# **Braneworld Gravity**

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# Why Braneworld Gravity?

- New framework to look at (and attempt to solve) long standing problems: Hierarchy problem, Cosmological Constant problem(s), ...
- Can have a wealth of phenomenological implications:
  - Graviton KK production in accelerators
  - Table-top (sub-millimeter) experiments
  - Solar System observations
  - <u>Cosmology</u>
  - Black hole physics



## Braneworld Gravit*ies*

Braneworld gravity has been extensively studied ...



#### IT'S GETTING TOO CROWDED!!

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#### Outline

- Unified framework for braneworld gravity
- Static Case: AdS5/AdS4 with localized curvature
- Phenomenological issues:
  - Ghosts and tachyons
  - Strong Coupling
  - vDVZ discontinuity
  - Cross-over behavior of gravity
- Time-dependent backgrounds: implications for cosmology
  - Modified Friedmann equation
  - Acceleration in AdS!
- Conclusions and future work



# Can we do all in one?

- Can we study all these interesting features in a <u>unified framework</u>?
- We have to choose a general enough model:

AdS<sub>5</sub>/AdS<sub>4</sub> with localized curvature terms

Karch, Randall '01 Dvali, Gabadadze, Porrati '00

- And then study all phenomenological implications:
  - Spectrum: masses and couplings
  - Instabilities due to ghosts, tachyons
  - Strong coupling effects
  - Cosmological implications



# The Model

The Action

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$$\frac{S}{4M^3} = \int d^5x \sqrt{-G} \left[ R + 12k^2 \right] + \int_{\partial \mathcal{M}} K + \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \int_{\Phi_i=0} d^4x^{(i)} \sqrt{-g^{(i)}} \left[ \frac{v_i}{k} R^{(i)} - \frac{\mathcal{L}_i}{2M^3} \right]$$

• Equations of Motion

$$R_{MN} - \frac{G_{MN}}{2}(R+12k^2) = 0$$
$$\frac{v_i}{k} \left( R_{\alpha\beta}^{(i)} - \frac{g_{\alpha\beta}^{(i)}}{2} R^{(i)} \right) + 2(K_{\alpha\beta}^{(i)} - g_{\alpha\beta}^{(i)} K^{(i)}) = \frac{T_{\alpha\beta}^{(i)}}{2M^3}$$



# Static Case I: Background



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# Static Case II: Linearized analysis

- We want to study the spectrum of linearized perturbations
  - Expand around background metric

$$G_{MN} = G_{MN}^0 + h_{MN}$$

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- Perform a full gauge fixing

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Straight gauge, 
$$h_{\mu 4} = 0$$
,  $h_{44} = F(y)\psi(x)$ 

- Compute the action at quadratic (+ leading cubic) level in  $h_{MN}$ and integrate out the extra dimension 4D effective action  $h_{\mu\nu}(x,y) = a^2(y)h_{\mu\nu}^{(0)}(x) + \sum_q \mathcal{Y}^{(q)}(y)h_{\mu\nu}^{(q)}(x) + \dots$ Massless zero mode (2 dof) massive modes (5 dof)



# Static case II: Linearized analysis (cont'ed)

• Effective 4D Action:

$$\frac{S}{2M^{3}} = \int d^{4}x \sqrt{-g} \left\{ \overline{C_{\psi}}\psi[\nabla^{2} + 4H^{4}]\psi + \frac{C_{g}^{(0)}}{4}h^{(0)}\mu\nu[\nabla^{2} + 2H^{2}]h^{(0)}_{\mu\nu} + \sum_{q>0} \frac{C_{g}^{(q)}}{4}h^{(q)}\mu\nu[\nabla^{2} + 2H^{2} - m_{q}^{2}]h^{(q)}_{\mu\nu} \right\}$$

 Kinetic coefficients and masses are functions of the parameters of the model:

$$k$$
,  $v_i$ ,  $w_i$ 

We can study the presence of ghosts, tachyons, strong coupling, or cross-over behavior of gravity as a function of them.



#### Ghostbusting

•  $C_g^{(q)}, C_{\psi} < 0 \implies$  physical spectrum contains ghosts

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## Tachyons

• It is also possible that  $m_q^2 < 0$ 

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#### So what?

# This AdS5/AdS4 model is very interesting but what is it *really* useful for?

We don't live in Anti de Sitter space, do we?



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#### **Time-dependent case**

• Let's consider a time dependent background (FRW-like)

$$ds^{2} = -n^{2}(t, y)dt^{2} + a^{2}(t, y)\gamma_{ij}dx^{i}dx^{j} + b^{2}(t, y)dy^{2}$$

- Brane energy-momentum tensor  $T_{\nu}^{i\,\mu} = \text{diag}(\rho, -p, -p, -p)$
- Equations of motion Binetruy, Deffayet, Ellwanger, Langlois '00

Bulk
 Brane

 
$$\frac{n'\dot{a}}{n} + \frac{a'\dot{b}}{ab} - \frac{\dot{a}'}{a} = 0$$
 $3\frac{v_i}{k}\left(\frac{\dot{a}_i^2}{a_i^2n_i^2} + \frac{K}{a_i^2}\right) = 6\frac{a'_i}{a_ib_i} = \frac{\rho_i}{2M^3}$ 
 $\frac{\dot{a}^2}{a^2n^2} + \frac{K}{a^2} + k^2 - \frac{C}{a^4} = \frac{a'^2}{a^2b^2}$ 
 $\dot{\rho}_i + 3\frac{\dot{a}_i}{a_i}(\rho_i + p_i) = 0$ 



# Time-dependent case (Cont'ed)

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Deffayet '01; Deffayet, Dvali, Gabadadze '02; ...

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  - Possible issues with BAO Fairbairn, Goobar '05
  - Ghosts in self-accelerating branch?

Luty, Porrati, Rattazzi '03; Nicolis, Rattazzi '04; Koyama '05

(work in progress)



# Acceleration in AdS!

- AdS5/AdS4 with localized curvature terms can thus explain the current acceleration of the Universe
- All necessary ingredients are present in string theory (that naturally prefers AdS vacua)
- Generic to models of infrared modifications of gravity to explain acceleration of the Universe
- Still many things to work out (but AdS curvature may help)
  - spectrum in time-dependent backgrounds (ghosts, tachyons, ...)
  - Strong coupling effects
  - Cosmological perturbations and non-geometrical tests



# **Conclusions and Outlook**

- AdS5/AdS4 with localized curvature is a unified description that parametrizes a wide class of interesting braneworld gravity models
- It is possible to study once and for all phenomenological issues such as ghosts, tachyons, strong coupling, cross-over behavior, etc.
- Negative tensions allowed as long as positive and large localized curvature terms are included
- Very exciting cosmological implications: acceleration in AdS!!!
- Work in progress:
  - Study of spectrum in time-dependent backgrounds
  - Search of viable models that interpolate between DGP and RS
  - Check consistency with non-geometrical cosmological tests