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# Towards gravitational theories with two tensorial degrees of freedom

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*[Based on: 1910.13995, 2011.00805, 2104.07615, 2302.02090]*

# Introduction and motivation

# Why all these?

## Phenomenological side:

- (2011 Nobel prize)  
To explain the early and late accelerated expansion of our universe.
- (2017 Nobel prize)  
The gravitational waves have been detected, which are new tools to test gravity theories.

## Theoretical side:

To understand if and why GR is **unique**.

“The best way to understand something is to modify it.”

# Playing with DoF's

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The key question (task):

Keeping the correct degrees of freedom (DoF's).

To **introduce** the **wanted** DoF's.

To **eliminate** the **unwanted** DoF's.

# Two faces of modified gravity

Extra mode(s) without ghost(s).

(2011 Nobel prize)  
Dark energy / Inflation



“Gravity” is partly  
described by GR.

(Horndeski, DHOST, Horava,  
EFT of inflation, dRGT, SCG ...)

Non-GR theory for the TTDOFs.

(2017 Nobel prize)  
Gravitational waves (GWs)



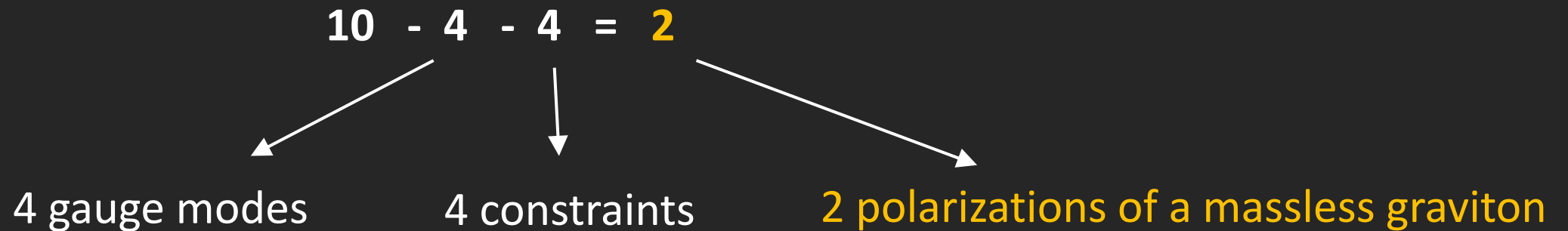
“Gravity” is carried by the  
same DoF's of GR, but behave  
differently from that of GR.

(Cuscuton, MMG, 4dEGB, TTDOF, ...)

# Uniqueness of GR

GR is the unique theory (kinetic term) for the **TTDOFs**, if we require **Lorentz invariance and locality**.

Degrees of freedom in GR:



**TTDOFs** = **T**ransverse and **T**raceless DOFs  
= **T**wo **T**ensorial DOFs

# Uniqueness of GR

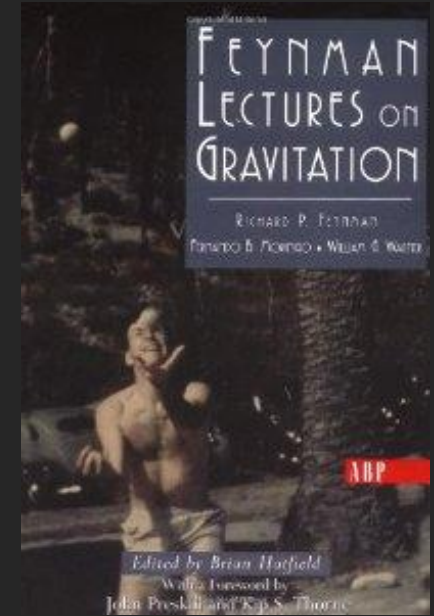
$$h_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} - \eta_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_2 = c_1 \partial_\lambda h^{\mu\nu} \partial^\lambda h_{\mu\nu} + c_2 \partial_\mu h^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu h + c_3 \partial_\nu h^{\mu\nu} \partial^\lambda h_{\mu\lambda} + c_4 \partial_\mu h \partial^\mu h$$



$$\delta_\xi h_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu \xi_\nu + \partial_\nu \xi_\mu$$

$$c_1 = -\frac{1}{4}, \quad c_2 = -\frac{1}{2}, \quad c_3 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad c_4 = \frac{1}{4}.$$



