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# Cosmological implications of Horava-Lifshitz gravity

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ref. Horava-Lifshitz Cosmology: A Review

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# Power counting

$$I \supset \int dt dx^3 \dot{\phi}^2 \quad \int dt dx^3 \phi^n$$

$$\propto E^{-(1+3+ns)}$$

- **Scaling dim of  $\phi$**   
 $t \rightarrow b t$  ( $E \rightarrow b^{-1} E$ )  
 $x \rightarrow b x$   
 $\phi \rightarrow b^s \phi$   
 $1+3-2+2s = 0$   
 $s = -1$

- Renormalizability  
 $n \leq 4$
- Gravity is highly non-linear and thus non-renormalizable

# Abandon Lorentz symmetry?

$$I \supset \int dt dx^3 \dot{\phi}^2$$

$$\int dt dx^3 \phi^n$$

- Anisotropic scaling

$$t \rightarrow b^z t \quad (E \rightarrow b^{-z} E)$$

$$x \rightarrow b x$$

$$\phi \rightarrow b^s \phi$$

$$z+3-2z+2s = 0$$

$$s = -(3-z)/2$$

- $s = 0$  if  $z = 3$

$$\propto E^{-(z+3+ns)/z}$$

- For  $z = 3$ , any nonlinear interactions are renormalizable!
- Gravity becomes renormalizable!?

# Cosmological implications

- Higher curvature terms lead to **regular bounce** (Calcagni 2009, Brandenberger 2009).
- Higher curvature terms ( $1/a^6$ ,  $1/a^4$ ) might make the **flatness problem milder** (Kiritsis&Kofinas 2009).
- The  $z=3$  scaling **solves the horizon problem** and leads to **scale-invariant cosmological perturbations** without inflation (Mukohyama 2009).
- Absence of local Hamiltonian constraint leads to **CDM as integration “constant”** (Mukohyama 2009).
- New mechanism for generation of **primordial magnetic seed field** (S.Maeda, Mukohyama, Shiromizu 2009).

# Scale-invariant cosmological perturbations from Horava- Lifshitz gravity without inflation

arXiv:0904.2190 [hep-th]

c.f. Basic mechanism is common for “Primordial magnetic field from non-inflationary cosmic expansion in Horava-Lifshitz gravity”, arXiv:0909.2149 [astro-th.CO] with S.Maeda and T.Shiromizu.

# Usual story with $z=1$

- $\omega^2 \gg H^2$  : oscillate

$\omega^2 \ll H^2$  : freeze

oscillation  $\rightarrow$  freeze-out iff  $d(H^2/\omega^2)/t > 0$

$\omega^2 = k^2/a^2$  leads to  $d^2a/dt^2 > 0$

Generation of super-horizon fluctuations requires accelerated expansion, i.e. inflation.

- Scaling law

$t \rightarrow b t$  ( $E \rightarrow b^{-1} E$ )

$x \rightarrow b x$

$\phi \rightarrow b^{-1} \phi$



$\delta\phi \propto E \sim H$

Scale-invariance requires almost const.  $H$ , i.e. inflation.

# UV fixed point with $z=3$

- oscillation  $\rightarrow$  freeze-out iff  $d(H^2/\omega^2)/t > 0$   
 $\omega^2 = M^{-4}k^6/a^6$  leads to  $d^2(a^3)/dt^2 > 0$

OK for  $a \sim t^p$  with  $p > 1/3$

- Scaling law

$$t \rightarrow b^3 t \quad (E \rightarrow b^{-3}E)$$

$$x \rightarrow b x$$

$$\phi \rightarrow b^0 \phi$$



$$\delta\phi \propto E^0 \sim H^0$$

Scale-invariant fluctuations!

