Scale symmetry, the Higgs and the Cosmos

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If the mass of the Higgs boson is put to zero in the SM, the Lagrangian has a larger symmetry

$$x^{\mu} \to \alpha^{-1} x^{\mu} \qquad \Phi_i(x) \to \alpha^{d_i} \Phi_i(\alpha^{-1} x)$$

It is tempting to use this symmetry for something



The players



The simplest possibility



Scale symmetry must be broken in one way or another

2 different perspectives

Classical but not Quantum



EFT



The Higgs-Dilaton model
$$\frac{\mathcal{L}}{\sqrt{g}} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\xi_{\chi} \chi^2 + \xi_h h^2 \right) R - \frac{1}{2} (\partial h)^2 - \frac{1}{2} (\partial \chi)^2 - U(h, \chi)$$
with $U(h, \chi) = \frac{\lambda}{4} \left(h^2 - \alpha \chi^2 \right)^2$

A singlet under the Standard Model gauge group All scales generated by SSB of global scale invariance Hierarchy of scales not addressed

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Einstein-frame formulation

$$\frac{\tilde{\mathcal{L}}}{\sqrt{-\tilde{g}}} = \frac{M_P^2}{2}\tilde{R} - \frac{1}{2}\gamma_{ab}(\Omega)\tilde{g}^{\mu\nu}\partial_\mu\varphi^a\partial_\nu\varphi^b - V(\varphi)$$

Asymptotically flat

Vacuum is infinitely degenerate

Physics independent of dilaton value



$$\gamma_{ab}(\Omega) = \frac{1}{\Omega^2} \left(\delta_{ab} + y \times \frac{3}{2} M_{\rm P}^2 \frac{\partial_a \Omega^2 \partial_b \Omega^2}{\Omega^2} \right)$$
$$R_{\gamma_{ab}} \neq 0 \quad \text{unless} \quad \xi_h \neq \xi_{\chi}$$

Isocurvature fluctuations and non-gaussianities?

Inertial symmetry breaking



$$D_{\mu}J^{\mu} = 0 \longrightarrow \Box \Phi^2 = 0$$

Independent of slow-roll

Insensitive to IR form of the potential

Easily applicable to other scenarios

$$\exp\left[\frac{2\gamma\Phi}{M_{\rm P}}\right] \equiv \frac{\kappa_c}{\kappa} \frac{(1+6\,y\,\xi_h)h^2 + (1+6\,y\,\xi_\chi)\chi^2}{M_{\rm P}^2} \quad \gamma^{-2}\Theta \equiv \frac{(1+6\,y\,\xi_h)h^2 + (1+6\,y\,\xi_\chi)\chi^2}{\xi_h h^2 + \xi_\chi \chi^2}$$
$$\kappa_c \equiv -\frac{\xi_h}{1+6y\xi_h} \qquad \kappa \equiv \kappa_c \left(1-\frac{\xi_\chi}{\xi_h}\right) \qquad \gamma \equiv \sqrt{\frac{\xi_\chi}{1+6y\xi_\chi}}$$

The pole structure



 $\bullet \qquad \Theta > 0 \qquad \qquad \kappa \Theta + c < 0$

A geometrical interpretation

 κ is the Gaussian curvature (in units of M_P) of the manifold spanned by $\varphi_1 = \Theta$ and $\varphi_2 = \Phi$

$$\frac{\mathcal{L}}{\sqrt{g}} = \frac{M_P^2}{2} R - \frac{1}{2} \gamma_{ab}(\varphi_1) g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \varphi^a \partial_\nu \varphi^b - V(\varphi_1)$$

For large field values, the field space of the Higgs-Dilaton model is MAXIMALLY SYMMETRIC

$$\kappa \equiv \kappa_c \left(1 - \frac{\xi_{\chi}}{\xi_h} \right)$$

Inflationary observables



No free parameters left

Onset of hot big bang



No extra relativistic degrees of freedom

A bunch of nice properties

- 1. 2-field but single field dynamics
- 2. Maximally symmetric E-frame kin. sector
- 3. No isocurvature perturbations
- 4. Excellent agreement with observations
- 5. No fifth-force effects
- 6. Massless field without massless d.o.f.

Late-time acceleration ?



