

QUANTUM GRAVITY, HIGHER DERIVATIVES & NONLOCALITY



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Lorentz non-invariance as the palladium of locality, unitarity and renormalizability in quantum gravity

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Renormalization of Horava gravity

Saving unitarity in renormalizable QG

Einstein GR $S_{EH} = \frac{M_P^2}{2} \int dt d^d x R$ nonrenormalizable

$\Rightarrow \frac{M_P^2}{2} \int dt d^d x (h_{ij} \square h_{ij} + h^2 \square h + \dots)$

Higher derivative gravity

Stelle (1977)

$\int (M_P^2 R + R_{\mu\nu} R^{\mu\nu} + R^2)$

$\Rightarrow \int (M_P^2 h_{ij} \square h_{ij} + h_{ij} \square^2 h_{ij} + \dots)$

dominates at $k \gg M_P$

The theory is renormalizable and asymptotically free !

Fradkin, Tseytlin (1981)

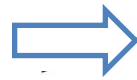
Avramidy & A.B. (1985)

But has ghost poles $\Rightarrow$ no unitary interpretation

Horava (2009)

$$\underbrace{\int dt d^d x (\dot{h}_{ij} \dot{h}_{ij} - h_{ij} (-\Delta)^z h_{ij} + \dots)}$$

$$\propto b^{-(z+d)}$$



$$h_{ij} \mapsto b^{(d-z)/2} h_{ij}$$

$$\mathbf{x} \mapsto b^{-1} \mathbf{x}, \quad t \mapsto b^{-z} t$$

Critical theory in $z = d$

LI is necessarily broken. We want to preserve as many symmetries, as possible

$$x^i \mapsto \tilde{x}^i(\mathbf{x}, t) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \gamma_{ij} = N^i, \quad i = 1, \dots, d$$

$$t \mapsto \tilde{t}(t) \quad \Rightarrow \quad N$$

Foliation preserving diffeomorphisms

$$x^i \mapsto \tilde{x}^i(\mathbf{x}, t) \ , \quad t \mapsto \tilde{t}(t)$$

ADM metric decomposition

$$ds^2 = N^2 dt^2 + \gamma_{ij}(dx^i + N^i dt)(dx^j + N^j dt) \ , \quad i, j = 1, \dots, d$$

space
dimensionality

Anisotropic scaling transformations and scaling dimensions

$$x^i \rightarrow \lambda^{-1} x^i, \quad t \rightarrow \lambda^{-z} t, \quad N^i \rightarrow \lambda^{z-1} N^i, \quad \gamma_{ij} \rightarrow \gamma_{ij},$$

$$[x] = -1, \quad [t] = -z, \quad [N^i] = z - 1, \quad [\gamma_{ij}] = 0, \quad [K_{ij}] = z.$$

extrinsic
curvature

$$K_{ij} = \frac{1}{2N}(\dot{\gamma}_{ij} - \nabla_i N_j - \nabla_j N_i)$$

“Projectable” theory $N = \text{const} = 1$

**Horava gravity
action**

$$S = \frac{1}{2G} \int dt d^d x \sqrt{\gamma} N \left(\overbrace{K_{ij} K^{ij} - \lambda K^2}^{\text{kinetic term -- unitarity}} - \mathcal{V}(\gamma) \right)$$
$$K_{ij} = \frac{1}{2N} (\dot{\gamma}_{ij} - \nabla_i N_j - \nabla_j N_i)$$

**Potential
term**

$$\mathcal{V}(\gamma) = 2\Lambda - \eta R + \mu_1 R^2 + \mu_2 R_{ij} R^{ij} + \nu_1 R^3 + \nu_2 R R_{ij} R^{ij} \\ + \nu_3 R_j^i R_k^j R_i^k + \nu_4 \nabla_i R \nabla^i R + \nu_5 \nabla_i R_{jk} \nabla^i R^{jk} + \dots$$

Many more versions: extra
structures in non-projectable theory,
reduction of structures for
detailed balance case . . .

