

Scalaron the Mighty

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In a few words. . .

We show that

in R^2 -inflation

the most universal interaction

— gravity —

fully responsible for the reheating

is also capable of producing

dark matter (free heavy fermions)

and

baryon asymmetry (leptogenesis via see-saw sterile neutrinos)

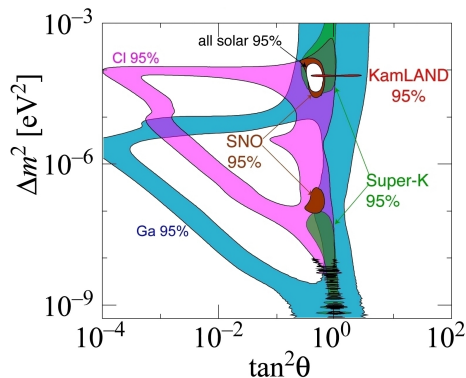
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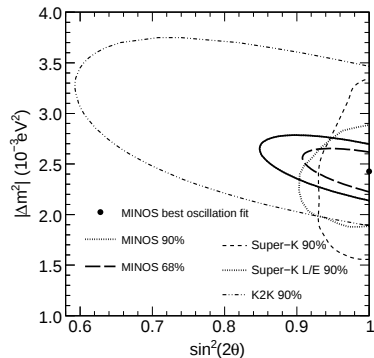
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Neutrino Oscillations: Masses and Mixing



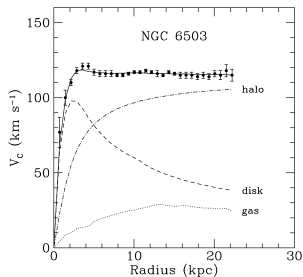
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Baryons and Dark Matter in Astrophysics

Rotation curves



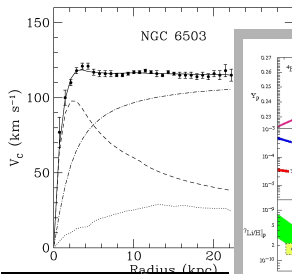
Gravitational lensing



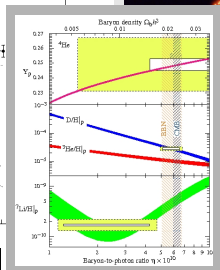
“Bullet” cluster

Baryons and Dark Matter in Cosmology

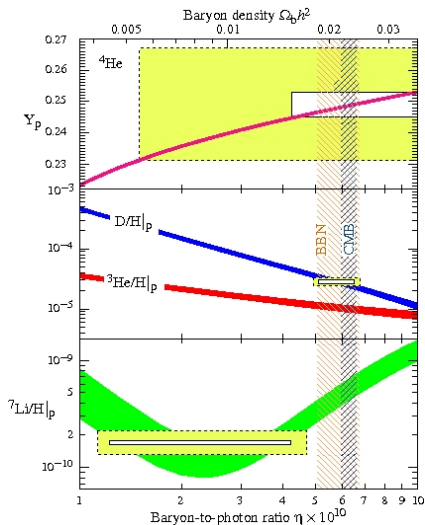
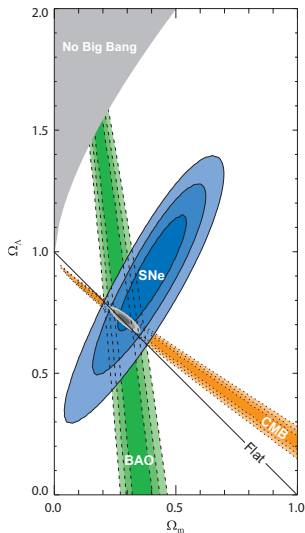
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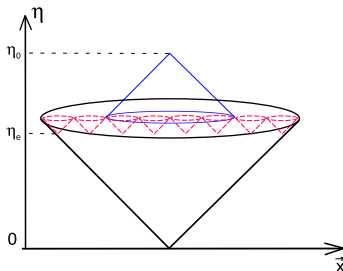
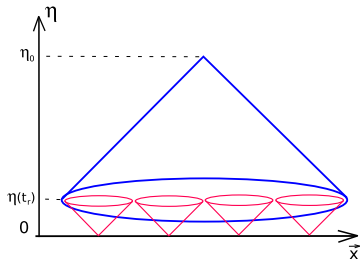
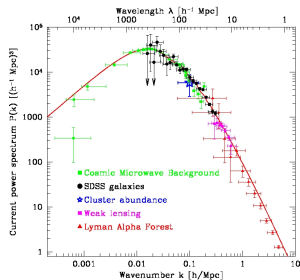
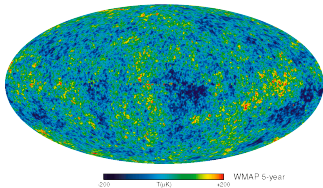
Cosmological parameters: $\Omega_{DM} = 0.22$, $\Omega_B = 0.046$



