

The Dilaton and its many Faces

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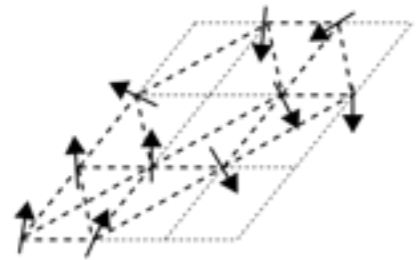
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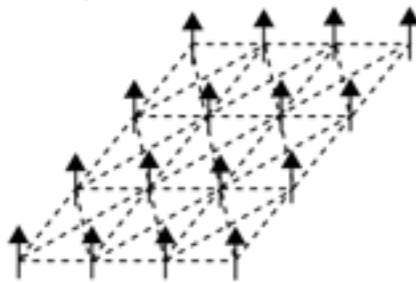
(Quantum) Field Theory of order parameter describes many physical systems with phase transitions

Ferromagnetism

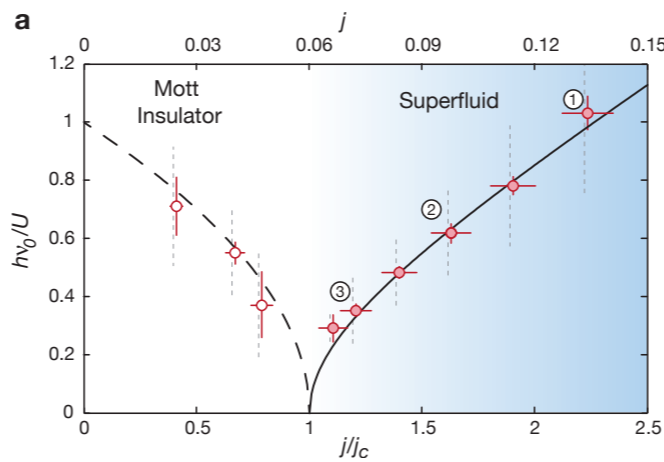
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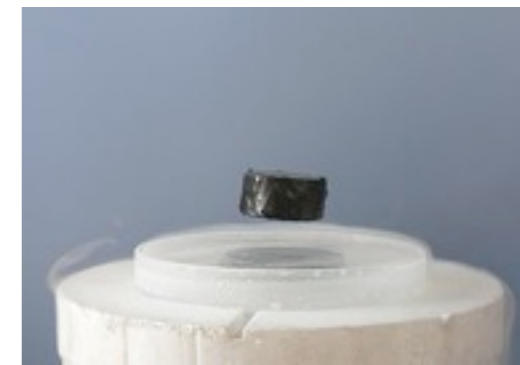
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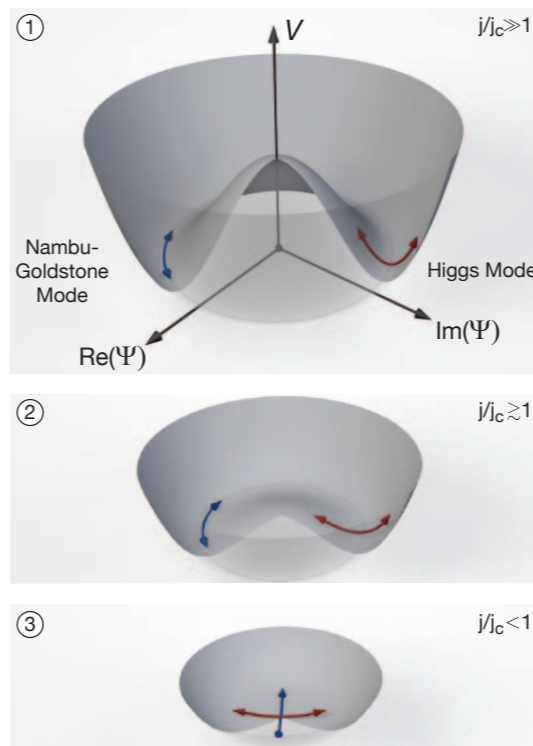
Superfluidity



Superconductivity



temperature



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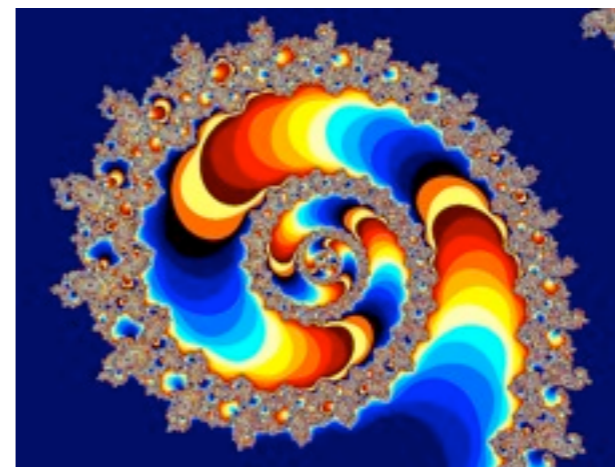
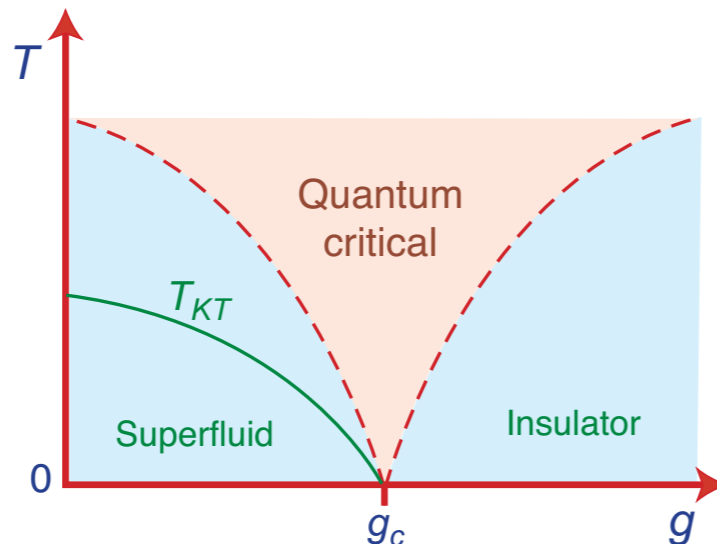
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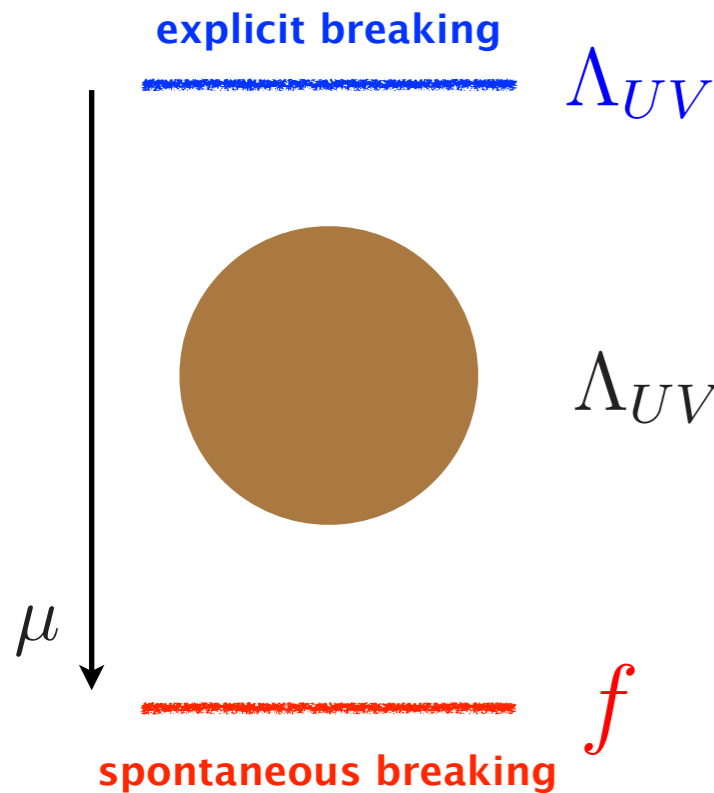
Let us entertain an interesting possibility



Scale (conformal) invariant dynamics

The Dilaton

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Scale (conformal) invariant sector

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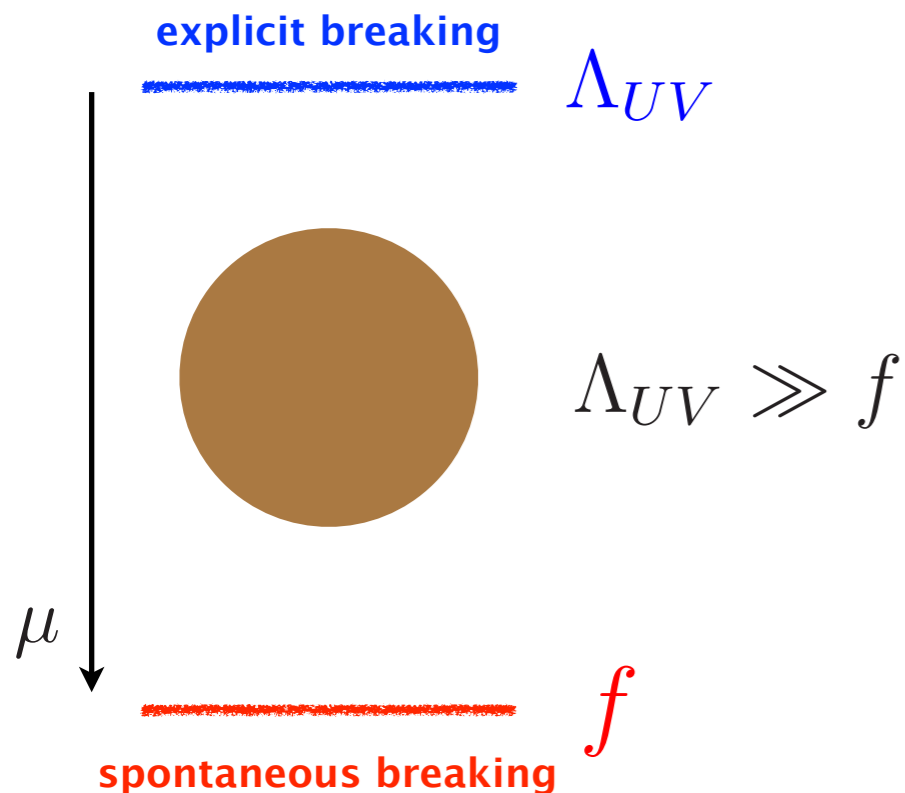
Spontaneous breaking of scale invariance

$$\langle \mathcal{O}(x) \rangle = f^{d_{\mathcal{O}}}$$

1 GB (enough): $SO(4, 2)/SO(3, 1)$

$$\chi \equiv f e^{\sigma/f} \rightarrow e^\alpha \chi$$
$$\sigma \rightarrow \sigma + \alpha f$$

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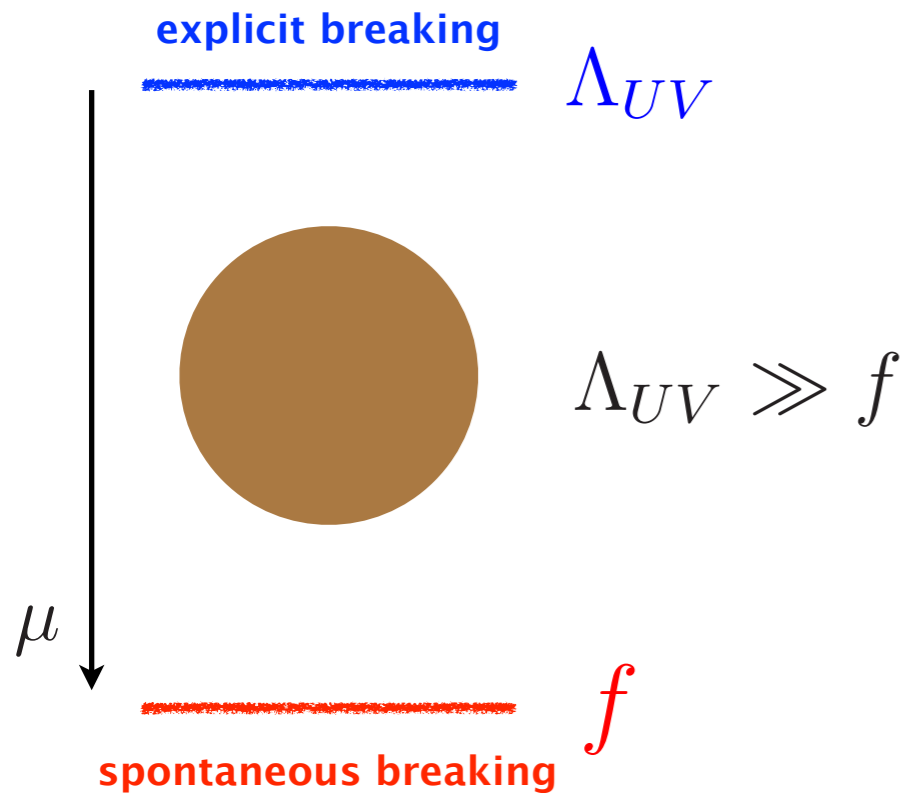
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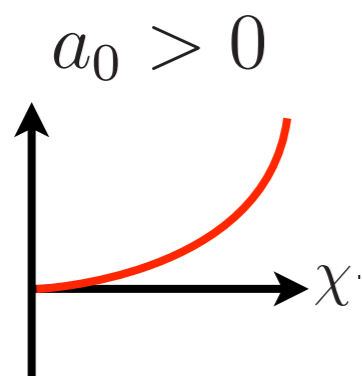
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Fubini '76

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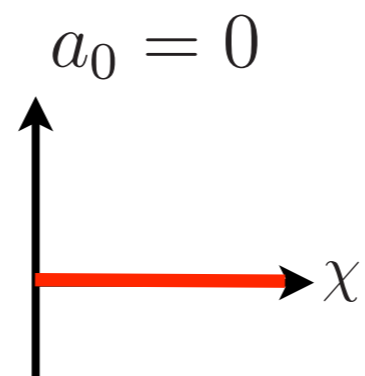
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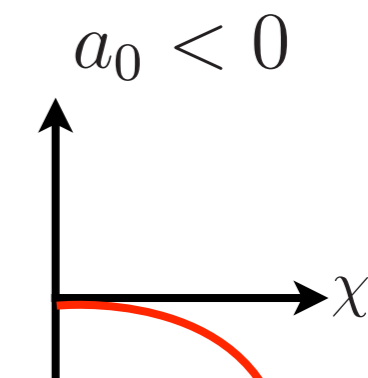
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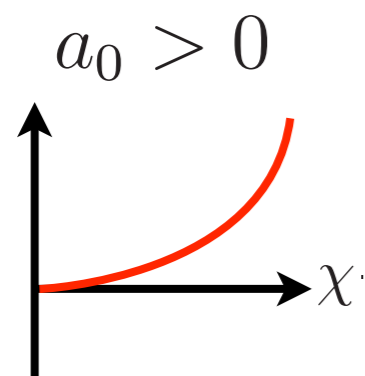
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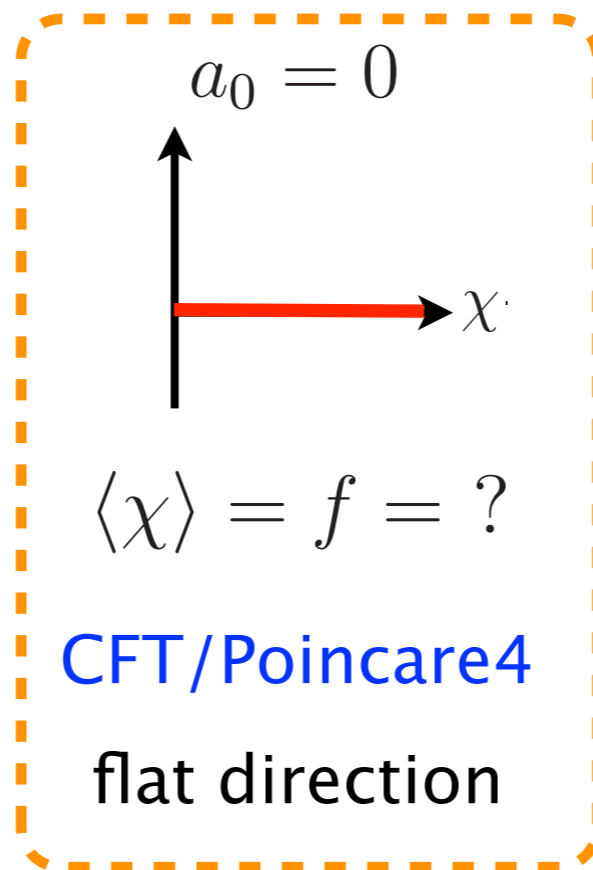
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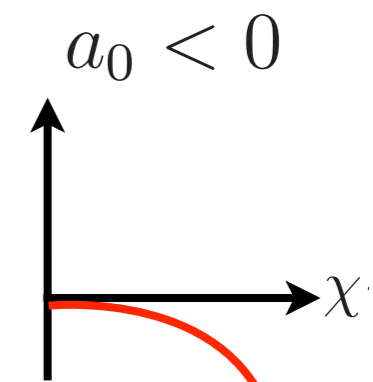


