

Constraints on running vacuum model with $H(z)$ and $f\sigma_8$

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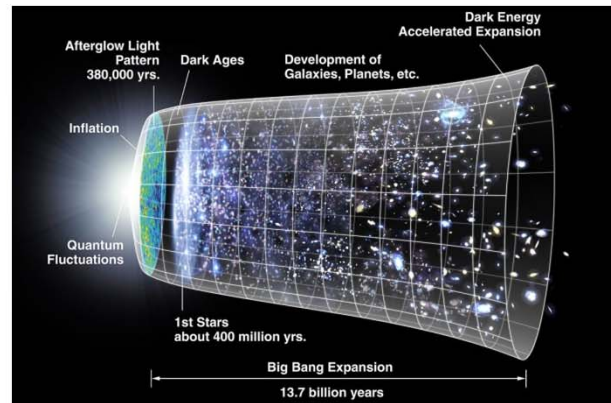
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Motivation and Background



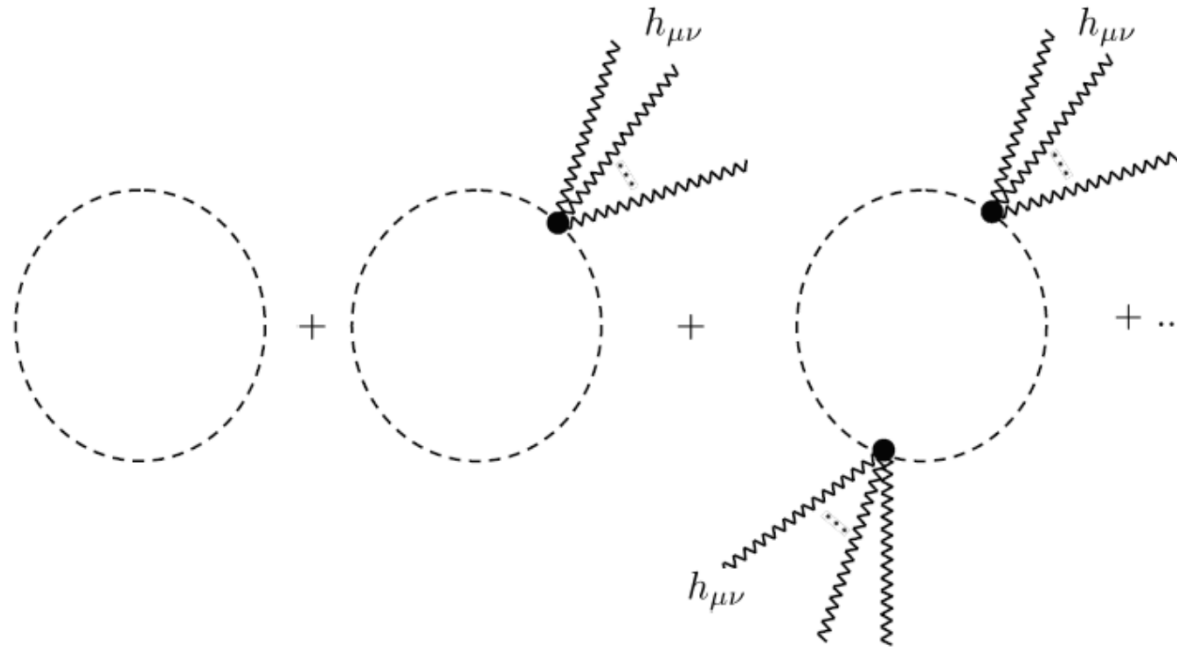
➤ Cosmological accelerate expansion ➡ Λ

➤ Problems:

- Nonzero but tiny
- coincidence problem

➤ One solution to coincidence problem is

$$\rho_{\Lambda}(H) = \rho_{\Lambda}^0 + \frac{3\nu}{8\pi} M_P^2 (H^2 - H_0^2).$$



the corresponding determinant in the action:

$$\sqrt{-g} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} h + \mathcal{O}(h^2) + \mathcal{O}(h_{\mu\nu} h^{\mu\nu}) + \dots$$

In the action :

$$S[\phi, g_{\mu\nu}] = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g(x)} \left[\frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi + \frac{1}{2} \xi \phi^2 R - V_c(\phi) \right]$$

of the scalar field, which we take as a free field here

$$V(\phi) = (1/2) m^2 \phi^2$$

Introduce the running vacuum model

- We consider $\Lambda = \Lambda(H)$ is the time-dependent parameter to explain the accelerated expansion of the universe.

