

Dark energy, galaxies and the Dark Energy Survey

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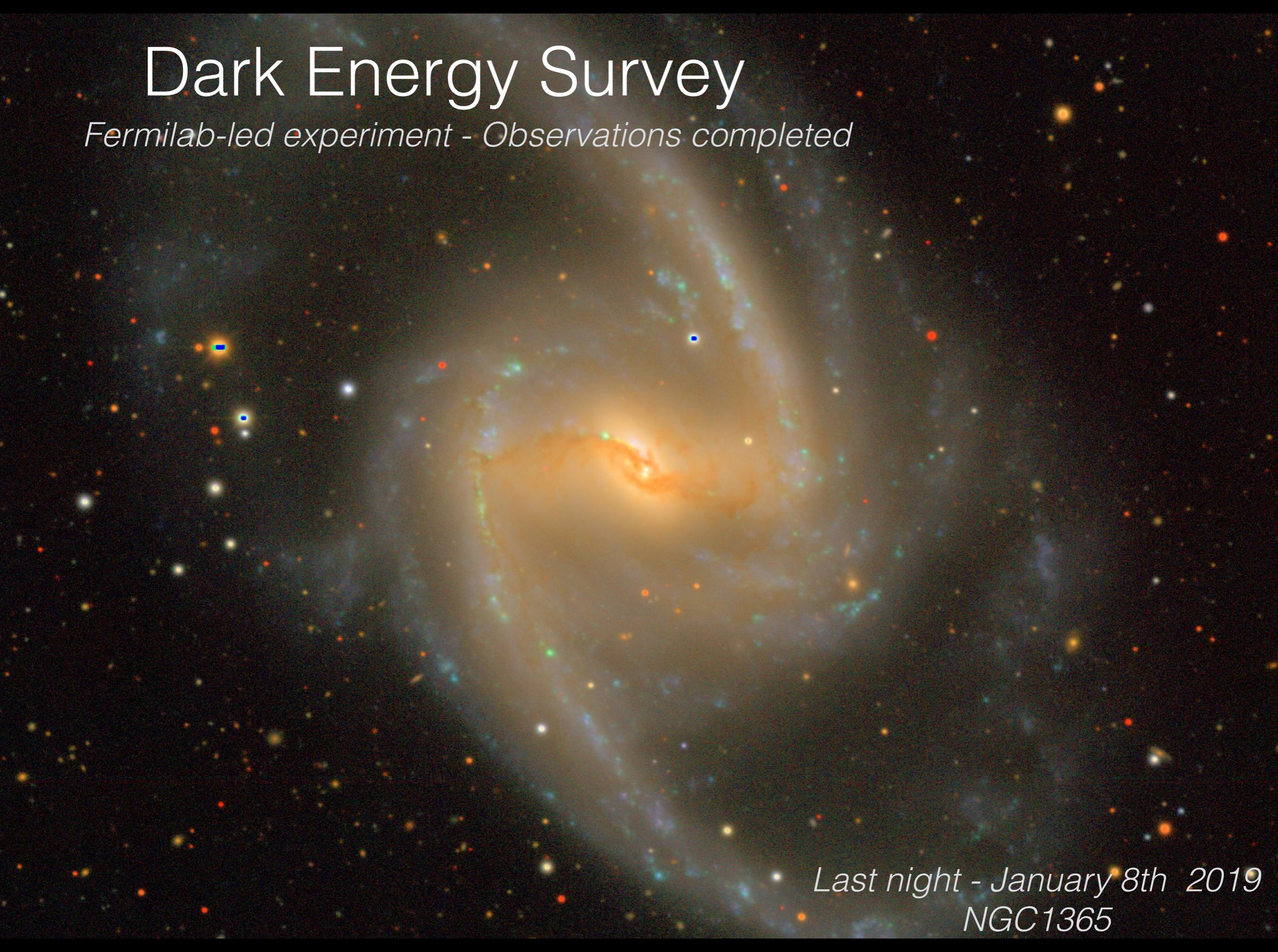
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Dark Energy Survey

Fermilab-led experiment - Observations completed



Last night - January 8th 2019
NGC 1365

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The Dark Energy Survey

~450 scientists from 25 institutions in 7 countries



Dark Energy Survey



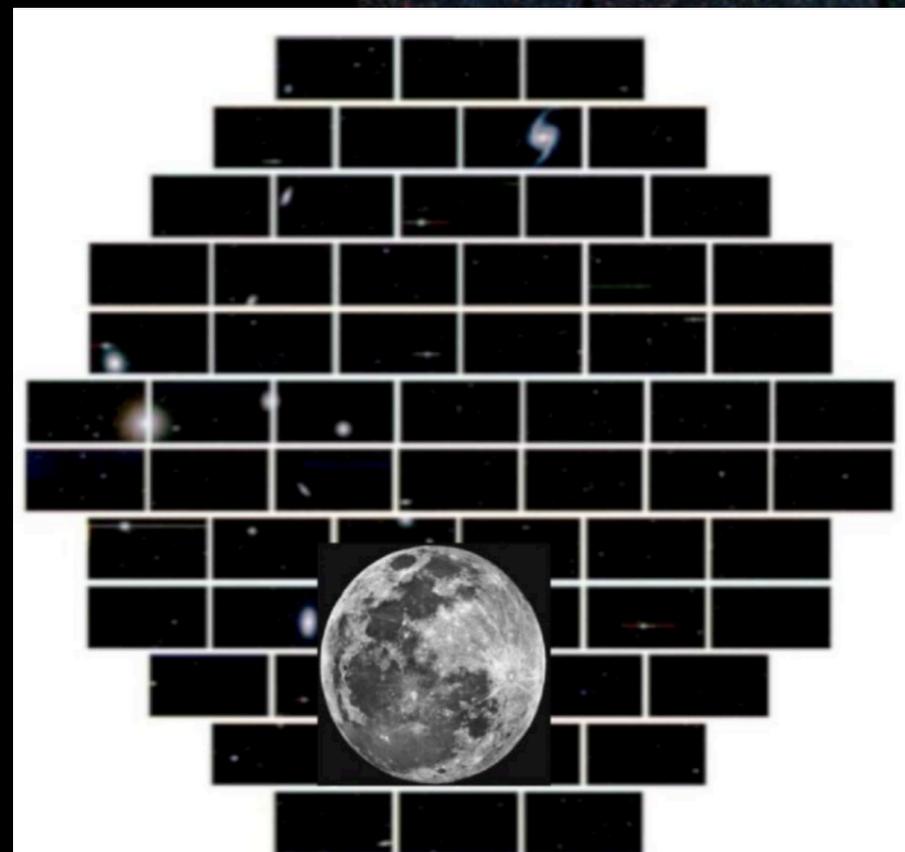
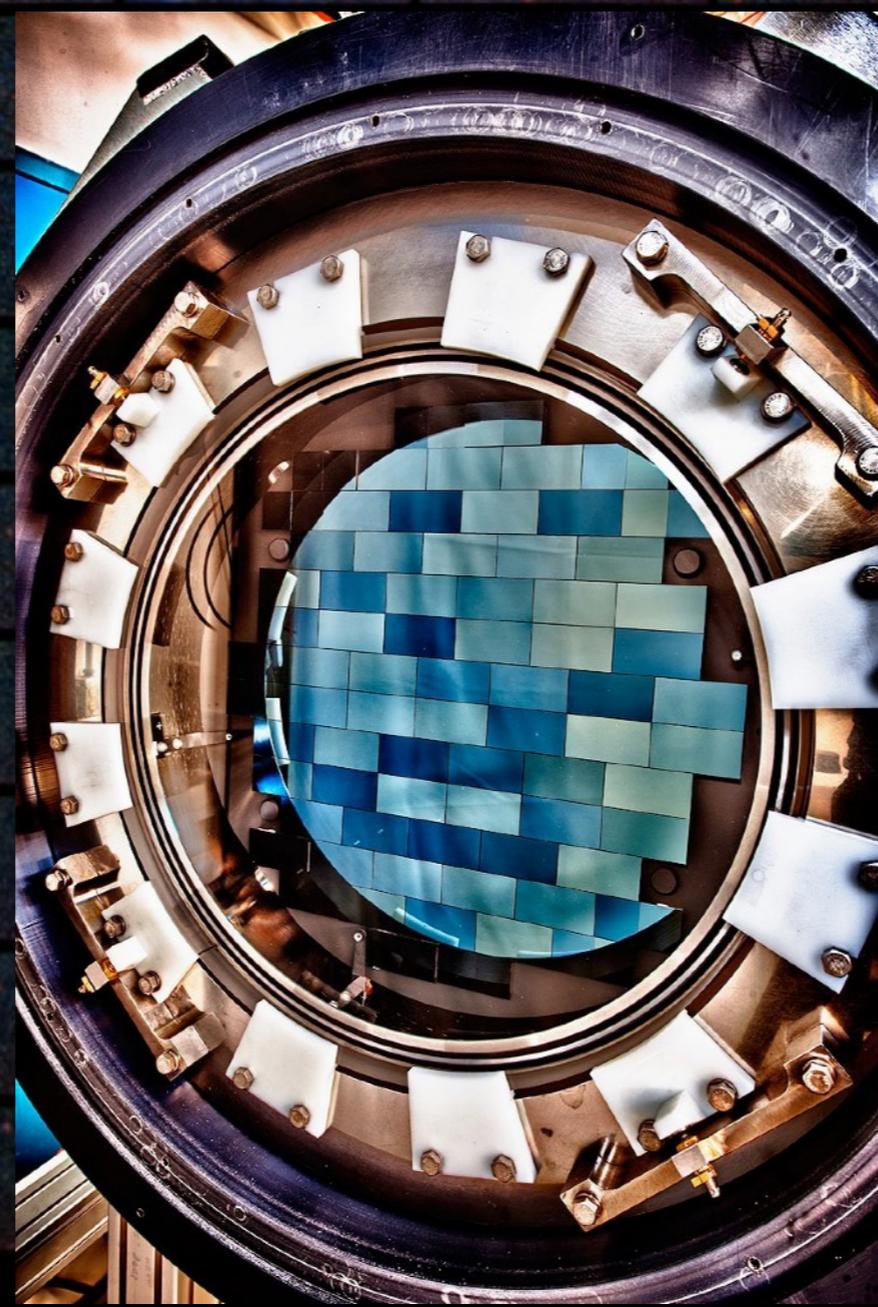
DECam

3 sq deg FOV (10 moons)

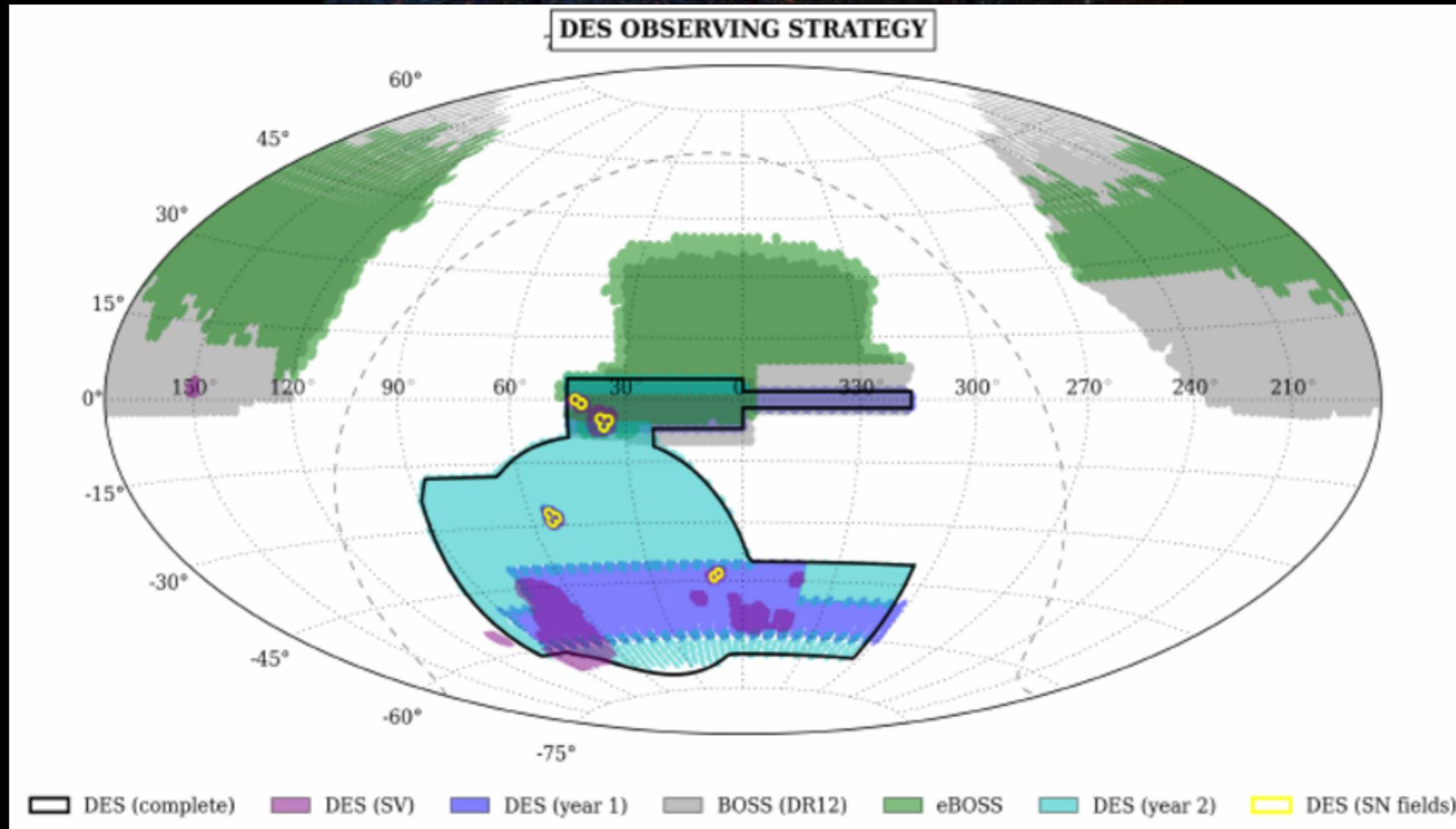
570 Mpix optical CCD camera - (was) biggest digital camera of the world

Built at Fermilab

Blanco telescope @CTIO (Chile)



Dark Energy Survey



DES programs

Wide: 5000 sq deg (**1/8 of the sky & data for 300 Million galaxies**)

