



# The Dark Energy Survey science & current status

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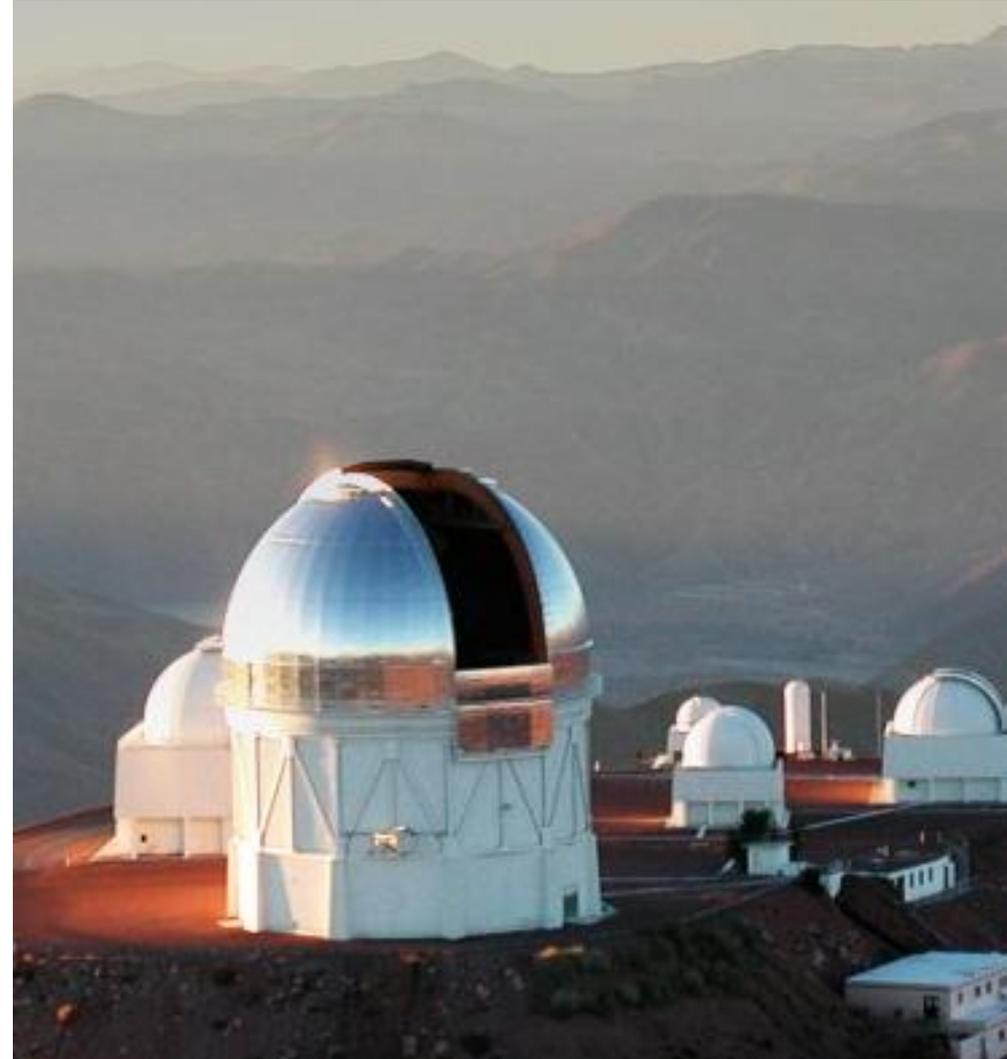
Contribution slides from Josh Frieman & Brenna  
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# Outline

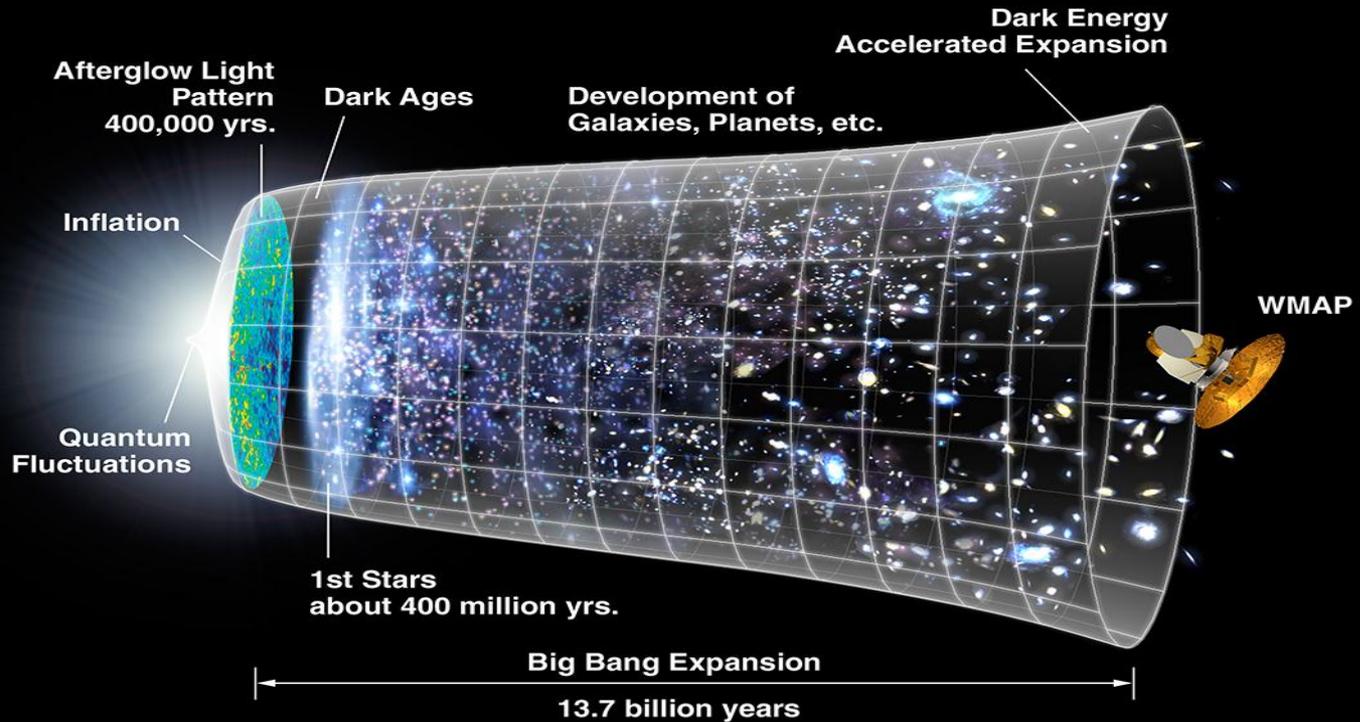
1. Modern Cosmology Framework
2. Weak-Lensing overview (one of the main DES probe)
3. Dark Energy Survey
  - overview
  - survey strategy
  - current status





# Standard model of Cosmology FLRW

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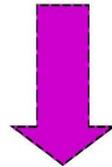


# General relativity and cosmological parameters

Einstein field equations :

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

$g_{\mu\nu}$  RW



Isotropic and homogeneous  
universe

$$H^2 = \frac{\dot{a}(t)}{a(t)} = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \sum_i \rho_i - \frac{k}{a^2}$$

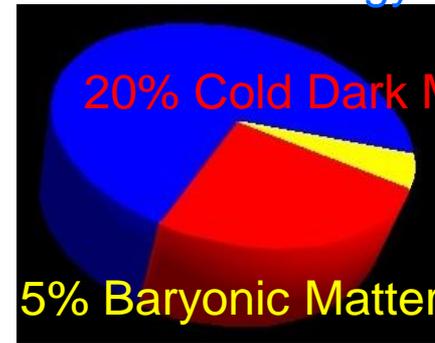
Hubble parameter :  
Parametrisation of the  
expansion



# Cosmological parameters

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75% Dark Energy



20% Cold Dark Matter

5% Baryonic Matter

$$\Omega_k = -\frac{k^2}{a^2 H^2} \quad \Omega_i = \frac{8\pi G}{3H^2} \rho_i$$

Curvature density parameter

$$\Omega_\Lambda$$

Dark Energy density parameter

$$\Omega_m$$

Matter density parameter

$$\Omega_r$$

Radiation density parameter

$$\sum \Omega_i = 1$$

Equation of state for each of these parameters

$$w_i = \frac{p_i}{\rho_i}$$

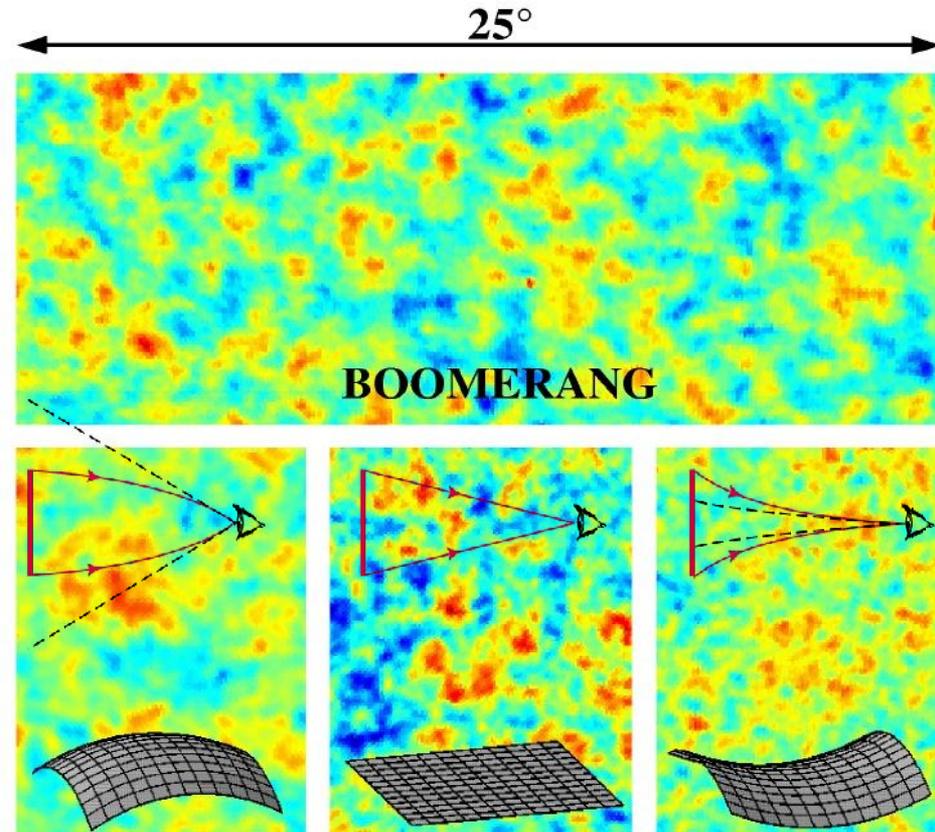
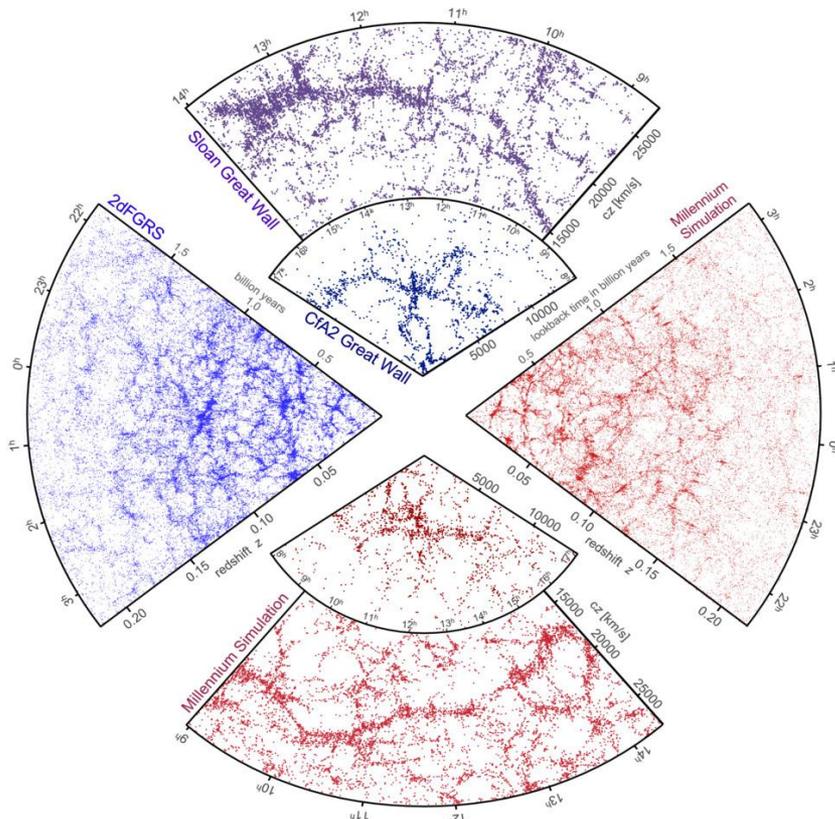
Dark energy equation of state ?



