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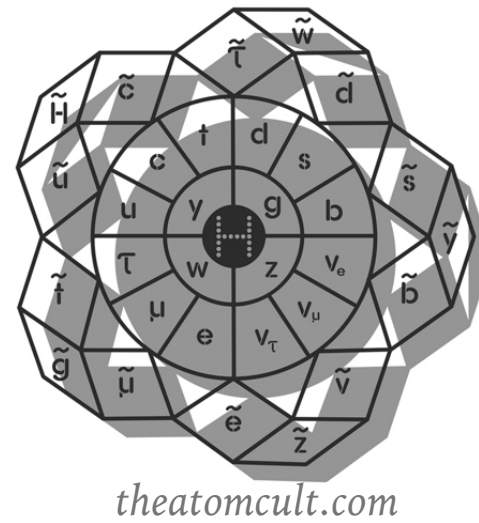
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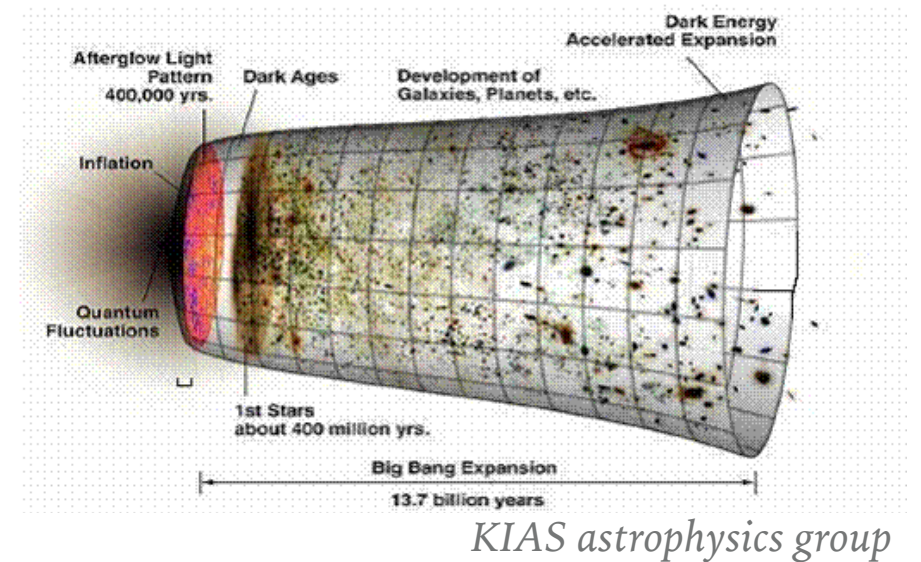
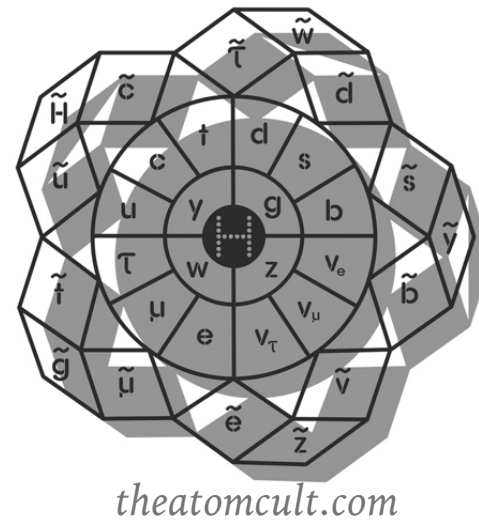
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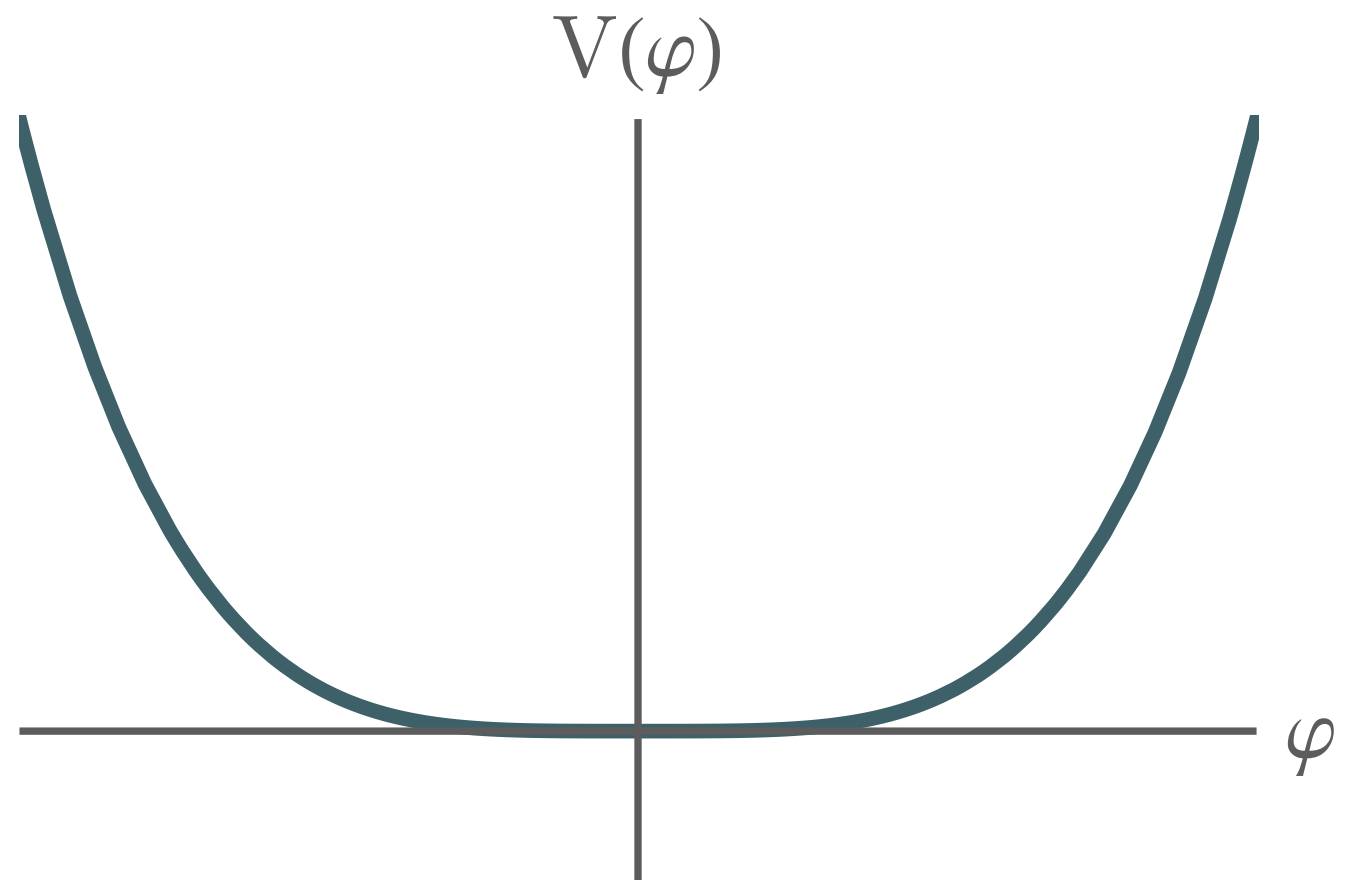


