

Stability of cosmological solutions in Horndeski theory with respect to background anisotropy

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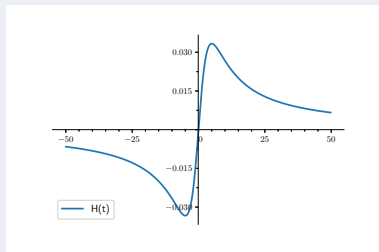
» Some problems of Inflation

- * η -problem. In large field models of inflation, the inflaton has to traverse a distance in field space larger than the Planck mass M_{pl} in natural units. This has been argued to be problematic, since non-renormalizable quantum corrections to the field's action arise. In the absence of functional fine-tuning or additional symmetries, inflation would be spoiled;
- * The presence of eternal inflation in almost all proposals has been argued to lead to a possible loss of predictability due to our inability to prescribe a unique measure: this is the so-called measure problem.
- * Inflation does not provide a theory of initial conditions that would explain why the inflaton field starts out high in its potential.

A. Linde (2014), 1402.0526

» Alternative scenarios

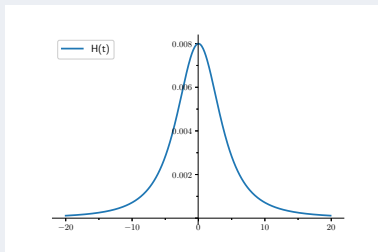
Bounce



Starts from contracting stage \Rightarrow
bounce \Rightarrow expansion

M. Novello, S. E. Perez Bergliaffa (2008), arXiv:
0802.1634

Genesis



Starts from Minkowski, empty
space, then energy density builds
up, Universe starts to expand,
expansion accelerates.

Creminelli, Nicolis, Trincherini (2010), arXiv:
1007.0027

Both can be viewed as alternatives to, or completion of inflation.

» Null energy condition (NEC)

$$T_{\mu\nu}n^\mu n^\nu \geq 0$$

for any null vector n^μ , such that $n_\mu n^\mu = 0$

- * Quite robust
- * Implies a number of properties. For example: Penrose theorem.

Penrose' 1965

In cosmology: if the NEC holds, and spatial curvature is negligible, there is initial singularity

\Rightarrow No Bounce or Genesis.

» Horndeski theory

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} (\mathcal{L}_2 + \mathcal{L}_3 + \mathcal{L}_4 + \mathcal{L}_5),$$

$$\mathcal{L}_2 = F(\pi, X),$$

$$\mathcal{L}_3 = K(\pi, X) \square \pi,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_4 = -G_4(\pi, X) R + 2G_{4X}(\pi, X) [(\square \pi)^2 - \pi_{;\mu\nu} \pi^{;\mu\nu}],$$

$$\mathcal{L}_5 = G_5(\pi, X) G^{\mu\nu} \pi_{;\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{3} G_{5X} [(\square \pi)^3 - 3 \square \pi \pi_{;\mu\nu} \pi^{;\mu\nu} + 2 \pi_{;\mu\nu} \pi^{;\mu\rho} \pi_{;\rho}{}^\nu],$$

where π is the scalar field, $X = g^{\mu\nu} \pi_{;\mu} \pi_{;\nu}$, $\pi_{;\mu} = \partial_\mu \pi$, $\pi_{;\mu\nu} = \nabla_\nu \nabla_\mu \pi$, $\square \pi = g^{\mu\nu} \nabla_\nu \nabla_\mu \pi$, $G_{4X} = \partial G_4 / \partial X$, etc.

» Perturbations above FLRW background

$$ds^2 = dt^2 - a^2(t) (dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2).$$

The decomposition of the perturbation of the metric $h_{\mu\nu}$ by helicities has the following form

$$h_{00} = 2\Phi$$

$$h_{0i} = -\partial_i\beta + Z_i^T,$$

$$h_{ij} = -2\Psi\delta_{ij} - 2\partial_i\partial_j E - \left(\partial_i W_j^T + \partial_j W_i^T\right) + h_{ij}^T,$$

where Φ, β, Ψ, E - scalar fields, Z_i^T, W_i^T - transverse vector fields, $(\partial_i Z_i^T = \partial_i W_i^T = 0)$, h_{ij}^T - transverse traceless tensor. Also we denote $\delta\pi = \chi$.

