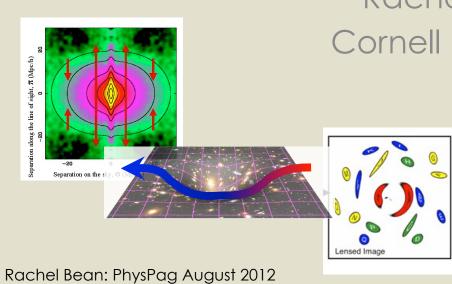


## Understanding dark energy

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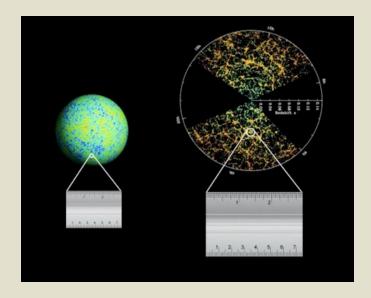


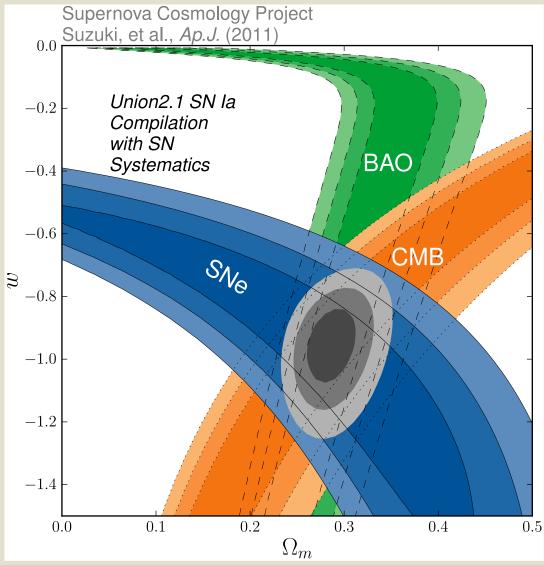


# Geometric complementarity gives powerful evidence for dark energy's existence

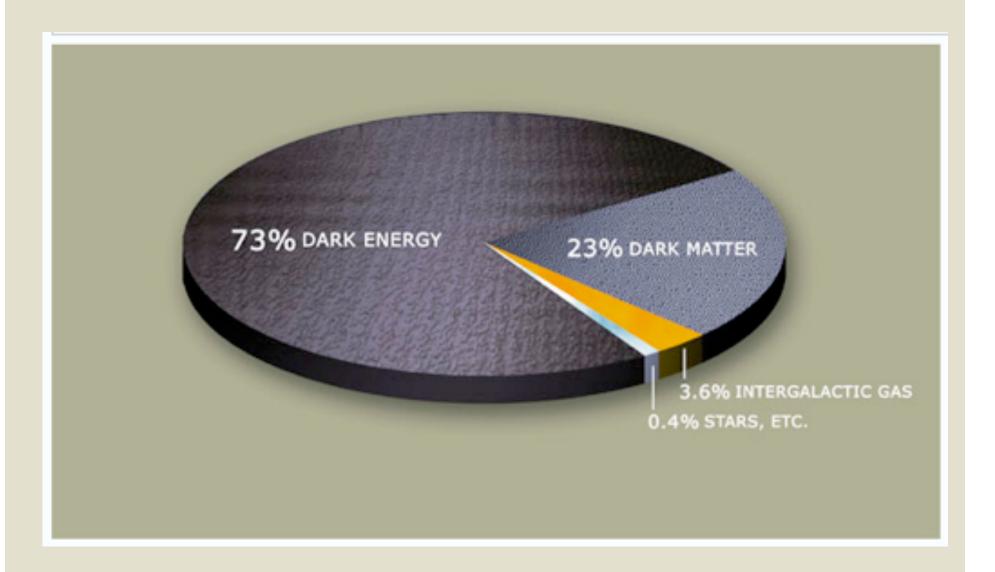


Standard rulers



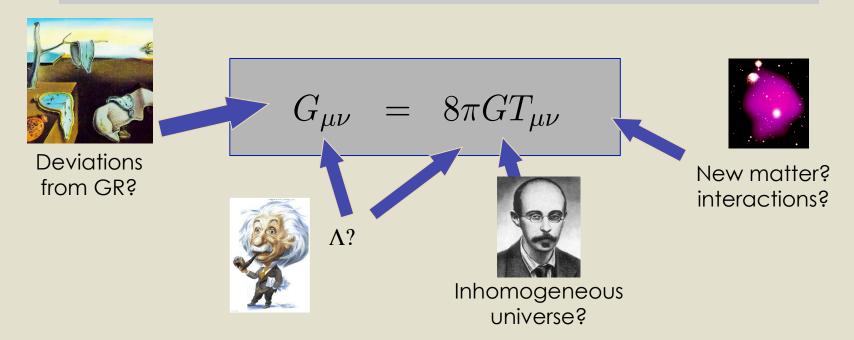


### The concordance camembert



## Understanding cosmic acceleration

Cosmic acceleration = a modification of Einstein's equations



Broad aim =Phenomenology Distinguish which sector: new gravity, new matter or  $\Lambda$ ?

Ambitious aim = Theoretical model Learn something more about the underlying theory?

