

Gravitational Wave Oscillations in Bigravity



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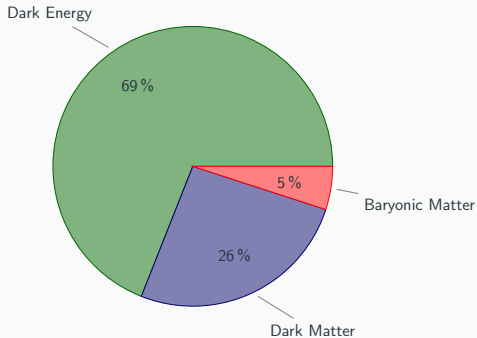
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The observed Universe^[Planck, 2015]



- 95% of the Universe is 'dark', i.e. we do not understand it
 - all evidence is based on *gravitational* interactions
 - no new particles seen at colliders, direct detection, etc.
- ⇒ Better understanding of modifications of GR

Cosmology is a great playground for new ideas!

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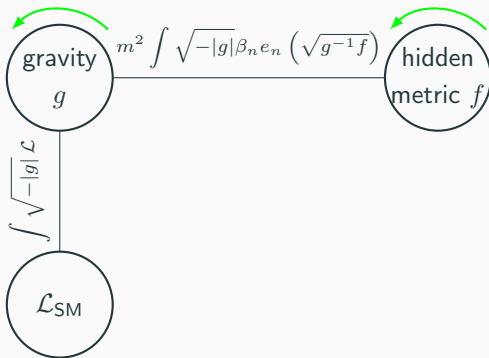
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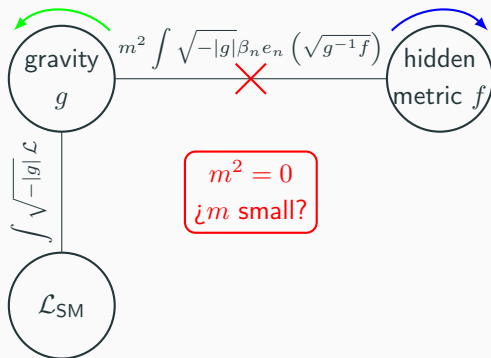
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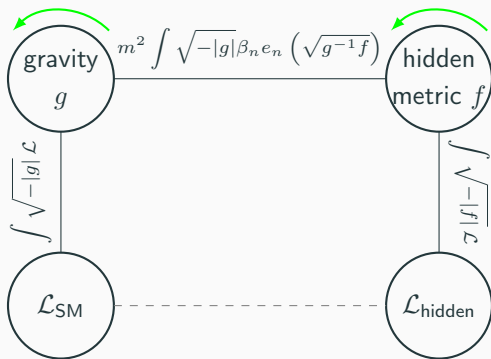
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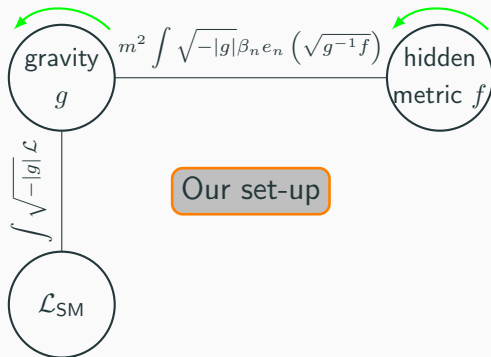
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Bigravity ...

- ... propagates 7 d.o.f. (2 for massless, 5 for a massive spin-2 field)
- ... is ghost-free, i.e. consistent, to all orders^[Hassan & Rosen, 2010/'11]
- ... implements the “Vainshtein” mechanism:^[Vainshtein, 1972]
for $r < r_V$, GR is restored by strong coupling/non-linear effects!
- ... contains an ‘ordinary’ DM candidate^[Babichev et al., 2016]
- ... degravitates the CC^[Dvali, 2007; MP & Smirnov, 2016]
- ... is a very young framework that leads to new effects, such as GW oscillations^[Berezhiani et al., 2007; Hassan et al., 2013, Max et al., 2017]

Background Cosmology

double FRW-like ansatz:

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Cosmology continued

Combining Einstein(g) and Einstein(f), using $J = cH$, yields an *algebraic* equation for y , which can be solved, e.g. iteratively for small $\frac{\rho}{m^2 M_g^2}$:

$$y \simeq y_* - \frac{\rho(t)}{3m^2 M_g^2} \frac{y_*^3}{\Gamma_*(\cos^2 \theta + y_*^2 \sin^2 \theta) - 2 \frac{\tilde{\rho}_* y_*^4}{3m^2 M_g^2}}$$

and

$$c \simeq 1 - (1 + \omega) \frac{\rho(t)}{m^2 \Gamma_* M_{\text{Pl}}^2} \frac{y_*^2}{\frac{2\tilde{\rho}_* y_*^4}{3m^2 M_f^2 \Gamma_*} - \cos^2 \theta}$$

At late times and for 'typical values', $y = y_*$ and $c = 1$,
which allows an analytic treatment!

