

# Questioning $\Lambda$ : where can we go?

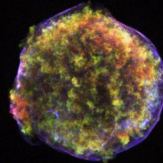
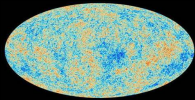
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# New Physics from Cosmology



- Cosmic microwave Background  $\delta T/T \sim 10^{-6}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Cosmic Inflation
- Large scale structure  $\Rightarrow$  Dark Matter  $\rho_{DM} \approx 5 \times \rho_{SM}$
- Acceleration  $\Rightarrow$  small  $\Lambda$   $\sim 10^{-120} G^{-1}$

Probes complementary and consistent

3 exotic ingredients  $\Rightarrow$  revise basic assumptions

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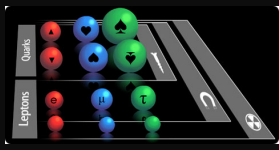
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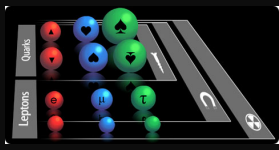
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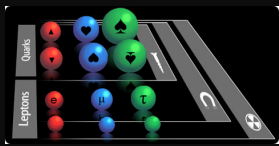
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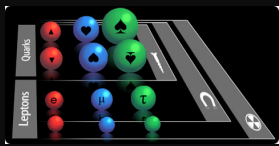
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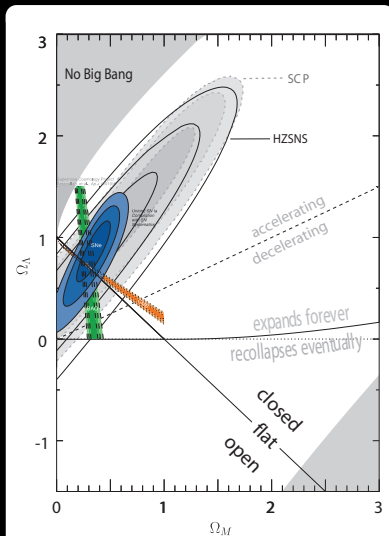
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The case for  $\Lambda$ :

- $\Omega_\Lambda \neq 0$  in flat-FRW
- $w = -1$  in flat-FRW
- $w = -1$  in curved-FRW
- ...
- $\Omega_\Lambda \neq 0$  for non-FRW?

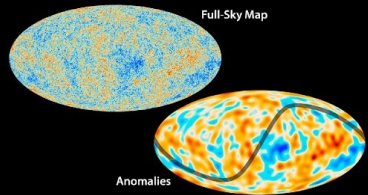


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# Post Planck Cosmology

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ESA and the Planck Collaboration

Great support for  $\Lambda$ CDM model, but

- Minor discrepancies:  $H_0 \rightarrow$  local void (Marra et al. PRL '13)
- Anomalies (i.e. statistical anisotropy) fluctuations? ⇒ include in the model

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- Observations on  $ds^2 = 0 \Rightarrow$  mix time & space variations  
time acceleration  $\rightarrow$  spatial variation
- CMB isotropy  $\Rightarrow$  Central location  $r \approx 0 \pm 10\text{Mpc}$



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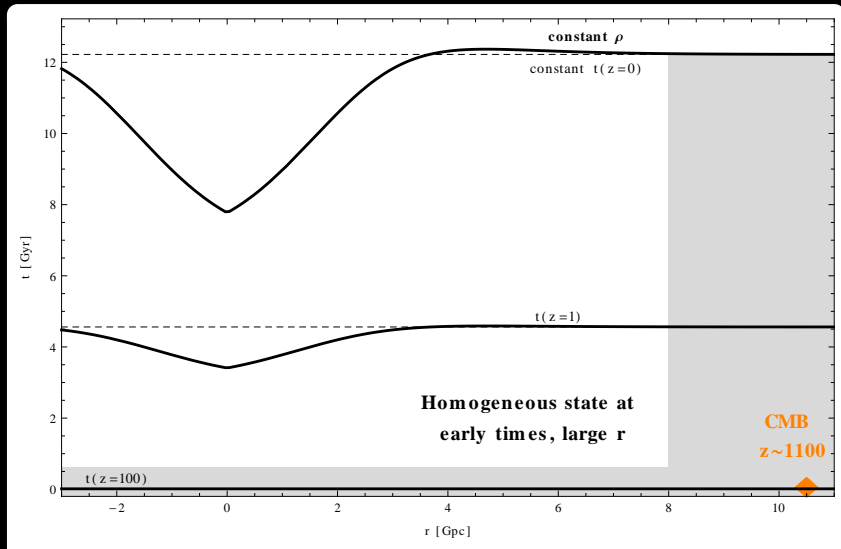
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Can't prove models right → we have to disprove alternatives  
and find observational answers