## Ways to modify gravity?

Scalar tensor gravity = simple models we can model effects for

GR 
$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \frac{1}{16\pi G} R$$
 
$$f(R) \text{ gravity} \qquad S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \frac{1}{16\pi G} \left(R + f_2(R)\right)$$
 Scalar tensor gravity 
$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \frac{1}{16\pi G} f_1(\phi) R$$
 Higher dimensional gravity e.g. DGP 
$$S = \int d^5x \sqrt{-g^{(5)}} \frac{1}{16\pi G^{(5)}} R^{(5)}$$

- Active area of research, many different options, no solutions, yet
- Common theme: A scalar degree of freedom

## Alternative explanations to expansion history

Alter Friedmann and acceleration equations at late times

$$\frac{\ddot{a}}{a}=-\frac{4\pi G}{3}(\rho_m+3P_m)+\frac{stuff}{3}$$
 or 
$$\frac{stuff+\ddot{a}}{a}=-\frac{4\pi G}{3}(\rho_m+3P_m)$$
 ?

e.g. f(R) gravity

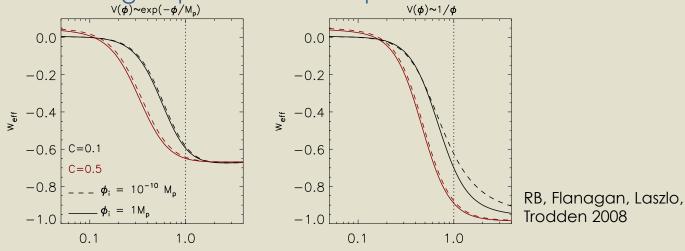
$$-H^{2}f_{R} + \frac{a^{2}}{6}f + \frac{3}{2}H\dot{f}_{R} + \frac{1}{2}\ddot{f}_{R} + \frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = -\frac{4\pi G}{3}(\rho + 3P)$$

e.g. DGP gravity

$$-\frac{\dot{H}}{r_c} + \frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = -\frac{4\pi G}{3}(\rho + 3P)$$

## Palatable and unpalatable attraction...

Attractor solutions give predictions independent of initial conditions,



- for better or worse e.g. f(R) Amendola et al 2007
- Can evade (unpalatable) attractors, by retrofitting ΛCDM background, but at the high price of more fine-tuning
  - e.g. f(R) Hu and Sawicki 2007

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

## Can we tie data a step closer to theory?

 What observational properties might the most general action predict?

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left\{ \frac{M_p^2}{2} R - \frac{1}{2} (\nabla \phi)^2 - V(\phi) \right\}$$

Canonical scalar field

Quartic kinetic

Coupling to curvature

Gauss-Bonnet (GB) term

$$+f_{quartic}(\phi)(\nabla\phi)^4$$

$$+f_{curv}(\phi)G^{\mu\nu}\nabla_{\mu}\phi\nabla_{\nu}\phi$$

$$+f_{GB}(\phi)\left(R^2-4R^{\mu\nu}R_{\mu\nu}+R_{\mu\nu\sigma\rho}R^{\mu\nu\sigma\rho}\right)$$

$$+S_{\rm m}\left[e^{\alpha(\phi)}g_{\mu\nu}\left(1+f_{kin}(\phi)(\nabla\phi)^2\right),\psi_{\rm m}\right]$$

Non-minimally coupling to matter

Park, Watson, Zurek 2011 Bloomfield & Flanagan 2012 Bean, Mueller, Watson in prep

### Attractor behaviors

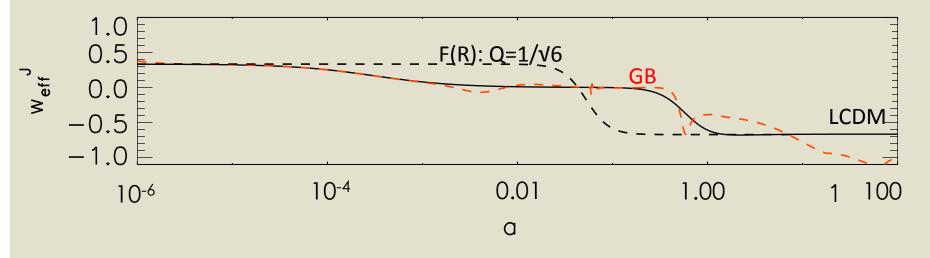
 Simple forms for couplings/interactions yield a small set of predictions

Attractor	$\Omega_{\phi}$	$w_{\phi}$	$w_E$	$w_J$
$MAT-\lambda$	$\frac{3(1+w_m)}{\lambda^2}$	$w_m$	$w_m$	$\frac{w_m + \sqrt{6}Qx/3}{1 - \sqrt{6}Qx}$
MAT - Q	$\frac{2Q^2}{3}$	1	$\frac{2Q^2}{3}$	$\frac{4Q^2}{3(1-2Q^2)}$
$ACC-\lambda$	1	$-1 + \frac{\lambda^2}{3}$	$-1 + \frac{\lambda^2}{3}$	$-1 + \frac{\lambda^2 - 2Q\lambda}{3(1 - Q\lambda)}$
ACC - GB	1	-1	-1	-1

