

MAPPING DARK ENERGY WITH FUNDAMENTAL COUPLINGS

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Relevant references:

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Echelle SPectrograph for Rocky Exoplanet- and Stable Spectroscopic Observations

- 380-700nm spectral coverage
- High resolution and stability (Laser Frequency Comb)
- 80% Rocky Planets, 10% Varying Constants, 10% to be decided: ToO + Exquisite Science

α measurements from absorption systems in Quasar Spectra

Priority Systems:

- Uncertainty lower than 10ppm
- Measurements with anchors and sensitivity transitions (ΔQ)
- Brightness
- Sky position
- Simplicity of the spectra



Formalism

Coupling between the scalar field and the electromagnetism

$$\mathcal{L}_{\phi F} = -\frac{1}{4} B_F(\phi) F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$$

Gauge kinetic function is linear

$$B_F(\phi) = 1 - \zeta k (\phi - \phi_0)$$

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

For a flat Friedmann-Lemaître-Robertson-Walker Universe with a canonical scalar field

$$\dot{\phi}^2 = (1 + \omega(z)) \rho_\phi$$

$$\phi(z) - \phi_0 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{k} \int_0^z \sqrt{1 + \omega(z)} \left(1 + \frac{\rho_m}{\rho_\phi} \right)^{-1/2} \frac{dz}{1+z}$$

Previous work

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Variation of fundamental parameters and dark energy: A principal component approach

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We discuss methods based on principal component analysis to constrain the dark energy equation of state using a combination of Type Ia supernovae at low redshift and spectroscopic measurements of varying fundamental couplings at higher redshifts. We discuss the performance of this method when future better-quality data sets are available, focusing on two forthcoming European southern observatory (ESO) spectrographs—Echelle spectrograph for rocky exoplanet and stable spectroscopic observations (ESPRESSO) for the very large telescope (VLT) and Cosmic dynamics explorer (CODEX) for the European extremely large telescope (E-ELT)—which include these measurements as a key part of their science cases. These can realize the prospect of a detailed characterization of dark energy properties almost all the way up to redshift 4.

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Fundamental cosmology from precision spectroscopy: Varying couplings

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The observational evidence for the acceleration of the Universe demonstrates that canonical theories of cosmology and particle physics are incomplete, if not incorrect, and that new physics is out there, waiting to be discovered. Forthcoming high-resolution ultrastable spectrographs will play a crucial role in this quest for new physics, by enabling a new generation of precision consistency tests. Here we focus on astrophysical tests of the stability of nature’s fundamental couplings, and by using principal component analysis techniques further calibrated by existing VLT data we discuss how the improvements that can be expected with ESPRESSO and ELT-HIRES will impact on fundamental cosmology. In particular we show that a 20 to 30 night program on ELT-HIRES will allow it to play a leading role in fundamental cosmology.

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Principal Component Analysis

- Likelihood function

$$L(\omega_i) = \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{A}} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^N (\mu - \mu_F)_i D_{ij}^{-1} (\mu - \mu_F)_j \right]$$

$$A = \sum_{i,j} C_{ij}^{-1} \quad D_{ij}^{-1} = C_{ij}^{-1} - \frac{1}{A} \sum_{k,l=1}^N C_{kj}^{-1} C_{li}^{-1}$$

- Fisher's Matrix

$$F_{kl} = - \left. \frac{\partial^2 \ln L}{\partial \omega_k \partial \omega_l} \right|_{\omega^F}$$

- Dark energy parameterization, $\omega(\mathbf{z})$

$$\omega(\mathbf{z}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \omega_i \theta_i(\mathbf{z}) \longrightarrow \omega(\mathbf{z}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i e_i(\mathbf{z})$$

Sample Result

- **Baseline**

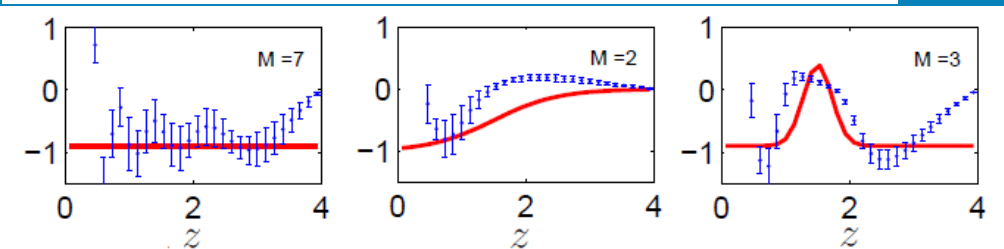
- ESPRESSO: $N=30$; $\sigma_{\Delta\alpha/\alpha}=6\times 10^{-7}$
- ELT-HIRES: $N=100$; $\sigma_{\Delta\alpha/\alpha}=1\times 10^{-7}$

