

# Aspects of string phenomenology on particle cosmology

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**Einstein's Theory of Gravity and its  
Modifications: from Theory to Observations**

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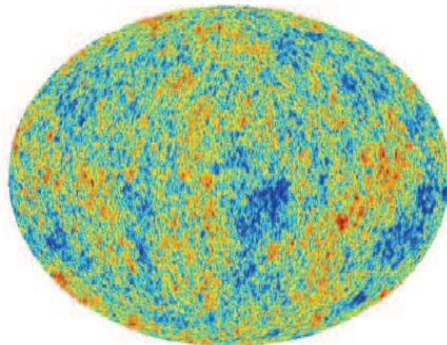


Main predictions → inspirations for BSM physics

- Spacetime supersymmetry but arbitrary breaking scale
- Extra dimensions of space six or seven in M-theory
- Brane-world description of our Universe  
matter and gauge interactions may be localised in less dimensions
- Landscape of vacua
- ...

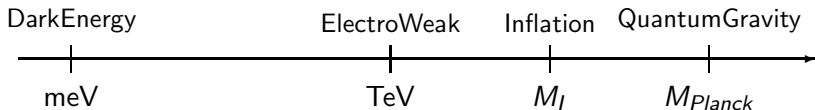
# Connect string theory to the real world

- Is it a tool for strong coupling dynamics or a theory of fundamental forces?
- If theory of Nature can it describe both particle physics and cosmology?



# Problem of scales

- describe high energy (SUSY?) extension of the Standard Model  
unification of all fundamental interactions
  - incorporate Dark Energy  
simplest case: infinitesimal (tuneable) +ve cosmological constant
  - describe possible accelerated expanding phase of our universe  
models of inflation (approximate de Sitter)
- ⇒ 3 very different scales besides  $M_{Planck}$  :



Relativistic dark energy 70-75% of the observable universe

negative pressure:  $p = -\rho \Rightarrow$  cosmological constant

$$R_{ab} - \frac{1}{2}Rg_{ab} + \Lambda g_{ab} = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4} T_{ab} \Rightarrow \rho_\Lambda = \frac{c^4 \Lambda}{8\pi G} = -p_\Lambda$$

Two length scales:

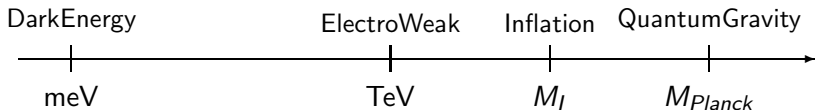
- $[\Lambda] = L^{-2} \leftarrow$  size of the observable Universe

$$\Lambda_{obs} \simeq 0.74 \times 3H_0^2/c^2 \simeq 1.4 \times (10^{26} \text{ m})^{-2}$$

Hubble parameter  $\simeq 73 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$

- $[\frac{\Lambda}{G} \times \frac{c^3}{h}] = L^{-4} \leftarrow$  dark energy length  $\simeq 85 \mu\text{m}$

# Problem of scales



① they are independent

② possible connections

- $M_I$  could be near the EW scale, such as in Higgs inflation  
but large non minimal coupling to explain
- $M_{Planck}$  could be emergent from the EW scale  
in models of low-scale gravity and TeV strings

What about  $M_I$ ? can it be at the TeV scale?

Can we infer  $M_I$  from cosmological data?

I.A.-Patil '14 and '15

- connect inflation and SUSY breaking scales

# Inflation in supergravity: main problems

- slow-roll conditions: the eta problem  $\Rightarrow$  fine-tuning of the potential

$$\eta = V''/V, \quad V_F = e^K (|DW|^2 - 3|W|^2), \quad DW = W' + K'W$$

$K$ : Kähler potential,  $W$ : superpotential

canonically normalised field:  $K = X\bar{X} \Rightarrow \eta = 1 + \dots$

- trans-Planckian initial conditions  $\Rightarrow$  break validity of EFT  
no-scale type models that avoid the  $\eta$ -problem
- stabilisation of the (pseudo) scalar companion of the inflaton  
chiral multiplets  $\Rightarrow$  complex scalars
- moduli stabilisation, de Sitter vacuum, ...

# Starobinsky model of inflation

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}R + \alpha R^2$$

$$\text{Lagrange multiplier } \phi \Rightarrow \mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}(1 + 2\phi)R - \frac{1}{4\alpha}\phi^2$$

Weyl rescaling  $\Rightarrow$  equivalent to a scalar field with exponential potential:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}R - \frac{1}{2}(\partial\phi)^2 - \frac{M^2}{12} \left(1 - e^{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\phi}\right)^2 \quad M^2 = \frac{3}{4\alpha}$$

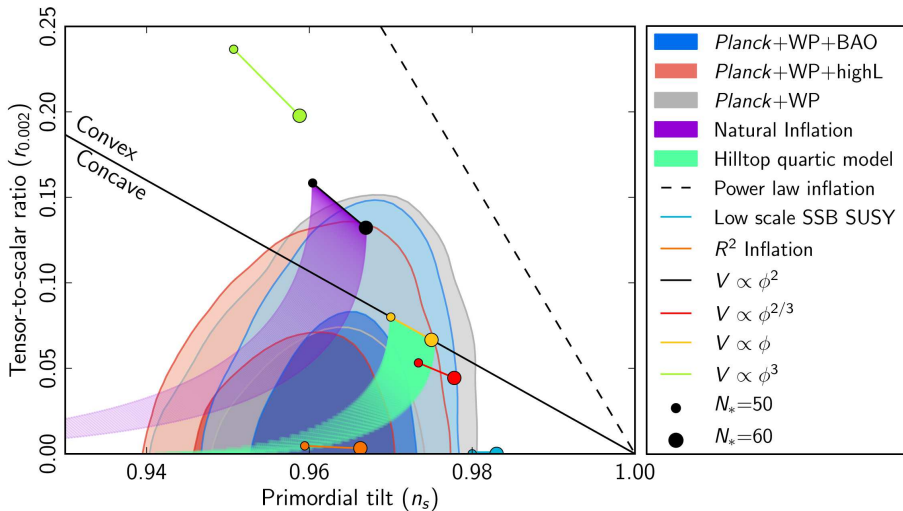
Note that the two metrics are not the same

supersymmetric extension:

add D-term  $\mathcal{R}\bar{\mathcal{R}}$  because F-term  $\mathcal{R}^2$  does not contain  $R^2$

