Constraining Modified Growth Patterns with Tomographic Surveys

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Outline



Cosmic Acceleration: Λ ? Modified Gravity ? Dark Energy?

Can we distinguish between them?

Large Scale Structure!

f(R) theories : as a learning-ground for signatures of modifications



Searching for modified growth patterns



Cosmic Acceleration





Cosmic Acceleration

A very good fit to all these data is a Universe in which 70% of the energy budget is in the COSMOLOGICAL CONSTANT, LCDM

Anyhow it is important to explore the whole space of explanations that fit these data and could have testable features...



$$G_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{M_P^2} \; \tilde{T}_{\mu\nu}$$

Modified Gravity

$$\tilde{G}_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{M_P^2} T_{\mu\nu}$$

X matter fields with dynamics such as to cause the late universe to accelerate (quintessence, k-essence, ...) modification of GR on large scales, admitting self-accelerating solutions



What do we learn from f(R) gravity ?



f(R) Gravity

$$S = \frac{M_P^2}{2} \int dx^4 \sqrt{-g} \left[R + f(R) \right] + \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \mathcal{L}_m[\chi_i, g_{\mu\nu}]$$

(S.Capozziello, S.Carloni & A.Troisi, astro-ph/0303041 S.Carroll, V.Duvvuri, M.Trodden & M.S.Turner, Phys.Rev.D70 043528 (2004))

$$\begin{cases} (1+f_R)R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu}(R+f) + (g_{\mu\nu}\Box - \nabla_{\mu}\nabla_{\nu})f_R = \frac{T_{\mu\nu}}{M_P^2} \\ \nabla_{\mu}T^{\mu\nu} = 0 \end{cases}$$

 $f_R \equiv \frac{df}{dR}$

The Einstein equations are fourth order.

The trace-equation becomes: $\frac{dynamical}{(1 - f_R)R + 2f - 3\Box f_R} = \frac{T}{M_P^2}$

Background Viability

There is an extra scalar d.o.f.: the scalaron f_R

$$\lambda_C \equiv \frac{2\pi}{m_{f_R}} \approx 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{3f_{RR}}{1+f_R}}$$

...extra dynamics and fifth-force...

to have a stable high-curvature regime, i.e. to go through a standard matter era, to have a positive effective Newton constant, and to satisfy LGC



(Dolgov & Kawasaki, Phys.Lett.B 573 (2003), Navarro et al.gr-qc/0611127, Sawicki and Hu astro-ph/0702278 Starobinsky astro-ph/0706.2041, Chiba, Smith, Erickcek astro-ph/0611867 Amendola et al.astro-ph/0603703-0612180, Amendola & Tsujikawa astro-ph/0705.0396)

Can we distinguish them from LCDM?

While at the background level viable f(R) must closely mimic LCDM, the difference in their prediction for the growth of large scale structure can be significant

The scalaron sets a transition scale, inducing a characteristic scaledependent pattern

On scales below the Compton wavelength of the scalaron, the modifications contribute a slip between the Newtonian potentials and the growth is enhanced by the fifth-force





Dynamics of Linear Perturbations....Sub-Horizon

$$\begin{split} \delta_m'' + \left(1 + \frac{H'}{H}\right) \delta_m' + \frac{k^2}{a^2 H^2} \Psi &= 0 \\ k^2 \Psi &= -\frac{3}{2} \underbrace{\frac{1}{F} \frac{1 + \left(\frac{k^2}{a^2} \frac{f_{RR}}{F}\right)}{1 + 3\frac{k^2}{a^2} \frac{f_{RR}}{F}}}_{\text{time and scale dependent rescaling of Newton constant}} \begin{pmatrix} k^2 f_{RR} \\ a^2 F \end{pmatrix} &= \frac{k^2}{a^2} \frac{1}{m^2} \\ \frac{\Phi}{\Psi} &= \frac{1 + 2\frac{k^2}{a^2} \frac{f_{RR}}{F}}{1 + 4\frac{k^2}{a^2} \frac{f_{RR}}{F}} \\ \underbrace{\frac{G_{\text{eff}}}{G} &= \frac{1 + \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)\frac{k^2}{a^2m^2}}{1 + \frac{k^2}{a^2m^2}} & \frac{\Phi}{\Psi} &= \frac{1 + \frac{2}{3}\frac{k^2}{a^2m^2}}{1 + \frac{4}{3}\frac{k^2}{a^2m^2}} \\ \end{split}$$

(coupled quintessence: Amendola,L. PRD'04)







Overall we observe a scale-dependent pattern of growth.

