

# One wave to rule (out) them all? On how GW astronomy is challenging scalar DE



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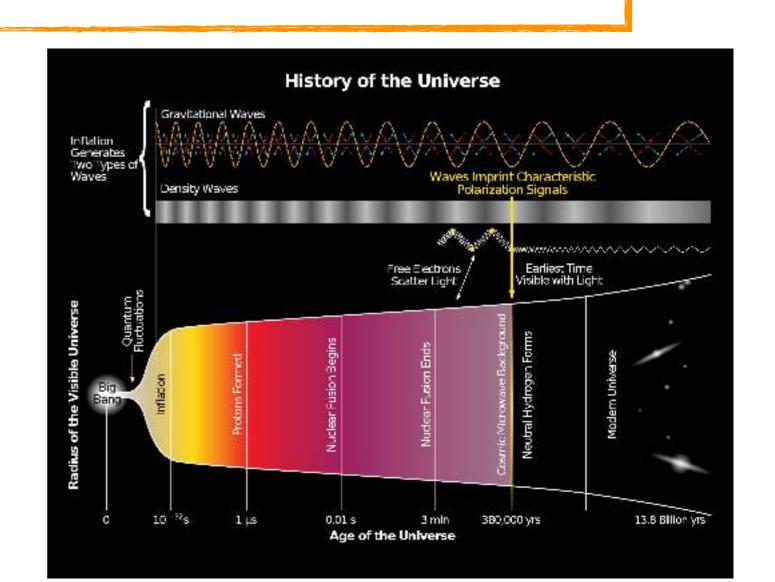
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## Introduction

- Modern cosmology is living a golden age
- Universe evolution well encompassed by ΛCDM model

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- In agreement with observations on a very broad range of scales
- BBN, CMB, LSS,
   Solar System, ...



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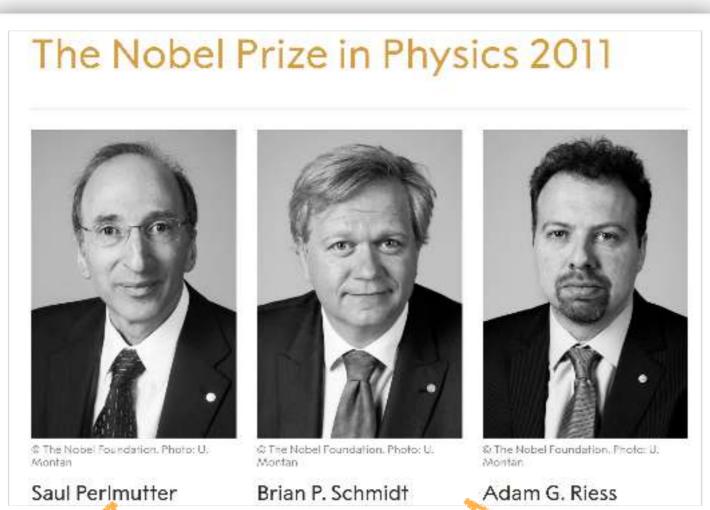
 However, this success is also a curse: ΛCDM is an effective description that is not showing much of its fundamental nature.

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- So far DM has been elusive despite all the experimental and theoretical efforts. Neither direct nor indirect detection so far.
- The Cosmological Constant is still a theoretical puzzle

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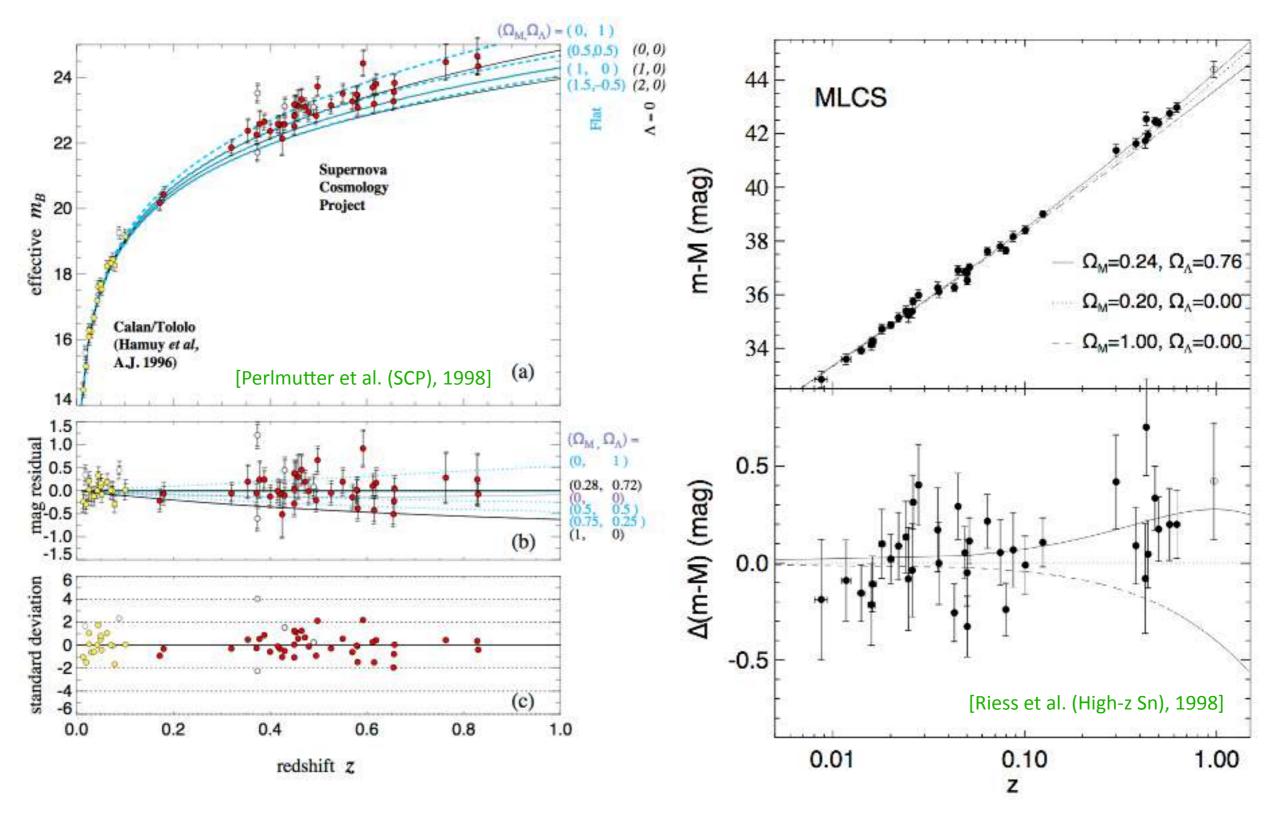


