

# Derivative interactions in dRGT massive gravity

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# Motivation

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Can we construct healthy and consistent massive gravity?

# “Linear” massive gravity

- *Fierz-Pauli massive gravity* (Fierz, Pauli, 1939)

$$S = M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \int d^4x \left[ \underbrace{-\frac{1}{2} h^{\mu\nu} \mathcal{E}_{\mu\nu}^{\alpha\beta} h_{\alpha\beta}}_{\text{Linearized Einstein-Hilbert term}} \underbrace{-\frac{1}{4} m^2 (h_{\mu\nu} h^{\mu\nu} - h^2)}_{\text{Only allowed mass term which does not have ghost at linear order}} \right]$$

*Linearized Einstein-Hilbert term*      *Only allowed mass term which does not have ghost at linear order*

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{\mu\nu}^{\alpha\beta} h_{\alpha\beta} = -\frac{1}{2} (\Box h_{\mu\nu} - \partial_\mu \partial_\alpha h_\nu^\alpha - \partial_\nu \partial_\alpha h_\mu^\alpha + \partial_\mu \partial_\nu h_\alpha^\alpha - \eta_{\mu\nu} \Box h_\alpha^\alpha + \eta_{\mu\nu} \partial_\alpha \partial_\beta h_\beta^\alpha)$$

- (1) *Linear theory*
- (2) *Lorentz invariant theory, but gauge invariance is broken*
- (3) *No ghost at linear order*  
(5 DOF=massless tensor+massless vector+massless scalar)
- (4) *Simple nonlinear extension contains ghost at nonlinear level*  
(Boulware-Deser ghost, 6th DOF) (Boulware, Deser, 1971)

# 1st version of nonlinear massive gravity

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- *Stuckelberg field* Arkani-Hamed, Georgi, Schwartz (2003)

$$\boxed{f_{\mu\nu}} = \eta_{ab} \partial_\mu \phi^a \partial_\nu \phi^b \quad \phi^a \text{ are four scalar fields}$$

*Covariant tensor*

$$\text{Unitary gauge} \quad \phi^a = x^a \rightarrow f_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\text{Poincare symmetry} \quad \phi^a \rightarrow \phi^a + c^a, \quad \phi^a \rightarrow \Lambda_b^a \phi^b$$

- Define new *covariant* fluctuation tensor

$$H_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} - f_{\mu\nu}$$

- *Covariant form of non-linear FP action*

$$S = \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ R - \frac{1}{4} m^2 g^{\mu\alpha} g^{\nu\beta} (H_{\mu\nu} H_{\alpha\beta} - H_{\mu\alpha} H_{\nu\beta}) \right]$$

# Decoupling limit



Creminelli et.al. (2005)

- Expand Stuckelberg field around unitary gauge

$$\phi^a = (x^\alpha - A^\alpha)\delta_\alpha^a, \quad A^\alpha \rightarrow A^\alpha + \partial^\alpha \pi$$

*Thanks to Poincare symmetry in field space, we can decompose  $\phi$  into scalar and vector*

- Non-linear leading action within decoupling limit,

$$m \rightarrow 0, \quad M_{\text{Pl}} \rightarrow \infty, \quad T \rightarrow \infty, \quad \Lambda_5 \text{ and } \frac{T}{M_{\text{Pl}}} \text{ are fixed}$$

$$S_h = \int d^4x \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \hat{h}^{\mu\nu} \mathcal{E}_{\mu\nu}^{\alpha\beta} \hat{h}_{\alpha\beta} + \frac{1}{M_{\text{Pl}}} \hat{h}_{\mu\nu} T^{\mu\nu} \right]$$

$$S_A = \int d^4x \left[ -\frac{1}{2} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \right] \text{ does not couple with EM tensor}$$

$$S_\pi = \int d^4x \left[ -3(\partial\hat{\pi})^2 + \frac{1}{\Lambda_5^5} \{ (\Box\hat{\pi})^3 - (\Box\hat{\pi})(\partial_\mu\partial_\nu\hat{\pi})^2 \} + \frac{1}{M_{\text{Pl}}} \hat{\pi} T \right]$$

*Higher derivative Lagrangian, not galileon*

$$h_{\mu\nu} = \hat{h}_{\mu\nu} + \hat{\pi}\eta_{\mu\nu}$$

*6th DOF appears in theory  $\rightarrow$  BD ghost*

$$\Lambda_5 = (M_{\text{Pl}} m^4)^{1/5}$$

(Boulware, Deser, 1972)

# Adding higher-order potential terms

de Rham, Gabadadze (2010)

