

Interacting Dark Energy [Kodama & Sasaki (1985), Wetterich (1995), Amendola (2000) + many others...]

Idea: why not directly couple dark energy and dark matter?

$$\text{Ein eqn} \quad : \quad G_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi G T_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\text{General covariance} \quad : \quad \nabla_{\mu} G^{\mu}_{\nu} = 0 \rightarrow \nabla_{\mu} T^{\mu}_{\nu} = 0$$

$$T_{\mu\nu} = \sum_i T_{\mu\nu}^{(i)} \rightarrow \nabla_{\mu} T^{\mu}_{\nu}{}^{(i)} = -\nabla_{\mu} T^{\mu}_{\nu}{}^{(j)} \text{ is ok}$$

Couple dark energy and dark matter fluid in form:

$$\nabla_{\mu} T^{\mu}_{\nu}{}^{(\phi)} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \kappa \beta(\phi) T_{\alpha}^{\alpha(m)} \nabla_{\nu} \phi$$

$$\nabla_{\mu} T^{\mu}_{\nu}{}^{(m)} = -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \kappa \beta(\phi) T_{\alpha}^{\alpha(m)} \nabla_{\nu} \phi$$

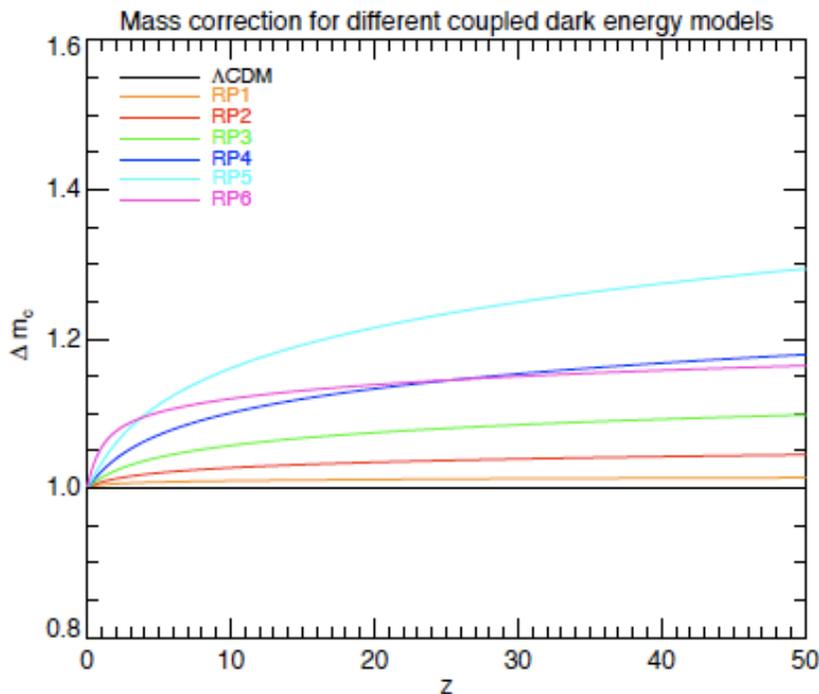
Evolution equations are then modified, $H(a, \beta(\phi))$, and a variable dark matter mass emerges:

$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} + \frac{dV(\phi)}{d\phi} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\kappa\beta(\phi)\rho_m$$

$$\dot{\rho}_m + 3H\rho_m = -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\kappa\beta(\phi)\dot{\phi}$$

$$\dot{\rho}_b + 3H\rho_b = 0$$

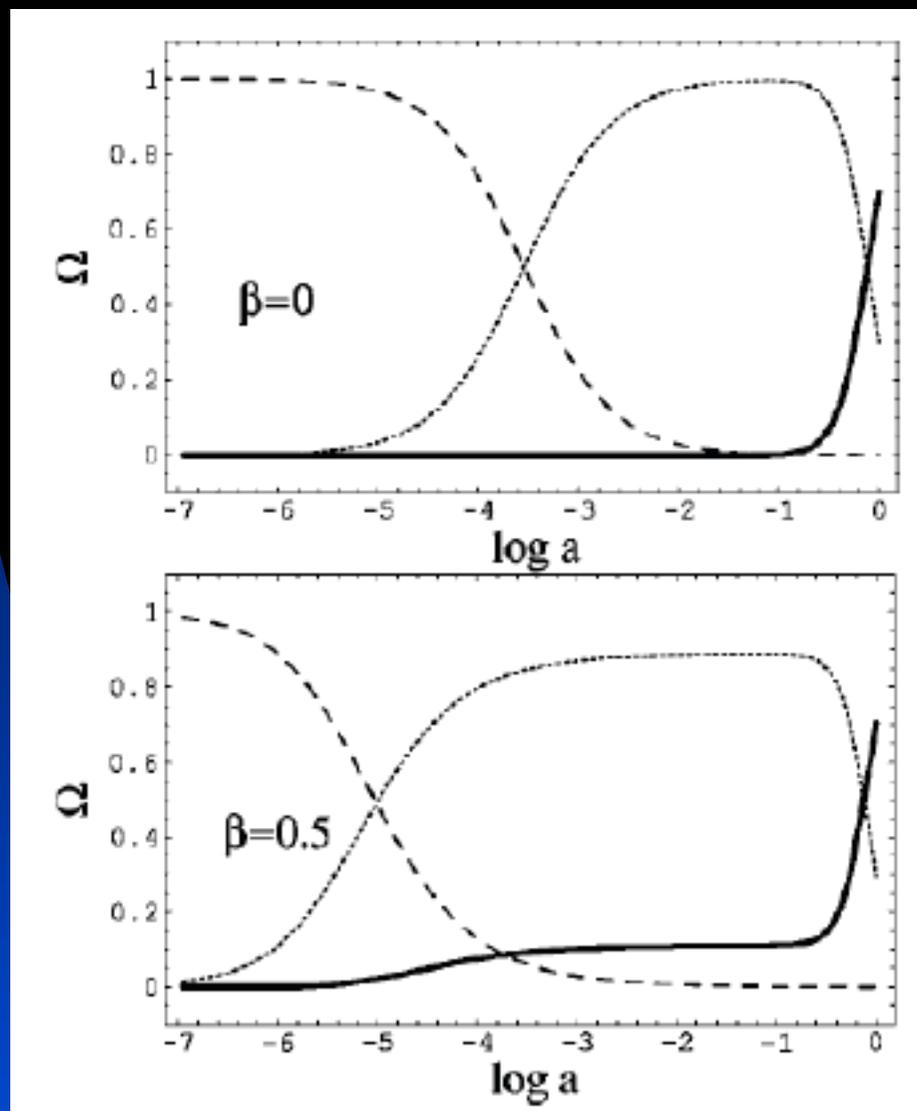
$$m(\phi) = m_0 \exp \left[\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\kappa \int_{\phi}^{\phi_0} \beta(\phi') d\phi' \right] = m_0 F_M(\phi)$$



Variation of dark matter mass:

Phase plane analysis leads to scaling solutions and fixed points:

For weak coupling $|\beta| < 3/2$, find both late time accelerated DE attractor, and ϕ -MDE epoch early on



Perturbations in Interacting Dark Energy Models [Baldi et al (2008)]