$$V = V_0 \exp\left(-\lambda \frac{\phi}{M_p}\right)$$

$$e^{\alpha} = \exp\left(-2Q \frac{\phi}{M_p}\right)$$

$$f_{GB} = F_0 \exp\left(-\mu \frac{\phi}{M_p}\right)$$

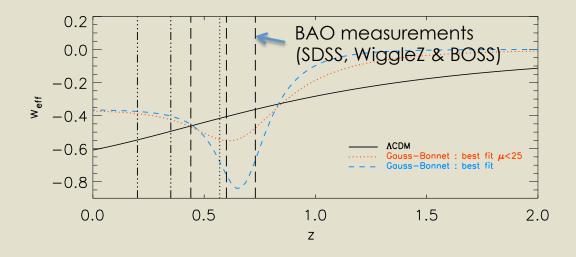


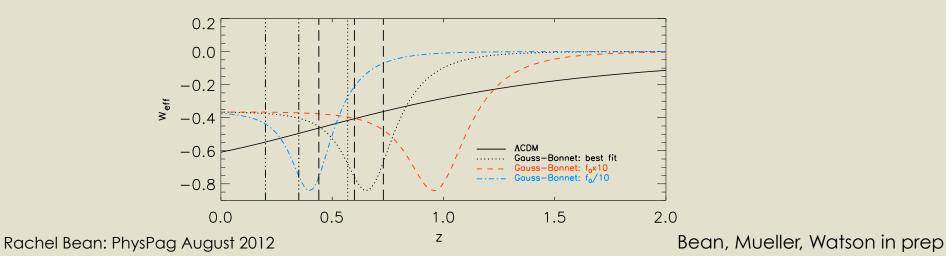
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## The power of multi-epoch measurements

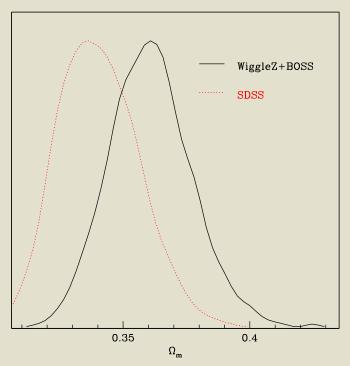
BAO and SN data give multiple tests of cosmic dynamics

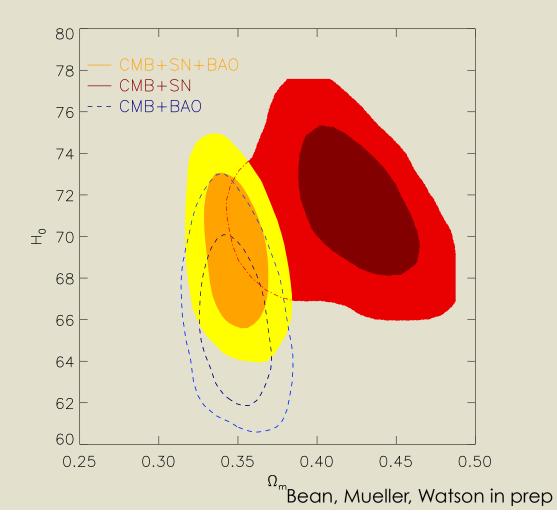




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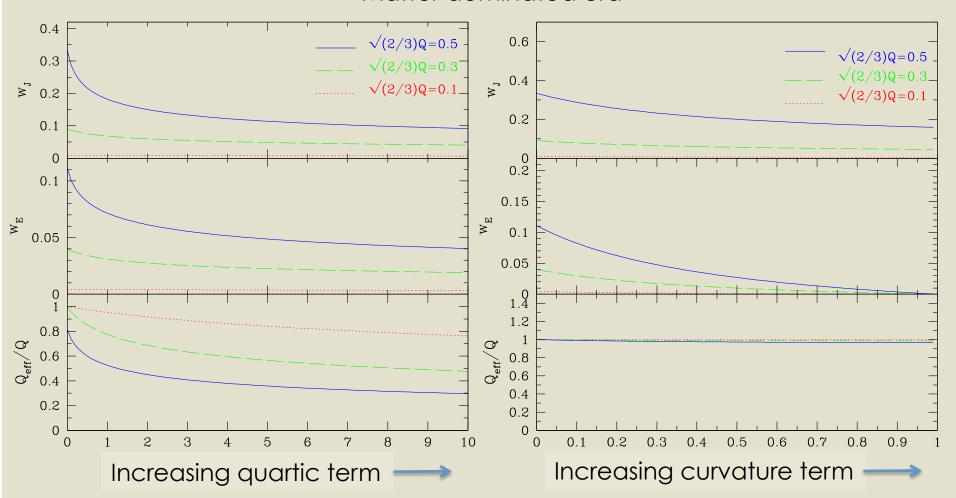
• In combination, rule out Gauss-Bonnet term:  $\Delta \chi^2$  (GB-LCDM)=+17





