

Some solutions in galileon theory

Eugeny BABICHEV

Laboratoire de Physique Theorique d'Orsay

with Cedric Deffayet and Gilles Esposito-Farese

arXiv:1107.1569

OUTLINE

- ◆ Introduction and motivation
- ◆ Spherical symmetry
- ◆ Variation of the Newton constant in a class of theories
- ◆ Conclusion

motivation

Nicolis et al'09

Motivated by Dvali-Gabadadze-Porrati model of gravity.

Scalar field theory with the properties:

- ◆ it directly couples to matter, $L \supset \pi T$
 - additional (fifth) force, like all scalar-tensor models, modified cosmological dynamics, Dark energy, inflation etc
- ◆ Vainshtein mechanism (like in massive gravity or DGP),
 - the scalar is screened in local measurements
- ◆ galilean symmetry, invariance under $\pi(x) \rightarrow \pi(x) + b_\mu x^\mu + c$
 - motivated by DGP, the cosmological solution of the form,
$$\pi = C + B_\mu x^\mu + A_{\mu\nu} x^\mu x^\nu + O(x^3 H^3)$$
 - loop correction do not produce other terms;
- ◆ up to second order derivatives in equations of motion,
 - no Ostrogradski ghosts

galileon lagrangians

Flat space-time (curvature and the backreaction of the galileon onto the metric are neglected)

Nicolis et al'09

$$\mathcal{L}_\pi = \sum_{i=1}^{i=5} c_i \mathcal{L}_i, \quad \mathcal{L}_i \sim \pi^i$$

$$\mathcal{L}_1 = \pi,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_2 = -\frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \pi \partial^\mu \pi,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_3 = -\frac{1}{2} (\partial \pi)^2 \square \pi,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_4 = -\frac{1}{4} (\square \pi)^2 \partial_\mu \pi \partial^\mu \pi + \frac{1}{2} \square \pi \partial_\mu \pi \partial_\nu \pi \partial^\mu \partial^\nu \pi + \dots$$

$$\mathcal{L}_5 = -\frac{1}{5} (\square \pi)^3 \partial_\mu \pi \partial^\mu \pi + \frac{3}{5} (\square \pi)^2 \partial_\mu \pi \partial_\nu \pi \partial^\mu \partial^\nu \pi + \dots$$

equations of motion of galileon

Equations of motion (in flat space-time)

Nicolis et al'09

$$\mathcal{E}_1 = 1$$

$$\mathcal{E}_2 = \square\pi$$

$$\mathcal{E}_3 = (\square\pi)^2 - (\partial_\mu\partial_\nu\pi)^2$$

$$\mathcal{E}_4 = (\square\pi)^3 - 3\square\pi(\partial_\mu\partial_\nu\pi)^2 + 2(\partial_\mu\partial_\nu\pi)^3$$

$$\mathcal{E}_5 = (\square\pi)^4 - 6(\square\pi)^2(\partial_\mu\partial_\nu\pi)^2 + 8\square\pi(\partial_\mu\partial_\nu\pi)^3 + 3[(\partial_\mu\partial_\nu\pi)^2]^2 - 6(\partial_\mu\partial_\nu\pi)^4$$

However, the perturbations of metric were neglected.

(metric couples to galileon nonminimally, through the higher derivatives
=> higher-order derivatives may appear in EOM for metric!)

covariant galileon

Indeed, naive covariantization, $\partial_\mu \rightarrow D_\mu$, leads to higher-order derivative EOMs for $\mathcal{L}_4, \mathcal{L}_5$ terms.

Deffayet et al'09

Can be cured by adding non-minimal scalar-metric coupling to “flat” Galileon

$$\mathcal{L}_\pi = \sum_{i=1}^{i=5} a_i \mathcal{L}_i,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_1 = \pi, \quad \mathcal{L}_2 = \partial_\mu \pi \partial^\mu \pi, \quad \mathcal{L}_3 = (\partial\pi)^2 \square\pi$$

$$\mathcal{L}_4 = -(\pi_{;\alpha} \pi^{;\alpha}) \left[2(\square\pi)^2 - 2(\pi_{;\mu\nu} \pi^{;\mu\nu}) - \frac{1}{2} \pi_{;\mu} \pi^{;\mu} R \right],$$

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

covariant galileon (II)

In a curved space time the galilean symmetry is lost

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

One may consider more general class of theories:

1. No Ostrogradski ghosts
2. Vainshtein mechanism

generalization of galileon

$$\mathcal{L}^{(1)} = V(\varphi, X)$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{(2)} = K(\varphi, X)$$

