

Title: Galileons and their generalizations

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Abstract: <p>Galileons are higher-derivative effective field theories with curious properties which have attracted much recent interest among cosmologists. I will review their origins, their properties, their generalizations, and some recent developments.</p>

Galileon theories

- Effective field theories (non-renormalizable)
- Non-linearly realized symmetries (spontaneous breaking)
- Higher-derivative, yet ghost-free
- Regimes in which non-linearities are important and quantum effects are not

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Decoupling limit:

$$M_4 \rightarrow \infty, \quad M_5 \rightarrow \infty, \quad \Lambda \text{ fixed}$$

$$\text{other stuff} \rightarrow 0$$

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- Symmetry under shifts of the field and its derivative: $\pi(x) \rightarrow \pi(x) + c + b_\mu x^\mu$
Lagrangian changes by a total derivative, equations of motion are invariant.

Like Galilean transformations in particle mechanics:

$$q(t) \rightarrow q(t) + c + vt$$
$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}\dot{q}^2$$

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Spherical solutions: Vainshtein Mechanism

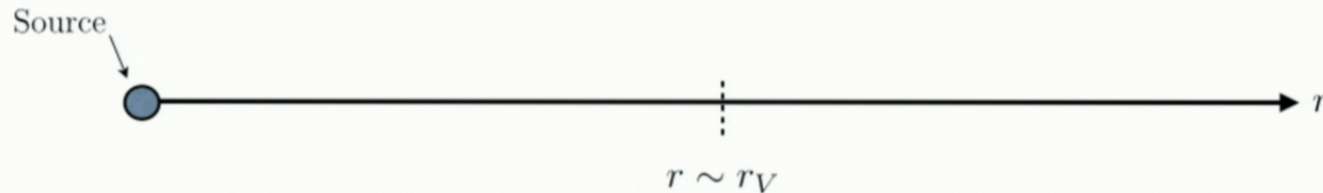
Screening through kinetic non-linearities

(Vainshtein 1972; Arkani-Hamed, Georgi, Schwartz 2003;
Deffayet, Dvali, Gabadadze & Vainshtein 2002;
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π -lagrangian from DGP

$$\mathcal{L} = -3(\partial\pi)^2 - \frac{1}{\Lambda^3} (\partial\pi)^2 \square\pi + \frac{1}{M_{Pl}} \pi T$$

↑ Scale of non-linearities ↑ Trace of matter stress tensor



Solution around point source of mass M :

$$\pi(r) = \begin{cases} \sim \Lambda^3 R_V^{3/2} \sqrt{r} + const. & r \ll R_V \\ \sim \Lambda^3 R_V^3 \frac{1}{r} & r \gg R_V \end{cases} \quad \text{Vainshtein radius: } R_V \equiv \frac{1}{\Lambda} \left(\frac{M}{M_{Pl}} \right)^{1/3}$$

Non-linearity become important at the Vainshtein radius

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$$\sim \left(\frac{r_V^{(3)}}{r}\right)^{3/2}$$

Kinetic terms are enhanced, which means that, after canonical normalization, the coupling to δT is suppressed. The non-linear coupling scale is also raised.

This is known as a Screening mechanism

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$$\mathcal{L} \sim (\partial\pi)^2 + \frac{1}{\Lambda^{3n}} (\partial\pi)^2 (\partial\partial\pi)^n + \frac{1}{\Lambda^{m+3n-4}} \partial^m (\partial\partial\pi)^n$$