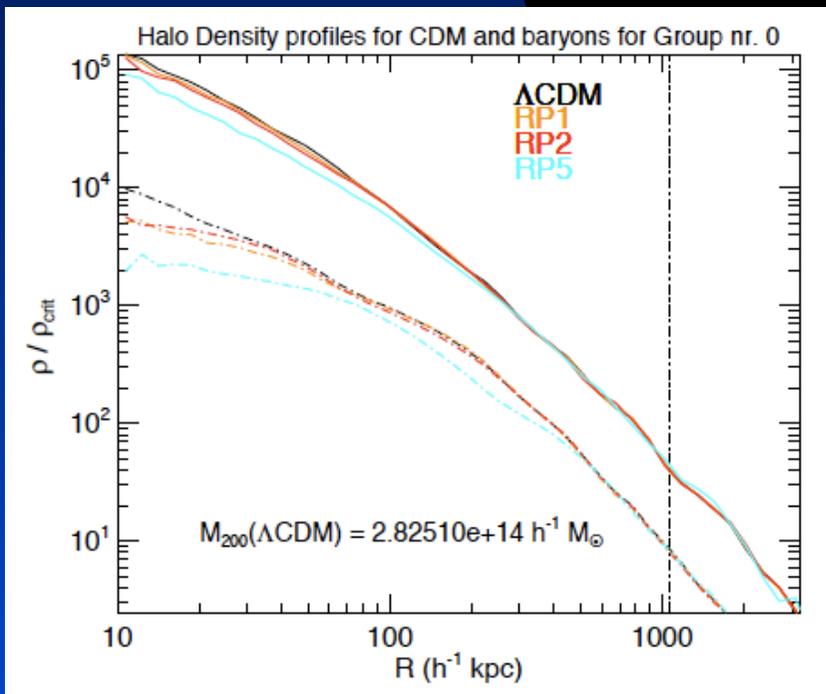
Perturb everything linearly : Matter fluid example

$$\ddot{\delta}_c + \left(2H - 2\beta \frac{\dot{\phi}}{M} \right) \dot{\delta}_c - \frac{3}{2} H^2 [(1 + 2\beta^2) \Omega_c \delta_c + \Omega_b \delta_b] = 0$$

extra
modified
vary DM
friction
grav
particle

interaction
mass

Include in simulations of structure formation : GADGET [Springel (2005)]



Halo mass function modified.

Halos remain well fit by NFW profile.

Density decreases compared to Λ CDM as coupling β increases.

Scale dep bias develops from fifth force acting between CDM particles. enhanced as go from linear to smaller non-linear scales.

Still early days ..

Density decreases as coupling β increases

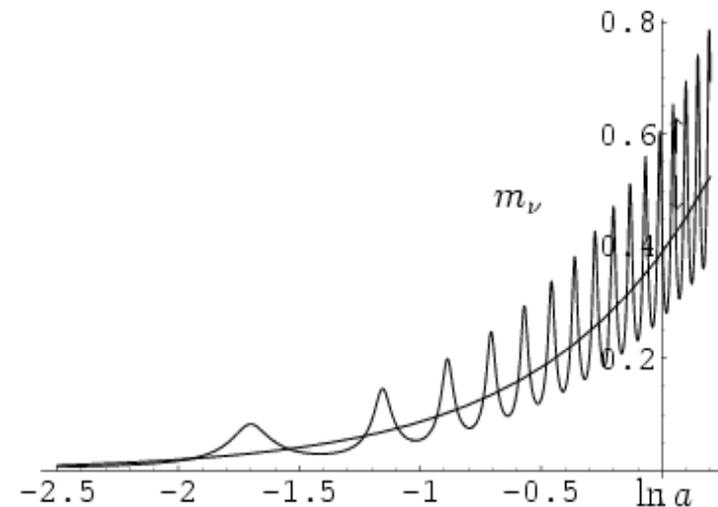
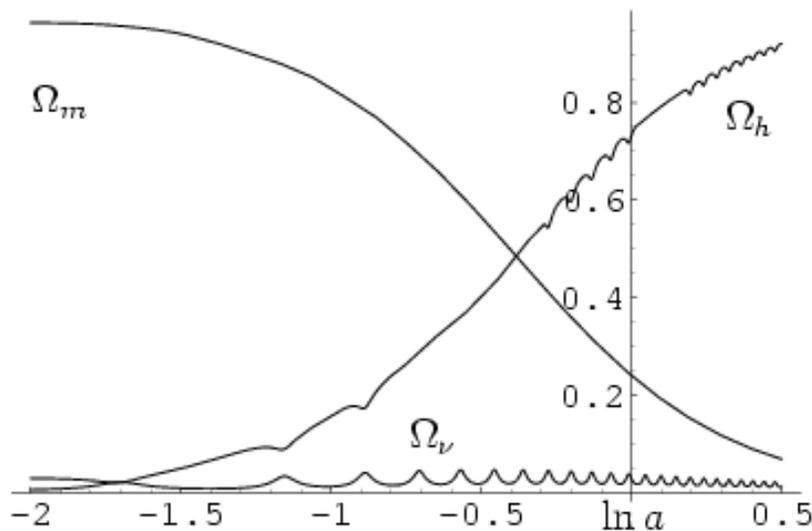
Including neutrinos -- 2 distinct DM families -- resolve coincidence problem [Amendola et al (2007)]

Depending on the coupling, find that the neutrino mass grows at late times and this triggers a transition to almost static dark energy.

Trigger scale set by when neutrinos become non-rel

$$[\rho_h(t_0)]^{\frac{1}{4}} = 1.07 \left(\frac{\gamma m_\nu(t_0)}{eV} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} 10^{-3} eV$$

$$w_0 \approx -1 + \frac{m_\nu(t_0)}{12eV}$$



m_ν

Mass Varying Neutrino Models (MaVaNs). [Hung; Li et al; Fardon et al]

Coincidence ? $\rho_\Lambda \sim \Delta m_\nu^2(\text{solar}) \sim (10^{-3})^4 \text{eV}^4$

Perhaps neutrinos coupled to dark energy with a mass depending on a scalar field -- acceleron

Field has instantaneous min which varies slowly as function of neutrino density. It can be heavy relative to Hubble rate (unlike standard Quintessence).

Eff pot for MaVaNs: $V = n_\nu m_\nu(\mathcal{A}) + V_0(\mathcal{A})$ with: $n_\nu = -\frac{\partial V_0}{\partial m_\nu}$

EOS for system (ignoring KE of acceleron):

$$w = \frac{p}{\rho} = -1 + \frac{n_\nu m_\nu}{V}$$

$$w \sim -1 \text{ for } n_\nu m_\nu \ll V_0$$

Many authors studied cosmology -- interesting model, example of coupled dark energy scenarios [Amendola; Brookfield et al 05 and 07]

Chaplygin gases -- acceleration by changing the equation of state of exotic background fluid rather than using a scalar field potential. [Kamenshchik, Moshella, Pasquier 2001]

$$p = -\frac{A}{\rho}$$

Sub in energy-momentum conservation

$$\rho = \sqrt{A + \frac{B}{a^6}}$$

Interpolates: dust dom --> De Sitter phase via stiff fluid

$$\rho = \sqrt{B}a^{-3}$$

$$p = -\rho$$

$$p = \rho$$

Representation in terms of generalised d-branes evolving in (d + 1, 1) dimensional spacetime [Bento et al, 2002]

Nice feature -- does not introduce new scalar field. Provides way of unifying dark matter and dark energy under one umbrella. (Note can write it as a potential if you want)

Need to understand ways of testing it observationally. Must link LSS and current acceleration.

