

# Beyond the Einstein-Hilbert Action

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# I. Introduction : Why beyond GR

Einstein theory (General Relativity)

simple and beautiful theory

gravity : geometrical object

confirmed by several experiments and observation

three famous tests in the solar system

the light bending, the perihelion shift, Shapiro delay

binary pulsars

***So far NO DOUBT from observation and experiments***

Some discussions about “gravity” from a theoretical view point



We may consider gravitational theories beyond the EH action

***It might solve some fundamental problems.***

Dark Energy  
singularity

# (1) Extension of GR

- unification of gravity and e.m. field

Kaluza-Klein theory  $\Rightarrow$  a scalar field in 4D

- motivated by “Mach principle”

Scalar-tensor theory of gravity (Brans-Dicke theory)

- violation of Lorentz invariance

Einstein-Aether theory (vector-tensor theory) T. Jacobson

- MOND (dark matter)

TeVeS J. Bekenstein

$\Rightarrow$  universally coupled scalar or vector field as well as tensor ( $g_{\mu\nu}$ )

## (2) Effective action in QFT

Quantization of matter fields



divergence



finite theory

renormalization

### *counter terms*

a cosmological constant  $\Lambda$   
The EH action  $R$

+

Non-minimal coupling term

$$\frac{\xi}{2} \phi^2 R$$

Higher curvature terms

$$R^2, R_{AB}^2, R_{ABCD}^2$$

### (3) Effective model of unified theory

#### (i) Supergravity in higher dimensions (e.g. $N=1, D=11$ SG)

Higher-dimensional KK theories

dilaton, compactification (moduli)

⇒ Scalar-tensor type theory

#### (ii) Superstring in 10D (or M theory in 11D)

Supergravity in the FT limit ⇒ Scalar-tensor type theory

One-loop corrections ⇒ higher curvature terms

#### (iii) brane world

a singular hypersurface in a bulk

⇒ non-trivial contribution

As for a model of

**“Beyond the EH action”**

We may discuss a gravitational theory with the action

$$S = \int d^D x \sqrt{-g} F(g^{\mu\nu}, R_{\mu\nu}, C^\mu_{\nu\rho\sigma}, \psi)$$

