

Cosmic Acceleration and Modified Gravity



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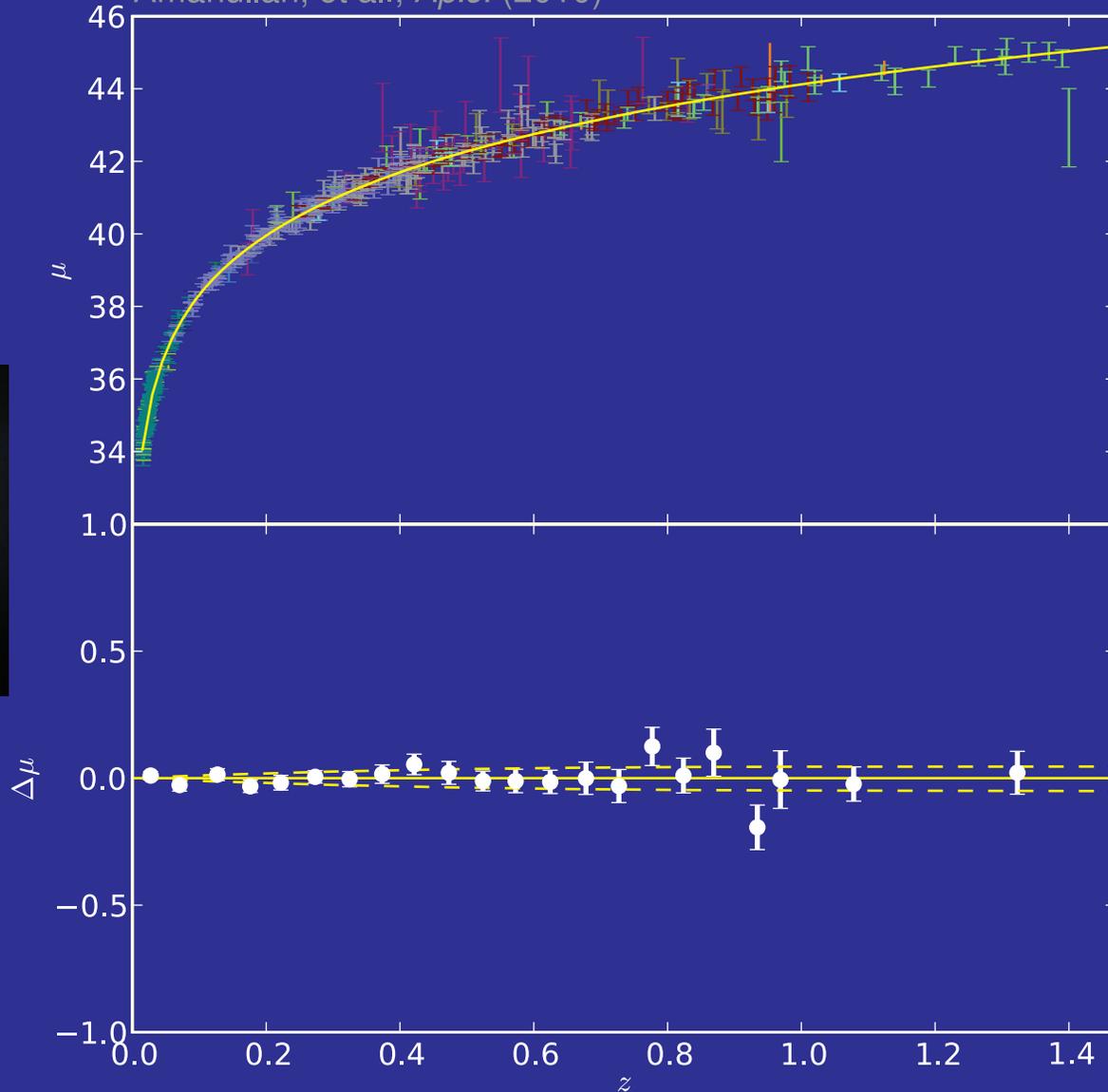
Outline

- Falsifiability of Λ CDM and Smooth Dark Energy
Distance-Redshift vs Structure Growth
- Modified gravity
Formal equivalence of dark energy and modified gravity
Nonlinear screening mechanism to return GR locally
Chameleon and Vainshtein signatures
- Toy model examples: $f(R)$, DGP, massive gravity
- Collaborators on the Market
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 - Amol Upadhye Mark Wyman
 - Ali Vanderveld

Equivalence

- Geometric measures of distance redshift from SN, CMB, BAO

Supernova Cosmology Project
Amanullah, et al., *Ap.J.* (2010)



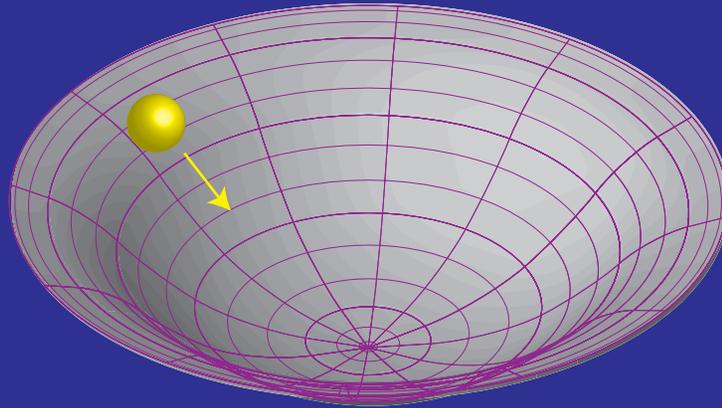
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Candle
Supernovae
Luminosity v Flux



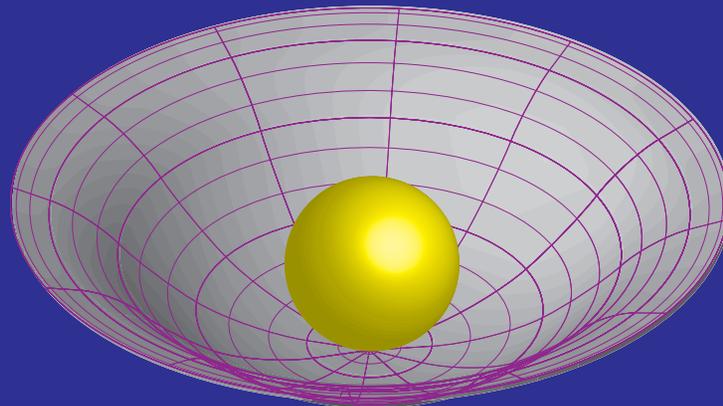
Standard Ruler
Sound Horizon
v CMB, BAO angular
and redshift separation

Mercury or Pluto?

- General relativity says **Gravity = Geometry**



- And **Geometry = Matter-Energy**



- Could the **missing energy** required by **acceleration** be an **incomplete** description of how **matter determines geometry**?

Two Potentials

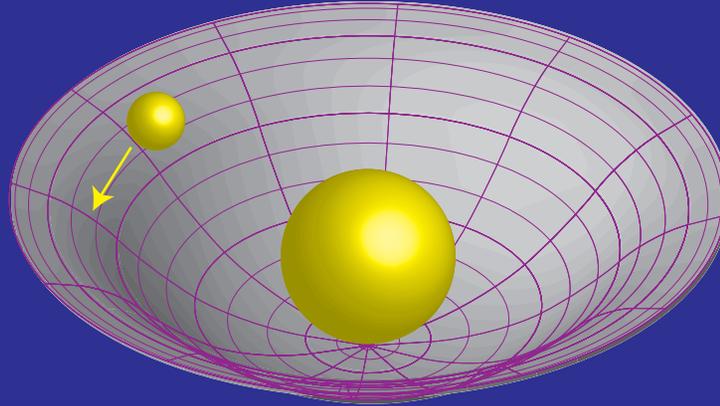
- Line Element

$$ds^2 = -(1 + 2\Psi)dt^2 + a^2(1 + 2\Phi)dx^2$$

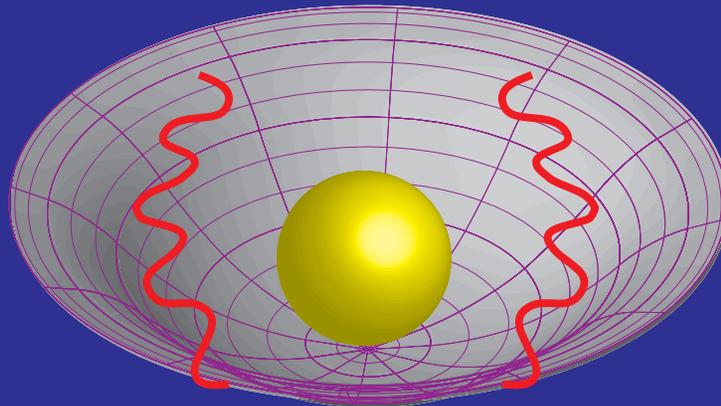
- **Newtonian** dynamical potential Ψ
- Space **curvature** potential Φ
- As in the parameterized **post Newtonian approach**, cosmological tests of the Φ/Ψ
- Space **curvature** per unit **dynamical mass**
- Given parameterized **metric**, matter falls on **geodesics**

Dynamical vs Lensing Mass

- Newtonian **potential**: $\Psi = \delta g_{00} / 2g_{00}$ which non-relativistic particles feel



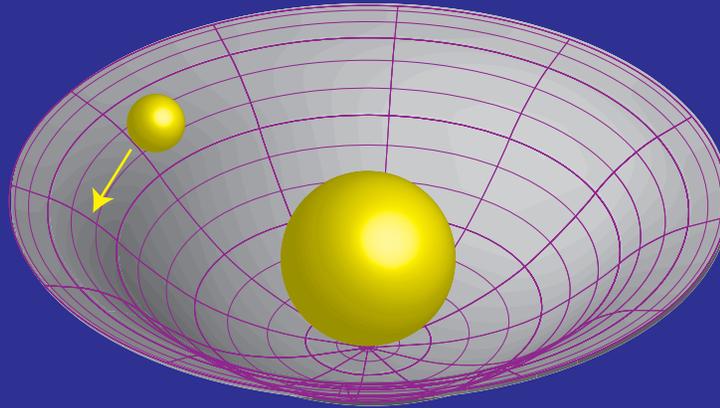
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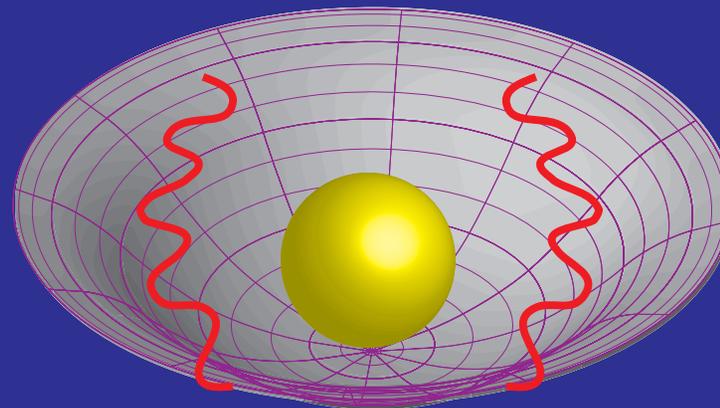
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Solar system: **sun**
Cosmology: **unknown**
dark sector

- Tests of **space curvature** per unit **dynamical mass** are the least model dependent, but one suffices **cosmologically** combined with **distance**

Modified Gravity = Dark Energy?

- Solar system tests of gravity are informed by our knowledge of the local stress energy content
- With no other constraint on the stress energy of dark energy other than conservation, modified gravity is formally equivalent to dark energy

$$\begin{aligned} F(g_{\mu\nu}) + G_{\mu\nu} &= 8\pi G T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{M}} & - F(g_{\mu\nu}) &= 8\pi G T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{DE}} \\ G_{\mu\nu} &= 8\pi G [T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{M}} + T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{DE}}] \end{aligned}$$

and the Bianchi identity guarantees $\nabla^{\mu} T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{DE}} = 0$

- Distinguishing between dark energy and modified gravity requires closure relations that relate components of stress energy tensor
- For matter components, closure relations take the form of equations of state relating density, pressure and anisotropic stress

Smooth Dark Energy

- **Scalar field** dark energy has $\delta p = \delta \rho$ (in constant field gauge) – relativistic sound speed, **no anisotropic** stress
- **Jeans stability** implies that its energy density is **spatially smooth** compared with the **matter** below the **sound horizon**

$$ds^2 = -(1 + 2\Psi)dt^2 + a^2(1 + 2\Phi)dx^2$$
$$\nabla^2\Phi \propto \text{matter density fluctuation}$$

- **Anisotropic stress** changes the amount of **space curvature** per unit **dynamical mass**: negligible for both matter and smooth dark energy

$$\nabla^2(\Phi + \Psi) \propto \text{anisotropic stress approx } 0$$

in contrast to **modified gravity** or force-law models

Falsifiability of Smooth Dark Energy

- With the **smoothness assumption**, dark energy only affects **gravitational growth of structure** through changing the **expansion rate**
- Hence **geometric** measurements of the expansion rate **predict** the **growth** of structure
 - Hubble Constant
 - Supernovae
 - Baryon Acoustic Oscillations
- **Growth of structure** measurements can therefore **falsify** the whole smooth dark energy paradigm
 - Cluster Abundance
 - Weak Lensing
 - Velocity Field (Redshift Space Distortion)

Falsify Standard Model

- Anomalous events for highly predictive smooth dark energy model



standard model
for appearance of Japanese women

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anomalous
event

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Harajuku:
sampling bias, trials
factor

