

# Weyl current, scale invariance and Planck Scale generation

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## Motivation: Hierarchies

- $\Lambda \equiv \rho_{vac} \sim 10^{-122} M_P^4$
- $m_{Higgs} \sim 10^{-16} M_p$
- $m_{inflaton} \ll H_I$  (slow roll)

## Symmetry origin?

⇒ SUSY

$$\Delta = \Delta_{SUSY} \sim TeV(?)$$

$$\Lambda \sim 10^{-60} M_P^4$$

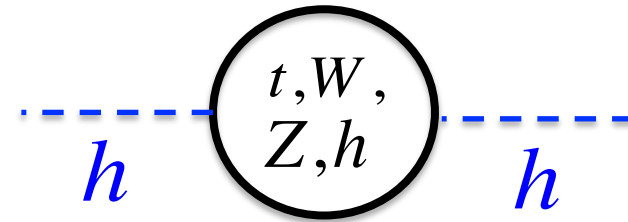
$$m_{\text{inflaton}} \sim H_I \text{ (}\eta\text{-problem)}$$

⇒ Pseudo-Goldstone scalars

$$\phi \rightarrow \phi + c \Rightarrow m_\phi = 0$$

⇒ Scale invariance

## Scale independence?



$$\delta m_h^2 = \frac{3G_F}{4\sqrt{2}\pi^2} (4m_t^2 - 2m_W^2 - m_Z^2 - m_h^2) \Lambda^2 = \left( \frac{\Lambda}{500 \text{ GeV}} \right)^2$$

**Field theory:**  $\delta m^2$  not measurable  
...only  $m^2 = m_0^2 + \delta m^2$  "physical"

Only  $m^2 = 0$  special ("classical" (quantum?) scale invariance)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d m_H^2}{d \ln \mu} = \frac{3m_H^2}{8\pi^2} \left( 2\lambda + y_t^2 - \frac{3g_2^2}{4} - \frac{3g_1^2}{20} \right)$$

## Gravity and scale invariance??

$$S = \int \sqrt{-g} \left( \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \sigma \partial_\nu \sigma - \underbrace{\Lambda}_{\uparrow} + \frac{1}{2} M_P^2 \underbrace{R}_{\uparrow} \right)$$

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equivalent to

$$S = \int \sqrt{-g} \left( \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - \frac{\lambda}{4} \phi^4 - \frac{1}{12} \alpha \phi^2 R \right)$$

$$\Lambda = \frac{\lambda}{4} \langle \phi \rangle^4, \quad M_P^2 = -\frac{\alpha}{6} \langle \phi \rangle^2$$

Brans-Dicke



## Weyl (scale) invariance:

Coordinates are scale free numbers.

Length is defined by the covariant metric.

Fields have canonical mass (length)<sup>-1</sup> dimension

$$g_{\mu\nu}(x) \rightarrow e^{-2\varepsilon(x)} g_{\mu\nu}(x), \quad \det(-g(x)) \rightarrow e^{-4\varepsilon(x)} \det(-g(x))$$

$$\phi(x) \rightarrow e^{\varepsilon(x)} \phi(x)$$

BD form is globally Weyl invariant:

$$S = \int \sqrt{-g} \left( \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - \frac{\lambda}{4} \phi^4 - \frac{1}{12} \alpha \phi^2 R \right)$$

Noether current:

$$K_\mu = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det(-g)}} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \partial^\mu \varepsilon} = (1 - \alpha) \phi \partial_\mu \phi$$

Noether current:

$$K^\mu = (1 - \alpha)\phi \partial^\mu \phi, \quad \nabla_\mu K^\mu = 0$$

Integrable

$$K^\mu = \nabla^\mu K, \quad \text{Kernel } K = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \alpha)\phi^2$$

Integrating:

$$\phi^2 = \phi_0^2 + c \int \frac{dt}{a(t)^3} \quad \Rightarrow \quad K \rightarrow \text{constant}$$