SNe: 30 sq deg ~every week

Neutrinos: follow-up of Icecube events

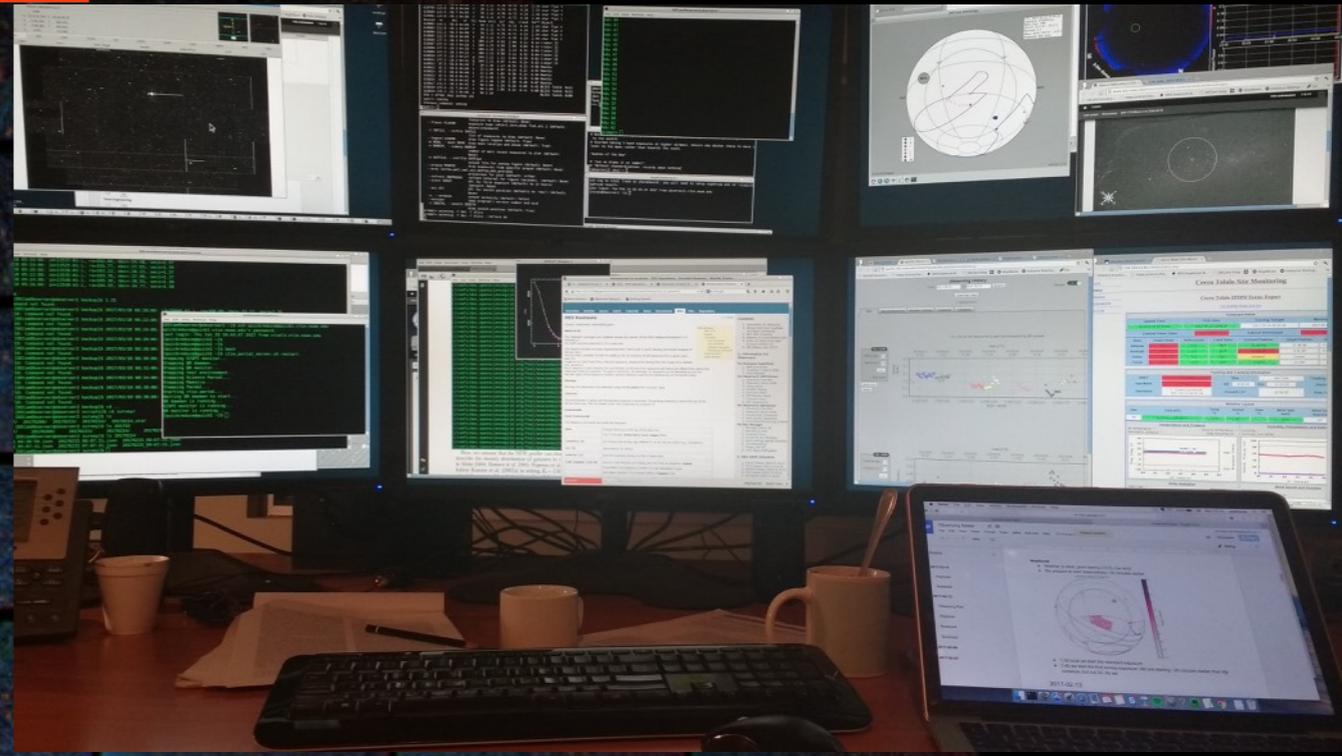
GW: follow-up of LIGO/Virgo events

Observing at CTIO

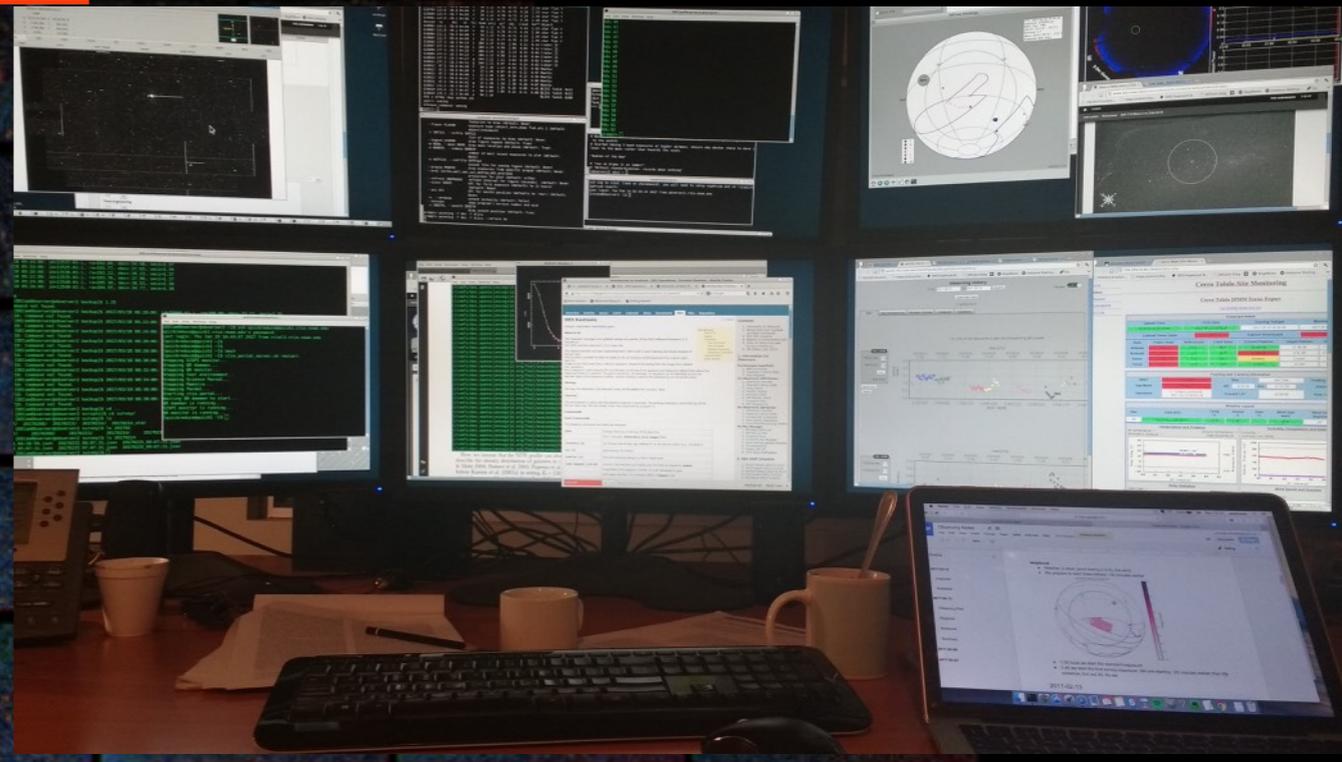


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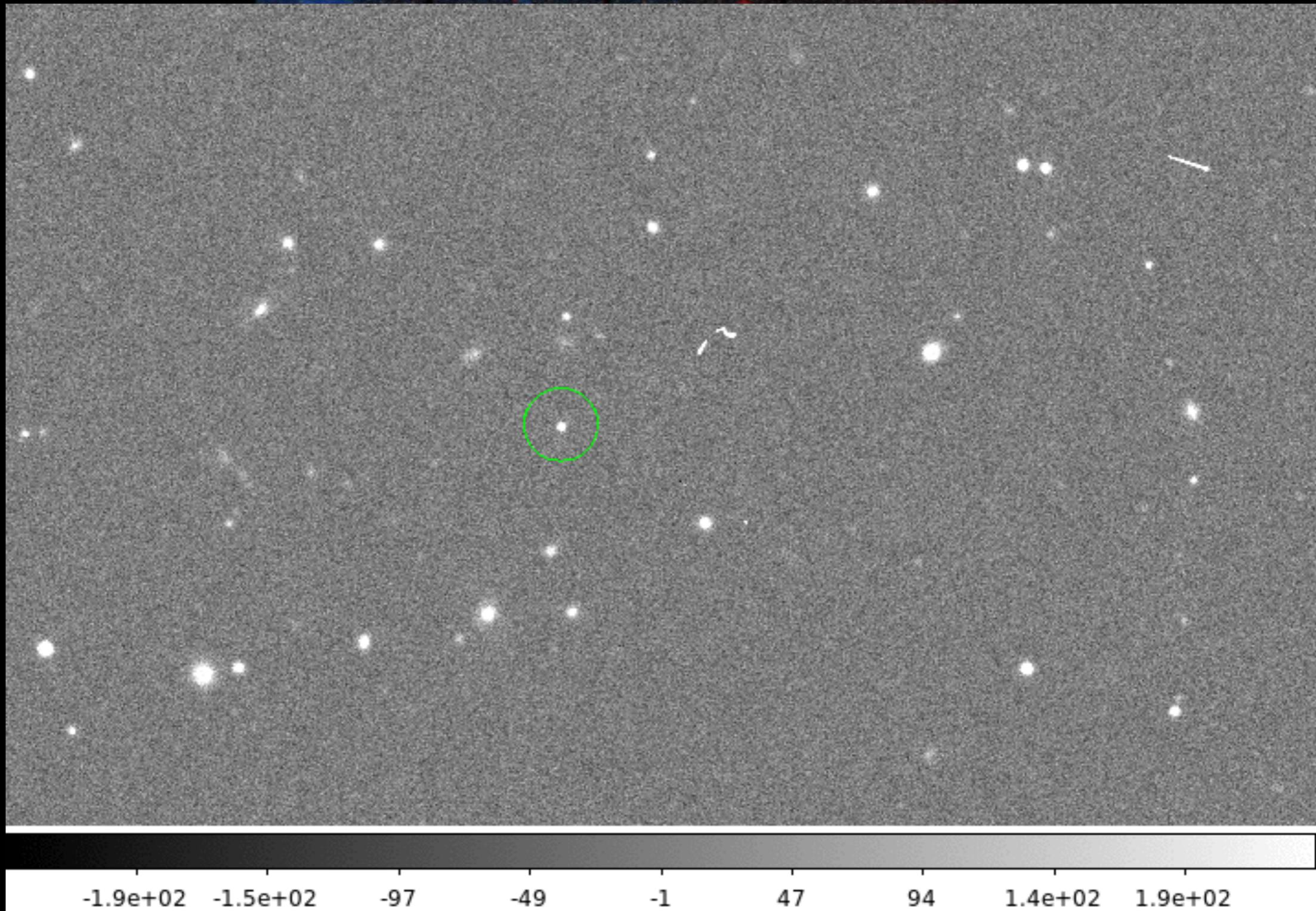
Observer1



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More than Dark Energy



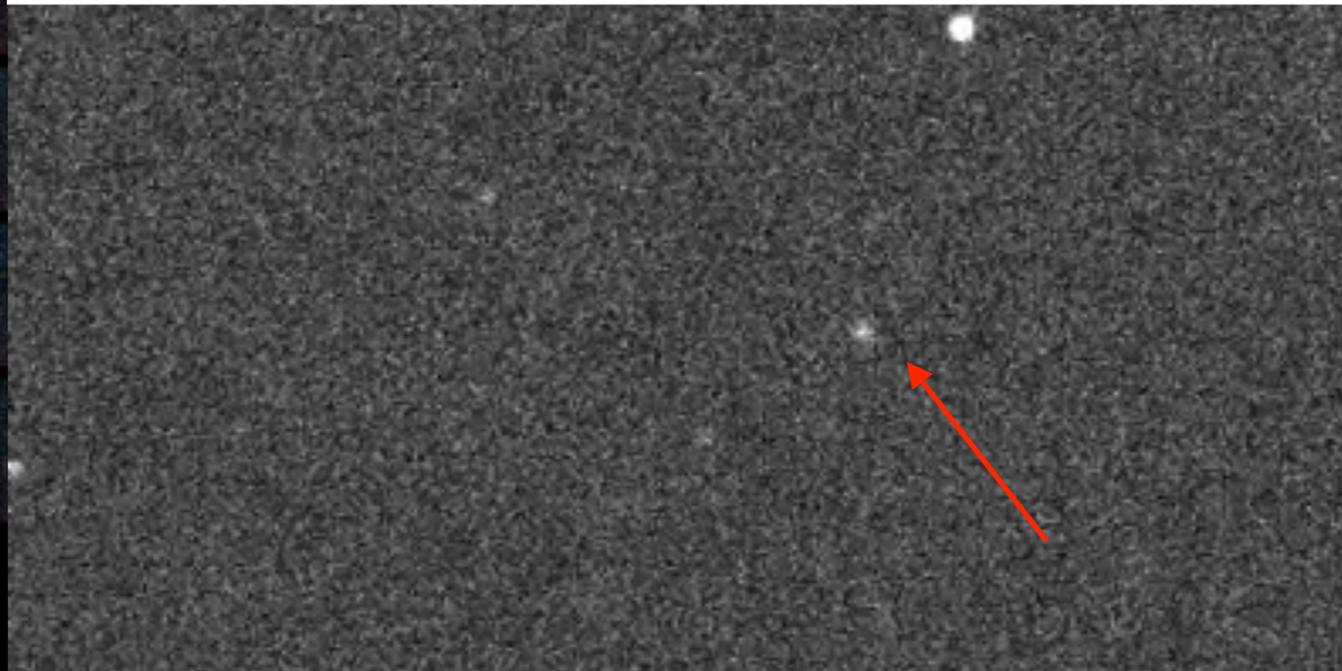
Dark Energy Survey
@theDESsurvey

Following

DES has taken images of ~300 million galaxies, ~80 million stars and now.....a car?

Yes, DES and the DECam Legacy Survey (DECaLS) found the @SpaceX Roadster. space.com/39720-spacex-s...

Each frame is a 20-second exposure, in g,r,i and z color filters. (gif: F. Valdes)





Galaxy morphology

The Hubble
Tuning Fork

Ellipticals



E0



E5



Sa

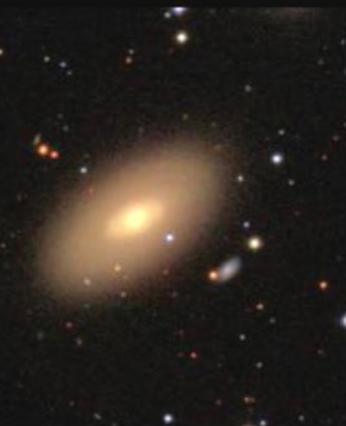


Sb



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Unbarred spirals



Lenticular
S0

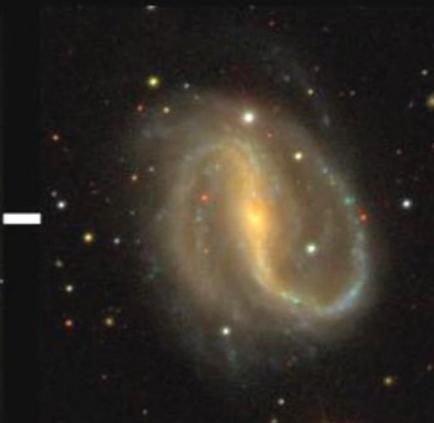
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SBb



SBc

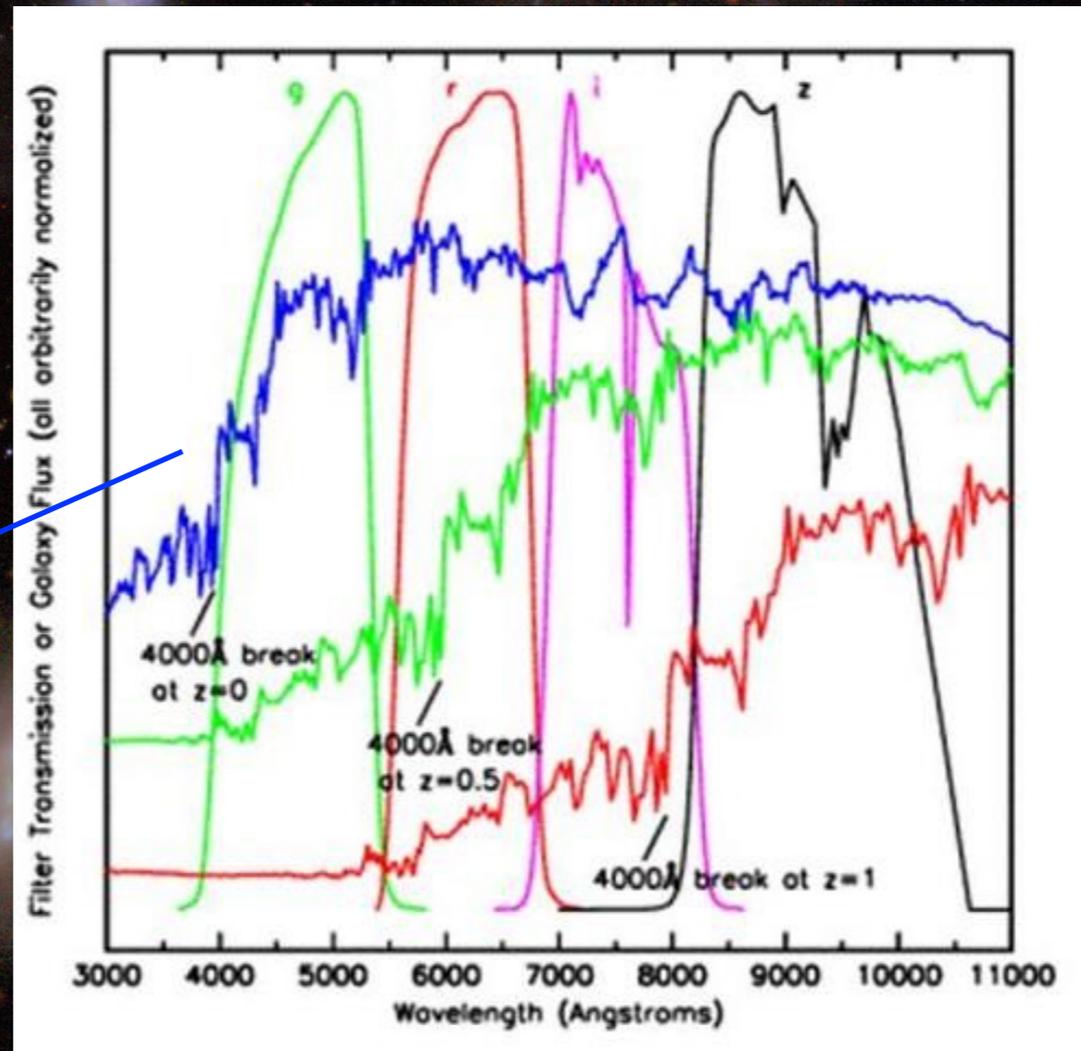


Barred spirals

Thanks to: Galaxy Zoo/SDSS

Galaxy redshift

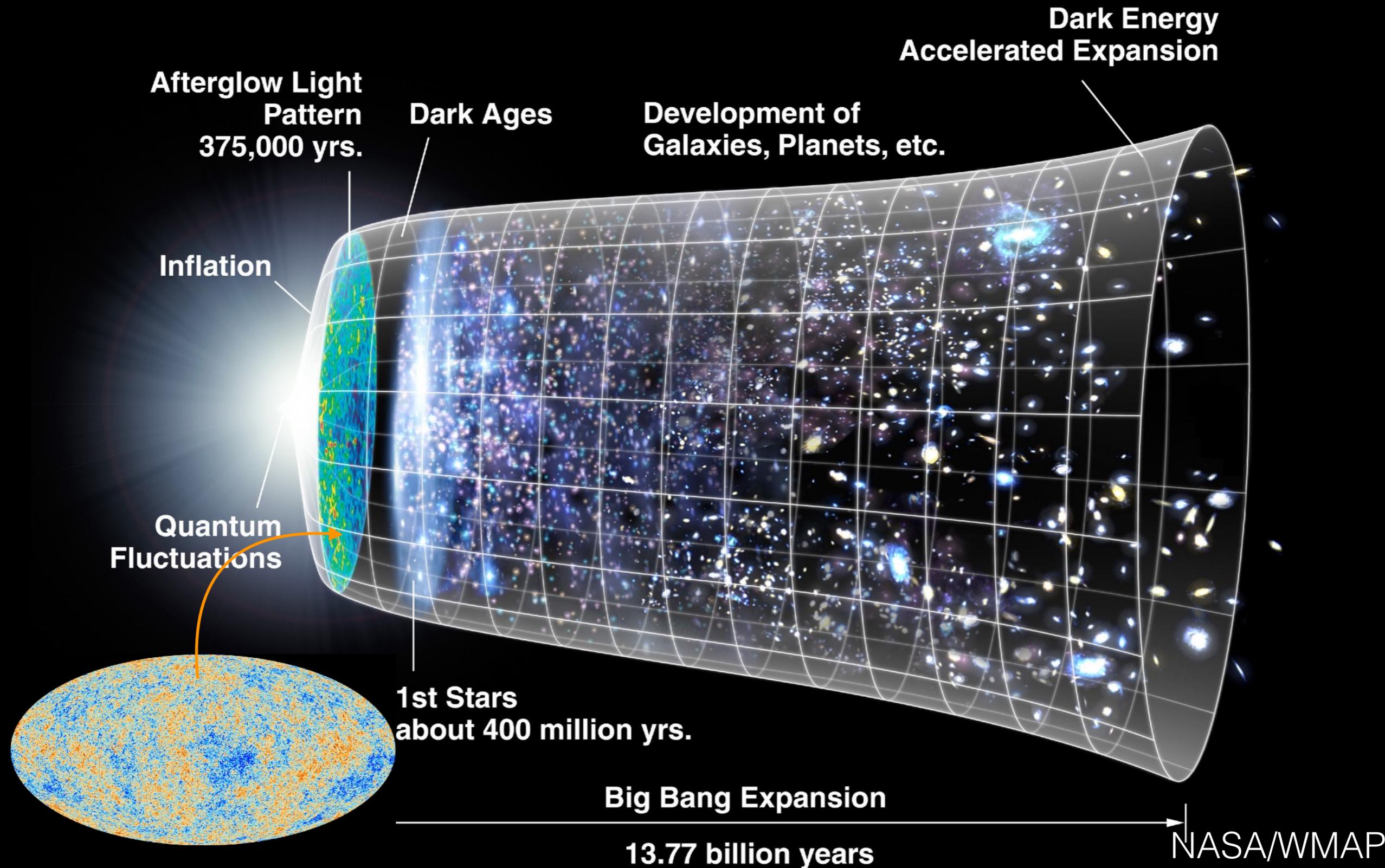
Galaxy spectral
energy distribution
(SED)



$$1 + z \equiv \frac{\lambda_{\text{oss}}}{\lambda_{\text{em}}}$$

Just like **Doppler shift** for sound waves,
but for electromagnetic waves.

Our odd but successful model



The Universe's expansion

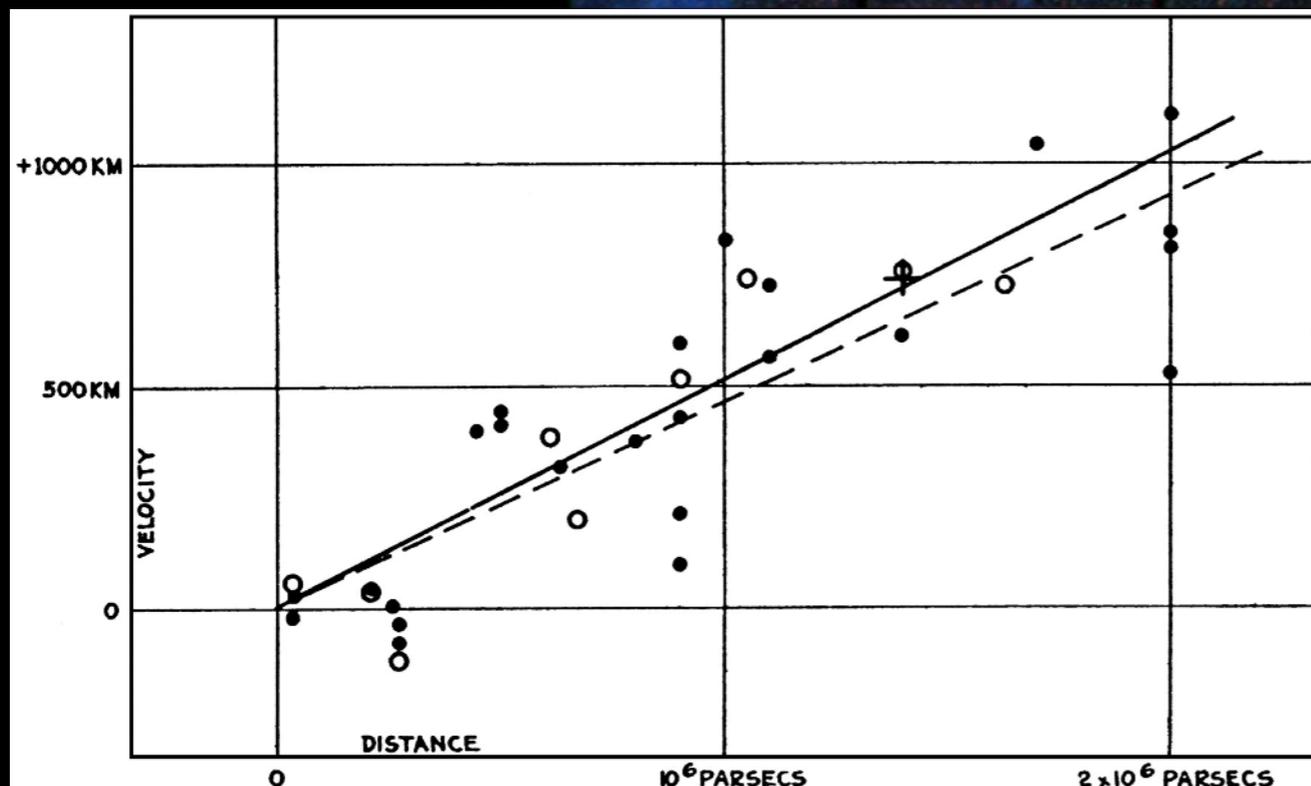


www.spacetelescope.org

Hubble, 1929



Velocity/redshift



Distance from variable stars



Anything wrong with this plot?