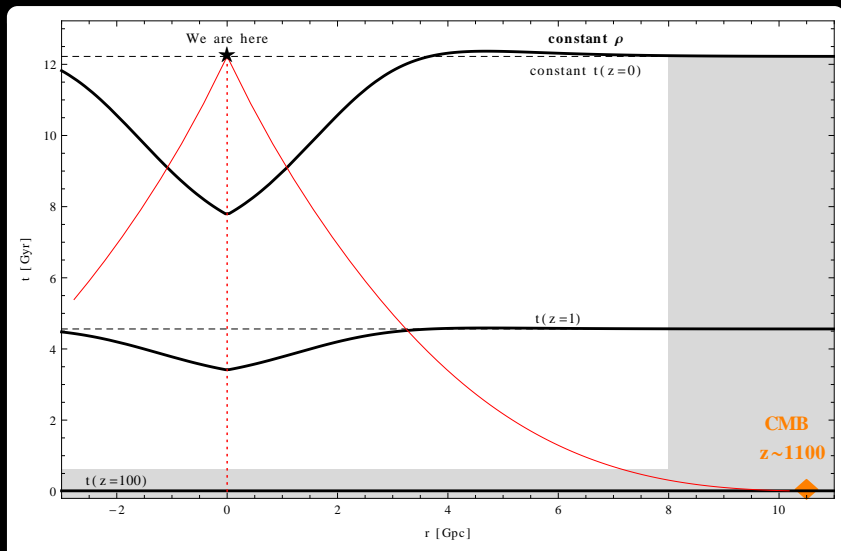
⇒ Cosmological Justice: judge models by the facts



