

Path integral measure & the RG equations of pure gravity

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One-loop effective action

- Euclidean Einstein-Hilbert truncation

Cosmological framework: $l \gg M_p^{-1}$

$$S_{\text{grav}} = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \sqrt{g} (-R + 2\Lambda_{\text{cc}}) \rightarrow S_{\text{grav}}^{(a)} = \frac{\pi\Lambda_{\text{cc}}}{3G} a^4 - \frac{2\pi}{G} a^2$$

- Gauge-invariant one-loop Vilkovisky-DeWitt effective action

$$\Gamma_{\text{grav}}^{1l} = S_{\text{grav}} + \delta S_{\text{grav}}^{1l}.$$

- Measure $[\mathcal{D}u(h)\mathcal{D}v_\rho^* \mathcal{D}v_\sigma]$

Fradkin - Vilkovisky

$$[\mathcal{D}u(h)\mathcal{D}v_\rho^* \mathcal{D}v_\sigma] \equiv \prod_x \left[\underbrace{g^{(a)00}(x) (g^{(a)}(x))^{-1}}_{\alpha a^{-10}} \left(\prod_{\alpha \leq \beta} dh_{\alpha\beta}(x) \right) \left(\prod_\rho dv_\rho^*(x) \right) \left(\prod_\sigma dv_\sigma(x) \right) \right]$$

$g^{(a)00}(x) (g^{(a)}(x))^{-1}$ from integration over conjugate momenta

$$\delta S_{\text{grav}}^{1l} = -\frac{1}{2} \log \frac{\det_1[-\square_{a=1}^{(1)} - 3] \det_2[-\square_{a=1}^{(0)} - 6]}{\det_0[-\square_{a=1}^{(2)} - 2a^2\Lambda_{\text{cc}} + 8] \det_2[-\square_{a=1}^{(0)} - 2a^2\Lambda_{\text{cc}}]}$$

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Dimensionless arguments



No need to introduce any arbitrary mass scale μ , det **automatically** dimensionless

Eigenvalues $\lambda_n^{(s)}$ and degeneracies $D_n^{(s)}$

$$\lambda_n^{(s)} = n^2 + 3n - s \quad ; \quad D_n^{(s)} = \frac{2s+1}{3} \left(n + \frac{3}{2}\right)^3 - \frac{(2s+1)^3}{12} \left(n + \frac{3}{2}\right)$$

$n = s, s+1, \dots$

- Two methods: direct cut on sum over eigenvalues, proper time ... **same result**

$$\begin{aligned} \delta S_{\text{grav}}^{1/} = & - \left(\Lambda_{\text{cc}}^2 \log N^2 \right) a^4 + \Lambda_{\text{cc}} \left(-N^2 + 8 \log N^2 \right) a^2 \\ & - \frac{N^4}{12} + \frac{17}{3} N^2 - \frac{1859}{90} \log N^2 + \mathcal{O}(N^{-2}) \end{aligned}$$

$N \gg 1$ numerical cut on the number of eigenvalues

Connection to physical cutoff scale Λ_{cut} :

$$\Lambda_{\text{cut}}(\sim M_P) = \frac{N}{a_{\text{ds}}} = N \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda_{\text{cc}}}{3}}$$

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$$\frac{\Lambda_{\text{cc}}^{1/}}{G^{1/}} = \frac{\Lambda_{\text{cc}}}{G} \left(1 - \frac{3G\Lambda_{\text{cc}}}{\pi} \log \frac{3\tilde{\Lambda}^2}{\Lambda_{\text{cc}}} \right) + \text{finite}$$

$$\frac{1}{G^{1/}} = \frac{1}{G} \left[1 + \frac{G}{2\pi} \left(3\tilde{\Lambda}^2 - 8\Lambda_{\text{cc}} \log \frac{3\tilde{\Lambda}^2}{\Lambda_{\text{cc}}} \right) \right] + \text{finite}$$

- Taking $G \sim M_P^{-2} \rightarrow G \sim G^{1/} \sim \frac{1}{M_P^2}$: No naturalness problem with renorm. of G
- **Most importantly:** *only* logarithmic corrections to $\rho = \frac{\Lambda_{\text{cc}}}{8\pi G}$

In pure gravity **no naturalness problem arises**

We may **naturally** have $\Lambda_{\text{cc}} \ll M_P^2 \rightarrow \Lambda_{\text{cc}}^{1/} \sim \Lambda_{\text{cc}}$

Usual result re-obtained if one connects N and Λ_{cut} through: $\Lambda_{\text{cut}} = \frac{N}{a}$
 i.e. cut imposed as $\sim n^2/a^2 \leq \Lambda_{\text{cut}}^2$

NOT THE SAME

Wilsonian RG equations

We again use two methods

- Direct sum over eigenvalues
- Proper time

Method 1: Sum over eigenvalues

$$S_{\text{grav}}^{\text{UV}}[g_{\mu\nu}] \equiv S_N[g_{\mu\nu}] = \frac{1}{16\pi G_N} \int d^4x \sqrt{g} (-R + 2\Lambda_N) \quad (N \text{ integer})$$