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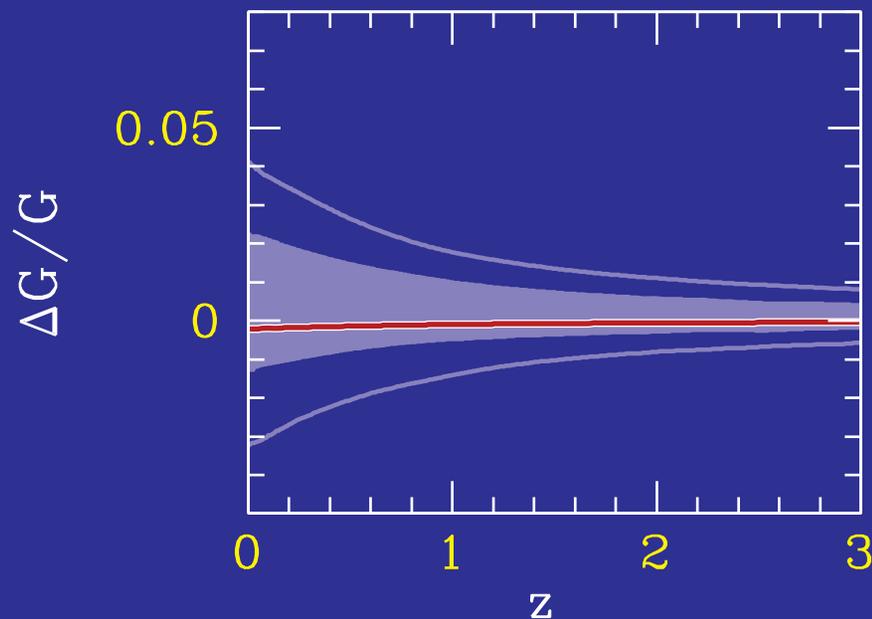


systematic error!
high redshift interloper

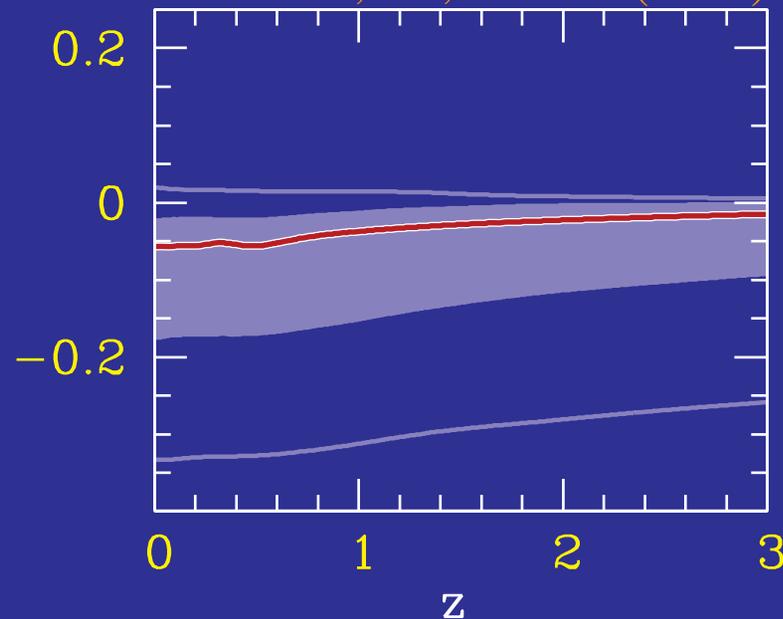
Falsifying Quintessence

- Dark energy slows growth of structure in highly predictive way

Mortonson, Hu, Huterer (2009)



Cosmological Constant



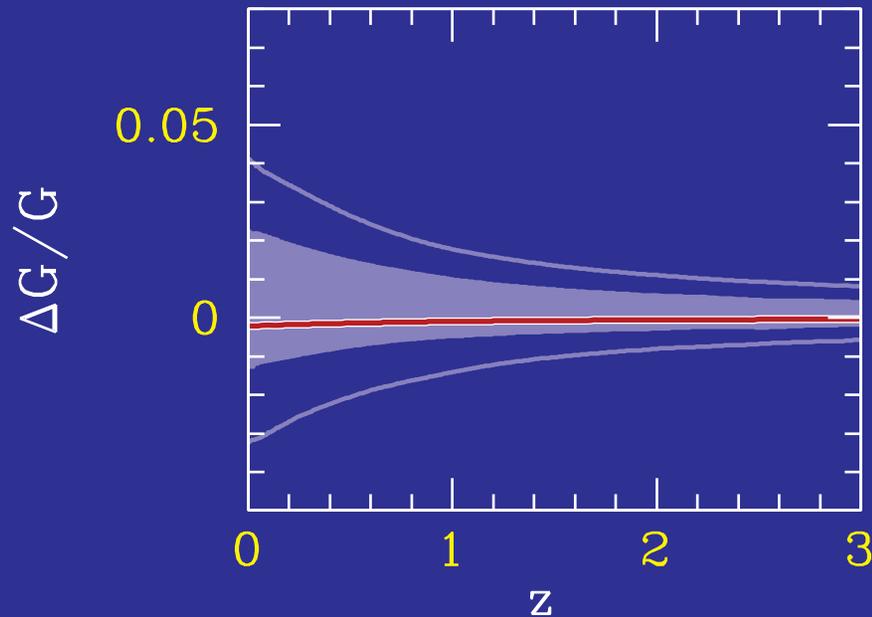
Quintessence

- Deviation significantly $>2\%$ rules out Λ with or without curvature
- Excess $>2\%$ rules out quintessence with or without curvature and early dark energy [as does $>2\%$ excess in H_0]

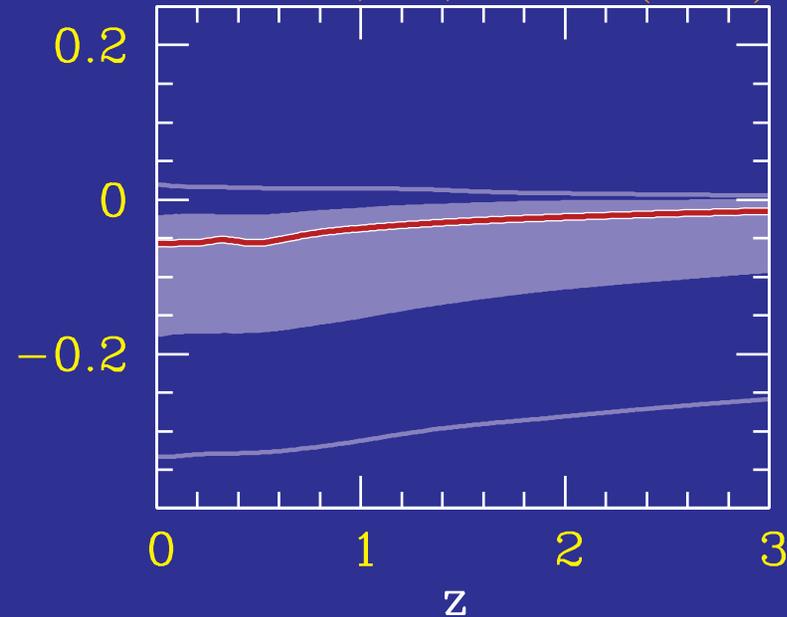
Dynamical Tests of Acceleration

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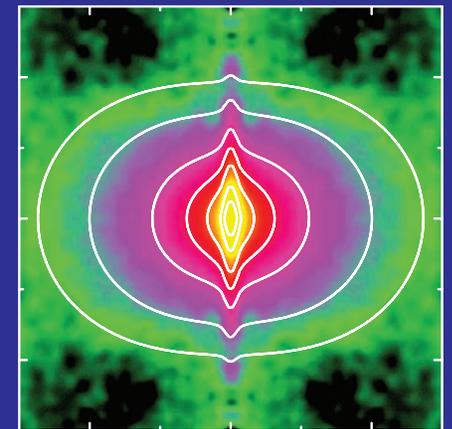
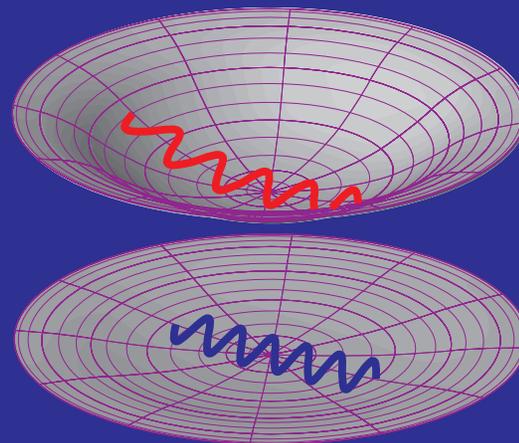
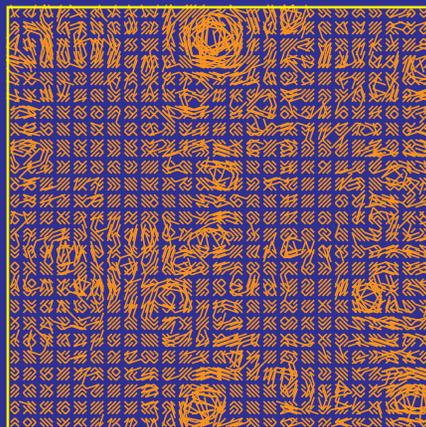
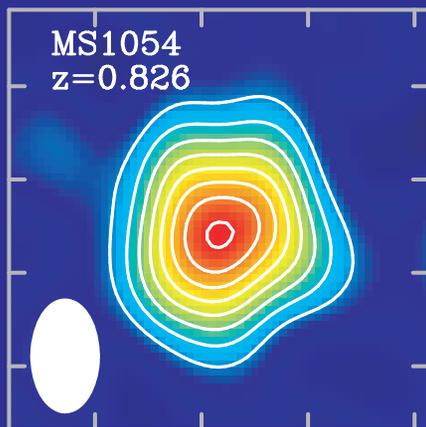
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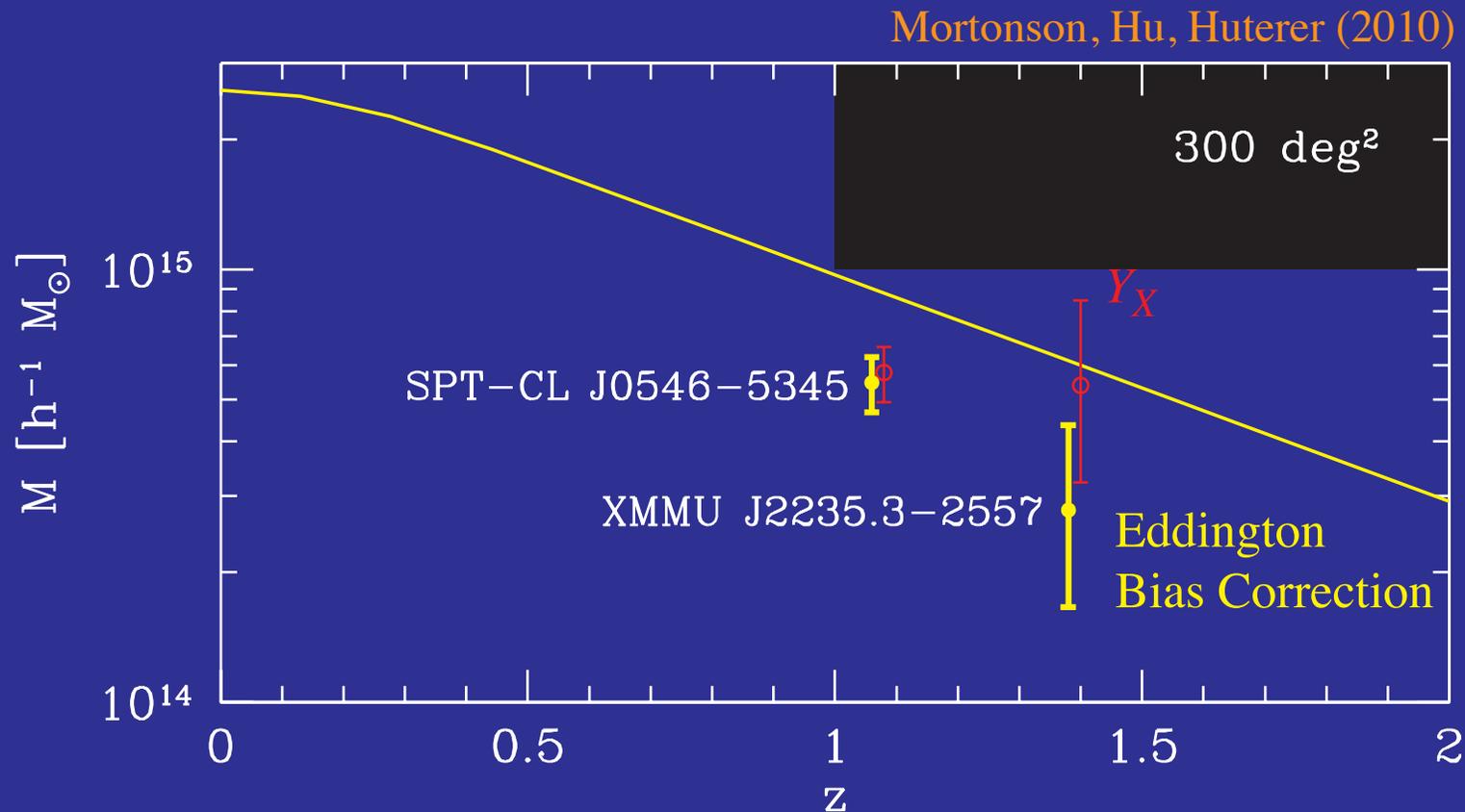


Quintessence



Λ CDM Falsified?

