



Survey with WFIRST-AFTA

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WFIRST-AFTA Science Definition Team Interim Report (April 30, 2014)

David Spergel, What is WFIRST-AFTA (Nov. 20, 2014)

Josh Frieman, Dark Energy and WFIRST-AFTA

The Wide-Field Infrared Survey Telescope (WFIRST)

A NASA mission responding to the 2010 National Research Council [New Worlds, New Horizons \(NWNH\) Astronomy and Astrophysics Decadal Survey](#) top priority recommendation in the large space mission category.

WFIRST includes science objectives in exoplanet exploration, dark energy research and Galactic and Extragalactic surveys.

WFIRST is a combination of three proposed telescopes: the [Microlensing Planet Finder \(MPF\)](#), the [Joint Dark Energy Mission/Omega \(JDEM-Omega\)](#) and the [Near-Infrared Sky Surveyor \(NIRSS\)](#).

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WFIRST-AFTA Observatory & Instruments

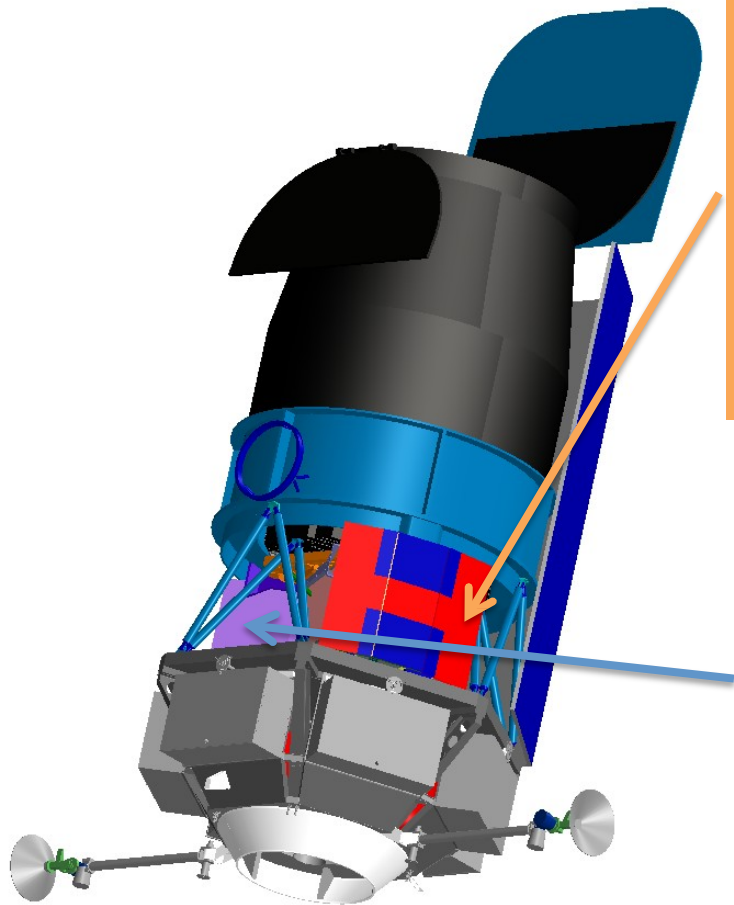
- **Telescope** – Two, 2.4 m, two-mirror telescopes provided to NASA.

Wide-Field Instrument

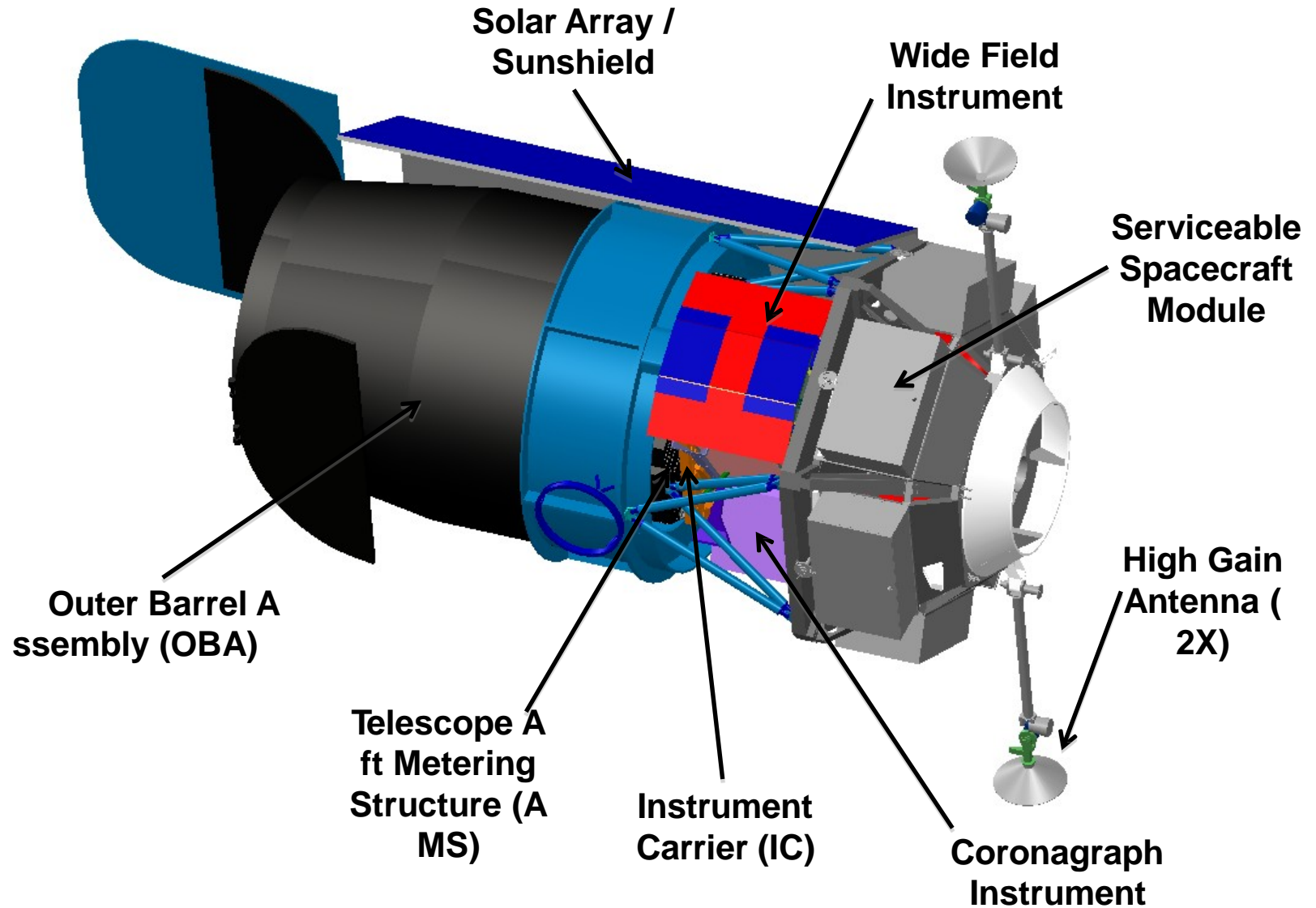
- *Imaging & spectroscopy over 1000s of sq. deg.*
- *Monitoring of SN and microlensing fields*
- 0.7 – 2.0 micron bandpass
- 0.28 deg² FoV (100x JWST FoV)
- 18 4kx4k H4RG HgCdTe detectors
- 6 filter imaging, grism + IFU spectroscopy

Coronagraph

- *Imaging of ice & gas giant exoplanets*
- *Imaging of debris disks*
- 400 – 1000 nm bandpass
- $d10^{-9}$ contrast (after post-processing)
- 100 milliarcsec inner working angle at 400 nm



