

Spacetime-Symmetry Breaking and the Generation of Gravitational Waves

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Symmetries?

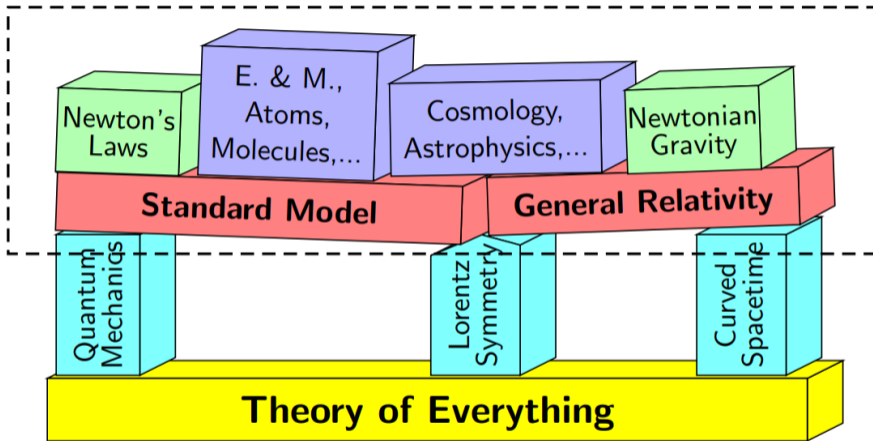


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Spacetime symmetries

- General relativity defined in geometrical terms: $ds^2 = g_{\mu\nu}dx^\mu dx^\nu$, no torsion

$$R^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g^{\mu\nu}R = 8\pi G T^{\mu\nu}$$

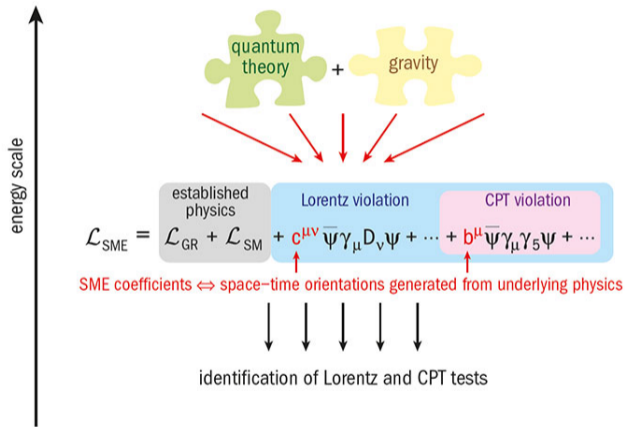
- Geometry
- Matter

The related conservation laws lead to the Bianchi identities ($+T_{[\mu\nu]} = 0$):

$$\nabla_\mu G^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

- Related symmetries:
 - Local Lorentz symmetry (**6 rotations**): $B'^\mu = \Lambda^\mu_\nu B^\nu$
 - Diffeomorphism symmetry (**4 translations**): $B^\mu \rightarrow B^\mu + (\partial_\nu \xi^\mu) B^\nu - \xi^\nu \partial_\nu B^\mu$

Standard-Model Extension



- Data Tables 0801.0287
- Indiana Center for Spacetime Symmetries (conferences, workshops, summer schools)

