

Title: Imperfect Dark Energy of Kinetic Gravity Braiding

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Abstract: In this talk I will discuss a new class of cosmological scalar fields. Similarly to gravity, these theories are described by actions linearly depending on second derivatives. The latter can not be excluded without breaking the generally covariant formulation of the action principle. Despite the presence of these second derivatives the equations of motion are of the second order. Hence there are no new pathological degrees of freedom. Because of this structure of the theory the scalar field kinetically mixes with the metric without direct non-minimal couplings to curvature - the phenomenon we have called Kinetic Gravity Braiding. These theories have rather unusual cosmological dynamics which is useful to model Dark Energy and Inflation. I will discuss an equivalent hydrodynamical formulation of these theories and cosmological applications.

**IMPERFECT DARK ENERGY
OF
KINETIC
GRAVITY
BRAIDING**

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SUMMARY

- **Non-canonical scalar field ϕ which “acts” like imperfect fluid: on general (not exact FRW) background**

$$T_{\mu\nu} \neq \mathcal{E} u_\mu u_\nu - \perp_{\mu\nu} \mathcal{P}$$

- ϕ **kinetically mixes / “braids” with the metric**

$$(\partial\phi)^2 \partial_\mu (\sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu \phi) \quad \text{c.f.} \quad F_{\mu\nu}^{(1)} (A^\alpha) F^{(2)\mu\nu} (B_\beta)$$

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- Manifestly stable (no ghosts and no gradient instabilities) and large violation of the Null Energy Condition (NEC) is possible even in *minimally coupled stable* theories: *stable Phantom* $w < -1$
- Vanishing shift-charge (charge with respect to $\phi \rightarrow \phi + c$) corresponds to cosmological attractors similar to Ghost Condensate / “bad” k-Inflation. These attractors can be manifestly stable (no ghosts and no gradient instabilities) and their exact properties depend on external matter. These attractors generically evolve to de Sitter in late time asymptotic. Interesting for DE!



BRAIDING METRIC WITH A SCALAR FIELD

WHAT IS KINETIC GRAVITY BRAIDING?

$$S_\phi = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [K(\phi, X) + G(\phi, X) \square \phi]$$

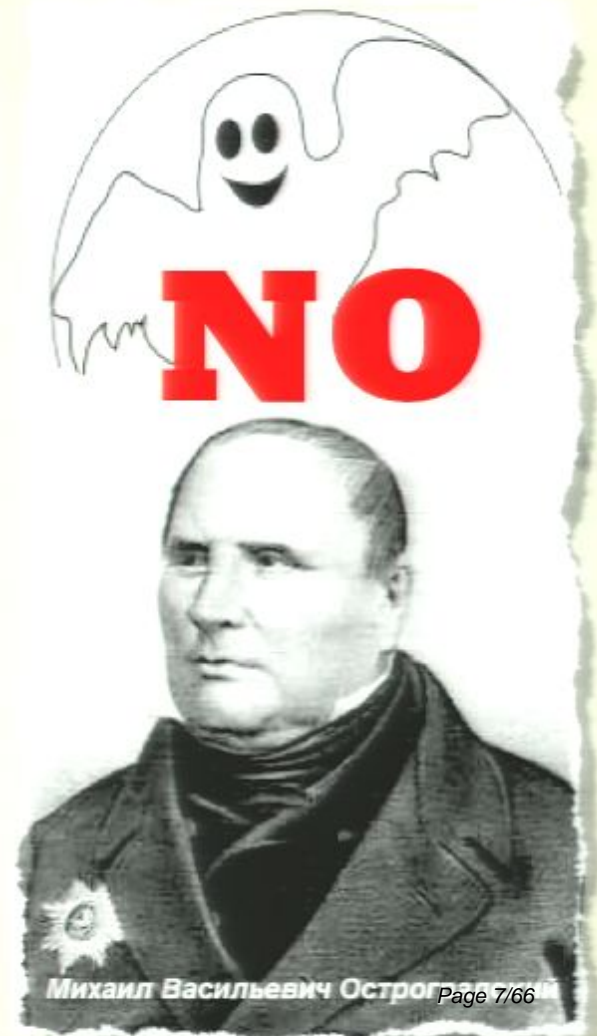
where $X \equiv \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \nabla_\mu \phi \nabla_\nu \phi$

Minimal coupling to gravity $S_{\text{tot}} = S_\phi + S_{\text{EH}}$

However, derivatives of the metric are coupled
to the derivatives of the scalar, provided

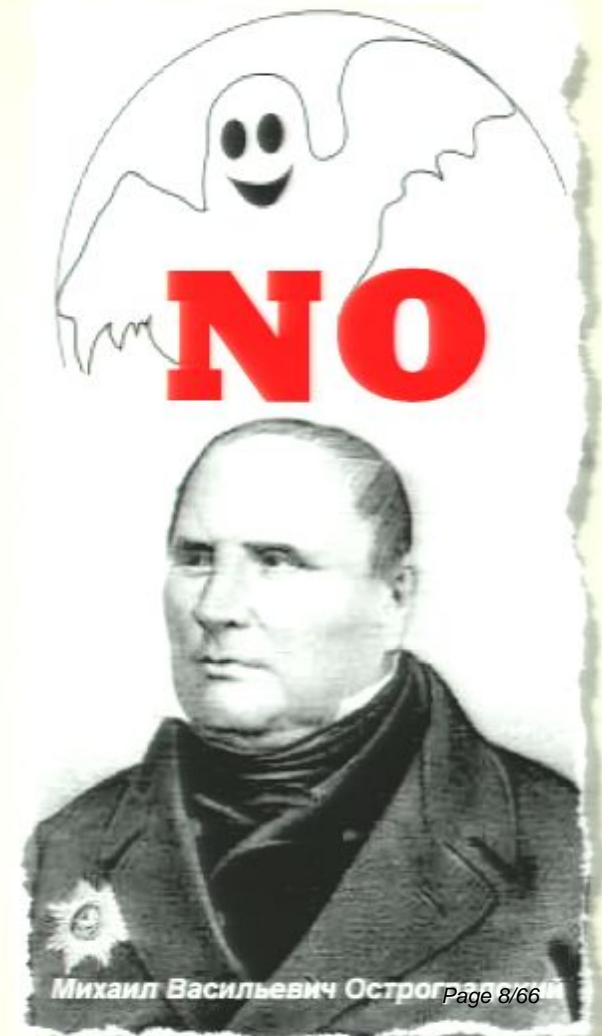
$$G_X \neq 0$$

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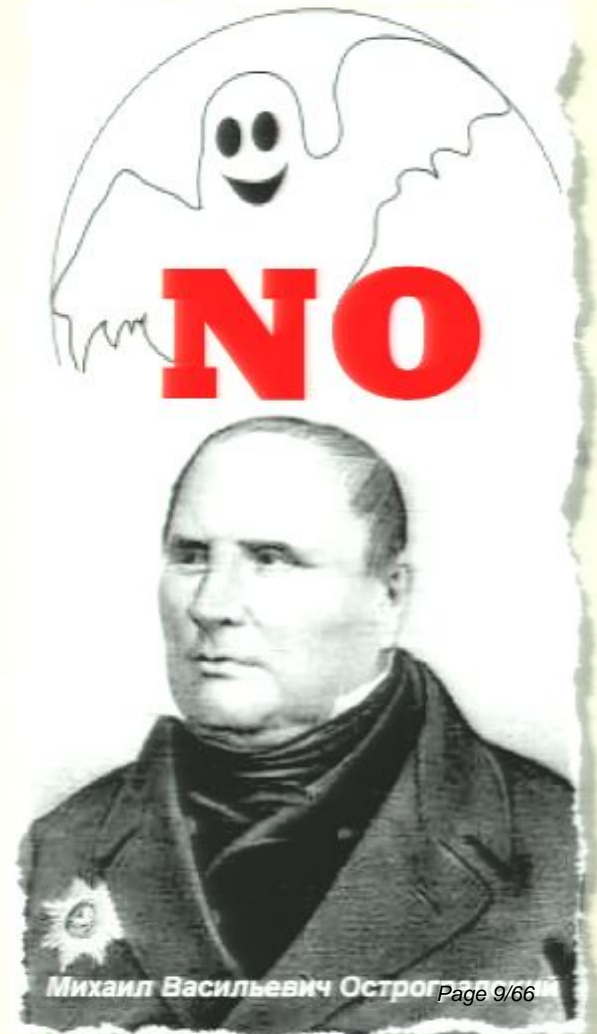
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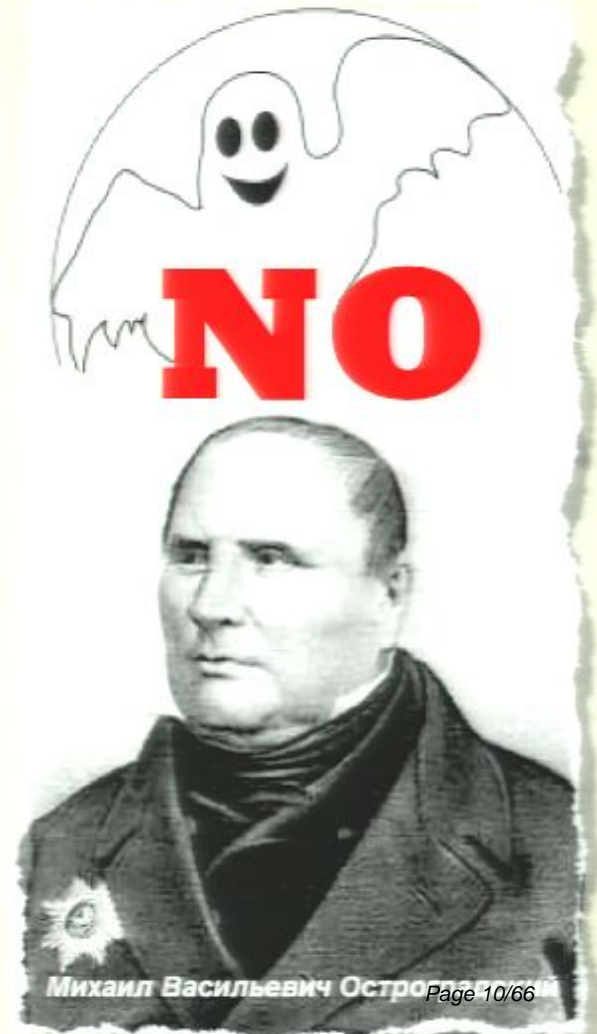
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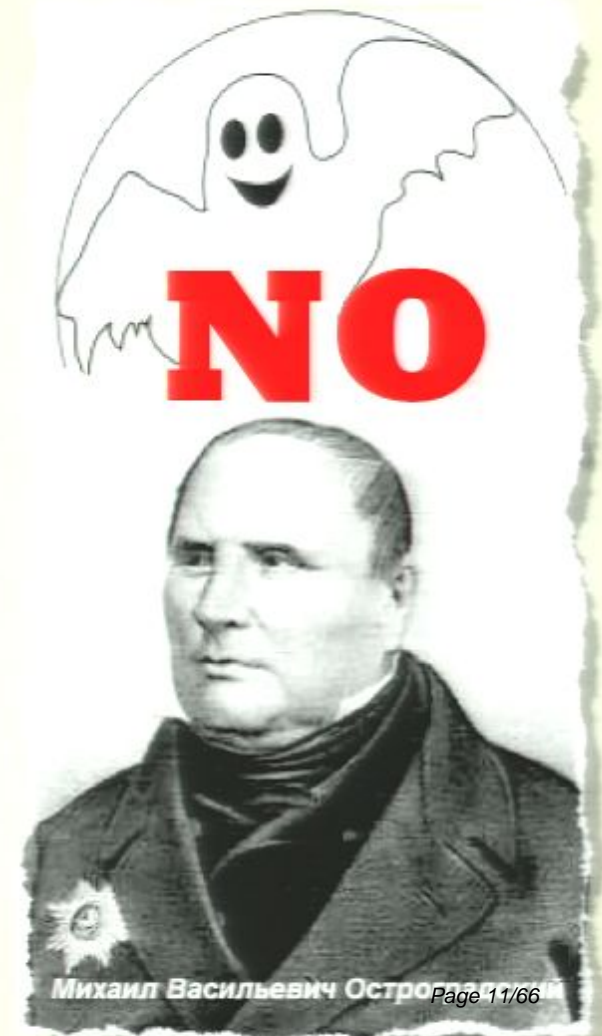
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- Despite the HD in the action, the equations of motion are still of the 2nd order:
**NO new degrees of freedom -
NO Ostrogradsky's ghosts**



