

Dark Energy with future $z > 2$ surveys

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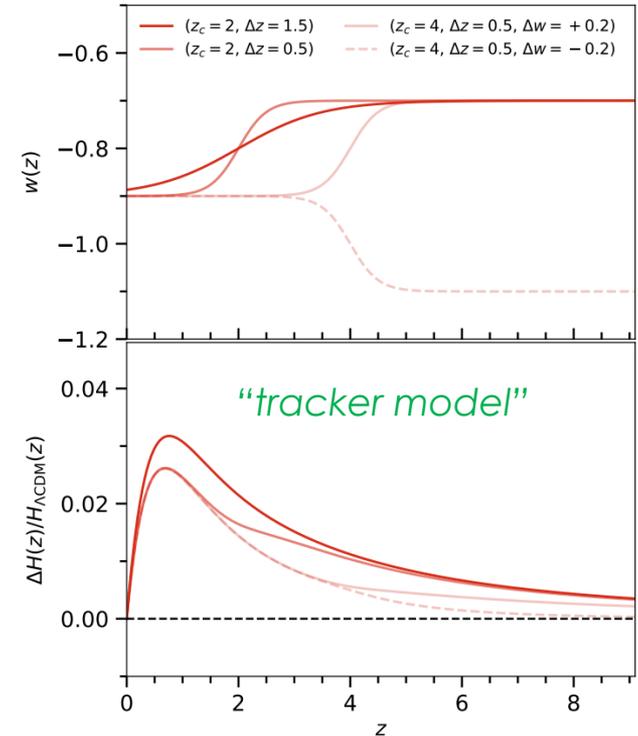
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Why Dark Energy at $z > 2$?

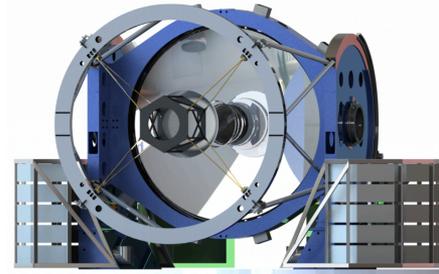
- Large classes of dynamical DE models have “freezing” behavior at low z ($w = -1$), while transitioning to “tracking” behavior ($w \sim 0$) in matter domination.
- Detectable if we can measure DE density at $2 < z < 6$.
- Dark Energy FoM (area of ellipse in the w_0 - w_a plane) has been useful for current/upcoming experiments, but doesn’t capture the complexity of general DE models.
- In absence of firm guidance from fundamental physics, optimization of model-independent quantities becomes important. E.g. require large redshift lever arm.
- Can indirectly probe “Early Dark Energy” (EDE)



Bull, White & Slosar (2020)
 Raveri et al (2017)
 Linder (2006)

Observational opportunities at $z > 2$

- The volume on the past lightcone increases dramatically. A $2 < z < 6$ survey can quadruple the observed volume \rightarrow smaller cosmic variance and access to larger scales.
- Smaller degree of non-linearity and less affected by astrophysical processes \rightarrow high precision perturbative inspired by high-energy particle physics become increasingly applicable.
- High-redshift target galaxies are dense enough to have $n \sim 10^{-4}$ $[\text{h}/\text{Mpc}]^3$ to $z = 5$ (LBGs and LAEs) – see [Wilson & White \(2019\)](#). Several proposed experiments: MegaMapper, SpecTel, MSE, ATLAS, DESI-2...
- Intensity mapping (21 cm, CO, [CII], other lines): low shot noise to high redshift. Proposals: PUMA, HIRAX, SuperSpec, ...

