

CHALLENGES FOR INFLATION



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Construction of Ghost Free & Singularity Free Theory of Gravity

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Einstein's GR is well behaved in IR, but UV is Pathetic; Aim is to address the UV aspects of Gravity

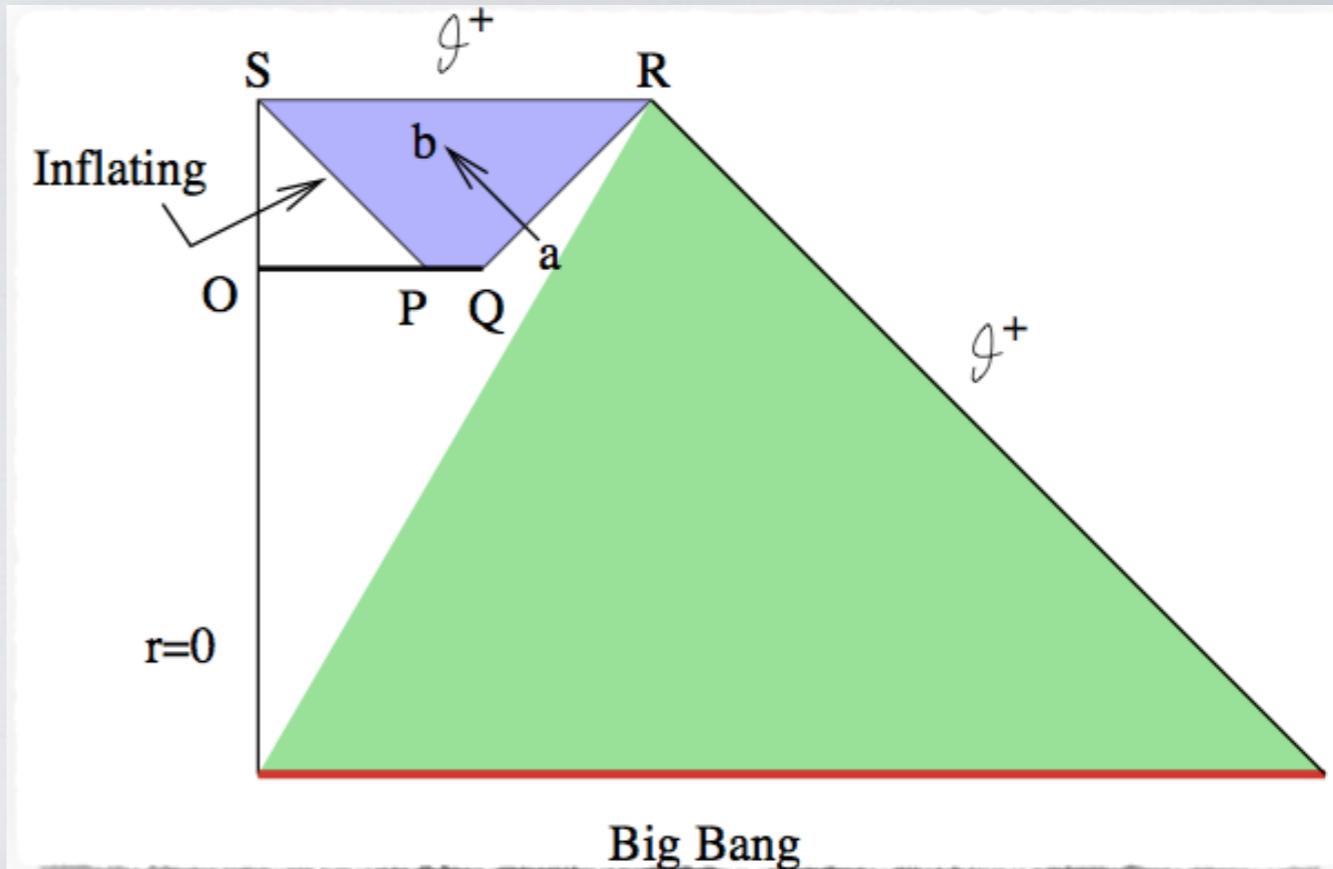
HOW EASY IS TO INFLATE THE UNIVERSE ?

**Can we inflate a
local patch of space
time in a
laboratory ?**

Farhi, Guth, Linde, Vilenkin,

CHALLENGES & ASSUMPTIONS

We need to embed inflation within FRW Universe, which has a space like singularity within GR



Inflationary patch has to be embedded within an anti-trapped region, i.e.

$$\frac{d\theta}{d\tau} > 0$$

$$\theta = \nabla_a N^a$$

$$\frac{d\theta}{d\tau} + \frac{1}{2}\theta^2 \leq -R_{ab}N^a N^b$$

$$R_{ab}N^a N^b = 8\pi T_{ab}N^a N^b \geq 0$$

$$\frac{d\theta}{d\tau} \leq 0 \quad \rho + p \geq 0$$

Inflation ought to be embedded within an already inflating patch !!

HOW EASY IS TO ENTER THE SLOW ROLL PHASE ?

$$\frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2 \sim \frac{1}{2}(\partial_i \phi)^2 \sim V(\phi) \sim M_p^4$$



$$\frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_i \phi)^2 \leq V(\phi) \leq M_p^4$$

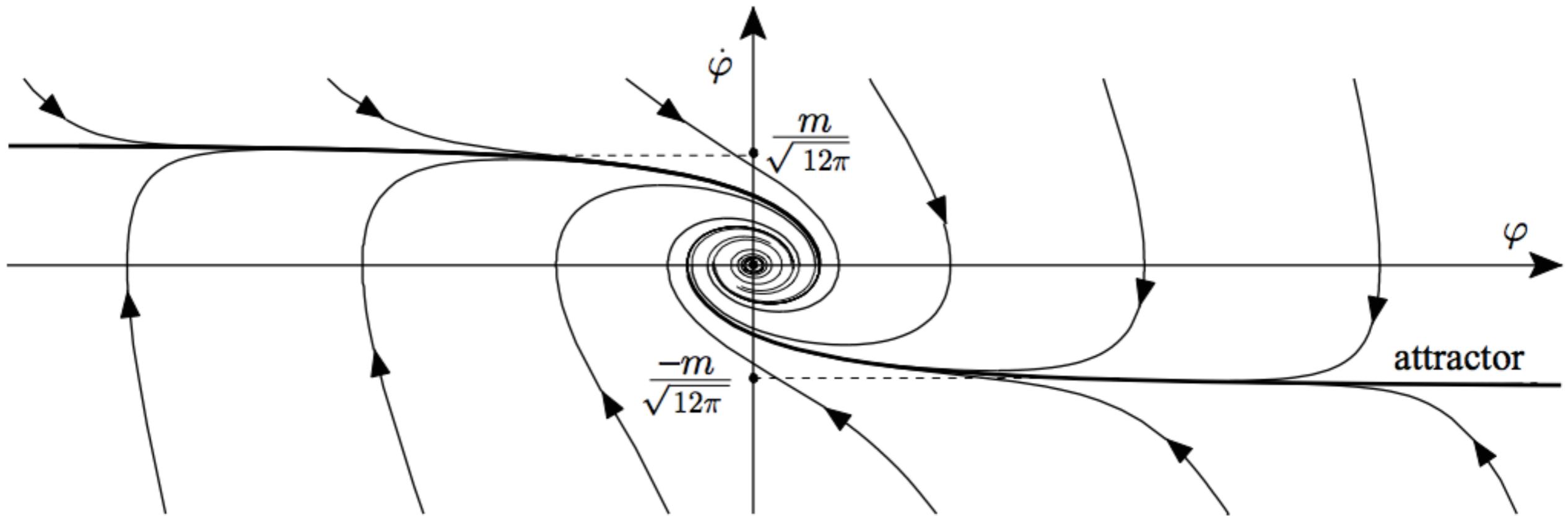
Anthropic arguments

Dynamical attractor

$$\ddot{\varphi} + 3H\dot{\varphi} + V_{,\varphi} = 0$$

$$H^2 = \frac{8\pi}{3} \left(\frac{1}{2}\dot{\varphi}^2 + V(\varphi) \right)$$

$$V = \frac{1}{2}m^2\phi^2$$

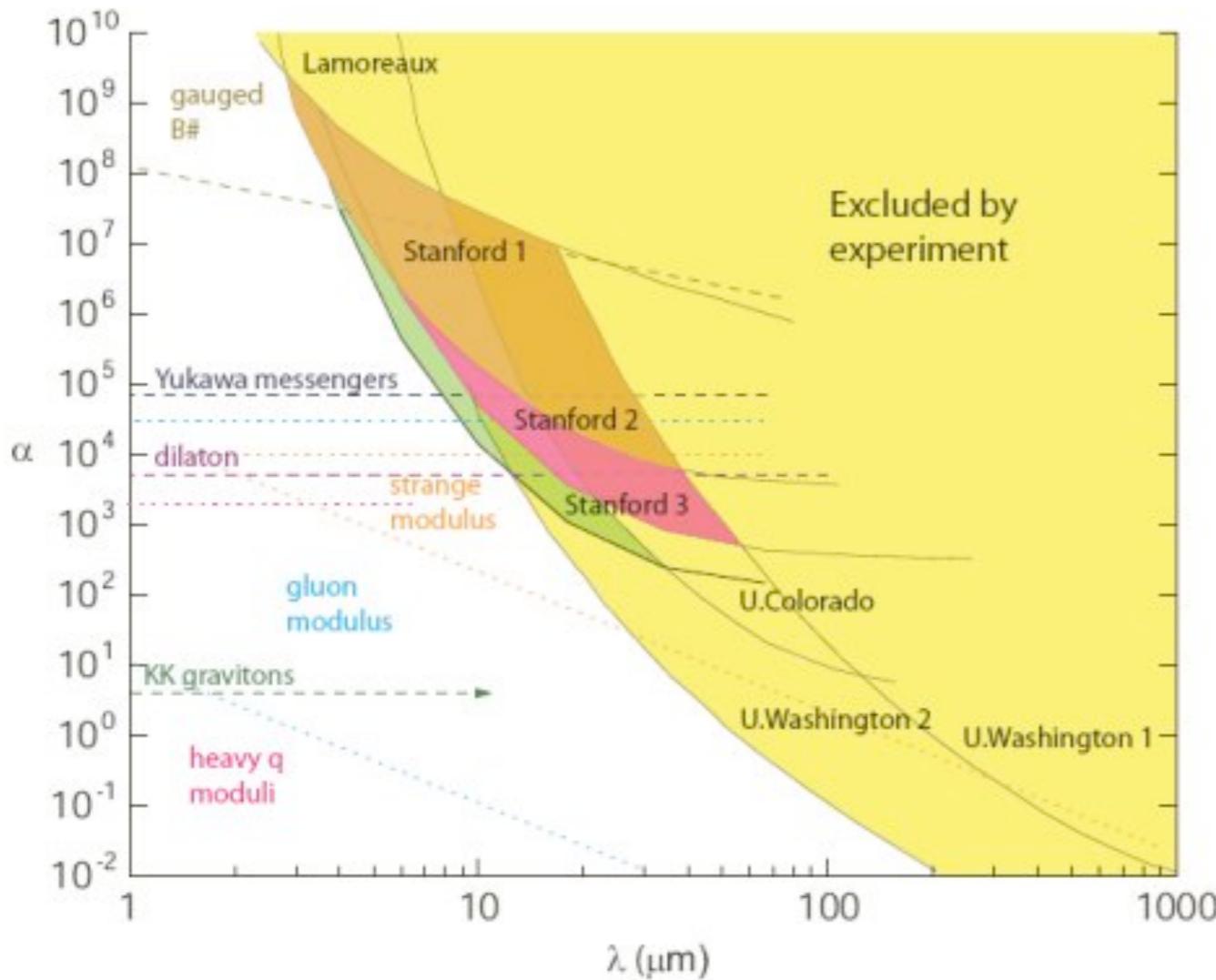


In order to seek inflation/attractor, we neglect the gradient term, we assume Homogeneity from the beginning.

