#### Relativistic Corrections to the Growth of Structure in Modified Gravity

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#### Outline

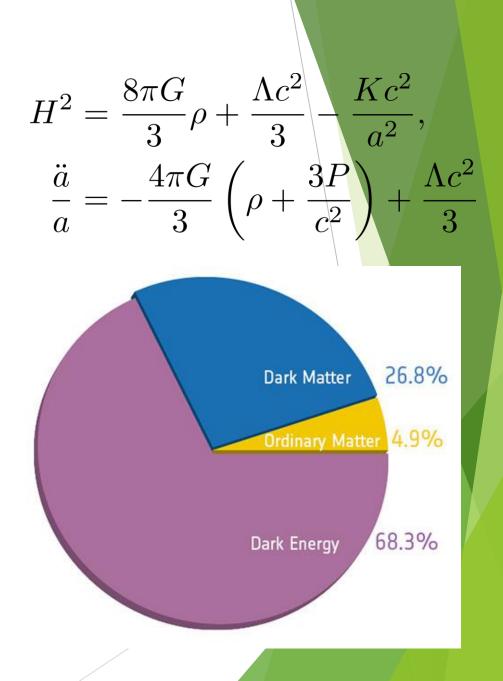
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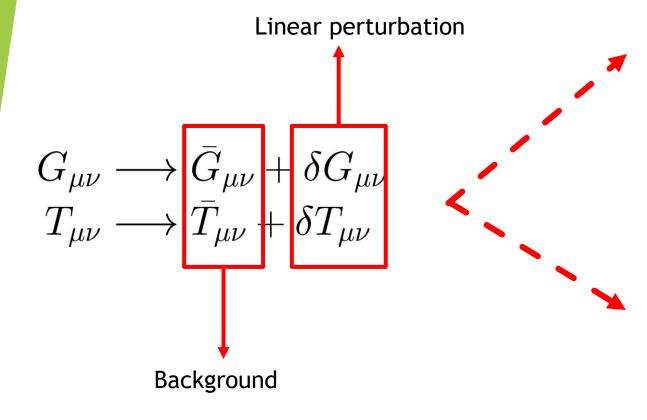
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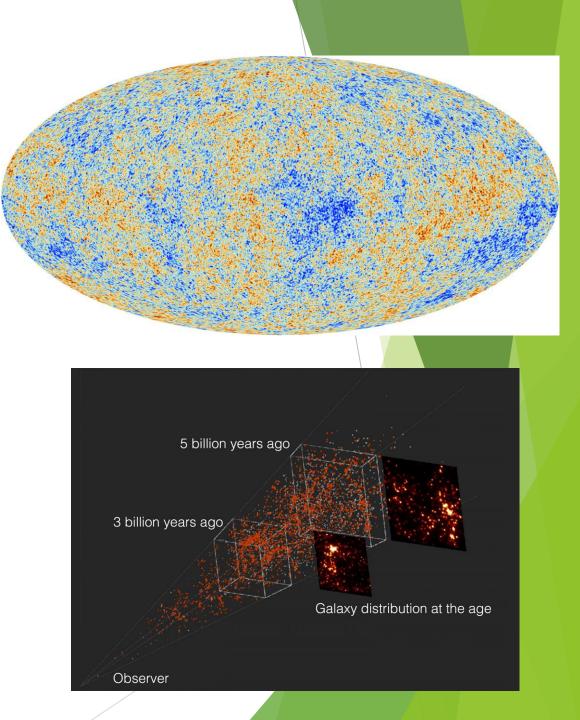
$$\mathrm{d}s^2 = -\mathrm{d}t^2 + a^2(t)\delta_{ij}\mathrm{d}x^i\mathrm{d}x^j$$

