

Cosmological constant  
versus  
astrophysical scale effects

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**Context** : Accelerated expansion of the universe interpreted in

**General Relativity with cosmological constant** framework

→ Concordance LambdaCDM (LCDM) model

LCDM advantages ... :

- well known & tested physics : gravitation / general relativity  
(but with a cosmological constant  $\longleftrightarrow$  vacuum as perfect fluid  $P = -\varepsilon$  )
- **the model works very well !** (SN1a, CMBR, ...)
- vacuum energy in physics (Casimir effect, ....)

... & inconvenients :

- bad interface with quantum field theory : **120 orders between the measured Lambda & its QFT expected value** (vacuum energy)
- ... (coïncidence pb, ...)

→ some authors prefer other options

- alternative gravity (scalar-tensor,  $f(R)$ , ....)
- matter content
- inhomogeneities (voids, ....)
- .....

Discarding this controversy, the fact the interpretation in terms of  $\Lambda$  results in a valuable cosmological scenario raises the question :

could  $\Lambda$  results in observable **effects at astrophysical scales** ( $\ll$  cosmology) ?

no  $\Lambda$  clustering effects  $\rightarrow$  cosmo amplitude  $\rightarrow$  astrophys amplitude (in some sense...)

Works made in these lines (LambdaGR) :

- matter** {
  - motions about black holes  $\rightarrow$  incidences on accretion disks (?) [refs ...]
  - gravitational equilibrium [refs ...]
  - solar system : periastron shift, ... [refs ...]
  - weak local value of the Hubble parameter ( $\sim 60$  km/s/Mpc vs  $\sim 70$ ) [refs ...]
- light** {
  - lensing [refs ...]
  - ..... (?)

Often expected local effect :

« the cosmological constant acts as a radially repulsive force proportional to the distance »

## A general proof of this claim ??????

Supported by Schwarzschild-de Sitter solution ...

$$ds^2 = - \left( 1 - \underbrace{\frac{2m}{r} - \frac{\Lambda r^2}{3}}_{\text{weak field}} \right) dt^2 + \left( 1 - \frac{2m}{r} - \frac{\Lambda r^2}{3} \right)^{-1} dr^2 + r^2 (d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\varphi^2)$$
$$\vec{g}_{eff} = -m \frac{\vec{r}}{r^3} + \frac{\Lambda}{3} \vec{r}$$

... and by RW-cosmological models (including the Einstein static universe) ...

... but in all these models, the **spherical symmetry is present from the very start !!!**

Another solution

$$ds^2 = -\frac{\cos^2 \bar{x}}{|\sin \bar{x}|^{2/3}} d\bar{t}^2 + d\bar{x}^2 \pm |\sin \bar{x}|^{4/3} (d\bar{y}^2 + d\bar{z}^2) \quad \text{with} \quad \bar{x}^\alpha \equiv \frac{\sqrt{3\Lambda}}{2} x^\alpha$$

solves  $R_{\alpha\beta} = \Lambda g_{\alpha\beta}$  (vacuum LGR)

(+ : static non-spherical spacetime)

(- : spacetime in anisotropic expansion/contraction)

→ (a priori)  $\Lambda$  could result in non-spherical effects

**How determining the general local effect ?** Just do what you do in ( $\Lambda = 0$ )-GR

...

$$R_{\alpha\beta} = 8\pi \left( T_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{2} T g_{\alpha\beta} \right) + \Lambda g_{\alpha\beta}$$

... ie (1) consider the LGR equation

& (2) expand :

$$g_{\alpha\beta} = m_{\alpha\beta} + h_{\alpha\beta} \quad \text{with} \quad |h_{\alpha\beta}| \ll 1$$

- about Minkowski

- without any prior symmetry assumption

& (3) determine the solution at the linearized order

& (4) write the geodesic equation  $\rightarrow$  identify  $\Lambda$  effects on the free fall problem

