

# Cosmic Visions Dark Energy Report

Small Projects Portfolio (arXiv:1802.07216)

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# Components of the Cosmic Visions Program

- DOE HEP Cosmic Frontier program managers assembled three groups to look into future directions of the field
- Groups report regularly to program managers and organize community input

## CMB

Delivered CMB-S4 Science Book, now preparing for the Decadal Survey

arXiv:1610.02743

## Dark Matter

Delivered comprehensive White Paper on direct detection experiments small-scale portfolio

arXiv:1707.04591

## Dark Energy

Delivered two White Papers on Science and Technology in 2016, third on small-scale portfolio

arXiv:1802.07216

# The Charge

- Possible projects beyond LSST and DESI to further our understanding of “dark energy”, *out to 2030+*
  - What can be done to enhance the science outcome from DESI and LSST and prepare for the next projects *now*?
  - Develop near-term small scale project portfolio (~\$10M)
  - Gather input from the community
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# The Process

## Planning

### **Group of Eight**

Identify five broad topics to help structure community workshop

Call for abstracts from the community

Organized abstracts into five categories

## Workshop

### **Community**

Two topic leaders per category organized sessions including talks and discussions

Slack channels and google docs used to capture information

## White Paper

### **Group of Eight with Community Feedback**

After workshop, f2f of group of eight to plan White Paper

First draft was distributed in January for feedback

Final White Paper published in February

# The Roadmap Concepts (2 of 5 categories)

- 21 cm
  - Many opportunities to further P5 science: Dark energy, neutrinos, early Universe physics ...
  - Small-scale opportunities that can be realized now: Build (or join) a small instrument that will enhance LSST/DESI science
  - Technology developments that pave the road to an ambitious experiment to follow LSST/DESI
  - Develop plan for large instrument/survey in 2025+
- “Southern” Spectroscopic Roadmap
  - Opportunities while LSST is on the sky: Spectroscopic follow-up
  - DESI-2 opportunities
  - Technology developments that pave the road to an ambitious experiment to follow LSST/DESI
  - Develop plan for large instrument/survey in 2030+

# Small-scale Ideas (3 of 5 Categories)

- New Technology Developments for the Future
  - Research on technologies for the next big project is essential!
  - New technology developments (e.g., innovative fiber positioners, new sensors) might open up new opportunities that would have been deemed impossible earlier
- New Observational Windows to Enhance LSST and DESI
  - Are there additional observations that will enhance the science return of Stage IV missions?
  - What would it take to make this happen (e.g., build a small new instrument, carry out follow-up observations with existing facilities)?
- Theory, Analysis, and Computing
  - Develop new ideas to push beyond LCDM
  - Cross-correlations of data in different wavebands, requires cross-project work
  - Simulations play an ever more important role in cosmology ...

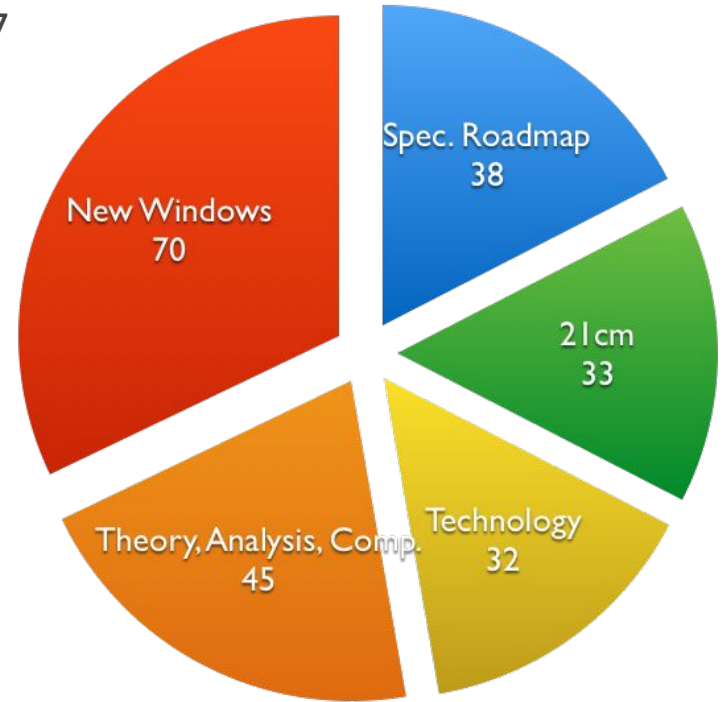
Based on these three areas we have developed a timely, strong Small Projects Portfolio to enhance Stage IV experiments and prepare us for the next large survey!

