

Probing Dark Energy Directly *via* Gravitational Lensing

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New Physics = New Particles

New Physics = New Phenomena !

New Physics = New Principles !!

What is Dark Energy ?

Dark Energy (DE)

- **Einstein-Hilbert Action:**

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [\kappa^{-2} (R + \Lambda) + \mathcal{L}_m]$$

- **Einstein Equation with Cosmological Constant:**

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} R g_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi G T_{\mu\nu} + \Lambda g_{\mu\nu}$$

- **Indirect Probe** from CMB Measurements on scale factor $a(t)$ at **Cosmological Scales > 100-200Mpc** , in FRW metric.

- **Friedmann Eq:**

$$H^2 = \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a} \right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho + \frac{\Lambda}{3} - \frac{k}{a^2}$$

Dark Energy: Planck 2018

arXiv:1807.06209

- Λ CDM Fit (Planck+TT,TE,EE+lowE+lensing+BAO):

$$\Omega_{\Lambda} = 0.6889 \pm 0.0056$$

$$\Omega_{\text{m}} = 0.3111 \pm 0.0056$$

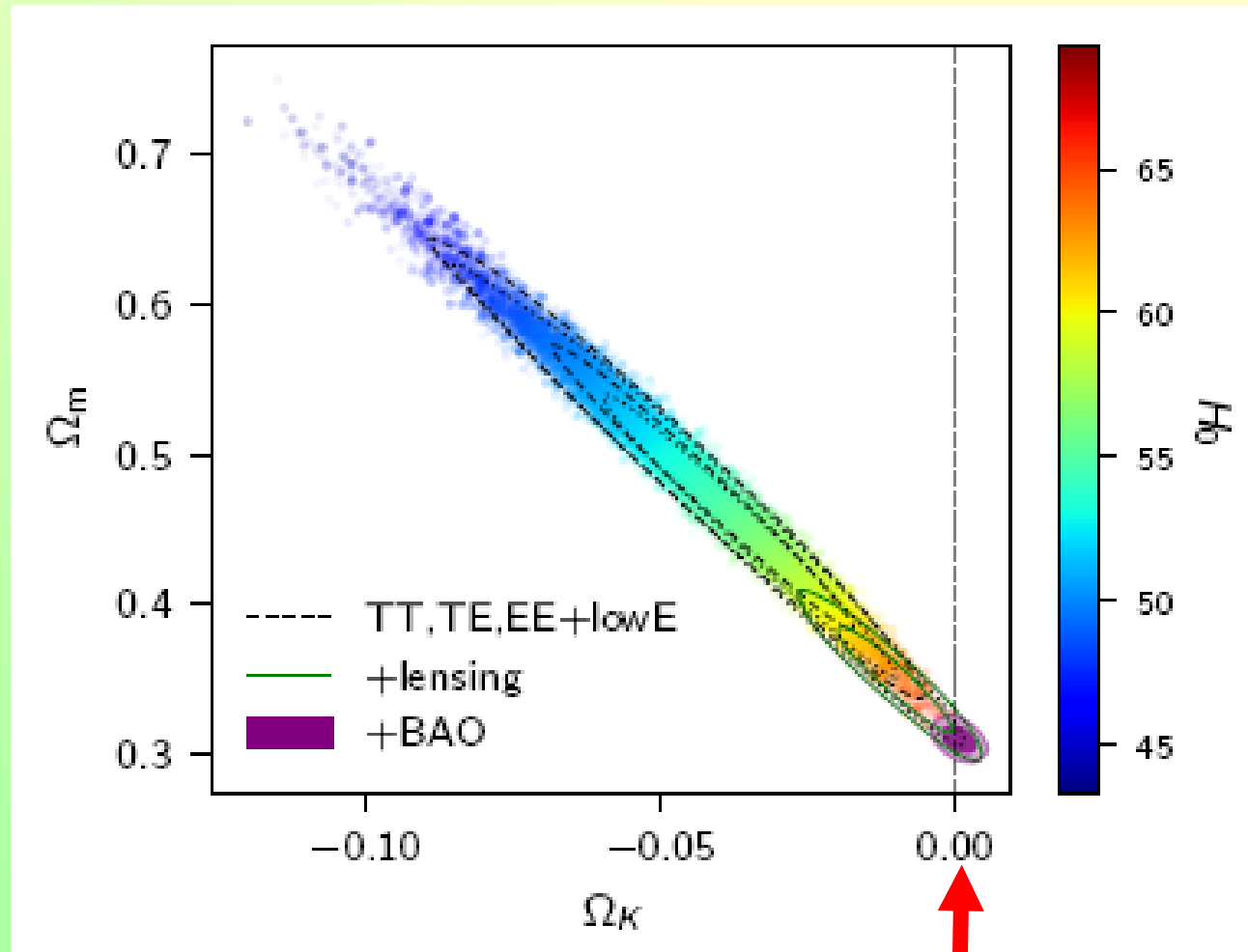
$$\Omega_{\text{K}} = 0.001 \pm 0.002$$

where $\Omega_{\text{m}} = \Omega_{\text{B}} + \Omega_{\text{DM}} = 0.04897 + 0.2607$.