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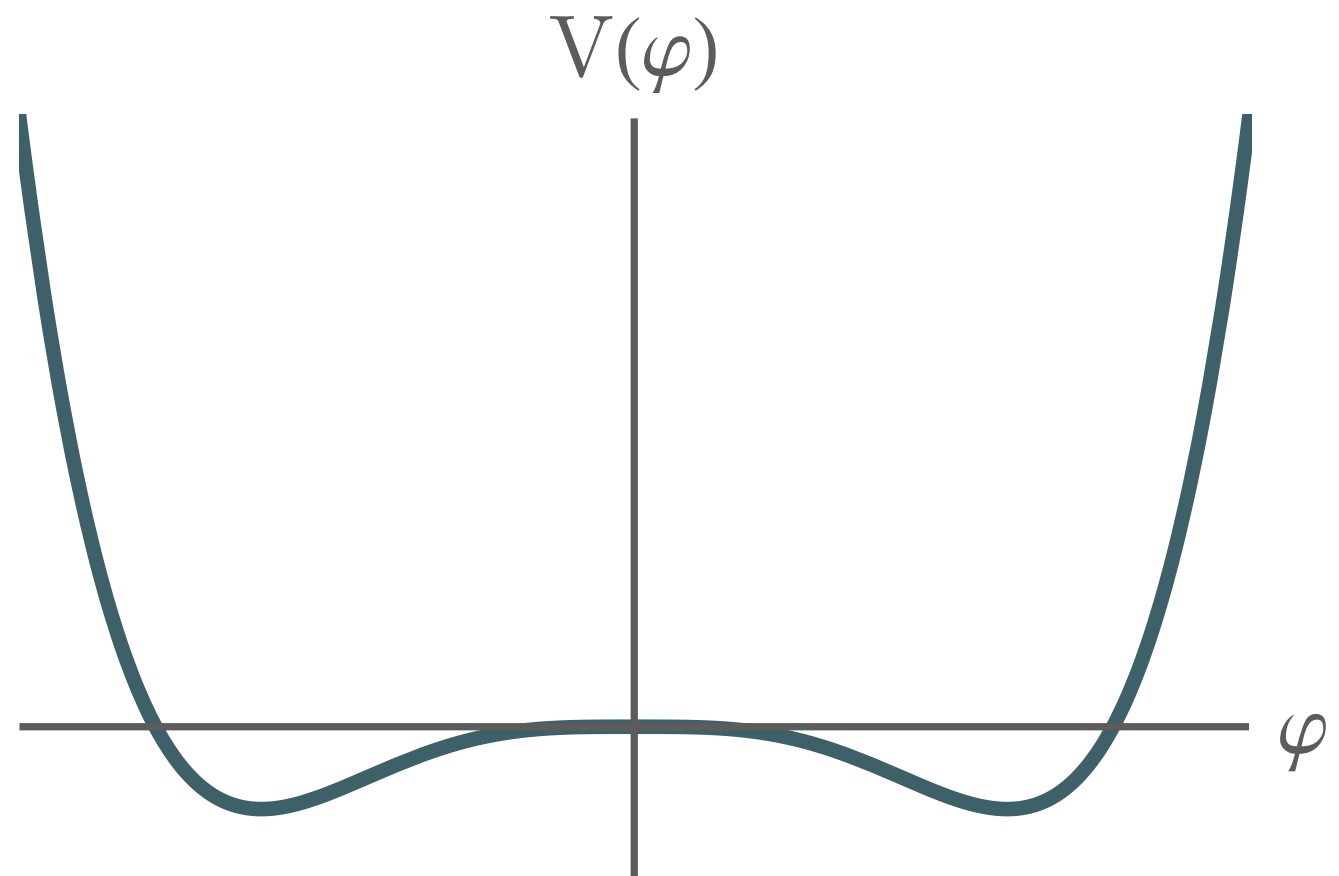
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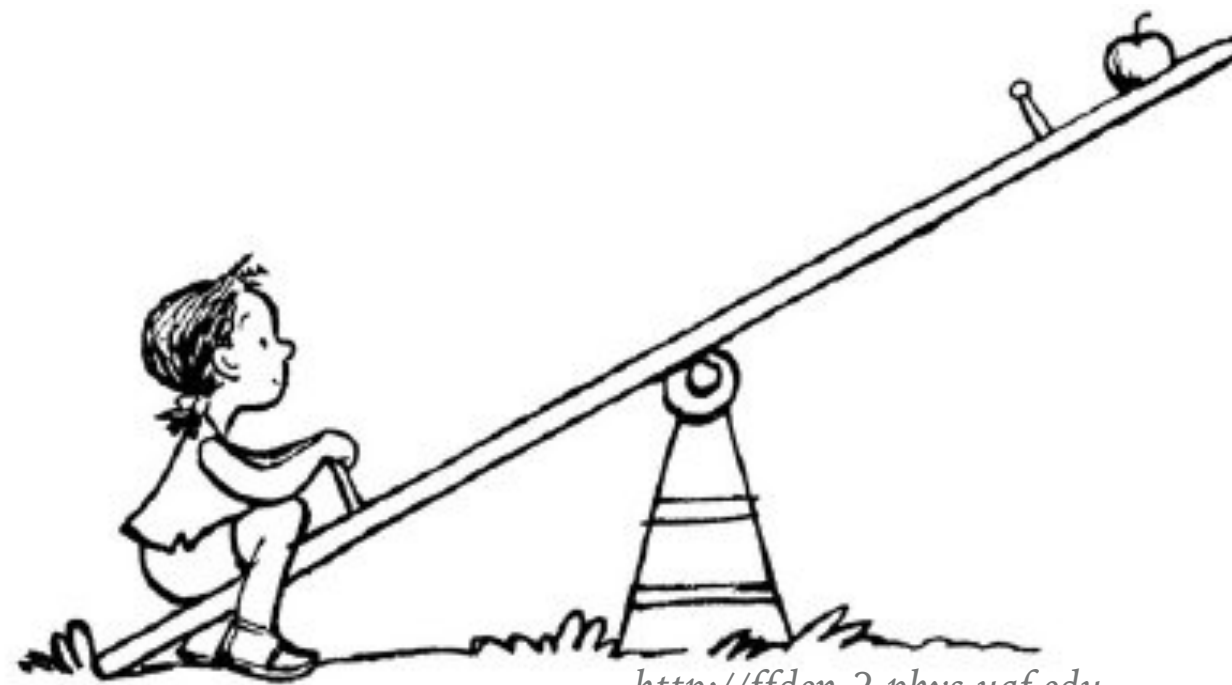
RGE



Scale independence of
the effective potential

RGE improved potential expansion parameter: $\bar{\lambda} \left(\log \frac{\phi^2}{\mu^2} \right)$

WHY IS THIS PROBLEMATIC?