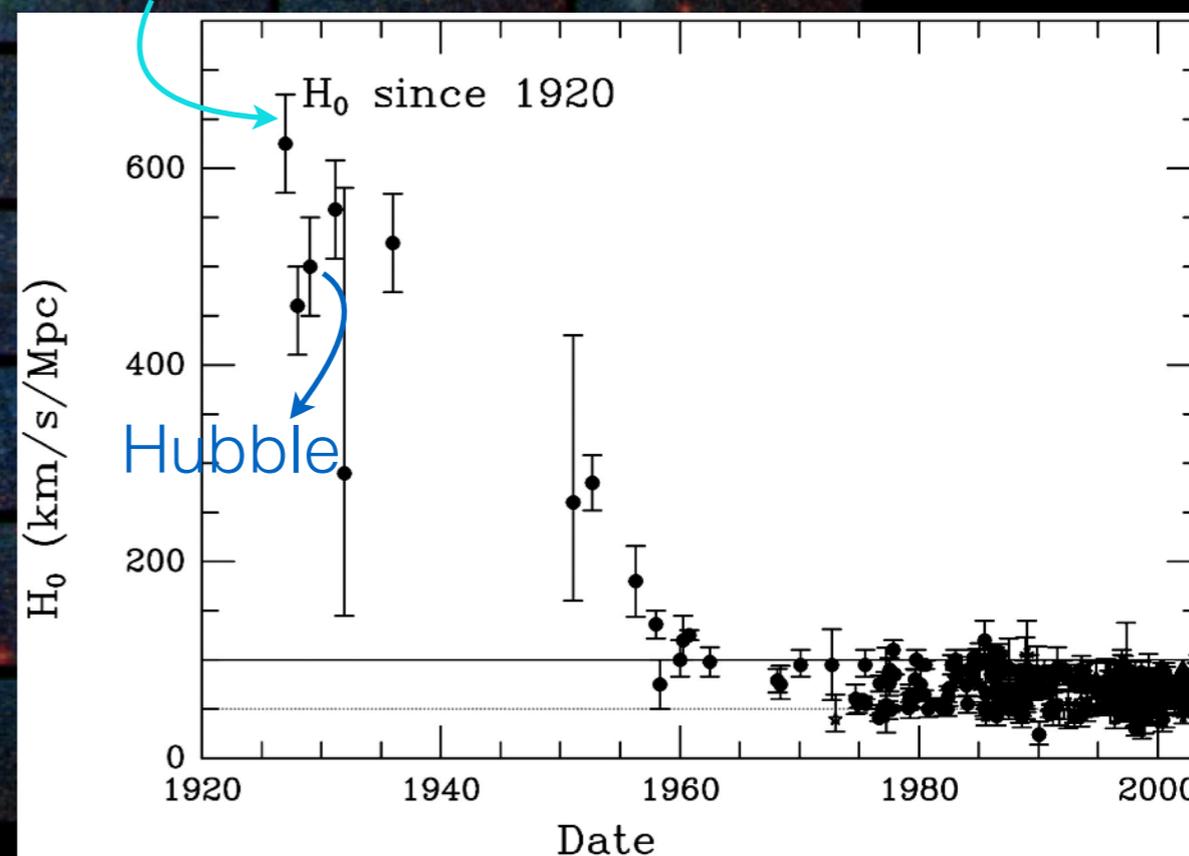
A galaxy's velocity/redshift is proportional to its distance

$$v = H_0 d_L$$

$$cz = H_0 d_L$$

Note: approximation

Lemaitre



The Universe is accelerating, 1998



Supernovae as standard candles



Photo: Lawrence Berkeley National Lab

Saul Perlmutter



Photo: Belinda Pratten, Australian National University

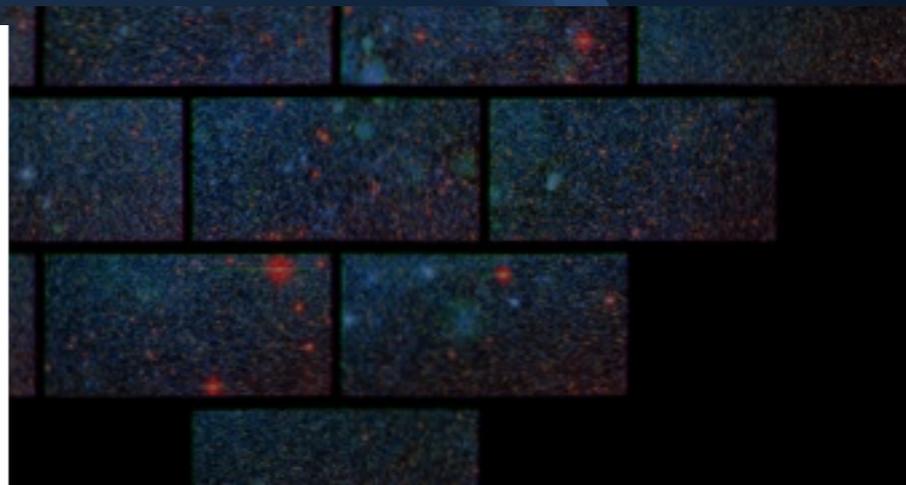
Brian P. Schmidt



Photo: Scanpix/AFP

Adam G. Riess

The Nobel Prize in Physics 2011 was awarded "for the discovery of the accelerating expansion of the Universe through observations of distant supernovae" with one half to Saul Perlmutter and the other half jointly to Brian P. Schmidt and Adam G. Riess.

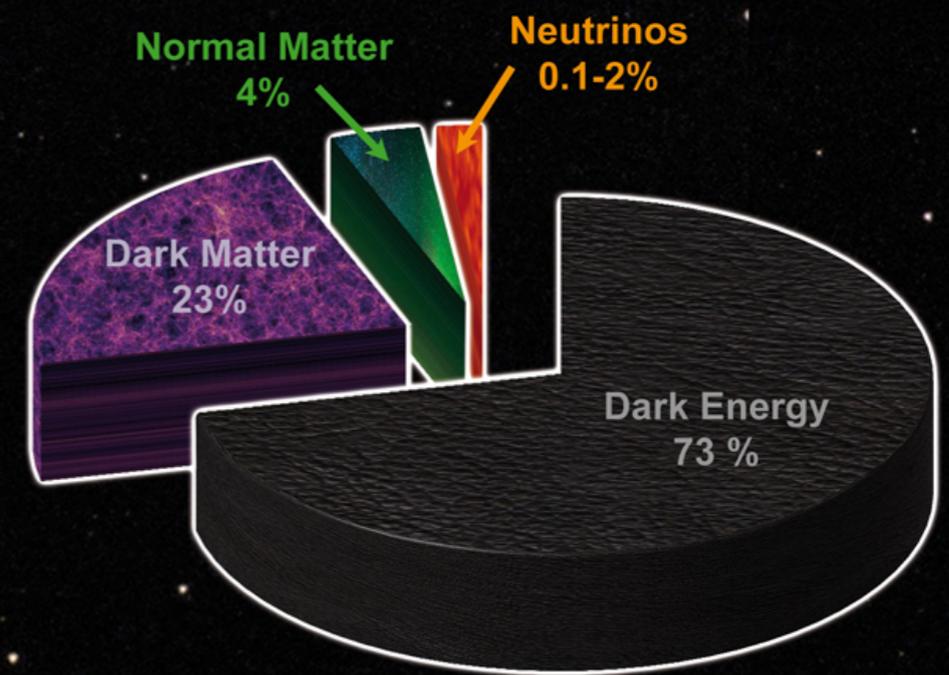
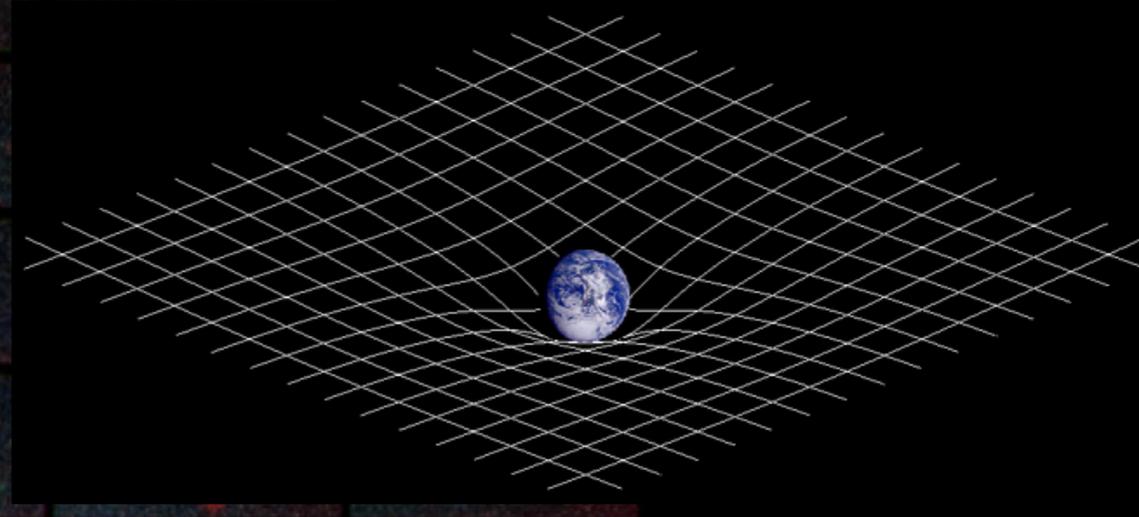


2011 Nobel prize

Dark Energy (DE)



- Something invisible all around us, that **pushes the “spacetime mesh” apart instead of pulling**
- **Most successful cosmological model - flat Λ CDM** : spatially flat expanding Universe where Λ and **CDM (Cold Dark Matter)** are the main components at times close to present. Works well with **just 6 parameters!**
- Makes up **~70%** of the mass-energy of the Universe
- Describe DE as a fluid, with its “Equation of state parameter” w $P = w\rho$
- **Cosmological constant Λ** : energy density constant in time, $w=-1$.
- It could be an actual field, or a modification of gravity
- Dynamical DE (CPL): $w(z) = w_0 + w_a \frac{z}{1+z}$



The Universe pie

Cosmological constant - the prequel

- 1917: Homogeneous, isotropic, closed **static** Universe
- Based on local observations of stars

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

- 1931: **Einstein's denial**
- The static solution is unstable!
- “The biggest blunder he has ever made in life”

“Einstein's mistake was not that he introduced the cosmological constant - it was that he thought it was a mistake” (Weinberg 2008)

Kosmologische Betrachtungen zur allgemeinen Relativitätstheorie.

VON A. EINSTEIN.

Es ist wohlbekannt, daß die Poissonsche Differentialgleichung

$$\Delta\phi = 4\pi K\rho \quad (1)$$

in Verbindung mit der Bewegungsgleichung des materiellen Punktes die Newtonsche Fernwirkungstheorie noch nicht vollständig ersetzt. Es muß noch die Bedingung hinzutreten, daß im räumlich Unendlichen das Potential ϕ einem festen Grenzwerte zustrebt. Analog verhält es sich bei der Gravitationstheorie der allgemeinen Relativität; auch hier müssen zu den Differentialgleichungen Grenzbedingungen hinzutreten für das räumlich Unendliche, falls man die Welt wirklich als räumlich unendlich ausgedehnt anzusehen hat.

Bei der Behandlung des Planetenproblems habe ich diese Grenzbedingungen in Gestalt folgender Annahme gewählt: Es ist möglich, ein Bezugssystem so zu wählen, daß sämtliche Gravitationspotentiale g_w im räumlich Unendlichen konstant werden. Es ist aber a priori durchaus nicht evident, daß man dieselben Grenzbedingungen ansetzen darf, wenn man größere Partien der Körperwelt ins Auge fassen will. Im folgenden sollen die Überlegungen angegeben werden, welche ich bisher über diese prinzipiell wichtige Frage angestellt habe.

§ 1. Die Newtonsche Theorie.

Es ist wohlbekannt, daß die Newtonsche Grenzbedingung des konstanten Limes für ϕ im räumlich Unendlichen zu der Auffassung hinführt, daß die Dichte der Materie im Unendlichen zu null wird. Wir denken uns nämlich, es lasse sich ein Ort im Weltraum finden, um den herum das Gravitationsfeld der Materie, im großen betrachtet, Kugelsymmetrie besitzt (Mittelpunkt). Dann folgt aus der Poissonschen Gleichung, daß die mittlere Dichte ρ rascher als $\frac{1}{r^2}$ mit wachsender Entfernung r vom Mittelpunkt zu null herabsinken muß, damit ϕ im



Universe dynamics, perturbations & cosmological parameters

From Einstein's equations:

Friedmann eq:

$$\frac{\dot{a}^2}{a^2} + \frac{k}{a^2} = \frac{8\pi G}{3}\rho \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{k}{H^2 a^2} = \Omega - 1$$

Scale parameter Hubble parameter Density parameter

Curvature

$$\Omega \equiv \frac{\rho}{\rho_c}$$

Acceleration eq:

$$\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = -\frac{4\pi G}{3}(\rho + 3P)$$

| Parameter | Symbol |
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| Reduced Hubble constant | h |
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| Density perturbations amplitude at k_* | $\ln(10^{10} A_s)$ |
| Density perturbations spectral index | n_s |
| Primordial tensor-to-scalar ratio at k_* | r |
| Ionization optical depth | τ |
| Bias parameter | b |
| Effective number of neutrinos | N_{eff} |
| Helium fraction | Y_{He} |
| Running of the spectral index | $dn_s/d \ln k$ |
| Dark energy equation of state parameters | w_0 |
| | w_a |
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| Age of the Universe | t_0 [Gyr] |
| RMS matter fluctuations in linear theory | σ_8 |
| Hubble constant | H_0 |



Perturbed Universe & cosmological parameters

- CDM is the dominant component in the evolution of perturbations, DE only contributes on a global level
- Over-dense regions where gravity is stronger than the background expansion can become denser and denser. DM halos can then form in the most overdense regions, followed by the cosmological structures we observe today through a **hierarchical formation** (i.e. smaller structures form first).

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How do you measure DE?



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Geometry of the Universe

Increases distances and volumes

Supernovae (SNe)
Standard candles

Gravitational wave (GW)
Standard sirens

Baryon Acoustic Oscillations (BAO)
Standard ruler

Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB)

Growth of cosmic structure

Suppresses the growth

Galaxy clustering

Gravitational lensing

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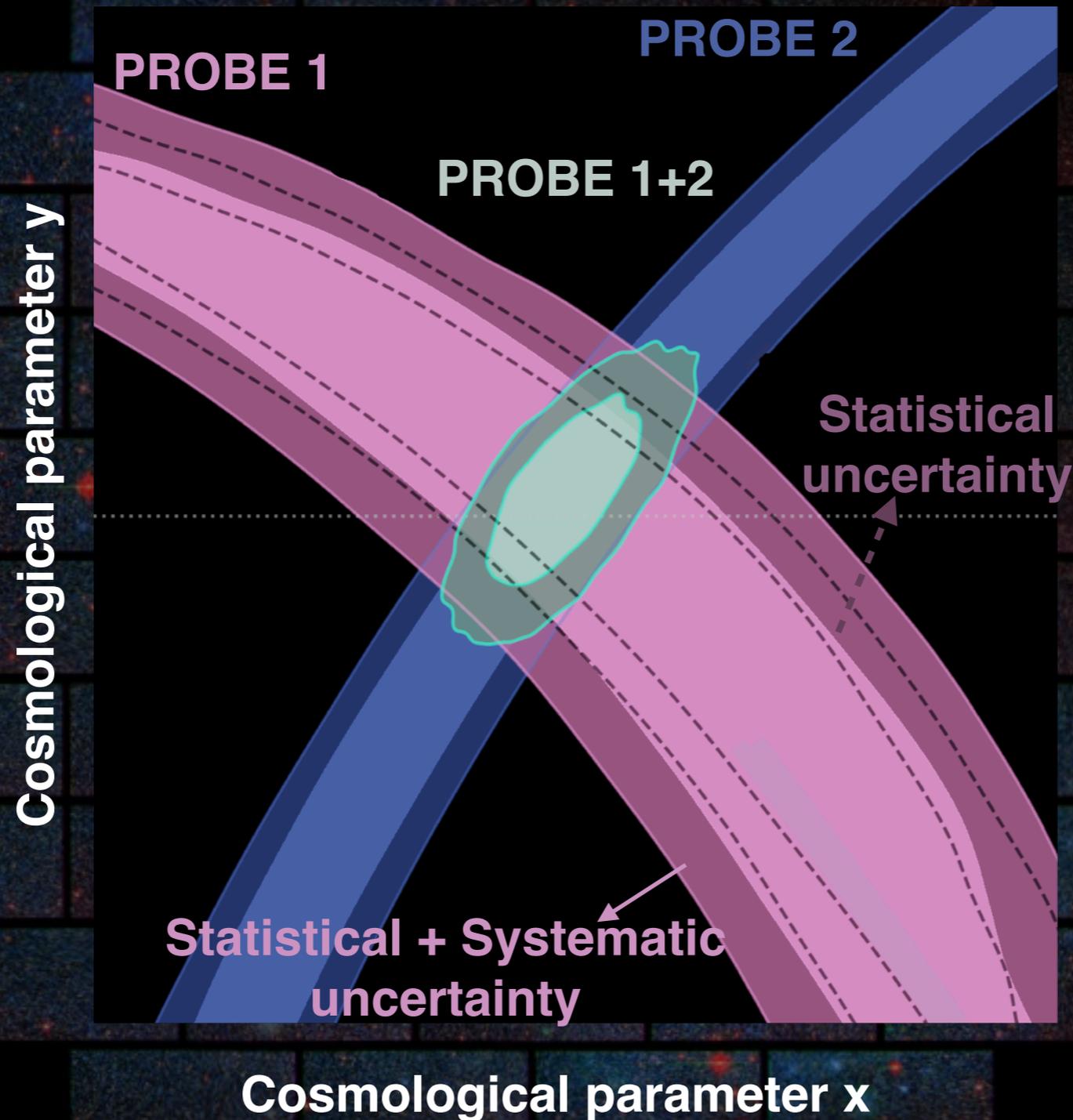
DES

The effects of DE can also be mimicked by variations in other cosmological components, other physical models, and systematics

With DE experiments, we are interested in **a set of cosmological parameters**, measured by **combining different, complementary probes/experiments**

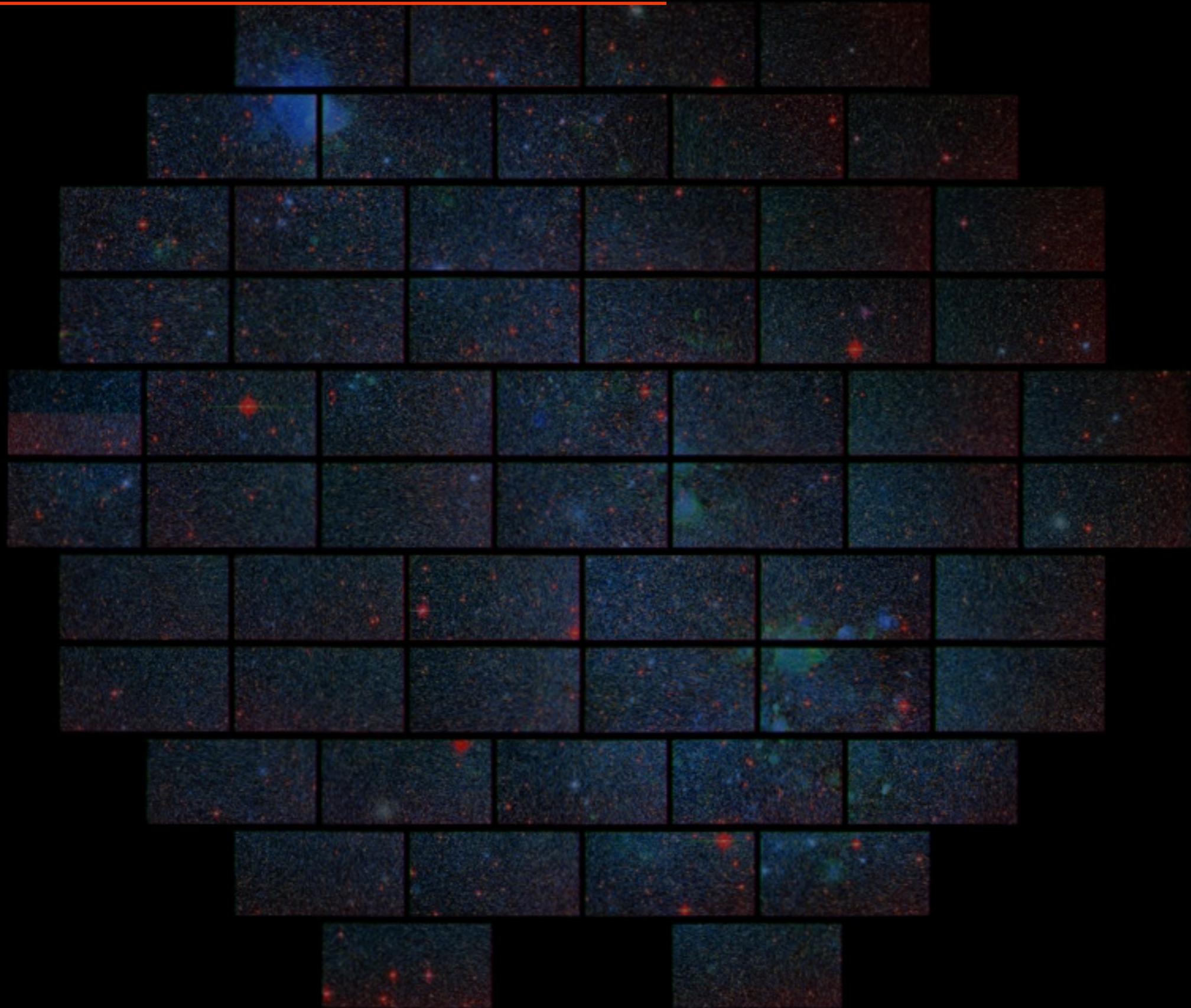
This is really cosmology = studying dark energy

Measuring cosmological parameters



- Ellipses/banana contours are region of the parameter space that are **allowed**
- Can shrink your statistical uncertainty by using more data