# Uniqueness of GR

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L}_2 \simeq & - \underline{(c_1 + c_2 + c_3 + c_4)} \dot{h}_{00}^2 + \underline{(c_1 + c_4)} \partial_i h_{00} \partial_i h_{00} \\
 & + \underline{(2c_1 + c_3)} \dot{h}_{0i} \dot{h}_{0i} - c_3 \partial_i h_{0i} \partial_j h_{0j} - 2c_1 \partial_j h_{0i} \partial_j h_{0i} \\
 & + 2 \underline{(c_2 + c_3)} \dot{h}_{00} \partial_i h_{0i} \\
 & + 2h_{0i} \left( c_2 \partial_i \dot{h}_{jj} + c_3 \partial_j \dot{h}_{ij} \right) \\
 & + h_{00} \left[ 2c_4 \partial_i^2 h_{kk} - \underline{(c_2 + 2c_4)} \ddot{h}_{ii} + c_2 \partial_i \partial_j h_{ij} \right] \\
 & - c_1 \dot{h}_{ij}^2 - c_4 \dot{h}_{ii}^2 + c_4 \partial_j h_{kk} \partial_j h_{ii} + c_3 \partial_j h_{ij} \partial_k h_{ik} + c_2 \partial_j h_{ii} \partial_k h_{kj} + c_1 \partial_k h_{ij} \partial_k h_{ij}.
 \end{aligned}$$

“resummation”  $\longrightarrow$  GR

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_n \mathcal{L}_n = \sqrt{-\det(\eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu})} R[\eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}] \equiv \sqrt{g} R[g]$$



# Uniqueness of GR

How about for the **massive** gravitons (5 DOFs)?

Mass (potential) terms:

$$\mathcal{L}_2^{(\text{p})} = -\frac{1}{2}m^2 (h_{\mu\nu}h^{\mu\nu} - h^2) \equiv \mathcal{L}_{\text{FP}} \quad (\text{Fierz-Pauli mass term})$$

$$\sum_n \mathcal{L}_n^{(\text{p})} \simeq \sqrt{-g}\mathcal{L}_{\text{dRGT}}$$

*[C. de Rham, G. Gabadadze, A. Tolley, 1011.1232]*

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How about for the **massive** gravitons (5 DOFs)?

Kinetic terms:

Very likely GR is also the unique **kinetic** term for the **massive** gravitons, with **Lorentz invariance and locality**.

*[C. de Rham, A. Matas, A. Tolley, 1311.6485]*

*[**XG**, 1403.6781]*

## **New kinetic interactions for massive gravity?**

**Claudia de Rham, Andrew Matas and Andrew J Tolley**

### **Abstract**

We show that there can be **no new Lorentz invariant kinetic interactions** free from the Boulware–Deser ghost in four dimensions in the metric formulation of gravity, beyond the standard Einstein–Hilbert, up to total derivatives. We

# Uniqueness of GR

Einstein equation is quite unique.

$$\alpha G_{\mu\nu} + \lambda g_{\mu\nu} = 0$$

[Lovelock, 1971]

Any metric theory of gravity alternative to GR must satisfy (at least):

- extra degrees of freedom,
- extra dimensions (e.g., brane world),
- higher derivative terms (e.g.,  $f(R)$ ),
- non-Riemannian geometry (e.g.,  $f(T)$ ),
- giving up locality.

# Non-GR theories for the TTDOFs

How about to abandon Lorentz invariance?

Only **spatial covariance**,  
but without introducing the **unwanted scalar mode**?

