

Introduction to Massive Gravity

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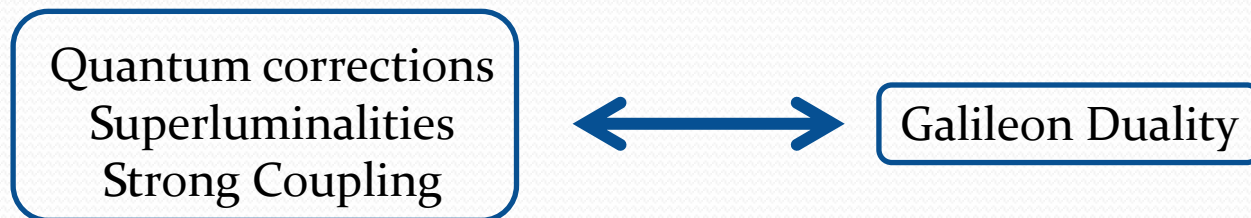
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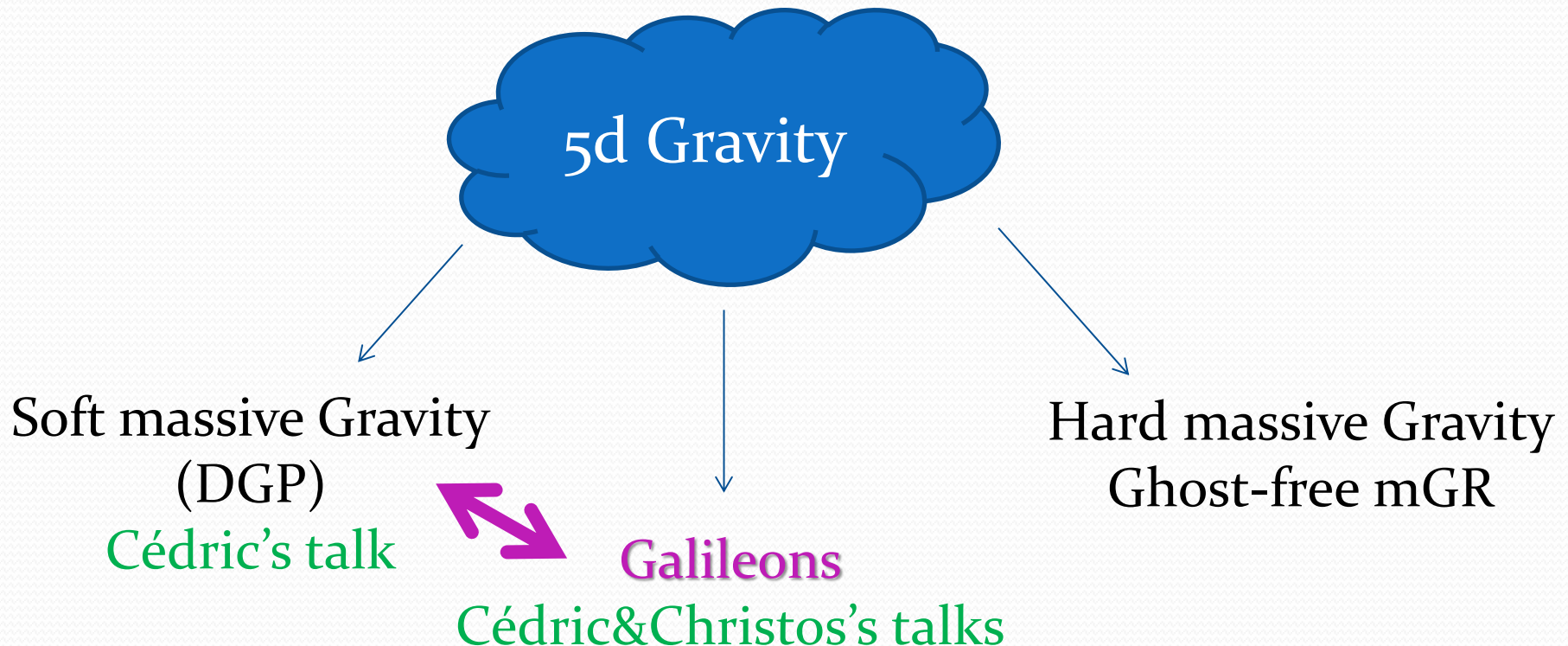
Summary (so far)

