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### How we can test fundamental physics with Cosmology?

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#### **OUTLINE**

Cosmic Microwave Background radiation

Epoch of Recombination

Data analysis/Results/Planck

Next projects...

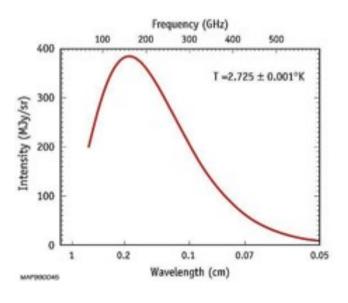
### The Cosmic Microwave Background

Discovered By Penzias and Wilson in 1965.

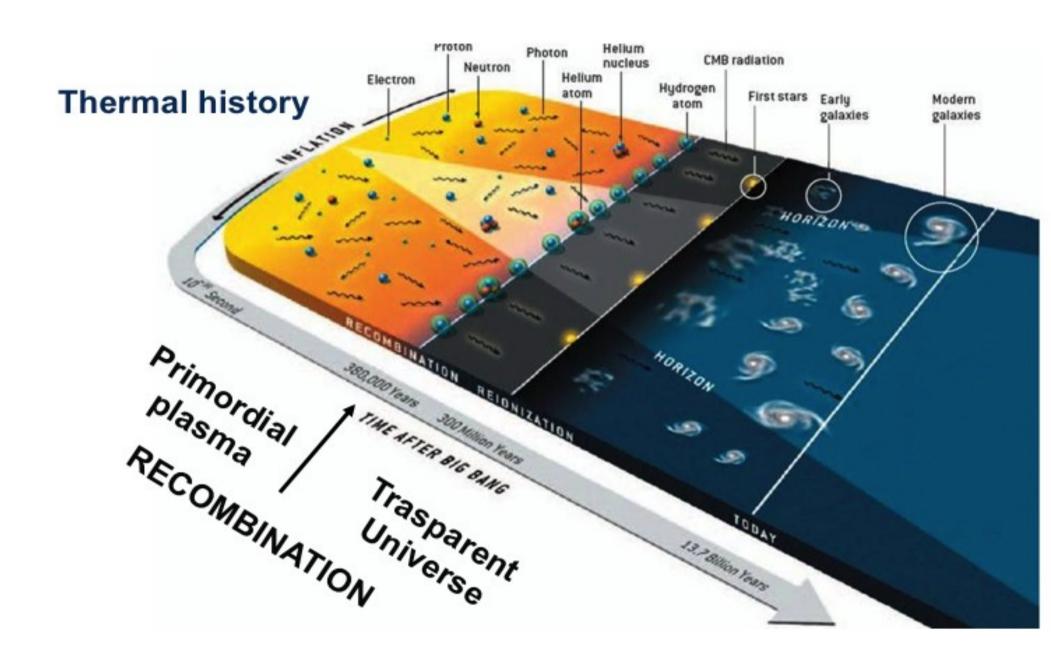
It is an image of the universe at the time of recombination (near baryon-photons decoupling), when the universe was just a few thousand years old (z~1000).

The CMB frequency spectrum is a perfect blackbody at T=2.73 K: this is an outstanding confirmation of the hot big bang model.

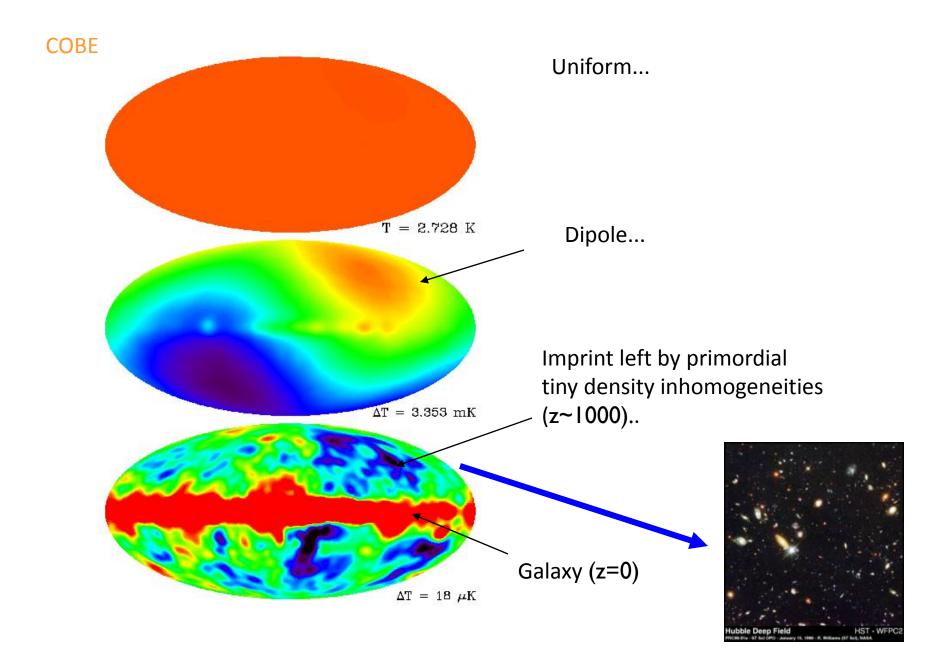




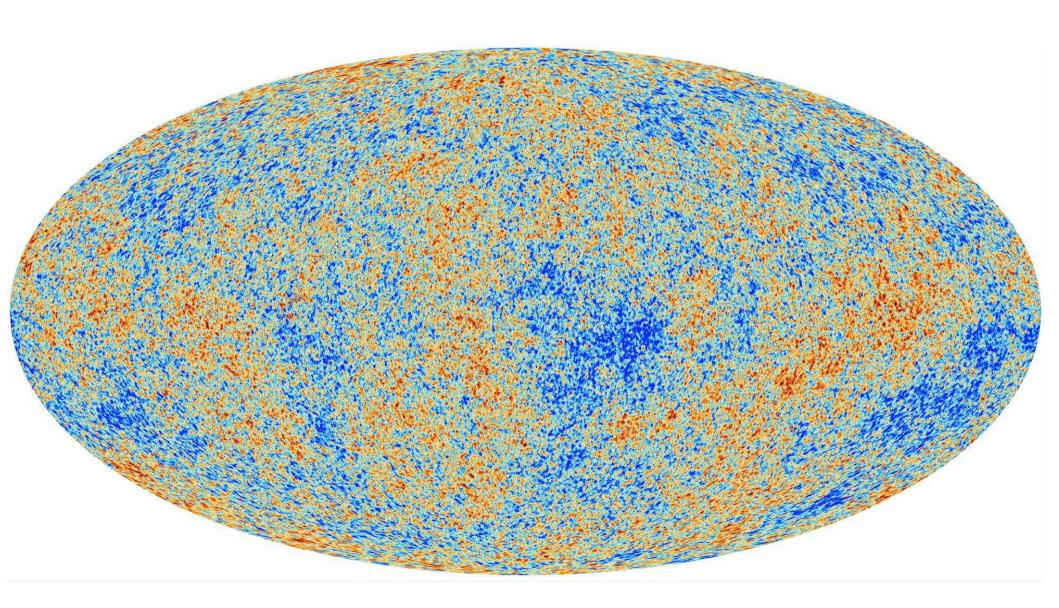
#### Why we use CMB anisotropies?



#### The Microwave Sky



### Planck 2013 results. I. Overview of products and scientific results [arXiv:1303.5062].



#### The CMB Angular Power Spectrum

The main reason of this success relies on the existance of a highly predictable theoretical model that describes the CMB anisotropies.

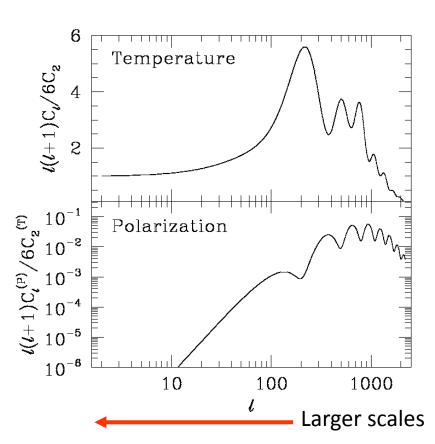
The most important theoretical prediction is the CMB anisotropy angular power spectrum.

i.e. you consider a two point correlation function For the anisotropies in the sky, you expand the correlation function in Legendre polinomials (i.e. there is non azimuthal dependence for The anisotropies) and the model predict a value of the Legendre coefficient in function of the order I as in figure.

