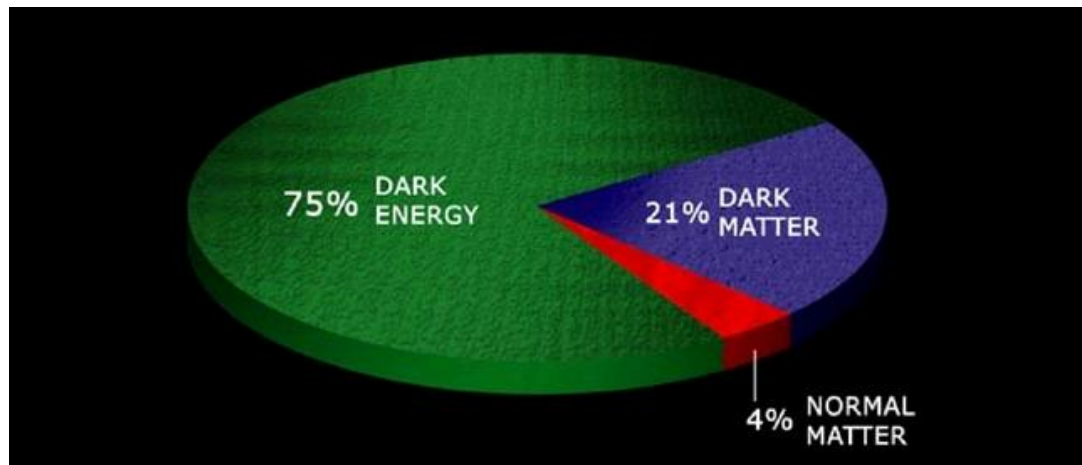


The Dark Sector vs. Modified Gravity



- The Context
- New Physics
- Twist: Stumbling into Age-Old Debate

Standard Model of Particle Physics

A MODEL OF LEPTONS*

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(Received 17 October 1967)

Leptons interact only with photons, and with the intermediate bosons that presumably mediate weak interactions. What could be more natural than to unite¹ these spin-one bosons and on a right-handed singlet

$$R = \left[\frac{1}{2}(1 - \gamma_5) \right] e. \quad (2)$$

- 4 particles which mediate the fundamental forces (photon, 2 W's, Z)
- Two Fermions (Electron and Neutrino)
- Higgs particle: Responsible for Mass

be renormalizable.

We will restrict our attention to symmetry groups that connect the observed electron-type leptons only with each other, i.e., not with muon-type leptons or other unobserved leptons or hadrons. The symmetries then act on a left-handed doublet

$$L = \left[\frac{1}{2}(1 + \gamma_5) \right] \begin{pmatrix} \nu \\ e \end{pmatrix} \quad (1)$$

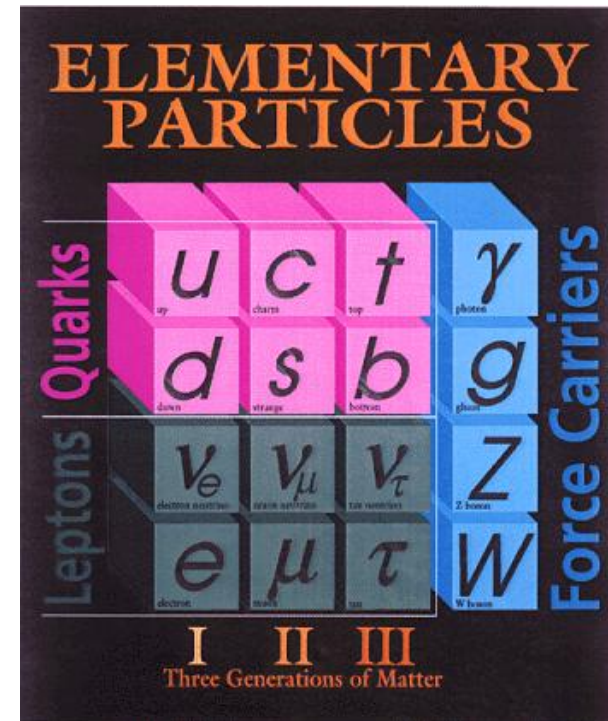
$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}(\partial_\mu \bar{A}_\nu - \partial_\nu \bar{A}_\mu + g \bar{A}_\mu \times \bar{A}_\nu)^2 - \frac{1}{4}(\partial_\mu B_\nu - \partial_\nu B_\mu)^2 - \bar{R} \gamma^\mu (\partial_\mu - ig' B_\mu) R - L \gamma^\mu (\partial_\mu - ig \vec{T} \cdot \vec{A}_\mu - i \frac{1}{2} g' B_\mu) L$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} i \partial_\mu \varphi - ig \vec{A}_\mu \cdot \vec{T} \varphi + i \frac{1}{2} g' B_\mu \varphi^2 - G_e (\bar{L} \varphi R + \bar{R} \varphi^\dagger L) - M_1^2 \varphi^\dagger \varphi + h (\varphi^\dagger \varphi)^2. \quad (4)$$

We have chosen the phase of the R field to make G_e real, and can also adjust the phase of the L and Q fields to make the vacuum expectation value $\lambda = \langle \varphi^0 \rangle$ real. The "physical" φ fields are then φ^-

Three minor extensions (all of which won Nobel Prizes)

- Quarks as well as leptons
- Quantum Chromodynamics: gluons and their interactions
- Three generations: electron, muon, tau (and similarly for quarks)



The Standard Model explains everything ever produced in an accelerator

LIGHT UNFLAVORED (S = C = B = 0)		STRANGE (S = ±1, C = B = 0)		CHARMED, STRANGE (C = S = ±1)		c \bar{c} F $^{\pm}$ (J PC)	
F $^{\pm}$ (J PC)		F $^{\pm}$ (J PC)		A(J PC)		F $^{\pm}$ (J PC)	
• π^{\pm}	1 $^{-}(0^{-})$	• $\pi_1(1670)$	1 $^{-}(2^{-})$	• K^{\pm}	1/2(0 $^{-}$)	• D^{\pm}	0(0 $^{-}$)
• π^0	1 $^{-}(0^{-})$	• $\phi(1680)$	0 $^{-}(1^{-})$	• K^0	1/2(0 $^{-}$)	• D_s^{\pm}	0(0 $^{-}$)
• η	0 $^{+}(0^{-})$	• $\rho_1(1690)$	1 $^{+}(3^{-})$	• K_S^0	1/2(0 $^{-}$)	• $D_s^*(2317)^{\pm}$	0(0 $^{+}$)
• $\zeta(600)$	0 $^{+}(0^{-})$	• $\rho(1700)$	1 $^{+}(1^{-})$	• K_L^0	1/2(0 $^{-}$)	• $D_{s1}(2460)^{\pm}$	0(1 $^{+}$)
• $\rho(170)$	1 $^{+}(1^{-})$	• $a_1(1700)$	1 $^{-}(2^{+})$	• $K_S^*(800)$	1/2(0 $^{+}$)	• $D_{s1}(2536)^{\pm}$	0(1 $^{+}$)
• $\omega(782)$	0 $^{-}(1^{-})$	• $\zeta(1710)$	0 $^{+}(0^{+})$	• $K^*(892)$	1/2(1 $^{-}$)	• $D_{s1}(2573)^{\pm}$	0(1 $^{+}$)
• $\eta'(958)$	0 $^{+}(0^{-})$	• $\eta(1760)$	0 $^{+}(0^{-})$	• $K_1(1270)$	1/2(1 $^{+}$)	• $D_{s1}(2700)^{\pm}$	0(1 $^{-}$)
• $\zeta(980)$	0 $^{+}(0^{+})$	• $\pi(1800)$	1 $^{-}(0^{-})$	• $K_1(1400)$	1/2(1 $^{+}$)		
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• $a_1(1640)$	1 $^{-}(1^{+})$	• $a_1(2450)$	1 $^{-}(6^{+})$				
• $\zeta_1(1640)$	0 $^{+}(2^{+})$	• $\zeta_1(2510)$	0 $^{+}(6^{+})$				
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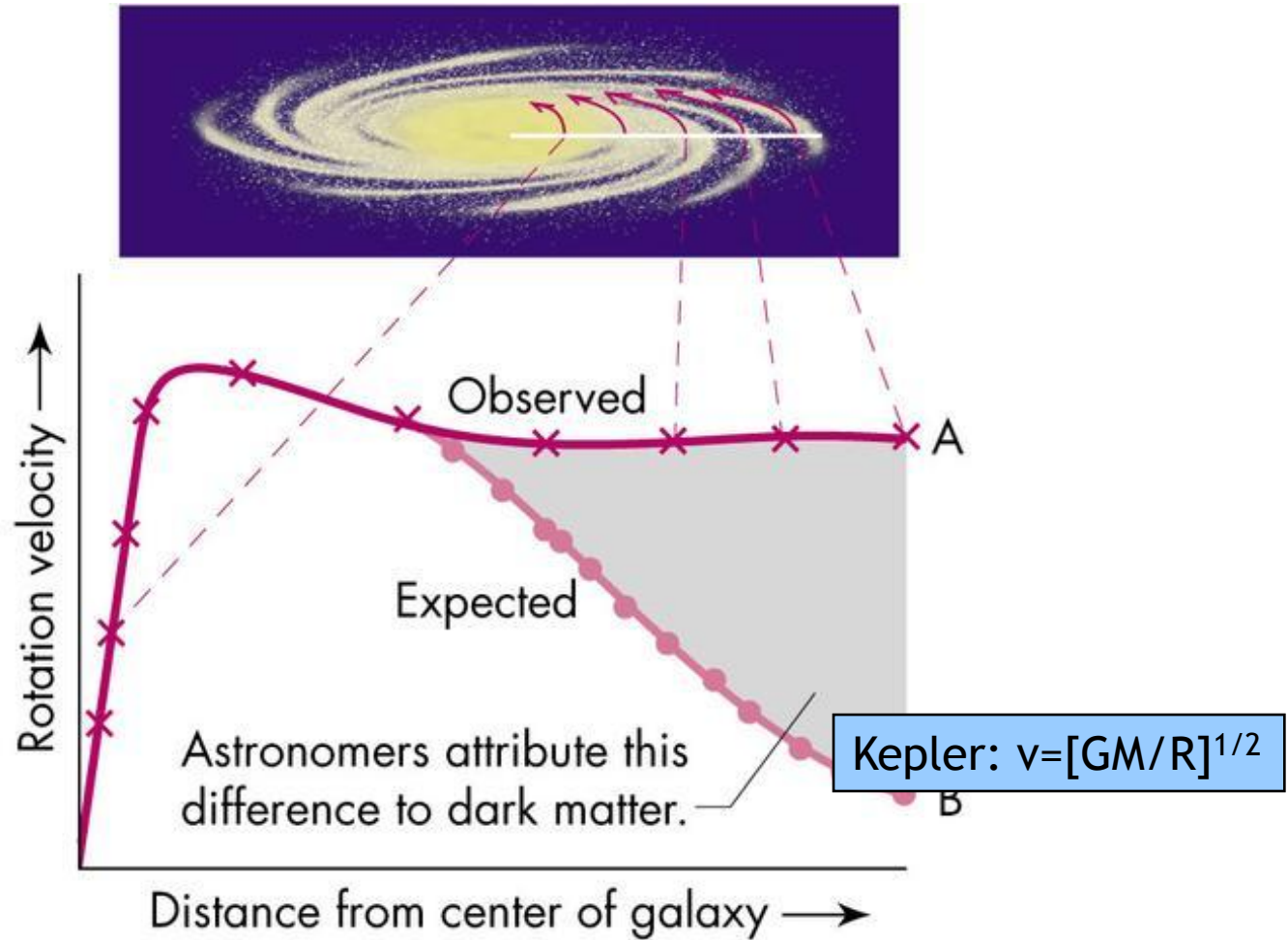
Goal: Discover Physics beyond the Standard Model

Astrophysical observations provide evidence for new physics

- Depth of Potential Wells in the Cosmos
- Brightness of Supernovae
- Pattern of anisotropies in the Cosmic Microwave Background
- Observed Flux of Neutrinos

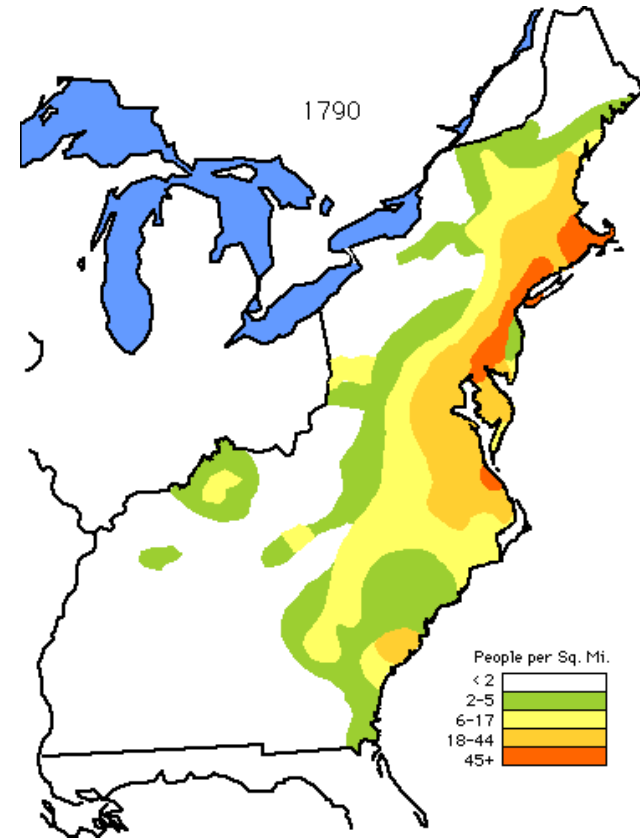
Physics Beyond the Standard Model I

The Standard Model cannot explain the gravitational potentials observed in the cosmos