Accⁿ from new Gravitational Physics? [Starobinski 1980, Carroll et al 2003]

$$S = \frac{M_{\text{P}}^2}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left(R - \frac{\mu^4}{R} \right) + \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \mathcal{L}_M$$

Modify Einstein

Const curv vac
solutions:

$$\nabla_{\mu} R = 0, \rightarrow R = \pm \sqrt{3} \mu^2$$

de Sitter or Anti de
Sitter

Transform to EH
action:

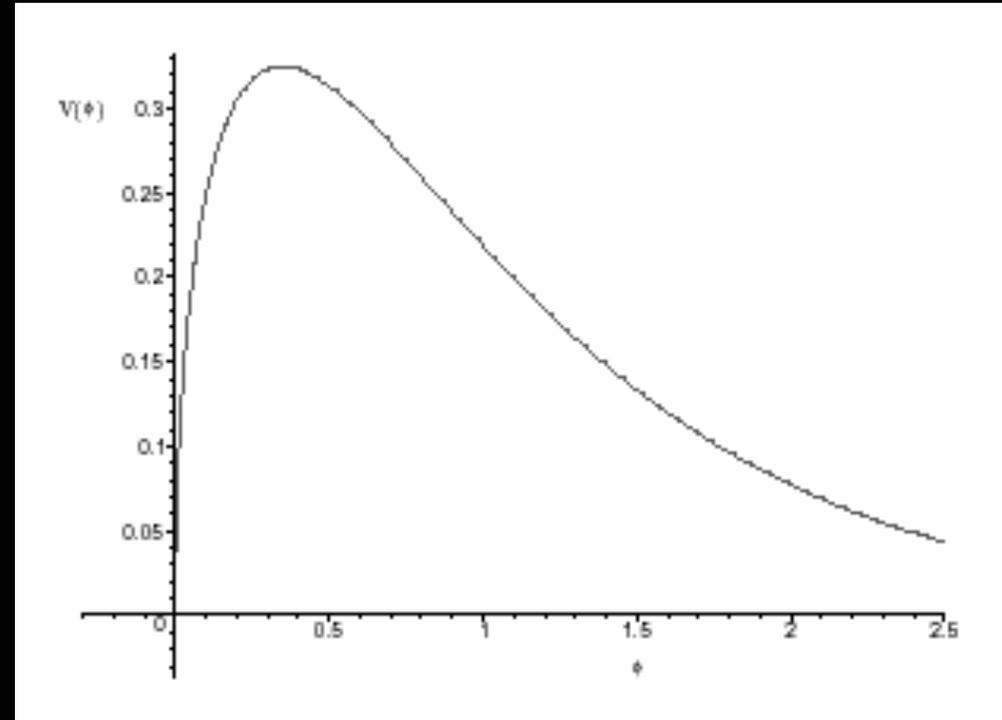
$$\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = p(\phi) g_{\mu\nu}, \quad p \equiv \exp \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\phi}{M_{\text{P}}} \right) \equiv 1 + \frac{\mu^4}{R^2}$$

Scalar field min coupled to gravity and non minimally coupled to
matter fields with potential:

$$V(\phi) = \mu^2 M_{\text{P}}^2 \frac{\sqrt{p-1}}{p^2}$$

Cosmological solutions:

1. **Eternal de Sitter** - ϕ just reaches V_{\max} and stays there. Fine tuned and unstable.
2. **Power law inflation** -- ϕ overshoots V_{\max} , universe asymptotes with $w_{\text{DE}} = -2/3$.
3. **Future singularity** -- ϕ doesn't reach V_{\max} , and evolves back towards $\phi=0$.



1. Fine tuning needed so acceleration only recently: $m \sim 10^{-33} \text{eV}$
2. Also, not consistent with classic solar system tests of gravity.
3. Claim that such R^{-n} corrections fail to produce matter dom era
[Amendola et al, 06]

But recent results based on singular perturbation theory suggests it is possible [Evans et al, 07]

Designer $f(R)$ models [Hu and Sawicki (2007)]

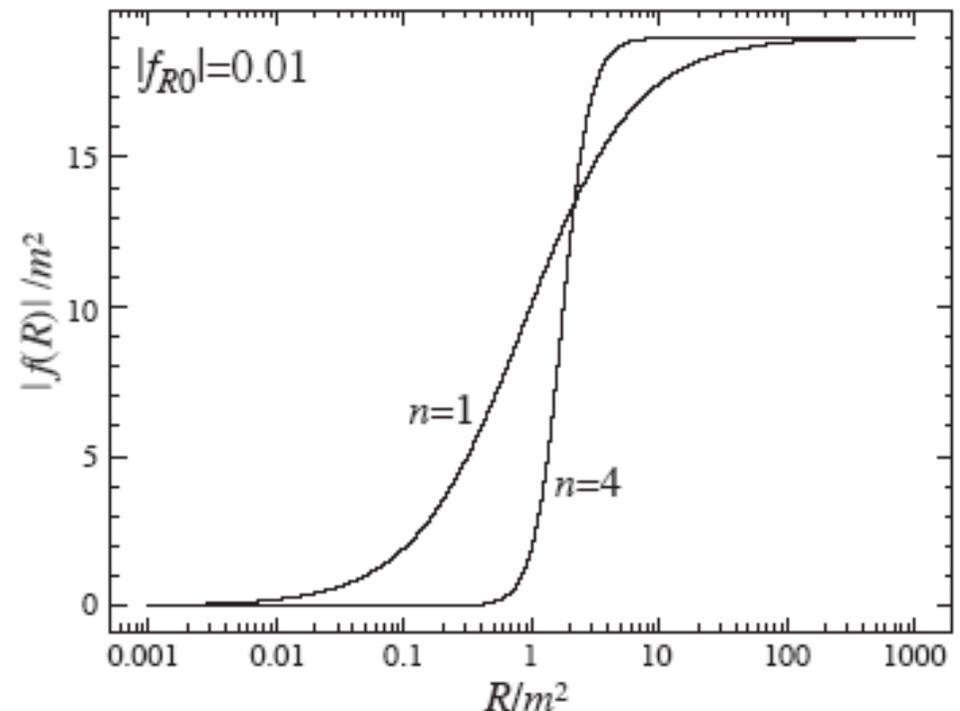
Construct a model to satisfy observational requirements:

1. Mimic LCDM at high z as required by CMB
2. Accelerate univ at low z
3. Include enough dof to allow for variety of low z phenomena
4. Include phenom of LCDM as limiting case.
5. Quantum corrections?

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} f(R) = \text{const.},$$
$$\lim_{R \rightarrow 0} f(R) = 0,$$

$$f(R) = -m^2 \frac{c_1 (R/m^2)^n}{c_2 (R/m^2)^n + 1},$$

$$f_{RR} \equiv \frac{d^2 f(R)}{dR^2} > 0$$



More general $f(R)$ models [Gurovich & Starobinsky (79); Tkachev (92); Carloni et al (04,07); Amendola & Tsujikawa 08; Bean et al 07; Wu & Sawicki 07; Appleby & Battye (07) and (08); Starobinsky (07); Evans et al (07); Frolov (08)...]