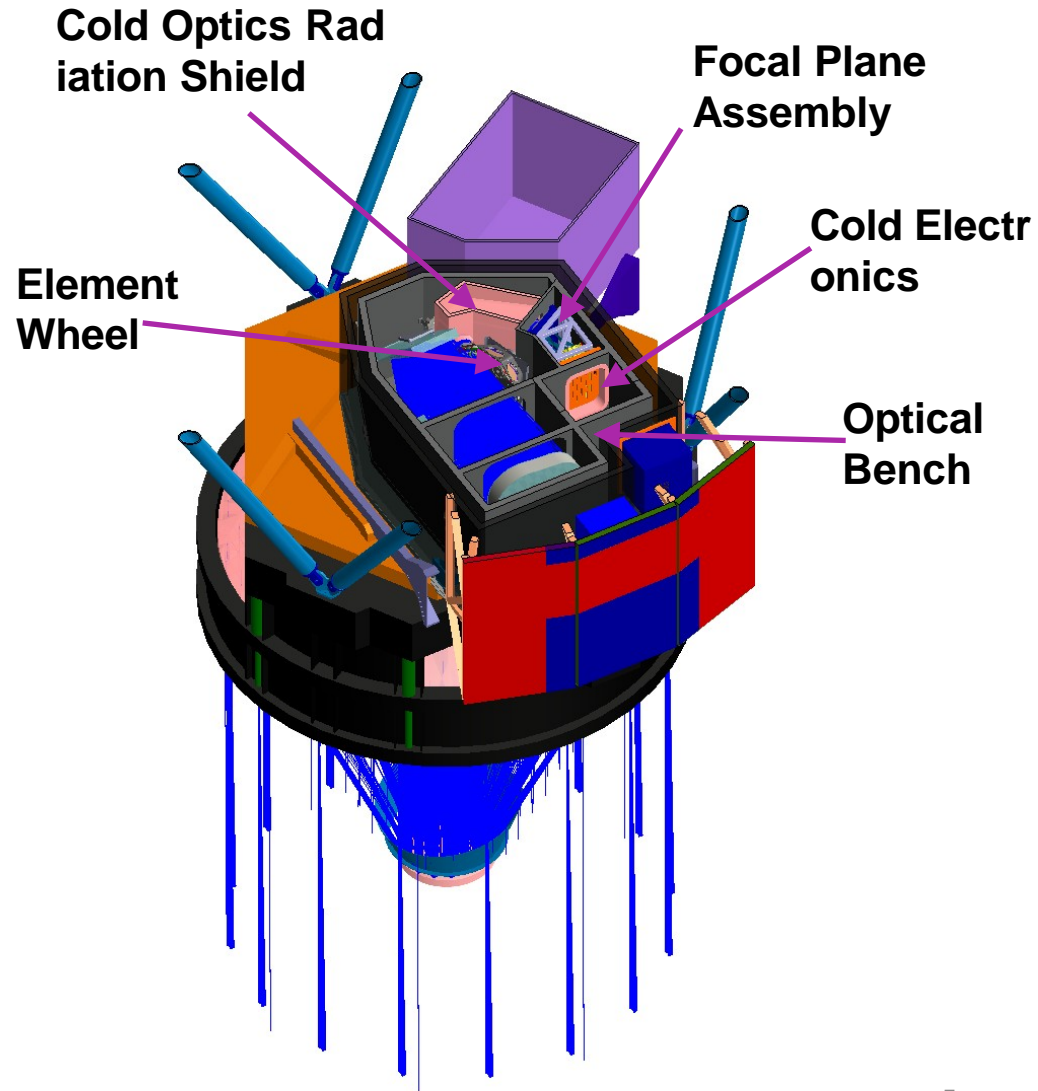
WFIRST-AFTA Observatory Layout



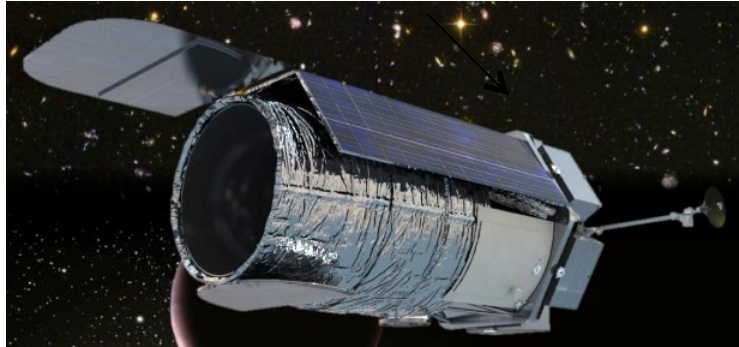
Wide Field Instrument

Key Features

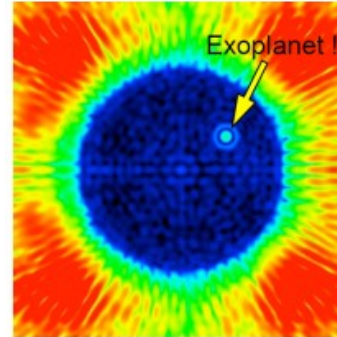
- Single wide field channel in instrument for both imaging and spectroscopy
 - 3 mirrors, 1 powered
 - 18 4K x 4K HgCdTe detectors cover 0.76 - 2.0 μm
 - 0.11 arc-sec plate scale
 - Grism used for GRS survey covers 1.35 – 1.95 μm with R between 645 - 900
- IFU channel for SNe spectra, single HgCdTe detector covers 0.6 – 2.0 μm with R~75
- Single element wheel for filters and grism



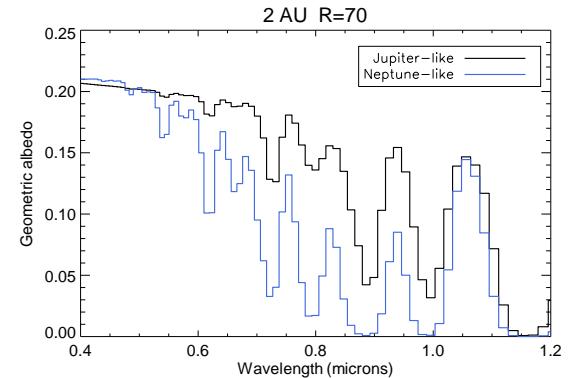
WFIRST-AFTA Coronagraph Capability



Coronagraph Architecture: Primary
: Occulting Mask (OMC) Backup:
Phase Induced Amplitude
Apodization (PIAA)



Exoplanet
Direct Imaging



Exoplanet
Spectroscopy

Bandpass	400 – 1000 nm	Measured sequentially in five ~10% bands
Inner working angle	100 – 250 mas	$\sim 3\lambda/D$
Outer working angle	0.75 – 1.8 arcsec	By 48x48 DM
Detection Limit	Contrast $\leq 10^{-9}$ (after post processing)	Cold Jupiters, Neptunes, and icy planets down to ~ 2 RE
Spectral Resolution	~ 70	With IFS, $R \sim 70$ across 600 – 980 nm
Spatial Sampling	17 mas	Nyquist for $\lambda \sim 430$ nm

WFIRST-AFTA vs Hubble

WFIRST-AFTA Deep Field
>1,000,000 galaxies in each image



Hubble Ultra Deep Field - IR
~5,000 galaxies in one image

WFIRST-AFTA Design Reference Mission Capabilities from the 2013 SDT Report

WFIRST-2.4 Design Reference Mission Capabilities

Imaging Capability	0.281 deg ²		0.11 arcsec/pix		0.6 – 2.0 μm	
Filters	Z087	Y106	J129	H158	F184	W149
Wavelength (μm)	0.760-0.977	0.927-1.192	1.131-1.454	1.380-1.774	1.683-2.000	0.927-2.000
PSF EE50 (arcsec)	0.11	0.12	0.12	0.14	0.14	0.13
Spectroscopic Capability	Grism (0.281 deg ²)			IFU (3.00 x 3.15 arcsec)		
	1.35 – 1.95 μm, R = 550-800			0.6 – 2.0 μm, R = ~100		

Baseline Survey Characteristics

Survey	Bandpass	Area (deg ²)	Depth	Duration	Cadence
Exoplanet Microlensing	Z, W	2.81	n/a	6 x 72 days	W: 15 min Z: 12 hrs
HLS Imaging	Y, J, H, F184	2000	Y = 26.7, J = 26.9 H = 26.7, F184 = 26.2	1.3 years	n/a
HLS Spectroscopy	1.35 – 1.95 μm	2000	0.5x10 ⁻¹⁶ erg/s/cm ² @ 1.65 μm	0.6 years	n/a
SN Survey				0.5 years (in a 2-yr interval)	5 days
Wide	Y, J	27.44	Y = 27.1, J = 27.5		
Medium	J, H	8.96	J = 27.6, H = 28.1		
Deep	F184	5.04	F184 = 28.2		