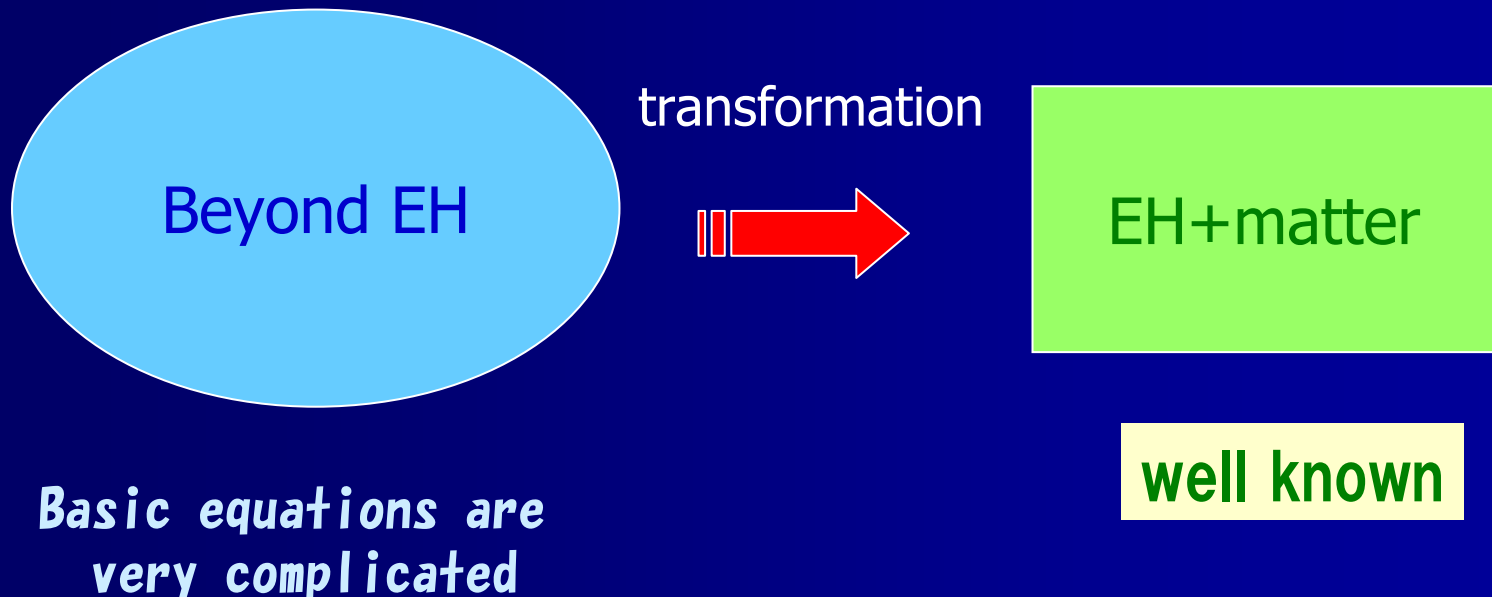
$F(\dots)$  : An arbitrary function

$\psi$  : matter fields including scalar fields

It may show some interesting properties of gravity  
But it is too complicated to analyze it

## II. Towards the EH action :

If we can find an equivalent gravitational theory only with the EH action by some transformation, it makes our discussion simpler.





# 1. A scalar-tensor type theory

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$$S = \int d^D x \sqrt{-g} \left[ f(\phi) R - \frac{\epsilon_\phi}{2} (\nabla \phi)^2 - V(\phi) \right]$$



$$\hat{g}_{\mu\nu} = e^{2\omega} g_{\mu\nu} \quad \text{a conformal transformation}$$

$$\omega = \frac{1}{D-2} \ln(2\kappa^2 |f(\phi)|)$$

$$S = \int d^D x \sqrt{-\hat{g}} \left[ \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} R(\hat{g}) - \frac{1}{2} (\nabla \sigma)^2 - U(\sigma) \right]$$

$$\kappa \sigma = \int d\phi \left[ \frac{\epsilon_\phi (D-2) f(\phi) + 2(D-1) (f'(\phi))^2}{2(D-2) f^2(\phi)} \right]^{1/2}$$

$$U(\sigma) = \epsilon_f [2\kappa^2 |f(\phi)|]^{-D/(D-2)}$$

## 2. $F(R, \phi)$ theory

$$S = \int d^D x \sqrt{-g} \left[ F(R, \phi) - \frac{\epsilon_\phi}{2} (\nabla \phi)^2 \right]$$

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higher derivatives

Jakubiec, Kijowski, GRG 19 (1987) 719 ;

Magnano, Ferraris, Francaviglia, GRG 19 (1987) 465 ;

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$$\hat{g}_{\mu\nu} = e^{2\omega} g_{\mu\nu} \quad \text{a conformal transformation}$$

$$\omega = \frac{1}{D-2} \ln \left[ 2\kappa^2 \left| \frac{\partial F}{\partial R} \right| \right] \quad \kappa\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{D-1}{D-2}} \ln \left[ 2\kappa^2 \left| \frac{\partial F}{\partial R} \right| \right]$$

“new degree of freedom”

$$S = \int d^D x \sqrt{-\hat{g}} \left[ \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} R(\hat{g}) - \frac{1}{2} (\hat{\nabla} \sigma)^2 - \frac{\epsilon_\phi \epsilon_F}{2} e^{-\sqrt{\frac{D-2}{D-1}} \kappa\sigma} (\nabla \phi)^2 - U(\phi, \sigma) \right]$$

$$U(\phi, \sigma) = \epsilon_F \left[ 2\kappa^2 \left| \frac{\partial F}{\partial R} \right| \right]^{-D/(D-2)} \left( R \frac{\partial F}{\partial R} - F(R) \right)$$

A simple example

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$$S = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [R + \alpha R^2]$$

