

# Bigravity from DGP 2-brane model



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# bigravity and Boulware-Deser ghost

bigravity : gravitational theory which contains two gravitons interacting each other

$$S = \frac{M_{pl}^2}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} [R + \underline{V(g, \tilde{g})}] + \frac{\chi M_{pl}^2}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-\tilde{g}} \tilde{R}$$

fix  $\tilde{g}$

The interaction term breaks general covariance for  $g$

→ GR ( helicity-2 ) + 4 gauge breaking ( helicity-1, helicity-0, helicity-0 )

massive graviton

This mode's kinetic term has opposite sign!!

**Boulware-Deser ghost**

Boulware and Deser (1972)

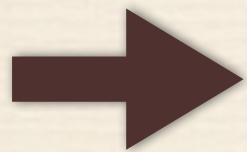
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# ghost-free bigravity

To avoid BD ghost, the interaction  $V$  should be tuned as

$$V = m^2 \sum_{n=0}^4 c_n \epsilon_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_n}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} \mathcal{K}_{\mu_1}^{\nu_1} \dots \mathcal{K}_{\mu_n}^{\nu_n}, \quad \mathcal{K}_{\mu}^{\nu} = \sqrt{g^{\nu\rho} \tilde{g}_{\rho\mu}}$$

de Rham, Gabadadze, Tolley (2011)  
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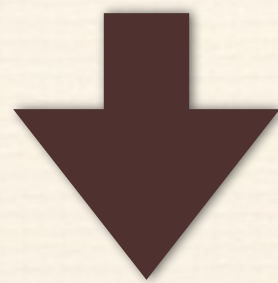
- ❖ We can construct a realistic cosmological model at low energies.
- ❖ The gravitational wave has a characteristic feature.

... two gravitons cause “graviton oscillation” like neutrino oscillation



# Questions in ghost-free bigravity

- ❖ What is the hidden metric?
- ❖ The form of the interaction is derived technically and artificially.
  - ... What is the mechanism that tune the interaction to the ghost-free one?



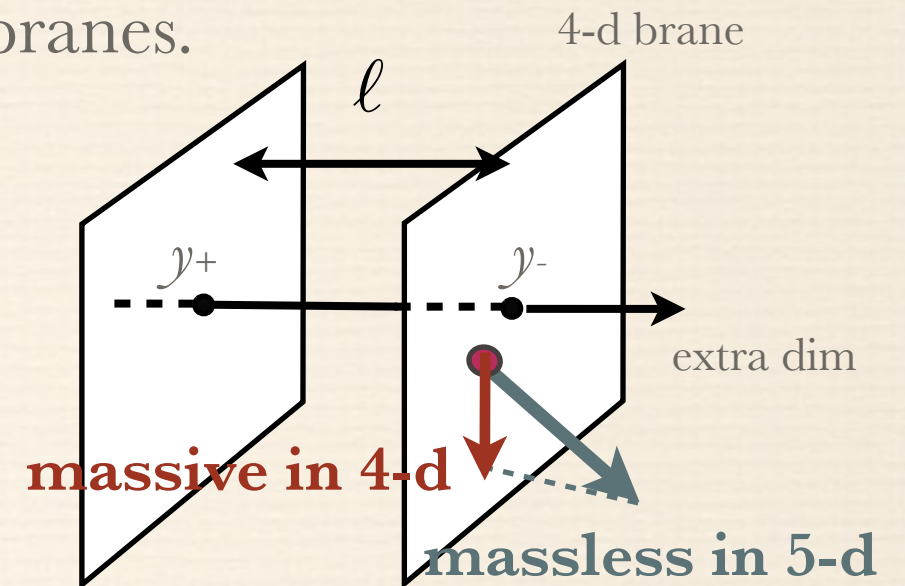
embed ghost-free bigravity  
to **higher dimensional gravity.**



# Why higher dimensional theory?

Consider 5-dim braneworld model sandwiched by two branes.

$$S = \frac{M_5^3}{2} \int d^5x \sqrt{-g} R + (\text{boundary term})$$



- ❖ There is no BD ghost problem.
- ❖ two metrics induced on two branes  $\Leftrightarrow$  two metrics in bigravity
- ❖ 5-dim massless graviton  
= 1 massless and infinite # of massive gravitons on the branes

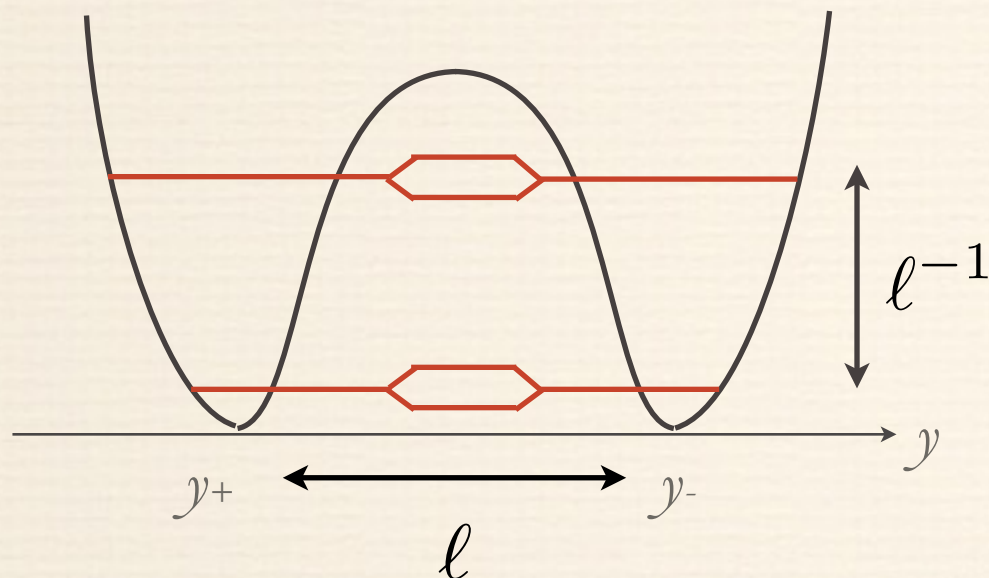
The 4-d effective theory contains **one massless graviton**,  
**infinite # of massive gravitons** and **one scalar** (radion=brane separation).



# Model

In order to obtain bigravity, only one massive mode is to be kept at low energies.

effective potential of gravity



high potential barrier ( $l \ll \text{depth}$ )

→ nearly degenerate two small mass



## Dvali-Gabadadze-Poratti model

$$S = \frac{M_5^3}{2} \left[ \int d^5x \sqrt{-g^5} R + \overbrace{2r_c^{(+)}}^{\text{potential depth}} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g_+} (R_+ - 2\sigma_+) + \overbrace{2r_c^{(-)}} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g_-} (R_- - 2\sigma_-) \right]$$

induced gravity terms = potential wells

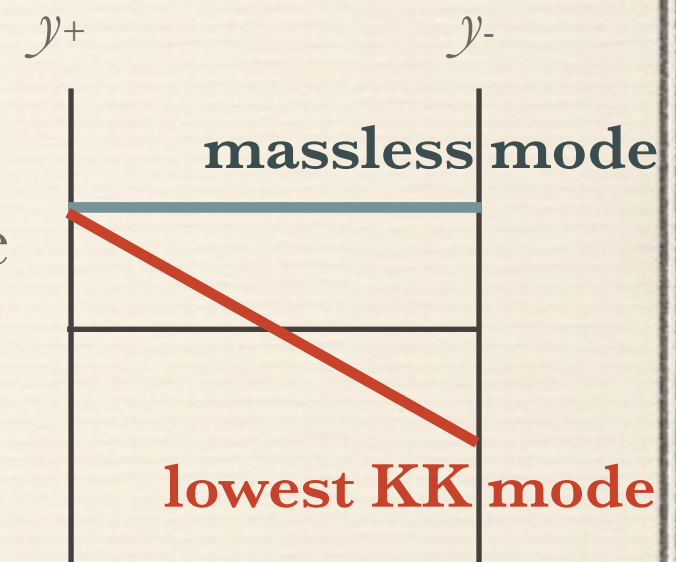


# graviton's mass spectrum

bulk equation:  $G_{ab} = 0 \quad \sim \quad \left( \partial_y^2 + \square^{(4)} \right) \delta g_{ab} = 0, \quad \square^{(4)} = m^2$

junction condition:  $K_{\mu\nu}^{(\pm)} = r_c^{(\pm)} \left( G_{\mu\nu}^{\pm(4)} - \frac{1}{3} G^{\pm(4)} g_{\mu\nu} \right) \sim \partial_y \delta g_{\mu\nu} = r_c m_1^2 \delta g_{\mu\nu}$

For  $\ell \ll r_c$ , the mode functions for the mass eigenstates become



When  $\ell \ll r_c$ , the junction condition becomes

$$\frac{\delta g_{\mu\nu}}{\ell} \sim r_c m_1^2 \delta g_{\mu\nu}$$



$$m_1^2 \sim \frac{1}{r_c \ell} \ll \frac{1}{\ell^2} \sim m_2^2$$

**hierarchy**



# Stabilization mechanism (Goldberger & Wise)

There is an extra scalar d.o.f. corresponding to the brane separation.

