



Hybrid Inflation with a $U(1)$ Gauge Symmetry

A Toy Model.

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Hybrid Inflation

Superpotential

$$W = \lambda \Phi (M_G^2 - \Sigma^2)$$

- Φ, Σ : Chiral superfields
- λ : Coupling constant
- M_G : Mass parameter $\mathcal{O}(10^{16})$ GeV

Scalar Potential

$$V_F = \lambda^2 (M_G^2 - \sigma^2)^2 + \lambda^2 \phi^2 \sigma^2 + \dots$$

- ϕ, σ : Real part of the scalar component of Φ, Σ

Hybrid Inflation

Superpotential (+ Polonyi-Term)

[Buchmüller, Covi, Delépine '00], [Asaka, Buchmüller, Covi '01]

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M_S : Susy breaking scale

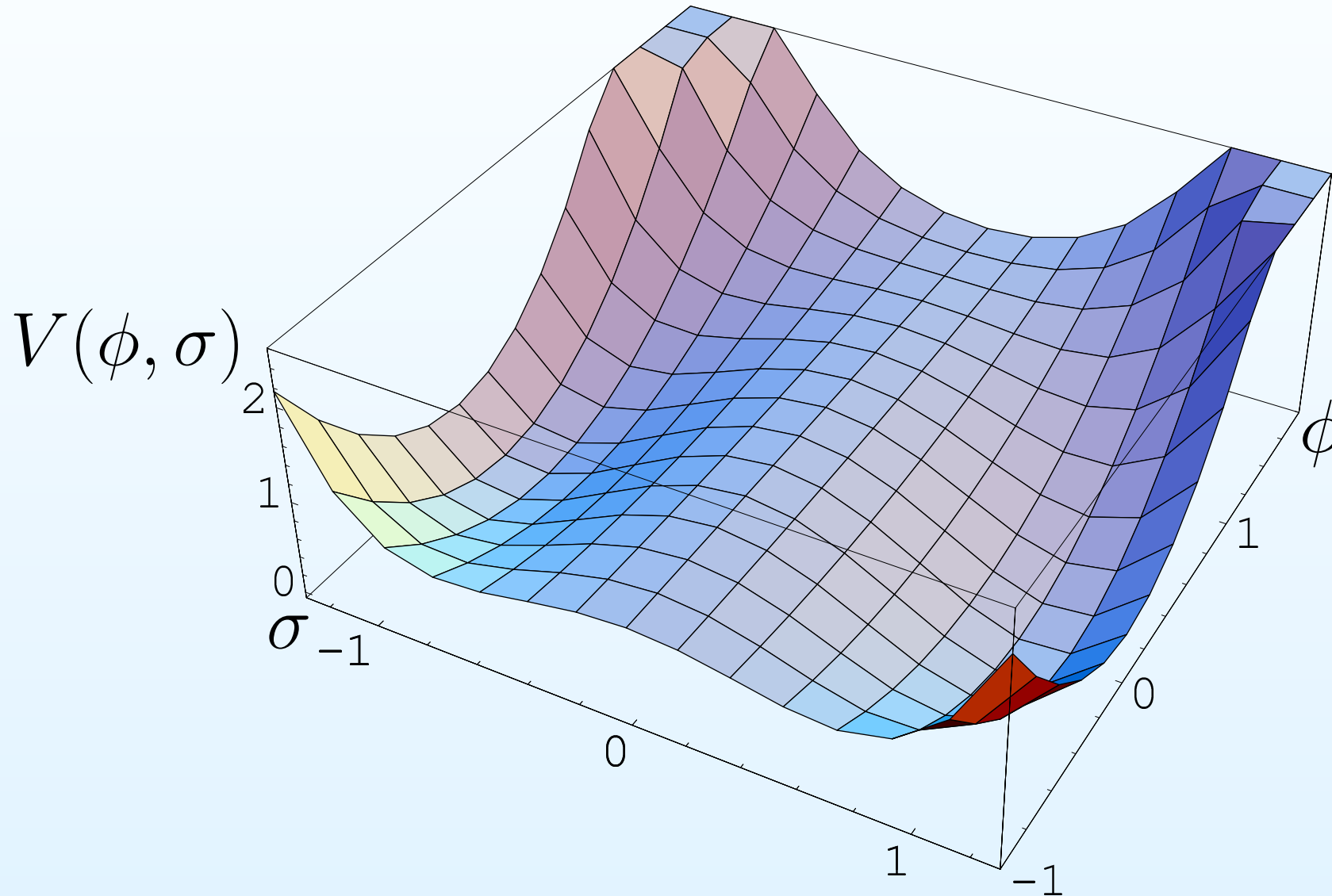
β : Mass parameter

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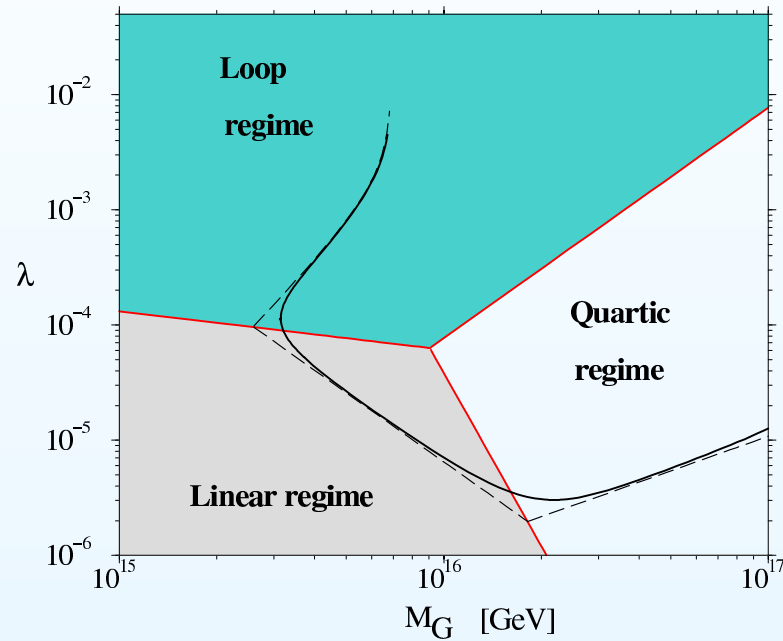
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Hybrid Inflation Scalar Potential



Parameter Space



Slope dominated by either

- Linear SUGRA correction
- Quartic SUGRA corrections
- Coleman-Weinberg loop corrections

[Buchmüller, Covi, Delépine '00]

Constrained by WMAP normalisation