As before: physical cutoff $\Lambda_{\text{cut}} (\sim M_P) = N/a_{\text{ds}}$

- Wilsonian action: $S_L[g_{\mu\nu}^{(a)}]$ (L integer, $L < N$; $\delta L \ll L$)

$$\text{RG equation:} \quad S_{L-\delta L}[g_{\mu\nu}^{(a)}] = S_L[g_{\mu\nu}^{(a)}] + \delta S_L \equiv S_L[g_{\mu\nu}^{(a)}] + \sum_{n=L-\delta L}^L f_L(n)$$

- Einstein-Hilbert truncation ($S_L[g_{\mu\nu}^{(a)}] = \frac{\pi\Lambda_L}{3G_L} a^4 - \frac{2\pi}{G_L} a^2$)

$$\delta S_L = -\frac{1}{2} \log \frac{\det_1[-\square_{a=1}^{(1)} - 3] \det_2[-\square_{a=1}^{(0)} - 6]}{\det_0[-\square_{a=1}^{(2)} - 2a^2\Lambda_L + 8] \det_2[-\square_{a=1}^{(0)} - 2a^2\Lambda_L]}$$

$$f_L = D_n^{(2)} \log(\lambda_n^{(2)} - 2a^2\Lambda_L + 8) + D_n^{(0)} \log(\lambda_n^{(0)} - 2a^2\Lambda_L) - D_n^{(1)} \log(\lambda_n^{(1)} - 3) - D_n^{(0)} \log(\lambda_n^{(0)} - 6)$$

- Differential form: $\frac{\partial}{\partial L} S_L = - \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial L} \sum_{n=2}^L f_L(n) \right)_{\Lambda_L, G_L}$

Method 2: Proper time

- Writing the determinants as

$$\det_i(-\square_{a=1}^{(s)} - \alpha) = e^{-\int_{1/L^2}^{+\infty} \frac{d\tau}{\tau} \mathbb{K}_i^{(s)}(\tau)} \quad ; \quad \mathbb{K}_i^{(s)}(\tau) = \sum_{n=s+i}^{+\infty} D_n^{(s)} e^{-\tau(\lambda_n^{(s)} - \alpha)}$$

- Deriving w.r.t. L we get the proper-time Wilsonian RG equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial L} S_L = - \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial L} \delta S_{\text{pt}} \right)_{\Lambda_L, G_L}$$

→ **same result** as the one obtained with direct sum ←

Expanding the r.h.s. for $L \gg 1$ any of the two

$$L \frac{\partial}{\partial L} S_L = 2\Lambda_L^2 a^4 + 2\Lambda_L (L^2 - 8) a^2 + \frac{L^4}{3} - \frac{34L^2}{3} + \frac{1859}{45} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{L^2}\right)$$

↓

$$L \frac{\partial}{\partial L} \left(\frac{\Lambda_L}{G_L} \right) = \frac{6}{\pi} \Lambda_L^2$$

$$L \frac{\partial}{\partial L} \left(\frac{1}{G_L} \right) = -\frac{\Lambda_L}{\pi} (L^2 - 8)$$

⇔

$$L \frac{\partial \Lambda_L}{\partial L} = \frac{G_L \Lambda_L^2}{\pi} (L^2 - 2)$$

$$L \frac{\partial G_L}{\partial L} = \frac{G_L^2 \Lambda_L}{\pi} (L^2 - 8)$$

Solutions to the RG equations

$$(\Lambda_{cc} \equiv \Lambda_N ; G \equiv G_N)$$

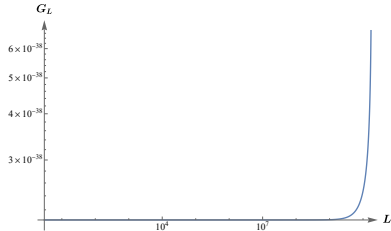
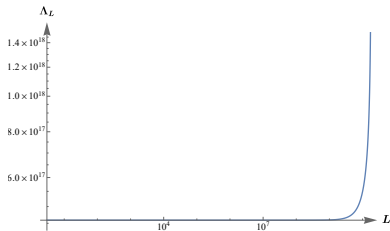
$$\Lambda_L = \frac{\Lambda_{cc}}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{G \Lambda_{cc}}{\pi} (N^2 - L^2)}}$$

$$G_L = \frac{G}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{G \Lambda_{cc}}{\pi} (N^2 - L^2)}}$$

$$\Lambda_{cut} = \frac{N}{\sqrt{3}} \Lambda_{cc}^{1/2}$$

$$\Lambda_L = \frac{\Lambda_{cc}}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{G}{\pi} (3\Lambda_{cut}^2 - \Lambda_{cc} L^2)}}$$

$$G_L = \frac{G}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{G}{\pi} (3\Lambda_{cut}^2 - \Lambda_{cc} L^2)}}$$



$$\frac{\Lambda_3}{\Lambda_{cc}} = \frac{G_3}{G} \sim 0.31$$

$$\frac{\Lambda_L}{\Lambda_{cc}} = \frac{G_L}{G} \text{ at this order}$$

Solutions to the RG equations - 2

$$\Lambda_L = \frac{\Lambda_{\text{cc}}}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{G}{\pi}(3\Lambda_{\text{cut}}^2 - \Lambda_{\text{cc}}L^2)}}$$

$$G_L = \frac{G}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{G}{\pi}(3\Lambda_{\text{cut}}^2 - \Lambda_{\text{cc}}L^2)}}$$

$$\Lambda_{\text{IR}} = \frac{\Lambda_{\text{cc}}}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{3G}{\pi}(\Lambda_{\text{cut}}^2 - 3\Lambda_{\text{cc}})}}$$

$$G_{\text{IR}} = \frac{G}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{3G}{\pi}(\Lambda_{\text{cut}}^2 - 3\Lambda_{\text{cc}})}}$$