SI and Unimodular gravity

General Relativity

CC at the level of the action

$$S = \int d^4x \left(\mathcal{L} \left(g_{\mu\nu}, \partial g_{\mu\nu}, \Phi, \partial \Phi \right) + \mathbf{\Lambda_0} \right)$$

Unrestricted metric determinant

|g|

Unimodular Gravity

$$S = \int d^4 x \mathcal{L} \left(g_{\mu\nu}, \partial g_{\mu\nu}, \Phi, \partial \Phi \right)$$

Restricted metric determinant

$$|g| = 1$$
 $\partial_{\mu}\lambda(x) = 0$

The Cosmological Constant reappears ...

... with a very different interpretation: the strength of a potential

$$U_{\Lambda}(\Phi) = \frac{\Lambda_0}{c^2} e^{-\frac{4\gamma\Phi}{M_P}}$$

Back to the 80's! C. Wetterich 1988



All the new parameters determined by inflation

Consistency relations



with

$$F(\Omega_{\rm DE}) = \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{\Omega_{\rm DE}}} - \Delta \tanh^{-1} \sqrt{\Omega_{\rm DE}}\right]^2 \qquad \Delta \equiv \frac{1 - \Omega_{\rm DE}}{\Omega_{\rm DE}}$$

Present data constraints



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Consistency relations



$$n_s = 1 - \frac{2}{N_*} X \coth X \qquad r = \frac{2}{|\kappa_c| N_*^2} X^2 \sinh^{-2} X \qquad X \equiv 4cN_* = \frac{3N_*(1+w)}{4F(\Omega_{\rm DE})}$$

Future surveys

* Dark Energy Spectroscopic Instrument (DESI) ground-based experiment (Arizona) 30 million spectroscopic redshifts 2018

*Euclid satellite 100 million spectroscopic redshifts 2019 --> 2020 --> 2021--> ?

* Square Kilometer Array (SKA1 and SKA2) array of radio telescopes (S. Africa & Australia) 1000 million spectroscopic redshifts 2030

Fisher forecast

Models centered on the fiducial values obtained from its own MCMC run Rotated ellipses indicate changes in correlations

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Correlation matrices

This breaks degeneracies in param.space/ helps to constrain other

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Dilaton as part of the metric

TDiff: minimal gauge group including spin-2 polarizations

$$x^{\mu} \mapsto \tilde{x}^{\mu}(x), \text{ with } J \equiv \left| \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^{\mu}}{\partial x^{\nu}} \right| = 1 \quad with \quad \begin{cases} \delta x^{\mu} = \xi^{\mu} \\ \partial_{\mu} \xi^{\mu} = 0 \end{cases}$$

TDiff action contains arbitrary functions of g

$$\frac{\mathcal{L}_{\text{TDiff}}}{\sqrt{g}} = \frac{\rho^2 f(g)}{2} R - \frac{1}{2} \rho^2 G_{gg}(g) (\partial g)^2 - \frac{1}{2} G_{\rho\rho}(g) (\partial \rho)^2 - G_{\rho g}(g) \rho \,\partial g \cdot \partial \rho - \rho^4 v(g)$$

invariant under $g_{\mu\nu}(x) \to g_{\mu\nu}(\lambda x) \qquad \rho(x) \mapsto \lambda \rho(\lambda x)$

TDiff as Diff

TDiff action describes 3 propagating degrees of freedom A equivalent Diff version can be obtained using the Stückelberg trick

J-frame

$$a = J^{-2} \qquad \qquad \theta = g/a$$

$$\begin{split} \frac{\mathcal{L}_{\text{Diff}}}{\sqrt{g}} &= \frac{\rho^2 f(\theta)}{2} R - \frac{1}{2} \rho^2 G_{gg}(\theta) (\partial \theta)^2 - \frac{1}{2} G_{\rho\rho}(\theta) (\partial \rho)^2 - G_{\rho g}(\theta) \rho \, \partial \theta \cdot \partial \rho - \rho^4 v(\theta) \\ \text{invariant under} \quad g_{\mu\nu}(x) \to g_{\mu\nu}(\lambda x) \qquad \rho(x) \mapsto \lambda \rho(\lambda x) \qquad \theta(x) \mapsto \theta(\lambda x) \\ & \text{Goldstone} \end{split}$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{L}}{\sqrt{g}} = \frac{M_P^2}{2}R - \frac{M_P^2}{2} \left[K_{\theta\theta}(\theta)(\partial\theta)^2 + 2K_{\theta\rho}(\theta)(\partial\theta)(\partial\log\rho/M_P) + K_{\rho\rho}(Z)(\partial\log\rho/M_P)^2 \right] - V(\theta)$$

