

# Unique $F(R)$ Theory from the Standard Model

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# We all know “the problem”

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$G_{\mu\nu} \neq 8\pi G (T_{\mu\nu})_{\text{known}}$  on galaxy scales & larger

We also know the possible solutions:

1. Invent more  $T_{\mu\nu}$

- $\rho_{\text{DM}} \sim 6 \times \rho_{\text{known}}, \rho_{\text{DE}} \sim 18 \times \rho_{\text{known}}$
- This works . . . but it's epicyclic

2. Change gravity

- $R \Rightarrow F(R)$  is the only stable way
- This works . . . but it's ALSO epicyclic
- UNLESS you can DERIVE  $F(R)$  from 1<sup>st</sup> Principles

# $V_{\text{eff}}$ in de Sitter


$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + a^2 dx^i dx^i, \quad a = e^{Ht}$$

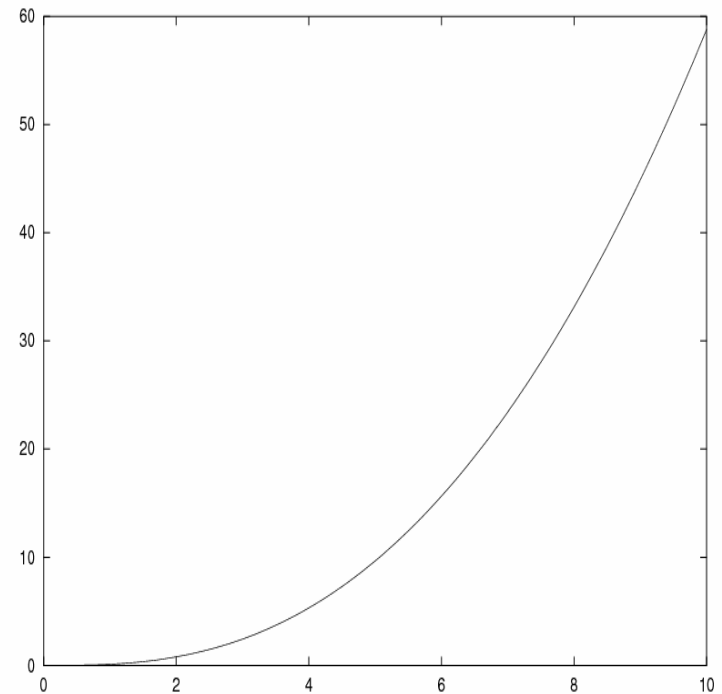
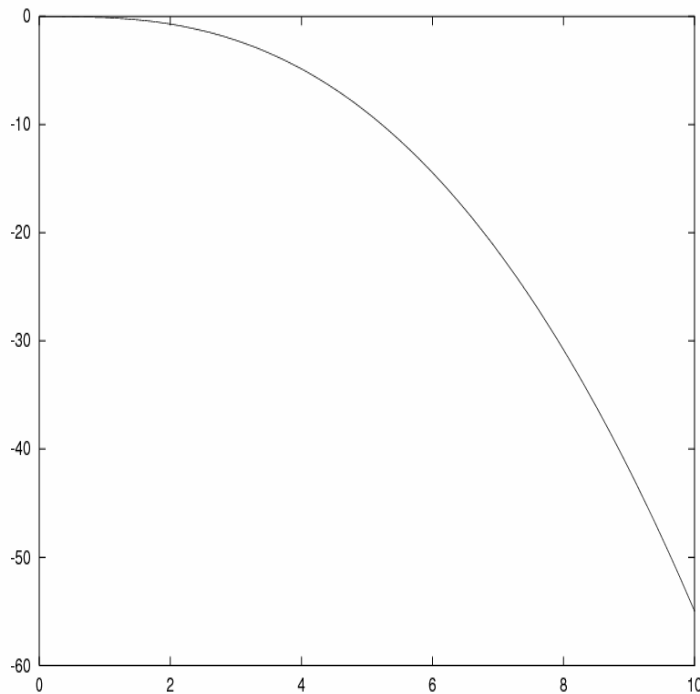
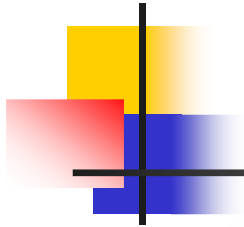
Yukawa:  $\Delta\mathcal{L} = -f\varphi\bar{\psi}\psi\sqrt{-g}$

