

Modeling branes with scalar fields in warped extra-dimension

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Outline*

- Brief review of Randall–Sundrum model (RS2) with single brane in infinite extra-dimension.
- Generalized RS2: a single brane model with different bulk cosmological constants on each side of the brane.
- Smooth/thick brane generalization of singular brane (RS2-like) models.
- Two thick brane model:
 - ▶ Solution to hierarchy problem.
 - ▶ 4D effective gravity.
- Conclusions.

* Based on JHEP **01**, 177 (2013) and work in progress.

RS model with one brane (RS2)

Randall and Sundrum proposed a model with one D3-brane embedded in an infinite extra-dimension.

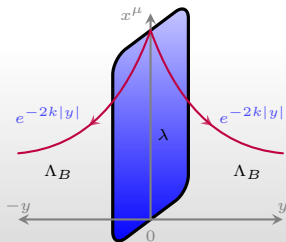
[hep-th/9906064]

- RS metric is

$$ds^2 = e^{-2k|y|} \eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu + dy^2, \quad \text{where } k \approx M.$$

- RS2 action is

$$\mathcal{S}_{RS2} = \int dx^5 \sqrt{-g} \left\{ 2M^3 R - \Lambda_B - \lambda \delta(y) \right\}$$



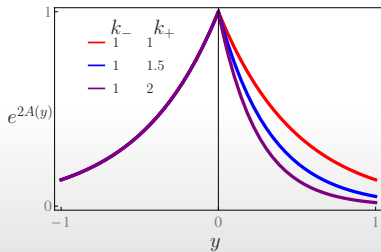
- RS metric is solution if $\Lambda_B = -24M^3 k^2$ and $\lambda = 24M^3 k$. $\left[\lambda = \sqrt{-24M^3 \Lambda_B} \right]$
- 4D effective gravity is recovered as $M_{Pl}^2 = M^3/k$ is finite.

- Exponentially falling behaviour of warped factor on both sides of brane requires $\Lambda_{\pm} = -24M^3k_{\pm}^2$ and $\lambda = 12M^3(k_+ + k_-)$.

$$\left[\lambda = \sqrt{-12M^3(\Lambda_+ + \Lambda_-)} \right]$$

- The warp function $A(y)$ is

$$A(y) = \begin{cases} -|y|k_+ & y > 0 \\ -|y|k_- & y < 0 \end{cases}$$



4D Effective gravity

$$M_{Pl}^2 = \frac{M^3}{2k_-} + \frac{M^3}{2k_+}$$

- 4D Plank mass is finite,
- 4D gravity can be reproduced.

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“Un”-attractive feature of RS2

- Infinitesimally thin brane considered in RS model has *no dynamical mechanism* of generating it in the model.

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Two thick branes model

A scalar field $\phi(y)$, in the presence of 5D gravity, mimics in *brane limit*:

- two branes with positive tension and
- which can address the hierarchy problem.

Smoothing the generalized RS2

5D scalar-gravity action

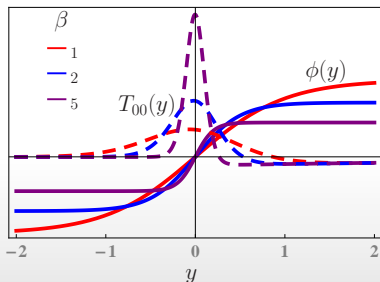
$$\mathcal{S} = \int dx^5 \sqrt{-g} \left\{ 2M^3 R - \frac{1}{2} g^{MN} \nabla_M \phi \nabla_N \phi - V(\phi) \right\}$$

- Metric ansatz

$$ds^2 = e^{2A(y)} \eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu + dy^2$$

- Scalar field profile

$$\phi(y) = \frac{\kappa}{\sqrt{\beta}} \tanh(\beta y)$$



Background solutions

- Equations of motion for the above action and metric ansatz are

$$\begin{aligned}24M^3(A')^2 &= \frac{1}{2}(\phi')^2 - V(\phi), \\12M^3A'' + 24M^3(A')^2 &= -\frac{1}{2}(\phi')^2 - V(\phi), \\ \phi'' + 4A'\phi' - \frac{dV}{d\phi} &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

- For the given ϕ , the scalar potential $V(\phi)$ can be written as,

$$V(\phi) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial W(\phi)}{\partial \phi} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{6M^3} W(\phi)^2.$$

- Superpotential $W(\phi)$ satisfies

$$\phi' = \frac{\partial W(\phi)}{\partial \phi} \quad \& \quad A' = -\frac{1}{12M^3} W(\phi).$$

- Following $W(\phi)$ gives the solution $\phi(y) = \frac{\kappa}{\sqrt{\beta}} \tanh(\beta y)$,

$$W(\phi) = \kappa\sqrt{\beta}\phi \left(1 - \frac{\beta}{3\kappa^2}\phi^2 \right) + W_0$$