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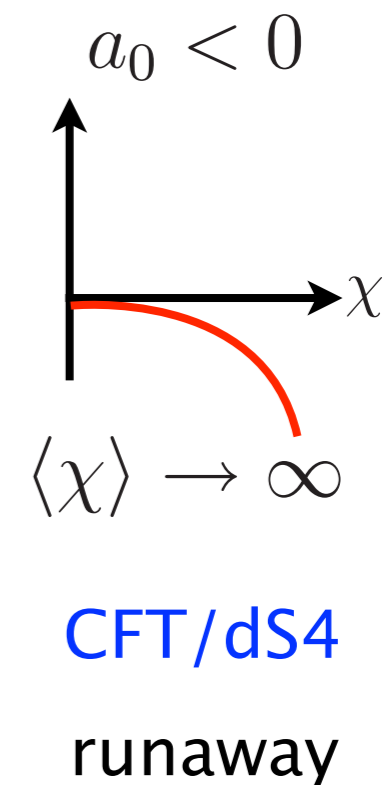
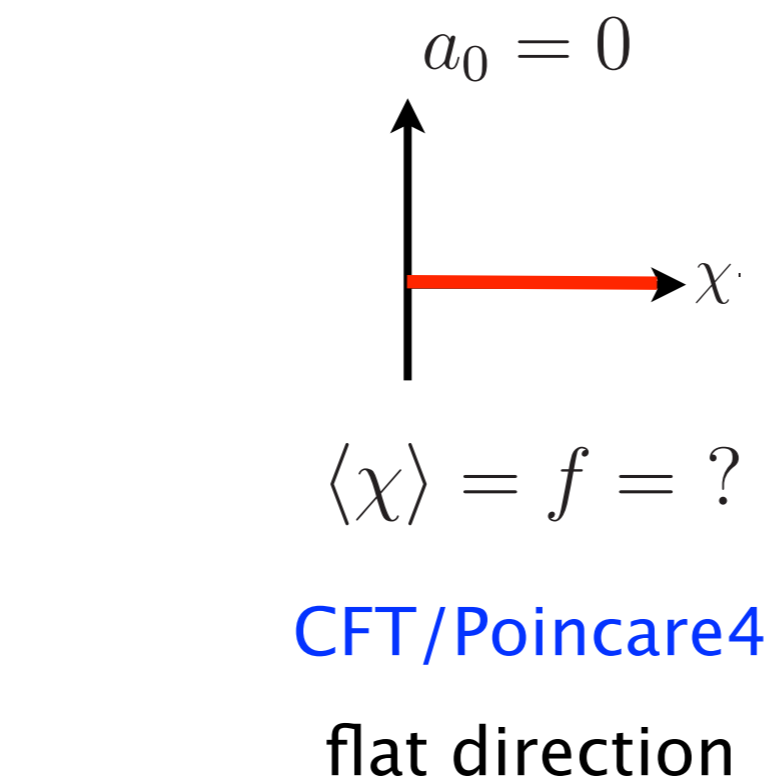
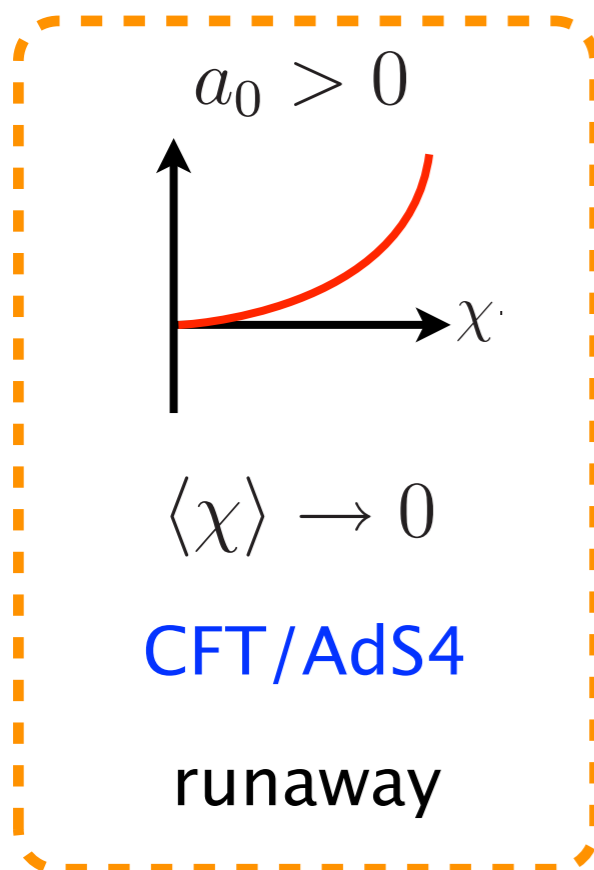
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WE WISH

We need to add a perturbation (explicit breaking)

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{CFT} + \lambda \mathcal{O} \quad [\mathcal{O}] = 4 - \beta/\lambda \quad \frac{d\lambda(\mu)}{d \log \mu} = \frac{\beta(\lambda)}{\lambda} \neq 0$$

$$\downarrow \mu \rightarrow \chi$$

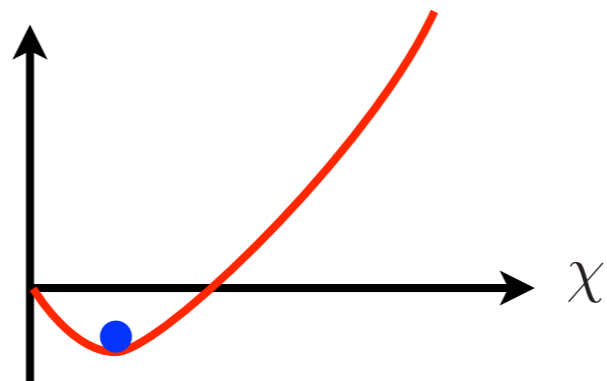
$$V(\chi) = \chi^4 F(\lambda(\chi))$$

$$F(\lambda(\chi)) = a_0 + \sum_n a_n \lambda^n(\chi)$$

Quartic gets dependence on running coupling.

“Running” potential

Coleman, Weinberg '73



The dilaton effectively scans the landscape of quartics.

Minimum and dilaton mass

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Dimensional Transmutation

$$\lambda(\mu) = \lambda_0 \left(\frac{\mu_0}{\mu} \right)^{\beta/\lambda} \quad \mu \rightarrow \chi$$

$$\lambda(f) \sim \sqrt{a_0}$$

$$f \sim \mu_0 \left(\frac{\lambda_0}{\sqrt{a_0}} \right)^{\lambda/\beta}$$

A hierarchy has been generated!

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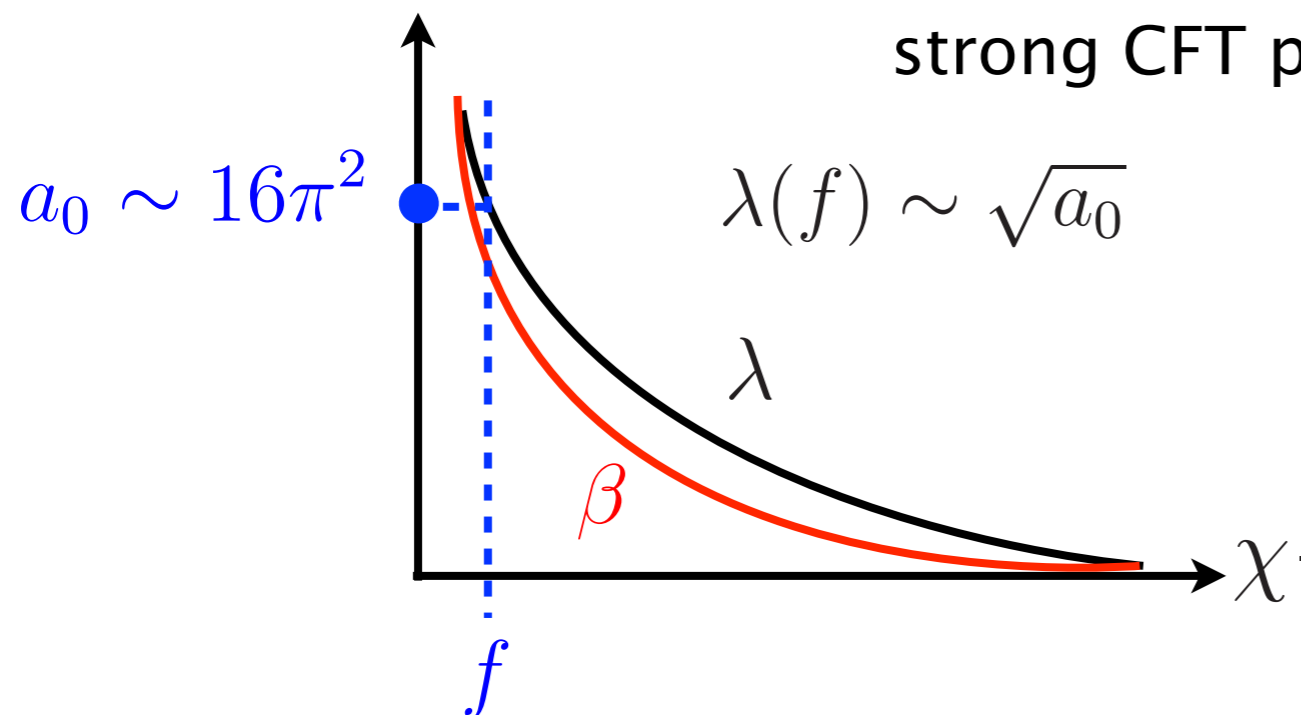
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Generically there is NO small explicit breaking at f !

F is the vacuum energy (CC) in units of f : $F(f) \sim a_0 \sim \frac{\Lambda^4}{16\pi^2 f^4} \sim 16\pi^2$

QCD-like

strong CFT perturbation



$$m_d^2 \sim 16\pi^2 f^2 \sim \Lambda^2$$

*NO remnant of scaling symmetry
NO dilaton in QCD-like theories*

Holdom, Terning '88

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We can get small explicit breaking at f by tuning

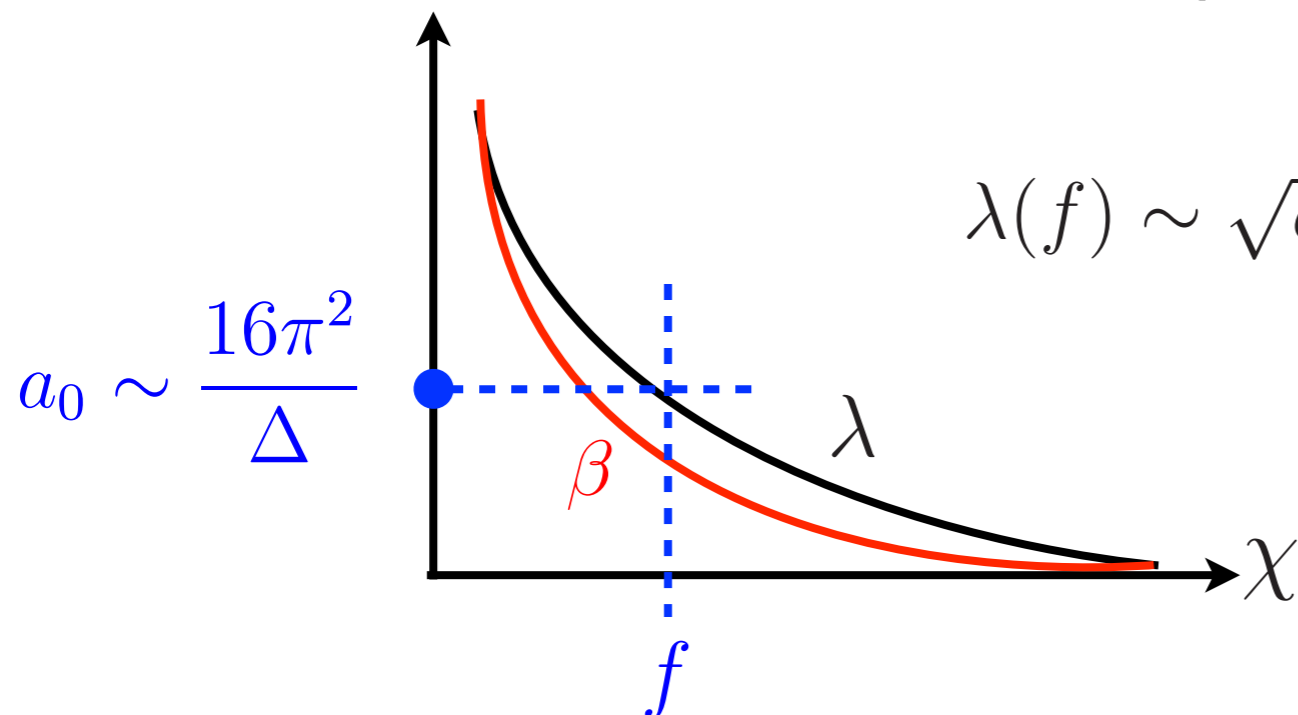
Start with small vacuum energy \sim flat direction.