$\Rightarrow$  brings two chiral multiplets





# SUSY extension of Starobinsky model

$$K = -3 \ln(T + \bar{T} - C\bar{C}) \quad ; \quad W = MC(T - \frac{1}{2})$$

- $T$  contains the inflaton:  $\text{Re } T = e^{\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\phi}$
- $C \sim \mathcal{R}$  is unstable during inflation

⇒ add higher order terms to stabilize it

e.g.  $C\bar{C} \rightarrow h(C, \bar{C}) = C\bar{C} - \zeta(C\bar{C})^2$      Kallosh-Linde '13

- SUSY is broken during inflation with  $C$  the goldstino superfield

→ model independent treatment in the decoupling sgoldstino limit

⇒ minimal SUSY extension that evades stability problem [14]

# Non-linear supersymmetry $\Rightarrow$ goldstino mode $\chi$

Volkov-Akulov '73

Effective field theory of SUSY breaking at low energies

Analog of non-linear  $\sigma$ -model  $\Rightarrow$  constraint superfields

Rocek-Tseytlin '78, Lindstrom-Rocek '79, Komargodski-Seiberg '09

Goldstino: chiral superfield  $X_{NL}$  satisfying  $X_{NL}^2 = 0 \Rightarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} X_{NL}(y) &= \frac{\chi^2}{2F} + \sqrt{2}\theta\chi + \theta^2 F & y^\mu &= x^\mu + i\theta\sigma^\mu\bar{\theta} \\ &= F\Theta^2 & \Theta &= \theta + \frac{\chi}{\sqrt{2}F} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{NL} = \int d^4\theta X_{NL}\bar{X}_{NL} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\kappa} \left\{ \int d^2\theta X_{NL} + h.c. \right\} = \mathcal{L}_{Volkov-Akulov}$$

R-symmetry with  $[\theta]_R = [\chi]_R = 1$  and  $[X]_R = 2$

$$F = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\kappa} + \dots$$

Non-linear SUSY transformations:

$$\delta\chi_\alpha = \frac{\xi_\alpha}{\kappa} + \kappa \Lambda_\xi^\mu \partial_\mu \chi_\alpha \quad \Lambda_\xi^\mu = -i(\chi\sigma^\mu\bar{\xi} - \xi\sigma^\mu\bar{\chi})$$

$\kappa$ : goldstino decay constant (SUSY breaking scale)  $\kappa = (\sqrt{2}m_{\text{susy}})^{-2}$

**Volkov-Akulov action:**

Define the 'vierbein':  $E_\mu^a = \delta_\mu^a + \kappa^2 t_\mu^a \quad t_\mu^a = i\chi\overset{\leftrightarrow}{\partial}_\mu\sigma^a\bar{\chi}$

$\delta(\det E) = \kappa \partial_\mu (\Lambda_\xi^\mu \det E) \Rightarrow$  invariant action:


$$S_{VA} = -\frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^4x \det E = -\frac{1}{2\kappa^2} - \frac{i}{2} \chi\sigma^\mu\overset{\leftrightarrow}{\partial}_\mu\bar{\chi} + \dots$$

# Non-linear SUSY in supergravity

I.A.-Dudas-Ferrara-Sagnotti '14

$$K = -3 \log(1 - X\bar{X}) \equiv 3X\bar{X} \quad ; \quad W = fX + W_0 \quad X \equiv X_{NL}$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad V = \frac{1}{3}|f|^2 - 3|W_0|^2 \quad ; \quad m_{3/2}^2 = |W_0|^2$$

- $V$  can have any sign **contrary to global NL SUSY**
- NL SUSY in flat space  $\Rightarrow f = 3 m_{3/2} M_p$
- R-symmetry is broken by  $W_0$
- Dual gravitational formulation:  $(\mathcal{R} - 6W_0)^2 = 0$  **I.A.-Markou '15**  
 **chiral curvature superfield**
- Minimal SUSY extension of  $R^2$  gravity

# Non-linear Starobinsky supergravity [10]

$$K = -3 \ln(T + \bar{T} - X\bar{X}) \quad ; \quad W = MXT + fX + W_0 \quad \Rightarrow$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}R - \frac{1}{2}(\partial\phi)^2 - \frac{M^2}{12} \left(1 - e^{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\phi}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{2}e^{-2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\phi}(\partial a)^2 - \frac{M^2}{18}e^{-2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\phi}a^2$$

- axion  $a$  much heavier than  $\phi$  during inflation, decouples:

$$m_\phi = \frac{M}{3}e^{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\phi_0} \ll m_a = \frac{M}{3}$$

- inflation scale  $M$  independent from NL-SUSY breaking scale  $f$

⇒ compatible with low energy SUSY

- however inflaton different from goldstino superpartner

- also initial conditions require trans-planckian values for  $\phi$  ( $\phi > 1$ ) [20]

# Inflation from supersymmetry breaking

I.A.-Chatrabhuti-Isono-Knoops '16, '17

Inflaton : goldstino superpartner in the presence of a gauged R-symmetry

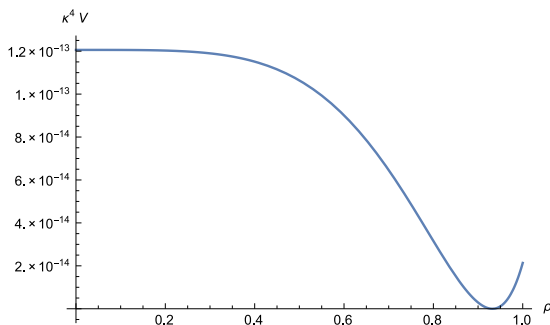
- linear superpotential  $W = f X \Rightarrow$  no  $\eta$ -problem

$$\begin{aligned}V_F &= e^K (|DW|^2 - 3|W|^2) \\ &= e^K (|1 + K_X X|^2 - 3|X|^2) |f|^2 \quad K = X\bar{X} \\ &= e^{|X|^2} (1 - |X|^2 + \mathcal{O}(|X|^4)) |f|^2 = \mathcal{O}(|X|^4) \Rightarrow \eta = 0 + \dots\end{aligned}$$

