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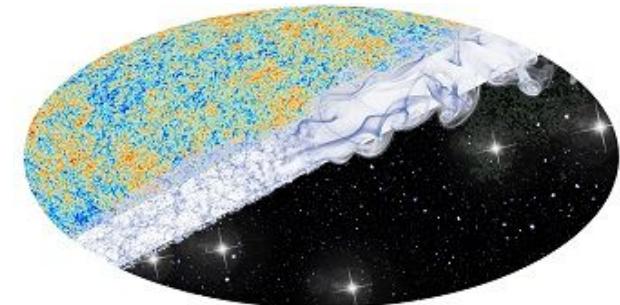
# TAsP Meeting



## Extended gravity models for inflation in light of the CMB data

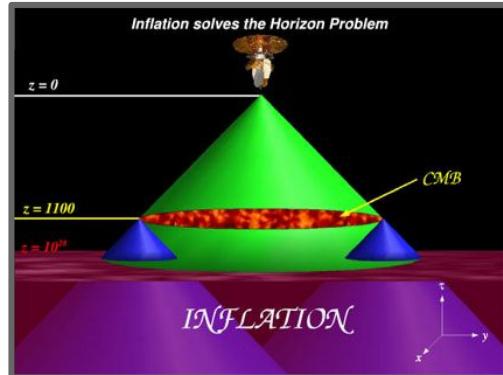
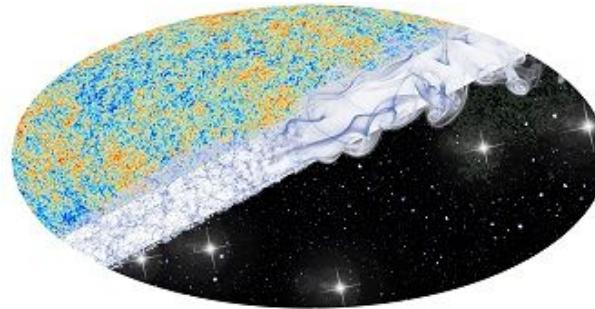
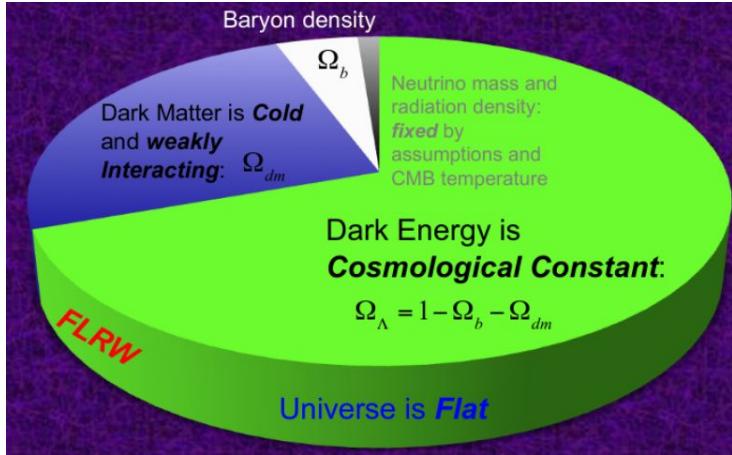
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# The concordance model - $\Lambda$ CDM: a set of assumptions confirmed by observational data

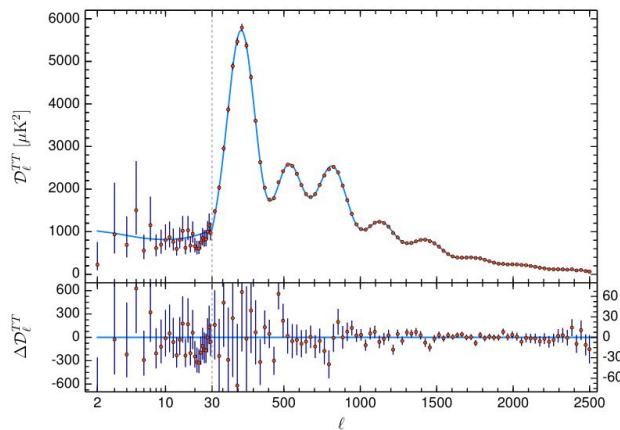


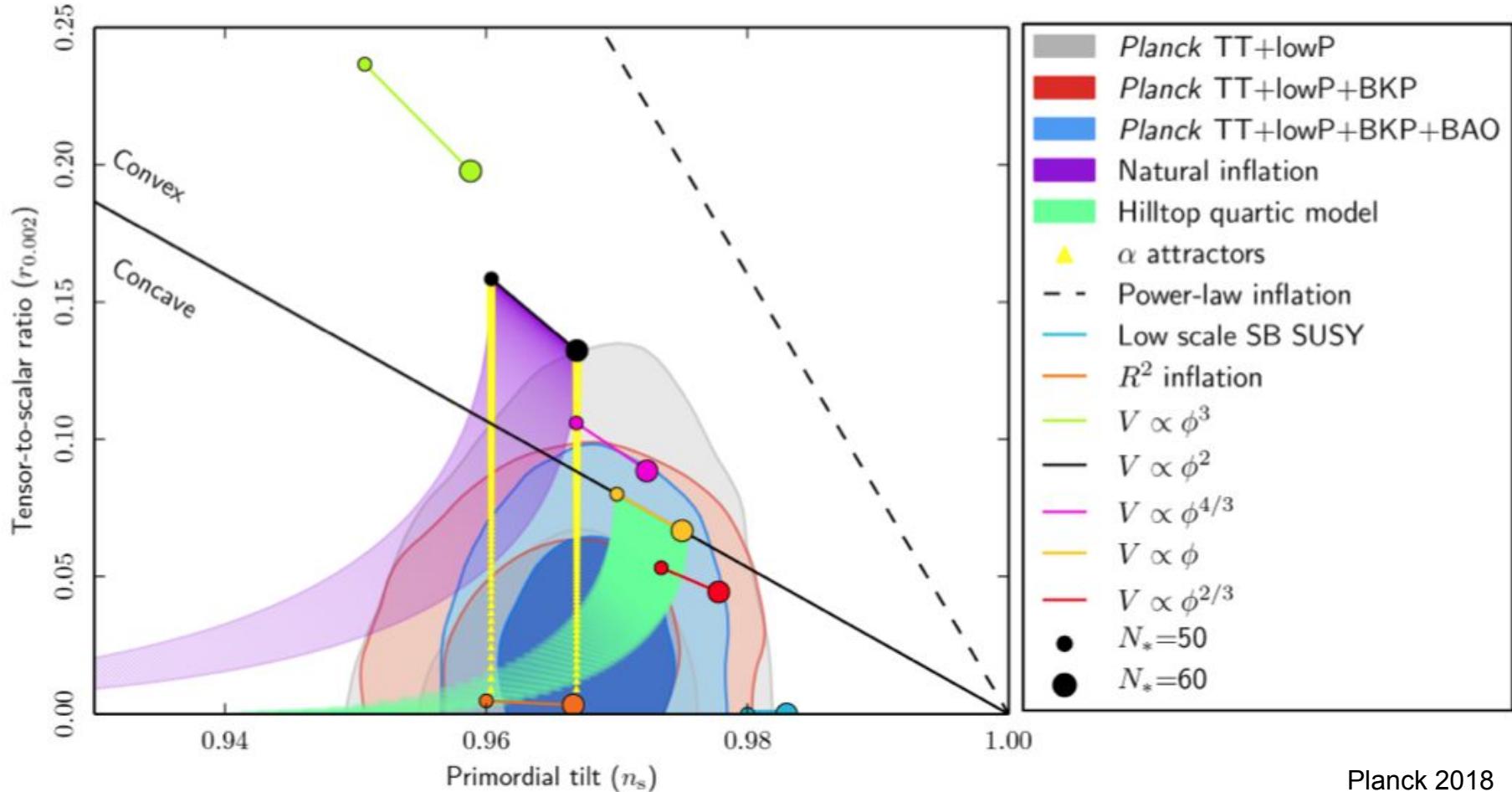
Initial Conditions:  
Form of the Primordial Spectrum is **Power-law**