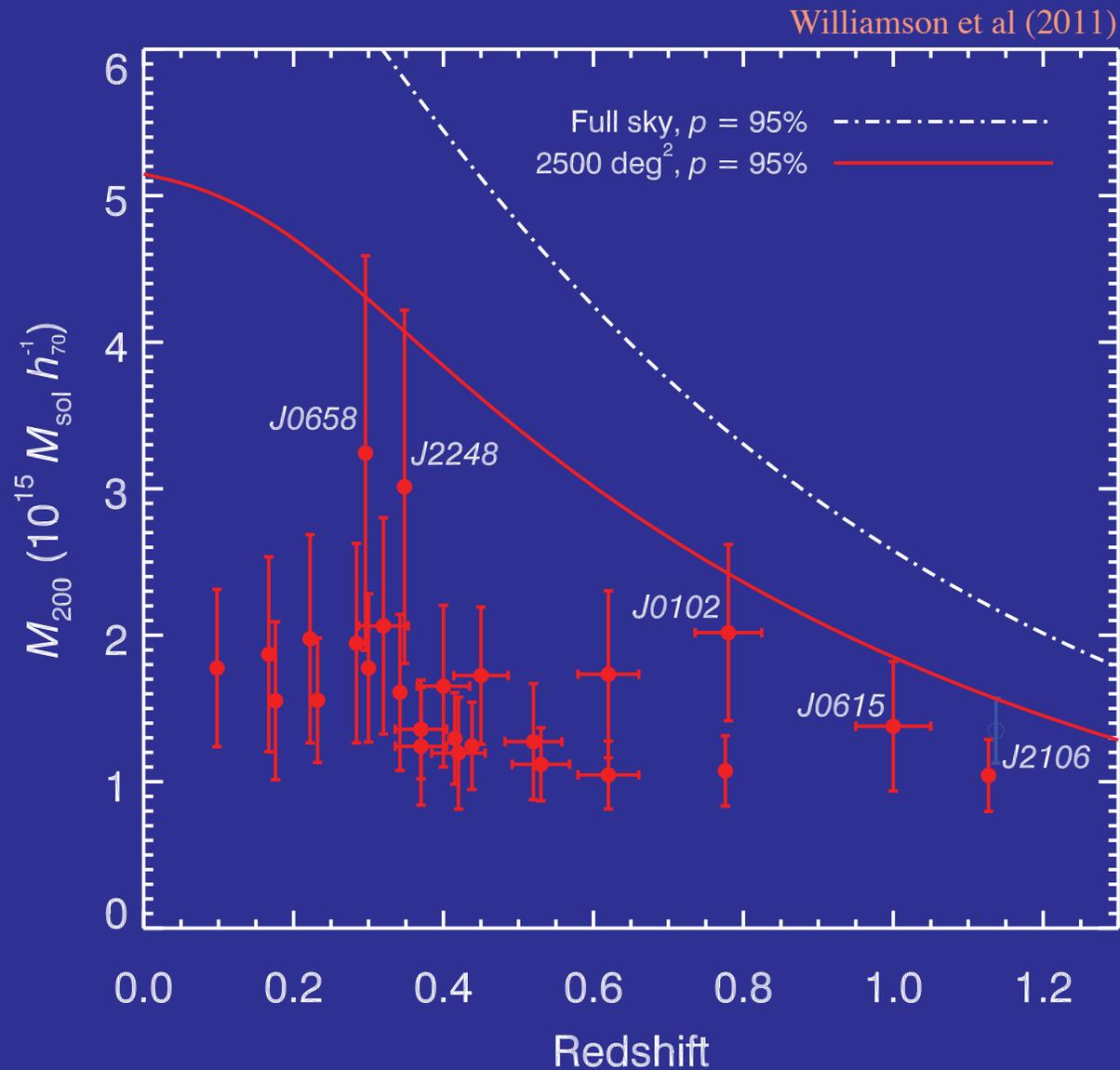
- 95% of Λ CDM parameter space predicts less than 1 cluster in 95% of samples of the survey area $>M(>z)$



Threshold Bias: Hotchkiss (2011)

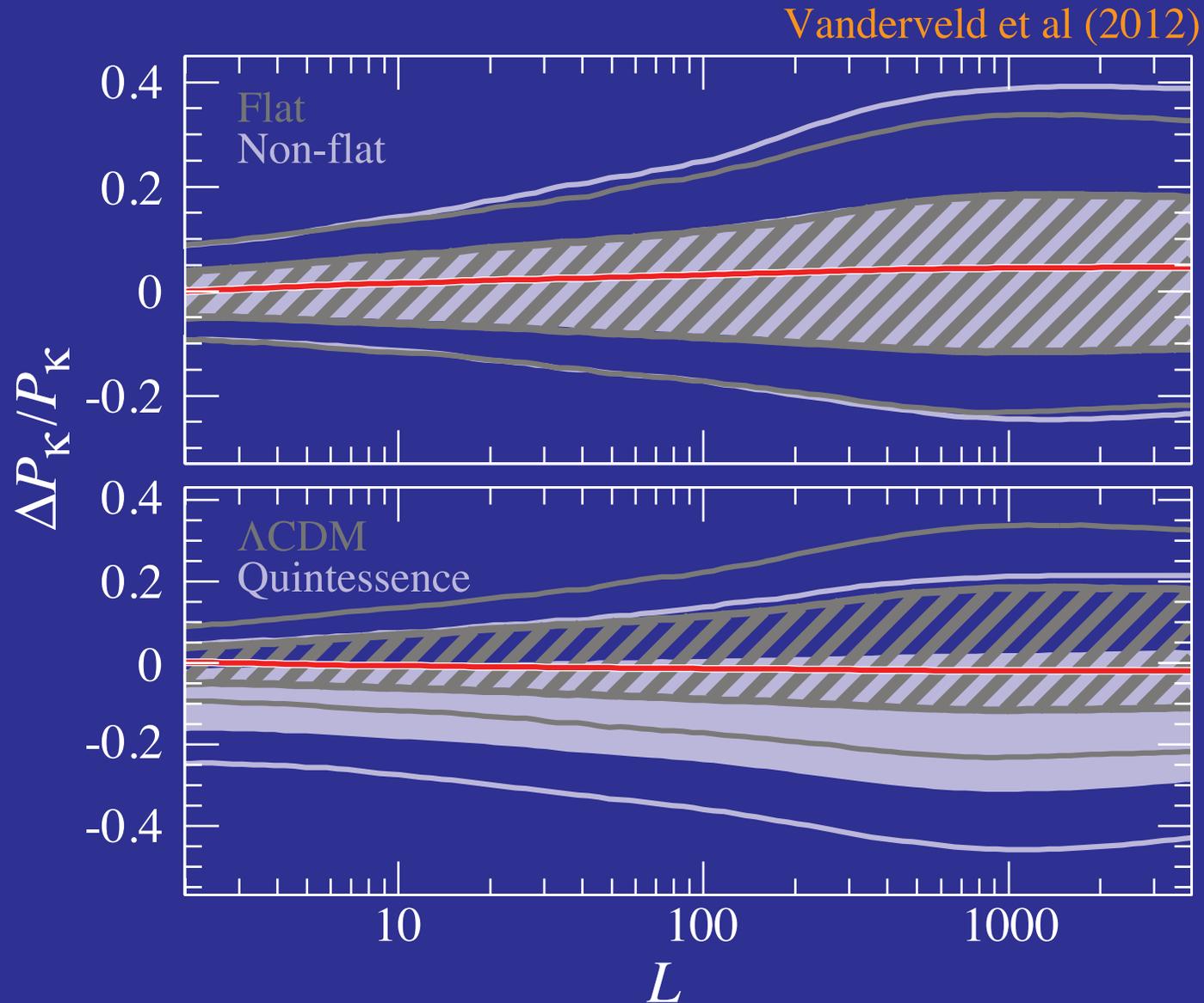
Pink Elephant Parade

- SPT catalogue on 2500 sq degrees



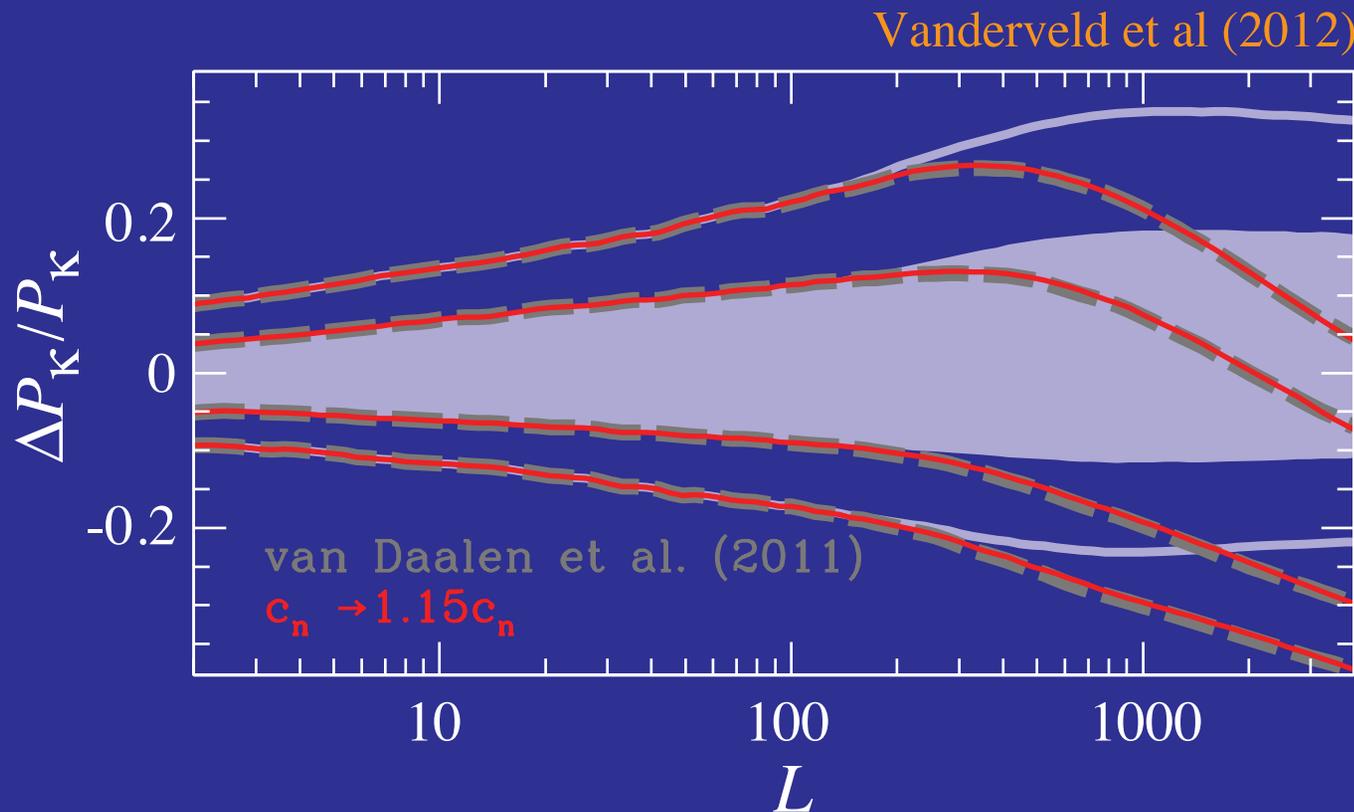
Cosmic Shear Tests

- **Convergence power spectrum** of CFHLT-like survey; currently consistent with Λ CDM



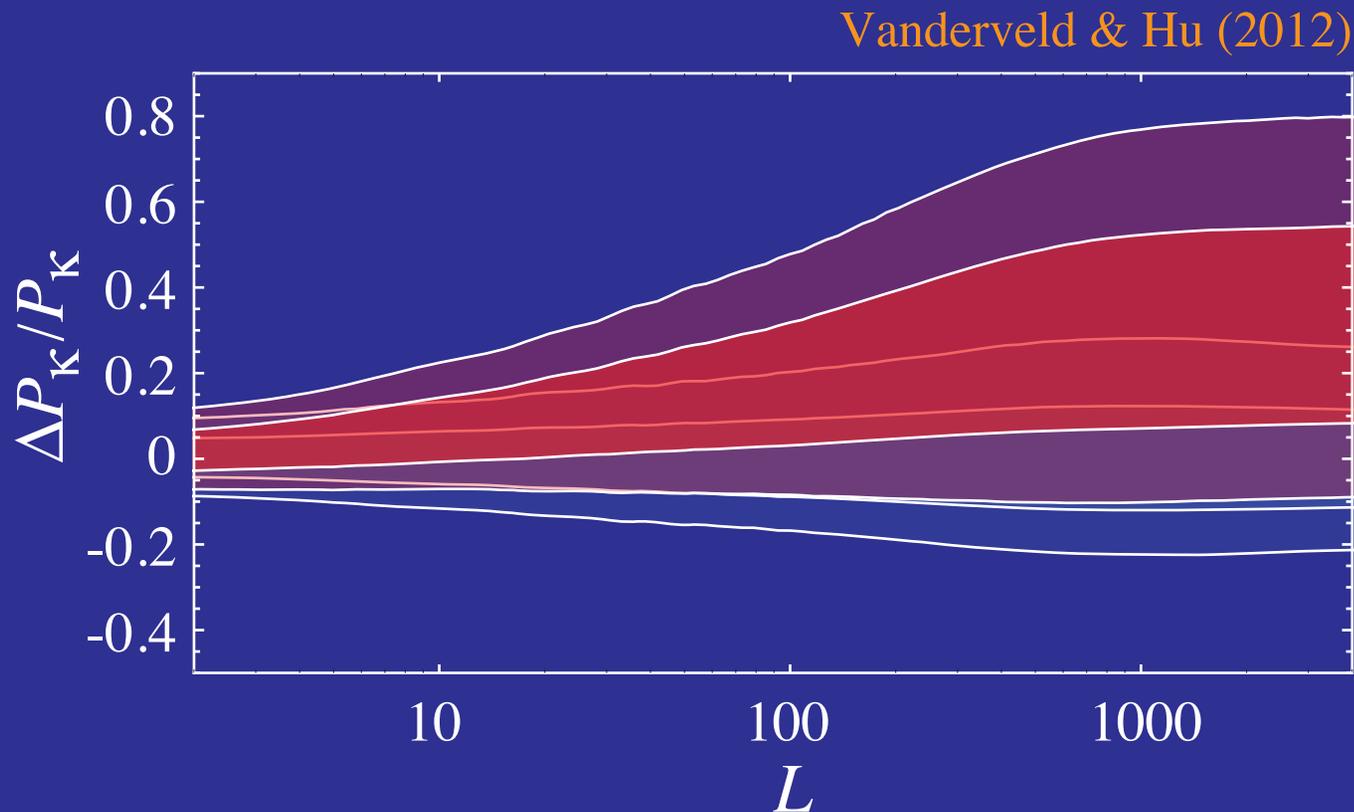
Cosmic Shear Tests

- Systematics from **baryonic feedback** (e.g. AGN, cooling, star formation in clusters) comparable to statistical errors
- **Calibration** must be **improved**
- **Residual uncertainties** characterized by variations in **Halofit** parameters



Neutrinos

- New **dark-sector physics** not necessarily **dark energy**
- **Sterile neutrinos** change **CMB inferences** and allow **more small scale power** through **tilt**
- Accidental **degeneracy** will soon be resolved by **Planck**



Falsify in Favor of?

