

Gravitational wave background in modified gravity dark energy models

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1. Dark Energy models

Recent cosmological observations
(type Ia supernovae, WMAP, BAO, weak lensing...)
have revealed:

Dark Energy (DE) – 70 %

Dark Matter (DM) – 25 %

LambdaCDM model gives a successful description

But theoretical difficulties:

- Physical substance of DE and DM
- Cosmic coincidence
i.e. discrepancy of many orders of magnitude
between theoretical and observed values of Lambda

Many possible models of Dark Energy

- Quintessence
- K-essence with a non-canonical scalar field
- Phantom field with a negative kinetic term
- (Generalized) Chaplygin gas
a fluid model unifying DE and DM $P = -A \rho^{-\alpha}$
- Dirac-Born-Infeld model
- $f(R)$ -modified gravity
- $f(G)$ -modified gravity ...

Modification of gravity theory will cause observational consequences in gravitational phenomena such as:

- solar-system experiments
- cosmic expansion
- large-scale structure formation
- cosmological GW background (*LISA, DECIGO,...*)

May be helpful to make more stringent constraints on DE models

We consider here:

**GW background caused by gravity modification
in dark energy context**



both tensor and scalar perturbations

2. Basic equations in $f(R)$ -modified gravity

Action:
$$S = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int f(R) \sqrt{-g} d^4x + S_m$$

Field equation:

$$F(R) R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} f(R) g_{\mu\nu} - F(R)_{;\mu\nu} + g_{\mu\nu} F(R)_{;\alpha}{}^\alpha = 8\pi G T_{\mu\nu}^{(m)}$$

$$F(R) := f'(R)$$

In the case of Einstein's gravity with Λ

$$f(R) = R - 2\Lambda, \quad F(R) = 1$$

In the case of $f(R)$ -modified gravity

$$f(R) = R - \xi(R), \quad F(R) = 1 - \xi'(R)$$

Equations for a background universe:

$$3 H^2 = 8 \pi G \rho_b + \frac{1}{2} \xi(R_b) + 3 H [\xi'(R_b)]' - 3 \xi'(R_b) (\dot{H} + H^2)$$

These terms play a role of **effective dark energy**

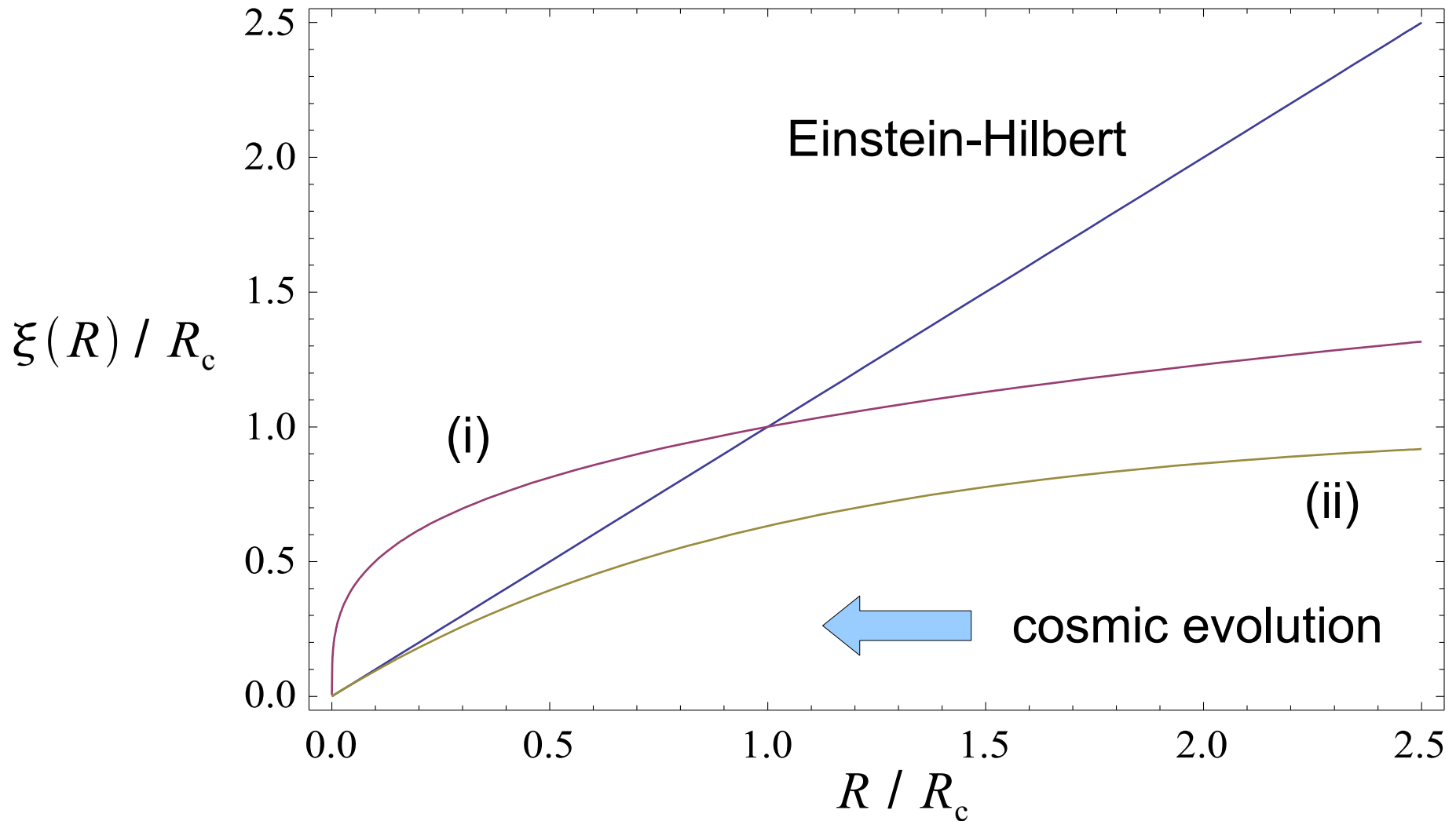
$$2 \dot{H} = -8 \pi G \rho_b + 2 \xi'(R_b) \dot{H} + [\xi'(R_b)]' - H [\xi'(R_b)]'$$