$$N \neq \text{const}, \quad a_i = \nabla_i \ln N, \dots$$

$d + 1 = 4$ **DoF: tt-graviton and scalar**

Unitarity domain (no ghosts) $\frac{1 - \lambda}{1 - 3\lambda} > 0$

$$\omega_{tt}^2 = \eta k^2 + \mu_2 k^4 + \nu_5 k^6 ,$$

$$\omega_s^2 = \frac{1 - \lambda}{1 - 3\lambda} \left(-\eta k^2 + (8\mu_1 + 3\mu_2)k^4 + (8\nu_4 + 3\nu_5)k^6 \right)$$



tachyon in IR

Divergences power counting

$$\text{Deg of div} \int \frac{d^{d+1}p}{(p^2)^N} = d + 1 - 2N = \text{physical dimensionality}$$



$$p = (\omega, \mathbf{k}), \quad p^2 \rightarrow \omega^2 + \mathbf{k}^2$$

$$\text{Deg of div} \int \frac{d\omega d^d k}{(\omega^2 + \mathbf{k}^2)^N} = z + d - 2zN = \text{scaling dimensionality}$$

physical dimensionality $\neq$ scaling dimensionality

$$z = d$$

critical value

$$\mathcal{V}^{(d=2)}(\gamma) = 2\Lambda - \eta R + \mu_1 R^2$$

$$\mathcal{V}^{(d=3)}(\gamma) = 2\Lambda - \eta R + \mu_1 R^2 + \mu_2 R_{ij}^2 + O(R^3, R\nabla^2 R)$$

Things are not so simple: power counting is not enough:

$$\int \prod_{l=1}^L d^{d+1}k^{(l)} \mathcal{F}_n(k) \prod_{m=1}^M \frac{1}{(P^{(m)}(k))^2} \implies \int \prod_{l=1}^L d\omega^{(l)} d^d k^{(l)} \mathcal{F}_n(\omega, \mathbf{k}) \prod_{m=1}^M \frac{1}{A_m(\Omega^{(m)}(\omega))^2 + B_m(\mathbf{K}^{(m)}(\mathbf{k}))^{2z}}$$

Generalization of BPHZ renormalization theory (subtraction of subdivergences)

works only for $A_m > 0$ and $B_m > 0$

depends on gauge fixing

Invention of regular gauges for projectable HG

$$F^\mu \equiv \partial_\nu h^{\nu\mu} + \dots \Rightarrow F^i = \dot{N}^i + c \partial_j \Delta h^{ji} + \dots$$

$$[F^i] = 3 \Rightarrow [\mathcal{O}_{ij}] = -2, \quad \mathcal{O}_{ij} = (\Delta \delta_{ij} + \xi \partial_i \partial_j)^{-1}$$

extra derivatives to have homogeneity in scaling

Gauge fixing term

$$S_{\text{gf}} = \frac{\sigma}{2G} \int dt d^d x \sqrt{\gamma} F_i \mathcal{O}^{ij} F_j$$

σ, ξ free gauge fixing parameters



Projectable HG is renormalizable in any d

Gauge invariance of counterterms

Background covariant gauge conditions + BRST structure of renormalization

Background field method:

$$\gamma_{ij} = \bar{\gamma}_{ij} + h_{ij}, \quad \partial_i \rightarrow \bar{\nabla}_i, \quad \mathcal{O}^{-1 ij} = \bar{\Delta} \bar{\gamma}^{ij} + \xi \bar{\nabla}^i \bar{\nabla}^j, \quad \dots$$

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Arefieva, Abbott...
Barnich, Henneaux, Grassi, Anselmi,...*

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Background field extension of the BRST operator + inclusion of generating functional sources into the gauge fermion



1. BRST structure of renormalization via **decoupling of the background field**
2. **No** power counting or use of field dimensionalities
3. Extension to **Lorentz symmetry** violating theories
4. Extension to (nonrenormalizable) **effective field theories**

Extended BRS operator and gauge fermion

$$Q \rightarrow Q_{\text{ext}}, \quad \Psi \rightarrow \Psi_{\text{ext}}[\Phi, J]$$

$$e^{-W/\hbar} = \int D\Phi e^{-(S+Q\Psi+J\Phi)/\hbar} \Rightarrow e^{-W/\hbar} = \int D\Phi e^{-(S+Q_{\text{ext}}\Psi_{\text{ext}})/\hbar}$$

