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# Dark Matter at Galactic Scales & MOND

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- 3 Dielectric analogy and dipolar dark matter
- 4 DDM based on massive bigravity theory

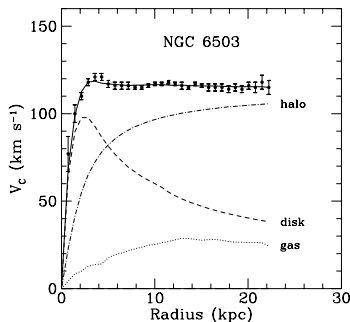
# PHENOMENOLOGY OF GALACTIC DARK MATTER

# Evidence for dark matter in Astrophysics

- 1 Oort [1932] noted that the sum of observed mass in the vicinity of the Sun falls short of explaining the vertical motion of stars in the Milky Way
- 2 Zwicky [1933] reported that the velocity dispersion of galaxies in galaxy clusters is far too high for these objects to remain bound for a substantial fraction of cosmic time
- 3 Ostriker & Peebles [1973] showed that to prevent the growth of instabilities in cold self-gravitating disks like spiral galaxies, it is necessary to embed the disk in the quasi-spherical potential of a huge halo of dark matter
- 4 Bosma [1981] and Rubin [1982] established that the rotation curves of galaxies are approximately flat, contrarily to the Newtonian prediction based on ordinary baryonic matter



# Rotation curves of galaxies are approximately flat



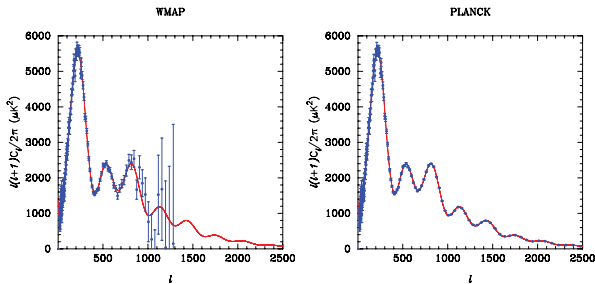
- For a circular orbit we expect

$$v(r) = \sqrt{\frac{GM(r)}{r}}$$

- The fact that  $v(r)$  is constant implies that beyond the optical disk

$$M_{\text{halo}}(r) \simeq r \quad \rho_{\text{halo}}(r) \simeq \frac{1}{r^2}$$

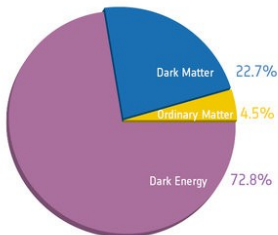
# The cosmological concordance model $\Lambda$ -CDM



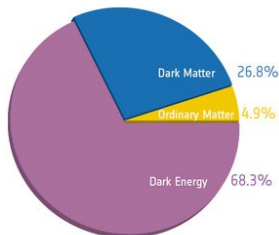
This model brilliantly accounts for:

- The mass discrepancy between the dynamical and luminous masses of clusters of galaxies
- The precise measurements of the anisotropies of the cosmic microwave background (CMB)
- The formation and growth of large scale structures as seen in deep redshift and weak lensing surveys
- The fainting of the light curves of distant supernovae

# Problem of the dark constituents of the Universe



Before Planck



After Planck

$\Lambda$ -CDM assumes General Relativity is the correct theory of gravity but:

- No known particle in the standard model of particle physics could be the particle of dark matter
- Extensions of the standard model of particle physics provide well-motivated but yet to be discovered candidates
- The numerical value of the cosmological constant  $\Lambda$  looks un-natural from a quantum field perspective