- inflation around a maximum of scalar potential (hill-top)  $\Rightarrow$  small field  
no large field initial conditions
- gauge R-symmetry: (pseudo) scalar absorbed by the  $U(1)_R$
- vacuum energy at the minimum: tuning between  $V_F$  and  $V_D$

# Two classes of models

- Case 1: R-symmetry is restored during inflation (at the maximum)



- Case 2: R-symmetry is (spontaneously) broken everywhere  
(and restored at infinity)

example: toy model of SUSY breaking [20] [30]



# Case 1: R-symmetry restored during inflation

$$\mathcal{K}(X, \bar{X}) = \kappa^{-2} X \bar{X} + \kappa^{-4} A (X \bar{X})^2 \quad A > 0$$

$$W(X) = \kappa^{-3} f X \quad \Rightarrow$$

$$f(X) = 1 \quad (+\beta \ln X \text{ to cancel anomalies but } \beta \text{ very small})$$

$$\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{V}_F + \mathcal{V}_D$$

$$\mathcal{V}_F = \kappa^{-4} f^2 e^{X \bar{X} (1 + A X \bar{X})} \left[ -3 X \bar{X} + \frac{(1 + X \bar{X} (1 + 2 A X \bar{X}))^2}{1 + 4 A X \bar{X}} \right]$$

$$\mathcal{V}_D = \kappa^{-4} \frac{q^2}{2} [1 + X \bar{X} (1 + 2 A X \bar{X})]^2$$

Assume inflation happens around the maximum  $|X| \equiv \rho \simeq 0 \quad \Rightarrow$

# Case 1: predictions

slow-roll parameters

$$\eta = \frac{1}{\kappa^2} \left( \frac{V''}{V} \right) = 2 \left( \frac{-4A + x^2}{2 + x^2} \right) + \mathcal{O}(\rho^2) \quad x = q/f$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \left( \frac{V'}{V} \right)^2 = 4 \left( \frac{-4A + x^2}{2 + x^2} \right)^2 \rho^2 + \mathcal{O}(\rho^4) \simeq \eta^2 \rho^2$$

$\eta$  small: for instance  $x \ll 1$  and  $A \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-1})$

inflation starts with an initial condition for  $\phi = \phi_*$  near the maximum and ends when  $|\eta| = 1$

$$\Rightarrow \text{number of e-folds } N = \int_{end}^{start} \frac{V}{V'} = \kappa \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\epsilon}} \simeq \frac{1}{|\eta_*|} \ln \left( \frac{\rho_{end}}{\rho_*} \right)$$

# Case 1: predictions

amplitude of density perturbations  $A_s = \frac{\kappa^4 V_*}{24\pi^2 \epsilon_*} = \frac{\kappa^2 H_*^2}{8\pi^2 \epsilon_*}$

spectral index  $n_s = 1 + 2\eta_* - 6\epsilon_* \simeq 1 + 2\eta_*$

tensor – to – scalar ratio  $r = 16\epsilon_*$

Planck '15 data :  $\eta \simeq -0.02$ ,  $A_s \simeq 2.2 \times 10^{-9}$ ,  $N \gtrsim 50$

$\Rightarrow r \lesssim 10^{-4}$ ,  $H_* \lesssim 10^{12}$  GeV    assuming  $\rho_{\text{end}} \lesssim 1/2$

Question: can a 'nearby' minimum exist with a tiny +ve vacuum energy?

Answer: Yes in a 'weaker' sense: perturbative expansion [16]

valid for the Kähler potential but not for the slow-roll parameters

generic  $V$  (not fine-tuned)  $\Rightarrow 10^{-9} \lesssim r \lesssim 10^{-4}$ ,  $10^{10} \lesssim H_* \lesssim 10^{12}$  GeV [36]

# impose independent scales: proceed in 2 steps

① SUSY breaking at  $m_{SUSY} \sim \text{TeV}$

with an infinitesimal (tuneable) positive cosmological constant

Villadoro-Zwirner '05

I.A.-Knoops, I.A.-Ghilenca-Knoops '14, I.A.-Knoops '15

② Inflation connected or independent? [7] [11] [30]

# Toy model for SUSY breaking

Content (besides  $N = 1$  SUGRA): one vector  $V$  and one chiral multiplet  $S$   
with a shift symmetry  $S \rightarrow S - icw \leftarrow$  transformation parameter

String theory: compactification modulus or universal dilaton

$$s = 1/g^2 + ia \leftarrow \text{dual to antisymmetric tensor}$$

Kähler potential  $K$ : function of  $S + \bar{S}$

$$\text{string theory: } K = -p \ln(S + \bar{S})$$

Superpotential: constant or single exponential if R-symmetry  $W = ae^{bS}$

$$\int d^2\theta W \text{ invariant}$$

$$b < 0 \Rightarrow \text{non perturbative}$$

can also be described by a generalized linear multiplet [26]

# Scalar potential

$$\mathcal{V}_F = a^2 e^{\frac{b}{l}} l^{p-2} \left\{ \frac{1}{p} (pl - b)^2 - 3l^2 \right\} \quad l = 1/(s + \bar{s})$$

Planck units

- $b > 0 \Rightarrow$  SUSY local minimum in AdS space with  $l = b/p$
- $b \leq 0 \Rightarrow$  no minimum with  $l > 0$  ( $p \leq 3$ )

but interesting metastable SUSY breaking vacuum when R-symmetry is gauged by  $V$  allowing a Fayet-Iliopoulos (FI) term:

$$\mathcal{V}_D = c^2 l (pl - b)^2 \quad \text{for gauge kinetic function } f(S) = S$$

- $b > 0$ :  $\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{V}_F + \mathcal{V}_D$  SUSY AdS minimum remains
- $b = 0$ : SUSY breaking minimum in AdS ( $p < 3$ )
- $b < 0$ : SUSY breaking minimum with tuneable cosmological constant  $\Lambda$

# Scalar potential for $b = 0$

$$V = a^2(p - 3)l^p + c^2 p^2 l^3$$

can be obtained for  $p = 2$  and  $l$  the string dilaton:

