

# Minimalism in modified gravity

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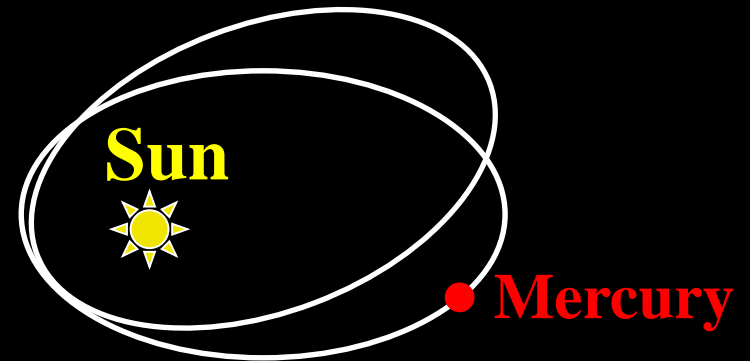
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# A motivation for IR modification

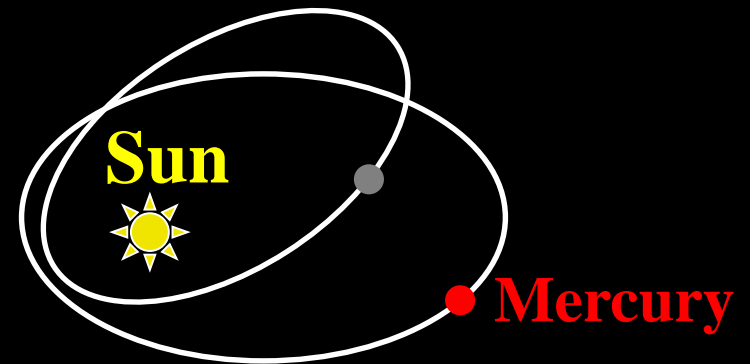
- Gravity at long distances  
Flattening galaxy rotation curves  
extra gravity  
Dimming supernovae  
accelerating universe
- Usual explanation: new forms of matter (DARK MATTER) and energy (DARK ENERGY).

# Dark component in the solar system?

Precession of perihelion  
observed in 1800's...



which people tried to  
explain with a “dark  
planet”, Vulcan,

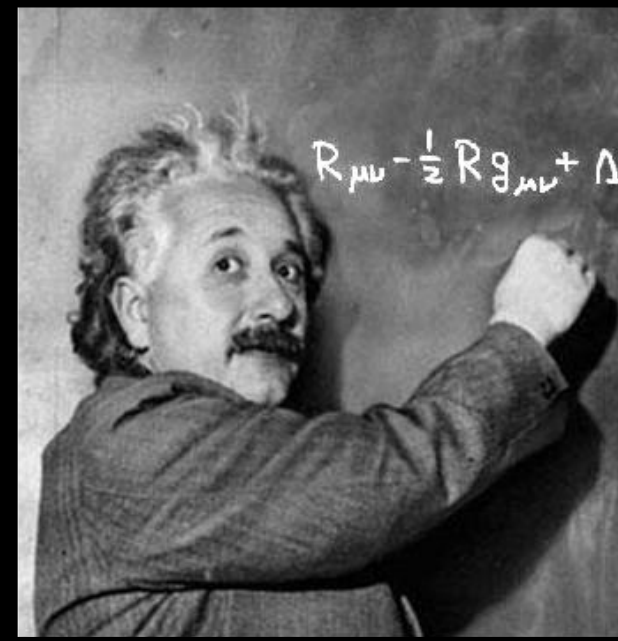


But the right answer wasn't “dark planet”, it was  
“change gravity” from Newton to GR.

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- Do we really **understand GR?**  
One of the best ways to understand something may be to break (modify) it and then to reconstruct it.
- ...

# # of d.o.f. in general relativity

- 10 metric components  $\rightarrow$  20-dim phase space @ each point

# ADM decomposition

- Lapse  $N$ , shift  $N^i$ , 3d metric  $h_{ij}$

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

- Einstein-Hilbert action

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} {}^{(4)}R \\ &= \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}{2} \int dt d^3\vec{x} N \sqrt{h} \left[ K^{ij} K_{ij} - K^2 + {}^{(3)}R \right] \end{aligned}$$

- Extrinsic curvature

$$K_{ij} = \frac{1}{2N} (\partial_t h_{ij} - D_i N_j - D_j N_i)$$

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# 1<sup>st</sup>-class vs 2<sup>nd</sup>-class

