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Dark Energy – a cosmic mystery

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critical density

$\Box \varrho_{\rm c} = 3 \, \mathrm{H}^2 \, \mathrm{M}^2$

critical energy density of the universe (M: reduced Planck-mass, H: Hubble parameter)

• $\Omega_b = \varrho_b / \varrho_c$ $H = \dot{a}/a$ fraction in baryons energy density in baryons over critical energy density

Composition of the universe





 $\Omega_{\rm h} = 0.73$





dust **Ω**_b=0.045 only 5 percent of our universe consist of known matter!



~60,000 of >300,000 galaxies

Abell 2255 Cluster ~300 Mpc



$\Omega_{\rm b} = 0.045$

from nucleosynthesis, cosmic background radiation

Dark Matter

- $\square \Omega_{\rm m} = 0.27 \qquad \text{total "matter"}$
- Most matter is dark !
- So far tested only through gravity
- Every local mass concentration gravitational potential
- Orbits and velocities of stars and galaxies measurement of gravitational potential and therefore of local matter distribution

gravitational lens, HST





Shear estimate

Averaged shape

 $\bigcirc \langle e \rangle = 0$

NOT LENSED (randomly





Waerbeke

DEFLECTION OF LIGHT RAYS CROSSING THE UNIVERSE, EMITTED BY DISTANT GALAXIES





cosmological weak gravitational lensing



Waerbeke

Ranges for Ω_m , Ω_h from WMAPext, SNIa and Cosmic Shear



spatially flat universe

$\Omega_{\rm tot} \equiv 1$

theory (inflationary universe)
 $\Omega_{tot} = 1.0000....x$ observation (WMAP)
 $\Omega_{tot} = 1.02 (0.02)$

picture of the big bang



Wilkinson Microwave Anisotropy Probe

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 $\Omega_{tot} = 1$

sonic horizon Last scattering
$\mathcal{L} < 1$ (open) $\mathcal{L} = 1$ (flat)
Lan:



$\Omega_{\rm m} + {\rm X} = 1$ $\Omega_{\rm m} : 30\%$ $\Omega_{\rm h} : 70\% \quad \text{Dark Energy}$

h : homogenous , often Ω_{Λ} instead of Ω_{h}

Dark Energy:

homogeneously distributed

Dark Energy :

prediction:

The expansion of the Universe accelerates today



Supernova cosmology



Tonry et al. 2003





Eventual collapse



Supernova Ia Hubble-diagram



Structure formation

Structures in the Universe grow from tiny fluctuations in density distribution

stars, galaxies, clusters

One primordial fluctuation spectrum describes all correlation functions !

Structure formation : fluctuation spectrum



CMB agrees with galaxy distribution Lyman – α forest and gravitational lensing effect !

consistent cosmological model !

Composition of the Universe



 $\Omega_{\rm dm} = 0.225$ invisible clumping

 $\Omega_{\rm h} = 0.73$ invisible homogeneous

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What is Dark Energy ?

Cosmological Constant





Cosmological Constant

Constant λ compatible with all symmetries
No time variation in contribution to energy density

Why so small ? $\lambda/M^4 = 10^{-120}$

Why important just today ?

Cosm. Const. | Quintessence static | dynamical



Cosmological mass scales

Energy density

 $\rho \sim (2.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV})^{-4}$

 Reduced Planck mass M=2.44×10¹⁸GeV
Newton's constant

 $G_{\rm N} = (8\pi M^2)$

Only ratios of mass scales are observable ! homogeneous dark energy: $\rho_h/M^4 = 6.5 \ 10^{-121}$ matter: $\rho_m/M^4 = 3.5 \ 10^{-121}$
Time evolution



$$\blacksquare \rho_{\rm r}/{\rm M}^4 \sim a^{-4} \sim t^{-2}$$
 radiation dominated universe

Huge age \Rightarrow small ratio Same explanation for small dark energy?



Dynamical dark energy, generated by scalar field



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Cosmon

Scalar field changes its value even in the present cosmological epoch Potential und kinetic energy of cosmon contribute to the energy density of the Universe **Time** - variable dark energy : $\rho_{h}(t)$ decreases with time !