SNe Ia as standard candles

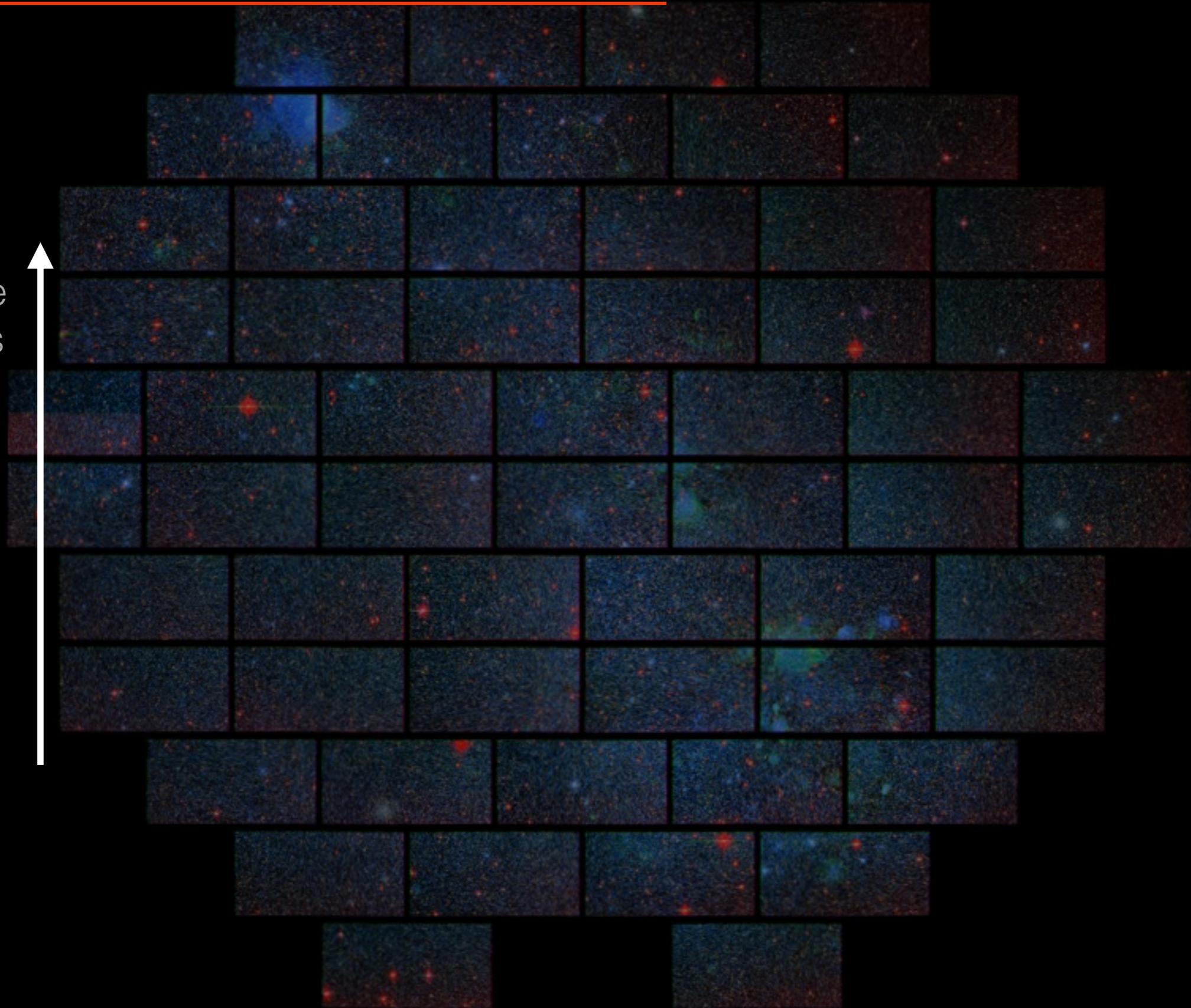


SNe Ia as standard candles



Distance
Modulus

d_L



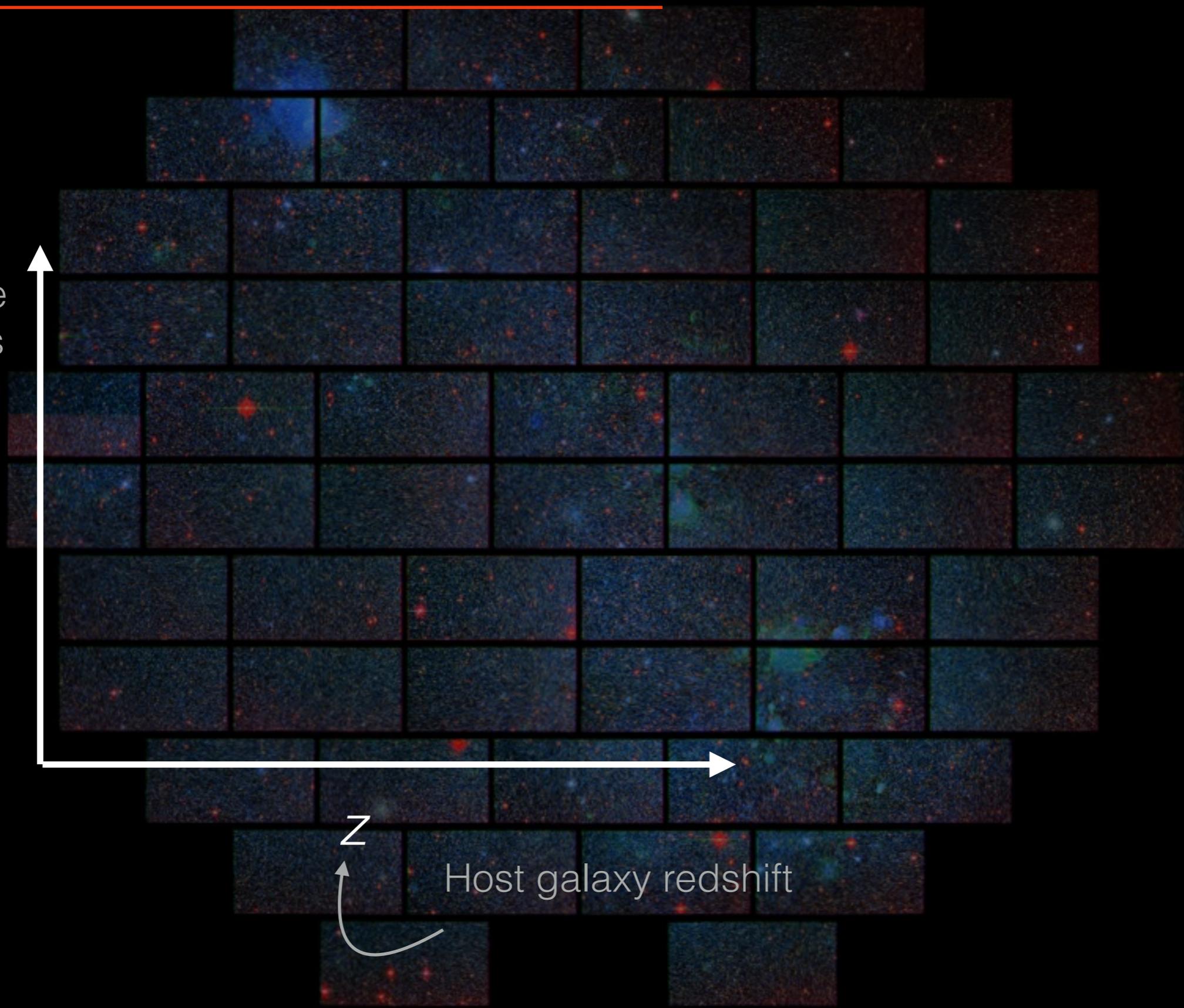
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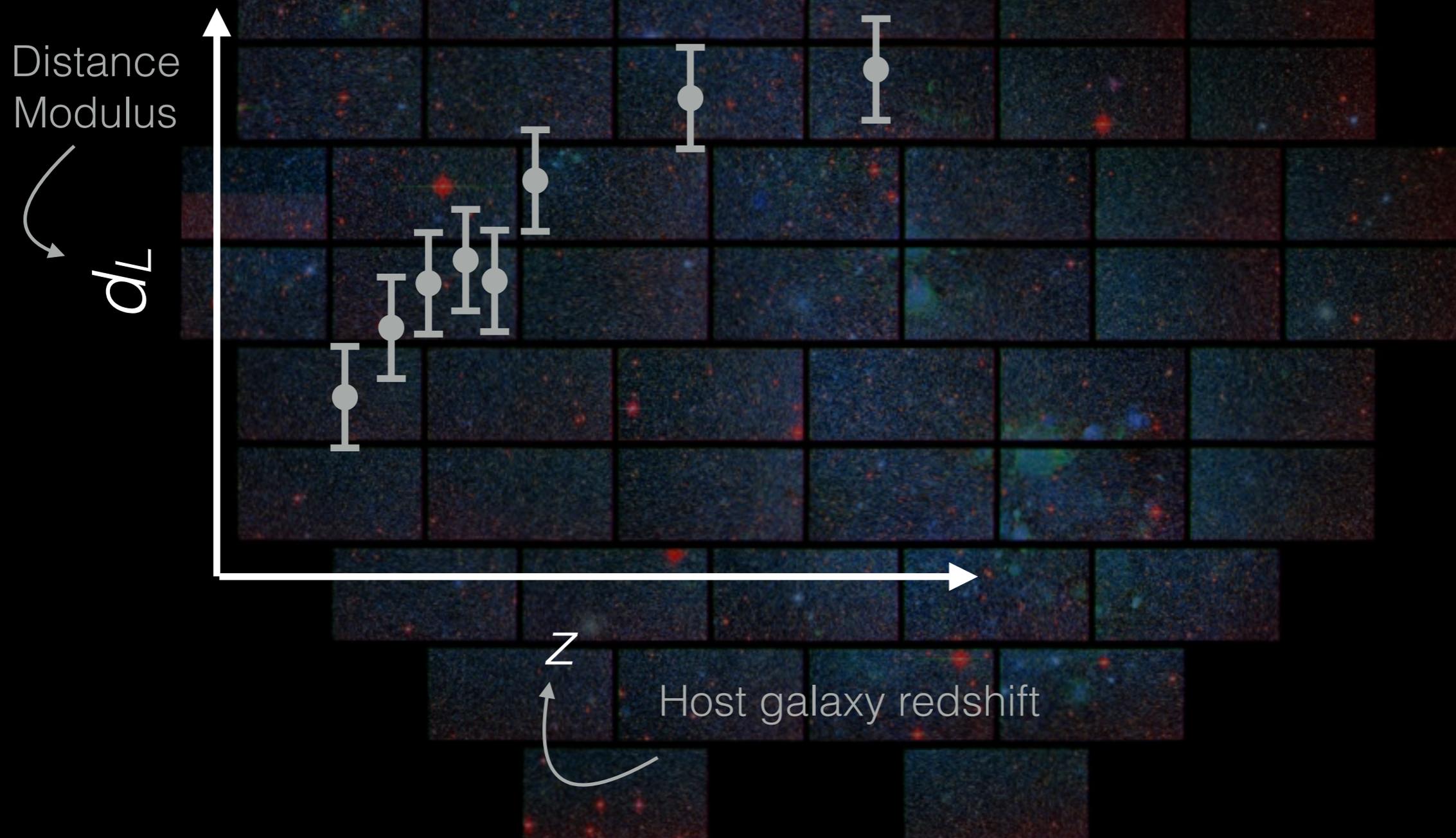
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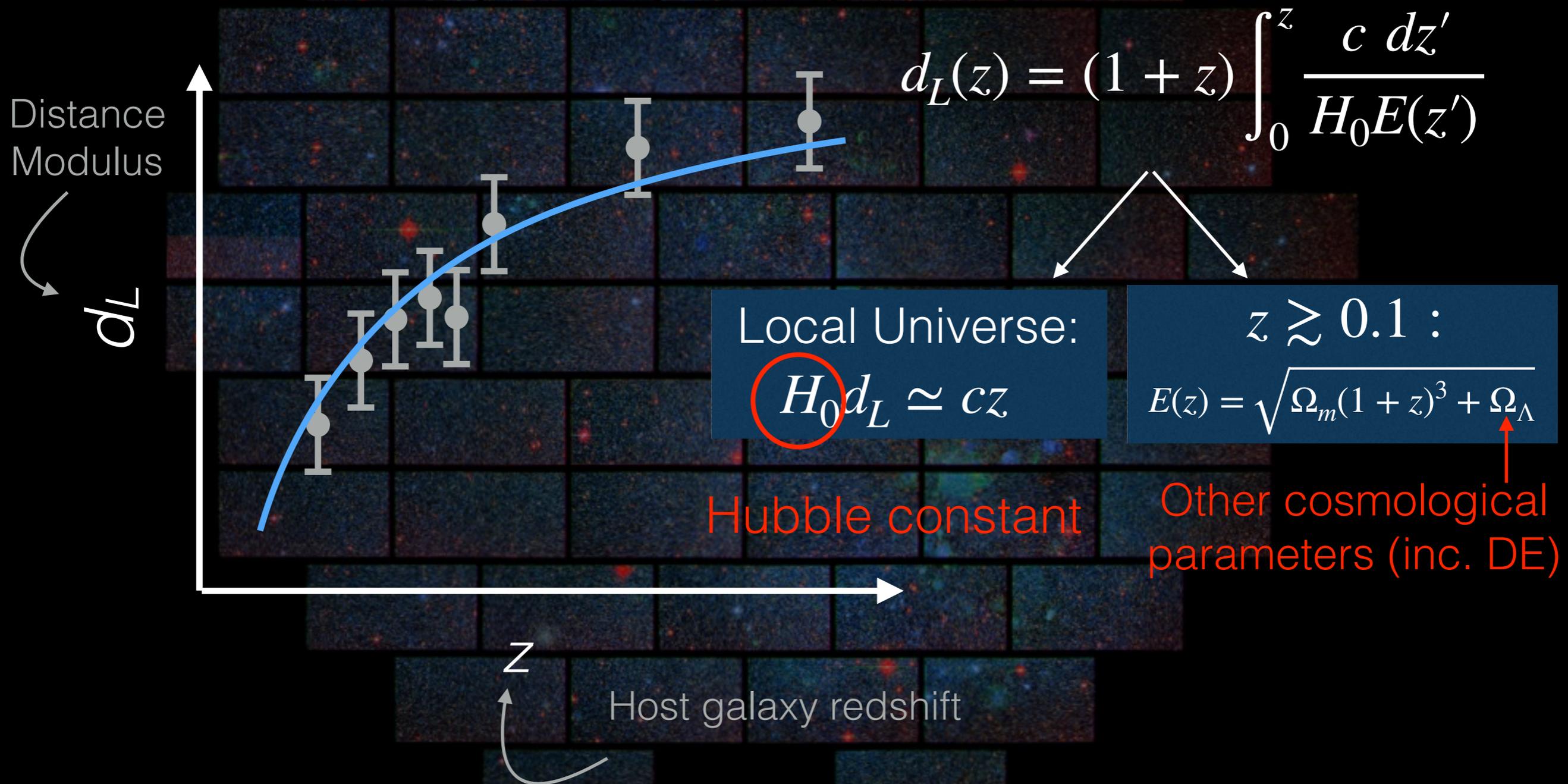
z
Host galaxy redshift



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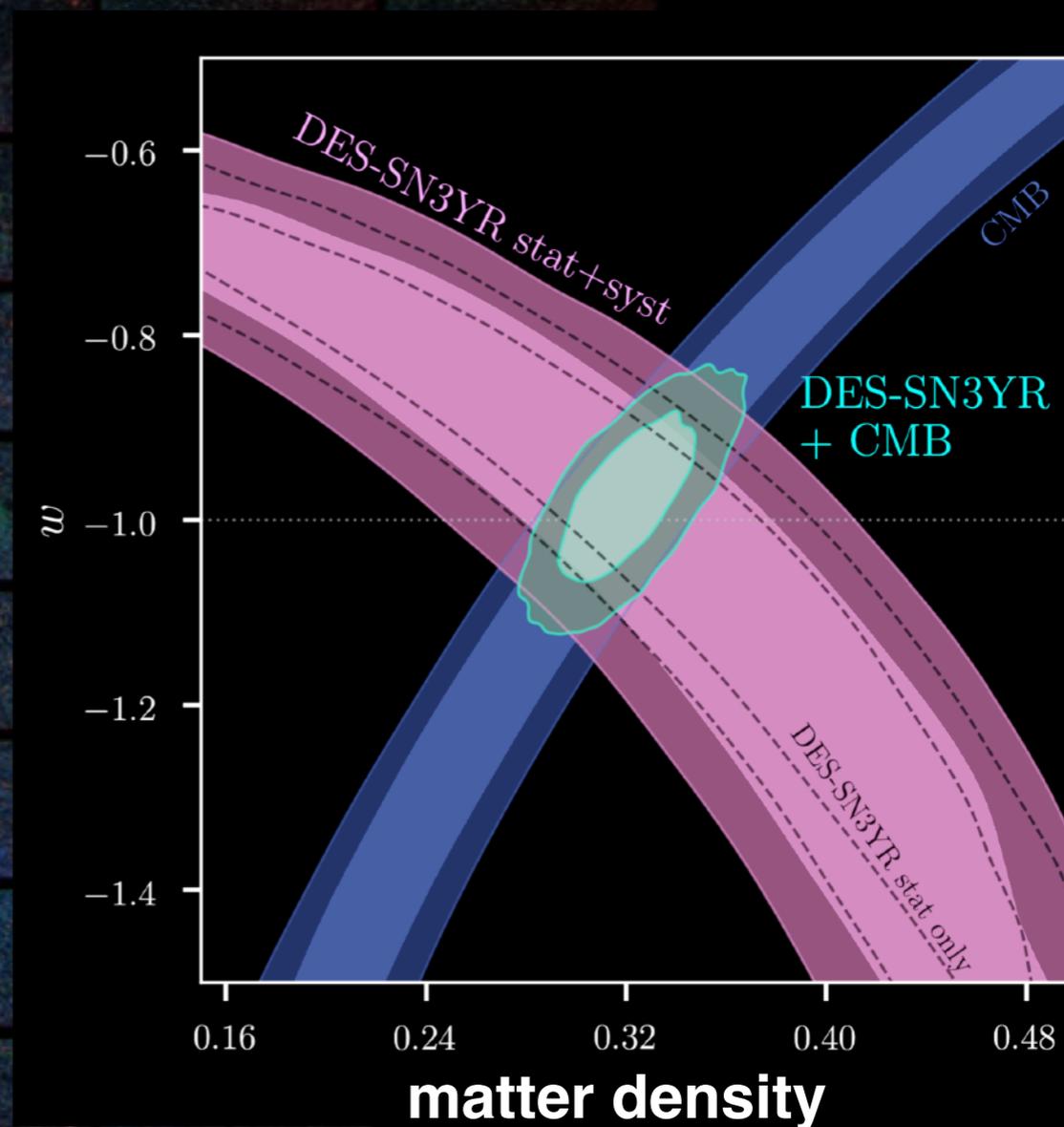


First DES Supernovae results



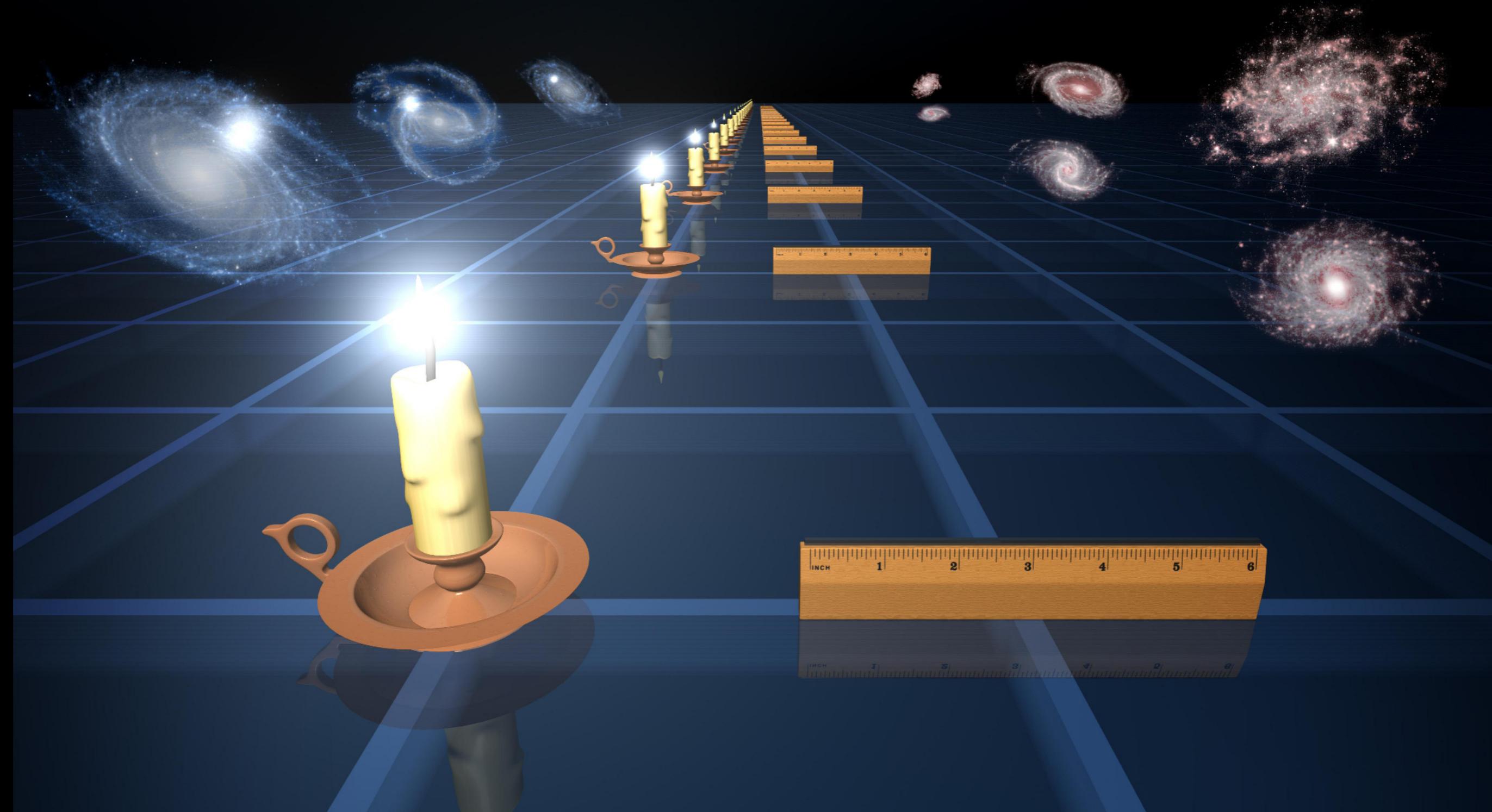
$$w = -0.978 \pm 0.059$$

- 207 DES Y3 spectroscopically confirmed SN
- ~10% of final DES sample
- Size < 1/3 state-of-the-art combined SN sample, w constraints only larger by 1.4x: remarkable DES light curves quality
- + low- z + Planck 2016
- Consistent with $w=-1$ (cosmological constant)