# Cosmological probes

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1. CMB + LSS : The Universe is isotropic and homogeneous on large scale ( $>10\text{-}100\text{Mpc}$ )
2. CMB : The Universe is flat

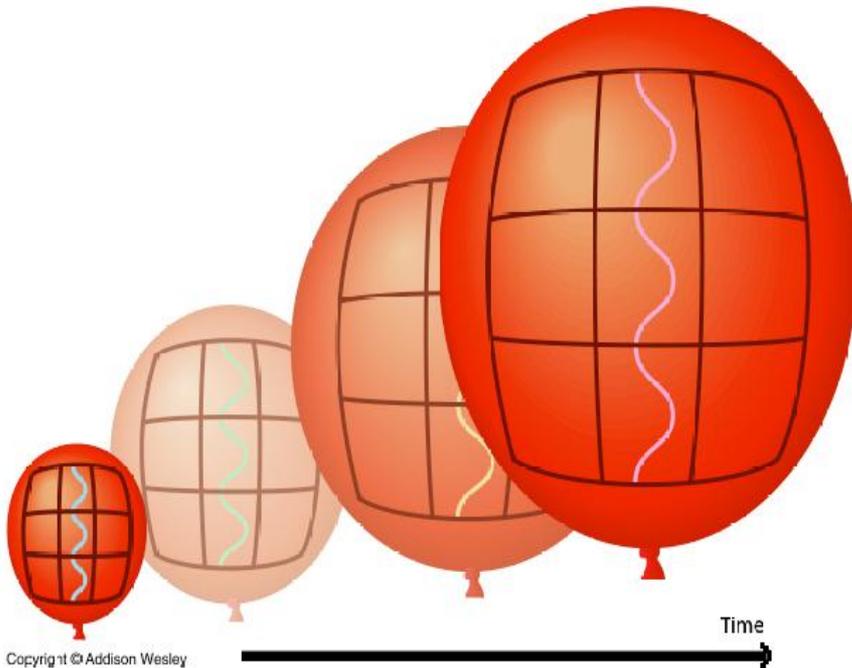




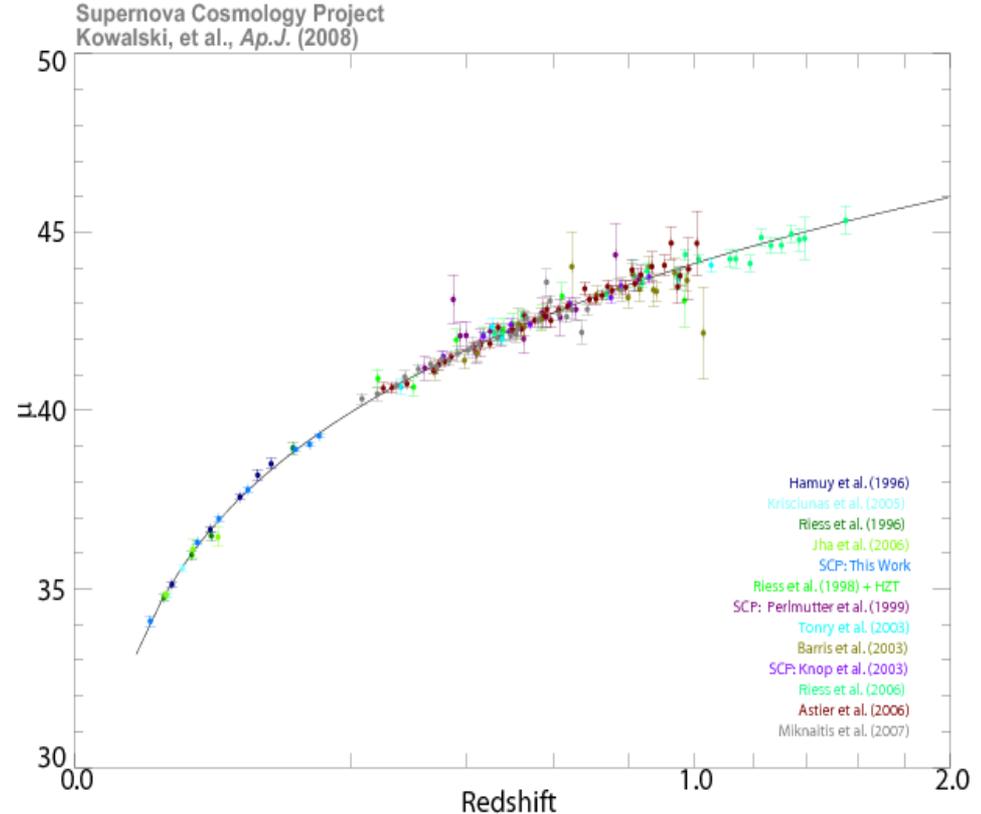
# Cosmological probes

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3. redshift survey : The Universe is in expansion
4. SN : The Universe expansion is accelerating



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# Questions of cosmology

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- What is the nature of Dark Matter ?
- What is the geometry of the Universe ?
- What causes the acceleration of the expansion ?
- What is the nature of Dark Energy ?
- What is the mass content (3D mass map) ?
- Is the GR a good description of the laws of gravity ?
- What is the contribution of neutrinos in the Universe evolution ?



# Cosmological Probes

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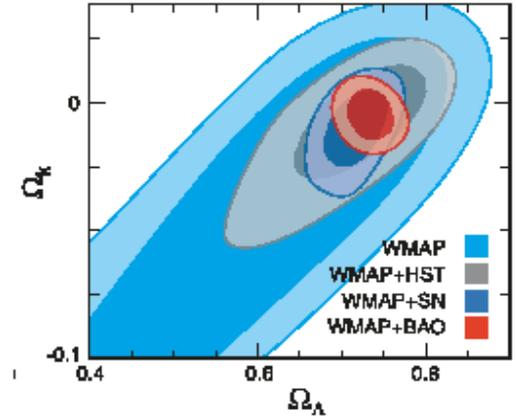
- Nucleosynthesis
- Hubble constant
- CMB: angular distances and ...

- SN: Luminosity distance

- Weak-Lensing: Traces mass of structures and angular distances
- Baryon Acoustic Oscillation: angular distances and Hubble Law
- Redshift distortion

- Cluster counts,  $f_{\text{gaz}}$ , ISW, strong lensing ...

**Main probes of  
future dark energy surveys**





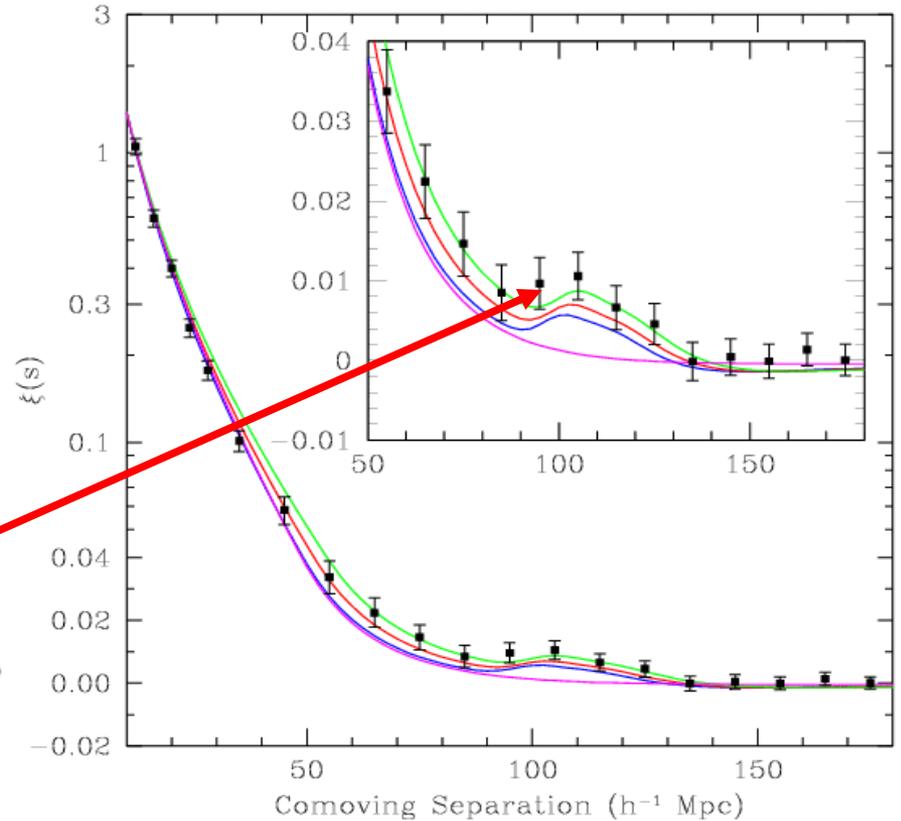
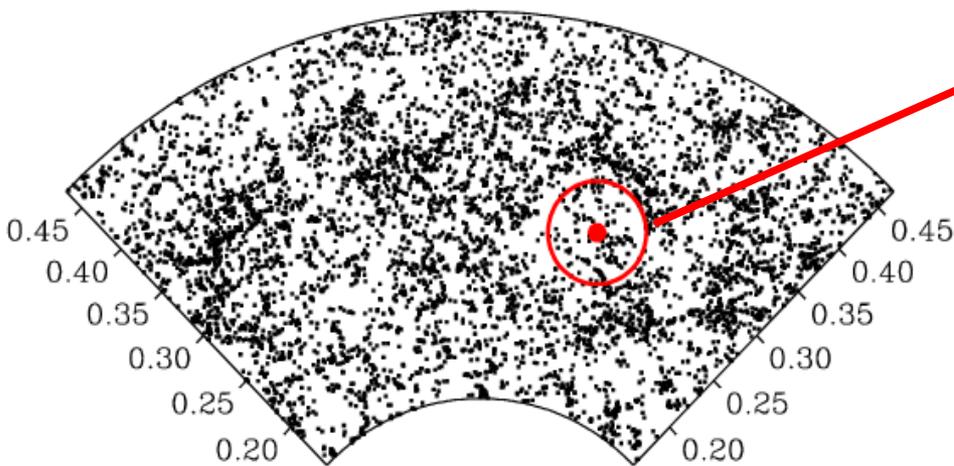
# New Cosmological probes : Baryon Acoustic Oscillation