- all geometric moduli fixed by fluxes in a SUSY way
- D-term contribution : D-brane potential (uncancelled tension)
- F-term contribution : tree-level potential (away from criticality)

String realisation : framework of magnetised branes

# minimisation and spectrum

Minimisation of the potential:  $V' = 0$ ,  $V = \Lambda$

In the limit  $\Lambda \approx 0$  ( $p = 2$ )  $\Rightarrow$  [32]

$$b/l = \rho \approx -0.183268 \quad \Rightarrow \langle l \rangle = b/\rho$$

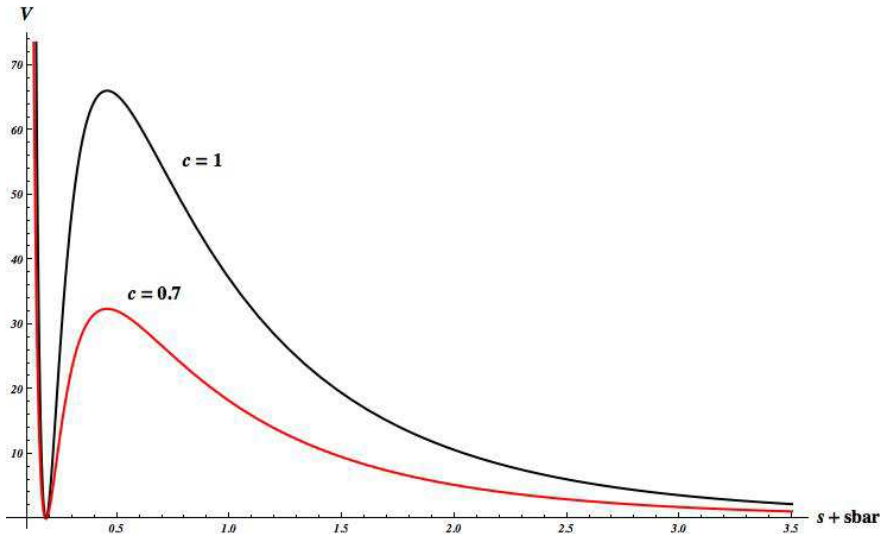
$$\frac{a^2}{bc^2} = 2 \frac{e^{-\rho}}{\rho} \frac{(2-\rho)^2}{2+4\rho-\rho^2} + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda) \approx -50.6602 \quad \Rightarrow c \propto a$$

Physical spectrum:

massive dilaton,  $U(1)$  gauge field, Majorana fermion, gravitino

All masses of order  $m_{3/2} \approx e^{\rho/2} l a \leftarrow$  TeV scale





[30]

# Properties and generalizations

- Metastability of the ground state: extremely long lived

$$l \simeq 0.02 \text{ (GUT value } \alpha_{GUT}/2) m_{3/2} \sim \mathcal{O}(\text{TeV}) \Rightarrow$$

$$\text{decay rate } \Gamma \sim e^{-B} \text{ with } B \approx 10^{300}$$

- Add visible sector (MSSM) preserving the same vacuum

matter fields  $\phi$  neutral under R-symmetry

$$K = -2 \ln(S + \bar{S}) + \phi^\dagger \phi \quad ; \quad W = (a + W_{MSSM}) e^{bS}$$

$\Rightarrow$  soft scalar masses non-tachyonic of order  $m_{3/2}$  (gravity mediation)

- Toy model classically equivalent to [21]

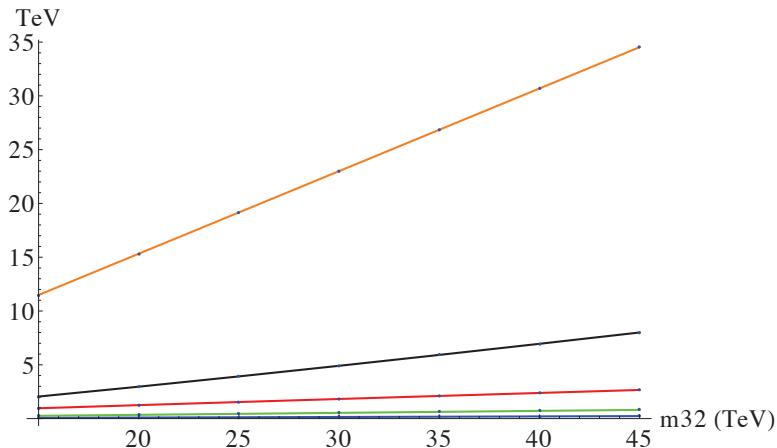
$$K = -p \ln(S + \bar{S}) + b(S + \bar{S}) \quad ; \quad W = a \quad \text{with } V \text{ ordinary } U(1)$$

- Dilaton shift can be identified with  $B - L \supset$  matter parity  $(-)^{B-L}$

# Properties and generalizations

- R-charged fields needed for anomaly cancellation
- A simple (anomaly free) variation:  $f = 1$  and  $p = 1$   
tuning still possible but scalar masses of neutral matter tachyonic  
possible solution: add a new field  $Z$  in the 'hidden' SUSY sector  
 $\Rightarrow$  one extra parameter
- alternatively: add an  $S$ -dependent factor in Matter kinetic terms  
$$K = -\ln(S + \bar{S}) + (S + \bar{S})^{-\nu} \sum \Phi \bar{\Phi} \quad \text{for } \nu \gtrsim 2.5$$
or the  $B - L$  unit charge of SM particles  $\Rightarrow$  similar phenomenology
- distinct features from other models of SUSY breaking and mediation
- gaugino masses at the quantum level  
 $\Rightarrow$  suppressed compared to scalar masses and A-terms

# Typical spectrum



The masses of sbottom squark (yellow), stop (black), gluino (red), lightest chargino (green) and lightest neutralino (blue) as a function of the gravitino mass. The mass of the lightest neutralino varies between  $\sim 40$  and  $150$  GeV [20]

