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DARK ENERGY
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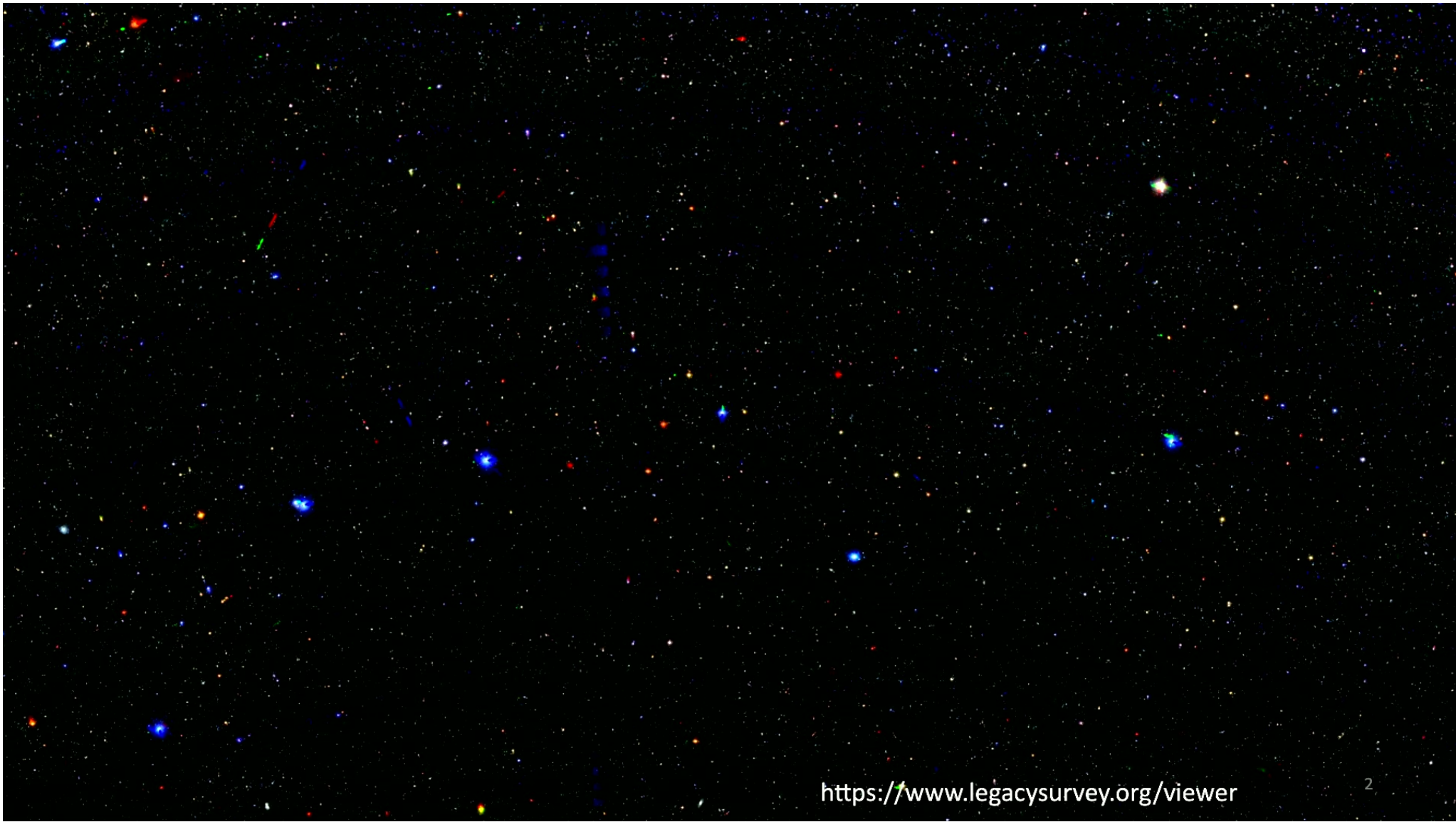
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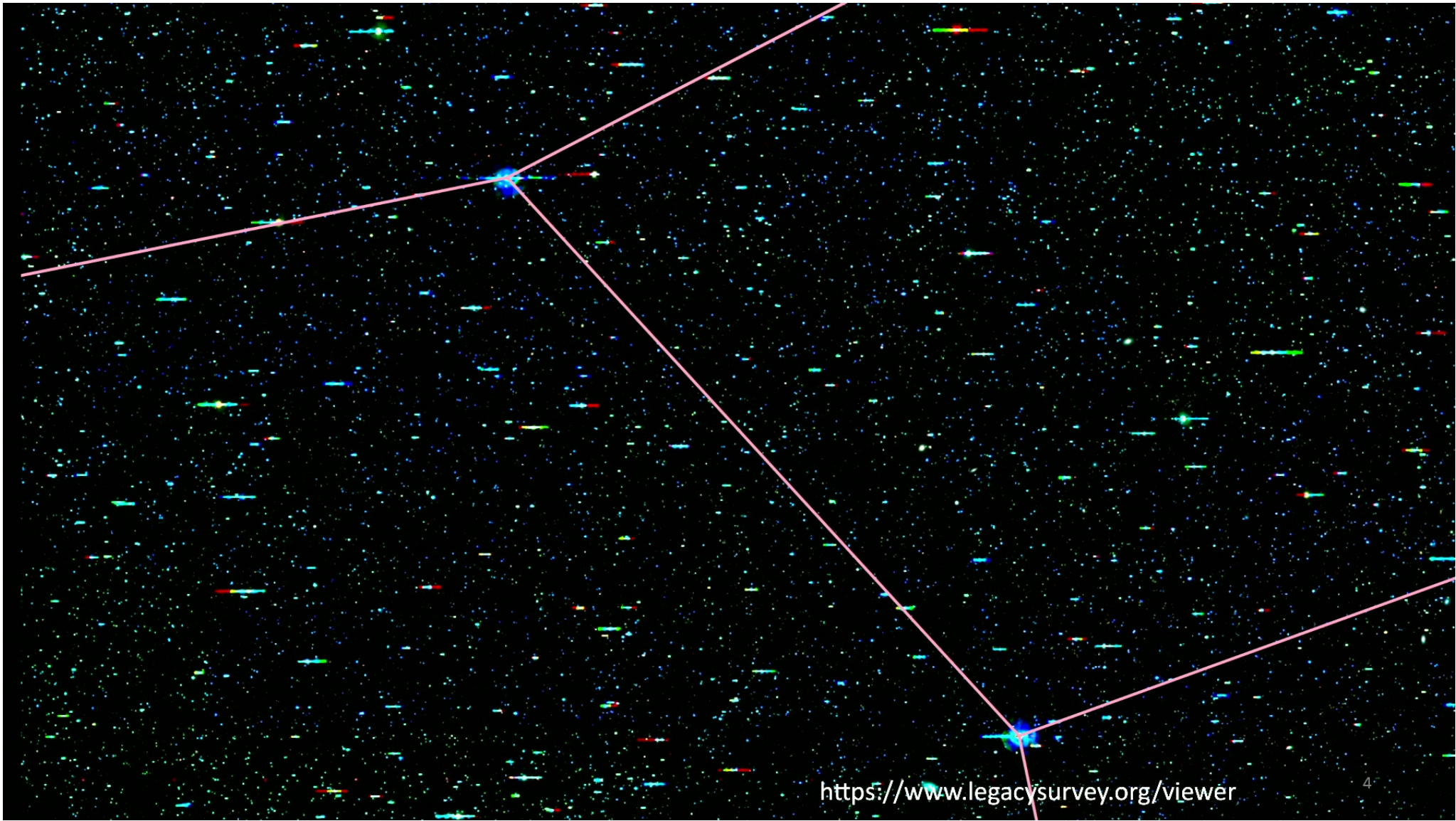
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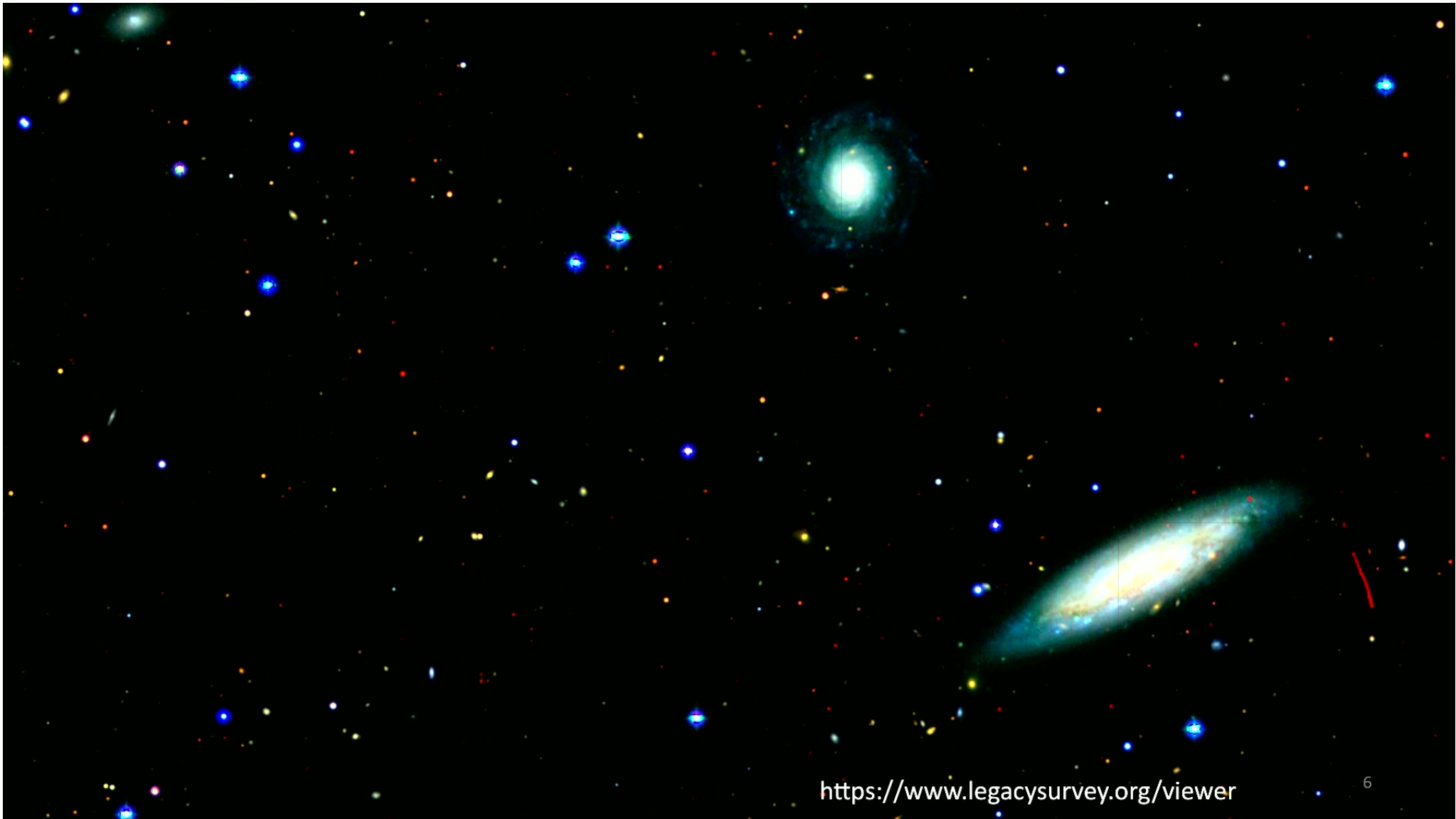
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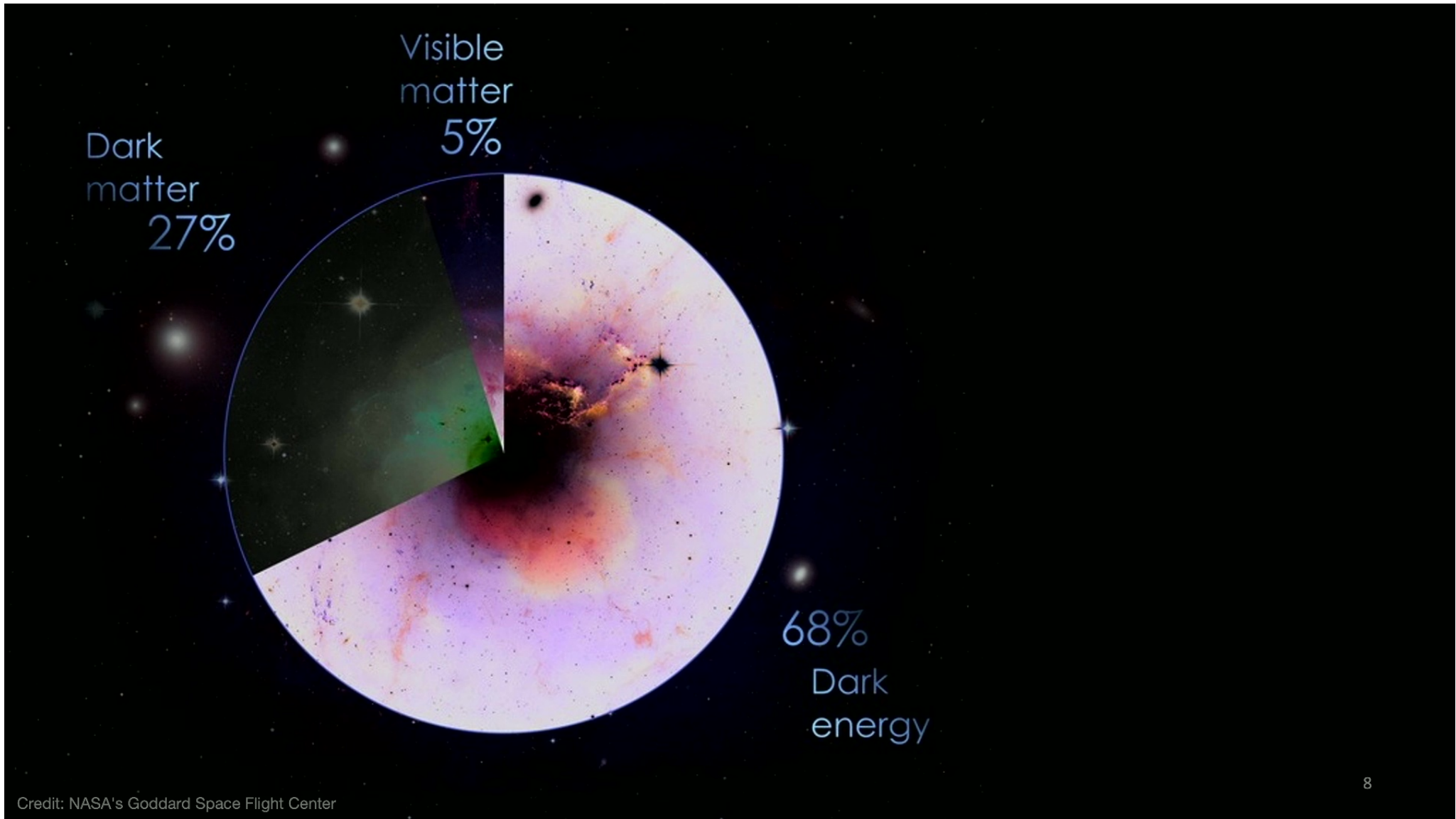