- **Ideal**

- ESPRESSO: $N=100$; $\sigma_{\Delta\alpha/\alpha}=2\times 10^{-7}$
- ELT-HIRES: $N=150$; $\sigma_{\Delta\alpha/\alpha}=3\times 10^{-8}$

Model	ESPRESSO	ELT-HIRES
Constant	649.8	19.5
Step	2231.6	66.9
Bump	1420.1	42.6

$$w^F(z) = -0.9,$$
$$w^F(z) = -0.5 + 0.5 \tanh(z - 1.5),$$
$$w^F(z) = -0.9 + 1.3 \exp(-(z - 1.5)^2/0.1)$$



Nº of nights needed to achieve an uncertainty equal to that expected from a SNAP-like dataset of 3000 Type Ia supernovas,

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$$\text{Figure of Merit} = 1/(\sigma_1\sigma_2)$$

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- High number of measurements vs redshift coverage

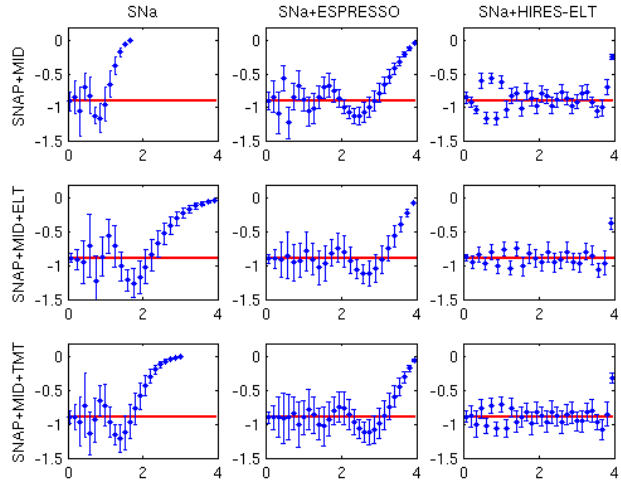
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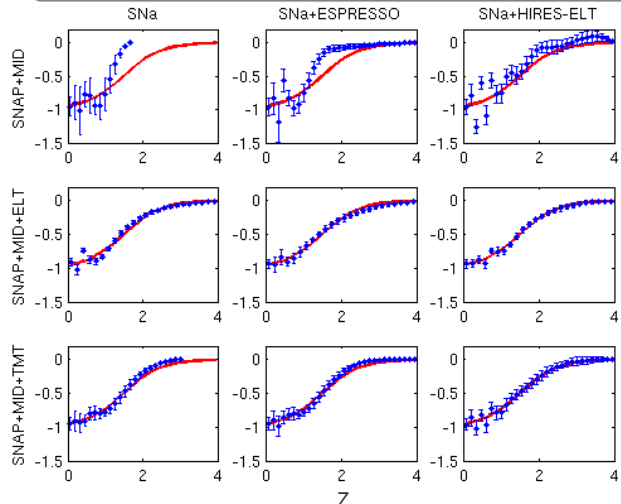
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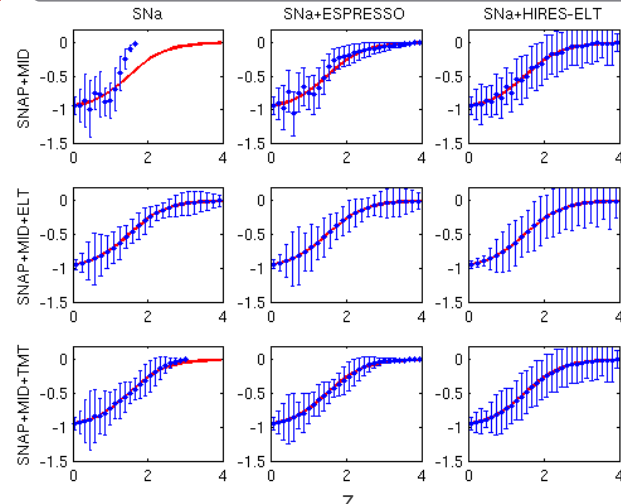
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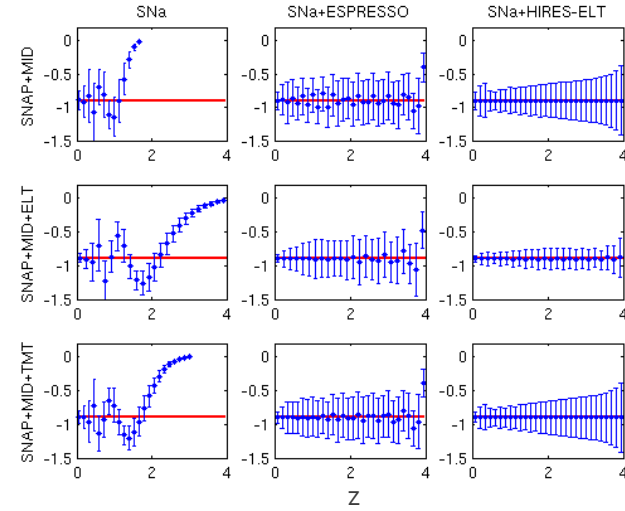
Risk method



