

# Universe without Expansion



**The Universe is shrinking**



The Universe is shrinking ...

while Planck mass and particle  
masses are increasing

# Two models of “ Variable Gravity Universe ”

- Scalar field coupled to gravity
- Effective Planck mass depends on scalar field
- Simple scalar potential :
  - quadratic ( model A )
  - cosmological constant ( model B )
- Nucleon and electron mass proportional to Planck mass
- Neutrino mass has different dependence on scalar field



# Model A

- Inflation : Universe expands
- Radiation : Universe shrinks
- Matter : Universe shrinks
- Dark Energy : Universe expands

# Model B

- Inflation : Universe expands
- Radiation : Static Minkowski space
- Matter : Universe expands
- Dark Energy : Universe expands

# Compatibility with observations

- Both models lead to same predictions for radiation, matter, and Dark Energy domination, despite the very different expansion history
- Different inflation models:  
A:  $n=0.97$ ,  $r=0.13$     B:  $n=0.95$ ,  $r=0.04$
- Almost same prediction for radiation, matter, and Dark Energy domination as  $\Lambda$ CDM
- Presence of small fraction of Early Dark Energy
- Large neutrino lumps

# Cosmon inflation

Unified picture of inflation and  
dynamical dark energy

Cosmon and inflaton are the same field



# Quintessence

Dynamical dark energy ,  
generated by scalar field  
(cosmon)

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**Prediction :**

**homogeneous dark energy  
influences recent cosmology**

**- of same order as dark matter -**

Original models do not fit the present observations  
.... modifications

# Merits of variable gravity models

- Economical setting
- No big bang singularity
- Arrow of time
- Simple initial conditions for inflation

# Model A

$$S = \int_x \sqrt{g} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \chi^2 R + \frac{1}{2} K(\chi) \partial^\mu \chi \partial_\mu \chi + V(\chi) \right\}$$

$$V(\chi) = \mu^2 \chi^2$$

$$\mu = 2 \cdot 10^{-33} \text{ eV}$$

$$K(\chi) = \frac{4}{\tilde{\alpha}^2} \frac{m^2}{m^2 + \chi^2} + \frac{4}{\alpha^2} \frac{\chi^2}{m^2 + \chi^2} - 6$$



# Scalar field equation:

additional force from R counteracts  
potential gradient : increasing  $\chi$  !

scalar field eq.

$$-D_{\mu}(K \partial^{\mu} \chi) = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial \chi} + R\chi$$

Robertson-Walker metric

$$K \left( \ddot{\chi} + 3H\dot{\chi} + \frac{\partial \ln K}{\partial \chi} \dot{\chi}^2 \right) = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial \chi} + R\chi$$

# Modified Einstein equation

New term with derivatives of scalar field

gravitational field eq.

$$\chi^2 \left( R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} R g_{\mu\nu} \right) + (\chi^2)_{;\rho}^{\rho} g_{\mu\nu} - (\chi^2)_{;\mu\nu} \\ + \frac{1}{2} K \partial^{\rho} \chi \partial_{\rho} \chi g_{\mu\nu} - K \partial_{\mu} \chi \partial_{\nu} \chi + V g_{\mu\nu} = T_{\mu\nu}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\chi^2 R = 3(\chi^2)_{;\mu}^{\mu} + K \partial^{\mu} \chi \partial_{\mu} \chi + 4V - T_{\mu}^{\mu}$$

# Curvature scalar and Hubble parameter

Robertson Walker metric

$$\chi^2 R = 4V - (K+6)\dot{\chi}^2 - 6\chi\ddot{\chi} - 18H\chi\dot{\chi} - T_{\mu}^{\mu}$$

$$(\chi^2)_{;\rho}^{\rho} = -2\dot{\chi}^2 - 2\chi\ddot{\chi} - 6H\chi\dot{\chi}$$

0-0-component

$$3\chi^2 H^2 + 6H\chi\dot{\chi} = \frac{1}{2}K\dot{\chi}^2 + V + T_{00}$$

# Scaling solutions

( for constant  $K$  )

$$H = b\mu \ , \ \chi = \chi_0 \exp(c\mu t).$$

Four different scaling solutions for  
inflation, radiation domination,  
matter domination and  
Dark Energy domination



# Scalar dominated epoch, inflation

$$c = \pm \frac{2}{\sqrt{(K+6)(3K+16)}}$$

$$K > -\frac{16}{3}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} b &= \pm \sqrt{\frac{1}{3} + \frac{K+6}{6}c^2} - c \\ &= \pm \frac{K+4}{\sqrt{(K+6)(3K+16)}} = \frac{K+4}{2}c. \end{aligned}$$

Universe expands for  $K > 4$ , shrinks for  $K < 4$ .

# No big bang singularity

$$R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = b^2 \mu^2 (g_{\mu\rho} g_{\nu\sigma} - g_{\mu\sigma} g_{\nu\rho})$$

# Radiation domination

$$c = \frac{2}{\sqrt{K+6}}$$

$$b = -\frac{c}{2}$$

**Universe  
shrinks !**

$$T_{00} = \rho = \bar{\rho} \mu^2 \chi^2$$

$$\bar{\rho}_r = -3 \frac{K+5}{K+6}$$

$$K < -5$$

# scaling of particle masses

mass of electron or nucleon is proportional to variable Planck mass  $\chi$  !

effective potential for Higgs doublet  $h$

$$\tilde{V}_h = \frac{1}{2} \lambda_h (\tilde{h}^\dagger \tilde{h} - \epsilon_h \chi^2)^2$$



# cosmon coupling to matter

$$-D_{\mu}(K\partial^{\mu}\chi) = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial\chi} + \frac{1}{2}\frac{\partial F}{\partial\chi}R + q_{\chi},$$

$$q_{\chi} = -(\rho - 3p)/\chi$$

# Matter domination

$$c = \sqrt{\frac{2}{K+6}},$$

$$b = -\frac{1}{3}\sqrt{\frac{2}{K+6}} = -\frac{1}{3}c,$$

**Universe  
shrinks !**

$$\bar{\rho}_m = -\frac{2(3K+14)}{3(K+6)}$$

$$K < -14/3$$

# Dark Energy domination

neutrino masses scale  
differently from electron mass

$$m_\nu = \bar{c}_\nu \chi^{2\tilde{\gamma}+1}$$

$$\chi q_\chi = -(2\tilde{\gamma} + 1)(\rho_\nu - 3p_\nu)$$

$$\frac{\rho_\nu}{\chi^2} = \bar{\rho}_\nu \mu^2$$

$$b = \frac{1}{3}(2\tilde{\gamma} - 1)c$$

new scaling solution. not yet reached.  
at present : transition period

# Model B

$$\Gamma = \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} F(\chi) R + \frac{1}{2} K(\chi) \partial^\mu \chi \partial_\mu \chi + V(\chi) \right\}$$

$$F(\chi) = \chi^2 + m^2, \quad V(\chi) = \bar{\lambda}_c$$

$$\frac{\bar{\lambda}_c}{M^4} \approx 7 \cdot 10^{-121}, \quad (\bar{\lambda}_c)^{1/4} = 2 \cdot 10^{-3} eV$$

$$K + 6 = \frac{16}{\tilde{\alpha}^2} \frac{m^2}{m^2 + \chi^2} + \frac{16}{\alpha^2} \frac{\chi^2}{m^2 + \chi^2}$$

# Radiation domination

Flat static Minkowski space !  $H=0$  !

$$\chi = 2\sqrt{\frac{\lambda_c}{K+6}}(t + t_0).$$

exact regular solution ! (constant  $K$ )

constant energy  
density

$$\frac{\bar{\rho}}{\bar{\lambda}_c} = -\frac{3(K+2)}{K+6}$$

$$K < -2.$$

# Matter domination

$$H = \frac{1}{3}\dot{s}.$$

$$\dot{\chi}^2 = \frac{2}{K+6}\bar{\lambda}_c$$

$$\frac{14-3K}{6}\dot{\chi}^2 = \bar{\lambda}_c + \bar{\rho}$$

$$\frac{\bar{\rho}}{\lambda_c} = -\frac{2(2+3K)}{3(K+6)}$$

$$K < -\frac{2}{3}$$

# Weyl scaling

$$\Gamma = \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \left\{ -\frac{M^2}{2} R + \frac{k^2}{2} \partial^\mu \varphi \partial_\mu \varphi + M^4 \exp \left( -\frac{\alpha \varphi}{M} \right) \right\}$$

$$k^2 = \frac{\alpha^2 (K + 6)}{4}.$$

$$\varphi = \frac{2M}{\alpha} \ln \left( \frac{\chi}{\mu} \right)$$

# Kinetic

$$k^2(\varphi) = \left( \frac{\alpha^2}{\tilde{\alpha}^2} - 1 \right) \frac{m^2}{m^2 + \mu^2 \exp(\alpha\varphi/M)} + 1.$$

scalar  $\sigma$  with  
standard normalization

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\varphi} = k(\varphi).$$

$$\Gamma = \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \left\{ -\frac{M^2}{2} R \right. \\ \left. + \frac{k^2}{2} \partial^\mu \varphi \partial_\mu \varphi + M^4 \exp\left(-\frac{\alpha\varphi}{M}\right) \right\}$$
$$k^2 = \frac{\alpha^2(K+6)}{4}.$$



# Inflation : Slow roll parameters

$$\epsilon = \frac{M^2}{2} \left( \frac{\partial \ln V}{\partial \sigma} \right)^2 = \frac{M^2}{2k^2} \left( \frac{\partial \ln V}{\partial \varphi} \right)^2 = \frac{\alpha^2}{2k^2}$$

$$\eta = \frac{M^2}{V} \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial \sigma^2} = 2\epsilon - \frac{M}{\alpha} \frac{\partial \epsilon}{\partial \varphi}$$

For large  $\alpha \gg 1$  and small  $\tilde{\alpha} \ll 1$  we can approximate

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon &= \frac{\tilde{\alpha}^2}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{\mu^2}{m^2} \exp(\alpha\varphi/M) \right), \\ \eta &= \epsilon + \frac{\tilde{\alpha}^2}{2}.\end{aligned}$$