"The data are strongly inconsistent with a  $\Lambda$ = 0 flat cosmology, the simplest inflationary universe model. An open,  $\Lambda$ = 0 cosmology also does not fit the data well: the data indicate that the cosmological constant is non-zero and positive"

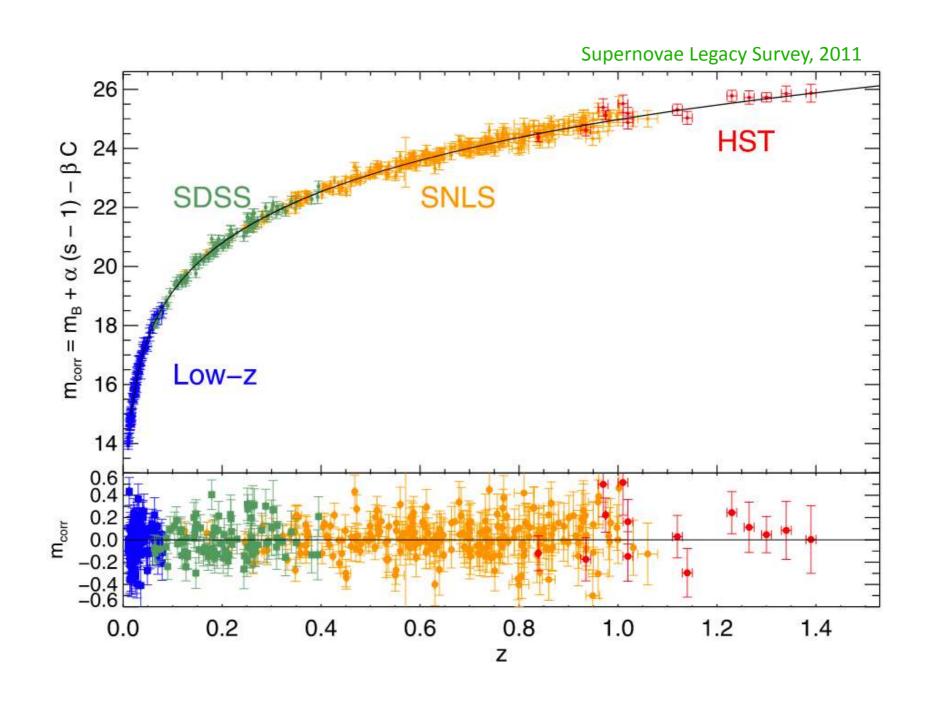
"For a flat universe prior the spectroscopically confirmed SNe Ia require  $\Omega \land > 0$  at  $7\sigma$  and  $9\sigma$  [...]. A universe closed by ordinary matter is formally ruled out"