Linde, Mukhanov

Anthropic argument - there must exist a patch which could inflate !

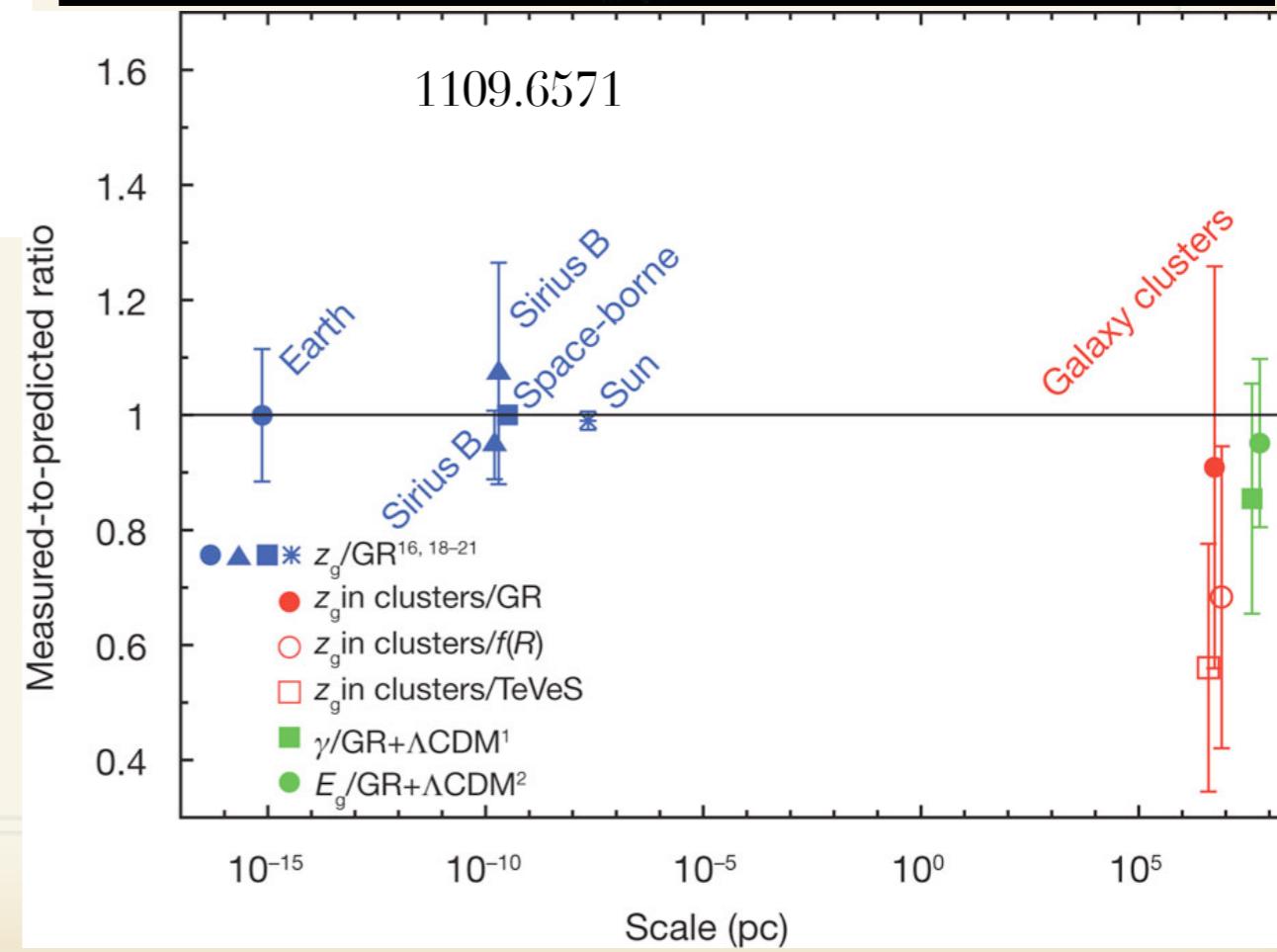
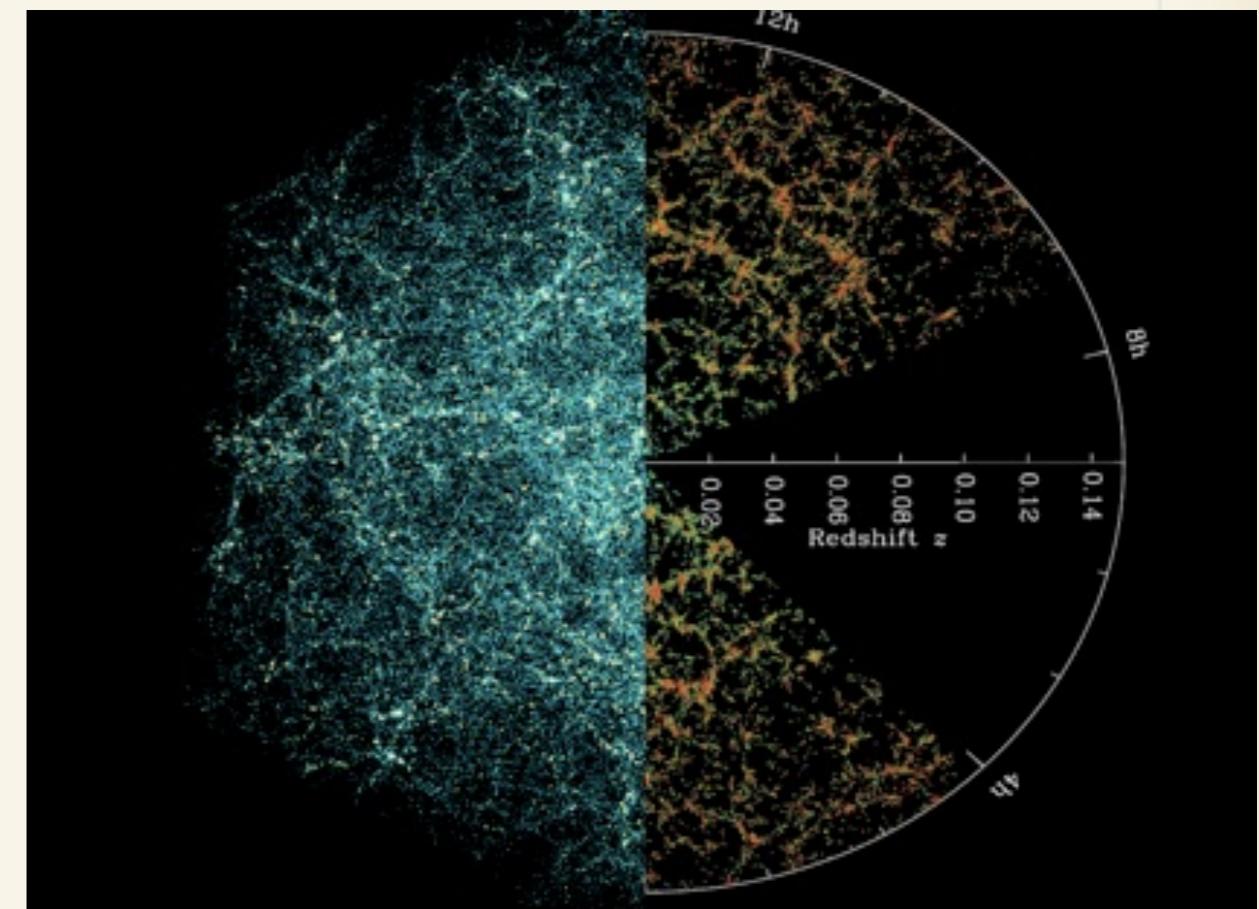
Tests of $1/r$ gravity: 10^{-4} cm – 10^{26} cm



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$$V = -\frac{Gm_1m_2}{r} \left(1 + \alpha e^{-r/\lambda} \right)$$

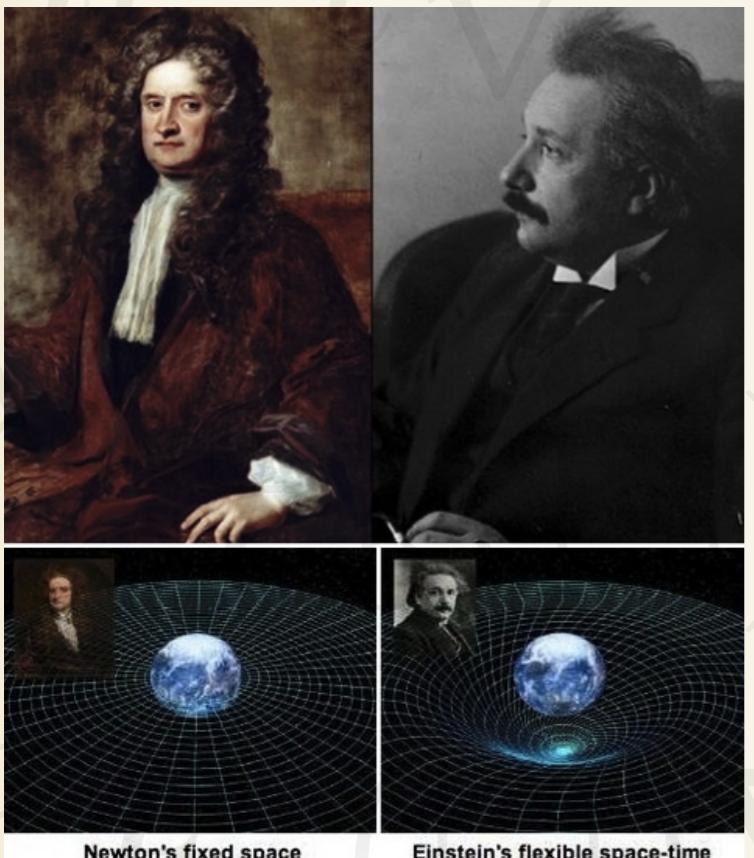
There is NO departure from inverse square law gravity



Classical Singularities

UV is Pathological,

IR Part is Safe



$$S = \int \sqrt{-g} d^4x \left(\frac{R}{16\pi G} + \dots \right)$$

What terms shall we add such that gravity
behaves better at small distances and
at early times ?