The above equations for Λ_{IR} and G_{IR} contain important messages

- Sign of couplings is fixed
- Taking for G the **natural value** $G \sim M_P^{-2}$ ¹

For \sim any value of Λ_{cc} , including $\Lambda_{\text{cc}} \sim \Lambda_{\text{cut}}^2$

$$G \sim G_{\text{IR}} \sim M_P^{-2}, \quad \Lambda_{\text{IR}} \sim \Lambda_{\text{cc}}$$

No naturalness problem arises: the bare cosmological constant Λ_{cc} does *not* need (!) to be $\sim M_P^2$. We may **naturally** have

$$\Lambda_{\text{cc}} \ll M_P^2$$

¹Actually, for any value: $\Lambda_{\text{cut}}^2 - 3\Lambda_{\text{cc}}$ must be $\Lambda_{\text{cut}}^2 - 3\Lambda_{\text{cc}} \geq 0$

Solutions to the RG equations - 3

$$\Lambda_L = \frac{\Lambda_{cc}}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{G}{\pi}(3\Lambda_{cut}^2 - \Lambda_{cc}L^2)}}$$

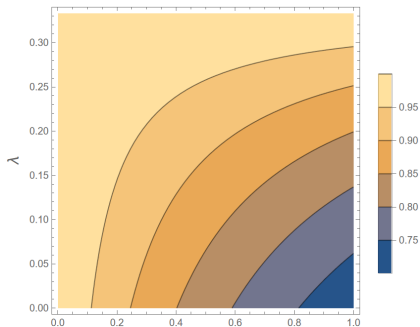
$$G_L = \frac{G}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{G}{\pi}(3\Lambda_{cut}^2 - \Lambda_{cc}L^2)}}$$

$$\Lambda_{IR} = \frac{\Lambda_{cc}}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{3G}{\pi}(\Lambda_{cut}^2 - 3\Lambda_{cc})}}$$

$$G_{IR} = \frac{G}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{3G}{\pi}(\Lambda_{cut}^2 - 3\Lambda_{cc})}}$$

$$\lambda = \Lambda_{cc}/\Lambda_{cut}^2, \quad g = G \cdot \Lambda_{cut}^2$$

$$\lambda_{IR}/\lambda = g_{IR}/g$$



RG equations in terms of the physical running scale k

$$L \frac{\partial \Lambda_L}{\partial L} = \frac{G_L \Lambda_L^2}{\pi} (L^2 - 2)$$

$$L \frac{\partial G_L}{\partial L} = \frac{G_L^2 \Lambda_L}{\pi} (L^2 - 8)$$

Similar to one-loop: $L \implies$ physical running scale k

$$k \equiv \frac{L}{a_L} = L \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda_L}{3}} \quad (k_{\text{IR}} \leq k \leq \Lambda_{\text{cut}} ; k_{\text{IR}} = (3\Lambda_3)^{1/2})$$

The RG equations become

$$k \frac{\partial \Lambda_k}{\partial k} = \frac{3G_k}{\pi} \frac{\Lambda_k (k^2 - \frac{2}{3}\Lambda_k)}{1 + \frac{3G_k}{2\pi} (k^2 - \frac{2}{3}\Lambda_k)}$$

$$k \frac{\partial G_k}{\partial k} = \frac{3G_k^2}{\pi} \frac{k^2 - \frac{8}{3}\Lambda_k}{1 + \frac{3G_k}{2\pi} (k^2 - \frac{2}{3}\Lambda_k)}$$

Solutions for G_k and Λ_k

(same as before in terms of k)

$$k \frac{\partial \Lambda_k}{\partial k} = \frac{3G_k}{\pi} \frac{\Lambda_k \left(k^2 - \frac{2}{3}\Lambda_k\right)}{1 + \frac{3G_k}{2\pi} \left(k^2 - \frac{2}{3}\Lambda_k\right)}$$

$$k \frac{\partial G_k}{\partial k} = \frac{3G_k^2}{\pi} \frac{k^2 - \frac{8}{3}\Lambda_k}{1 + \frac{3G_k}{2\pi} \left(k^2 - \frac{2}{3}\Lambda_k\right)}$$

$$\text{since } \frac{\Lambda_k}{k^2} = \frac{3}{L^2} \ll 1$$

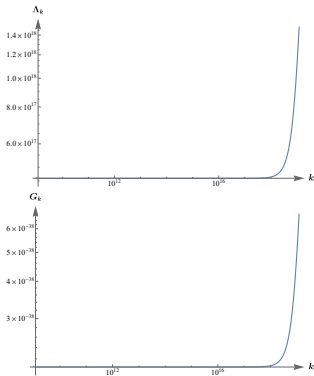
$$\implies$$

$$k \frac{\partial \Lambda_k}{\partial k} = \frac{3G_k}{\pi} \frac{k^2 \Lambda_k}{1 + \frac{3G_k}{2\pi} k^2}$$

