

# Neutrino Cosmology: Lecture II

## Neutrino Masses & $H_0$ Tension

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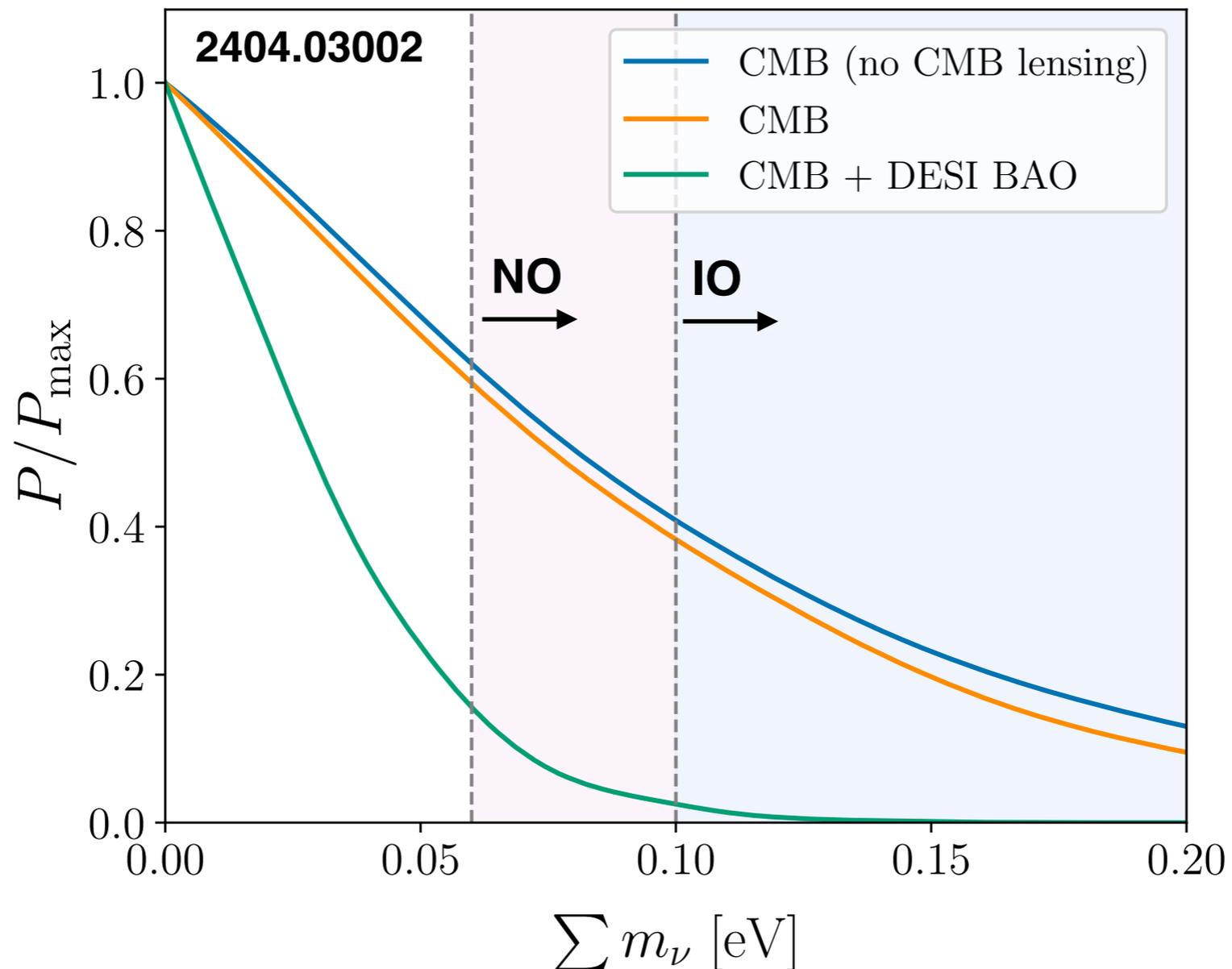
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**Neutrinos and Dark Matter**  
**in the lab and in the Universe**  
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# The Context

On April 2024 the DESI collaboration presented the cosmological results from their 1st year of observations. The results have key implications for the neutrino mass.

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.073 \text{ eV (95 \% CL, CMB+BAO-DESIY1)}$$



## Neutrino Masses in Cosmology

Cosmological implications of a neutrino mass

Physical effects

Data sets

Cosmological bounds on the neutrino masses

Dependence upon the data sets

Dependence upon statistical procedure used

Cosmological model dependence

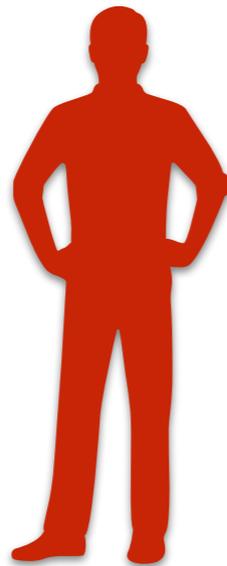
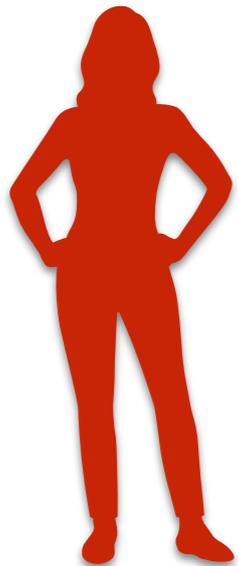
Hubble tension: Status & Implications for  $m_\nu$

# Set Up

**Unlike neutrinos, I do like to interact 😊**

**The plan is to learn and therefore:**

**Questions and Comments  
are most welcome, at any  
time!!!!**



**(great thanks to those who  
asked questions yesterday!)**

# Key Equations from yesterday

## Key things to remember:

- Neutrinos decouple at a temperature of  $T \simeq 2 \text{ MeV}$  and this is the time at which the Cosmic Neutrino Background forms
- The Cosmic Neutrino Background is almost a perfect blackbody spectrum with  $T_\nu = T_\gamma/1.4$
- The average energy of a relativistic particle is  $\langle E \rangle \simeq 3T$ . A neutrino becomes non-relativistic when  $m_\nu \simeq 3T_\nu$  which happens at

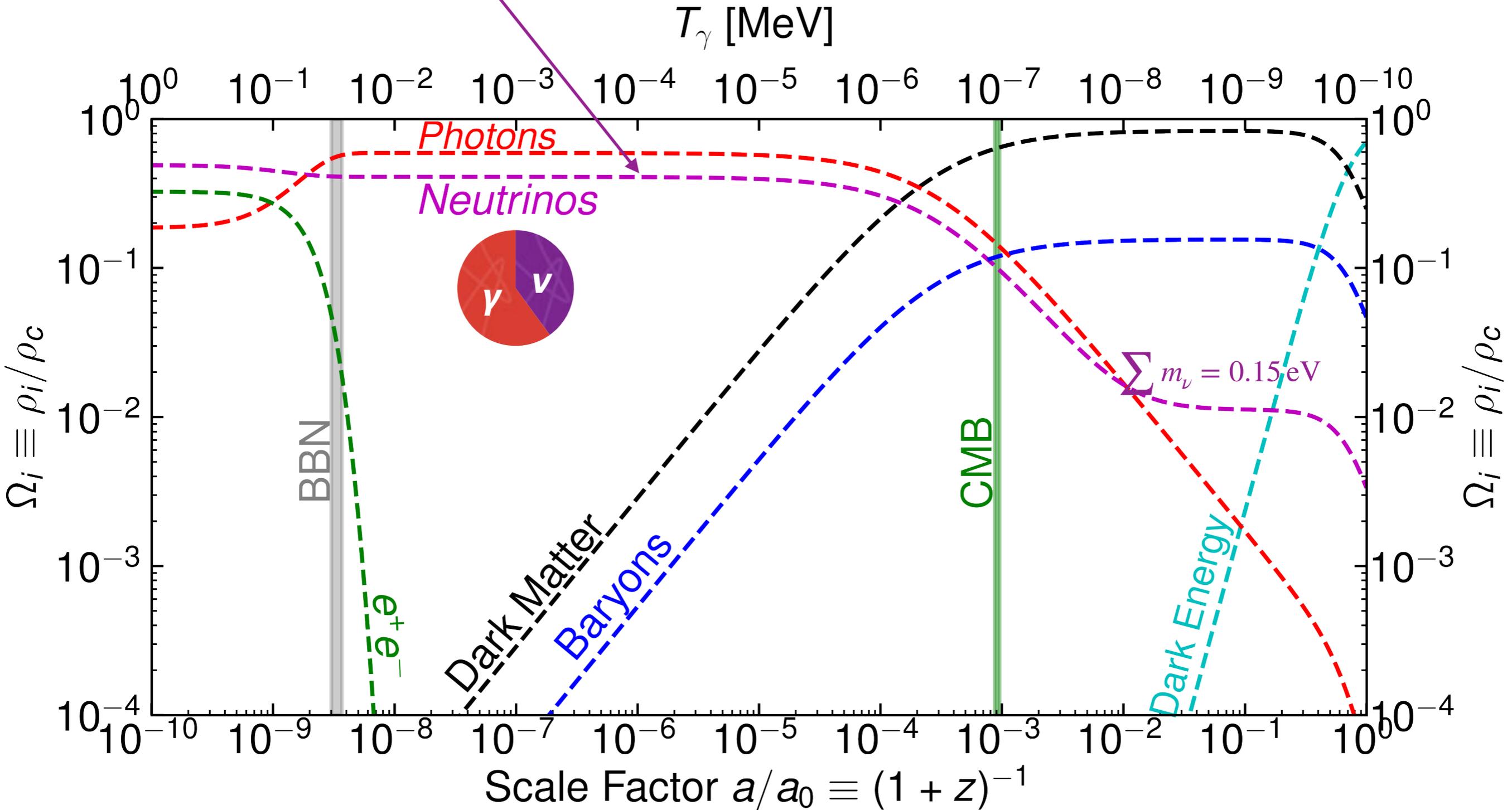
$$z_\nu^{\text{non-rel}} \simeq 200 \frac{m_\nu}{0.1 \text{ eV}}$$

- Energy density is simply  $\rho = \langle E \rangle \times n$ , which implies at  $T_\nu \ll m_\nu$ :

$$\Omega_\nu h^2 = \frac{\rho_\nu}{\rho_c/h^2} = \sum m_\nu / (93.14 \text{ eV})$$

# Neutrino Evolution

Neutrinos are always a relevant species in the Universe's evolution

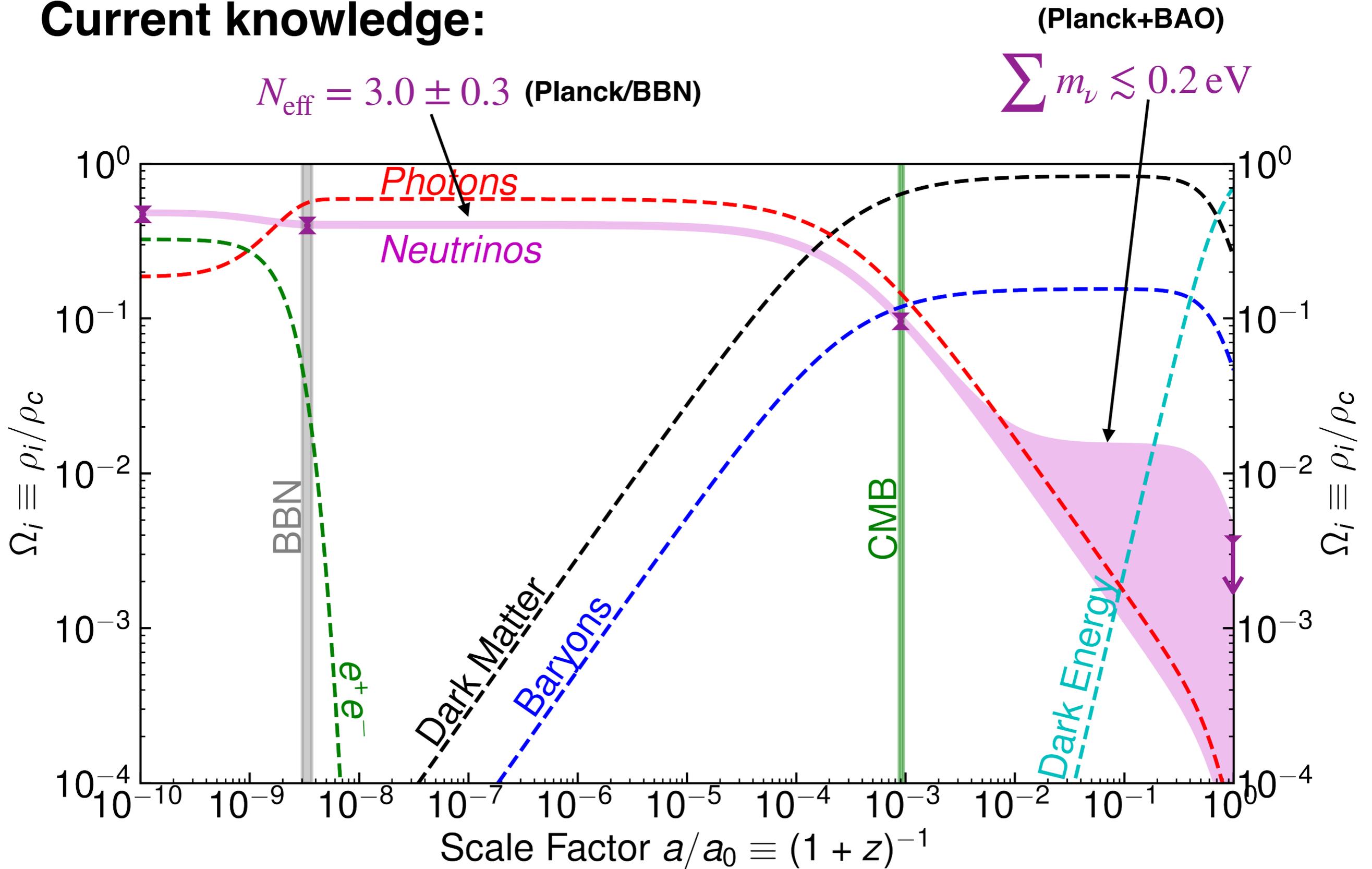


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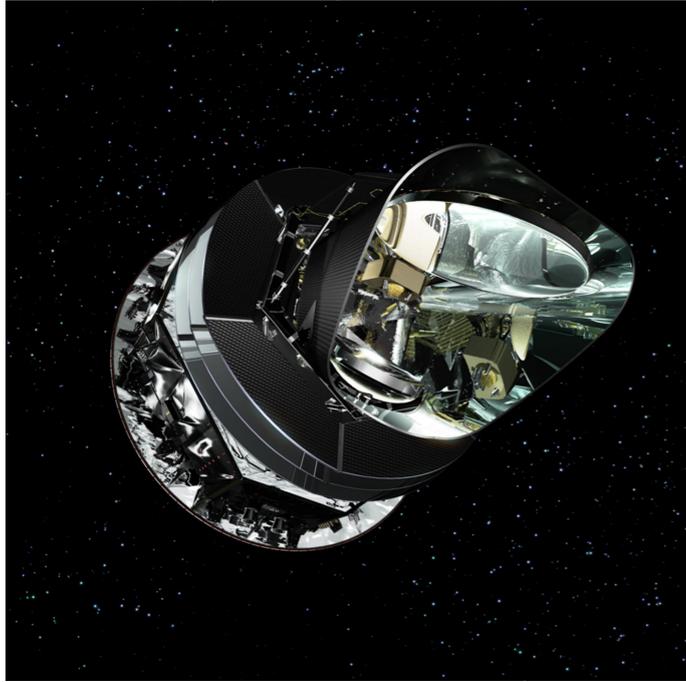
# Global Perspective

## Current knowledge:

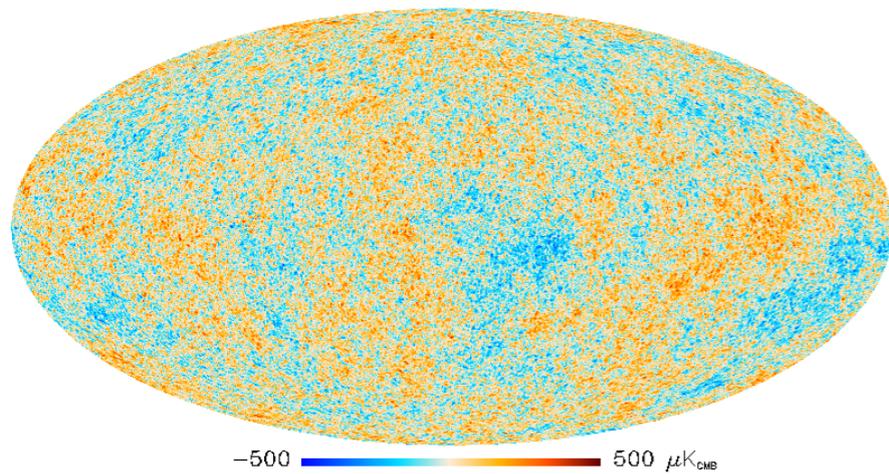


# Main players of today

## Planck



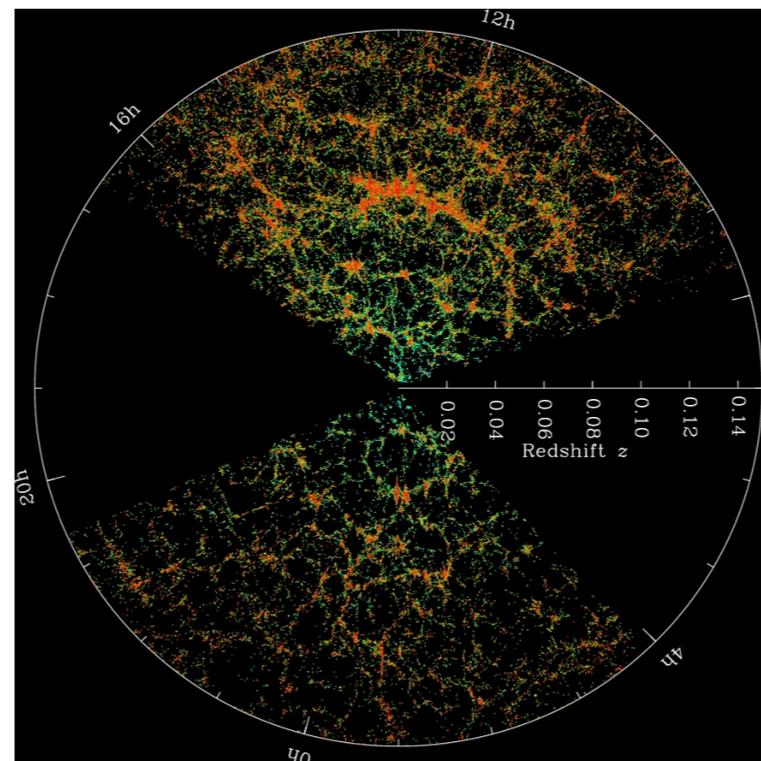
full sky, with  
 $\Delta T/T \simeq 2 \times 10^{-6}$  to  $\theta \simeq 0.2^\circ$



