

Evolution of structures in shift-symmetric Galileon models

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Galileon models: generic features

- Lagrangian: $\mathcal{L} = G_2(X) + G_3(X)\square\phi + \frac{1}{2}M_{\text{pl}}^2 R$
- Linear perturbations in the quasi-static regime described by two functions, μ^{L} and Σ^{L}
- $-k^2\Psi = 4\pi G_N a^2 \mu^{\text{L}}(a, k) \bar{\rho}_{\text{m}} \delta_{\text{m}}, -k^2(\Psi + \Phi) = 4\pi G_N a^2 \Sigma^{\text{L}}(a, k) \bar{\rho}_{\text{m}} \delta_{\text{m}}$
- Linear perturbations: $\mu^{\text{L}} = \Sigma^{\text{L}} = 1 + \frac{2a_{\text{B}}^2}{\alpha c_s^2}$
- Nonlinear Vainshtein screening
- Everything can be written in terms of the EFT functions α_K and α_B



EFT functions for linear perturbations

- $H(t)$ [$w_{\text{ds}}(t)$]: background evolution
- $\alpha_K(t)$: “kineticity” - kinetic energy, large $\alpha_K \rightarrow$ small c_s^2
- $\alpha_B(t)$: “braiding” - mixing of kinetic terms and metric, contributes to DE clustering
- $\alpha_M(t)$: “running rate of the Planck mass” $M^2(t)$ - $H\alpha_M = d \ln M^2 / dt$, contributes to the anisotropic stress
- $\alpha_T(t)$: “tensor speed excess” - $c_{gw}^2/c^2 = 1 + \alpha_T$, contributes to the anisotropic stress
- $\alpha_H(t)$: “beyond Horndeski” - higher order terms that cancel in the e.o.m.
- Stability conditions: $c_s^2 > 0$, $c_T^2 > 0$, $\alpha = \alpha_K + 6\alpha_B^2 > 0$

Bellini & Sawicki, 2014; Gleyzes et al., 2014, 2015

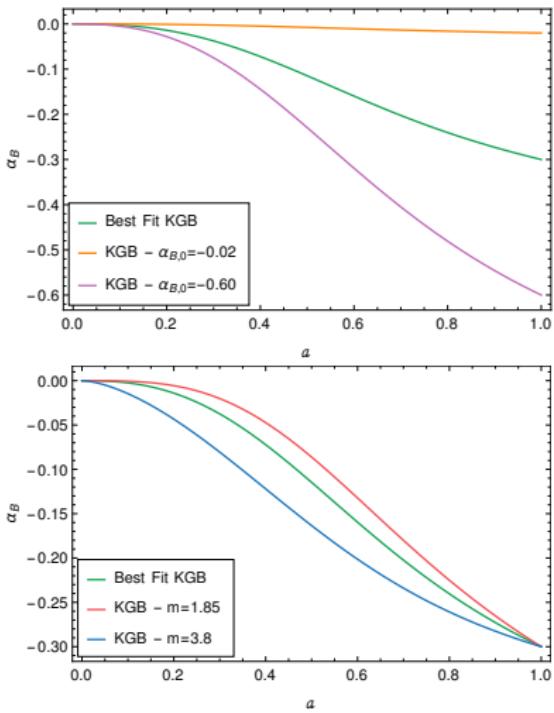


Applications to a KGB-mimic model

- We need to specify G_2 and G_3 to fix α_K and α_B
- Here we pursue a more general approach not specifying the G functions
- KGB features are encoded in $w_{de}(a)$ and $\alpha_B(a)$
- This modelling fits more than 98% of the randomly generated models
(Traykova et al., 2021)
- $w_{de}(a) = w_0 + w_a(1 - a)$, $\alpha_B(a) = \alpha_{B,0} \left(\frac{H_0}{H(a)}\right)^{4/m}$, $\alpha_{K,0} = 10$
- The baseline model is $\{w_0, w_a, \alpha_{B,0}, m\} = \{-0.97, -0.11, -0.30, 2.4\}$

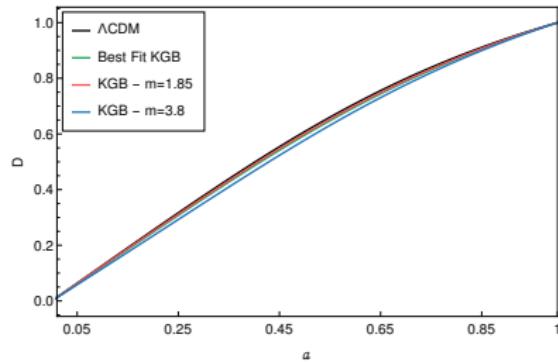
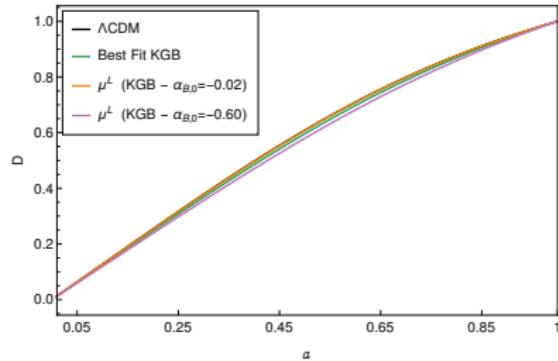