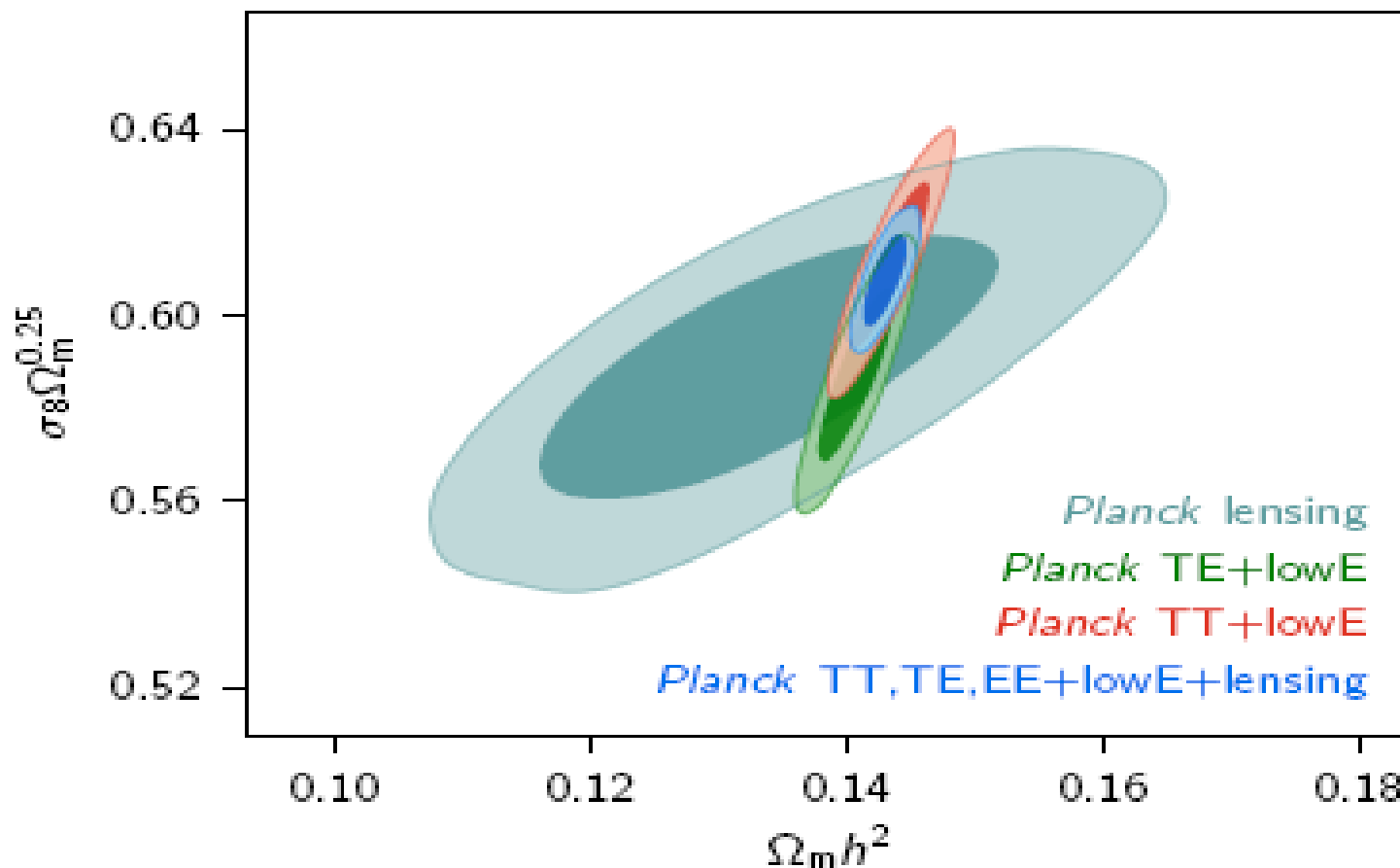
Hubble constant: $H_0 = 67.66 \pm 0.42 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$.

Nearly Flat Universe

- **Constraint: the Universe is fairly flat:** $\Omega_K = 0.001 \pm 0.002$
- **Planck 2018:** [\[arXiv:1807.06209\]](#)



