

Tracking the validity of the quasi-static and sub-horizon approximations in modified gravity

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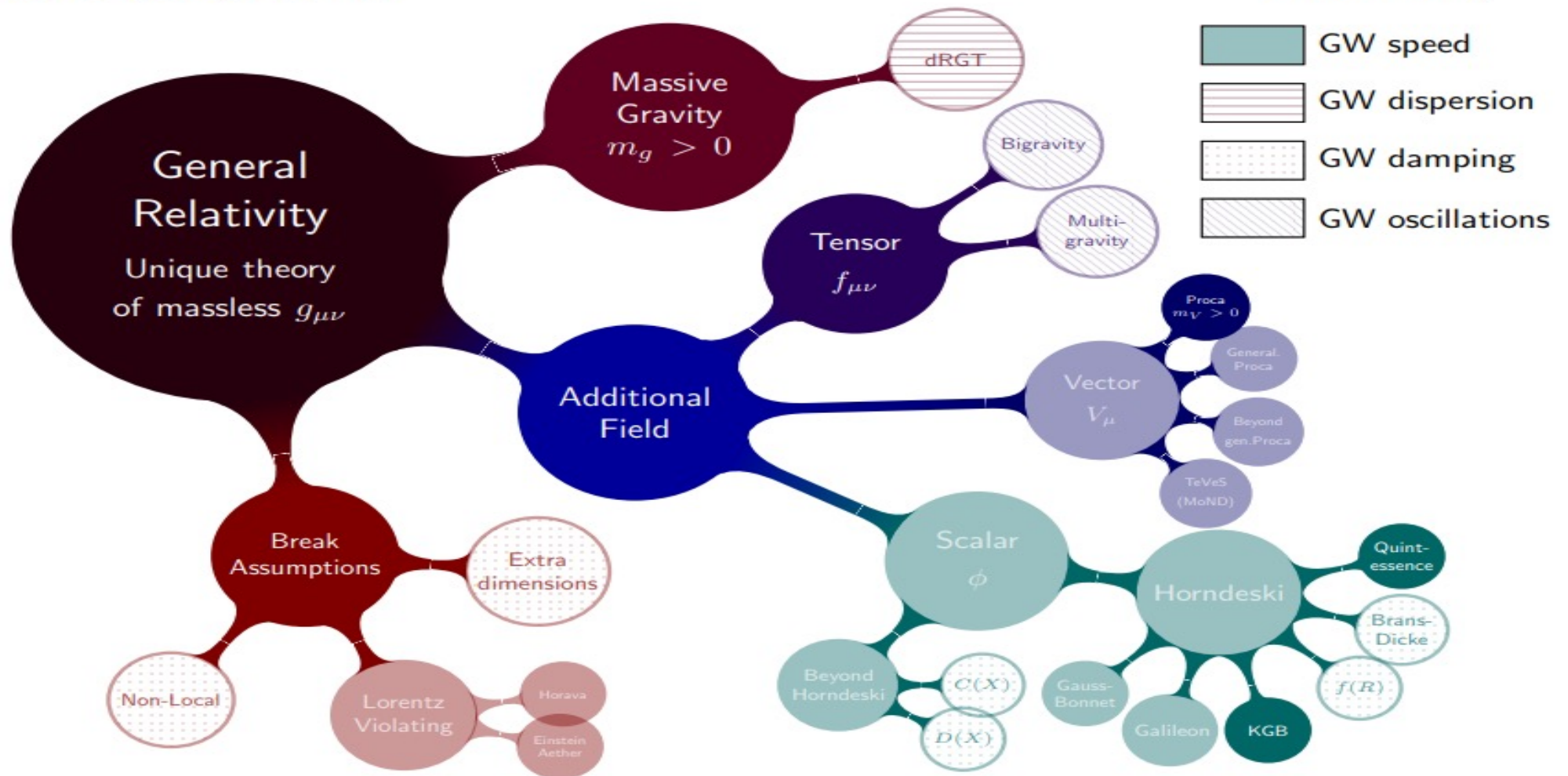
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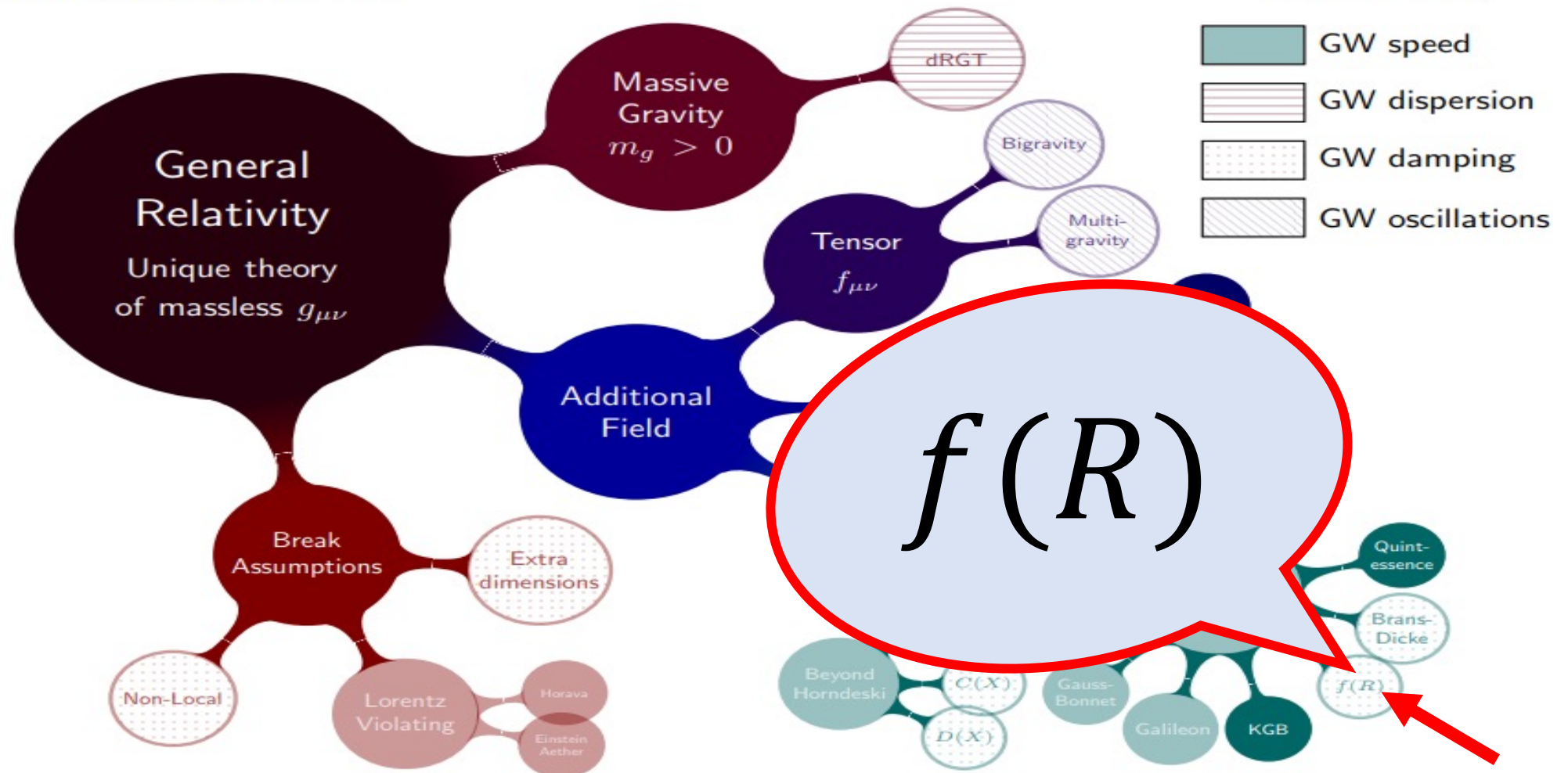
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Modified Gravity \leftrightarrow Dark Energy

MG here

$$\mathcal{G}_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} T_{\mu\nu}^{(m)}$$



$$G_{\mu\nu} = \kappa \left(T_{\mu\nu}^{(m)} + T_{\mu\nu}^{(DE)} \right)$$

DE here

DE Tensor:

$$\kappa T_{\mu\nu}^{(DE)} = G_{\mu\nu} - 2\kappa \mathcal{G}_{\mu\nu}$$

Dark Energy
Density and Pressure:


$$\rho_{DE}, P_{DE}$$

DE Perturbations:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta\rho_{DE} &= (\dots)\dot{\Psi} + (\dots)\dot{\Phi} + (\dots)\Psi + (\dots)\Phi + (\dots)\text{Other Fields}, \\ \delta P_{DE} &= (\dots)\ddot{\Psi} + (\dots)\ddot{\Phi} + (\dots)\dot{\Psi} + (\dots)\dot{\Phi} + (\dots)\Psi + (\dots)\Phi + (\dots)\text{Other Fields}, \\ V_{DE} &= (\dots)\dot{\Psi} + (\dots)\dot{\Phi} + (\dots)\Psi + (\dots)\Phi + (\dots)\text{Other Fields}, \end{aligned}$$

$f(R)$ Theories

$$\kappa T_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{DE})} = (1 - F) G_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} (f - FR) g_{\mu\nu} - (g_{\mu\nu} \square - \nabla_{\mu} \nabla_{\nu}) F.$$


$$\begin{aligned}\kappa \bar{\rho}_{\text{DE}} &= -\frac{f}{2} + 3H^2 (1 + F) + 3F\dot{H} - 3H\dot{F}, \\ \kappa \bar{P}_{\text{DE}} &= \frac{f}{2} - 3H^2 (1 + F) - \dot{H} (2 + F) + 2H\dot{F} + \ddot{F},\end{aligned}$$

