

Constraints on the deviations from general relativity

From local to cosmological scales

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GR in a nutshell

Underlying hypothesis

Equivalence principle

- Universality of free fall
- Local lorentz invariance
- Local position invariance

$$S_{matter}(\psi, g_{\mu\nu})$$

Dynamics

$$S_{grav} = \frac{c^3}{16\pi G} \int \sqrt{-g_*} R_* d^4x$$

Relativity

$$g_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu}^*$$

Equivalence principle and test particles

Action of a test mass:

$$S = - \int mc \sqrt{-g_{\mu\nu} v^\mu v^\nu} dt \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{aligned} v^\mu &= dx^\mu / dt \\ u^\mu &= dx^\mu / d\tau \end{aligned}$$

$$\delta S = 0$$

$$a^\mu \equiv u^\nu \nabla_\nu u^\mu = 0 \quad \text{(geodesic)}$$

$$g_{00} = -1 + 2\Phi_N / c^2 \quad \text{(Newtonian limit)}$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbf{a} = -\nabla\Phi_N = \mathbf{g}_N$$

Solar system

Metric theories are usually tested in the PPN formalism

$$ds^2 = (-1 + 2U + 2(\beta - \gamma)U^2)dt^2 + (1 + 2\gamma U)dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2$$

Light deflection

$$\Delta\theta = 2(1 + \gamma)\frac{GM}{bc^2}$$

Perihelion shift of Mercury

$$\Delta\varphi = \frac{2\pi GM}{a(1-e^2)}(2 + 2\gamma - \beta)$$

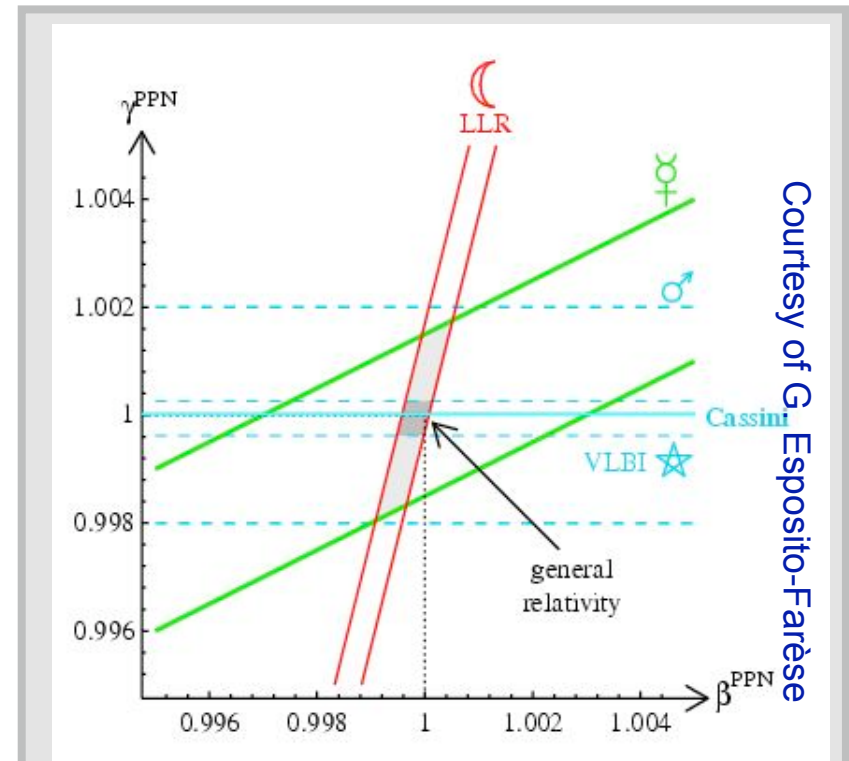
Nordtvedt effect

$$\delta r \sim 13.1(4\beta - \gamma - 3) \cos(\omega_0 - \omega_s)t \quad (\text{m})$$

Shapiro time delay

$$\delta t \propto (1 + \gamma)$$

[Will, Liv. Rev. Relat. 2006-3]



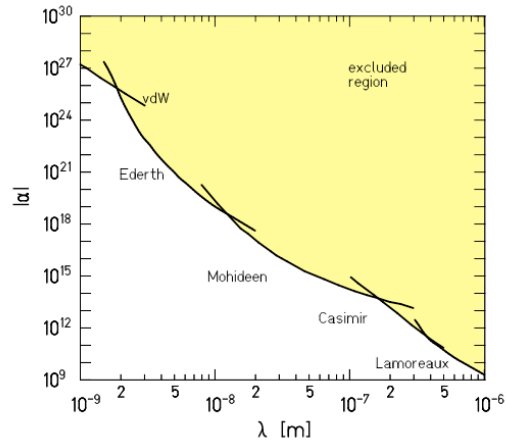
$$\gamma - 1 = (2.1 \pm 2.3) \times 10^{-5}$$

$$|2\gamma - \beta - 1| < 3 \times 10^{-3}$$

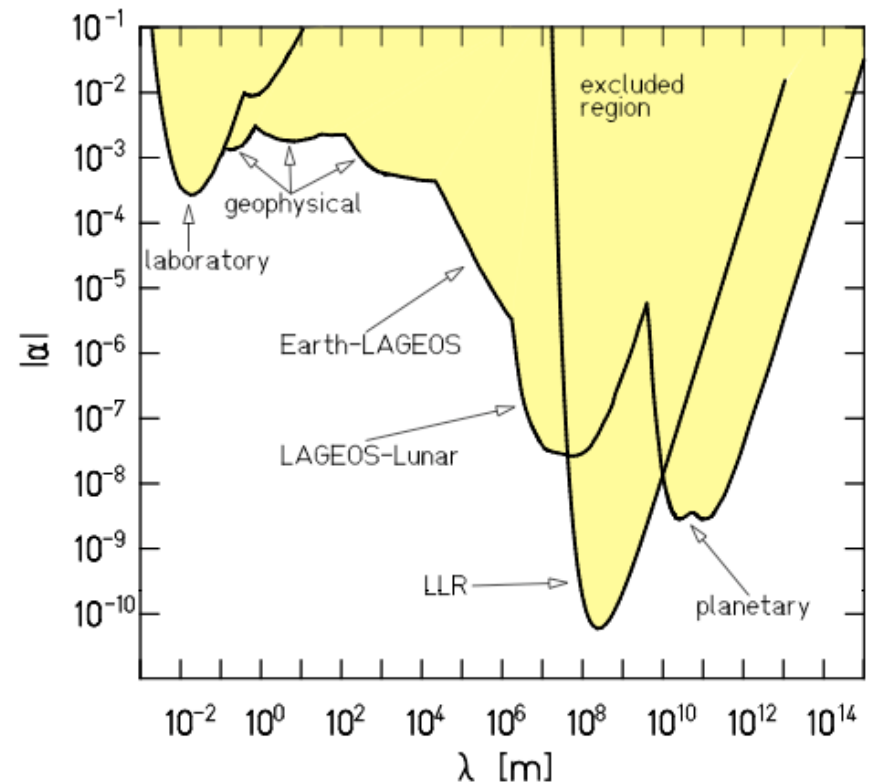
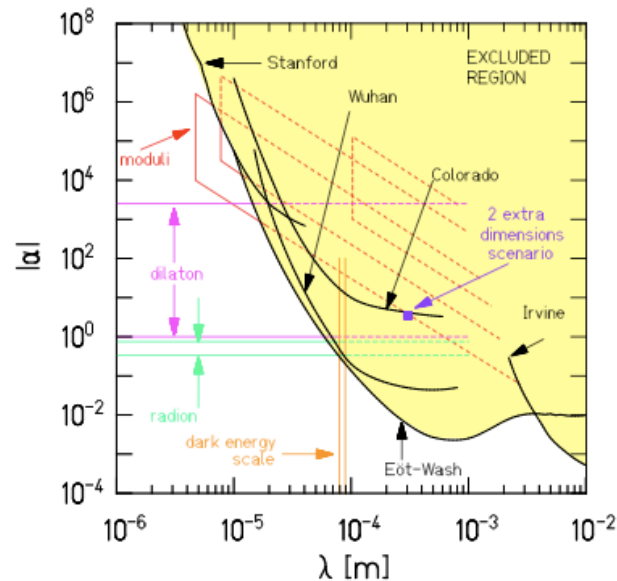
Fifth force