$$H := \frac{\dot{a}}{a}, \quad R_b = 6 \dot{H} + 12 H^2$$

ρ_b : energy density of pressureless matter
of a background universe (DM and baryon)

Cosmic evolution is quite complicated
because the DE terms are functions of R

$$(i) \xi(R) = \lambda R_c \left(\frac{R}{R_c} \right)^\alpha \quad (0 < \alpha < 1) \quad (ii) \xi(R) = \lambda R_c \left(1 - e^{-R/R_c} \right)$$



3. Linear perturbations in $f(R)$ -modified gravity

Comoving synchronous gauge condition

$$\begin{aligned} ds^2 &= -dt^2 + {}^{(3)}g_{ij} dX^i dX^j \\ &= -dt^2 + a(t)^2 (\gamma_{ij} + h_{ij}) dX^i dX^j, \quad u^\mu = (1, \mathbf{0}) \end{aligned}$$

for irrotational dust matter $T_{(m)}^{\mu\nu} = \rho u^\mu u^\nu$

Metric perturbation ${}^{(3)}g_{ij} = a(t)^2 (\gamma_{ij} + h_{ij})$

$$\begin{aligned} F(R) &= F(R_b) + F'(R_b) R_1 =: F_b + F_1 \\ &= 1 - \xi'(R_b) - \xi''(R_b) R_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$R_1 = \ddot{h} + 4H\dot{h} + \frac{1}{a^2} (h^k{}_{l,k}{}^{,l} - \nabla^2 h), \quad h := \gamma^{ij} h_{ij}$$

Field equations yield the evolution equation for h_{ij}

$$\ddot{h}_{ij} + \left(3H + \frac{\dot{F}_b}{F_b} \right) \dot{h}_{ij} + \frac{2}{a^2} \left({}^{(3)}R_{ij}[h] - \frac{1}{4} {}^{(3)}R[h] \gamma_{ij} \right) + \frac{1}{F_b} \left[\ddot{F}_1 + 2H \dot{F}_1 - (\dot{H} + 3H^2) F_1 \right] \gamma_{ij} - \frac{2}{F_b a^2} F_{1,ij} = 0$$

Mode decomposition of metric perturbations

$$h_{ij} = \underbrace{2\Phi \gamma_{ij}}_{\text{scalar mode}} + \underbrace{2B_{,ij}}_{\text{vector mode}} + \underbrace{h_{ij}^{\text{TT}}}_{\text{tensor mode}}$$

scalar mode

tensor mode

(No vector mode because of no vorticity of matter considered)

For tensor-mode perturbations with wavenumber k

$$\ddot{h}_{ij}^{\text{TT}} + \left(3H - \frac{\dot{\xi}'(R_b)}{1 - \xi'(R_b)} \right) \dot{h}_{ij}^{\text{TT}} + \frac{k^2}{a^2} h_{ij}^{\text{TT}} = 0$$