$$n_s, A_s$$



$$P_R = A_s \left( \frac{k}{k_{pivot}} \right)^{n_s - 1}$$





Planck 2018

# Slow-roll

$$H^2 = \frac{1}{3} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \dot{\phi}^2 + V(\phi) \right]$$

$$\ddot{\phi} = -3H\dot{\phi} - V'(\phi)$$

$$\dot{H} \sim 0.$$

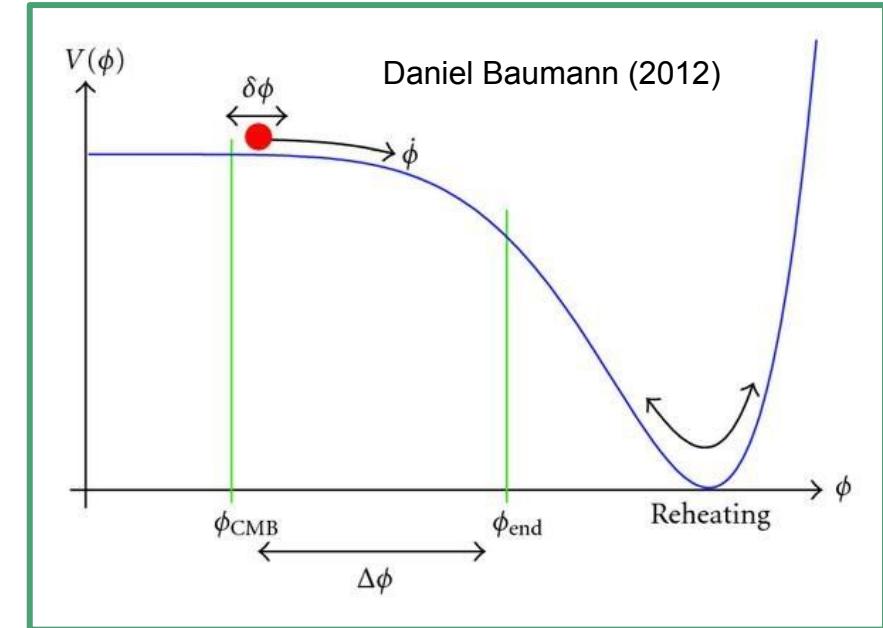
$$\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} \ll 1,$$

$$\epsilon = -\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} = \frac{M_{Pl}^2}{2} \left( \frac{V'}{V} \right)^2$$

$$\eta = -\frac{1}{H} \frac{\ddot{\phi}}{\dot{\phi}} = M_{Pl}^2 \frac{V''}{V}$$

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$$\epsilon \ll 1 \quad \eta \ll 1$$

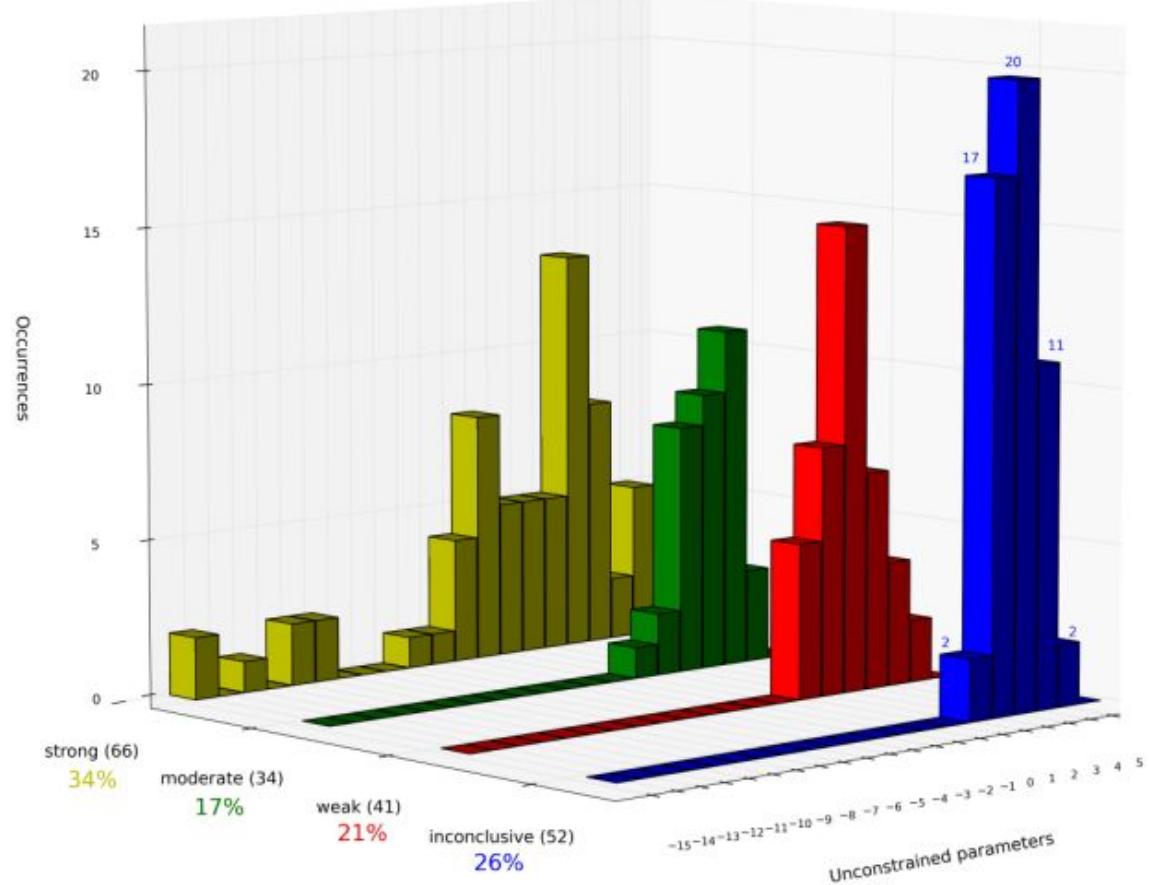


$$N \equiv \int_{a_{ini}}^{a_{end}} d \ln a = \int_{t_{ini}}^{t_{end}} H dt = \int_{\phi_{ini}}^{\phi_{end}} \frac{H}{\dot{\phi}} |d\phi| = \int_{\phi_{end}}^{\phi_{ini}} \frac{|d\phi|}{\sqrt{2\epsilon}}$$

# A lot of models

Best performance:

Starobinsky



[Martin et al. (2014)]