- *Action*

$$S = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ R - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4} m^2 U_n(g, H) \right]$$

$$U_2(g, H) = b_1 [H^2] + b_2 [H]^2$$

$$U_3(g, H) = c_1 [H^3] + c_2 [H][H^2] + c_3 [H^3]$$

$$U_4(g, H) = d_1 [H^4] + d_2 [H][H^3] + d_3 [H^2][H^2] + d_4 [H]^2 [H^2] + d_5 [H]^4$$

$$U_5(g, H) = f_1 [H^5] + f_2 [H][H^4] + f_3 [H]^2 [H^3] + f_4 [H^2][H^3] \\ + f_5 [H][H^2]^2 + f_6 [H]^3 [H^2] + f_7 [H]^5$$

$$U_6(g, H) = \dots$$

*Fierz-Pauli tuning*

$$b_1 = -b_2$$

$$[H] = g^{\mu\nu} H_{\mu\nu}$$

$$[H^2] = g^{\mu\nu} g^{\alpha\beta} H_{\mu\alpha} H_{\nu\beta}$$

$$[H^3] = \dots$$

# Eliminating 6th DOF

de Rham, Gabadadze (2010)

- *Non-linear Lagrangian*

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu \partial_\nu \hat{\pi}$$

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu}^2 = \partial_\mu \partial^\alpha \hat{\pi} \partial_\nu \partial_\alpha \hat{\pi}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\Pi^2} = [\Pi]^2 - [\Pi^2]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\Pi^3} = -\frac{1}{4\Lambda_5^5} \left( (8c_1 - 4)[\Pi^3] + (8c_2 + 4)[\Pi][\Pi^2] + 8c_3[\Pi]^3 \right)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\Pi^4} = \frac{1}{\Lambda_4^8} \left\{ \left( 3c_1 - 4d_1 - \frac{1}{4} \right) [\Pi^4] + \left( c_2 - 4d_3 + \frac{1}{4} \right) [\Pi^2]^2 \right. \\ \left. + (2c_2 - 4d_2)[\Pi][\Pi^3] + (3c_3 - 4d_4)[\Pi^2][\Pi]^2 - 4d_5[\Pi]^4 \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\Pi^5} = \dots$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{der}}^{(2)} = [\Pi]^2 - [\Pi^2]$$

*This yields the higher order derivative  
(the origin of BD ghost)*

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{der}}^{(3)} = 2[\Pi^3] - 3[\Pi][\Pi^2] + [\Pi]^3$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{der}}^{(4)} = -6[\Pi^4] + 3[\Pi^2]^2 + 8[\Pi][\Pi^3] - 6[\Pi^2][\Pi]^2 + [\Pi]^4$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{der}}^{(5)} = \dots$$

*We choose these coefficients so that the Lagrangian becomes total derivative*



# Eliminating 6th DOF

de Rham, Gabadadze (2010)

- *Choosing the coefficients*

$$c_1 = 2c_3 + \frac{1}{2}, \quad c_2 = -3c_3 - \frac{1}{2},$$

$$d_1 = -6d_5 + \frac{1}{16}(24c_3 + 5), \quad d_2 = 8d_5 - \frac{1}{4}(6c_3 + 1)$$

$$d_3 = 3d_5 - \frac{1}{16}(12c_3 + 1), \quad d_4 = -6d_5 + \frac{3}{4}c_3,$$

$$f_1 = \frac{7}{32} + \frac{9}{8}c_3 - 6d_5 + 24f_7, \quad f_2 = -\frac{5}{32} - \frac{15}{16}c_3 + 6d_5 - 30f_7, \quad f_3 = \frac{3}{8}c_3 - 3d_5 + 20f_7,$$

$$f_4 = -\frac{1}{16} - \frac{3}{4}c_3 + 5d_5 - 20f_7, \quad f_5 = \frac{3}{16}c_3 - 3d_5 + 15f_7, \quad f_6 = d_5 - 10f_7$$

*These combinations kill all scalar self-interaction terms !*

# Action in decoupling limit

de Rham, Gabadadze (2010)