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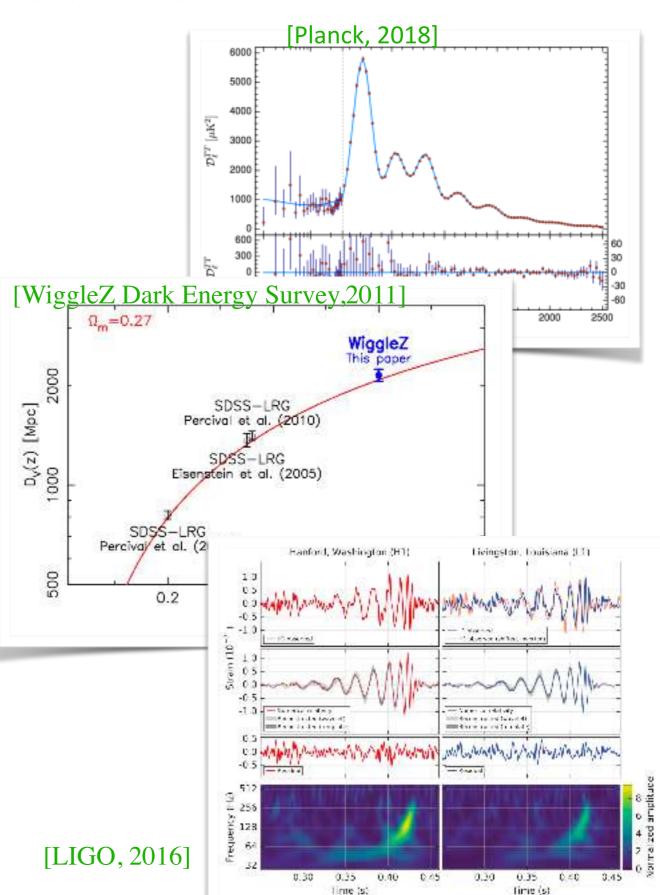
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- weak lensing
- Clusters

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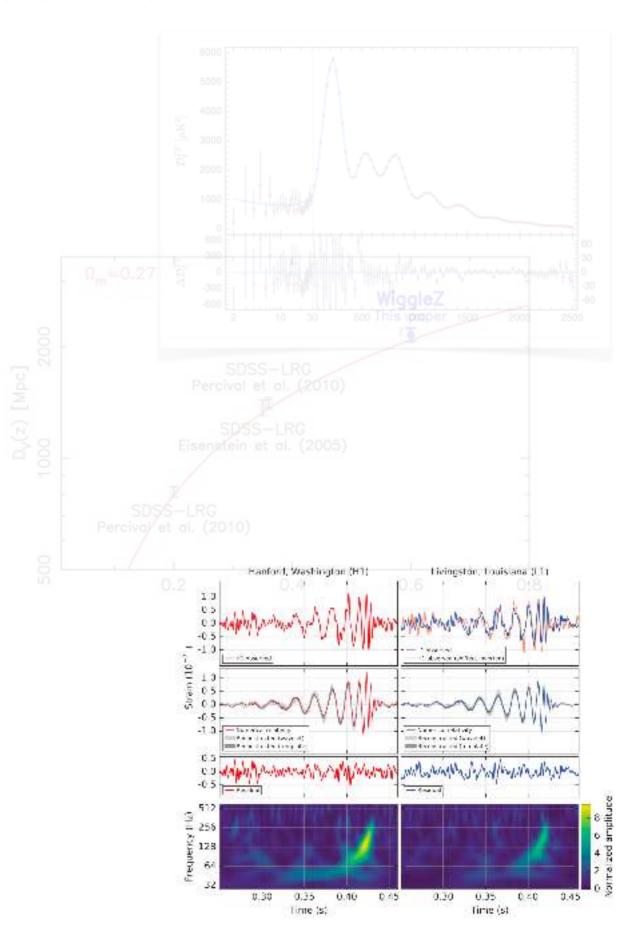
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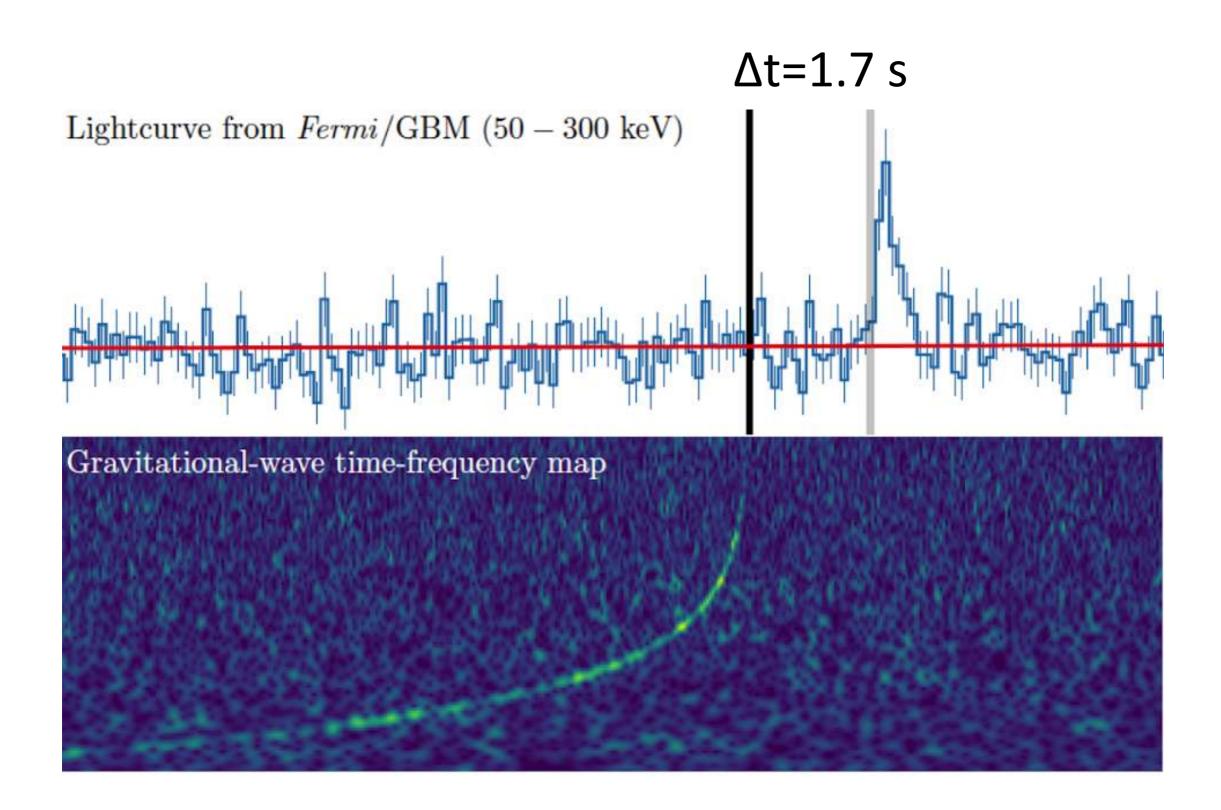
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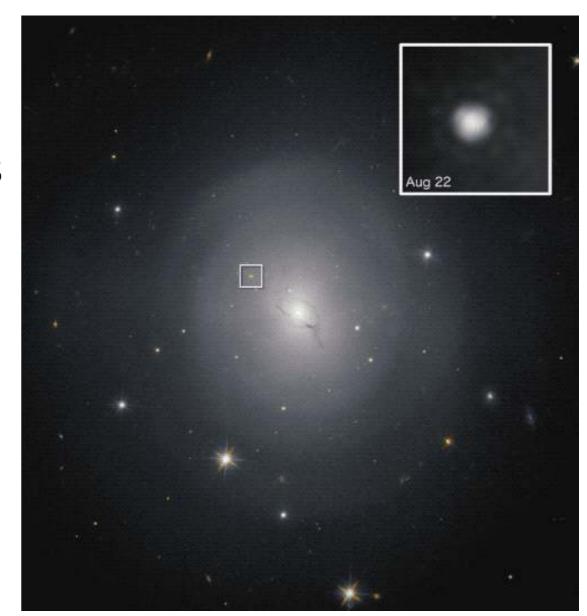
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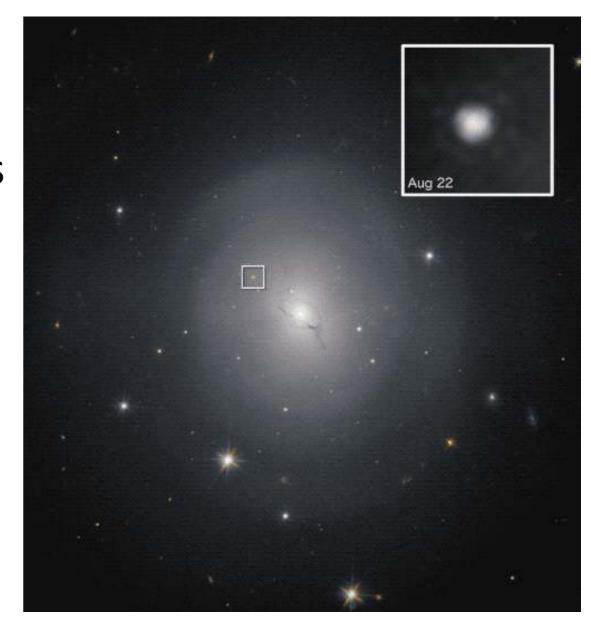