While keeping the General Covariance



$$S = \int \sqrt{-g} d^4x \left(\frac{R}{16\pi G} \right)$$

Motivations

- ~ **Resolution to Blackhole Singularity**
- ~ **Resolution for Quantum Mechanics & Gravity**
Blackhole Information Loss Paradox
- ~ **Resolution to Cosmological Big Bang Singularity**
Geodesically complete Inflationary Trajectory

While Keeping IR Property of GR Intact

Bottom-up approach

- ~ Higher derivative gravity & ghosts
- ~ Covariant extension of higher derivative ghost-free gravity
- ~ Singularity free theory of gravity
- ~ Background independent action of UV gravity

4d picture of Gravity



As an example...

- ~ **String Theory Introduces 2 Parameters**

$$\kappa^2 \approx g_s^2(\alpha')^{12}$$

- ~ **Fundamental Strings are Non-Local**
- ~ **DBI action ameliorates the Point like Singularity of Coulomb Solution**
- ~ **DBI Action Provides a Description of Open Strings to All Orders in α' at One-Loop**

$$S = -T_p \int d^{p+1} \zeta \sqrt{-\det(\gamma_{ab} + 2\pi\alpha' F_{ab})}$$

**Challenge for String Theorists:
To Construct a similar Action for
Closed Strings with All Orders in α'**

4th Derivative Gravity & Power Counting renormalizability

$$I = \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \left[\lambda_0 + k R + a R_{\mu\nu} R^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{3} (b + a) R^2 \right]$$

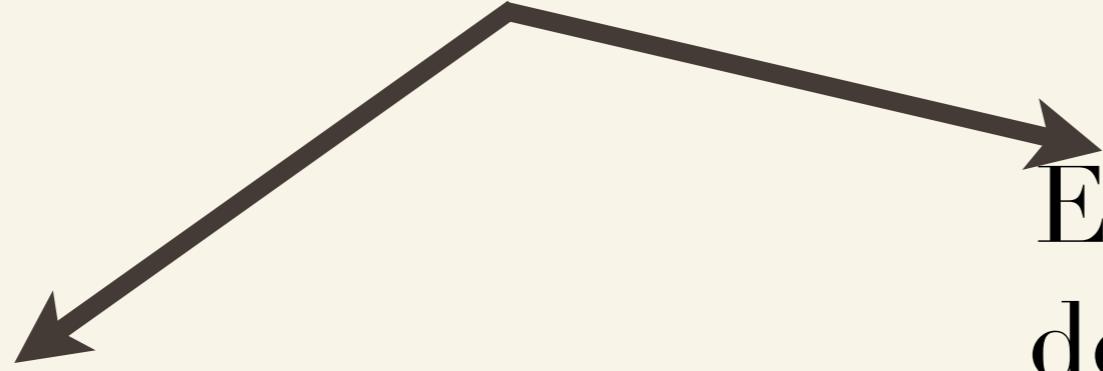
$$D \propto \frac{1}{k^4 + Ak^2} = \frac{1}{A} \left(\frac{1}{k^2} - \frac{1}{k^2 + A} \right)$$

Massive Spin-0 & **Massive Spin-2 (Ghost) Stelle (1977)**

Utiyama, De Witt (1961), Stelle (1977)

Modification of Einstein's GR

Modification
of Graviton
Propagator



Extra propagating
degree of freedom

Challenge: to get rid of the extra dof

Ghosts

Higher Order Derivative Theory Generically Carry Ghosts (-ve Risidue) with real “m” (No-Tachyon)

$$S = \int d^4x \phi \square (\square + m^2) \phi \Rightarrow \square (\square + m^2) \phi = 0$$

$$\Delta(p^2) = \frac{1}{p^2(p^2+m^2)} \sim \frac{1}{p^2} - \frac{1}{(p^2+m^2)}$$

Propagator with first
order poles

Ghosts cannot be cured order by order, finite terms in perturbative expansion will always lead to Ghosts !!

Higher Derivative Action around Minkowski

$$S = S_E + S_q$$

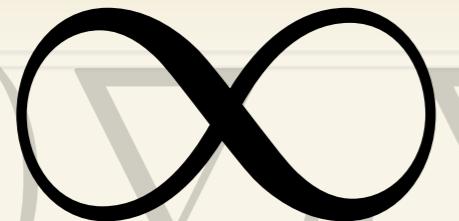
$$S_q = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [R_{\dots} \mathcal{O}^{\dots} R^{\dots} + R_{\dots} \mathcal{O}^{\dots} R^{\dots} \mathcal{O}^{\dots} R^{\dots} + R_{\dots} \mathcal{O}^{\dots} R^{\dots} \mathcal{O}^{\dots} R^{\dots} \mathcal{O}^{\dots} R^{\dots} + \dots]$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu} \quad R \sim \mathcal{O}(h)$$

$$S_q = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} R_{\mu_1 \nu_1 \lambda_1 \sigma_1} \mathcal{O}_{\mu_2 \nu_2 \lambda_2 \sigma_2}^{\mu_1 \nu_1 \lambda_1 \sigma_1} R^{\mu_2 \nu_2 \lambda_2 \sigma_2}$$

Covariant derivatives

Unknown Infinite
Functions of Derivatives



$\nabla_{\mu} \nabla_{\nu} - R^{\mu\nu}$



$+ R_{\mu\nu} F_3$

$$\begin{aligned} S_q = & \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [RF_1(\square)R + RF_2(\square)\nabla_{\mu}\nabla_{\nu}R^{\mu\nu} + R_{\mu\nu}F_3(\square)R^{\mu\nu} + R_{\mu}^{\nu}F_4(\square)\nabla_{\nu}\nabla_{\lambda}R^{\mu\lambda} \\ & + R^{\lambda\sigma}F_5(\square)\nabla_{\mu}\nabla_{\sigma}\nabla_{\nu}\nabla_{\lambda}R^{\mu\nu} + RF_6(\square)\nabla_{\mu}\nabla_{\nu}\nabla_{\lambda}\nabla_{\sigma}R^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} + R_{\mu\lambda}F_7(\square)\nabla_{\nu}\nabla_{\sigma}R^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} \\ & + R_{\lambda}^{\rho}F_8(\square)\nabla_{\mu}\nabla_{\sigma}\nabla_{\nu}\nabla_{\rho}R^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} + R^{\mu_1\nu_1}F_9(\square)\nabla_{\mu_1}\nabla_{\nu_1}\nabla_{\mu}\nabla_{\nu}\nabla_{\lambda}\nabla_{\sigma}R^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} \\ & + R_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma}F_{10}(\square)R^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} + R_{\mu\nu\lambda}^{\rho}F_{11}(\square)\nabla_{\rho}\nabla_{\sigma}R^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} + R_{\mu\rho_1\nu\sigma_1}F_{12}(\square)\nabla^{\rho_1}\nabla^{\sigma_1}\nabla_{\rho}\nabla_{\sigma}R^{\mu\rho\nu\sigma} \\ & + R_{\mu}^{\nu_1\rho_1\sigma_1}F_{13}(\square)\nabla_{\rho_1}\nabla_{\sigma_1}\nabla_{\nu_1}\nabla_{\mu}\nabla_{\rho}\nabla_{\sigma}R^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} + R^{\mu_1\nu_1\rho_1\sigma_1}F_{14}(\square)\nabla_{\rho_1}\nabla_{\sigma_1}\nabla_{\nu_1}\nabla_{\mu_1}\nabla_{\mu}\nabla_{\nu}\nabla_{\rho}\nabla_{\sigma}R^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma}] \end{aligned}$$

$$F_i(\square) = \sum_{n \geq 0} f_{i,n} \square^n$$

What Have We Gained ?

Fundamental Theory Must
have Finite Parameters

Redundancies

$$\begin{aligned}
S_q = & \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [RF_1(\square)R + RF_2(\square)\nabla_\mu\nabla_\nu R^{\mu\nu} + R_{\mu\nu}F_3(\square)R^{\mu\nu} + R_\mu^\nu F_4(\square)\nabla_\nu\nabla_\lambda R^{\mu\lambda} \\
& + R^{\lambda\sigma}F_5(\square)\nabla_\mu\nabla_\sigma\nabla_\nu\nabla_\lambda R^{\mu\nu} + RF_6(\square)\nabla_\mu\nabla_\nu\nabla_\lambda\nabla_\sigma R^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} + R_{\mu\lambda}F_7(\square)\nabla_\nu\nabla_\sigma R^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} \\
& + R_\lambda^\rho F_8(\square)\nabla_\mu\nabla_\sigma\nabla_\nu\nabla_\rho R^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} + R^{\mu_1\nu_1}F_9(\square)\nabla_{\mu_1}\nabla_{\nu_1}\nabla_\mu\nabla_\nu\nabla_\lambda\nabla_\sigma R^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} \\
& + R_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma}F_{10}(\square)R^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} + R_{\mu\nu\lambda}^\rho F_{11}(\square)\nabla_\rho\nabla_\sigma R^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} + R_{\mu\rho_1\nu\sigma_1}F_{12}(\square)\nabla^{\rho_1}\nabla^{\sigma_1}\nabla_\rho\nabla_\sigma R^{\mu\rho\nu\sigma} \\
& + R_\mu^{\nu_1\rho_1\sigma_1}F_{13}(\square)\nabla_{\rho_1}\nabla_{\sigma_1}\nabla_{\nu_1}\nabla_\nu\nabla_\rho\nabla_\sigma R^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} + R^{\mu_1\nu_1\rho_1\sigma_1}F_{14}(\square)\nabla_{\rho_1}\nabla_{\sigma_1}\nabla_{\nu_1}\nabla_{\mu_1}\nabla_\mu\nabla_\nu\nabla_\rho\nabla_\sigma R^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma}
\end{aligned}$$

$$= \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [R + R\mathcal{F}_1(\square)R + R_{\mu\nu}\mathcal{F}_2(\square)R^{\mu\nu} + R_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}\mathcal{F}_3(\square)R^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}]$$

$$\Delta\mathcal{L} = \sqrt{-g} (\alpha R^2 + \beta R_{\mu\nu}^2 + \gamma R_{\alpha\beta\mu\nu}^2)$$

$$\int d^4x \sqrt{-g} (R^2 - 4R_{\mu\nu}^2 + R_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}^2)$$