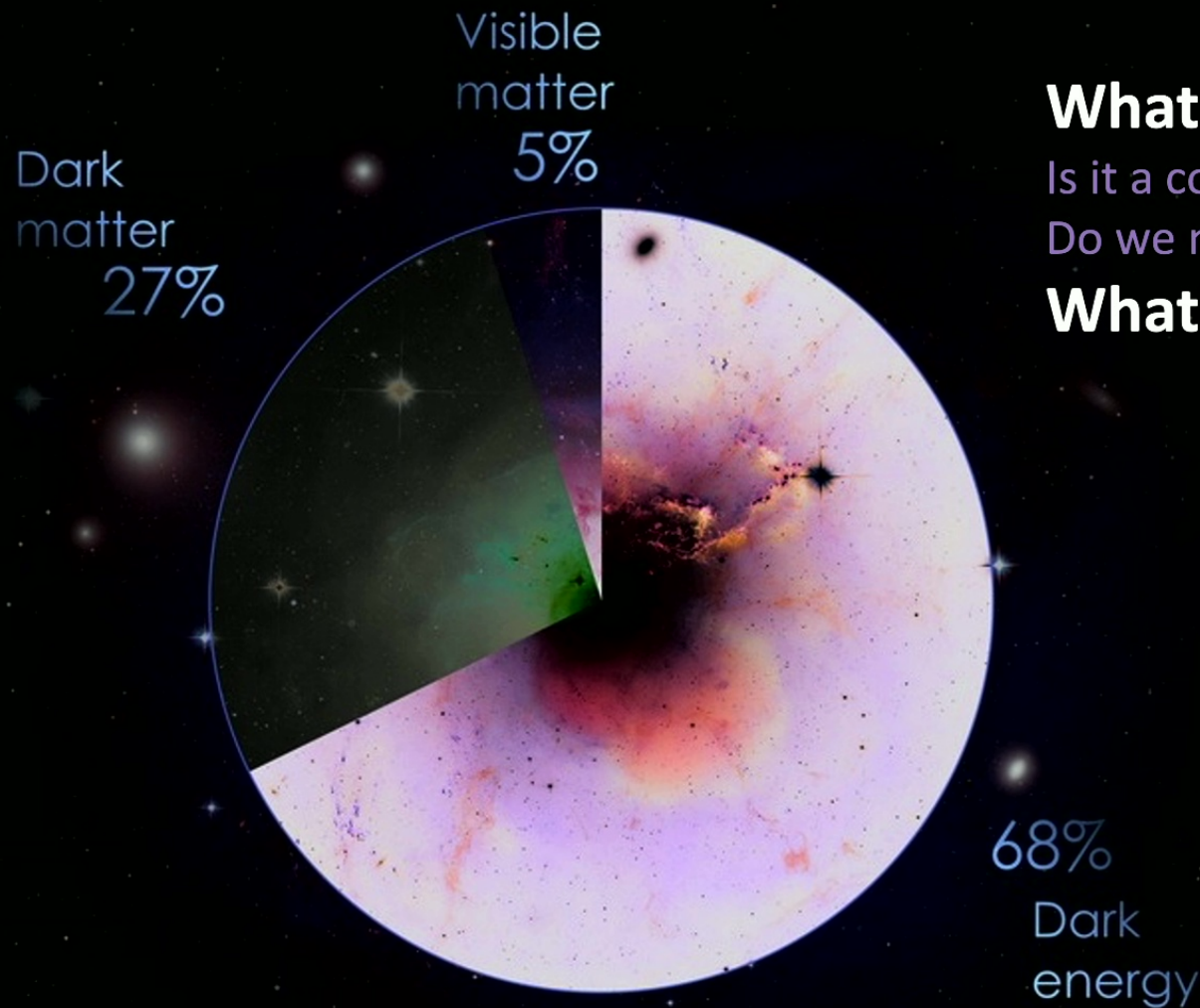


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Credit: NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center



What is dark energy?

Is it a cosmological constant?

Do we need to extend general relativity?