Planck Fit 2018

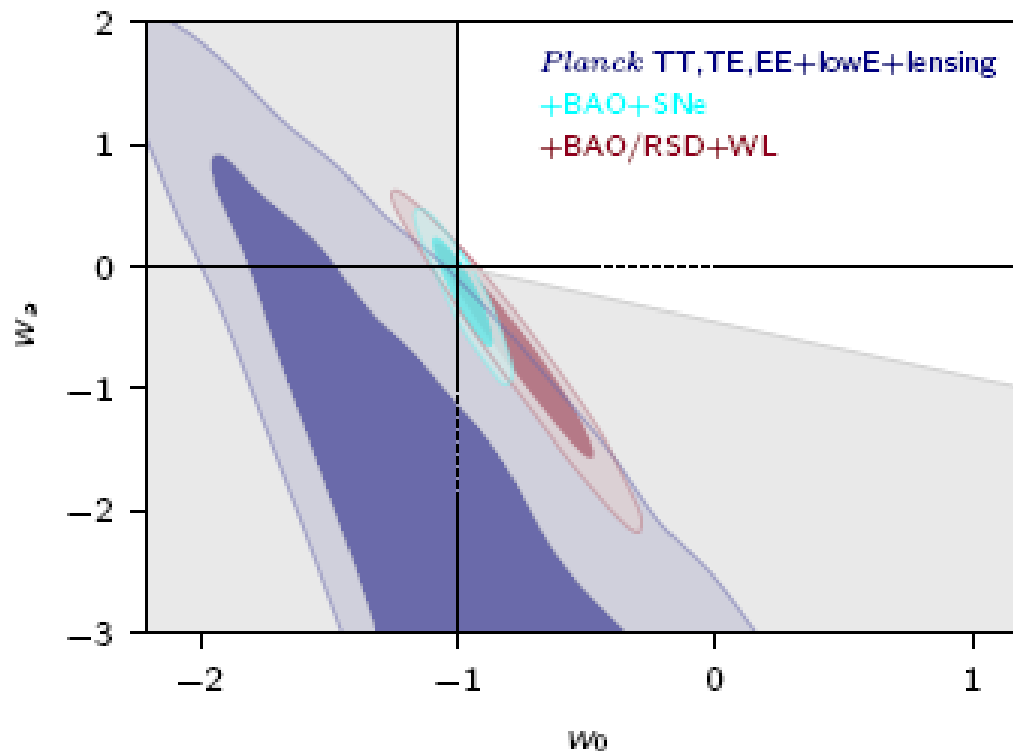


Dark Energy: Planck 2018

- Parametrization of $w = p/\rho$:

$$w(a) = w_0 + (1 - a)w_a$$

Parameter	<i>Planck</i> +SNe+BAO	<i>Planck</i> +BAO/RSD+WL
w_0	-0.961 ± 0.077	-0.76 ± 0.20
w_a	$-0.28^{+0.31}_{-0.27}$	$-0.72^{+0.62}_{-0.54}$



Dark Energy: 2 Big Challenges

- ◆ Does Dark Energy **Really exist** ?
 - How to find Direct Evidence of DE ?
- ◆ What is the **Identity** of Dark Energy ??
 - Cosmological Constant?
 - Many other models:
Phantom, Quintessence, Quintom.....?
- ◆ We study **Model-Independent, Direct Probe.**

Direct Probe of Dark Energy

- ◆ How to find **Direct Evidence** of DE ?
- ◆ We propose to **Directly Probe** DE at **Astrophysical Scales**, such as galaxies / galaxy clusters, around 1-20Mpc scales.
- ◆ Probe DE by **Gravitational Lensing**:
This is **Model-Independent Probe** of DE.

Many other Specific Models of DE

- ◆ **Quintessence:** $-1/3 > w > -1$ (Wetterich 1988)

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[-\frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \varphi \partial_\nu \varphi - V(\varphi) \right]$$

$$w = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \dot{\varphi}^2 - V(\varphi)}{\frac{1}{2} \dot{\varphi}^2 + V(\varphi)}$$

- ◆ **Phantom:** $w < -1$ (Caldwell 2002)

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \varphi \partial_\nu \varphi - V(\varphi) \right]$$

$$w = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \dot{\varphi}^2 + V(\varphi)}{\frac{1}{2} \dot{\varphi}^2 - V(\varphi)}$$

- ◆ **Quintom (Quintessence+Phantom):** w cross -1 (Feng, Wang, Zhang 2005)

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[-\frac{1}{2} \partial^\mu \varphi \partial_\mu \varphi + \frac{1}{2} \partial^\mu \sigma \partial_\mu \sigma - V(\varphi, \sigma) \right]$$

$$w = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \dot{\varphi}^2 - \frac{1}{2} \dot{\sigma}^2 - V}{\frac{1}{2} \dot{\varphi}^2 - \frac{1}{2} \dot{\sigma}^2 + V}$$

- ◆ **and many other models**

Taking Phantom as Example

- **Energy Density and Pressure:**

$$\begin{aligned}\rho_p &= -\frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{2} + V(\phi) \\ p_p &= -\frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{2} - V(\phi)\end{aligned}$$

Obey:

$$w_p = \frac{p_p}{\rho_p} < -1$$

- **Energy-Momentum Tensor:**

$$\begin{aligned}T_t^t &= \rho(r), \\ T_i^j &= 3 w \rho(r) \left[-(1 + 3 \beta) \frac{r_i r^j}{r_n r^n} + \beta \delta_i^j \right]\end{aligned}$$

- **Equation of State Parameter:**

$$\langle T_i^j \rangle = -\rho(r) w \delta_i^j = -p(r) \delta_i^j$$

Kiselev 2002

Astrophysical Scale: Galaxy & Galaxy Cluster

- Galaxies & Galaxy Clusters (with mass $10^{12-16} M_{\text{sun}}$) exist at Scales $\leq O(1-20) \text{ Mpc} \ll \text{CMB Scale (above } 100-200 \text{ Mpc)}$.
- Astrophysical system is fairly Static
 $|\Delta a(t)|/a \sim 10^{-3} \text{—} 10^{-4}$
- This corresponds to a **Schwartzschild-de-Sitter Spacetime** with generic state parameter w .