Which sets of theory defining functions give rise to the same inflationary observables?

 n_s

Canonical field stretching

$$\frac{\mathcal{L}}{\sqrt{g}} = \frac{M_P^2}{2}R - \frac{M_P^2}{2}\left[-\frac{(\partial K_{\rho\rho})^2}{4K_{\rho\rho}(\kappa_0 K_{\rho\rho} + c)} + K_{\rho\rho}(\partial\rho)^2\right] - V(K_{\rho\rho})$$

Canonically normalized field

$$\phi = \int \frac{dK_{\rho\rho}}{\sqrt{4 \ K_{\rho\rho}(|\kappa_0|K_{\rho\rho} - c)}}$$

The pole structure

$$\frac{\mathcal{L}}{\sqrt{g}} = \frac{M_P^2}{2}R - \frac{M_P^2}{2} \left[-\frac{(\partial K_{\rho\rho})^2}{4K_{\rho\rho}(\kappa_0 K_{\rho\rho} + c)} + K_{\rho\rho}(\partial\rho)^2 \right] - V(K_{\rho\rho})$$

$$\begin{aligned} |c| \to 0 \\ K_{\rho\rho} \to |c/\kappa_0| \to 0 \end{aligned} \qquad \begin{array}{l} \text{Quadratic pole Asymptotic flatness} \\ K_{\rho\rho} = e^{-2\sqrt{|\kappa_0|}\frac{\phi}{M_P}} \end{aligned}$$
$$\begin{aligned} |c| \neq 0 \\ K_{\rho\rho} = 0 \text{ unreachable} \end{aligned} \qquad \begin{array}{l} \text{Linear pole Restricted flatness} \\ K_{\rho\rho} = \frac{c}{-\kappa_0}\cosh^2\left(\frac{\sqrt{-\kappa_0}\phi}{M_P}\right) \\ \frac{M_P}{\sqrt{-\kappa_0}} \text{ non-compact analog of axion decay constant} \end{aligned}$$

Inflationary observables

$$\frac{\mathcal{L}}{\sqrt{g}} = \frac{M_P^2}{2}R - \frac{M_P^2}{2} \left[-\frac{(\partial K_{\rho\rho})^2}{4K_{\rho\rho}(\kappa_0 K_{\rho\rho} + c)} + K_{\rho\rho}(\partial\rho)^2 \right] - V(K_{\rho\rho})$$

$$\begin{aligned} |c| &\to 0 \\ K_{\rho\rho} \to |c/\kappa_0| \to 0 \end{aligned} \qquad \begin{array}{l} \text{Quadratic pole} \\ n_s &\simeq 1 - \frac{2}{N} \qquad r \simeq \frac{2}{|\kappa_0|N^2} \\ \\ |c| &\neq 0 \\ K_{\rho\rho} &= 0 \text{ unreachable} \end{aligned} \qquad \begin{array}{l} \text{Linear pole } \mathcal{O}\left(c^2/\kappa_0\right) \\ n_s &\approx 1 - 4|c| \qquad r \approx 32|c|^2 \ e^{-4|c|N|} \end{aligned}$$

We deal with an EFT

Cutoffs are parametrically larger than all the energy scales involved in the history of the Universe

Beyond EFT?

- 1. Self-healing mechanism? Borel summation?
- 2. Introducing new degrees of freedom?
 - additional scalar fields?
 - higher order curvature corrections?
- 3. Asymptotic safety?

Conclusions

Higgs-Dilaton Cosmology: A SI + UG EFT extension of the SM

- Inflation with a graceful exit
- Dark energy without CC
- Appealing:
 - No fifth forces
 - No non-gaussianities
 - No isocurvature perturbations.
 - No extra relativistic degrees of freedom at BBN.
 - Non-trivial relations between inflationary and DE observables

Massless dilaton: unique source for masses / scales.

Natural embedding in a TDiff framework: dilaton as a metric d.o.f