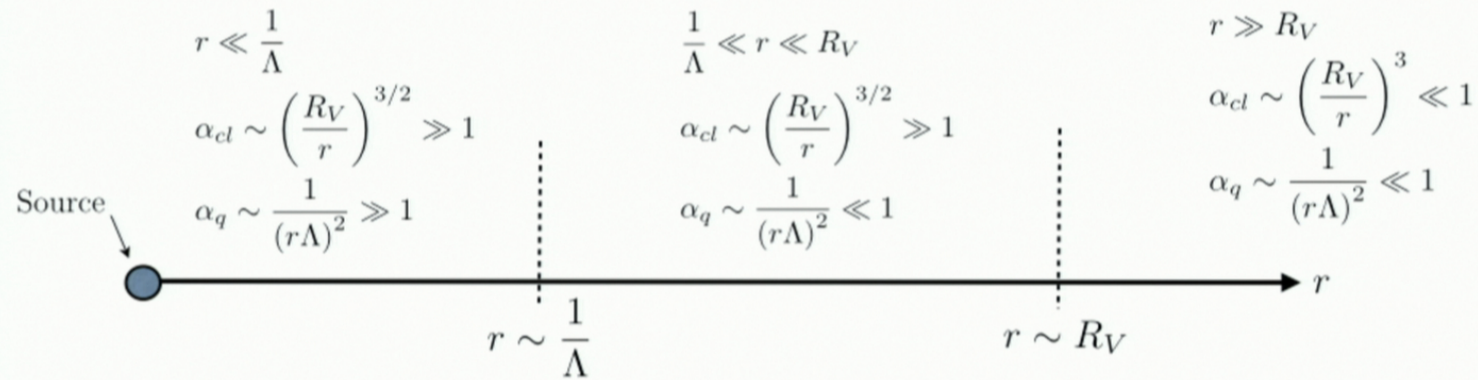
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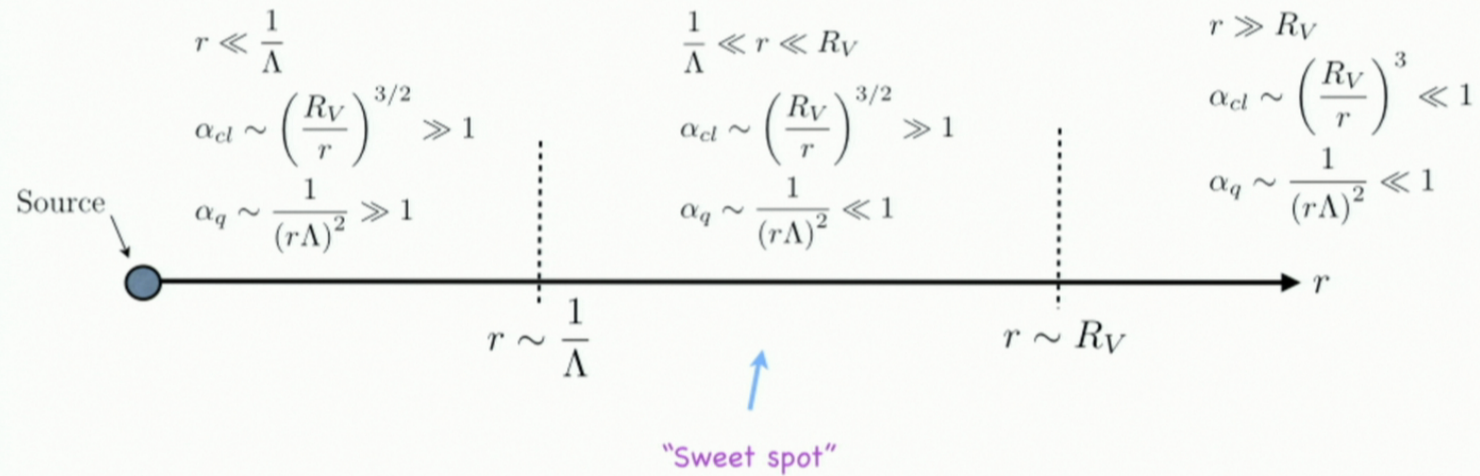


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Quantum corrections

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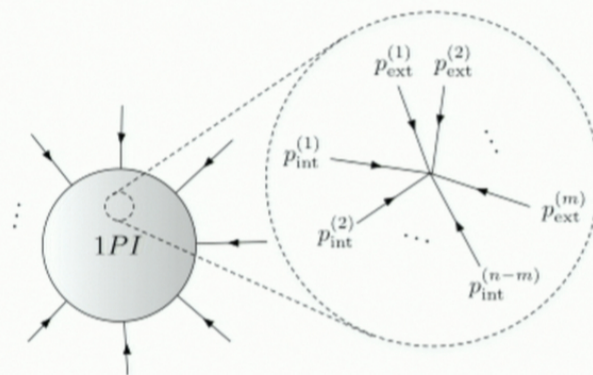
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Non renormalization theorem: the galileon terms receive no quantum corrections!

Can show that an n-point contribution to the quantum effective action contains at least 2n powers of external momenta, so it can't renormalize the Galilean term which has only 2n-2 derivatives.



$$\mathcal{L}_{n+1} \sim \eta^{\mu_1 \nu_1 \mu_2 \nu_2 \dots \mu_n \nu_n} (\pi_{\text{ext}} \partial_{\mu_1} \partial_{\nu_1} \pi_{\text{ext}} \dots \partial_{\mu_{m-1}} \partial_{\nu_{m-1}} \pi_{\text{ext}} \partial_{\mu_m} \partial_{\nu_m} \pi_{\text{int}} \dots \partial_{\mu_n} \partial_{\nu_n} \pi_{\text{int}}) \cdot$$

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Also: a mass term is not renormalized

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Not renormalized, no hierarchy problem

Appearance in ghost-free massive gravity

de Rham, Gabadadze, Tolley (2011)

Parameters $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{graviton mass } m \\ \text{Planck mass } M_P \\ \text{two additional dimensionless parameters} \end{array} \right.$

$$\frac{M_P^2}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[R - \frac{m^2}{4} \sum_{n=2}^4 \beta_n S_n \left(1 - \sqrt{g^{-1}\eta} \right) \right]$$

Characteristic Polynomials

$$S_n(M) = \frac{1}{n!(D-n)!} \tilde{\epsilon}_{A_1 A_2 \dots A_D} \tilde{\epsilon}^{B_1 B_2 \dots B_D} M_{B_1}^{A_1} \dots M_{B_n}^{A_n} \delta_{B_{n+1}}^{A_{n+1}} \dots \delta_{B_D}^{A_D}$$