: Starobinski type inflation

**It contains higher derivatives**

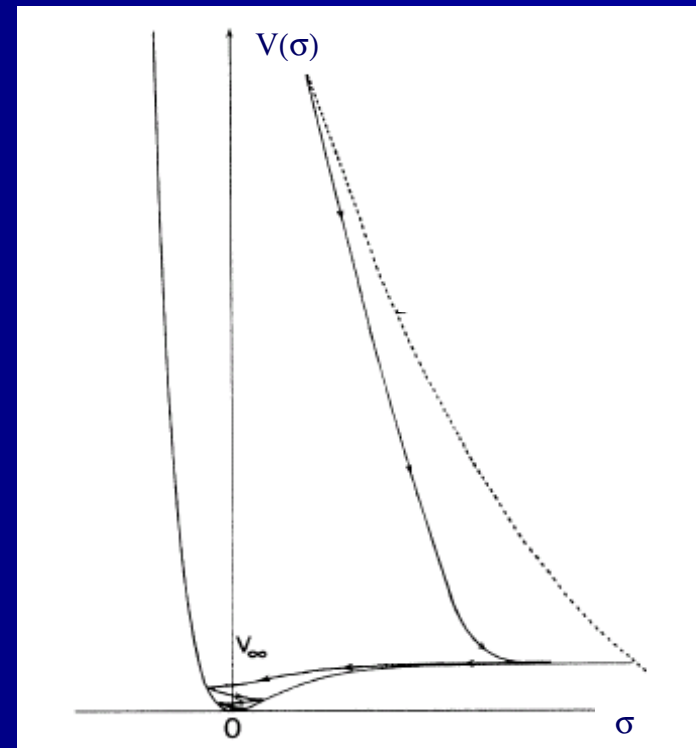
$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} R - \frac{1}{2} (\nabla\sigma)^2 - U(\sigma) \right]$$

GR + a scalar field with a potential  $U(\sigma)$

$$\kappa\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \ln(1 + 2\alpha R)$$

$$U(\sigma) = \frac{1}{8\alpha} \left( 1 - e^{\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}\kappa\sigma} \right)^2$$

It is easy to judge  
whether inflation occurs or not



### 3. $F(R_{\mu\nu})$ theory

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$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} F(g^{\mu\nu}, R_{\mu\nu})$$

$$\sqrt{-q} q^{\mu\nu} = 2\kappa^2 \times \sqrt{-g} \frac{\partial F}{\partial R_{\mu\nu}}$$

$$S = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-q} \left[ R(q, \partial q, \partial^2 q) + q^{\mu\nu} (C^\rho_{\rho\sigma} C^\sigma_{\mu\nu} - C^\rho_{\mu\sigma} C^\sigma_{\rho\nu}) \right. \\ \left. - q^{\mu\nu} \mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu}(g, q) + \frac{\sqrt{-g}}{\sqrt{-q}} F(\mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu}(g, q), g^{\alpha\beta}) \right] + S_{\text{matter}}(g^{\alpha\beta}, \psi)$$

$$C^\rho_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} g^{\rho\sigma} \left( \nabla_\mu^{(q)} g_{\nu\sigma} + \nabla_\nu^{(q)} g_{\mu\sigma} - \nabla_\sigma^{(q)} g_{\mu\nu} \right)$$

$$R_{\mu\nu} = \mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu}(g^{\alpha\beta}, q^{\gamma\delta})$$

The EH gravitational action + spin 2 field ( $g^{\mu\nu}$ ) + other matter fields

## 4. Palatini formalism

GR

$$S = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu} R_{\mu\nu}(\Gamma) + S_{\text{matter}}$$

metric  $g^{\alpha\beta}$ , connection  $\Gamma^{\alpha}_{\beta\gamma}$  : independent

Those variations give the Einstein equations

higher curvature gravitational theories

Allemandi, Borowiec, Francaviglia,  
PRD 70 (2004) 103503

Palatini formalism is not equivalent to  
that by the conventional metric variation

$$\nabla_{\alpha}^{(\Gamma)} (\sqrt{-g} f'(R) g^{\mu\nu}) = 0 \quad f(R) \equiv 2\kappa^2 F(R)$$

