## Models for Dark Energy





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#### What is our universe made of?



### Dark Energy dominates the Universe

### Energy - density in the Universe = Matter + Dark Energy

<u>25 % + 75 %</u>

# $\Omega_{\rm m} = 0.25$

#### gravitational lens, HST

#### Wilkinson Microwave Anisotropy Probe

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#### Matter : everything that clumps

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#### Dark Energy density is the same at every point of space

" homogeneous "

Space between clumps is not empty

#### **Composition of the Universe**



$\Omega_{\rm dm} = 0.2$	invisible	clumping

 $\Omega_{\rm h} = 0.75$  invisible homogeneous

### What is Dark Energy?

### Cosmological Constant or Quintessence ?

#### Cosmological Constant - Einstein -

Constant λ compatible with all symmetries
 No time variation in contribution to energy density

Why so small ?  $\lambda/M^4 = 10^{-120}$ 

Why important just today ?

#### Cosm. Const. static

#### Quintessence dynamical



#### Cosmological mass scales

Energy density

 $\rho \sim (2.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV})^{-4}$ 

 Reduced Planck mass M=2.44×10<sup>18</sup>GeV
 Newton's constant G<sub>N</sub>=(8πM<sup>2</sup>)

Only ratios of mass scales are observable !

homogeneous dark energy:  $\rho_h/M^4 = 6.5 \ 10^{-121}$ matter:  $\rho_m/M^4 = 3.5 \ 10^{-121}$ 

## Quintessence

Dynamical dark energy, generated by scalar field

(cosmon)

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homogeneous dark energy influences recent cosmology

- of same order as dark matter -

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



#### Cosmon – Field $\varphi(x,y,z,t)$

#### Homogeneous und isotropic Universe : $\varphi(x,y,z,t) = \varphi(t)$

Potential und kinetic energy of the cosmon -field contribute to a dynamical energy density of the Universe !

### Cosmon

**Scalar field changes its value even in the** present cosmological epoch Potential und kinetic energy of cosmon contribute to the energy density of the Universe <u>Time - variable dark energy :</u>  $o_h(t)$  decreases with time !







New long - range interaction

#### "Fundamental" Interactions

Strong, electromagnetic, weak interactions



On astronomical length scales:

graviton

cosmon

-

gravitation cosmodynamics

#### **Evolution of cosmon field**

Field equations

$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} = -dV/d\phi$$

$$3M^2H^2 = V + \frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2 + \rho$$

Potential V(φ) determines details of the model e.g. V(φ) = M<sup>4</sup> exp( - αφ/M )
for increasing φ the potential decreases towards zero !

#### **Cosmic Attractors**

#### Solutions independent of initial conditions

typically V~t<sup>-2</sup>

 $\phi \sim ln \;(\;t\;)$ 

 $\Omega_{\rm h} \sim {\rm const.}$ 

details depend on  $V(\phi)$  or kinetic term



#### exponential potential constant fraction in dark energy

## $\Omega_{\rm h} \equiv n/\alpha^2$

can explain order of magnitude of dark energy!

#### realistic quintessence

fraction in dark energy has to increase in "recent time"!

#### cosmic coincidence

#### Quintessence becomes important "today"

Crossover Quintessence Evolution



#### coincidence problem

#### What is responsible for increase of $\Omega_{\rm h}$ for z < 6?

## a) Properties of cosmon potential or kinetic term

Late quintessence

- w close to -1
- Ω<sub>h</sub> negligible in early cosmology

 needs tiny parameter, similar to cosmological constant Early quintessence
Ω<sub>h</sub> changes only modestly
w changes in time

#### transition

 special feature in cosmon potential or kinetic term becomes important "now"
 tuning at % level b) Quintessence reacts to some special event in cosmology

 Onset of matter dominance

K- essence

Amendariz-Picon, Mukhanov, Steinhardt

needs higher derivative kinetic term Appearance of non-linear structure

Back-reaction effect

needs coupling between Dark Matter and Dark Energy growing neutrino mass triggers transition to almost static dark energy





L.Amendola, M.Baldi,...

