

General Higgs-sigma models for inflation and its supergravity embedding

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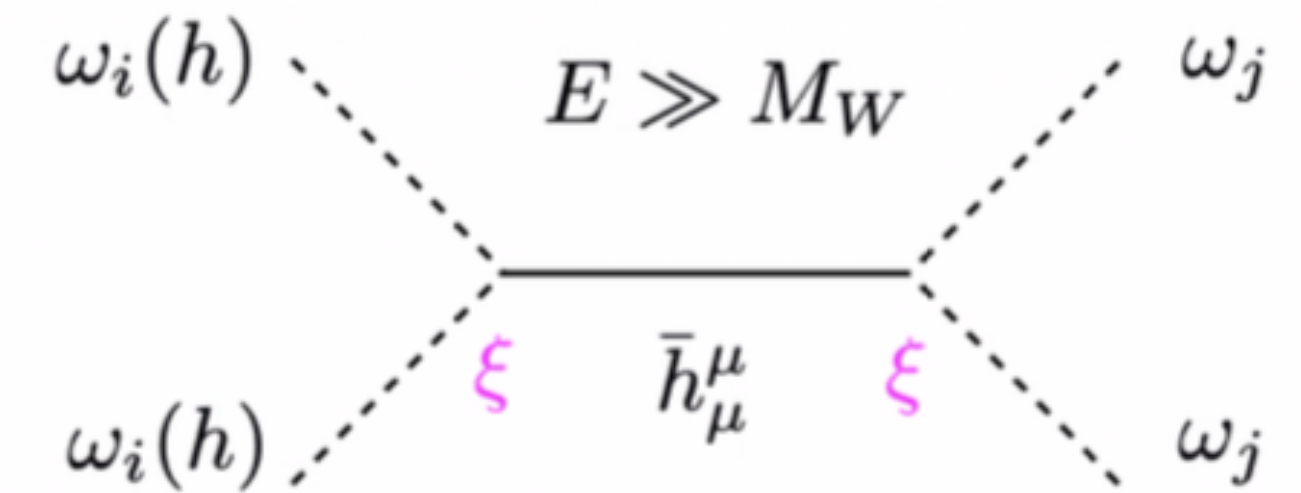
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Higgs Inflation

$$\mathcal{L} = \sqrt{-\bar{g}} \left[-\frac{1}{2} (1 + \xi \bar{\phi}_i^2) \bar{R} + \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \bar{\phi}_i \partial_\nu \bar{\phi}_i - \frac{\lambda}{4} (\bar{\phi}_i^2)^2 \right]$$

[Bezrukov, Shaposhnikov - 0710.3755]



- A non-minimal coupling of the Higgs to gravity is required.
- $\xi \simeq 10^4$ large non minimal coupling is needed to be consistent with Planck data.

- This leads to **unitarity violation** even at small values of the field.

[Burgess, HML, Trott(2009,2010);
Barbon, Espinosa (2009);
Hertzberg(2010)]

- Including higher order operators spoils the slow-roll regime

$$\Lambda_{\text{cutoff}} = \frac{M_P}{\xi}$$

- A new scalar field instead can restore unitarity up to the Plank scale. [Giudice, Lee - 1010.1417]

Introducing a scalar through a conformal transformation

$$\mathcal{L} = \sqrt{-\bar{g}} \left[-\frac{1}{2}(1 + \xi \bar{\phi}_i^2) \bar{R} + \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \bar{\phi}_i \partial_\nu \bar{\phi}_i - \frac{\lambda}{4} (\bar{\phi}_i^2)^2 \right] \xrightarrow{\bar{g}_{\mu\nu} = e^{2\varphi} g_{\mu\nu}} \mathcal{L} = \sqrt{-g} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{6} \phi_i^2 - \frac{1}{6} \sigma^2 \right) R + \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \phi_i)^2 + \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \sigma)^2 - \frac{\lambda}{4} (\phi_i^2)^2 - \frac{\kappa}{4} \left[\left(\sigma + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2} \right)^2 + 3 \left(\xi + \frac{1}{6} \right) \phi_i^2 - \frac{3}{2} \right]^2 \right\}.$$