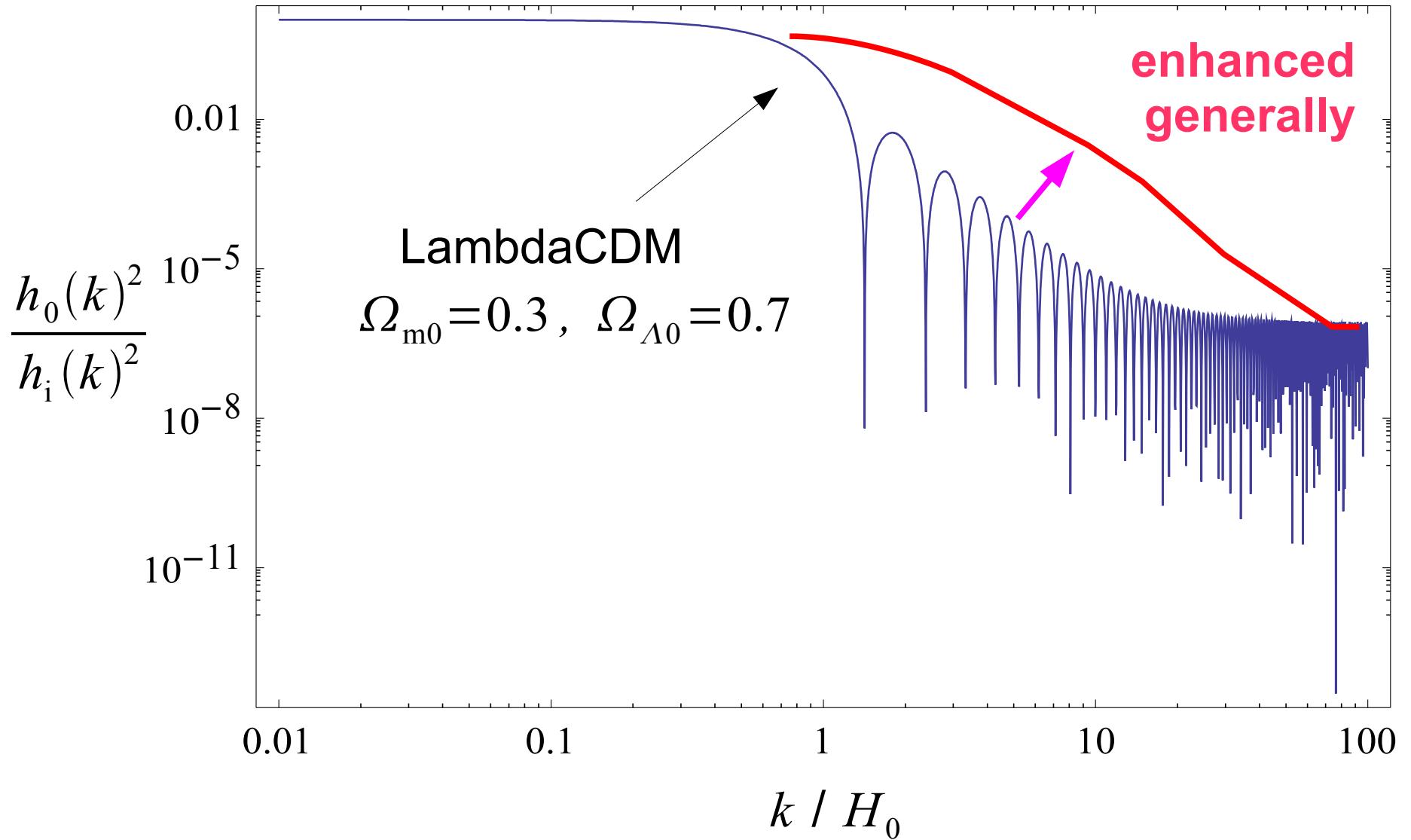
The effect of gravity modification appears only in the friction term

The gravity modification generally impairs the friction caused by cosmic expansion

In particular, when $1 - \xi'(R_b) \rightarrow 0$,

$$\dot{h}_{ij}^{\text{TT}} \approx 0$$

“Transfer function”



Evolution equation for scalar perturbations:

$$\ddot{\Phi} + \left[3H - 2 \frac{(H + \dot{F}_b/2F_b)'}{H + \dot{F}_b/2F_b} + \frac{(\dot{F}_b^2/F_b)'}{\dot{F}_b^2/F_b} \right] \dot{\Phi} + \left(1 + \frac{16\pi G \rho_b}{3\dot{F}_b^2/F_b} \right) \frac{k^2}{a^2} \Phi$$

$$= 4\pi G \rho_b \left[\dot{h} - 2 \frac{(H + \dot{F}_b/2F_b)'}{H + \dot{F}_b/2F_b} \delta_m \right]$$

$$\varphi := \Phi - \frac{H}{\dot{F}_b} F_1 \quad \text{gauge-invariant variable}$$

(Hwang & Noh 1996)

At late time of structure formation, $\rho_b \approx 0$,

$$\ddot{\varphi} + \left[3H - 2 \frac{(H + \dot{F}_b/2F_b)}{H + \dot{F}_b/2F_b} + \frac{(\dot{F}_b^2/F_b)}{\dot{F}_b^2/F_b} \right] \dot{\varphi} + \frac{k^2}{a^2} \varphi \approx 0$$

(quantitative estimations still under investigation)

In the case of Einstein's gravity, $F_b \approx 1$,

$$h_{ij} = \text{const} \cdot \Phi \gamma_{ij} + 2 \underset{\substack{\blacksquare \blacksquare \blacksquare}}{D(t)} \Phi_{,ij} \quad \Phi = \Phi(X)$$

no oscillations

linear growth rate of density perturbations

4. Summary and Outlook

- Cosmological GW background has been considered in $f(R)$ -modified gravity in the context of dark energy cosmology
- In the tensor-mode perturbations, the effect of gravity modification appears only in the friction term, which may enhance the spectrum of GW background
- In the scalar-mode perturbations, scalar GWs emerge as the effect of gravity modification at late time of structure formation when matter density becomes small enough
- Now studying the relation to the constraints from density perturbations (done by Tsujikawa, Koyama,...)