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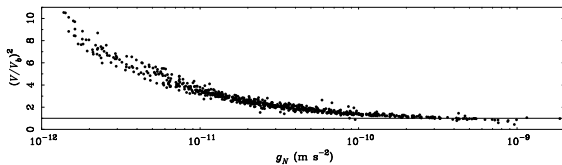
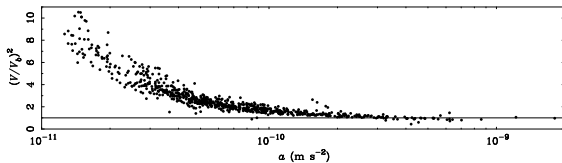
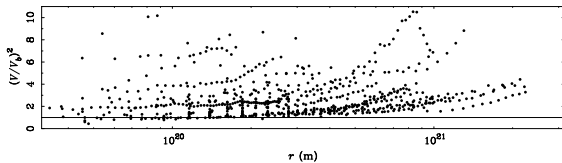
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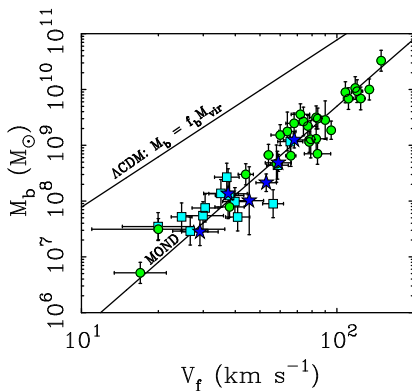
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All these challenges are mysteriously solved (sometimes with incredible success) by the **MOND empirical formula** [Milgrom 1983]

# Mass discrepancy versus acceleration [Milgrom 1983]



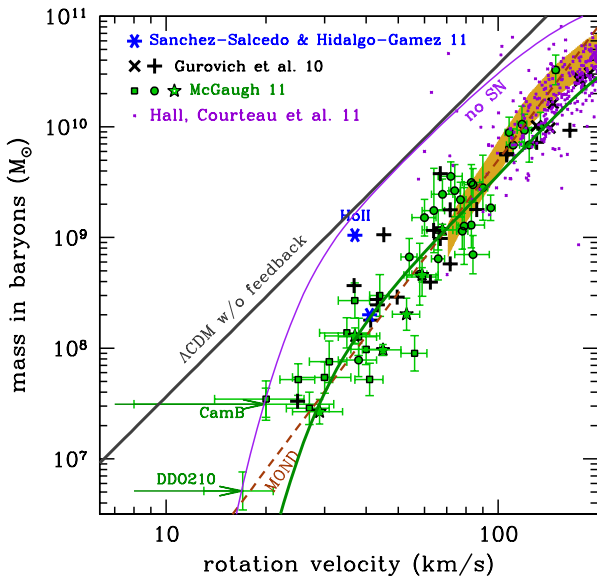
# Baryonic Tully-Fisher relation [Tully & Fisher 1977, McGaugh 2011]



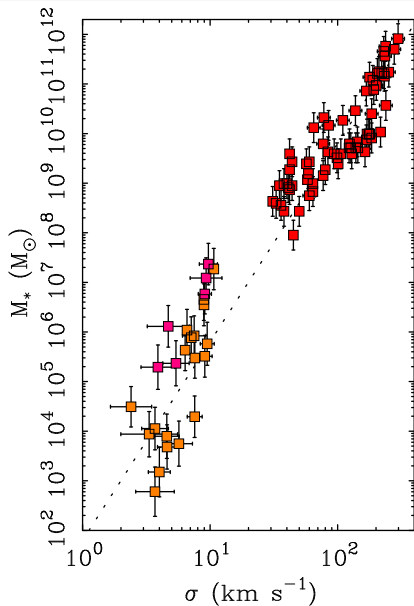
We have approximately  $V_f \simeq (G M_b a_0)^{1/4}$  where  $a_0 \simeq 1.2 \times 10^{-10} \text{m/s}^2$  is very close (mysteriously enough) to typical cosmological values

$$a_0 \simeq 1.3 a_\Lambda \quad \text{with} \quad a_\Lambda = \frac{c^2}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda}{3}}$$

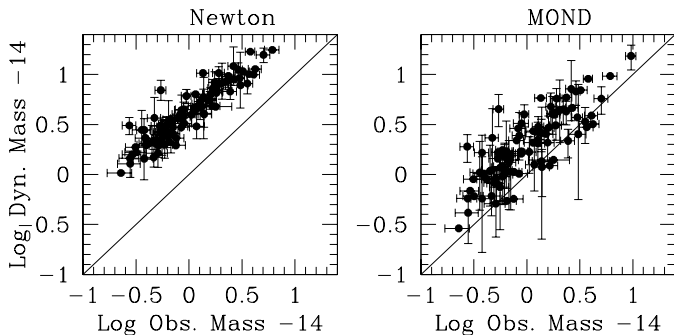
# BTF relation fitted with $\Lambda$ -CDM [Silk & Mamon 2012]