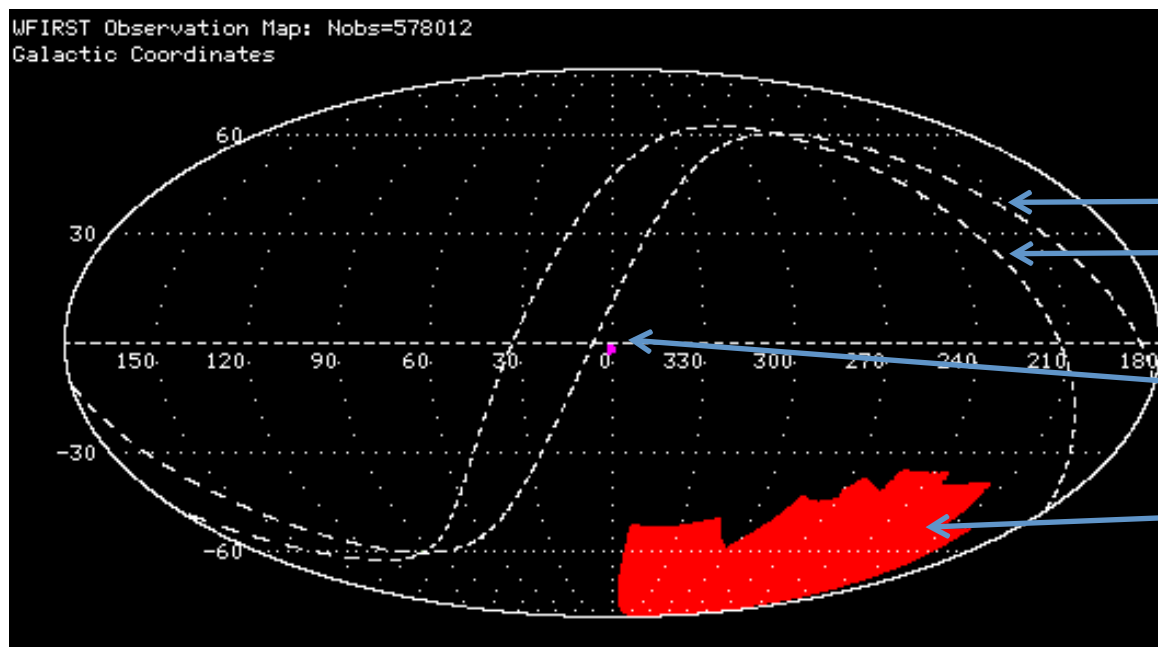
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IFU Spec	7 exposures with S/N=3/pix, 1 near peak with S/N=10/pix, 1 post-SN reference with S/N=6/pix Parallel imaging during deep tier IFU spectroscopy: Z, Y, J, H ~29.5, F184 ~29.0				

Guest Observer Capabilities					
1.4 years of the 5 year prime mission					

Example Observing Schedule (not final)

- Unallocated time is 1.43 years (includes GO program)
- High latitude survey (HLS: imaging + spectroscopy): ~2 years
 - **2401 deg²** @ e3 exposures in all filters (2440 deg² bounding box)
- 6 microlensing seasons (~1 years, after lunar cutouts)
- SN survey in ~0.6 years, field embedded in HLS footprint
- 1 year for the coronagraph, interspersed throughout the mission



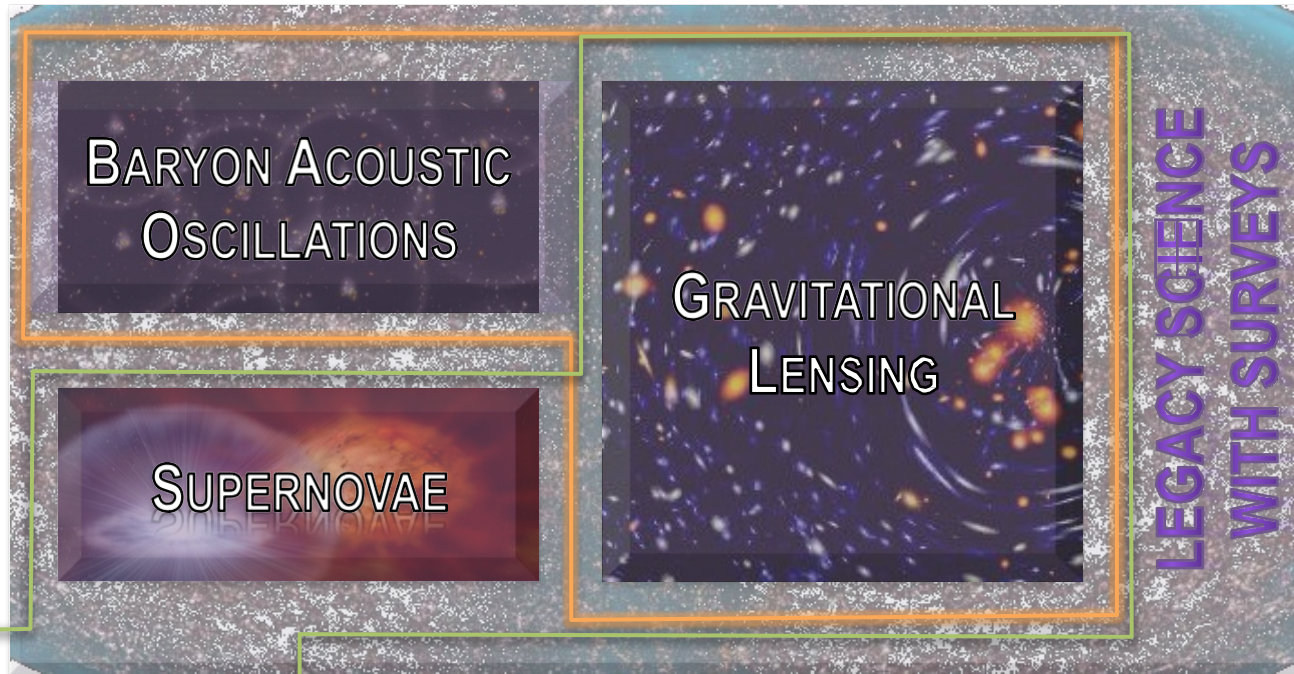
Ecliptic Plane
Celestial Equator

Microlensing
Fields

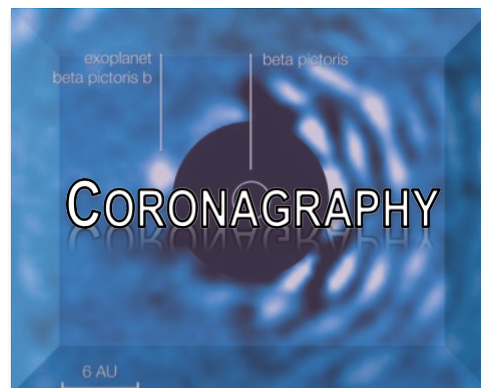
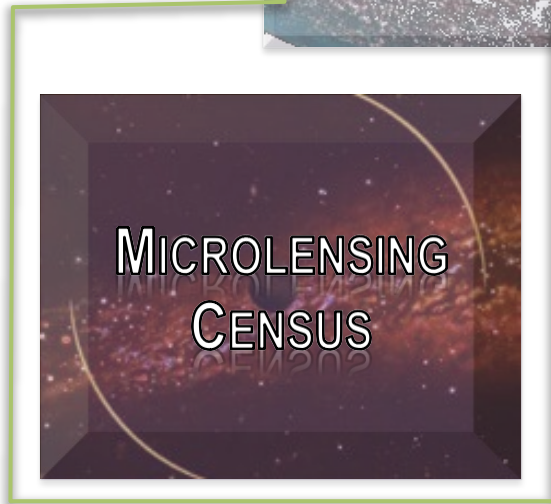
High Latitude
Survey Area

WFIRST-AFTA Science

*complements
Euclid*



*complements
LSST*



*continues
Great
Observatory
legacy*

Dark Energy & Cosmology

Questions:

1. Why is the Universe accelerating? Caused by a new energy component or by the breakdown of GR on cosmological scales?
2. If the cause is a new energy component, is its energy density constant in space and time, or has it evolved over the history of the universe?

