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# Testing General Relativity and the Copernican principle

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## Interpretation of cosmological data

The interpretation of the dynamics of the universe and its large scale structure relies on the hypothesis that gravity is well described by General Relativity

## **Galaxy rotation curves**

Introduction of *Dark Matter* <u>Einsteinian</u> interpretation Most of the time <u>Newtonian</u> interpretation

## Acceleration of the cosmic expansion

Introduction of *Dark Energy* <u>Einsteinian</u> interpretation But more important <u>Friedmanian</u> interpretation

This raises many questions concerning our cosmological model.

## **Cosmological models**



In agreement with all the data.

# **Underlying hypothesis**

The standard cosmological model lies on <u>3 hypothesis</u>:

H1- Gravity is well described by general relativity
 H2- Copernican Principle

 On large scales the universe is <u>homogeneous</u> and <u>isotropic</u>

#### **Consequences**:

- **1-** The dynamics of the universe reduces to the one of the scale factor
- **2-** It is dictated by the Friedmann equations

$$egin{aligned} &3\left(H^2+rac{K}{a^2}
ight)=8\pi G
ho\ &rac{\ddot{a}}{a}=-rac{4\pi G}{3}(
ho+3P) \end{aligned}$$

 $\Omega \equiv \frac{8\pi G\rho}{3H^2}$ 

H3- Ordinary matter (standard model fields)

#### **Consequences:**

- **3-** On cosmological scales: pressureless +radiation
- **4-** The dynamics of the expansion is dictated by

$$H^2(z)/H^2_0 = \Omega^0_m(1+z)^3 + \Omega^0_r(1+z)^4 + \Omega^0_K(1+z)^2$$

## **Implications of the Copernican principle**

Independently of any theory (H1, H3), the Copernican principle implies that the geometry of the universe reduces to a(t).

## Consequences: H2

• 
$$1+z = \frac{E_{rec}}{E_{em}} \stackrel{\downarrow}{=} \frac{a_0}{a(t)}$$

• 
$$a(t) = a_0 \left[ 1 + H_0(t - t_0) - \frac{1}{2}q_0 H_0^2(t - t_0)^2 + \dots \right]$$
  
so that

$$H^2(z)/H^2_0 = 1 + (q_0 + 1)z + \mathcal{O}(z^2)$$

$$q_0 = \Omega_{m0}/2$$

### • Hubble diagram gives

- H<sub>o</sub> at small z - q<sub>o</sub>

Supernovae data (1998+) show



The expansion is now **accelerating** 

No hypothesis on gravity at this stage.

## **Λcdm (reference) model**

The simplest extension consists in introducing a cosmological constant

- constant energy density
- well defined model and completely predictive

$$ho_{\Lambda} = rac{\Lambda}{8\pi G} = - P_{\Lambda}$$





#### ACDM consistent with all current data

*Observationally*, very good *Phenomenologically*, very simple *But*: cosmological constant problem

## **ACDM: mater content**



# **Λ: problem**

## <u>Classically</u>

No problem ! New constant in the theory - measured.

#### Quantumly

Interpratation in terms of vacuum energy

$$\begin{split} \rho_{\Lambda,obs} &= \frac{\Lambda}{8\pi G} = H_0^2 M_p^2 = 10^{-47} \text{GeV}^4 \\ \rho_{\Lambda,th} &= M_{\text{fondamental}}^4 > 10^{12} \text{GeV}^4 \end{split} \end{split}$$
 Cosmological constant problem 
$$\end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \rho_{\Lambda} &> 10^{59} \rho_{\Lambda,obs} \text{ !!} \\ \Lambda_{\text{obs}} &= \Lambda_{\text{E}} + \Lambda_{\text{Q}} \ll \Lambda_{\text{Q}} \end{split}$$

The current interpretation of the cosmological data requires the need for a dark sector with

$$\Omega_r: \Omega_b: \Omega_m: \Omega_{\Lambda} \sim 10^{-3}: 1:5:14$$

This conclusion relies heavily on our hypothesis.

