

Revival of MOND or the Gravity Law without Universalism

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Abstract

It is argued that modified gravity can describe Dark Matter if one understands the modification of gravity as the tensor field $X^{\mu\nu} = X^{\mu\nu}(t, x, y, z)$ in the Einstein's equations (as an additional mathematical parameter without correspondence to a new particles), which is filling the Universe in addition to the Higgs field and the inflaton field.

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I. CURRENT STATUS OF MOND

What is the nature of dark matter? Is it a particle, or do the phenomena attributed to dark matter actually require a modification of the laws of gravity?

Modified Newtonian dynamics (MOND) is a hypothesis that proposes a modification of Newton's laws to account for observed properties of galaxies. It is an alternative to the hypothesis of dark matter in terms of explaining why galaxies do not appear to obey the currently understood laws of physics. Created in 1982 and first published in 1983 by the Israel physicist Mordehai Milgrom [1], the hypothesis' original motivation was to explain why the velocities of stars in galaxies were observed to be larger than expected based on Newtonian mechanics.

MOND is an example of a class of theories known as modified gravity, and is an alternative to the hypothesis that the dynamics of galaxies are determined by massive, invisible dark matter halos. Since Milgrom's original proposal, MOND has successfully predicted a variety of galactic phenomena that are difficult to understand from a dark matter perspective [2]. However, MOND and its generalisations do not adequately account for observed properties of galaxy clusters, and no satisfactory cosmological model has been constructed from the hypothesis.

The accurate measurement of the speed of gravitational waves compared to the speed of light in 2017 ruled out many theories which used modified gravity to avoid dark matter [3]. However, both Milgrom's bi-metric formulation of MOND and nonlocal MOND are not ruled out according to the same study.

II. COMMON FEATURE OF MOND PROPOSALS

The common feature of all MOND proposals is the universalism. Given the energy-momentum tensor for "visible" (e.g., baryonic) matter one perfectly determines Dark Matter. However, that seems to be not true because galaxies without Dark Matter are discovered [4].

A. The source of universalism is the empirical observations

Newton's law of universal gravitation is usually stated that every particle attracts every other particle in the universe with a force which is directly proportional to the product of

their masses and inversely proportional to the square of the distance between their centers. This is a general physical law derived from empirical observations by what Isaac Newton called inductive reasoning. [5]

However, I am introducing un-universal law of gravitation in Eq.(2). It means, that there are places and times in universe, where force of gravity can not be calculated just from the properties of visible (in the following – “actual”) matter.

III. MY PROPOSAL

To fix the problems of MOND the author suggests to include the tensor field of Dark Matter, in analogy with the Higgs field.

A. Motivation of this study

Everyone has an opinion. But can personal opinion be of use in Scientific Endeavour? In the best case scenario, which was perhaps during Albert Einstein’s live time, the journals really read the articles of the authors trying to demonstrate them their fatal mistake. Then there could be a productive discussion between three authorities: the reviewers, the editor, and the author (is better for everyone to be informed, as each of the parties can read the article).

Besides logic, the scientific community always uses feelings (in my experience [6]), but feelings can be positive or negative, as there are two options in the realm of feelings: scepticism or trust. I follow my “guiding star” in a way that I must be convinced (by me or others) if I have made a mistake. This mistake must be found, and I must be convinced that it is a mistake. This principle is my guiding star. Some journals have rejected some of my papers without even trying to convince me of having done mistakes.

There is a historical case about Einstein. After his publication of the logical debunkment of Sir Newton’s absolute space and absolute time, too many scientists were not accepting his debunkment. Therefore, the unexplainable feeling of scepticism has severely slowed down the “train” of science for as long as 17 years (and the greatest Theory of Relativity has not been renowned by a Nobel Prize)! [7] Described suffering of Prof. Einstein indicates, that “scientific scepticism” is nothing more than a negative emotion. But science could be

conducted in positive way rather than negative. How exactly? If the mind of the reader would see that the logic of the paper seems not to be violated, the mind would trust this conclusion and accept the paper.

Humankind shows a terrible conflict between feelings and mind. Muting the mind in favour of emotions is simply called madness (in my opinion), but conflict between scientific mind and feeling of beauty is discussed in this book: [8].

IV. HOW I HAVE MODIFIED GRAVITY

One writes general expression for modified gravity

$$G^{*\mu\nu} = 8\pi T^{\mu\nu}, \quad (1)$$

where on the left hand side is the modified Einstein tensor. The $T^{\mu\nu}$ is energy-momentum tensor of “actual” matter. Without loss of generality one can rewrite Eq. (1) using the definition $8\pi X^{\mu\nu} = G^{\mu\nu} - G^{*\mu\nu}$,

$$G^{\mu\nu} = 8\pi (T^{\mu\nu} + X^{\mu\nu}), \quad (2)$$

where the unmodified Einstein tensor is on the left hand side. In the following I call $X^{\mu\nu}$ a virtual term, in particular Virtual Matter. It can not be detected in particle detectors, because it is not the actual matter, but rather a pure mathematical modification of Einstein’s equations. If the covariant divergence $X^{\mu\nu}_{;\nu}$ vanishes, we will call it Dark Matter. Then Dark Energy in my MOND proposal is a class of Dark Matter, because $(\Lambda g^{\mu\nu})_{;\nu} = 0$.

My main contribution is to allow the 10 independent functions $X^{\mu\nu} = X^{\mu\nu}(t, x, y, z)$ not to be universal, i.e. being not always the most popular expression of Dark Matter (which is dust-like tensor $X^{\mu}_{\nu} = \text{diag}(-\rho, 0, 0, 0)$), but different in any given task and problem. What determines the shape of $X^{\mu\nu}$? Is it theoretical physics or experimental/observational one? Both, because, e.g., in Section V the $X^{\mu\nu}$ came as solution to particular theoretical problem.

V. DEMONSTRATION OF THE NECESSITY OF $X^{\mu\nu}$

Using known facts from General Relativity, it is indeed possible and easy to solve the mystery.

Any singularity is simply a mathematical blow up of the theory of Relativity. To fix this, to make the theory physical rather than mathematical then, I am using Virtual Term $x(r)$ in the Schwarzschild Black Hole following way

$$ds^2 = -\left(1 - \frac{2M}{r + x(r)}\right) dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{1 - \frac{2M}{r+x(r)}} + r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\phi^2), \quad (3)$$

where function $x(r > 2M) = 0$, $x(r \leq 2M) = \epsilon(2M - r)$, $0 \leq r < \infty$, the small $\epsilon > 0$.

The tensor $X^{\mu\nu}$ one calculates from Eqs.(3),(2) with $T^{\mu\nu} = 0$.

The demand to fulfil the “energy conditions” (weak, strong, and others) is not applicable to the virtual matter $X^{\mu\nu}$, as it is not subject to measurements. So, one would not measure a negative energy.

VI. INTERPRETATION OF $X^{\mu\nu}$

One should include such a concept as virtual terms, i.e. mathematical insertions into the equations and laws of nature which are made not from fundamental premises but “by hand” in order to fit the theory under observation. An example for such insertions are Dark Matter and Dark Energy. Therefore, these cannot be directly detected, but it is possible to measure their effect on nature. As a prime example, the Dark Matter anomaly has acted on the space-time grid in such an amount that it created an additional force of attraction of stars to the center of their galaxy. By the way, the proton radius measured by many experimenters was different in different years. This riddle did not find yet a solution [10]. I, personally, would solve this problem with a virtual insertion Ψ into the radius value, $r = R + \Psi$.

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