$$T_{\mu\nu} = \left(\rho + \frac{P}{c^2}\right) u_{\mu}u_{\nu} + Pg_{\mu\nu}$$





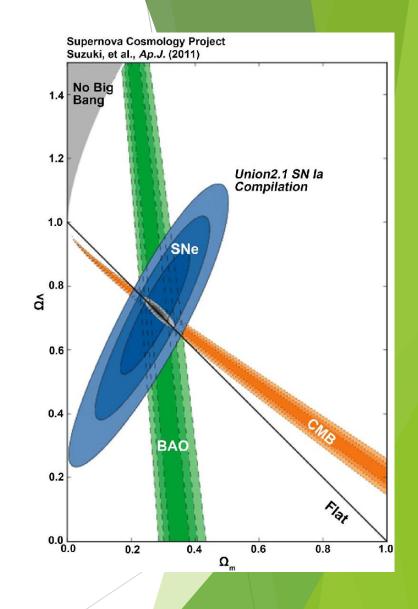


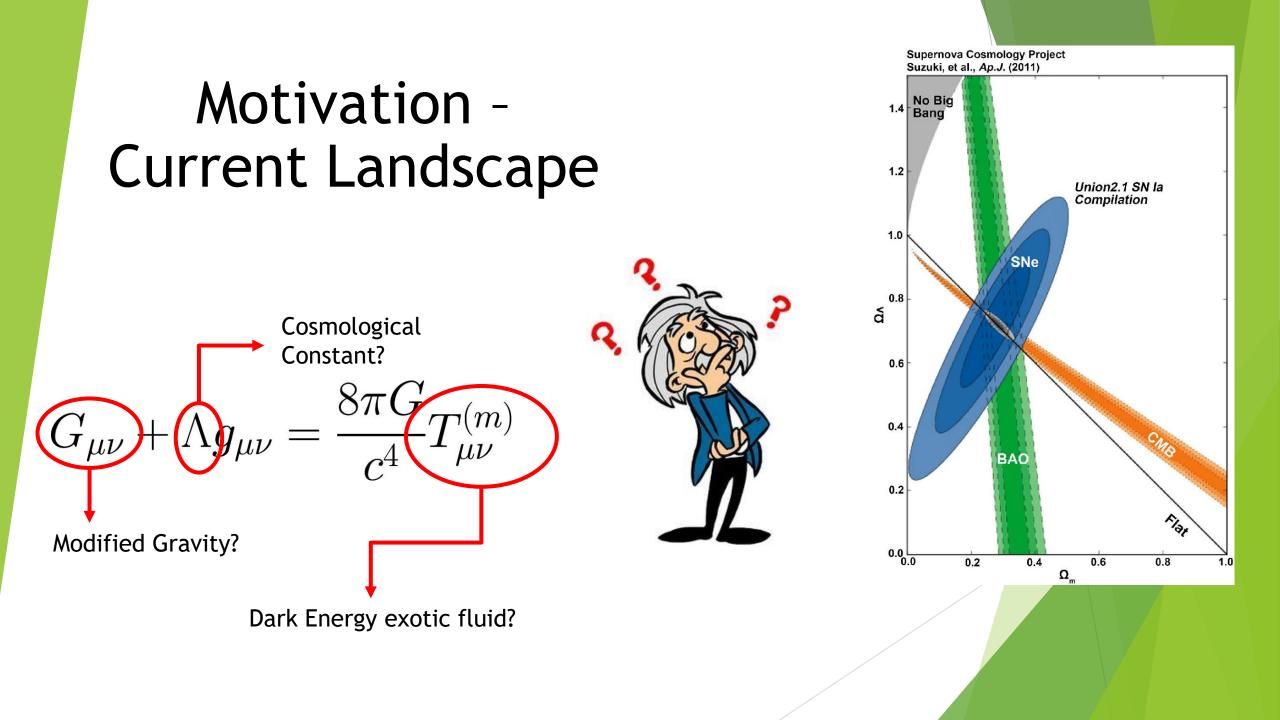


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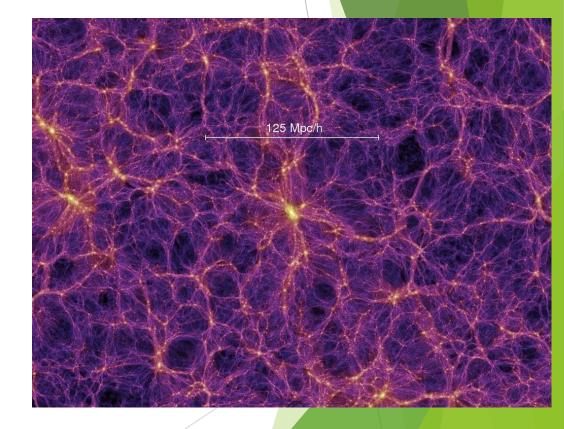




Cold Dark Matter simulations:

- Most codes that simulate the structure growth are Newtonian.
- Good approximation for late times and sub-horizon scales.
- System of equations:

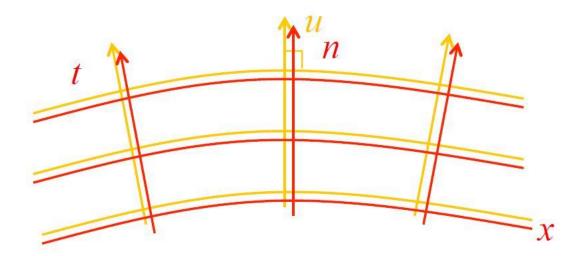
$$\nabla^2 \Phi_{\rm N} = 4\pi G_N a^2 \delta \rho_m,$$
$$\ddot{\mathbf{x}} + 2H \dot{\mathbf{x}} = -\nabla \Phi.$$

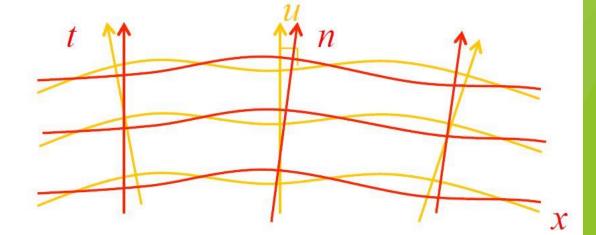


Millennium simulation

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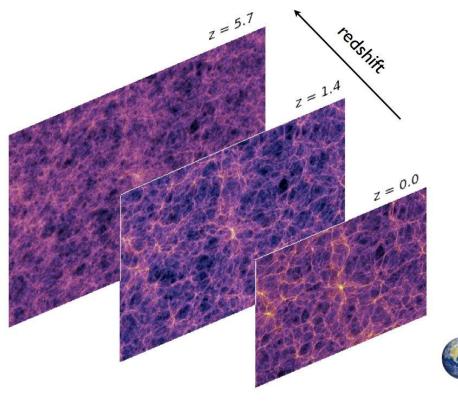




FLRW Cosmology Background Inhomogeneous perturbed cosmology Arbitrary gauge

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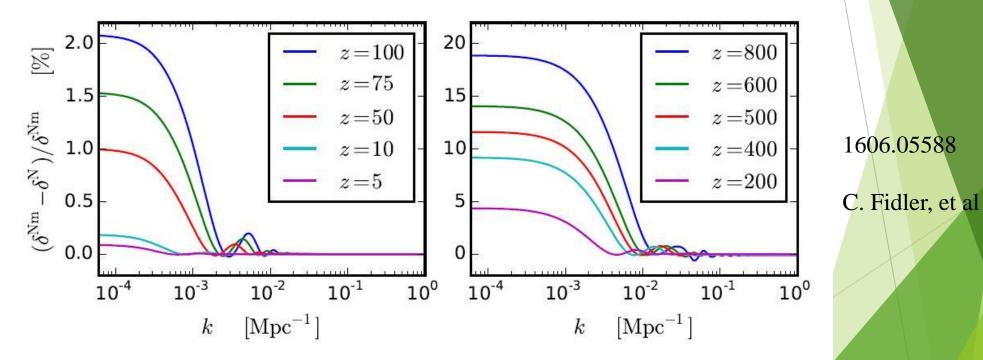
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- Unavoidable tension in setting Initial Conditions:
- 1. We aim to minimize non-linear corrections at early stages. Initiate simulations at higher redshifts
- 2. At higher redshifts, the bigger the relativistic effects of photons, neutrinos are, as well as more relativistic space-time itself is.