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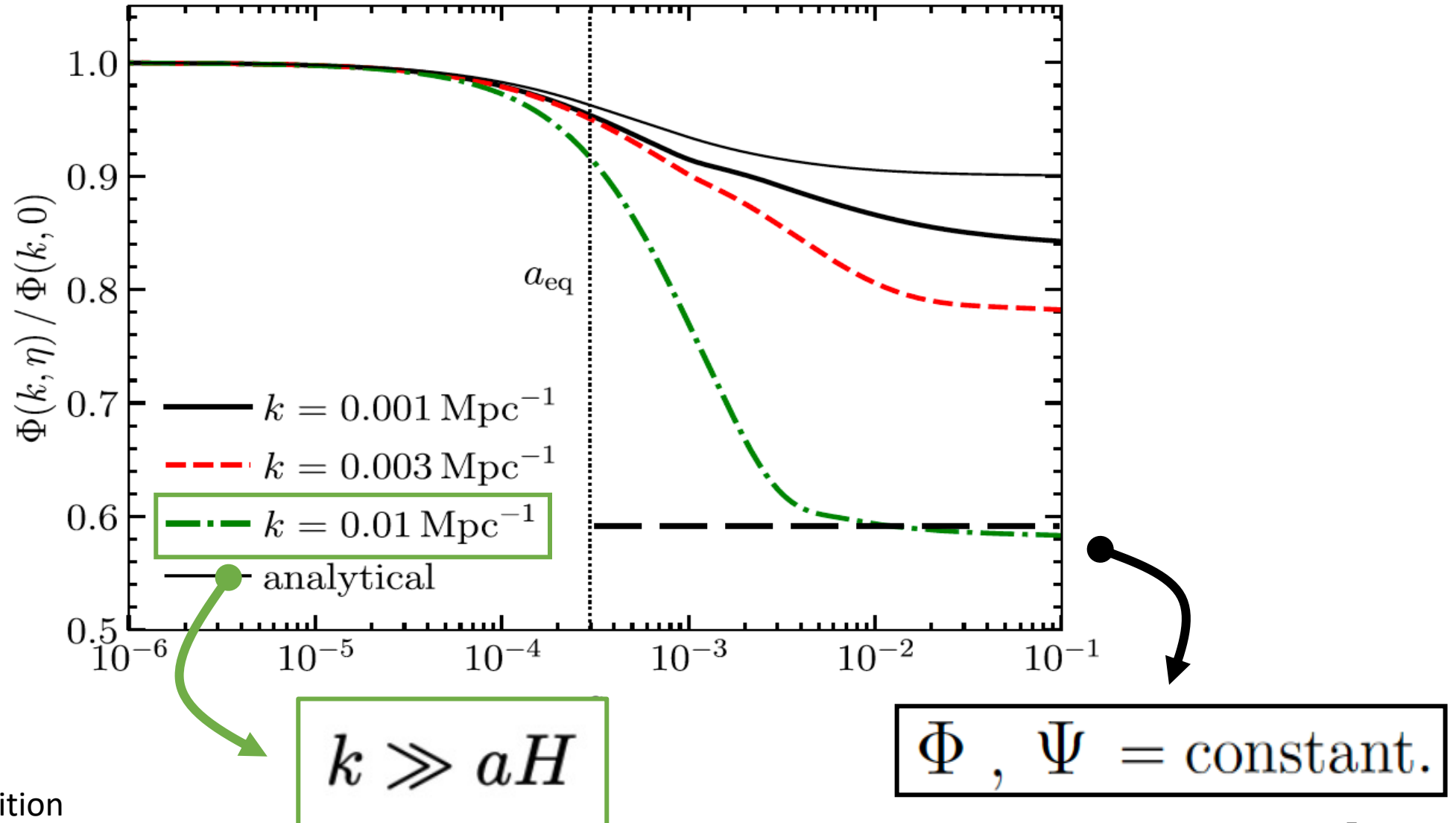
$$\kappa \delta \rho_{\text{DE}} = W_1 \dot{\Phi} + W_2 \dot{\Psi} + \left(W_3 + W_4 \frac{k^2}{a^2} \right) \Phi + \left(W_5 + W_6 \frac{k^2}{a^2} \right) \Psi,$$

$$\kappa \delta P_{\text{DE}} = Y_1 \ddot{\Phi} + Y_2 \ddot{\Psi} + Y_3 \dot{\Phi} + Y_4 \dot{\Psi} + \left(Y_5 + Y_6 \frac{k^2}{a^2} \right) \Phi + \left(Y_7 + Y_8 \frac{k^2}{a^2} \right) \Psi,$$

$$\frac{a \kappa \bar{\rho}_{\text{DE}}}{k^2} V_{\text{DE}} = Z_1 \dot{\Phi} + Z_2 \dot{\Psi} + Z_3 \Phi + Z_4 \Psi,$$

$$\kappa \bar{\rho}_{\text{DE}} \pi_{\text{DE}} = -\frac{k^2}{a^2} (\Phi + \Psi),$$

Quasi-Static and Sub-Horizon Approximations



- Dodelson 2nd Edition

Standard Procedure

Applying
QSA-SHA:

$$\delta R = \cancel{6\ddot{\Phi}} + \cancel{24H\dot{\Phi}} - \cancel{6H\dot{\Psi}} + 4\frac{k^2}{a^2}\Phi + \left(2\frac{k^2}{a^2} - 12\dot{H} + 24H^2\right)\Psi$$

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$$\frac{\delta P_{\text{DE}}}{\bar{\rho}_{\text{DE}}} = \frac{1}{3F} \frac{2\frac{k^4}{a^4}F_R + 15\frac{k^2}{a^2}F_R\ddot{F} + 3F\ddot{F}}{3\frac{k^2}{a^2}F_R + F} \frac{\bar{\rho}_m}{\bar{\rho}_{\text{DE}}} \delta_m,$$

$$V_{\text{DE}} = \frac{a\dot{F}}{2F} \frac{F + 6\frac{k^2}{a^2}F_R}{3\frac{k^2}{a^2}F_R + F} \frac{\bar{\rho}_m}{\bar{\rho}_{\text{DE}}} \delta_m.$$

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$$\boxed{\dot{F} = F_R \dot{R}} \quad \curvearrowright \quad \boxed{R = 6(\dot{H} + 2H^2)}, \quad \curvearrowright \quad \boxed{\dot{F} \approx 0,}$$

$$\frac{\delta P_{\text{DE}}}{\bar{\rho}_{\text{DE}}} \approx \frac{1}{3F} \frac{2\frac{k^2}{a^2} F_R}{3\frac{k^2}{a^2} F_R + F} \frac{\bar{\rho}_m}{\bar{\rho}_{\text{DE}}} \delta_m, \quad V_{\text{DE}} \approx 0.$$

Where is the mistake here?

Tracking the Accuracy of the QSA and the SHA

“Slow-Roll”
Parameters:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{llll} \varepsilon \equiv \frac{aH}{k}, & \delta \equiv \frac{\dot{\varepsilon}}{\varepsilon H}, & \xi \equiv \frac{\ddot{\varepsilon}}{\varepsilon H^2}, & \chi \equiv \frac{\dddot{\varepsilon}}{\varepsilon H^3}, \\ \varepsilon_{\Phi} \equiv \frac{\dot{\Phi}}{\Phi H}, & \varepsilon_{\Psi} \equiv \frac{\dot{\Psi}}{\Psi H}, & \chi_{\Phi} \equiv \frac{\dot{\varepsilon}_{\Phi}}{\varepsilon_{\Phi} H}, & \chi_{\Psi} \equiv \frac{\dot{\varepsilon}_{\Psi}}{\varepsilon_{\Psi} H}. \end{array} \right.$$

SHA:

$$k \gg aH$$



$$\varepsilon \ll 1,$$

QSA:

$$\dot{\Phi} \sim \dot{\Psi} \approx 0$$



$$\varepsilon_{\Phi} \sim \varepsilon_{\Psi} \ll 1.$$

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$$\stackrel{\text{QSA}}{=} \left(4\frac{k^2}{a^2} + (24H^2 + 6\dot{H})\varepsilon_{\Phi} + 3H^2\varepsilon_{\Phi}^2 + 3H^2\varepsilon_{\Phi}\chi_{\Phi}\right)\Phi + \left(2\frac{k^2}{a^2} - 24H^2 - 12\dot{H} - 6H^2\varepsilon_{\Psi}\right)\Psi,$$

$$\stackrel{\text{SHA}}{=} \left(4 + 6\varepsilon^2[\varepsilon_{\Phi}\{3 + \delta\} + \varepsilon_{\Phi}^2 + \varepsilon_{\Phi}\chi_{\Phi}]\right)\frac{k^2}{a^2}\Phi + \left(2 - 6\varepsilon^2[2 + 2\delta + \varepsilon_{\Psi}]\right)\frac{k^2}{a^2}\Psi.$$

