

DARK MATTER WITH
A COSMOLOGICAL CONSTANT ?

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- '98 {
- $\Omega_{\text{MATTER}} < 1$
 - $\Omega_0 \sim 1$
 - $\Omega_\Lambda > 0$

IMPACT ON PARTICLE PHYSICS

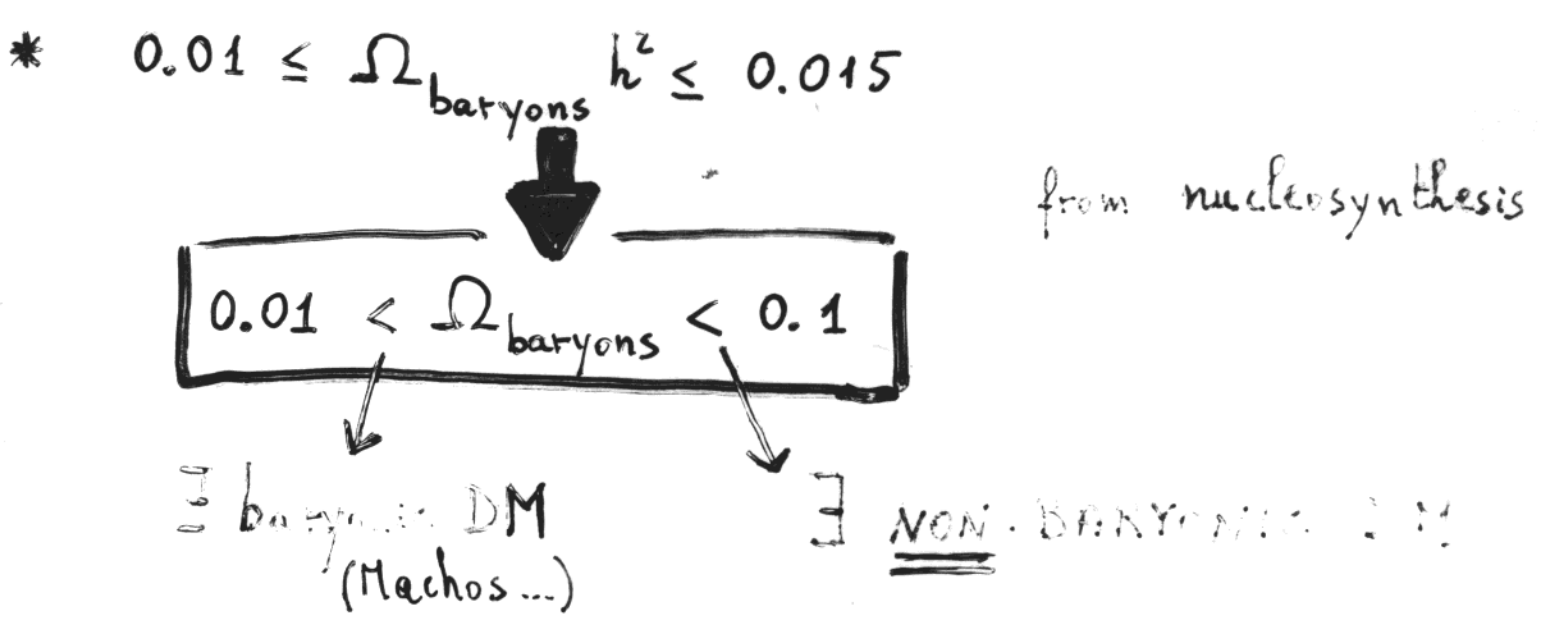
THE DM PROBLEM!

$\Omega = \rho/\rho_c$ $\rho_c = \frac{3H^2}{8\pi G_N} \approx 10^{-29} \text{ g/cm}^3$; $H = h \cdot 100 \text{ km/s Mpc}$
 $0.4 < h < 0.9$
 $\hookrightarrow '98 \quad h = 0.65 \pm 0.15$

* $\boxed{\Omega \geq 0.1}$ galactic rotation curves

* $\boxed{\Omega \geq 0.2 - 0.3}$ clusters and superclusters

* $\boxed{\Omega_{\text{LUMINOUS}} < 0.01}$ total luminous mass density



* $\boxed{\Omega = 1}$ favoured by { INFLATION "NATURALNESS" arguments

* $\boxed{\Omega h^2 \leq 1}$ ($\tau_{\text{univ}} > 10^{10} \text{ yrs.}$)

Ω_{Baryon}

BBN: D, ^3He , ^4He , ^7Li



$$0.007 < \Omega_{\text{B}} h^2 < 0.024$$

(Copi et al. '95)

D best "baryometer"

↳ density $\propto \rho_{\text{B}}^{-1.7}$

$$D/H \begin{cases} \sim 10^{-5} \text{ low-D} \\ \sim 3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ high-D} \end{cases}$$

in (1998) Burles and Tytler

$$D/H = (3.4 \pm 0.3) \cdot 10^{-5}$$



$$* \Omega_{\text{B}} h^2 = 0.02 \pm 0.002 *$$

→ independent determination from CBR (height of 1st peak) consistent with Burles and Tytler

Ω_{Matter}

total density of matter

from baryon fraction in

rich clusters → "fair sample" of matter in the Universe

(density perturb. of size $\sim 10 \text{ Mpc}$)

$$\rho_{\text{B}}^{\text{cluster}} : \rho_{\text{M}}^{\text{cluster}} = \rho_{\text{B}}^{\text{univ}} : \rho_{\text{M}}^{\text{univ}}$$



$$\Omega_{\text{M}} = \Omega_{\text{B}} / f_{\text{B}}$$



from motion of galaxies + virial th. or grav. lensing

↳ $\rho_{\text{B}} / \rho_{\text{M}}^{\text{in dust}}$



B in intracluster gas → measure x-ray flux from gas

$$\Omega_{\text{M}} = (0.3 \pm 0.05) h^{-1/2}$$

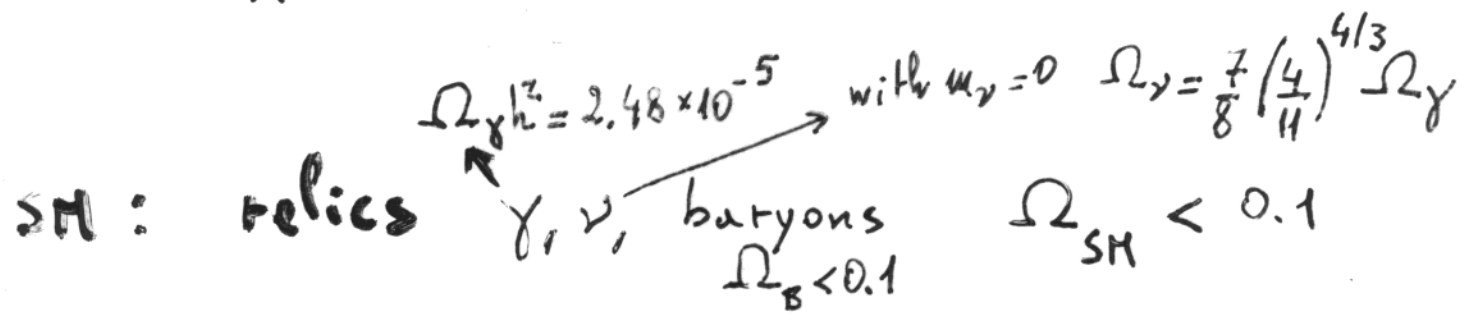
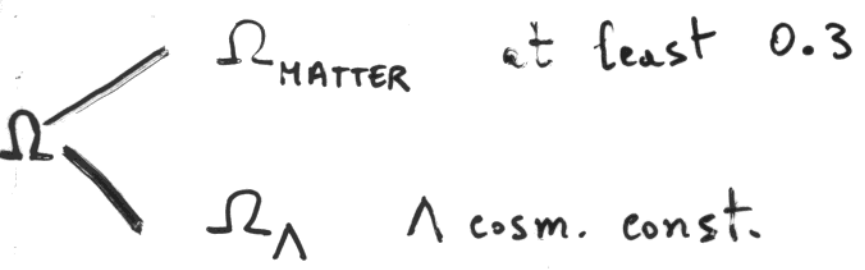
Mohr et al (98)
Carlstrom (99)



$$* \Omega_{\text{M}} = 0.4 \pm 0.1 *$$

consistent with other (more disputable) methods

WHAT IS THE DM MADE OF?

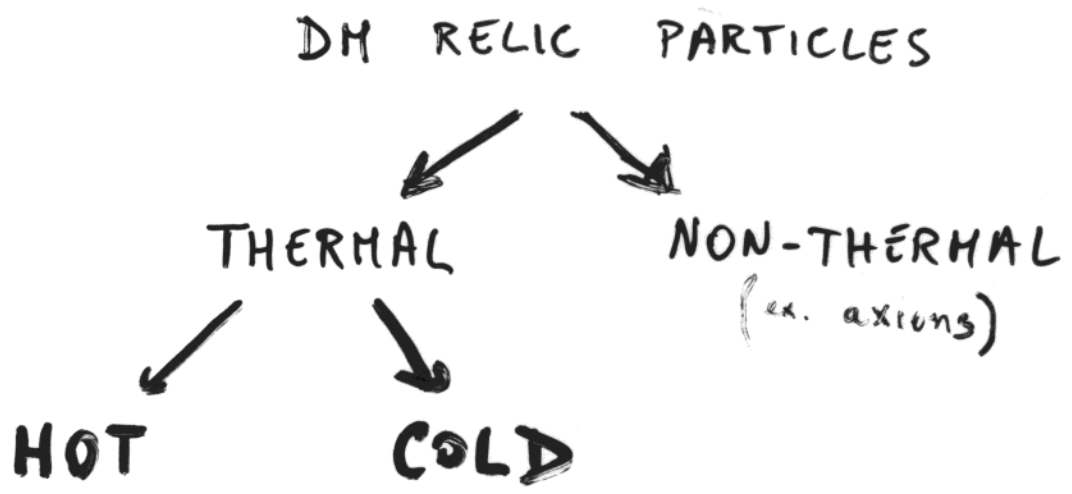


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NON-BARYONIC DM

CALLS FOR NEW PHYSICS

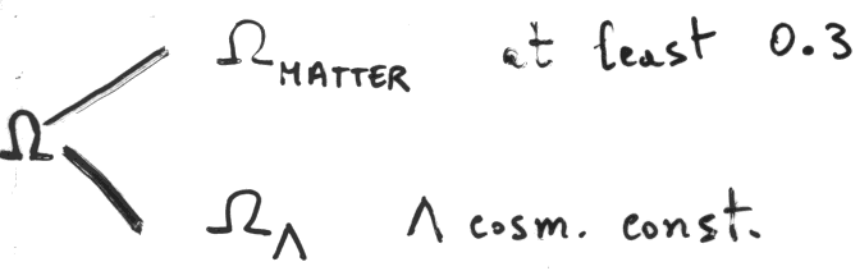
BEYOND SM



$m \ll T_{\text{decoupl}}$
relativistic at
time structure formation d.o.o.

$m \gg T_{\text{decoupl}}$
non relativistic when galaxies
start forming

WHAT IS THE DM MADE OF?