- Constraint equation: $\sigma = \frac{1}{2} \left(\sqrt{\phi^2 - 12 \left(\xi + \frac{1}{6} \right) \phi_i^2} - \phi \right)$
- If $\kappa(x)$ is a constant, the constraint equation is set dynamically by the minimum of the potential.
- If instead it is dynamical we have a **UV completion**.
- From the potential we can directly see the **perturbativity conditions**:

$$\kappa \lesssim 1, \quad \lambda + 9\kappa \left(\xi + \frac{1}{6} \right)^2 \lesssim 1, \quad 6\kappa \left(\xi + \frac{1}{6} \right) \lesssim 1$$

General UV completions from σ models

We add higher curvature terms

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{gen}} = \sqrt{-\hat{g}} \left[-\frac{1}{2}(1 + \xi \hat{\phi}_i^2) \hat{R} + \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \hat{\phi}_i \partial_\nu \hat{\phi}_i - \frac{\lambda}{4} (\hat{\phi}_i^2)^2 + \sum_k \frac{2(-1)^{k+1} \alpha_k}{k+1} \hat{R}^{k+1} \right] \longrightarrow \frac{\mathcal{L}_{\text{gen}}}{\sqrt{-g}} = -\frac{1}{2} R \left(1 - \frac{1}{6} \phi_i^2 - \frac{1}{6} \sigma^2 \right) + \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \sigma)^2 + \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \phi_i)^2 - \sum_k \Omega^{-2+\frac{2}{k}} \left(\frac{2k}{k+1} \right) \alpha_k \chi_k^{1+\frac{1}{k}} - \frac{\lambda}{4} \phi_i^4$$

Constraint equation $\sum_k 4\alpha_k \chi_k = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \left(\sigma + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2} \right)^2 - \left(\xi + \frac{1}{6} \right) \phi_i^2$

Example. Only one curvature term $\mathcal{L}_{\text{gen}} = \sqrt{-\hat{g}} \left[-\frac{1}{2}(1 + \xi \hat{\phi}_i^2) \hat{R} + \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \hat{\phi}_i \partial_\nu \hat{\phi}_i - \frac{\lambda}{4} (\hat{\phi}_i^2)^2 + \frac{2(-1)^{p+1} \alpha_p}{p+1} \hat{R}^{p+1} \right]$

$$\chi_p = \frac{1}{4\alpha_p} \left[\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \left(\sigma + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2} \right)^2 - \left(\xi + \frac{1}{6} \right) \phi_i^2 \right]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{1}{4} \kappa_n (-1)^{2n} \sigma^{2n} (\sigma + \sqrt{6})^{2(2-n)} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \binom{2n}{l} \frac{3^l (\xi + \frac{1}{6})^l (\phi_i^2)^l}{\sigma^l (\sigma + \sqrt{6})^l}$$

$$U(\sigma, \phi_i) \equiv \frac{1}{4} \kappa_n (\sigma + \sqrt{6})^{4(1-n)} \left[-\sigma(\sigma + \sqrt{6}) - 3 \left(\xi + \frac{1}{6} \right) \phi_i^2 \right]^{2n}$$

$\nearrow n = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{p} \right)$

For 2n non integer, infinite series $\kappa_n \left(\xi + \frac{1}{6} \right)^2 \lesssim 1$

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Inflation

$$\mathcal{L}_E = \sqrt{-g_E} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} R(g_E) + \frac{3}{4\Omega^4} (\partial_\mu \Omega^2)^2 + \frac{1}{2\Omega^2} (\partial_\mu h)^2 + \frac{1}{2\Omega^2} (\partial_\mu \sigma)^2 - V(\sigma, h) \right\} \quad V(\sigma, h) = \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{6}h^2 - \frac{1}{6}\sigma^2\right)^2} \left[\frac{1}{4}\kappa_1 \left(\sigma(\sigma + \sqrt{6}) + 3\left(\xi + \frac{1}{6}\right)h^2 \right)^2 + \frac{1}{4}\lambda h^4 \right]$$

Integrating out the Higgs field

$$h^2 = \frac{\kappa_1 \sigma (\sigma + \sqrt{6}) (\sigma - 3(\xi + \frac{1}{6})) (\sigma - \sqrt{6})}{\lambda (\sigma - \sqrt{6}) - 3\kappa_1 (\xi + \frac{1}{6}) (\sigma - 3(\xi + \frac{1}{6})) (\sigma - \sqrt{6})}$$