Schwartzschild-de-Sitter-w metric (SdSw)

- **General Static & Spherically Symmetric Spacetime:**

$$dS^2 = e^{\mathbb{A}} dt^2 - e^{\mathbb{B}} dr^2 - r^2 (d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2)$$

- **Energy-Momentum Tensor:**

$$8\pi T_t^t = -e^{-\mathbb{B}} \left(\frac{1}{r^2} - \frac{\mathbb{B}'}{r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2},$$

$$8\pi T_r^r = -e^{-\mathbb{B}} \left(\frac{1}{r^2} + \frac{\mathbb{A}'}{r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2},$$

$$8\pi T_\theta^\theta = 8\pi T_\phi^\phi = -\frac{e^{-\mathbb{B}}}{2} \left(\mathbb{A}'' + \frac{\mathbb{A}'^2}{2} + \frac{\mathbb{A}' - \mathbb{B}'}{r} - \frac{\mathbb{A}'\mathbb{B}'}{2} \right)$$

where $\mathbb{A}' = d\mathbb{A}(r)/dr$ and $\mathbb{B}' = d\mathbb{B}(r)/dr$

Solving Einstein Equation

◆ Linearity and Additivity:

$$T_t^t = T_r^r$$



$$\beta = -(3w+1)/(6w)$$



$$T_t^t = T_r^r = \rho$$

$$T_\theta^\theta = T_\phi^\phi = -\frac{\rho}{2}(3w+1)$$

(similar to Kiselev 2002)

$$\mathbb{A} + \mathbb{B} = 0$$



$$\mathbb{B} = -\ln(1+F)$$

$$4\pi T_t^t = 4\pi T_r^r = -\frac{1}{2r^2}(F + rF'),$$

$$4\pi T_\theta^\theta = 4\pi T_\phi^\phi = -\frac{1}{4r}(2F' + rF'')$$



$$F_N = -2\frac{r_g}{r}$$

$$F_{DE} = -2\left(\frac{r_o}{r}\right)^{3w+1}$$

Gauge Fixing

Potential

$$\Phi_N = -\frac{M}{r}$$

$$\Phi_{DE} = -\left(\frac{r_o}{r}\right)^{3w+1}$$

Schwartzschild-de-Sitter-w metric (SdSw)

$$dS^2 = \left[1 - 2\frac{M}{r} - 2\left(\frac{r_o}{r}\right)^{3w+1} \right] dt^2 - \frac{dr^2}{\left[1 - 2\frac{M}{r} - 2\left(\frac{r_o}{r}\right)^{3w+1} \right]} - r^2 (d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\phi^2)$$

Matter Potential

DE Potential



$$\Phi = -\frac{M}{r} - \left(\frac{r_o}{r}\right)^{3w+1}$$

$$\Phi_{\Lambda} = -\left(\frac{r}{r_o}\right)^2 = -\frac{\Lambda}{6}r^2$$

For some specific models:

- Cosmological Constant, $w = -1$;
- Quintessence, $-1 < w < -1/3$;
- Phantom, $w < -1$.

$$r_o = \sqrt{6/\Lambda} \\ \simeq 0.72 \times 10^4 \text{ Mpc}$$

Light Orbital Equation under SdSw

$$\frac{d^2 u}{d\phi^2} = -u + 3Mu^2 + 3(w+1)r_o^{3w+1}u^{3w+2}$$

➤ **DE Correction term: -- it is **w** and **r** dependent !**

$$\left(\frac{du}{d\phi}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{b^2} + \frac{2}{r_o^2} - u^2 + 2Mu^3 + \frac{2}{r_o^2} \left[(r_o u)^{3(w+1)} - 1 \right]$$

DE Correction

(**u=1/r**)

Critical Radius

$$g_{00} = 1 + 2\Phi$$

◆ **Gravity Potential:**

$$\Phi = -\frac{M}{r} - \left(\frac{r_o}{r}\right)^{3w+1}$$



◆ **Dark Force:**

$$\vec{F} = -\nabla\Phi = \left(-\frac{M}{r^2} + \frac{|3w+1|}{r_o} \left(\frac{r}{r_o}\right)^{|3w+2|}\right) \hat{r}$$

◆ **Critical Radius:**



F=0

$$r_{\text{cri}} = r_o \left(\frac{M}{|3w+1| r_o}\right)^{-\frac{1}{3w}}$$

◆ **Important:**

r_{cri} defines Lensing System as an **Isolated System** !