Small I's correspond to large angular scales, while large I's correspond to small angular scales.

We can correlate not only temperature but also polarization.

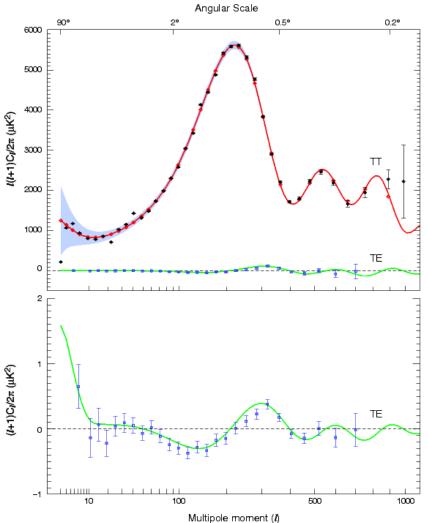
$$\left\langle \frac{\Delta T}{T} (\vec{\gamma}_1) \frac{\Delta T}{T} (\vec{\gamma}_2) \right\rangle = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{\ell} (2\ell + 1) C_{\ell} P_{\ell} (\vec{\gamma}_1 \cdot \vec{\gamma}_2)$$

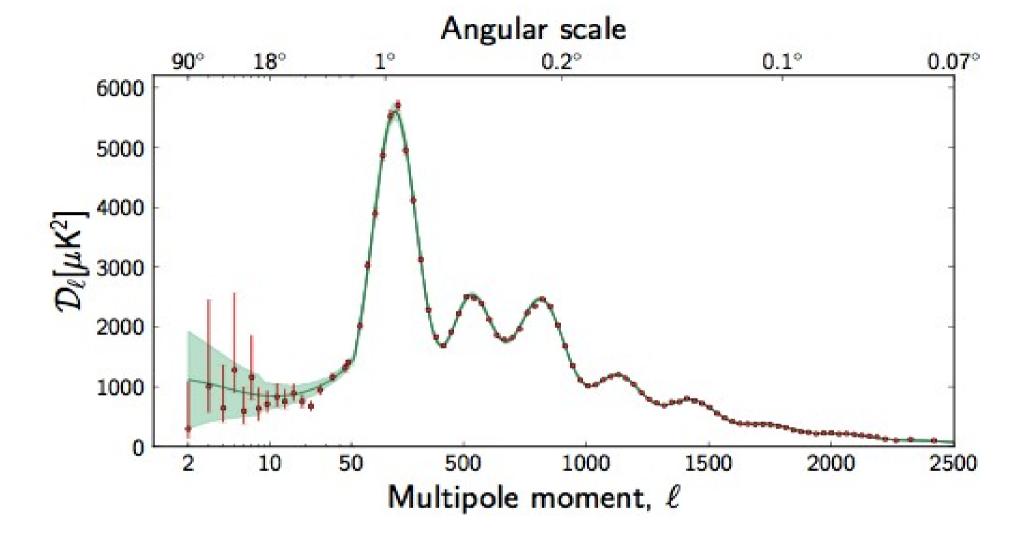


**WMAP** 

Theory and Experimental data are in spectacular agreement!

We can use the CMB data to constrain the parameter of the model!





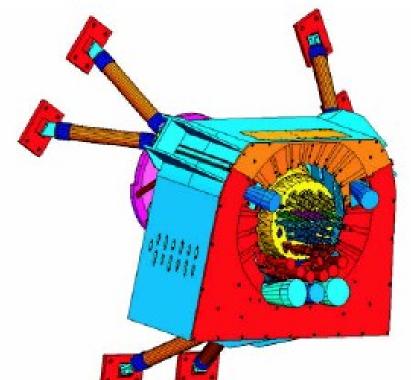
Planck collaboration [2013 Submitted to A&A] arXiv:1303.5075

#### A Planck view

Fig 1.2.—Planck focal plane unit. The HFI is inserted into the ring formed by the LFI horns, and includes thermal stages at 18 K, 4 K, 2 K and 0.1 K. The cold LFI unit (20 K) is attached by bipods to the telescope structure.



Fig 1.1.— Main elements of *Planck*. The instrument focal plane unit (barely visible) contains both LFI and HFI detectors. The function of the large baffle surrounding the telescope is to control the far sidelobe level of the radiation pattern as seen from the detectors. The specular conical shields (often called "V-grooves") thermally decouple the Service Module (which contains all warm elements of the satellite) from the Payload Module. The satellite spins around the indicated axis, such that the solar array is always exposed to the Sun, and shields the payload from solar radiation. Figures courtesy of Alcatel Space (Cannes).



#### **Planck-LFI: the Instrument**

Sensitivity, stability & low systematics



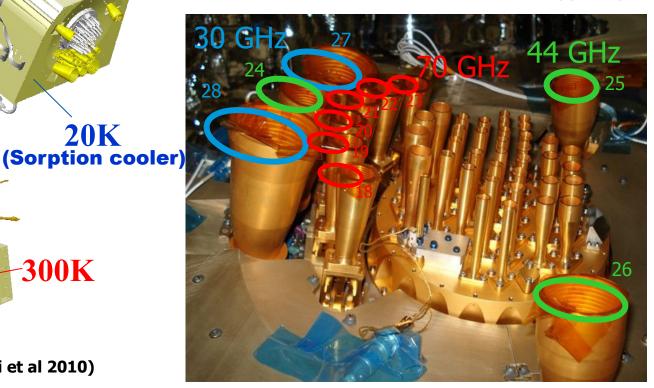
- State-of-the-art InP LNA technology

- Cryo operation 20K Sorption Cooler

22-element array



70 GHz MMIC HEMT



300K

(MB et al 2010, Mandolesi et al 2010)

#### **HFI-view**

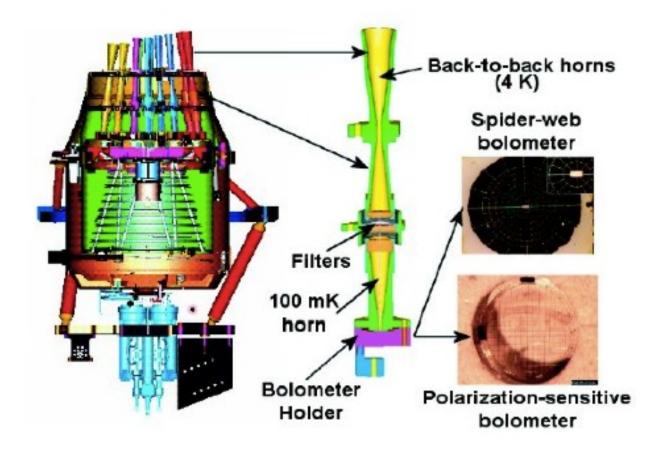
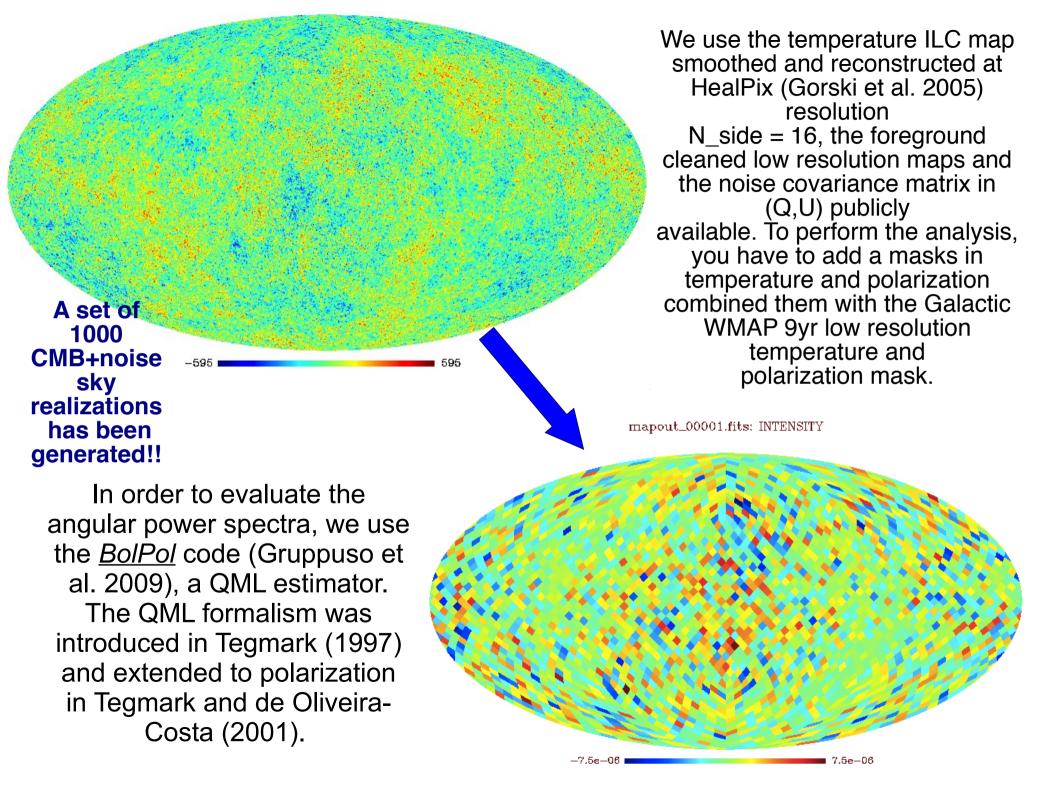