Introduce Stückelberg fields: $h_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow h_{\mu\nu} + \partial_\mu A_\nu + \partial_\nu A_\mu + 2 \partial_\mu \partial_\nu \phi$

$$h_{\mu\nu} \xrightarrow{\text{relativistic limit } m \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} h_{\mu\nu} \sim \text{helicity } \pm 2 & 2 \text{ DOF} \\ A_\mu \sim \text{helicity } \pm 1 & 2 \text{ DOF} \\ \phi \sim \text{helicity } 0 & 1 \text{ DOF} \end{array} \right.$$

Leading operators

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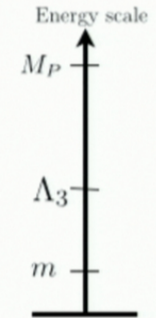
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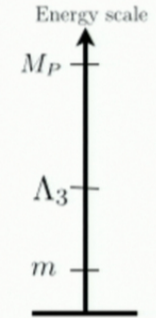
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They have the following properties, which ensures that the decoupling limit is ghost free

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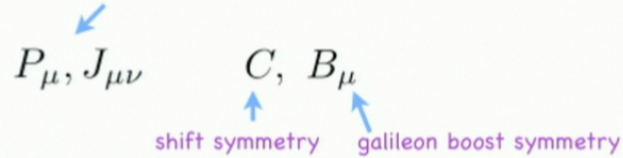
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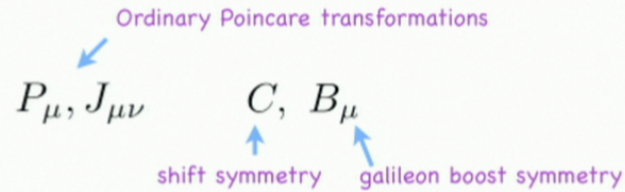
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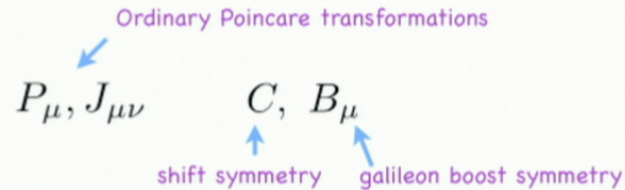
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Wess-Zumino-Witten terms

Wess, Zumino (1971)

Witten (1983)

Chiral lagrangian describes interactions of low energy pions.

$$U(x) = e^{B(x)} \in SU(3), \quad B(x) = -i \sum_{I=1}^8 \pi^I(x) \lambda_I$$

Spontaneous symmetry breaking $SU(3)_R \times SU(3)_L \rightarrow SU(3)_D$

$$U(x) \rightarrow LU(x)R^\dagger$$

Most general low energy invariant Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L} = f^2 \text{tr}(\partial_\mu U^\dagger \partial^\mu U) + L_4 [\text{tr}(\partial_\mu U^\dagger \partial^\mu U)]^2 + L_5 [\text{tr}(\partial_\mu U^\dagger \partial_\nu U)]^2 + \dots$$

There is also a term which is only invariant up to a total derivative: the Wess-Zumino-Witten term

$$\sim \lambda \int_{B_5} d^5 x \epsilon^{ijklm} \text{Tr} [U^\dagger \partial_i U U^\dagger \partial_j U U^\dagger \partial_k U U^\dagger \partial_l U U^\dagger \partial_m U]$$

Coupling is quantized for topological reasons

↓ Small field

$$\lambda \int_{B_5} d^5 x \epsilon^{ijklm} \text{Tr} [\partial_i B \partial_j B \partial_k B \partial_l B \partial_m B] \rightarrow \lambda \int d^4 x \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \text{Tr} [B \partial_\mu B \partial_\nu B \partial_\alpha B \partial_\beta B]$$

WZW term has fewer derivatives per field than the other terms, and is not renormalized. Topological quantization of the coupling gives a deeper reason for the non-renormalization theorem.

Galileons as Wess-Zumino terms

Garret Goon, KH, Austin Joyce, Mark Trodden (2012)

The galileons are boundary values of invariant 5-forms which can't be written as the derivative of invariant 4-forms



Problem in Lie algebra cohomology



Galileons are classified by non-trivial elements of $H^5(\mathfrak{Gal}(3+1,1), \mathfrak{so}(3,1))$

$$\omega_1^{\text{wz}} = \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \omega_C \wedge \omega_P^\mu \wedge \omega_P^\nu \wedge \omega_P^\rho \wedge \omega_P^\sigma$$

$$\omega_2^{\text{wz}} = \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \omega_C \wedge \omega_B^\mu \wedge \omega_P^\nu \wedge \omega_P^\rho \wedge \omega_P^\sigma$$

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$$\omega_4^{\text{wz}} = \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \omega_C \wedge \omega_B^\mu \wedge \omega_B^\nu \wedge \omega_B^\rho \wedge \omega_P^\sigma$$

$$\omega_5^{\text{wz}} = \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \omega_C \wedge \omega_B^\mu \wedge \omega_B^\nu \wedge \omega_B^\rho \wedge \omega_B^\sigma$$

Generalizations of the galileons

The galileon idea is quite general: can be generalized in many directions and occurs in many contexts

(Review: KH & Mark Trodden arXiv:1104.2088)

Other kinds of galileons: relativistic DBI galileons

de Rham, Tolley (2010)