- **2<sup>nd</sup>-class constraint S**

$$\{ S, C_i \} \approx 0 \text{ for } \exists i$$

Reduces 1 phase space dimension

- **1<sup>st</sup>-class constraint F**

$$\{ F, C_i \} \approx 0 \text{ for } \forall i$$

Reduces 2 phase space dimensions

Generates a symmetry

Equivalent to a pair of 2<sup>nd</sup>-class constraints

$\{ C_i \mid i = 1, 2, \dots \}$  : complete set of independent constraints

$$A \approx B \iff A = B \text{ when all constraints are imposed}$$

(weak equality)

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**Minimal # of d.o.f. in modified gravity = 2**

**Can this be saturated?**

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# MINIMALLY MODIFIED GRAVITY (MMG)

# Is general relativity unique?

- **Lovelock theorem** says “**yes**” if we assume:  
(i) 4-dimensions; (ii) diffeo invariance; (iii) metric only; (iv) up to 2<sup>nd</sup>-order eom's of the form  $E_{ab}=0$ .
- **Effective field theory** (derivative expansion) says “**yes**” at low energy if we assume:  
(i) 4-dimensions; (ii) diffeo invariance; (iii) metric only.
- **However, cosmological backgrounds break 4d-diffeo while keeping 3d-diffeo.**
- A metric theory with 3d-diffeo but with broken 4d-diffeo typically has 3 local physical d.o.f. (e.g. scalar-tensor theory, EFT of inflation/dark energy, Horava-Lifshitz gravity)

# Example: simple scalar-tensor theory

- Covariant action

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ \Omega^2(\phi) {}^{(4)}R + P(X, \phi) \right] \quad X \equiv -\frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi$$

- ADM decomposition

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

- Unitary gauge

$$\phi = t \quad \longrightarrow \quad X = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{N^2}$$

$$g^{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{N^2} & \frac{N^i}{N^2} \\ \frac{N^j}{N^2} & h^{ij} - \frac{N^i N^j}{N^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

This is a good gauge iff derivative of  $\phi$  is timelike.

- Action in unitary gauge

$$I = \int dt d^3\vec{x} N \sqrt{h} \left\{ f_1(t) \left[ K^{ij} K_{ij} - K^2 + {}^{(3)}R \right] + \frac{2}{N} \dot{f}_1(t) K + f_2(N, t) \right\}$$

$$\Omega^2(\phi) = f_1(t)$$

$$P(X, \phi) = f_2(N, t)$$

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- **Is GR unique when we assume: (i) 4-dimensions; (ii) 3d-diffeo invariance; (iii) metric only; (iv) 2 local physical d.o.f. (= 2 polarizations of TT gravitational waves)?**
- **Answer is “no” → Minimally modified gravity (MMG)**

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# EXAMPLES OF TYPE-I & TYPE-II MMG THEORIES

# Type-I & type-II modified gravity

Katsuki Aoki, Antonio De Felice, Chunshan Lin, SM  
and Michele Oliosi, JCAP 01 (2019) 017

- Jordan (or matter) frame

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g^J} [\Omega^2(\phi) R[g^J] + \dots] + I_{\text{matter}}[g_{\mu\nu}^J; \text{matter}]$$

- Einstein-frame  $g_{\mu\nu}^E = \Omega^2(\phi) g_{\mu\nu}^J$  K.Maeda (1989)

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g^E} [R[g^E] + \dots] + I_{\text{matter}}[\Omega^{-2}(\phi) g_{\mu\nu}^E; \text{matter}]$$

- **Do we call this GR? No.** This is a modified gravity because of **non-trivial matter coupling** → **type-I**
- There are more general scalar tensor theories where there is **no Einstein frame** → **type-II**

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Can be recast as GR + extra d.o.f. + **matter, which couple(s) non-trivially**, by change of variables

- Type-II:

**No Einstein frame**

Cannot be recast as GR + extra d.o.f. + matter by change of variables



# Type-I minimally modified gravity (MMG)

Katsuki Aoki, Chunshan Lin and SM, PRD98 (2018) 044022

- **# of local physical d.o.f. = 2**
- There exists an Einstein frame
- Can be recast as GR + **matter, which couple(s) non-trivially**, by change of variables
- **The most general change of variables = canonical tr.**
- Matter coupling just after canonical tr.  $\rightarrow$  breaks diffeo  $\rightarrow$  1<sup>st</sup>-class constraint downgraded to 2<sup>nd</sup>-class  $\rightarrow$  leads to extra d.o.f. in phase space  $\rightarrow$  inconsistent
- Gauge-fixing after canonical tr.  $\rightarrow$  splits 1<sup>st</sup>-class constraint into pair of 2<sup>nd</sup>-class constraints
- **Matter coupling after canonical tr. + gauge-fixing  $\rightarrow$  a pair of 2<sup>nd</sup>-class constraints remain  $\rightarrow$  consistent**