# Spontaneously broken Weyl symmetry

Goldstone mode- dilaton,  $\sigma$

$$\phi = \phi_0 \exp(\sigma/f)$$

...redefine metric  $g_{\mu\nu} = \exp(-2\sigma/f)\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}$

$$\rightarrow S = \int \sqrt{-g} \left( \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \sigma \partial_\nu \sigma - \Lambda + \frac{1}{2} M_P^2 R \right)$$

$$\Lambda = \frac{\lambda}{4} \phi_0^4, \quad M_P^2 = -\frac{\alpha}{6} \phi_0^2$$

$$f = \sqrt{2K_0} \text{ where } K_0 = \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha)\phi_0^2$$

**Weyl symmetry is hidden !**

# Can our world have a hidden Weyl invariance?

... need to generate variety of mass scales

- $H_I \ll M_P, \quad m_{\text{inflaton}} \ll H_I$  (slow roll)

- $m_{\text{Higgs}} \sim 10^{-16} M_P$

- $\Lambda \equiv \rho_{\text{vac}} \sim 10^{-122} M_P^4$

To investigate this consider two scalar fields:

$\phi \rightarrow$  Dilaton

$\chi \rightarrow$  Inflaton / "Higgs"

## Weyl invariant Brans-Dicke theory:

$$S = - \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ \frac{1}{12} \alpha \phi^2 R + \frac{1}{2} \nabla_\mu \phi \nabla^\mu \phi + \frac{1}{12} \beta \chi^2 R + \frac{1}{2} \nabla_\mu \chi \nabla^\mu \chi + W(\phi, \chi) \right]$$

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"dilaton"

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"matter"

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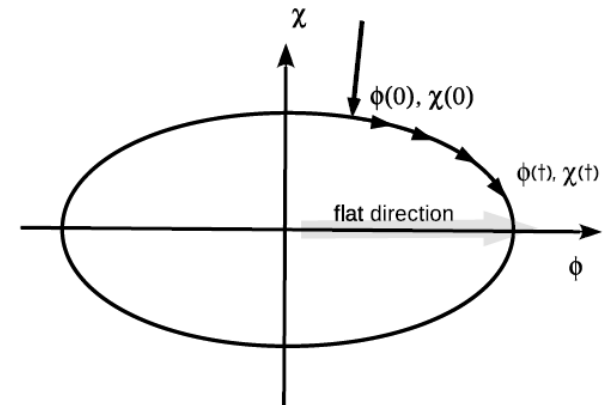
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### Noether current

$$K^\mu = (1 - \alpha) \phi \partial^\mu \phi + (1 - \beta) \chi \partial^\mu \chi \equiv \partial^\mu K$$

$$K = \frac{1}{2} (1 - \alpha) \phi^2 + \frac{1}{2} (1 - \beta) \chi^2 \rightarrow \text{Constant}$$



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### Field equations

$$M^2 G_{\alpha\beta} = T_{\alpha\beta}^\phi + T_{\alpha\beta}^\chi - g_{\alpha\beta} W(\phi, \chi)$$

$$T_{\alpha\beta}^\phi = \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{3}\right) \nabla_\alpha \phi \nabla_\beta \phi + \left(\frac{\alpha}{3} - \frac{1}{2}\right) g_{\alpha\beta} \nabla_\mu \phi \nabla^\mu \phi \\ - \frac{\alpha}{3} \phi \nabla_\alpha \nabla_\beta \phi + \frac{\alpha}{3} g_{\alpha\beta} \phi \square \phi$$

$$T_{\alpha\beta}^\chi = \left(1 - \frac{\beta}{3}\right) \nabla_\alpha \chi \nabla_\beta \chi + \left(\frac{\beta}{3} - \frac{1}{2}\right) g_{\alpha\beta} \nabla_\mu \chi \nabla^\mu \chi \\ - \frac{\beta}{3} \chi \nabla_\alpha \nabla_\beta \chi + \frac{\beta}{3} g_{\alpha\beta} \chi \square \chi$$

$$\square \phi - \frac{\alpha}{6} \phi R - \frac{\partial W}{\partial \phi} = 0, \quad \square \chi - \frac{\beta}{6} \chi R - \frac{\partial W}{\partial \chi} = 0$$



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Inflation?