We obtain the Friedmann equations

$$H^2 = \frac{\alpha^2}{3} (\rho_M + \rho_\Lambda)$$
$$\dot{H} = -\frac{\alpha^2}{6} (\rho_M + 3P_M + \rho_\Lambda + 3P_\Lambda)$$

where $H = d\alpha / (\alpha d\tau)$, τ is the conformal time

$$\rho_M = \rho_m + \rho_r \text{ and } P_M = P_m + P_r = P_r$$

The equations of state(EoS) are given by

$$\omega_{r,m,\Lambda} = \frac{P_{r,m,\Lambda}}{\rho_{r,m,\Lambda}} = \frac{1}{3}, 0, -1$$

- We consider Λ to be a function of the Hubble parameter

$$\Lambda = 3\nu H^2 + \Lambda_0$$

where ν and Λ_0 are two free parameters, $\nu \geq 0$

Background evolution

- From the conservation equation $\nabla^\mu (T_{\mu\nu}^M + T_{\mu\nu}^\Lambda) = 0$ we have

$$\dot{\rho}_{tot} + 3H(1 + \omega)\rho_{tot} = 0$$

$$\dot{\rho}_\Lambda + 3H(1 + \omega_\Lambda)\rho_\Lambda = 6\nu H\dot{H} \neq 0$$

resulting in that dark energy unavoidably couples to matter and radiation , given by

$$\dot{\rho}_{m,r} + 3H(1 + \omega_{m,r})\rho_{m,r} = Q_{m,r}$$

↑ Energy transform

Background evolution

- $Q_{m,r}$ is the decay rate of the dark energy taken to be

$$Q_{m,r} = - \frac{\dot{\rho}_{\Lambda}(\rho_{m,r} + P_{m,r})}{\rho_M} = 3\nu H(1 + \omega_{m,r})\rho_{m,r}$$

- Then we get $\rho_{m,r} = \rho_{m,r}^{(0)} a^{-3(1+\omega_{m,r})\xi}$

where $\xi = 1 - \nu$ and $\rho_{m,r}^{(0)}$ are the energy densities of matter or radiation at $z = 0$.

Perturbation

- The metric perturbations are given by

$$ds^2 = a^2(\tau) [-d\tau^2 + (\delta_{ij} + h_{ij})dx^i dx^j]$$

$$h_{ij} = \int d^3k e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} [\hat{k}_i \hat{k}_j h(\hat{k}, \tau) + 6(\hat{k}_i \hat{k}_j - \frac{1}{3} \delta_{ij}) \eta(\hat{k}, \tau)]$$

$i, j=1,2,3$ h and η are two scalar perturbations in the synchronous gauge.

- The matter and radiation density perturbations

$$\dot{\delta}_{m,r} = -(1 + \omega_{m,r}) (\theta_{m,r} + \frac{\dot{h}}{2}) - 3H(\frac{\delta P_{m,r}}{\delta \rho_{m,r}} - \omega_{m,r}) \delta_{m,r} - \frac{Q_{m,r}}{\rho_{m,r}} \delta_{m,r}$$

$$\dot{\theta}_{m,r} = -H(1 - 3\omega_{m,r}) \theta_{m,r} + \frac{\delta P_{m,r} / \delta \rho_{m,r}}{1 + \omega_{m,r}} \frac{k^2}{a^2} \delta_{m,r} - \frac{Q_{m,r}}{\rho_{m,r}} \theta_{m,r}$$

where $\delta_{m,r} \equiv \delta \rho_{m,r} / \rho_{m,r}$ and $\theta_{m,r} = ik_i v_{m,r}^i$.