# A type-I MMG fitting Planck data better than $\Lambda$ CDM

Katsuki Aoki, Antonio De Felice, SM, Karim Noui, and Michele Oliosi, Masroor C. Pookkillath  
arXiv:2005.13972

- $f(\mathcal{H})$  theory with  $f'(C) = f_{,C}$

Carballo-Rubio, Di Filippo & Liberati 2018  
Mukohyama & Noui 2019

( $\mathcal{H} < 0$ )

$$f_{,C} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}a_1 - \frac{1}{2}a_1 \tanh \left[ \frac{1}{a_3} \left( \frac{C}{H_0^2} + a_2 \right) \right]$$

$$a_3 = \beta a_2$$

- 3 additional parameters determined by data (Planck, JLA, BAO, HST)

$a_1 \neq 0 \rightarrow$  deviation from  $\Lambda$ CDM  $z \simeq 743$

$\log_{10} a_2 \simeq 8.94 \rightarrow$  transition @

Parameters	95% limits
$a_1$	$0.0028^{+0.0006}_{-0.0023}$
$\log_{10} a_2$	$8.95^{+0.20}_{-1.33}$
$\log_{10} \beta$	$< -3.5$
$10^2 \omega_b$	$2.284^{+0.019}_{-0.036}$
$\tau_{\text{reio}}$	$0.052^{+0.013}_{-0.015}$
$n_s$	$0.9778^{+0.0058}_{-0.0092}$
$H_0$	$69.19^{+0.67}_{-0.90}$
$\Omega_m$	$0.2952^{+0.0104}_{-0.0090}$

# Type-II minimally modified gravity (MMG)

- **# of local physical d.o.f. = 2**
- **No Einstein frame**
- Cannot be recast as GR + matter by change of variables
- **Is there such a theory? Yes!**
- **Example: Minimal theory of massive gravity**  
[Antonio De Felice and SM, PLB752 (2016) 302; JCAP1604 (2016) 028; PRL118 (2017) 091104]
- **Another example:**  
arXiv 2004.12549 w/ Antonio De Felice and Andreas Doll

# VCDM: a theory of type-II MMG

Antonio De Felice, Andreas Doll and Shinji Mukohyama [arXiv 2004.12549]

- Simple construction with **a free function  $V(\phi)$** 
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  7. Add minimally-coupled matter fields (including CDM)

$$\mathcal{L} = N\sqrt{\gamma} \left[ \frac{M_{\text{P}}^2}{2} (R + K_{ij} K^{ij} - K^2 - 2V(\phi)) - \frac{\lambda_{\text{gf}}^i}{N} M_{\text{P}}^2 \partial_i \phi - \frac{3M_{\text{P}}^2 \lambda^2}{4} - M_{\text{P}}^2 \lambda (K + \phi) \right]$$

- **No Einstein frame, equivalent to cuscuton**

[arXiv: 2103.15044 w/ Katsuki Aoki & Francesco Di Filippo]

Afshordi-Chung-Geshnizjani 2007

- **$V(\phi)$  reconstructed from FLRW background**

- **$c_{\text{GW}} = 1$ , no extra dof**

- **Can reduce  $H_0$  tension**

[arXiv: 2009.08718 w/ Antonio De Felice & Masroor C. Pookkillath]

- Extension to address both  $H_0$  &  $S_8$  tensions? [arXiv:2011.04188 w/ Antonio De Felice]

# Refined classification

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<b>Type-Ib</b> $c_T^2(k^2) \neq 1$ $g_{\mu\nu} \not\propto \tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}$	<b>Type-IIb</b> MTMG: $\omega^2 = k^2 + m^2$ 4DEGB: $\omega^2 = k^2 + k^4/\Lambda^2$

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# Weaker gravity for DM: VCCDM

Antonio De Felice and Shinji Mukohyama [arXiv 2011.04188]

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$$\text{SM metric: } g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu = -N^2 dt^2 + \gamma_{ij} (dx^i + N^i dt)(dx^j + N^j dt)$$

$$\text{DM metric: } g_{\mu\nu}^{\text{eff}} dx^\mu dx^\nu = -\frac{N^2}{f_1^2} dt^2 + \frac{\gamma_{ij}}{f_0} (dx^i + N^i dt)(dx^j + N^j dt)$$

- **$f_0(\phi)$  &  $f_1(\phi)$  reconstructed from  $H(z)$  &  $G_{\text{DM}}(z)/G_{\text{N}}$**

- **$c_{\text{GW}} = 1$ ,  $G_{\text{SM}} = G_{\text{N}}$ , no extra dof**

- **May reduce  $H_0$  &  $S_8$  tensions**

$$V(\phi) \equiv \frac{\bar{\Lambda}}{f_1 f_0^{3/2}}$$

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# **$D \rightarrow 4$ EGB GRAVITY WITH 2 DOF**