- *The next order interactions*

$$\mathcal{L}_{h\Pi^n} = h^{\mu\nu} X_{\mu\nu}^{(1)} - (6c_3 - 1) \frac{1}{\Lambda_3^3} h^{\mu\nu} X_{\mu\nu}^{(2)} + (c_3 + 8d_5) \frac{1}{\Lambda_3^6} h^{\mu\nu} X_{\mu\nu}^{(3)} + \dots$$

$$X_{\mu\nu}^{(1)} = [\Pi] \eta_{\mu\nu} - \Pi_{\mu\nu}$$

$$X_{\mu\nu}^{(2)} = \Pi_{\mu\nu}^2 - [\Pi] \Pi_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} ([\Pi^2] - [\Pi]^2) \eta_{\mu\nu}$$

$$X_{\mu\nu}^{(3)} = 6\Pi_{\mu\nu}^3 - 6[\Pi] \Pi_{\mu\nu}^2 + 3([\Pi]^2 - [\Pi^2]) \Pi_{\mu\nu} - ([\Pi]^3 - 3[\Pi][\Pi^2] + 2[\Pi^3]) \eta_{\mu\nu}$$

$$X_{\mu\nu}^{(4)} = \dots$$

- *The action in the decoupling limit*

$$S = \int d^4x \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \hat{h}^{\mu\nu} \mathcal{E}_{\mu\nu}^{\alpha\beta} \hat{h}_{\alpha\beta} + \hat{h}^{\mu\nu} \left( X_{\mu\nu}^{(1)} - \frac{6c_3 - 1}{\Lambda_3^3} X_{\mu\nu}^{(2)} + \frac{c_3 + 8d_5}{\Lambda_3^6} X_{\mu\nu}^{(3)} \right) + \frac{1}{M_{\text{Pl}}} \hat{h}_{\mu\nu} T^{\mu\nu} \right]$$

(1) *The remaining nonlinear interactions are galileons*

(EOM is 2nd order differential equations)

(2) *The cutoff energy scale is  $\Lambda_3$*

(We cannot trust the theory above  $\Lambda_3$ )

# Resummation of nonlinear potential

de Rham, Gabadadze, Tolley (2011)

- Define the new tensor

$$\mathcal{K}^\mu{}_\nu = \delta^\mu{}_\nu - \sqrt{\eta_{ab} g^{\mu\alpha} \partial_\alpha \phi^a \partial_\nu \phi^b}$$

- Property of this tensor in the decoupling limit

$$\mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu}(g, H) \Big|_{h_{\mu\nu}=0} \equiv \Pi_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\sqrt{T^\mu{}_\alpha} \sqrt{T^\alpha{}_\nu} = T^\mu{}_\nu$$

$$\mathcal{K}_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\alpha} \mathcal{K}^\alpha{}_\nu$$

- dRGT massive gravity

$$S_{MG} = \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ R - \frac{m^2}{4} (\mathcal{U}_2 + \alpha_3 \mathcal{U}_3 + \alpha_4 \mathcal{U}_4) \right] + S_m[g_{\mu\nu}, \psi]$$

$$\mathcal{U}_2 = 2\varepsilon_{\mu\alpha\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\nu\beta\rho\sigma} \mathcal{K}^\mu{}_\nu \mathcal{K}^\alpha{}_\beta = 4 ([\mathcal{K}^2] - [\mathcal{K}]^2)$$

$$\mathcal{U}_3 = \varepsilon_{\mu\alpha\gamma\rho} \varepsilon^{\nu\beta\delta\rho} \mathcal{K}^\mu{}_\nu \mathcal{K}^\alpha{}_\beta \mathcal{K}^\gamma{}_\delta = -[\mathcal{K}]^3 + 3[\mathcal{K}][\mathcal{K}^2] - 2[\mathcal{K}^3]$$

$$\mathcal{U}_4 = \varepsilon_{\mu\alpha\gamma\rho} \varepsilon^{\nu\beta\delta\sigma} \mathcal{K}^\mu{}_\nu \mathcal{K}^\alpha{}_\beta \mathcal{K}^\gamma{}_\delta \mathcal{K}^\rho{}_\sigma = -[\mathcal{K}]^4 + 6[\mathcal{K}]^2[\mathcal{K}^2] - 3[\mathcal{K}^2]^2 - 8[\mathcal{K}][\mathcal{K}^3] + 6[\mathcal{K}^4]$$

*Total derivative in the decoupling limit*

*No BD ghost in full theory (Hassan, Rosen 2011)*

# “Ghost-free” nonlinear massive gravity

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- *de Rham-Gabadadze-Tolley massive gravity* (de Rham, Gabadadze, Tolley, 2011)

$$S_{MG} = \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ R - \frac{m^2}{4} (\mathcal{U}_2 + \alpha_3 \mathcal{U}_3 + \alpha_4 \mathcal{U}_4) \right] + S_m[g_{\mu\nu}, \psi]$$

$$\mathcal{U}_2 = \varepsilon_{\mu\alpha\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\nu\beta\rho\sigma} \mathcal{K}^\mu{}_\nu \mathcal{K}^\alpha{}_\beta$$

