# Cosmology at WST

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# Wide-field Spectroscopic Telescope (WST)





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#### History and current status

- Consortium created in 2021 in the context of the EU Horizon infrastructure concept call
- Resubmission of a proposal to Horizon 2024 with success
- Preparation of preliminary design (2025-2028)
- Not an ESO project yet
- But fully supported by ESO community
- First light: ~2040





### Timeline for the EU Horizon Grant



#### Preparing the ESO call for project after ELT

- Three year project  $\Rightarrow$  Full design of WST (telescope and instruments)
- Perfectly in line with ESO call





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### Science with WST – Four main topics



- Cosmology: mainly LSS for z>2
- Extragalactic: Cosmic web and its time evolution
- Galactic: Origin of elements
- Time domain: Gravitational waves with EM counterpart



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### Key numbers for a cosmological program



#### **Telescope:**

- 12m
- Cassegrain focus
- Segmented mirror
  MOS:
- ~20000 positioners
- LR spectrograph
  - R~3000-4000
  - Δλ: 370-970 nm

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- Integral field spectrograph
- 3x3 arcmin<sup>2</sup>

### **Progress in Spectroscopic Surveys**



- Exponential increase in the number of redshifts
- 50,000 LRGs in SDSS-I (2005), 40M redshifts in DESI (2025)
- Mean slope: a factor ~8 in the number of redshifts every 10 years

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Increase in redshift range: SDSS-I (z<0.5) Stage V (z>2)



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## Motivations for Stage V projects

#### Science case in LSS for stage V

- H<sub>0</sub> tension: Early Dark Energy
- Dynamical EoS of Dark Energy
- S8 tension: Growth of the structures
- Inflation: Scale dependence of bias, bi-spectrum
- Neutrino masses

#### Future spectroscopic surveys require mapping 2<z<4.5 (even 2<z<5.5) Universe

- Larger redshift range and therefore volume
- Several projects
  - Spec-S5: twin 6m telescopes with 13,000 robotic positioners
  - MUST: 6.5 telescope with ~20,000 robotic positioners
  - WST: ~12m telescope with ~20,000 robotic positioners
- New-developed technologies  $\rightarrow x10 \text{ modes}$  compared to DESI and Euclid







# Telescopes for cosmology by 2035

| Instrument (year)            | $Primary/m^2$ | Nfiber     | Reflections | Product     | Speed vs SDSS |
|------------------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| SDSS (1999)                  | 3.68          | 640        | $0.9^{2}$   | 1908        | 1.00          |
| BOSS $(2009)$                | 3.68          | 1000       | $0.9^{2}$   | 2980        | 1.56          |
| DESI (2020)                  | 9.5           | 5000       | $0.9^{1}$   | 42,750      | 22.4          |
| PFS (2024)                   | 50            | 2400       | $0.9^{1}$   | $108,\!000$ | 56.6          |
| 4MOST (2024)                 | 12            | 1624       | $0.9^{2}$   | $15,\!800$  | 8.3           |
| MUST (2030)                  | 28            | 20,000     | $0.9^{2}$   | $454,\!000$ | 238           |
| Spec-S5 (Twin DESI) $(2035)$ | $30{	imes}2$  | $13,\!000$ | $0.9^{1}$   | 702000      | 368           |
| MSE (2040)                   | 78            | 3249       | $0.9^{1}$   | $228,\!000$ | 119           |
| WST $(2040)$                 | 105           | $20,\!000$ | $0.9^2$     | 1,701,000   | 891           |

#### How to read the table? FoM?

- Speed = Surface x Number of positioners
- WST is ~2.5 times faster than Spec-S5
- Timescale: Spec-S5~ 2035 / WST ~2040





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# Volume to explore with WST



- A legacy low-z (z<1.6) redshift survey (cluster of galaxies, extragalactic transients, cross-correlation with other surveys (HI and CMB maps, Weak lensing), science of cosmic voids...)
- A z>2 galaxy and quasar survey (Lyman-Break galaxies, LBG and Ly-α Emitter Galaxies, LAE)





# Selection of z>2 galaxies

# Validation with Pilot Surveys

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### LBG selection with u-dropouts



#### **Principles**

- Redshift range: 2<z<3.5</p>
- Use the flux decrement bluewards of the Lyman limit due to HI absorption

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#### – Need a deep u-band: LSST/Rubin In South

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# Future Imaging in South



- LSST-Rubin will be available at the time of WST
- Footprint ~15,000 deg<sup>2</sup>

- Depth (10 years), u: 26.1, g: 27.4, r: 27.5, i: 26.8, z: 26.1, y: 24.1

Proof of principle with DESI and with CLAUDS imaging





### Deep u-band imaging with CLAUDS for pilot survey



#### **Strategy**

 $[u^*, u]$ -band depth  $(5\sigma/2'')$ 

- u-dropout with CLAUDS in COSMOS and XMM fields
- Ultra-deep u-bands: u-depth better than ~27-27.5
- The depth is sufficient to validate the imaging that will be available for future spectroscopic surveys (Spec-S5, WST,....)