Canonical field

$$\sigma = -\sqrt{6} \tanh\left(\frac{\chi}{\sqrt{6}}\right)$$

$$V_{\text{eff}}(\chi) = \frac{9\kappa_1}{4} \left(1 - e^{-2\chi/\sqrt{6}}\right)^2 \left[1 + \frac{\kappa_1}{4\lambda} \left(6\xi + e^{-2\chi/\sqrt{6}}\right)^2\right]^{-1}$$

$$n_s = 1 - \frac{2}{N} - \frac{9}{2N^2} + \frac{3\kappa_1}{N^2} \frac{(-\lambda + 12\lambda\xi + 18\kappa_1\xi^2(1 + 6\xi))}{(2\lambda + 3\kappa_1\xi(1 + 6\xi))^2}$$

$$r = 16\epsilon_* = \frac{12}{N^2}$$

The Higgs quartic coupling changes predictions

but this contribution is small $\lambda \approx \kappa_1 \xi^2 \leq 1$

Future measurements of n_s (CMB-S4, LiteBIRD) could see the difference due to the $1/N^2$ terms.

Reheating Temperature

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -3 \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2} \kappa \left(\xi + \frac{1}{6} \right) \sigma h^2 - \frac{\kappa}{2} \left(3 \left(\xi + \frac{1}{6} \right) + 1 \right) \sigma^2 h^2$$

$$\Gamma(\sigma \rightarrow 2h) \approx \frac{27M_P^2}{16\pi m_\sigma} \kappa^2 \left(\xi + \frac{1}{6} \right)^2 \quad m_\sigma \gg m_h$$

$$\Gamma = H_{rh} = \sqrt{\frac{\rho_{rh}}{3M_P}}$$

$$\rho_{rh} = \frac{\pi^2 g_*}{30} T_{rh}^4$$

$$T_{reh} = \kappa^{3/4} \left(\xi + \frac{1}{6} \right) \times 1.4 \times 10^{18} \text{ GeV}$$

$$T_{reh} \sim 10^{13} \text{ GeV}$$

T_{reh} depends on the non-minimal coupling

Reheating is more efficient than in the Starobinsky case

Dark Energy from R^{p+1}

$$V(\chi) = \frac{9\kappa_n}{4^n} \cdot e^{-2(1-\frac{1}{p})\chi/\sqrt{6}} \left(1 - e^{-2\chi/\sqrt{6}}\right)^{1+\frac{1}{p}}$$

