

# Light Higgs from Pole Attractor

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# Outlook

- Toy 2-field model
- 3-field model
- Cosmological evolution

# Approaches to Gauge Hierarchy Problem

- The traditional approaches (SUSY, CH, GHU) to the problem either provide a symmetry reason for the Higgs mass to be small or lower the Higgs sector cutoff.
- One can also assume that the Higgs mass is allowed to take a large range of values during its cosmological evolution. The evolution stops when the current vev is reached.

*Cosmic Attractor*, Dvali, Vilenkin [0304043]

*Cosmological Relaxation*, Graham, Kaplan, Rajendran [1504.07551]

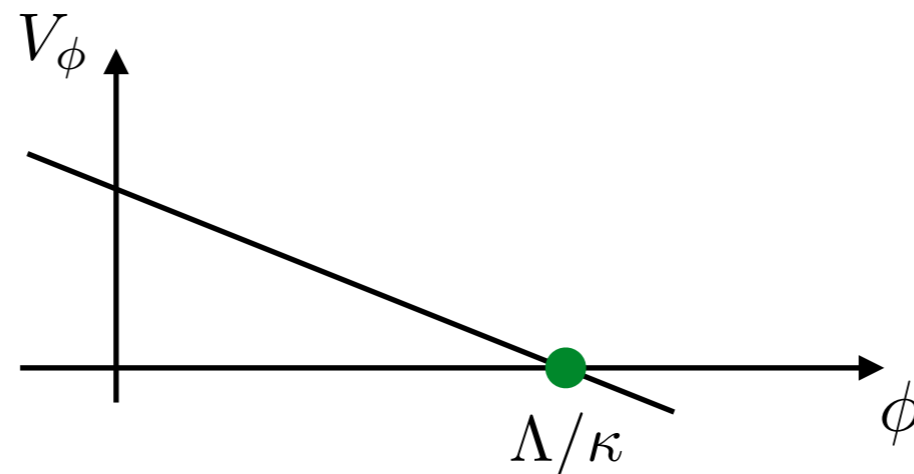
- Lesson from GKR: new solutions to the HP require highly non-“standard” physics

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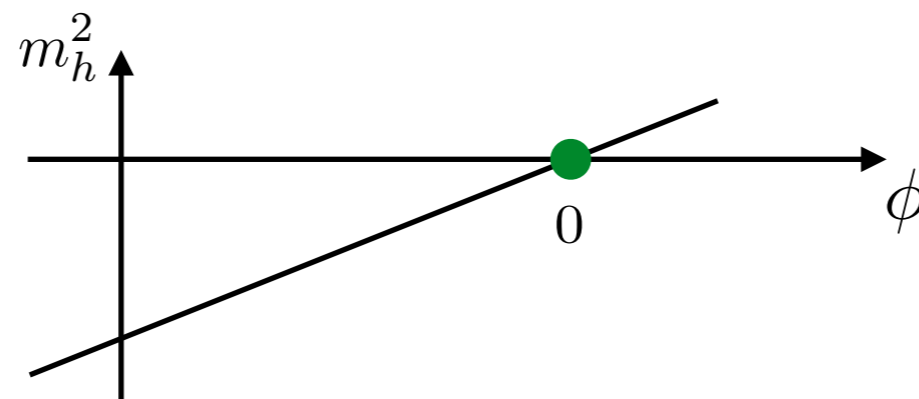
- The Higgs mass is scanned by a field  $\phi$

$$V_h \supset (-\Lambda^2 + \kappa\Lambda\phi) h^2$$

$\Lambda$  - large cutoff,  $\kappa$  - typical  $\phi$  coupling, breaking the shifts



$$(V_\phi = -\kappa\Lambda^3\phi)$$



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- The scanning field evolution freezes close to  $h \sim 0$  point due to exploding non-canonical kinetic term

