

# Tests of Fundamental Principles

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**General Relativity**

# Description of tests of the universality principles

Purpose: parametrization of deviations, comparison of different experiments

Haugan formalism ([Haugan, AP 1979](#))

Ansatz: effective atomic Hamiltonian (from modified Dirac and modified Maxwell)

$$H = mc^2 + \frac{1}{2m} \left( \delta^{ij} + \frac{\delta m_i^{ij}}{m} \right) p_i p_j + m \left( \delta_{ij} + \frac{\delta m_{gij}}{m} \right) U^{ij}(\mathbf{x}) + \dots$$

- additional anomalous spin terms ([CL, CQG 1996](#), SME)
- additional anomalous charge terms ([Dittus, C.L., Selig, GRG 2006](#))

can calculate (all quantities depend on **all** anomalous parameters)

- acceleration  $\longrightarrow$  WEP tests
- frequency comparison  $\longrightarrow$  redshift tests
- spin dynamics

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# Consequences of the UFF

## Trajectories

- Trajectory of a particle  $x = x(p; t)$   
 $p$  = particle parameter (e.g. mass, charge, etc)
- UFF  $\Rightarrow$  trajectory does not depend on particle parameters  $x = x(t)$   
 This is already the geometrization of the gravitational interaction
- The set of all trajectories is a path structure

## Order of equations of motion / Cauchy problem

- Newton's setup: trajectory determined through
  - initial position  $x_0 = x(t_0)$  and
  - initial velocity  $v_0 = \dot{x}(t_0)$ .

$\Rightarrow$  ordinary differential equations of second order:  $\ddot{x}^\mu = H^\mu(p; x, \dot{x})$

Question: Why the fundamental equations of motion are of second order?  
 Equivalent to questioning Newton's second axiom



# Consequences of the UFF

UFF + second order

equation of motion

$$\ddot{x}^\mu = H^\mu(x, \dot{x})$$

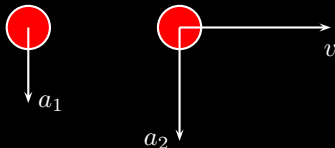
- equation of motion does **not** depend on particle parameter  $p$
- equation of motion is of second order
- this defines a **curve structure**

**Gravity cannot be transformed away:**

Acceleration towards the center of Earth depends on horizontal velocity

exists no inertial system

Implies several effects:  $G(T)$ , violation of UGR



# The free fall: The notions

Gravity can be transformed away

$\exists$  coordinate system  $\forall$  particles :  $\ddot{x} = 0$

Then in an arbitrary coordinate system

$$\ddot{x}^\mu = -\Gamma_{\rho\sigma}^\mu(x) \dot{x}^\rho \dot{x}^\sigma$$

autoparallel equation, projective structure (Ehlers, Pirani, Schild 1973, Coleman & Korte, many papers in the 80's)

- Need still relation between the connection  $\Gamma_{\rho\sigma}^\mu(x)$  and the metric  $g_{\mu\nu}$ 
  - properties of light and clocks as formulated in EPS axiomatics (Ehlers, Pirani, Schild 1993)
  - free turnability (Helmholtz, Lie)
- result: Riemannian geometry
- How to test whether gravity can be transformed away?
- equivalent to questioning Newton's first axiom

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# Order of equation of motion?

## Usual framework

$$L = L(t, \mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}}) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{F}(t, \mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}}) \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{p} = m\dot{\mathbf{x}}$$

more general equations?

- $\mathbf{p} = m\dot{\mathbf{x}}$  is a constitutive law. Can be more general (as in many cases)

$$\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{f}(\dot{\mathbf{x}}, \ddot{\mathbf{x}}, \dddot{\mathbf{x}}, \dots)$$

then higher order equations of motion

- Influence of external fluctuations (e.g. space-time fluctuations, gravitational wave background, Göklü, C.L., Camacho & Macias, CQG 2009): generalized Langevin equation with extra force term

$$\int_0^t C(t-t') \dot{\mathbf{x}}(t') dt'$$

# Order of equation of motion?

## Generalized framework

$$L = L(t, \mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}}, \ddot{\mathbf{x}}) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{d^2}{dt^2} (\epsilon \ddot{\mathbf{x}}) = \mathbf{F}(t, \mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}}, \ddot{\mathbf{x}})$$

