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(Late-time) ‘Solutions’ to H_0 and S_8 Tensions through Modified-Gravity

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- The **history** of **Astronomy, Cosmology** and **Gravity** is a **history of tensions** between **theoretical predictions** and **observations**
- **Astrophysical cosmology** has become a precision science with an **incredibly huge amount of data**
- New Tensions appear.
Are we approaching New Physics?

Aristotle - 350 BC

- According to Aristotle heavier bodies fall faster.
- Bodies fall in order to com back to thei “initial state”.

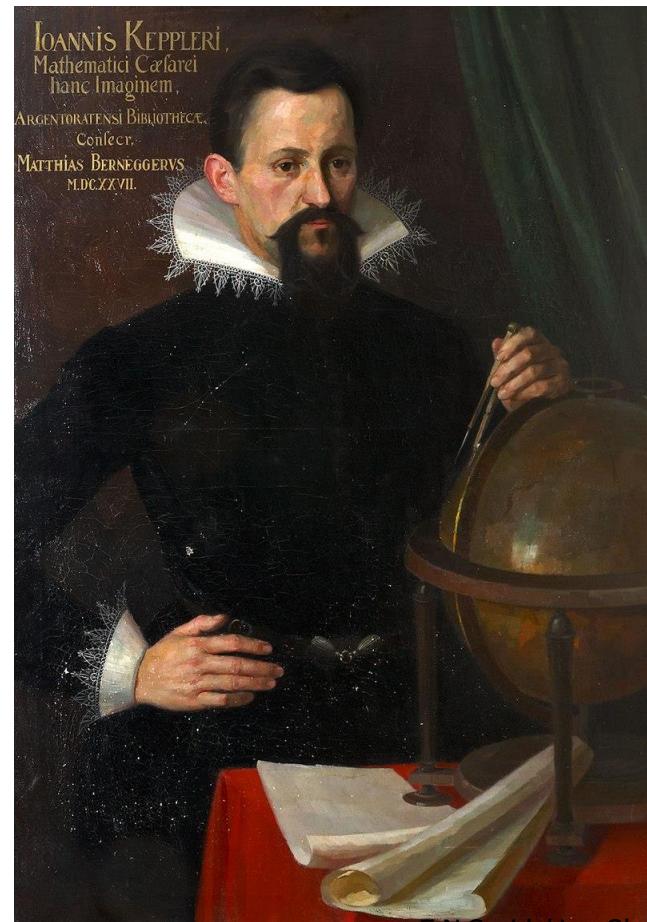
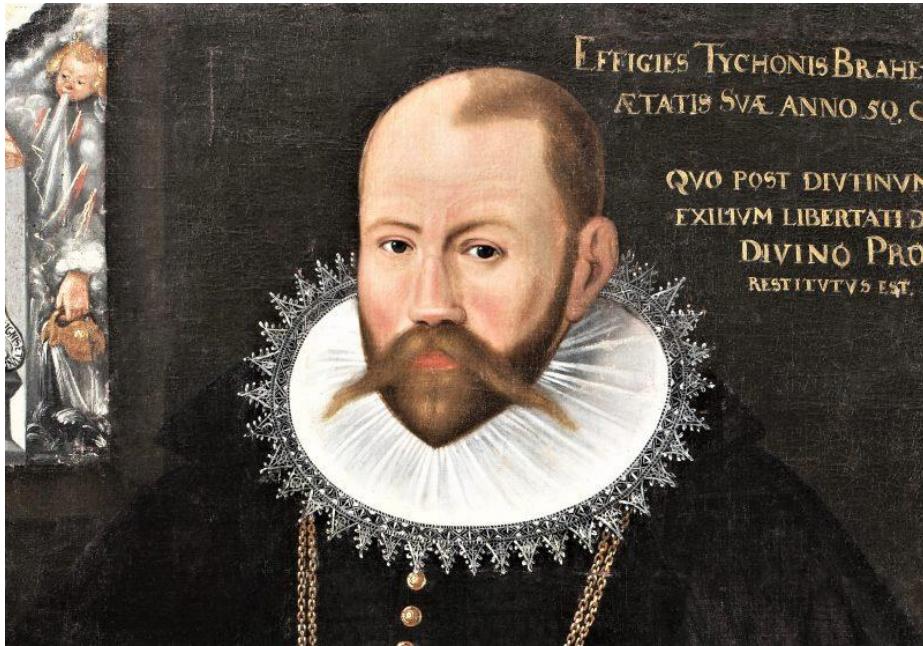


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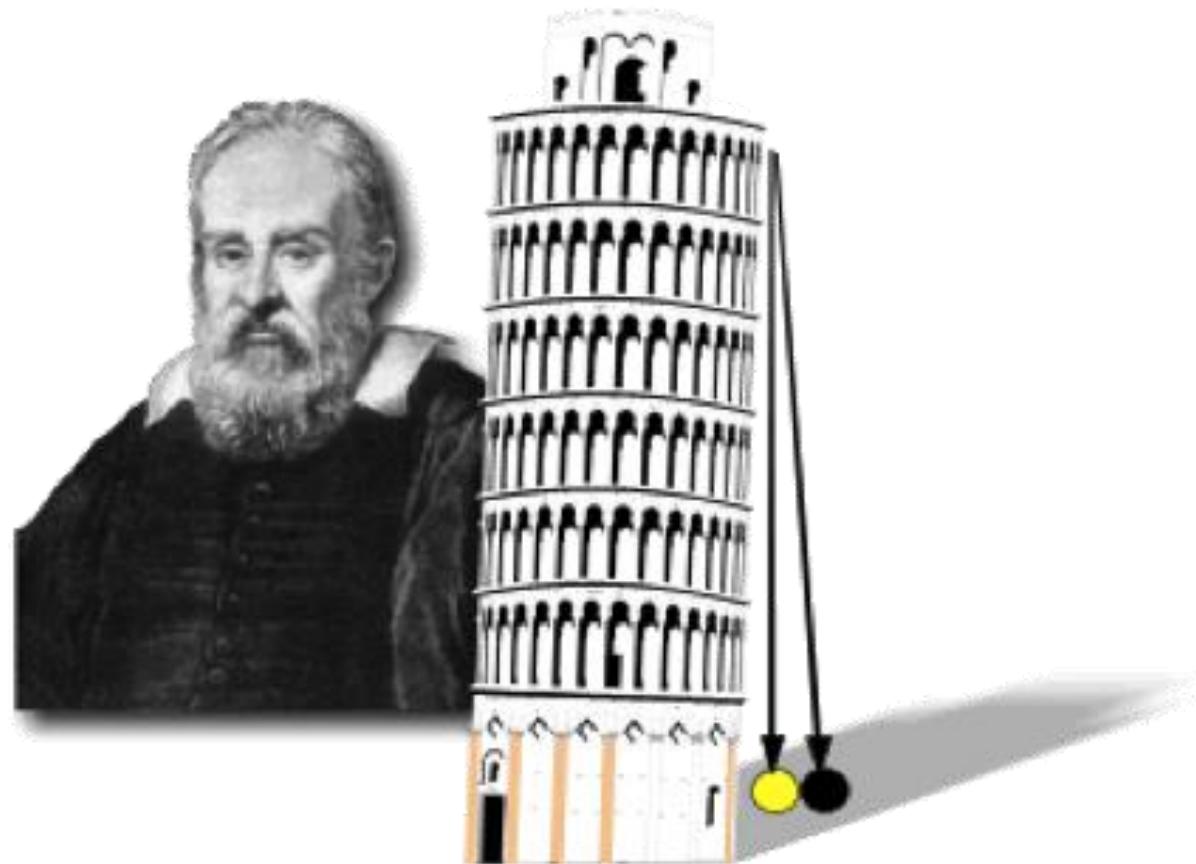
Brahe, Kepler- 1600

- Heliocentrism, elliptical Orbits



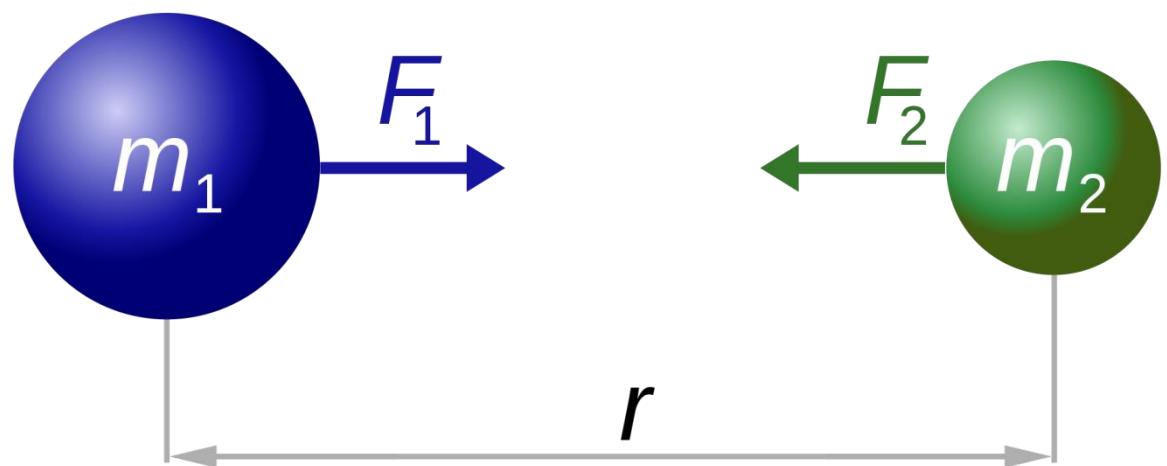
Galileo - 1600

- Bodies fall with the same speed, **independently** from their **weight**.



Newton - 1700

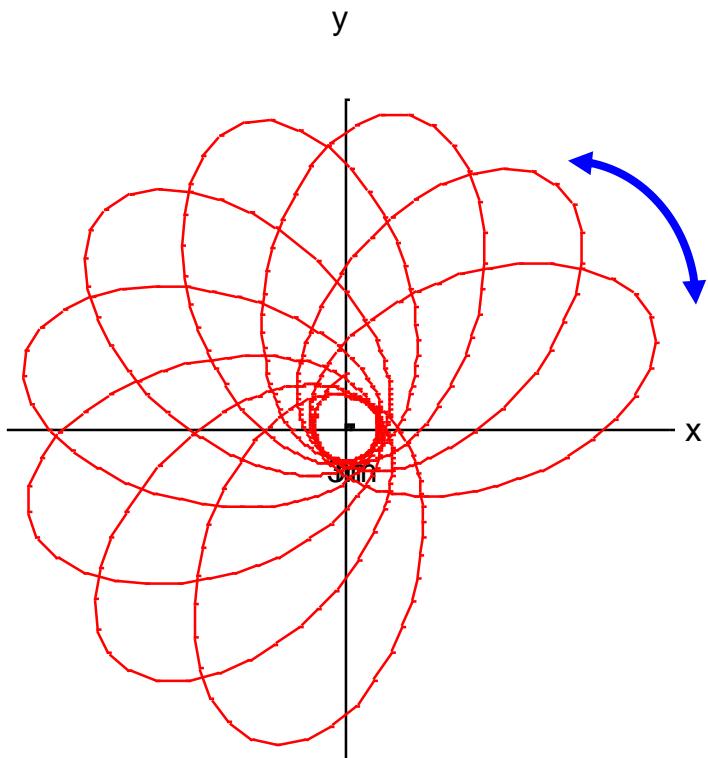
- Law of Universal Gravitation:
All bodies (either apples or planets) **attract mutually**.
First time that **gravity is related to astronomy**



$$F_1 = F_2 = G \frac{m_1 \times m_2}{r^2}$$

Mercury periliheimum - 1859

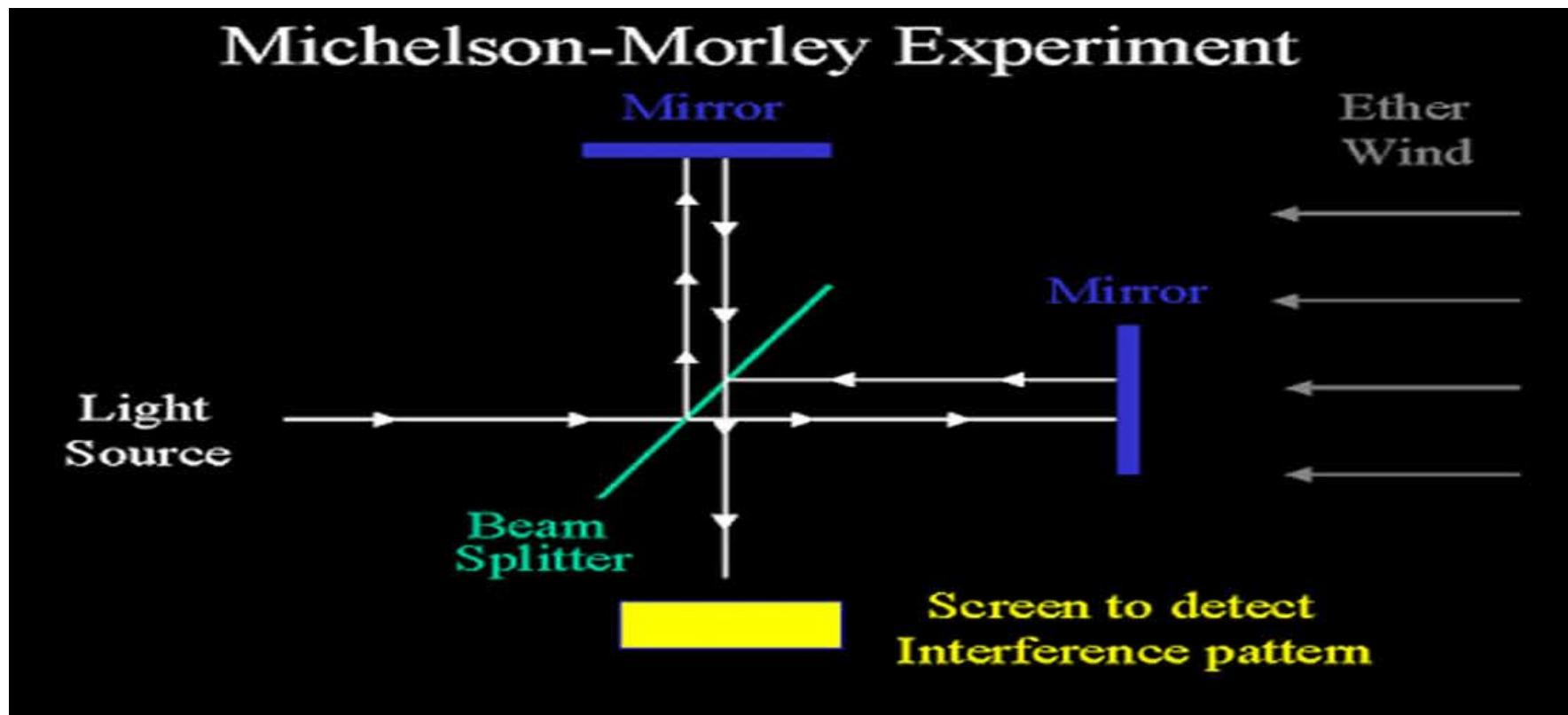
- *The true orbits of planets, even if seen from the SUN are not ellipses. They are rather curves of this type:*



This angle is the perihelion advance, predicted by G.R.

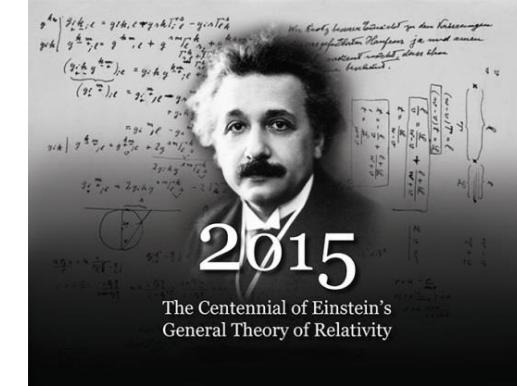
For the planet Mercury it is
 $\Delta\phi = 43'' \text{ of arc per century}$

Michelson–Morley experiment - 1887



General Relativity

- Einstein 1915: General Relativity:



energy-momentum source of spacetime Curvature

$$S = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [R - 2\Lambda] + \int d^4x L_m(g_{\mu\nu}, \psi)$$

$$\Rightarrow R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} R + g_{\mu\nu} \Lambda = 8\pi G T_{\mu\nu}$$

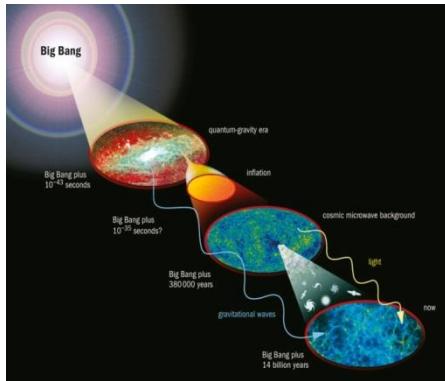
with $T^{\mu\nu} \equiv \frac{2}{\sqrt{-g}} \frac{\delta L_m}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}}$

Modified Gravity before General Relativity

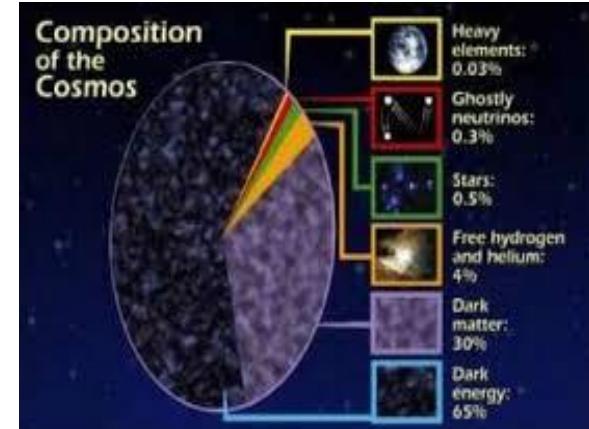
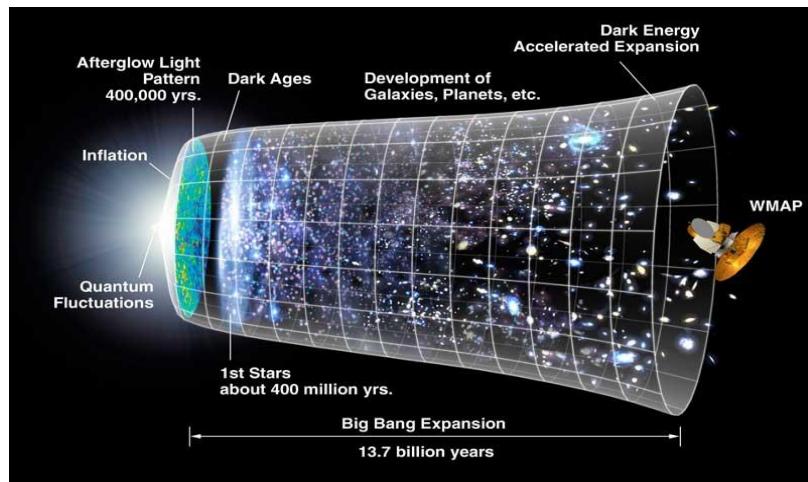
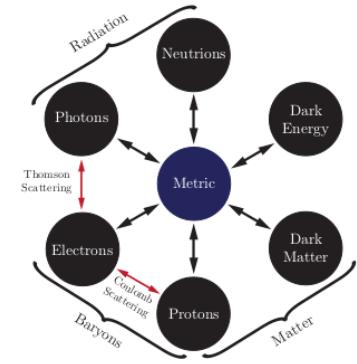
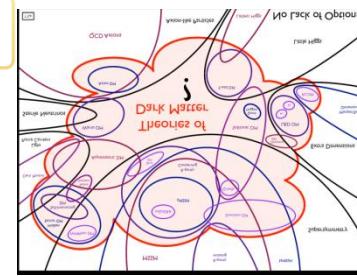
- Modifications to **Newton's Law**
- **Inverse Cube Law.**
- **Extended Inverse-Square Law** (Simon Newcomb -1880's)
- **Lord Kelvin** - theory of everything (end of 19th century)
- **Hendrik Lorentz**: gravity on the basis of his ether theory and Maxwell's equations. (1900)
- **Nordström's theory of gravitation** (1912 and 1913)
- **Einstein's scalar theory of gravity** (1913)

Summary of 20th century Observations

The Universe history:



	mass	charge	spin	symbol	name
QUARKS					
up	$\approx 2.3 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$2/3$	$1/2$	u	up
charm	$\approx 1.275 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	$2/3$	$1/2$	c	charm
top	$\approx 173.07 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	$2/3$	$1/2$	t	top
down	$\approx 4.8 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$-1/3$	$1/2$	d	down
strange	$\approx 95 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$-1/3$	$1/2$	s	strange
bottom	$\approx 105.7 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	-1	$1/2$	b	bottom
LEPTONS					
electron	$\approx 0.511 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	-1	$1/2$	e	electron
muon	$\approx 105.7 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	-1	$1/2$	μ	muon
tau	$\approx 1.777 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	-1	$1/2$	τ	tau
electron neutrino	$\approx 0.17 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	0	$1/2$	ν_e	electron neutrino
muon neutrino	$\approx 15.5 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	0	$1/2$	ν_μ	muon neutrino
tau neutrino	$\approx 80.4 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	0	1	ν_τ	tau neutrino
Gauge Bosons					
gluon	$\approx 120 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	0	1	g	gluon
Higgs boson	$\approx 120 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	0	0	H	Higgs boson
Z boson	$\approx 91.2 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	0	1	Z	Z boson
W boson	$\approx 80.4 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	1	1	W	W boson



Standard Model of Cosmology

Λ CDM Paradigm + Inflation

$$H(t)^2 + \frac{k}{a(t)^2} = \frac{8\pi G}{3} [\rho_{dm}(t) + \rho_b(t) + \rho_r(t)] + \frac{\Lambda}{3}$$

$$w_\Lambda \equiv \frac{p_\Lambda}{\rho_\Lambda} = -1$$

$$\dot{H}(t) - \frac{k}{a(t)^2} = -4\pi G [\rho_{dm}(t) + p_{dm}(t) + \rho_b(t) + p_b(t) + \rho_r(t) + p_r(t)]$$

Λ CDM concordance model is almost perfect!