FIG 1.8.—Cutaway view of the HFI focal plane unit. Corrugated back-to-back feedhorns collect the radiation from the telescope and deliver it to the bolometer cavity through filters which determine the bandpass. The bolometers are of two kinds: (a) "spider-web" bolometers, which absorb radiation via a spider-web-like antenna; and (b) "polarisation-sensitive" bolometers, which absorb radiation in a pair of linear grids at right angles to each other. Each grid absorbs one linear polarization only. The absorbed radiant energy raises the temperature of a thermometer located either in the center of the spider-web, or at the edge of each linear grid.



Given a map in temperature and polarization x=(T,Q,U), the QML provides estimates the  $\hat{C}_{l}^{X}$  with X being one of TT, EE, TE, BB, TB, EB - of the angular power spectrum as:

Global covariance matrix (signal+noise)

$$\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{S}(C_l^X) + \mathbf{N}$$

$$\hat{C}_{l}^{X} = \sum_{l',X'} (F^{-1})_{ll'}^{XX'} [\mathbf{x}^{t} \mathbf{E}_{X'}^{l'} \mathbf{x} - tr(\mathbf{N} \mathbf{E}_{X'}^{l'})]$$

The Fisher matrix is written as:

$$F_{XX'}^{ll'} = \frac{1}{2} tr \left[ \mathbf{C}^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathbf{C}}{\partial C_l^X} \mathbf{C}^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathbf{C}}{\partial C_{l'}^{X'}} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{E}_X^l = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{C}^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathbf{C}}{\partial C_l^X} \mathbf{C}^{-1}$$

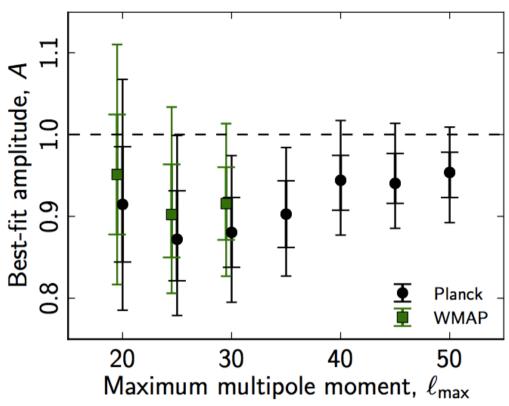
Although an initial assumption for a f ducial power spectrum  $C_{i}^{X}$  is needed

$$<\hat{C_l^X}>=<\bar{C}_l^X>$$

the average is taken over the ensemble of realizations (or, in a practical test, over Monte Carlo realizations extracted from  $\bar{C}_{I}^{X}$ ).



the QML method provides unbiased estimates of the power spectrum contained in the map regardless of the initial guess!!!!!



Power spectrum amplitude, relative to the best-f t Planck model as a function of I\_max, as measured by the low-I Planck and WMAP temperature likelihoods, respectively. Error bars indicate 68 and 95% conf dence regions.



Planck collaboration, arXiv:1303.5075v2 [25 Mar 2013]

We still don't know why there is the a low power respect to WMAP-data: wrong calibration? Some hints for a new physics?
We have to wait for the next year polarization data release (September 2014).

We have a lot of data...how we can use them?

# What we can say about physics? Can we learn something about our primordial universe?

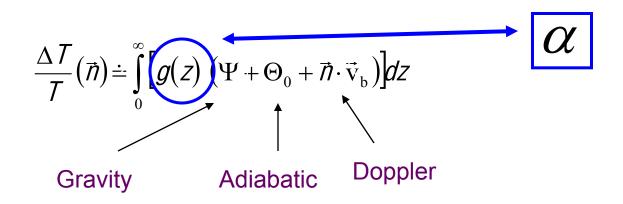
 We can constrain cosmological parameters, fundamental constants (the fine structure constant, gravitational constant....)

#### Physical Processes that Induce CMB Fluctuations

The primary anisotropies of CMB are induced by three principal mechanisms:

- Gravity (Sachs-Wolfe effect, regions with high density produce big gravitational redshift)
- Adiabatic density perturbations (regions with more photons are hotter)
- Doppler Effect (peculiar velocity of electrons on last scattering surface)

The anisotropies in temperature are modulated by the visibility function which is defined as the probability density that a photon is last scattered at redshift z:



#### Visibility function and fine structure constant

### Rate of Scattering

$$g(\eta) = \dot{ au} \ e^{- au}$$

#### Optical depth

$$\dot{ au}(\eta)=\mathit{\Pi_{ heta}}~\mathsf{X_{ heta}}~\mathsf{A}\sigma_{\mathit{T}}$$

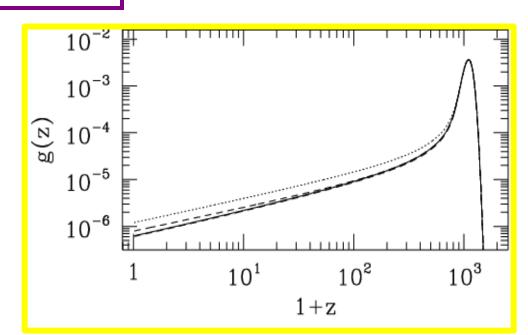
$$X_e = \frac{n_e}{n_e + n_H}$$

$$\tau(\eta) = \int_{\eta}^{\eta_0} d\eta' n_{\theta} X_{\theta} a\sigma_{\tau}$$

We can see that the visibility function is peaked at the Epoch of Recombination.

#### Thomson scattering cross section

$$\sigma_T = \frac{8\pi}{3} \frac{\hbar^2}{m_e^2 c^2} \alpha^2$$



#### Recombination: standard Model

#### **Direct Recombination**

NO net recombination

$$H_{1s} + \gamma \leftrightarrow H^+ + e^-$$

**Decay to 2 photons** from 2s levels metastable

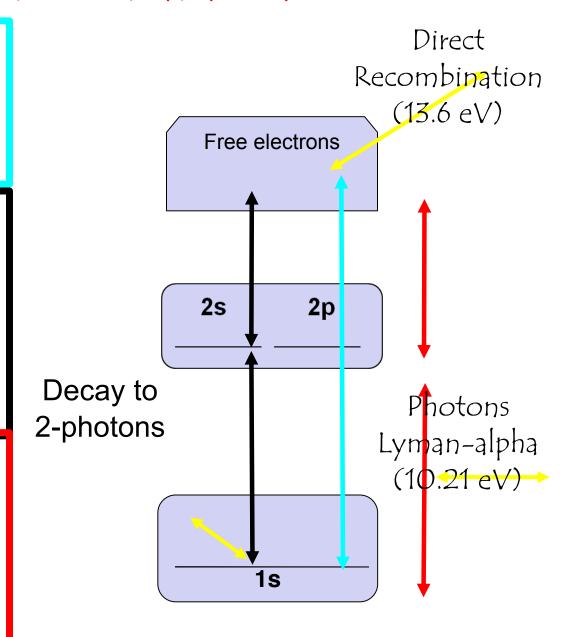
$$H^+ + e^- \leftrightarrow H_{2s} + \gamma$$