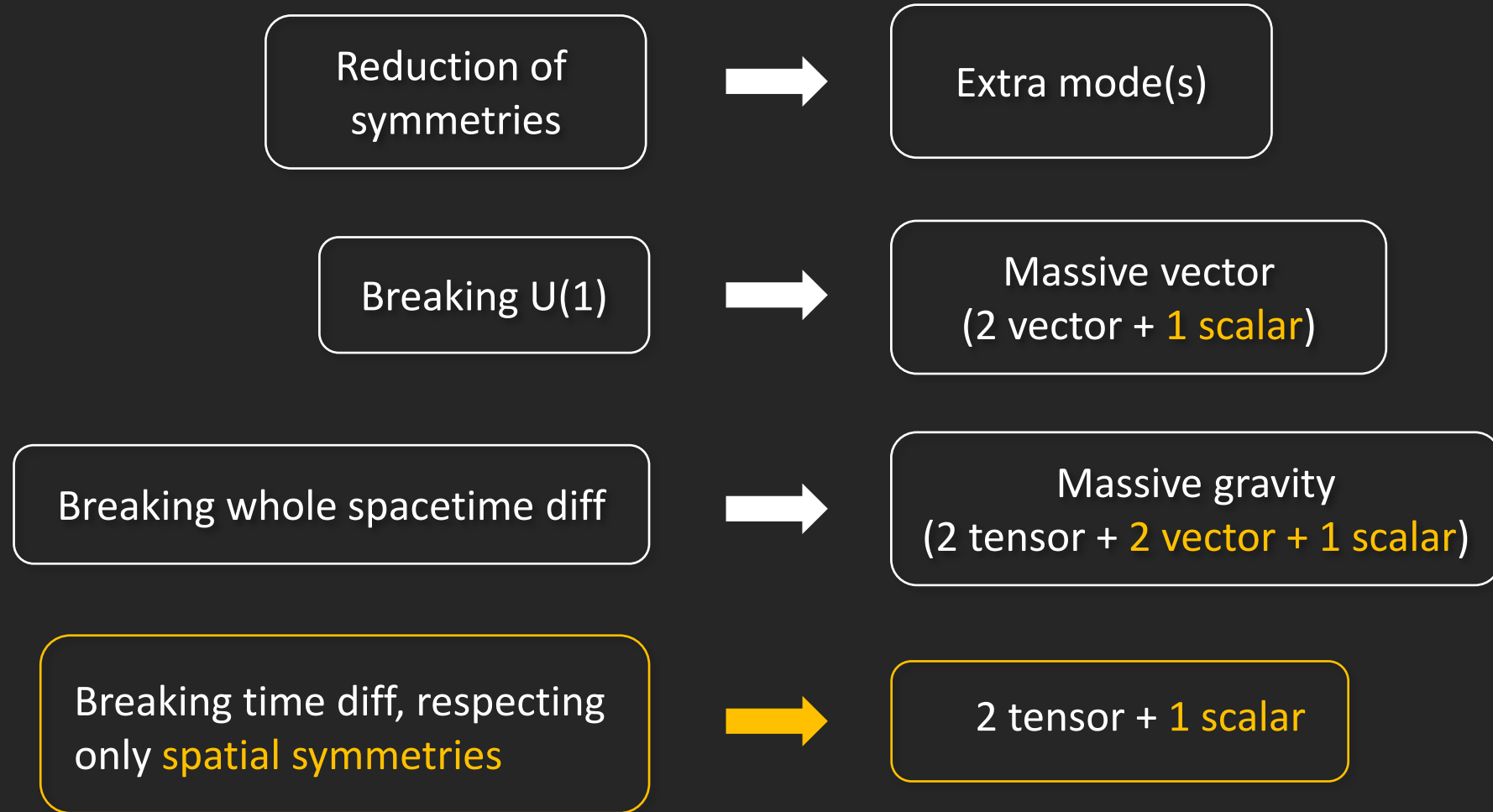
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[XG, et al: 1406.0822 , 1409.6708, 1806.02811, 1902.07702,  
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**2 tensor + 1 scalar** DoFs with higher derivative EoMs.

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## Causal field theory with an infinite speed of sound

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We introduce a model of scalar field dark energy, *Cuscuton*, which can be realized as the **incompressible (or infinite speed of sound) limit of a scalar field theory** with a noncanonical kinetic term (or *k*-essence). Even though perturbations of Cuscuton propagate superluminally, we show that they have a locally



(cuscuta, 菟丝子)

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Only 2 DOFs when the scalar field is timelike (e.g., in a cosmological background).


[H. Gomes, D. Guariento, 1703.08226]

The scalar mode becomes an instantaneous mode (with an infinite speed of sound) and effectively non-dynamical.