$\ln L$

# Horizon exit and re-entry

$$a \propto t^p$$

$$1/3 < p < 1$$

wavelength  $\sim a/k$

super-horizon & scale-invariant

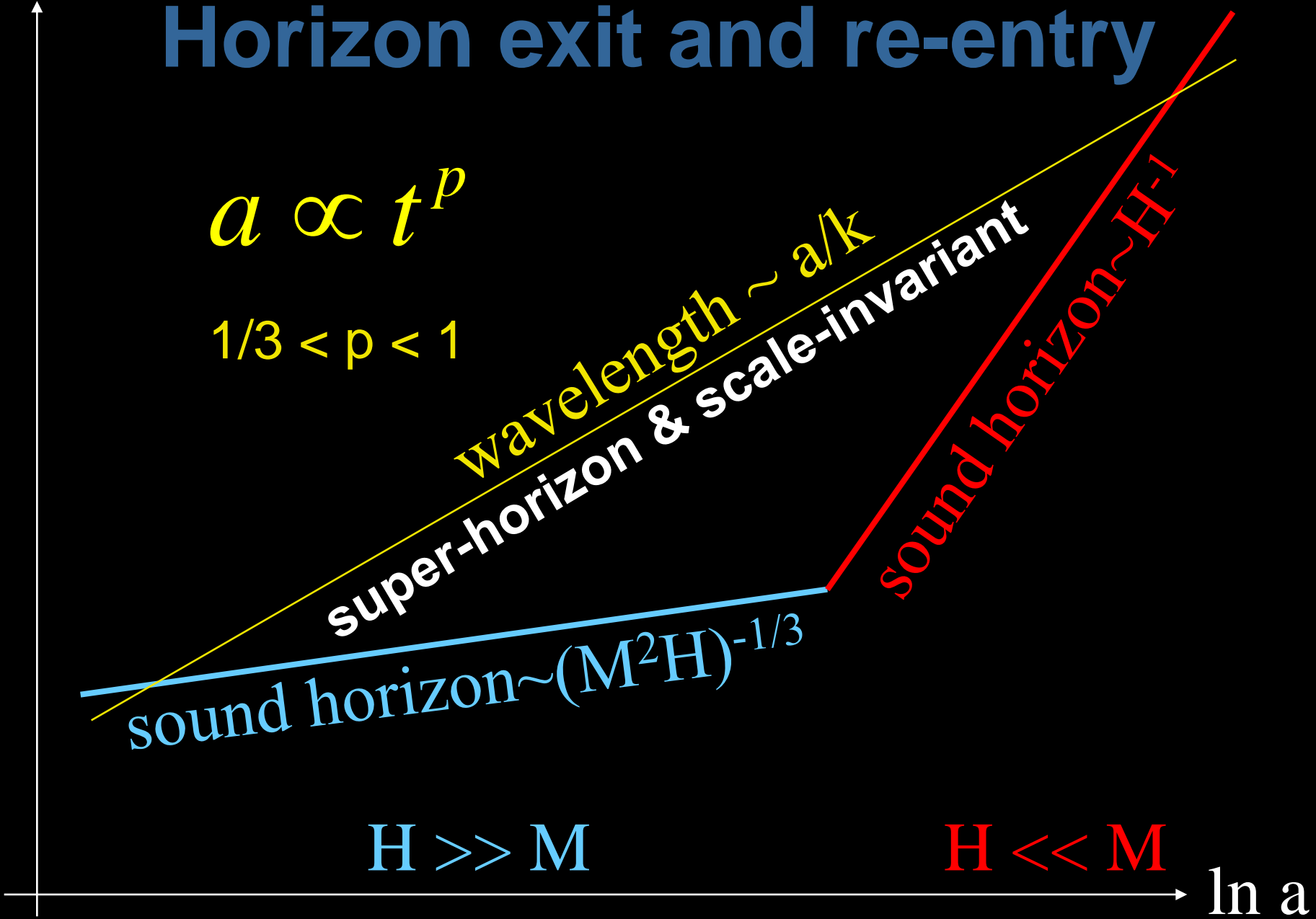
sound horizon  $\sim (M^2 H)^{-1/3}$

sound horizon  $\sim H^{-1}$

$H \gg M$

$H \ll M$

$\ln a$





$\ln L$

# Horizon exit and re-entry

$$a \propto t^p$$

$$1/3 < p < 1$$

Curvaton mechanism  
or/and  
Modulated decay

sup  
sound horizon  $\sim (M^2 H)^{-1/3}$

sound horizon  $\sim H^{-1}$

$H \gg M$

$H \ll M$

$\ln a$

**GOING BACK TO  
HORAVA'S IDEA**

# Horava-Lifshitz gravity

Horava (2009)

- Basic quantities:  
lapse  $N(t)$ , shift  $N^i(t,x)$ , 3d spatial metric  $g_{ij}(t,x)$
- ADM metric (emergent in the IR)  
 $ds^2 = -N^2 dt^2 + g_{ij} (dx^i + N^i dt)(dx^j + N^j dt)$
- Foliation-preserving diffeomorphism  
 $t \rightarrow t'(t), \quad x^i \rightarrow x'^i(t, x^j)$
- Anisotropic scaling with  $z=3$  in UV  
 $t \rightarrow b^z t, \quad x^i \rightarrow b x^i$
- Ingredients in the action

$$N dt \int \sqrt{g} d^3 x \left( \frac{1}{2N} \left( \partial_t g_{ij} - D_i N_j - D_j N_i \right)^2 + R_{ij} \right) \quad (C_{ijkl} = 0 \text{ in 3d})$$

# UV action with $z=3$

- Kinetic terms (**2<sup>nd</sup> time derivative**)

$$\int N dt \sqrt{g} d^3 x \left( K_{ij} K^{ij} - \lambda K^2 \right)$$

c.f.  $\lambda = 1$  for GR

- **$z=3$**  potential terms (**6<sup>th</sup> spatial derivative**)