# The Workshop

LBLN, November 14-15, 2017, Webpage: [cvde2017.lbl.gov](http://cvde2017.lbl.gov)

# Workshop Overview

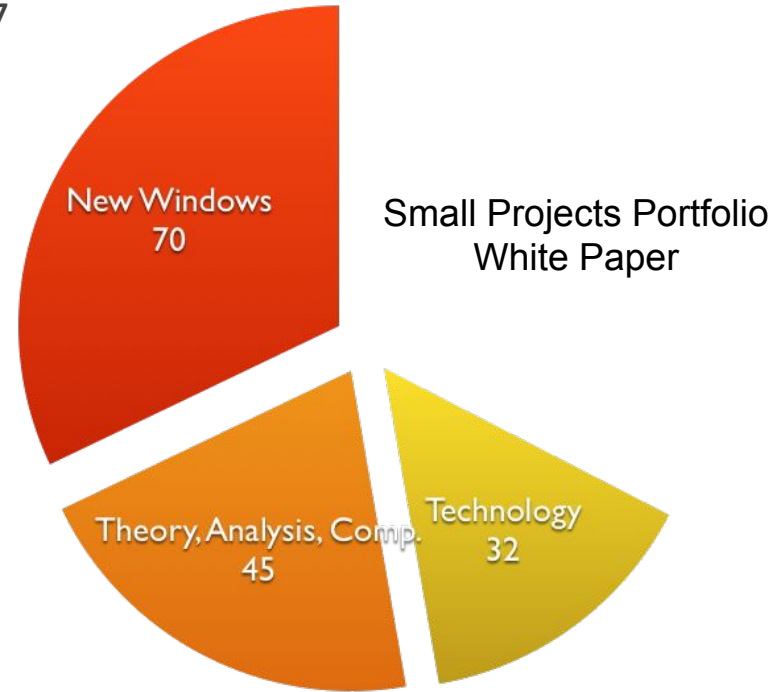
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# 21-cm Roadmap

- A novel way of mapping the universe using 21-cm transition in neutral hydrogen
- Combines the advantages of optical spectroscopic and photometric surveys with very different systematics
- A working group with ~20 active members is preparing the roadmap **White Paper**:
  - Building the science case
  - Forecasting strawman experiment
  - Preparation for decadal submission
- 3-day community workshop **Tremendous Radio Arrays 2018** at BNL 7/30-8/1

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## Cosmic Visions Dark Energy: 21-cm Roadmap

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# Spectroscopic Roadmap

- Spectroscopic follow-up while LSST is on the sky is extremely desirable
- Science drivers for a Wide-field Spectroscopic Survey
  - Cosmic acceleration
  - What is dark matter?
  - Origin of the elements in the periodic table
- Several options from smaller to very large facilities at different time scales
- Community White Paper for the Decadal Survey is in preparation, following a SnowPAC meeting earlier this year

- I. Introduction
  - A. Context in the 2020s and 2030s
  - B. XYZ
- II. Science drivers for future spectroscopy
  - A. Photometric redshift training (J. Newman)
  - A. Cosmology from nonlinear modes (Andrew Hearin, Zheng Zheng)
  - B. Constraining the galaxy-halo connection
  - C. SN hosts (Dan S, Bob K, Alex K), Gravitational wave source hosts (Marcelle, Jim A), dark matter in dwarfs (Keith B), ...
  - D. IGM (KG)
  - E. Voids, higher-order correlations & primordial NG (Elisabeth, Zach)
  - F. Connections to astrophysics science cases?
- III. Example surveys and forecasts
  - A. ABC (Jeff, Kyle, Elisabeth)
  - B. XYZ
- IV. Potential hardware for these surveys
  - A. DESI-2
  - B. DESI-South or other 4m wide field spectrograph in south
  - C. LASSI
  - D. BOA
  - E. Options with external projects: Subaru/PFS, MSE, TMT, GMT, ...
  - F. Technology R&D needs: GLAO (Aaron R), fiber pitch (Tom D), NIR/Ge detectors (Steve H, David S)
  - G. Cost estimates (Pat H)
- V. An integrated roadmap / Timeline