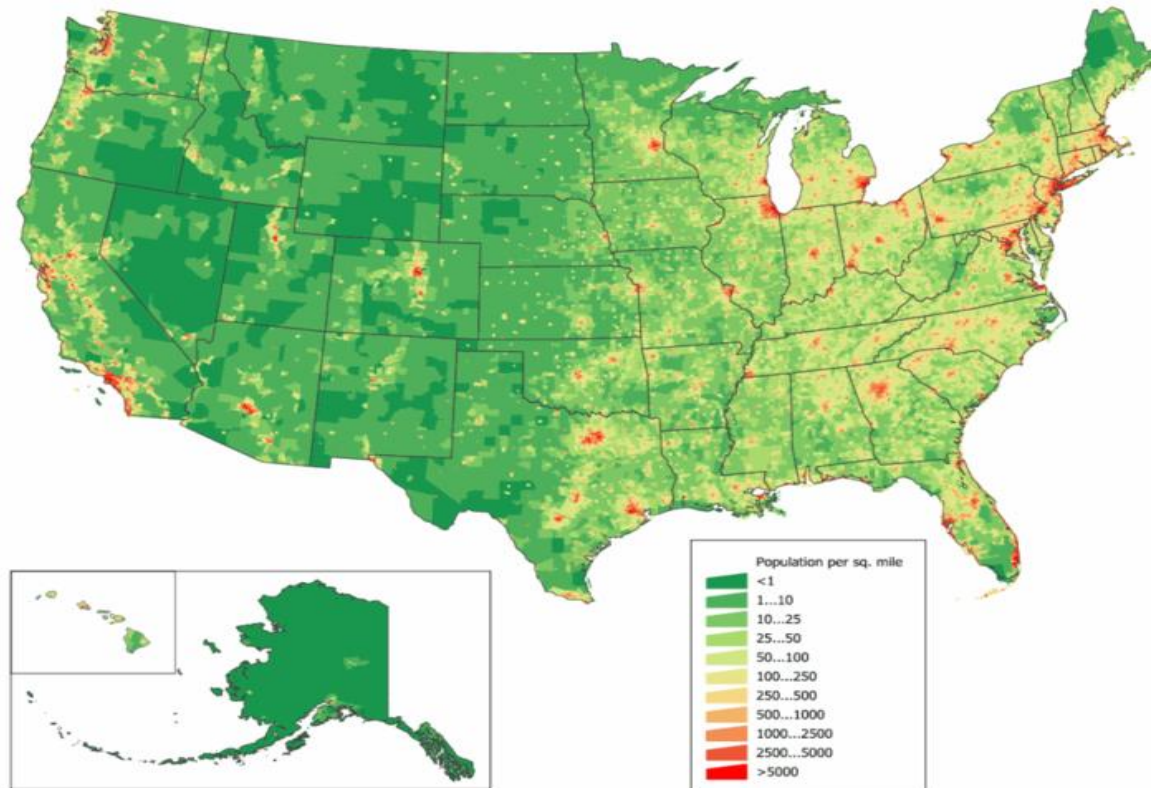
Consider the United States in 1790

- Over-densities of order 50
- Concentrated in East
- Vast Voids with low density



Consider the United States Today

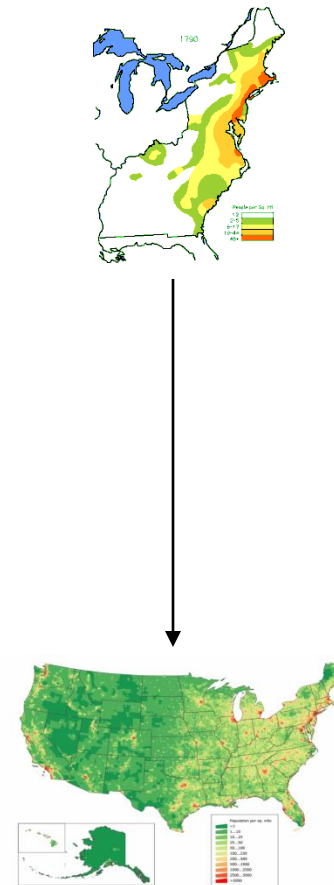
- ◆ Over-densities of order 10,000
- ◆ Concentration in coasts
- ◆ Traces of *primordial* density (Boston-Washington; East > West)
- ◆ Vast Voids



The story of this evolution is the story of the United States

When we understand the evolution from one map to another, we can understand

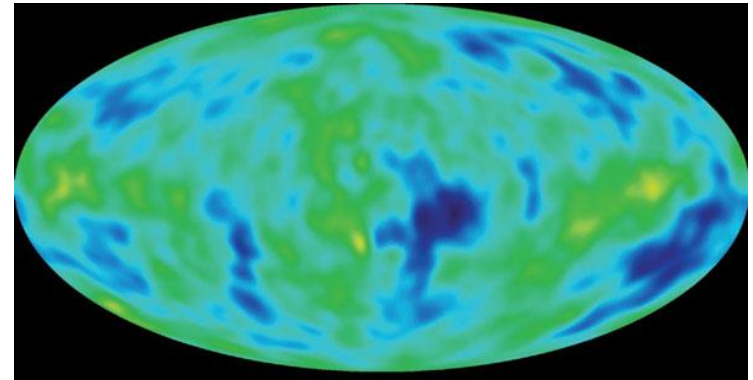
- the sociological, economic, and political *forces* acting on the US
- the people, or the *constituents*, of the US



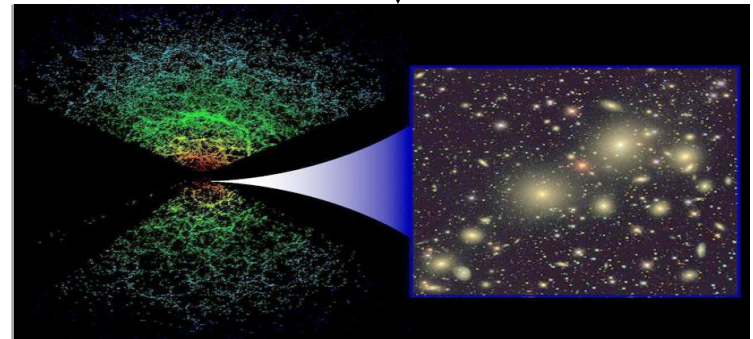
The Universe Would Be Too Smooth Without Dark Matter

At $t=400,000$ years ($z=1000$), the photon/baryon distribution was smooth to one part in 10,000.

General Relativity predicts that perturbations have grown since then by a factor of 1000



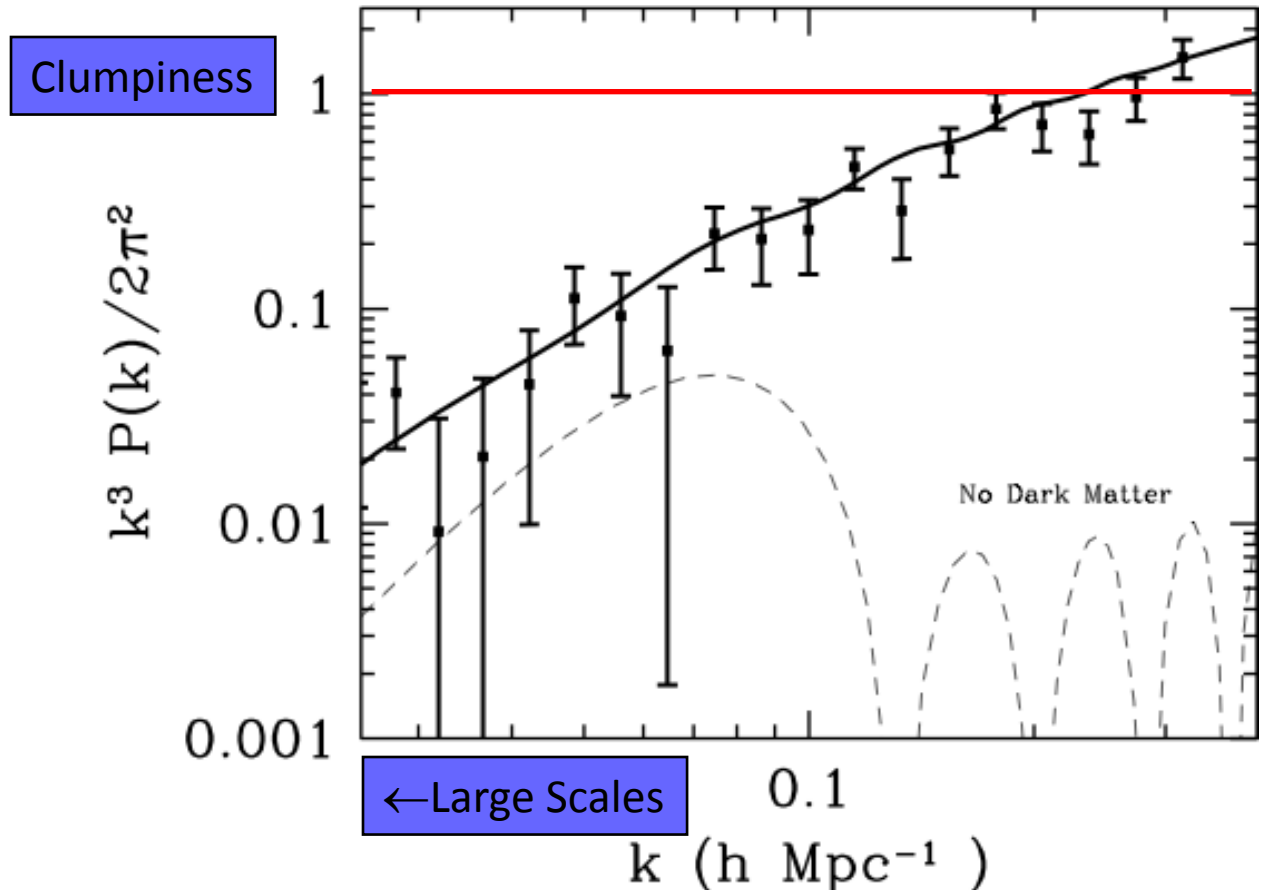
COBE



Sloan Digital Sky Survey (SDSS)

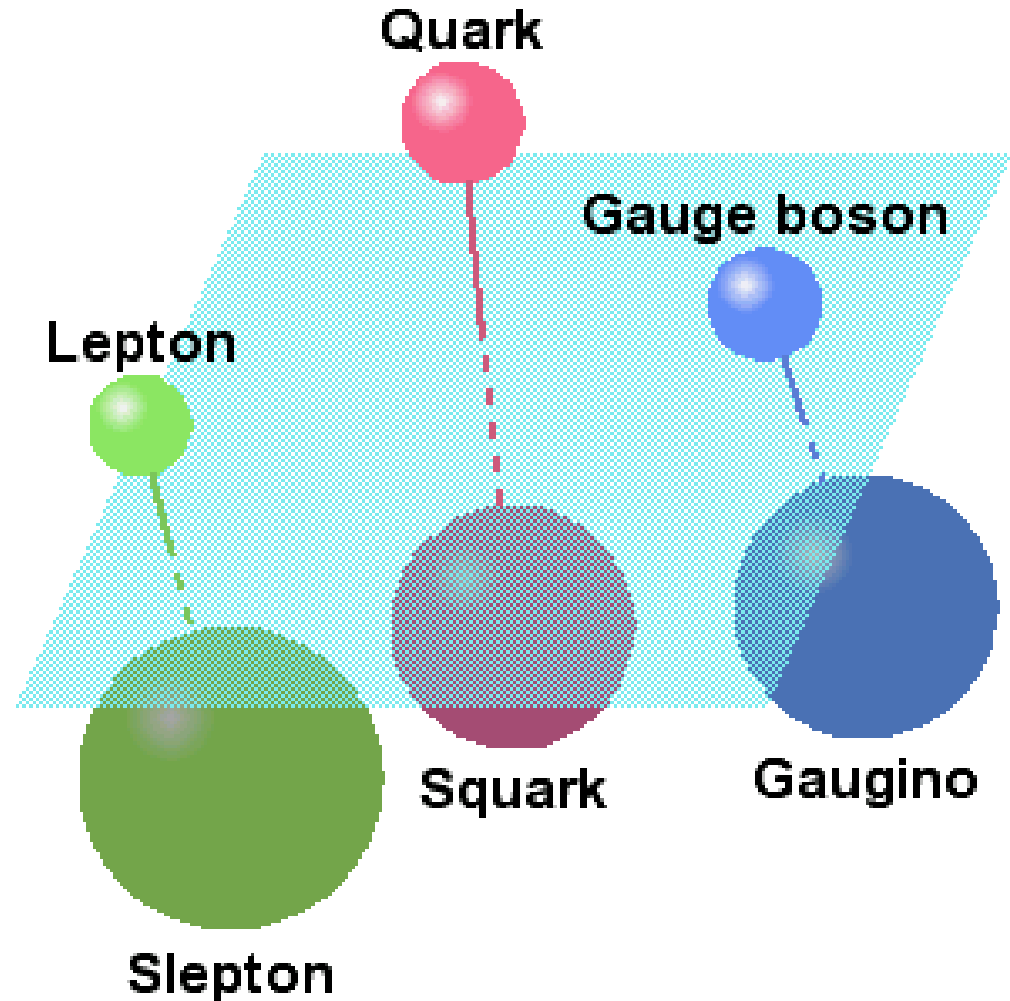
Dark Matter Solves Cosmic Structure Problem

Dark matter was much clumpier than baryons were at the time of the picture of cosmic microwave background (CMB). Enough time for structure to grow!

