

A Study on Extended Theories of Gravity(ETGs)

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$$\kappa^2 = 8\pi G$$

► Intro. of Conformal Transformation

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Λ CDM or GR with CC	$S = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} (R - 2\Lambda) + \int d^4x \mathcal{L}_M$ $G_{\mu\nu} = \kappa^2 T_{\mu\nu} - \Lambda g_{\mu\nu}$
► Scalar-Tensor Theories	$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [f(\phi)R - \frac{1}{2} h(\phi) g^{\mu\nu} \nabla_\mu(\phi) \nabla_\nu \phi - U(\phi)] + \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \mathcal{L}_M(g^{\mu\nu}, \psi_i)$ $G_{\mu\nu} = f^{-1}(\phi) (\frac{1}{2} T_{\mu\nu}^{(M)} + g_{\mu\nu} f \frac{1}{2} T_{\mu\nu}^{(\phi)} + \nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \square f)$

Ref. Dunsby P. K., et. al. " Λ CDM universe in $f(R)$ gravity", *Phys. Rev. D* **82** 023519 (2010)

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<p>► f(R)-Palatini formalism</p>	$S = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} f(\tilde{R}) + \int d^4x \mathcal{L}_M(g_{\mu\nu}, \Psi_M)$ $f'(\tilde{R}) \tilde{R}_{\mu\nu} - \frac{f(\tilde{R})}{2} g_{\mu\nu} = \kappa T_{\mu\nu}$

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► Gauss-Bonnet

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$$G_{\mu\nu} + 8[R_{\mu\rho\mu\sigma} + R_{\rho\nu}g_{\sigma\mu} - R_{\rho\sigma}g_{\nu\mu} - R_{\mu\nu}g_{\sigma\rho} + R_{\mu\sigma}g_{\nu\rho} \\ + \frac{R}{2}(g_{\mu\nu}g_{\sigma\rho} - g_{\mu\sigma}g_{\nu\rho})]\nabla^\rho\nabla^\sigma f_{,\mathcal{G}} + (Gf_{,\mathcal{G}} - f)g_{\mu\nu} = \kappa^2 T_{\mu\nu}$$

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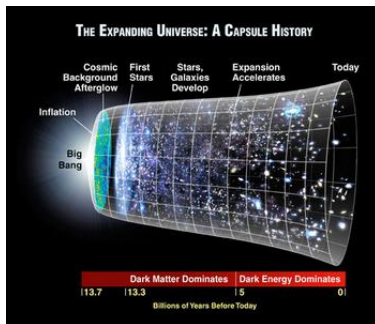


Figure: The Expanding Universe-A Capsul History

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The First Phase: Inflation

Inflation have occurred prior to the radiation domination.

This phase is required to solve following problems:

- 1) flatness and horizon problems
- 2) nearly flat spectrum of T anisotropies in CMB

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Observations About DE

Dark Energy

DE has been probed by the following observations:

- 1) Type Ia Supernova(SN Ia)
- 2) large-scale structure(LSS)
- 3) CMB Anisotropy
- 4) Baryon Acoustic Oscillations(BAO)

LSS Tegmark, M. et al. (SDSS Collaboration), "Cosmological parameters from SDSS and WMAP" , *Phys. Rev. D***69**, 103501, (2004).

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In the end, ETG can explain DE in phenomenological way, furthermore, ETG can also explain the dark matter(DM) problem in phenomenological way. But, here, let's focus on DE Prob. and analyze by using ETGs'.

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Mathematical Tool— Cotton Tensor

Both in CS theories and Hořava-Lifshitz(HL) Gravity, we all need to use Cotton tensor. The following is a brief review:
In differential geometry, the Cotton tensor on a (pseudo)-Riemannian manifold of dimension n is a third-order tensor concomitant of the metric, like the Weyl tensor. Just as the vanishing of the Weyl tensor for $n \geq 4$ is a necessary and sufficient condition for the manifold to be conformally flat, the same is true for the Cotton tensor for $n = 3$, while for $n \leq 2$ it is identically zero.