# The White Paper

# Motivation

- P5 Report identified understanding of cosmic acceleration as one of the key science drivers for high-energy physics in the next decade
- Currently, Stage III dark energy experiments are ongoing and generating excellent science results and some small hints of possible tensions (e.g.  $H_0$ )
- LSST and DESI will begin operations soon, promising an order of magnitude improvement in constraining the physics of the accelerating Universe
- This is the ideal time for a matching Small Projects Portfolio that can
  - Greatly enhance the science reach of these flagship projects
  - Have immediate scientific impact
  - Lay the groundwork for the next stages of the Cosmic Frontier Dark Energy program
- We outline here a balanced portfolio that combines observational, experimental and theory and simulation efforts

# Science Drivers for Small-Scale Portfolio

- Reduction of statistical and systematic uncertainties for LSST and DESI beyond the current baseline to enhance cosmological constraints on dark energy, inflation, and neutrinos
  - Since the inception of LSST and DESI, most important sources of systematic uncertainties have been better characterized given Stage III experience
  - Small-scale investments in calibration efforts and efforts to lower the systematics floor through **targeted observations** could have a large payoff, now is the time!
- Exploration of new probes and reduction of systematic uncertainties via cross-correlations
  - No new data needs to be acquired
  - Rather, investment in efforts to develop methodologies to bring together data from different sources; this can include **survey strategies** and **analysis efforts**

# Science Drivers for Small-Scale Portfolio

- Exploration of small scales beyond the current DESI and LSST baseline
  - Extending large-scale structure probes well into the nonlinear regime can significantly improve dark energy constraints
  - Requires comprehensive **modeling and simulation effort** and therefore investment in personnel at the theory-simulation interface would result in large impact
- Investigation of novel probes
  - Going beyond two-point correlations and to even smaller scales by investigating, e.g., galaxy cluster profiles
  - Requires development of **methodical data analysis plan** and new efforts at the **theory-simulation-observation interface**
- Preparing for next-generation experiments
  - LSST and DESI will tell us where to go next! Preparation for Stage V experiments
  - Requires **advances in hardware technology and theory** (origin of the cosmological constant, compelling alternatives, new probes)

# Executive Summary

- Given the motivation and science drivers, we have identified three areas of great promise to enhance DESI and LSST and prepare us for the next generation of experiments:
  - Enhancing LSST and DESI with complementary data
  - New technology advances
  - Theory and simulation advances
- Small-scale investments in all three areas would greatly enhance the Stage IV program; each would require similar amounts of support to succeed (overall a \$10-15M program)
- These investments are very timely — to impact DESI and LSST, most of the recommended efforts must begin in the next 1-2 years

Disclaimer: In the following we will provide several ideas that emerged from the workshop. The list is intended to provide powerful representative examples (rather than a complete list) of small, targeted programs.



# Enhancing LSST and DESI with Complementary Data

## — Complementary Measurement Efforts

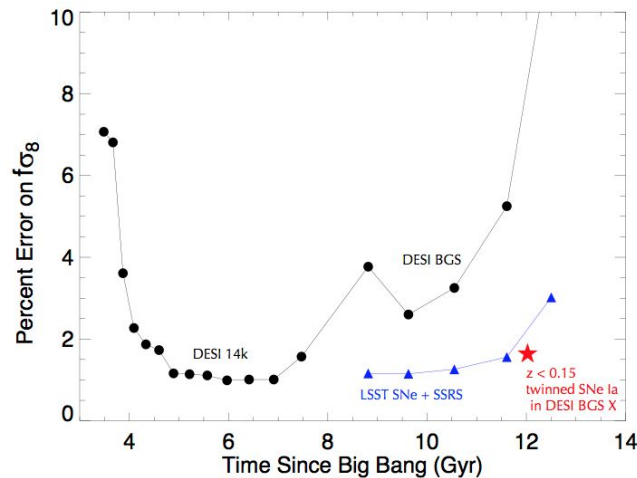
### ● Photometric Calibration

- Type Ia supernovae will play a key role in LSST cosmology constraints (expansion history)
- Accurate flux calibration (<1%) is crucial and can be obtained via a program referencing standard stars to NIST-traceable light sources at very modest cost
- Such a program will also be crucial to fully exploit the synergy of LSST and WFIRST

### ● Peculiar Velocity Studies

- Peculiar velocities probe structure growth
- Supernova distances can map out peculiar velocity fields
- At lower redshift, DESI will be dominated by cosmic variance; a low-z peculiar velocity program can greatly enhance the power of DESI
- Several thousand SNe over the DESI footprint could be obtained with modest investment in operating costs of

