

EFT Methods for General Relativity

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Roughly 3 blocks:

1) GR as a QFT

- to think like a field theorist

- Feynman rules

2) Effective Field Theory

- as a full QFT

3) GR as an EFT

- tie together

- limits

Along the way:

Maybe

Background Field Method

Path Integrals

Renormalization Theory

Heat Kernel Techniques

Web site: (Donoghue UMass or Donoghue GRQFT)

- References (EPFL lectures; Dynamic of SM...)

- Notes, summaries, links

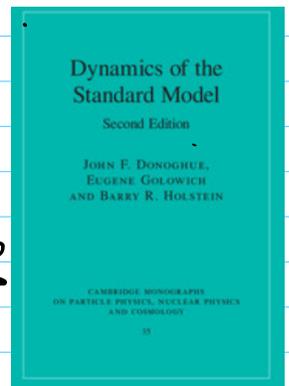
- also note ISQG lectures (~10 hrs)

- plus EFT lectures at PT (~6 hrs)

Note: "Dynamics of Standard Model" is free

- JFD, Golowich + Holstein

- link is on webpage



Constructing theories

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\Psi} (i \not{\partial} - m) \Psi$$

Symmetry $\Psi \rightarrow e^{i\theta} \Psi$

Current $e \bar{\Psi} \gamma_\mu \Psi = e J_\mu$

Gauge symmetry $\Psi \rightarrow e^{i\theta(x)} \Psi$

New field $D_\mu \Psi \rightarrow e^{i\theta(x)} D_\mu \Psi$

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\Psi} (i \not{D} - m) \Psi \rightarrow \mathcal{I}$$

$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu + ie A_\mu$$

$$A_\mu \rightarrow A_\mu + \frac{1}{e} \partial_\mu \theta$$

Now $\mathcal{L} = \bar{\Psi} \dots e A \Psi$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{I}}{\partial A_\mu} \sim \underbrace{e \bar{\Psi} \gamma_\mu \Psi}_{\text{source}} \quad \checkmark$$

Use

$$[D_\mu, D_\nu] \Psi = ie F_{\mu\nu} \Psi$$

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \bar{\Psi} (i \not{D} - m) \Psi$$

invariant

$$\Rightarrow \partial^\mu F_{\mu\nu} = e J_\nu$$

$$\partial_{\mu\nu} \partial^\nu A^\mu = \partial_{\mu\nu} \partial^\nu A^\mu$$

$$\partial_{\mu\nu} A^\nu \square A^\mu - \partial_\nu (\partial_\mu A^\mu) = e J_\nu$$

not invertible

Choose gauge $\partial_\mu A^\mu = 0 \Rightarrow \square A = J$

QFT

$$\overline{\psi} \psi$$

$$\overline{\psi}_\mu \frac{1}{g^2} \overline{J}^\mu \rightarrow$$

$$L_1 \frac{1}{4\pi\alpha'} L_2$$

Non abelian

$$\psi \rightarrow U\psi \rightarrow \overline{\psi} \dots \frac{1}{2} \psi$$

$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu + ig \frac{1}{2} A_\mu^A = \partial_\mu + ig A_\mu$$

$$F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu + ig [A_\mu, A_\nu]$$

- ghosts ~~ψ~~

Gravity

Want energy as source } $\Rightarrow T_{\mu\nu}$
- stress
- light bending

$T_{\mu\nu}$ is current for

$$\psi_\mu \rightarrow \psi_\mu + a_\mu$$

$$H = \int d^3x T_{00}$$

$$\partial^\mu T_{\mu\nu} = 0$$

Ex: $I = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi - m^2 \phi^2)$

$$T_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - \frac{\eta_{\mu\nu}}{2} (\partial_\sigma \phi \partial^\sigma \phi - m^2 \phi^2)$$

Gauge spacetime translation

$$\psi_\mu \rightarrow \psi_\mu + a_\mu(x) = \psi'_\mu(x)$$

Crazy May work!