#### connection between dark energy and neutrino properties

$$[\rho_h(t_0)]^{\frac{1}{4}} = 1.07 \left(\frac{\gamma m_\nu(t_0)}{eV}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}} 10^{-3} eV$$

present dark energy density given by neutrino mass

present equation of state given by neutrino mass !

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

#### dark energy fraction determined by neutrino mass

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

$$\gamma = 1 - \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$$

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

#### basic ingredient :

### cosmon coupling to neutrinos

#### Cosmon coupling to atoms

- **Tiny** !!!
- Substantially weaker than gravity.
- Non-universal couplings bounded by tests of equivalence principle.
- Universal coupling bounded by tests of Brans-Dicke parameter ω in solar system.
- Only very small influence on cosmology.

#### **Cosmon coupling to Dark Matter**

- Only bounded by cosmology
- Substantial coupling possible
- Can modify scaling solution and late cosmology
- Role in clustering of extended objects ?

#### L. Amendola

#### 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 L.Amendola,M.Baldi,...

growing neutrino mass triggers transition to almost static dark energy





#### cosmological selection

 present value of dark energy density set by cosmological event
 (neutrinos become non – relativistic)

not given by ground state properties !
## growing neutrinos

#### end of matter domination

- growing mass of neutrinos
- at some moment energy density of neutrinos becomes more important than energy density of dark matter
- end of matter dominated period
- similar to transition from radiation domination to matter domination
- this transition happens in the recent past

#### neutrino mass

$$M_{\nu} = M_D M_R^{-1} M_D^T + M_I$$
$$M_L = h_L \gamma \frac{d^2}{M_t^2}$$

seesaw and cascade mechanism

triplet expectation value ~ doublet squared

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

omit generation structure

#### cascade mechanism

$$U = U_0(\varphi) + \frac{\lambda}{2}(d^2 - d_0^2)^2 + \frac{1}{2}M_t^2(\varphi)t^2 - \gamma d^2t$$

triplet expectation value ~  $\gamma \frac{d^2}{M_{\star}^2}$ 



M.Magg,... G.Lazarides, Q.Shafi, ...

$$M_t^2(\varphi) = \bar{M}_t^2 \left[ 1 - \exp\left(-\frac{\epsilon}{M}(\varphi - \varphi_t)\right) \right]$$

#### varying neutrino mass

$$M_t^2 = c_t M_{GUT}^2 \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{\tau} \exp\left(-\epsilon \frac{\varphi}{M}\right) \right]$$

#### $\epsilon \approx -0.05$

#### triplet mass depends on cosmon field q

$$m_{\nu}(\varphi) = \bar{m}_{\nu} \left\{ 1 - \exp\left[-\frac{\epsilon}{M}(\varphi - \varphi_t)\right] \right\}^{-1}$$

neutrino mass depends on φ

#### singular neutrino mass

$$M_t^2 = c_t M_{GUT}^2 \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{\tau} \exp\left(-\epsilon \frac{\varphi}{M}\right) \right]$$

$$\frac{\varphi_t}{M} = -\frac{\ln \tau}{\epsilon}$$

#### triplet mass vanishes for $\phi \rightarrow \phi_t$

$$m_{\nu}(\varphi) = \frac{\bar{m}_{\nu}M}{\epsilon(\varphi - \varphi_t)}$$

#### $\implies$ neutrino mass diverges for $\varphi \rightarrow \varphi_t$

#### 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

#### growing neutrinos change cosmon 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

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

#### effective stop of cosmon evolution

cosmon evolution almost stops once neutrinos get non –relativistic B gets large  $\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} = -\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \frac{\beta(\varphi)}{\partial t}$ 

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

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

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

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

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

this has happened recently !
sets scales for dark energy !