Critical Radius ($w = -1$)

For cosmological constant ($w = -1$):

◆ **Dark force:**

$$\vec{g} = -\vec{\nabla} \Phi = \left(-\frac{GM}{r^2} + \frac{\Lambda}{3} r \right) \hat{r}.$$

◆ **Critical Radius:**


$$r_c = \left(\frac{3GM}{\Lambda} \right)^{1/3}$$

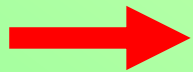
◆ **For $M = 10^{12-16}M_{\text{sun}} \rightarrow r_c = (1.1\text{—}23)\text{Mpc}$.**

Critical Radius: Matching Condition

Matching at boundary r_{eff}
of the Lensing System:

$$\frac{M}{\frac{4\pi}{3}r_{\text{eff}}^3} = \rho_M ,$$


$$r_{\text{eff}} = \left(\frac{3M}{4\pi\rho_M} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} = r_{\text{cri}} \left(\frac{3|3w+1|}{4\pi r_o^2 \rho_M} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \left(\frac{r_{\text{cri}}}{r_o} \right)^{|w|-1} .$$


($w = -1$)

$$r_{\text{eff}} = r_{\text{cri}} \left(\frac{2}{\Omega_M/\Omega_\Lambda} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \simeq 1.7 r_{\text{cri}}$$

Post Newtonian Approximation

Under Newtonian gauge:


(1) Weak field approx:

$$\frac{M}{r} \ll 1 \quad \left(\frac{r_0}{r}\right)^{3w+1} \ll 1$$

(2) Poisson equation:

$$-\nabla^2 \Phi = 4\pi(\rho_M - \rho_w)$$

(3) Self-Bounded System: $r \leq r_{\text{cri}}$


$$dS^2 = (1 + 2\Phi)dt^2 - (1 - 2\Phi)(dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2)$$

Dark Energy Lensing

- ◆ For isolated astrophysical system in post-Newtonian approximation:

$$dS^2 = (1+2\Phi)dt^2 - (1-2\Phi)(dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2)$$

- ◆ Weak field condition:

$$\Phi = \Phi_N + \Phi_{DE}$$

$$\Phi_N \ll 1$$

$$\Phi_{DE} \ll 1$$

- ◆ Refractive Index:

$$n = 1 - 2\Phi_N - 2\Phi_{DE}$$

Newtonian term: n_M

DE term: Δn_{DE}

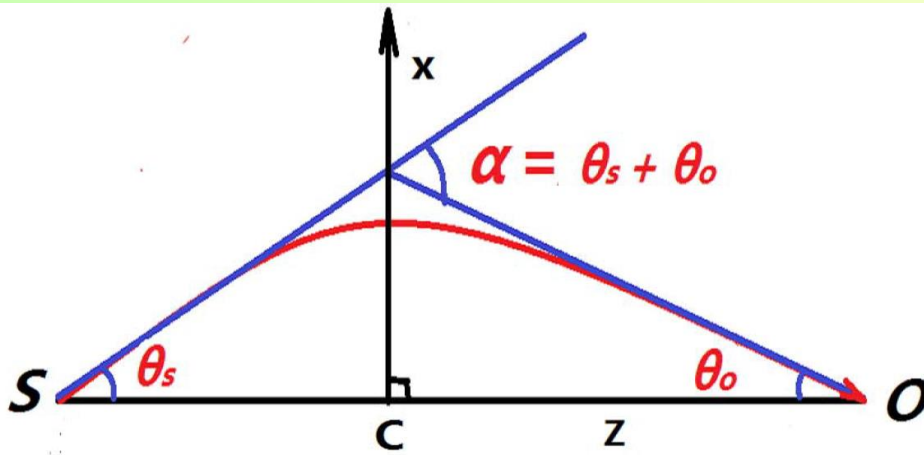
Light Deflection

- ◆ **Fermat Principle:**

$$\left(n \frac{dx}{d\ell}\right)_{\mathcal{O}} - \left(n \frac{dx}{d\ell}\right)_{\mathcal{S}} = \int_{\mathcal{S}}^{\mathcal{O}} d\ell \frac{\partial n}{\partial x}$$

- ◆ **Incident & Outgoing angles:**

$$n_{\mathcal{S}} \simeq 1 \text{ and } n_{\mathcal{O}} \simeq 1.$$



$$\theta_{\mathcal{S}} \simeq n_{\mathcal{S}} \left(\frac{dx}{d\ell}\right)_{\mathcal{S}}, \quad \theta_{\mathcal{O}} \simeq -n_{\mathcal{O}} \left(\frac{dx}{d\ell}\right)_{\mathcal{O}}$$

- ◆ **Deflection angle:**

$$\vec{\alpha} = \vec{\theta}_{\mathcal{O}} + \vec{\theta}_{\mathcal{S}} = -2 \int_{\mathcal{S}}^{\mathcal{O}} d\ell \nabla_{\perp} \Phi_{\text{N}} - 2 \int_{\mathcal{S}}^{\mathcal{O}} d\ell \nabla_{\perp} \Phi_{\text{DE}}$$



Dark Energy: Concave Lensing

◆ Convex Lens (凸透镜)

$$\vec{\alpha}_M = -2 \int_S^{\mathcal{O}} d\ell \nabla_{\perp} \Phi_N$$

$$\simeq \boxed{-2M} \int_S^{\mathcal{O}} d\ell \frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_c)_{\perp}}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_c|^3}$$

◆ Concave Lens (凹透镜)

$$\Delta \vec{\alpha}_{DE} = -2 \int_S^{\mathcal{O}} d\ell \nabla_{\perp} \Phi_{DE}$$

$$= \boxed{2(-3w-1)} r_o^{3w+1} \int_S^{\mathcal{O}} d\ell \frac{(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_c)_{\perp}}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_c|^{3w+3}}$$