The internal galilean symmetry can be made relativistic:

$$\delta\pi = c + b_\mu x^\mu \quad \longrightarrow \quad \delta\pi = c + b_\mu x^\mu - b^\mu \pi \partial_\mu \pi$$

Combines with spacetime Poincare(3,1) to form Poincare(4,1)

$$\delta\pi = -\omega^\mu{}_\nu x^\nu \partial_\mu \pi - \epsilon^\mu \partial_\mu \pi + c + \underbrace{b_\mu x^\mu - b^\mu \pi \partial_\mu \pi}$$

Ordinary boosts and translations

5th translation and boosts

Poincare(3,1) subgroup is represented linearly, the rest is not, so we have spontaneous breaking Poincare(4,1) \rightarrow Poincare(3,1)

D possible terms in D dimensions which give second order EOM. Recover galileons in the small field limit.

$$\mathcal{L}_2 = -\sqrt{1 + (\partial\pi)^2}, \quad \longleftarrow \text{DBI kinetic term}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_3 = -[\Pi] + \gamma^2 [\pi^3],$$

$$\mathcal{L}_4 = -\gamma ([\Pi]^2 - [\Pi^2]) - 2\gamma^3 ([\pi^4] - [\Pi] [\pi^3]),$$

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$$\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (\partial\pi)^2}} \quad \Pi_{\mu\nu} \equiv \partial_\mu \partial_\nu \pi, \quad [\Pi^n] \equiv \text{Tr}(\Pi^n), \quad [\pi^n] \equiv \partial\pi \cdot \Pi^{n-2} \cdot \partial\pi$$

Conformal Galileons

Nicolis, Rattazzi, Trincherini (2008)

$$\delta\pi = c \rightarrow \delta\pi = c - cx^\mu \partial_\mu \pi$$

$$\delta\pi = b_\mu x^\mu \rightarrow \delta\pi = b_\mu x^\mu + \partial_\mu \pi \left(\frac{1}{2} b^\mu x^2 - (b \cdot x) x^\mu \right)$$

Combines with spacetime Poincare(3,1) to form conformal group SO(4,2)

Spontaneous breaking SO(4,2) \rightarrow Poincare(3,1)

Again, D possible terms in D dimensions which give second order EOM

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Conformal Galileons: L_3 is Wess-Zumino

$$\mathcal{L}_3 = \frac{1}{2}(\partial\hat{\pi})^2\Box\hat{\pi} - \frac{1}{4}(\partial\hat{\pi})^4$$

- “Dilaton effective action” from proof of the a-theorem in 4-d Komargodski, Schwimmer (2011)

- The basis of “galilean genesis” scenario as an alternative to inflation, and its generalizations

Creminelli, Nicolis, Trincherini (2010)

KH, Justin Khoury (2011)

Covariant galileons

Deffayet, Esposito-Farese, Gilles, Vikman (2009)

Deffayet, Deser, Esposito-Farese (2009)

Coupling the galileons to curved space: $\partial \rightarrow \nabla$

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$$\mathcal{L}_5 = \sqrt{-g} (\pi_{;\lambda} \pi^{;\lambda}) \left[(\square \pi)^3 - 3 (\square \pi) (\pi_{;\mu\nu} \pi^{;\mu\nu}) + 2 (\pi_{;\mu}{}^\nu \pi_{;\nu}{}^\rho \pi_{;\rho}{}^\mu) - 6 (\pi_{;\mu} \pi^{;\mu\nu} G_{\nu\rho} \pi^{;\rho}) \right]$$

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Non-minimal terms



- Breaks Galilean symmetry (but preserves shift symmetry)

Probe brane construction

de Rham, Tolley (2010)

3-brane embedded in 5-d Minkowski

Action should be invariant under bulk Poincare,
and reparametrizations of the brane worldsheet:

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_P X^A &= \omega^A_B X^B + \epsilon^A \\ \delta_g X^A &= \xi^\mu \partial_\mu X^A\end{aligned}$$

Fix gauge with a “unitary” gauge:

$$X^\mu(x) = x^\mu, \quad X^5(x) \equiv \pi(x)$$

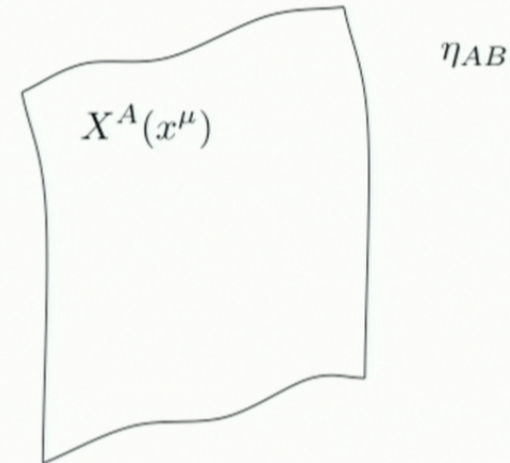
Poincare transformations do not preserve the gauge $\delta_P X^\mu = \omega^\mu_\nu x^\nu + \omega^\mu_5 \pi + \epsilon^\mu$

but gauge can be restored with a compensating gauge transformation with $\xi^\mu = -\omega^\mu_\nu x^\nu - \omega^\mu_5 \pi - \epsilon^\mu$