End of inflation  
at  $\epsilon = 1$

$$\exp\left(\frac{\alpha\varphi_f}{M}\right) = \frac{2m^2}{\tilde{\alpha}^2\mu^2}$$

# Number of e-foldings before end of inflation

$$\begin{aligned} N(\varphi) &= \frac{1}{\alpha M} \int_{\varphi}^{\varphi_f} d\varphi' k^2(\varphi') \\ &= \frac{\alpha(\varphi_f - \varphi)}{\tilde{\alpha}^2 M} - \left( \frac{1}{\tilde{\alpha}^2} - \frac{1}{\alpha^2} \right) \ln \left( \frac{m^2 + \mu^2 \exp(\alpha\varphi_f/M)}{m^2 + \mu^2 \exp(\alpha\varphi/M)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$\varepsilon$ ,  $\eta$ ,  $N$  can all be computed from kinetic alone

# Spectral index and tensor to scalar ratio

Model A

$$\begin{aligned}n &= 1 - 6\epsilon + 2\eta = 1 - \frac{2}{N} \\r &= 16\epsilon = \frac{8}{N} = 4(1 - n).\end{aligned}$$

$$n \approx 0.97 \ , \ r \approx 0.13$$

# Amplitude of density fluctuations

$$24\pi^2 \Delta^2 = \frac{V}{\epsilon M^4} = 2N \exp\left(-\frac{\alpha\varphi}{M}\right) \approx 5 \cdot 10^{-7}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \exp\left(-\frac{\alpha\varphi}{M}\right) &\approx 4 \cdot 10^{-9}, \\ \frac{\tilde{\alpha}^2 \mu^2}{m^2} &\approx \frac{2}{3} \cdot 10^{-10} \end{aligned}$$

# Einstein frame , model B

$$\varphi = \frac{M}{\alpha} \ln \frac{(\chi^2 + m^2)^2}{\bar{\lambda}_c}$$

$$\mathbf{k}^2 = 1 + \alpha^2 \left( \frac{1}{\tilde{\alpha}^2} - \frac{3}{8} \right) \frac{m^2}{\chi^2}$$

for large  $\chi$  :  
no difference to model A

$$\Gamma = \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \left\{ -\frac{M^2}{2} R + \frac{k^2}{2} \partial^\mu \varphi \partial_\mu \varphi + M^4 \exp \left( -\frac{\alpha \varphi}{M} \right) \right\}$$

# inflation model B

approximate relation between  $r$  and  $n$

$$r = \frac{16(1 - n) \exp(-N(1 - n))}{1 - 3[N(1 - n) - 1] \exp(-N(1 - n))}$$

$$n=0.95 \quad , \quad r=0.035$$

# conclusion 1

cosmon inflation :

- compatible with observation
- simple
- no big bang singularity
- stability of solution singles out arrow of time
- simple initial conditions

$$\Gamma = \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} F(\chi) R + \frac{1}{2} K(\chi) \partial^\mu \chi \partial_\mu \chi + V(\chi) \right\}$$

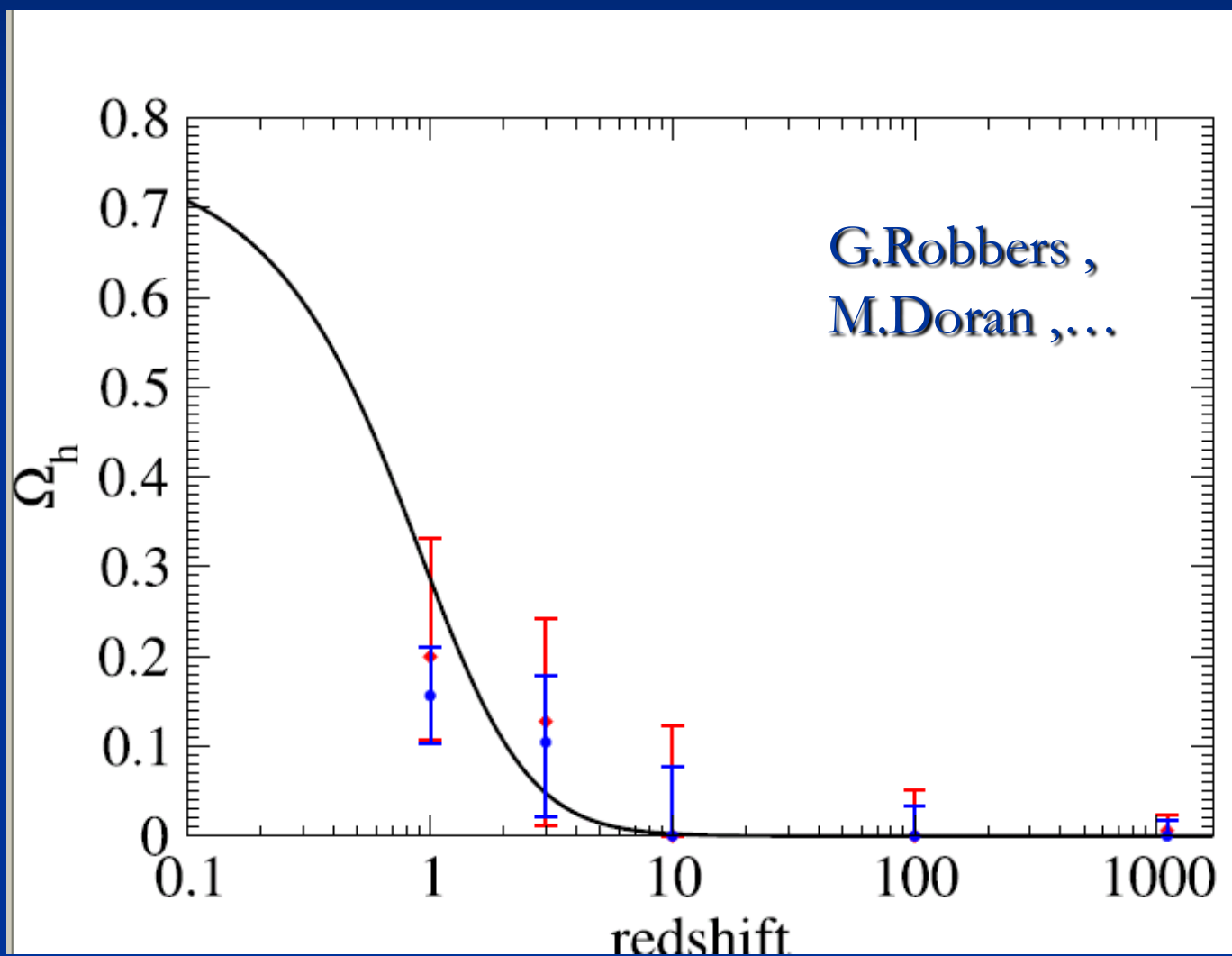
$$F(\chi) = \chi^2 + m^2, \quad V(\chi) = \bar{\lambda}_c$$

# Growing neutrino quintessence



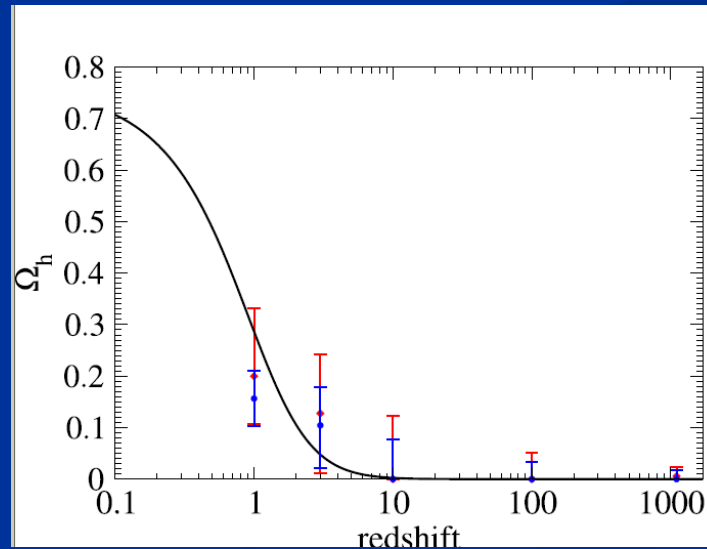


# Observational bounds on $\Omega_h$



# Why now problem

Why does fraction in Dark Energy increase in present cosmological epoch ,  
and not much earlier or much later ?



# Why neutrinos may play a role

## Mass scales :

Dark Energy density :  $\rho \sim (2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV})^{-4}$ .

Neutrino mass : eV or below.

**Cosmological trigger** : Neutrinos became non-relativistic only in the late Universe .

**Neutrino energy density** not much smaller than Dark Energy density .

Neutrinos can have substantial **coupling to Dark Energy**.

# connection between dark energy and neutrino properties

$$[\rho_h(t_0)]^{\frac{1}{4}} = 1.27 \left( \frac{\gamma m_\nu(t_0)}{eV} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} 10^{-3} eV$$

present dark energy density given by neutrino mass

present equation  
of state given by  
neutrino mass !

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

# Neutrinos in cosmology

only small fraction of energy density



only sub-leading role ?

# Neutrino cosmon coupling

- Strong bounds on atom-cosmon coupling from tests of equivalence principle or time variation of couplings.
- No such bounds for neutrino-cosmon coupling.
- In particle physics : Mass generation mechanism for neutrinos differs from charged fermions. Seesaw mechanism involves heavy particles whose mass may depend on the value of the cosmon field.

