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# Implications of DESI BAO measurements

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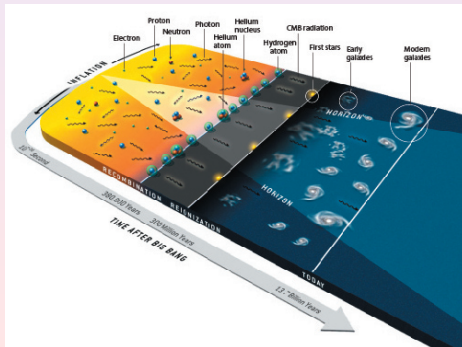
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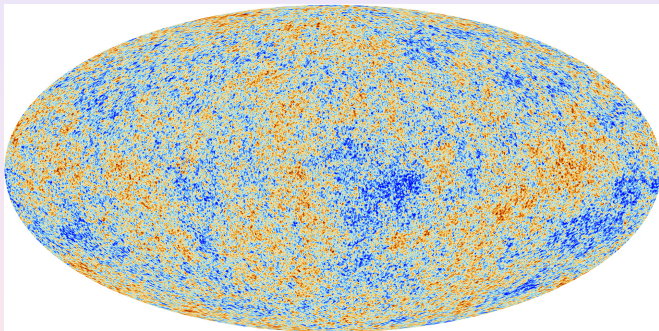


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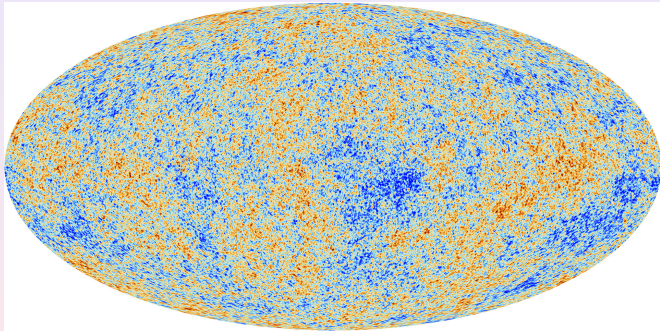


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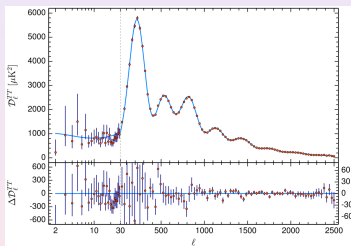
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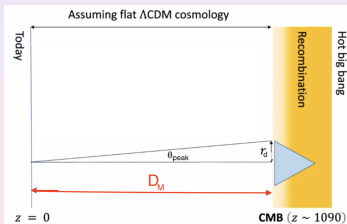
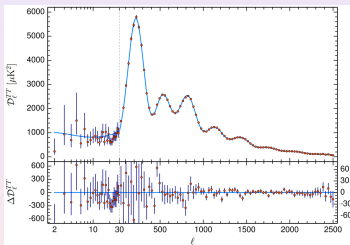




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 $(D_M(z) \equiv \int_0^z \frac{dz'}{H(z')})$  “transverse distance” from observer to decoupling)

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# Sound horizon in matter distribution

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- Same sound horizon scale  $r_d$  **imprinted also in the galaxy distribution** at late times
- **“Standard ruler”** visible also **in galaxy correlations**
- Baryon Acoustic Oscillations (**BAO**)

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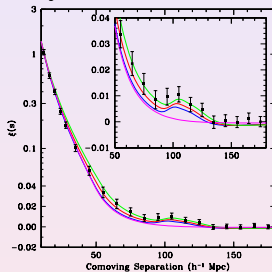
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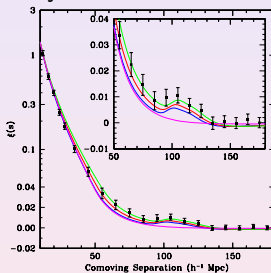
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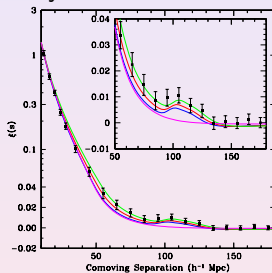
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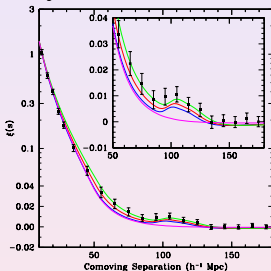
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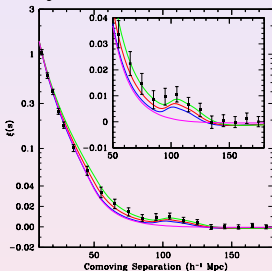
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- Given a cosmological model  $\implies r_d$   
 $\implies$  BAO+CMB measure Distance  $D_M$  vs Redshift ( $z$ )
- Constrains  $H(z)$

