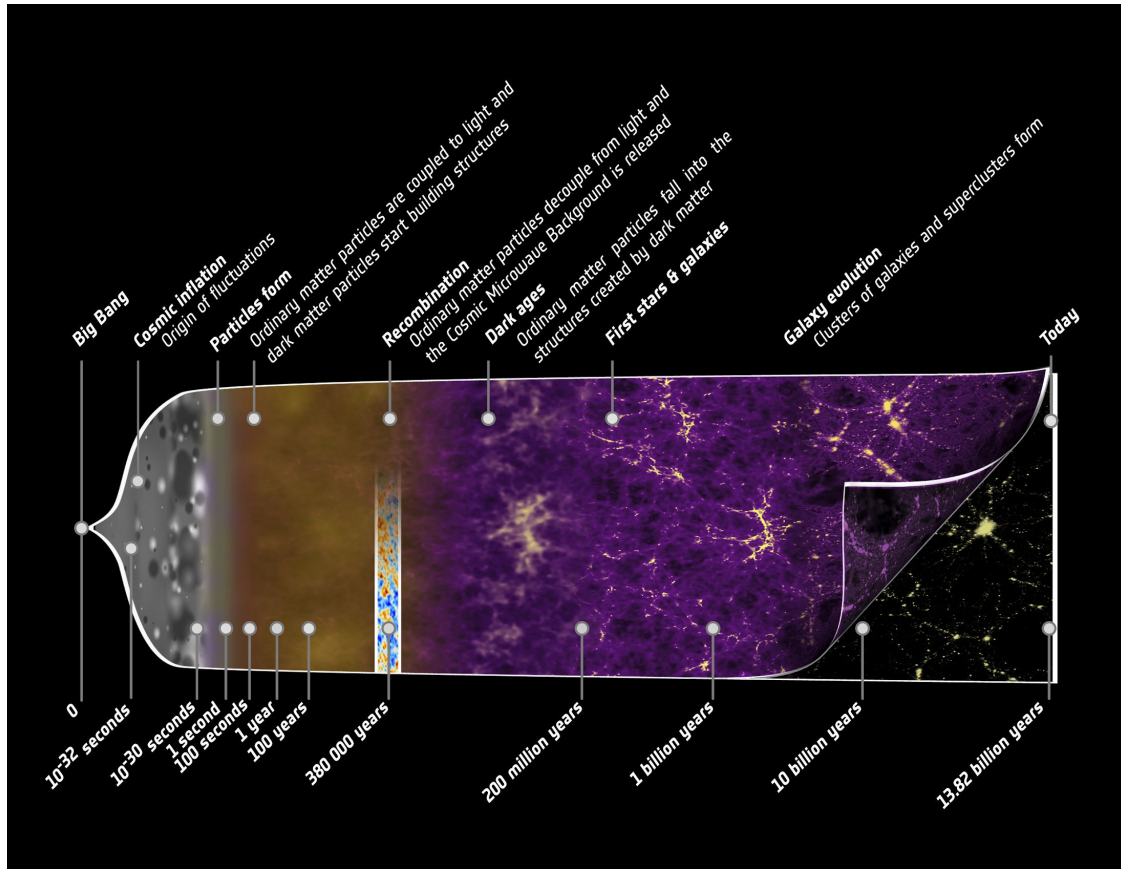




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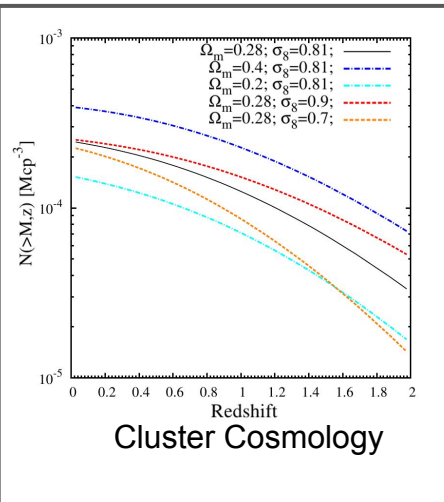
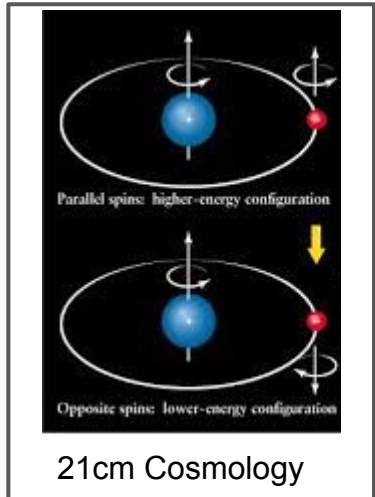
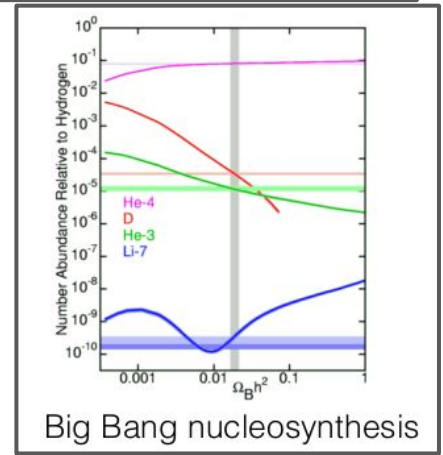
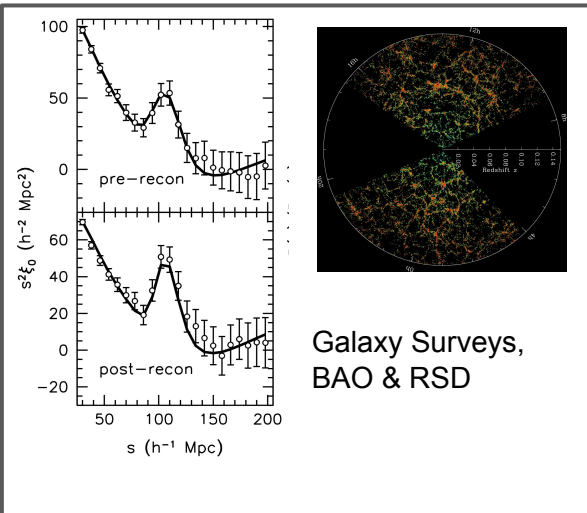
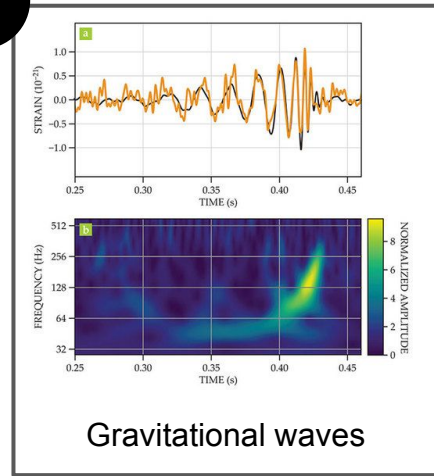
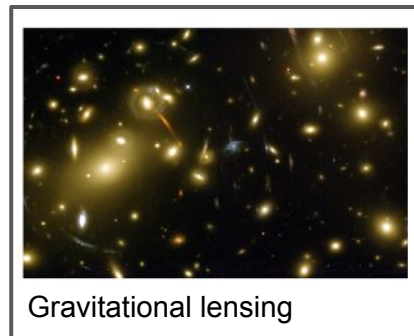
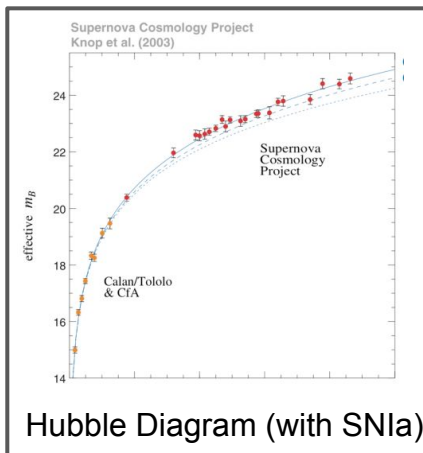
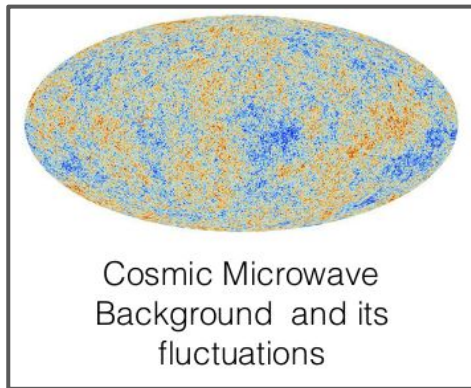
# GENERAL FRAMEWORK: $\Lambda$ CDM MODEL



## ASSUMPTION OF $\Lambda$ CDM:

- Gravity is described by GR
- Particles and forces are described by QFT
- The cosmological principle is valid
- The Universe underwent accelerated expansion at early times (Inflation)
- Most matter is made up by a collisionless particle (Dark Matter)
- The Universe is undergoing an accelerated expansion ( $\Lambda$ )

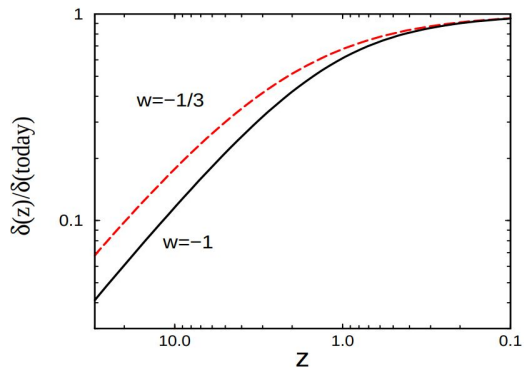
# GENERAL FRAMEWORK: COSMOLOGICAL PROBES



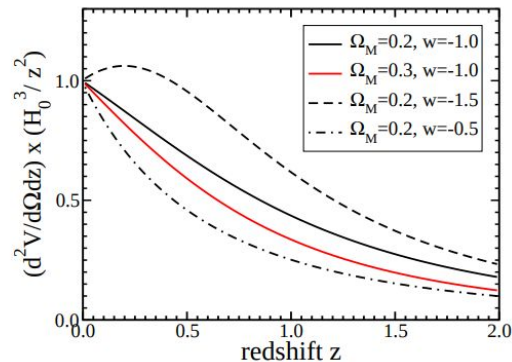
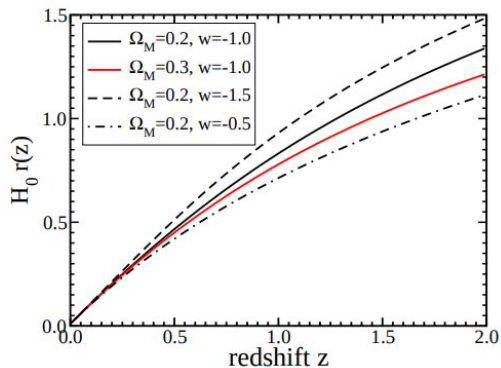
# GENERAL FRAMEWORK