$$\begin{array}{c} \boxed{\begin{array}{c} \circ \\ \times \end{array}} \quad a=0 \quad \sim \quad \boxed{\begin{array}{c} \circ \\ \times \end{array}} \quad \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ a=g \end{array} \\ \circ \downarrow g \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \boxed{\begin{array}{c} \circ \\ \times \end{array}} \quad \downarrow a=g \\ \circ \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \boxed{\begin{array}{c} \circ \\ \times \end{array}} \quad \begin{array}{c} a=0 \\ g=0 \end{array} \end{array}$$

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~~Old~~ New field

$$ds = \eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu \rightarrow g_{\mu\nu}(x) dx^\mu dx^\nu$$

$$dx^\mu = \underbrace{J^\mu_\nu}_{J^\mu_\nu(x) = \frac{\partial x^\mu}{\partial x'^\nu}} dx'^\nu$$

$$g'_{\mu\nu} dx'^\mu dx'^\nu = g_{\alpha\beta} dx^\alpha dx^\beta$$

$$dx'^\mu = J^\mu_\nu dx^\nu$$

$$g' = J^{-1} g J$$

$$g'_{\mu\nu} = J^\alpha_\mu J^\beta_\nu g_{\alpha\beta}$$

Success

$$S = \int \underbrace{d^4x \sqrt{-g}}_{\text{invariant}} \frac{1}{2} [g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - m^2 \phi^2]$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial g^{\mu\nu}} = \frac{\sqrt{-g}}{2} \left[\partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} (\partial_\alpha \phi \partial^\alpha \phi - m^2 \phi^2) \right]$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{-g}}{2} \underline{T_{\mu\nu}}$$

Success #2

$$\underline{\underline{g}} = \frac{1}{2} T_{\mu\nu} \frac{P_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}}{g^2} T^{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\underline{\underline{NR}} \rightarrow \frac{h^2}{32\pi} \frac{m_0, m_c}{\pi} \quad \checkmark$$

Success #3

$$\frac{\delta S}{\delta \phi} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \partial_\mu (g^{\mu\nu} \sqrt{g} \partial_\nu) \phi + m^2 \phi = 0$$

$D_\mu \phi = \partial_\mu \phi$
 $D_\mu (\partial \phi) = (\partial + \Gamma) \partial \phi$

N.R. reduction $\phi(x, t) = e^{-im_E t} \psi(x, t)$

Need $g_{00} = 1 + 2\phi_g$ small & def.

ψ grav pot

$$\Rightarrow i \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \left[\frac{-\nabla^2}{2m} + m \phi_g \right] \psi$$

$m_E = m_g$

Force law $\vec{p} = -i [H, \vec{p}] = -m \vec{\nabla} \phi = m \vec{a}$

Construct gravity part

$$dx \rightarrow \int dx$$

$$V^\mu \rightarrow \underline{D} V \rightarrow \int \underline{D} V$$

$$D = (\partial + \Gamma) V$$

$$\star D_\mu V^\nu = \partial_\mu V^\nu + \Gamma_{\mu\rho}^\nu V^\rho \quad \partial + \Gamma_\mu = \underline{D}_\mu$$

Could be new field

or composed field $\Gamma_{\mu\rho}^\lambda = \frac{1}{2} g^{\lambda\sigma} [\partial_\mu g_{\sigma\rho} + \partial_\rho g_{\sigma\mu} - \partial_\sigma g_{\mu\rho}]$

If use EP



$$\partial_\mu \gamma_{\alpha\nu} = 0$$

$$\underbrace{D_\mu g_{\alpha\beta}} = 0 \quad \leftarrow \text{metricity}$$

$$\Gamma = \Lambda$$

Covariant

$$[D_\mu, D_\nu] V^\rho = R_{\mu\nu}{}^\rho{}_\sigma V^\sigma$$

$$D'_\mu D'_\nu V^\rho$$

$$\rightarrow [D'_\mu, D'_\nu] V^\rho$$

$$R_{\mu\nu}{}^\rho{}_\sigma = \partial_\mu \Gamma_{\nu\sigma}{}^\rho - \partial_\nu \Gamma_{\mu\sigma}{}^\rho + \Gamma_{\mu\lambda}{}^\rho \Gamma_{\nu\sigma}{}^\lambda - \Gamma_{\nu\lambda}{}^\rho \Gamma_{\mu\sigma}{}^\lambda$$

$$R_{\mu\nu} = R_{\nu\mu}, \quad R = g^{\mu\nu} R_{\mu\nu}$$

EFT $\Gamma \Rightarrow \partial g$

$$R \sim \partial^2 g$$

$$S^{mv} g_{\mu\nu} = \int d^4x$$

Invariant action

$$S = S d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[-\frac{2}{\kappa^2} R + \underbrace{R_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} R^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma}}_{\sim \partial^4 g} \dots \right]$$