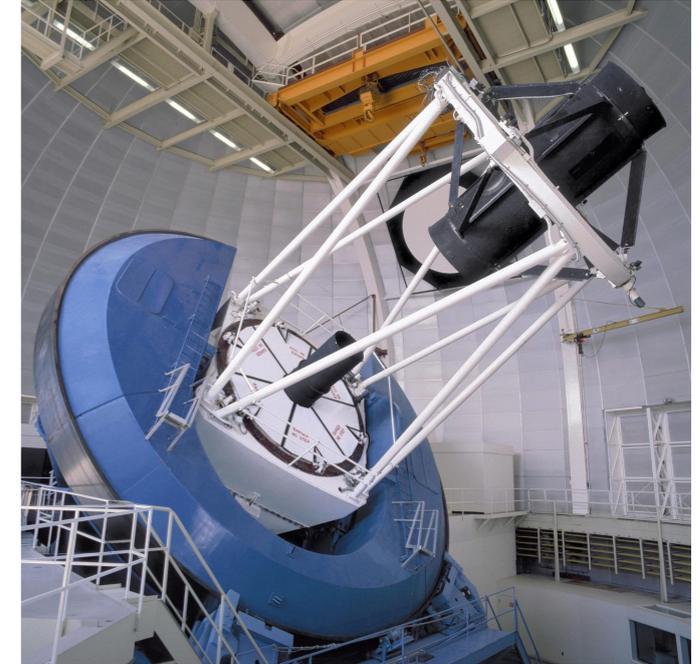
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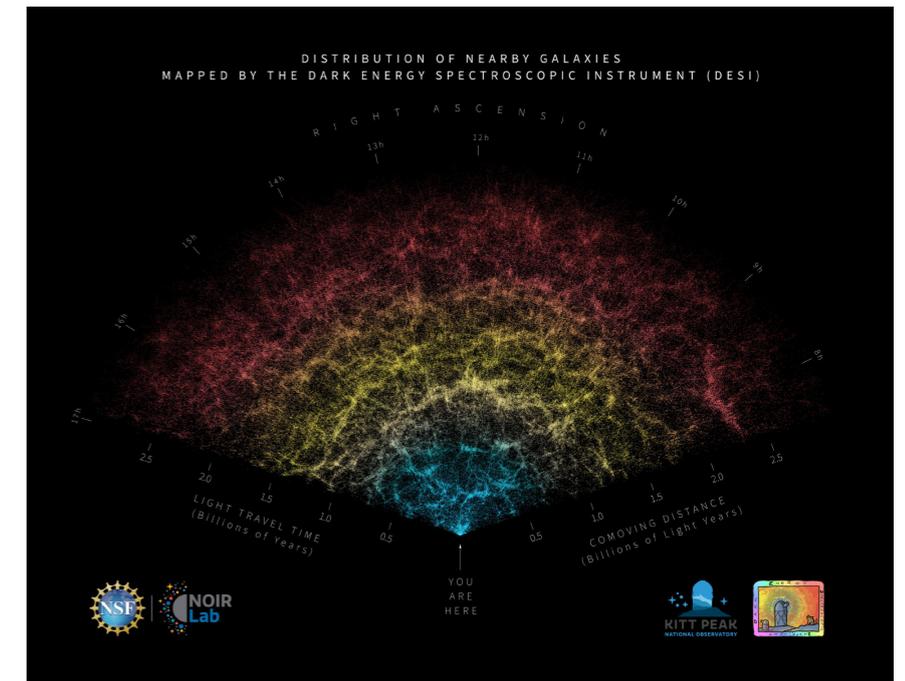
1.5M galaxies



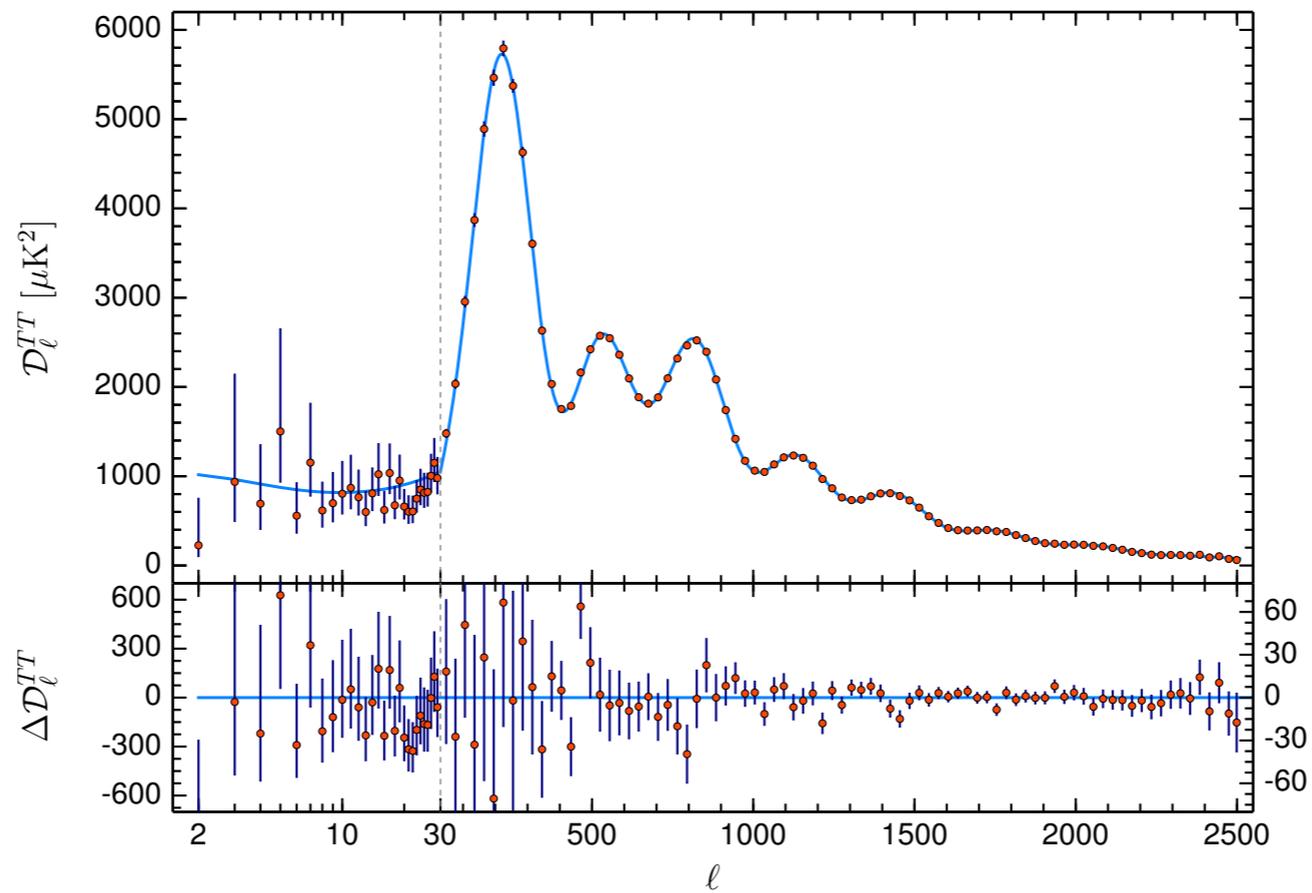
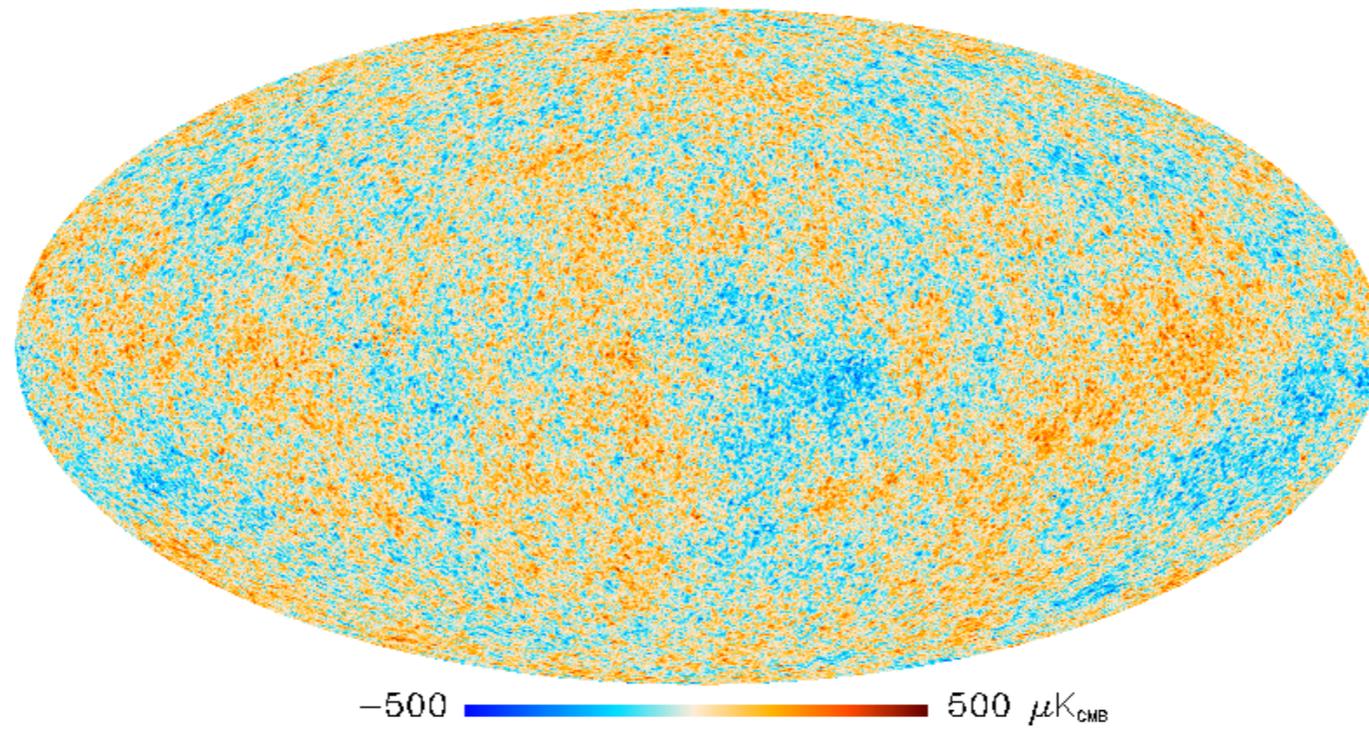
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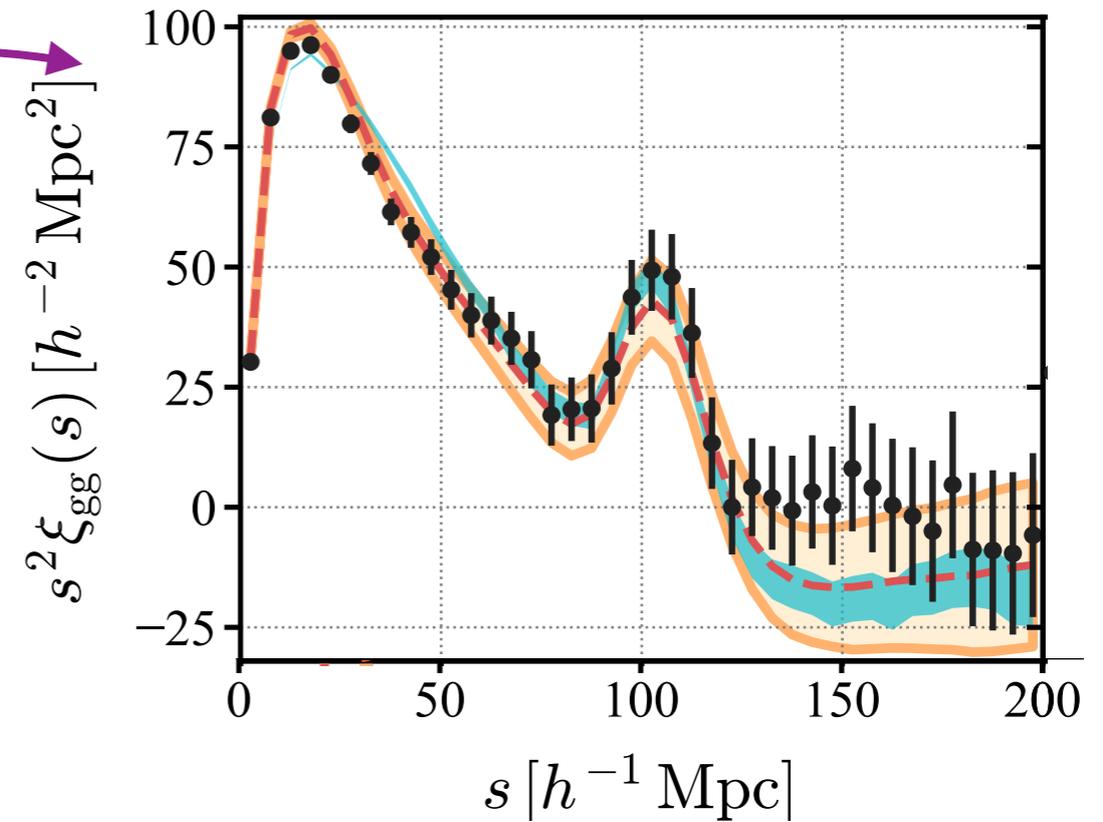
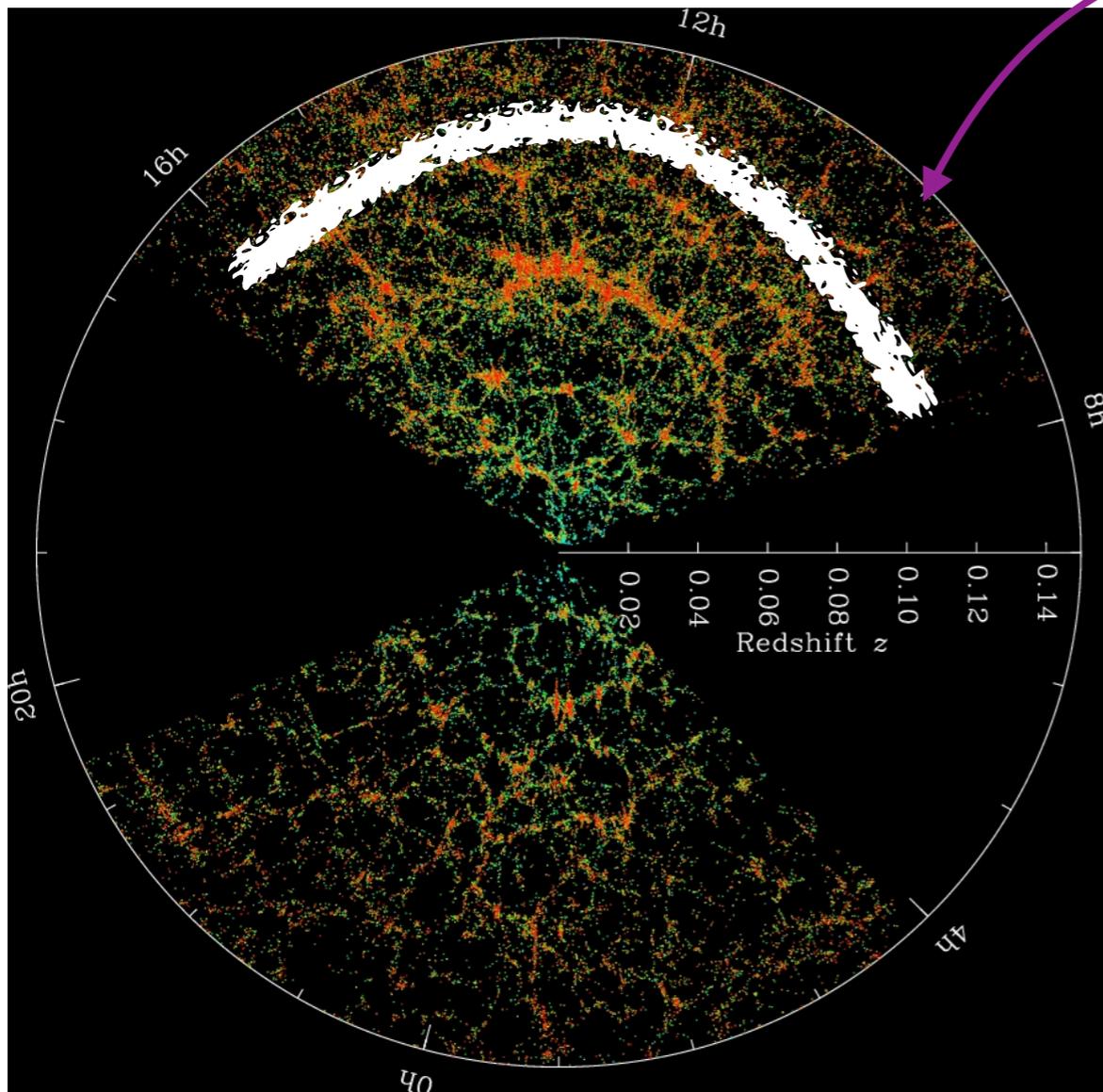
5M galaxies



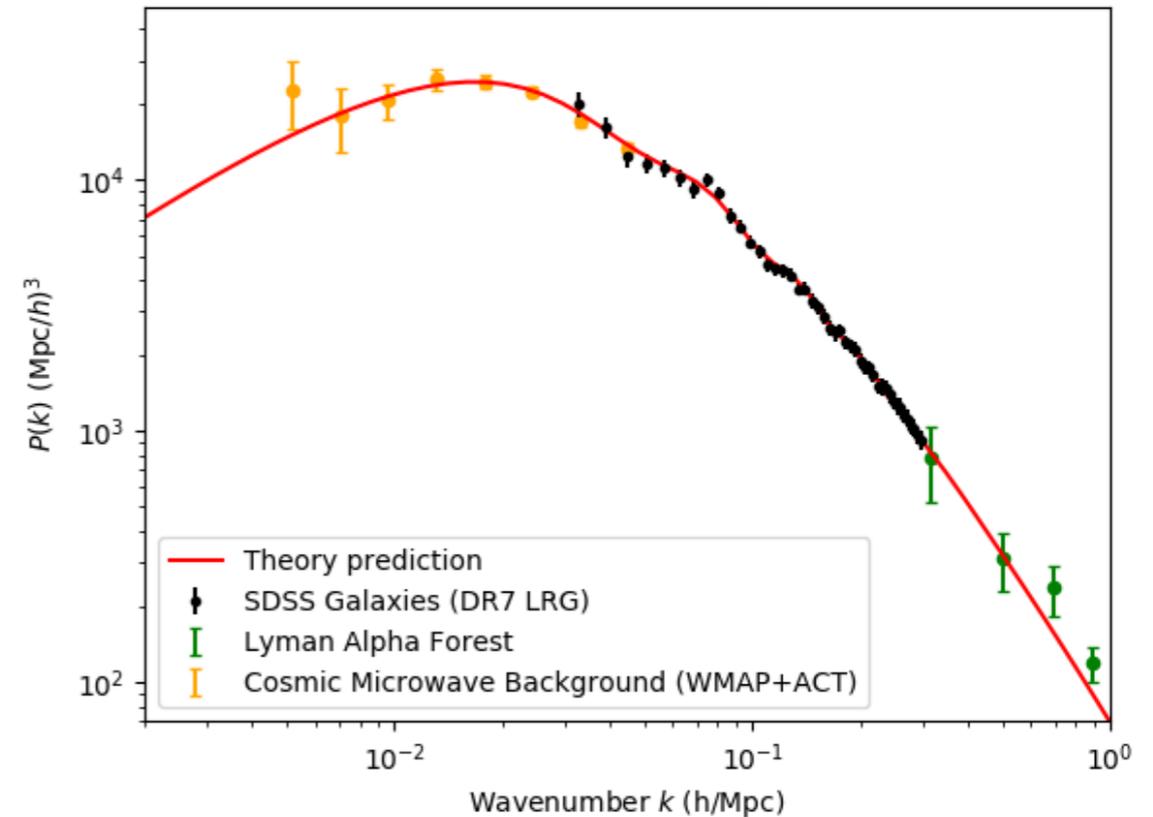
# The Data: CMB



# The Data: Galaxy Clustering



The total matter power-spectrum



# Evidence for Cosmic Neutrinos

- **Current constraints**

**BBN**

$$N_{\text{eff}}^{\text{BBN}} = 2.86 \pm 0.28$$

Pisanti et al. 2011.11537

**Planck+BAO**

$$N_{\text{eff}}^{\text{CMB}} = 2.99 \pm 0.17$$

Planck 2018, 1807.06209

- **Standard Model prediction:**  $N_{\text{eff}}^{\text{SM}} = 3.043(1)$

- **Data is in excellent agreement with the Standard Model prediction**

- **This provides strong (albeit indirect) evidence for the Cosmic Neutrino Background.**