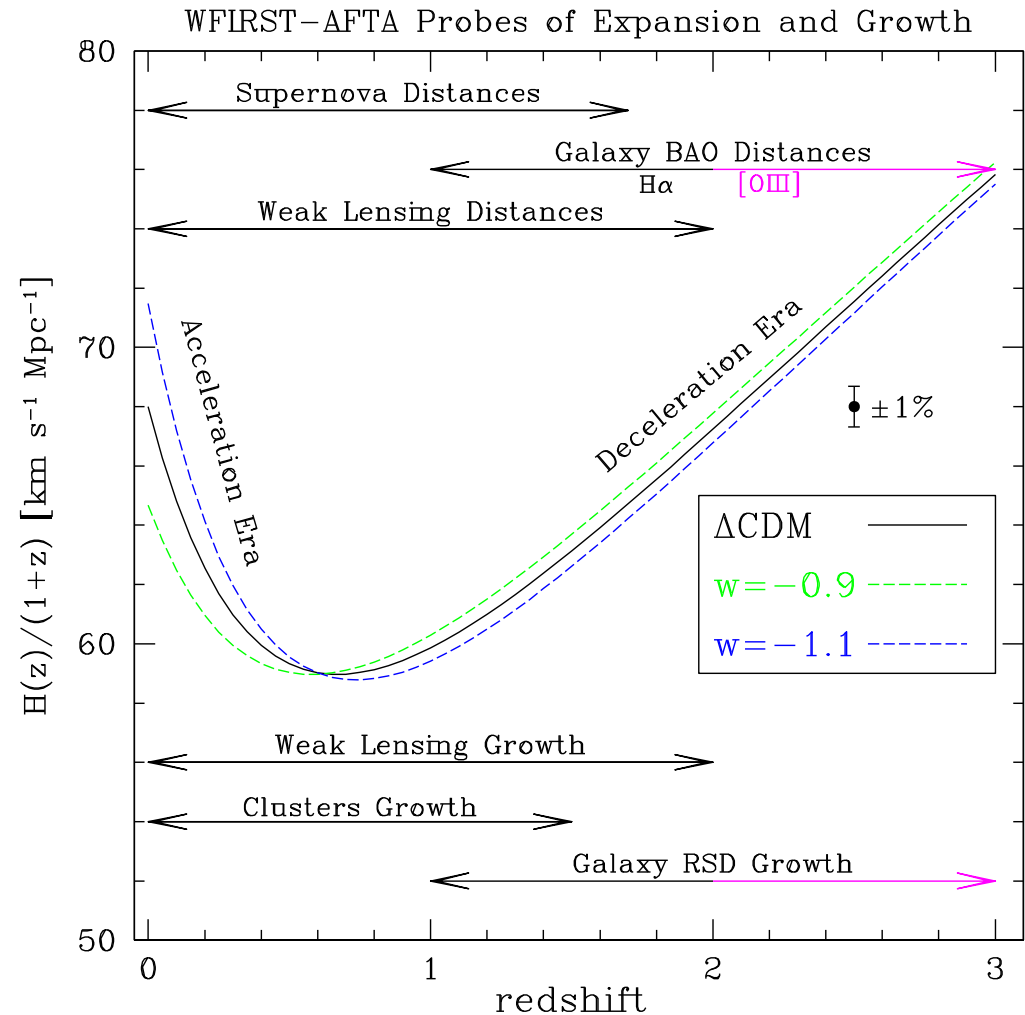
WFIRST-AFTA: Uses multiple methods to measure the history of cosmic expansion and structure growth

→ tightly constraining the properties of dark energy, the consistency of GR, and the curvature of space.

1. **Supernova Survey:** Standard ruler. Distance measurements, $z = 0 - 1.7$.
2. **Weak Lensing Survey:** Growth of structure from cosmic shear, galaxy-galaxy lensing, abundance of massive clusters.
3. **Galaxy Redshift Survey:** Distance and expansion rate from BAO, growth of structure from redshift-space distortions. Neutrino effects on galaxy PS.

WFIRST-AFTA Dark Energy

- Expansion history of the Universe and the growth of cosmic structure with multiple methods in overlapping redshift ranges.
- Tightly constrains the properties of dark energy, the consistency of GR, and the curvature of space.



"For each of the cosmological (dark energy) probes in NWNH, WFIRST/AFTA exceeds the goals set out in NWNH" NRC - Evaluation of the Implementation of WFIRST/AFTA in the Context of New Worlds, New Horizons in Astronomy and Astrophysics

The WFIRST-2.4 Dark Energy Roadmap

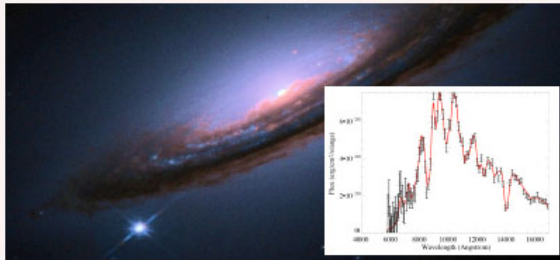
Supernova Survey

wide, medium, & deep imaging
+
IFU spectroscopy

2700 type Ia supernovae
 $z = 0.1-1.7$



standard candle distances
 $z < 1$ to 0.20% and $z > 1$ to 0.34%



High Latitude Survey

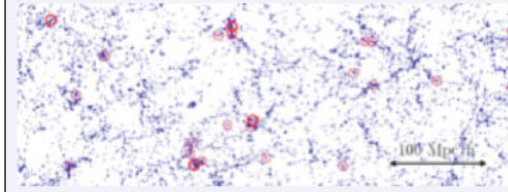
spectroscopic: galaxy redshifts

20 million H α galaxies, $z = 1-2$
2 million [OIII] galaxies, $z = 2-3$



standard ruler

distances expansion rate
 $z = 1-2$ to 0.4% $z = 1-2$ to 0.72%
 $z = 2-3$ to 1.3% $z = 2-3$ to 1.8%



imaging: weak lensing shapes

500 million lensed galaxies
40,000 massive clusters



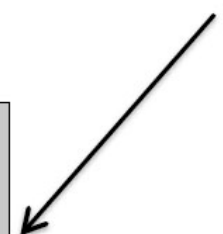
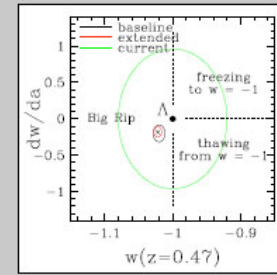
dark matter clustering

$z < 1$ to 0.16% (WL); 0.14% (CL)
 $z > 1$ to 0.54% (WL); 0.28% (CL)
1.2% (RSD)



history of dark energy
+
deviations from GR

$w(z)$, $\Delta G(z)$, $\Phi_{\text{REL}}/\Phi_{\text{NREL}}$



WFIRST-AFTA & Euclid

Complementary for Dark Energy

WFIRST-AFTA

Deep Infrared Survey (2400 deg²)

Lensing

- High Resolution (2.5x the Euclid # density of galaxies)
- Galaxy shapes in IR
- 5 lensing power spectra

Supernovae:

- High quality IFU spectra of >2000 SN Redshift survey
- High number density of galaxies
- Redshift range extends to $z = 3$

Euclid

Wide Optical and Shallow Infrared Survey (15000 deg²)