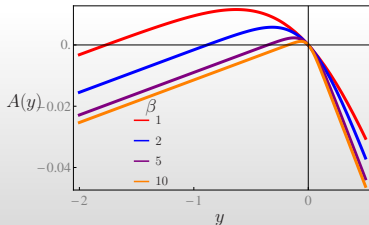
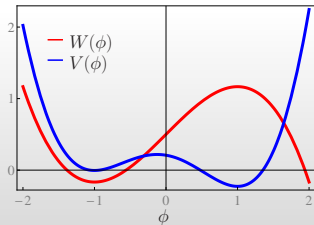
- The warped function $A(y)$

$$A(y) = \frac{-\kappa^2}{72M^3\beta} (\tanh^2(\beta y) + \ln \cosh^4(\beta y)) - \frac{W_0}{12M^3}y$$

- Brane limit

$$A(y) \approx -k_{\pm}|y|, \quad \beta \rightarrow \infty.$$

where $k_{\pm} = \frac{1}{24M^3}\lambda \pm \frac{W_0}{12M^3}$, with $\lambda \equiv \frac{4}{3}\kappa^2$.



Stability of background solutions

- Linearized tensor perturbations are,

$$g_{\mu\nu}(x, y) = e^{2A(y)}\eta_{\mu\nu}(x) + H_{\mu\nu}(x, y).$$

- $H_{\mu\nu}(x, y)$ can be written as $H_{\mu\nu}(x, z) = e^{ip \cdot x} \bar{H}_{\mu\nu}(z)$, where $-p^2 = m^2$ and "z" is defined as $dz = e^{-A(y)} dy$.
- Equation of motion for $H_{\mu\nu}(z)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \left(-\partial_z^2 + U(z) \right) \bar{H}_{\mu\nu}(z) &= m^2 \bar{H}_{\mu\nu}(z), \\ \mathcal{Q}^\dagger \mathcal{Q} \bar{H}_{\mu\nu}(z) &= m^2 \bar{H}_{\mu\nu}(z), \end{aligned}$$

where $U(z) = \frac{9}{4} \dot{A}^2(z) + \frac{3}{2} \ddot{A}(z)$ and $\mathcal{Q} = \left(\partial_z - \frac{3}{2} \dot{A} \right)$.

- Quantum Mechanics form for the tensor modes forbids the existence of any tachyonic modes with negative mass², $m^2 < 0$.
- Hence our background solution is stable.

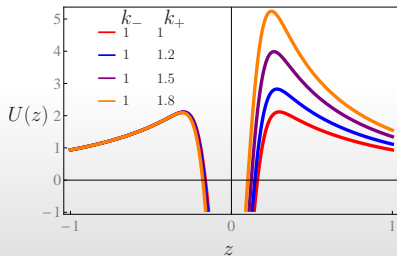
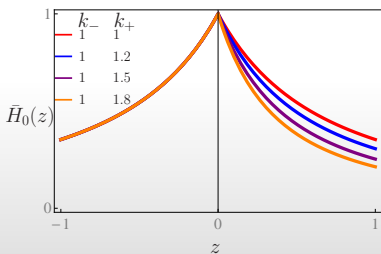
Localization of the 4D graviton

Zero-mode of tensor perturbations

The “ z ” dependent wave function of the zero-mode of the tensor fluctuation (4D graviton) $\bar{H}_0(z)$, is localized on the thick brane,

$$\bar{H}_0(z) = e^{\frac{3}{2}A(z)}.$$

- The shape of schrödinger like potential $U(z) = \frac{9}{4}\dot{A}^2(z) + \frac{3}{2}\ddot{A}(z)$ implies that the low mass KK modes will not affect the 4D gravity.



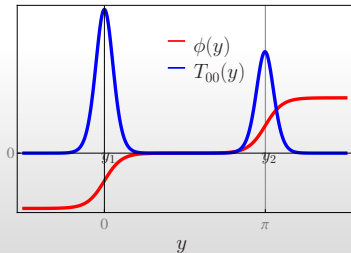
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Background solutions

- The superpotential method described above is also applicable for our two thick brane scenario.
- Superpotential $W(\phi)$ for the double kink-like $\phi(y)$ is

$$W(y) = \kappa_1^2 \left(\tanh[\beta(y - y_1)] - \frac{1}{3} \tanh^3[\beta(y - y_1)] \right) \\ + \kappa_2^2 \left(\tanh[\beta(y - y_2)] - \frac{1}{3} \tanh^3[\beta(y - y_2)] \right) + W_0.$$

- The warped factor $A(y)$

$$A(y) = -\frac{1}{12M^3} \int dy W(y),$$

$$A(y) \approx -k|y|, \quad \beta \rightarrow \infty,$$

where $k = \frac{1}{12M^3} (\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 - W_0)$.