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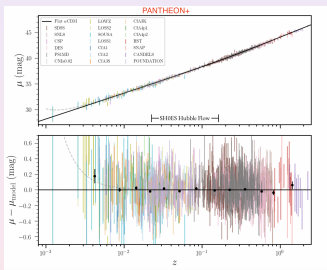
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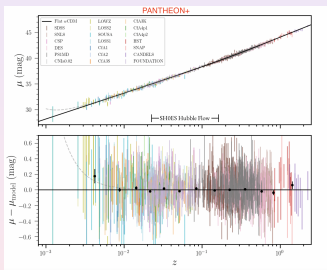
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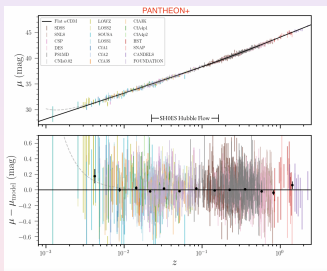
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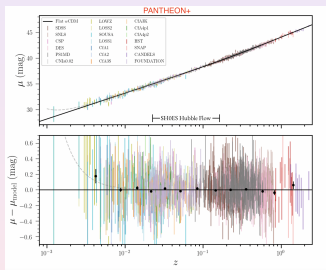
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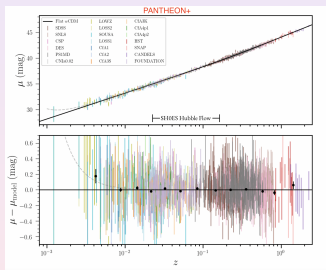
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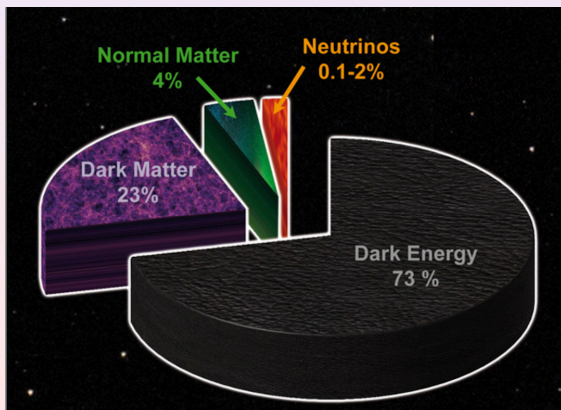
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With respect to **previous BAO** measurements  
(6dFGS, BOSS, eBOSS, SDSS, WiggleZ)

- 40 million target galaxies and quasars (vs.  $\sim 3 - 4$  million)
- Aim to increase precision on distance  $5 - 10\times$
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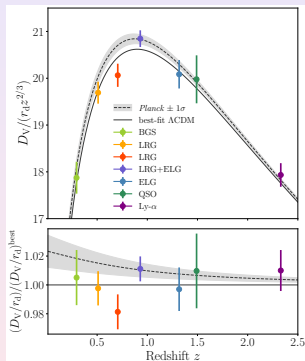
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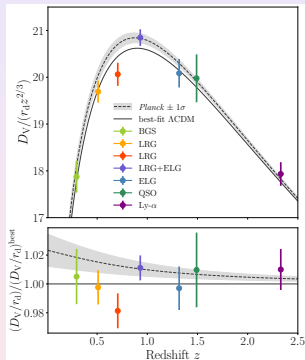
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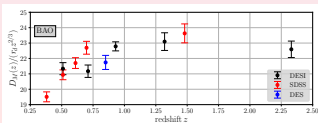
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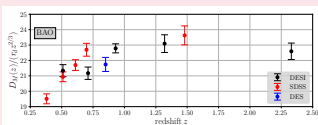
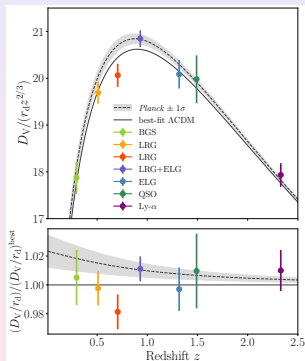
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Abbott et al. PRD 2024