**Gauss-Bonet
Gravity**

$$= \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [R + R\mathcal{F}_1(\square)R + R_{\mu\nu}\mathcal{F}_2(\square)R^{\mu\nu} + R_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}\mathcal{F}_3(\square)R^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}]$$

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

$$S_q = - \int d^4x \left[\frac{1}{2} h_{\mu\nu} a(\square) \square h^{\mu\nu} + h_\mu^\sigma b(\square) \partial_\sigma \partial_\nu h^{\mu\nu} \right. \\ \left. + h c(\square) \partial_\mu \partial_\nu h^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} h d(\square) \square h + h^{\lambda\sigma} \frac{f(\square)}{\square} \partial_\sigma \partial_\lambda \partial_\mu \partial_\nu h^{\mu\nu} \right] \quad (3)$$

$$a(\square) = 1 - \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{F}_2(\square)\square - 2\mathcal{F}_3(\square)\square$$

$$b(\square) = -1 + \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{F}_2(\square)\square + 2\mathcal{F}_3(\square)\square$$

$$c(\square) = 1 + 2\mathcal{F}_1(\square)\square + \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{F}_2(\square)\square$$

$$d(\square) = -1 - 2\mathcal{F}_1(\square)\square - \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{F}_2(\square)\square$$

$$f(\square) = -2\mathcal{F}_1(\square)\square - \mathcal{F}_2(\square)\square - 2\mathcal{F}_3(\square)\square.$$

$\mathcal{F}_3(\square)$ is redundant around Minkowski

$$R_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_{[\lambda}\partial_{\nu}h_{\mu\sigma]} - \partial_{[\lambda}\partial_{\mu}h_{\nu\sigma]}) \\ R_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\sigma \partial_{(\nu}h_{\mu)}^\sigma - \partial_\nu \partial_\mu h - \square h_{\mu\nu}) \\ R = \partial_\nu \partial_\mu h^{\mu\nu} - \square h$$

$$a + b = 0$$

$$c + d = 0$$

$$b + c + f = 0$$

Graviton Propagator

$$a(\square)\square h_{\mu\nu} + b(\square)\partial_\sigma\partial_{(\nu}h_{\mu)}^\sigma + c(\square)(\eta_{\mu\nu}\partial_\rho\partial_\sigma h^{\rho\sigma} + \partial_\mu\partial_\nu h) \\ + \eta_{\mu\nu}d(\square)\square h + \frac{1}{4}f(\square)\square^{-1}\partial_\sigma\partial_\lambda\partial_\mu\partial_\nu h^{\lambda\sigma} = -\kappa\tau_{\mu\nu}$$

$$-\kappa\tau\nabla_\mu\tau_\nu^\mu = 0 = (\overset{\approx}{c+d})\square\partial_\nu h + (\overset{\approx}{a+b})\square h_{\nu,\mu}^\mu + (\overset{\approx}{b+c+f})h_{,\alpha\beta\nu}^{\alpha\beta}$$

Bianchi Identity

$$a + b = 0$$

$$c + d = 0$$

$$b + c + f = 0$$

Biswas, Koivisto, AM
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$$\Pi_{\mu\nu}^{-1\lambda\sigma} h_{\lambda\sigma} = \kappa\tau_{\mu\nu} \quad h = h^{TT} + h^L + h^T$$

$$\Pi = \frac{P^2}{ak^2} + \frac{P_s^0}{(a - 3c)k^2}$$

Covariant Modification of a Graviton Propagator : Only 1 Entire Function

$$\Pi = \frac{P^2}{ak^2} + \frac{P_s^0}{(a - 3c)k^2} = \frac{1}{a} \left[\frac{P^2}{k^2} - \frac{P_s^0}{2k^2} \right]$$

Demand: $a(k^2) = c(k^2)$

Recovers GR $\lim_{k^2 \rightarrow 0} \Pi^{\mu\nu}{}_{\lambda\sigma} = (P^2/k^2) - (P_s^0/2k^2)$

$$a(0) = c(0) = -b(0) = -d(0) = 1$$

UV

IR

ONLY 1 Non-Singular, Analytic functions at k=0, is required to Ameliorate the UV property of GR

‘a’ should be an Entire Function & cannot contain non-local operators, such as $a(\square) \sim 1/\square$

Ghost Free Gravity

$$a(\square) = c(\square) \Rightarrow 2\mathcal{F}_1(\square) + \mathcal{F}_2(\square) + 2\mathcal{F}_3(\square) = 0$$

Entire Function

$$\Pi = \frac{P^2}{ak^2} + \frac{P_s^0}{(a - 3c)k^2} = \frac{1}{a} \left[\frac{P^2}{k^2} - \frac{P_s^0}{2k^2} \right]$$

$$a(\square) = c(\square) = e^{-\square/M^2}$$

Some function of k which falls faster than $1/k^2$

$$a(\square) = e^{-\frac{\square}{M^2}} \text{ and } \mathcal{F}_3 = 0 \Rightarrow \mathcal{F}_1(\square) = \frac{e^{-\frac{\square}{M^2}} - 1}{\square} = -\frac{\mathcal{F}_2(\square)}{2}$$

UV Gravity Simplified

$$= \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [R + R\mathcal{F}_1(\square)R + R_{\mu\nu}\mathcal{F}_2(\square)R^{\mu\nu} + R_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}\mathcal{F}_3(\square)R^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}]$$



$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{R}{2} + R \left[\frac{e^{-\frac{\square}{M^2}} - 1}{\square} \right] R - 2R_{\mu\nu} \left[\frac{e^{-\frac{\square}{M^2}} - 1}{\square} \right] R^{\mu\nu} \right]$$

Applications

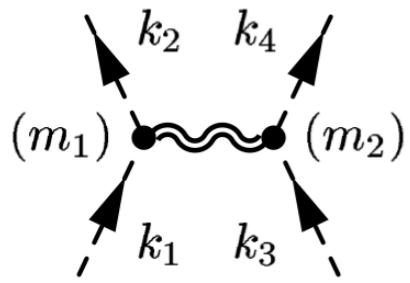
Black Hole Singularity, i.e. Schwarzschild Type

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Cosmological Singularity, i.e. Big Bang Type

Biswas, AM, Siegel, JCAP (hep-th/0508194),
Brandenberger, Biswas, AM, Siegel, JCAP (hep-th/0610274)
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Newtonian Potential



Linearized Solution

$$ds^2 = -(1 - 2\Phi)dt^2 + (1 + 2\Psi)dr^2$$

$$(a(\square) - 3c(\square))\square h + (4c(\square) - 2a(\square) + f(\square))\partial_\mu \partial_\nu h^{\mu\nu} = \kappa\rho$$

$$a(\square)\square h_{00} + c(\square)\square h - c(\square)\partial_\mu \partial_\nu h^{\mu\nu} = -\kappa\rho$$

For $f = 0$ and $a(\square) = c(\square)$

$$4a(\nabla^2)\nabla^2\Phi = 4a(\nabla^2)\nabla^2\Psi = \kappa\rho = \kappa m \delta^3(\vec{r})$$

$$a(\square) = e^{-\square/M^2}$$

Varying slowly with time

$$\square \longrightarrow \nabla^2$$

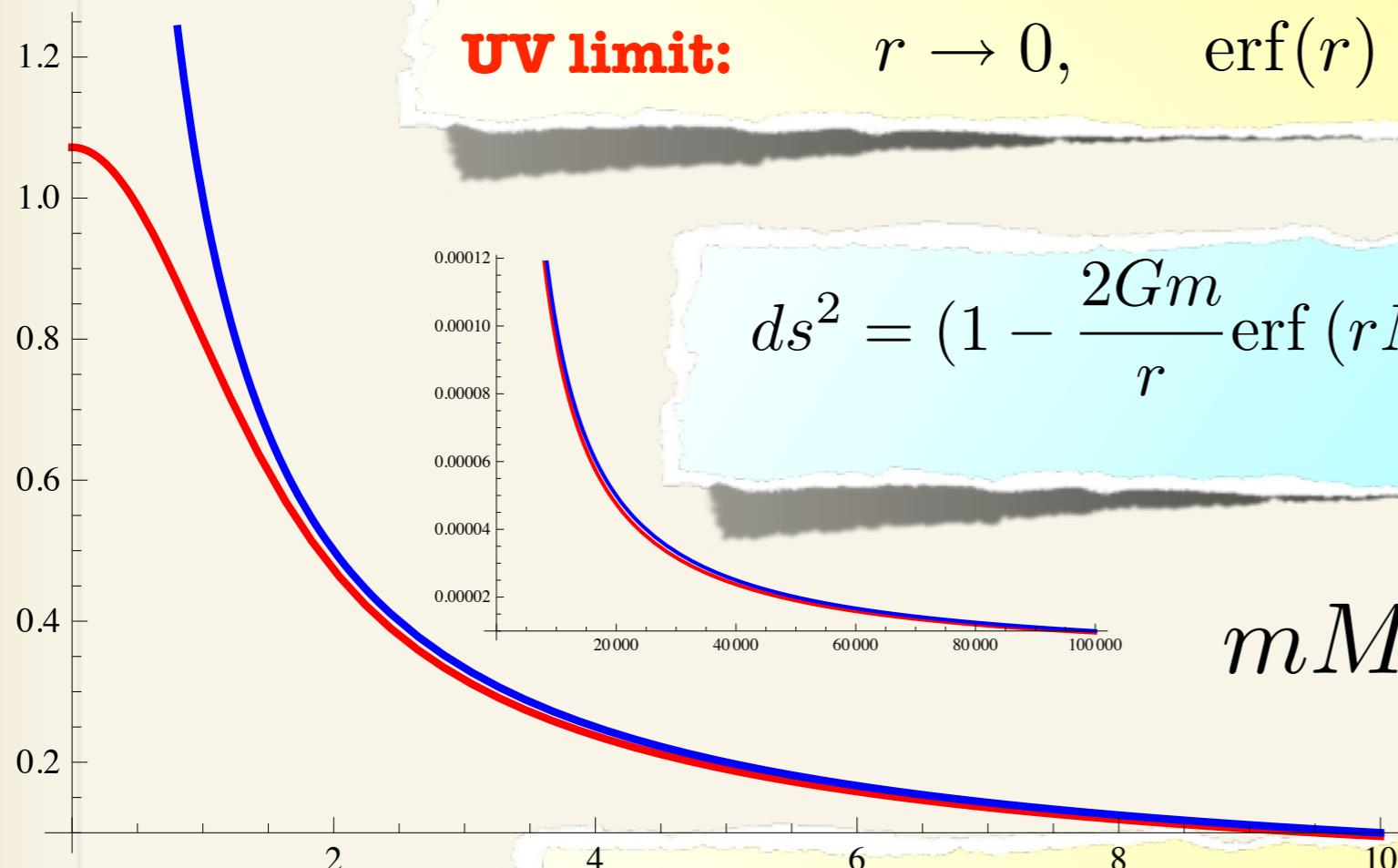
$$\Phi(r) \sim \kappa m \int \frac{dp}{p} e^{-p^2/M^2} \sin(pr) = \kappa \frac{m\pi}{4\pi^2 r} \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{rM}{2}\right) = \frac{Gm}{r} \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{rM}{2}\right) = \frac{m}{4\pi M_p^2 r} \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{rM}{2}\right)$$