How/When should we initiate our simulations? 2.



Relative difference, in %, between the relativistic  $\delta^{Nm}$  and Newtonian  $\delta^{N}$ , for a simulation initiated at different redshifts.

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- 3. How to produce mock catalogues from simulations including GR effects?
- Astronomical observations are almost exclusivel based on electromagnetic signals.
- How to reconstruct the photon path backwards in time if we don't know the gauge in Newtonian simulations?



https://scitechdaily.com/researchers-try-to-weigh-the-universe-find-standard-model-ofcosmology-may-be-wrong/

Simulations:

- The problems presented so far share the same roots: relativistic effects and the gauge problem.
- In this talk we will present "natural embeddings" for the initial condition and space-time that have a direct relation to Newtonian simulations.

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Perturbed FLRW metric in arbitrary gauge

$$T^{0}_{\ 0} = -\sum_{\alpha} (\rho_{\alpha} + \delta \rho_{\alpha}) = -\sum_{\alpha} \rho_{\alpha} (1 + \delta_{\alpha}) \equiv -\rho (1 + \delta) ,$$
  

$$T^{i}_{\ 0} = \sum_{\alpha} (\rho_{\alpha} + p_{\alpha}) i\hat{k}^{i} v_{\alpha} \equiv (\rho + p) i\hat{k}^{i} v ,$$
  

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Matter energy-momentum tensor

• Putting them together: Einstein's Equations

$$4\pi Ga^{2} \left[\bar{\rho}\delta + 3\mathcal{H} \left(\bar{\rho} + \bar{p}\right) k^{-1} \left(v - B\right)\right] = k^{2} \Phi,$$

$$k^{2} \left(A + H_{\mathrm{L}} + \frac{1}{3} H_{\mathrm{T}}\right) - \left[\partial_{\tau} + 2\mathcal{H}\right] \left(\dot{H}_{\mathrm{T}} - kB\right) = -12\pi Ga^{2} \left(\bar{\rho} + \bar{p}\right) \sigma,$$

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• Continuity and Euler equations:

Relativistic

$$\dot{\delta}_m + k v_m = -3\dot{H}_{\rm L},$$
$$\left[\partial_\tau + \mathcal{H}\right] v_m = -k\left(\Phi + \gamma\right)$$

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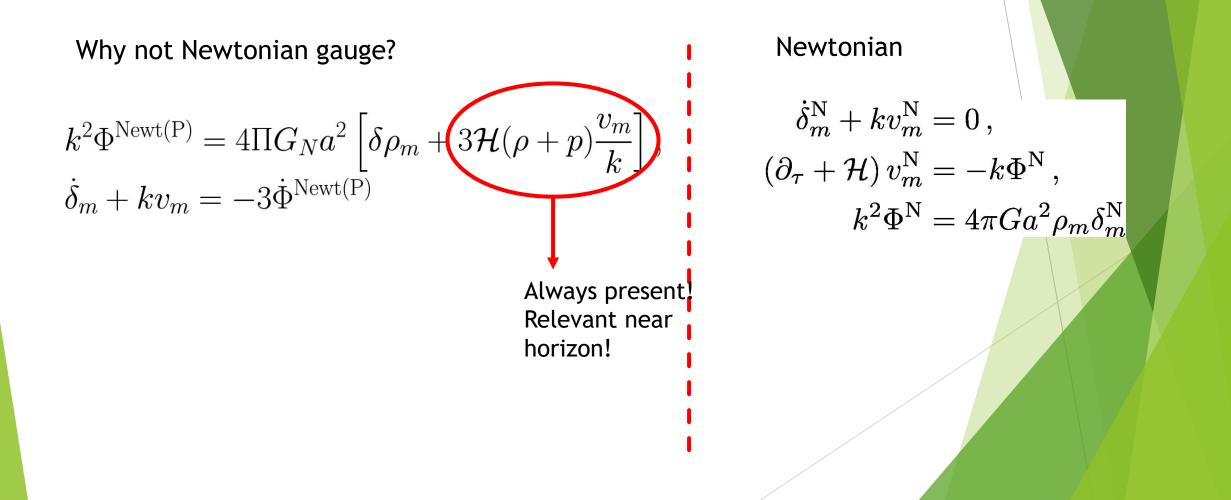
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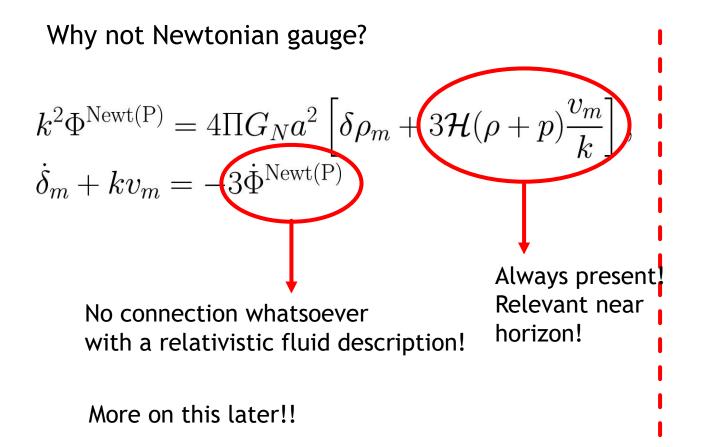
Why not Newtonian gauge?