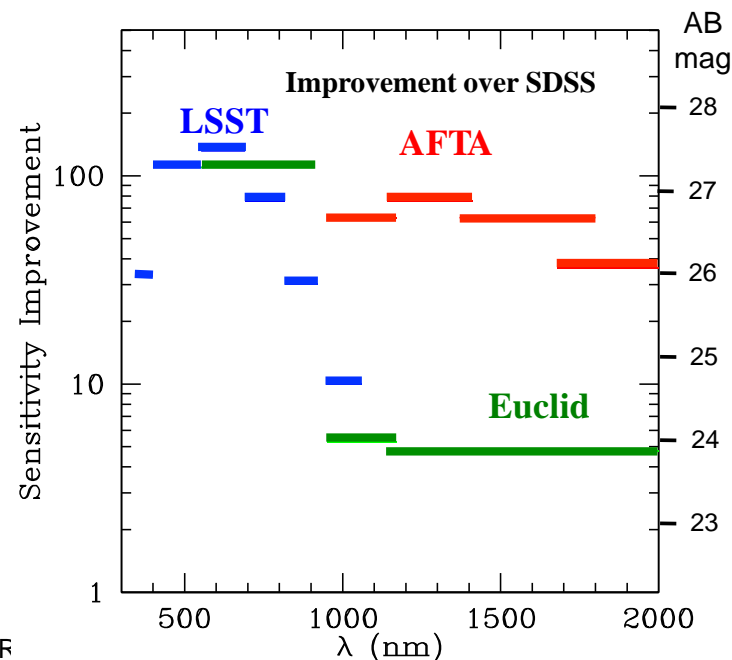
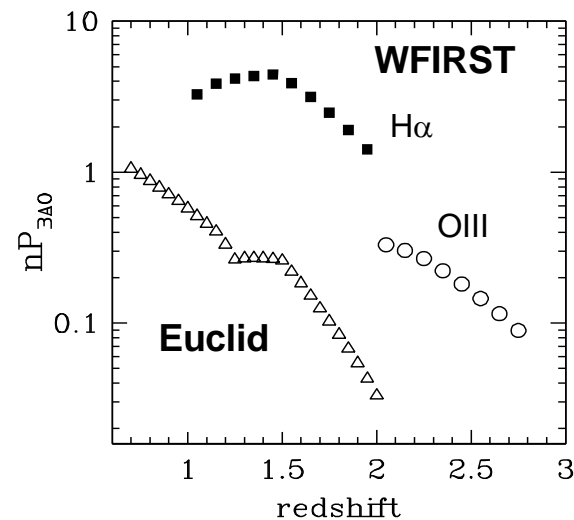
Lensing:

- Lower Resolution
- Galaxy shapes in optical
- 1 lensing power spectrum

No supernova program

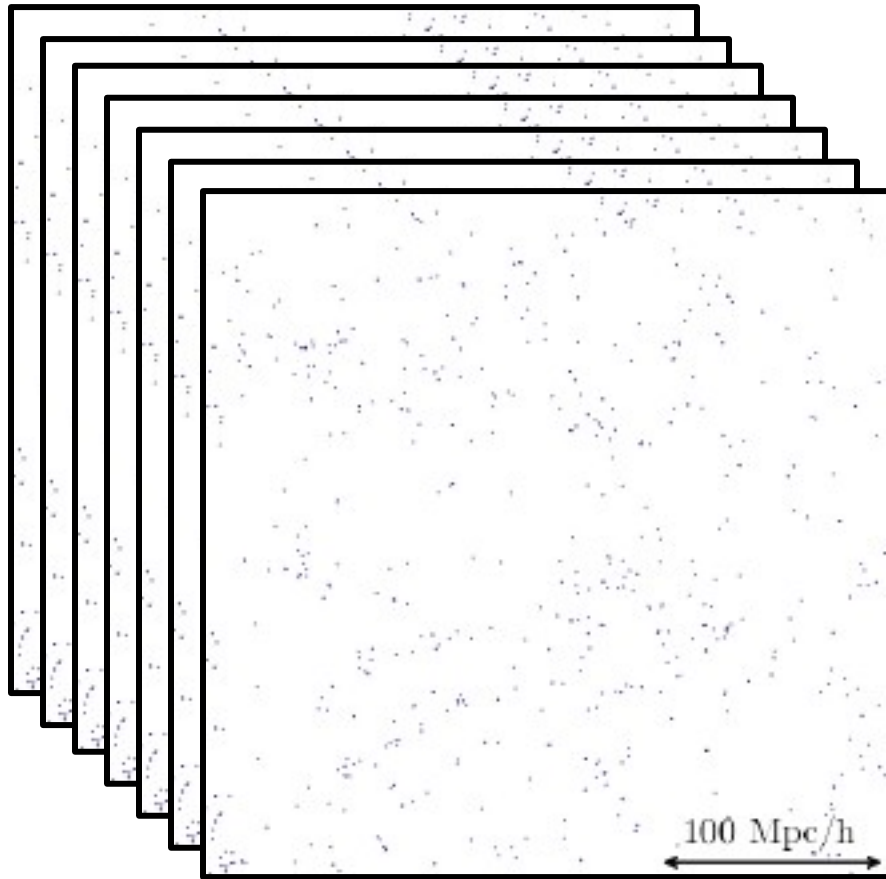
Redshift survey:

- Low number density of galaxies
- Redshift range $z = 0.7 - 2$



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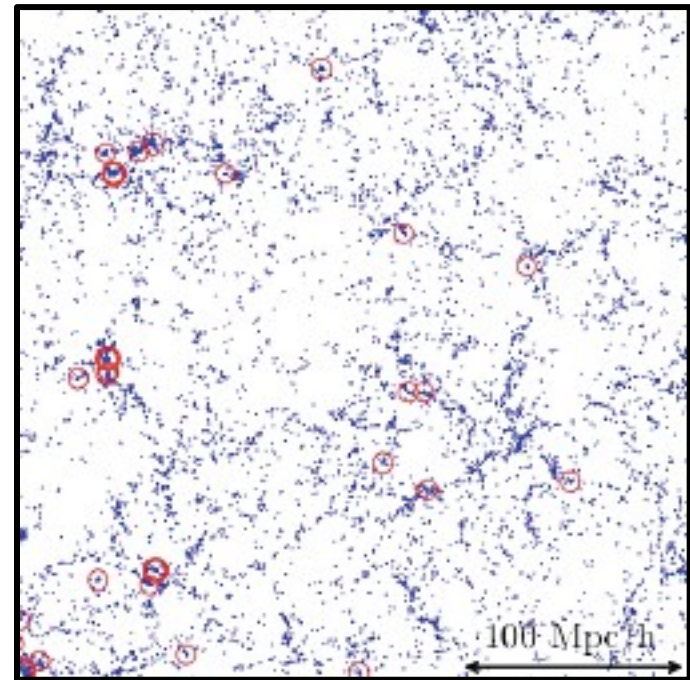
Detailed 3D Map of Large Scale Structure at $z = 1-2$



Euclid

15,000 deg² @ 1700 gal/deg²

Large scale structure simulation showing 0.1% of the total WFIRST-AFTA Galaxy Redshift Survey Volume