$$mM \ll M_p^2 \implies m \ll M_p$$

Non Singular Solution

UV limit: $r \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{erf}(r) \rightarrow r \quad \Phi(r) \rightarrow \text{const.}$

$$ds^2 = \left(1 - \frac{2Gm}{r}\right) dt^2 - \frac{dr^2}{\left(1 - \frac{2Gm}{r}\right)}$$



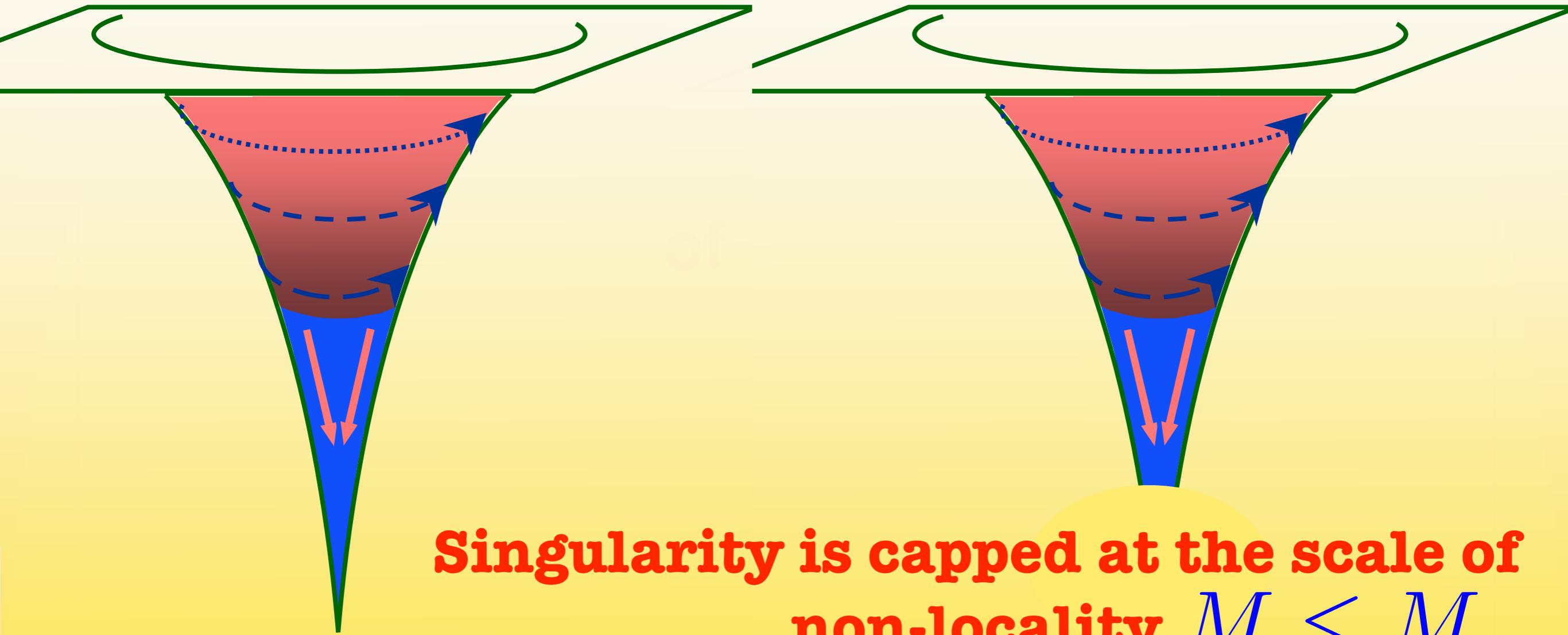
$$mM \ll M_p^2 \implies m \ll M_p$$

IR limit: $r \rightarrow \infty, \quad \text{erf}(r) \rightarrow 1 \quad \Phi(r) \rightarrow \frac{1}{r}$

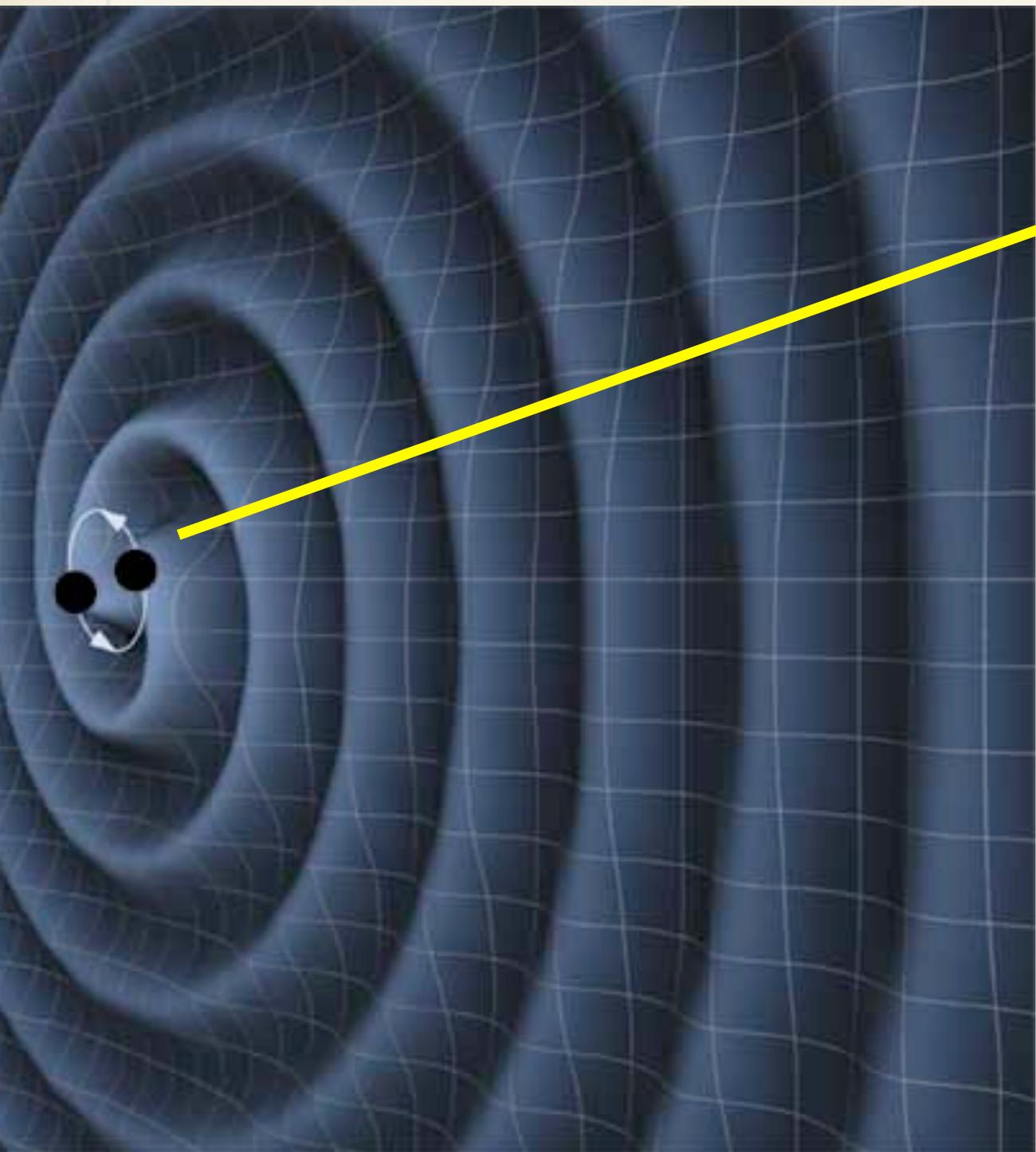
No Singularity \longrightarrow **No Horizon**

No Information Loss Paradox

Where would you expect the modifications?



