

Dark energy instabilities induced by gravitational waves

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Introduction

- Universe undergoes accelerating expansion \implies Many models of dark energy (DE) e.g. Quintessence, $\mathcal{P}(X)$, (beyond) Horndeski, etc.
- Gravitational wave (GW) observations \implies New test of GR and modified gravity theories
- Use GW propagation (LIGO/Virgo) to constrain those DE models

Dark energy models: Scalar-tensor theories

- One extra scalar field:

$$\mathcal{L} = R - \frac{1}{2}X - V(\phi) \quad \text{Quintessence}$$

$$\mathcal{L} = f(\phi)R - \frac{1}{2}X - V(\phi) \quad \text{Brans-Dicke}$$

$$\mathcal{L} = R - \mathcal{P}(\phi, X) \quad \text{k-essence}$$

$$X = g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi$$

Scalar fluctuation: $\phi = \phi_0(t) + \pi(t, \mathbf{x})$ leads to a sound speed c_s

$$X^2 \supset \phi_0^2(t) \dot{\pi}^2 \implies \mathcal{L}_\pi \sim \dot{\pi}^2 - c_s^2 (\partial_i \pi)^2$$

Dark energy models: Scalar-tensor theories

- Most general scalar-tensor theories with 2nd order EoM:
(Beyond) Horndeski

$$\mathcal{L}_2 = G_2(\phi, X)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_3 = G_3(\phi, X)\square\phi$$

$$\mathcal{L}_4 = G_4(\phi, X)R - 2G_{4,X}(\phi, X)[(\square\phi)^2 - \phi_{\mu\nu}\phi^{\mu\nu}] \\ - F_4(X, \phi)\epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}\epsilon^{\mu'\nu'\rho'\sigma'}\phi_\mu\phi_{\mu'}\phi_{\nu\nu'}\phi_{\rho\rho'}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_5 = G_5(\phi, X)G_{\mu\nu}\phi^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{3}G_{5,X}(\phi, X)[(\square\phi)^3 - 3(\square\phi)\phi_{\mu\nu}\phi^{\mu\nu} + 2\phi_{\mu\nu}\phi^{\sigma\mu}\phi^\nu{}_\sigma] \\ - F_5(\phi, X)\epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}\epsilon^{\mu'\nu'\rho'\sigma'}\phi_\mu\phi_{\mu'}\phi_{\nu\nu'}\phi_{\rho\rho'}\phi_{\sigma\sigma'}$$

$$\phi_\mu \equiv \nabla_\mu\phi$$

Horndeski 74, Deffayet et al. 11,
Zumalacárregui and García-Bellido 14, Gleyzes et al. 14

Dark energy models

- The cosmological background $\phi_0(t)$ spontaneously breaks Lorentz invariance
- Interesting phenomena for tensor perturbation γ_{ij} from second derivatives

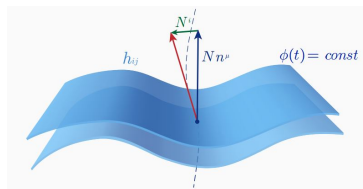
For example

$$(\nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \phi)^2 \supset \dot{\phi}_0^2 \dot{\gamma}_{ij}^2$$

$$\mathcal{L}_\gamma \sim \dot{\gamma}_{ij}^2 - c_T^2 (\partial_I \gamma_{ij})^2$$

EFT of Dark Energy

- Efficient way to study a perturbation around fixed background
- Spontaneously break time diffeomorphism



$$ds^2 = -N^2 dt^2 + h_{ij}(N^i dt + dx^i)(N^j dt + dx^j)$$

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} L[t; N, K_j^i, {}^{(3)}R, \dots] \quad g^{00} = -N^{-2}$$

- The action contains all possible invariances under 3d diffs

Cheung et al. 08,
Gubitosi et al. 12, and many others

EFT of Dark Energy

$$\begin{aligned} S^{\text{EFT}} = & \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{M_*^2}{2} f(t)^{(4)}R - \Lambda(t) - c(t)g^{00} \right. \\ & + \frac{m_2^2(t)}{2} (\delta g^{00})^2 - \frac{m_3^3(t)}{2} \delta K \delta g^{00} - m_4^2(t) \delta \mathcal{K}_2 + \frac{\tilde{m}_4^2(t)}{2} \delta g^{00(3)}R \\ & \left. - \frac{m_5^2(t)}{2} \delta g^{00} \delta \mathcal{K}_2 - \frac{m_6(t)}{3} \delta \mathcal{K}_3 - \tilde{m}_6(t) \delta g^{00} \delta \mathcal{G}_2 - \frac{m_7(t)}{3} \delta g^{00} \delta \mathcal{K}_3 \right] \end{aligned}$$