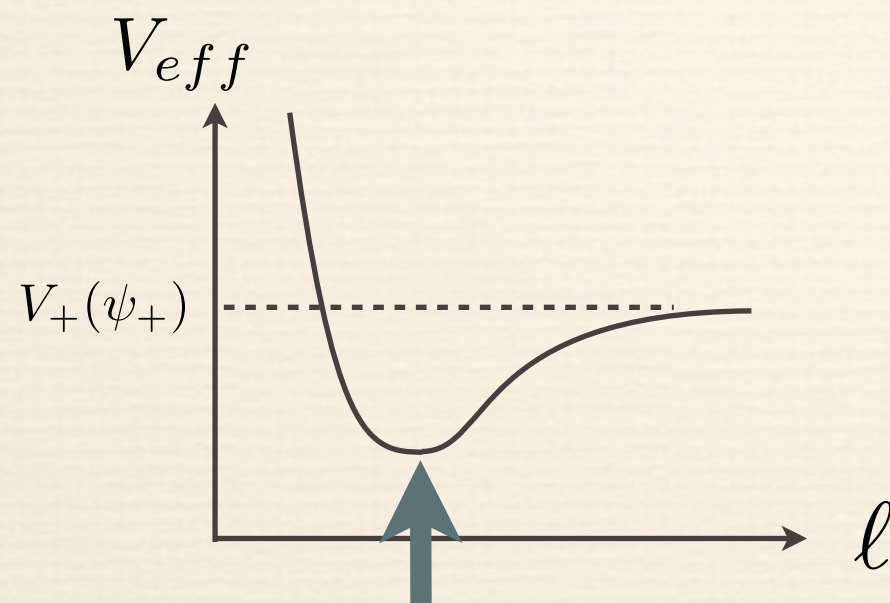
... We should remove it to reproduce a pure bigravity.

We introduce a stabilization scalar field to fix the brane separation.

$$S_s = \int d^5x \sqrt{-g} \left( -\frac{1}{2} g^{ab} \psi_{,a} \psi_{,b} - V_B(\psi) - \sum_{\sigma=\pm} \frac{V_{(\sigma)}(\psi) \delta(y - y_\sigma)}{\ell} \right)$$

$\psi(y_\pm) : \text{fixed}$

$\partial_y \psi \rightarrow \infty$  as  $\ell \rightarrow 0$



The distance between two branes are stabilized.



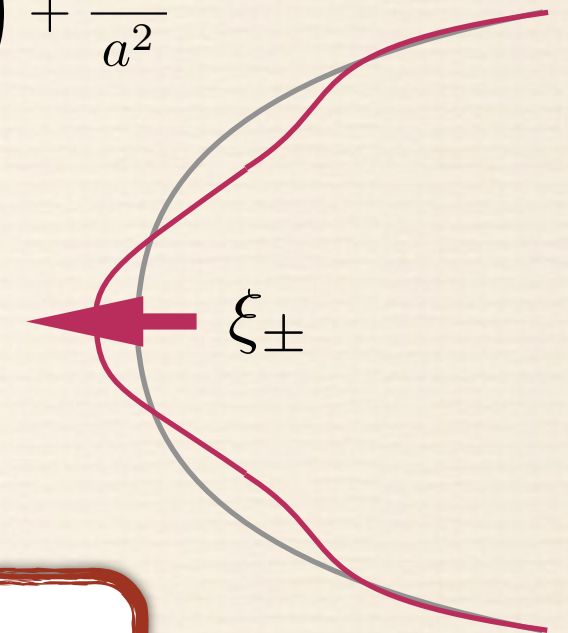
# Normal and Self-accelerating branches

For simplicity, we consider a perturbation around a de Sitter brane solution  
with 4-d comoving curvature  $H$ .

$$ds^2 = dy^2 + a^2(y)\gamma_{\mu\nu}dx^\mu dx^\nu \quad K^2 := \left(\frac{\partial_y a}{a}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{6M_5^3} \left(\frac{1}{2}\psi'^2 - V_B\right) + \frac{H^2}{a^2}$$

brane bending mode  $\xi_\pm$

$$\left(1 \mp 2r_c^{(\pm)} K_\pm\right) \xi_\pm \propto \pm \frac{1}{(\square + 4H^2)} T^{(\pm)}$$



To choose the healthy branch (normal branch),

$$1 \mp 2r_c^{(\pm)} K_\pm > 0 \quad \text{must be satisfied.}$$

junction condition  $K \sim r_c H^2 \longrightarrow H \lesssim \frac{1}{r_c^{(\pm)}} : \text{the 4-d curvature cannot be large.}$



# DGP 2-brane model with stabilization mechanism which reproduces bigravity

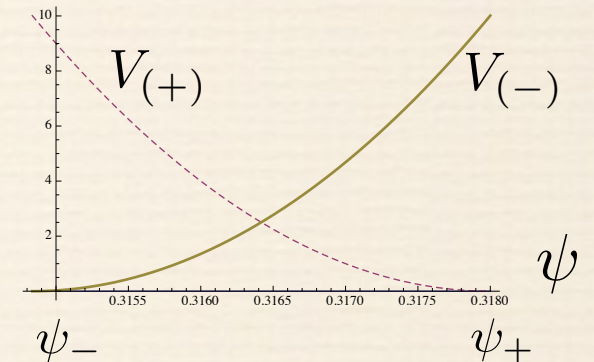
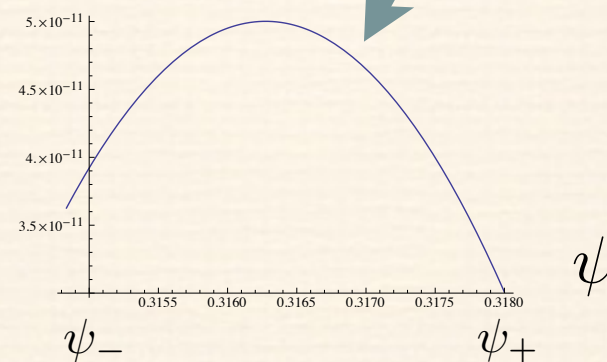
parameters