## **Implications:**

1) **Stringent constraint on many BSM settings**

2) **We can use cosmological data to test neutrino properties**

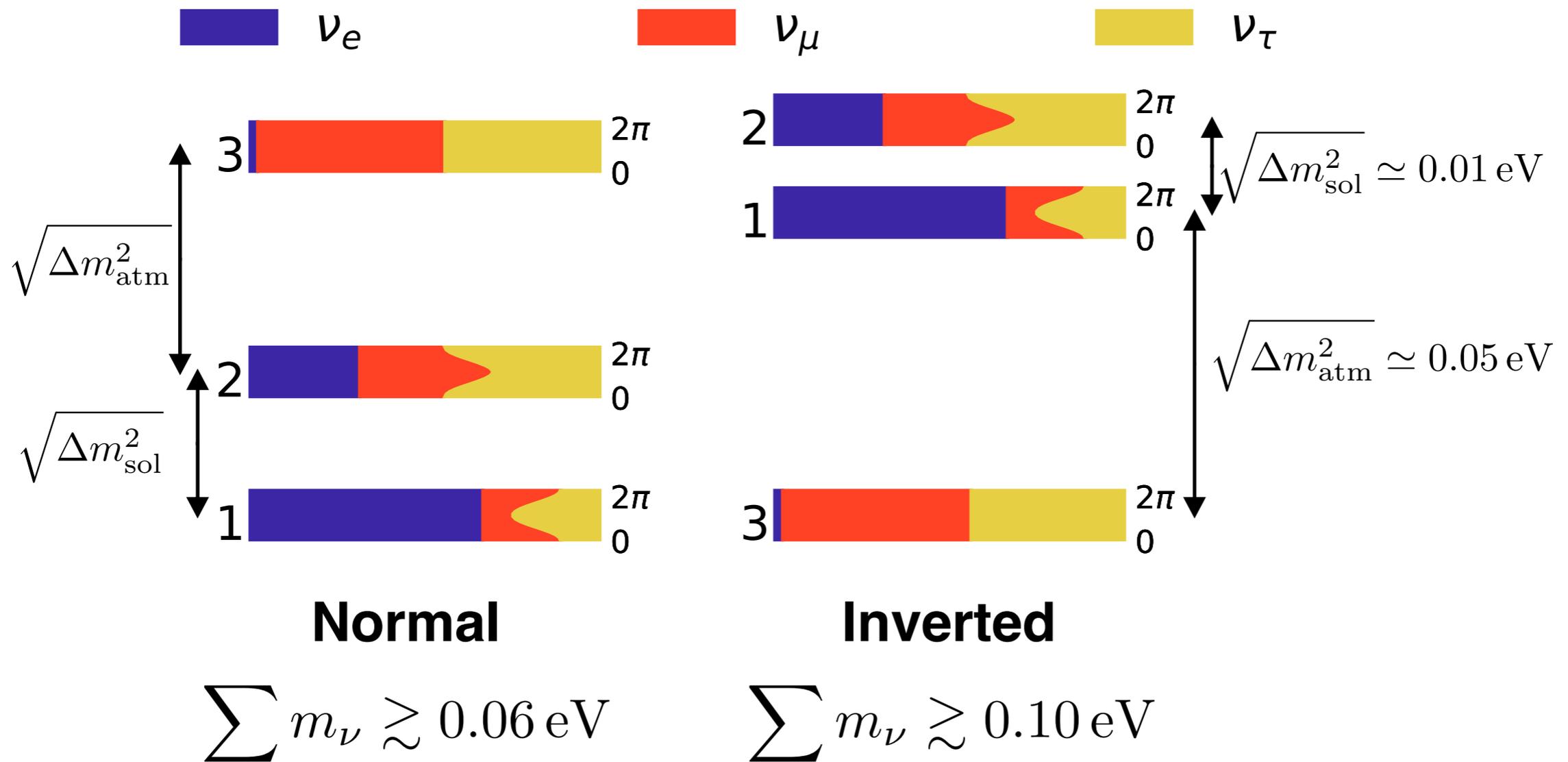
**Yesterday!**

**Today!**



# Neutrino Properties

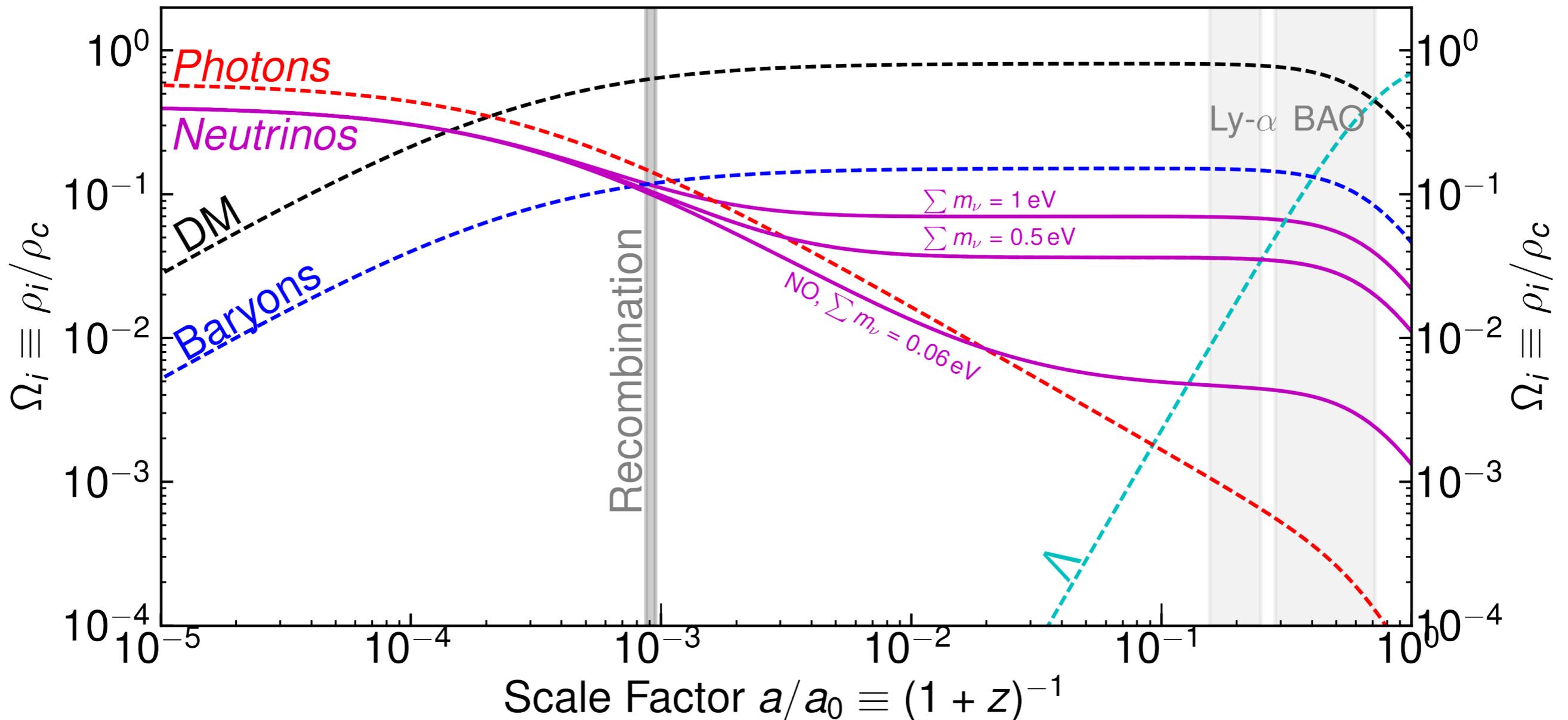
Figure from de Salas et al. 1806.11051



- Mass differences and mixings measured with high precision
- What is  $\delta_{\text{CP}}$  and what is the mass ordering? **Neutrino Oscillations**
- Are Neutrinos Dirac or Majorana particles?  **$0\nu 2\beta$  Experiments**
- What is the neutrino mass scale? i.e.  $\sum m_\nu$ ? i.e.  $m_{\text{lightest}}$ ? **KATRIN & Cosmology**

# Neutrino Masses in Cosmology

- 1) Massive neutrinos enhance the expansion history  $H \propto \sqrt{\rho}$



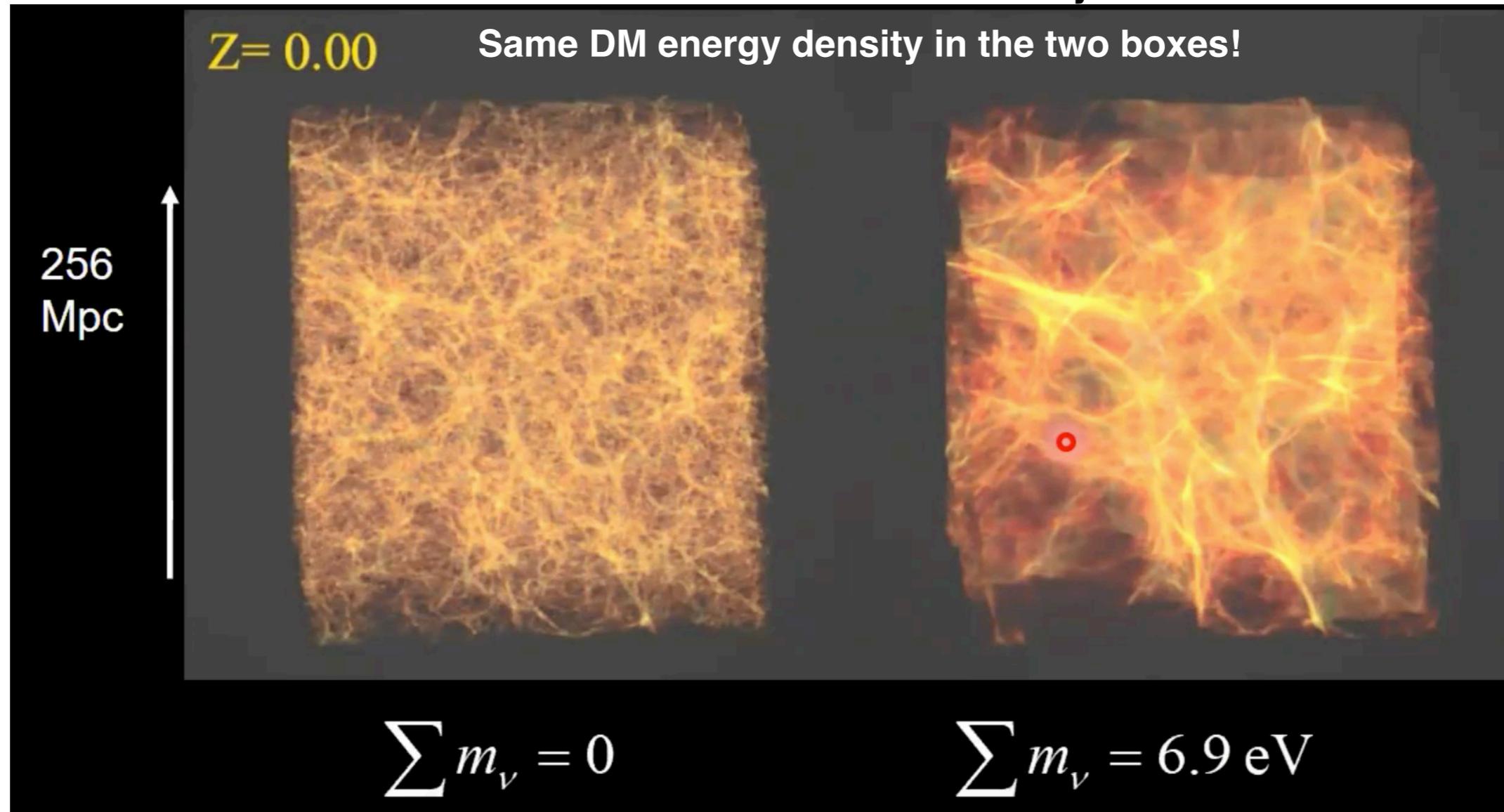
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# Neutrino Masses in Cosmology

- 2) Massive neutrinos suppress the growth of structure

Taken from a talk by Steen Hannestad [Link](#).



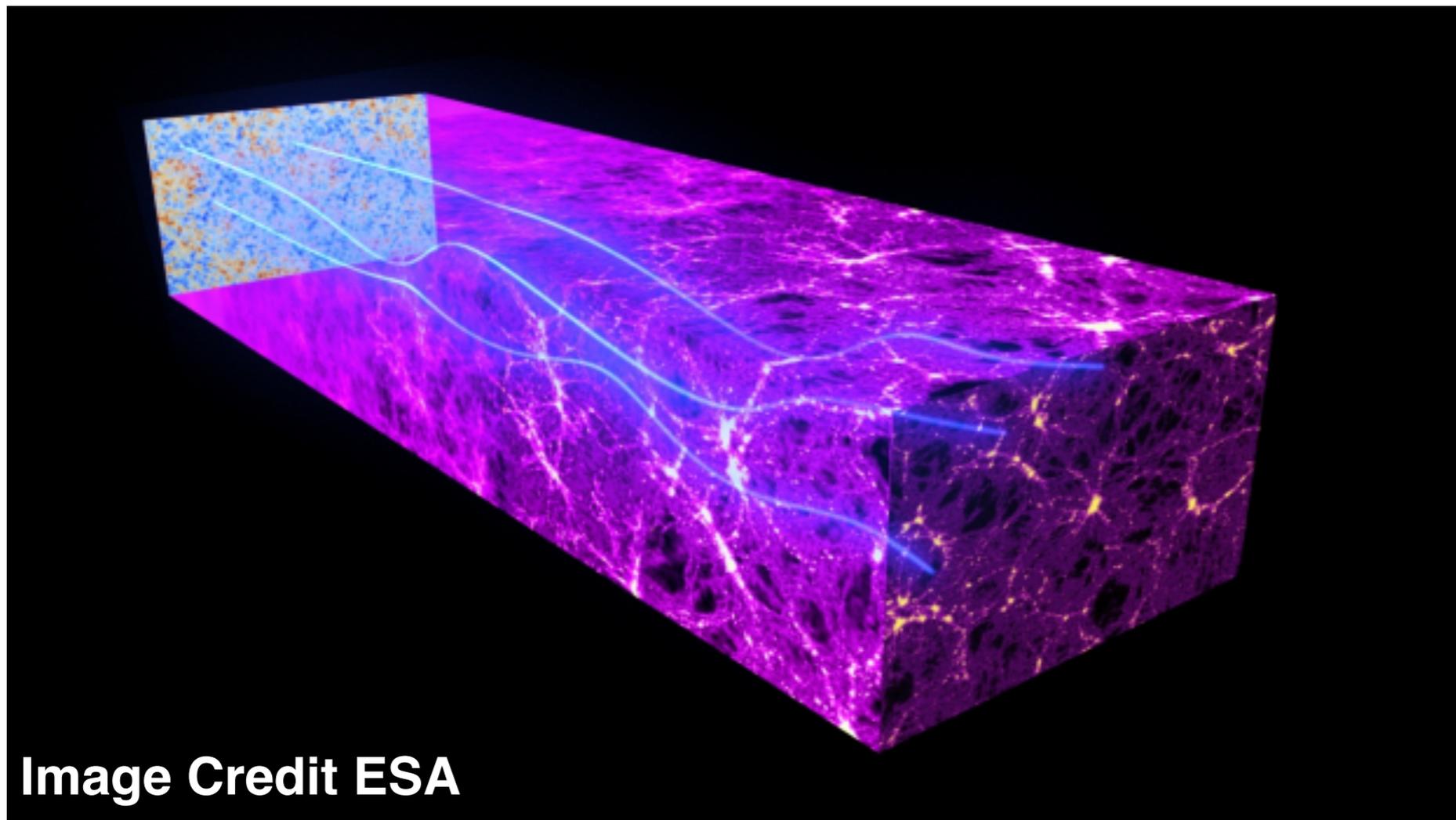
This happens because neutrinos travel very fast and therefore cannot fall in gravitational potentials. The effect of this smoothing is proportional to  $\Omega_\nu$

# Neutrino Masses in Cosmology

## Cosmic Microwave Background Anisotropies

Neutrinos of  $m_\nu < 0.5 \text{ eV}$  become non-relativistic after recombination. That means that their effect on the anisotropies is somewhat small!