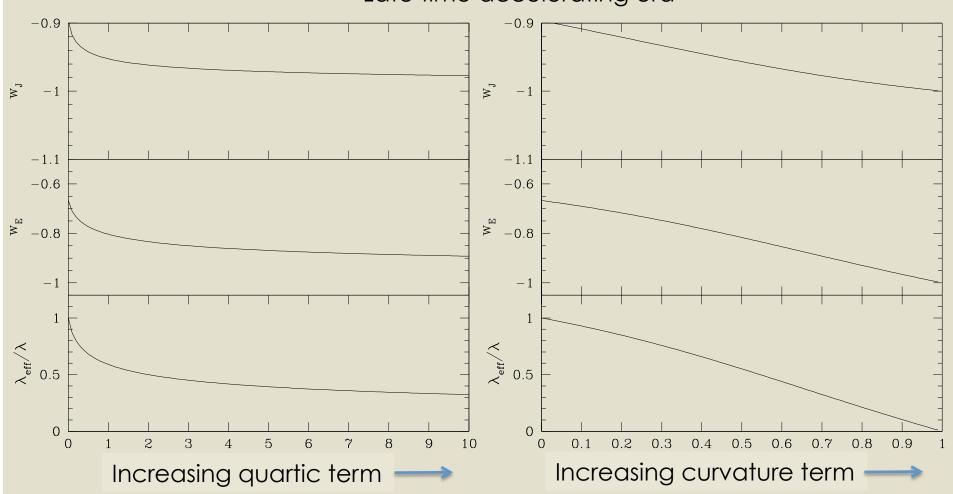
# Quartic and curvature interactions have cosmologically interesting effects

#### Matter dominated era



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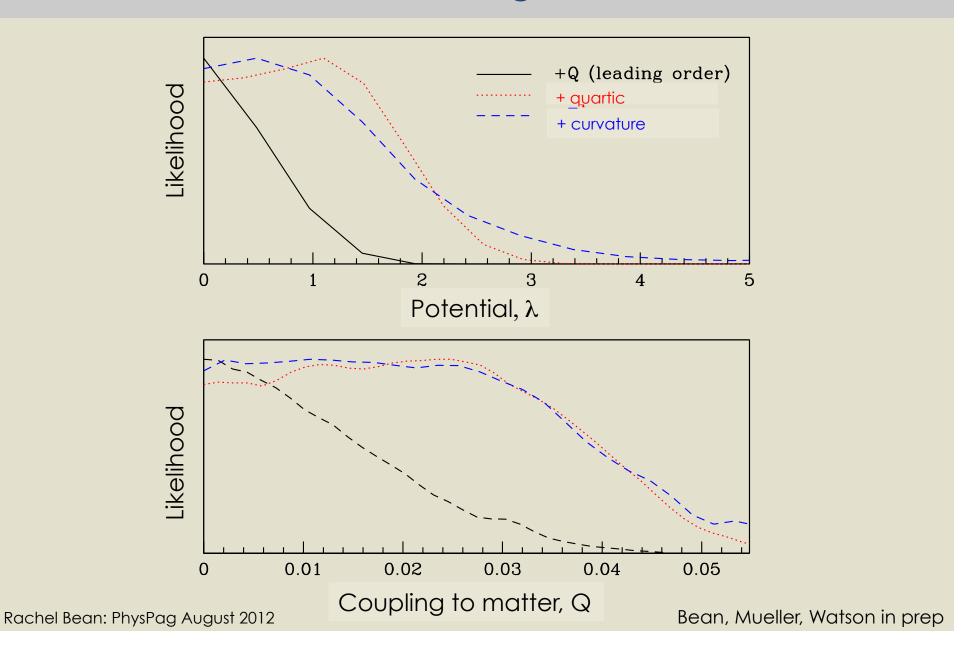




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## Geometric cosmological constraints



## There are always benefits to asking more questions...



## Weak field tests of gravity

#### Terrestrial and Solar System

- Lab tests on mm scales
- Lunar and planetary ranging

#### Galactic

- Galactic rotation curves and velocity dispersions
- Satellite galaxy dynamics

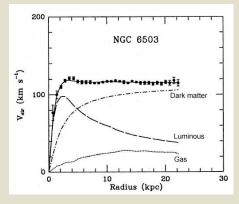
#### Intergalactic and Cluster

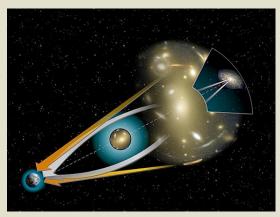
- Galaxy lensing and peculiar motions
- Cluster dynamical, X-ray & lensing mass estimates

#### Cosmological

- Early times: BBN, CMB correlations
- Late times: Large scale structure







# Three groups of extra galactic observations for testing gravity

I: Background expansion

II: Growth, up to some normalization

III: Growth directly

CMB angular diameter distance

Supernovae luminosity distance

BAO angular/radial scale

Galaxy autocorrelations

Galaxy - ISW x-corrln

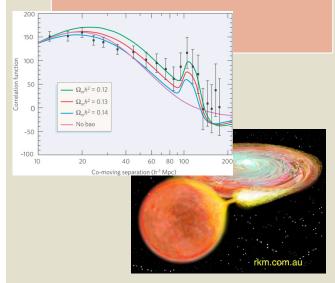
Xray and SZ galaxy cluster measurements

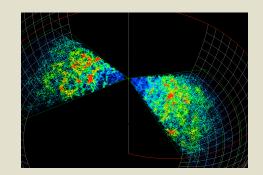
Ly-alpha measurements

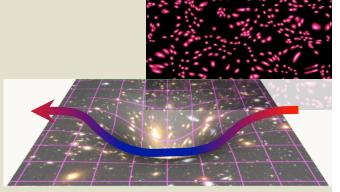
CMB ISW autocorrelation

Weak lensing autocorrelation

Peculiar velocity distribution/ bulk flows







## Phenomenological model of gravity

- Perturbed metric  $ds^2 = -(1+2\psi)dt^2 + a^2(1-2\phi)dx^2$
- Aim to describe phenomenological properties common to theories
  - A modification to Poisson's equation, Q