- Describes the thermal history of the Universe at the background level
- Epochs of inflation, radiation, matter, late-time acceleration

Cosmology-background

- Homogeneity and isotropy: $ds^2 = -dt^2 + a^2(t) \left(\frac{dr^2}{1-kr^2} + r^2 d\Omega^2 \right)$
- Background evolution (Friedmann equations) in flat space

$$H^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} (\rho_m + \rho_{DE})$$

$$\dot{H} = -4\pi G (\rho_m + p_m + \rho_{DE} + p_{DE}),$$

(the effective DE sector can be either Λ or any possible modification)

- One must obtain a $H(z)$ and $\Omega_m(z)$ and $w_{DE}(z)$ in agreement with observations (SNIa, BAO, CMB shift parameter, $H(z)$ etc)

Cosmology-perturbations

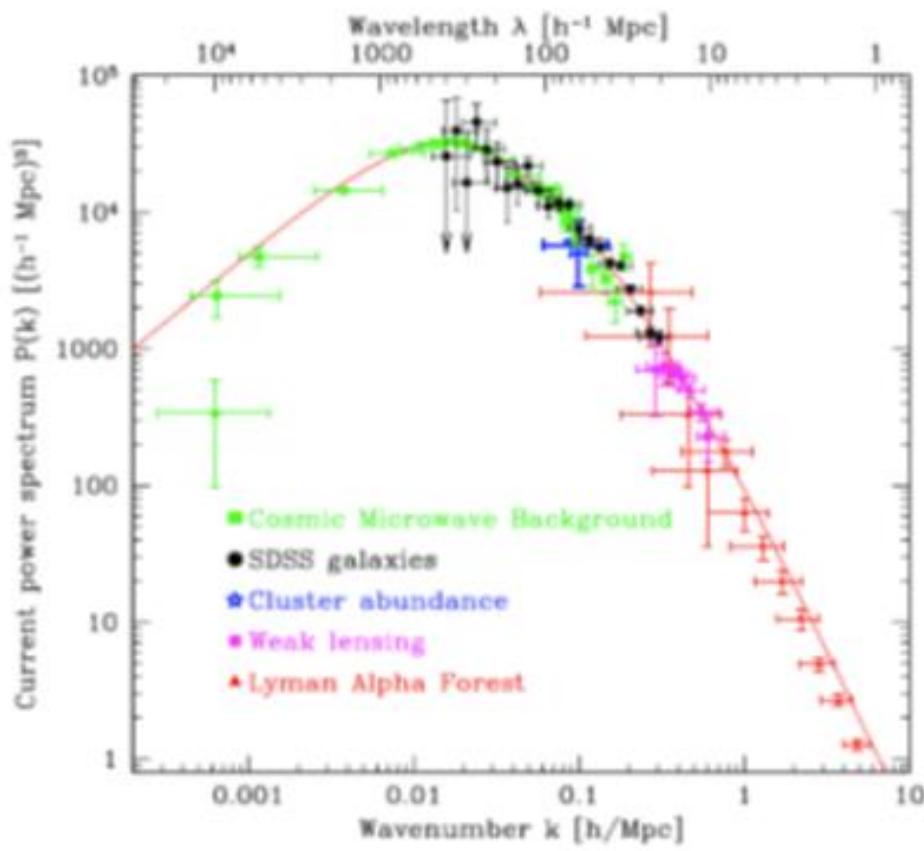
- Perturbation evolution: $\ddot{\delta} + 2H\dot{\delta} - 4\pi G_{\text{eff}} \rho \delta \approx 0$ where $\delta \equiv \delta\rho/\rho$
where $G_{\text{eff}}(z, k)$ is the effective Newton's constant, given by

$$\nabla^2 \phi \approx 4\pi G_{\text{eff}} \rho \delta$$

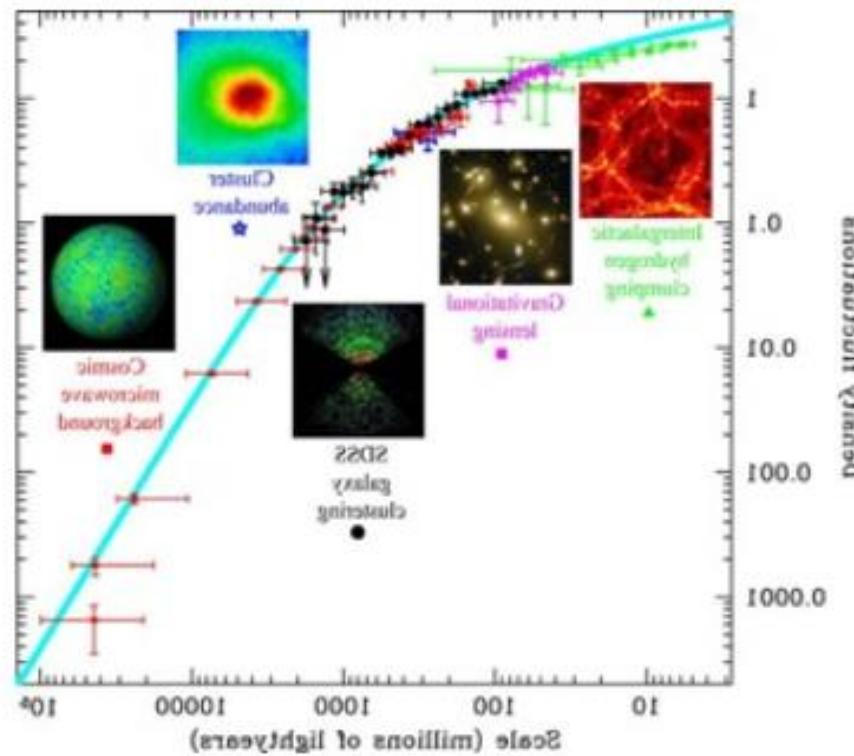
under the scalar metric perturbation $ds^2 = -(1 + 2\phi)dt^2 + a^2(1 - 2\psi)d\vec{x}^2$

- Hence: $\delta'' + \left(\frac{(H^2)'}{2H^2} - \frac{1}{1+z}\right)\delta' \approx \frac{3}{2}(1+z)\frac{H_0^2}{H^2}\frac{G_{\text{eff}}(z, k)}{G_N}\Omega_{0m}\delta$
with $f(a) = \frac{d\ln\delta}{d\ln a}$ the growth rate, with $f(a) = \Omega_m(a)^{\gamma(a)}$ and $\Omega_m(a) \equiv \frac{\Omega_{0m} a^{-3}}{H(a)^2/H_0^2}$
- One can define the observable: $f\sigma_8(a) \equiv f(a) \cdot \sigma(a) = \frac{\sigma_8}{\delta(1)} a \delta'(a)$
with $\sigma(a) = \sigma_8 \frac{\delta(a)}{\delta_1}$ the z-dependent rms fluctuations of the linear density field within spheres of radius $R = 8h^{-1}\text{Mpc}$, and σ_8 its value today.

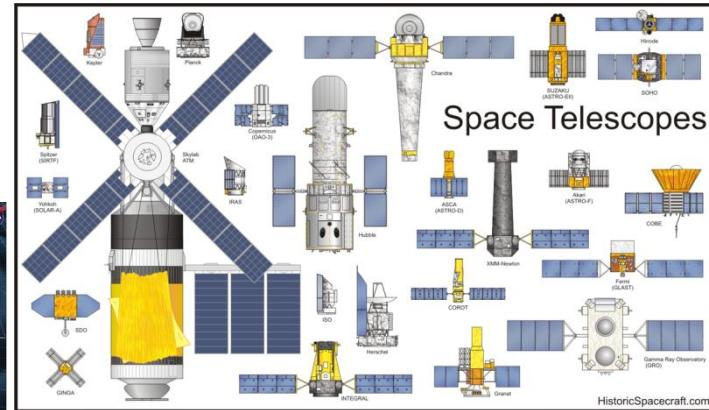
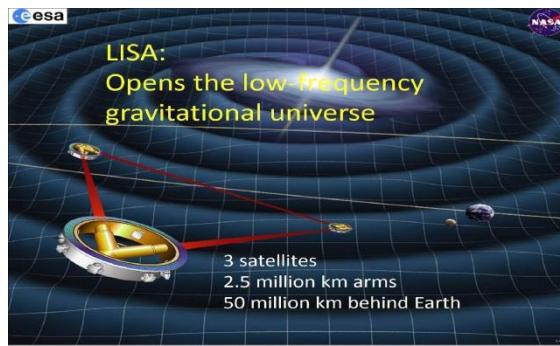
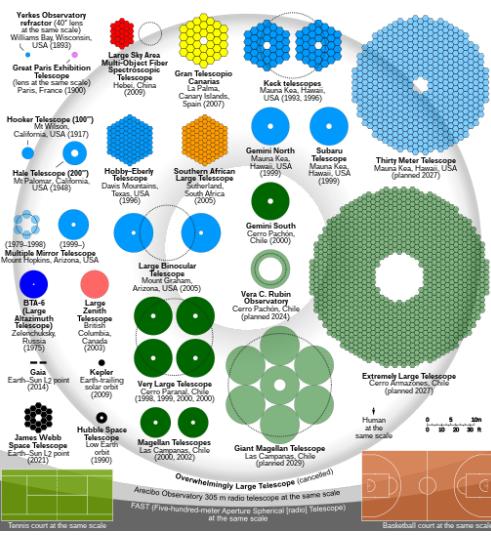
Matter Density Fluctuation Power Spectrum



A different convention:
plot $P(k)k^3$



Cosmology in the 21st century



Issues of Λ CDM Paradigm

- 1) General Relativity is non-renormalizable. It cannot get quantized.
- 2) The cosmological-constant problem.
- 3) How to describe primordial universe (inflation)
- 4) Physics of Dark Matter
- 5) A huge amount of accumulating data suggest possible tensions:

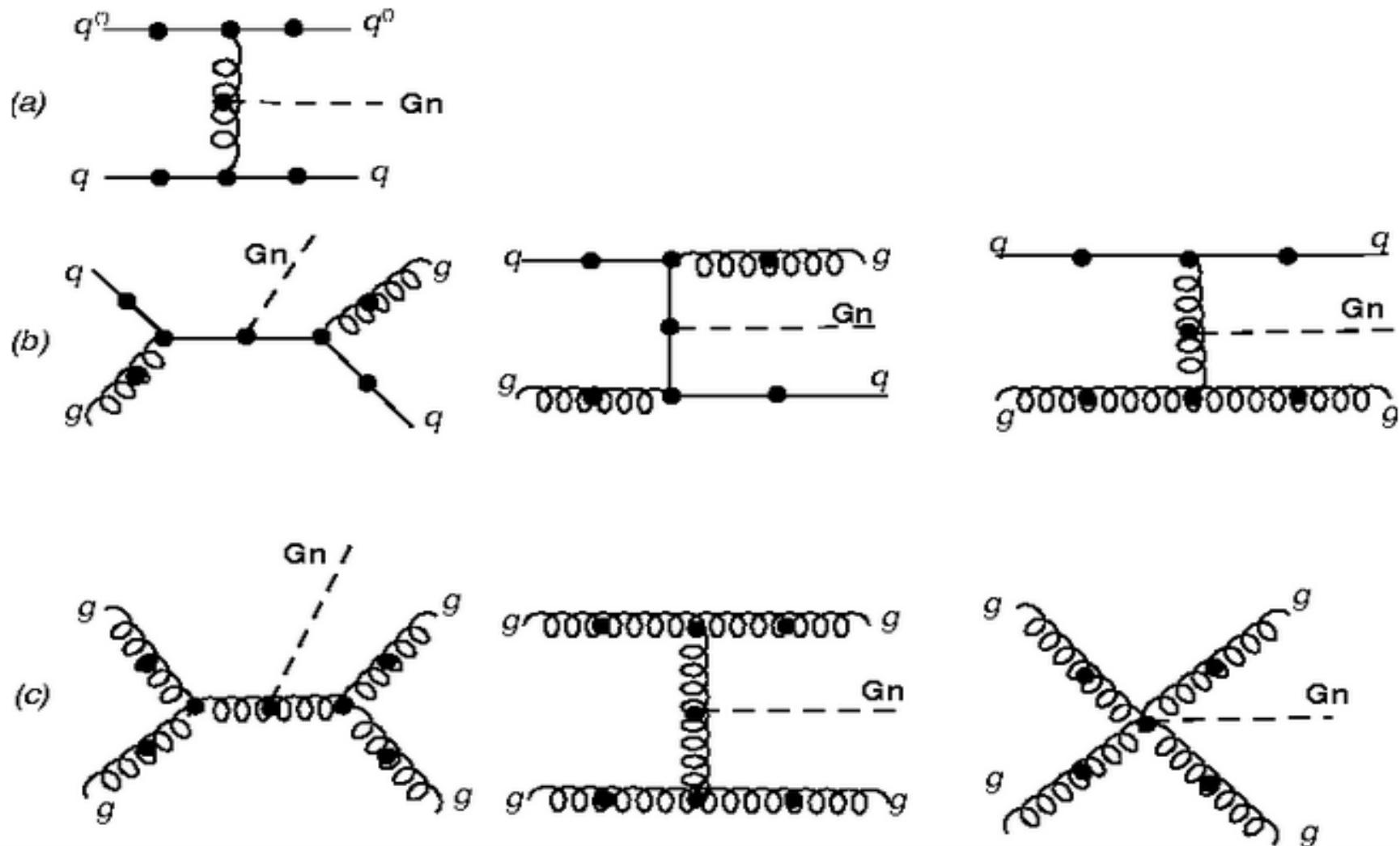
$H_0, f\sigma_8$

Challenges for Λ CDM Beyond H_0 and S_8

- A. The A_{lens} Anomaly in the CMB Angular Power Spectrum
- B. Hints for a Closed Universe from *Planck* Data
- C. Large-Angular-Scale Anomalies in the CMB Temperature and Polarization
 1. The Lack of Large-Angle CMB Temperature Correlations
 2. Hemispherical Power Asymmetry
 3. Quadrupole and Octopole Anomalies
 4. Point-Parity Anomaly
 5. Variation in Cosmological Parameters Over the Sky
 6. The Cold Spot
 7. Explaining the Large-Angle Anomalies
 8. Predictions and Future Testability
 9. Summary
- D. Abnormal Oscillations of Best Fit Parameter Values
- E. Anomalously Strong ISW Effect
- F. Cosmic Dipoles
 1. The α Dipole
 2. Galaxy Cluster Anisotropies and Anomalous Bulk Flows
 3. Radio Galaxy Cosmic Dipole
 4. QSO Cosmic Dipole and Polarisation Alignments
 5. Dipole in SNIa
 6. Emergent Dipole in H_0
 7. CMB Dipole: Intrinsic Versus Kinematic?
- G. The Ly- α Forest BAO and CMB Anomalies
 1. The Ly- α Forest BAO Anomaly
 2. Ly- α -*Planck* 2018 Tension in $n_s - \Omega_m$
- H. Parity Violating Rotation of CMB Linear Polarization
- I. The Lithium Problem
- J. Quasars Hubble Diagram Tension with Planck- Λ CDM
- K. Oscillating Force Signals in Short Range Gravity Experiments
- L. Λ CDM and the Dark Matter Phenomenon at Galactic Scales

[L. Perivolaropoulos , F. Scara, New Astron. Rev (2022), 2105.05208 [astro-ph.CO]]

Can General Relativity be quantized?



COSMOLOGICAL CONSTANT PROBLEM

$$E_n \sim (n + 1/2)h\omega(k)$$

$$\rho_\Lambda(th) \sim M_p^4$$

$$\rho_\Lambda^0 \sim 10^{-120} \rho_\Lambda^{th}$$

H₀ tension

- Tension (5σ !) between the data (direct measurements) and Planck/ Λ CDM (indirect measurements). The data indicate a lack of “gravitational power”.