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{R + f(R)}{2\kappa^2} + \mathcal{L}_m \right] \quad \text{No } \Lambda$$

Usually $f(R)$ struggles to satisfy both solar system bounds on deviations from GR and late time acceleration. It brings in extra light degree of freedom --> fifth force constraints.

Ans: Make scalar dof massive in high density solar vicinity and hidden from solar system tests by chameleon mechanism.

Requires form for $f(R)$ where mass of scalar is large and positive at high curvature.

Issue over high freq oscillations in R and singularity in finite past.

In fact has to look like a standard cosmological constant [Song et al, Amendola et al]

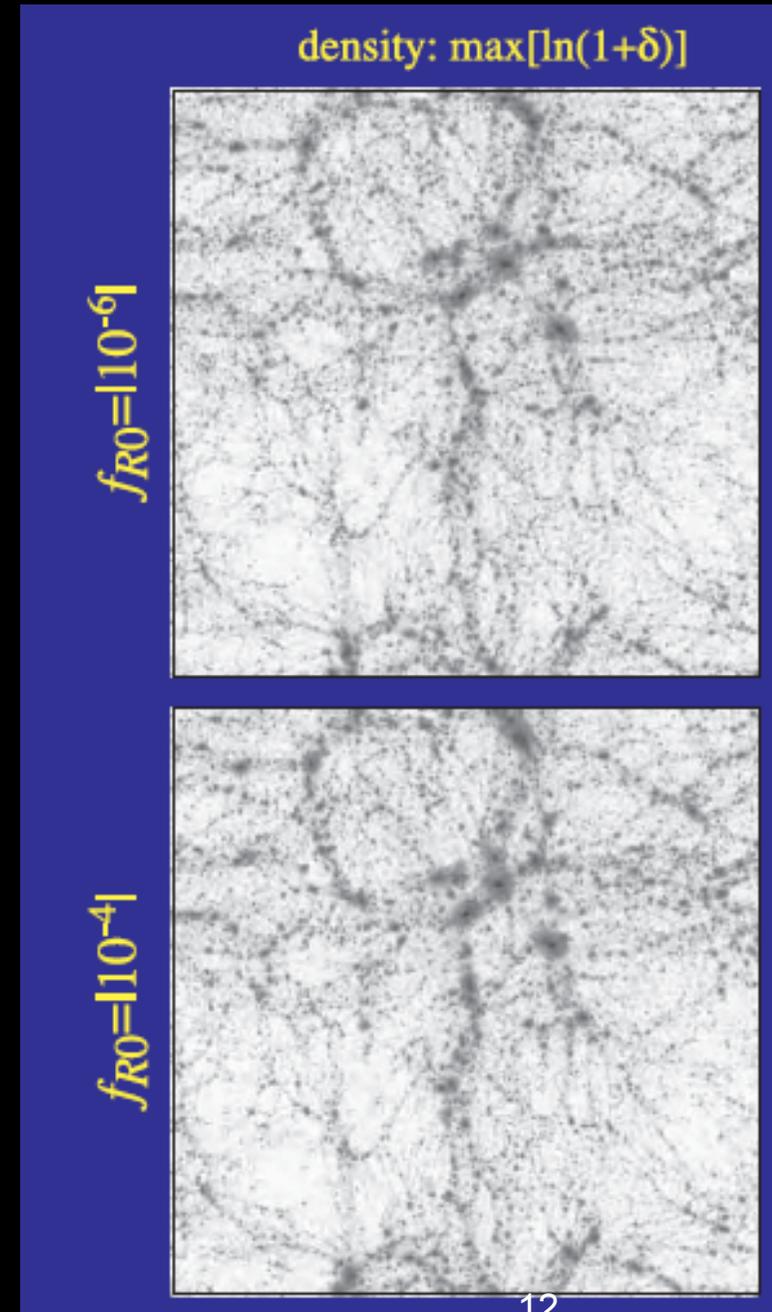
Non-linear evolution of $f(R)$ models [Oyaizu, Lima and Hu (2008)]

Cosmological simulations of $f(R)$ models.
Extra scalar dof (df/dR) enhances force of gravity below the inverse mass of the scalar (d^2f/dR^2).

Simulation exhibits chameleon mechanism -
> satisfy local constraints as the mass depends on the environment, in particular the depth of the local grav pot.

Find suppression of enhancement of power spectrum in non-linear regime but not at intermediate scales which are measurable.

For large bgd fields cmp to pot depth find enhanced forces and structure -- measurable?



Modifications of Friedmann equation in 4D:

Write:

$$H^2 = \frac{8\pi}{3m_4^2} \rho L^2(\rho)$$

$$L(\rho) = 1$$

Standard Friedmann

$$L(\rho) = \sqrt{1 + \frac{\rho}{2\sigma}}; \quad \sigma^{1/4} > 2.0 \text{ MeV}$$

Randall-Sundrum II: co-dimension one brane, embedded in 5D AdS space.

$$L(\rho) = \sqrt{1 - \frac{\rho}{2|\sigma|}}; \quad \sigma < 0$$

Shtanov-Sahni: co-dimension one brane, negative tension embedded in 5D conformally flat Einstein space where signature of 5th dim is timelike

$$L(\rho) = \sqrt{1 + A\rho^n}; \quad n < -1/3$$

Cardassian: only matter present --> late time acceleration. Freese & Lewis

$$L = \frac{1}{\sqrt{B\rho}} \left[\mp 1 + \sqrt{1 + B\rho} \right]; \quad B \equiv \frac{8\pi m_4^2}{3m_5^6}$$

Dvali-Gabadadze-Porrati: 3-brane embedded in flat 5D Minkowski with Ricci scalar term included in brane action. Bulk empty.

DGP model:
$$H^2 \pm \frac{H}{r_0} = \frac{8\pi}{3m_4^2}\rho; \quad r_0 \equiv m_4^2/(2m_5^3)$$

Gravity 4D on short scales, but propagates into bulk on large scales. Induces corrections to Friedmann eqn, characterised by length r_0 .

Two ways of embedding brane in bulk given by \pm

- sign --> self accelerating phase (deS) for any decreasing energy density -- ($w \rightarrow -1$)

+ sign --> Minkowski phase. Brane extrinsically curved so that for $H \sim r_0^{-1}$ gravity screens the effects of the brane energy momentum

Consider our univ (brane) with homogeneous dust and lambda:

$$H^2 + \frac{H}{r_0} = \frac{8\pi}{3m_4^2}\rho_M(t) + \lambda$$

Infer effective dark energy :

$$\frac{8\pi}{3m_4^2}\rho_{DE}^{eff}(t) = \lambda - \frac{H}{r_0}$$

Lue & Starkman

H decreases with time, effective dark energy increases! For DE domination $w_{eff} < -1$ (mimics effect of phantom energy).

As universe evolves, screening term becomes weaker and eff dark energy density appears to increase

Degree of growth modulated by r_0 . As $r_0 \rightarrow \infty$ recover standard Λ CDM.

For any cut off r_0 , $w_{eff} \rightarrow -1$ with time and pure Λ cosmology recovered in future.

Possible concern over entering strong coupling regime for large distances.