$$k^{2}\Phi^{\text{Newt}(\mathbf{P})} = 4\Pi G_{N}a^{2} \left[\delta\rho_{m} + 3\mathcal{H}(\rho+p)\frac{v_{m}}{k}\right],$$
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A bit trickier to be 0, let's take a closer look. Sufficiently late times

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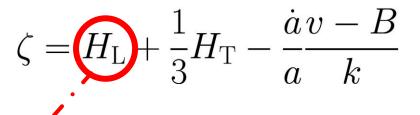
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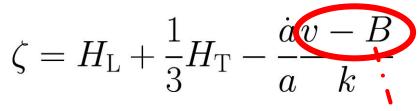
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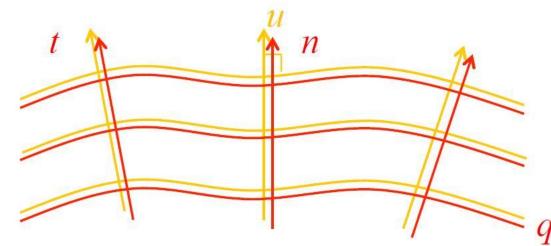
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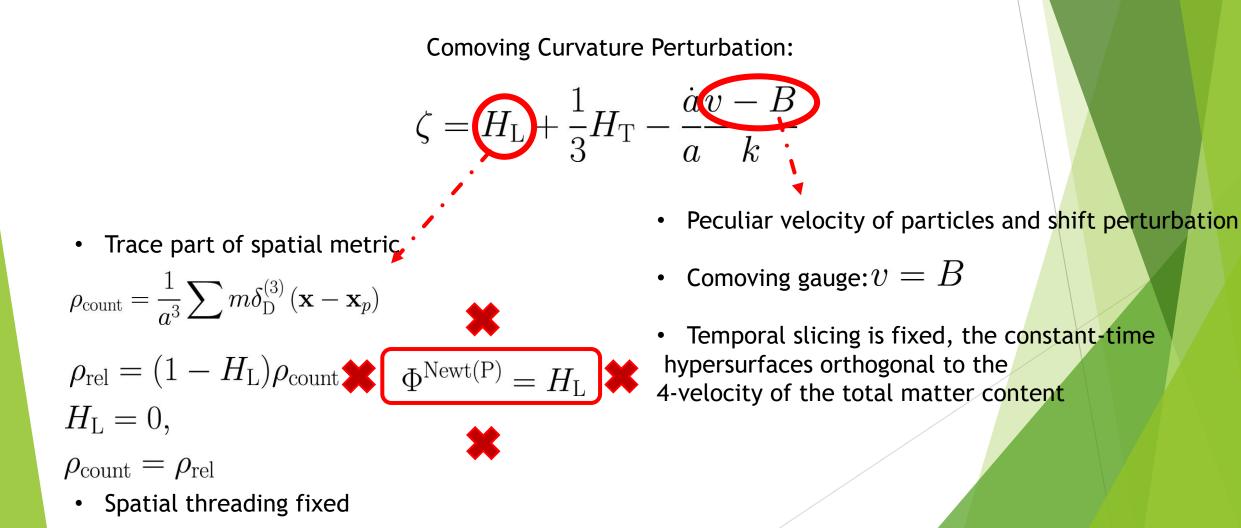
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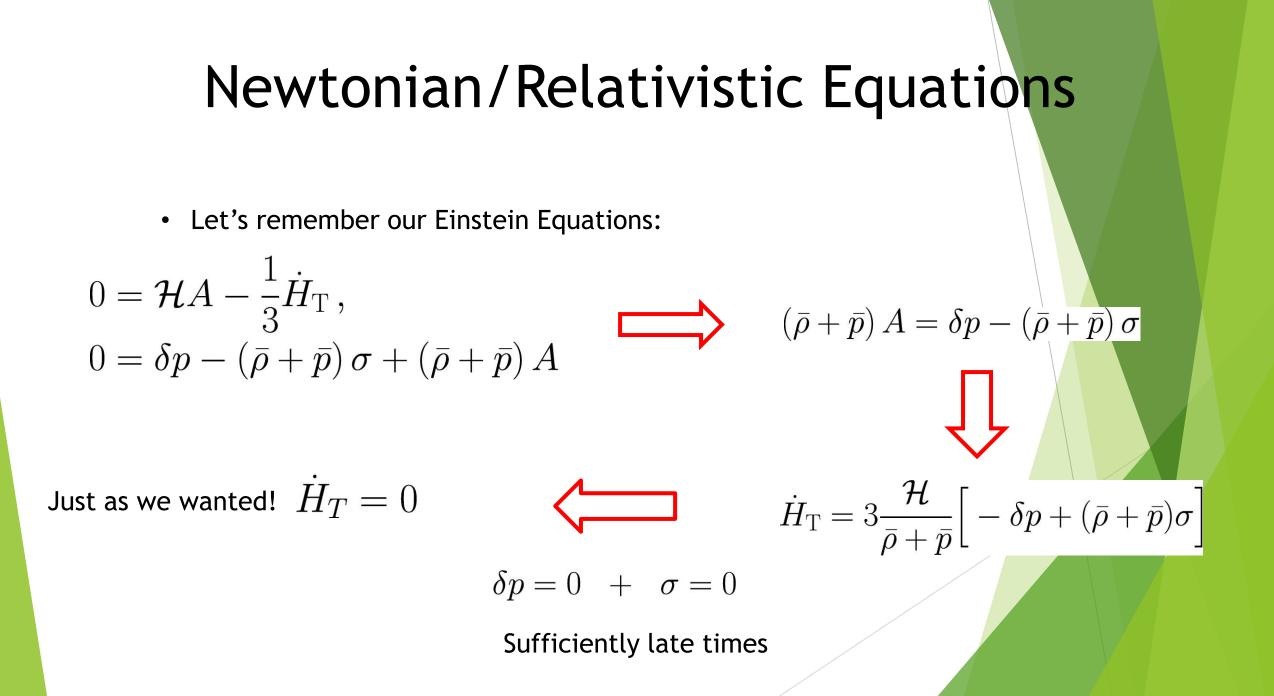
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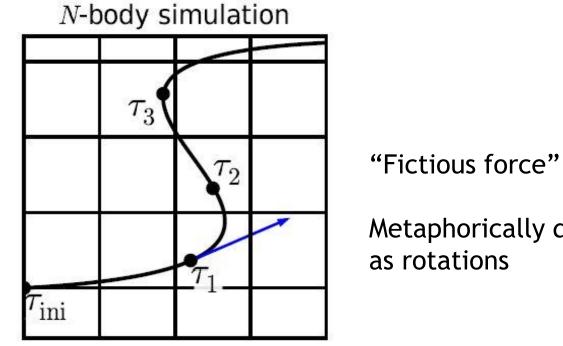
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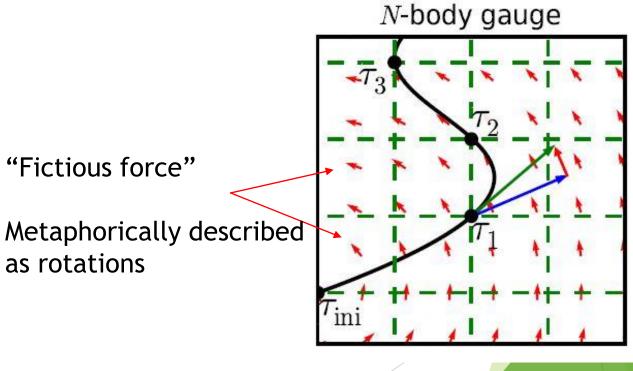
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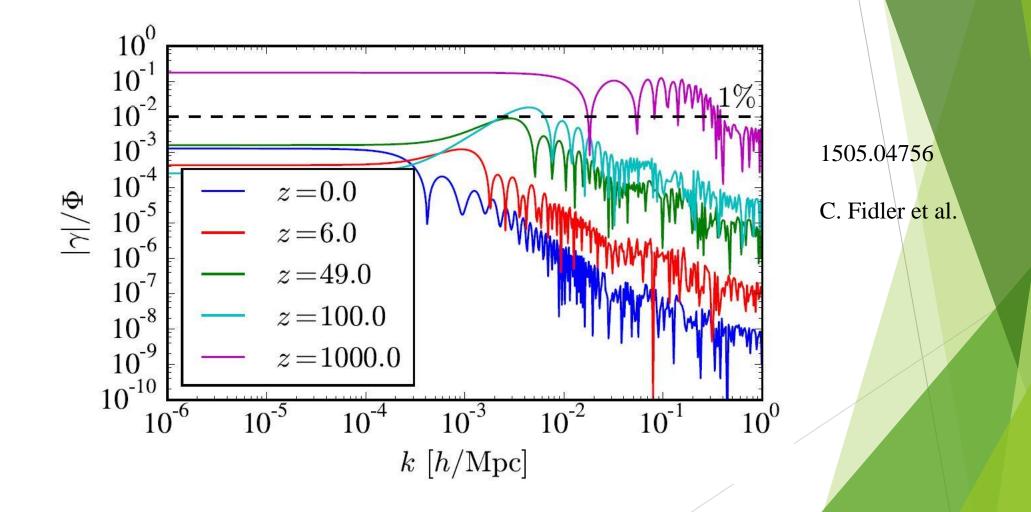
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- Our goal is to consistently introduce dark energy perturbations coming • from Horndeski theory.
- Our basic assumptions: •
- 1. Bianchi identities hold
- 2. Conservation of Energy Momentum tensor
- Matter species interact only gravitationally with the DE scalar field! ٠