# neutrino mass

$$M_\nu = M_D M_R^{-1} M_D^T + M_L$$

$$M_L = h_L \gamma \frac{d^2}{M_t^2}$$

seesaw and  
cascade  
mechanism

triplet expectation value  $\sim$  doublet squared

$$m_\nu = \frac{h_\nu^2 d^2}{m_R} + \frac{h_L \gamma d^2}{M_t^2}$$

omit generation  
structure

# Neutrino cosmon coupling

- realized by dependence of neutrino mass on value of cosmon field

$$\beta(\varphi) = -M \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} \ln m_\nu(\varphi)$$

- $\beta \approx 1$  : cosmon mediated attractive force between neutrinos has similar strength as gravity



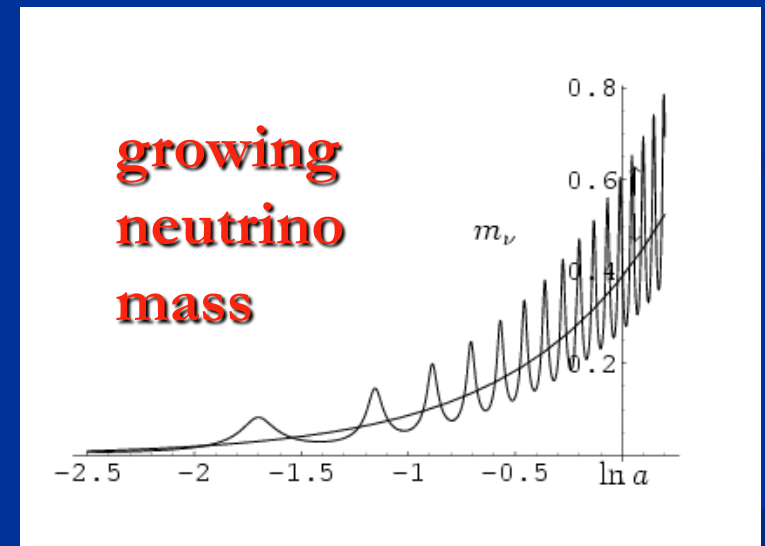
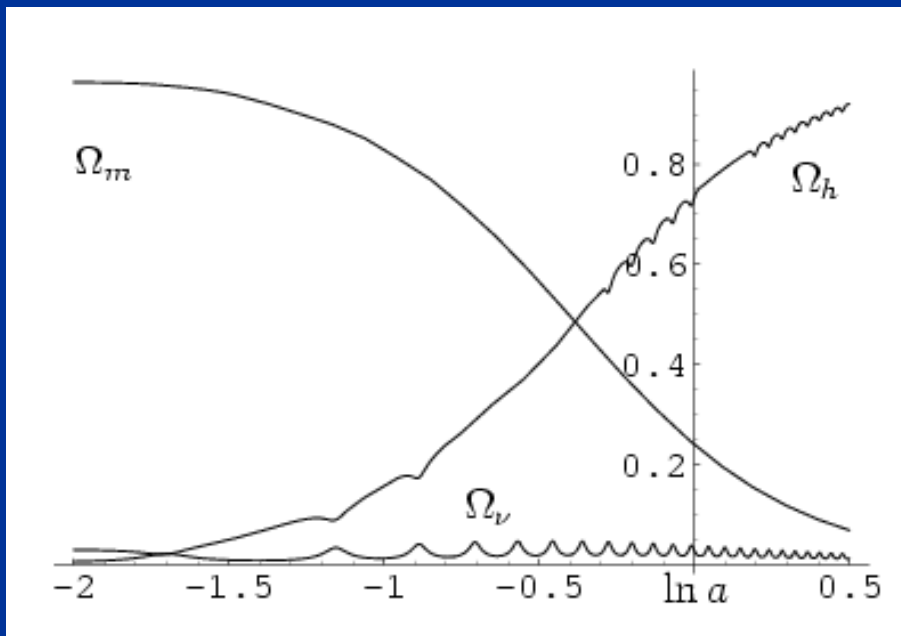
# growing neutrinos change cosmological evolution

$$\ddot{\varphi} + 3H\dot{\varphi} = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial \varphi} + \frac{\beta(\varphi)}{M}(\rho_\nu - 3p_\nu),$$
$$\beta(\varphi) = -M \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} \ln m_\nu(\varphi) = \frac{M}{\varphi - \varphi_t}$$

modification of conservation equation for neutrinos

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\rho}_\nu + 3H(\rho_\nu + p_\nu) &= -\frac{\beta(\varphi)}{M}(\rho_\nu - 3p_\nu)\dot{\varphi} \\ &= -\frac{\dot{\varphi}}{\varphi - \varphi_t}(\rho_\nu - 3p_\nu)\end{aligned}$$

# growing neutrino mass triggers transition to almost static dark energy



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effective cosmological trigger  
for stop of cosmon evolution :  
neutrinos get non-relativistic

- this has happened recently !
- sets scales for dark energy !

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# cosmological selection

- present value of dark energy density set by cosmological event :  
neutrinos become non – relativistic
- not given by ground state properties !

basic ingredient :

**cosmon coupling to neutrinos**

# Cosmon coupling to neutrinos

- can be large !

Fardon, Nelson, Weiner

- interesting effects for cosmology if neutrino mass is growing
- growing neutrinos can stop the evolution of the cosmon
- transition from early scaling solution to cosmological constant dominated cosmology

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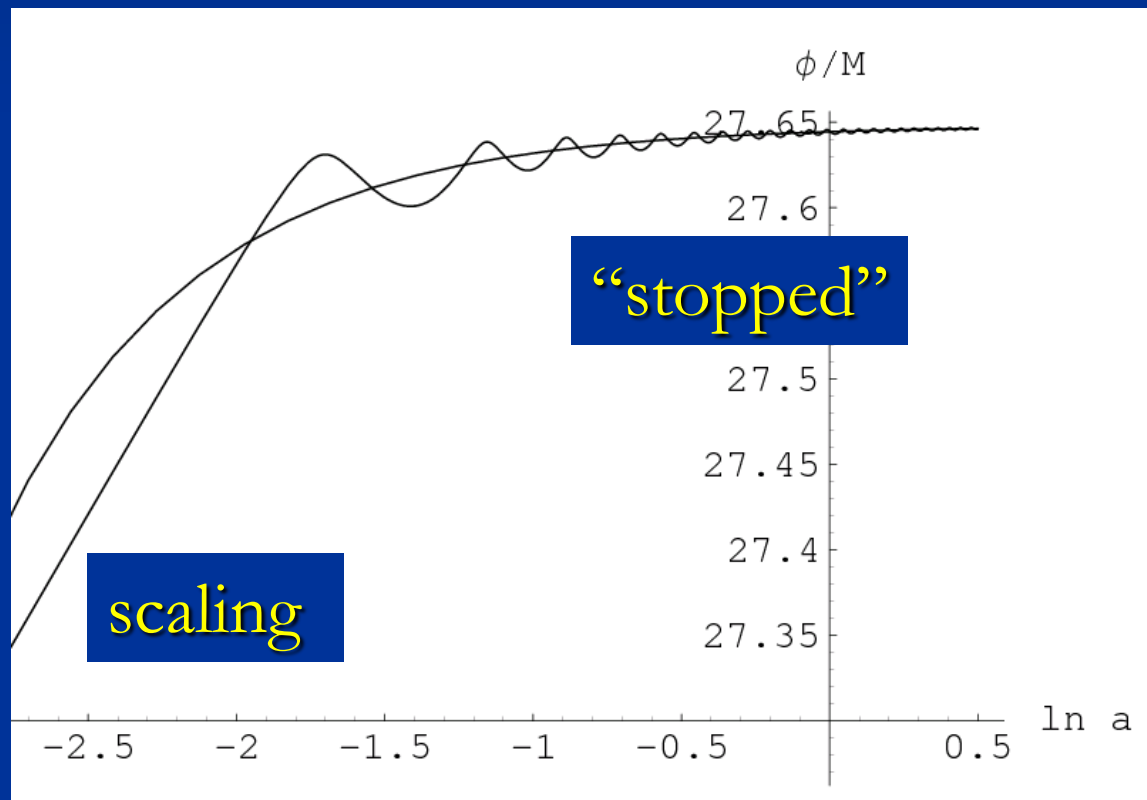
stopped scalar field  
mimicks a  
cosmological constant  
( almost ...)

rough approximation for dark energy :

- before redshift 5-6 : scaling ( dynamical )
- after redshift 5-6 : almost static  
( cosmological constant )



# cosmon evolution

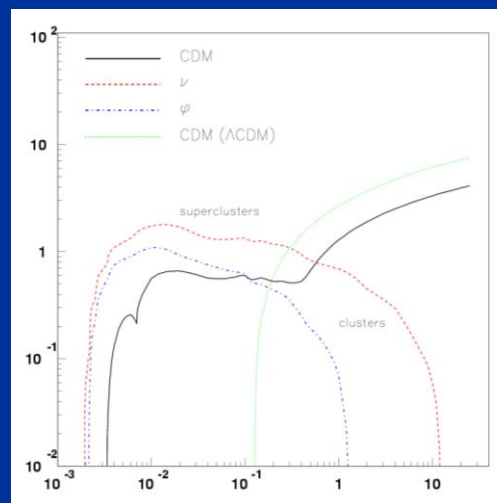
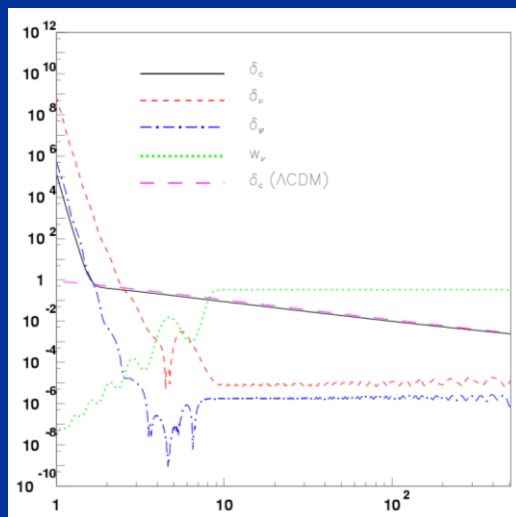