Self acceleration branch contains ghost in spectrum for any value of brane tension -- instability

Evolution of Fine Structure Constant

Olive and Pospelov;
Barrow et al; Avelino et al

Non-trivial coupling to emg:

$$\mathcal{L}_m = -\frac{1}{4} B_F(\phi) F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$$

Bekenstein

Expand about current value
of field:

$$B_F(\phi) = 1 + \zeta_F \phi + \frac{1}{2} \xi_F \phi^2$$

Eff fine structure const depends on value of field

$$\alpha(\phi) = \frac{e_0^2}{4\pi B_F(\phi)}$$

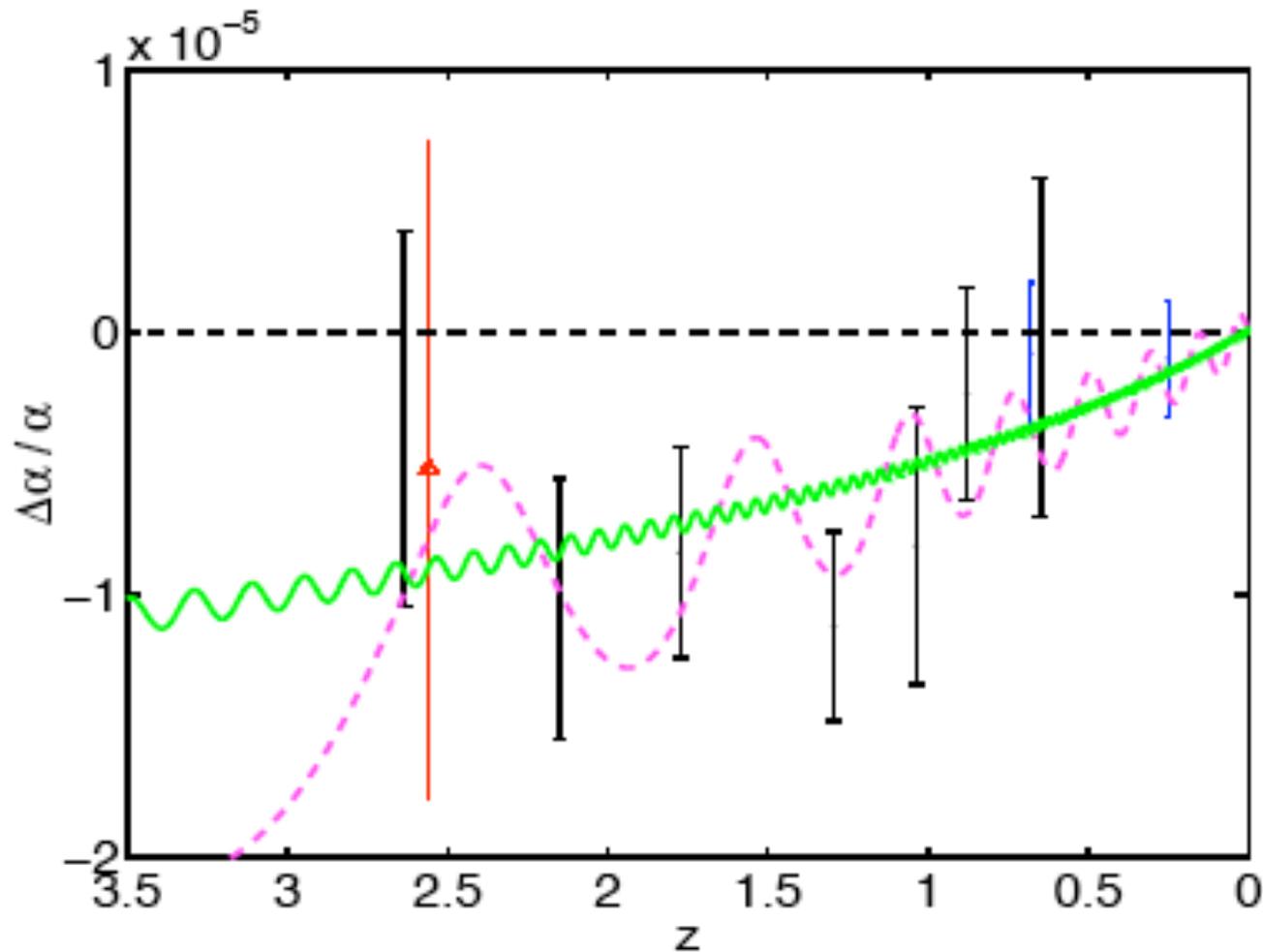
$$\frac{\Delta\alpha}{\alpha} = \zeta_F \phi + \frac{1}{2} (\xi_F - 2\zeta_F^2) \phi^2$$

Claim from analysing
quasar absorption
spectra:

$$\frac{\Delta\alpha}{\alpha} (z = 0.5 - 3.5) \approx 10^{-5}$$

Webb et al

$$V = V_0 e^{-\lambda \kappa \phi}$$



Nunes

$\lambda = 100$ – solid

$\lambda = 10$ – dashed

A way of constraining the eqn of state?

Evidence for dynamical dark energy ?

1. Precision CMB anisotropies – lots of models currently compatible.
2. Combined LSS , SN1a and CMB data – tend to give $w_Q < -0.85 \rightarrow$ best fit remains cosmological constant.
3. Look for more SN1a – SNAP will find over 2000 at large redshift – can then start to constrain eqn of state.
4. Constraining eqn of state with SZ cluster surveys – compute number of clusters for given set of cosm parameters.
5. Baryon Acoustic Oscillations in the LSS as a probe of dark energy.
6. Reconstruct eqn of state from observation – offers hope of method indep of potentials.
7. Look for evidence in variation of fine structure constant.
8. Using Gravitational lensing to constrain w --Dark Energy Survey
9. Sandage Loeb test -- measuring quasar spectra at different redshift between $2 < z < 5$.
[Corasaniti et al 2007]

Dynamical evolution of w ?

Weller and Albrecht; Kujat et al; Maor et al;
Gerke and Efstathiou, Kratochvil et al; ...