$$M_5 = 1.00$$

$$r_c^{(\pm)} = 1.00 \times 10^5, \quad \ell = 1.00$$

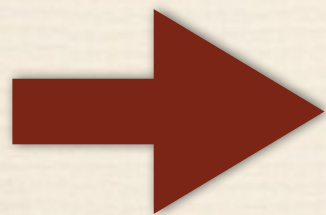
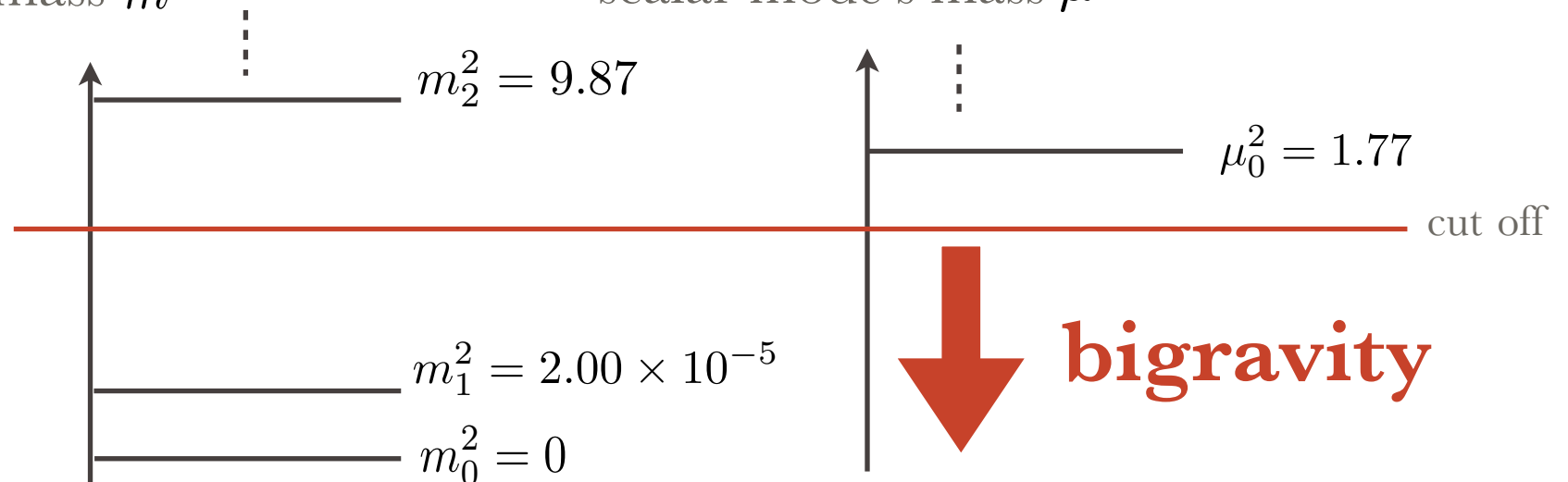
potential of scalar field

$$S_s = \int d^5x \sqrt{-g} \left( -\frac{1}{2} g^{ab} \psi_{,a} \psi_{,b} - \frac{V_B(\psi)}{\quad} - \sum_{\sigma=\pm} \frac{V_{(\sigma)}(\psi) \delta(y - y_\sigma)}{\quad} \right)$$



graviton's mass  $m^2$

scalar mode's mass  $\mu^2$



**bigravity**



## Let us see how bigravity arises as an effective theory from DGP 2-brane model.

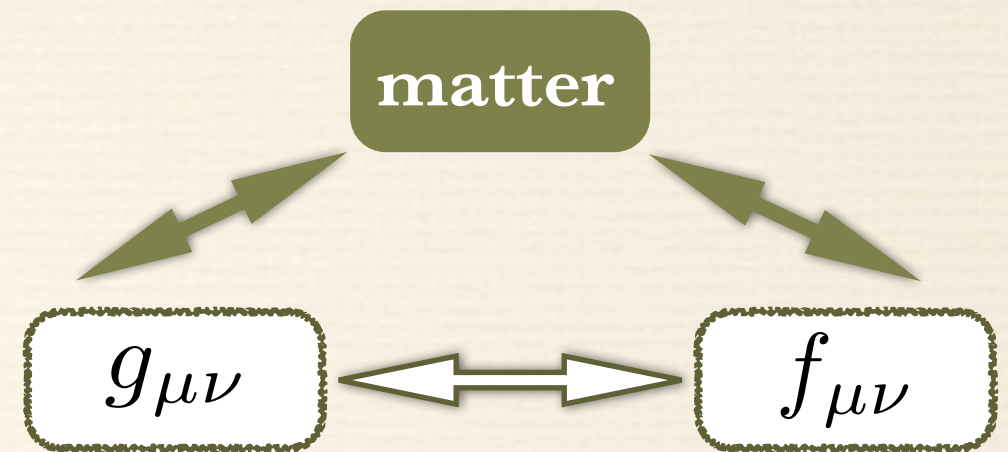
- ❖ For simplicity, we neglect radion stabilization.
- ❖ Therefore we consider a system which contains two gravitons and one scalar.

...radion as a doubly coupled matter?

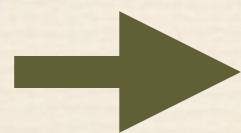


# radion as a doubly coupled matter

In bigravity, doubly coupled matter generally breaks the ghost-free interaction structure.



In braneworld model, **radion couples both metrics ghost-freely.**



We expect to obtain a ghost-free doubly coupled matter model from radion.



# Strategy to obtain bigravity action

We solve the bulk equations for given boundary metrics  $g_{\mu\nu}^{(\pm)}$

$$\frac{1}{N} \partial_y K_{\mu\nu} = -2K_{\mu}^{\rho} K_{\rho\nu} + K K_{\mu\nu} + \frac{4}{\ell_{\Lambda}^2} g_{\mu\nu} - R_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{N} \nabla_{\mu} \nabla_{\nu} N$$

$$K^2 - K_{\nu}^{\mu} K_{\mu}^{\nu} = -\frac{12}{\ell_{\Lambda}^2} + R \quad K_{\mu\nu} = -\frac{1}{2N} \partial_y g_{\mu\nu}$$

gauge fix:  $\partial_y N = 0$ ,  $N^{\mu} = 0$

The momentum constraints is automatically imposed by the junction conditions:

$$K_{\mu\nu}^{(\pm)} - K^{(\pm)} g_{\mu\nu} = r_c^{(\pm)} G_{\mu\nu} \quad \rightarrow \quad \nabla_{\mu} K_{\nu}^{\mu} - \nabla_{\nu} K = 0$$

and obtain the effective action from

$$S = \frac{M_{pl}^2}{2r_c^{(+)}} \oint d^5x \sqrt{-g} \left( R + K^2 - K_{\nu}^{\mu} K_{\mu}^{\nu} - \frac{12}{\ell_{\Lambda}^2} \right) + (\text{induced gravity term})$$

by substituting back the bulk metric solution  $g_{\mu\nu}(y)$

and integrating out the bulk degree of freedom.



# Gradient expansion

To obtain bigravity, the parameter is to be tuned as  $\frac{\ell}{r_c^{(\pm)}} \ll 1 \rightarrow m^2 \simeq \frac{1}{r_c^{(\pm)} \ell}$

$r_c^{(\pm)} K \lesssim 1$  should be satisfied for the ghost-free branch.



## gradient expansion

We calculate the effective action at the leading order the expansion in  $K\ell \ll 1$

$$\Delta g_{\mu\nu} := g_{\mu\nu}^{(+)} - g_{\mu\nu}^{(-)} \sim \mathcal{O}(K\ell)$$

$$r_c^{(\pm)} \sim \mathcal{O}(1/K), \quad m^2 \sim k^2 \sim \mathcal{O}(K/\ell)$$



# To compute the effective action

Expand the metric around the middle point of the branes ( $y=0$ )

$$g_{\mu\nu}^{(\pm)} = \bar{g}_{\mu\nu} + \overline{\partial_y g_{\mu\nu}} y^\pm + \frac{1}{2} \overline{\partial_y^2 g_{\mu\nu}} (y^\pm)^2 + \dots$$

$$= -2\bar{K}_{\mu\nu} \quad = -2N \overline{\partial_y K_{\mu\nu}}$$

$$\frac{1}{N} \partial_y K_{\mu\nu} = -2K_\mu^\rho K_{\rho\nu} + K K_{\mu\nu} + \frac{4}{\ell_\Lambda^2} g_{\mu\nu} - R_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{N} \nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu N$$

➔  $\bar{K}_{\mu\nu}$  and  $\bar{g}_{\mu\nu}$  can be written in terms of  $g_{\mu\nu}^{(\pm)}$  and  $\Phi := \frac{1}{2} N \ell$

Hamiltonian constraint  $K^2 - K_\nu^\mu K_\mu^\nu = -\frac{12}{\ell_\Lambda^2} + R$  determines  $\Phi$  in terms of  $g_{\mu\nu}^{(\pm)}$