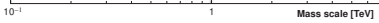
# SUSY SEARCHES SUMMARY

ATLAS SUSY Searches\* - 95% CL Lower Limits  
May 2017

ATLAS Preliminary  
 $\sqrt{s} = 7, 8, 13 \text{ TeV}$

Model	$\epsilon, \mu, \tau, \gamma$	Jets	$E_{T}^{\text{miss}}$	$[\int \mathcal{L} dt] [\text{fb}^{-1}]$	Mass limit		Reference	
					$\sqrt{t} = 7, 8 \text{ TeV}$	$\sqrt{t} = 13 \text{ TeV}$		
Include Searches $\tilde{q}, \tilde{g}$	MSUGRA/CMSM	$0.3 \epsilon, \mu, \tau, \gamma$	2-10 jets/3	Yes	20.3	$1.85 \text{ TeV}$	$m(\tilde{g})=m(\tilde{q})$ $m(\tilde{t})=200 \text{ GeV}, m(\tilde{b})^{\text{SM}} \leq m(\tilde{t})^{\text{SM}}$	1507.05325
	$\tilde{q}, \tilde{q} \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{q}$	0	2-6 jets	Yes	36.1	$1.37 \text{ TeV}$	$m(\tilde{t})=200 \text{ GeV}, m(\tilde{b})^{\text{SM}} \leq m(\tilde{t})^{\text{SM}}$	ATLAS-CONF-2017-022
	$\tilde{q}, \tilde{q} \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{q}$ (compressed)	mono-jet	1-3 jets	Yes	3.2	808 GeV	$m(\tilde{t})=200 \text{ GeV}, m(\tilde{b})^{\text{SM}} \leq m(\tilde{t})^{\text{SM}}$	1604.07773
	$\tilde{q}, \tilde{q} \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{q}$	0	2-6 jets	Yes	36.1	2.02 TeV	$m(\tilde{t})=200 \text{ GeV}$	ATLAS-CONF-2017-022
	$\tilde{q}, \tilde{q} \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{q}$	0	2-6 jets	Yes	36.1	2.01 TeV	$m(\tilde{t})=200 \text{ GeV}$	ATLAS-CONF-2017-022
	$\tilde{q}, \tilde{q} \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{q}$	0	2-6 jets	Yes	36.1	1.825 TeV	$m(\tilde{t})=200 \text{ GeV}, m(\tilde{b})^{\text{SM}} \leq m(\tilde{t})^{\text{SM}}$	ATLAS-CONF-2017-030
	$\tilde{q}, \tilde{q} \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{q}$	3 $\epsilon, \mu$	4 jets	-	36.1	1.825 TeV	$m(\tilde{t})=200 \text{ GeV}$	ATLAS-CONF-2017-033
	$\tilde{q}, \tilde{q} \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{q}$	0	7-11 jets	Yes	36.1	1.8 TeV	$m(\tilde{t})=200 \text{ GeV}$	1607.05979
	GMSB ( $\tilde{g}$ NLSP)	$1.2 + 0.1 f$	0-3 jets	Yes	3.2	2.8 TeV	$m(\tilde{g})=400 \text{ GeV}$	1606.09150
	GGM (bino NLSP)	2 $\gamma$	2 jets	Yes	3.2	1.65 TeV	$\tau(\text{NLSP}) < 0.1 \text{ ns}$	1507.05493
$\tilde{\nu}_\tau$ gen. states no production	GGM (higgsino-bino NLSP)	7	1 jet	Yes	20.3	1.37 TeV	$m(\tilde{\nu}_\tau)=200 \text{ GeV}, \tau(\text{NLSP}) < 0.1 \text{ ns}, \mu < 0$	1507.05493
	GGM (higgsino-bino NLSP)	7	2 jets	Yes	13.5	1.8 TeV	$m(\tilde{\nu}_\tau)=200 \text{ GeV}, \tau(\text{NLSP}) < 0.1 \text{ ns}, \mu < 0$	ATLAS-CONF-2016-056
	GGM (higgsino NLSP)	$2 \epsilon, \mu (Z)$	2 jets	Yes	20.1	900 GeV	$m(\tilde{\nu}_\tau)=200 \text{ GeV}, \tau(\text{NLSP}) < 0.1 \text{ ns}, \mu < 0$	1505.02266
	Gravitino LSP	0	mono-jet	Yes	20.3	865 GeV	$m(\tilde{\nu}_\tau)=1.8 \times 10^4 \text{ eV}, m(\tilde{g})=m(\tilde{t})=1.5 \text{ TeV}$	1502.01518
	$\tilde{q}, \tilde{q} \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{q}$	0	3 jets	Yes	36.1	1.23 TeV	$m(\tilde{t})=200 \text{ GeV}$	ATLAS-CONF-2017-021
	$\tilde{q}, \tilde{q} \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{q}$	0-1 $\epsilon, \mu$	3 jets	Yes	36.1	1.97 TeV	$m(\tilde{t})=200 \text{ GeV}$	ATLAS-CONF-2017-021
	$\tilde{q}, \tilde{q} \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{q}$	0-1 $\epsilon, \mu$	3 jets	Yes	20.1	1.37 TeV	$m(\tilde{t})=200 \text{ GeV}$	1467.06000
	$\tilde{q}, \tilde{q} \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{q}$	0	2 jets	Yes	36.1	590 GeV	$m(\tilde{t})=200 \text{ GeV}$	ATLAS-CONF-2017-038
	$\tilde{q}, \tilde{q} \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{q}$	$2 \epsilon, \mu$ (SS)	1 jet	Yes	35.1	275-700 GeV	$m(\tilde{t})=200 \text{ GeV}, m(\tilde{b})^{\text{SM}} \leq m(\tilde{t})^{\text{SM}}+100 \text{ GeV}$	ATLAS-CONF-2017-039
	$\tilde{q}, \tilde{q} \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{q}$	$0.2 \epsilon, \mu$	1-2 jets	Yes	4.713.9	117-178 GeV	$m(\tilde{t})=1 \text{ TeV}, m(\tilde{b})^{\text{SM}} \leq m(\tilde{t})^{\text{SM}}-50 \text{ GeV}$	1309.2102, ATLAS-CONF-2016-077
$\tilde{t}, \tilde{b}$	$\tilde{t}, \tilde{t} \rightarrow \tilde{t}\tilde{t}$	0	2 jets	Yes	20.3, 6.1	90-198 GeV	$m(\tilde{t})=1 \text{ GeV}$	1508.08616, ATLAS-CONF-2017-020
	$\tilde{t}, \tilde{t} \rightarrow \tilde{t}\tilde{t}$	0	mono-jet	Yes	3.2	90-323 GeV	$m(\tilde{t})=1 \text{ GeV}$	1604.07773
	$\tilde{t}, \tilde{t} \rightarrow \tilde{t}\tilde{t}$ (natural GMSB)	$2 \epsilon, \mu (Z)$	1 jet	Yes	20.3	150-600 GeV	$m(\tilde{t})=150 \text{ GeV}$	1403.9222
	$\tilde{t}, \tilde{t} \rightarrow \tilde{t}\tilde{t}$	$3 \epsilon, \mu (Z)$	1 jet	Yes	36.1	296-739 GeV	$m(\tilde{t})=1 \text{ GeV}$	ATLAS-CONF-2017-019
	$\tilde{t}, \tilde{t} \rightarrow \tilde{t}\tilde{t}$	1-2 $\epsilon, \mu$	4 jets	Yes	36.1	320-880 GeV	$m(\tilde{t})=1 \text{ GeV}$	ATLAS-CONF-2017-019
	$\tilde{t}, \tilde{t} \rightarrow \tilde{t}\tilde{t}$	$2 \epsilon, \mu$	0	Yes	36.1	90-440 GeV	$m(\tilde{t})=0$	ATLAS-CONF-2017-039