Symmetries

$$W = \lambda \Phi (M_G^2 - \Sigma^2) + M_S^2 (\beta + S)$$

is symmetric under $\Sigma \rightarrow -\Sigma \quad \Rightarrow$ Domain wall problem!

Solution:

Use continuous instead of discrete symmetry, e. g.

$$W = \lambda \Phi (M_G^2 - \Sigma_+ \Sigma_-) + M_S^2 (\beta + S)$$

Σ_{\pm} have opposite charges under a U(1) symmetry

$$\Sigma_{\pm} \rightarrow e^{\pm ig\Lambda} \Sigma_{\pm}$$

Symmetries

Spontaneous breaking of global symmetry
→ Goldstone boson

Goals:

- Analyse dynamics of the phase transition in the globally symmetric case
- Compare semi-analytical (Hartree) approximation to lattice simulation with LatticeEasy [Felder, Tkachev '01]
- Estimate the effect of the gauge field in the locally symmetric case

Global U(1) Symmetry

Redefine the fields: $\Theta_{\pm} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\Sigma_{+} \pm \Sigma_{-}^*)$

Scalar potential

$$V = \lambda^2 \left[M_G^4 + |\Theta_{+}|^2 (\phi^2 - M_G^2) + |\Theta_{-}|^2 (\phi^2 + M_G^2) + \frac{1}{4} |\Theta_{+}^2 - \Theta_{-}^2|^2 \right] + \dots$$