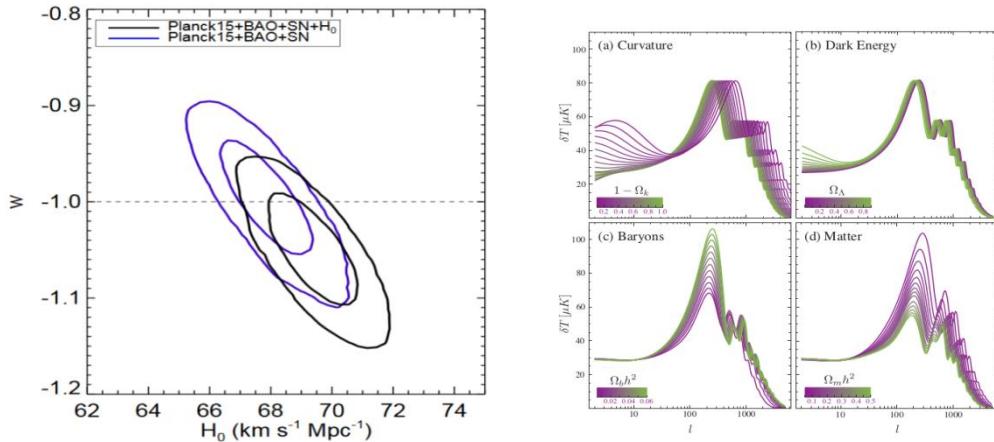
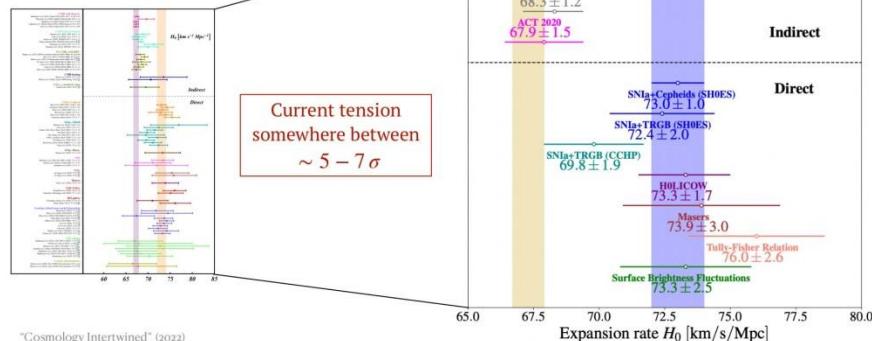


Figure 26. The CMB power spectrum as a function of cosmological parameters

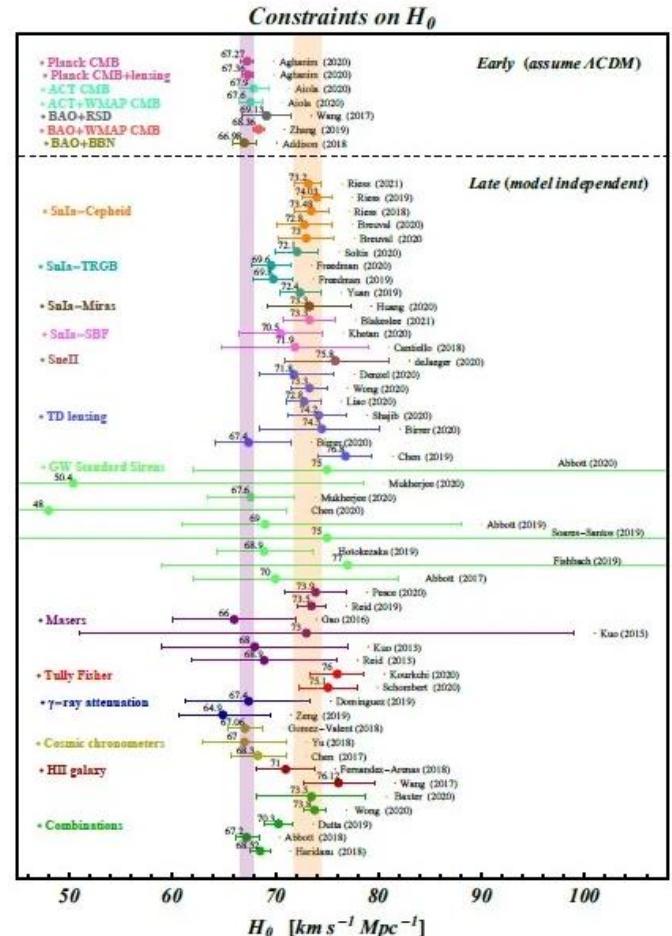
[Riess et al, *Astrophys.J* 826]

Current status

H_0 measured / inferred using many techniques



“Cosmology Intertwined” (2022)

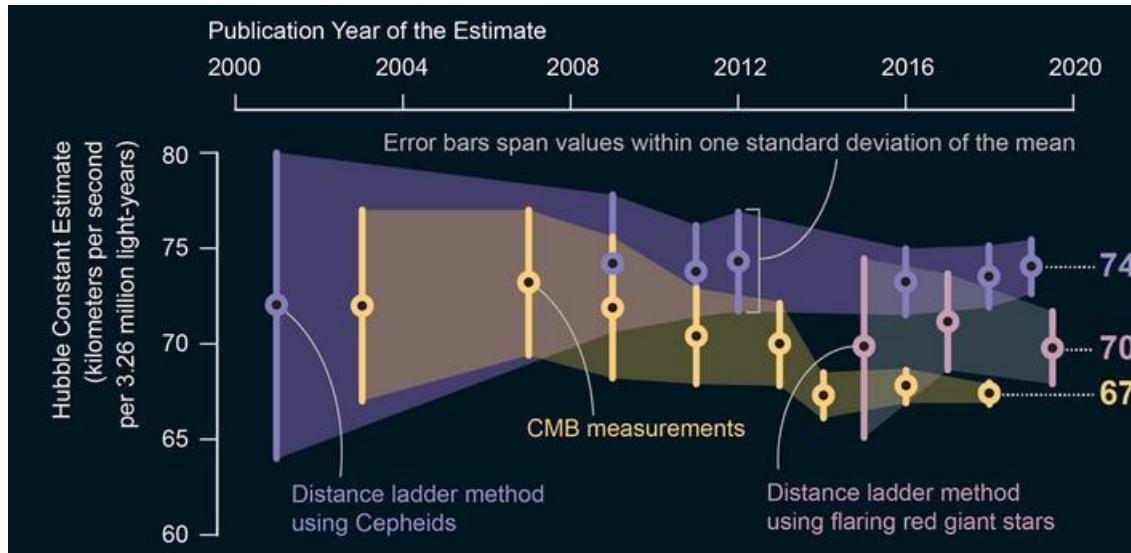


[Abdalla et al, *JHEAp* (2022)] 20

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H₀ tension

- Tension between the **data** (direct measurements) and **Planck/ΛCDM** (indirect measurements). This tension could be due to **systematics**.
- If not systematics then we may need **changes in ΛCDM** in **early** or **late** time behavior. **5σ** seems to be very serious!



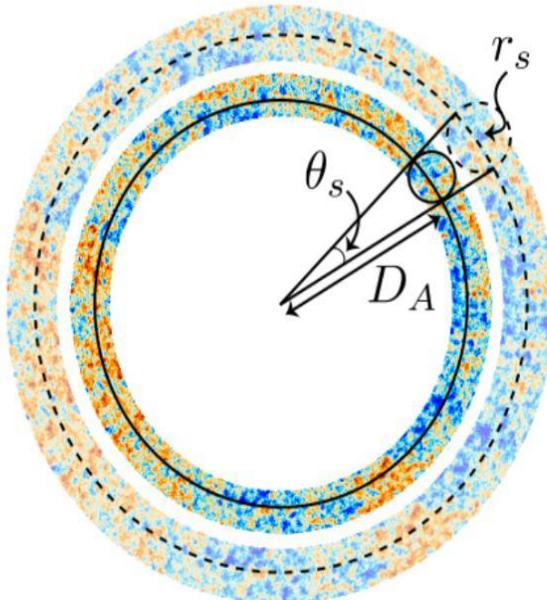
- Change early or late Universe physics. Higher number of effective **relativistic species**, **dynamical dark energy**, **non-zero curvature**, etc.
- The data indicate a lack of "gravitational power". **Modified Gravity**.

Restoring cosmological concordance

Is LCDM Wrong?

$$\theta_s = \frac{r_s}{D_A}$$

0.04% precision



$$r_s \propto \int_0^{t_{\text{recom}}} dt \frac{c_s(t)}{\rho(t)}$$

$$D_A \propto \frac{1}{H_0} \int_{t_{\text{recom}}}^{t_{\text{today}}} dt \frac{1}{\rho(t)}$$

How do we increase H₀?

Decrease sound horizon (r_s)

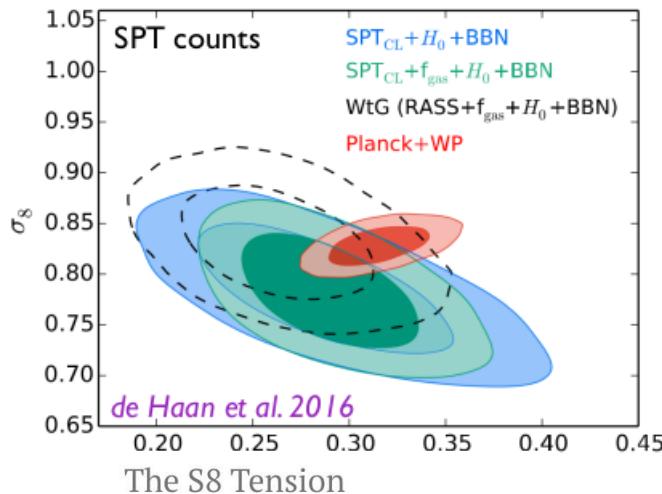
Increase integral in angular diameter distance (D_A)

“Early time solutions”

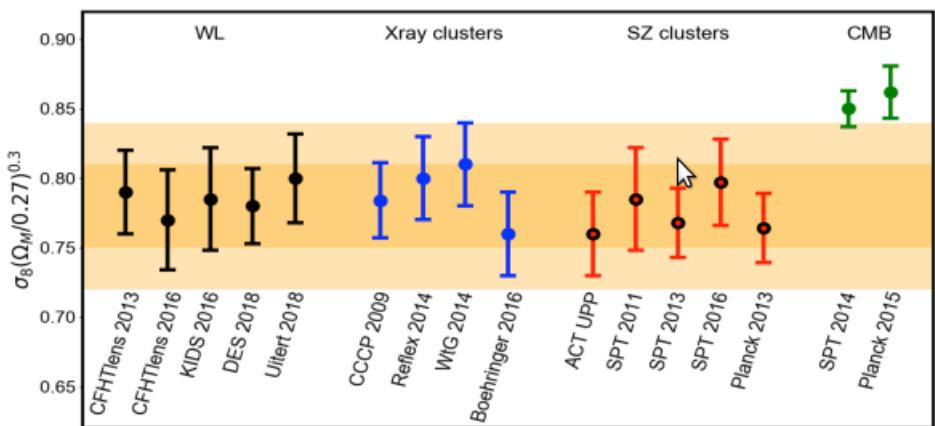
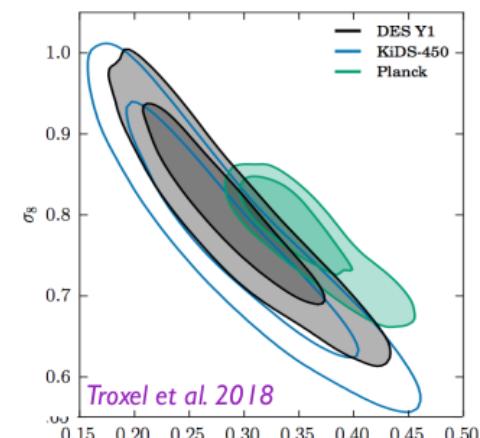
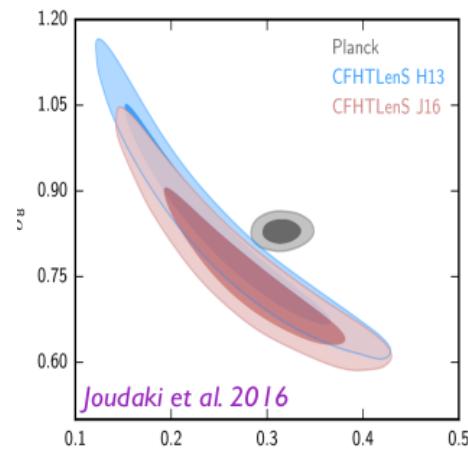
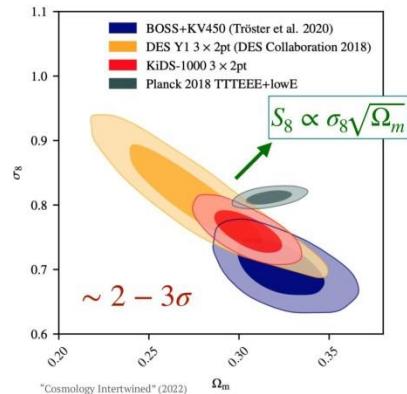
“Late time solutions”

S8 Tension

- Tension between direct data and Planck/ Λ CDM estimation. The data indicate less matter clustering in structures at intermediate-small cosmological scales.



The S8 Tension



S8 Tension

TABLE II: A compilation of RSD data that we found published from 2006 since 2018

Index	Dataset	z	$f\sigma_8(z)$	Refs.	Year	Fiducial Cosmology
1	SDSS-LRG	0.35	0.440 ± 0.050	[75]	30 October 2006	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.25, 0, 0.756)$ [76]
2	VVDS	0.77	0.490 ± 0.18	[75]	6 October 2009	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.25, 0, 0.78)$
3	2dFGRS	0.17	0.510 ± 0.060	[75]	6 October 2009	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K) = (0.3, 0, 0.9)$
4	2MRS	0.02	0.314 ± 0.048	[77], [78]	13 November 2010	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.266, 0, 0.65)$
5	SnIa+IRAS	0.02	0.398 ± 0.065	[79], [78]	20 October 2011	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.3, 0, 0.814)$
6	SDSS-LRG-200	0.25	0.3512 ± 0.0583	[80]	9 December 2011	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.276, 0, 0.8)$
7	SDSS-LRG-200	0.37	0.4602 ± 0.0378	[80]	9 December 2011	$(\Omega_{0m}, h, \sigma_8) = (0.27, 0.71, 0.8)$
8	SDSS-LRG-60	0.25	0.3665 ± 0.0601	[80]	9 December 2011	$C_{ij} = E q. (3.3)$
9	SDSS-LRG-60	0.37	0.4031 ± 0.0586	[80]	9 December 2011	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.27, 0, 0.76)$
10	WiggleZ	0.44	0.413 ± 0.080	[46]	12 June 2012	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.25, 0, 0.804)$
11	WiggleZ	0.60	0.390 ± 0.063	[46]	12 June 2012	$(\Omega_{0m}, h, \sigma_8) = (0.27, 0.71, 0.8)$
12	WiggleZ	0.73	0.437 ± 0.072	[46]	12 June 2012	$(\Omega_{0m}, h, \sigma_8) = (0.27, 0.71, 0.8)$
13	6dFGS	0.067	0.423 ± 0.055	[81]	4 July 2012	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.27, 0, 0.76)$
14	SDSS-BOSS	0.30	0.407 ± 0.055	[82]	11 August 2012	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.25, 0, 0.804)$
15	SDSS-BOSS	0.40	0.419 ± 0.041	[82]	11 August 2012	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.25, 0, 0.804)$
16	SDSS-BOSS	0.50	0.427 ± 0.043	[82]	11 August 2012	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.25, 0, 0.804)$
17	SDSS-BOSS	0.60	0.433 ± 0.067	[82]	11 August 2012	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.25, 0, 0.804)$
18	Vipers	0.80	0.470 ± 0.080	[83]	9 July 2013	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.25, 0, 0.82)$
19	SDSS-DR7-LRG	0.35	0.429 ± 0.089	[84]	8 August 2013	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.25, 0, 0.809)$ [85]
20	GAMA	0.18	0.360 ± 0.090	[86]	22 September 2013	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.27, 0, 0.8)$
21	GAMA	0.38	0.440 ± 0.060	[86]	22 September 2013	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.27, 0, 0.8)$
22	BOSS-LOWZ	0.32	0.384 ± 0.095	[87]	17 December 2013	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.274, 0, 0.8)$
23	SDSS DR10 and DR11	0.32	0.48 ± 0.10	[87]	17 December 2013	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.274, 0, 0.8)$ [88]
24	SDSS DR10 and DR11	0.57	0.417 ± 0.045	[87]	17 December 2013	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.274, 0, 0.8)$ [88]
25	SDSS-MGS	0.15	0.490 ± 0.145	[89]	30 January 2015	$(\Omega_{0m}, h, \sigma_8) = (0.31, 0.67, 0.83)$
26	SDSS-velos	0.10	0.370 ± 0.130	[90]	16 June 2015	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.3, 0, 0.89)$ [91]
27	FastSound	1.40	0.482 ± 0.116	[92]	25 November 2015	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.27, 0, 0.82)$ [93]
28	SDSS-CMASS	0.59	0.488 ± 0.060	[94]	8 July 2016	$(\Omega_{0m}, h, \sigma_8) = (0.307115, 0.6777, 0.8288)$
29	BOSS DR12	0.38	0.497 ± 0.045	[2]	11 July 2016	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.31, 0, 0.8)$
30	BOSS DR12	0.51	0.458 ± 0.038	[2]	11 July 2016	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.31, 0, 0.8)$
31	BOSS DR12	0.61	0.436 ± 0.034	[2]	11 July 2016	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.31, 0, 0.8)$
32	BOSS DR12	0.38	0.477 ± 0.051	[95]	11 July 2016	$(\Omega_{0m}, h, \sigma_8) = (0.31, 0.676, 0.8)$
33	BOSS DR12	0.51	0.453 ± 0.050	[95]	11 July 2016	$(\Omega_{0m}, h, \sigma_8) = (0.31, 0.676, 0.8)$
34	BOSS DR12	0.61	0.410 ± 0.044	[95]	11 July 2016	$(\Omega_{0m}, h, \sigma_8) = (0.31, 0.676, 0.8)$
35	Vipers v7	0.76	0.440 ± 0.040	[55]	26 October 2016	$(\Omega_{0m}, \sigma_8) = (0.308, 0.8149)$
36	Vipers v7	1.05	0.280 ± 0.080	[55]	26 October 2016	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.31, 0, 0.8475)$
37	BOSS LOWZ	0.32	0.427 ± 0.056	[96]	26 October 2016	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.31, 0, 0.8475)$
38	BOSS CMASS	0.57	0.426 ± 0.029	[96]	26 October 2016	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.31, 0, 0.8475)$
39	Vipers	0.727	0.296 ± 0.0765	[97]	21 November 2016	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_K, \sigma_8) = (0.31, 0, 0.7)$
40	6dFGS+SnIa	0.02	0.428 ± 0.0465	[98]	29 November 2016	$(\Omega_{0m}, h, \sigma_8) = (0.3, 0.683, 0.8)$
41	Vipers	0.6	0.48 ± 0.12	[99]	16 December 2016	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_b, n_x, \sigma_8) = (0.3, 0.045, 0.96, 0.831)$ [12]
42	Vipers	0.86	0.48 ± 0.10	[99]	16 December 2016	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_b, n_x, \sigma_8) = (0.3, 0.045, 0.96, 0.831)$ [12]
43	Vipers PDR-2	0.60	0.550 ± 0.120	[100]	16 December 2016	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_b, \sigma_8) = (0.3, 0.045, 0.823)$
44	Vipers PDR-2	0.86	0.400 ± 0.110	[100]	16 December 2016	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_b, \sigma_8) = (0.3, 0.045, 0.823)$
45	SDSS DR13	0.1	0.48 ± 0.16	[101]	22 December 2016	$(\Omega_{0m}, \sigma_8) = (0.25, 0.89)$ [91]
46	2MTF	0.001	0.505 ± 0.085	[102]	16 June 2017	$(\Omega_{0m}, \sigma_8) = (0.3121, 0.815)$
47	Vipers PDR-2	0.85	0.45 ± 0.11	[103]	31 July 2017	$(\Omega_b, \Omega_m, h) = (0.045, 0.30, 0.8)$
48	BOSS DR12	0.31	0.469 ± 0.098	[49]	15 September 2017	$(\Omega_{0m}, h, \sigma_8) = (0.307, 0.6777, 0.8288)$
49	BOSS DR12	0.36	0.474 ± 0.097	[49]	15 September 2017	$(\Omega_{0m}, h, \sigma_8) = (0.307, 0.6777, 0.8288)$
50	BOSS DR12	0.40	0.473 ± 0.086	[49]	15 September 2017	$(\Omega_{0m}, h, \sigma_8) = (0.307, 0.6777, 0.8288)$
51	BOSS DR12	0.44	0.481 ± 0.076	[49]	15 September 2017	$(\Omega_{0m}, h, \sigma_8) = (0.307, 0.6777, 0.8288)$
52	BOSS DR12	0.48	0.482 ± 0.067	[49]	15 September 2017	$(\Omega_{0m}, h, \sigma_8) = (0.307, 0.6777, 0.8288)$
53	BOSS DR12	0.52	0.488 ± 0.065	[49]	15 September 2017	$(\Omega_{0m}, h, \sigma_8) = (0.307, 0.6777, 0.8288)$
54	BOSS DR12	0.56	0.482 ± 0.067	[49]	15 September 2017	$(\Omega_{0m}, h, \sigma_8) = (0.307, 0.6777, 0.8288)$
55	BOSS DR12	0.59	0.481 ± 0.066	[49]	15 September 2017	$(\Omega_{0m}, h, \sigma_8) = (0.307, 0.6777, 0.8288)$
56	BOSS DR12	0.64	0.486 ± 0.070	[49]	15 September 2017	$(\Omega_{0m}, h, \sigma_8) = (0.307, 0.6777, 0.8288)$
57	SDSS DR7	0.1	0.376 ± 0.038	[104]	12 December 2017	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_b, \sigma_8) = (0.282, 0.046, 0.817)$
58	SDSS-IV	1.52	0.420 ± 0.076	[105]	8 January 2018	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_b h^2, \sigma_8) = (0.26479, 0.02258, 0.8)$
59	SDSS-IV	1.52	0.396 ± 0.079	[106]	8 January 2018	$(\Omega_{0m}, \Omega_b h^2, \sigma_8) = (0.31, 0.022, 0.8225)$
60	SDSS-IV	0.978	0.379 ± 0.176	[107]	9 January 2018	$(\Omega_{0m}, \sigma_8) = (0.31, 0.8)$
61	SDSS-IV	1.23	0.385 ± 0.099	[107]	9 January 2018	$(\Omega_{0m}, \sigma_8) = (0.31, 0.8)$
62	SDSS-IV	1.526	0.342 ± 0.070	[107]	9 January 2018	$(\Omega_{0m}, \sigma_8) = (0.31, 0.8)$
63	SDSS-IV	1.944	0.364 ± 0.106	[107]	9 January 2018	$(\Omega_{0m}, \sigma_8) = (0.31, 0.8)$

[Kazantzidis, Perivolaropoulos, PRD97]

- **Model Dependence:** Distance to galaxies is not measured directly, so a cosmological model is assumed in order to infer distances (Λ CDM with different parameters).
- **Double counting:** Some data points correspond to the same sample of galaxies analyzed by different groups/methods etc.