[A. De Felice, D. Langlois, S. Mukohyama, K. Noui, A. Wang, 1803.06241]

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \left( \dot{\psi}^2 - c_s^2 (\partial_i \psi)^2 \right)$$

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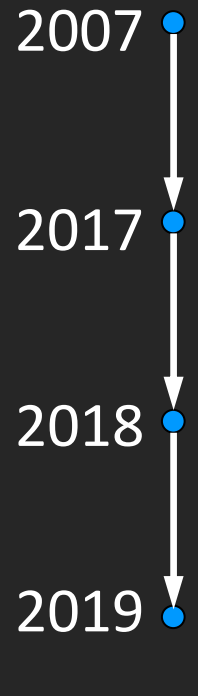
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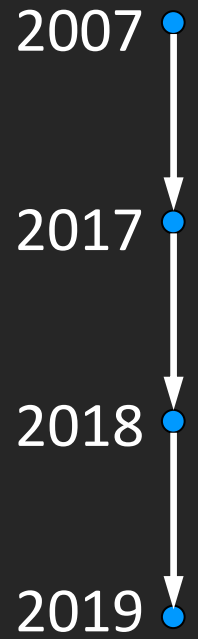
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# Spatially covariant gravity with TTDOFs

# General case of spatially covariant gravity

[XG, Z.-B. Yao, 1910.13995]

$$\tilde{S} = \int dt d^3x N \sqrt{h} \mathcal{L}(N, h_{ij}, K_{ij}, R_{ij}, \nabla_i; t)$$

$$S = \tilde{S}_B + \int dt d^3x \frac{\delta \tilde{S}_B}{\delta B_{ij}} (K_{ij} - B_{ij}) \quad \tilde{S}_B \equiv \tilde{S} \Big|_{K_{ij} \rightarrow B_{ij}}$$

$$\{\Phi_I\} \equiv \{N, N^i, h_{ij}, B_{ij}\}$$

$$\{\Pi^I\} \equiv \{\pi, \pi_i, \pi^{ij}, p^{ij}\}$$

16 primary constraints:

$$\pi := \frac{\delta S}{\delta \dot{N}} \approx 0 \quad \pi^i := \frac{\delta S}{\delta \dot{N}^i} \approx 0$$

$$\tilde{\pi}^{ij} := \pi^{ij} - \frac{1}{2N} \frac{\delta \tilde{S}_B}{\delta B_{ij}} \approx 0 \quad p^{ij} := \frac{\delta S}{\delta \dot{B}_{ij}} \approx 0$$



# Playing with the Poisson brackets

[XG, Z.-B. Yao, 1910.13995]

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	$\tilde{\pi}^{ij}$		0			0
	$p^{ij}$		0			0
4 secondary	$C$					0
	$C_i$	0	0	0	0	0

Spatial covariance

$$\begin{aligned}
 \#_{\text{DOF}} &= \frac{1}{2} (2 \times \#_{\text{var}} - 2 \times \#_1 - \#_2) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} (2 \times 16 - 2 \times 6 - 14) \\
 &= 3
 \end{aligned}$$

[XG, 1409.6708, ...]

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must be degenerate!

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Case of GR.  
(Enhancement of  
the time symm.)

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	$\pi^i$	0	0	0	0	0	0
	$\tilde{\pi}^{ij}$		0			0	
	$p^{ij}$		0			0	
5 secondary	$\mathcal{C}$		0			0	
	$\mathcal{C}_i$	0	0	0	0	0	0
	$\Phi$		0			0	

Case 2:  
Nullity = 1

$$\begin{aligned}
 \#_{\text{DOF}} &= \frac{1}{2} (2 \times \#_{\text{var}} - 2 \times \#_1 - \#_2) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} (2 \times 16 - 2 \times 7 - 14) \\
 &= 2
 \end{aligned}$$

# TTDOF conditions

[XG, Z.-B. Yao, 1910.13995]

We got 2 TTDOF conditions.