$$G_{\mu
u} = 8\pi G \left( T_{\mu
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Effective Energy Momentum Tensor: absorbs all contributions coming from modified gravity.

• Horndeski Action:

$$S[g_{\mu\nu},\phi] = \int \mathrm{d}^4x \,\sqrt{-g} \left[\sum_{i=2}^5 \frac{1}{8\pi G} \mathcal{L}_i[g_{\mu\nu},\phi] + \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{m}}[g_{\mu\nu},\psi_M]\right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{2} &= G_{2}(\phi, X) \,, \\ \mathcal{L}_{3} &= -G_{3}(\phi, X) \Box \phi \,, \\ \mathcal{L}_{4} &= G_{4}(\phi, X) R + G_{4X}(\phi, X) \left[ (\Box \phi)^{2} - \phi_{;\mu\nu} \phi^{;\mu\nu} \right] \,, \\ \mathcal{L}_{5} &= G_{5}(\phi, X) G_{\mu\nu} \phi^{;\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{6} G_{5X}(\phi, X) \left[ (\Box \phi)^{3} + 2\phi_{;\mu}{}^{\nu} \phi_{;\nu}{}^{\alpha} \phi_{;\alpha}{}^{\mu} - 3\phi_{;\mu\nu} \phi^{;\mu\nu} \Box \phi \right] \end{aligned}$$

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Dark Energy background  
Density and pressure!

