

Higher dimensional massive (bi-)gravity: Constructions and solutions

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I. Motivations

- The **massive gravity** [gravitons have tiny but non-zero mass] has had a long and rich history since the seminal paper by **Fierz & Pauli** [PRSA173(1939)211].
- **van Dam & Veltman** [NPB22(1970)397] and **Zakharov** [PZETF12(1970)447] showed that in the massless limit, it cannot recover GR.
- **Vainshtein** pointed out that the **nonlinear extensions** of FP theory can solve the **vDVZ discontinuity** problem [PLB39(1972)393].
- **Boulware & Deser** claimed that there exists a **ghost associated with the sixth mode** in graviton coming from nonlinear levels [PRD6(1972)3368].
- Building a ghost-free nonlinear massive gravity, in which a massive graviton carries only **five "physical" degrees of freedom**, has been a great challenge for physicists.
- **de Rham, Gabadadze & Tolley (dRGT)** have successfully constructed a ghost-free nonlinear massive gravity [1011.1232, 1007.0443].
- The dRGT theory has been proved to be ghost-free for general fiducial metric by some different approaches, e.g., **Hassan & Rosen** [1106.3344, 1109.3230].
- The **dRGT** theory might be a solution to the **cosmological constant problem**.

I. Motivations

- An interesting extension of dRGT theory is the massive bi-metric gravity (bi-gravity) proposed by Hassan & Rosen, in which the reference metric is introduced to be full dynamical as the physical metric [1109.3515].
- For interesting review papers, see de Rham [1401.4173]; K. Hinterbichler [1105.3735]; Schmidt-May & von Strauss [1512.00021].
- It is noted that most of previous papers have focused only on four-dimensional frameworks, which involve only the first three massive graviton terms, \mathcal{L}_2 , \mathcal{L}_3 , and \mathcal{L}_4 .
- There have been a few papers discussing higher dimensional scenarios of massive (bi)gravity theories, e.g., Hinterbichler & Rosen [1203.5783]; Hassan, Schmidt-May & von Strauss [1212.4525]; Huang, Zhang & Zhou [1306.4740]. However, these papers have not studied the well-known metrics in higher dimensions, e.g., the Friedmann-Lemaître-Robertson-Walker (FLRW), Bianchi type I, and Schwarzschild-Tangherlini metrics.
- We would like to investigate whether the five-dimensional (bi)gravity theories admit the above metrics as their solutions.

II. Cayley-Hamilton theorem and ghost-free graviton terms

- Recall the **four-dimensional** action of the dRGT **massive gravity** [1011.1232, 1007.0443]:

$$S_{4d} = \frac{M_p^2}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left\{ R + m_g^2 (\mathcal{L}_2 + \alpha_3 \mathcal{L}_3 + \alpha_4 \mathcal{L}_4) \right\},$$

where M_p the **Planck** mass, m_g the **graviton mass**, $\alpha_{3,4}$ free parameters, and the **massive graviton terms** \mathcal{L}_i defined as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_2 &= [\mathcal{K}]^2 - [\mathcal{K}^2]; \quad \mathcal{L}_3 = \frac{1}{3}[\mathcal{K}]^3 - [\mathcal{K}][\mathcal{K}^2] + \frac{2}{3}[\mathcal{K}^3], \\ \mathcal{L}_4 &= \frac{1}{12}[\mathcal{K}]^4 - \frac{1}{2}[\mathcal{K}]^2[\mathcal{K}^2] + \frac{1}{4}[\mathcal{K}^2]^2 + \frac{2}{3}[\mathcal{K}][\mathcal{K}^3] - \frac{1}{2}[\mathcal{K}^4]. \end{aligned}$$

- Square brackets:**

$$[\mathcal{K}] \equiv \text{tr} \mathcal{K}^\mu{}_\nu; \quad [\mathcal{K}]^2 \equiv (\text{tr} \mathcal{K}^\mu{}_\nu)^2; \quad [\mathcal{K}^2] \equiv \text{tr} \mathcal{K}^\mu{}_\alpha \mathcal{K}^\alpha{}_\nu; \quad \text{and so on.}$$

- The square matrix $\mathcal{K}^\mu{}_\nu$ is defined as

$$\mathcal{K}^\mu{}_\nu \equiv \delta^\mu{}_\nu - \sqrt{f_{ab} \partial_\mu \phi^a \partial_\alpha \phi^b g^{\alpha\nu}},$$

$\phi^a \sim$ **Stückelberg fields**; $g_{\mu\nu} \sim$ (dynamical) physical metric,

$f_{ab} \sim$ **non-dynamical reference (fiducial) metric of massive gravity**.