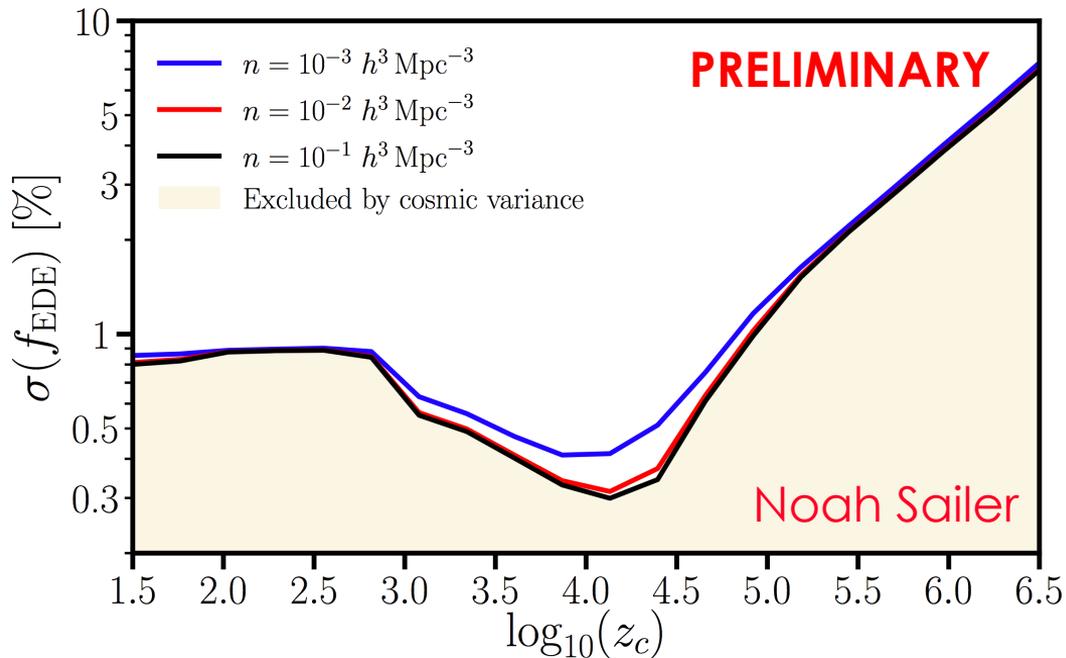


Dark Energy from high-z observations

High-z surveys will probe Dark Energy in 3 ways:

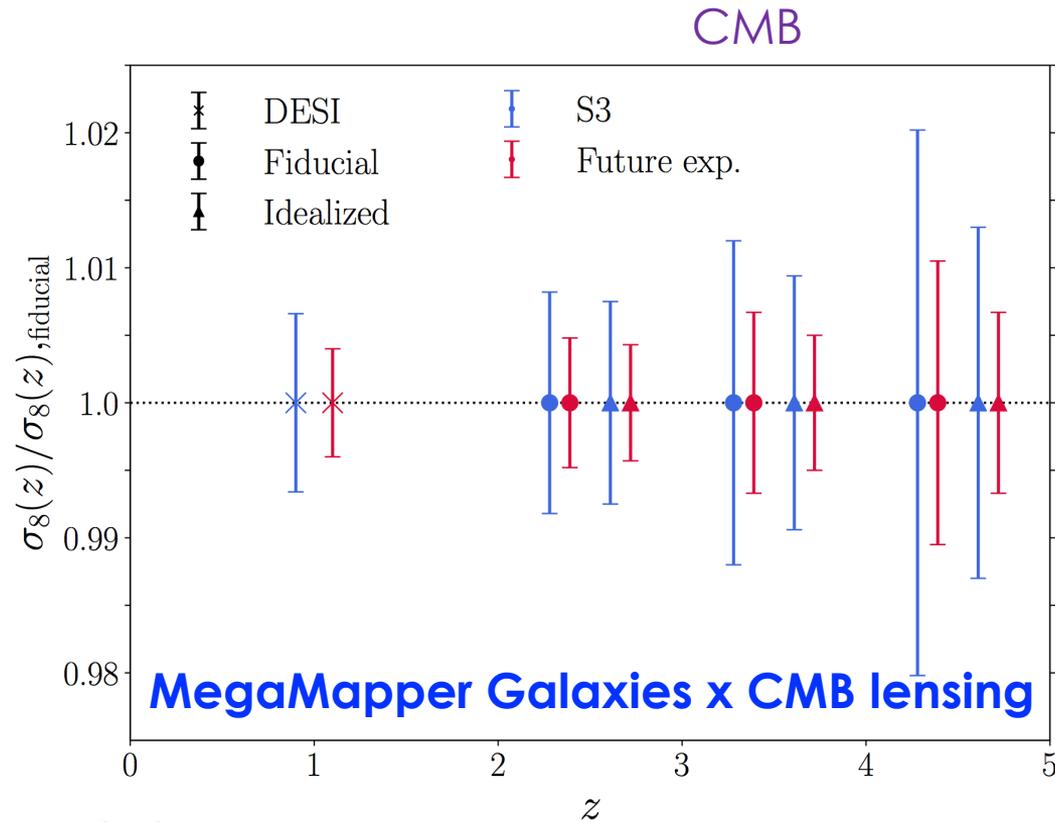
- 1) Direct measurement of DE over the observed redshift range. Broad classes of dynamical DE exhibit “tracking behaviour” with respect to the dominant energy density at a given redshift → *measure DE all the way deep into matter domination.*
- 2) Degeneracy breaking: parameter sensitivity varies with redshift, breaking degeneracies internally. E.g. dynamical DE vs neutrinos.
- 3) Indirect measurement of Early DE (EDE): through measurement of the shape of the matter PS (with much reduced cosmic variance) can constrain the fraction of EDE to be below 1% all the way to $z \sim 10^5$ → *precision DE probe throughout most of cosmic history.*

(Early) Dark Energy to $z \sim 10^5$



Detailed shape of the matter PS \rightarrow **percent level measurement of expansion history to $z \sim 10^5$** \rightarrow tight bounds on EDE and other non-standard components.

CMB cross-correlations: Mapping the growth of structure



- ~1% constraint on amplitude up to $z \sim 5$.
- Neutrino mass without CMB optical depth.
- Tests of gravity.

S.F., Mike Wilson et al (2019)
B. Yu et al (2018)

Conclusions

- Exciting opportunities for DE science at high redshift!
- Feasible in the next decade: spectroscopic galaxies and/or intensity mapping.
- 3 complementary tools: direct expansion, shape of the transfer function, internal degeneracy breaking with z .
- Large redshift lever arm is important. Cross correlations with CMB provide robustness and tests of gravity.

Thanks!