The PPN formalism cannot be applied if the modification of General relativity has a range smaller than the Solar system scale.

Fifth force experiments



Adelberger et al., *Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci.*, 53 77 (2003)
 Adelberger et al., *Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys* 62, 102 (2009)



Parameter space

Tests of general relativity on astrophysical scales are needed

- galaxy rotation curves: low acceleration
- acceleration: low curvature

Solar system:

$$\frac{R}{\phi^3} = \frac{c^4}{G^2 M_{\odot}^2}$$

Cosmology:

$$R = 3H_0^2 \{ \Omega_m (1+z)^3 + 4\Omega_{\Lambda} \}$$

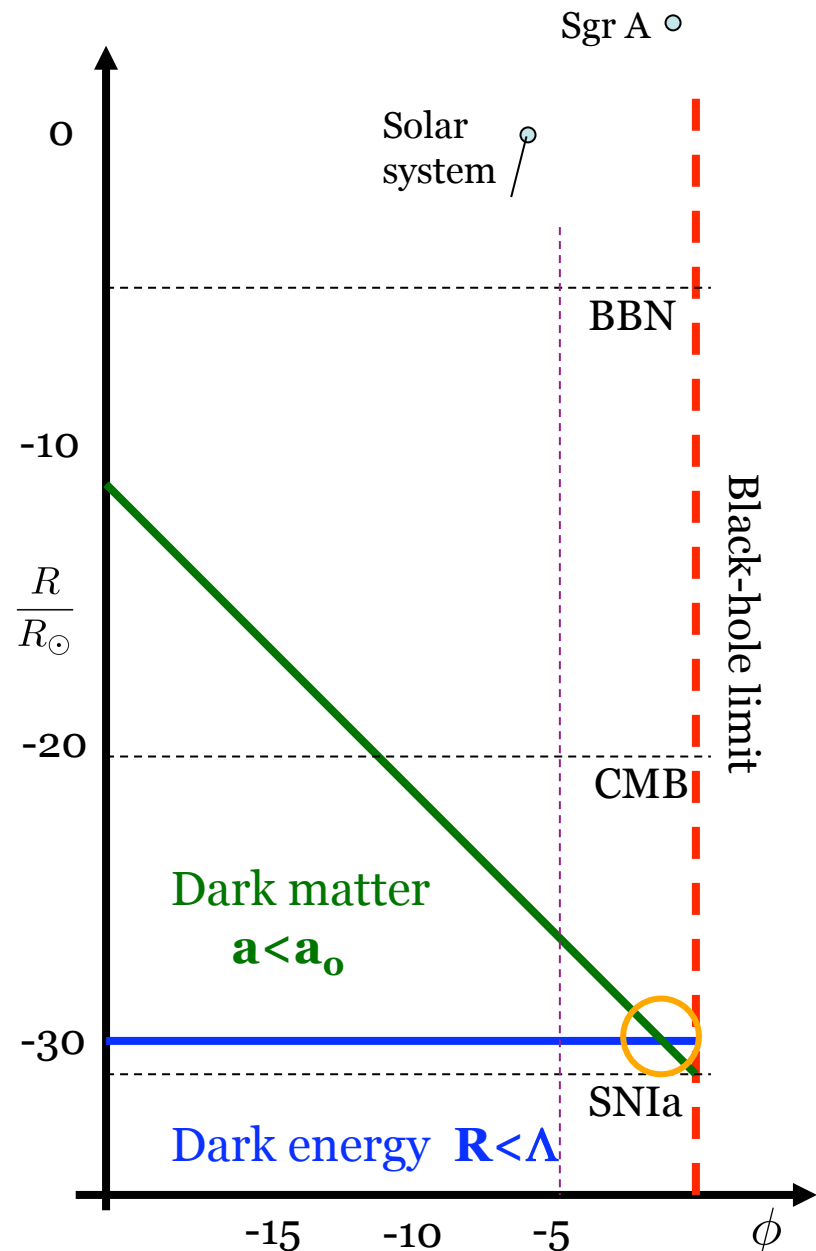
Dark energy:

$$R < R_{\Lambda} = 12H_0^2 \Omega_{\Lambda}$$

Dark matter:

$$a < a_0 \sim 10^{-8} \text{ cm.s}^{-2}$$

$$a^2 = \phi R < a_0^2 \quad [\text{Psaltis, 0806.1531}]$$



Some theoretical insights
in
modifying general relativity

Modifying GR

The number of modifications are numerous.

I restrict to field theory.

We can require the following constraints:

- Well defined **mathematically**
full Hamiltonian should be bounded by below
 - no ghost ($E_{kinetic} > 0$)
 - no tachyon ($m^2 > 0$)*Cauchy problem well-posed*
- In agreement with existing **experimental** data
Solar system & binary pulsar tests
Lensing by « dark matter » - rotation curve
Large scale structure – CMB – BBN - ...
- Not pure fit of the data!

Example: higher-order gravity...