2nd Order in SHA – 0th Order in QSA

$$\frac{k^2}{a^2} \Phi = \frac{F + 2\frac{k^2}{a^2} F_R}{2F^2 + 6\frac{k^2}{a^2} F F_R} \kappa \bar{\rho}_m \delta_m \quad \leftarrow \text{Deepest modes}$$

$$+ \frac{3\kappa \bar{\rho}_m \delta_m \varepsilon^2}{2F \left(F + 3\frac{k^2}{a^2} F_R \right)^2} \left\{ F^2 + \frac{k^2}{a^2} (\delta + 8) F F_R + 2\frac{k^4}{a^4} (3\delta + 8) F_R^2 \right\},$$

$$\frac{k^2}{a^2} \Psi = -\frac{F + 4\frac{k^2}{a^2} F_R}{2F^2 + 6\frac{k^2}{a^2} F F_R} \kappa \bar{\rho}_m \delta_m \quad \leftarrow \text{2nd order}$$

$$+ \frac{3\kappa \bar{\rho}_m \delta_m \varepsilon^2}{2F \left(F + 3\frac{k^2}{a^2} F_R \right)^2} \left\{ F^2 - \frac{k^2}{a^2} (3\delta - 6) F F_R - 2\frac{k^4}{a^4} (6\delta - 4) F_R^2 \right\}.$$

$$\delta_{\text{DE}} = \frac{(1 - F)F + \frac{k^2}{a^2}(2 - 3F)F_R}{F(F + 3\frac{k^2}{a^2}F_R)} \frac{\bar{\rho}_m}{\bar{\rho}_{\text{DE}}} \delta_m$$

$$- \frac{3\frac{k^2}{a^2}F_R \varepsilon^2}{F(F + 3\frac{k^2}{a^2}F_R)^2} \left\{ (\delta + 1)F + 2\frac{k^2}{a^2}(3\delta + 2)F_R \right\} \frac{\bar{\rho}_m}{\bar{\rho}_{\text{DE}}} \delta_m,$$

$$\frac{\delta P_{\text{DE}}}{\bar{\rho}_{\text{DE}}} = \frac{1}{3F} \frac{2\frac{k^2}{a^2}F_R}{3\frac{k^2}{a^2}F_R + F} \frac{\bar{\rho}_m}{\bar{\rho}_{\text{DE}}} \delta_m + \frac{3\frac{\bar{\rho}_m}{\bar{\rho}_{\text{DE}}} \delta_m \varepsilon^2}{F(F + 3\frac{k^2}{a^2}F_R)^2} \left\{ F^2(F - 1)(1 + 2\delta) \right.$$

$$\left. + \frac{k^2}{a^2}(5F - 10\delta + 13F\delta - 5)FF_R + \frac{k^4}{a^4}(6F - 6\delta + 21F\delta - 4)F_R^2 \right\},$$

$$V_{\text{DE}} = \frac{a}{F(F + 3\frac{k^2}{a^2}F_R)} \left\{ F(F - 1) + \frac{k^2}{a^2}(3F - 4)F_R \right\} \frac{\bar{\rho}_m}{\bar{\rho}_{\text{DE}}} \delta_m \frac{k}{a} \varepsilon,$$

$$\pi_{\text{DE}} = \frac{\frac{k^2}{a^2}F_R}{F^2 + 3\frac{k^2}{a^2}FF_R} \frac{\bar{\rho}_m}{\bar{\rho}_{\text{DE}}} \delta_m + \frac{3F_R \frac{\bar{\rho}_m}{\bar{\rho}_{\text{DE}}} \delta_m \frac{k^2}{a^2} \varepsilon^2}{F(F + 3\frac{k^2}{a^2}F_R)^2} \left\{ F(1 + 2\delta) + \frac{k^2}{a^2}F_R(4 + 9\delta) \right\}.$$

Specific Models

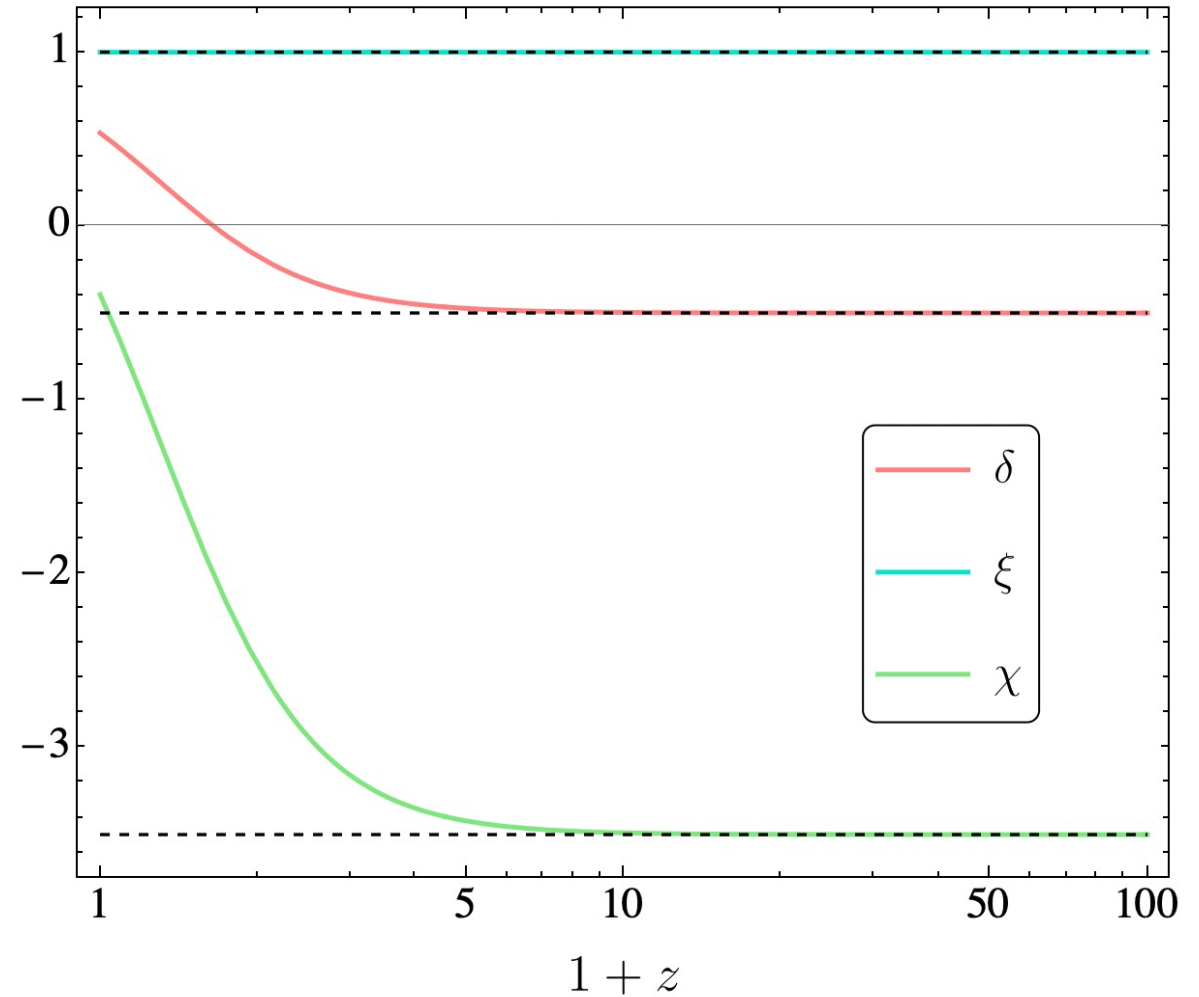
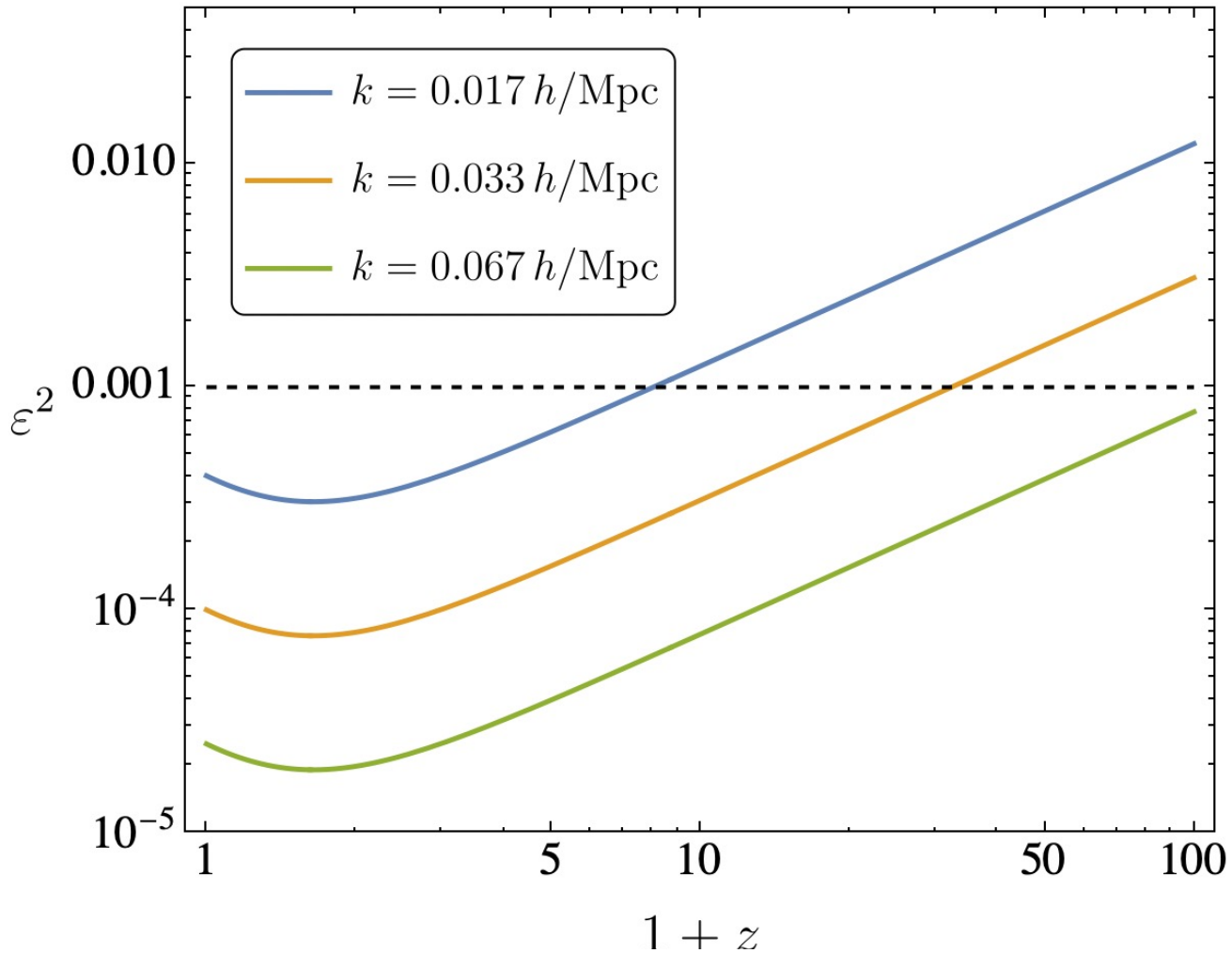
f DES:

$$f(R) = R - 2\Lambda + \alpha H_0^2 \left(\frac{\Lambda}{R - 3\Lambda} \right)^{c_0} {}_2F_1 \left(c_0, \frac{3}{2} + c_0, \frac{13}{6} + 2c_0, \frac{\Lambda}{R - 3\Lambda} \right),$$

Hu-Sawicki:

$$f(R) = R - \frac{2\Lambda}{1 + \left(\frac{b\Lambda}{R} \right)^n},$$

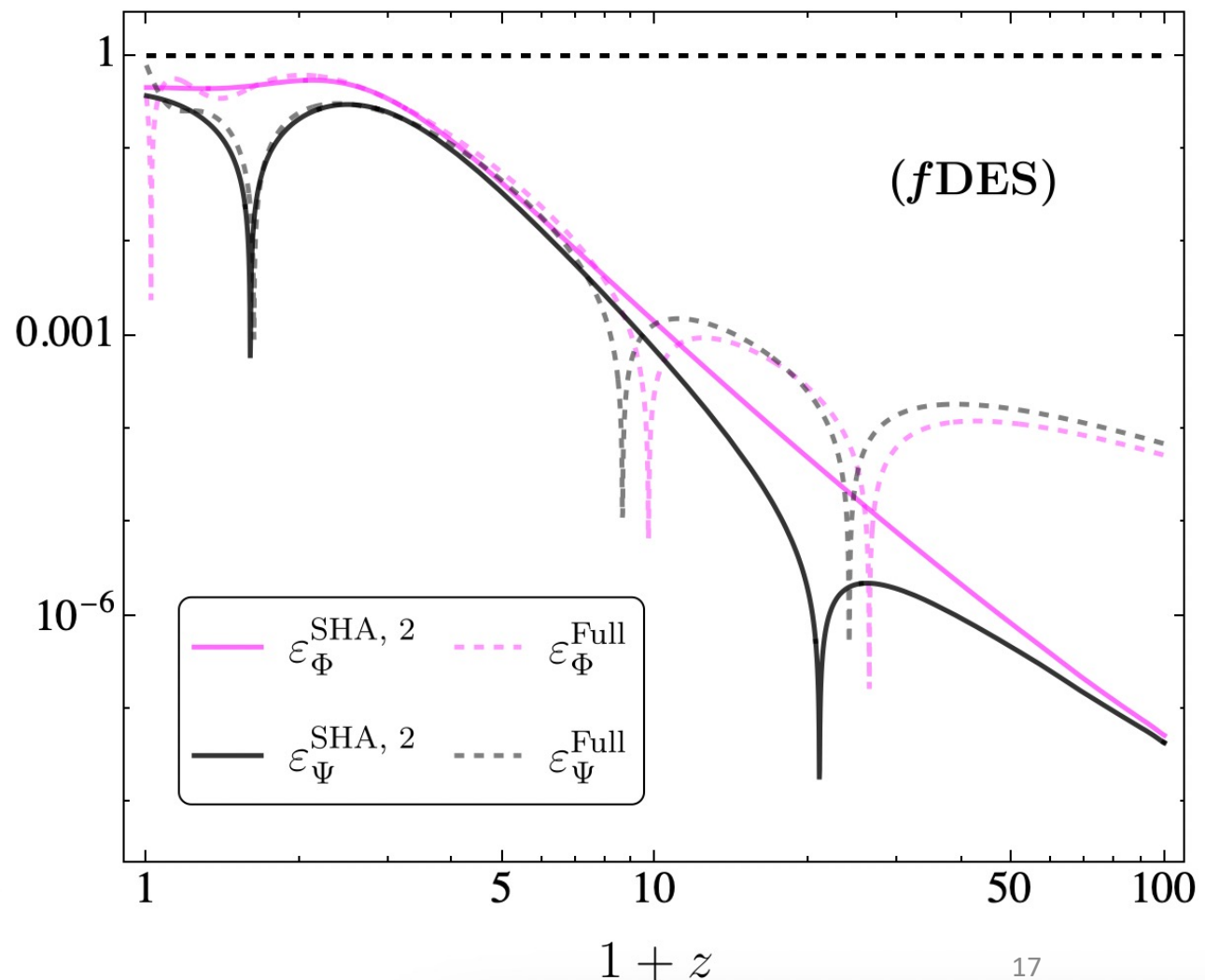
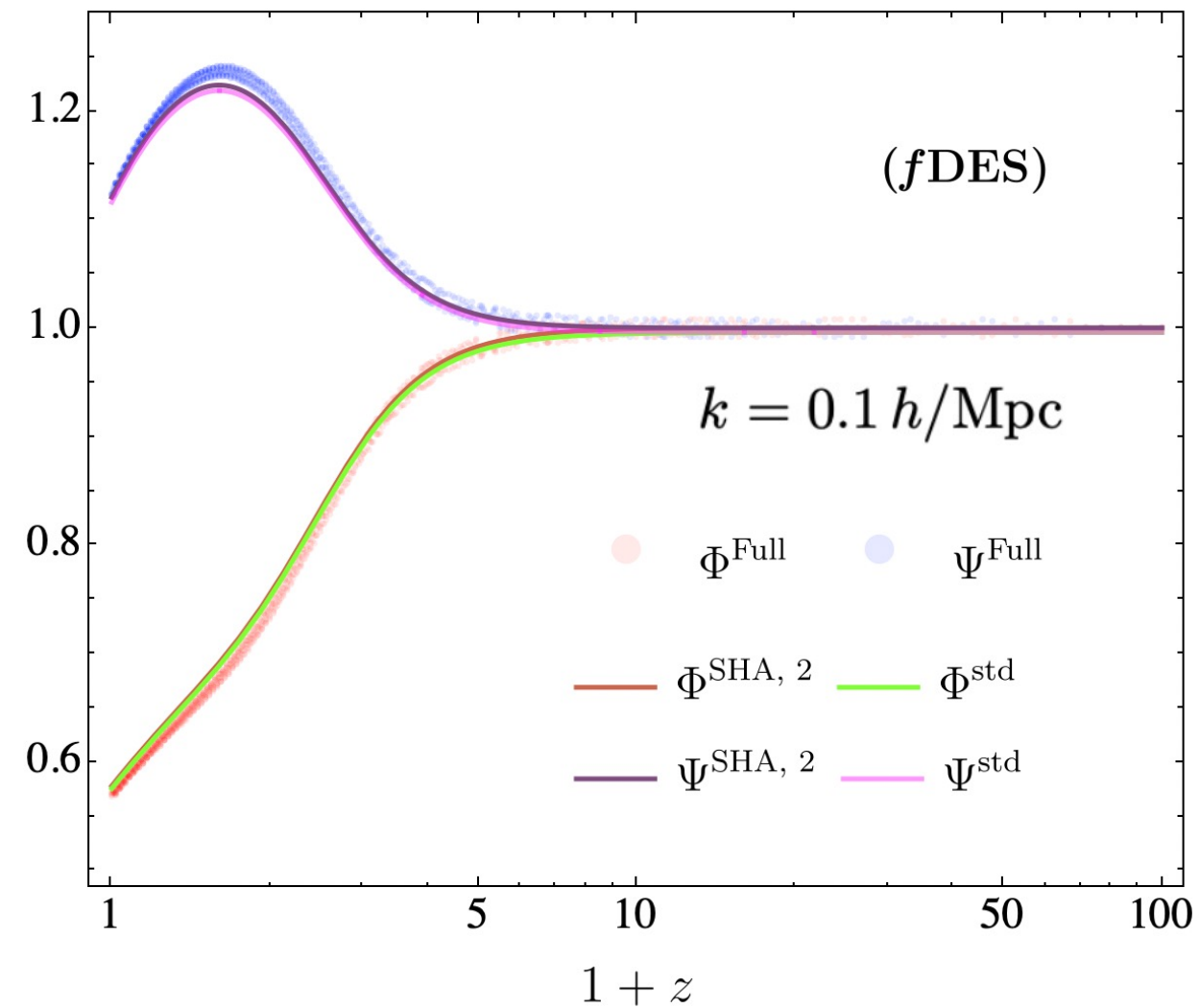
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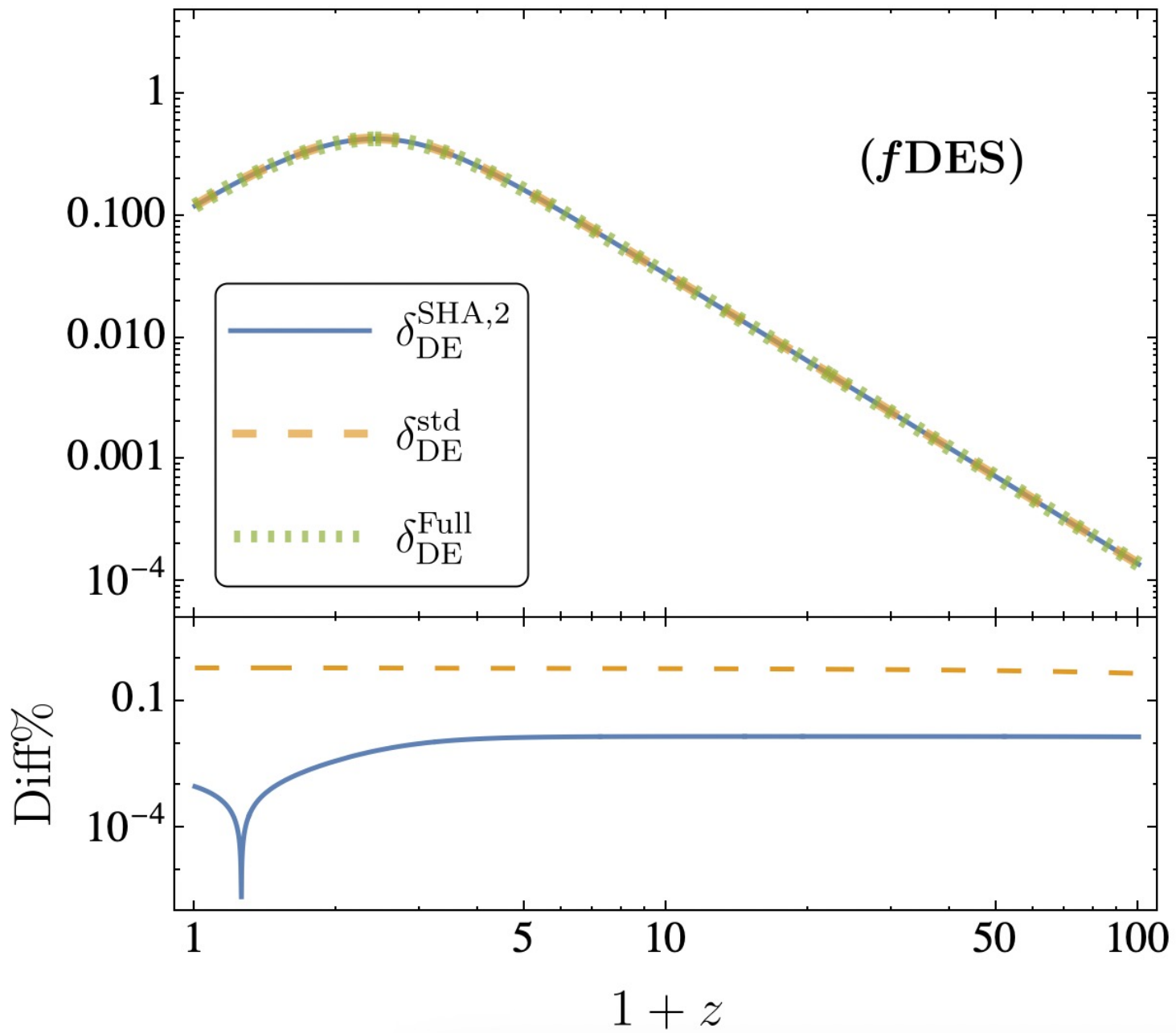