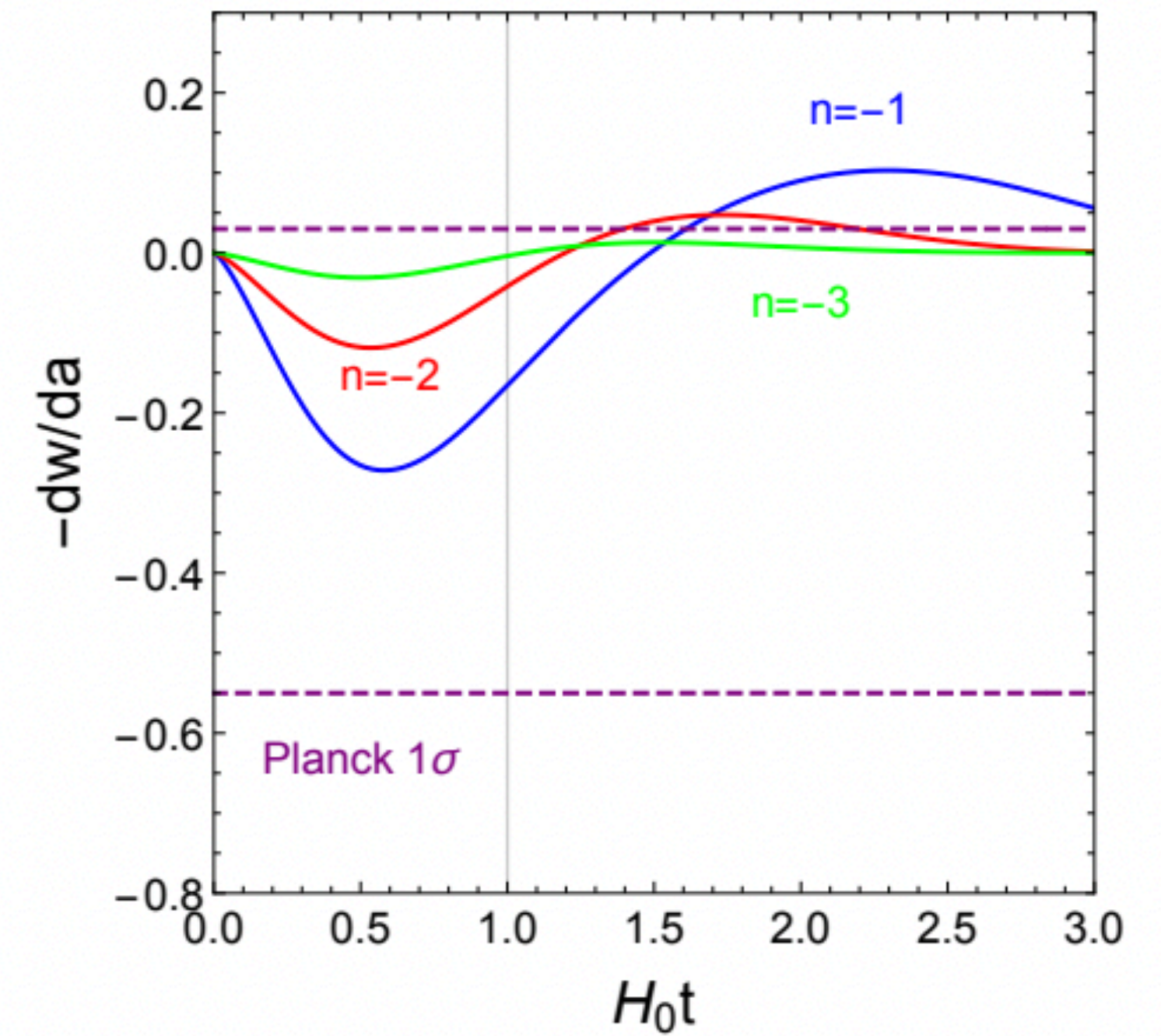
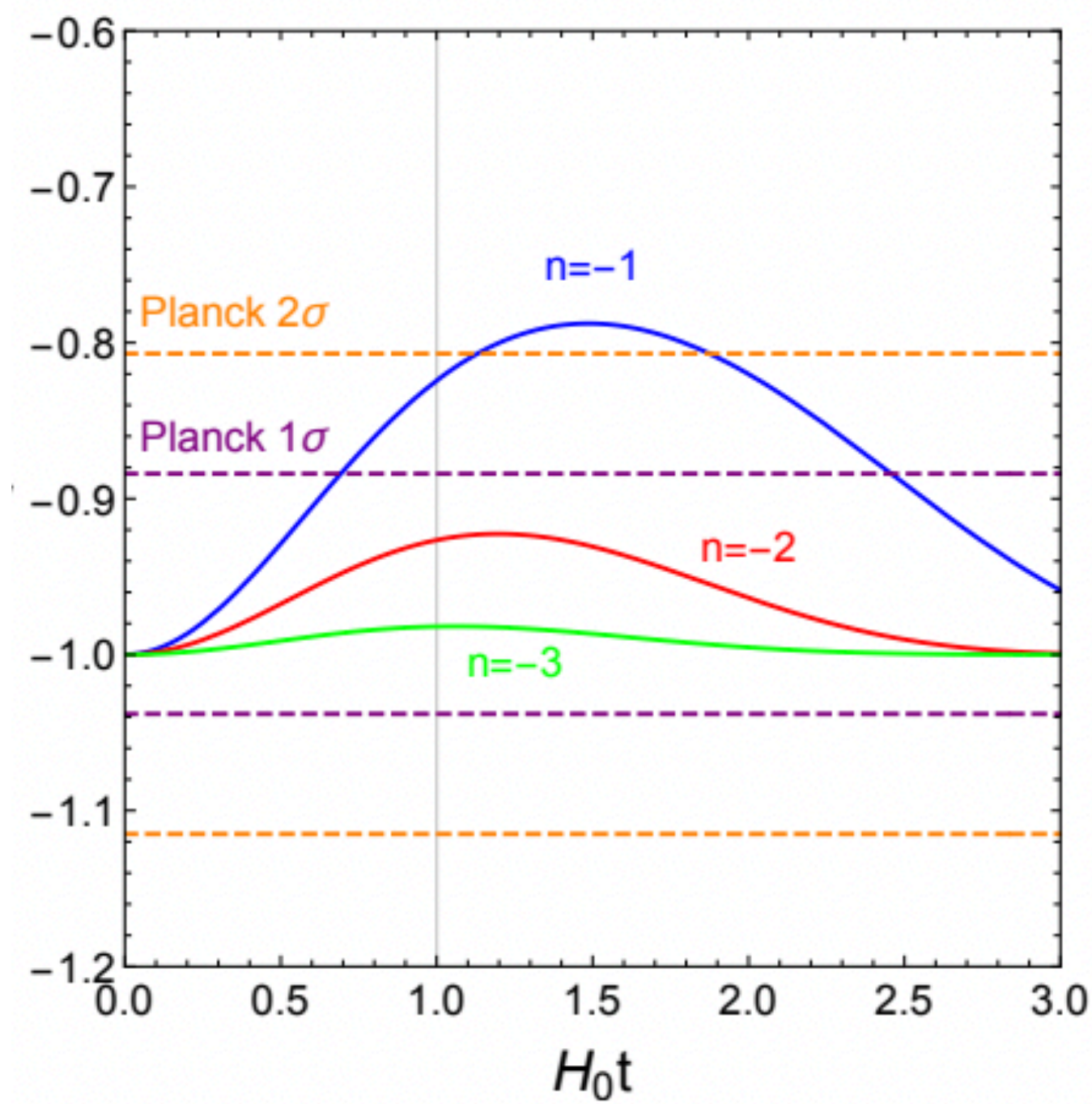