# Theoretical Motivation

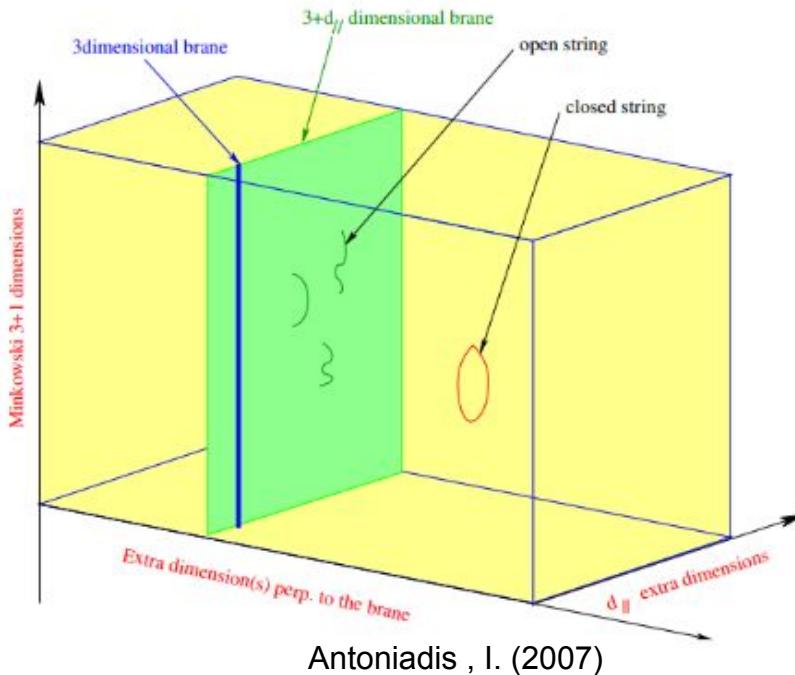
$$V(\phi) = V_0 \left[ 1 - \exp \left( -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\phi}{M_{Pl}} \right) \right]^2$$

- Higgs model with a non-minimal coupling to gravity,  $\frac{\xi}{2}\phi^2 R - \frac{\lambda}{4}(\phi^2 - v^2)^2$ , for  $\xi < 0$  in the limit  $1 + \xi v^2 \ll 1$  [Linde *et al.* (2011)];
- Higgs inflation in the theory  $\frac{\lambda}{4}\phi^4$  with a sufficiently large non-minimal coupling to gravity  $\frac{\xi}{2}\phi^2 R$  [Bezrukov *et al.* (2008)];
- Simple locally conformally invariant theory with spontaneous symmetry breaking [Kallosh *et al.* (2013)];
- Superconformal theory and supergravity [Kallosh *et al.* (2013)];
- $f(R)$  theories [Huang (2014)] and higher order polynomial corrections [Artymowski *et al.* (2015)];
- From a wide family of string models by using the Noether Symmetry Approach Capozziello *et al.* (2016)].

# Brane inflation and the robustness of the Starobinsky inflationary model

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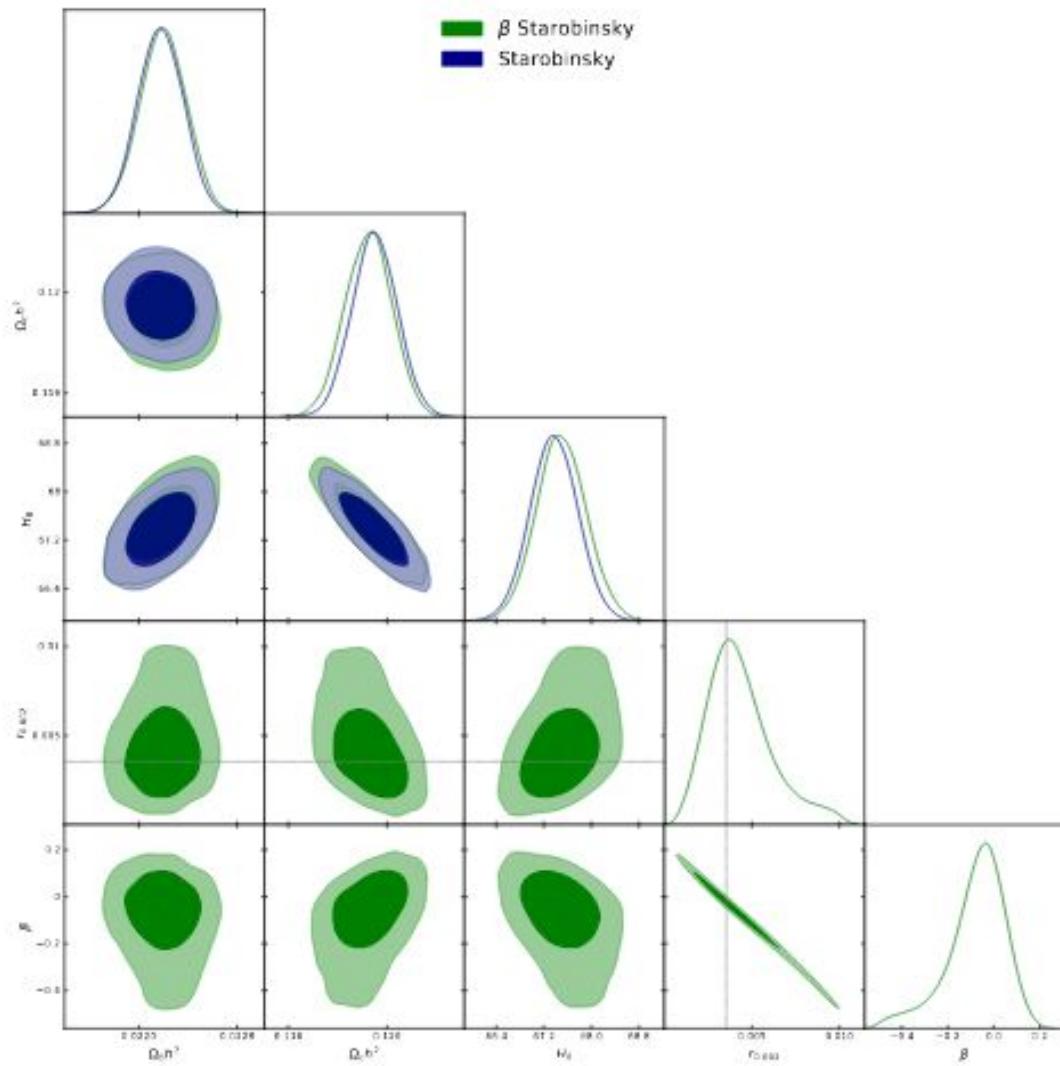
$$S = \int d^D x \sqrt{-g} \left( -\frac{1}{4}R + \frac{1}{2}\partial_M \phi_i \partial^M \phi_i - V(\phi_i) \right),$$

$$V_{\text{eff}}(L) = A_0 (1 - c_1 L)^{\frac{1}{\lambda c_1}} + \frac{1}{2} \sigma,$$