(1) degeneracy condition:

The  $\{N, K_{ij}\}$ -sector must be degenerate.

$$0 \approx \mathcal{S}(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) \equiv \frac{\delta^2 S_B}{\delta N(\vec{x}) \delta N(\vec{y})} - \int d^3 x' \int d^3 y' N(\vec{x}') \frac{\delta}{\delta N(\vec{x})} \left( \frac{1}{N(\vec{x}') \delta B_{i'j'}(\vec{x}')} \frac{\delta S_B}{\delta B_{i'j'}(\vec{x}')} \right) \\ \times \mathcal{G}_{i'j',k'l'}(\vec{x}', \vec{y}') N(\vec{y}') \frac{\delta}{\delta N(\vec{y})} \left( \frac{1}{N(\vec{y}') \delta B_{k'l'}(\vec{y}')} \frac{\delta S_B}{\delta B_{k'l'}(\vec{y}')} \right)$$

(2) consistency condition:

To completely eliminate the single (extra scalar) DOF, otherwise the dimension of the phase space would be odd.

$$0 \approx \mathcal{J}(\vec{x}, \vec{y}) \equiv \int d^3 x' \int d^3 y' \int d^3 x'' \int d^3 y'' \frac{\delta C(\vec{x})}{\delta B_{ij}(\vec{x}')} \mathcal{G}_{ij,i'j'}(\vec{x}', \vec{x}'') \\ \times N(\vec{x}'') \frac{\delta^2 S_B}{\delta h_{i'j'}(\vec{x}'') \delta B_{k'l'}(\vec{y}'')} \mathcal{G}_{k'l',kl}(\vec{y}'', \vec{y}') \frac{\delta C(\vec{y})}{\delta B_{kl}(\vec{y}')} \\ - \int d^3 x' \int d^3 y' \frac{\delta C(\vec{x})}{\delta B_{ij}(\vec{x}')} \mathcal{G}_{ij,kl}(\vec{x}', \vec{y}') N(\vec{y}') \frac{\delta C(\vec{y})}{\delta h_{kl}(\vec{y}')} - (\vec{x} \leftrightarrow \vec{y})$$



# Special cases

## (1) “minimally modified gravity”

[C. Lin, S. Mukohyama, 1708.03757]

$$S = \int dt d^3x \sqrt{h} N F(K_{ij}, R_{ij}, h_{ij}, \nabla_i; t)$$

The “degeneracy” condition is automatically satisfied, while the “consistency” condition must be satisfied.

## (2) “extended cuscuton” (SCG without spatial der.)

[A. Lyonaga, K. Takahashi, T. Kobayashi, 1809.10935]

$$S = \int dt d^3x N \sqrt{h} \mathcal{L}(N, h_{ij}, K_{ij}, R_{ij}; t)$$

The “degeneracy” condition must be satisfied, then the “consistency” condition is also needed.

# A concrete example

[XG, Z.-B. Yao, 1910.13995]

Quadratic in  $K_{ij}$ :

$$\mathcal{S}^{(\text{quad})} = \int dt d^3x N \sqrt{h} \left[ \frac{N}{\beta_2 + N} K^{ij} K_{ij} - \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{2N}{\beta_1 + N} + \frac{N}{\beta_2 + N} \right) K^2 \right. \\ \left. + \rho_1 + \rho_2 R + \frac{1}{N} (\rho_3 + \rho_4 R) \right],$$

GR:  $\beta_1 = \beta_2 = \rho_3 = \rho_4 = 0, \quad \rho_1 = \text{const.} \quad \rho_2 = 1$

Cuscuton:  $\beta_1 = \beta_2 = \rho_4 = 0, \quad \rho_2 = 1$

# A concrete example

[A. Lyonaga, T. Kobayashi, 2109.10615]

## II. SPATIALLY COVARIANT GRAVITY WITH TWO TENSORIAL DEGREES OF FREEDOM

In this section, we introduce a class of spatially covariant modified gravity in which there are just two tensorial d.o.f. [19] and in particular there is no scalar d.o.f.

### A. “Scalarless” scalar-tensor theories

- evade solar system tests as far as the ppN parameter  $\gamma$  is concerned;
- $c_{GW} = 1$  (as  $\alpha_2 = 1, \alpha_4 = 0$ )
- no modification to asymptotically flat black holes (at rest with respect to the preferred frame);
- cosmological dynamics can be identical to  $\Lambda$ CDM.