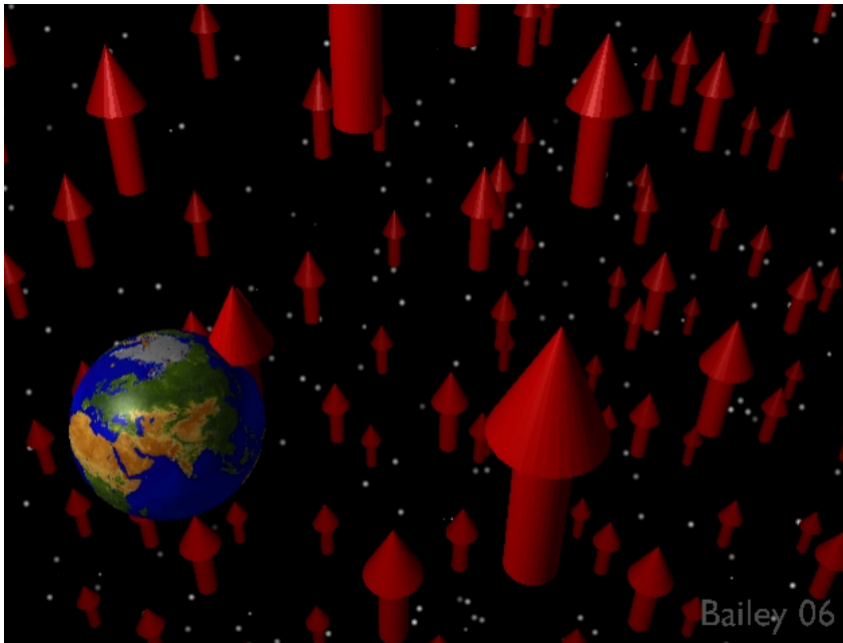
The pure-gravity sector

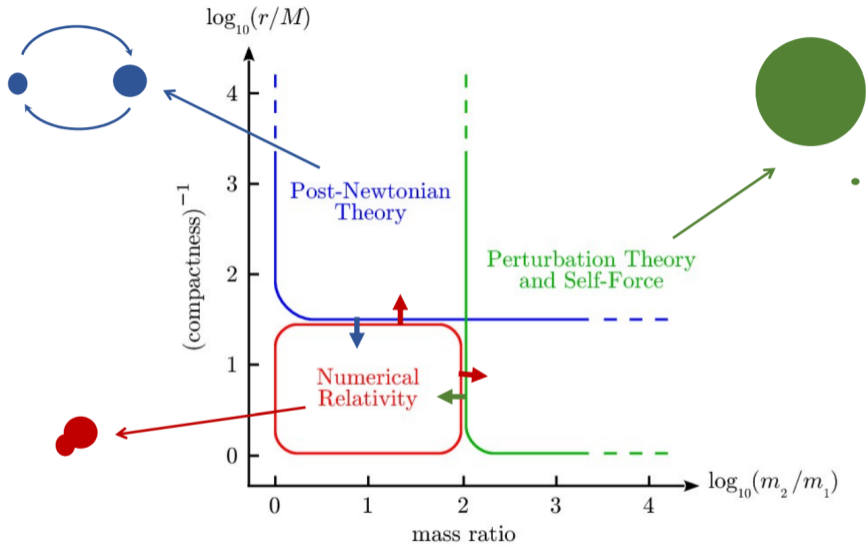
Pure gravity: generic Lagrangian up to dimension-6 operators

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{\sqrt{-g}}{2\kappa} \left[R + \underbrace{\left(k^{(4)}\right)_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}}_{20} R^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} + \underbrace{\left(k^{(5)}\right)_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta\kappa}}_{60} \nabla^\kappa R^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\left(k^{(6)}\right)_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta\kappa\lambda}}_{126} \{\nabla^\kappa, \nabla^\lambda\} R^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} + \underbrace{\left(k^{(6)}\right)_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta\kappa\lambda\mu\nu}}_{210} R^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} R^{\kappa\lambda\mu\nu} \right] + \mathcal{L}'$$

- $\nabla_\mu k \neq 0$, thanks to property of Riemannian geometry
- Dynamical coefficients iff spontaneous breaking, contained in \mathcal{L}'
- Any spontaneous breaking will involve a choice

Altschul+Bailey PRD 2010 consider generic potentials for antisymmetric tensors. For the pure-gravity sector, see e.g. Kostelecky PRD 2004, Bailey+Kostelecky PRD 2006, O'Neal-Ault+Bailey+NAN PRD 2021





- Galactic binaries, science case for LISA! (Image credit: Le Tuc 2014, Bernard)

“But what’s the Lagrangian?”

$$h_{\alpha\beta} \equiv \eta_{\alpha\beta} - g_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{8\kappa} \epsilon^{\mu\rho\alpha\kappa} \epsilon^{\nu\sigma\beta\lambda} \eta_{\kappa\lambda} h_{\mu\nu} \partial_\alpha \partial_\beta h_{\rho\sigma} + \frac{1}{8\kappa} h_{\mu\nu} \left(\hat{s}^{\mu\rho\nu\sigma} + \hat{q}^{\mu\rho\nu\sigma} + \hat{k}^{\mu\rho\nu\sigma} \right) h_{\rho\sigma}$$

- General Relativity
- Symmetry-breaking contribution

$$\hat{s}^{\mu\rho\nu\sigma} = s^{(d)} \mu\rho\epsilon_1\nu\sigma\epsilon_2\dots\epsilon_{d-2} \partial_{\epsilon_1} \dots \partial_{\epsilon_{d-2}},$$

$$\hat{q}^{\mu\rho\nu\sigma} = q^{(d)} \mu\rho\epsilon_1\nu\epsilon_2\sigma\epsilon_3\dots\epsilon_{d-2} \partial_{\epsilon_1} \dots \partial_{\epsilon_{d-2}},$$

$$\hat{k}^{\mu\rho\nu\sigma} = k^{(d)} \mu\epsilon_1\nu\epsilon_2\rho\epsilon_3\sigma\epsilon_4\dots\epsilon_{d-2} \partial_{\epsilon_1} \dots \partial_{\epsilon_{d-2}},$$

$$G_L^{\mu\nu} + M^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} h_{\rho\sigma} - \frac{\kappa}{c^4} T^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