# Mass velocity dispersion relation [Faber & Jackson 1976]



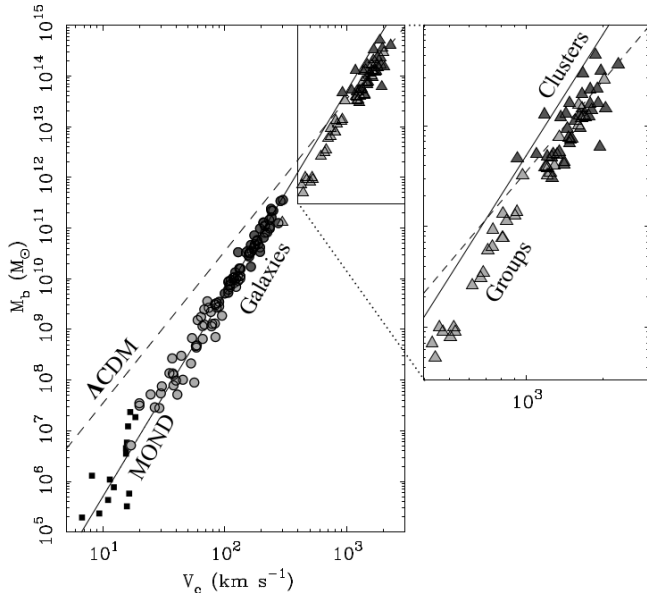
# Problem with galaxy clusters [Gerbal, Durret *et al.* 1992, Sanders 1999]



- The mass discrepancy is  $\approx 4 - 5$  with Newton and  $\approx 2$  with MOND
- The bullet cluster and more generally X-ray emitting galaxy clusters can be fitted with MOND only with a component of baryonic dark matter and/or hot/warm neutrinos [Angus, Famaey & Buote 2008]



## Galactic versus cosmological scales



# MODIFIED GRAVITY THEORIES

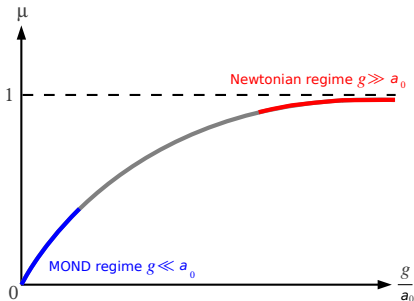
# Modified Poisson equation [Milgrom 1983, Bekenstein & Milgrom 1984]

MOND takes the form of a modified Poisson equation

$$\nabla \cdot \left[ \underbrace{\mu \left( \frac{g}{a_0} \right)}_{\text{MOND function}} \mathbf{g} \right] = -4\pi G \rho_{\text{baryon}} \quad \text{avec} \quad \mathbf{g} = \nabla U$$



- The Newtonian regime is recovered when  $g \gg a_0$
- In the MOND regime  $g \ll a_0$  we have  $\mu \simeq g/a_0$



# Generalized scalar-tensor (RAQUAL) [Bekenstein & Sanders 1994]

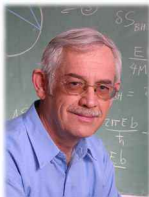
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{scalar-tensor}} = \frac{\sqrt{-g}}{16\pi} \left[ R + 2a_0^2 F \left( g^{\mu\nu} \frac{\partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi}{a_0^2} \right) \right] + \mathcal{L}_m[\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}, \Psi]$$

- “**Scalar  $k$ -essence theory**” (non-standard kinetic term) with matter fields universally coupled to the physical metric

$$\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = e^{2\phi} g_{\mu\nu}$$

- Specifying  $F$  this theory reproduces MOND in galaxies
- However light signals do not feel the presence of the scalar field so the theory does not explain the dark matter seen by gravitational lensing

# Tensor-vector-scalar (TeVS) [Bekenstein 2004, Sanders 2005]



- **Disformal coupling** postulated in the matter action

$$\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = e^{2\phi}(g_{\mu\nu} + A_\mu A_\nu) - e^{-2\phi} A_\mu A_\nu$$