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RENORMALISATION GROUP EQUATION

$$\mu \frac{dV}{d\mu}(\mu; \lambda, \phi) = \left(\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} + \sum_{i=1}^{N_\lambda} \beta_i \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda_i} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{a=1}^{N_\phi} \gamma_a \phi_a \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi_a} \right) V(\mu; \lambda, \phi) = 0$$

METHOD OF CHARACTERISTICS

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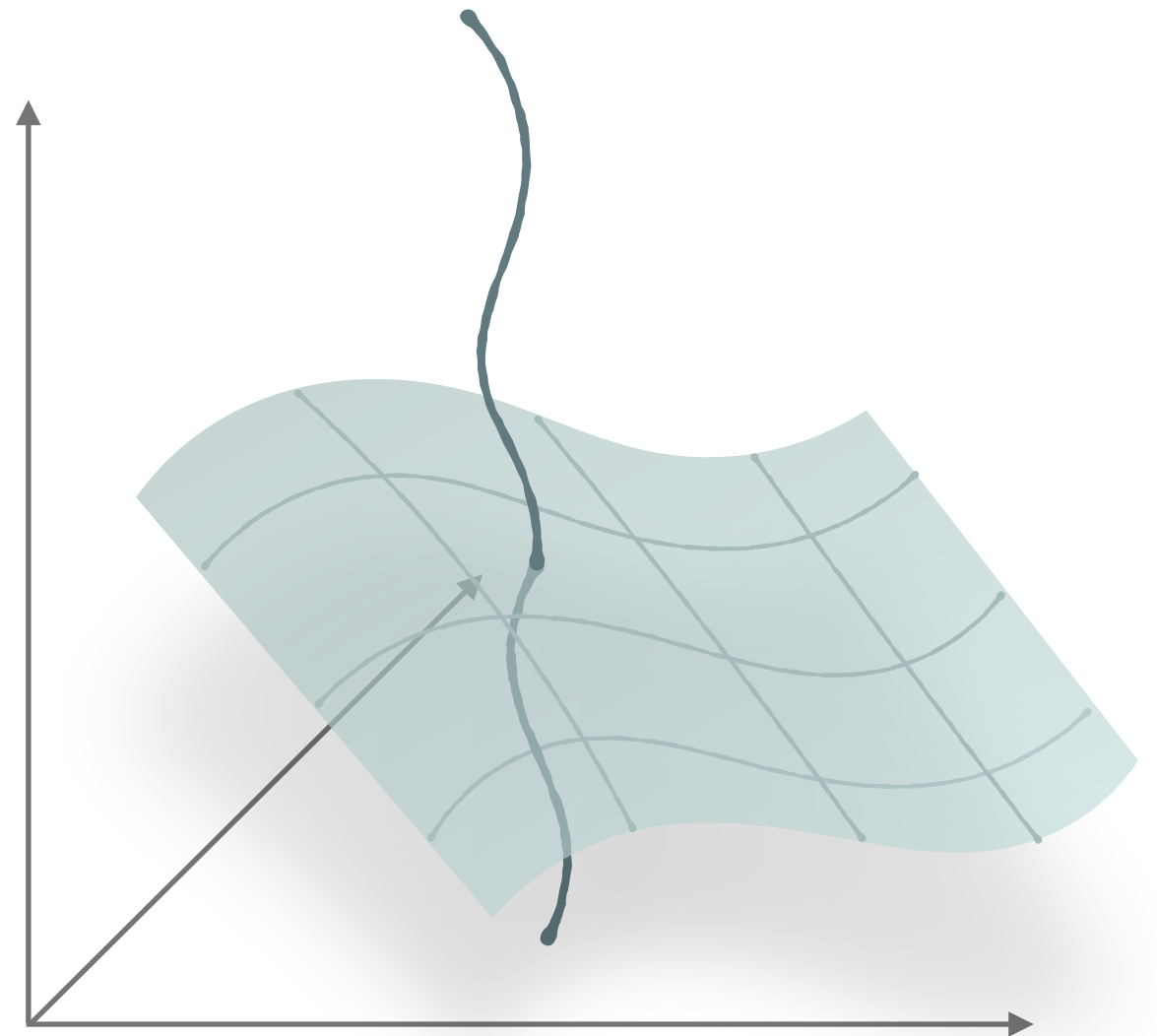
Characteristic curves

$$\frac{d}{dt} \bar{\mu}(t) = \bar{\mu}(t),$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \bar{\lambda}_i(t) = \beta_i(\bar{\lambda}),$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \bar{\phi}_a(t) = -\frac{1}{2} \gamma_a(\bar{\lambda}) \bar{\phi}_a(t),$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} V(t) = 0$$



SINGLE-FIELD MODEL

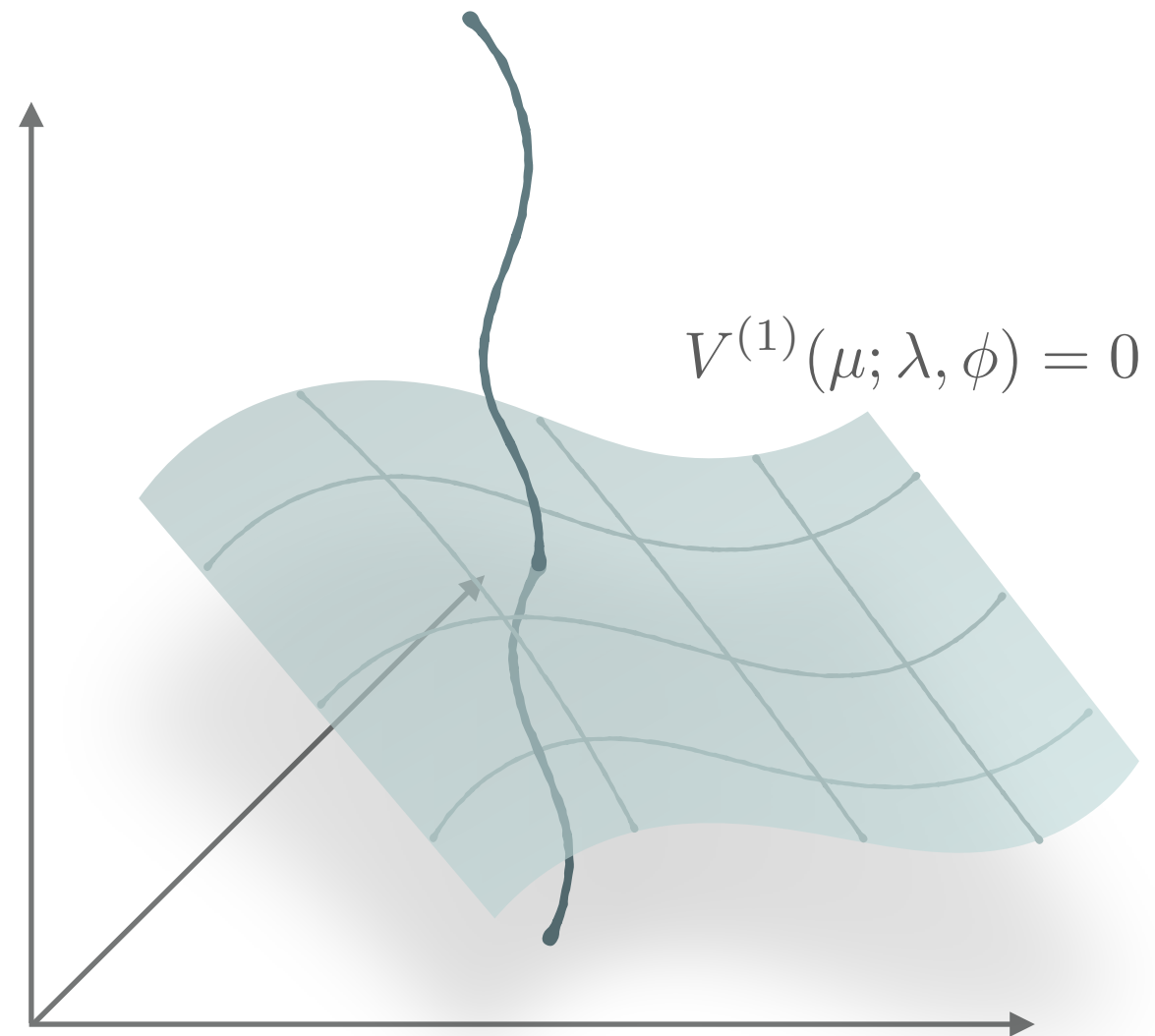
$$V_1(\mu; \lambda, \phi) = V^{(0)} + V^{(1)} = \frac{1}{4}\lambda\phi^4 + \frac{9\hbar\lambda^2\phi^4}{64\pi^2} \left[\log \frac{3\lambda\phi^2}{\mu^2} - \frac{3}{2} \right]$$