The bulk action is expanded as

$$S_b \propto \int d^4x N dy \left[ \sqrt{-\bar{g}} \left( \bar{R} - \frac{12}{\ell_\Lambda^2} \right) + y \frac{\overline{\delta \left( \sqrt{-g} \left( R - \frac{12}{\ell_\Lambda^2} \right) \right)}}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}} \overline{\partial_y g_{\mu\nu}} + \frac{y^2}{2} \overline{\partial_y \left( \frac{\delta \left( \sqrt{-g} \left( R - \frac{12}{\ell_\Lambda^2} \right) \right)}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}} \partial_y g_{\mu\nu} \right)} + \dots \right]$$



# Result

At the **leading order of gradient expansion**,

$$S = \frac{M_{pl}^2}{2} \frac{2}{r_c^{(+)}} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ \frac{\Delta g^2 - \Delta g_{\mu\nu} \Delta g^{\mu\nu}}{16\Phi} + \frac{\Phi}{3} (\nabla^\mu \nabla^\nu - g^{\mu\nu} \square - R^{\mu\nu}) \left( (\nabla_\mu \Phi) (\nabla_\nu \Phi) - \frac{\Phi^2}{\ell_\Lambda^2} g_{\mu\nu} \right) \right] + (\text{induced gravity terms})$$

$\ell_\Lambda$  : 5-d cosmological constant

$\nabla$  is the covariant differentiation with respect to  $g_{\mu\nu}$ ,

which is **indistinguishable** from  $g_{\mu\nu}^{(+)}$ ,  $g_{\mu\nu}^{(-)}$ , and  $\frac{1}{2} (g_{\mu\nu}^{(+)} + g_{\mu\nu}^{(-)})$ .

$\Phi := \frac{1}{2} N \ell$  is determined by the Hamiltonian constraint:

$$C := \bar{R} - \frac{12}{\ell_\Lambda^2} - \frac{\Delta g^2 - \Delta g_{\mu\nu} \Delta g^{\mu\nu}}{16\Phi^2} = 0 \quad \text{where} \quad \bar{g}_{\mu\nu} = \frac{g_{\mu\nu}^{(+)} + g_{\mu\nu}^{(-)}}{2} + \Phi \nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \Phi + \frac{\Phi^2}{\ell_\Lambda^2} g_{\mu\nu}$$

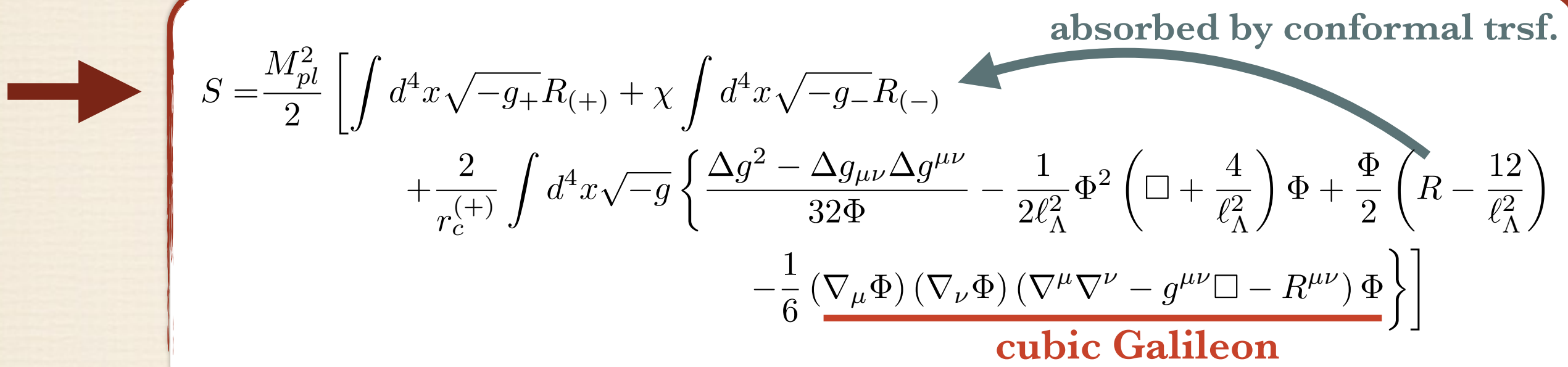


# Result

treat  $\Phi$  as an independent variable by adding  $\lambda \left( \bar{R} - \frac{12}{\ell_\Lambda^2} - \frac{\Delta g^2 - \Delta g_{\mu\nu} \Delta g^{\mu\nu}}{\Phi^2} \right)$

and eliminate Lagrange multiplier  $\lambda$  using EOM of  $\Phi$

absorbed by conformal trsf.



$$S = \frac{M_{pl}^2}{2} \left[ \int d^4x \sqrt{-g_+} R_{(+)} + \chi \int d^4x \sqrt{-g_-} R_{(-)} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{2}{r_c^{(+)}} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left\{ \frac{\Delta g^2 - \Delta g_{\mu\nu} \Delta g^{\mu\nu}}{32\Phi} - \frac{1}{2\ell_\Lambda^2} \Phi^2 \left( \square + \frac{4}{\ell_\Lambda^2} \right) \Phi + \frac{\Phi}{2} \left( R - \frac{12}{\ell_\Lambda^2} \right) \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. - \frac{1}{6} \underbrace{(\nabla_\mu \Phi) (\nabla_\nu \Phi) (\nabla^\mu \nabla^\nu - g^{\mu\nu} \square - R^{\mu\nu}) \Phi}_{\text{cubic Galileon}} \right\} \right]$$

We obtain a well-known ghost-free system with two interacting gravitons and a scalar.

At the leading order of the gradient expansion,

- we cannot examine
- ❖ form of nonlinear mass interactions
  - ❖ the coupling of radion as a doubly coupled matter



# Summary

- ❖ We want to derive the ghost-free bigravity from some more fundamental theory.  
... **DGP 2-brane model** mass spectrum can reproduce bigravity.
- ❖ We calculate the effective action under **gradient expansion**, in which the brane separation is so small that the metric does not change significantly along  $y$ -direction, by solving the bulk equations and integrating out the bulk degrees of freedom.  
We obtain **a well-known ghost-free bigravity and one scalar system**.
- ❖ The extension to the higher order of gradient expansion is difficult because it will produce complicated and higher-derivative interactions, which may correspond to the appearance of the other massive KK modes.



# Future work

In order to investigate the higher order term in  $g_{\mu\nu}^{(+)} - g_{\mu\nu}^{(-)}$ ,

we should avoid  $K \lesssim 1/r_c^{(\pm)}$  (the ghost-free branch condition).

- ... ❖ Choose the pathological branch and fix the radion by hand.
- ❖ Relax the ghost-free branch condition:

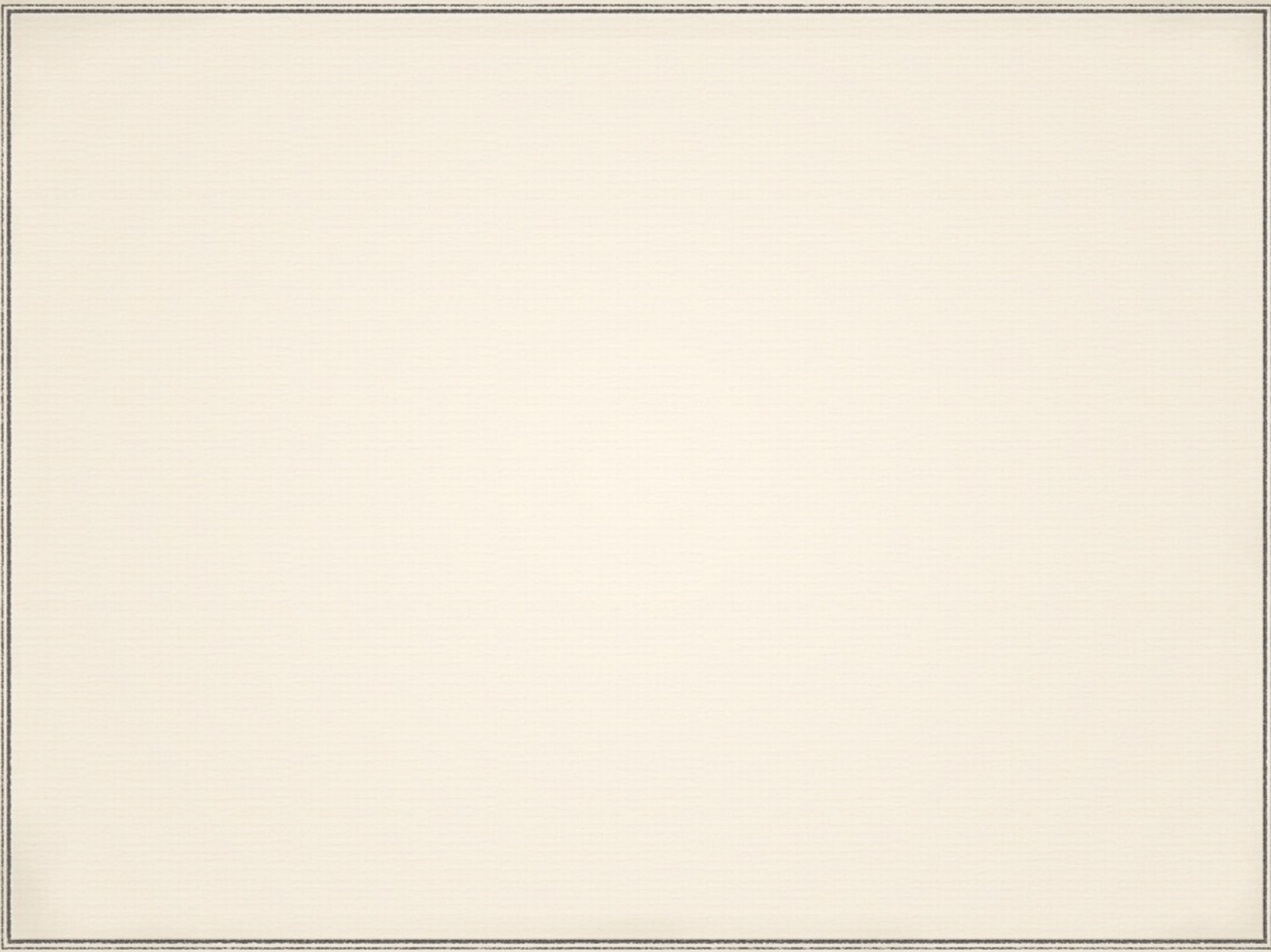
The branch crossing occurs at the point that the scalar mode

strongly couples to the source:  $\left(1 \mp 2r_c^{(\pm)} K_{\pm}\right) \xi_{\pm} \propto \pm \frac{1}{(\square + 4H^2)} T^{(\pm)}$



Introduce Gauss-Bonnet term and weaken the coupling between the radio and metric effectively.







# Correspondence between ghost-free bigravity and DGP 2-brane model with stabilization mechanism

When the two branes are almost flat,

DGP 2-brane model is identical to ghost-free bigravity.

**ghost-free bigravity**

two metrics

graviton's mass



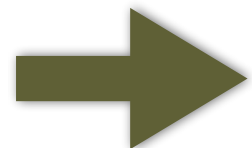
**DGP 2-brane model**

two metrics induced on the two branes

the mass of the lowest massive mode

YY and Tanaka (2014)

However, can we really embed bigravity to braneworld setup?

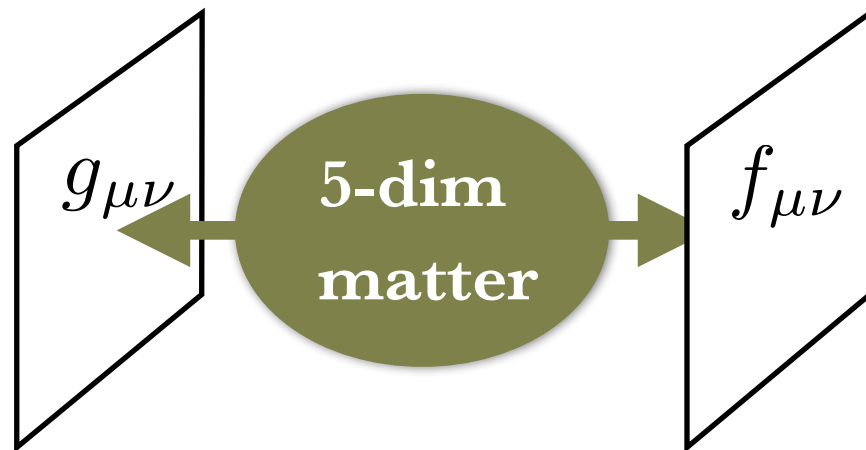


Consider **doubly coupled matter** to test this idea.



# doubly coupled matter

## brane model



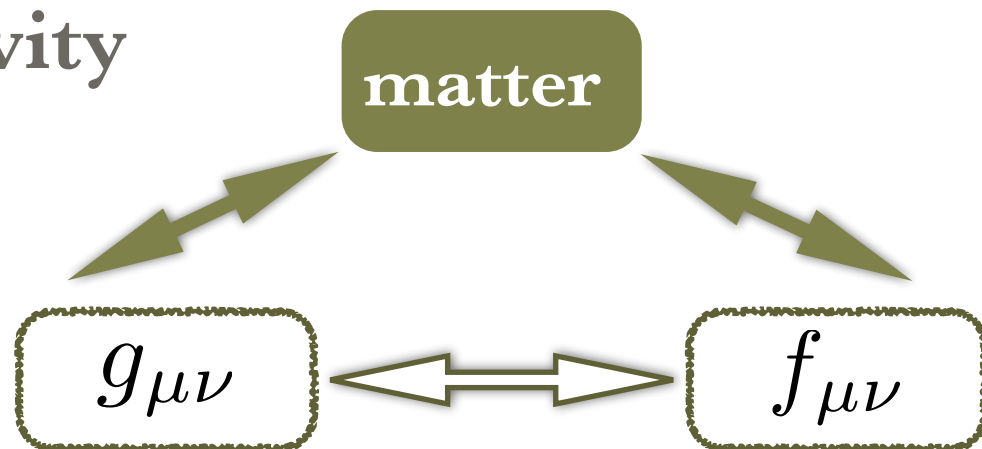
Introducing 5-d matter, we can naturally obtain a matter field which couples to both metrics.

→ **BD ghost seems absent.**



**contradiction**

## bigravity



coupling through the matter generally detunes the ghost-free structure of the interaction.

→ **BD ghost appears?**

...There seems to be a difficulty in our attempt.



# Seeking for models with doubly coupled matter which have no BD ghost

Introduce a k-essence scalar field

$$\mathcal{L}_m = \sqrt{-g} P(X, \phi) + \sqrt{-f} \tilde{P}(\tilde{X}, \phi)$$

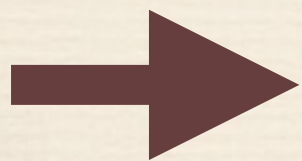
$$X = -\frac{1}{2} g^{\alpha\beta} \partial_\alpha \phi \partial_\beta \phi, \quad \tilde{X} = -\frac{1}{2} f^{\alpha\beta} \partial_\alpha \phi \partial_\beta \phi$$

Consider perturbation around FLRW and Bianchi type-1 spacetime

and evaluate the determinant and the eigenvalues of the kinetic matrix  $A$ .

When  $\det A \neq 0$ ,  
an extra d.o.f. exists.

their signs clarify  
whether the d.o.f. is a ghost mode or not.