Gauge independence on shell

$$\delta_{\Psi} W[J] \Big|_{J=0} = 0$$

Renormalization:

$$S[\varphi] \rightarrow S[\varphi] + \Delta_{\infty} S[\varphi]$$

physical gauge
invariant local
counterterm

$$\Psi_{\text{ext}}[\Phi] \rightarrow \Psi_{\text{ext}}[\Phi] + \Delta_{\infty} \Psi_{\text{ext}}[\Phi]$$

local counterterm
to gauge fermion
(irrelevant)

Asymptotic freedom in (2+1)-dimensions

$$S = \frac{1}{2G} \int dt d^2x N \sqrt{\gamma} \left(K_{ij} K^{ij} - \lambda K^2 + \mu R^2 \right)$$

*Off-shell extension
is not unique:*

$$\Gamma_{1\text{-loop}} \rightarrow \Gamma_{1\text{-loop}} + \int dt d^d x \Omega_{ij} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \gamma_{ij}}$$

Essential coupling constants:

$$\lambda, \quad \mathcal{G} \equiv \frac{G}{\sqrt{\mu}}$$

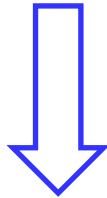
**background covariant
gauge-fixing term**

σ, ξ – free parameters

$$S_{\text{gf}} = \frac{\sigma}{2G} \int dt d^2x \sqrt{\gamma} F_i \mathcal{O}^{ij} F_i$$

$$F_i = \partial_t n_i + \frac{1}{2\sigma} \mathcal{O}_{ij}^{-1} (\nabla^k h_k^j - \lambda \nabla^j h)$$

$$\mathcal{O}^{ij} = -[\gamma_{ij} \Delta + \xi \nabla_i \nabla_j]^{-1}$$



Mathematica package xAct

*D. Brizuela, J. M. Martin-Garcia, and G. A. Mena
Marugan, Gen. Rel. Grav. 41, 2415 (2009),
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$$\beta_\lambda = \frac{15 - 14\lambda}{64\pi} \sqrt{\frac{1 - 2\lambda}{1 - \lambda}} \mathcal{G}$$

$$\beta_{\mathcal{G}} = -\frac{(16 - 33\lambda + 18\lambda^2)}{64\pi(1 - \lambda)^2} \sqrt{\frac{1 - \lambda}{1 - 2\lambda}} \mathcal{G}^2$$

Powerful check – gauge independence of essential couplings

Check in conformal gauge $h_{ij} = e^{2\phi}\gamma_{ij}$

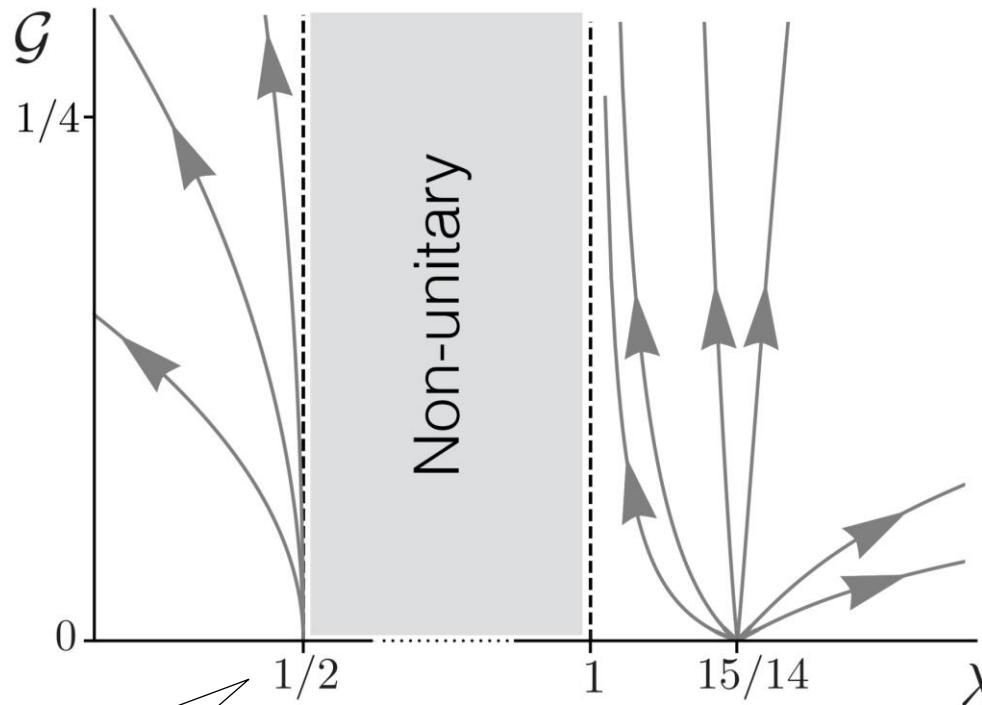
$$\left. \begin{aligned} \beta_\mu &= \frac{2 - 7\lambda + 6\lambda^2}{32\pi(1 - \lambda)^{3/2}\sqrt{1 - 2\lambda}} G\sqrt{\mu} \\ \beta_G &= -\frac{6\lambda - 7}{32\pi\sqrt{(1 - 2\lambda)(1 - \lambda)}} \frac{G^2}{\mu} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \beta_G$$