$$\int N dt \sqrt{g} d^3 x \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} D_i R_{jk} D^i R^{jk} & D_i R D^i R & \\ R_i^j R_j^k R_k^i & R R_i^j R_j^i & R^3 \end{array} \right]$$

c.f.  $D_i R_{jk} D^j R^{ki}$  is written in terms of other terms

# Relevant deformations (with parity)

- z=2 potential terms (4<sup>th</sup> spatial derivative)

$$\int N dt \sqrt{g} d^3 x \left[ R_i^j R_j^i \quad R^2 \right]$$

- z=1 potential term (2<sup>nd</sup> spatial derivative)

$$\int N dt \sqrt{g} d^3 x \left[ R \right]$$

- z=0 potential term (no derivative)

$$\int N dt \sqrt{g} d^3 x \left[ 1 \right]$$

# IR action with $z=1$

- **UV:  $z=3$**  , power-counting renormalizability  
    ↓ RG flow
- **IR:  $z=1$**  , seems to recover GR iff  $\lambda \rightarrow 1$

$$\frac{1}{16\pi G_N} \int N dt \sqrt{g} d^3x \left( \overbrace{K_{ij} K^{ij} - \lambda K^2}^{\text{kinetic term}} + \underbrace{c_g^2 R - 2\Lambda}_{\text{IR potential}} \right)$$

note:

Renormalizability has not been proved.  
RG flow has not yet been investigated.

# Different versions of HL gravity

- There are at least four versions of the theory: w/wo detailed balance & w/wo projectability.
- Horava's original proposal was **with the projectability condition,  $N=N(t)$** , and with/without the detailed balance condition.
- **Non-projectable extension requires inclusion of  $a_i = (\ln N)_{,i}$  in the action [Blas, Pujolas and Sibiryakov 2009]**. Other wise, non-projectable theory is inconsistent [c.f. Henneaux, et.al. (2009)].
- In this talk I will consider the projectable case.

