COSMOLOGICAL CONSTRAINTS FROM BARYONIC ACOUSTIC OSCILLATIONS

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In this paper, we use measurements of baryon acoustic oscillation (BAO) measurements by the Dark Energy Spectroscopic Instrument (DESI) to obtain constraints on cosmological parameters in the Λ CDM model.

The Λ CDM Model

We begin with a brief review of the Λ CDM model and some of its variants.

Energy density is split into 6 species, baryonic matter $\Omega_{\rm b}$, cold (i.e. non-relativistic) dark matter $\Omega_{\rm c}$, electromagnetic radiation Ω_{γ} , curvature $\Omega_{\rm K}$, neutrinos Ω_{ν} , and dark energy $\Omega_{\rm DE}$. Baryonic and cold dark matter is grouped as $\Omega_{\rm bc} = \Omega_{\rm b} + \Omega_{\rm c}$, while non-relativistic matter including neutrinos is grouped as $\Omega_{\rm m} = \Omega_{\rm bc} + \Omega_{\rm m}$. Using standard equation of state parameters for $\Omega_{\rm bc}$, Ω_{γ} , and Ω_{K} , we can write the time-dependent Hubble parameter as:

$$\frac{H(z)}{H_0} = \left[\Omega_{\rm bc}(1+z)^3 + \Omega_{\gamma}(1+z)^4 + \Omega_{\rm K}(1+z)^2 + \Omega_{\nu}\frac{\rho_{\nu}(z)}{\rho_{\nu,0}} + \Omega_{\rm DE}\frac{\rho_{\rm DE}(z)}{\rho_{\rm DE,0}}\right]^{1/2}.$$
 (1)

Bayesian Analysis in Cosmology

Results

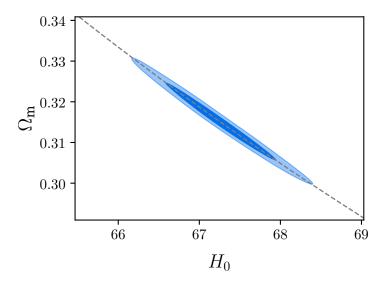


Figure 1:

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