## Our specific model

Gauge procedure in order to invent structure of interactions

$$L(t, \mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}}, \ddot{\mathbf{x}}) = L_0(t, \mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}}, \ddot{\mathbf{x}}) \underbrace{-q_0 A_a \dot{x}^a}_{\text{1st order gauge fields}} + \underbrace{q_1 A_{ab} \dot{x}^a \dot{x}^b}_{\text{2nd order gauge fields}}$$

with (Pais–Uhlenbeck oscillator)

$$L_0(t, \mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}}, \ddot{\mathbf{x}}) = -\frac{\epsilon}{2} \ddot{\mathbf{x}}^2 + \frac{m}{2} \dot{\mathbf{x}}^2$$

$\epsilon$  additional new particle parameter,  $\dim \epsilon = \text{kg s}^2$

$$\epsilon_{\text{QG}} \sim m_{\text{Planck}} t_{\text{Planck}}^2 \sim 10^{-95} \text{ kg s}^2$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{Ce}} \sim m_{\text{Ce}} t_{\text{Ce}}^2 \sim 10^{-71} \text{ kg s}^2$$



# Equation of motion

simplest case: constant electric field

$$\epsilon \ddot{\mathbf{x}} + m\ddot{\mathbf{x}} = q\mathbf{E}_0$$

solution in 1D with initial conditions  $x(0) = 0$ ,  $\dot{x}(0) = 0$ ,  $\ddot{x}(0) = 0$ , and  $\ddot{\ddot{x}}(0) = 0$

$$x(t) = \frac{q}{m} E_0 \left( \frac{1}{2} t^2 + \frac{\epsilon}{m} (\cos(\omega t) - 1) \right) \quad \text{small deviation}$$

$$\dot{x}(t) = \frac{q}{m} E_0 \left( t - \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{m}} \sin(\omega t) \right) \quad \text{small deviation}$$

$$\ddot{x}(t) = \frac{q}{m} E_0 (1 - \cos(\omega t)) \quad \mathcal{O}(1) \text{ deviation}$$

$$\ddot{\ddot{x}}(t) = \frac{q}{m} E_0 \sqrt{\frac{m}{\epsilon}} \sin(\omega t) \quad \omega = \sqrt{\frac{m}{\epsilon}} \quad \text{large deviation}$$

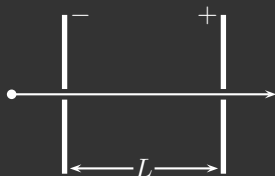
- zitterbewegung
- Limit  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$  exists for  $x$  and  $\dot{x}$ , not for  $\ddot{\ddot{x}}$

Search for  $\epsilon$ 

Accelerated flight

Flight through accelerator

$$\frac{\langle \dot{x}(L) \rangle - \dot{x}_0}{\dot{x}_0} = \frac{\epsilon}{4m} \frac{\dot{x}_0^2}{L^2}$$



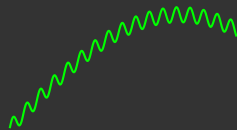
Ion interferometric measurement of acceleration

phase shift

$$\Delta\phi = A(\omega) \mathbf{k} \cdot \ddot{\mathbf{x}}(\omega) T^2$$

with transfer function

$$A(\omega) = C \frac{\sin^2(\omega t)}{\omega^2}$$

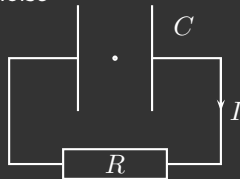


Search for  $\epsilon$ 

## Electronic devices

*Zitterbewegung* of a charged particle induces voltage noise

$$\frac{1}{2}C\langle U^2 \rangle_t = m\langle \dot{x}^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon \left( \frac{q}{m} E_0 \right)^2$$



- General estimate:  $\epsilon \leq 10^{-50} \text{ kg s}^2$ .
- Application to mirrors in gw interferometers?
- Adding a small higher derivative term is a mathematical method to analyze differential equations.