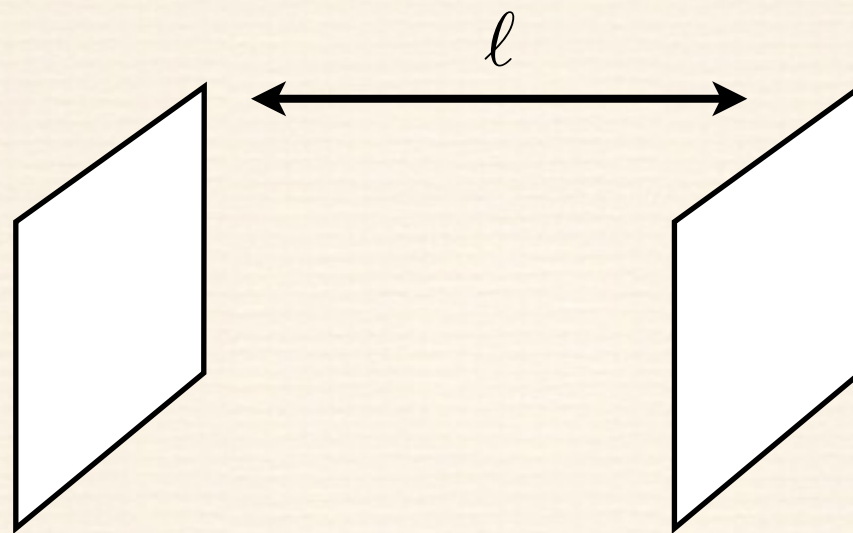


**BD ghost appears unless  $\tilde{P} = \tilde{P}(\phi)$  or  $P = P(\phi)$**



# Radion as a doubly coupled matter

Radion: a degree of freedom which corresponds to the brane separation



We will check how radion couples to the two metrics in 4-dim effective theory.

...We can obtain a ghost free model in bigravity with doubly coupled matter or find how the correspondence breaks between ghost-free bigravity and braneworld model.



# bigravity and Boulware-Deser ghost

bigravity : gravity which contains two interacting gravitons

$$S = \frac{M_g^2}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ R^{(g)} + \underline{2m^2 V(g, f)} \right] + \frac{M_f^2}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-f} R^{(f)}$$

~~fix  $f$~~

The interaction term breaks general covariance for  $g$

→ GR ( helicity-2 ) + 4 gauge breaking ( helicity-1, helicity-0, helicity-0 )

massive graviton

This mode's kinetic term  
has opposite sign!!

**Boulware-Deser ghost**

Boulware and Deser (1972)

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so that the ghost mode is removed by constraints.



# ghost-free bigravity

Choosing the form of the interaction as

$$V = \sum_{n=0}^4 c_n \epsilon_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_n}^{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} K_{\mu_1}^{\nu_1} \dots K_{\mu_n}^{\nu_n} \quad K_{\mu}^{\nu} = \sqrt{g^{\nu\rho} f_{\rho\mu}}$$

de Rham, Gabadadze, Tolley  
(2011)



ADM decomposition

$$N^{-2} = -g^{00}, \quad N_i = g_{0i}, \quad \gamma_{ij} = g_{ij},$$

$$L^{-2} = -f^{00}, \quad L_i = f_{0i}, \quad {}^3f_{ij} = f_{ij}.$$

define new shift-like vector  $n^i$   
and rewrite  $N^i$  with  $n^i$

Then Hamiltonian becomes linear in  $N, L, L^i$ .

$$H = NC + LC^L + L^i C_i^L.$$

$C, C^L, C_i^L$  are functions of  $\{\gamma_{ij}, \pi^{ij}, {}^3f_{ij}, p^{ij}\}$

conjugate momentum

→ One of the Hamiltonian constraints kills BD ghost.

Hassan and Rosen (2012)



# mass spectrum (scalar mode)

stabilization mechanism  $\rightarrow$  **no massless mode**

If stabilization is weak:  $\left| \frac{\partial_y \mathcal{H}}{\mathcal{H}^2} \right| \sim \frac{(\partial_y \psi)^2}{M_5^3 \mathcal{H}^2} \ll 1$

the lowest mass becomes

$$\mu^2 \approx \frac{2 \int_{y_+}^{y_-} \frac{dy}{a^2} + \sum_{\sigma} \frac{2r_c^{(\sigma)}}{a_{\sigma}^2} \frac{1}{1 - \sigma 2r_c^{(\sigma)} \mathcal{H}_{\sigma}}}{\int_{y_+}^{y_-} \frac{dy}{a^4 (-\mathcal{H}' )}}$$

$\mathcal{H}$  : 5-d curvature scale

❖ stronger stabilization (large  $|\mathcal{H}'|$ )  $\rightarrow$  large  $\mu^2$

❖  $1 \mp 2r_c^{(\pm)} \mathcal{H}_{\pm} < 0$  make  $\mu^2$  negative

$\rightarrow$  corresponds to the **self accelerating branch**



# ghost in DGP model

$H$  : 4-dim comoving curvature scale

the regularity on +brane imposes

$$2 \left( \sum_i \frac{u_i^2(y_+)}{m_i^2 - 2H^2} \right) + \frac{1}{H_+^2(2r_c\mathcal{H}_+ - 1)} \left( \frac{2\kappa^2}{3H_+^2(2r_c\mathcal{H}_+ - 1)} \left( \sum_i \frac{v_i^2(y_+)}{\mu_i^2 + 4H^2} \right) + \mathcal{H}_+ \right) = 0$$

diverges as  $m^2 \rightarrow 2H^2$  : Higuchi bound

diverges as  $\mu^2 \rightarrow -4H^2$

: critical mass that scalar ghost appears

$2r_c\mathcal{H}_+ - 1 > 0$  : self-accelerating branch

$\mu_i^2 + 4H^2 \rightarrow \mp\epsilon$  means  $m_i^2 - 2H^2 \rightarrow \pm\epsilon$



**ghost never disappears**

K.Izumi et. al. (2007)

$2r_c\mathcal{H}_+ - 1 < 0$  : normal branch

The same identity prohibits  $m_i^2$  &  $\mu_i^2$  from crossing their critical masses



**no ghost**



# Normal and Self-accelerating branches

For simplicity, we consider the perturbation around a de Sitter brane solution,  
whose curvature is given as  $H$ .

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$$K^2 := \left(\frac{\partial_y a}{a}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{6M_5^3} \left(\frac{1}{2}\psi'^2 - V_B\right) + \frac{H^2}{a^2}$$

$$\pm K_\pm = r_c^{(\pm)} \frac{H^2}{a^2} - \frac{1}{6M_5^3} V_{(\pm)}(\psi_\pm)$$

→ 
$$K_\pm^2 \pm \frac{1}{r_c^{(\pm)}} K_\pm + \frac{1}{6M_5^3} \bar{V}_{(\pm)} = 0 \quad \bar{V}_{(\pm)} = -\frac{1}{2}\psi_\pm'^2 + V_B(\psi_\pm) + \frac{1}{r_c^{(\pm)}} V_{(\pm)}(\psi_\pm)$$

two branches for each brane:

$$1 - 2r_c^{(+)} K_+ = \pm \sqrt{1 - \frac{2}{3M_5^3} r_c^{(+)} \bar{V}_{(+)}} \quad 1 + 2r_c^{(-)} K_- = \pm \sqrt{1 - \frac{2}{3M_5^3} r_c^{(-)} \bar{V}_{(-)}}$$

# collapse of the structure in DGP model

junction condition

$$K_{\mu\nu}^{(\pm)} = r_c^{(\pm)} \left( G_{\mu\nu}^{\pm(4)} - \frac{1}{3} G^{\pm(4)} g_{\mu\nu} \right)$$

When we consider to increase the energy scale on the branes, the curvature scale also increase.

