

### Cosmology with the Dark Energy Survey: 400+ scientists constrain fundamental physics with 100 million galaxies

with the Dark Energy Survey Collaboration

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#### Vanilla Cosmology

On *large scales*, the Universe can be modeled with remarkably few parameters

- age of the Universe
- geometry of space
- density of atoms
- density of matter
- amplitude of fluctuations
- scale dependence of fluctuations

[of course, details are not quite as simple]



credit: NASA/WMAP

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Are data from early Universe and late Universe fit by the same parameters?

Do measurements of expansion history and growth of structure agree?

Does the dark energy equation of state change as space expands?

## Measurements of Expansion History

comparison of distance and redshift

Standard candle: brightness of source with know luminosity

Standard ruler: angle subtended by known scale



# Early 2000s: Concordance Cosmology

**Expansion History Measurements:** 

- Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB) angular scale of sound horizon in the early Universe
- Baryonic Acoustic Oscillations (BAO) angular scale of sound horizon imprinted in late-time galaxy distribution
- Supernovae (SNe) apparent brightness of exploding white dwarfs with ~known intrinsic luminosity



### The Distance Ladder

#### Three Steps to the Hubble Constant



credit: NASA/STSci

Distant galaxies

#### 2020s: Concordance Cosmology?

#### Hubble Parameter - expansion rate



#### significant tension between early and late Universe physics!

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sensitivity to expansion

Q: Do all these measurements agree with predictions in the same, fiducial ACDM model?

### Comparing Cosmic Structure Growth Over 13.4 Billion Years

**Testing**  $\Lambda$ **CDM:** Is the late time clustering compatible with the  $\Lambda$ CDM prediction assuming initial conditions from the CMB?



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#### S8 - amplitude of structure growth



hints at possible tension between early and late Universe physics?
→ let's shrink these error bars

### Photometric LSS Surveys



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#### Connecting Theory and Observations



# Summary Statistics from the Galaxy Distribution



 two-point correlations clusters (over densities)
 voids (under densities)
 three-point correlations,...

#### Tracer: Galaxy Clustering



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requires ~3D distances (redshift), relation between galaxy density and dark matter density (galaxy bias)

Fourier transform



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#### credit: ESA/Hubble & NASA

# Tracer:Weak Gravitational Lensing of Galaxies

light deflected by tidal field of large-scale structure

- coherent distortion of galaxy shapes - "shear"
- shear related to (projected) matter distribution

#### key uncertainties

- shape measurements
- average over many galaxies assuming random intrinsic orientation



## Weak Gravitational Lensing: typical DES galaxies



### Real World Example: DES-Y3



# The Dark Energy Survey



Imaging survey on Blanco 4-m telescope at CTIO in Chile DECam: 3.0 sq. deg. field-of-view, 570 Mpixels, grizY filters 5000 sq. deg. footprint, observed 2013-2019, wide field + supernova fields DR2 (6 years) of 543M galaxies + 145M stars to r~23.5 Data released to the public: https://des.ncsa.illinois.edu/home



### Dark Energy Survey Collaboration



~400 scientists from 25 institutions in 7 countries Much of the analysis leadership by Early Career Scientists Learn more about DES: Scientists of the Week, Darchive, #ThisIsDES, #Darkbite



## DES-Y3 WL x LSS Analysis





10M lens galaxies split in 6 redshift bins







**100M source galaxies** 



# DES-Y3 Cosmology

#### from pixels to cosmology in 30 papers



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SURVEY

### DES-Y3 Results Systematics Modeling + Mitigation



3x2pt measurements modeled by cosmology and simple systematics parameterization

**astrophysics (15 parameters)**: relate galaxy density + shapes to matter distribution

- linear bias of lens galaxies, per lens z-bin
- magnification bias of lens galaxies, per lens z-bin
- intrinsic alignments, tidal alignment + tidal torquing, power-law z-evolution

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  - -> this list is known to be incomplete

how much will **known, unaccounted-for** systematics bias Y3?

-> remove contaminated data points (i.e., throw out large fraction of S/N)

#### -> choice of parameterizations ≠ universal truth are these **parameterizations sufficiently flexible** for Y3?

#### EK+2021

# DESY3 Results: LCDM Multi-Probe Constraints





- marginalized 4 cosmology parameters, lens and source sample clustering nuisance parameters
- consistent cosmology constraints from weak lensing and clustering in configuration space

# DESY3 Results: Late vs. Early Universe





Compatibility with Planck is measured over the full LCDM parameter space -> 6 parameters (Lemos, Raveri + 20)

S8 and  $\Omega_m$  drive the result to 1.5 $\sigma$  or p=0.13 when considering parameter differences optimal metrics (Raveri & Hu 18)

Future: observe more galaxies, combine more probes, and achieve better systematics control!



#### Beyond 3x2pt: Cluster Counts x 2PCFs



To, EK+(DES) 2021a,b: DES-Y1 cluster cosmology constraints from abundances and large-scale two-point statistics



 joint likelihood analysis validated on DES-like mock catalogs (Buzzard, DeRose+2020)

- MOR calibrated from large-scale clustering, account for selection bias
- cosmology constraints consistent with other DES probes



#### Beyond 3x2pt: Cluster Counts x 2PCFs



#### this analysis unlocks constraining power from number counts substantial gain, iff accurate MOR calibration



# 3x2pt Systematics Mitigation Opportunity Space...



#### Conclusions

The simple, 6-parameter  $\Lambda$ CDM model has been remarkably successful

- describes wide range of cosmological epochs and observables
- intriguing tension (H0) and fluctuation? (S8) are emerging
- DES-Y3 and other weak lensing results hint at low amplitude w.r.t. CMB
- (most) cosmological constraints will be systematics limited
  - require astrophysics, accurate systematics parameterizations+priors
- Precision cosmology requires collaboration across surveys + wavelengths, planning for analysis frameworks to combine data from all surveys!

#### Thank you!



DES is producing exciting multi-probe cosmology constraints These analyses require expertise from pixels to galaxies to theory Learn more DES science and scientist: Scientists of the Week, Darchive, #ThislsDES, #Darkbite