The modifications introduced by f(R) models are similar to those introduced by more general scalar-tensor theories and models of coupled DE-DM

The dynamics of perturbations is richer, and different observables are described by different functions, not by a single growth factor!

combining different measurements we can build discriminating probes of gravity



What is the potential of current and upcoming tomographic surveys to detect departures from GR (LCDM,quintessence) in the growth of structure?



Parametrization



effective Newton constant: $G
ightarrow G \cdot \mu(a,k)$

in standard GR :
$$\gamma(a,k) = 1$$

 $\mu(a,k) = 1$

Parametrization: inspired by scalar-tensor theories / massive coupled quintessence

Fisher analysis for the parameters: $\{s, \beta_1, \beta_2, \lambda_1^2, \lambda_2^2\}$



Observables: theoretical predictions

 (\hat{n}_2, s_2)

 $X(\hat{n}_{1}, z_{1})$

$$\begin{cases} \Delta_m'' + \mathcal{H}\Delta_m' + k^2 \Psi = 0 \\ k^2 \Psi = -\frac{a^2}{2M_P^2} G \cdot \mu(a, k) \Delta_m & \longrightarrow & \text{OBSERVABLES} \\ \Phi = \gamma(a, k) \cdot \Psi \end{cases}$$

We wish to combine multiple-redshift information on Galaxy Count, Weak Lensing, CMB and their cross correlations

Therefore the observables are the ANGULAR POWER SPECTRA:

$$C_l^{XY}(\theta) = 4\pi \int \frac{dk}{k} \,\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^2 I_l^X(k) I_l^Y(k)$$

$$I_l^X(k) = c_{x\mathcal{R}} \int_0^{z_*} dz \, W(z) j_l[kr(z)] \tilde{X}(k,z)$$

Surveys

background: SNela (SNAP) + CMB (Planck)



Galaxy Count (GC) & Weak Lensing (WL): DES (Dark Energy Survey, Sept. 2009, 0.1 < z < 1.3)



SURVEY

LSST (Large Synoptic Survey Telescope, proposed, z ~ 3)

CMB: Planck (ESA,
$$\frac{\Delta T}{T} \sim 2 \times 10^{-6}$$
 , $\theta \sim 5'$







Fiducials

$$\mu(a,k) \equiv \frac{1+\beta_1\lambda_1^2 k^2 a^s}{1+\lambda_1^2 k^2 a^s}$$

$$\gamma(a,k) \equiv \frac{1+\beta_2\lambda_2^2 k^2 a^s}{1+\lambda_2^2 k^2 a^s}$$

f(R) fiducials:

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• fixed coupling:
$$\beta_1 = \frac{4}{3}$$
, $\beta_2 = \frac{1}{2}$
• mass evolution: $\frac{1}{m^2} \sim f_{RR} \propto a^{-6} \longrightarrow s \sim 4$
• mass scale today: $\lambda_1 \lesssim O(10) \text{ Mpc}$ (LGC)
 $\lambda_1 \lesssim O(10^3) \text{ Mpc}$ (LGC)



68% Confidence Contours for the 5 modified-growth parameters





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Relative Errors

	Model I		Model II	
Р	DES	LSST	DES	LSST
$\log(\lambda_1^2/{ m Mpc}^2)$	34%	9%	18%	4%
eta_1	20%	6%	9%	2%
$\log(\lambda_2^2/\mathrm{Mpc}^2)$	33%	9%	18%	4%
eta_2	68%	20%	26%	4%
s	53%	14%	30%	6%

with all data combined





Reconstructed G and gravitational slip



Summary

The degeneracy among models of cosmic acceleration is broken at the level of Large Scale Structure.

Weak Lensing (WL), Galaxy Count (GC), the Integrated Sachs Wolfe effect (ISW) & their cross-correlations offer a powerful testing ground for GR on large scales.

We have learned that upcoming and future surveys can place non trivial bounds on modifications of the growth of structure even in the most conservative case, i.e. considering only linear scales.

These results are model-dependent, but they motivate us to pursue model-independent methods such as PCA (Principal Component Analysis)

results coming soon, stay tuned :-)



THANK YOU!