



Stability of black holes in Horndeski theory and beyond

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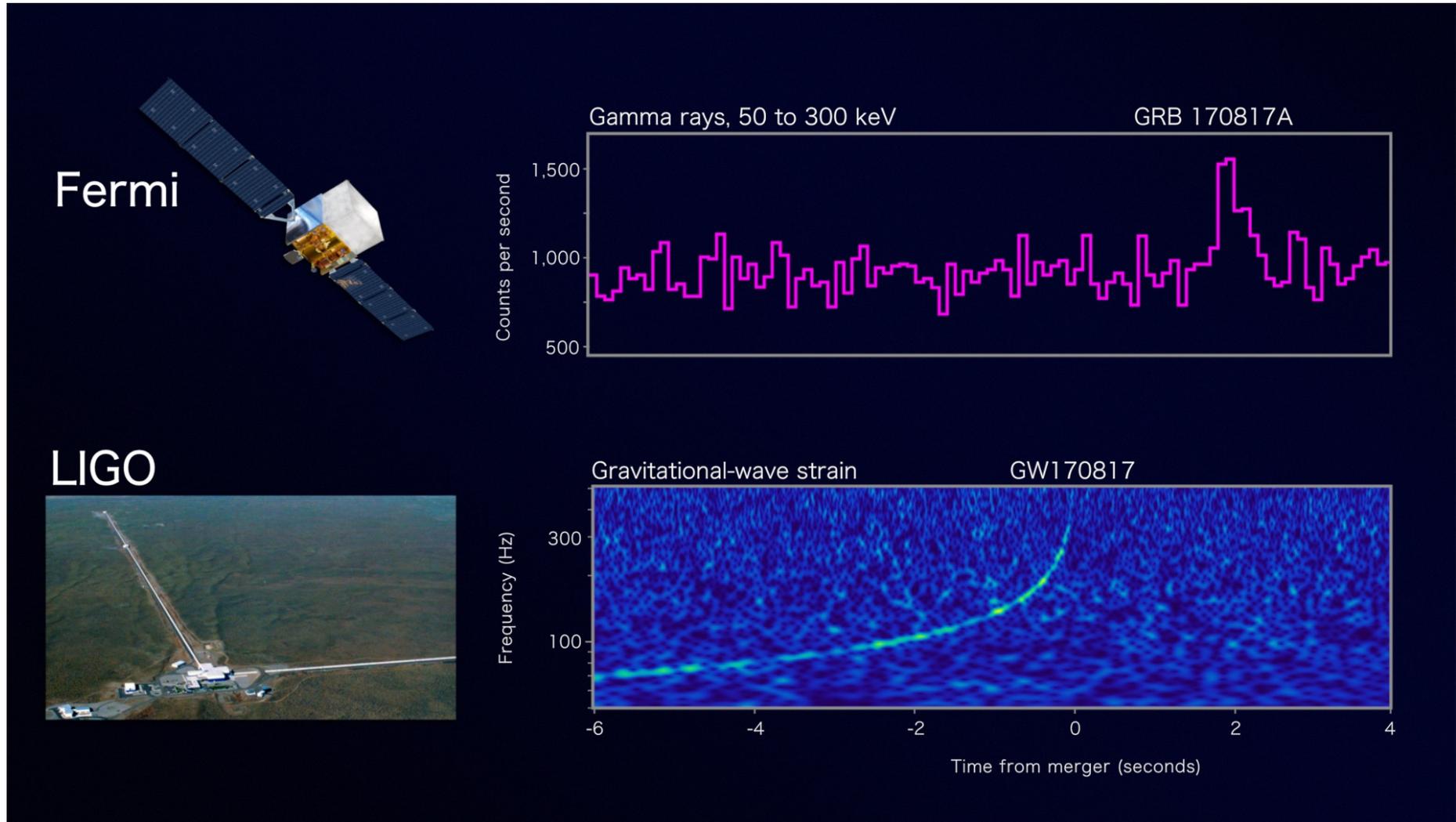
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Motivation:

GW170817/GRB170817A



graviton speed = speed of light

Motivation:

Black holes found in [EB, Charmousis'13] are unstable

[Ogawa, Kobayashi, Suyama'15]

Similar arguments for instability are used in

[Takahashi, Suyama, Kobayashi'15]

[Takahashi, Suyama'17]