C.L. & Rademaker, PRD 2012

higher order time derivative in Schrödinger C.L, Bordé 2000



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# Reasons for Finsler geometry

## Why Finsler?

- geometry of field equations
- EPS axiomatics ([Ehlers, Pirani & Schild 1973](#))
- dynamical model for respecting UFF but violating Einstein's elevator
- from Quantum Gravity ([Girelli, Liberati & Sindoni, PRD 2003](#))
- VSR ([Gibbons, Gomis & Pope, PRD 2007](#))
- elegance of Lagrange and Hamilton formalism
- nontrivial generalization of Riemannian geometry
- example for **violation of Schiff's conjecture**
- and **Finsler modifications not covered by PPN test theory**

## Two aspects

- Finsler geometry in the tangent space = Finsler relativity
- Finsler geometry of manifold = Finsler gravity

# Finsler geometry

Finsler space

Finsler length function

$$dl^2 = F(x, dx), \quad F(x, \lambda dx) = \lambda^2 F(x, dx)$$

Finsler metric tensor  $f_{\mu\nu}(x, dx)$  is defined as

$$dl^2 = g_{\mu\nu}(x, dx) dx^\mu dx^\nu, \quad \text{where} \quad g_{\mu\nu}(x, y) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 F(x^k, y^m)}{\partial y^\mu \partial y^\nu}$$

Light cones

Light cone defined by

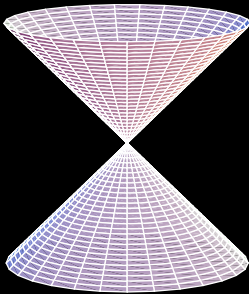
$$ds^2 = dt^2 - dl^2$$

# Finsler geometry

Euclidean light cone

Riemannian light cone

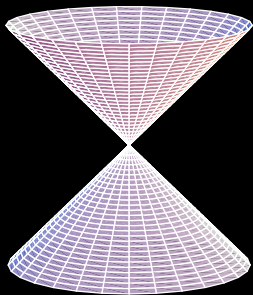
Finslerian light cone



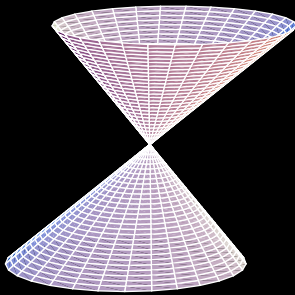
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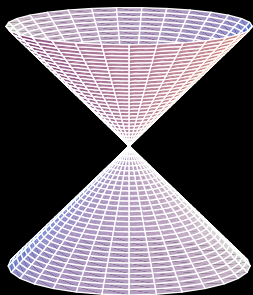


Finslerian light cone

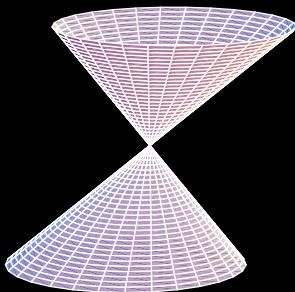
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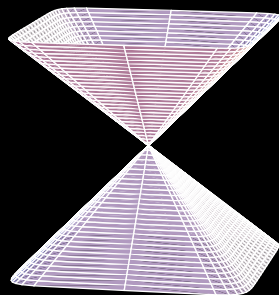
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# Finsler geometry

## Geodesics

$$\delta \int ds = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad 0 = \frac{d^2 x^\mu}{ds^2} + \{ \rho^\mu_{\sigma} \} (x, \dot{x}) \frac{dx^\rho}{ds} \frac{dx^\sigma}{ds}$$

with

$$\{ \rho^\mu_{\sigma} \} (x, \dot{x}) = g^{\mu\nu} (x, \dot{x}) (\partial_\rho g_{\sigma\nu} (x, \dot{x}) + \partial_\sigma g_{\rho\nu} (x, \dot{x}) - \partial_\nu g_{\rho\sigma} (x, \dot{x}))$$

- UFF true, but gravity cannot be transformed away (no Einstein elevator)
- violates LLI: **counterexample to Schiff's conjecture**

# Deviation from Riemann geometry

How to describe deviation from Riemannian geometry? (test theory)

Deviation from Riemann (C.L., Lorek & Dittus, GRG 2009)

- Special case: “power law” metrics (Riemann)

$$dl^2 = (g_{\mu_1\mu_2\dots\mu_{2n}}(x) dx^{\mu_1} dx^{\mu_2} \dots dx^{\mu_{2n}})^{\frac{1}{r}}$$

- From any given Riemannian metric  $g_{ij}$  and a tensor  $\phi_{i_1\dots i_{2r}}$  we can construct a Finslerian metric by

$$\begin{aligned} D^r(dx^i) &= (g_{ij} dx^i dx^j)^r + \phi_{i_1\dots i_{2r}} dx^{i_1} \dots dx^{i_{2r}} \\ &= (g_{i_1 i_2} \dots g_{i_{2r-1} i_{2r}} + \phi_{i_1\dots i_{2r}}) dx^{i_1} \dots dx^{i_{2r}} \end{aligned}$$