$$k \frac{\partial G_k}{\partial k} = \frac{3G_k^2}{\pi} \frac{k^2}{1 + \frac{3G_k}{2\pi} k^2}$$

$$\Lambda_k = \frac{k^2 \Lambda_{\text{cut}}}{2 \left(\Lambda_{\text{cut}}^2 + \frac{\pi}{3G}\right)} \left[1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{4\pi}{3G} \left(\Lambda_{\text{cut}}^2 + \frac{\pi}{3G}\right) \frac{1}{k^4}} \right]$$

$$G_k = \frac{k^2 G}{2 \left(\Lambda_{\text{cut}}^2 + \frac{\pi}{3G}\right)} \left[1 + \sqrt{1 + \frac{4\pi}{3G} \left(\Lambda_{\text{cut}}^2 + \frac{\pi}{3G}\right) \frac{1}{k^4}} \right]$$



FIXED POINTS

Fixed points

$$t = \ln \frac{k}{k_0} \quad \lambda_t = \frac{\Lambda_k}{k^2} \quad g_t = k^2 G_k$$

$$\frac{\partial \lambda_t}{\partial t} = -2\lambda_t + \frac{3g_t}{\pi} \frac{\lambda_t \left(1 - \frac{2}{3}\lambda_t\right)}{1 + \frac{3g_t}{2\pi} \left(1 - \frac{2}{3}\lambda_t\right)}$$

$$\frac{\partial g_t}{\partial t} = 2g_t + \frac{3g_t^2}{\pi} \frac{1 - \frac{8}{3}\lambda_t}{1 + \frac{3g_t}{2\pi} \left(1 - \frac{2}{3}\lambda_t\right)}$$

Fixed points from

$$-2\lambda + \frac{3g}{\pi} \frac{\lambda \left(1 - \frac{2}{3}\lambda\right)}{1 + \frac{3g}{2\pi} \left(1 - \frac{2}{3}\lambda\right)} = 0$$

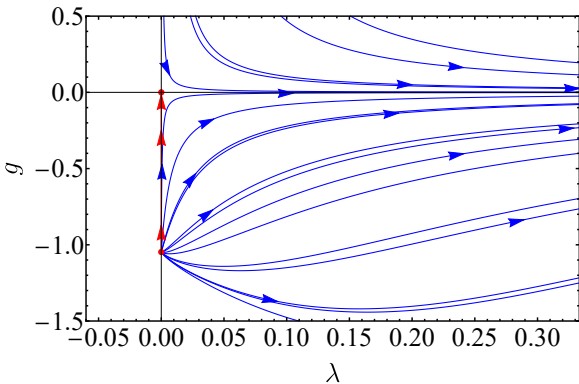
$$2g + \frac{3g^2}{\pi} \frac{1 - \frac{8}{3}\lambda}{1 + \frac{3g}{2\pi} \left(1 - \frac{2}{3}\lambda\right)} = 0$$

Fixed points

$$(\lambda, g)_1 = (0, 0)$$

$$(\lambda, g)_2 = (0, -\pi/3)$$

RG flows



$(\lambda, g)_1 = (0, 0)$ axes $\lambda = 0$, $g = 0$ UV-repulsive/attractive respectively

$(\lambda, g)_2 = (0, -\pi/3)$ **unphysical** UV-attractive fixed point

... We do not see any physical UV-attractive fixed point (AS) ...

What generates the AS behaviour?

Same starting point:
$$L \frac{\partial}{\partial L} S_L = 2\Lambda_L^2 a^4 + 2\Lambda_L (L^2 - 8) a^2 + \frac{L^4}{3} - \frac{34L^2}{3} + \frac{1859}{45}$$

Identify the running scale k as $k = L/a$ (rather than $k = L/\bar{a}_L$)

$$\rightarrow k \frac{\partial}{\partial k} S_k = \left[\frac{k^4}{3} + 2\Lambda_k (k^2 + \Lambda_k) \right] a^4 - \left(\frac{34k^2}{3} + 16\Lambda_k \right) a^2 + \frac{1859}{45}$$

↓

$$k \frac{\partial}{\partial k} \Lambda_k = \frac{G_k}{\pi} \left[k^4 + 6\Lambda_k (k^2 + \Lambda_k) - \Lambda_k \frac{34k^2 + 48\Lambda_k}{6} \right]$$

$$k \frac{\partial}{\partial k} G_k = -G_k^2 \frac{34k^2 + 48\Lambda_k}{6\pi}$$

$$\Lambda_L \equiv \Lambda_k, G_L \equiv G_k$$

What generates the AS behaviour? - 2

$$t = \ln \frac{k}{k_0} \quad \lambda_t = \frac{\Lambda_k}{k^2} \quad g_t = k^2 G_k$$

$$\frac{\partial \lambda_t}{\partial t} = -2\lambda_t + \frac{g_t}{\pi} \left[1 + 6\lambda_t(1 + \lambda_t) - \lambda_t \frac{34 + 48\lambda_t}{6} \right] \equiv \beta_\lambda(\lambda_t, g_t)$$

$$\frac{\partial g_t}{\partial t} = 2g_t - g_t^2 \frac{34 + 48\lambda_t}{6\pi} \equiv \beta_g(\lambda_t, g_t)$$