Combined transformation is

$$\delta_{P'} \pi = \delta_P \pi + \delta_g \pi = -\omega^\mu_\nu x^\nu \partial_\mu \pi - \epsilon^\mu \partial_\mu \pi + \omega^5_\mu x^\mu - \omega^\mu_5 \pi \partial_\mu \pi + \epsilon^5$$

P(4,1)→P(3,1) symmetry breaking



Probe brane construction

Actions are constructed from diff invariants of the intrinsic quantities on the brane:

$$\text{Induced metric} \quad g_{\mu\nu} \equiv \frac{\partial X^A}{\partial x^\mu} \frac{\partial X^B}{\partial x^\nu} \eta_{AB} \quad \xrightarrow{\text{gauge } X^\mu(x) = x^\mu} \quad g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \partial_\mu \pi \partial_\nu \pi$$

extrinsic curvature $K_{\mu\nu}$

covariant derivative ∇_μ

intrinsic curvature $R^\rho{}_{\sigma\mu\nu}$

Most general action with relativistic DBI symmetry:

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} F(g_{\mu\nu}, \nabla_\mu, R^\rho{}_{\sigma\mu\nu}, K_{\mu\nu}) \Big|_{g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \partial_\mu \pi \partial_\nu \pi}$$

Small field limit will have galilean symmetry.

Example: DBI term

$$\int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \rightarrow \int d^4x \sqrt{1 + (\partial\pi)^2} \rightarrow \int d^4x \frac{1}{2} (\partial\pi)^2$$

Probe brane construction

Possible terms in four dimensions:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L}_2 &= \sqrt{-g} \\
 \mathcal{L}_3 &= \sqrt{-g} K \\
 \mathcal{L}_4 &= \sqrt{-g} R \\
 \mathcal{L}_5 &= \sqrt{-g} \mathcal{K}_{GB}
 \end{aligned}$$

Bulk Einstein-Hilbert

Bulk Gauss-Bonnet

Flat brane and bulk

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \partial_\mu \pi \partial_\nu \pi$$

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DBI galileons

Small field limit

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 \mathcal{L}_5 &= -\frac{1}{2}(\partial\pi)^2([\Pi]^3 - 3[\Pi][\Pi^2] + 2[\Pi^3]).
 \end{aligned}$$

regular galileons

AdS bulk, flat brane
Small derivative limit

Conformal galileons

$$\begin{aligned}
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 &\quad \left. + \frac{10}{7}(\partial\pi)^2((\partial\pi)^2[\Pi] - [\dot{\phi}]) - \frac{1}{28}(\partial\pi)^6 \right]
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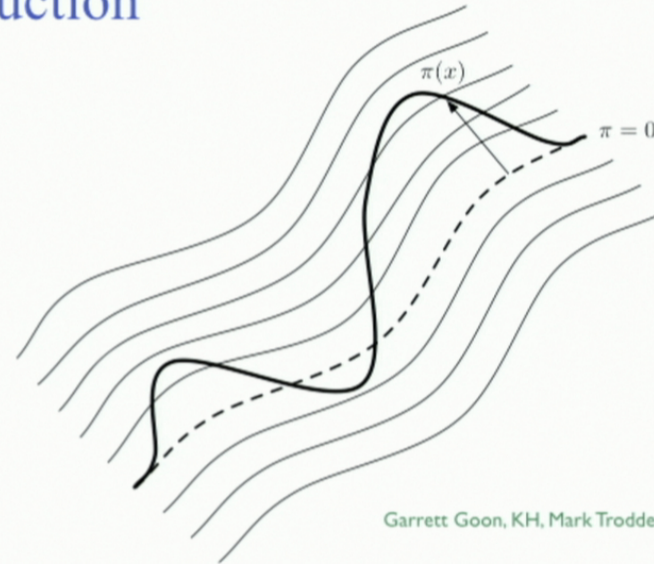
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 \end{aligned}$$

The general construction

General bulk metric: $G_{AB}(X)$

Gauge is fixed with respect to a chosen foliation

$$X^\mu(x) = x^\mu, \quad X^5(x) \equiv \pi(x)$$



Garrett Goon, KH, Mark Trodden (2011)

If the bulk metric has Killing vectors: $\delta_K X^A = a^i K_i^A(X) + a^I K_I^A(X)$

Galileons will have a

corresponding global symmetry: $(\delta_K + \delta_{g,\text{comp}})\pi = -a^i k_i^\mu(x) \partial_\mu \pi + a^I K_I^5(x, \pi) - a^I K_I^\mu(x, \pi) \partial_\mu \pi$

Possible maximally symmetric galileons correspond to possible foliations of maximally symmetric spaces by maximally symmetric hypersurfaces.