Eg on Motion

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} R = \frac{\kappa^2}{4} T_{\mu\nu}$$



Weak field expansion

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \kappa h_{\mu\nu}(x)$$

$$g^{\mu\nu} = \eta^{\mu\nu} - \kappa h^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2} \kappa^2 h^{\mu\lambda} h^{\lambda\nu} + \dots$$

$$\underbrace{\left[-\kappa \left(h_{\mu\nu} - \partial_\mu \partial_\nu h^\lambda{}_\lambda \right) \right]}_{\text{no inverse}} = \frac{\kappa^2}{4} T_{\mu\nu}$$

$$O_{\mu\nu}{}^{\alpha\beta} G_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}(x-y) = \frac{1}{2} I_{\mu\nu\gamma\delta} \delta_D^{(4)}(x-y),$$

where

$$O_{\alpha\beta}{}^{\mu\nu} \equiv (\delta_\alpha^\mu \delta_\beta^\nu - \eta^{\mu\nu} \eta_{\alpha\beta}) \square - 2\delta_{(\alpha}^{\mu} \partial^{\nu)} \partial_\beta + \eta_{\alpha\beta} \partial^\mu \partial^\nu + \eta^{\mu\nu} \partial_\alpha \partial_\beta.$$

Gauge invariance $N^\mu \rightarrow N^\mu + \xi^\mu(x)$

$$h_{\mu\nu} \Rightarrow h_{\mu\nu} - \partial_\mu \xi_\nu - \partial_\nu \xi_\mu$$

Gauge fixing

harmonic gauge
de Donder gauge $\left[\partial_\mu h^\mu{}_\nu - \frac{1}{2} \partial_\nu h^\lambda{}_\lambda \right] = 0$

Then $\square \left(h_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} \eta_{\mu\nu} h^\lambda{}_\lambda \right) = \frac{\kappa^2}{4} T_{\mu\nu}$

Invertible:

$$D_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{8} \frac{1}{2} \left[\eta_{\mu\alpha} \eta_{\nu\beta} + \eta_{\mu\beta} \eta_{\nu\alpha} - \eta_{\mu\nu} \eta_{\alpha\beta} \right]$$

2nd quant.

$$h_{\mu\nu} = \sum \left[\underbrace{E_{\mu\nu}^\dagger}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ E_\mu^\dagger E_\nu^\dagger}} a_{\vec{k}} e^{-i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{x}} + \dots \right]$$

Point mass

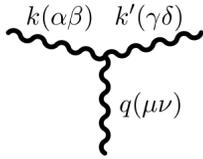
$$h_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} 2\phi_g & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2\phi_g & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2\phi_g & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2\phi_g \end{pmatrix} \quad \phi_g = -\frac{GM}{r}$$