Supernovae & BAO

Fluctuations in the density of matter, caused by acoustic density waves in the primordial plasma

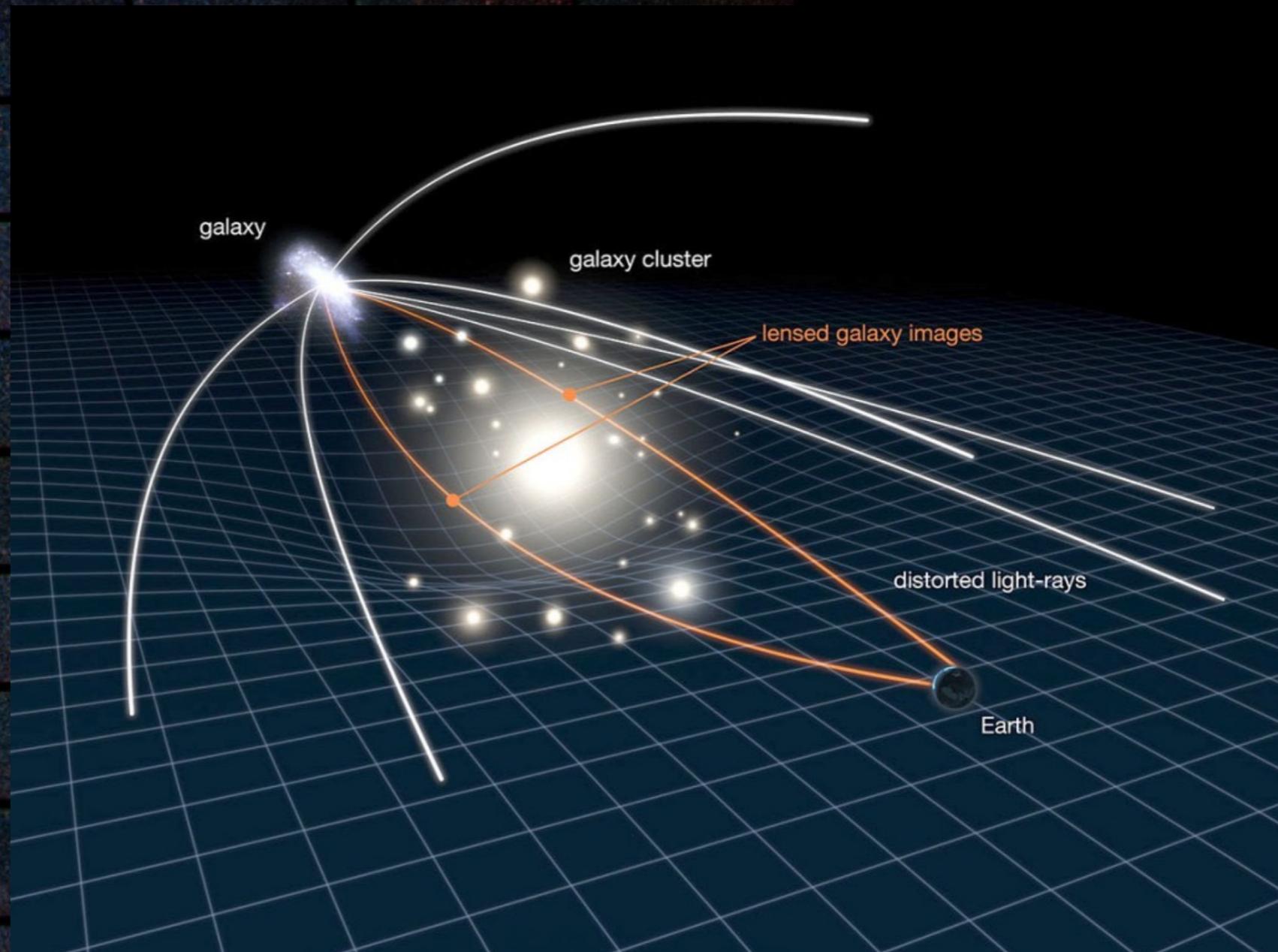


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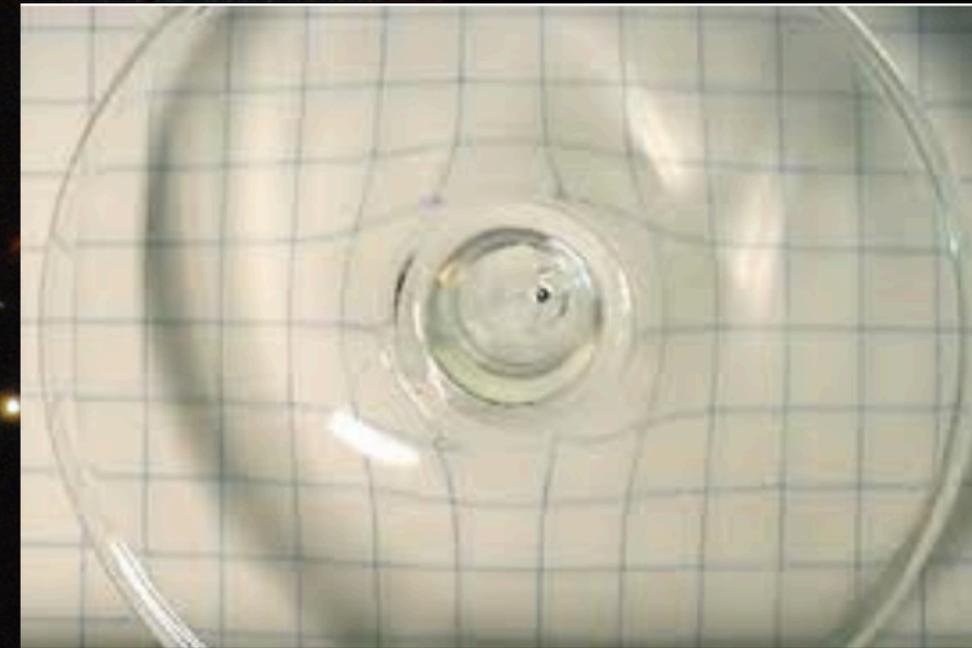


When light passes massive structures, it feels gravity and its path gets bent

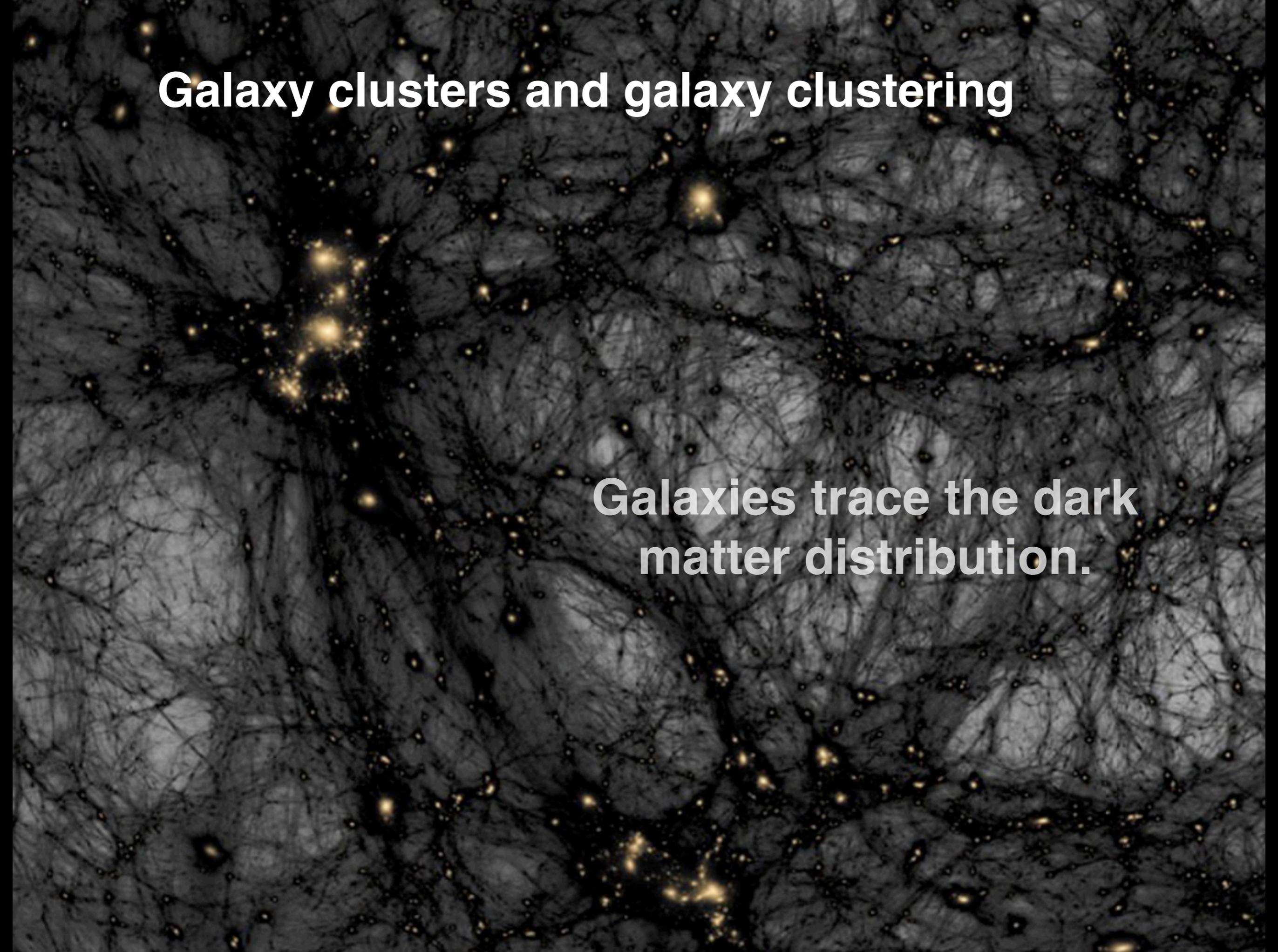
This causes shifting, and magnification, and shearing of the galaxy image



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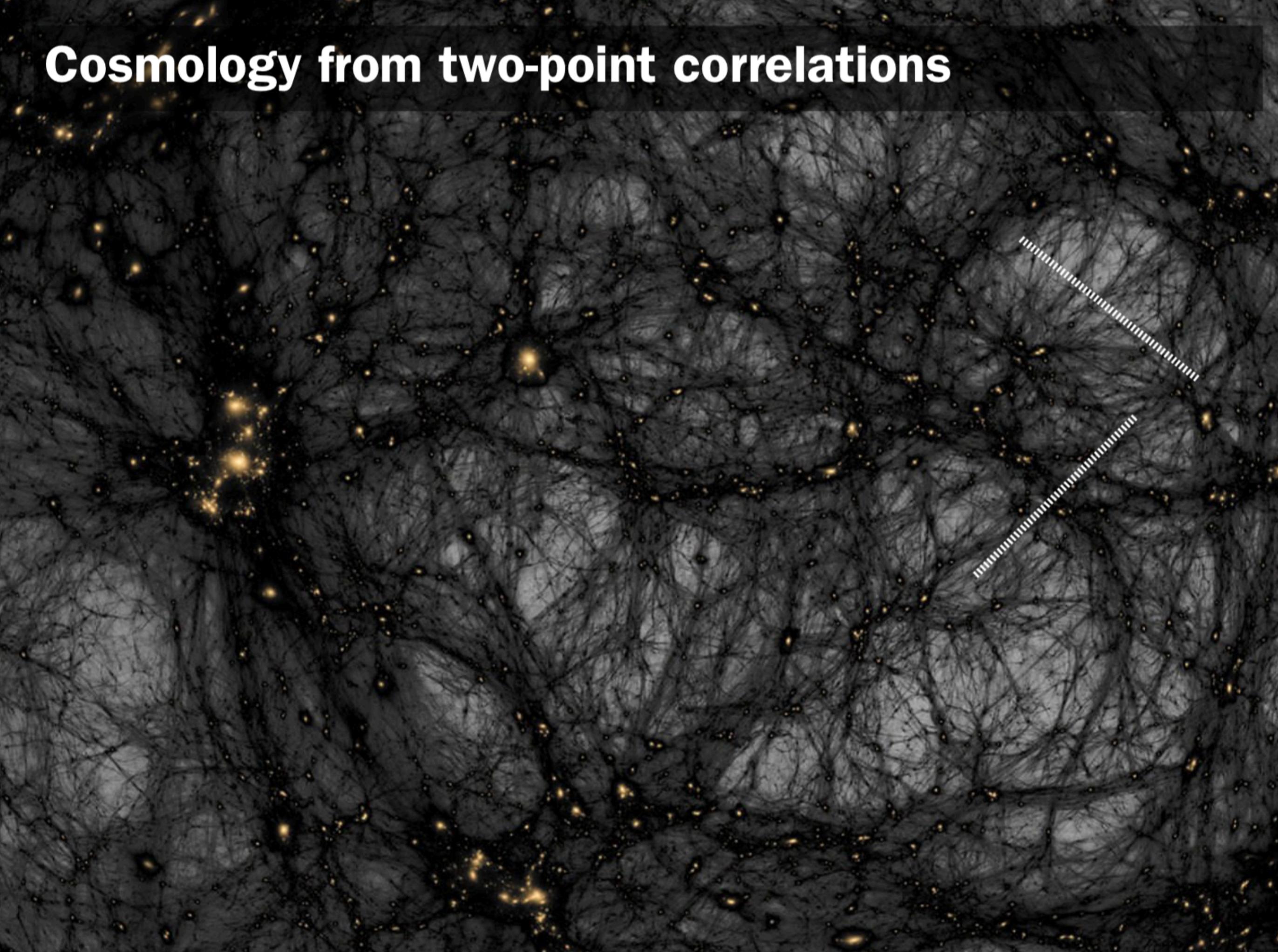


Galaxy clusters and galaxy clustering

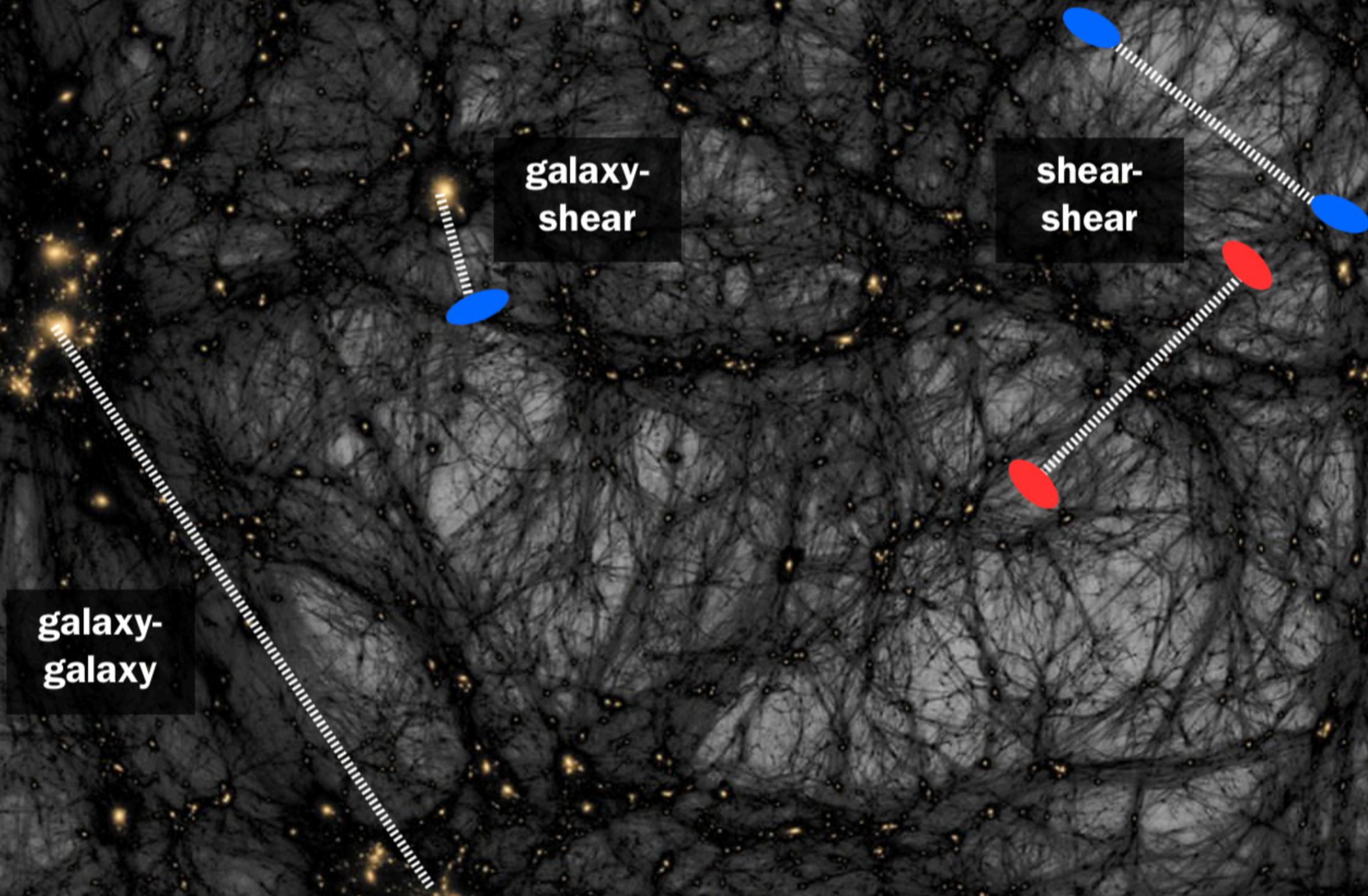


Galaxies trace the dark matter distribution.

Cosmology from two-point correlations



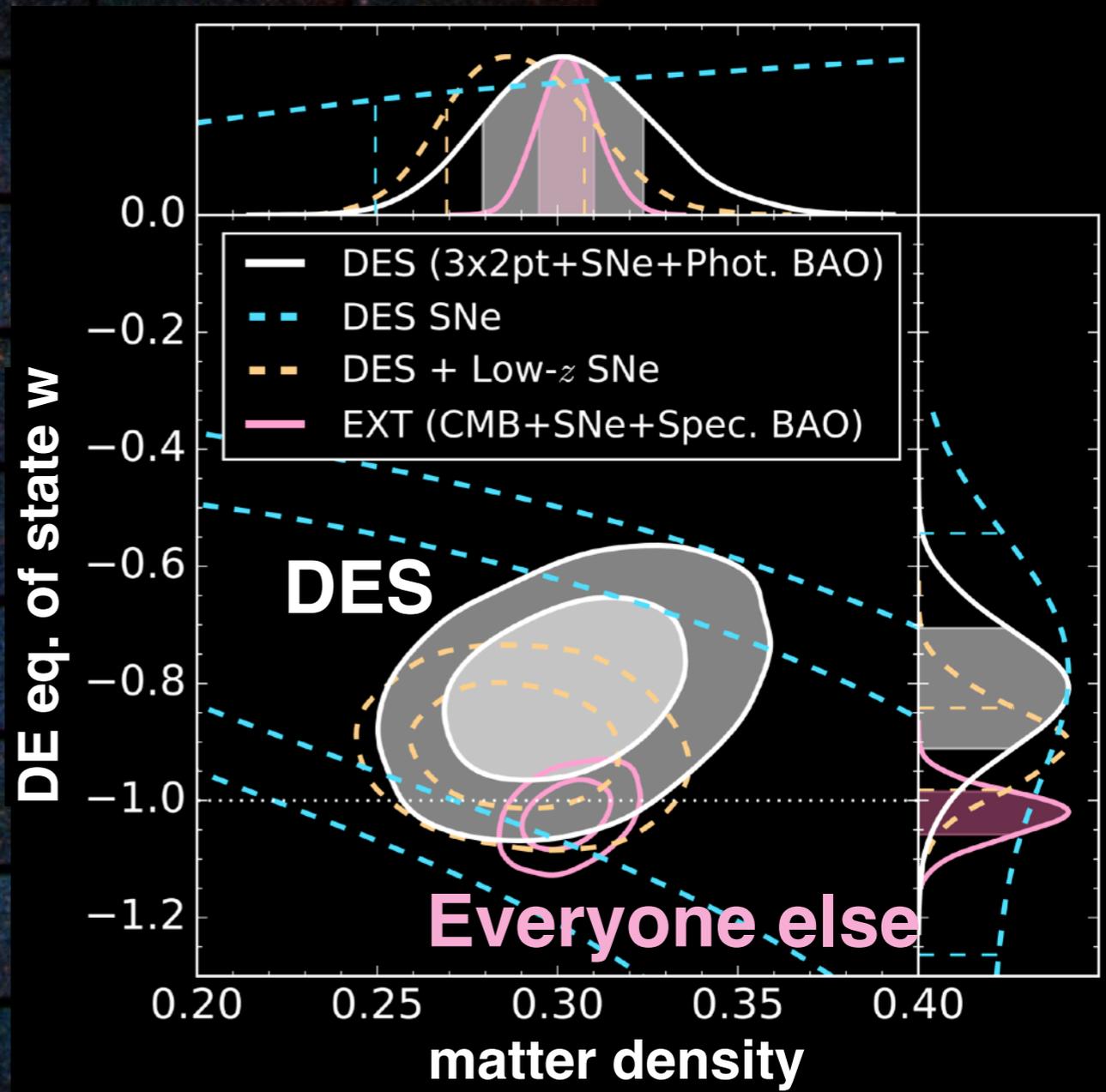
Cosmology from two-point correlations: 3x2pt