# Projectability condition

- Infinitesimal tr.  $\delta t = f(t)$ ,  $\delta x^i = \zeta^i(t, x^j)$   
$$\delta g_{ij} = \partial_i \zeta^k g_{jk} + \partial_j \zeta^k g_{ik} + \zeta^k \partial_k g_{ij} + f \dot{g}_{ij}$$
  
$$\delta N_i = \partial_i \zeta^j N_j + \zeta^j \partial_j N_i + \dot{\zeta}^j g_{ij} + \dot{f} N_i + f \dot{N}_i$$
  
$$\delta N = \zeta^i \partial_i N + \dot{f} N + f \dot{N}$$
- Space-independent  $N$  cannot be transformed to space-dependent  $N$ .
- $N$  is gauge d.o.f. associated with the space-independent time reparametrization.
- It is natural to restrict  $N$  to be space-independent.
- Consequently, Hamiltonian constraint is an equation integrated over a whole space.



# “Black holes” with $N=N(t)$ ?

- Schwarzschild BH in PG coordinate

$$ds^2 = -dt_p^2 + \left( dr \pm \sqrt{\frac{2m}{r}} dt_p \right)^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2$$

exact sol  
for  $\lambda = 1$

- Gaussian normal coordinate

$$ds^2 = -dt_G^2 + \dots$$

approx sol  
for  $\lambda = 1$

Lemaitre reference frame

Doran coordinate

# Dark matter as integration constant in Horava-Lifshitz gravity

[arXiv:0905.3563](https://arxiv.org/abs/0905.3563) [hep-th]

See also [arXiv:0906.5069](https://arxiv.org/abs/0906.5069) [hep-th]

Caustic avoidance in Horava-Lifshitz gravity

# Structure of HL gravity

- Foliation-preserving diffeomorphism  
= 3D spatial diffeomorphism  
+ space-independent time reparametrization
- 3 local constraints + 1 global constraint  
= 3 momentum @ each time @ each point  
+ 1 Hamiltonian @ each time integrated
- Constraints are preserved by dynamical equations.
- We can solve dynamical equations, provided that constraints are satisfied at initial time.

# FRW spacetime in HL gravity

- Approximates overall behavior of our patch of the universe inside the Hubble horizon.

- **No “local” Hamiltonian constraint**

E.o.m. of matter

→ conservation eq.

$$\dot{\rho}_i + 3\frac{\dot{a}}{a}(\rho_i + P_i) = 0$$

- Dynamical eq  
can be integrated to give

$$-2\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} - \frac{\dot{a}^2}{a^2} = 8\pi G_N \sum_{i=1}^n P_i$$

**Friedmann eq with  
“dark matter as  
integration constant”**

$$3\frac{\dot{a}^2}{a^2} = 8\pi G_N \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i + \frac{C}{a^3} \right)$$

# IR limit of HL gravity

$$\frac{1}{16\pi G_N} \int N dt \sqrt{g} d^3 x \left( K_{ij} K^{ij} - \lambda K^2 + R - 2\Lambda \right)$$

- Looks like GR iff  $\lambda = 1$ . So, we assume that  $\lambda = 1$  is an IR fixed point of RG flow.

- **Global Hamiltonian constraint**

$$\int d^3 x \sqrt{g} (G_{\mu\nu}^{(4)} + \Lambda g_{\mu\nu}^{(4)} - 8\pi G_N T_{\mu\nu}) n^\mu n^\nu = 0$$

$$n_\mu dx^\mu = -N dt, \quad n^\mu \partial_\mu = \frac{1}{N} (\partial_t - N^i \partial_i)$$