	$\tilde{t}, \tilde{t} \rightarrow \tilde{t}\tilde{t}$	$2 \epsilon, \mu$	0	Yes	36.1	710 GeV	$m(\tilde{t})=0, m(\tilde{b})^{\text{SM}} \leq m(\tilde{t})^{\text{SM}}+100 \text{ GeV}$	ATLAS-CONF-2017-039
	$\tilde{t}, \tilde{t} \rightarrow \tilde{t}\tilde{t}$	$2 \epsilon, \mu$	0	Yes	36.1	760 GeV	$m(\tilde{t})=0, m(\tilde{b})^{\text{SM}} \leq m(\tilde{t})^{\text{SM}}+100 \text{ GeV}$	ATLAS-CONF-2017-039
	$\tilde{t}, \tilde{t} \rightarrow \tilde{t}\tilde{t}$	$2 \epsilon, \mu$	0	Yes	36.1	580 GeV	$m(\tilde{t})=0, m(\tilde{b})^{\text{SM}} \leq m(\tilde{t})^{\text{SM}}+100 \text{ GeV}$	ATLAS-CONF-2017-039
	$\tilde{t}, \tilde{t} \rightarrow \tilde{t}\tilde{t}$	$2.3 \epsilon, \mu$	0-2 jets	Yes	36.1	580 GeV	$m(\tilde{t})=0, m(\tilde{b})^{\text{SM}} \leq m(\tilde{t})^{\text{SM}}+100 \text{ GeV}$	ATLAS-CONF-2017-039
$\tilde{X}^0, \tilde{\chi}^{\pm}, \tilde{L}$ EW direct	$\tilde{X}^0, \tilde{X}^0 \rightarrow \tilde{X}^0\tilde{X}^0$	$2 \epsilon, \mu$	0	Yes	36.1	270 GeV	$m(\tilde{X}^0)=m(\tilde{X}^0), m(\tilde{X}^0)=0, f$ decoupled	1501.07110
	$\tilde{X}^0, \tilde{X}^0 \rightarrow \tilde{X}^0\tilde{X}^0$	$4 \epsilon, \mu$	0	Yes	20.3	635 GeV	$m(\tilde{X}^0)=m(\tilde{X}^0), m(\tilde{X}^0)=0, m(\tilde{X}^0)=0, f$ decoupled	1465.50986
	GGM (bino NLSP) weak prod., $\tilde{X}^0 \rightarrow \tilde{X}^0\tilde{X}^0$	$1 \epsilon, \mu, \tau, \gamma$	2 jets	Yes	20.3	115-570 GeV	$m(\tilde{X}^0)=m(\tilde{X}^0), m(\tilde{X}^0)=0, m(\tilde{X}^0)=0, f$ decoupled	1507.05493
	GGM (bino NLSP) weak prod., $\tilde{X}^0 \rightarrow \tilde{X}^0\tilde{X}^0$	2 $\gamma$	-	Yes	20.3	900 GeV	$\tau < 1 \text{ ns}$	1507.05493
	Direct $\tilde{X}^0$ prod., long-lived $\tilde{X}^0$	Disapp. trk	1 jet	Yes	36.1	430 GeV	$m(\tilde{X}^0)=m(\tilde{X}^0)=160 \text{ MeV}, m(\tilde{X}^0)=0.2 \text{ ns}$	ATLAS-CONF-2017-017
	Stable $\tilde{X}^0$ prod., long-lived $\tilde{X}^0$	dE/dx trk	-	Yes	18.4	495 GeV	$m(\tilde{X}^0)=m(\tilde{X}^0)=160 \text{ MeV}, m(\tilde{X}^0)=15 \text{ ns}$	1506.05332
	Stable $\tilde{X}^0$ prod., long-lived $\tilde{X}^0$	0	1-5 jets	Yes	27.9	850 GeV	$m(\tilde{X}^0)=100 \text{ GeV}, 10 \mu\text{s} < \tau < 1000 \text{ s}$	1310.6504
	Metastable $\tilde{X}^0$ prod., long-lived $\tilde{X}^0$	0	2 jets	Yes	3.2	1.52 TeV	$m(\tilde{X}^0)=100 \text{ GeV}, \tau > 10 \text{ ns}$	1605.05239
	Metastable $\tilde{X}^0$ prod., long-lived $\tilde{X}^0$	dE/dx trk	-	Yes	19.1	537 GeV	10-targ=50	1441.6795
	GMSB, stable $\tilde{X}^0, \tilde{X}^0 \rightarrow \tilde{X}^0\tilde{X}^0$	1-2 $\mu$	-	Yes	20.3	440 GeV	$1 < \tau(\tilde{X}^0) < 3 \text{ ns}, \text{SPS8 model}$	1469.3542
Long-lived particles	GMSB, $\tilde{X}^0 \rightarrow \tilde{X}^0\tilde{X}^0$	2 $\gamma$	-	Yes	20.3	1.8 TeV	$7 < \tau(\tilde{X}^0) < 740 \text{ ns}, m(\tilde{X}^0) > 1.3 \text{ TeV}$	1504.05162
	GMSB, $\tilde{X}^0 \rightarrow \tilde{X}^0\tilde{X}^0$	displ. vts + jets	-	Yes	20.3	1.8 TeV	$6 < \tau(\tilde{X}^0) < 480 \text{ ns}, m(\tilde{X}^0) > 1.1 \text{ TeV}$	1504.05162
	LFV $\tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{g}, X, \tilde{q}, \tilde{q} \rightarrow \tilde{q}, \tilde{q} \rightarrow \tilde{q}$	$\epsilon, \mu, \tau, \gamma$	-	Yes	3.2	1.8 TeV	$A_{\tilde{g}\tilde{g}}=0.11, A_{\tilde{q}\tilde{q}\tilde{q}}=0.07$	1607.05979
	Bilinear RPV CMSM	$2 \epsilon, \mu$ (SS)	0-3 jets	Yes	20.3	1.45 TeV	$m(\tilde{g})=m(\tilde{q}), \Gamma_{\tilde{g}\tilde{g}\tilde{g}} < 0.07$	1464.2500
	$\tilde{X}^0, \tilde{X}^0 \rightarrow \tilde{X}^0\tilde{X}^0$	$4 \epsilon, \mu$	-	Yes	13.3	1.14 TeV	$m(\tilde{X}^0)=9000 \text{ GeV}, A_{1110} > 0 (\theta = 1.2)$	ATLAS-CONF-2016-075
	$\tilde{X}^0, \tilde{X}^0 \rightarrow \tilde{X}^0\tilde{X}^0$	$3 \epsilon, \mu, \tau$	-	Yes	20.3	450 GeV	$\text{RPV} \rightarrow \text{RPV}, \text{RPV} > 0, A_{\tilde{g}\tilde{g}\tilde{g}} > 0$	1504.05162
	$\tilde{X}^0, \tilde{X}^0 \rightarrow \tilde{X}^0\tilde{X}^0$	0	4.5 large- $\beta$ jets	-	14.8	1.08 TeV	$m(\tilde{X}^0)=200 \text{ GeV}$	ATLAS-CONF-2016-057
	$\tilde{X}^0, \tilde{X}^0 \rightarrow \tilde{X}^0\tilde{X}^0$	0	4.5 large- $\beta$ jets	-	14.8	1.35 TeV	$m(\tilde{X}^0)=200 \text{ GeV}$	ATLAS-CONF-2016-057
	$\tilde{X}^0, \tilde{X}^0 \rightarrow \tilde{X}^0\tilde{X}^0$	$1 \epsilon, \mu$	8-10 jets/4-6 jets	-	36.1	1.55 TeV	$m(\tilde{X}^0)=1 \text{ TeV}, \mu > 0$	ATLAS-CONF-2017-013
	$\tilde{X}^0, \tilde{X}^0 \rightarrow \tilde{X}^0\tilde{X}^0$	$1 \epsilon, \mu$	8-10 jets/4-6 jets	-	36.1	1.65 TeV	$m(\tilde{X}^0)=1 \text{ TeV}, \mu > 0$	ATLAS-CONF-2017-013
RPV	$\tilde{X}^0, \tilde{X}^0 \rightarrow \tilde{X}^0\tilde{X}^0$	0	2 jets + 2 jets	-	15.4	410 GeV	$m(\tilde{X}^0)=1 \text{ TeV}, \mu > 0$	ATLAS-CONF-2016-022, ATLAS-CONF-2016-084
	$\tilde{X}^0, \tilde{X}^0 \rightarrow \tilde{X}^0\tilde{X}^0$	$2 \epsilon, \mu$	2 jets	-	36.1	450-510 GeV	$\text{RPV} \rightarrow \text{RPV}, \text{RPV} > 0$	ATLAS-CONF-2017-036
	Other	Scalar charm, $\tilde{c} \rightarrow \tilde{c}\tilde{c}$	0	2 $\gamma$	20.3	510 GeV	$m(\tilde{c})=200 \text{ GeV}$	1501.01325