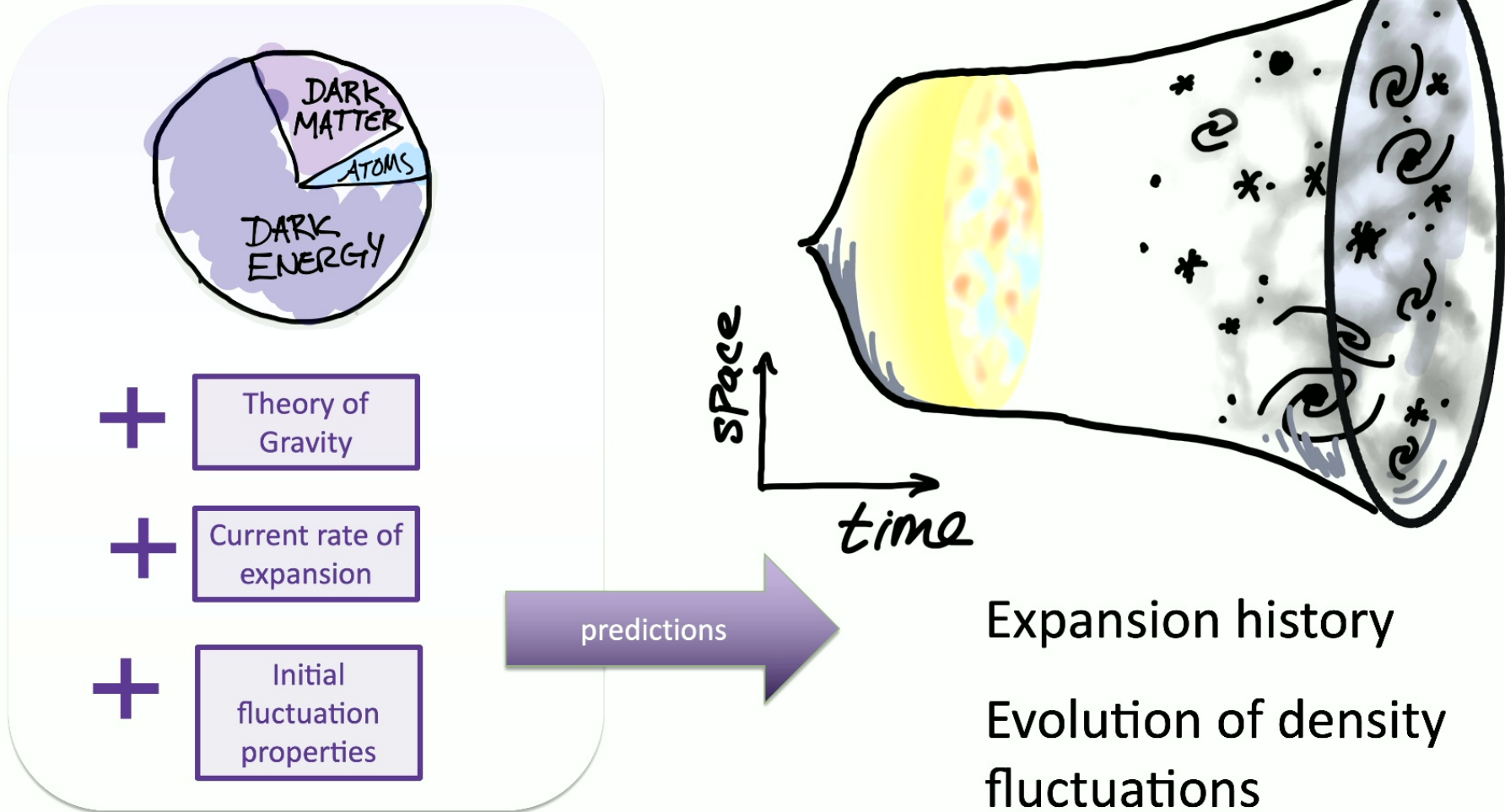
What is dark matter?

Λ CDM

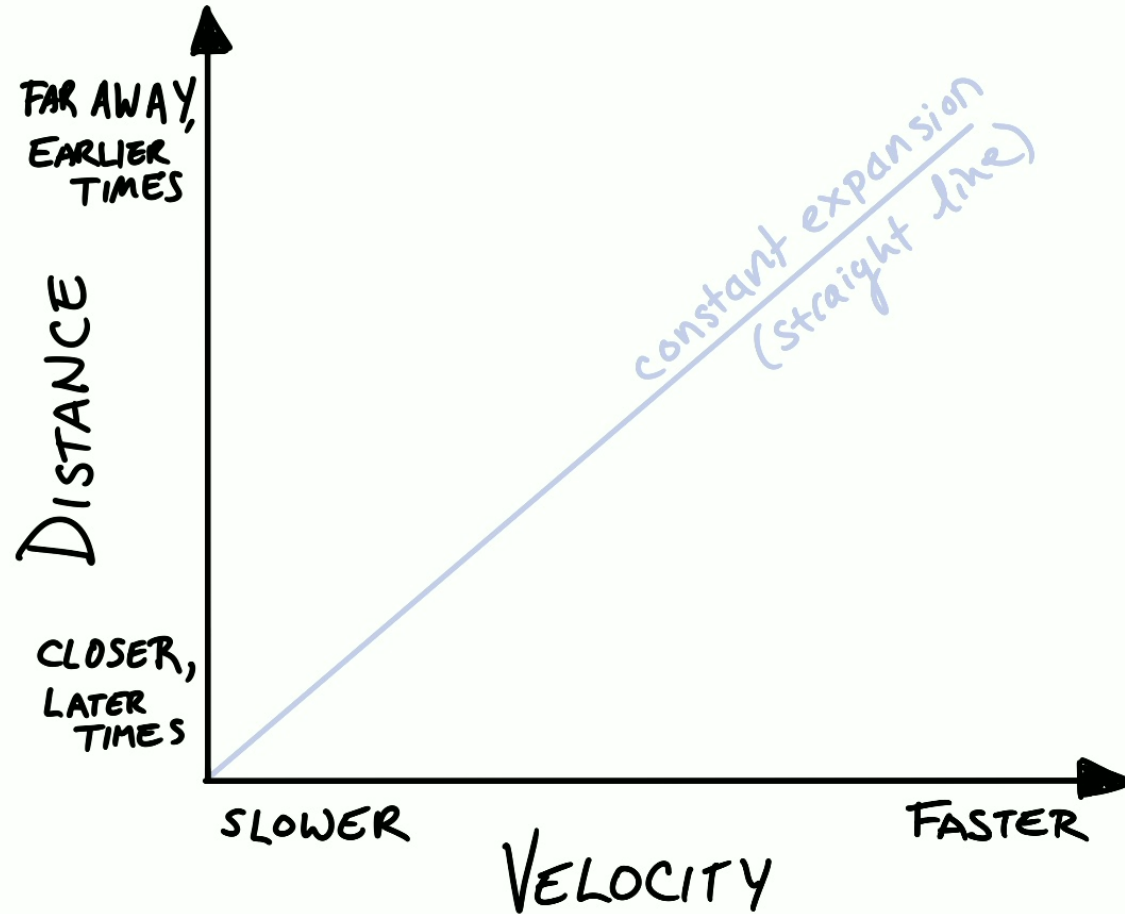
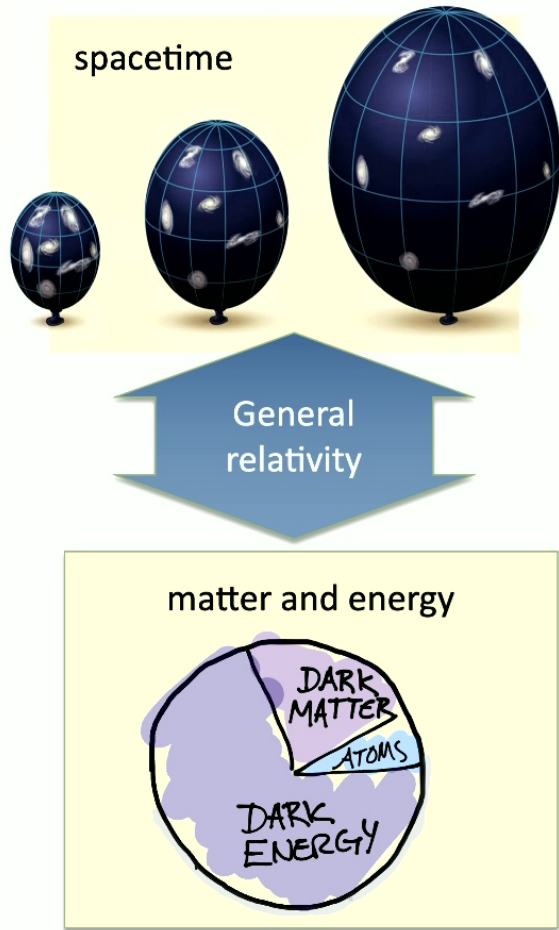
Cosmological standard model

- Λ - cosmological constant dark energy
- CDM - cold dark matter

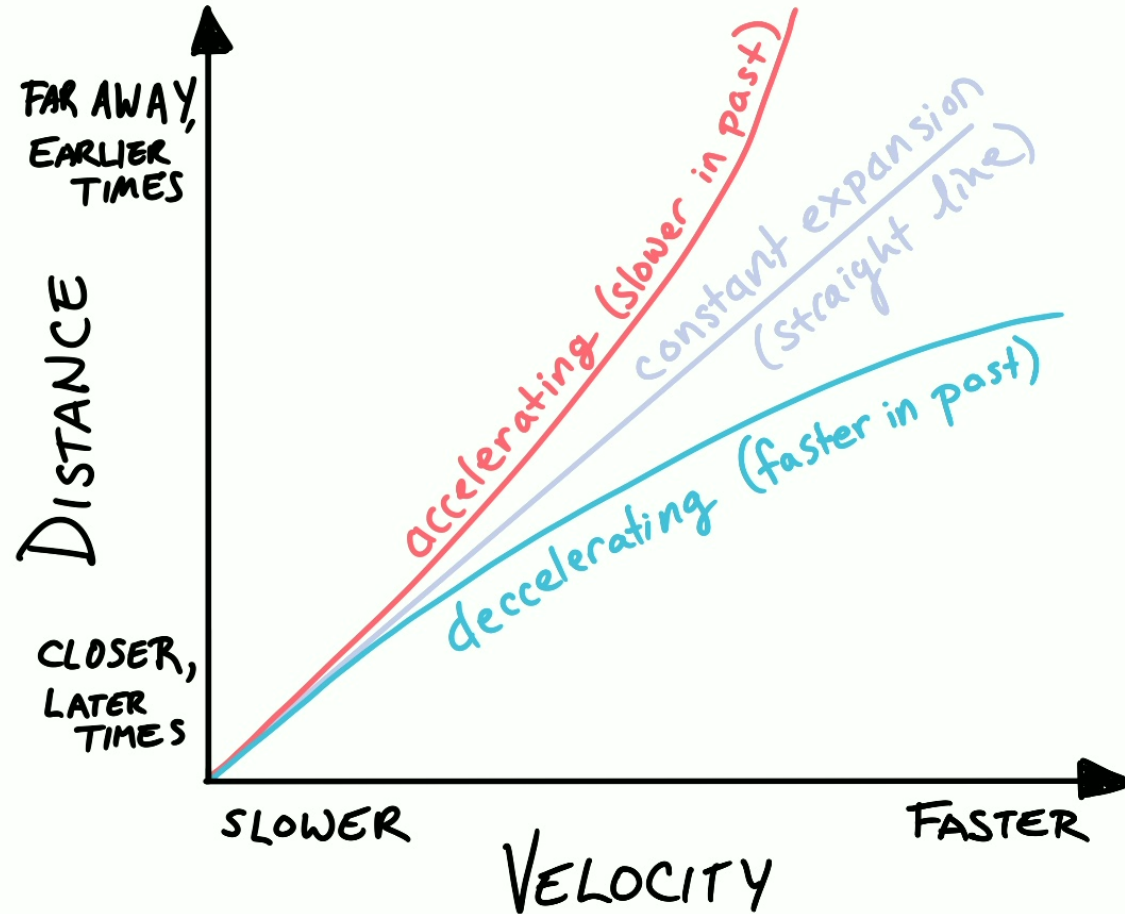
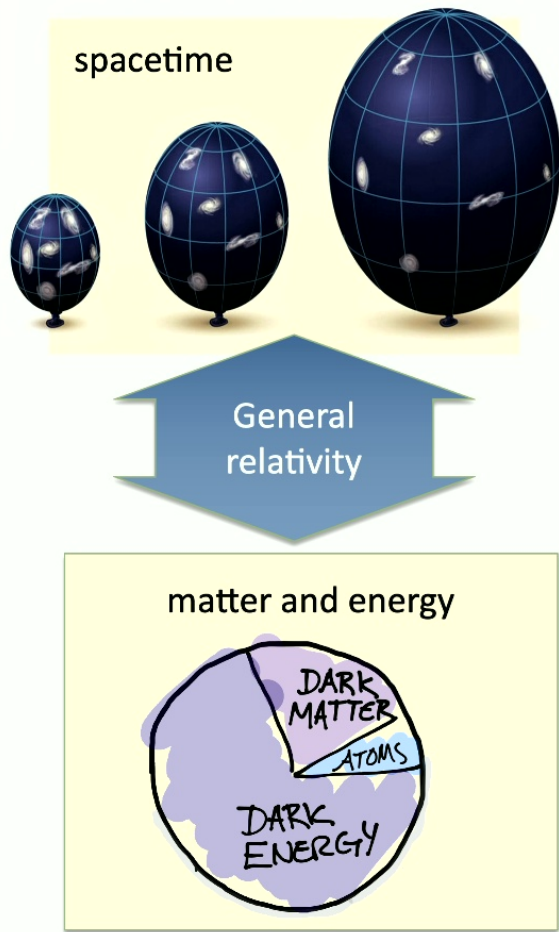
Broadly speaking, we can measure two things.