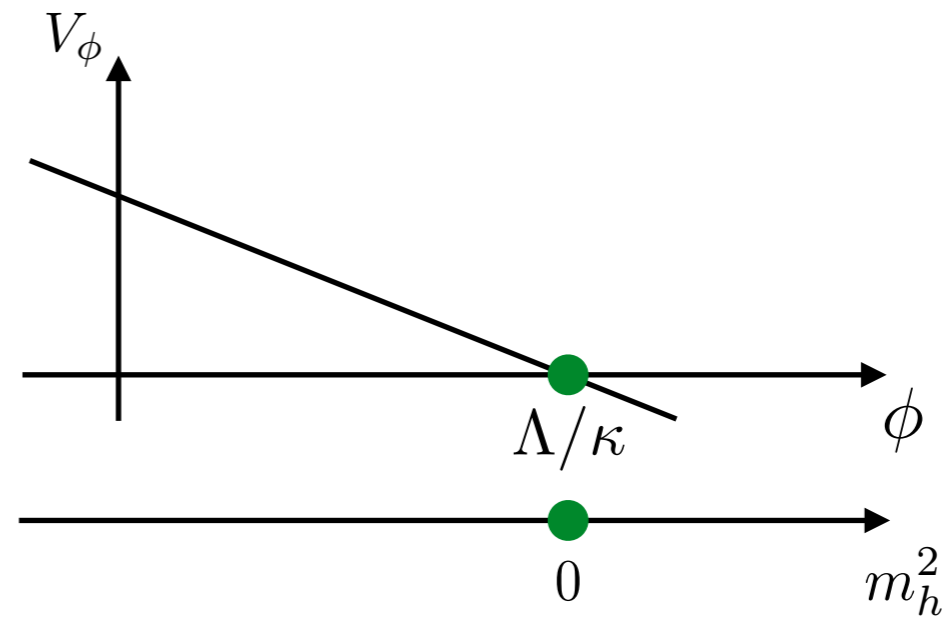
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- Equivalent to stretching of the scanning field potential close to the attractor point  $h \sim 0$