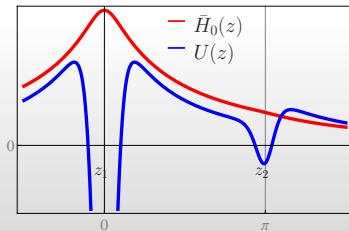
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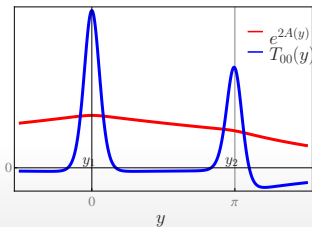
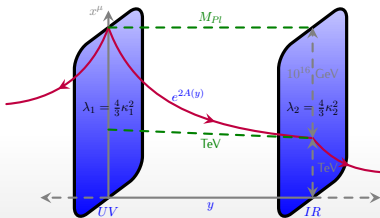
- In this scenario the zero-mode of tensor perturbation is localized on the UV-brane.
- The effective 4D gravity on the both branes is well behaved as it is also observed Lykken and Randall for singular branes. [\[hep-th/9908076\]](#)



Hierarchy problem

- Why gravity is so weak as compared to the other fundamental forces?
- Why $m_{EW} \sim 10^3 \text{ GeV} \ll M_{Pl} \sim 10^{19} \text{ GeV}$?
- Solution:** If $m_0 \sim M_{Pl} \sim 10^{19} \text{ GeV}$ then the physical mass m is:

$$m = e^{A(y_2)} m_0 \sim \text{TeV} \quad \text{with} \quad |A(y_2)| \approx ky_2 \sim 30.$$



- In the brane limit it mimics Lykken-Randall model with two positive tension branes.

Conclusions

- A generalized RS2 model with different bulk cosmological constants on both sides is considered. It is shown that in such a model 4D General Relativity can be recovered.
- The smooth generalizations of RS-like models are obtained with a scalar field.
- Two thick brane model offers an elegant and simple solution to the hierarchy problem assuming the SM fields are localized.
- The background solutions are stable and the effective 4D gravity can be reproduced on the thick brane scenarios.
- We found that RS2-like models can be mimicked by any scalar field $\phi(y)$ if it is monotonic and ϕ'^2 is integrable.

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RS model with two branes (RS1)

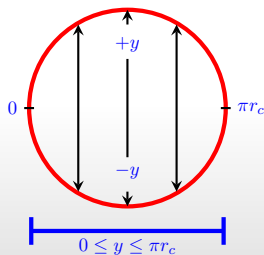
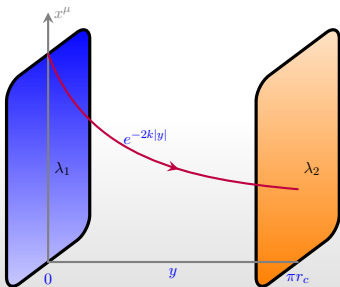
Randall and Sundrum proposed a model with two D3-branes on the S_1/Z_2 orbifold along the extra-dimension.

[hep-ph/9905221]

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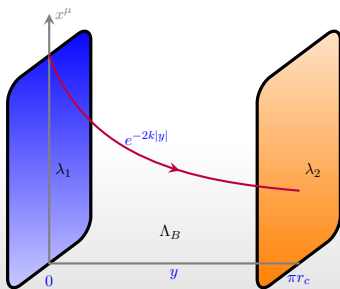
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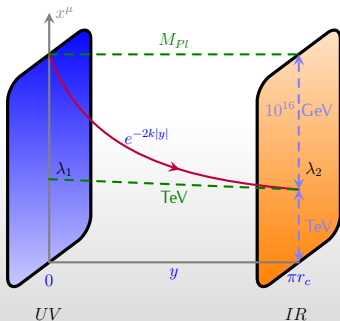
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$$m = e^{-\pi k r_c} m_0 \sim \text{TeV} \quad \text{with} \quad k r_c \approx 10.$$



Obstacles

- Gibbons, Kallosh and Linde pointed out that **the non-trivial periodic solutions of a scalar field like RS1** in the absence of singular branes ($\lambda_i = 0$) are **impossible** in the standard GR. The consistency relation $\oint \phi' \cdot \phi' = 0$ must hold, hence only $\phi = \text{const.}$ solution is possible. [hep-th/0011225]
- DeWolfe, Freedman, Gubser and Karch showed that only branes with positive tension could be constructed by a real scalar field configuration. [hep-th/9909134]

Hence, the compactified smooth generalization of the RS1 is *impossible* in the standard Einstein-Hilbert gravity.