More general backgrounds

Garrett Goon, KH, Mark Trodden (2011)
Burrage, de Rham, Heisenberg (2011)

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		Brane space:		
		AdS	Flat	dS
Ambient space:	AdS	AdS galileons	Conformal galileons	dS galileons type I
	Flat	X	Original galileons	dS galileons type II
	dS	X	X	dS galileons type III

dS/AdS galileons

The symmetric galileon in curved space acquires a potential

de Sitter:

Tachyonic mass term (fixed by symmetry)

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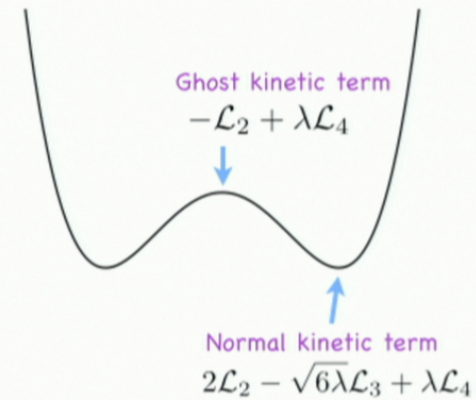
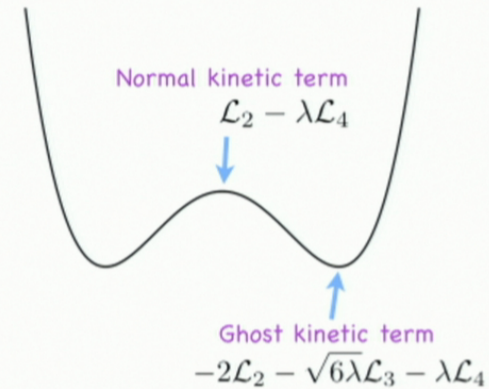
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Imposing Z_2 symmetry



FRW Cosmological backgrounds

Garrett Goon, KH, Mark Trodden (2011)

The brane can be a general FRW space-time with arbitrary scale factor $a(t)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L}_2 &= -\sqrt{-f} \frac{1}{\gamma}, \\
 \mathcal{L}_3 &= \sqrt{-f} \left[-\langle \Pi \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \langle f' \rangle + \gamma^2 \left(\langle \pi \Pi \pi \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \langle \pi f' \pi \rangle \right) \right], \\
 \mathcal{L}_4 &= \sqrt{-f} \left[-\frac{1}{2} \langle \pi f' \pi \rangle^2 \gamma^3 - \langle f' \rangle \langle \pi \Pi \pi \rangle \gamma^3 - 2 \langle \pi \Pi^2 \pi \rangle \gamma^3 + 2 \langle \pi \Pi \pi \rangle \langle \Pi \rangle \gamma^3 \right. \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{2} \langle f' \rangle \langle \pi f' \pi \rangle \gamma^3 + \langle \Pi \rangle \langle \pi f' \pi \rangle \gamma^3 - \frac{\langle f' \rangle^2 \gamma}{4} - \langle \Pi \rangle^2 \gamma + \frac{\langle f'^2 \rangle \gamma}{4} \\
 &\quad \left. - \langle \Pi f' \rangle \gamma + \langle f' \rangle \langle \Pi \rangle \gamma + \langle \Pi^2 \rangle \gamma + \frac{\langle \pi f'^2 \pi \rangle \gamma}{2} \right], \\
 \mathcal{L}_5 &= \sqrt{-f} \left[3 \langle \pi \Pi \pi \rangle \langle \Pi \rangle^2 \gamma^4 + \frac{3}{4} \langle f' \rangle \langle \pi f' \pi \rangle^2 \gamma^4 - \frac{3}{2} \langle \Pi \rangle \langle \pi f' \pi \rangle^2 \gamma^4 + \frac{3}{4} \langle f' \rangle^2 \langle \pi \Pi \pi \rangle \gamma^4 \right. \\
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Invariant under these non-linear symmetries

Coupling to ghost-free massive gravity

Gregory Gabadadze, KH, Justin Khoury, David Pirtskhalava, Mark Trodden (2012)

By adding a dynamical metric to the brane world-volume, we obtain a theory of massive gravity coupled to galileons:

- Massive scalar/tensor theory
- Preserves the galileon symmetries (now acts non-trivially on the metric)
- Still ghost-free



Decoupling limit now has galileon-like theories with infinite number of terms:

$$M_P^2 m^2 \left[\frac{1}{2} (\partial^\mu \partial_\nu \phi - \delta^\mu_\nu \square \phi) \frac{1}{\delta^\nu_\lambda - \partial^\nu \partial_\lambda \phi} \partial^\lambda \pi \partial_\mu \pi - \frac{1}{2} \det(\delta^\alpha_\beta - \partial^\alpha \partial_\beta \phi) \frac{1}{(\delta^\mu_\nu - \partial^\mu \partial_\nu \phi)^2} \partial^\nu \pi \partial_\mu \pi \right] + \text{massive gravity terms}$$

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Longitudinal mode of massive graviton
Galileon scalar field

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Brane Einstein-Hilbert term gives the unique multi-galileon term:

$$\int d^4x \sqrt{-g} (-a_2 + a_4 R) \rightarrow \int d^4x \left[-a_2 \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \pi^I \partial^\mu \pi_I + a_4 \partial_\mu \pi^I \partial_\nu \pi^J (\partial_\lambda \partial^\mu \pi_J \partial^\lambda \partial^\nu \pi_I - \partial^\mu \partial^\nu \pi_I \square \pi_J) \right]$$

p-form galileons

Deffayet, Deser, Esposito-Farese (2010)

