



Towards realistic constraints on alternative theories of gravity

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Workshop on Tensions in Cosmology

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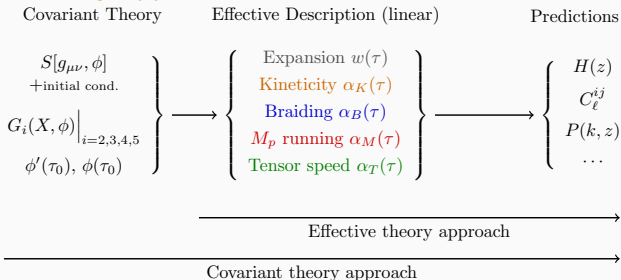
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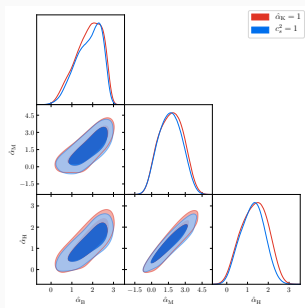
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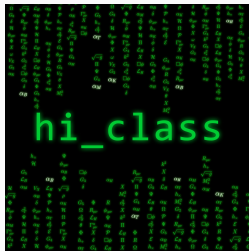
Guiding principles

- level of detail and control available to standard cosmology
- better a (controlled) error than a wrong solution



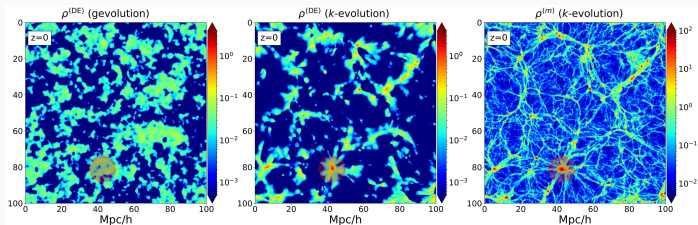
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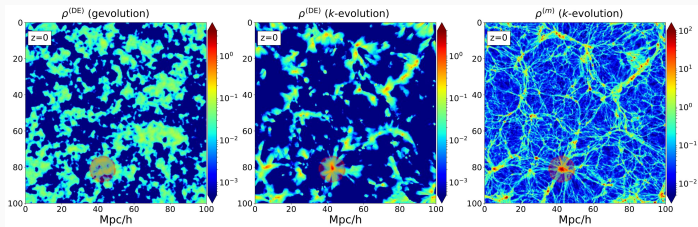


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The dream

A unified framework to **compress** the number of non-linear parameters and describe **broad** classes of models.

- choose carefully how you want to describe gravity
- linear order with `hi_class` we are ready
- non-linearities: still a lot to do, but there are efforts (it's tough)

Thank you!