Deffayet et al'11

$$\mathcal{L}^{(3)} = G^{(3)}(\varphi, X) \square\varphi$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{(4)} = G_{,X}^{(4)}(\varphi, X) [(\square\varphi)^2 - (\nabla\nabla\varphi)^2] + R G^{(4)}(\varphi, X)$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{(5)} = G_{,X}^{(5)}(\varphi, X) [(\square\varphi)^3 - 3\square\varphi (\nabla\nabla\varphi)^2 + 2(\nabla\nabla\varphi)^3] - 6G_{\mu\nu}\nabla^\mu\nabla^\nu\varphi G^{(5)}(\varphi, X)$$

$V, K, G^{(3)}, G^{(4)}, G^{(5)}$ are arbitrary functions of the fields and its the canonical kinetic term X

Second-order derivative EOMs:
“generalized” Galileons
or
Horndeski theory

Horndeski'74

the Vainshtein mechanism

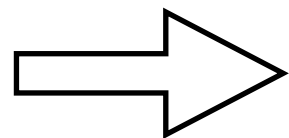
For the Vainshtein mechanism to work it is (generically) sufficient to have a non-linear kinetic term (“k-mouflage” gravity),

$$S = M_P^2 \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[(1 + \varphi) \frac{R}{2} + K(\varphi, \partial\varphi, \partial^2\varphi, \dots) \right] + S_{\text{matter}}$$

EB, Deffayet, Ziour et al'09

$$\partial^2 h + \partial^2 \varphi = M_P^{-2} T$$

$$\partial^2 h + \mathcal{E}_\varphi = 0$$



$$\partial^2 \varphi + \mathcal{E}_\varphi = M_P^{-2} T$$

$$\partial^2 \varphi = M_P^{-2} T$$

$$h \neq h_{\text{GR}}$$

$$\partial^2 \varphi \ll \mathcal{E}_\varphi = M_P^{-2} T$$

$$h \approx h_{\text{GR}}$$

spherical symmetry

general case (I)

$$\partial^2 \varphi + \mathcal{E}_\varphi = \frac{T}{M_{\text{P}}^2}$$

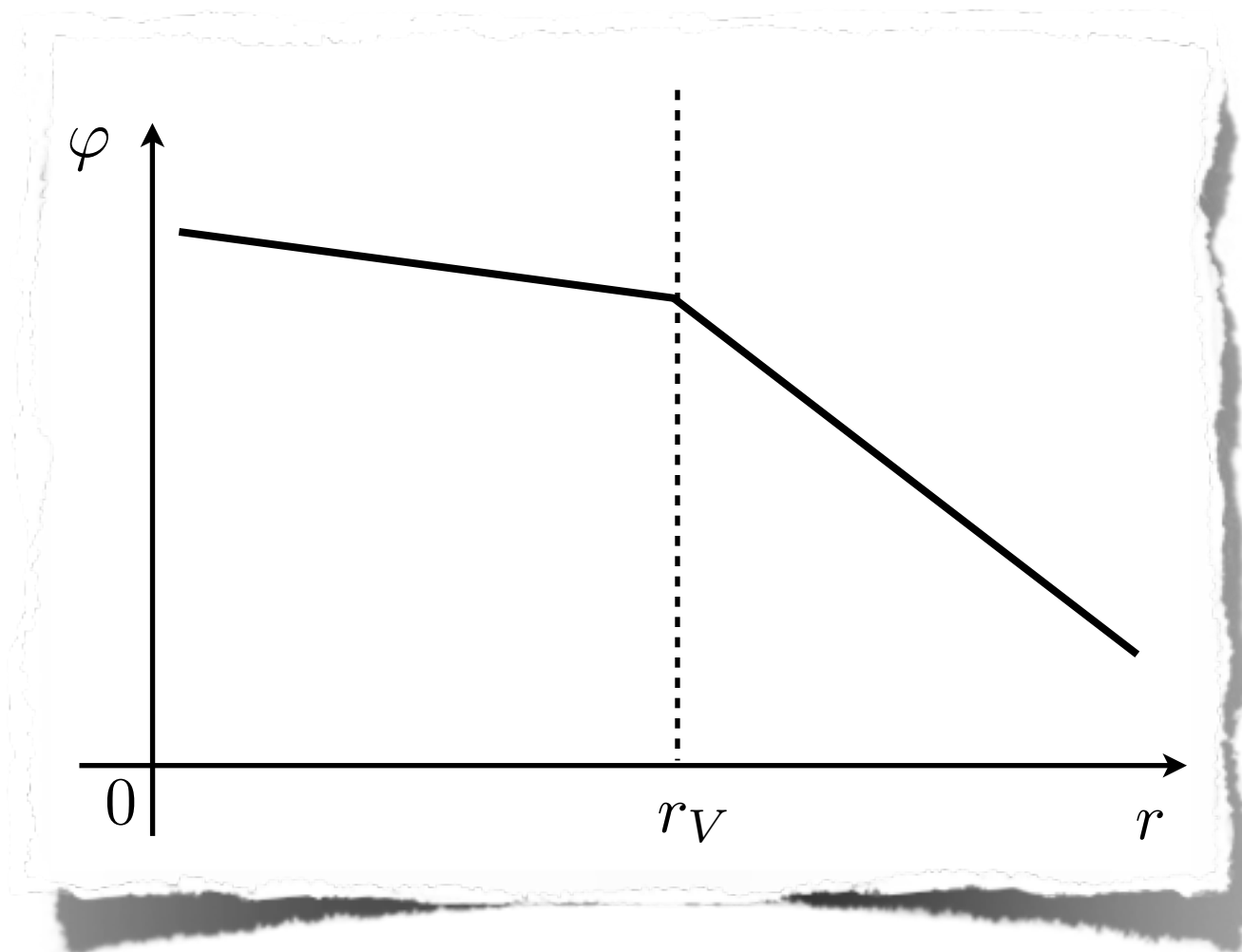
$$\mathcal{E}_\varphi \sim M^\# \varphi^\# \partial \varphi^\# \xrightarrow{\partial \rightarrow 1/r} \mathcal{E}_\varphi \sim M^{2-l} r^{-l} \varphi^n$$