- 5d GR is a good starting point to obtain 4d theories of modified gravity (or gravity with a scalar field) which are free of ghost
- Has interesting Phenomenology & Cosmology
- Idea of the proof of the Absence of Ghost  yesterday
- Decoupling limit 
- Open questions and open avenues  today



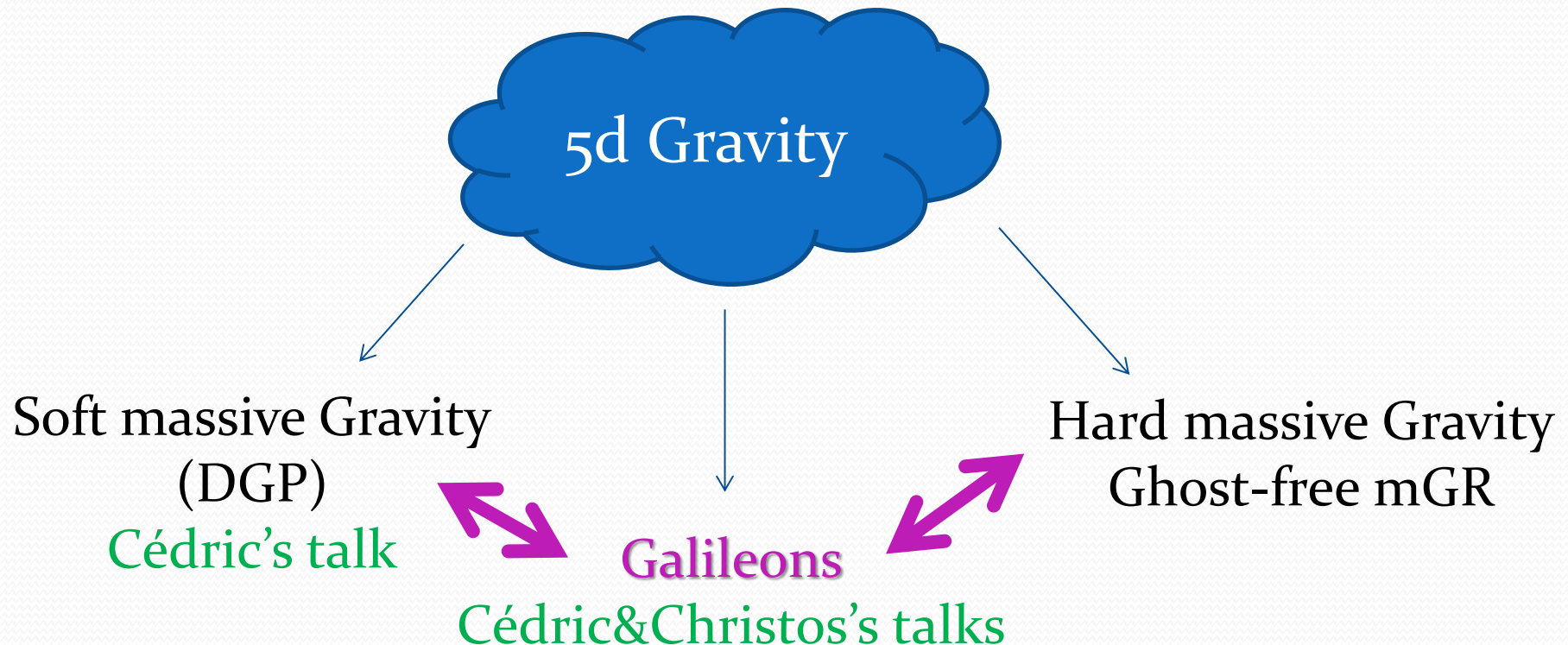
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Ghost reappears at
the non-linear level