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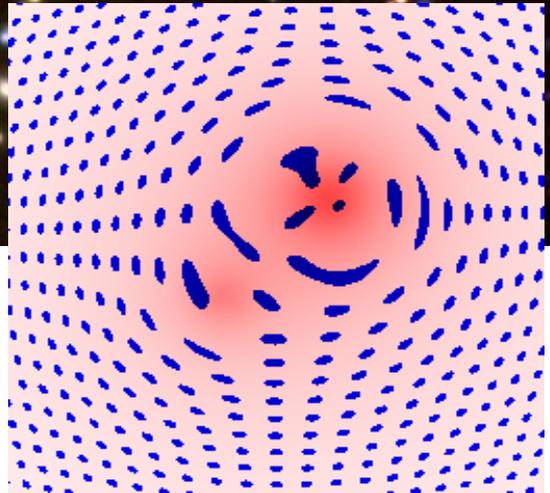
Measuring spatial correlation of galaxies

characteristic scale at which you expect an galaxy over-density  
=> BAO peak

spot size in the CMB



# Gravitational lensing : RG prédiction



Observer

Cluster of Galaxies

Background Galaxy

Non-Linear

Multiple Images

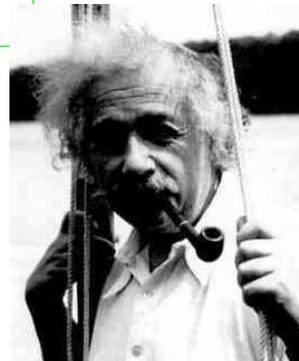
Arclets

Weak Shear

Linear

$$\alpha = \frac{D_{LS}}{D_{OS}} \nabla \varphi \propto M$$

- ..... Optical Path
- Wave Front
- Multiple Images Area



Idea behind WL: (statistical) measurement of galaxy shape deformations induced by LSS gravitational field(s) to infer the spatial/temporal evolution of the latter(s)



**Galaxy Cluster Abell 2218**  
Hubble Space Telescope • WFPC2



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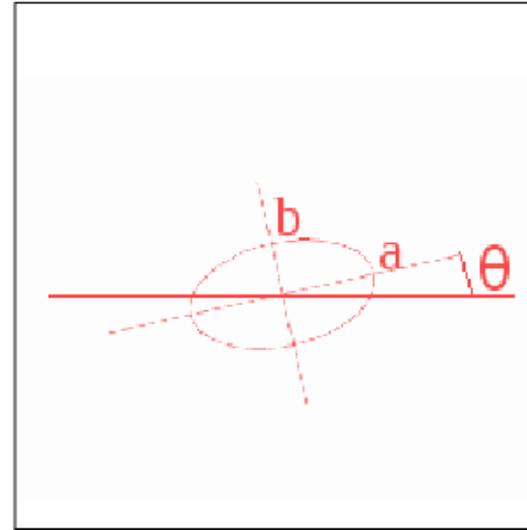
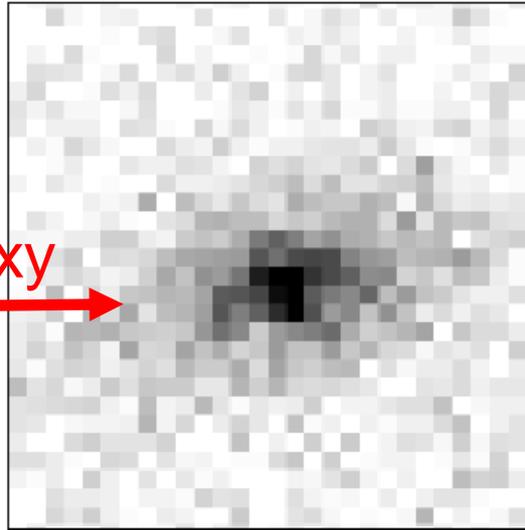




# Weak-Lensing (WL) : methodology

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Image of galaxy



Galaxy shape = intrinsic shape x gravitational shear x instrumental/atmospheric modifications

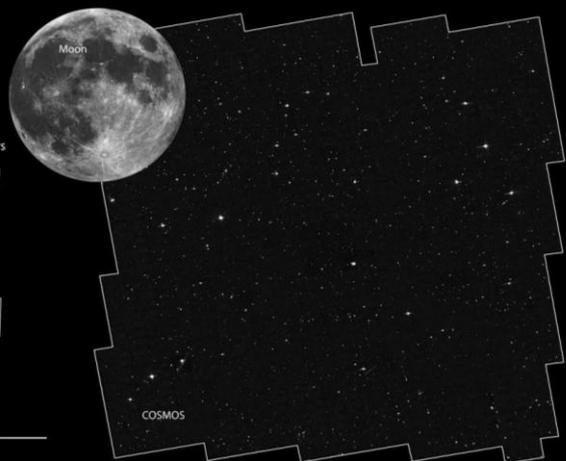
1. Measure the instrumental PSF from stars
2. Measure galaxies ellipticities
3. Remove the PSF from galaxies shapes
4. Calculation of the shear correlation functions



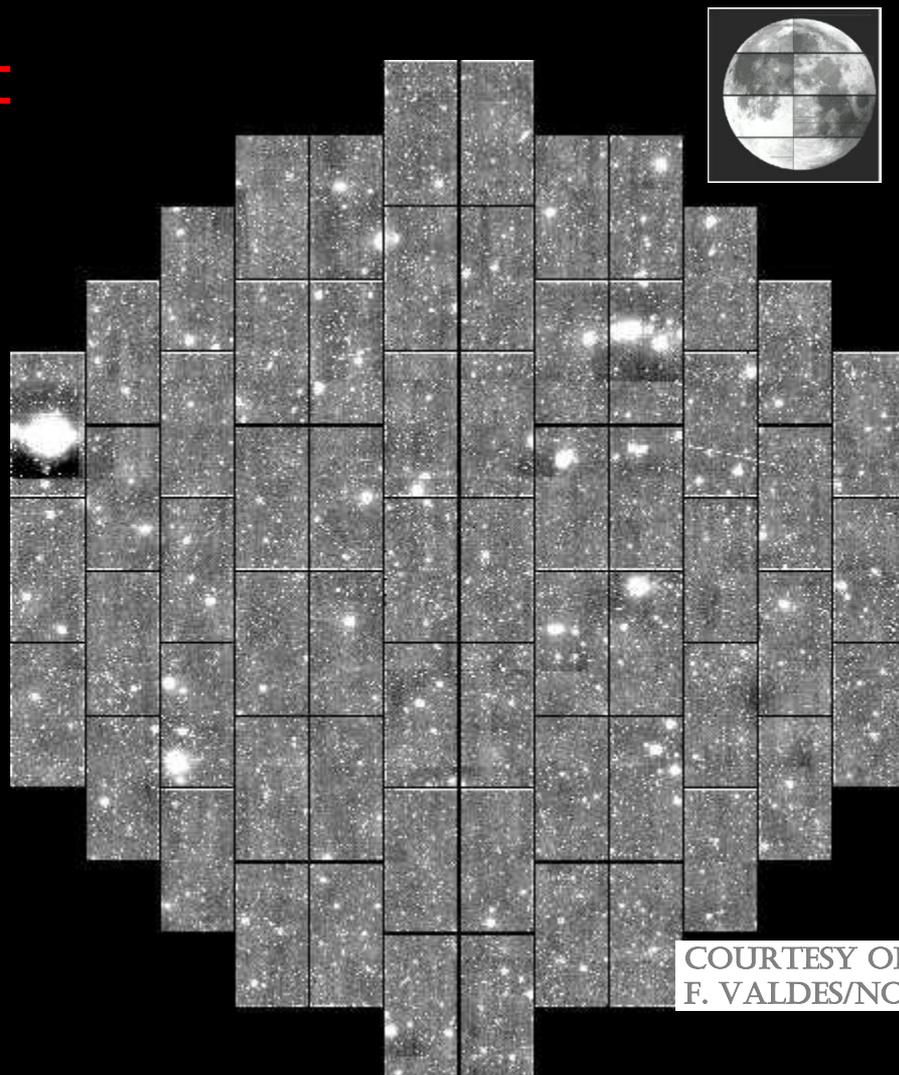
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DES