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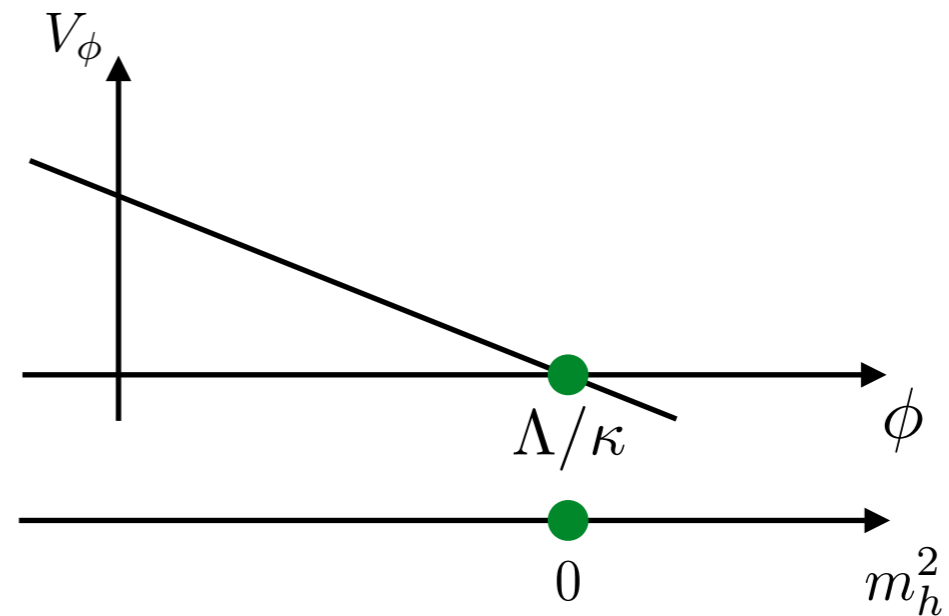
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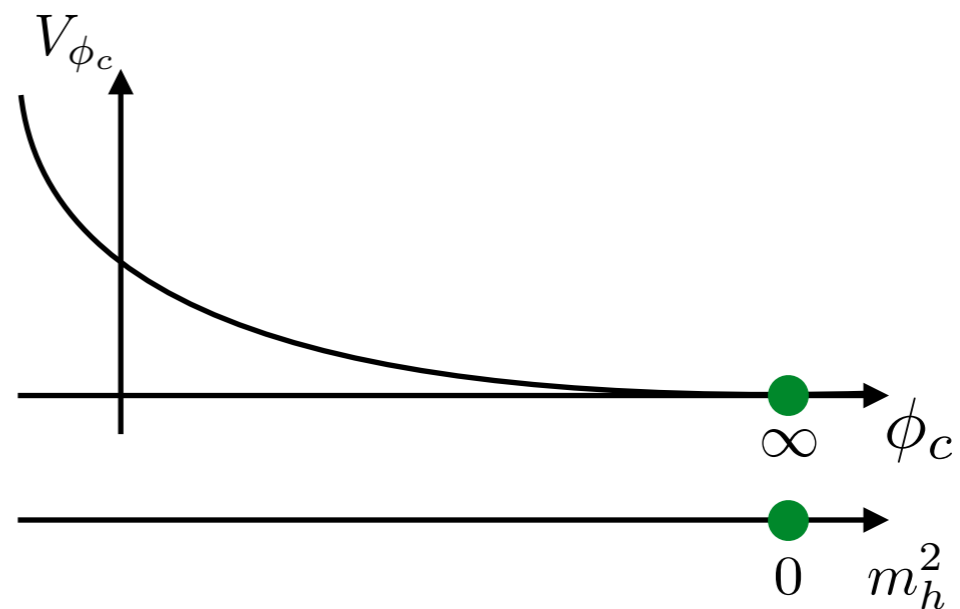
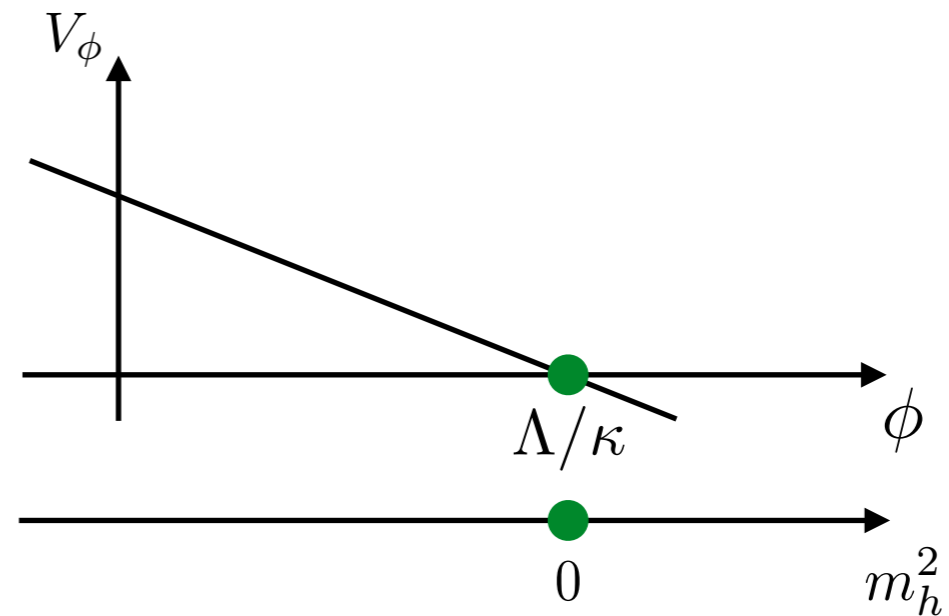
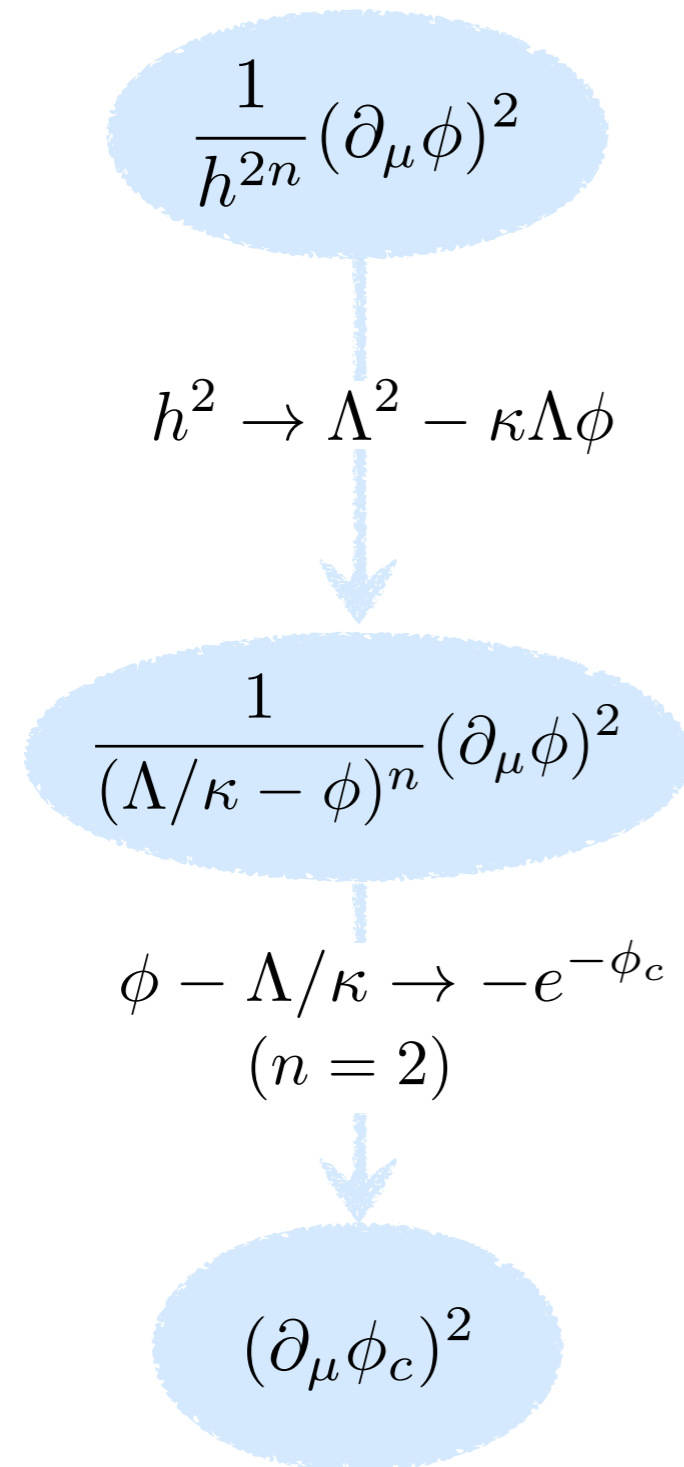
$h^2 \rightarrow \Lambda^2 - \kappa \Lambda \phi$