- Scalar-tensor part similar to RAQUAL

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{scalar-tensor}} = \frac{\sqrt{-g}}{16\pi} \left[ R + 2a_0^2 F \left( (g^{\mu\nu} - A^\mu A^\nu) \frac{\partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi}{a_0^2} \right) \right] + \mathcal{L}_m[\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}, \Psi]$$

- This requires adding a vector part

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{vector}} = \frac{\sqrt{-g}}{16\pi} \left[ k F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} + \underbrace{\lambda (A^\mu A_\mu + 1)}_{\text{Lagrange constraint}} \right]$$

# Generalized Einstein-Æther [Zlosnik et al. 2007, Halle et al. 2008]

- Motivation from Lorentz-invariance violation [Jacobson & Mattingly 2001]

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{A}} = \frac{\sqrt{-g}}{16\pi} \left[ R + K + \underbrace{\lambda(g^{\mu\nu} n_{\mu} n_{\nu} + 1)}_{\text{Lagrange constraint}} \right]$$

- Most general Lagrangian quadratic in derivatives of the vector field  $n^{\mu}$

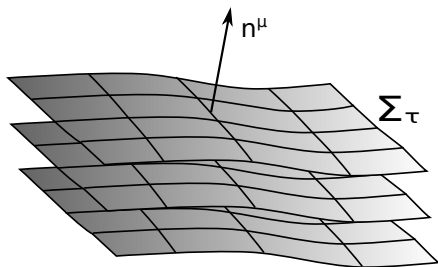
$$\begin{aligned} K &= \mathcal{K}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \nabla_{\mu} n_{\rho} \nabla_{\nu} n_{\sigma} \\ K^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} &= c_1 g^{\mu\nu} g^{\rho\sigma} + c_2 g^{\mu\rho} g^{\nu\sigma} + c_3 g^{\mu\sigma} g^{\nu\rho} + c_4 n^{\mu} n^{\nu} g^{\rho\sigma} \end{aligned}$$

- Vector  $k$ -essence generalization of Einstein-Æther theories

$$\mathcal{L}_{G\mathcal{A}} = \frac{\sqrt{-g}}{16\pi} \left[ R + F(K) + \lambda(g^{\mu\nu} n_{\mu} n_{\nu} + 1) \right]$$

- No problem with light deflection in these theories

# From the Æther to the Khronon



To get rid of the Lagrange constraint we choose  $n_\mu$  to be **hypersurface orthogonal**

$$n_\mu = -N\partial_\mu\tau$$

where  $\tau$  is a dynamical scalar field called the **Khronon** and where

$$N = \frac{1}{\sqrt{-g^{\rho\sigma}\partial_\rho\tau\partial_\sigma\tau}}$$

Looking for a modification of GR for weak accelerations we can take the acceleration of the congruence of worldlines orthogonal to the foliation

$$a_\mu = n^\nu\nabla_\nu n_\mu = D_\mu \ln N$$

# Chronometric theory [Blanchet & Marsat 2011, Sanders 2011]

Like for Einstein-Æther the theory admits a covariant formulation

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Einstein-Khronon}} = \frac{\sqrt{-g}}{16\pi} \left[ R - 2f(a) \right] + \mathcal{L}_m[g_{\mu\nu}, \Psi]$$

but its content is best understood in adapted coordinates where  $t = \tau$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Einstein-Khronon}} = \frac{\sqrt{\gamma}}{16\pi} N \left[ \mathcal{R} + K_{ij}K^{ij} - K^2 - 2f(a) \right] + \mathcal{L}_m[N, N_i, \gamma_{ij}, \Psi]$$

where  $a_\mu = D_\mu \ln N$  and  $N, N_i, \gamma_{ij}$  are purely geometrical quantities

- For a choice of function  $f$  we recover GR+ $\Lambda$  in the strong-field regime  $a \gg a_0$  and MOND in the weak-field regime  $a \ll a_0$
- No problem with light deflection
- But no viable cosmology