- any deviation from Riemann encoded in coefficients  $\phi_{i_1\dots i_{2r}}$
- small deviation given by small  $\phi_{i_1\dots i_{2r}} \ll 1$ , then

$$D(dx^i) = g_{ij} dx^i dx^j \left( 1 + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\phi_{i_1\dots i_{2r}} dx^{i_1} \dots dx^{i_{2r}}}{(g_{kl} dx^k dx^l)^r} \right)$$



# Testing Finsler

- 1 test of Finslerian Special Relativity:
  - Michelson–Morley type test (C.L., Lorek, Dittus, GRG 2009)
  - quantum tests are under consideration (Itin, C.L., Perlick, in preparation)
- 2 test of Finslerian gravity: Finslerian deviation from given solutions of Einstein equation

First model: Finsler modification of Schwarzschild

for  $h_{\mu\nu}$  Schwarzschild metric: simplest Finsler modification

$$2L = (h_{tt} + c^2\psi_0) \dot{t}^2 + ((h_{ij}h_{kl} + \phi_{ijkl}) \dot{x}^i \dot{x}^j \dot{x}^k \dot{x}^l)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

by spherical symmetry

$$\phi_{ijkl} = \psi_1 \dot{r}^4 + \psi_2 r^2 \dot{r}^2 (\sin^2 \vartheta \dot{\varphi}^2 + \dot{\vartheta}^2) + \psi_3 r^4 (\sin^2 \vartheta \dot{\varphi}^2 + \dot{\vartheta}^2)$$

# Solar system: Approximation, Specifications

- linearization with respect to Finslerian perturbations
- restriction to equatorial plane

then

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \left( (1 + \phi_0) h_{tt} \dot{t}^2 + (1 + \phi_1) h_{rr} \dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\phi}^2 + \phi_2 \frac{h_{rr} r^2 \dot{r}^2 \dot{\phi}^2}{h_{rr} \dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\phi}^2} \right)$$

with

- $\phi_0 := \frac{c^2}{h_{tt}} \psi_0$  modifies temporal metric
- $\phi_1 := \frac{\psi_1}{2h_{rr}^2}$  modifies radial metric
- $\phi_2 := \frac{h_{rr} \psi_2 - \psi_1}{2h_{rr}^2}$  is “Finslerity” – **not covered by standard PPN ansatz**

# Kepler's third law

for circular orbits

$$\frac{r^3}{T^2} \left( 1 - \frac{c^2 r^2}{2GM} \left( \phi_0 \left( 1 - \frac{2GM}{c^2 r} \right) \right)' \right) = \frac{GM}{4\pi^2}$$

from observations

$$r_1 \left| \frac{\phi_0(r_2) - \phi_0(r_1)}{r_2 - r_1} \right| \leq 10^{-16}$$

for all  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  between Mercury and Neptune

# Radial acceleration

acceleration from rest

$$\frac{d^2 r}{d\tau^2} = -\frac{GM}{r^2} \left( 1 - \phi_1 - \phi_0' r \left( 1 - \frac{c^2 r}{2GM} \right) \right)$$

from observations

$$|\phi_1(r)| \leq 10^{-6}$$

so far no effect related to Finslerity

# Effects for Finslerity

- for access to the **Finslerity** one needs  $\dot{\phi} \neq 0$  **and**  $\dot{r} \neq 0$
- this is for light deflection, gravitational time delay, perihelion shift
- calculations are a bit involved ....

- light deflection

$$|10^4 \phi_1 + \phi_2| \leq 50$$

will be improved by Gaia

- gravitational time delay

$$|20 \phi_1 + \phi_2| \leq 10^{-3}$$

- perihelion shift

$$|\phi_2| \leq 10^{-3}$$

- effect most pronounced for perihelion shift (periodic motion)

C.L., Perlick, Hasse: PRD 2012

# Quantum mechanics in Finsler space

Finslerian Hamilton operator

$$H = H(p) \quad \text{with} \quad H(\lambda p) = \lambda^2 H(p)$$

“Power-law” ansatz (non-local operator)

$$H = \frac{1}{2m} \left( g^{i_1 \dots i_{2r}} \partial_{i_1} \dots \partial_{i_{2r}} \right)^{\frac{1}{r}}$$