» The second-order action

Standart way:

- * Use the unitary gauge $E = \chi = 0$.
- * Solve constraints on Φ and β .

$$S^{(2)} = \int dt d^3x a^3 \left[\frac{\mathcal{G}_T}{2} (\dot{h}_{ij})^2 - \mathcal{F}_T \frac{(\vec{\nabla} h_{ij})^2}{a^2} + \mathcal{G}_S (\dot{\zeta})^2 - \mathcal{F}_S \frac{(\vec{\nabla} \zeta)^2}{a^2} \right].$$

$\mathcal{G}_T, \mathcal{F}_T, \mathcal{G}_S, \mathcal{F}_S$ - functions depending on F, K, G_4, G_5 and their derivatives.

» No-go theorem

To avoid ghost and gradient instabilities one requires $\mathcal{G}_T > 0$, $\mathcal{G}_S > 0$ and $\mathcal{F}_T > 0$, $\mathcal{F}_S > 0$.

\mathcal{F}_S has a structure:

$$\mathcal{F}_S = \frac{1}{a} \frac{d}{dt} \xi - \mathcal{F}_T$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \xi = a \cdot (\mathcal{F}_S + \mathcal{F}_T) > 0,$$

The point is that

$$\xi = \frac{a\mathcal{G}_T^2}{2\theta},$$

is, therefore, a monotonously growing function, which means it must cross zero at some point, but we have \mathcal{G}_T^2 in the numerator of ξ . These two statements contradict each other.

Furthermore, at the point $\xi = 0$ $\theta \rightarrow \infty$ which means that the background fields H and π diverge, and that there is a singularity in the theory.

» Ways to avoid No-go theorem

1. Beyond Horndeski theory:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} = & \mathcal{L}_H + F_4(\pi, X)\epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho}{}_{\sigma}\epsilon^{\mu'\nu'\rho'\sigma}\pi_{,\mu}\pi_{,\mu'}\pi_{;\nu\nu'}\pi_{;\rho\rho'} \\ & + F_5(\pi, X)\epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}\epsilon^{\mu'\nu'\rho'\sigma'}\pi_{,\mu}\pi_{,\mu'}\pi_{;\nu\nu'}\pi_{;\rho\rho'}\pi_{;\sigma\sigma'},\end{aligned}$$

then $\xi = \frac{a\mathcal{G}_T(\mathcal{G}_T+D)}{2\theta}$ and one can construct stable non-singular solution.

S. Mironov, V. Rubakov, and V. Volkova (2018 - 2020), arXiv: 1807.08361, 1905.06249, 1910.07019.

2. Naive strong coupling:

$$\int_{-\infty}^t \frac{d\xi}{dt} dt = \int_{-\infty}^t a(t) [\mathcal{F}_T(t) + \mathcal{F}_S(t)] dt < \infty$$

This implies that $\mathcal{F}_T \rightarrow 0, \mathcal{F}_S \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow -\infty$; One also has $\mathcal{G}_T \rightarrow 0, \mathcal{G}_S \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow -\infty$. In this case, the coefficients in the quadratic action for perturbations about the classical solution tend to zero as $t \rightarrow -\infty$. It has been shown that, if we consider the next order of action for perturbations, the strong coupling can be avoided for a specific choice of the parameters of theory.