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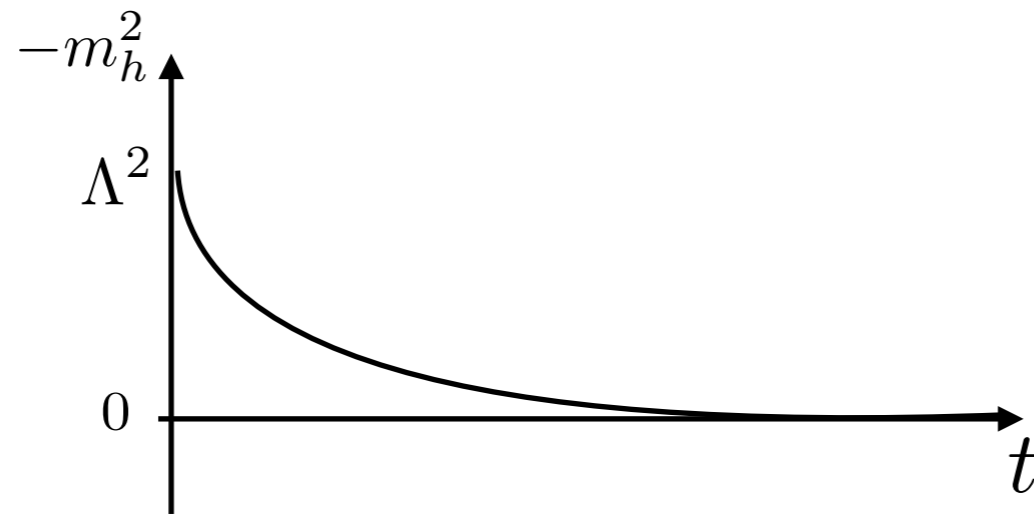