At quadratic order

$$S_g = \frac{c^3}{16\pi G} \int (R + \alpha C_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}^2 + \beta R^2 + \gamma GB) \sqrt{-g} d^4x$$

- $GB = R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}^2 - 4R_{\mu\nu}^2 + R^2$ does not contribute to the field eqs.
- $\alpha C_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}^2$ theory contains a ghost [Stelle, PRD16 (1977) 953]

$$\frac{1}{p^2 + \alpha p^4} = \frac{1}{p^2} \overset{\ominus}{-} \frac{1}{p^2 + \alpha^{-1}}$$

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massless graviton

carries negative energy
 $\alpha < 0$: it is also a tachyon.

- βR^2 equivalent to positive energy massive scalar d.o.f

...and beyond

These considerations can be extended to $f(R, R_{\mu\nu}, R_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta})$

[Hindawi et al., PRD**53** (1996) 5597]

Generically contains massive spin-2 ghosts but for $f(R)$

These models involve higher-order terms of the variables.

the Hamiltonian is then generically non-bounded by below

[Ostrogradsky, 1850]

[Woodard, 0601672]

Argument does not apply for an infinite number of derivative
non-local theories may avoid these arguments

Only allowed models of this class are $f(R)$, i.e scalar-tensor theories.

Scalar-tensor theories

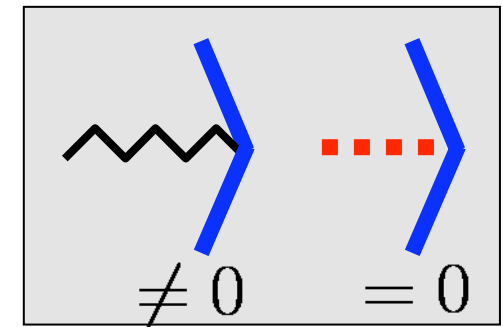
$$S = \frac{c^3}{16\pi G} \int \sqrt{-g} \{ R - 2(\partial_\mu \phi)^2 - V(\phi) \} + S_m \{ \text{matter}, \tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = A^2(\phi) g_{\mu\nu} \}$$

Maxwell electromagnetism is conformally invariant in $d=4$

$$\begin{aligned} S_{em} &= \frac{1}{4} \int \sqrt{-\tilde{g}} \tilde{g}^{ab} \tilde{g}^{cd} F_{ac} F_{bd} d^d x \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \int \sqrt{-g} g^{ab} g^{cd} F_{ac} F_{bd} A^{d-4}(\phi) d^d x \end{aligned}$$

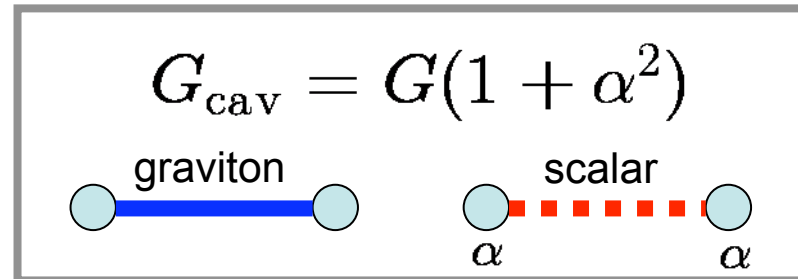
Light deflection is given as in GR

$$\delta\theta = \frac{4GM}{bc^2}$$



What is the difference?

The difference with GR comes from the fact that massive matter feels the scalar field



$$\alpha = d \ln A / d\phi$$

Motion of massive bodies determines $G_{\text{cav}}M$ **not** GM .

Thus, in terms of observable quantities, light deflection is given by

$$\delta\theta = \frac{4G_{\text{N}}M}{(1+\alpha^2)bc^2} \leq \frac{4GM}{bc^2}$$

which means

$$M_{\text{lens}} \leq M_{\text{rot}}$$

Cosmological features of ST theories

Close to GR today

assume light scalar field

Can be attracted toward GR during the cosmological evolution.

[Damour, Nordtvedt]

Dilaton can also be a quintessence field

[JPU, PRD 1999]

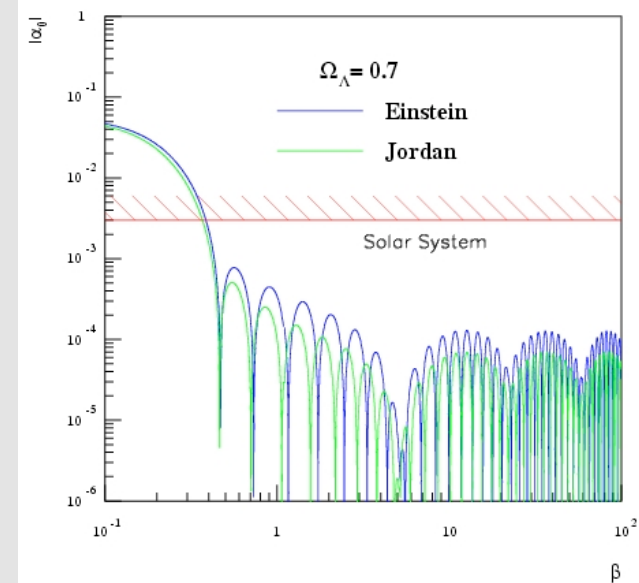
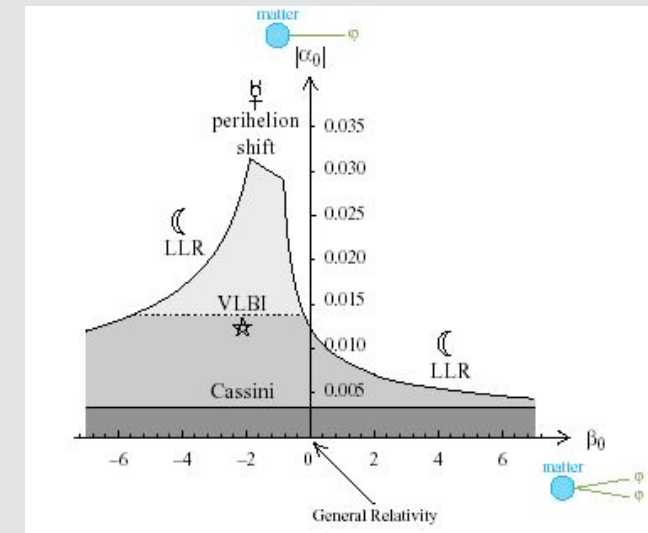
Equation of state today

$$3\Omega_{de0}(w_0 + 1) \simeq 2(1 - \beta_0)\phi_0'^2 - 2\alpha_0\phi_0''$$

[Martin, Schmid, JPU, 0510208]