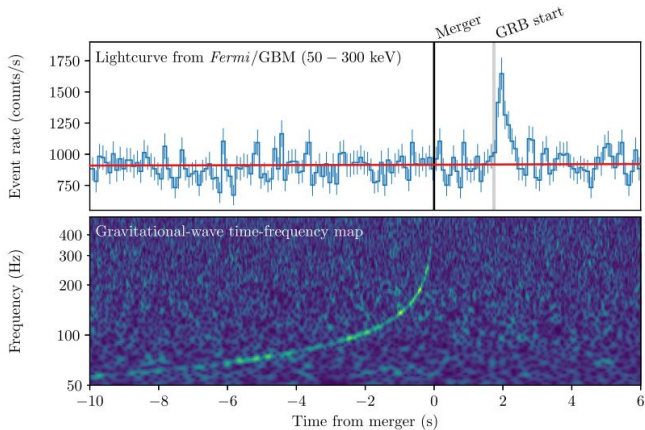
This term changes the speed of GWs

$$\delta \mathcal{K}_2 = \delta K^2 - \delta K_\nu^\mu \delta K_\mu^\nu \supset \dot{\gamma}_{ij}^2, \quad \delta K_\nu^\mu = K_\nu^\mu - H \delta_\nu^\mu$$

$$\delta \mathcal{G}_2 = \delta K_\nu^\mu ({}^{(3)}R)_\mu^\nu - \delta K ({}^{(3)}R)/2$$

$$\delta \mathcal{K}_3 = \delta K^3 - 3\delta K \delta K_\nu^\mu \delta K_\mu^\nu + 2\delta K_\nu^\mu \delta K_\rho^\mu \delta K_\nu^\rho$$

GW170817 = GRB170817A



$$|c_T^2 - 1| \lesssim 10^{-15}$$

LIGO/Virgo + *Fermi*/GBM + INTEGRAL 17

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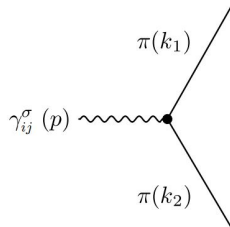
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- The EFT action becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{c_T=1}^{\text{EFT}} &= \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}{2} f(t) {}^{(4)}R - \Lambda(t) - c(t)g^{00} + \frac{m_2^2(t)}{2} (\delta g^{00})^2 - \frac{m_3^3(t)}{2} \delta K \delta g^{00} \\ &+ \frac{\tilde{m}_4^2(t)}{2} \delta g^{00} ({}^{(3)}R - \delta \mathcal{K}_2) \end{aligned}$$

Creminelli and Vernizzi 17,
Ezquiaga and Zumalacárregui 17,
Baker et al. 17, Sakstein and Jain 17

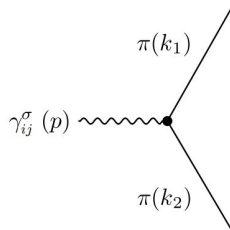
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$$\alpha_H = 2\tilde{m}_4^2/M_{\text{Pl}}^2, \quad \Lambda_3 = (M_{\text{Pl}}H_0^2)^{1/3}$$

- The perturbative decay rate: $\Gamma_{\gamma \rightarrow \pi\pi} \simeq \left(\frac{\alpha_H}{\Lambda_3^3}\right)^2 \frac{\omega^7(1-c_s^2)^2}{480\pi c_s^7}$

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- Large occupation number of GWs \implies non-perturbative effect, resonant π -production ?

EFT of DE with constraints

Recap most general EFT action with $c_T^2 = 1$: $S = S_0 + S_{m_3} + S_{\tilde{m}_4}$

$$S_0 = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}{2} ({}^{(4)}R - \lambda(t) - c(t)g^{00} + \frac{m_2^4(t)}{2} (\delta g^{00})^2) \right]$$

$$S_{m_3} = - \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \frac{m_3^3(t)}{2} \delta K \delta g^{00} \quad \text{Cubic Horndeski}$$

$$S_{\tilde{m}_4} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \frac{\tilde{m}_4^2(t)}{2} \delta g^{00} \left(({}^{(3)}R + \delta K_\mu^\nu \delta K_\nu^\mu - \delta K^2) \right)$$