II. Cayley-Hamilton theorem and ghost-free graviton terms

- Recall the **four-dimensional** action of the **massive bi-gravity** [1109.3515]:

$$S_{4d} = M_g^2 \int d^4x \sqrt{g} R(g) + M_f^2 \int d^4x \sqrt{f} R(f) \\ + 2m^2 M_{\text{eff}}^2 \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \left(\mathcal{U}_2 + \alpha_3 \mathcal{U}_3 + \alpha_4 \mathcal{U}_4 \right),$$

where

$$\mathcal{U}_i = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}_i; \quad M_{\text{eff}}^2 \equiv \left(\frac{1}{M_g^2} + \frac{1}{M_f^2} \right)^{-1}.$$

- The square matrix $\mathcal{K}^\mu{}_\nu$ is defined as

$$\mathcal{K}^\mu{}_\nu \equiv \delta^\mu{}_\nu - \sqrt{f_{\mu\alpha} g^{\alpha\nu}},$$

$g_{\mu\nu} \sim$ (dynamical) physical metric,

$f_{\mu\nu} \sim$ full dynamical reference (fiducial) metric.

II. Cayley-Hamilton theorem and ghost-free graviton terms

- We will construct **higher dimensional** terms $\mathcal{L}_{n>4}$ by applying the well-known **Cayley-Hamilton theorem** for the square matrix $K^\mu{}_\nu$.
- In algebra, there exists the well-known **Cayley-Hamilton theorem**: **any square matrix must obey its characteristic equation**. In particular, given a $n \times n$ matrix K with its characteristic equation, $\mathcal{P}(\lambda) \equiv \det(\lambda I_n - K) = 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{P}(K) \equiv & K^n - \mathcal{D}_{n-1}K^{n-1} + \mathcal{D}_{n-2}K^{n-2} - \dots \\ & + (-1)^{n-1}\mathcal{D}_1K + (-1)^n \det(K)I_n = 0,\end{aligned}$$

where $\mathcal{D}_{n-1} = \text{tr}K \equiv [K]$ and \mathcal{D}_{n-j} ($2 \leq j \leq n-1$) are coefficients of the characteristic polynomial.

- For $n = 2$, the following characteristic equation:

$$K^2 - [K]K + \det K_{2 \times 2} I_2 = 0,$$

which implies after taking the trace

$$\det K_{2 \times 2} = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ [K]^2 - [K^2] \right\} \sim \frac{\mathcal{L}_2}{2}.$$

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- For $n = 3$, the corresponding characteristic equation:

$$K^3 - [K]K^2 + \frac{1}{2} \{[K]^2 - [K^2]\} K - \det K_{3 \times 3} I_3 = 0,$$

which leads to

$$\det K_{3 \times 3} = \frac{1}{6} \{[K]^3 - 3[K^2][K] + 2[K^3]\} \sim \frac{\mathcal{L}_3}{2}.$$

- For $n = 4$, the corresponding characteristic equation:

$$K^4 - [K]K^3 + \frac{1}{2} \{[K]^2 - [K^2]\} K^2 - \frac{1}{6} \{[K]^3 - 3[K^2][K] + 2[K^3]\} K + \det K_{4 \times 4} I_4 = 0,$$

which gives

$$\det K_{4 \times 4} = \frac{1}{24} \{[K]^4 - 6[K]^2[K^2] + 3[K^2]^2 + 8[K][K^3] - 6[K^4]\} \sim \frac{\mathcal{L}_4}{2}.$$

- The higher dimensional graviton terms $\mathcal{L}_{n>4}$ must vanish in all four-dimensional spacetimes.