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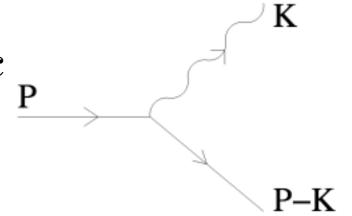
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## Previous constraints

•Cherenkov radiation  $\,c-c_{\mathrm{gw}} < 2 imes 10^{-15}c\,$ 

[Moore & Nelson et al., 2001]

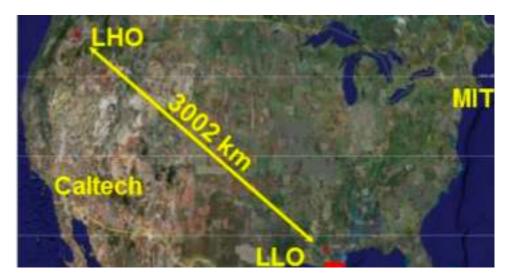


•Binary pulsars  $0.995 \lesssim c/c_{gw} \lesssim 1$ 

[Jiménez et al., 2015]

Time delay between LIGO detectors

[Cornish et al., 2017] 
$$0.55c < c_{
m gw} < 1.42c$$



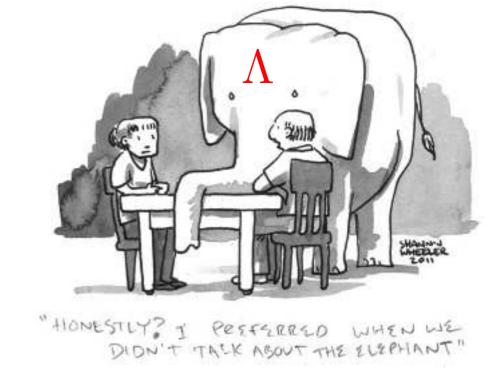
**Caveat**: these constraints are either in the high frequency regime or in regions where screening is occurring or indirect.