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F. VALDES/NOAO

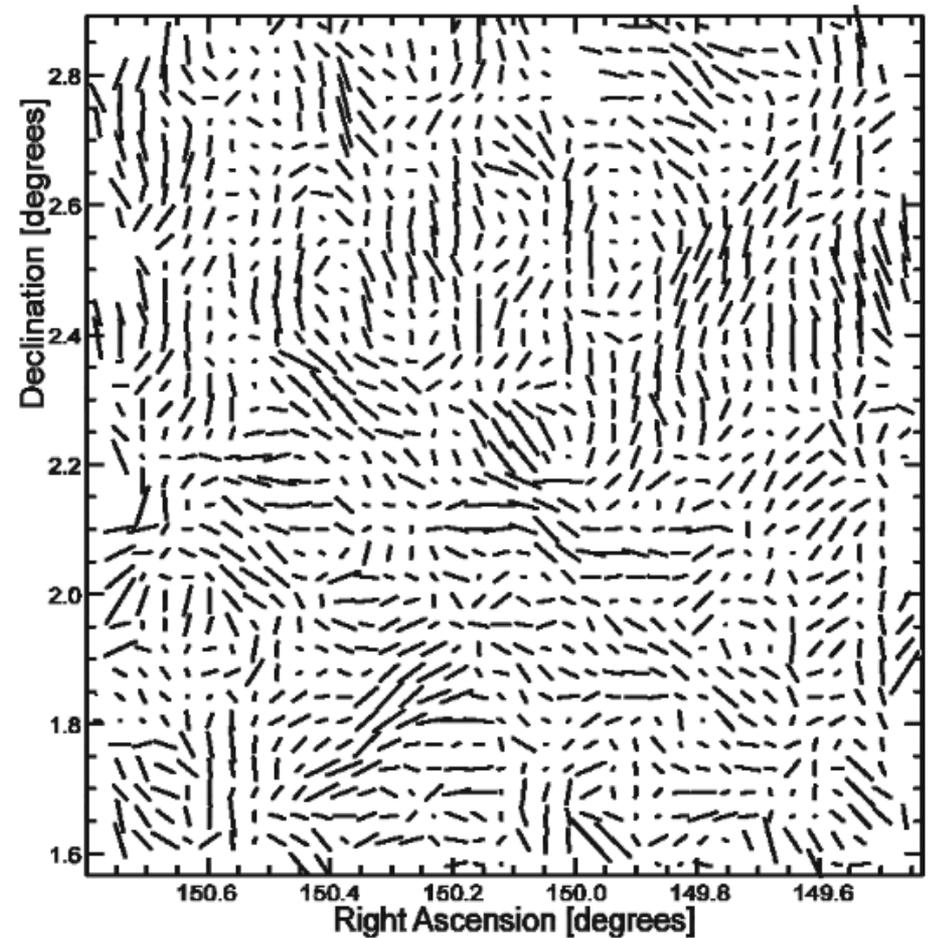
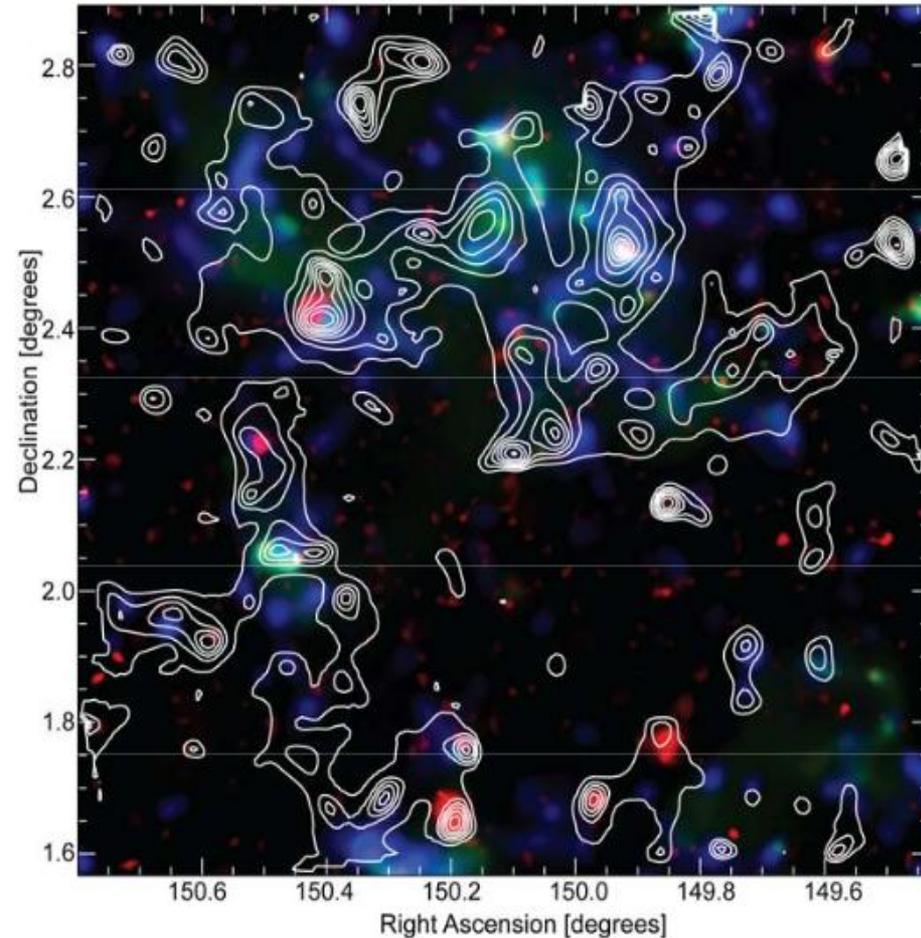
One DES image (3 sq deg)

Cf whole DES survey 5000 sq deg



# WL and Cosmology

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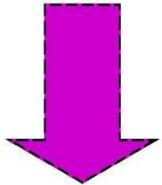
Measure the ellipticity of background galaxies to reconstruct the 2D mass of structures through the shear correlation function



# WL tomography

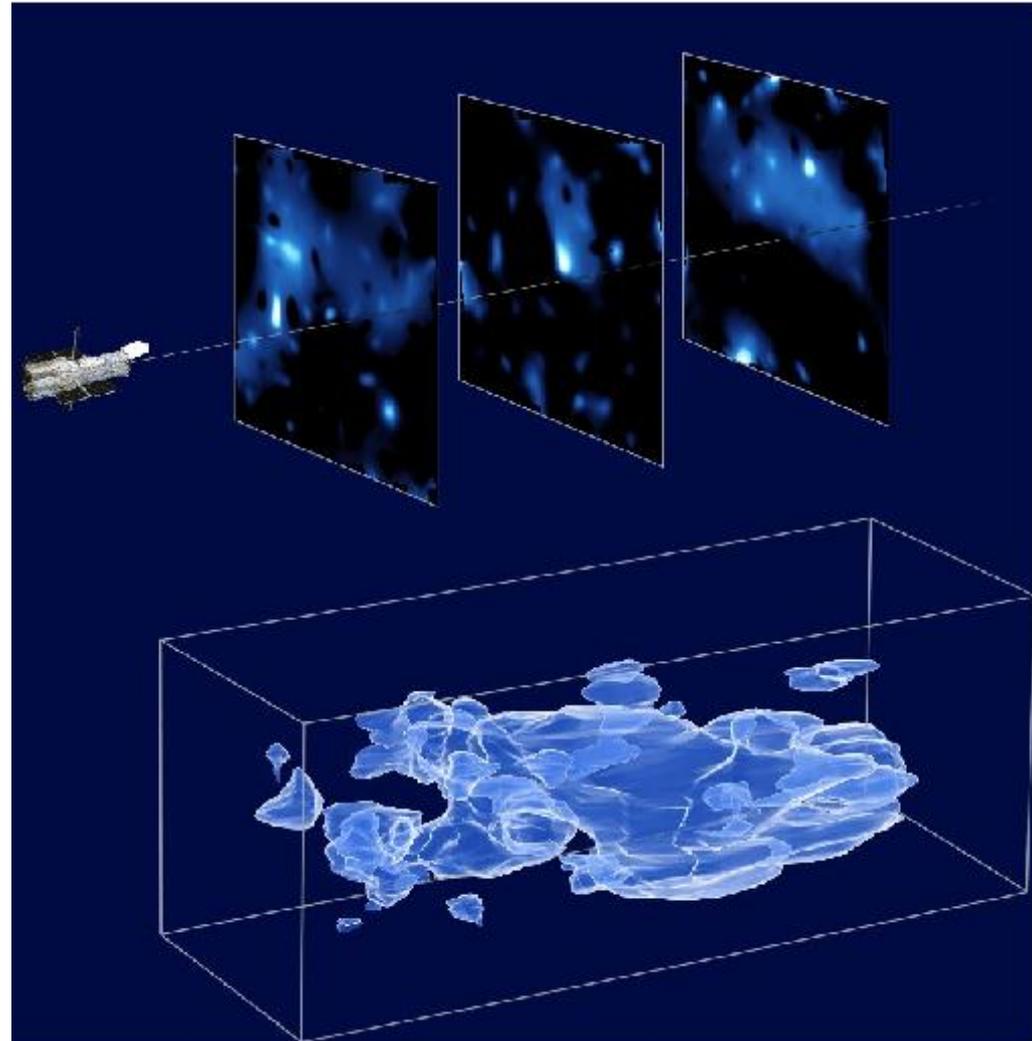
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*Shear correlation function*  
on small and large scale  
structures in redshift slices



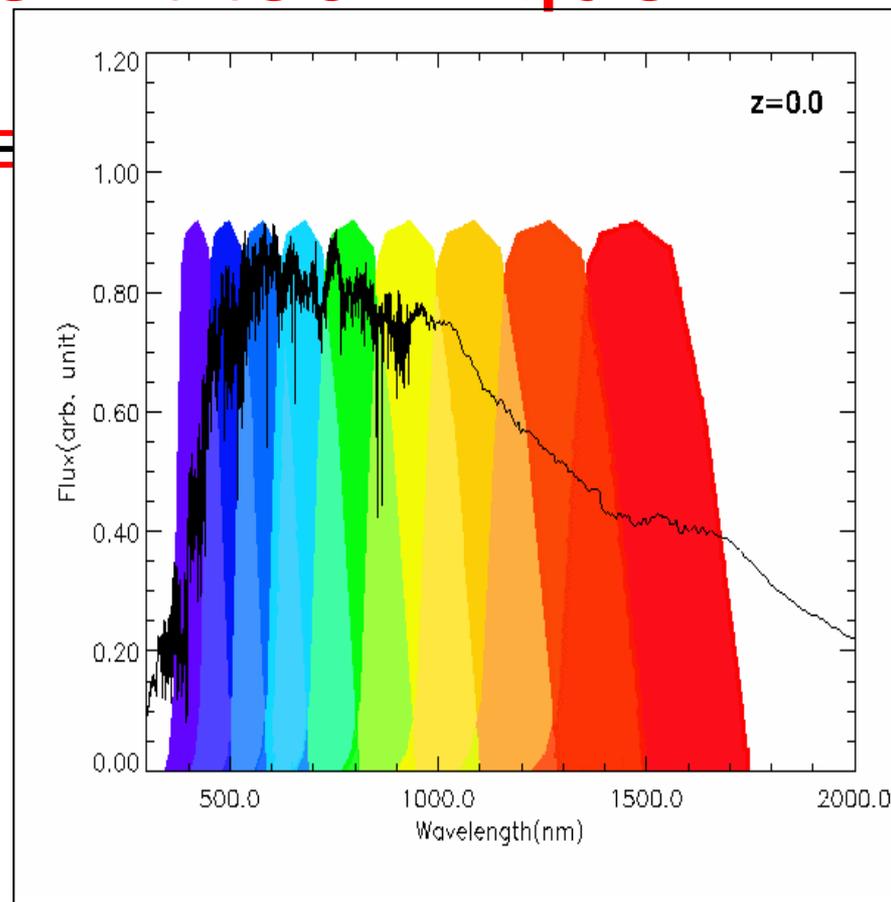
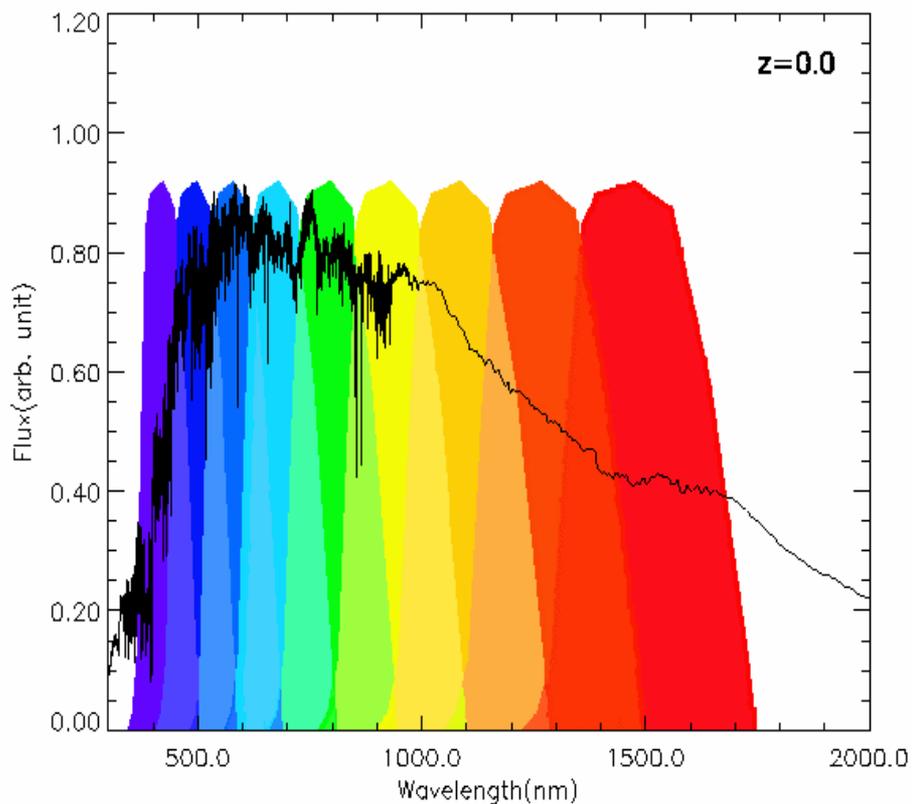
Mass maps of  
the Universe