Gravitational Wave Oscillations

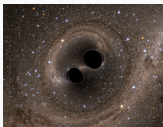
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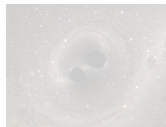
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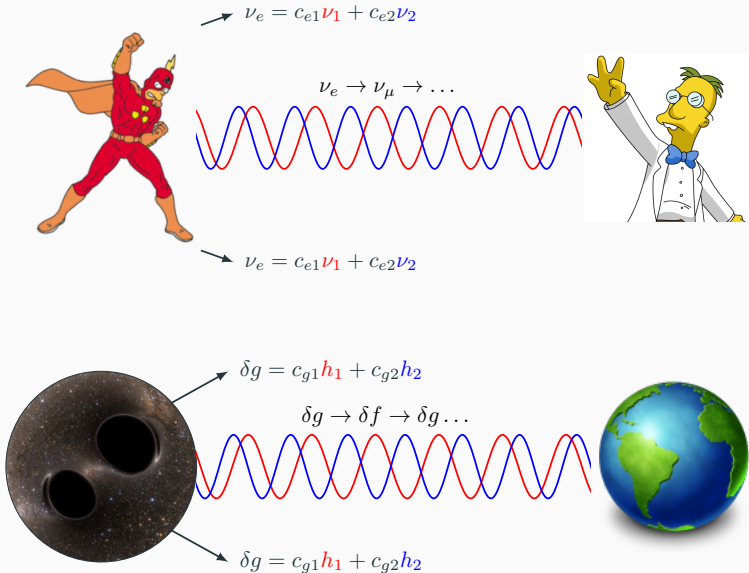
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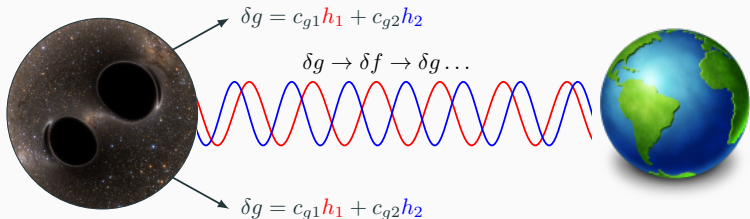
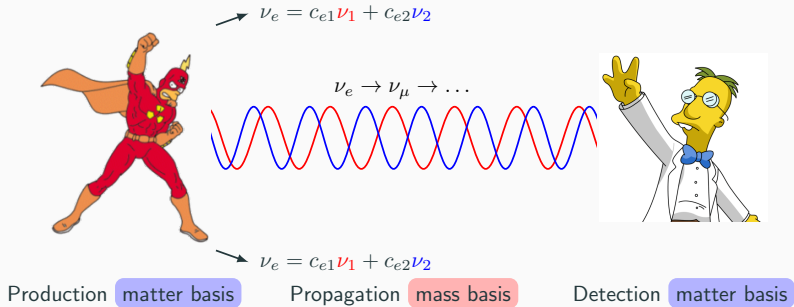
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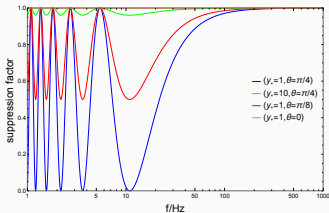


GW oscillations in detail

$$\begin{aligned}\delta g'' + k^2 \delta g + \sin^2 \theta m^2 \Gamma_* a^2 (\delta g - \delta f) &= 0 \\ \delta f'' + k^2 \delta f + \cos^2 \theta \frac{m^2 \Gamma_*}{y_*^2} a^2 (\delta f - \delta g) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}h_1'' + k^2 h_1 &= 0 \\ h_2'' + k^2 h_2 + m_g^2 h_2 &= m_g^2 \eta h_1\end{aligned}$$

Interference yields a frequency dependent modulation of the amplitude.