Actions for p-form fields, with purely second order equations of motion: $\omega_{\lambda\mu\nu\dots} = \partial_{[\lambda} A_{\mu\nu\dots]}$

$$\eta^{\mu\alpha\nu\beta\dots} \omega_{\mu\nu\dots} \omega_{\alpha\beta\dots} (\partial_\rho \omega_{\gamma\delta\dots} \dots) (\partial_\epsilon \omega_{\sigma\tau\dots} \dots).$$

Galilean symmetry: $\delta A_{\mu\nu\dots} = c_{\mu\nu\dots}$

$$\delta \omega_{\mu\nu\lambda\dots} = b_{\mu\nu\lambda\dots}$$

Only works for even p, and in certain dimensions. First non-trivial case is 2 forms in 7 dimensions:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & -9(\omega^\mu{}_{\nu\rho,\sigma} \omega^{\sigma\tau\varphi} \omega_{\tau\varphi\mu,\chi} \omega^{\chi\nu\rho}) - 18(\omega^\mu{}_{\nu\rho} \omega_{\mu\sigma}{}^\tau \omega^{\varphi\chi\nu,\sigma} \omega_{\varphi\chi\tau,\rho}) \\ & -36(\omega^{\mu\nu\rho} \omega_{\rho\sigma\tau} \omega_{\mu\nu\varphi}{}^\sigma \omega^{\tau\varphi\chi}{}_{,\chi}) + 6(\omega_{\mu\nu\rho} \omega^{\mu\nu\rho,\sigma} \omega_{\sigma\varphi\chi} \omega^{\varphi\chi\tau}{}_{,\tau}) + 18(\omega_{\mu\nu}{}^\rho \omega^{\mu\nu\sigma} \omega_{\varphi\chi\rho,\sigma} \omega^{\varphi\chi\tau}{}_{,\tau}) \\ & -3(\omega^{\mu\nu\lambda} \omega_{\rho\sigma\tau,\lambda})^2 - 9(\omega^{\mu\nu\rho} \omega_{\rho\sigma\tau,\lambda})^2 + 18(\omega_{\mu\nu\rho} \omega^{\rho\sigma\tau}{}_{,\tau})^2 + 9(\omega^{\mu\nu\rho} \omega_{\mu\nu\sigma,\tau})^2 \\ & -9(\omega_{\mu\nu\rho} \omega^{\mu\nu\sigma}{}_{,\sigma})^2 - (\omega^{\mu\nu\rho} \omega_{\mu\nu\rho,\sigma})^2 + (\omega^2)(\omega_{\mu\nu\rho,\sigma})^2 - 3(\omega^2)(\omega^{\mu\nu\rho}{}_{,\rho})^2. \end{aligned}$$

Can also have mixed form-degrees, multi-field forms:

$$\eta^{\mu\alpha\nu\beta\dots} \omega_{\mu\nu\dots}^I \omega_{\alpha\beta\dots}^J (\partial_\rho \omega_{\gamma\delta\dots}^K \dots) (\partial_\epsilon \omega_{\sigma\tau\dots}^L \dots)$$

Species labels

Example: cubic coupling of a scalar to electromagnetism in 4 dimensions

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = 4F^{\mu\rho} F^\nu{}_\rho \pi_{,\mu\nu} - 2F^2 \square \pi & \quad (F_{\mu\nu,\rho})^2 - 2(F^{\mu\nu}{}_{,\nu})^2 = 0, \\ F^{\lambda\mu,\nu} \pi_{,\mu\nu} + F^{\mu\nu}{}_{,\nu} \pi_{,\lambda}{}^\mu - F^{\lambda\mu}{}_{,\mu} \square \pi & = 0. \end{aligned}$$

How general are second order equations?

Farlie, Govaerts, Morozov (1991)

Start with a lagrangian which is a function only of first derivatives of a field π :

$$\mathcal{L}_0 = F(\partial\pi)$$

Let \mathcal{E} be the Euler lagrangian operator that gives the equations of motion

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{\partial}{\partial\pi} - \partial_\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial(\partial_\mu\pi)} + \partial_\mu \partial_\nu \frac{\partial}{\partial(\partial_\mu\partial_\nu\pi)} - \dots$$

The following hierarchy gives lagrangians with purely second order equations:

$$\mathcal{L}_0$$

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← Euler hierarchy

Terminates after D steps in D dimensions. Last equation has invariance under $\pi \rightarrow f(\pi)$

$$F(\partial\pi) = (\partial\pi)^2 \rightarrow \text{galileons}$$

$$F(\partial\pi) = \sqrt{1 + (\partial\pi)^2} \rightarrow \text{DBI galileons}$$

Horndeski theory

Horndeski (1974)

Deffayet, Deser, Esposito-Farese (2009)

Most general scalar-tensor lagrangian with at most second order equations of motion for both tensor and scalar.