WFIRST

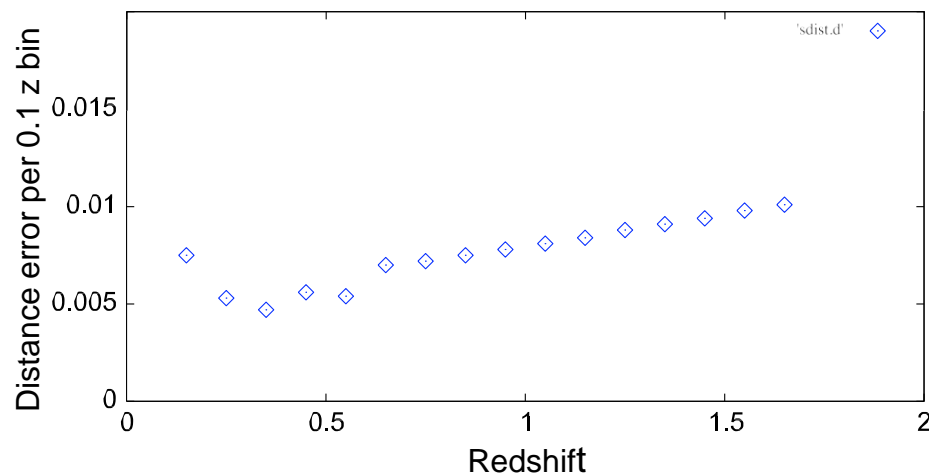
2,400 deg² @ 12,600 gal/deg²

Large scale structure simulations from 2013 SDT Report – courtesy of Ying Zu

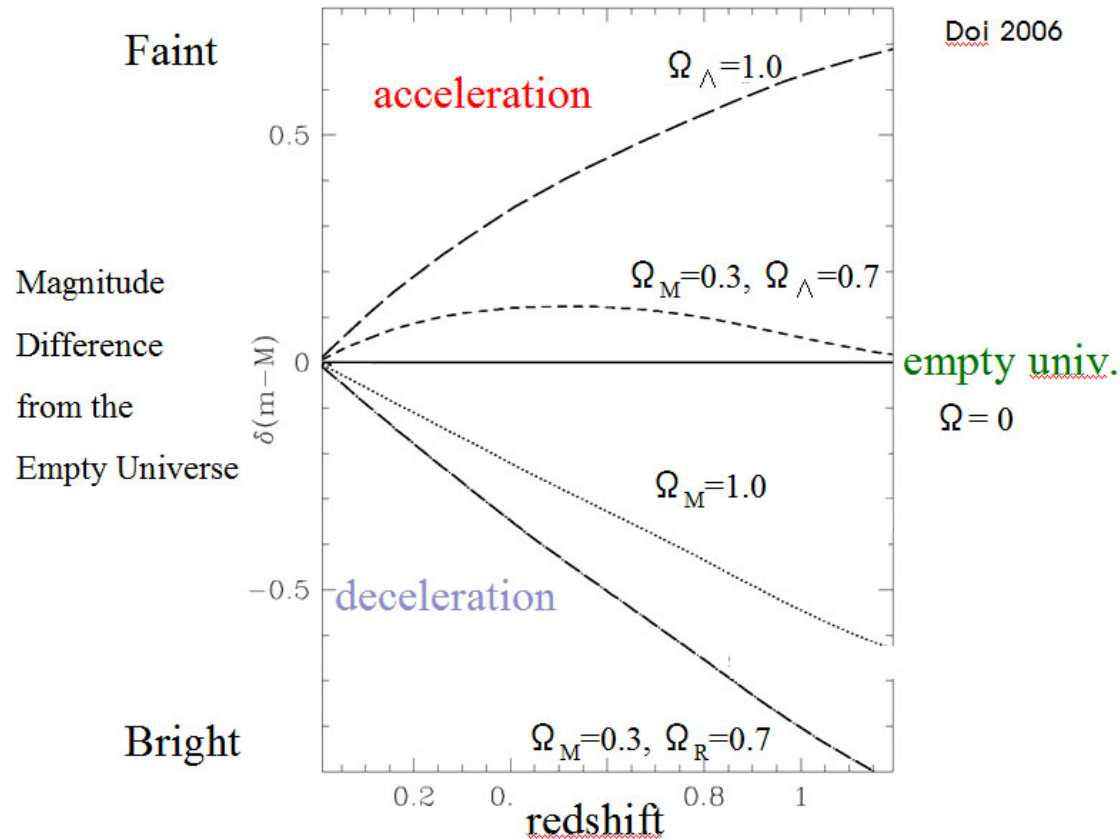
Thin and thick red circles mark clusters with masses exceeding $5 \times 10^{13} M_{\text{Sun}}$ and $10^{14} M_{\text{Sun}}$, respectively

The Supernova Survey

- Three tiered survey for low, medium, and high redshift Type Ia supernovae out to redshift of 1.7
- Use the Wide Field Instrument for SN discovery with a 5day cadence, the IFS for lightcurves from spectrophotometry
- 2700 supernovae, distance errors 0.5 % to 1.0 % per 0.1 redshift bin including best estimate of systematic errors
- Low infrared background in space allows unique high redshift survey not possible from the ground
- High S/N spectra with the IFU allow reduced systematic errors to match high precision achievable with 2.4 m



©, z dependence of apparent magnitude of a **standard candle**



$$m(z) - M_B = -5\log(H_0) + 25 + 5\log[H_0 D_L(z, \Omega_m, \Omega_{DE}, w)] + K_{Bx} + A$$

$$d_L = cH_0^{-1}(1+z) \int_0^z dz [(1+z)^3(\Omega_M) + (1-\Omega_M)(1+z)^{3(1+w)}]^{-1/2}$$

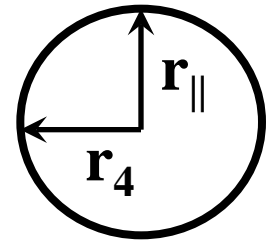
WFIRST-AFTA Galaxy Redshift Survey

- Wide and Deep Galaxy Redshift Survey:
 - ~20 million H α galaxies ($1 < z < 2$)
 - ~2 million [OIII] emission line galaxies ($2 < z < 3$)
 - Baseline survey area 2,400 deg²
- High Precision Measurement of Cosmic Expansion History and Growth History:
 - Model-independent measurement of cosmic expansion rate $H(z)$ & cosmic structure growth rate $f_g(z)\sigma_8(z)$ at a few % level with $dz=0.1$
 - Cumulative precision of $H(z)$ and $f_g(z)\sigma_8(z)$ at sub percent levels
- High Galaxy Number Density -- Tight Control of Systematic Effects:
 - Good sampling of cosmic large scale structure
 - Enables subdividing data into subsets for crosschecks
 - Enables higher order statistics
 - More robust to H α luminosity function uncertainties

Geometric methods using LSS

$$r_{\parallel} = \frac{c \Delta z}{H(z)}$$

$$r_{\perp} = (1+z) D_A(z) \Delta \theta \quad (=r d_{\perp})$$



where $D_A(z) = \frac{c}{1+z} \int_0^z \frac{dz}{H(z)}$

$$H(z) = \sqrt{\frac{\Omega_m h^2}{1 - \Omega_X}} \sqrt{\Omega_m (1+z)^3 + \Omega_X \exp \left[3 \int_0^z \frac{1+w(z)}{1+z} dz \right]}$$

Standard rulers (Actual objects or Features in PS/CF)

→ measure "z & " → H(z) & D_A(z) → ©_m, ©_,, w

BAO

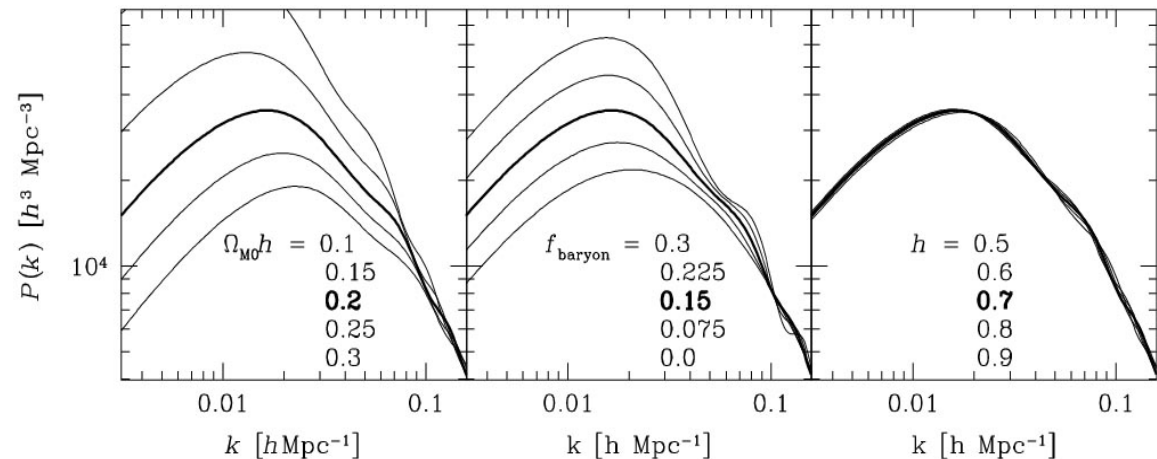
Acoustic oscillation amplitude : depends on \odot_b