Y. Ageeva, P. Petrov and V. Rubakov (2020-2022), arXiv: 2009.05071, 2003.01202, 2104.13412

» $\theta = 0$

The quadratic action for the scalar perturbations has the form

$$\begin{aligned}
 S^{(2)} = \int dt d^3x a^3 & \left(A_1 \dot{\Psi}^2 + A_2 \frac{(\vec{\nabla} \Psi)^2}{a^2} + A_3 \Phi^2 + A_4 \Phi \frac{\vec{\nabla}^2 \beta}{a^2} + A_5 \dot{\Psi} \frac{\vec{\nabla}^2 \beta}{a^2} \right. \\
 & + A_6 \Phi \dot{\Psi} + A_7 \Phi \frac{\vec{\nabla}^2 \Psi}{a^2} + A_8 \Phi \frac{\vec{\nabla}^2 \chi}{a^2} + A_9 \dot{\chi} \frac{\vec{\nabla}^2 \beta}{a^2} + A_{10} \chi \ddot{\Psi} + A_{11} \Phi \dot{\chi} \\
 & + A_{12} \chi \frac{\vec{\nabla}^2 \beta}{a^2} + A_{13} \chi \frac{\vec{\nabla}^2 \Psi}{a^2} + A_{14} \dot{\chi}^2 + A_{15} \frac{(\vec{\nabla} \chi)^2}{a^2} + A_{17} \Phi \chi \\
 & \left. + A_{18} \dot{\Psi} \chi + A_{19} \Psi \chi + A_{20} \chi^2 \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

where $A_4 = \theta$, $A_6 = 3\theta$, and $E = 0$ - partial gauge fix.

» Gauge invariant variables

This action is invariant with respect to small coordinate transformations:

$$x^\mu \rightarrow x^\mu - \xi^\mu,$$

where $\xi^\mu = (\xi_0, \xi_T^i + \delta^{ij} \partial_j \xi_S)^T$. In which the fields change as:

$$\Phi \rightarrow \Phi + \dot{\xi}_0, \quad \beta \rightarrow \beta - \xi_0 + a^2 \dot{\xi}_S, \quad \chi \rightarrow \chi + \xi_0 \dot{\pi}, \quad \Psi \rightarrow \Psi + \xi_0 H, \quad E \rightarrow E - \dot{\xi}_S.$$

The action can be rewritten in explicitly gauge-invariant form by introducing new variables (Bardeen variables):

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{X} &= \chi + \dot{\pi} \left(\frac{\beta}{a^2} + \dot{E} \right), \\ \mathcal{Y} &= \Psi + H \left(\frac{\beta}{a^2} + \dot{E} \right), \\ \mathcal{Z} &= \Phi + \frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{\beta}{a^2} + \dot{E} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

» Three variables action

In terms of these variables, the action will take the form

$$\begin{aligned}
 S^{(2)} = \int dt d^3x a^3 & \left(A_1 (\dot{y})^2 + A_2 \frac{(\vec{\nabla}y)^2}{a^2} + A_3 Z^2 + A_6 Z\dot{y} + A_7 Z \frac{\vec{\nabla}^2 y}{a^2} \right. \\
 & + A_8 Z \frac{\vec{\nabla}^2 \mathcal{X}}{a^2} + A_{10} \mathcal{X}\ddot{y} + A_{11} Z\dot{\mathcal{X}} + A_{13} \mathcal{X} \frac{\vec{\nabla}^2 y}{a^2} + A_{14} (\dot{\mathcal{X}})^2 \\
 & \left. + A_{15} \frac{(\vec{\nabla}\mathcal{X})^2}{a^2} + A_{17} Z\mathcal{X} + A_{18} \mathcal{X}\dot{y} + A_{20} \mathcal{X}^2 \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

At this point it is clearly seen that the field Z is non-dynamic and we can derive a Z -constraint which has the following form:

$$Z = \frac{1}{2A_3} \left(-A_7 \frac{\vec{\nabla}^2 y}{a^2} - A_8 \frac{\vec{\nabla}^2 \mathcal{X}}{a^2} + 3A_4 \dot{y} - A_{11} \dot{\mathcal{X}} - A_{17} \mathcal{X} \right)$$

We used that $A_6 = -3A_4$.