tuned-QCD-like

weak CFT perturbation

Randall, Sundrum '99

Goldberger, Wise '99



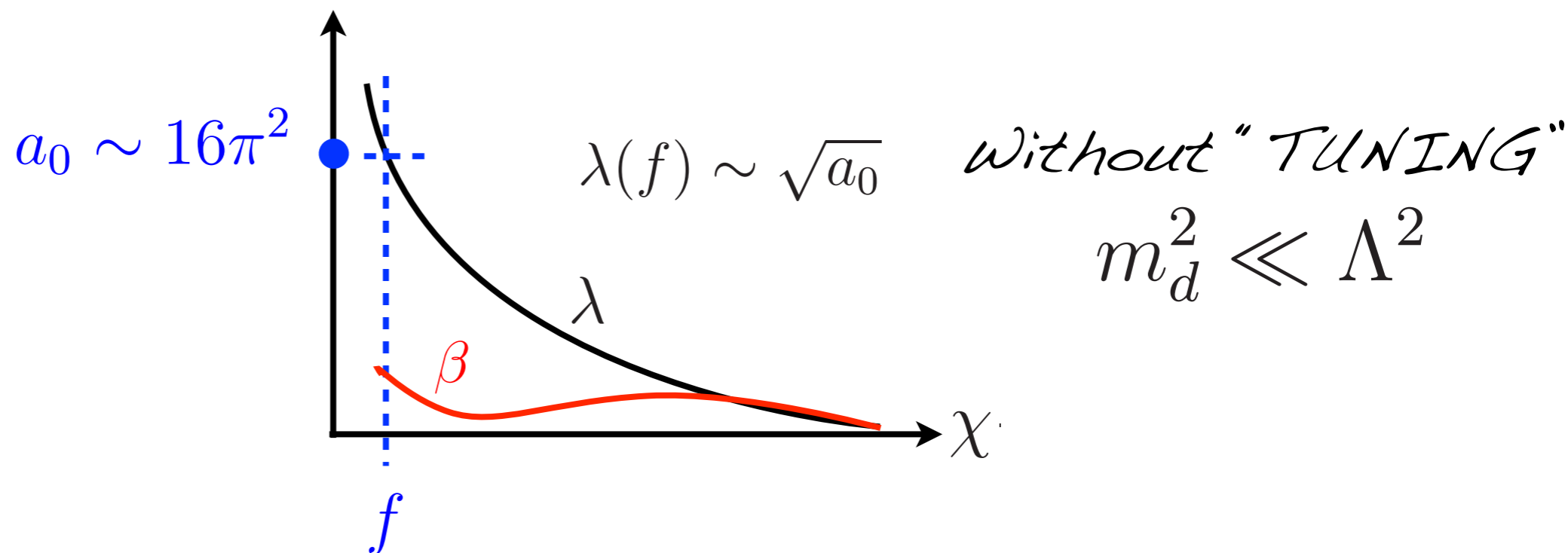
With TUNING: $\Delta \gtrsim \frac{\Lambda}{m_d}$

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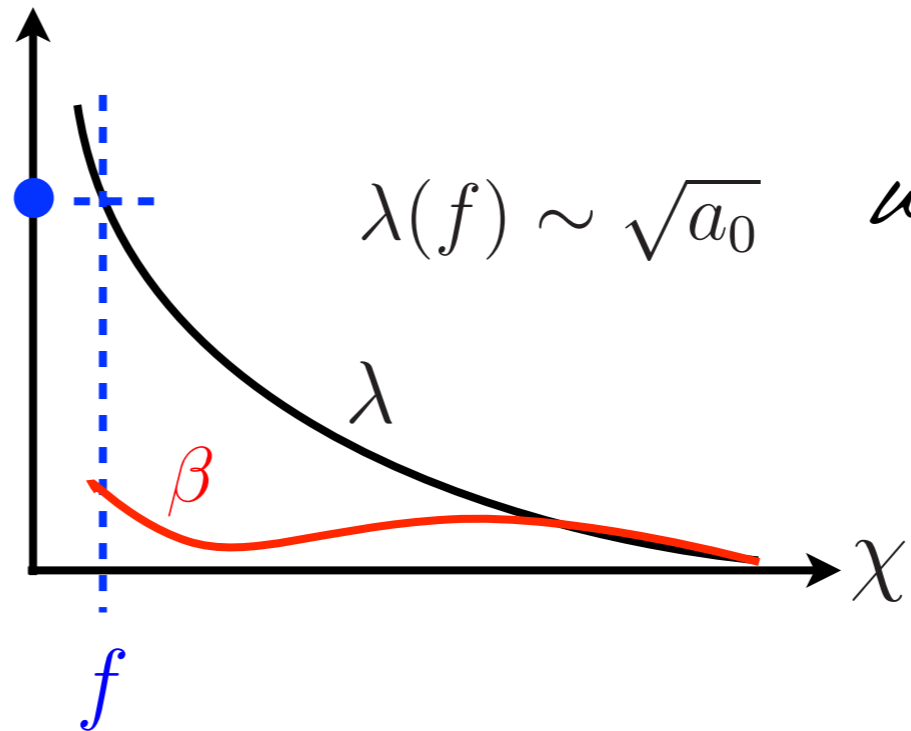
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An Extra-D Computable Example

An amazing conjecture

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Maldacena '97

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that allows us to get predictions for strongly coupled theories

$$g_{\text{YM}}^2 N \gg 1$$

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weakly coupled
5D gravity
AdS₅



strongly coupled
4D CFT
CFT₄

$$\text{AdS}_5 \longleftrightarrow \text{CFT}_4$$

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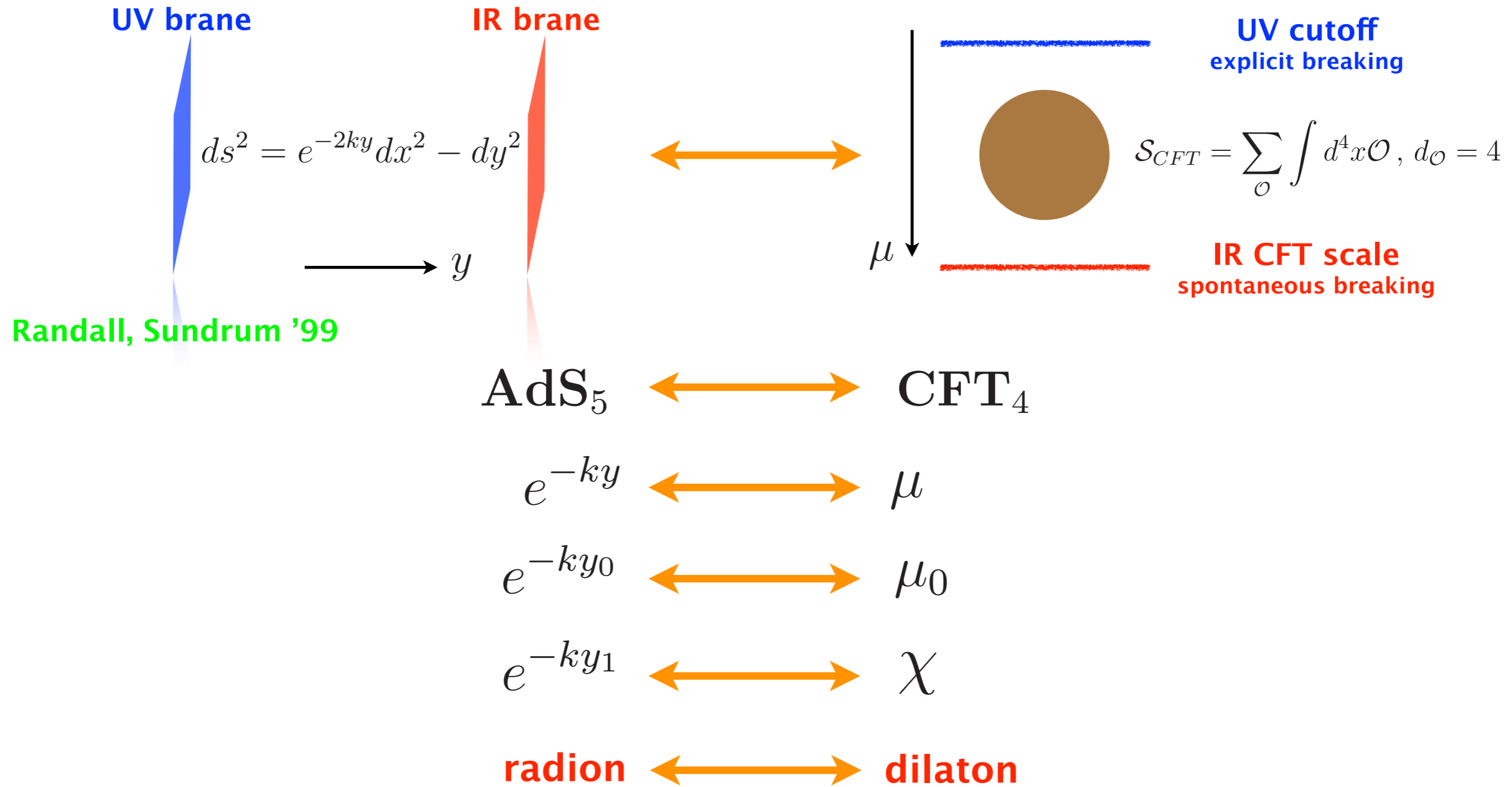
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This correspondence has found many applications:

- ◆ Quantum gravity
- ◆ Electroweak hierarchy problem
- ◆ Quark–gluon plasma
- ◆ Superconductors, superfluids

and still offers many avenues for investigation.

Randall & Sundrum solved a hierarchy problem with a slice of AdS



The brane separation (hierarchy of scales) is fixed by χ .

5D gravitational action

$$S = - \int_{y=y_0} dx^4 \sqrt{g_0} \Lambda_0 - \int \sqrt{g} \left(\frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \mathcal{R} + \Lambda_{(5)} \right) - \int_{y=y_1} dx^4 \sqrt{g_1} \Lambda_1$$

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2 TUNINGS! Vanishing cosmological constant and dilaton flat direction.

Raman-Sundrum and followers tuned brane tension.

Brane distance is free.

This solution is not stable under perturbations.

Csaki, Graesser, Kolda, Terning '99

Explicit breaking perturbation in AdS/CFT

$$S = \int d^5x \sqrt{g} \left(-\frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \mathcal{R} + \frac{1}{2} g^{MN} \partial_M \phi \partial_N \phi - V(\phi) \right) - \int d^4x \sqrt{g_0} V_0(\phi) - \int d^4x \sqrt{g_1} V_1(\phi)$$

AdS₅ \longleftrightarrow **CFT₄**

radion \longleftrightarrow **dilaton**

$V(\phi) = \Lambda_{(5)}$ ϕ \longleftrightarrow \mathcal{O} **exactly marginal**

$V'(\phi) = dV/d\phi$ \longleftrightarrow $\beta(\lambda) = d\lambda/d \log \mu$ **running**

$(\partial\phi)|_{y=y_0} = 0$ $\phi|_{y=y_0}$ \longleftrightarrow λ_0

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{CFT} + \lambda \mathcal{O}$$

A simple example, scalar with bulk mass

$$V(\phi) = \Lambda_{(5)} + m^2 \phi^2$$

Scaling dimension of operator:

$$d_{\mathcal{O}} = 2 + \sqrt{4 + m^2/k^2}$$

Scalar solution of E.O.M. in RS:

$$\phi(y) = \underbrace{\phi_0 e^{-ky(4-d_{\mathcal{O}})}}_{\text{running}} + \underbrace{\phi_1 e^{-kyd_{\mathcal{O}}}}_{\text{condensate}}$$

$$\frac{d\lambda}{d \log \mu} \equiv \beta(\lambda) = (4 - d_{\mathcal{O}})\lambda$$

$$\phi_0 = \lim_{\mu_0 \rightarrow \infty} \mu_0^{4-d_{\mathcal{O}}} \lambda_0$$

$$\phi_1 = \frac{\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle}{2d_{\mathcal{O}} - 4}$$

The more general stabilized RS is this:

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UV brane

$$ds^2 = e^{-2A(y)} dx^2 - dy^2$$

IR brane

→ y

flat metric ansatz

good approximation

bulk E.O.M.

$$\begin{aligned} 4A'^2 - A'' &= -\frac{2\kappa^2}{3} V(\phi) \\ A'^2 &= \frac{\kappa^2 \phi'^2}{12} - \frac{\kappa^2}{6} V(\phi) \\ \phi'' &= 4A'\phi' + \frac{\partial V}{\partial \phi}. \end{aligned}$$

boundary conditions

$$\begin{aligned} 2A'|_{y=y_0, y_1} &= \pm \frac{\kappa^2}{3} V_{0,1}(\phi)|_{y=y_0, y_1} \\ 2\phi'|_{y=y_0, y_1} &= \pm \frac{\partial V_{0,1}}{\partial \phi} |_{y=y_0, y_1}, \end{aligned}$$

We derived the effective potential integrating over the extra-d

$$\int_{y_0}^{y_1} dy \mathcal{L}_{bulk} + \mathcal{L}_{boundary}(y_{0,1})$$



$$V_{eff} = V_{UV} + V_{IR}$$

$$V_{UV/IR} = e^{-4A(y_{0,1})} \left[V_{0,1}(\phi(y_{0,1})) \mp \frac{6}{\kappa^2} A'(y_{0,1}) \right]$$

Useful identification:

$$e^{-A(y_0)} \longleftrightarrow \mu_0$$
$$e^{-A(y_1)} \longleftrightarrow \chi$$

We obtain just what we expected, again.

$$V_{UV} = \mu_0^4 F(\lambda(\mu_0)) \quad V_{IR} = \chi^4 F(\lambda(\chi))$$

UV vacuum energy

$$V_{UV} = \mu_0^4 \left[\Lambda_0 + \frac{\Lambda_{(5)}}{k} \right]$$

Modulated, slowly running, dilaton quartic, *with no TUNING!*

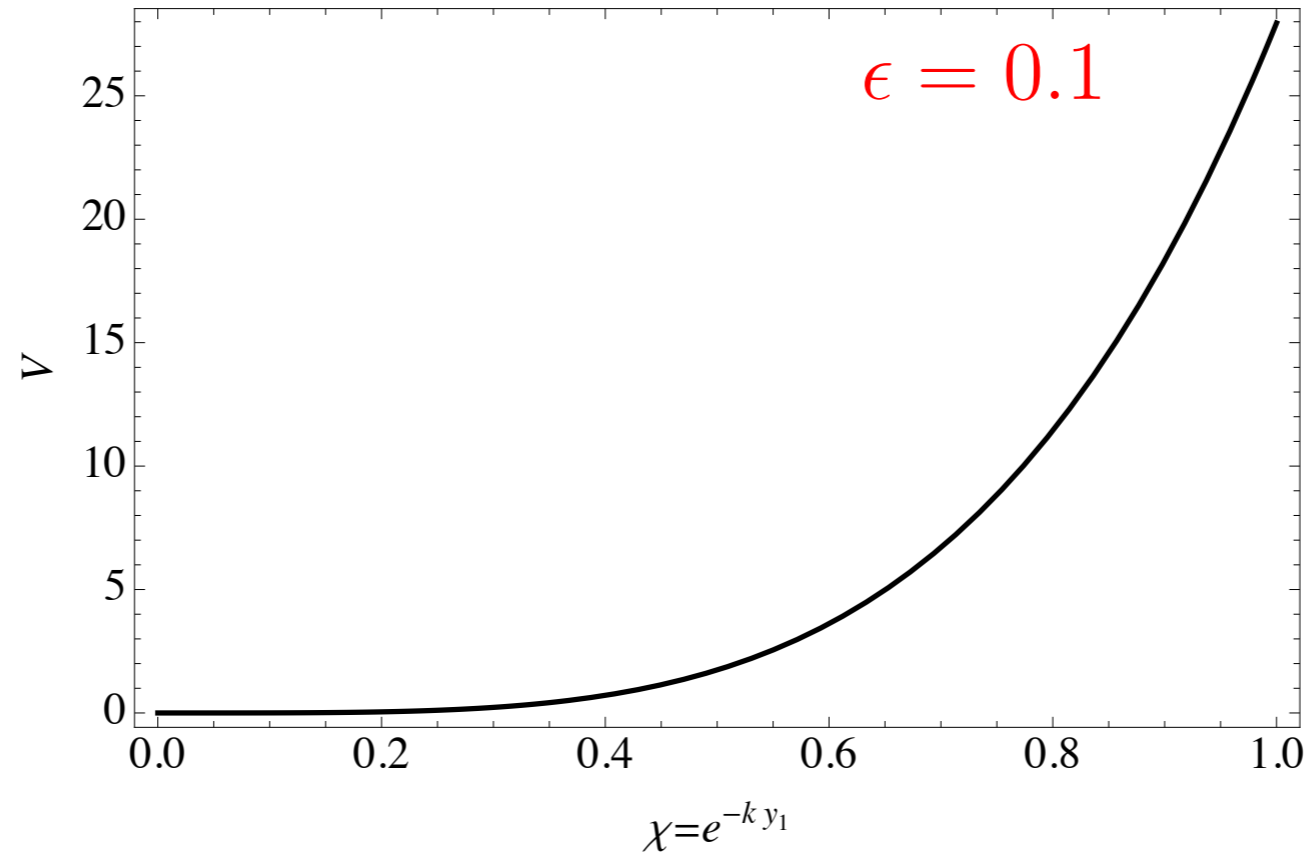
$$V_{IR} = \chi^4 \left[\Lambda_1 - \frac{\Lambda_{(5)}}{k} \cosh \left(\frac{2\kappa}{\sqrt{3}} (v_1 - v_0 (\mu_0/\chi)^\epsilon) \right) \right]$$

$$m^2 = -2\epsilon k^2 \quad \epsilon \ll 1 \quad d_0 \approx 4 - \epsilon$$

As announced in the 4D effective Lagrangian analysis, this potential yields a large hierarchy, a light dilaton, and a small cosmological constant