*existing facilities.*



# Enhancing LSST and DESI with Complementary Data

## — Complementary Measurement Efforts

- Offset Broad-band Imaging
  - Well-calibrated photometric redshift estimates are *critical* for LSST dark energy science
  - Offset broad-band imaging over a small portion of the LSST footprint could provide a cost-effective approach to significantly improve photometric redshift estimation
  - Support for efforts to design, e.g., a DECam-based approach and to cover the cost of the filters could significantly reduce this major source of systematic uncertainty for LSST
- Ground-based Spectroscopy
  - Ground-based spectroscopic facilities could complement LSST and DESI in many ways
  - Many opportunities, from buying to “trading” data or contributions to new instruments
  - More detailed studies would be required to establish the most impactful program and would become part of the Spectroscopic Roadmap development

# Enhancing LSST and DESI with Complementary Data

## — Bridging Surveys

- **WFIRST and LSST**
  - Several interesting science opportunities can be explored between the two surveys, e.g.,
    - Supernova imaging and spectroscopy
    - Spectroscopy for photometric redshift training and/or calibration
  - However, significant preparatory development and testing of robust pipelines has to be carried out in advance due to the space-based effort involved and therefore resources to work on their design are needed well in advance of the launch of WFIRST
- **LSST and DESI + CMB-S4**
  - Many scientific opportunities by combining CMB-S4 with LSST and/or DESI:
    - CMB lensing cross-correlation with LSST
    - Kinematic and thermal Sunyaev-Zel'dovich effect
  - No new data needed, but resources to enable cross-survey preparatory work are required

# New Technology Developments

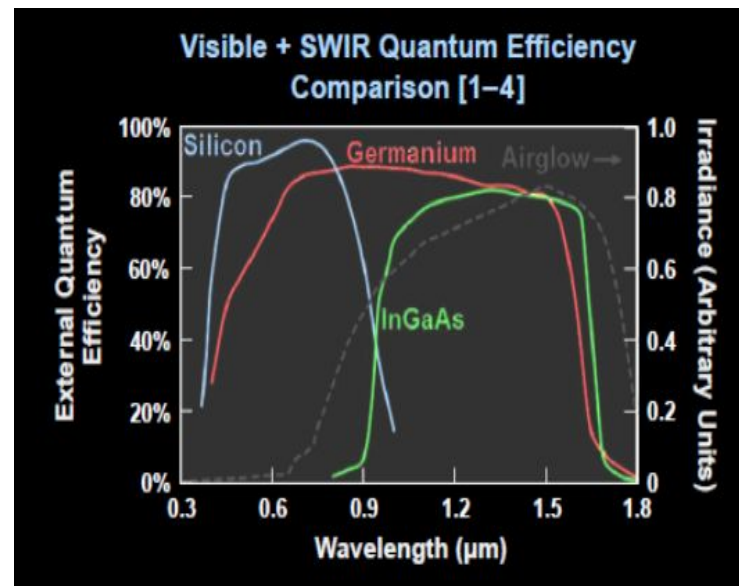
## — Ground Layer Adaptive Optics (GLAO)

- Turbulence in ground layer and upper layers of atmosphere degrade resolution of ground-based imaging and spectroscopic surveys
- By correcting for turbulences in real time, adaptive optics can yield improved angular resolution and improvement of signal-to-noise ratio
- GLAO uses bright guide stars as reference and has been tested on 2.2-meter telescope on Mauna Kea
- Potential to improve current or future facilities; for LSST: GLAO on secondary mirror; for DESI: GLAO on primary mirror
- R&D toward larger mirrors, larger field of view, and site characteristics required