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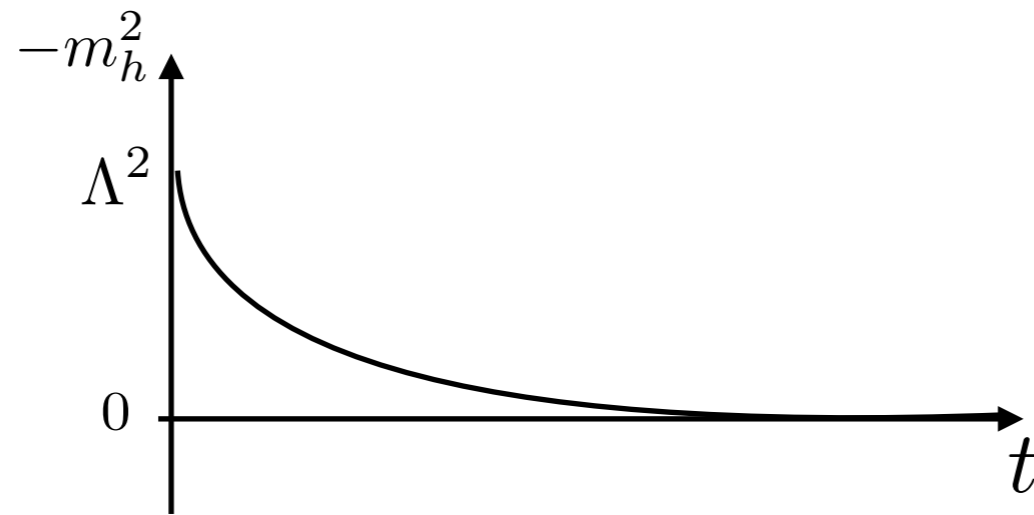
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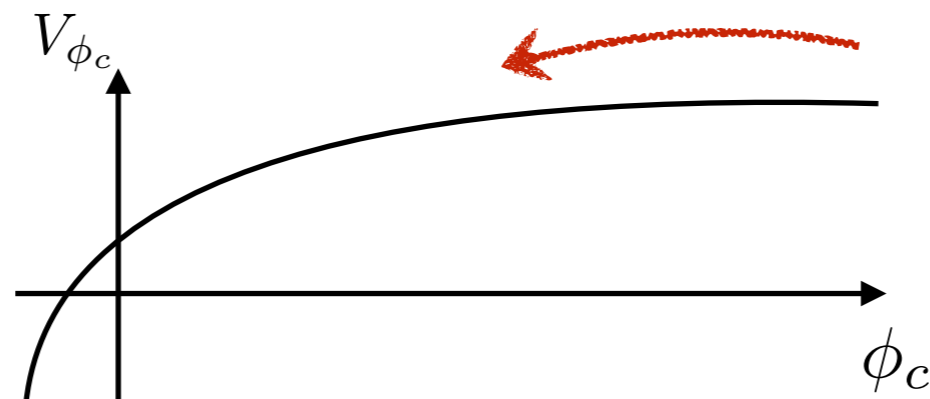


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- Reminiscent of pole inflation