» Brief summary

Due to the following relations for the coefficients:

$$A_3 = \frac{3}{2}A_4H - \frac{1}{2}A_{11}\dot{\pi},$$

Our options:

$A_4 \neq 0$	$c_\infty^2 = \mathcal{F}_S/\mathcal{G}_S$	
$A_4 \equiv 0$	$\dot{\pi} \neq 0$	no dynamics in scalar sector
	$\dot{\pi} = 0, H = 0$	$c_\infty^2 = 1$

Thus, we obtained that $A_4 = 0$ everywhere, always leads to a stable solution in the scalar perturbation sector. In the case of non-trivial field π there are no dynamical scalar perturbations, and thus the stability condition does not arise at all, and in the case of a static background field π , we obtain a scalar perturbation with the sound speed squared $c_\infty^2 = 1$.

» Reconstruction of Lagrangian functions

Without loss of generality we choose the following form of the scalar field

$$\pi(t) = t,$$

so that $X = 1$. To reconstruct the theory which corresponds some solution we use the following ansatz for the Lagrangian functions

$$F(\pi, X) = f_0(\pi) + f_1(\pi) \cdot X,$$

$$K(\pi, X) = k_1(\pi) \cdot X,$$

$$G_4(\pi, X) = \frac{1}{2}.$$

We are interested to consider the case $G_4 = \text{const}$, which corresponds to GR.

Only the equations of motion and the condition $A_4 = 0$ remain as possible constraints:

$$f_0 = -\dot{H},$$

$$f_1 = -3H^2,$$

$$k_1 = H.$$

» Bouncing solution

Hubble parameter can be chosen in the following form for the case of the bounce:

$$H(t) = \frac{t}{3(\tau^2 + t^2)},$$

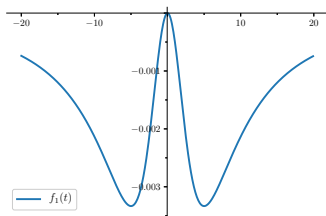
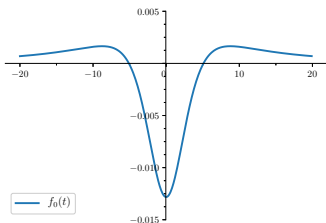
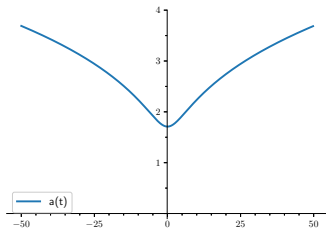
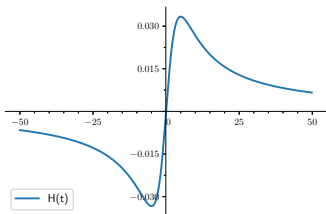
so that

$$a(t) = (\tau^2 + t^2)^{\frac{1}{6}},$$

and the bounce occurs at $t = 0$. In what follows we take $\tau \gg 1$ to make this scale safely greater than Planck time. The parameter τ determines the duration of the bouncing stage.

Corresponding Lagrangian reads

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{\pi^2 - \tau^2}{3(\tau^2 + \pi^2)^2} - \frac{\pi^2 X}{(\tau^2 + \pi^2)^2} + \frac{\pi X}{3(\tau^2 + \pi^2)} \square \pi + \frac{1}{2} R.$$



Hubble parameter $H(t)$, scale factor $a(t)$ and the Lagrangian functions $f_0(t)$, $f_1(t)$ of the bouncing scenario with parameter $\tau = 25$ (recall that $k_1(t) = H(t)$).

» Anisotropic Bianchi I background

Background metric:

$$ds^2 = dt^2 - (a^2(t)dx^2 + b^2(t)dy^2 + c^2(t)dz^2).$$

The decomposition of metric perturbations $h_{\mu\nu}$ into helicity components in this case has the form

$$h_{00} = 2\Phi$$

$$h_{0i} = -\partial_i\beta + Z_i^T,$$

$$h_{ij} = -2\frac{H_i}{H}\Psi g_{ij} - 2\partial_i\partial_j E - (\partial_i W_j^T + \partial_j W_i^T) + h_{ij}^T,$$

where Φ, β, Ψ, E - scalar fields, H_i - Hubble parameters ($i = a, b, c$) and $H = \frac{1}{3}(H_a + H_b + H_c)$, Z_i^T, W_i^T - are transverse vector fields, $(\partial_i Z_i^T = \partial_i W_i^T = 0)$, h_{ij}^T - is transverse traceless tensor.