Normalization method



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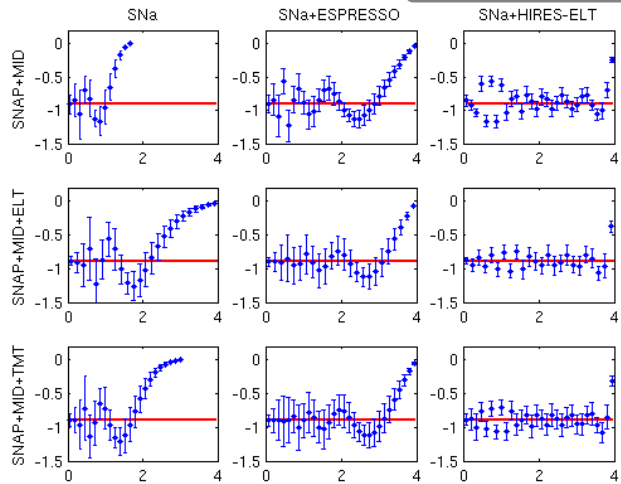


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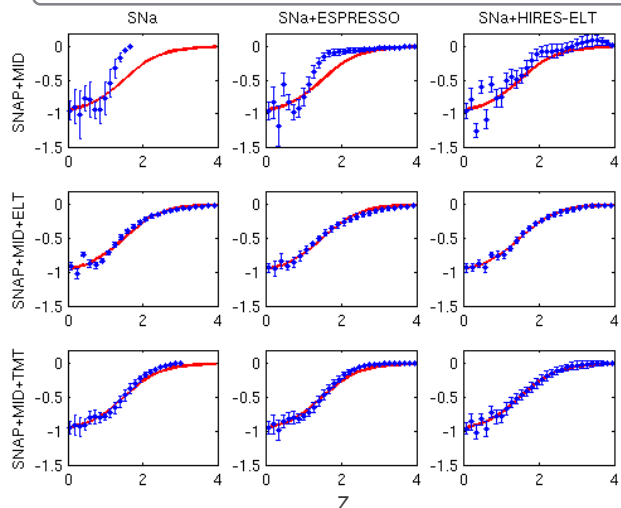
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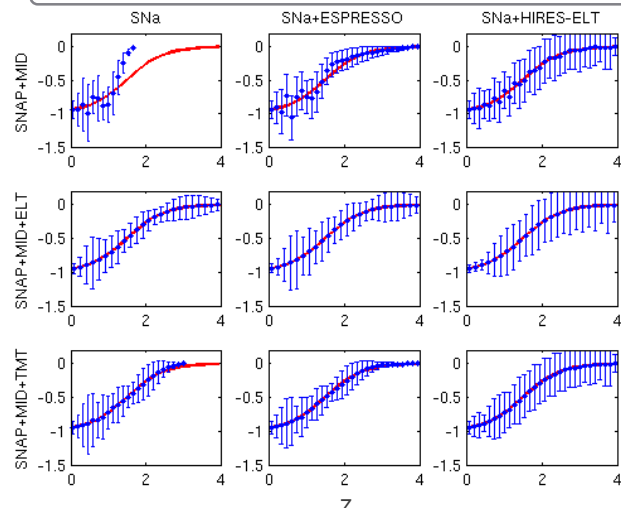
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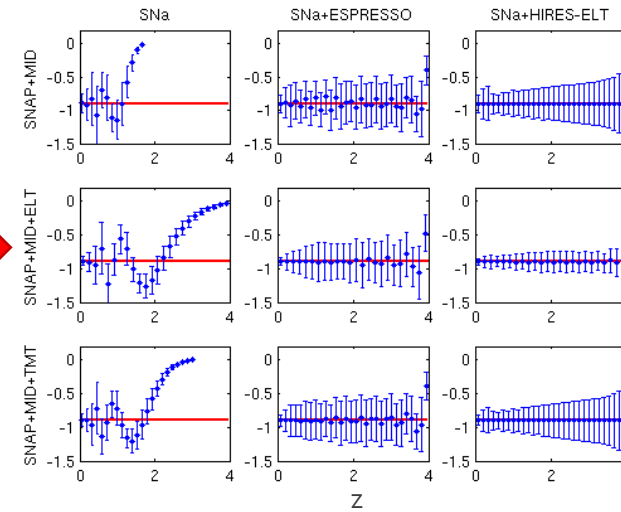
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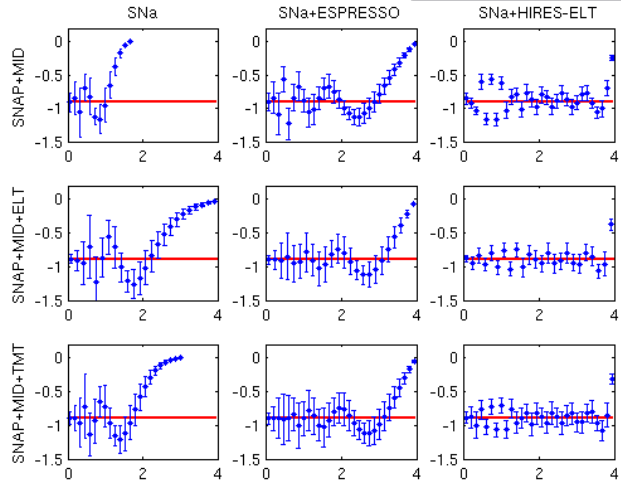
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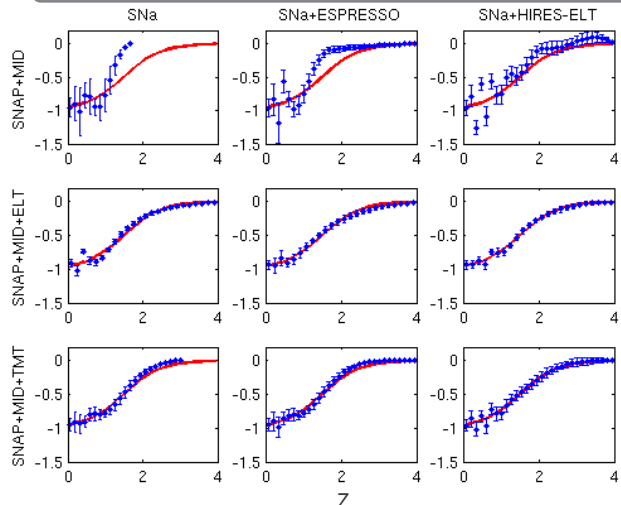
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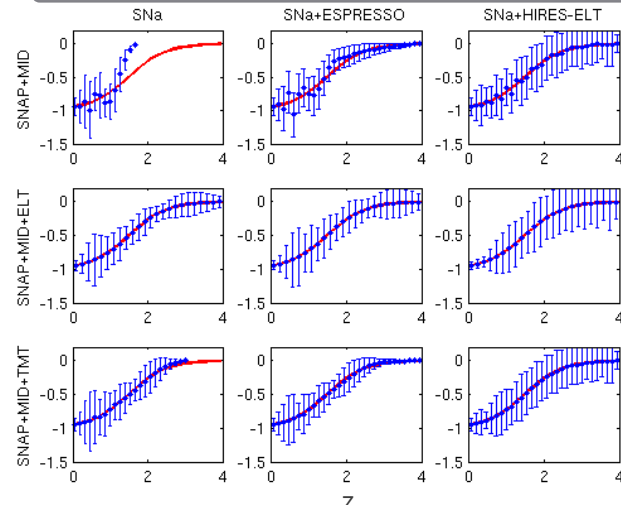