same

Compare to regular “relativistic” gauge

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \beta_\mu &= \frac{30 - 73\lambda + 42\lambda^2}{32\pi(1 - \lambda)^{3/2}\sqrt{1 - 2\lambda}} G\sqrt{\mu} \\ \beta_G &= -\frac{30\lambda - 23}{32\pi\sqrt{(1 - 2\lambda)(1 - \lambda)}} \frac{G^2}{\mu} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \beta_G$$

Renormalization flows:



strongly coupled f. point

$$\mathcal{G} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{G}} = \frac{G}{\sqrt{1-2\lambda}}$$

$$\beta_{\tilde{\mathcal{G}}} = -\frac{(1-2\lambda)^2}{64\pi(1-\lambda)^{3/2}} \tilde{\mathcal{G}}^2$$

AF UV fixed point

Cf. conformal truncation of (2+1)D HG, Benedetti and Guarneri, JHEP 03(2014)078: f. point $\lambda=1/2$, unitarity at $G<0$, $\lambda>1$

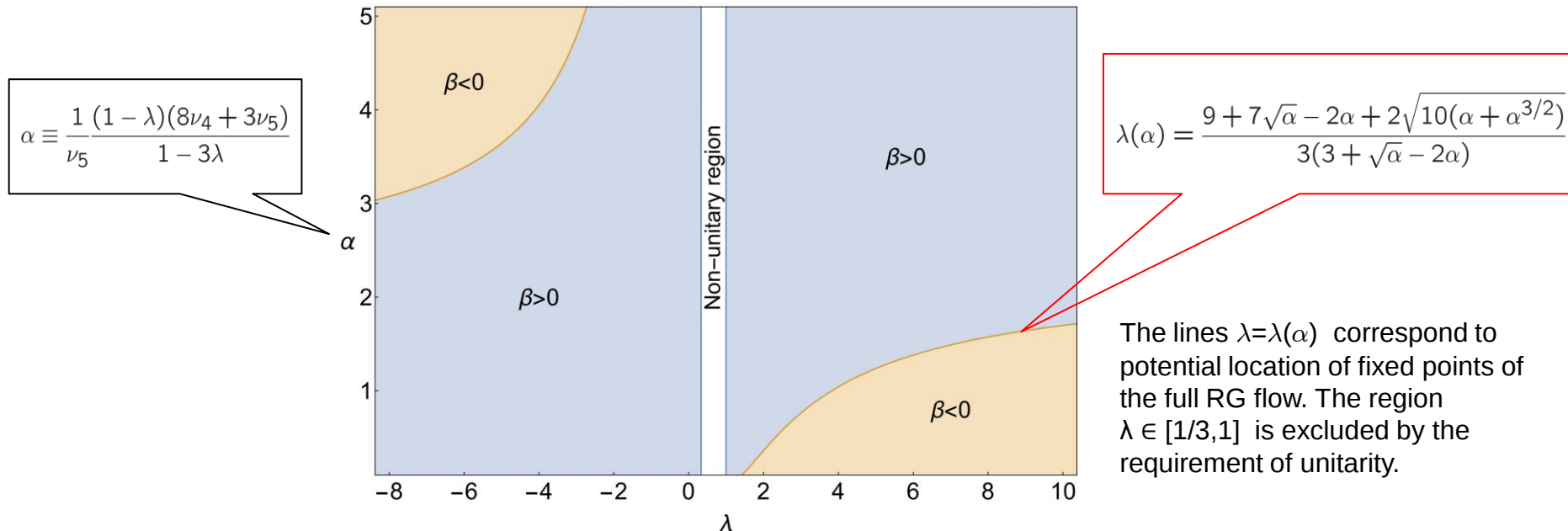
Towards RG flows of (3+1)-dimensional Horava gravity

