

# Modified Gravity

# Dark Interactions



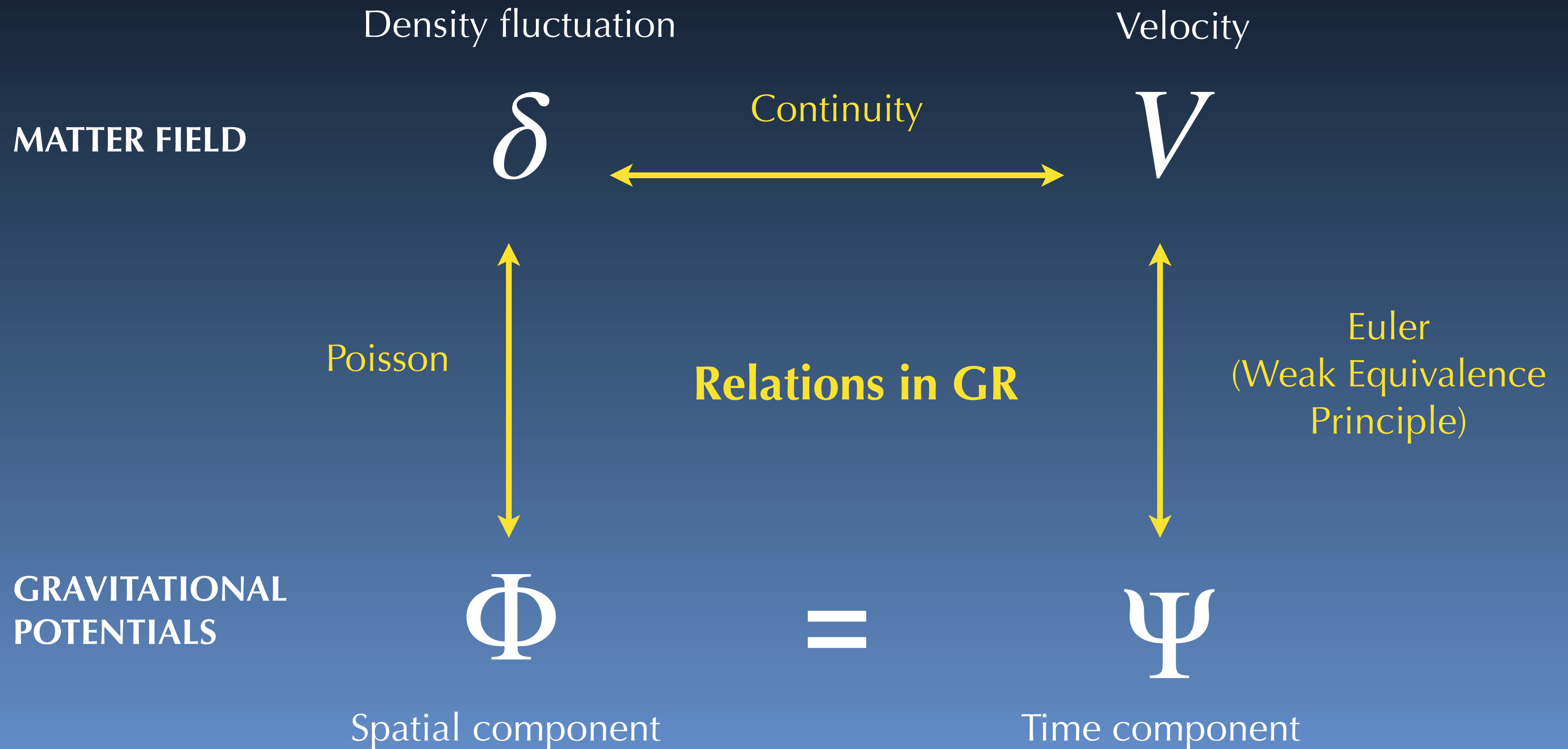
## Settling the Dispute through the Distortion of Time



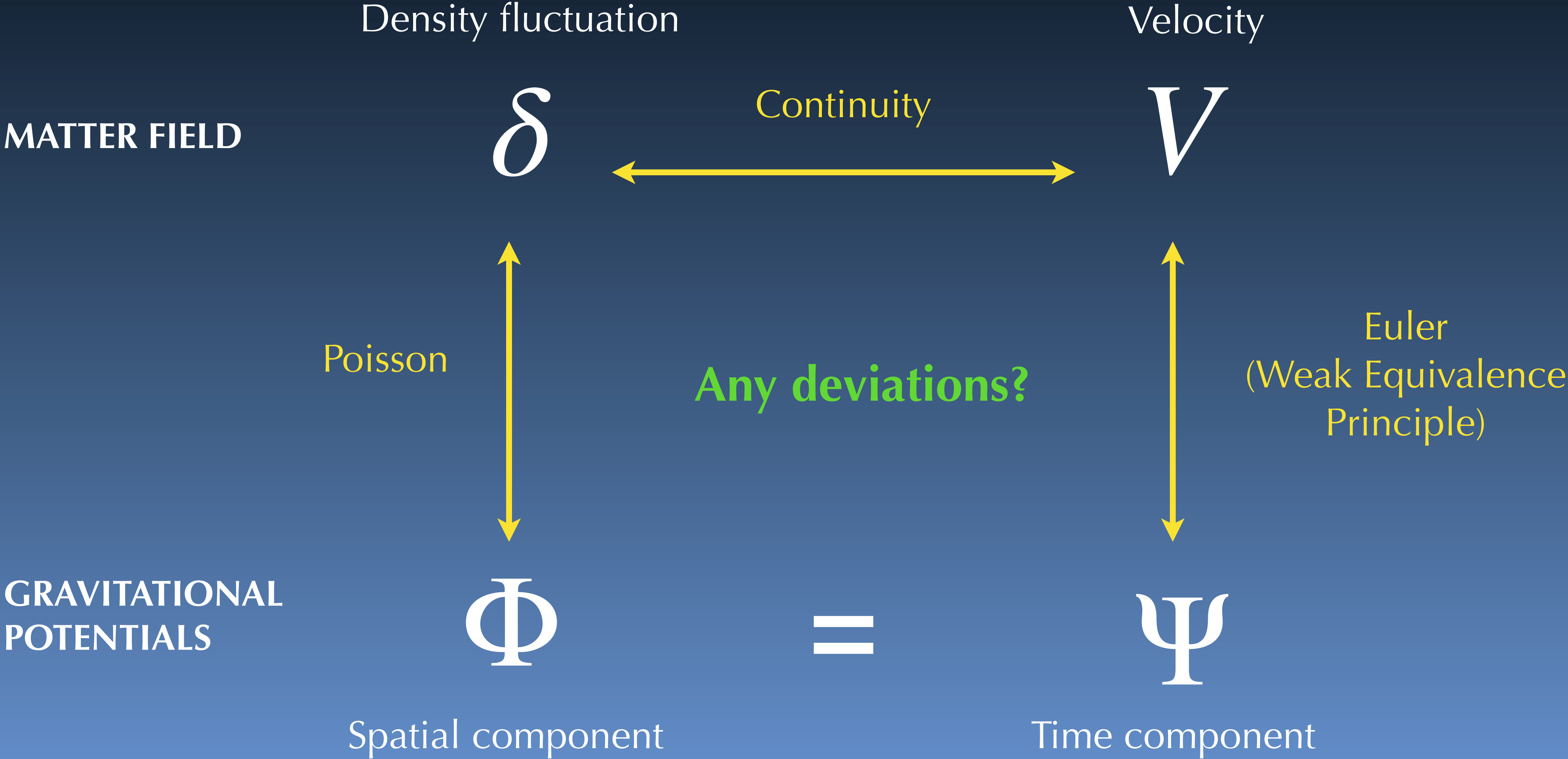
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Based on 2404.09379 with Z. Wang, L. Dam, C. Bonvin, L. Pogolian