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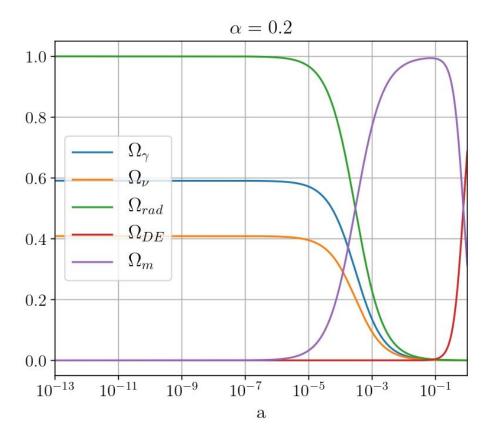
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- Linear perturbation theory: subtract the contributions coming from the perturbed Einstein Tensor
- Synchronous gauge:  $\begin{aligned} k^{2}\eta - \frac{1}{2a}\dot{a}\dot{h} &= 4\pi Ga^{2}\delta\rho_{m} + 4\pi Ga^{2}\delta\rho_{DE}, \\ k^{2}\dot{\eta} &= 4\pi Ga^{2}\left(\bar{\rho} + \bar{p}\right)\theta_{m} + 4\pi Ga^{2}\left(\bar{\rho}_{DE} + \bar{p}_{DE}\right)\theta_{DE}, \\ \ddot{h} + 2\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\dot{h} - 2k^{2}\eta &= -8\pi Ga^{2}\delta p_{m} - 8\pi Ga^{2}\delta p_{DE}, \\ \ddot{h} + 6\ddot{\eta} + 2\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\left(\dot{h} + 6\dot{\eta}\right) - 2k^{2}\eta &= -24\pi Ga^{2}\left(\bar{\rho} + \bar{p}\right)\sigma_{m} - 24\pi Ga^{2}\left(\bar{\rho}_{DE} + \bar{p}_{DE}\right)\sigma_{DE}. \end{aligned}$

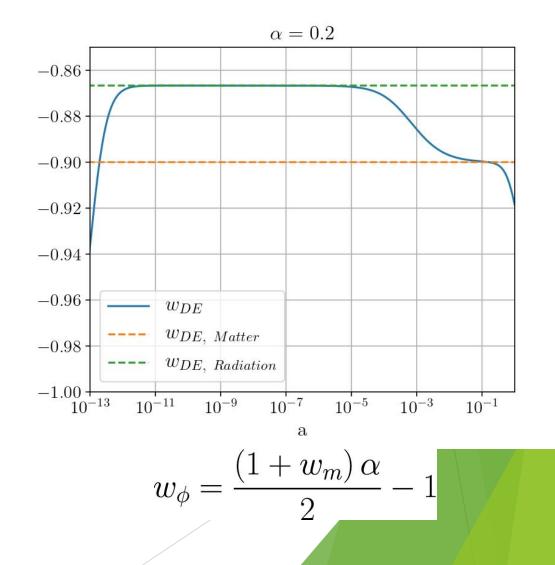
• We now have all we need to consistently introduce the effects coming from DE perturbations!

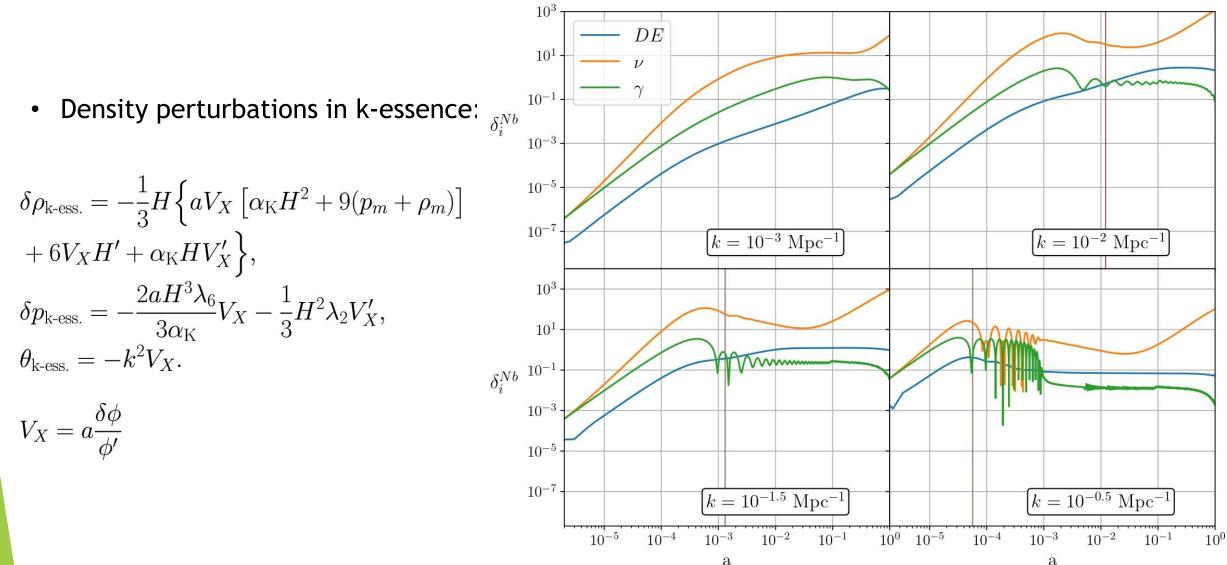
- As an example, we will demonstrate the effect of relativistic species (photons, massive/massless neutrinos and DE) in the matter power spectrum.
- K-essence model:

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} R + p(\phi, X) \right] + S_M,$$
$$p(\phi, X) = \frac{V_0}{\phi^{\alpha}} \left( -X + X^2 \right)$$