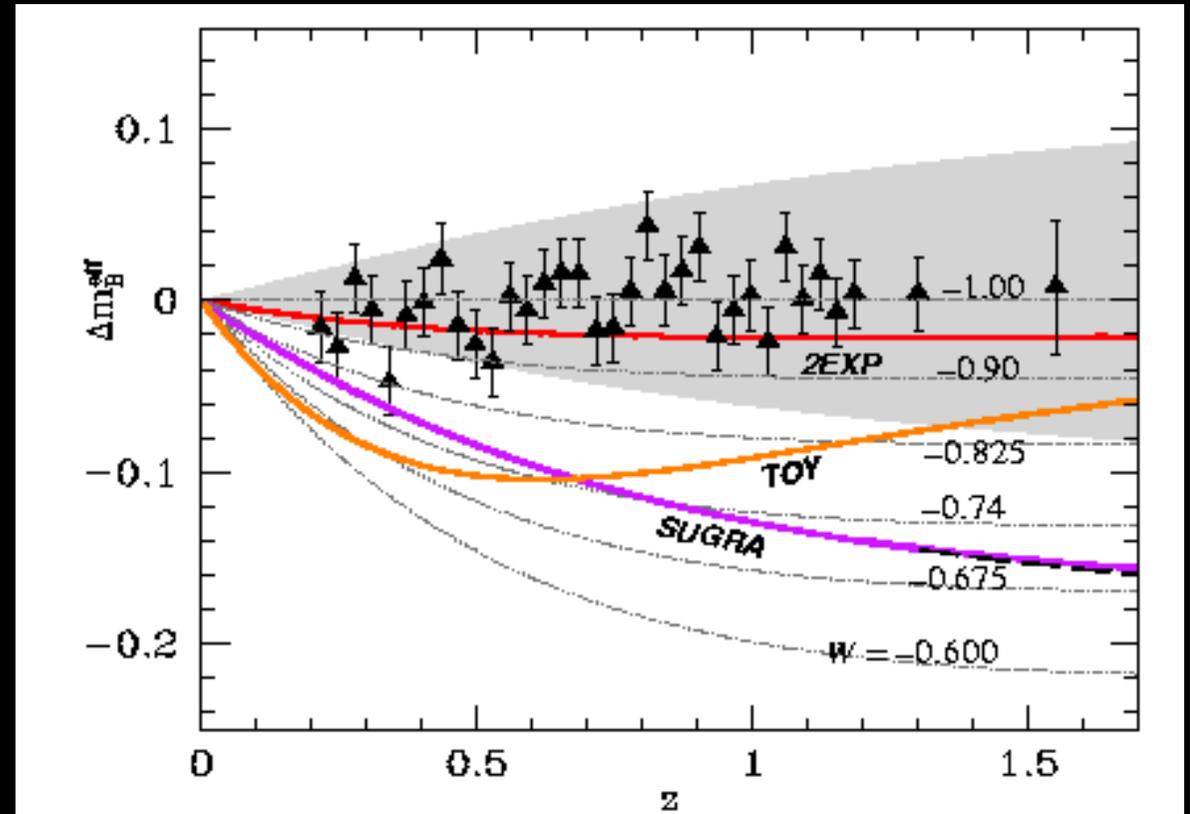
SNAP as a
discriminator

Write:

$$w(z) = \sum_{i=0}^N w_i z^i$$

or:

$$w(z) = \sum_{i=0}^N w_i \ln(1+z)^i$$



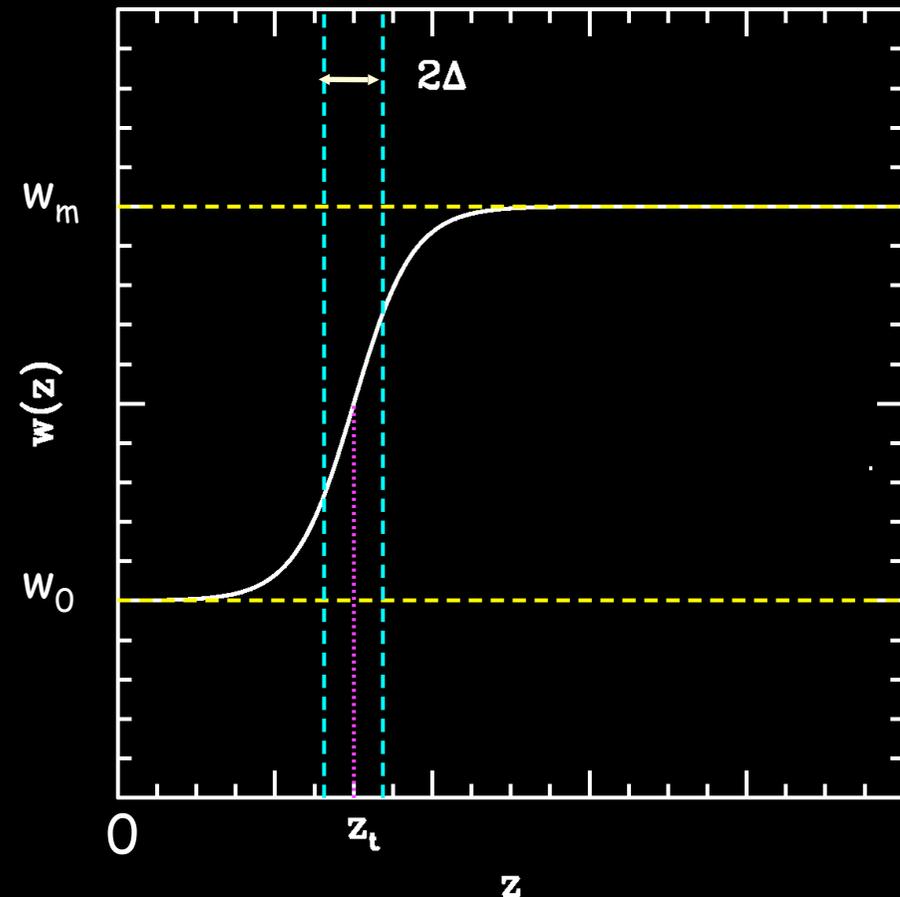
Evaluate magnitude difference for each model and
compare with Monte Carlo simulated data sets.

Modelling quintessence

Impose an equation of state $w(z)$ which captures the essential features of quintessence.

typical expectations:

- recent acceleration
→ $w_0 < -1/3$
- avoid fine tuning the initial energy density
→ $w_m > -1/3$
- there is a **transition** at a given redshift z_+ with a given width Δ .
- Δ corresponds to $w_0 = -1$ and either $w_m = -1$ or $z_+ \gg 1$.



Strategy:

- compute predictions for many models with different parameters (ie H_0 , w_0 , w_m , n_s , t and the normalisation)
- compare with data sets (we use WMAP + SN-Ia)
- derive constraints on parameters (Markov-Chain Monte Carlo code with modified cmbfast)
- draw conclusions about the physical nature of the models.

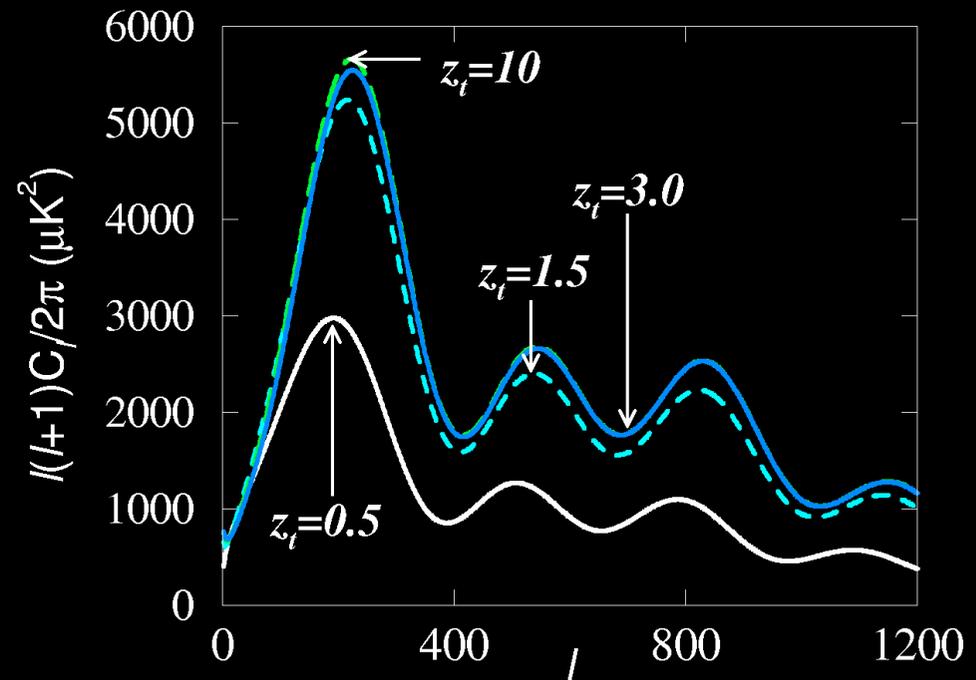
Kunz et al astro-ph/0307346; Corasaniti et al astro-ph/0406608

w(z) impact on the CMB through ISW

$$\left[\frac{\delta T(e)}{T} \right]_{SW} = \frac{1}{3} \Phi(ex_{ls}) + 2 \int_{\tau_{ls}}^{\tau_0} \frac{\partial \Phi(ex, \tau)}{\partial \tau} d\tau$$

rapid transition :

- late onset of expansion changes ISW effect which acts at large l
- peak lower after COBE normalisation



- Cosmic variance makes the effect hard to observe, especially for models with slowly varying equation of state.
- A data set which connects large and small angular scales is crucial for a correct normalisation → WMAP.

cosmological parameters --WMAP1

- limits slightly wider, but no clear difference
- **NO** new degeneracies!