neutrino lumps

# neutrino fluctuations

neutrino structures become nonlinear at  $z \sim 1$  for  
supercluster scales

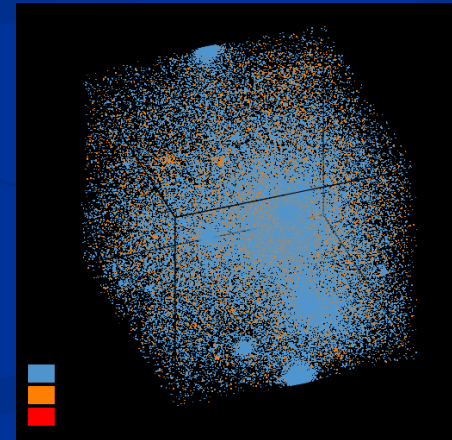
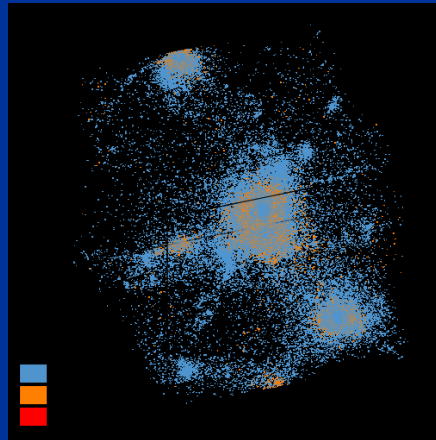
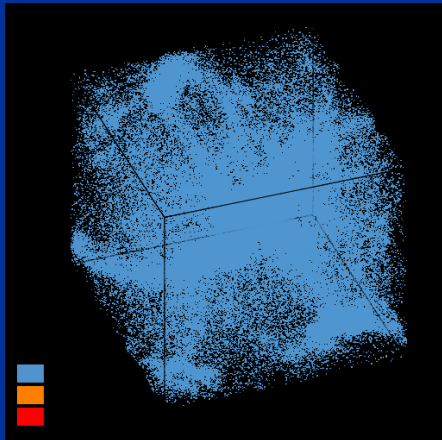
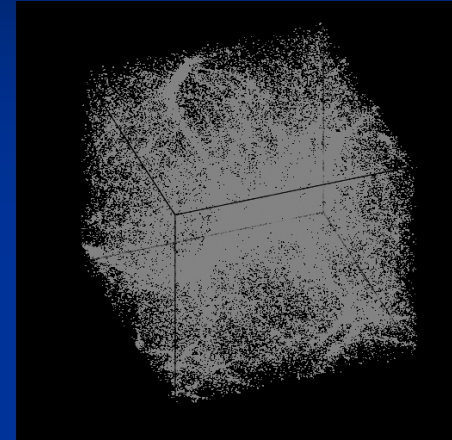
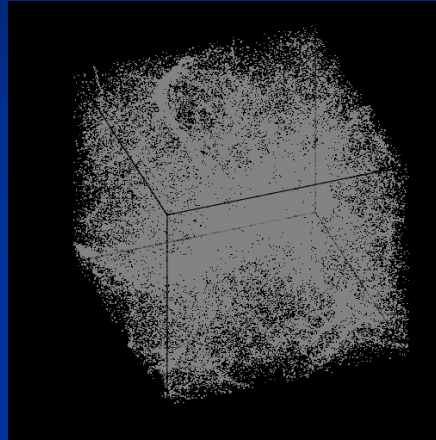
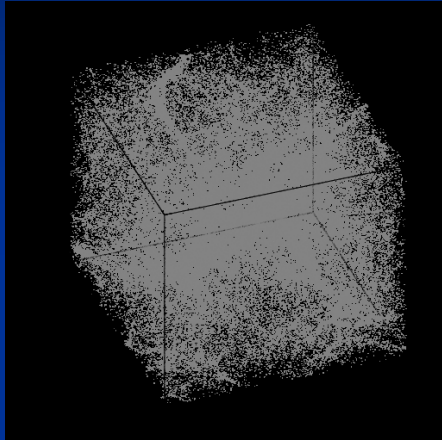
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stable neutrino-cosmon lumps exist

N.Brouzakis , N.Tetradis , ... ; O.Bertolami ; Y.Ayaita , M.Weber, ...

# Formation of neutrino lumps



N- body simulation M.Baldi et al

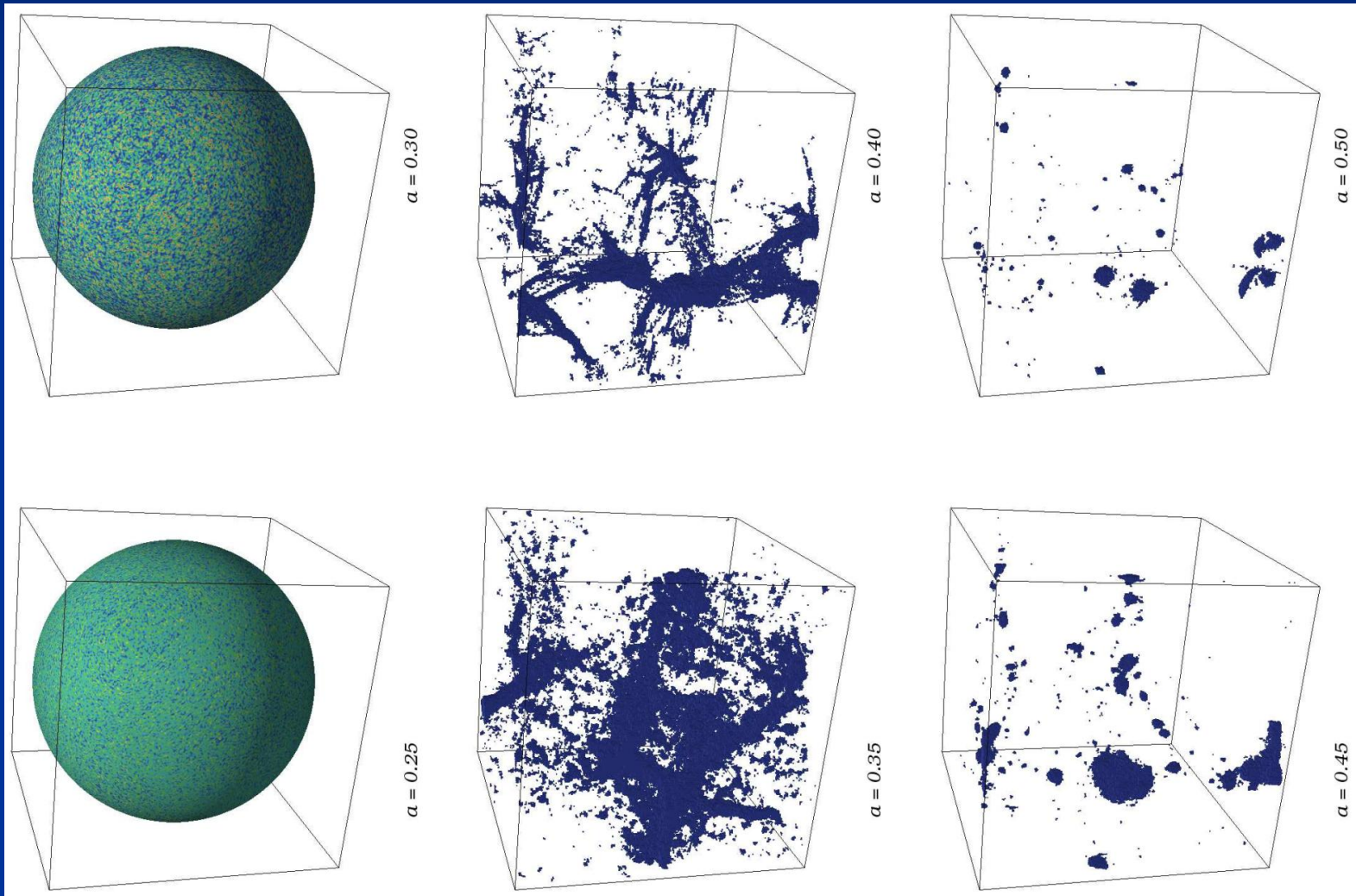
# N-body code with fully relativistic neutrinos and backreaction

one has to resolve local value of cosmon field  
and then form cosmological average;  
similar for neutrino density, dark matter and  
gravitational field

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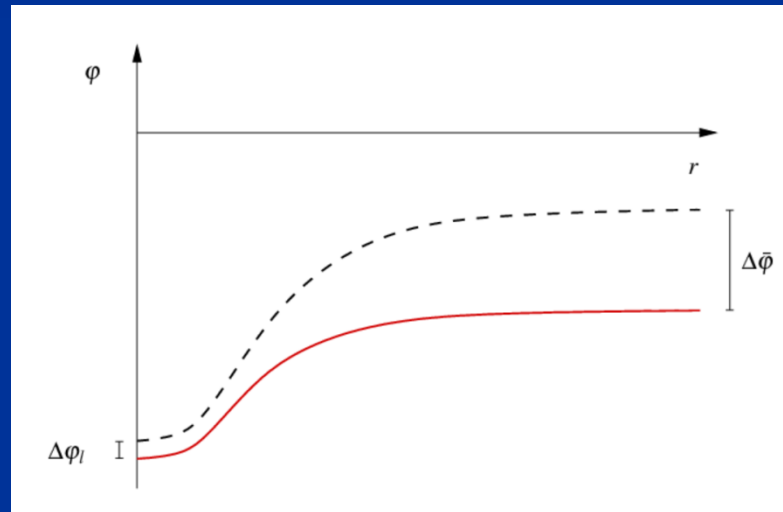
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# backreaction

cosmon field inside lumps does not follow cosmological evolution

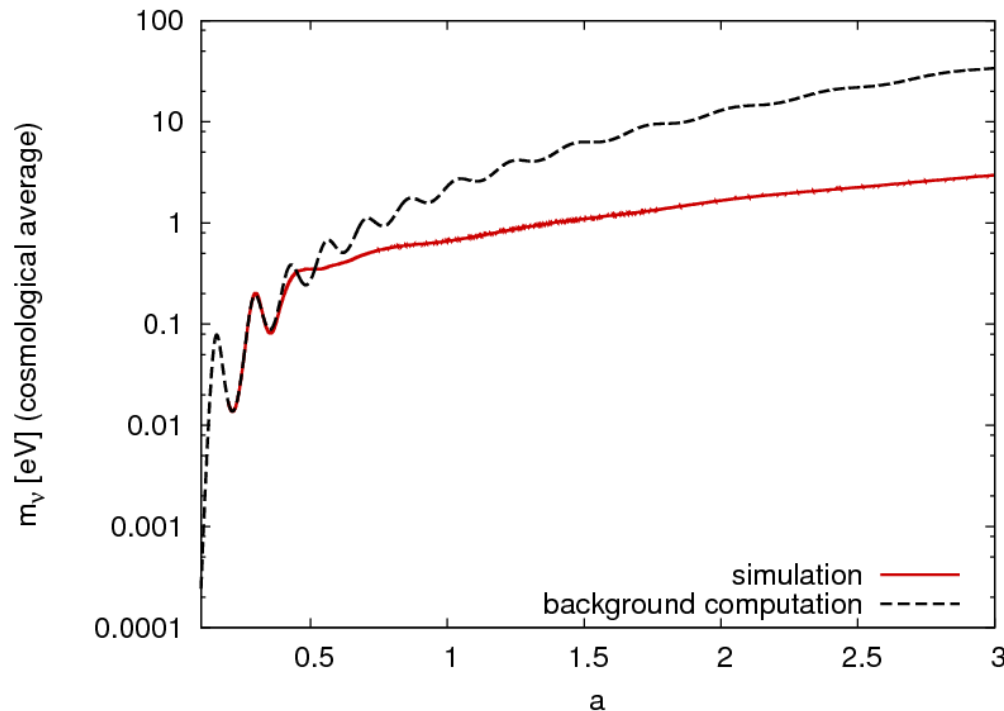


neutrino mass inside lumps smaller than  
in environment L.Schrempp, N.Nunes,...