Simplest case: quartic metric

$$H = \frac{1}{2m} \left( g^{ijkl} \partial_i \partial_j \partial_k \partial_l \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Deviation from standard case

$$\begin{aligned} H &= -\frac{1}{2m} \left( \Delta^2 + \phi^{ijkl} \partial_i \partial_j \partial_k \partial_l \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2m} \Delta \sqrt{1 + \frac{\phi^{ijkl} \partial_i \partial_j \partial_k \partial_l}{\Delta^2}} \end{aligned}$$

# Quantum mechanics in Finsler space

$$H = -\frac{1}{2m} \Delta \left( 1 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\phi^{ijkl} \partial_i \partial_j \partial_k \partial_l}{\Delta^2} \right)$$

- Hughes–Drever:  $H_{\text{tot}} = H + \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{B}$
- Atomic interferometry, atom–photon interaction

$$\delta\phi \sim H(p+k) - H(p) = \frac{k^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{m} \left( \delta^{il} + \frac{\phi^{ijkl} p_j p_k}{p^2} \right) p_i k_l$$

modified Doppler term: gives different Doppler term while rotating the whole apparatus (even in Finsler light still propagates on straight lines, anisotropy – deformed mass shell)

- incorporation of gravity needs relativistic framework

# Maxwell in Finsler space

Maxwell in Minkowski

$$\partial_{[a} F_{bc]} = 0 \quad \partial^b F_{ab} = J_a$$

Maxwell in Riemann

$$\partial_{[\mu} F_{\nu\rho]} = 0 \quad \partial^\nu F_{\mu\nu} = J_\mu$$

Maxwell in Finsler

$$\partial_{[\mu} F_{\nu\rho]} = 0 \quad H^\nu(\partial) F_{\mu\nu} = J_\mu$$

with

$$H^\mu(x, k) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial H(x, k)}{\partial k_\mu} \quad \text{with} \quad H(x, k) = k_\mu \dot{x}^\mu - L(x, \dot{x})$$

Then

- characteristics are Finslerian null geodesics
- Finsler modified Coulomb law in flat Finsler space

$$\Delta V + 2 \frac{\phi^{abcd} \partial_a \partial_b \partial_c \partial_d}{\Delta} V = q \delta(r) \quad \Rightarrow \quad V = \frac{q}{r} \left( 1 - \frac{3}{4r^4} \phi^{abcd} x_a x_b x_c x_d \right)$$



# Hydrogen atom

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left( \Delta + 2 \frac{\phi^{abcd} \partial_a \partial_b \partial_c \partial_d}{\Delta} \right) \Psi(\mathbf{r}) - \frac{e^2}{r} \left( 1 + \frac{3}{4r^4} \phi^{abcd} x_a x_b x_c x_d \right) \Psi(\mathbf{r}) = E \Psi(\mathbf{r})$$

can calculate shifts of energy levels

Itin, Perlick, C.L. in preparation

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# The basic equations

## The model

- Klein–Gordon equation

$$g^{\mu\nu} D_\mu D_\nu \varphi + m^2 \varphi = 0, \quad D = \partial + \{ \cdot \}$$

- Fluctuating metric

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}, \quad |h_{\mu\nu}| \ll 1$$

- noise

$$\langle h_{\mu\nu}(x) \rangle_{st} = \gamma_{\mu\nu}, \quad \delta^{\rho\sigma} \langle h_{\mu\rho}(x) h_{\nu\sigma}(x) \rangle_{st} = \sigma_{\mu\nu}^2$$

- small amplitude of fluctuations
- frequency might be large, wavelength might be small
- $\langle \cdot \rangle_{st}$  = averaging over a space–time volume
- we do not require the  $h_{\mu\nu}$  to obey a wave equation