## Cosmological constant

We have a successful candidate

$$G_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi G T_{\mu\nu}^{(m)} - \Lambda g_{\mu\nu}$$

For which  $\,c_T=c\,.$  So, why bother?



Λ is know to suffer from several issues. It is a measure of our ignorance on gravity!

[Martin, 2012]

- Value is at odds with quantum (vacuum fluctuations)  $\Lambda \sim 10^{-29} g/cm^3$  and classic (phase transitions) expectations  $\Lambda \sim 10^{-43} GeV^4$
- ullet Coincidence problem  $\Omega_{\Lambda}^0 \sim \Omega_m^0$

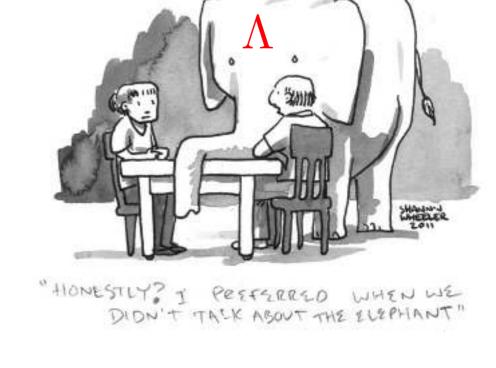
# Beyond $\Lambda$

But can be something that is not lambda?

We do not solve  $\Lambda$  problems but we adventure beyond GR boundaries

#### However, Lovelock theorem:

- One metric
- Diffeomorphism invariance
- 4 dimensions
- local theory
- Second order equation



GR

[Lovelock, 1971]

## From GR to scalar-tensor theories

- Extra "matter" fields
- Non local theories
- Higher derivatives
- Breaking symmetries

Scalar, Vector, Tensor fields (Includes also. f(R))

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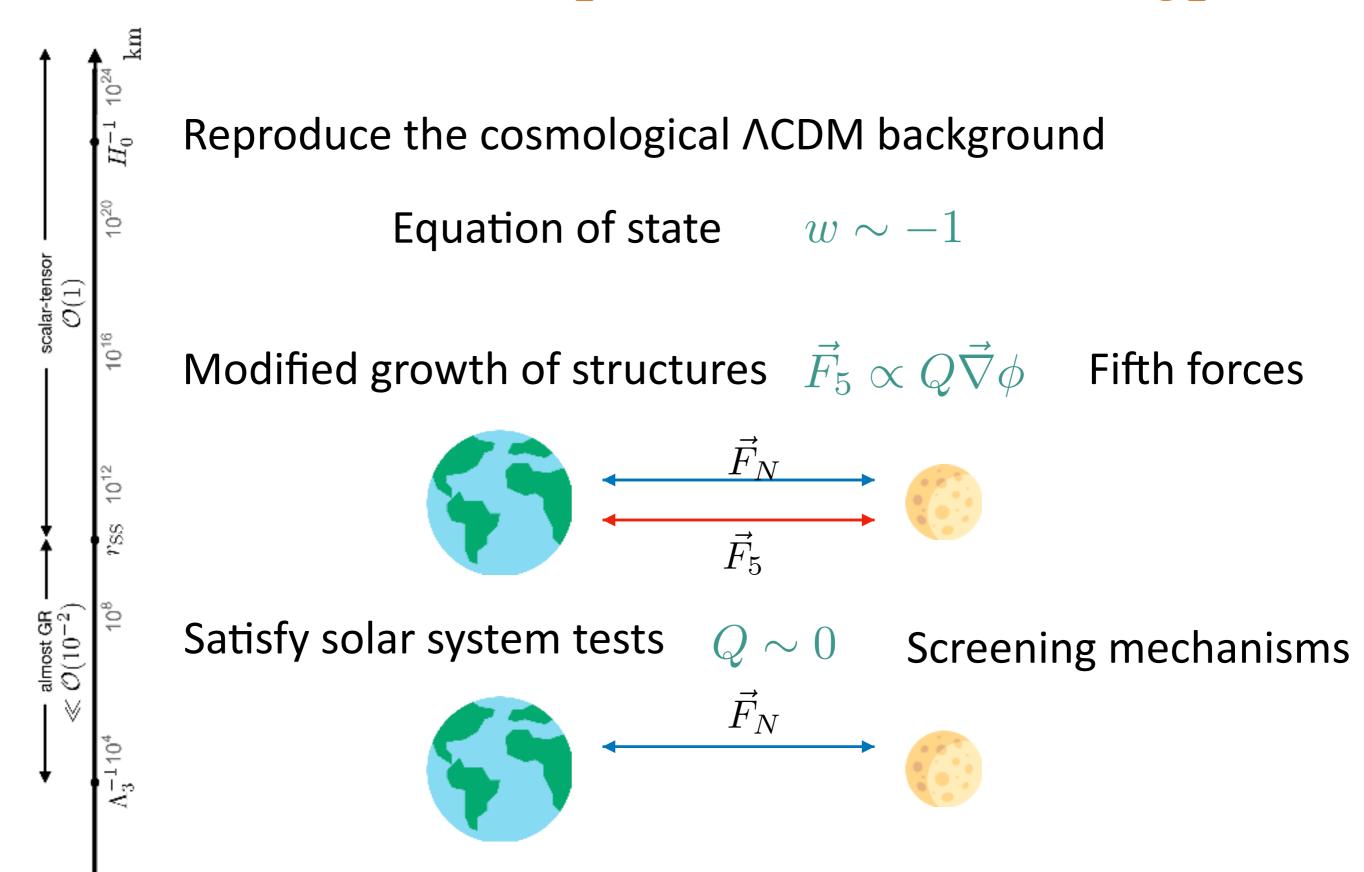
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## From solar system to cosmology