- Parameterize ignorance:
 $\Phi/\Psi(\mathbf{x},t)$ - not constant not k
- Develop and study **toy models** derivable from Lagrangian
screening models, **nonlinear** tests

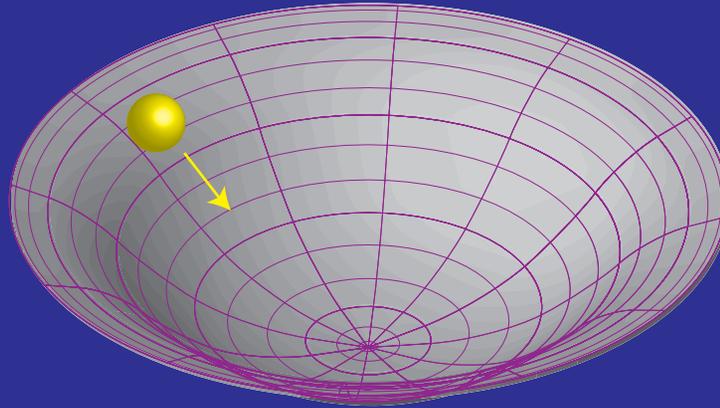


Hordes of parameters (people, telecons...)

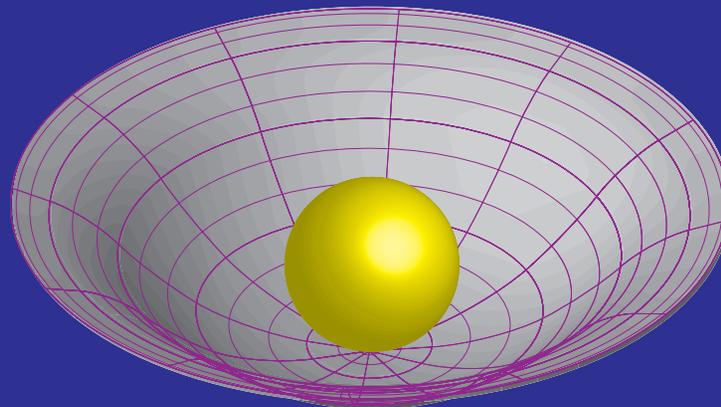
Something **fishy** (kill what you work on...)

Mercury or Pluto?

- Excess power could be explained by changing force law
Keep Gravity as Geometry (microscopic equivalence principle)



- But modify how Geometry = Matter-Energy



Nonlinearly Screened DOFs

- Modifications of gravity will introduce new propagating degrees of freedom (Weinberg)
- These DOFs mediate fifth forces and may lead to ghost and tachyon instabilities
- Even attempts to modify gravity on cosmological scales (IR) will have consequences for small scales (e.g. vDVZ discontinuity)
- Fifth forces are highly constrained in the solar system and lab
- Must be screened by a nonlinear mechanism in the presence of matter source: chameleon, symmetron, Vainshtein...
- Realization in models: $f(R)$, DGP, galileon, massive gravity
- $f(R)$, DGP examples solved from horizon scales through to dark matter halo scales with N -body simulations

Cast of $f(R)$ Characters

- R : Ricci scalar or “curvature”
- $f(R)$: modified action (Starobinsky 1980; Nojiri & Odintsov 2003; Carroll et al 2004)

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{R + f(R)}{16\pi G} + \mathcal{L}_m \right]$$

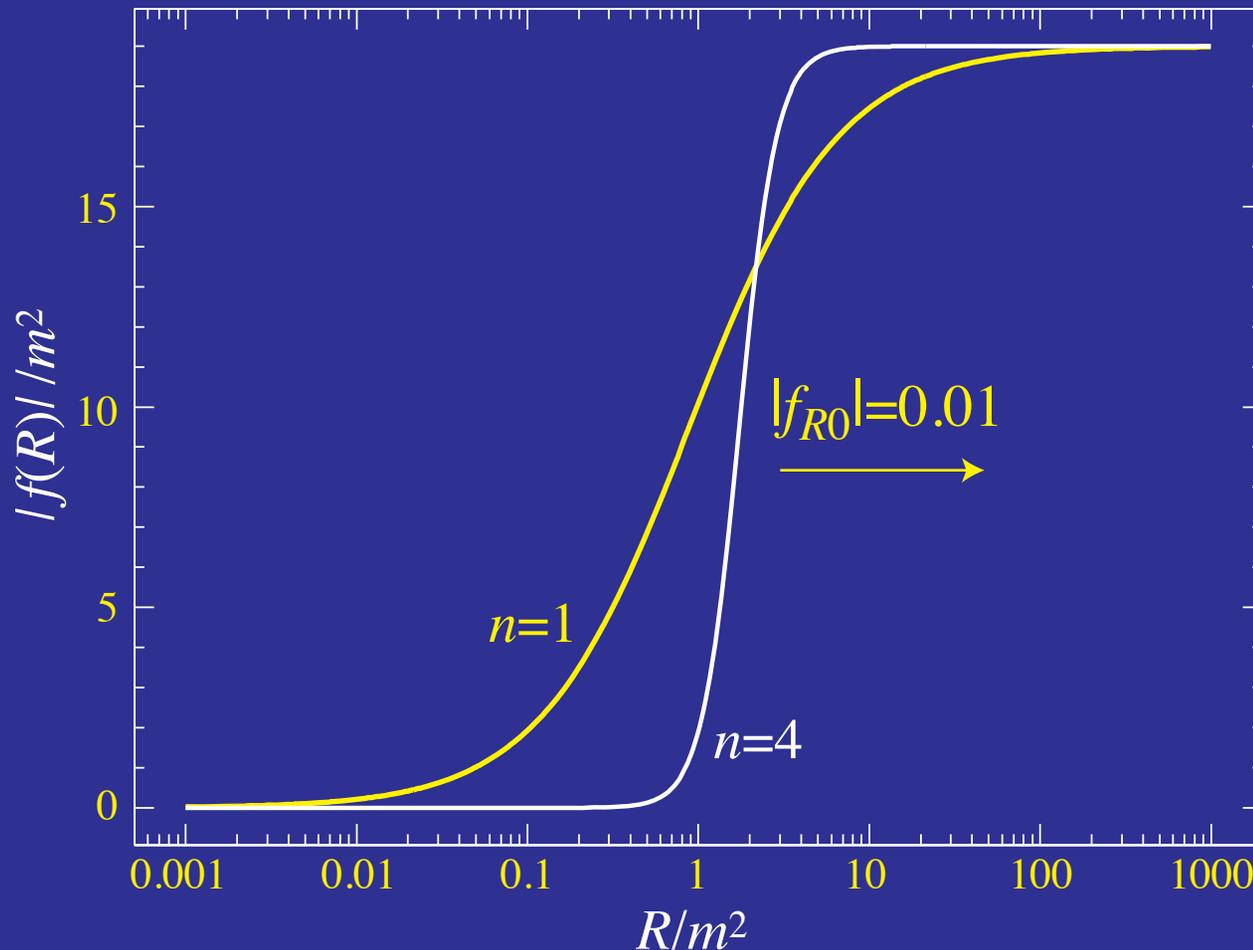
- $f_R \equiv df/dR$: additional propagating **scalar** degree of freedom (metric variation)
- $f_{RR} \equiv d^2f/dR^2$: **Compton wavelength** of f_R squared, inverse mass squared
- B : Compton wavelength of f_R squared in units of the Hubble length

$$B \equiv \frac{f_{RR}}{1 + f_R} R' \frac{H}{H'}$$

- $' \equiv d/d \ln a$: scale factor as time coordinate

Form of $f(R)$ Models

- Transition from **zero** to **constant** across an adjustable curvature scale
- Slope n controls the **rapidity** of transition, field amplitude f_{R0} **position**
- Background **curvature** stops declining during acceleration epoch and thereafter behaves like **cosmological constant**



Three Regimes

- Fully worked $f(R)$ example show 3 regimes
- **Superhorizon** regime: constant comoving curvature, $g(a)$
- **Linear** regime - closure \leftrightarrow “smooth” dark energy density:

$$k^2(\Phi - \Psi)/2 = 4\pi G a^2 \Delta\rho$$
$$(\Phi + \Psi)/(\Phi - \Psi) = g(a, k)$$

In principle $G(a)$ but conformal invariance: deviations order f_R

- **Non-linear** regime, scalar f_R :

$$\nabla^2(\Phi - \Psi)/2 = -4\pi G a^2 \Delta\rho$$
$$\nabla^2\Psi = 4\pi G a^2 \Delta\rho + \frac{1}{2}\nabla^2 f_R$$

with non-linearity in the **field equation**

$$\nabla^2 f_R = g_{\text{lin}}(a) a^2 (8\pi G \Delta\rho - N[f_R])$$

Non-Linear Chameleon

- For $f(R)$ the field equation

$$\nabla^2 f_R \approx \frac{1}{3}(\delta R(f_R) - 8\pi G\delta\rho)$$

is the **non-linear** equation that returns **general relativity**

- **High curvature** implies short Compton wavelength and **suppressed deviations** but requires a **change** in the **field** from the background value $\delta R(f_R)$
- Change in field is generated by **density perturbations** just like **gravitational potential** so that the chameleon appears only if

$$\Delta f_R \leq \frac{2}{3}\Phi,$$

else required **field** gradients **too large** despite $\delta R = 8\pi G\delta\rho$ being the **local minimum** of effective potential

Non-Linear Dynamics

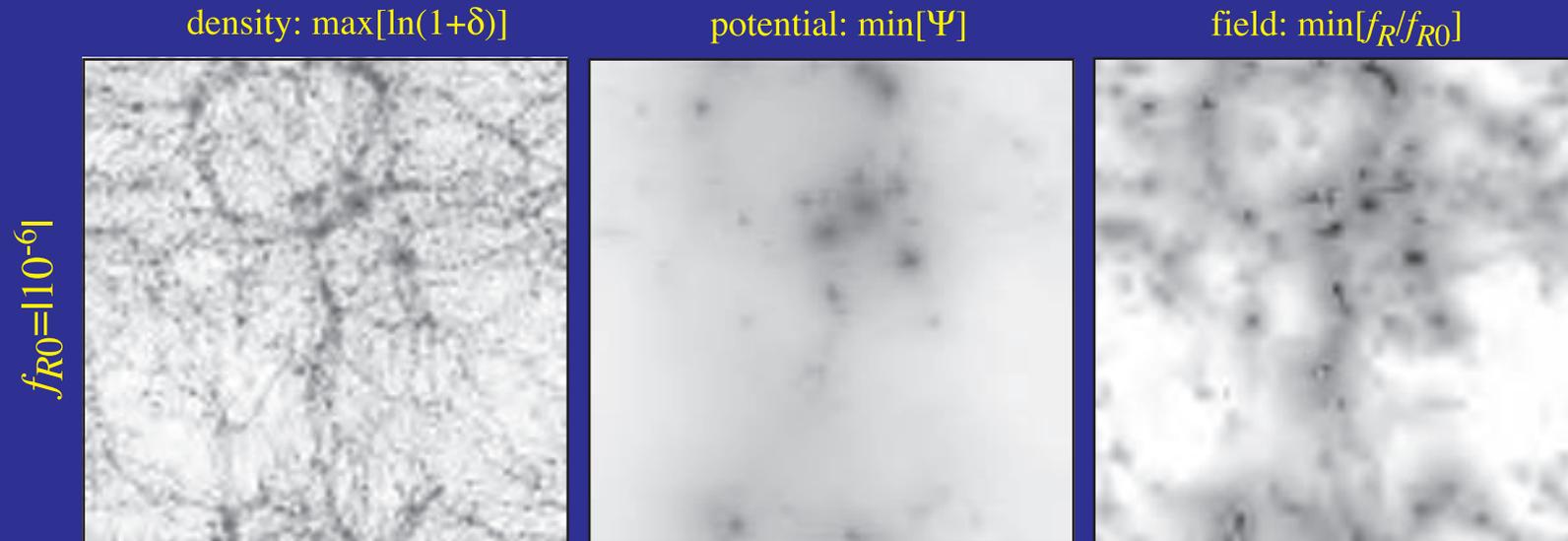
- Supplement that with the **modified Poisson equation**

$$\nabla^2 \Psi = \frac{16\pi G}{3} \delta\rho - \frac{1}{6} \delta R(f_R)$$

- Matter evolution given metric unchanged: usual **motion of matter** in a gravitational potential Ψ
- Prescription for **N -body** code
- **Particle Mesh** (PM) for the Poisson equation
- Field equation is a non-linear Poisson equation: **relaxation** method for f_R
- **Initial conditions** set to GR at high redshift

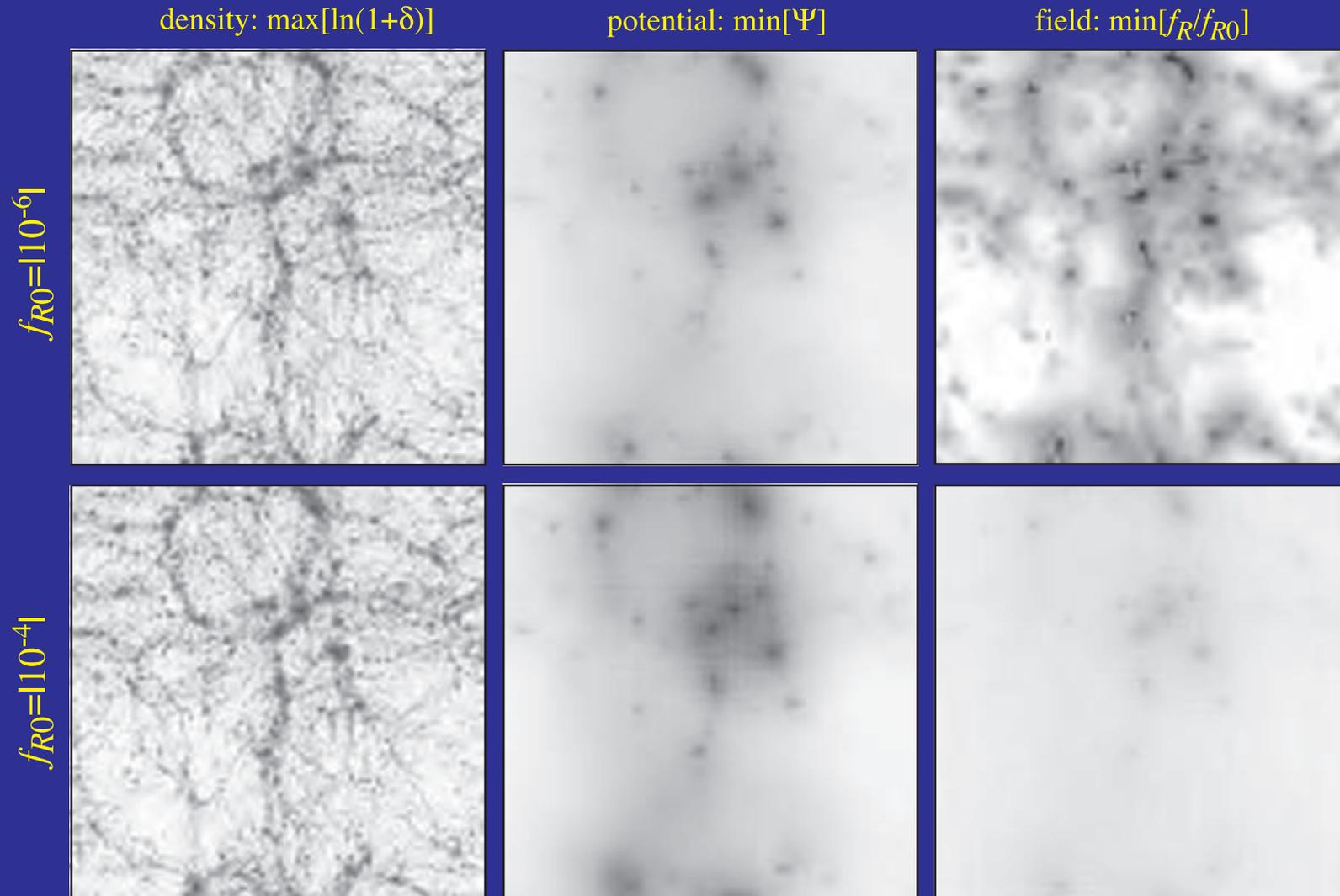
Environment Dependent Force

- Chameleon suppresses extra force (scalar field) in high density, deep potential regions