# The basic equations

## Approximations

- Weak field up to second order  $\tilde{h}^{\mu\nu} = h^{\mu\rho}h_{\rho}^{\nu}$
- Relativistic approximation of metric and quantum field (à la Kiefer & Singh, PRD 1994)

$$\begin{aligned}
 H\psi = & -({}^{(3)}g)^{\frac{1}{4}} \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \Delta_{\text{cov}} \left( ({}^{(3)}g)^{-\frac{1}{4}} \psi' \right) + \frac{m}{2} \left( \tilde{h}_{(0)}^{00} - h_{(0)}^{00} \right) \psi \\
 & - \frac{1}{2} \left\{ i\hbar\partial_i, h_{(1)}^{i0} - \tilde{h}_{(1)}^{i0} \right\} \psi
 \end{aligned}$$

manifest hermitean w.r.t. flat scalar product

- only second order terms do not vanish by averaging
- Dirac equation

# Short wavelength

## Spatial average

- spatial average

$$\langle A\psi \rangle_s(x) := \frac{1}{V_x} \int_{V_x} A(y)\psi(y)d^3y$$

- short wavelength of fluctuations:  $V$  small
- spatial average of Schrödinger equation

$$H = \frac{1}{2m} (\delta^{ij} + \alpha^{ij}(x)) p_i p_j + \alpha_0$$

with  $\alpha(x) = \langle \tilde{h}^{ij} - h^{ij} \rangle_s(x)$

- $\alpha^{ij}(x)$ : small variation w.r.t.  $x$ , fluctuations w.r.t.  $t$ .
- decompose  $\alpha^{ij}(x) = \tilde{\alpha}^{ij}(x) + \gamma^{ij}(x)$  with  $\langle \gamma^{ij} \rangle_t = 0$
- $\tilde{\alpha}^{ij}(x)$  acts like an anomalous inertial mass tensor

# Space–time fluctuations

## Fluctuation model

- $\alpha^{ij} \leftrightarrow$  spectral noise density of fluctuations
- particular model:

$$\tilde{\alpha}^{ij}(x) = \frac{1}{V_x} \int_{V_x} \tilde{h}^{ij}(x, t) d^3x = \frac{1}{V_x} \int_{1/V_x} (S^2(k, t))^{ij} d^3k$$

- model: power law spectral noise density

$$(S^2(k, t))^{ij} = (S_{0n}^2)^{ij} |k|^n \xrightarrow{\text{integration}} \alpha^{ij}(x) = (S_{0n}^2)^{ij} \lambda_p^{-(6+n)}$$

with  $\dim(S_{0n}^2)^{ij} = \text{length}^{3+\frac{n}{2}}$

- $V_x \sim \lambda_p^3$
- $\lambda_p =$  invariant length scale of quantum object  $= \lambda_{\text{Compton}}$
- $\lambda_p =$  de Broglie wave length
- $\lambda_p =$  **geometric extension**  $l_p$  of quantum object (Bohr radius of atom)



# Space–time fluctuations

## Fluctuation model

- assumption:  $S_{0n} \sim l_{\text{Planck}}^{3+\frac{n}{2}}$ , then

$$\alpha^{ij}(x) \sim \left( \frac{l_{\text{Planck}}}{l_p} \right)^\beta a^{ij}(x), \quad \beta = 6 + n, \quad a^{ij}(x) = \mathcal{O}(1)$$

- effective Hamiltonian

$$H = \frac{1}{2m} \left( \delta^{ij} + \left( \frac{l_{\text{Planck}}}{l_p} \right)^\beta a^{ij}(x) \right) p_i p_j = \frac{1}{2m} \left( \delta^{ij} + \frac{\delta m^{ij}(x)}{m} \right) p_i p_j$$

$\delta m^{ij}$  = anomalous inertial mass tensor, depends on particle

- $\delta m^{ij}$  leads to violation of Universality of Free Fall

- $\beta = \frac{1}{2} \leftrightarrow$  random walk
- $\beta = \frac{2}{3} \leftrightarrow$  holographic noise

# Result

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metric fluctuations  $\Rightarrow$  anomalous inertial mass  $\rightarrow$  **apparent** violation of UFF

- alternative route for violation of UFF and LLI
- **need of quantum tests**

## Example

for Cesium and Hydrogen and geometric extension of atoms

$$\eta_{\beta=1} = 10^{-20}, \quad \eta_{\beta=2/3} = 10^{-15}, \quad \eta_{\beta=1/2} = 10^{-12}$$