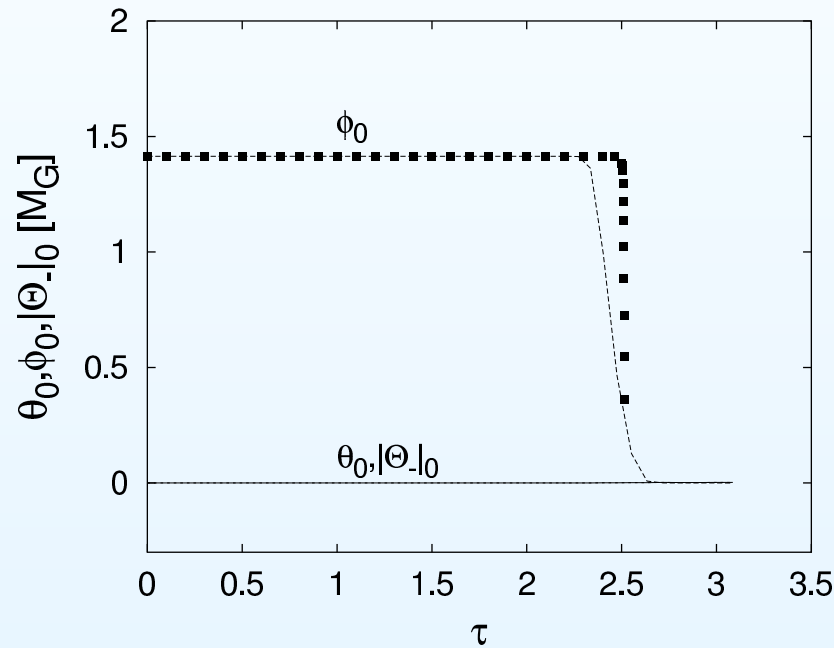
Neglecting fields with positive mass leads to

$$V \simeq \lambda^2 \left[M_G^4 + \frac{1}{4} (\phi^2 - 2M_G^2) \theta^2 + \frac{1}{16} \theta^4 \right] + \dots$$

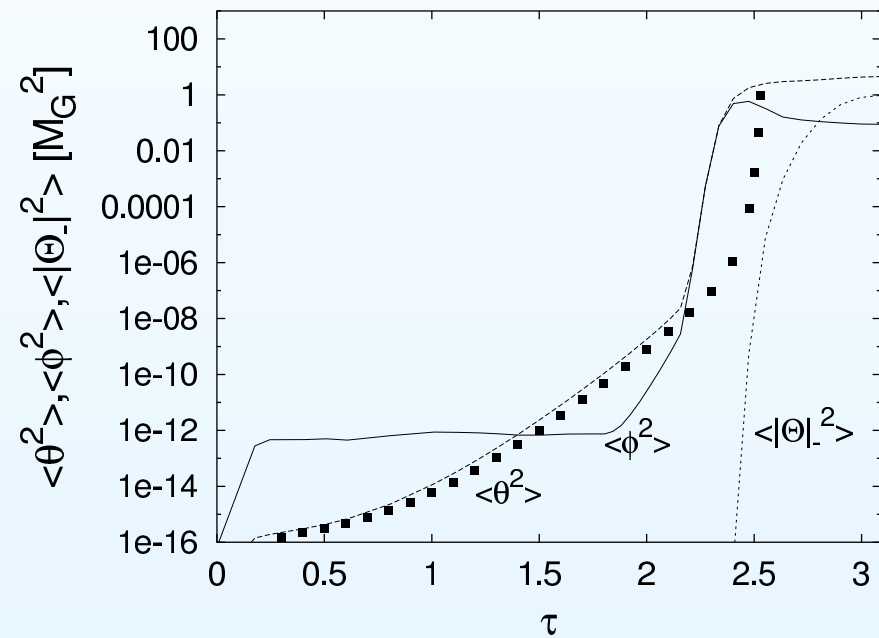
with $\Theta_{+} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \theta e^{-i\gamma/2M_G}$ γ : Goldstone boson

Dynamics of the Phase Transition

Homogeneous part



Fluctuations



[Covi, JH, Janutta (in preparation)]

Local U(1) Symmetry

What's different in the local case?