[Kase, Minamitsuji, Tsujikawa, Zhang'18]

[Maselli, Silva, Minamitsuji, Berti'16]

Outline

- ❖ Perturbations in galileons
- ❖ Perturbations of black hole solutions in Horndeski theory
- ❖ Hamiltonian vs stability
- ❖ Stable black holes after GW170817

Perturbations in galileons

Horndeski theory

Most general galileon shift-symmetric action: [Horndeski'1974, Deffayet et al'09]

$$\mathcal{L}_2 = K(X, \varphi)$$

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

$$\mathcal{L}_4 = G_4(X, \varphi) R + G_{4,X}(X, \varphi) \left[(\square\varphi)^2 - (\nabla\nabla\varphi)^2 \right],$$

$$\mathcal{L}_5 = G_{5,X}(X, \varphi) \left[(\square\varphi)^3 - 3\square\varphi (\nabla\nabla\varphi)^2 + 2(\nabla\nabla\varphi)^3 \right] - 6G_5(X, \varphi) G_{\mu\nu} \nabla^\mu \nabla^\nu \varphi$$

where $X \equiv (\partial_\lambda \varphi)^2$

EOMs are of second order

Kinetic mixing

- ❖ Standard kinetic term:

$\sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi$ only mixing of $g^{\mu\nu}$ and $\partial\phi$ — no kinetic mixing

- ❖ k-essence:

$\sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu} K(X)$: only mixing of $g^{\mu\nu}$ and $\partial\phi$ — no kinetic mixing

- ❖ G_3 galileon:

$X \square \phi \supset \Gamma \partial\phi \sim \partial g \partial\phi$: kinetic mixing

Perturbations

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \bar{g}_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\phi = \bar{\phi} + \pi$$

❖ Standard kinetic term, k-essence:

$$\mathcal{L}^{(2)} \sim \underbrace{(\partial h)^2 + (\partial\delta\phi)^2}_{\text{kinetic terms}} + \underbrace{h^2 + (\delta\phi)^2 + h(\delta\phi)}_{\text{lower order terms}}$$

❖ Higher-order galileons:

$$\mathcal{L}^{(2)} \sim \underbrace{(\partial h)^2 + (\partial\delta\phi)^2 + (\partial\delta\phi)\partial h}_{\text{kinetic terms}} + h^2 + (\delta\phi)^2 + h(\delta\phi)$$

Perturbation in GB model

[EB, Esposito-Farese'12]

$$S = M_P^2 \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left\{ \frac{R}{2} - \eta (\partial_\mu \phi)^2 - \gamma \square \phi (\partial_\mu \phi)^2 \right\}$$

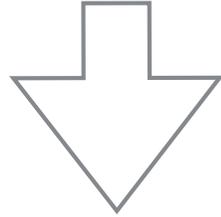
Perturbation Lagrangian:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{M_P^2} \frac{\mathcal{L}_2^{\text{kinetic}}}{\sqrt{-g}} = \\ & -\frac{1}{4} \nabla_\mu h_{\alpha\beta} P^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} \nabla^\mu h_{\gamma\delta} + \frac{1}{4} \left(h_{\nu;\lambda}^\lambda - \frac{1}{2} h_{,\nu} \right)^2 - \eta (\partial_\mu \pi)^2 \\ & - \gamma \left[2 \square \phi (\partial_\mu \pi)^2 - 2 \nabla_\mu \partial_\nu \phi \partial^\mu \pi \partial^\nu \pi + \underbrace{\partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi \partial_\lambda \pi \nabla^\lambda h^{\mu\nu} - 2 \partial^\mu \phi \partial^\nu \phi \partial_\mu \pi \left(h_{\nu;\lambda}^\lambda - \frac{1}{2} h_{,\nu} \right)}_{\text{mixing terms}} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Perturbation in G3 model

Change of variables

$$h_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow h_{\mu\nu} - \frac{4k_3}{M^2} \left[\partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} (\partial_\lambda \phi)^2 \right] \pi$$



$$\frac{1}{M_P^2} \frac{\mathcal{L}_2^{\text{kinetic}}}{\sqrt{-g}} = -\frac{1}{4} \nabla_\mu h_{\alpha\beta} P^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} \nabla^\mu h_{\gamma\delta} + \frac{1}{4} \left(h_{\nu;\lambda}^\lambda - \frac{1}{2} h_{,\nu} \right)^2 - \mathcal{S}^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \pi \partial_\nu \pi$$

$$\mathcal{S}^{\mu\nu} \equiv g^{\mu\nu} \left[\eta + 2\gamma \square \varphi - \gamma^2 (\partial_\lambda \varphi)^4 \right] - 2\gamma \nabla^\mu \partial^\nu \varphi + 4\gamma^2 (\partial_\lambda \varphi)^2 \partial^\mu \varphi \partial^\nu \varphi$$