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- The higher dimensional terms $\mathcal{L}_{n>4} = \det \mathcal{K}_{n \times n} / 2$ can be constructed from the [Cayley-Hamilton theorem](#) to be

$$\frac{\mathcal{L}_5}{2} = \frac{1}{120} \left\{ [\mathcal{K}]^5 - 10[\mathcal{K}]^3[\mathcal{K}^2] + 20[\mathcal{K}]^2[\mathcal{K}^3] - 20[\mathcal{K}^2][\mathcal{K}^3] + 15[\mathcal{K}][\mathcal{K}^2]^2 - 30[\mathcal{K}][\mathcal{K}^4] + 24[\mathcal{K}^5] \right\},$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{L}_6}{2} = \frac{1}{720} \left\{ [\mathcal{K}]^6 - 15[\mathcal{K}]^4[\mathcal{K}^2] + 40[\mathcal{K}]^3[\mathcal{K}^3] - 90[\mathcal{K}]^2[\mathcal{K}^4] + 45[\mathcal{K}]^2[\mathcal{K}^2]^2 - 15[\mathcal{K}^2]^3 + 40[\mathcal{K}^3]^2 - 120[\mathcal{K}^3][\mathcal{K}^2][\mathcal{K}] + 90[\mathcal{K}^4][\mathcal{K}^2] + 144[\mathcal{K}^5][\mathcal{K}] - 120[\mathcal{K}^6] \right\},$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{L}_7}{2} = \frac{1}{5040} \left\{ [\mathcal{K}]^7 - 21[\mathcal{K}]^5[\mathcal{K}^2] + 70[\mathcal{K}]^4[\mathcal{K}^3] - 210[\mathcal{K}]^3[\mathcal{K}^4] + 105[\mathcal{K}]^3[\mathcal{K}^2]^2 - 420[\mathcal{K}]^2[\mathcal{K}^2][\mathcal{K}^3] + 504[\mathcal{K}]^2[\mathcal{K}^5] - 105[\mathcal{K}^2]^3[\mathcal{K}] + 210[\mathcal{K}^2]^2[\mathcal{K}^3] - 504[\mathcal{K}^2][\mathcal{K}^5] + 280[\mathcal{K}^3]^2[\mathcal{K}] - 420[\mathcal{K}^3][\mathcal{K}^4] + 630[\mathcal{K}^4][\mathcal{K}^2][\mathcal{K}] - 840[\mathcal{K}^6][\mathcal{K}] + 720[\mathcal{K}^7] \right\}.$$

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- A **five-dimensional** scenario of **massive gravity** [1602.05672]:

$$S = \frac{M_p^2}{2} \int d^5x \sqrt{-g} \left\{ R + m_g^2 (\mathcal{L}_2 + \alpha_3 \mathcal{L}_3 + \alpha_4 \mathcal{L}_4 + \alpha_5 \mathcal{L}_5) \right\},$$

- The corresponding five-dimensional Einstein field equations:

$$\left(R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} R g_{\mu\nu} \right) + m_g^2 (X_{\mu\nu} + \sigma Y_{\mu\nu} + \alpha_5 W_{\mu\nu}) = 0,$$

$$X_{\mu\nu} = -\frac{1}{2} (\alpha \mathcal{L}_2 + \beta \mathcal{L}_3) g_{\mu\nu} + \tilde{X}_{\mu\nu},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{X}_{\mu\nu} = & \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu} - [\mathcal{K}] g_{\mu\nu} - \alpha \{ \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^2 - [\mathcal{K}] \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu} \} \\ & + \beta \left\{ \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^3 - [\mathcal{K}] \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^2 + \frac{\mathcal{L}_2}{2} \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$Y_{\mu\nu} = -\frac{\mathcal{L}_4}{2} g_{\mu\nu} + \tilde{Y}_{\mu\nu}; \quad \tilde{Y}_{\mu\nu} = \frac{\mathcal{L}_3}{2} \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu} - \frac{\mathcal{L}_2}{2} \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^2 + [\mathcal{K}] \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^3 - \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^4,$$

$$W_{\mu\nu} = -\frac{\mathcal{L}_5}{2} g_{\mu\nu} + \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu},$$

$$\tilde{W}_{\mu\nu} = \frac{\mathcal{L}_4}{2} \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu} - \frac{\mathcal{L}_3}{2} \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^2 + \frac{\mathcal{L}_2}{2} \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^3 - [\mathcal{K}] \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^4 + \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^5,$$