To compute $V(\mu, \lambda, \phi)$

t_* $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Run to the tree-} \\ \text{level surface} \end{array} \right.$

Evaluate

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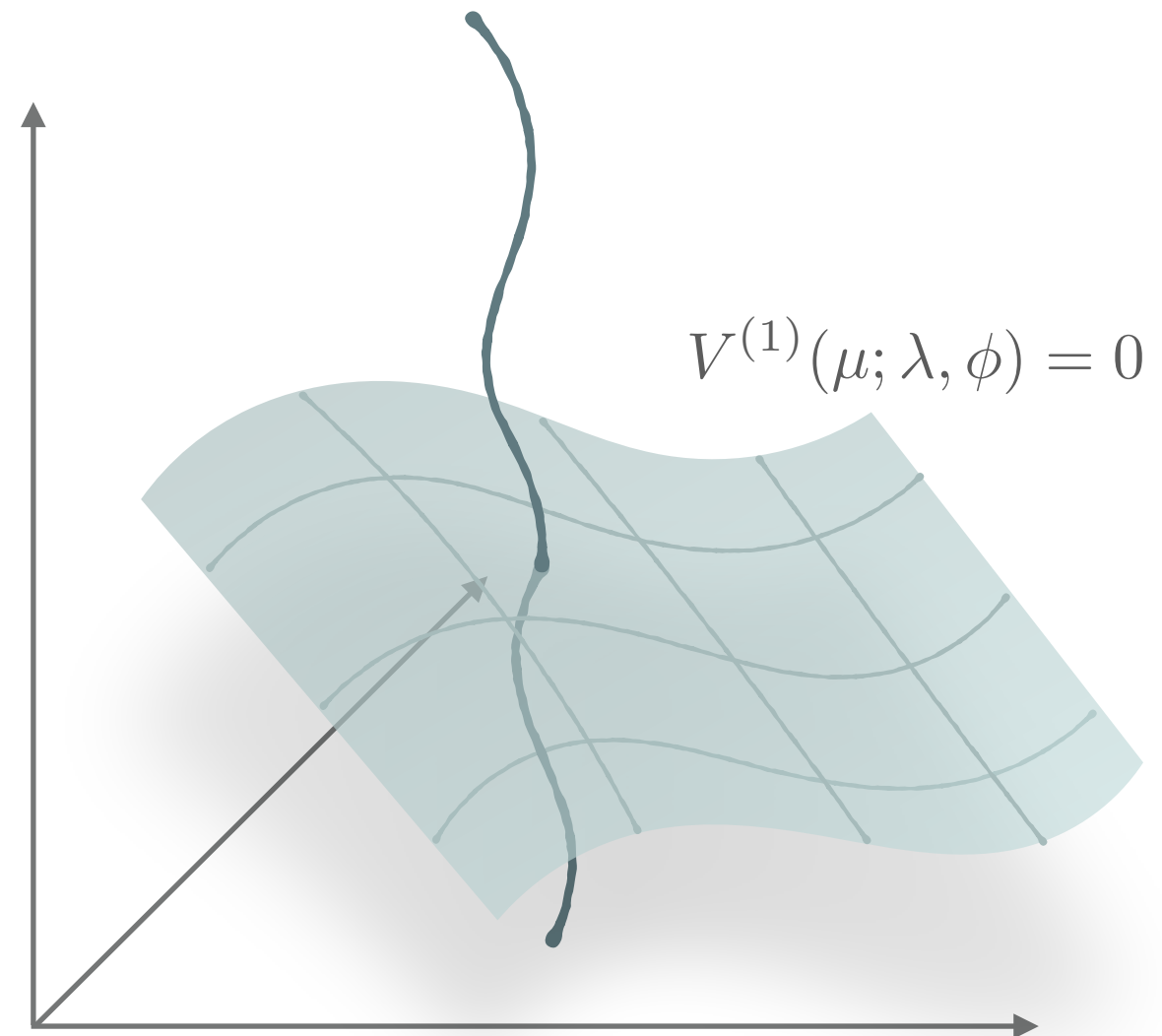
$$V^{(1)}(\mu, \lambda, \phi) = \frac{1}{64\pi^2} \sum_a n_a m_a^4(\lambda, \phi) \left[\log \frac{m_a^2(\lambda, \phi)}{\mu^2} - \chi_a \right]$$

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MULTI-FIELD MODELS

$$V^{(1)}(\mu, \lambda, \phi) =$$

M. Sher, Electroweak Higgs potentials and vacuum stability
 The form of this solution is not surprising; the only question is : what is t ?

$$\left[1 + \frac{m_a^2(\lambda, \phi)}{\mu^2} - \chi_a \right]$$

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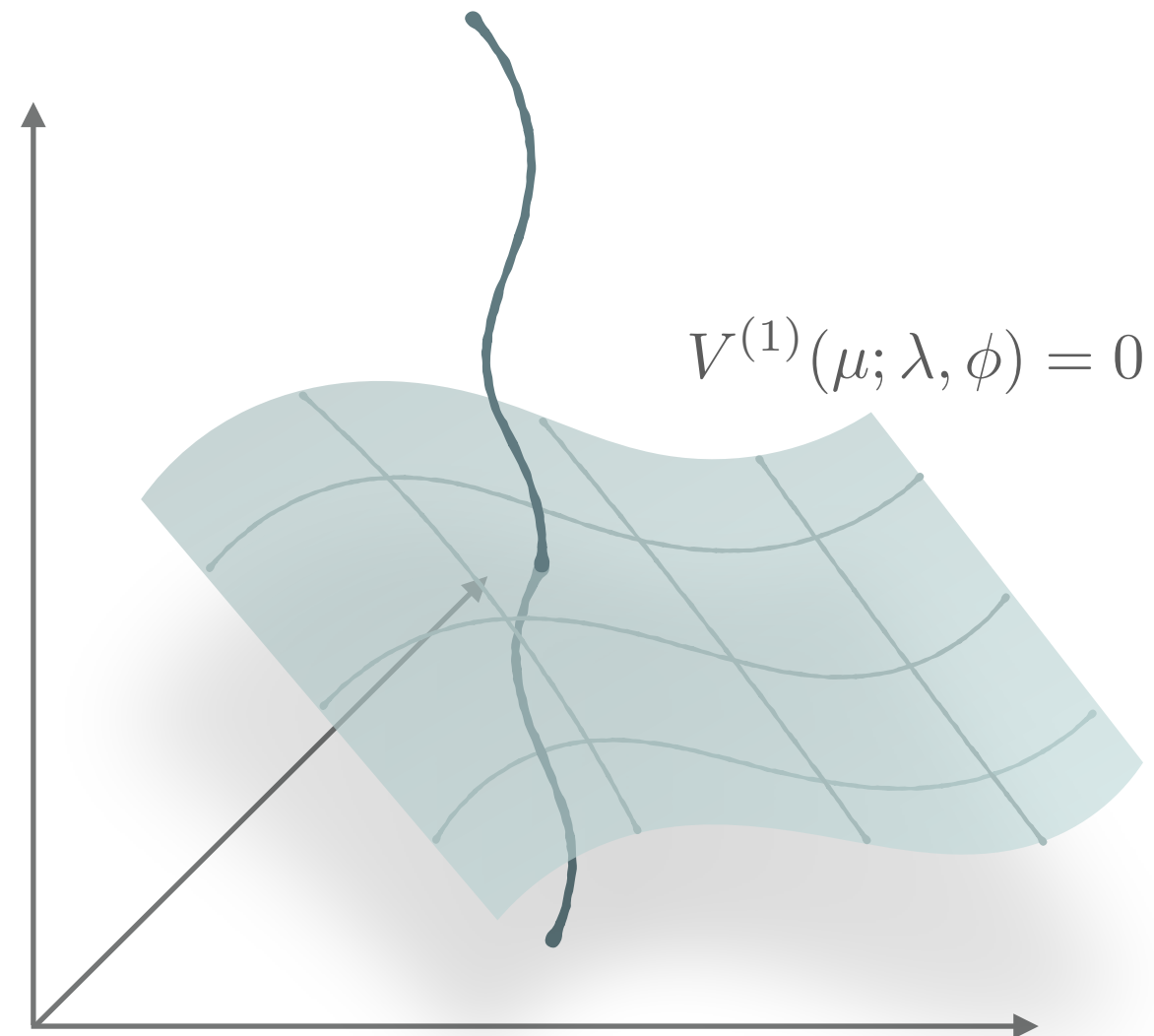
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What is t_* ?