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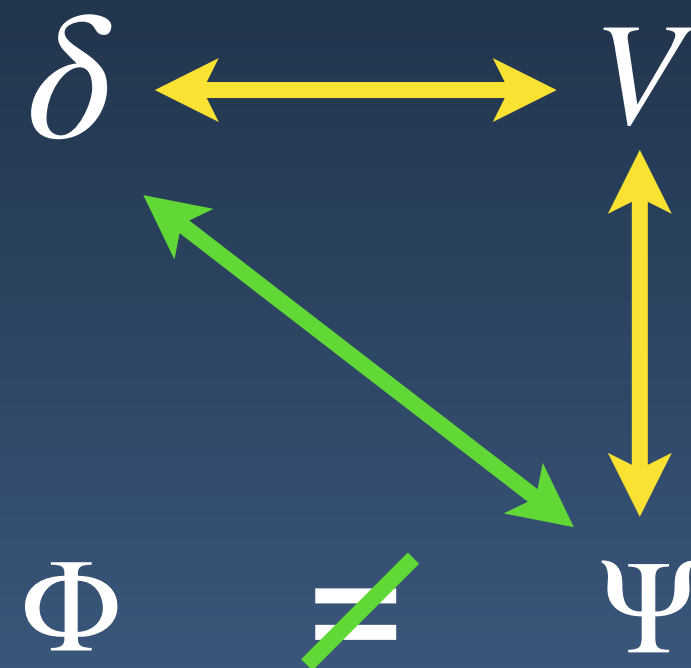


# Two scenarios

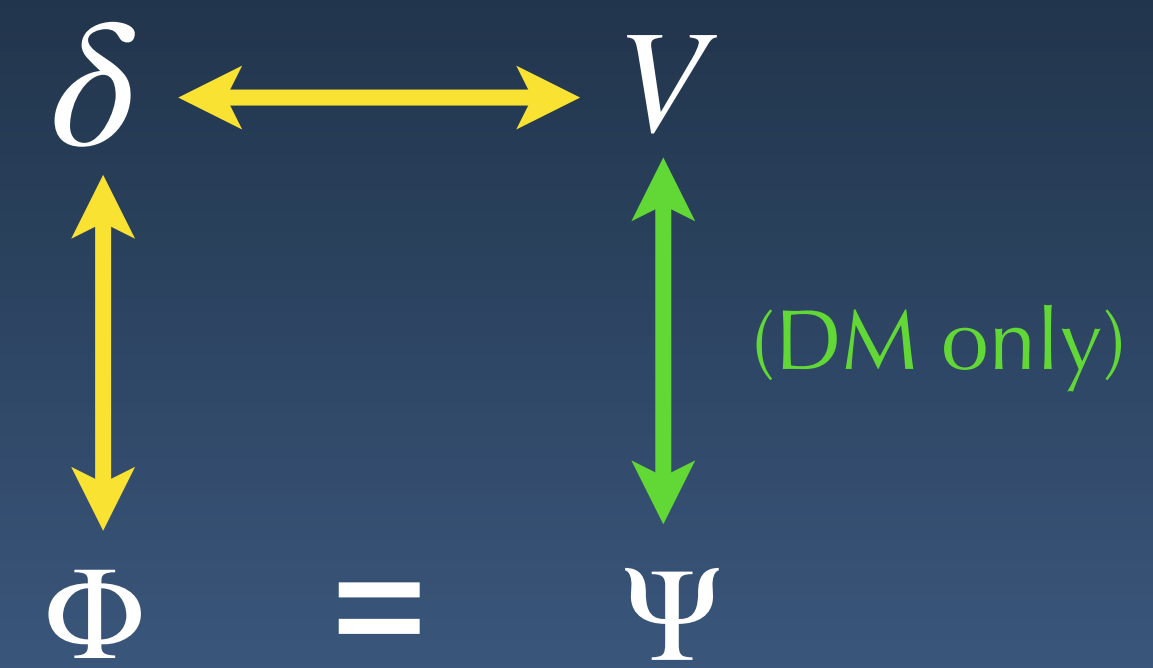
Bonvin & Pogosian (2022)

SC, Wang, Dam, Bonvin, Pogosian (2024)

Gravity modifications affecting all constituents



Breaking of the weak equivalence principle for DM



Can we distinguish between the two?

Two example models with an additional scalar field

→ Generalised Brans-Dicke  
Universal coupling  $\beta_1$

→ Coupled quintessence  
DM-only coupling  $\beta_2$

# Comparison with observations

Fluctuations in galaxy number counts

$$\Delta(z, \mathbf{n}) = b \delta_{\text{DM}} - \frac{1}{\mathcal{H}} \partial_r (\mathbf{V} \cdot \mathbf{n})$$

DM density  
x galaxy bias

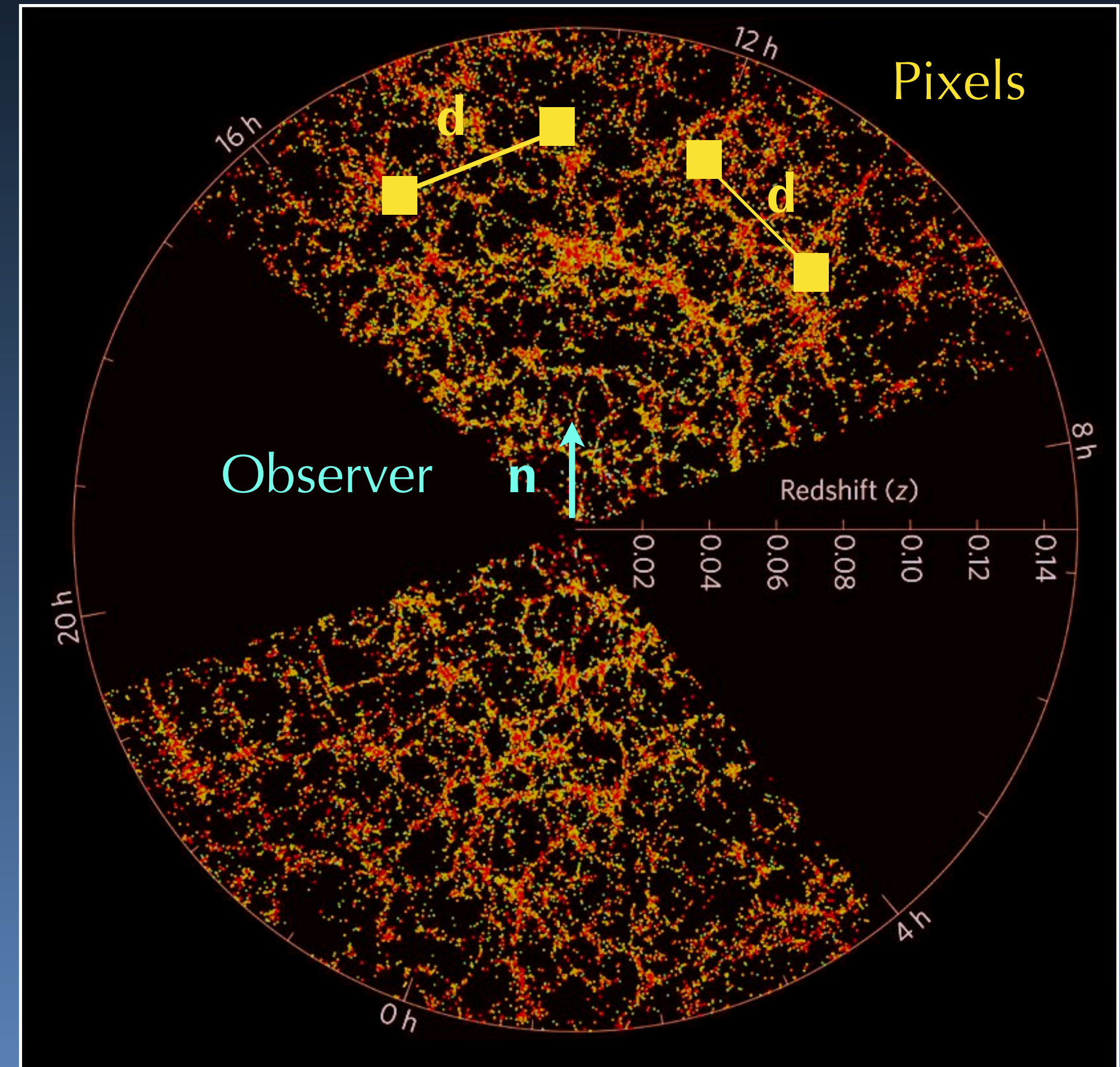
Redshift-space  
distortions (RSD)