$$\mathcal{U}_3 = \varepsilon_{\mu\alpha\gamma\rho} \varepsilon^{\nu\beta\delta\rho} \mathcal{K}^\mu{}_\nu \mathcal{K}^\alpha{}_\beta \mathcal{K}^\gamma{}_\delta$$

$$\mathcal{U}_4 = \varepsilon_{\mu\alpha\gamma\rho} \varepsilon^{\nu\beta\delta\sigma} \mathcal{K}^\mu{}_\nu \mathcal{K}^\alpha{}_\beta \mathcal{K}^\gamma{}_\delta \mathcal{K}^\rho{}_\sigma$$

$$\mathcal{K}^\mu{}_\nu = \delta^\mu{}_\nu - \sqrt{\delta^\mu{}_\nu - H^\mu{}_\nu}$$

$$= \delta^\mu{}_\nu - \sqrt{\eta_{ab} g^{\mu\alpha} \partial_\alpha \phi^a \partial_\nu \phi^b}$$

$\phi^a$  is called *Stuckelberg field*, which restores general covariance

- (1) *Nonlinear theory*
- (2) *Lorentz invariant theory*
- (3) *No ghost at full order (5 DOF, No BD ghost) (Hassan, Rosen, 2011)*
- (4) *Unique* theory of massive spin-2 field as an extension of general relativity (GR + mass term)

# Decoupling limit

de Rham, Gabadadze (2010)

- *Decoupling limit : Easy to capture high energy behavior within Compton wavelength of massive graviton*

$$H_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow \frac{h_{\mu\nu}}{M_{\text{Pl}}} + 2 \frac{\partial_\mu \partial_\nu \pi}{M_{\text{Pl}} m^2} - \frac{\partial_\mu \partial_\alpha \pi \partial_\mu \partial^\alpha \pi}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2 m^4}$$

$\pi$  is the scalar mode of massive graviton

$$M_{\text{Pl}} \rightarrow \infty, \quad m \rightarrow 0, \quad \Lambda_3 = (M_{\text{Pl}} m^2)^{1/3} = \text{fixed}, \quad \frac{T_{\mu\nu}}{M_{\text{Pl}}} = \text{fixed}$$

- *dRGT Lagrangian in the decoupling limit*

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{DL}} = \left[ -\frac{1}{4} h^{\mu\nu} \mathcal{E}_{\mu\nu}^{\alpha\beta} h_{\alpha\beta} + \frac{1}{M_{\text{Pl}}} h^{\mu\nu} T_{\mu\nu} \right] \text{Standard gravity part}$$

$$- h^{\mu\nu} \left[ \frac{1}{4} \varepsilon_\mu^{\rho\gamma\alpha} \varepsilon_{\nu\rho\gamma}^\beta \Pi_{\alpha\beta} + \frac{3\alpha_3 + 4}{16\Lambda_3^3} \varepsilon_\mu^{\gamma\alpha\rho} \varepsilon_{\nu\gamma}^{\beta\sigma} \Pi_{\alpha\beta} \Pi_{\rho\sigma} + \frac{\alpha_3 + 4\alpha_4}{16\Lambda_3^6} \varepsilon_\mu^{\alpha\gamma\rho} \varepsilon_\nu^{\beta\delta\sigma} \Pi_{\alpha\beta} \Pi_{\gamma\delta} \Pi_{\rho\sigma} \right]$$

*Galileon type interactions*

- 2nd order differential EOM (NO BD ghost)
- Cutoff energy scale is  $\Lambda_3$

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon \varepsilon \Pi &\equiv \varepsilon^{\mu\alpha\beta\gamma} \varepsilon^\nu_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \partial_\mu \partial_\nu \pi \\ \varepsilon_\mu \varepsilon_\nu \Pi &\equiv \varepsilon_\mu^{\alpha\gamma\delta} \varepsilon_\nu^\beta_{\gamma\delta} \partial_\alpha \partial_\beta \pi \\ \Pi_{\mu\nu} &= \partial_\mu \partial_\nu \pi \end{aligned}$$

# Cosmologies

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- *There is no flat and closed FRW solution (D'Amico et al., 2011)*
- *Open FRW solution (Gumrukcuoglu, Lin, Mukohyama, 2011)*

$$3 H^2 + \frac{3 K}{a^2} = \Lambda_{\pm} + \frac{1}{M_{Pl}^2} \rho ,$$
$$-\frac{2\dot{H}}{N} + \frac{2 K}{a^2} = \frac{1}{M_{Pl}^2} (\rho + P),$$

$$\Lambda_{\pm} \equiv -\frac{m_g^2}{(\alpha_3 + \alpha_4)^2} \left[ (1 + \alpha_3) (2 + \alpha_3 + 2 \alpha_3^2 - 3 \alpha_4) \pm 2 (1 + \alpha_3 + \alpha_3^2 - \alpha_4)^{3/2} \right]$$