Tension2 – $f\sigma_8$

- Tension between the data and Planck/ Λ CDM.
- This tension could be due to systematics.
- If not systematics, the data less matter clustering in structures at intermediate-small cosmological scales (expressed as smaller Ω_m at $z < 0.6$, or smaller σ_8 , or $w_{DE} < -1$).
- It could be reconciled by a mechanism that reduces the rate of clustering between recombination and today: Hot Dark Matter, Dark Matter that clusters differently at small scales, or Modified Gravity.

Possible Solutions of H0 and S8 tensions

tension $\leq 1\sigma$ “Excellent models”	tension $\leq 2\sigma$ “Good models”	tension $\leq 3\sigma$ “Promising models”
<p>Dark energy in extended parameter spaces [289]</p> <p>Dynamical Dark Energy [309]</p> <p>Metastable Dark Energy [314]</p> <p>PEDE [392, 394]</p> <p>Elaborated Vacuum Metamorphosis [400–402]</p> <p>IDE [314, 636, 637, 639, 652, 657, 661–663]</p> <p>Self-interacting sterile neutrinos [711]</p> <p>Generalized Chaplygin gas model [744]</p> <p>Galileon gravity [876, 882]</p> <p>Power Law Inflation [966]</p> <p>$f(T)$ [818]</p>	<p>Early Dark Energy [235]</p> <p>Phantom Dark Energy [11]</p> <p>Dynamical Dark Energy [11, 281, 309]</p> <p>GEDE [397]</p> <p>Vacuum Metamorphosis [402]</p> <p>IDE [314, 653, 656, 661, 663, 670]</p> <p>Critically Emergent Dark Energy [997]</p> <p>$f(T)$ gravity [814]</p> <p>Über-gravity [59]</p> <p>Reconstructed PPS [978]</p>	<p>Early Dark Energy [229]</p> <p>Decaying Warm DM [474]</p> <p>Neutrino-DM Interaction [506]</p> <p>Interacting dark radiation [517]</p> <p>Self-Interacting Neutrinos [700, 701]</p> <p>IDE [656]</p> <p>Unified Cosmologies [747]</p> <p>Scalar-tensor gravity [856]</p> <p>Modified recombination [986]</p> <p>Super ΛCDM [1007]</p> <p>Coupled Dark Energy [650]</p>
<p>Early Dark Energy [228, 235, 240, 250]</p> <p>Exponential Acoustic Dark Energy [259]</p> <p>Phantom Crossing [315]</p> <p>Late Dark Energy Transition [317]</p> <p>Metastable Dark Energy [314]</p> <p>PEDE [394]</p> <p>Vacuum Metamorphosis [402]</p> <p>Elaborated Vacuum Metamorphosis [401, 402]</p> <p>Sterile Neutrinos [433]</p> <p>Decaying Dark Matter [481]</p> <p>Neutrino-Majoron Interactions [509]</p> <p>IDE [637, 639, 657, 661]</p> <p>DM - Photon Coupling [685]</p> <p>$f(T)$ gravity theory [812]</p> <p>BD-ΛCDM [851]</p> <p>Über-Gravity [59]</p> <p>Galileon Gravity [875]</p> <p>Unimodular Gravity [890]</p> <p>Time Varying Electron Mass [990]</p> <p>ΛCDM [995]</p> <p>Ginzburg-Landau theory [996]</p> <p>Lorentzian Quintessential Inflation [979]</p> <p>Holographic Dark Energy [351]</p>	<p>Early Dark Energy [212, 229, 236, 263]</p> <p>Rock ‘n’ Roll [242]</p> <p>New Early Dark Energy [247]</p> <p>Acoustic Dark Energy [257]</p> <p>Dynamical Dark Energy [309]</p> <p>Running vacuum model [332]</p> <p>Bulk viscous models [340, 341]</p> <p>Holographic Dark Energy [350]</p> <p>Phantom Braneworld DE [378]</p> <p>PEDE [391, 392]</p> <p>Elaborated Vacuum Metamorphosis [401]</p> <p>IDE [659, 670]</p> <p>Interacting Dark Radiation [517]</p> <p>Decaying Dark Matter [471, 474]</p> <p>DM - Photon Coupling [686]</p> <p>Self-interacting sterile neutrinos [711]</p> <p>$f(T)$ gravity theory [817]</p> <p>Über-Gravity [871]</p> <p>VCDM [893]</p> <p>Primordial magnetic fields [992]</p> <p>Early modified gravity [859]</p> <p>Bianchi type I spacetime [999]</p> <p>$f(T)$ [818]</p>	<p>DE in extended parameter spaces [289]</p> <p>Dynamical Dark Energy [281, 309]</p> <p>Holographic Dark Energy [350]</p> <p>Swampland Conjectures [370]</p> <p>MEDE [399]</p> <p>Coupled DM - Dark radiation [534]</p> <p>Decaying Ultralight Scalar [538]</p> <p>BD-ΛCDM [852]</p> <p>Metastable Dark Energy [314]</p> <p>Self-Interacting Neutrinos [700]</p> <p>Dark Neutrino Interactions [716]</p> <p>IDE [634–636, 653, 656, 663, 669]</p> <p>Scalar-tensor gravity [855, 856]</p> <p>Galileon gravity [877, 881]</p> <p>Nonlocal gravity [886]</p> <p>Modified recombination [986]</p> <p>Effective Electron Rest Mass [989]</p> <p>Super ΛCDM [1007]</p> <p>Axi-Higgs [991]</p> <p>Self-Interacting Dark Matter [479]</p> <p>Primordial Black Holes [545]</p>

Possible Solutions of H0 and S8 tensions

Early-Time Alternative Proposed Models

1. Axion Monodromy
2. Early Dark Energy
3. Extra Relativistic Degrees of Freedom
4. Modified Recombination History
5. New Early Dark Energy

Late-Time Alternative Proposed Models

1. Bulk Viscous Models
2. Chameleon Dark Energy
3. Clustering Dark Energy
4. Diffusion Models
5. Dynamical Dark Energy
6. Emergent Dark Energy
7. Graduated Dark Energy - AdS to dS Transition in the Late Universe
8. Holographic Dark Energy
9. Interacting Dark Energy
10. Quintessence Models and their Various Extensions
11. Running Vacuum Models
12. Time-Varying Gravitational Constant
13. Vacuum Metamorphosis

Modified Gravity Models

1. Effective Field Theory Approach to Dark Energy and Modified Gravity
2. $f(T)$ Gravity
3. Horndeski Theory
4. Quantum Conformal Anomaly Effective Theory and Dynamical Vacuum Energy
5. Ultra-Late Time Gravitational Transitions

Beyond the FLRW Framework

1. Cosmological Fitting and Averaging Problems
2. Data Analysis in an Universe with Structure: Accounting for Regional Inhomogeneity and Anisotropy
3. Local Void Scenario

Specific Solutions Assuming FLRW

1. Active and Sterile Neutrinos
2. Cannibal Dark Matter
3. Decaying Dark Matter
4. Dynamical Dark Matter
5. Extended Parameter Spaces Involving A_{lens}
6. Cosmological Scenario with Features in the Primordial Power Spectrum
7. Interacting Dark Matter
8. Quantum Landscape Multiverse
9. Quantum Fisher Cosmology
10. Quartessence
11. Scaling Symmetry and a Mirror Sector
12. Self-Interacting Neutrinos
13. Self-Interacting Sterile Neutrinos
14. Soft Cosmology
15. Two-Body Decaying Cold Dark Matter into Dark Radiation and Warm Dark Matter

Cosmology Intertwined: A Review of the Particle Physics, Astrophysics, and Cosmology Associated with the Cosmological Tensions and Anomalies

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10 commandments for Hubble hunters

- ① I am $H_0 \approx 74$ thy Goal
- ② Thou shalt not fail to fit key data (BAO, SNela, polarization)...
- ③ ...or include a local H_0 prior in vain
- ④ Remember to not just blow up the uncertainty on H_0 ...
- ⑤ ...honour its central value, and keep an eye on your $\Delta\chi^2$ /Bayesian evidence
- ⑥ Thou shalt not murder σ_8/S_8 ...
- ⑦ ...but aim to solve this and other tensions/puzzles at the same time
- ⑧ Thy solution shall come from a compelling particle/gravity model...
- ⑨ ...which makes verifiable predictions...
- ⑩ ...which later better be verified!



Credits: Gustave Doré

Efficient model independent requirements to solve the tensions

- In general, to avoid the H_0 tension one needs a positive correction to the first Friedmann equation at late times that could yield an increase in H_0 compared to the Λ CDM scenario.

Efficient model independent requirements to solve the tensions

- For the σ_8 tension, we recall that in any cosmological model, at sub-Hubble scales and through matter epoch, the equation that governs the evolution of matter perturbations in the linear regime is

$$\ddot{\delta} + 2H\dot{\delta} = 4\pi G_{\text{eff}}\rho_m\delta , \quad (1)$$

where G_{eff} is the effective gravitational coupling given by a generalized Poisson equation.

- Solving for $\delta(a)$ provides the observable quantity $f\sigma_8(a)$, following the definitions $f(a) \equiv d \ln \delta(a) / d \ln a$ and $\sigma(a) = \sigma_8 \delta(1) / \delta(a = 1)$. Hence, alleviation of the σ_8 tension may be obtained if G_{eff} becomes smaller than G_N during the growth of matter perturbations and/or if the “friction” term in (1) increases.

General Relativity

Assumptions and Considerations

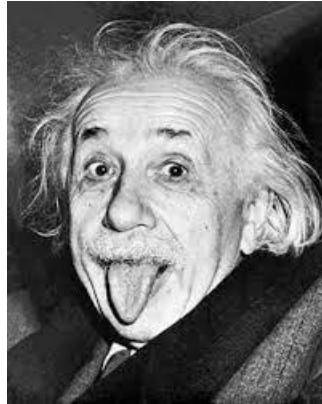
$$S = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [R - 2\Lambda] + \int d^4x L_m(g_{\mu\nu}, \psi)$$

- Diffeomorphism invariance
- Spacetime dimensionality=4
- **Geometry=Curvature** (connection=Levi Civita)
- Linear in Ricci scalar
- **Metric compatibility** (zero non-metricity)
- Minimal matter coupling
- Equivalence principle
- Lorentz invariance
- Locality

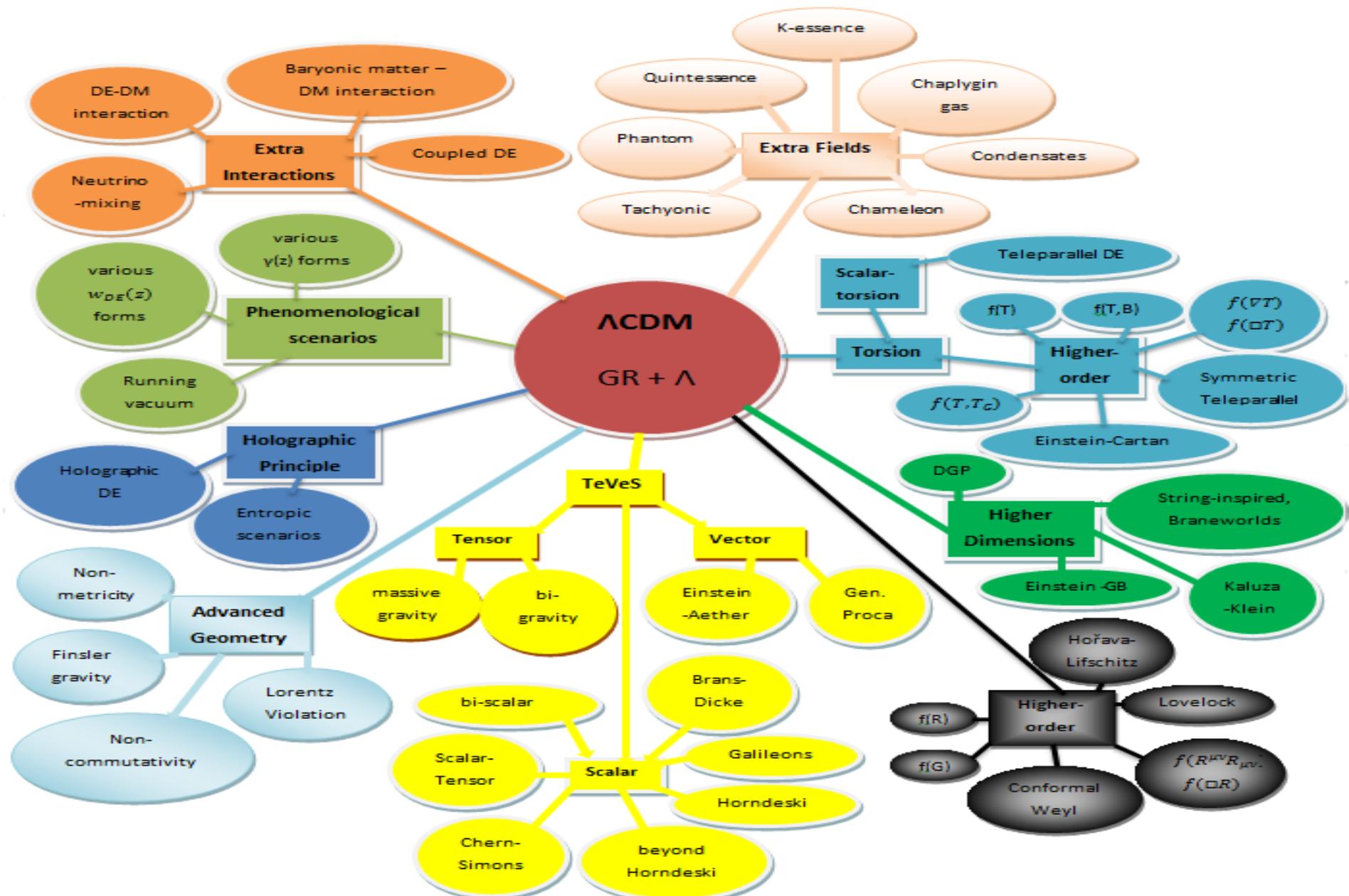
Standard Model vs General Relativity Lagrangians