The most relevant impact is through the effect of gravitational lensing:

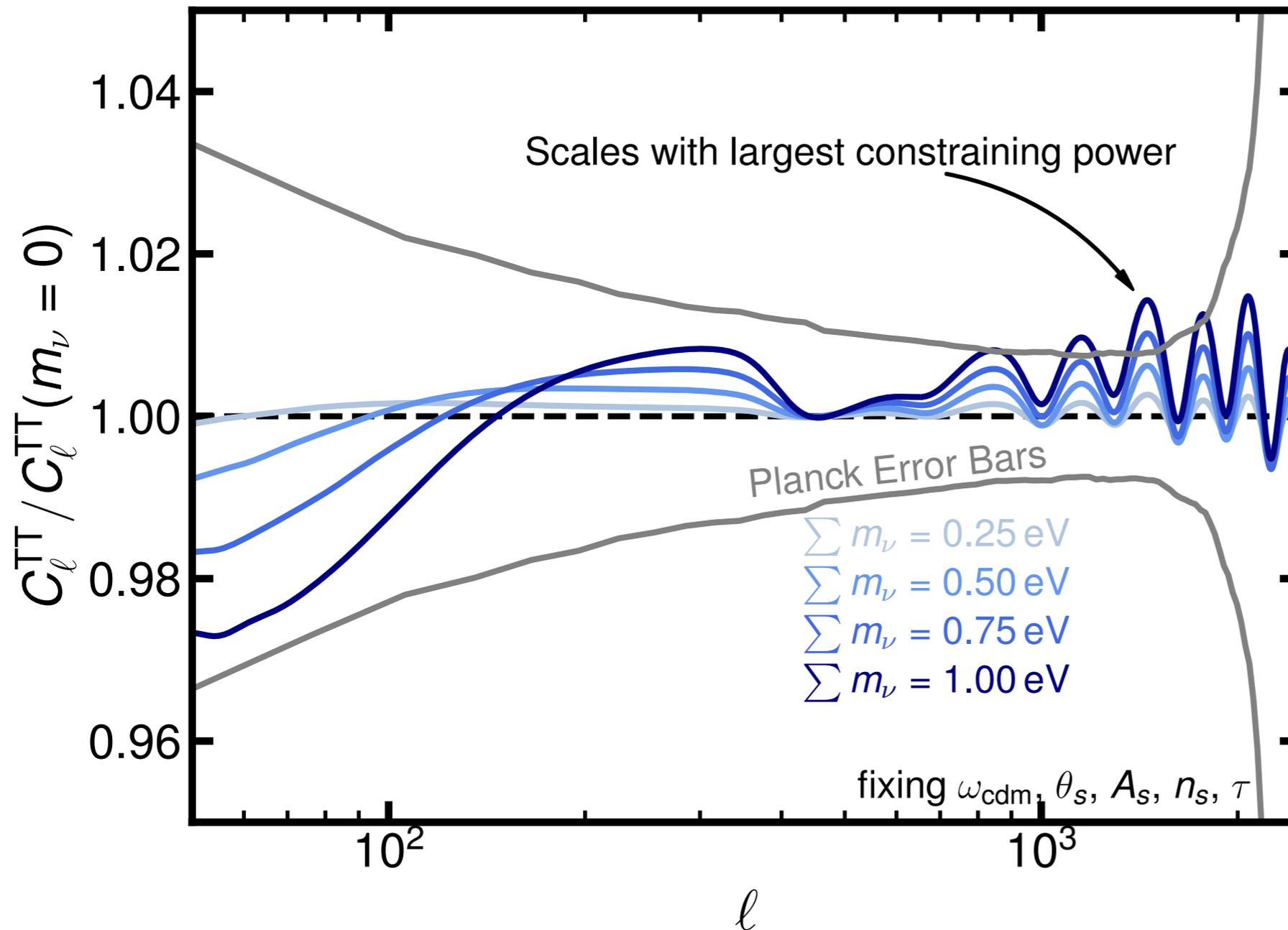


The larger the neutrino mass the less is the CMB light lensed!

# Neutrino Masses in Cosmology

## Cosmic Microwave Background Anisotropies

The effect of neutrino masses in the CMB:



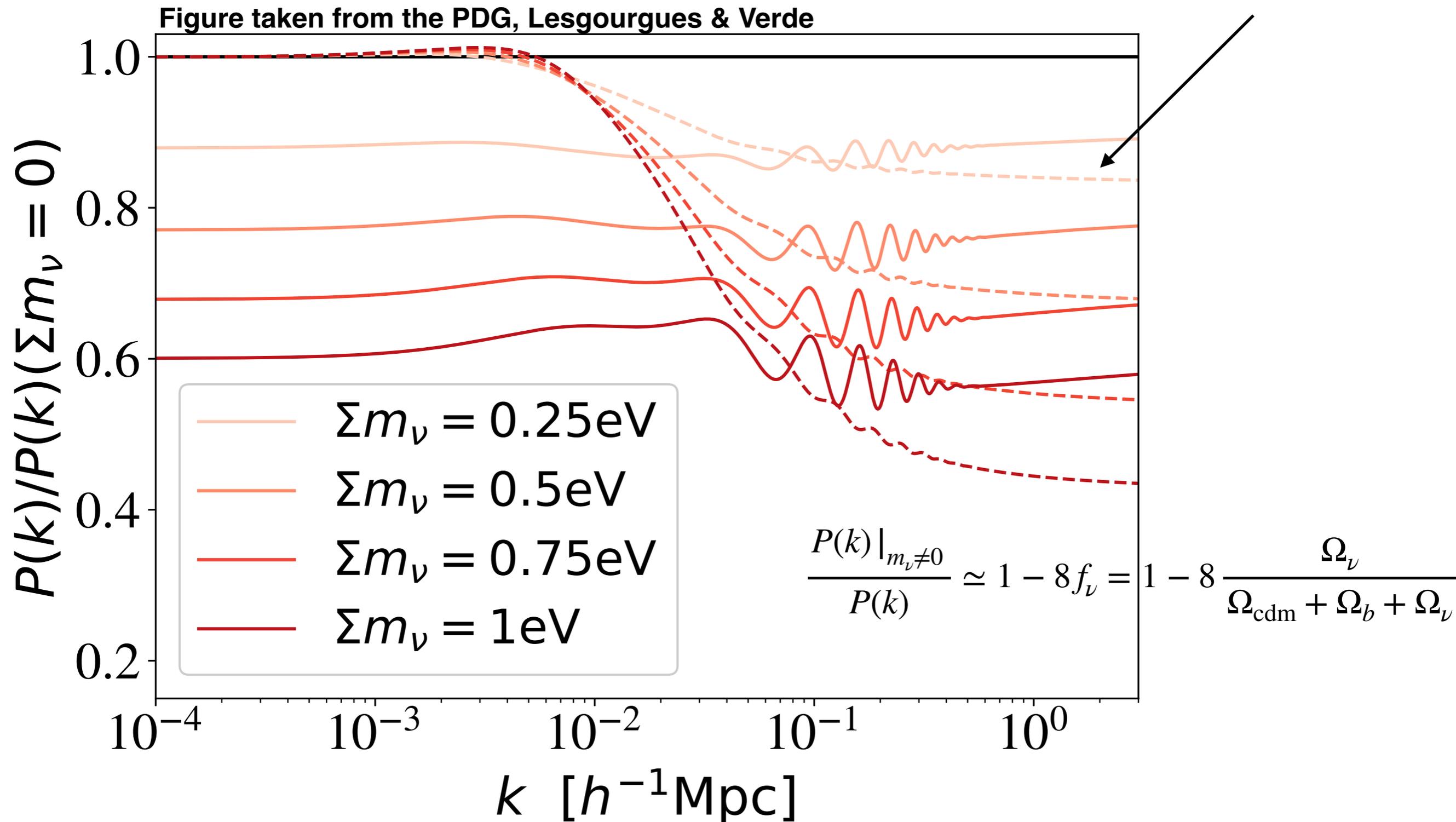
$$\sum m_\nu < 0.54 \text{ eV}$$

**(95 % CL, TT+lowE)**

# Neutrino Masses in Cosmology

## Galaxy Surveys

Suppression from  $\Omega_\nu h^2$



# Neutrino Masses in Cosmology

## On the Standard Model of Cosmology:

**$\Lambda$ CDM**  $\equiv$  Universe currently dominated by a Cosmological Constant and with Cold Dark Matter

Model parametrized by 6 parameters:  $\Omega_b h^2$   $\Omega_{\text{cdm}} h^2$   $A_s$   $n_s$   $\tau_{\text{reio}}$   $\theta_s$

## Parameter degeneracies with the neutrino mass:

see e.g. Archidiacono et al. [1610.09852]

$\sum m_\nu$  is strongly correlated with  $H_0$  and  $\Omega_m$

because:

- 1) The amount of lensing is strongly correlated with the dark matter abundance too
- 2) The angular diameter distance to recombination is also constrained by these two parameters

**BAO data can break precisely these degeneracies!**

# Neutrino Masses from Cosmology

## Planck 2018 for $\Lambda$ CDM (1807.06209)

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.54 \text{ eV} \quad (95 \% \text{ CL, TT+lowE})$$

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.26 \text{ eV} \quad (95 \% \text{ CL, TTTEEE+lowE})$$

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.24 \text{ eV} \quad (95 \% \text{ CL, TTTEEE+lowE+lensing})$$

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.12 \text{ eV} \quad (95 \% \text{ CL, TTTEEE+lowE+lensing+BAO-SDSS})$$

## DESI (2404.03002)

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.073 \text{ eV} \quad (95 \% \text{ CL, CMB+BAO-DESIY1})$$

To be compared to the KATRIN bound:  $\sum m_\nu < 1.5 \text{ eV}$

But also with the minimal possible value!

$$\sum m_\nu \gtrsim 0.06 \text{ eV} \quad \sum m_\nu \gtrsim 0.10 \text{ eV}$$

# Neutrino Masses from Cosmology

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.073 \text{ eV (95 \% CL CMB+BAO-DESIY1)}$$

**Very robust bounds from linear Cosmology  $\Delta T/T \sim 10^{-5}$**

**What about other non-linear cosmological data?**

**What about possible systematics in the Planck CMB and BAO data?**

**What is the dependence upon the assumed statistical procedure?**

**And, all cosmological bounds are cosmological model dependent**

**What is the dependence upon the assumed Cosmological Model?**

# Neutrino Masses from Cosmology

## Data beyond Planck within $\Lambda$ CDM

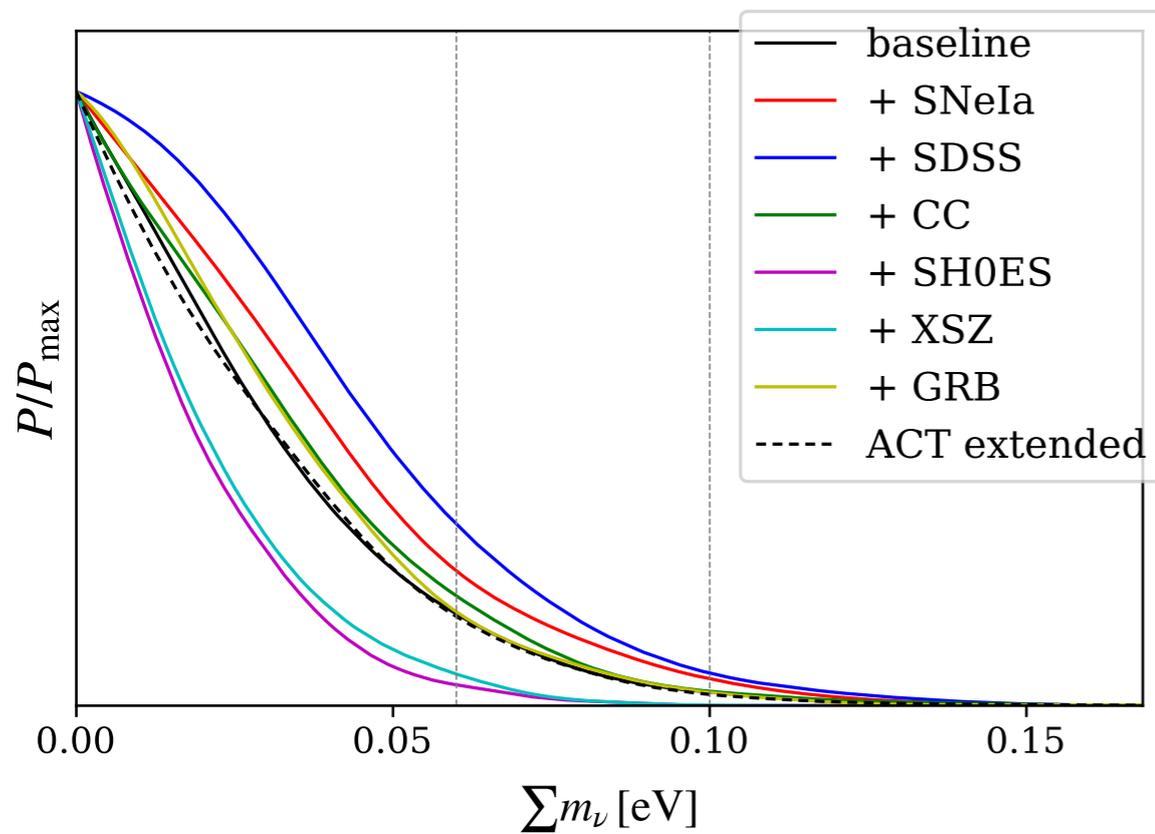
$\sum m_\nu < 0.26 \text{ eV}$	<b>Planck</b>	<b>Planck 1807.06209</b>
$\sum m_\nu < 0.12 \text{ eV}$	<b>Planck+SDSS-BAO</b>	<b>Planck 1807.06209</b>
$\sum m_\nu < 0.073 \text{ eV}$	<b>CMB+DESI-BAO</b>	<b>DESI 2404.03002</b>
$\sum m_\nu < 0.86 \text{ eV}$	<b>SDSS P(k)</b>	<b>Ivanov et al. 1909.05277</b>
$\sum m_\nu < 0.16 \text{ eV}$	<b>Planck+SDSS P(k)</b>	<b>Ivanov et al. 1912.08208</b>
$\sum m_\nu < 0.58 \text{ eV}$	<b>Lyman-<math>\alpha</math>+H<sub>0</sub>prior</b>	<b>Palanque-Delabrouille et al. 1911.09073</b>
$\sum m_\nu < 0.10 \text{ eV}$	<b>Planck+Lyman-<math>\alpha</math></b>	
$\sum m_\nu < 0.048 \text{ eV}$	<b>Planck+DESI+H<sub>0</sub></b>	<b>Jiang et al. 2407.18047</b>
$\sum m_\nu < 0.081 \text{ eV}$	<b>Planck+DESI+SN</b>	<b>Jiang et al. 2407.18047</b>

- **Planck+BAO drive current cosmological constraints [compare DESI and SDSS]**
- **Non-linear or mildly non-linear data sets break degeneracies in the fit**
- **The larger H<sub>0</sub> is, the stronger the constraint on  $\sum m_\nu$  is** (However, this comes from combining two data sets in strong tension!)

# Neutrino Masses from Cosmology

Not only the bounds are stringent but there is no sign for a non-zero neutrino mass!

Jiang et al. [2407.18047]



Naredo-Tuero et al. [2407.13831]

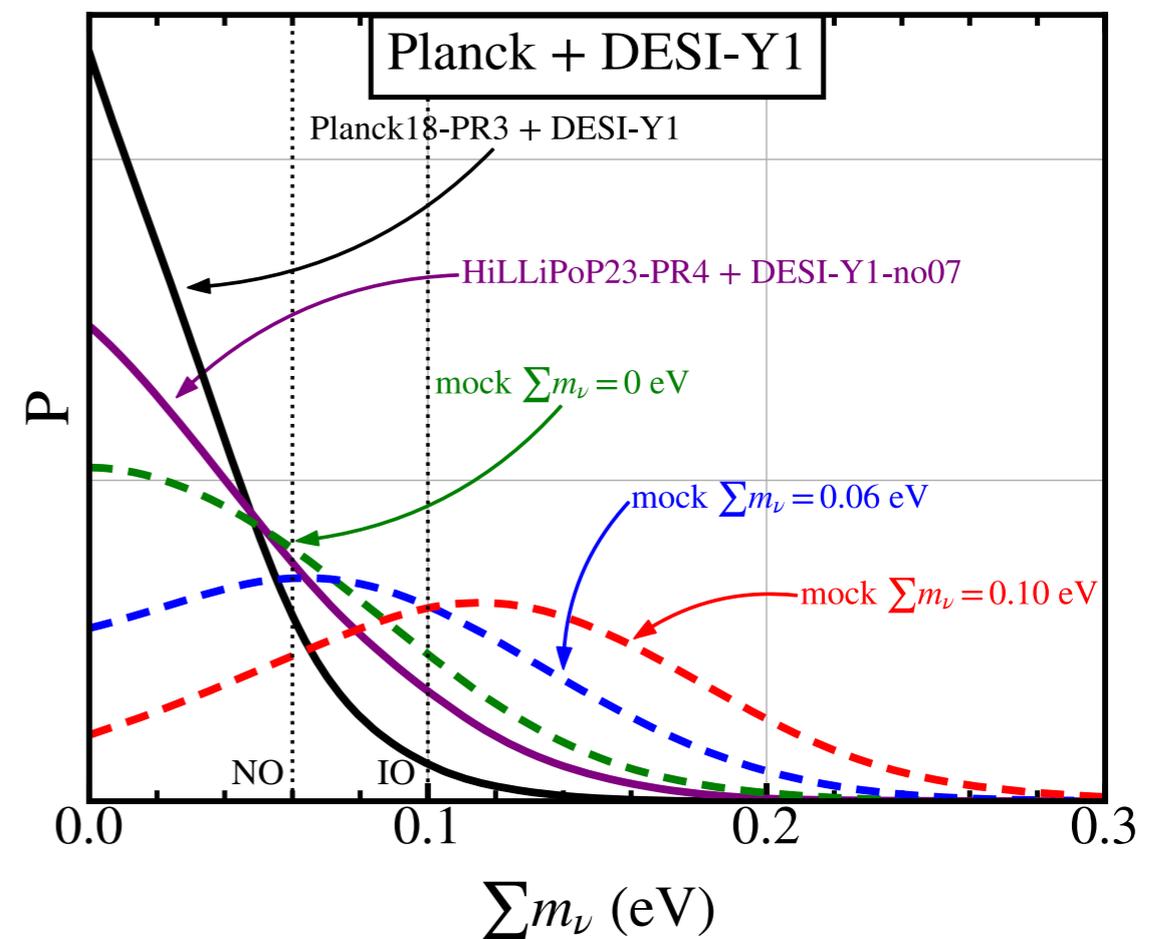


FIG. 1. Posterior distributions for the sum of the neutrino masses  $\Sigma m_\nu$  (in eV) obtained within the 7-parameter  $\Lambda$ CDM+ $\Sigma m_\nu$  model in light of different dataset combinations, as per the color coding.

# Neutrino Masses from Cosmology

## Neutrino masses and the Planck lensing anomaly

There is an anomaly in the Planck 2018 data at high multipoles which could potentially have relevant implications for the neutrino mass constraints

This tension ( $3\sigma$ ) is parametrized in terms of the  $A_L$  parameter, which is an *unphysical parameter* modifying the amplitude of the lensing spectrum!