- **Momentum constraint & dynamical eq**

$$(G_{i\mu}^{(4)} + \Lambda g_{i\mu}^{(4)} - 8\pi G_N T_{i\mu}) n^\mu = 0$$

$$G_{ij}^{(4)} + \Lambda g_{ij}^{(4)} - 8\pi G_N T_{ij} = 0$$

# Dark matter as integration constant

- Def.  $T_{\mu\nu}^{HL}$   $G_{\mu\nu}^{(4)} + \Lambda g_{\mu\nu}^{(4)} = 8\pi G_N (T_{\mu\nu} + T_{\mu\nu}^{HL})$
- General solution to the momentum constraint and dynamical eq.

$$T_{\mu\nu}^{HL} = \rho^{HL} n_\mu n_\nu, \quad n^\mu \nabla_\mu n_\nu = 0$$

- Global Hamiltonian constraint

$$\int d^3x \sqrt{g} \rho^{HL} = 0$$

$\rho^{HL}$  can be positive everywhere in our patch of the universe inside the horizon.

- Bianchi identity  $\rightarrow$  (non-)conservation eq

$$\partial_\perp \rho^{HL} + K \rho^{HL} = n^\nu \nabla^\mu T_{\mu\nu}$$

# Micro to Macro

- Overall behavior of smooth  $T^{\text{HL}}_{\mu\nu} = \rho^{\text{HL}} n_\mu n_\nu$  is like **pressureless dust**.
- **Microscopic lumps (sequences of caustics & bounces) of  $\rho^{\text{HL}}$  can collide and bounce.** (cf. early universe bounce [Calcagni 2009, Brandenberger 2009]) If asymptotically free, would-be caustics does not gravitate too much.
- Group of microscopic lumps with collisions and bounces  $\rightarrow$  When coarse-grained, can it mimic a cluster of particles with velocity dispersion?
- **Dispersion relation of matter fields defined in the rest frame of “dark matter”**  
 $\rightarrow$  Any astrophysical implications?

# Summary so far

- Horava-Lifshitz gravity is **power-counting renormalizable** and can be a candidate theory of quantum gravity.
- While there are many fundamental issues to be addressed, it is interesting to investigate cosmological implications.
- The  $z=3$  scaling **solves horizon problem** and leads to **scale-invariant cosmological perturbations** for  $a \sim t^p$  with  $p > 1/3$ .
- HL gravity does NOT recover GR at low-E but can instead mimic GR+CDM: **“dark matter as an integral constant”**. Constraint algebra is smaller than GR since **the time slicing and the “dark matter” rest frame are synchronized**.



# Strong coupling vs loss of predictability

- In low-E EFT (e.g. massive gravity and DGP gravity), strong coupling usually implies loss of predictability. Prediction requires knowledge of infinite number of terms, which we do not know.
- In HL gravity, if the theory is really renormalizable then all coefficients of infinite terms in perturbative expansion are written in terms of the 11 parameters of the theory. Therefore, the strong coupling itself does not imply loss of predictability.
- However, we need to see if the strongly coupled sector decouples from the other sector. This would be an analogue of Vainshtein effect.

# Vainshtein effect in massive gravity

- Linearized analysis results in vDVZ discontinuity of the massless limit.
- However, perturbative expansion breaks down in this limit and cannot be trusted.
- Non-perturbative analysis shows continuity and GR is recovered in the massless limit.
- Continuity is not uniform as a function of distance. (e.g.  $1/r$  expansion does not work.) However, Vainshtein radius can be pushed to infinity in the massless limit.