Quartic beyond Horndeski

$$\delta g^{00} = 1 + g^{00}, \delta K_\nu^\mu = K_\nu^\mu - H \delta_\nu^\mu$$

Classification of instabilities

- $\mathcal{L}_0 + \mathcal{L}_{m_3} = \frac{1}{2}\dot{\gamma}_{ij}^2 - \frac{1}{2}(\partial_k \gamma_{ij})^2 + \frac{1}{2}\dot{\pi}^2 - \frac{c_s^2}{2}(\partial_i \pi)^2 + \frac{1}{\Lambda^2}\dot{\gamma}_{ij}\partial_i \pi \partial_j \pi$
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$$\mathcal{L}_\pi = \frac{1}{2}\dot{\pi}^2 - \frac{c_s^2}{2}(1 - \beta)(\partial_i \pi)^2$$

where

$$\beta = \frac{2\omega M_{\text{Pl}} h_0^+}{c_s^2 |\Lambda^2|}, \quad \Lambda^2 \simeq -\frac{\alpha \Lambda_2^2}{\sqrt{2} \alpha_B}, \quad \alpha_B \equiv -\frac{m_3^3}{2M_{\text{Pl}}^2 H}$$

$\beta < 1$: Resonant instability \Rightarrow Not applicable for m_3 and
improve bound for α_H (Creminelli, Tambalo, Vernizzi and VY 19)

$\beta > 1$: Gradient instability

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- Can the non-linearity quench the instability ?
- Study the stability at NL level with the bg. of π induced by GWs

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- Cubic Galileon w/o GWs: no ghost/gradient inst. for non-relativistic source (Nicolis and Rattazzi 04)

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- $\pi = \hat{\pi} + \delta\pi$. The kinetic matrix $Z^{\mu\nu}$ for $\delta\pi$ is

$$Z^{\mu\nu} \equiv -\frac{1}{2}\bar{\eta}^{\mu\nu} - 2(\mathcal{K}^{\mu\nu} - \eta^{\mu\nu}\mathcal{K}) + \frac{\dot{\gamma}_{\mu\nu}}{\Lambda^2}, \quad \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu} = -\frac{1}{\Lambda_B^3}\partial_\mu\partial_\nu\hat{\pi}$$

- The EoM for $\hat{\pi}$ is

$$\bar{\square}\hat{\pi} - \frac{2}{\Lambda_B^3} [(\partial_\mu\partial_\nu\hat{\pi})^2 - \square\hat{\pi}^2] - \frac{2}{\Lambda^2}\dot{\gamma}_{\mu\nu}\partial^\mu\partial^\nu\hat{\pi} - \frac{\Lambda_B^3}{2\Lambda^4}\dot{\gamma}_{\mu\nu}^2 = 0$$

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- Assume that $\gamma_{\mu\nu} = \gamma_{\mu\nu}(u)$
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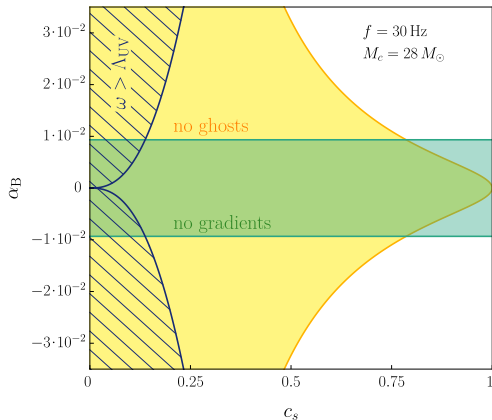
- The components of $Z^{\mu\nu}$ are

$$Z^{00} = \frac{1}{2} + 2\frac{\hat{\pi}''(u)}{\Lambda_B^3}, \quad Z^{03} = Z^{30} = 2\frac{\hat{\pi}''(u)}{\Lambda_B^3}, \quad Z^{33} = -\frac{1}{2}c_s^2 + 2\frac{\hat{\pi}''(u)}{\Lambda_B^3}$$

$$Z^{11} = -\frac{1}{2}c_s^2 + \frac{\dot{\gamma}^{11}}{\Lambda^2}, \quad Z^{22} = -\frac{1}{2}c_s^2 + \frac{\dot{\gamma}^{22}}{\Lambda^2}$$

Phenomenological consequences

- Free of gradient int.: $Z^{11}, Z^{22} < 0 \Rightarrow \beta < 1$
- Free of ghost int.: $Z^{00} > 0 \Rightarrow \beta^2 < (1 - c_s^2)c_s^{-4}$



Free of instabilities: $|\alpha_B| \lesssim 10^{-2}$

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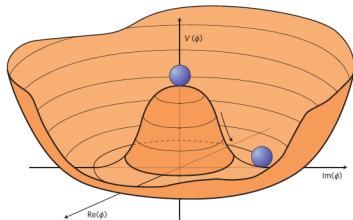
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- $\mathcal{L}_{\text{IR}} = \mathcal{P}(X)$ with constant X background \Rightarrow Ghost + gradient inst.