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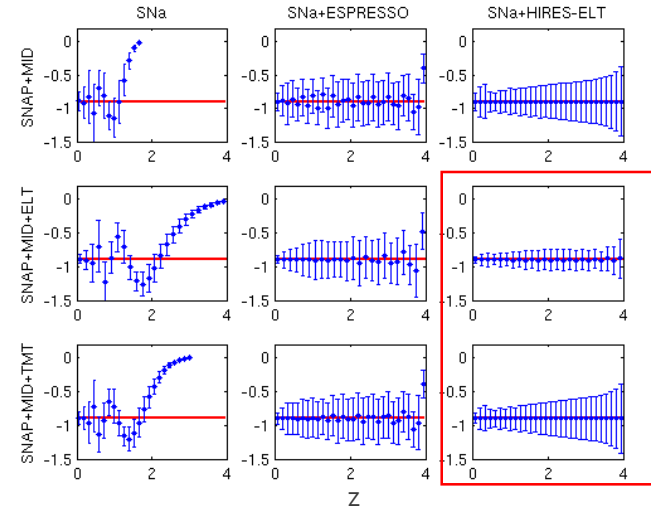
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Importance of high redshift (TMT vs ELT)

Conclusions

- Measurements of α can be used to constrain dark energy, complementing supernovas with the advantage of a larger redshift lever arm
- Dark energy equation of state reconstruction improves when we combine the Supernova datasets with α measurements
- ELT will be important to reconstruct the equation of state at high redshift ($z > 2$)
- Existing VLT datasets, although not ideal, give clues on what we will be able to achieve with future Spectrographs