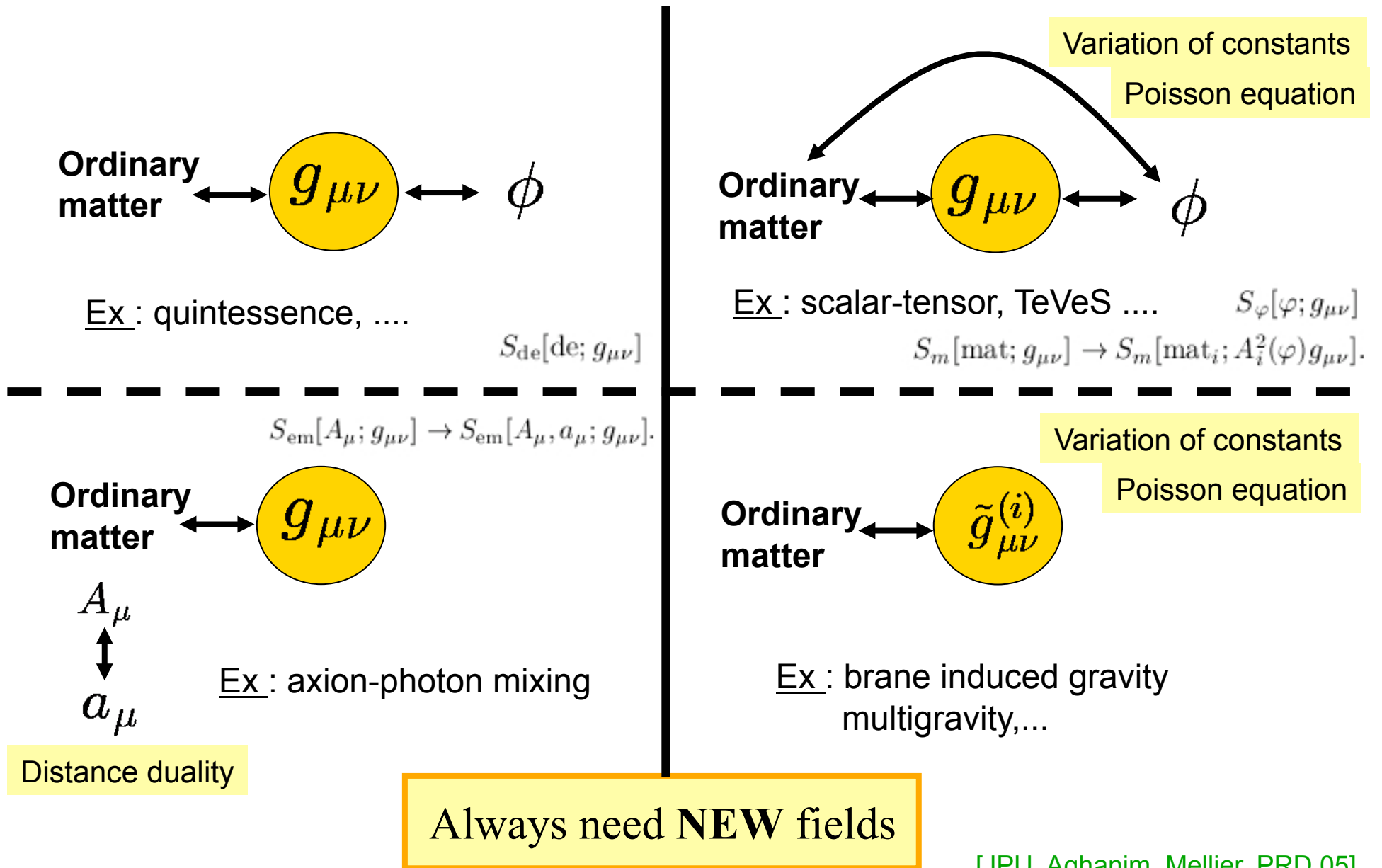
Cosmological predictions computable
(BBN, CMB, WL,...)

[Schimd et al., 2005; Riazuelo JPU, 2000,
Coc et al., 2005]



[Coc et al, 0601299]

Universality classes of extensions



Equivalence principle and constants

Action of a test mass:

$$S = - \int m_A [\alpha_i] c \sqrt{-g_{\mu\nu} v^\mu v^\nu} dt \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{aligned} v^\mu &= dx^\mu / dt \\ u^\mu &= dx^\mu / d\tau \end{aligned}$$

Dependence
on some
constants

$$\delta S = 0$$

$f_{A,i}$

$$a_A^\mu = - \sum_i \left(\frac{\partial \ln m_A}{\partial \alpha_i} \frac{\partial \alpha_i}{\partial x^\beta} \right) (g^{\beta\mu} + u^\beta u^\mu) \quad \text{(NOT a geodesic)}$$

$$g_{00} = -1 + 2\Phi_N / c^2$$

(Newtonian limit)

$$\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{g}_N + \delta \mathbf{a}_A$$

Anomalous force
Composition
dependent

$$\delta \mathbf{a}_A = -c^2 \sum_i f_{A,i} \left(\nabla \alpha_i + \dot{\alpha}_i \frac{\mathbf{v}}{c^2} \right)$$

Field theory

If a constant is varying, this implies that it has to be replaced by a dynamical field

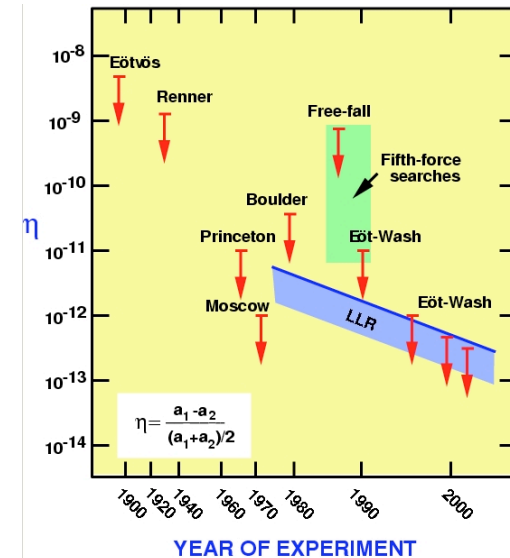
This has 2 consequences:

1- the equations derived with this parameter constant will be modified

one cannot just make it vary in the equations

2- the theory will provide an equation of evolution for this new parameter

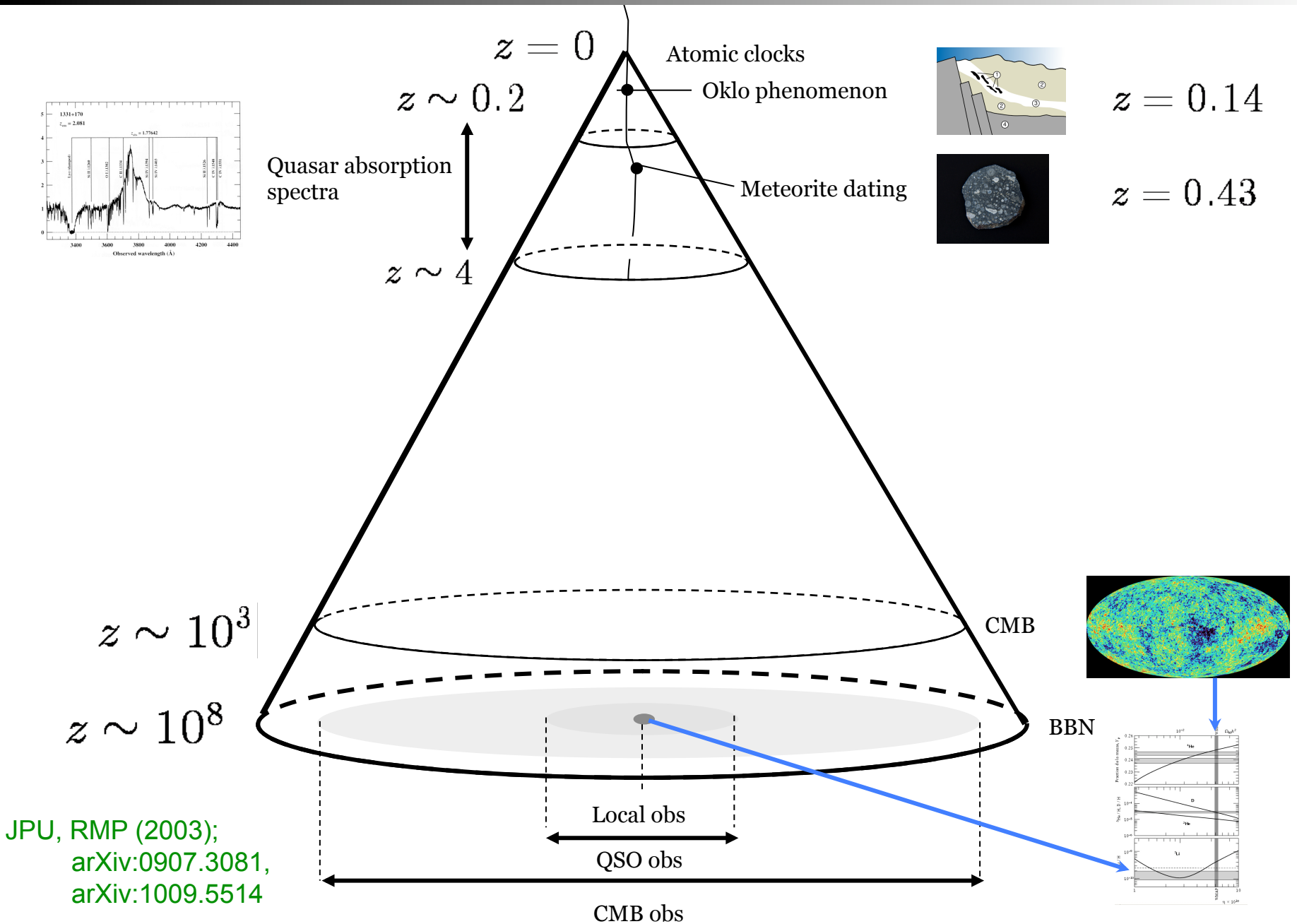
The field responsible for the time variation of the « constant » is also responsible for a long-range (composition-dependent) interaction
i.e. at the origin of the deviation from General Relativity.



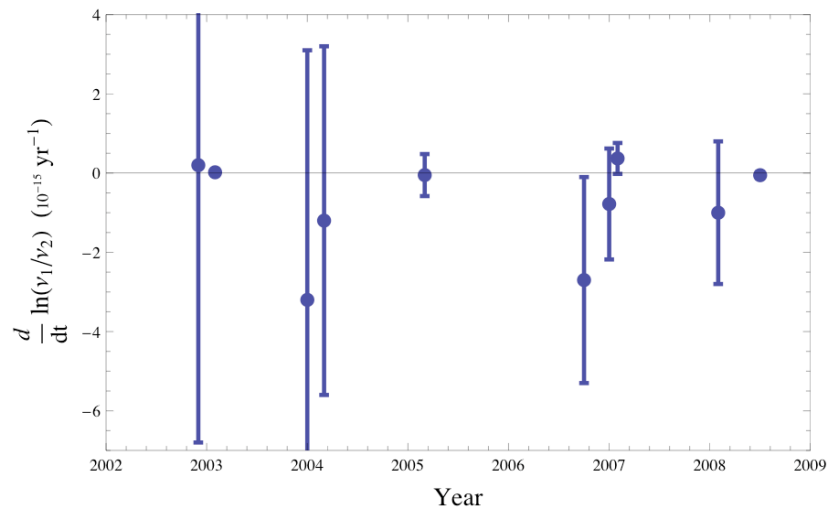
Testing general relativity on astrophysical scales