$$H_{2s} \leftrightarrow H_{1s} + 2\gamma$$

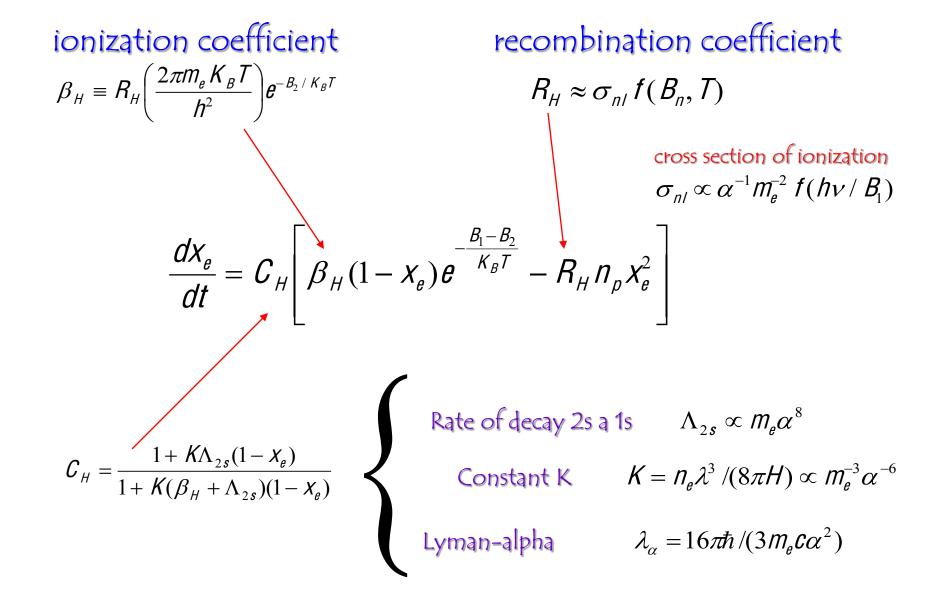
Cosmological redshift of Lyman alpha's photons

$$H^{+} + e^{-} \leftrightarrow H_{2p} + \gamma$$

$$H_{2p} \leftrightarrow H_{1s} + \gamma$$

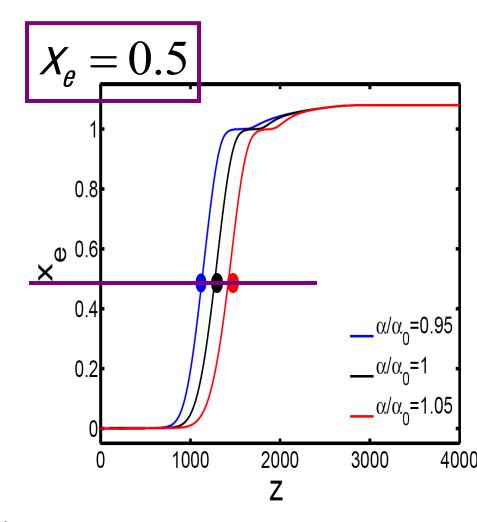


#### Evolution of the free electron fraction with time



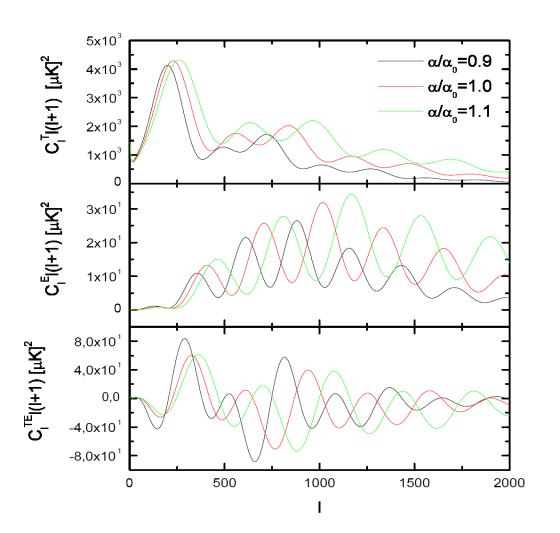
#### Variation of free electron fraction

If we plot the free electron fraction versus the redshift, we can notice a different epoch of Recombination for different values of alpha. In particular if the fine structure constant  $\alpha$  is smaller than the present value, then the Recombination takes place at smaller z.



(see e.g. Avelino et al., Phys.Rev.D64:103505,2001)

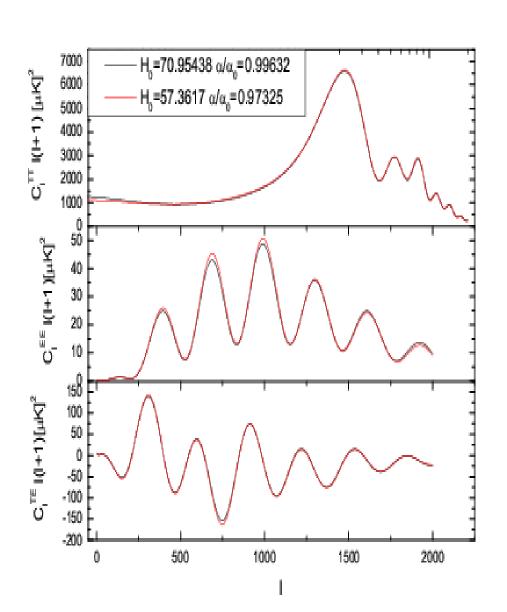
### Modifications caused by variations of the fine structure constant



If the fine structure constant is  $\alpha/\alpha_0 < 1$  recombination is delayed, the size of the horizon at recombination is larger and as a consequence the peaks of the CMB angular spectrum are shifted at lower I (larger angular scales).

Therefore, we can constrain variations in the fine structure constant at recombination by measuring CMB anisotropies!

### Caveat: is not possible to place strong constraints on the fine structure constant by using cmb data alone!



A "cosmic" degeneracy is cleary visible in CMB power spectrum in temperature and polarization between the fine structure constant and the Hubble constant.

The angle that subtends the horizon at recombination is indeed given by:

$$\theta_H \approx c_s H^{-1}(z_r) / d_A(z_r)$$

The horizon size increases by decreasing the fine structure constant but we can compensate this by lowering the Hubble parameter and increasing the angular distance.

## New constraints on the variation of the fine structure constant

Menegoni, Galli, Bartlett, Martins, Melchiorri, arXiv:0909.3584v1 Physical Review D *80 08/302 (2009)* 

We sample the following set of cosmological parameters from WMAP-5 years observations:

Baryonic density	$\Omega_{\it b} \it h^2$
Cold dark matter density	$\Omega_c h^2$
Hubble parameter	$H_{0}$
Scalar spectrum index	$n_s^{\circ}$
Optical depth	$\dot{ au}$
Overall normalization of the	$A_{\rm s}$
spectrum	3
Variations on the fine structur	
constant	$\alpha/\alpha_0$

We also permit variations of the parameter of state w .

We use a method based on Monte Carlo Markov Chain (the algorithm of Metropolis-Hastings).

The results are given in the form of likelihood probability functions.

We are looking for possible degeneracies between the parameters.

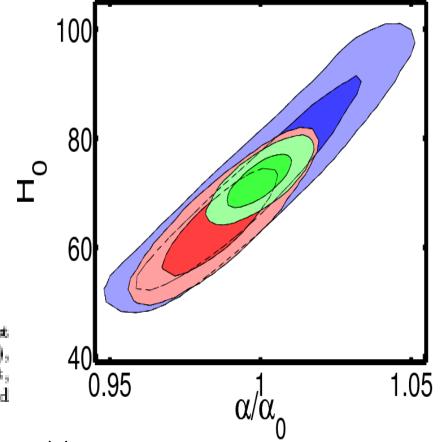
We assume a flat universe.

### Constraints on the fine structure constant

In this figure we show the 68% and 95% c.l. constraints on the  $\alpha/\alpha_0$  vs Hubble constant for different datasets .

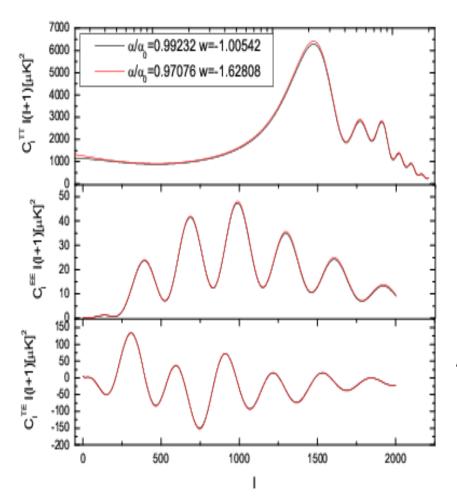
Experiment	α/α <sub>0</sub> 68% c.l. 95% c.l.
WMAP-5	0.998 ±0.021 <sup>+0.040</sup> <sub>-0.041</sub>
All CMB	$0.987 \pm 0.012 \pm 0.023$
All CMB+ HST	1.001 ±0.007 ±0.014

TABLE I: Limits on  $\alpha/\alpha_0$  from WMAP data only (first row), from a larger set of CMB experiments (second row), and from CMB plus the HST prior on the Hubble constant,  $h=0.748\pm0.036$  (third row). We report errors at 18% and 26% confidence level.