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \int dt d^3x N \sqrt{\gamma} \left[ \frac{\beta_0 N}{\beta_2 + N} K_{ij} K^{ij} - \frac{\beta_0}{3} \left( \frac{2N}{\beta_1 + N} + \frac{N}{\beta_2 + N} \right) K^2 + \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 R + \frac{1}{N} (\alpha_3 + \alpha_4 R) \right], \quad (3)$$

# A concrete example

[N. Bartolo, A. Ganz, S. Matarrese, 2111.06794]

## 3 Generalized Cuscuton

In [4] the authors constructed a spatial covariant gravity theory up to the quadratic level in derivatives of the metric with just two tensor degrees of freedom which can be understood as a generalization of the cuscuton model in the unitary gauge. The action is given by

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{h} N \left[ \frac{N}{b_2 + N} K_{ij} K^{ij} - \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{2N}{b_1 + N} + \frac{N}{b_2 + N} \right) K^2 + \rho_1 + (1 + \rho_2) \bar{R} + \frac{1}{N} (\rho_3 + \rho_4 \bar{R}) \right], \quad (3.1)$$

$$\delta_2 S = \int d^3k d\tau \frac{1}{2} z^2(k, \tau) \left[ \tilde{\xi}'^2 - c_s^2(k, \tau) \frac{k^2}{a^2} \tilde{\xi}^2 \right], \quad (3.6)$$

where

$$z^2(k, \tau) = 2a^2 \alpha \frac{b(1 + \rho_2)^2 k^4 + d_1 \mathcal{H}^2 k^2 + d_2 \mathcal{H}^4}{b(1 + \rho_2)^2 k^4 + d_3 \mathcal{H}^2 k^2 + d_4 \mathcal{H}^4}, \quad (3.7)$$

$$c_s^2(k, \tau) = \frac{b^2(1 + \rho_2)^4 k^8 + b d_5 \mathcal{H}^2 k^6 + d_6 \mathcal{H}^4 k^4 + d_7 \mathcal{H}^6 k^2 + d_8 \mathcal{H}^8}{b^2(1 + \rho_2)^2 k^8 + b d_9 \mathcal{H}^2 k^6 + d_{10} \mathcal{H}^4 k^4 + d_{11} \mathcal{H}^6 k^2 + d_{12} \mathcal{H}^8}, \quad (3.8)$$

# Perturbative analysis

# Construct the Lagrangian perturbatively

[Y. Hu, **XG**, 2104.07615]

TTDOF conditions are too complicated.

**Question:** how to find concrete Lagrangians?

# A simple example

[Y. Hu, **XG**, 2104.07615]

The most general local and spatially covariant Lagrangian with d=2:

$$\mathcal{L} = c_1 K_{ij} K^{ij} + c_2 a_i a^i + c_3 K^2 + c_4 R$$

Expanding around an FRW background:

$$N = \bar{N} e^A, \quad N_i = \bar{N} a \partial_i B, \quad h_{ij} = a^2 e^{2\zeta} \delta_{ij}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} &= \mathcal{L}_2(A, B, \zeta, \dot{\zeta}) + \mathcal{L}_3(A, B, \zeta, \dot{\zeta}) + \mathcal{L}_4(A, B, \zeta, \dot{\zeta}) + \dots \\ &\Downarrow A=A(\zeta, \dot{\zeta}), \quad B=B(\zeta, \dot{\zeta}) \\ &= \mathcal{L}_2(\zeta, \dot{\zeta}) + \mathcal{L}_3(\zeta, \dot{\zeta}) + \mathcal{L}_4(\zeta, \dot{\zeta}) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

By killing the kinetic term  $\dot{\zeta}$  order by order, we can determine the coefficients.

# A simple example

[Y. Hu, **XG**, 2104.07615]

- Killing  $\zeta$  at the 2<sup>nd</sup> order:

$$\mathcal{L} = c_1 \hat{K}_{ij} \hat{K}^{ij} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{C_1 N}{1 + C_2 N} K^2 + c_4 R, \quad \hat{K}_{ij} = K_{ij} - \frac{1}{3} K h_{ij}$$

GR is a special case:

$$c_1 = c_4 = 1, \quad |C_1|, |C_2| \rightarrow \infty, \quad \text{keeping} \quad \frac{C_1}{C_2} = -2.$$

- Killing  $\zeta$  at the 3<sup>rd</sup> order:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{C_5 C_1 N}{1 - 2C_5 C_2 N} \left( K_{ij} K^{ij} - \frac{1}{3} K^2 \right) + \frac{1}{3} \frac{C_1 N}{1 + C_2 N} K^2 + \left( C_3 + \frac{C_4}{N} \right) R$$



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Lagrangian got by the perturbative analysis:

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Reproduce the full TTDOF Lagrangian.