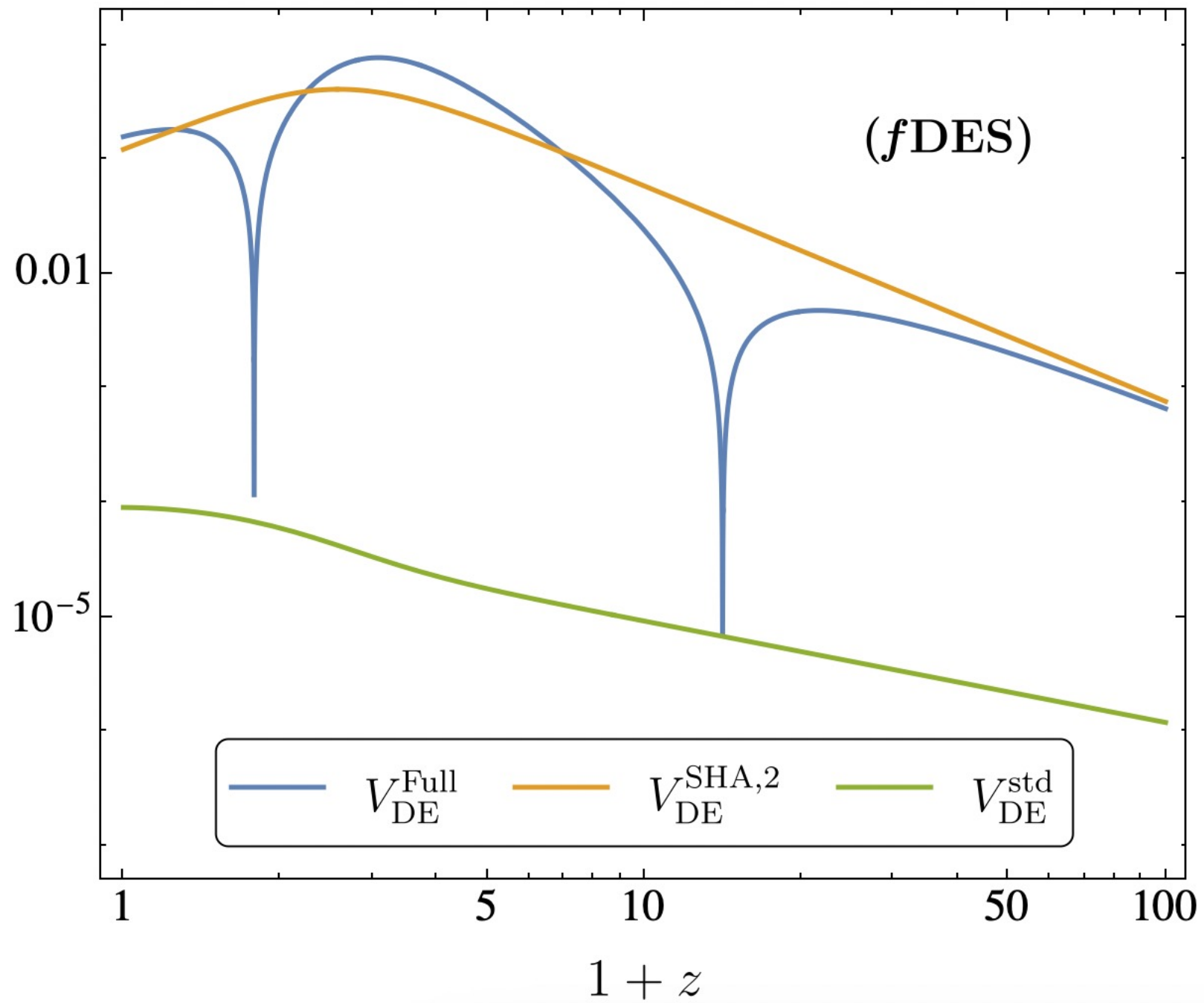
• Nojiri, Odintsov: [0608008](#)