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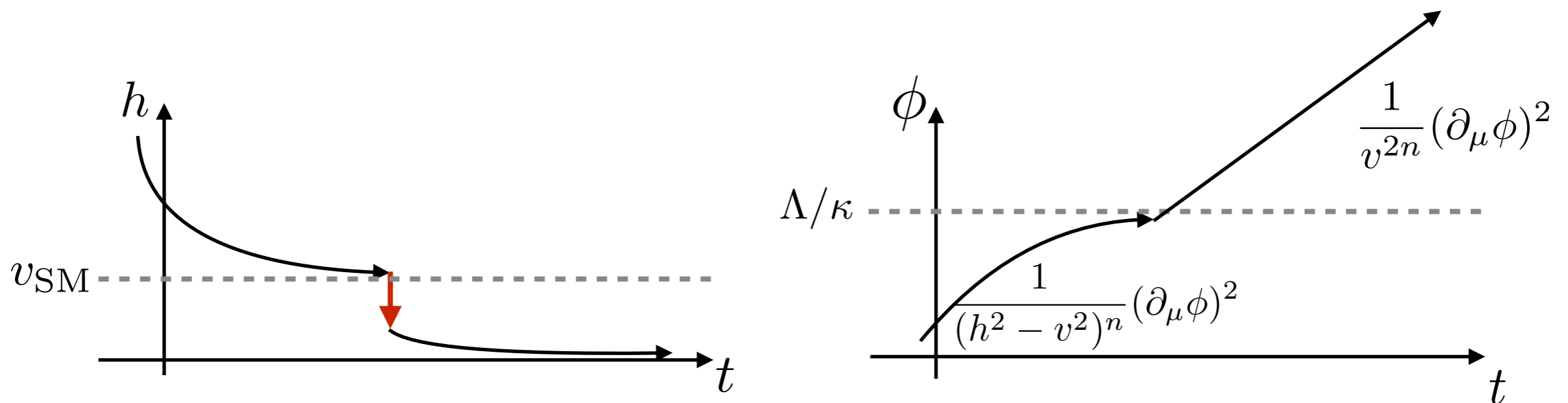
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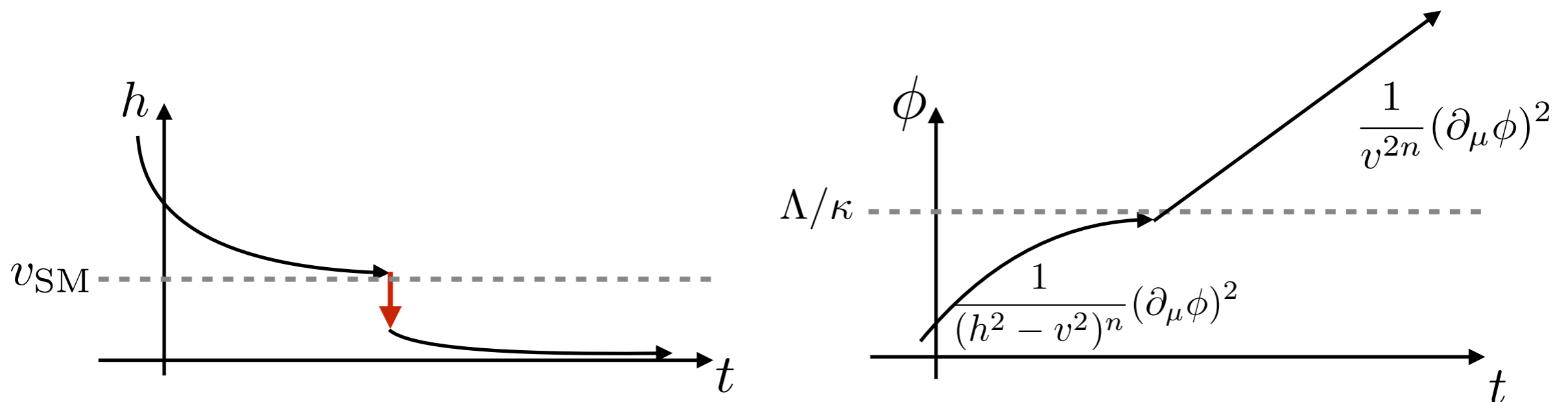
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- Make the  $\rho$  kinetic term non-canonical as well