$$k^2 \phi = -4\pi G Q a^2 \rho \Delta$$

Q≠1: can be mimicked by additional (dark sector?) clustering/matter

An inequality between Newton's potentials, R

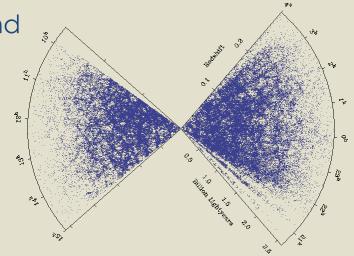
$$\psi = R\phi$$

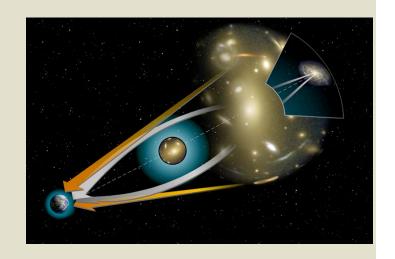
R≠1: not easily mimicked.

- potential smoking gun for modified gravity?
- Significant stresses exceptionally hard to create in non-relativistic fluids e.g. DM and dark energy.

## Complementary tests of gravity

- Non-relativistic tracers: Galaxy positions and motions
  - Measure  $\psi \sim G_{mat} = QRG_N$
  - Biasing of tracer (galaxy) issue
- Relativistic tracers: Weak lensing and CMB
  - Sensitive to  $(\phi+\psi) \sim G_{light} = Q(1+R)G_N$
  - Direct tracer of potential, but still
    - stochasticity relating lensing and surveyed galaxies
    - plenty of systematics (photo-z, IAs...)
- Contrasting tracers are the key to understanding gravity





## Putting it all in the mix

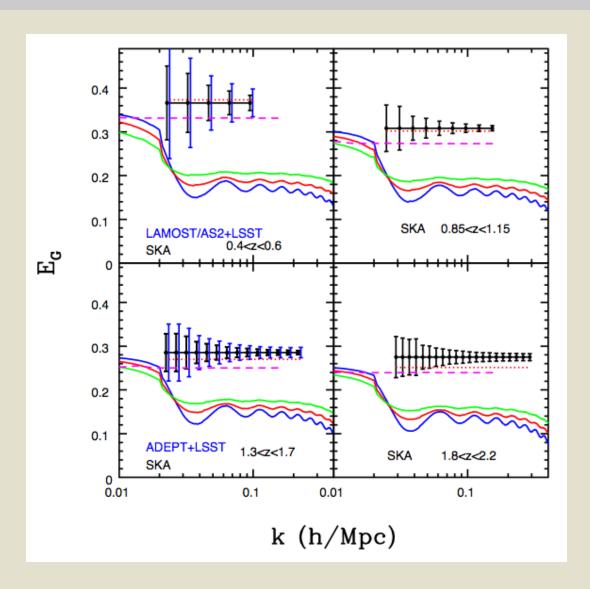
A "smoking gun" for GR on cosmic scales

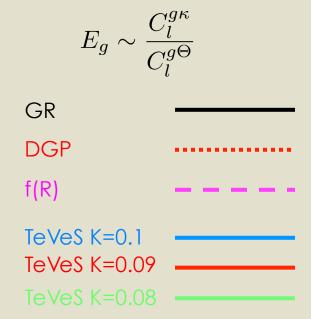
$$E_G \sim \frac{\text{galaxy position-lensing correlation (C}_{|}^{gG})}{\text{redshift space - galaxy position correlation (C}_{|}^{g\Theta})}$$

- Contrasts relativistic and non-relativistic tracers => R ≠ 1?
  - Lensing:  $G \sim \phi + \psi \sim Q(1+R)$ ,
  - Galaxy position and motion:  $g,\Theta \sim \psi \sim QR$
- Independent of galaxy bias and initial conditions

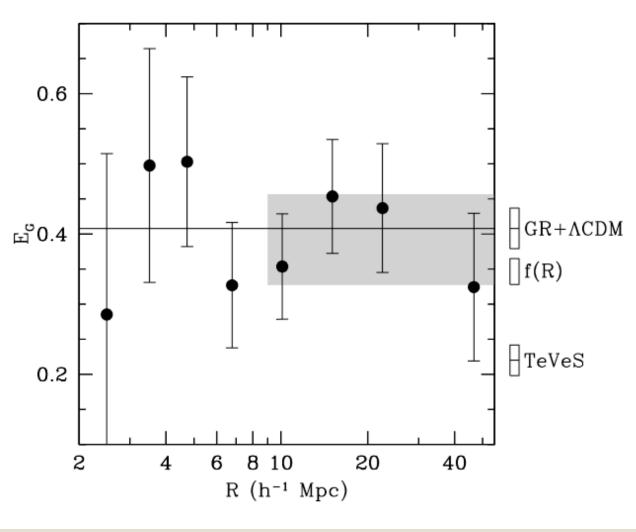
$$\frac{C_1^{gG}}{C_1^{g\Theta}} \sim \frac{b \sigma_8^2}{b \sigma_8^2}$$