Lagrangian got by constraint analysis:

[**XG**, Z.-B. Yao, 1910.13995]

$$\mathcal{S}^{(\text{quad})} = \int dt d^3x N \sqrt{h} \left[ \frac{N}{\beta_2 + N} K^{ij} K_{ij} - \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{2N}{\beta_1 + N} + \frac{N}{\beta_2 + N} \right) K^2 \right. \\ \left. + \rho_1 + \rho_2 R + \frac{1}{N} (\rho_3 + \rho_4 R) \right],$$

# TTDOFs with an auxiliary constraint

# Working directly with the Hamiltonian

(local) Lagrangian



Hamiltonian



TTDOF conditions  
(complicated)

(local) Hamiltonian



TTDOF conditions  
(simplified)



Lagrangian

# Working directly with the Hamiltonian

[Z.-B. Yao, M. Oliosi, **XG**, S. Mukohyama, 2011.00805]

A 20-dim phase space:

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$\lambda \pi$   $\downarrow$   $N$  is non-dyn.

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$\pi_i$	0	0	0	0
$\mathcal{H}_i$	0	0	0	0
$\varphi$	X	0	0	X

2 second class

6 first class (spatial diff.)

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Further requirement on  $\varphi$  and/or  $\mathcal{H}$ .

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# Case 2

[Z.-B. Yao, M. Oliosi, **XG**, S. Mukohyama, 2011.00805]

If  $\pi \approx 0$  remains to be a **second-class** constraint.

We need to require (constraint on  $\varphi$  only)

$$\frac{\delta\varphi(\vec{y})}{\delta N(\vec{x})} \approx 0, \quad \int d^3z \left( \frac{\delta\varphi(\vec{x})}{\delta h_{ij}(\vec{z})} \frac{\delta\varphi(\vec{y})}{\delta\pi^{ij}(\vec{z})} - (\vec{x} \leftrightarrow \vec{y}) \right) \approx 0$$

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6 first class

4 second class

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With multiple auxiliary constraints

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A general Hamiltonian with multiple auxiliary constraints:

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$$N^i \mathcal{H}_i \simeq \sum_I \Pi^I \mathcal{L}_{\vec{N}} \Phi_I = \pi \mathcal{L}_{\vec{N}} N + \pi_i \mathcal{L}_{\vec{N}} N^i + \pi^{ij} \mathcal{L}_{\vec{N}} h_{ij}$$

$$[\mathcal{H}_i, Q] \approx 0, \quad \forall Q \approx 0 \qquad [\pi_i, Q] = -\frac{\delta Q}{\delta N^i} \equiv 0$$

$$\mathcal{H}_i \approx 0_i, \quad \pi_i \approx 0_i$$

first class



spatial diffeomorphism

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Auxiliary constraints:

(scalar)	$\mathcal{S}^n \approx 0^n,$	$n = 1, \dots, \mathcal{N}$
(vector)	$\mathcal{V}_i^m \approx 0_i^m,$	$m = 1, \dots, \mathcal{M}$
(tensor)	$\mathcal{T}_{ij}^r \approx 0_{ij}^r,$	$r = 1, \dots, \mathcal{R}$

We assume them to be second class (the general case).

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If no auxiliary constraints



4 dof = 2t+2s



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$$2 - \mathcal{R} \geq 0, \quad \mathcal{M} + \mathcal{R} \leq 0 \qquad 4 - \mathcal{N} - \mathcal{M} - 2\mathcal{R} \geq 0$$

$$\mathcal{R} = 0, \quad \mathcal{M} = 0, \quad \mathcal{N} \leq 4$$

No vector nor tensor constraints;  
No more than 4 scalar constraints.

# Multiple auxiliary constraints

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A general Hamiltonian with **scalar** auxiliary constraints:

$$H_T = \int d^3x (\mathcal{H} + \mu_n \mathcal{S}^n + N^i \mathcal{H}_i + \lambda^i \pi_i)$$

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$$4 - \#_{1\text{st}}^s \times 2 - \#_{2\text{nd}}^s = 0$$

$$\mathcal{N} \leq \#_{1\text{st}}^s + \#_{2\text{nd}}^s \leq 4$$

# Classification of TTDOF theories

[Z.-B. Yao, M. Oliosi, **XG**, S. Mukohyama, 2302.02090]

The “minimalizing” and “symmetrizing” conditions.