- We have already discarded the Landau-Lifshitz pseudotensor

Order-by-order solutions

- Adopt an order-by-order solution scheme, where GR is the zeroth order

$$\bar{h}^{\mu\nu} = \bar{h}^{(0)\mu\nu} + \bar{h}^{(1)\mu\nu}$$
$$\square \bar{h}^{(0)\mu\nu} = -\frac{2\kappa}{c^4} \tau^{\mu\nu} \quad \square \bar{h}^{(1)\mu\nu} = 2\bar{M}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \bar{h}^{(0)}_{\rho\sigma}$$

- GR solution is well known

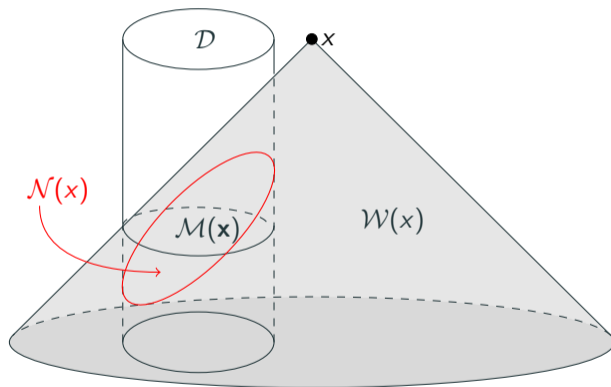
$$\bar{h}^{(0)\mu\nu}(x) = \frac{\kappa}{4\pi c^4} \int d^4y G(x-y) \tau^{\mu\nu}(y)$$

- First-order solution is non trivial

$$\bar{h}^{(1)\mu\nu} = -\frac{\kappa}{8\pi^2 c^4} \int d^4y d^4z G(x-y) G(y-z) \bar{M}^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \tau_{\alpha\beta}(z)$$

Post-Newtonian solution for an isolated source

- Integrate over the **near zone** and the **wave zone** separately



Formal solutions

- At the zeroth order, we find

$$\bar{h}^{(0)\mu\nu}(x) = \frac{\kappa}{4\pi c^4} \int_{\mathcal{N}(x)} d^3x' \frac{\tau^{\mu\nu}(\tau, \mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} + \frac{\kappa}{4\pi c^4} \int_{\mathcal{W}(x)} d^3x' \frac{\tau^{\mu\nu}(\tau, \mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|}$$

- which becomes the sources of first order

$$\bar{h}^{(1)\mu\nu}(x) = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\mathcal{N}_{\mathcal{W}(x)}} d^3x' \frac{\bar{M}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \bar{h}_{\rho\sigma}^{(0)}(\tau, \mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} - \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{W}(x)}} d^3x' \frac{\bar{M}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \bar{h}_{\rho\sigma}^{(0)}(\tau, \mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|}$$

- Contains $\hat{s}^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}$, $\hat{q}^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}$, $\hat{k}^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}$ and ∂_μ^n

Post-Newtonian expansion in the near zone

- Our approach is valid to 1PN \rightarrow linear in \bar{h} . Remember that n PN: $\frac{1}{c^n}$

$$\text{First-order source term: } \bar{M}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \bar{h}_{\rho\sigma}^{(0)} = \partial \partial \bar{h}^{(0)} + \partial \partial \partial \bar{h}^{(0)} + \dots$$

- Number of derivatives allowed is limited! (Also need to be linear in \bar{h})

$$\leq 2 \text{ time derivatives} \rightarrow \bar{h}^{(0)00} = \frac{4}{c^2} U + \frac{1}{c^4} \left(7U^2 + 4\psi - 4V + 2 \frac{\partial^2 \chi}{\partial t^2} \right) + \mathcal{O}(c^{-5})$$

$$\leq 1 \text{ time derivative} \rightarrow \bar{h}^{(0)0j} = \frac{4}{c^3} U^j + \mathcal{O}(c^{-5})$$

$$\text{etc } \bar{h}^{(0)ij} = \frac{1}{c^4} (4W^{jk} + U^2 \delta^{jk} + 4\chi^{jk}) + \mathcal{O}(c^{-5}),$$

All details in 2307.13302. First PN work in the SME: Bailey+Kostelecky PRD 2006

Choose the source as: $-\frac{1}{2c} \hat{s}^{jkmi} \partial_t \partial_i \bar{h}_{m0}^{(0)}$