Two-point correlation function

$$\xi \equiv \langle \Delta(z, \mathbf{n}) \Delta(z', \mathbf{n}') \rangle$$



Extracted from observations and compared with theoretical predictions



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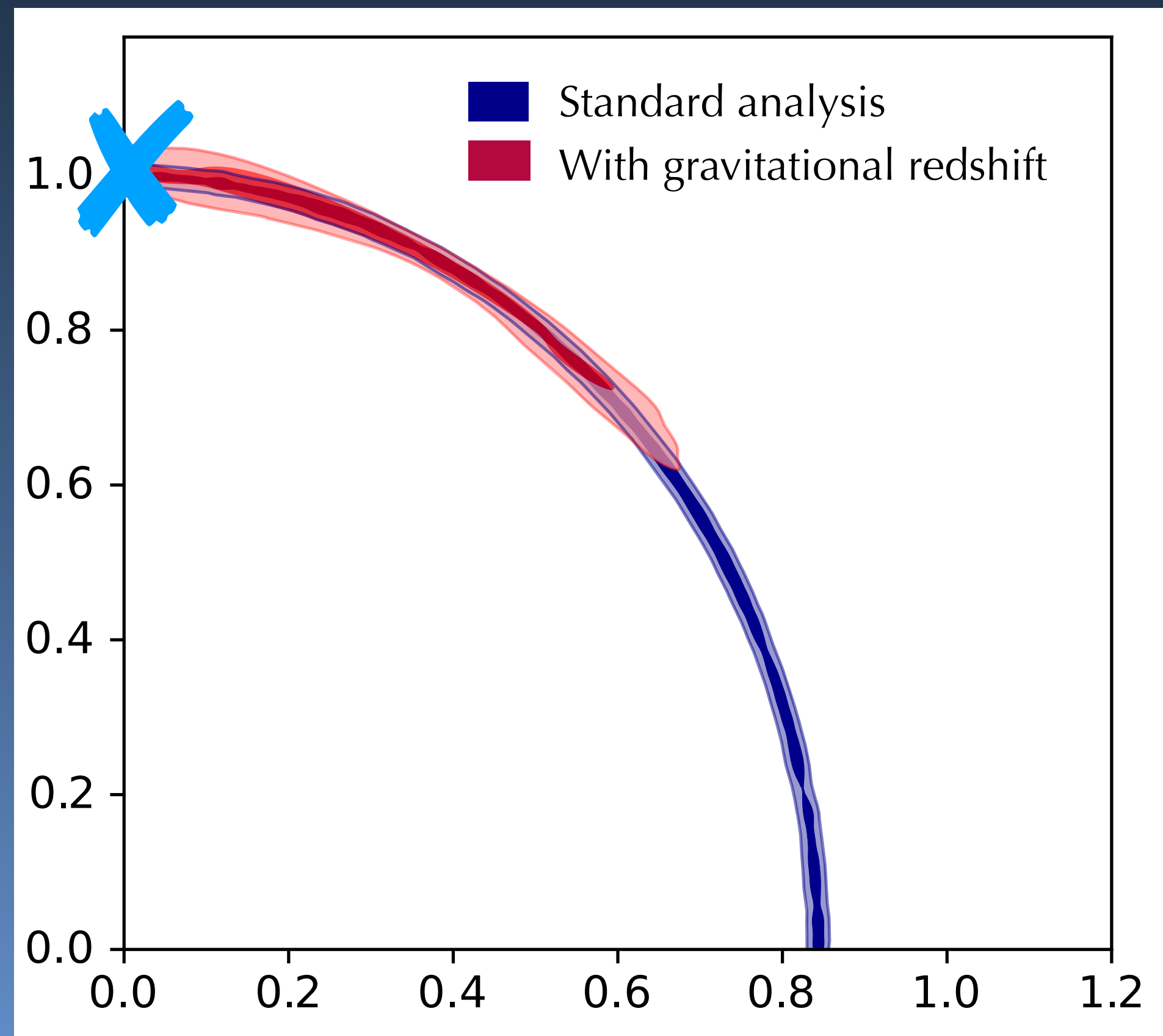
# Forecasts for SKA2

SC, Wang, Dam, Bonvin, Pogossian (2024)

- Generate mock data with one type of modification (e.g.  $\beta_1 = 0, \beta_2 = 1$ )
- Fit with both models (galaxy clustering + CMB + weak lensing)