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- Here $\alpha = \alpha_3 + 1$, $\beta = \alpha_3 + \alpha_4$, and $\sigma = \alpha_4 + \alpha_5$.
- Note that $Y_{\mu\nu} = 0$ in **four** dimensional spacetimes [Do & Kao, PRD88(2013)063006] but $\neq 0$ in **higher-than-four** dimensional ones .
- Similarly, $W_{\mu\nu} = 0$ in **five** dimensional spacetimes but $\neq 0$ in **higher-than-five** dimensional ones.
- The **constraint** equations associated with the existence of fiducial metric:

$$t_{\mu\nu} \equiv \tilde{X}_{\mu\nu} + \sigma \tilde{Y}_{\mu\nu} + \alpha_5 \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} (\alpha_3 \mathcal{L}_2 + \alpha_4 \mathcal{L}_3 + \alpha_5 \mathcal{L}_4) g_{\mu\nu} = 0.$$

- Due to these constraint equations the Einstein field equations for $g_{\mu\nu}$ become

$$\begin{aligned} (R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} R g_{\mu\nu}) - \frac{m_g^2}{2} \mathcal{L}_M g_{\mu\nu} &= 0; \quad \mathcal{L}_M \equiv \mathcal{L}_2 + \alpha_3 \mathcal{L}_3 + \alpha_4 \mathcal{L}_4 + \alpha_5 \mathcal{L}_5, \\ \Rightarrow (R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} R g_{\mu\nu}) + \Lambda_M g_{\mu\nu} &= 0 \quad (\text{Bianchi constraint, } \partial^\nu \mathcal{L}_M = 0), \end{aligned}$$

with $\Lambda_M \equiv -m_g^2 \mathcal{L}_M / 2$ as an effective cosmological constant.

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Ghost free issue

- Follow the analysis of dRGT papers [1011.1232, 1007.0443] by considering the tensor $X_{\mu\nu}^{(n)}$ and its recursive relation:

$$X_{\mu\nu}^{(n)}(g_{\mu\nu}, \mathcal{K}) = \sum_{m=0}^n (-1)^m \frac{n!}{2(n-m)!} \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^m \mathcal{L}_{\text{der}}^{(n-m)}(\mathcal{K})$$
$$X_{\mu\nu}^{(n)} = -n \mathcal{K}_{\mu}^{\alpha} X_{\alpha\nu}^{(n-1)} + \mathcal{K}^{\alpha\beta} X_{\alpha\beta}^{(n-1)} g_{\mu\nu}.$$

- For the 4D case $X_{\mu\nu}^{(4)}(g_{\mu\nu}, \mathcal{K}) \sim Y_{\mu\nu} = 0 \rightarrow X_{\mu\nu}^{(n>4)}(g_{\mu\nu}, \mathcal{K}) = 0 \rightarrow$ no ghostlike pathology arises at the quartic or higher order levels with arbitrary physical and fiducial metrics.
- Similarly, for the 5D case $X_{\mu\nu}^{(5)}(g_{\mu\nu}, \mathcal{K}) \sim W_{\mu\nu} = 0 \rightarrow X_{\mu\nu}^{(n>5)}(g_{\mu\nu}, \mathcal{K}) = 0 \rightarrow$ any ghostlike pathology arising at the quintic or higher order levels must disappear, no matter the form of physical and fiducial metrics.
- The similar conclusion is also valid for higher-than-five massive gravity theories.

III. Simple solutions for a five-dimensional massive gravity

- Solve the constraint **Euler-Lagrange equations** of fiducial metric's scale factors, which are indeed **equivalent with** $t_{\mu\nu} = 0$, in order to obtain the value of Λ_M .
- These constraint equations are not differential but **algebraic**.
- Solve the corresponding Einstein field equations to obtain the value of physical metric's scale factors.
- The fiducial metrics will be chosen to be **compatible** with the physical ones, i.e., they have the similar forms.
- **FLRW** (**isotropic**):

$$\begin{aligned} ds_{5d}^2(g_{\mu\nu}) &= -N_1^2(t)dt^2 + a_1^2(t)(d\vec{x}^2 + du^2), \\ ds_{5d}^2(f_{ab}) &= -N_2^2(t)dt^2 + a_2^2(t)(d\vec{x}^2 + du^2). \end{aligned}$$