#### From GR to scalar-tensor theories

Not all possible interactions are viable:

Lagrangians with more than one time derivative induce linear instabilities in the Hamiltonian [Ostrograski (1850)]

But there is a loophole in the argument:

Horndeski theorem!

[Horndeski (1974)]

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$$\mathcal{L}_{5} = G_{5}(\phi, X)G_{\mu\nu}\nabla^{\mu}\nabla^{\nu}\phi + \frac{G_{5,X}}{6}\left[(\Box\phi)^{3} - 3\Box\phi(\nabla_{\mu}\nabla_{\nu}\phi)^{2} + 2(\nabla_{\mu}\nabla_{\nu}\phi)^{3}\right]$$

# Horndeski, beyond Horndeski and beyond beyond Horndeski: DHOST theories

#### Degenerate theories:

The **degeneracy** of the Lagrangian is the most fundamental starting point in order to build theories that do not propagate extra d.o.f. but contains accelerations

## Beyond Horndeski

Using this criteria more general theories have been found that do not propagate any unwanted extra d.o.f.:

**DHOST** theories

[Crisostomi, Koyama, Langlois, Noui, Gao and more (2013-2018)]

Other, analogous approach is EFT for DE

[Senatore, Luty, Creminelli, Vernizzi, Piazza, Gubitosi, Raveri and more (2013-2018)]

## Why these complicated models?

Horndeski action from limit of more fundamental theories

Decoupling limit of massive gravity

$$g_{\mu\nu} \supset \partial_{\mu}\partial_{\nu}\phi$$

[De Rham, Gabadadze, Tolley (2010)

Extra dimensions, DGP



Gravitons interact with scalars via  $\partial_{\mu}\partial_{\nu}\phi$ 

## Horndeski predicts anomalous propagation of GW

#### Derivative couplings and GW speed

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HL 
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#### Derivative couplings and GW speed

Expand effective metric using a time-like scalar field derivative

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \left[ G - G'\dot{\phi}^2 \right) \left( \dot{h}_{ij}^{TT} \right)^2 - G \left( \vec{\nabla} h_{ij}^{TT} \right)^2 \right\}$$

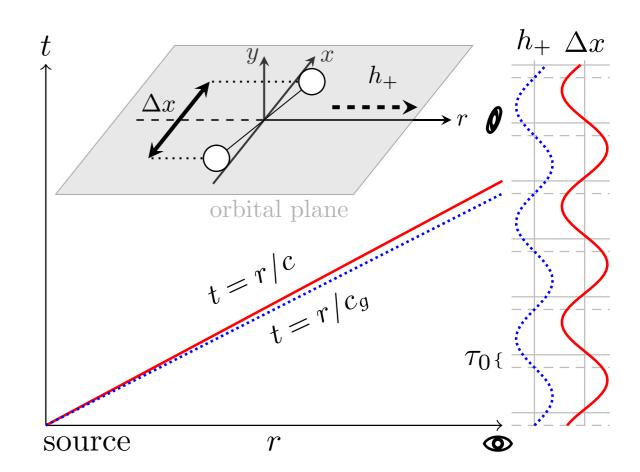
From which one can read the speed of GW

$$c_T^2 = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{G'}{G}\dot{\phi}^2}$$

## Phase lag test

Test with eclipsing binaries: LISA  $\sim 10^{-4} - 10^{-1} \mathrm{Hz}$ 

- Nearby sources
- EM cunterpart
- Periodic sources of GW & EM
- Test the phase lag:



$$\Delta\Phi(t) = 2\omega \frac{r(t)}{c} \left(\frac{c}{c_{qw}} - 1\right)$$

[DB, Ezquiaga, Hinterbichler, Zumalacarregui(2016)]

Horndeski action and GW (On FLRW background)

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[De Felice & Tsujikawa, 2011]