- Test of the Copernican principle
- New degrees of freedom [Theory]
- Test of general relativity

# Part I

# Testing the Copernican Principle

## Isotropy

Observationally, the universe seems very isotropic around us.





## **Uniformity principle**

Two possibilities to achieve this:



**Copernican Principle**: we do not occupy a particular spatial location in the universe

## **Test of the Copernican principle**

Redshift: 
$$1 + z = \frac{\lambda_{\text{rec}}}{\lambda_{\text{em}}} = \frac{a_0}{a}$$



## **Test of the Copernican principle**



## **Time drift of the redshifts**

An interesting observable is the time drift of the redshift

Homogeneous and isotropic universe

$$\dot{z} = H_0(1+z) - H(z)$$
 [S  
Typical order of magnitude (z~4) $\delta z \sim -5 imes 10^{-10}$  on  $\delta t \sim$ 

[Sandage1962, McVittie 1962]

 $10\,\mathrm{yr}$ 

Measurement of H(z)

Inhomogeneous universe

$$\dot{z} = H_0(1+z) - H(z) + rac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\sigma(z)$$

[JPU, Clarkson, Ellis, PRL (2008)]

## ELT

## At a redshift of z=4, the typical order of magnitude is

$$\delta z \sim -5 \times 10^{-10}$$
 sur  $\delta t \sim 10$  ans

Variance

[JPU, Bernardeau, Mellier, PRD (2007)]

Beyond what we can measure today  $\ensuremath{\textbf{BUT}}$ 

### ELT project:

- 60 meters of diameter
- ultrastable high resolution spectrograph (CODEX)
- 25 yrs ?
- 10 yrs of observation !



## How sensitive can such a test be?

« Popular » universe model: Lemaître-Tolman-Bondi

- spherically symetric but inhomogeneous spacetime
- i.e. spherical symetry around one worldline only : *the universe as a center*

$$ds^{2} = -dt^{2} + \frac{X^{2}(r,t)}{1+2E(r)}dr^{2} + R^{2}(r,t)d\Omega^{2}$$

Two expansion rates, a priori different

[for an off-center observer, the universe does not look isotropic]

$$H_{\perp} \equiv \frac{\dot{R}}{R}, \qquad H_{\parallel} \equiv \frac{\dot{X}}{X} = \frac{\dot{R}'}{R'}$$

The solution depends on 2 arbitrary functions of r

$$3-1=2 \qquad \begin{bmatrix} E(r) \\ t_B(r) \\ M(r) = mr^3 \\ R(r,t) \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{FL limit}} \begin{bmatrix} -kr^2 & k = \text{cst.} \\ 0 \\ m = \text{cst.} \\ a(t)r \end{bmatrix}$$

## How sensitive can such a test be?

R can be interpreted as the angular diameter distance so that, evaluated on the past light-cone:

 $R[t_*(z), r_*(z)] = D_A(z)$ 

This allows to fix one of the free functions IF DA(z) is known. *There exist a class of LTB models reproducing the*  $FL-D_A(z)$ , *i.e. the*  $FL-D_L(z)$ , *observation*.

Full reconstruction requires an extra set <u>of independant</u> data.

In that class of models, we have  $\dot{z} = (1+z)H_0 - H_\perp(z)$ 

- $D_A(z)$  and  $\delta z(z)$  allow to fully reconstruct the LTB
- Give acces to  $H_{\parallel}$  and  $H_{\perp}$

## How sensitive can such a test be?

We assume that  $8\pi G\rho(z) = 8\pi G\rho_{FL}(z) = 3\Omega_{m0}H_0^2(1+z)^3$ 

i.e. same  $D_L(z)$  & same matter profile BUT NO cosmological constant



## Prospective

•The time drift of the cosmological redshift is potentially a good way to constrain the Copernican principle.

[It gives access to some information outside the light-cone]

- •Other possibilities in the litterature:
  - CMB polarisation [Goodman (1995), Caldwell & Stebbins (2009), Abramo & JPU (2010)]
  - Measurement of the curvature

[Clarkson, Basset & Lu (2008)]

•Recently:

Investigation of the evolution of perturbation shows that the growth rate of the large scale structure is also very sensitive [depends on the spacetime structure inside the light-cone.]