**!!!! Problem** : Minkowski is NOT a vacuum LGR solution ...

... but all LGR solution is locally minkowskian

$\rightarrow$  OK for getting just local effects

One gets 
$$-\square h_{\alpha\beta} + \partial_\alpha \partial_\sigma \bar{h}_\beta^\sigma + \partial_\beta \partial_\sigma \bar{h}_\alpha^\sigma = 16\pi \bar{T}_{\alpha\beta} + 2\Lambda m_{\alpha\beta} + O(h^2) + O(\Lambda h)$$

where 
$$\bar{X}_{\alpha\beta} \equiv X_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{2} X m_{\alpha\beta} \quad ( X \equiv m^{\mu\nu} X_{\mu\nu} )$$

→ This equation was already addressed by **several authors**, who considered :

- Nowakowski & Arraut (2008, 2010) →  $\Lambda$  impact on gravitational radiation

- Bernabéu, Espinoza & Mavromatos (2011) → one solution (SdS in disguise ...) & impact on gravitational radiation

... but **did not consider** the possible **impact on free fall dynamics** (that we are interested in)

Separate matter and Lambda (linearity) :

→ 
$$h'_{\alpha\beta} \equiv h_{\alpha\beta} - h_{\alpha\beta}^{(m)} \quad \text{where} \quad h_{\alpha\beta}^{(m)} \quad \text{is a solution for } \Lambda = 0 \text{ ( matter )}$$

$$\partial_\alpha \partial_\sigma h'^\sigma_\beta + \partial_\beta \partial_\sigma h'^\sigma_\alpha - \partial_\alpha \partial_\beta h' - \square h'_{\alpha\beta} = 2\Lambda m_{\alpha\beta}$$



$\partial\partial\dots = cste \rightarrow$  look for solutions  $h'_{\alpha\beta} = \Lambda K_{\alpha\beta\mu\nu} x^\mu x^\nu$  with  $K_{\alpha\beta\mu\nu} = K_{\alpha\beta\nu\mu} = K_{\beta\alpha\mu\nu}$

**field equation**  $\rightarrow$  10 constraints on these 100 constants

100 cstes

Must satisfy

$$m^{\lambda\sigma} (K_{\beta\lambda\alpha\sigma} + K_{\alpha\lambda\beta\sigma} - K_{\lambda\sigma\alpha\beta} - K_{\alpha\beta\lambda\sigma}) = m_{\alpha\beta}$$

(linearized) Schw-de Sitter in isotropic coord is solution  $\rightarrow$  OK

**Hilbert gauge** (usual, coord system choice)  $\partial_\sigma \bar{h}^{\alpha\sigma} = 0$

$\rightarrow$   $m^{\lambda\sigma} \left( K_{\alpha\lambda\beta\sigma} - \frac{1}{2} K_{\lambda\sigma\alpha\beta} \right) = 0 \rightarrow$  16 constraints (  $\rightarrow$  total = 26 constraints )

Could satisfy

(linearized) Schw-de Sitter in harmonic coord is solution  $\rightarrow$  OK

## Local dynamics

Aim : write geodesic equation (free particles motion)

Hypothesis (usual) :

- slow particles motions
- slow sources motions  $\rightarrow \left| \partial_0 {}^{(m)} h_{\alpha\beta} \right| \ll \left| \partial_i {}^{(m)} h_{\alpha\beta} \right|$  ( but not for  $\left| \partial_0 h'_{\alpha\beta} \right|$  &  $\left| \partial_i h'_{\alpha\beta} \right|$  )

One gets

$$\frac{dv^k}{dt} = \underbrace{N^k t + M^{kl} x^l}_{\text{cosmological terms}} + \underbrace{\sum_{(A)} \partial_k \left( \frac{M_A}{r_A} \right)}_{\text{usual newtonian terms}}$$

**cosmological terms**

usual newtonian terms

$$\begin{cases} N^k = \Lambda (K_{000k} - 2K_{0k00}) & (3 \text{ cstes}) & \text{de Sitter} \rightarrow N^k = 0 \\ M^{kl} = \Lambda (K_{00kl} - 2K_{0k0l}) & (9 \text{ cstes}) & \text{de Sitter} \rightarrow M^{kl} = \dots (\propto \delta_{kl}) \end{cases}$$