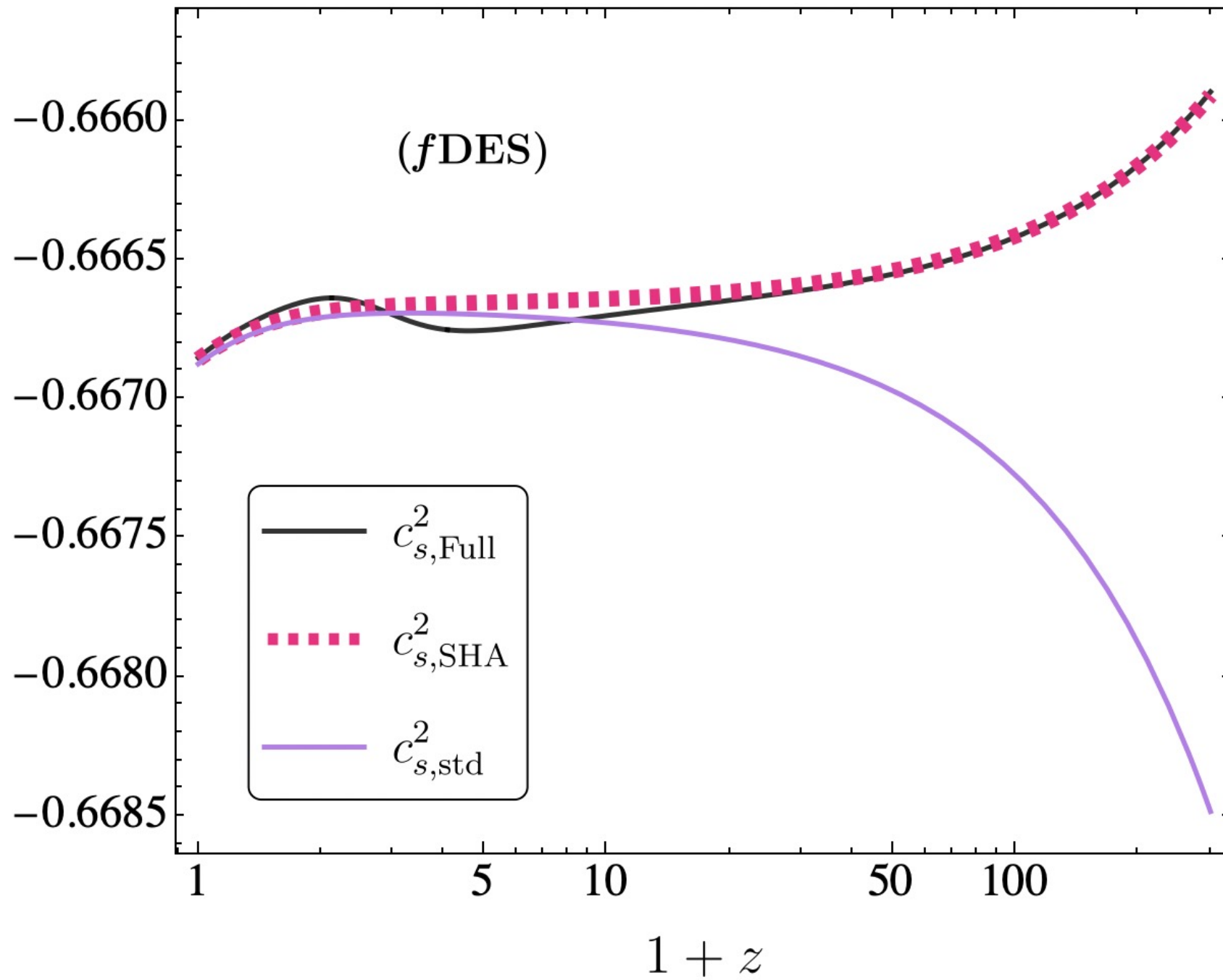
• Hu, Sawicki: [0708.1190](#)

