

Special Issue

Noether Symmetries in Modified Gravity and Their Cosmological Consequences

Message from the Guest Editors

In classical physics, Noether's theorem effectively reveals the connection between the continuous symmetries of a physical system and its corresponding conserved quantities. The action of a physical system is the integral over time of a Lagrangian function, from which the system's behavior can be determined by the principle of least action. Furthermore, in quantum field theories, symmetries lead to relations between the Greens functions of the theory.

Going beyond Einstein's gravity navigates us to a broad class of modified theories of gravity, arising from violations of Lovelock's theorem. As a powerful method, the Noether symmetry approach plays a key role in addressing both theoretical and observational challenges of modified theories of gravity and uncovering symmetric properties of the cosmological phenomena.

This Special Issue aims to compile the original research papers and comprehensive reviews dedicated to the application of Noether symmetries in illuminating the hidden aspects of gravitational and cosmological situations within the framework of modified gravity. Submissions presenting new idea, theoretical advancements, and interdisciplinary approaches are welcomed.

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