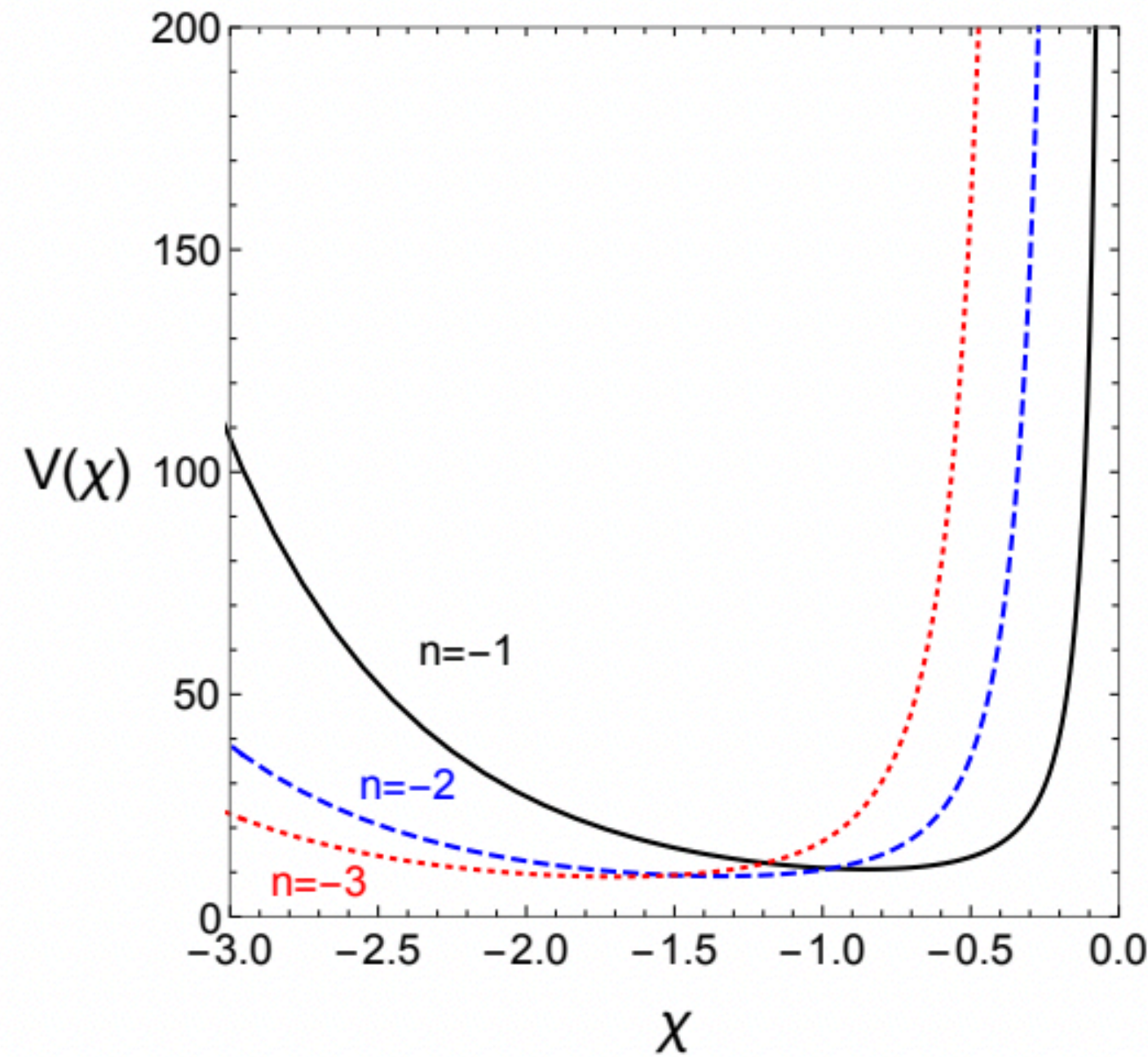
$$w' = (w - 1) \left[3(1 + w) - c\sqrt{3(1 + w)\Omega_\chi} \right]$$