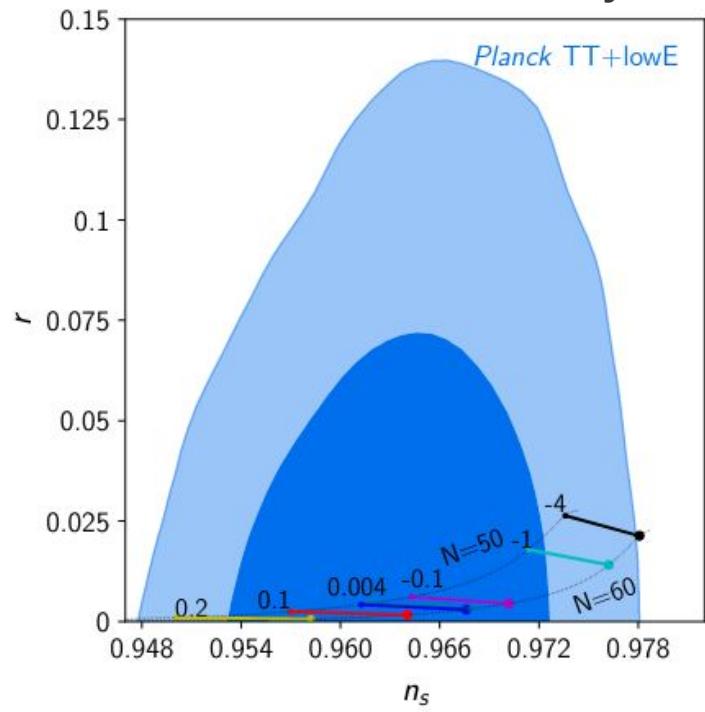
## Extended Starobinsky

$$V(\phi) = V_0 \left[ 1 - \left( 1 - \beta \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}} \right)^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \right]^2,$$

$$\exp_{1-\beta}(f) = [1 + \beta f]^{1/\beta}$$



## Extended Starobinsky



$$n_s = 1 + \frac{8}{3} \frac{\chi^{\frac{1}{\beta}-2}}{\left(1-\chi^{\frac{1}{\beta}}\right)^2} \left[ \beta \left(1-\chi^{\frac{1}{\beta}}\right) - 1 - \chi^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \right],$$

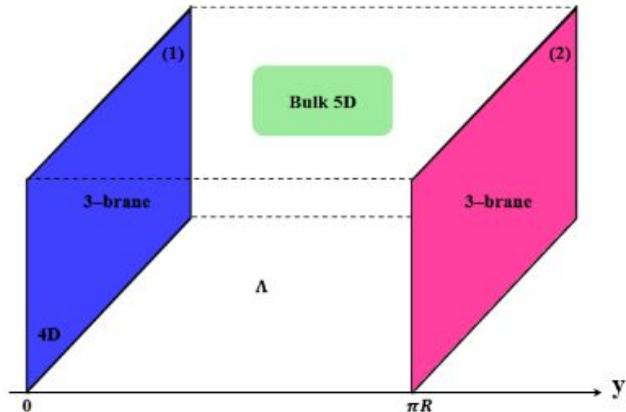
$$r = \frac{64}{3} \chi^{\frac{2}{\beta}-2} \left(1-\chi^{\frac{1}{\beta}}\right)^{-2}, \quad \chi \equiv 1 - \beta \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\phi}{M_{Pl}},$$

# Brane inflation driven by an arctan potential: CMB constraints and Reheating

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$$e^{-1} \mathcal{L}_{\text{sugra}} = -\frac{1}{4} M_*^3 R_{(5)} + G_{AB} \partial_\mu \phi^A \partial^\mu \phi_B - \frac{1}{4} G^{AB} \frac{\partial W(\phi)}{\partial \phi^A} \frac{\partial W(\phi)}{\partial \phi^B} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{1}{M_*^3} W(\phi)^2. \quad (3.5.40)$$

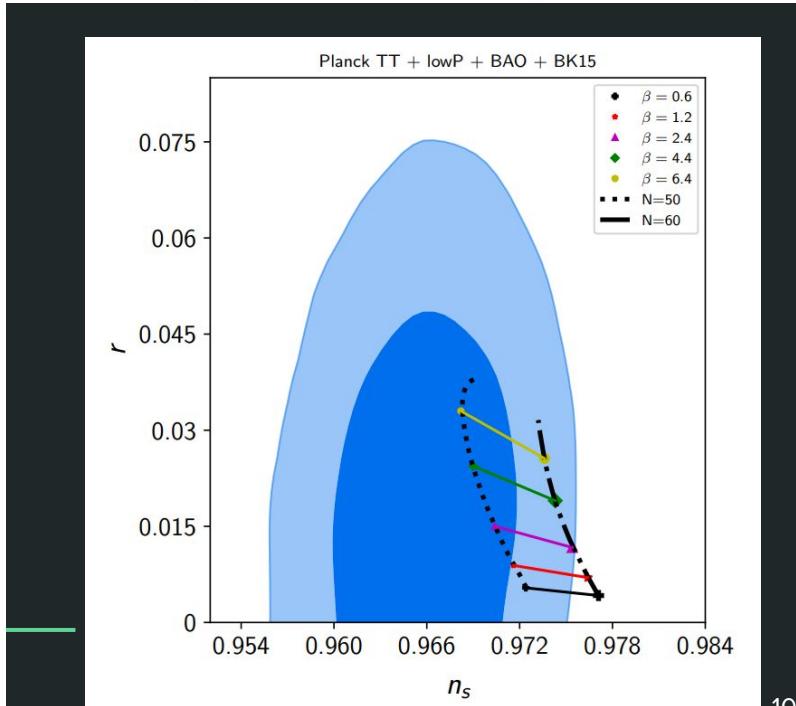
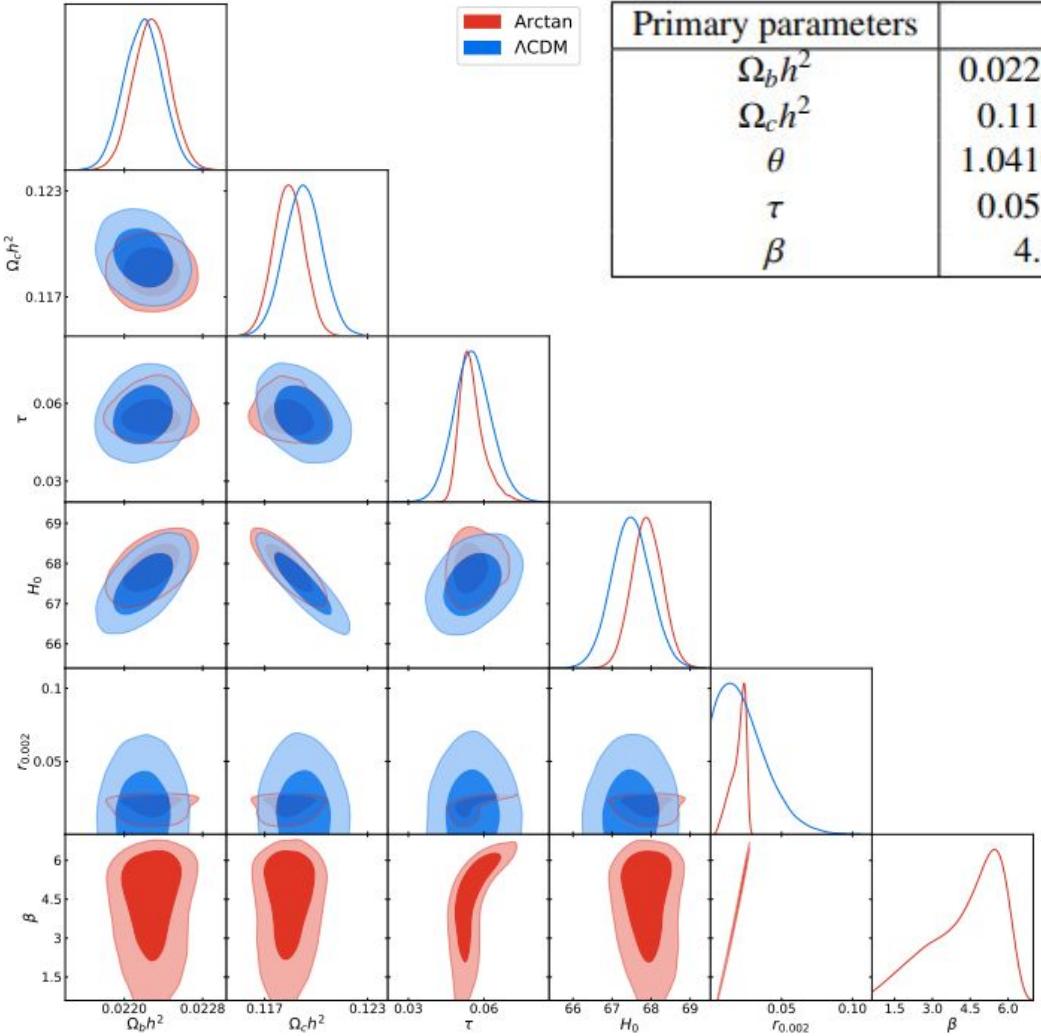
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$$V(\phi) = K \beta \arctan \left( \frac{\phi}{\beta} \right),$$

