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The bulk flow in $\ddot{\Lambda}$ CDM and XCDM and the Hubble constant and σ_8 tensions

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Abstract

The standard model of cosmology, Λ CDM, has been successful in describing many observations. With the improvement of the number and the accuracy of observations, some inconsistencies among key cosmological parameters of the model have emerged. Many alternative models are proposed to alleviate these tensions. On the other hand, some observations of peculiar velocity show higher values than expected in a Λ CDM universe which may contradict the cosmological principle. In this work, we used linear perturbation theory to measure bulk flow and $f\sigma_8$ parameter in two alternative cosmological models $\ddot{\Lambda}$ CDM and XCDM. We compared measured bulk flows with the Λ CDM predictions and some observations. We did a χ^2 analysis to see which model is preferred by data. We find that $\ddot{\Lambda}$ CDM model predicts higher bulk flows and is more consistent with observational data but does not reduce σ_8 tension. Bulk flows measured in the XCDM model are lower compared to Λ CDM. However, this model can reconcile σ_8 tension.

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