- Constants
- Field equations

Physical systems



Constraints



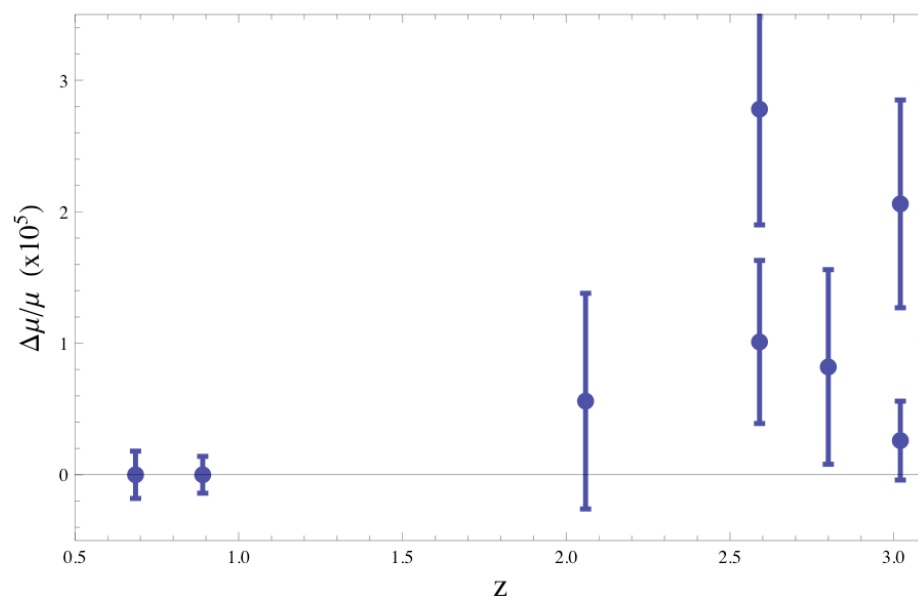
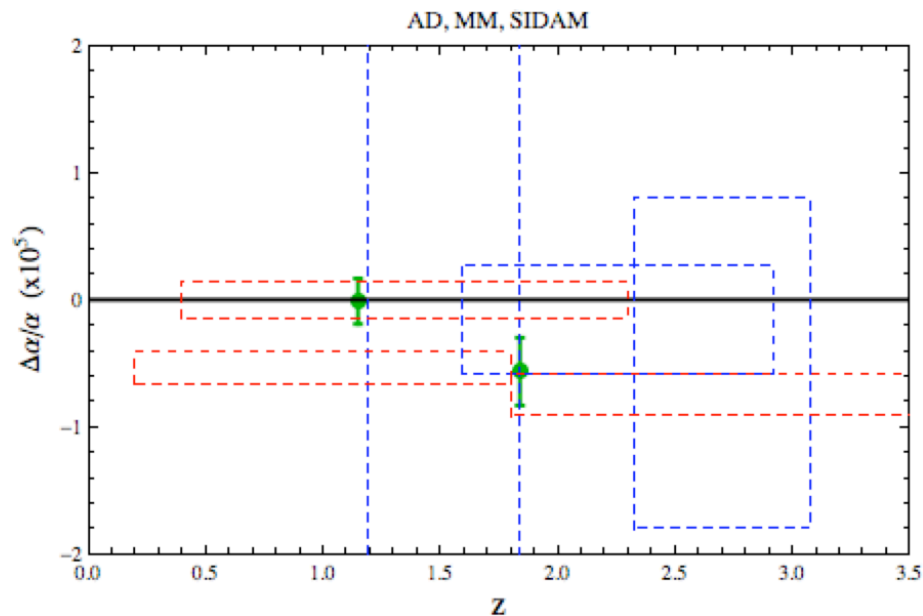
$$\frac{d}{dt} \ln \left(\frac{\nu_{\text{Al}}}{\nu_{\text{Hg}}} \right) = (-5.3 \pm 7.9) \times 10^{-17} \text{ yr}^{-1}$$

$$(\Delta\alpha_{\text{EM}}/\alpha_{\text{EM}})_{\text{VLT}; z < 1.8} = (-0.06 \pm 0.16) \times 10^{-5}$$

$$(\Delta\alpha_{\text{EM}}/\alpha_{\text{EM}})_{\text{VLT}; z > 1.8} = (+0.61 \pm 0.20) \times 10^{-5}$$

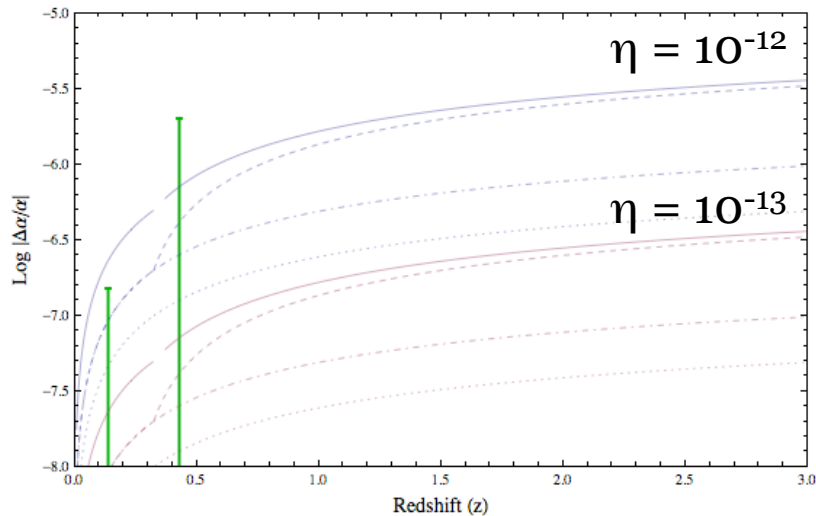
$$(\Delta\alpha_{\text{EM}}/\alpha_{\text{EM}})_{\text{Keck}; z < 1.8} = (-0.54 \pm 0.12) \times 10^{-5}$$

$$(\Delta\alpha_{\text{EM}}/\alpha_{\text{EM}})_{\text{Keck}; z > 1.8} = (-0.74 \pm 0.17) \times 10^{-5}$$



Comparison of constraints

Model-dependent: test-field vs quintessence field / coupling to all matter fields (GUT?)

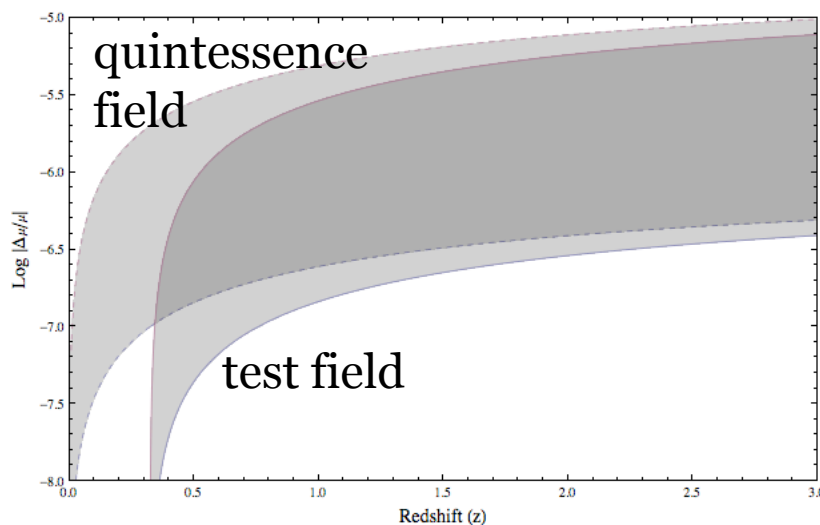


Example: string dilaton model

Models in agreement with clock constraints

Dilaton field can be either :

