

# Dilaton gravity in brane scenarios and the large-scale structure challenge

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## scalar-tensor theories of gravity & conformal frames

► *dilaton gravity*: a scalar-tensor theory of gravity

↪ can be formulated in various *conformally-related frames*

○  $g_{\mu\nu}$  &  $\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}$  related by a Weyl (conformal) transformation:  $g_{\mu\nu} = \Omega(x)^2 \tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}$

○ gravitational Lagrangians differ e.g. in the coefficient of the Ricci scalar

↪ (generically) scalar field dependent coefficients

○ Einstein frame:  $\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2\kappa} \mathcal{R} + \dots$

(natural in standard gravity & cosmology; coefficient: a constant)

○ Jordan frame: e.g.  $\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{16\pi} \phi \mathcal{R} + \dots$

("traditional" frame in scalar-tensor theories of gravity;  
coefficient: a polynomial function of the scalar field)

○ string frame: e.g.  $\mathcal{L} = e^{-\phi} \frac{\alpha_1}{2} \mathcal{R} + \dots$

(natural in string theories; coefficient: an exponential function of the dilaton)

## non-minimal matter-dilaton coupling

- ▶ if a matter term  $\mathcal{L}_m$  is included into the Lagrangian in one frame
  - conformal transformation to another frame will change its coefficient
  - ↔ if constant in one frame, it will become dilaton dependent in others
- ▶ which **conformal frame** is the *natural physical* frame?
  - no clear consensus in the literature (see e.g. [Faraoni, Gunzig, Nardone(1999)])
  - ↔ in which frame the matter-dilaton coupling should be minimal?
- ▶ thus here: a general **non-minimal coupling**  $f(\phi) \mathcal{L}_m$ 
  - of the **dilaton**  $\phi$
  - ↔ to the **matter content** of the universe  $\mathcal{L}_m$   
(localized on the brane)

## the aim of the game

### ► framework:

- dilaton gravity in a 5d brane scenario
- non-minimal matter-dilaton coupling  $f(\phi) \mathcal{L}_m$   
( $\mathcal{L}_m$ : matter content of the universe localized on the brane)

### ► take **assumptions** crucial to many models in the modern literature:

- *bulk*: **exact** anti de Sitter spacetime (AdS<sub>5</sub>)  
(allows a 4d Minkowski foliation, vital for many higher-dimensional scenarios, e.g. [Randall,Sundrum(1999)])
- *brane*: matter content of the universe (as in cosmological considerations)  
treated as an inhomogeneous **perfect fluid**

### ► and **answer** the **question**:

*can the observed **large-scale structure of the universe***

*exist on the brane for an AdS<sub>5</sub> bulk?*

(or any other highly symmetrical spacetime)

i.e.: can the perfect fluid (and thus the large-scale structure) be “sufficiently” inhomogeneous?



## another point of view

- ▶ for standard **Einstein's gravity** & **exact AdS<sub>5</sub>** [Shiromizu, Maeda, Sasaki (2000)]
  - ⌚ i.e. *no dilaton* & its non-minimal coupling to matter
  - ↪ ONLY a perfectly **spatially homogeneous universe** allowed
  
- ▶ here: including an “additional degree of freedom” - the **dilaton**
  - ⌚ and a **non-minimal coupling** to the matter content of the universe
  - ↪ will it be *enough* for a **sufficiently inhomogeneous** perfect fluid on the brane?
  - ⌚ as a crude description of our world
  - ↪ in terms of the cosmological large-scale structure as is observed today

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## dilaton gravity at the brane with general matter-dilaton coupling

- ▶ dilaton gravity in a 5d brane scenario: (Einstein frame)

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{\alpha_1}{2} \left[ \mathcal{R} - \frac{2}{3} \nabla^\sigma \partial_\sigma^{(5)} \phi - \frac{1}{3} (\partial^{(5)} \phi)^2 \right] - V(\phi) + [f(\phi) \mathcal{L}_m + \lambda(\phi)] \delta_B$$

- $\left[ \mathcal{R} - \frac{2}{3} \nabla^\sigma \partial_\sigma^{(5)} \phi - \frac{1}{3} (\partial^{(5)} \phi)^2 \right]$ : 5d dilaton gravity ( $\alpha_1$ : constant)
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$\lambda(\phi)$ : 'cosmological constant'-type term on the brane

↔ position of the co-dimension 1 brane: Dirac delta type distribution  $\delta_B$

- $f(\phi) \mathcal{L}_m$ : (non-minimal) coupling of the dilaton  $\phi$  to brane localized matter  $\mathcal{L}_m$

- ▶ how does the (induced) gravity look like on the brane?