Mathematical Tool— Cotton Tensor

The proof of the classical result that for $n=3$ the vanishing of the Cotton tensor is equivalent the metric being conformally flat is given by Eisenhart using a standard integrability argument. This tensor density is uniquely characterized by its conformal properties coupled with the demand that it be differentiable for arbitrary metrics, as shown by Aldersley.

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Cotton Tensor

In coordinates, and denoting the Ricci tensor by R_{ij} and the scalar curvature by R , the components of the Cotton tensor are $C_{ijk} = \nabla_k R_{ij} - \nabla_j R_{ik} + \frac{1}{2(n-1)}(\nabla_j R g_{ik} - \nabla_k R g_{ij})$ sometimes called the Cotton –York tensor.

Mathematical Tool— Cotton Tensor

Cotton-York Tensor

The Cotton tensor can be regarded as a vector valued 2-form, and for $n=3$ one can use the Hodge star operator to convert this in to a second order trace free tensor density

$$C_j^i = \nabla_k (R_{\ell i} - \frac{1}{4} R g_{\ell i}) \epsilon^{k\ell j} \text{ or } C^{ij} = \frac{\epsilon^{ijk}}{\sqrt{g}} (R_i^j - \frac{1}{4} R \delta_j^i)$$

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Conformal Transformation —Applications

- 1984 Wald
GR: Asymptotic flatness and in the initial value formulation.
- Fermat Principal
Perlick 1990, Schneider, Ehlers and Falco 1992
- Gravitational Lensing in the (conformally flat)
Friedmann-Lemaitre-Robertson-Walker Universe
Perlick 1990, Schneider, Ehlers and Falco 1992

Conformal Transformation —Applications

- Wave Equations
Sonego and Faraoni 1992
Nonan 1995
- Optical Geometry near black hole horizons
Abramowicz, Carter and Lasota 1988
Sonego and Massar 1997
Abramowicz et al. 1997
- Exact Solutions
Van der Bergh 1986, 1988

Conformal Transformation —Applications

- Quantum Field Theory in Curved Spaces
Birell and Davies 1982
- Statistical Mechanics and String Theories
Dita and Georgescu 1989

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Since the distance are measured by the metric, hence the metric is multiplied by a spacetime-dependent (nonvanishing) function.

$$\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = \omega^2(x) g_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \tilde{d}^2 s = \omega^2(x) d^2 s$$

for some nonvanishing function $\omega(x)$ x is used to denote the collection of spacetime coordinate x^μ .

Note that

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$$\tilde{\Gamma}_{\mu\nu}^{\rho} = \Gamma_{\mu\nu}^{\rho} + \frac{1}{\omega}(\delta_{\mu}^{\rho}\nabla_{\nu}\omega + \delta_{\nu}^{\rho}\nabla_{\mu}\omega - g_{\mu\nu}g^{\rho\lambda}\nabla_{\lambda}\omega)$$

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Conformal Transformation

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Conformal Transformation

Ricci Scalar

In Conformal Frame

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In Conformal Frame

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In theoretical physics, a scalar-tensor theory is a theory that includes both a scalar field and a tensor field to represent a certain interaction. For example, the Brans-Dicke theory of gravitation uses both a scalar field and a tensor field to mediate the gravitational interaction.

The general form of action is as following:

$$\mathcal{S} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [f(\phi)R - \frac{1}{2}h(\phi)g^{\mu\nu}\nabla_\mu(\phi)\nabla_\nu\phi - U(\phi)] + \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \mathcal{L}_M(g^{\mu\nu}, \psi_i)$$

In general, we have the field equation in this following form

$$G_{\mu\nu} = f^{-1}(\phi)(\frac{1}{2}T_{\mu\nu}^{(M)} + g_{\mu\nu}f\frac{1}{2}T_{\mu\nu}^{(\phi)} + \nabla_\mu\nabla_\nu\Box f)$$

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Metric formalism

$$T_{\mu\nu}^{(M)} = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{-g}} \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}_M}{\delta g^{\mu\nu}}$$

$$T_{\mu\nu}^{(D)} := \frac{1}{\kappa^2} \left(\frac{g_{\mu\nu}(f-R)}{2} + \nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu F - g_{\mu\nu} \square F + (1-F)R_{\mu\nu} \right)$$