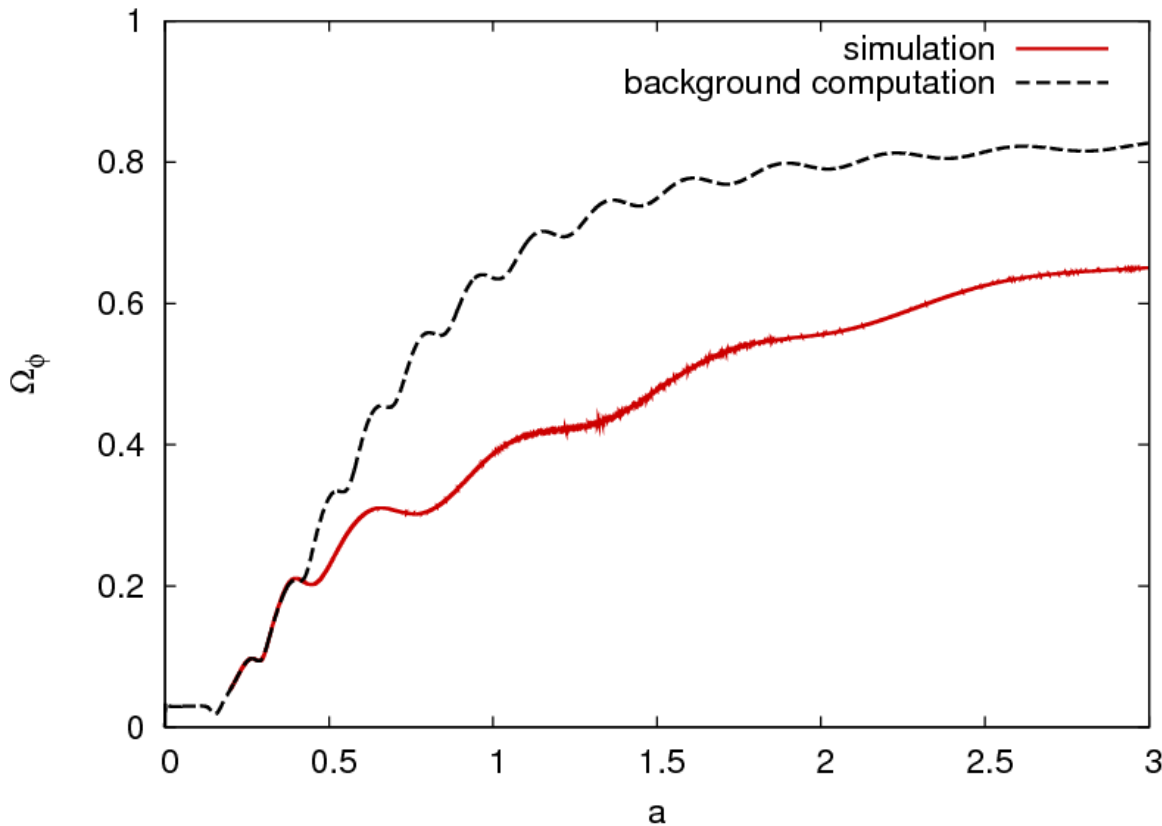
# importance of backreaction : cosmological average of neutrino mass

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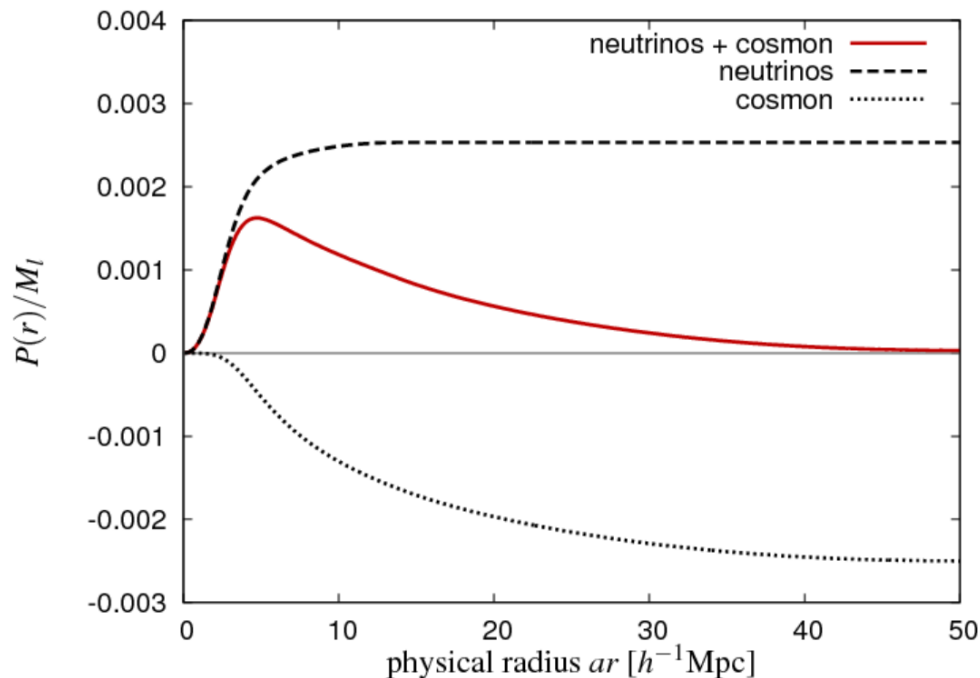


# importance of backreaction : fraction in Dark Energy

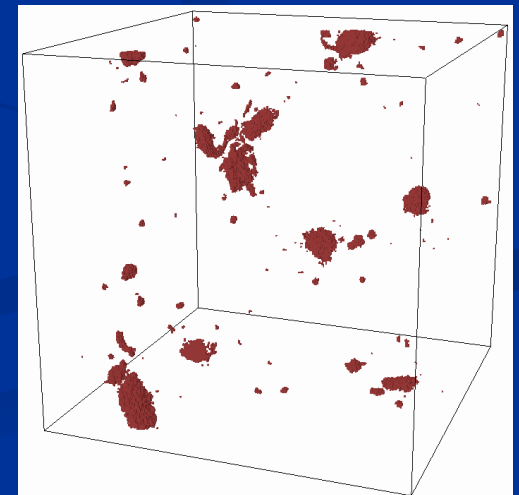


# neutrino lumps

behave as non-relativistic fluid with  
effective coupling to cosmon



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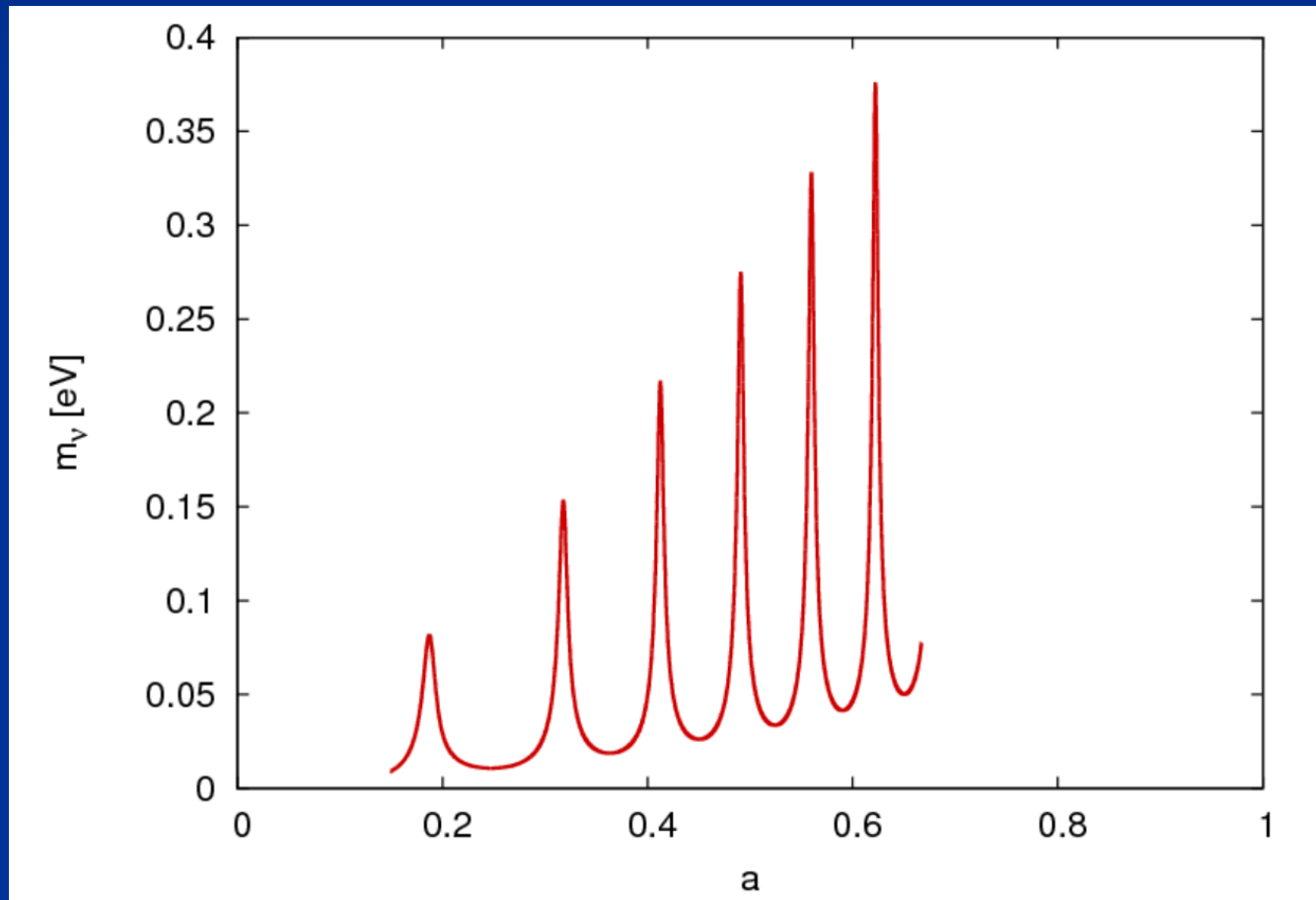