- *Linear perturbations are fine, and scalar and vector perturbations are exactly the same as GR because of vanishing the kinetic terms (Gumrukcuoglu, Lin, Mukohyama, 2011)*
- *There is ghost-instability at nonlinear level (Gumrukcuoglu, Lin, Mukohyama, 2012)*
- *Consistent massive gravity : Quasi-dilaton theory (massive graviton + scalar)(de Felice, Mukohyama, 2013), SO(3) massive gravity (Lorentz breaking) (Lin, 2013)*

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# Derivative interactions in massive gravity

# DOF in Fierz-Pauli theory

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- *Einstein-Hilbert term*

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{EH}} = \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma}{}_{\sigma} \partial_{\mu} \partial_{\alpha} h_{\nu\beta} h_{\rho\gamma}$$

- $h_{00}$  and  $h_{ij}$  are Lagrange multipliers  
(Existence of Hamiltonian and momentum constraints)
- DOF of massless graviton = 2

- *Fierz-Pauli mass term*

$$\mathcal{U}_{\text{FP}} = \varepsilon^{\mu\alpha\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\nu\beta}{}_{\rho\sigma} h_{\mu\nu} h_{\alpha\beta}$$

- $h_{00}$  is Lagrange multiplier  
(Existence of Hamiltonian constraint)
- DOF of massless graviton = 5

→ *Antisymmetric tensor ensures that  $h_{00}$  becomes a Lagrange multiplier*

*The Hamiltonian constraint kills BD ghost*



# Derivative interaction in Fierz-Pauli theory

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(Kurt Hinterbichler, 2013)

- *Derivative interaction in Fierz-Pauli theory*

$$\mathcal{L}_{2,3} \sim M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} \partial_\mu \partial_\alpha h_{\nu\beta} h_{\rho\gamma} h_{\sigma\delta}$$

*Levi-Civita structure ensures that the Lagrangian is linear in  $h_{00}$*

*→  $h_{00}$  becomes a Lagrange multiplier, which kills BD ghost*

- *In 4 dimension, there is no more derivative interaction, which kills BD ghost.  
(due to the number of indices in the antisymmetric tensor.)*
- *Fierz-Pauli theory is actually linear theory, but this derivative interactions is nonlinear !! If we want to consider this term, we need to think about Einstein-Hilbert term, instead of linearized Einstein-Hilbert.*

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Our work : Is there any *consistent nonlinear* derivative interactions  
in de Rham-Gabadadze-Tolley massive gravity??

$$S_{MG} = \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ R - \frac{m^2}{4} (\mathcal{U}_2 + \alpha_3 \mathcal{U}_3 + \alpha_4 \mathcal{U}_4) \right] + \boxed{S_{int}} + S_m[g_{\mu\nu}, \psi],$$

$$\mathcal{U}_2 = \varepsilon_{\mu\alpha\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\nu\beta\rho\sigma} \mathcal{K}^\mu{}_\nu \mathcal{K}^\alpha{}_\beta$$

$$\mathcal{U}_3 = \varepsilon_{\mu\alpha\gamma\rho} \varepsilon^{\nu\beta\delta\rho} \mathcal{K}^\mu{}_\nu \mathcal{K}^\alpha{}_\beta \mathcal{K}^\gamma{}_\delta$$

$$\mathcal{U}_4 = \varepsilon_{\mu\alpha\gamma\rho} \varepsilon^{\nu\beta\delta\sigma} \mathcal{K}^\mu{}_\nu \mathcal{K}^\alpha{}_\beta \mathcal{K}^\gamma{}_\delta \mathcal{K}^\rho{}_\sigma$$

$$\mathcal{K}^\mu{}_\nu = \delta^\mu{}_\nu - \sqrt{\delta^\mu{}_\nu - H^\mu{}_\nu}$$

$$= \delta^\mu{}_\nu - \sqrt{\eta_{ab} g^{\mu\alpha} \partial_\alpha \phi^a \partial_\nu \phi^b}$$

# Guidelines for construction of Lagrangian

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- *Candidates for derivative interactions using the Riemann tensor*

$$\mathcal{L}_{int} \supset M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \sqrt{-g} H R, M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \sqrt{-g} H^2 R, M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \sqrt{-g} H^3 R, \dots$$

$$H_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} - \eta_{ab} \partial_\mu \phi^a \partial_\nu \phi^b$$