*FRW* :

$$H^2 - \frac{D}{3M^2} H - \frac{\rho_T}{3M^2} = 0 \quad D = \alpha \phi \dot{\phi} + \beta \chi \dot{\chi}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \square \phi \\ \square \chi \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{K} \begin{pmatrix} 1 + \frac{\beta^2 \chi^2}{6M^2} & -\frac{\alpha \beta \phi \chi}{6M^2} \\ -\frac{\alpha \beta \phi \chi}{6M^2} & 1 + \frac{\alpha^2 \phi^2}{6M^2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{S}_\phi \\ \mathcal{S}_\chi \end{pmatrix}$$

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Jordan Frame

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Inflation?

$$W(\phi, \chi) \approx \xi \chi^4$$

Slow roll:

$$\beta \gg \alpha$$

$$\beta \chi^2 \gg \alpha \phi^2$$

$$M^2 \approx -\frac{1}{6} \beta \chi^2$$

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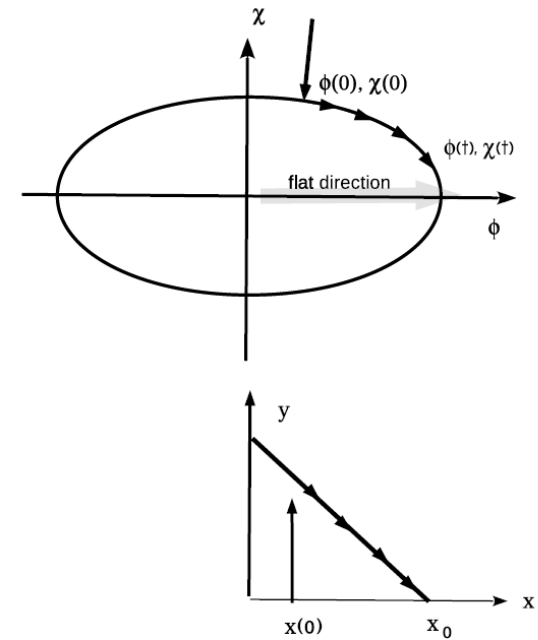
$O(\alpha)$   
scale invariance

## Slow roll

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$$\partial_N x \simeq -\frac{4}{3}\alpha x(x - x_0) \quad N = \ln(a(t))$$



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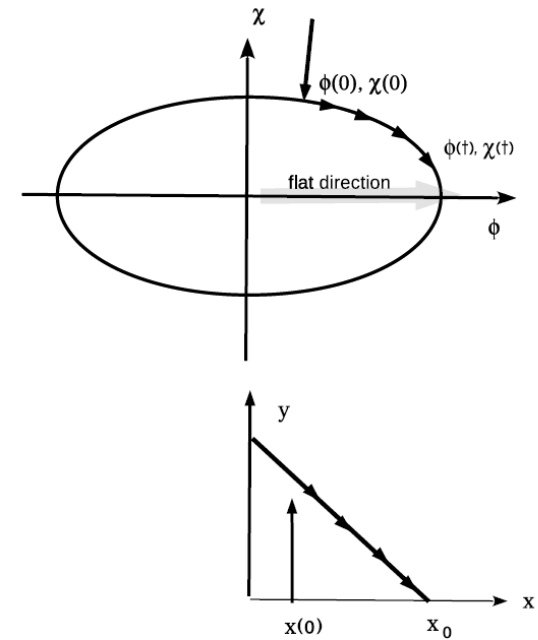
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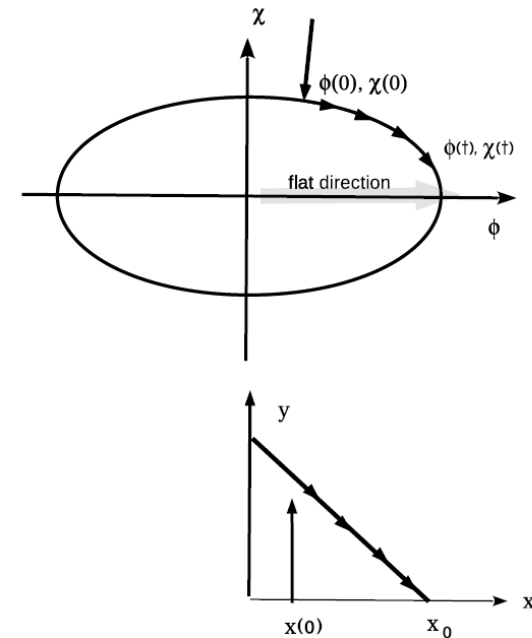