KINETIC GRAVITY BRAIDING IS SIMILAR TO GALILEON (©Nicolis, Rattazzi, Trincherini 2008) BUT

- Does **not require** the Galilean symmetry:

$$\phi \rightarrow \phi + c \quad \text{and} \quad \partial_\mu \phi \rightarrow \partial_\mu \phi + c_\mu$$

- General functions $K(\phi, X)$ and $G(\phi, X)$

- **Minimal coupling to gravity, NO ϕT^μ_μ , NO higher order terms like**

$$\phi_{;\lambda} \phi^{;\lambda} \left((\square \phi)^2 - \phi_{;\mu\nu} \phi^{;\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} \phi_{;\mu} \phi^{;\mu} R \right)$$

General Galileon

DGP in “decoupling limit”

Kinetic Gravity Braiding

K-Essence, DBI

EXPANSIONS IN GRADIENT TERMS

- K-Essence, DBI etc

$$K(\phi, X) \sim X \left(1 + c_1(\phi) X + c_2(\phi) X^2 + \dots \right)$$

- Kinetic Gravity Braiding – integrate the canonical kinetic energy by parts

$$G(\phi, X) \square\phi \sim -\phi \square\phi \left(1 + \tilde{c}_1(\phi) X + \tilde{c}_2(\phi) X^2 + \dots \right)$$

EQUATION OF MOTION I

$$L^{\mu\nu} \nabla_{\mu} \nabla_{\nu} \phi + (\nabla_{\alpha} \nabla_{\beta} \phi) Q^{\alpha\beta\mu\nu} (\nabla_{\mu} \nabla_{\nu} \phi) + \\ + Z - G_X R^{\mu\nu} \nabla_{\mu} \phi \nabla_{\nu} \phi = 0$$

Braiding

EOM is of the second order: $L_{\mu\nu}, Q^{\alpha\beta\mu\nu}, Z$

constructed from field and it's first derivatives

$Q^{\alpha\beta\mu\nu}$ **is such that EOM is a 4D Lorentzian
generalization of the Monge-Ampère Equation,
always *linear* in $\ddot{\phi}$**

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BRAIDING

$$\text{Einstein Equations } (\phi, \partial\phi, \partial\partial\phi, g, \partial g, \partial\partial g) = 0$$

$$\phi\text{EoM } (\phi, \partial\phi, \partial\partial\phi, g, \partial g, \partial\partial g) = 0$$

Cannot solve separately !!!!

characteristics (cones of propagation)

depend on external matter

IMPERFECT FLUID

FOR TIMELIKE GRADIENTS

- **Four velocity** $u_\mu \equiv \frac{\nabla_\mu \phi}{\sqrt{2X}}$ **projector:** $\perp_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} - u_\mu u_\nu$
- **Time derivative** $(\dot{}) \equiv \frac{d}{d\tau} \equiv u^\lambda \nabla_\lambda$
- **Acceleration** $a_\mu \equiv \dot{u}_\mu$
- **Expansion** $\theta \equiv \perp_\mu^\lambda \nabla_\lambda u^\mu = \dot{V}/V$
↙
comoving volume

EFFECTIVE MASS & CHEMICAL POTENTIAL

- charge density: $n \equiv J^\mu u_\mu = n_0 + \kappa\theta$
“Braiding”
- energy density: $\mathcal{E} \equiv T_{\mu\nu} u^\mu u^\nu = \mathcal{E}_0 + \theta m \kappa$
- effective mass per shift-charge / chemical potential:

$$m \equiv \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial n} \right)_{V, \phi} = \sqrt{2X} = \dot{\phi}$$

SHIFT-CURRENT AND DIFFUSION

$$J_{\mu} = n u_{\mu} - \frac{\kappa}{m} \perp_{\mu}^{\lambda} \nabla_{\lambda} m$$

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§ 59, *L&L*, vol. 6

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ENERGY CONSERVATION IN COMOVING VOLUME

Energy conservation: $u_\nu \nabla_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$



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VACUUM-ATTRACTORS

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for no particles: $n_* = 0$



$$\mathcal{E}_* = -\mathcal{P}_* - \kappa_* \dot{m}_*$$

almost dS!

COSMOLOGY

$$q_{\mu} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \theta = 3H$$

Friedmann Equation:

$$H^2 = \kappa m H + \frac{1}{3} (\mathcal{E}_0 + \rho_{\text{ext}})$$

$$r_c^{-1} = \kappa m \quad \text{“crossover” scale in DGP}$$

CHARGE CONSERVATION

$$\dot{n} + 3Hn = \mathcal{P}_\phi$$

If there is shift-symmetry then

$$\mathcal{P}_\phi = 0$$



$$n \propto a^{-3}$$

INFLATION BRINGS
THE SCALAR TO
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GHOSTY

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Effective metric for perturbations

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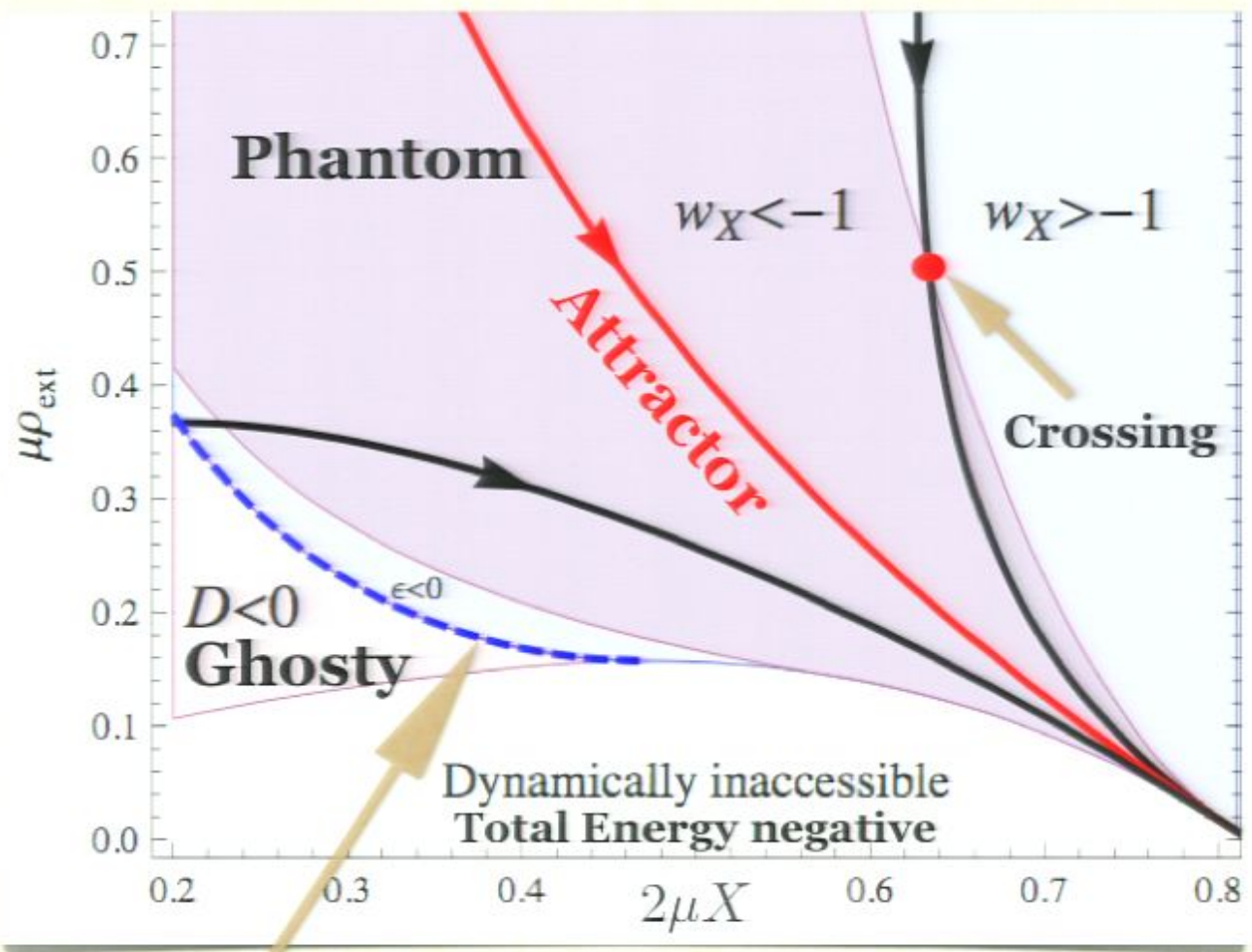
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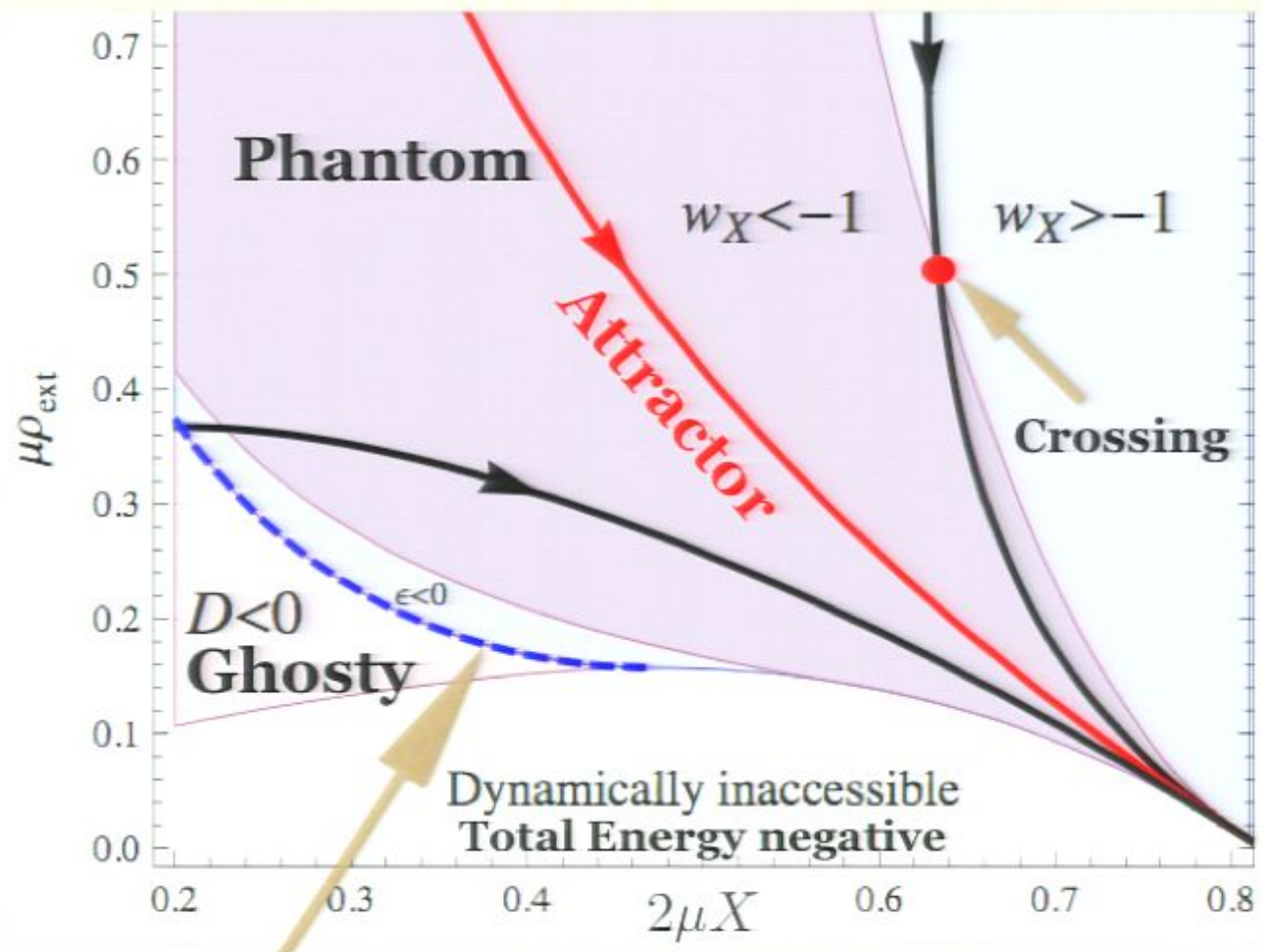