Fiducial model

$\beta_2$



$\beta_1$

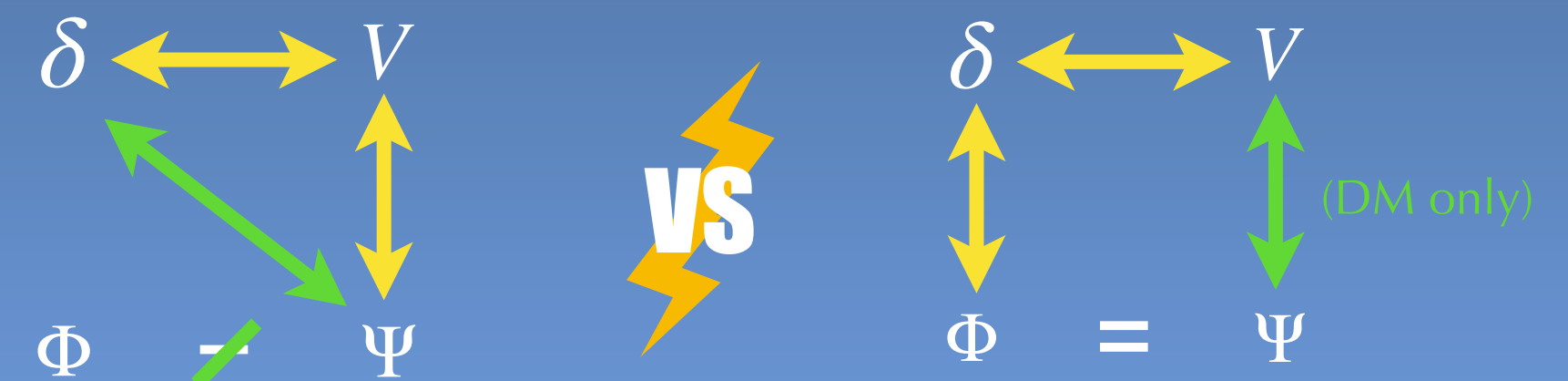
## Gravitational redshift



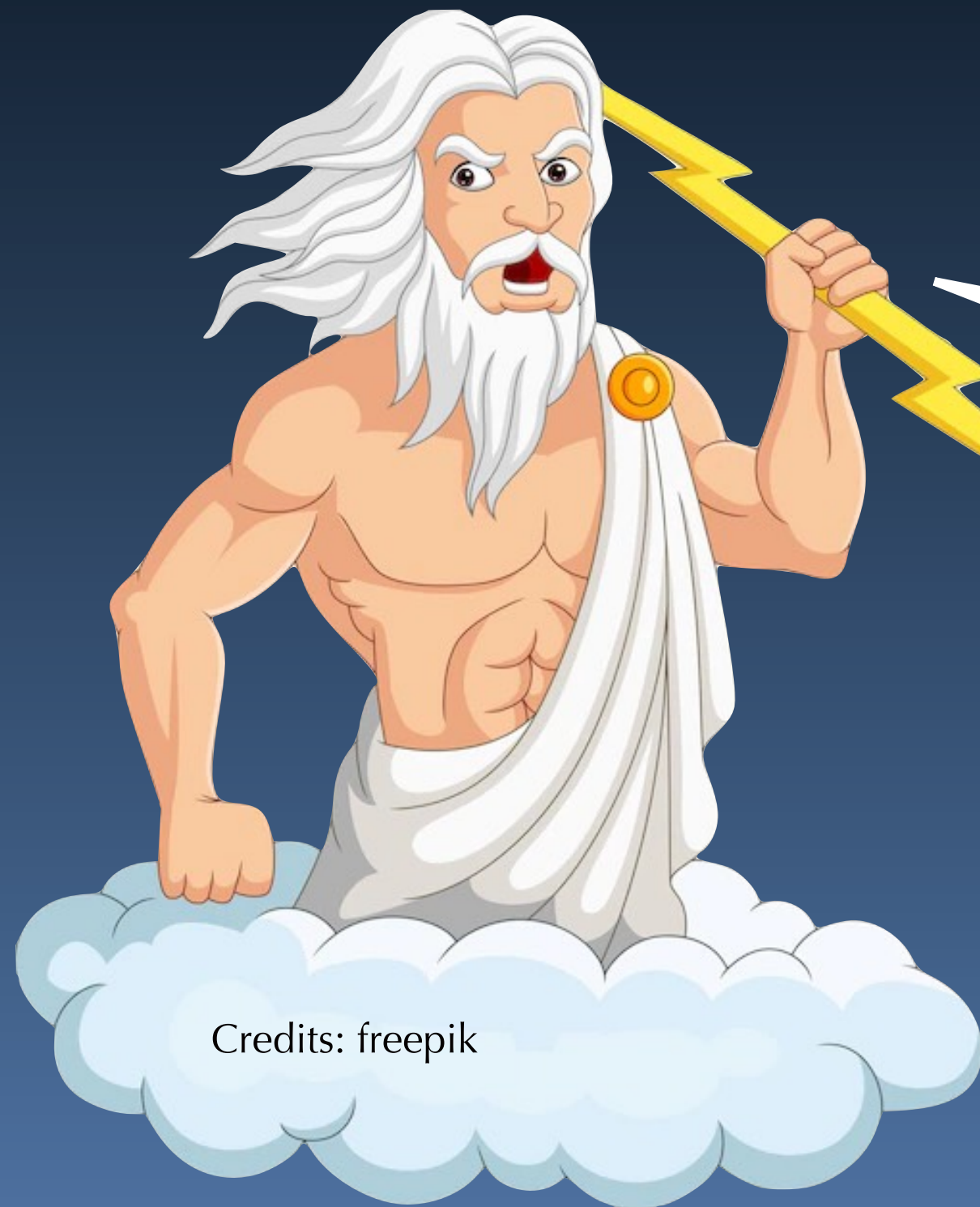
$$\Delta_{\text{gr}} = \frac{1}{\mathcal{H}} \partial_r \Psi$$

McDonald (2009)  
Yoo et al. (2012)  
Bonvin, Hui and Gaztañaga (2014)

- Observable by future surveys
- Direct test of the Euler equation



# Take-home message



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Gravitational redshift can break the degeneracy between modified gravity and a dark fifth force!

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*...or come to visit my poster later!*

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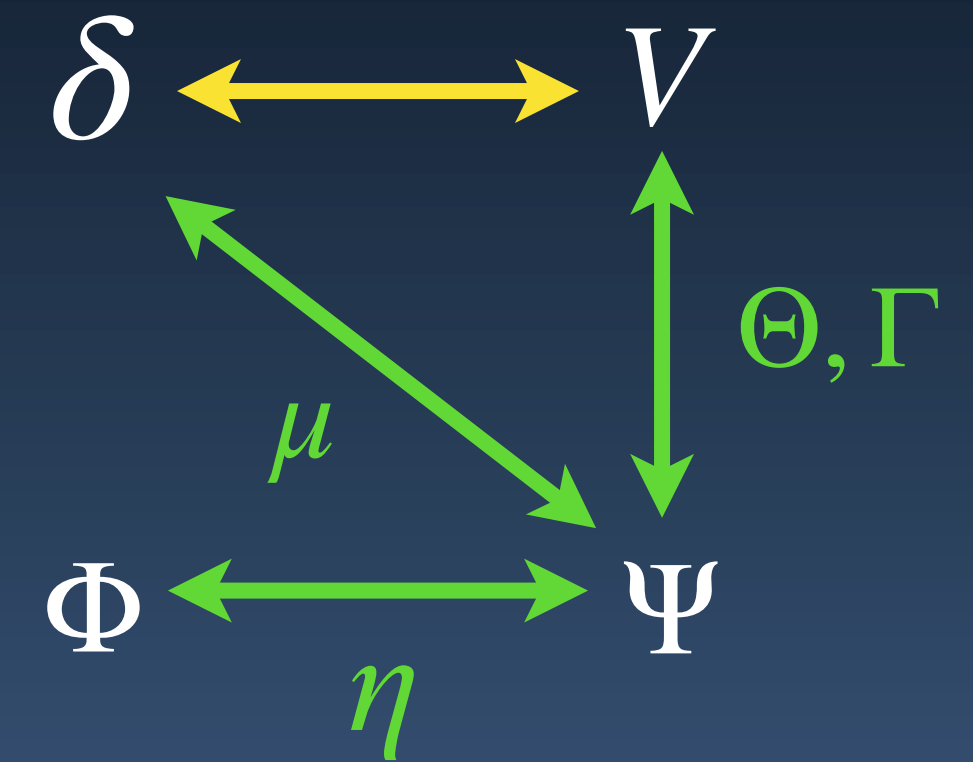