- $\mathcal{L}_{\text{UV}} = -|\partial\phi|^2 - \lambda(|\phi|^2 - v^2)^2$
 $\phi = \phi_0 e^{i\pi}, \langle \phi_0 \rangle = v^2 - \frac{X}{2\lambda},$
 $X = (\partial\pi)^2$



Ellis, et al. 15

All the modes are stable in the UV theory

Conclusion

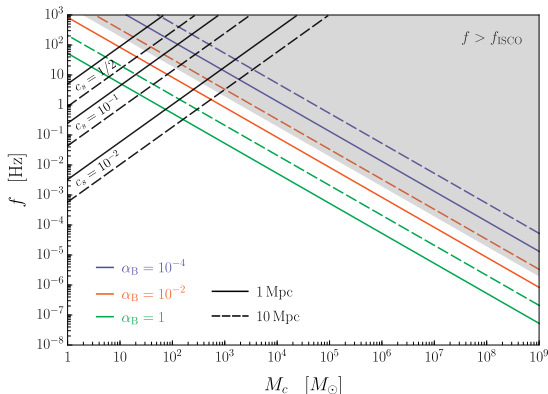
- Perturbative/Resonant decays of GWs \Rightarrow a strong bound on quartic beyond Horndeski (α_H)
- Ghost/Gradient instabilities of π in GWs bg. \Rightarrow a bound on Cubic Horndeski (α_B)
- The surviving scalar-tensor theory: $g_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow C(\phi, X)g_{\mu\nu}$

$$\mathcal{L} = G_2(\phi, X) + C(\phi, X)R + \frac{6C_{,X}(\phi, X)^2}{C(\phi, X)}\phi^{;\mu}\phi_{;\mu\nu}\phi_{;\lambda}\phi^{;\nu\lambda}$$

- Fate of instability relies on the UV completion

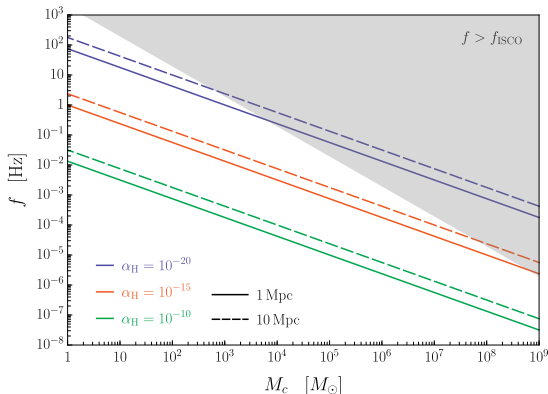
Backup

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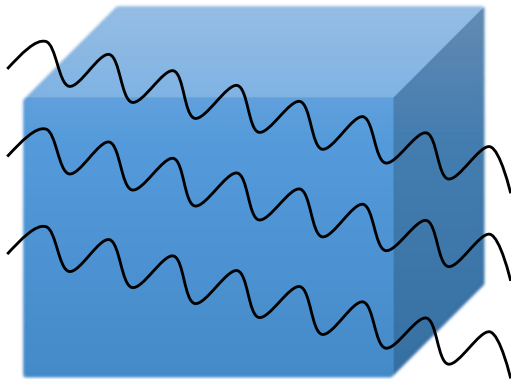
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Extra scalar field: Lorentz violating medium $\Rightarrow c_T \neq 1$



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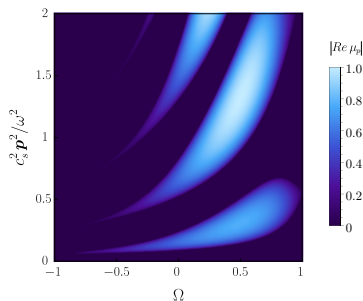
$$\Gamma/H_0 \lesssim 1 \Rightarrow |\alpha_B| \lesssim 10^{10}, \Lambda_2 \sim 10^{-3} \text{ eV}$$

Resonant decay of GWs

- In Fourier space f_p satisfies the Mathieu eq.