Refs. arXiv:2005.03859 & 2005.08428 w/ Katsuki Aoki & Mohammad Ali Gorji  
arXiv:2010.03973 w/ Katsuki Aoki, Mohammad Ali Gorji & Shuntaro Mizuno



# EGB theory and $D \rightarrow 4$

$$S_{\text{EGB}} = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^D x \sqrt{-g} [\mathcal{R} - 2\Lambda + \alpha \mathcal{R}_{\text{GB}}^2]$$
$$\mathcal{R}_{\text{GB}}^2 = \mathcal{R}^2 - 4\mathcal{R}^{\mu\nu}\mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu} + \mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}\mathcal{R}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}$$

- For  $D=4$ , the GB term is total derivative and thus does not contribute to eom's.
- $D \rightarrow 4$  with  $\tilde{\alpha} = (D - 4)\alpha$  kept fixed?  
**0/0 = finite?**  
[Glavan&Lin, PRL124, 081301 (2020)]
- Maybe yes, but requires either extra dof. or Lorentz violation due to Lovelock theorem
- **The best we can do without extra d.o.f. is to keep 3d diffeo  $\rightarrow$  MMG framework**

# Hamiltonian of 4D theory with 2 dof

$$H_{\text{EGB}}^{4\text{D}} = \int d^3x (N^3 \mathcal{H}_0 + N^i \mathcal{H}_i + \lambda^0 \pi_0 + \lambda^i \pi_i + \lambda_{\text{GF}}^3 \mathcal{G})$$

$${}^3\mathcal{H}_0 = \frac{\sqrt{\gamma}}{2\kappa^2} \left[ 2\Lambda - \mathcal{M} + \tilde{\alpha} \left( 4\mathcal{M}_{ij} \mathcal{M}^{ij} - \frac{3}{2} \mathcal{M}^2 \right) \right] \quad \mathcal{H}_i = -2\sqrt{\gamma} \gamma_{ik} D_j \left( \frac{\pi^{jk}}{\sqrt{\gamma}} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{ij} := R_{ij} + \mathcal{K}_k^k \mathcal{K}_{ij} - \mathcal{K}_{ik} \mathcal{K}_j^k$$

$$\pi_j^i = \frac{\sqrt{\gamma}}{2\kappa^2} \left[ \mathcal{K}_j^i - \mathcal{K} \delta_j^i - \frac{8}{3} \tilde{\alpha} \delta_{jrs}^i \mathcal{K}_k^r \left( R_l^s - \frac{1}{4} \delta_l^s R + \frac{1}{2} (\mathcal{M}_l^s - \frac{1}{4} \delta_l^s \mathcal{M}) \right) \right]$$

- 1<sup>st</sup> class x 6

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

- 2<sup>nd</sup> class x 4

$$\pi_0 \approx 0, \quad {}^3\mathcal{H}_0 \approx 0, \quad {}^3\mathcal{G} \approx 0, \quad \dot{{}^3}\mathcal{G} \approx 0$$

- **10x2 – 6x2 – 4 = 4 → 2 dof**

# 5 properties of 4D theory

4D theory is unique up to a choice of  ${}^3\mathcal{G}$ .

- i. 3D spatial diffeo invariance is respected
- ii. # of dof = 2
- iii. Reduces to GR when  $\tilde{\alpha} = 0$
- iv. Correction terms are 4th-order in derivatives
- v. If the Weyl tensor of the spatial metric and the Weyl part of  $K_{ik}K_{jl} - K_{il}K_{jk}$  vanish for a solution of  $(d+1)$ -dim EGB, then the  $d \rightarrow 3$  limit of the solution satisfies eoms of 4D theory.

 **A consistent theory of  $D \rightarrow 4$  EGB gravity**

# Lagrangian of 4D theory with 2 dof

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{EGB}}^{4\text{D}} = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} (-2\Lambda + \mathcal{K}_{ij}\mathcal{K}^{ij} - \mathcal{K}_i^i\mathcal{K}_j^j + R + \tilde{\alpha}R_{4\text{DGB}}^2)$$

$$R_{4\text{DGB}}^2 = -\frac{4}{3} (8R_{ij}R^{ij} - 4R_{ij}\mathcal{M}^{ij} - \mathcal{M}_{ij}\mathcal{M}^{ij}) + \frac{1}{2} (8R^2 - 4R\mathcal{M} - \mathcal{M}^2)$$

$$\mathcal{K}_{ij} = K_{ij} - \frac{1}{2N}\gamma_{ij}D^2\lambda_{\text{GF}} \quad \mathcal{M}_{ij} := R_{ij} + \mathcal{K}_k^k\mathcal{K}_{ij} - \mathcal{K}_{ik}\mathcal{K}_j^k$$