$\Gamma^{\alpha}_{\beta\gamma}$  is the Levi-Civita connection of  $h_{\mu\nu}$

$$\sqrt{-h} h^{\mu\nu} = \sqrt{-g} f'(R) g^{\mu\nu}$$

F(R) theory in vacuum

metric variation: GR + a scalar field with a potential  $U(\sigma)$

Palatini formalism: GR + a cosmological constant

## 5. Black hole entropy

GR

Bekenstein-Hawking entropy formula

$$S_{BH} = \frac{A}{4G}$$

Gravitational theory with higher curvature terms

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} F(g^{\mu\nu}, R^{\mu}_{\nu\rho\sigma})$$

Wald's entropy formula  $S_{BH}^{[W]}$  is not given by BH formula

Wald, PRD **48** (1993) 3427

Iyer, Wald, PRD **50** (1994) 846

Jacobson, Kang, Myers,

PRD **49** (1994) 6587;

PRD **52** (1995) 3518

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} F(g^{\mu\nu}, R_{\mu\nu})$$

$$\sqrt{-q} q^{\mu\nu} = 2\kappa^2 \times \sqrt{-g} \frac{\partial F}{\partial R_{\mu\nu}} \quad \begin{array}{l} q\text{-frame} \\ \text{(Einstein frame)} \end{array}$$

$$S_{BH}^{[W]} = \frac{A_q}{4G} \quad A_q : \text{area of horizon in } q\text{-frame}$$

$$S = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^D x \sqrt{-g} \left[ R - \frac{1}{2} (\partial\phi)^2 - \frac{1}{4} e^{\alpha\phi} F^2 + e^{\alpha\phi} (aR^2 - bR_{AB}^2 + cR_{ABCD}^2) \right]$$

near horizon  $AdS_2 \times S^{D-2}$

$$ds^2 = v_1 \left( -r^2 dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{r^2} \right) + v_2 d\Omega_{D-2}^2$$

$$R = -\frac{2}{v_1} + \frac{(D-2)(D-3)}{v_2} \quad R_{AB}^2 = \frac{2}{v_1^2} + \frac{(D-2)(D-3)^2}{v_2^2}$$

$$R_{ABCD}^2 = \frac{4}{v_1^2} + \frac{2(D-2)(D-3)}{v_2^2}$$

$$S_{BH}^{[W]} = \frac{D(D-3)b - 2(D^2 - 5D + 8)c}{2[(D-3)b - 2c]} \times \frac{A}{4G}$$



$$R_{ABCD}^2 \approx \frac{2}{D^2(D-3)} \left[ -(D-4)^2 R^2 + D(D^2 - 5D + 8) R_{AB}^2 - 2(D-4)R \sqrt{2(D-2)(DR_{AB}^2 - R^2)} \right]$$

$$S \simeq \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^D x \sqrt{-g} \left[ R - \frac{1}{2} (\partial\phi)^2 - \frac{1}{4} e^{\alpha\phi} F^2 + e^{\alpha\phi} \left( \tilde{a} R^2 - \tilde{b} R_{AB}^2 - \tilde{d} R \sqrt{2(D-2)(DR_{AB}^2 - R^2)} \right) \right]$$

$$\tilde{a} = a - \frac{2(D-4)^2}{D^2(D-3)} c, \quad \tilde{b} = b - \frac{2(D^2 - 5D + 8)}{D(D-3)} c, \quad \tilde{d} = \frac{4(D-4)}{D^2(D-3)} c$$

$$\sqrt{-q} q^{AB} = \sqrt{-g} \left[ \left( 1 - \tilde{d} e^{\alpha\phi} \sqrt{2D(D-2)R_{CD}^2} \right) g^{AB} - 2\tilde{b} e^{\alpha\phi} R^{AB} \right]$$

field redefinition

$$\Rightarrow A_q = \frac{D(D-3)b - 2(D^2 - 5D + 8)c}{2[(D-3)b - 2c]} A_g$$

$$S_{BH}^{[W]} = \frac{A_q}{4G}$$

### III. The case with Weyl curvature terms

#### String theory with higher-order correction terms

$$S = \int d^D x \sqrt{-g} \left[ \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} R + c_1 \alpha' e^{-2\Phi} L_2 + c_2 \alpha'^2 e^{-4\Phi} L_3 + c_3 \alpha'^3 e^{-6\Phi} L_4 + \dots \right]$$

$$L_2 = R_{\mu\nu\sigma\rho} R^{\mu\nu\sigma\rho} - 4R_{\mu\nu} R^{\mu\nu} + R^2 \quad : \text{Gauss-Bonnet term}$$

$$L_m = (\text{Lovelock})_m + (\text{higher derivative terms}) \quad (m = 3, 4, \dots)$$