Fixed points from

$$-2\lambda + \frac{g}{\pi} \left[1 + 6\lambda(1 + \lambda) - \lambda \frac{34 + 48\lambda}{6} \right] = 0$$

$$2g - g^2 \frac{34 + 48\lambda}{6\pi} = 0$$

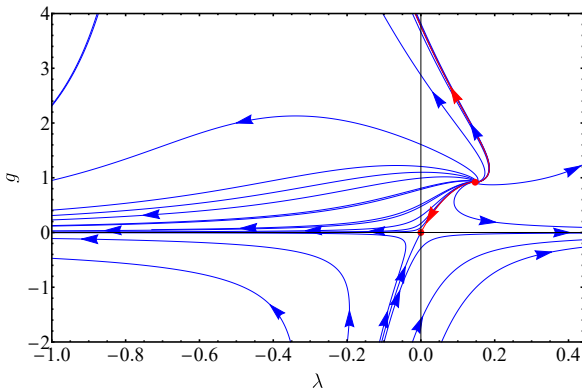
Fixed points

$$(\lambda, g)_1 = (0, 0)$$

$$(\lambda, g)_2 = \left(-\frac{8 - \sqrt{154}}{30}, \frac{2\pi}{23} (53 - 4\sqrt{154}) \right)$$

$$(\lambda, g)_3 = \left(-\frac{8 + \sqrt{154}}{30}, \frac{2\pi}{23} (53 + 4\sqrt{154}) \right)$$

What generates the AS behaviour? - 3



$$(\lambda, g)_1 = (0, 0)$$

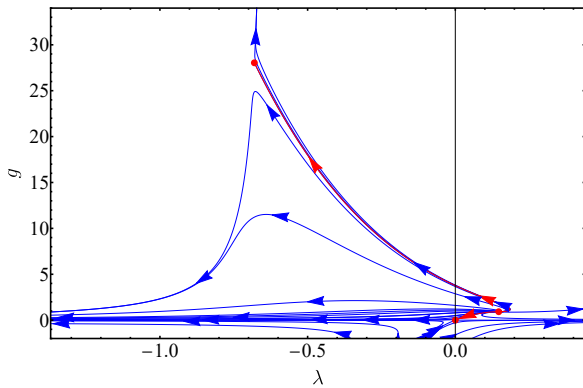
axes $g = 4\pi\lambda$, $g = 0$ UV-repulsive/attractive respectively

$$(\lambda, g)_2 = (0.147, 0.918)$$

UV-attractive fixed point (AS)

$$(\lambda, g)_3 = (-0.680, 28.039)$$

axes $g = -65.741\lambda$, $g = 627.551\lambda$ UV-repulsive/attractive respectively



Functional RG

$\Gamma_k[g, \bar{g}]$ **Effective Average Action** ; $\kappa \equiv (32\pi G)^{-1/2}$; $\bar{g}_{\mu\nu}$ fixed **background**

$$k \partial_k \Gamma_k[g, \bar{g}] = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \left[\left(\kappa^{-2} \Gamma_k^{(2)}[g, \bar{g}] + R_k^{\text{grav}}[\bar{g}] \right)^{-1} k \partial_k R_k^{\text{grav}}[\bar{g}] \right] \\ - \text{Tr} \left[\left(-\mathcal{M}[g, \bar{g}] + R_k^{\text{gh}}[\bar{g}] \right)^{-1} k \partial_k R_k^{\text{gh}}[\bar{g}] \right]$$

M. Reuter, C. Wetterich

$\mathcal{M}[g, \bar{g}]$ classical kinetic term of the **ghosts**

$$\mathcal{M}[g, \bar{g}]^\mu{}_\nu = \bar{g}^{\mu\rho} \bar{g}^{\sigma\lambda} \bar{D}_\lambda (g_{\rho\nu} D_\sigma + g_{\sigma\nu} D_\rho) - \bar{g}^{\rho\sigma} \bar{g}^{\mu\lambda} \bar{D}_\lambda g_{\sigma\nu} D_\rho$$

\bar{D}_μ **covariant derivative** ; Christoffel symbols from $\bar{g}_{\mu\nu}$

Choice: $\bar{g}_{\mu\nu}$ of **sphere radius a**. Regulators $R_k^{\text{grav}}[\bar{g}]$ and $R_k^{\text{gh}}[\bar{g}]$ have the form

$$R_k[\bar{g}] = \mathcal{Z}_k k^2 R^{(0)}(-\square/k^2) \quad , \quad \square \equiv \bar{g}^{\mu\nu} \bar{D}_\mu \bar{D}_\nu$$

Modes w/ $p^2 > k^2$: integrated out ; modes w/ $p^2 < k^2$: suppressed by R_k :
 \implies "Tr" effectively contains only eigenmodes of $-\square$ with eigenvalues

$$p^2 \sim \frac{n^2}{a^2} \sim k^2$$

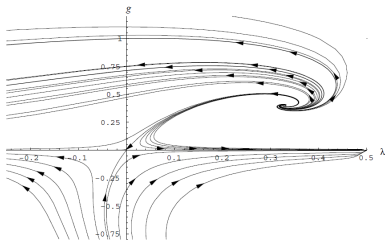
Eigenvalues are used as discriminant to introduce sliding scale k