1	$-\frac{1}{2}\partial_\nu g_\mu^a \partial_\nu g_\mu^a - g_s f^{abc} \partial_\mu g_\nu^a g_\mu^b g_\nu^c - \frac{1}{4}g_s^2 f^{abc} f^{ade} g_\mu^b g_\nu^c g_\mu^d g_\nu^e + \frac{1}{2}ig_s^2 (\bar{q}_i^\sigma \gamma^\mu q_j^\sigma) g_\mu^a + \bar{G}^a \partial^2 G^a + g_s f^{abc} \partial_\mu \bar{G}^a G^b g_\mu^c - \partial_\nu W_\mu^+ \partial_\nu W_\mu^- -$
2	$M^2 W_\mu^+ W_\mu^- - \frac{1}{2}\partial_\nu Z_\mu^0 \partial_\nu Z_\mu^0 - \frac{1}{2c_w^2} M^2 Z_\mu^0 Z_\mu^0 - \frac{1}{2}\partial_\mu A_\nu \partial_\mu A_\nu - \frac{1}{2}\partial_\mu H \partial_\mu H - \frac{1}{2}m_h^2 H^2 - \partial_\mu \phi^+ \partial_\mu \phi^- - M^2 \phi^+ \phi^- - \frac{1}{2}\partial_\mu \phi^0 \partial_\mu \phi^0 - \frac{1}{2c_w^2} M \phi^0 \phi^0 - \beta_h \frac{2M^2}{g^2} + \frac{2M}{g} H + \frac{1}{2}(H^2 + \phi^0 \phi^0 + 2\phi^+ \phi^-) + \frac{2M^4}{g^2} \alpha_h - ig c_w [\partial_\nu Z_\mu^0 (W_\mu^+ W_\nu^- - W_\nu^+ W_\mu^-) - Z_\nu^0 (W_\mu^+ \partial_\nu W_\mu^- - W_\mu^- \partial_\nu W_\mu^+) + Z_\mu^0 (W_\nu^+ \partial_\nu W_\mu^- - W_\nu^- \partial_\nu W_\mu^+)] - igs_w [\partial_\nu A_\mu (W_\mu^+ W_\nu^- - W_\nu^+ W_\mu^-) - A_\nu (W_\mu^+ \partial_\nu W_\mu^- - W_\mu^- \partial_\nu W_\mu^+) + A_\mu (W_\nu^+ \partial_\nu W_\mu^- - W_\nu^- \partial_\nu W_\mu^+)] - \frac{1}{2}g^2 W_\mu^+ W_\mu^- W_\nu^+ W_\nu^- + \frac{1}{2}g^2 W_\mu^+ W_\nu^- W_\mu^+ W_\nu^- + g^2 c_w^2 (Z_\mu^0 W_\mu^+ Z_\nu^0 W_\nu^- - Z_\mu^0 Z_\nu^0 W_\nu^+ W_\nu^-) + g^2 s_w^2 c_w [A_\mu Z_\nu^0 (W_\mu^+ W_\nu^- - W_\nu^+ W_\mu^-) - 2A_\mu Z_\mu^0 W_\nu^+ W_\nu^-] - g\alpha [H^3 + H\phi^0 \phi^0 + 2H\phi^+ \phi^-] - \frac{1}{8}g^2 \alpha_h [H^4 + (\phi^0)^4 + 4(\phi^+ \phi^-)^2 + 4(\phi^0)^2 \phi^+ \phi^- + 4H^2 \phi^+ \phi^- + 2(\phi^0)^2 H^2] - gM W_\mu^+ W_\mu^- H - \frac{1}{2}g \frac{M}{c_w^2} Z_\mu^0 Z_\mu^0 H - \frac{1}{2}ig [W_\mu^+ (\phi^0 \partial_\mu \phi^- - \phi^- \partial_\mu \phi^0) - W_\mu^- (\phi^0 \partial_\mu \phi^+ - \phi^+ \partial_\mu \phi^0)] + \frac{1}{2}g [W_\mu^+ (H \partial_\mu \phi^- - \phi^- \partial_\mu H) - W_\mu^- (H \partial_\mu \phi^+ - \phi^+ \partial_\mu H)] + \frac{1}{2}g \frac{1}{c_w} (Z_\mu^0 (H \partial_\mu \phi^0 - \phi^0 \partial_\mu H) - ig \frac{s_w^2}{c_w} M Z_\mu^0 (W_\mu^+ \phi^- - W_\mu^- \phi^+) + igs_w M A_\mu (W_\mu^+ \phi^- - W_\mu^- \phi^+) - ig \frac{1-2c_w^2}{2c_w} Z_\mu^0 (\phi^+ \partial_\mu \phi^- - \phi^- \partial_\mu \phi^+) + igs_w A_\mu (\phi^+ \partial_\mu \phi^- - \phi^- \partial_\mu \phi^+) - \frac{1}{4}g^2 W_\mu^+ W_\mu^- [H^2 + (\phi^0)^2 + 2\phi^+ \phi^-] - \frac{1}{4}g^2 \frac{1}{c_w^2} Z_\mu^0 Z_\mu^0 [H^2 + (\phi^0)^2 + 2(2s_w^2 - 1)\phi^+ \phi^-] - \frac{1}{2}g^2 \frac{s_w^2}{c_w} Z_\mu^0 \phi^0 (W_\mu^+ \phi^- + W_\mu^- \phi^+) - \frac{1}{2}ig^2 \frac{s_w^2}{c_w} Z_\mu^0 H (W_\mu^+ \phi^- - W_\mu^- \phi^+) + \frac{1}{2}g^2 s_w A_\mu \phi^0 (W_\mu^+ \phi^- + W_\mu^- \phi^+) + \frac{1}{2}ig^2 s_w A_\mu H (W_\mu^+ \phi^- - W_\mu^- \phi^+) - g^2 \frac{s_w^2}{c_w} (2c_w^2 - 1) Z_\mu^0 A_\mu \phi^+ \phi^- - g^1 s_w^2 A_\mu A_\mu \phi^+ \phi^- - \bar{e}^\lambda (\gamma \partial + m_e^\lambda) e^\lambda - \bar{\nu}^\lambda \gamma^\mu \partial \bar{\nu}^\lambda - \bar{u}^\lambda (\gamma \partial + m_u^\lambda) u^\lambda_j -$
3	$d_j^\lambda (\gamma \partial + m_d^\lambda) d_j^\lambda + igs_w A_\mu [-(\bar{e}^\lambda \gamma^\mu e^\lambda) + \frac{2}{3}(\bar{u}_j^\lambda \gamma^\mu u_j^\lambda) - \frac{1}{3}(\bar{d}_j^\lambda \gamma^\mu d_j^\lambda)] + \frac{ig}{4c_w} Z_\mu^0 [(\bar{\nu}^\lambda \gamma^\mu (1 + \gamma^5) \nu^\lambda) + (\bar{e}^\lambda \gamma^\mu (4s_w^2 - 1 - \gamma^5) e^\lambda) + (\bar{u}_j^\lambda \gamma^\mu (\frac{4}{3}s_w^2 - 1 - \gamma^5) u_j^\lambda) + (\bar{d}_j^\lambda \gamma^\mu (1 - \frac{8}{3}s_w^2 - \gamma^5) d_j^\lambda)] + \frac{ig}{2\sqrt{2}} W_\mu^+ [(\bar{\nu}^\lambda \gamma^\mu (1 + \gamma^5) e^\lambda) + (\bar{u}_j^\lambda \gamma^\mu (1 + \gamma^5) C_{\lambda\kappa} d_j^\kappa)] + \frac{ig}{2\sqrt{2}} W_\mu^- [(\bar{e}^\lambda \gamma^\mu (1 + \gamma^5) \nu^\lambda) + (\bar{d}_j^\kappa C_{\lambda\kappa}^\dagger \gamma^\mu (1 + \gamma^5) u_j^\lambda)] + \frac{ig}{2\sqrt{2}} \frac{m_e^\lambda}{M} [-\phi^+ (\bar{\nu}^\lambda (1 - \gamma^5) e^\lambda) + \phi^- (\bar{e}^\lambda (1 + \gamma^5) \nu^\lambda)] -$
4	$\frac{g}{2} \frac{m_e^\lambda}{M} [H(\bar{e}^\lambda e^\lambda) + i\phi^0(\bar{e}^\lambda \gamma^5 e^\lambda)] + \frac{ig}{2M\sqrt{2}} \phi^+ [-m_d^\kappa (\bar{u}_j^\lambda C_{\lambda\kappa} (1 - \gamma^5) d_j^\kappa) + m_u^\lambda (\bar{u}_j^\lambda C_{\lambda\kappa} (1 + \gamma^5) d_j^\kappa)] + \frac{ig}{2M\sqrt{2}} \phi^- [m_d^\lambda (\bar{d}_j^\lambda C_{\lambda\kappa}^\dagger (1 + \gamma^5) u_j^\kappa) - m_u^\kappa (\bar{d}_j^\lambda C_{\lambda\kappa}^\dagger (1 - \gamma^5) u_j^\kappa)] - \frac{g}{2} \frac{m_u^\lambda}{M} H(\bar{u}_j^\lambda u_j^\lambda) - \frac{g}{2} \frac{m_d^\lambda}{M} H(\bar{d}_j^\lambda d_j^\lambda) + \frac{ig}{2} \frac{m_u^\lambda}{M} \phi^0 (\bar{u}_j^\lambda \gamma^5 u_j^\lambda) - \frac{ig}{2} \frac{m_d^\lambda}{M} \phi^0 (\bar{d}_j^\lambda \gamma^5 d_j^\lambda) + \bar{X}^+(\partial^2 - M^2) X^+ + X^-(\partial^2 - M^2) X^- + \bar{X}^0(\partial^2 - \frac{M^2}{2}) X^0 + \bar{Y} \partial^2 Y + ig c_w W_\mu^+ (\partial_\mu \bar{X}^0 X^- - \partial_\mu \bar{X}^+ X^0) + igs_w W_\mu^+ (\partial_\mu \bar{Y} X^- - \partial_\mu \bar{X}^+ Y) + ig c_w W_\mu^- (\partial_\mu \bar{X}^- X^0 - \partial_\mu \bar{X}^0 X^+) + igs_w W_\mu^- (\partial_\mu \bar{X}^- Y - \partial_\mu \bar{Y} X^+) + ig c_w Z_\mu^0 (\partial_\mu \bar{X}^+ X^+ - \partial_\mu \bar{X}^- X^-) + igs_w A_\mu (\partial_\mu \bar{X}^+ X^+ - \partial_\mu \bar{X}^- X^-) - \frac{1}{2}gM[\bar{X}^+ X^+ H + \bar{X}^- X^- H + \frac{1}{c_w^2} \bar{X}^0 X^0 H] + \frac{1-2c_w^2}{2c_w} igM[\bar{X}^+ X^0 \phi^+ - \bar{X}^- X^0 \phi^-] + \frac{1}{2c_w} igM[\bar{X}^0 X^- \phi^+ - \bar{X}^0 X^+ \phi^-] + igMs_w[\bar{X}^0 X^- \phi^+ - \bar{X}^0 X^+ \phi^-] + \frac{1}{2}igM[\bar{X}^+ X^+ \phi^0 - \bar{X}^- X^- \phi^0]$

$$S = -\frac{1}{16\pi G} \int \sqrt{-g} (R(g) + 2\Lambda) \, d^4x$$



Modified Gravity



Scalar-Tensor Theories

■ Field equations:

$$\phi G_{\mu\nu} + \left[\square\phi + \frac{\omega}{2\phi} (\nabla\phi)^2 + V \right] g_{\mu\nu} - \nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \phi - \frac{\omega}{\phi} \nabla_\mu \phi \nabla_\nu \phi = 8\pi T_{\mu\nu}$$

$$(2\omega + 3)\square\phi + \omega'(\nabla\phi)^2 + 4V - 2\phi V' = 8\pi T$$

■ For Brans-Dicke:

- PPN parameters: $\beta_{PPN} = 1, \gamma_{PPN} = \frac{1+\omega}{2+\omega} \Rightarrow \omega \geq 40000$
- Newton's constant: $G = \left(\frac{4+2\omega}{3+2\omega} \right) \frac{1}{\phi}$ with $\frac{\dot{G}}{G} \leq 1.7 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ yr}^{-1}$

Brans-Dicke Cosmology

- Friedmann-Robertson-Walker metric: $ds^2 = dt^2 - a^2(t)\delta_{ij}dx^i dx^j$
- Friedmann equations:

$$H^2 = \frac{8\pi}{3\phi}\rho_m - H\frac{\dot{\phi}}{\phi} + \frac{\omega}{6}\frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{\phi^2} + \frac{V}{3\phi}$$

$$2\dot{H} + 3H^2 = -\frac{1}{\phi}\left(8\pi p_m + \frac{\omega}{2}\frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{\phi} + 2H\dot{\phi} + \ddot{\phi}\right) + \frac{V}{\phi}$$

- Scalar-field equation:

$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} - \frac{8\pi}{2\omega+3}(\rho_m - 3p_m) = 0 + \frac{2}{2\omega+3}\left(2V - \phi\frac{dV}{d\phi}\right)$$

- Matter equation: $\dot{\rho}_m + 3H(\rho_m + p_m) = 0$

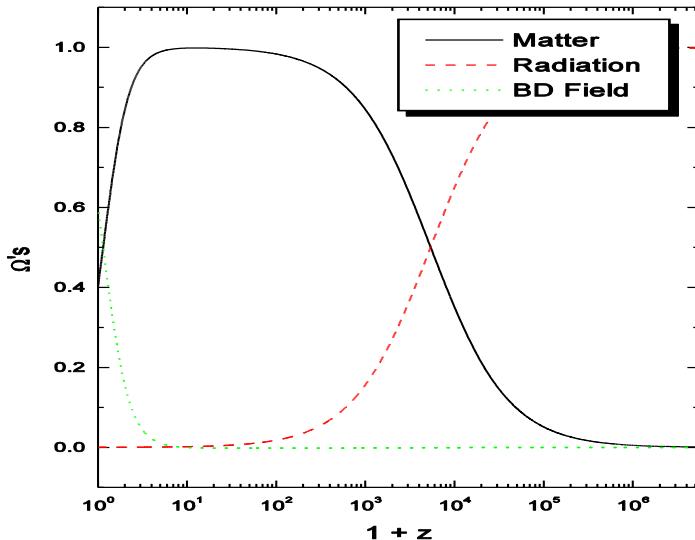
Dark Energy in Brans-Dicke Cosmology

- Effective Dark Energy sector:

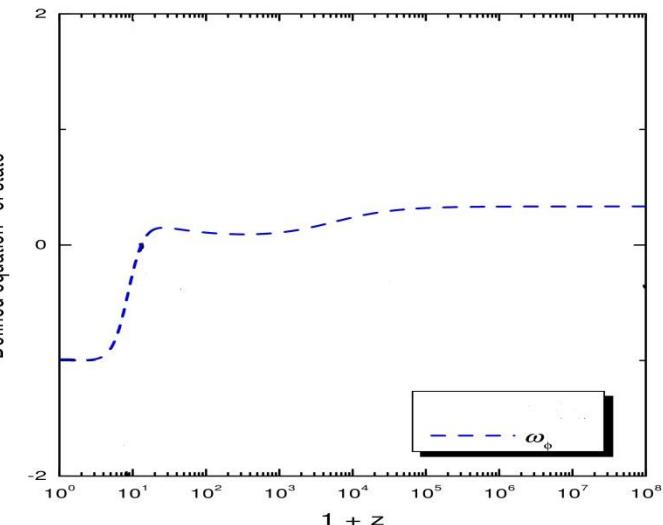
$$\rho_{DE} = \frac{3}{8\pi} \left(-H\dot{\phi} + \frac{\omega}{6} \frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{\phi} \right) + \frac{V}{8\pi}$$

$$p_{DE} = \frac{1}{8\pi} \left(\frac{\omega}{2} \frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{\phi} + 2H\dot{\phi} + \ddot{\phi} \right) - \frac{V}{8\pi}$$

$$\Rightarrow w_{DE} = \frac{p_{DE}}{\rho_{DE}}$$



$$V(\phi) = \frac{V_0}{\phi^2}$$



Scalar-Tensor Theories

- Most general 4D scalar-tensor theories having second-order field equations:

$$L_2[K] = K(\phi, X)$$

$$L_3[G_3] = -G_3(\phi, X) \diamond \phi \quad X = -\partial^\mu \phi \partial_\mu \phi / 2$$

$$L_4[G_4] = G_4(\phi, X) R + G_{4,x} [(\diamond \phi)^2 - (\nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \phi)(\nabla^\mu \nabla^\nu \phi)]$$

$$L_5[G_5] = G_5(\phi, X) G_{\mu\nu} (\nabla^\mu \nabla^\nu \phi) - \frac{1}{6} G_{5,x} [(\diamond \phi)^3 - 3(\diamond \phi)(\nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \phi)(\nabla^\mu \nabla^\nu \phi) + 2(\nabla^\mu \nabla_\alpha \phi)(\nabla^\alpha \nabla_\beta \phi)(\nabla^\beta \nabla_\mu \phi)]$$

[G. Horndeski, Int. J. Theor. Phys. 10]

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Horndeski Theories

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$$L_5[G_5] = G_5(\phi, X)G_{\mu\nu}(\nabla^\mu\nabla^\nu\phi) - \frac{1}{6}G_{5,x}[(\diamond\phi)^3 - 3(\diamond\phi)(\nabla_\mu\nabla_\nu\phi)(\nabla^\mu\nabla^\nu\phi) + 2(\nabla^\mu\nabla_\alpha\phi)(\nabla^\alpha\nabla_\beta\phi)(\nabla^\beta\nabla_\mu\phi)]$$

[G. Horndeski, Int. J. Theor. Phys. 10]



$$L_H = \sum_{i=2}^5 L_i$$

$$X = -\partial^\mu\phi\partial_\mu\phi/2$$

- Coincides with Generalized Galileon theories

$$\phi \rightarrow \phi + c, \quad \partial_\mu\phi \rightarrow \partial_\mu\phi + b_\mu$$

[Nicolis,Rattazzi,Trincherini, PRD 79]

Horndeski Cosmology (background)

- Field Equations: $L.H.S = R.H.S$
- In flat FRW:
- $$2XK_{,X} - K + 6X\dot{\phi}HG_{3,X} - 2XG_{3,\phi} - 6H^2G_4 + 24H^2X(G_{4,X} + XG_{4,XX}) - 12HX\dot{\phi}G_{4,\phi X} - 6H\dot{\phi}G_{4,\phi} + 2H^3X\dot{\phi}(5G_{5,X} + 2XG_{5,XX}) - 6H^2X(3G_{5,\phi} + 2XG_{5,\phi X}) = -\rho_m$$
- $$K - 2X(G_{3,\phi} + \ddot{\phi}G_{3,X}) + 2(3H^2 + 2\dot{H})G_4 - 12H^2XG_{4,X} - 4H\dot{X}G_{4,X} - 8\dot{H}XG_{4,X} - 8HXX\dot{X}G_{4,XX} + 2(\ddot{\phi} + 2H\dot{\phi})G_{4,\phi} + 4XG_{4,\phi\phi} + 4X(\ddot{\phi} - 2H\dot{\phi})G_{4,\phi X} - 2X(2H^3\dot{\phi} + 2H\dot{H}\dot{\phi} + 3H^2\ddot{\phi})G_{5,X} - 4H^2X^2\ddot{\phi}G_{5,XX} + 4HX(\dot{X} - HX)G_{5,\phi X} + 2[2(\dot{H}X + H\dot{X}) + 3H^2X]G_{5,\phi} + 4HX\dot{\phi}G_{5,\phi\phi} = -p_m$$
- $$\frac{1}{a^3} \frac{d}{dt} (a^3 J) = P_\phi$$

with $J = \dot{\phi}K_{,X} + 6HXG_{3,X} - 2\dot{\phi}G_{3,\phi} + 6H^2\dot{\phi}(G_{4,X} + 2XG_{4,XX}) - 12HXG_{4,\phi X} + 2H^3X(3G_{5,X} + 2XG_{5,XX}) - 6H^2\dot{\phi}(G_{5,\phi} + XG_{5,\phi X})$
 $P_\phi = K_{,\phi} - 2X(G_{3,\phi\phi} + \ddot{\phi}G_{3,\phi X}) + 6(2H^2 + \dot{H})G_{4,\phi} + 6H(\dot{X} + 2HX)G_{4,\phi X} - 6H^2XG_{5,\phi\phi} + 2H^3X\dot{\phi}G_{5,\phi X}$

[De Felice,Tsujikawa JCAP 1202]

Horndeski Cosmology (perturbations)

- Scalar perturbations: $ds^2 = -(1 + 2\psi)dt^2 + a^2(1 - 2\phi)\delta_{ij}dx^i dx^j \Rightarrow L.H.S = R.H.S$
- No-ghost condition: $Q_s \equiv \frac{w_1(4w_1 w_3 + 9w_2^2)}{3w_2^2} > 0$
- No Laplacian instabilities condition: $c_s^2 \equiv \frac{3(2w_1^2 w_2 H - 4w_2^2 w_4 + 4w_1 w_2 \dot{w}_1 - 2w_1^2 \dot{w}_2) - 6w_1^2(\rho_m + p_m)}{w_1(4w_1 w_3 + 9w_2^2)} > 0$

with $w_1 \equiv 2(G_4 - 2XG_{4,X}) - 2X(G_{5,X}\dot{\phi}H - G_{5,\phi})$

$$\begin{aligned} w_2 \equiv & -2G_{3,X}X\dot{\phi} + 4G_4H - 16X^2G_{4,XX}H + 4(\dot{\phi}G_{4,\phi X} - 4HG_{4,X})X + 2G_{4,\phi}\dot{\phi} \\ & + 8X^2G_{5,\phi X}H + 2HX(6G_{5,\phi} - 5HG_{5,X}\dot{\phi}) - 4G_{5,XX}\dot{\phi}X^2H^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} w_3 \equiv & 3X(K_{,X} + 2XK_{,XX}) + 6X(3X\dot{\phi}HG_{3,XX} - G_{3,\phi X}X - G_{3,\phi} + 6\dot{\phi}HG_{3,X}) \\ & + 18H(4HX^3G_{4,XXX} - HG_4 - 5X\dot{\phi}G_{4,\phi X} - G_{4,\phi}\dot{\phi} + 7HG_{4,X}X + 16HX^2G_{4,XX} - 2X^2\dot{\phi}G_{4,X\phi X}) \\ & + 6H^2X(2H\dot{\phi}G_{5,XXX}X^2 - 6X^2G_{5,\phi XX} + 13XH\dot{\phi}G_{5,XX} - 27G_{5,\phi X}X + 15H\dot{\phi}G_{5,X} - 18G_{5,\phi}) \end{aligned}$$

$$w_4 \equiv 2G_4 - 2XG_{5,\phi} - 2XG_{5,X}\ddot{\phi}$$

Beyond Horndeski Theories

- Beyond Horndeski, free from Ostrogradski instabilities but still propagating 2+1 dof's:

$$L_{BH} = \sum_{i=2}^5 L_i$$

$$L_2 = L_2^H[A_2]$$

$$X = -\partial^\mu \phi \partial_\mu \phi / 2$$

$$A_i = A_i(\phi, X)$$

$$B_i = B_i(\phi, X)$$

$$L_3 = L_3^H[C_3 + 2XC_{3,X}] + L_2^H[XC_{3,\phi}]$$

$$L_4 = L_4^H[B_4] + L_3^H[C_4 + 2XC_{4,X}] + L_2^H[XC_{4,\phi}] - \frac{B_4 + A_4 - 2XB_{4,X}}{X^2} L^{gal1}$$

$$L_5 = L_5^H[G_4] + L_4^H[C_5] + L_3^H[D_5 + 2XD_{5,X}] + L_2^H[XD_{5,\phi}] + \frac{XB_{5,X} + 3A_5}{3(-X)^{5/2}} L^{gal2}$$

with

$$L^{gal1} = X[(\diamond\phi)^2 - (\nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \phi)(\nabla^\mu \nabla^\nu \phi)] - 2[(\nabla^\mu \phi \nabla^\nu \phi)(\nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \phi)(\diamond\phi) - (\nabla^\mu \phi)(\nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \phi)(\nabla_\lambda \phi)(\nabla^\lambda \nabla^\nu \phi)]$$

$$L^{gal2} = X[(\diamond\phi)^3 - 3(\diamond\phi)(\nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \phi)(\nabla^\mu \nabla^\nu \phi) + 2(\nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \phi)(\nabla^\nu \nabla^\rho \phi)(\nabla^\mu \nabla_\rho \phi)]$$

$$\begin{aligned} & - 3 \left[(\diamond\phi)^2 (\nabla_\mu \phi)(\nabla^\mu \nabla^\nu \phi)(\nabla_\nu \phi) - 2(\diamond\phi)(\nabla_\mu \phi)(\nabla^\mu \nabla^\nu \phi)(\nabla_\nu \nabla_\rho \phi)(\nabla^\rho \phi) \right. \\ & \left. - (\nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \phi)(\nabla^\mu \nabla^\nu \phi)(\nabla_\rho \phi)(\nabla^\rho \nabla^\lambda \phi)(\nabla_\lambda \phi) + 2(\nabla_\mu \phi)(\nabla^\mu \nabla^\nu \phi)(\nabla_\nu \nabla_\rho \phi)(\nabla^\rho \nabla^\lambda \phi)(\nabla_\lambda \phi) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$C_3 = \frac{1}{2} \int A_3(-X)^{-3/2} dX \quad C_5 = -\frac{1}{4} X \int B_{5,\phi}(-X)^{-3/2} dX$$

$$C_4 = - \int B_{4,\phi}(-X)^{-1/2} dX \quad D_5 = - \int C_{5,\phi}(-X)^{-1/2} dX \quad G_5 = - \int B_{5,X}(-X)^{-1/2} dX$$

