Massive gravity and cosmology

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Why alternative gravity theories?



Three conditions for good alternative theories of gravity (my personal viewpoint)

- 1. Theoretically consistent e.g. no ghost instability
- 2. Experimentally viable solar system / table top experiments
- 3. Predictable e.g. protected by symmetry

Some examples

- I. Ghost condensation
 IR modification of gravity
 motivation: dark energy/matter
- II. Nonlinear massive gravityIR modification of gravitymotivation: "Can graviton have mass?"
- III. Horava-Lifshitz gravityUV modification of gravitymotivation: quantum gravity
- IV. Superstring theory
 UV modification of gravity
 motivation: quantum gravity, unified theory

A motivation for IR modification

- Gravity at long distances
 Flattening galaxy rotation curves
 extra gravity

 Dimming supernovae
 accelerating universe
- Usual explanation: new forms of matter (DARK MATTER) and energy (DARK ENERGY).

Dark component in the solar system?

Precession of perihelion observed in 1800's...



which people tried to explain with a "dark planet", Vulcan,



But the right answer wasn't "dark planet", it was "change gravity" from Newton to GR. Can we change gravity in IR?

Change Theory? Massive gravity Fierz-Pauli 1939 DGP model Dvali-Gabadadze-Porrati 2000

Change State? Higgs phase of gravity The simplest: Ghost condensation

Arkani-Hamed, Cheng, Luty and Mukohyama, JHEP 0405:074,2004.

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Vainshtein mechanism (1972) Nonlinearity → Massless limit = General Relativity

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without instabilities (ghosts) Boulware-Deser ghost (1972) 6th d.o.f.@Nonlinear level → Instability (ghost)

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Nonlinear massive gravity

de Rham, Gabadadze 2010 de Rham, Gabadadze & Tolley 2010

- First example of fully nonlinear massive gravity without BD ghost since 1972!
- Purely classical (but technically natural)
- Properties of 5 d.o.f. depend on background
- 4 scalar fields φ^a (a=0,1,2,3)
- Poincare symmetry in the field space: $\phi^a \rightarrow \phi^a + c^a, \quad \phi^a \rightarrow \Lambda^a_b \phi^b$

 $\Rightarrow f_{\mu\nu} \equiv \eta_{ab} \partial_{\mu} \phi^a \partial_{\nu} \phi^b$

Pullback of Minkowski metric in field space to spacetime

Systematic resummation

de Rham, Gabadadze & Tolley 2010

$$I_{mass}[g_{\mu\nu}, f_{\mu\nu}] = M_{Pl}^2 m_g^2$$

 $f_{\mu
u}\equiv\eta_{ab}\partial_{\mu}\phi^{a}\partial_{
u}\phi^{b}$

$$d^{4}x\sqrt{-g}\left(\mathcal{L}_{2}+\alpha_{3}\mathcal{L}_{3}+\alpha_{4}\mathcal{L}_{4}\right)$$
$$\mathcal{K}_{\mu}^{\mu}=\delta_{\mu}^{\mu}-\left(\sqrt{g^{-1}f}\right)^{\mu}$$

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ight) \ \mathcal{L}_4 &= rac{1}{24} \left([\mathcal{K}]^4 - 6 \left[\mathcal{K}
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ight] + 3 \left[\mathcal{K}^2
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ight] \left[\mathcal{K}^3
ight] - 6 \left[\mathcal{K}^4
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ight) \end{aligned}$$

No helicity-0 ghost, i.e. no BD ghost, in decoupling limit $\mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu}\partial_{\nu}\pi \implies \mathcal{L}_{2,3,4} = (\text{total derivative})$

No BD ghost away from decoupling limit (Hassan&Rosen)

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More general fiducial metric f_{μυ} closed/flat/open FRW universes allowed GLM (2011b)

Open universes with self acceleration GLM (2011a) NEW Nonlinear instability of FRW solutions DGM (2012)

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Summary

- Nonlinear massive gravity free from BD ghost
- Open FLRW solutions exist but are unstable
- New class of cosmological solutions: anisotropic FLRW → statistical anisotropy (suppressed by small m_g²)
- Extended theories: extended quasidilaton, bimetric theory, rotation-invariant massive gravity...
- New matter coupling leads to stable cosmology

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