SM: relics $\Omega_{\gamma h^2} = 2.48 \times 10^{-5}$ with $w_{\nu} = 0$ $\Omega_{\nu} = \frac{7}{8} \left(\frac{4}{11}\right)^{4/3} \Omega_{\gamma}$

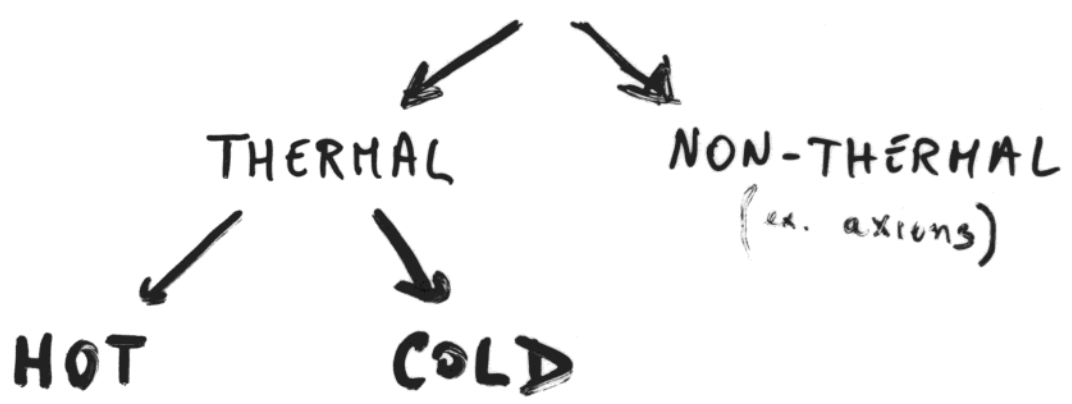
$\gamma, \nu, \text{ baryons}$ $\Omega_{\text{SM}} < 0.1$

$\Omega_{\text{B}} < 0.1$



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DM RELIC PARTICLES



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$$\Omega_0 = \Omega_M + \Omega^?$$

BEST DETERMINATION
FROM ANISOTROPY OF
CBR

0.4 ± 0.1
(baryon fraction
method)

at last scattering Baryons coupled to γ : B fall into DM
potential wells $\rightarrow \gamma$ pressure acts as a restoring force

\rightarrow gravity-driven acoustic oscillations

\hookrightarrow Fourier modes with $k \sim \ell \frac{H_0}{2}$

\rightarrow SERIES OF ACOUSTIC PEAKS STARTING AT $\ell \sim 200$

POSITION OF THE FIRST PEAK $\ell \approx \frac{200}{\sqrt{\Omega_0}}$

CBR \rightarrow  $= 1 \pm 0.2$ \downarrow ?

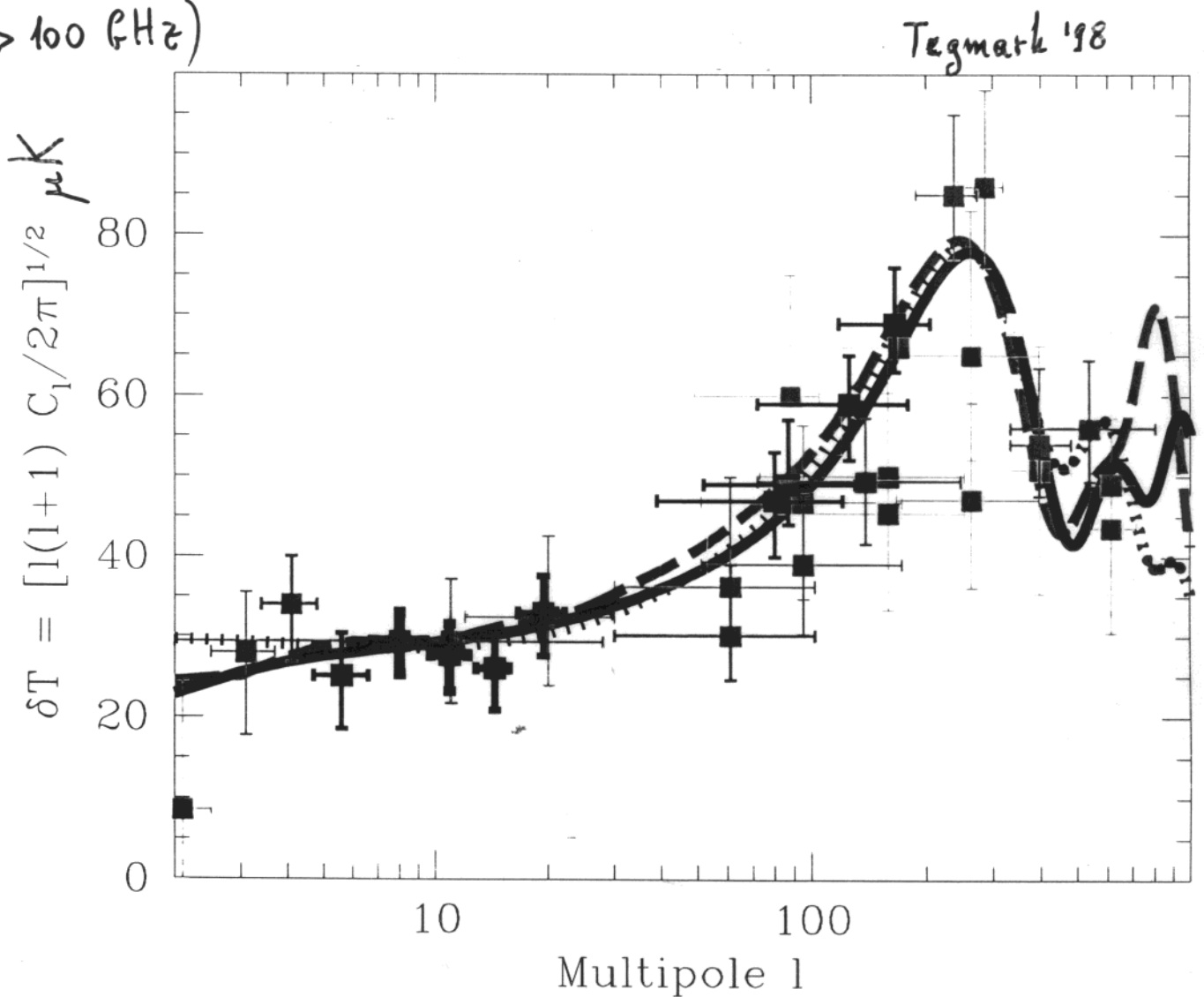
Lineweaver (98)

position of the 1st peak is insensitive to the
composition of Ω_M and Ω_Λ , only to their sum

COBE MOST PRECISE COVERS MULTIPOLE $l \sim 2-20$

OTHER MEASUREMENTS FROM BALLOON-BORNE,
ANTARCTICA-BASED, GROUND-BASED EXPTS.

USING LOW-FREQUENCY ($f < 100$ GHz) and HIGH-FREQUENCY
($f > 100$ GHz)



SATELLITES { MAP (NASA) late 2000
PLANCK (ESA) 2007

resolution ~ 30 times better than COBE ($\sim 0.1^\circ$)
map entire CBR sky

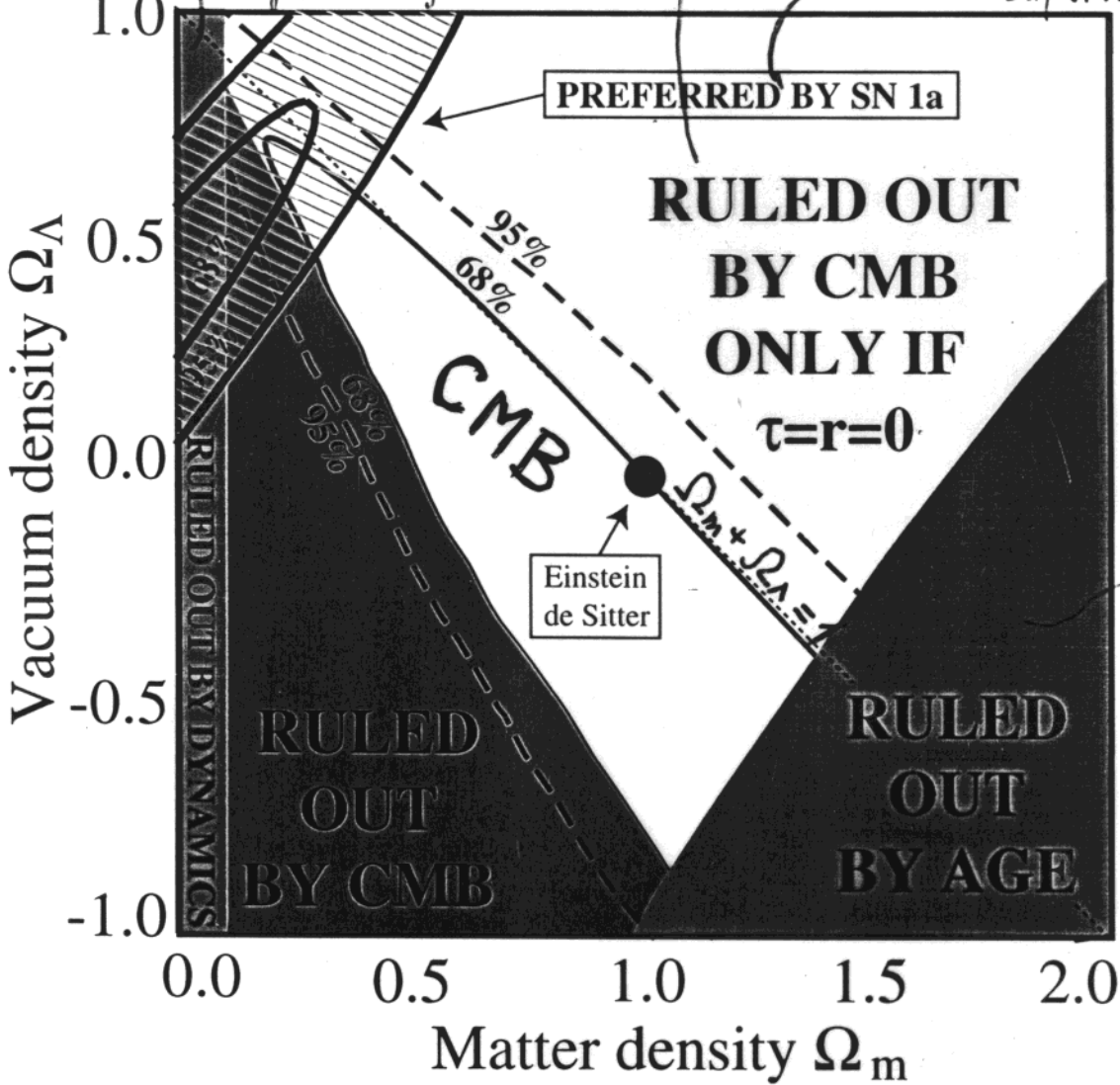
Tegmark astro-ph/9809201
 from CMB data

Lineweaver '98 + QMAP

τ optical depth from reionisation
 $r \rightarrow$ gravity-wave (tensor) fluctuations

$\Omega_m < 0.1$ inconsistent with amount of matter dynamically observed

from White '98 (combined data of the two Supernova teams)



$H_0 > 0.6$ as a lower limit

$\hookrightarrow \Omega_m = \Omega_{CDM} + \Omega_B$

FROM OBSERVATIONS

$$\Omega_M \sim 0.4$$

$$\Omega_0 = \Omega_M + \Omega_\Lambda \approx 1$$

\exists of DARK, EXOTIC FORM OF ENERGY SMOOTHLY DISTRIBUTED (UNCLUSTERED)

$$\Omega_\Lambda \neq 0 \quad \text{with} \quad \Omega_\Lambda \sim 0.6$$

IS IT POSSIBLE TO TEST IT?