Importantly, the Planck collaboration claims that the most likely origin of this tension is a statistical fluctuation:

1807.06209

*Planck* 2018 results. VI. Cosmological parameters

If the  $A_L > 1$  preference is simply a statistical excursion (perhaps the most likely explanation), this indicates that there are random features in the spectrum that are pulling some parameters unusually far from expected values.<sup>30</sup> There are several

In addition, more recent analyses of the Planck data do point in that direction:

see Rosenberg, Gratton & Efstathiou 2205.10869

The lower noise of the NPIPE maps leads to tighter parameter constraints, with a  $\sim 10\%$  improvement in most  $\Lambda$ CDM parameters in TTTEEE due primarily to improvements in polarization. For  $\Lambda$ CDM extensions we find that, relative to PR3, NPIPE polarization shrinks the error bars on  $\Omega_K$  and  $A_L$  from EE by 40% and 25% respectively, and by 15% and 8% in TTTEEE. That these smaller error bars are accompanied by shifts toward the  $\Lambda$ CDM values continues the trend observed in EG21 of decreasing the  $\Omega_K$  and  $A_L$  tensions as more data is used, as would be expected if these pulls were due to a statistical fluctuation. Overall, we conclude that NPIPE, despite

see Tristan et al 2309.10034

With *Planck* PR4, we find results even more compatible with unity compared to previous releases. Indeed for TTTEEE, we now obtain

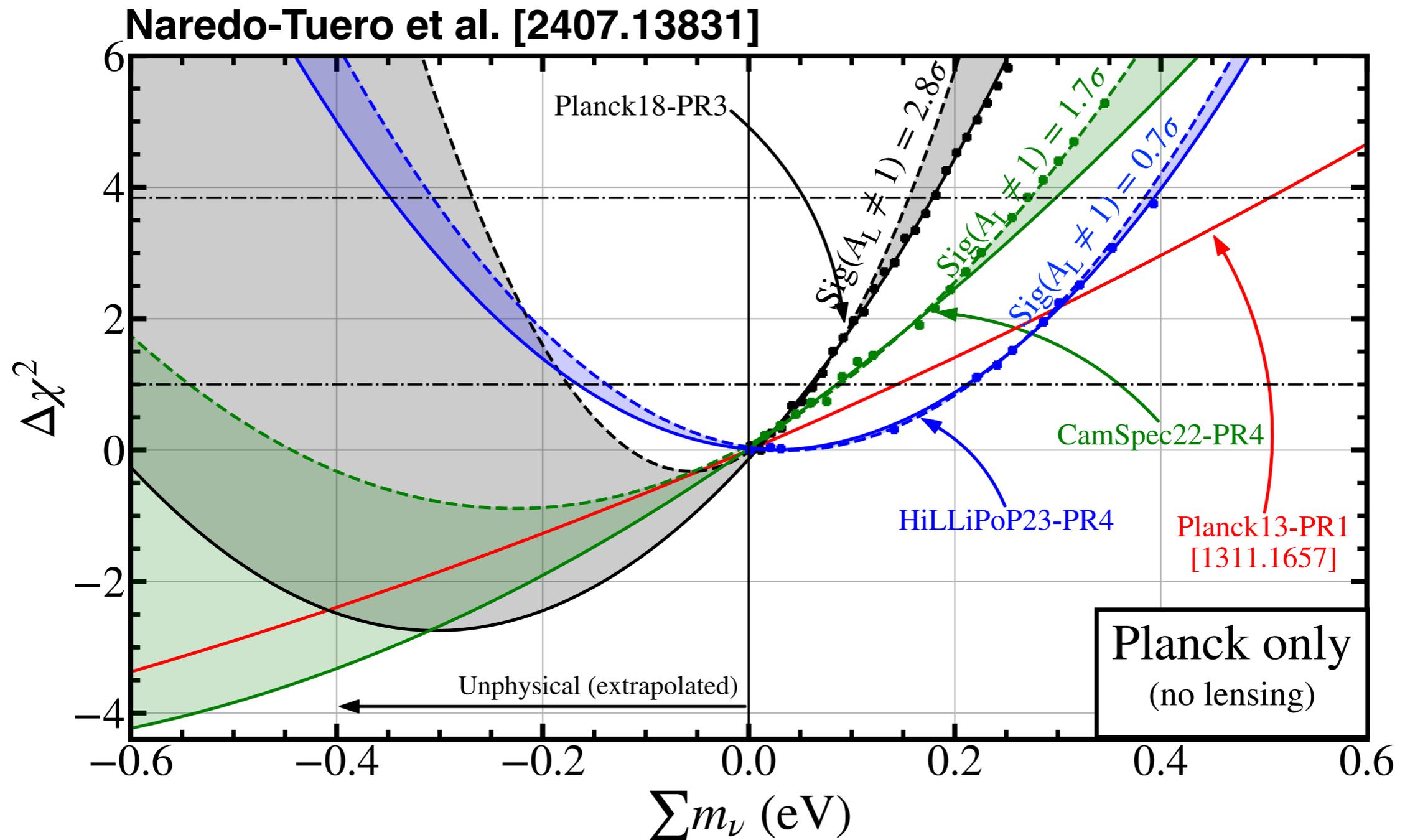
$$A_L = 1.039 \pm 0.052, \quad (35)$$

which is compatible with the  $\Lambda$ CDM expectation (at the  $0.7\sigma$  level). As shown in Table 6, while the results for EE and TE

# Neutrino Masses from Cosmology

## Neutrino masses and the Planck lensing anomaly

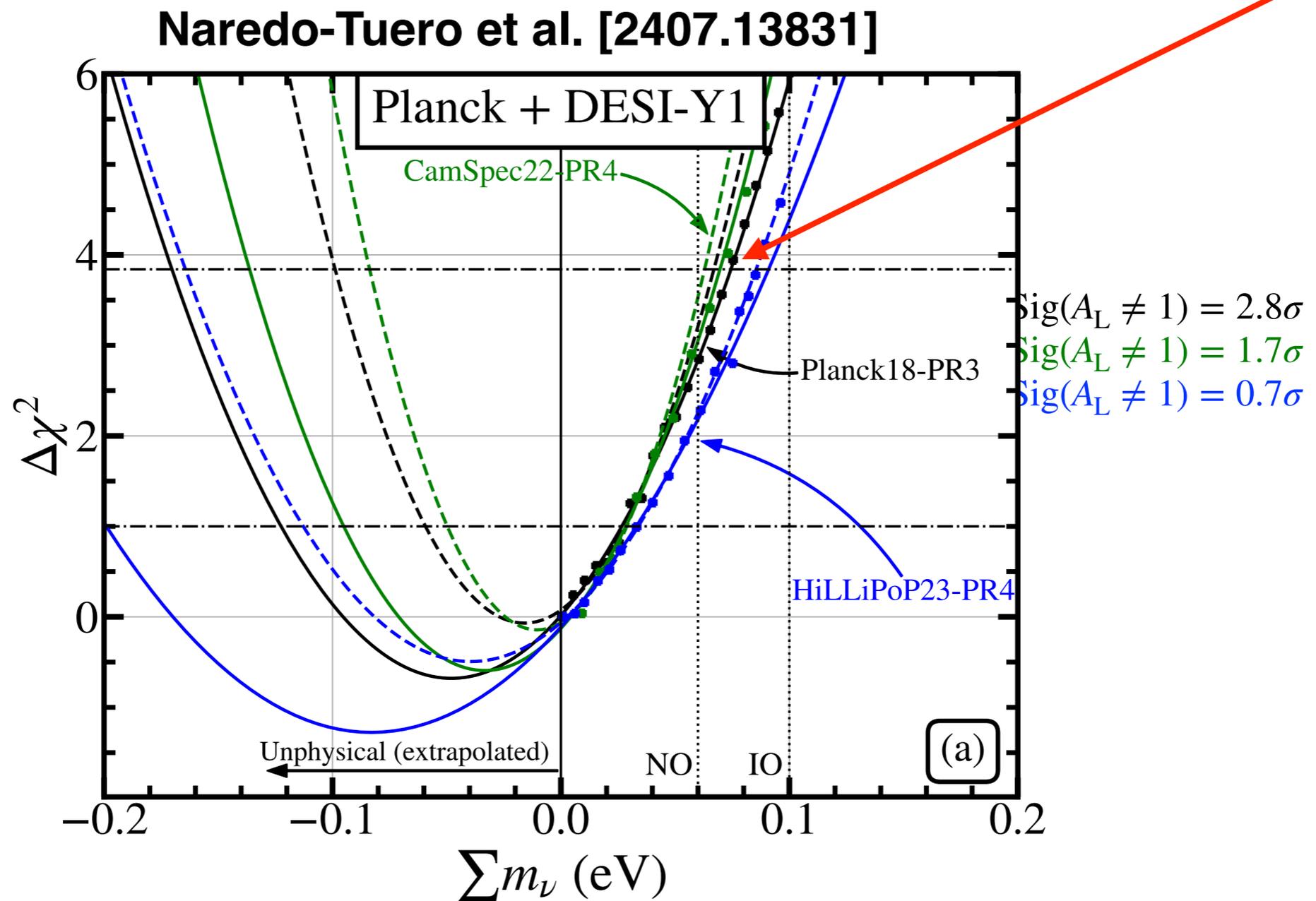
The neutrino mass bound weakens in Planck implementations not featuring the lensing anomaly



# Neutrino Masses from Cosmology

## Neutrino masses and the Planck lensing anomaly

The shift is not so significant when adding BAO data but still can vary within 30%!

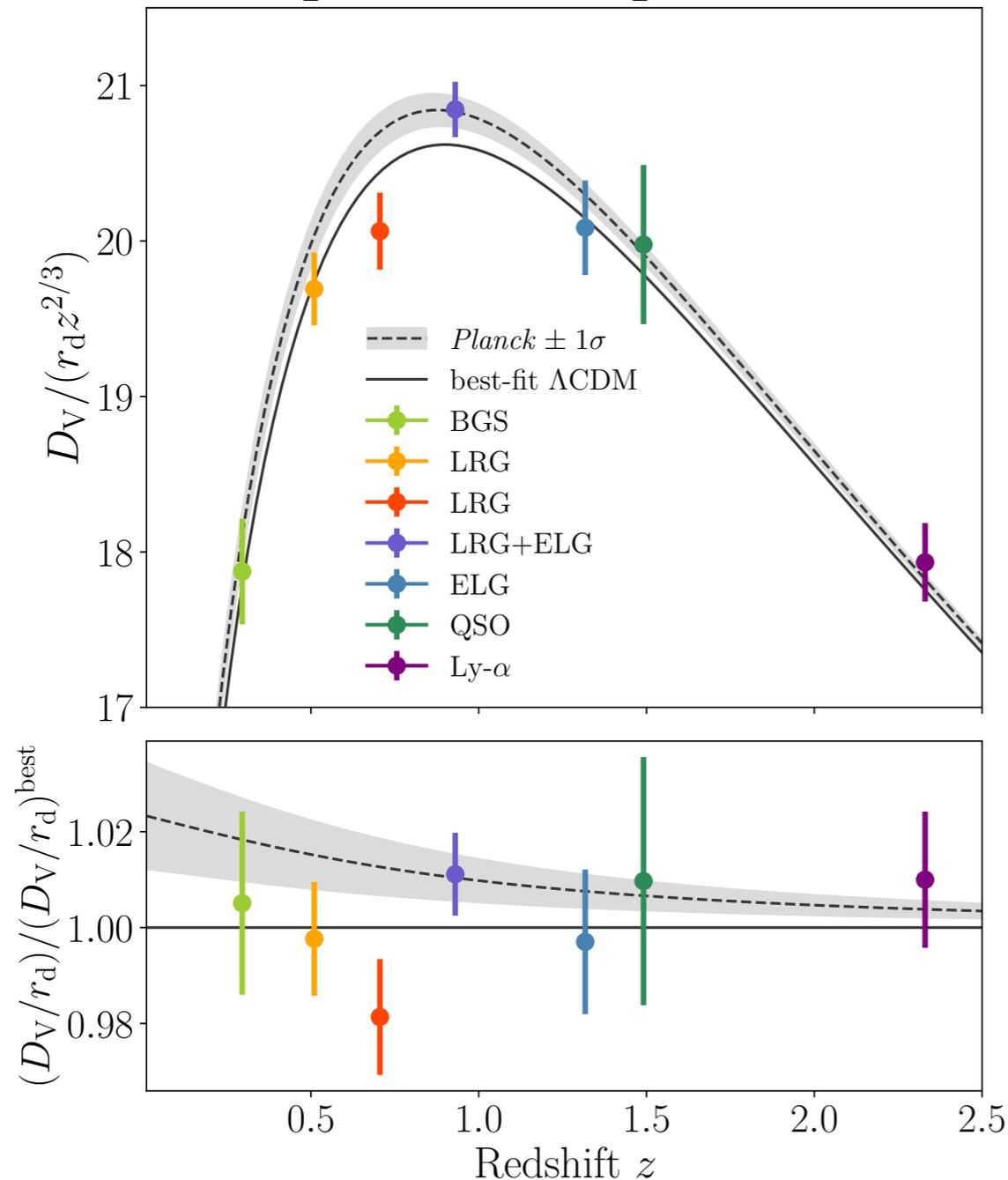


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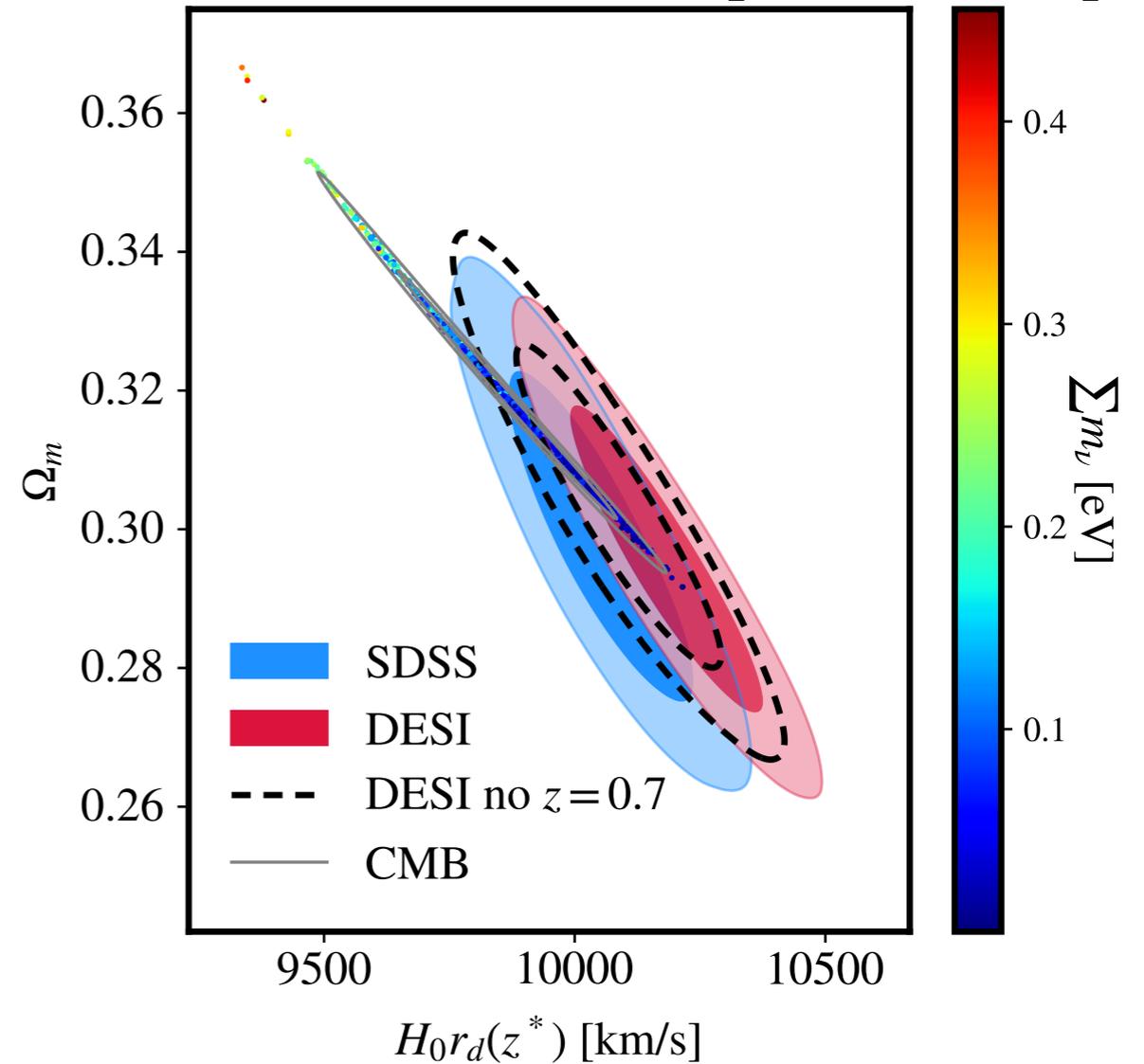
## Neutrino masses and DESI BAO data

DESI BAO data is overall in  $2\sigma$  tension with Planck predictions

DESI [2404.03002]



Naredo-Tuero et al. [2407.13831]



The bound is relaxed by  $\sim 30\%$  if the  $z=0.7$  bin is not used in the analysis

# Neutrino Masses from Cosmology

## Neutrino masses and statistical procedure use

**Cosmological analyses are typically performed using Bayesian statistics. That means one needs to impose a prior for all the parameters including the neutrino mass  $\Sigma m_\nu$ . This adds some level of arbitrariness in the resulting bound.**

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**Naredo-Tuero et al. [2407.13831]**

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.084 \text{ eV [Bayesian]}, \quad (5a)$$

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.074 \text{ eV [Bounded-Likelihood]}, \quad (5b)$$

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.071 \text{ eV [Feldman-Cousins]}. \quad (5c)$$

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.121 \text{ eV [NO-Bayesian]}, \quad (6a)$$

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.106 \text{ eV [NO-Bounded-Likelihood]}, \quad (6b)$$

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.096 \text{ eV [NO-Feldman-Cousins]}, \quad (6c)$$

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.152 \text{ eV [IO-Bayesian]}, \quad (7a)$$

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.138 \text{ eV [IO-Bounded-Likelihood]}, \quad (7b)$$

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.127 \text{ eV [IO-Feldman-Cousins]}. \quad (7c)$$

$$\Sigma m_\nu \in [0 - 3 \text{ eV}]$$

$$\Sigma m_\nu \in [0.06 - 3 \text{ eV}]$$

$$\Sigma m_\nu \in [0.1 - 3 \text{ eV}]$$

**Overall good agreement between the two (10%). Although they address different questions!**

# Neutrino Masses from Cosmology

## Cosmological Model Dependence

### Planck+SDSS and 3 degenerate neutrinos

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.12 \text{ eV}$$

**Standard Case**

Planck 1807.06209

$\Lambda$ CDM+m<sub>ν</sub>

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.25 \text{ eV}$$

**Dark Energy dynamics**

Choudhury & Hannestad 19'

CDM+m<sub>ν</sub>+ω<sub>a</sub>+ω

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.15 \text{ eV}$$

**Varying Curvature**

Choudhury & Hannestad 19'

$\Lambda$ CDM+m<sub>ν</sub>+Ω<sub>k</sub>

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.13 \text{ eV}$$

**Varying N<sub>eff</sub>**

Planck 1807.06209

$\Lambda$ CDM+m<sub>ν</sub>+N<sub>eff</sub>

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.17 \text{ eV}$$

**Varying N<sub>eff</sub>+ω+a<sub>s</sub>+m<sub>ν</sub>**

di Valentino et al. 1908.01391

CDM+m<sub>ν</sub>+N<sub>eff</sub>+ω+a<sub>s</sub>+m<sub>ν</sub>

- Constraints are robust upon standard modifications of  $\Lambda$ CDM

# Neutrino Masses from Cosmology

## Cosmological Model Dependence

### Non-standard Neutrino Cosmologies:

#### Invisible Neutrino Decay

$$\nu_i \rightarrow \nu_j \phi$$
$$\sum m_\nu \lesssim 0.2 \text{ eV}$$

Oldengott et al. 2203.09075 & 2011.01502  
Escudero & Fairbairn 1907.05425

$$\nu_i \rightarrow \nu_4 \phi$$

at least:  $\sum m_\nu \lesssim 0.42 \text{ eV}$

Abellán, Poulin et al. 1909.05275, 2112.13862  
Escudero, López-Pavón, Rius & Sandner 2007.04994