Expansion



Expansion



Expansion is probed with distance measurements

Standard(izable) candles: Type Ia Supernovae

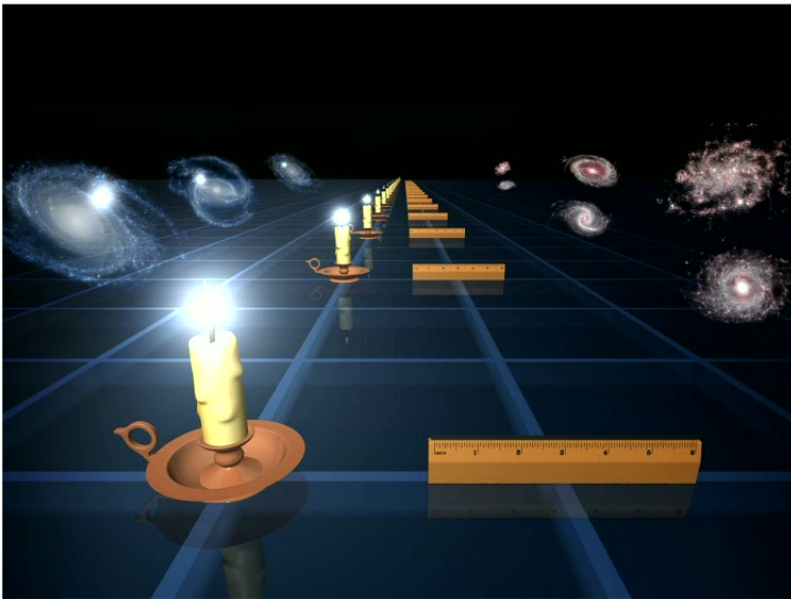
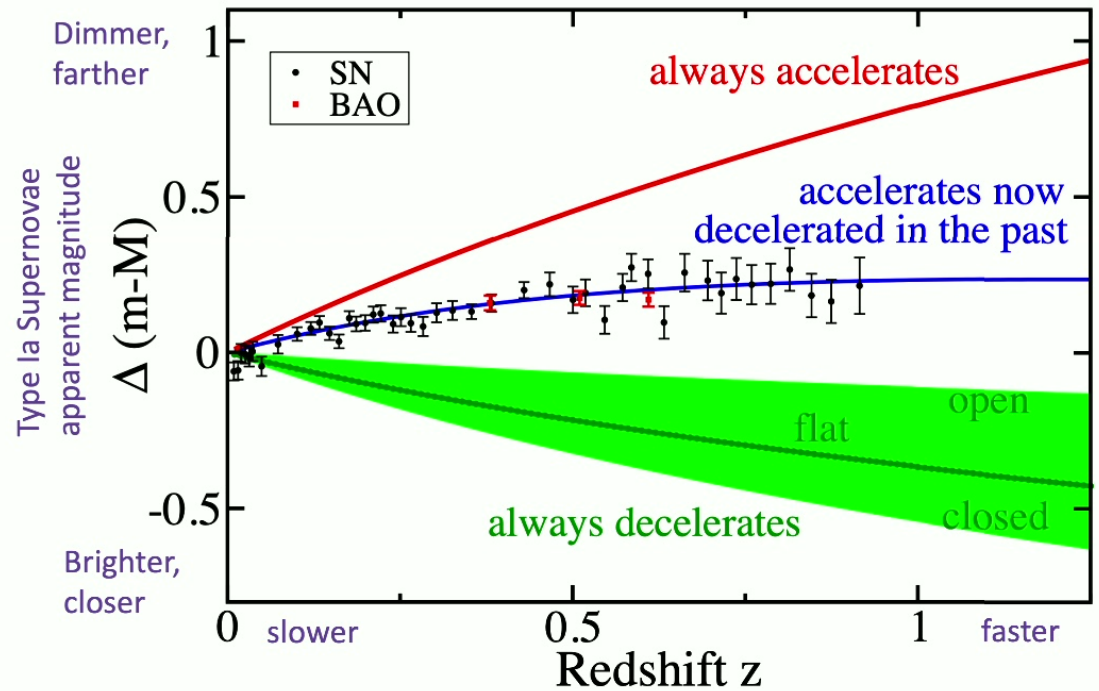
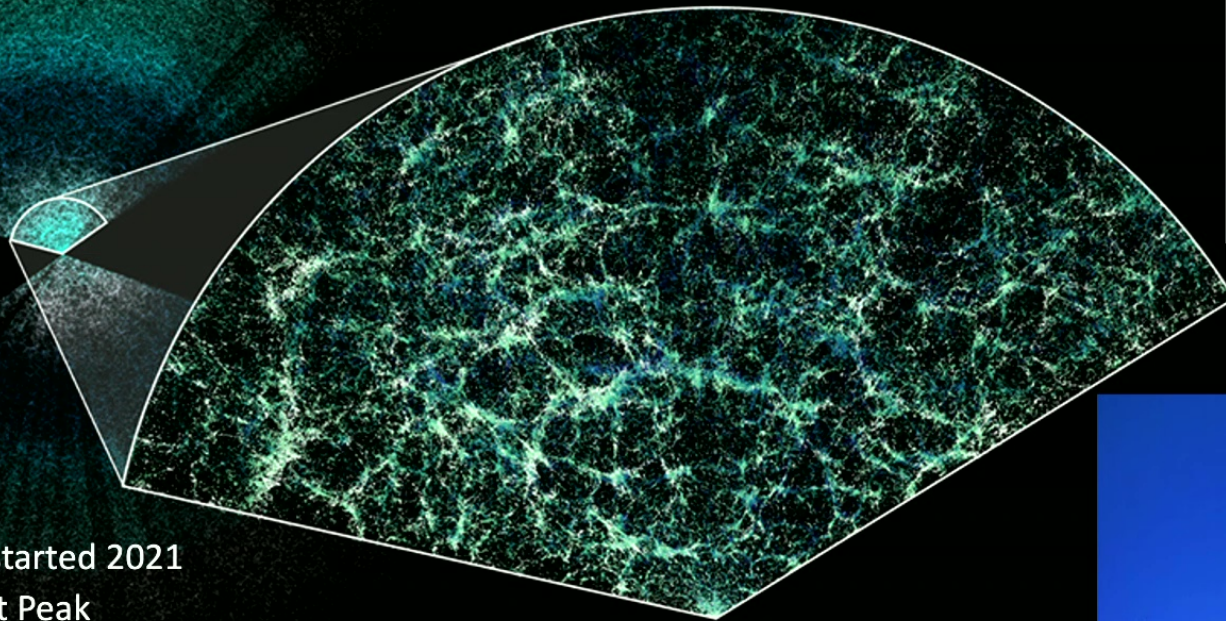


Image: NASA



Huterer & Schafer, Rept.Prog.Phys. 2018, arXiv:1709.01091

The Dark Energy Spectroscopic Instrument (DESI) measures expansion history by using a feature in the distribution of galaxies as a standard ruler.