oscillation scale = comoving sound horizon 's' at t_{dec}

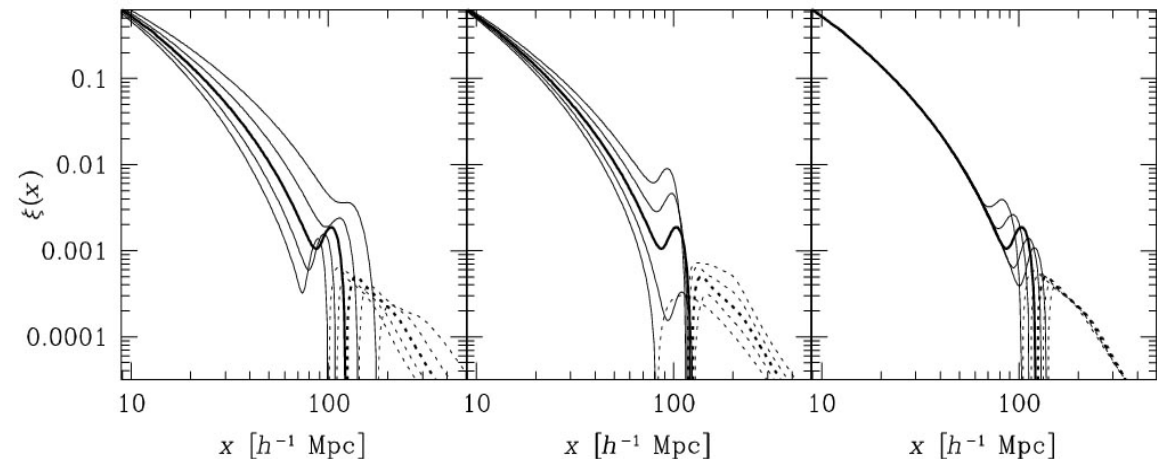
$k_A = 2\dot{A}/s$ depends strongly on \odot_m , weakly on \odot_b not on DE

→ Curvature of space, Baryonic mass

**Baryonic
oscillation in PS**



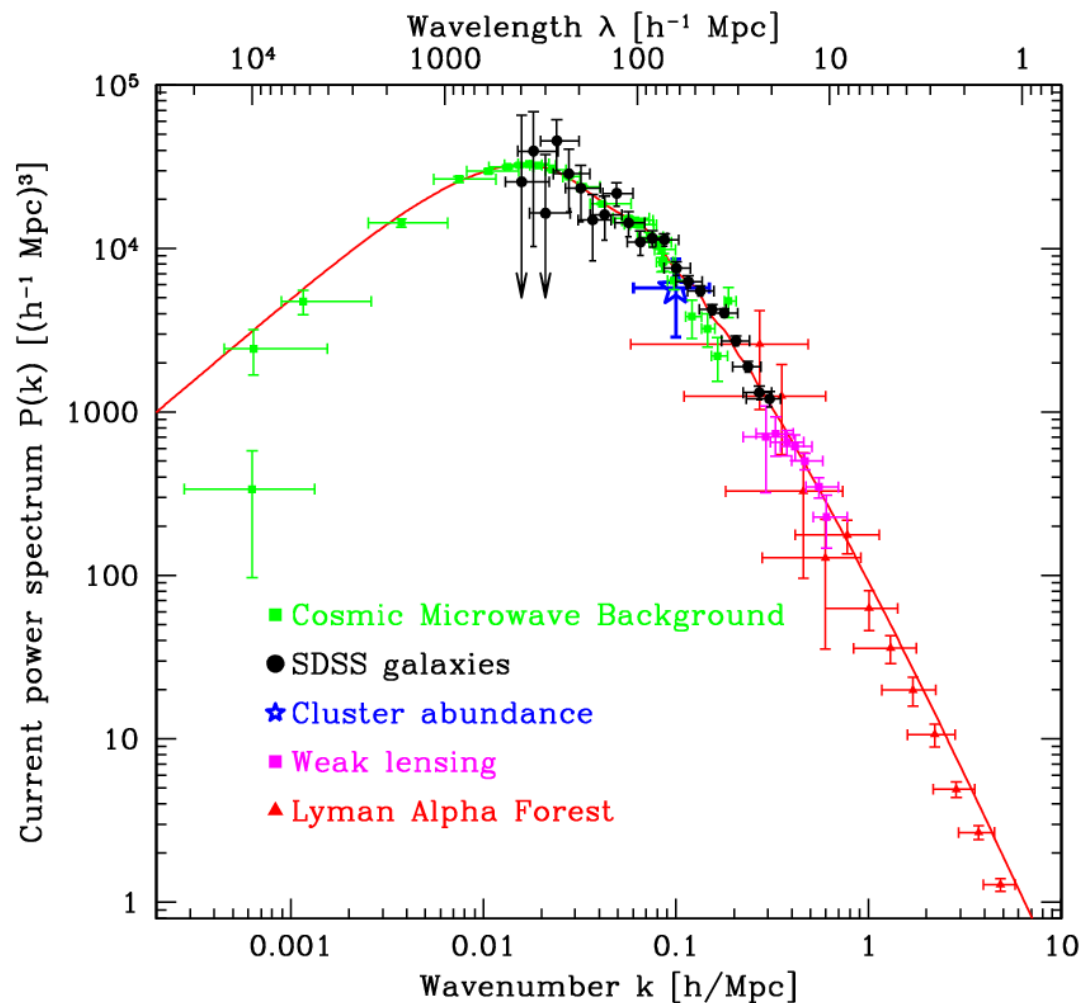
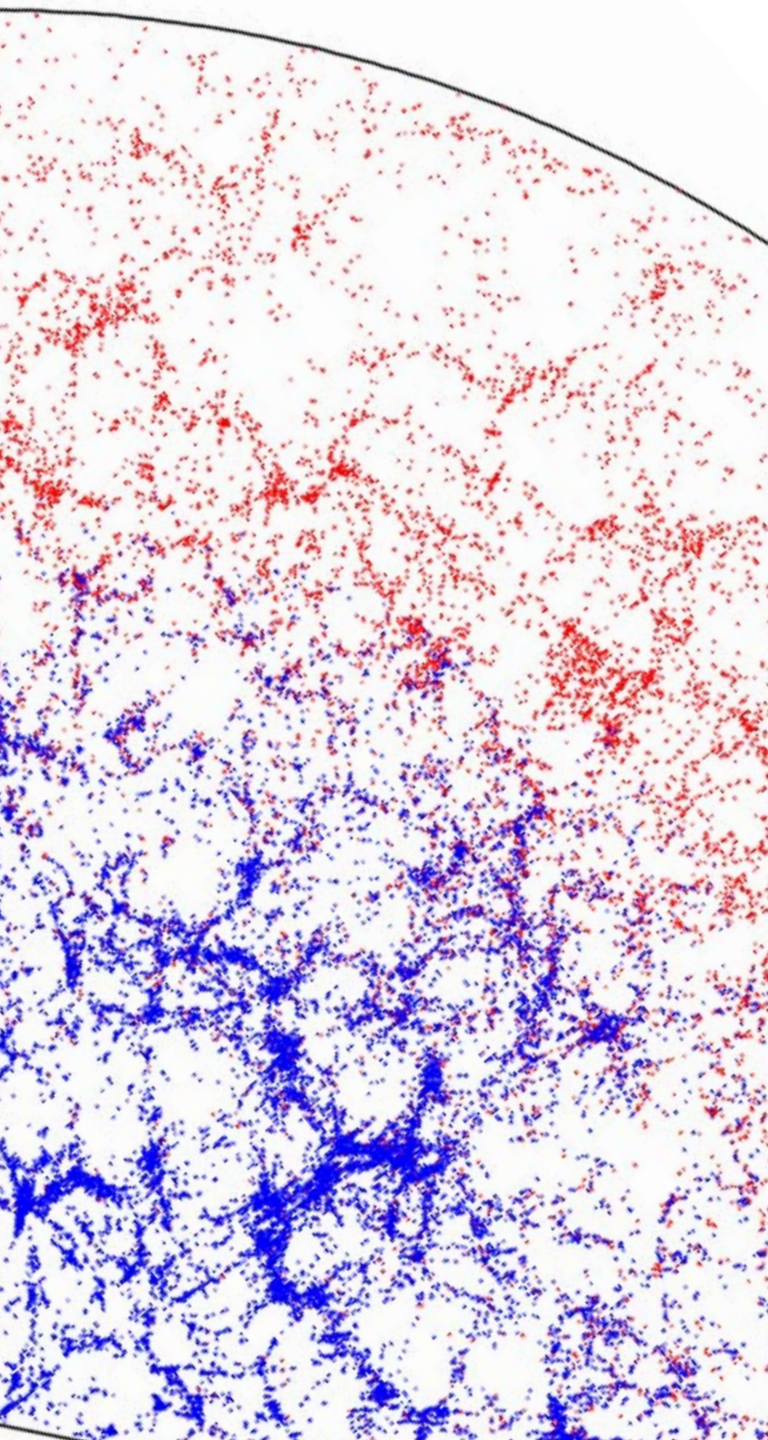
**Baryonic bump in
CF**