\Rightarrow main signature:

ACCELERATING (instead of de-accelerating) UNIVERSE

try to measure q_0

$$R_{\text{curr}}^2 = \frac{H_0^{-2}}{\Omega_0 - 1}$$

$$q_0 \equiv -\frac{(\ddot{R}/R)_0}{H_0^2} = \frac{1}{2}\Omega_0 + \frac{3}{2}\Omega_i w$$

$w_i = -1$ cosm. cons
 $P_i = w_i \rho_i$ ($w_i = 0$ baryons; $w_i = 1/3$ rad)



TO AVOID INTERFERING WITH STRUCTURE FORMATION

(UNIVERSE MUST HAVE BEEN MATTER-DOMINATED FROM

THE EPOCH OF MATTER-RADIATION EQUALITY UNTIL VERY

RECENTLY) \Rightarrow Λ form of energy must be

less important in the past than it is today

eq. of state: $p_\Lambda = w_\Lambda \rho_\Lambda \Rightarrow \rho_\Lambda \propto R^{-n}$

$$n = 3(1 + w_\Lambda)$$

to be less important in the past $\Rightarrow n < 3$, i.e. $w_\Lambda < 0$

ex.: cosmological const. $w_\Lambda = -1$

bonus: H_0 to \uparrow with $w \downarrow \Rightarrow$ older Univ. for a given h_0

(no "age crisis")

$$q_0 = \frac{1}{2} \Omega_M - \Omega_\Lambda \sim -0.4 \quad (\text{from obs. values of } \Omega_M \text{ and } \Omega_\Lambda)$$

EVIDENCE FOR THIS "SMOKING GUN" FROM SNe Ia

MEASURING ρ_0

Expansion of the Universe is just a conformal scaling up of all distances:

$$v = H_0 d \quad (\text{Hubble law})$$

\Rightarrow if the distances and velocities to distant galaxies were all measured at the present then they would obey $v = H_0 d$

but we see distant galaxies at an earlier time

and so $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Rightarrow \text{if the expansion is SLOWING their velocity should be ABOVE the Hubble-law prediction} \\ \Rightarrow \text{if the expansion is SPEEDING UP their velocity should fall BELOW the Hubble-law prediction.} \end{array} \right.$

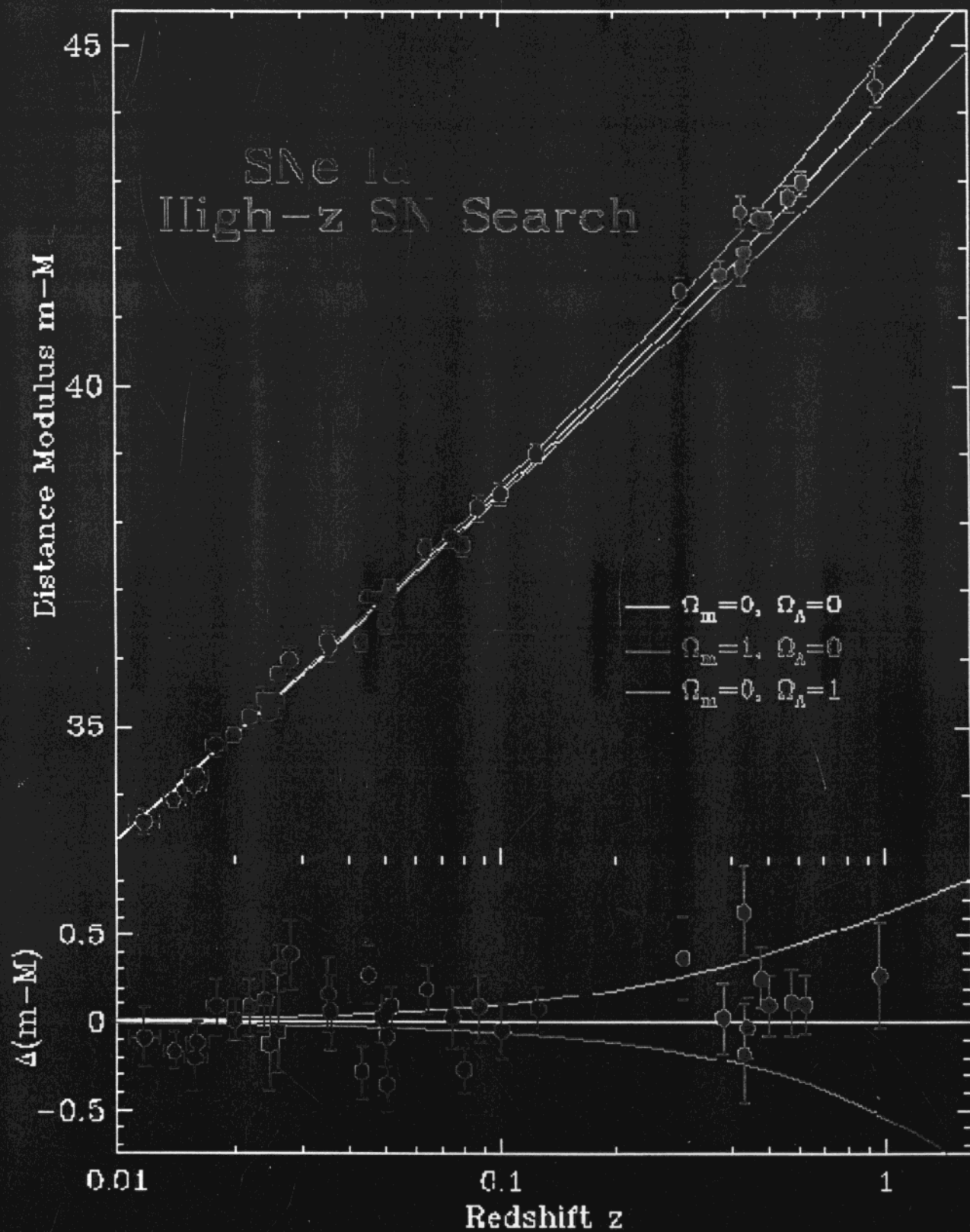
magnitude-redshift Hubble diagram
for ~ 50 SNe Ia out to z of nearly 1

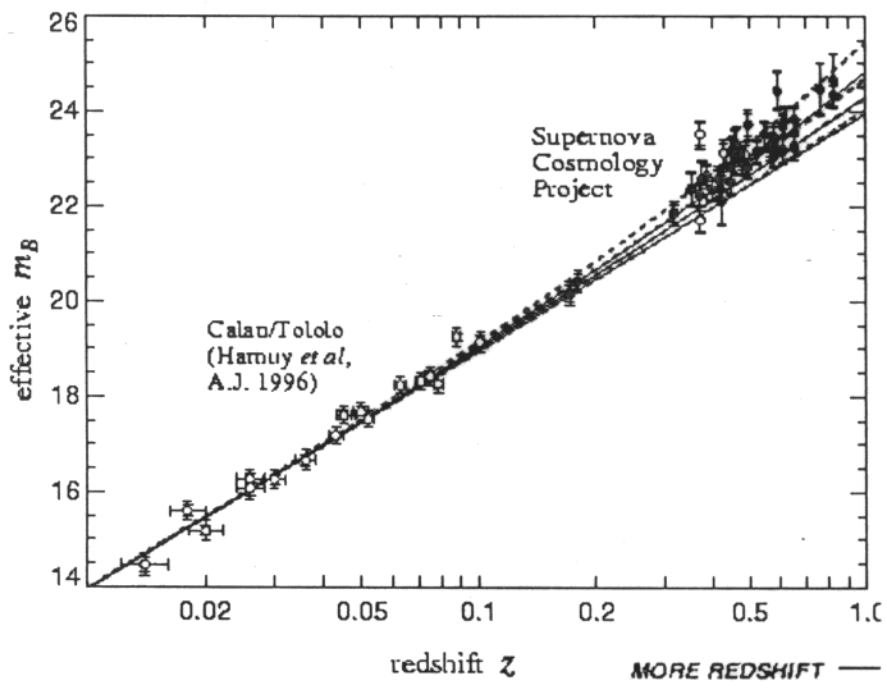


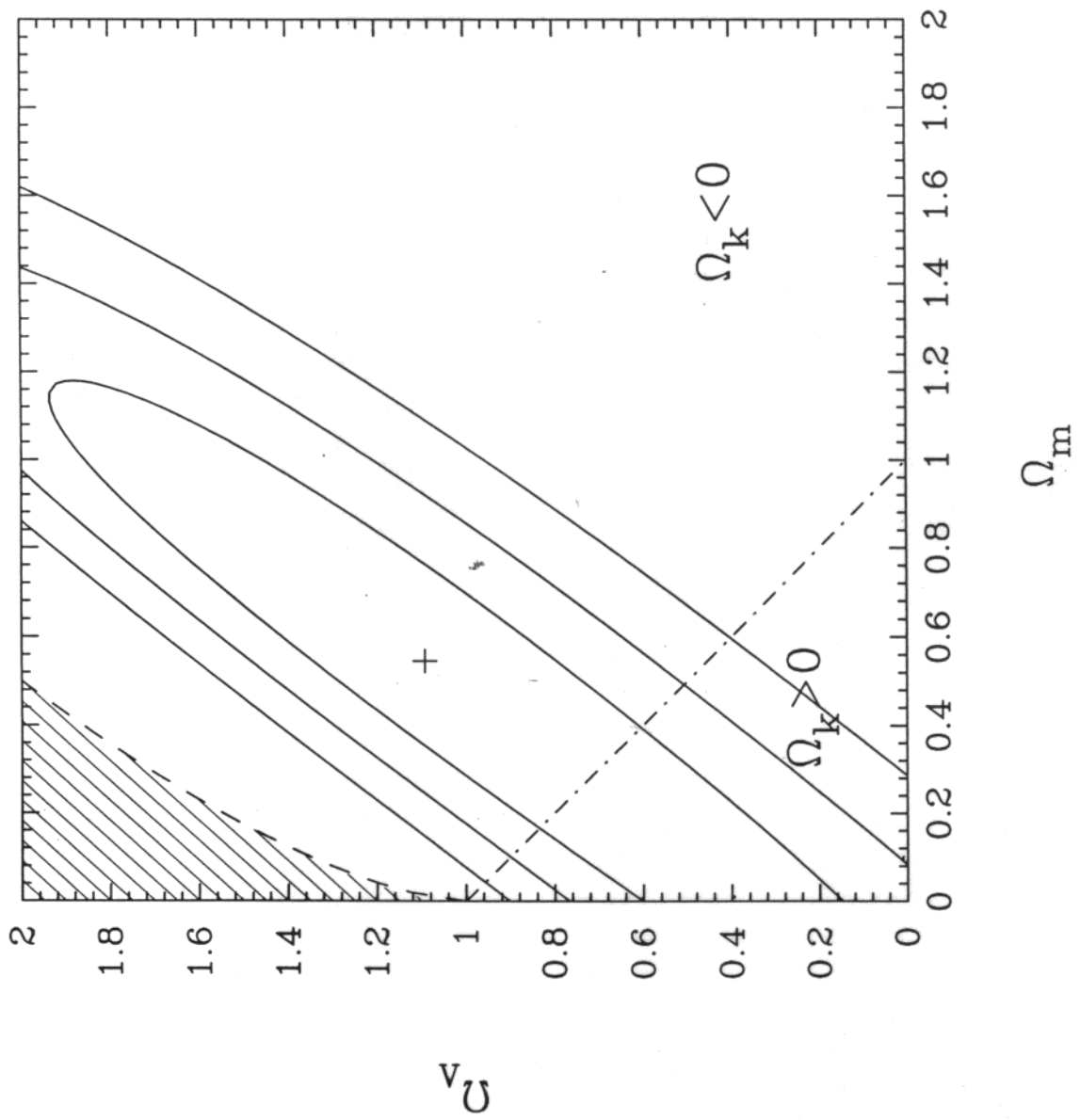
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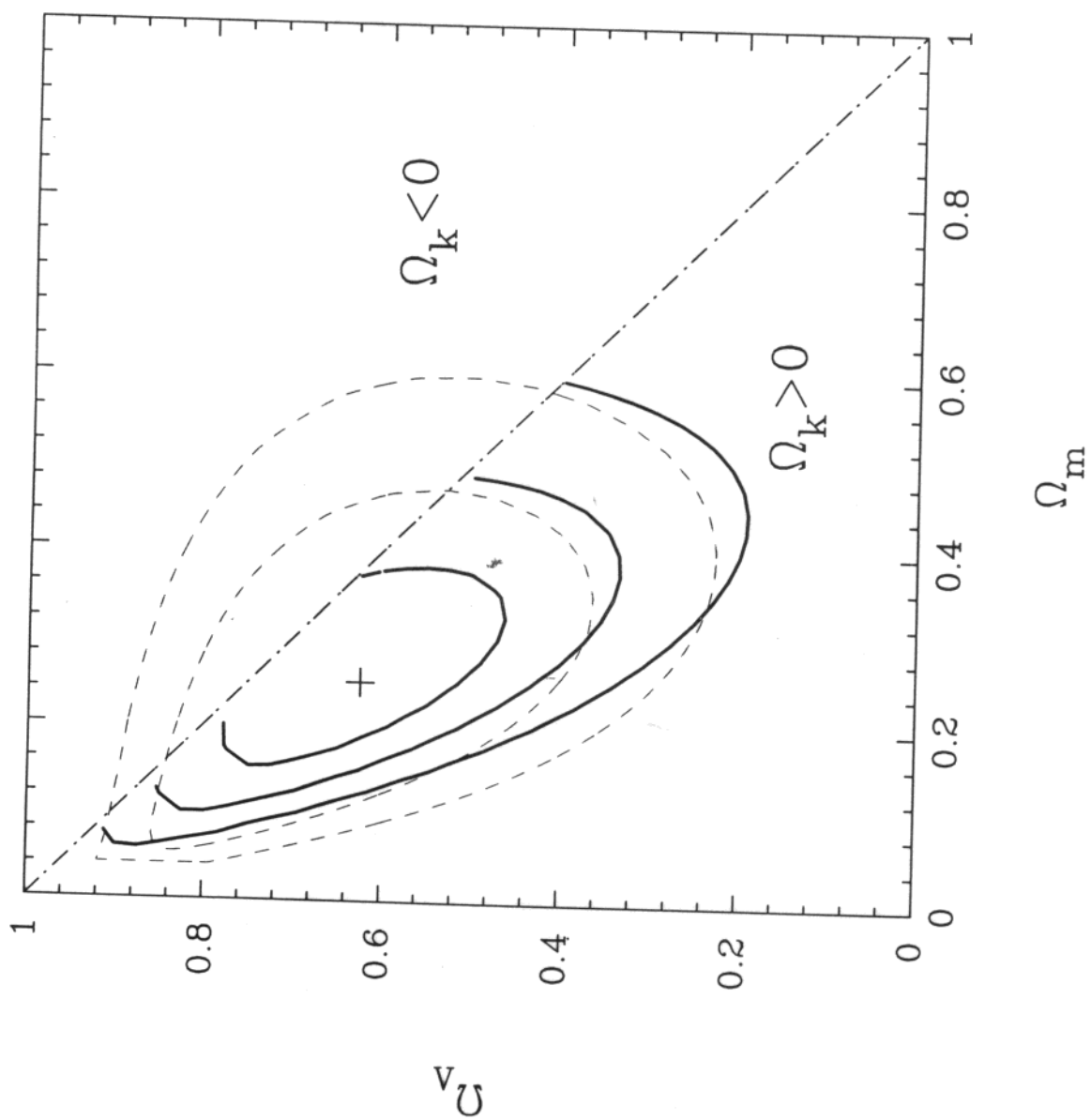
two groups $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{SUPERNOVA COSMOLOGY PROJECT} \\ \text{HIGH-Z SUPERNOVA SEARCH} \end{array} \right.$