$$S = \frac{1}{2G} \int dt d^d x \sqrt{\gamma} N \left(K_{ij} K^{ij} - \lambda K^2 - \mathcal{V}(\gamma) \right)$$

$$\mathcal{V}(\gamma) = \nu_1 R^3 + \nu_2 R R_{ij} R^{ij} + \nu_3 R_j^i R_k^j R_i^k + \nu_4 \nabla_i R \nabla^i R + \nu_5 \nabla_i R_{jk} \nabla^i R^{jk} + \dots$$

$$\beta_G, \quad \beta_\lambda$$

*M. Herrero-Valea, S. Sibiryakov & A.B.,
PRD100 (2019) 026012*



Motivation for UMG $\rightarrow$ GUMG transition

Consistent QG in UV: GR $\rightarrow$ Horava gravity

*Einstein
(1919)*

Dark energy problem: GR $\rightarrow$ UMG $\rightarrow$ GUMG

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 $p = w\varepsilon$

*what is in
common ?*

*violation of Lorentz and diffeomorphism symmetry
fixing the lapse function (projectable HL model)
same number of DOF (TT + scalar graviton)*

. . .

Generalized unimodular gravity (GUMG)

Constraint on metric coefficients

$$(-g^{00})^{-1/2} = N(\gamma), \quad \gamma = \det \gamma_{ij}.$$

Unimodular gravity case

$$\det g_{\mu\nu} = -1 \Rightarrow N(\gamma) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma}}$$

$$S_{GUMG}[g_{ij}, g_{0i}] = S_{EH}[g_{\mu\nu}] \Big|_{(-g^{00})^{-1/2}=N(\gamma)}$$

*Effective perfect fluid
composed of the metric*

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} R = \frac{1}{2} T_{\mu\nu},$$

$$T_{\mu\nu} = (\varepsilon + p) u_\mu u_\nu + p g_{\mu\nu}, \quad u_\mu = -\delta_\mu^0 N \quad \varepsilon = 2 u^\mu u^\nu \left(R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} R \right)$$

*Equation of
state*

$$p = w\varepsilon, \quad w = 2 \frac{d \ln N(\gamma)}{d \ln \gamma}$$

Canonical formalism

$$S[\gamma_{ij}, \pi^{ij}, N^i, P_i, v^i] = \int dt d^3x \left(\pi^{ij} \dot{\gamma}_{ij} + P_i \dot{N}^i - N H_{\perp} - N^i H_i - v^i P_i \right)$$

Canonical constraints:

$$P_i = 0,$$

$$H_i = 0,$$

$$\partial_i T = 0, \quad T \equiv w N H_{\perp},$$

$$T \partial_i S = 0.$$

$$H_{\perp} = \frac{\gamma_{im} \gamma_{jn} \pi^{ij} \pi^{mn} - \frac{1}{2} \pi^2}{\sqrt{\gamma}} - \sqrt{\gamma} {}^3R$$

$$H_i = -2\gamma_{ij} \nabla_k \pi^{jk}, \quad \pi = \gamma_{ij} \pi^{ij},$$

Bifurcation:

$$T = 0$$

$$\partial_i S = 0.$$

GR branch

GUMG branch



**three local degrees of freedom –
tensor and scalar gravitons**

Are they stable (non-ghost)?

