Compact objects in gravity theories

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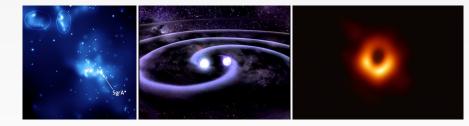
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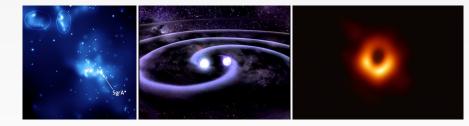
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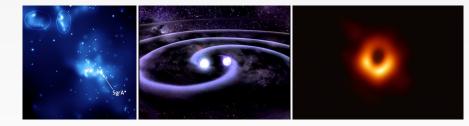




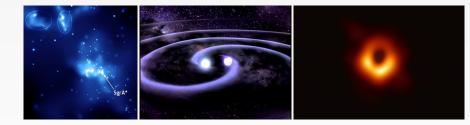
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- What is the maximal mass of neutron stars? What is their equation of state? How rapid can their rotation be before instability?
- eg.: Is the compact secondary the heaviest neutron star or the lightest astrophysical black hole? How does this fit with GR?
- Can we find pulsars in the vicinity of SgrA and follow them around the central black hole?



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- Can we find alternatives to GR black holes and stars as precise rulers of departure from GR? What about other compact objects like wormholes or regular black holes



- GR black holes and their characteristics
- Scalar tensor theories as a measurable departure from GR
- Use GR solutions to construct stealth solutions
- kinetic term $X = -\frac{1}{2}\partial_{\mu}\phi\partial_{\nu}\phi g^{\mu\nu}$ and geodesics
- disformal transformations [Zumalacarregui, Garcia Bellido]

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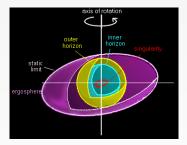
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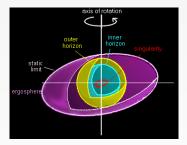
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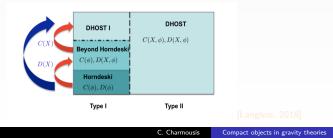
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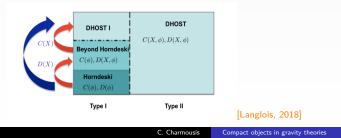
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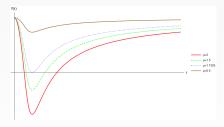
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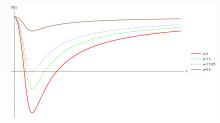
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- Solution has event horizon $r_{\rm h} = M + \sqrt{M^2 \alpha}$ if $\alpha > 0$ and $M > M_{\rm min} = \sqrt{\alpha}$.
- Higher order terms are smoothing out the geometry and allowing more compact objects!



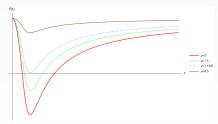
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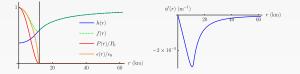
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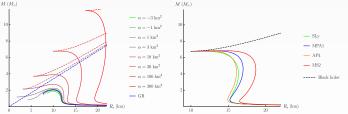
- Constrants : α < 0 excluded from probed atomic nuclei which are horizonless... For $R \sim 10^{-15}$ need $-\alpha < 10^{-30}$
- If $\alpha > 0$ since $M_{\min} = \sqrt{\alpha}$ then observed black holes from GW give us constraints on α
- For example if secondary of GW190814 is a black hole then $\alpha < 59 km^2$ etc.



• Introducing, $T_{\mu\nu} = (\epsilon + P)u_{\mu}u_{\nu} + Pg_{\mu\nu}$ we find neutron star solutions



 $\bullet~$ For $\alpha>0$ we have more compact neutron stars. GW19 is compatible with slowly rotating neutron star.



 Universal point of convergence for neutron stars and black holes for known EOS. No mass gap present in this theory unlike GR!

From a black hole to a wormhole : general characteristics [MorriskThorne,

Damour&Solodukhin]

• Start again with a static and spherically symmetric spacetime.

$$\mathrm{d}s^2 = -h(r)\mathrm{d}t^2 + \frac{\mathrm{d}r^2}{f(r)} + r^2\mathrm{d}\Omega^2$$

- In practical terms a wormhole has a throat (rather than an event horizon) where f(r₀) = 0 and f ≠ h so h(r₀) ≠ 0.
- Wormhole : matter and light can tranverse in principle the throat both ways. If the throat were an event horizon then it d be a one way wormhole...
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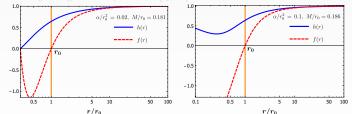
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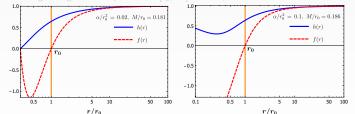
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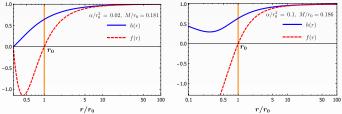
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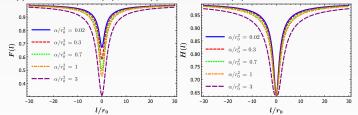


Wormhole solution [Bakopoulos, CC, Kanti]

- Choosing a generic shape function we can construct wormholes of variable mass and redshift
- For M = 0 we have flat spacetime, so throat is mass dependent
- Spacetime regular at r = r0. Consider, $r^2 = l^2 + r_0^2$

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$$ds^2 = -H(l) dt^2 + \frac{dl^2}{F(l)} + (l^2 + r_0^2) d\Omega^2$$
, with $H(l) = h(r(l))$, and $F(l) = \frac{f(r(l))(l^2 + r_0^2)}{l^2}$





- The wormhole is therefore everywhere regular and needs no local or non local sources of matter. It is a vacuum solution just like black holes are in GR
- The throat is always a light ring or critical point! Light will accumulate at the throat of the wormhole

- There is an ongrowing multitude of hairy ST black holes and compact objects that we can construct
- We have stealth GR like solutions but also analytic rotating solutions which are non GR
- Starting from higher dimensional theories we can construct static black holes which are departing from GR
- We can construct neutron stars and wormholes with interesting and non trivial phenomenology
- nothing in general for stationary solutions apart from slow rotation
- are the solutions relevant? stable? resulting from gravitational collapse?