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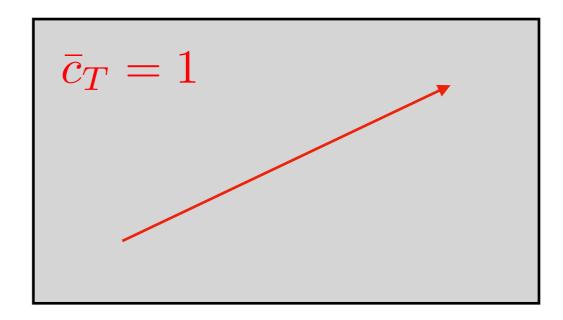
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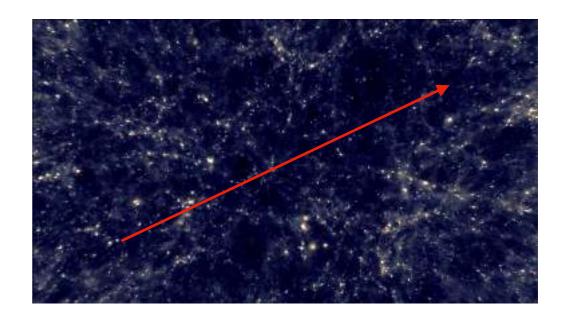
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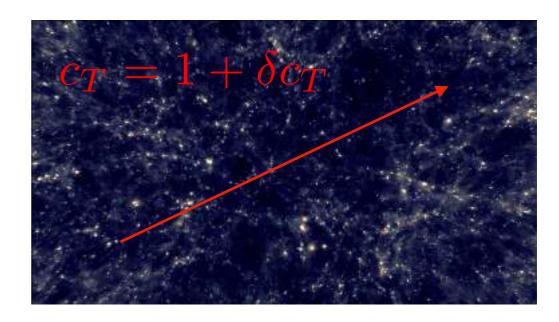
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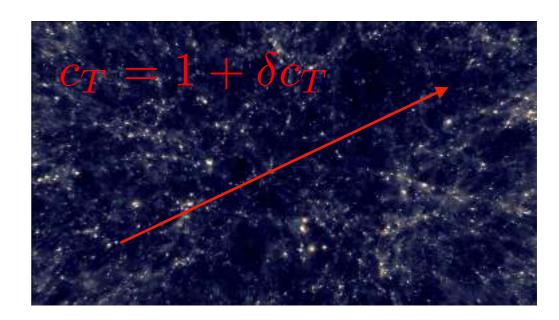
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- •Go to DHOST: admit  $c_T=1$  exactly, but suffer at small scales [Langlois et al., 2017]
- Dynamical mechanism for which  $c_T=1$  is an attractor

# Doppelgänger Dark Energy

## Compatibility with GW

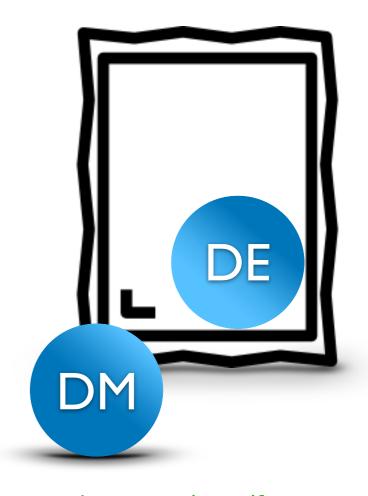
•Look for a dynamical tuning: relax to  $c_T=1\,$  today but not in the past in a non trivial Horndeski scenario

## Scaling solution

Assume that DM and DE look alike

$$\rho_{DE} = c\rho_{DM}$$

DM-DE interaction is needed



# DDE recipe

- Impose scaling
- Look for solutions
- Check that these are attractor
- Stability & consistency checks
- •Impose the GW constraint

$$\rho_{DE} = c\rho_{DM}$$

$$\rho_{DE} = \rho_{DE}(G_i)$$

$$c_s^2 > 0 \,, \quad c_{gw}^2 > 0$$

$$c_{gw}|_{DDE} = 1$$

#### DM-DE interaction

$$\frac{d\rho_{DM}}{dt} + 3H\rho_{DM} = Q(\phi)\frac{d\phi}{dt}\rho_{DM} \qquad \frac{d\rho_{\phi}}{dt} + 3H(1+w_{\phi})\rho_{\phi} = -Q(\phi)\frac{d\phi}{dt}\rho_{DM}$$

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Baryons are now coupled but since they are subdominant we neglect them... (for the moment!)