Gravitational Lens = Convex + Concave Lens

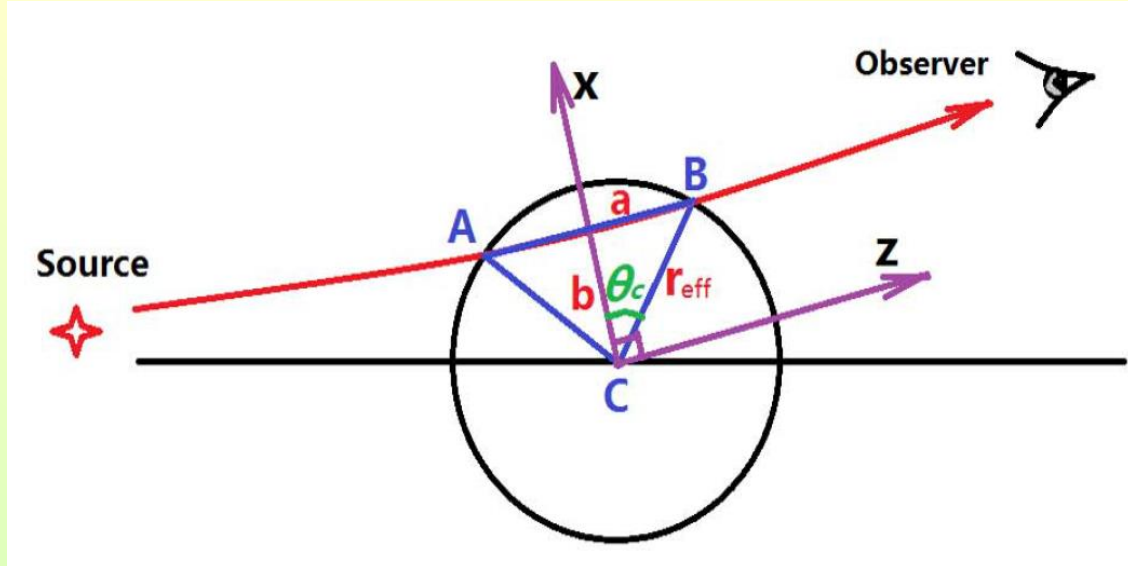
$$\vec{\alpha} = \vec{\alpha}_M + \Delta \vec{\alpha}_{DE}$$

$$\text{sign}(\Delta \alpha_{DE}^x) = -\text{sign}(\alpha_M^x)$$

Dark Energy Induced Deflection

◆ DE Deflection:

$$\Delta \vec{\alpha}_{\text{DE}} = -2 \int_S^{\mathcal{O}} d\ell \nabla_{\perp} \Phi_{\text{DE}}$$



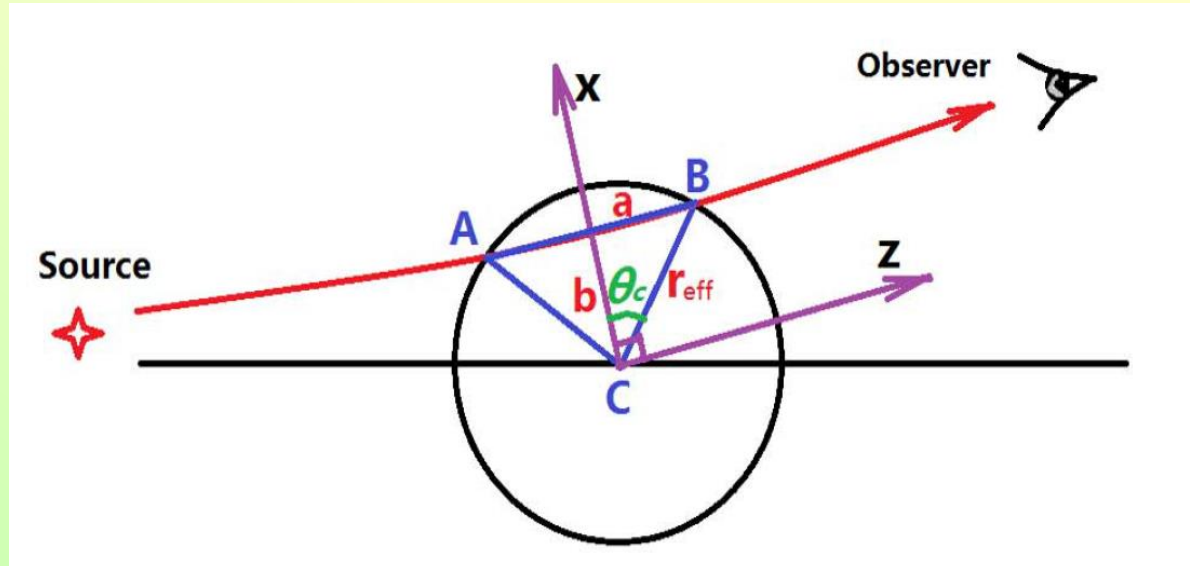
◆ For Cosmological Constant ($w = -1$):

$$\Delta \alpha_{\text{DE}} = 4 \left(\frac{r_{\text{eff}}}{r_o} \right)^2 \sin 2\theta_c = 2n_{\text{eff}}^2 \sin 2\theta_c \left(\frac{\Lambda M^2}{3} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}},$$