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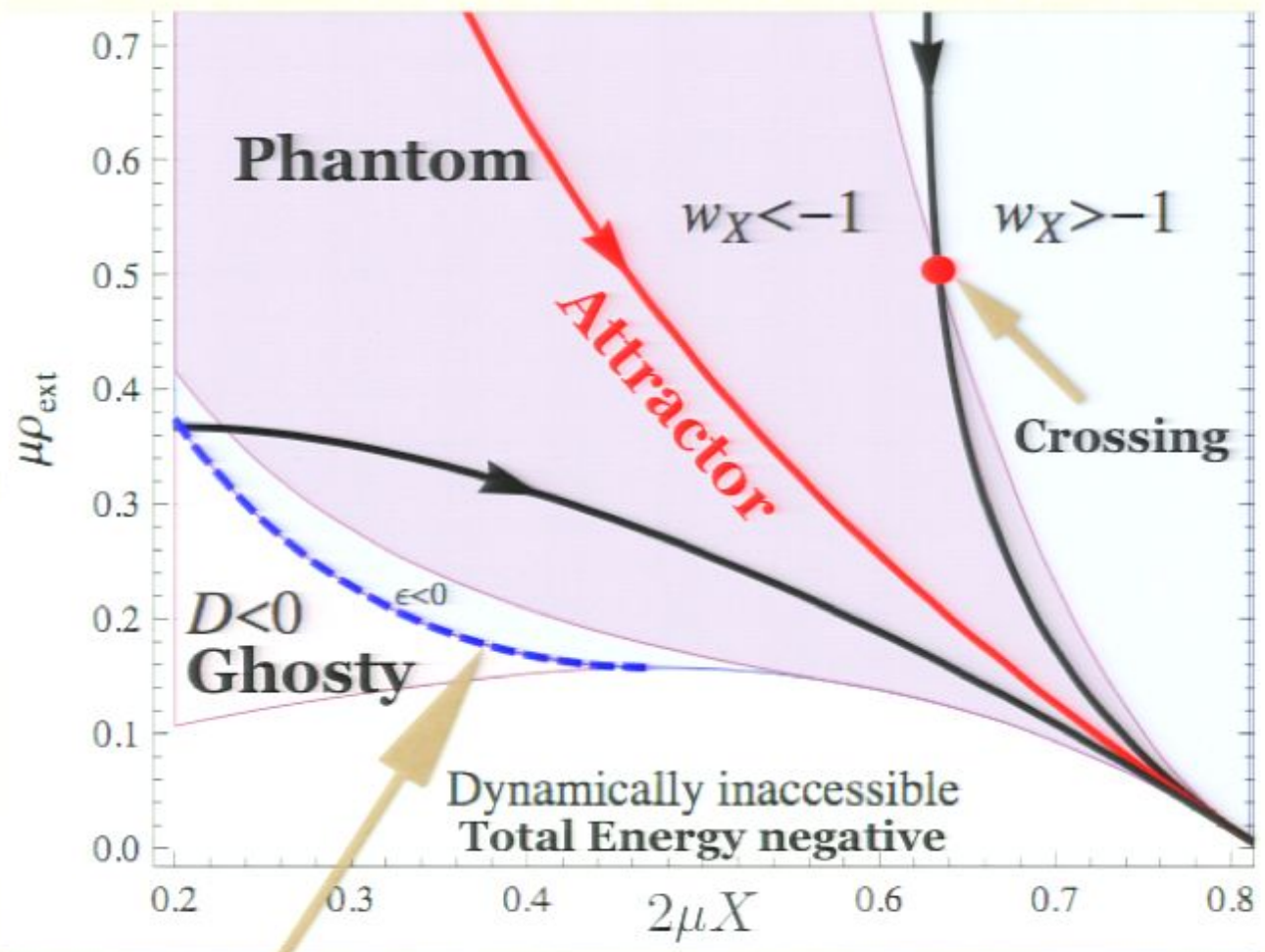
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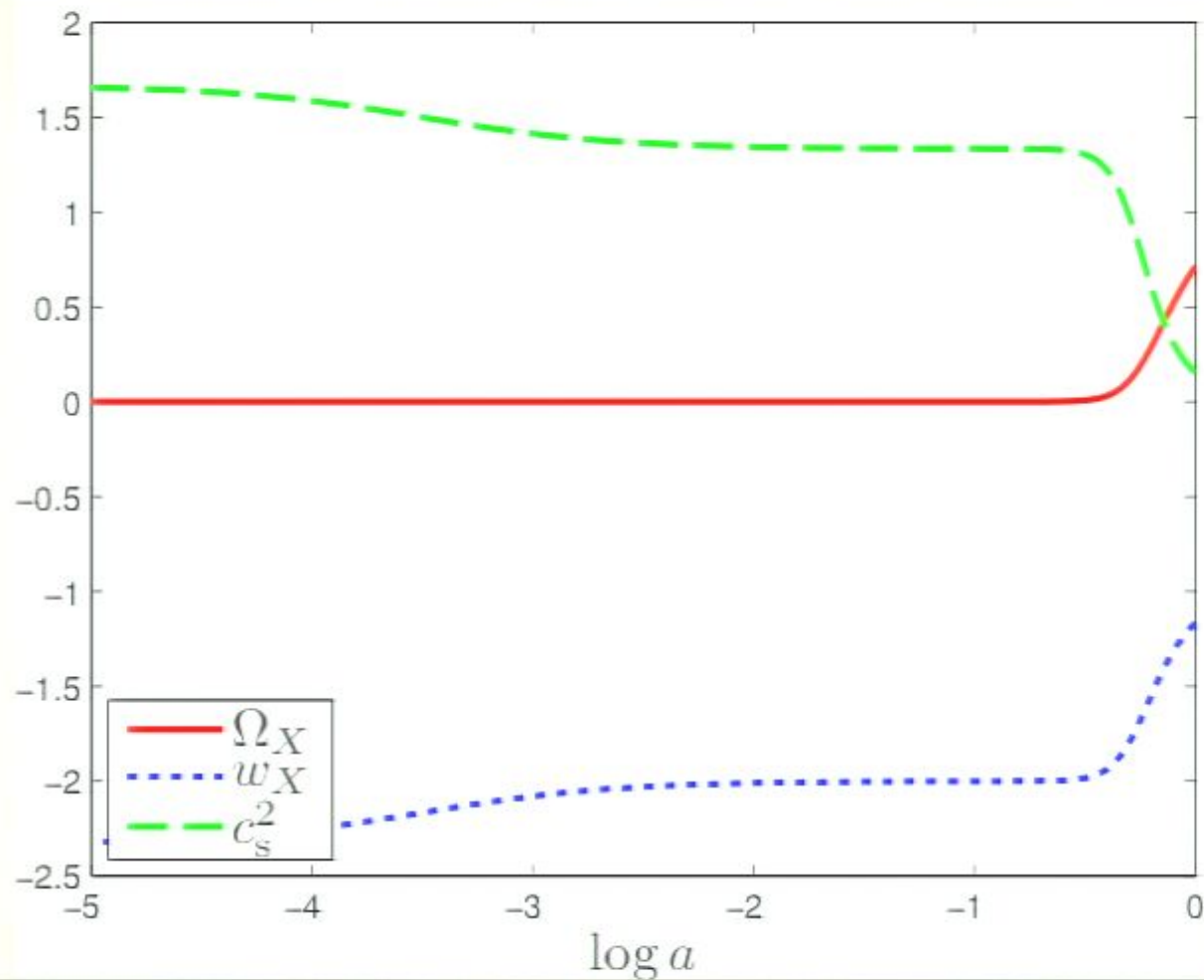
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In Quintessence - the size of the universe