$$S = \Omega \partial_k N^k - \frac{d \ln w \pi N}{d \ln \gamma \sqrt{\gamma}},$$

$$\Omega = 1 + w + 2 \frac{d \ln w}{d \ln \gamma}$$

**No classical transitions
between branches**

$$\dot{T} = TS$$

GUMG cosmology

$$ds^2 = -N^2 dt^2 + a^2(t) \sigma_{ij} dx^i dx^j$$

$$k = 0, \pm 1$$

$$H = \frac{\dot{a}}{Na} \quad \text{Hubble factor}$$

$$N = N(\gamma) = N(a^3)$$

Friedmann equation

$$H^2 + \frac{k}{a^2} = \frac{C}{3Na^3}, \quad \varepsilon = \frac{M_P^2 C}{Na^3} \quad \text{Dark fluid density}$$

$$\frac{d\varepsilon}{da} = -3(1+w) \frac{\varepsilon}{a}$$

Depending on the choice of $N(\gamma)$ can imitate dark energy (without phantom line crossing) and inflation stage

Reconstruction of the model from inflationary stage

$$N(\gamma) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma}} \left[1 + \sqrt{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma_*}} + B \left(\frac{\gamma}{\gamma_*} \right)^{3/2 - 2\Delta} \right], \quad \Delta \sim 1 - n_s > 0$$

$$w \simeq -1 + \sqrt{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma_*}}$$

End of inflation:

$$\sqrt{\gamma} \rightarrow \sqrt{\gamma_*},$$

$$w \rightarrow 0$$

GUMG cosmological perturbation theory

$$\delta\gamma_{ij} = a^2(-2\psi\sigma_{ij} + 2\nabla_i\nabla_j E + 2\nabla_{(i}F_{j)} + t_{ij}),$$

Physical scalar sector -- tensor and scalar graviton

Scalar graviton = inflaton

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \int d\eta d^3x \left(\vartheta'^2 + c_s^2 \vartheta \Delta \vartheta + \frac{\theta''}{\theta} \vartheta^2 \right),$$

$$\vartheta = \theta \psi, \quad \theta^2 = 3a^2 M_P^2 \frac{\Omega}{w}$$

$$\vartheta' = d\vartheta/d\eta$$

$$\eta = \int dt N/a$$

conformal time

Unitarity domain – free from ghost and tachyon instabilities

$$\frac{w}{\Omega} > 0 \quad 1 + w > 0$$

$$\Omega = 1 + w + 2 \frac{d \ln w}{d \ln \gamma}$$

Speed of sound

$$c_s^2 = \frac{w(1+w)}{\Omega}.$$

No crossing the phantom divide line in unitarity domain

Inflation and its power spectra

**Mukhanov-Sasaki
equation**

$$\vartheta'' - c_s^2 \Delta \vartheta - \frac{\theta''}{\theta} \vartheta = 0$$

**Power
spectrum**

$$\delta_\psi^2(k, \eta) = \frac{k^3}{2\pi^2} \frac{|\vartheta_{\mathbf{k}}(\eta)|^2}{\theta^2(\eta)}$$

**Scalar
sector**

$$\delta_\psi^2(k, \eta) = \frac{1}{12\pi^2} \sqrt{\frac{\Omega}{w(1+w)^3}} \frac{H^2}{M_P^2} \Big|_{c_s k = H a} = \frac{1}{36\pi^2} \frac{1}{c_s(1+w)} \frac{\varepsilon}{M_P^4} \Big|_{c_s k = H a}$$

red tilt

$$n_s - 1 = \frac{-6(1+w) + \frac{d \ln \Omega}{d \ln a} - \frac{d \ln w}{d \ln a} - 3 \frac{d \ln(1+w)}{d \ln a}}{- (1+3w) + \frac{d \ln \Omega}{d \ln a} - \frac{d \ln w}{d \ln a} - \frac{d \ln(1+w)}{d \ln a}} \Big|_{c_s k = H a}$$