$$l+n>3$$

$$\varphi \sim \frac{r_S}{r}, \quad r > r_V$$

$$\varphi \sim (r_S M)^{\frac{1}{n}} (r M)^{\frac{l-3}{n}}, \quad r < r_V$$

$$r_V \sim M^{-1} (M r_S)^{\frac{n-1}{l+n-3}}$$



general case (II)

EOM is identically zero on flat space time,
but non-zero on curved background

$$\mathcal{E}_\varphi \sim r_S^\# M^\# \varphi^\# \partial \varphi^\# \xrightarrow{\partial \rightarrow 1/r} \mathcal{E}_\varphi \sim r_S^{-s} M^{2-l-s} r^{-l} \varphi^n$$

$$\varphi \sim \frac{r_S}{r}, \quad r > r_V$$

$$\varphi \sim (r_S M)^{\frac{s+1}{n}} (r M)^{\frac{l-3}{n}}, \quad r < r_V$$

$$r_V \sim M^{-1} (M r_S)^{\frac{n-s-1}{n+l-3}}$$

some examples

decoupling limit of DGP

$$l=4, n=2, s=0$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{L}}{M_{\text{P}}^2} = \frac{1}{M^2} (\partial\varphi)^2 \square\varphi$$

$$\mathcal{E}_\varphi = \frac{1}{M^2} \left(\frac{4\varphi'\varphi''}{r} - \frac{2\varphi'^2}{r^2} \right) \sim M^{-2} r^{-4} \varphi^2$$

$$r_V \sim \left(\frac{r_S}{M^2} \right)^{1/3} \quad \varphi' \sim M \left(\frac{r_S}{r} \right)^{1/2}$$

pure k-essence

$$l=4, n=3, s=0$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{L}}{M_{\text{P}}^2} = \frac{1}{M^2} (\partial\varphi)^4$$

$$\mathcal{E}_\varphi \propto \frac{1}{M^2} \varphi'^2 \varphi'' \sim M^{-2} r^{-4} \varphi^3$$

$$r_V \sim \left(\frac{r_S}{M} \right)^{1/2} \quad \varphi' \sim \left(\frac{M^2 r_S}{r^2} \right)^{1/3}$$

time-varying Newton's constant

ingredients

action

$$S = \frac{M_{\text{P}}^2}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} (R + \mathcal{L}_{\text{s}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{NL}}) + S_m [\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}, \psi_m],$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{s}} = -(\partial\varphi)^2$$

$\mathcal{L}_{\text{NL}}$ — nonlinear self-interaction of φ

$$\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = \mathcal{A}^2(\varphi) g_{\mu\nu}$$

