

A brief review of attempts to solve the Hubble tension

What is it all about ?

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Introduction

Depending on the method:

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

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

It's a 3.4σ 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

$$N_{eff} = 3.046 + \left[3.046 + \frac{8}{7} \left(\frac{11}{4} \right)^{\frac{4}{3}} \right] \frac{A_s r}{24 n_t} \left(\frac{k_{UV}}{k_*} \right)^{n_t}$$
$$\rho_{tot} = \rho_\gamma \left(1 + \frac{7}{8} \left(\frac{4}{11} \right)^{\frac{4}{3}} N_{eff} \right)$$

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

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 $H_0 = 67.6 \pm 1.52 \text{ km.s}^{-1}.\text{Mpc}^{-1}$

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 \rightarrow DE

$$\nabla_\mu T_{(de)\nu}^\mu = \frac{Q_\nu^{(de)}}{a} \text{ and } \nabla_\mu T_{(dm)\nu}^\mu = \frac{Q_\nu^{(dm)}}{a}$$

With

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

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

Even better in w CDM 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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