# Introducing new physical degrees of freedom

Some theoretical insight

## Universality classes of extensions



## New matter vs modification of GR



# Extensions

#### Any of these extensions requires new-degrees of freedom

we always have new matter fields distinction matter/gravity is a Newtonian notion

MATTER: amount imposed by initial conditions

This matter dominates matter content and triggers acceleration (**dark energy**) This matter clusters and generates potential wells (**dark matter**)

<u>GRAVITY:</u> ordinary matter « generates » an effective dark matter halo « induces » an effective dark energy fluid

#### We would like to determine

the nature of these degrees of freedom the nature of their couplings

If they are light and if they couple to ordinary matter *responsible for a long range interaction* 

# In which regime

• Usually, we distinguish *weak-strong field* regimes



• Corrective terms in the action have to be compared to R



Also discussed in distinguishing *large-small distances* 

### **Static configuation:**

these limits are related because main dependance is (M,r) acceleration may also be the best parameter (e.g. rotation curves)

#### **Cosmology:**

<u>background level</u>: R increases with z <u>perturbation</u>: always in weak field but at late time, we can have high curvature corrections

## **Parameter space**

Tests of general relativity on astrophysical scales are needed

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

Solar system:

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

**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:** 

$$a < a_0 \sim 10^{-8} {
m cm.s}^{-2}$$
 $a^2 = \phi R < a_0^2$  [Psaltis, 0806.1531]



## **Modifying GR**

The number of modifications are numerous.

I restrict to field theory.

We can require the followin 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!

The regimes in which we need to modify GR to explain DE and DM are different.

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DM case: we need a force \sim 1/r
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a priori easy:
- consider V(φ) = - 2a<sup>2</sup>e<sup>-bφ</sup> [Not bounded from below]
- static configuration: Δφ =V'(φ) and thus φ = (2/b)ln(abr)
But:
The constant (2/b) has to be identified with M<sup>1/2</sup> !!
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[see PRD76 (2007) 124012]

#### **DE case:**

Coincidence problem ST: 2 free functions that can be determine to reproduce H(z) and  $D_+(z)$ .

	bgd	bgd + Newt. pert.	bgd + Newt. pert. + Solar syst.
DGP vs quintessence	Y	Ν	N
DGP vs scalar-tensor	Y	?	N

At quadratic order

$$S_g = rac{c^3}{16\pi G} \int (R + lpha C_{\mu
u
ho\sigma}^2 + eta R^2 + \gamma GB) \sqrt{-g} d^4x$$

• 
$$GB = R^2_{\mu
u
ho\sigma} - 4R^2_{\mu
u} + R^2$$
 does not contribute to the field eqs.



$$\frac{1}{p^2 + \alpha p^4} = \frac{1}{p^2} \bigoplus_{\substack{p^2 + \alpha^{-1} \\ \downarrow \\ massless \text{ graviton}}} \frac{1}{p^2 + \alpha^{-1}} \bigoplus_{\substack{p^2 + \alpha^{-1} \\ \downarrow \\ massive \text{ degrees of freedom with } m^2 = 1/\alpha}} \alpha_{<0: \text{ it is also a tachyon.}}$$

•  $eta R^2$  equivalent to positive energy massive scalar d.o.f

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

[Hindawi et al., PRD53 (1996) 5597]

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

These models involve generically 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 avoide these arguments

Only allowed models of this class are f(R).

## **Scalar-tensor theories**

$$S=rac{c^3}{16\pi G}\int\!\sqrt{-g}\{R-2(\partial_\mu\phi)^2-V(\phi)\}^{ ext{ spin 0}}+S_m\{ ext{matter}, ilde{g}_{\mu
u}=A^2(\phi)g_{\mu
u}\}$$

Maxwell electromagnetism is conformally invariant in d=4

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



Light deflection is given as in GR

$$\delta heta = rac{4GM}{bc^2}$$

## What is the difference?

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



$$lpha = \mathrm{d}\ln A/\mathrm{d}\phi$$

Motion of massive bodies determines G<sub>cav</sub>M **not** GM.