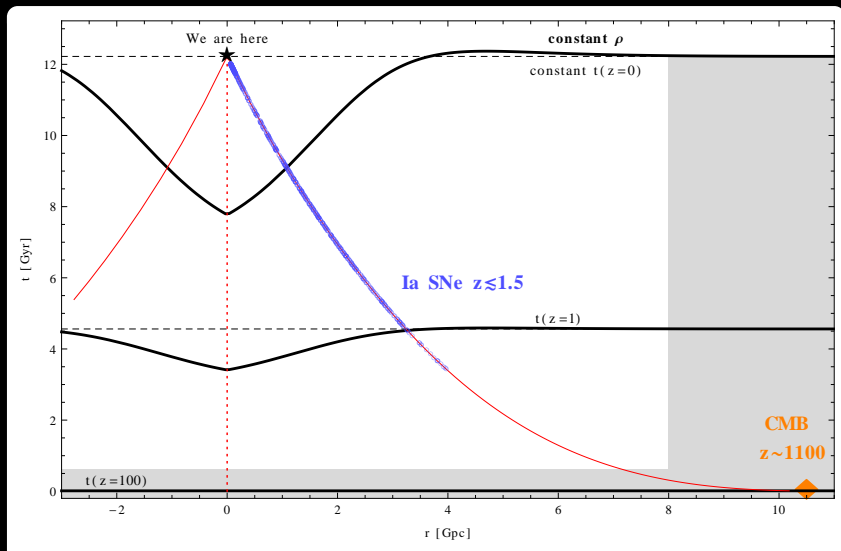
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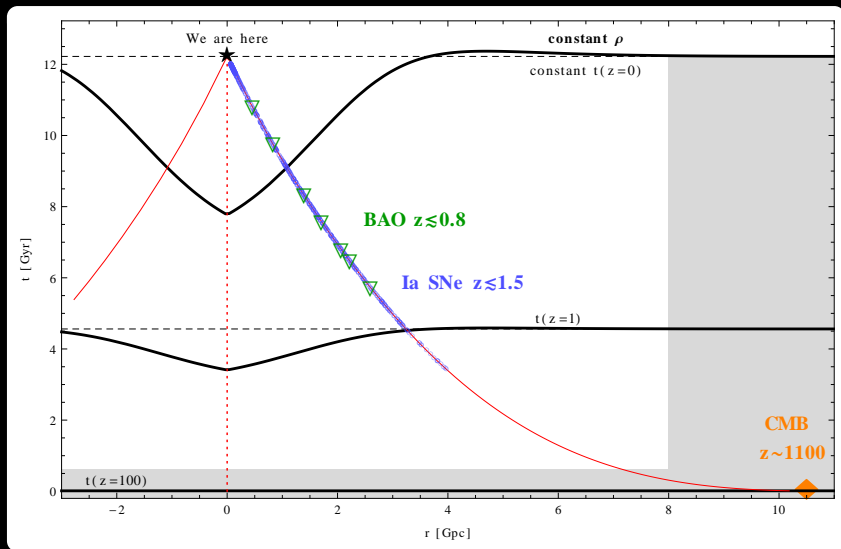
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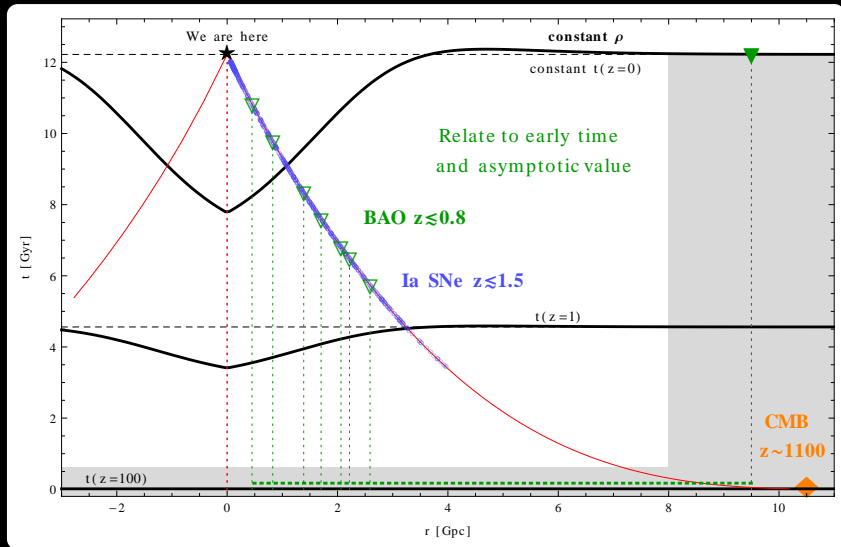
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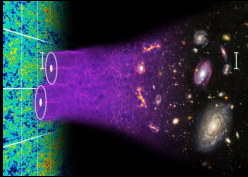
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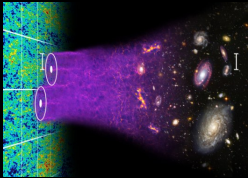


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- LTB: Do these clumps/galaxies move?  $\rightarrow$  Geodesics

$$\ddot{r} + \left[ \frac{k'}{2(1-k)} + \frac{A''}{A'} \right] \dot{r}^2 + 2 \frac{\dot{A}'}{A'} t \dot{r} = 0$$

$\dot{t} \gg \dot{r} \Rightarrow$  Constant coordinate separation (zero order)

- Supported by N-body simulations (Alonso *et al.* 1204.3532) and Linear PT (February *et al.* 1206.1602)