- What can we measure with cosmological probes:

## Growth of density perturbation

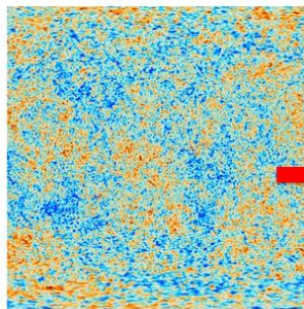


## Expansion history



Freiman+08

A good strategy is to combine early (i.e. CMB) and late time Universe probes to maximize the redshift leverage



Structure at 380,000 years –  $10^{-5}$  of CMB



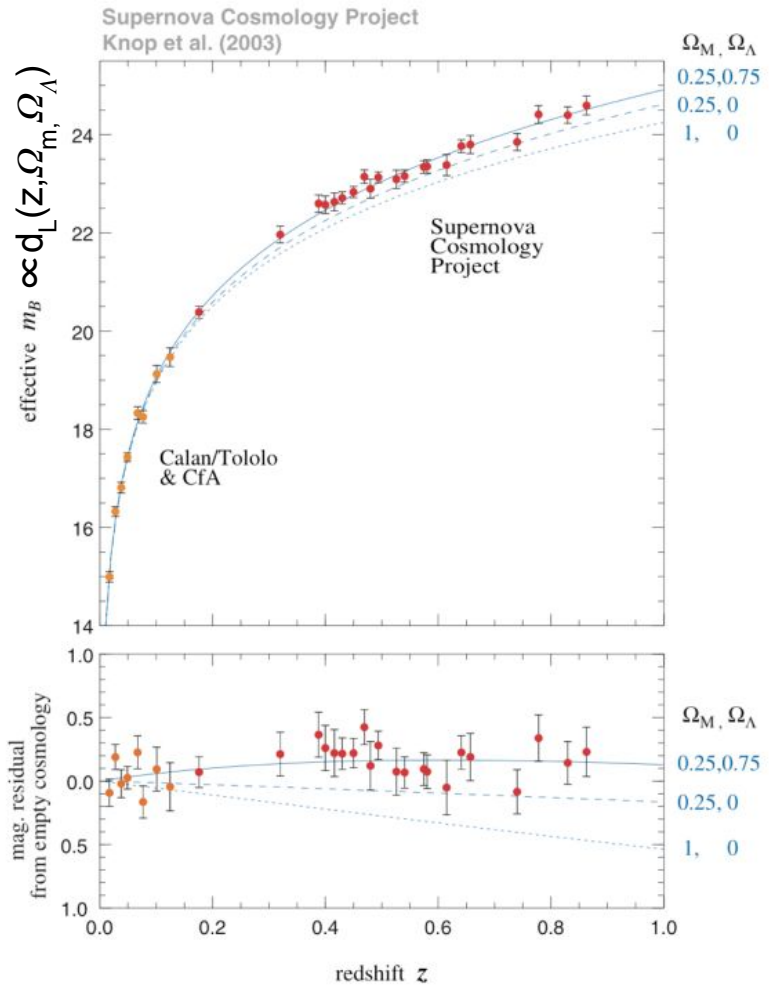
Structure at 13.8 billion years – density contrasts  $> 10^3$

# STANDARD CANDLES (SNIa)

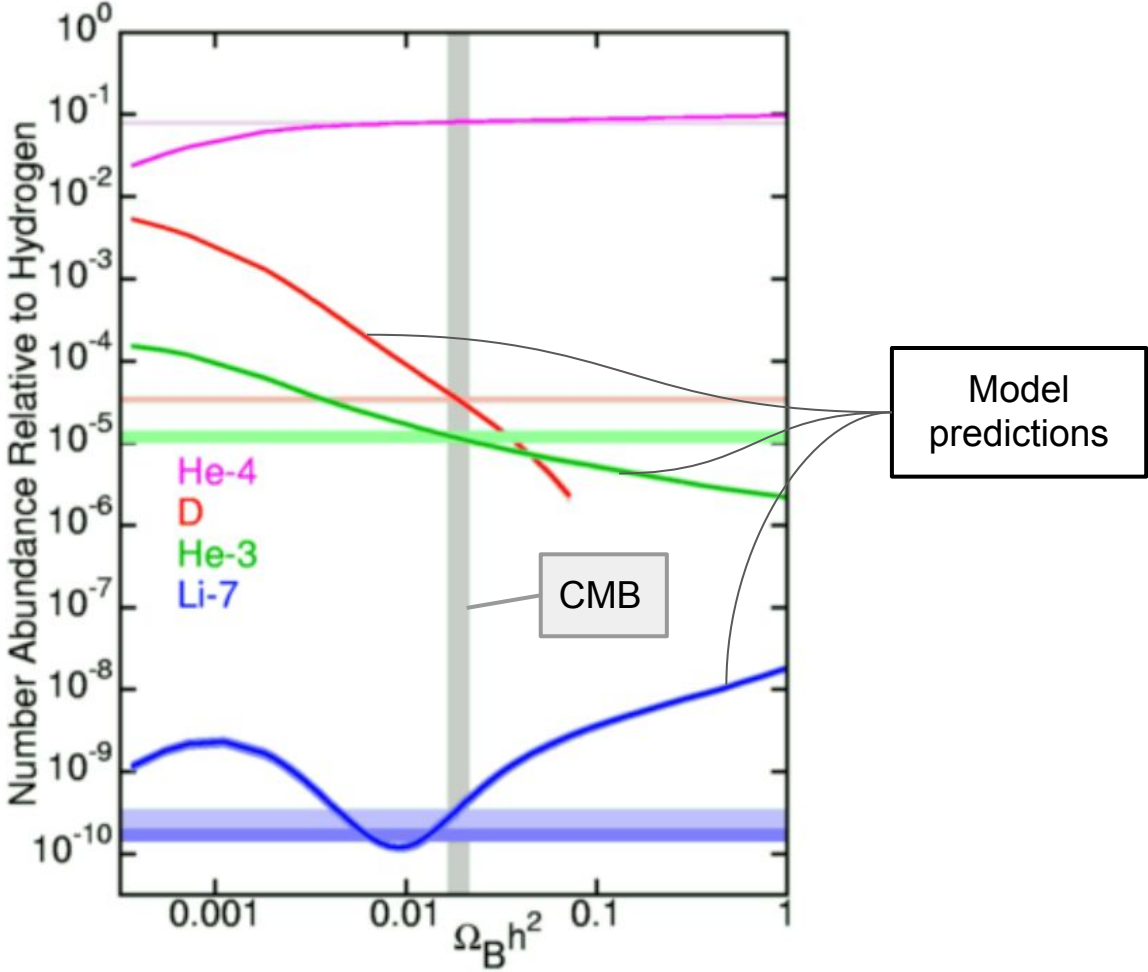
Hubble diagram  
(with distant SNe)