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

$$\delta heta = rac{4G_{ ext{N}}M}{(1+lpha^2)bc^2} \leq rac{4GM}{bc^2}$$

which means

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

## **Cosmological features of ST theories**



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

Coc et al., 2005]



# Astrophysical tests of General Relativity



**TESTING MODELS** 

- too numerous

- contain the cosmological constant as a CONTINOUS limit!

TESTING THE HYPOTHESIS

- Negative : increase the domain of validity of the theory and thus the credence in our cosmological model

- Positive: class of models that enjoy this particular NEEDED deviation

WHAT TO TEST

- Copernican principle (already discussed)
- General relativity
- Other [topology, Maxwell,...]

# General relativity in a nutshell

### Equivalence principle

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

**Dynamics** 

Relativity

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$$S_{matter}(\psi, g_{\mu\nu})$$
  
 $S_{grav} = \frac{c^3}{16\pi G} \int \sqrt{-g_*} R_* d^4 x$   
 $g_{\mu\nu} = g^*_{\mu\nu}$   
 $G_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi G T_{\mu\nu}$ 

RelativitField equations

# **General relativity: validity**



Universality of free fall  $2 \frac{|a_1 - a_2|}{|a_1 + a_2|}$ 10<sup>-8</sup> Eötvös Renner C. Will, gr-qc/0510072 Free-fall 10<sup>-9</sup> Fifth-force searches 10-10 Boulder η Princeton Eöt-Wash 10-11 Eöt-Wash Moscow 10-12 LLR 10<sup>-13</sup> η= <mark>a<sub>1</sub>-a<sub>2</sub> /2 (a<sub>1</sub>+a<sub>2</sub>)/2</mark> 10<sup>-14</sup> 7000 790,92,940 100, 10, 100 7990 YEAR OF EXPERIMENT «Constancy » of fundamental constants

JPU, RMP (2003)

# **Physical systems**



# Constraints



JPU, RMP (2003); arXiv:09XX.XXXX

# **Future evolution**



# **Testing relativity**



Have to agree if GR is a good description of gravity.

# **Testing GR on large scales**

One needs at least **TWO** independant observables



## **Structure in ΛCDM**

Restricting to low-*z* and sub-Hubble regime

$$\mathrm{d}s^2 = a^2(\eta) \left[ -(1+2\Phi)\mathrm{d}\eta^2 + (1-2\Psi)\gamma_{ij}\mathrm{d}x^i\mathrm{d}x^j \right]$$

Background

$$H^2/H^2_0 = \Omega^0_m (1+z)^3 + (1 - \Omega^0_m - \Omega^0_\Lambda)(1+z)^2 + \Omega^0_\Lambda$$

**Sub-Hubble perturbations** 

$$egin{aligned} \Phi &= \Psi \ \Delta\Psi &= 4\pi G 
ho a^2 \delta & heta \propto -f \delta \ \delta' + heta &= 0 & f \propto \Omega_{
m mat}^{0.6} \ heta' + \mathcal{H} heta &= -\Delta \Phi \end{aligned}$$

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

# **Original idea**

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

**Galaxy catalogues** 

$$egin{aligned} \delta & heta &= rac{2}{c^2} \int & 
abla oldsymbol{
abla} & \left\langle \Phi( heta) \Phi( heta+n) 
ight
angle \end{aligned}$$

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

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

Distribution of the gravitational potential

Distribution of the matter

Compatible? [JPU, Bernardeau (2001)]

## **Example of some rigidity**

In the linear regime, the growth of density perturbation is then dictated by

$$\ddot{\delta} + 2H\dot{\delta} - 4\pi G\rho_{\rm mat}\delta = 0$$

This implies a *rigidity* between the growth rate and the expansion history

Bertschinger, astro-ph/0604485, JPU, astro-ph/0605313

It can be considered as an equation for H(a)

Chiba & Takahashi, astro-ph/0703347

$$egin{aligned} (H^2)' + 2\left(rac{3}{a} + rac{\delta''}{\delta'}
ight)H^2 &= 3rac{\Omega_0 H_0^2\delta}{a^5\delta'} \ rac{H^2}{H_0^2} &= 3\Omega_{m0}rac{(1+z)^2}{\delta'(z)^2}\int_zrac{\delta}{1+z}(-\delta')\mathrm{d}z \end{aligned}$$

H(a) from the background (geometry) and growth of perturbation have to agree.