NATURAL & CORRELATED

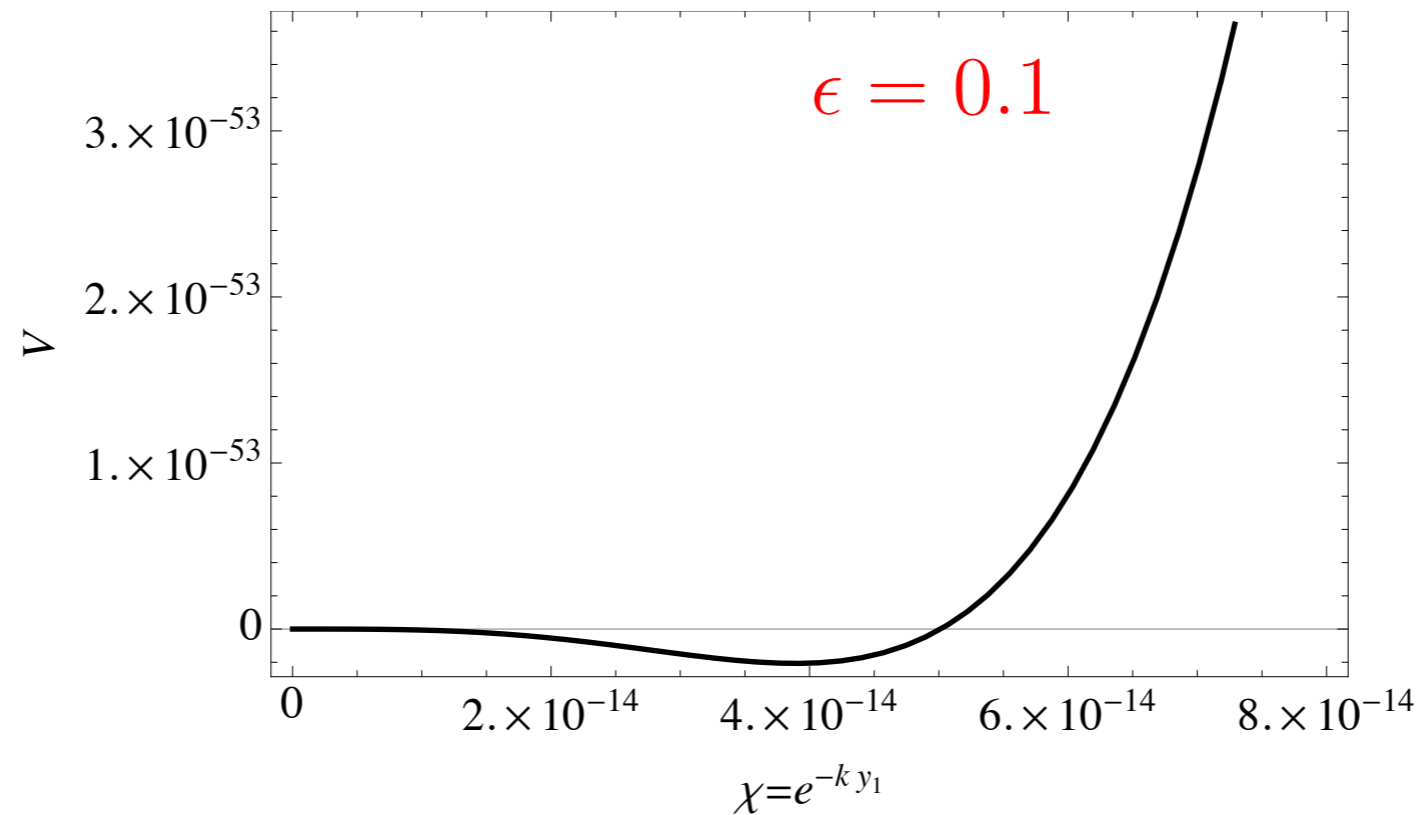
The large hierarchy



$$\langle \chi \rangle = f \quad \frac{f}{\mu_0} = \left(\frac{v_0}{v_1 - \text{sign}(\epsilon) \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2\kappa} \text{arcsech}(\Lambda_{(5)}/k\Lambda_1)} \right)^{1/\epsilon}$$

Thanks to slow running for long time.

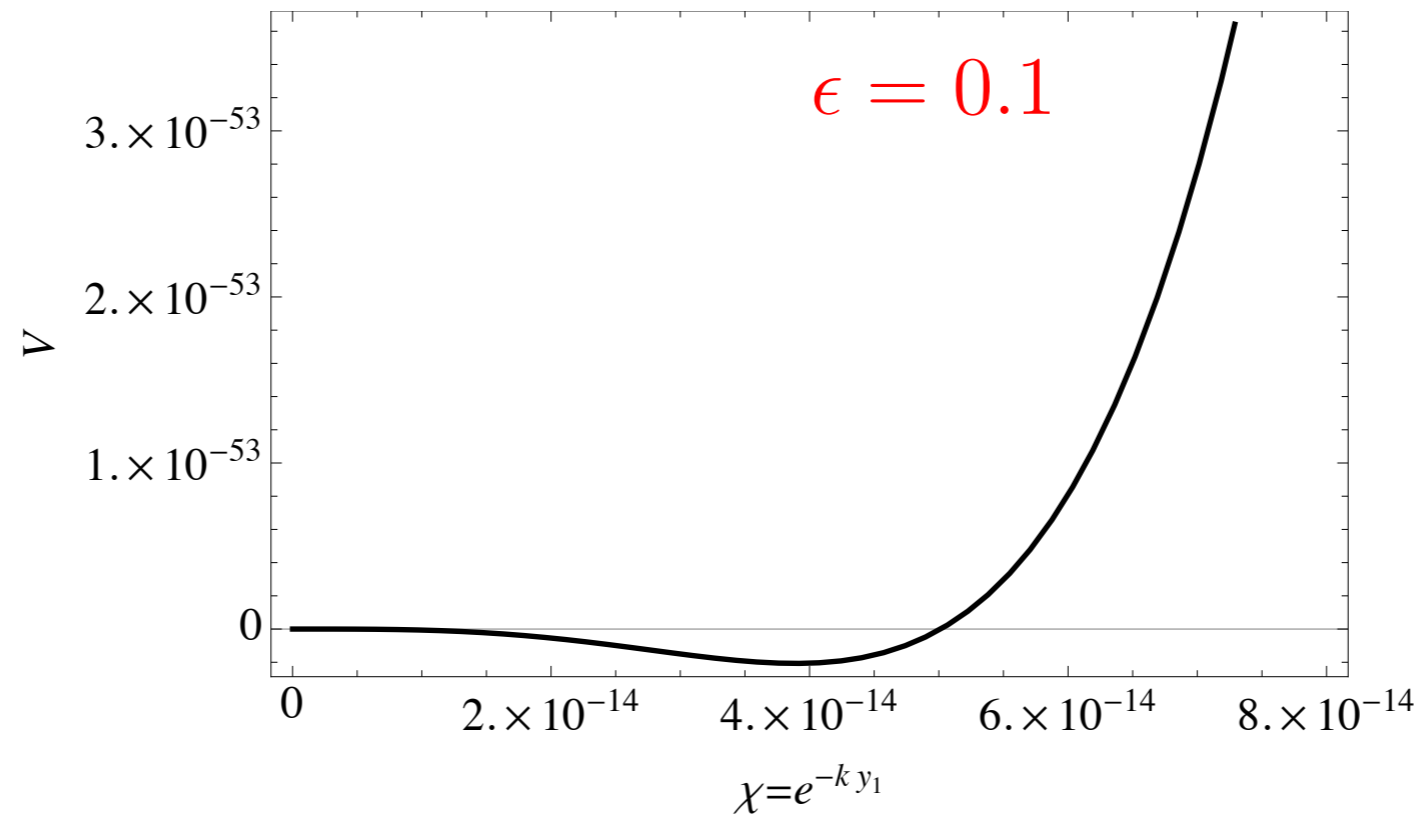
The light dilaton



$$m_{\chi}^2 \sim \epsilon \frac{32\sqrt{3}kv_0}{\kappa} \tanh\left(\frac{\kappa}{\sqrt{3}}(v_1 - v_0(\mu_0/f)^\epsilon)\right) f^2(\mu_0/f)^\epsilon$$

Thanks to slow running at the minimum.

The small cosmological constant



$$V_{IR}^{min} = -\epsilon \frac{2\sqrt{3}k v_0}{\kappa} \tanh \left(\frac{\kappa}{\sqrt{3}} (v_1 - v_0 (\mu_0/f)^\epsilon) \right) f^4 (\mu_0/f)^\epsilon$$

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1) Small CC and light dilaton signal the **approximate scale invariance** at the condensation scale:

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Change the bulk potential, change the running.

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4) **UV contribution** to the CC?

Phenomenological Applications

1) A Higgs-like Dilaton

Why are particles (nearly) massless relative to Planckian scales? $v \ll M_p$

How is that things are big?

What protects the Higgs from getting a huge mass from quantum effects?

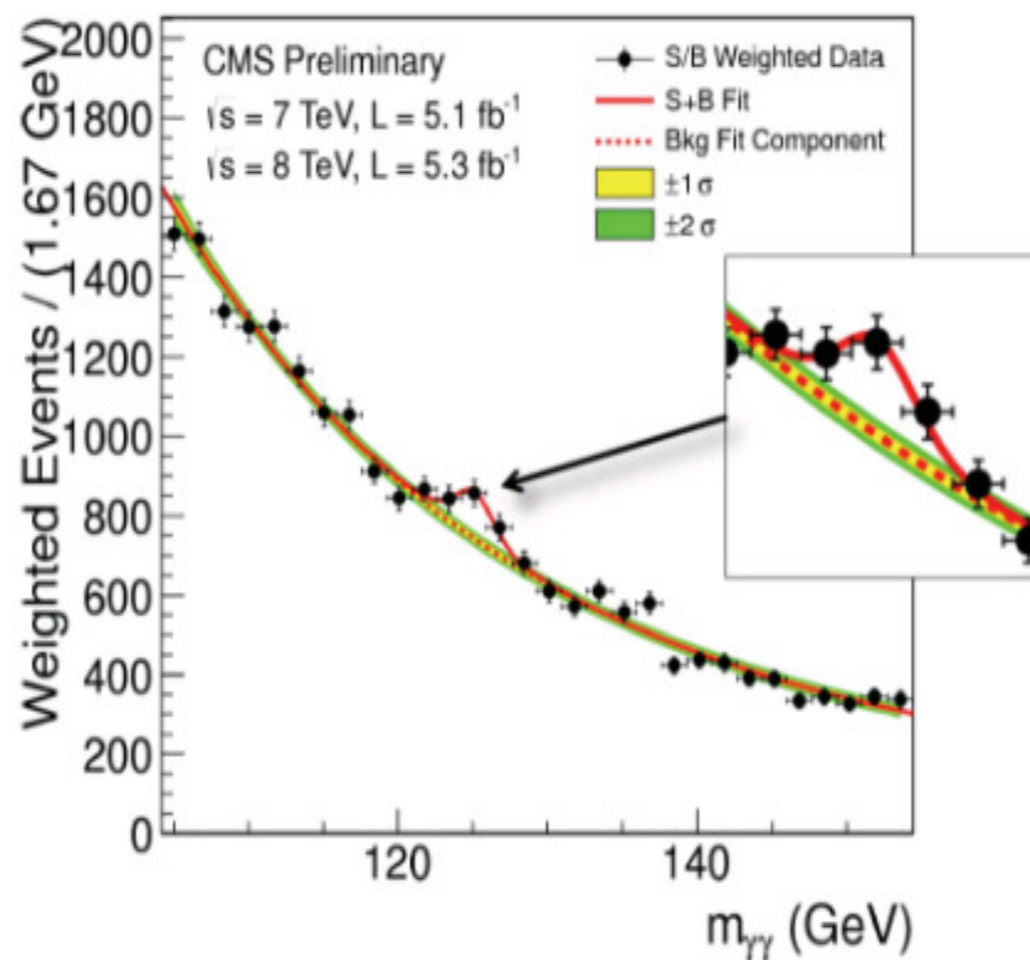


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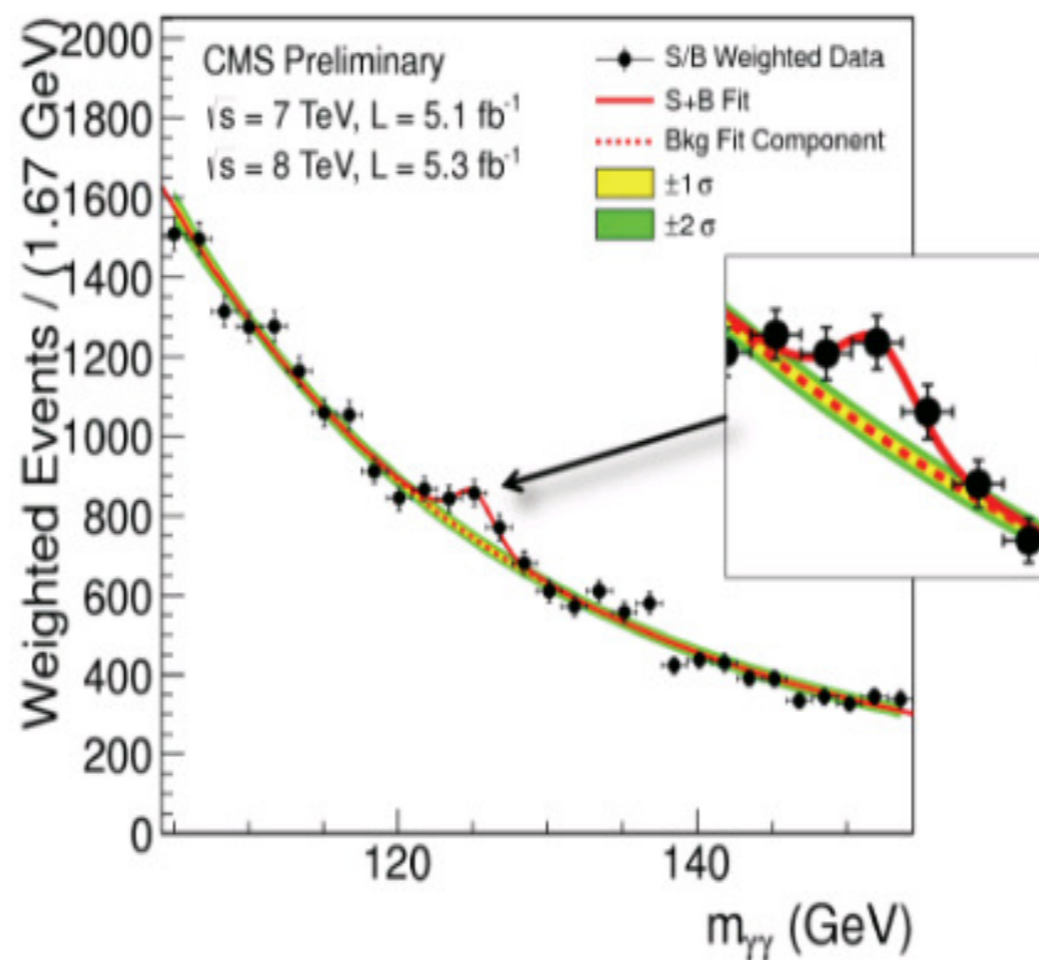