# $\varphi$ - dependent neutrino – cosmon coupling

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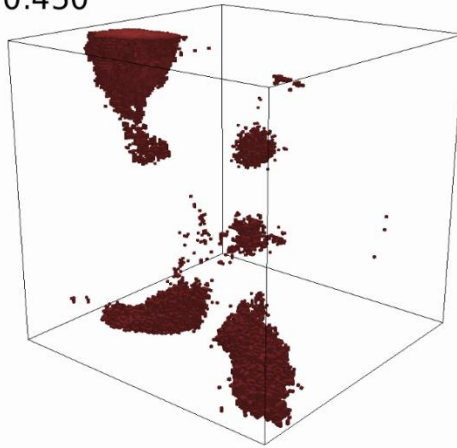
neutrino lumps form and are disrupted by  
oscillations in neutrino mass  
smaller backreaction

# oscillating neutrino mass

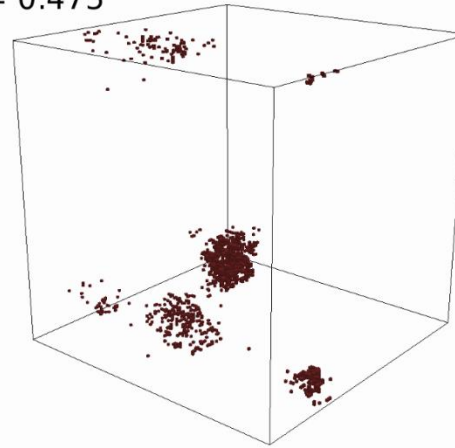


# oscillating neutrino lumps

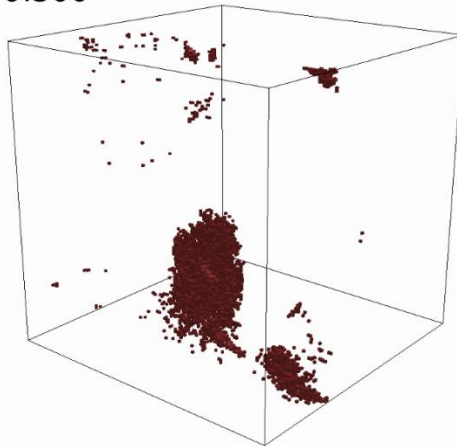
$a = 0.450$



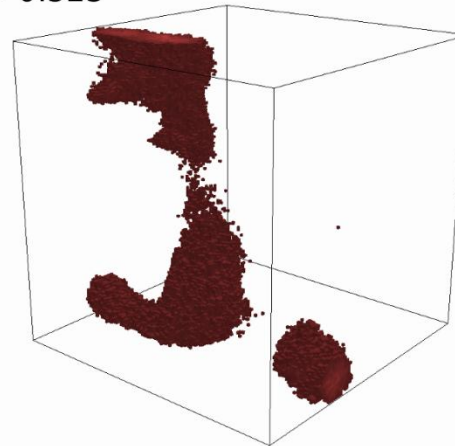
$a = 0.475$



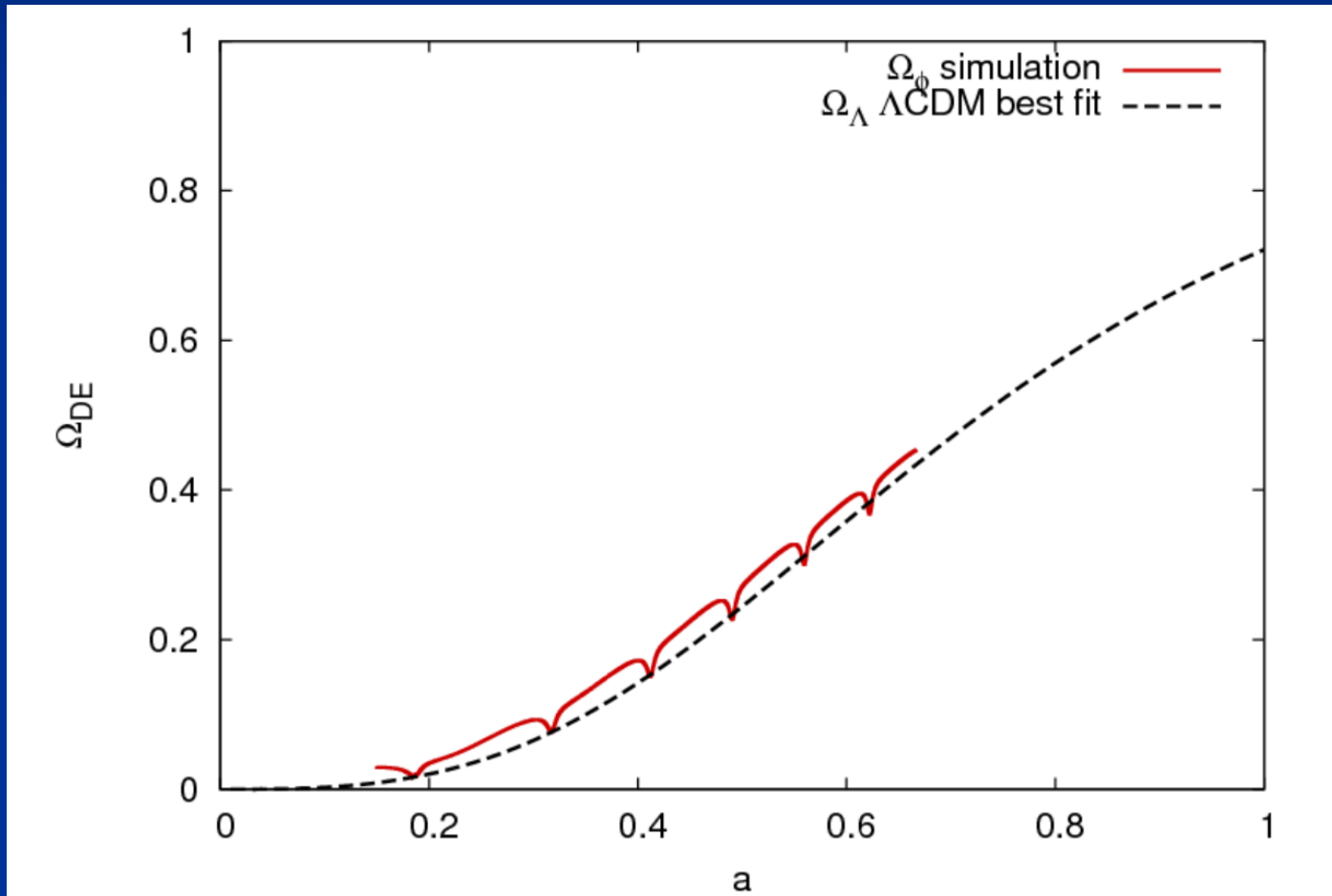
$a = 0.500$



$a = 0.525$



# small oscillations in dark energy



# conclusions

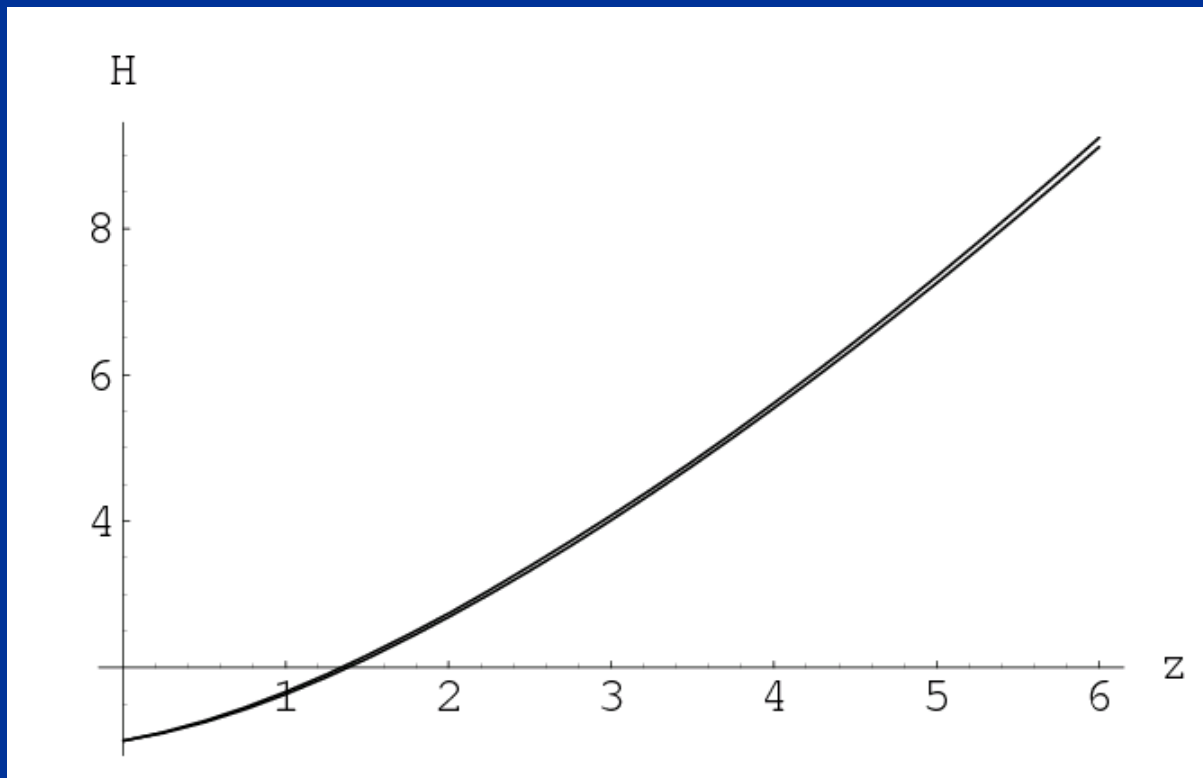
- Variable gravity cosmologies can give a simple and realistic description of Universe
- Compatible with tests of equivalence principle and bounds on variation of fundamental couplings if nucleon and electron masses are proportional to variable Planck mass
- Different cosmological dependence of neutrino mass can explain why Universe makes a transition to Dark Energy domination now
- characteristic signal : neutrino lumps