$$n_s = 1 - \frac{4}{\beta^2 \arctan \left( \frac{\phi}{\beta} \right) \left( 1 + \frac{\phi^2}{\beta^2} \right)^2} - \frac{3}{2 \beta^2 \arctan^2 \left( \frac{\phi}{\beta} \right) \left( 1 + \frac{\phi^2}{\beta^2} \right)^2},$$

$$r = \frac{8}{\beta^2 \arctan \left( \frac{\phi}{\beta} \right) \left( 1 + \frac{\phi^2}{\beta^2} \right)^2}$$

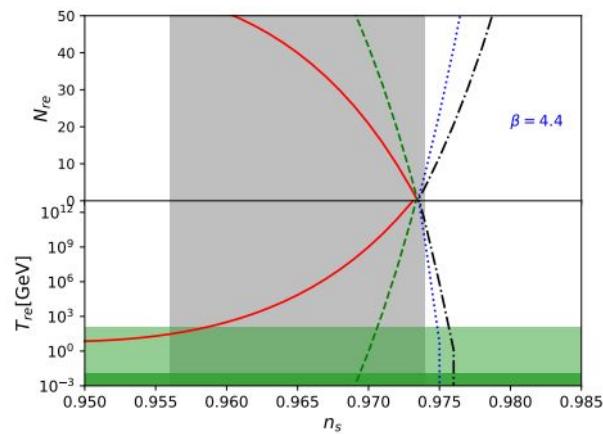
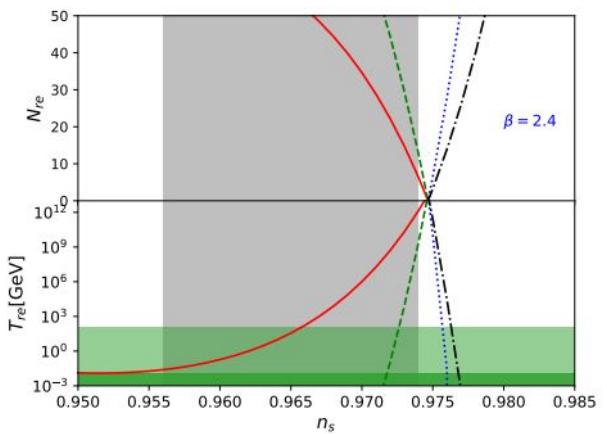
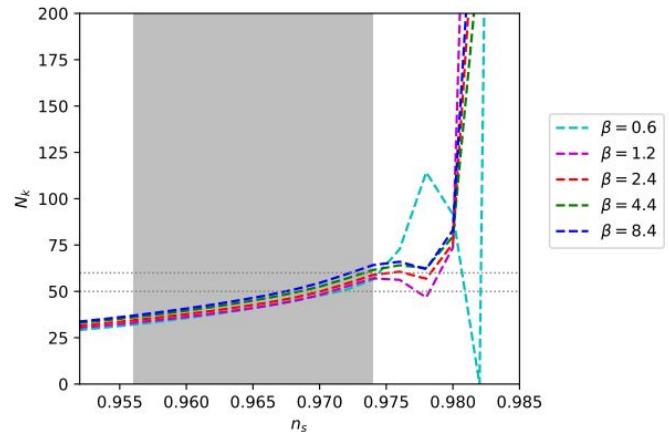
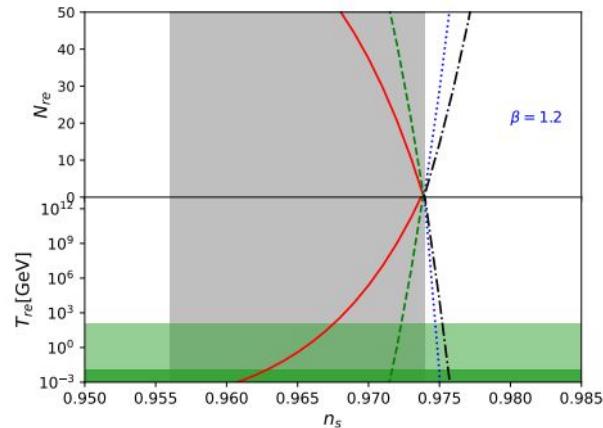
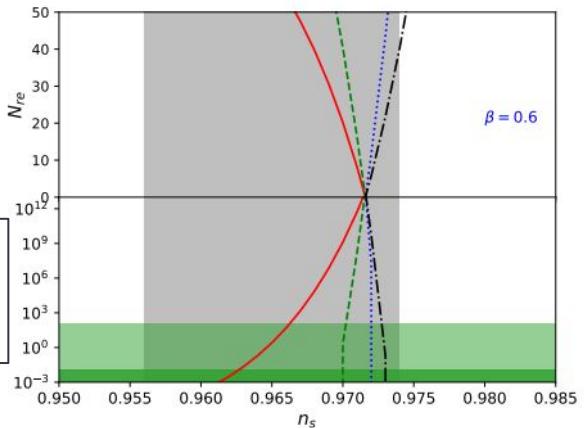


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# Reheating constraints

$$N_{re} = \frac{4}{1 - 3w_{re}} \left[ 61.6 - \ln \left( \frac{V_{end}^{\frac{1}{4}}}{H_k} \right) - N_k \right],$$

$$T_{re} = \left[ \left( \frac{11g_{re}}{43} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \left( \frac{k}{a_0 T_0} \right) H_k e^{-N_k} \left( \frac{45V_{end}}{\pi^2 g_{re}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{3(1+w_{re})}} \right]^{\frac{3(1+w_{re})}{3w_{re}-1}}.$$