Effective metric felt by the scalar perturbations π

Perturbation in "John" model

$$\mathcal{L}_J = G^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi$$

The mixing is more complicated,

$$\mathcal{L}_{J,mix}^{(2)} \sim \partial_\lambda \pi \nabla^\lambda h^{\mu\nu} + \partial_\mu \pi \left(h_{\nu;\lambda}^\lambda - \frac{1}{2} h_{,\nu} \right) + \partial_\lambda \pi \nabla^\lambda h + \partial_\mu \pi \nabla_\nu h^{\mu\nu}$$

$h_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow ?$ It is not clear how to demix perturbations in this case

Let us use symmetry of the background solution

Perturbations of black hole solutions in Horndeski theory

Black hole solution

[Babichev, Charmousis'13]

$$S_J[g_{\mu\nu}, \phi] = \int \sqrt{-g} d^4x \left[\zeta(R - 2\Lambda_{\text{bare}}) + \beta G^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - \eta \phi_\lambda^2 \right]$$

In terms of standard Horndeski notations:

$$G_4 = \zeta - \frac{\beta}{2} \phi_\lambda^2, \quad G_2 = -2\zeta \Lambda_{\text{bare}} - \eta \phi_\lambda^2.$$

Black hole solution

[Christos talk]

Self-tuning Schwarzschild-de Sitter solution:

$$ds^2 = -A(r) dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{A(r)} + r^2 d\Omega^2,$$

$$A(r) = 1 - \frac{2Gm}{r} - \frac{\Lambda_{\text{eff}}}{3} r^2,$$

$$\phi = q \left[t \pm \int \frac{\sqrt{1 - A(r)}}{A(r)} dr \right],$$

$$q^2 = \frac{\eta + \beta \Lambda_{\text{bare}}}{\eta \beta} \zeta \quad \Lambda_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{\eta}{\beta},$$

Also stealth solution when $\eta = \Lambda_{\text{bare}} = 0$:

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Perturbations of black holes

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \bar{g}_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}$$
$$\phi = \bar{\phi} + \pi$$

Expansion in spherical harmonics— even parity (polar) and odd-parity (axial) modes, which do not interact with each other:

1. Odd-parity modes only contain spin-2 polarizations; [Ogawa, Kobayashi, Suyama'15]
2. Even-parity modes: $l = 0$ contains pure i.e. scalar, $l = 1$ is dipole, $l \geq 2$ contain both scalar and spin-2 polarizations

Perturbations of black holes

Spherically symmetric perturbations (Regge and Wheeler formalism):

$$h_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} A(r)H_0(t, r) & H_1(t, r) & 0 & 0 \\ H_1(t, r) & H_2(t, r)/B(r) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & K(t, r)r^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & K(t, r)r^2 \sin^2 \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

Second order action in terms of π , H_0 , H_1 , H_2 , K ,

$$\delta_s^{(2)} S_J = \int dt dr 4\pi r^2 \mathcal{L}_s^{(2)}$$

Perturbations of black holes

$$\mathcal{L}_s^{(2)} = \mathcal{P}^2 + \mathcal{A}y^2 + \mathcal{B}xy + \mathcal{C}x^2$$

$$\mathcal{P} = \dot{x} - y' + \tilde{a}_1x + \tilde{a}_2y$$

variation wrt y gives: $2\mathcal{P}' + 2\mathcal{A}y + \mathcal{B}x = 0$

Constraint on y (nonlocal in space): in principle one can find y in terms of x by solving ODE with known boundary conditions.