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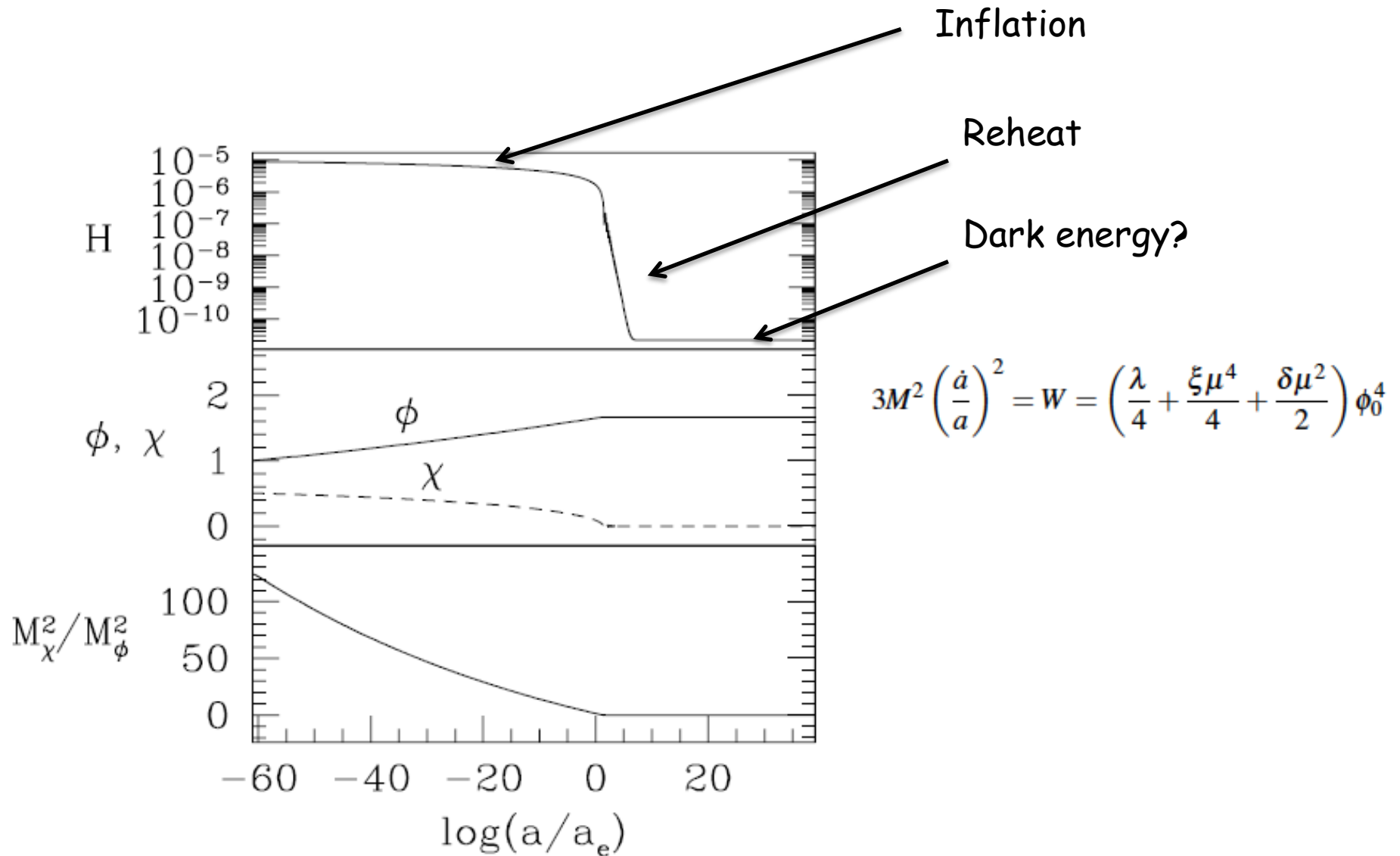
$$x(t \rightarrow \infty) = x_0$$

$$\frac{\chi_0^2}{\phi_0^2} = \frac{\beta\lambda - \alpha\delta}{\alpha\xi - \beta\delta}$$