Measure the growth of  
structure, the cosmological  
parameters



**WL is a weak signal + needs a large number of galaxies with a redshift**

# Photometric redshift technique



Le Phare code Arnouts & Ilbert  
Ilbert et al. 2006, 2009

1. Construction of a library of spectra
2. Integrated through filters => predicted colors

Match between observed and predicted colors with a  $\chi^2$



# Future dark energy mission : Optical/Near-Infrared Observables

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- **Imaging survey:**

- galaxy position: 2D correlation function
- galaxy shape: Weak Lensing
- redshift (Weak lensing & BAO)
- => multi-band photometry
- (transients detection: SuperNovae)

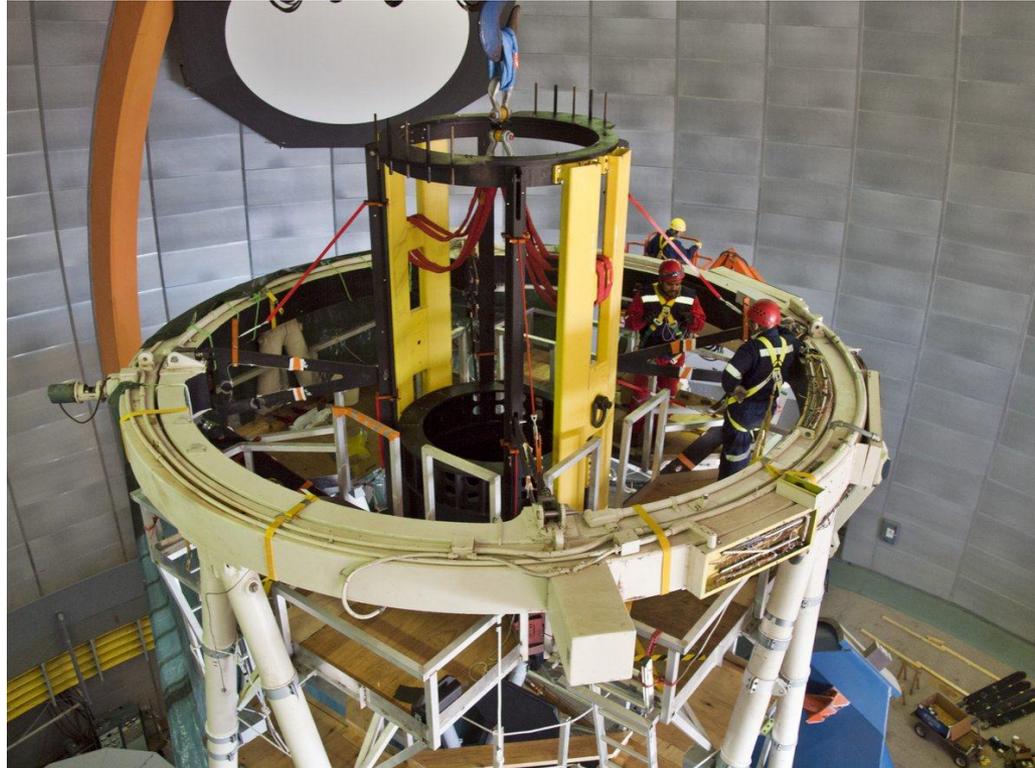
- **Spectroscopic survey:**

- galaxy position: 3D correlation function: BAO & Redshift distortions
- (redshift of SuperNovae Ia)



# Dark Energy Survey Status

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Slides from Josh Frieman  
DOE Pre-Operations Review  
May, 2012



# Physics Nobel Prize 2011

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- Congratulations to DES collaborator Saul Perlmutter, Adam Riess, Brian Schmidt & their teams on the prize for SN discovery of cosmic acceleration using the Blanco
- Highlights the importance of our field & our endeavor
- 1998-present: confirmation of the discovery
- Coming decade: aim to understand *why* the universe is accelerating: dark energy? Modified gravity?  $\Lambda$ ?
- Answer likely to have profound impact on our understanding of fundamental physics
- DES designed to address these questions, using multiple, complementary approaches



# The DES Collaboration

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Fermilab

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign/NCSA

University of Chicago

Lawrence Berkeley National Lab

NOAO/CTIO

Over 120 members  
plus students &  
postdocs



DES Spain Consortium



DES United Kingdom Consortium

University of Michigan



Ohio State University



University of Pennsylvania

DES Brazil Consortium

Funding: DOE, NSF;  
UK: STFC, SRIF;  
Spain Ministry of  
Science, Brazil:  
FINEP, Ministry of  
Science, FAPERJ;  
Germany: Excellence  
Cluster; collaborating  
institutions



Argonne National Laboratory

SLAC-Stanford-Santa Cruz Consortium

Universitats-Sternwarte Munchen

Texas A&M University

plus Associate members at: Brookhaven National Lab,

U. North Dakota, Paris, Taiwan





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# The DES Collaboration (Oct 2010)

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# The Dark Energy Survey

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- Stage III DE project using 4 complementary\* techniques:
    - I. Cluster Counts
    - II. Weak Lensing
    - III. Large-scale Structure
    - IV. Supernovae
  - Two multiband surveys:
    - 5000 deg<sup>2</sup> *grizY* to 24th mag
    - 30 deg<sup>2</sup> repeat (SNe)
  - Build new 3 deg<sup>2</sup> FOV camera and Data management system
- Survey 2012-2017 (525 nights)

## Blanco 4-meter at CTIO



\*in systematics & in cosmological parameter degeneracies  
\*geometric+structure growth: test Dark Energy vs. Gravity



# DES Science Summary

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## Four Probes of Dark Energy

### • Galaxy Clusters

- ~100,000 clusters to  $z > 1$
- Synergy with SPT
- Sensitive to growth of structure and geometry

### • Weak Lensing

- Shape measurements of 200 million galaxies
- Sensitive to growth of structure and geometry

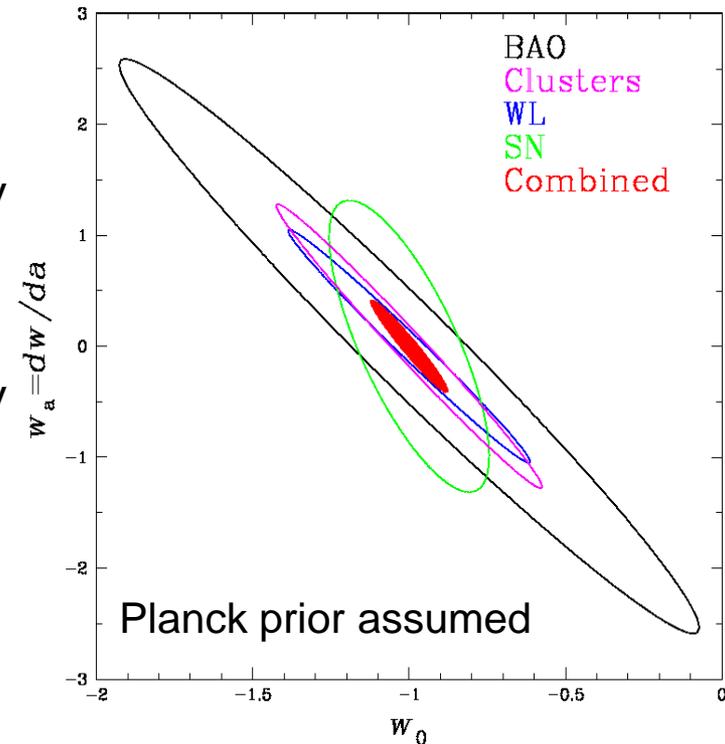
### • Large-scale Structure (BAO)

- 300 million galaxies to  $z = 1$  and beyond
- Sensitive to geometry

### • Supernovae

- 30 sq deg time-domain survey
- ~4000 well-sampled SNe Ia to  $z \sim 1$
- Sensitive to geometry

## Forecast Constraints on DE Equation of State



**Factor 3-5 improvement over  
Stage II DETF Figure of Merit**



# Project Structure & Timeline: Construction

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- 3 Construction Projects:
    - DECam (hosted by FNAL; DOE supported)
    - Data Management System (NCSA; NSF support)
    - CTIO Facilities Improvement Project (NSF/NOAO)
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- Project initiated 2003
  - DECam R&D 2004-9
  - Instrument construction, integration, testing 2008-11; DECam complete. DESDM development continuing
  - All DECam components shipped to Chile and checked out (except CCD spares)



# Project Structure & Timeline: Toward Operations

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## Installation schedule v8.7

- Telescope shutdown for Installation began Feb. 20, 2012
- Old prime focus cage removed, mid-April
- Practice installation of new cage (empty), April 23
- Installation of new cage (with corrector), early May
- Rebalance and dress telescope with cables and hoses, June-July
- Imager installation on telescope: Aug. 2012
- Imager first light on telescope: Sept. 1, 2012
- Commissioning and Science Verification\*: Sept.-mid. Nov. 2012
- Survey: ~late-Nov. 2012-late 2017 (typically 105-night seasons)

\*At end of SV, CTIO Director recommends to NOAO Director that DECam System be accepted for science operations for community and DES: system should meet community and DES requirements



# Tremendous Recent Progress

- . Prime focus cage, hexapod, corrector barrel with lenses, filters, filter changer, shutter, imager with CCDs, cooling system all safely arrived on the mountain, tested, and many components installed, including SISPI computers, RASICAM, new flat screen.
- . CTIO glycol system overhauled, clean room prepared
- . Installation has begun and well underway
- . Data Management secured major NSF grant for operations; progress on astronomy codes, processing capability, database, data access; release of Data Challenge DC6B to collaboration Oct. 2011
- . Progress on Community Pipeline, v1.3 installed at NOAO and being tested
- . Collaboration actively engaged in data quality testing and analysis code development and testing.



# DECam at CTIO

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# Blanco Telescope Upgrades

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- CTIO Facilities Improvement Project –
  - Primary mirror radial supports redesigned & swapped out
  - Telescope Control System upgraded
  - Telescope Environmental Control System improved
  - Various other Facility Improvements completed or underway:
    - Clean Room built inside the Blanco Coudé Room
    - Upgrades to the building glycol system
    - Relocated and enlarged Control Room & Computer Room
    - Installation of utility & cryogen lines for DECam and NEWFIRM
    - Enhanced bandwidth from La Serena to the USA
    - Data Transport System for reliable data transfer



# Landscape of (Potential) Collaborating Projects

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- South Pole Telescope (SPT)
  - 2500 sq deg completed. MOU to facilitate collaboration approved
- Vista Hemisphere Survey (VHS)
  - Deeper JHK imaging over DES footprint underway. MOU will be drafted
- Vista VIDEO Survey
  - Near-coincident NIR imaging of SN fields planned. Informal agreement exists
- eBOSS: participated in internal proposal to AS3, discussions underway
- BigBOSS: Joint Working Group just reported. Revised footprint overlaps ~600 sq deg w/ BigBOSS/eBOSS. Larger overlap would degrade image quality, given 525-night constraint. Solution: e(xtended)-DES, in collaboration w/ other projects, optimally scheduled with DES.
- DESpec: spectroscopy over DES/LSST footprints
- Euclid: letter of support for collaboration, will discuss in Munich
- Skymapper, HSC, PanSTARRS, LSST: cross-calibration
- Community users of DECam
  - DECam Community Use Workshop demonstrated community interest in mini-survey-scale projects and in collaboration with DES. Discussion of north equatorial survey.