$$\frac{d^2 f}{d\tau^2} + [A - 2q \cos(2\tau)]f = 0$$

- $f_p \sim e^{\mu k \tau}$
- the exponent $\mu \sim \beta$ for $\beta < 1$ (Narrow resonance)
- Need ~ 700 cycles to reach $\rho_\pi \sim \rho_\gamma$



$$\tau = \frac{\omega u}{2}, \quad \Omega = p_z / |\mathbf{p}|$$

$$A = 4 \frac{c_s^2 \mathbf{p}^2}{\omega^2} \frac{(1 - c_s \Omega)^2}{(1 - c_s^2)^2}$$

$$q = 2\beta \frac{c_s^2 \mathbf{p}^2}{\omega^2} \frac{(1 - \Omega^2) \cos(2\phi)}{1 - c_s^2}$$

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- EoM of π for \tilde{m}_4^2 -operator

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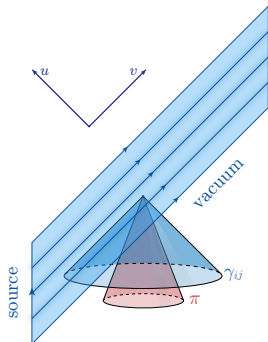
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- Light-cone coord.

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$$\pi(u, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}) \sim \int e^{i\tilde{\mathbf{p}} \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{x}}} f_{\tilde{\mathbf{p}}}(u) \hat{a}_{\tilde{\mathbf{p}}} + \text{h.c.}$$

- $f_p \sim e^{\mu_k \tau}$, $\mu \sim \beta < 1$ (Narrow resonance)



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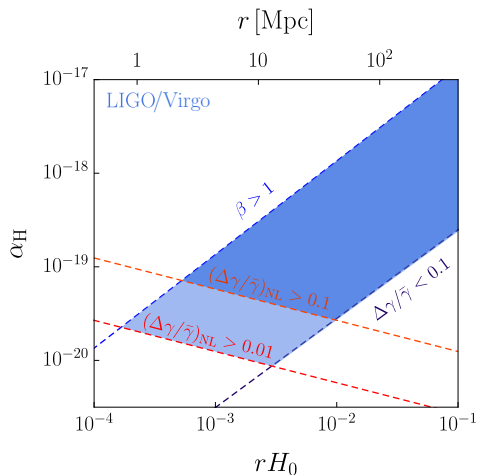
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We obtain

$$\frac{\Delta\gamma}{\bar{\gamma}} \lesssim (\beta N_{\text{cyc}})^{3/2} (rH_0)^2 \equiv \left(\frac{\Delta\gamma}{\bar{\gamma}} \right)_{NL}$$

Observational signature for \tilde{m}_4



$f = 30$ Hz, $M_c = 1.2M_\odot$
GW170817,
40 Mpc ($rH_0 \sim 5 \cdot 10^{-3}$)

perturbative bound: $\alpha_H \lesssim 10^{-10}$

What about the resonant effect from m_3^3 -term ?

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Vainshtein effect on the instability

- Suppose $\hat{\pi}$ is generated by a non-relativistic astrophysical object. The object possibly gives a large kinetic matrix Z for $\delta\pi$ and healthy (shown by Nicolis & Rattazzi) within r_V (\sim kpc). One sees that within this region the coupling $\delta\pi T$ is suppressed and GR is recovered at small scales (non-linear).
- Can this happen to the instability induced by GWs ? Suppose again $\hat{\pi}$ is sourced by an astrophysical object. $\delta\pi$ seems to acquire a large Z . The parameter β of $\gamma\pi\pi$ seems to get suppressed due to a large Z and the instability might be stopped by this screening mechanism. But this is not the case for the GWs traveling over the cosmo. distances (\gg the typical r_V) since at large distances one expects the linear perturbation theory is recovered, so that the Vainshtein mechanism is negligible. Hence, the argument of having large Z to suppress the instability is not applicable in the presence of GWs traveling over cosmo. distances and the instability still remains active.

Fate of instability

- Once the instability happens, a huge amount is damped into π 's until their backreaction stops the instability. Now it's quite hard to imagine the new π state will resemble to the original one and make the same predictions. We expect the unstable π 's at some point make the theory healthy again but this would affect the other predictions of the theory.
- It might be that EFT breaks down at instability and one cannot make prediction unless UV is known. But the frequency of π 's can be as low as 10^{10} km that means the small scale experiment cannot be explained by this EFT.