$$c' = -\sqrt{3(1 + w)\Omega_\chi} (\Gamma - 1)c^2$$

$$\Omega'_\chi = -3(w - w_m)\Omega_\chi(1 - \Omega_\chi)$$

$$\Gamma = V \frac{d^2V}{d\chi^2} \left(\frac{dV}{d\chi} \right)^{-2}$$

Sigma-field potential



Supergravity set-up

$$S = \left[|X^0| \tilde{\Omega}(z^\alpha, \bar{z}^{\bar{\beta}}) \right]_D + \left[(X^0)^3 \tilde{\Omega}(z^\alpha) \right]_F + \left[f_{AB}(z^\alpha) \bar{\mathcal{W}}^A \mathcal{W}^B \right]_F + \left[\alpha \bar{R} R \right]_D$$

- X^0 is a chiral **compensator multiplet**. It is unphysical and eliminated through gauge conditions.
- z^α and $\bar{z}^{\bar{\beta}}$ are chiral and anti-chiral matter multiplets (0,0).
- $\tilde{\Omega}$ is a real frame function related to the **Kähler potential** $\bar{K} = -3 \log \left(-\frac{\tilde{\Omega}}{3} \right)$
- W is the **superpotential** and f the gauge kinetic function.
- $[\alpha \bar{R} R]_D$ is a curvature multiplet with $R = (X^0)^{-1} \Sigma(\bar{X}^{\bar{0}})$

Bosonic Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}/\sqrt{-g} = -\tilde{\Omega}_{\alpha\bar{\beta}}\partial_{\mu}z^{\alpha}\partial^{\mu}\bar{z}^{\bar{\beta}} + (-i\tilde{\Omega}_{\alpha}\partial_{\mu}z^{\alpha}\mathcal{A}^{\mu} + \text{c.c.}) + \tilde{\Omega}(-\mathcal{A}^2 + |F^0|^2) + (3F^0\tilde{W} + \text{c.c.})$$

$$+ \left(-\frac{\tilde{\Omega}}{6} + \frac{\alpha}{6}|F^0|^2 + \frac{\alpha}{3}\mathcal{A}^2\right)R + \frac{\alpha}{36}R^2 + \alpha\left(\mathcal{A}^2 + |F^0|^2\right)^2 + \alpha(\nabla_{\mu}\mathcal{A}^{\mu})^2$$