Since $\nabla^\mu G_{\mu\nu} = 0$ and $\nabla^\mu T_{\mu\nu}^{(M)} = 0$

It follows that $\nabla^\mu T_{\mu\nu}^{(D)} = 0$

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Palatini formalism

In this approach the action is varied with respect to both the metric and the connection. Unlike the metric approach and are treated as independent variables. Variations using the Palatini approach, lead to second-order field equations which are free from the instability associated with negative signs. We note that even in 1930's Lanczos proposed a specific combination of curvature-squared terms that lead to a secondorder and divergence-free modified Einstein equation.

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Galileon Symmetry

$$\pi \rightarrow \pi + c + b_\mu x^\mu$$

where c and b_μ are constants, we call π a Galileon field

Galileon gravity

The field self-interaction $\Box\phi(\partial_\mu\phi\partial^\mu\phi)$ appearing in the DGP model satisfies the Galilean symmetry in the flat space-time:

$$\partial_\mu\phi \rightarrow \partial_\mu\phi + b_\mu$$

What kind of Lagrangians do we get by imposing the Galilean symmetry?

In the flat space-time Nicolis et al. (2008) showed that there are five Lagrangians in total including

$$\mathcal{L}_1 = \phi, \quad \mathcal{L}_2 = (\nabla\phi)^2, \quad \mathcal{L}_3 = (\Box\phi)(\nabla\phi)^2$$

In the curved space-time the Galilean symmetry is in general broken.

One can construct covariant Lagrangians that recover the Galilean symmetry in the limit of the flat space-time.

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Covariant Galileons

Deffayet et al. (2009)

There are five covariant Lagrangians that respect the Galilean symmetry in the Minkowski spacetime:

$$\mathcal{L}_1 = M^3 \phi, \quad \mathcal{L}_2 = (\nabla \phi)^2, \quad \mathcal{L}_3 = (\Box \phi)(\nabla \phi)^2 / M^3,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_4 = (\nabla \phi)^2 [2(\Box \phi)^2 - 2\phi_{;\mu\nu}\phi^{;\mu\nu} - R(\nabla \phi)^2 / 2] / M^6,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_5 = (\nabla \phi)^2 [(\Box \phi)^3 - 3(\Box \phi)\phi_{;\mu\nu}\phi^{;\mu\nu} + 2\phi_{;\mu}{}^\nu \phi_{;\nu}{}^\rho \phi_{;\rho}{}^\mu - 6\phi_{;\mu}\phi^{;\mu\nu}\phi^{;\rho}G_{\nu\rho}] / M^9$$

M: some mass scale

The above Lagrangians are constructed to keep the equations of motion up to the second-order.

- How about the cosmology based on the above Lagrangians ?
- The ghost does not appear unlike the DGP model?

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Galileon cosmology

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{M_{\text{pl}}^2}{2} R + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^5 c_i \mathcal{L}_i \right] + S_m$$

\mathcal{L}_i ($i = 1, \dots, 5$) : five covariant Galileon Lagrangians

We set $c_1 = 0$ to discuss the case in which the late-time cosmic acceleration can be realized by the field kinetic energy.

The equations of motion in the flat FLRW background
(in the presence of non-relativistic matter and radiation):

$$\begin{aligned} 3M_{\text{pl}}^2 H^2 &= \rho_{\text{DE}} + \rho_m + \rho_r \\ 3M_{\text{pl}}^2 H^2 + 2M_{\text{pl}}^2 \dot{H} &= -P_{\text{DE}} - \rho_r/3 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{\text{DE}} &\equiv -c_2 \dot{\phi}^2/2 + 3c_3 H \dot{\phi}^3/M^3 - 45c_4 H^2 \dot{\phi}^4/(2M^6) + 21c_5 H^3 \dot{\phi}^5/M^9 \\ P_{\text{DE}} &\equiv -c_2 \dot{\phi}^2/2 - c_3 \dot{\phi}^2 \ddot{\phi}/M^3 + 3c_4 \dot{\phi}^3 [8H\ddot{\phi} + (3H^2 + 2\dot{H})\dot{\phi}]/(2M^6) \\ &\quad - 3c_5 H \dot{\phi}^4 [5H\ddot{\phi} + 2(H^2 + \dot{H})\dot{\phi}]/M^9. \end{aligned}$$

(second-order)

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Observational constraints on Galileon cosmology

One can place observational constraints on the Galileon model at the background level by using the combined datasets of

Supernovae Ia, CMB shift parameters, and BAO

We also include the cosmic curvature K .