Gravitational Waves



$$\bar{h}_{jk} \approx G \frac{\omega^2 (ML^2)}{r}$$



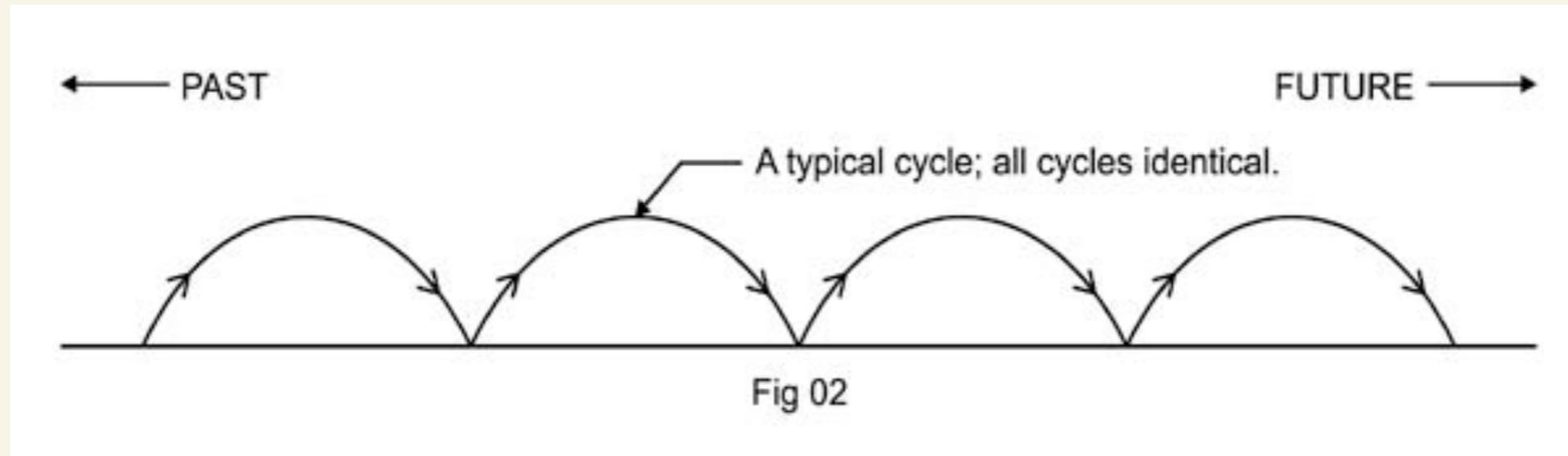
Large r
limit

$$\bar{h}_{jk} \approx G \frac{\omega^2 (ML^2)}{r} \operatorname{erf} \left(\frac{rM_P}{2} \right)$$

$r \rightarrow 0$, No Singularity

Non-Singular Bouncing Solution

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{R}{2} + R \left[\frac{e^{-\frac{\square}{M^2}} - 1}{\square} \right] R - 2R_{\mu\nu} \left[\frac{e^{-\frac{\square}{M^2}} - 1}{\square} \right] R^{\mu\nu} \right]$$



$h \sim \text{diag}(0, A \sin \lambda t, A \sin \lambda t, A \sin \lambda t)$ with $A \ll 1$

Non- Singular Bouncing, Homogeneous & Isotropic Universe

Such a solution is not possible in GR

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Implications for Cosmic Inflation

Revisiting Hawking-Penrose Singularity Theorems

$$\theta = \nabla_a N^a$$

$$\frac{d\theta}{d\tau} + \frac{1}{2}\theta^2 \leq -R_{ab}N^a N^b$$

General Relativity

$$R_{ab}N^a N^b = 8\pi T_{ab}N^a N^b \geq 0$$

$$\frac{d\theta}{d\tau} \leq 0$$

$$\rho + p \geq 0$$

Non-local extension of GR

$$R_{ab}N^a N^b \leq 0, \quad \frac{d\theta}{d\tau} + \frac{1}{2}\theta^2 \geq 0$$

$$R_{ab}N^a N^b \neq 8\pi T_{ab}N^a N^b$$

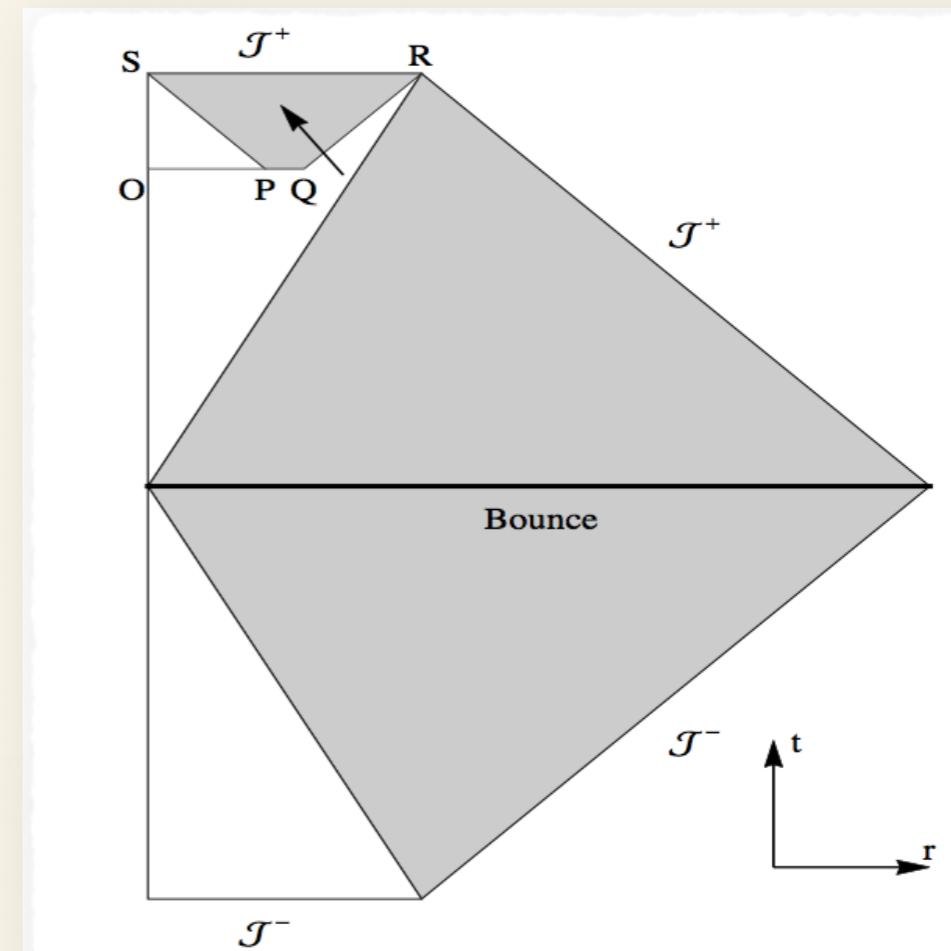
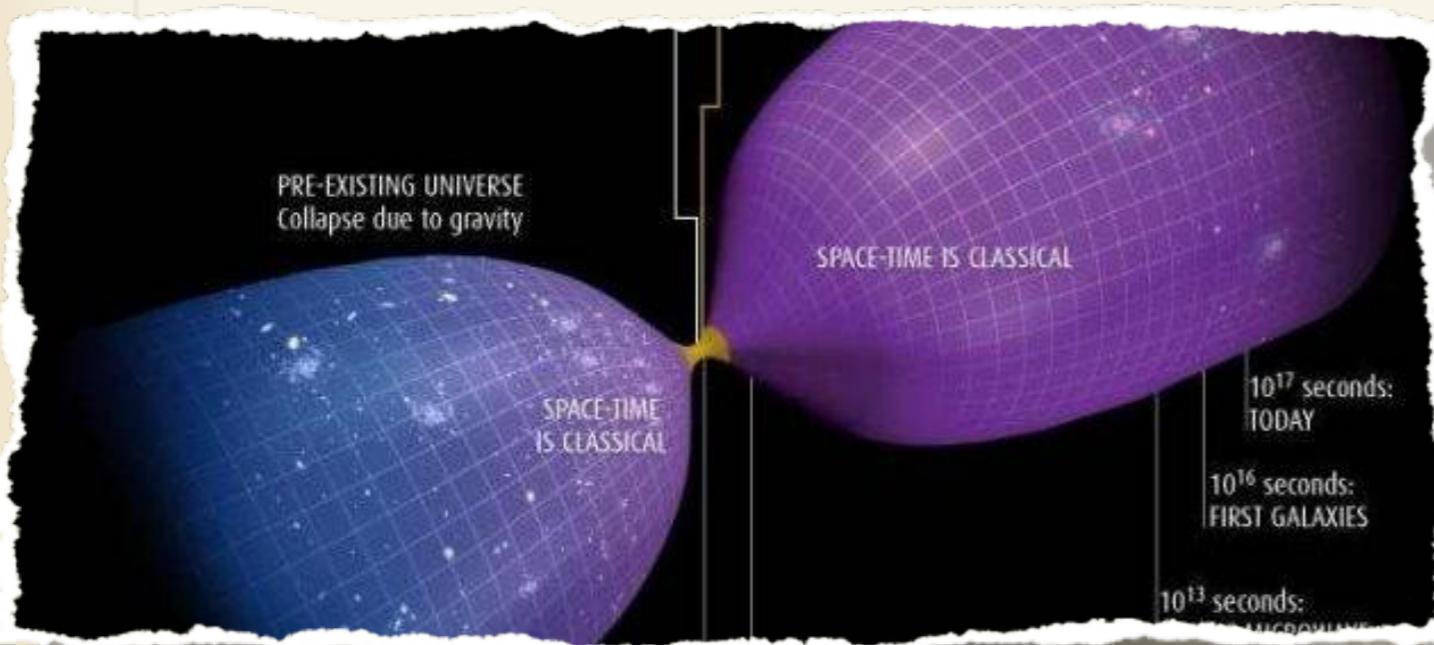
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Revisiting Singularity Theorems

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left(\frac{M_P^2}{2} R + \frac{R\mathcal{F}(\square)R}{2} \right)$$

$$R_{\mu\nu}k^\mu k^\nu = (k^0)^2 \frac{(\rho + p) + 2\partial_t^2(\mathcal{F}(\square)R)}{M_p^2 + 2\mathcal{F}(\square)R}$$

$$R_{\mu\nu}k^\mu k^\nu \leq 0, \quad T_{\mu\nu}k^\mu k^\nu \geq 0 \rightarrow (\rho + p \geq 0)$$

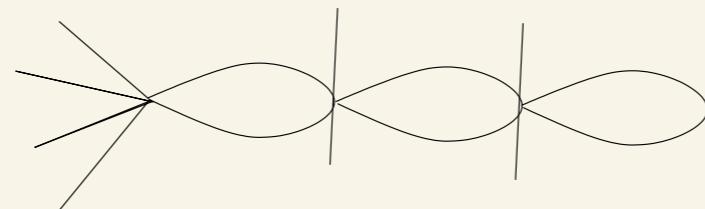


$$\frac{d\theta}{d\tau} + \frac{1}{2}\theta^2 \geq 0$$

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Non-locality & Quantum Gravity

$$S = \int d^4x \left[\phi \square e^{\frac{-\square}{M^2}} \phi - \frac{\phi^6}{M_6^2} \right]$$



$$\frac{1}{M_6^2} \left[\int d^4p \frac{e^{\frac{-p^2}{M^2}}}{p^2} \right] \sim \frac{M^2}{M_6^2}$$

- ~ Gravity is a Gauge Theory : Free kinetic action is tangled with interactions
- ~ Vertices have the same exponential enhancement as the suppression in the propagator : One has to do the calculation ...
- ~ Effective description : Arising from the integrations of quantum fluctuations of some unknown degrees of freedom -- the question of quantisation has no meaning, and one has to use the classical solutions as master fields (collective variables) for the quantum dynamics of the unknown degrees of freedom.