# Physical BAO scale

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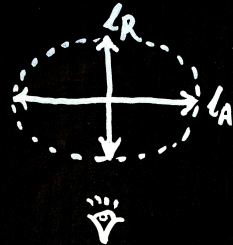
Coordinates  $\rightarrow$  distances:  $g_{rr} = \frac{A'^2(r,t)}{1-k(r)r^2}$ ,  $g_{\theta\theta} = A^2(r,t)$

## Physical BAO scales

$$l_R(r,t) = \frac{A'(r,t)}{A'(r,t_e)} l_{\text{early}}$$

$$l_A(r,t) = \frac{A(r,t)}{A(r,t_e)} l_{\text{early}}$$

$l_{\text{early}}$  = early physical BAO scale at  $t_e$



★ LTB: evolving ( $t$ ), inhomogeneous ( $r$ ) and anisotropic  $l_A \neq l_R$



# Observed BAO scale

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★ Geometric mean  $d \equiv (\delta\theta^2 \delta z)^{1/3}$

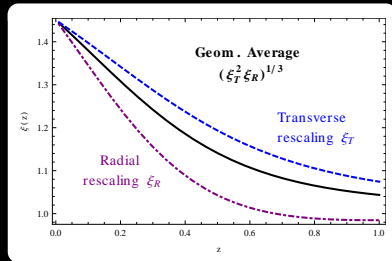
$$\delta\theta = \frac{l_A(z)}{D_A(z)}, \quad \delta z = (1+z)H_R(z)l_R(z)$$

Compare with FRW:

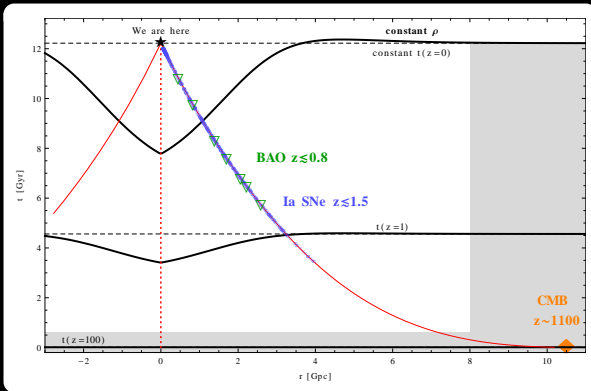
$$d_{\text{LTB}}(z) \approx \xi(z) d_{\text{FRW}}(z)$$

Rescaling:  $\xi(z) = (\xi_A^2 \xi_R)^{1/3}$

$\rightarrow$  Inhomogeneous, anisotropic



# Data and models



- GBH model (6 param)
- WiggleZ + SDSS + 6dF
- Union 2 Compilation
- $H_0 \rightarrow$  luminosity prior
- CMB peaks information (simplified analysis)

# GBH + Homogeneous BB + asymptotically flat

## Uncalibrated candles & rulers:

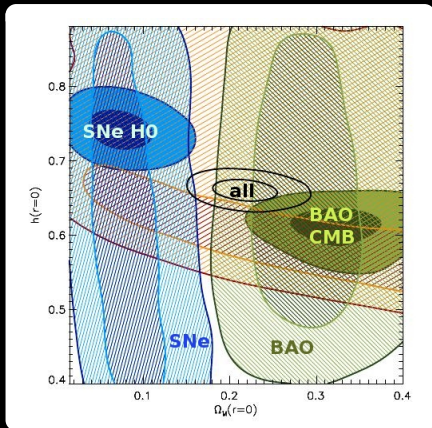
- **SNe**  $\rightarrow \Omega_{\text{in}} \approx 0.1$
- **BAO**  $\rightarrow \Omega_{\text{in}} \approx 0.3$
- ★  $\Omega_M(0)$   $3\sigma$  discrepant!