Non-minimal couplings to matter

$$-\alpha\left|\partial_{\mu}F^0 - 3i\mathcal{A}_{\mu}F^0\right|^2 - \tilde{\Omega}^{\alpha\bar{\beta}}(\tilde{\Omega}_{\alpha}\bar{F}^{\bar{0}} + \tilde{W}_{\alpha})(\tilde{\Omega}_{\bar{\beta}}F^0 + \tilde{W}_{\bar{\beta}}) - \frac{1}{2}(\text{Ref})^{-1AB}\tilde{\Omega}_{\alpha}k_A^{\alpha}\tilde{\Omega}_{\bar{\beta}}k_B^{\bar{\beta}}$$

F^0 is dynamical

Killing vectors

The Higgs sector is composed of $z^{\alpha} = \{H, H_u, H_d\}$

$$H_u = \begin{pmatrix} H_u^+ \\ H_u^0 \end{pmatrix} \quad H_d = \begin{pmatrix} H_d^0 \\ H_d^- \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{\Omega}(z^\alpha, \bar{z}^{\bar{\beta}}) = -3 + |S|^2 + |H_u|^2 + |H_d|^2 + \left(\frac{3}{2} \chi H_u \cdot H_d + \text{h.c.} \right)$$

$$\tilde{W}(z^\alpha) = \lambda S H_u \cdot H_d + \frac{\rho}{3} S^3$$

Kinetic terms of the NMSSM

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}/\sqrt{-g} = & \left\{ \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{6} |S|^2 - \frac{1}{6} |H_u|^2 - \frac{1}{6} |H_d|^2 + \left(-\frac{1}{4} \chi H_u \cdot H_d + \text{h.c.} \right) \right\} R \\ & - |\partial_\mu S|^2 - |\partial_\mu H_u|^2 - |\partial_\mu H_d|^2 + \frac{\alpha}{36} R^2 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Extra scalar fields appear in comparison to the non-supersymmetric case

Dual-scalar Lagrangian

$$[\alpha\bar{\mathcal{R}}\mathcal{R}]_D = [\alpha\bar{C}C]_D + [T(C - \mathcal{R})]_F$$

The EOM for T leads to $C = R$

$$S = [|X^0|^2 (\tilde{\Omega} + \alpha\bar{C}C - (T + \bar{T}))]_D + [(X^0)^3 (\tilde{W} + TC)]_F + [f_{AB}(z^\alpha) \bar{\mathcal{W}}^A \mathcal{W}^B]_F \quad \text{Total action}$$

$$S = [|X^0|^2 \Omega(z^I, \bar{z}^{\bar{J}})]_D + [(X^0)^3 W(z^I)]_F + [f_{AB}(z^I) \bar{\mathcal{W}}^A \mathcal{W}^B]_F \quad \text{Standard supergravity}$$

$$\Omega(z^I, \bar{z}^{\bar{J}}) \equiv \tilde{\Omega}(z^\alpha, \bar{z}^{\bar{\beta}}) + |C|^2 - (T + \bar{T}) = -3 + |S|^2 + |H_u|^2 + |H_d|^2 + \left(\frac{3}{2} \chi H_u \cdot H_d + \text{h.c.} \right) + |C|^2 - (T + \bar{T})$$

$$W(z^I) \equiv \tilde{W}(z^\alpha) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha}} TC = \lambda S H_u \cdot H_d + \frac{\rho}{3} S^3 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha}} TC$$

Higher derivatives have been moved to T and C

Conclusions

- **General linear sigma models can be regarded as UV completions of Higgs inflation.**
 - **A particular family of models coming from R^2 leads to successful inflation.**
 - **Higher curvature terms R^{p+1} can explain Dark Energy with tracker behavior.**
 - **Predictions for the time-varying equation of state can be consistent with observations within 1σ [Planck 18 -1807.06209]**
 - **We provided a supersymmetry embedding of general Higgs-sigma models.**
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- **In the next talk by Shuntaro Aoki:**
 - **Inflation in supersymmetric models and SUSY breaking at low energies**
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- **On-going and future work:**
 - **Dark Matter production**