- Valid for specific choice:  ${}^3\mathcal{G} = \sqrt{\gamma}D_kD^k(\pi^{ij}\gamma_{ij}/\sqrt{\gamma})$  compatible with cosmology & static sol
- $d \rightarrow 3$  limit of any solutions of  $(d+1)$ -dim EGB with conformally flat spatial metric and vanishing Weyl part of  $K_{ik}K_{ji} - K_{il}K_{jk}$  are solutions (e.g. FLRW & spherical sol of Glavan&Lin)

# Constraints

- Stability of scalar perturbation

$$\dot{H} < 0$$

- Stability of tensor perturbation

$$\tilde{\alpha} > 0$$

- Propagation of gravitational waves

$$\tilde{\alpha} \lesssim (10\text{meV})^{-2}$$

- Properties of neutron stars

$$\tilde{\alpha} \lesssim 10^{22} \text{eV}^{-2}$$

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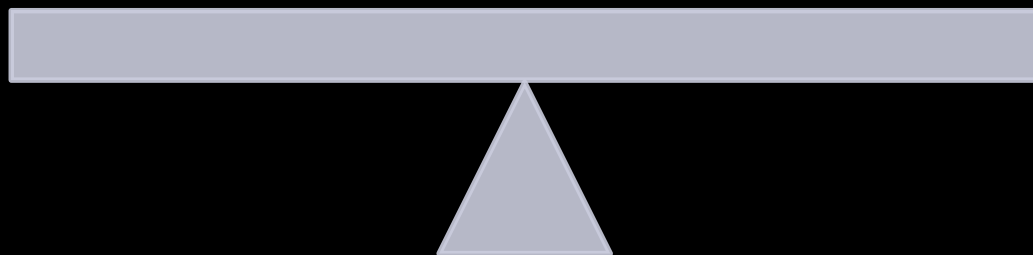
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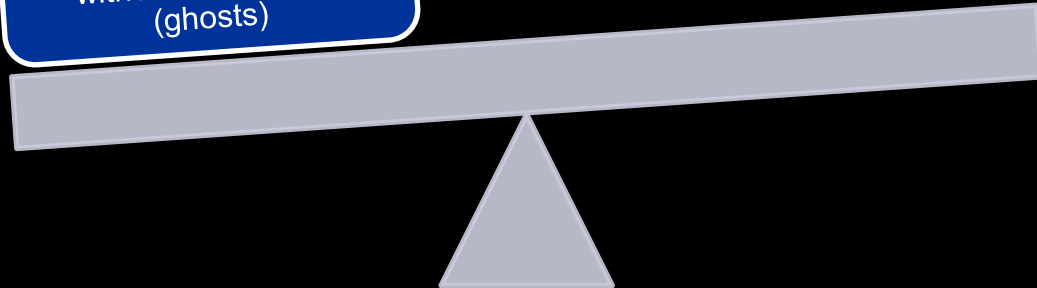
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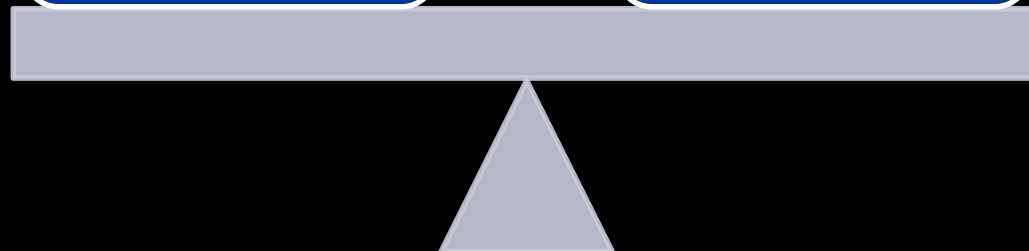
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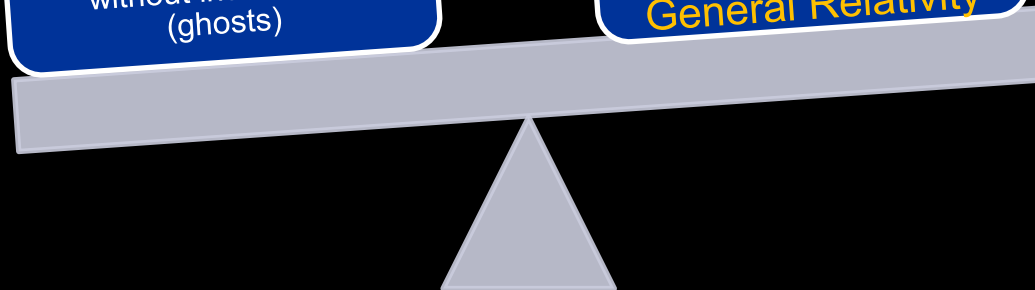
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De Felice & Mukohyama, PLB752 (2016) 302;  
JCAP1604 (2016) 028