Menegoni, Galli, Bartlett, Martins, Melchiorri, arXiv:0909.3584v1 Physical Review D 80 08/302 (2009)

### The degeneracy between the fine structure constant with the dark energy equation of state w



If we vary the value of w we change the angular distance at the Recombination. Again this is degenerate with changing the sound horizon at recombination varying the fine structure constant.

$$dA = \frac{cH_0^{-1}}{(1+Z)} \int_0^{1100} \frac{dZ'}{E(Z')}$$

$$E(z) = \left[\Omega_m (1+z)^3 + \Omega_r (1+z)^4 + \Omega_X (1+z)^{[3(1+w)]}\right]^{1/2}$$

# Constraints on the dark energy parameter w

Issue 04, pp. 507-512 2010)

E. Menegoni, S. Pandolfi, S. Galli, M. Lattanzi, A. Melchiorri (IJMPD, International Journal of Modern Physics D, Volume 19,

 Datasets
 α/α₀
 w

 CMB
 0.983 ± 0.012
 -1.74 ± 0.53

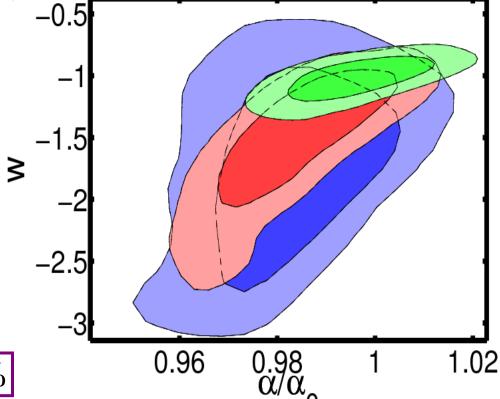
 CMB+ HST
 0.983 ± 0.011
 -1.52 ± 0.39

 CMB+ HST+SN-Ia
 0.996 ± 0.009
 1.02 ± 0.11

TABLE I: Limits on w and  $\alpha/\alpha$  from CMB experiments (first row), from CMB plus the HSV prior on the Hubble constant,  $h=0.748\pm0.036$  (second row), and from CMB+HST plus luminosity distances of supernovae type Is from the UNION catalog. We report errors at 68% confidence level.

 $\approx 0.9\%$ 

≈1.1%



**Table 11.** Constraints on the cosmological parameters of the base  $\Lambda$ CDM model with the addition of a varying fine-structure constant. We quote  $\pm 1 \sigma$  errors. Note that for *WMAP* there is a strong degeneracy between  $H_0$  and  $\alpha$ , which is why the error on  $\alpha/\alpha_0$  is much larger than for *Planck*.

	Planck+WP	Planck+WP+BAO	WMAP-9
$\Omega_{\rm b}h^2$	$0.02206 \pm 0.00028$	$0.02220 \pm 0.00025$	$0.02309 \pm 0.00130$
$\Omega_{\rm c}h^2$	$0.1174 \pm 0.0030$	$0.1161 \pm 0.0028$	$0.1148 \pm 0.0048$
τ	$0.095 \pm 0.014$	$0.097 \pm 0.014$	$0.089 \pm 0.014$
$H_0$	$65.2 \pm 1.8$	$66.7 \pm 1.1$	$73.9 \pm 10.9$
$n_{\rm s}$	$0.975 \pm 0.012$	$0.969 \pm 0.012$	$0.973 \pm 0.014$
$\log(10^{10}A_{\rm s})$	$3.106 \pm 0.029$	$3.100 \pm 0.029$	$3.090 \pm 0.039$
$\alpha/\alpha_0$	$0.9936 \pm 0.0043$	$0.9989 \pm 0.0037$	$1.008 \pm 0.020$

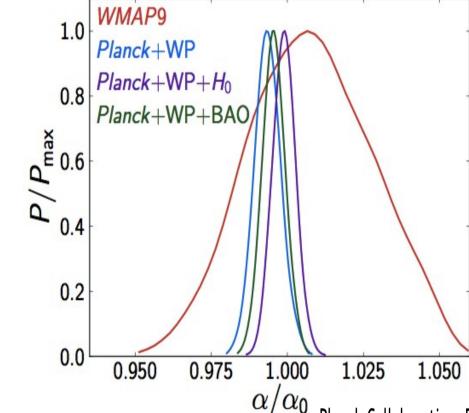


Figure 2. Marginalized posterior distributions of α/α0 for the WMAP-9 (red), Planck+WP (blue), Planck+WP+H0 (purple), and Planck+WP+BAO (green)data combinations.

Planck Collaboration, Planck 2013 results.XVI. Cosmological parameters, arXiv:1303.5076 [astro-ph.CO].

#### Results from Planck data on Co

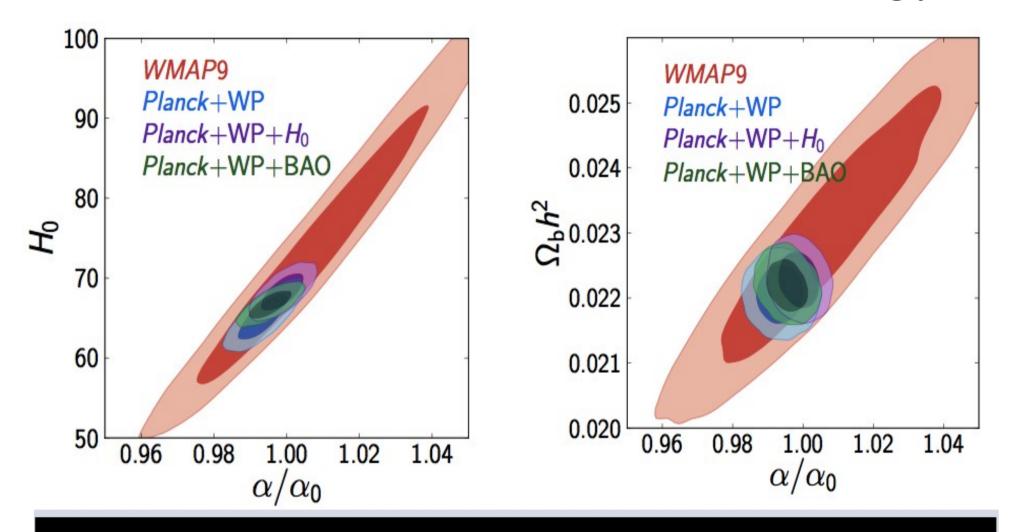


Figure 1. Left: Likelihood contours (68% and 95%) in the  $\alpha/\alpha_{0^-}$  H  $_0$  plane for the WMAP-9 (red), Planck+WP (blue), Planck+WP+HO (purple), and Planck+WP+BAO (green) data combinations Right: As left, but in the  $\alpha/\alpha_0$ - $\Omega_b$ h  $^2$  plane.

#### DARK ENERGY MODELS

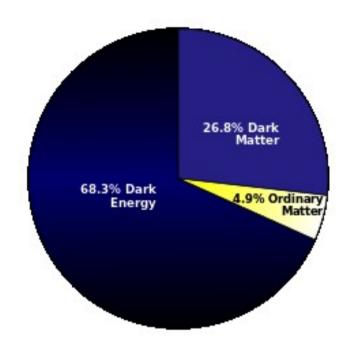
The standard cosmological model is consistent with the current data only if we admits the presence of a dark energy component

The nature of DE is still a big problem in modern cosmology!!!!

w= -1 OR

w = w(a)

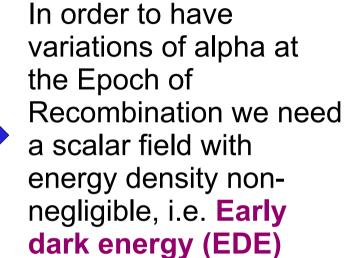
change with time?

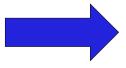


 Cosmological constant?
 Quintessence scalar field?....