4 general functions of ϕ and $X \equiv (\partial\phi)^2$

$K, G^{(1)}, G^{(2)}, G^{(3)}$

$$\mathcal{L}^{(0)} = K(X, \phi),$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{(1)} = G^{(1)}(X, \phi) \square\phi,$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{(2)} = G^{(2)}_{,X}(X, \phi) \left[(\square\phi)^2 - (\nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \phi)^2 \right] + R G^{(2)}(X, \phi),$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{(3)} = G^{(3)}_{,X}(X, \phi) \left[(\square\phi)^3 - 3\square\phi (\nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \phi)^2 + 2(\nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \phi)^3 \right] - 6G_{\mu\nu} \nabla^\mu \nabla^\nu \phi G^{(3)}(X, \phi).$$

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Cheung, Kampf, Novotny, Trnka (2014)

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Higher shift symmetries

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Wess-Zumino terms for higher shift symmetries

$$\text{e.g. } N=2 \quad \phi \mapsto \phi + c + b_i x^i + S_{ij} x^i x^j$$

WZ terms have fewer than 3 derivatives per field:

$$\mathcal{L}_1 \sim \phi$$

$$\mathcal{L}_2 \sim (\nabla^2 \phi)^2$$

$$\mathcal{L}_3 \sim \frac{1}{2} \nabla^4 \phi (\nabla^2 \phi)^2 + \nabla^2 \phi (\nabla_i \nabla_j \nabla_k \phi)^2$$

\vdots

EOM are 4-th order (lower than the expected 6-th order):

$$\text{e.g. } \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}_3}{\delta \phi} \sim (\nabla_i \nabla_j \nabla_k \nabla_l \phi)^2 - 2(\nabla^2 \nabla_i \nabla_j \phi)^2 + (\nabla^4 \phi)^2$$

Condensed matter application

Griffin, Grosvenor, Horava, Yan (2013)

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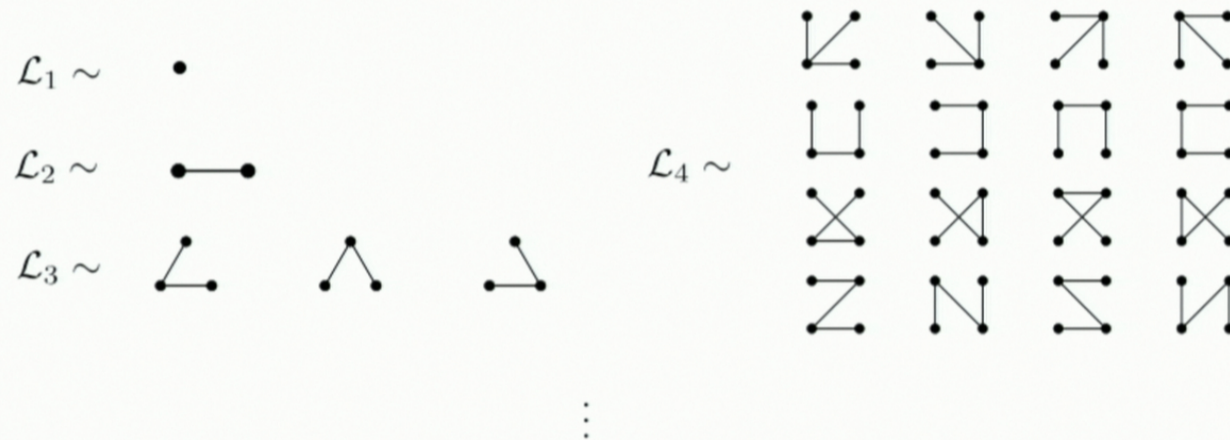
Graph theory construction

Associate a graph to any scalar term:

Griffin, Grosvenor, Horava, Yan (2014)



The original galileons are the equal weight sums of all connected tree graphs:

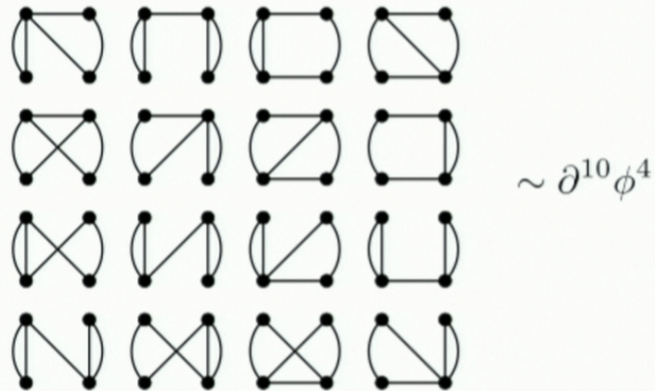


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Higher order shift galileons are obtained from loop graphs

e.g. quartic term with 10 derivatives invariant under $N=2$ shifts:



Topics I didn't touch

- Galileon duality de Rham, Fasiello, Tolley (2013)
- UV properties/strong coupling regime/asymptotic fragility/Superluminality/Non-locality
- UV completion not a local field theory (toy model of quantum gravity) Keltner, Tolley (2015)
- Classicalization Dvali, Gomez (2010-present)

Summary

- Galileon terms: ghost-free higher derivative scalar theories with extended symmetries and many nice properties. It is interesting that they exist at all.
- Connected to higher-dimensional geometry
- They show up in many places (decoupling limits of DGP, ghost-free massive gravities, dilaton effective actions...), and admit many generalizations
- Probably some deeper geometrical/topological reason for their existence