## effective cosmological constant at late time

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

realistic value for  $\alpha \varphi_t / M \approx 276$ 



$$\epsilon = -\frac{\alpha \ln \tau}{276}$$

## crossover to dark energy dominated universe



starts at time when "neutrino force" becomes important for the evolution of the cosmon field

## cosmological selection !

#### cosmon evolution



#### neutrino fraction remains small



#### equation of state



present equation of state given by neutrino mass !

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

## oscillating neutrino mass



## Hubble parameter as compared to ΛCDM



## 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 ACDM! How can quintessence be distinguished from a cosmological constant ?

#### Time dependence of dark energy



## small early and large present dark energy

fraction in dark energy has substantially increased since end of structure formation

expansion of universe accelerates in present epoch

$$w_h = \frac{1}{3\Omega_h(1-\Omega_h)} \frac{\partial \Omega_h}{\partial \ln(1+z)}$$

#### effects of early dark energy

modifies cosmological evolution (CMB)
 slows down the growth of structure

# Early quintessence slows down the growth of structure



## interpolation of $\Omega_{\rm h}$



#### bounds on Early Dark Energy after WMAP'06

G.Robbers, M.Doran,...



#### Little Early Dark Energy can make large effect ! Non – linear enhancement



Two models with 4% Dark Energy during structure formation

Fixed σ<sub>8</sub> ( normalization dependence ! )

#### More clusters at high redshift !

Bartelmann, Doran,...

#### How to distinguish Q from $\Lambda$ ?

A) Measurement  $\Omega_{\rm h}(z)$ H(z)i)  $\Omega_{\rm h}(z)$  at the time of structure formation, CMB - emission or nucleosynthesis ii) equation of state  $w_{h}(today) > -1$ B) Time variation of fundamental "constants" C) Apparent violation of equivalence principle **D)** Possible coupling between Dark Energy and Dark Mater

## Cosmodynamics

Cosmon mediates new long-range interaction

Range : size of the Universe - horizon

Strength : weaker than gravity

photonelectrodynamicsgravitongravitycosmoncosmodynamicsSmall correction to Newton's law

Quintessence and time variation of fundamental constants

Generic prediction

Strength unknown

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gravitation

cosmodynamics

#### Time varying constants

- It is not difficult to obtain quintessence potentials from higher dimensional or string theories
- Exponential form rather generic ( after Weyl scaling)
- But most models show too strong time dependence of constants !

## Are fundamental "constants" time dependent ?

Fine structure constant  $\alpha$  (electric charge)

Ratio electron mass to proton mass

Ratio nucleon mass to Planck mass

Quintessence and Time dependence of "fundamental constants"

Fine structure constant depends on value of cosmon field : α(φ)

*(similar in standard model: couplings depend on value of Higgs scalar field)* 

Time evolution of φ Time evolution of α

Jordan,...

#### **baryons**:

## the matter of stars and humans

## $\Omega_{\rm b} = 0.045$

### primordial abundances for three GUT models



present observations : 1σ



#### three GUT models

- unification scale ~ Planck scale
- 1) All particle physics scales  $\sim \Lambda_{\text{OCD}}$
- 2) Fermi scale and fermion masses ~ unification scale
- **3**) Fermi scale varies more rapidly than  $\Lambda_{OCD}$
- $\Delta \alpha / \alpha \approx 4 \ 10^{-4}$  allowed for GUT 1 and 3, larger for GUT 2  $\Delta \ln(M_n/M_p) \approx 40 \ \Delta \alpha / \alpha \approx 0.015$  allowed

Time variation of coupling constants must be tiny –

#### would be of very high significance !

## **Possible signal for Quintessence**

#### Summary

- $_{\rm o} \ \Omega_{\rm h} = 0.75$
- $Q/\Lambda$ : dynamical und static dark energy will be distinguishable
- growing neutrino mass can explain why now problem
- Q : time varying fundamental coupling "constants" violation of equivalence principle

## 

Are dark energy and dark matter related ?
Can Quintessence be explained in a fundamental unified theory ?

Quintessence and solution of cosmological constant problem should be related !



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