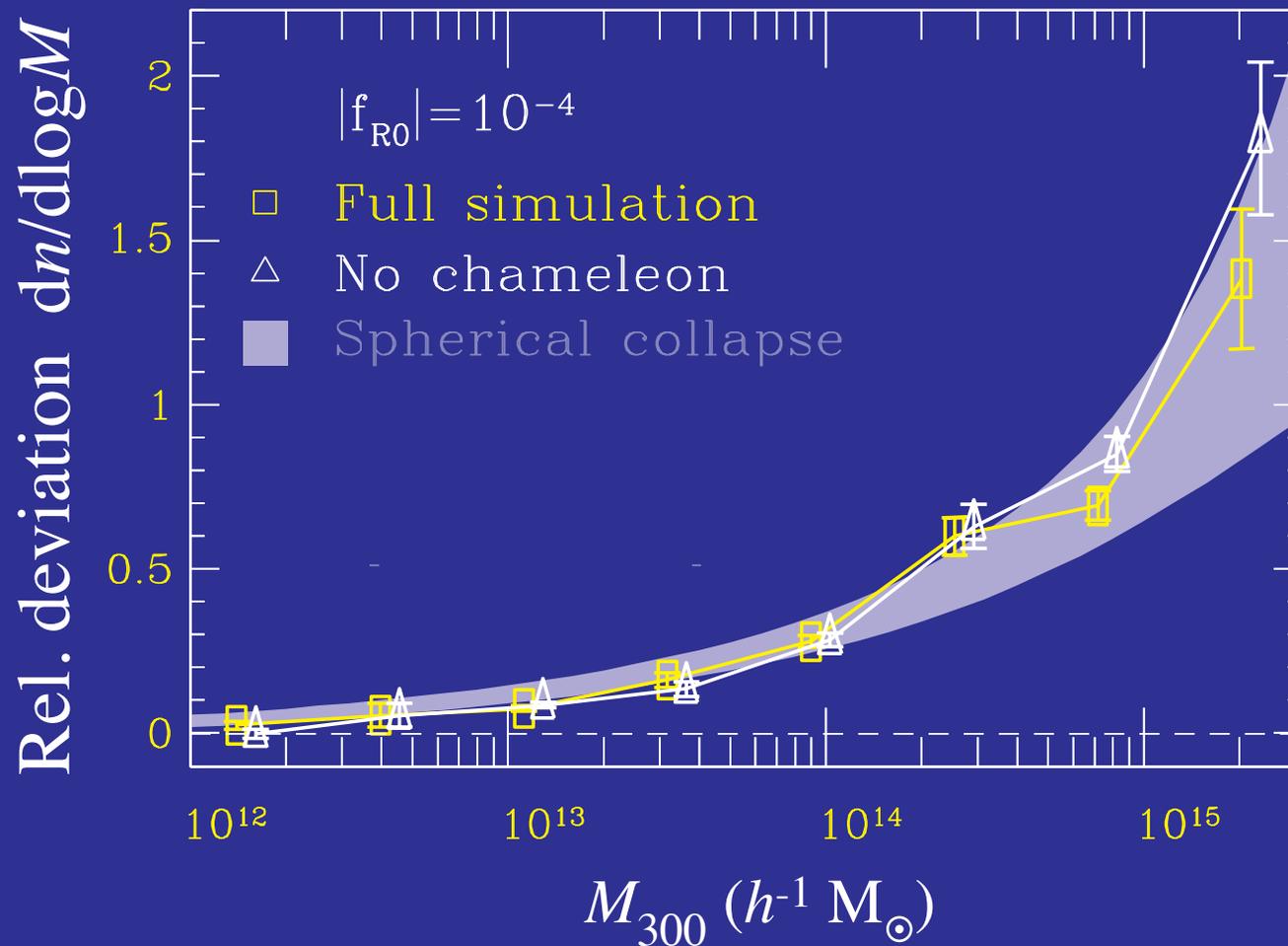
Environment Dependent Force

- For large background field, gradients in the scalar prevent the chameleon from appearing



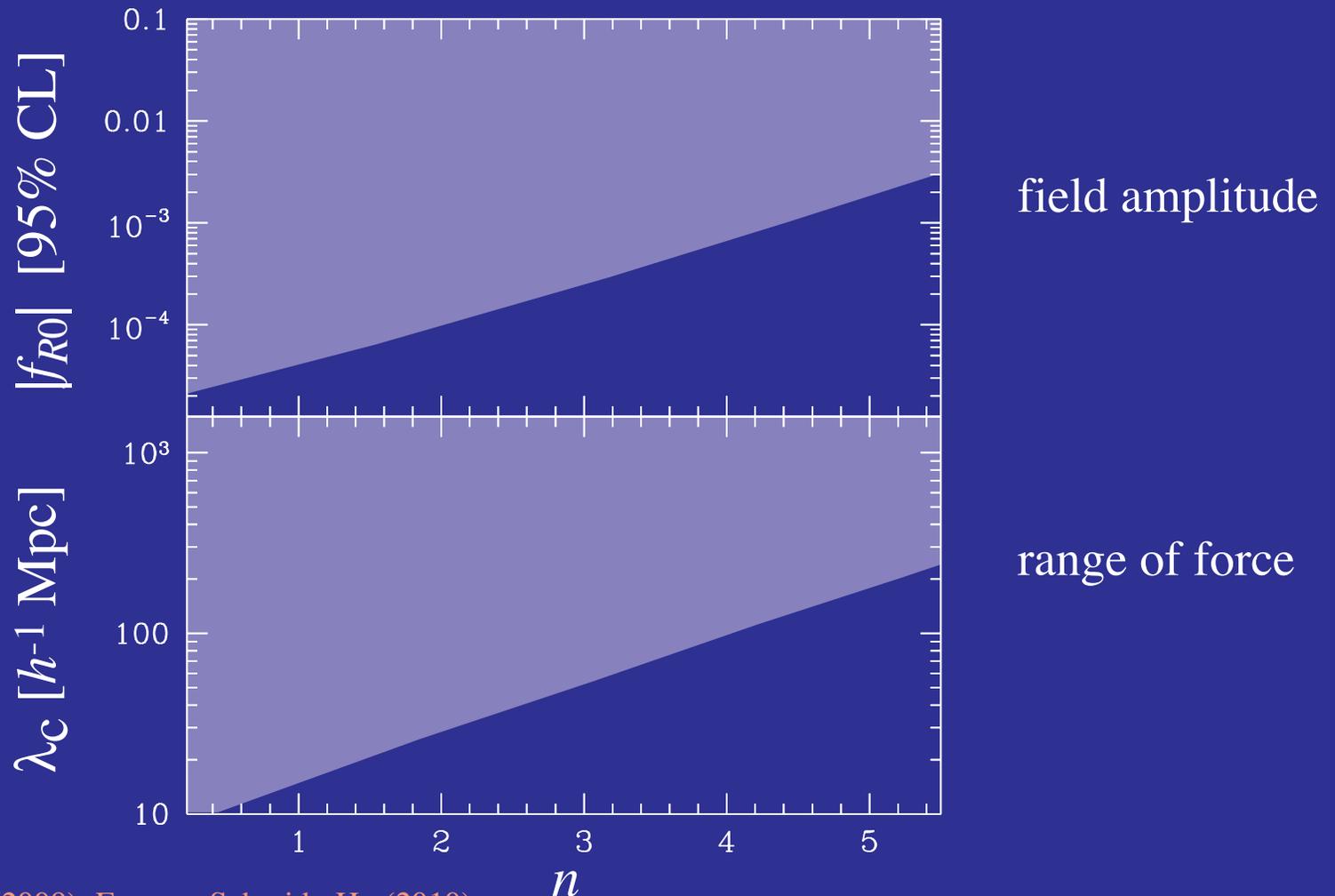
Cluster Abundance

- Enhanced **abundance** of rare dark matter halos (**clusters**) with extra force



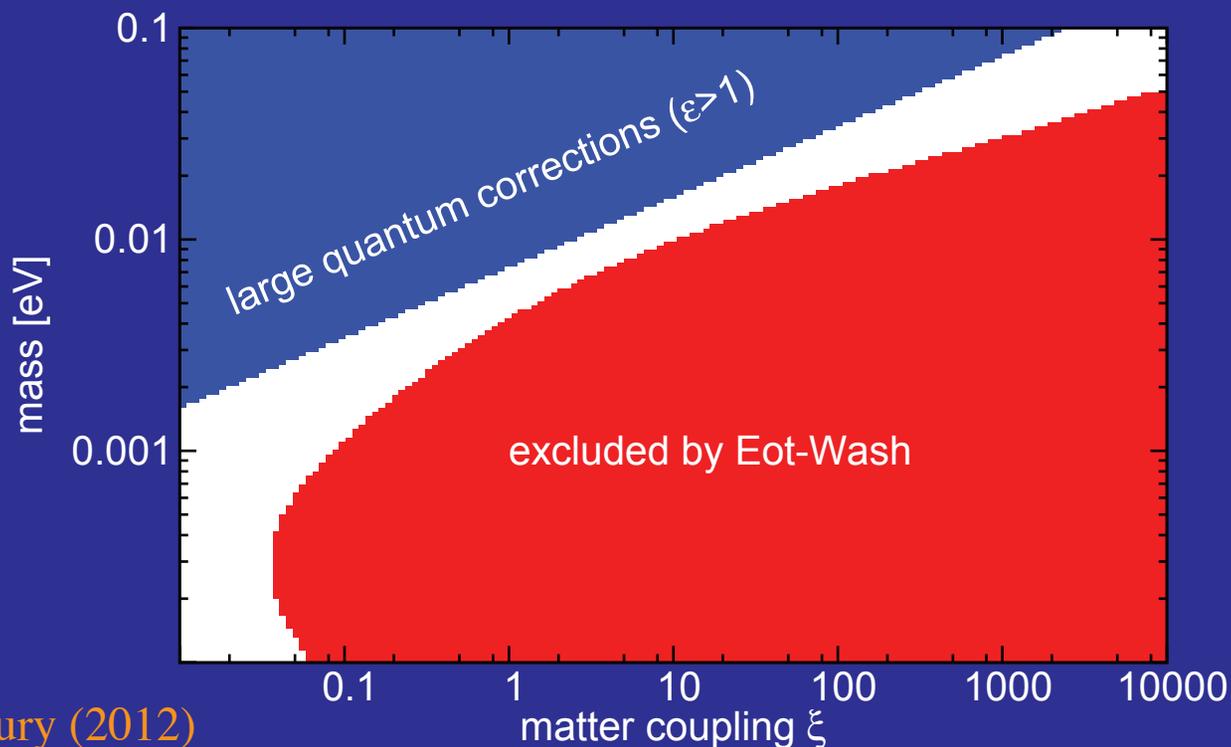
Cluster $f(R)$ Constraints

- Clusters provide best current **cosmological constraints** on $f(R)$ models
- **Spherical collapse rescaling** to place constraints on full range of inverse **power law** models of index n



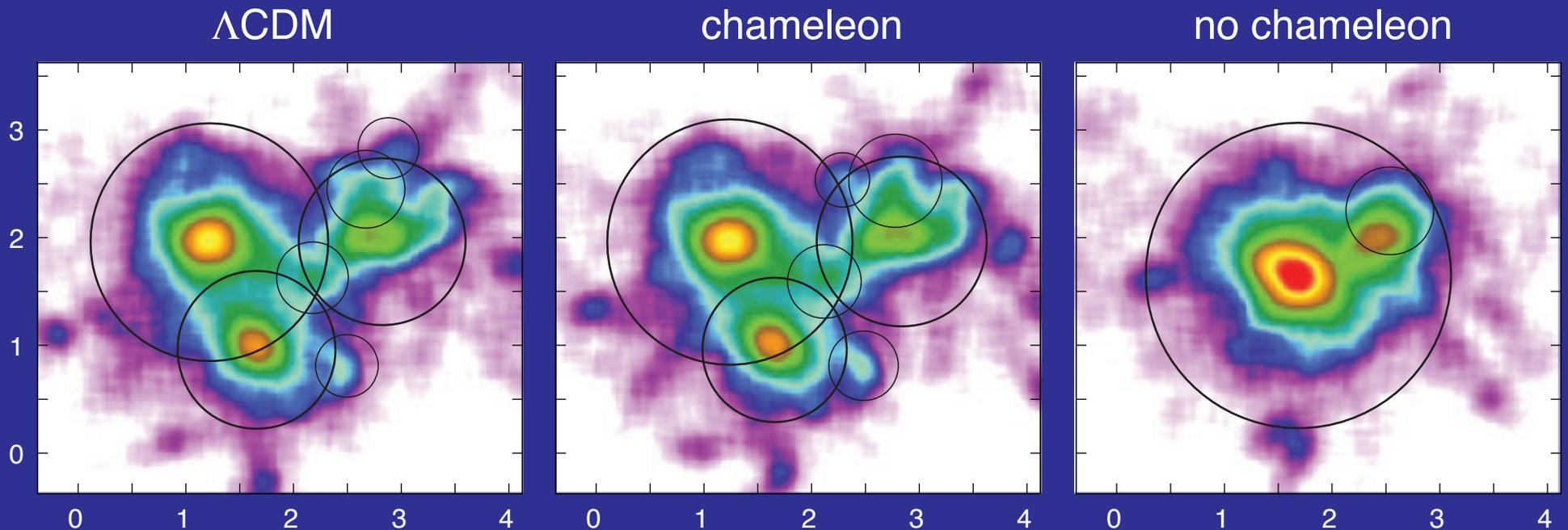
Solar System & Lab

- Strictly **valid** for solar system / lab or are beyond **effective theory**?
- If former, **solar system $f(R)$ tests** of **more powerful** by at least **10** (Hu & Sawicki 2009; exosolar tests: Jain et al., Davis et al.)
- **Laboratory tests**: within **factor of 2** of ruling out **all** gravitational strength **chameleon models** [$m < 0.0073(\xi\rho/10\text{g cm}^3)^{1/3}\text{eV}$]
Already exceeded the vacuum scale (1000km) and earth (**1cm**) of **Vainshtein models** (Nicolis & Rattazzi 2004)