» The second-order action

Then the second-order action for scalar sector has the form:

$$\begin{aligned}
 S^{(2)} = \int dx \, abc \left(\frac{1}{6} A_1 \sum_{i \neq j} \dot{\Psi}_i \dot{\Psi}_j + \frac{A_2}{2} \sum_{\substack{i=a,b,c \\ i \neq j \neq k}} \Delta_i \Psi_j \Delta_i \Psi_k + A_3 \Phi^2 \right. \\
 + \Phi (A_4^i \Delta_i^2 \beta) + A_5 \sum_{\substack{i=a,b,c \\ i \neq j \neq k}} \dot{\Psi}_i (\Delta_j^2 \beta + \Delta_k^2 \beta) + \Phi (A_6^i \dot{\Psi}_i) + \frac{A_7}{2} \Phi \sum_{\substack{i=a,b,c \\ i \neq j \neq k}} \Delta_i^2 (\Psi_j + \Psi_k) \\
 + \Phi (A_8^i \Delta_i^2 \chi) + \dot{\chi} (A_9^i \Delta_i^2 \beta) + \chi (A_{10}^i \ddot{\Psi}_i) + A_{11} \Phi \dot{\chi} + \chi (A_{12}^i \Delta_i^2 \beta) \\
 + \chi \sum_{i,j} \frac{1}{2} A_{13}^{ij} (\Delta_i^2 \Psi_j + \Delta_j^2 \Psi_i) + A_{14} (\dot{\chi})^2 + A_{15}^i (\Delta_i \chi)^2 + A_{17} \Phi \chi + \chi (A_{18}^i \dot{\Psi}_i) \\
 + A_{20} \chi^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\substack{i,j=a,b,c \\ i \neq j}} B^{ij} \Psi_i \dot{\Psi}_j - \Psi_a (B^{ab} \Delta_y^2 \beta + B^{ac} \Delta_z^2 \beta) + \Psi_b (B^{ab} \Delta_x^2 \beta + B^{bc} \Delta_z^2 \beta) \\
 \left. + \Psi_c (B^{ac} \Delta_x^2 \beta - B^{bc} \Delta_y^2 \beta) \right),
 \end{aligned}$$

where $\Psi_i = \bar{H}_i \Psi$ и $\bar{H}_i = H_i/H$.

» The stability of the Bounce solution with respect to small anisotropy

We consider the action in the unitary gauge $\chi = 0$ and direct the momentum \bar{k} along the x-axis, so $\bar{k} = (k_x, 0, 0)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 S^{(2)} = \int dx \, abc \left(\frac{1}{6} A_1 \sum_{i \neq j} \dot{\Psi}_i \dot{\Psi}_j - A_2 k_x^2 \Psi_b \Psi_c + A_3 \Phi^2 + A_4^a k_x^2 \Phi \beta \right. \\
 + A_5 \beta k_x^2 (\dot{\Psi}_b + \dot{\Psi}_c) + \Phi (A_6^i \dot{\Psi}_i) + A_7 \Phi k_x^2 (\Psi_b + \Psi_c) \\
 \left. + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\substack{i,j=a,b,c \\ i \neq j}} B^{ij} \Psi_i \dot{\Psi}_j - k_x^2 \beta (B^{ab} \Psi_b + B^{ac} \Psi_c) \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

After removing the constraints, we get the following action on the Ψ variable

$$S^{(2)} = \int dt d^3x abc \left(\mathcal{G}_S (\dot{\Psi})^2 + M\Psi^2 + \mathcal{F}_S \frac{k_x^2}{a^2} \Psi^2 \right),$$

where

$$\mathcal{G}_S = \frac{2}{9} \frac{A_3 A_1^2}{(A_4^x)^2} (\bar{H}_b + \bar{H}_c)^2 - \frac{2}{3} \frac{A_1}{A_4^x} (A_4^y \bar{H}_b + A_4^z \bar{H}_c) (\bar{H}_b + \bar{H}_c) + \frac{2}{3} A_1 \bar{H}_b \bar{H}_c,$$

$$\mathcal{F}_S = -2A_2 \bar{H}_b \bar{H}_c - \frac{1}{9a^3} (\bar{H}_b + \bar{H}_c)^2 \frac{d}{dt} \left[\frac{A_1^2 a^3}{A_4^x} \right] + \frac{A_1^2}{9A_4^x} (\bar{H}_b^2 - \bar{H}_c^2) (H_b - H_c),$$