Instead focus on higher order terms:

$$\dot{x}' - y'' = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \dot{x} = y'$$

$$x = \chi'$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{s; \text{Kin}}^{(2)} = -\frac{1}{2} (\mathcal{S}^{tt} \dot{\chi}^2 + 2\mathcal{S}^{tr} \dot{\chi}\chi' + \mathcal{S}^{rr} \chi'^2)$$

Stability?

$$\mathcal{L}_2 = -\frac{1}{2} (\mathcal{S}^{tt} \dot{\chi}^2 + 2\mathcal{S}^{tr} \dot{\chi}\chi' + \mathcal{S}^{rr} \chi'^2) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathcal{L}_2 = -\frac{1}{2} \mathcal{S}^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \chi \partial_\nu \chi$$

$\mathcal{S}^{\mu\nu}$ is a function of background

Need check for:

1. Hyperbolicity (no Laplace instability)
2. No ghosts

1. Hyperbolicity:

$$D \equiv \mathcal{S}^{00} \mathcal{S}^{11} - (\mathcal{S}^{01})^2 < 0 \quad \Rightarrow \text{the cone is defined}$$

2. No ghost:

“Energy of particles >0 ”

Calculate Hamiltonian and check if it is bounded from below

Stability?

$$S_J[g_{\mu\nu}, \phi] = \int \sqrt{-g} d^4x [\zeta R + \beta G^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi]$$

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Perturbations for stealth solution are given by parabolic equation:
pathological behaviour

Hamiltonian vs stability

Hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{L}_2 = -\frac{1}{2} \mathcal{S}^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \chi \partial_\nu \chi$$

$$p \equiv \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_2}{\partial \dot{\chi}} = -\mathcal{S}^{00} \dot{\chi} - \mathcal{S}^{0i} \partial_i \chi, \quad \text{canonical momentum}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_2 = p \dot{\chi} - \mathcal{L}_2 = -\frac{1}{2\mathcal{S}^{00}} (p + \mathcal{S}^{0i} \partial_i \chi)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{S}^{ij} \partial_i \chi \partial_j \chi$$

In 1+1 we have:

$$\mathcal{H}_2 = p \dot{\chi} - \mathcal{L}_2 = -\frac{1}{2\mathcal{S}^{00}} (p + \mathcal{S}^{01} \chi')^2 + \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{S}^{11} \chi'^2$$

Does unbounded from below Hamiltonian necessarily imply instability?

NO

Hamiltonian: example

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}\dot{\chi}^2 - \frac{c_s^2}{2}\chi'^2$$

Relativistic boost $c = 1$:

$$\tilde{t} = \frac{t + vx}{\sqrt{1 - v^2}}, \quad \tilde{x} = \frac{x + vt}{\sqrt{1 - v^2}}$$

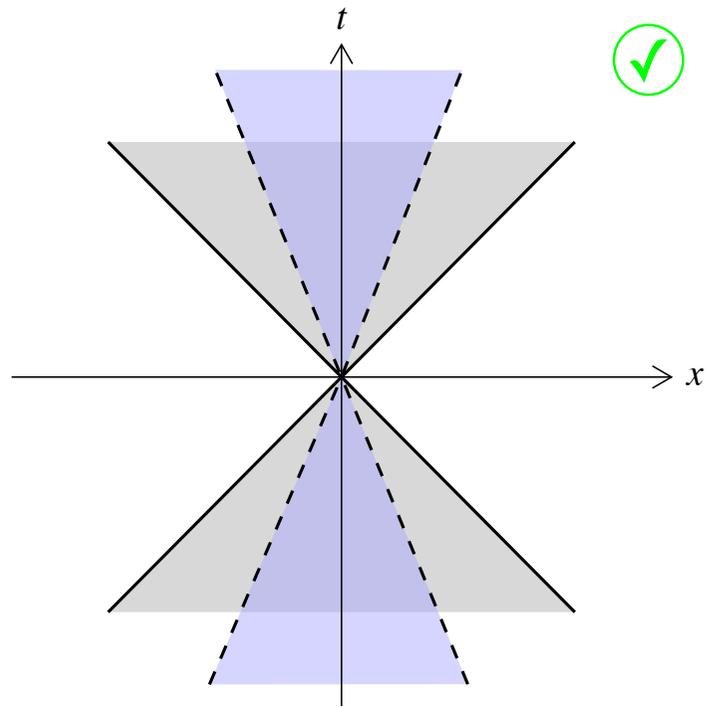
$$\mathcal{L} \rightarrow \frac{1}{1 - v^2} \left[\frac{1}{2}(1 - c_s^2 v^2)\dot{\chi}^2 + (1 - c_s^2)v\dot{\chi}\chi' - \frac{1}{2}(c_s^2 - v^2)\chi'^2 \right]$$