$$m_1 - m_2 = 2.5 \log_{10} (f_2/f_1)$$

$$m - M = 5 \log_{10} (d_L / 10\text{pc})$$

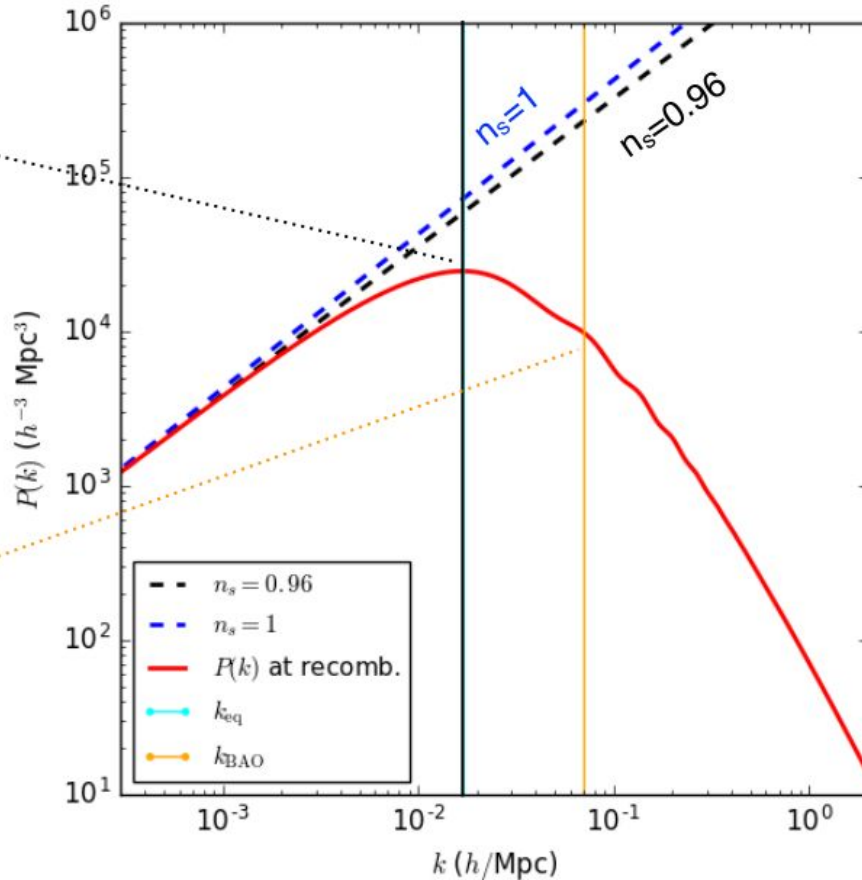


# Big Bang Nucleosynthesis



# The perturbed Universe

$2\pi/\text{comoving}$   
Hubble horizon  
size at  
equivalence



first Baryonic  
Acoustic  
Oscillation

## Overdensity field

$$\delta(x) = \frac{\rho(x) - \bar{\rho}}{\bar{\rho}}$$

## 2 pt. Correlation Function

$$\xi(r) = \langle \delta(x)\delta(x+r) \rangle$$

$$\mathcal{F} \downarrow \uparrow \mathcal{F}^{-1}$$

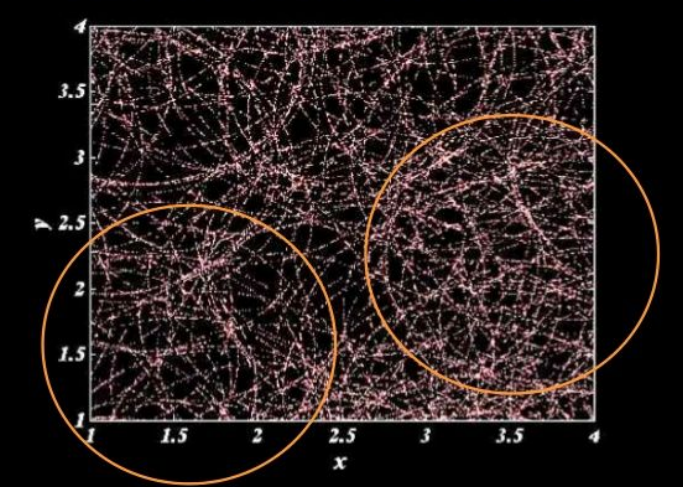
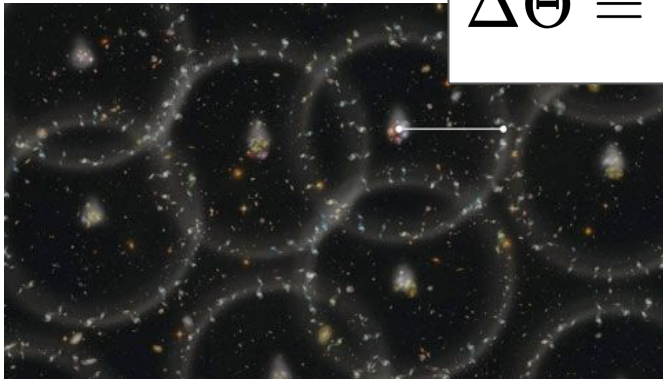
## Power spectrum

$$P(k) = \langle \tilde{\delta}(k)\tilde{\delta}^*(k') \rangle$$

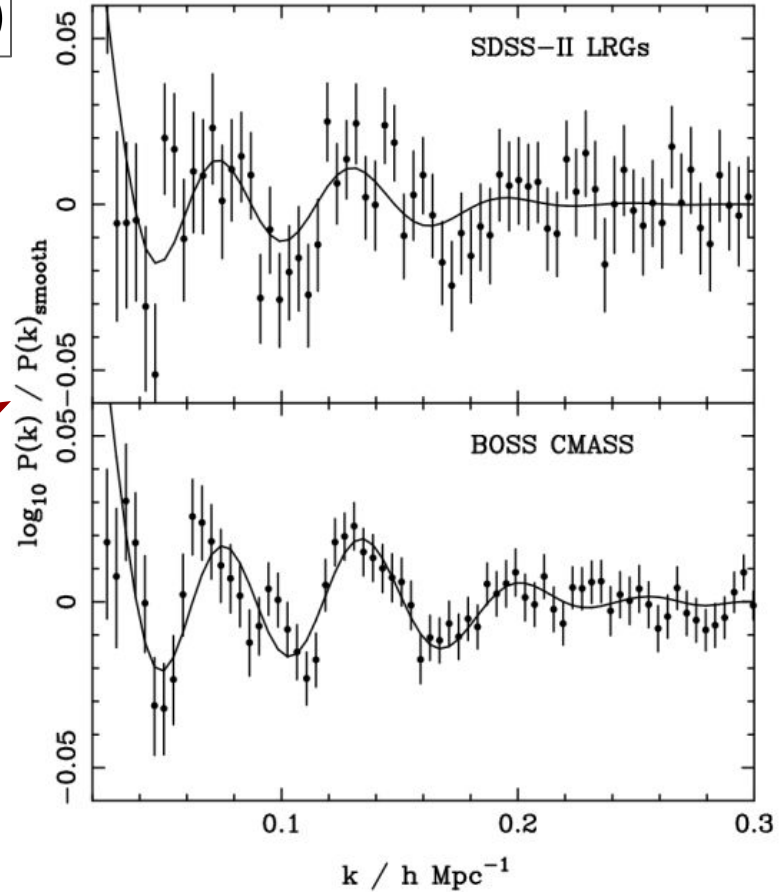


# STANDARD RULER (BAO)

$$\Delta \Theta = \frac{R}{d_a(z)}$$

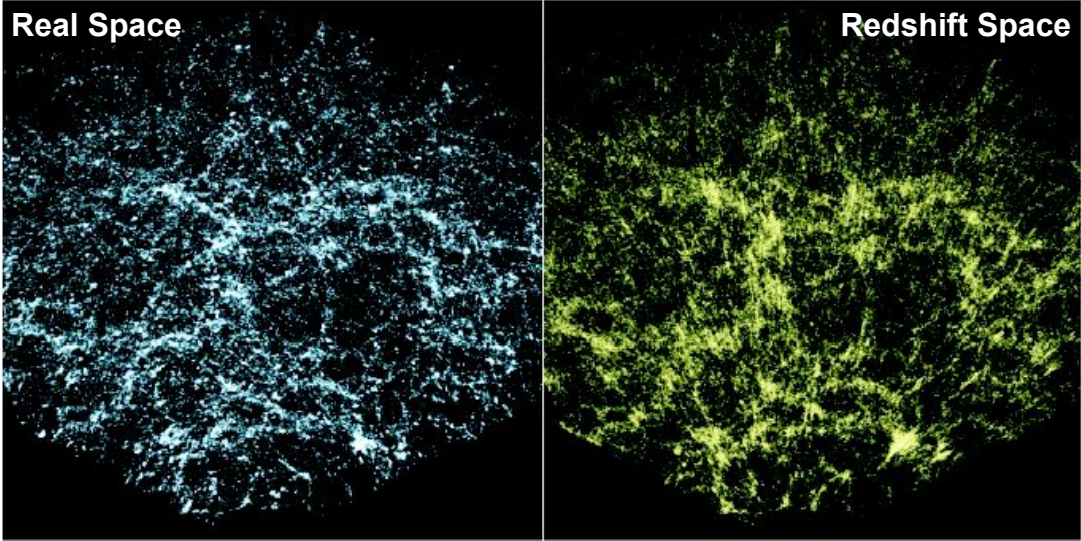


# Baryonic acoustic oscillations



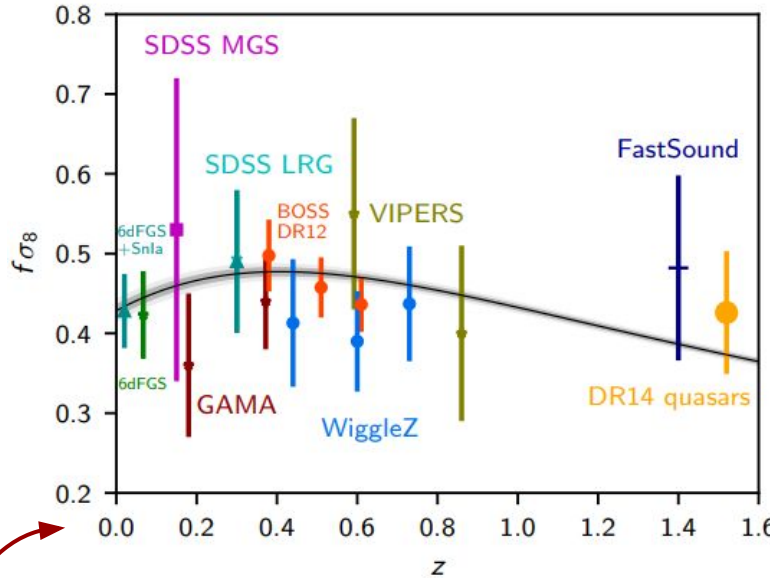


# REDSHIFT SPACE DISTORTIONS

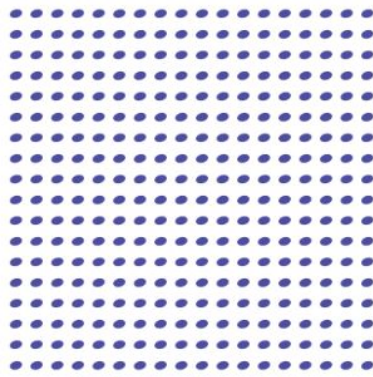
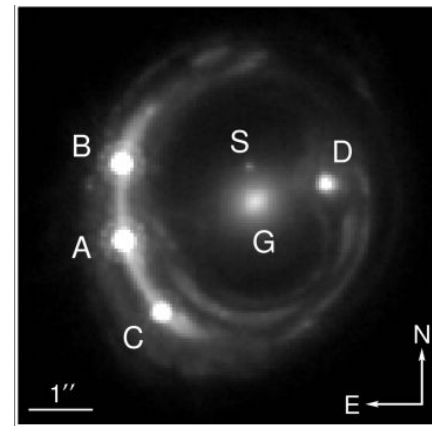
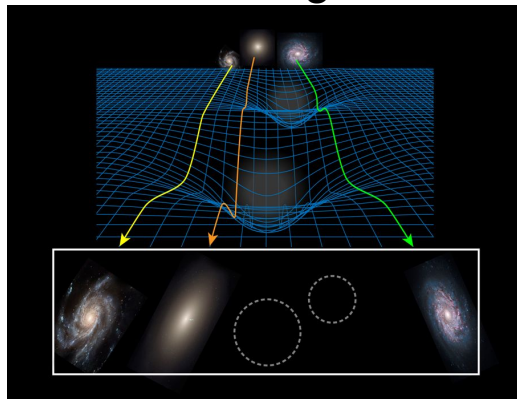


$$r_{\parallel}^{\text{obs}} = r_{\parallel}^{\text{true}} + \frac{v_{\text{pec}}}{aH}$$

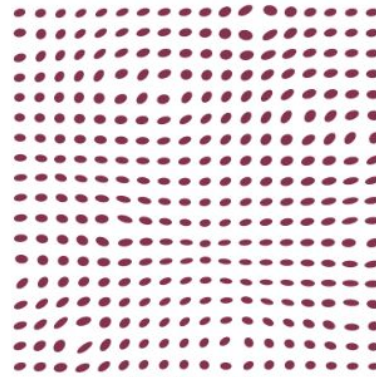
f = growth rate  
 $\sigma_8$  = amplitude matter power spectrum on 8 Mpc/h scale