$$V^{(1)}(\bar{\mu}(t_*); \bar{\lambda}(t_*), \bar{\phi}(t_*)) = 0$$

To leading
order in $\hbar$

$$t_*^{(0)} = \frac{V^{(1)}(\mu, \lambda, \phi)}{2\mathbb{B}(\lambda, \phi)}$$



VACUUM STABILITY

$$\lim_{\phi \rightarrow \infty} V(\phi) = ?$$

One-loop potential unsuitable for this issue  need of improvement

$$V(\mu, \lambda, \phi) = V^{(0)}(\bar{\lambda}(t_*), \bar{\phi}(t_*))$$



Enough to consider tree-level conditions evaluated at large scale.

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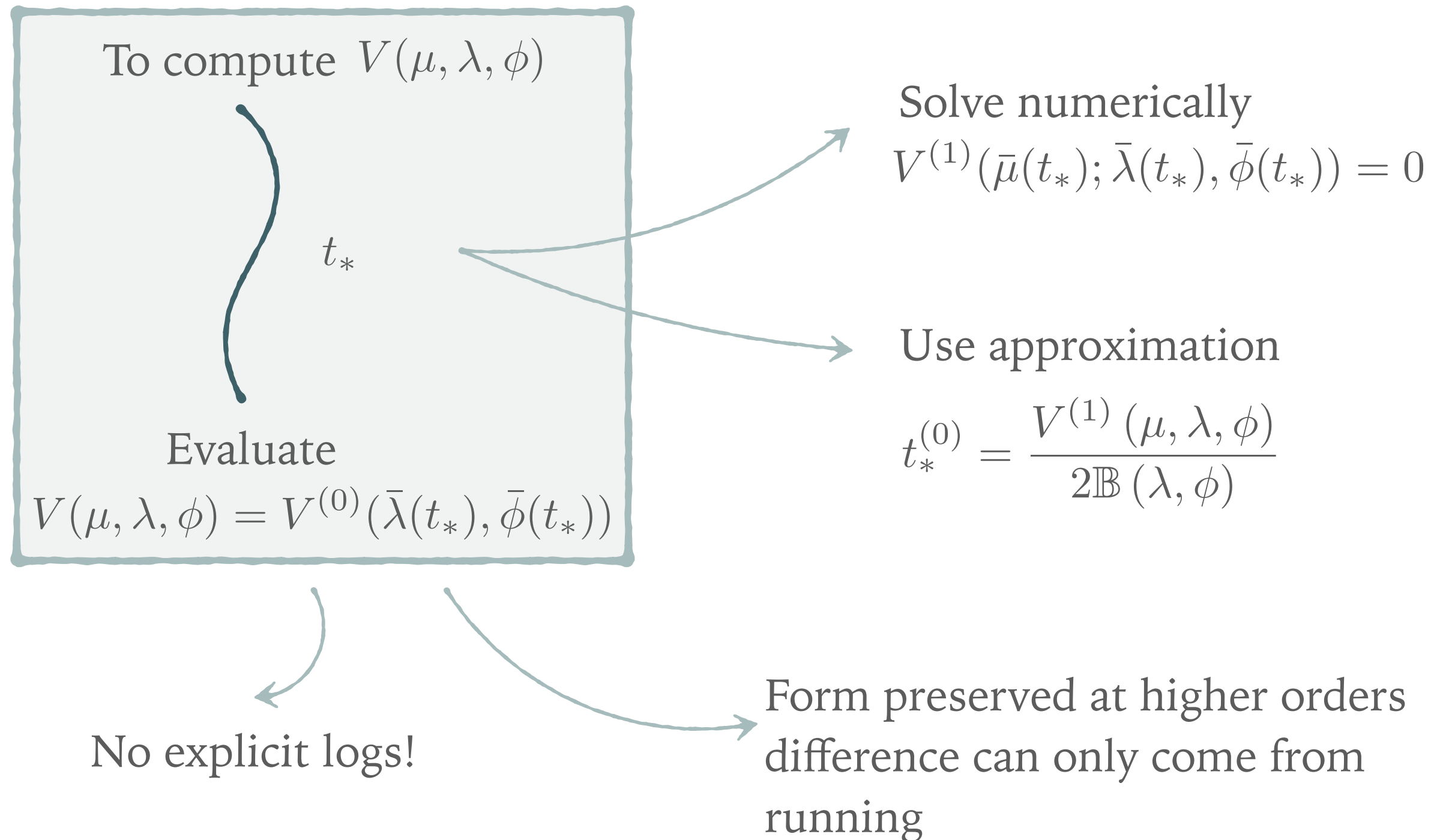
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If $\left| \log \frac{\mathcal{M}^2}{\mu^2} \right| \gg \max_a \left\{ \left| \log \frac{m_a^2(\lambda, \phi)}{\mathcal{M}^2} \right| \right\}$ these are the dominant terms.