SNe Ia
High-z SN Search









Now STAT. ERRORS \ll possible SYST. ERRORS

QUESTION: HOW RELIABLE IS IT TO TAKE
SNe Ia AS ONE-PARAMETER
STANDARD CANDLES ?

SNe Ia from nuclear detonation of Chandrasekhar
mass white dwarfs: ONE PARAMETER IS THE RATE
OF DECLINE OF THE LIGHT CURVE (the brighter ones
decline more slowly - Phillips relation \Rightarrow empirical evidence
that there is a relationship peak brightness \leftrightarrow rate of decline)

QUESTION: DISTANT SAMPLE OF SNe Ia SIMILAR
TO THE NEARBY SAMPLE ?

several tests say yes: for instance the distribution
of decline rates and dispersion about the Phillips
relationship

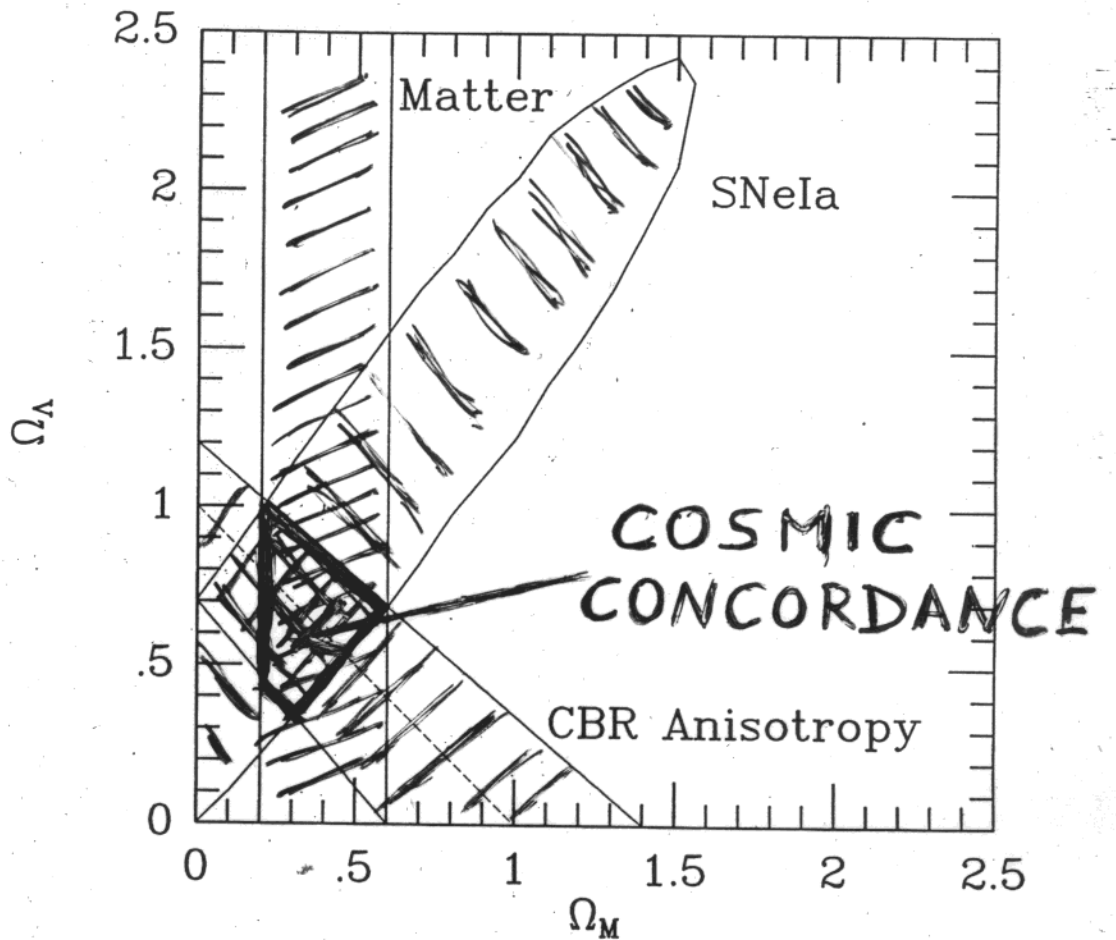


Figure 6. Constraints to Ω_M and Ω_Λ from CBR anisotropy, SNeIa, and measurements of clustered matter. Lines of constant Ω_0 are diagonal, with a flat Universe shown by the broken line. The concordance region is shown in bold: $\Omega_M \sim 1/3$, $\Omega_\Lambda \sim 2/3$, and $\Omega_0 \sim 1$. (Particle physicists who rotate the figure by 90° will recognize the similarity to the convergence of the gauge coupling constants.)

CONCORDANCE REGION

$$\Omega_M \approx \frac{1}{3} \quad \Omega_\Lambda \approx \frac{2}{3}$$

STRUCTURE FORMATION

DM

SEED OF DENSITY FLUCTUATIONS

AMOUNT AND NATURE OF THE MATERIAL IN THE UNIVERSE

INITIAL SPECTRUM OF ρ FLUCTUATIONS

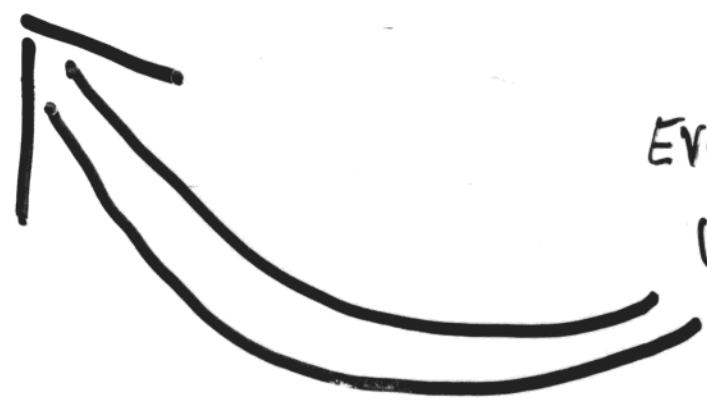


INFLATION OR TOPOLOGICAL DEFECT

SCALE INVAR. FLUCTUATION SPECTRUM



EVOLUTION UNDER GRAVITY



$\Omega_i = \rho_i / \rho_{crit}$
COLD, HOT, WARM

EXP. INPUT: COBE, GALAXY DISTRIBUTIONS, PECULIAR VELOC.
TH. INPUT: GROWTH OF $\delta\rho/\rho$ (dependence on the nature of DM)

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THE STANDARD COLD DARK MATTER (CDM) MODEL

$$\Omega = 1 ; \quad \Omega_{\text{CDM}} \sim 90-95\%$$

$$\Omega_{\text{B}} \sim 5-10\% ; \quad \Omega_{\gamma, \nu} < 1\%$$

seed fluctuations are generated during inflation and with a scale-invariant spectrum

$$\lambda_{\text{EQ}} \approx 30 (\Omega h^2)^{-1} \text{ Mpc}$$

PROBLEM: with the normalization fixed at COBE data

⇒ THE STANDARD CDM

MODEL PREDICTS MORE

POWER AT SMALL SCALES

THAN OBSERVED (see fig.)

(λ_{EQ} relatively small)

BEYOND STANDARD CDM

● CHANGE THE DM CONTENT

- ADDITION OF A HOT COMPONENT (e.g. neutrino(s) of few eV's) → MIXED DM

$$\Omega_{\text{CDM}} \sim 70-80\% \quad \Omega_{\text{HDM}} \sim 20-30\%$$

(Shafi-Stecker '84; Bonometto-Valdarnini '85; Achilli et al. '85; Taylor-Rowan-Robinson '92; Holtzman-Primack '92; Yu-Staroobinski '95)

- REPLACEMENT OF COLD DM with WARM DM

(Colombi, Dodelson, Widrow '96; Borgani, A.M., Yamaguchi '96; Kawasaki, Sugiyama, Yanagida '97; Pierpaoli, Borgani, A.M., Yamaguchi '9)

- CDM + VOLATILE COMPONENT ($\lambda_{\text{EQ}} \rightarrow$) (Kim and Kim; Bonometto, Pierpaoli)

● CHANGE THE FRIEDMAN BACKGROUND

- $\Omega_{\text{matter}} < 1$, either with or without a cosmological constant term $\Omega_{\Lambda} = 1 - \Omega_{\text{matter}}$

- by decreasing the Hubble parameter to $h \approx 0.3$

● MODIFY THE NATURE OF THE PRIMORDIAL FLUCT.