For the tracker the Hubble parameter is known in terms of the redshift z , as

$$\left(\frac{H(z)}{H_0}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{2}\Omega_K^{(0)}(1+z)^2 + \frac{1}{2}\Omega_m^{(0)}(1+z)^3 + \frac{1}{2}\Omega_r^{(0)}(1+z)^4 + \sqrt{1 - \Omega_m^{(0)} - \Omega_r^{(0)} - \Omega_K^{(0)} + \frac{(1+z)^4}{4} \left[\Omega_K^{(0)} + \Omega_m^{(0)}(1+z) + \Omega_r^{(0)}(1+z)^2 \right]^2}$$

where $\Omega_K^{(0)} = -K/(a_0 H_0)^2$

For general solutions that approach the tracker at late times we need to solve the background equations numerically.

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This term is only nontrivial in 4+1D or greater, and as such, only applies to extra dimensional models. In 3+1D and lower, it reduces to a topological surface term. Despite being quadratic in the Riemann tensor (and Ricci tensor), terms containing more than 2 partial derivatives of the metric cancel out, making the Euler-Lagrange equations second order quasilinear partial differential equations in the metric.

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term for some function f . Nonlinearities in f render this coupling nontrivial even in 3+1D. However, fourth order terms reappear with the nonlinearities.

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- ① 3+1, non-dynamical CS theory
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(5) Chern-Simons(CS) Theories

Dynamical Action

$$S = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int_{\mathcal{V}} d^4x \sqrt{-g} R - \frac{\pm\alpha}{4} \int_{\mathcal{V}} d^4x \sqrt{-g} (\vartheta^* RR) + \beta \frac{-1}{2} \int_{\mathcal{V}} d^4x \sqrt{-g} [g^{ab} (\nabla_a \vartheta) (\nabla_b \vartheta) + 2V(\vartheta)]$$

When discussing Solar System tests of CS modified gravity we choose $\alpha = \frac{-\ell}{3}$ and $\beta = -1$.

Notation

Only in this section latin letters at the beginning of the alphabet a, b, . . . , h correspond to spacetime indices, while those at the end of the alphabet i, j, . . . , z stand for spatial indices only. R is the Ricci scalar, and the integrals are volume ones carried out everywhere on the manifold \mathcal{V} .

The quantity *RR is the Pontryagin density, defined via

$$^*RR := R\tilde{R} = {}^*R^a{}_b{}^{cd}R^b{}_{acd}$$

where the dual Riemann-tensor is given by

$$^*R^a{}_b{}^{cd} := \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{cdef} R^a{}_{bef}$$

(5) Chern-Simons(CS) Theories

Ref. Stephon Alexander and Nicolás Yunes, ArXiv:0907.2562

Notation

with ϵ^{cdef} the 4-dimensional Levi-Civita tensor.

The quantity ϑ is the so-called CS coupling field, which is not a constant, but a function of spacetime, thus serving as a deformation function.

Notation

Formally, if $\vartheta = \text{const}$. CS modified gravity reduces identically to GR. This is because the Pontryagin term can be expressed as the divergence

$$\nabla_a K^a = \frac{1}{2} {}^*RR$$

of the Chern-Simons topological current

$$K^a := \epsilon^{cdef} \Gamma_{bm}^n (\partial_c \Gamma_{dn}^m + \frac{2}{3} \Gamma_{cl}^m \Gamma_{dn}^l)$$

where Γ here is the Christoffel connection.

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Reduced to GR

One can now integrate S_{CS} by parts to obtain

$$S_{CS} = \alpha(\vartheta K^a) |_{\partial V} - \frac{\alpha}{2} \int_V d^4x \sqrt{-g} (\nabla_a \vartheta) K^a$$

where the first term is usually discarded since it is evaluated on the boundary of the manifold.