SUMMARY

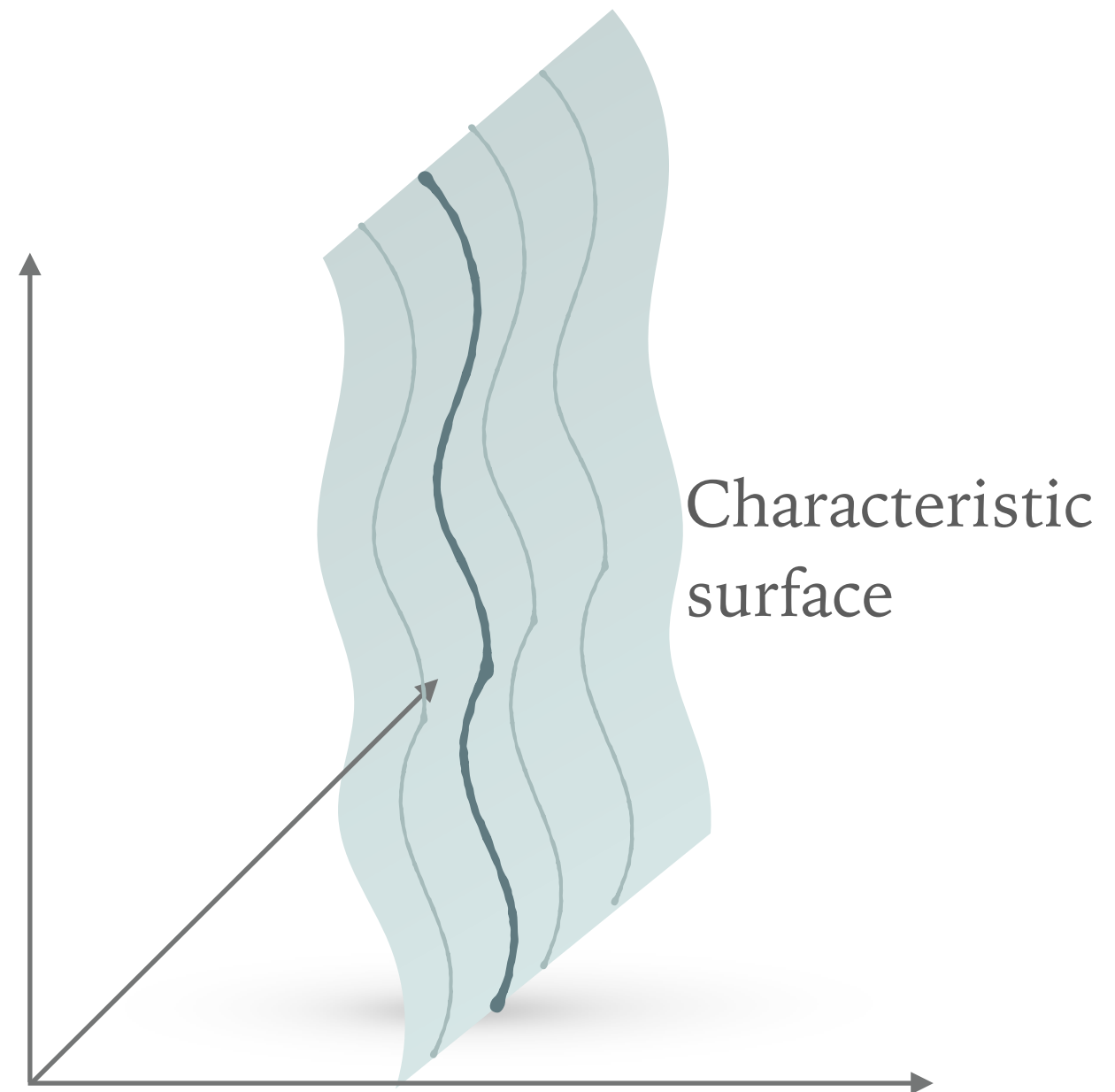
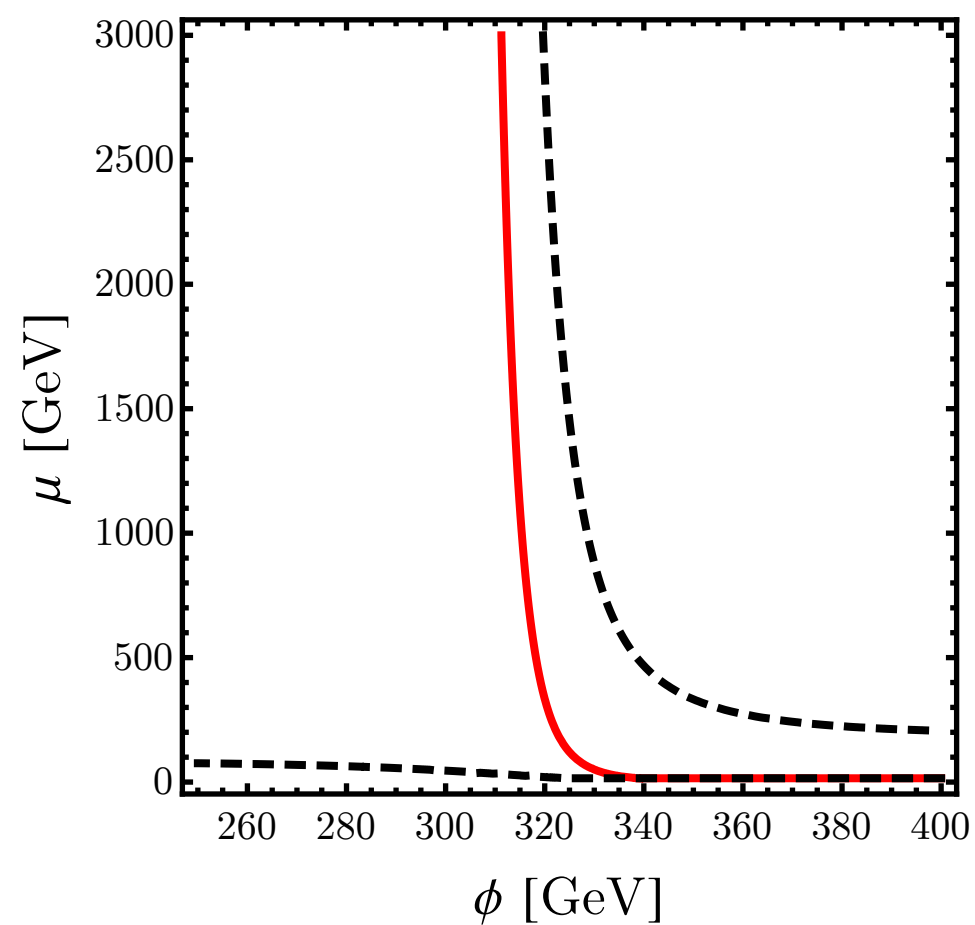
- A method of RG improvement of effective potential with arbitrary number of scalar fields
- Achieved by running to the tree-level surface
- Can be implemented to any loop order
- Resums the pivot logarithm
- Applicable to study of positivity of the potential