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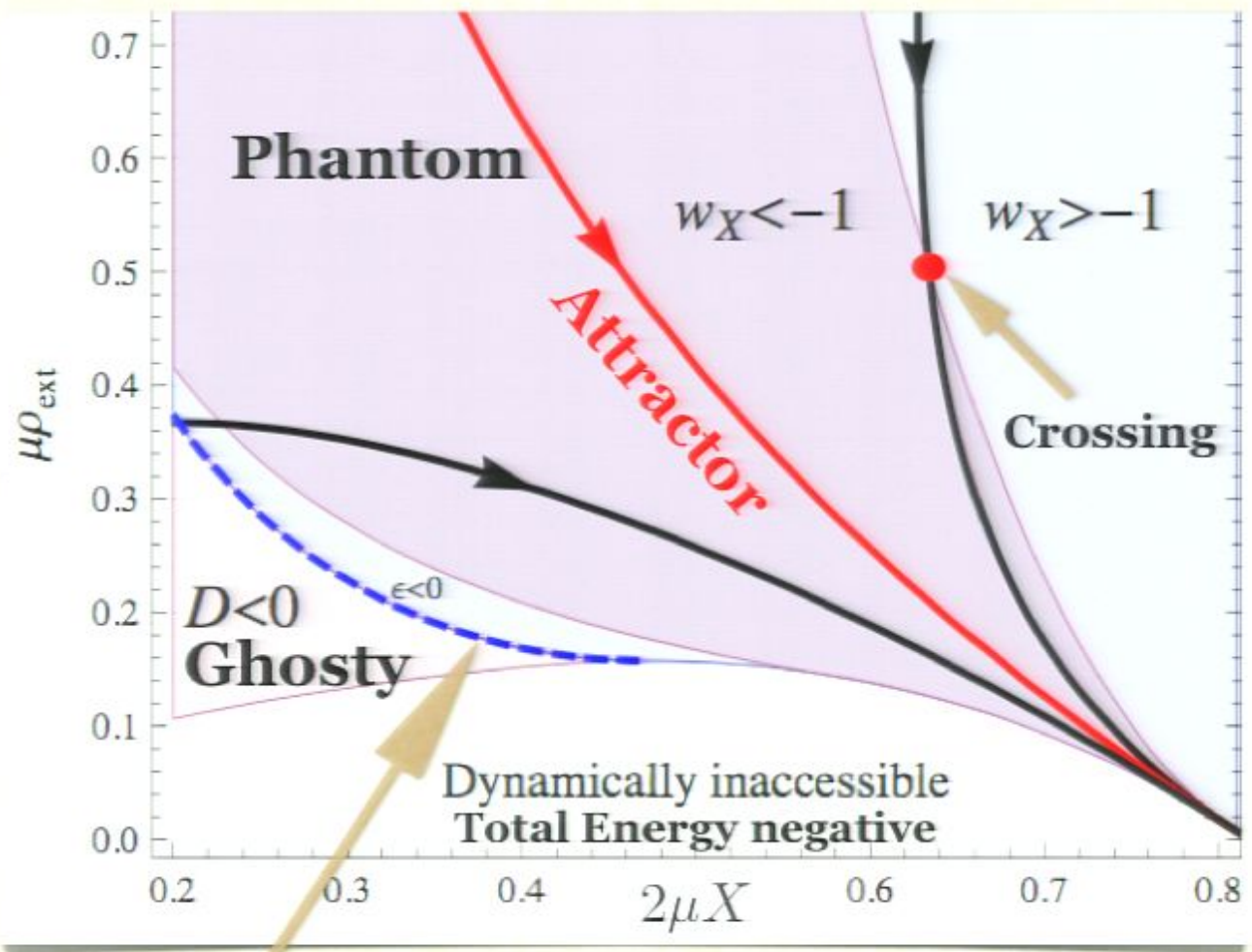
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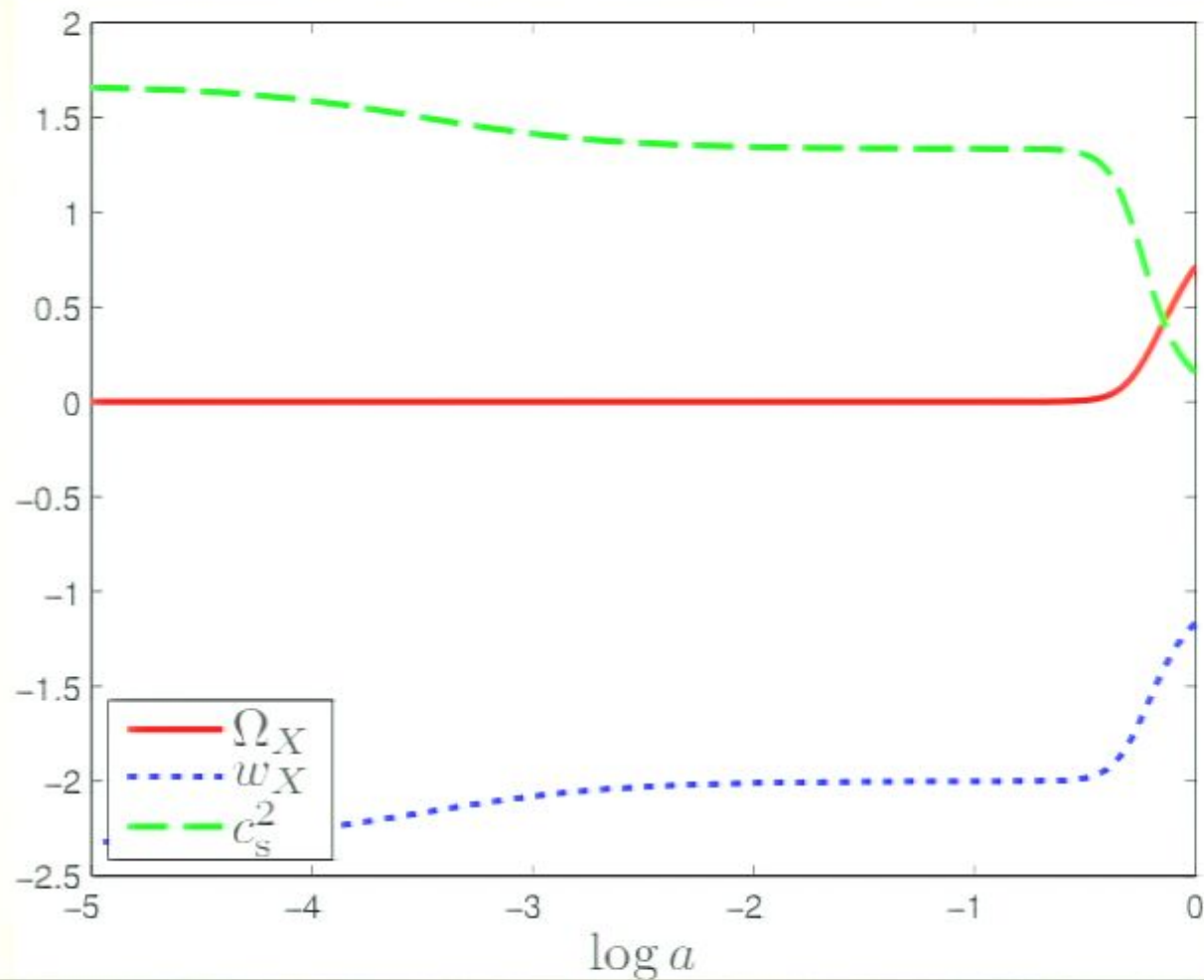
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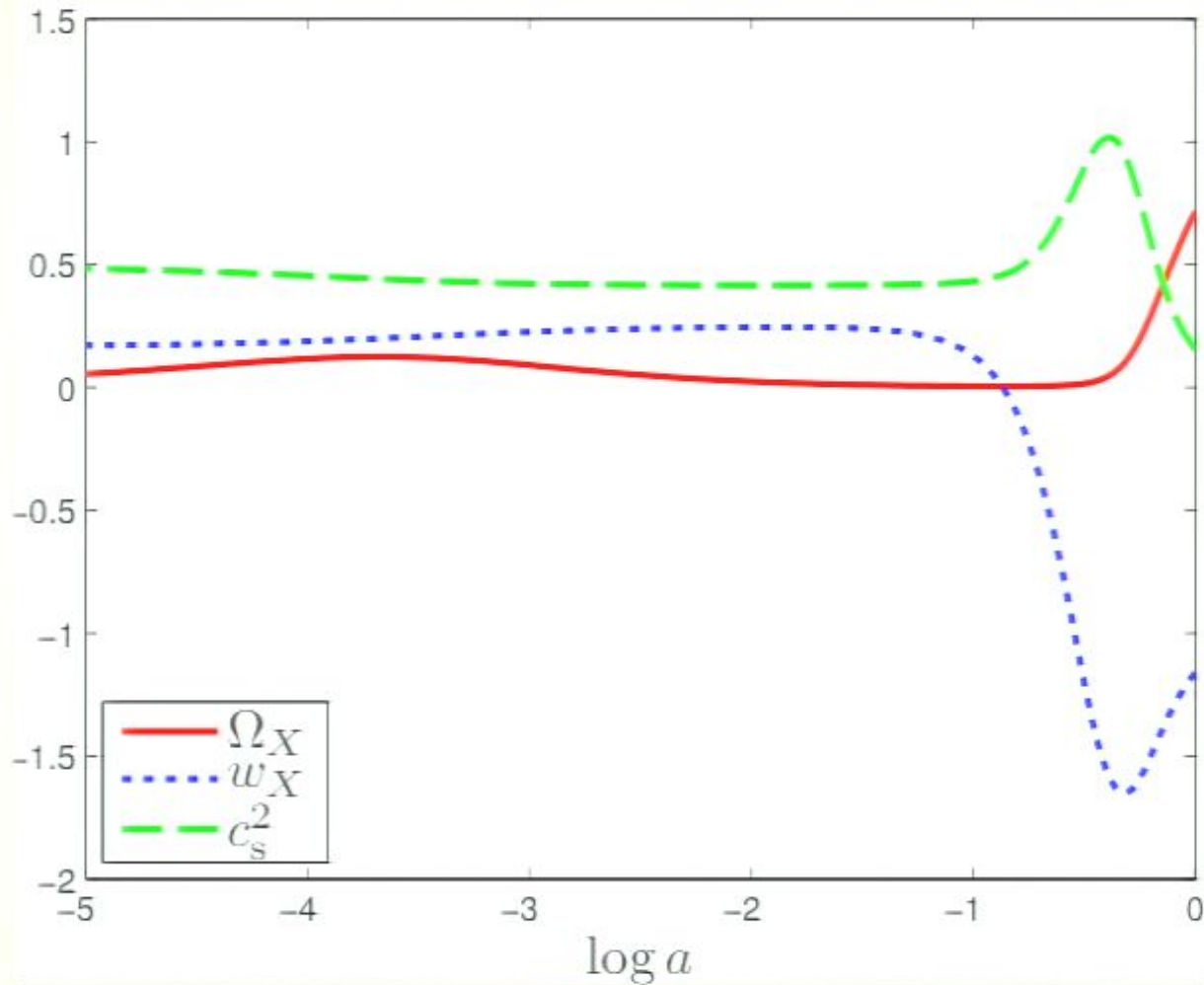


