

Dynamics of Linear Perturbations in Modified Gravity

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Background Viability

1. $f_{RR} > 0$ to have a stable high-curvature regime, to have a non-tachyonic scalar field
2. $1 + f_R > 0$ to prevent the graviton from turning into ghost
3. $f_R < 0$ negative, monotonically increasing function of R that asymptotes to zero from below
4. $|f_R^0| \leq 10^{-6}$ must be small at recent epochs to pass LGC

(Hu and Sawicki astro-ph/0705.1158)



$$w_{eff} \simeq -1$$

(Dolgov & Kawasaki, Phys.Lett.B 573 (2003), Navarro et al. gr-qc/0611127, Sawicki and Hu astro-ph/0702278
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$$\frac{k^2}{a^2} \frac{f_{RR}}{F}$$

There is a **scale** associated with the extra d.o.f. :

$$\lambda_C \equiv \sqrt{\frac{f_{RR}}{F}} = \frac{1}{m_{f_R}}$$

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Below this scale there is a significant **departure from std GR**
and a **scale dependence** in the behavior of perturbations

- $\lambda \gg \lambda_C$

$$\chi \simeq 0, \quad G_{eff} \simeq \frac{G}{F}$$

$$\Psi \simeq \Phi$$

- $\lambda \ll \lambda_C$

$$\chi \simeq -\frac{2}{3}F\Phi_+, \quad G_{eff} \simeq \frac{4}{3}\frac{G}{F}$$

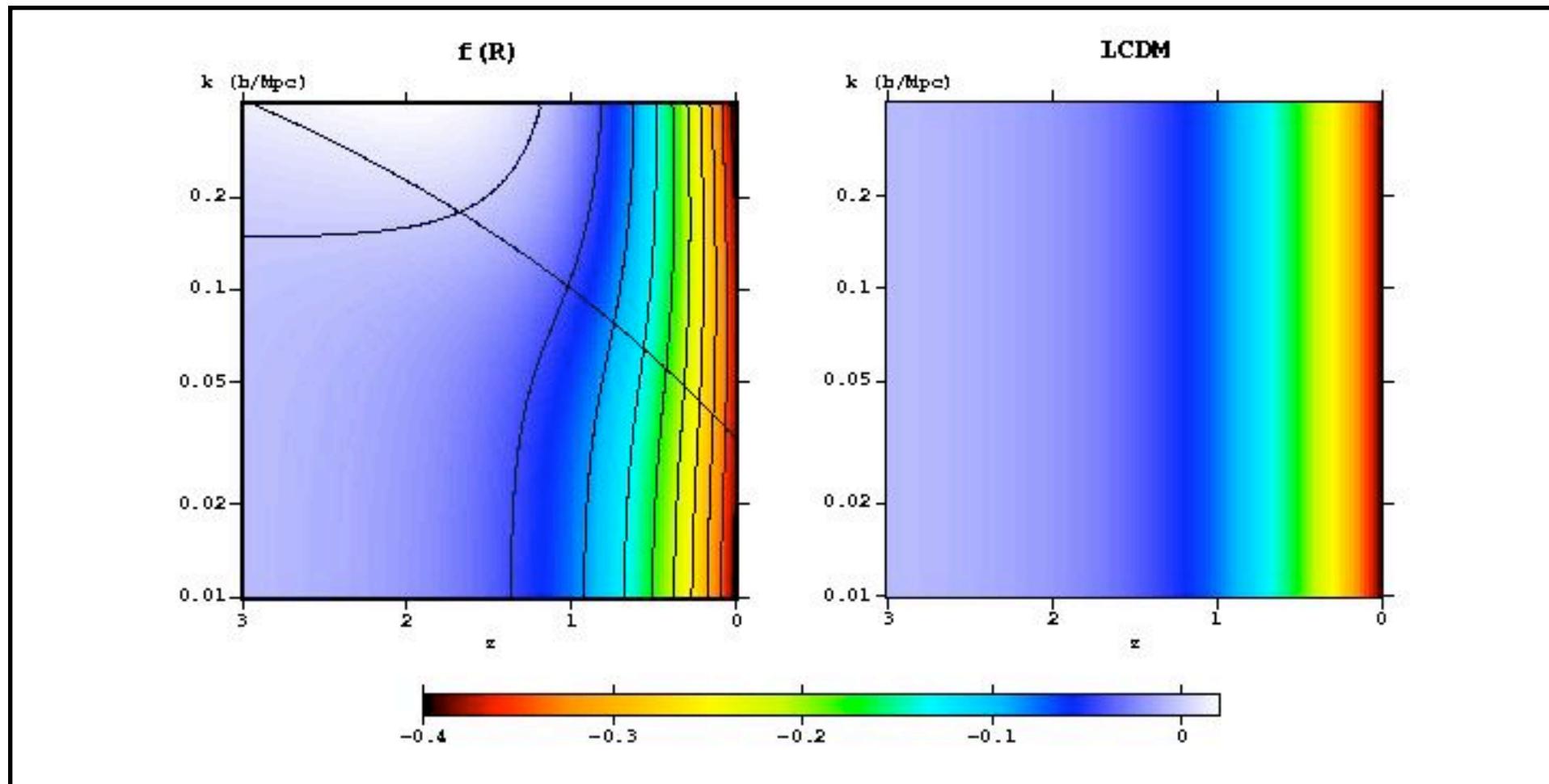
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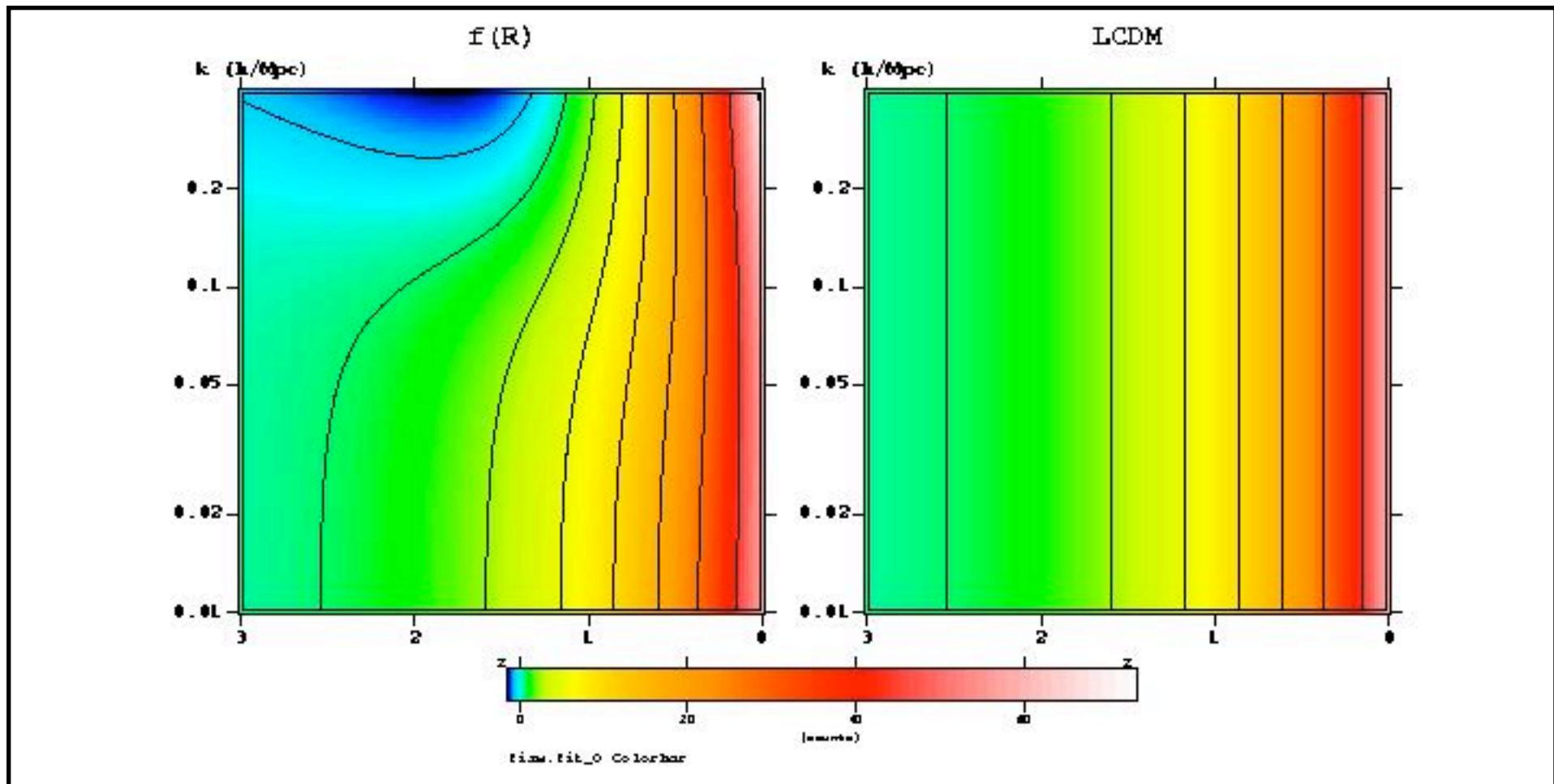
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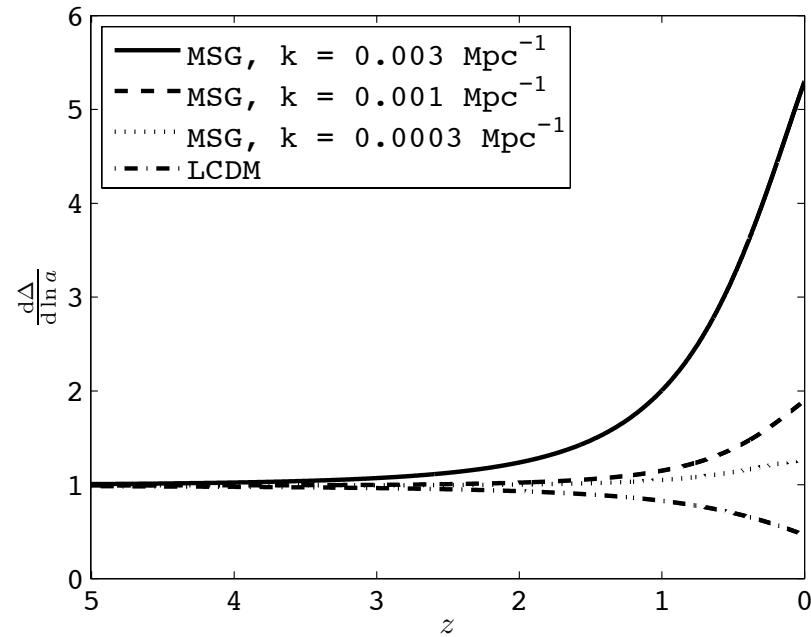
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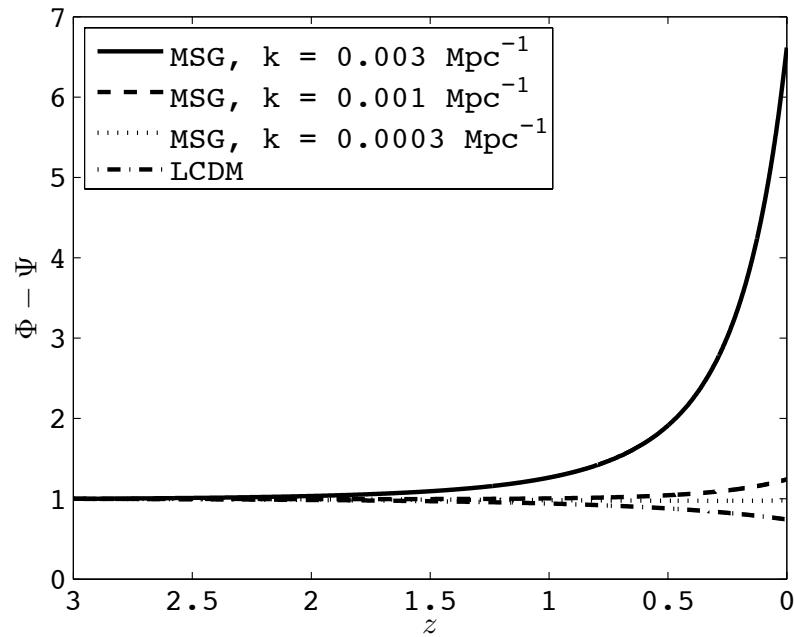
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- scale-dependent runaway growth
- rapid structure formation drives the growth of gravitational potentials
- the ISW effect is enhanced at the lowest multipoles
- negative LSS-ISW correlation



CONCLUSIONS

For $f(R)$ and MSG models that reproduce the desired background evolution, we investigated the dynamics of linear perturbations, finding:

- transition scale related to new d.o.f. mass scale
- effective shear \rightarrow slip between metric potentials Ψ and Φ
- modified, scale-dependent evolution of \rightarrow modified ISW signal
 - the metric potentials
- modified, scale-dependent evolution of matter perturbations

The ISW, its correlation with LSS and Weak Lensing might be very useful probes of modifications of gravity



THANK YOU!