#### Time Dependent Neutrino Masses

Late phase transition

$$\sum m_\nu < 1.4 \text{ eV}$$

Dvali & Funcke 1602.03191  
Lorenz et al. 1811.01991 & 2102.13618

Ultralight scalar field screening

$$\sum m_\nu < 3 \text{ eV}$$

Esteban & Salvadó 2101.05804  
Wetterich et al. 1009.2461

#### Non-standard Neutrino Populations

$$T_\nu < T_\nu^{\text{SM}} + \text{DR}$$

$$\sum m_\nu < 3 \text{ eV}$$

Farzan & Hannestad 1510.02201  
Escudero, Schwetz & Terol-Calvo 2211.01729

$$\langle p_\nu \rangle > 3.15 T_\nu^{\text{SM}}$$

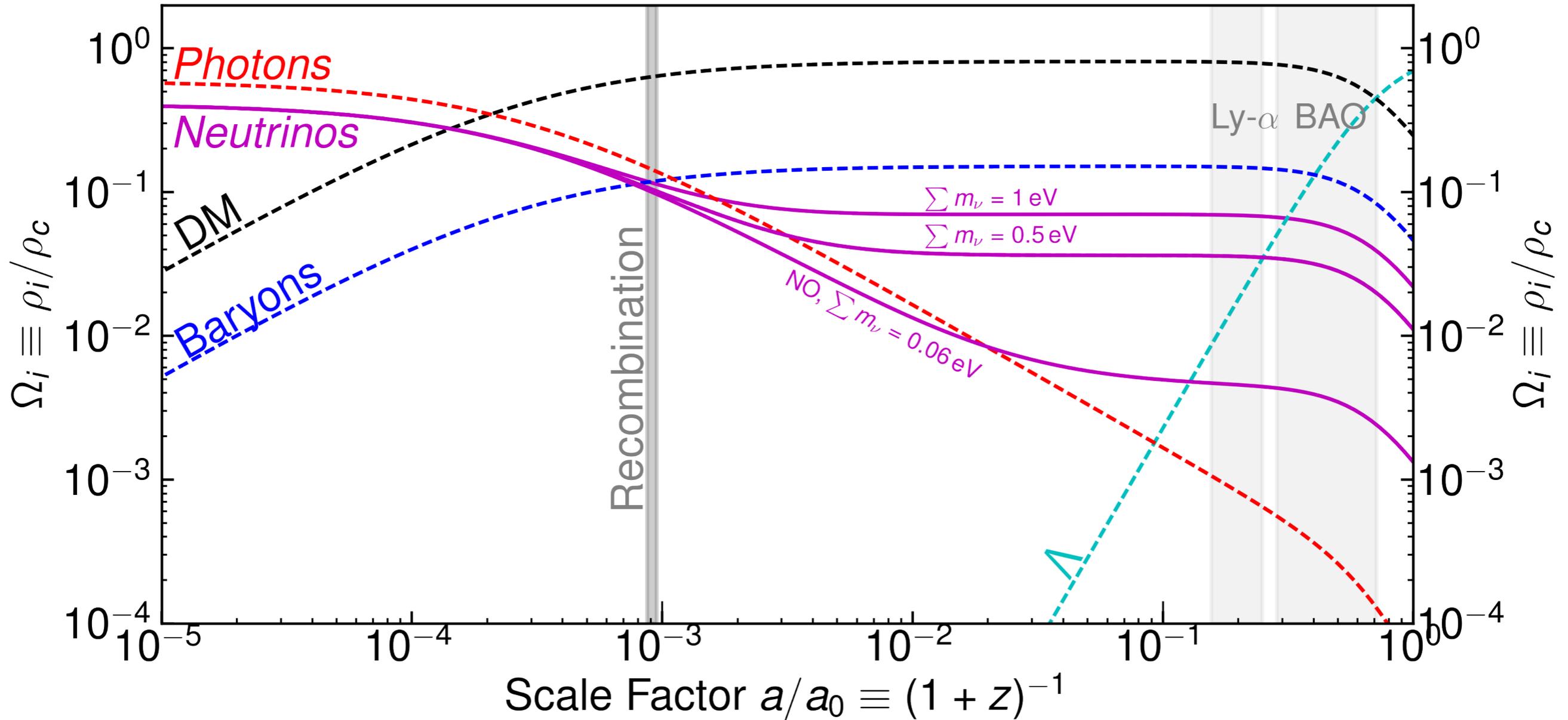
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Oldengott et al. 1901.04352  
Alvey, Escudero & Sabti 2111.12726

- **Bounds can be significantly relaxed in some extensions of  $\Lambda$ CDM. They require modifications to the neutrino sector.**

## But Why? and How?

# Neutrino Masses from Cosmology



**CMB peaks fix:**  
 $\theta_s \equiv r_s / D_M(z_*)$

$$r_s = \int_{z_*}^{\infty} \frac{c_s}{H(z')} dz'$$

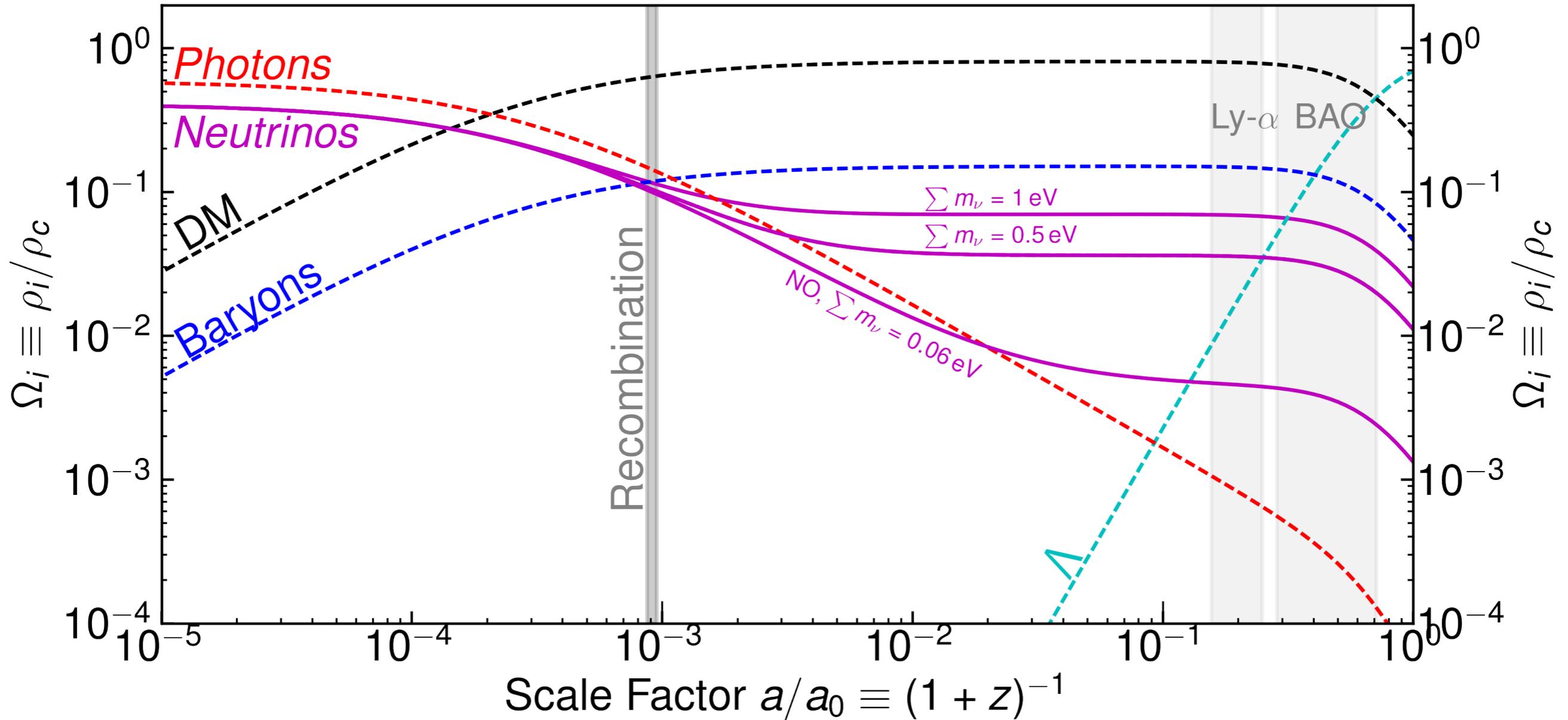
**Comoving sound horizon  
(Early Universe)**

$$D_M(z) = \int_0^z \frac{1}{H(z')} dz'$$

**Comoving angular diameter distance  
(Late Universe)**

Massive neutrinos  $\rightarrow$

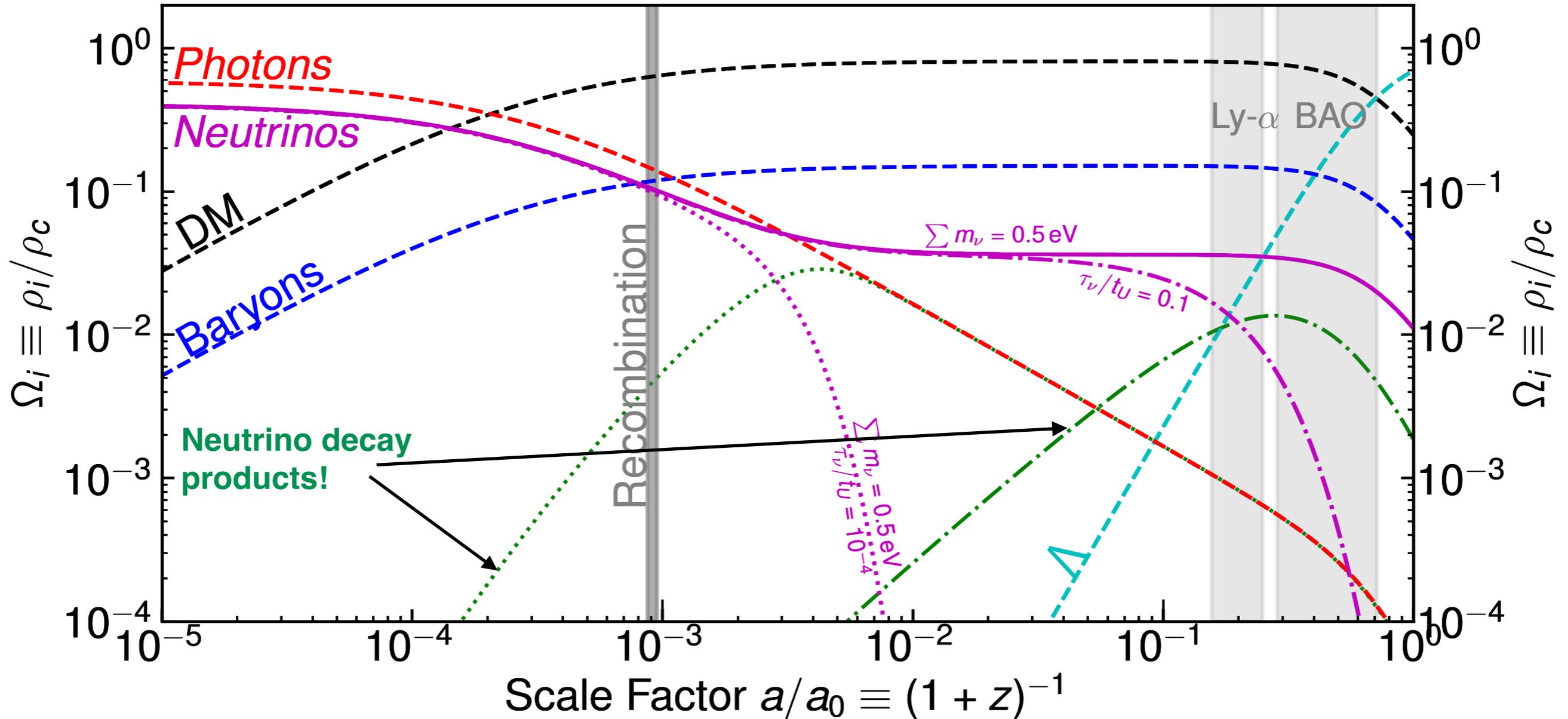
# Neutrino Masses from Cosmology



**Not only a background effect:**

**Massive neutrinos also affect CMB lensing  $\propto \Omega_\nu$**

# Neutrino Decays



**Neutrinos decaying with  $\tau_\nu \lesssim t_U/10$  do not impact  $D_M(z_{\text{CMB}})$**

**Effect of induced neutrino Lensing is substantially reduced**

**Unstable Neutrinos can relax the bounds on  $\Sigma m_\nu$ !**

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Alvey, Escudero & Sabti 2111.14870

### Take Away Message:

**Cosmology can only constrain  $\Omega_\nu(z)$  and not directly  $m_\nu$**

**All these models reduce  $\Omega_\nu(z)$  with respect to the one in  $\Lambda$ CDM and are in excellent agreement with all known cosmological data**

# Neutrino Masses from Cosmology

Current cosmological neutrino mass bounds are dominated by Planck in combination with BAO data

**Very robust bounds from linear Cosmology**  $\Delta T/T \sim 10^{-5}$

DESI first year data release has yielded key results:

DESI (2404.03002)  $\sum m_\nu < 0.073 \text{ eV}$  (95 % CL, CMB+BAO-DESIY1)

**What about possible systematics in the Planck or other data?**

New Planck likelihood implementations can lead to a 30% relaxation of the bound  
The DESI outliers at  $z = 0.7$  pull significantly the bound (30%). It would be interesting to see if the trend continues in the data

**What is the dependence upon the assumed statistical procedure?**

The frequentist limits agree within 10% with the Bayesian approach using flat priors. This means that the likelihoods seem rather Gaussian.

**What is the dependence upon the assumed Cosmological Model?**

Bounds are rather robust upon standard modifications of  $\Lambda$ CDM

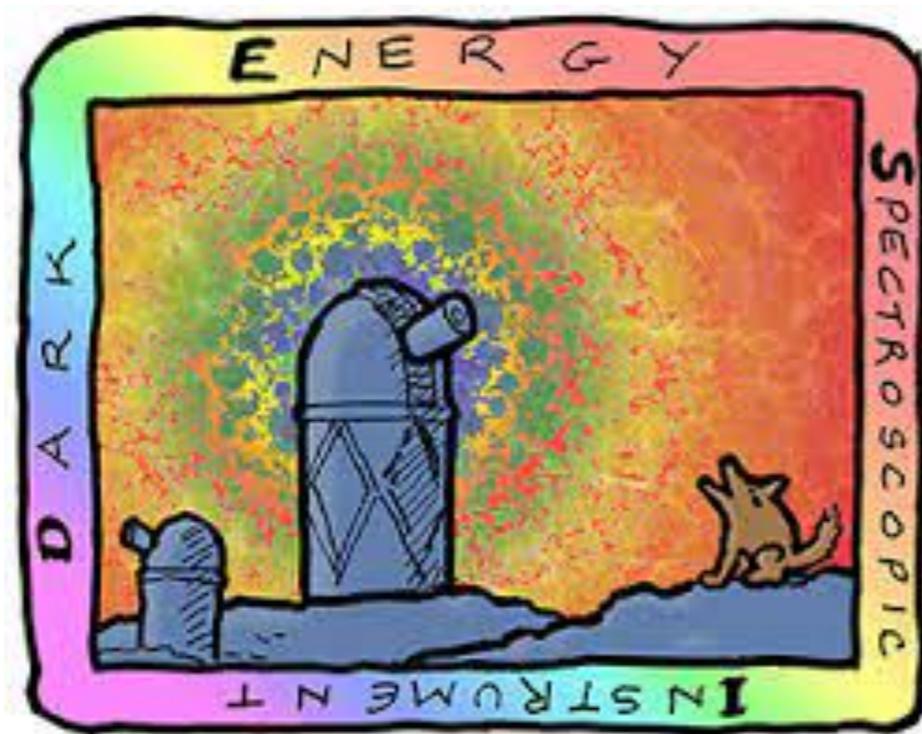
Bounds can however be relaxed in non-standard neutrino cosmologies

These models are exotic, but if we do not detect  $m_\nu$  they may become a reality

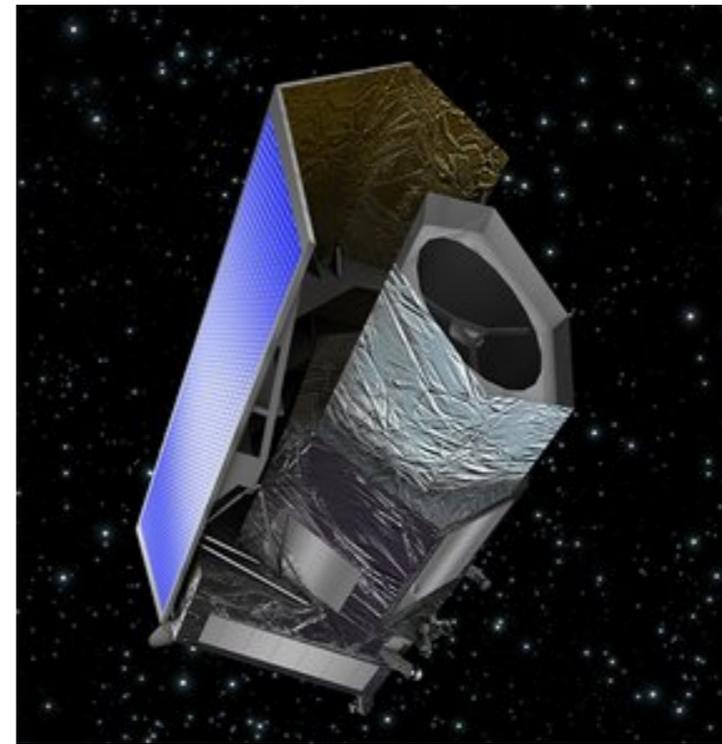
# Outlook I: Neutrino Masses

The next generation of galaxy surveys in combination with CMB data are expected to measure the neutrino mass if the Universe is governed by a  $\Lambda$ CDM cosmology

**DESI** 1611.00036



**EUCLID** 1110.3193

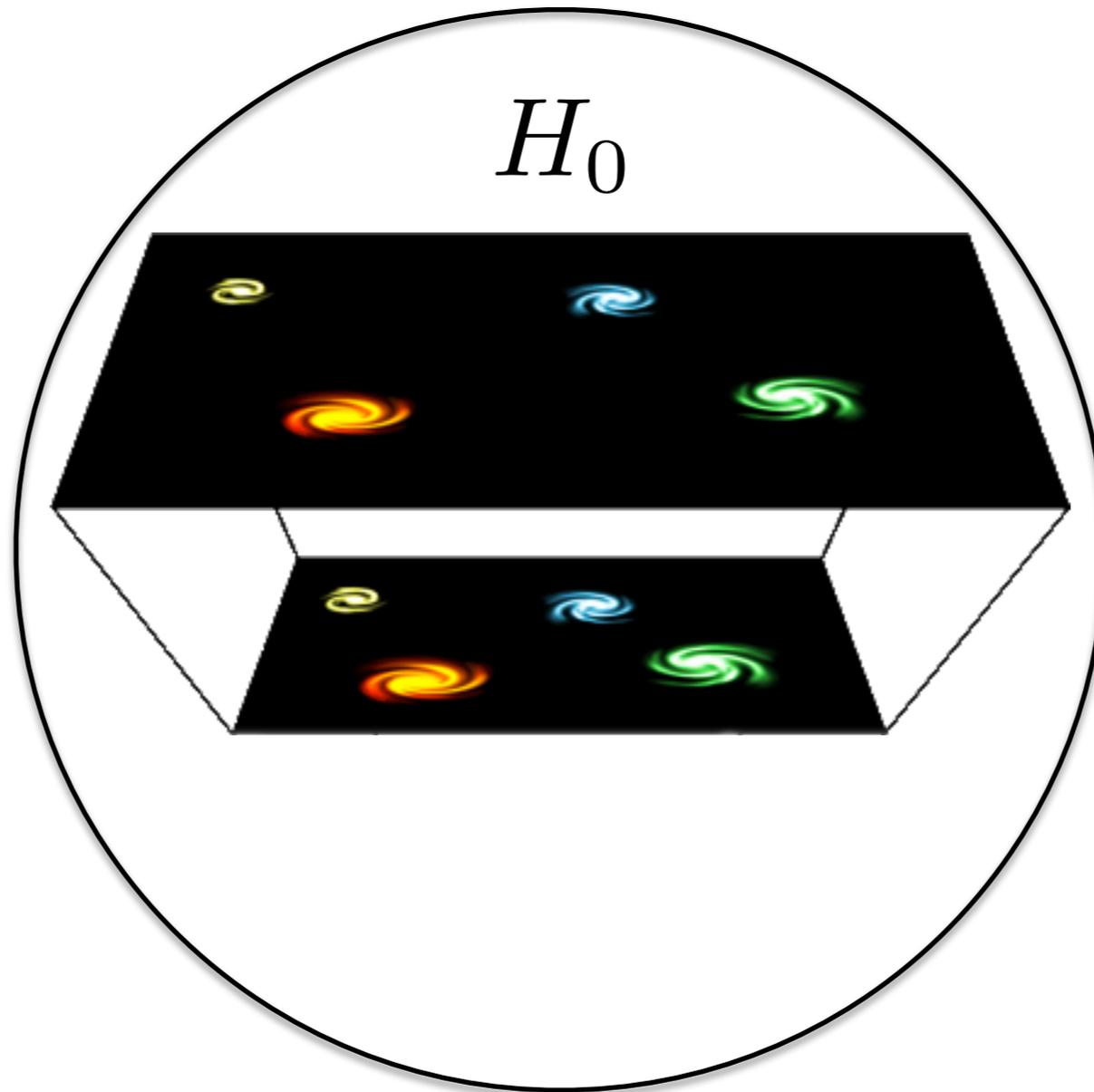


Why? DESI: 30M galaxies and EUCLID: 50M galaxies, but SDSS 1.5M galaxies

We expect the next results from DESI in less than one year! The full power of these data sets will come in the next 4-5 years!  $\sigma(\sum m_\nu) = 0.02 \text{ eV}$

In parallel, the KATRIN experiment is taking data and should reach a sensitivity of  $m_{\bar{\nu}_e} \lesssim 0.2 \text{ eV}$  at 90% CL in  $\sim 3\text{-}4$  years.