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- •Uncoupled DM behaves as a pressure less fluid  $ho_{DM} \propto a^{-3}$
- •DDE condition  $ho_{\phi} \propto 
  ho_{DM} \propto a^{-3}$
- Friedmann equations Impose scaling

$$6H^2G_4 = \rho_{\phi} + \rho_{DM}$$
  $\frac{d\ln \rho_{\phi}}{dN} = \frac{d\ln \rho_{DM}}{dN} = -3$ 

Need to solve

$$\frac{d\ln G_4}{dN} = \frac{d\ln G_4}{d\phi} \frac{d\ln \phi}{dN} + \frac{d\ln G_4}{dX} \frac{d\ln X}{dN} = 3w_{eff}$$

# Doppelgänger Dark Energy

ullet Solving and knowing the functional dependence  $ho_\phi(G_i)$ 

$$G_2(\phi, X) = \phi^{p_2} a_2(Y)$$
 ,  $G_3(\phi, X) = \phi^{p_3} a_3(Y)$   
 $G_4(\phi, X) = \phi^{p_4} a_4(Y)$  ,  $G_5(\phi, X) = \phi^{p_5} a_5(Y)$   
 $Y = X\phi^p$  ,  $p = p_4 - p_2 - 2$  ,  $p_3 = p_4 - 1$  ,  $p_5 = 2p_4 - p_2 - 1$ 

- Y is constant on (DDE) scaling solution
- The most general solutions of DDE in the Horndeski Lagrangian that greatly extends previous results

# Doppelänger Dark Energy

Compute the speed of tensor

$$c_T^2 = \frac{a_4 - p_5 Y a_5}{a_4 - 2Y a_{4,Y} + p_5 Y a_5 - (6 + p_2 - 3p_4) Y^2 a_{5,Y}}$$

•Instead of arbitrarily tuning the coefficients to satisfy the constraint we exploit the attractor nature of the DDE solution i.e. we require:

$$a_{4,Y}|_s = 0 = a_{5,Y}|_s$$
 &  $a_5 = 0$  or  $p_5 = 0$ 

- On the scaling solution the Horndeski functions are in a minimum
- Out of the scaling (i.e. in the past) GW speed can be different than 1

## Effect of baryons

In general baryons will tend to bring out of scaling solution

$$\delta c_T^2 = \frac{\delta Y^{n-1}}{Y_s^{n-1}} \frac{2Y_s^n a_{4,Y^n}|_s}{a_4|_s}$$

• Horndeski function must have a minimum, e.g.

$$a_4(Y) = \frac{M_{pl}^2}{2} \left( 1 + c_4 \left( 1 - \frac{Y}{Y_s} \right)^n \right)$$

From this we get how many derivatives must vanish

$$\delta c_T^2 \approx -n \, 10^{-n+1} c_4 < 10^{-15}$$

•In order not to be affected by baryons n>16!

## Conclusions

### GW 170817 and GRB strongly constrained Horndeski action.

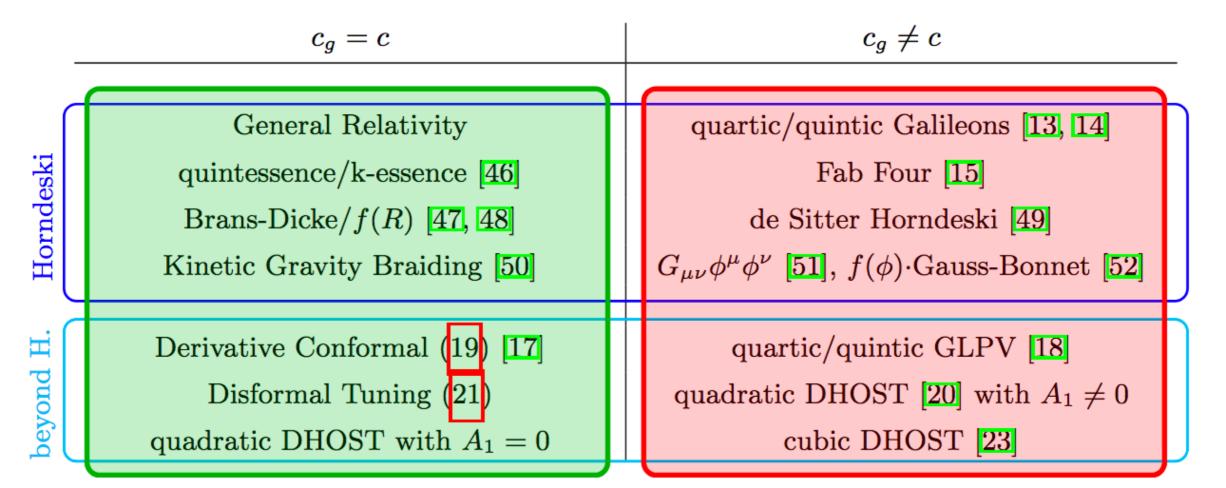
Reduced theory space

$$G_4(\phi, X) = f(\phi), \quad G_5(\phi, X) = 0, \quad G_2(\phi, X), \quad G_3(\phi, X)$$

• Affects also large scales:

$$c_{gw} = 1 \Rightarrow \eta \equiv -\frac{\Phi}{\Psi} = 1$$

[Amendola et al.,2017]



Viable after GW170817

Non-viable after GW170817 [Ezquiaga & Zumalacarregui,2017]

## Conclusions

#### However:

- Attractor solutions with  $c_{gw}(z=0.008)=1$  but free in the past can be found albeit with tuning
- ullet The parameter space is still very rich: Yukawa couplings, screening,  $G_N^{eff}$
- Caveat? GW produced very close to the cut-off scale of the EFT (wait for LISA?)
- Constraint only apply to visible sector. **DM-DE (derivative) couplings**
- Is there a **symmetry** protecting the speed of GW?

#### Conclusions