Power Spectrum from CMB & LSS

: \tilde{A}_8 (amplitude), \odot_m (equality scale)

But biasing relative to matter (\tilde{A}_8)



Weak Lensing with WFIRST

- Powerful probe of matter distribution in the Universe
 - Shapes for >400 million galaxies (50/arcmin² over 2400 deg²).
 - Precision of 0.12% on amplitude of matter clustering from cosmic shear; comparable power from cluster-galaxy and galaxy-galaxy lensing.
 - High number density enables high-resolution mass maps
- Systematic error control
 - Shapes measured in 3 filters, with total of 6 passes over the sky: rich opportunity for null tests, auto- and cross-correlations, and internal calibration. *Crucial* for believing high-precision measurements.
 - Small and stable PSF with 2.4 m space telescope reduces systematic errors in the PSF model and their impact on galaxy ellipticity measurement
 - Dither pattern recovers full sampling, even rejecting cosmic rays at GEO rate

Clusters of galaxies

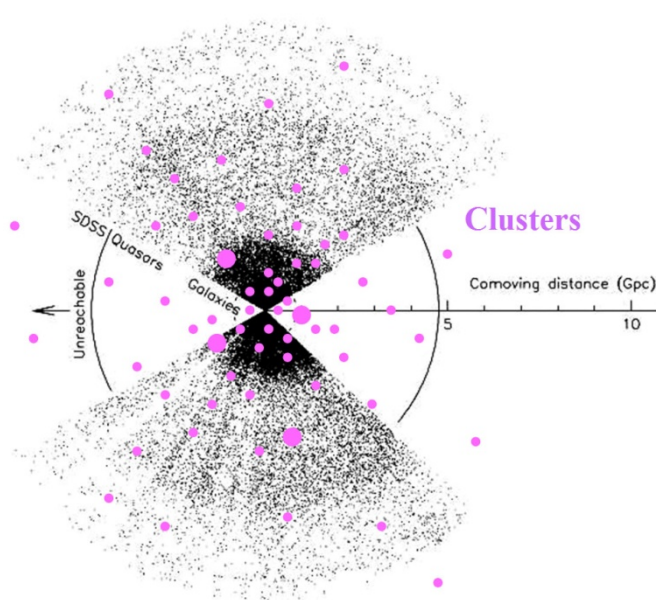
Cluster # count

A census of clusters by X-ray or SZ effect as a function of redshift and mass

Compared with model predictions to derive cosmological parameters

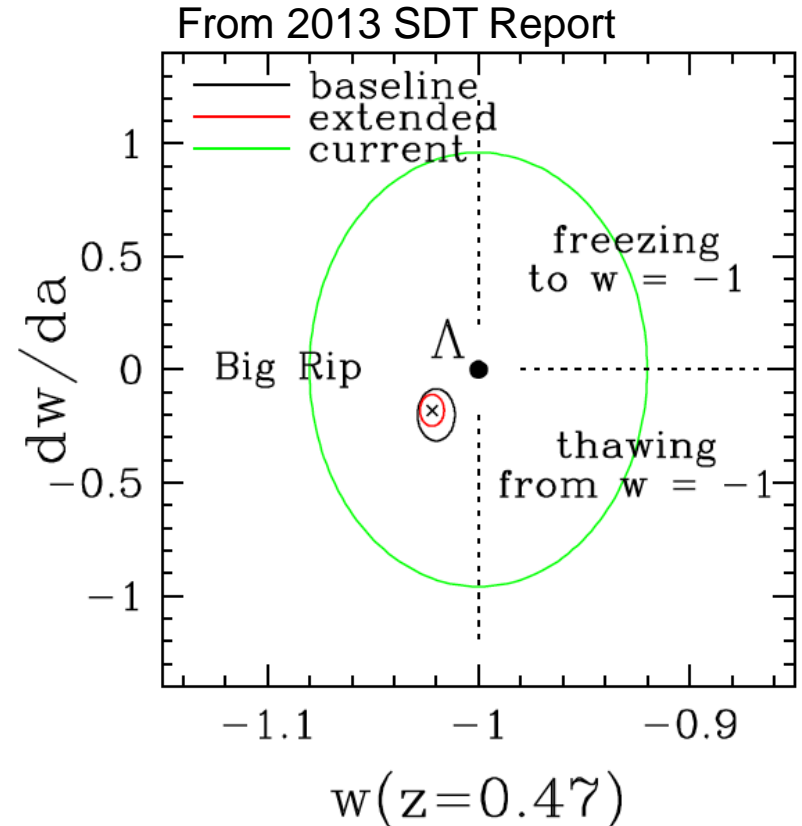
abundance $d^2N/dMdz$

$$\frac{d^2N}{dz d\Omega} = \frac{c}{H(z)} d_A^2(z) (1+z)^2 \int_0^\infty dM \frac{dn}{dM}(M, z) f(M, z)$$



Potential for Discovery

WFIRST-AFTA will improve cosmological measurements by 1-2 orders of magnitude over current data, with greater redshift leverage, control of systematics, and cross-checks of methods.



Forecast dark energy constraints from baseline & extended programs, compared to current knowledge. Distinct regions of plane represent fundamentally different physics.

Current/Planned Wide-Field Spectroscopic Galaxy Surveys

Instrument	Telescope	Ref	Nights/ year	No. Galaxies	sq deg	Ops Start
SDSS I+II	APO 2.5m	1	dedicated	85K LRG	7600	2000
Wiggle-Z	AAT 3.9m	2	60	239K	1000	2007
BOSS	APO 2.5m	3	dedicated	1.4M LRG + 160K Ly- α	10000	2009
HETDEX	HET 9.2m	4	60	1M	420	2014
eBOSS	APO 2.5m	-	dedicated	600K LRG + 70K Ly- α	7000	2014
MS-DESI	NOAO 4m	5	tbd	32M + 2M Ly-a	18000	2018
SUMIRE PFS	Subaru 8.2m	6	20	4M	1400	2018
4MOST	VISTA 4.1m	7	dedicated	6-20M bright objects	15000	2019
EUCLID	1.2m space	8	dedicated	52M	14700	2021

- 1 Eisenstein et al AJ 122, 2267 (2001) & astro-ph/0501171 (2005); Hogg et al ApJ 624, 54 (2005);
- 2 Drinkwater et al MNRAS 401, 1429 (2010); Scrimgeour et al arXiv 1205.6812 (2012)
- 3 Eisenstein et al AJ 142, 72 (2011); Bolton et al arXiv 1207.7326 (2012); <http://www.sdss3.org/dr9/>
- 4 Hill et al ASP Conf Series vol 399, 115 (2008) ** but 1/7 fill factor
- 5 Abdalla et al arXiv 1209.2451 (2012), Schlegel et al arXiv 1106.1706 (2011)
- 6 Ellis et al arXiv 1206.0737 (2012)
- 7 de Jong et al arXiv 1206.6885 (2012); primarily follpw-up of GAIA stellar samples
- 8 Amiaux et al arXiv 1209.2228 (2012)

WFIRST	2.4m space		0.6 year	22M	2000	2024
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Dark Energy Landscape in 2024



- DES, HSC long done
- DESI, PFS wrapping up
- LSST in $\sim 3^{\text{rd}}$ year of survey operations
- Euclid in mature operation
- WFIRST launches
 - Is WFIRST to Euclid as Planck is to WMAP?
 - Multiplicity of experiments and probes suggests there will be a number of tensions to resolve, due to systematics and/or departures from Λ CDM.

SDSS vs WFIRST

1. WMAP vs Planck

2. Not just DE