- by changing the spectrum shape $P(k) \propto k^n$ $n < 1$

- by resorting to non-Gaussian fluctuations: string, textures, ...

• SHIFT OF THE EQUIVALENCE SCALE

⇒ DELAY THE MOMENT MATTER STARTS
DOMINATING OVER RADIATION

(reason: during radiation domination superhorizon fluctuations can grow, while subhorizon ones cannot)

⇒ if we delay matter domination, i.e. we increase the horizon length at equivalence λ_{eq} , the small (subhorizon) modes are kept "frozen" by a sort of "radiation pressure"

STANDARD CDH
 λ_{eq}

$$\approx 30 (\Omega h^2)^{-1} \text{ Mpc}$$



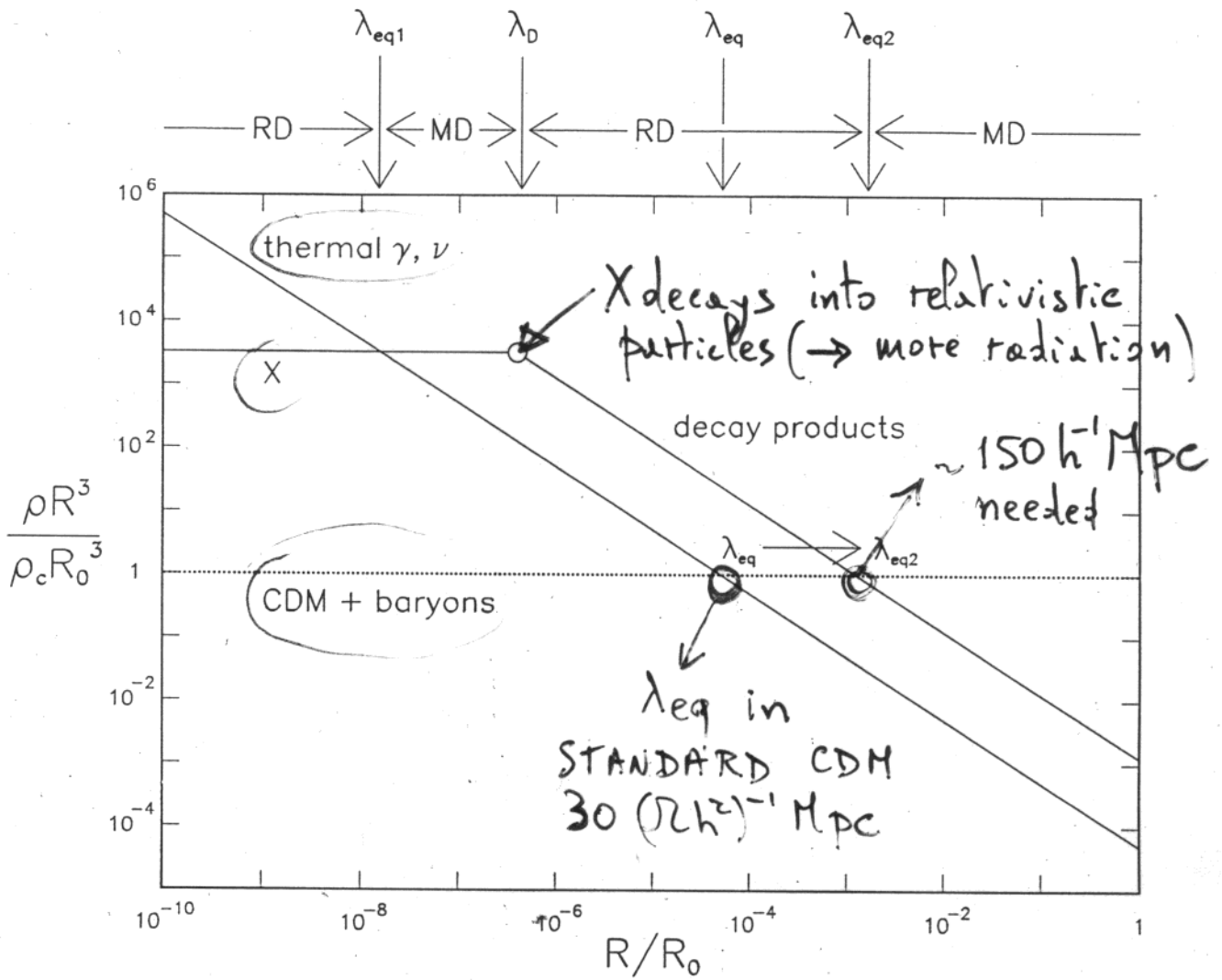
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Bond,
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$$\lambda_{eq} \approx 150 h^{-1} \text{ Mpc}$$

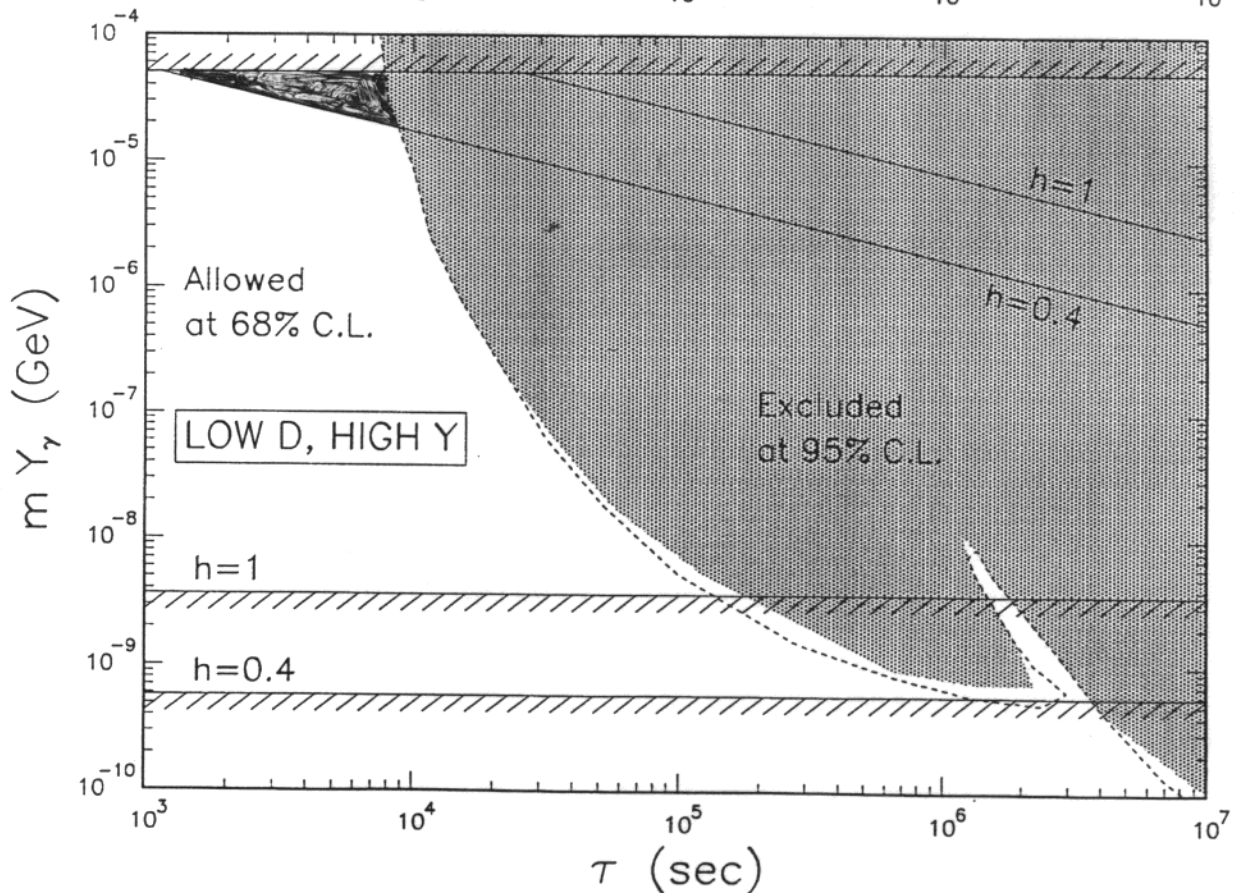
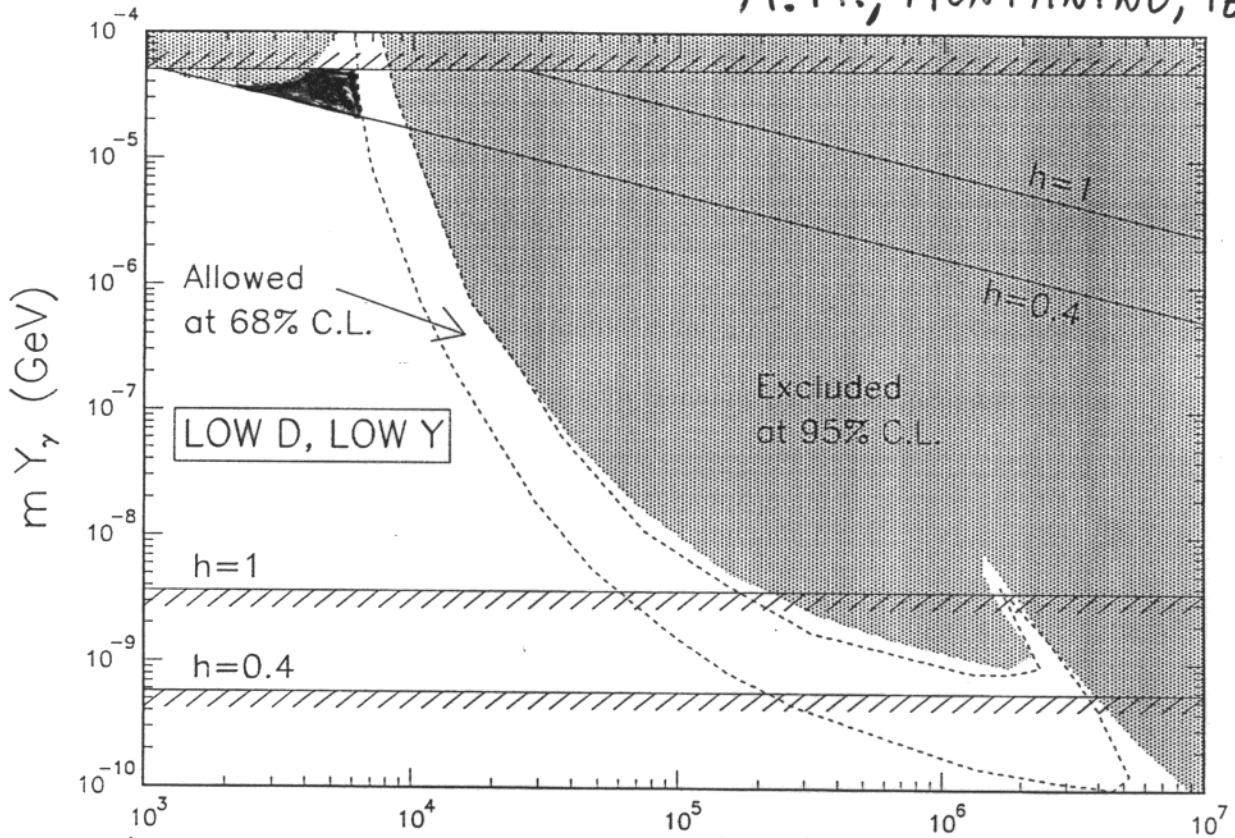
Delay of matter domination may be accomplished by UNSTABLE MATTER DECAYING INTO RELATIV. PART. (Radiation) KIM & KIM