New long - range interaction

"Fundamental" Interactions

Strong, electromagnetic, weak interactions



On astronomical length scales:

graviton

gravitation cosmodynamics

cosmon

Evolution of cosmon field

Field equation

$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} = -dV/d\phi$$

Potential $V(\varphi)$ determines details of the model e.g. $V(\varphi) = M^4 \exp(-\varphi/M)$ for increasing φ the potential decreases towards zero

Cosmological equations



$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} = -dV/d\phi$$

$$3M^2H^2 = V + \frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2 + \rho$$

Cosmic Attractors

Solutions independent of initial conditions

typically V~t⁻²

 $\phi \sim ln \;(\;t\;)$

 $\Omega_{\rm h} \sim {\rm const.}$

details depend on $V(\phi)$ or kinetic term



Dynamics of quintessence

Cosmon φ : scalar singlet field

Lagrange density L = V + ½ k(φ) ∂φ ∂φ (units: reduced Planck mass M=1)

• Potential : $V = \exp[-\phi]$

• "Natural initial value" in Planck era $\varphi=0$

– today: **φ=276**

Quintessence models

- Kinetic function k(φ) : parameterizes the details of the model "kinetial"
 - $k(\mathbf{\phi}) = k = \text{const.}$
 - $k(\mathbf{\phi}) = \exp((\mathbf{\phi} \mathbf{\phi}_1)/\mathbf{\alpha})$ • $k^2(\mathbf{\phi}) = "1/(2E(\mathbf{\phi}_c - \mathbf{\phi}))"$

Exponential Q. Inverse power law Q. Crossover Q.

Naturalness criterion:

 $k(\phi=0)/k(\phi_{today})$: not tiny or huge !

- else: explanation needed -

Quintessence becomes important "today"

Crossover Quintessence Evolution



Equation of state



pressure energy density kinetic energy $T = \frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2$

Equation of state

$$w = \frac{p}{\rho} = \frac{T - V}{T + V}$$

Depends on specific evolution of the scalar field

Negative pressure

$\square w < 0$ Ω_h increases

- w < -1/3

expansion of the Universe is accelerating



cosmological constant

Quintessence becomes important "today"

Crossover Quintessence Evolution



How can quintessence be distinguished from a cosmological constant ?

Time dependence of dark energy



cosmological constant : $\Omega_{\rm h} \sim t^2 \sim (1+z)^{-3}$

M.Doran,...

Early dark energy

A few percent in the early Universe

Not possible for a cosmological constant

Early quintessence slows down the growth of structure



Fluctuation spectrum



Caldwell, Doran, Müller, Schäfer,...

Anisotropy of cosmic background radiation



Caldwell, Doran, Müller, Schäfer,...

How to distinguish Q from Λ ? A) Measurement $\Omega_h(z) \iff H(z)$

i) Ω_h(z) at the time of structure formation , CMB - emission or nucleosynthesis
ii) equation of state w_h(today) > -1

B) Time variation of fundamental "constants"

Are fundamental "constants" time dependent ?

Fine structure constant α (electric charge)

Ratio nucleon mass to Planck mass

Quintessence and Time dependence of "fundamental constants"

Fine structure constant depends on value of cosmon field : α(φ)

Time evolution of φ Time evolution of α

Observation of (molecular absorption lines in the light of quasars) $z=2-3: \Delta \alpha / \alpha = -0.6 \ 10^{-5} !$

Webb et al

Variation of fine structure constant as function of redshift



Variation of fine structure constant

Three independent data sets from Keck/HIRES

$\Delta \alpha / \alpha = -0.54 (12) 10^{-5}$

Murphy, Webb, Flammbaum, june 2003

Crossover quintessence and time variation of fundamental "constants"

- Upper bounds for relative variation of the fine structure constant
- Oklo natural reactor Δα/α < 10⁻⁷ z=0.13
 Meteorites (Re-decay) Δα/α < 3 10⁻⁷ z=0.45
- Crossover Quintessence compatible with QSO and upper bounds !

Variation of fine structure constant as function of redshift



Time evolution of fundamental couplings traces time evolution of quintessence

today w_h close to -1:

Small kinetic energy
 Slow change of φ
 Slow change of α

Very small $\Delta \alpha / \alpha$ for low z !