# ACs	Minimalizing cond.	Symmetrizing cond.	Classifications
$\mathcal{N} = 4$	none	none	$\#_{1\text{st}}^s = 0, \#_{2\text{nd}}^s = 4$
$\mathcal{N} = 3$	$[\mathcal{S}^1, \mathcal{S}^n]$	$[\mathcal{S}^1, \mathcal{H}]$	$\#_{1\text{st}}^s = 1, \#_{2\text{nd}}^s = 2$
		none	$\#_{1\text{st}}^s = 0, \#_{2\text{nd}}^s = 4$
$\mathcal{N} = 2$	$[\mathcal{S}^1, \mathcal{S}^n] \ \& \ [\mathcal{S}^2, \mathcal{S}^2]$	$[\mathcal{S}^1, \mathcal{H}] \ \& \ [\mathcal{S}^2, \mathcal{H}]$	$\#_{1\text{st}}^s = 2, \#_{2\text{nd}}^s = 0$
		$[\mathcal{S}^2, \dot{\mathcal{S}}^1] \ \& \ [\mathcal{S}^2, \mathcal{H}]$	$\#_{1\text{st}}^s = 1, \#_{2\text{nd}}^s = 2$
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		none	$\#_{1\text{st}}^s = 0, \#_{2\text{nd}}^s = 4$
$\mathcal{N} = 1$	$[\mathcal{S}^1, \mathcal{S}^1], [\mathcal{S}^1, \dot{\mathcal{S}}^1] \ \& \ [\dot{\mathcal{S}}^1, \dot{\mathcal{S}}^1]$	$\dot{\mathcal{S}}^1, \mathcal{H}$	$\#_{1\text{st}}^s = 2, \#_{2\text{nd}}^s = 0$
		$\dot{\mathcal{S}}^1, \ddot{\mathcal{S}}^1$	$\#_{1\text{st}}^s = 1, \#_{2\text{nd}}^s = 2$
	$[\mathcal{S}^1, \mathcal{S}^1], [\mathcal{S}^1, \dot{\mathcal{S}}^1] \ \& \ [\mathcal{S}^1, \ddot{\mathcal{S}}^1]$	$\ddot{\mathcal{S}}^1, \mathcal{H}$	$\#_{1\text{st}}^s = 1, \#_{2\text{nd}}^s = 2$
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# Cayley-Hamilton construction

[Z.-B. Yao, M. Oliosi, **XG**, S. Mukohyama, 2302.02090]

$$\mathcal{R}^I \equiv \left\{ R_i^i, R_j^i R_i^j, R_j^i R_k^j R_i^k \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{P}^I \equiv \left\{ \pi_i^i, \pi_j^i \pi_i^j, \pi_j^i \pi_k^j \pi_i^k \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{Q}^I \equiv \left\{ R_j^i \pi_i^j, R_j^i \pi_k^j \pi_i^k, R_j^i R_k^j \pi_i^k \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{S}^I = \mathcal{Q}^I - \mathcal{P}^I(N) \approx 0, \quad I = 1, 2, 3$$

$$H_{\text{T}}^{(\text{C.H.})} = \int d^3x \left[ \mathcal{H}^{(\text{C.H.})} + N^i \mathcal{H}_i + \lambda^i \pi_i + \lambda \pi + \mu_I (\mathcal{Q}^I - \mathcal{P}^I) \right],$$

$$\mathcal{H}^{(\text{C.H.})} = \mathcal{H}^{(\text{C.H.})} (N, R_{ij}, \pi^{ij})$$

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# Conclusion

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# Main message from this talk

There are **non-GR** theories propagating **TTDOF's** respecting only **spatial covariance**.

We find the TTDOF conditions in 2 approaches:

1. (Lagrangian side) spatially covariant gravity with TTDOFs;
2. (Hamiltonian side) TTDOFs with auxiliary constraint(s).

We also show a simpler perturbative analysis to construct concrete Lagrangians.

Open questions:

Concrete Lagrangian (so that can be applied in practice);

Different from/equivalent to GR;

To be tested against the observations;

...

Thank you for your attention!