KIM & KIM NP B433 (1995)



SEVERE ASTROPH. AND COSM. CONSTRAINTS ON RADIATIVE DECAYS

A.M., MONTANINO, PELOSO



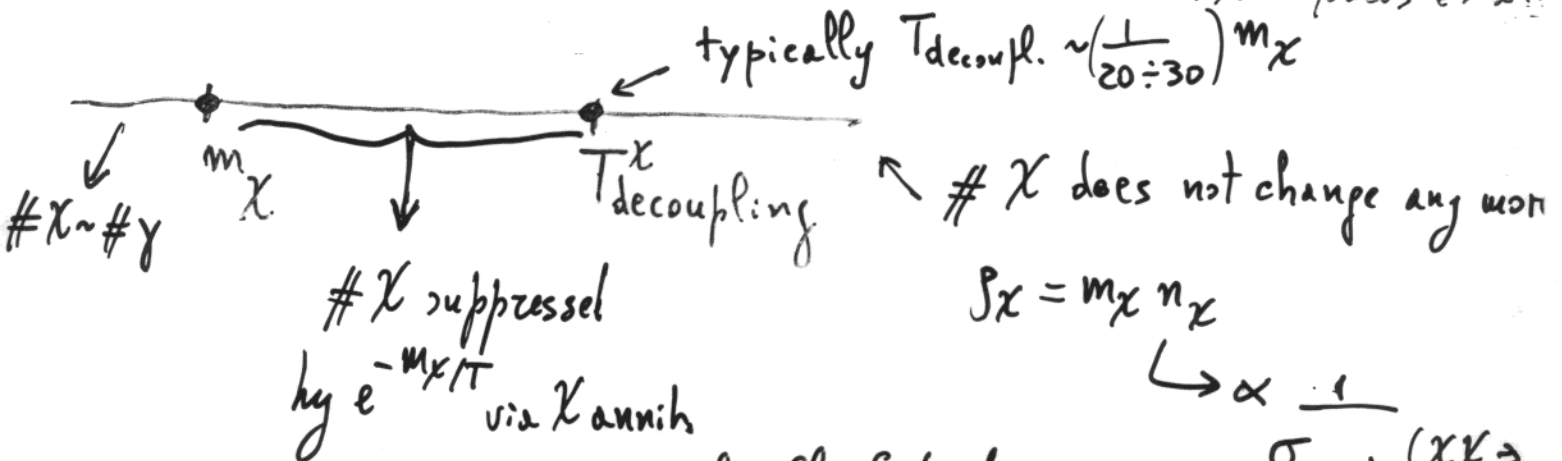
\Rightarrow other possibility: decays without γ or charged part. in the decay products (ex: $\nu \rightarrow \nu' + \text{majoron}$)

BEST "THERMAL" CDM CANDIDATES \Rightarrow WIMPS

(weakly interacting part.)

↓
particles at one time in thermal equilibrium

(best "non-thermal" CDM candidates: axions, superheavy relic part.)
Chung, Kobs, Riotto; Ellis, Nanopoulos et al.



$$\rho_X = m_X n_X$$

$$\rho_X \propto \frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{annih}} (X X \rightarrow \dots)}$$

Goldberg; Ellis, Hagelin, Nanopoulos, Olive, Srednicki; Roszkowski

$$\frac{n_X}{T_0^3} \sim \frac{n_X(T_{\text{decoupl.}})}{T_{\text{decoupl.}}^3}$$

$T_{\text{decoupl.}}$ determined by: $n_X(T_{\text{dec}}) \langle \sigma_{\text{ann}}(X X) v_X \rangle \sim \frac{T_{\text{decoupl.}}^2}{M_{\text{Planck}}}$

Ω_X depends on particle physics (σ_{annih}) + $T_0 + M_{\text{Planck}}$

$$\Omega_X h^2 \approx \frac{10^{-3}}{\langle \sigma_{\text{annih}}(X X) v_X \rangle \text{TeV}^2} \rightarrow \text{TeV from } \sqrt{T_0 \cdot M_{\text{Planck}}}$$

$\sim \frac{\alpha^2}{M_X^2}$

$\Rightarrow \Omega_X h^2 < 1 \Rightarrow m_X < 1 \text{TeV}$ $m_X \sim 10^2 - 10^3 \text{GeV}$ $\Omega_X h^2 \sim 10^{-2} - 10$!!!

WIMP

CANDIDATES

* HEAVY NEUTRINOS of few GeV's, $\Omega_\nu h_0^2 \sim 3 \left(\frac{\text{GeV}}{m_\nu} \right)$

but $Z \rightarrow \nu \bar{\nu}$ if this heavy neutrino

couple to Z with the usual $Z-\nu-\nu$ coupling

$\Rightarrow m_{\nu \text{ heavy}} > m_Z/2$ very low Ω ($\Omega_\nu h_0^2 \sim 10^{-3}$)

if the $SU(2)$ doublet heavy ν mixes with some

"sterile" $SU(2) \times U(1)$ singlet \Rightarrow reduction of $Z-\nu_{\text{heavy}}$

coupling but cumbersome schemes

* Best WIMP: LIGHTEST

SUSY PARTICLE IN SUSY

SCHEMES WHERE A DISCRE SYMM.

R-PARITY DISCRIMINATE

ORDINARY FROM SUPER-PARTICLES

ν as HDM

- consider $m_\nu < 1 \text{ MeV}$ and ν stable
↓ it decouples when still relativistic

if $m_\nu < 10^{-4} \text{ eV} \rightarrow \nu$ still relativistic today

if $m_\nu > 10^{-4} \text{ eV} \rightarrow \rho_\nu = m_\nu n_\nu$

- n_ν determined by $T_{\text{decoupling}}^\nu$

→ weak interactions

$T_{\text{dec}}^\nu > m_e \Rightarrow$ relic ν slightly colder than relic e .

$$\rightarrow n_\nu = \frac{3}{22} g_\nu n_\gamma \quad (g_\nu = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{Major} \\ 4 & \text{Dirac} \end{cases})$$



$$\Omega_\nu \equiv \frac{\rho_\nu}{\rho_c} = \frac{0.01 \times m_\nu (\text{eV}) h_0^{-2} (g_\nu) \left(\frac{T_0}{2.7}\right)^3}{\rho_c}$$

$0.4 < h_0 < 0.9$ $\Omega_{\text{LDM}} \lesssim 0.01$

LIGHT ν AS DM

$$\Omega_\nu h^2 \sim \frac{m_\nu}{30 \text{ eV}}$$

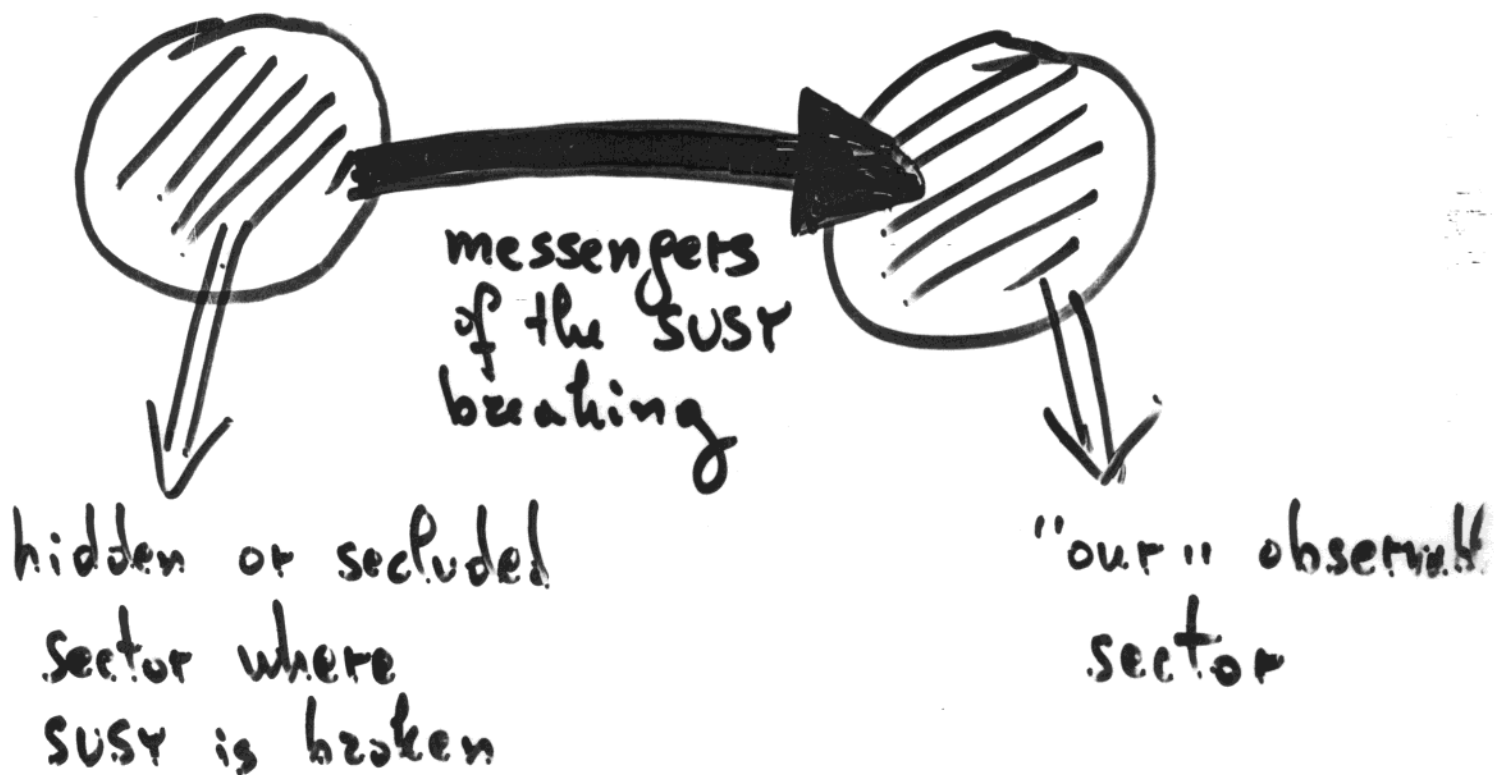
→ few eV ν fine to obtain $\Omega_{DM} \sim 0.1-1$

PROBLEMS: a) impossible for ν to form the dark haloes of dwarf galaxies (phase space dens. of ν limited by Fermi statistics)

b) light ν are HOT: still relativistic when galaxy formation could have begun (causal horizon contained about 1 galactic mass) \Rightarrow hot DM has a large free-streaming length which tends to smear out primordial density perturbations until ν slow down enough.

\Rightarrow first superlarge structures form \rightarrow too few old galaxies
→ cosmic strings as "seeds" of perturbations?