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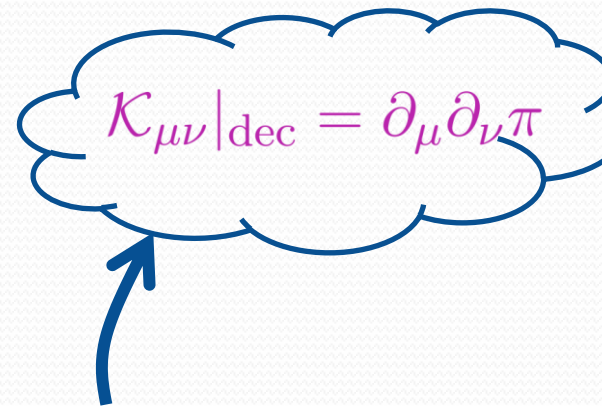
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$$\mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}|_{\text{dec}} = \partial_{\mu}\partial_{\nu}\pi$$

- Has no ghosts at zeroth order in \hbar

$$\mathcal{U}_{\text{GF}} = [\Pi^2] - [\Pi]^2 + \frac{h_{\mu\nu}}{M_{\text{Pl}}} (\partial\partial\pi) + \dots$$

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu}\partial_{\nu}\pi$$

Generalized Ghost-free MG

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CdR, Gabadadze, 1007.0443

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$$\Pi_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu}\partial_{\nu}\pi$$

Ghost-free decoupling limit

- In the *decoupling limit*, $M_{\text{Pl}} \rightarrow \infty$
 $m \rightarrow 0$

keeping $\Lambda = (M_{\text{Pl}} m^2)^{1/3}$ fixed

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- In the *decoupling limit*,

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2} h^{\mu\nu} (\hat{\mathcal{E}}h)_{\mu\nu} - h^{\mu\nu} \left(\partial^2 \pi + \frac{(\partial^2 \pi)^2}{\Lambda^3} + \dots \right)$$

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$$X_{\mu'}^{(1)\mu} = \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\mu'\nu'\alpha\beta} \Pi_{\nu'}^{\nu'}$$

with $X_{\mu'}^{(2)\mu} = \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\mu'\nu'\alpha'\beta} \Pi_{\nu'}^{\nu'} \Pi_{\alpha'}^{\alpha'}$

$$X_{\mu'}^{(3)\mu} = \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \epsilon_{\mu'\nu'\alpha'\beta'} \Pi_{\nu'}^{\nu'} \Pi_{\alpha'}^{\alpha'} \Pi_{\beta'}^{\beta'}$$

* Identically conserved

* Similar structure as Galileon introduced by Cédric

* Galileon symmetry is trivial by construction

* No ghost

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- Galileon symmetry only after integrations by parts
The real symmetry involves both h and π .
- No Vainshtein mechanism when $X_{\mu\nu}^{(3)}$ is present

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$$\mathcal{K} = \mathbb{I} - \sqrt{\mathbb{X}}$$

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 - Or many different languages...

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New Massive Gravity

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- Higher order Curvature terms
- By Ostrogradsky argument (Cf. yesterday's talk), we know that there will be 2 sets of fields hidden in $R_{\mu\nu}^2$
 - 1 ghost massless spin-2 field 0 polarizations
 - 1 healthy massive spin-2 field 2 polarizations
- Breaks one set of diff invariance, just like Bi-gravity breaks one set of diff invariance

Bi-Gravity/NMG/Massive Gravity

- Bi-Gravity has only 1 copy of diff (rather than 2)
in 4d: 7 degrees of freedom
in 3d: 2 degrees of freedom
- NMG has only 1 copy of diff (rather than 2)
in 3d: 2 degrees of freedom
- Massive Gravity has 0 copy of diff (rather than 1)
in 4d: 5 degrees of freedom
in 3d: 2 degrees of freedom

NMG

$$\mathcal{L}_{3d,\text{NMG}} = \frac{M_3}{2} \int d^3x \sqrt{-g} \left[-R - f^{\mu\nu} G_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} m^2 (f^{\mu\nu} f_{\mu\nu} - f^2) \right]$$

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- Splitting the Stü. field into scalar and vector parts,

$$V_\mu = \frac{A_\mu}{\sqrt{M_3}m} + \frac{\nabla_\mu\pi}{\sqrt{M_3}m^2}$$

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- Cubic Galileon for the helicity-0 mode !
- And this includes all the interactions with the helicity-1 mode !