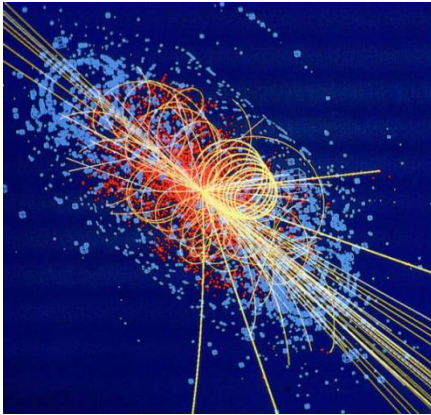


Dark Matter is **not** one of the particles in the Standard Model

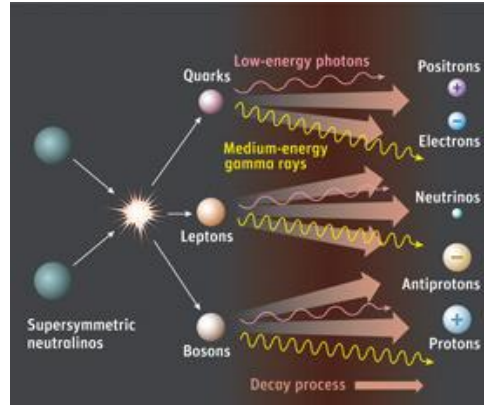
Supersymmetry is an extension of the SM, which predicts heavy partners. One of these satisfies all necessary criteria to be dark matter (massive, neutral, stable, weakly interacting)



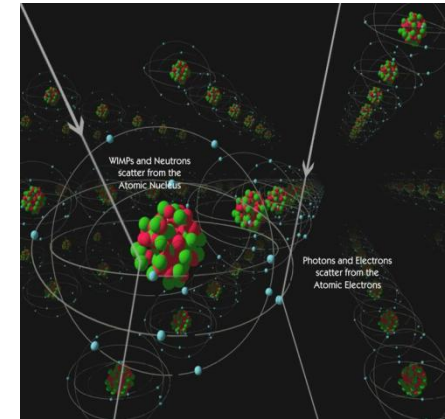
Three-Prong Search for Dark Matter



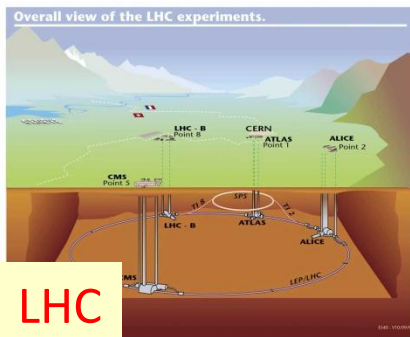
Accelerators



Indirect Detection



Direct Detection



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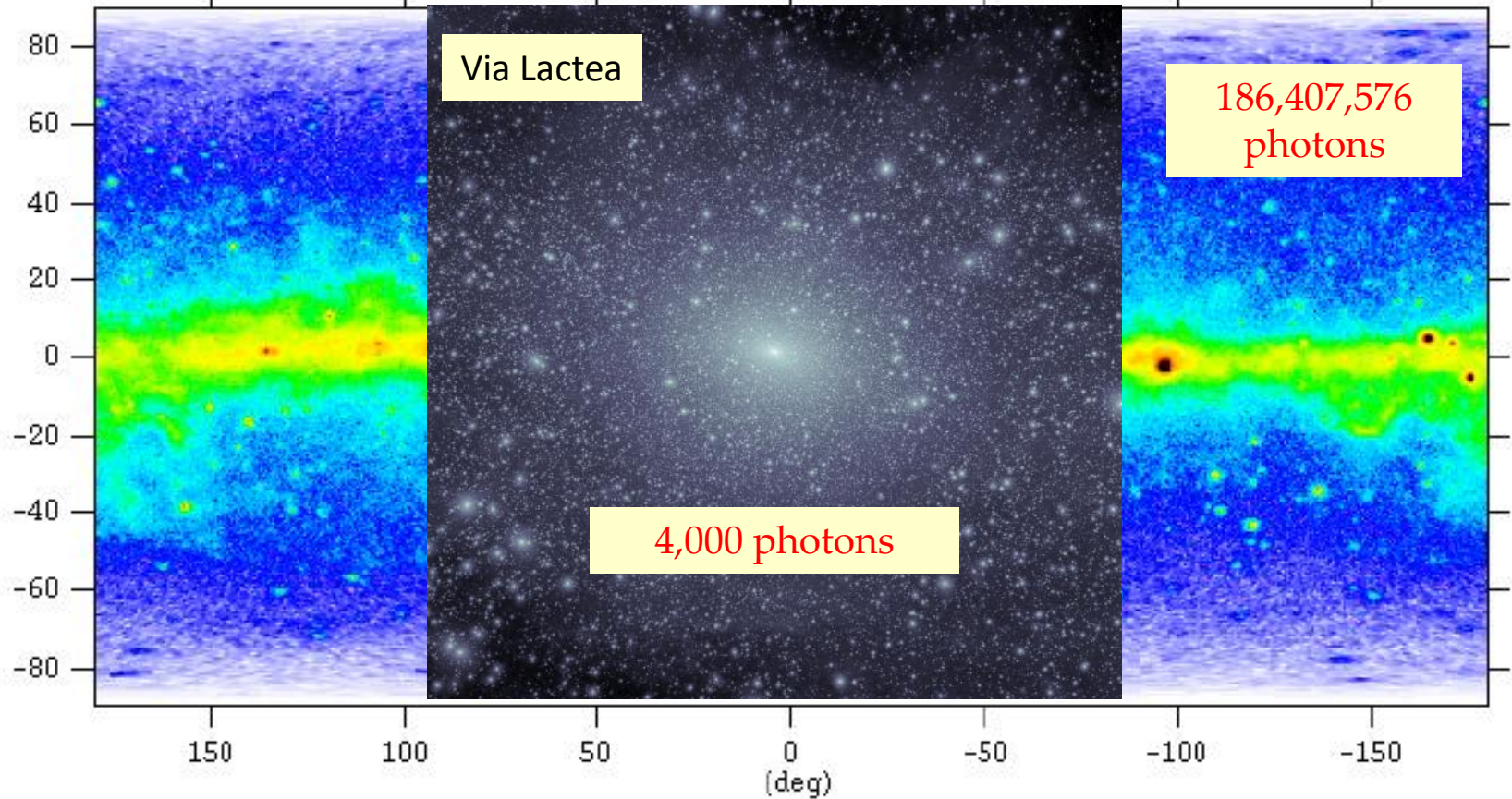


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Indirect Detection: The Challenge

Fermi Gamma-ray Space Telescope : Large Area Telescope

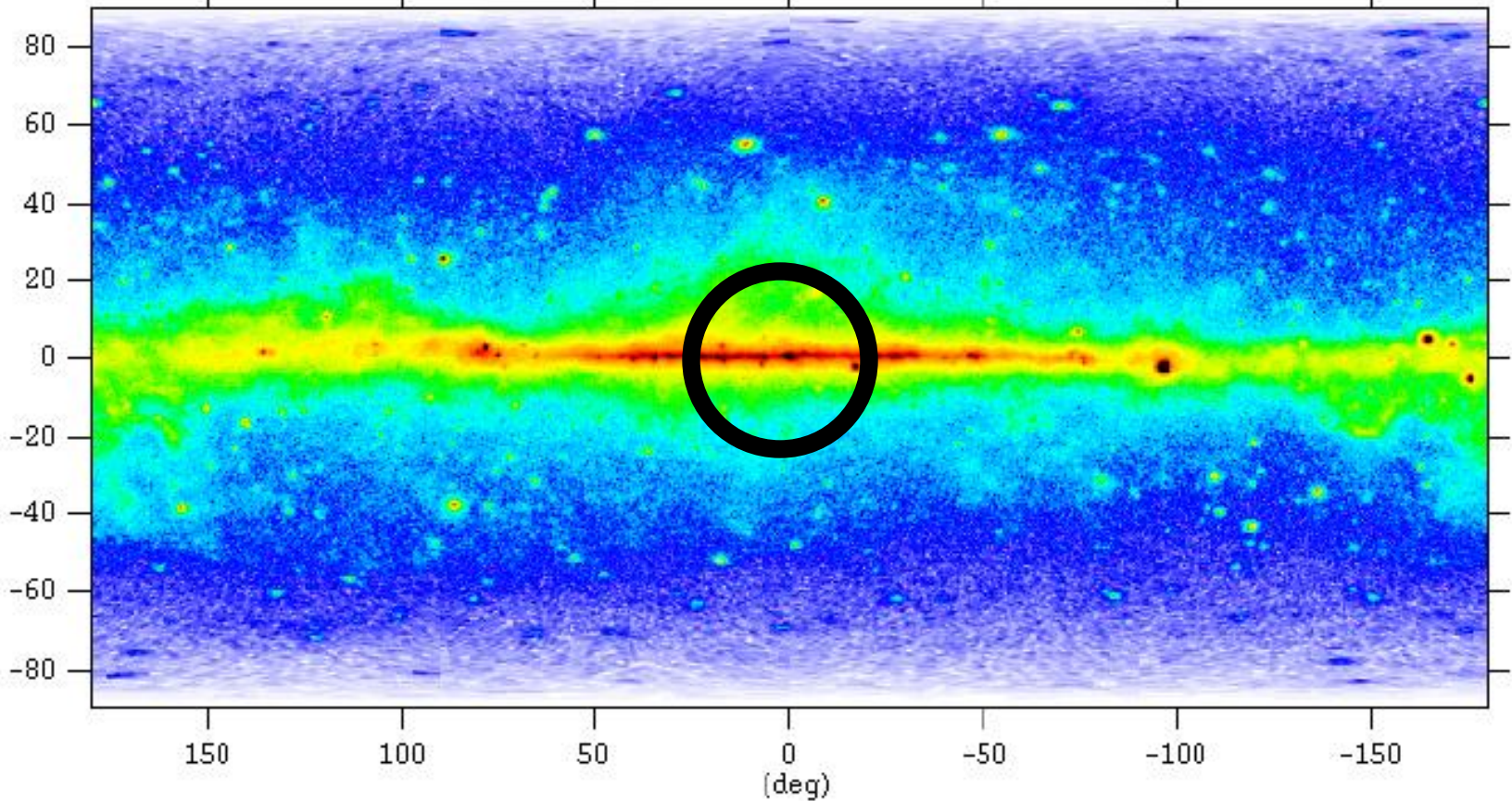


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Ring Analysis

Signal from Dark Matter should be the same all around the ring



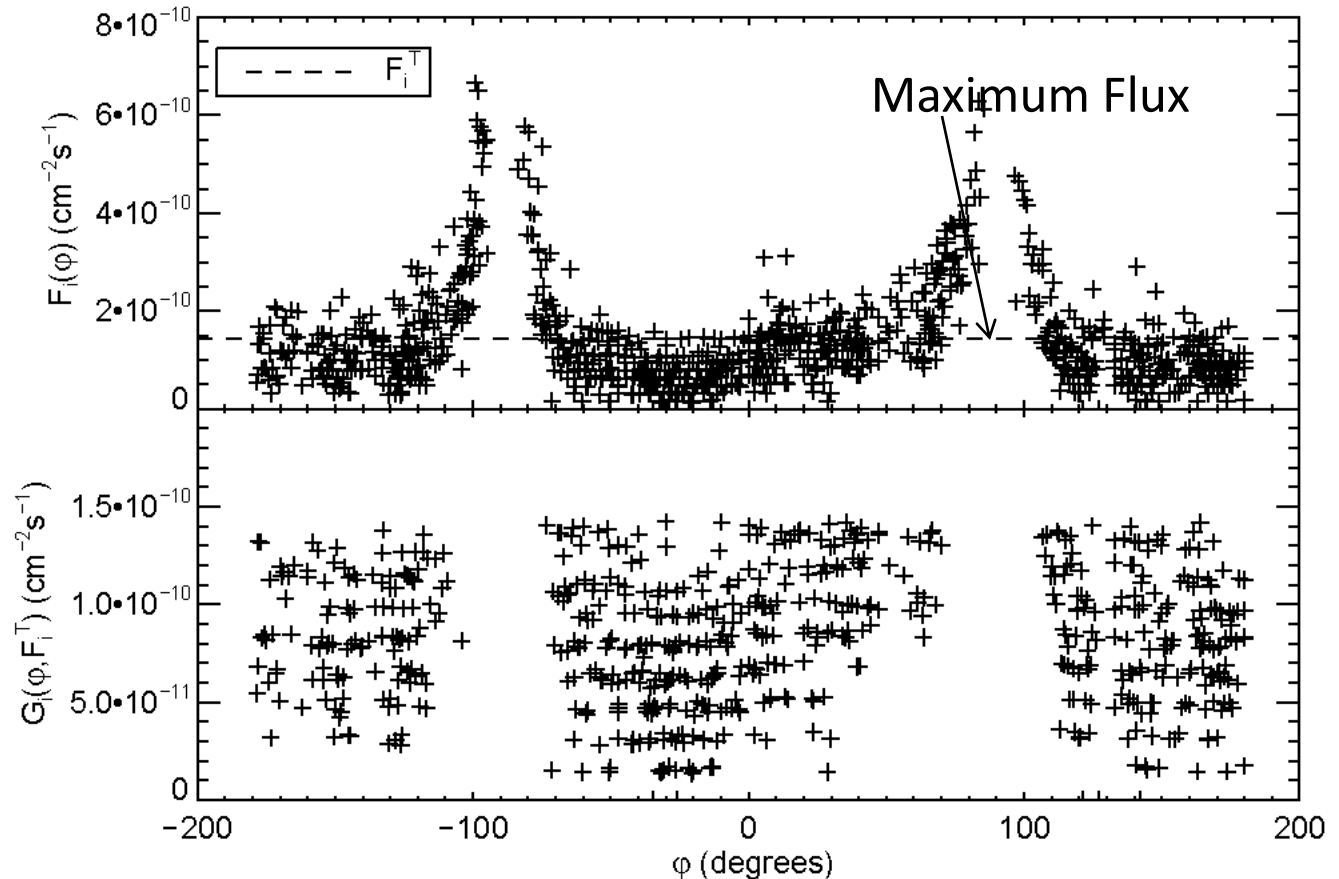
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Ring Analysis