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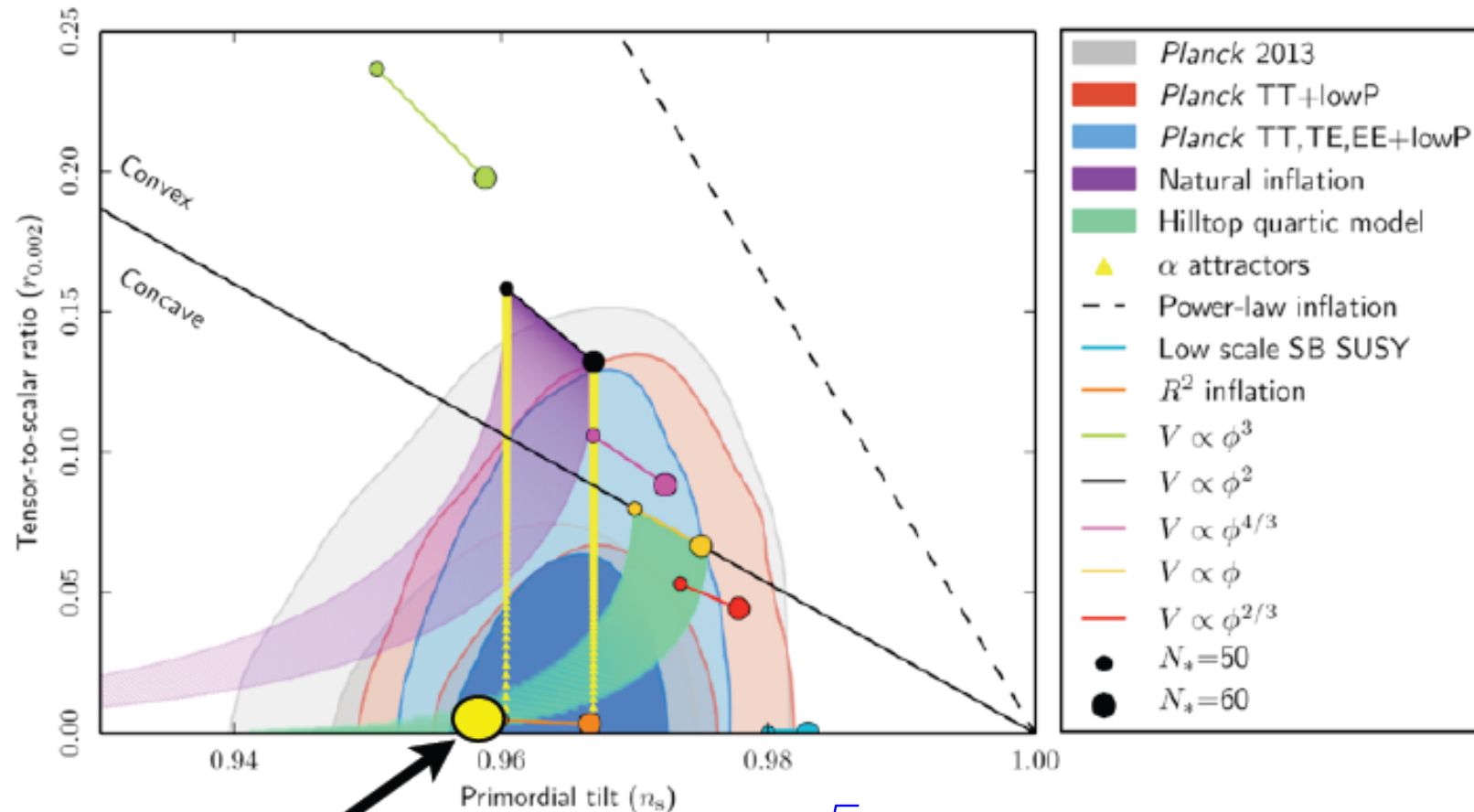
$$M_P^2 \simeq -\frac{1}{6}\alpha\phi^2$$