$\mathcal{L}_{\text{NL}}$: - Restores GR thanks to the Vainshtein mechanism,
- shift-symmetric, $\varphi \rightarrow \varphi + \text{const.}$

eoms

$$M_{\text{P}}^2 G_{\mu\nu} = T_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{st})} + T_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{NL})} + T_{\mu\nu}^{(\text{m})}$$

$$\nabla_{\mu} (\nabla^{\mu} \varphi + J_{\text{NL}}^{\mu}) = -\alpha(\varphi) M_{\text{P}}^{-2} T^{(\text{m})}$$

$$\alpha(\varphi) \equiv d \ln (\mathcal{A}) / d\varphi$$

$$J_{\text{NL}}^{\mu} \equiv -\delta \mathcal{L}_{\text{NL}} / \delta \varphi_{,\mu}$$

we can choose at present $\mathcal{A}(\varphi) = 1$

$T^{(\text{m})} = \mathcal{A}^4(\varphi) \tilde{T}^{(\text{m})}$ but we neglect variation of the scalar field
in the r.h.s of the field equation

homogeneous evolution

$$\ddot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}} + 3H\dot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}} - \nabla_0 (J_{\text{NL}}^0) = \alpha(\varphi) M_{\text{P}}^{-2} T^{(\text{m})}$$

homogeneous evolution

$$\ddot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}} + 3H\dot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}} - \nabla_0 (J_{\text{NL}}^0) = \alpha(\varphi) M_{\text{P}}^{-2} T^{(\text{m})}$$

$$\rho_{\varphi} \ll \rho_{\text{m}}$$

scalar is **not** in cosmological
Vainshtein regime

$$\Rightarrow |\dot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}}| \sim \alpha H \quad + \text{decaying solution}$$

homogeneous evolution

$$\ddot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}} + 3H\dot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}} - \nabla_0 (J_{\text{NL}}^0) = \alpha(\varphi)M_{\text{P}}^{-2}T^{(\text{m})}$$

$$\rho_{\varphi} \ll_{+} \rho_{\text{m}}$$

scalar is **not** in cosmological
Vainshtein regime

$$\Rightarrow |\dot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}}| \sim \alpha H \quad + \text{decaying solution}$$

$$\rho_{\varphi} \ll_{+} \rho_{\text{m}}$$

scalar **is** in cosmological
Vainshtein regime

$$\Rightarrow |\dot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}}| \ll H_0 \quad \text{Cosmological analogue!}$$

homogeneous evolution

$$\ddot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}} + 3H\dot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}} - \nabla_0 (J_{\text{NL}}^0) = \alpha(\varphi) M_{\text{P}}^{-2} T^{(\text{m})}$$

$$\rho_{\varphi} \ll \rho_{\text{m}} +$$

scalar is **not** in cosmological
Vainshtein regime

$$\Rightarrow |\dot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}}| \sim \alpha H \quad + \text{decaying solution}$$

$$\rho_{\varphi} \ll \rho_{\text{m}} +$$

scalar **is** in cosmological
Vainshtein regime

$$\Rightarrow |\dot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}}| \ll H_0 \quad \text{Cosmological analogue!}$$

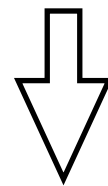
$$\rho_{\varphi} \gg \rho_{\text{m}}$$

i.e. self-accelerated
scenario

$$\Rightarrow |\dot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}}| \sim H_0$$

local effects (I)

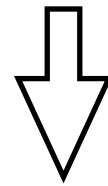
$$\varphi'(r) + J_{\text{NL}}^r [\varphi'(r)] = \frac{r_s}{2r^2}$$



$$\varphi_{\text{static}}(r) = \int dr \varphi'_{\text{static}}(r) + \mathcal{C}$$

local effects (I)

$$\varphi'(r) + J_{\text{NL}}^r [\varphi'(r)] = \frac{r_s}{2r^2}$$



$$\varphi_{\text{static}}(r) = \int dr \varphi'_{\text{static}}(r) + \mathcal{C}$$

$$\varphi_{\text{approx}}(t, r) = \int dr \varphi'_{\text{static}}(r) + \dot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}}(t_0)t$$

small corrections due to additional small constant
in the equation and due to the curvature

local effects (II)

$$\nabla_{\mu} (\nabla^{\mu} \varphi + J_{\text{NL}}^{\mu}) = -\alpha(\varphi) M_{\text{P}}^{-2} T^{(\text{m})}$$

$$\varphi_{\text{cosm}}(t) = \varphi_{\text{cosm}}(t_0) + \dot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}}(t_0) t.$$

local effects (II)

$$\nabla_{\mu} (\nabla^{\mu} \varphi + J_{\text{NL}}^{\mu}) = -\alpha(\varphi) M_{\text{P}}^{-2} T^{(\text{m})}$$

$$\varphi_{\text{cosm}}(t) = \varphi_{\text{cosm}}(t_0) + \dot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}}(t_0) t.$$