Compute Hamiltonian: $\mathcal{H}_2 = \frac{1}{2}(\dots)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(c_s^2 - v^2)\pi'^2$

$$\mathcal{H}_2 < 0 \text{ for } |v| > c_s$$

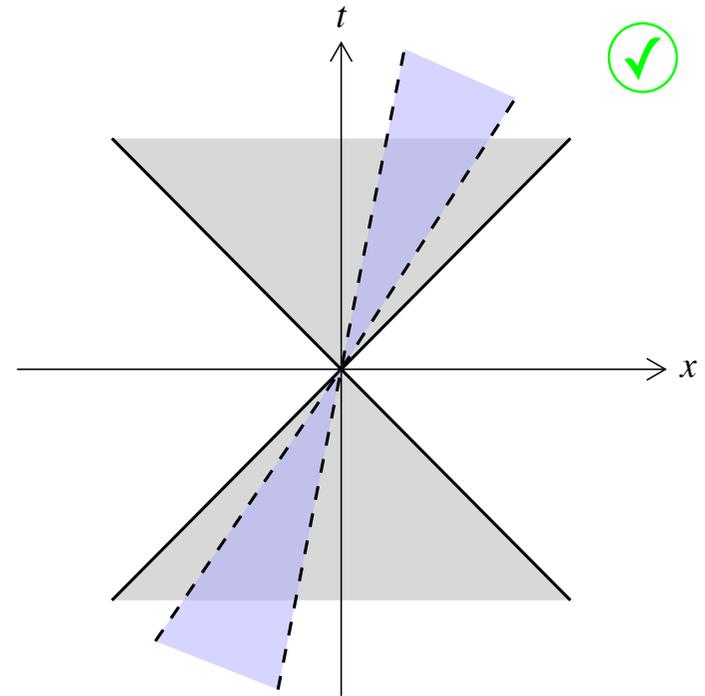
However the system is
clearly stable

Stable configurations:



$$\mathcal{H}_2 = \frac{1}{2}(\dots)^2 + \frac{1}{2}c_s^2\pi'^2$$

boost
→



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In both cases the system is stable

Stability vs Hamiltonian

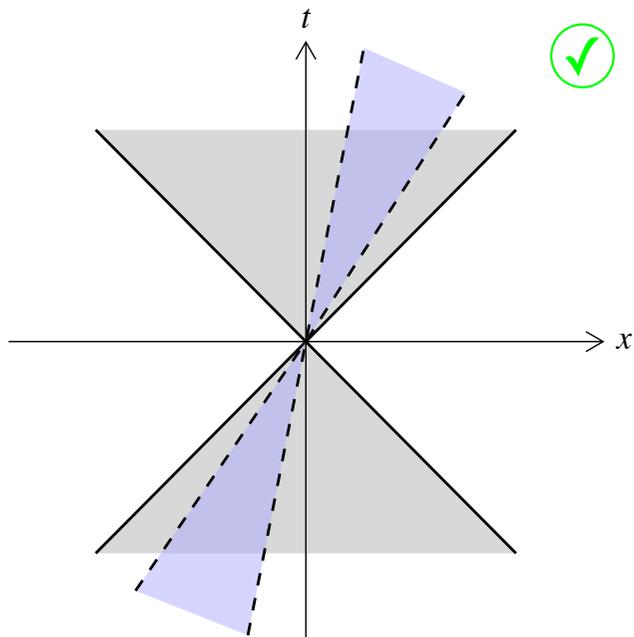
Hyperbolicity (existence of propagation cone, characteristics):

$$D \equiv \mathcal{S}^{00}\mathcal{S}^{11} - (\mathcal{S}^{01})^2 < 0.$$

The inverse is:

$$\mathcal{S}_{\mu\nu}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{S}^{11} & -\mathcal{S}^{01} \\ -\mathcal{S}^{01} & \mathcal{S}^{00} \end{pmatrix} / D.$$