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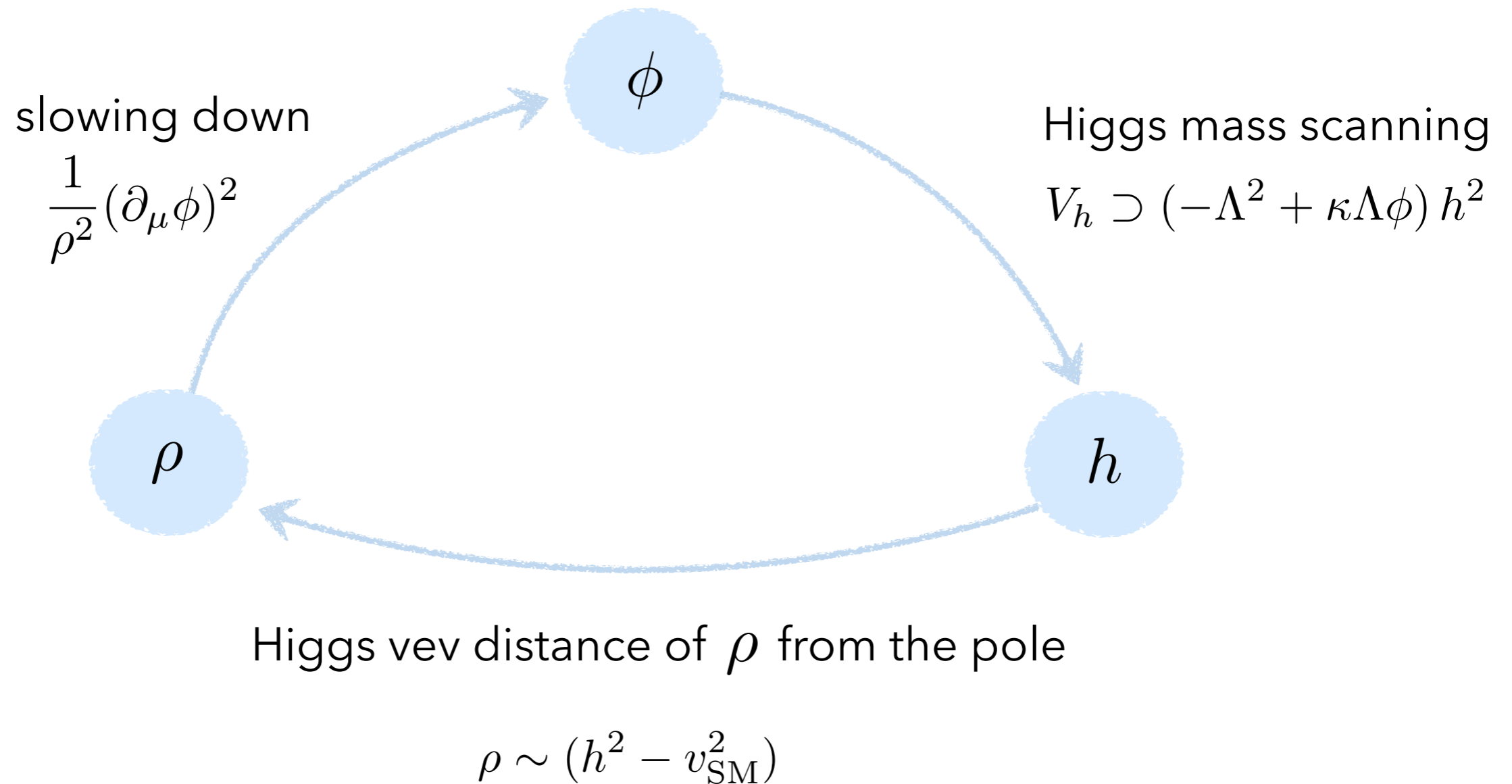
- Again analogy with pole inflation, which can be generated in SUGRA e.g. by a Kahler potential

$$K = -3\alpha \log[T + \bar{T}] \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Re}[T] \sim \rho \\ \text{Im}[T] \sim \phi \end{array}$$