Observational constraints on RVM

- We use the **CosmoMC** program to perform the global fitting for the RVM
- Dataset:
 - CMB : Planck 2015
(TT, TE, EE, lowTEB, low-l polarization and lensing from SMICA)
 - BAO : Baryon acoustic oscillation data from BOSS
 - Weak lensing
 - $H(z)$ data and $f\sigma_8$ data

Added Hubble parameter

- In the RVM, due to the background evolution of the Hubble parameter, one has

$$\frac{H^2}{H_0^2} = \frac{\Omega_m a^{-3\xi} + \Omega_r a^{-4\xi} + \Omega_\Lambda - \nu}{1 - \nu}$$

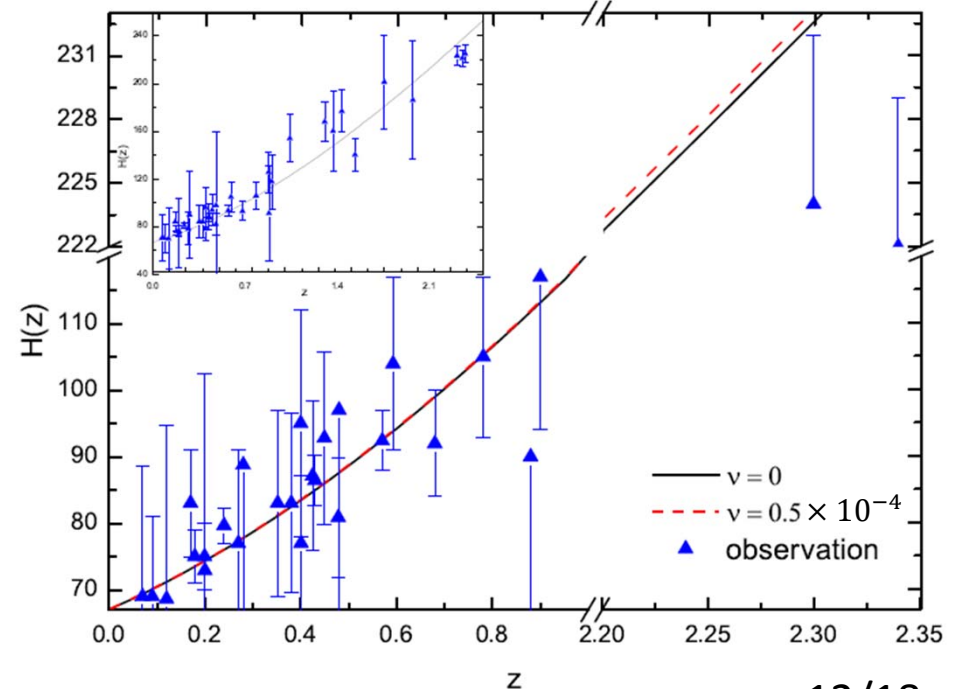
where $\xi = 1 - \nu$, $\Omega_{m(r)} = \rho_{m(r)}^{(0)} / 3H_0^2$, $\Omega_\Lambda - \nu = \rho_\Lambda^{(z=0)} / 3H_0^2 - \nu$

and $\Omega_m + \Omega_r + \Omega_\Lambda = 1$.

As discussed by J.Sola

[[arxiv:1605.06104](https://arxiv.org/abs/1605.06104)]

The larger ν is, the smaller $H(z)$ behaves in the high redshift regime



The weighted linear growth $f\sigma_8$

- The spectrum of the cosmic matter fluctuations can give important constraints on models about the structure formation.
- These fluctuations can be described by the weighted linear growth $f(z)\sigma_8(z)$.