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{R}{2} + \alpha_0(R, R_{\mu\nu}) + \alpha_1(R, R_{\mu\nu}) R \mathcal{F}_1(\square) R + \alpha_2(R, R_{\mu\nu}) R_{\mu\nu} \mathcal{F}_2(\square) R^{\mu\nu} + \alpha_3(R, R_{\mu\nu}) C_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} \mathcal{F}_3 C^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} \right]$$

Summary

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Conjecture : The Form of Most General Action

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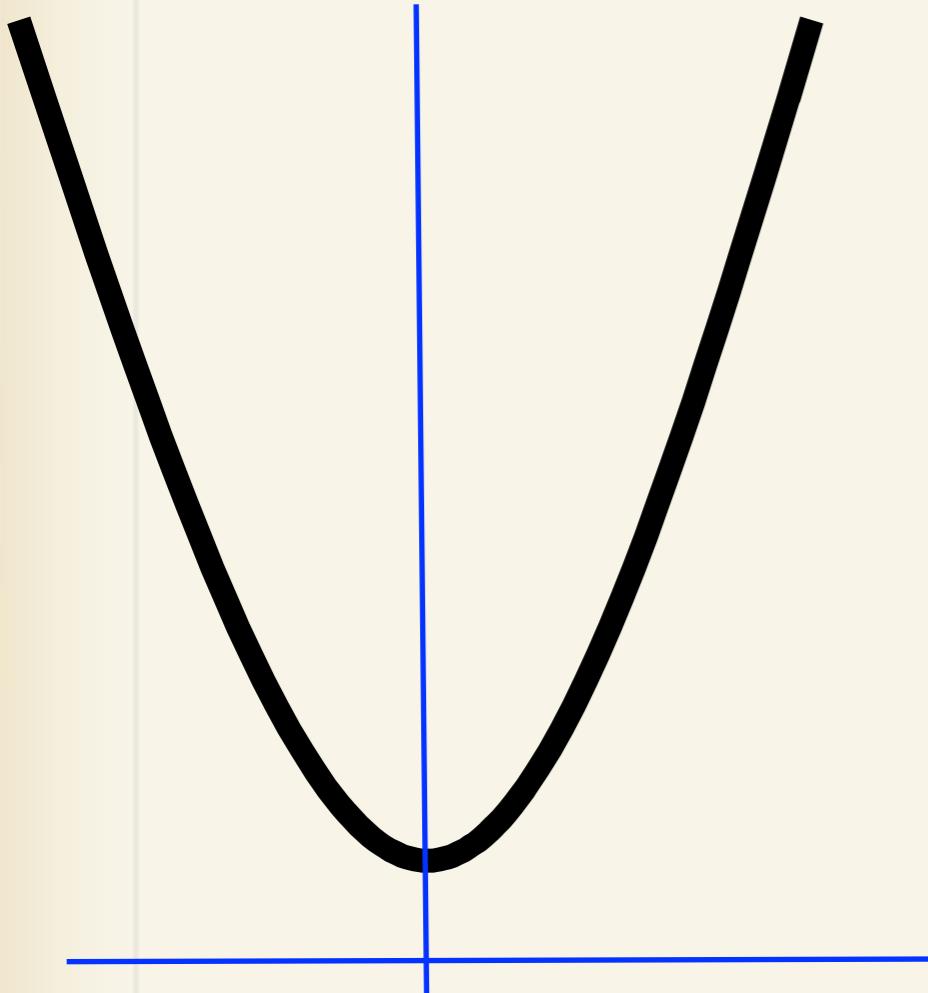
Conclusions

- **We have constructed a Ghost Free & Singularity Free Theory of Gravity**
- **If we can show higher loops are finite then it is a great news --** this is what we are working now
- **But, studying singularity theorems, positive energy theorems, Hawking radiation, Non-Singular Bouncing Cosmology ,, many interesting problems can be studied in this framework**
- **Holography is no longer a property of UV, becomes part of an IR effect. The area law of gravitational entropy will no longer hold true in UV.**

Extra Slides

Full Non-Singular Solution

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$$\ddot{a} > 0 \implies \Lambda > 0$$

Biswas, AM, Siegel, JCAP (hep-th/0508194)

$$\begin{aligned}\square R &= r_1 R + r_2 \\ \Lambda &= -\frac{r_2 M_P^2}{4r_1} \\ a(t) &= \cosh \left(\sqrt{\frac{r_1}{2}} t \right)\end{aligned}$$



**Does Not Contribute to
Dynamics But to
Perturbations**

Remarks on $f(R)$ Gravity & 4th Order Gravity

$$= \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [R + R\mathcal{F}_1(\square)R + R_{\mu\nu}\mathcal{F}_2(\square)R^{\mu\nu} + R_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}\mathcal{F}_3(\square)R^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}]$$

$$\mathcal{L} \approx R + c_1 R^2 + c_2 R^3 + c_3 R^4 + c_4 R^5 + c_5 R^6 + \dots$$

Scalar Ghost (Massive Spin 0)

$$\Pi \sim -1/2k^2(k^2 - m^2) + \dots$$

$$I = \int d^4x \sqrt{g} [\lambda_0 + kR + aR_{\mu\nu}R^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{3}(b+a)R^2]$$

Massive Spin-2 Ghost

$$\Pi \sim P_2/k^2(k^2 - m^2) + \dots$$

$f(R)$ type model can be made Ghost Free but they do not improve UV behaviour

4th Order Gravity can Improve UV behaviour but has a Ghost

Non-Singular Bouncing Solution

$$= \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [R + R\mathcal{F}_1(\square)R + R_{\mu\nu}\mathcal{F}_2(\square)R^{\mu\nu} + R_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}\mathcal{F}_3(\square)R^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}]$$

$$\begin{aligned} a(\square)[\square h_{\mu\nu} - \partial_\sigma \partial_{(\nu} h_{\mu)}^\sigma] + c(\square)[\eta_{\mu\nu} \partial_\rho \partial_\sigma h^{\rho\sigma} + \partial_\mu \partial_\nu h - \eta_{\mu\nu} \square h] \\ + [a(\square) - c(\square)] \square^{-1} \partial_\sigma \partial_\lambda \partial_\mu \partial_\nu h^{\lambda\sigma} = -\kappa \tau_{\mu\nu} \end{aligned}$$

$h \sim \text{diag}(0, A \sin \lambda t, A \sin \lambda t, A \sin \lambda t)$ with $A \ll 1$

$$c(\square) \equiv \frac{a(\square)}{3} \left[1 + 2 \left(1 - \frac{\square}{m^2} \right) \tilde{c}(\square) \right]$$

Non- Singular Bouncing, Homogeneous & Isotropic Universe

Such a solution is not possible in GR
Biswas, Gerwick, Koivisto, AM, PRL (2012)
(gr-qc/1110.5249)

Perturbative Quantum Gravity

$$S = \int \mathcal{L}(x) d^4x ; \quad \mathcal{L}(x) = \sqrt{-g} \left(\frac{R}{16\pi G} + \mathcal{L}^{\text{matter}} \right)$$

$$x^\mu \rightarrow x^\mu + \varepsilon \eta^\mu(x) \quad \varepsilon = \sqrt{16\pi G}$$

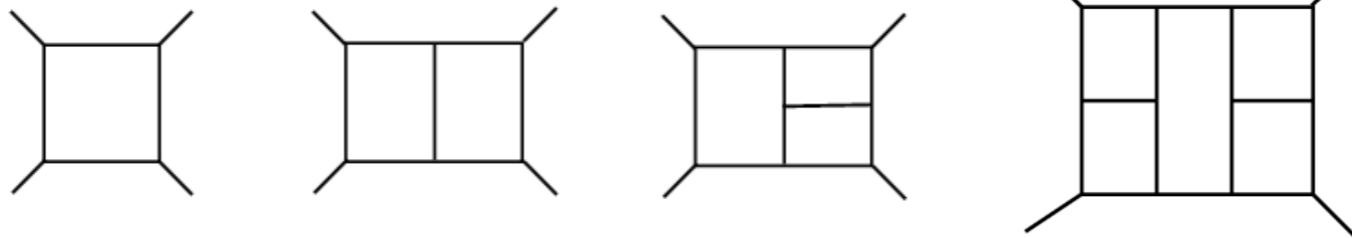
$$\Delta \mathcal{L} = \sqrt{-g} (\alpha R^2 + \beta R_{\mu\nu}^2 + \gamma R_{\alpha\beta\mu\nu}^2) \equiv \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} (R^2 - 4R_{\mu\nu}^2 + R_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}^2)$$

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Graviton Propagator in G-R

$$\partial_\sigma h_{\mu\nu} \partial^\sigma h^{\mu\nu} , \quad \partial^\nu h_{\mu\nu} \partial_\sigma h^{\mu\sigma} \quad \mathcal{L}_{sym} = -\frac{1}{4} \partial_\sigma h_{\mu\nu} \partial^\sigma h^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} \partial^\nu h_{\mu\nu} \partial_\sigma h^{\mu\sigma}$$

$$\partial^\nu h_{\mu\nu} \partial^\mu h_\sigma^\sigma , \quad \partial^\mu h_\nu^\nu \partial_\mu h_\sigma^\sigma \quad -\frac{1}{2} \partial^\nu h_{\mu\nu} \partial^\mu h_\sigma^\sigma + \frac{1}{4} \partial^\mu h_\nu^\nu \partial_\mu h_\sigma^\sigma$$

$$\square h_{\mu\nu} - 2 \partial_\nu \partial^\sigma \bar{h}_{\mu\sigma} = -\kappa \bar{T}_{\mu\nu}$$

$\equiv 0$ Harmonic Gauge

$$\bar{h}_{\mu\nu} = h_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} \eta_{\mu\nu} h_\sigma^\sigma$$

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$$h_{\mu\nu} = \kappa \frac{1}{k^2} (T_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} \eta_{\mu\nu} T_\sigma^\sigma)$$

P Van Nieuwenhuizen (1973)

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} \partial_\mu h_{\alpha\beta} \partial^\mu h^{\alpha\beta} + \frac{1}{8} (\partial_\mu h^\alpha_\alpha)^2 + \frac{1}{2} C_\mu^2 + \frac{1}{2} \kappa h_{\mu\nu} T^{\mu\nu} + \mathcal{L}_{gf} + \dots$$