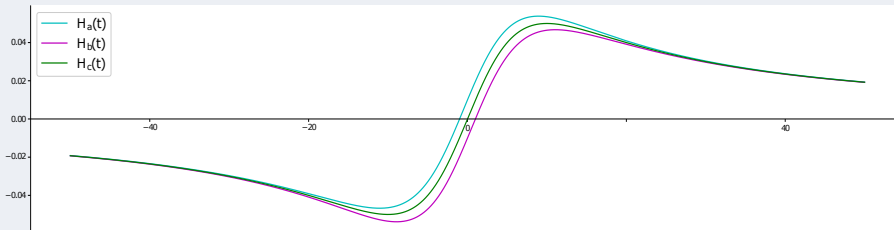
» Anisotropic bounce

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{\pi^2 - \tau^2}{3(\tau^2 + \pi^2)^2} - \frac{\pi^2 X}{(\tau^2 + \pi^2)^2} + \frac{\pi X}{3(\tau^2 + \pi^2)} \square \pi + \frac{1}{2} R.$$

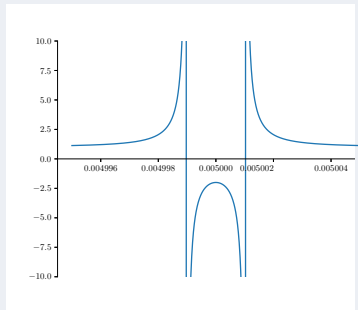
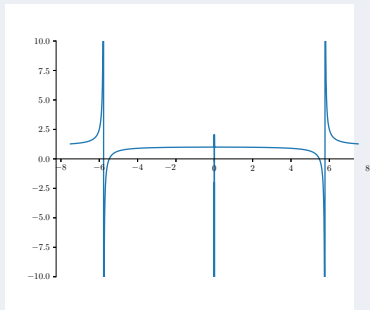
Anisotropic bounce:

$$H_a = \frac{t}{(\tau^2 + t^2)} + \frac{\alpha}{(\tau^2 + t^2)^{3/2}}, \quad H_b = \frac{t}{(\tau^2 + t^2)} - \frac{\alpha}{(\tau^2 + t^2)^{3/2}}, \quad H_c = \frac{t}{(\tau^2 + t^2)}.$$

Here the parameter τ defines the bounce amplitude and α the degree of deviation from the isotropic case



To analyze the stability of the scalar field, we numerically plot the square of the speed of sound c_S^2 :



The square of the speed of sound c_S^2 , when we choose $\alpha = 0.1, \tau = 10$. In this case, the square of the speed of sound will have at least 2 symmetric singular points and tends to 0 as universe becomes isotropic.

Thank you for your attention!

- * A combination of Einstein equations (spatially flat):

$$\frac{dH}{dt} = -4\pi G(\rho + p)$$

$\rho = T_{00}$ = energy density; $T_{ij} = \delta_{ij}p$ = effective pressure.