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- exactly same FLRW background as in dRGT
- no BD ghost, no Higuchi ghost, no nonlinear ghost
- positivity bound does not apply

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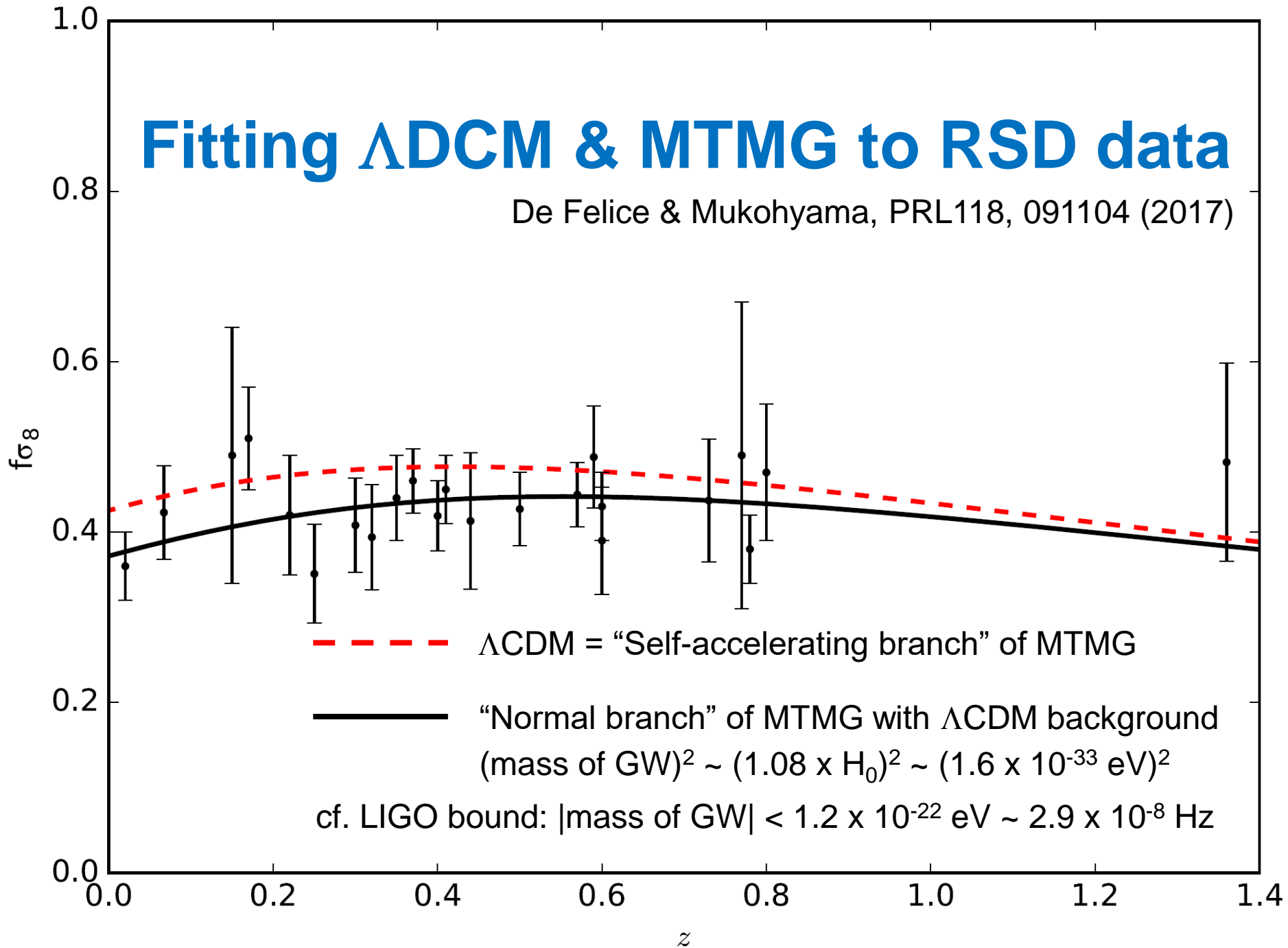