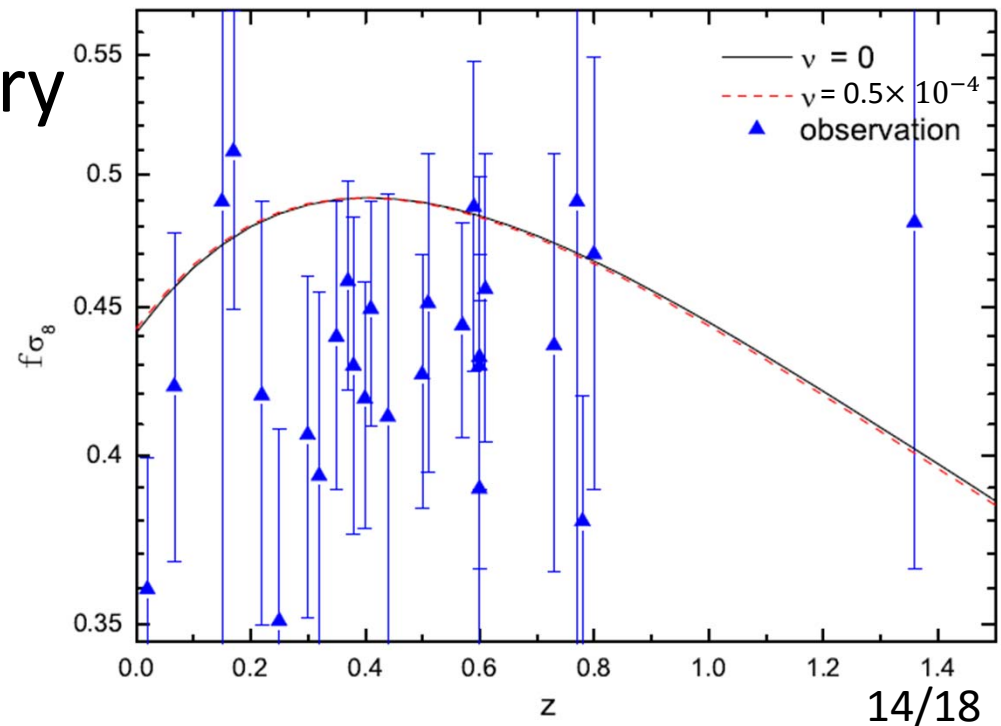
$$f(z) = -(1 + z) \frac{d \ln \delta_m}{dz}$$

And σ_8 is the root-mean-square matter fluctuation amplitude on the scale of

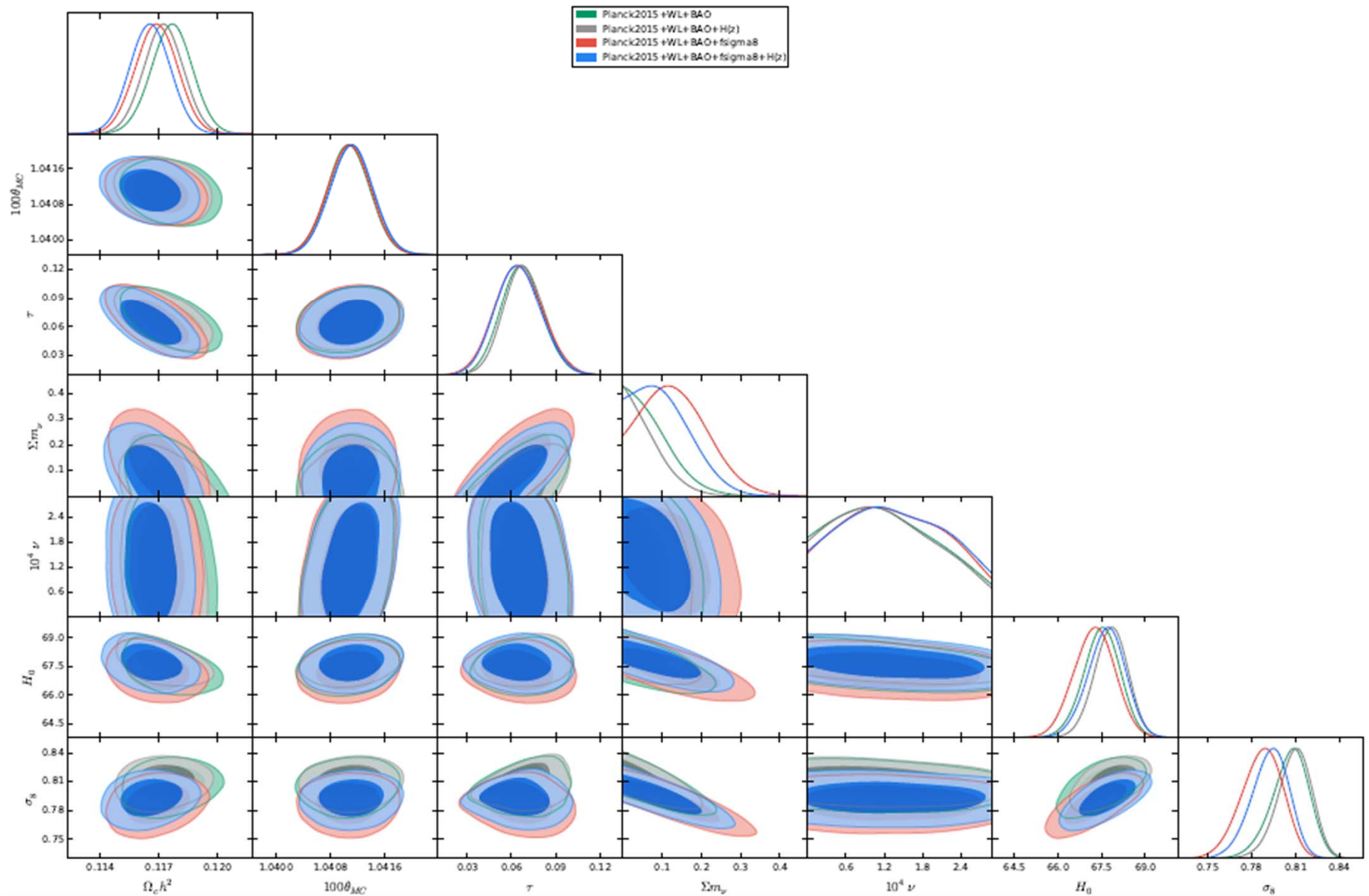
$R_8 = 8h^{-1}$ Mpc at the redshift z , given by