# Concluding Remarks

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- **DES project** has made great progress over the last year, though with some schedule slippage.
- **DECam** complete.
- **Installation** well underway.
- **Commissioning and transition to survey operations** this year: commissioning and operations plans exist, details being refined, Year-1 science program/strategy mature & flexible.
- **Data Management system** has made good recent progress, but needs support to deliver on science requirements and operational readiness; will need to phase in functionality.
- **SWG activity** continuing to ramp up and will be critical during commissioning, Science Verification, and early operations.
- **We will soon have a fantastic instrument on a world-class telescope and embark on a great, discovery-filled survey.**



# DECam Project and DES Operations Management

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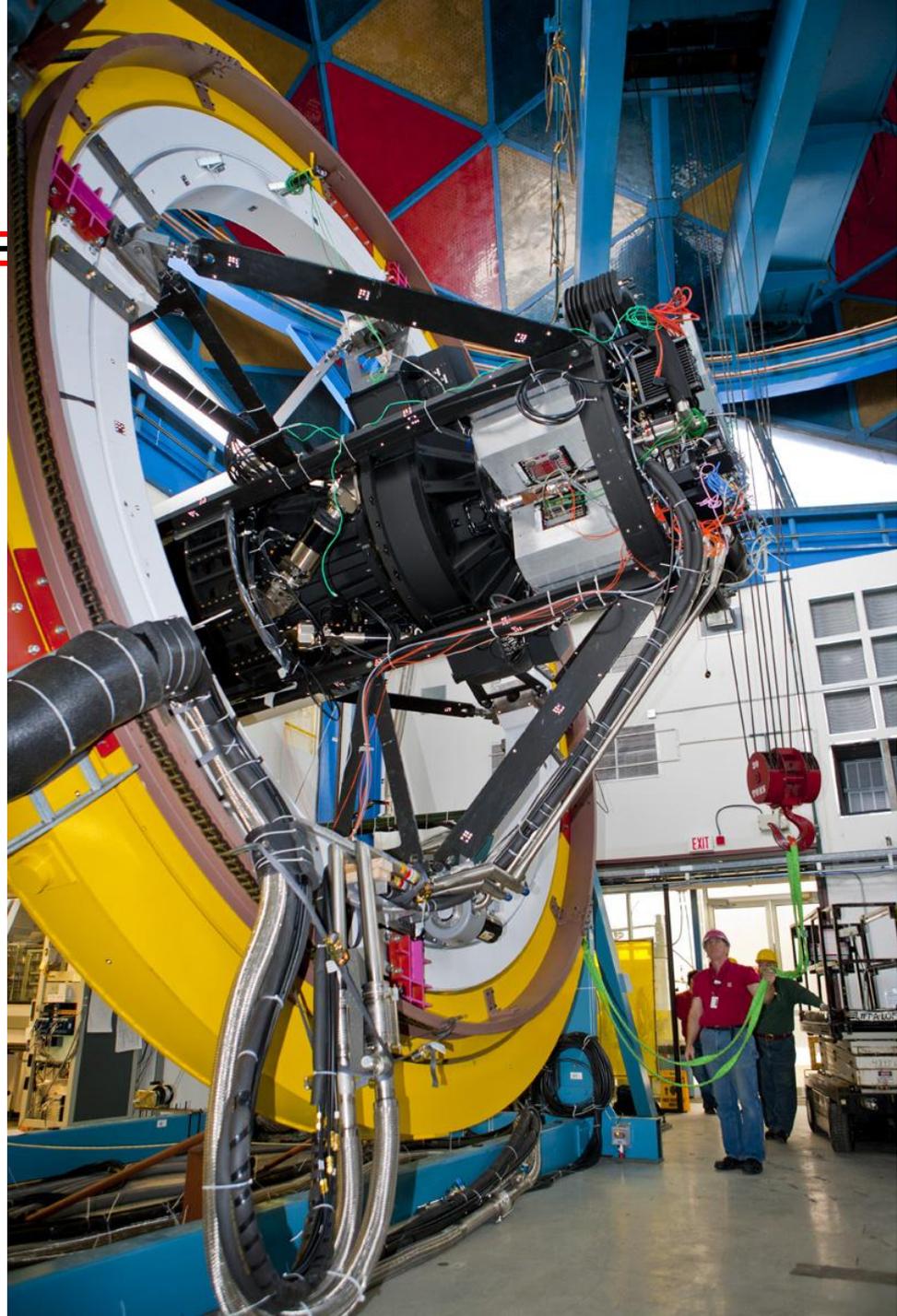
**Slides from Brenna Flaughter,  
DECam Project Manager, DES Operations Manager**



# Dec. 2010

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- Most DECam systems complete and full system tests (except the optics) on telescope simulator
- Imager with 28 CCDs installed, Filter changer, shutter, hexapod, LN2 cooling, CCD readout crate cooling, all exercised in multiple positions.
- Mock Observing Feb. 2011
- Rest of 2011:
  - Packing, shipping, checkout in Chile
  - Installation of science CCDs in imager



# Shipping

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## Large heavy parts were shipped by boat

- Oct 2010 F/8 handling system
- June 2011 Cooling system parts
- Aug 2011 Cage, NW platform, etc.
- Dec 2011 Final cooling sys parts

## More delicate pieces by truck and air

- May 2011 RASICAM
- June 2011 Hexapod, Filter Changer and Shutter
- June 2011 Parts of LN2 Cooling system
- July 2011 i and z filters (from Japan to Chile) [delayed by volcano eruption]
- Aug. 2011 r and y filters (from Japan to Chile)
- Nov 2011 The Imager (with CCDs installed!)
- Dec 2011 The corrector (with lenses installed)
- April 2012 The g filter!





# July 25-Aug. 5: Shutter, FCM, Hexapod testing @ CTIO

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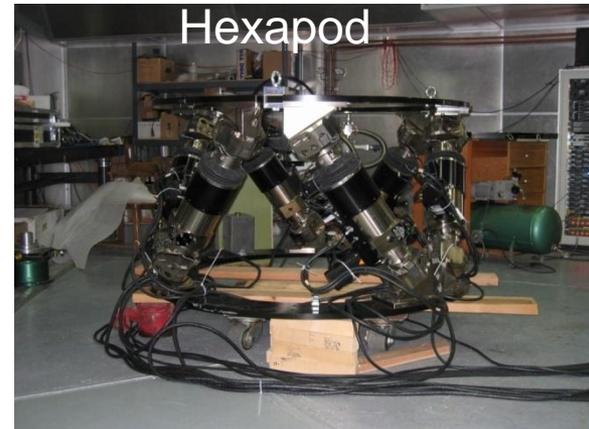
Tom Diehl exercising the shutter



Filter changer operating  
in the Coudé room



- Hexapod operating at CTIO



Team of 3 -7 people from  
Fermilab in Chile from  
early July – Mid August



A year ago (May 2011) we were just starting to install science grade CCDs into the imager

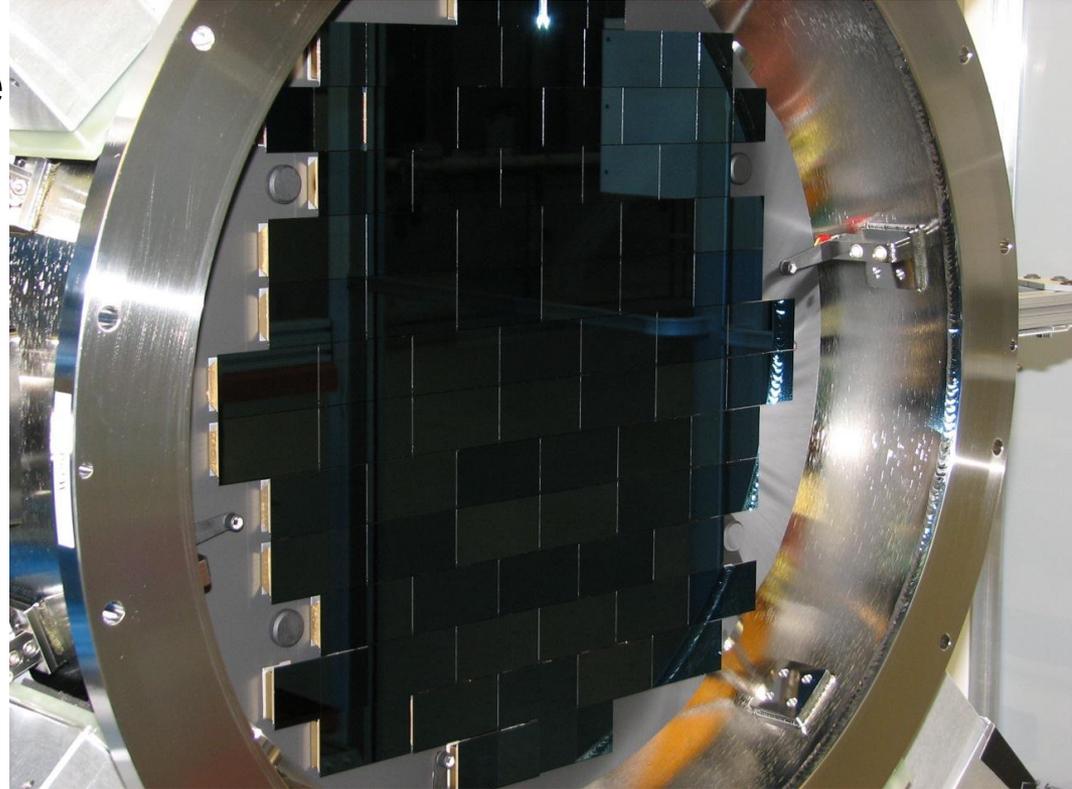
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By end of July 2011 imager had all the science grade CCDs installed and tested.