\*Only a selection of the available mass limits on new states or phenomena is shown. Many of the limits are based on simplified models, c.f. Refs. for the assumptions made.



Direct, one-step and two-step decays

Simplified and pMSSM inspired models

Higher reach for electro-weakinos

Limits on the long lived chargino

Limits for RPV models

## Case 2 example: toy model of SUSY breaking

I.A.-Chatrabhuti-Isono-Knoops '16

Can the dilaton be the inflaton in the simple model of SUSY breaking based on a gauged shift symmetry?

the only physical scalar left over, partner (partly) of the goldstino  
partly because of a D-term auxiliary component

Same potential cannot satisfy the slow roll condition  $|\eta| = |V''/V| \ll 1$   
with the dilaton rolling towards the Standard Model minimum

$\Rightarrow$  need to create an appropriate plateau around the maximum of  $V$  [25]  
without destroying the properties of the SM minimum

$\Rightarrow$  study possible corrections to the Kähler potential  
only possibility compatible with the gauged shift symmetry

# Extensions of the SUSY breaking model

Parametrize the general **correction** to the Kähler potential:

$$K = -p\kappa^{-2} \log \left( s + \bar{s} + \frac{\xi}{b} F(s + \bar{s}) \right) + \kappa^{-2} b(s + \bar{s})$$

$$W = \kappa^{-3} a, \quad f(s) = \gamma + \beta s$$

$$\mathcal{P} = \kappa^{-2} c \left( b - p \frac{1 + \frac{\xi}{b} F'}{s + \bar{s} + \frac{\xi}{b} F} \right)$$

Three types of possible corrections:

- perturbative:  $F \sim (s + \bar{s})^{-n}$ ,  $n \geq 0$
- non-perturbative D-brane instantons:  $F \sim e^{-\delta(s+\bar{s})}$ ,  $\delta > 0$
- non-perturbative NS5-brane instantons:  $F \sim e^{-\delta(s+\bar{s})^2}$ ,  $\delta > 0$

