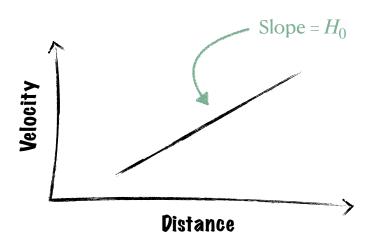
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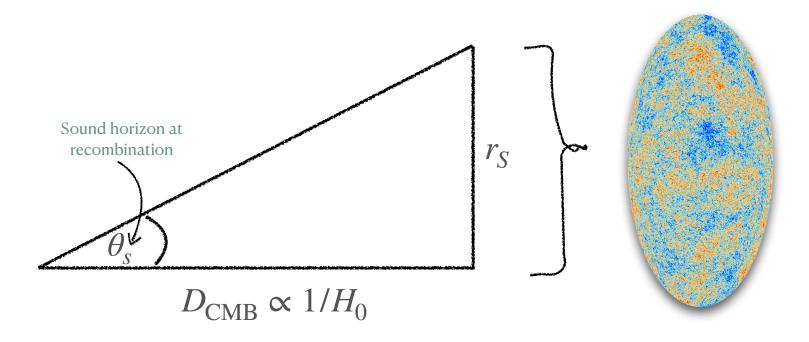
What is the Hubble Parameter?

A measure of the expansion rate of the universe

 H_0 = expansion rate today



Another way to measure it !



Indirect measurement

The Hubble Tension

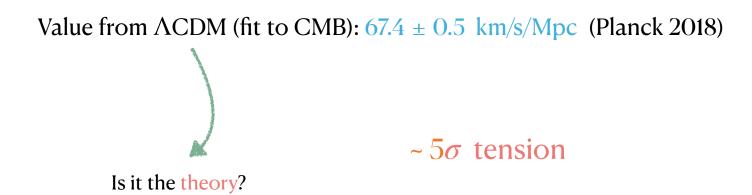
Local measurement: 73.2 ± 1.3 km/s/Mpc (Riess et al 2021)

Value from Λ CDM (fit to CMB): 67.4 ± 0.5 km/s/Mpc (Planck 2018)

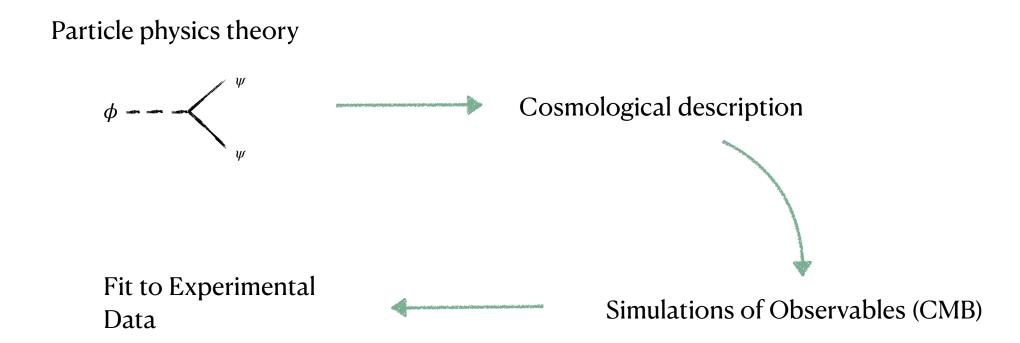
~ 5σ tension

The Hubble Tension

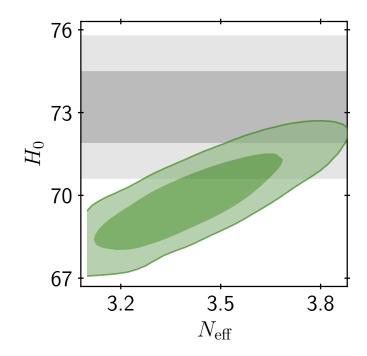
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Can we reconcile the tension with new physics?



Some Results



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Interesting research

Great mentorship / supportive environment

Opportunities for outreach

Tons to do in Boston! And its walkable