## Distinguishing between modified gravity and $\Lambda$





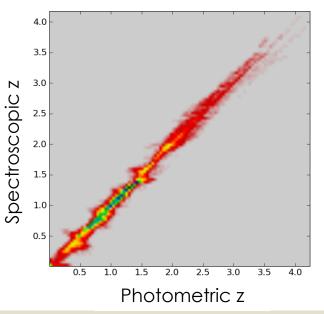
## Vital proof of principle with SDSS LRG data



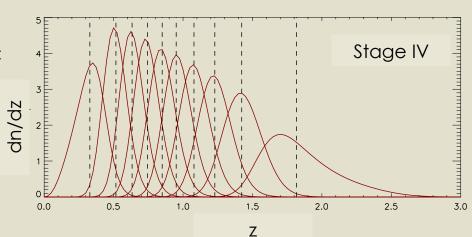
Reyes et al Nature 2010

## Complications: photometric redshifts

- Facilitates fast and wide survey
- Enables tomography
  - Measuring evolution on dark energy
  - Cross-correlations between z bins useful for disentangling systematics and cosmology
- But sensitive to modeling
  - galaxy distribution,
  - photo-z statistical accuracy, systematic offsets and catastrophic errors



Credit: LSST Consortium

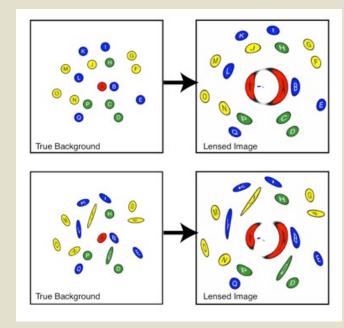


## Complications: Intrinsic alignments

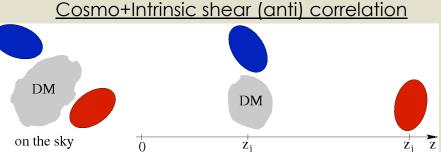
 Lensing distortions detected using statistical correlations

$$\epsilon^{i}(\theta) = \gamma_{G}^{i}(\theta) + \gamma_{I}^{i}(\theta) + \epsilon_{rnd}^{i}(\theta).$$

- Random ellipticity not an issue
- Instrumental & astrophysical "contaminants" introduce systematic shear calibration uncertainties
- Correlated contaminant need to be modeled and disentangled from cosmological shear
  - E.g. Intrinsic galactic alignments



Credit: Williamson, Oluseyi, Roe 2007

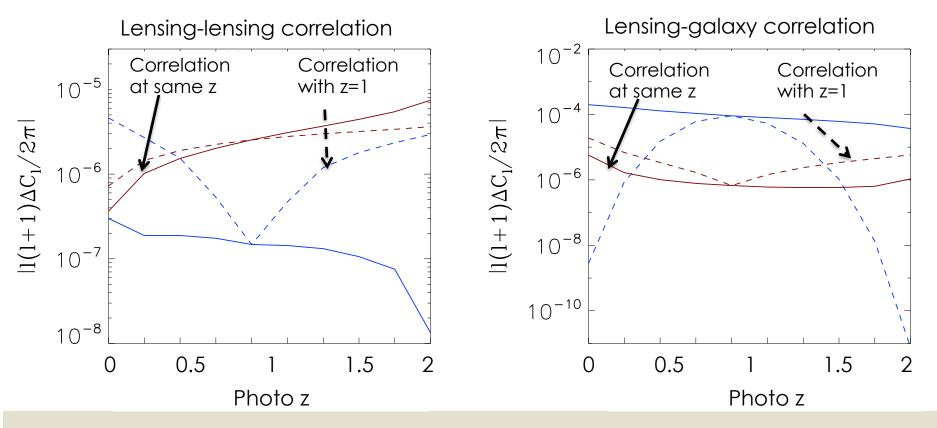


Credit: Benjamin Joachimi, iCosmo

## Cross- correlations and tomography

 Use difference in redshift signatures to break degeneracy between systematics and dark energy theory

Differences between LCDM + sys errors vs no sys and MG vs LCDM for lensing and galaxy

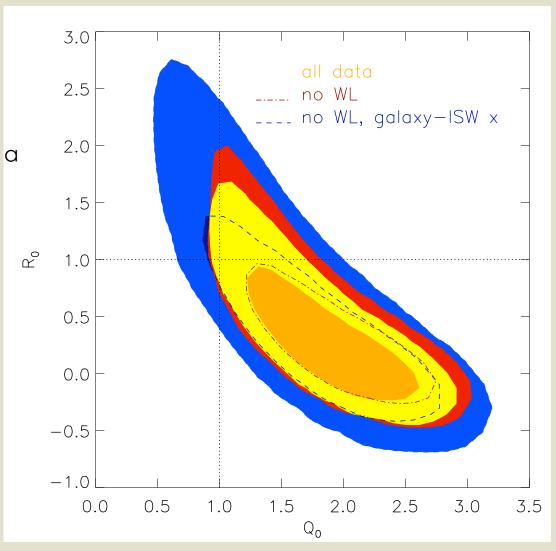


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### Current constraints

- Multiple data
  - WMAP CMB, SDSS LRG auto, SDSS-WMAP cross correlation, COSMOS weak lensing, Union SN1a
- CMB-galaxy correlations give best constraints
- Worst constraint from lensing +CMB
  - $(\phi+\psi)$  direction  $\sim$ Q(1+R)/2
- "Figure of Merit"
  - 1/error ellipse area
  - MG FoM ~ 0.03