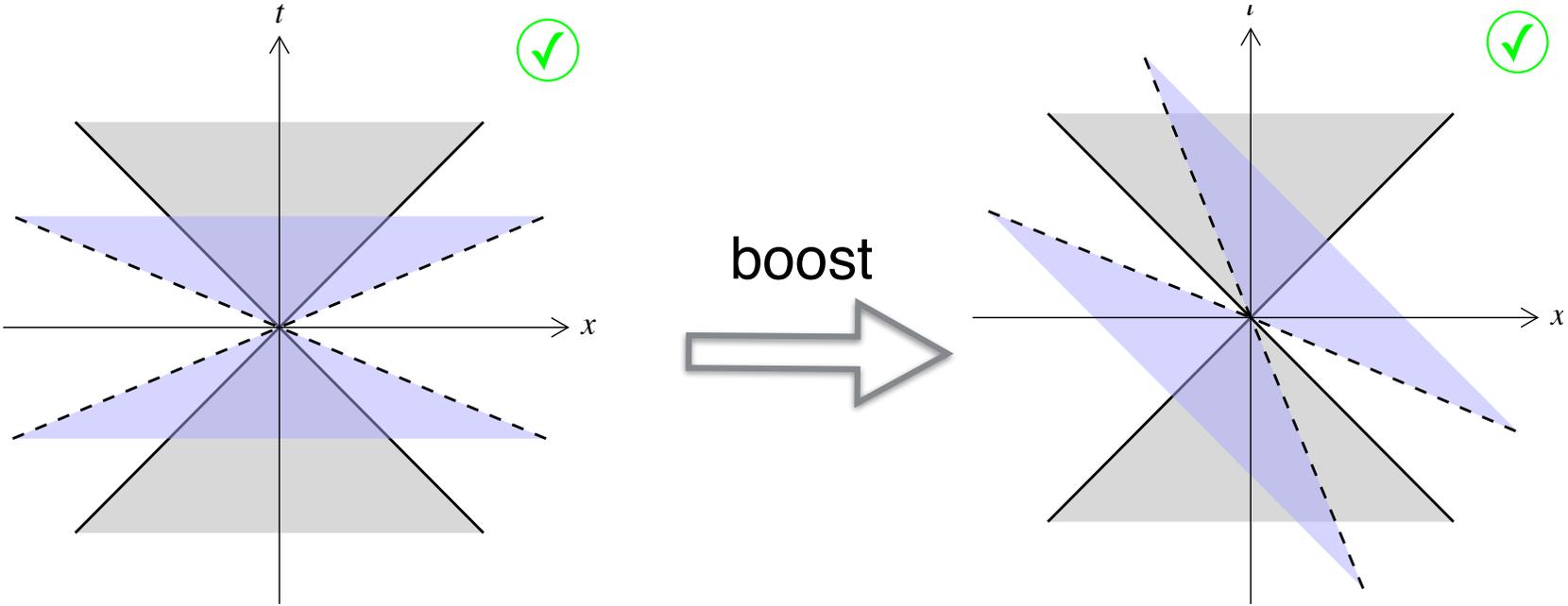
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$$\mathcal{H}_2 = -\frac{1}{2\mathcal{S}^{00}} (p + \mathcal{S}^{01}\chi')^2 + \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{S}^{11}\chi'^2$$

The time axis is *outside* the blue cone, meaning $\mathcal{S}_{00}^{-1} dt dt > 0$ and therefore $\mathcal{S}^{11} < 0$