# Varying fine structure constant: (possible) physical motivations

If dark energy is described by a scalar field, this scalar field can be coupled to the electromagnetic sector and change the value of the fine structure constant





It's interesting to see what happens to alpha in the case of and EDE component

#### DARK ENERGY **MODELS**

I CDM

$$W = const = -1$$

Scalar field 
$$W = W(a) \neq -1$$

The dark energy contribution is assumed to be represented by a scalar field whose evolution tracks that of the dominant component of the cosmic fluid at a given time!

$$\Omega_{de}(a) = \frac{\Omega_{de}^{0} - \Omega_{e} (1 - a^{-3w_{0}})}{\Omega_{de}^{0} + \Omega_{m}^{0} a^{3w_{0}}} + \Omega_{e} (1 - a^{-3w_{0}})$$

$$w(a) = -\frac{1}{3[1 - \Omega_{de}(a)]} \frac{d \ln \Omega_{de}(a)}{d \ln a} + \frac{a_{eq}}{3(a + a_{eq})}$$

<u>Calabrese</u>, <u>Roland de Putter</u>, <u>Dragan Huterer</u>, <u>Eric V. Linder</u>, <u>Alessandro Melchiorri</u> Journal-ref: Phys.Rev.D83:023011,2011

# Constraints on the fine structure constant with early dark energy model

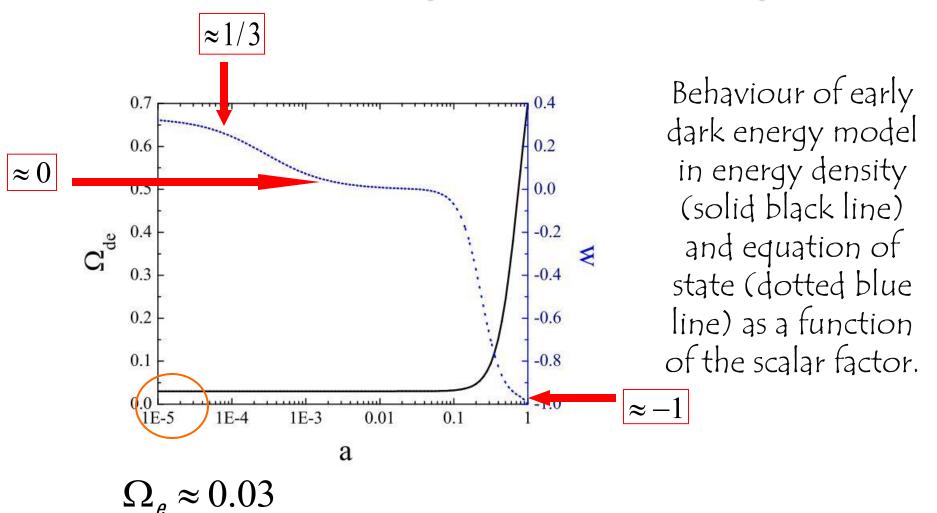
The scalar field could be coupled to other components. In this case is taken in account the coupling between the electromagnetism and the scalar field:

$$\frac{\Delta \alpha}{\alpha_0} \equiv \frac{\ddot{\alpha} - \alpha_0}{\alpha_0} = \zeta k(\phi - \phi_0)$$

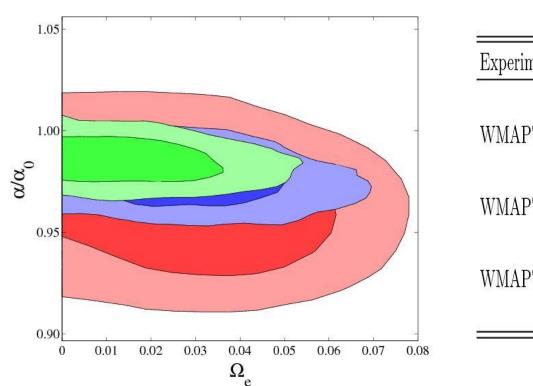
$$\alpha/\alpha_0(a) = 1 - \zeta \int_a^{a_0} \sqrt{3\Omega_{de}(a)(1 + W(a))} d\ln a$$

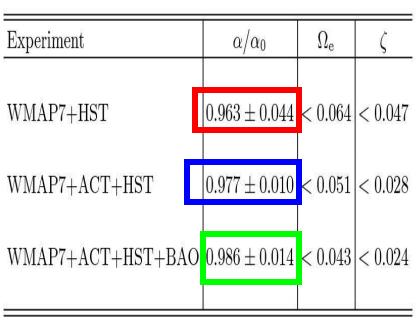
$$w = -1 + \frac{(\kappa \phi')^2}{3\Omega_{de}}$$

# Dark Energy model with a EDE constant component in the past



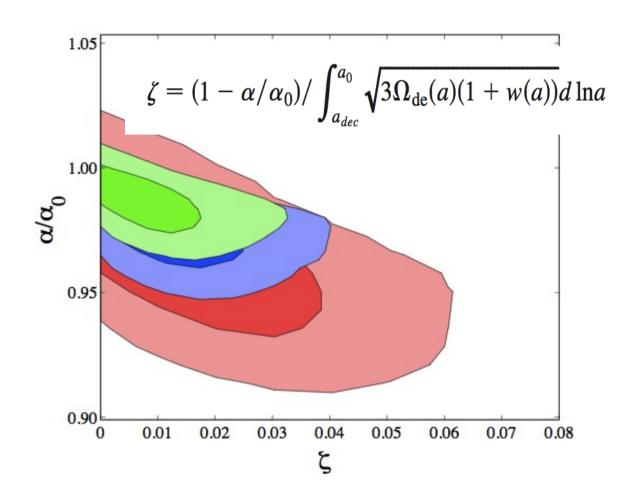
# Constraints on the variations of the fine structure constant, EDE density parameter and on coupling





Calabrese, Menegoni, Martins, Melchiorri and Rocha

Phys.Rev.D84:023518,2011



The current constraints are 20 to 40 times weaker than the ones that can be obtained from weak equivalence principle tests..

Our constraints are obtained on completely different scales (cosmological ones as opposed to laboratory ones). So a discrepancy of less than two orders of magnitude is actually impressive!!!! (the Cassini bound effectively on 10<sup>-4</sup> parsec scales)

TABLE I. Limits at 95% C.L. on  $\alpha/\alpha_0$ ,  $\Omega_e$  and the coupling  $\zeta$  from the MCMC analyses.

Datasets	$lpha/lpha_0$	$\Omega_e$	ζ
WMAP7 + HST	$0.963 \pm 0.044$	< 0.064	< 0.047
WMAP7 + HST2	$0.960 \pm 0.040$	< 0.070	< 0.047
WMAP7 + ACT + HST	$0.975 \pm 0.020$	< 0.060	< 0.031
WMAP7 + ACT + HST + BAO	$0.986 \pm 0.018$	< 0.050	< 0.025
WMAP7 + ACT + HST2 + BAO	$0.986 \pm 0.016$	< 0.050	< 0.021

### Constraints from next experiments...

To evaluate future sensitivity to these parameters from CMB it's possible consider noise properties consistent with the Planck and CMBPol experiments. For each channel we consider a detector noise of

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tor noise of	$f_{aky} = 0$
$V^{-1} = (\theta \sigma)^2$	TABLE II: Plas Channel freque

Experiment Channel FWHM Planck.  $14^{\circ}$ 70 12.818.3100  $10^{2}$ 6.8 10.9 143 6.011.4CMBP<sub>0</sub>I  $12.0^{\circ}$ 70 0.148 - 0.209100  $8.4^{\circ}$ 0.151 - 0.214150 $5.6^{\circ}$ 0.177 - 0.2500.85

TABLE II: Planck and CMBPol experimental specifications. Channel frequency is given in GHz, FWHM (Full-Width at Half-Maximum) in arc-minutes, and the temperature and polarization sensitivity per pixel in  $\mu K$ .

FWHM (Full-Width at Half Maximum)

Temperature/polarization sensitivity  $\Delta T/\Delta P$ 

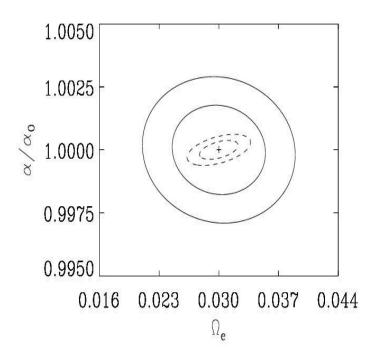
We use a FISHER matrix approach!!