DES vs the rest



- DES Y1 3x2pt (weak lensing+clustering) & BAO + Y3 SNe
- Consistent with flat LCDM
- First photometric experiment **rule out a Universe with no Dark Energy by itself**

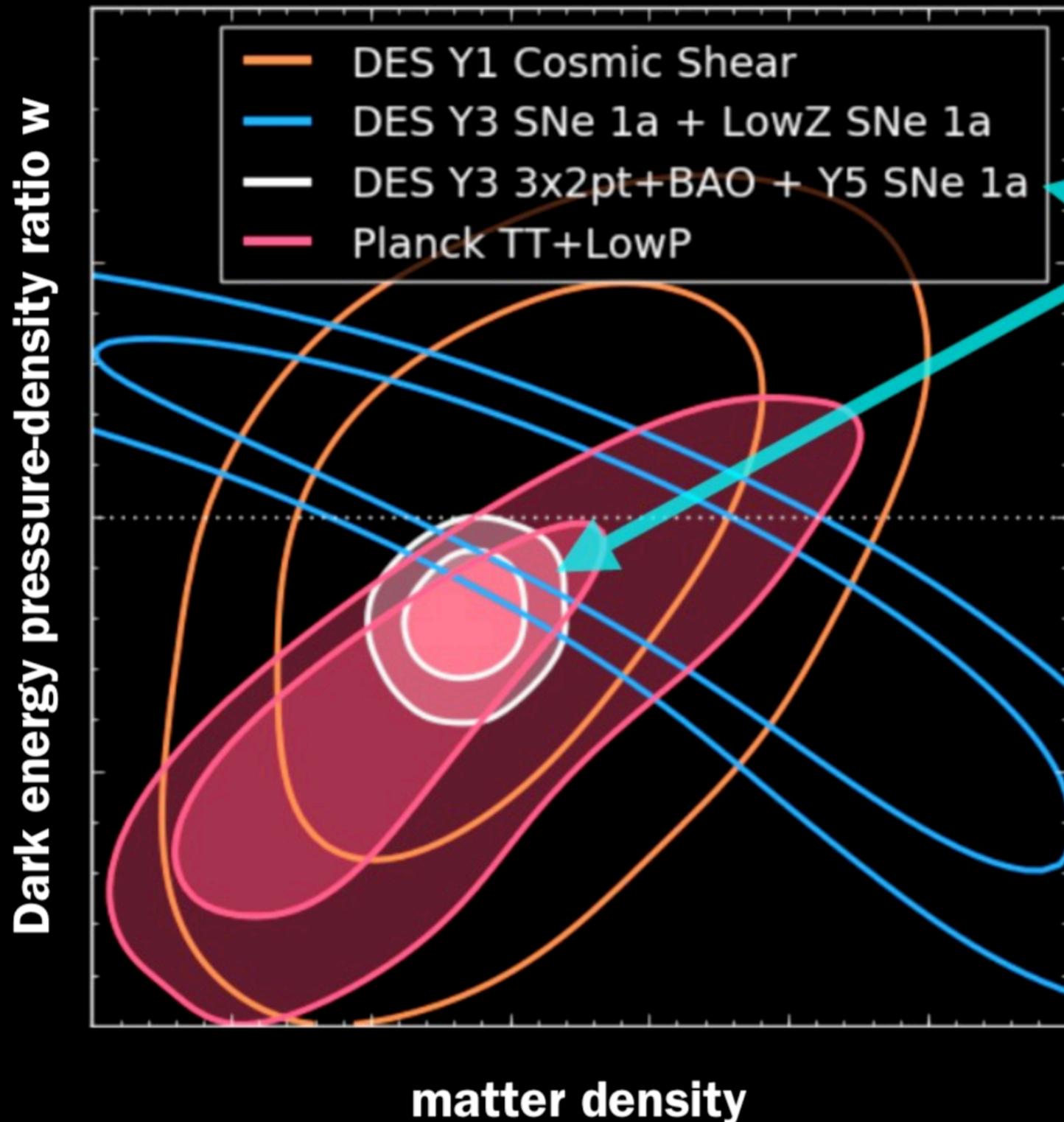


DES 2019 1811.02375



DES Y3/Y5 projections

Fermilab highly involved in Y3 cluster cosmology



Projection based on statistical and analysis improvement - **not data**

Contour position is artificial

- **More constraining than current CMB measurements of these parameters** (historically, the most powerful cosmic probe)
- **Y5/Y5 analysis** will be even more constraining!

Figure: Michael Troxel



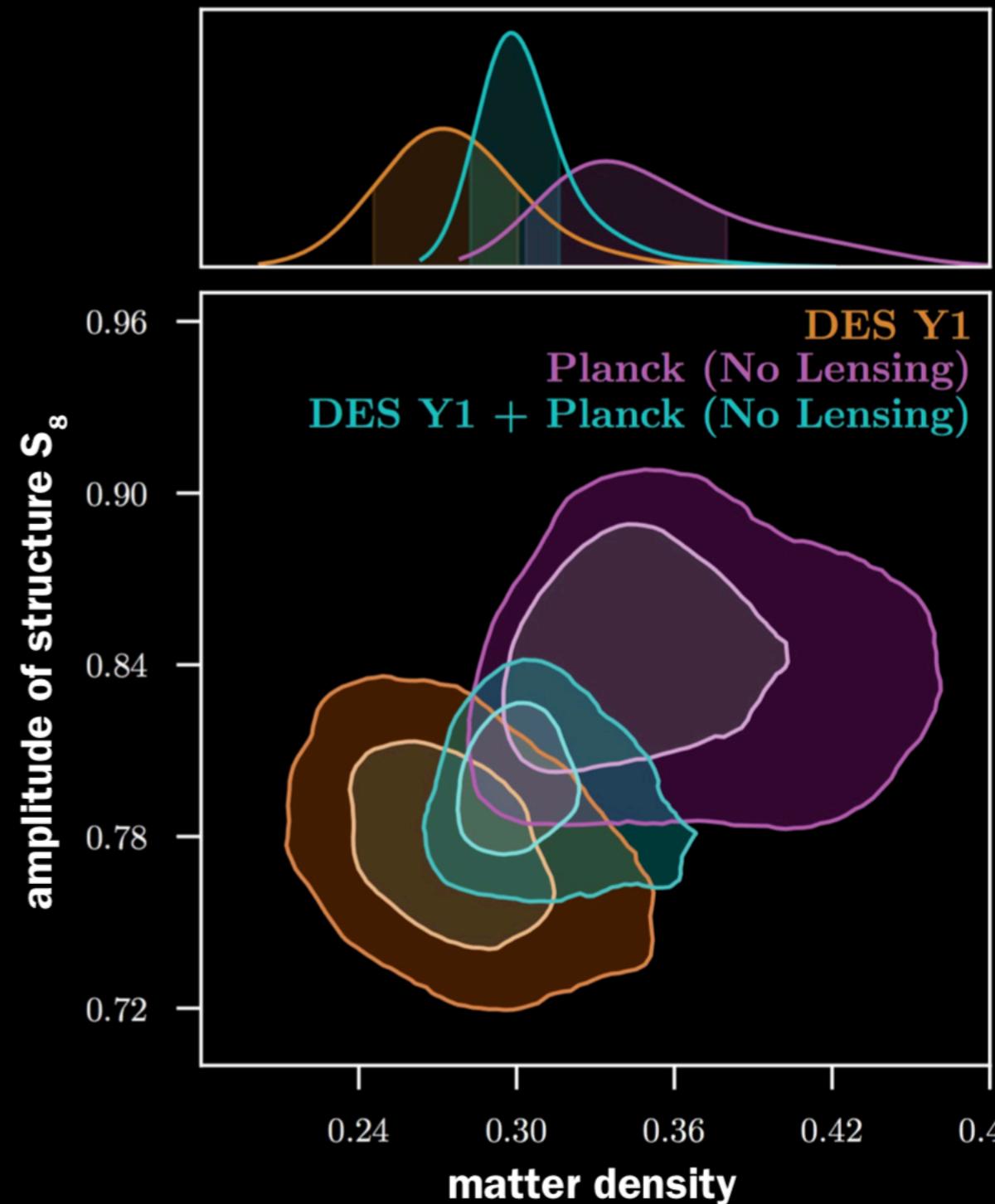
Is the Universe boring?

We may just keep on measuring Lambda to higher precision without understanding what it is.
it is.

Game of tensions pt 1



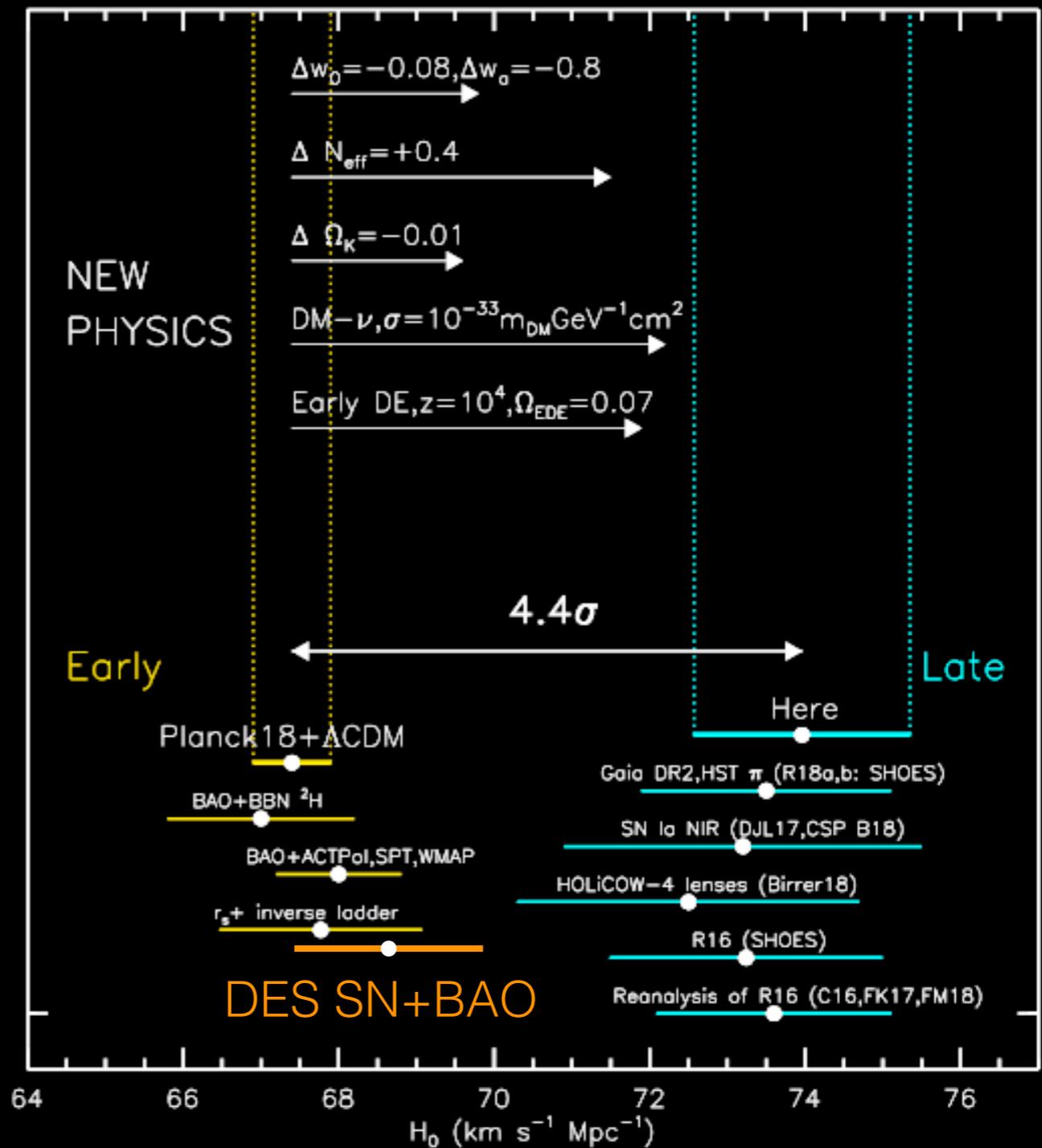
- DES Y1 & CMB (most powerful cosmic probe, historically) measure matter density and S_8 with equal strength
- **Mild visual tension**
- **Future DES measurements** will be able to confirm consistency or show tension

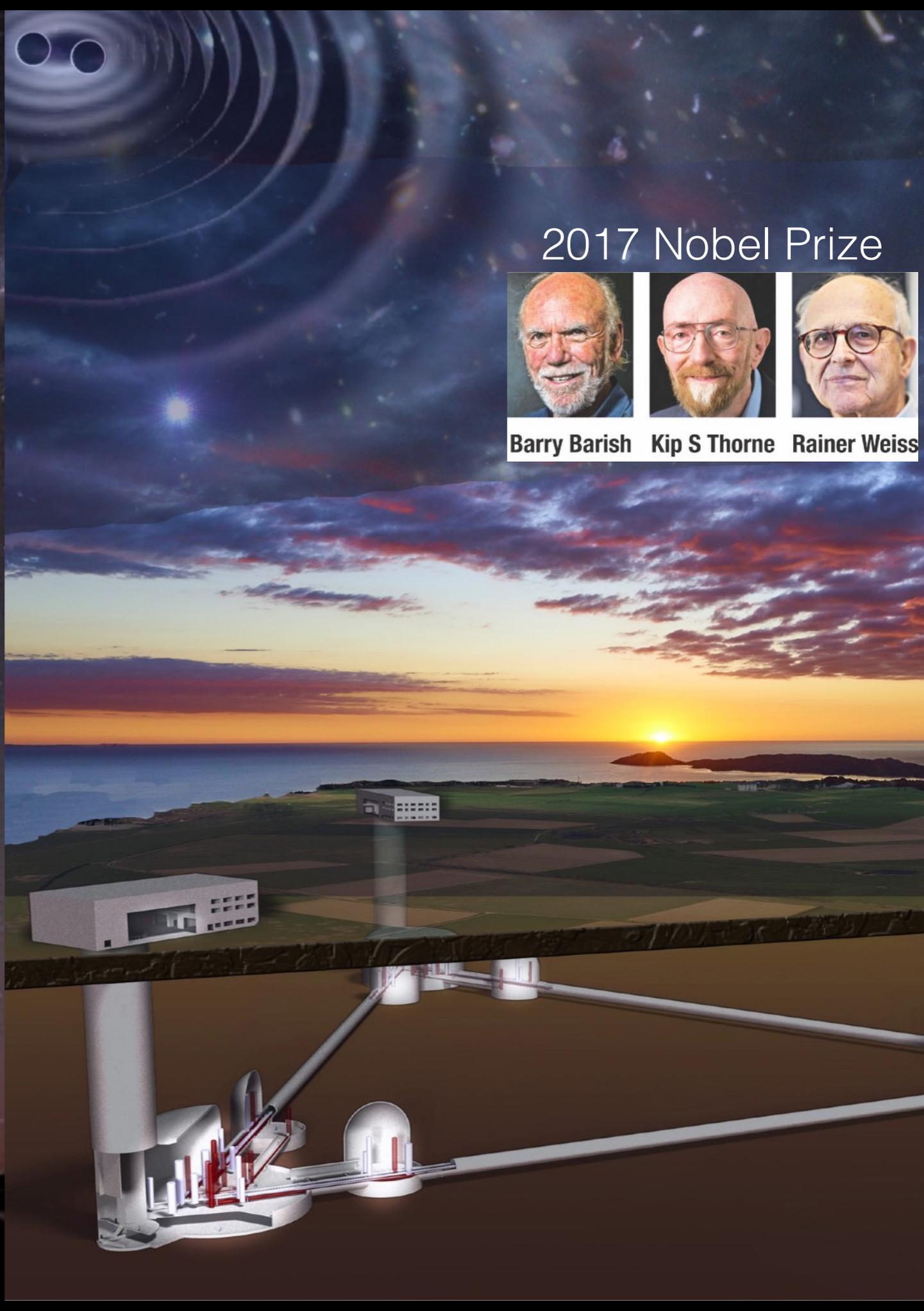


Hubble constant tension



- **4.4 sigma discrepancy** between early and late time Universe measurements
- Systematics or new physics?