◆ DE Lensing Effect: For Galaxy & Galaxy Cluster, Deflection Angle can reach:

$$\Delta \alpha_{\text{DE}}^{\text{max}} \simeq n_{\text{eff}}^2 \times (0.018'' - 8.5'')$$

Dark Energy Induced Deflection



- ◆ For Cosmological Constant ($w = -1$):

$$\alpha_M = \frac{4M}{r_{\text{eff}}} \tan \theta_c$$

$$\frac{\Delta \alpha_{\text{DE}}}{\alpha_M} = n_{\text{eff}}^3 \cos^2 \theta_c = n_{\text{eff}} \frac{b^2}{r_{\text{cri}}^2}$$

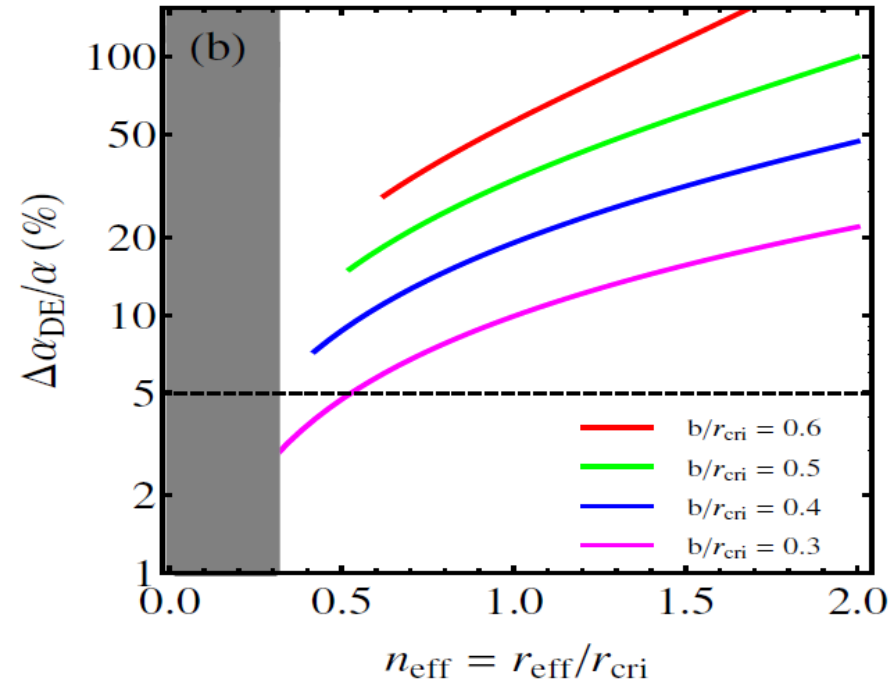
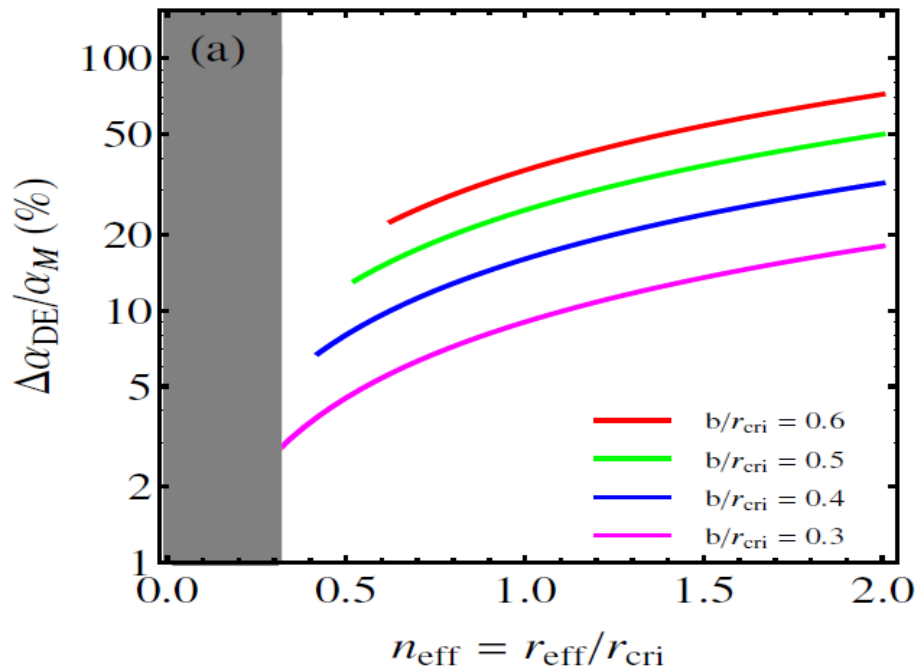
- ◆ For visible DE effect, we need:

$$b = \mathcal{O}(0.3-1) r_{\text{cri}}$$

Dark Energy Induced Deflection

- At Effective Radius $\mathbf{r_{eff} = n_{eff} r_{cri}}$,

$$\frac{\Delta\alpha_{DE}}{\alpha_M} = n_{eff}^3 \cos^2\theta_c = n_{eff} \frac{b^2}{r_{cri}^2}$$