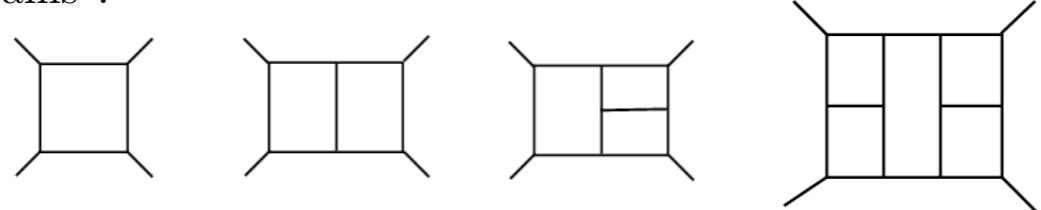
$$D_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}(k) = \frac{\eta_{\mu\alpha}\eta_{\nu\beta} + \eta_{\mu\beta}\eta_{\nu\alpha} - \frac{2}{d-2}\eta_{\mu\nu}\eta_{\alpha\beta}}{k^2}$$

De Donder Gauge

Superficial Degree of Divergence: GR vs BGKM Gravity

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$$E = n_h - I_h$$

n_h = # of graviton vertices

I_h = # of internal graviton propagator

**Higher Loops are
well behaved**

Using Topological Identity : $E = 1 - L$

For $L \geq 2 \Rightarrow E < 0$

Background Independent Action : de & Anti-de Sitter

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{R}{2} + \alpha_1(R) R \left[\frac{e^{-\frac{\square}{M^2}} - 1}{\square/M^2} \right] R - 2\alpha_2(R) R_{\mu\nu} \left[\frac{e^{-\frac{\square}{M^2}} - 1}{\square/M^2} \right] R^{\mu\nu} - \Lambda \right]$$

$\alpha_1(0) = \alpha_2(0) = 1$

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

$$\lambda \left[1 - \frac{32\lambda^2 \alpha'_1(\lambda)}{M_p^2} - \frac{16\lambda^2 \alpha'_2(\lambda)}{M_p^2} \right] = \frac{\Lambda}{M_p^2}$$

$$\bar{R}_{\mu\nu} = \lambda \bar{g}_{\mu\nu}; \quad \bar{R} = 4\lambda \text{ and } \bar{\nabla}_\mu \bar{g}_{\nu\rho} = 0$$

Generic Form of Action

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Looking for Ghosts

$$F(R) = R + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n R \square^n R$$

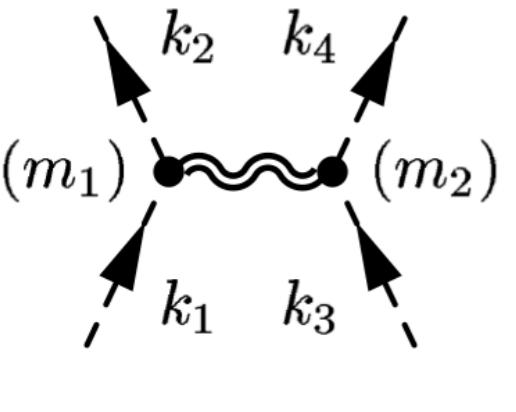
$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\Phi R + \psi \sum_1^{\infty} c_i \square^i \psi - \{ \psi(\Phi - 1) - c_0 \psi^2 \} \right]$$

$$\frac{\delta S}{\delta \Phi} = 0 \Rightarrow \psi = R \quad S \approx \int d^4x \sqrt{-g'} \left[R' + \frac{3}{2} \phi \square' \phi + \psi \sum_1^{\infty} c_i \square'^i \psi - \{ \psi \phi - c_0 \psi^2 \} \right]$$

$$\psi = 3 \square \phi,$$

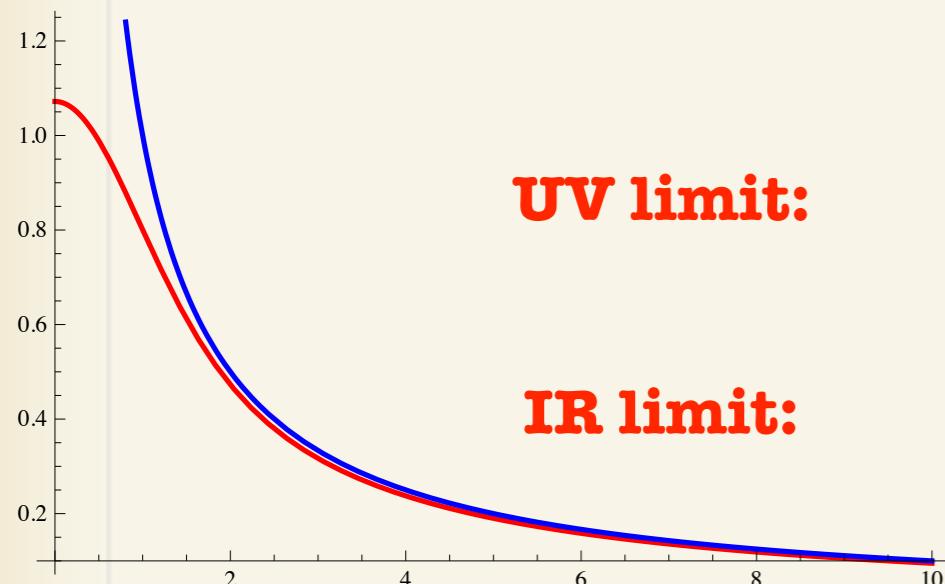
$$\phi = 2 \left[\sum_1^{\infty} c_i \square^i \psi + c_0 \psi \right] \quad \left(1 - 6 \sum_0^{\infty} c_i \square^{i+1} \right) \phi \equiv \Gamma(\square) \phi = 0$$

Newtonian Potential



$$ds^2 = -(1 - 2\Phi)dt^2 + (1 + 2\Psi)dr^2$$

$$\Phi(r) = \Psi(r) = -\frac{m_1 m_2}{4\pi M_p^2 r} \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{rM}{2}\right) \ll 1$$



UV limit: $r \rightarrow 0, \quad \operatorname{erf}(r) \rightarrow r \quad \Phi(r) \rightarrow \text{const.}$

IR limit: $r \rightarrow \infty, \quad \operatorname{erf}(r) \rightarrow 1 \quad \Phi(r) \rightarrow \frac{1}{r}$

No Singularity, No Horizon, No Information Loss for Mini-Bhs

$$ds^2 = \left(1 - \frac{2Gm}{r}\operatorname{erf}(rM/2)\right)dt^2 - \frac{dr^2}{\left(1 - \frac{2Gm}{r}\operatorname{erf}(rM/2)\right)}$$

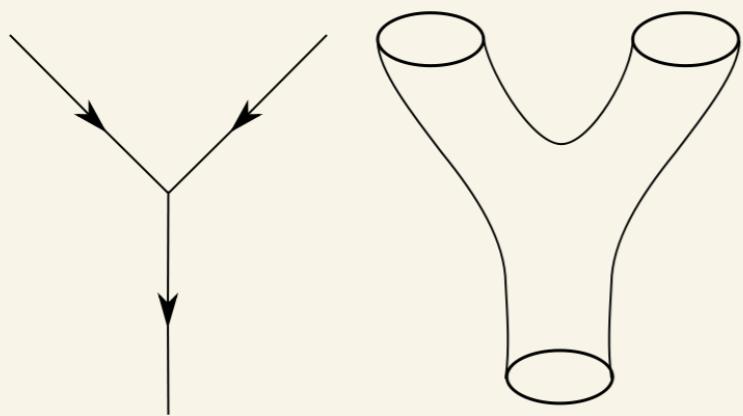
$$mM \ll M_p^2 \implies m \ll M_p$$

Local



Non-Local

Mostly we Deal with Free Strings

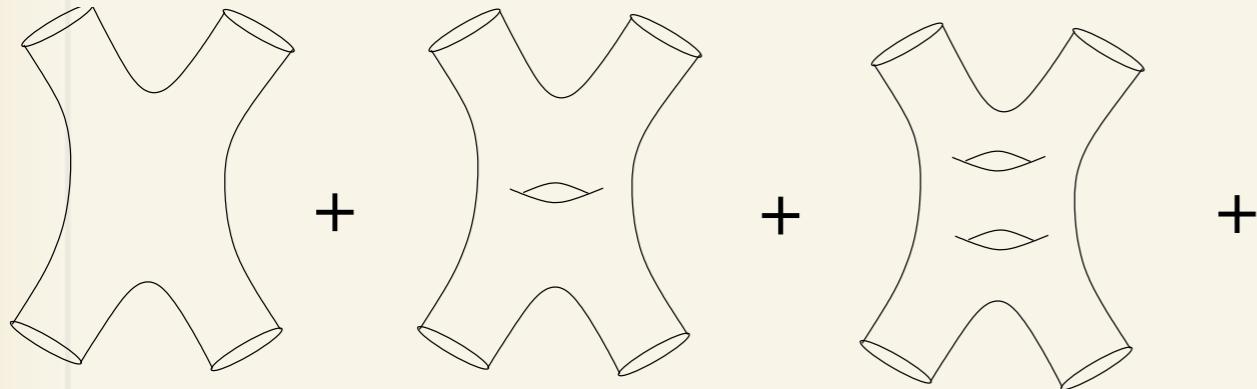


$$\alpha' = l_s^2$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2\pi\alpha'}$$

String Interactions

(summing over Topologies)



@ the lowest order

$$S_{\text{string}} = S_{\text{Poly}} + \lambda \chi$$

$$\chi = 2 - 2h = 2(1 - g)$$

$$g_s = e^\lambda$$

$$S = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^{26}X \sqrt{-G} \mathcal{R}$$

$$\kappa^2 \approx g_s^2 (\alpha')^{12}$$

String Theory Inevitably Introduces 2 Parameters

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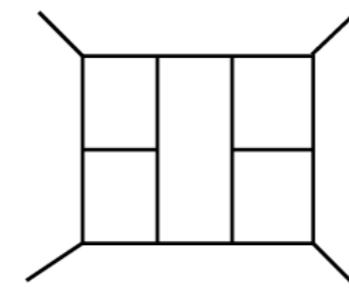
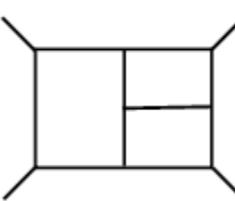
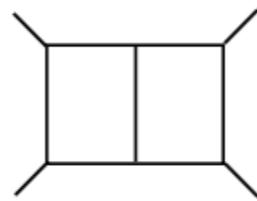
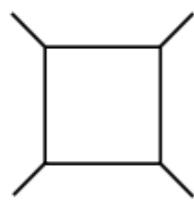
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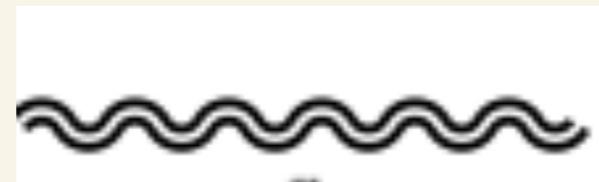
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