# Bimetric theory (BiMOND) [Milgrom 2009]

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_{\text{BiMOND}} = & \frac{1}{16\pi} \int d^4x \left[ (-g)^{1/2} R[g] + (-\hat{g})^{1/2} R[\hat{g}] + \underbrace{2a_0^2 (g\hat{g})^{1/4} F\left[\frac{Z}{a_0^2}\right]}_{\text{interaction term}} \right] \\
 & + \underbrace{S_m[g_{\mu\nu}, \psi]}_{\text{ordinary matter}} + \underbrace{\hat{S}_m[\hat{g}_{\mu\nu}, \hat{\psi}]}_{\text{twin matter}}
 \end{aligned}$$

- The two metrics  $g_{\mu\nu}$  and  $\hat{g}_{\mu\nu}$  interact through the difference of Christoffel symbols  $C_{\mu\nu}^\lambda = \Gamma_{\mu\nu}^\lambda - \hat{\Gamma}_{\mu\nu}^\lambda$  (which is a tensor)

$$Z = \frac{1}{2} (g^{\mu\nu} + \hat{g}^{\mu\nu}) \left[ C_{\mu\lambda}^\gamma C_{\nu\gamma}^\lambda - C_{\mu\nu}^\gamma C_{\lambda\gamma}^\lambda \right]$$

- The twin matter is not dark matter but is a replica of ordinary matter living in the other sector

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# Microscopic description of DDM?

- The DM medium by individual dipole moments  $\mathbf{p}$  and a polarization field  $\mathbf{P}$

$$\mathbf{P} = n \mathbf{p} \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{p} = m \boldsymbol{\xi}$$

- The polarization is induced by the gravitational field of ordinary masses

$$\mathbf{P} = -\frac{\chi}{4\pi G} \mathbf{g} \quad \boxed{\rho_{\text{DDM}} = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{P}}$$

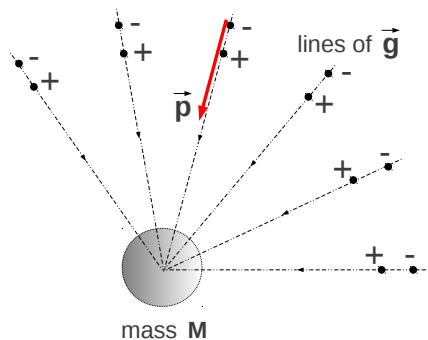
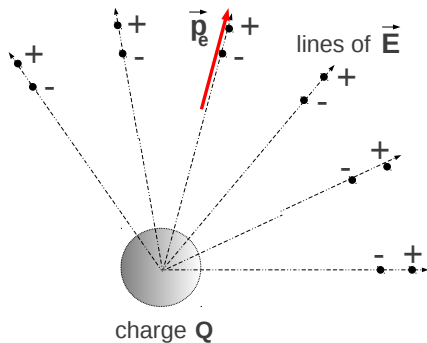
The dipole moments should be made by particles with **positive and negative gravitational masses**  $(m_i, m_g) = (m, \pm m)$

- Because like masses attract and unlike ones repel we have anti-screening of ordinary masses by polarization masses

$$\boxed{\chi < 0}$$

which is in agreement with DM and MOND

# Anti-screening by polarization masses



Screening by polarization charges

$$\chi_e > 0$$

Anti-screening by polarization masses

$$\chi < 0$$

# Need of a non-gravitational internal force

- The constituents of the dipole will repel each other so we need a non-gravitational force

$$\frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt} = \nabla(U + \phi) \quad \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt} = -\nabla(U + \phi)$$

and look for an equilibrium when  $\nabla(U + \phi) = \mathbf{0}$

- The internal force is generated by the gravitational charge *i.e.* the mass

$$\Delta\phi = -\frac{4\pi G}{\chi}(\rho - \underline{\rho})$$

- The DM medium appears as a **polarizable plasma of particles** ( $m, \pm m$ ) oscillating at the natural plasma frequency

$$\frac{d^2\xi}{dt^2} + \omega^2\xi = 2g \quad \text{with} \quad \omega = \sqrt{-\frac{8\pi G \rho_0}{\chi}}$$