accuracy  $10^{-15}$  is planned for the next years

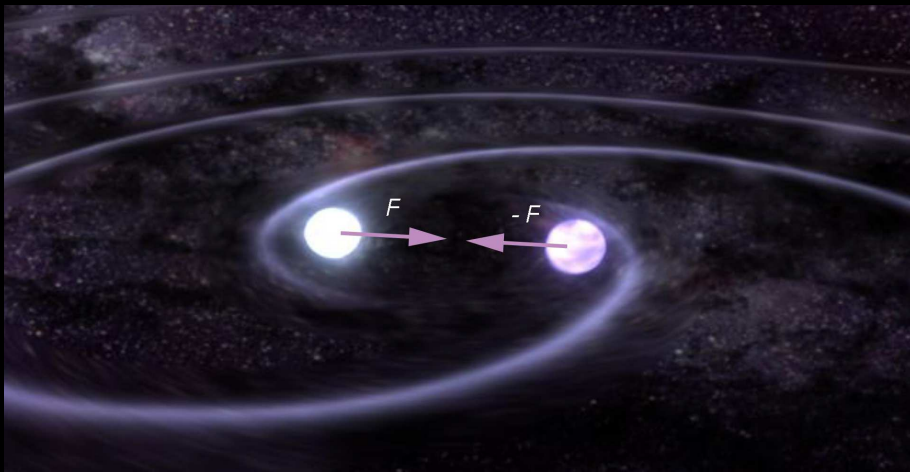
(Göklü & C.L. CQG 2008)



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actio = reactio ?



# Active and passive mass

Gravitationally bound two-body system (Bondi, RMP 1957)

$$m_{1i}\ddot{\mathbf{x}}_1 = m_{1p}m_{2a} \frac{\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_1}{|\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_1|^3}$$

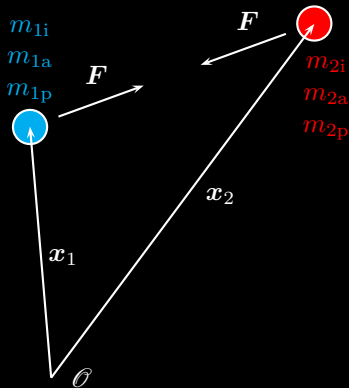
$$m_{2i}\ddot{\mathbf{x}}_2 = m_{2p}m_{1a} \frac{\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2}{|\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2|^3}$$

center-of-mass and relative coordinate

$$\mathbf{X} := \frac{m_{1i}}{M_i} \mathbf{x}_1 + \frac{m_{2i}}{M_i} \mathbf{x}_2$$

$$\mathbf{x} := \mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_1$$

$M_i = m_{1i} + m_{2i}$  = total inertial mass. Then



# Active and passive mass

Decoupled dynamics of relative coordinate

$$\ddot{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{m_{1p}m_{2p}}{M_i} C_{21} \frac{\mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}|^3} \quad \text{with} \quad C_{21} = \frac{m_{2a}}{m_{2p}} - \frac{m_{1a}}{m_{1p}}$$

$$\ddot{\mathbf{x}} = -\frac{m_{1p}m_{2p}}{m_{1i}m_{2i}} \left( m_{1i} \frac{m_{1a}}{m_{1p}} + m_{2i} \frac{m_{2a}}{m_{2p}} \right) \frac{\mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}|^3}$$

- $C_{21} = 0$ : ratio of the active and passive masses are equal for both particles
- $C_{21} \neq 0$ :  $\Rightarrow$  self-acceleration of center of mass

Interpretation

$$\ddot{\mathbf{x}} \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow C_{12} \neq 0 \Leftrightarrow$$

- Violation of law of reciprocal action or of *actio = reactio* for gravity
- The gravitational field created by masses of same weight depends on its composition. Has the same status as the Weak Equivalence Principle.

Requires experimental tests ...

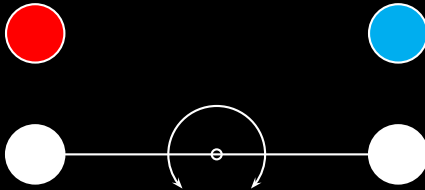
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## Measurement of relative acceleration

Step 1: Take two masses with  $m_{pg1} = m_{pg2}$  (equal weight)

Step 2: Test active equality of these two masses with torsion balance

Experimental setup: Torsion balance with equal passive masses reacting on  $m_{ag1}$  and  $m_{ag2}$



No effect has been seen:  $C_{12} \leq 5 \cdot 10^{-5}$  (Kreuzer, PR 1868)