(from DESI, Adame et al 24)

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- New physics at Early Time: Dark Radiation (Allali, AN, Rompineve arXiv:2404.15220)

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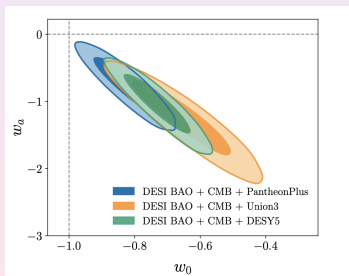
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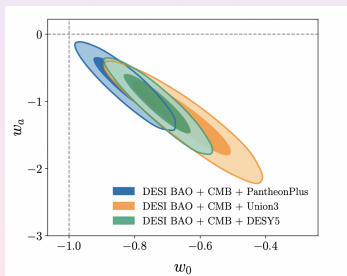
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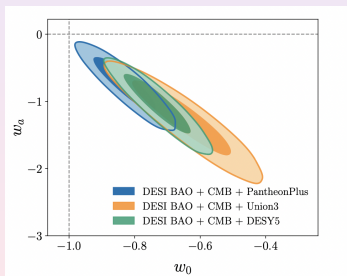
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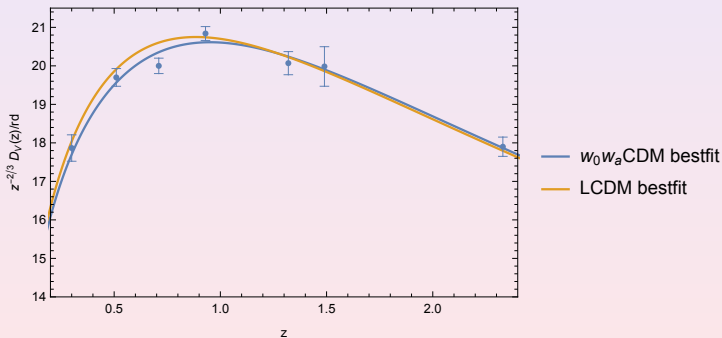
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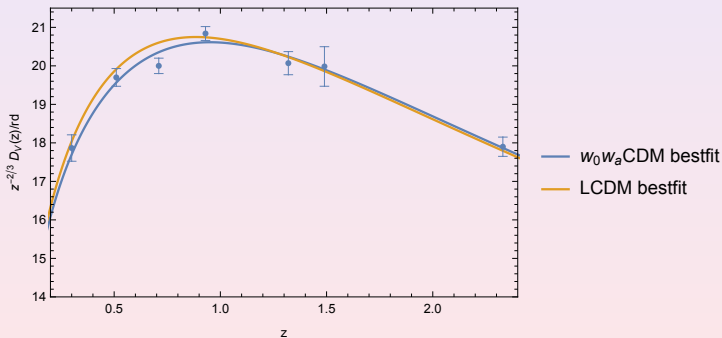
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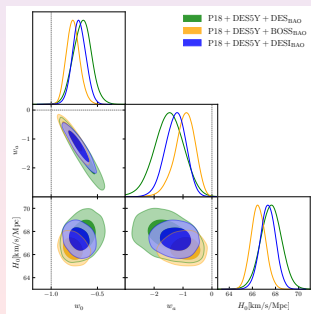
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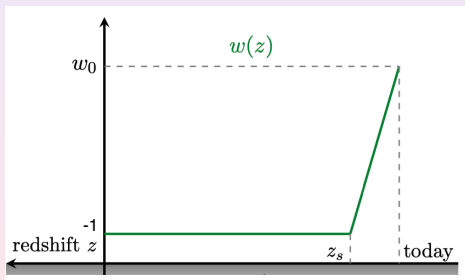