Evolution of α_B



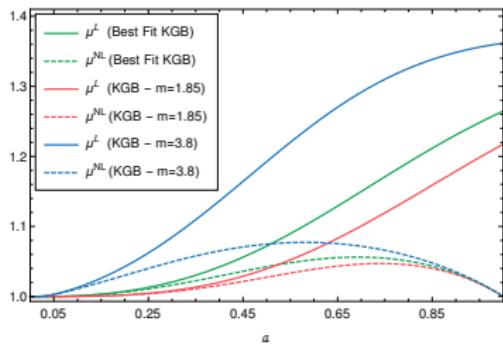
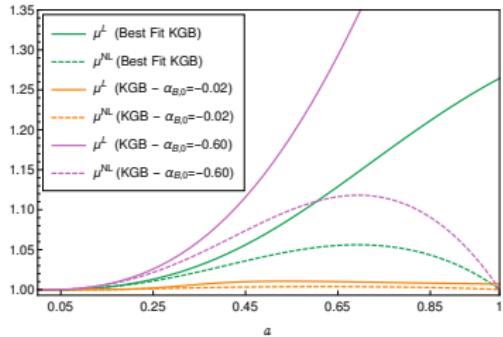
How do linear perturbations evolve?

$$\ddot{\delta}_m + 2H\dot{\delta}_m - 4\pi G_N \bar{\rho}_m \mu^L(a) \delta_m = 0$$



Effective gravitational constant

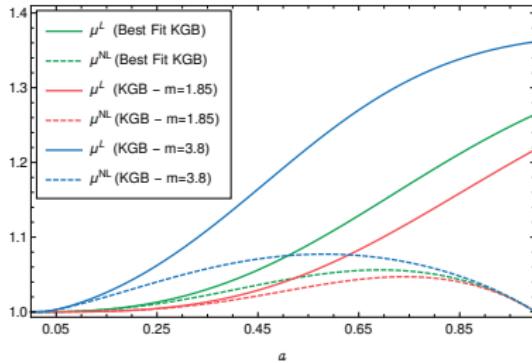
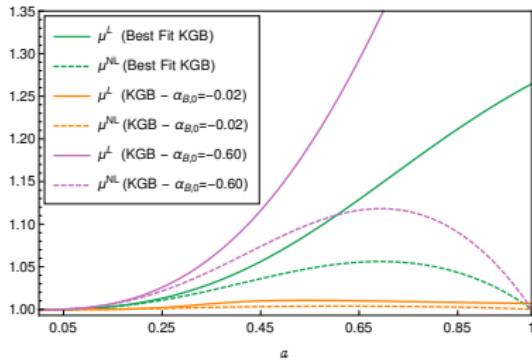
Recall the definition of the linear effective gravitational constant $\mu^L = 1 + \frac{2a_B^2}{\alpha c_s^2}$



How can we compute nonlinear perturbations?

- Assume the validity of the quasi-static approximation
- Poisson equation: $\nabla^2 \Psi = \frac{\bar{\rho}_m \delta_m}{2M_{pl}^2} + \alpha_B H \nabla^2 \chi$
- Evolution of the scalar field: $\nabla^2 \chi + \lambda^2 \left[(\nabla_i \nabla_j \chi)^2 - (\nabla^2 \chi)^2 \right] = -\frac{\lambda^2}{2M_{pl}^2} \bar{\rho}_m \delta_m$
- Consider spherical symmetry
- Nonlinear effective gravitational constant
$$\mu^{NL} = 1 + 2(\mu^L - 1) \left(\frac{R}{R_V} \right)^3 \left(\sqrt{1 + \frac{R^3}{R_V^3}} - 1 \right)$$
- Vainshtein radius $R_V^3 = 8\lambda^4 G_N M$ $\left(\lambda^2 \equiv -\frac{2\alpha_B^2}{H a c_s^2} \right)$
- Nonlinear Poisson equation: $\nabla^2 \Psi = 4\pi G_N \mu^{NL}(a, R) a^2 \bar{\rho}_m \delta_m$