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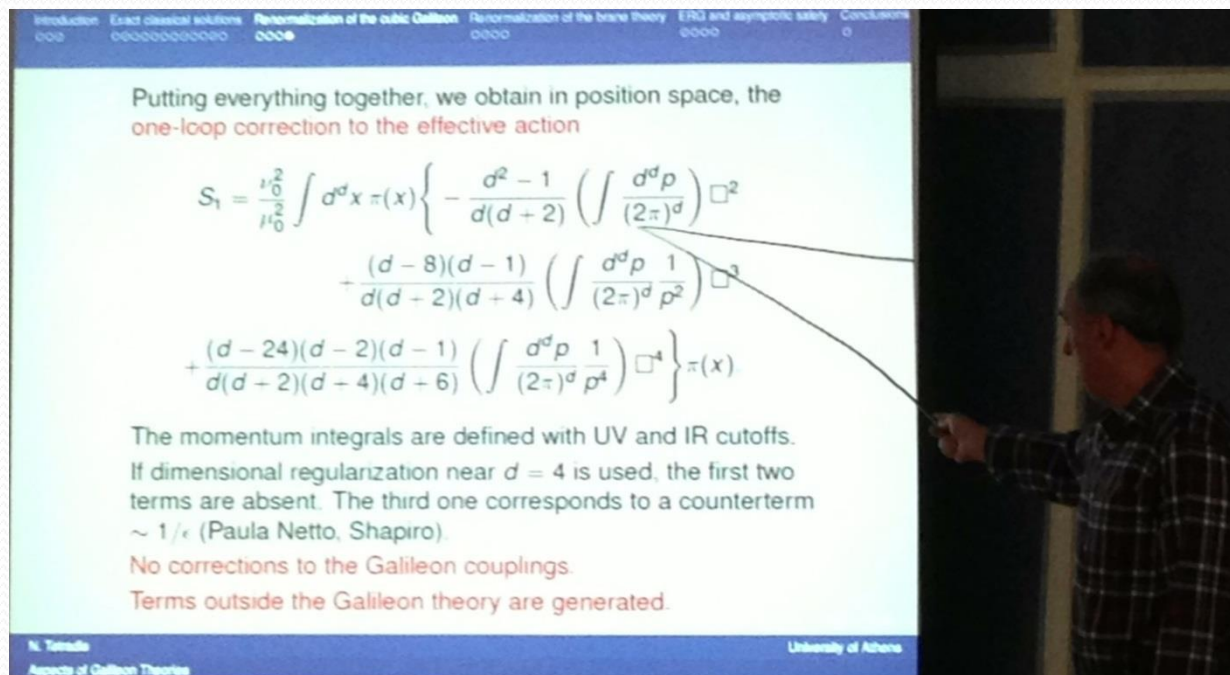
- However the graviton mass is stable against quantum corrections

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See Cédric Deffayet's talk
+ Nikolaos Tetradis's talk



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Putting everything together, we obtain in position space, the **one-loop correction to the effective action**

$$S_1 = \frac{1}{\mu_0^2} \int d^d x \pi(x) \left\{ -\frac{d^2 - 1}{d(d+2)} \left(\int \frac{d^d p}{(2\pi)^d} \right) \square^2 \right. \\ \left. + \frac{(d-8)(d-1)}{d(d+2)(d+4)} \left(\int \frac{d^d p}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{1}{p^2} \right) \square \right. \\ \left. + \frac{(d-24)(d-2)(d-1)}{d(d+2)(d+4)(d+6)} \left(\int \frac{d^d p}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{1}{p^4} \right) \square^4 \right\} \pi(x)$$

The momentum integrals are defined with UV and IR cutoffs. If dimensional regularization near $d = 4$ is used, the first two terms are absent. The third one corresponds to a counterterm $\sim 1/\epsilon$ (Paula Netto, Shapiro).