Find the maximum flux consistent with an *independent and identically distributed* signal

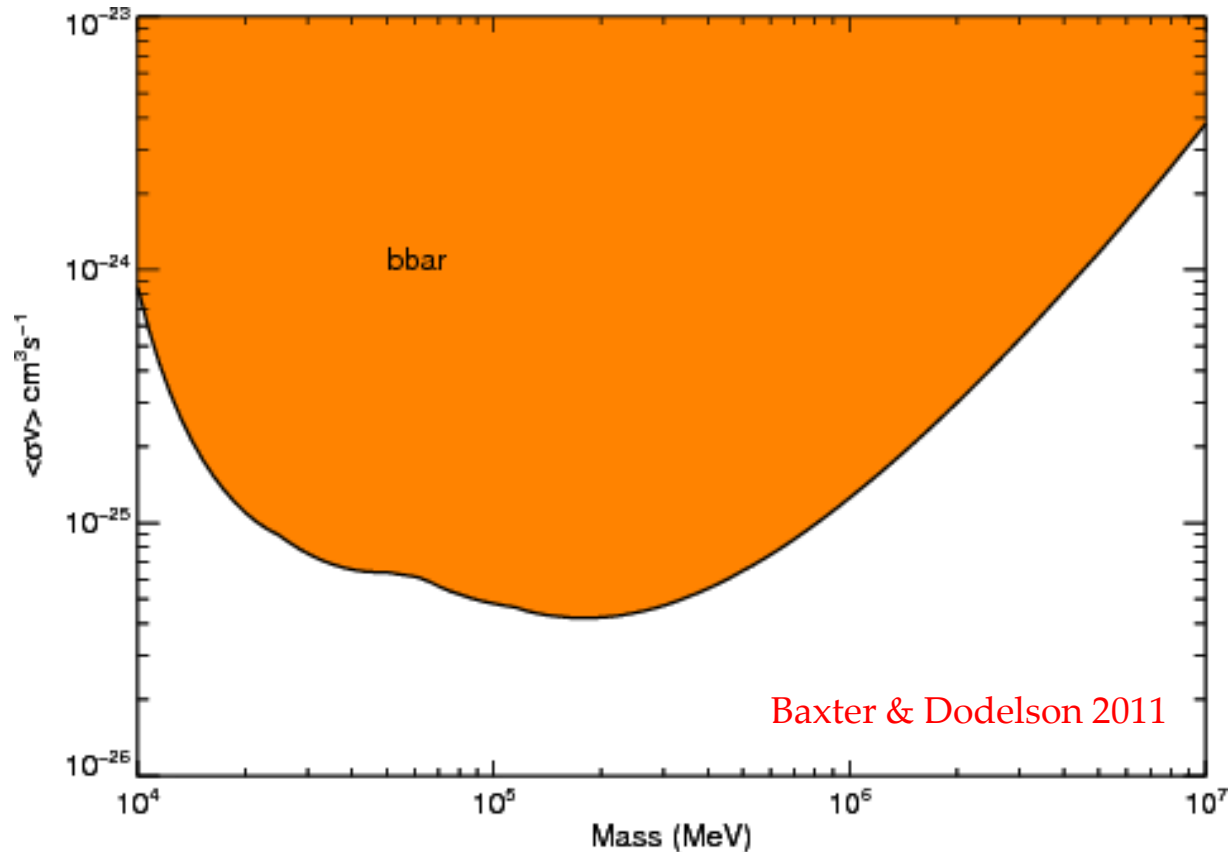
Flux in a given ring
as a function of
azimuthal angle



Truncated flux

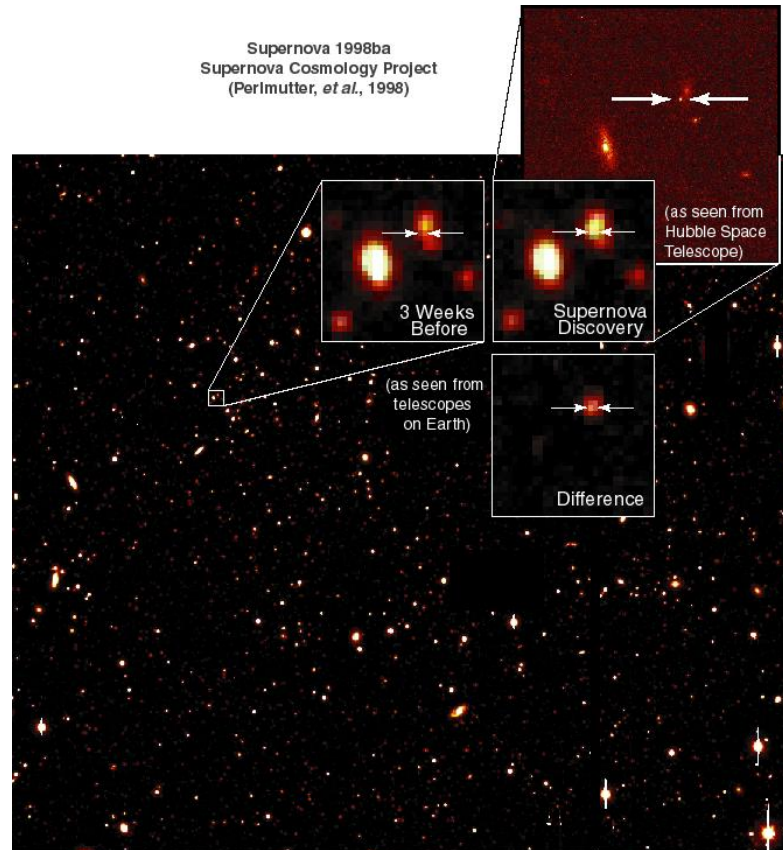
Ring Analysis

This upper limit on the flux corresponds to an upper limit on properties of the DM particle



Physics Beyond the Standard Model II

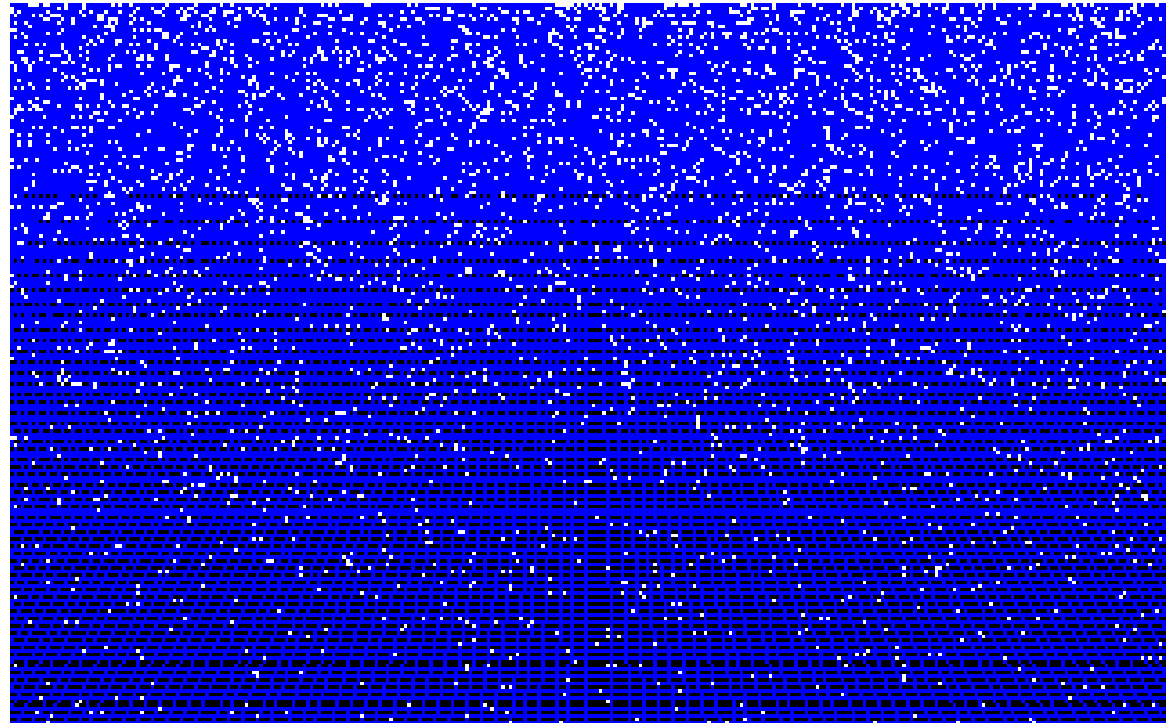
The Standard Model cannot explain the observed brightness of distant Supernovae



Brightness can be used to infer distance

Distances in cosmology

Physical distances
proportional to
scale factor a ,
which increases
with time



Einstein's Equations seem to require
 $d^2a/dt^2 < 0$ (*Deceleration*)

$$\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = -\frac{4\pi G}{3}(\rho + 3P)$$

Can measure this because distance traveled by light depends on the expansion history:

$$d(z) = c \int_{1/(1+z)}^1 \frac{da}{a\dot{a}} = c \int_0^z \frac{dz'}{H(z')}$$

Redshift $1+z = 1/a$

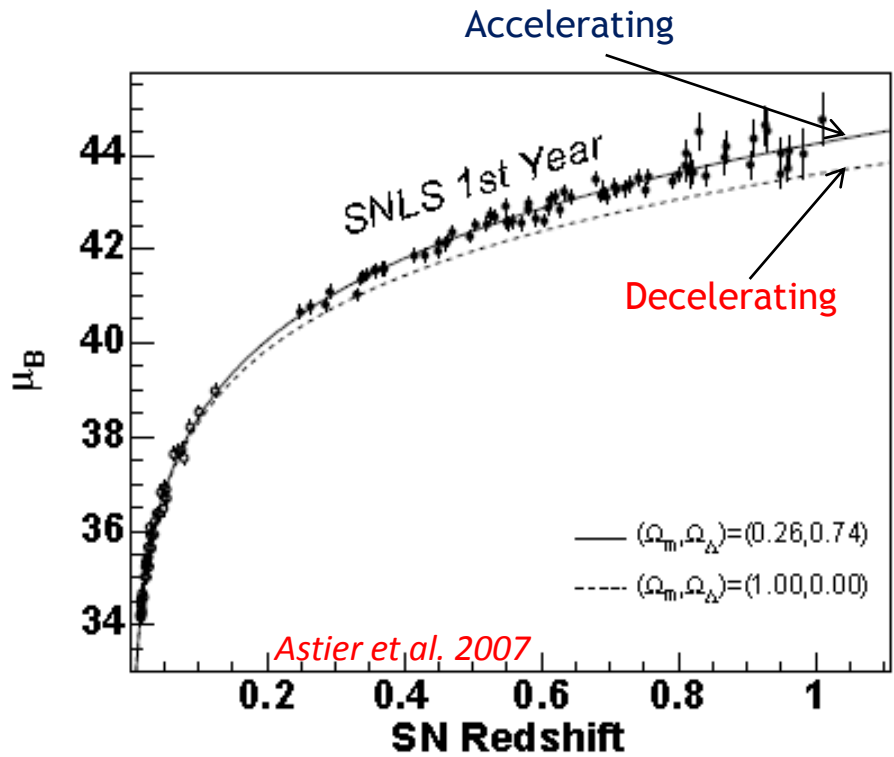
Since light travels
coordinate distance $c dt/a$

Hubble expansion
 rate $d\ln(a)/dt$

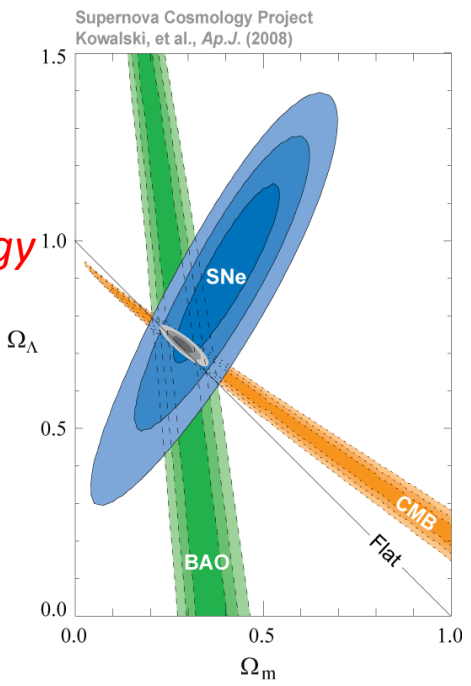
The Universe is Accelerating



← Brighter



Requires Dark Energy



Strange substance (Dark Energy) required to produce acceleration

Dark Energy has *negative* pressure
→ density remains roughly constant as universe expands
($H^2=8\pi G\rho/3$)

$$\rho(a) = \rho_0 \exp \left\{ 3 \int_a^1 \frac{da'}{a'} [1 + w(a')] \right\}$$

Energy density today

Equation of state: $w=P/\rho$

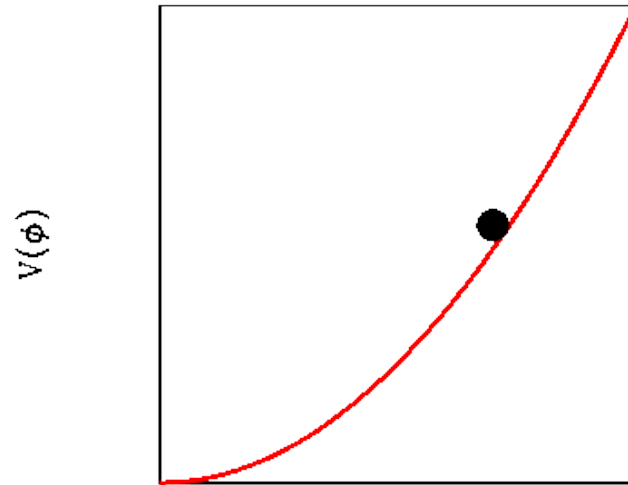
One possibility: Cosmological Constant

$$T_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} \frac{\Lambda}{8\pi G}$$

- Energy associated with empty space
- Pressure is equal and opposite the energy density ($w=-1$)
- Expect non-zero contribution to the vacuum energy due to quantum fluctuations
- Amplitude is too large (by 120 orders of magnitude!)