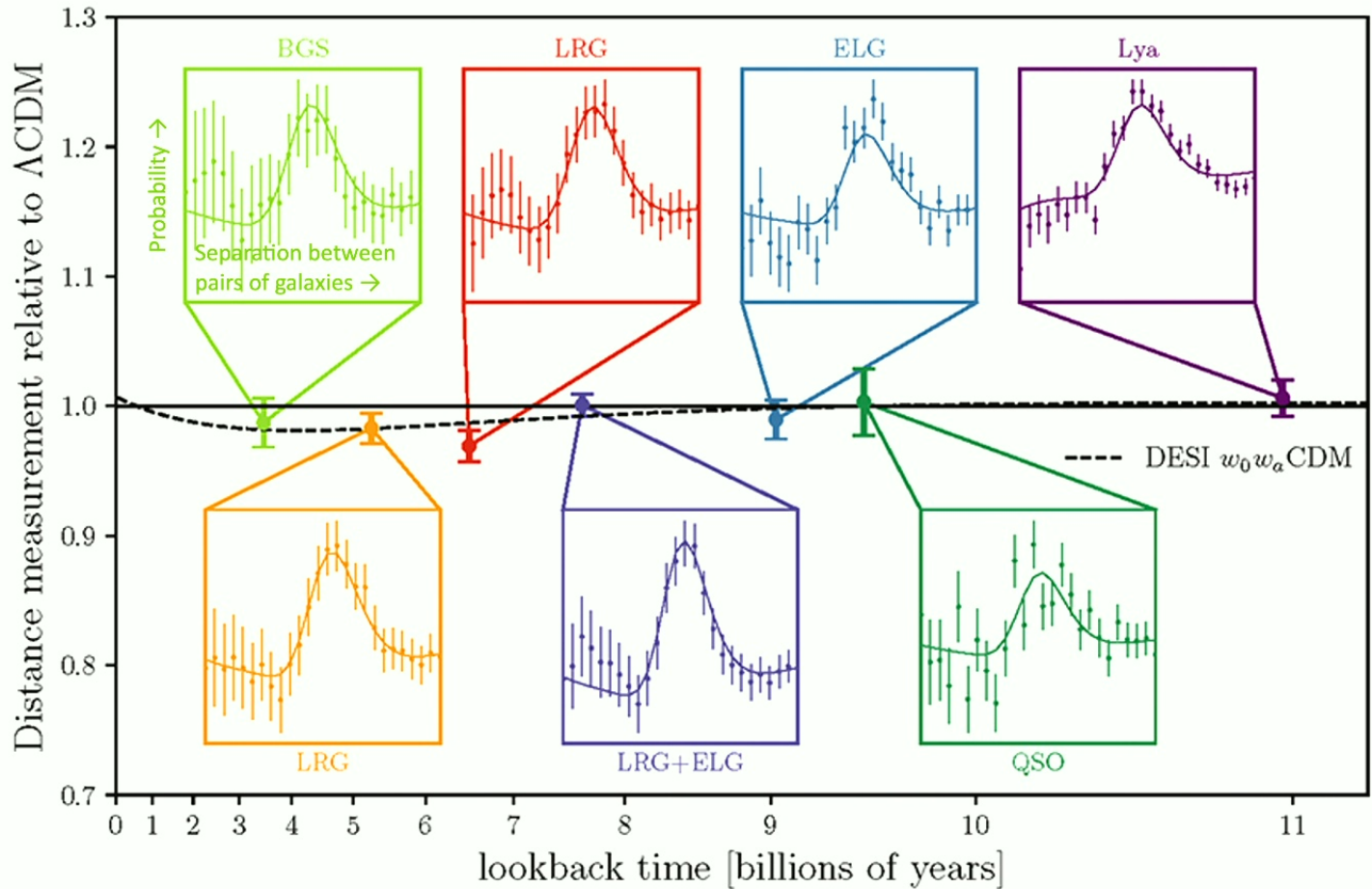


- Spectroscopic survey, started 2021
- Mayall telescope at Kitt Peak Observatory in Arizona.
- First cosmology results out April 2024.



Claire Lamman/DESI collaboration

Lots of excitement: model with time-evolving dark energy fits DESI & recent supernova measurements better than a cosmological constant.



Colors indicate measurements from different galaxy samples.

Subplots: Probability of finding a pair of galaxies separated by some distance.

Peak at ~ 150 Mpc (~ 500 M light years)

Solid line: best fit with cosmological constant

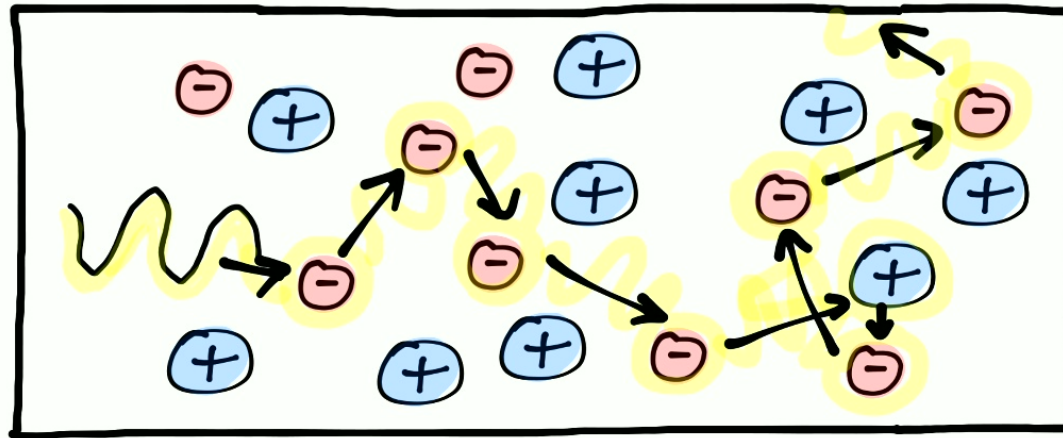
Dashed line: best fit with time-varying dark energy properties

Credit: Arnaud de Mattia/DESI collaboration

What is this feature?

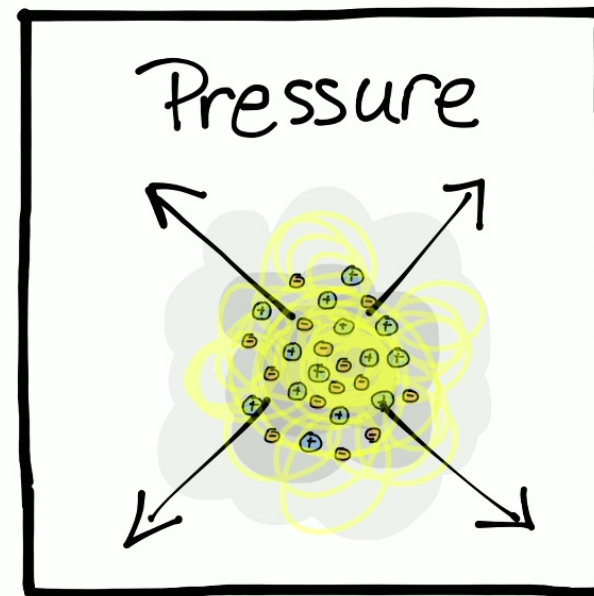
Consider the Universe at <300,000 years old

- Ionized: Protons and electrons separated
 - Opaque: light can't travel far before interacting with a charged particle.



While the universe is ionized, density fluctuations oscillate.

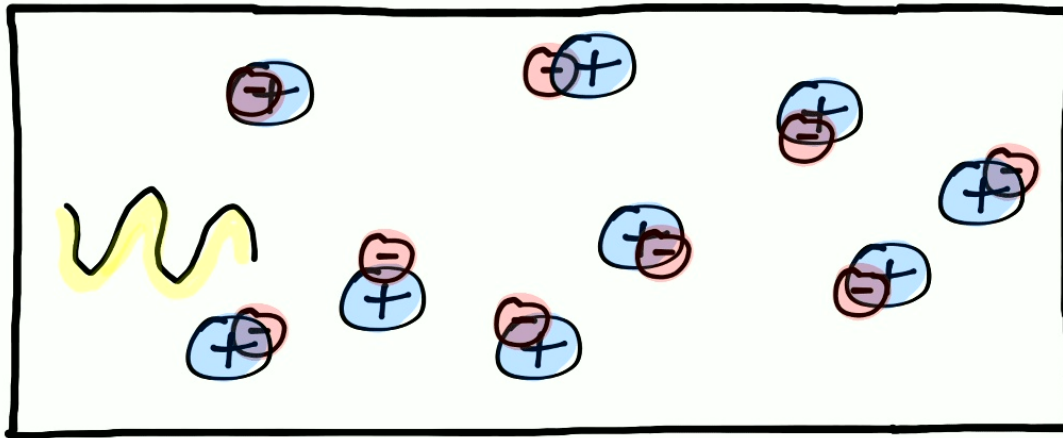
- Gravity pulls all matter into over-densities.
- Radiation pressure pushes photons and charged particles out.



“Baryon acoustic oscillations”

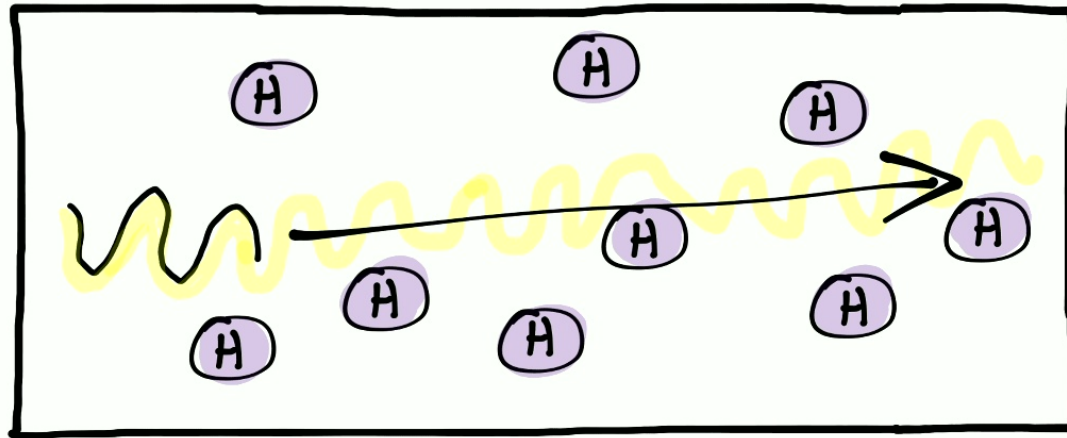
The Universe at 300,000 years old

- ▶ Once it cools enough for stable atoms, the universe becomes transparent.
- ▶ Photons become the cosmic microwave background.
- ▶ Baryons fall into overdensities.

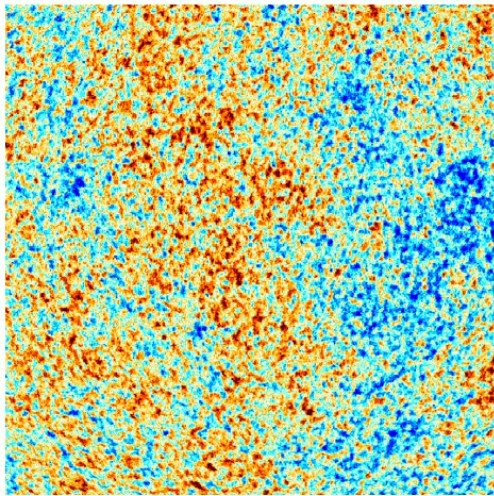


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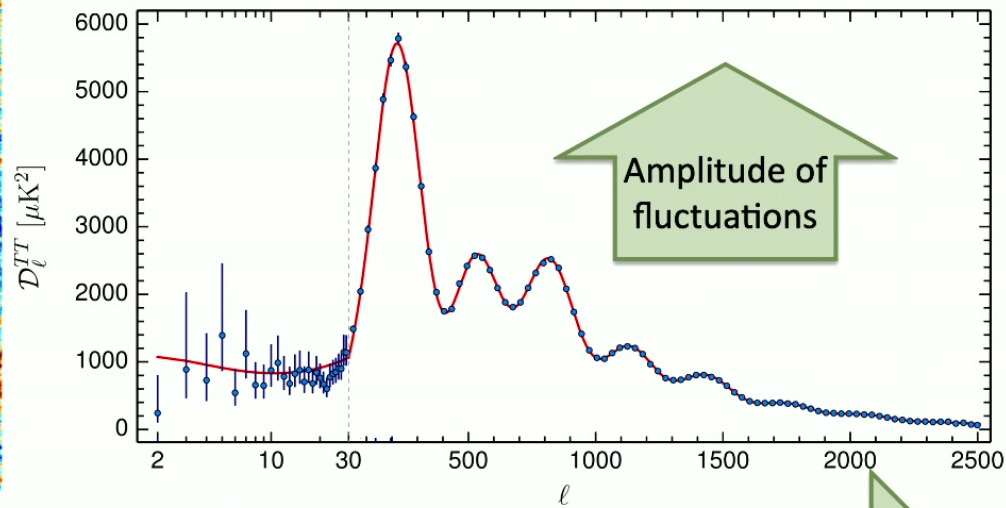
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Oscillations lead to temperature fluctuations in the CMB