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- Bianchi type I (anisotropic):

$$\begin{aligned} ds_{5d}^2(g_{\mu\nu}) &= -N_1^2(t)dt^2 + \exp[2\alpha_1(t) - 4\sigma_1(t)] dx^2 \\ &\quad + \exp[2\alpha_1(t) + 2\sigma_1(t)] (dy^2 + dz^2) + \exp[2\beta_1(t)] du^2, \\ ds_{5d}^2(f_{ab}) &= -N_2^2(t)dt^2 + \exp[2\alpha_2(t) - 4\sigma_2(t)] dx^2 \\ &\quad + \exp[2\alpha_2(t) + 2\sigma_2(t)] (dy^2 + dz^2) + \exp[2\beta_2(t)] du^2, \end{aligned}$$

- Schwarzschild-Tangherlini black holes:

$$\begin{aligned} ds_{5d}^2(g_{\mu\nu}) &= -N_1^2(t, r) dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{F_1^2(t, r)} + 2D_1(t, r) dt dr + \frac{r^2 d\Omega_3^2}{H_1^2(t, r)}, \\ ds_{5d}^2(f_{ab}) &= -N_2^2(t, r) dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{F_2^2(t, r)} + 2D_2(t, r) dt dr + \frac{r^2 d\Omega_3^2}{H_2^2(t, r)}, \end{aligned}$$

with $d\Omega_3^2 = d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\varphi^2 + \sin^2 \theta \sin^2 \varphi d\psi^2$.

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- FLRW: $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_M}{\partial N_2} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_M}{\partial a_2} = 0$.
- Bianchi type I: $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_M}{\partial N_2} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_M}{\partial \alpha_2} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_M}{\partial \sigma_2} = 0$.
- Schwarzschild-Tangherlini: $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_M}{\partial N_2} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_M}{\partial F_2} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_M}{\partial H_2} = 0$.
- Note again that the Euler-Lagrange equations $\Leftrightarrow t_{\mu\nu} = 0$.
- The constraint equations are non-linear algebraic equations \rightarrow we obtain several values of Λ_M [see the paper 1602.05672 for more details].
- Recall the Einstein field equations for physical metric:

$$(R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}Rg_{\mu\nu}) + \Lambda_M g_{\mu\nu} = 0.$$

- The corresponding solution for FLRW physical metric:

$$a_1(t) = \exp \left[\sqrt{\frac{\Lambda_M}{6}} t \right].$$

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- The corresponding **solutions** for the Bianchi type I physical metric:

$$V_1 \equiv \exp[3\alpha_1] = \exp[3\alpha_0] \left[\cosh(3\tilde{H}_1 t) + \frac{\dot{\alpha}_0}{\tilde{H}_1} \sinh(3\tilde{H}_1 t) \right],$$

$$V_2 \equiv \exp[\beta_1] = \exp[\beta_0] \left[\cosh(3\bar{H}_1 t) + \frac{\dot{\beta}_0}{3\bar{H}_1} \sinh(3\bar{H}_1 t) \right],$$

$$\sigma_1 = \sigma_0 + \sqrt{\dot{\alpha}_0^2 + \dot{\alpha}_0 \dot{\beta}_0 - H_1^2} \times \int \left\{ \left[\cosh(3\tilde{H}_1 t) + \frac{\dot{\alpha}_0}{\tilde{H}_1} \sinh(3\tilde{H}_1 t) \right] \right. \\ \left. \times \left[\cosh(3\bar{H}_1 t) + \frac{\dot{\beta}_0}{3\bar{H}_1} \sinh(3\bar{H}_1 t) \right] \right\}^{-1} dt,$$

with $\tilde{H}_1^2 = 4H_1^2/9(1 - V_0)$, $\bar{H}_1^2 = V_0\tilde{H}_1^2$, and $H_1^2 \equiv \frac{\Lambda_M}{3}$. Additionally, $\alpha_0, \dot{\alpha}_0, \beta_0, \dot{\beta}_0, \sigma_0 \sim$ initial values.

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- The [Schwarzschild-Tangherlini](#) solution [[Tangherlini](#), Nuovo Cimento 27(1963)636] to the [5D massive gravity](#):

$$ds^2 = -f(r)dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{f(r)} + r^2 d\Omega_3^2,$$

$$N_1^2(t, r) = F_1^2(t, r) = f(r) = 1 - \frac{\mu}{r^2} - \frac{\Lambda_M}{6} r^2,$$

$$H_1^2(t, r) = 1, \quad D_1^2(t, r) = 0.$$

where $\mu = \frac{8G_5 M}{3\pi} \sim$ mass parameter, $M \sim$ the mass of source, and $G_5 \sim$ 5D Newton constant.