- PN potentials involved become $U_j(x) = U_j^A(x) + U_j^{-A}(x)$

$$U_j^A(x) = \sum_A \frac{Gm_A v_j^A}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{r}_A(t)|}, U_j^{-A}(x) = \sum_{B \neq A} \frac{Gm_B v_j^B}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{r}_B(t)|}$$

Complications:

- Singular in the integration domain

Solutions:

- Schwartz distributional derivative + the generalised Gel'fand-Shilov formula
- Hadamard Finite Part procedure

$$\bar{h}^{(1)\mu\nu}(x) = -\frac{1}{2\pi r} \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \frac{n_L}{\ell! c^\ell} \left(\frac{d}{d\tau} \right)^\ell \int_{\mathcal{M}} d^3x' \tau^{(0)\mu\nu}(\tau, \mathbf{x}') x'^L$$

- New effects: Monopole and dipole contributions!
- We can work out the quadrupole solution as

$$\bar{h}^{(1)jk} \supseteq \bar{h}_{\mathcal{N}_w}^{\text{GR}jk} - \frac{4G}{3c^4 r} \tilde{s}^{jkmi} \ddot{I}_{im}^{\text{GR}} + \mathcal{O}(c^{-5})$$

- In general, a metric gravity theory has ≤ 6 polarisations

$$\frac{d^2 \xi_j}{dt^2} \sim R_{0i0j} \xi^k$$

- So projecting R_{0i0j} onto a spatial basis tells us about the polarisations
- Using a different solution technique (see 2307.13374) we find 2 d.o.f. at first order in coefficients.
- At second order, there is an additional longitudinal polarisation

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_{0202} - R_{0101} &= \frac{G}{\bar{r}} [(e_{1i}e_{1j} - e_{2i}e_{2j})(1 - \frac{2}{3}\bar{s}_{00}) - 2((\bar{s}_{tr})_{1i}e_{1j} - (\bar{s}_{tr})_{2i}e_{2j}) \\
 &\quad - 2(\bar{s}_{01}e_{1i}n_j - \bar{s}_{02}e_{2i}n_j) + \frac{1}{2}((\bar{s}_{tr})_{11} - (\bar{s}_{tr})_{22})(\delta_{ij} - n_i n_j)] (I)^{ij} \\
 R_{0102} &= \frac{G}{\bar{r}} [- (e_1)_i (e_2)_j (1 - \frac{2}{3}\bar{s}_{00}) + (\bar{s}_{tr})_{1i} (e_2)_j + (\bar{s}_{tr})_{2i} (e_1)_j \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{2}(\bar{s}_{tr})_{12}(\delta_{ij} - n_i n_j) + \bar{s}_{01} (e_2)_i n_j + \bar{s}_{02} (e_1)_i n_j] (I)^{ij}
 \end{aligned}$$

Summary

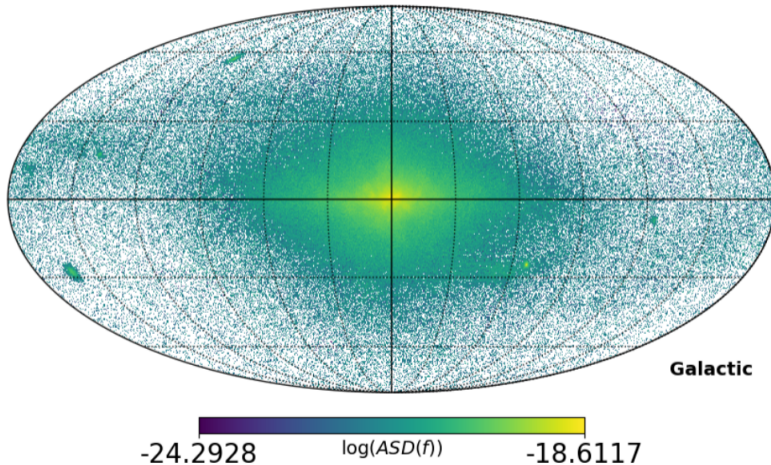
- Systematic gravitational-waves searches for spacetime-symmetry breaking largely focus on propagation effects
- First attempt at modified solutions within the Standard-Model Extension EFT (2307.13302 and 2307.13374)
- Monopole and dipole contributions appear
- Corrections proportional to known quantities
- Stay tuned for waveforms and LISA data



Backup slides

“Any signal would be much too weak.”