$$\sigma_8(z) = \delta_m^2(z) \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} P(k, \vec{p}) W^2(kR_8)$$

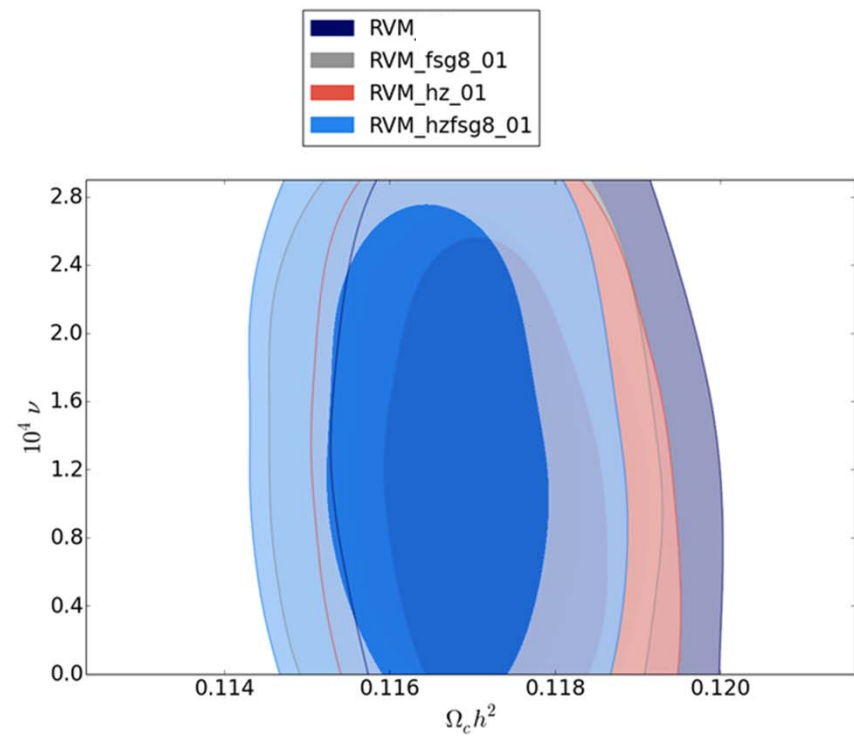
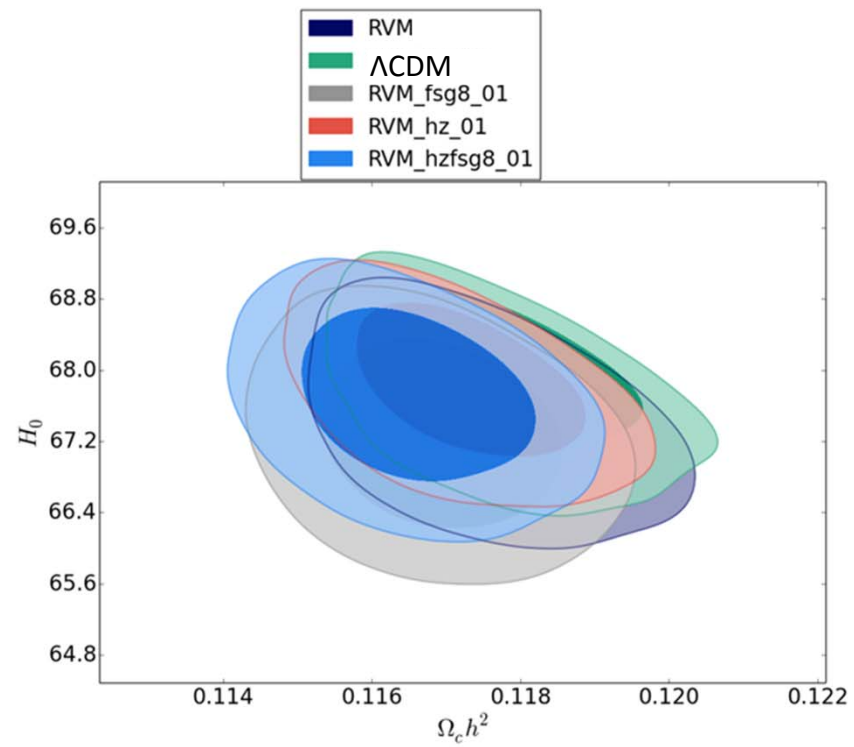
With $P(k, \vec{p})$ the ordinary linear matter power spectrum and $W^2(kR_8)$ the top-hat smoothing function.