- $\Lambda_M > 0$ (< 0) \sim Schwarzschild-Tangherlini-([Anti-](#)) [de Sitter](#) metric.

IV. Simple solutions for a five-dimensional massive bi-gravity

- The action of **five-dimensional massive bi-gravity** [1604.07568]:

$$S_{5d} = M_g^2 \int d^5x \sqrt{g} R(g) + M_f^2 \int d^5x \sqrt{f} R(f) \\ + 2m^2 M_{\text{eff}}^2 \int d^5x \sqrt{g} \left(\mathcal{U}_2 + \alpha_3 \mathcal{U}_3 + \alpha_4 \mathcal{U}_4 + \alpha_5 \mathcal{U}_5 \right),$$

where

$$\mathcal{U}_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ [\mathcal{K}]^2 - [\mathcal{K}^2] \right\}, \quad \mathcal{U}_3 = \frac{1}{6} \left\{ [\mathcal{K}]^3 - 3[\mathcal{K}][\mathcal{K}^2] + 2[\mathcal{K}^3] \right\}, \\ \mathcal{U}_4 = \frac{1}{24} \left\{ [\mathcal{K}]^4 - 6[\mathcal{K}]^2[\mathcal{K}^2] + 3[\mathcal{K}^2]^2 + 8[\mathcal{K}][\mathcal{K}^3] - 6[\mathcal{K}^4] \right\}, \\ \mathcal{U}_5 = \frac{\mathcal{L}_5}{2} = \frac{1}{120} \left\{ [\mathcal{K}]^5 - 10[\mathcal{K}]^3[\mathcal{K}^2] + 20[\mathcal{K}]^2[\mathcal{K}^3] - 20[\mathcal{K}^2][\mathcal{K}^3] \right. \\ \left. + 15[\mathcal{K}][\mathcal{K}^2]^2 - 30[\mathcal{K}][\mathcal{K}^4] + 24[\mathcal{K}^5] \right\}.$$

IV. Simple solutions for a five-dimensional massive bi-gravity

- The **Einstein field equations** for **physical metric** (identical to ones for massive gravity):

$$M_g^2 \left(R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} R g_{\mu\nu} \right) + m^2 M_{\text{eff}}^2 \mathcal{H}_{\mu\nu}^{(5)}(g) = 0,$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{\mu\nu}^{(5)}(g) = X_{\mu\nu}^{(5)} + \sigma Y_{\mu\nu}^{(5)} + \alpha_5 W_{\mu\nu},$$

$$X_{\mu\nu}^{(5)} = -(\alpha \mathcal{U}_2 + \beta \mathcal{U}_3) g_{\mu\nu} + \tilde{X}_{\mu\nu}^{(5)},$$

$$\tilde{X}_{\mu\nu}^{(5)} = \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu} - [\mathcal{K}] g_{\mu\nu} - \alpha \left\{ \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^2 - [\mathcal{K}] \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu} \right\} + \beta \left\{ \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^3 - [\mathcal{K}] \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^2 + \mathcal{U}_2 \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu} \right\},$$

$$Y_{\mu\nu}^{(5)} = -\mathcal{U}_4 g_{\mu\nu} + \tilde{Y}_{\mu\nu}^{(5)},$$

$$\tilde{Y}_{\mu\nu}^{(5)} = \mathcal{U}_3 \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu} - \mathcal{U}_2 \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^2 + [\mathcal{K}] \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^3 - \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^4,$$

$$W_{\mu\nu} = -\mathcal{U}_5 g_{\mu\nu} + \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu},$$

$$\tilde{W}_{\mu\nu} = \mathcal{U}_4 \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu} - \mathcal{U}_3 \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^2 + \mathcal{U}_2 \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^3 - [\mathcal{K}] \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^4 + \mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}^5.$$