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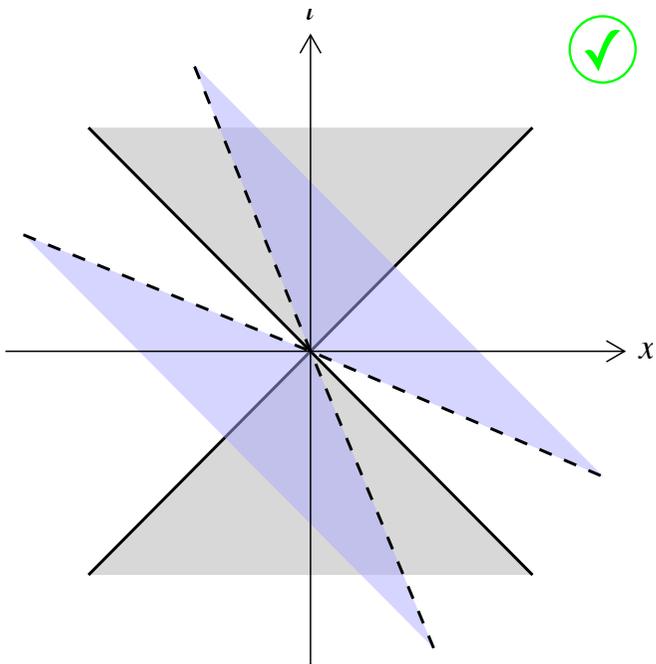
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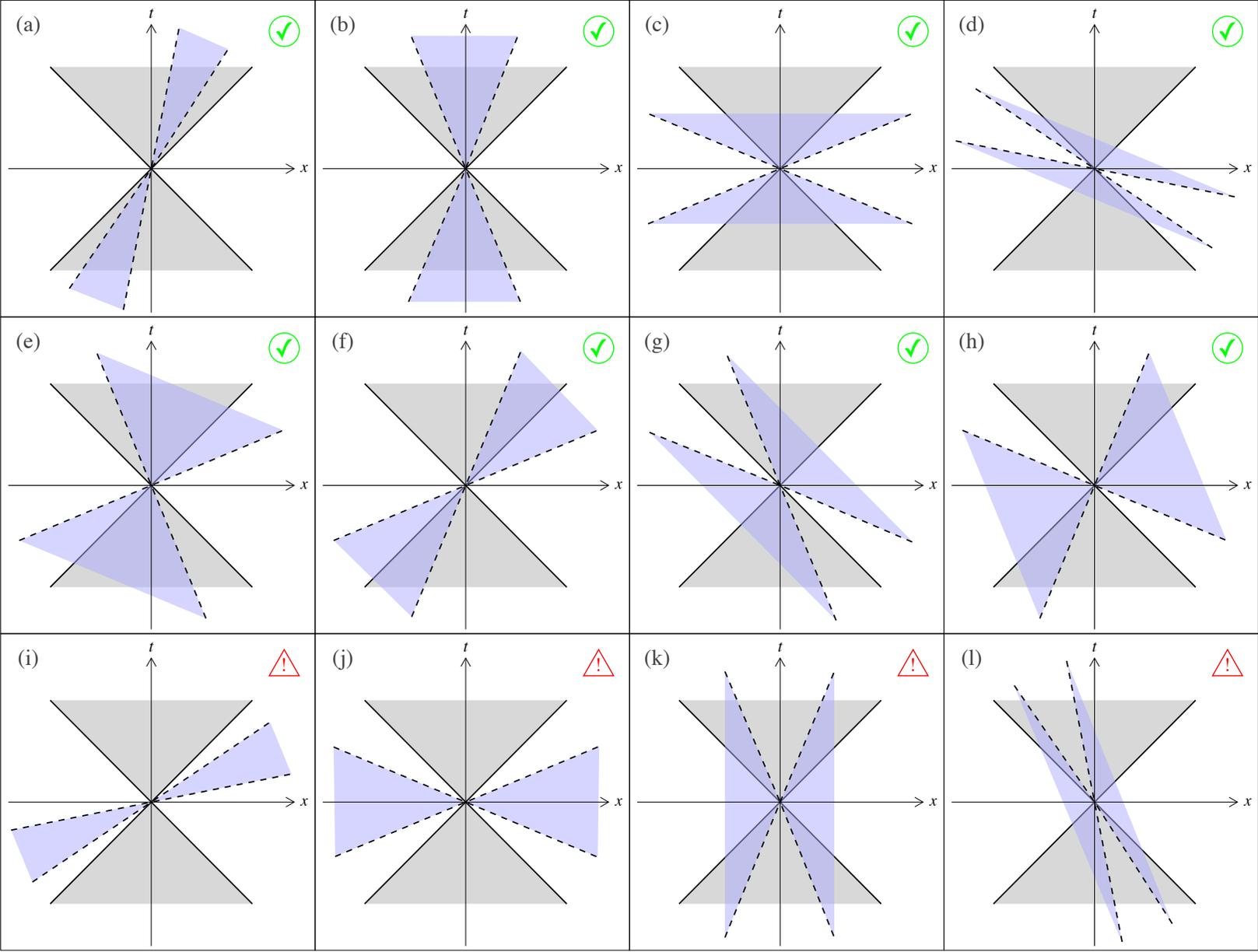
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The x -axis is *inside* the blue cone,
meaning $\mathcal{S}_{11}^{-1} dx dx < 0$ and therefore $\mathcal{S}^{00} > 0$

Stability vs Hamiltonian



Stability vs Hamiltonian

- ❖ When total Hamiltonian density is bounded by below, then the lowest energy state is necessarily stable.
- ❖ Inverse is not true: A Hamiltonian density which is unbounded from below does not always imply instability.
- ❖ Sometimes the unbounded Hamiltonian appears due to the “bad” choice of coordinate

!