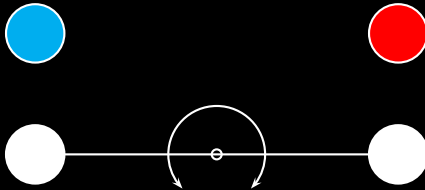
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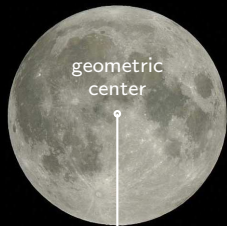
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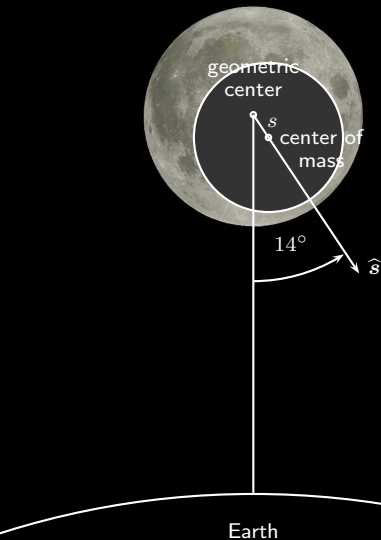
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acceleration

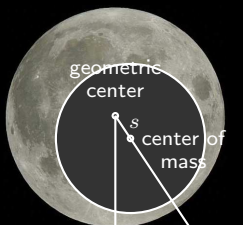
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Experiment testing  $m_{ga} = m_{gp}$ 

Measurement of center-of-mass acceleration





Experiment testing  $m_{\text{ga}} = m_{\text{gp}}$ 

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Earth

Measurement of center-of-mass acceleration

$$\frac{F_{\text{self}}}{F_{\text{EM}}} = C_{\text{Al-Fe}} \frac{M_{\text{M}} r_{\text{EM}}^2}{M_{\oplus} r_{\text{M}}^2} \frac{s}{r_{\text{M}}} \frac{\rho}{\Delta\rho} \hat{s}$$

Effect of tangential part: increase of orbital angular velocity

$$\frac{\Delta\omega}{\omega} = 6\pi \frac{F_{\text{self}}}{F_{\text{EM}}} \sin 14^\circ \text{ per month}$$

From LLR  $\frac{\Delta\omega}{\omega} \leq 10^{-12}$  per month

$$\Rightarrow C_{\text{Al-Fe}} \leq 7 \cdot 10^{-13}$$

**Bartlett & van Buren, PRL 1986**  
 significant improvement with new  
 LLR data and moon orbiter data  
 possible

# Active and passive charges: Dynamics

C.L., Macias, Müller, PRA 2007

Dynamics of two electrically bound particles ( $\mathbf{E}$  = external electric field)

$$m_{1i}\ddot{\mathbf{x}}_1 = q_{1p}q_{2a} \frac{\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_1}{|\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_1|^3} + q_{1p}\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}_1)$$

$$m_{2i}\ddot{\mathbf{x}}_2 = q_{2p}q_{1a} \frac{\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2}{|\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2|^3} + q_{2p}\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}_2)$$

- Similar phenomena
- New feature: Active and passive neutrality
- Very good neutrality measurements  $\Rightarrow C_{12} \leq 10^{-21}$
- Other approach through fine structure constant for H and He<sup>+</sup>
- Also: active and passive magnetic moment
- Theory: no Hamiltonian for total system, only for relative motion

One should do dedicated experiments!



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# Summary and outlook

- discussion of underlying assumptions influencing the meaning of UFF and EEP
- order of equation of motion
- Finsler geometry as example for no inertial system / violation of local Minkowski
- no test theory so far for Finslerian modification of gravity, needs considerations **beyond PPN**
- Finslerian modification of Schwarzschild
- Solar system effects
- Finsler is further example for **violation of Schiff's conjecture**
  
- Earth–Moon system in field of Sun, should lead to extra polarization, comparison with LLR data
- Finslerian extension of Kerr



# Main theme

Gravity and its structure can only be explored through the motion of test particles

## Test particles

- Orbits and clocks
- Massive particles and light
- quantum fields

## What is gravity depends on the structure of the equation of motion

- Existence of inertial systems
- Order of differential equation
- Dependence on particle parameters

# Summary

What determines gravity?

$$\text{GR} = \text{UFF} + \text{CP} + \text{LLI} + \text{UGR} + \text{Newton potential} + \text{UGF} + \dots$$

- scheme not complete as far as Einstein's equations are concerned
- part of it can be interpreted as test of Newton's axioms: IS + CP + UGF
- fundamental violation of principle vs. apparent violation of principle

What are the fundamental principles?

# Summary

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