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Bean & Tangmatitham PRD 2010

## What about future surveys?

Fisher matrix analysis = Inverse covariance (error) matrix

$$Cov_{ij}^{-1} = F_{ij} = \frac{\partial t_a}{\partial p_i} Cov_{ab}^{-1} \frac{\partial t_b}{\partial p_i}$$

Assumed cosmology and parameterization

$$\mathbf{p} = \{\Omega_b h^2, \Omega_m h^2, \Omega_k, \tau, w_0, w_a, Q_0, Q_0(1 + R_0)/2, n_s, \Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^2(k_0), +\text{systematic nuisance parameters}\}$$

Datasets

$$\mathbf{t} = \{C_{\ell}^{TT}, C_{\ell}^{TE}, C_{\ell}^{EE}, C_{\ell}^{Tg_1}, ..., C_{\ell}^{Eg_1}, ..., C_{\ell}^{g_1g_1}, C_{\ell}^{g_1g_2}, ..., C_{\ell}^{\kappa_{N_{ph}}\kappa_{N_{ph}}}, \}$$

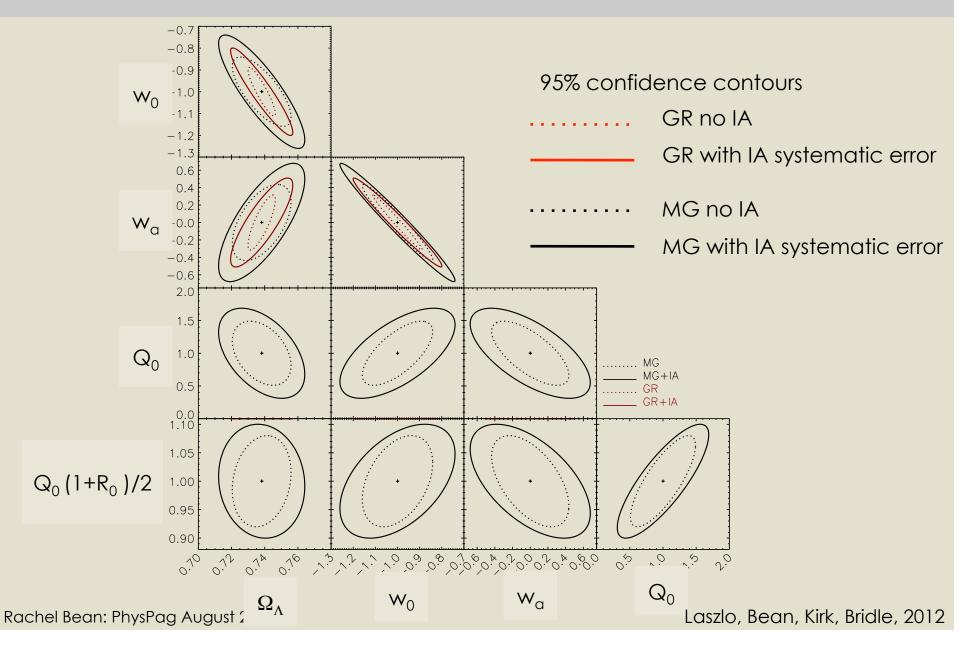
- Survey specifications
  - near future (stage III) and end of decade (stage IV) surveys
  - Stage III = Planck CMB + DES-like imaging + BOSS spectroscopic surveys
  - Stage IV = Planck CMB + EUCLID-like imaging and spectroscopy

## Forecasting: what you put in=what you get out

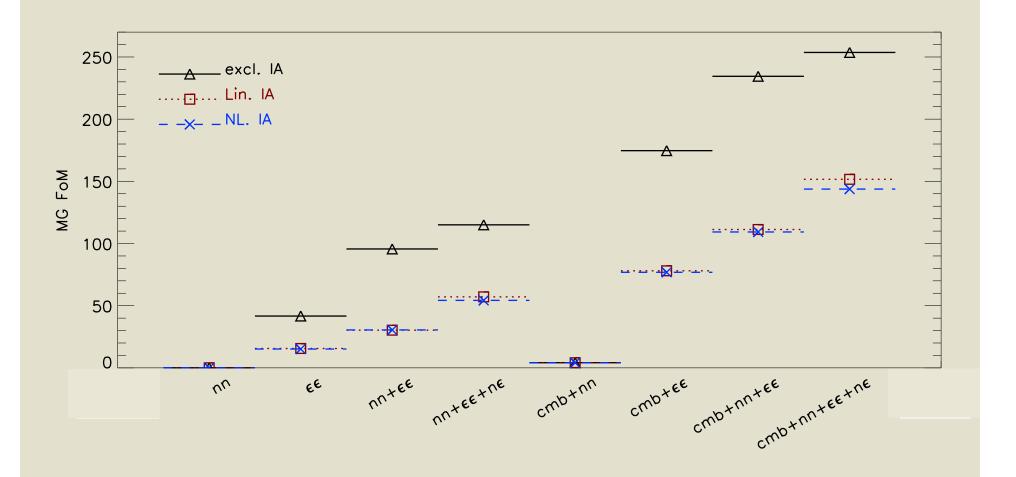
- Figures of merit /Fisher insightful but
- Model dependent e.g. w0/wa or functions of z?
- Systematic errors difficult but important!
  - Instrumental e.g. calibration uncertainties
    - Internal cross-checks: inter-filter, concurrent & repetition ≠ redundancy
  - Modeling: e.g. Photo z modeling errors, nonlinearity
    - Access to ground based facilities,
    - Training sets, simulation suites
  - Astrophysical: e.g. IAs ,  $H\alpha$  z distribution, galaxy bias, baryonic effects
    - At what scale should one truncate the analysis?
    - Analytical modeling, gridded k& z bins, simulations?
- Buyer beware!
  - risky to compare FoM unless apples-for-apples treatment