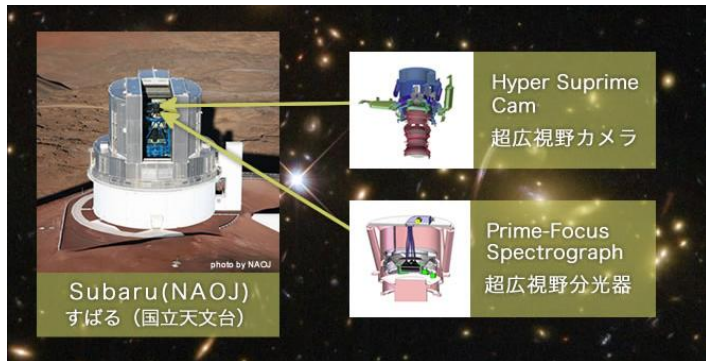
Another possibility: Scalar Field

- Require roughly constant energy density
- Potential energy larger than kinetic energy
- Friction term due to expansion dominates, so $(V'')^{1/2} = m < 10^{-33} \text{ eV}$ (Hubble rate today)



$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} + \frac{dV}{d\phi} = 0$$

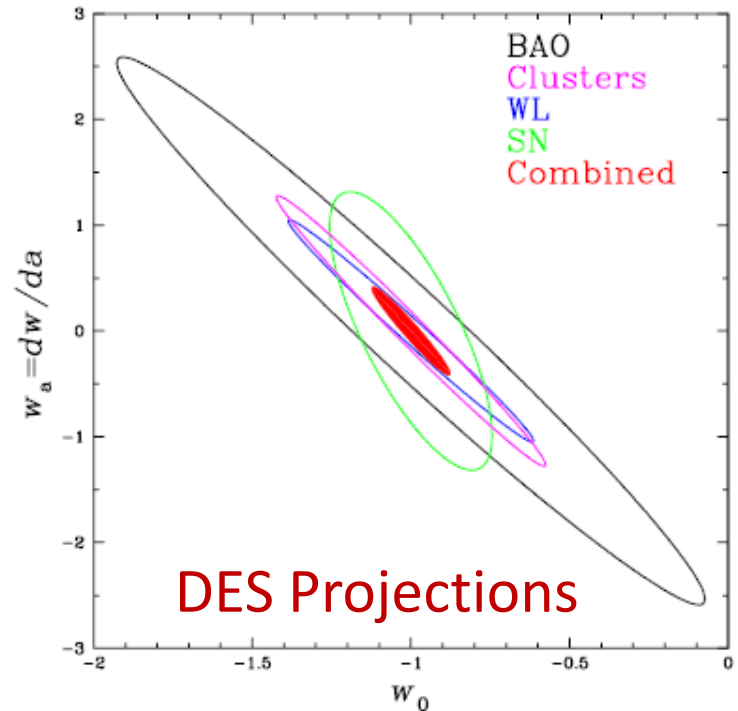
Measure Equation of State of Dark Energy



HSC+PFS @ Subaru

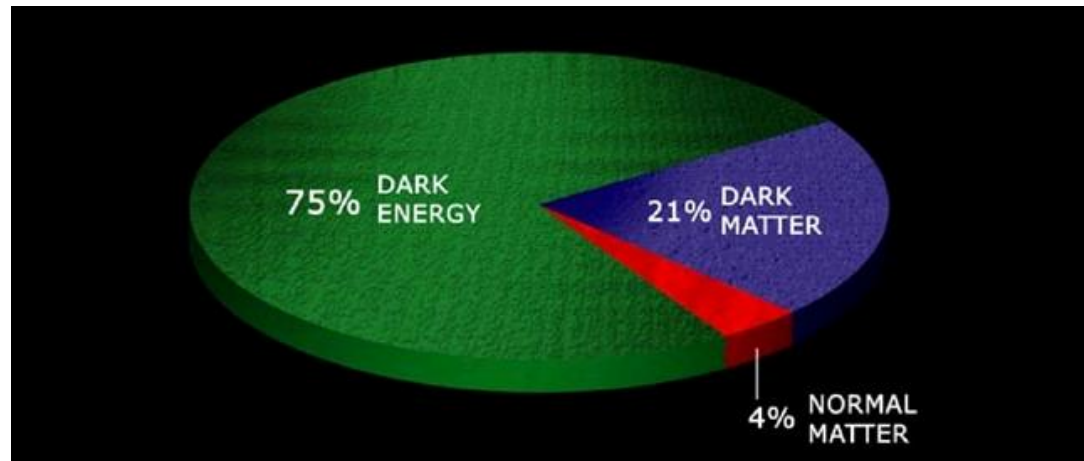


DARK ENERGY
Survey



Summary: Studying the Dark Sector

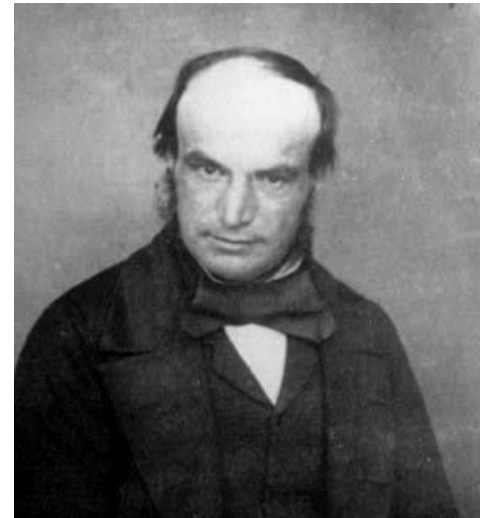
- Find Dark Matter via Accelerators, Direct Detection, Indirect Detection
- Measure the Equation of State of Dark Energy to determine the Nature of Dark Energy



Remember how Neptune was discovered

“Formed a design in the beginning of this week, of investigating, as soon as possible after taking my degree, the irregularities of the motion of Uranus, which are yet unaccounted for; in order to find out whether they may be attributed to the action of an undiscovered planet beyond it; and if possible thence to determine the elements of its orbit, etc.. approximately, which would probably lead to its discovery.”

Undergraduate Notebook, July 1841



John Adams

Not everyone believed a new planet was responsible

Adams informed Airy of his plans, but Airy did not grant observing time. He believed deviation from $1/r^2$ force responsible for irregularities



Astronomer Royal,
George Airy

By June 1846, both Adams and French astronomer LeVerrier had calculated positions

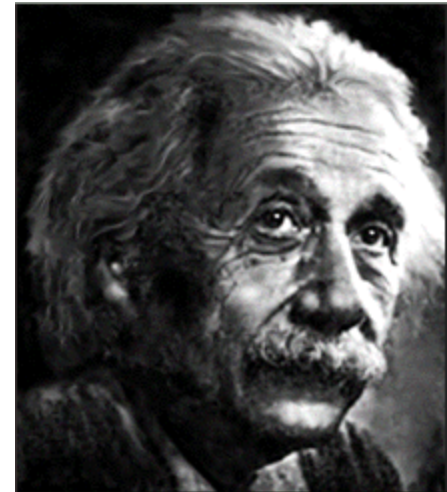
Competition is a good thing: Airy instructed Cambridge Observatory to begin a search in July, 1846, and Neptune was discovered shortly thereafter.



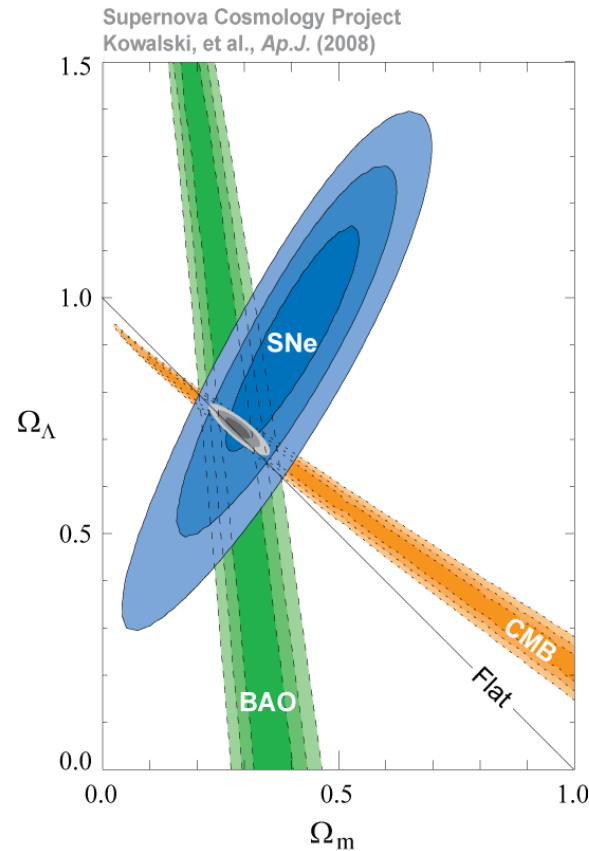
Anomalous precession of Mercury's perihelion went the other way

LeVerrier assumed it was due to a small planet near the Sun and searched (in vain) for such a planet (Vulcan).

We now know that this anomaly is due to a whole new theory of gravity.



Is Dark Energy necessary to explain acceleration?



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f(R) Models for Acceleration

Modify the Einstein-Hilbert Action

$$S = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [R + f(R)] + \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} L_m$$

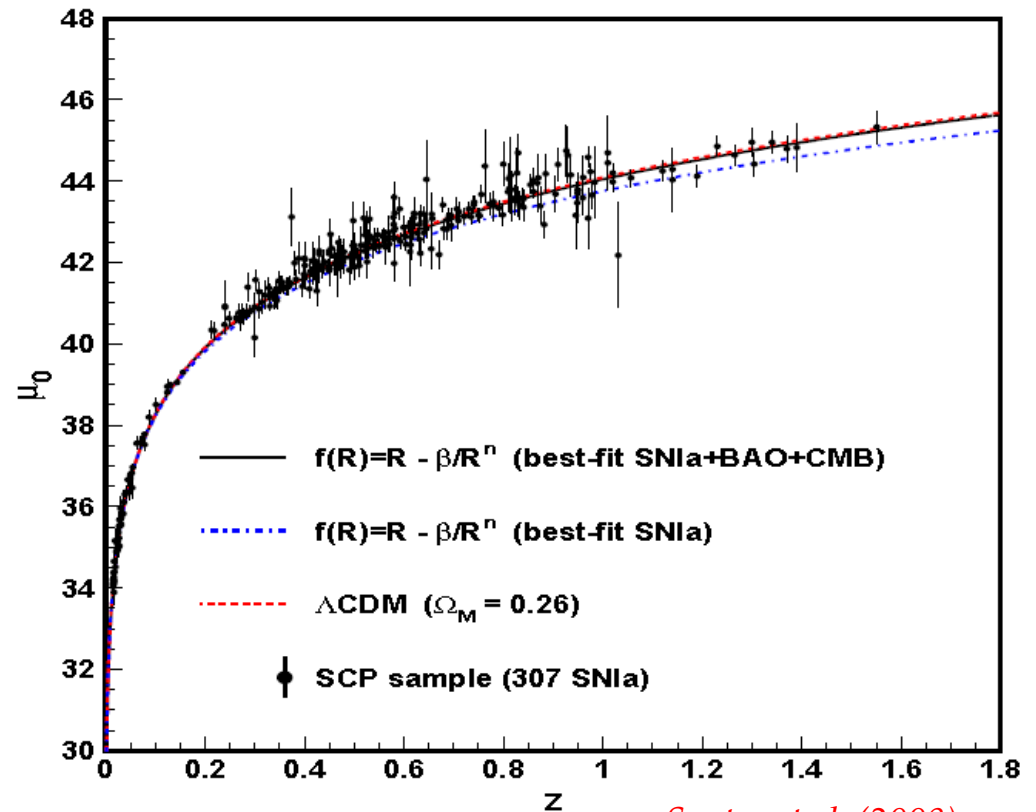
For the cosmological metric, the acceleration equation generalizes to:

Get acceleration if these terms are positive

$$\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = -\frac{4\pi G}{3} (\rho + 3P) + \left[\frac{\partial f}{\partial R} H^2 - \frac{f}{6} - \frac{\partial \ddot{f} / \partial R}{2} \right]$$


Easy to fit Supernova Data

The new parameter has dimensions of mass and is of order 10^{-33} eV



Santos et al. (2008)

Resolving the cause of acceleration will be harder than Neptune

- If both Dark Energy and Modified Gravity can reproduce the expansion history, how will we distinguish them observationally?
- Recall the history of the cosmological term (Does it belong on the left or right side of Einstein's Equation?)
How do we determine what is a dark energy model and what is a modified gravity model?