Instability of plane wave $\hat{\pi}$

- Let $\hat{\pi} = Af(u)$ (consider u-direction)
- $\square\hat{\pi}(u) = -4\partial_u\partial_v\hat{\pi}(u) = 0$
- $\partial_t^2\hat{\pi}(u) = Af''(u)$, $\partial_z^2\hat{\pi}(u) = Af''(u)$, $\partial_t\partial_z\hat{\pi}(u) = -Af''(u)$
- Without GWs: $Z^{\mu\nu} \equiv -\frac{1}{2}\eta^{\mu\nu} - 2(\mathcal{K}^{\mu\nu} - \eta^{\mu\nu}\mathcal{K})$, we have

$$Z^{00} = \frac{1}{2} + 2\frac{Af''(u)}{\Lambda_B^3}, \quad Z^{33} = -\frac{1}{2} + 2\frac{Af''(u)}{\Lambda_B^3}, \quad Z^{03} = 2\frac{Af''(u)}{\Lambda_B^3}$$

$$Z^{11} = Z^{22} = -1/2$$

- Ghost: $Z^{00} < 0 \Rightarrow Af'' < -\Lambda_B^3/4$.
- No gradient: $Z^{11}, Z^{22} < 0$ and $(Z^{03})^2 - Z^{33}Z^{00} = 1/4 > 0$
- Non-diagonalizable $Z^{\mu\nu}$: $2|Z^{03}| = |Z^{00} + Z^{33}|$ (avoid the theorem)

Observational signature for \tilde{m}_4

- For a binary system (M_c, f, r) : $h_0^+ \sim 10^{-3}/(fN_{\text{cyc}}r)$
- Sizeable effect in GW waveform requires $\exp(\beta\omega u/4) \sim \mathcal{O}(10^2)$

$$\frac{\Delta\gamma}{\bar{\gamma}} > 0.1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \alpha_H \gtrsim 10^{-17} \cdot rH_0 \cdot \frac{\Lambda_3}{2\pi f} \alpha c_s^2$$

- Our calculation is valid when $\beta < 1$

$$\alpha_H \lesssim \frac{H_0}{f} \cdot N_{\text{cyc}} \cdot rH_0 \quad , \quad N_{\text{cyc}} \sim (GM_c f)^{-5/3}$$

- To neglect effect of NL, demands $(\Delta\gamma/\bar{\gamma})_{NL} > 0.1$

$$\alpha_H \gtrsim \frac{H_0}{f} (rH_0)^{1/3}$$

$c_T^2 = 1$ from GW170817 & GRB170817A

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{c_T=1}^{\text{EFT}} &= \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}{2} f(t) {}^{(4)}R - \Lambda(t) - c(t)g^{00} + \frac{m_2^2(t)}{2} (\delta g^{00})^2 - \frac{m_3^3(t)}{2} \delta K \delta g^{00} \\ &+ \frac{\tilde{m}_4^2(t)}{2} \delta g^{00} {}^{(3)}R - \delta \mathcal{K}_2\end{aligned}$$

In the covariant theory

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{c_T=1} &= G_2(\phi, X) + G_3(\phi, X) \square \phi + B_4(\phi, X) {}^{(4)}R \\ &- \frac{4}{X} B_{4,X}(\phi, X) (\phi^\mu \phi^\nu \phi_{\mu\nu} \square \phi - \phi^\mu \phi_{\mu\nu} \phi_\lambda \phi^{\lambda\nu})\end{aligned}$$

$$B_4 \equiv G_4 + XG_{5,\phi}/2$$

Summary of the results

EFT of DE operator	$\frac{1}{2}\tilde{m}_4^2 \delta g^{00} ({}^{(3)}R + \delta K_{\mu}^{\nu} \delta K_{\nu}^{\mu} - \delta K^2)$	$m_3^3 \delta g^{00} \delta K$
GLPV theories with $c_T = 1$ $\mathcal{L} = G_2 + G_3 \square \phi + B_4 R - \frac{4B_{4,X}}{X} (\phi^{;\mu} \phi^{;\nu} \phi_{;\mu\nu} \square \phi - \phi^{;\mu} \phi_{;\mu\nu} \phi_{;\lambda} \phi^{;\lambda\nu})$	$-\frac{2XB_{4,X}}{B_4}$	$\frac{2XB_{4,X}}{B_4} + \frac{\phi X G_{3,X}}{2HB_4}$
Dimensionless function α_i	α_H	α_B
Perturbative decay ($\Gamma_{\gamma \rightarrow \pi\pi}/H_0 > 1$)	$ \alpha_H \gtrsim 10^{-10}$	Irrelevant ($ \alpha_B \gtrsim 10^{10}$)
Narrow resonance ($\beta < 1, \beta\omega u > 1$)	$3 \times 10^{-20} \lesssim \alpha_H \lesssim 10^{-17}$ with LIGO-Virgo $10^{-16} \lesssim \alpha_H \lesssim 10^{-10}$ with LISA	Not applicable (large non-linearities)
Instability ($\beta > 1, \beta\omega > 1$)	$ \alpha_H \gtrsim 10^{-20}$	$ \alpha_B \gtrsim 10^{-2}$