- $V_{\text{eff}} \equiv -\frac{H^4}{8\pi^2} \times F(z)$  with  $z \equiv \frac{f^2\varphi^2}{H^2}$
- $F(z) = 2\gamma z - [\zeta(3) - \gamma]z^2$   
 $+ \int_0^z dx(1+x) [\psi(1+i\sqrt{x}) + \psi(1-i\sqrt{x})]$   
 $\rightarrow \frac{1}{2}z^2 \ln(z) + O(z^2)$

SQED:  $\Delta\mathcal{L} = ieA_\mu\varphi^*\partial_\nu\varphi g^{\mu\nu}\sqrt{-g} + \dots$

- $V_{\text{eff}} \equiv +\frac{3H^4}{8\pi^2} \times F(z)$  with  $z \equiv \frac{e^2\varphi^*\varphi}{H^2}$
- $F(z) = [2\gamma - 1]z - [\frac{3}{2} - \gamma]z^2$   
 $+ \int_0^z dx(1+x) [\psi(\frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{1-8x}) + \psi(\frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{1-8x})]$   
 $\rightarrow \frac{1}{2}z^2 \ln(z) + O(z^2)$

# $V_{\text{eff}}$ falls for Yukawa and grows for SQED





# What is “H” for general $g_{\mu\nu}$ ?

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Recall Yukawa

- $V_{\text{eff}} = -H^4/8\pi^2 F(f^2\phi^2/H^2)$

In de Sitter

- $R^\rho_{\sigma\mu\nu} = H^2 (\delta^\rho_\mu g_{\sigma\nu} - \delta^\rho_\nu g_{\sigma\mu})$

Possibilities for  $H^2$

- $H^2 \Rightarrow R/12$

- $H^2 \Rightarrow (R^{\mu\nu} R_{\mu\nu}/36)^{1/2}$

- $H^2 \Rightarrow (R^{\rho\sigma\mu\nu} R_{\rho\sigma\mu\nu}/24)^{1/2}$



# Spacetime Exp. Strengthens QFT

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WHY?

- Loops  $\Rightarrow$  classical physics of virtuals
- Expansion  $\Rightarrow$  holds virtuals apart longer

MAXIMUM EFFECT FOR:

- Inflation
- Massless and NOT conformally invariant

TWO PARTICLES:

- $m=0$  and  $\xi=0$  Scalars
- Gravitons



# Infrared Logarithms

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WHAT: factors of  $\ln(a) = Ht$  in QFT loops

FOR EXAMPLE:  $\lambda\phi^4$

- $p = (\lambda H^4 / 16\pi^2) [-2\ln^2(a) - 7/2\ln(a)] + O(\lambda^3)$

WHY:

- $i\Delta(x;x) = UV + (H^2/4\pi^2) \ln(a)$

- $\int_0^t dt' 1 = \ln(a)/H$

- NB:  $\ln(a)$  even in Power Spectrum

- Weinberg, hep-th/0605244



# Leading Log Approximation

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- General Expansion for  $\Delta\mathcal{L} = -f\varphi\bar{\psi}\psi\sqrt{-g}$ 
$$\sum_n f^{2n} \{ \alpha_n [\ln(a)]^n + \beta_n [\ln(a)]^{n-1} + \dots \}$$
$$\Rightarrow \sum_n \alpha_n [f^2 \ln(a)]^n$$

- Only  $\varphi$ 's gives  $\ln(a)$ 
$$\Rightarrow \text{Integrate out } \psi\text{'s and drop } \partial\text{'s}$$
- Starobinskiĭ gets  $\alpha_n$  (not  $\beta_n$  etc.)