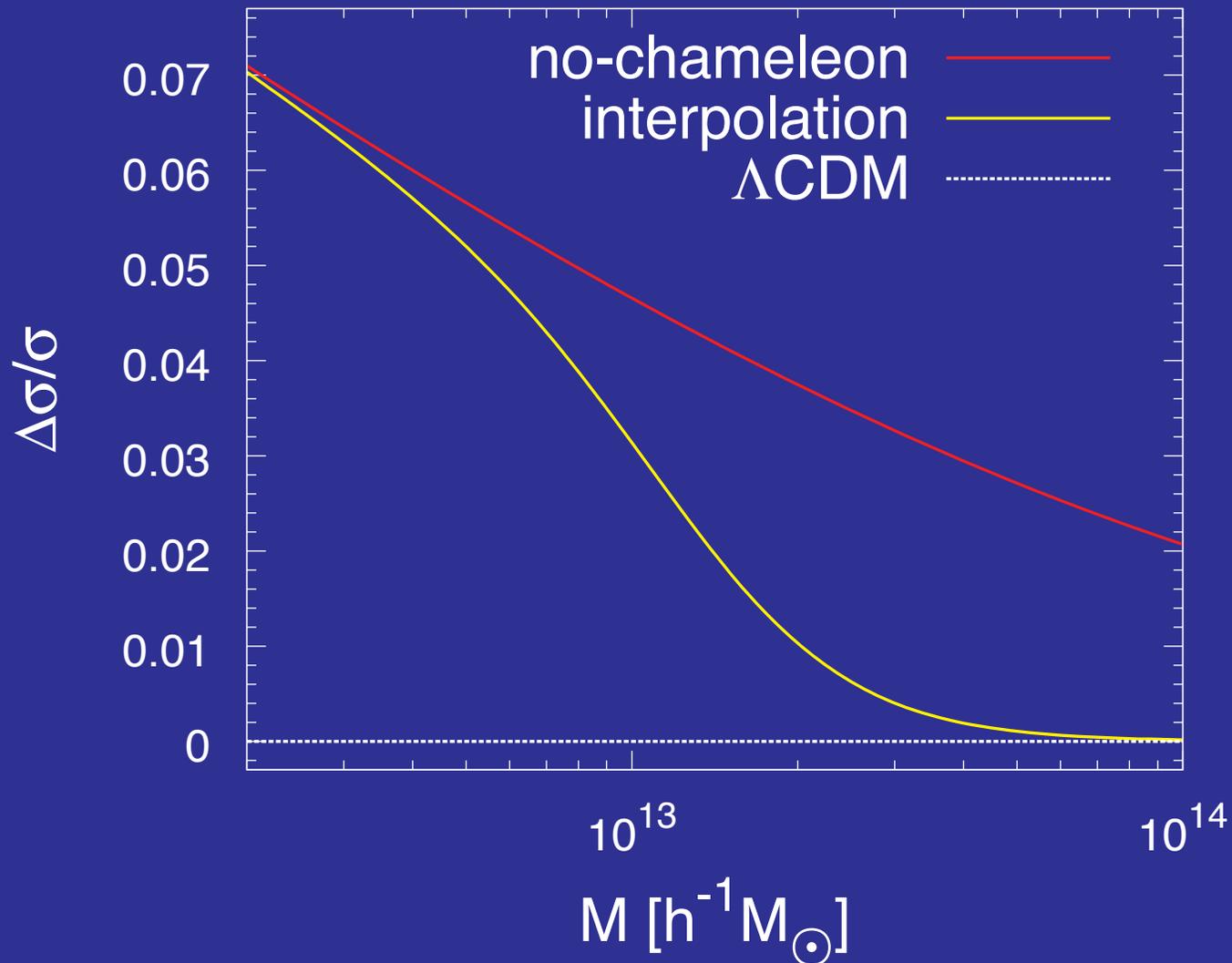
Chameleon Pile-Up

- Chameleon threshold at intermediate masses ($10^{13} h^{-1} M_{\odot}$)
- Mergers from smaller masses continues, to higher masses stops
- Pile up of halos at threshold



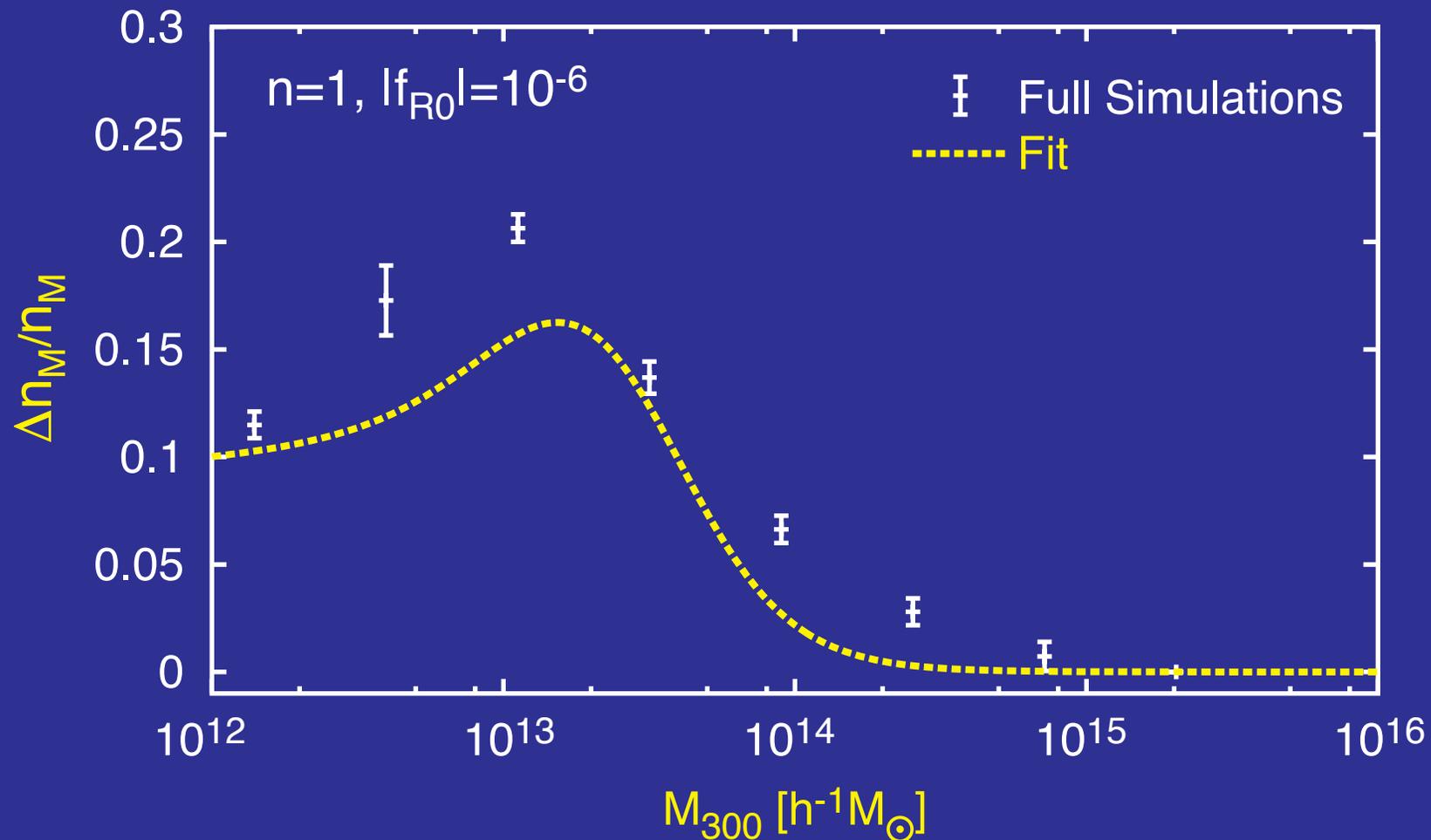
PPF Parameterization

- Interpolate between linear $f(R)$ enhanced $\sigma(M)$ and ordinary gravity



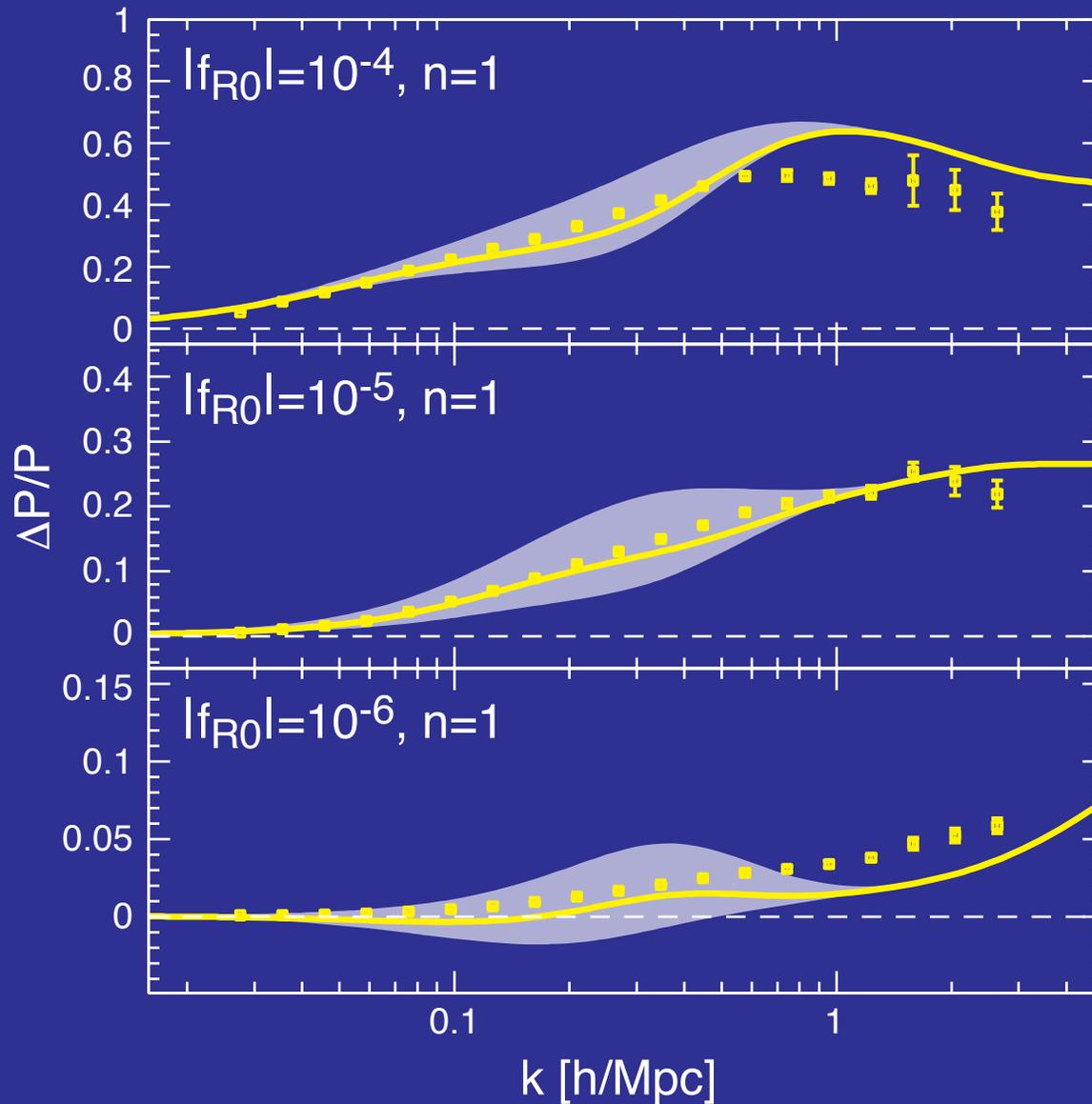
Chameleon Mass Function

- Simple **single parameter** extention covers **variety** of models
- Basis of a halo model based **post Friedmann parameterization** of chameleon