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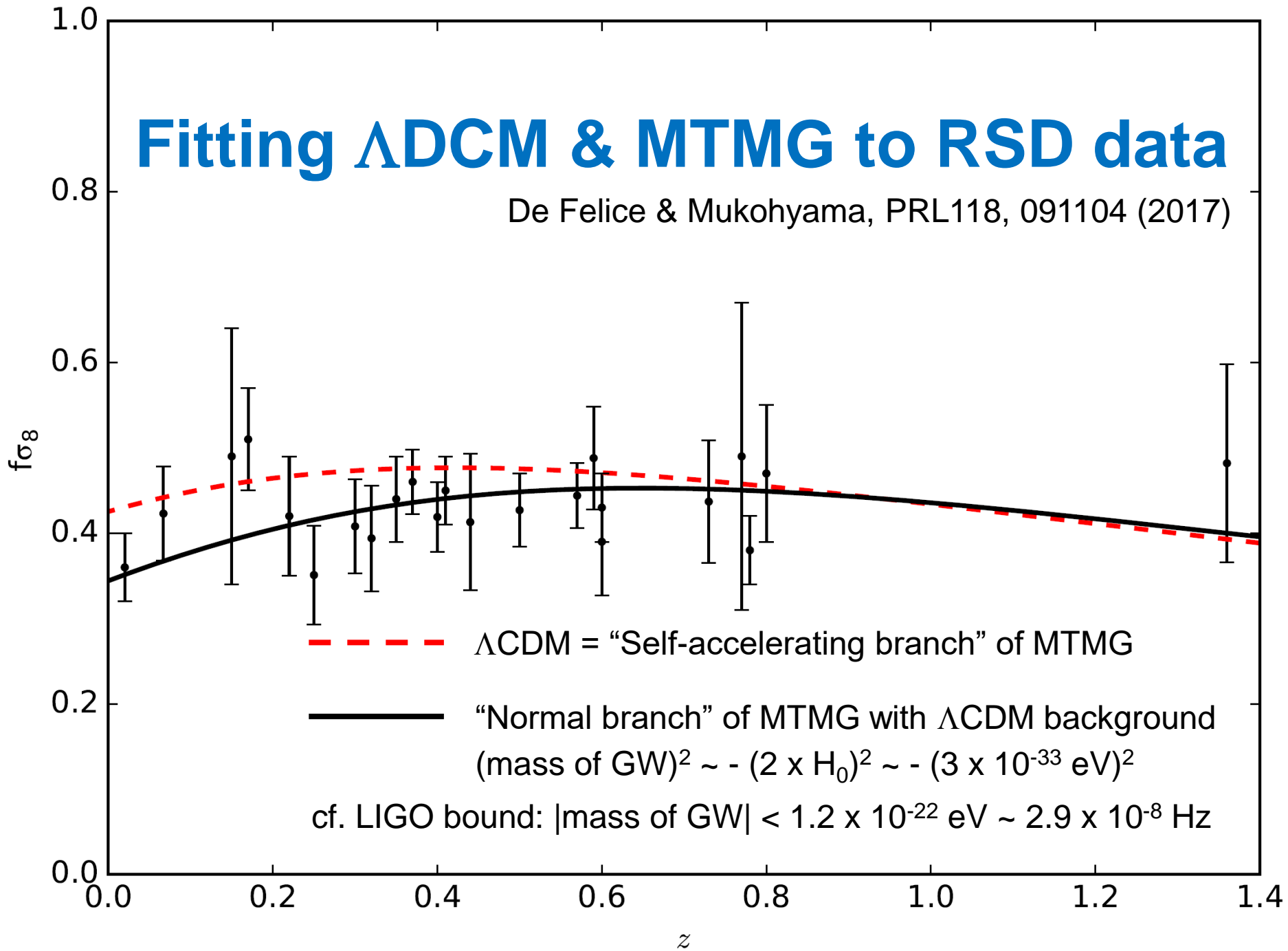
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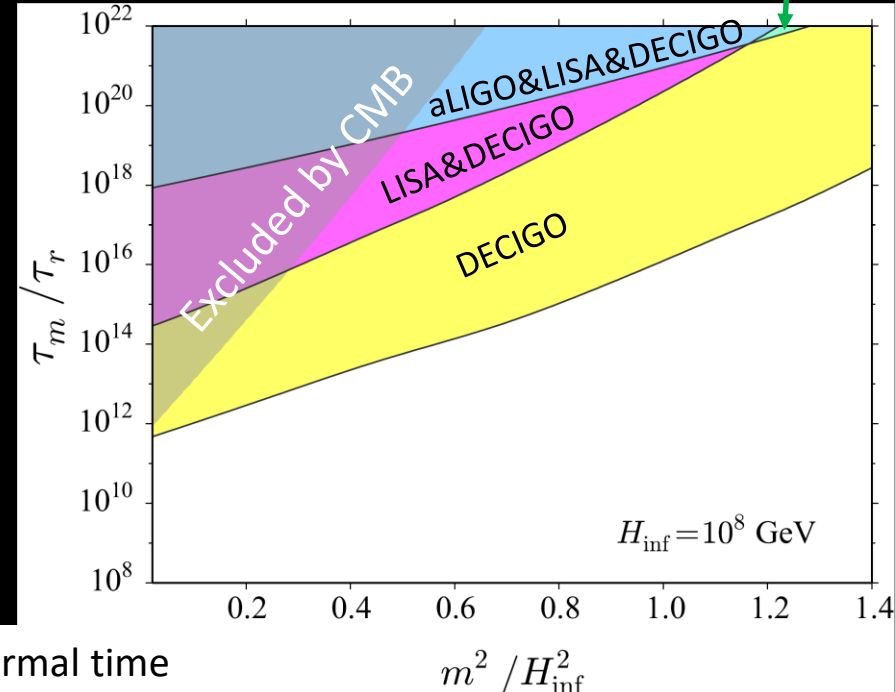
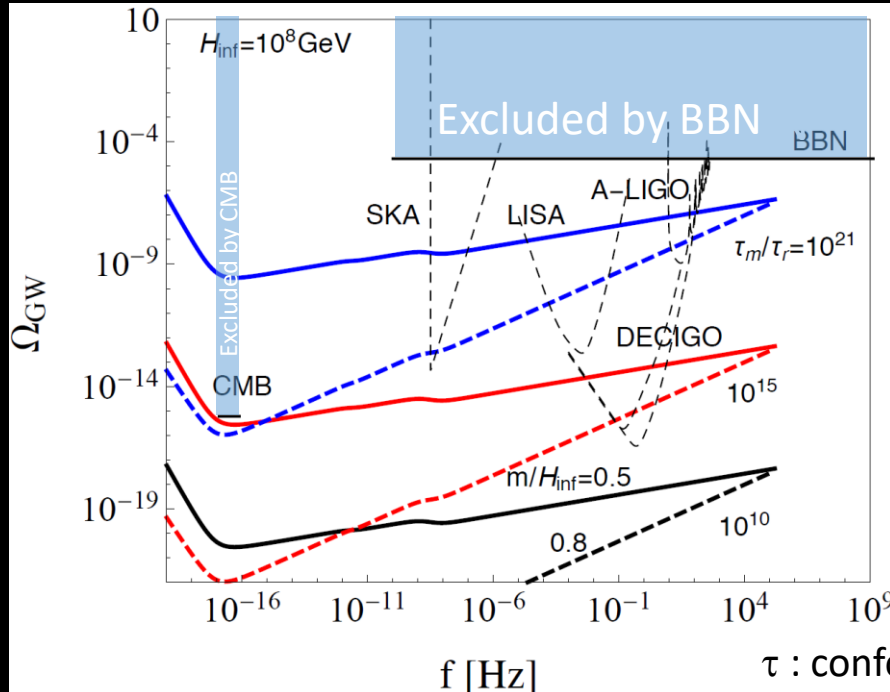
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Fujita, Kuroyanagi, Mizuno, Mukohyama, PLB789 (2019) 215