The second term clearly depends on the covariant derivative of ϑ , which vanishes if $\vartheta = \text{const.}$ and, in that case, CS modified gravity reduces to GR.

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Away from GR

For any finite, yet arbitrarily small $\nabla_a \vartheta$, CS modified gravity becomes substantially different from GR. The quantity $\nabla_a \vartheta$ can be thought of as an embedding coordinate, because it embeds a generalization of the standard 3-dimensional CS theory into a 4-dimensional spacetime. In this sense, $\nabla_a \vartheta$ and $\nabla_a \nabla_b \vartheta$ act as deformation parameters in the phase space of all theories. One can then picture GR as a stable fixed point in this phase space. Away from this "saddle point," CS modified gravity induces corrections to the Einstein equations that are proportional to the steepness of the ϑ deformation parameter.

Aspects of CS gravity

Spinning black holes in the slow-rotation approximation

Many solutions of general relativity persist in the modified theory; a notable exception is the Kerr metric, which has sparked a search for rotating black hole solutions.

Ref. Nicola's Yunes and Frans Pretorius, *Phys. Rev. D*, **79** 084043(2009)

Aspects of CS gravity

In String Theory

"The absence of a CS term in the action leads to the Green-Schwarz anomaly, which requires cancellation to preserve unitarity and quantum consistency. In most perturbative string theories (e.g. type IIB, I, heterotic) with four-dimensional compactifications, the Green-Schwarz mechanism requires the inclusion of a CS term.

Ref. Stephon Alexander and Nicola's Yunes, *Phys. Rev. D*, **77**, 124040(2008)

Aspects of CS gravity

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In fact, this term is induced in all string theories due to duality symmetries in the presence of Ramond-Ramond scalars or D-instanton charges. Even in heteroticM theory the CS term is required through the use of an anomaly inflow.”

Aspects of CS gravity

In Loop Quantum Gravity

"CS term arises as a natural extension to the Hamiltonian constraint. In particular, the CS term renders a candidate holomorphic ground state wavefunction invariant under large gauge transformations of the Ashtekar connection variables. The CS correction, is also related to the Immirzi parameter of loop quantum gravity, which determines the spectrum of quantum geometrical operators."

Aspects of CS gravity

parity-violating

"CS modified gravity proposes an extension to GR by adding a parity-violating, Chern-Pontryagin term to the Einstein-Hilbert action, multiplied by a spacetime-dependent coupling scalar. This theory modifies the GR field equations by adding a new cottonlike C-tensor, which is composed of derivatives of the Ricci tensor and the dual to the Riemann. Additionally, the equations of motion for the scalar field provide a new Pontryagin constraint that preserves diffeomorphism invariance.

Aspects of CS gravity

parity-violating

The structure of the C-tensor allows the modified theory to preserve some of the classical solutions of GR, such as the Schwarzschild, the Friedmann-Robertson-Walker, and the gravitational wave line elements.”

Aspects of CS gravity

parity-violating

”Although some classic GR solutions are preserved in CS modified gravity, parity violation is inherent in the modified theory, leading to possibly observable effects. One such effect is amplitude birefringence, which leads to a distinct imprint that could be detectable through gravitational wave observations. ”

Aspects of CS gravity

parity-violating

"Birefringent gravitational waves have actually been successfully employed to propose an explanation to the leptogenesis problem and could also leave an imprint in the cosmic-microwave background. Another consequence of CS modified gravity is modified precession, which has been studied in the far-field limit, leading to a weak bound on the CS scalar with LAGEOS.

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Hořava-Lifshitz gravity

- ① IR fixed point: General Relativity
- ② Hořava-Lifshitz gravity (or Hořava gravity) is a theory of quantum gravity proposed by Petr Hořava in 2009.
- ③ It solves the problem of different concepts of time in quantum field theory and general relativity by treating the quantum concept as the more fundamental so that space and time are not equivalent (anisotropic).
- ④ The relativistic concept of time with its Lorentz invariance emerges at large distances.
- ⑤ The theory relies on the theory of foliations to produce its causal structure.