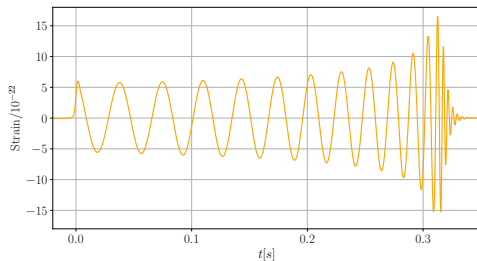


$$\begin{aligned}\delta g(t, \vec{k}) &= \frac{\cos^2 \theta \cos(k t) + \sin^2 \theta y_*^2 \cos(\sqrt{k^2 + m_g^2} t)}{\cos^2 \theta + y_*^2 \sin^2 \theta} \\ \delta f(t, \vec{k}) &= \frac{\cos^2 \theta \cos(k t) - \cos^2 \theta \cos(\sqrt{k^2 + m_g^2} t)}{\cos^2 \theta + y_*^2 \sin^2 \theta}\end{aligned}$$

$$\cos \theta \equiv \frac{M_{\text{eff}}^2}{M_g^2}, \quad \sin \theta \equiv \frac{M_{\text{eff}}^2}{M_f^2}, \quad \sqrt{k^2 + m_g^2} \simeq k + \frac{m_g^2}{2k}$$

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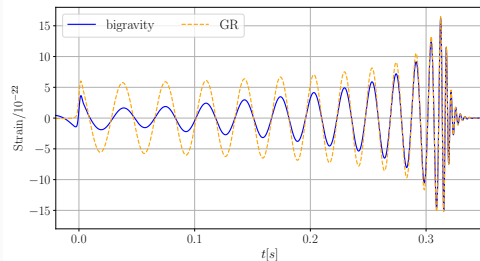


$$\langle \delta g^2(t, k) \rangle_{T_0 \ll T \ll T_*} = \frac{\cos^4 \theta}{(\cos^2 \theta + y_*^2 \sin^2 \theta)^2} \left[1 + 2 y_*^2 \tan^2 \theta \cos(\delta \omega T) + y_*^4 \tan^4 \theta \right],$$

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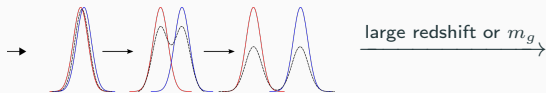
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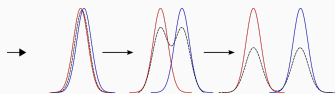
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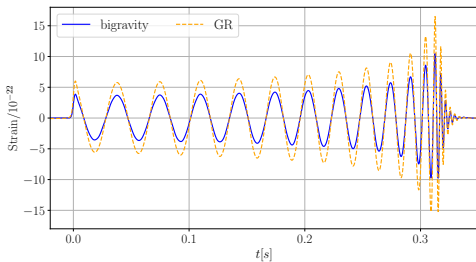
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When the GWs travel over large distances:



large redshift or m_g

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Caution:

indistinguishable from larger
redshift z !

⇒ Study distribution of
events **or** coincidence with
optical signal

$$m_g = 10^{-19} \text{ eV}, y_* = 1, \theta = \pi/4$$

GW oscillations – summary so far

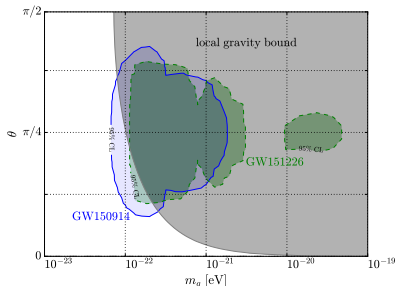
- The length scale of this modulation is $L_{\text{osc}} \sim \frac{2f}{m_g^2}$ (cf. ν oscillations)
- For $m_g \ll f$ the dispersion relation is nearly unaltered wrt GR
- Decoherence of oscillations ($E/\hbar \sim 100$ Hz):

$$L_{\text{coh}} \sim \left(\frac{10^{-21} \text{ eV}}{m_g} \right)^2 \text{ Gpc}$$

- Use waveform of GW signals to constrain the (m_g, θ) -space
 - large masses, decoherence, suppressed amplitude ($\sim$ larger z)
 - small masses, freq. dependent modulation of amplitude, compare with GR

Constraining the Bigravity parameter space

- Compare waveform to 2015 LIGO events
- High-mass regime
→ **decoherence**:
need more events
- Low-mass regime
→ **freq. dependence**:
comparable bounds to LIGO
($m_g < 1.2 \cdot 10^{-22}$ eV)



(local gravity bound: solar system bound $\times \sin \theta$)

With more events & precision, all mass ranges can be probed!

Thank you!

Back-up slides

Einstein equations & Bianchi constraint

$$G(g)_{\mu\nu} + m^2 \sin^2(\theta) \sum_{n=0}^3 \beta_n V_g^{(n)}{}_{\mu\nu} = M_g^{-2} T_{\mu\nu}$$

$$G(f)_{\mu\nu} + m^2 \cos^2(\theta) \sum_{n=1}^4 \sqrt{|g|/|f|} \beta_n V_f^{(n)}{}_{\mu\nu} = 0,$$

where $\sin^2(\theta) = \frac{M_{\text{eff}}^2}{M_g^2}$, $\cos^2(\theta) = \frac{M_{\text{eff}}^2}{M_f^2}$, and the interaction or mass terms

$V_{g/f}$ follow from the variation of the e_n in $\mathcal{S}$.