On the other hand,

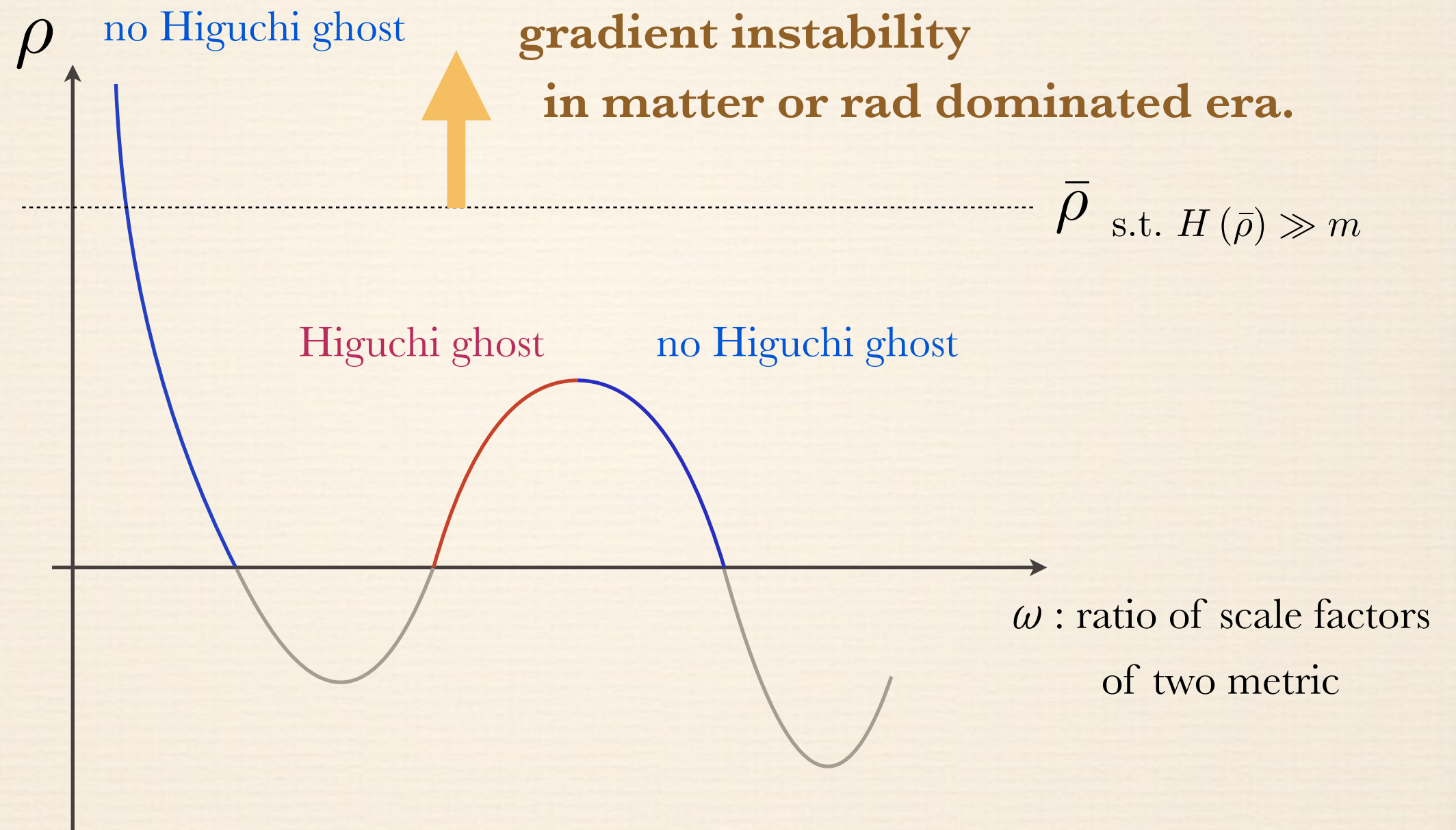
$|\mathcal{H}| \lesssim \frac{1}{r_c^{\pm}}$  must be satisfied to avoid scalar-mode instability



slightly curved branes cause instability and break the stabilization!



# Cosmological solution in ghost-free bigravity



# Higuchi ghost in dRGT bigravity

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$\omega$  : ratio of scale factor  
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this sign determines the ghost appearance

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For flat vacuum solution,  $H \rightarrow 0$  as  $\omega \rightarrow \omega_0$  where  $\rho_m(\omega_0) \rightarrow 0$ ,

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**no Higuchi ghost**



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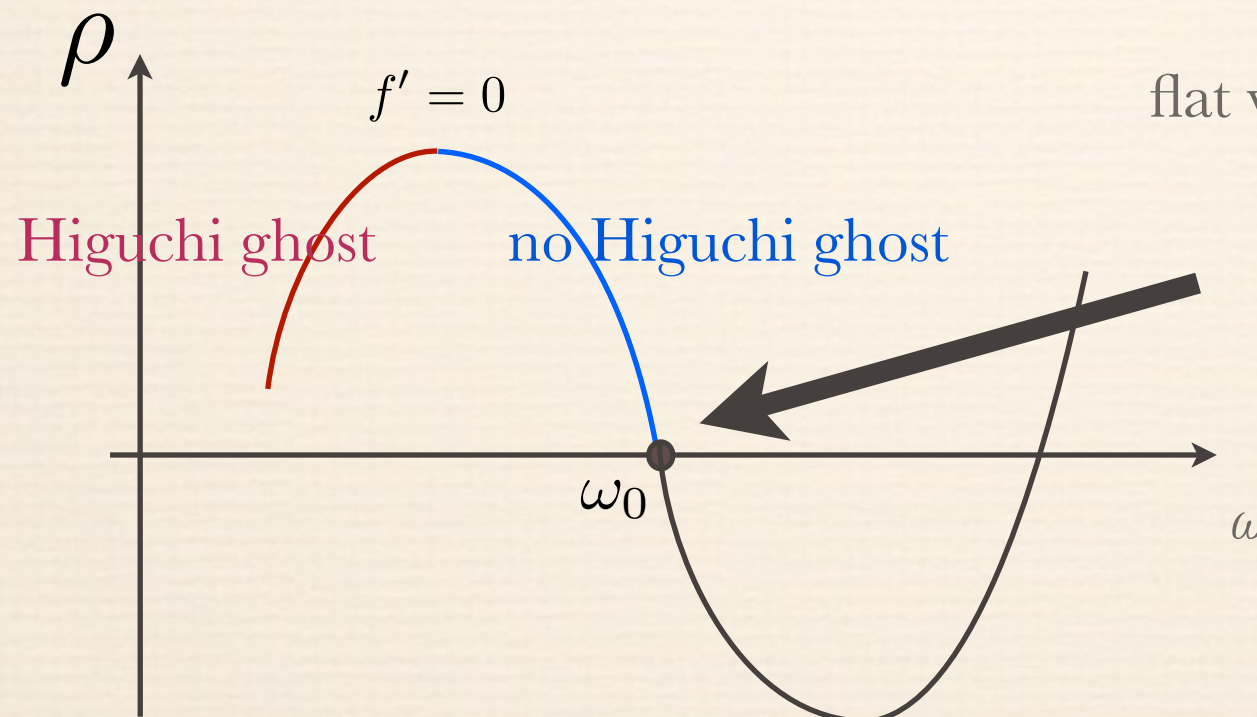
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flat vacuum  $H = 0, \rho = 0$