# Observational constraints on $\alpha$ -attractor inflationary models with a Higgs-like potential

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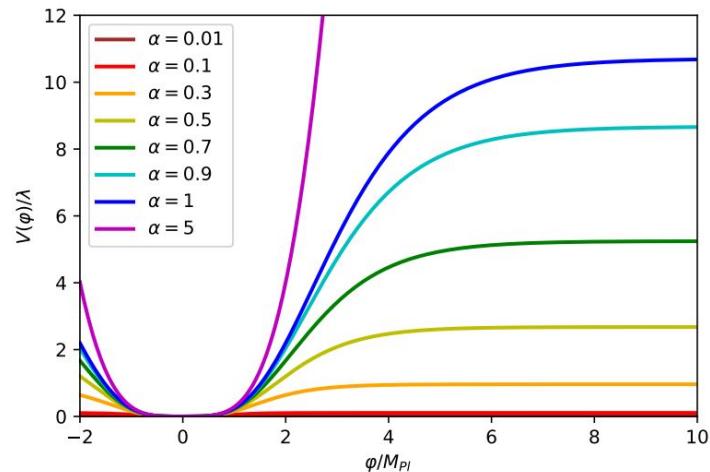
$$V(\phi) = \frac{\lambda}{4}(\phi^2 - v^2)^2,$$

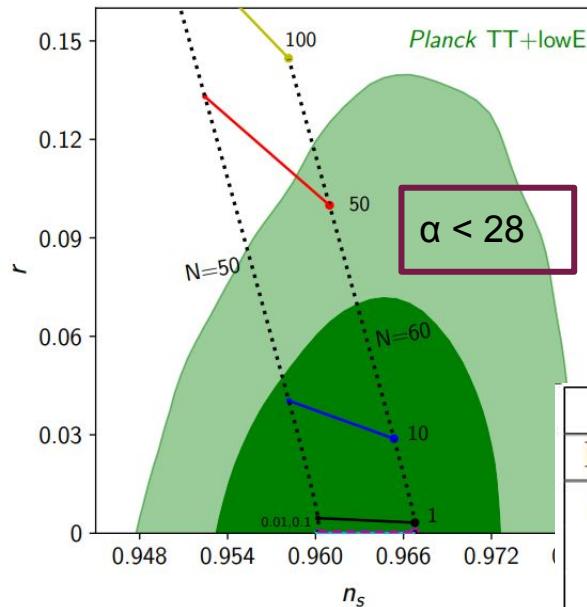
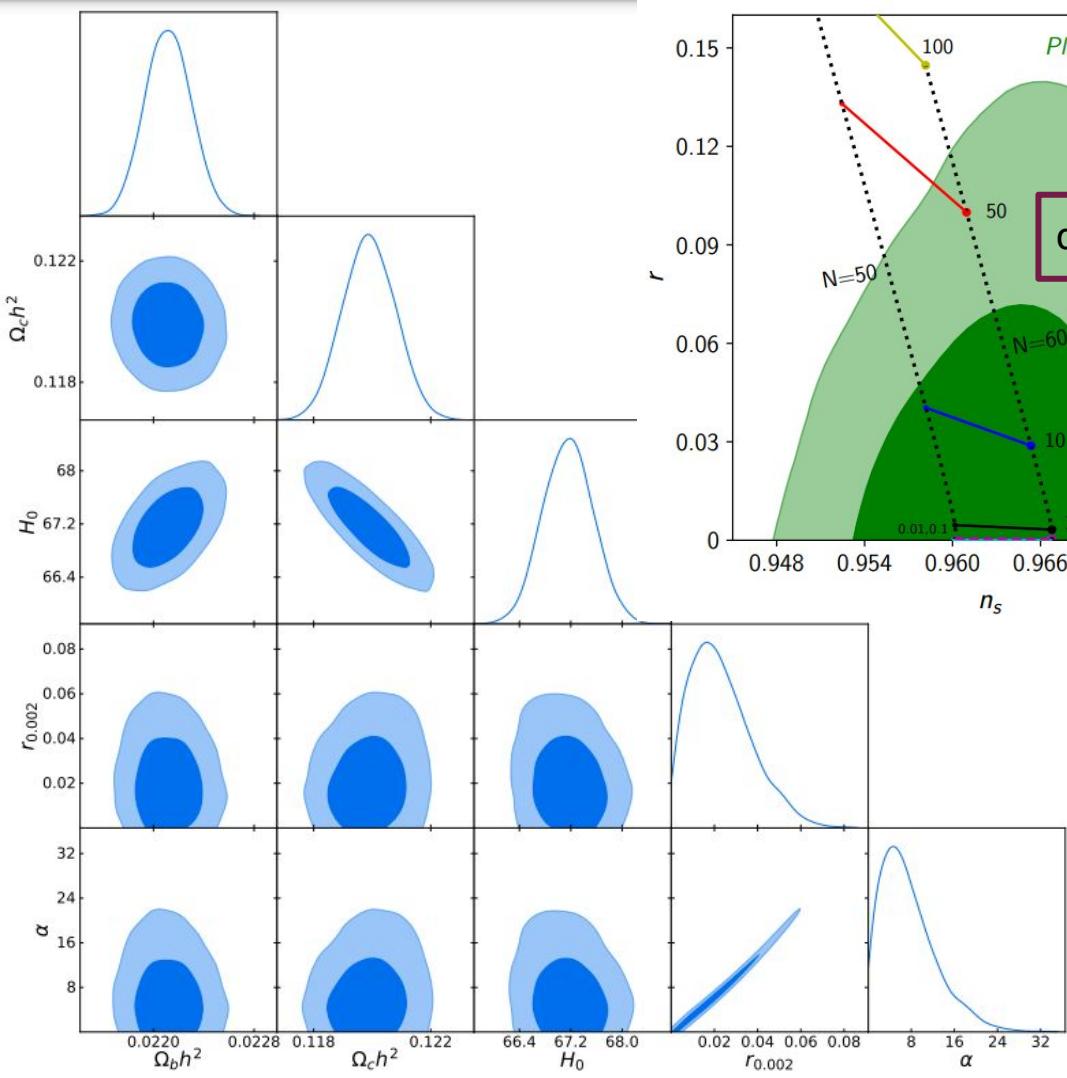
$$\mathcal{L} = \sqrt{-g} \left[ \frac{1}{2}R - \frac{(\partial\varphi)^2}{2} - V(\sqrt{6\alpha} \tanh \frac{\varphi}{\sqrt{6\alpha}}) \right].$$

$$\phi = \sqrt{6\alpha} \tanh \frac{\varphi}{\sqrt{6\alpha}},$$



$$V(\varphi) = 9\alpha^2\lambda \left( \tanh \frac{\varphi}{\sqrt{6\alpha}} \right)^4,$$





Parameter	Higgs-like	
	mean	best fit
Primary		
$\Omega_b h^2$	$0.02212 \pm 0.018$	0.02208
$\Omega_c h^2$	$0.1199 \pm 0.0009$	0.1196
$\theta$	$1.04085 \pm 0.00040$	1.04108
$\tau$	$0.048 + 0.003$	0.048
$\alpha$	$7.56 \pm 5.15$	9.82
Derived		
$H_0$	$67.16 \pm 0.38$	67.21
$\Omega_m$	$0.316 \pm 0.005$	0.320
$\Omega_\Lambda$	$0.684 \pm 0.005$	0.680
$n_s$	$0.963 \pm 0.001$	0.9621
$r_{0.002}$	$0.023 \pm 0.014$	0.030