No corrections to the Galileon couplings.
Terms outside the Galileon theory are generated.

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Aspects of Galileon Theories

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graviton mass does not
get renormalized in the DL

- Beyond the DL, the graviton mass gets renormalized by

$$\delta m^2 \sim m^2 \left(\frac{m}{M_{\text{Pl}}} \right)^{2/3}$$



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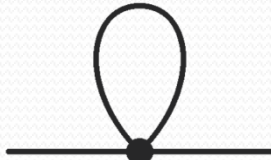
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A Feynman diagram showing a tadpole loop. It consists of a horizontal line with a black dot at its center. From this dot, a vertical line goes up to a loop, which then comes back down to the same dot.

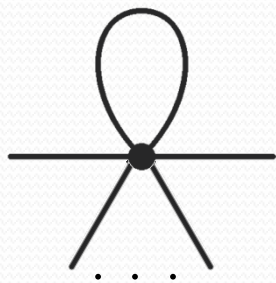
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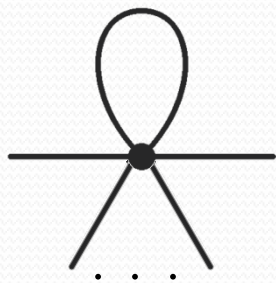
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$\ll 1$

1-loop Effective Action

- The 1-loop effective action is itself redressed

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2} \frac{1 + c_1 \frac{\partial^2 \pi_0}{\Lambda^3}}{1 + c_2 \frac{\partial^2 \pi_0}{\Lambda^3}} (\partial^2 \pi)^2$$

- The detuning of the potential is never a problem at that level

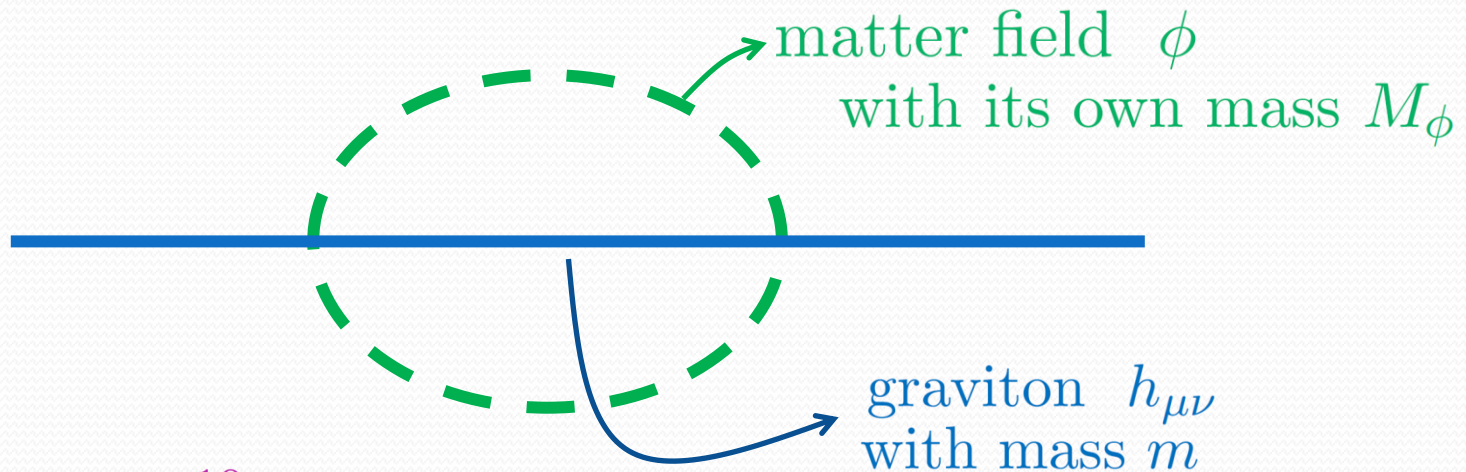
$$m_{\text{gh}}^2 \gtrsim M_{\text{Pl}}^2$$

- Even on top of large background configurations

$$\frac{\partial^2 \pi_0}{\Lambda^3} \gg 1$$

Beyond 1-loop...