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- The Einstein-like field equations for reference metric:

$$\sqrt{f} M_f^2 \left(R_{\mu\nu}(f) - \frac{1}{2} f_{\mu\nu} R(f) \right) + \sqrt{g} m^2 M_{\text{eff}}^2 s_{\mu\nu}^{(5)}(f) = 0,$$

$$\begin{aligned} s_{\mu\nu}^{(5)}(f) \equiv & -\hat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mu\nu} + \left\{ [\mathcal{K}] + \alpha_3 \mathcal{U}_2 + \alpha_4 \mathcal{U}_3 + \alpha_5 \mathcal{U}_4 \right\} f_{\mu\nu} + \alpha \left\{ \hat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mu\nu}^2 - [\mathcal{K}] \hat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mu\nu} \right\} \\ & - \beta \left\{ \hat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mu\nu}^3 - [\mathcal{K}] \hat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mu\nu}^2 + \mathcal{U}_2 \hat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mu\nu} \right\} - \sigma \left\{ \mathcal{U}_3 \hat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mu\nu} - \mathcal{U}_2 \hat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mu\nu}^2 + [\mathcal{K}] \hat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mu\nu}^3 - \hat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mu\nu}^4 \right\} \\ & - \alpha_5 \left\{ \mathcal{U}_4 \hat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mu\nu} - \mathcal{U}_3 \hat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mu\nu}^2 + \mathcal{U}_2 \hat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mu\nu}^3 - [\mathcal{K}] \hat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mu\nu}^4 + \hat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mu\nu}^5 \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

- $\hat{\mathcal{K}}$'s are defined as $\hat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mu\nu} = \mathcal{K}_{\mu}^{\sigma} f_{\sigma\nu}$, $\hat{\mathcal{K}}_{\mu\nu}^2 = \mathcal{K}_{\mu}^{\rho} \mathcal{K}_{\rho}^{\sigma} f_{\sigma\nu}$, and so on.
- These equations are differential, not algebraic as ones for the reference metric in the massive gravity \rightarrow the massive graviton terms \mathcal{U}_i 's will not easily turn out to be effective constants \rightarrow need the help of the Bianchi identities for both physical and reference metrics:

$$D_g^{\mu} G_{\mu\nu}(g) = 0 \rightarrow D_g^{\mu} \mathcal{H}_{\mu\nu}^{(5)}(g) = 0 \text{ (physical metric),}$$

$$D_f^{\mu} G_{\mu\nu}(f) = 0 \rightarrow D_f^{\mu} \left[\frac{\sqrt{g}}{\sqrt{f}} s_{\mu\nu}^{(5)}(f) \right] = 0 \text{ (reference metric).}$$

IV. Simple solutions for a five-dimensional massive bi-gravity

- Solving these **Bianchi constraint** equations for the **FLRW**, **Bianchi type I**, and **Schwarzschild-Tangherlini** metrics will yield a solution:

$$f_{\mu\nu} = (1 - \mathcal{C})^2 g_{\mu\nu} \text{ (proportional to } g_{\mu\nu} \text{)}.$$

- \mathcal{C} is a constant obeying the following algebraic equation:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sigma \mathcal{C}^5 - 2(\sigma - 2\beta) \mathcal{C}^4 + (\sigma - 8\beta + 6\alpha + \alpha_5 \tilde{M}^2) \mathcal{C}^3 \\ & + 4(\beta - 3\alpha + \alpha_4 \tilde{M}^2 + 1) \mathcal{C}^2 + 2(3\alpha + 3\alpha_3 \tilde{M}^2 - 4) \mathcal{C} + 4(\tilde{M}^2 + 1) = 0, \\ & \tilde{M}^2 = \tilde{M}_g^2 / \tilde{M}_f^2; \quad \tilde{M}_g^2 = M_g^2 / (m^2 M_{\text{eff}}^2); \quad \tilde{M}_f^2 = M_f^2 / (m^2 M_{\text{eff}}^2). \end{aligned}$$

- Once \mathcal{C} is solved, the corresponding value of **effective cosmological constant** $\Lambda_M \equiv -m^2 M_{\text{eff}}^2 \mathcal{U}_M$ will be defined as:

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_M &= -m^2 M_{\text{eff}}^2 \mathcal{C} [(\sigma \mathcal{C}^3 + 4\beta \mathcal{C}^2 + 6\alpha \mathcal{C} + 4) \\ &+ (\mathcal{C} - 1)(\alpha_5 \mathcal{C}^3 + 4\alpha_4 \mathcal{C}^2 + 6\alpha_3 \mathcal{C} + 4)] . \\ &= \Lambda_0^g [M_g^2 + M_f^2 (1 - \mathcal{C})^3] \neq \Lambda_0^g M_g^2. \end{aligned}$$

- Note that in massive gravity, $\Lambda_M = M_g^2 \Lambda_0^g$ due to $M_f = 0$.