- Primary constraint prevents the propagation of extra degrees of freedom

[Gleyzes, Langlois, Piazza, Vernizzi, PRL 114], [Crisostomi, Hull, Koyama, Tasinato, JCAP 1603]

Solving H0 tensions in Horndeski Gravity

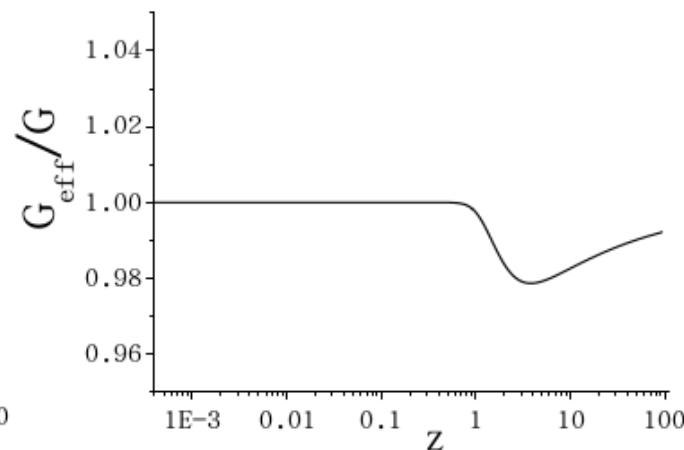
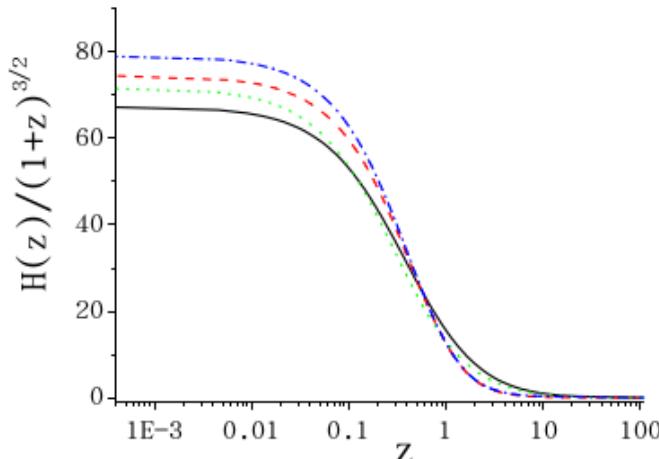
$$G_4 = 1/(16\pi G) \text{ and } G_3 = 0, \quad K = -V(\phi) + X$$

$$\rho_{DE} = 2X - K + 2H^3 X \dot{\phi} (5G_{5,X} + 2XG_{5,XX}),$$

$$p_{DE} = K - 2XG_{5,X} (2H^3 \dot{\phi} + 2H\dot{H}\dot{\phi} + 3H^2 \ddot{\phi}) - 4H^2 X^2 \ddot{\phi} G_{5,XX}$$

$$\frac{G_{eff}}{G} = \frac{1}{2} \left(G_4 - 2XG_{4,X} + XG_{5,\phi} - \dot{\phi} H X G_{5,X} \right)^{-1}$$

- Model I: $G_5(X) = \xi X^2$



Solving H0 tensions in Horndeski Gravity

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}{2} R + G_2(X) + G_3(X) \square \phi \right]$$

$$G_2(X) = -c_2 M_2^{4(1-p)} (-X/2)^p, \quad G_3(X) = -c_3 M_3^{1-4p_3} (-X/2)^{p_3}$$

$$H_0 = 72_{-5}^{+8} \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1} \text{ at } 95\% \text{ CL,}$$

[N. Frusciante, S. Peirone, L. Atayde, A. De Felice, PRD 101]

$$G_2(X) = a_1 X + a_2 X^2, \quad G_3(X) = 3a_3 X$$

$$H_0 = (69.3_{-3.0}^{+3.6}) \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1} \text{ at } 95\%$$

[S. Peirone, G. Benevento, N. Frusciante, S. Tsujikawa, PRD 100]

Bi-scalar Theories

- Modified gravity propagating 2+2 dof's

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} f(R, (\nabla R)^2, \hat{\phi}R)$$

- For $f(R, (\nabla R)^2, \hat{\phi}R) = K(R, (\nabla R)^2) + Q(R, (\nabla R)^2) \hat{\phi}R$ [Naruko, Yoshida, Mukohyama CQG 33]

$$\Rightarrow S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{1}{2} \hat{R} - \frac{1}{2} \hat{g}^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \chi \partial_\nu \chi - \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} e^{-\sqrt{2/3}\chi} \hat{g}^{\mu\nu} Q \partial_\mu \chi \partial_\nu \phi + \frac{1}{4} e^{-2\sqrt{2/3}\chi} K + \frac{1}{2} e^{-\sqrt{2/3}\chi} Q \hat{\phi} \phi - \frac{1}{4} e^{-\sqrt{2/3}\chi} \phi \right]$$

$$K = K(\phi, B), \quad G = G(\phi, B), \quad B = 2e^{\sqrt{2/3}\chi} g^{\mu\nu} \nabla_\mu \phi \nabla_\nu \phi$$

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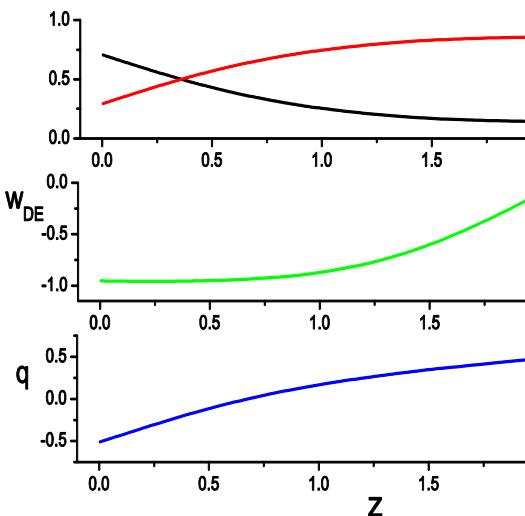
$$\Rightarrow S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{1}{2} \hat{R} - \frac{1}{2} \hat{g}^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \chi \partial_\nu \chi - \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} e^{-\sqrt{2/3}\chi} \hat{g}^{\mu\nu} Q \partial_\mu \chi \partial_\nu \phi + \frac{1}{4} e^{-2\sqrt{2/3}\chi} K + \frac{1}{2} e^{-\sqrt{2/3}\chi} Q \triangle \phi - \frac{1}{4} e^{-\sqrt{2/3}\chi} \phi \right]$$

$$K = K(\phi, B), \quad G = G(\phi, B), \quad B = 2e^{\sqrt{2/3}\chi} g^{\mu\nu} \nabla_\mu \phi \nabla_\nu \phi$$

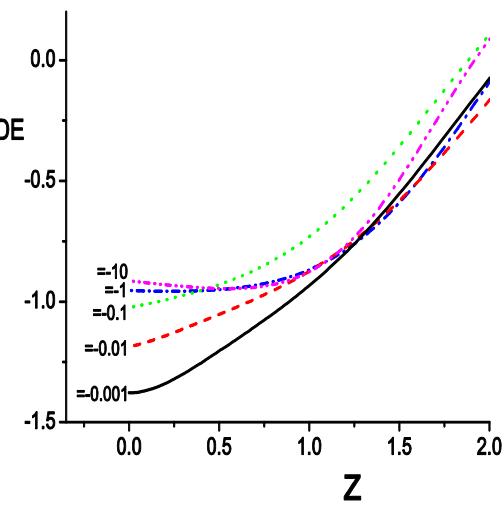
- e.g.: $K(\phi, B) = \frac{\phi}{2}, \quad G(\phi, B) = \xi B$

$$\rho_{DE} = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\chi}^2 - \frac{1}{8} e^{-2\sqrt{2/3}\chi} \left(1 - 2e^{\sqrt{2/3}\chi} \right) \phi - \xi \dot{\phi}^2 \left(\sqrt{6} \dot{\chi} - 6H \right)$$

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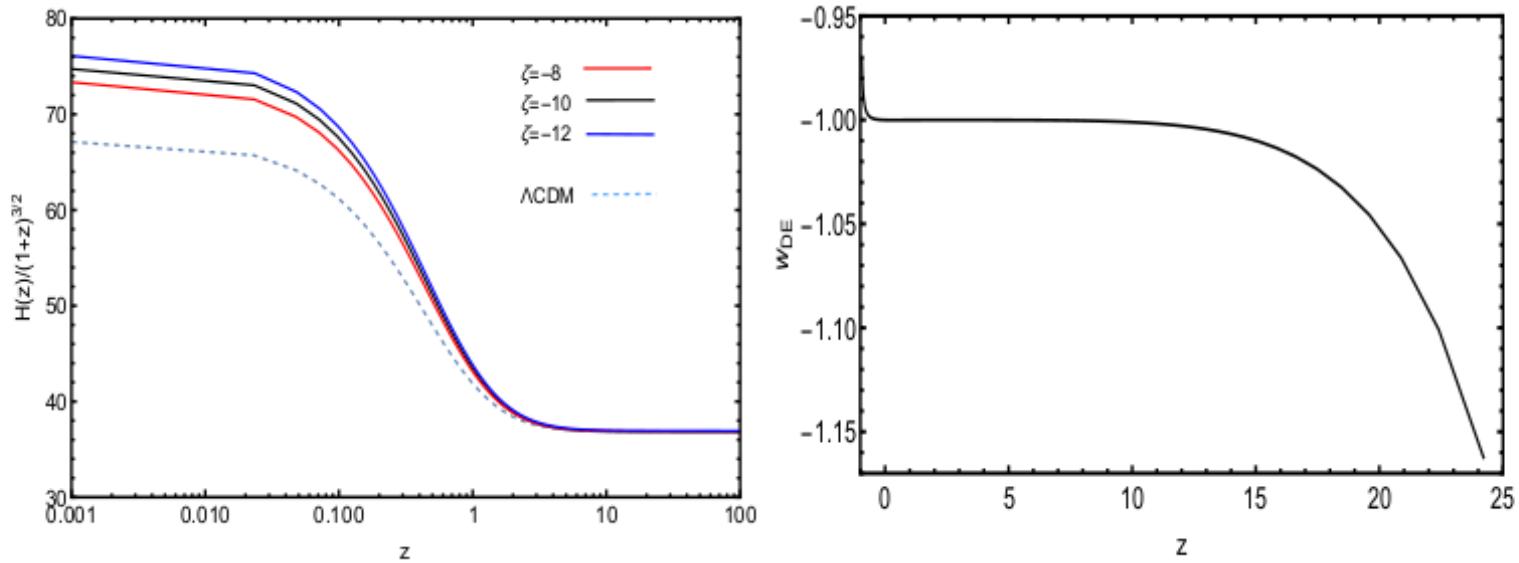


[Saridakis, Tsoukalas PRD 93]



Solving H₀ tensions in Bi-scalar Gravity

- Model I: $\mathcal{K}(\phi, B) = \frac{1}{2}\phi - \frac{\zeta}{2}B$ and $\mathcal{G}(\phi, B) = 0$



[M. Petronikolou, E.N.Saridakis, Universe 9]

Running Vacuum

- Upgrade the cosmological constant Λ (vacuum energy) to a running vacuum:

$$3H^2 = 8\pi G(H) (\rho_m + \rho_r + \rho_\Lambda(H))$$

$$3H^2 + 2\dot{H} = -8\pi G(H) (p_r - \rho_\Lambda(H))$$

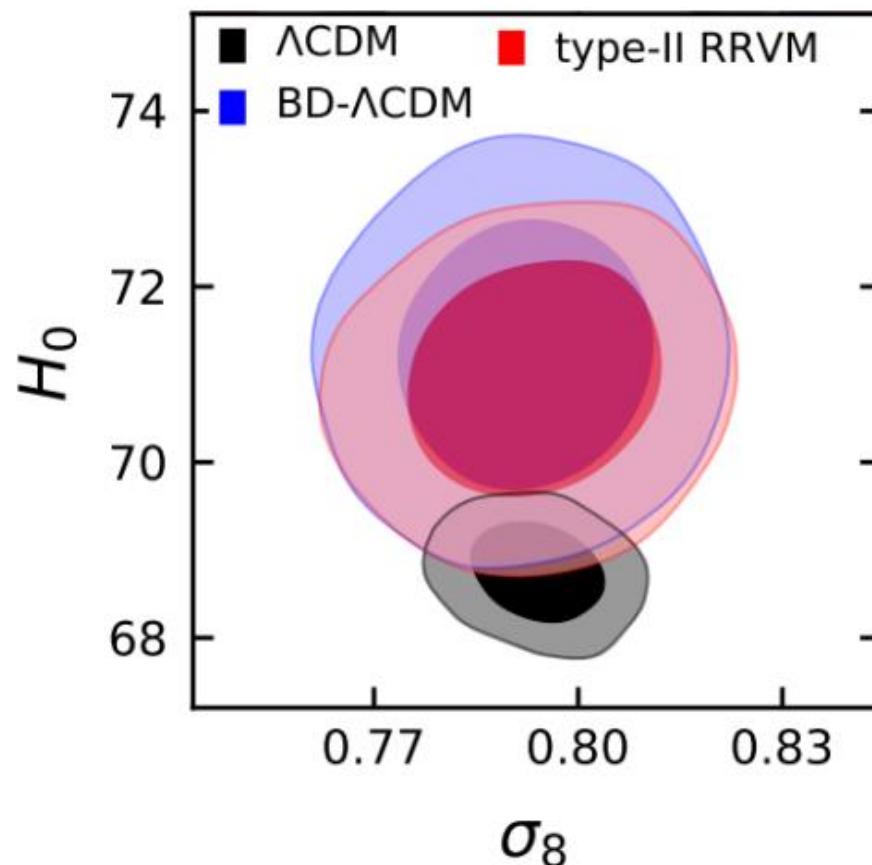
$$p_{\text{RVM}}^{\text{vac}} = -\rho_{\text{RVM}}^{\text{vac}}$$

$$\rho_\Lambda(H; \nu, \alpha) = \frac{3}{8\pi G} \left(c_0 + \nu H^2 + \frac{2}{3} \alpha \dot{H} \right) + \mathcal{O}(H^4)$$

[Sola, Gomez-Valent, Perez Astrophys. J 836]

[Basilakos, Polarski, Sola PRD86]

Solving the tensions in Running Vacuum



[J. Sola, A. Gomez-Valent, J. de Cruz Perez, C. MorenoPulido CQG 37]

“Those that do not know geometry are not allowed to enter”.
Front Door of Plato’s Academy



Descriptions of Gravity

- Einstein 1916: **General Relativity:**
energy-momentum source of spacetime Curvature
Levi-Civita connection: Zero Torsion
- Einstein 1928: **Teleparallel Equivalent of GR:**
Weitzenbock connection: Zero Curvature

[Cai, Capozziello, De Laurentis, Saridakis, Rept.Prog.Phys. 79]

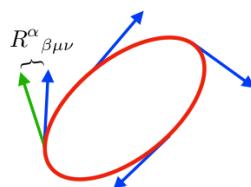
$$\left\{_{\mu\nu}^{\alpha}\right\} = \frac{1}{2}g^{\alpha\lambda}(g_{\lambda\nu,\mu} + g_{\mu\lambda,\nu} - g_{\mu\nu,\lambda}). \quad (1.3)$$

The corresponding covariant derivative will be denoted by \mathcal{D} so that we will have $\mathcal{D}_\alpha g_{\mu\nu} = 0$. A general connection $\Gamma^\alpha_{\mu\nu}$ then admits the following convenient decomposition:

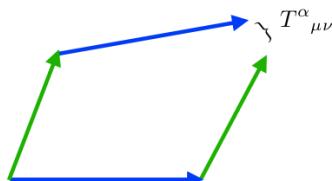
$$\Gamma^\alpha_{\mu\nu} = \left\{_{\mu\nu}^{\alpha}\right\} + K^\alpha_{\mu\nu} + L^\alpha_{\mu\nu} \quad (1.4)$$

with

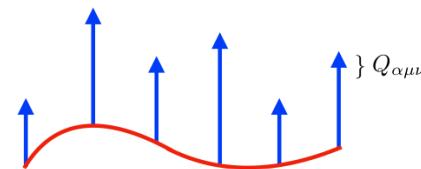
$$K^\alpha_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2}T^\alpha_{\mu\nu} + T_{(\mu}^{\alpha}{}_{\nu)}, \quad L^\alpha_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2}Q^\alpha_{\mu\nu} - Q_{(\mu}^{\alpha}{}_{\nu)} \quad (1.5)$$



The rotation of a vector transported along a closed curve is given by the curvature: General Relativity.



The non-closure of parallelograms formed when two vectors are transported along each other is given by the torsion: Teleparallel Equivalent of General Relativity.



The variation of the length of a vector as it is transported is given by the non-metricity: Symmetric Teleparallel Equivalent of General Relativity.