The surviving scalar-tensor theory: $g_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow C(\phi, X)g_{\mu\nu}$

$$\mathcal{L} = G_2(\phi, X) + C(\phi, X)R + \frac{6C_{,X}(\phi, X)^2}{C(\phi, X)} \phi^{;\mu} \phi_{;\mu\nu} \phi_{;\lambda} \phi^{;\nu\lambda}$$

Here the Lagrangian is

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2}\eta^{\mu\nu}\partial_\mu\pi\partial_\nu\pi - \frac{1}{\Lambda_B^3}\square\pi(\partial\pi)^2 + \frac{\pi T}{2M_{\text{Pl}}}$$

- $\pi = \hat{\pi} + \delta\pi$, the EoM for $\hat{\pi}$ is

$$\mathcal{K} + 2(\mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}\mathcal{K}^{\mu\nu} - \mathcal{K}^2) = \frac{T}{2M_{\text{Pl}}\Lambda_B^3}, \quad \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu} = -\frac{1}{\Lambda_B^3}\partial_\mu\partial_\nu\hat{\pi}$$

- The kinetic matrix reads: $\mathcal{L}_{\delta\pi} = Z^{\mu\nu}\partial_\mu\delta\pi\partial_\nu\delta\pi$

$$Z^{\mu\nu} \equiv -\frac{1}{2}\eta^{\mu\nu} - 2(\mathcal{K}^{\mu\nu} - \eta^{\mu\nu}\mathcal{K})$$

Stability in the absence of GWs

- In terms of $Z_{\mu\nu}$ the EoM of $\hat{\pi}$ becomes

$$\frac{1}{3}Z^2 - (Z_{\mu\nu})^2 = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{T}{M_{\text{Pl}}\Lambda_{\text{B}}^3}$$

- For the non-relativistic source $v \ll 1$, the matrix $Z^{\mu\nu}$ is diagonalizable with a Lorentz boost, so that $Z_{\nu}^{\mu} = \text{diag}(z_0, z_1, z_2, z_3)$ and $T \simeq -\rho \leq 0$
- Consider the plane $z_0 = 0$ in z_i -space

$$-\frac{1}{3} [(z_1 - z_2)^2 + (z_1 - z_3)^2 + (z_2 - z_3)^2] = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{\rho}{M_{\text{Pl}}\Lambda_{\text{B}}^3}$$

⇒ A solution crossing the plane doesn't exist

⇒ The initial stable solution ($Z^{\mu\nu} = -\eta^{\mu\nu}/2$) remains stable everywhere

DGP - Self-accelerating Universe

- Cubic Gal. $(\partial\pi)^2 \square\pi$ is inspired by the **DGP** model
- $5d$ gravity theory (∞ -extra dim) - Bulk is **Mink₅**
- Two branches on the brane: **self-accelerating** and **FRW (normal)**

$$4M_4^2(R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu}R) - 4M_5^3(K_{\mu\nu} - g_{\mu\nu}K) = T_{\mu\nu}$$

⇒ Acceleration happens w/o cosmological constant

- The brane bending mode π becomes **ghost** in self-accelerating branch

Dvali, Gabadadze and Porrati 2000,
Luty et al. 2003 and many others

DGP - Instability of π

- Study an instability of π in the presence of GWs
- Consider a curved 5d spacetime G_{MN} and $G_{MN} = \bar{G}_{MN} + H_{MN}$
- On the boundary, $S_{\text{bdy}} = S_{4\text{dEH}} + S_{\text{In5dEH}} + S_{\text{In5dGF}}$ and $H_{\mu\nu}| = h_{\mu\nu}$,
 $H_{\mu y}| = \partial_\mu \pi$, $H_{yy}| = -2\bar{\Delta}\pi$, $\bar{\Delta} = \sqrt{-\bar{D}^2}$

$$S_{\text{bdy}}^{(2)} \supset M_5^3 \pi (\bar{K}^{\mu\nu} \bar{D}_\mu \bar{D}_\nu - \bar{K} \bar{D}^2) \pi$$

neglecting $\bar{K}h^2$, $\bar{K}h\bar{\Delta}\pi$ at high energy limit

\Rightarrow In the presence of GWs bg. $\bar{G}_{\mu\nu}$, the instability of π is solely determined by $\bar{K}_{\mu\nu} \sim \bar{\Delta} \bar{G}_{\mu\nu} + \nabla_\mu N_\nu$

How large is this new piece ?