$$\langle A(\varphi(t)) \rangle = \int dx A(x) \rho(t, x)$$

- Even late time limits

$$\rho(t, x) \Rightarrow N \exp \left[ -\frac{8\pi^2}{H^4} V_{eff}(x) \right]$$





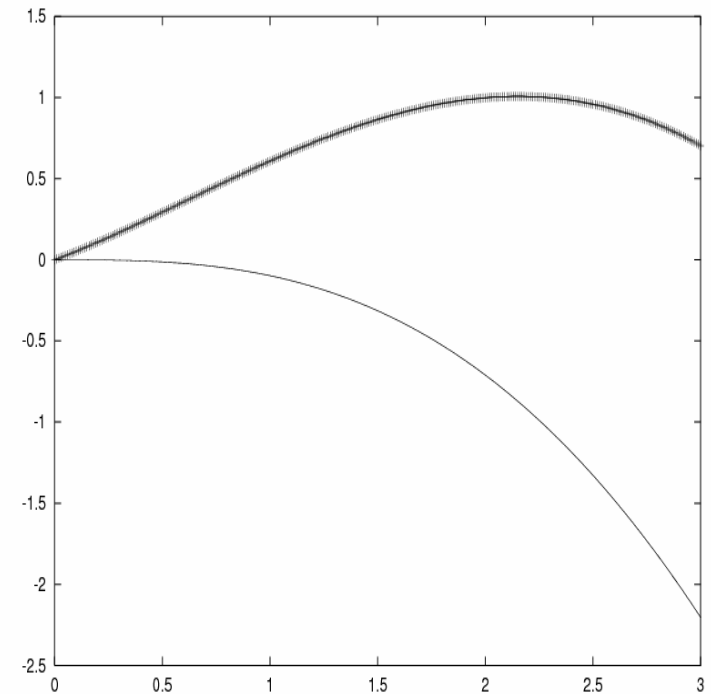
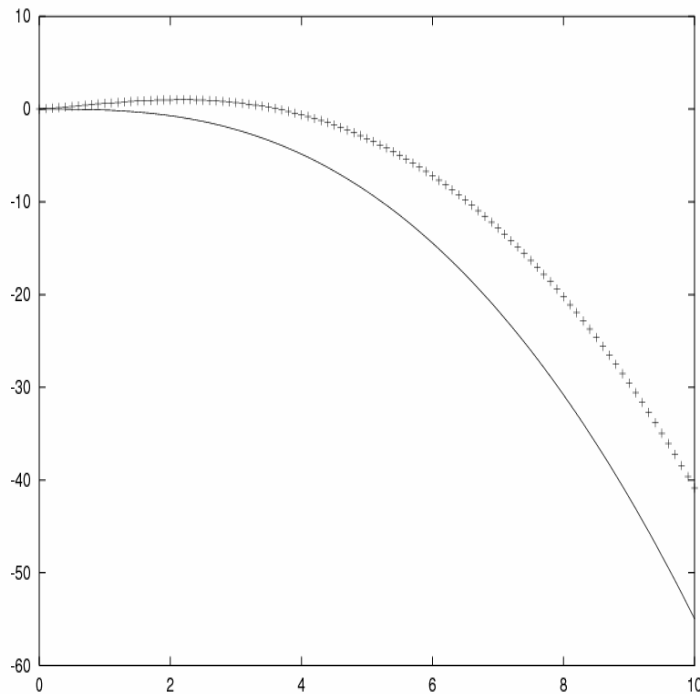
# Stress Tensor at Leading Log

- Integrate out  $\psi$ 's
- Drop derivatives
- $\langle T_{\mu\nu} \rangle = -g_{\mu\nu} \times V_s$
- Yukawa:  $V_s = -H^4/8\pi^2 F_s(f^2\phi^2/H^2)$

$$F_s(z) = \left[\gamma - \frac{1}{2}\right]z - \left[\zeta(3) - \gamma + \frac{1}{4}\right]z^2 \\ + \frac{1}{2}(z + z^2) \left[\psi(1 + i\sqrt{z}) + \psi(1 - i\sqrt{z})\right]$$

$$F(z) = 2\gamma z - [\zeta(3) - \gamma]z^2 \\ + \int_0^z dx (1 + x) \left[\psi(1 + i\sqrt{x}) + \psi(1 - i\sqrt{x})\right]$$

# $V_{\text{eff}}$ & $V_s$ Similar for Large $\varphi$ but Not for Small $\varphi$





# $V_{\text{eff}} \neq V_s$ Fixes $H^2$

- True:  $F_s(z) = \frac{1}{2} z F'(z) - \frac{1}{2} z - \frac{1}{4} z^2$
- For  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = -\Phi(R) (-g)^{1/2}$ 
  - $\langle T_{\mu\nu} \rangle \rightarrow -g_{\mu\nu} \{ \Phi(R) - \frac{1}{2} R \Phi'(R) \}$
- For  $V_{\text{eff}} = -H^4/8\pi^2 F(f^2\phi^2/H^2)$   
 $\rightarrow -(R/12)^2/8\pi^2 F(12f^2\phi^2/R)$
- Would give  $F_s(z) = \frac{1}{2} z F'(z)$
- The  $-\frac{1}{2} z - \frac{1}{4} z^2$  from counterterms
  - $\delta\xi\phi^2R: \ln(H^2) \rightarrow \ln(\Lambda/3)$
  - $\delta\lambda\phi^4: \ln(H^2) \rightarrow \ln(\Lambda/3)$

# Summary

F(R) models can give  $a(t)$

- but epicyclic
- UNLESS from fundamental theory

In de Sitter:  $V_{\text{eff}} \sim H^4 F(\phi^2/H^2)$

Leading Log Expansion fixes “H”

- $H^2 \Rightarrow R/12$  from propagator
- $\ln(H^2) \Rightarrow$  from counterterms

Next Step: Explore Cosmology