Credit: Planck survey, ESA



First peak:
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 largest distance a
 sound wave
 could travel
 before the
 Universe became
 transparent

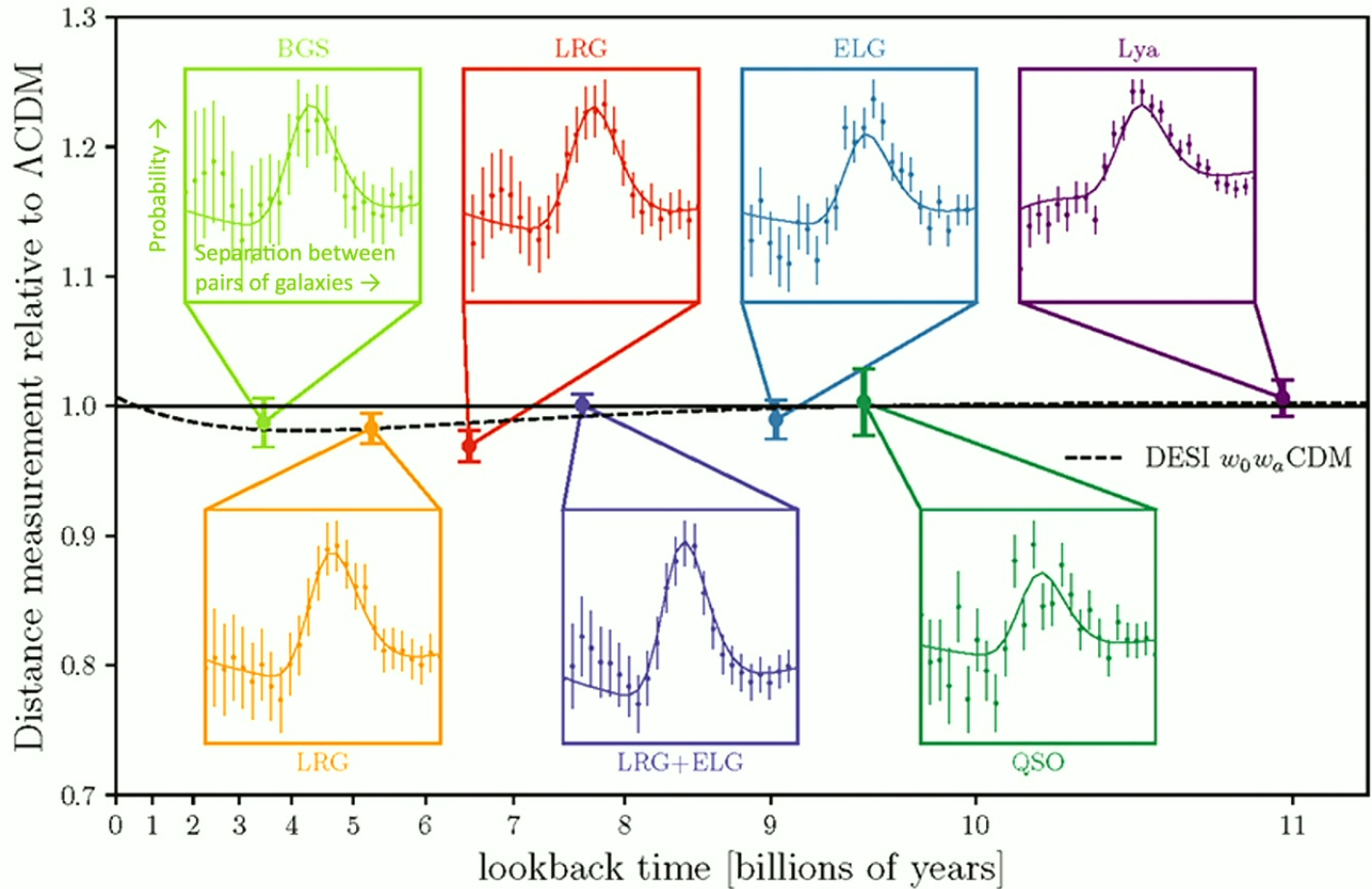
Higher Frequency = smaller wavelength

Amplitude vs time

Amplitude vs frequency

Guitar, G3,
 ~196 Hz.

That BAO signal is imprinted on the distribution of matter & galaxies.



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Probing Structure growth



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[8 Mpc/h]

Image Credit: Ralf Käehler/KIPAC, American Museum of Natural History

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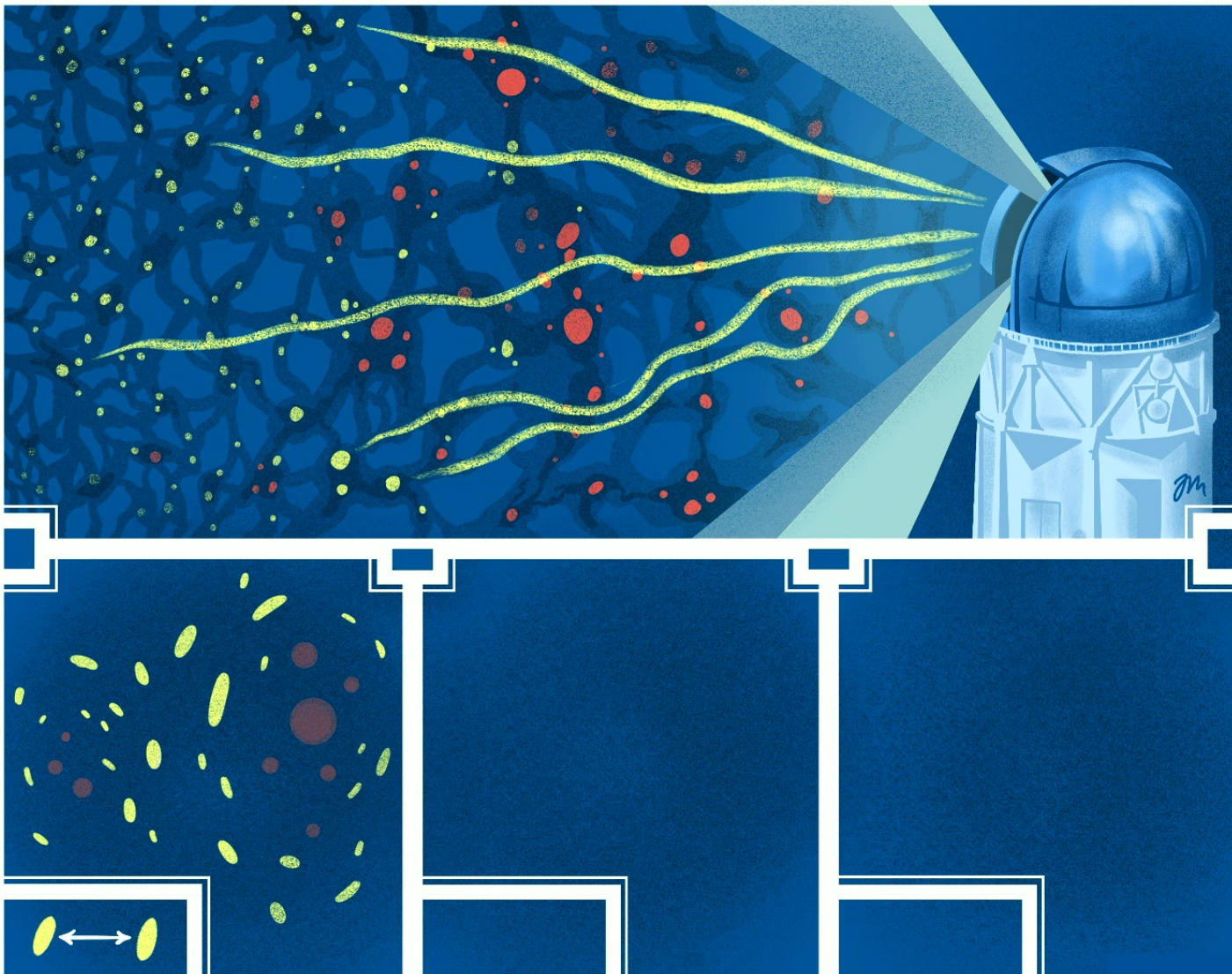
The distribution of matter and its evolution over time depend on:

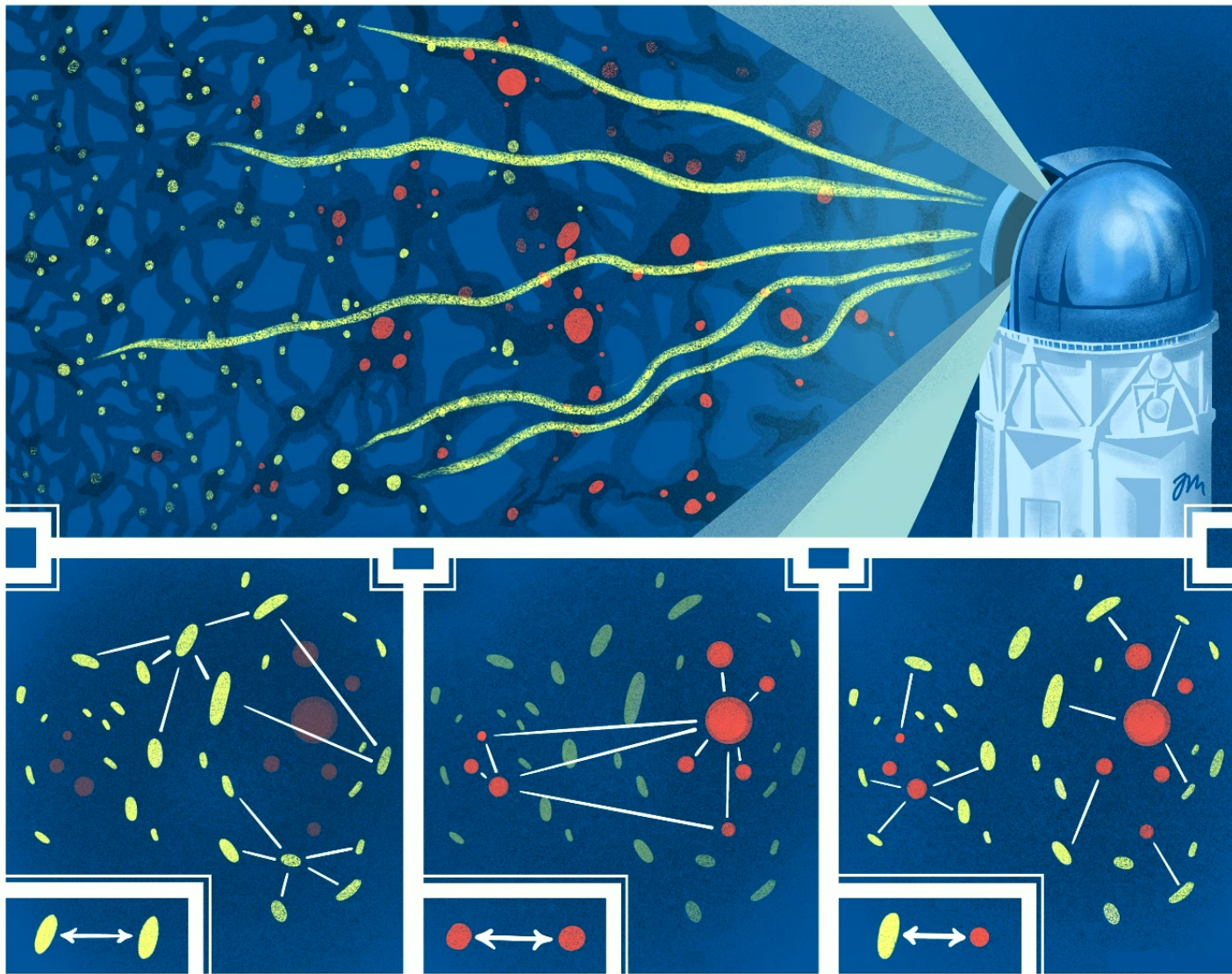
- Gravity
- Properties of dark matter
- Expansion (dark energy)

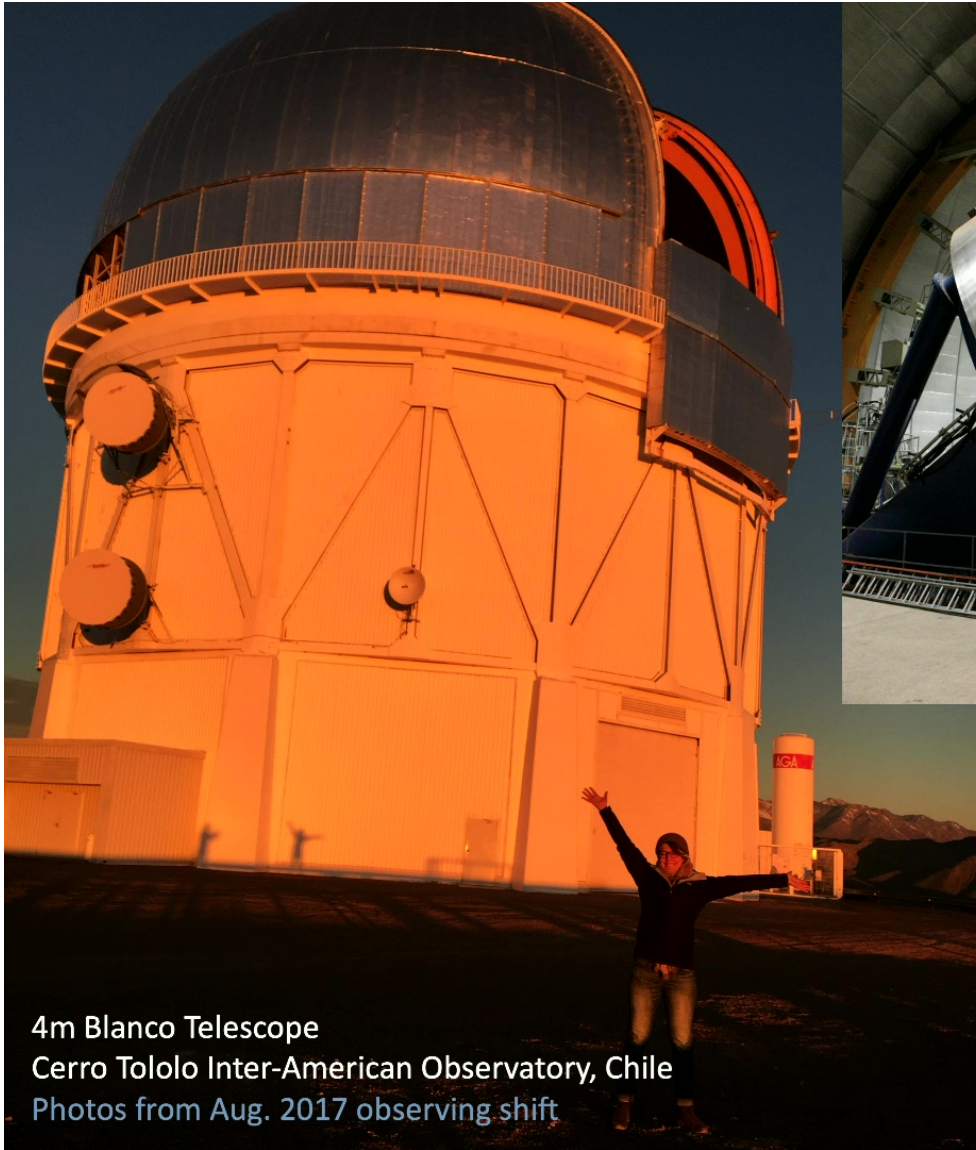


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Dark Energy Survey (DES)

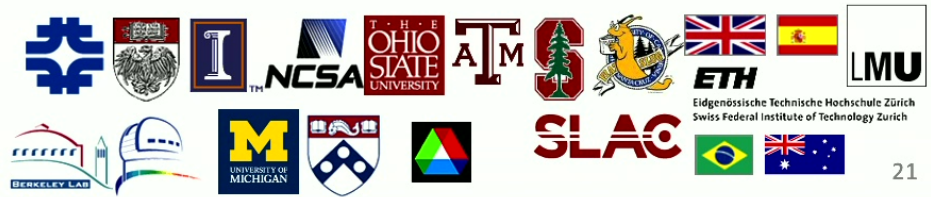
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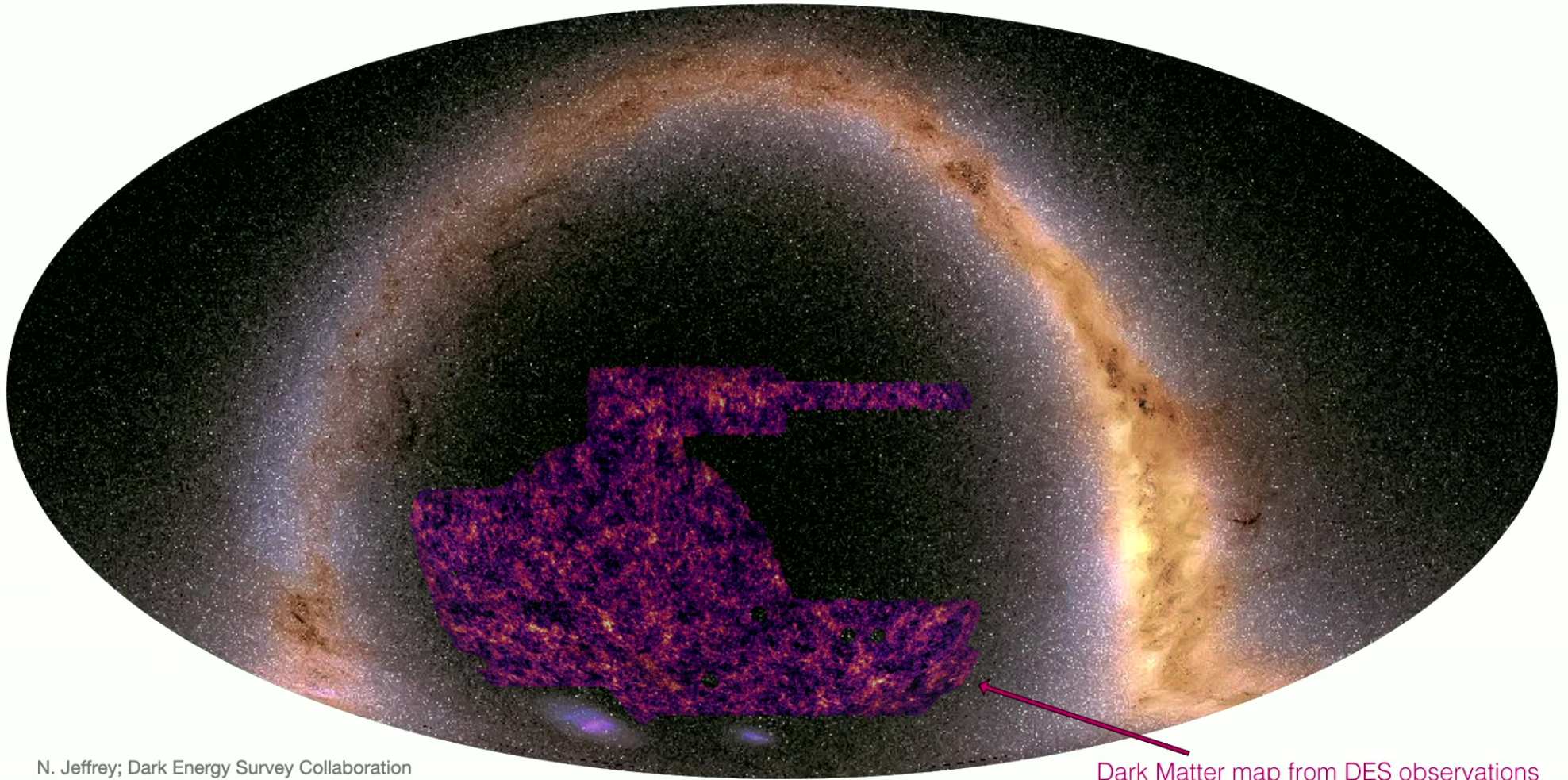
- Imaging survey 2013-2019
 - 758 nights observing
 - 5000 deg², ~10% of sky
- 400+ participants
- Cosmology analysis still underway!