# DDM BASED ON MASSIVE BIGRAVITY THEORY

# DDM via a bimetric extension of GR [Bernard & Blanchet 2014]

- ① To describe relativistically some microscopic DM particles with positive or negative gravitational masses one needs two metrics
  - $g_{\mu\nu}$  obeyed by ordinary particles (including baryons)
  - $f_{\mu\nu}$  obeyed by “dark” particles
- ② In addition the DM particles forming the dipole moment should interact via a non-gravitational force field, e.g. a (spin-1) “graviphoton” vector field  $A_\mu$  with field strength  $\mathcal{F}_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu$
- ③ One needs to introduce into the action the kinetic terms for all these fields, and to define the interaction between the two metrics  $g_{\mu\nu}$  and  $f_{\mu\nu}$

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Elementary symmetric polynomials of the square root matrix  $X = \sqrt{g^{-1}f}$

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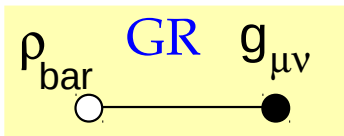
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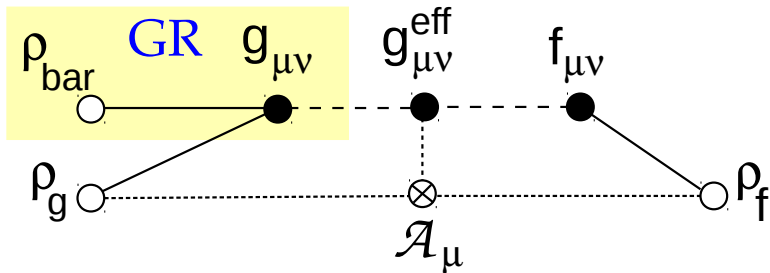
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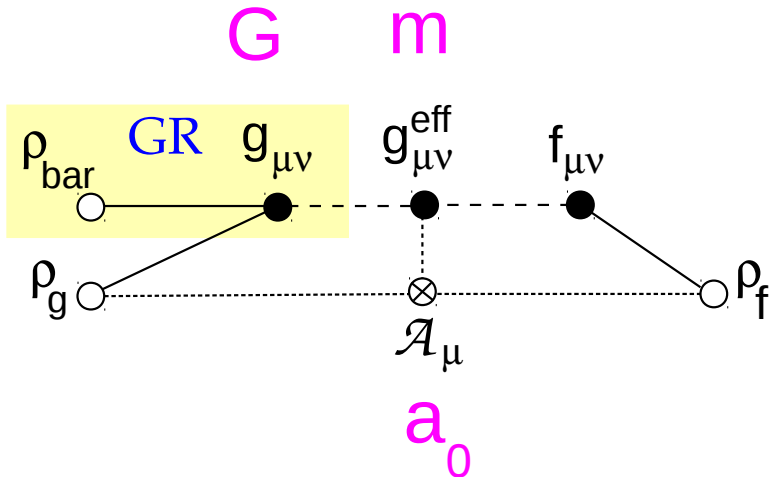
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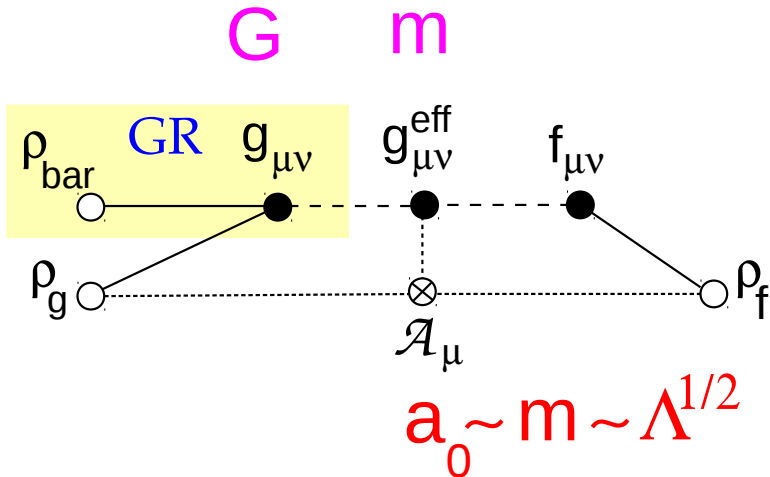


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