Metric-Affine Modified Gravity

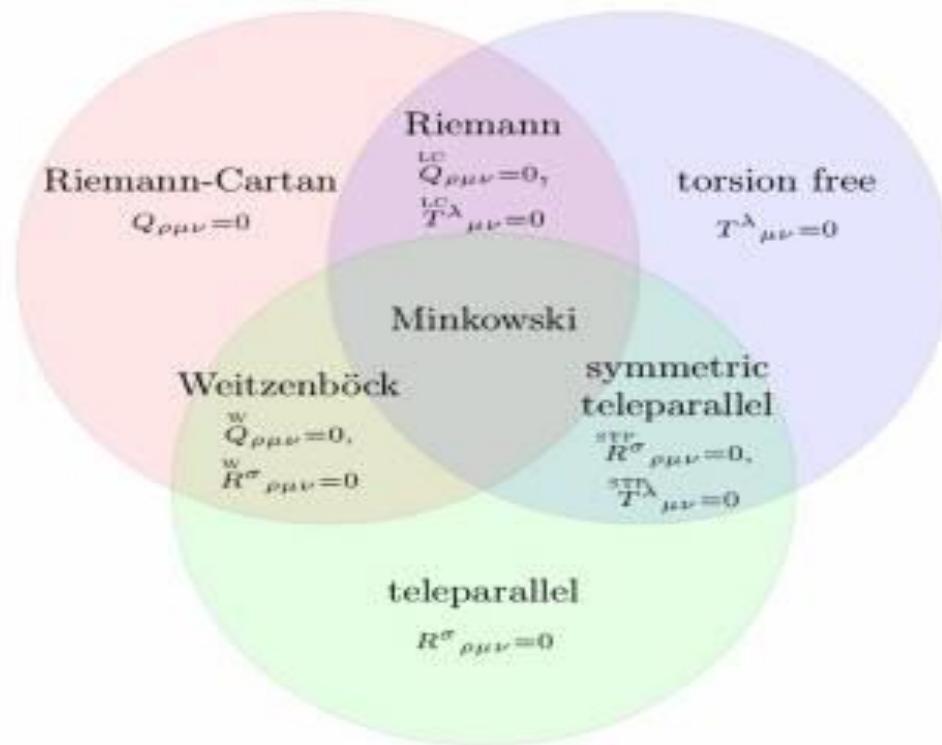


FIG. 1. Subclasses of metric-affine geometry, depending on the properties of connection.

$$S_{\text{GR}} = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int \left\{ g^{\mu\nu} \hat{R}_{\mu\nu} + \lambda_{(1)}^{\mu\nu\lambda} T_{\mu\nu\lambda} + \lambda_{(2)}^{\mu\nu\lambda} Q_{\mu\nu\lambda} \right\} \sqrt{-g} d^4x ,$$

$$S_{\text{total}} = S_{\text{GR}} + S_{\text{matter}} ,$$

Curvature and Torsion

- **Vierbeins** e_A^μ : four linearly independent fields in the **tangent space**

$$g_{\mu\nu}(x) = \eta_{AB} e_\mu^A(x) e_\nu^B(x)$$

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- **Levi-Civita connection and Contortion tensor**: $\omega_{ABC} = \Gamma_{ABC} + K_{ABC}$

$$K_{ABC} = \frac{1}{2} (T_{CAB} - T_{BCA} - T_{ABC}) = -K_{BAC}$$

- **Curvature and Torsion Scalars**:

$$R = \bar{R} + T - 2 \left(T_\nu^{\nu\mu} \right)_{;\mu}$$

$$R = g^{\mu\nu} R_{\mu\nu} = g^{\mu\nu} R_{\mu\rho\nu}^\rho$$

$$T = \frac{1}{4} T^{\rho\mu\nu} T_{\rho\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} T^{\rho\mu\nu} T_{\nu\mu\rho} - T_{\rho\mu}^\rho T_\nu^{\nu\mu}$$

Additional motivation

- **Gauge Principle:** global symmetries replaced by local ones:
The group generators give rise to the compensating fields
It works perfect for the standard model of strong, weak and E/M interactions
 $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$
- Can we apply this to gravity?

Additional motivation

- Formulating the **gauge theory** of gravity
(mainly after 1960):
 - Start from **Special Relativity**
 - ⇒ Apply (Weyl-Yang-Mills) **gauge principle** to its Poincaré-group symmetries
 - ⇒ Get **Poincaré gauge theory**:
Both curvature and torsion appear as field strengths
- **Torsion** is the **field strength** of the translational group
(**Teleparallel** and **Einstein-Cartan** theories are subcases of **Poincaré** theory)

Additional motivation

- One could **extend** the gravity gauge group (SUSY, conformal, scale, metric affine transformations) obtaining **SUGRA, conformal, Weyl, metric affine gauge theories of gravity**
- In all of them **torsion** is always related to the gauge structure.
- Thus, a possible way towards **gravity quantization** would need to bring **torsion** into gravity description.

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- Lagrangian** (imposing coordinate, Lorentz, parity invariance, and up to 2nd order in torsion tensor)

$$L \equiv T = \frac{1}{4} T^{\rho\mu\nu} T_{\rho\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} T^{\rho\mu\nu} T_{\nu\mu\rho} - T_{\rho\mu}^\rho T_\nu^{\nu\mu}$$

- Completely equivalent** with **GR** at the level of **equations**

$f(T)$ Gravity and $f(T)$ Cosmology

- **$f(T)$ Gravity:** Simplest torsion-based modified gravity
- Generalize T to $f(T)$ (inspired by $f(R)$)

$$S = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^4x e [T + f(T)] + S_m$$

- Equations of motion:

$$e^{-1} \partial_\mu (ee_A^\rho S_\rho^{\mu\nu}) (1 + f_T) - e_A^\lambda T_{\mu\lambda}^\rho S_\rho^{\nu\mu} + e_A^\rho S_\rho^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu (T) f_{TT} - \frac{1}{4} e_A^\nu [T + f(T)] = 4\pi G e_A^\rho T_\rho^{\nu\{\text{EM}\}}$$

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- **f(T) Cosmology:** Apply in FRW geometry:

$$e_\mu^A = \text{diag}(1, a, a, a) \Rightarrow ds^2 = dt^2 - a^2(t)\delta_{ij}dx^i dx^j \quad (\text{not unique choice})$$

- Friedmann equations:

$$H^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3}\rho_m - \frac{f(T)}{6} - 2f_T H^2$$

- Find easily

$$T = -6H^2$$

$$\dot{H} = -\frac{4\pi G(\rho_m + p_m)}{1 + f_T - 12H^2} f_{TT}$$

f(T) Cosmology: Background

- Effective **Dark Energy** sector:

$$\rho_{DE} \equiv \frac{3}{8\pi G_N} \left[-\frac{f}{6} + \frac{T f_T}{3} \right],$$

$$P_{DE} \equiv \frac{1}{16\pi G_N} \left[\frac{f - f_T T + 2T^2 f_{TT}}{1 + f_T + 2T f_{TT}} \right]$$

$$w_{DE} = -\frac{f - T f_T + 2T^2 f_{TT}}{[1 + f_T + 2T f_{TT}] [f - 2T f_T]}$$

[Linder PRD 82]

- Interesting cosmological behavior: **Late-time acceleration, Inflation etc**

[Cai, Capozziello, De Laurentis, Saridakis, Rept.Prog.Phys. 79]

f(T) Cosmology: Background

- Re-write Friedmann Equation as:

$$E^2(z, \mathbf{r}) = \Omega_{m0}(1+z)^3 + \Omega_{r0}(1+z)^4 + \Omega_{F0}y(z, \mathbf{r})$$

with $E^2(z) \equiv \frac{H^2(z)}{H_0^2} = \frac{T(z)}{T_0}$ and $\Omega_{F0} = 1 - \Omega_{m0} - \Omega_{r0}$,

- $y(z, \mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{T_0 \Omega_{F0}} [f - 2T f_T]$ quantifies the deviation from Λ CDM
(for $f=\text{const.}$ we obtain Λ CDM)

f(T) Cosmology: Perturbations

- For scalar perturbations:

$$e_\mu^0 = \delta_\mu^0(1+\psi), \quad e_\mu^\alpha = \delta_\mu^\alpha \alpha(1-\phi)$$

$$\Rightarrow ds^2 = (1+2\psi)dt^2 - a^2(1-2\phi)\delta_i dx^i dx^j$$

- Obtain Perturbation Equations.

$$\ddot{\delta} + 2H\dot{\delta} - 4\pi G_{\text{eff}} \rho \delta \approx 0$$

$$Q(a) = \frac{G_{\text{eff}}(a)}{G_N} = \frac{1}{1+f_T}$$

[Chen, Dent, Dutta, Saridakis PRD 83],
 [Dent, Dutta, Saridakis JCAP 1101]

$$\begin{aligned}\delta T_0^0 &= -\delta\rho_m \\ \delta T_0^i &= a^{-2}(\rho_m + p_m)(-\partial_i\delta u) \\ \delta T_i^0 &= (\rho_m + p_m)(\partial_i\delta u) \\ \delta T_i^j &= \delta_{ij}\delta p_m + \partial_i\partial_j\pi^S.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}E_0^0 &\equiv (1+f'_0)(\nabla^2\phi) + 6(1+f'_0)H\dot{\phi} \\ &\quad + 6(1+f'_0)H^2\psi - 3f'_1H^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{T_1+f_1}{4} = -4\pi G\delta\rho_m, \\ E_0^i &\equiv (1+f'_0)\partial_i\dot{\phi} + (1+f'_0)H\partial_i\psi \\ &\quad - 12H\dot{H}f''_0\partial_i\phi = -4\pi G(\rho_m + p_m)\partial_i\delta u, \\ E_a^0 &\equiv 12H^2\partial_i\delta_a^i(\dot{\phi} + H\psi)f''_0 - (1+f'_0)\partial_i\delta_a^i(\dot{\phi} + H\psi) \\ &\quad = 4\pi G(\rho_m + p_m)\partial_i\delta_a^i\delta u,\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}E_a^i\delta_a^a &\equiv \frac{f'_1}{a}(-3H^2 - \dot{H}) + \frac{f''_1}{a}(12H^2\dot{H}) \\ &\quad - \frac{(1+f'_0)}{2a}\sum_{b \neq a}\partial^j\delta_j^b\partial_i\delta_b^i(\psi - \phi) \\ &\quad - \frac{\phi(T_0+f_0)}{4a} - \frac{T_1+f_1}{4a} \\ &\quad + \frac{(1+f'_0)}{a}[6H\dot{\phi} + 6H^2\psi - 3H^2\phi \\ &\quad + \ddot{\phi} + \dot{H}(2\psi - \phi) + H\dot{\psi}] \\ &\quad + \frac{f''_0}{a}(-24H\dot{H}\dot{\phi} - 48\psi H^2\dot{H} - 12H^2\ddot{\phi} \\ &\quad - 12H^3\dot{\psi} + 12H^2\dot{H}\phi) \\ &\quad = \frac{4\pi G}{a}(\rho_m\phi + \delta p_m), \\ E_{b:b \neq a}^i\delta_a^a &\equiv \frac{(1+f'_0)}{2}\partial_j\delta_b^j\partial^i\delta_a^a(\phi - \psi) \\ &\quad = 4\pi Ga^2\partial_j\delta_b^j\partial^i\delta_a^a\pi^S\end{aligned}$$

Viable f(T) models

- 1) Power-law model (f1CDM)

$$f(T) = \alpha(-T)^b \quad \alpha = (6H_0^2)^{1-b} \frac{\Omega_{F0}}{2b-1}$$

$$y(z, b) = E^{2b}(z, b)$$

$$G_{\text{eff}}(z) = \frac{G_N}{1 + \frac{b\Omega_{F0}}{(1-2b)E^{2(1-b)}}}$$

- 2) The Linder model (f2CDM)

$$f(T) = \alpha T_0 (1 - e^{-p\sqrt{T/T_0}})$$

$$y(z, p) = \frac{1 - (1 + pE)e^{-pE}}{1 - (1 + p)e^{-p}}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\Omega_{F0}}{1 - (1 + p)e^{-p}}$$

$$G_{\text{eff}}(z) = \frac{G_N}{1 + \frac{\Omega_{F0}p e^{-pE}}{2E[1-(1+p)e^{-p}]}}$$

- 3) The exponential model (f3CDM)

$$f(T) = \alpha T_0 (1 - e^{-pT/T_0})$$

$$y(z, p) = \frac{1 - (1 + 2pE^2)e^{-pE^2}}{1 - (1 + 2p)e^{-p}}$$

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Efficient model independent requirements to solve the tensions

We consider a correction in the first Friedmann equation of the form

$$H(z) = -\frac{d(z)}{4} + \sqrt{\frac{d^2(z)}{16} + H_{\Lambda\text{CDM}}^2(z)}, \quad (2)$$

where $H_{\Lambda\text{CDM}}(z) \equiv H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_m(1+z)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda}$ is the Hubble rate in ΛCDM , with $\Omega_m = \rho_m/(3M_p^2 H^2)$ the matter density parameter and primes denote derivatives with respect to z .

- If $d < 0$ and is suitably chosen, one can have $H(z \rightarrow z_{\text{CMB}}) \approx H_{\Lambda\text{CDM}}(z \rightarrow z_{\text{CMB}})$ but $H(z \rightarrow 0) > H_{\Lambda\text{CDM}}(z \rightarrow 0)$; i.e., the H_0 tension is solved [one should choose $|d(z)| < H(z)$, and thus, since $H(z)$ decreases for smaller z , the deviation from ΛCDM will be significant only at low redshift].
- Since the friction term in (1) increases, the growth of structure gets damped, and therefore, the σ_8 tension is also solved.

Solving H0 and S8 tensions in $f(T)$ Gravity

- We consider the following ansatz:

$$f(T) = -[T + 6H_0^2(1 - \Omega_{m0}) + F(T)], \quad (9)$$

where $F(T)$ describes the deviation from GR

The first Friedmann equation becomes

$$T(z) + 2\frac{F'(z)}{T'(z)}T(z) - F(z) = 6H_{\Lambda CDM}^2(z). \quad (10)$$

- In order to solve the H_0 tension, we need

$T(0) = 6H_0^2 \simeq 6(H_0^{CC})^2$, with $H_0^{CC} = 74.03 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$, while in the early era of $z \gtrsim 1100$ we require the Universe expansion to evolve as in Λ CDM, namely

$$H(z \gtrsim 1100) \simeq H_{\Lambda CDM}(z \gtrsim 1100)$$

This implies $F(z)|_{z \gtrsim 1100} \simeq cT^{1/2}(z)$ (the value $c = 0$ corresponds to standard GR, while for $c \neq 0$ we obtain Λ CDM too).

Solving H0 and S8 tensions in $f(T)$ Gravity

The effective gravitational coupling is given by

$$G_{\text{eff}} = \frac{G_N}{1 + F_T} . \quad (11)$$

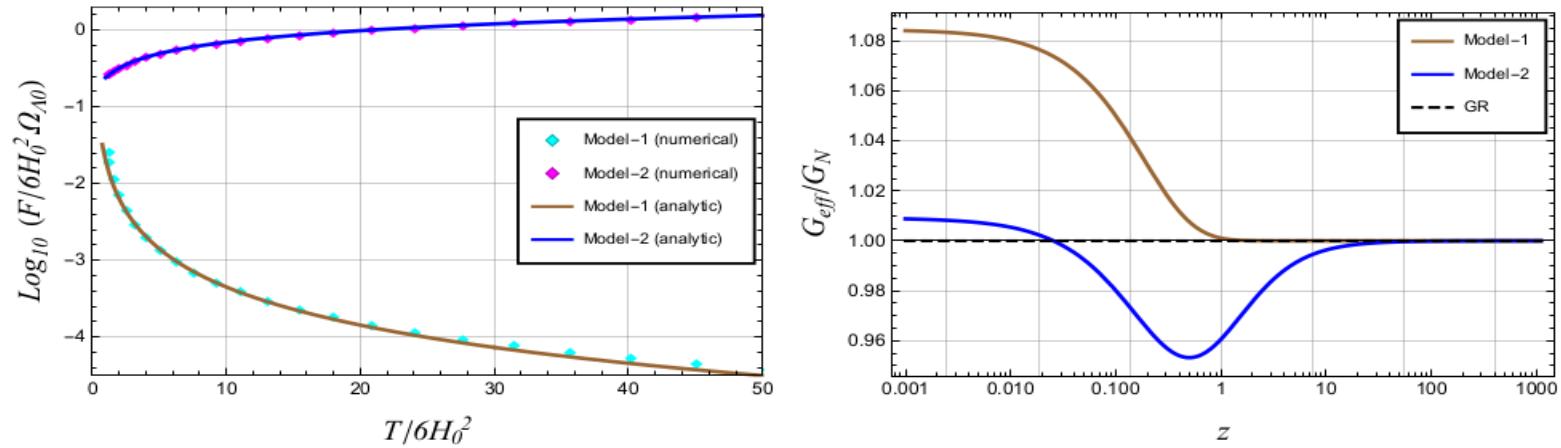
Therefore, the perturbation equation becomes

$$\delta'' + \left[\frac{T'(z)}{2T(z)} - \frac{1}{1+z} \right] \delta' = \frac{9H_0^2 \Omega_{m0}(1+z)}{[1+F'(z)/T'(z)]T(z)} \delta . \quad (12)$$

Since around the last scattering moment $z \gtrsim 1100$ the Universe should be matter-dominated, we impose $\delta'(z)|_{z \gtrsim 1100} \simeq -\frac{1}{1+z}\delta(z)$, while at late times we look for $\delta(z)$ that leads to an $f\sigma_8$ in agreement with redshift survey observations.

Solving H_0 and σ_8 tensions in $f(T)$ Gravity

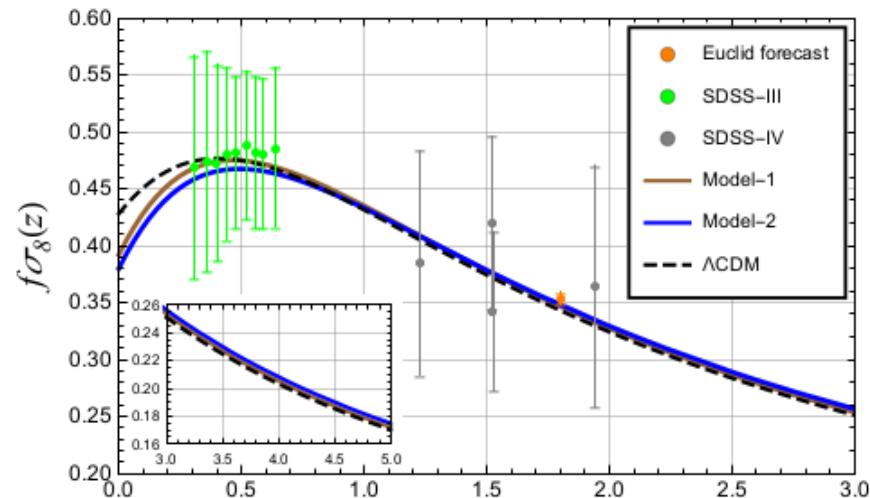
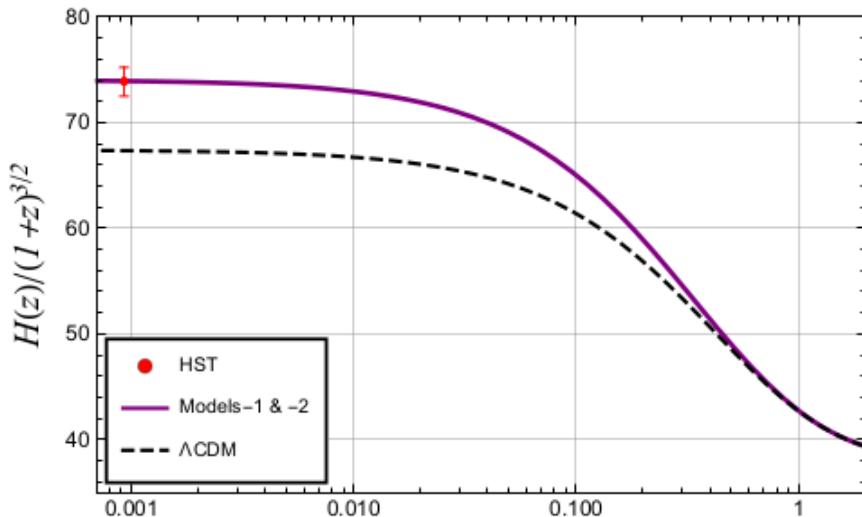
By solving (10) and (12) with initial and boundary conditions at $z \sim 0$ and $z \sim 1100$, we can find the functional forms for the free functions of the $f(T)$ gravity that we consider, namely, $T(z)$ and $F(z)$, that can alleviate both H_0 and σ_8 tensions.