- Beyond 1-loop the question is still open...
- At higher order in loops, loops can mix virtual matter fields and graviton fields



Could have a mixing $\frac{M_\phi^{10}}{m^4 M_{\text{Pl}}^4} [h^2]$ which could be fatal...

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Perturbations about a background

$$\pi = \pi_0 + \pi$$

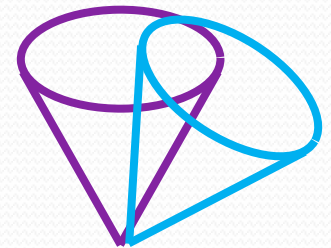
$$Z^{\mu\nu} = \eta^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{\Lambda^3}(\partial^\mu\partial^\nu\pi_0 - \Box\pi_0\eta^{\mu\nu})$$

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- Change the kinetic structure !!!
- Fluctuations see a different effective metric
- Fluctuations can propagate faster than light !



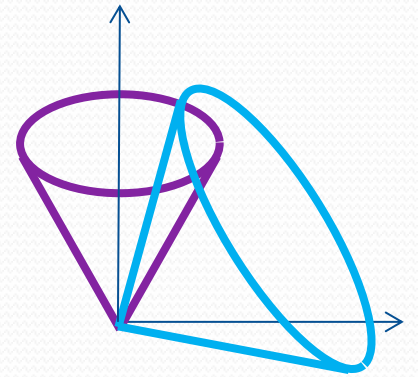
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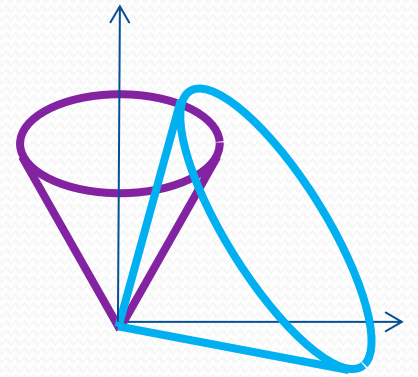


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who knows...

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Strong Coupling Issues & Superluminalities

Ubiquitous to Galileon theories
& to massive gravity (?)

Yet these theories are dual to perfectly fine theories
(eg. Free theory)

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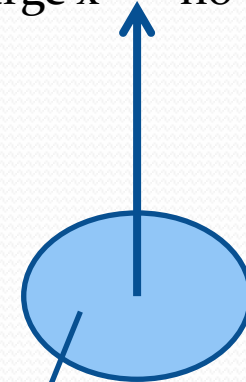
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Small x
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Large \tilde{x}

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Strong coupling



Weak coupling

Strong Coupling in the Dual theory

- The dual theory is under control as long as

$$\Delta\tilde{x} > \Lambda^{-1}$$

- Back to the original theory, this implies

$$\Delta x > \frac{(\Lambda x)^{3/2}}{(M/M_{\text{Pl}})^{1/2}} \Lambda^{-1} \sim 10^{-8} \text{cm} \quad \text{For the Earth}$$

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- Yet the dual theory is just free !

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- Trivially causal, unitary, UV complete,...

Something to think about...

Outlook

- Massive Gravity is a specific framework to study IR modifications of Gravity
- It could play a role for
 - the late-time acceleration of the Universe
 - the cosmological constant problem
- We now have the theoretical formalism to describe a stable theory of massive gravity
- It behaves a scalar-tensor Galileon theory in some limit, hand in hand with a Vainshtein mechanism

Outlook

- Galileon theories are plagued with both

Superluminalities & Strong Issues

- These issues could be tackled by a field redefinition
DUAL GALILEON ?
- Massive Gravity requires tuning
 - The graviton mass is technically natural
 - At 1-loop* the potential does not get strongly destabilized
 - At higher loops*, it still need to be explored...