Hořava-Lifshitz gravity

- ① It is a possible UV completion of general relativity.
- ② The novelty of this approach, compared to previous approaches to quantum gravity such as Loop quantum gravity, is that it uses concepts from condensed matter physics such as quantum critical phenomena.
- ③ Hořva initial formulation was found to have side-effects such as predicting very different results for a spherical Sun compared to a slightly non-spherical Sun, so others have modified the theory. Inconsistencies remain.
- ④ It is related to topologically massive gravity and the Cotton tensor.

Hořava-Lifshitz gravity— Extrinsic Curvature

Extrinsic Curvature

$$K_{ij} = \frac{1}{2N}(\dot{g}_{ij} - \nabla_i N_j - \nabla_j N_i)$$

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Intro.

Entropic gravity is a hypothesis in modern physics that describes gravity as an entropic force; that it is not a fundamental interaction mediated by a particle, but a probabilistic consequence of physical systems' tendency to increase their entropy.

Ref. en.wikipedia.org

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Origin

Entropic gravity has a history that goes back to research on black hole thermodynamics by Bekenstein and Hawking in the mid-1970s. These studies suggest a deep connection between gravity and thermodynamics, which describes the behavior of heat and gases. In 1995, Jacobson demonstrated that the Einstein equations describing relativistic gravitation can be derived by combining general thermodynamic considerations with the equivalence principle.^[1] Subsequently, other physicists began to explore links between gravity and entropy.^[2]

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Erik Verlinde's theory

In 2009, Erik Verlinde disclosed a conceptual theory that describes gravity as an entropic force.^[3] On January 6, 2010 he published a preprint of a 29 page paper titled "On the Origin of Gravity and the Laws of Newton".^[4] Reversing the logic of over 300 years, it argued that gravity is a consequence of the laws of thermodynamics. This theory combines the thermodynamic approach to gravity with Gerardus 't Hooft's holographic principle.

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If proven correct, this implies gravity is not a fundamental interaction, but an emergent phenomenon which arises from the statistical behavior of microscopic degrees of freedom encoded on a holographic screen. The paper drew a variety of responses from the scientific community. Andrew Strominger, a string theorist at Harvard said "Some people have said it can't be right, others that it's right and we already knew it —that it's right and profound, right and trivial." [5]

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Verlinde's article also attracted a large amount of media exposure,^{[6][7]} and led to immediate follow-up work in cosmology,^{[8][9]} the dark energy hypothesis,^[10] cosmological acceleration,^{[11][12]} cosmological inflation,^[13] and loop quantum gravity.^[14] Also, a specific microscopic model has been proposed that indeed leads to entropic gravity emerging at large scales.^[15]

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Outlook and Future Works

OPEN QUESTION 1 Physical Effects

What's the physical effects about each kind of the correcting terms in each ETG/MG models?

Cosmological constraints may give some clues.

OPEN QUESTION 2 JF versus EF

Are ETG/MGs physically equivalent in JF and EF?
Cosmological constraints may give some clues.

Related Ref.

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OPEN QUESTION 3 Appy CF to CS and HL

Since quintessence field can be consider as a coupling scalar field in dynamical CS and HL gravity, one can try to appy conformal transformation and transform the CS-action and HL-action into Einstein frame.

OPEN QUESTION 4 Uniqueness of Action

Why so many types of action? And, what's the relation between each ETG/MG models themselves?

Is the action of gravitaional field unique?

Cosmological constraints may give some clues.

Related Research about $f(R)$ -theories and Hořava-Lifshitz(HL) Gravity

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OPEN QUESTION 5 Hamiltonian formalism and Quantization

How about Hamiltonian formalism?

What is physics that we can find through this formalism?

Could we obtain some clues which direct to the quantization(or quantum gravity)?

OPEN QUESTION 6 Bridge to Quantum Gravity

How to find the bridge from ETG/MGs to quantum gravity or gauge gravity or more fundamental theory(SUSY, String theory, Loop Quantum Gravity and Horava Gravity...etc.)?