## **Growth factor: example**

SNLS – WL from 75 deg<sup>2</sup> CTIO – 2dfGRS – SDSS (luminous red gal) CMB (WMAP/ACBAR/BOOMERanG/CBI)

#### Wang *et al.*,arViv:0705.0165



Consistency check of any DE model within GR with <u>non clustering</u> DE Assume Friedmannian symmetries! (see e.g. Dunsby, Goheer, Osano, JPU, 2010)

To go beyond we need a parameterization of the possible deviations

# **Post-**ΛCDM

Restricting to low-*z* and sub-Hubble regime

$$\mathrm{d}s^2 = a^2(\eta) \left[ -(1+2\Phi)\mathrm{d}\eta^2 + (1-2\Psi)\gamma_{ij}\mathrm{d}x^i\mathrm{d}x^j \right]$$

Background

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

**Sub-Hubble perturbations** 

$$egin{aligned} \Delta(\Phi-\Psi) &= \pi_{ ext{de}} \ &-k^2\Phi &= 4\pi G_N F(k,H) \, 
ho a^2 \delta + \Delta_{ ext{de}} \ &\delta'+ heta &= 0 \ & heta'+\mathcal{H} heta &= -\Delta\Phi + S_{ ext{de}} \end{aligned}$$

ΛCDM

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

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

# **Data and tests**



Various combinations of these variables have been considered



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

EUCLID: ESA-class M-phase A

# **Data and tests**

Large scale structure 
$$\delta_g = \frac{\delta n_g}{n_g}$$
  $\delta_g = b_1 \delta + b_2 \delta^2$   
 $P_{gg}^z(k,\mu) = P_{gg}(k) + 2\frac{\mu^2}{aH}P_{g\theta_g}(k) + \frac{\mu^4}{a^2H^2}P_{\theta_g\theta_g}(k)$ 

#### Lensing

-weak lensing: 
$$P_{\Phi+\Psi,\Phi+\Psi}$$
  
-galaxy-galaxy lensing:  $P_{g,\Phi+\Psi}$ 

#### In a ACDM, all these spectra are related

$$P_{g\theta_g} = aH\frac{f}{b}P_{gg} \quad P_{\theta_g\theta_g} = a^2H^2\frac{f^2}{b^2}P_{gg}$$

One needs to control the biais.

**Biais** 

$$\begin{array}{l} \begin{array}{c} \text{velocity map} \\ \left< \delta_g \theta \right> &= b \beta \left< \delta^2 \right> \\ \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{Galaxy map} \\ \left< \delta_g \kappa \right> &\propto b \left< \delta \Delta (\Phi + \Psi) \right> &\propto 8 \pi G \rho a^2 b \left< \delta^2 \right> \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{weak lensing} \end{array}$$

The ratio of these 2 quantities is independent of the bias

Zhang et al, arXiv:0704.1932

Assume - no velocity bias  $(S_{DE}=0)$ - no clustering of DE  $(\Delta_{DE}=0)$ 

# **Conclusions**

#### Our cosmological model requires dark sector.

The understanding of this sector calls for tests of the hypothesis of the model.

## Underlying idea:

Any hypothesis implies that some quantities are related; We can test these rigidities [Consistency tests].

#### Copernican principle:

Time drift of redshift vs distance measurements. Good test that allows to distinguish models that have the same light-cone properties.

## Modification of gravity:

difficult to construct models that are theoretically well-defined

## Any modification from the LCDM:

modifies the prediction (growth rate, background dynamics) and <u>more important:</u> violation of SOME of the rigidities.

## Data analysis:

Parametrisations: (w, gamma) [!!have to be compatible!!] Not yet in the spirit. Attempt with CFHTLS [Doré et al]. Requires: matter and velocity distribution + lensing [Tomography].

Other datasets: weakly NL regime / Gravity waves/ constants...