# Resuts for alpha, EDE parameter, and the coupling

We then perform a Fisher matrix analysis [20] to estimate the  $1-\sigma$  error for each parameter. We assume a  $\Lambda$ CDM fiducial model:  $\Omega_b h^2 = 0.02258$ ,  $\Omega_c h^2 = 0.1109$ ,  $\tau = 0.088$ ,  $H_0 = 71 \,\mathrm{km/s/Mpc}$ ,  $n_s = 0.963 \,\mathrm{plus}$  the EDE parameters that we fix to:  $w_0 = -0.90$ ,  $\Omega_e = 0.03$ ,  $c_s^2 = 1$ ,  $c_{vis}^2 = 0$  and  $\alpha/\alpha_0 = 1$ .

Experiment	$\sigma_{\alpha/\alpha_0}$	$\sigma_{\Omega_{ m e}}$	$\sigma_{\zeta}$
Planck CMBPol			< 0.0012 < 0.00022

TABLE III: Fisher matrix errors at 68% c.l. on  $\alpha/\alpha_0$  and  $\Omega_e$  and upper bounds at 95% on coupling  $\zeta$  from Planck and CMBPol.



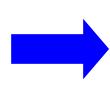
## Future constraints on variations of $\alpha$ from combined CMB and weak lensing measurements

Experiment	Channel	FWHM	$\Delta T/T$
Planck	70	147	4.7
	100	102	2.5
	143	$7.1^{9}$	2.2
$f_{\rm zky} = 0.85$			

TABLE I. Planck-like experimental specifications. Channel frequency is given in GHz, the temperature sensitivity per pixel in  $\mu K/K$ , and FWHM (Full-Width at Half-Maximum) in arc-minutes. The polarization sensitivity is assumed as  $\Delta E/E = \Delta B/B = \sqrt{2\Delta T/T}$ . Adding a noise spectrum to each fiducial spectra C\_l:

$$N_1 = W^{-1} \exp(I(I+1)/I^2_b)$$

We combined five quadratic estimators into a minimum variance estimator; the noise on the deflection field power spectrum C\_dd produced by this estimator can be expressed:



$$N_{l}^{dd} = \frac{1}{\sum_{aa'bb'} (N_{l}^{abab'})^{-1}}$$

### Galaxy weak lensing data

Using the Euclid specifications we produce mock datasets of convergence power spectra. The 1σ uncertainty on the convergence power spectrum (P(ℓ)) can be expressed as:

$$\sigma_{I} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{(2I+1)f_{sky}\Delta_{I}}} \left( P(I) + \frac{\gamma_{rms}^{2}}{n_{gal}} \right)$$

$n_{gal}(arcmin^{-2})$	redshift	Sky Coverage (square degrees)	$\gamma_{rms}$
30	0.5 < z < 2	15000	0.22

TABLE II. Specifications for the Euclid like survey considered in this paper. The table shows the number of galaxies per square arcminute  $(n_{gal})$ , redshift range, sky coverage and intrinsic ellipticity  $(\gamma_{rms}^2)$  per component.

In our analysis we choose  $\ell=1$  for the range2 <  $\ell$  < 100 and  $\ell=40$  for 100 <  $\ell$  < 1500. As at high  $\ell$  the non-linear growth of structure is more relevant, the shape of the non-linear matter power spectra is more uncertain therefore, to exclude these scales, we choose  $\ell$  max = 1500. We assume the galaxy distribution of Euclid survey to be of the form  $n(z) \propto z^2 \exp(-(z/z_0)^{1.5})$  where z\_0 is set by the median redshift of the sources, z\_0 = z\_m/1.41 with z\_m = 0.9.

	Planck		Planck+Euclid	
Model	Varying $\alpha/\alpha_0$	$\alpha/\alpha_0=1$	Varying $\alpha/\alpha_0$	$\alpha/\alpha_0=1$
Parameter				
$\Delta(\Omega_b h^2)$	0.00013	0.00013	0.00011	0.00010
$\Delta(\Omega_c h^2)$	0.0012	0.0010	0.00076	0.00061
$\Delta( au)$	0.0043	0.0042	0.0041	0.0029
$\Delta(n_s)$	0.0062	0.0031	0.0038	0.0027
$\Delta(\log[10^{10}A_s])$	0.019	0.013	0.0095	0.0092
$\Delta(H_0)$	0.76	0.43	0.34	0.31
$\Delta(\Omega_{\Lambda})$	0.0063	0.0050	0.0034	0.0033
$\Delta(\alpha/\alpha_0)$	0.0018	_	0.0008	_

### The Euclid future data improves the Planck constraint on $\alpha/\alpha$ \_0 by a factor of 2.6!!!

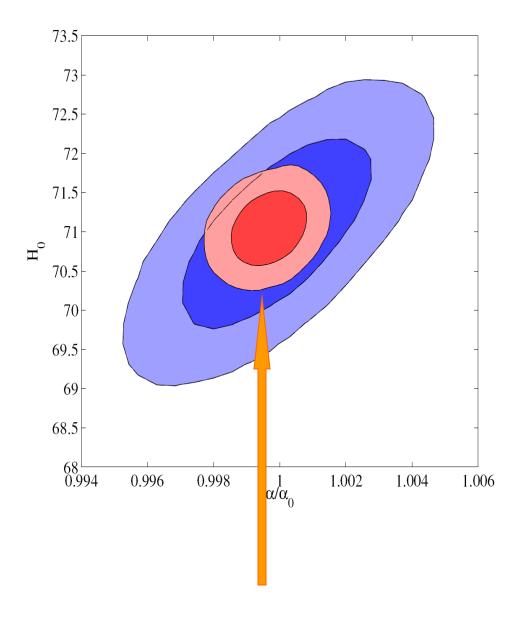
This is a significant improvement since for example, a  $2\sigma$  detection by Planck for a variation of  $\alpha$  could be confirmed by the inclusion of Euclid data at more than 5

standard deviation. The precision achieved by a

Planck+Euclid analysis is at the level of  $5 \times 10^{-4}$ 

that could be in principle further increased by the inclusion of complementary datasets.

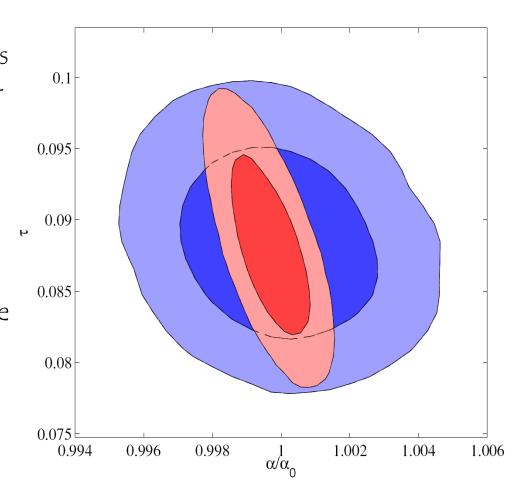
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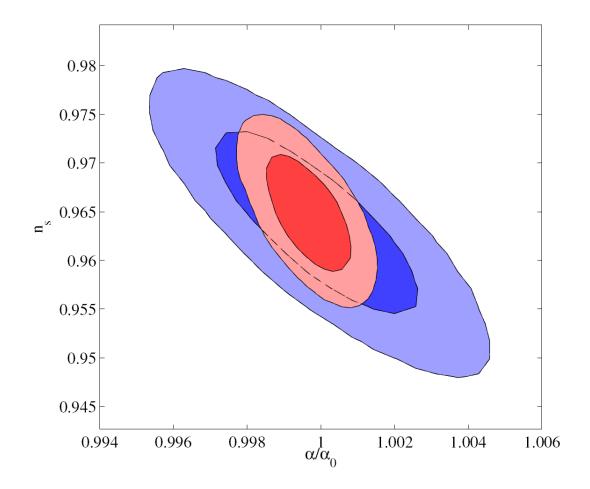


Planck+Euclid

There is a high level of correlation among  $\alpha/\alpha O$  and the parameters H o when only the Planck data is considered. This is also clearly shown in the plot of the 2-D likeihood contours at 68% and 95% c.l. between  $\alpha/\alpha O$  and H\_o. A larger/lower value for  $\alpha$  is more consistent with observations with a larger/lower value for H 0.

Using EUCLID +PLANCK highlights a previously hidden degeneracy between  $\alpha/\alpha O$  and  $\tau$ ; both these parameters do not affect the convergence power spectrum, thus they are not measured by Euclid, but they are both correlated with other parameters, such as n\_s whose constraints are improved through the analysis of weak lensing. This improvement on ns allows to clarify the degeneracy between  $\alpha/\alpha O$  and  $\tau$ .