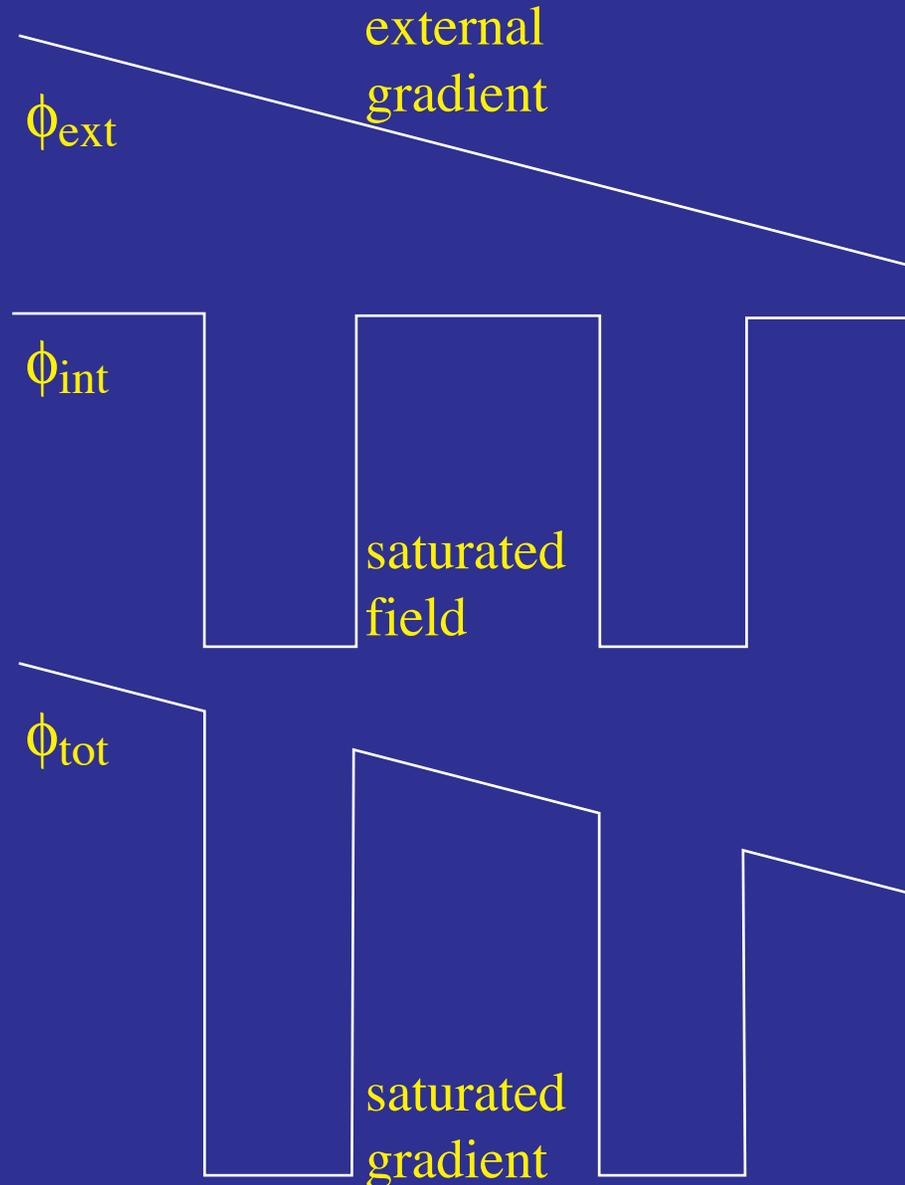
Power Spectrum

- Connect to **linear regime** with interpolation of **HaloFit**



Motion: Environment & Object

- Self-field of a “test mass” can saturate an external field (for $f(R)$ in the gradient, for DGP in the second derivatives)



Hui, Nicolis, Stubbs (2009)

Jain & Vanderplas (2011)

Zhao, Li, Koyama (2011)

DGP Braneworld Acceleration

- Braneworld acceleration (Dvali, Gabadadze & Porrati 2000)

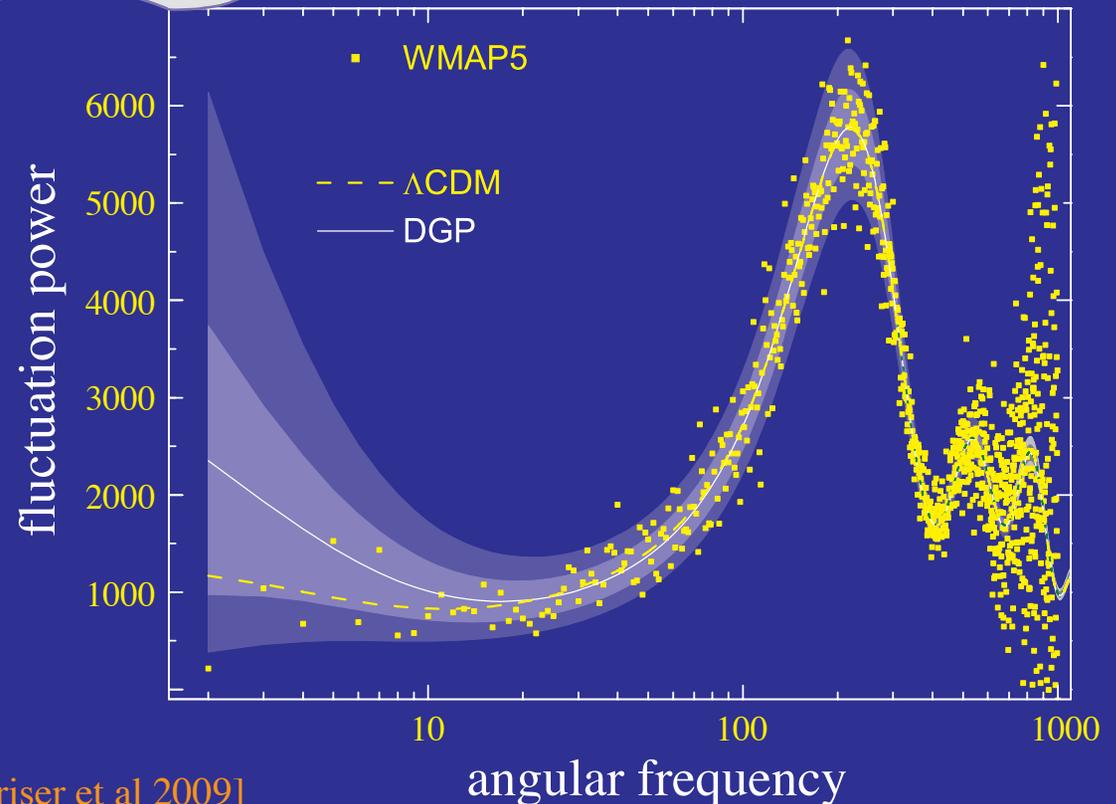
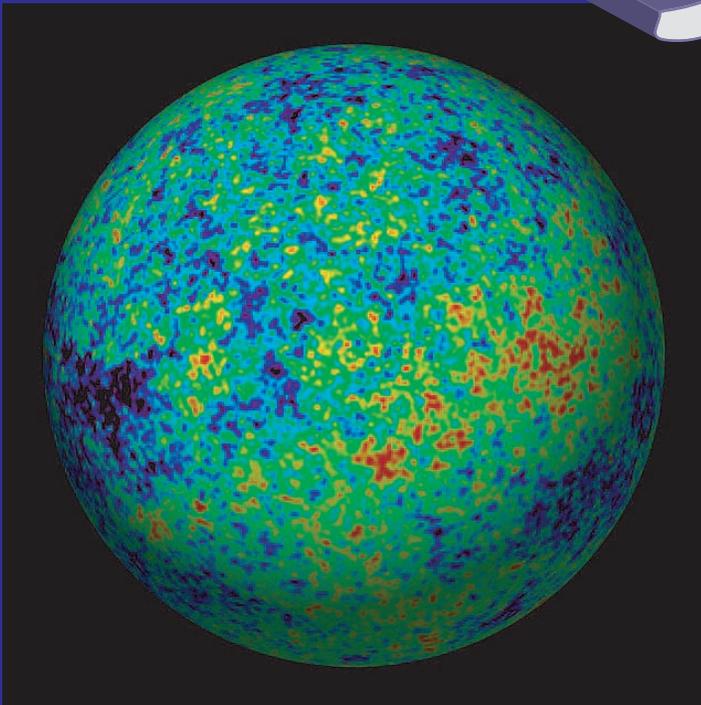
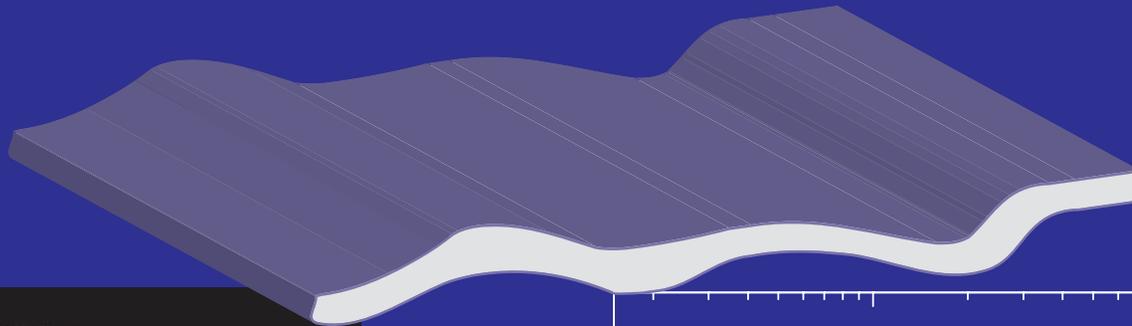
$$S = \int d^5x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{{}^{(5)}R}{2\kappa^2} + \delta(\chi) \left(\frac{{}^{(4)}R}{2\mu^2} + \mathcal{L}_m \right) \right]$$

with crossover scale $r_c = \kappa^2/2\mu^2$

- Influence of bulk through **Weyl tensor anisotropy** - solve **master equation** in bulk (Deffayet 2001)
- Matter still **minimally coupled** and conserved
- Exhibits the 3 regimes of modified gravity
- **Weyl tensor anisotropy** dominated conserved curvature regime $r > r_c$ (Sawicki, Song, Hu 2006; Cardoso et al 2007)
- **Brane bending** scalar tensor regime $r_* < r < r_c$ (Lue, Soccimarro, Starkman 2004; Koyama & Maartens 2006)
- **Strong coupling** General Relativistic regime $r < r_* = (r_c^2 r_g)^{1/3}$ where $r_g = 2GM$ (Dvali 2006)

DGP CMB Large-Angle Excess

- Extra dimension **modify gravity** on large scales
- 4D universe **bending** into **extra dimension** alters gravitational redshifts in **cosmic microwave background**



Massive Gravity

- DGP model motivated re-examination of massive gravity models
- Nonlinearly complete Fierz-Pauli action: **Vainshtein strong coupling** (restoring vDVZ continuity), no **Boulware Deser ghost**, **effective theory** out to Λ_3 Arkani-Hamed, Georgi, Schwartz (2003)
- Massive gravity action [de Rham, Gabadadze, Tolley et al, Hassan & Rosen, ... (2010-2012)]

$$S = \frac{M_p}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[R - \frac{m^2}{4} \sum_{n=0}^4 \alpha_n S_n(\sqrt{\mathbf{g}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\eta}}) \right]$$

where $\boldsymbol{\eta}$ is a fiducial (Minkowski) metric

- **Diffeomorphism invariance** can be restored by introducing **Stückelberg fields**

$$\mathbf{g}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\eta} \rightarrow g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi^a \partial_\nu \phi^b \eta_{ab}$$

which carry transformation from **unitary** to **arbitrary gauge**

Self Acceleration

- Graviton mass $\sim H_0$ provides **self-acceleration**
- Generalizing results [de Rham et al](#), [Koyama et al](#), [Mukohyama et al...](#) for any isotropic metric a **cosmological constant stress-energy** is an **exact solution** [Gratia, Hu, Wyman \(2012\)](#); [Motohashi & Suyama \(2012\)](#)

$$\rho_m = -p_m = \frac{m^2 M_p^2}{2} P_0$$

where P_0 constant given α_n

- Cosmic **acceleration** if $m \sim H_0$, remains constant for arbitrarily large radial **matter perturbations**
- Stückelberg fields are **inhomogeneous** in **isotropic coordinates**
[d'Amico et al \(2011\)](#)
- **Stress-energy** depends only on **spatial Stückelberg** fields, leaving a set of solutions that differ in ϕ_0 or the choice of **unitary time**

Self Acceleration

- Self-accelerating solution approached from arbitrary **initial conditions**? classically and quantum-mechanically **stable**?
- **Field fluctuations** again decouple with spatial Stückelberg field obeying **first order closed** equation
- **Stable to radial field perturbations** Wyman, Hu, Gratia (2012)

$$\delta p / \delta \rho = a \ddot{a} / 3 \dot{a}^2$$

e.g. de Sitter $\delta p / \delta \rho = 1/3$

- **Stückelberg dynamics** determined by unitary time: **special cases** with no dynamics, **no stress energy perturbations** Gumrukcuoglu et al
- Stability to **anisotropic perturbations** and **higher order terms** in action? Koyama et al; de Felice et al; d'Amico
- **Effective theory** to 1000km in vacuum, on earth 1cm or 1km? Burrage, Kaloper, Padilla (2012)

Nonlinear Interaction

Nonlinearity in **field equation** recovers linear theory if $N[\phi] \rightarrow 0$

$$\nabla^2 \phi = g_{\text{lin}}(a) a^2 (8\pi G \Delta \rho - N[\phi])$$

- For $f(R)$, $\phi = f_R$ and

$$N[\phi] = \delta R(\phi)$$

a nonlinear function of the field

Linked to **gravitational potential**

- For **DGP**, ϕ is the brane-bending mode and

$$N[\phi] = \frac{r_c^2}{a^4} [(\nabla^2 \phi)^2 - (\nabla_i \nabla_j \phi)^2]$$

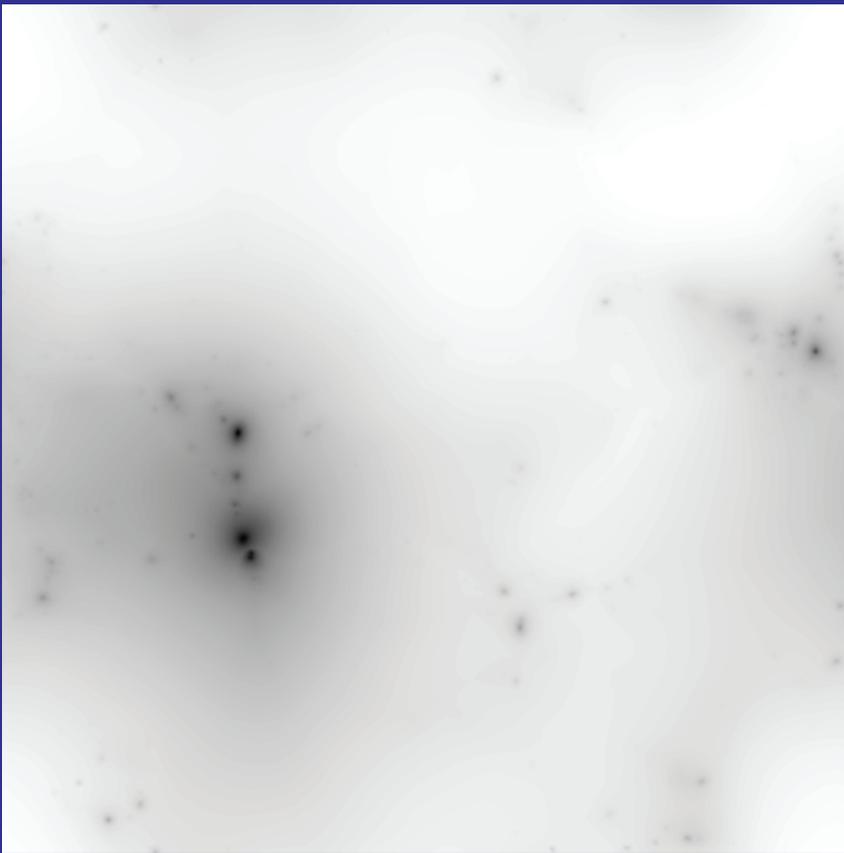
a nonlinear function of second derivatives of the field