Nonlinear effective gravitational constant



Evolution of nonlinear perturbations

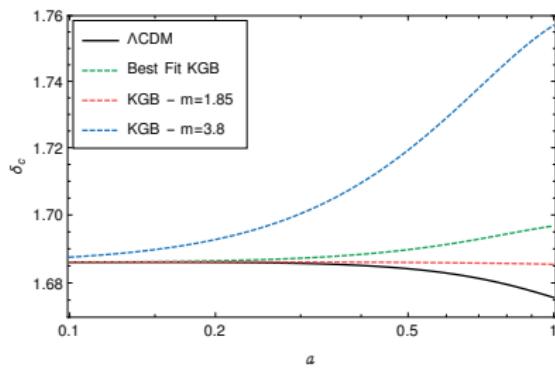
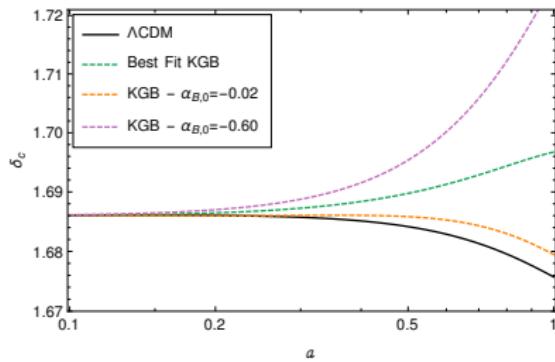
- Use the spherical collapse model:

$$\ddot{\delta}_m + 2H\dot{\delta}_m - \frac{4}{3} \frac{\dot{\delta}_m^2}{1+\delta_m} - 4\pi G_N \mu^{NL} \bar{\rho}_m \delta_m (1+\delta_m) = 0$$

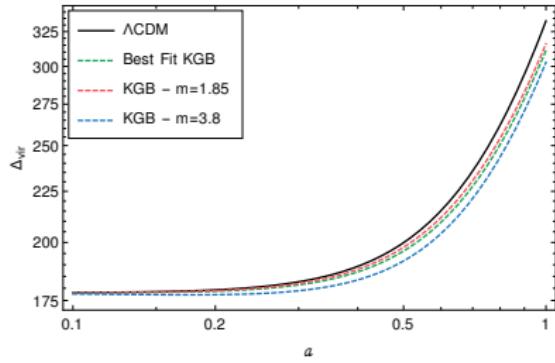
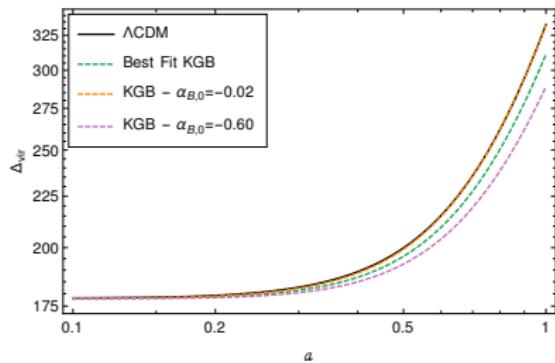
- A stable perturbation satisfies the virial theorem $T + \frac{1}{2}U = 0$
- Energy conservation is not strictly satisfied in modified gravity models, so we use it to find the virialization time
- Virial overdensity: $\Delta_{vir} = [1 + \delta_m(R_{vir})] \left(\frac{a_{coll}}{a_{vir}} \right)^3$



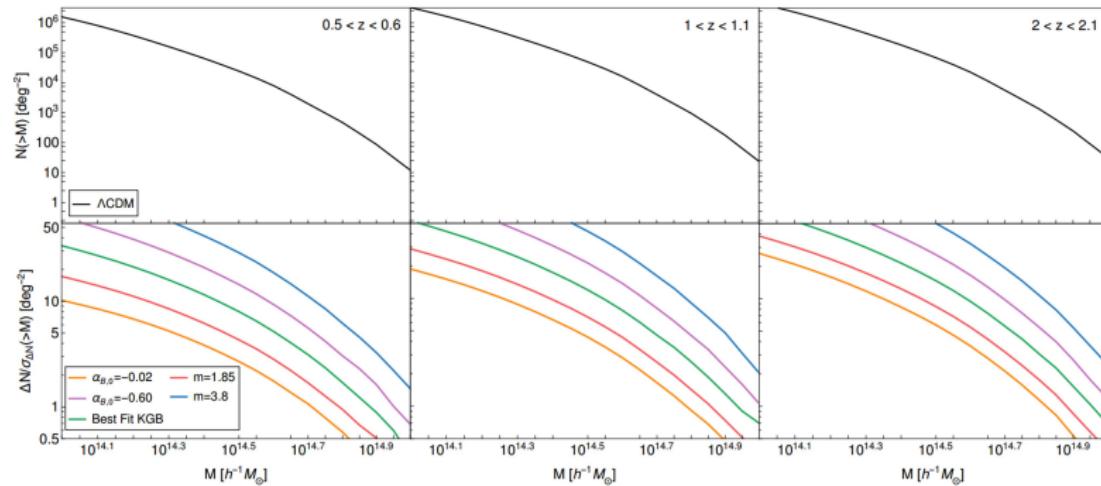
Linearly extrapolated overdensity



Virial overdensity



Halo number counts



Conclusions

- Structures grow differently from standard scenario
- This is true both at linear and nonlinear perturbations
- The Vainshtein mechanism is such that KGB models satisfy solar system constraints
- Differences are clearly observable in the halo mass function
- Future work
 - study lensing effects
 - application to voids