- *Guidelines*

(1) *Linearization of  $h_{\mu\nu}$  reproduces Fierz-Pauli theory*

- *Lorentz invariance*
- *Free of Boulware-Deser ghost at linear level*

(2) *Cut off energy scale is  $\Lambda_3$*

- *All nonlinear terms below  $\Lambda_3$  have to be eliminated*

(3) *Free of Boulware-Deser ghost*

# Energy scales of derivative interactions in the decoupling limit

- *General form of Lagrangian*

$$\mathcal{L}_{int} \supset M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \sqrt{-g} H R, M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \sqrt{-g} H^2 R, M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \sqrt{-g} H^3 R, \dots$$

- *The Lagrangian in the decoupling limit can be schematically written as*

$$\mathcal{L}_{int} \sim \Lambda_\lambda^{2-n_h-3n_\pi} h^{n_h-1} \partial^2 h (\partial^2 \pi)^{n_\pi}$$

	$n_h = 1$	$n_h = 2$
$n_\pi = 1$	$\infty$	$\Lambda_3$
$n_\pi = 2$	$\Lambda_5$	$\Lambda_3$
$n_\pi = 3$	$\Lambda_4$	$\Lambda_3$
$n_\pi = 4$	$\Lambda_{11/3}$	$\Lambda_3$
...	...	...
$n_\pi = n$	$\Lambda_{(3n-1)/(n-1)}$	$\Lambda_3$

*These has to be eliminated*

$$H_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow \frac{h_{\mu\nu}}{M_{\text{Pl}}} + 2 \frac{\partial_\mu \partial_\nu \pi}{M_{\text{Pl}} m^2} - \frac{\partial_\mu \partial_\alpha \pi \partial_\mu \partial^\alpha \pi}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2 m^4}$$

$$\Lambda_\lambda = (M_p m^{\lambda-1})^{1/\lambda}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{n_h + 3n_\pi - 2}{n_h + n_\pi - 2}$$

# HR order term

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- *General Lagrangian of HR order*

$$\mathcal{L}_{int,1} = M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \sqrt{-g} H_{\mu\nu} (R^{\mu\nu} + d R g^{\mu\nu})$$

*Linearizing  $h_{\mu\nu}$  gives the same order of the linearized Einstein-Hilbert*

$$\mathcal{L}_{int,1}^{(2)} \propto M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \left[ \sqrt{-g} R \right]_{h^2}$$



$$d = -1/2$$

- *In terms of Levi-Civita symbol,*

$$\mathcal{L}_{int,1} = M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \sqrt{-g} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma}{}_{\sigma} R_{\mu\alpha\nu\beta} H_{\rho\gamma}$$

*The Lagrangian satisfies requirement (1) : Fierz-Pauli theory at linear theory*

# HR order term in the decoupling limit

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- *The lowest order term in the decoupling limit*

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{int,1} \Big|_{\partial^2 h \partial^2 \pi} &= -\frac{2}{m^2} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma} {}_\sigma \partial_\mu \partial_\alpha h_{\nu\beta} \partial_\rho \partial_\gamma \pi \\ &= -\frac{2}{m^2} \partial_\gamma (\varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma} {}_\sigma \partial_\mu \partial_\alpha h_{\nu\beta} \partial_\rho \pi)\end{aligned}$$

*Total derivative*

- *The next order term in the decoupling limit*

$$\mathcal{L}_{int,1} \Big|_{\partial^2 h (\partial^2 \pi)^2} = \frac{1}{\Lambda_5^5} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma} {}_\sigma \partial_\mu \partial_\alpha h_{\nu\beta} \partial_\rho \partial_\gamma \pi \partial^a \partial_a \pi$$

*This is not zero or total derivative, and EOM contains higher derivatives*

➔ *The counter part of this term can eliminate this term*

$$\mathcal{L}_{int,1,2} = \frac{1}{4} M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \sqrt{-g} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma} {}_\sigma R_{\mu\alpha\nu\beta} H_{\rho\alpha} H^a{}_\gamma$$

*$\Lambda_5$  term is eliminated !*

# HR order term in the decoupling limit


- *HR order Lagrangian*

$$\mathcal{L}_{int,1} = M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \sqrt{-g} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma}{}_{\sigma} R_{\mu\alpha\nu\beta} H_{\rho\gamma}$$

$$\sim \Lambda_{\lambda}^{2-n_h-3n_{\pi}} h^{n_h-1} \partial^2 h (\partial^2 \pi)^{n_{\pi}} \Big|_{\text{DL}}$$