# Gravitational (strong and weak) lensing

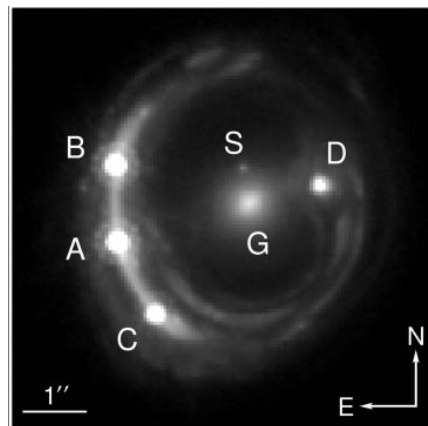
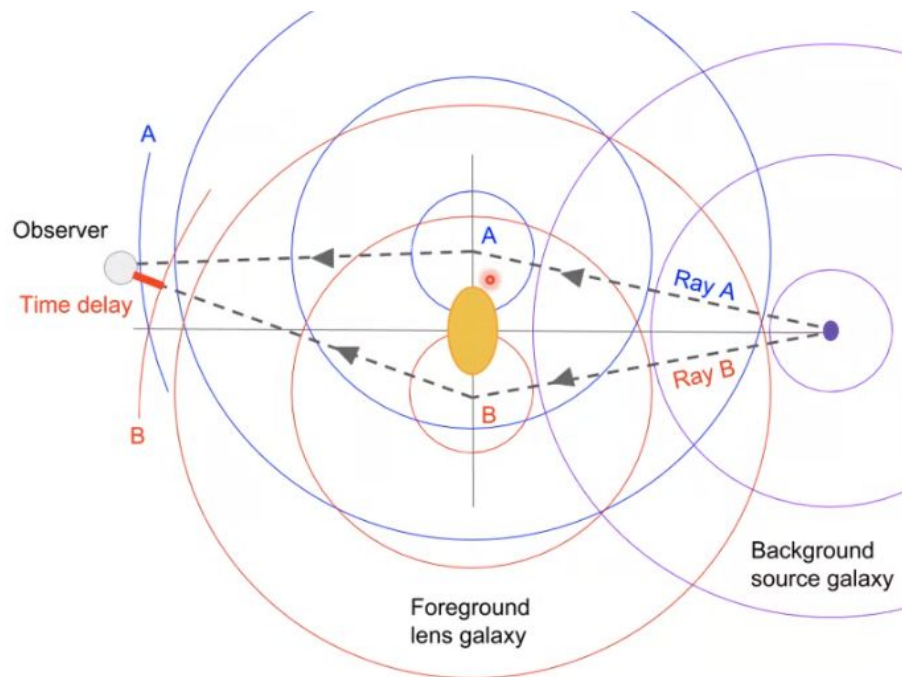


Unlensed sources



Weak lensing

# Time delay cosmography



## Time delay distance in practice

$$\Delta t \propto D_{\Delta t}(z_s, z_d) \propto H_0^{-1} f(\Omega_m, w, \dots)$$

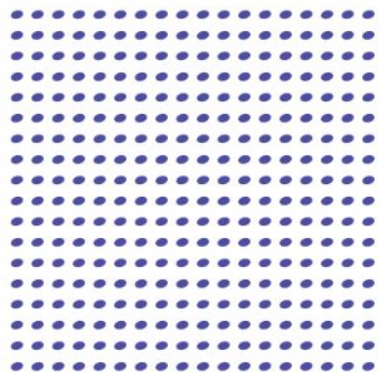
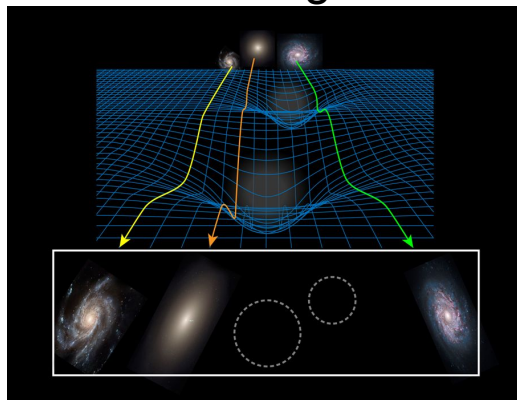
### Steps:

- Measure the time-delay between two images
- Measure and model the potential
- Infer the time-delay distance
- Convert it into cosmological parameters

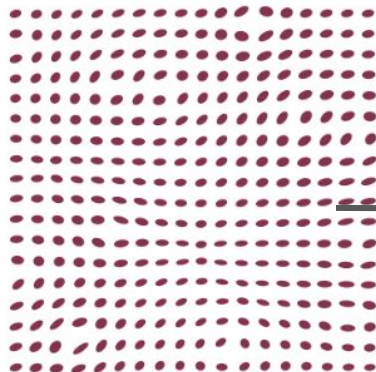
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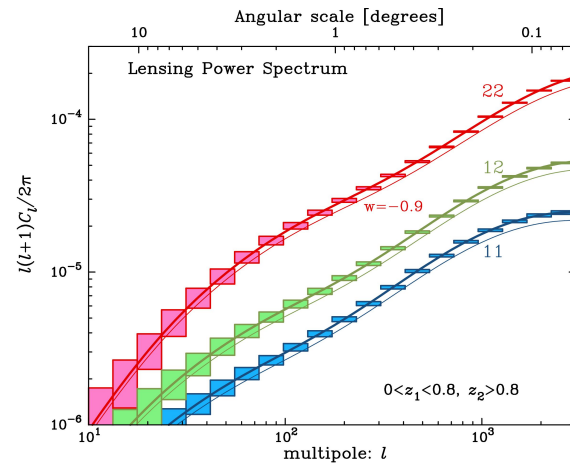
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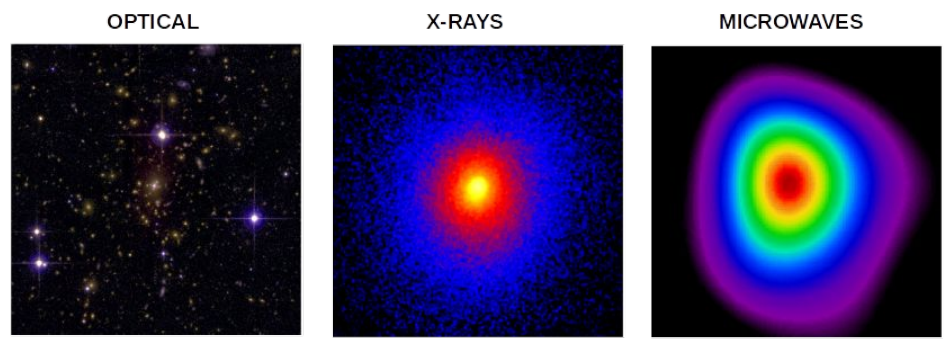


Weak lensing

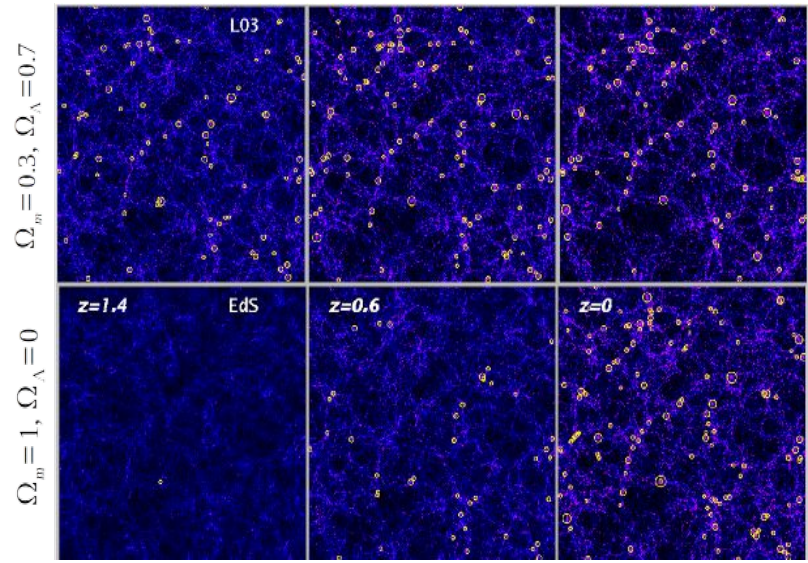


# CLUSTER COSMOLOGY

- **Most massive bound objects in the Universe:**  
 $M \approx 10^{13} - 10^{15} M_{\odot}$  and  $R \approx 1 - 5$  Mpc
- **Multi-component systems:**  
galaxies and stars (~5%), ICM (~15%), DM (~80%)



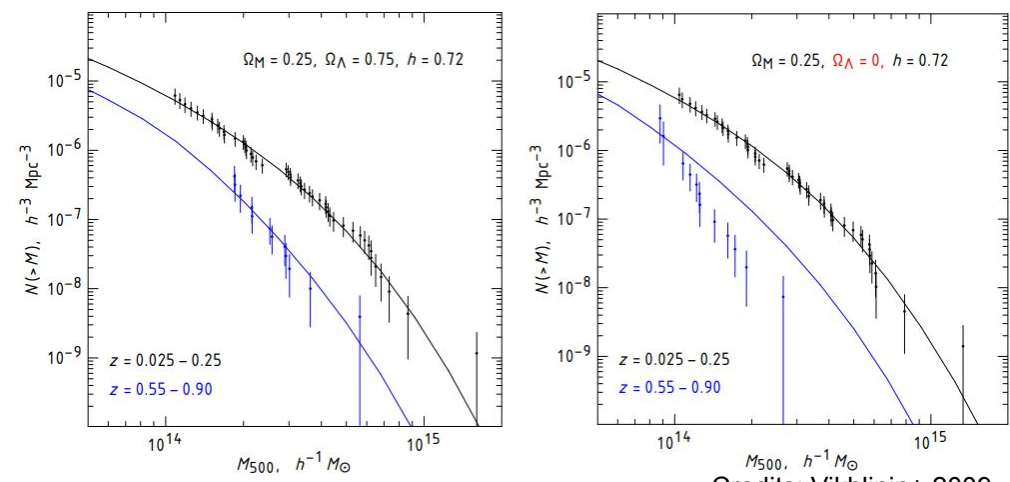
Evolution of the clusters population in 2 simulations