SUSY BREAKING



"TRADITIONAL" N=1 SUPERGRAVITY MODELS

hidden sector where local SUSY is broken AT A VERY HIGH SCALE $M_S \sim 10^{11}$ GeV

gravitational messengers
 χ_{MP}^n suppression

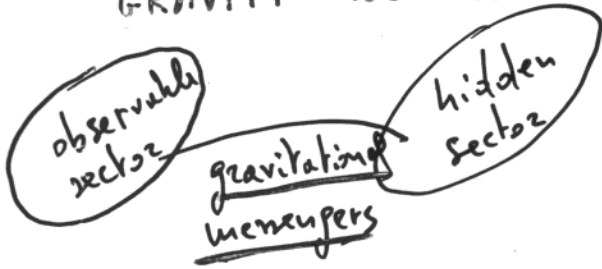
"NEW" MODELS WITH SUSY BROKEN AT LOW SCALE $M_S \sim 10^5 - 10^6$ GeV

$m_{\chi_{\pm 2}} = \frac{M_S^2}{M}$

$10^2 - 10^3$ GeV	SUGRA	gauge messengers Dine, Nelson, Shirman, Nil-Drabi, Giudice, Tom
$10^2 - 10^3$ eV	GAUGE-MEDIATED SUSY BREAKING	

LARGE SCALE

SUSY BREAKING
GRAVITY MEDIATED SUSY



$$\Lambda_{SUSY} \sim 10^{11} \text{ GeV}$$

$$M_{SUSY} \sim \frac{\Lambda_{SUSY}^2}{M_P}$$

$$m_{3/2} \sim \frac{\Lambda_{SUSY}}{M_P}$$

$$M_{SUSY} \sim m_{3/2} \sim \underline{\underline{O(1 \text{ TeV})}}$$

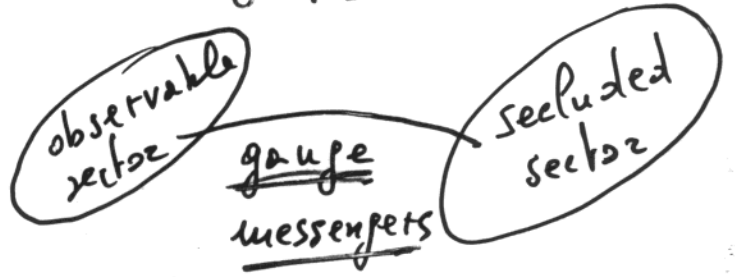
LSP → lightest neutralino

$$m > 20 \text{ GeV}$$

CDM possibility
of having $\Omega_{\tilde{\chi}_0} \sim 0.1-1$

LOW SCALE

SUSY BREAKING
GMSB



$$\Lambda_{SUSY} \sim 10^6 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_{3/2} \sim \frac{\Lambda_{SUSY}^2}{M_P} \sim \underline{\underline{10^2 - 10^3 \text{ eV}}}$$

$$M_{SUSY} \sim 100 \text{ GeV}$$

$\psi_{3/2}$ gravitino is LSP

WARM DM

$$\tilde{\chi}_0 \rightarrow \psi_{3/2} + \gamma$$

γ in the final state

LIGHT GRAVITINO : WARM DM CANDIDATE

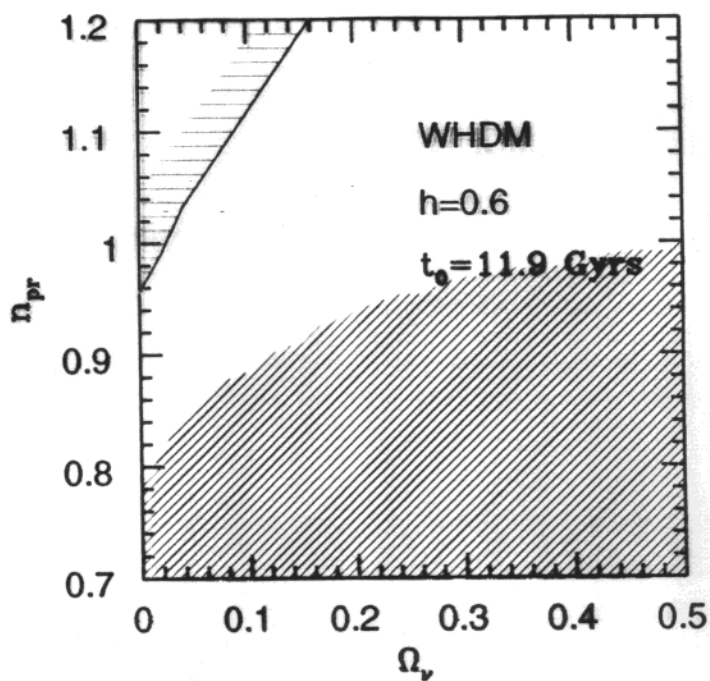
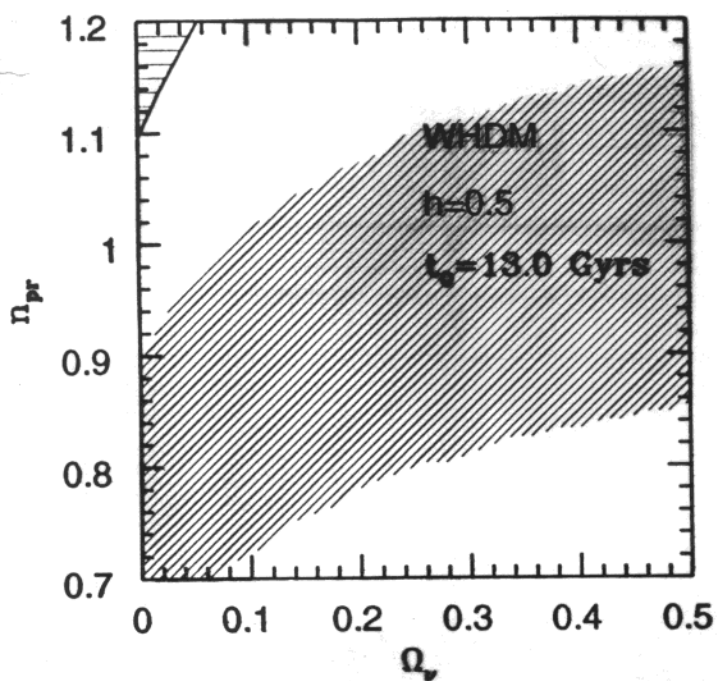
WARM \rightarrow for a gravitino in the $(0.1-1)$ KeV range
the free-streaming mass scale \sim galaxy mass scale

- just replacing CDM with WDM does **not** work
(suppression of fluctuation only at the galaxy mass scale
but power spectrum unaffected on the cluster mass scales
where standard CDM fails)
 - given the success of suitable MIXED DM and LOW-DENSITY
CDM models in accounting for $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{low-level density fluct. } \sim 10 h^{-1} \mu \\ \text{enough power at } 1 h^{-1} \text{ Mpc} \\ \text{(form galaxy early} \\ \text{enough epoch)} \end{array} \right.$
- \Rightarrow test light gravitino with $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{hot component } \checkmark \\ \text{low-density } \Omega_s < 1 \end{array} \right.$

OBSERVATIONAL CONSTRAINTS $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{HIGH-REDSHIFT OBJECTS} \\ \text{CLUSTER ABUNDANCE} \end{array} \right.$

WARM + HOT DM $\Omega_b = 1$

($g_* = 150$) E. PIERPAOLI, S. BORGANI, A.M., M. YAMAGUCHI



COMBINED FREE STREAMING OF ν and

$\psi_{3/2} \Rightarrow$ STRONG SUPPRESSION OF FLUCTUATIONS

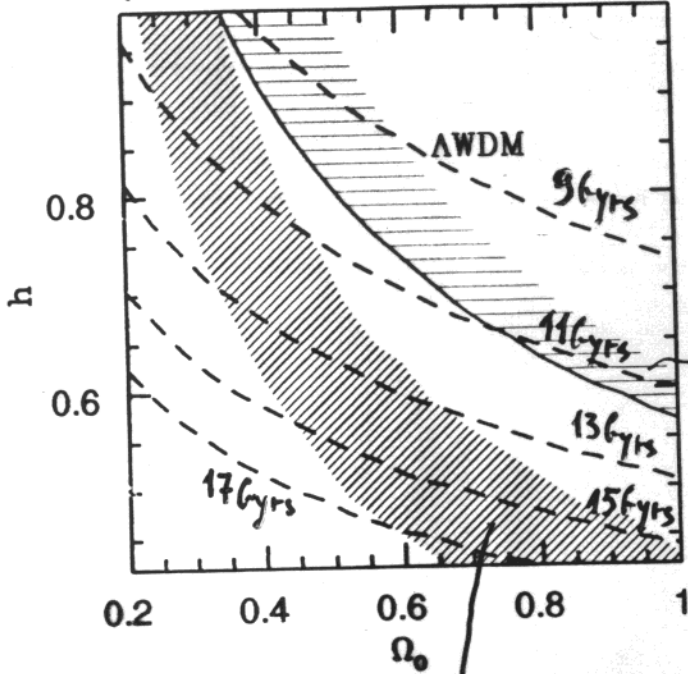
AT $\sim 1 h^{-1} \text{Mpc} \Rightarrow$ DIFFICULT TO FORM

$Z \sim 4$ PROTOGALACTIC OBJECTS (while matching low- z cluster abundance)

LIGHT GRAVITINOS WITH $\Omega_{\text{matter}} < 1$

$n=1$ ($n \neq 1$ does not improve the situation)
 E. PIERPAOLI, S. BORGANI, A.M., M. YAMAGUCHI

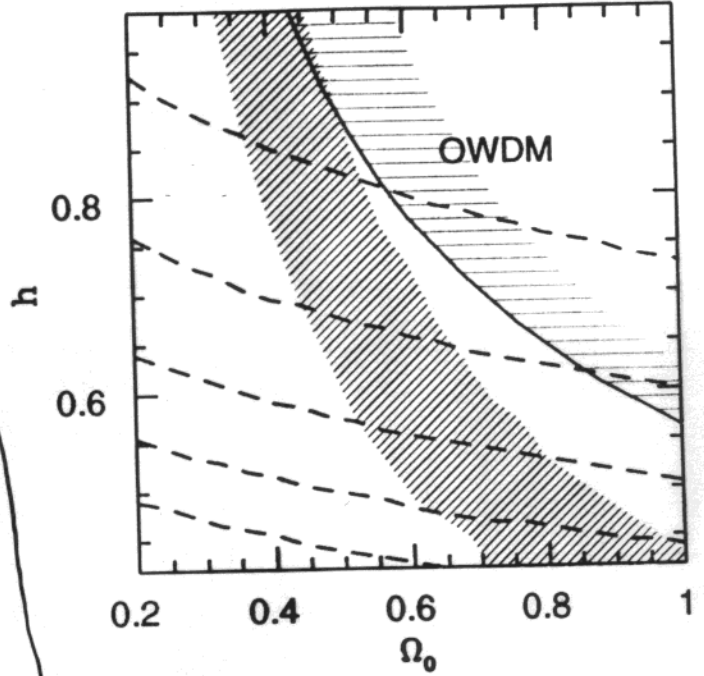
FLAT $\Omega_0 + \Omega_\Lambda = 1$



$\sigma_8^* = 150$

CLUSTER *
 ABUNDANCE

OPEN $\Omega_0 < 1$ $\Omega_\Lambda = 0$



HIGH-REDSHIFT **
 OBJECTS CONSTRAINT

* using the relation between σ_8 (r.m.s. fluctuation value within a sphere of $8h^{-1}$ Mpc radius) and Ω_0 from

Viana and Liddle '96

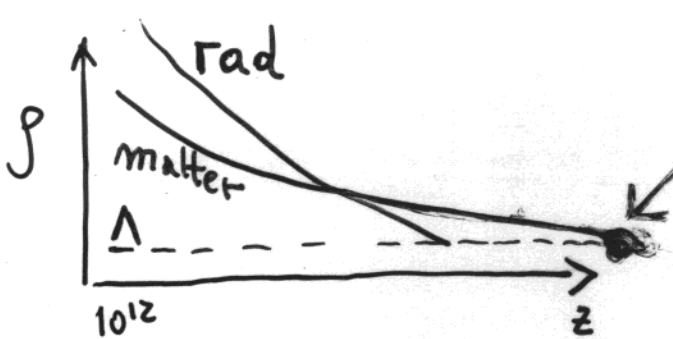
** constraint from the abundance of neutral hydrogen contained within damped Ly- α system (DLAS) \rightarrow value of Ω_{HI} at $z \sim 4.25$ from Storrie-Lombardi et al. '95

$$\Omega_\Lambda \neq 0$$

only a nightmare for
a particle physicist?

i) FIRST CANDIDATE: COSMOLOGICAL CONSTANT

$$p = -\rho \quad w = -1 \quad (p = w\rho)$$



why Λ so small?
why today?