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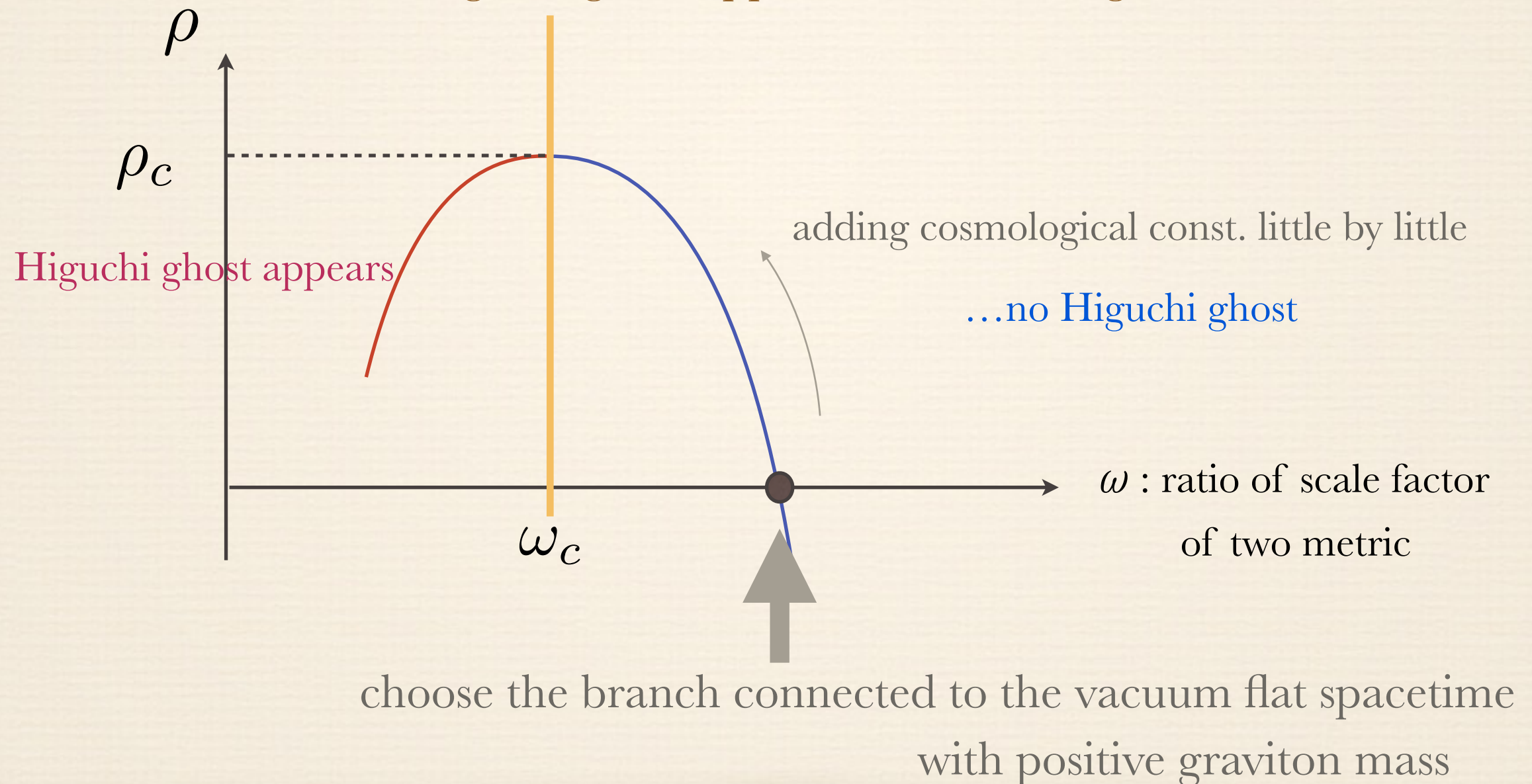
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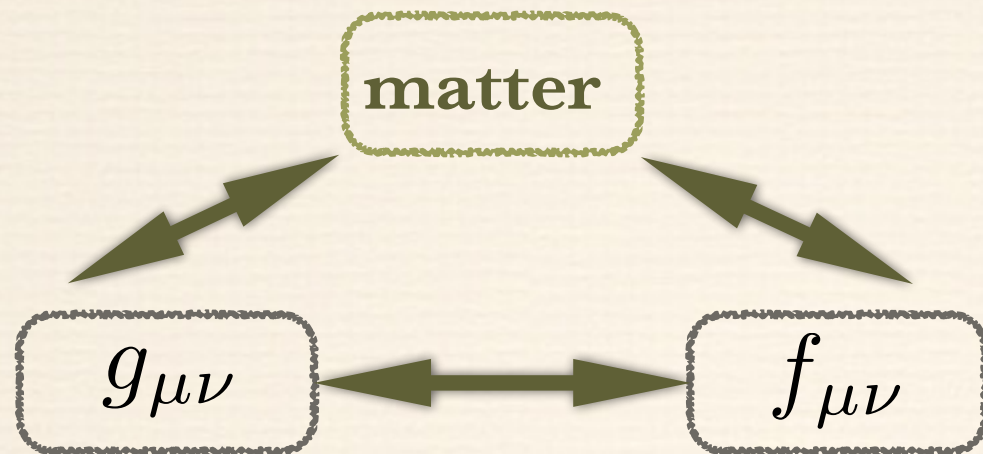
de Sitter solution does not exist above this critical density, and Higuchi ghost appears after crossing the critical  $\omega$ .





# doubly coupled matter

However,



coupling through the matter generally detunes the ghost-free structure of the interaction.

→ **BD ghost?**

Consider a free scalar field which couples to both metric:

$$\mathcal{L}_m = \sqrt{-g} \left( -\frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi \right) + \sqrt{-f} \left( -\frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi \right)$$



conjugate momentum  $\pi_\phi \sim \left( \frac{1}{N} + \frac{1}{L} \right) \partial_t \phi$

Hamiltonian  $\mathcal{H} \ni \frac{NL}{N+L} \pi_\phi^2 \dots$  nonlinear in the lapse fcns → **BD ghost!**

# Seeking for models with doubly coupled matter which have no BD ghost

- ❖ another ghost-free model motivated by the quasi-dilaton massive gravity

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ \frac{M_g^2 R^{(g)}}{2} + 2m^2 M_{\text{eff}}^2 \sum_n c_n e_n \left( \sqrt{g^{\mu\nu} (f_{\mu\nu} + \alpha \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi)} \right) \right] \\ + \int d^4x \sqrt{-f} \left[ \frac{M_f^2 R^{(f)}}{2} - \frac{1}{2} f^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi \right]$$

YY, De Felice and Tanaka (2014)

- ❖ matter which couples to an effective metric

$$g_{\mu\nu}^{\text{eff}} = a^2 g_{\mu\nu} + 2abg_{\mu\alpha} \sqrt{g^{\alpha\beta} f_{\beta\nu}} + b^2 f_{\mu\nu}$$

This model has BD ghost, but it appears beyond the strong coupling scale.

de Rham, Heisenberg and Rebeiro (2014)

The model of doubly coupled matter is considerably restricted.

**... inconsistent with the intuition in braneworld models.**



# Result

$$S = \frac{M_{pl}^2}{2} \left[ \int d^4x \sqrt{-\gamma} m_*^2 \left\{ \Delta h^2 - \Delta h^{\mu\nu} \Delta h_{\mu\nu} - \frac{3}{4} \Phi (1 - \alpha^2 H^2 (\square + 4H^2)) \Phi \right\} \right. \\ \left. + \int d^4x \sqrt{-g_{(+)}} \left( R_{(+)} - \frac{6H^2}{a_+^2} \right) + \chi \int d^4x \sqrt{-g_{(-)}} \left( R_{(-)} - \frac{6H^2}{a_-^2} \right) \right] \quad \Phi := \Delta h + \frac{4\alpha}{3} \bar{R}^{(1)} \\ \alpha := \frac{-y_0^+ \mathcal{H}^{-1}(0)}{2}$$



treat  $\Phi$  as an independent variable

by adding  $\lambda \left( \Phi - \Delta h - \frac{4\alpha}{3} \bar{R}^{(1)} \right)$

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**conformal trsf**

...two gravitons interacting through Fierz-Pauli mass term

and one scalar whose kinetic term couples to  $\gamma$  ...no BD ghost



# Equations of motion

$$h_{\mu\nu}^{(i)TT} = \frac{-2M_{pl}^{-2}}{a_+^2 + a_-^2 \chi} \left[ \frac{1}{\square - 2H^2 - m_i^2} \left\{ T_{\mu\nu}^{(i)} - \frac{1}{4} T^{(i)} \gamma_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{3(m_i^2 - 2H^2)} \left( \nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu - \frac{\square}{4} \gamma_{\mu\nu} \right) T^{(i)} \right\} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{3(m_i^2 - 2H^2)} \left( \nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu - \frac{\square}{4} \gamma_{\mu\nu} \right) \frac{1}{\square + 4H^2} T^{(i)} \right]$$

$$T_{\mu\nu}^{(0)} := T_{\mu\nu}^{(+)} + T_{\mu\nu}^{(-)}$$

$$T_{\mu\nu}^{(m)} := \frac{T_{\mu\nu}^{(+)}}{a_+^2} - \frac{T_{\mu\nu}^{(-)}}{a_-^2 \chi}$$

Poles at  $\square - 2H^2 = 0$ ,  $m^2$  and  $\square + 4H^2 = 0$

...one massless and one massive gravitons and one scalar (radion)

We find the sign of the coefficient of the pole  $\square + 4H^2 = 0$  flips at

$$2a_\pm^2 \chi_\pm r_c^{(+)} \mathcal{H}_\pm - 1 = 0$$

...equivalent to the condition for the ghost-free branch

**We succeeded to obtain a ghost-free bigravity+scalar system.**