time  $\rightarrow$

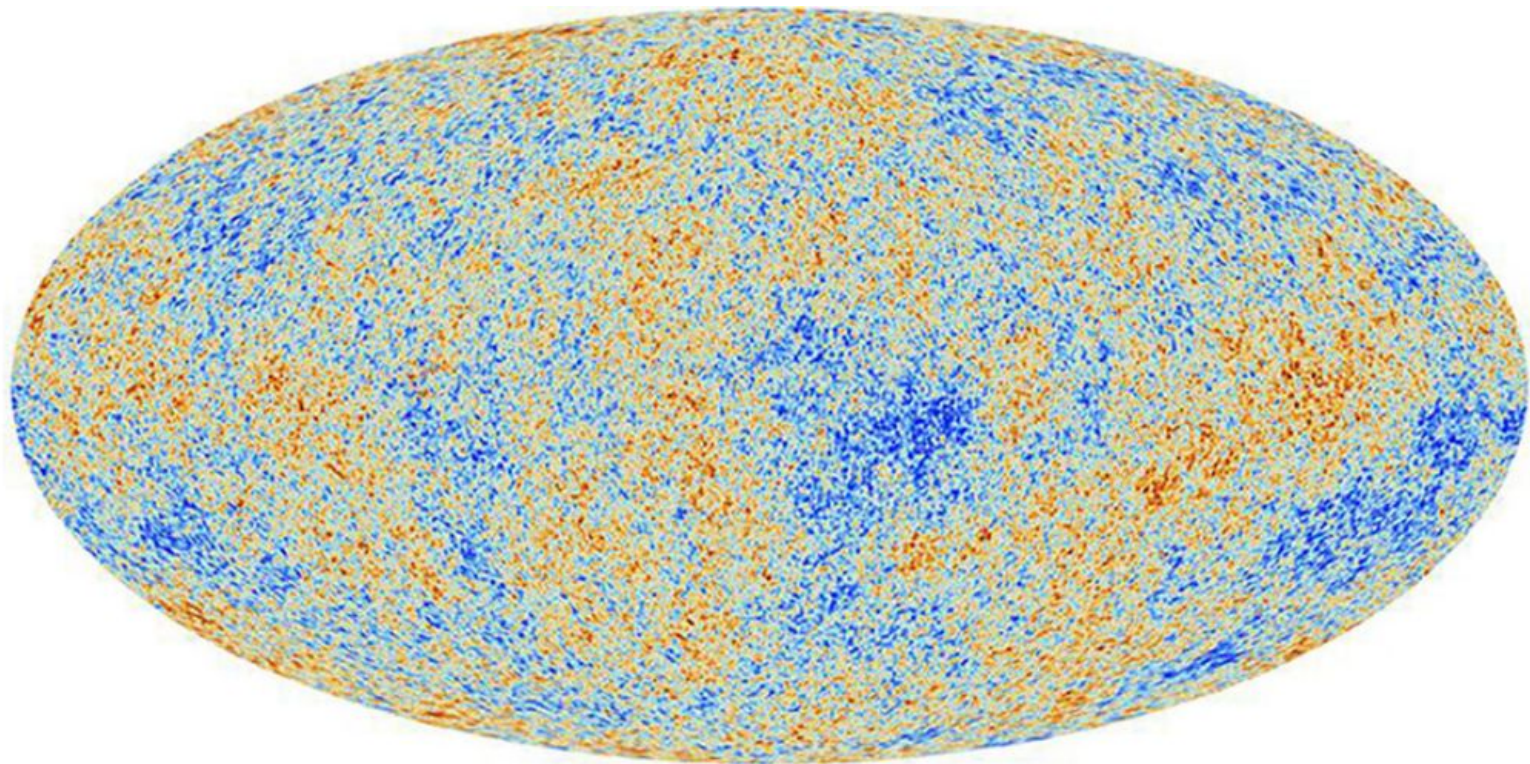
From Borgani, Guzzo 2001

Cluster mass function:



Credits: Vikhlinin+ 2009

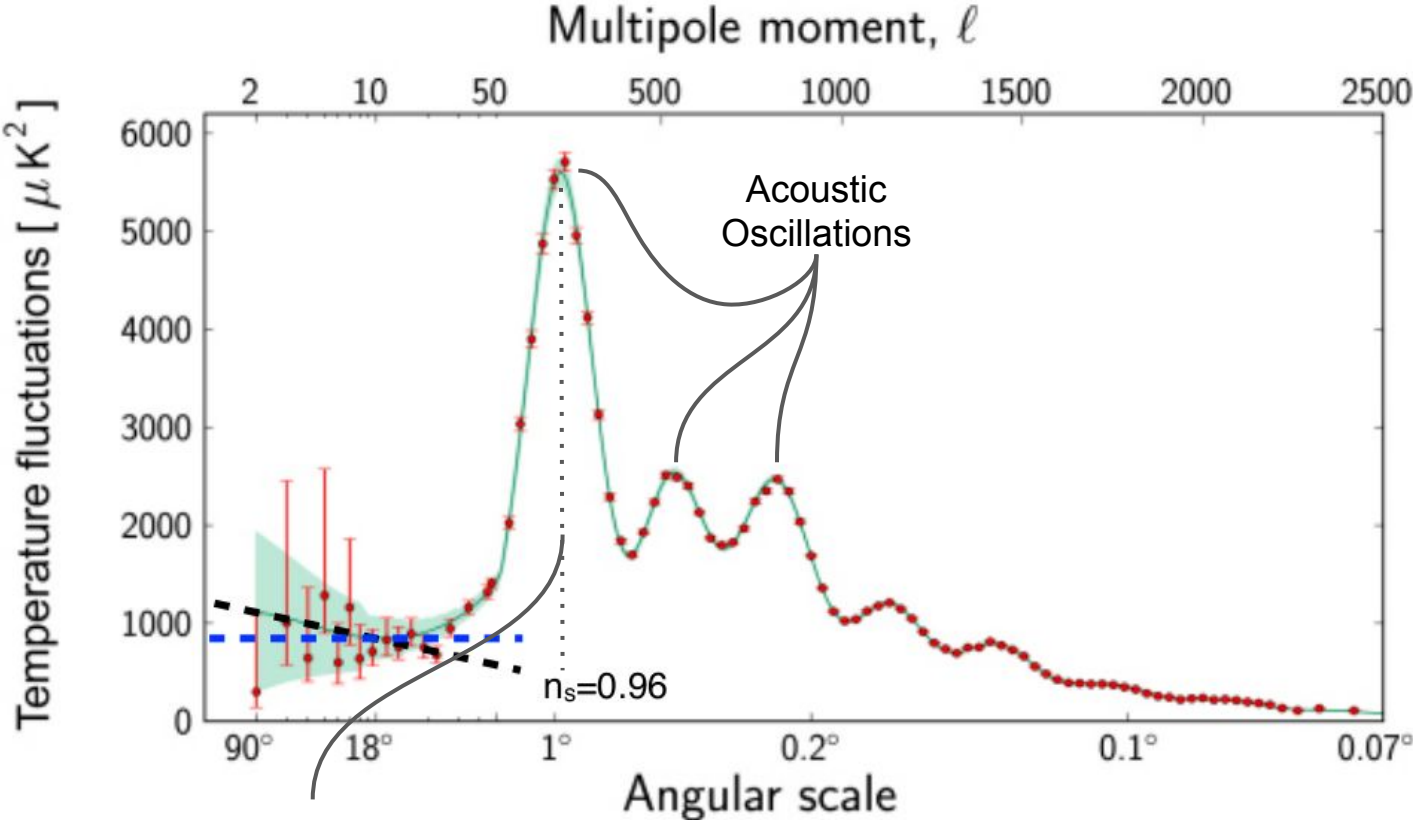




Cosmic Microwave  
Background and  
its fluctuations



# CMB Temperature Fluctuation power spectrum

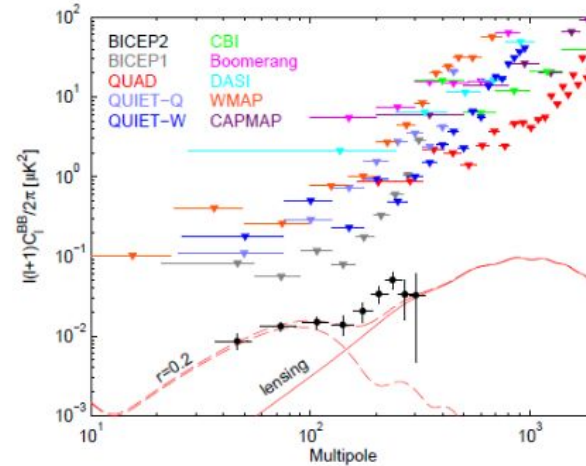
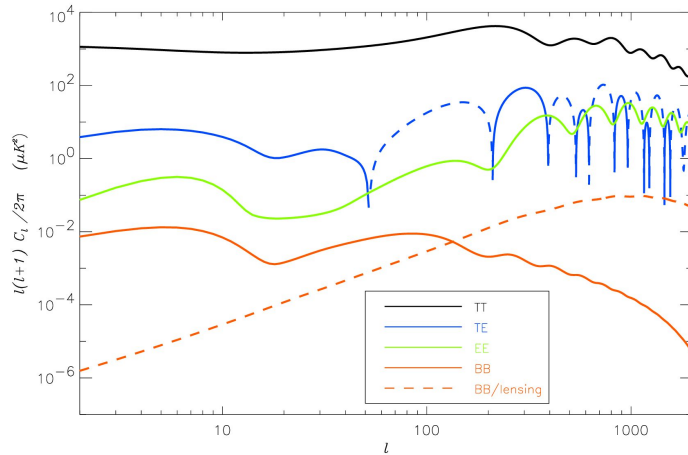
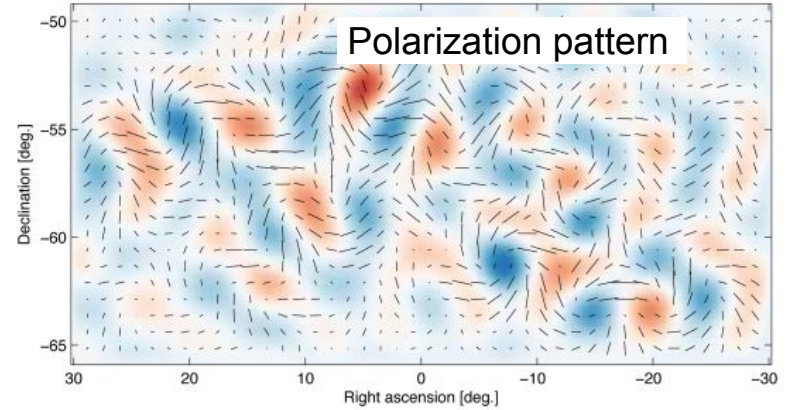
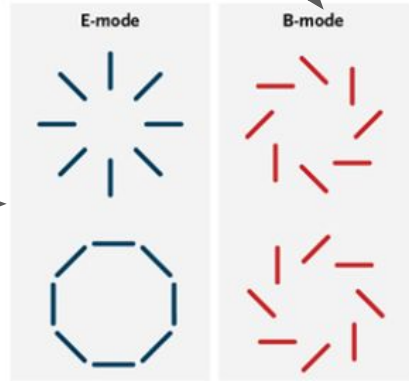