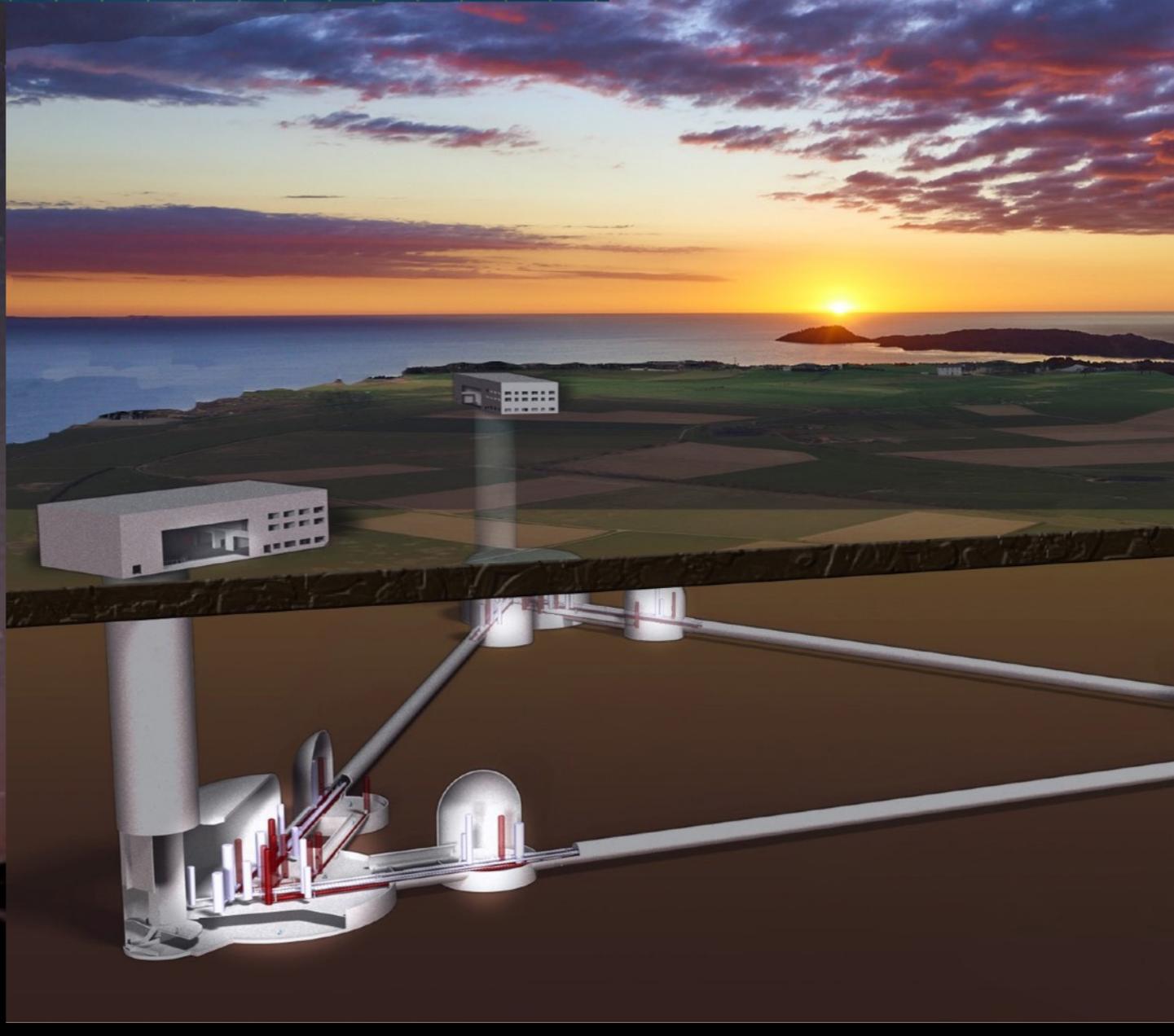
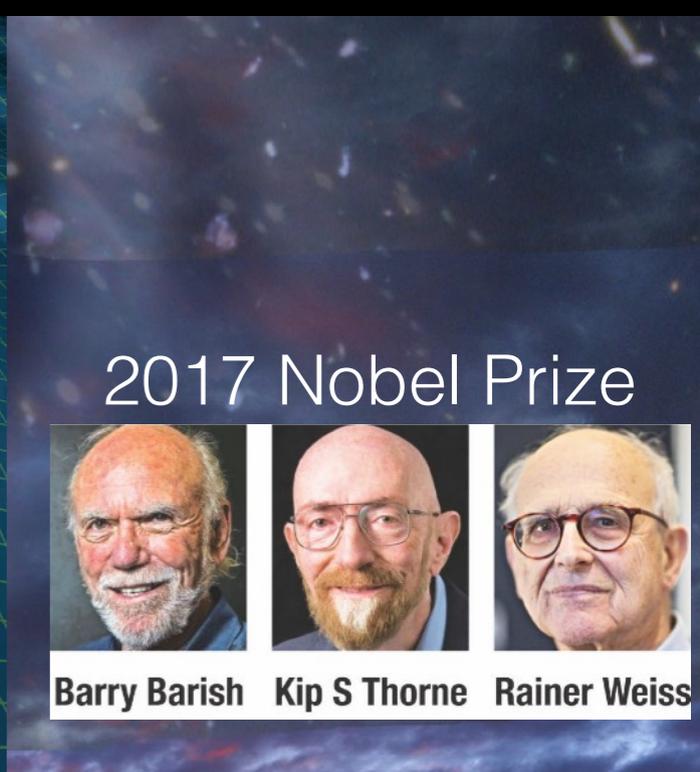
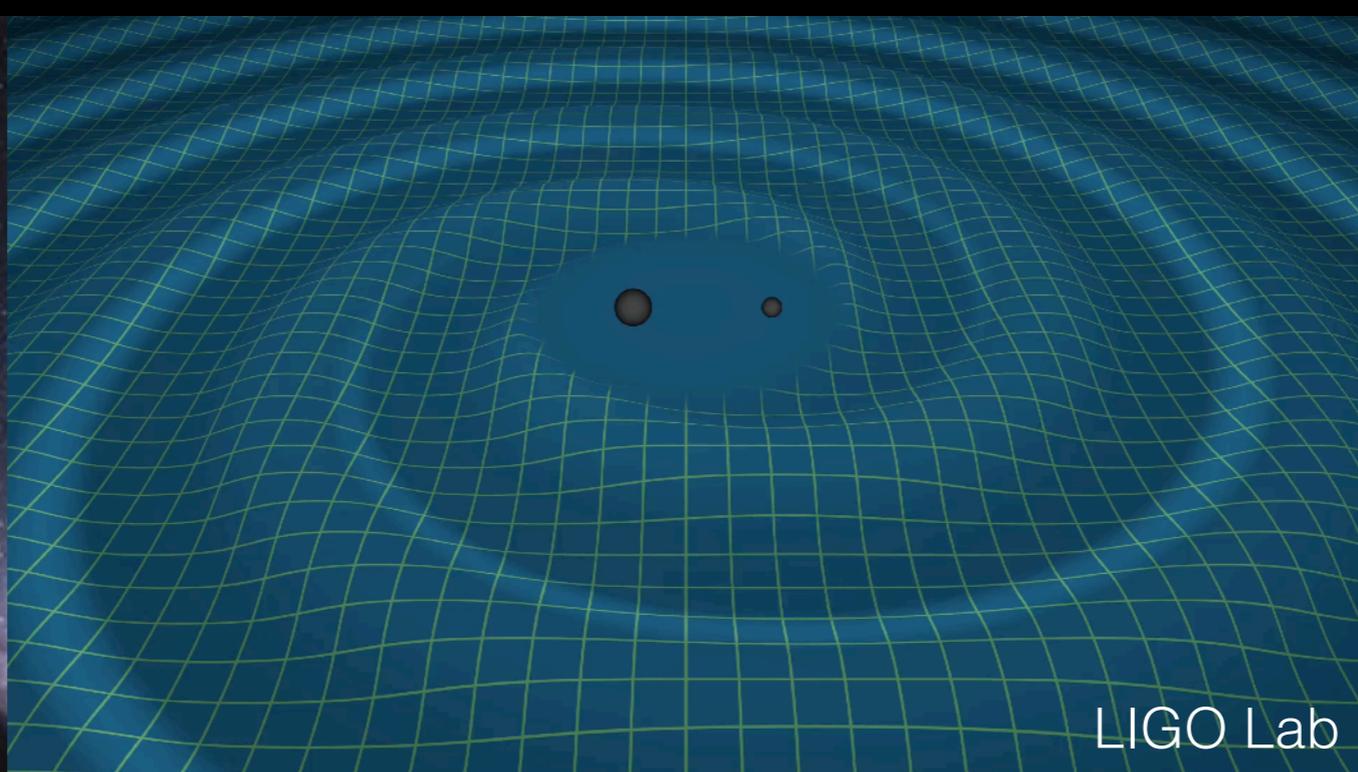
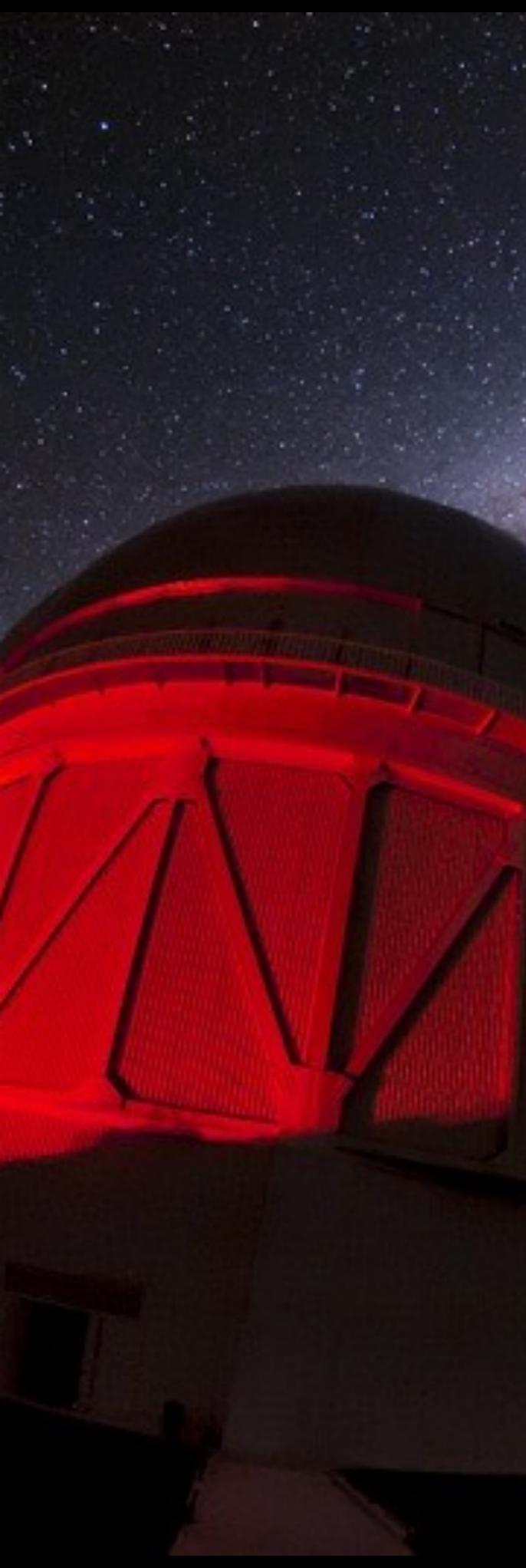




2017 Nobel Prize



Barry Barish Kip S Thorne Rainer Weiss



GW170817 & the first kilonova



- The first confirmed collision between two neutron stars
- First GW+EM detection
- Source of heaviest elements



Standard sirens



Unique host galaxy

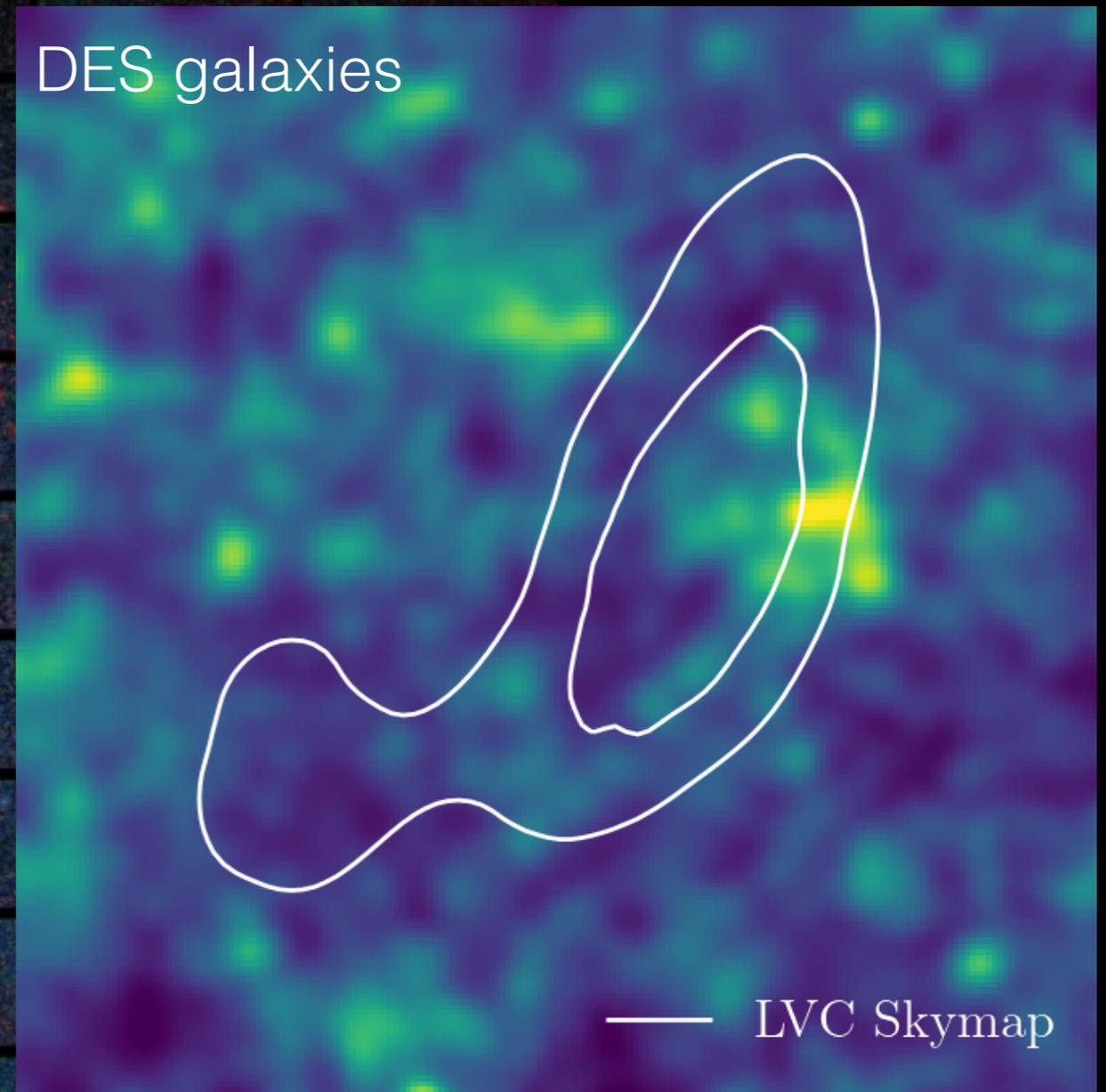
No EM counterpart: potential host galaxies

GW170817
DECam observation
(0.5–1.5 days post merger)



Bright sirens

DES galaxies



Dark sirens



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Exploring 14 billion years of cosmic history

As we narrow down the possibilities and allowed theoretical models, the hope is that one day we will be able to understand dark energy.





Back-up slides

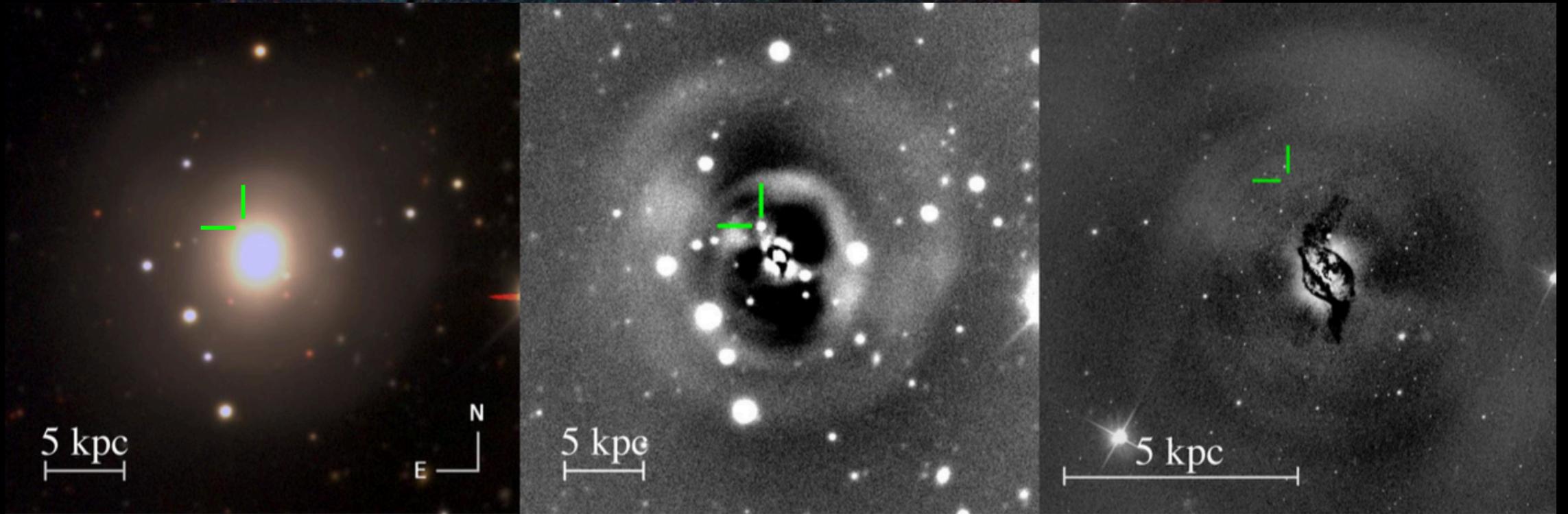
Host galaxy of GW170817



DECam

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HST

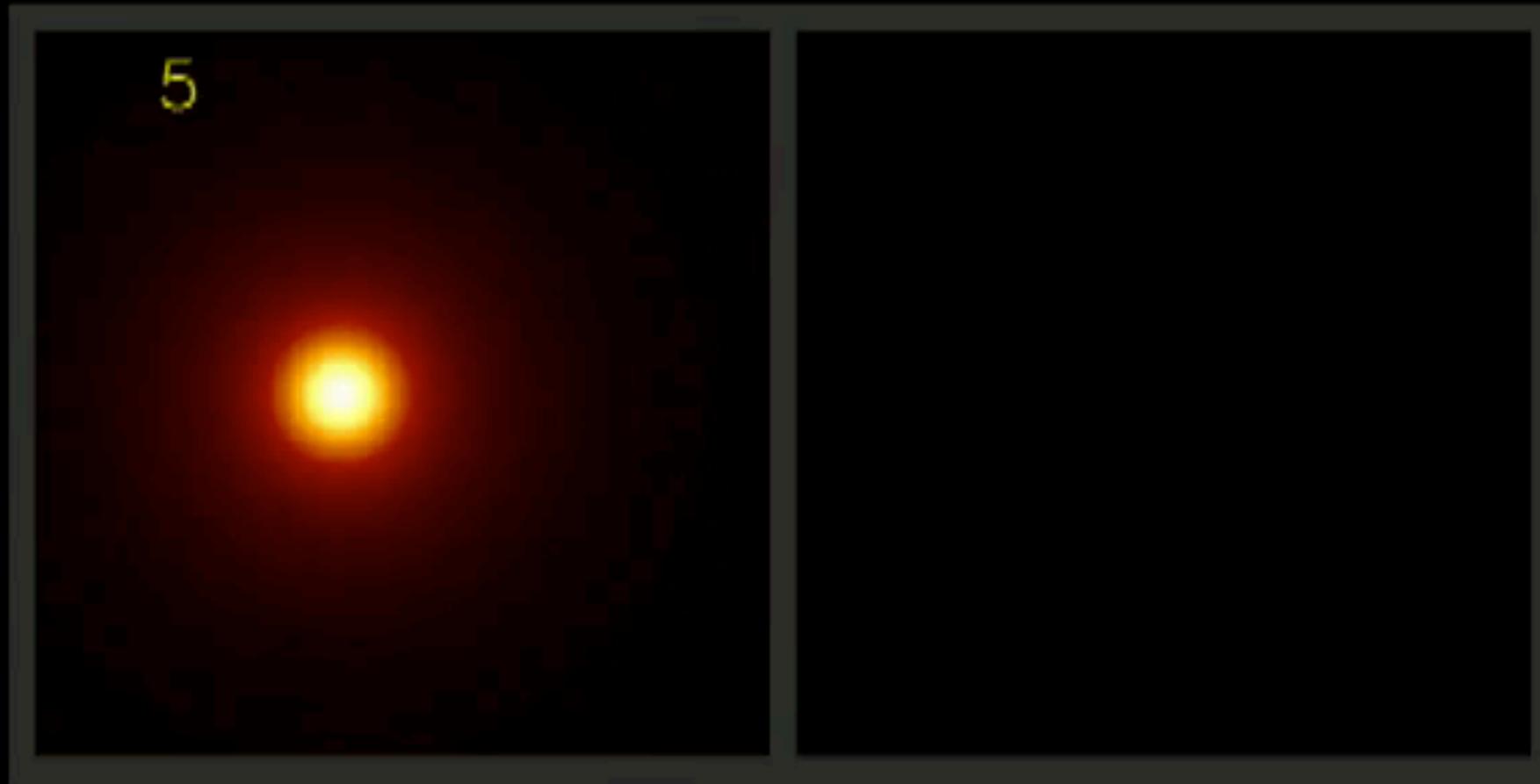


Suggest that galaxy mergers can boost the formation/merging of binary neutron stars

NGC 4993: a recent galaxy merger

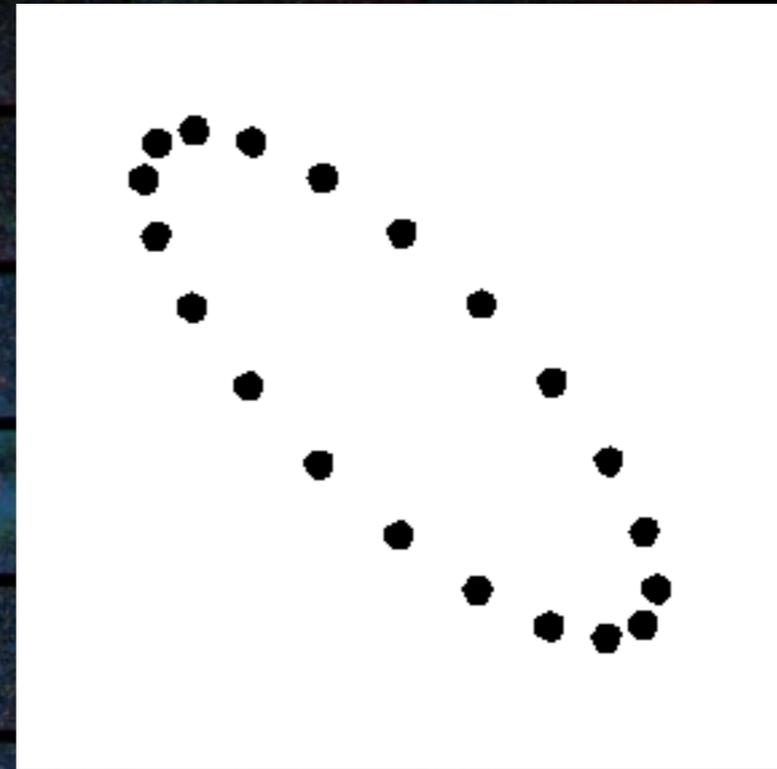
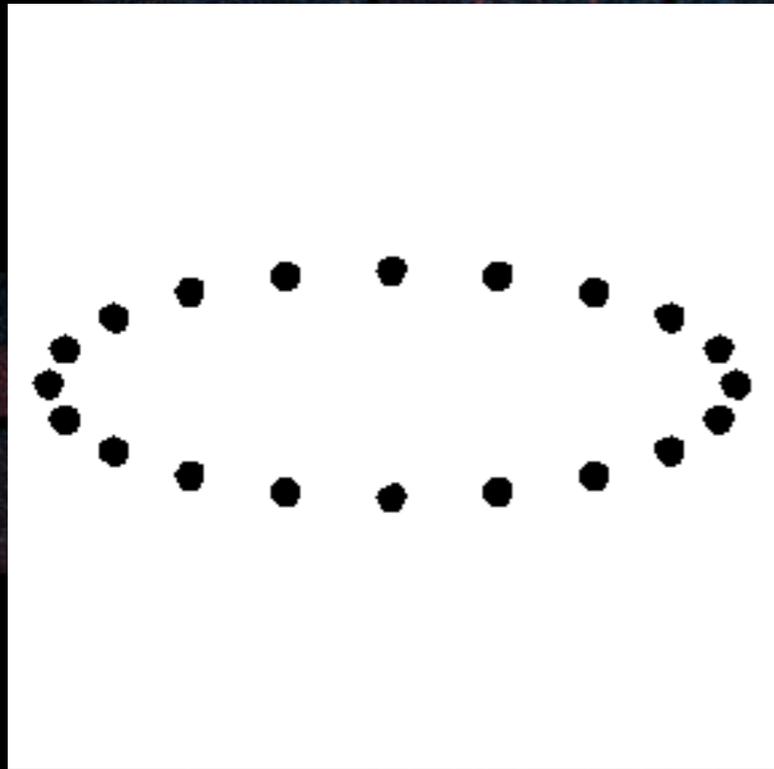