## Local effects of Lambda

- there are solutions such that  $N=M=0 \rightarrow$  no  $\Lambda$  effect in this case
- cases  $N=0$  &  $M^{kl} \propto \delta_{kl} \rightarrow$  effective radial force propto the distance (includes de Sitter)
- **(generic case)**:  $N^k \neq 0$  and  $M^{kl} \neq 0$  (and not  $\propto \delta_{kl}$ )
  - $N \rightarrow$  (locally) **uniform acceleration field** (varies on cosmological timescales)
  - $M \rightarrow$  acceleration field propto  $\vec{r}$  but not colinear

(B. Chauvineau & T. Regimbau, PRD, 2012)

Effects of  $M$  :

consider  $\frac{dv^k}{dt} = M^{kl} x^l \rightarrow$  in the case where there is  $Q$  such that  $Q^{kl} Q^{lm} = M^{km}$

a solution reads  $v^k = Q^{kl} x^l$

$\rightarrow$  (if  $Q$  symmetric) **quadrupole-like term + contribution to expansion** (if  $Q$  not traceless)

## Role in clusters dynamics ?

local dynamics : very complex ! Fitting data requires :

- one (or even two) attractor(s)
- quadrupole terms
- ...

→ **could** the « local cosmological fields »  **$N$  &  $M$  contribute ?**

Expected (?) effect of  $N$  :

no known exact non-sym LGR solution & 90 (or 74) free parameters !!!

→ no obvious « natural » way to get an order of magnitude ....

Expected (from de Sitter ???) :  $K \sim 1/10$  or less ... →  $\frac{dv_N}{dt} \sim \frac{1}{5} c H M^2 t$

→  $v \sim \frac{1}{10} (Ht)^2 c$  → some  $10^2$  or  $10^3$  km/s for  $Ht \sim \frac{1}{10}$  (→ ???)

## → going further ???

- developments including higher order terms ( $h^*L, h^*h, \dots$ )

- first order on a ( $L=0$ )-solution (instead of Minkowski)

→ (for instance) de Sitter (vacuum)

→ potentially includes non-sph local effects on a globally spher solution

$$g_{\alpha\beta} = \gamma_{\alpha\beta} + h_{\alpha\beta} \quad \text{with} \quad \gamma_{\alpha\beta} = \text{diag}(-1, a^2), \quad a = e^{Kt}, \quad K = \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda}{3}}$$

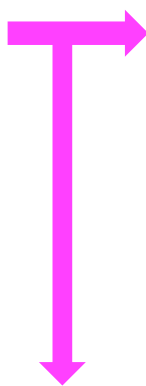
$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + e^{2Kt} (dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2) + h_{\alpha\beta} dx^\alpha dx^\beta \quad \text{with} \quad |h_{\alpha\beta}| \ll 1$$

Gauge choice : synchronous gauge  $h_{0\alpha} = 0$

Geodesic equation :  $\frac{d}{dt} \left( a^2 \frac{dx^k}{dt} \right) = 0$

→ as unperturbed de Sitter, but the link coordinates vs physics depends on  $h$  ....

**Field equations**



$$h_{ii} = U + a^2 V$$

and

$$\partial_k h_{ik} = \partial_i U + a^2 \Psi_i$$

with  $U(x, y, z)$  &  $V(x, y, z)$  &  $\Psi_i(x, y, z)$

and

$$a^{-2} (\partial_i \partial_k h_{jk} + \dots) + \partial_0 H_{ij} + K (H_{ij} + \delta_{ij} H) = 0 \quad \text{with} \quad H_{ij} = a^2 \partial_0 \left( \frac{h_{ij}}{a^2} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \partial_i \partial_i V - \partial_i \Psi_i + 4K^2 U = 0$$

time-dependent (only...) perturbation → OK

$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + \left( a^2 \delta_{ij} + \frac{P_{ij}}{a} \right) dx^i dx^j \quad \text{with} \quad P_{ii} = 1 \quad \left( \text{for} \frac{|P_{ij}|}{a^3} \ll 1 \right)$$

anisotropic effect (...but non-local ...)



Mixed time-(x,y,z) solutions ??? **In progress ...**

**Thank you for your attention**