The Hamiltonian is not a scalar with respect to coordinate transformations

instead of Hamiltonian?

$$\mathcal{L}_2 = -\frac{1}{2} \mathcal{S}^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \chi \partial_\nu \chi$$

Four conserved Noether currents: $T_\mu^\nu \equiv \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}_2}{\delta(\partial_\nu \chi)} \partial_\mu \chi - \delta_\mu^\nu \mathcal{L}_2$

Current conservation: $\partial_\nu T_\mu^\nu = 0 \Leftrightarrow \partial_0 T_\mu^0 + \partial_i T_\mu^i = 0$

The energy density T_0^0 coincides with Hamiltonian density (on-shell):
it is not diff invariant.

Instead of T_0^0 one may consider an invariant (under boosts) quantity:

$$T_0^{\prime 0} - v T_x^{\prime 0}$$

Coincides with
Hamiltonian in
unboosted frame

**Stable black holes after
GW170817**

Constraints from GW170817

[EB, Charmousis, Esposito-Farese, Lehebel '17]

$$\mathcal{L} = \zeta (R - 2\Lambda_{\text{bare}}) - \eta \varphi_{,\lambda}^2 + \beta G^{\mu\nu} \varphi_{,\mu} \varphi_{,\nu} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{matter}}[g]$$

$$c_{\text{grav}} \neq c_{\text{light}}$$

**Horndeski with
minimal coupling to
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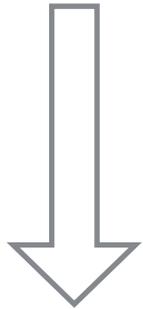
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**Horndeski with
nonminimal
(disformal) coupling
to matter**



$$\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{\beta}{\zeta + \frac{\beta}{2} \varphi_\lambda^2} \varphi_\mu \varphi_\nu$$

$$\tilde{g} \rightarrow g$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}{2} (R - 2\Lambda_{\text{bare}}) - \eta \varphi_\lambda^2 + \beta G^{\mu\nu} \varphi_\mu \varphi_\nu - \frac{\beta}{X} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma}{}_\sigma \varphi_\mu \varphi_\alpha \varphi_\nu \varphi_\beta \varphi_\rho \varphi_\gamma + \mathcal{L}_{\text{matter}}[g]$$

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**beyond Horndeski
with minimal
coupling to matter**

Stability of black holes

$$S_J[g_{\mu\nu}, \varphi] = \int \sqrt{-g} d^4x \left[\zeta (R - 2\Lambda_{\text{bare}}) + \beta G^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \varphi \partial_\nu \varphi - \eta \varphi_\lambda^2 \right]$$

Matter couples to

$$\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{\beta}{\zeta + \frac{\beta}{2} \varphi_\lambda^2} \partial_\mu \varphi \partial_\nu \varphi$$

$$S_J[g_{\mu\nu}, \varphi] + S_m[\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}, \Psi]$$

Stability of black holes

1. We concentrated on scalar mode (even $l=0$ mode).
2. The odd-parity modes were calculated in
These modes correspond to spin-2 polarisation. We explicitly checked that for these modes [Ogawa, Kobayashi, Suyama'15].

$$\mathcal{G}_{\mu\nu} = \frac{\Lambda_{\text{eff}}}{\Lambda_{\text{bare}} + \Lambda_{\text{eff}}} \tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}$$

3. Stability window:

[EB, Charmousis, Esposito-Farese, Lehebel'17]

$$\text{either } \eta > 0, \beta < 0, \text{ and } \frac{1}{3} \Lambda_{\text{bare}} < -\frac{\eta}{\beta} < \Lambda_{\text{bare}},$$
$$\text{or } \eta < 0, \beta > 0, \text{ and } \Lambda_{\text{bare}} < -\frac{\eta}{\beta} < 3\Lambda_{\text{bare}}.$$

Conclusions

- ❖ There are solutions with exact equality of speeds of light and gravity, even in the vicinity of black hole.
- ❖ Hamiltonian vs stability.
- ❖ Stable of black holes for a range of parameters.