# The Hubble Tension



**Riess *et al.* 2112.04510**

$$H_0 = 73.04 \pm 1.04 \text{ km/s/Mpc}$$

**Planck 2018 1807.06209**

$$H_0 = 67.4 \pm 0.5 \text{ km/s/Mpc}$$

**Local Measurements**

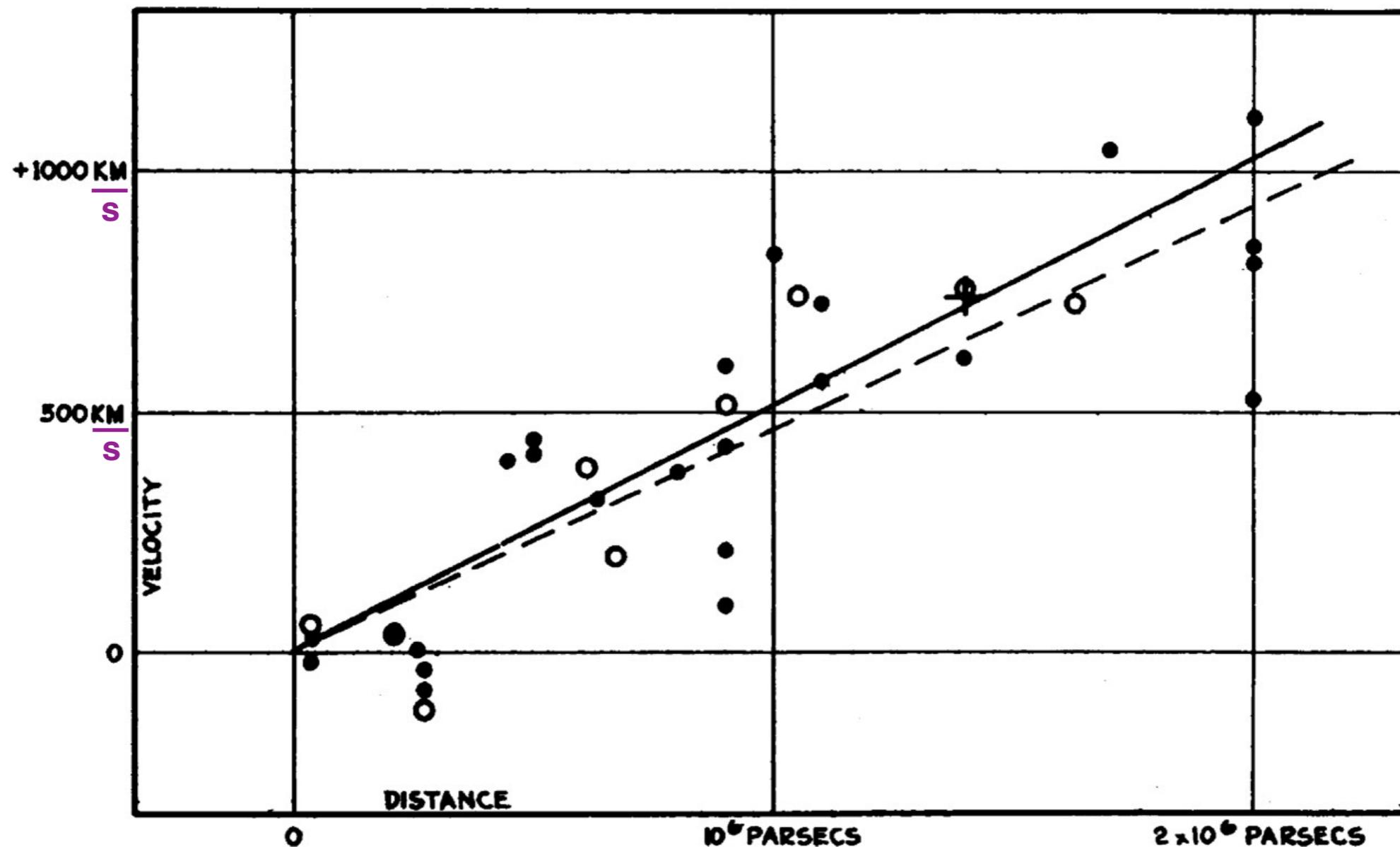
**$\Lambda$ CDM Prediction**

**5 $\sigma$  tension  
within  $\Lambda$ CDM!**

# The Hubble Law

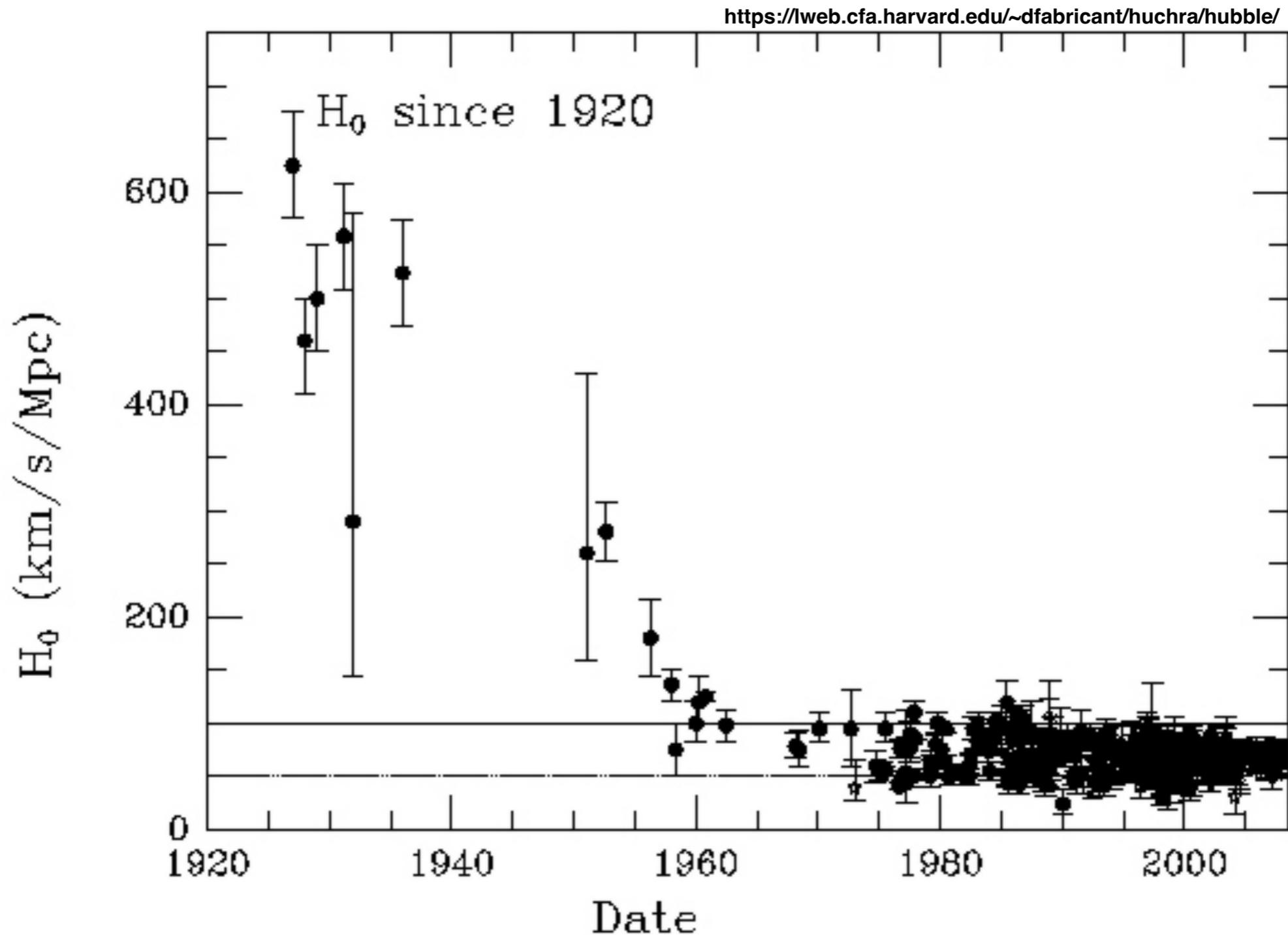
The Universe is expanding!

$$\text{Hubble (1929): } v = H_0 d$$

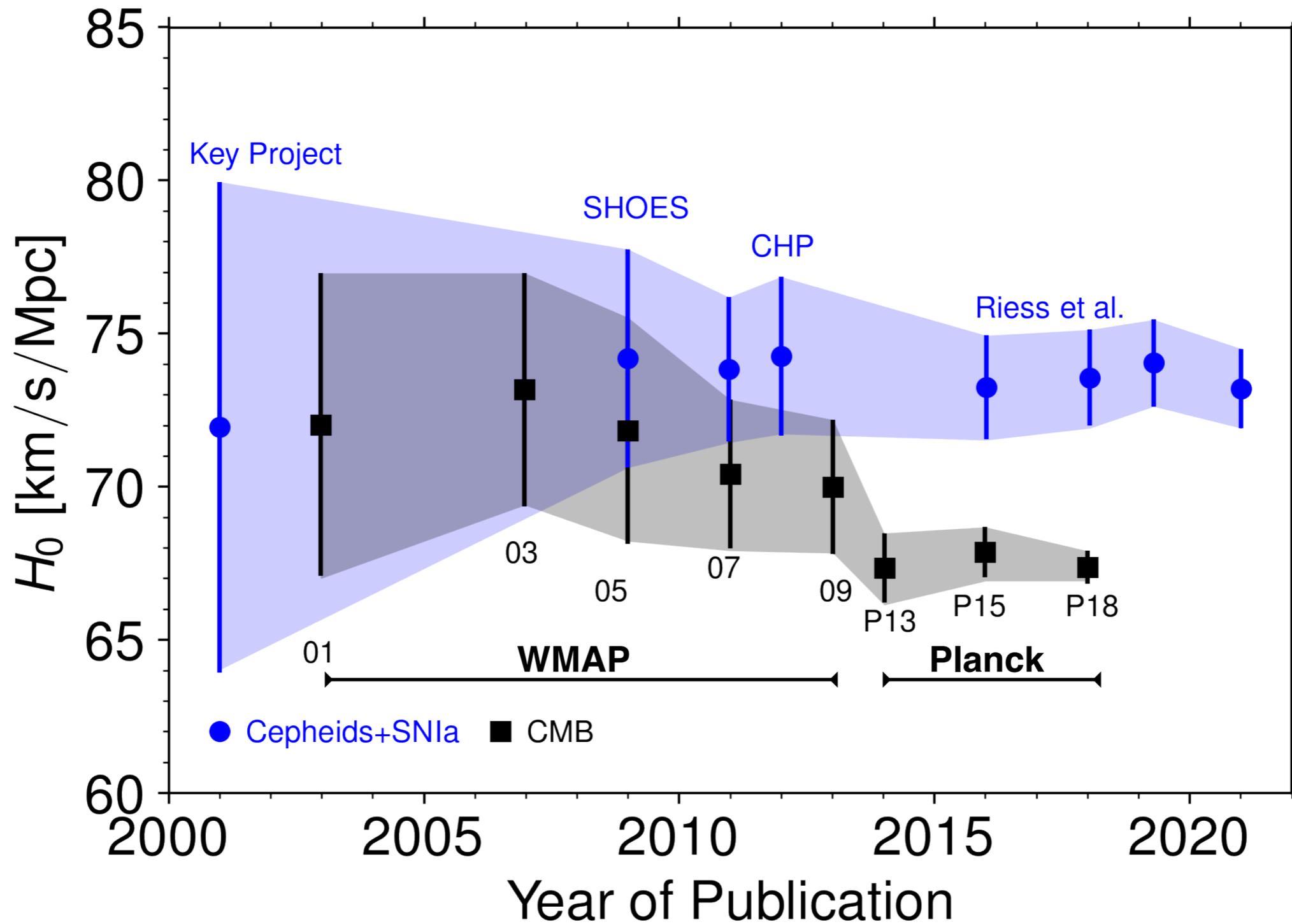


# The Hubble Tension in Perspective

$$\text{Hubble law (1929): } v = H_0 d$$



# The Hubble Tension in Perspective



# The Hubble Tension

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**5 $\sigma$  tension within  $\Lambda$ CDM!**

- **A pattern has clearly emerged:**

- **4-6  $\sigma$  tension depending upon the datasets included**

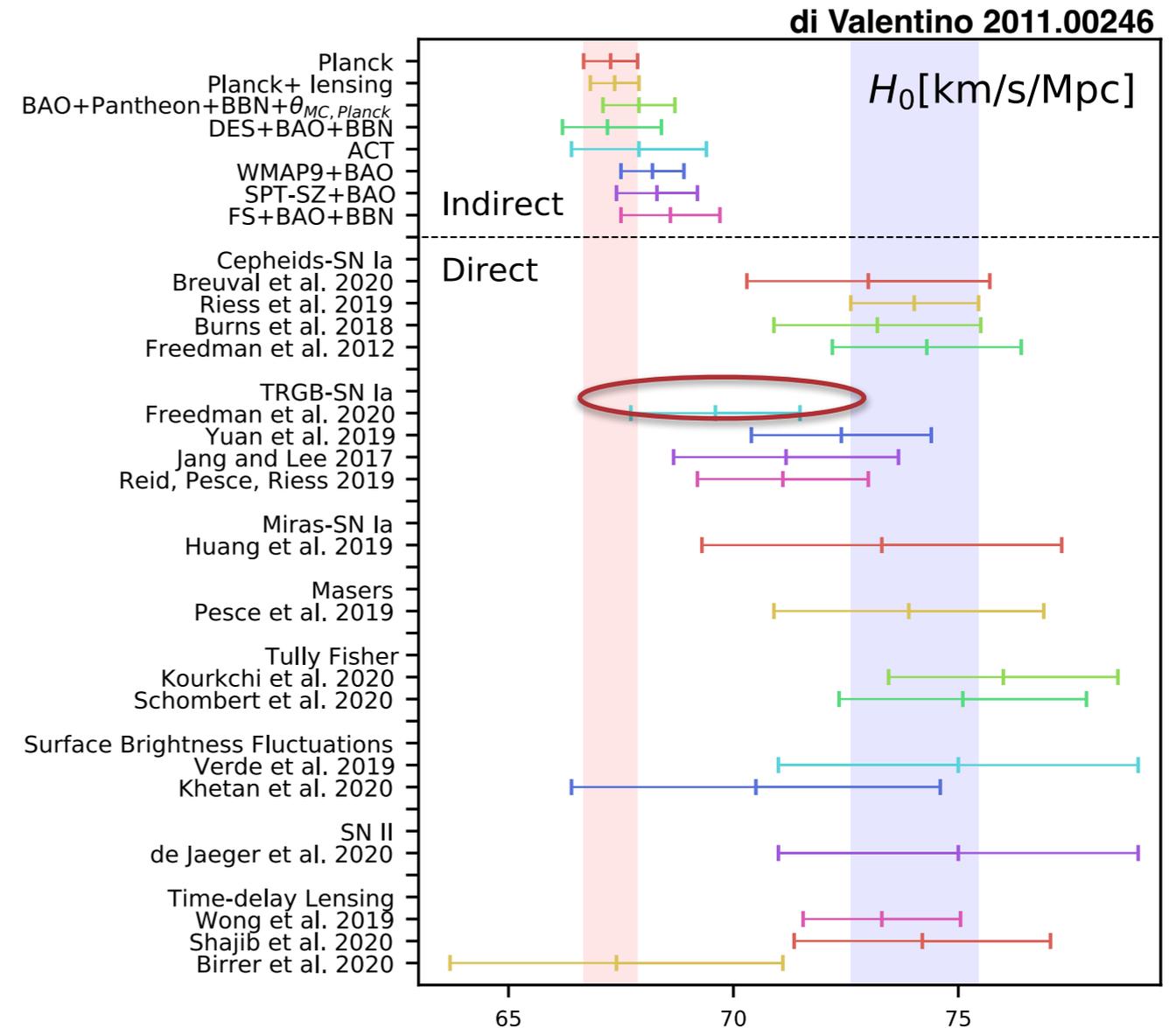
see Verde, Treu & Riess 1907.10625 for a review

- **Baryon Acoustic Oscillations point to small  $H_0$**

- **Cepheids+Type-Ia SN are by far the most precise and they point to  $H_0 \sim (73 \pm 1) \text{ km/s/Mpc}$**

**The results have been recently confirmed by JWST**

- **Some direct measurements do point to smaller values, Freedman et al. 20' and Birrer et al. 20'**



# The Hubble Tension: Theory

- **Possible resolutions:**

1) **Systematics in the CMB data** **very unlikely**

2) **Systematics in local measurements** **none so far**

3) **New feature of  $\Lambda$ CDM**

4) **Drastic change to the cosmological paradigm**

- **Can we be living in a large void?**

This can be tested and data suggests that no: Riess et al. 1901.08681

- **Is the Universe isotropic?**

Some suggest that no: Sarkar et al. 2206.05624. However, these findings appear to be in disagreement with other studies, see Trota et al. 2108.12497. In addition, it seems somewhat complicated to arrange theoretically explain it in light of CMB data, see 2207.01569 by Sarkar et al.

- **Possibilities beyond  $\Lambda$ CDM:** See 2103.01183 by di Valentino et al. for a review (over 1000 references ...)