# Constraining non-minimally coupled $\beta$ -exponential inflation with CMB data

$$\int d^4x \sqrt{-\hat{g}} \left[ \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \hat{R} - \frac{1}{2} F^2(\phi) \hat{g}^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - \hat{V}(\phi) \right],$$

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$$F^2(\phi) \equiv \frac{1 + \kappa^2 \xi \phi^2 (1 + 6\xi)}{(1 + \kappa^2 \xi \phi^2)^2},$$

$$\hat{V}(\chi) \equiv \frac{V(\phi)}{(1 + \kappa^2 \xi \phi^2)^2}.$$

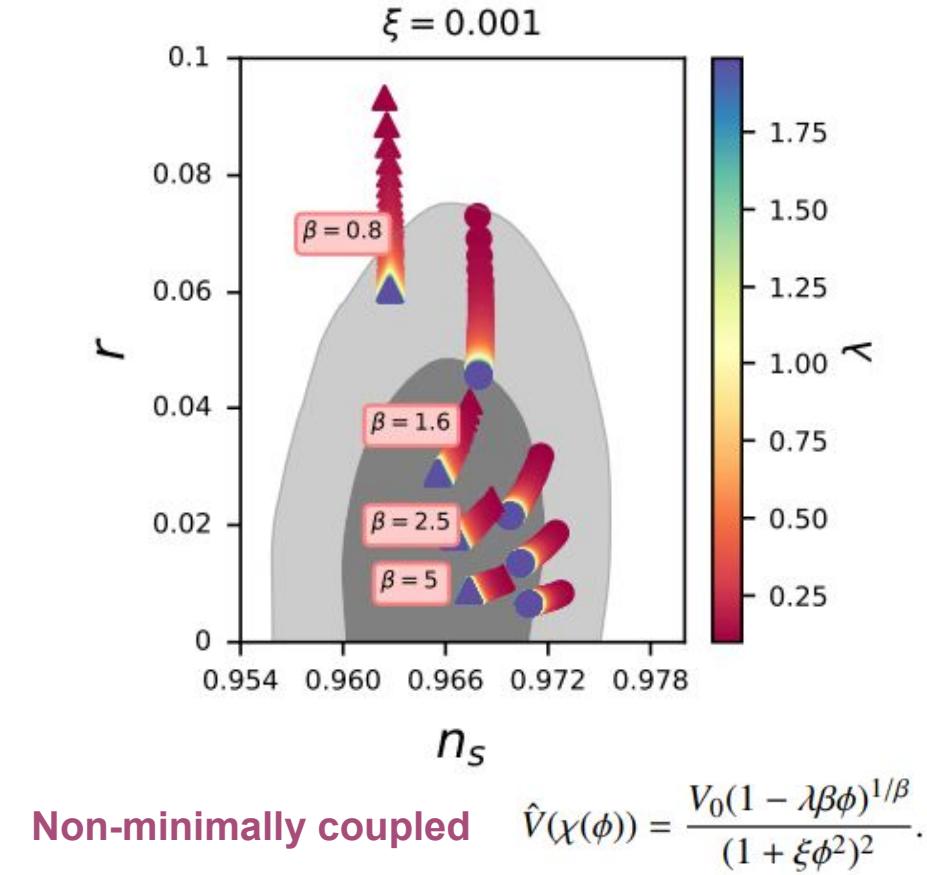
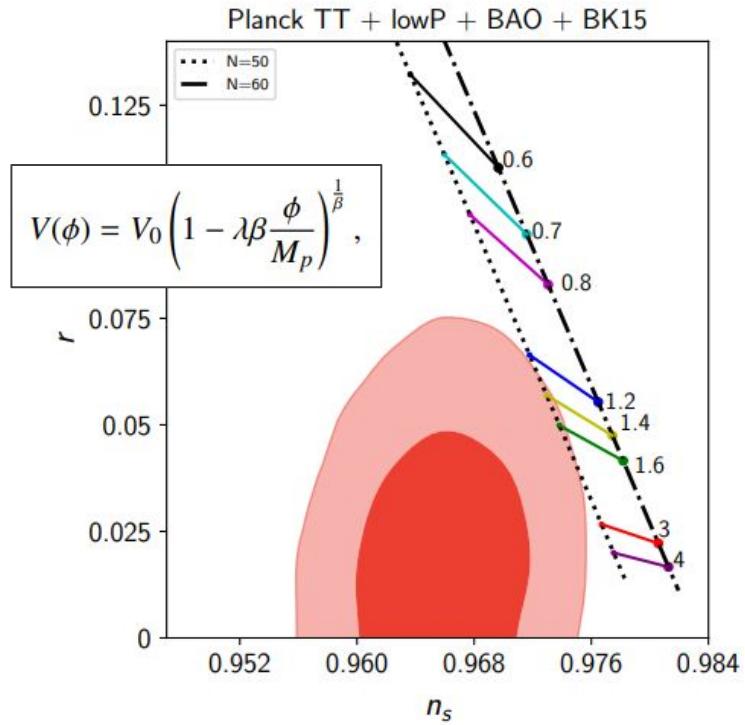


$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-\hat{g}} \left[ \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \hat{R} - \frac{1}{2} \hat{g}^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \chi \partial_\nu \chi - \hat{V}(\chi) \right],$$

$$\chi_\phi \equiv \frac{d\chi}{d\phi} = \sqrt{\frac{1 + \kappa^2 \xi \phi^2 (1 + 6\xi)}{(1 + \kappa^2 \xi \phi^2)^2}},$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{M_p^2}{2} \left( \frac{V_\phi}{V \chi_\phi} \right)^2, \quad \eta = M_p^2 \left( \frac{V_{\phi\phi}}{V \chi_\phi^2} - \frac{V_\phi \chi_{\phi\phi}}{V \chi_\phi^3} \right), \quad \zeta^2 = M_p^4 \frac{V_\phi}{V^2 \chi_\phi^2} \left( \frac{V_{\phi\phi\phi}}{\chi_\phi^2} - \frac{3V_{\phi\phi} \chi_{\phi\phi}}{\chi_\phi^3} + \frac{3V_\phi \chi_{\phi\phi}^2}{\chi_\phi^4} - \frac{V_\phi \chi_{\phi\phi\phi}}{\chi_\phi^3} \right).$$

# The $\beta$ -exponential potential



# Cosmological models for $f(R, T) - \Lambda(\phi)$ gravity

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$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left( f(R, T) - \frac{\Lambda(\phi)}{2} + \mathcal{L} \right),$$

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## First order formalism

$$H \equiv h(\phi); \quad \dot{H} = h_\phi \dot{\phi},$$

$$\dot{\phi} = -W_\phi; \quad W_\phi = \frac{dW(\phi)}{d\phi},$$

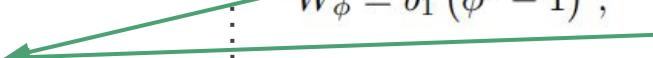
$$h_\phi = (1 - 2f')W_\phi.$$

$$V_\phi = \frac{(3hh_\phi - W_\phi h_{\phi\phi} - \rho_\Lambda \phi) W_\phi}{2h_\phi - W_\phi}.$$