# Linear instability of scalar graviton

- Sign of (time) kinetic term  $(\lambda-1)/(3\lambda-1) > 0$ .
- The dispersion relation in flat background  $\omega^2 = c_s^2 k^2 \times [1 + O(k^2/M^2)]$  with  $c_s^2 = -(\lambda-1)/(3\lambda-1) < 0$   
→ **IR instability in linear level**  
(Wang&Maartens; Blas,et.al.; Koyama&Arroja 2009)
- Slower than Jeans instability of “DM as integration const” if  $t_J \sim (G_N \rho)^{-1/2} < t_L \sim L/|c_s|$ .
- Tamed by Hubble friction or/and  $O(k^2/M^2)$  terms if  $H^{-1} < t_L$  or/and  $L < 1/M$ .
- Thus, the linear instability **does not show up if**  
 $|c_s| = |(\lambda-1)/(3\lambda-1)|^{1/2} < \text{Max}[|\Phi|^{1/2}, HL]$ . ( $\Phi \sim -G_N \rho L^2$ )  
for  $L > \text{Max}[0.01 \text{ mm}, 1/M]$   
(Shorter scales → similar to spacetime foam)
- **Phenomenological constraint on properties of RG flow.**

# Analogue of Vainshtein effect

- Breakdown of perturbation in the limit  $\lambda \rightarrow 1$

$$N = 1, \quad N_i = \partial_i B + n_i, \quad g_{ij} = e^{2\zeta} [e^h]_{ij}$$
$$B = \frac{3\lambda - 1}{\lambda - 1} \frac{\dot{\zeta}}{\partial^2}, \quad n_i = 0 \quad \leftarrow \text{momentum constraint}$$

$$I_{kin} = M_{Pl}^2 \int dt d^3 \vec{x} \left\{ (1 + 3\zeta) \left[ \frac{3\lambda - 1}{\lambda - 1} \dot{\zeta}^2 + \frac{1}{8} \dot{h}^{ij} \dot{h}_{ij} \right] \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{2} \zeta \partial^i (\partial_i B \partial^2 B + 3 \partial^j B \partial_i \partial_j B) + \frac{1}{2} (\partial^k h_{ij} \partial_k B - 3 \dot{h}_{ij} \zeta) \partial^i \partial^j B \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{4} (\dot{h}^{ij} \partial_k h_{ij}) \partial^k B \right\} + O(\epsilon^4),$$

- No negative power of  $(\lambda-1)$  in potential part
- Non-perturbative analysis is needed for scalar graviton sector!

# Analogue of Vainshtein effect

- Spherically symmetric, static ansatz

$$N = 1, \quad N_i dx^i = \beta(x) dx, \quad g_{ij} dx^i dx^j = dx^2 + r(x)^2 d\Omega_2^2$$



$$R \equiv \beta^{(\lambda-1)/(2\lambda)} r \quad \text{without HD terms}$$

$$R'' + \frac{\lambda-1}{\lambda} \left[ \frac{(3\lambda-1)(\beta')^2 R}{4\lambda^2 \beta^2} + \frac{(\lambda-1)\beta' R'}{\lambda\beta} - \frac{(R')^2}{R} \right] = 0$$

$$\frac{\beta'}{\beta} - \frac{(\lambda-1)R}{4\lambda R'} \left( \frac{\beta'}{\beta} \right)^2 + \frac{\lambda}{RR'} \frac{\beta^{(\lambda-1)/\lambda} + [(2\lambda-1)\beta^2 - 1](R')^2}{(3\lambda-1)\beta^2 + (\lambda-1)} = 0$$

- Two branches

$$\frac{\beta'}{\beta} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 + 4AB}}{2A},$$

$$A \equiv \frac{(\lambda-1)R}{4\lambda R'}, \quad B \equiv \frac{\lambda}{RR'} \frac{\beta^{(\lambda-1)/\lambda} + [(2\lambda-1)\beta^2 - 1](R')^2}{(3\lambda-1)\beta^2 + (\lambda-1)}$$

- “-” branch recovers GR in the  $\lambda \rightarrow 1$  limit

# Analogue of Vainshtein effect

$$\frac{\beta'}{\beta} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 + 4AB}}{2A}, \quad \rightarrow \text{choose the “-” branch}$$

$$A \equiv \frac{(\lambda - 1)R}{4\lambda R'}, \quad B \equiv \frac{\lambda}{RR'} \frac{\beta^{(\lambda-1)/\lambda} + [(2\lambda - 1)\beta^2 - 1](R')^2}{(3\lambda - 1)\beta^2 + (\lambda - 1)}$$