## Adding calibration:

- **SNe+H0**  $\rightarrow h_{\text{in}} \approx 0.74$
- **BAO+CMB**  $\rightarrow h_{\text{in}} \approx 0.62$

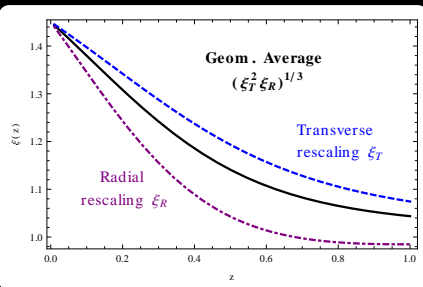
worse using full CMB!

Asymptotically open  $\rightarrow$  not any better



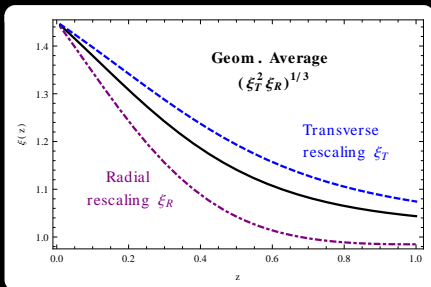
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Other problems of LTB models with  $\Lambda = 0$ :

- $H_0$ : CMB vs Local - Moss et al '10
- kSZ bounds - Zhang & Stebbins '10
- Standard clocks - De Putter et al '12

Geometrical result, whatever Luminosity & BAO scale  
 $\Rightarrow$  Standard Rulers vs Standard Candles

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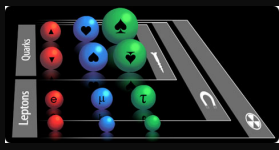
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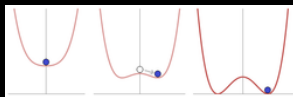


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## Why alternative gravities?

- Inflation again?
- Einstein's gravity not final: QG surprises at low energy?
- Classical  $\Lambda$  tuning: EW phase transition



- Test gravity on cosmological scales

Focus:

- Most general theory?
- Compatible with Local Gravity tests?

Other: Acceleration, make  $\Lambda$  small, cosmological signatures ...

What is the most general theory of gravity?  
(that deserves our attention)



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### loophole for Degenerate Theories:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> order equations
- Implicit constraints / reduced phase space

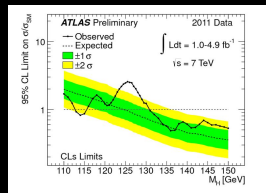
## Lovelock's Theorem (1971)

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$$\sqrt{-g} \frac{1}{16\pi G} (R - 2\Lambda) + \sqrt{-g} \mathcal{L}_m(g_{\mu\nu}, \psi_M)$$

Add a scalar field  $\phi$ :

- simple, isotropic
- seem to exist  $\longrightarrow$
- arise in other theories  
(e.g. extra dimensions)



## Jordan-Brans-Dicke

$$R \rightarrow \phi R$$

Modify Einstein-Hilbert action

## Bekenstein

$$g_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow \phi g_{\mu\nu}$$

Modify the metric in  $\mathcal{L}_m$

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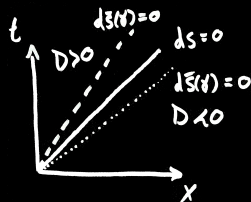
## Disformal Relation - Bekenstein (PRD 1992)

Matter sector  $\sqrt{-\tilde{g}}\mathcal{L}_m(\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}, \dots)$  with

$$\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = \underbrace{C(X, \phi)g_{\mu\nu}}_{\text{conformal}} + \underbrace{D(X, \phi)\phi_{,\mu}\phi_{,\nu}}_{\text{disformal}}$$

$\Rightarrow$  2<sup>nd</sup> order eqs.

$$X = -\frac{1}{2}(\partial\phi)^2$$



$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathcal{L}_H & \xrightarrow{C, X, D, X=0} & \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_H \\ & \searrow^{C, X, D, X \neq 0} & \\ & & \cancel{\mathcal{L}_H} \end{array}$$

$C, X, D, X \neq 0 \rightarrow$  non-Horndeski!

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Take trace with  $g^{\mu\nu}$ :  $2\Omega(g_{\mu\nu}\Box\Omega - \Omega_{;\mu\nu}) + \Omega^2 G_{\mu\nu}$   
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Trace of metric eqs  $\rightarrow$  solves high derivs!