# Additional slides

# Impact on the growth of cosmic structures

$$\delta'' + \left( 1 + \frac{\mathcal{H}}{\mathcal{H}'} + \Theta \right) \delta' - \frac{3}{2} \frac{\Omega_{m,0}}{a} \left( \frac{\mathcal{H}_0}{\mathcal{H}} \right)^2 \mu (\Gamma + 1) \delta = 0$$

Assumption throughout	$\mu(z) = 1 + \mu_0 \Omega_{\Lambda}(z) / \Omega_{\Lambda,0}$ $\Theta(z) = \Theta_0 \Omega_{\Lambda}(z) / \Omega_{\Lambda,0}$ $\Gamma(z) = \Gamma_0 \Omega_{\Lambda}(z) / \Omega_{\Lambda,0}$
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## Enhancement of structure growth

1. Fifth force acting on DM ( $\Gamma > 0$ )
2. Increasing the depth of the gravitational potentials ( $\mu > 1$ )

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→ Impact on  $f = \frac{d \ln \delta}{d \ln a}$  and  $\sigma_8$

# Two-point correlation function

Extract information through correlations:

$$\xi \equiv \langle \Delta(\mathbf{n}, z) \Delta(\mathbf{n}', z') \rangle$$

→ Expansion in Legendre polynomials:

With  $\Delta = \delta + \text{RSD}$ ,

*Kaiser (1987)*  
*Hamilton (1992)*

$$\xi = C_0(z, d) P_0(\cos \beta)$$

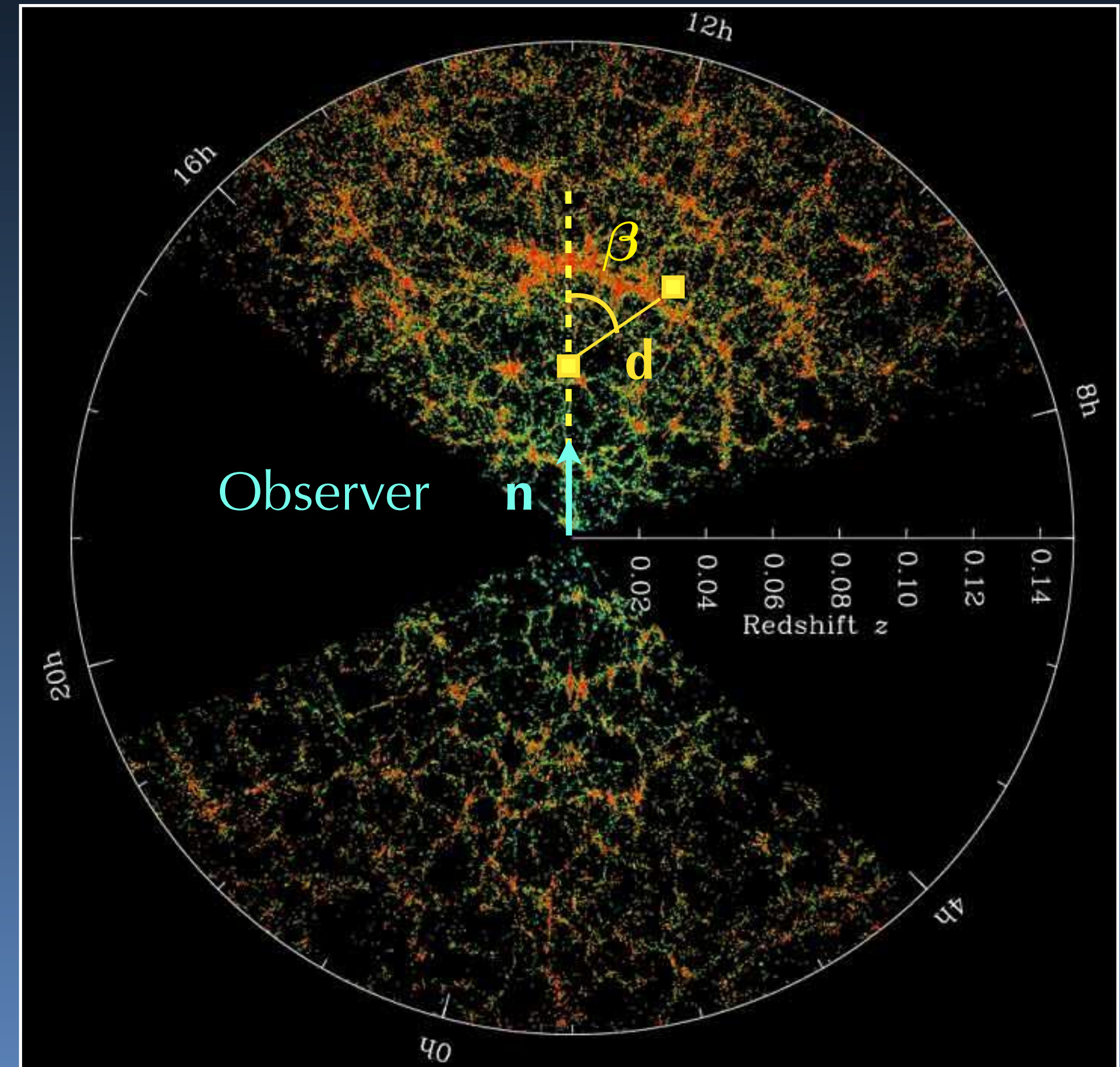
Monopole

$$+ C_2(z, d) P_2(\cos \beta)$$

Quadrupole

$$+ C_4(z, d) P_4(\cos \beta)$$

Hexadecapole



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# Relation with gravity modifications

Monopole  $C_0(z, d) = \left[ \tilde{b}^2(z) + \frac{2}{3} \tilde{b}(z) \tilde{f}(z) + \frac{1}{5} \tilde{f}^2(z) \right] \mu_0(z_*, d)$

Quadrupole  $C_2(z, d) = - \left[ \frac{4}{3} \tilde{f}(z) \tilde{b}(z) + \frac{4}{7} \tilde{f}^2(z) \right] \mu_2(z_*, d)$

Hexadecapole  $C_4(z, d) = \frac{8}{35} \tilde{f}^2(z) \mu_4(z_*, d)$

→  $\mu_l(z_*, d) = \int \frac{dk k^2}{2\pi^2} \frac{P_{\delta\delta}(k, z_*)}{\sigma_8^2(z_*)} j_l(kd)$  constrained by CMB

→  $\tilde{f}(z) = f(z) \sigma_8(z)$  and  $\tilde{b}(z) = b(z) \sigma_8(z)$  measured Affected by gravity modifications

$$\delta'' + \left( 1 + \frac{\mathcal{H}}{\mathcal{H}'} + \Theta \right) \delta' - \frac{3}{2} \frac{\Omega_{m,0}}{a} \left( \frac{\mathcal{H}_0}{\mathcal{H}} \right)^2 \mu (\Gamma + 1) \delta = 0$$

