

Theories with Torsion and Nonmetricity: From Black Holes to Cosmology

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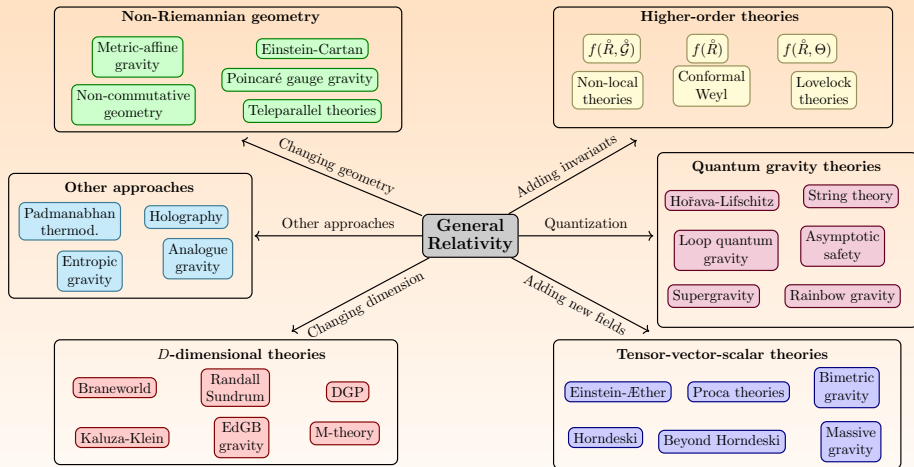


Figure: Classification of theories of gravity. (S. Bahamonde, K. F. Dialektopoulos, C. Escamilla-Rivera, G. Farrugia, V. Gakis, M. Hendry, M. Hohmann, J. Levi Said, J. Mifsud and E. Di Valentino, "Teleparallel gravity: from theory to cosmology," Rept. Prog. Phys. **86** (2023) no.2, 026901.)

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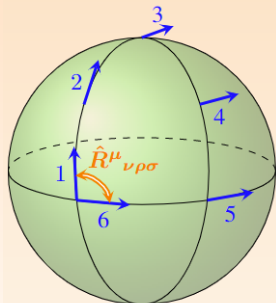
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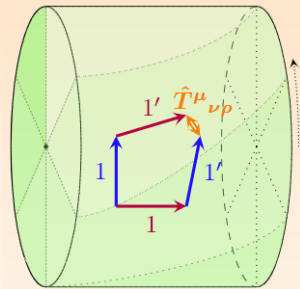
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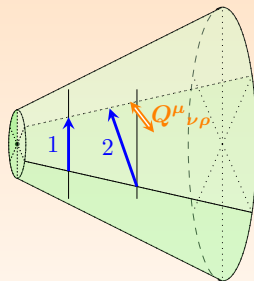
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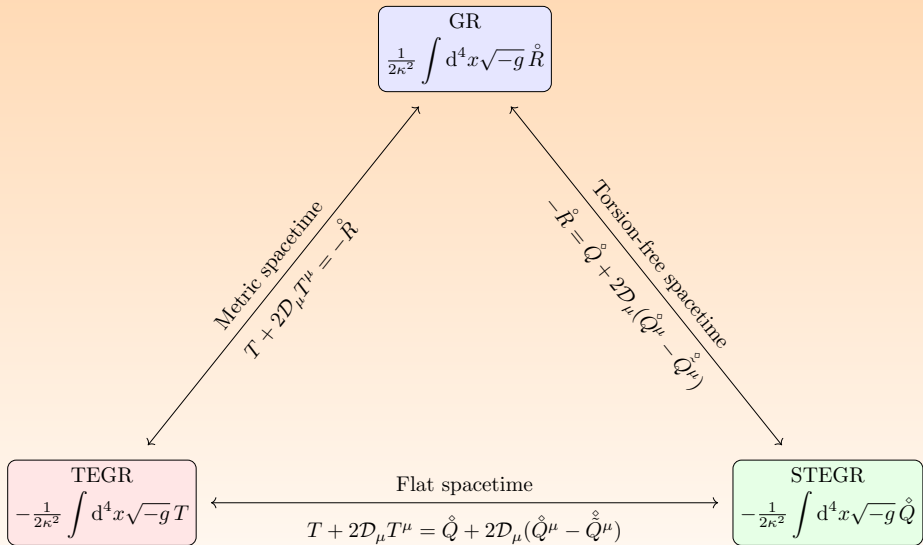


Figure: Geometrical trinity of gravity (S. Bahamonde et.al., “Teleparallel Gravity: From Theory to Cosmology,” Rept. Prog. Phys. **86** (2023) no.2, 026901.; J. Beltrán Jiménez, L. Heisenberg and T. S. Koivisto, “The Geometrical Trinity of Gravity,” Universe **5** (2019) no.7, 173.)

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