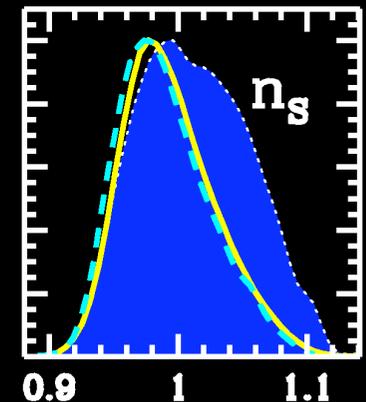
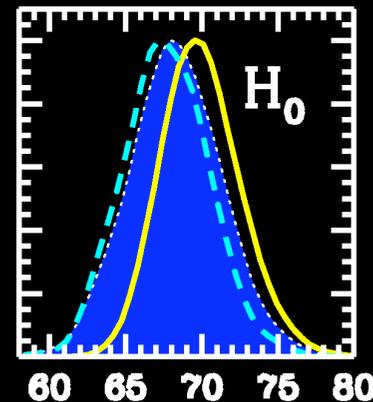
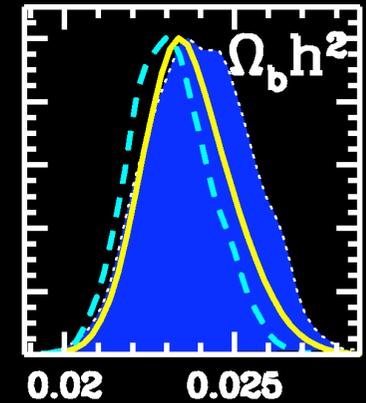
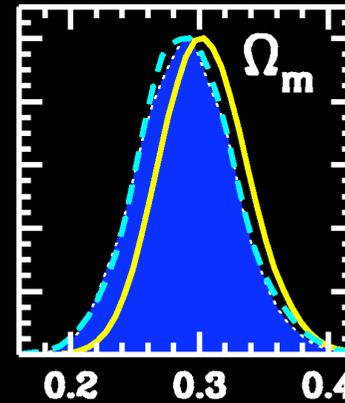
$$\Omega_m = 0.29 \pm 0.04$$

$$\Omega_b h^2 = 0.0240 \pm 0.0015$$

$$H_0 = 68 \pm 3$$

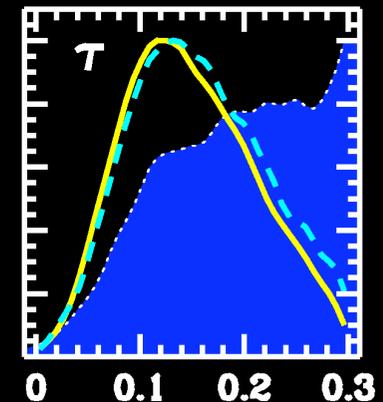
$$n_s = 1.01 \pm 0.04$$

$$\tau = 0.19 \pm 0.07$$



quintessence
with Ω_b prior

pure Λ CDM



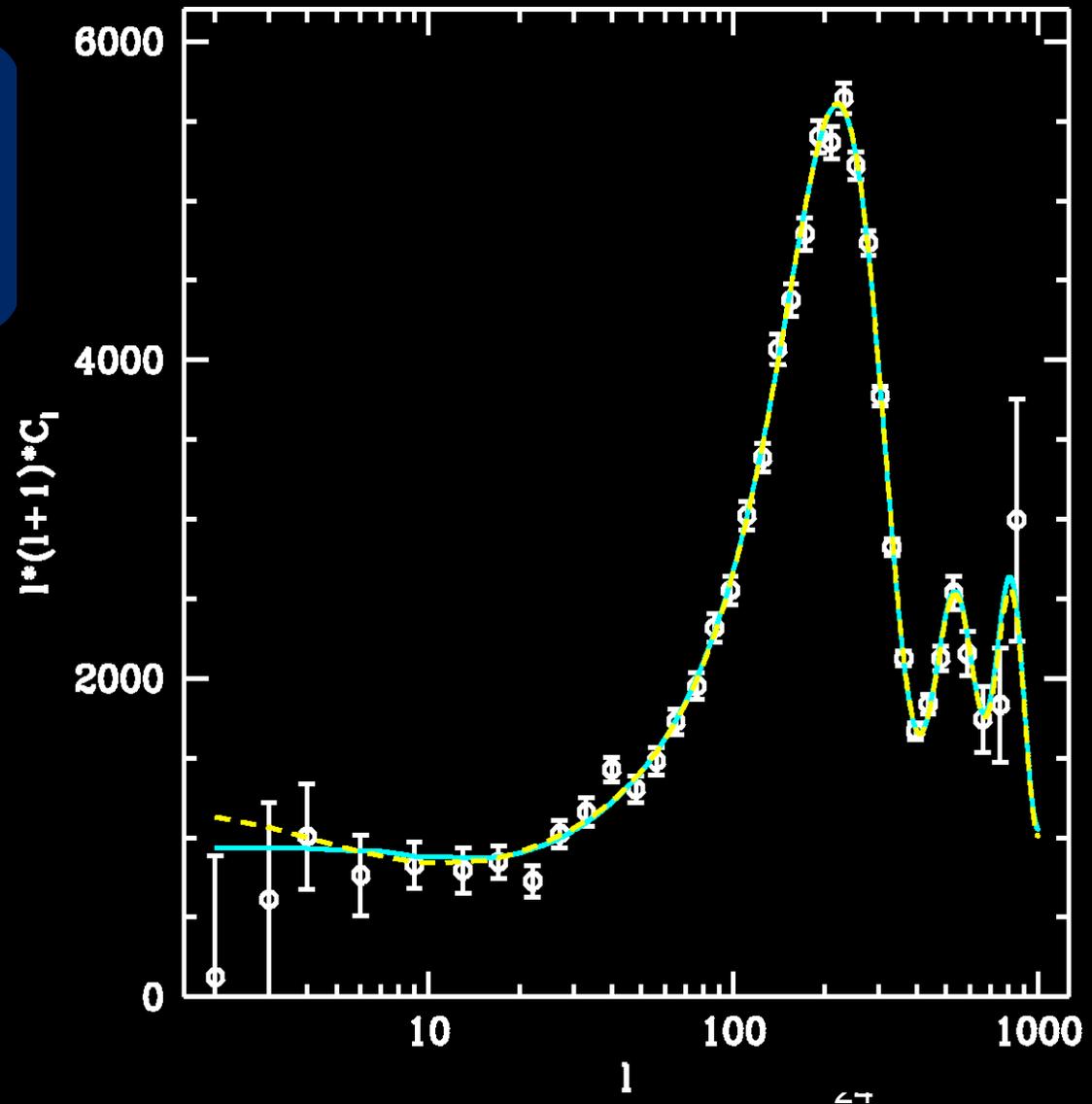
dark energy parameters

$w_0 < -0.80$ at 95% CL
 $z_t > 0.6$ (fast transitions)