# Cosmology of symmetry broken phase



$$3M^2 \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = W = \left(\frac{\lambda}{4} + \frac{\xi\mu^4}{4} + \frac{\delta\mu^2}{2}\right)\phi_0^4$$

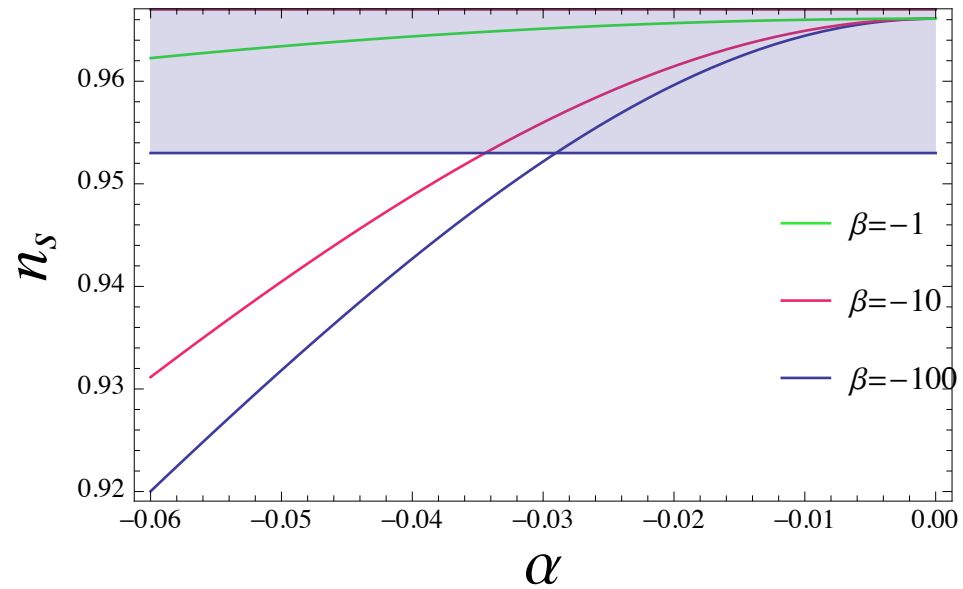
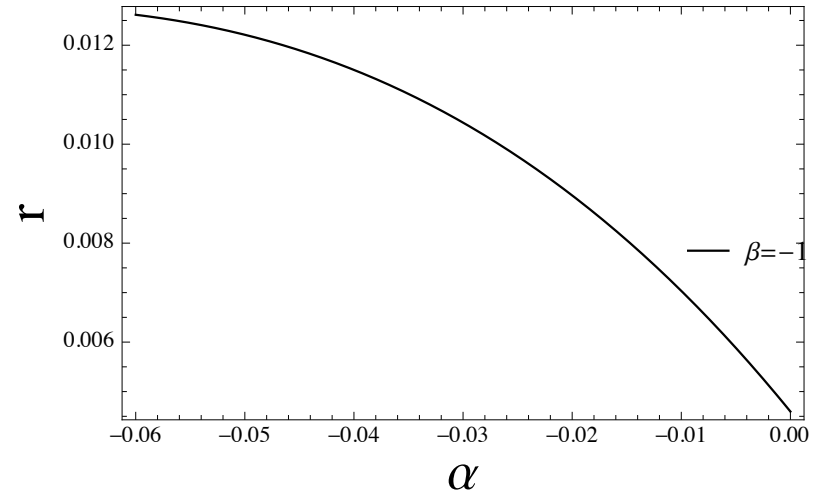
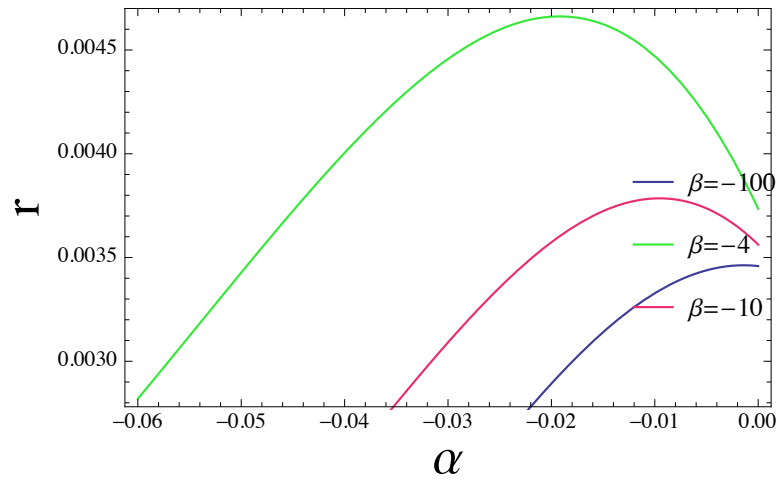
# Cosmology of symmetry broken phase