# *Deus ex machina*: relativistic effects

Standard terms

Gravitational redshift

$$\Delta(\mathbf{n}, z) = b\delta - \frac{1}{\mathcal{H}}\partial_r(\mathbf{V} \cdot \mathbf{n}) + \frac{1}{\mathcal{H}}\partial_r\Psi + \frac{1}{\mathcal{H}}\dot{\mathbf{V}} \cdot \mathbf{n} + \mathbf{V} \cdot \mathbf{n}$$

$$+ \left( 5s + \frac{5s - 2}{\mathcal{H}r} - \frac{\dot{\mathcal{H}}}{\mathcal{H}^2} + f^{\text{evol}} \right) \mathbf{V} \cdot \mathbf{n}$$

Doppler terms



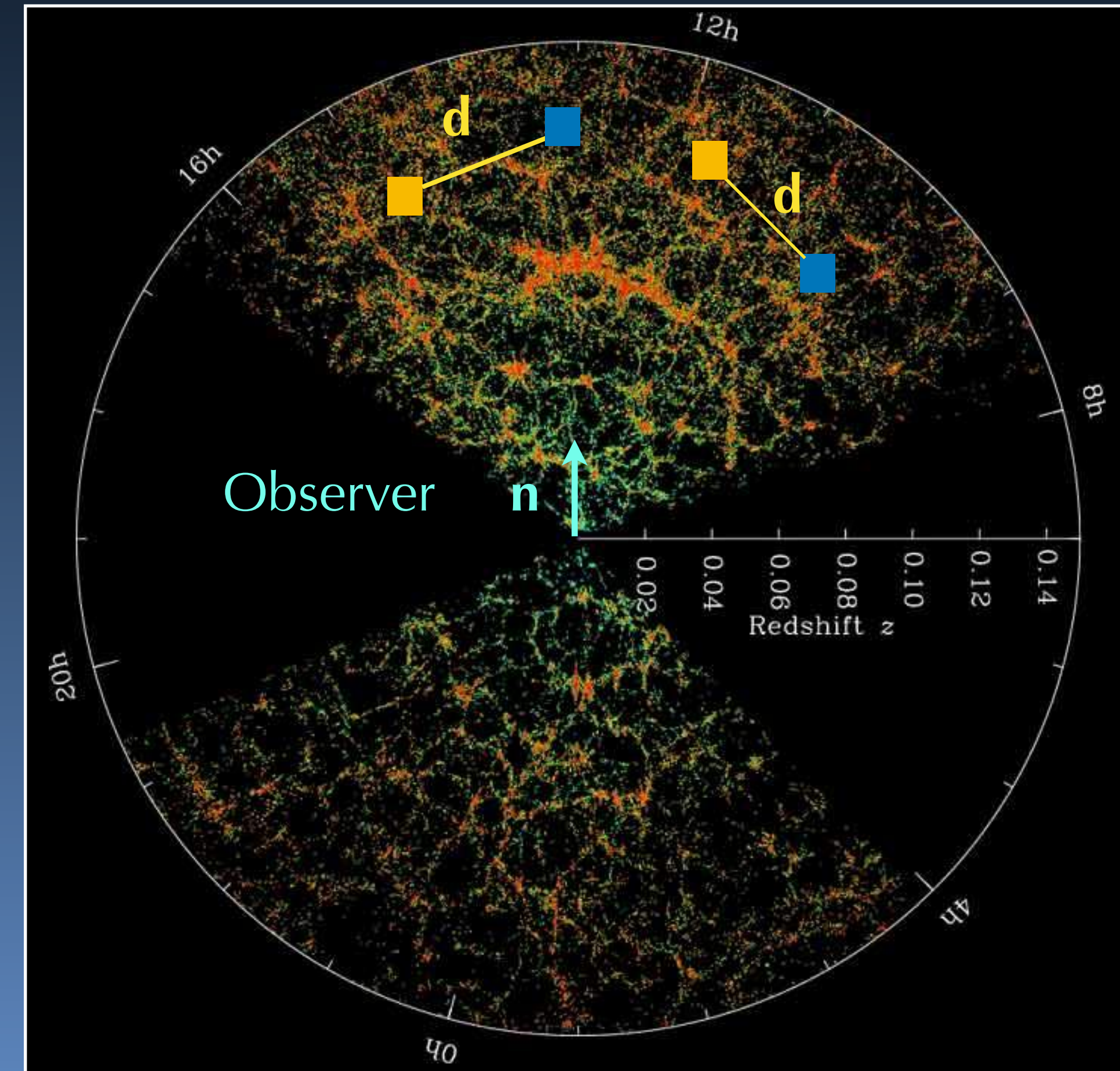
# Extracting the signal from observations

Relativistic effects break the symmetry of  $\xi$

*Bonvin, Hui and Gaztanaga (2014)*

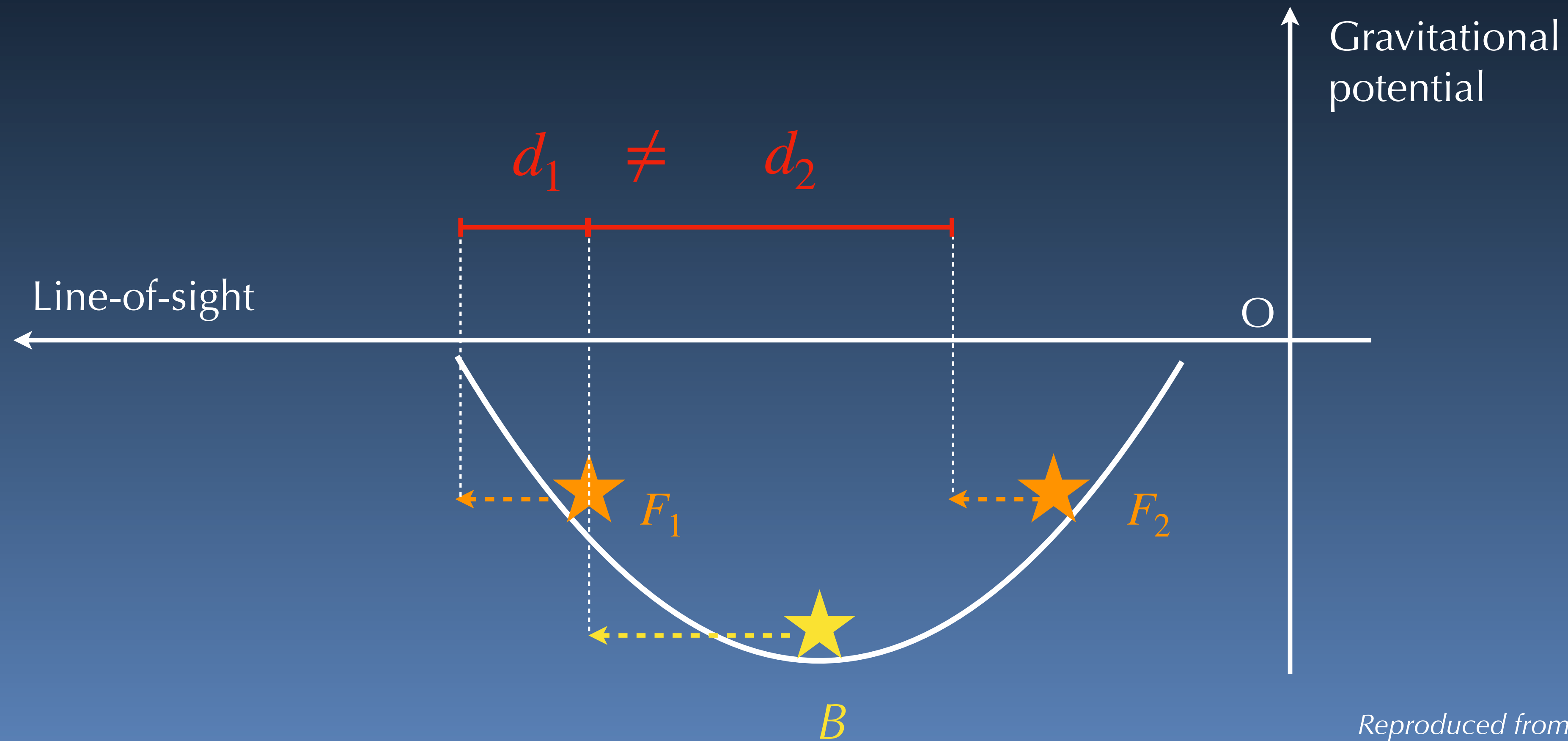
$$C_1(z, d) = \frac{\mathcal{H}}{\mathcal{H}_0} \nu_1(d, z_*) \left[ 5\tilde{f} \left( \tilde{b}_{BSF} - \tilde{b}_{FSB} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{1}{r\mathcal{H}} \right) \right. \\ \left. - 3\tilde{f}^2 \Delta s \left( 1 - \frac{1}{r\mathcal{H}} \right) + \tilde{f} \Delta \tilde{b} \left( \frac{2}{r\mathcal{H}} + \frac{\dot{\mathcal{H}}}{\mathcal{H}^2} \right) \right. \\ \left. + \Delta \tilde{b} \left( \ominus \tilde{f} - \frac{3}{2} \frac{\Omega_{m,0}}{a} \frac{\mathcal{H}_0^2}{\mathcal{H}^2} \Gamma \mu \sigma_8 \right) \right] - \frac{2}{5} \Delta \tilde{b} \tilde{f} \frac{d}{r} \mu_2(d, z_*)$$