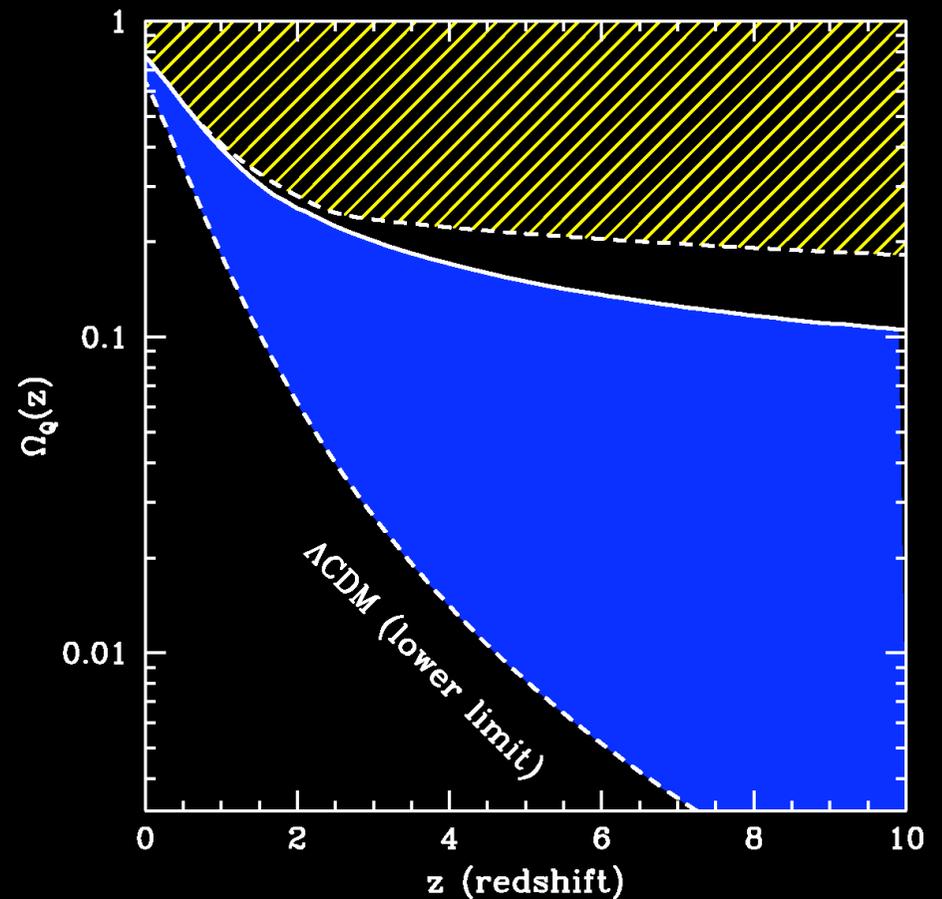
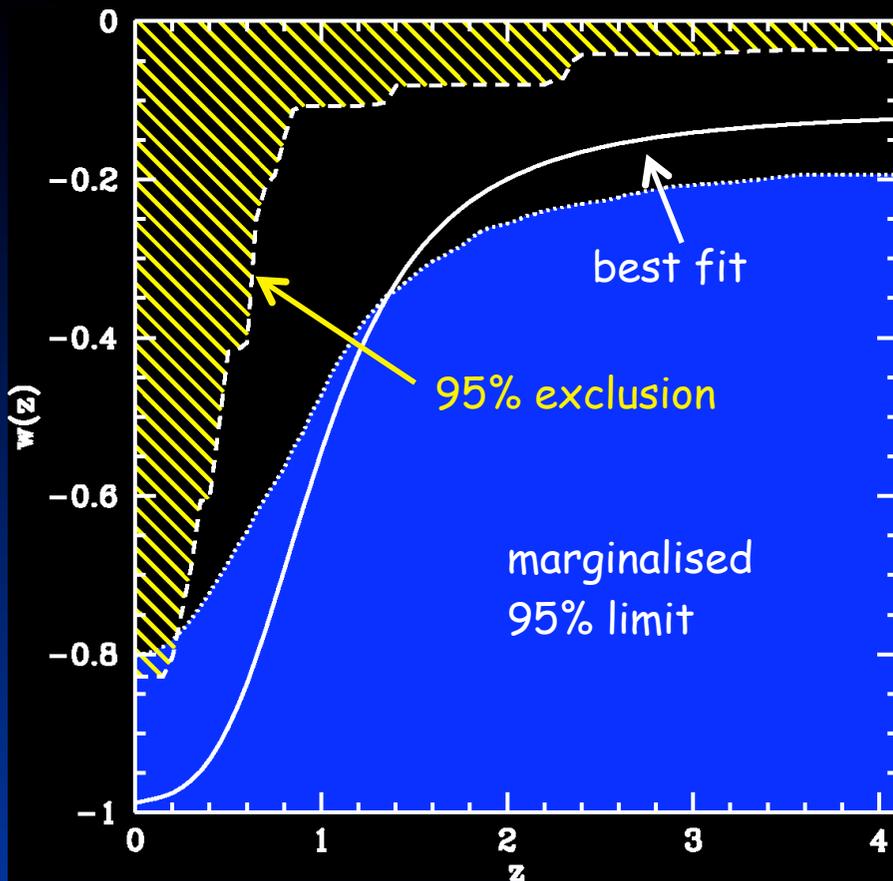
best-fit quintessence model:

- $w_0 = -1$
- $w_m = -0.13$
- $a_t = 0.5$ ($z_t = 1$)
- effective $\chi^2 = 1603$

best Λ CDM : $\chi^2 = 1606$



time behaviour of the DE



- really strong constraints on w only for $z < 0.2$

Determining the best way to test for dark energy and parameterise the dark energy equation of state is a difficult task, not least given the number of approaches that exist to modelling it.

It deserves a lecture on its own, but Sabino wouldn't let me have a fifth lecture even though I pleaded with him.

Instead you will have to make do with the thorough review competed by Rocky and his colleagues making up the Dark Energy Task Force.

Albrecht et al : [astro-ph/0609591](https://arxiv.org/abs/astro-ph/0609591)

Then the findings on the search for the best figure of merit:

Albrecht et al: [arXiv:0901.0721](https://arxiv.org/abs/0901.0721)

Summary

- Observations transforming field, especially CMBR and LSS. -- everything consistent with a pure cosmological constant.
- Why is the universe inflating today?
- Is $w=-1$, the cosmological constant? If not, then what value has it?
- Is $w(z)$ -- dynamical?
- New Gravitational Physics -- perhaps modifying Friedmann equation on large scales?
- Lots of models of dark energy but may yet prove too difficult to separate one from another such as cosmological const – need to try though!
- Perhaps we will only be able to determine it from anthropic arguments and not from fundamental theory.
- or -- could we be wrong and we do not need a lambda term?