Time variation of coupling constants is tiny –

would be of very high significance !

Possible signal for Quintessence



Cosmodynamics

Cosmon mediates new long-range interaction

Range : size of the Universe – horizon

Strength : weaker than gravity

photonelectrodynamicsgravitongravitycosmoncosmodynamicsSmall correction to Newton's law

Violation of equivalence principle

Different couplings of cosmon to proton and neutron

Differential acceleration

Violation of equivalence principle



Differential acceleration η

For unified theories (GUT):

 $\eta = -1.75 \ 10^{-2} \Delta R_z (\frac{\partial \ln \alpha}{\partial z})^2 \frac{1+Q}{\Omega_h (1+w_h)}$

 $\Delta R_z = \frac{\Delta Z}{Z+N} \approx 0.1$

η=∆a/2a

Q : time dependence of other parameters

Link between time variation of α

and violation of equivalence principle

typically : $\eta = 10^{-14}$



 $_{\rm o} \ \Omega_{\rm h} = 0.7$

• Q/Λ : dynamical und static dark energy will be distinguishable

• Q : time varying fundamental coupling "constants"

violation of equivalence principle

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Why becomes Quintessence dominant in the present cosmological epoch ?
Are dark energy and dark matter related ?
Can Quintessence be explained in a fundamental unified theory ?


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Growth of density fluctuations

 \blacksquare Matter dominated universe with **constant** $\Omega_{\rm h}$:

$$\Delta \rho \sim a^{1-rac{\epsilon}{2}}, \ \epsilon = rac{5}{2}(1-\sqrt{1-rac{24}{25}\Omega_h})$$

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 Dark energy slows down structure formation
 → Ω_h < 10% during structure formation

 Substantial increase of Ω_h(t) since structure has formed!
 → negative w_h

■ Question "why now" is back (in mild form)

"Fifth Force"

Mediated by scalar field

R.Peccei, J.Sola, C.Wetterich, Phys.Lett.B195, 183(1987)

Coupling strength: weaker than gravity (nonrenormalizable interactions $\sim M^{-2}$) Composition dependence \implies violation of equivalence principle Quintessence: connected to time variation of fundamental couplings C.Wetterich, Nucl.Phys.B302,645(1988)

Cosmon and fundamental mass scales

Assume all mass parameters are proportional to scalar field χ (GUTs, superstrings,...)
 M_p~ χ, m_{proton}~ χ, Λ_{QCD}~ χ, M_W~ χ,...
 χ may evolve with time
 m_n/M : (almost) constant - *observation* !

Only ratios of mass scales are observable

Dilatation symmetry

Lagrange density:

$$L = \sqrt{g} \left(-\frac{1}{2}\chi^2 R + \frac{1}{2}(\delta - 6)\partial^{\mu}\chi\partial_{\mu}\chi + V(\chi) + h\chi\overline{\psi}\psi\right)$$

Dilatation symmetry for

$$V = \lambda \chi^4, \ \lambda = const., \delta = const., h = const.$$

■ Conformal symmetry for $\delta = 0$

Dilatation anomaly

- Quantum fluctuations responsible for dilatation anomaly
 Running couplings:
 - $\partial \lambda / \partial \ln \chi = -A\lambda, \, \partial \delta / \partial \ln \chi = E\delta^2$
- V~χ^{4-A} , M_p(χ)~ χ
 V/M_p⁴~ χ^{-A} : decreases for increasing χ
 E>0 : crossover quintessence

Weyl scaling

Cosmology : χ increases with time ! (" late time cosmology explores the ultraviolet") Weyl scaling : $g_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow (M/\chi)^2 g_{\mu\nu}$, $\varphi/M = \ln (\chi^4/V(\chi))$

$$L = \sqrt{g} \left(-\frac{1}{2}M^2R + \frac{1}{2}k^2\partial^{\mu}\phi\partial_{\mu}\phi + V(\phi) + m_n\overline{\psi}\psi\right)$$

Exponential potential : $V = M^4 \exp(-\varphi/M)$









MMAP Angular Power Spectrum Anisotropy of CMB



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