# New Technology Developments

## — Germanium CCDs

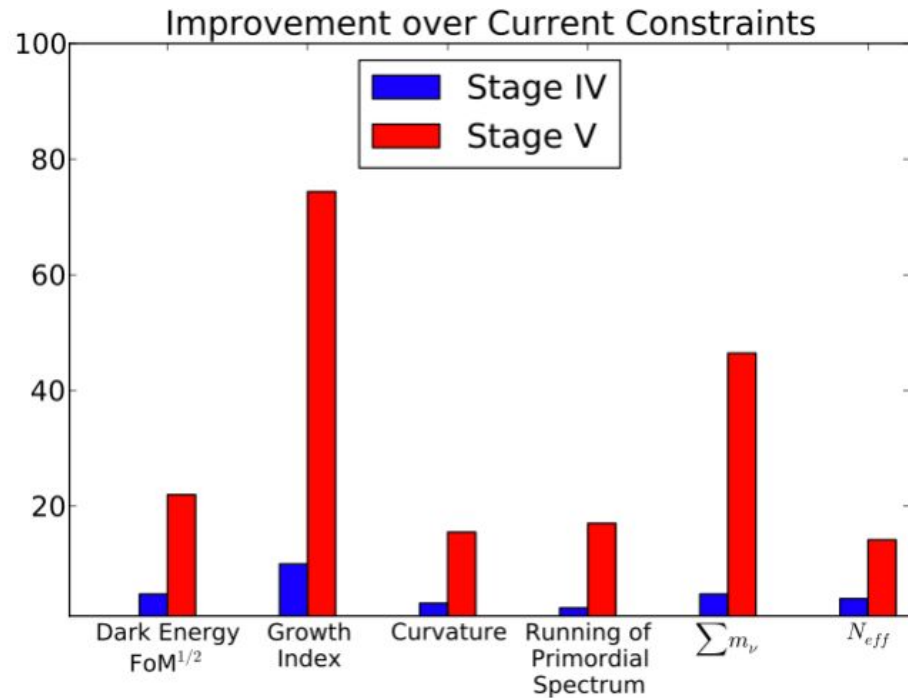
- Silicon CCDs have restrict access to galaxies below redshift  $z < 1.6$
- Enormous volumes will still be unexplored at higher redshifts even after DESI is completed that provide information about many physical models
- Germanium CCDs provide promising alternative but still face several challenges
- A five-year effort is required to develop a manufacturing pipeline



# New Technology Developments

## — Fiber Positioner Systems

- After DESI and LSST, a massive spectroscopic program has great potential to advance cosmology
- With spectroscopy of 40,000 galaxies per square degree we could obtain clustering sample out to  $z < 3.25$
- A new design for fiber positioners would be crucial to enable such an effort



# Theory and Simulation Advances

## — Unlocking Small Scales

- From Tegmark 1997: *“The nonlinear domain appears to be a gold mine of cosmological information, but one whose riches may prove extremely difficult to extract”*
- Krause & Eifler, 2017: Figure of Merit gains of factor 2-4 by extending LSST galaxy clustering and lensing analysis into the highly nonlinear regime
- Simulations and modeling efforts now have matured to help unlock access to the information on nonlinear scales
- A dedicated program in simulations and modeling, including major calibration and validation efforts, has the potential to have a major impact on ongoing and upcoming surveys

# Theory and Simulation Advances

## — Going Beyond $w$ CDM

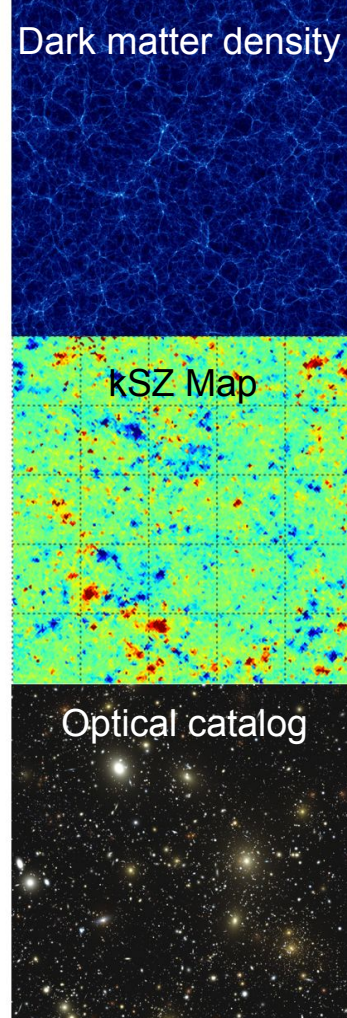
- Going beyond two-point correlation functions and to even smaller scales holds great promise for new insights into the cause of the accelerated expansion of the Universe
- Exploration of physics beyond  $w$ CDM, such as self-interacting dark matter models or modified gravity, requires careful simulations and modeling
- At the same time, the theories have to be rigorously confronted with observation data
- A targeted effort is needed that brings together theorists, simulators, modelers and observers to build a program



# Theory and Simulation Advances

## — A Multi-wavelength Virtual Observatory

- Cross-correlations of different data sets hold a wealth of information and constraining power
- A major analysis, modeling, and simulation effort has to accompany the observational campaigns to take full advantage of this opportunity
- Effort would provide “same sky mocks” for different wavelengths
- Biggest obstacle: Funding resources to be provided to allow work *across* surveys