- test (not origin of late time acceleration)
- Quintessence field



All constants vary

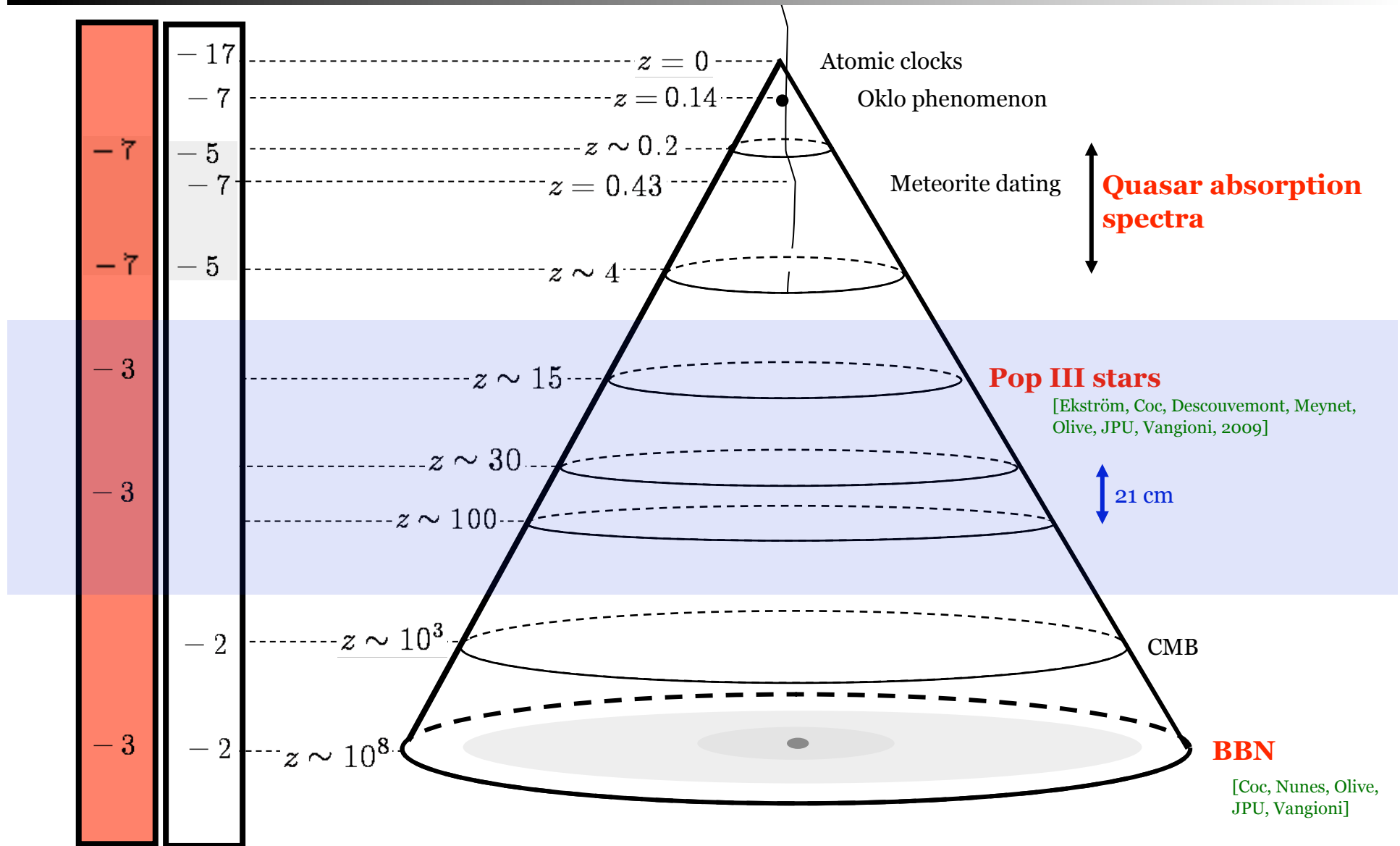
$$R = 10-200$$

$$\eta = 10^{-13}$$

Most sensitive probe depends on the model:
UFF ($z=0$) / clocks ($z=0$) / astrophysical

Importance to use different constants

Physical systems: new and future

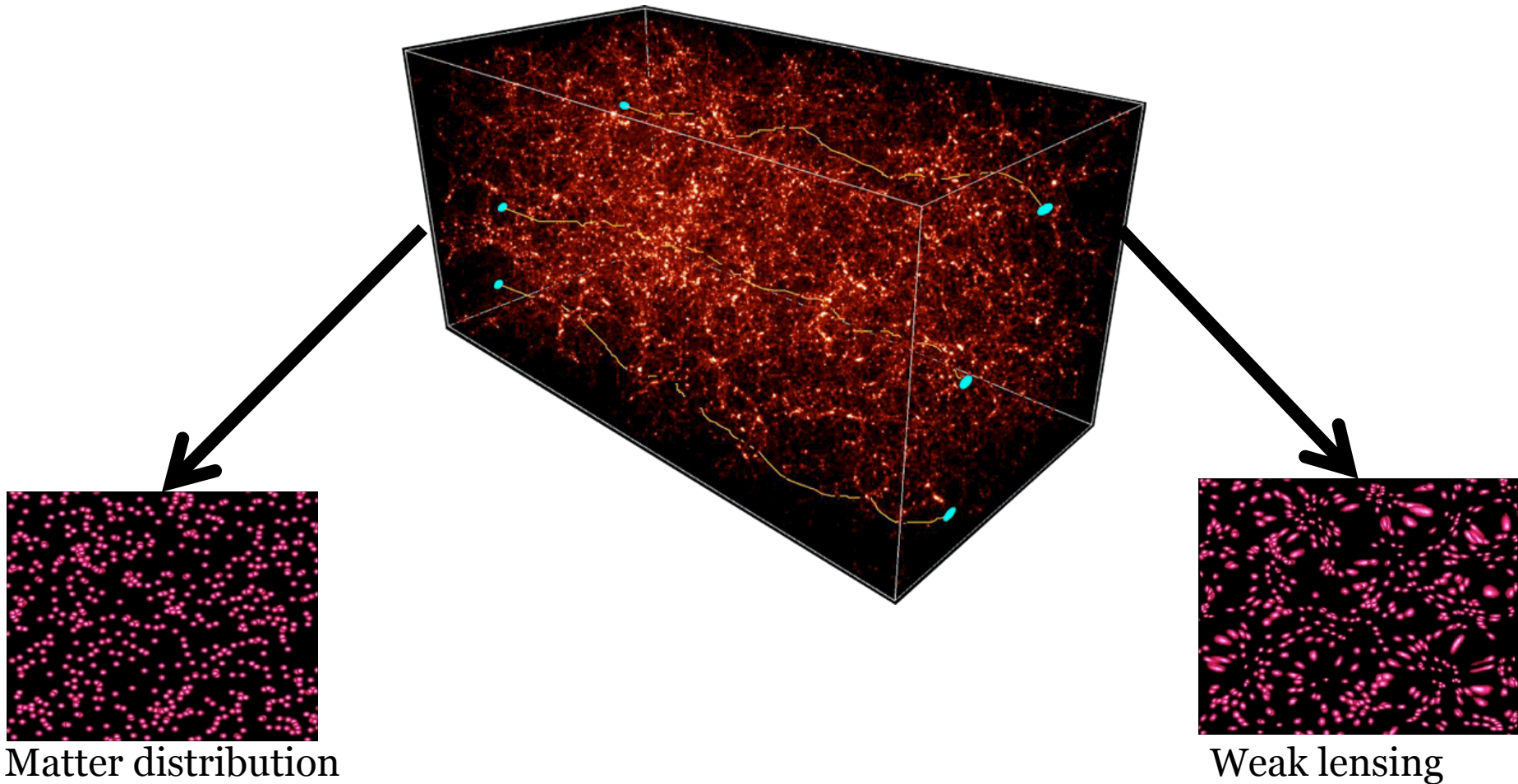


Testing GR on large scales

One needs at least **TWO** independent observables

Large scale structure

[Uzan, Bernardeau (2001)]