IV. Simple solutions for a five-dimensional massive bi-gravity

- For the **FLRW metric**:

$$a_1(t) = \exp \left[\sqrt{\Lambda_0^g / 6t} \right]; \quad a_2(t) = (1 - \mathcal{C})a_1(t).$$

- For the **Bianchi type I metric**:

$$\exp[3\alpha_1] = \exp[3\alpha_{01}] \left[\cosh(3\tilde{H}_1 t) + \frac{\dot{\alpha}_{01}}{\tilde{H}_1} \sinh(3\tilde{H}_1 t) \right],$$

$$\exp[\beta_1] = \exp[\beta_{01}] \left[\cosh(3\bar{H}_1 t) + \frac{\dot{\beta}_{01}}{3\bar{H}_1} \sinh(3\bar{H}_1 t) \right],$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_1 = \sigma_{01} + \sqrt{\dot{\alpha}_{01}^2 + \dot{\alpha}_{01}\dot{\beta}_{01} - \frac{\Lambda_0^g}{3}} \int & \left\{ \left[\cosh(3\tilde{H}_1 t) + \frac{\dot{\alpha}_{01}}{\tilde{H}_1} \sinh(3\tilde{H}_1 t) \right] \right. \\ & \left. \times \left[\cosh(3\bar{H}_1 t) + \frac{\dot{\beta}_{01}}{3\bar{H}_1} \sinh(3\bar{H}_1 t) \right] \right\}^{-1} dt. \end{aligned}$$

$$\exp[\alpha_2] = (1 - \mathcal{C}) \exp[\alpha_1]; \quad \exp[\beta_2] = (1 - \mathcal{C}) \exp[\beta_1]; \quad \sigma_2 = \sigma_1,$$

$$\tilde{H}_1^2 = 4\Lambda_0^g / 27(1 - V_0^g); \quad \bar{H}_1^2 = V_0^g \tilde{H}_1^2.$$

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- For the Schwarzschild-Tangherlini black hole:

$$N_1^2(r) = F_1^2(r) = f(r) = 1 - \frac{\mu}{r^2} - \frac{\Lambda_0^g}{6} r^2, \quad H_1^2(r) = 1,$$

$$g_{\mu\nu}^{5d} dx^\mu dx^\nu = -f(r) dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{f(r)} + r^2 d\Omega_3^2,$$

$$f_{\mu\nu}^{5d} dx^\mu dx^\nu = (1 - C)^2 \left[-f(r) dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{f(r)} + r^2 d\Omega_3^2 \right].$$

V. Conclusions

- An effective method based on the Cayley-Hamilton theorem to construct arbitrary dimensional graviton potential terms has been proposed.
- We have shown that the five-dimensional massive (bi)gravity theories with additional massive graviton term \mathcal{L}_5 are indeed physically non-trivial.
- The nature of cosmological constant Λ_M can be realized in the context of massive (bi)gravity. In particular, all complicated massive terms in \mathcal{L}_M are behind in a simple constant Λ_M .
- We have found that some well-known metrics such as the FLRW, Bianchi type I, and Schwarzschild-Tangherlini spacetimes are indeed solutions of the five-dimensional massive (bi)gravity under assumptions that the physical metrics are compatible/proportional with/to the fiducial ones.

(Possible) further investigations

- A full **ghost-free proof** for higher dimensional massive (bi-)gravity [this task might be straightforward as claimed in Hassan, Schmidt-May & von Strauss, 1212.4525] ?
- The **stability** of Schwarzschild-Tangherlini-(A)dS black holes in the context of 5D massive (bi-)gravity ?
- The **fate of cosmic no-hair conjecture** in massive (bi-)gravity ?
- **Higher-than-five** dimensional scenarios of massive (bi-)gravity ?
- **Gravitational waves** in higher dimensional massive (bi-)gravity ?
- **Bound of graviton mass** in the massive (bi-)gravity [de Rham, Deskins, Tolley & Zhou, 1606.08462] ?

Note that **LIGO** has announced a bound: $m_g < 1.2 \times 10^{-22} \text{ eV}/c^2$
from **data of GW150914** [1602.03837].

For a comparison: **Mass of electron** is given by $m_e \simeq 0.51 \times 10^6 \text{ eV}/c^2$,
Mass of neutrino is determined as $m_\nu = 0.320 \pm 0.081 \text{ eV}/c^2$.

Thank you for your attention!