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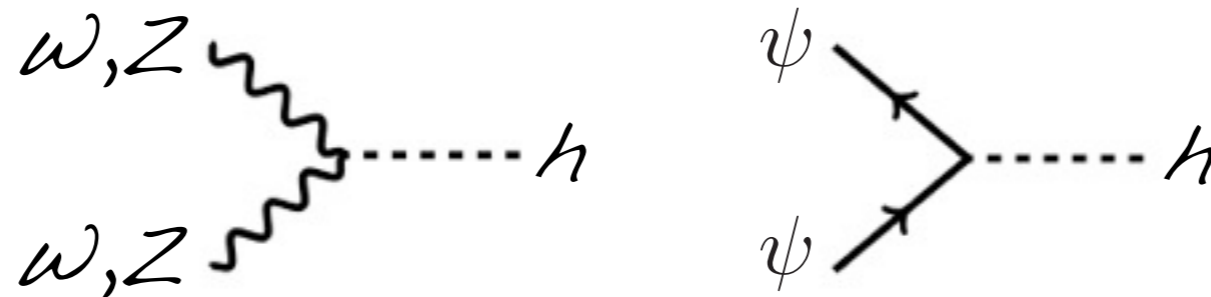
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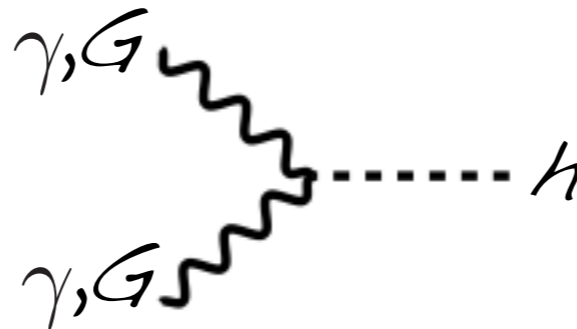
0-derivatives:

$$\mathcal{L}_{(0)} = \frac{h}{v} \left[c_V (2m_W^2 W_\mu^\dagger W^\mu + m_Z^2 Z_\mu Z^\mu) - c_t \sum_{\psi=u,c,t} m_\psi \bar{\psi} \psi - c_b \sum_{\psi=d,s,b} m_\psi \bar{\psi} \psi - c_\tau \sum_{\psi=e,\mu,\tau} m_\psi \bar{\psi} \psi \right]$$



2-derivatives:

$$\mathcal{L}_{(2)} = -\frac{h}{4v} \left[2c_{WW} W_{\mu\nu}^\dagger W^{\mu\nu} + c_{ZZ} Z_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu\nu} + 2c_{Z\gamma} A_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu\nu} + c_{\gamma\gamma} A_{\mu\nu} A^{\mu\nu} - c_{gg} G_{\mu\nu}^a G_{\mu\nu}^a \right]$$



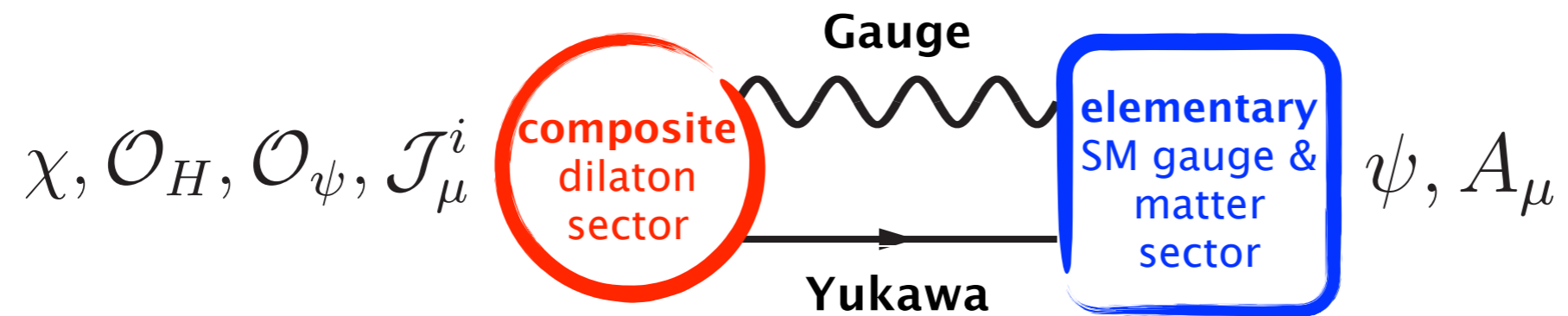
Standard Model

$$c_V = c_t = c_b = c_\tau = 1$$

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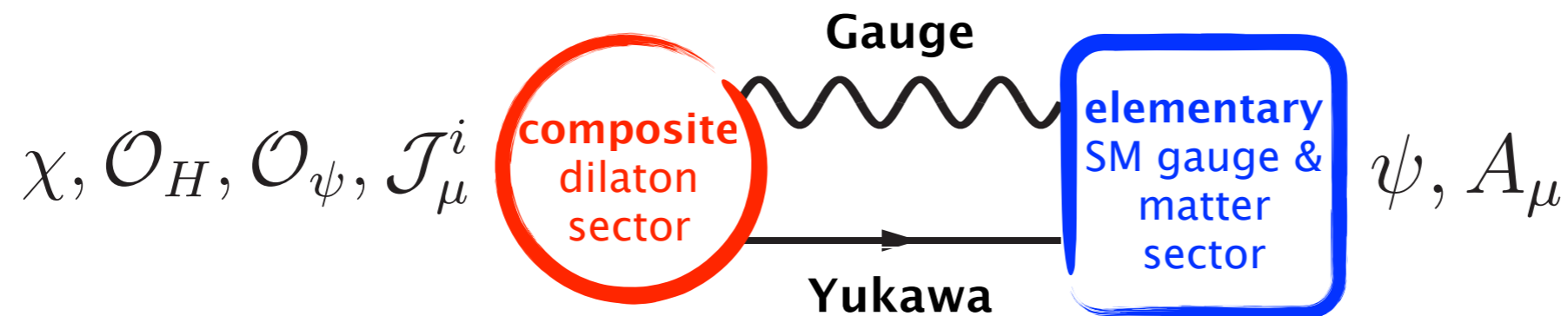
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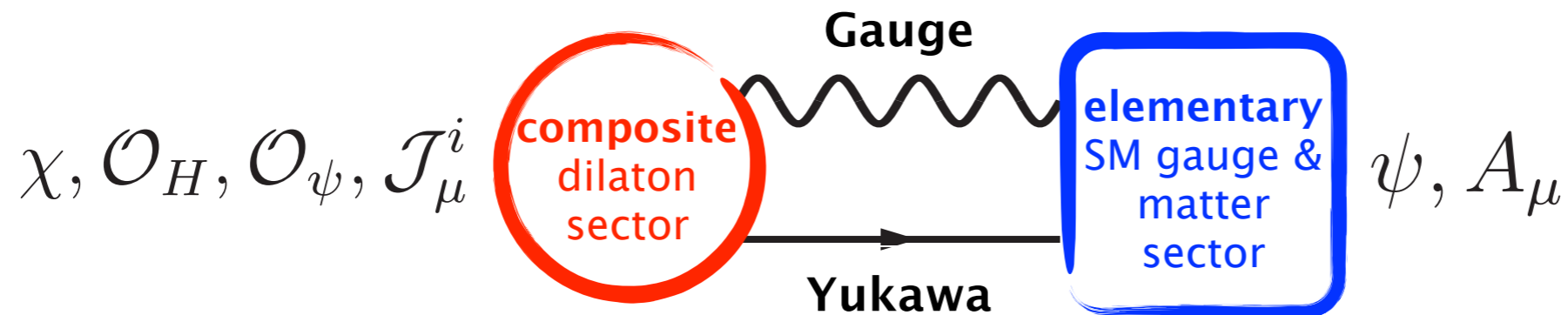
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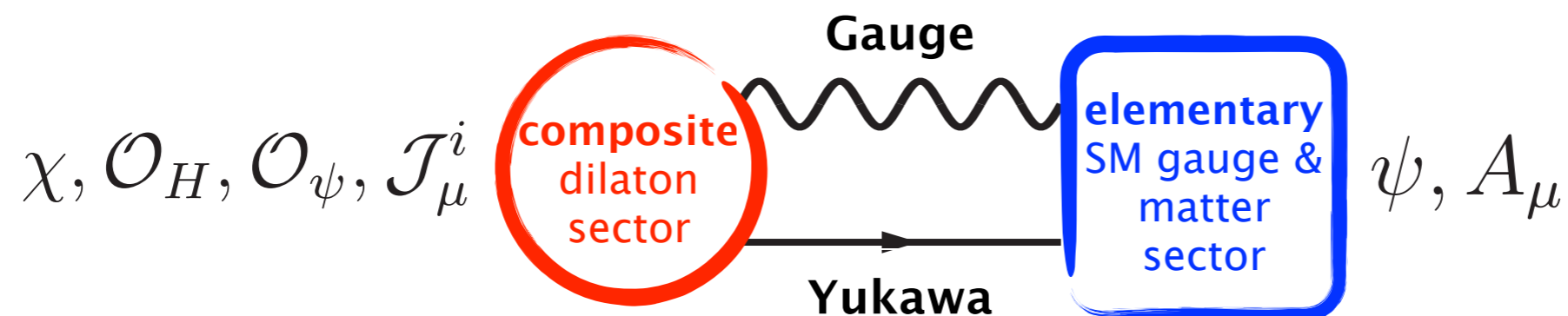
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$$\psi \mathcal{O}_\psi$$

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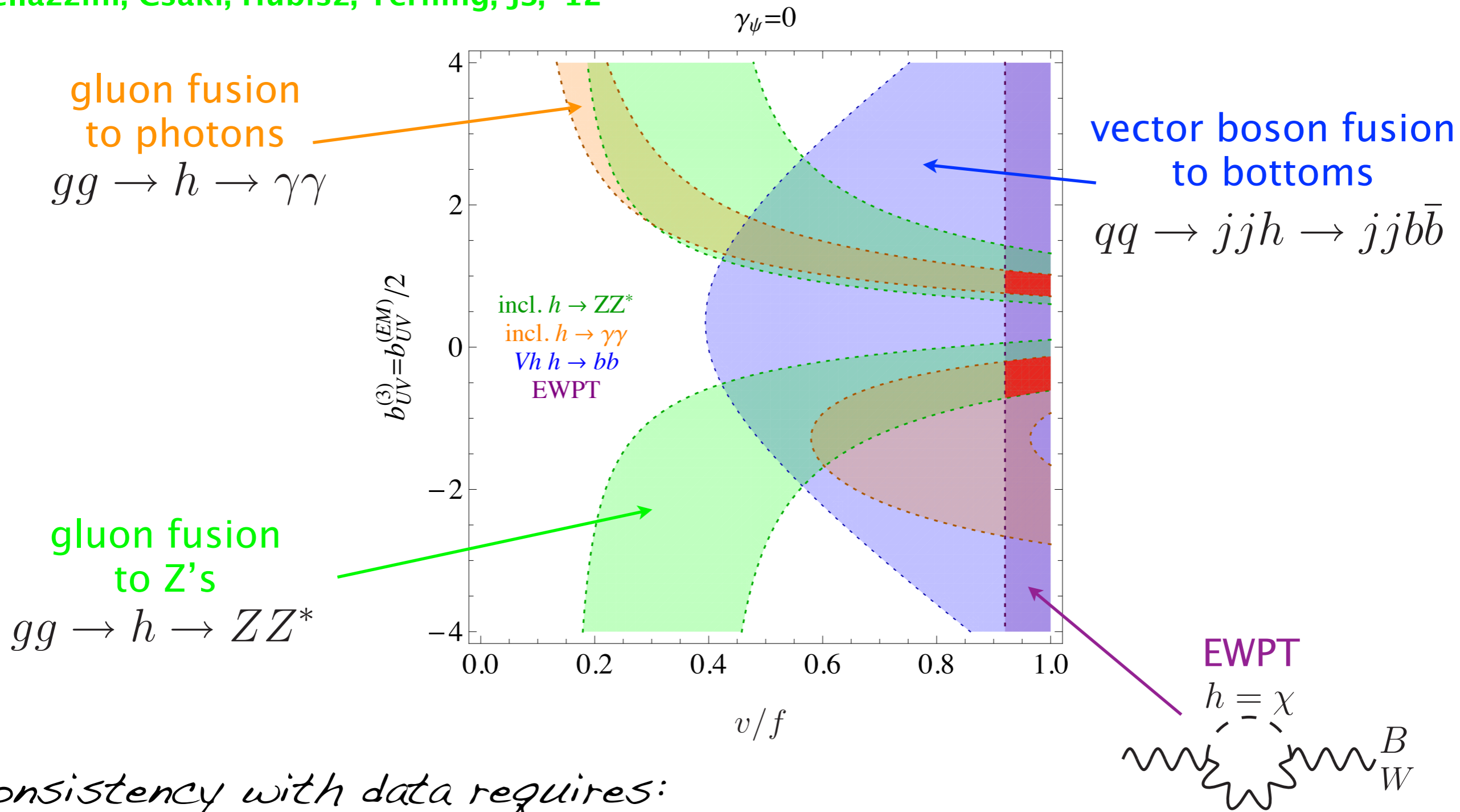
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Contrasting with Higgs Data

Bellazzini, Csaki, Hubisz, Terning, JS, '12



Consistency with data requires:

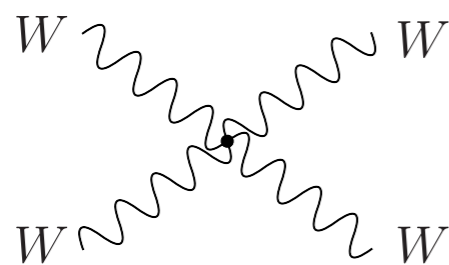
$$\frac{v}{f} \simeq 1$$

$$b^{(i)}, \gamma_f \lesssim O(1) \quad \text{consistent with } m_\chi \ll 4\pi f$$

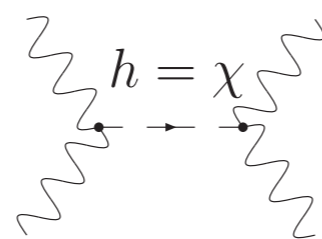
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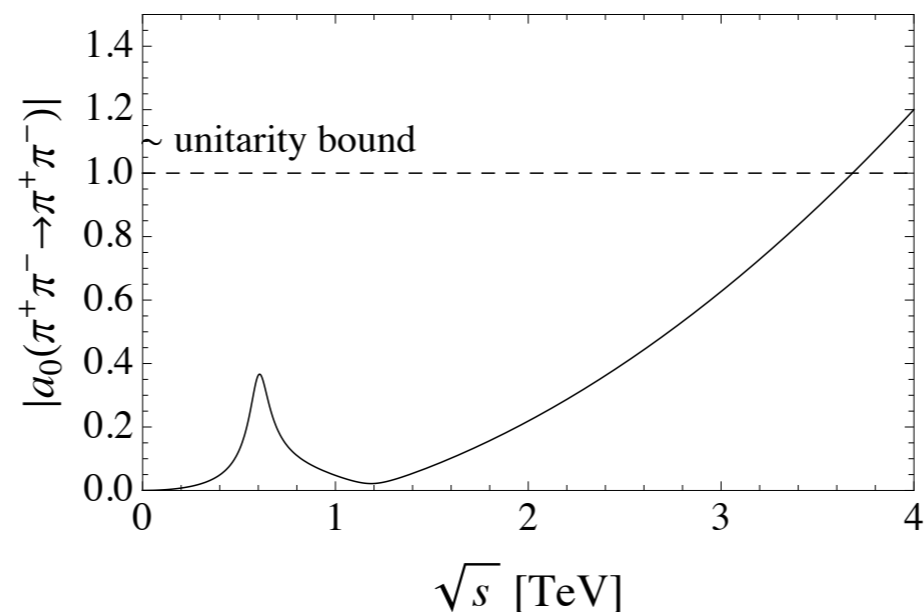
Partial unitarization only. There is a $O(s)$ growth



