

# Rotating black holes in higher order gravity theories

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Recent Developments in Strings and Gravity



- **Theoretical consistency:** In  $D = 4$  dimensions, consider  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{M}, g, \nabla g, \nabla\nabla g)$  where  $\nabla$  is a Levi-Civita connection. Then **Lovelock's** theorem in  $D = 4$  states that GR with cosmological constant is the unique metric theory emerging from,

$$S_{(4)} = \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^4x \sqrt{-g^{(4)}} [-2\Lambda + R + \alpha \hat{G}]$$

giving,

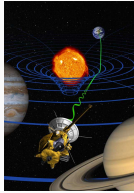
- Equations of motion of 2<sup>nd</sup>-order (Ostrogradski no-go theorem 1850!)
- given by a symmetric two-tensor,  $G_{\mu\nu} + \Lambda g_{\mu\nu}$
- and admitting Bianchi identities.

*GR is the unique massless-tensorial 4 dimensional theory of gravity.*

# Observational data

- **Experimental consistency:**

- Excellent agreement with solar system tests and strong gravity tests on binary pulsars
- Recent data from the EHT compatible with GR for a supermassive black hole
- Observational breakthrough GW170817: Non local, 40Mpc and strong gravity test from a coalescing binary of neutron stars.  $c_T = 1 \pm 10^{-15}$



Time delay of light

Planetary trajectories



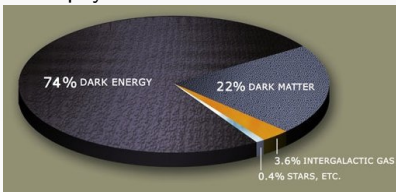
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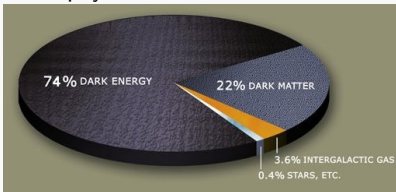
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# Modification of Gravity : Scalar-tensor theories

- are the simplest modification of gravity with one additional degree of freedom
- Admit a uniqueness theorem due to Horndeski 1973 and extended to DHOST/EST theories [Langlois et.al] [Crisostomi et.al.]
- Contain or are limits of other modified gravity theories.
- Include terms that can screen classically a big cosmological constant or give self accelerating solutions.
- GW constraints on dark energy solutions [Creminelli, Vernizzi, Ezquiaga, Zumalacaregui,...] albeit strong coupling issues [DeRham, Melville]
- We concentrate on  $c_T = 1$  theories DHOST/EST [Crisostomi, Koyama, Langlois, Noui, Vernizzi,..]
- The theory under scrutiny,  $c_T = 1$  has unique characteristics. It is far closer to GR than any version of Hordenski
- Our aim is to find rotating black holes

# $c_T = 1$ scalar tensor theories and their relation to Horndeski

Shift-symmetric scalar tensor theory  $c_T = 1$  minimally coupled to matter is parametrized by  $K, A_3, G$

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- coupling functions depend only on  $X = g^{\mu\nu}\partial_\mu\phi\partial_\nu\phi$ .
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- Rotating black hole Einstein metric

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$$\Delta_r = \left( 1 - \frac{r^2}{\ell^2} \right) (r^2 + a^2) - 2Mr, \quad \Xi = 1 + \frac{a^2}{\ell^2},$$

$$\Delta_\theta = 1 + \frac{a^2}{\ell^2} \cos^2 \theta, \quad \rho^2 = r^2 + a^2 \cos^2 \theta,$$

- Black hole parameters are  $a, M, \Lambda = 3/\ell^2$  which describe a black hole with an inner, outer event and cosmological horizon for  $\Lambda > 0$ .
- To evaluate the HJ potential for geodesics we need to know the inverse metric and solve a first order differential equation.
- Does there exist a HJ potential which is well defined in the black hole spacetime?
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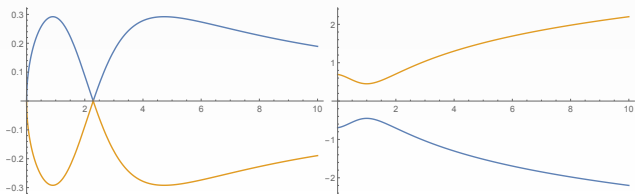
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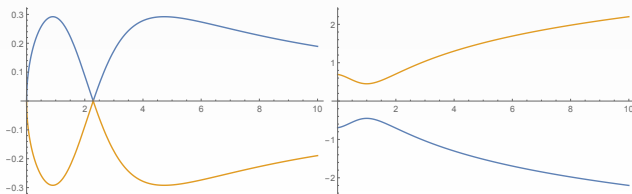
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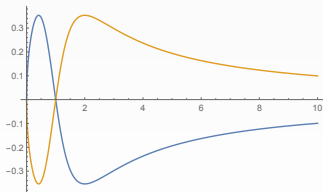
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- Fixing  $\eta = \eta_c$  the two branches join with  $C_2$  regularity at  $r = r_0$ .
- Then using both branches ie.,  $\phi_r = H[r - r_0] \int_{r_0}^r \frac{\sqrt{R}}{\Delta_r} - H[r_0 - r] \int_{r_0}^r \frac{\sqrt{R}}{\Delta_r}$ , we have a regular scalar field everywhere



# Conclusions

- We have obtained a rotating black hole with hair which is everywhere regular
- Although solution is stealth, perturbations defining quasi normal modes and resulting phenomenology will be different [CC, Crisostomi, Langlois, Noui].
- Can obtain any GR vacuum solution with well defined hair in such theories
- One can use this stealth solution to construct numerically other non Kerr solutions by relaxation techniques
- For  $c_T = 1$  the only  $X = \text{constant}$  solutions are Einstein spaces. If we expect solutions to have asymptotically  $X$  constant then in this theory all solutions are asymptotically Einstein spaces.