size Hubble radius @ decoupling

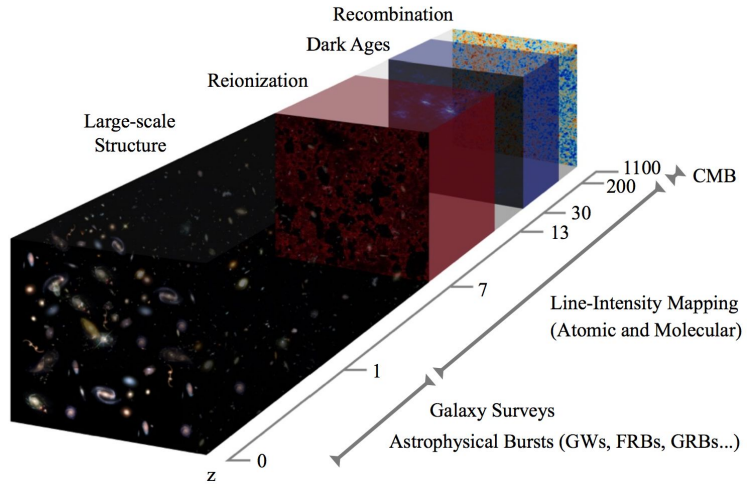
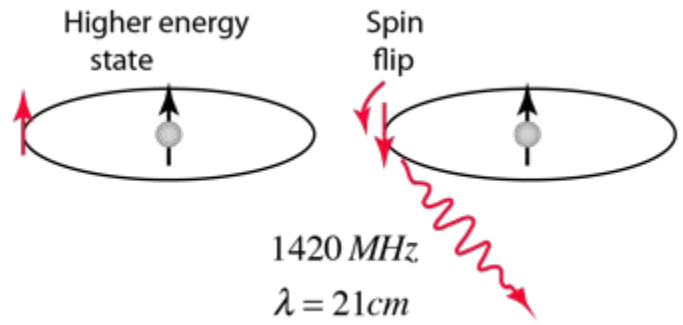
# CMB polarization

From primordial gravitational waves or lensing

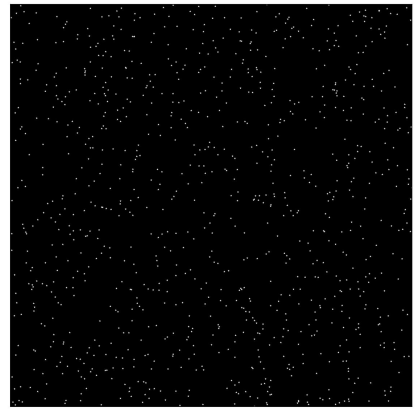
From acoustic density perturbations



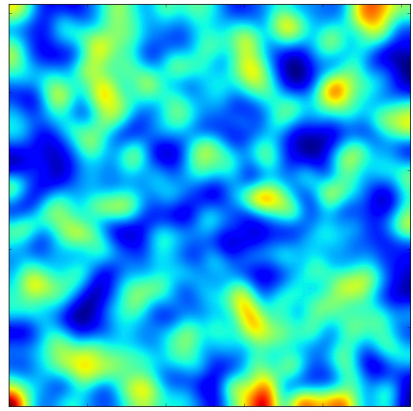
# 21cm COSMOLOGY



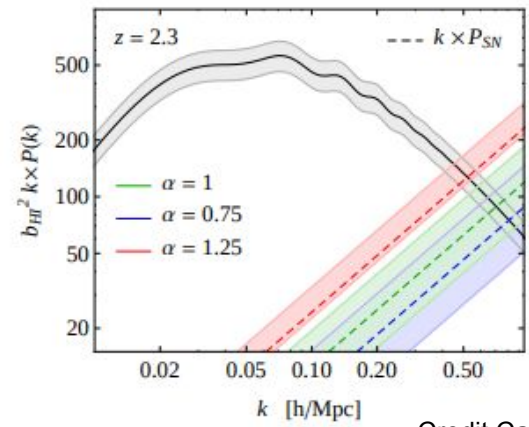
Galaxy distribution



21cm intensity map

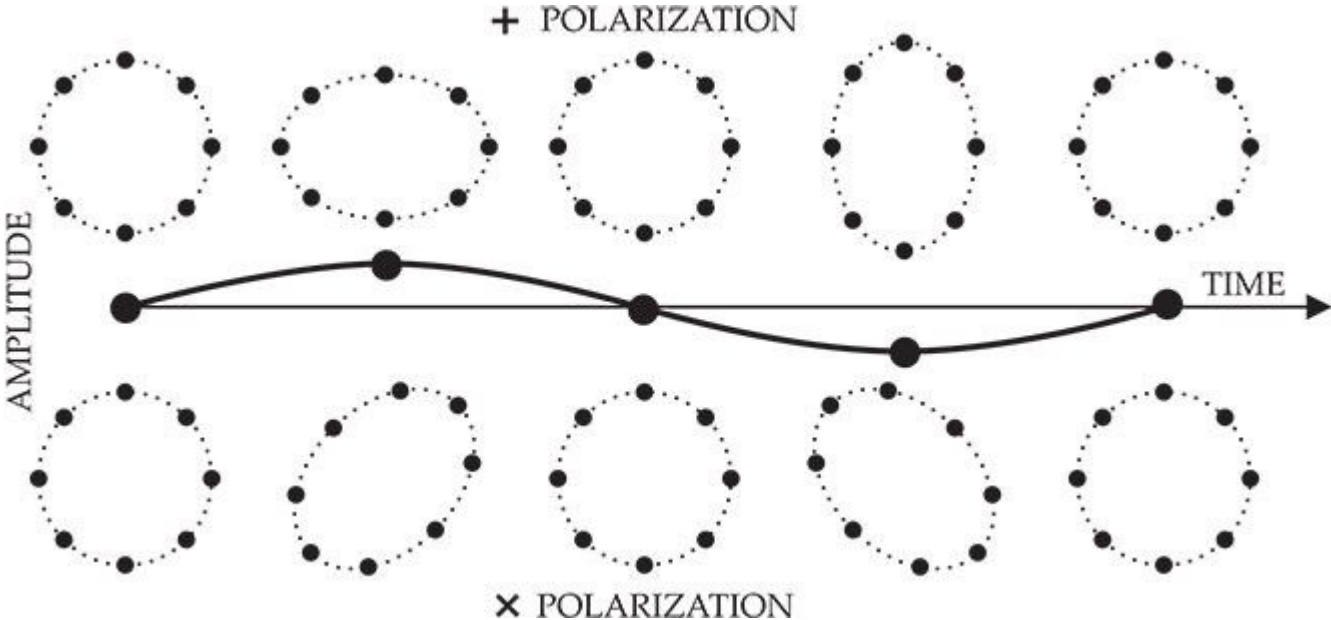


HI power spectrum



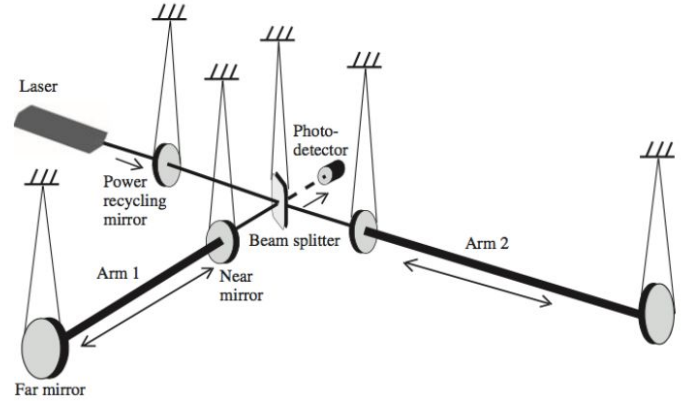
**GRAVITATIONAL WAVES:**

$$\left( -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} + \nabla^2 \right) \bar{h}^{\alpha\beta} = 0.$$

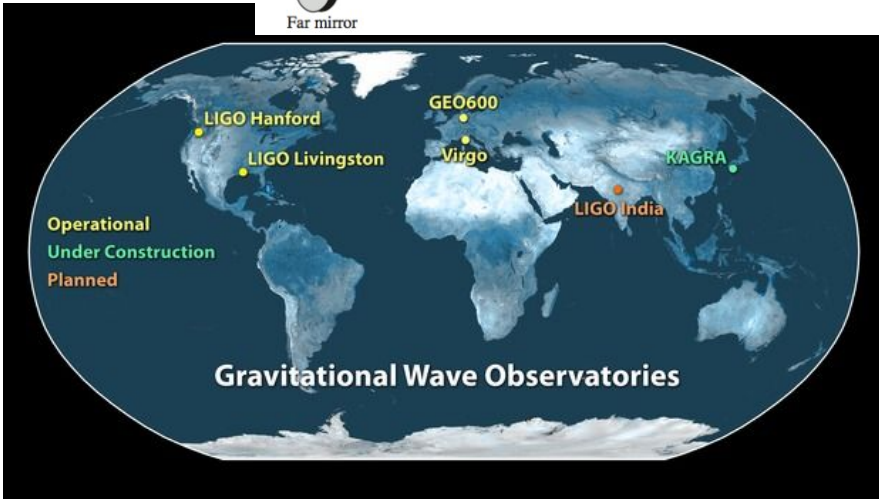


Typical relative deformation:

$$h = \frac{\Delta l}{l} \sim 10^{-21}$$

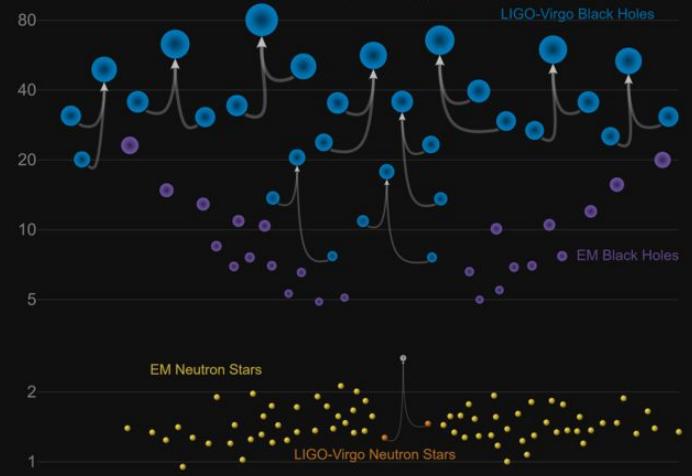


Laser Interferometer Gravitational-Wave Observatory (LIGO):  $l \sim 4\text{km} \rightarrow \Delta l \sim 10^{-16}\text{cm}$