	$n_h = 1$
$n_{\pi} = 1$	$\infty$
$n_{\pi} = 2$	$\Lambda_5$
$n_{\pi} = 3$	$\Lambda_4$
$n_{\pi} = 4$	$\Lambda_{11/3}$
...	...
$n_{\pi} = n$	$\Lambda_{(3n-1)/(n-1)}$

 *Automatically total derivative*

 *These terms can be always eliminated by adding higher order terms*

# HR order term

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- *The total Lagrangians including counter terms is given by*

$$\mathcal{L}_{int,1} = M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \sqrt{-g} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma}{}_{\sigma} R_{\mu\alpha\nu\beta} \times \left( H_{\rho\gamma} + \frac{1}{4} H_{\rho a} H^a{}_{\gamma} + \frac{1}{8} H_{\rho a} H^a{}_b H^b{}_{\gamma} + \frac{5}{64} H_{\rho a} H^a{}_b H^b{}_c H^c{}_{\gamma} + \dots \right) = 2 \mathcal{K}_{\rho\gamma}$$

$$\mathcal{K}^{\mu}{}_{\nu} = \delta^{\mu}{}_{\nu} - \sqrt{\delta^{\mu}{}_{\nu} - H^{\mu}{}_{\nu}} = - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \bar{d}_n (H^n)^{\mu}{}_{\nu},$$

- *The final Lagrangian of HR order term*

$$\mathcal{L}_{int,1} = M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \sqrt{-g} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma}{}_{\sigma} R_{\mu\alpha\nu\beta} \mathcal{K}_{\rho\gamma}$$

*The Lagrangian satisfies requirements (2) :  $\Lambda_3$  theory in the decoupling limit*



# H<sup>2</sup>R order term

- Consider the most general combination of this order

$$\mathcal{L}_{int,2} = M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \sqrt{-g} R^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} (c_1 H_{\mu\alpha} H_{\nu\beta} + \dots)$$

	$n_h = 1$
$n_\pi = 2$	$\Lambda_5$
$n_\pi = 3$	$\Lambda_4$
$n_\pi = 4$	$\Lambda_{11/3}$
...	...
$n_\pi = n$	$\Lambda_{(3n-1)/(n-1)}$

*This order should be a total derivative, otherwise BD ghost appear*

$$\sim \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} \partial_\mu \partial_\alpha h_{\nu\beta} \partial_\rho \partial_\gamma \pi \partial_\sigma \partial_\delta \pi$$

*These terms might be eliminated by adding higher order terms*

# H<sup>2</sup>R order term

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- *The Lagrangian is*

$$\mathcal{L}_{int,2} = M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \sqrt{-g} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} R_{\mu\alpha\nu\beta} H_{\rho\gamma} H_{\sigma\delta}$$

*This is the only combination that the lowest order  $\Lambda_5$  term becomes a total derivative*

- *With the same method of the previous case, we get the resumed Lagrangian of H<sup>2</sup>R order term*

$$\mathcal{L}_{int,2} = M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \sqrt{-g} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} R_{\mu\alpha\nu\beta} \mathcal{K}_{\rho\gamma} \mathcal{K}_{\sigma\delta}$$

- *H<sup>3</sup>R, HR<sup>2</sup> or higher order terms?? → No!*

*In four dimension, there is no total derivative combination of the lowest order term in the decoupling limit*

# Riemann derivative interactions

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- *In 4 dimension, the general derivative interaction for massive graviton is*

$$\mathcal{L}_{int} = M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \sqrt{-g} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} R_{\mu\alpha\nu\beta} (\alpha g_{\rho\gamma} \mathcal{K}_{\sigma\delta} + \beta \mathcal{K}_{\rho\gamma} \mathcal{K}_{\sigma\delta})$$

*$\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are parameters*

- *We can also construct derivative interactions in arbitrary dimensions  $D$*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{int}^{(D,d,m)} = & M_{\text{Pl}}^{D-2} m^{2-d} \sqrt{-g} \varepsilon^{\mu_1 \mu_2 \cdots \mu_D} \varepsilon^{\nu_1 \nu_2 \cdots \nu_D} R_{\mu_1 \nu_1 \mu_2 \nu_2} \cdots R_{\mu_{d-1} \nu_{d-1} \mu_d \nu_d} \\ & \times g_{\mu_{d+1} \nu_{d+1}} \cdots g_{\mu_m \nu_m} \mathcal{K}_{\mu_{m+1} \nu_{m+1}} \cdots \mathcal{K}_{\mu_D \nu_D} \end{aligned}$$

*$d$  is even number*

$$2 \leq d \leq m \leq D - 1$$

*These Lagrangians satisfy the requirements (1) and (2)*

# Boulware-Deser ghost??

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- *We constructed the  $\Lambda_3$  nonlinear derivative interactions, but we still need to check the requirement (3) : the existence of BD ghost*