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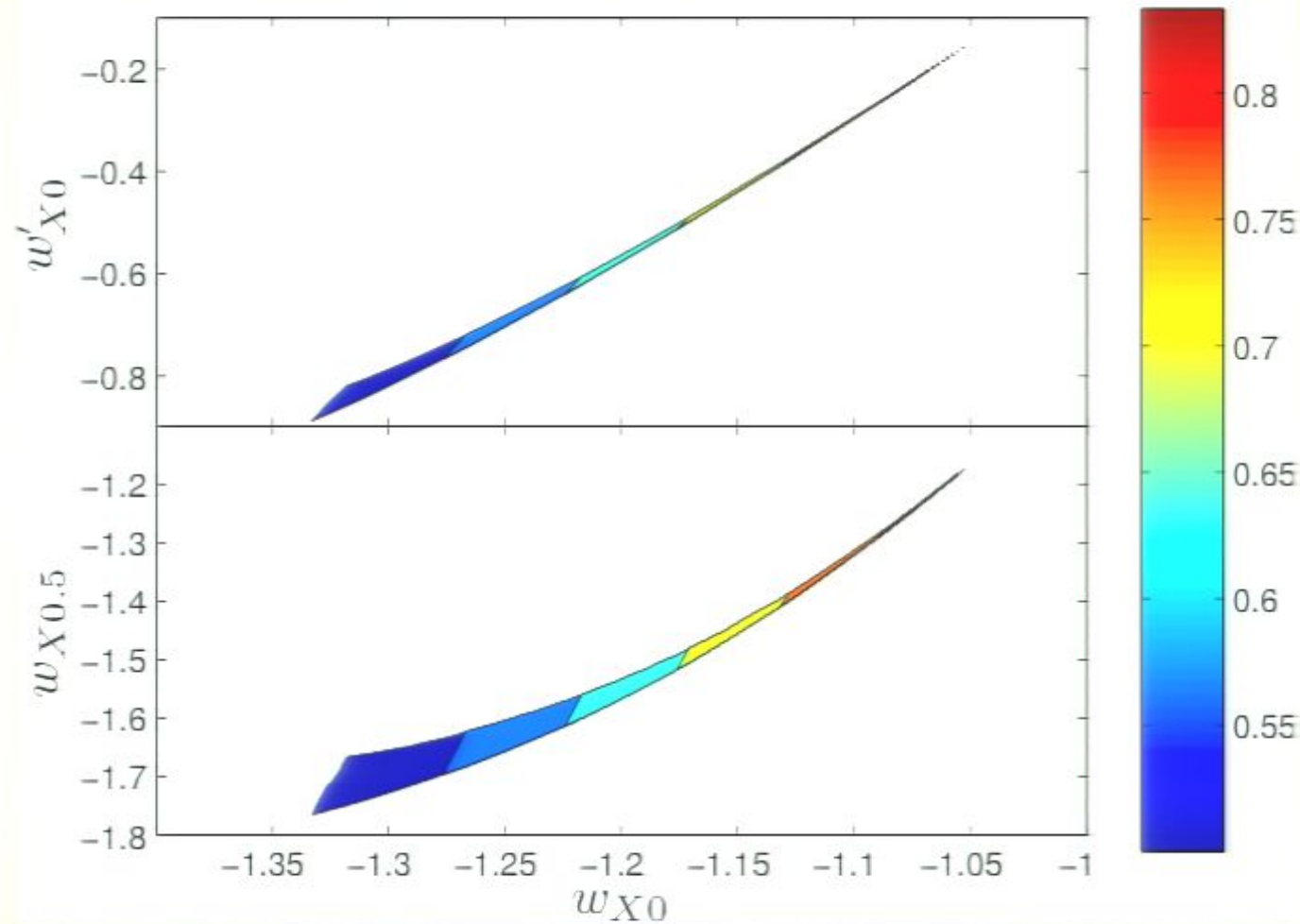
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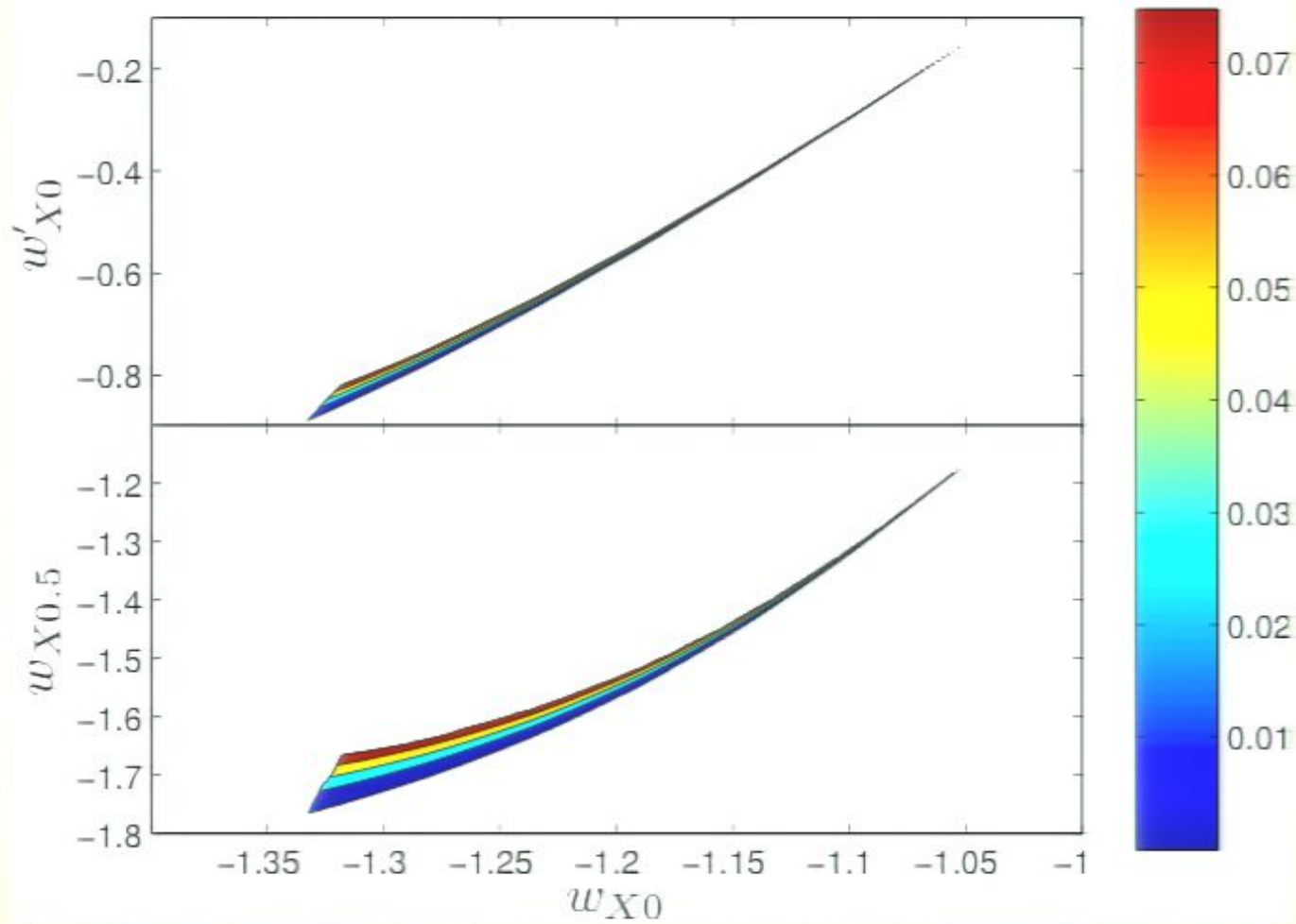


Evolution of DE properties in the Friedmann universe which also contains dust and radiation. The energy density in the scalar is J -dominated (off attractor) until a transition during the matter domination epoch. This allows the scalar to increase its contribution to the total energy budget throughout radiation domination ($w_X = 1/6$) and provide an early DE peaked at matter-radiation equality, from whence it begins to decline with $w_X = 1/4$. The transition to the attractor behaviour is rapid. The equation of state crosses $w_X = -1$ and the scalar energy density begins to grow. The final stages of evolution are



$0.1 < \Omega_m < 0.5$ and $\Omega_{X_{eq}} < 0.1$. The shading contours correspond to the energy density of DE today Ω_{X0} . Two parameterisations of DE behaviour are shown: w_X and w'_X evaluated today, and w_X evaluated today and at $z = 1/2$. The requirement that the energy density in DE at matter-radiation equality be small, $\Omega_X^{eq} < 0.1$ forces the value of the shift charge to be small today $Q_0 < 10^{-2}$.

This means that in the most recent history, the evolution has effectively been on attractor or very close to it and the permitted value of w_X is very restricted



The shading representing the contribution of DE to energy density at matter-radiation equality. We choose to cut the parameters such that the contribution to this early DE at that time is no larger than 10%. It can clearly be seen that values of w_X closer to -1 are obtained when the shift charge is larger, but this leads to more early DE, eventually disagreeing with current constraints

FURTHER DEVELOPMENT

Kinetic Gravity Braiding with $G \propto X^n$

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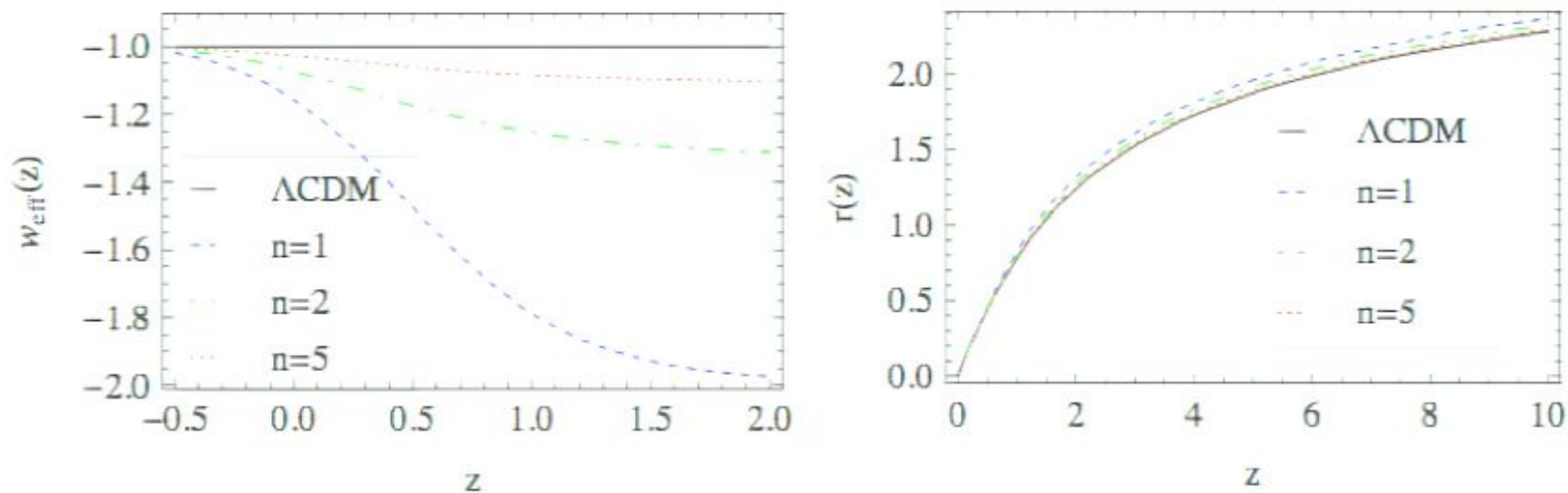


FIG. 1: Left panel: The effective equation of state w_{eff} as a function of redshift for Λ CDM (solid curve) and the kinetic braiding mode with $n = 1$ (dashed curve), $n = 2$ (dash-dotted curve), and $n = 5$ (dotted curve), respectively. Right panel: The comoving distance $\tau(z)$, normalised by H_0 , as a function of redshift for Λ CDM and this model.