Massless neutrinos background

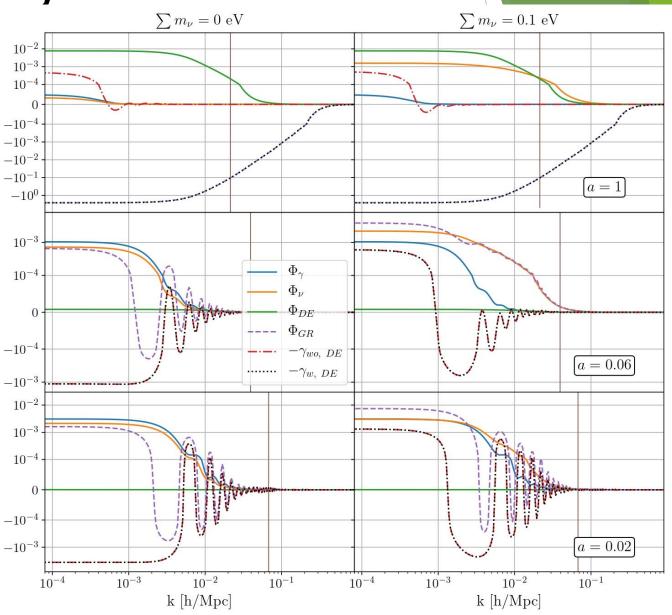


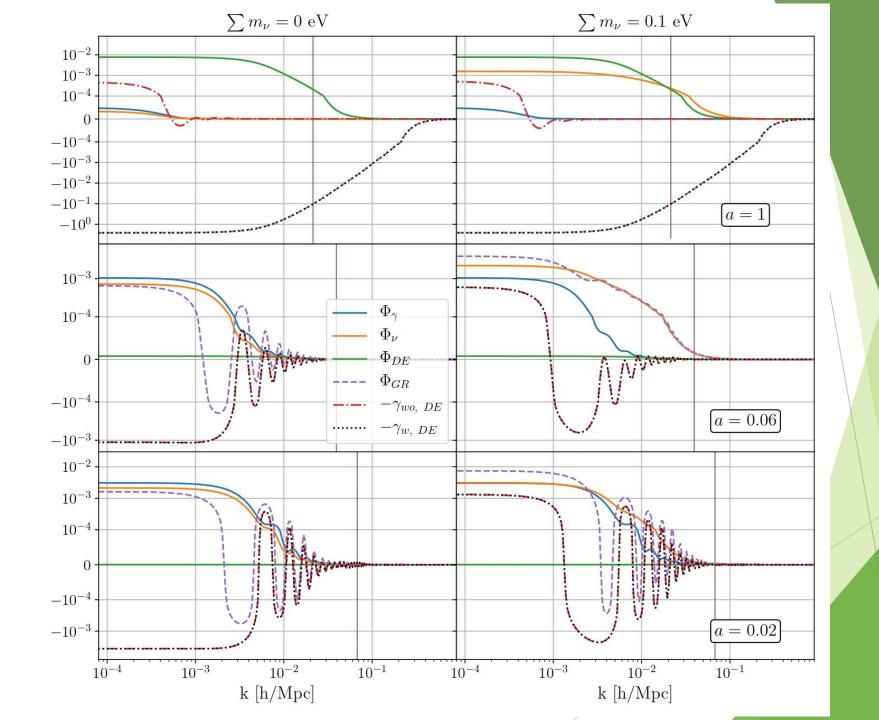


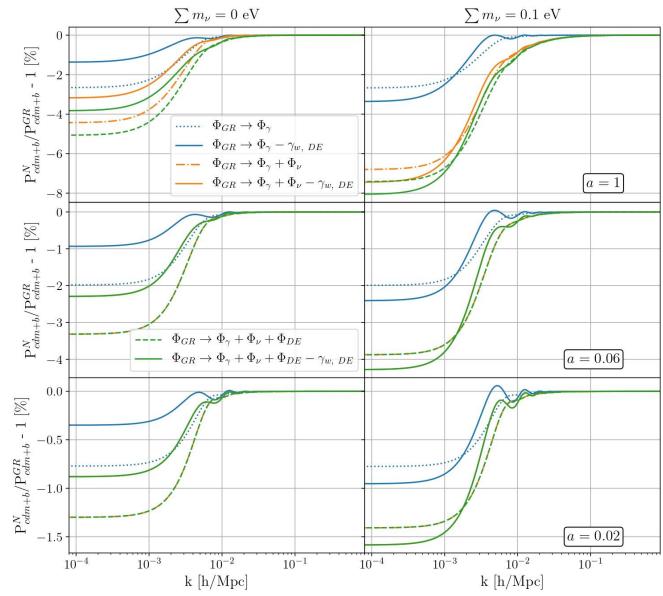
• "Potential" for each relativistic spec

 $k^2 \Phi_lpha = 4\pi G a^2 \delta 
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m Nb}$ 

$$k^2 \gamma = -(\partial_\tau + \mathcal{H})\dot{H}_T + 12\pi G a^2 \left(\bar{\rho} + \bar{p}\right)\sigma.$$