*Standard result of
k-inflation with a
speed of sound c_s*

**Tensor
sector**

$$\delta_t^2(k, \eta) = \frac{2}{\pi^2} \frac{H^2}{M_P^2} \Big|_{k = H a}, \quad n_t \simeq -3(1+w) \Big|_{k = H a}$$

$$r \equiv \frac{\delta_t^2}{\delta_\phi^2} = 54 \frac{H_{k=H a}^2}{H_{c_s k = H a}^2} \left[c_s(1+w) \Big|_{c_s k = H a} \right]$$

Parameters of power spectra in GUMG theory:

$$N(\gamma) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma}} \left[1 + \sqrt{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma_*}} + B \left(\frac{\gamma}{\gamma_*} \right)^{3/2 - 2\Delta} \right],$$

$$w \simeq -1 + \sqrt{\frac{\gamma}{\gamma_*}}$$



$$\delta_{\Phi}^2(k, \eta) \simeq \frac{\sqrt{6B}}{27\pi^2} \frac{H_0^2}{M_P^2} \left(\frac{\gamma}{\gamma_*} \right)^{-\Delta} \Big|_{c_s k = Ha},$$

$$n_s \simeq 1 - \frac{3}{2} \Delta, \quad r \simeq \frac{54}{\sqrt{6B}} \left(\frac{\gamma}{\gamma_*} \right)^{\Delta} \Big|_{c_s k = Ha}$$

$$1 - n_s \simeq 0.04, \quad \delta_{\Phi}^2 \simeq 10^{-10}, \quad r \ll 1$$

$$\frac{\gamma_*}{\gamma} \Big|_{c_s k = Ha} = e^{6\mathcal{N}}, \quad \mathcal{N} \simeq 60 \quad \text{exponentially high e-folding number}$$

Naturalness

$$B = O(1),$$

$$r \sim 54 \left(e^{-\mathcal{N}} \right)^{4(1-n_s)} \sim 10^{-3}$$

GUMG covariantization and self-gravitating media

Introducing Stueckelberg fields

$$g^{\mu\nu} \mapsto C^{AB}, \quad C^{AB} = g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi^A \partial_\nu \phi^B, \quad \phi^A = (\phi^0, \phi^1, \phi^2, \phi^3)$$

New form of the constraint

$$(-g^{00})^{-1/2} - N(\gamma) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad P(X) - \sqrt{\det C^{AB}} = 0$$

$$X = C^{00} = g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi^0 \partial_\nu \phi^0 \quad \text{kinetic term for } \phi^0$$

$$P(X) \equiv \left(\frac{-X}{\Gamma(1/\sqrt{-X})} \right)^{1/2}, \quad \Gamma(N(\gamma)) \equiv \gamma$$

Inverse function
to $N(\gamma)$

**Constraint with the
Lagrangian multiplier**

$$S[g_{\mu\nu}, \Lambda, \phi^A] = S_{EH}[g_{\mu\nu}] + \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \Lambda \left(P(X) - \sqrt{\det C^{AB}} \right)$$



**Self-gravitating media
action**

$$S[g_{\mu\nu}, \Lambda, \phi^A] = S_{EH}[g_{\mu\nu}] + \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} U(C^{AB}(g_{\mu\nu}))$$

**Decoupling of spatial
Stueckelbergs:**

EoM: $\Lambda = K(\phi^0) \equiv K(\phi), \quad \phi^0 \equiv \phi$



Special type of *k*-essence:

$$S_K[g_{\mu\nu}, \phi] = S_{EH}[g_{\mu\nu}] + \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} K(\phi) P(X)$$

$$p = w\rho = \Lambda P, \quad w = \frac{P}{2P_X X - P}$$

**Hydrodynamical nature of the
speed of sound**

$$c_s^2 = \frac{\partial p / \partial X}{\partial \rho / \partial X} = \frac{\partial_\gamma P}{\partial_\gamma (P/w)} = \frac{w(1+w)}{\Omega}$$

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& A.B. e-Print: [2011.06521](#)