# Tests for growing neutrino quintessence



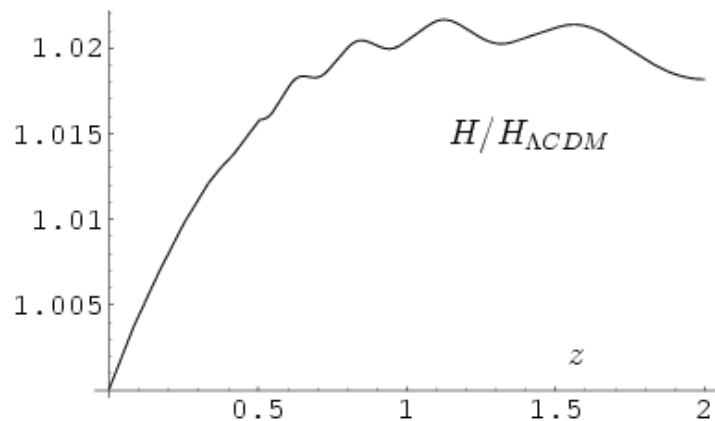
# Hubble parameter

as compared to  $\Lambda$ CDM



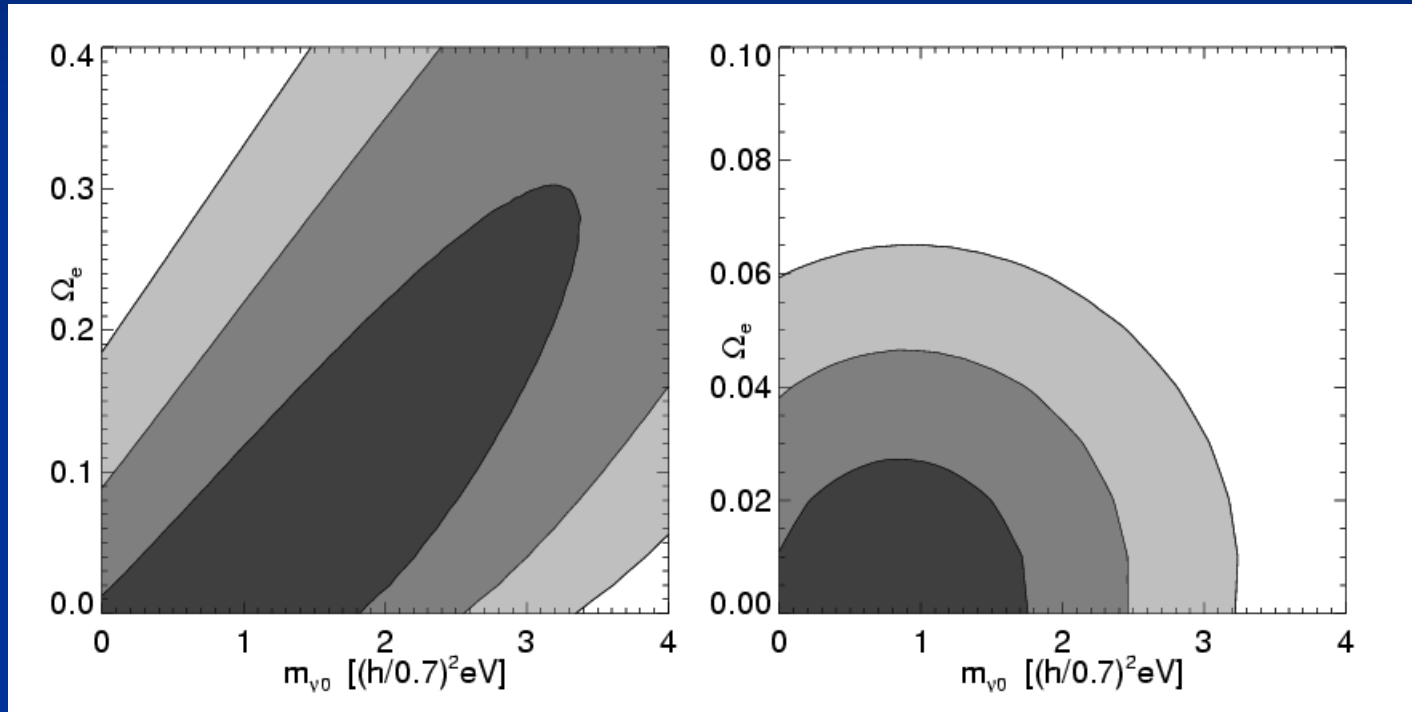
# Hubble parameter ( $z < z_c$ )

$$H^2 = \frac{1}{3M^2} \left\{ V_t + \rho_{m,0} a^{-3} + 2\tilde{\rho}_\nu,0 a^{-\frac{3}{2}} \right\}$$



only small  
difference  
from  
 $\Lambda\text{CDM}$  !