### Masses in the Stellar Graveyard

*in Solar Masses*





# STANDARD SIRENS:

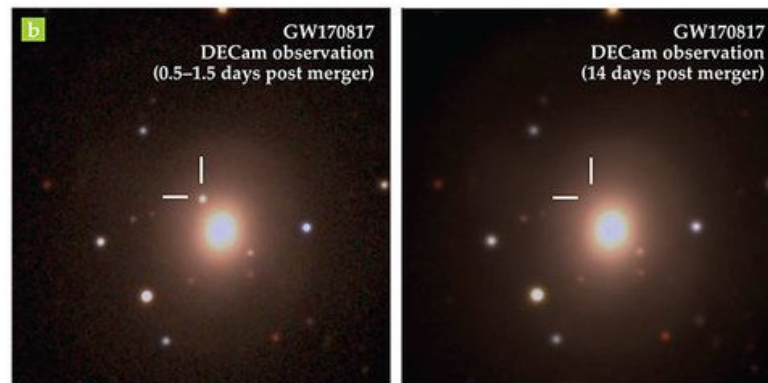
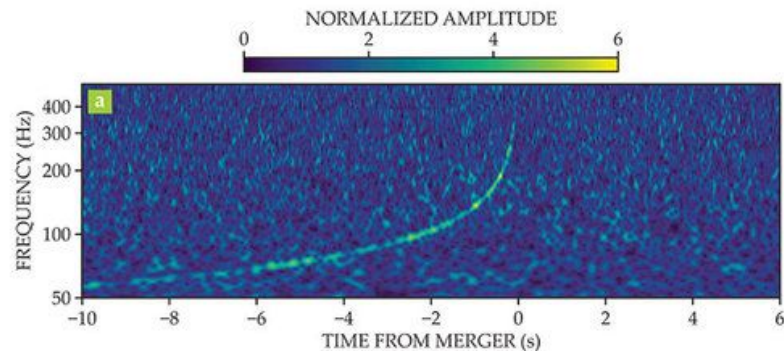
Wave's frequency sweep and amplitude depend on  $\mathcal{M} = (m_1 m_2)^{3/5} / (m_1 + m_2)^{1/5}$ , and luminosity distance:

$$\frac{d\Omega}{dt} \propto \left( \frac{GM}{c^3} \right)^{5/3}$$

$$h \propto \frac{1}{D_L} \left( \frac{GM}{c^3} \right)^{5/3} \Omega^{2/3}$$

- GW170817: Ns-Ns merger

EM transient observed in coincidence with the GW event → Host galaxy identified (NGC 4993)





# Cosmography with GW

- GW are “self-calibrating” sources (Schutz 1986)

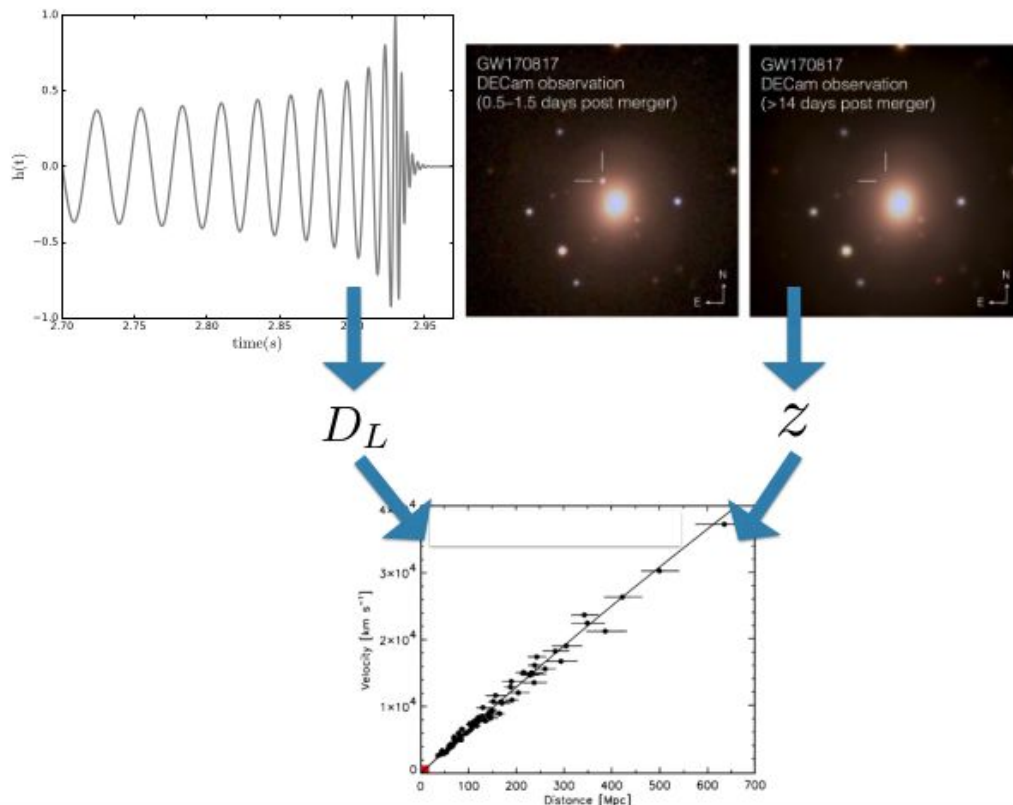
$$h \sim D_L^{-1}$$

- Direct measurement of luminosity distance

- “Standard sirens”

- In general, no redshift from GWs (Krolak & Schutz 1987)

$$m_{obs} = m_{src}(1 + z)$$





## GW170817

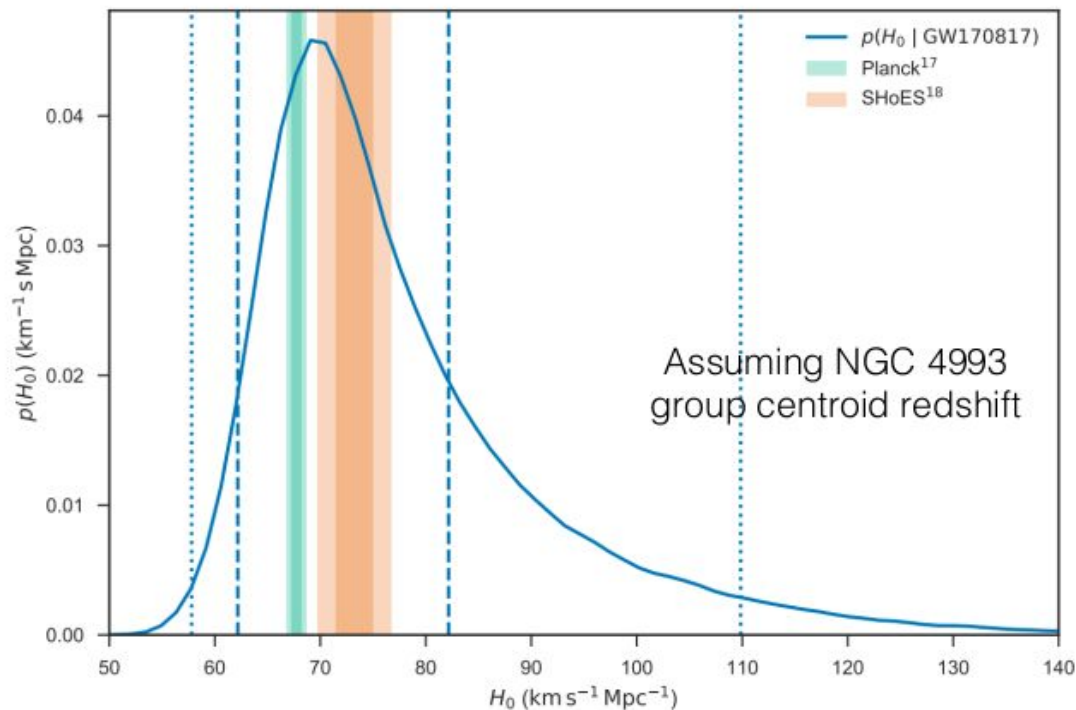
- From GW alone

$$D_L = 44_{-7}^{+3} \text{ Mpc}$$

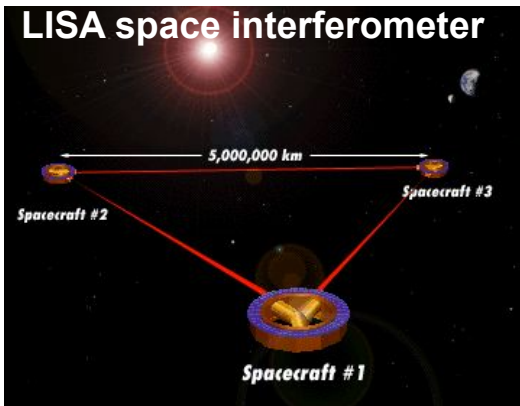
- NGC 4993

$$z = 0.0098$$

$$H_0 = 70_{-8}^{+12} \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$$

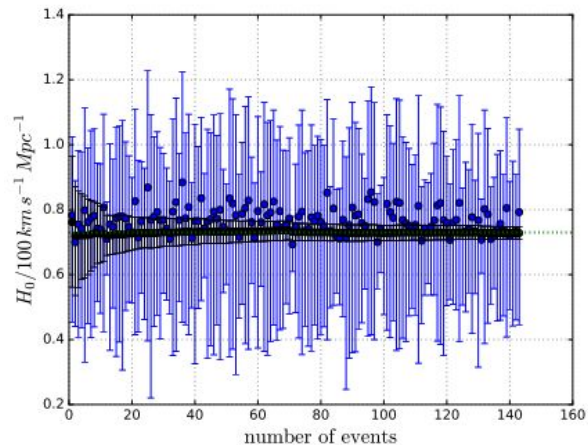
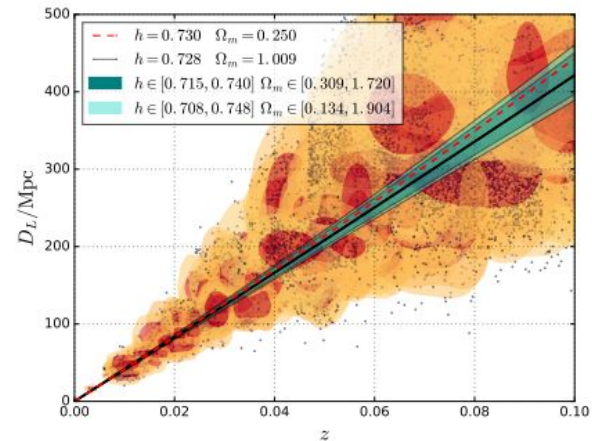


# $H_0$ FROM sBH MERGER



run	LISA design	$\mathcal{R}$ [ $\text{yr}^{-1}\text{Gpc}^{-3}$ ]	$N_{\text{BHB}}$	$h(68\%)$
A2 <sub>10</sub>	N2A2M5L6	12	7	$0.716^{+0.052}_{-0.050}$
A2 <sub>50</sub>	N2A2M5L6	34	22	$0.734^{+0.037}_{-0.033}$
A2 <sub>90</sub>	N2A2M5L6	70	39	$0.726^{+0.026}_{-0.024}$
A5 <sub>10</sub>	N2A5M5L6	12	55	$0.730^{+0.021}_{-0.020}$
A5 <sub>50</sub>	N2A5M5L6	34	143	$0.728^{+0.013}_{-0.012}$
A5 <sub>90</sub>	N2A5M5L6	70	259	$0.731^{+0.010}_{-0.009}$

**Table 1.** For each of the instrumental configurations and coalescence rates considered, we report the number of sources observed as well as the 68% credible intervals over  $h$  averaged over 10 realisations of the galaxy hosts.