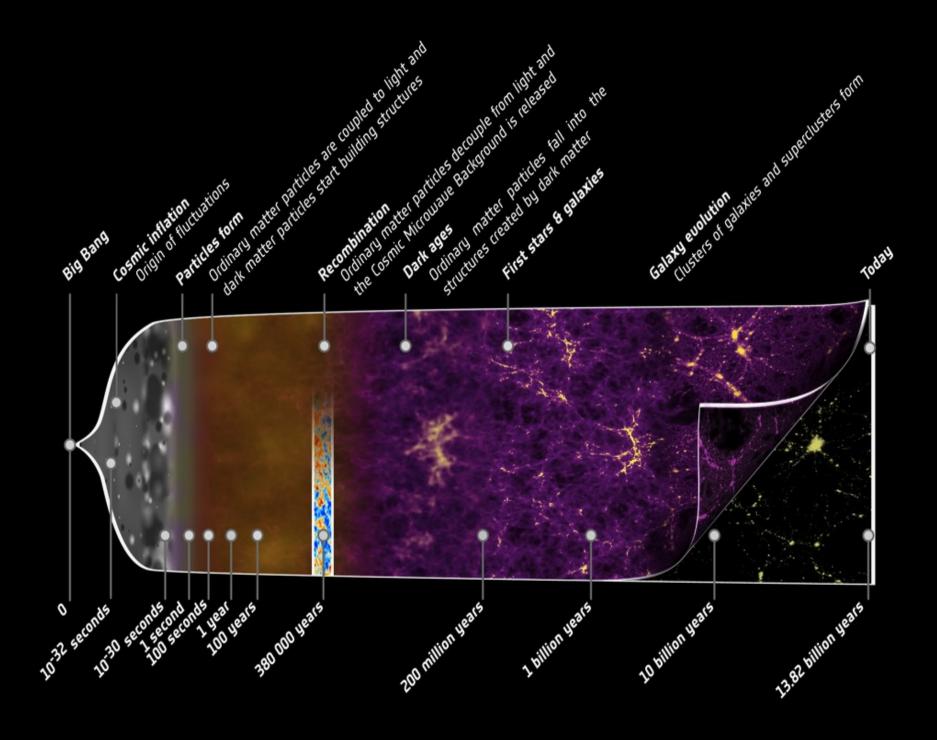


Infact a larger/lower value for  $\alpha$  is more consistent with observations with a lower/larger value for n\_s!!!!

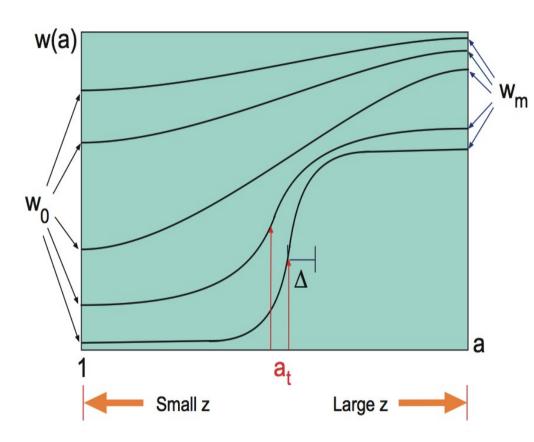


**EUCLID** will be launched in 2020 to explore dark energy and dark matter in order to understand the evolution of the Universe since the Big Bang and, in particular, its present accelerating expansion. Dark matter is invisible to our normal telescopes but acts through gravity to play a vital role in forming galaxies and slowing the expansion of the Universe.

EUCLID+Planck will help in the next future to understand how the structures were originated, and, furthermore to investigate the nature of the dark universe (both matter and energy).



#### DARK ENERGY MODELS



A light scalar field, called **QUINTESSENCE**, rolling down a flat effective potential has been proposed to account for the missing energy in the Universe

QUINTESSENCE MODELS manifesting 'tracker' properties allow the scalar field to dominate the present Universe independently of the initial conditions.

The scalar field evolution:
driven by a non-canonical kinetic term? and a
non-minimal coupling between quintessence
and dark matter?
Unified models of dark matter and dark
energy?

PS Corasaniti, M. Kunz, D. Parkinson, E.J. Copeland, B.A. Bassett, 10.1103/PhysRevD.70.083006.

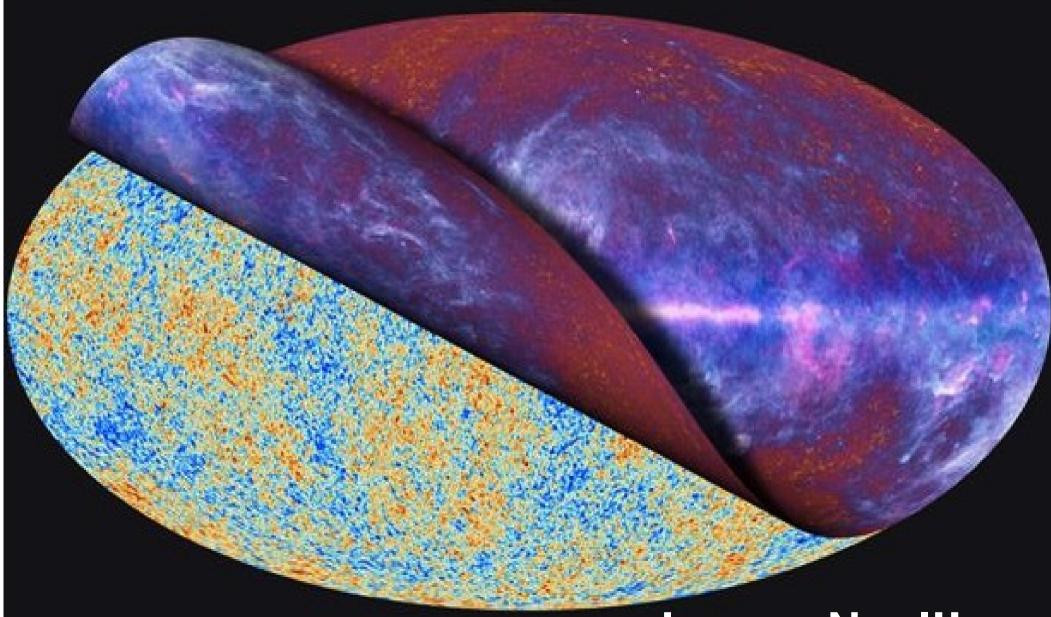
#### **CONCLUSIONS:**

- We found a substantial agreement with the present value of the fine structure constant (we constrain variations at max of 2,5% at 1-sigma from WMAP-5 years and less than 0.7% when combined with HST observations).
- Planck data improve the constraints on  $\alpha/\alpha_0$ , with respect to those from WMAP-9 by a factor of about five. Our analysis of Planck data limits any variation in the fine structure constant from  $z\approx 10^3$  to present day to be less than approximately 0.4%.
- There is no clear degeneracy between the early dark energy density parameter and the fine structure constant, however we can reach tighter constraints on these quantities from the next experiments.
  - Combining the data from the Euclid+Planck experiments would provide a constraint of  $\alpha/\alpha_0 = 8 \times 10^{-4}$ , significatevely improving the constraints expected from Planck. We found that allowing in the analysis for the variations in the fine structure constant has important impact in the determination of parameters as the spectral index, the Hubble constant and the optical depth from a Planck+Euclid analysis.



### Thanks for the attention!!!





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#### The FISHER matrix is defined as

The Cramèr-Rao inequality implies that  $(F^{-1})_{ii}$  is the smallest variance in the parameter  $p_i$ .

$$F_{ij} \equiv \left\langle -\frac{\partial^2 \ln L}{\partial \rho_i \partial \rho_j} \right\rangle_{D}$$

The one sigma error for each of parameters

is defined:

$$\sigma_{p_i} \geq \sqrt{(F^{-1})_{ii}}$$

 $L(data \overline{p})$ 

Likelihood function of a set of parameters given some data

Parameters of the fiducial model

The FISHER matrix for a CMB experiment is given by

$$F_{ij}^{CMB} = \sum_{XY} \sum_{l=2}^{l_{\text{max}}} \frac{\partial C_{l}^{X}}{\partial p_{i}} (C_{l}^{XY})^{-1} \frac{\partial C_{l}^{Y}}{\partial p_{i}}$$