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Fitting results for the RVM with $\Lambda = 3\nu H^2 + \Lambda_0$

Parameter	(A) <i>Planck</i> + WL + BAO	(B) <i>Planck</i> + WL + BAO + $f\sigma_8$	(C) <i>Planck</i> + WL + BAO + $H(z)$	(D) <i>Planck</i> + WL+ BAO + $f\sigma_8$ + $H(z)$
Model parameter $10^4\nu$	< 1.83	< 2.09	< 1.80	< 2.09
Baryon density $100\Omega_b h^2$	2.23 ± 0.03 (2.23)	$2.23^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$ (2.24)	$2.23^{+0.02}_{-0.03}$ (2.23)	2.22 ± 0.03 (2.24)
CDM density $100\Omega_c h^2$	11.8 ± 0.2 (11.8)	11.7 ± 0.2 (11.7)	11.7 ± 0.2 (11.7)	$11.7^{+0.2}_{-0.3}$ (11.7)
Optical depth 100τ	$6.67^{+2.83}_{-2.70}$ (6.96)	$6.48^{+3.23}_{-3.03}$ (6.99)	$6.84^{+2.76}_{-2.61}$ (7.13)	$6.49^{+3.08}_{-2.91}$ (6.96)
σ_8	$0.806^{+0.025}_{-0.026}$ (0.810)	$0.787^{+0.027}_{-0.028}$ (0.788)	$0.809^{+0.023}_{-0.024}$ (0.812)	$0.792^{+0.025}_{-0.026}$ (0.793)
Neutrino mass $\Sigma m_\nu / \text{eV}$	< 0.188 (< 0.198)	< 0.278 (< 0.301)	< 0.161 (< 0.176)	< 0.235 (< 0.262)
$\chi^2_{best-fit}$	13487.7 (13488.9)	13509.9 (13512.2)	13511.3 (13512.8)	13531.2 (13534.7)

Summary

- The running vacuum model scenario is suitable to describe the late-time accelerating universe at the background level.
- By calculating the perturbation and performing the global fit to the observational data, we have obtained that $\chi^2_{\text{RVM}} < \chi^2_{\Lambda\text{CDM}}$, implying that the current data prefers RVM.

Thank you