Structure in Λ CDM

Restricting to low- z and sub-Hubble regime

$$ds^2 = a^2(\eta)[- (1 + 2\Phi)d\eta^2 + (1 - 2\Psi)\gamma_{ij}dx^i dx^j]$$

Background

$$H^2/H_0^2 = \Omega_m^0(1+z)^3 + (1 - \Omega_m^0 - \Omega_\Lambda^0)(1+z)^2 + \Omega_\Lambda^0$$

Sub-Hubble perturbations

$$\Phi = \Psi$$

$$\Delta\Psi = 4\pi G\rho a^2\delta$$

$$\delta' + \theta = 0$$

$$\theta' + \mathcal{H}\theta = -\Delta\Phi$$

$$\theta \propto -f\delta$$

$$f \propto \Omega_{\text{mat}}^{0.6}$$

This implies the existence of **rigidities** between different quantities

Second rigidity: original idea of 2001

On sub-Hubble scales, in weak field
(*typical regime for the large scale structure*)

$$\Delta\Phi = 4\pi G\rho a^2\delta$$

Weak lensing

$$\delta\theta = \frac{2}{c^2} \int \nabla_{\perp} \Phi \, d\lambda$$

$$\langle \Phi(\theta) \Phi(\theta + n) \rangle$$

Distribution of the gravitational
potential

[JPU, Bernardeau (2001)]

Galaxy catalogues

$$n_{gal}(\mathbf{x})$$

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

Distribution of the matter

Compatible?

Can we construct a post- Λ CDM formalism for the interpretation the large scale structure data?

Post- Λ CDM

Restricting to low- z and sub-Hubble regime

$$ds^2 = a^2(\eta)[- (1 + 2\Phi)d\eta^2 + (1 - 2\Psi)\gamma_{ij}dx^i dx^j]$$

Background

$$H^2/H_0^2 = \Omega_m^0(1+z)^3 + (1 - \Omega_m^0 - \Omega_\Lambda^0)(1+z)^2 + \Omega_{de}(z)$$

Sub-Hubble perturbations

$$\Delta(\Phi - \Psi) = \pi_{de}$$

$$-k^2\Phi = 4\pi G_N F(k, H) \rho a^2 \delta + \Delta_{de}$$

$$\delta' + \theta = 0$$

$$\theta' + \mathcal{H}\theta = -\Delta\Phi + S_{de}$$

Λ CDM

$$(F, \pi_{de}, \Delta_{de}, S_{de}) = (1, 0, 0, 0)$$

[JPU, astro-ph/0605313;
arXiv:0908.2243]

Data and tests

DATA

Weak lensing

Galaxy map

Velocity field

Integrated Sachs-Wolfe

OBSERVABLE

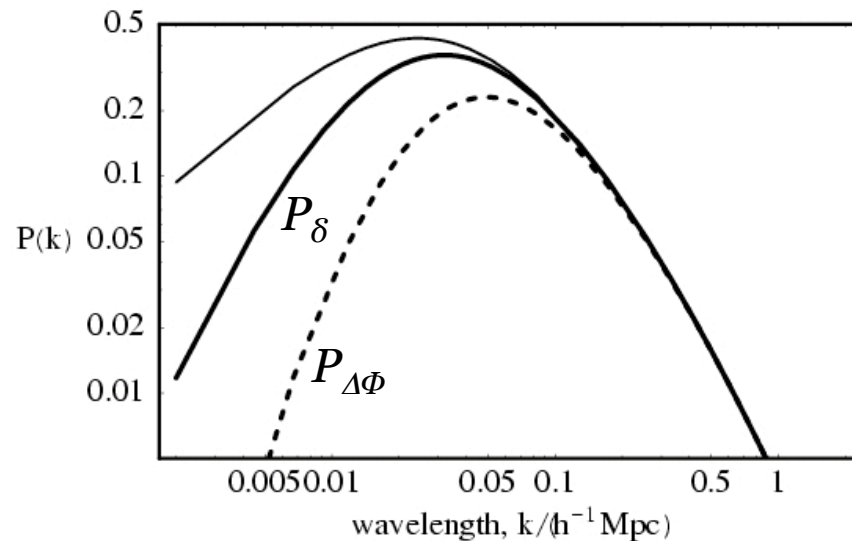
$$\kappa \propto \Delta(\Phi + \Psi)$$

$$\delta_g = b \delta$$

$$\theta = \beta \delta$$

$$\Theta_{SW} \propto \dot{\Phi} + \dot{\Psi}$$

Various combinations of these variables have been considered



JPU and Bernardeau, Phys. Rev. D **64** (2001)

EUCLID: ESA-class M-phase A

Gravitational waves and bimetric

In models involving 2 metrics (scalar-tensor, TeVeS,...), gravitons and standard matter are coupled to different metrics.

In GR:

photons and gravitons are massless and follow geodesics of the same spacetime

$$\delta T_{\gamma g} = T_{\gamma} - T_g = 0$$

In bi-metric:

photons and gravitons follow geodesics of two spacetimes
(*not in scalar-tensor theories*)

$$\delta T_{\gamma g} \neq 0$$

Example:

TeVSe model. Observable=SN1987a

$$\delta T_{\gamma g} = - 5.3 \text{ days}$$

Conclusions

- General Relativity is well-tested in the Solar system
- Tests need to be extended in other regimes
[large scale / low acceleration / low curvature / strong field]
- Equivalence principle
 - tested directly in the solar system
 - tested astrophysically via the constancy of constants
 - most sensitive test depends on the model
 - importance of various systems on different time/spatial scales
- Field equations
 - Large scale structure allow to extend PPN-like analysis
 - requires weak lensing / galaxy distribution / velocity fields
 - Euclid
- Multi messenger
 - γ / GW / ν : multi-metric theories
- Non-linear dynamics
 - CMB (Planck @ $l > 2000$) or LSS on small scales (weakly NL regime)