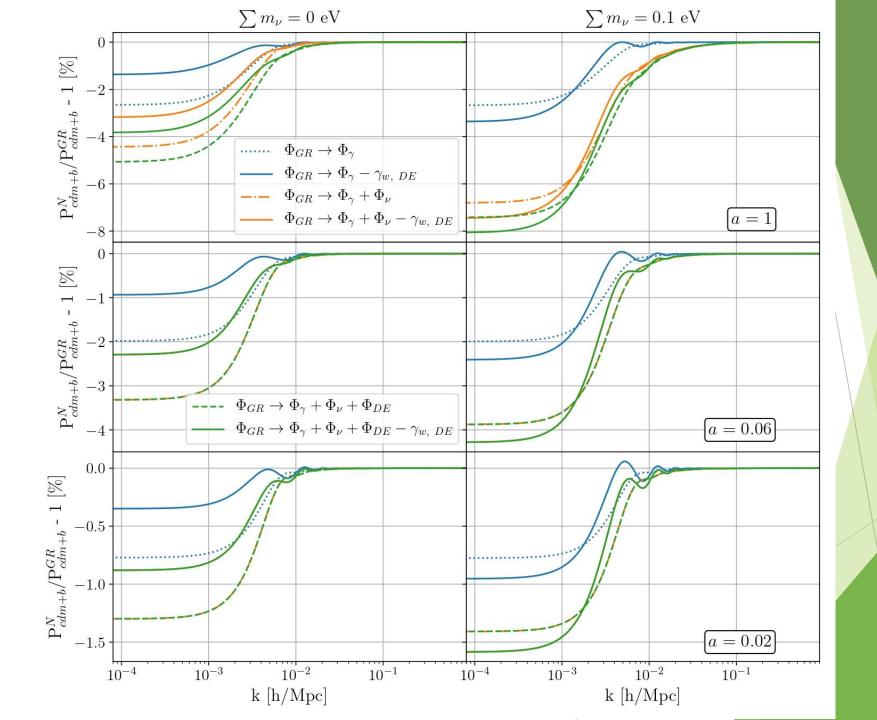
• Matter power spectrum:

• *P*<sup>*GR*</sup> solution of:

 $\ddot{\delta}^{\rm Nb}m + \mathcal{H}\dot{\delta}_m^{\rm Nb} - 4\pi G a^2 \rho_m \delta_m^{\rm Nb} = 4\pi G a^2 \delta \rho_{\rm GR}$ 

•  $P^N$  solution of:

 $\ddot{\delta}_m + \mathcal{H}\dot{\delta}_m - 4\pi G a^2 \rho_m \delta_m = 0$ 



• Gauge considerations:

1. The comoving synchronous gauge used in hi\_class, as well as the comoving gauge temporal slicing, break down at non-linear scales.

 In 1810.10835 a variant of the N-Body gauge was introduced, in which the spatial threading is the same as the N-Body gauge, but the temporal slicing is the same as the Poisson gauge. This choice of coordinates is called N-boisson gauge.

$$kB = H_T$$

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Matter density pertons

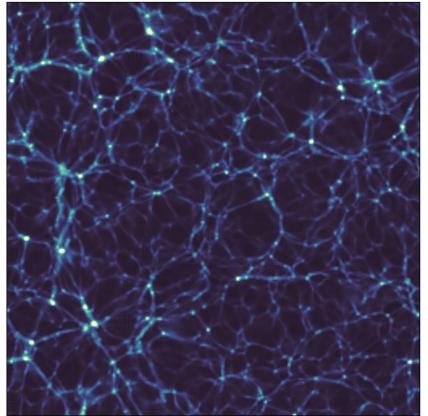
Matter density perturbations feed scalar perturbations already at linear order!

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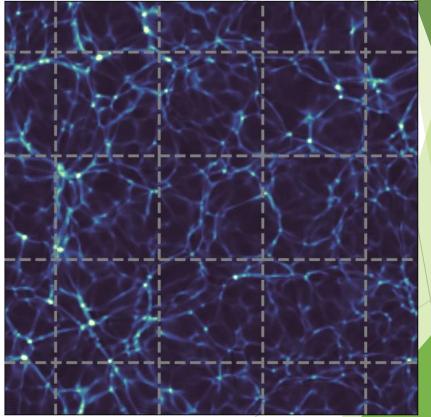
3. We're currently implementing on hi\_class the general case of Horndeski theories, and with this we can add consistency checks, that can flag out density perturbations too small.

4. Irrespective of the "smallness" of the density perturbation in MG, we must have a concrete desctription of these theories in the mildly non-linear scales.
In order to do so, one must then rely on the Quasi-static Approximation (QSA) and in an accurate screening mechanism (model dependent).
This is already implemented in approximate methods, such as COLA.

Traditional simulation



Simulation using sCOLA



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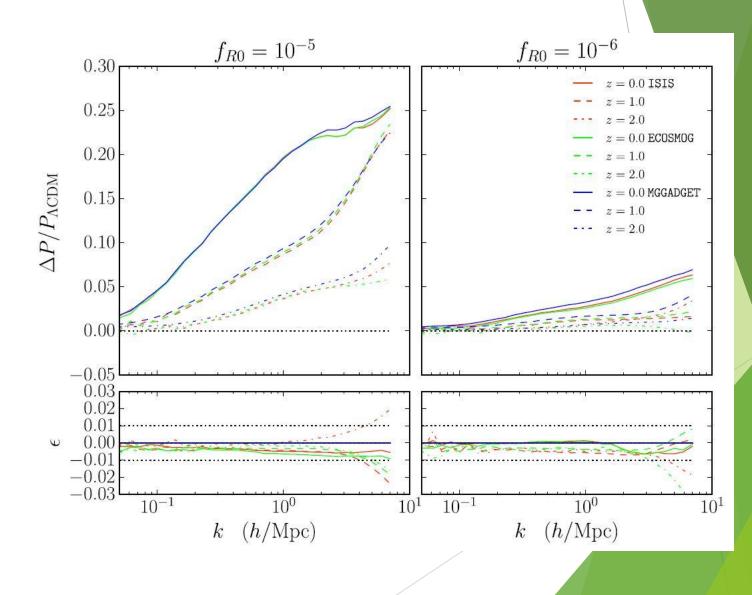
# Way forward

• Implement the general case in hi\_class



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• Go to non-linear scales



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• Investigate relativistic effects on Modified Gravity simulations

# Obrigado!