Scalar Tensor Models

- $f(R)$ models are equivalent to a *scalar-tensor* theory (Starobinsky 1979)
- Challenge the implicit assumption of GR that the metric in the Einstein-Hilbert action is the same as the metric which couples to matter

$$S_{EH} = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \sqrt{-\tilde{g}} R[\tilde{g}] \quad S_m = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} L_m$$

- Allow $\tilde{g} = e^{-2\phi/m_p} g$
- Scalar-Tensor theory then described by dynamics $S[\Phi]$

Perturbations in Modified Gravity

Lue, Scoccimarro, and Starkman (2004); Bertschinger (2006); Hu & Sawicki (2007); Tsujikawa et al. (2008); Motohashi, Starobinsky & Yokoyama (2010)

Start with the perturbed FRW metric

$$ds^2 = -(1 + 2\Phi)dt^2 + a^2(t)(1 - 2\Psi)(dr^2 + r^2d\theta + r^2 \sin^2 \theta d\phi)$$

Generally two differences between MG and GR:

GENERAL RELATIVITY

MODIFIED GRAVITY

$$\Phi - \Psi = 0$$

$$\Phi - \Psi \neq 0$$

$$\nabla^2 \Phi = -4\pi G \rho_m a^2 \delta$$

$$\nabla^2 \Phi = -4\pi G_{\text{eff}} \rho_m a^2 \delta$$

Perturbations in Modified Gravity

To test MG vs. DE, need to measure:

$$g \equiv \Phi - \Psi$$

$$f_G \equiv \frac{G_{eff}}{G} - 1$$

Difference from zero of either of these would indicate
MG is responsible for acceleration

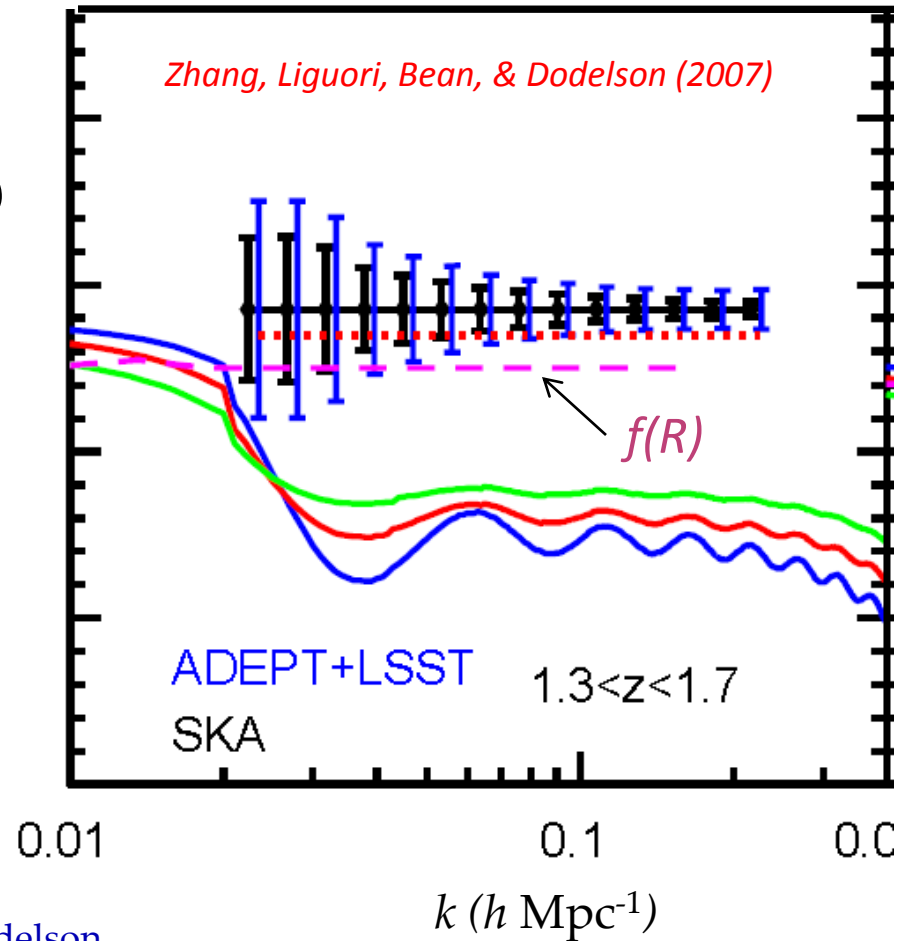
Probing f and g

Cross-correlate
galaxy density with
velocity field

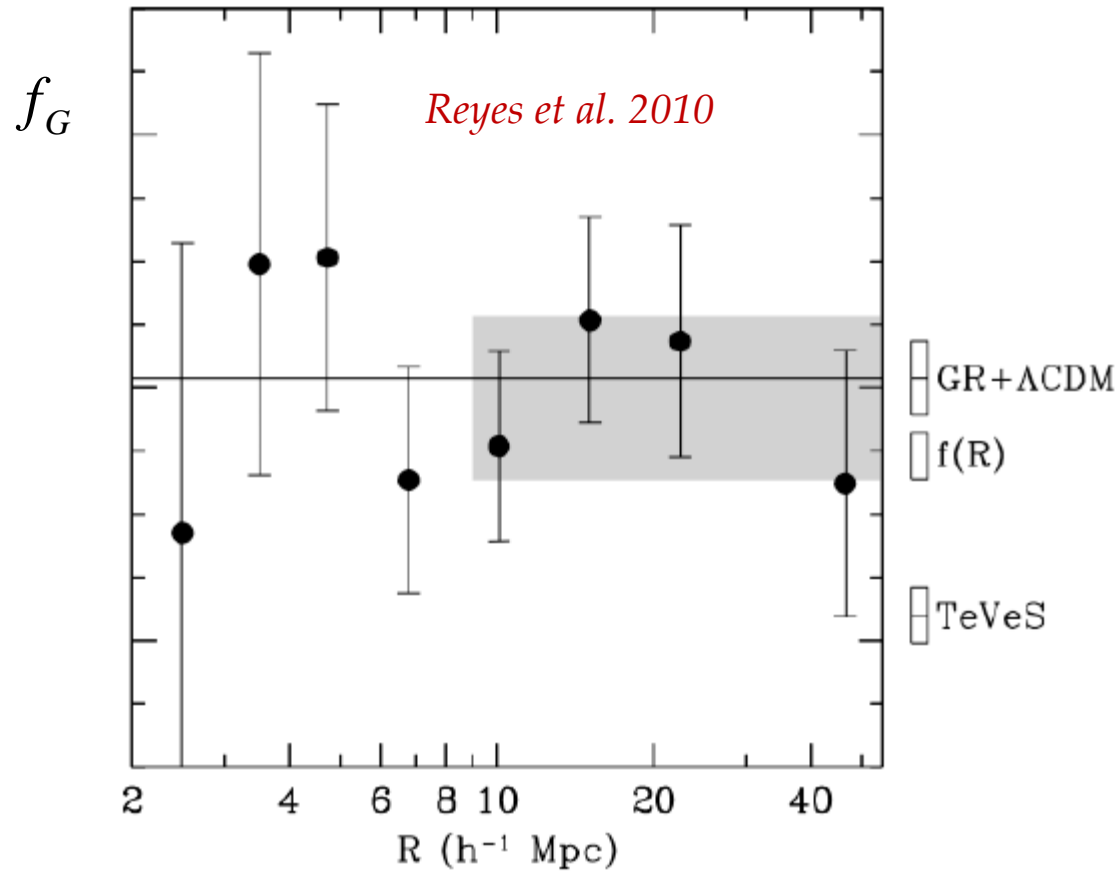
$$\frac{\langle \delta_g \theta \rangle}{\langle \delta_g \kappa \rangle} \sim \frac{\delta}{\Phi - \Psi} \sim 1 + f_G$$

Cross-correlate
galaxy density with
convergence field

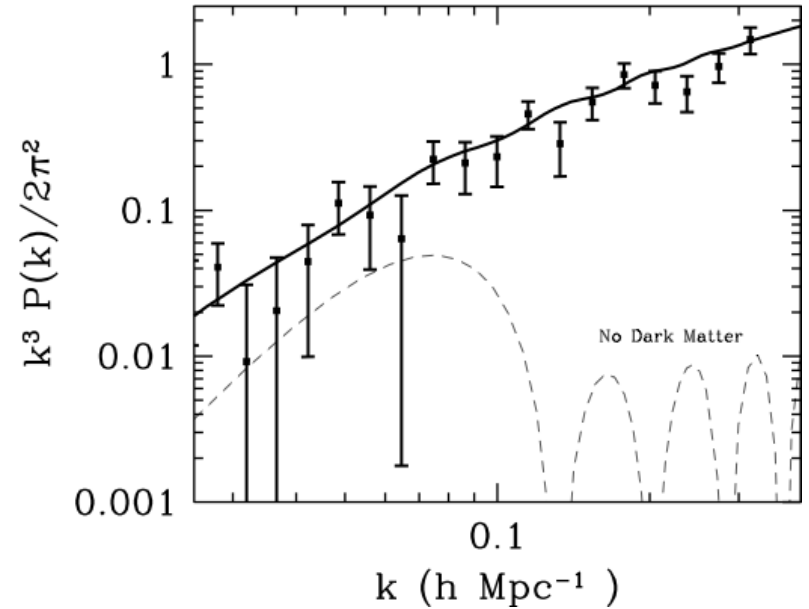
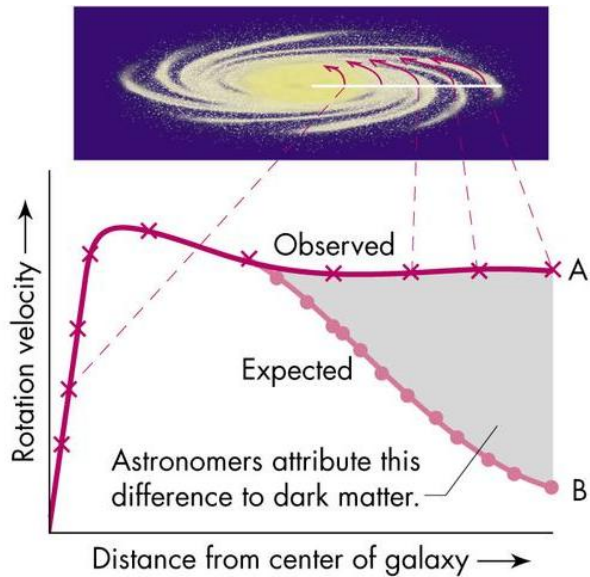
$f_G(k)$



This test has been applied using SDSS



Is Dark Matter needed for potential wells?



Modified Newtonian Dynamics (MOND) (Milgrom 1983):

$$a_g F(a_g / a_0) = a_N = \frac{MG}{r^2}$$

Acceleration due to gravity
(v^2/r for circular orbit)

For a point mass

New, fundamental scale

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \gg 1 \\ x, & x \ll 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{(v^2 / r)^2}{a_0} = \frac{MG}{r^2}$$

This leads to a simple prediction

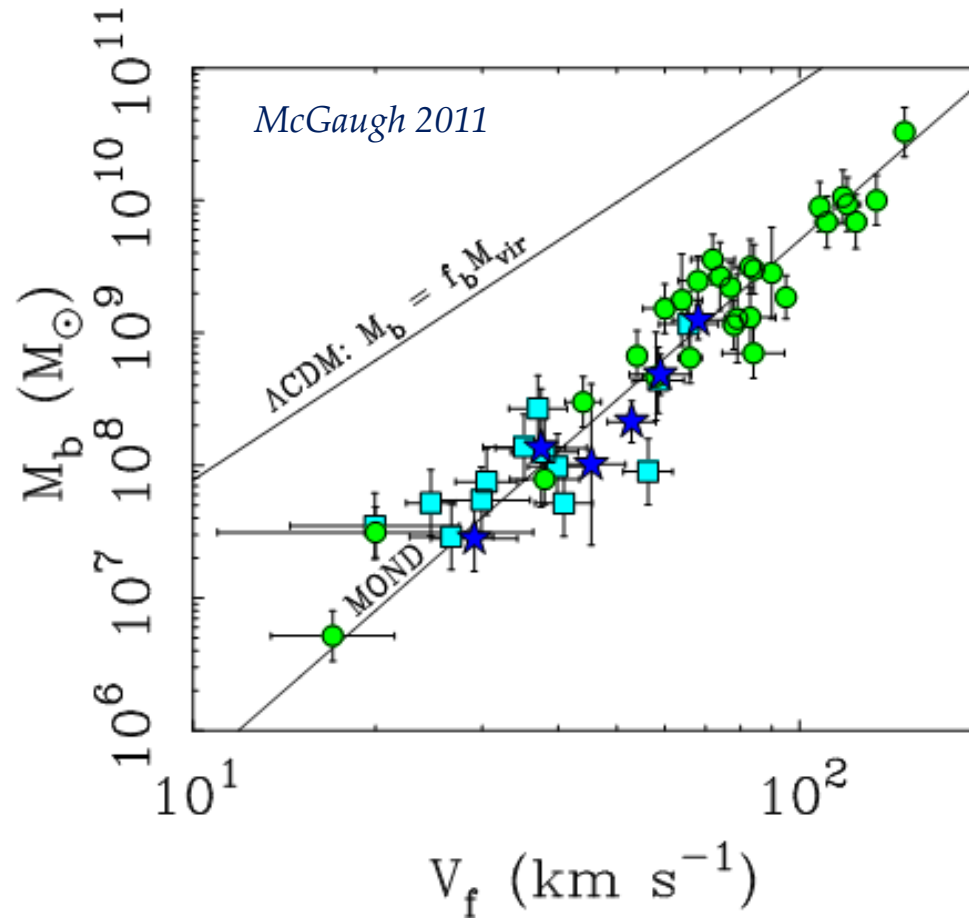
$$\frac{v^2}{r} = \sqrt{\frac{a_0 M G}{r^2}} \Rightarrow v^4 = a_0 M G$$