↔ its effective 4d description has to be established

## derivation of the effective gravitational equations at the brane

- ▶ here: covariant approach [Shiromizu, Maeda, Sasaki(2000), DK, Olechowski(2010)]
- ▶ induced (projected) brane metric:  $h_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} - n_\mu n_\nu$ 
  - ⌚  $n^\mu$ : vector field orthonormal to the brane at its position
  - ⌚  $g_{\mu\nu}$ :  $\mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu}{}^{\rho\sigma}$  &  $\nabla_\mu$  vs  $h_{\mu\nu}$ :  $R_{\mu\nu}{}^{\rho\sigma}$  &  $D_\mu$
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- ▶ consequently, the *effective Einstein-like equation* at the brane reads

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} h_{\mu\nu} R = 8\pi \bar{G}(\phi) \tau_{\mu\nu} - h_{\mu\nu} \bar{\Lambda}(\phi) + \frac{f^2(\phi)}{4\alpha_1^2} \pi_{\mu\nu} + \frac{2}{9} (\partial_\mu \phi)(\partial_\nu \phi) - \frac{5}{36} h_{\mu\nu} (\partial\phi)^2 - E_{\mu\nu} \quad \text{[DK(2011)]}$$

- $\bar{G}(\phi)$  &  $\bar{\Lambda}(\phi)$ : effective brane Newton's & cosmological constants
- $\tau_{\mu\nu}$ : (brane) energy-momentum tensor

- ▶ three types of 'corrections' to the standard Einstein equation

- $\pi_{\mu\nu}$ : terms quadratic in  $\tau_{\mu\nu}$  (typical of brane gravity theories)
- kinetic terms for the dilaton (typical of scalar-tensor theories of gravity)
- explicit *bulk's influence on the brane gravity*:  $E_{\mu\nu} = n^\alpha h_\mu^\beta n^\gamma h_\nu^\delta C_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}$   
(bulk Weyl tensor projected on the brane: a single term, but generically non-vanishing)  
↳ to describe gravity induced on the brane: solution of the e.o.m.'s for the bulk gravity necessary

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constraint on the spatial derivative of the matter energy density

▶ OR: “sufficiently” inhomogeneous perfect fluid on the brane in AdS<sub>5</sub> bulk?

▶ calculus ingredients:

○ effective gravitational equations at the brane:

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○ 4d Bianchi identity:  $D^\nu (R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} h_{\mu\nu} R) = 0$

▶ assumptions:

○ bulk: exact anti de Sitter spacetime: AdS<sub>5</sub>  $\rightarrow E_{\mu\nu} = 0$   
(or any other highly symmetrical spacetime) (no bulk influence on the brane gravity)

○ brane (matter content of the universe): perfect fluid  $\rightarrow \tau_{\mu\nu} = \rho_m t_\mu t_\nu + p_m \gamma_{\mu\nu}$   
( $\gamma_{\mu\nu}$ : 3d spatial metric,  $\rho_m$ : [inhomogeneous] (dark) matter & radiation)



## on the brane: late universe

- ▶ thus, spatial derivative of the matter energy density on the brane reads

$$\rho_{m,i} = - \left( \frac{f'}{f} \rho_m - \frac{\lambda'}{f} \right) \phi_{,i} + \frac{\alpha_1^2}{3f^2(\rho_m + \rho_m)} \left[ D^\nu \partial_i \phi - \dot{\phi}^{-1} \phi_{,i} D^\nu \partial_t \phi \right] (\partial_\nu \phi) \quad [\text{DK}(2011)]$$

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## late universe: inhomogeneous matter vs. observations

- ▶ let us quantify the implications of the constraint on  $\rho_{m0,i}$
- ▶ current observational limits:  $|\dot{\bar{G}}_0/\bar{G}_0| < (10^{11} \text{ yr})^{-1}$  [Uzan(2011)]  
(searches for Newton's constant time variation: pulsar timing, solar system, stellar, cosmological constraints)

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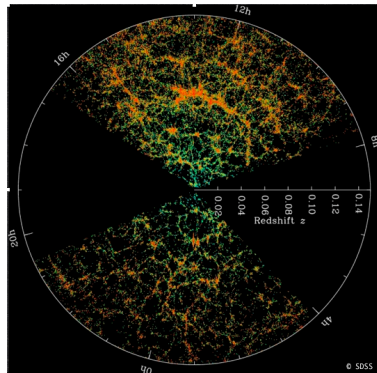
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- ▶ let us then confront it with cosmological observations:

◦ **large-scale structure**

of the universe [here:SDSS]



## cosmological large-scale structure data

- ▶ **large-scale structure (LSS)** of the universe
  - ↳ spatial distribution of galaxies, their groups and clusters  
(information on the overall matter distribution)
- ▶ galaxy distribution: LSS probed by **galaxy redshift surveys**
  - (addressed: content and statistical properties of the LSS)  
(e.g. Sloan Digital Sky Survey (SDSS))
  - ↳ characterized statistically through the two-point correlation function  $\xi(x)$   
(excess number of galaxy pairs separated by  $x$  relative to that expected for a random distribution)
- ▶ galaxy surveys  $\rightsquigarrow$  *estimation* of the two-point correlation function of galaxies  
[e.g. SDSS(2010)]
  - 🕒 data usually presented in the form of the power spectrum of the perturbation field  
(i.e. Fourier transformation of the two-point correlation function)

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