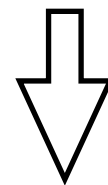
$$\varphi(t, r) = \varphi(r) + \dot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}}(t_0) t + \varphi_{\text{cosm}}(t_0)$$

local effects (II)

$$\nabla_\mu (\nabla^\mu \varphi + J_{\text{NL}}^\mu) = -\alpha(\varphi) M_{\text{P}}^{-2} T^{(\text{m})}$$

$$\varphi_{\text{cosm}}(t) = \varphi_{\text{cosm}}(t_0) + \dot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}}(t_0) t.$$

$$\varphi(t, r) = \varphi(r) + \dot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}}(t_0) t + \varphi_{\text{cosm}}(t_0)$$



second order ODE on $\varphi(r)$

$$\varphi(r = \infty) = 0$$

$$\varphi'(r = 0) = 0$$

$\dot{\varphi}(t, r)$ is set by the cosmological evolution even inside the regions where the Vainshtein screening operates.

variation of the Newton constant

variation of the scalar field $\Rightarrow$ variation of the Newton constant

Einstein frame $\rightarrow$ Jordan frame

variation of the Newton constant

variation of the scalar field $\Rightarrow$ variation of the Newton constant

Einstein frame $\rightarrow$ Jordan frame

In general two effects:

exchange of the scalar degree of freedom and
rescaling of the coordinates due to the conformal transformation of the metric.

variation of the Newton constant

variation of the scalar field $\Rightarrow$ variation of the Newton constant

Einstein frame $\rightarrow$ Jordan frame

In general two effects:

~~exchange of the scalar degree of freedom and~~
rescaling of the coordinates due to the conformal transformation of the metric.

variation of the Newton constant

variation of the scalar field $\Rightarrow$ variation of the Newton constant

Einstein frame $\rightarrow$ Jordan frame

In general two effects:

~~exchange of the scalar degree of freedom and~~
rescaling of the coordinates due to the conformal transformation of the metric.

$$|\dot{G}/G| \approx 2\alpha\dot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}}(t)$$

variation of the Newton constant

variation of the scalar field $\Rightarrow$ variation of the Newton constant

Einstein frame $\rightarrow$ Jordan frame

In general two effects:

~~exchange of the scalar degree of freedom and~~
rescaling of the coordinates due to the conformal transformation of the metric.

$$|\dot{G}/G| \approx 2\alpha\dot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}}(t)$$

$$|\dot{G}/G| \sim \alpha^2 H_0 \quad \text{matter dominated era}$$

$$|\dot{G}/G| \sim \alpha H_0 \quad \text{scalar field domination}$$

variation of the Newton constant

variation of the scalar field $\Rightarrow$ variation of the Newton constant

Einstein frame $\rightarrow$ Jordan frame

In general two effects:

~~exchange of the scalar degree of freedom and~~
rescaling of the coordinates due to the conformal transformation of the metric.

$$|\dot{G}/G| \approx 2\alpha\dot{\varphi}_{\text{cosm}}(t)$$

$$|\dot{G}/G| \sim \alpha^2 H_0 \quad \text{matter dominated era}$$

$$|\dot{G}/G| \sim \alpha H_0 \quad \text{scalar field domination}$$

Experiment (Lunar Laser Ranging): $|\dot{G}/G| < 0.02H_0$

ways out?

ways out?

within the assumptions (unrealistic):

1. The ODE left over after the stationary ansatz does not have a solution;
2. The solution exists but it is unstable: evolves to another solution

ways out?

within the assumptions (unrealistic):

1. The ODE left over after the stationary ansatz does not have a solution;
2. The solution exists but it is unstable: evolves to another solution

violate one of the assumptions:

1. break shift symmetry, for example add a mass term

$$m^2\varphi^2 \rightarrow \dot{\varphi}_{min} \sim \alpha H \dot{H} / m^2$$

2. Particular disformal coupling, e.g. TeVeS: no evolution of Newton's constant

a note about brane models

DGP model

equivalent to a scalar-tensor theory of the Galileon type in UV
(in particular in the decoupling limit),

BUT

not fully described by such a theory at cosmological scales
(IR limit).

No variation of the Newton constant is found in DGP! [Lue&Starkman '03](#)

conclusion

- ✦ shift-symmetric non-minimally coupled theories are tightly constrained (ruled out?)