Funding



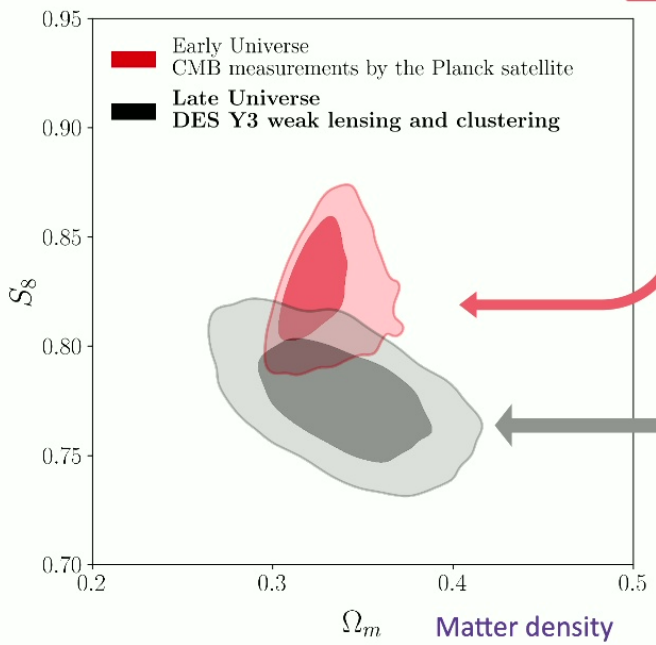
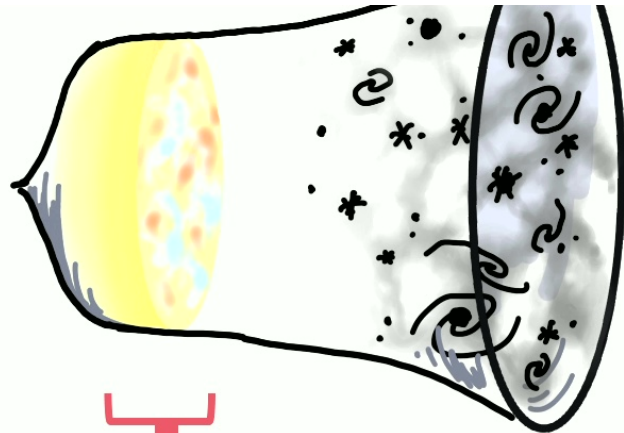
Member institutions



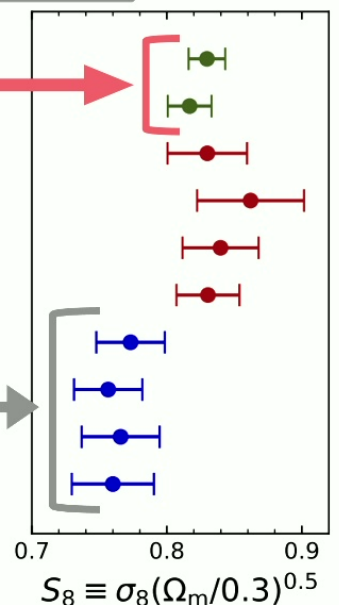


N. Jeffrey; Dark Energy Survey Collaboration

Dark Matter map from DES observations



DES Collab. [inc. JM] 2021, PRD, arXiv:2105.13549

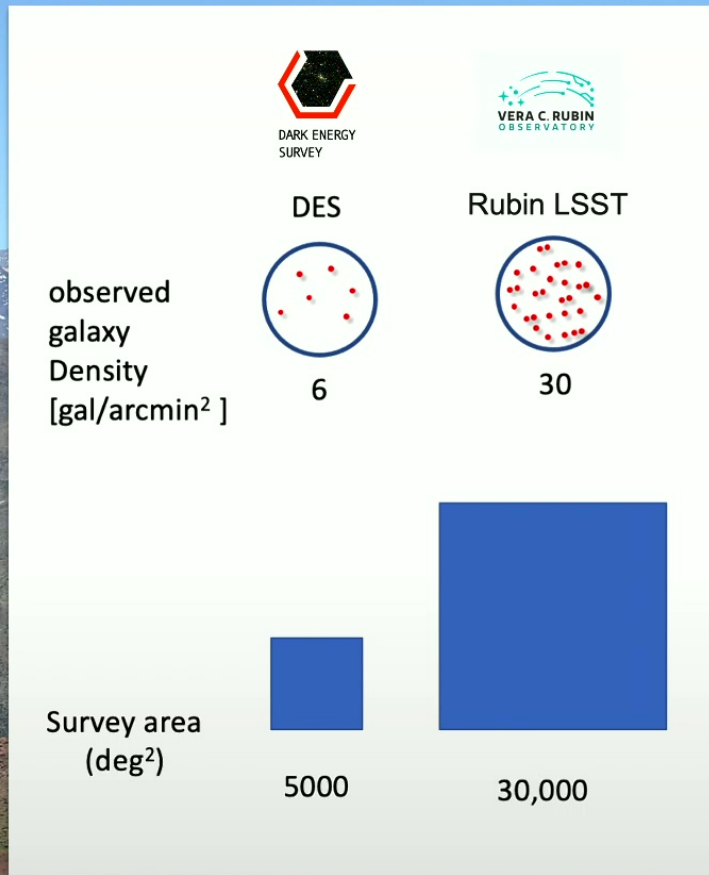


Amplitude of density fluctuations

- Planck CMB aniso.
- Planck CMB aniso. (+A_{lens} marg.)
- Planck CMB lensing + BAO
- SPT CMB lensing + BAO
- ACT CMB lensing + BAO**
- ACT+Planck CMB lensing + BAO**
- DES-Y3 galaxy lensing + BAO
- KiDS-1000 galaxy lensing + BAO
- HSC-Y3 galaxy lensing (Fourier) + BAO
- HSC-Y3 galaxy lensing (Real) + BAO

ACT Collab. 2023, arXiv:2304.05203

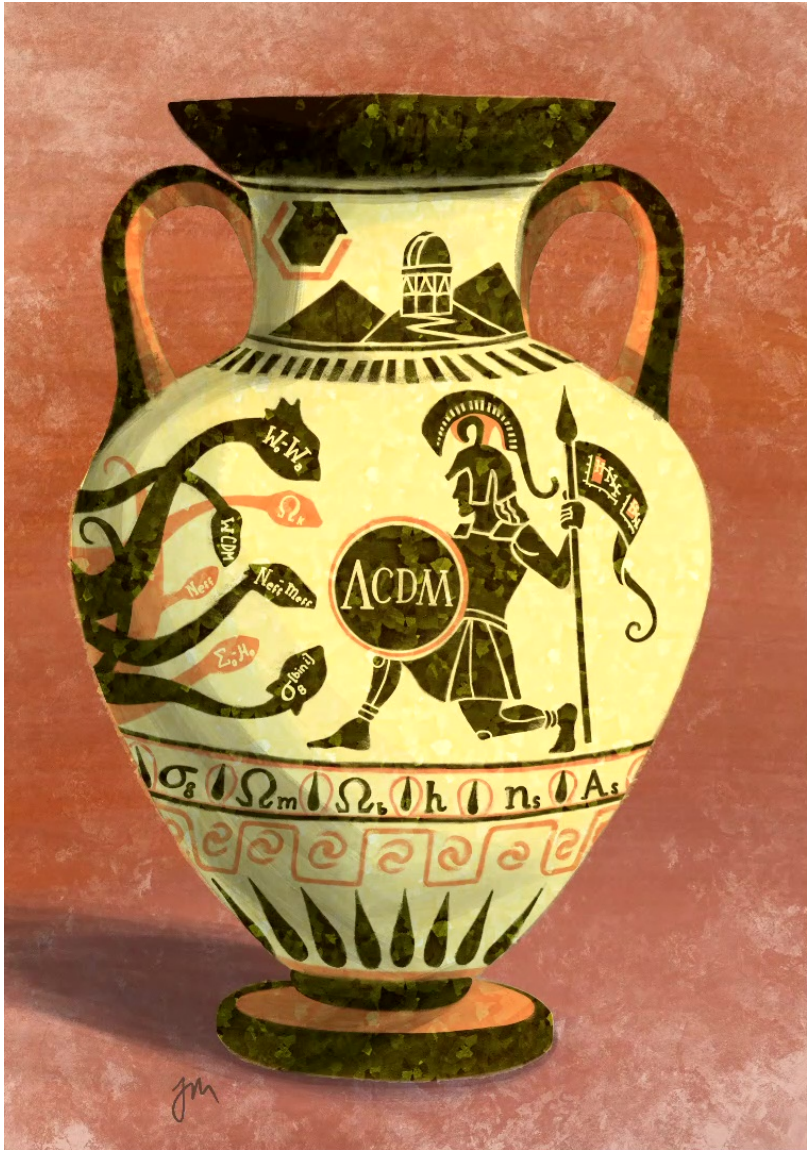
Even more exciting galaxy survey science is on the horizon!



In 2025-2035 Rubin LSST will image
~30x more galaxies than DES.

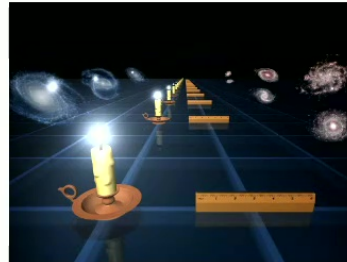
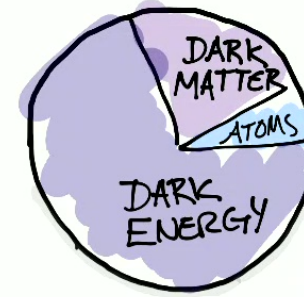


Photo: View of Rubin Observatory from Cerro Tololo (DES site)



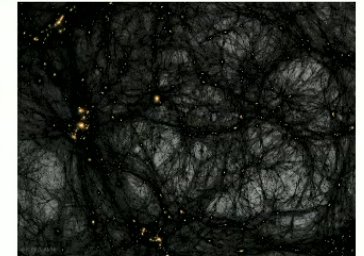
Summary

We test cosmological model predictions for...



Expansion history via distance measurements,

Growth of structure via CMB & galaxy surveys.



These tests can provide clues towards more fundamental descriptions of dark matter & energy.

- Some interesting tensions seen; community is working to understand them.
- Exciting data on the horizon from ongoing & future galaxy surveys.