RG flows from Wetterich/Reuter equation

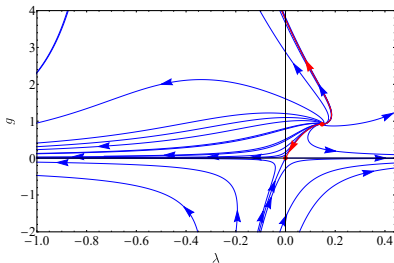
$$p^2 \sim \frac{n^2}{a^2} \sim k^2$$

Introduction of **running scale k** through eigenvalues $\lambda_n \sim \frac{n^2}{a^2}$

\Rightarrow **spurious k^4 terms** \Rightarrow **“AS flow”**



M.Reuter, Phys.Rev.D 57 (1998) 971-985



Our result with the identification $k = \frac{n}{a}$

M.Reuter and F.Saueressig, Phys.Rev.D 65 (2002) 065016

Conclusions

- Fradkin - Vilkovisky measure in the path integral → **dimless determinants**
- Cutoff / sliding cutoff scale imposed as a **cut on the number of modes**
- One-loop effective action / Wilsonian RG equations: **absence of quartic and quadratic contributions to ρ**
- Solutions to the RG equations are multiplicative: **no naturalness issue arises in pure gravity!**
- Renormalization pattern considerably different: **no physical UV-attractive fixed point**
- Quartic dependence & AS fixed point generated if we impose the cutoff as a cut on $\sim n^2/a^2$ rather than n ... **spurious powers of a**

... Is Gravity non-perturbatively renormalizable? ...

ADDITIONAL SLIDES

The case $\Lambda = 0$

$$L \frac{\partial}{\partial L} S_L = 2\Lambda_L^2 a^4 + 2\Lambda_L (L^2 - 8) a^2 + \frac{L^4}{3} - \frac{34L^2}{3} + \frac{1859}{45}$$

Using our equations with the identification $k = L/a$

$$\rightarrow k \frac{\partial}{\partial k} S_k = \left[\frac{k^4}{3} + 2\Lambda_k (k^2 + \Lambda_k) \right] a^4 - \left(\frac{34k^2}{3} + 16\Lambda_k \right) a^2 + \frac{1859}{45}$$

$$\frac{\partial g_t}{\partial t} = 2g_t - g_t^2 \frac{34}{6\pi} \quad \rightarrow \quad g^* = \frac{12\pi}{34} \quad \text{UV-attractive fixed point}$$

Match results in the literature

Souma

Generation of g^* : $2\Lambda_L L^2 a^2 \rightarrow 2\Lambda_k k^2 a^4$, $-34/3L^2 \rightarrow -34/3k^2 a^2$

Change sign of a^2 term!

$$\delta S_L = -\frac{1}{2} \log \frac{\det_1[-\square_{a=1}^{(1)} - 3] \det_2[-\square_{a=1}^{(0)} - 6]}{\det_0[-\square_{a=1}^{(2)} - 2a^2\Lambda_L + 8] \det_2[-\square_{a=1}^{(0)} - 2a^2\Lambda_L]}$$

When $\Lambda_L = 0 \rightarrow$ no powers of a in fluctuation determinants

Renormalization of G_L must be $\propto \Lambda_L$: g^* cannot exist

The case $\Lambda = 0$ Cont'd

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t \mathbf{g}_k = \beta_g &= [d - 2 + \eta(k)] \mathbf{g}_k, \\ \partial_t \lambda_k = \beta_\lambda &= -(2 - \eta) \lambda_k + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{g}_k (4\pi)^{1-d/2} \left\{ 2d(d+1) \Phi_{d/2}^1(-2\lambda_k) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - d(d+1) \eta(k) \tilde{\Phi}_{d/2}^1(-2\lambda_k) - 8d \Phi_{d/2}^1(0) \right\}.\end{aligned}$$

Souma

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \lambda_t}{\partial t} &= -2\lambda_t + \frac{\mathbf{g}_t}{\pi} \left[1 + 6\lambda_t(1 + \lambda_t) - \lambda_t \frac{34 + 48\lambda_t}{6} \right] \equiv \beta_\lambda(\lambda_t, \mathbf{g}_t) \\ \frac{\partial \mathbf{g}_t}{\partial t} &= 2\mathbf{g}_t - \mathbf{g}_t^2 \frac{34 + 48\lambda_t}{6\pi} \equiv \beta_g(\lambda_t, \mathbf{g}_t)\end{aligned}$$

Our equations with the identification $k = L/a$

λ is generated ... inconsistent to study g equation alone

Comparison with Becker-Reuter, PRD 102 (2020) 12 - PRD 104 (2021) 12

and Ferrero-Percacci, e-Print: 2404.12357

Consider the **modified Einstein equation** at one-loop

Becker, Reuter PRD 104 (2021) 12

$$\frac{3G}{\pi} a \frac{d}{da} \Gamma_{\text{grav}}^{1/}(a) = 4\Lambda_{\text{cc}} a^4 - 12a^2 + \frac{3G}{\pi} a \frac{d}{da} \delta S_{\text{grav}}^{1/}(a) = 0 \quad (g_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu}^{(a)})$$