Only the last can lead to slow-roll conditions with sufficient inflation

# Slow-roll inflation

$F = \xi e^{\alpha b^2 \phi^2}$  with  $\phi = s + \bar{s} = 1/l \Rightarrow$  two extra parameters  $\alpha < 0$ ,  $\xi$   
they control the shape of the potential

slow-roll conditions:  $\epsilon = 1/2(V'/V)^2 \ll 1$ ,  $|\eta| = |V''/V| \ll 1$

$\Rightarrow$  allowed regions of the parameter space with  $|\xi|$  small

additional independent parameters:  $a, c, b$

SM minimum with tuneable cosmological constant  $\Lambda$ :  $V' = 0$ ,  $V = \Lambda \approx 0$

$\xi = 0 \Rightarrow b\phi_{min} = \rho_0$ ,  $\frac{a^2}{bc^2} = \lambda_0$  with  $\rho_0, \lambda_0$  calculable constants [24]

$b$  controls  $\phi_{min} \sim 1/g_s$  choose it of order 10

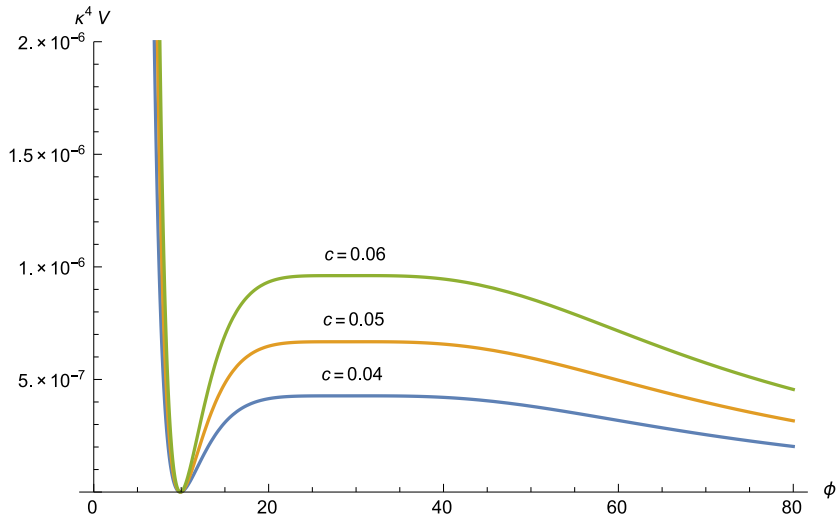
tuning determines  $a$  in terms of  $c$  overall scale of the potential

$\xi \neq 0 \Rightarrow \rho_0, \lambda_0$  become functions  $I(\xi, \alpha), \lambda(\xi, \alpha)$

numerical analysis  $\Rightarrow$  mild dependence



$$\xi = 0.025, \alpha = -4.8, p = 2, b = -0.018$$



# Fit Planck '15 data and predictions

$p = 1$ : similar analysis  $\Rightarrow$

$$\phi_* = 64.53, \xi = 0.30, \alpha = -0.78, b = -0.023, c = 10^{-13}$$

N	$n_s$	$r$	$A_s$
889	0.959	$4 \times 10^{-22}$	$2.205 \times 10^{-9}$

SM minimum:  $\langle \phi \rangle \approx 21.53$ ,  $\langle m_{3/2} \rangle = 18.36$  TeV,  $\langle M_{A_\mu} \rangle = 36.18$  TeV

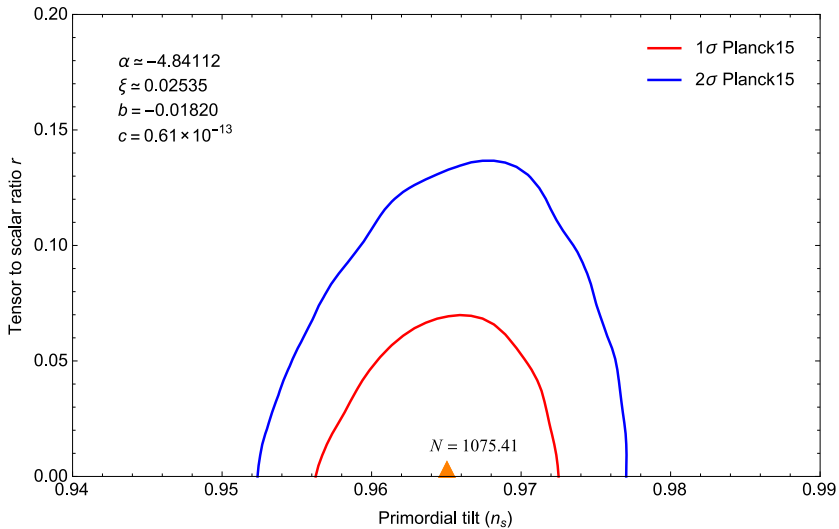
During inflation:

$$H_* = \kappa \sqrt{\mathcal{V}_*/3} = 5.09 \text{ TeV}, m_{3/2}^* = 4.72 \text{ TeV}, M_{A_\mu}^* = 6.78 \text{ TeV}$$

Low energy spectrum essentially the same with  $\xi = 0$ :

$$m_0^2 = m_{3/2}^2 [-2 + \mathcal{C}], \quad A_0 = m_{3/2} \mathcal{C}, \quad B_0 = A_0 - m_{3/2}$$

$$\mathcal{C} = 1.53 \text{ vs at } \xi = 0: \mathcal{C}_0 = 1.52, m_{3/2}^0 = 17.27, \text{ although } \langle \phi \rangle_0 \approx 9.96 \text{ [16]}$$



# Conclusions

String pheno: consistent framework for particle physics and cosmology

**Challenge of scales:** at least three very different (besides  $M_{Planck}$ )  
electroweak, dark energy, inflation, SUSY?

their origins may be connected or independent

SUSY with infinitesimal (tuneable) +ve cosmological constant

- interesting framework for model building incorporating dark energy
- identify inflaton with goldstino superpartner  
inflation at the SUSY breaking scale (TeV?)

General class of models with inflation from SUSY breaking:

(gauged) R-symmetry restored (case 1) or broken (case 2) during inflation  
small field, avoids the  $\eta$ -problem, no (pseudo) scalar companion