Compare  $\mu(\Gamma + 1)$  term in the evolution equation



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# Symmetry breaking by gravitational redshift

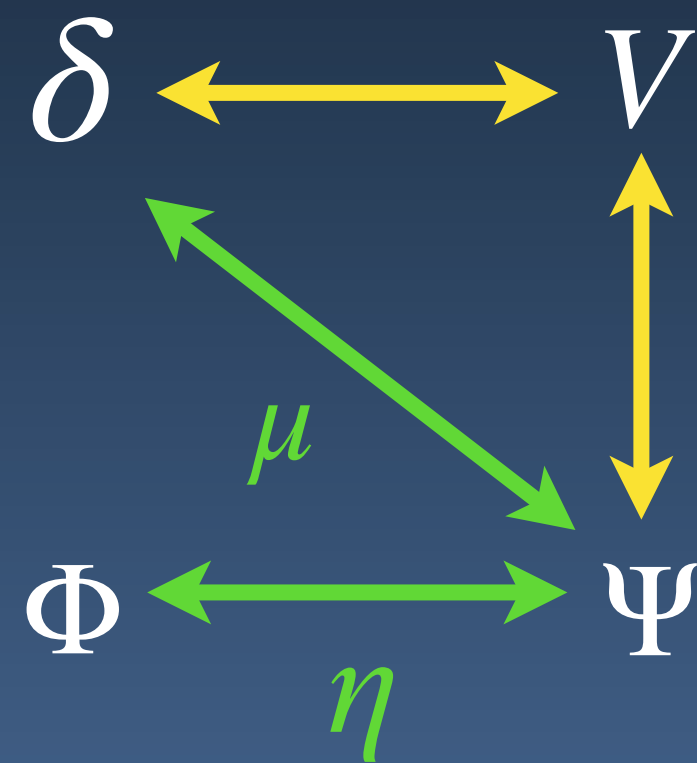


*Reproduced from  
Bonvin, Hui and Gaztañaga (2014)*

# Modified gravity vs dark sector interactions

Bonvin and Pogosian (2022)

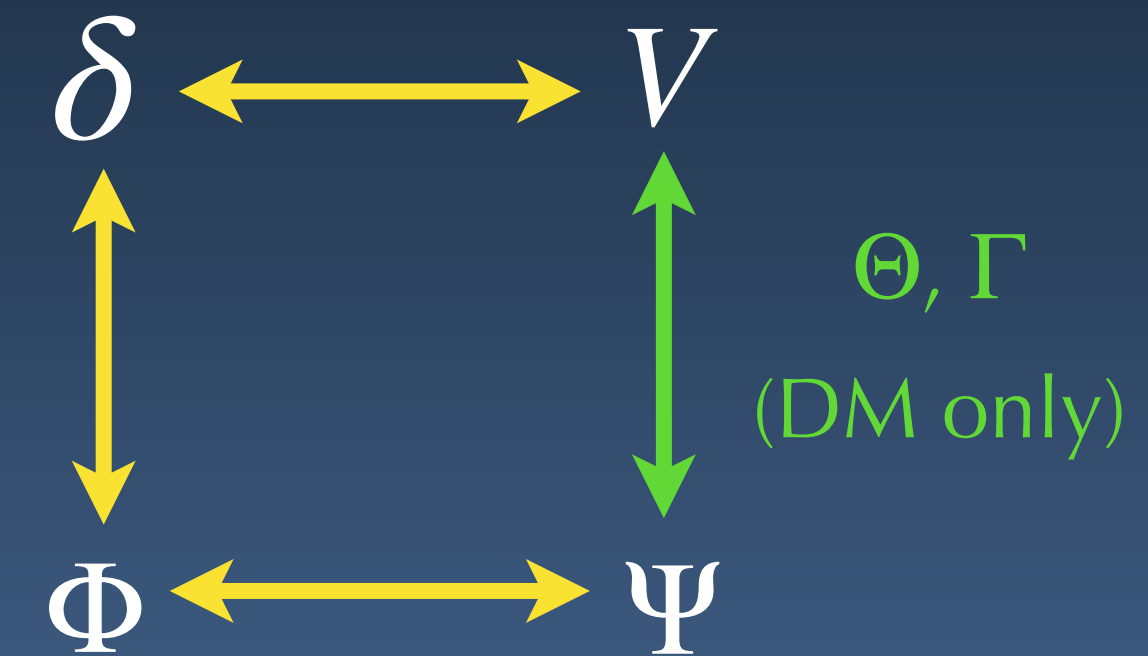
Gravity modifications affecting all constituents ( $\mu, \eta$ )



$$\delta'' + \left(1 + \frac{\mathcal{H}}{\mathcal{H}'}\right) \delta' - \frac{3}{2} \frac{\Omega_{m,0}}{a} \left(\frac{\mathcal{H}_0}{\mathcal{H}}\right)^2 \mu \delta = 0$$



Breaking of the WEP for DM only ( $E^{\text{break}}$ )



$$\delta'' + \left(1 + \frac{\mathcal{H}}{\mathcal{H}'} + \cancel{\Theta}\right) \delta' - \frac{3}{2} \frac{\Omega_{m,0}}{a} \left(\frac{\mathcal{H}_0}{\mathcal{H}}\right)^2 (\Gamma + 1) \delta = 0$$