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Scalar Field eqs:

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Metric eqs:

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✓ No higher time derivatives in Jordan frame

How to satisfy local gravity tests?

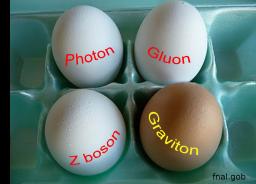
## Scalar-tensor theories

⇒ scalar mediated force

★ Point Particle, coupled to  $\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}[\phi]$ :

$$\ddot{x}^\alpha = - \left( \Gamma_{\mu\nu}^\alpha + \underbrace{\mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^\alpha}_{\gamma^{\alpha\lambda} \left( \nabla_{(\mu} \gamma_{\nu)\lambda} - \frac{1}{2} \nabla_\lambda \gamma_{\mu\nu} \right)} \right) \dot{x}^\mu \dot{x}^\nu$$

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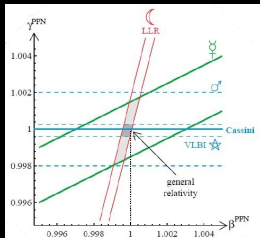


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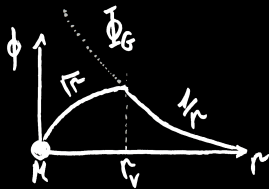
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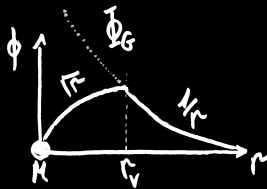
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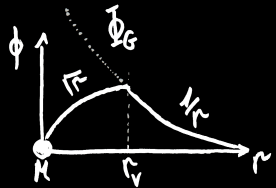
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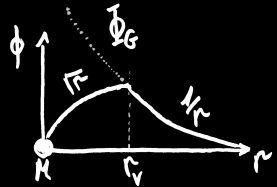
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Signatures: fast matter, pressure, strong gravity, cosmic gradients

## Kinetic Screening mechanisms:

★ Vainshtein screening:

$$\text{within } r_V \propto (GM/m^2)^{1/3}$$



★ Disformal coupling + canonical field

$$\square\phi + \frac{-Q_{\mu\nu}\delta T_m^{\mu\nu}}{C + D(\phi_{,r})^2} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{cases} \text{asymptotic } \phi = \frac{S}{r} \\ \text{breaks down at } \tilde{r}_V = \left(\frac{DS^2}{C}\right)^{1/4} \end{cases}$$

Different screening mechanisms - MZ, Koivisto, Mota - PRD 2013

★  $D > 0 \Rightarrow$  stable disformal screening, complex  $r_V$

★  $D < 0 \Rightarrow$  Positive  $r_V$ , but unstable (if canonical)

## Scalar-tensor Generations



Jordan-Brans-Dicke → Horndeski → Implicit Constraints

# The Standard Cosmological Model

Initial Conditions

Inflation

Structure formation

Dark Matter

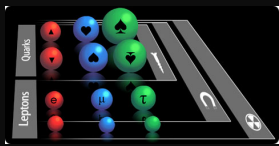
Acceleration

$\Lambda$

Metric Ansatz

$$-dt^2 + a(t)^2 d\vec{x}^2$$

Standard Matter



Theory of Gravity

$$\sqrt{-g} \frac{R}{16\pi G}$$

# Conclusions

- Model independence & cosmological justice
- Spherically symmetric models without  $\Lambda$  don't work (perhaps if very involved)

Scalar-tensor gravity as alternative to  $\Lambda$ :

- can mimic Einstein's locally through screening  
Vainshtein & disformal: related but different
- and have cosmological effects
- Ostrogradski's theorem  $\rightarrow$  understand all the alternatives
- 3 theoretical generations