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Inflationary solution of Hot Big Bang problems



True Extension of the Standard Model should

- Reproduce the correct neutrino oscillations
- Contain the viable DM candidate
- Be capable of explaining the baryon asymmetry of the Universe
- Have the inflationary mechanism operating at early times

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Inflation: R^2 term

$$S^{JF} = -\frac{M_P^2}{2} \int \sqrt{-g} d^4x \left(R - \frac{R^2}{\mu^2} \right) + S_{matter}^{JF} ,$$

Jordan Frame $\rightarrow$ Einstein Frame

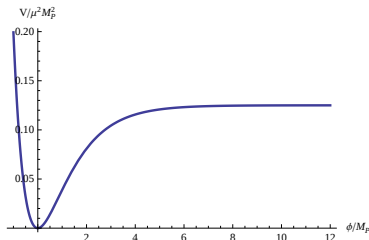
A.Starobinsky (1979,1980)

$$g_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow \tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = \chi g_{\mu\nu} , \quad \chi = \exp \left(\sqrt{2/3} \phi / M_P \right) .$$

$$S^{EF} = \int \sqrt{-\tilde{g}} d^4x \left[-\frac{M_P^2}{2} \tilde{R} + \frac{1}{2} \tilde{g}^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - \frac{\mu^2 M_P^2}{8} \left(1 - \frac{1}{\chi(\phi)} \right)^2 \right] + S_{matter}^{EF} ,$$

generation of (almost) scale-invariant scalar perturbations from frozen in quantum fluctuations

$\delta\rho/\rho \sim 10^{-5}$ requires
 $\mu = \sqrt{6} m_\phi \approx 3.2 \times 10^{-5} M_P$



Post-inflationary Reheating: provided by gravity

$$S_{matter}^{JF} = S(g_{\mu\nu}, \phi, A_\mu, \dots) \rightarrow S_{matter}^{EF} = S(\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}, \phi, A_\mu, \dots)$$

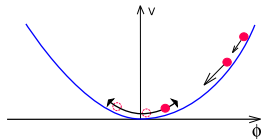
$$g_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow \tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = \chi g_{\mu\nu}, \quad \chi = \exp\left(\sqrt{2/3} \phi / M_P\right).$$

for free (in the Jordan frame) scalar and fermion field:

$$S_s^{EF} = \int \sqrt{-\tilde{g}} d^4x \left(\frac{1}{2} \tilde{g}^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \tilde{\phi} \partial_\nu \tilde{\phi} - \frac{1}{2\chi} m_s^2 \tilde{\phi}^2 - \frac{\tilde{\phi}^2}{12 M_P^2} \tilde{g}^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - \frac{\tilde{\phi}}{\sqrt{6} M_P} \tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \tilde{\phi} \partial_\nu \phi \right),$$

$$S_\psi^{EF} = \int \sqrt{-\tilde{g}} d^4x \left(i \tilde{\bar{\psi}} \tilde{\gamma}^\mu \partial_\mu \psi - \frac{m_\psi}{\sqrt{\chi}} \tilde{\bar{\psi}} \tilde{\psi} \right).$$

$$\phi \rightarrow \tilde{\phi} = \chi^{-1/2} \phi, \quad \psi \rightarrow \tilde{\psi} = \chi^{-3/4} \psi$$