So MOND predicts

$$M = \frac{v^4}{a_0 G}$$

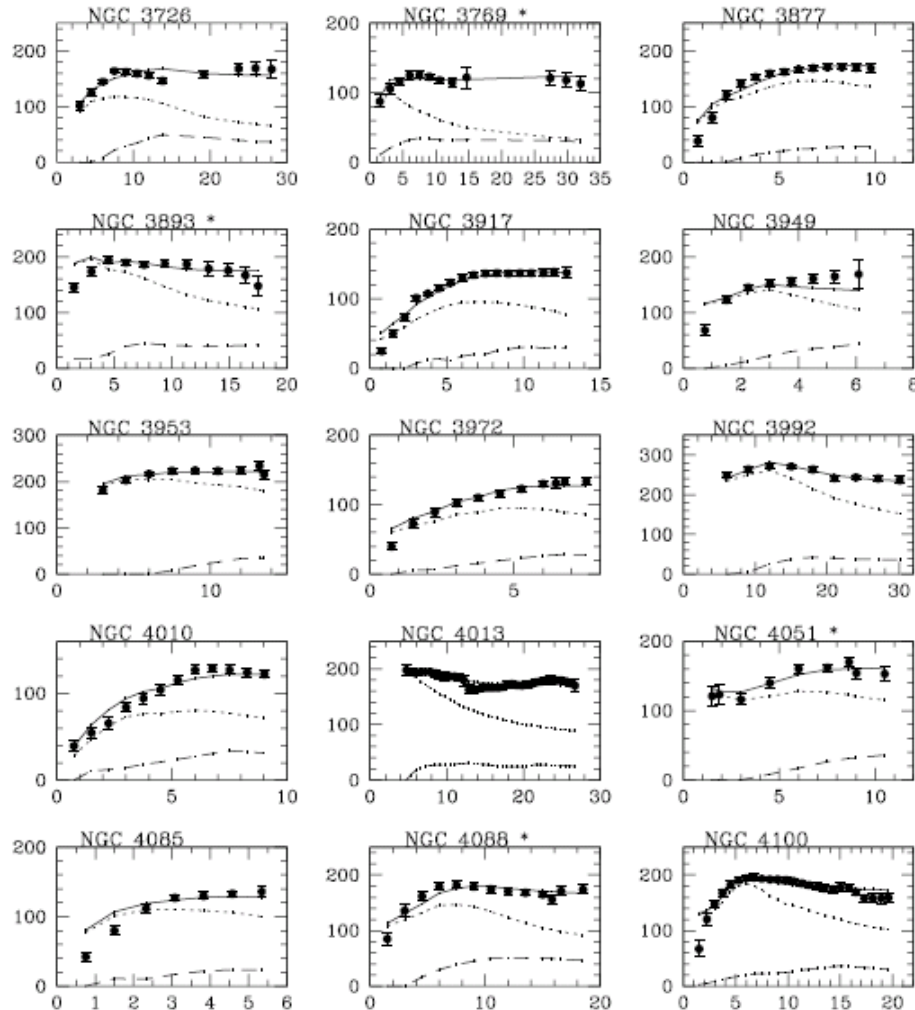
When the acceleration scale is fixed from rotation curves, this is a zero-parameter prediction!

... which has been verified (Tully-Fisher Law)



MOND does a good job doing what it was constructed to do

Fit Rotation Curves of many galaxies w/ only one free parameter (instead of 3 used in CDM).



McGaugh

MOND is not a complete theory but can be placed in a scalar-tensor theory

$$L_{\varphi} = \frac{a_0^2}{8\pi G} F(\varphi_{,\mu} \varphi^{,\mu} / a_0^2)$$

Bekenstein & Milgrom 1984

There is a new fundamental mass scale in the Lagrangian

$$\frac{a_0}{c} \approx \frac{v_{gal}^2}{c r_{gal}} \approx \frac{(200 \text{ km/sec})^2}{(3 \times 10^5 \text{ km/sec})(0.005 \text{ Mpc})} = 27 \frac{\text{km}}{\text{sec Mpc}} \approx H_0 \approx 10^{-33} \text{ eV}$$

TeVeS (Bekenstein 2004)

- Scalar-Tensor Models fail because of lensing constraints
- Add also a vector field (to get more lensing w/o dark matter)
- Scalar action:

$$S_\varphi = -\frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \sqrt{-\tilde{g}} \left[\chi (\tilde{g}^{\mu\nu} - A^\mu A^\nu) \varphi_{,\mu} \varphi_{,\nu} + V(\chi) \right]$$

Auxiliary scalar field added (χ) to make kinetic term standard; two parameters in potential V . $V(\chi)$ is related to the MOND function μ .

- We can now do cosmology: is there enough clustering w/o dark matter?

Inhomogeneities in TeVeS

Skordis 2006

Skordis, Mota, Ferreira, & Boehm 2006

Dodelson & Liguori 2006

Perturb all fields: (metric, matter, radiation)
+ (scalar field, vector field)

E.g., the perturbed metric is

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \text{diag}[-a^2(1-2\Psi), a^2(1+2\Phi), a^2(1+2\Phi), a^2(1+2\Phi)]$$

where a depends on time only and the **two** potentials depend on space and time.

Inhomogeneities in TeVeS

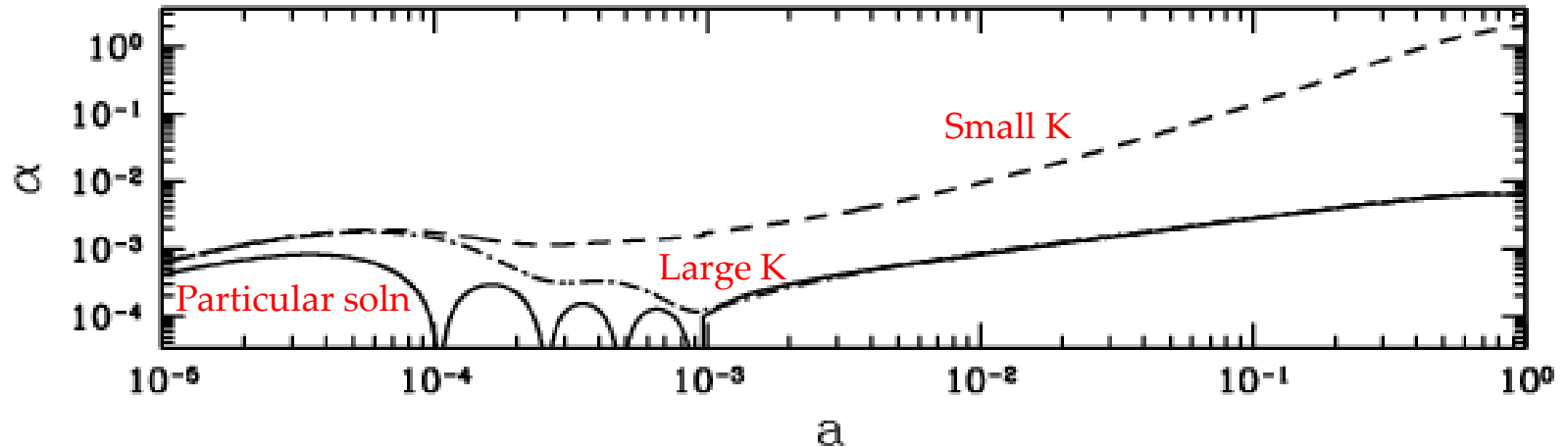
Other fields are perturbed in the standard way; only the vector perturbation is subtle.

$$A_{\mu} = ae^{-\varphi} (1 + \Psi + \delta\varphi, \vec{\alpha})$$

Constraint leaves only 3 DOF's. Two of these decouple from scalar perturbations, so we need track only the longitudinal component defined via:

$$\vec{\nabla} \alpha \equiv \vec{\alpha}$$

Inhomogeneities in TeVeS

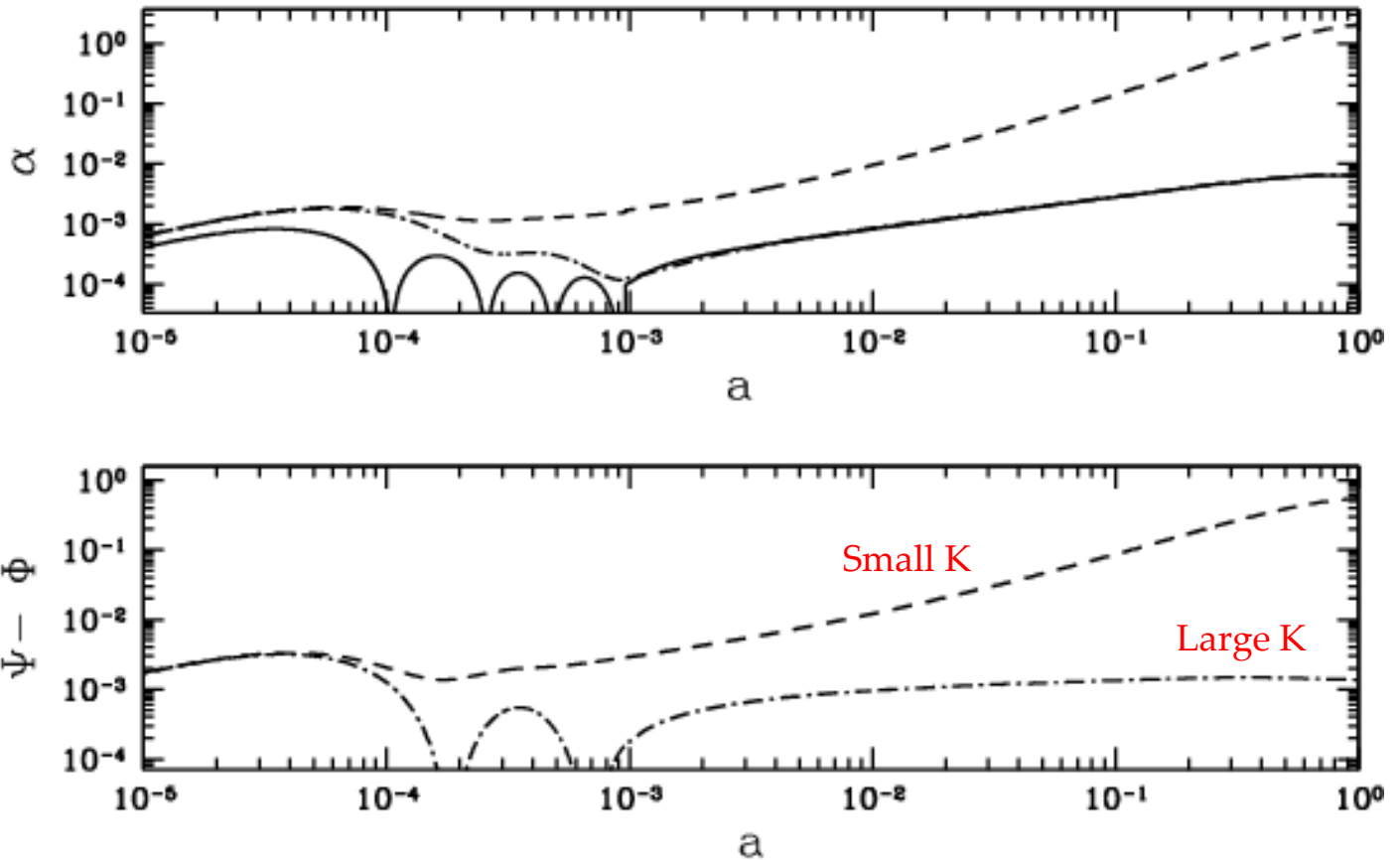


For large K , no growing mode: vector follows particular solution.

For small K , growing mode comes to dominate.