**Bento, Bertolami, Phys. Lett. B 368 (1996) 198**

theories	$c_1$	$c_2$	$c_3$
bosonic string	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{48}$	$\frac{1}{8}$
heterotic string	$\frac{1}{8}$	0	$\frac{1}{8}$
type II string	0	0	$\frac{1}{8}$

# Type II string (or M theory)

## The effective action

$$S = \frac{1}{2\kappa_D^2} \int d^D x \sqrt{-g} (R + \alpha_4 E_8 + \gamma J_0)$$

$$E_8 = -\frac{1}{2^4 \times (D-8)!} \epsilon^{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \dots \alpha_{D-8} \rho_1 \sigma_1 \dots \rho_4 \sigma_4} \epsilon_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \dots \alpha_{D-8} \mu_1 \nu_1 \dots \mu_4 \nu_4} \\ \times R^{\mu_2 \nu_2}_{\rho_2 \sigma_2} R^{\mu_3 \nu_3}_{\rho_3 \sigma_3} R^{\mu_4 \nu_4}_{\rho_4 \sigma_4}$$

$$J_0 = C^{\lambda \mu \nu \kappa} C_{\alpha \mu \nu \beta} C_{\lambda}^{\alpha \rho \sigma} C_{\rho \sigma \kappa}^{\beta} + \frac{1}{2} C^{\lambda \kappa \mu \nu} C_{\alpha \beta \mu \nu} C_{\lambda}^{\rho \sigma \alpha} C_{\rho \sigma \kappa}^{\beta}$$

$$\alpha_4 = \frac{\kappa_{11}^2 T_2}{3^2 \times 2^9 \times (2\pi)^4} \quad \gamma = \frac{\kappa_{11}^2 T_2}{3 \times 2^4 \times (2\pi)^4}$$

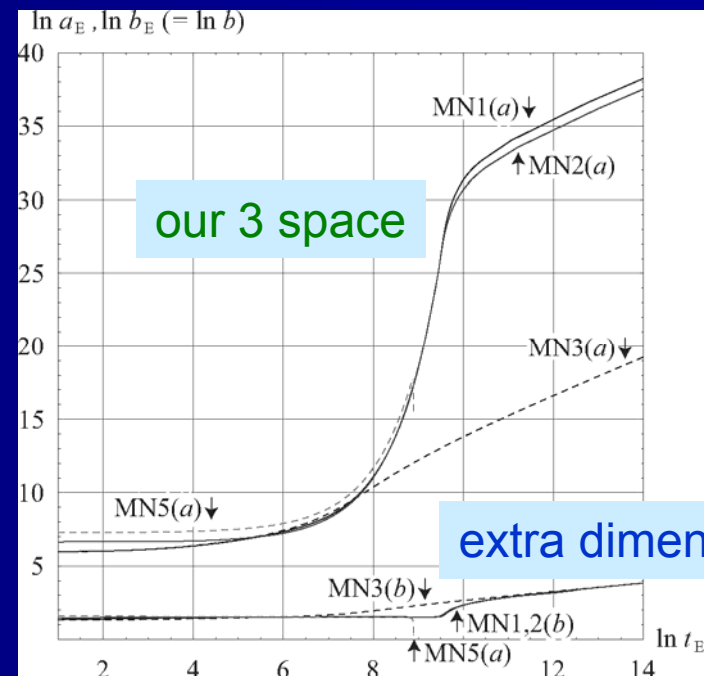
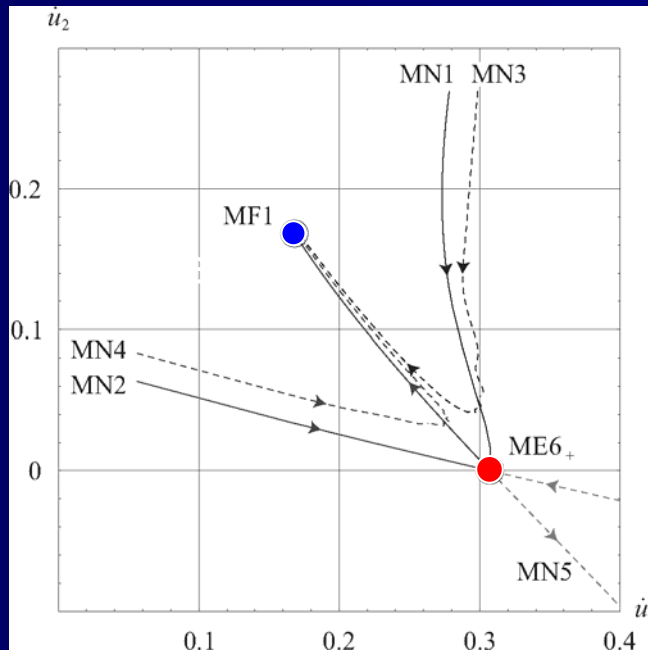
$$T_2 = (2\pi^2 / \kappa_{11}^2)^{1/3} \quad \text{membrane tension}$$