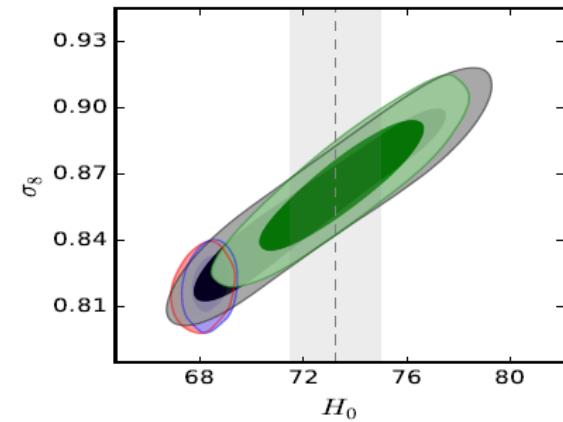
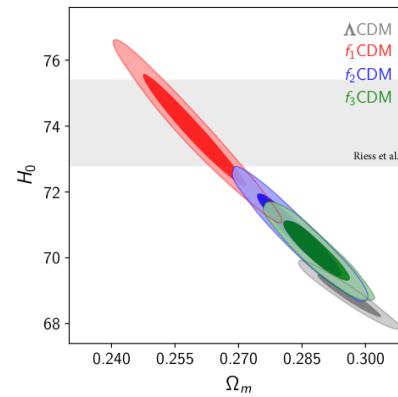
$$\text{Model-1: } F(T) \approx 375.47 \left(\frac{T}{6H_0^2} \right)^{-1.65}$$

$$\text{Model-2: } F(T) \approx 375.47 \left(\frac{T}{6H_0^2} \right)^{-1.65} + 25 T^{1/2}.$$

Solving H₀ and S₈ tensions in f(T) Gravity



Parameter	CMB + BAO	CMB + BAO + H_0
$10^2 \omega_b$	$2.235^{+0.013}_{-0.013}$	$2.235^{+0.013}_{-0.013}$
ω_{cdm}	$0.1181^{+0.001}_{-0.001}$	$0.118^{+0.001}_{-0.001}$
$100\theta_s$	$1.041^{+0.00027}_{-0.00027}$	$1.041^{+0.00030}_{-0.00027}$
$\ln 10^{10} A_s$	$3.078^{+0.023}_{-0.023}$	$3.08^{+0.022}_{-0.022}$
n_s	$0.9678^{+0.0039}_{-0.0039}$	$0.9684^{+0.0039}_{-0.0044}$
τ_{reio}	$0.073^{+0.012}_{-0.013}$	$0.075^{+0.012}_{-0.012}$
n	$0.0043^{+0.0033}_{-0.0039}$	$0.0054^{+0.0020}_{-0.0020}$
$\log \alpha$	$10.00^{+0.081}_{-0.12}$	$10.03^{+0.06}_{-0.06}$
$\Omega_F 0$	$0.73^{+0.021}_{-0.028}$	$0.738^{+0.015}_{-0.015}$
H_0	$72.4^{+3.3}_{-4.1}$	$73.5^{+2.1}_{-2.1}$
σ_8	$0.855^{+0.023}_{-0.033}$	$0.866^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$
$\chi^2_{min}/2$	6480.48	6482.27

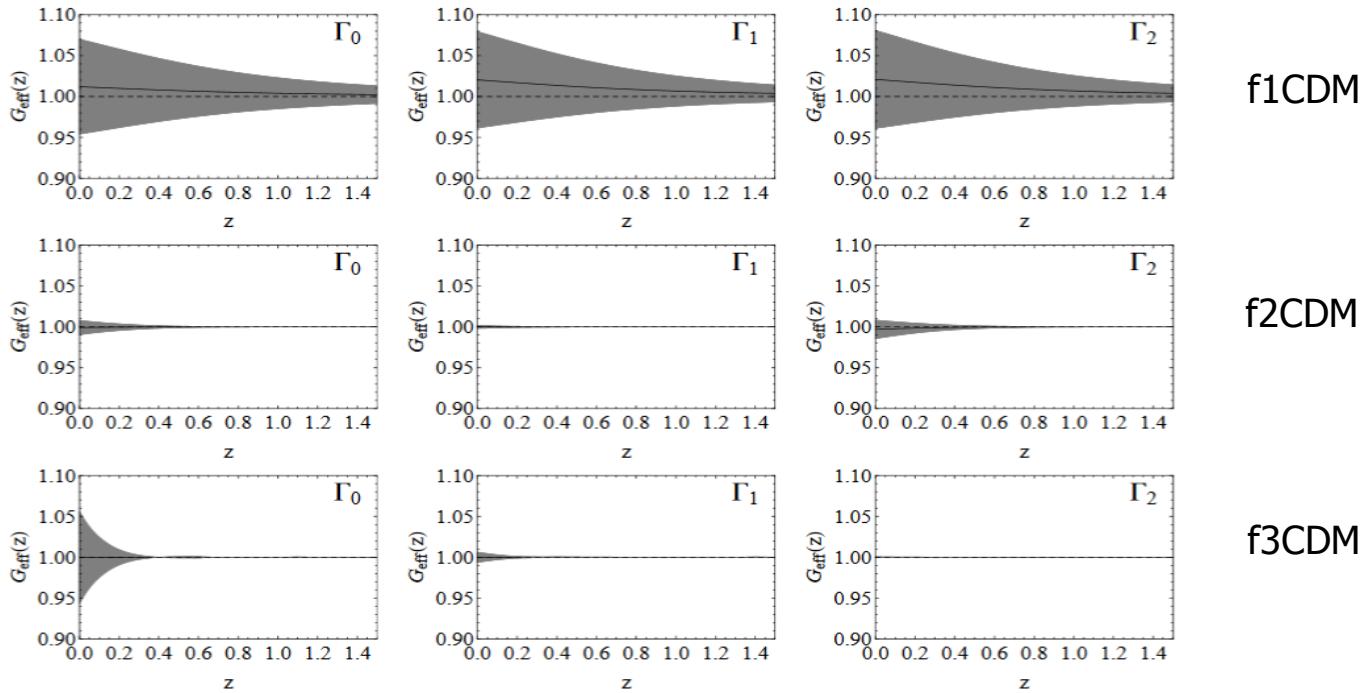


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Viable f(T) models



- In **f(T) gravity** we can indeed obtain $G_{\text{eff}}/G_N < 1$ for $z < 2$, without affecting the background evolution.
- f08 tension** may be **alleviated**. [Nesseris, Basilakos, Saridakis, Perivolaropoulos, PRD 88]

In other modified gravities: Not possible

- This behavior **is not possible** in other **modified gravities**. e.g.:

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left(\frac{1}{2} f(R, \phi, X) + \mathcal{L}_m \right) \quad X = -g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi$$

$$G_{\text{eff}}(a, k)/G_N = \frac{1}{F} \frac{f_{,X} + 4 \left(f_{,X} \frac{k^2}{a^2} \frac{F_{,R}}{F} + \frac{F_{,\phi}^2}{F} \right)}{f_{,X} + 3 \left(f_{,X} \frac{k^2}{a^2} \frac{F_{,R}}{F} + \frac{F_{,\phi}^2}{F} \right)} \quad F = F(R, \phi, X) = \partial_R f(R, \phi, X)$$

- $G_{\text{eff}}/G_N > 1$ for all models that **do not have ghosts** (i.e. with $f_{RR}, f_{R\bar{R}} > 0$).
- On the contrary, **f(T) gravity** has **second-order field equations** and moreover **perturbations are stable** in a large part of the parameter phase.

f(Q) gravity

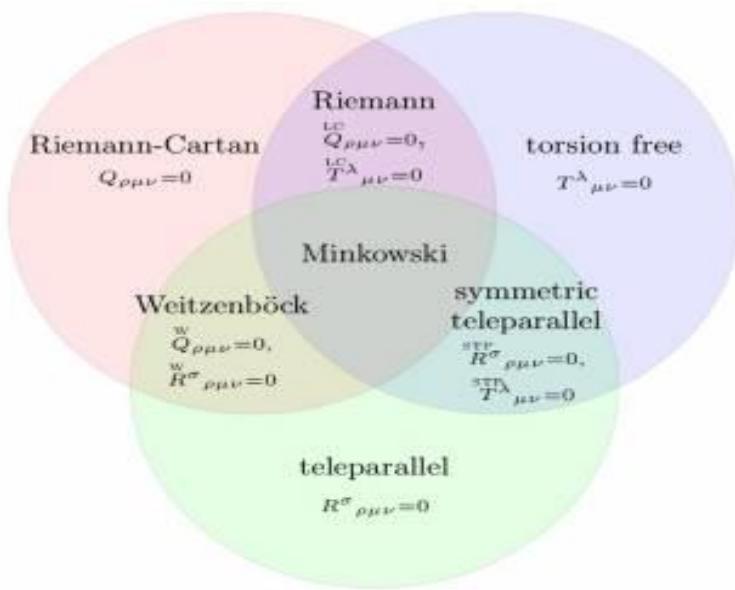


FIG. 1. Subclasses of metric-affine geometry, depending on the properties of connection.

affine connection $\Gamma_{\mu\nu}^\alpha$ can be decomposed as

$$\Gamma_{\mu\nu}^\alpha = \hat{\Gamma}_{\mu\nu}^\alpha + K_{\mu\nu}^\alpha + L_{\mu\nu}^\alpha, \quad (1)$$

where $\hat{\Gamma}_{\mu\nu}^\alpha$ is the Levi-Civita connection,

$$K_{\mu\nu}^\alpha = \frac{1}{2} T_{\mu\nu}^\alpha + T_{(\mu}{}^{\alpha}{}_{\nu)} \quad (2)$$

is the contortion tensor with $T_{\mu\nu}^\alpha$ the torsion tensor, and

$$L_{\mu\nu}^\alpha = \frac{1}{2} Q_{\mu\nu}^\alpha - Q_{(\mu}{}^{\alpha}{}_{\nu)} \quad (3)$$

is the disformation tensor arising from the non-metricity

$$Q_{\alpha\mu\nu} \equiv \nabla_\alpha g_{\mu\nu}, \quad (4)$$

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$$T^\lambda_{\mu\nu} \equiv \Gamma^\lambda_{\mu\nu} - \Gamma^\lambda_{\nu\mu}$$

$$R^\sigma_{\rho\mu\nu} \equiv \partial_\mu \Gamma^\sigma_{\nu\rho} - \partial_\nu \Gamma^\sigma_{\mu\rho} + \Gamma^\alpha_{\nu\rho} \Gamma^\sigma_{\mu\alpha} - \Gamma^\alpha_{\mu\rho} \Gamma^\sigma_{\nu\alpha} \quad (5)$$

while the nonmetricity can be expressed as

$$Q_{\rho\mu\nu} \equiv \nabla_\rho g_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\rho g_{\mu\nu} - \Gamma^\beta_{\rho\mu} g_{\beta\nu} - \Gamma^\beta_{\rho\nu} g_{\mu\beta}. \quad (6)$$

$$Q = -\frac{1}{4} Q_{\alpha\beta\gamma} Q^{\alpha\beta\gamma} + \frac{1}{2} Q_{\alpha\beta\gamma} Q^{\gamma\beta\alpha} + \frac{1}{4} Q_\alpha Q^\alpha - \frac{1}{2} Q_\alpha \tilde{Q}^\alpha, \quad (7)$$

where $Q_\alpha \equiv Q^\mu_{\alpha\mu}$, and $\tilde{Q}^\alpha \equiv Q^\mu_\mu$.

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$$S = -\frac{1}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} f(Q). \quad (8)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{2}{\sqrt{-g}} \nabla_\alpha \left\{ \sqrt{-g} g_{\beta\nu} f_Q \left[-\frac{1}{2} L^{\alpha\mu\beta} + \frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\beta} (Q^\alpha - \tilde{Q}^\alpha) \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. - \frac{1}{8} (g^{\alpha\mu} Q^\beta + g^{\alpha\beta} Q^\mu) \right] \right\} \\ & + f_Q \left[-\frac{1}{2} L^{\mu\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{8} (g^{\mu\alpha} Q^\beta + g^{\mu\beta} Q^\alpha) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{1}{4} g^{\alpha\beta} (Q^\mu - \tilde{Q}^\mu) \right] Q_{\nu\alpha\beta} + \frac{1}{2} \delta_\nu^\mu f = T_\nu^\mu, \quad (9) \end{aligned}$$

with $f_Q = \partial f / \partial Q$.

$f(Q)$ cosmology

■ Background:

$$\begin{aligned} 6f_Q H^2 - \frac{1}{2}f &= \rho_m, \\ (12H^2 f_{QQ} + f_Q) \dot{H} &= -\frac{1}{2}(\rho_m + p_m). \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

$$Q = 6H^2, \quad (12)$$

f(Q) cosmology

■ Perturbations:

$$\begin{aligned} -a^2 \delta \rho = & 6(f_Q + 12a^{-2}\mathcal{H}^2 f_{QQ}) \mathcal{H}(\mathcal{H}\phi + \varphi') + 2f_Q k^2 \psi \\ & - 2[f_Q + 3a^{-2}f_{QQ}(\mathcal{H}' + \mathcal{H}^2)] \mathcal{H}k^2 B. \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2}a^2(\rho + p)v = & [f_Q + 3a^{-2}f_{QQ}(\mathcal{H}' + \mathcal{H}^2)] \mathcal{H}\phi \\ & + 6a^{-2}f_{QQ}\mathcal{H}^2\varphi' - 9a^{-2}f_{QQ}(\mathcal{H}' - \mathcal{H}^2)\mathcal{H}\varphi \\ & + f_Q\psi' - a^{-2}f_{QQ}\mathcal{H}^2k^2B, \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2}a^2\delta p = & (f_Q + 12a^{-2}f_{QQ}\mathcal{H}^2)(\mathcal{H}\phi' + \varphi'') + \left[f_Q \left(\mathcal{H}' + 2\mathcal{H}^2 - \frac{1}{3}k^2 \right) + 12a^{-2}f_{QQ}\mathcal{H}^2(4\mathcal{H}' - \mathcal{H}^2) + 12a^{-2}\frac{df_{QQ}}{d\tau}\mathcal{H}^3 \right] \phi \\ & + 2 \left[f_Q + 6a^{-2}f_{QQ}(3\mathcal{H}' - \mathcal{H}^2) + 6a^{-2}\frac{df_{QQ}}{d\tau}\mathcal{H} \right] \mathcal{H}\varphi' + \frac{1}{3}f_Qk^2\psi \\ & - \frac{1}{3}(f_Q + 6a^{-2}f_{QQ}\mathcal{H}^2)k^2B' - \frac{1}{3} \left[2f_Q + 3a^{-2}f_{QQ}(5\mathcal{H} - \mathcal{H}^2) + 6a^{-2}\frac{df_{QQ}}{d\tau}\mathcal{H} \right] \mathcal{H}k^2B, \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

f(Q) cosmology

■ Perturbations:

$$\delta' = (1+w) (-k^2 v - k^2 B + 3\varphi') + 3\mathcal{H} \left(w\rho - \frac{\delta p}{\rho} \right), \quad (22)$$

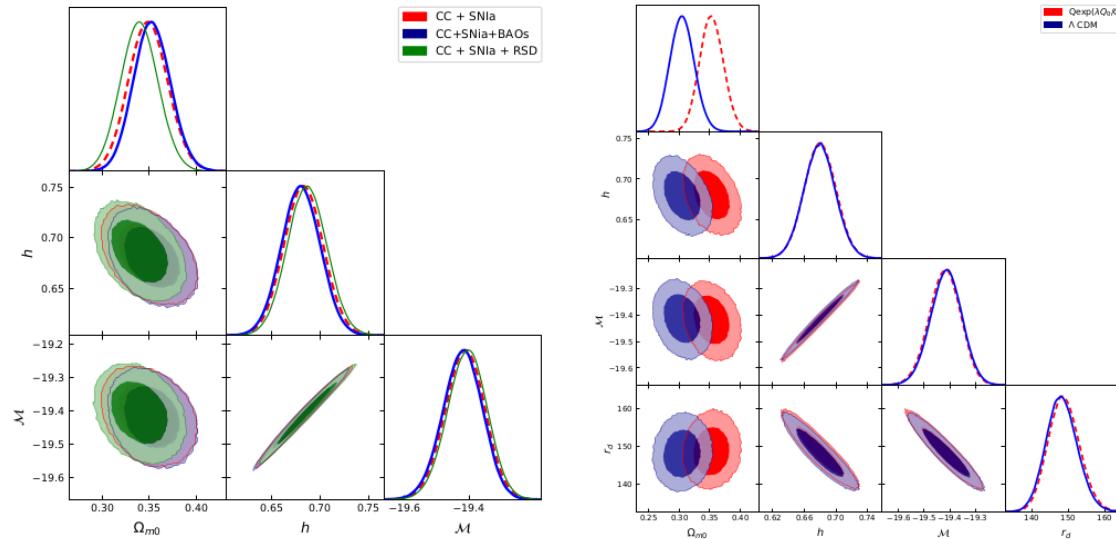
$$v' = -\mathcal{H} (1 - c_s^2) v + \frac{\delta p}{\rho + p} + \phi. \quad (23)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & - f_{QQ} \mathcal{H} [2\mathcal{H}\varphi' + (\mathcal{H}' + \mathcal{H}^2) \phi + (\mathcal{H}' - \mathcal{H}^2) (\psi - B')] \\ & - \left[f_{QQ} \left(\mathcal{H}'^2 + \mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}'' - 3\mathcal{H}^2\mathcal{H}' - \frac{1}{3}\mathcal{H}^2k^2 \right) \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{df_{QQ}}{d\tau} (\mathcal{H}' - \mathcal{H}^2)\mathcal{H} \right] B = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

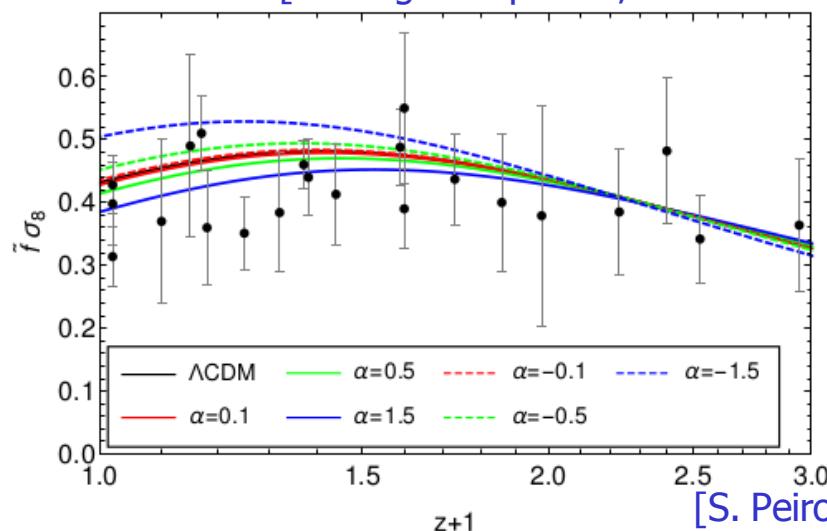
$$\delta'' + \mathcal{H}\delta' = \frac{4\pi G\rho}{f_Q} \delta, \quad (30)$$

$$G_{eff} \equiv \frac{G}{f_Q}, \quad (31)$$

Solving the tensions in $f(Q)$ gravity



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