# bounds on average neutrino mass

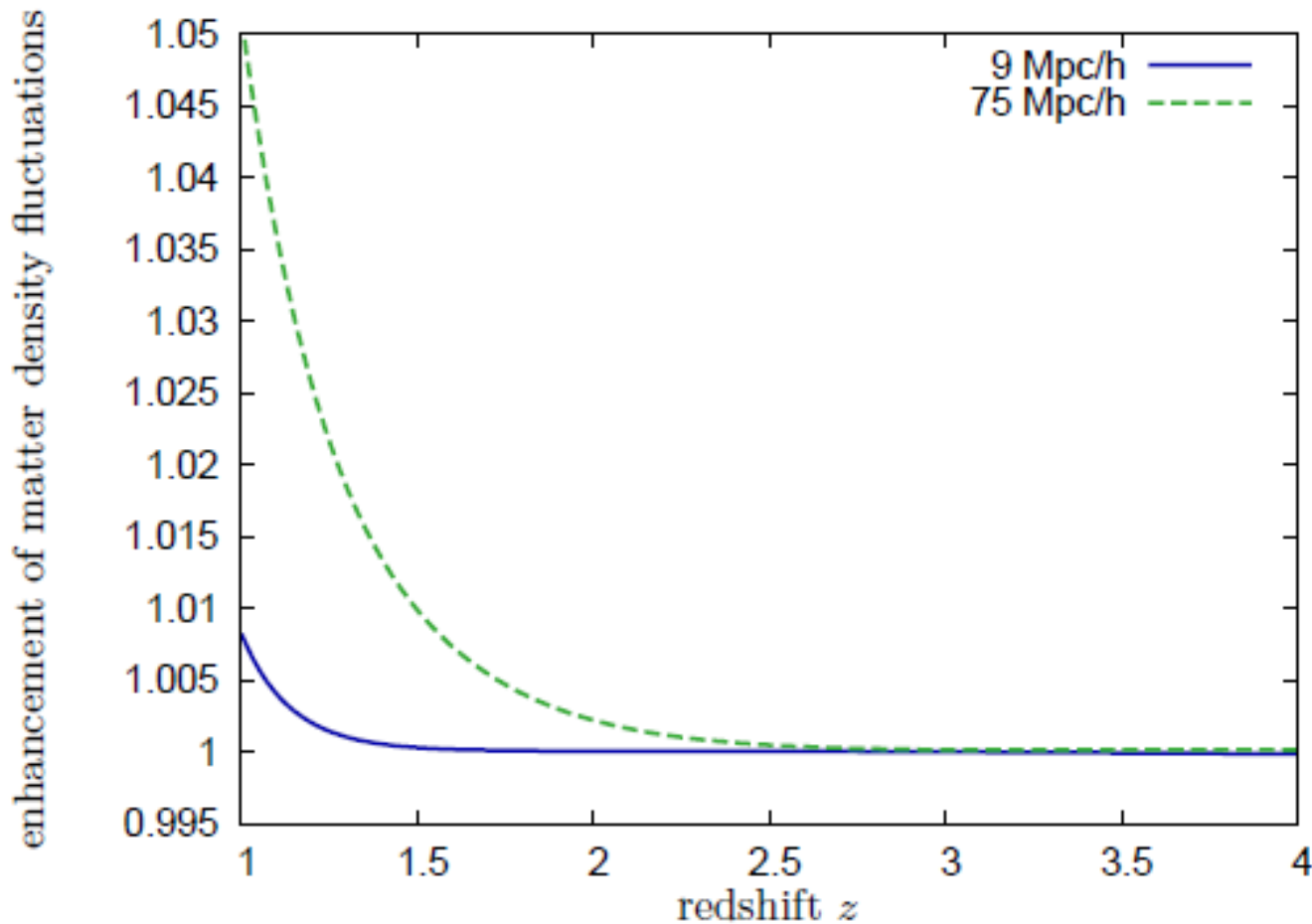


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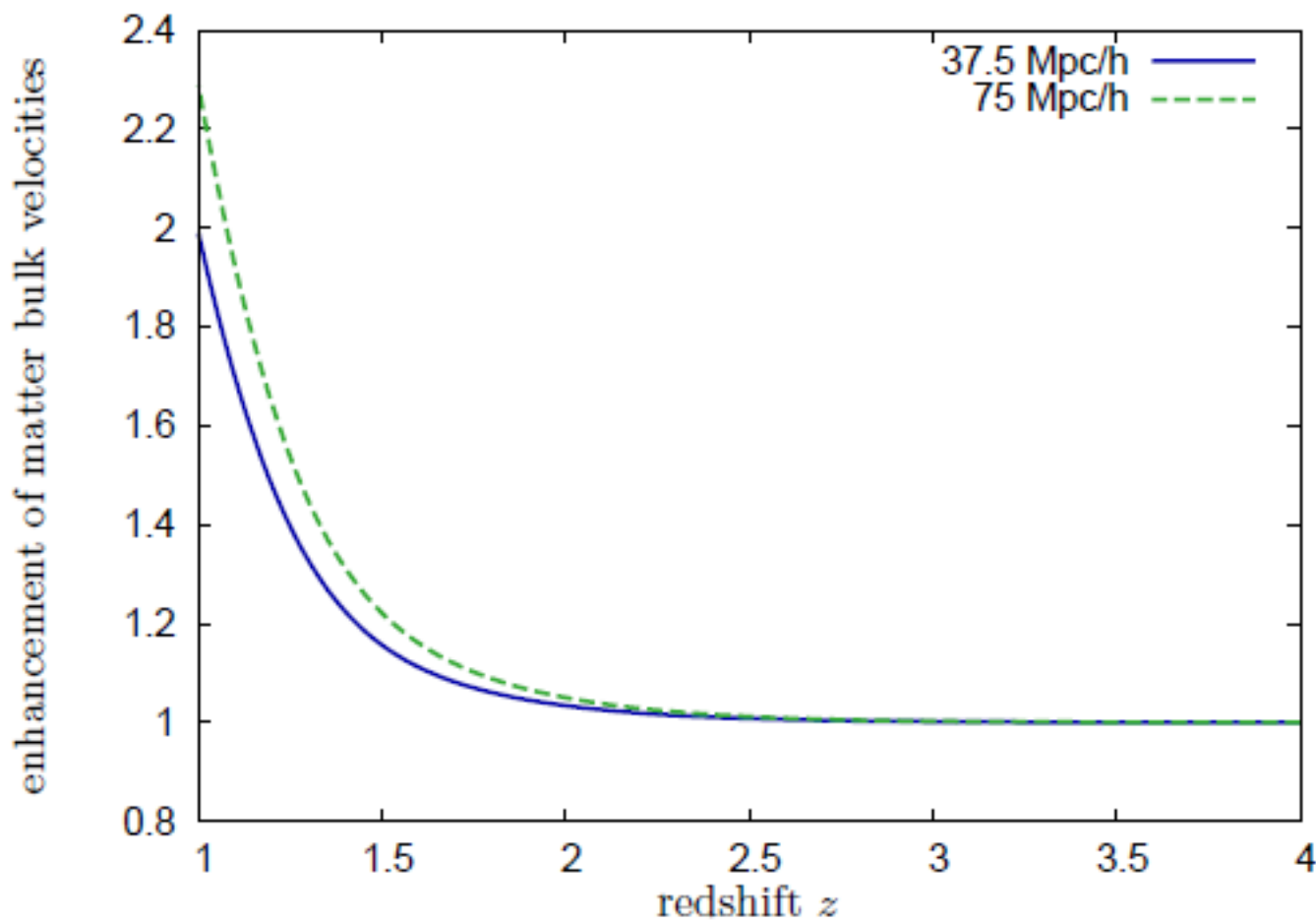
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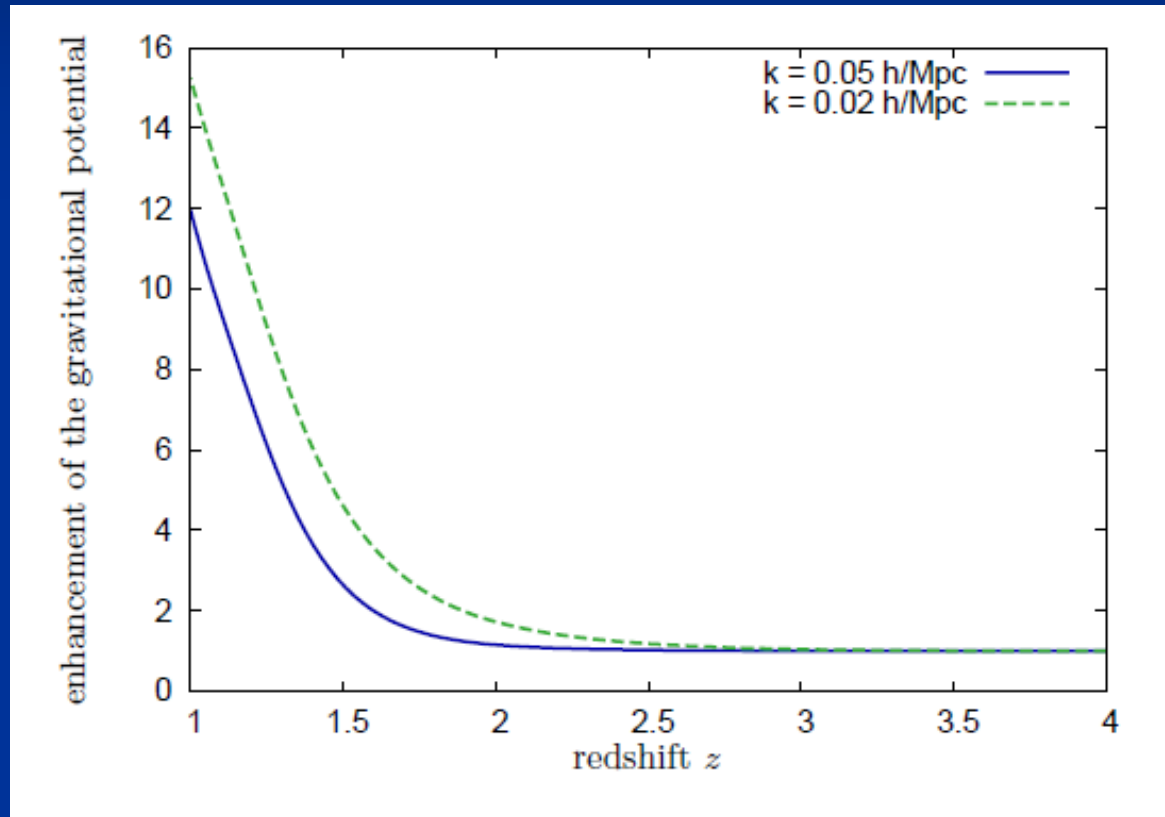
# Small induced enhancement of dark matter power spectrum at large scales



# Enhanced bulk velocities



# Enhancement of gravitational potential

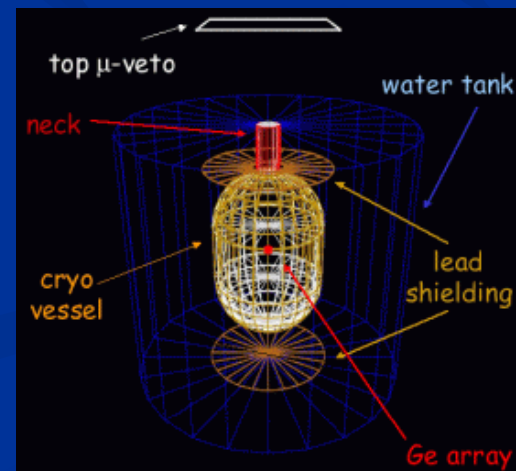


Test of allowed parameter space by ISW effect

# Can time evolution of neutrino mass be observed ?

Experimental determination of neutrino mass may turn out higher than cosmological upper bound in model with constant neutrino mass

( KATRIN, neutrino-less double beta decay )



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# Conclusions

- Cosmic event triggers qualitative change in evolution of cosmon
- Cosmon stops changing after neutrinos become non-relativistic
- Explains why now
- Cosmological selection
- Model can be distinguished from cosmological constant




The background is a solid dark blue color. On the right side, there are several faint, wavy, light blue lines that curve upwards and outwards, creating a sense of movement or a stylized landscape feature like a hill or a wave.

End

strong effective  
neutrino – cosmon coupling  
for  $\varphi \rightarrow \varphi_t$

$$\beta(\varphi) = -M \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} \ln m_\nu(\varphi) = \frac{M}{\varphi - \varphi_t}$$

typical present value :  $\beta \approx 50$    
cosmon mediated attraction between neutrinos  
is about  $50^2$  stronger than gravitational attraction

## early scaling solution ( tracker solution )

$$V(\varphi) = M^4 \exp \left( -\alpha \frac{\varphi}{M} \right)$$

$$\varphi = \varphi_0 + (2M/\alpha) \ln(t/t_0)$$

$$\Omega_{h,e} = \frac{n}{\alpha^2}$$

neutrino mass unimportant in early cosmology

# dark energy fraction determined by neutrino mass

$$\Omega_h(t_0) \approx \frac{\gamma m_\nu(t_0)}{16eV}$$

$$\gamma = -\frac{\beta}{\alpha}$$

constant neutrino - cosmon coupling  $\beta$

$$\Omega_h(t_0) \approx -\frac{\epsilon}{\alpha} \frac{m_\nu(t_0)}{\bar{m}_\nu} \frac{m_\nu(t_0)}{16eV}$$

variable neutrino - cosmon coupling

# effective stop of cosmon evolution

cosmon evolution almost stops once

- neutrinos get non-relativistic
- $\beta$  gets large

$$\ddot{\varphi} + 3H\dot{\varphi} = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial \varphi} + \frac{\beta(\varphi)}{M}(\rho_\nu - 3p_\nu)$$

$$\beta(\varphi) = -M \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} \ln m_\nu(\varphi) = \frac{M}{\varphi - \varphi_t}$$

$$m_\nu(\varphi) = \frac{\beta(\varphi)}{\epsilon} \bar{m}_\nu$$

**This always  
happens  
for  $\varphi \rightarrow \varphi_t$  !**

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