RECAP

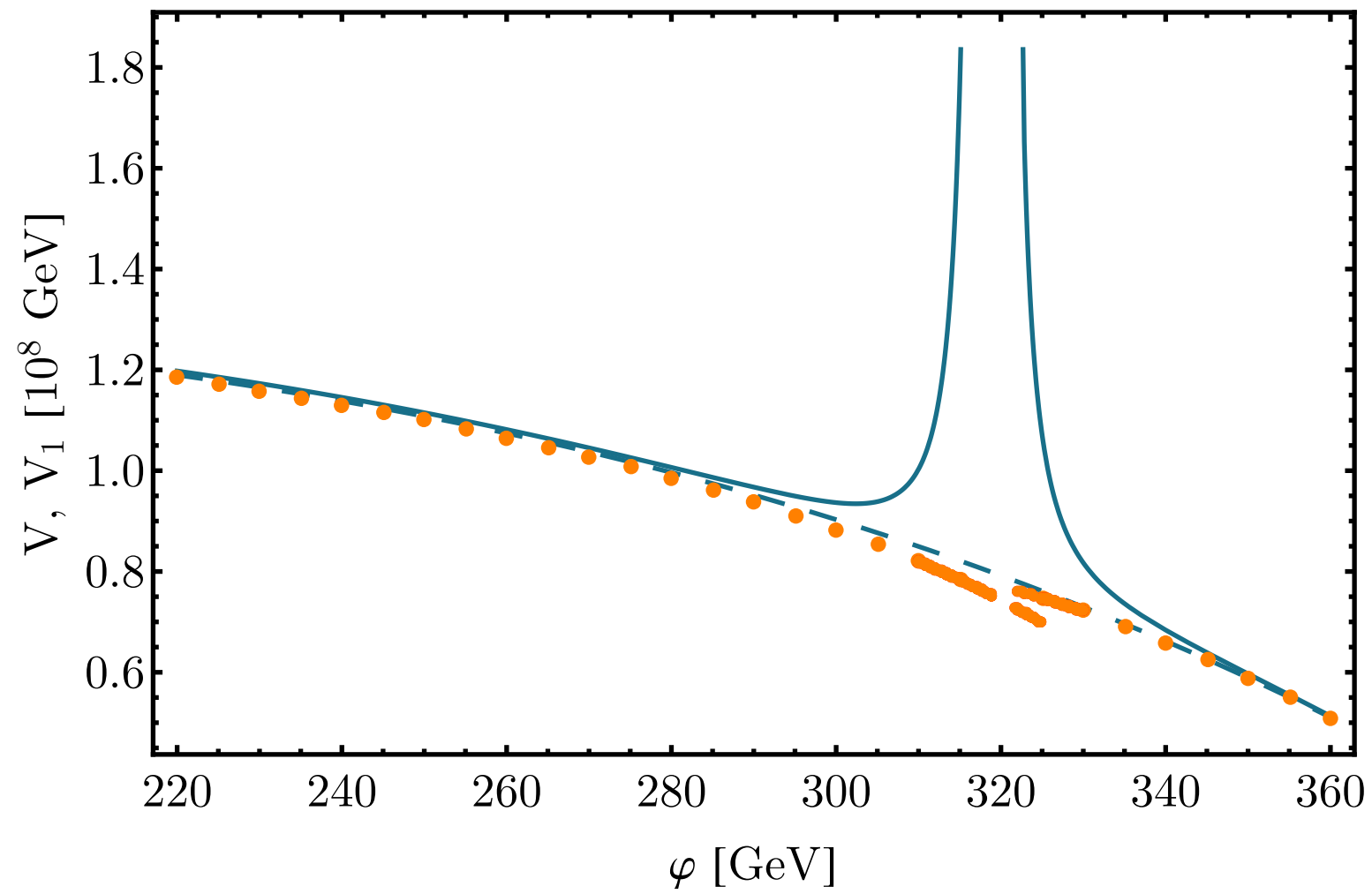


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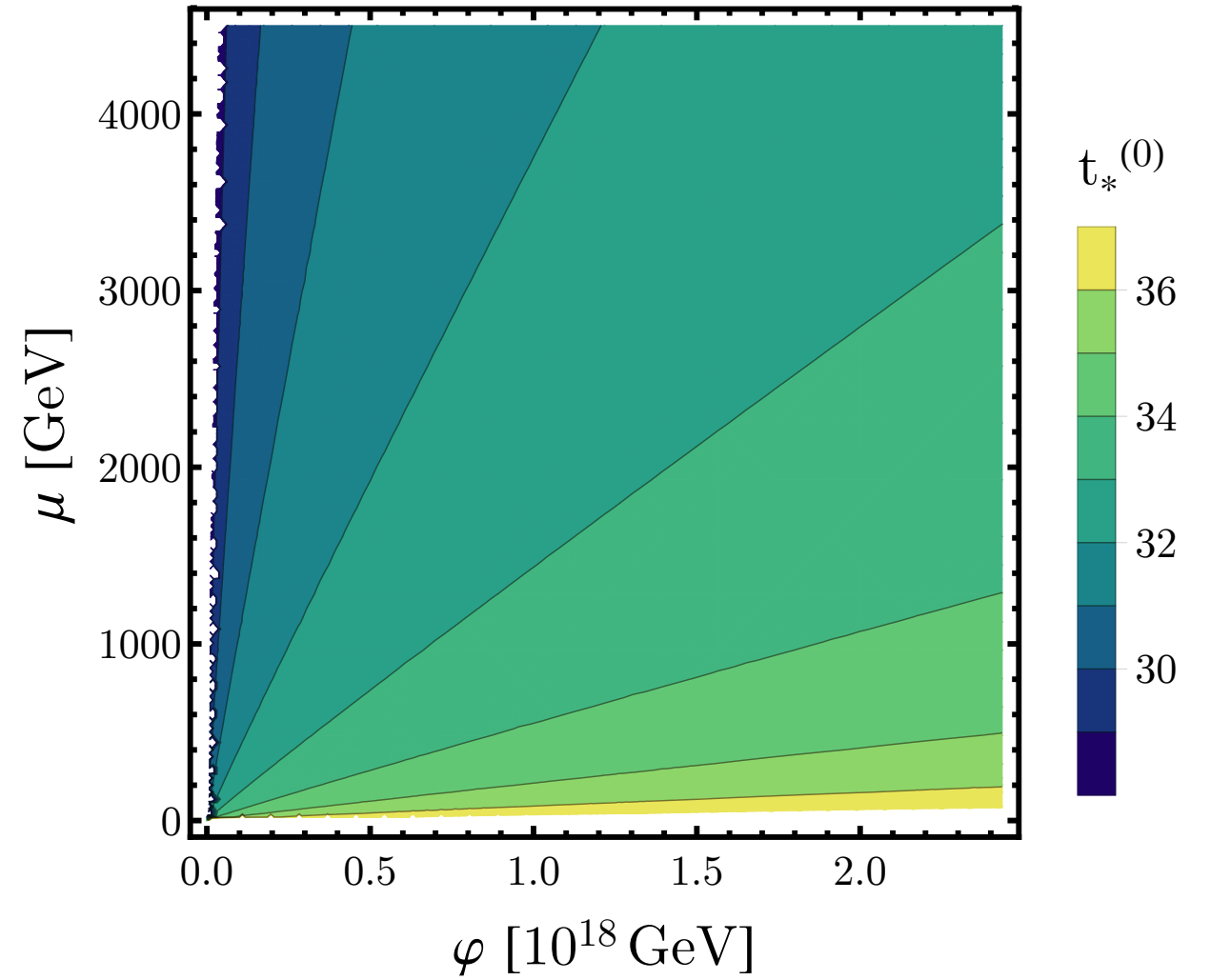
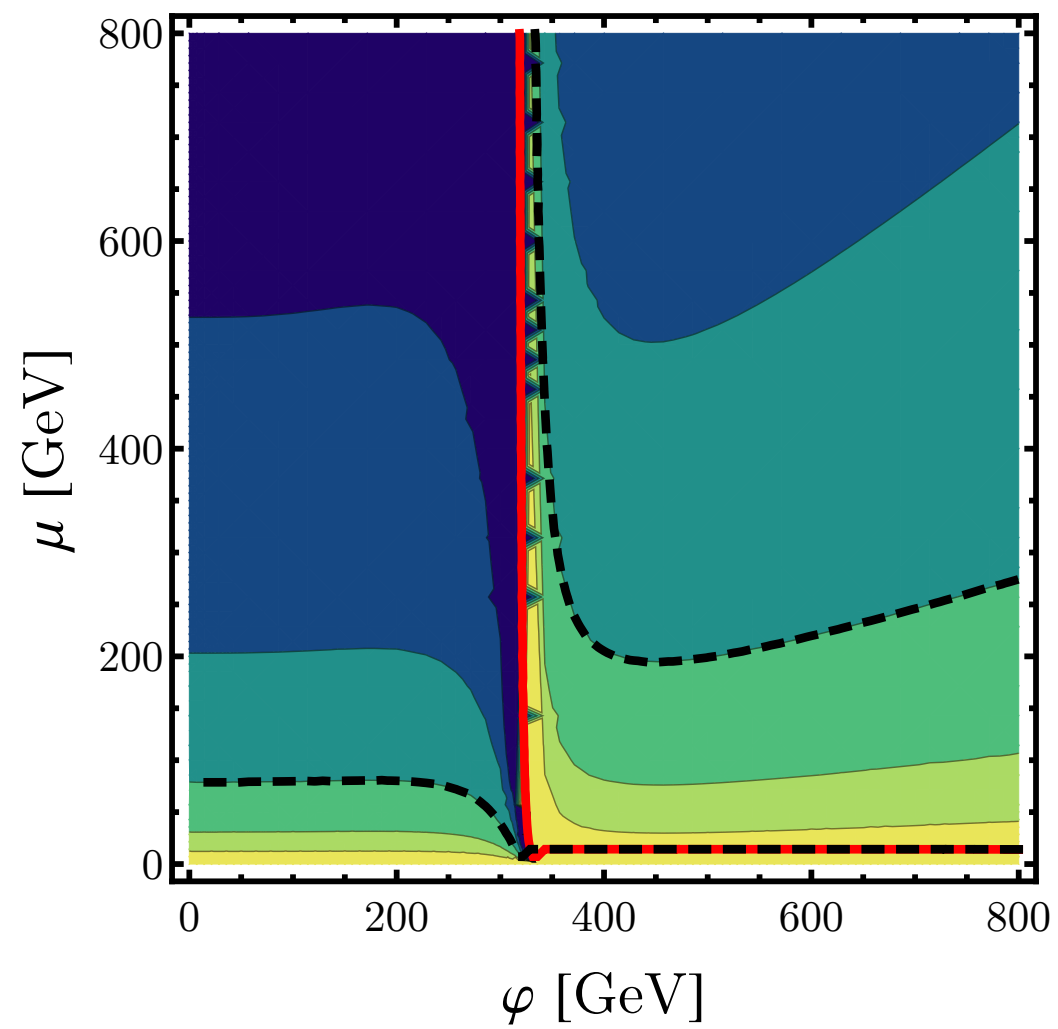
$V^{(1)}(\mu; \lambda, \phi) = 0$ is characteristic when $\mathbb{B} = 0$