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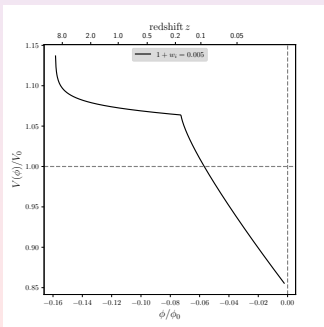


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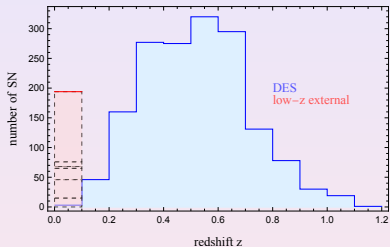
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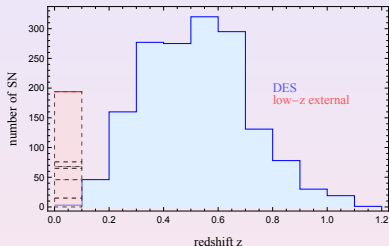


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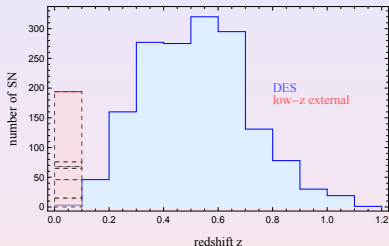


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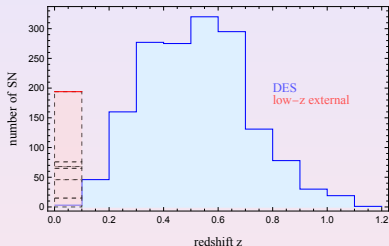
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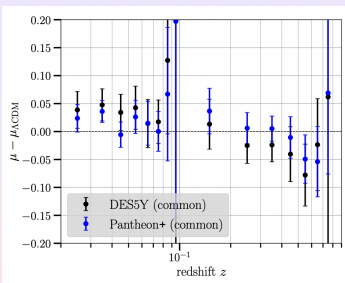
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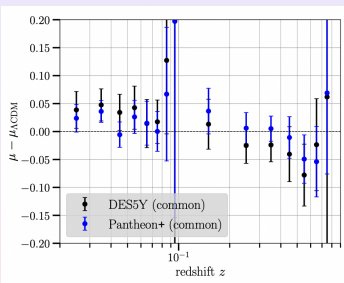
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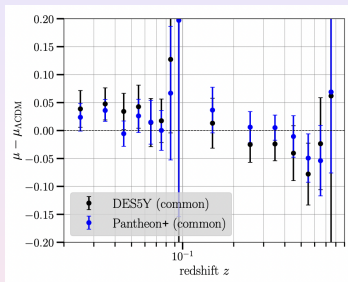
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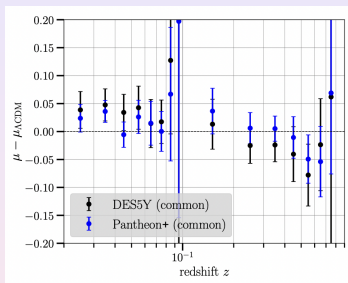
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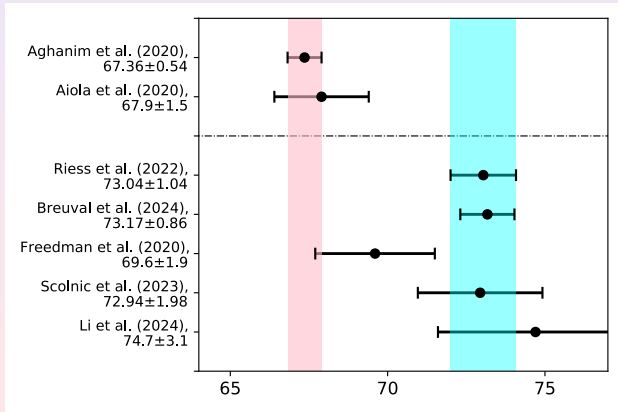
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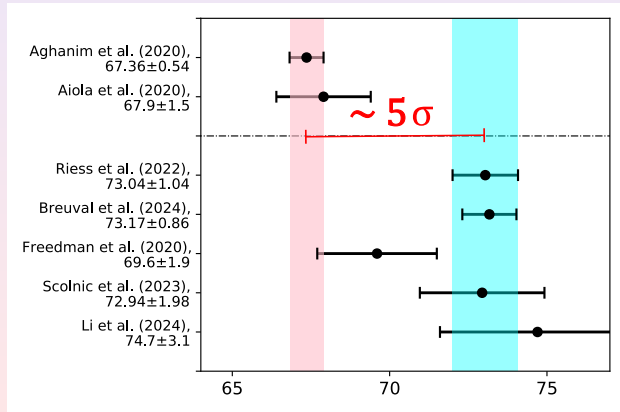