CONSTRAINTS FROM CMB AND SN Ia

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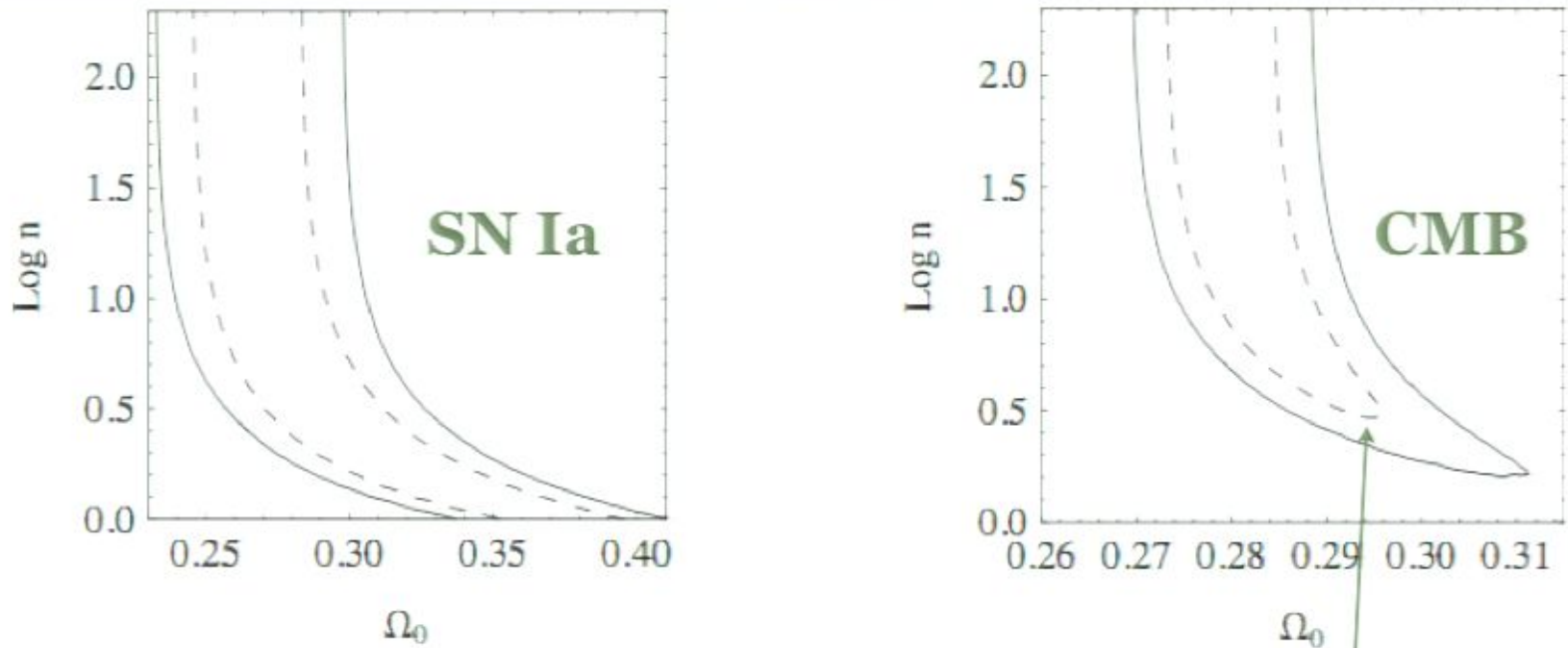


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The SCP Union2 Compilation is a collection of 557 type Ia supernovae data whose range of the redshift is $0.015 < z < 1.4$

Thus $n \gtrsim 3$ mass scale $\sim 10^{-3} \text{eV}$

Length Scale: **1/10 mm**

GROWTH FACTOR

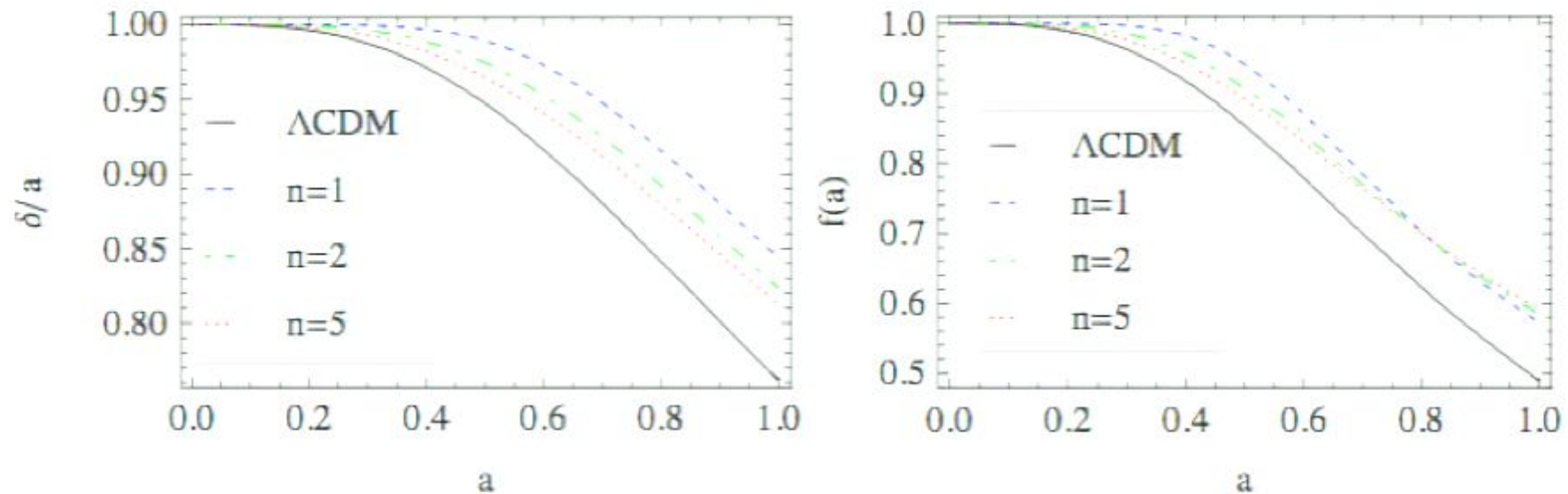
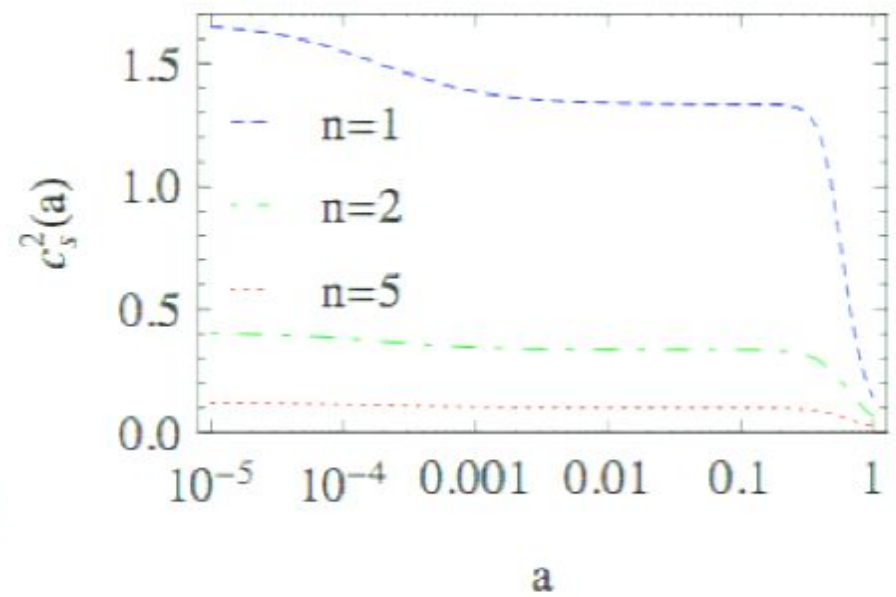
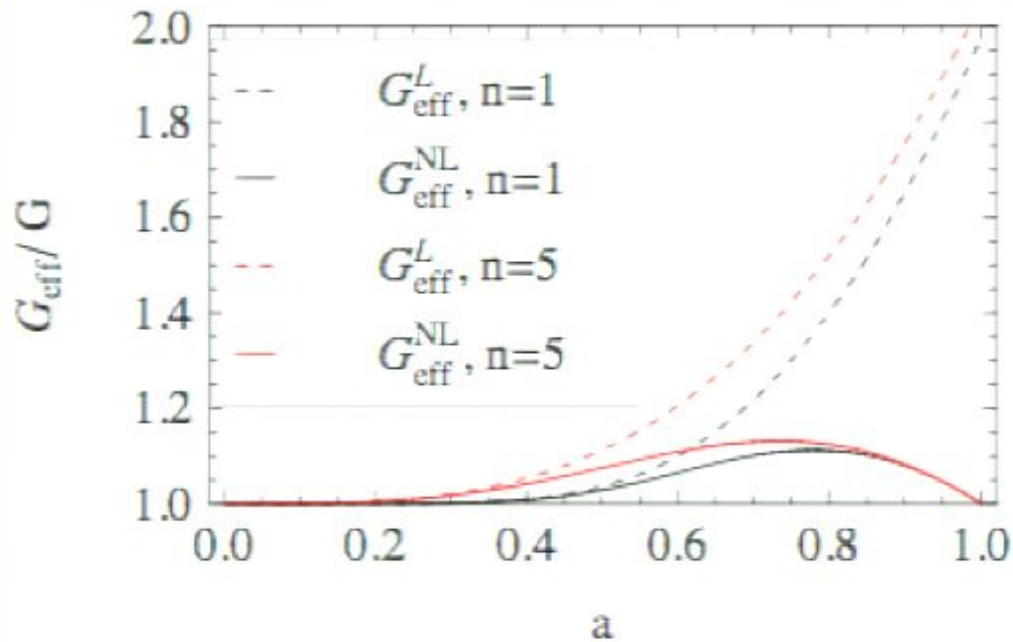


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EFFECTIVE NEWTON CONSTANT FOR PERTURBATIONS AND THE SOUND SPEED



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THANKS A LOT FOR
YOUR ATTENTION!