Reconstruction of $K(\phi)$ in GUMG k-inflation

Expansion in two smallness parameters

$$\delta = \sqrt{\frac{-\nabla^\mu \phi \nabla_\mu \phi}{\gamma_*}} \ll 1, \quad \varepsilon = \frac{3H_0 \phi}{\sqrt{\gamma_*}} \equiv \frac{\phi}{\phi_0} \ll 1$$

H_0 -- Hubble scale of inflation

$\gamma_* = a_*^3$ -- scale factor at the end of inflation



$$P(X) = 1 - \delta - B \delta^{3+8\frac{n_s-1}{3}} + \dots,$$

$$K(\phi) = -3M_P^2 H_0^2 \left[1 - \varepsilon + \frac{3}{4}\varepsilon^2 - \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^3 - \left(3 + 8\frac{n_s-1}{3}\right) B \varepsilon^{3+8\frac{n_s-1}{3}} + \dots \right]$$

k-essence Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_K(\phi, X) = \underbrace{\frac{3M_P^2 H_0^2}{\sqrt{\gamma_*}} \left(\sqrt{-\nabla_\mu \phi \nabla^\mu \phi} - \sqrt{\gamma_*} \right)}_{\text{Cuscuton model (no degrees of freedom)}} + O\left(\underbrace{\varepsilon, \varepsilon^{3+8\frac{n_s-1}{3}}, \delta, \delta^{3+8\frac{n_s-1}{3}}}_{\text{Dynamical k-inflaton is sitting here}}\right)$$

Cuscuton model (no degrees of freedom)

Dynamical k-inflaton is sitting here

$$\Delta = \frac{2}{3}(1 - n_s) \simeq 0.026 \ll 1$$



$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon^{8\frac{n_s-1}{3}} &\simeq 1 - 4\Delta \ln \frac{\phi}{\phi_0}, \\ \delta^{8\frac{n_s-1}{3}} &\simeq 1 - 2\Delta \ln \frac{-\nabla_\mu \phi \nabla^\mu \phi}{\gamma_*} \end{aligned}$$

EFT type slowly varying logarithmic corrections

Unifying GUMG and Horava-Lifshitz gravity: generalized RG?

$$g_A = (\lambda, \Lambda, \eta, \mu_1, \mu_2, \nu_1, \dots) \rightarrow g_A(\gamma) = (\lambda(\gamma), \Lambda(\gamma), \eta(\gamma), \mu_1(\gamma), \mu_2(\gamma), \nu_1(\gamma), \dots)$$

$$S = \frac{1}{2G} \int dt d^d x \sqrt{\gamma} N(\gamma) (K_{ij} K^{ij} - \lambda(\gamma) K^2 - \mathcal{V}(\gamma))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{V}(\gamma) = & 2\Lambda(\gamma) - \eta(\gamma)R + \mu_1(\gamma)R^2 + \mu_2(\gamma)R_{ij}R^{ij} + \nu_1(\gamma)R^3 + \nu_2(\gamma)RR_{ij}R^{ij} \\ & + \nu_3(\gamma)R_j^i R_k^j R_i^k + \nu_4(\gamma)\nabla_i R \nabla^i R + \nu_5(\gamma)\nabla_i R_{jk} \nabla^i R^{jk} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Generalized RG

$$\partial_t g_A = \beta_A(g, \partial_\gamma g, \partial_\gamma^2 g, \dots)$$

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Conclusions

Renormalization of Horava-Lifshitz gravity

*Salvation of unitarity in **local renormalizable** QG via LI violation*
*BPHZ renormalization and “**regularity**” of propagators*
Gauge invariance of UV counterterms
***Asymptotic freedom** in (2+1)-dimensional theory*
Towards (3+1)-dimensions

Generalized unimodular gravity (GUMG)

***Dark fluid** with barotropic **time dependent** equation of state*
*GUMG cosmology and unitarity domain for a **scalar graviton***
***Inflationary scenario** and power spectra (**naturalness**)*
Covariantization, decoupling of spatial Stueckelberg fields
k-essence and self-gravitating media, EFT

THANK YOU!