* **BRST-invariant Fujikawa measure** (or measure not fully considered)

$$[\mathcal{D}u(h)\mathcal{D}v_{\rho}^* \mathcal{D}v_{\sigma}] \equiv \prod_x \left[\underbrace{(g^{(a)}(x))^{-2}}_{\propto a^{-16}} \left(\prod_{\alpha \leq \beta} dh_{\alpha\beta}(x) \right) \left(\prod_{\rho} dv_{\rho}^*(x) \right) \left(\prod_{\sigma} dv_{\sigma}(x) \right) \right]$$

$$\implies \delta S_{\text{grav}}^{1/}(a) \sim N^4 \log(a\mu) \implies \text{solution } \bar{a}_N \sim N \sqrt{M_{\rho}^{-1} \Lambda_{\text{cc}}^{-1}}$$

* **Fradkin-Vilkovisky measure**

$$[\mathcal{D}u(h)\mathcal{D}v_{\rho}^* \mathcal{D}v_{\sigma}] \equiv \prod_x \left[\underbrace{g^{(a)00}(x) (g^{(a)}(x))^{-1}}_{\propto a^{-10}} \left(\prod_{\alpha \leq \beta} dh_{\alpha\beta}(x) \right) \left(\prod_{\rho} dv_{\rho}^*(x) \right) \left(\prod_{\sigma} dv_{\sigma}(x) \right) \right]$$

$$\implies \delta S_{\text{grav}}^{1/}(a) \text{ does not contain } N^4 \log(a\mu) \implies \text{NO } \bar{a}_N \text{ solution}$$

Similar considerations apply to the results found in Becker-Reuter, PRD 102 (2020) 12, and Ferrero-Percacci, e-Print: 2404.12357

Why Fradkin-Vilkovisky measure?

Free real, massless scalar field ϕ in grav. background $g_{\mu\nu} = (1 + h(x)) \eta_{\mu\nu}$

$$\sqrt{-g}\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} (1 + h(x)) \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi \quad (\text{Donoghue, PRD 104 (2021) 4})$$

Of the kind

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\delta^{ab} + \bar{G}^{ab}(\pi) \right] \partial_\mu \pi^a \partial^\mu \pi^b \quad (\text{Gerstein, Jackiw, Lee and Weinberg, "Chiral loops", PRD 3, 2486 (1971)})$$

* **Canonical quantization** (using GJLW result)

- $\mathcal{H}_1 = -\frac{1}{2} h(x) \partial_\mu \tilde{\phi} \partial^\mu \tilde{\phi} + \frac{1}{2} \partial_0 \tilde{\phi} \left[\frac{h^2}{1+h} \right] \partial_0 \tilde{\phi} \oplus$ non-std prop. $\Delta_{\mu\nu}(q) = \frac{iq_\mu q_\nu}{q^2 + i\epsilon} - i\eta_{\mu 0} \eta_{\nu 0}$
- $\mathcal{H}_1 = -\frac{1}{2} h(x) \partial_\mu \tilde{\phi} \partial^\mu \tilde{\phi} + \frac{i}{2} \delta^{(4)}(0) \log(1 + h(x)) \oplus$ std Feynman rules

* **Functional methods** (Honerkamp and Meetz, "Chiral-invariant perturbation theory", PRD 3, 1996 (1971))

path integral measure from integration over conjugate momenta

$$\mathcal{D}u(\phi) = \prod_x (1 + h(x))^{1/2} d\phi(x) \iff \Delta\mathcal{L} = -\frac{i}{2} \delta^{(4)}(0) \log(1 + h(x))$$

same as that in canonical quantization

Why Fadkin-Vilkovisky measure? Cont'd

For generic metric $g_{\mu\nu}$

(Donoghue, PRD 104 (2021) 4)

$$\mathcal{D}u(\phi) = \prod_x (-\det g_{\mu\nu}(x))^{1/8} d\phi(x)$$

Measure we use (from **integration over conjugate momenta**)

(Fradkin-Vilkovisky, Unz)

$$\mathcal{D}u(\phi) = \prod_x \left[(g^{00}(x))^{1/2} (-\det g_{\mu\nu}(x))^{1/4} d\phi(x) \right]$$

Fujikawa measure

$$\mathcal{D}u(\phi) = \prod_x \left[(-\det g_{\mu\nu}(x))^{1/4} d\phi(x) \right]$$

* $g_{\mu\nu} = (1 + h(x)) \eta_{\mu\nu} \Rightarrow (-\det g_{\mu\nu}(x))^{1/8} = (g^{00}(x))^{1/2} (-\det g_{\mu\nu}(x))^{1/4} = (1 + h(x))^{1/2}$
 $(-\det g_{\mu\nu}(x))^{1/4} = 1 + h(x)$ **DIFFERENT!**

* Sphere $g_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu}^{(a)} \Rightarrow (-\det g_{\mu\nu}^{(a)}(x))^{1/8}$ and $(g^{(a)00}(x))^{1/2} (-\det g_{\mu\nu}^{(a)}(x))^{1/4}$ both $\sim a$
 $(-\det g_{\mu\nu}(x))^{1/4} \sim a^2$