## Pilot survey with DESI



- 15000 LBG Targets observed with DESI
- Two observed fields (COSMOS and XMM)
- Exposure time: from 2 hours to 5 hours
- Results in two papers:
  - Ruhlmann-Kleider V. et al., arXiv:2404.03569 (validation of u/g dropout)
  - Payerne C. et al., arXiv:2410.08062 (u dropout with CFIS)



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# **Redshift and Efficiencies**



- Excellent agreement between photo-z and spectro redshifts
- Total efficiency >70% for 2 hours and z>2.8 (<0.5h with 12m Tel.)
- Low efficiency for z<2.5, two possible origins:</li>
  - Lower SNR due to degraded throughput of the instrument in blue
  - Lower fraction of Ly- $\alpha$  emission (galaxy evolution)





# **Clustering with LBGs**





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## g-dropout with HSC and DESI



- Same principle: ugr bands  $\rightarrow$  gri bands
- Spectro-redshift distribution (3.5<z<4.5)
- Efficiency: ~20% with 2 hours and ~35% with 5.5 hours
- For 12m telescope, it will require ~1 hour to get a efficiency at ~50%

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# **Forecast for WST**





# LBG surveys – n(z)



- r-dropout possible with 12m telescope  $\Rightarrow$  Eff=50% for 2 hours

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Overlap with QSOs distribution and CMB lensing kernel

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# Dark Energy and structure growth



#### **Configuration for WST**

- Surface: 15,000 deg<sup>2</sup>
- Redshift range: 2.0<z<5.5
- Exposure time: 0.5h, 1h, 2h
- $\Delta z$  binning: 0.1

DE content: for 2<z<4, almost at cosmic variance limitation</li>

- Measurements up to z=5.5 (matter-dominated era)
- Indirect constraints on EDE models and exotic models





### Testing Inflation with Non-Gaussianity



Description of the primordial potential  $\Phi$ 

 $\Phi = \varphi + f_{NL}.\,(\varphi^2 - <\varphi^2>)$ 

 $\varphi$ : a gaussian random field  $f_{\rm NL}$ : amplitude of the non-Gaussianity

#### **Primordial Non-Gaussianity, a test of inflation**

- Primordial fluctuations distributed almost Gaussian with the simplest slow-roll models f<sub>NL</sub> ~ O(10<sup>-3</sup>)
- But many alternative inflation models predict  $f_{NL} > 1$
- CMB is cosmic variance limited :  $\sigma(f_{NL})$ ~5

#### **3D survey of galaxies**

- Scale dependence of the bias at large scales in power spectrum
- Large volume (optimal for high-z),  $\sigma(f_{NL}) \sim 1$  (better with bi-spectrum)





# **Primordial Non-Gaussianities**

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- Sensitive to inflation models with multi-fields
- Gain by adding r-dropouts:  $\sigma(f_{NL})=1.06 \rightarrow \sigma(f_{NL})=0.86$
- Possible with 12m telescope



### Neutrino masses with cosmology



#### Measurement of neutrinos masses with cosmological neutrinos

- Particles Physics: atmospheric and solar oscillations
- No constraint on absolute masses
- Current constraint by cosmology (<~80meV at 95%)</p>
- > Normal hierarchy favored by cosmology: minimal mass~60 meV
- > With  $\sigma(\Sigma m_{\nu}) \sim 20/15 \text{ meV} \rightarrow \text{Precision better than } 3\sigma/4\sigma$





# Neutrino mass



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### Neutrino mass with future CMB projects



- With LiteBIRD, expected error on  $\sigma(\tau)$ : ~0.02
- Sensitivity on  $\Sigma m_v < 15 \text{ meV}$
- Measurement of  $\Sigma m_v$  better than  $4\sigma$





### **Relativistic Doppler**



- With large amount of galaxies at high-z, galaxy clustering is sensitive to relativistic Doppler effect predicted by GR
- Split in two sub-samples (bright/faint) based on m<sub>s</sub>
- $\rightarrow$  Cross-correlation between the two subsamples
- $4\sigma/5\sigma$  detection of relativistic Doppler with u/g dropouts





### Another Tracer of Matter: Ly- $\alpha$ forest



- We expect low density gas (IGM) to follow the dark matter density
- Compute correlation function between HI 'clouds'
- Measure the location of BAO
- An option: use Ly- $\alpha$  forest of LBGs?



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- For z>2, cross-correlation with LAE and LBG tracers
- Use Ly-α forests of quasars (2.0<z<4.5)</li>
- HI absorption in intergalactic medium (IGM) along the line of sight of quasars



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### Ly- $\alpha$ Forest of QSOs (and LBGs?)



- Compared to DESI with r>24: 60 deg<sup>-2</sup>  $\rightarrow$  150 deg<sup>-2</sup>
- With exposure time ~0.5h: SNR~2-3 per pixel
- Gain in BAO compared to DESI: factor ~2.5
- Warm Dark Matter: 15 QSOs (z>4.0)  $\rightarrow$  >1000 QSOs (z>4.0)





# Ly- $\alpha$ Tomography



- 3D map: use Ly-a forest as tracer of IGM for 2.0<z<3.5
- u-dropouts: 500 to 1000 LoS per deg<sup>2</sup> with LBGs
- 150 LoS per deg<sup>2</sup> with QSOs
- Proto-clusters Science and Voids Science





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### Synergy with the IFU of WST



#### **Integral Field Spectrograph**

- IFS: 3x3 arcmin<sup>2</sup>
- Synergy
  - MOS: Ly- $\alpha$  tomography with LBGs
  - IFS: resolved Ly- $\alpha$  emission





# Conclusions

### Feasibility of a high-z survey with WST

- Validation of both the u-dropout and g-dropout selections for LBGs with DESI
- Provide a realistic scenario in terms of exposure time, target density, redshift success rate and galaxy bias.

### **Forecasts for WST**

- ~8000-10000 targets per sq. deg. with LSST 10 years
- Redshift range with LBGs: 2.0<z<5.5
- With u/g/r dropouts we can break  $\sigma(f_{NI}) \sim 1$  barrier
- Measurement of  $\Sigma m_{\nu}$  better than  $4\sigma$

**Many other topics:** Legacy low-z survey, WDM, Ly- $\alpha$ tomography with Ly- $\alpha$  forest of QSOs and LBGs....





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