# Cosmology with higher curvature

KM, N. Ohta, PLB (04), PRD (05)  
K. Akune, KM, N. Ohta, PRD (06)

$$ds_{11}^2 = -dt^2 + a^2 \sum_{i=1}^3 (dx^i)^2 + b^2 \sum_{a=5}^{11} (dy^a)^2$$

de Sitter : tangent attractor



inflationary phase

◆ reheating ?

◆ graceful exit ?

# Black Hole ?

preliminary

with N. Ohta, Y. Sasagawa

$$ds_D^2 = -f(r)e^{2\delta(r)}dt^2 + \frac{1}{f(r)}dr^2 + r^2 h_{ij}dx^i dx^j$$

maximally symmetric

## numerical solution

- regular horizon
- ~~asymptotically flat (or AdS)~~

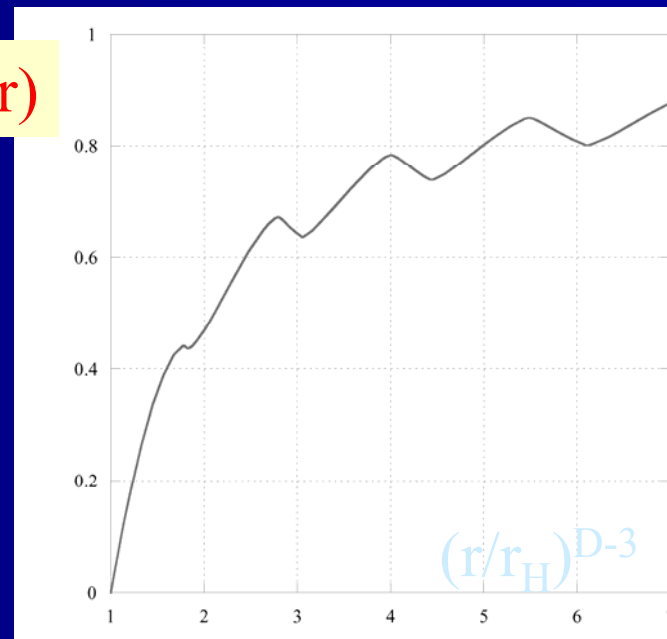


**oscillation**

decays slower than mass term

$$M/r^{D-3}$$

**f(r)**



- A. Sen: heterotic string with HD correction, JHEP (05)
- B. V. Hubeny, A. Maloney, M. Rangamani: 4D with HD, JHEP(05)
- A. Castro, J.L. Davis, P. Kraus, F. Larsen: 5D SG (07)

**Sen: remove it by field redefinition ?**

## IV. Summary

We discuss gravitational theories beyond the EH action

(1) Why we consider “beyond the EH action”

***Such theories might solve some fundamental problems.***

(2) How to discuss such theories

***Towards the EH action***

(3) The case with Weyl curvature terms

***Better approach ?***