Sum over the eigenvalues in closed form

$$\begin{aligned}
 F(a^2\Lambda) = & 9\Lambda a^2 - \frac{1}{6}\Lambda\sqrt{8\Lambda a^2 + 9}\log\Gamma\left(\frac{7}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{8\Lambda a^2 + 9}\right) a^2 - 5\Lambda\psi^{(-2)}\left(\frac{1}{2}\left(\sqrt{8a^2\Lambda - 15} + 7\right)\right) a^2 \\
 & - 5\Lambda\psi^{(-2)}\left(\frac{7}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{8a^2\Lambda - 15}\right) a^2 - \Lambda\psi^{(-2)}\left(\frac{1}{2}\left(\sqrt{8\Lambda a^2 + 9} + 7\right)\right) a^2 \\
 & - \Lambda\psi^{(-2)}\left(\frac{7}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{8\Lambda a^2 + 9}\right) a^2 + \frac{1}{6}\Lambda\log\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\left(\sqrt{8\Lambda a^2 + 9} + 7\right)\right) \sqrt{8\Lambda a^2 + 9}a^2 \\
 & - 5\log(120) + \frac{49\log(A)}{3} - 2\sqrt{\frac{11}{3}}\log\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\left(\sqrt{33} + 7\right)\right) \\
 & - \frac{5}{6}\left(a^2\Lambda - 5\right)\sqrt{8a^2\Lambda - 15}\log\Gamma\left(\frac{7}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{8a^2\Lambda - 15}\right) \\
 & - \frac{1}{6}\sqrt{8\Lambda a^2 + 9}\log\Gamma\left(\frac{7}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{8\Lambda a^2 + 9}\right) + 3\psi^{(-4)}(1) + 3\psi^{(-4)}(6) + \psi^{(-4)}\left(\frac{7}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{33}}{2}\right) \\
 & + \psi^{(-4)}\left(\frac{1}{2}\left(\sqrt{33} + 7\right)\right) - 5\psi^{(-4)}\left(\frac{1}{2}\left(\sqrt{8a^2\Lambda - 15} + 7\right)\right) - 5\psi^{(-4)}\left(\frac{7}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{8a^2\Lambda - 15}\right) \\
 & - \psi^{(-4)}\left(\frac{1}{2}\left(\sqrt{8\Lambda a^2 + 9} + 7\right)\right) - \psi^{(-4)}\left(\frac{7}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{8\Lambda a^2 + 9}\right) + \frac{15\psi^{(-3)}(1)}{2} - \frac{15\psi^{(-3)}(6)}{2} \\
 & - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{33}\psi^{(-3)}\left(\frac{1}{2}\left(\sqrt{33} + 7\right)\right) - \frac{5}{2}\sqrt{8a^2\Lambda - 15}\psi^{(-3)}\left(\frac{7}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{8a^2\Lambda - 15}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{8\Lambda a^2+9}\psi^{(-3)}\left(\frac{7}{2}-\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{8\Lambda a^2+9}\right)+\frac{33\psi^{(-2)}(1)}{4}+\frac{33\psi^{(-2)}(6)}{4} \\
& +\frac{49}{12}\psi^{(-2)}\left(\frac{7}{2}-\frac{\sqrt{33}}{2}\right)+\frac{49}{12}\psi^{(-2)}\left(\frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{33}+7)\right)+\frac{175}{12}\psi^{(-2)}\left(\frac{1}{2}\left(\sqrt{8a^2\Lambda-15}+7\right)\right) \\
& +\frac{175}{12}\psi^{(-2)}\left(\frac{7}{2}-\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{8a^2\Lambda-15}\right)-\frac{13}{12}\psi^{(-2)}\left(\frac{1}{2}\left(\sqrt{8\Lambda a^2+9}+7\right)\right) \\
& -\frac{13}{12}\psi^{(-2)}\left(\frac{7}{2}-\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{8\Lambda a^2+9}\right)+\frac{1}{2}\psi^{(-3)}\left(\frac{7}{2}-\frac{\sqrt{33}}{2}\right)\sqrt{33}+2\log\Gamma\left(\frac{7}{2}-\frac{\sqrt{33}}{2}\right)\sqrt{\frac{11}{3}} \\
& +\frac{5}{6}(a^2\Lambda-5)\log\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\left(\sqrt{8a^2\Lambda-15}+7\right)\right)\sqrt{8a^2\Lambda-15} \\
& +\frac{5}{2}\psi^{(-3)}\left(\frac{1}{2}\left(\sqrt{8a^2\Lambda-15}+7\right)\right)\sqrt{8a^2\Lambda-15} \\
& +\frac{1}{6}\log\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\left(\sqrt{8\Lambda a^2+9}+7\right)\right)\sqrt{8\Lambda a^2+9} \\
& +\frac{1}{2}\psi^{(-3)}\left(\frac{1}{2}\left(\sqrt{8\Lambda a^2+9}+7\right)\right)\sqrt{8\Lambda a^2+9}+\frac{7\zeta(3)}{4\pi^2}-\frac{2}{3}\zeta'(-3)-\frac{20801}{1080}
\end{aligned}$$

$$g_{\mu\nu}^{(a)} = \begin{pmatrix} a^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a^2 \sin^2 \theta_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a^2 \sin^2 \theta_1 \sin^2 \theta_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & a^2 \sin^2 \theta_1 \sin^2 \theta_2 \sin^2 \theta_3 \end{pmatrix}$$