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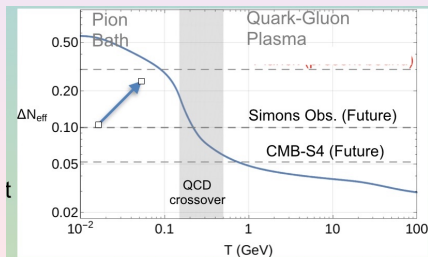
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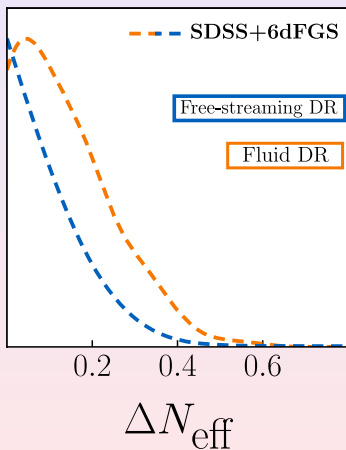
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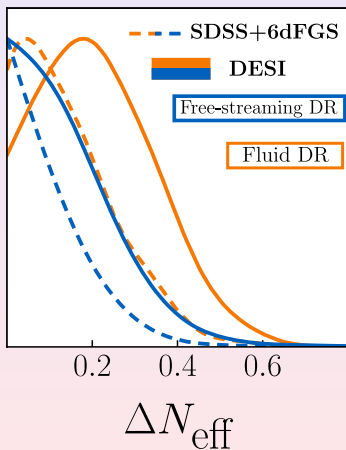
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# Light Element Abundance Constraints (BBN)

Primordial element abundances are sensitive to the amount of radiation present during Big Bang Nucleosynthesis (BBN)

→ Constraints on  $\Delta N_{\text{eff}}$  with and without these data\*  
(Aver et al 15, Cooke et al 18, Marcucci et al 16)

	Planck+DESI+Pantheon+	+ $Y_{\text{He,D/H}}$
Free-streaming	$< 0.386$	$< 0.295$
Fluid	$0.221^{+0.088}_{-0.18} (< 0.461)$	$< 0.365$

(Allali + AN + Rompineve 24)

\*Constraints sensitive to the choice of data for, e.g. the  $Y_{\text{He}}$  measurement (e.g. Aver et al 15 vs. Izotov et al 14)