- *$\Lambda_3$  theory in the decoupling limit*

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{DL}} \sim \frac{1}{\Lambda_3^3} \pi \left[ R^2 - 4R_{\mu\nu} R^{\mu\nu} + R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} R^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \right]_{h^2} + \frac{1}{\Lambda_3^{3n_\pi}} \mathcal{O}[h\partial^2 h (\partial^2 \pi)^{n_\pi}]$$

*EOM is 2nd order differential equation  
(coming from  $L_{\text{int},2}$ )*

*These terms yield 4th order  
differential Eq for  $h$  and  $\pi$   
(coming from  $L_{\text{int},1}$  and  $L_{\text{int},2}$ )*

*There are extra degrees of freedom, which leads to ghost...*

*Ghost appears at  $\Lambda_3$*

# Other derivative interactions (in progress)

- In 4 dimension, we found other  $\Lambda_3$  derivative interactions without the Riemann tensor

$$\mathcal{L}'_{int,1} = -M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \sqrt{-g} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma}{}_{\sigma} \nabla_{\alpha} \mathcal{K}_{\nu\beta} \nabla_{\mu} \mathcal{K}_{\rho\gamma}$$

$$\mathcal{L}'_{int,2} = -2M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \sqrt{-g} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} \nabla_{\alpha} \mathcal{K}_{\nu\beta} \nabla_{\mu} \mathcal{K}_{\rho\gamma} F_{\delta\sigma}(H..)$$

- $\Lambda_3$  theory in the decoupling limit

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{DL}} \sim \frac{1}{\Lambda_3^3} \pi \left[ R^2 - 4R_{\mu\nu} R^{\mu\nu} + R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} R^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \right]_{h^2} + \frac{1}{\Lambda_3^{3n_{\pi}}} \mathcal{O}[h \partial^2 h (\partial^2 \pi)^{n_{\pi}}]$$

*EOM is 2nd order differential equation  
(coming from  $\mathcal{L}'_{int,2}$ )*

*These terms yield 4th order  
differential Eq for  $h$  and  $\pi$   
(coming from  $\mathcal{L}'_{int,1}$  and  $\mathcal{L}'_{int,2}$ )*

*We cannot kill higher derivative terms in EOM even if we combine all four  
derivative interaction terms...*

# Appropriate mass scale of derivative interactions?

- So far, the mass scale of the derivative interactions was  $M_{Pl}$

$$\mathcal{L}_{int} = M_{Pl}^2 \sqrt{-g} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} R_{\mu\alpha\nu\beta} (\alpha g_{\rho\gamma} \mathcal{K}_{\sigma\delta} + \beta \mathcal{K}_{\rho\gamma} \mathcal{K}_{\sigma\delta})$$

*If the mass scale  $M$  is not  $M_{Pl}$  and smaller than  $M_{Pl}$ ,  
the ghost scale is roughly above the cutoff energy scale.*

- In addition, if  $M < M_{Pl}$ ,

$$\mathcal{L}_{int,2} = \overset{M}{\cancel{M_{Pl}^2}} \sqrt{-g} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} R_{\mu\alpha\nu\beta} \mathcal{K}_{\rho\gamma} \mathcal{K}_{\sigma\delta}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{DL} \sim \frac{1}{\cancel{\Lambda_3^3}} \pi \left[ R^2 - 4R_{\mu\nu} R^{\mu\nu} + R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} R^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \right]_{h^2} + \frac{1}{\cancel{\Lambda_3^{3n_\pi}}} \mathcal{O}[h \partial^2 h (\partial^2 \pi)^{n_\pi}]$$

$$\Lambda_R > \Lambda_3$$

$$\Lambda_{ghost} > \Lambda_R > \Lambda_3$$

*If  $\Lambda_{ghost} > \Lambda_{cutoff} > \Lambda_R > \Lambda_3$ , the theory might still survive...*

# Summary

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- *We found the most general derivative interactions in dRGT massive gravity*
  - *The energy scales below  $\Lambda_3$  can be eliminated by adding counter terms*
  - *The Lagrangians can be resummed by using K tensor*
  - *The most general derivative interactions contain four interactions*
  - *Nonlinear terms contribute at  $\Lambda_3$*
- *Appropriate DOF?*
  - *4th order differential EOM of the scalar and tensor mode in the decoupling limit*
  - *Ghost appears at  $\Lambda_3$  in dRGT theory + derivative interactions*

*The mass scale of the derivative interactions should be  $M < M_{pl}$*