Reheating: decay of scalarons

$$\rho_\phi = m_\phi^2 \phi^2 / 2 = m_\phi n_\phi \rightarrow \rho_{rad} \propto T^4$$

$$\Gamma_{\phi \rightarrow ss} = \frac{m_\phi^3}{384\pi M_P^2} \left(1 - 2 \frac{m_s^2}{m_\phi^2}\right)^2,$$

$$\Gamma_{\phi \rightarrow \bar{\psi}\psi} = \frac{m_\phi m_\psi^2}{12\pi M_P^2}.$$

$$T_{reh} \approx 1.3 \times 10^{-2} \times g_*^{-1/4} \cdot \left(\frac{N_{scalars} \mu^3}{M_P} \right)^{1/2},$$

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for the SM with 4 scalar degrees of freedom:

$$T_{reh} \approx 4 \times 10^9 \text{ GeV}$$

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Dark Matter generation in scalaron decays

The same universal messenger: gravity

$$\rho_\phi = m_\phi^2 \phi^2 / 2 = m_\phi n_\phi \rightarrow \rho_{DM} = m_{DM} n_{DM}$$

$$\Gamma_{\phi \rightarrow ss} = \frac{m_\phi^3}{384\pi M_P^2} \left(1 - 2 \frac{m_s^2}{m_\phi^2}\right)^2,$$

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$$m_s = 20 \text{ keV} \times \left(\frac{3.2 \times 10^{-5} M_P}{\mu}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{N_{scalars}}{4}\right) \left(\frac{106.75}{g_*}\right)^{3/4} \left(\frac{\Omega_{DM}}{0.223}\right),$$

$$m_f = 10^7 \text{ GeV} \times \left(\frac{\mu}{3.2 \times 10^{-5} M_P}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{N_{scalars}}{4}\right)^{1/3} \left(\frac{106.75}{g_*}\right)^{1/4} \left(\frac{\Omega_{DM}}{0.223}\right)^{1/3}.$$

Heavier stable particles are excluded!

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Seesaw neutrinos from scalaron decays

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$$\rho_\phi = m_\phi^2 \phi^2 / 2 = m_\phi n_\phi \rightarrow \rho_N = m_N n_N$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{JF} = i\bar{N}_I \gamma^\mu \partial_\mu N_I - y_{\alpha I} \bar{L}_\alpha N_I \tilde{\Phi} - \frac{M_I}{2} \bar{N}_I^c N_I + h.c.$$

$$\frac{n_{N_I}}{s}(T_{reh}) = 0.7 \times 10^{-3} \times \left(\frac{M_I}{5 \times 10^{12} \text{ GeV}} \right)^2.$$

seesaw mechanism:

neutrino of $M_N > 10^{10}$ GeV decays before reheating:

$$m_{\nu \alpha\beta} = - \sum_I y_{\alpha I} \frac{v^2}{M_I} y_{\beta I},$$

$$\Gamma_{N_I} = \frac{M_I}{4\pi} \sum_\alpha |y_{\alpha I}|^2 \sim \frac{\sqrt{\Delta m_{atm}^2}}{2\pi} \frac{M_I^2}{v^2}.$$

Lepton asymmetry from seesaw neutrino decays

Only the lightest sterile neutrino contribution ($I = 1, 2$, $M_1 \ll M_2$) is enough

$$\delta_L = \frac{\Gamma(N_1 \rightarrow hl) - \Gamma(N_1 \rightarrow h\bar{l})}{\Gamma_{N_1}^{tot}} \lesssim \frac{M_1 \sqrt{\Delta m_{atm}^2}}{6\pi v^2}$$

an order of magnitude estimate for the asymmetry right before the reheating

$$\Delta_L = \frac{n_L}{s} = \delta_L \cdot \frac{n_{N_1}}{s} \lesssim 1.7 \times 10^{-7} \times \left(\frac{M_1}{5 \times 10^{12} \text{ GeV}} \right)^3.$$

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Simple inflationary model R^2
extended by **three sterile fermions** (neutrinos)
explains

- active neutrino masses and mixing angles
- DM as 10^7 GeV free fermions
- baryon asymmetry via leptogenesis with seesaw sterile neutrinos of 10^{12} - 10^{13} GeV

All this is due to universal coupling of scalaron to matter provided by **gravity**