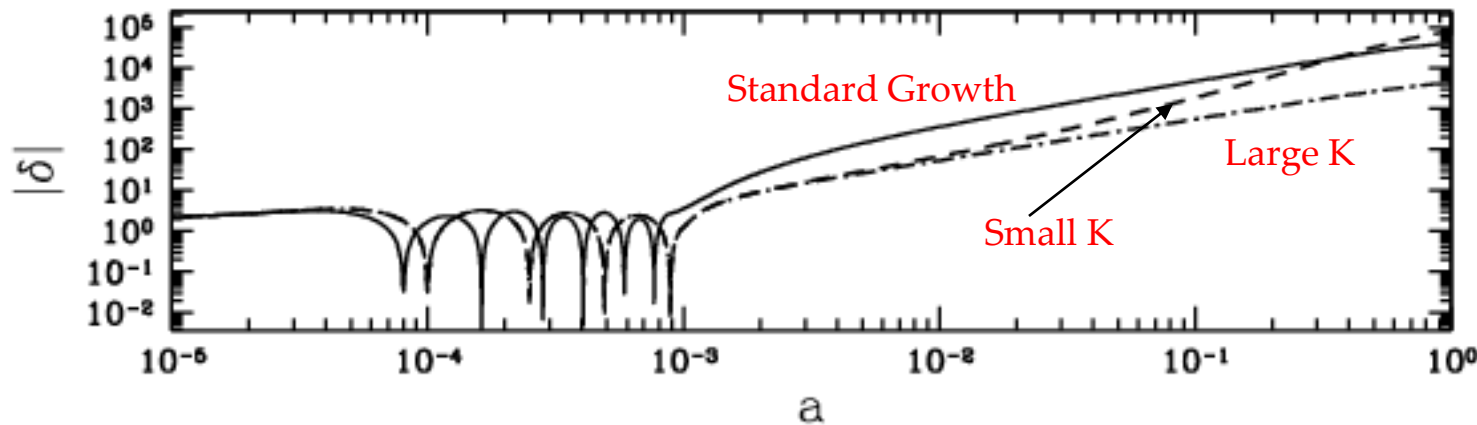
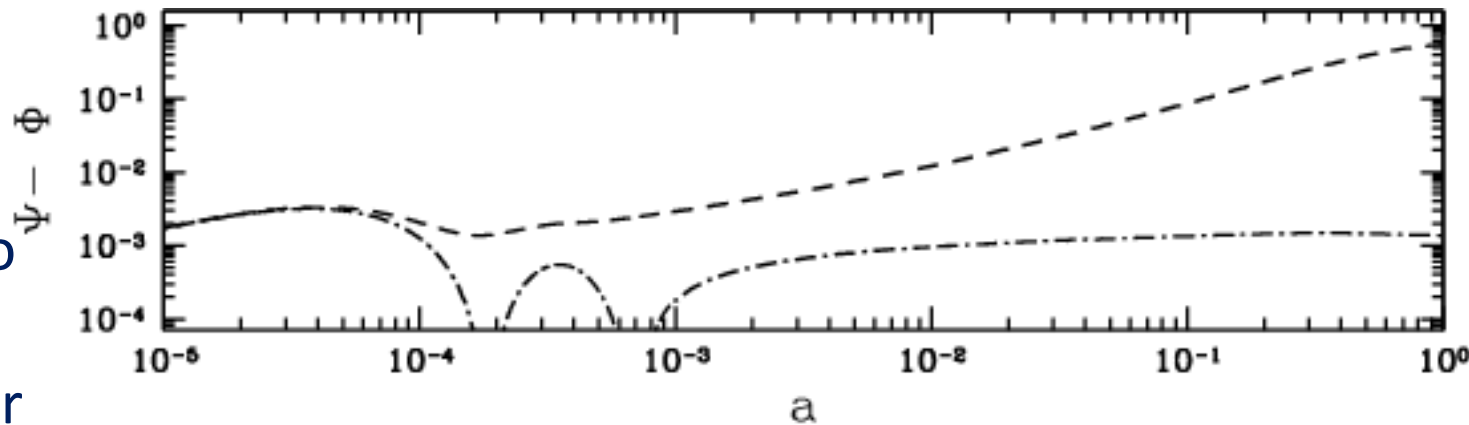
Inhomogeneities in TeVeS

This drives
difference in
the two
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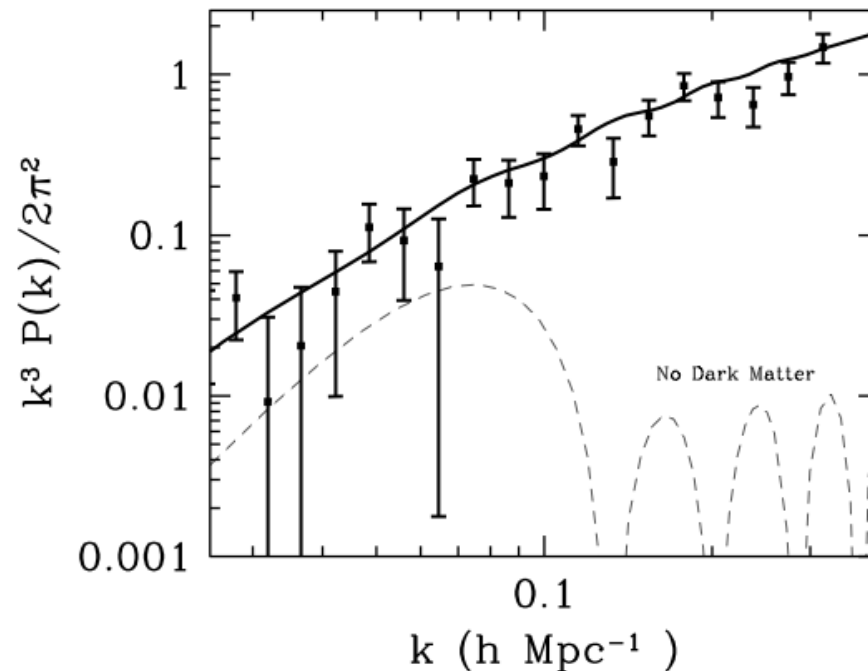


Inhomogeneities in TeVeS

... which leads to enhanced growth in matter perturbations!



Biggest Challenge to TeVeS or any no-Dark Matter model



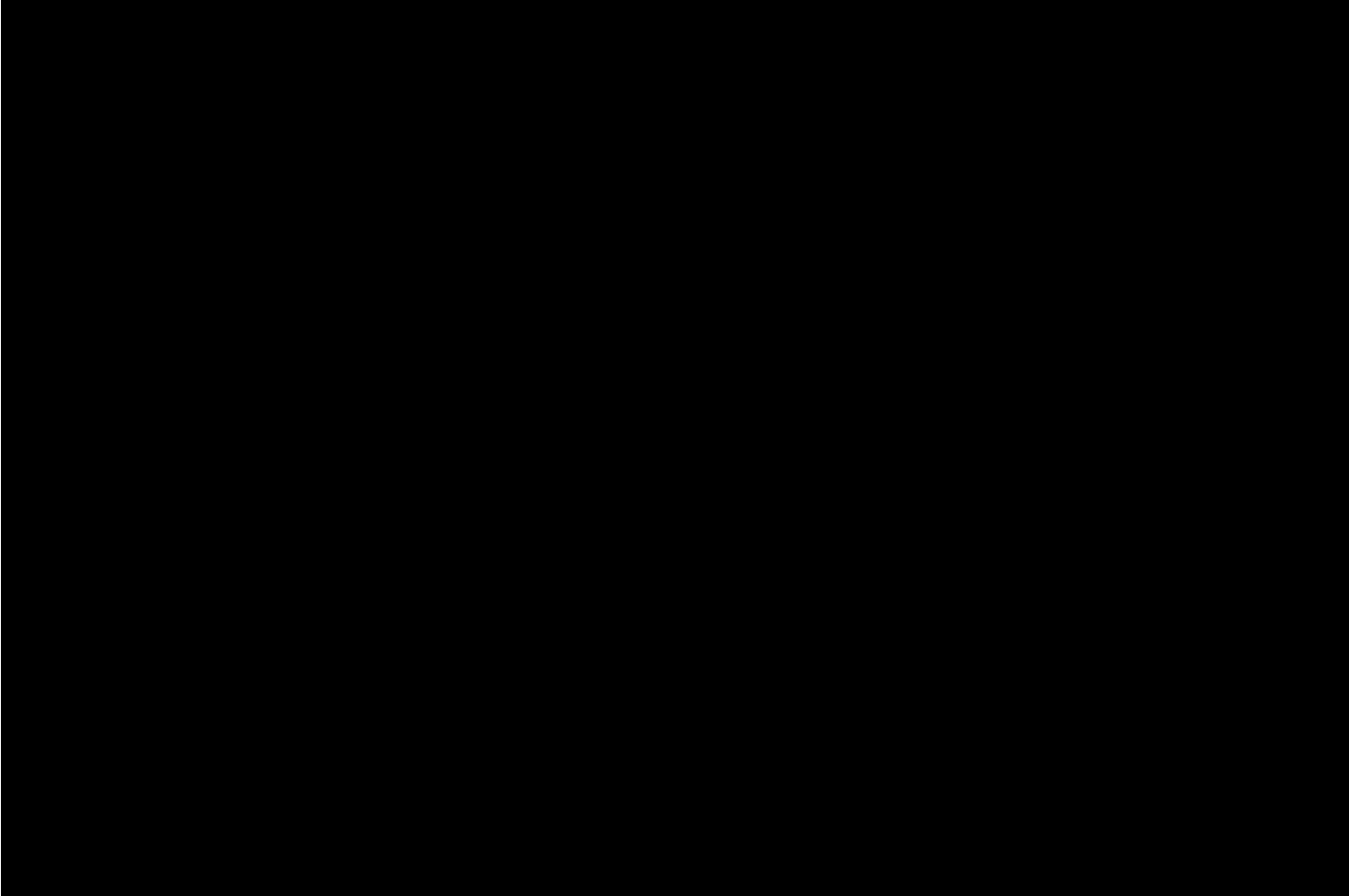
Why do we not observe large oscillations in the power spectrum?

The Dark Sector vs. Modified Gravity

- The simplest version of the Dark Matter hypothesis will be tested this decade
- Our views on what the new phenomena might mean are evolving
- This is a new incarnation of an age-old debate:

We do not
understand the
Laws

We understand the
Laws but are missing
some components



Constraints on $f(R)$

$$\left[f_R H^2 - \frac{f}{6} - \frac{\ddot{f}_R}{2} \right] > 0 \quad \text{at late times}$$

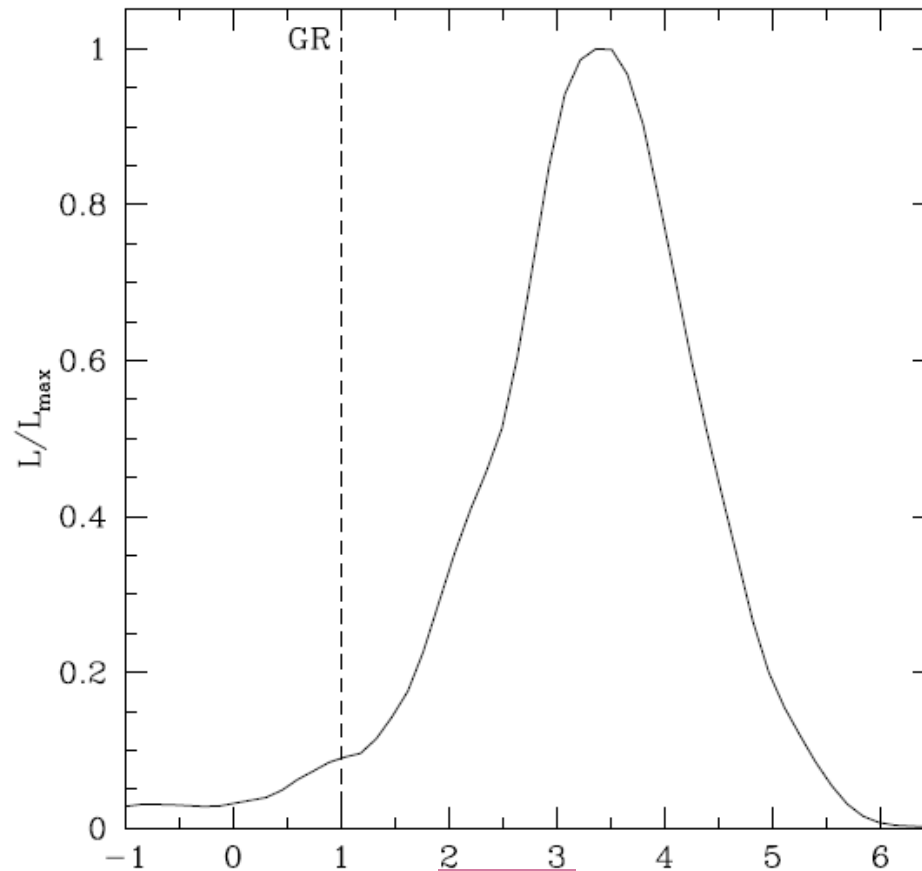
Note: f, R have dimensions of mass squared and $R \sim H^2$

Require

$$f = \frac{M^{2(1+n)}}{R^n}$$

Need to introduce new mass scale
of order $M \sim H_0 \sim 10^{-33}$ eV

Observed deviation from GR from lensing?



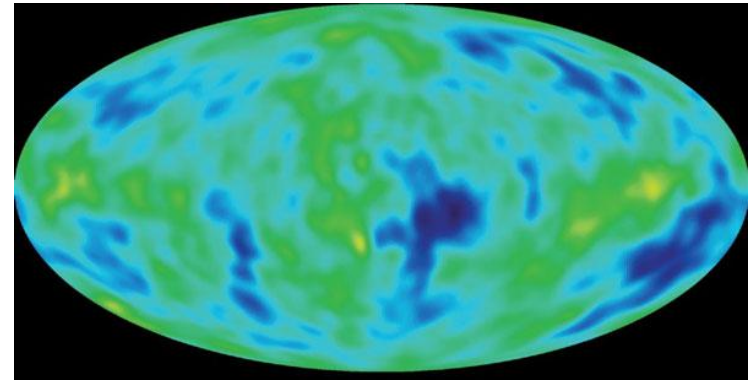
$1+g$

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Scott Dodelson,
Bean (2009)
Fermilab/University of Chicago

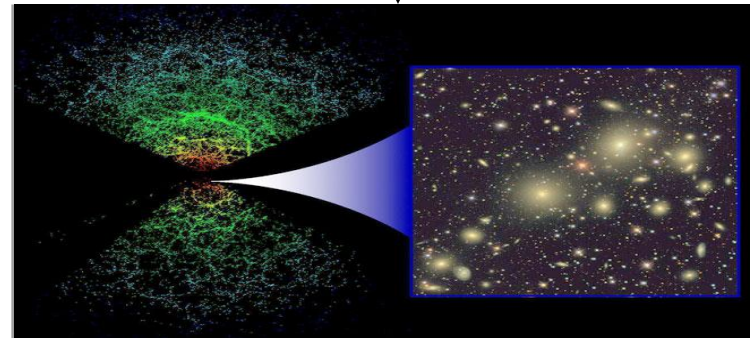
Primordial Gravitational Potentials Not Deep Enough to Produce Structure

Map of the photons, electrons, & protons when the Universe was 400,000 years old



COBE

Map of the galaxy distribution in the Universe today



Sloan Digital Sky Survey (SDSS)