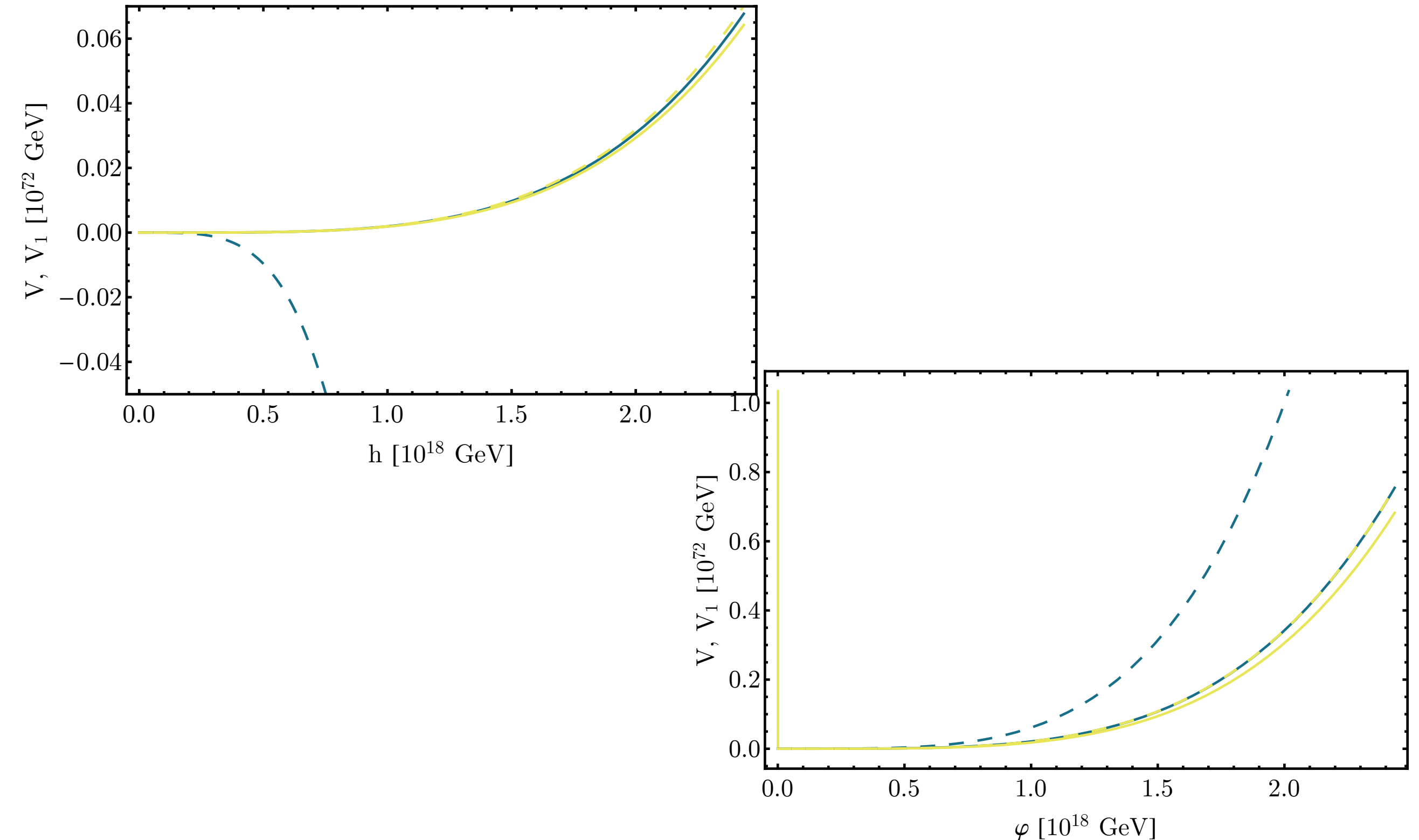
B=0 AND OTHER DETAILS



SU(2)CSM



VACUUM STABILITY IN SU(2)CSM



RESUMMATION

$$t_* = t_*^{(0)} + \mathcal{O}(\hbar) = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{\mathcal{M}^2}{\mu^2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\mathbb{A}(\lambda, \phi, \mathcal{M})}{\mathbb{B}(\lambda, \phi)} + \mathcal{O}(\hbar)$$

$$V^{(0)}(\bar{\lambda}(t_*), \bar{\phi}(t_*)) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \hbar^n w_n^{(n)}(\lambda, \phi) (2t_*)^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \hbar^n w_n^{(n)}(\lambda, \phi) \left(\log \frac{\mathcal{M}^2}{\mu^2} \right)^n + \dots$$

$O(N)$ MODEL

Computation at two-loop level — agreement with the expressions for the leading functions

The two-loop improved potential differed only slightly from one-loop improved.