$$32\pi G = \kappa^2$$

Feynman rules

 $iD_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}$ \rightarrow

$$\overline{\Gamma} \begin{array}{c} \vec{p}' \\ \hline \vec{p} \\ \downarrow \\ \mu, \nu \end{array} = \frac{\kappa^2}{2} \left[\underbrace{(p_\mu p'_\nu + p'_\mu p_\nu) - \eta_{\mu\nu}(p \cdot p' - m^2)} \right]$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{i\kappa}{2} \left(P_{\alpha\beta,\gamma\delta} \left[k^\mu k^\nu + (k-q)^\mu (k-q)^\nu + q^\mu q^\nu - \frac{3}{2} \eta^{\mu\nu} q^2 \right] \right. \\
 &+ 2q_\lambda q_\sigma \left[I^{\lambda\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} I^{\mu\nu}_{\gamma\delta} + I^{\lambda\sigma}_{\gamma\delta} I^{\mu\nu}_{\alpha\beta} - I^{\lambda\mu}_{\alpha\beta} I^{\sigma\nu}_{\gamma\delta} - I^{\sigma\nu}_{\alpha\beta} I^{\lambda\mu}_{\gamma\delta} \right] \\
 &+ \left[q_\lambda q^\mu (\eta_{\alpha\beta} I^{\lambda\nu}_{\gamma\delta} + \eta_{\gamma\delta} I^{\lambda\nu}_{\alpha\beta}) + q_\lambda q^\nu (\eta_{\alpha\beta} I^{\lambda\mu}_{\gamma\delta} + \eta_{\gamma\delta} I^{\lambda\mu}_{\alpha\beta}) \right. \\
 &- q^2 (\eta_{\alpha\beta} I^{\mu\nu}_{\gamma\delta} + \eta_{\gamma\delta} I^{\mu\nu}_{\alpha\beta}) - \eta^{\mu\nu} q^\lambda q^\sigma (\eta_{\alpha\beta} I_{\gamma\delta,\lambda\sigma} + \eta_{\gamma\delta} I_{\alpha\beta,\lambda\sigma}) \left. \right] \\
 &+ \left[2q^\lambda \left(I^{\sigma\nu}_{\alpha\beta} I_{\gamma\delta,\lambda\sigma} (k-q)^\mu + I^{\sigma\mu}_{\alpha\beta} I_{\gamma\delta,\lambda\sigma} (k-q)^\nu \right. \right. \\
 &- \left. \left. I^{\sigma\nu}_{\gamma\delta} I_{\alpha\beta,\lambda\sigma} k^\mu - I^{\sigma\mu}_{\gamma\delta} I_{\alpha\beta,\lambda\sigma} k^\nu \right) \right. \\
 &+ \left. q^2 \left(I^{\sigma\mu}_{\alpha\beta} I_{\gamma\delta,\sigma}{}^\nu + I_{\alpha\beta,\sigma}{}^\nu I^{\sigma\mu}_{\gamma\delta} \right) + \eta^{\mu\nu} q^\lambda q_\sigma \left(I^{\rho\sigma}_{\gamma\delta} I_{\alpha\beta,\lambda\rho} + I^{\rho\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} I_{\gamma\delta,\lambda\rho} \right) \right] \\
 &+ \left[\left(k^2 + (k-q)^2 \right) \left(I^{\sigma\mu}_{\alpha\beta} I_{\gamma\delta,\sigma}{}^\nu + I^{\sigma\nu}_{\alpha\beta} I_{\gamma\delta,\sigma}{}^\mu - \frac{1}{2} \eta^{\mu\nu} P_{\alpha\beta,\gamma\delta} \right) \right. \\
 &\left. - k^2 \eta_{\gamma\delta} I^{\mu\nu}_{\alpha\beta} - (k-q)^2 \eta_{\alpha\beta} I^{\mu\nu}_{\gamma\delta} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

← E_p of graviton



} vanish on shell

$$\Gamma_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\eta_{\mu\alpha} \eta_{\nu\beta} + \eta_{\nu\alpha} \eta_{\mu\beta} \right]$$

Reflect

⊗ GR from symmetry

It is all fields

$$\frac{2}{\kappa^2} R \rightarrow -\frac{1}{4g^2} F^2$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \searrow \\ \searrow \end{array} \right\} g = \eta + h \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \partial h \partial h$$

QFT

$$\text{In } \mathcal{O} \left(\frac{k}{2} \right)^2 \frac{1}{2} \mu^{4-d} \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{1}{k^2} \frac{1}{(D-E)} \epsilon [k \theta \epsilon]$$
$$\sim \underbrace{\left[\frac{1}{\epsilon} - \ln \frac{\mu^2}{\Lambda^2} \right]}_{E^4} [8888] \uparrow 4k$$

Not like $R \sim \partial \partial \sim E^2$

$$R^2 \sim \partial \partial \partial \partial \sim E^4$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta \mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{\epsilon} (R^2 - \delta R_{\mu\nu} R^{\mu\nu})$$

small δ

R^2 terms will be generated in S_g

$$N'_\mu = A_\mu^\nu(x) N_\nu + a_\mu(x)$$