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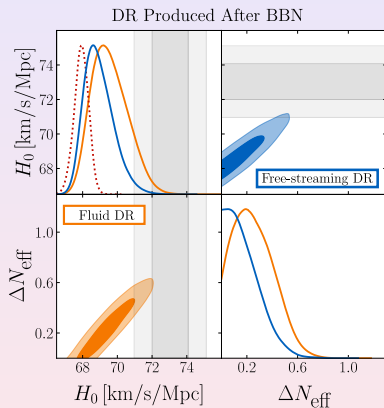
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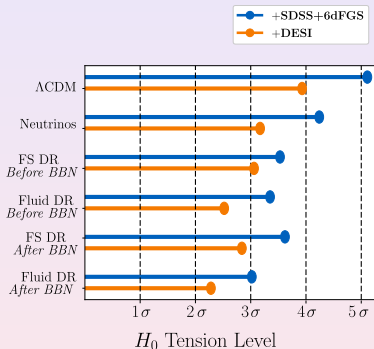
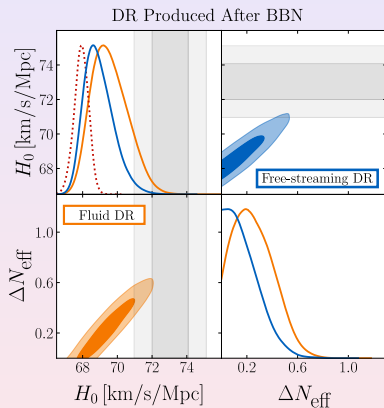
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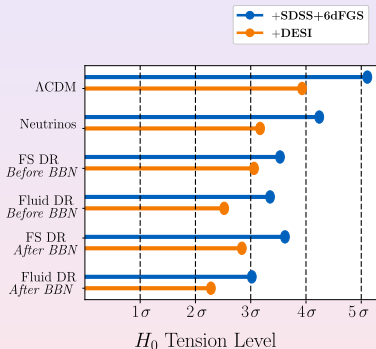
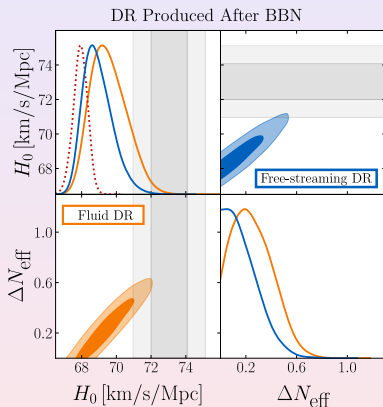


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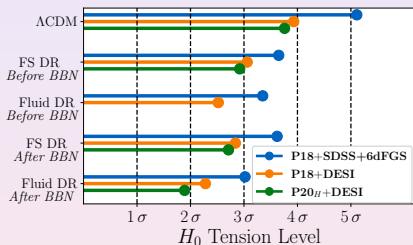


Lowest tension when DR is fluid, and when produced after BBN  
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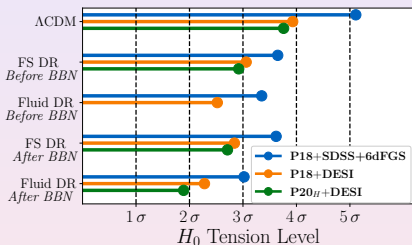
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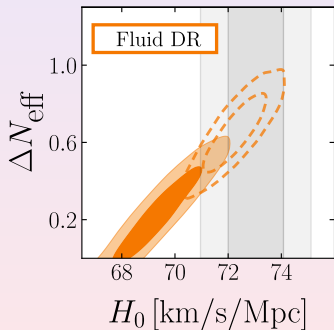
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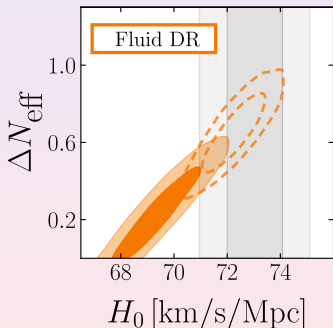
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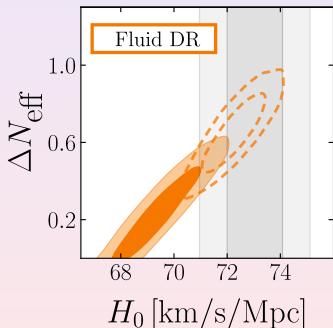
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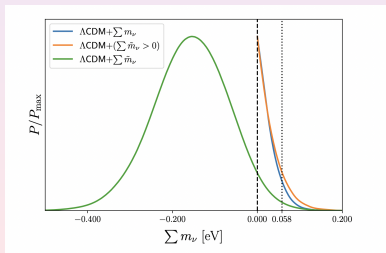
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(N. Craig, D. Green, J. Meyers and S. Rajendran, arXiv:2405.00836.)

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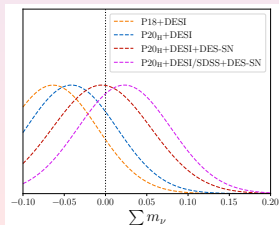
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