We are here

$$\frac{\sqrt{\xi}}{\beta} = 10^{-5}, \quad \alpha < 10^{-1}$$

# Inflationary post-dictions





# Summary

- Spontaneously broken scale-invariant "SM"+gravity  
- only dimensionless ratios meaningful

Small or zero - c.c. fine tuned

$$\frac{H_I^2}{M_P^2} \propto \frac{\xi}{\beta^2}, \quad \frac{m_{H''}^2}{M_P^2} \propto \frac{\delta}{\alpha}, \quad \frac{H_0^2}{M_P^2} \propto \frac{1}{\alpha^2} \left( \frac{\lambda}{4} + \frac{\xi\mu^4}{4} + \frac{\delta\mu^2}{2} \right) \quad \mu^2 = \frac{\delta}{\xi}$$

Hierarchy related to hierarchy of couplings (input but technically natural)  
(No heavy states)

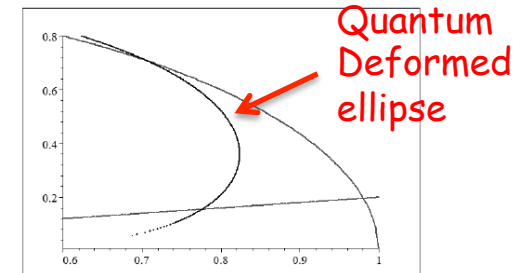
- Slow roll inflation with acceptable properties possible

$$r < 0.01, n_s < 0.967$$

- Massless dilaton - decouples ...no 5<sup>th</sup> force avoiding BD bounds

- Classical → Quantum scale invariance?

$$V(\phi) = \lambda\phi^4 + \frac{\beta_\lambda}{4}\phi^4 \ln\left(\frac{\phi}{M}\right); \quad M \rightarrow M(\phi, \chi)$$



c.f. D. Ghilencea's talk -tomorrow



# Multiscalars

Conformal transformation with  $\phi_i = e^{-\frac{\sigma}{f}} \hat{\phi}_i$  and  $g_{\mu\nu} = e^{2\frac{\sigma}{f}} \hat{g}_{\mu\nu}$

$\sigma$  is the dilaton and  $\hat{\phi}_i$  satisfies  $\bar{K} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N (1 - \alpha_i) \hat{\phi}_i^2 = f^2$

Transformed action:

$$S = - \int d^4x \sqrt{-\hat{g}} \left[ -\frac{1}{12} \sum_i^N \alpha_i \hat{\phi}_i^2 \hat{R} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_i^N \partial_\mu \hat{\phi}_i \partial^\mu \hat{\phi}_i \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{f^2} \bar{K} \partial_\mu \sigma \partial^\mu \sigma + \frac{1}{f} \underbrace{\partial_\mu \sigma \partial^\mu \bar{K}}_{=0} - W(\vec{\hat{\phi}}) + \lambda_L \mathcal{C}(\vec{\hat{\phi}}) \right]$$

(i.e. no coupling  $\longrightarrow$  no fifth force!)