+



$$\mathcal{A}(s) \simeq \frac{s}{v^2} (1 - c_V^2) = s \frac{1 - v^2/f^2}{v^2}$$



Phenomenological Lagrangian

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$$\mathcal{L}_{(2)}^{h^2} = \frac{h^2}{v^2} \left[\frac{d_{gg}}{2} G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{\mu\nu a} + \dots \right]$$

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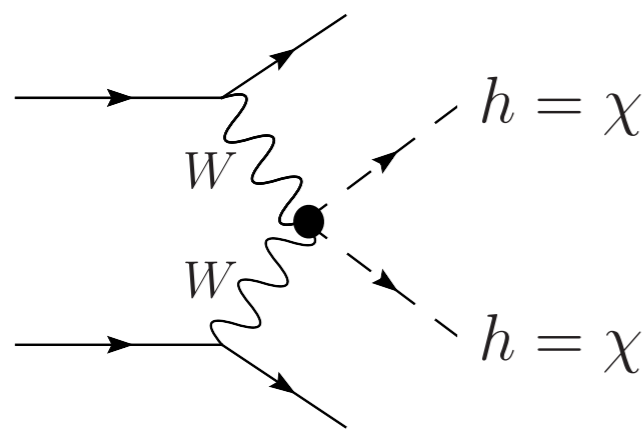
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WW to hh scattering

There is NO $O(s)$ growth, but $O(s^2)$!



$$\mathcal{A}(s) \simeq \frac{s}{v^2} (d_V - c_V^2) \simeq 0 + O(s^2/f^4)$$

$$\sqrt{d_V} = c_V = \frac{v}{f}$$

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in the dilaton
"chiral" Lagrangian

Differential feature w.r.t. composite Higgs:

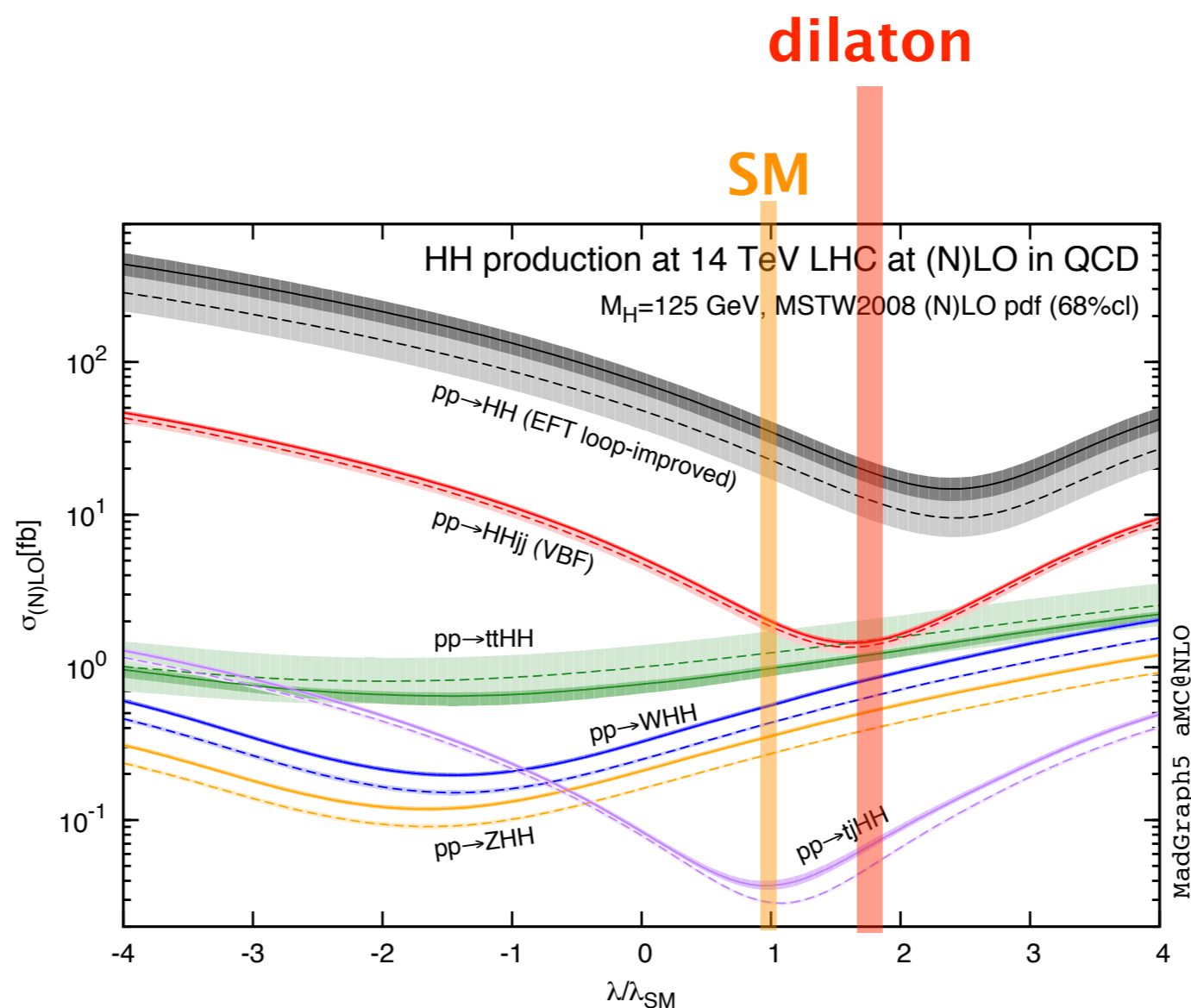
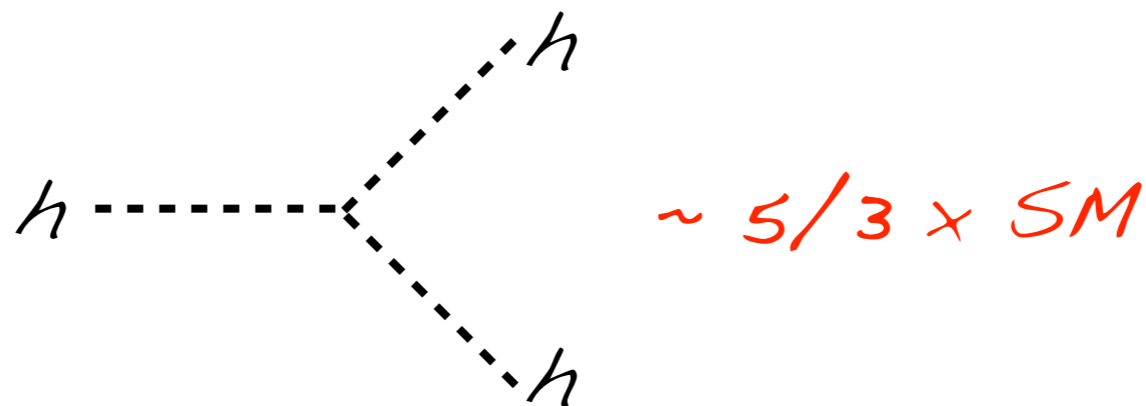
dilaton is NOT part of $SU(2)$ doublet

$$\mathcal{A}(WW \rightarrow WW) \neq \mathcal{A}(WW \rightarrow \chi\chi)$$

$$s \rightarrow \infty$$

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There is one differential feature w.r.t the SM Higgs even if $v/f \sim 1$ and no anomalous dimensions!



Frederix et al '14

Phenomenological Applications

2) Cosmological Phase

Transitions

There is one very important consequence of a true spontaneous breaking of scale invariance

$$\Lambda_{eff} = V(\langle\chi\rangle) \sim \epsilon \langle\chi\rangle^4 \quad m_\chi^2 \sim \epsilon \langle\chi\rangle^2$$

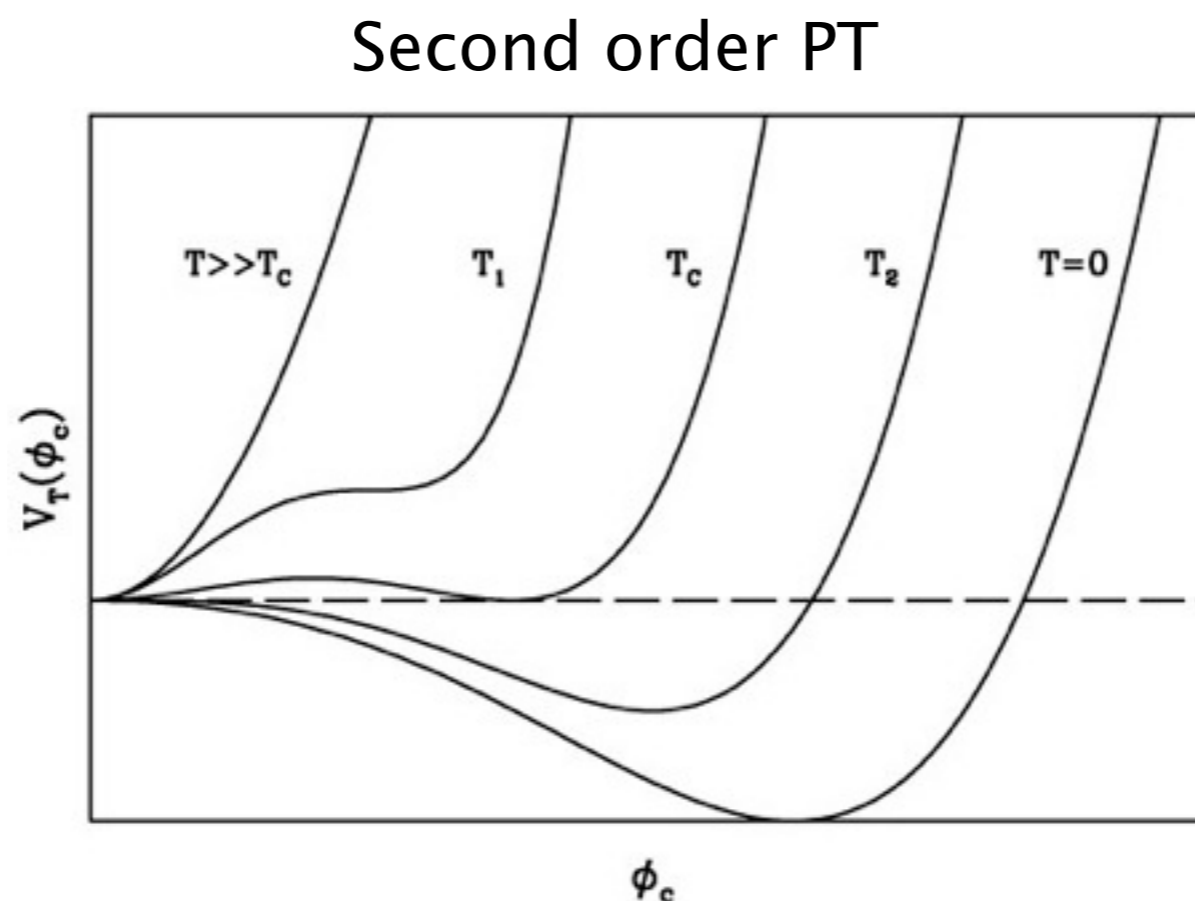
Could this occur in any of the known phase transitions?

This is a very speculative idea, but the next question per se is very interesting:

How can we learn anything about the CC?

Phase Transitions in the Early Universe

As the Universe expands, it cools off, and phase transitions take place (QCD, Electroweak,...)



Restoration of symmetry at high Temperature.

The energy densities change during PT's

Homogeneous & isotropic (flat) Universe

$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + a^2(t)dx_i^2$$

Einstein equations $G_{\mu\nu} = T_{\mu\nu}$

Assuming a perfect fluid: $T_{\nu}^{\mu} = \begin{pmatrix} \rho & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -p & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -p & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -p \end{pmatrix}$

$$\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{3}\rho$$

$$\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = -\frac{1}{6}(\rho + 3p)$$