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- Simple extension:  $c_i \rightarrow c_i(\phi)$  with  $\phi = \phi(t)$
- $m$  large until  $t_m$  ( $t_{\text{reh}} < t_m < t_{\text{BBN}}$ ) but small after  $t_m$   
cf. no Higuchi bound in MTMG
- **Suppression of GW in IR due to large  $m \rightarrow$  blue spectrum**
- $\rho_{\text{GW}} \propto a^{-3}$  for  $t_{\text{reh}} < t < t_m \rightarrow$  amplification relative to GR

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De Felice, Larrouturou, Mukohyama, Oliosi, arXiv:2012.01073.

- 4 physical dof only = massless & massive GWs
- exactly same FLRW backgrounds as in HRBG
- no BD ghost, no Higuchi ghost, no strong coupling

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1. Fix local Lorentz to realize ADM vielbeins in HRBG
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3. Add 4 (= 5-1) additional constraints carefully

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The very first example of completely stable & cosmologically viable theory of nonlinear bigravity. A testing ground for gravitational phenomena, e.g. graviton oscillation, that can be probed by GWs.



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- Minimal # of d.o.f. in modified gravity = 2  
can be saturated → **minimally modified gravity (MMG)**
- Type-I MMG:  $\exists$  Einstein frame  
Type-II MMG: no Einstein frame
- Examples of type-I MMG  
GR + canonical tr. + gauge-fixing + adding matter  
Rich phenomenology:  $w_{DE}$ ,  $G_{eff}$ , etc.  
**f(H) theory can fit Planck data better than  $\Lambda$ CDM**
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 $V(\phi)$  reconstructed from FLRW background  
**May reduce  $H_0$  tension**  
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# Summary of massive gravity part

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Thank you!