# Theory and Simulation Advances

## — Enabling Community Science

- Many tools and simulations developed in the dark energy community can be applied across different surveys
- Given the limited resources currently available and the cost associated with the simulations, developing an infrastructure that allows for easy access and sharing of tools and simulations seems most natural
- Resource requirements for building such an infrastructure depend on its sophistication (*easiest*: provide access to simulations, *more difficult*: provide access to analysis capabilities, *even more work*: provide a range of tools)
- Community could contribute to this; opportunities to closely collaborate across agencies and DOE Offices

# Project Matrix

Readiness	Total Cost	
	<\$1M	\$1M - \$3M
<2020	<p><i>Extending DESI/LSST*:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Photometric calibration instrumentation</li> <li>- Narrow-band or offset broad-band imaging</li> <li>- WFIRST + LSST synergies</li> </ul>	<p><i>Theoretical and Simulation Advances:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Modeling &amp; simulations for small scale clustering</li> <li>- Modeling &amp; simulations beyond <math>\Lambda</math>CDM</li> <li>- Multiwavelength Virtual Observatory</li> <li>- Enabling Community Science</li> </ul>
2020-23	<p><i>Extending DESI/LSST*:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Personnel costs for ground-based spectroscopy</li> <li>- Peculiar velocity studies</li> <li>- LSST and DESI + CMB S4 synergies</li> </ul>	<p><i>New Technology Developments:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ground layer adaptive optics over 10 deg<sup>2</sup> field of view</li> <li>- Germanium CCDs manufactured at scale</li> <li>- Fiber Positioner Systems at 5 mm pitch</li> </ul>

★ Less prescriptive category with more scope for new options and ideas.

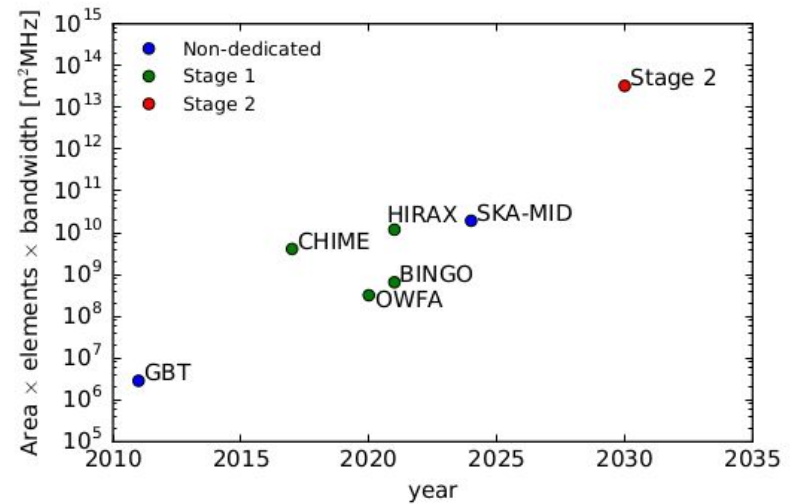
# Summary

- A community-driven Small Projects Portfolio with three key components has been presented:
    - Enhancing LSST and DESI with complementary data
    - New technology advances
    - Theory and simulation advances
  - We strongly believe that support of these areas will have a very strong impact on dark energy science in the next decade and beyond
  - The efforts are extremely timely with LSST and DESI starting soon
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# Back-up Slides

# 21-cm Roadmap

- Main proposal is for a US-led **Stage 2** experiment following current crop of Stage 1 experiments
- Main Science Drives:
  - **Expansion history to  $z=6$** : extends the range to pre-acceleration era
  - **Search for inflationary relics** in primordial power spectrum: order of magnitude improvements wrt to DESI/LSST
  - **Search for primordial non-Gaussianity**: order of magnitude improvements in equilateral/orthogonal bispectra wrt to Planck/DESI/LSST
- White Paper (to be completed by fall) argues for **vigorous R&D program** to:
  - **Research** to better define science case for Stage 2 experiment
  - **Data analysis** of Stage 1 and testbed experiments in preparation for Stage 2
  - **Technology** to develop new hardware and calibration methods



- Bonus Science Drives:
  - **Quadruple** the observed cosmic volume
  - Provide **~10 new and high SNR weak-lensing screens** for cross-correlation studies (with CMB-S4, with LSST)
  - Improve **cosmological parameters**
  - **Directly measure expansion** of the universe (possible at  $z=1$ , further optimization req'd)
  - Explore **modified gravity using pulsars**
  - Explore physics of **Fast Radio Bursts**