Also, if the energy-momentum-tensor is to be conserved,

$$\nabla_g^\mu T_{\mu\nu} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \nabla_g^\mu V_g^{(n)}{}_{\mu\nu} = 0$$

$$\nabla_f^\mu G(f)_{\mu\nu} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \nabla_f^\mu V_f^{(n)}{}_{\mu\nu} = 0$$

Back-up – Einstein Eqs. continued

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$$V^{(2)}(g)^\mu{}_\nu = (\mathbb{X}^2)^\mu{}_\nu - \text{tr}(\mathbb{X}) \mathbb{X}^\mu{}_\nu + \frac{\delta^\mu{}_\nu}{2} \left[\text{tr}(\mathbb{X})^2 - \text{tr}(\mathbb{X}^2) \right],$$

$$\begin{aligned} V^{(3)}(g)^\mu{}_\nu = & -(\mathbb{X}^3)^\mu{}_\nu + \text{tr}(\mathbb{X}) (\mathbb{X}^2)^\mu{}_\nu - \frac{1}{2} \left[\text{tr}(\mathbb{X})^2 - \text{tr}(\mathbb{X}^2) \right] \mathbb{X}^\mu{}_\nu + \\ & + \frac{\delta^\mu{}_\nu}{6} \left[\text{tr}(\mathbb{X})^3 - 3 \text{tr}(\mathbb{X}) \text{tr}(\mathbb{X}^2) + 2 \text{tr}(\mathbb{X}^3) \right] \end{aligned}$$

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Einstein equations – linearised

For a specific choice of $\vec{\beta} = (3, -1, 0, 0, +1)$, one recovers the FP mass term by expanding around the Minkowski background η

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \frac{\delta g_{\mu\nu}}{M_g}, \quad f_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \frac{\delta f_{\mu\nu}}{M_f}$$

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{mass}} = m^2 M_{\text{eff}}^2 \int d^4x \sqrt{-|g|} \sum_{n=0}^4 \beta_n e_n(\mathbb{X})$$

$$\simeq -m^2 M_{\text{eff}}^2 \int d^4x \left[\left(\frac{\delta g}{M_g} - \frac{\delta f}{M_f} \right)^{\mu\nu} \left(\frac{\delta g}{M_g} - \frac{\delta f}{M_f} \right)_{\mu\nu} - \left(\frac{\delta g^\mu{}_\mu}{M_g} - \frac{\delta f^\mu{}_\mu}{M_f} \right)^2 \right]$$

Einstein equations – linearised 2

Therefore, the mass eigenstates are

$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta & -\cos \theta \\ \cos \theta & \sin \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \delta g \\ \delta f \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{S}_{\text{mass}} = -\frac{m^2}{8} \int d^4x [u^{\mu\nu} u_{\mu\nu} - (u^\mu{}_\mu)^2],$$

while v remains massless.

two interesting limits

$$\theta \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2} \Leftrightarrow M_g \rightarrow \infty: \text{ massive gravity limit}$$

$$\theta \rightarrow 0 \Leftrightarrow M_f \rightarrow \infty: \text{ GR limit, but NO discontinuity!}$$

Cosmology – Bi-Friedmann Equations

At late times, everything combines to (almost) standard cosmology

$$\left(H^2 + \frac{\kappa}{a^2}\right) = \frac{1}{3}\Lambda_{\text{eff}} + \frac{\rho}{3M_{\text{Pl}}^2}$$

$$\Lambda_{\text{eff}} \equiv m^2 \sin^2 \theta (\beta_0 + 3\beta_1 y_* + 3\beta_2 y_*^2 + \beta_3 y_*^3)$$

$$M_{\text{Pl}}^2 = M_g^2 \frac{\cos^2 \theta + y_*^2 \sin^2 \theta - \frac{2\rho_f^* y_*^4}{3m^2 M_f^2 \Gamma_*}}{\cos^2 \theta - \frac{2\rho_f^* y_*^4}{3m^2 M_f^2 \Gamma_*}}$$

For very early times, $\rho \rightarrow \infty$ and the physical solution yields $y \rightarrow 0$, i.e.

$$\left(H^2 + \frac{\kappa}{a^2}\right) = \frac{1}{3}m^2 \sin^2 \theta \beta_0 + \frac{\rho}{3M_g^2}$$