Negligible

Enhancement of the growth of structure



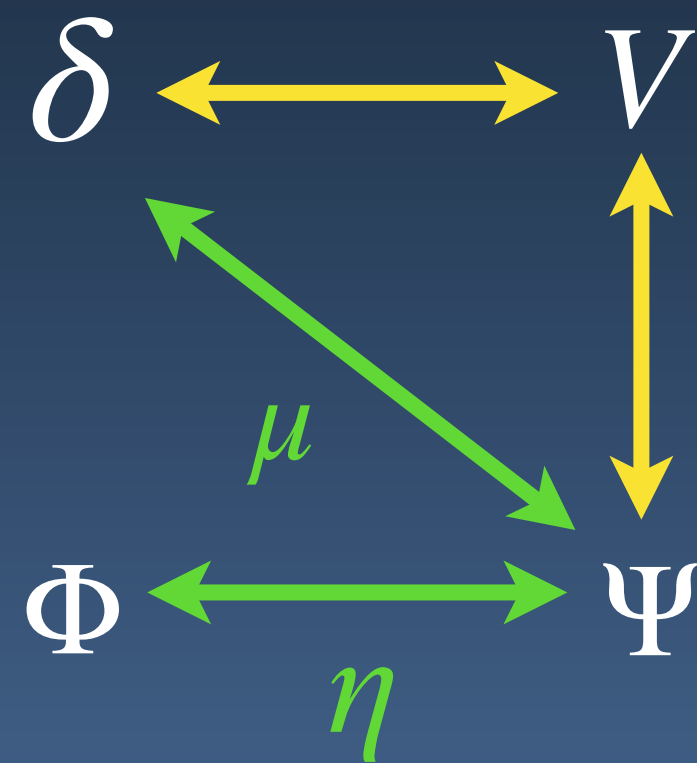
Undistinguishable using RSD measurements



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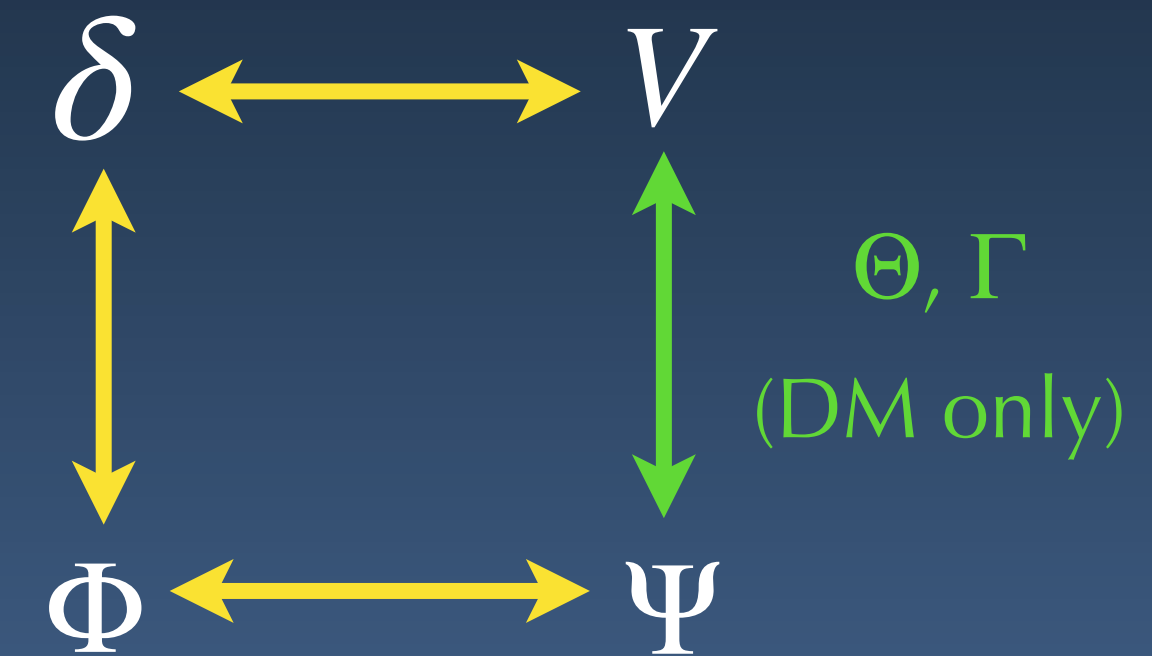
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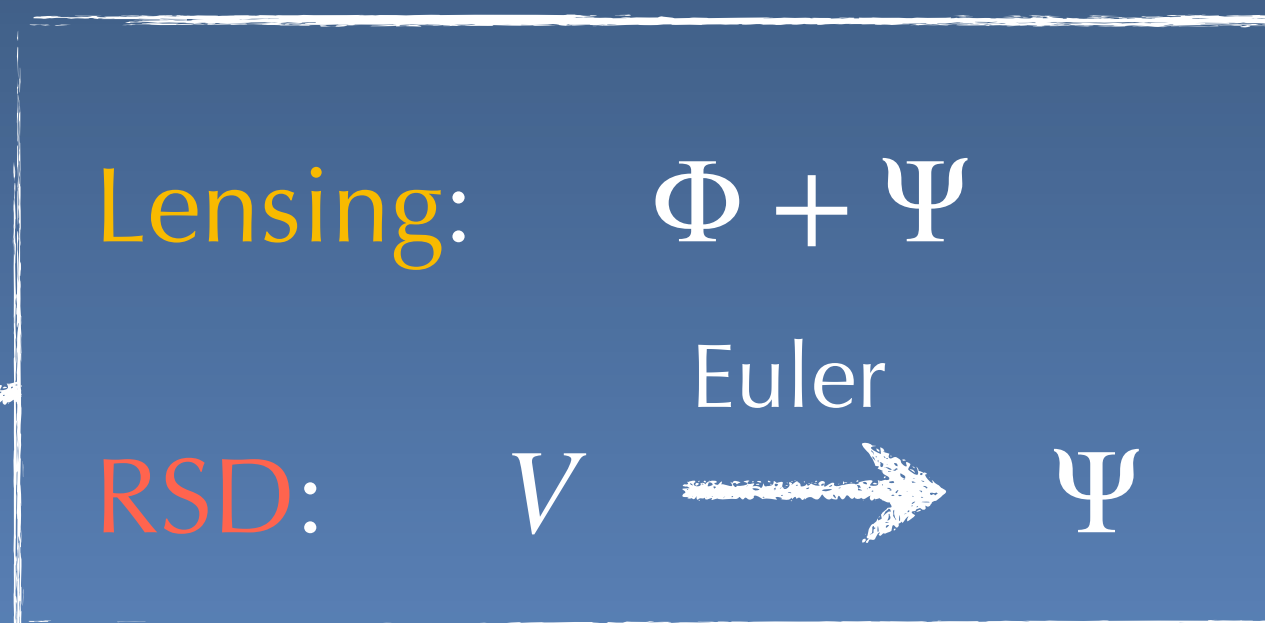


Could we use  $\eta \equiv \frac{\Phi}{\Psi}$  ?

Breaking of the WEP for DM only ( $E^{\text{break}}$ )



Measurements



$$\frac{\Phi + \Psi}{\Psi} = 1 + \eta \neq 2$$

$$\frac{\Phi + \Psi}{\Psi^{\text{eff}}} = 1 + \eta^{\text{eff}} \neq 2$$