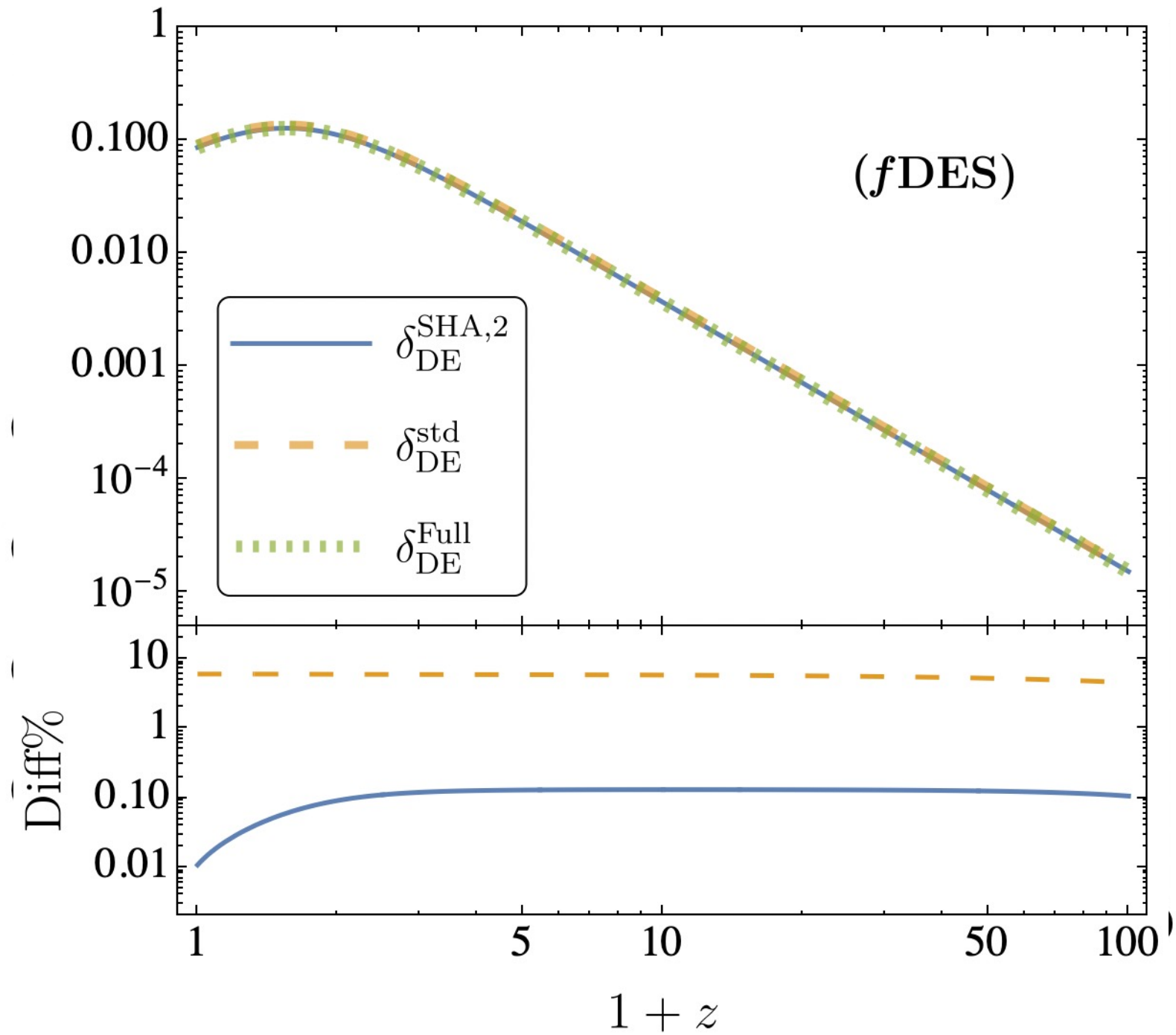
Comparison with Numerical Solutions

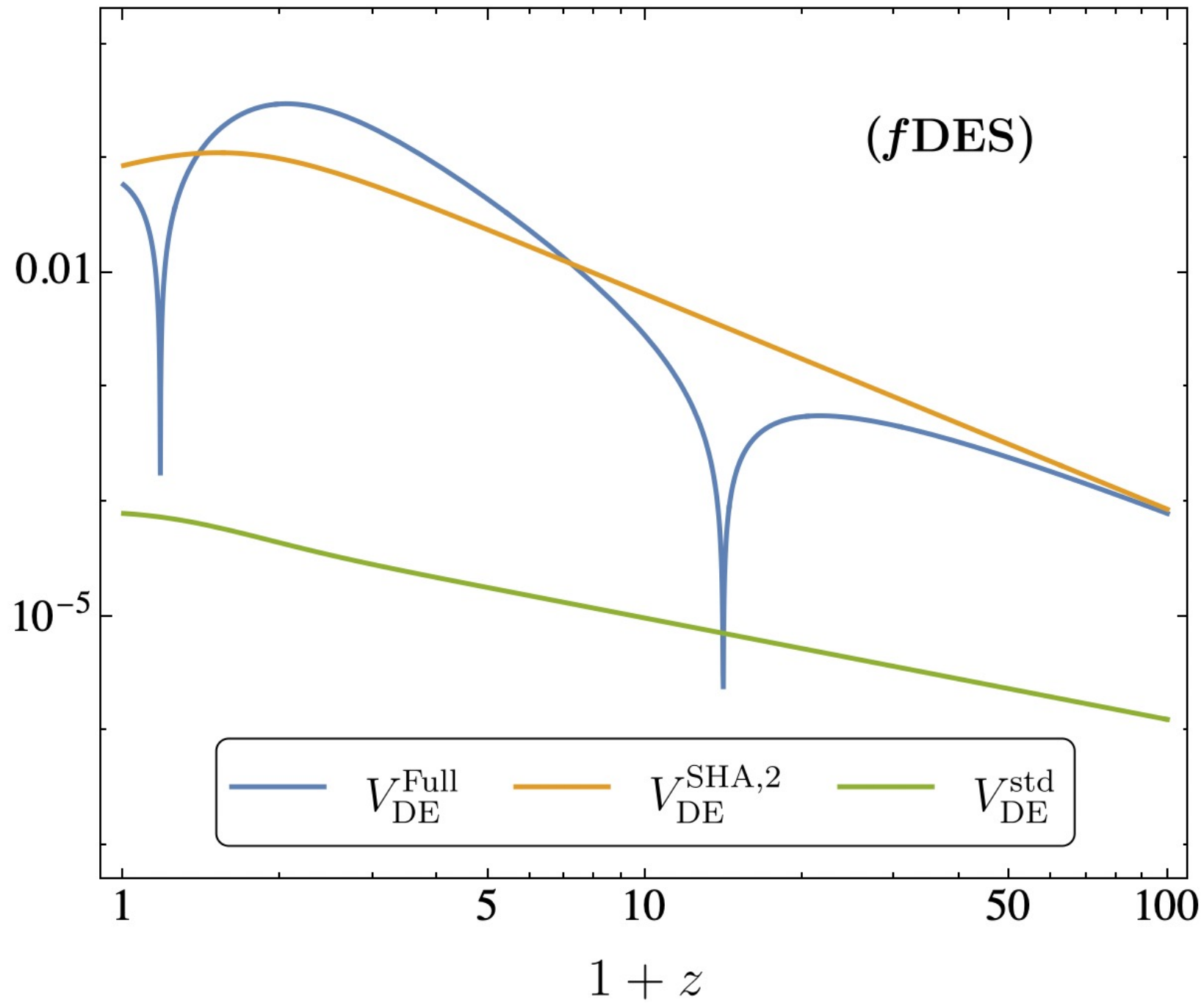


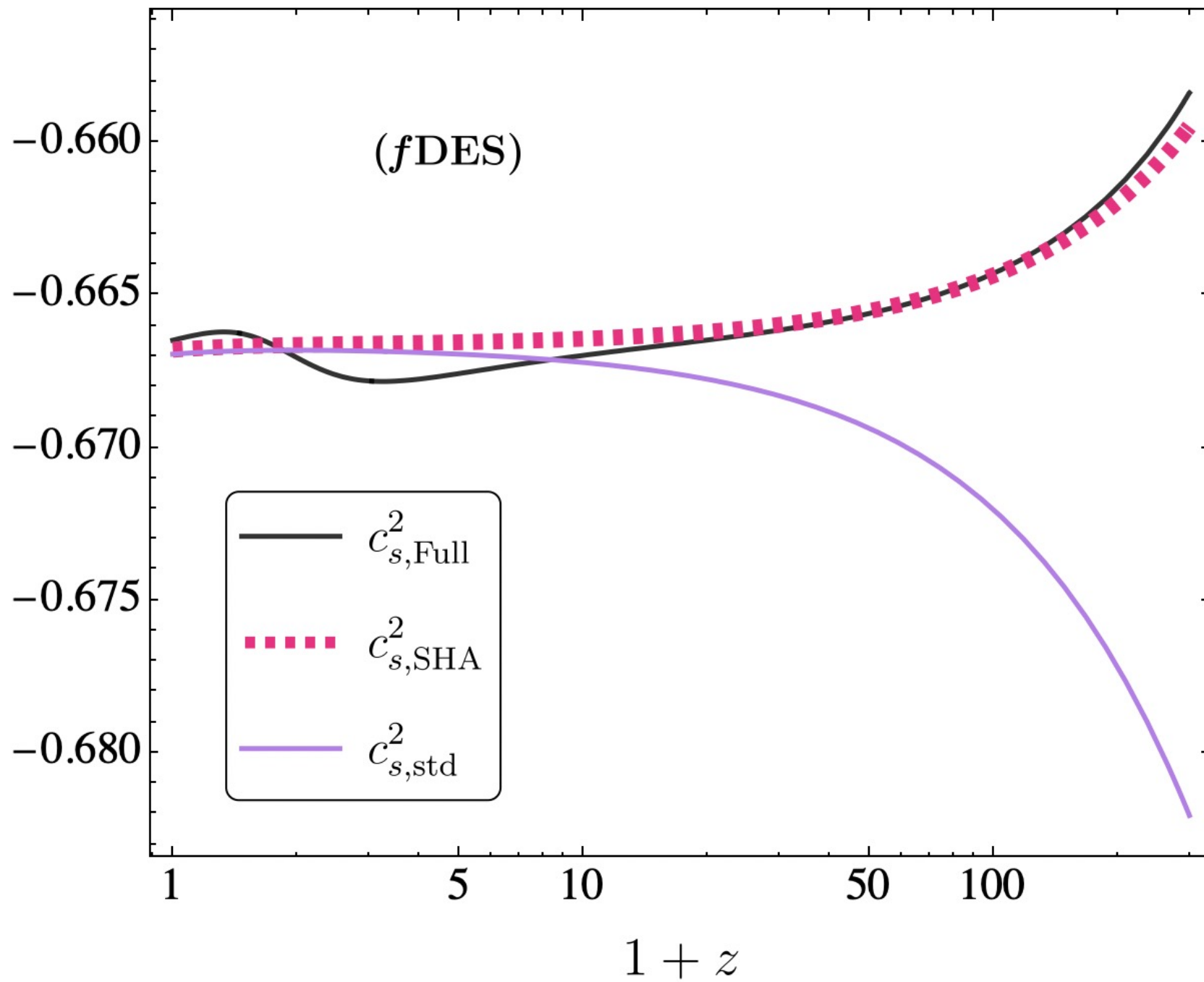


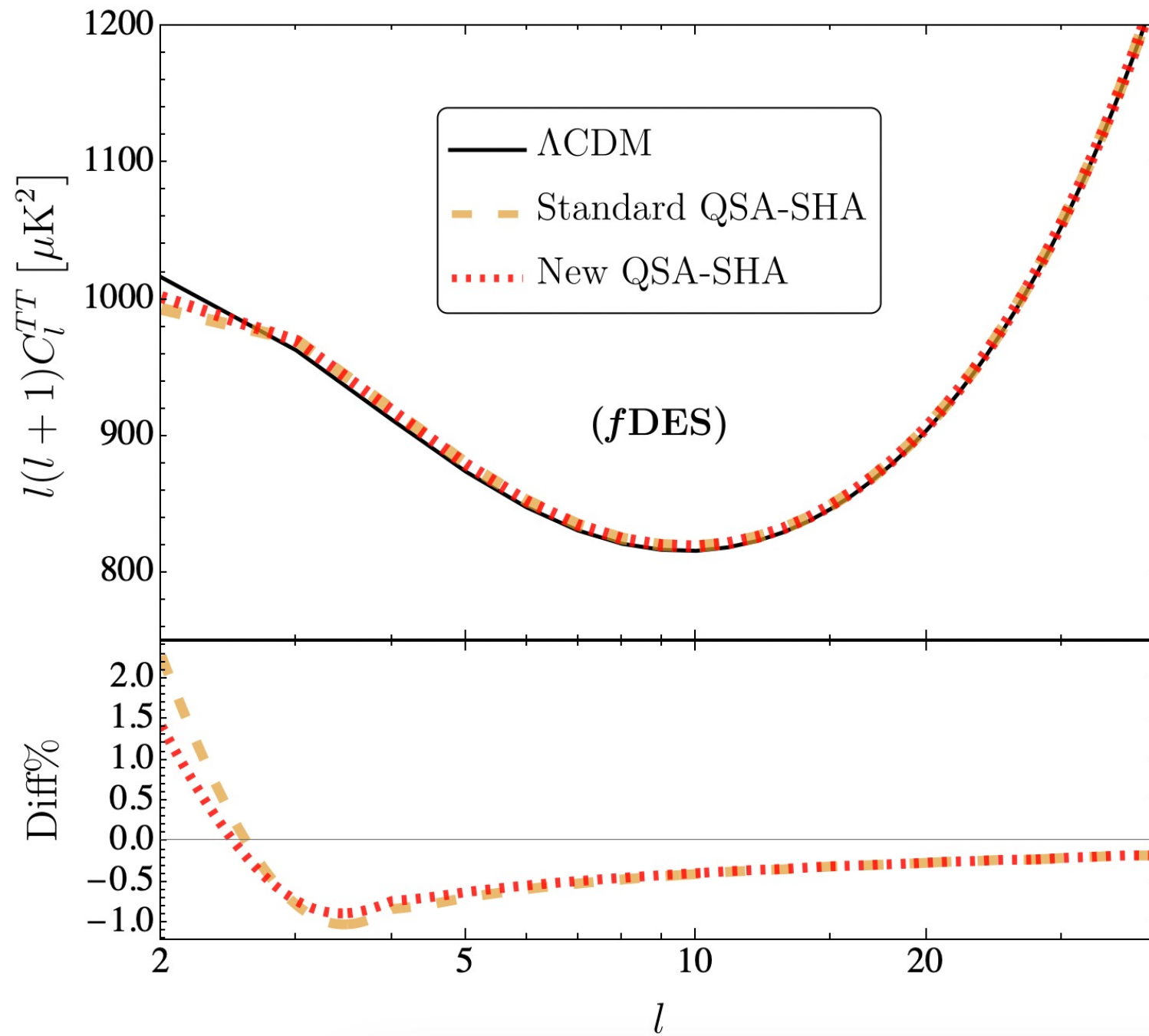


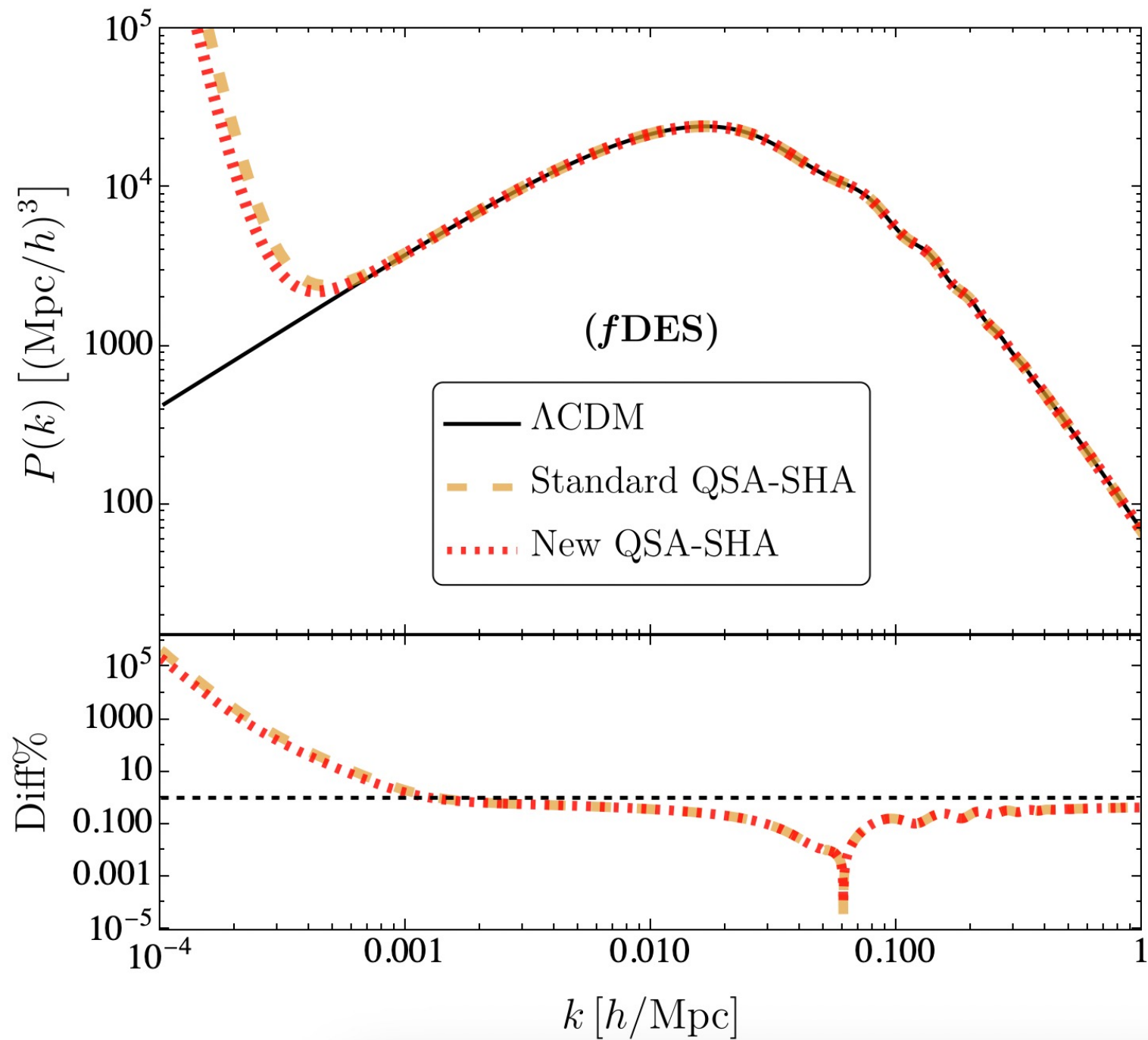








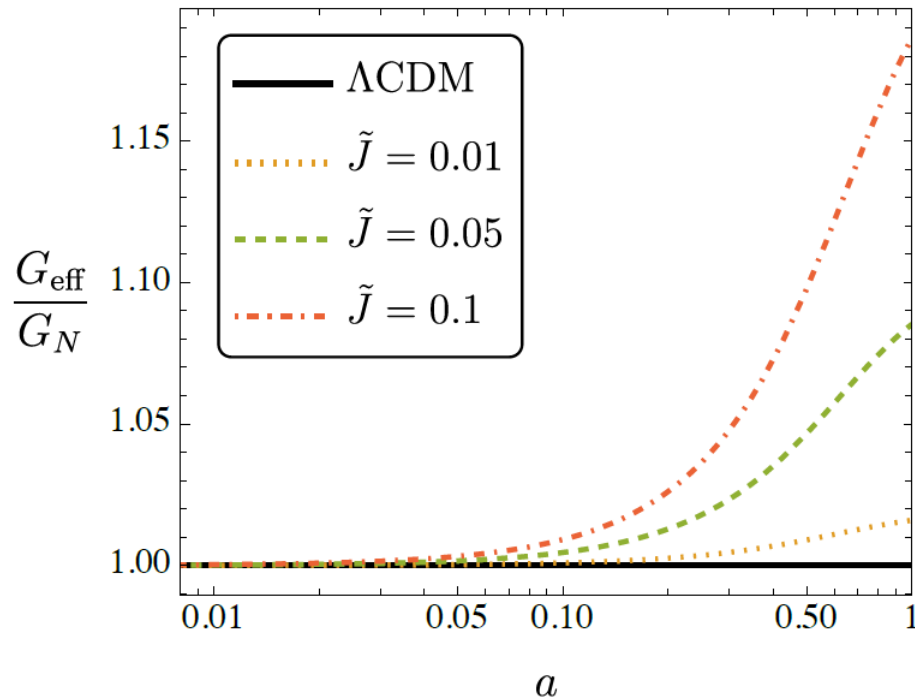




Preliminary Results: Designer Horndeski

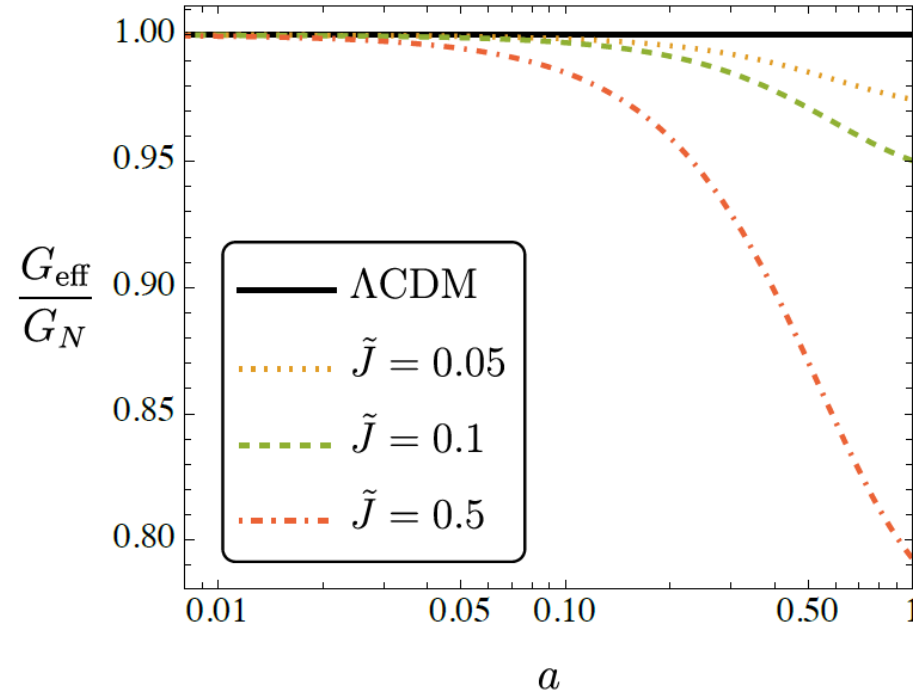
Standard

$$G_{\text{eff}}/G_N = 1 + \frac{\sqrt{2}\tilde{J}_c}{3\Omega_{m,0}H(a)/H_0}$$



Non-Standard

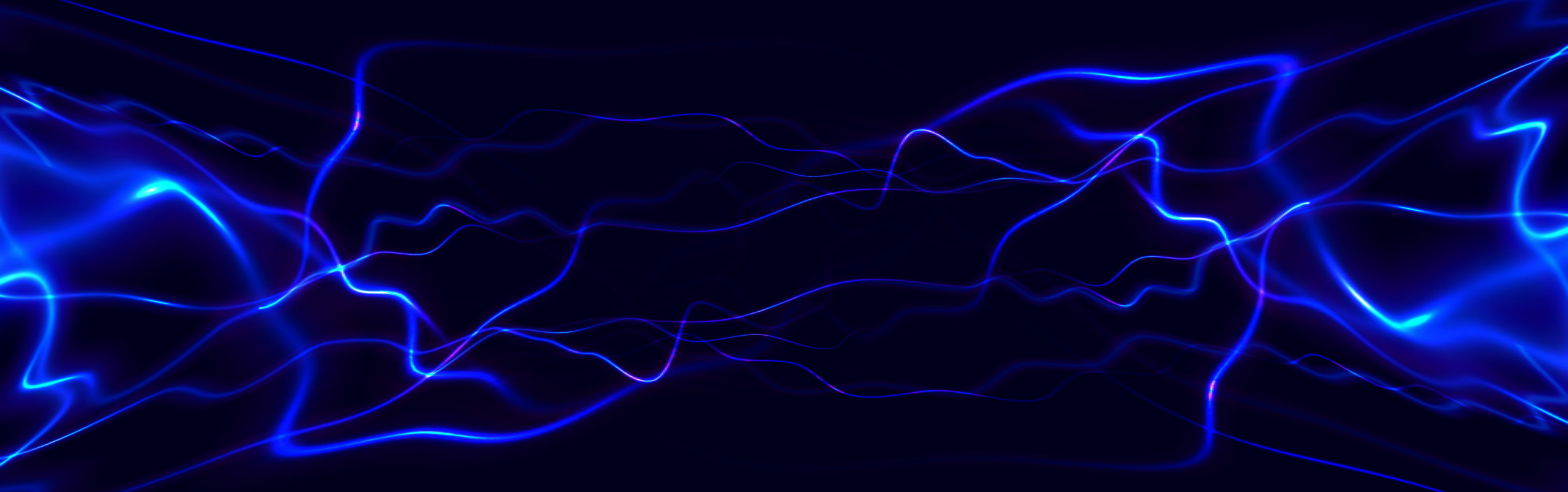
$$G_{\text{eff}}/G_N = 1 - \frac{\sqrt{2}\tilde{J}_c}{9\Omega_{m,0}H(a)/H_0}$$



- Arjona, Cardona, Nesseris: [1904.06294](https://arxiv.org/abs/1904.06294)

Take-Home Points

- Novel parameterization to make transparent the QSA-SHA.
- Some terms are neglected in the standard approach → What are their relevance?
- No much improvement for viable $f(R)$ theories → What about other MG theories?
- Changes could be dramatic in general → See “Preliminary results”.
- Further details: 2303.14251 (Orjuela-Quintana & Nesseris)... Soonly available in JCAP.



Thank you!