1) **Late Universe Modifications** **very unlikely**

2) **Early Universe Modifications** **hard but doable**

# The Hubble Tension: Theory

- Latest results highlight that a combination of the two would be needed:

1) Late Universe Modifications

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Poulin et al. 2407.18292

2) Early Universe Modifications

Pedrotti et al. 2408.04530

**Theoretically this is not very appealing**

**Phenomenologically this could work because SN and BAO are then unrelated**

# Neff as a solution to the $H_0$ Tension?

- How large would  $\Delta N_{\text{eff}}$  need to be to solve the tension?

$$H_0 \simeq [67.4 + 6.2 \Delta N_{\text{eff}}] \text{ km/s/Mpc}$$

Vagnozzi 1907.07569

- 😊  $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \simeq 1$  would yield the value of  $H_0$  reported by Riess

- 😐 **Problem 1) BBN constraints indicate that:**  $\Delta N_{\text{eff}}^{\text{BBN}} < 0.5$  Pisanti et al. 2011.11537

- Constraints are dominated by Helium measurements (that could suffer from systematics)
- In many models  $\Delta N_{\text{eff}}^{\text{CMB}} \neq \Delta N_{\text{eff}}^{\text{BBN}}$

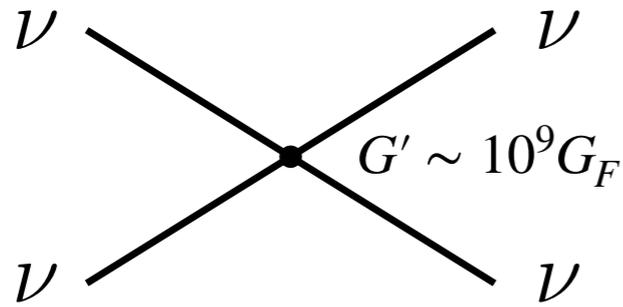
- 😞 **Problem 2) Within the framework of  $\Lambda$ CDM Planck is compatible with  $N_{\text{eff}} \simeq 3$**

$$N_{\text{eff}}^{\text{CMB+BAO}} = 2.99 \pm 0.17 \quad \text{Planck 2018}$$

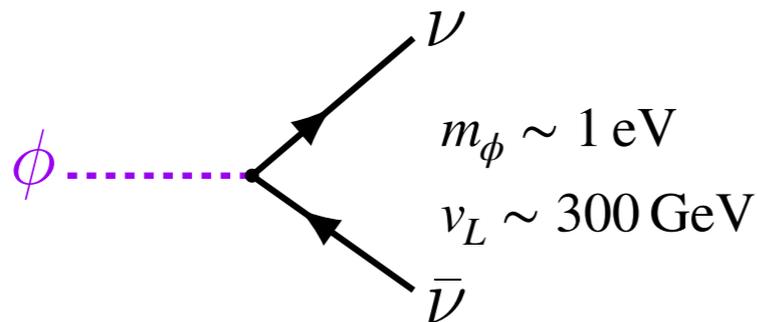
# Neutrinos and the Hubble Tension

- **Dark Radiation**

- **Strong Neutrino Scattering + Dark Radiation** Kreisch, Cyr-Racine, Doré 1902.00543



- **Light Neutrinophilic Scalar + Dark Radiation** Escudero & Witte 1909.04044



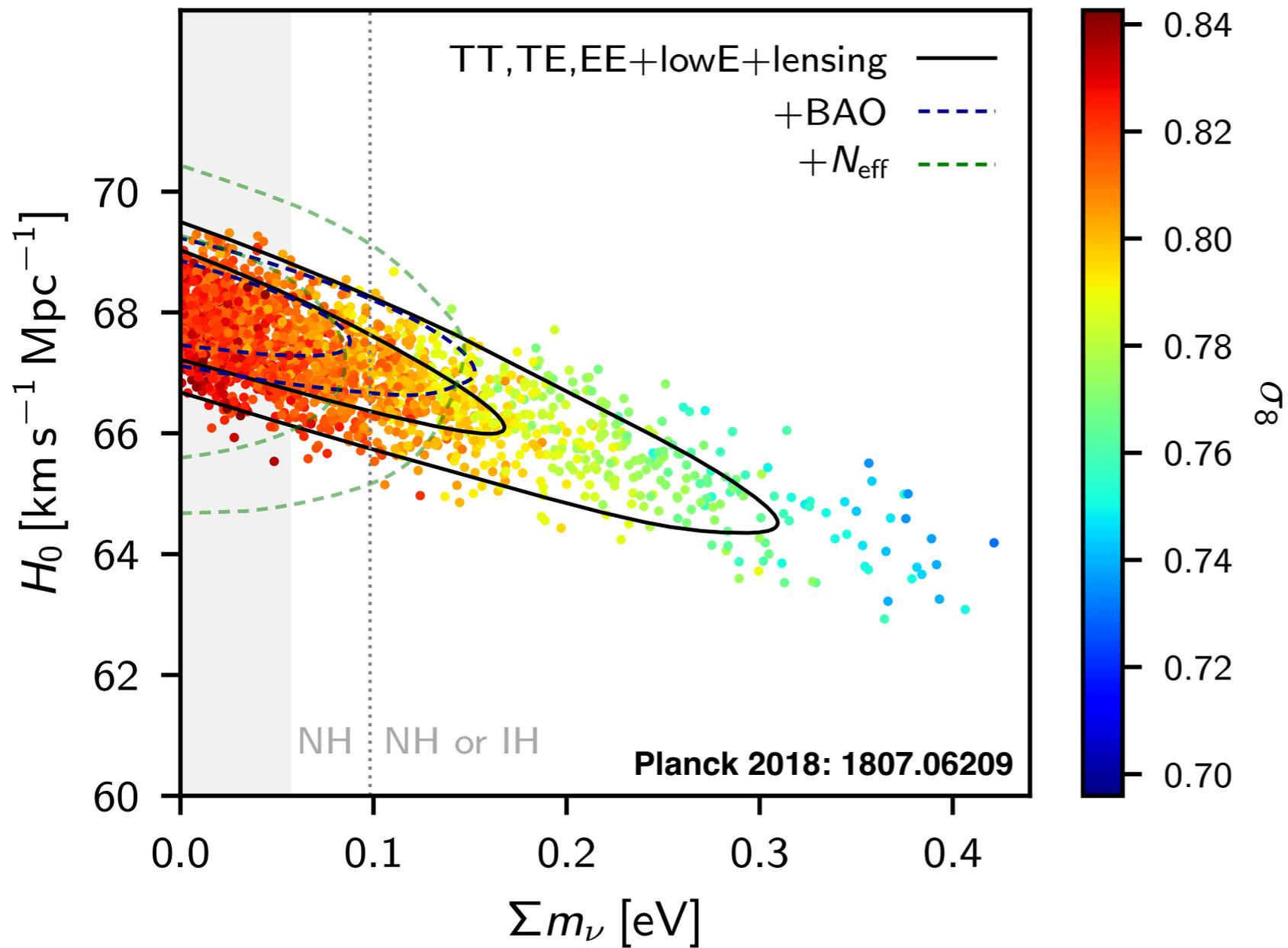
- **Early Dark Energy sourced by neutrinos** Sakstein & Trodden 1911.11760

- **Dark Matter-Neutrino Interactions** Ghosh, Khatri & Roy 1908.09843

- **An eV-scale Sterile Neutrino interacting with a pseudoscalar**

**None of these models can substantially resolve the H0 tension**

# Implications for neutrinos

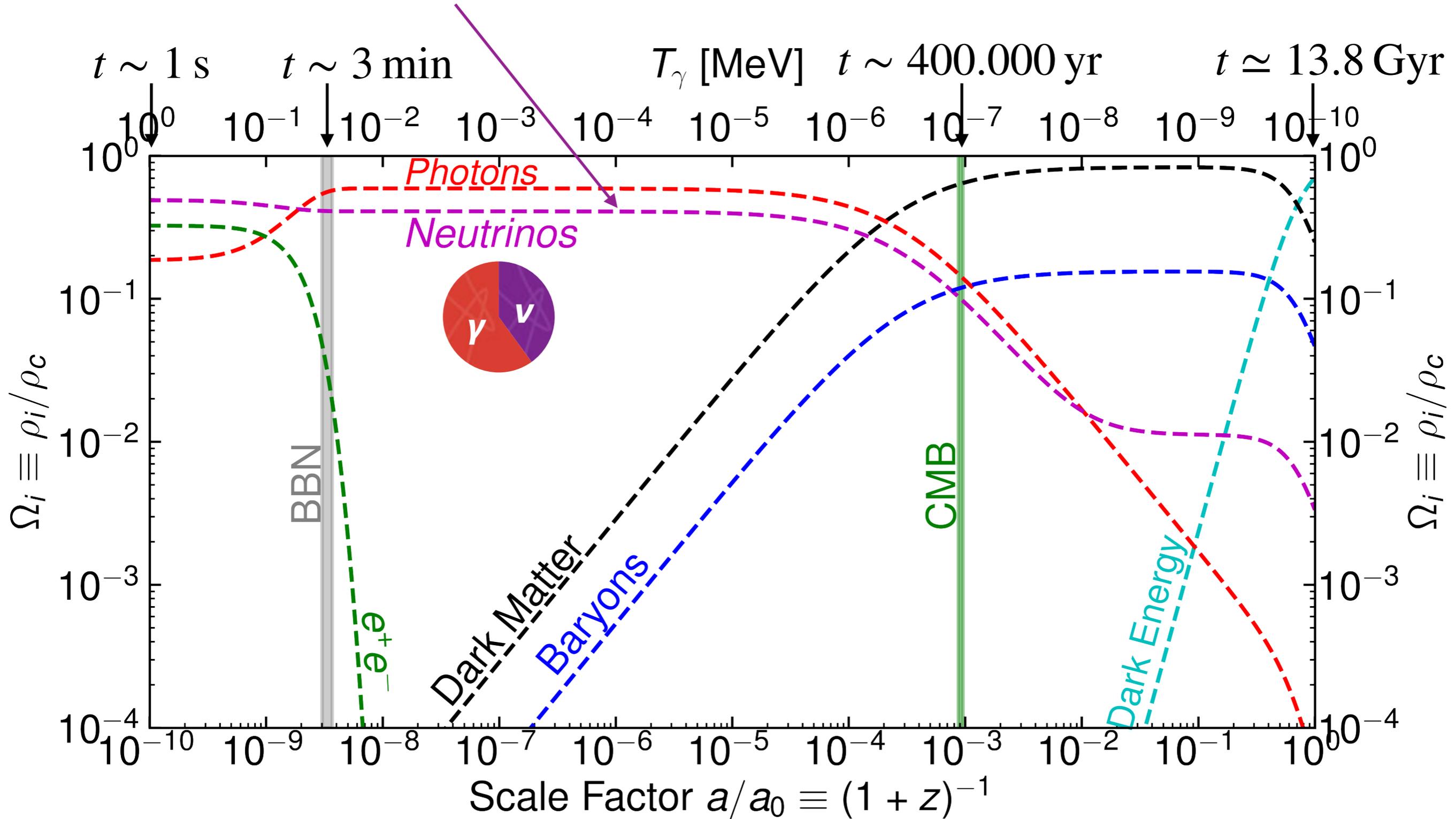


**1) Will alter our inferences about neutrinos**

**2) If true, can neutrinos or particles related to them be at its origin?**

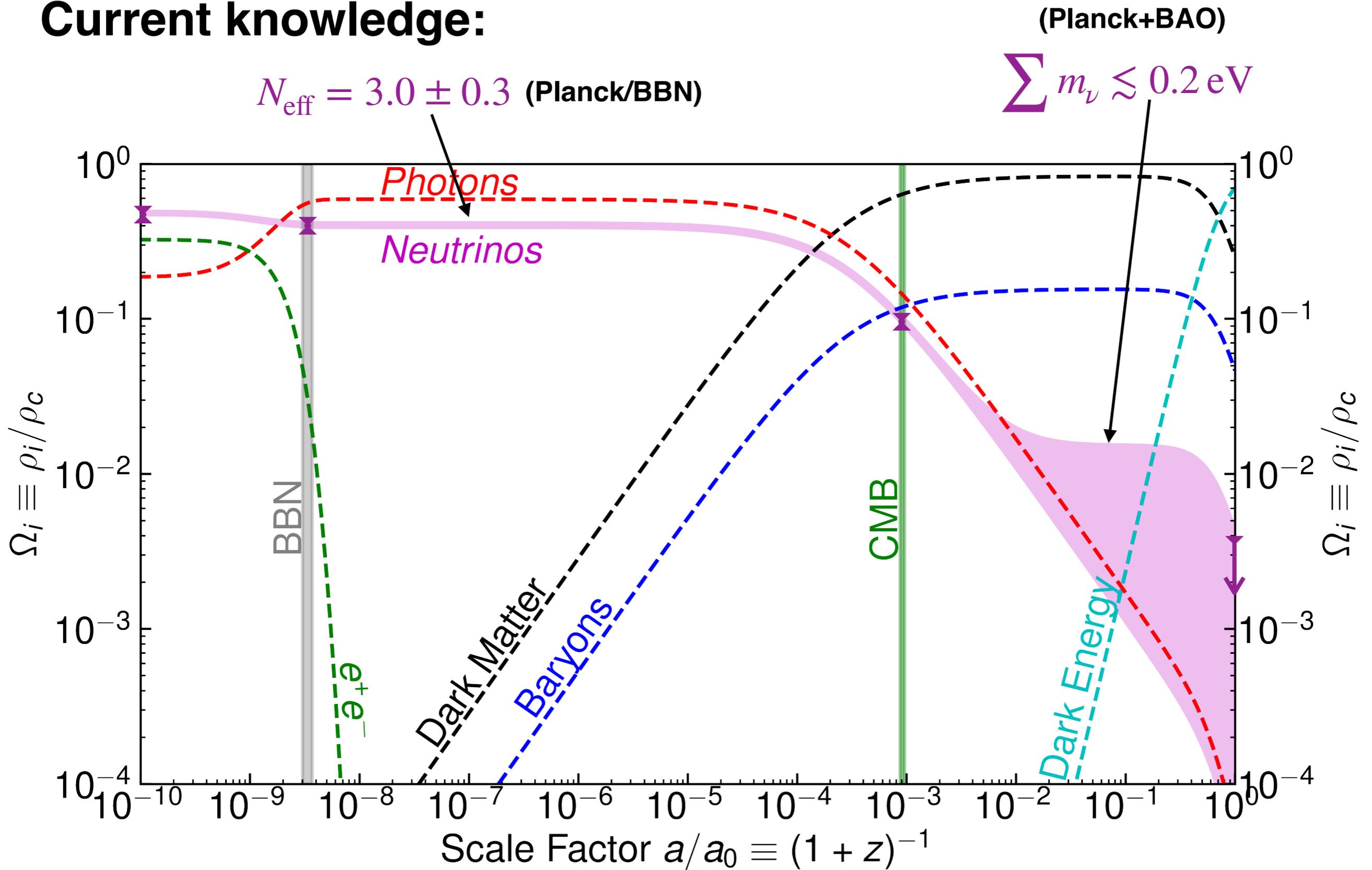
# Neutrino Evolution

Neutrinos are always a relevant species in the Universe's evolution



# Global Perspective

## Current knowledge:



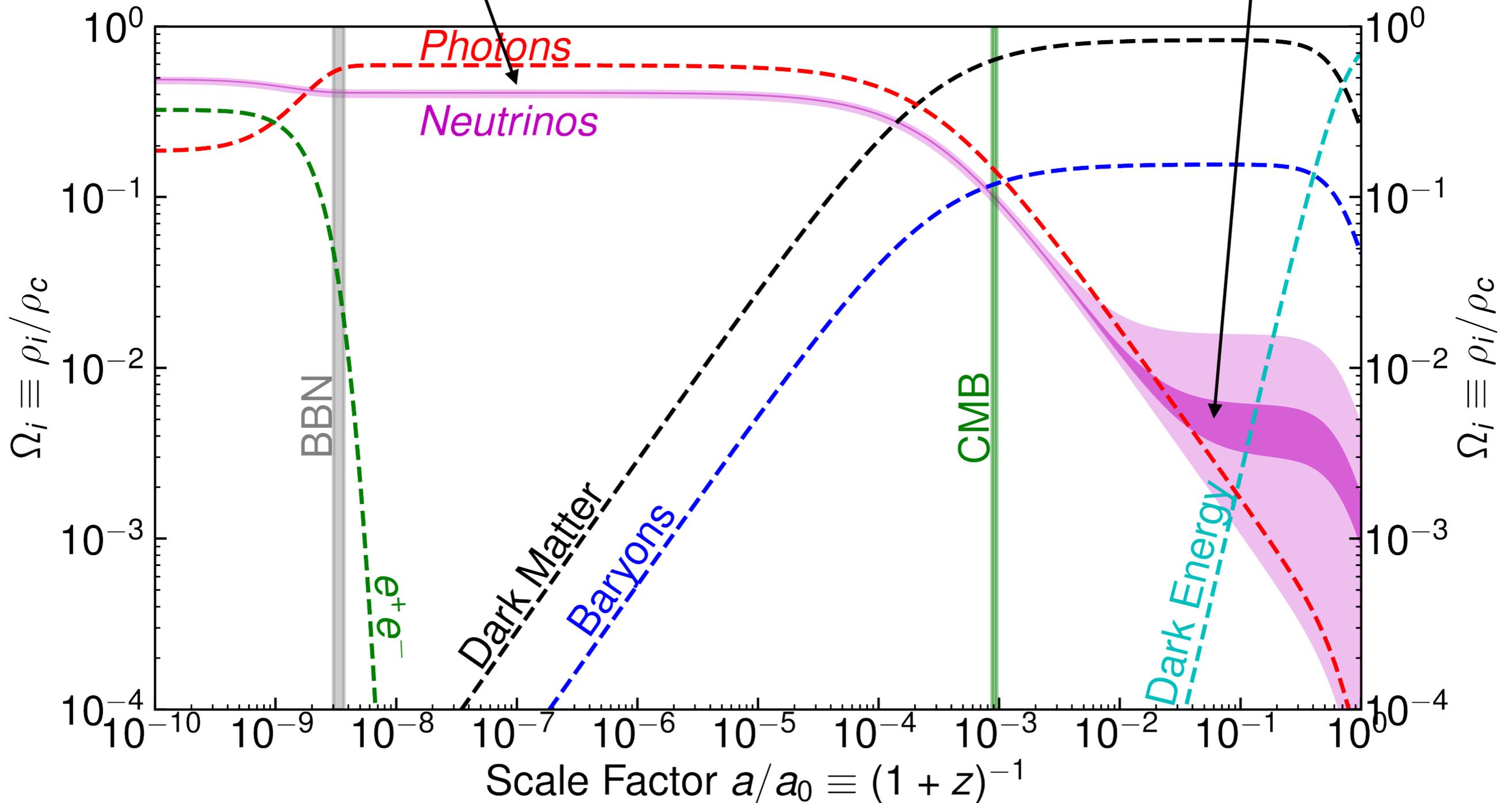
# Global Perspective

In the next 5-6 years:

(DESI/Euclid + Planck)

$$N_{\text{eff}} = 3.043 \pm 0.06 \text{ (Simons Observatory)}$$

$$\sum m_\nu = 0.06 \pm 0.02 \text{ eV}$$



# Global Perspective

**I think we are living exciting times in Cosmology**

**In particular in Neutrino Cosmology:**

**We expect to detect the neutrino mass in 5-6 years!**

**If that were not to happen, then we need to reconsider the standard cosmological model**

**At the same time, in the background, there is the Hubble tension. Despite strong efforts both theoretically and observationally it is still an open issue. It can affect our inferences of neutrino properties.**

# End of Lecture II



**Thank you for your attention!**

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