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DGP - Modification of Green function

- To tackle this problem, let's consider a propagator of a massless scalar field on the brane

$$G_E(p) \sim \frac{1}{p^2 + 2\kappa p}, \quad p = \sqrt{p_4^2 + \mathbf{p}^2}$$

The linear in p is due to the induced action on the brane.

- The y -derivative of Lorentzian Green function in terms of (ω, r) is

$$\partial_y G(\omega, r) \sim \kappa G(\omega, r) + \frac{\omega^2}{(\omega r)^{3/2}} e^{-i\omega r}$$

\Rightarrow Both terms are suppressed in the limit $\omega r \gg 1$

Any other example where
the modification of propagator is sizeable ?

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Some formulas

Canonical normalizations

$$\pi_c \equiv \sqrt{\alpha} M_{\text{Pl}} H \pi, \quad \gamma_{ij}^c \equiv \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}}{\sqrt{2}} \gamma_{ij}. \quad (1)$$

$$\alpha \equiv \frac{4M_{\text{Pl}}^2(c + 2m_2^4) + 3m_3^6}{2M_{\text{Pl}}^4 H^2} \quad (2)$$

$$c_s^2 = \frac{2}{\alpha} \left[(1 + \alpha_H)^2 \frac{c}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2 H^2} + \alpha_H + \alpha_H (1 + \alpha_H) \frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} \right] \quad (3)$$

α_B : scalar-gravity mixing, α_H : scalar-matter mixing.

$$g_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow C(\phi, X)g_{\mu\nu} + D(\phi, X)\partial_\mu\phi\partial_\mu\phi \quad (4)$$

- Horn is preserved under this transf. with $C(\phi)$ and $D(\phi)$
- If $D = D(\phi, X) \implies$ Beyond Horn. which is preserved under this with $C(\phi)$ and $D(\phi, X)$
- If $C = C(\phi, X) \implies$ DHOST

Beyond Hondeski structure is preseved under disformal tranf.

$g_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow C(\phi)g_{\mu\nu} + D(\phi, X)\partial_\mu\phi\partial_\mu\phi$. Once we perform this field redefinition (the disformal coefficient D depends on derivative of ϕ) we obtain a kinetic mixing between scalar and matter: α_H

Some formulas

$$M^2 \equiv M_*^2 f + 2m_4^2 = 2G_4 - 4XG_{4,X} - X(G_{5,\phi} + 2H\dot{\phi}G_{5,X}) + 2X^2F_4 - 6H\dot{\phi}X^2F_5 ,$$

$$m_4^2 = \tilde{m}_4^2 + X^2F_4 - 3H\dot{\phi}X^2F_5 ,$$

$$\tilde{m}_4^2 = -[2XG_{4,X} + XG_{5,\phi} + (H\dot{\phi} - \ddot{\phi})XG_{5,X}] ,$$

$$m_5^2 = X[2G_{4,X} + 4XG_{4,XX} + H\dot{\phi}(3G_{5,X} + 2XG_{5,XX}) + G_{5,\phi} + XG_{5,X\phi} - 4XF_4 - 2X^2F_{4,X} + H\dot{\phi}X(15F_5 + 6XF_{5,X})] ,$$

$$m_6 = \tilde{m}_6 - 3\dot{\phi}X^2F_5 ,$$

$$\tilde{m}_6 = -\dot{\phi}XG_{5,X} ,$$

$$m_7 = \frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}X(3G_{5,X} + 2XG_{5,XX} + 15XF_5 + 6X^2F_{5,X}) .$$

The narrow resonance

- Boltzmann equation: $\phi \rightarrow \chi\chi$

$$\frac{1}{a^3} \frac{d(a^3 n_\chi)}{dt} = \frac{2}{V} \Gamma_{\phi \rightarrow \chi\chi} [(n_k^\chi + 1)(n_{-k}^\chi + 1)n_0^\phi - n_k^\chi n_{-k}^\chi (1 + n_0^\phi)]$$
$$\simeq 2\Gamma_{\phi \rightarrow \chi\chi} n_\phi (1 + 2n_k^\chi)$$

$$n_{k=m/2}^\chi \simeq \frac{n_\chi}{(4\pi k_0^2 \Delta k)/(2\pi)^3} \simeq \frac{\pi^2 \Phi}{g} \frac{n_\chi}{n_\phi}$$

$$n_\chi \propto \exp\left(\frac{\pi^2 g \Phi}{m^2} N\right) \propto \exp(2\pi \mu_B N)$$

$$N = mt/2\pi, \quad \mu_B \equiv \frac{\pi g \Phi}{2m^2}$$