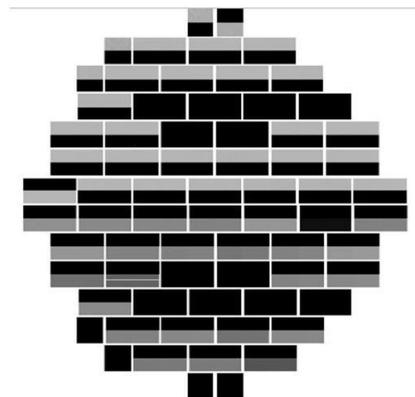
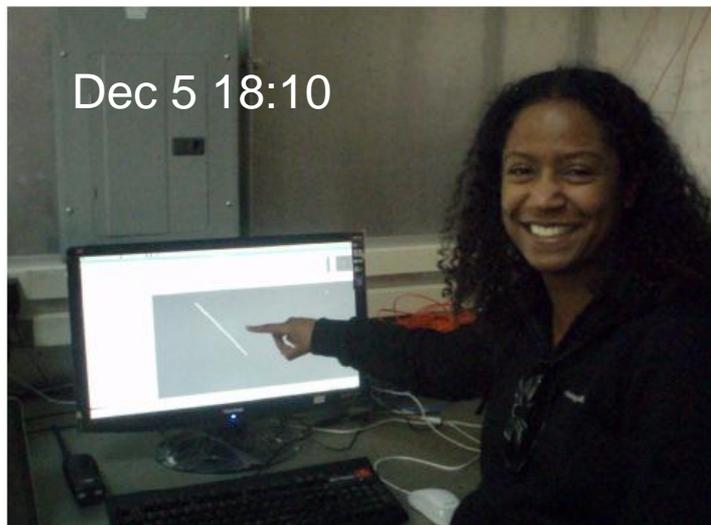
~ 2 years experience with CCDs in prototype imager helped this go smoothly





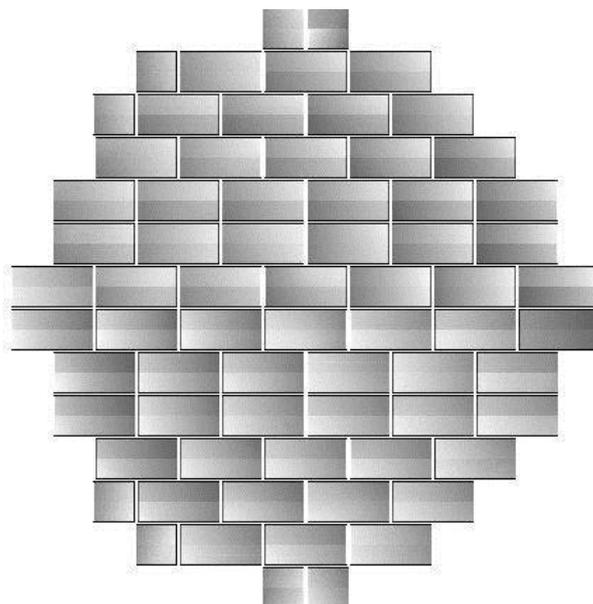
# Cooled down & Reading Out!

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Later on Dec. 5

The horizontal line 5<sup>th</sup> row up 2<sup>nd</sup> ccd over is a ds9 display artifact, not a bad column.



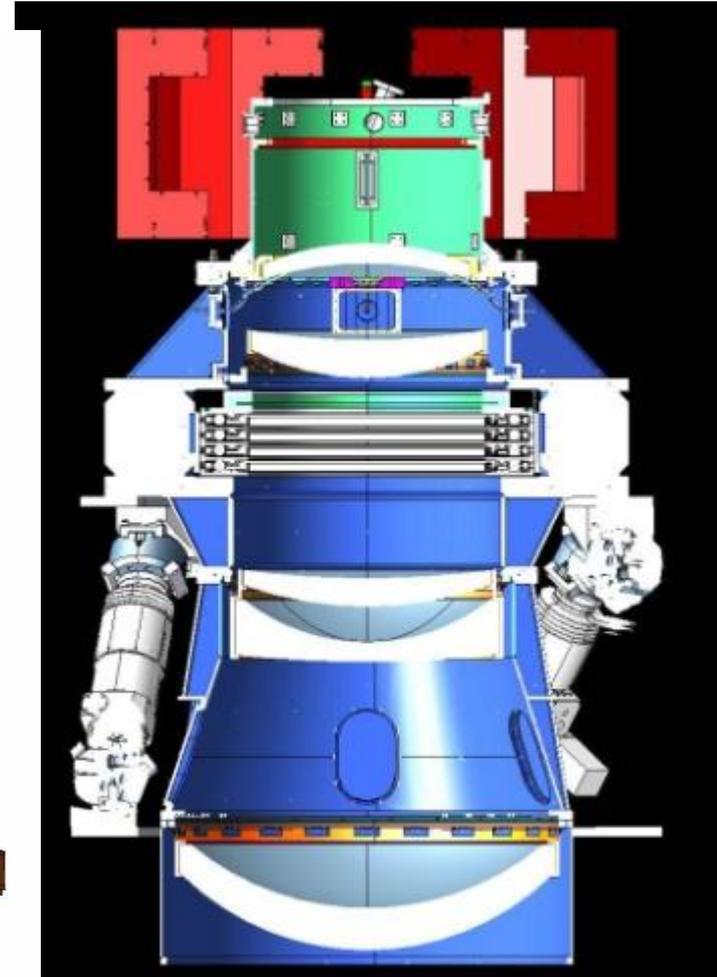
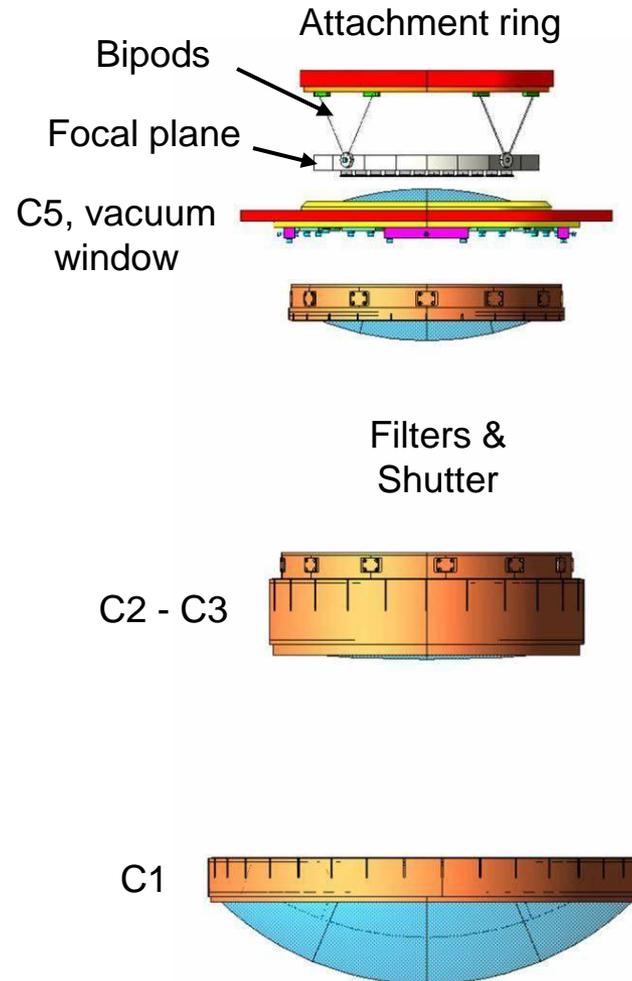
Dec. 6: Beautiful flat  
field Image!!



# Optics

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- Univ. College London led the production of the optics with funding from STFC
- Ordered the Blanks ~ July 2007 (~1M\$) using funds from DES Universities in the UK and US
- Coating finished June 2011: 4 Years!!!
- UCL installed the lenses in the cells and barrel @ UCL then shipped barrel in 2 parts to CTIO





# Lens Fabrication 2007-2011



Steve Kent inspecting the C1 Blank  
(980mm diameter) at Corning Jan.  
2008

C1 polishing complete Jan. 2011  
C4 coating complete June 2011  
Barrel delivered to CTIO Dec. 2011



# Optics Alignment check @ CTIO

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Jan. 2012:

UCL alignment frame and  
rotary table, laser frame in  
cleanish area on G floor  
@ CTIO

Alignment of lenses  
C2, C3, C4 checked after  
shipping with laser  
alignment system

Then barrel was  
assembled and alignment  
of the whole system was  
checked.

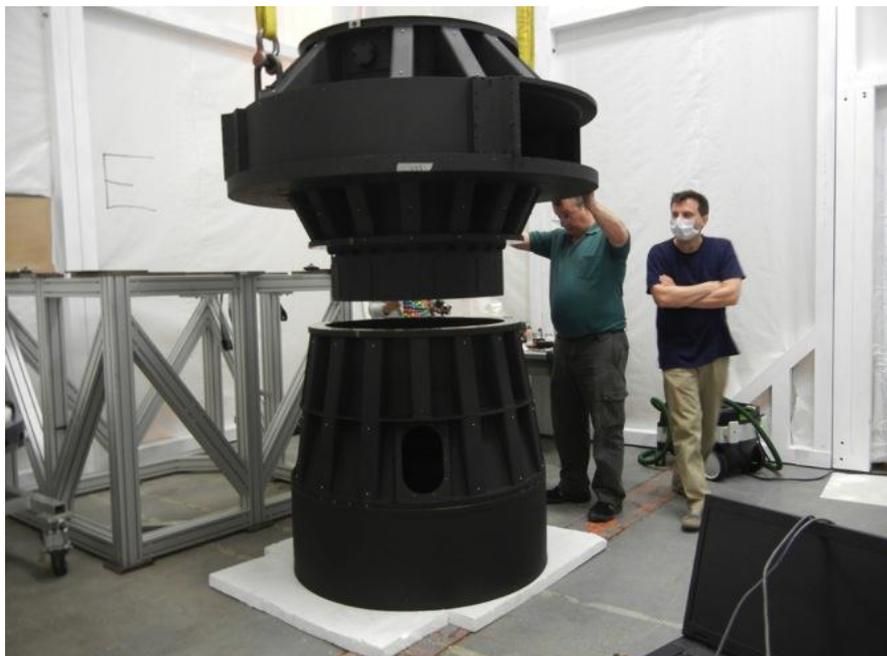




# Optical corrector assembly at CTIO

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Peter, Mich and David from UCL  
assembling the DECam optical  
corrector



Jan. 19, 2012

By Jan. 20th we had confirmed that  
everything is within specifications!



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# Filters

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620mm substrate, 600mm clear aperture,  
largest ever, tight uniformity constraints.

Contract placed in Sept. 2009.

Asahi built and commissioned a huge coating  
chamber as well as custom cleaning,  
polishing and testing equip.

At the time of the last review (May 2011) Asahi  
had completed 3 sides of 3 filters and then  
had the earthquake and Tsunami, and this  
procurement was on the DOE watchlist

By August the r, i, z and y were complete and  
in Chile

Early August another earthquake!

April 2012: the g filter arrived safely in Chile!

Asahi has now demonstrated repeatable and  
excellent filter production for DES as well  
as HyperSuprimeCam

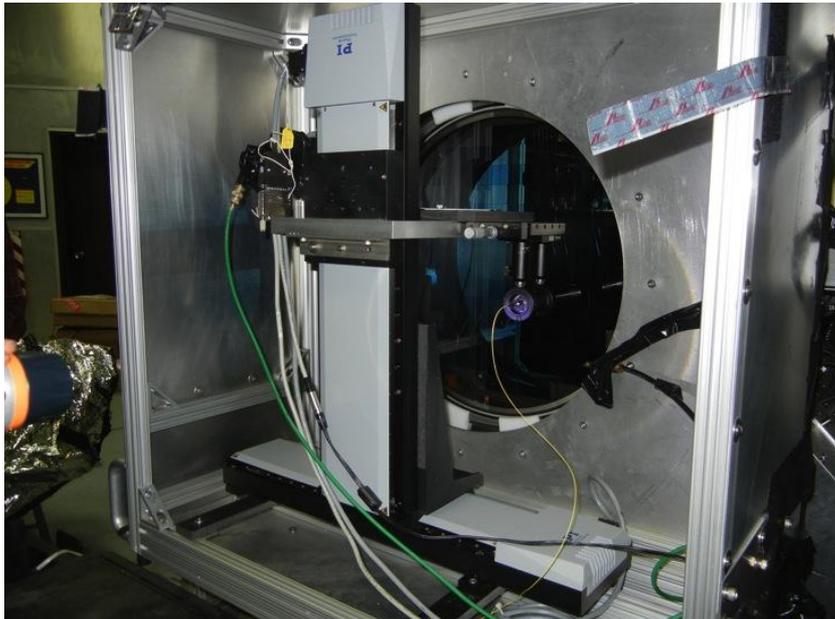




# Mock Observing

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Feb. 2011 first full system tests  
@ FNAL on telescope simulator, operations  
tested with DECam in different orientations  
Experienced observers provided feedback



Jan. 2012 @ CTIO imager in Coude Room,  
tests with new guide star projector during  
Mock observing run uncovered a problem  
with the guider transition cards.

