# A brief review of attempts to solve the Hubble tension

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## Introduction

#### Depending on the method:

$$H_0 = 66.93 \pm 0.62 \ km. \ s^{-1}. \ Mpc^{-1}$$
 by the Planck data group

$$H_0 = 73.24 \pm 1.74 \ km. \ s^{-1}. \ Mpc^{-1}$$
 according to Riess et al.

It's a  $3.4\sigma$  discrepancy, so what's going on ?

## Possible solution: Primordial GWs

#### Modify early universe physics:

Primordial GWs have an impact on the effective number of relativistic degrees of freedom

$$N_{eff} = 3.046 + \left[3.046 + \frac{8}{7} \left(\frac{11}{4}\right)^{\frac{4}{3}}\right] \frac{A_s r}{24n_t} \left(\frac{k_{UV}}{k_*}\right)^{n_t}$$

$$\rho_{tot} = \rho_{\gamma} \left(1 + \frac{7}{8} \left(\frac{4}{11}\right)^{\frac{4}{3}} N_{eff}\right)$$

Get to 
$$H_0 = 68.62^{+0.57}_{-1.20} \ km. s^{-1}. Mpc^{-1}$$

### Possible solution: Errors on the measurements

Shanks et al. argue that Riess et al. made measurement errors

$$H = \frac{v}{D}$$

Correct errors to increase *D* and decrease *v* Get to  $H_0 = 67.6 \pm 1.52 \ km. \ s^{-1}. \ Mpc^{-1}$ 

But later Riess et al. explain how this is wrong in a new paper

## Possible solution: Coupled Dark Sector

Dark Energy is the leading factor of accelerated expansion: Parametrize energy flow DM → DE

$$\nabla_{\mu} T^{\mu}_{(de)\nu} = \frac{Q^{(de)}_{\nu}}{a} \text{ and } \nabla_{\mu} T^{\mu}_{(dm)\nu} = \frac{Q^{(dm)}_{\nu}}{a}$$

With

$$Q_{(dm)}^{\nu} = \xi H \rho_{de} u_{(dm)}^{\nu} = -Q_{(de)}^{\nu}$$

Tension solved with  $\xi = -0.26^{+0.16}_{-0.12}$  (at 95% CL) for  $\Lambda$ CDM model

Even better in wCDM model with  $w = -1.184 \pm 0.064$  (at 95% CL)

## Conclusion

So far, no real solution to the tension ...

But new physics might be the best lead!

What would be your solution?

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