Radiation domination

$$\rho(a) \sim a^{-4}$$

$$a(t) \sim t^{1/2}$$

Matter domination

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CC domination

$$\rho(a) \sim a^0$$

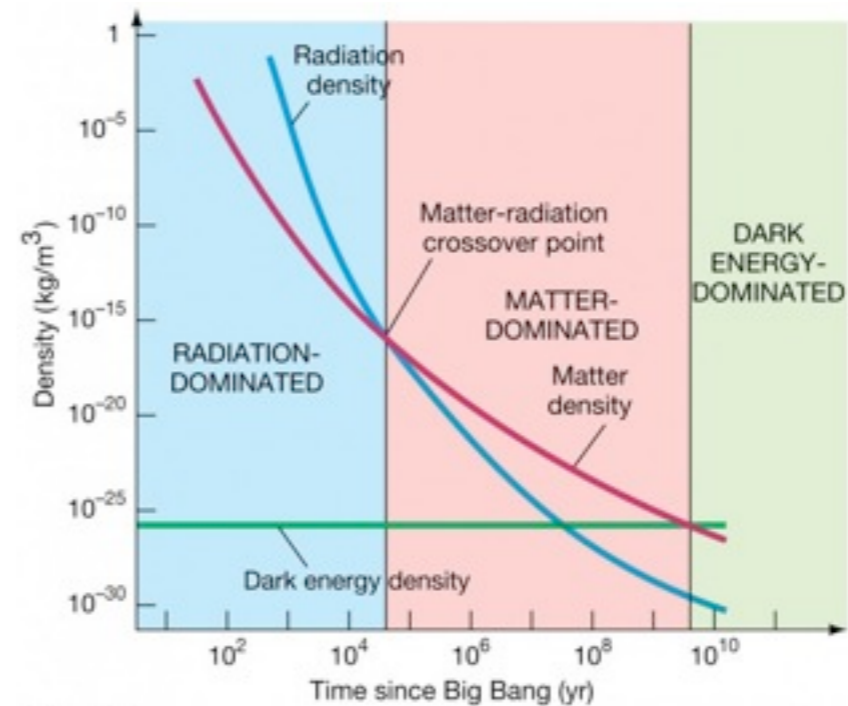
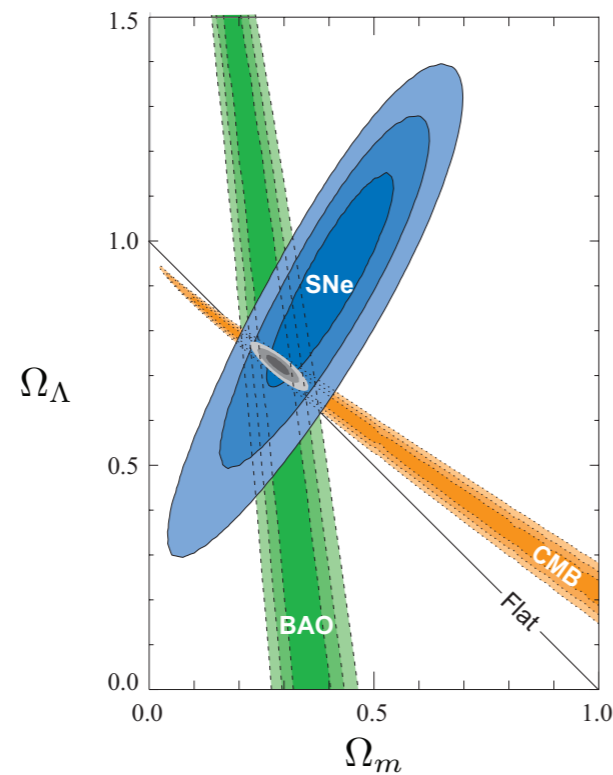
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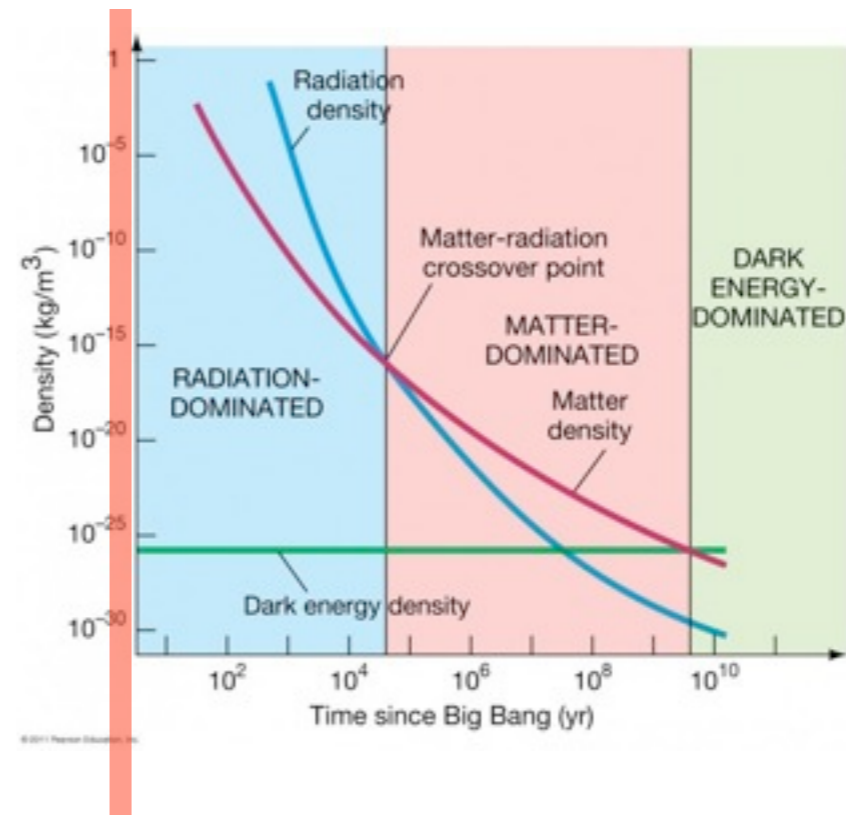
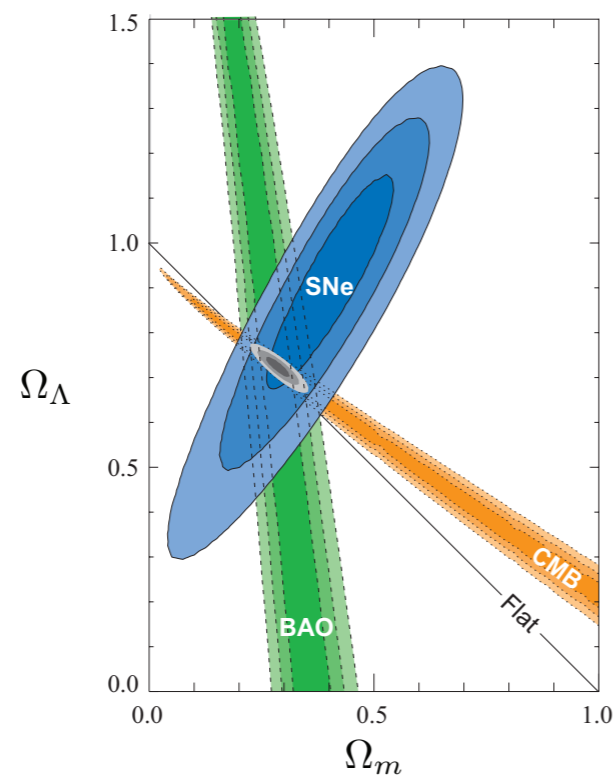


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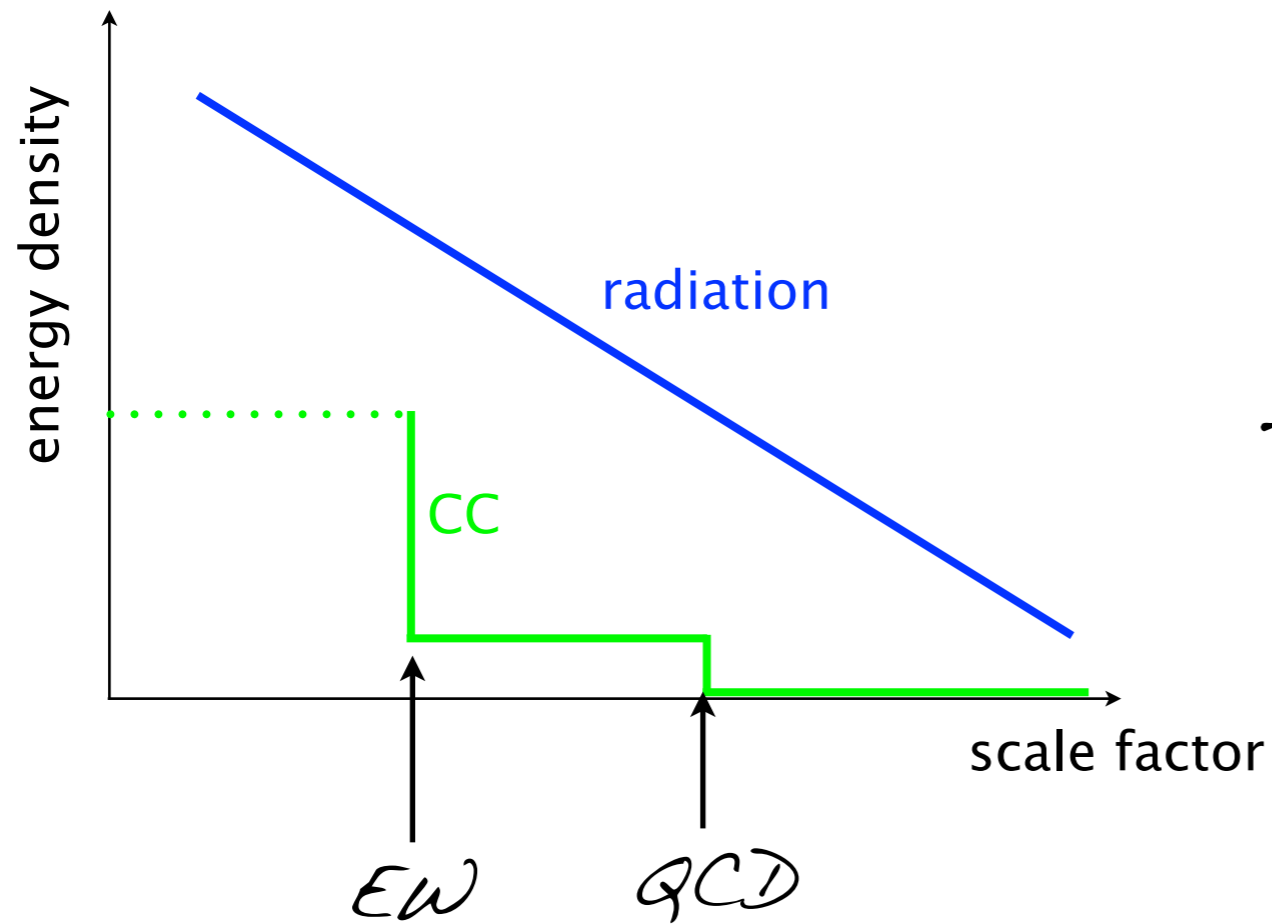
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But we are interested in what happens outside here!

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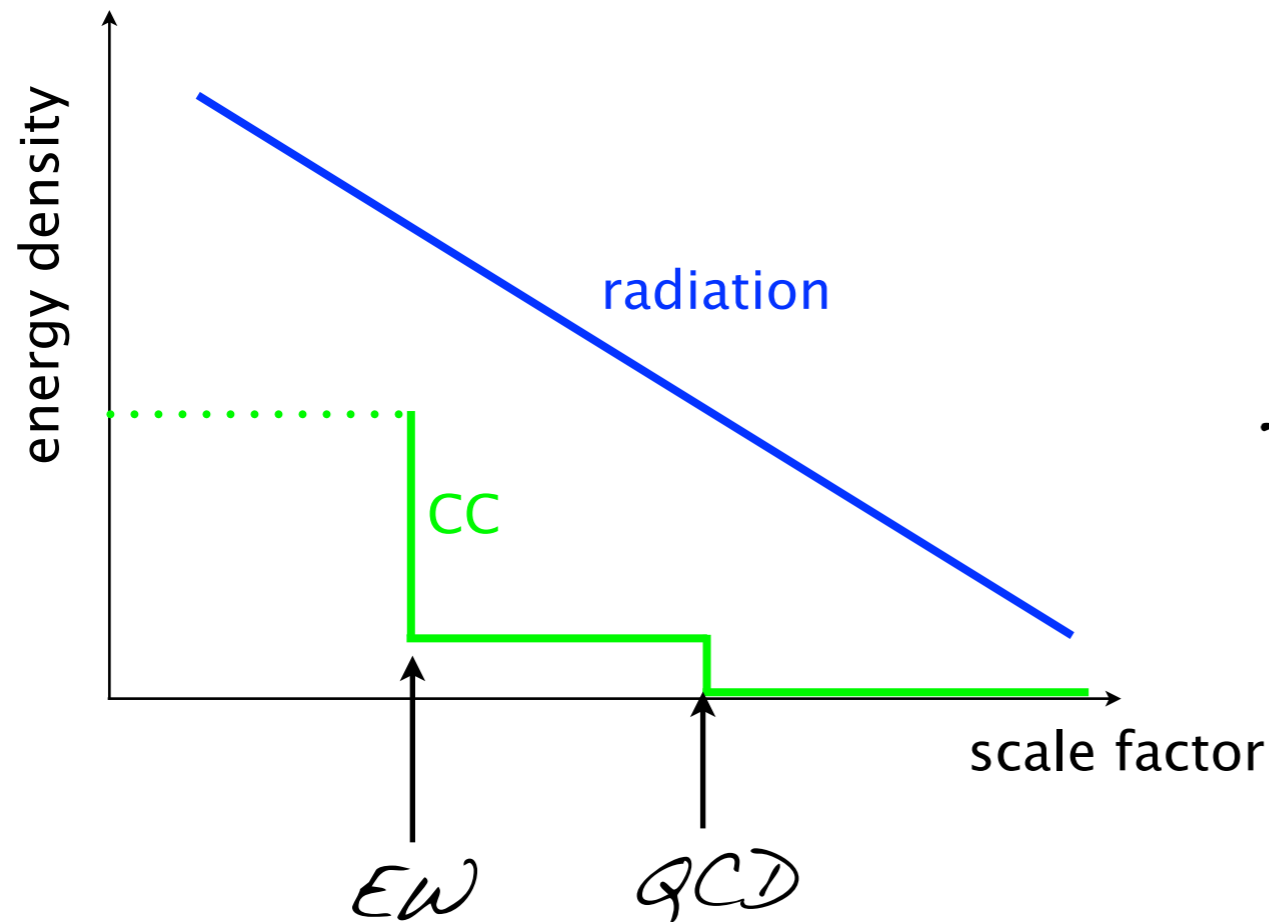
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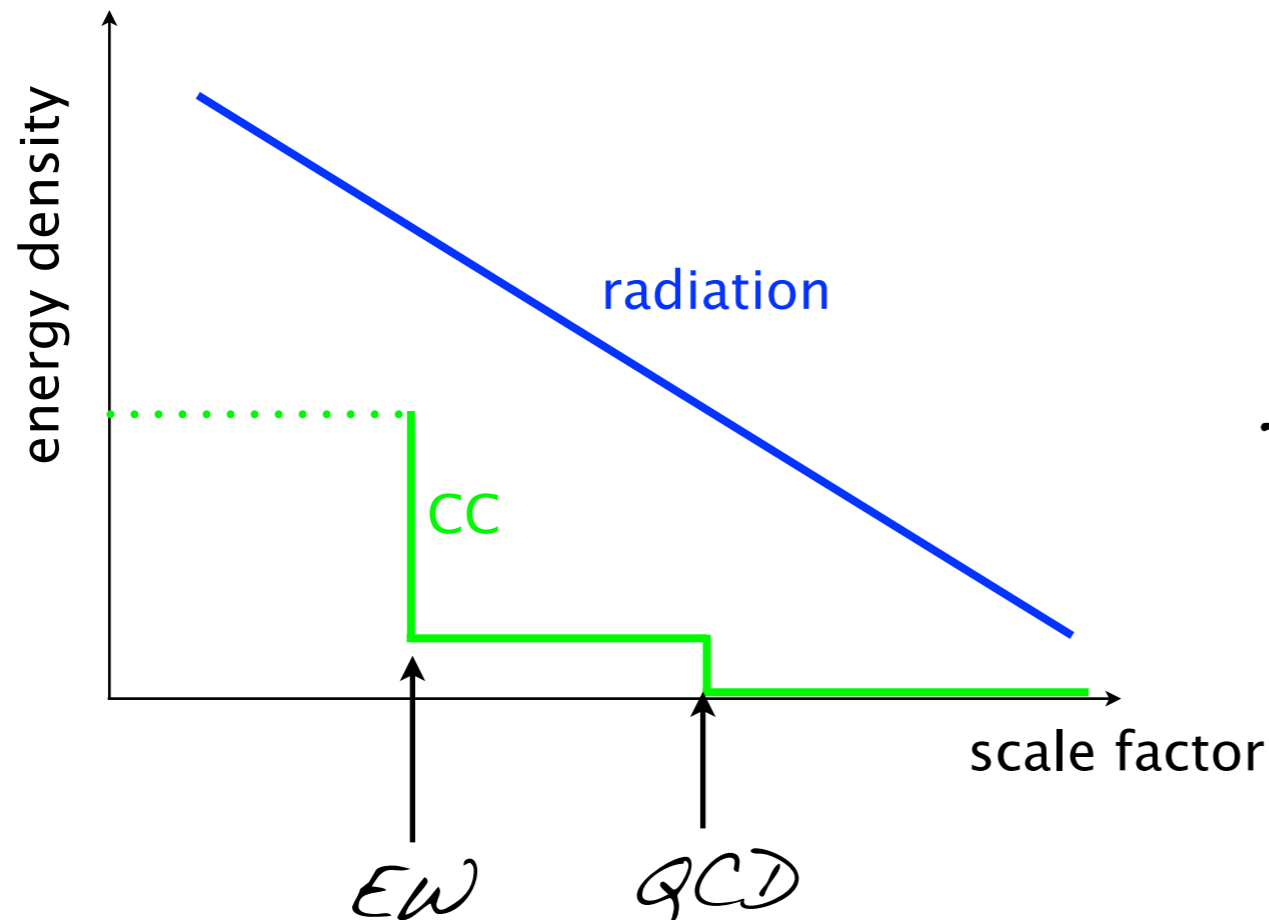
$$T_{PT} \sim -\langle\phi\rangle \sim \frac{m}{\sqrt{g}} \quad \text{and} \quad V(\langle\phi\rangle) \sim 0 \Rightarrow V_0 \sim \frac{m^4}{g}$$

At the PT, radiation and CC are closest

$$\rho_{cc} \sim V_0 \lesssim \rho_{radiation} \sim T_{PT}^4 \sim \frac{m^4}{g^2}$$

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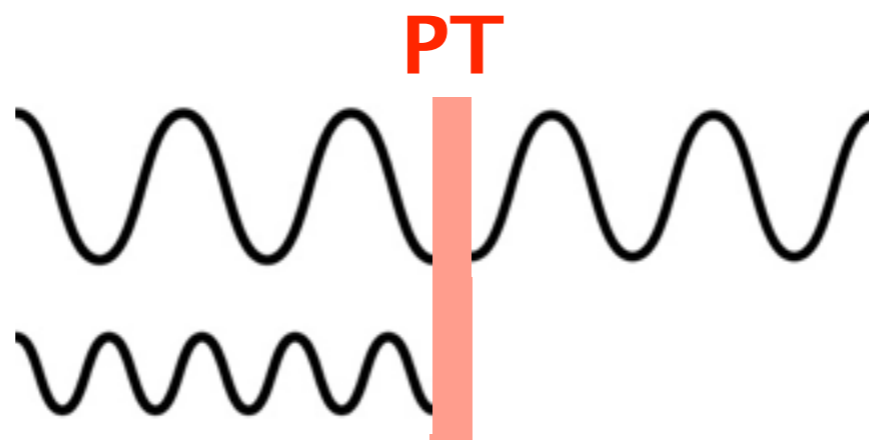
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How could we tell if there has been a jump or NOT?