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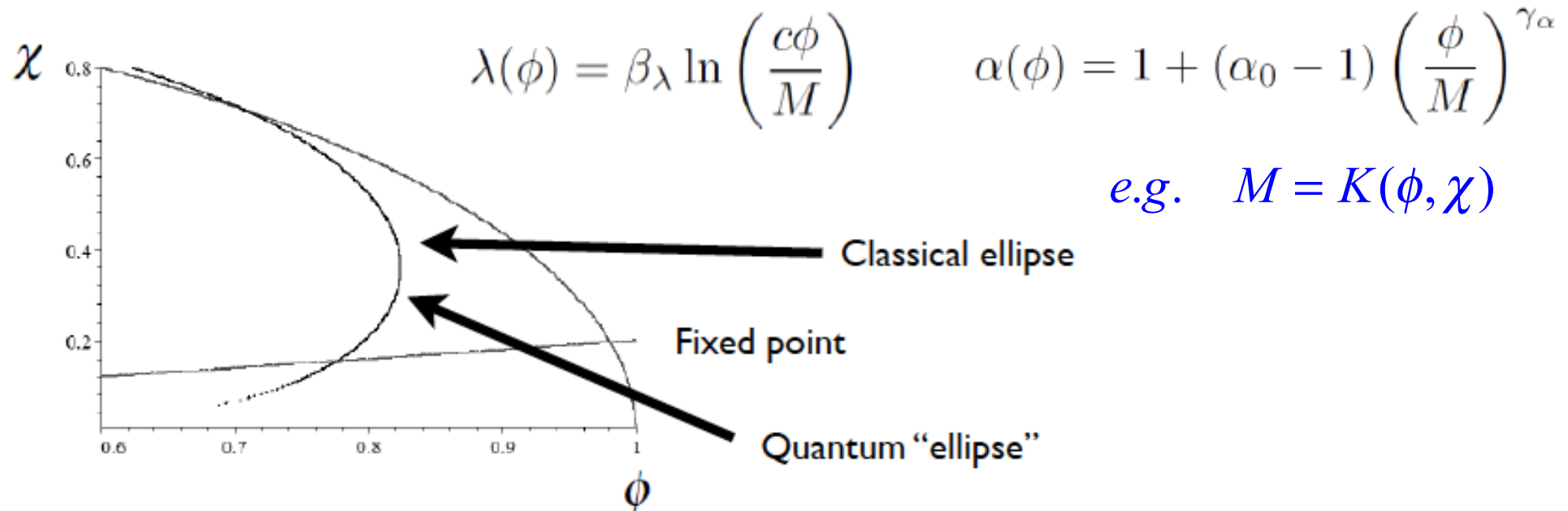
# Ellipse is deformed

All dimensionless parameters run with RG

$$\phi \frac{\partial \lambda}{\partial \phi} = \beta_\lambda \quad \left( = \frac{9\lambda^2}{8\pi^2} \right)$$

$$\phi \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial \phi} = \beta_\alpha = (\alpha - 1)\gamma_\alpha \quad \left( \gamma_\alpha = \frac{3\lambda}{8\pi^2} \right)$$

One loop solution with internal renormalization



# Inflationary post-dictions

$$H^2(N) = \frac{18\xi}{\beta^2} \frac{M_\chi^4}{M^2}$$

Einstein frame:

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \Omega^2 \tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} \quad \Omega^2 = \frac{M_P^2}{M_\phi^2 + M_\chi^2}$$

$$\tilde{H} = \Omega \left(1 - \frac{d \ln \Omega}{dN}\right) H$$

Observables:

$$r = 16\varepsilon = -16 \frac{d \ln \tilde{H}}{d\tilde{N}}, \quad \eta = \varepsilon - \frac{\varepsilon'}{2\varepsilon}, \quad n_s = 1 + 2\eta - 4\varepsilon$$

$$\delta_H^2 = \frac{V_H}{150\pi^2 M_P^4 \varepsilon} = \frac{36}{150\pi^2 \varepsilon} \frac{\xi}{\beta^2} = 4 \cdot 10^{-10} \Rightarrow \frac{\xi}{\beta^2} \sim 10^{-10}$$

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