- $(3\lambda - 1)\beta^2 \ll (\lambda - 1)$   
perturbative regime,  $1/r$  expansion
- $(3\lambda - 1)\beta^2 \gg (\lambda - 1)$   
non-perturbative regime, recovery of GR
- $(3\lambda - 1)\beta^2 \sim (\lambda - 1)$  with  $\beta^2 \sim r_g/r \rightarrow r \sim r_g/(\lambda - 1)$   
analogue of Vainshtein radius???

dynamical



GR

$r \sim r_g/(\lambda - 1)$

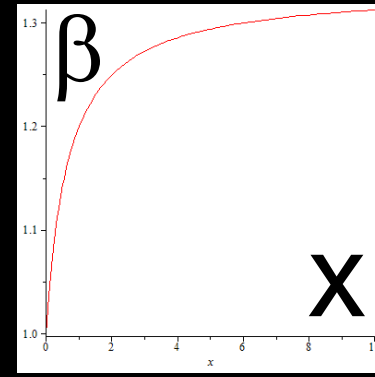
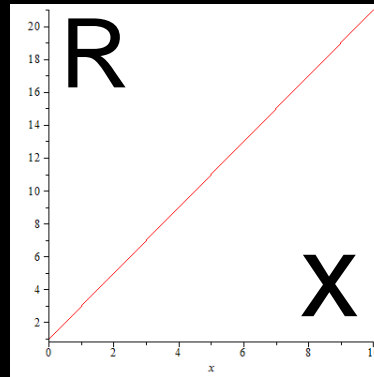
non-GR

Izumi & Mukohyama 2009  
“Stellar center is dynamical”

# Analogue of Vainshtein effect

- Numerical integration **in the “-” branch** with  $\beta(x=0)=1$ ,  $r(x=0)=1$ ,  $r'(x=0)$  given

for  
 $\lambda-1=10^{-6}$   
 $r'(x=0)=2$



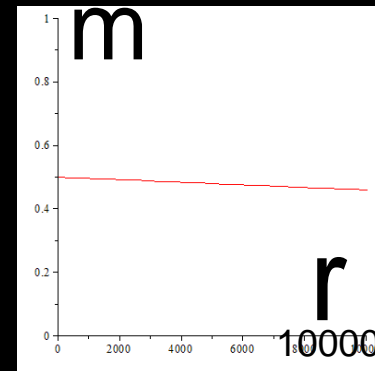
- Misner-Sharp energy

$$m \equiv \frac{r}{2} \left[ 1 - (1 - \beta^2)(r')^2 \right]$$

almost constant



**GR is recovered!**



# Nonlinear cosmological perturbation and $\lambda \rightarrow 1$

arXiv: 1105.0246 [hep-th] with K.Izumi

- HL gravity @ IR  $\rightarrow$  GR + DM [Mukohyama 2009]
- $\exists$  Subtleties with  $\lambda \rightarrow 1$
- Nonlinear cosmological perturbation in vacuum HL gravity
- Gradient expansion up to any order
- No problem with  $\lambda \rightarrow 1$
- Recovers GR+CDM with  $\lambda \rightarrow 1$  @ low E



# Caustic avoidance

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- In GR, congruence of geodesics forms caustics because gravity is attractive.
- HL gravity is repulsive at short distances, due to higher curvature (HC) terms.  
(c.f. bouncing FRW universe)
- With codimension 2 and 3, HC terms can bounce would-be caustics.
- With codimension 1, deviation of  $\lambda$  from 1 is also needed to bounce would-be caustics.