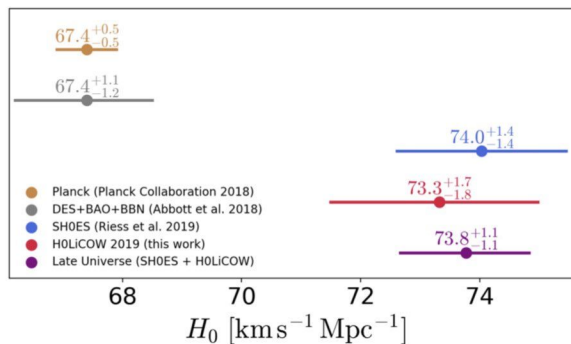


# $\Lambda$ CDM: CURRENT STATUS

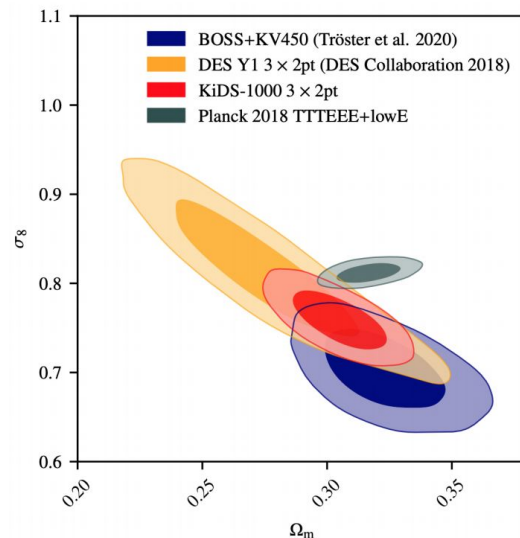
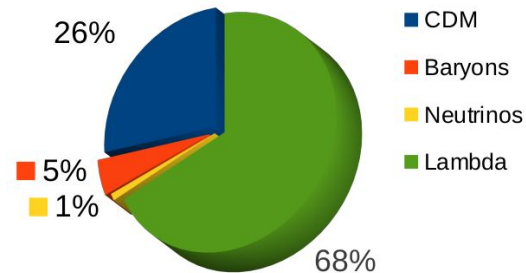
Several cosmological probes point towards a consistent model of flat  $\Lambda$ CDM, but the two dominant components of this model lack a fundamental theory to connect them with the rest of physics:

- What is the nature of Dark Matter?
- What is the cause of observed cosmic acceleration?
  - Is it Dark Energy or a modification of general relativity?
  - If it is Dark Energy, is it constant ( $\Lambda$ CDM) or evolving (wCDM)?

Moreover, tensions between parameters derived from early Universe probes (e.g. CMB) and low-redshift probes (e.g. SN, cosmic shear, galaxy clustering, cluster of galaxies)



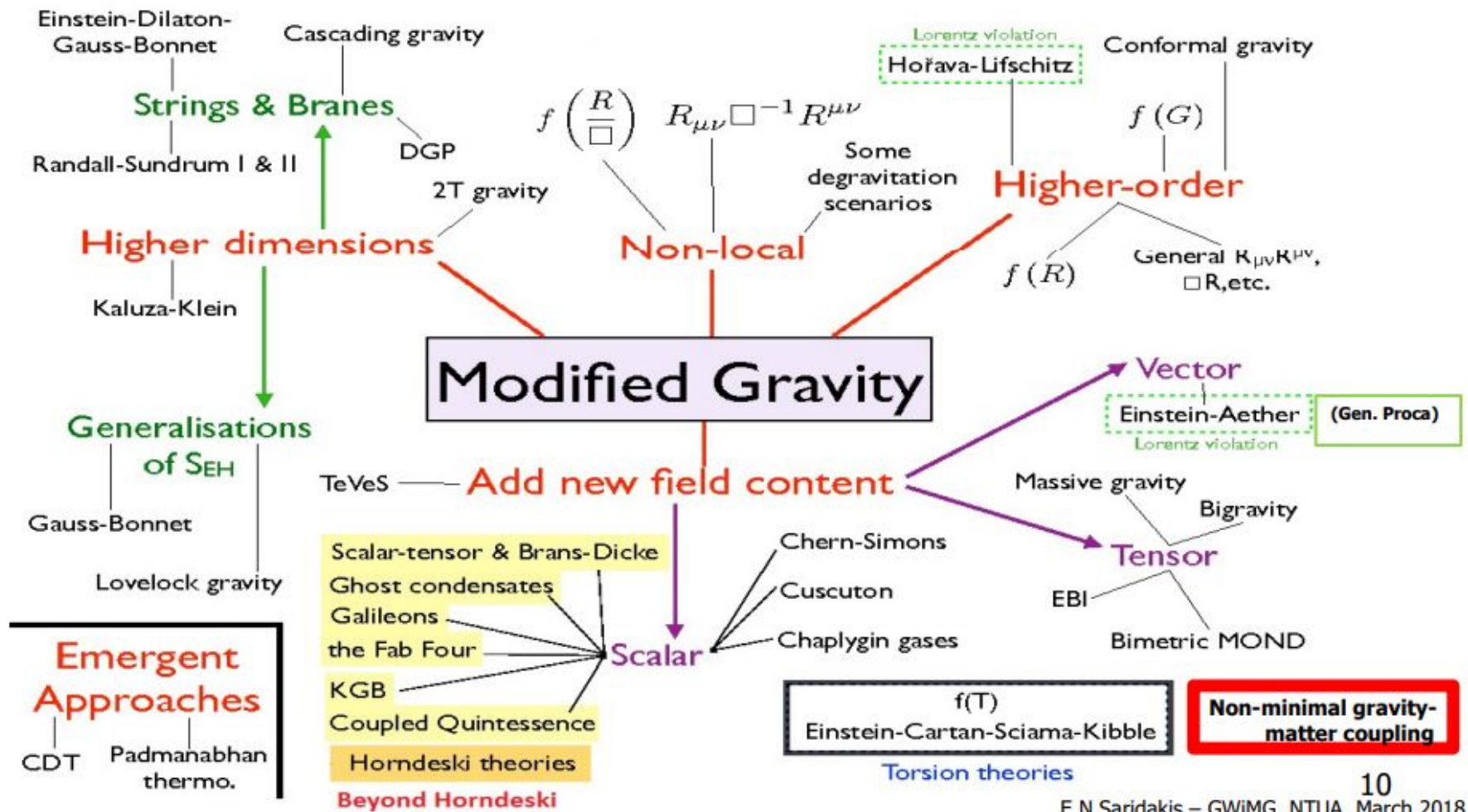
## The $\Lambda$ CDM universe



# What is dark energy? (R. Bean, arXiv:1003.4468)

Problems with cosmological constant  $\Lambda$ :

- unexplained constant (...but G?)
- fine tuning to have it dominating now ( $z \sim 0.5$ ), or:  $t_{\Lambda} = 1/c\sqrt{\Lambda} \sim H_0^{-1}$
- unnatural value if it is vacuum energy of a field
- string cosmology:  $10^{500}$  vacuum configurations + anthropic principle, but it is predictive?





## Quintessence

$$S_{EH} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \frac{1}{16\pi G} (R - 2\Lambda).$$

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \mathcal{L}, \quad \mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - V(\phi)$$

Scalar field potential

$$\begin{aligned} T_{\mu\nu}^{(\phi)} &\equiv -\frac{2}{\sqrt{-g}} \frac{\partial(\sqrt{-g}\mathcal{L})}{\partial g^{\mu\nu}} \\ &= \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - g_{\mu\nu} \left( \frac{1}{2} g^{\alpha\beta} \partial_\alpha \phi \partial_\beta \phi - V(\phi) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\rho_\phi = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\phi}^2 + V$$

$$P_\phi = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\phi}^2 - V$$

It is possible to find attractors  $\Rightarrow$  no fine tuning  
early dark energy: measurable consequences

## f(R) MODEL:

**f(R) gravity:** This is a class of modified gravity models in which the gravitational action contains a general function  $f(R)$  of the Ricci scalar.

$$S = \frac{M_p^2}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [R + f(R)] + \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \mathcal{L}_m[\chi_i, g_{\mu\nu}] , \quad (92)$$

Varying the action with respect to the metric gives the Einstein field equations which now contain additional terms on the LHS

$$(1 + f_R) R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} (R + f) + (g_{\mu\nu} \square - \nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu) f_R = 8\pi G T_{\mu\nu} , \quad (93)$$

where  $f_R \equiv df/dR$ .

The Friedmann equation and acceleration equations are modified,

$$H^2 + \frac{f}{6} + H \dot{f}_R = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho \quad (94)$$

$$\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} - H^2 f_R + a^2 \frac{f}{6} + \frac{3}{2} H \dot{f}_R + \frac{1}{2} \ddot{f}_R = -\frac{8\pi G}{6} (\rho + 3P) . \quad (95)$$

The extra terms in the acceleration equation are able to reconcile the observed acceleration  $\ddot{a} > 0$  with a universe populated by matter with positive pressure.

## Observational efforts:

- Detect a gravitational wave background from CMB polarization
- Measure galaxy clustering to constrain the Baryonic Acoustic Oscillations (BAO) and make precision geometry measurements
- Measure the growth of perturbations from Redshift Space Distortions (RSD): test of gravity theory
- Measure gravitational Weak Lensing (WL) from the average distortion of background galaxies
- Obtain the equation of state of dark energy: is it  $w \neq -1$ ?