# Towards a Realistic Set-Up

- Relations in the scalar sector



# Towards a Realistic Set-Up: sensitivity to the Higgs

- The  $\rho$  value has to shift to zero as the Higgs vev approaches the SM value.
- Simplest (?) but not unique (?) realisation:

$$V_\rho = \gamma(h^2 - \Delta^2)\rho + \Lambda^2\rho^2$$

$$\rho_{\min} \sim (h^2 - \Delta^2)$$

- Not stable under quantum corrections

$$\gamma h^2 \rho \rightarrow \gamma \tilde{\Lambda}^2 \rho$$

- UV completion at  $\tilde{\Lambda} \ll \Lambda$  : 2HDM

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- predictions

$$m_{h_2}^2 \simeq \frac{y_t^2 g_1^2}{(4\pi)^2} \Lambda^2$$

$$v_{\text{SM}}^2 \simeq \frac{\log[\Lambda^2/m_{h_2}^2]}{(4\pi)^2} m_{h_2}^2$$



$$m_{h_2} \sim \mathcal{O}(\text{TeV})$$

$$\Lambda \sim 10^3 \text{TeV}$$

# Towards a Realistic Set-Up

- $\rho$  behaviour

- e.o.m. of canonically normalized field  $\rho = -\alpha^{1/2} \exp[-\rho_c/\alpha^{1/2}]$

$$\ddot{\rho}_c + 3H\dot{\rho}_c = \gamma(\Delta^2 - h^2) \exp[-\rho_c/\alpha^{1/2}] + 2\alpha^{1/2}\Lambda^2 \exp[-2\rho_c/\alpha^{1/2}] + \frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{\alpha^{1/2}} \exp[2\rho_c/\alpha^{1/2}]$$

- as  $\rho$  potential stretches rho stops following its minimum

- $\phi$  kinetic energy term drives  $\rho$  to zero at low Hubble friction independently of the Higgs vev

# Cosmological Evolution

- The Higgs vev is given by  $h^2 \simeq \Delta^2 \pm (\kappa\Lambda)^2$  when one starts with a positive (negative) Higgs mass
- To complete the scan during inflation we require (neg init mass)
  - inflation unaffected  $\Lambda^4 < H_i^2 M_{\text{Pl}}^2$
  - Higgs in the minimum  $H_i < m_h$
  - enough time for the full scan  $N_e > \frac{10^2}{\kappa^2} \frac{\alpha}{\gamma^2} \frac{H_i^2}{(\kappa\Lambda)^2}$
  - quantum displacement unimportant  $H < 10^{-1} \kappa^{1/3} (\kappa\Lambda) \left( \frac{\gamma^2}{\Lambda\alpha^{1/2}} \right)^{1/3}$
- After inflation due to a low Hubble scale the rho field is pushed to the origin, the scan is automatically blocked (result of rho kin term)

# Cosmological Evolution

- Benchmark parameter set

$\Lambda (= \gamma)$	$\Delta$	$\kappa$	$\alpha$	$H_i$	$N_e$
$10^6 \text{ GeV}$	$10^2 \text{ GeV}$	$10^{-4}$	$(10^3 \text{ GeV})^2$	$10 \text{ GeV}$	$10^2$

# Summary

Searches for traditional NP solving the hierarchy problem do not give results, hence still place for new approaches.

We present a model aiming at addressing the HP and belonging to the class of scenarios with a dynamically scanned Higgs mass.

The minimal implementation contains new scalars in a few-TeV range and light but very weakly interacting scanning fields.

The UV completions for the model, as well as alternative realizations of the main idea need further investigation.