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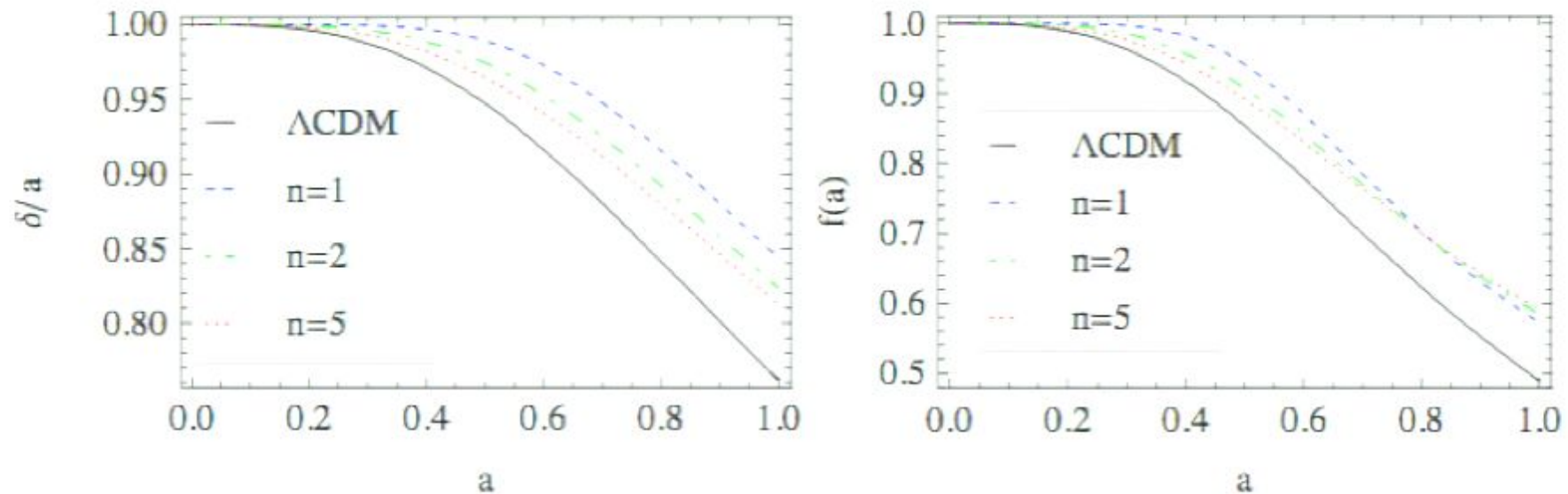


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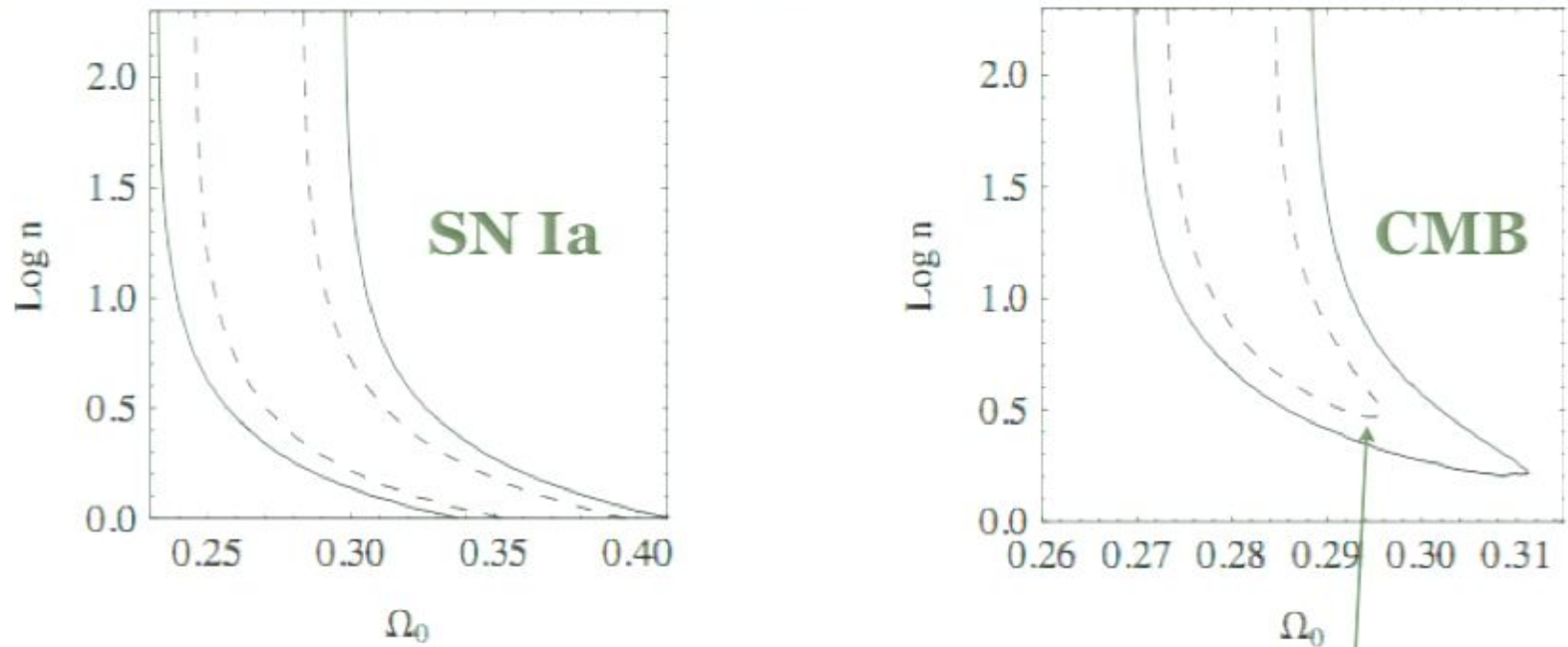


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The SCP Union2 Compilation is a collection of 557 type Ia supernovae data whose range of the redshift is $0.015 < z < 1.4$

Thus $n \gtrsim 3$ mass scale $\sim 10^{-3} \text{eV}$

Length Scale: **1/10 mm**

GROWTH FACTOR

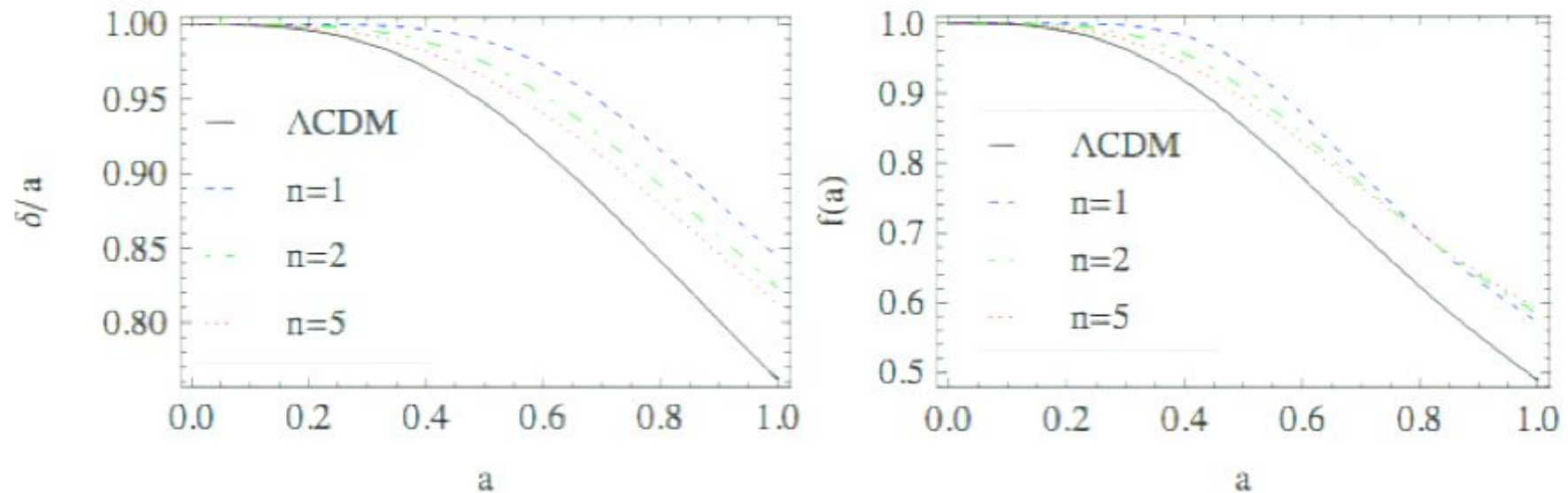
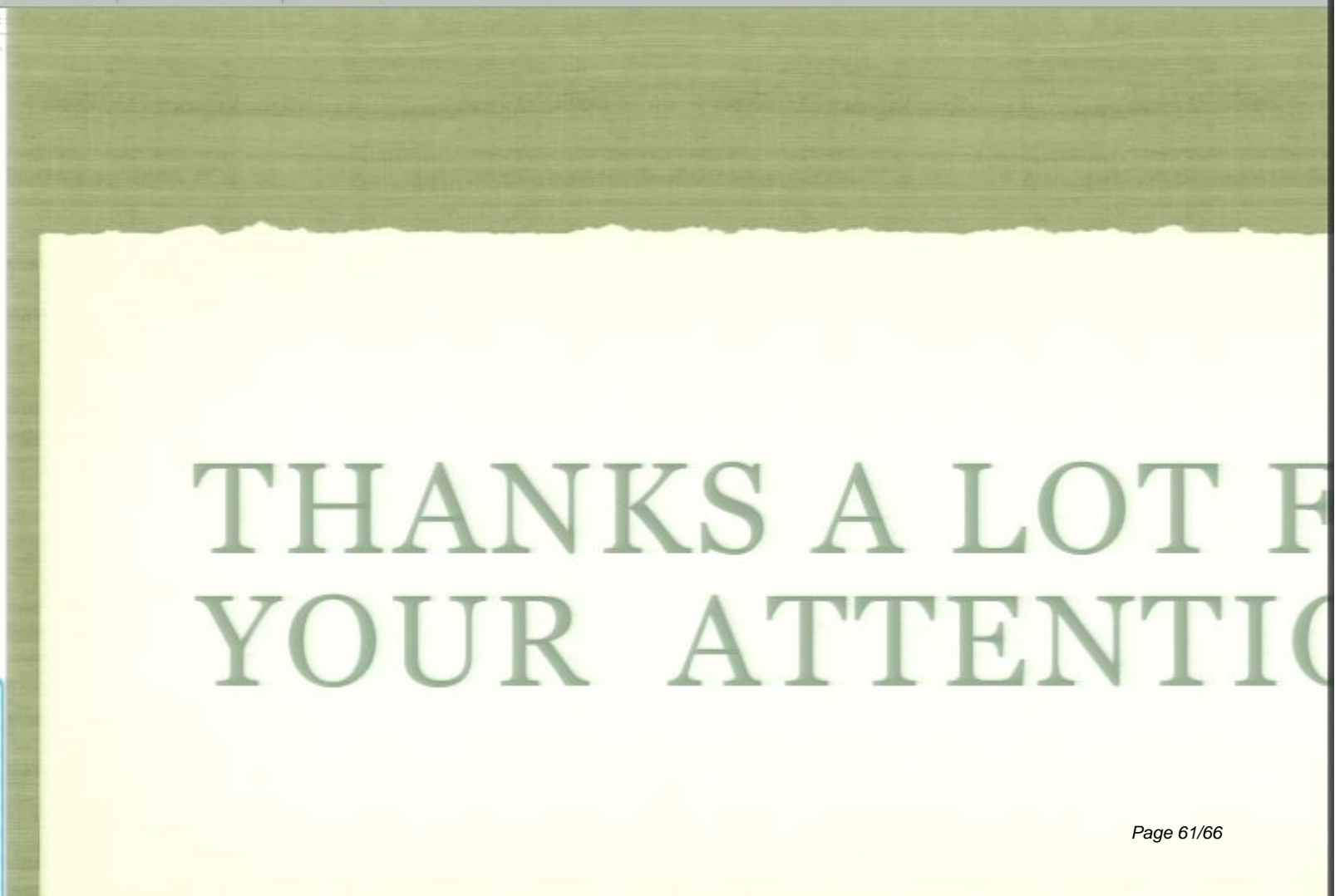


FIG. 4: Left panel: The growth factor divided by scale factor as a function of scale factor for the Λ CDM model (solid curve) and the kinetic braiding model $n = 1$ (dashed curve), $n = 2$ (dash-dotted curve), and $n = 5$ (dotted curve), respectively. Right panel: The linear growth rate as a function of scale factor.