Linked to **density fluctuation** - Galileon invariance - no self-shielding of external forces

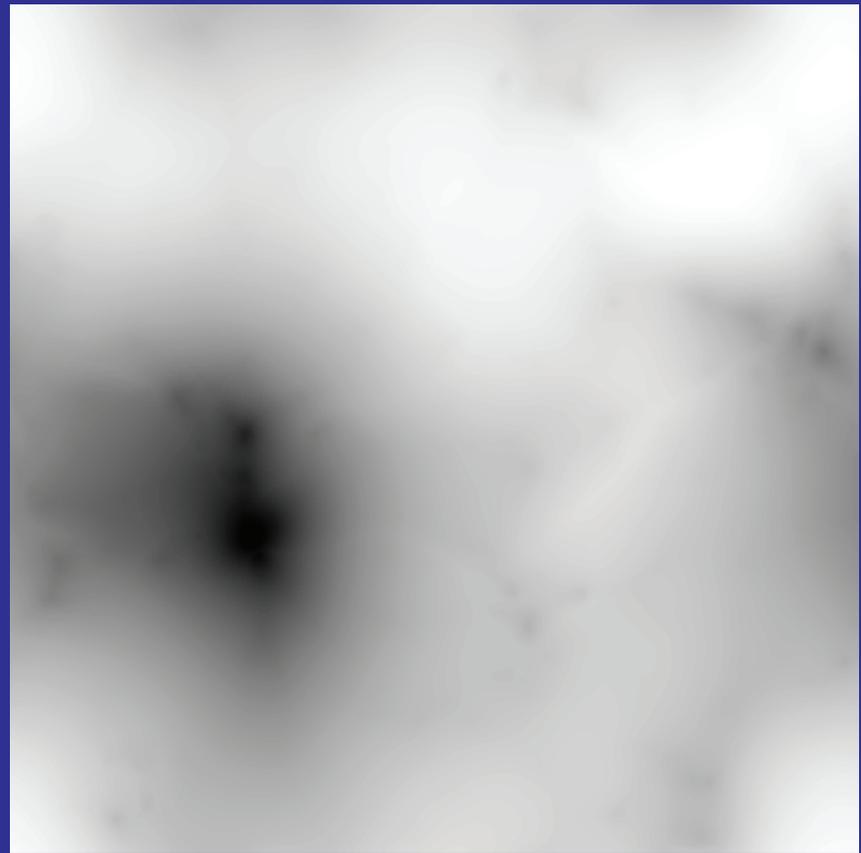
DGP N-Body

- DGP nonlinear derivative interaction solved by **relaxation** revealing the **Vainshtein mechanism**

Newtonian Potential

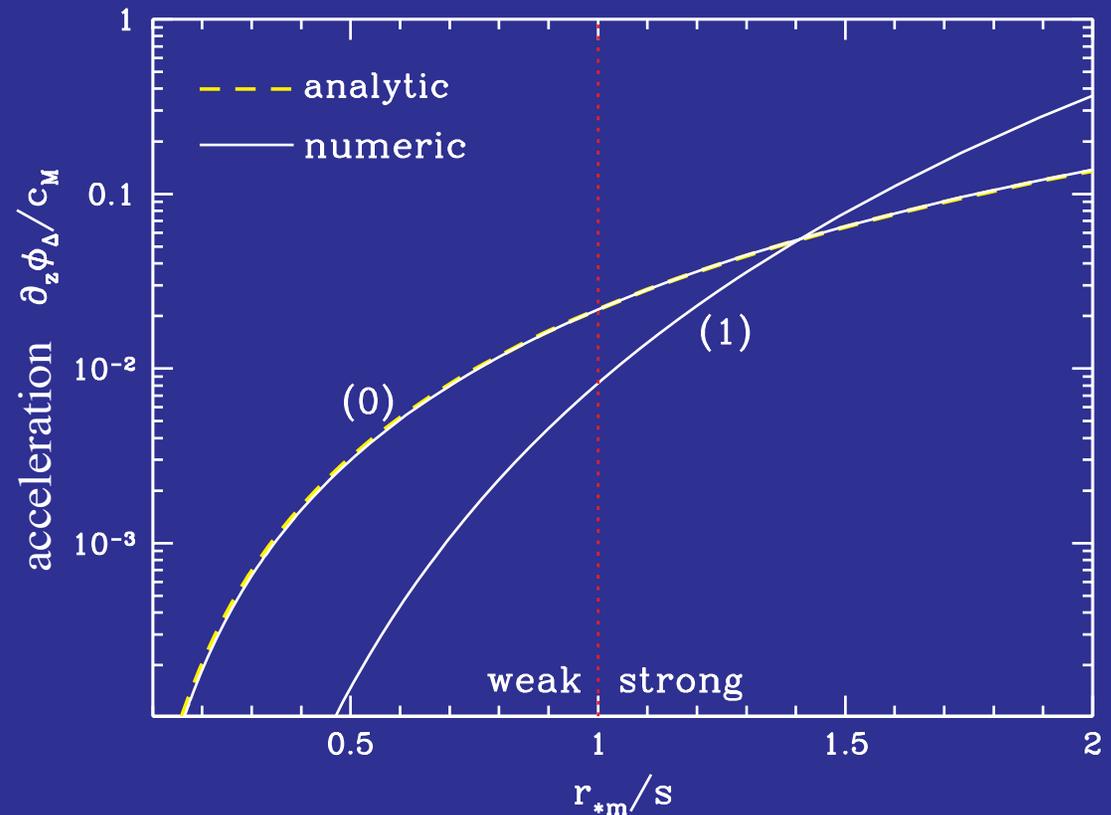
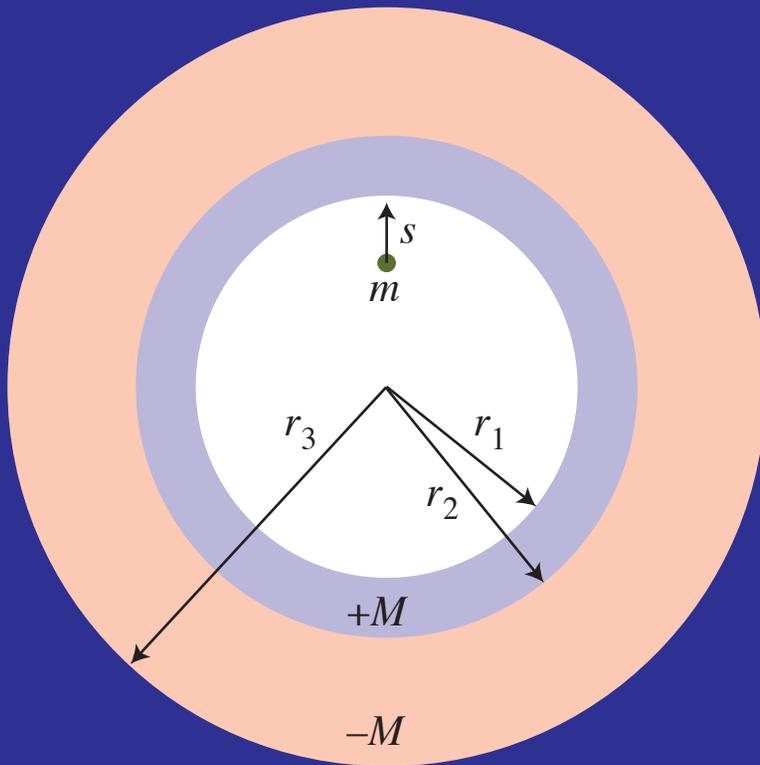


Brane Bending Mode



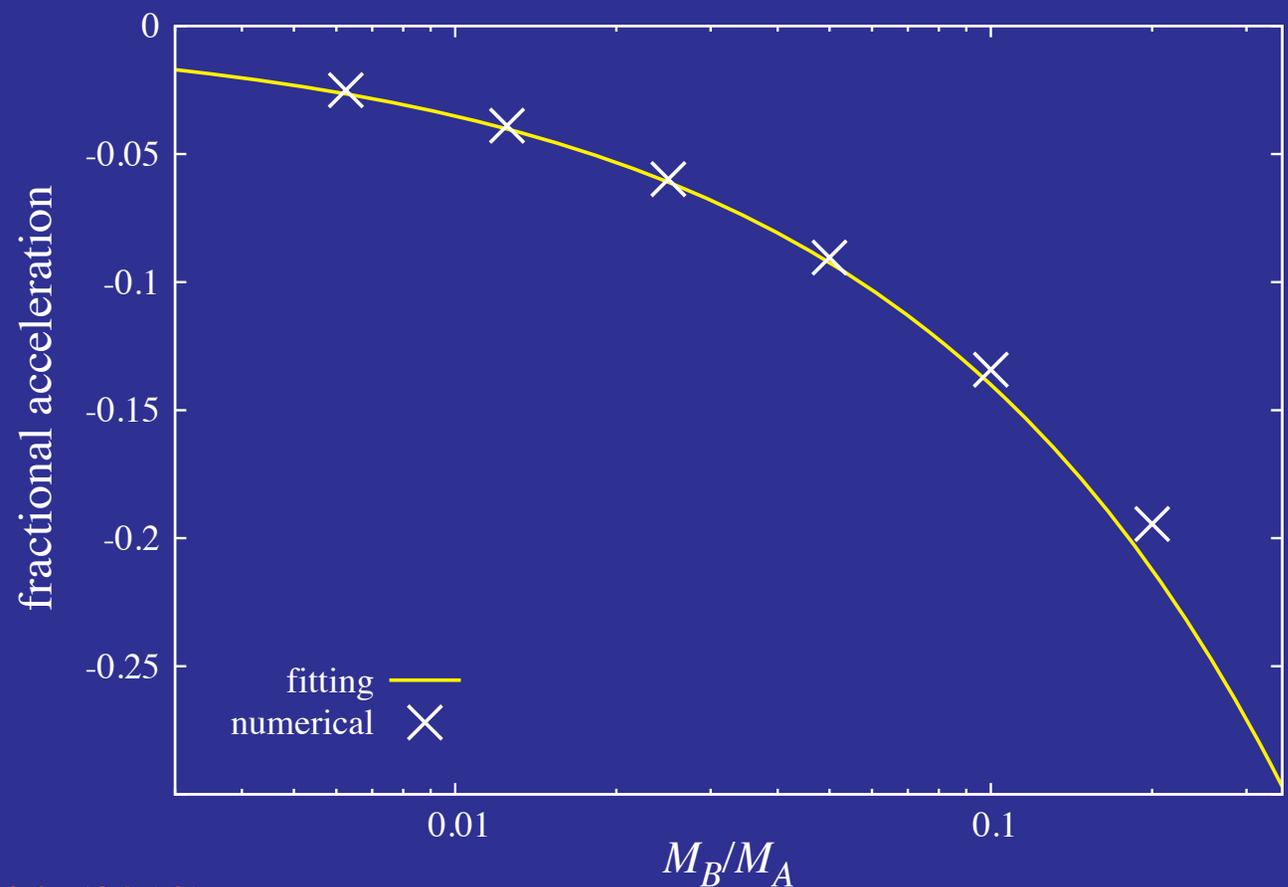
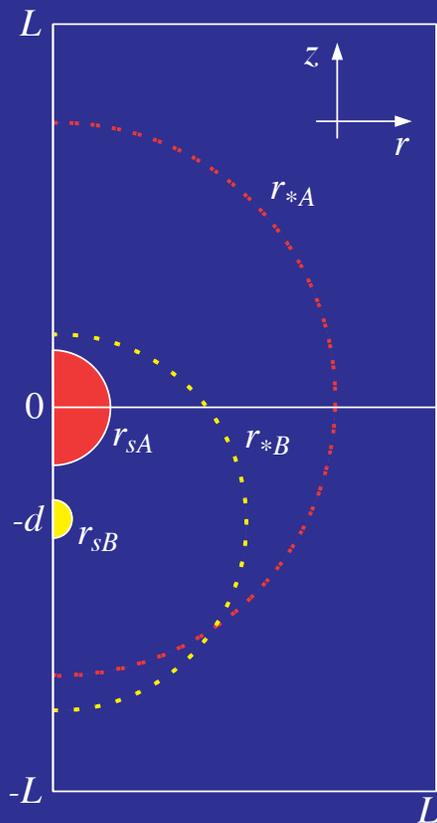
Weak Vainshtein Screening

- Screening occurs when objects are separated by a Vainshtein radius
- Vainshtein radius depends on mass $m^{1/3}$
- Halos in compensated voids experience acceleration toward the center proportional to m



Strong Vainshtein Screening

- Objects separated by much less than Vainshtein radius
- Screened acceleration also mass dependent due to nonlinearity
- Universal precession rate is not universal: corrections scale as $(M_B/M_A)^{3/5}$



Summary

- Formal equivalence between dark energy and modified gravity
 - Practical inequivalence of smooth dark energy and extra propagating scalar fifth force
 - Appears as difference between dynamical mass and lensing mass or dark energy anisotropic stress
 - Smooth dark energy (e.g. quintessence) highly falsifiable
 - Three regimes of modified gravity
 - Nonlinear screening in field equations return to ordinary gravity
 - Chameleon/symmetron: deep potential well
 - Vainshtein: high local density
- manifest in the $f(R)$ model and DGP/galileon/massive gravity
- Characteristic signatures of different screening mechanisms