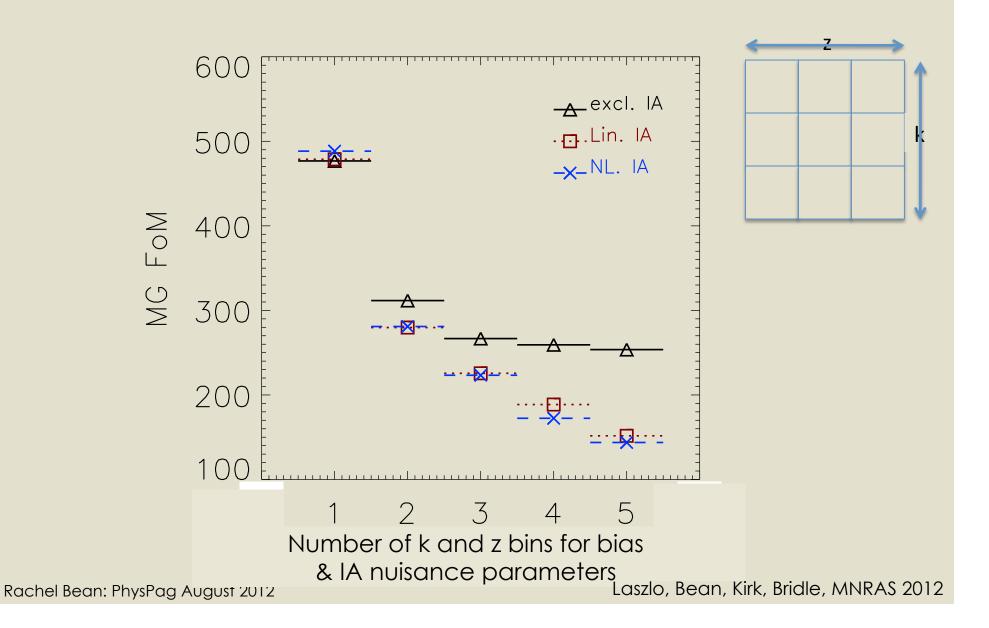
## Sensitivity to theory and systematics



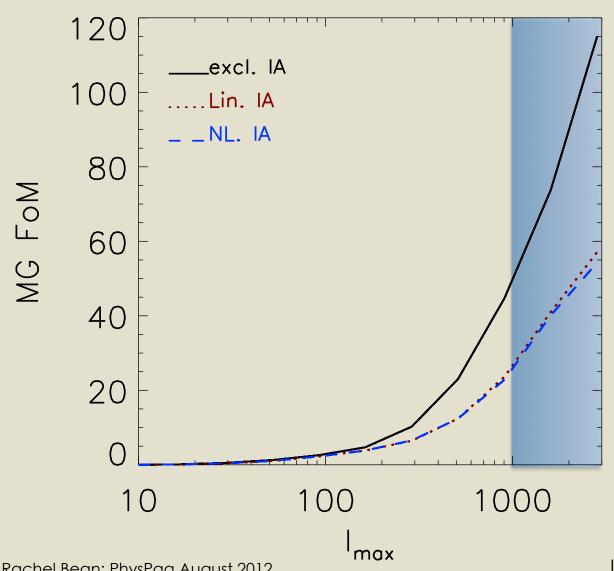
# Impact of cross-correlations: reducing systematics, breaking theory degeneracies



### Our level of understanding about bias and IA is important



## \*If\* you understand non-linear scales they could make a big difference



On scales <~ a few Mpc

- Baryonic effects?
- Non-linear modeling?
- Screening effects?

Include small scale modeling uncertainties in forecasts.

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## Concluding thoughts

- Invaluable opportunity to test the origins of cosmic acceleration and weak field gravity on cosmic scales
  - Theoretical developments, fast evolving.
  - General effective field theory for DE a useful phenomenological approach, with interesting implications for both expansion history and growth history
- Multiple, complementary astrophysical tracers key to finding DE origin
  - geometric techniques important record of expansion history
  - relativistic & non-relativistic LSS tracers distinguish gravity's properties
  - Surveys will give us information across z and from horizon to sub-halo scales
- Honest assessment of systematics essential
  - Theory and systematics can be tightly coupled.
  - Can significantly impact predictions (beware apples vs oranges)
  - Survey and algorithm development + x-corr key to mitigate these.
- FoMs useful but a high pass filter on data. Mapping to the underlying theory is the ultimate goal.