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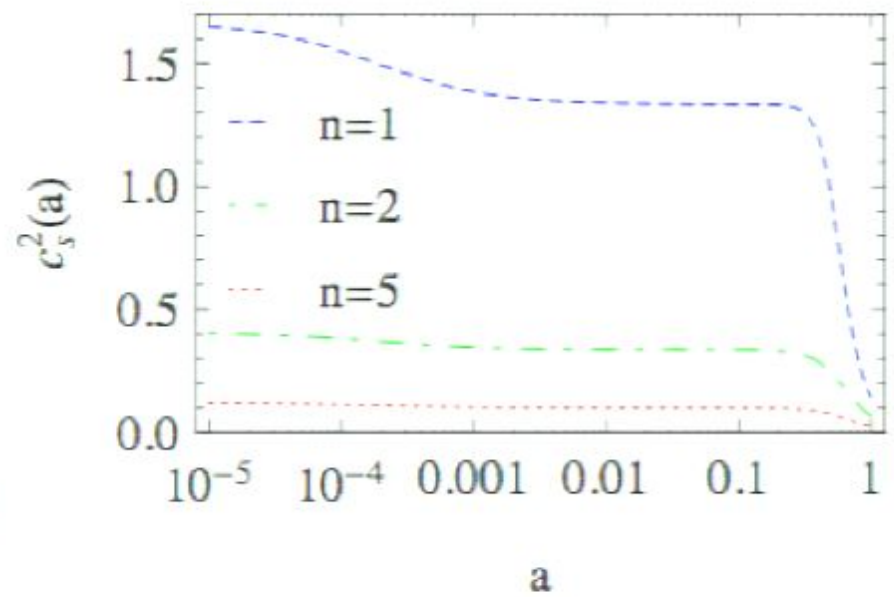
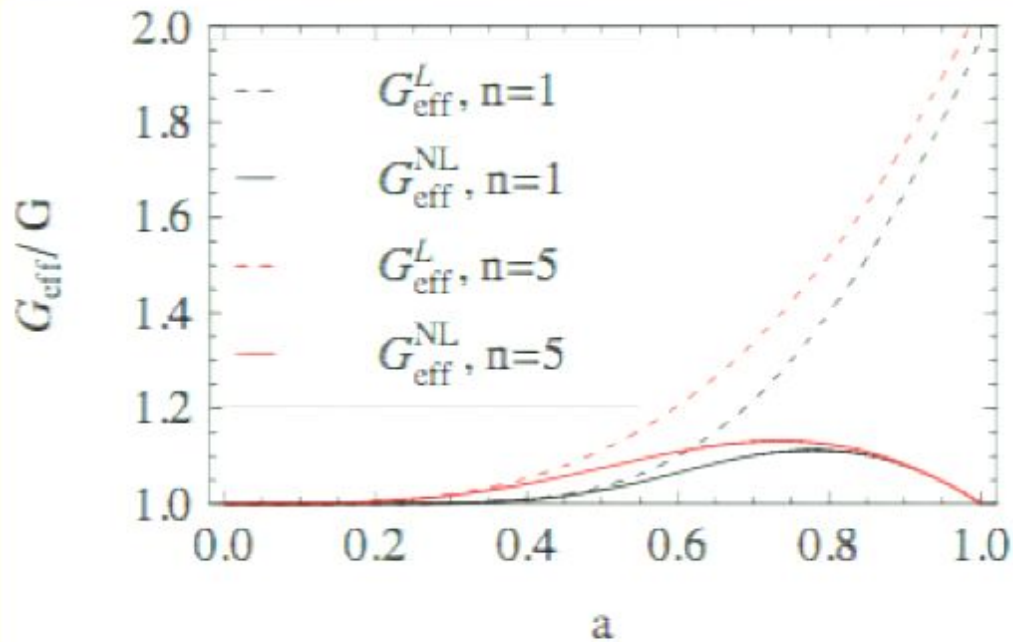
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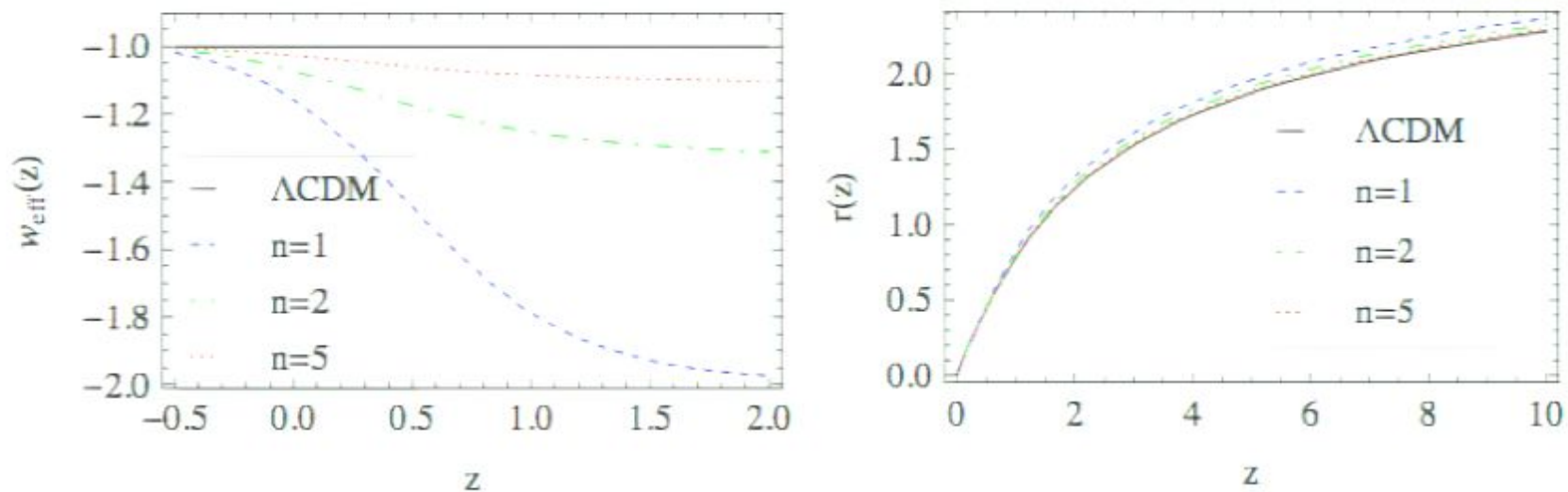
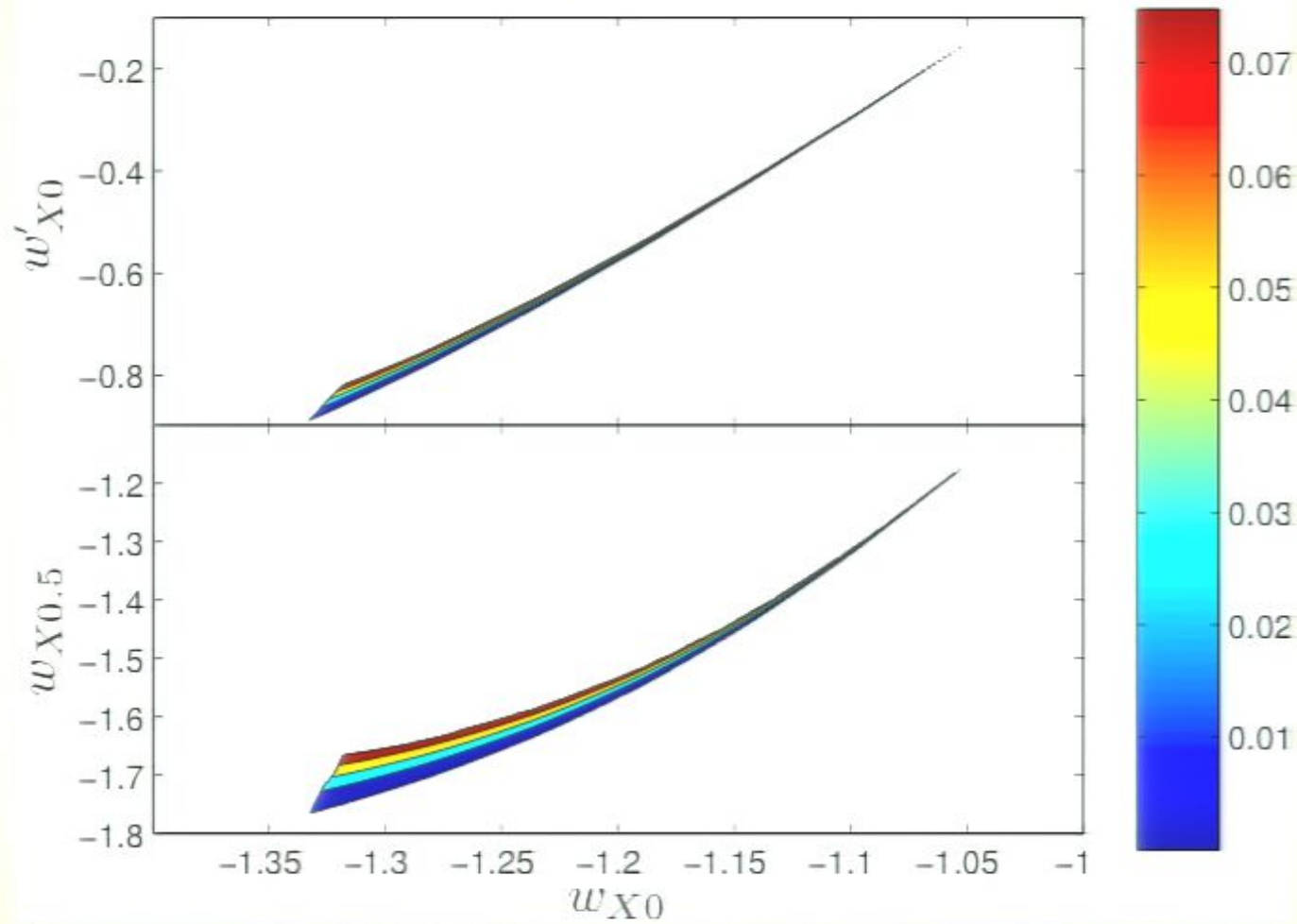


FIG. 1: Left panel: The effective equation of state w_{eff} as a function of redshift for Λ CDM (solid curve) and the kinetic braiding mode with $n = 1$ (dashed curve), $n = 2$ (dash-dotted curve), and $n = 5$ (dotted curve), respectively. Right panel: The comoving distance $r(z)$, normalised by H_0 , as a function of redshift for Λ CDM and this model.



The shading representing the contribution of DE to energy density at matter-radiation equality. We choose to cut the parameters such that the contribution to this early DE at that time is no larger than 10%. It can clearly be seen that values of w_X closer to -1 are obtained when the shift charge is larger, but this leads to more early DE, eventually disagreeing with current constraints

DARK ENERGY

assume today $\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}\mu\rho_{\text{ext}} \ll 1 \rightarrow H_*^2 \simeq \frac{1}{6}\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\mu^{-1}$

$\Lambda_* \simeq \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\mu^{-1} \simeq 3\rho_{\text{CDM}} \rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}\rho_{\text{CDM}}\mu \simeq \frac{1}{6} \ll 1$

Mass Scale $\sim \mu^{-1/3} \sim (H_0^2 M_{\text{Pl}})^{1/3} \sim 10^{-13} \text{eV}$

Length Scale: **1000 km**

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