Higgs-portal assisted Higgs inflation

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Our whole Universe was in a hot and dense state, then nearly 14 billion years ago (accelerating) expansion started, ..., That all started with the Big Bang!

– The Big Bang Theory



Can Higgs be the inflaton?





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Wait! Quantum Corrections?

In the pure SM case, assuming that the SM is valid all the way up to the (nearly) Planck scale, λ_h can be very small due to the RG effects.



Sketch:

• The Einstein-frame potential is

$$U(h) = \frac{\lambda_h(t)h^4}{4(1 + \xi_h h^2 / M_{\rm P}^2)^2} \,.$$

• Tensor-to-scalar ratio, for example, is given by

$$r \approx \frac{64}{3\xi_h^2} \left(\frac{M_{\rm P}^2}{h}\right)^4 \left[1 + x \frac{\xi_h h^2}{4M_{\rm P}^2}\right]^2,$$

where

$$x \equiv \frac{1}{\lambda_h} \frac{d\lambda_h}{dt} \,.$$

Cosmological observables :



$$x \equiv \frac{1}{\lambda_h} \frac{d\lambda_h}{dt}, \qquad y \equiv \frac{1}{d\lambda_h/dt} \frac{d^2\lambda_h}{dt^2}$$

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	<u>Still</u> ruled out !	Okay, but

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Realisation with Higgs portal

The SM needs to be extended anyway in order to explain, at least, the existence of DM.

We shall see that Higgs-portal interaction, which is generic in hidden-sector DM models, revives the Higgs inflation by weakening the dependence on M_t .

In this work, we choose to work with the SFDM model, where the hidden sector consists of a singlet scalar field S and a fermionic DM-candidate field ψ .

The SM sector and the hidden sector communicate through the Higgs-portal interaction:

$$V_{\text{portal}} = \mu_{SH} S H^{\dagger} H + \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{SH} S^2 H^{\dagger} H \,.$$

Important point is to note that

$$\frac{1}{2}\xi_S S^2 R$$

is generated via RG runnings.



Numerical Analysis

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Note that ξ_h is NOT a free parameter; shall be determined by the Planck normalisation,

$$\mathcal{P}_S \approx 2.2 \times 10^{-9}$$
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In this talk, we discussed

- Higgs inflation in the presence of Higgs-portal interaction
- and how a large tensor-to-scalar ratio can be achieved without resort to a strong dependence on M_t .

Especially, using the model of singlet fermion dark matter as a concrete model, we performed a numerical analysis and showed how it is realised.

We find it amusing that the dark Higgs guarantees the dark matter stability and improves the stability of electroweak vacuum as well as assisting the Higgs inflation at the same time.





Weyl rescaling

[Cervantes-Cota Dehnen 1995][Bezrukov Shaposhnikov 2008] $S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{M_{\rm P}^2}{2} R \left(\xi \phi^2 R\right) - \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - V(\phi) \right]$

: Jordan frame

One can go to the Einstein frame via Weyl transformation:

 $g_{\mu\nu} \to g^{\rm E}_{\mu\nu} = \Omega^2 \, g_{\mu\nu}$

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{M_{\rm P}^2}{2} R - \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \chi \partial_\nu \chi - U(\chi) \right]$$





$$\frac{d\chi}{d\phi} = \frac{1}{\Omega^2} \left[\Omega^2 + 6\xi^2 \left(\frac{\phi}{M_{\rm P}} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$
$$U(\chi) = \frac{V}{\Omega^4}$$

: Einstein frame potential

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 $16\pi^2\beta_{\lambda_H} = 6(1+3s_h^2)\lambda_H^2 + 12\lambda_H\lambda_t^2 - 6\lambda_t^4$

 $+\frac{1}{2}s_s^2\lambda_{HS}^2$

 $-3\lambda_H(3g_2^2+g_1^2)+\frac{3}{8}\left(2g_2^4+(g_2^2+g_1^2)^2\right)$