* en. of the vacuum
 $\sim (0.003 \text{ eV})^4$

ii) SECOND POSSIBILITY:

DYNAMICAL TIME-DEPENDENT AND SPATIALLY INHOM.

COMPONENT WITH $p = w\rho$
 $\hookrightarrow -1 < w < 0$

present data seem to favor $w \sim -0.6$ or so

HOW TO MAKE VACUUM ENERGY DYNAMICAL ?

Simplest case: EVOLVING SCALAR FIELD which has not reached its state of minimum energy

→ the energy of the true vacuum is zero but not all fields have evolved to their state of minimum energy : field classically unstable rolling towards its lowest energy state

$$\rho = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\phi}^2 + V(\phi) \quad ; \quad \rho = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\phi}^2 - V(\phi)$$

eq. of motion : $\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} + V'(\phi) = 0$

$$w = \left(\frac{1}{2} \dot{\phi}^2 + V(\phi) \right) / \left(\frac{1}{2} \dot{\phi}^2 - V(\phi) \right)$$

↳ can take any value from +1 to -1

w can vary with time

Bronstein 1933 "decaying cosmological constant"
Freese et al 87 ; Ozer-Taha 87 ; Ratra-Peebles 88 ;
Frieman et al 95 ; Coble et al. 96 ; Turner-White 97 and →

R. Caldwell, Dave and Steinhardt PRL '98

↳ name for this rolling scalar:

QUINTESSENCE

Candidates: pseudo-Goldstone bosons
Frieman, Hill, Stebbins, Waga

scalar fields with a scalar potential

decreasing to zero for infinite field

values Caldwell et al; Turner and White;
Spergel and Pen; Zlatev, Wang, Steinhardt

IDEA: such a behaviour occurs naturally in models of
DYNAMICAL SUSY BREAKING

Scalar potential of SUSY models has many flat directions (directions in field space where the potential vanishes)

after dynamical susy breaking \Rightarrow degeneracy of flat directions is lifted by flat directions restored at infinite values of the scalar fields!

\Rightarrow potential smoothly decreasing to zero at infinity

GLOBAL SUSY \Rightarrow VANISHING GROUND STATE ENERGY

\downarrow (hope for solution of the cosm. const. problem (Zumino))

$V(\phi) \rightarrow 0$ at infinity

(in some case $\phi \rightarrow 1/g \rightarrow$ coupl. const. associated with the dynamics responsible for SUSY breaking
 $\phi \rightarrow \infty \quad g \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow$ restoration of SUSY ($V=0$))

ex: dilaton ϕ not appearing in V

$\phi F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow G$ gauge symm.

when G interaction strong $\Lambda = M_P e^{-\phi/2b_0}$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \bar{\lambda} \lambda \rangle = \Lambda^3 = M_P^3 e^{-3\phi/2b_0}$$

$$V \rightarrow e^{-\phi/b_0}$$

w_ϕ starts at 1 then w_ϕ decreases to

$$w_B = 0 \text{ for } \phi \rightarrow \infty$$

w positive!

2nd example:

SUSY QCD

$SU(N_c)$

$N_f < N_c$ flavors

chiral multiplets

$Q^i \quad i=1, \dots, N_f$

fundam. of $SU(N_c)$

\bar{Q}^i

antifundam. of $SU(N_c)$

$$T_i = Q_i \cdot \bar{Q}_i$$

$$W = (N_c - N_f) \left(\frac{\Lambda^{3N_c - N_f}}{\det T} \right)^{\frac{1}{N_c - N_f}}$$

Taylor, Veneziano, Yankielowicz
Affleck, Dine, Seiberg

if $Q_i = Q$ for $i=1, \dots, N_f$

$$\Rightarrow V(Q) = \frac{\Lambda^{\frac{2(3N_c - N_f)}{N_c - N_f}}}{Q^{\frac{2(N_c + N_f)}{N_c - N_f}}} \cdot N_f$$

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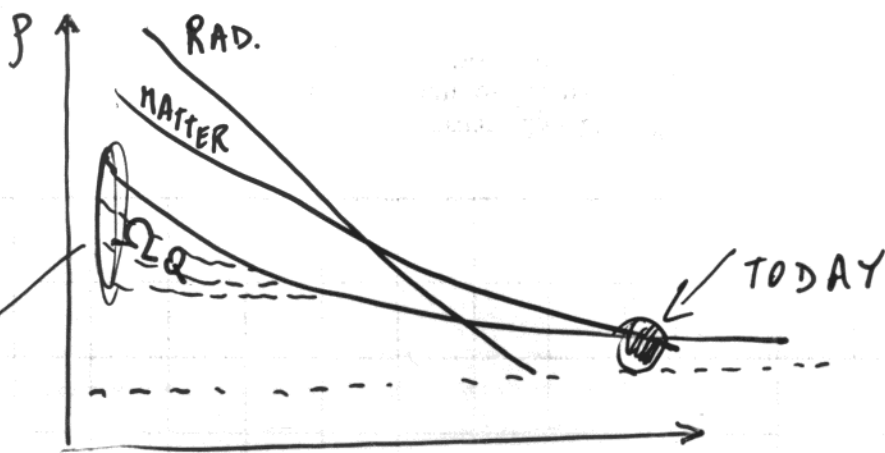
$V(\phi) \sim \phi^{-n}$ inverse power potential

$$w_Q = -1 + \frac{\alpha(1 + w_B)}{2 + \alpha}$$

$$\alpha = 2 \frac{N_c + N_f}{N_c - N_f}$$

w_Q between $-\frac{1}{2}$ and 0 ($w_B = 0$)

(it might be not "negative" enough
data favor $w \lesssim -0.6$)



IF ATTRACTOR SOLUTION

\Rightarrow Q TRACKER FIELD

changing initial conditions

(by orders of magnitude)

the field Q is always "attracted"

to the "right" track leading

to $\Omega_M \sim \Omega_Q$ today

"partial" solution to the

why today problem

still smallness of Λ is an open problem

WHAT HAPPENS IF NOT ALL Q_i are
EQUAL, i.e.

Susy QCD with several Q_i

for instance Q_1 and Q_2

A.M., PIETRONI, ROSATI

main features:

* THERE EXIST AN ATTRACTOR SOLUTION
for Q_1 and Q_2 (both trace fields)

* INTERPLAY OF Q_1 and Q_2 STARTING
WITH DIFFERENT INITIAL CONDITIONS

→ DIFFERENT β_Q and w_Q behaviour

possible to have $w_Q < 0.5$

EFFECTS OF INTERACTIONS OF Q_i WITH
ORDINARY FIELDS ⇒ POSSIBLE $\beta H^2 Q^2$ terms

β limited by bounds
on long range interactions of light scalar Q

Cosmic Concordance and Quintessence

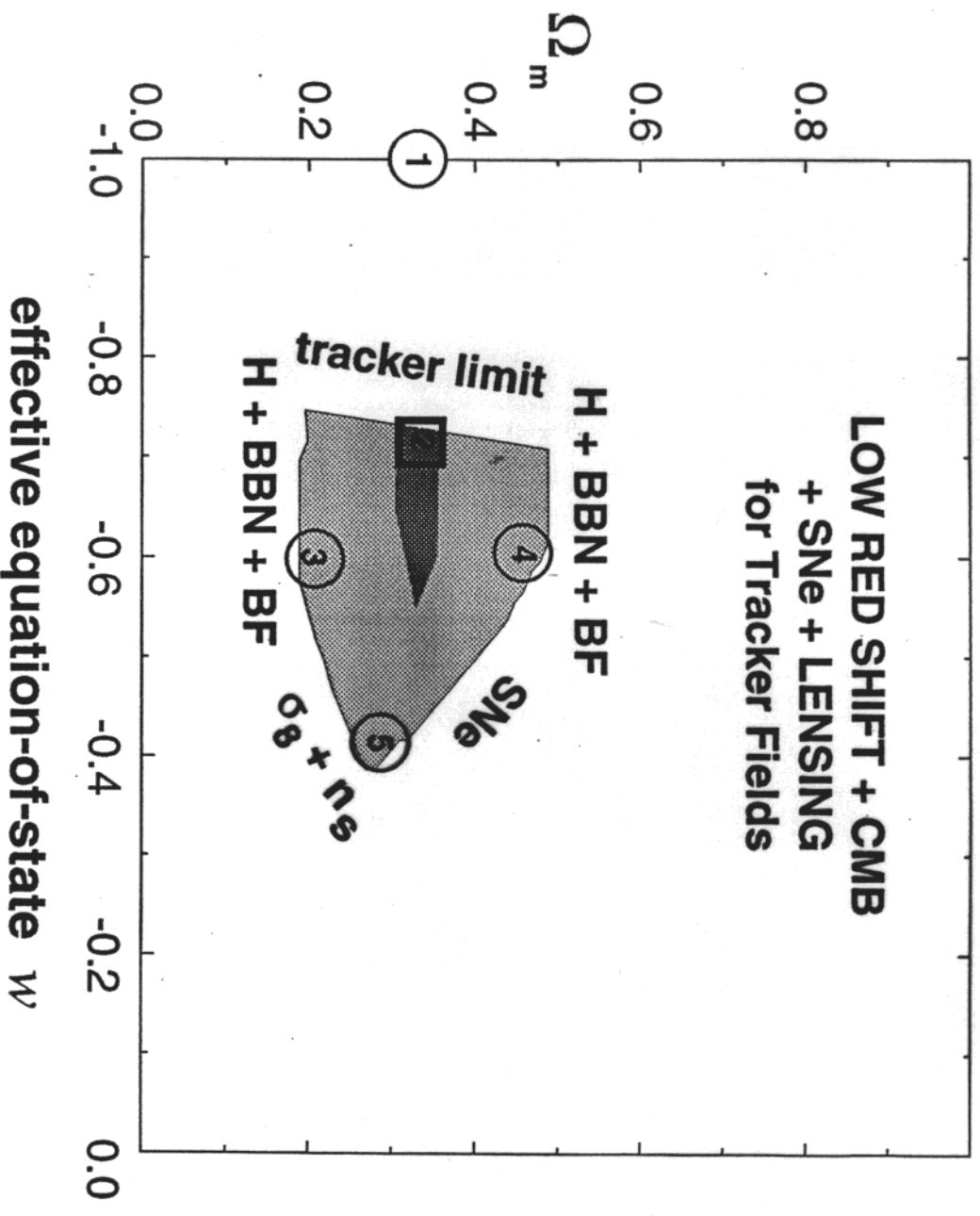
Wang, Caldwell, Ostriker, Steinhardt -- astro-ph/9901388

Quintessence Parameters:

$$\Omega_m, w, h, n_s, \Omega_b$$

CONSTRAINTS

- low red shift
- cluster abundance
- BBN, baryon fraction
- H, age, velocities
- intermediate red shift
- SNe, lensing, l_y -a, cluster evolution
- high red shift
- COBE norm, tilt
- small angle CMB



CONCLUSIONS

- $\Omega_B, \Omega_{\text{MATTER}} \Rightarrow$ data confirm the need for NON-BARYONIC DM
 \Rightarrow new physics beyond the elw. SM
- $\Omega_{\text{TOTAL}} \sim 1$ from CBR
- $\Omega_\Lambda \neq 0$ from SNe Ia
- STILL NEED FOR CDM (axions, WIMPS \rightarrow relic SUSY particles)
- $\Omega_\Lambda \neq 0$ accounted for by rolling scalar fields that have not reached their minimum yet \Rightarrow TRACKER SOLUTIONS IN THE SUSY QCD AND DILATON CASES
 $\hookrightarrow w < 0$