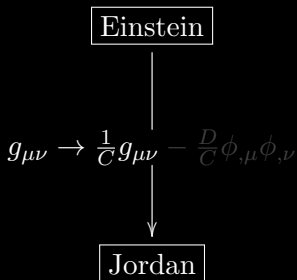


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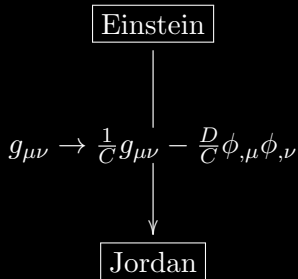


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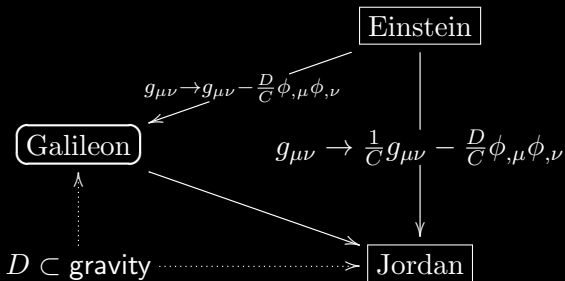
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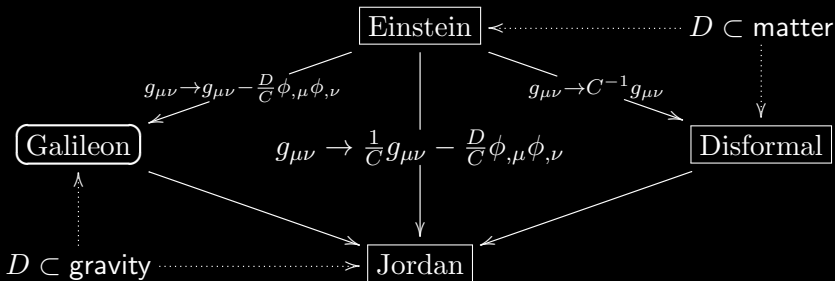


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Disformal screening - assumptions:

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- Neglect  $\frac{p}{\rho}$ ,  $\frac{p}{\rho} \left( \frac{\vec{\partial}\phi}{\partial_t\phi} \right)^2$ ,  $\frac{\mathcal{X}}{D\rho}$ ,  $\frac{\mathcal{X}}{D\rho} V' / \ddot{\phi}$ ,  $\Gamma_{00}^\mu \phi_{,\mu} / \ddot{\phi} \sim 0$

Potential Signatures:

- **Matter velocity flows:**  $T^{0i} \sim v/c \rightarrow$  Binary pulsars?
- **Pressure:** effects on radiation
- **Strong gravitational fields:**  $\Gamma_{00}^\mu \phi_{,\mu} \rightarrow$  Compact objects?
- **Frozen cosmic gradients:** Evolution independent of  $\partial_i \phi$

## Properties of the Field Equation

Canonical scalar field  $\mathcal{L}_\phi = X - V$ , solve for  $\nabla\nabla\phi$

$$\mathcal{M}^{\mu\nu}\nabla_\mu\nabla_\nu\phi + \frac{C}{C-2DX}Q_{\mu\nu}T_m^{\mu\nu} - V = 0$$

$$\mathcal{M}^{\mu\nu} \equiv g^{\mu\nu} - \frac{DT_m^{\mu\nu}}{C-2DX}, \quad Q_{\mu\nu} \equiv \frac{C'}{2C}g_{\mu\nu} + \left(\frac{C'D}{C^2} - \frac{D'}{2C}\right)\phi_{,\mu}\phi_{,\nu}$$

Coupling to (Einstein F) perfect fluid  $T^\mu{}_\nu = \text{diag}(\rho, p, p, p)$

- $\mathcal{M}^0_0 = 1 + \frac{D\rho}{C-2DX}$ ,  $D, \rho > 0 \Rightarrow$  no ghosts
- $\mathcal{M}^i_i = 1 - \frac{Dp}{C-2DX}$ ,  $\Rightarrow$  potential instability if  $p > C/D - X$ 
  - Does it occur dynamically?
  - Consider non-relativistic coupled species  $\mathcal{M}^i_i > 0$