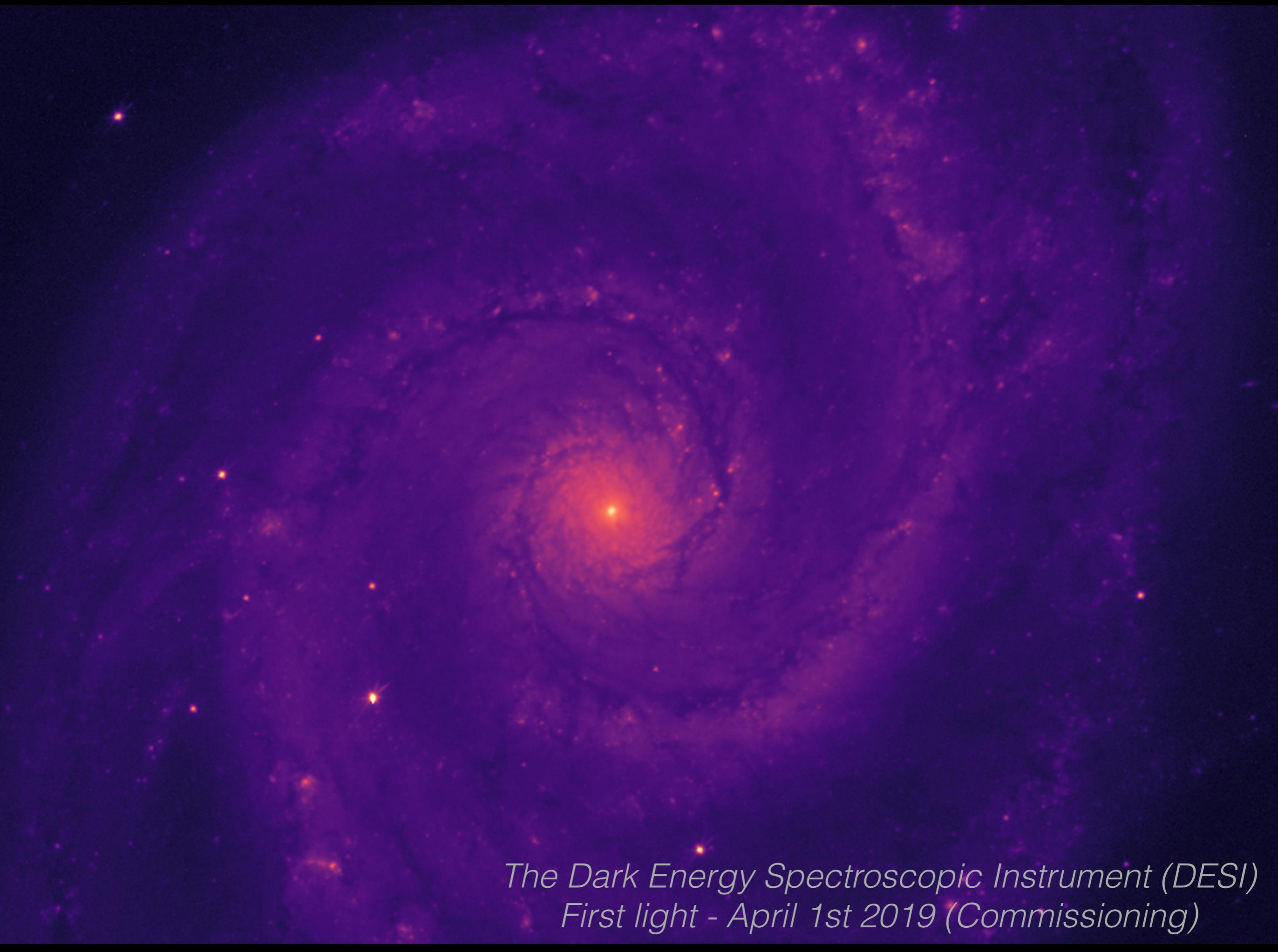
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Shells are arcs of enhanced surface brightness corresponding to higher stellar densities, relics of a galaxy merger

Gravitational waves





*The Dark Energy Spectroscopic Instrument (DESI)
First light - April 1st 2019 (Commissioning)*

DESI



Dark Energy Spectroscopic Instrument



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- ★ **5000 fibers** spectrograph at Kitt Peak (AZ)
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DESI



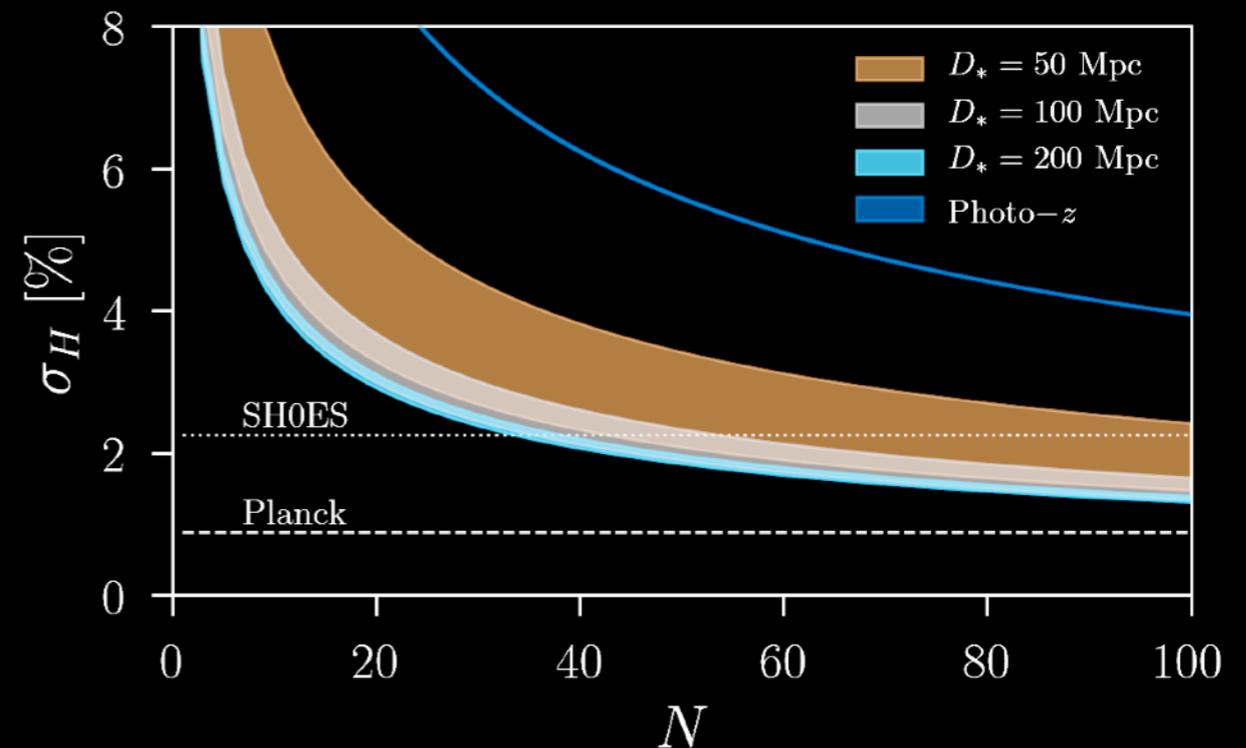
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Prospects for standard sirens:

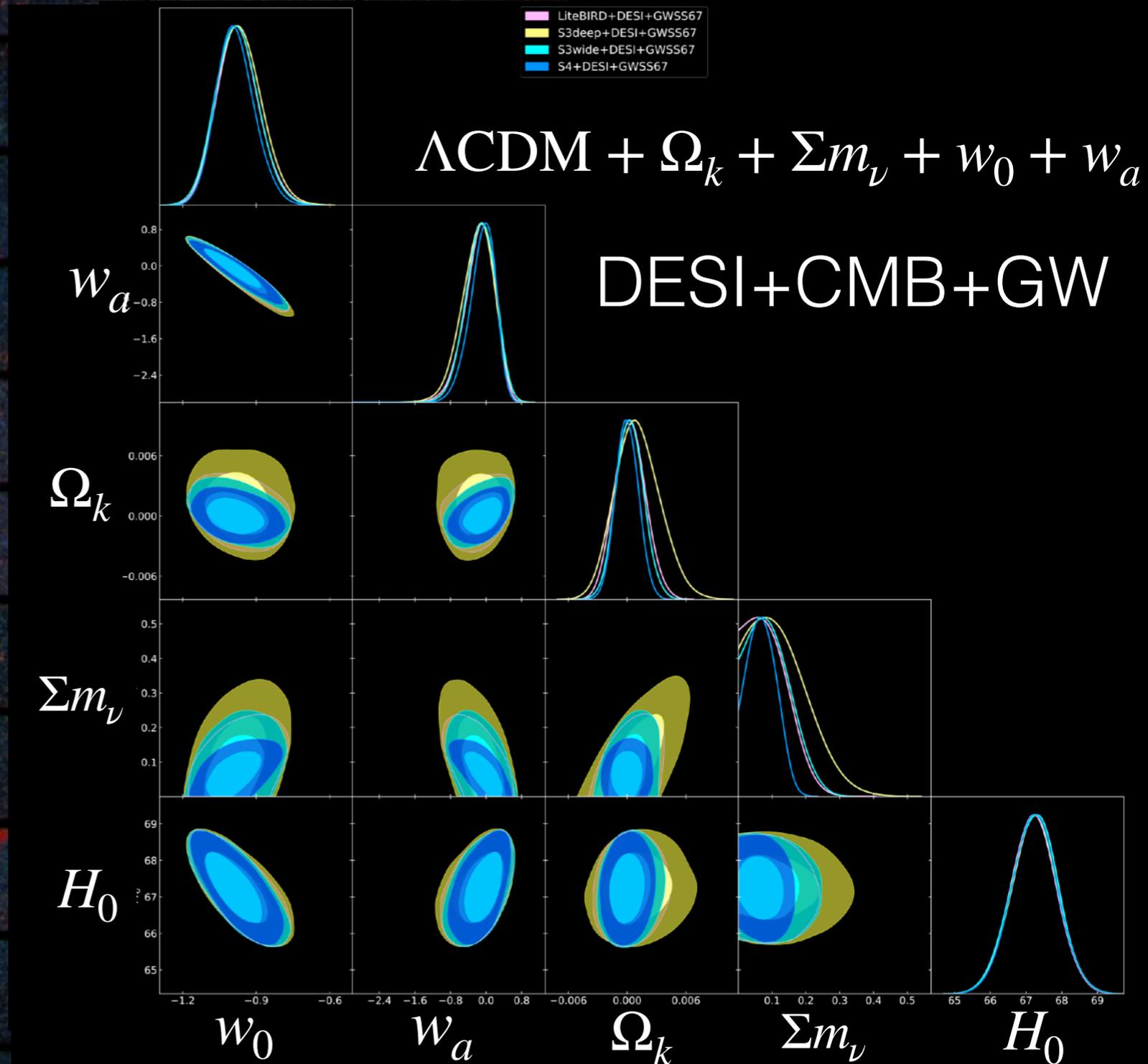
- **Bright sirens:**
Host galaxy redshift and peculiar velocities
- **Dark sirens:**
More precise-end of forecasts



Combining DE experiments



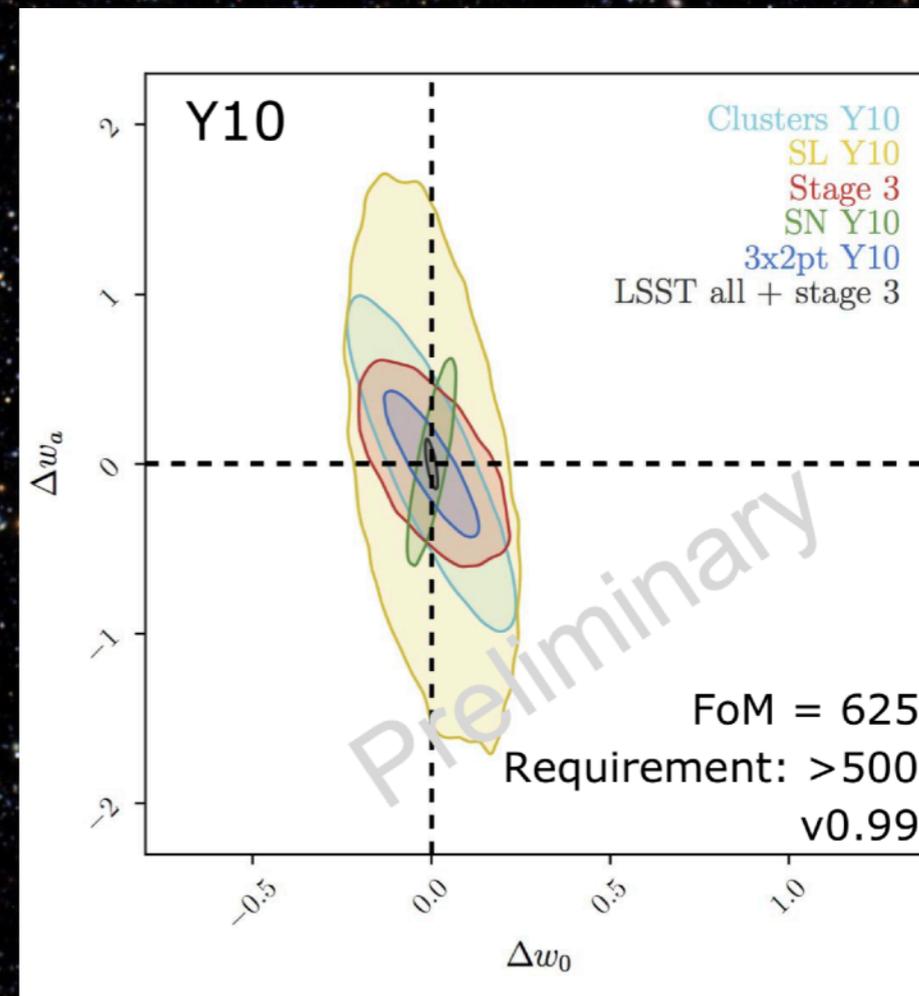
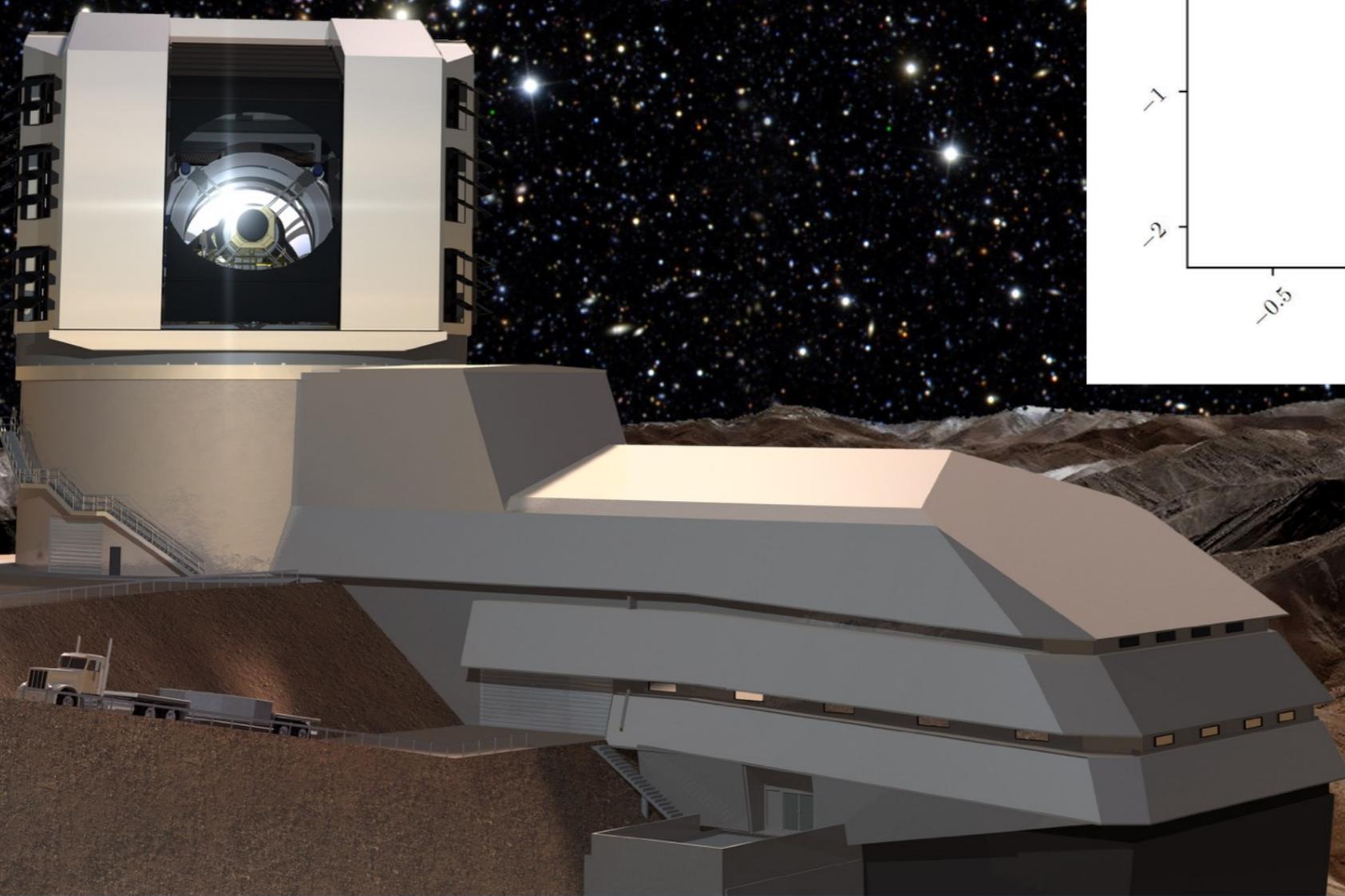
- Combining upcoming GW H_0 constraints + future CMB + BAO significantly **improves constraints beyond Λ CDM**
- Factor up to 3 improvement on dynamical DE parameters
- In a few years from now: DES Y5+DES-GW?



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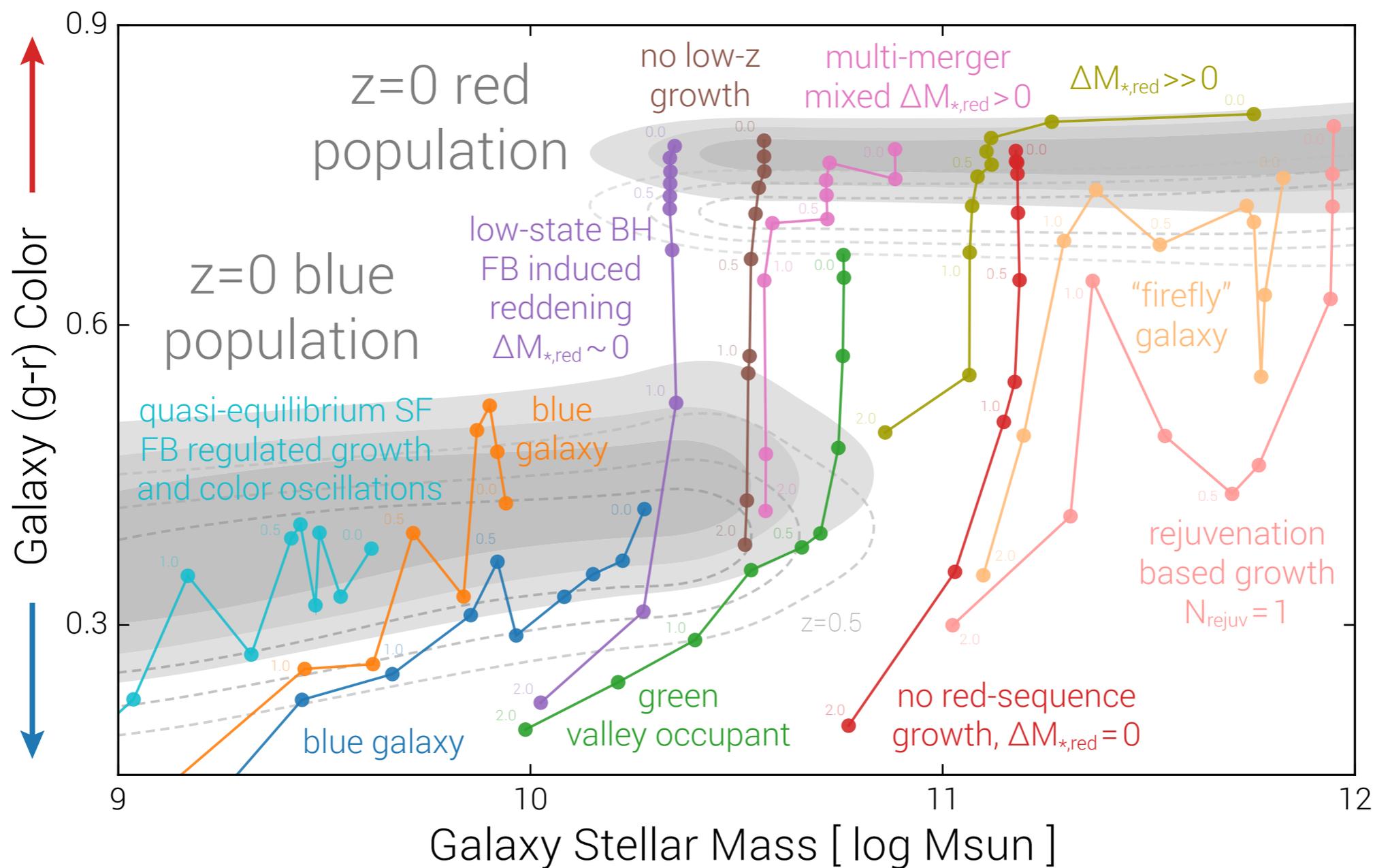
Large Synoptic Survey Telescope

- 10 deg FoV
- Entire Southern sky every few nights
- FoM improvement by factor ~ 10 compared to Stage-III



Credit: Collett et al.

Galaxy evolution



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