April 2012 @ CTIO imager in Coude  
Room, new guide trans. cards tested  
during another Mock observing run:

**The new cards work!**

**Network problems gone!**



# DES Trip Plans: Commissioning Phase 2

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Commissioning Phase 2 begins after all the DECam components are installed, connected and individually checked

We assume we will need to support 4 people on DOE funds on average at CTIO over this 6 week period to help with for example focus, alignment, SISPI, guiding, Obstac, Calibrations, various training and debugging

Commissioning will be followed by a 4 week science verification period and we have assumed 2 DOE supported people will be needed at CTIO on average over this period



# Andean Condor

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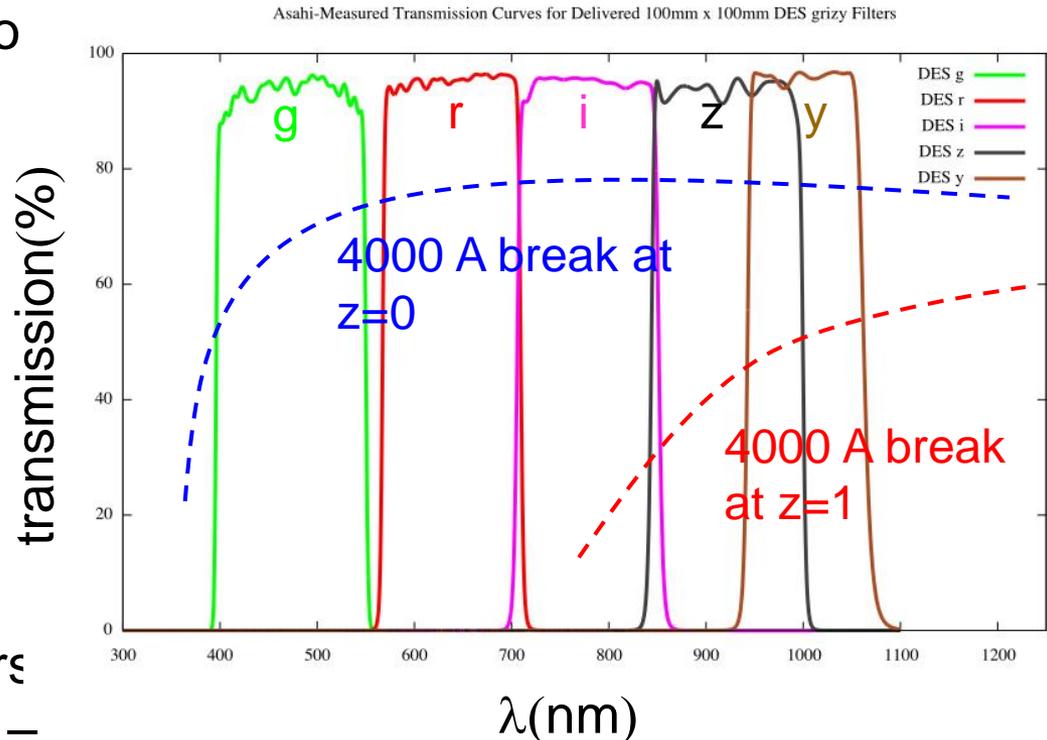


# DES Filters & Photo $z$ 's

DARK ENERGY  
SURVEY

- Measure relative flux in *grizY* filters and track the “4000 Angstro break”
- Estimate individual galaxy redshifts with accuracy  $\sigma(z) < 0.1$  ( $\sim 0.02$  for clusters)
- Filters produced by Asahi Spect (Japan)
- They also produced 100mm filters for the Precam calibration survey – excellent transmission!

## Asahi 100mm filters





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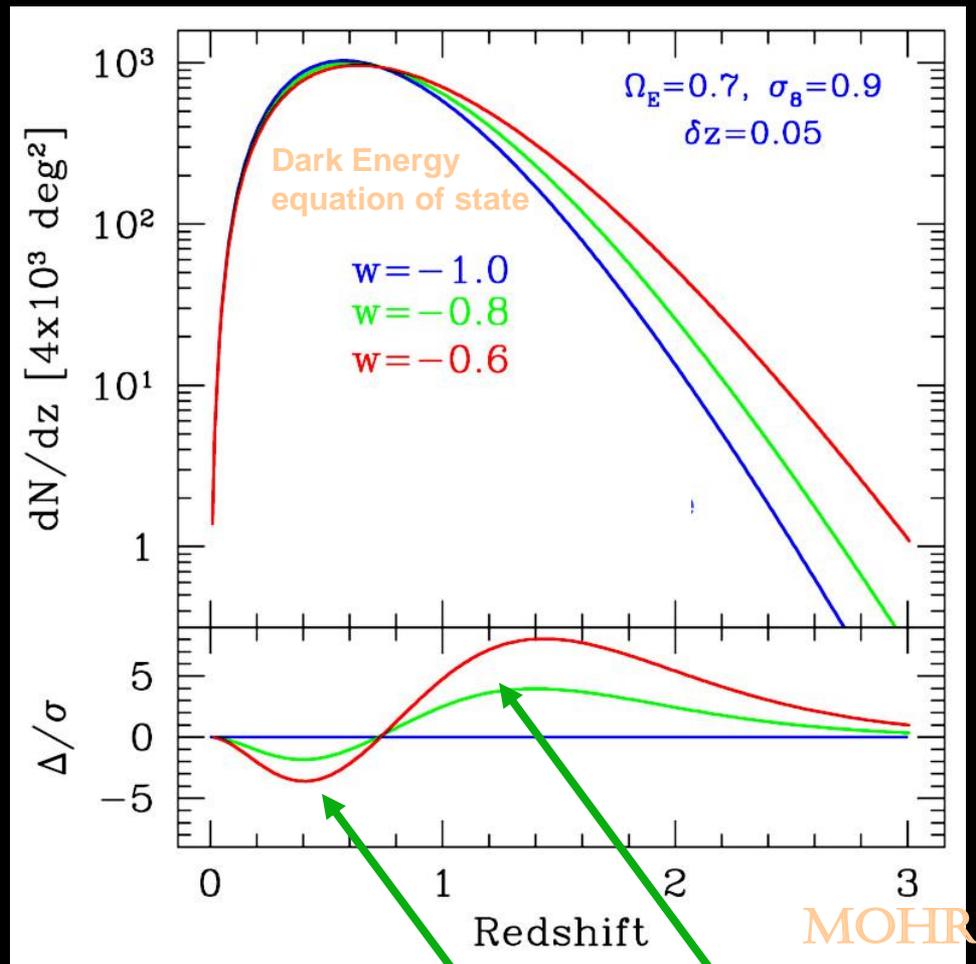
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SURVEY

# Cluster counts

Number of clusters above mass threshold

## Elements of the Method:

- Clusters are proxies for massive halos and can be identified optically to redshifts  $z > 1$
- Galaxy colors provide photometric redshift estimates for each cluster
- Observable proxies for cluster mass: optical richness (DES), SZ flux decrement (SPT), weak lensing mass (DES), X-ray flux (eRosita)
- Cluster spatial correlations help calibrate mass estimates
- ~100,000 clusters to  $z > 1$
- Synergy with SPT
- Sensitive to growth of structure and geometry



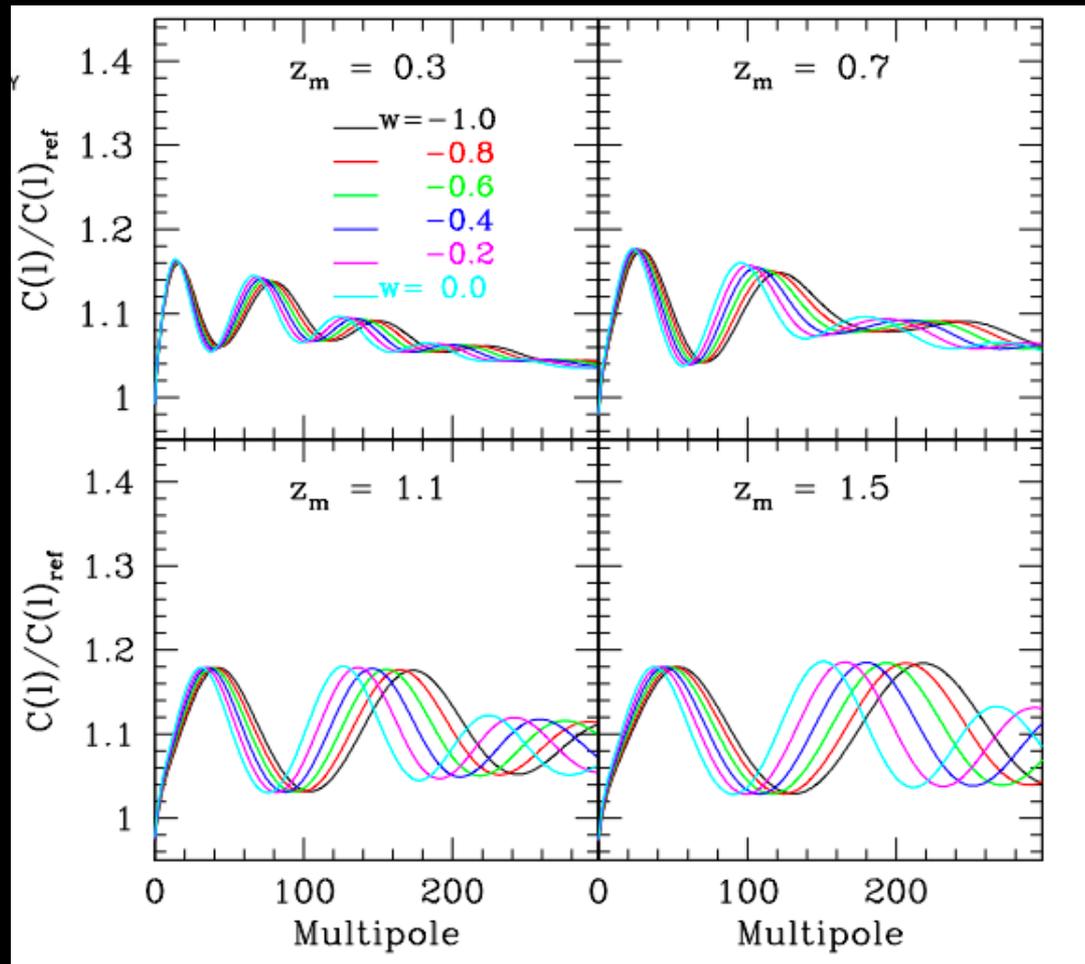
Volume

Growth

# LARGE SCALE STRUCTURE

**Galaxy Angular  
Correlation Function  
in Photo-z bins  
-> baryon acoustic  
oscillations**

**Systematics:  
photo-zs,  
correlated  
photometric  
errors, non-  
linearity, scale-  
dependent bias**



- 300 million galaxies to  $z = 1$  and beyond
- Sensitive to geometry