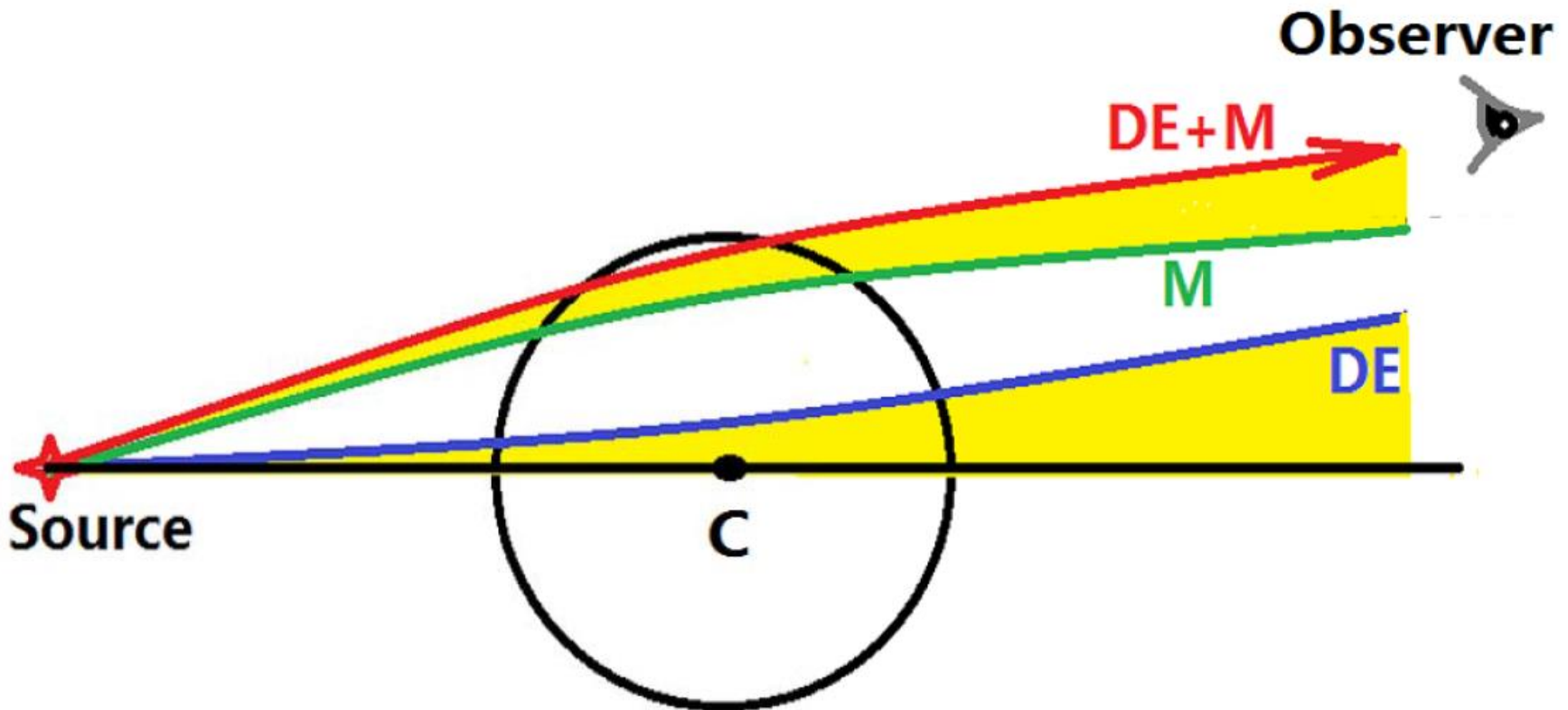


Gravitational Lensing

Gravitational Lens = Convex + Concave Lens

Lensing Equation:

$$\vec{\theta} = \vec{\beta} + (\vec{\alpha}_M + \Delta\vec{\alpha}_{DE}) \frac{D_{SC}}{D_{SO}}$$



Outside Lensing System

➤ For $r_{\text{cri}}^{3|w|}/r^{3|w|} \ll 1$, SdSw \rightarrow dSw.

we have **Conformally flat metric: de Sitter-w (dSw):**

$$dS^2 \simeq dS_{\text{dSw}}^2 = \left[1 - 2\left(\frac{r_o}{r}\right)^{3w+1}\right] dt^2 - \frac{dr^2}{\left[1 - 2\left(\frac{r_o}{r}\right)^{3w+1}\right]} - r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\phi^2)$$

➤ Under **conformally flat dSw** spacetime, the light orbit is not affected, so the Deflection Angle is unchanged.

Prediction of New Phenomenon

- ◆ For galaxy (cluster), Dark Energy contributes a **Replusive Power-Law term** to Gravitational Potential, taking a **Model-Independent** form.
- ◆ Dark Energy Lensing: **Concave Lensing Effect**
Matter: **Convex lensing**
- ◆ Distinguish DE Models: **$w \neq -1$ vs $w = -1$**
 $w \neq -1$ causes deformation of shear image
- ◆ Much more can be pursued along this direction...



Thank You !

Backup Slides

Dark Energy (DE)

Einstein Equation: CC

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu}R + \Lambda g_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi GT_{\mu\nu}$$

Indirect Probe from CMB

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scale factor $a(t)$ at
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