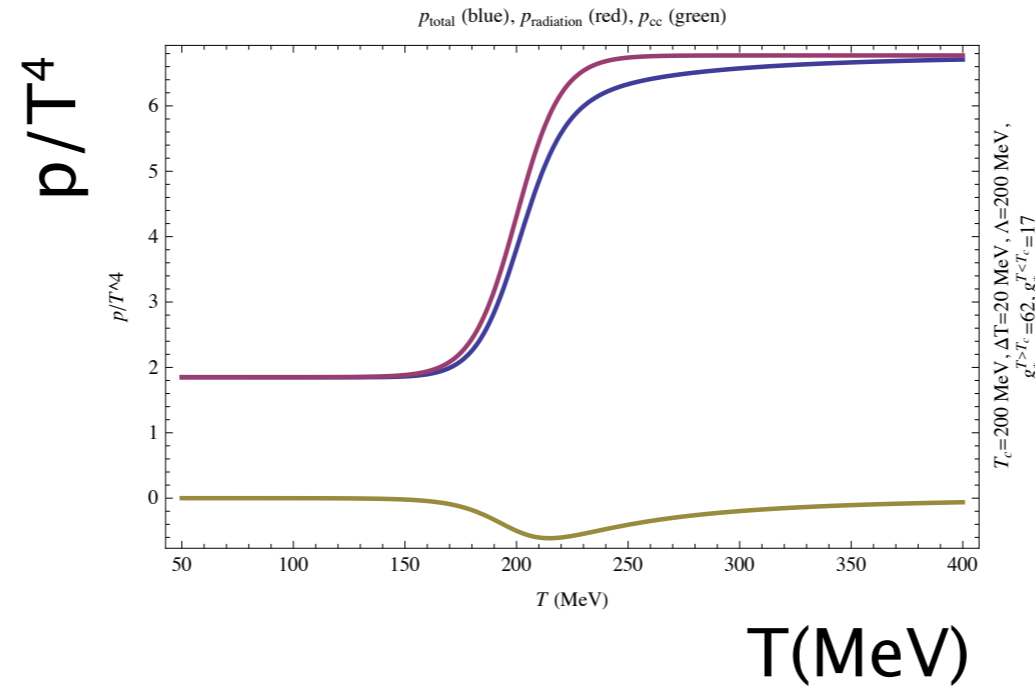
Certainly gravitational waves will be affected and will reach us later



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Matches well lattice simulations



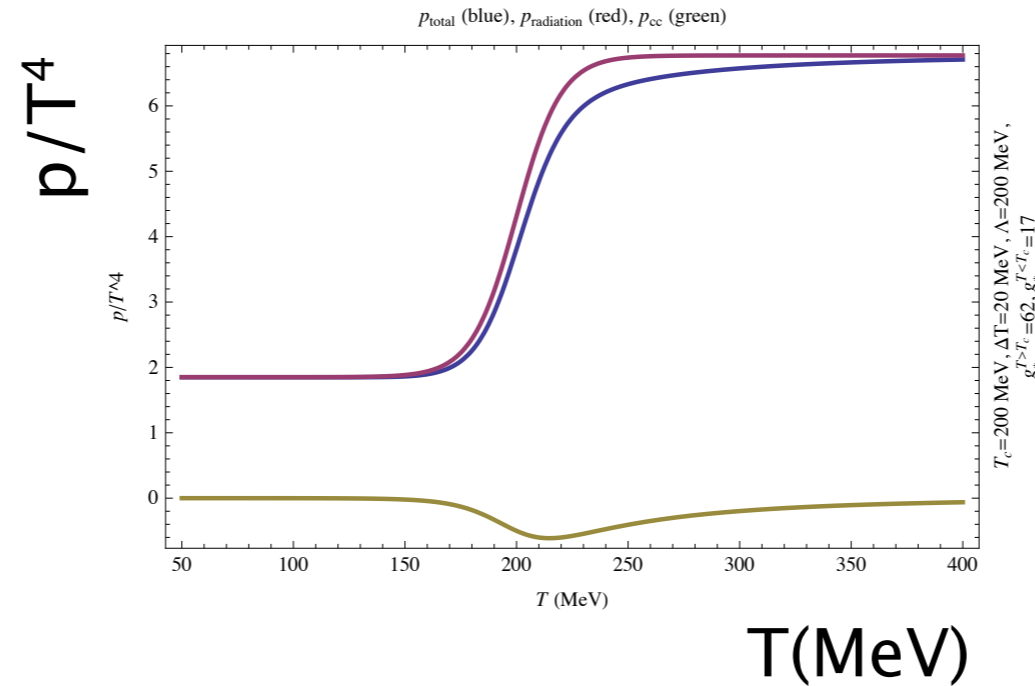
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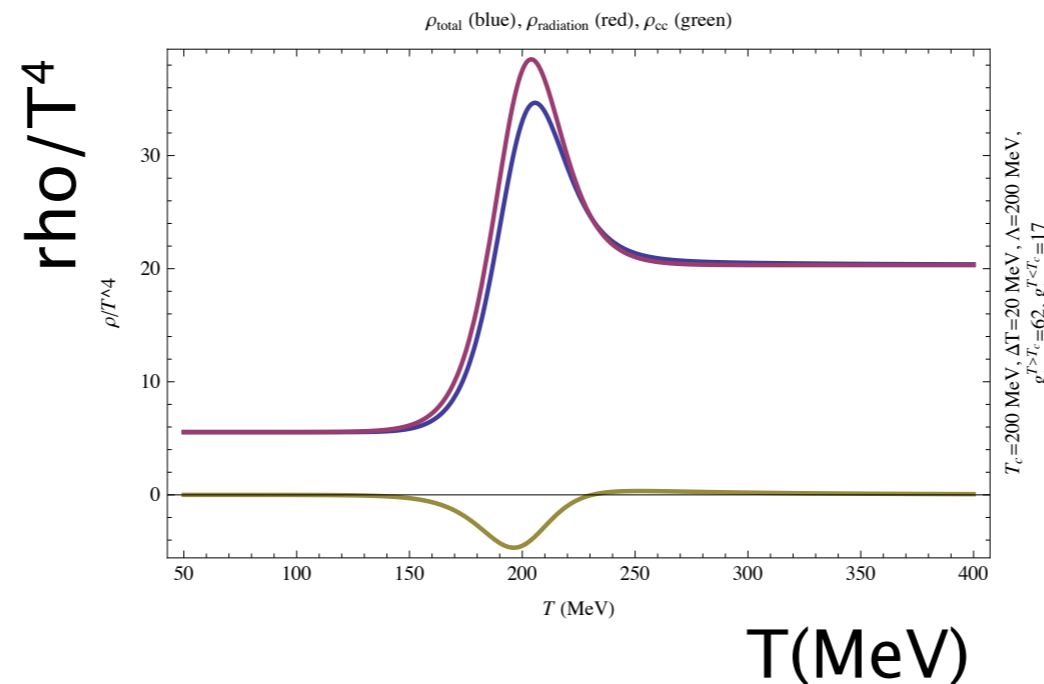
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Entropy is conserved:

$$\frac{dp}{dT} = \frac{p + \rho}{T}$$

Energy density:



We wish to compute the power spectrum

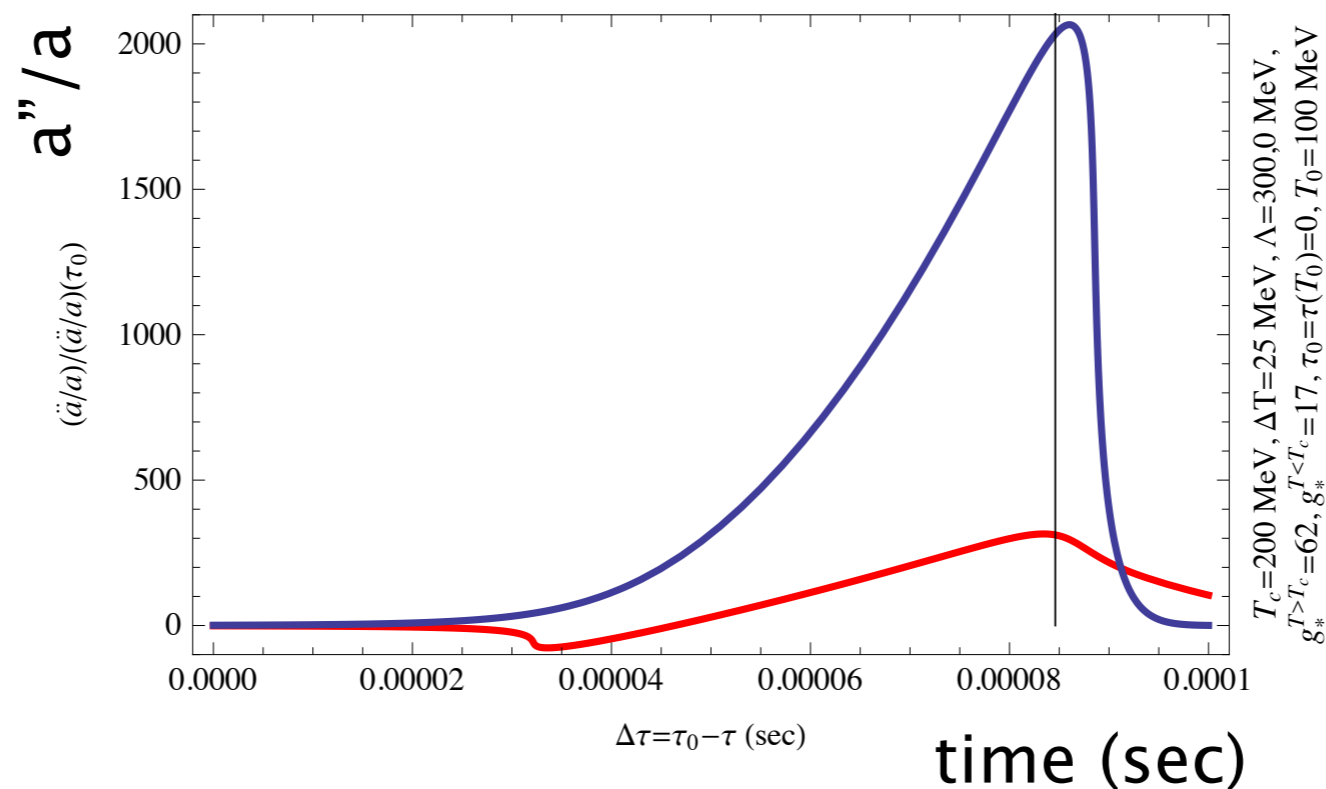
$$\Delta_t^2(\tau, k) = \frac{2k^3}{2\pi^2} \langle |h_k(\tau)|^2 \rangle$$

Wave equation

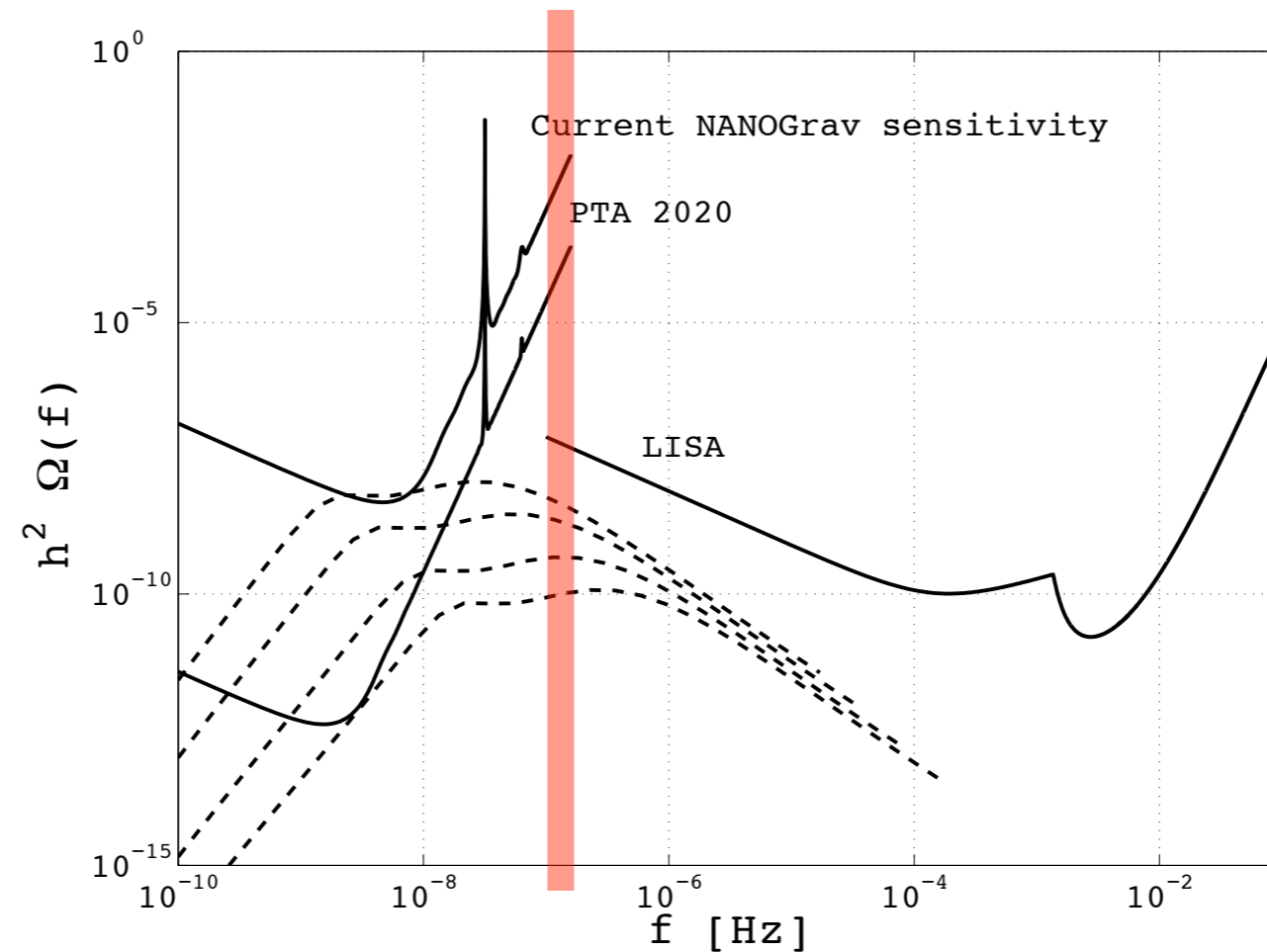
$$(ah_k)'' + \left(k^2 - \frac{a''}{a} \right) (ah_k) = 0$$

de Sitter space

$$a''/a = 2/\tau^2$$



Unfortunately, for the QCD phase transition, experiments are not very sensitive



Caprini et al '10

But who knows in the future?! Or other PT's?!

*Approximate spontaneous breaking of scale invariance
offers a NATURAL way to obtain a light scalar
and to suppress the Cosmological Constant*

Is this possibility realized in Nature?

**A Higgs-like Dilaton
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QCD?**

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We just have to wait and see



**DON'T PANIC
ACT NATURAL**

Thank you for your attention