- Gauge field A_μ
Induces effective mass term for θ field:

$$\Delta\mathcal{L}_g = -g^2\theta^2 A_\mu A^\mu \simeq -g^2\theta^2 \langle A_\mu A^\mu \rangle$$

- D -Term

$$V_D = \frac{g^2}{2} (\Theta_+^* \Theta_- + \Theta_+ \Theta_-^*)^2$$

- Unitary gauge $\rightarrow \gamma = 0$

The Gauge Field

Split A_μ into components and Fourier transform:

- \hat{A}_0 - Not an independent d.o.f., depends on \hat{A}_\parallel
- $\hat{A}_\parallel \equiv \frac{1}{k} \vec{k} \cdot \vec{\hat{A}}$ - Longitudinal component

$$\ddot{\hat{A}}_\parallel + \left(H \frac{3k^2 + a^2 g^2 \langle \theta^2 \rangle}{k^2 + a^2 g^2 \langle \theta^2 \rangle} + \frac{\langle \theta \dot{\theta} \rangle}{\langle \theta^2 \rangle} \frac{2k^2}{k^2 + a^2 g^2 \langle \theta^2 \rangle} \right) \dot{\hat{A}}_\parallel + \left(\frac{k^2}{a^2} + g^2 \langle \theta^2 \rangle \right) \hat{A}_\parallel = 0$$

- $\hat{A}_\perp \equiv \frac{1}{k} \epsilon_{lmn} k_m \hat{A}_n$ - Transverse component

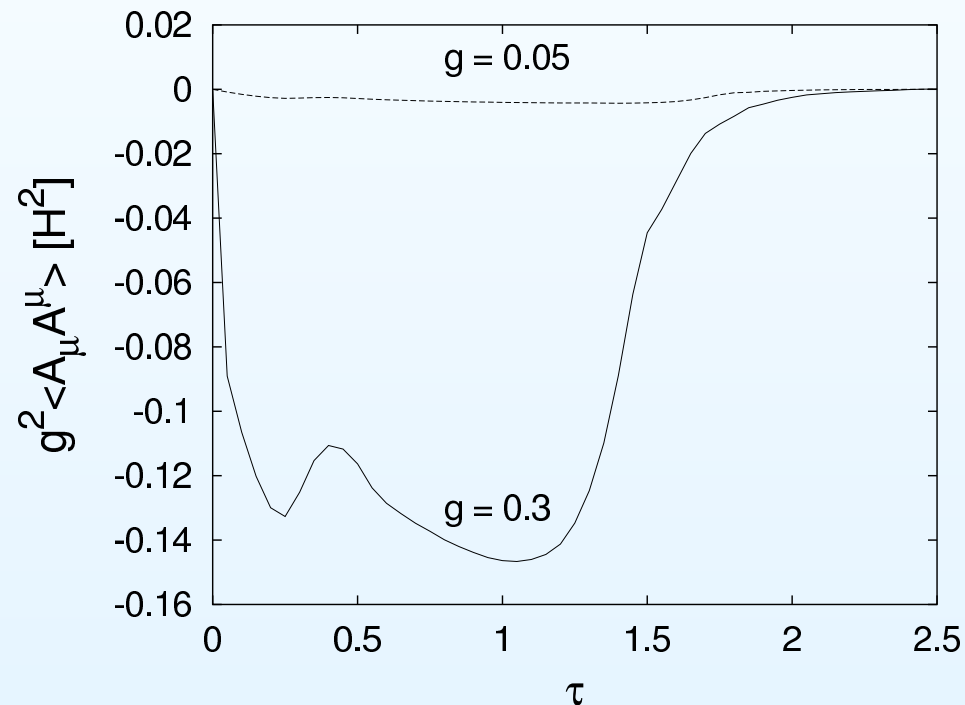
$$\ddot{\hat{A}}_\perp + H \dot{\hat{A}}_\perp + \left(\frac{k^2}{a^2} + g^2 \langle \theta^2 \rangle \right) \hat{A}_\perp = 0$$

$$\left[\text{Massive scalar field } X: (\square + m^2)X + 3H\dot{X} = 0 \Rightarrow \ddot{X} + 3H\dot{X} + \left(\frac{k^2}{a^2} + m^2 \right) X = 0 \right]$$

Gauge field

Transverse and longitudinal component become massive after symmetry breaking

⇒ Higgs mechanism



$\left| \frac{g^2}{H^2} \langle A_\mu A^\mu \rangle \right| \ll 1$
 ⇒ Effect on dynamics negligible

$$\left[\ddot{\theta}_k + \left(\frac{k^2}{a^2} + \lambda^2 \langle \phi^2 \rangle - M_G^2 + 3\lambda^2 \langle \theta^2 \rangle - g^2 \langle A_\mu A^\mu \rangle - \frac{9}{4} H^2 \right) \theta_k = 0 \right]$$

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