### A. First Model - $f_\phi = \alpha T_\phi$

$$W = b_1 \left( -\phi + \frac{\phi^3}{3} \right) + \frac{b_2}{(1 - 2\alpha)}.$$

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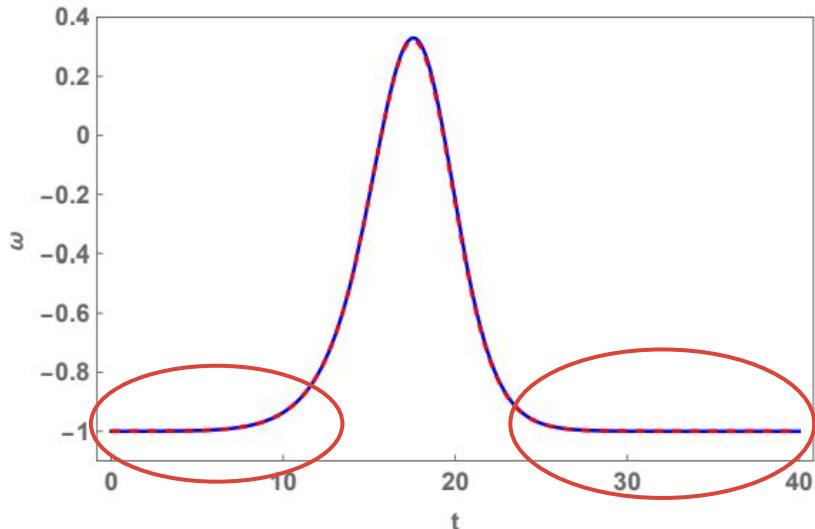
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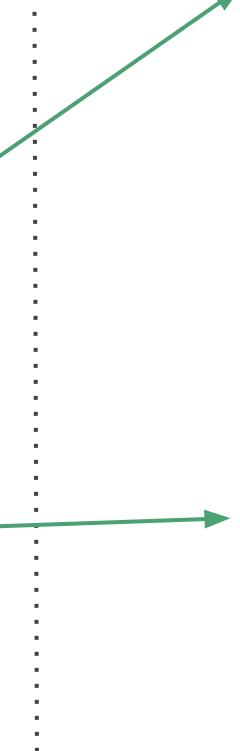
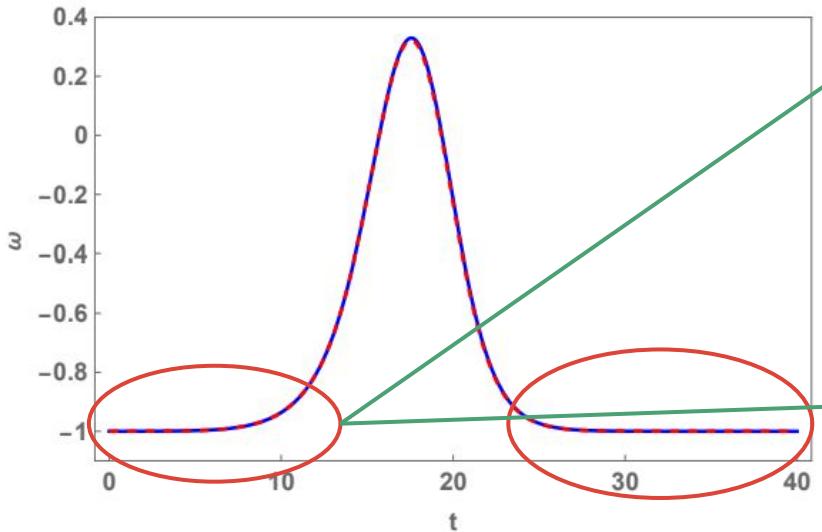
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# Gauge invariant quantum backreaction in $U(1)$ axion inflation

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## Without matter and metric fluctuations

### C. Natural Inflation

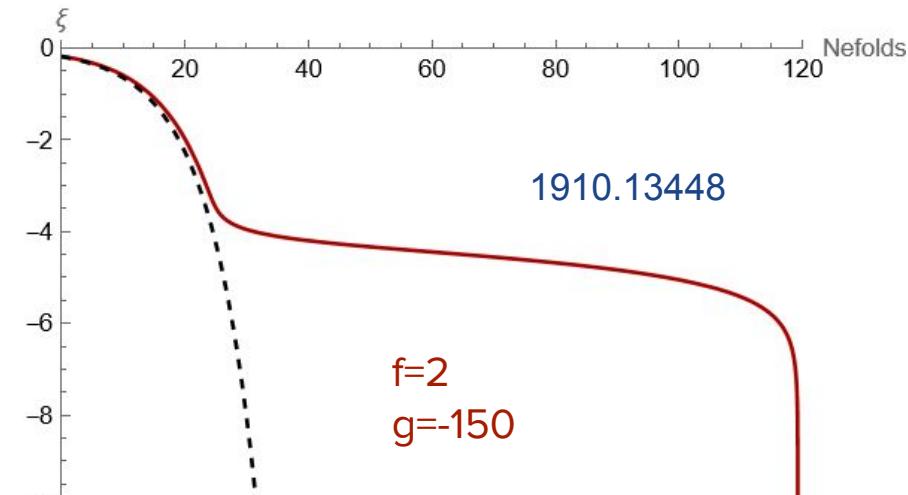
We now compute the gauge invariant backreaction effect to the case of a natural inflation where we have

$$V(\phi) = \Lambda^4 \left[ 1 - \cos \left( \frac{\phi}{f} \right) \right], \quad (61)$$

$$H^2 = \frac{1}{3m_{Pl}^2} \left[ \frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{2} + V(\phi) + \frac{\langle \mathbf{E}^2 + \mathbf{B}^2 \rangle}{2} \right],$$

$$\dot{H} = -\frac{1}{2m_{Pl}^2} \left[ \dot{\phi}^2 + \frac{2}{3} \langle \mathbf{E}^2 + \mathbf{B}^2 \rangle \right].$$

$$\xi \equiv \dot{g\phi}/(2H). \quad g = \alpha/f,$$



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## Second order perturbative equations

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$$\dot{H} = -\frac{1}{2m_{Pl}^2} \left[ \dot{\phi}^2 + \frac{2}{3} \langle \mathbf{E}^2 + \mathbf{B}^2 \rangle \right].$$

f>>M\_Pl

$$\begin{aligned} H_{eff}^2 &= H^2 \left[ 1 - \frac{2}{H} \langle \dot{\psi}^{(2)} \rangle \right] \\ &= H^2 \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{3H^2 M_{Pl}^2} \frac{\langle \mathbf{E}^2 + \mathbf{B}^2 \rangle}{2} \right], \end{aligned}$$

Full regime

$$H_{eff}^2 = H^2 \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{M_{Pl}^2} \left[ \frac{1}{3H^2} + \left( \frac{M_{Pl}}{f} \right)^4 \frac{1}{\dot{H}} \left( \frac{G(H)}{6} + \frac{1}{144} \right) \right] \frac{\langle \vec{\mathbf{E}}^2 + \vec{\mathbf{B}}^2 \rangle}{2} \right\}$$

# Final remarks

- There is still space to play with inflationary models:
  - Advantage >> Theoretically motivated models - foundation of an extended theory of gravity;
- We investigated different braneworld scenarios: extended Starobinsky + ArcTan potentials;
- We have constrained for the first time the parameters associated with the alpha attractor Higgs-like potential;
- We can recover the observational viability of models by coupling the scalar field to the gravity sector;
- Implementation of the *first order formalism* to study the inflationary phase;
- Work in progress with interesting perspectives:
  - **Backreaction in U(1) axion inflation**