- * The Null Energy Condition:

$$T_{\mu\nu}n^\mu n^\nu \geq 0, n^\mu = (1, 1, 0, 0) \implies \rho + p \geq 0 \implies dH/dt \leq 0,$$

Hubble parameter was greater early on. **No bounce**

- * Another side of the NEC: Covariant energy-momentum conservation:

$$\frac{d\rho}{dt} = -3H(\rho + p)$$

NEC: energy density decreases during expansion, except for $p = -\rho$, cosmological constant. **No Genesis**

» An example of an attempt to violate the NEC

Let's consider Minkowski background with one scalar field π , a spatially homogeneous classical solution $\pi_c(t)$ may or may not be pathological. The pathology, if any, shows up in the behavior of small perturbations about this background, $\pi = \pi_c + \chi$. Assuming that the linearized field equation for χ is of the second order in derivatives, the quadratic Lagrangian for χ is always given by

$$L_\chi^{(2)} = \frac{1}{2}U\dot{\chi}^2 - \frac{1}{2}V(\partial_i\chi)^2 - \frac{1}{2}W\chi^2$$

Rubakov V A "The Null Energy Condition and its violation"Phys. Usp. 57 128–142 (2014)

The dispersion relation is

$$U\omega^2 = V\mathbf{p}^2 + W,$$

1. Stable background: $U > 0, V > 0, W \geq 0$ energy density for perturbations

$$T_{00}^{(2)} = \frac{1}{2}U\dot{\chi}^2 + \frac{1}{2}V(\partial_i\chi)^2 + \frac{1}{2}W\chi^2 > 0$$

- 1.1 $V < U$ - subluminal speed - OK
- 1.2 $V > U$ - super-luminal speed - theory cannot be UV-completed in a Lorentz- invariant way.
- 1.3 $U = V$ - potentially problematic.
- 1.4 $U > 0, V > 0, W < 0$ - Tachyonic instability.
2. $U > 0, V < 0$ or $U < 0, V > 0$ - Gradient instability.
3. $U < 0, V < 0$ - Ghost instability.

» Only $A_4 = 0$ case

After integrating out Z , introducing

$$\zeta = \mathcal{Y} + \eta\mathcal{X}, \quad \eta = \frac{3A_{11}A_4 - 2A_{10}A_3}{4A_1A_3 - 9A_4^2},$$

and integrating out \mathcal{X} variable, we get the following action:

$$S^{(2)} = \int dt d^3x a^3 \left(A_2 \frac{(\vec{\nabla}\zeta)^2}{a^2} - \frac{1}{9} \frac{A_1^2}{A_3} \frac{(\vec{\nabla}^2\zeta)^2}{a^4} \right)$$

which means the absence of dynamics of the field ζ .

» Additional options

From the view of the Z-constraint,

$$\mathcal{Z} = \frac{1}{2A_3} \left(-A_7 \frac{\vec{\nabla}^2 \mathcal{Y}}{a^2} - A_8 \frac{\vec{\nabla}^2 \mathcal{X}}{a^2} + 3A_4 \dot{\mathcal{Y}} - A_{11} \dot{\mathcal{X}} - A_{17} \mathcal{X} \right)$$

we can also distinguish the case $A_3 = 0$ as a singular point. By reason of the following ratios on the coefficients

$$A_3 = \frac{3}{2} A_4 H - \frac{1}{2} A_{11} \dot{\pi},$$

we have two options: $A_4 = 0, A_{11} = 0$ and $A_4 = 0, \dot{\pi} = 0$.

$$\gg A_4 = 0, A_{11} = 0$$

In this case, the Z -constraint gives us the condition:

$$\mathcal{X} = -\frac{A_7}{A_8} \mathcal{Y}$$

Which brings the action into the following form:

$$S^{(2)} = \int dt d^3x a^3 m \mathcal{Y}^2$$

where

$$m = (\text{Some VERY big expression})$$

$$\gg A_4 = 0, \dot{\pi} = 0$$

In this case, the condition $A_4 = 0$ takes the form of:

$$G_4 H = 0$$

For $A_4 = 0$ it is also necessary to impose the condition $H = 0$. And the action takes the form:

$$S^{(2)} = \int dt d^3x a^3 \left(\mathcal{G}_S (\dot{\mathcal{Y}})^2 + m\mathcal{Y}^2 - \mathcal{F}_S \frac{(\vec{\nabla}\mathcal{Y})^2}{a^2} \right)$$

Where $\mathcal{F}_S = \mathcal{G}_S$ The case of the Minkowski space in GR ($G_4 = \frac{1}{2}$) is a special case of this solution.