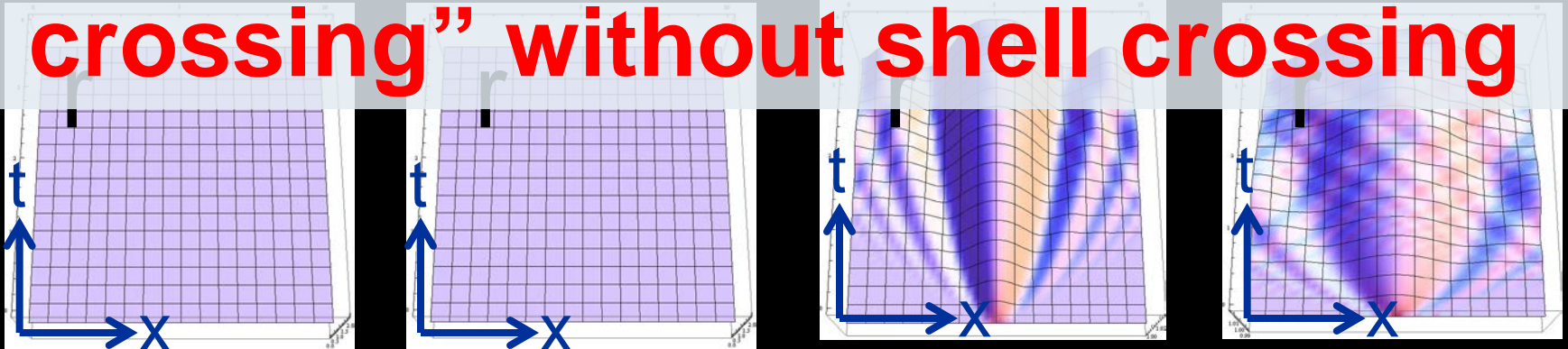
# Caustic avoidance

(preliminary)

$$N = 1 \quad N_i = 0$$

**HC terms and deviation of  $\lambda$  from 1 can bounce would-be caustics!**

**Perhaps, next step is to see “shell crossing” without shell crossing**



# What happens in the UV?

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- $1/3 < \lambda < 1$  is forbidden because of ghost
- Recovery of GR requires  $\lambda \rightarrow 1+0$  in the IR
- A natural candidate for the UV fixed point would be  $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$
- Regular and simpler dynamics with  $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$
- Weakly coupled if  $M_{z=3} \ll M_{\text{Pl}}$ .

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- HL gravity does NOT recover GR at low-E but can instead mimic GR+CDM: **“dark matter as an integral constant”**. Constraint algebra is smaller than GR since **the time slicing and the “dark matter” rest frame are synchronized**.
- For spherically-symmetric, static, vacuum configurations, **GR is recovered in the limit  $\lambda \rightarrow 1$  non-perturbatively**.  
→ analogue of Vainshtein effect
- For superhorizon cosmological perturbations, **GR + DM is recovered in the limit  $l \rightarrow 1$  non-perturbatively**.
- **Caustics avoidance** requires higher curvature terms and deviation of  $\lambda$  from 1 in the UV.
- A natural candidate for the UV fixed point would be  $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$ .

# Future works

- Renormalizability beyond power-counting
- RG flow: is  $\lambda = 1$  an IR fixed point ? Does it satisfy the stability condition for the scalar graviton?  
(  $|c_s| < \text{Max} [|\Phi|^{1/2}, HL]$  for  $L > \text{Max}[M^{-1}, 0.01 \text{mm}]$ )
- Can we get a common “limit of speed” ?  
(i)  $M_{z=3} \ll M_{\text{pl}}$ , (ii) supersymmetry, (iii) other ideas?
- How generic is ‘Vainshtein effect’?
- How generic is caustic avoidance, (perhaps with  $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$  &  $M_{\text{pl}}/M_{z=3} \rightarrow \infty$ ) ?
- Micro & macro behavior of “CDM”
- Adiabatic initial condition for “CDM” from the  $z=3$  scaling
- Spectral tilt from anomalous dimension