Answer: Yes and no



“Are there other choices for the hatted potentials?”

| Operator $\hat{K}^{(d)}_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}$ | Tableau | Gauge invariant | CPT | d | Number |
|---|--|-----------------|------|----------------|------------------------------|
| $k^{(d)}_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}$ | $\begin{array}{ c c c } \hline \mu & \nu & \dots \\ \hline \rho & \sigma & \\ \hline \alpha & \beta & \\ \hline \end{array}$ | yes | even | even, ≥ 4 | $(d-3)(d-2)(d+1)$ |
| $k^{(d,1)}_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma\alpha\beta}$ | $\begin{array}{ c c c } \hline \mu & \nu & \dots \\ \hline \rho & \sigma & \\ \hline \end{array}$ | no | even | even, ≥ 2 | $(d-1)(d+2)(d+3)$ |
| $k^{(d,2)}_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma\alpha\beta\gamma}$ | $\begin{array}{ c c c c } \hline \mu & \nu & \alpha & \dots \\ \hline \rho & \sigma & & \\ \hline \end{array}$ | no | even | even, ≥ 4 | $\frac{2}{3}(d-2)d(d+2)$ |
| $q^{(d)}_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}$ | $\begin{array}{ c c c c } \hline \mu & \nu & \sigma & \dots \\ \hline \rho & \alpha & \beta & \\ \hline \end{array}$ | yes | odd | odd, ≥ 5 | $\frac{5}{2}(d-4)(d-1)(d+1)$ |
| $q^{(d,1)}_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma\alpha\beta\gamma}$ | $\begin{array}{ c c c c } \hline \mu & \nu & \sigma & \alpha & \dots \\ \hline \rho & & & & \\ \hline \end{array}$ | no | odd | odd, ≥ 3 | $\frac{1}{2}(d+1)(d+3)(d+4)$ |
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| $q^{(d,3)}_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma\alpha\beta\gamma}$ | $\begin{array}{ c c c c } \hline \mu & \nu & \sigma & \dots \\ \hline \rho & & & \\ \hline \end{array}$ | no | odd | odd, ≥ 3 | $\frac{1}{2}d(d+1)(d+3)$ |
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| $q^{(d,5)}_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}$ | $\begin{array}{ c c c c c } \hline \mu & \nu & \sigma & \alpha & \dots \\ \hline \rho & \beta & \gamma & & \\ \hline \end{array}$ | no | odd | odd, ≥ 5 | $\frac{4}{3}(d-2)d(d+2)$ |
| $k^{(d)}_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}$ | $\begin{array}{ c c c c } \hline \mu & \nu & \rho & \sigma & \dots \\ \hline \alpha & \beta & \gamma & \delta & \\ \hline \end{array}$ | yes | even | even, ≥ 6 | $\frac{5}{2}(d-5)d(d+1)$ |
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TABLE I: Operators in the quadratic action for linearized gravity.

“What’s the symmetry structure of the hatted potentials?”

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“How can you be sure that you can use LL?”

We write the fluctuations around the Minkowski metric and its inverse as

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}, \quad g^{\mu\nu} = \eta^{\mu\nu} - h^{\mu\nu} + \mathcal{O}(h^2), \quad (1)$$

whereas the gothic metric and associated potentials are defined as

$$\mathfrak{g}^{\mu\nu} = \sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu}, \quad \mathfrak{h}^{\mu\nu} = \eta^{\mu\nu} - \mathfrak{g}^{\mu\nu}, \quad (2)$$

and we temporarily introduce the gothic metric potential $\mathfrak{h}^{\mu\nu}$ to distinguish it from $h^{\mu\nu}$. The gothic metric can be expanded in $h^{\mu\nu}$ as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{g}^{\mu\nu} &= (1 + \tfrac{1}{2}h + \dots) (\eta^{\mu\nu} - h^{\mu\nu}) = \eta^{\mu\nu} - h^{\mu\nu} \\ &\quad + \tfrac{1}{2}\eta^{\mu\nu}h + \mathcal{O}(h^2), \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

where we can plug in the definition of the trace-reversed potential $\bar{h}^{\mu\nu} = h^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}\eta^{\mu\nu}h$ to see that

$$\mathfrak{g}^{\mu\nu} = \eta^{\mu\nu} - \bar{h}^{\mu\nu}, \quad (4)$$

and the gothic potential therefore reads

$$\mathfrak{h}^{\mu\nu} = \bar{h}^{\mu\nu} + \mathcal{O}(h^2). \quad \square \quad (5)$$

“What do you mean by spacetime-symmetry breaking?”

- Explicit or Spontaneous breaking
- Observer or Particle transformations
- Local, Global, Global-Local, Manifold transformations

