

SINGLE-FIELD INFLATION MODELS IN SUPERGRAVITY

- $f(R)$ GRAVITY AS GRAVITY + SCALAR
- THE “STAROBINSKY” CASE $f = R + \alpha R^2$
- R^n CORRECTIONS
- $R + \alpha R^2$ SUPERGRAVITY AT LINEAR ORDER
- THE NEW MINIMAL SUPERGRAVITY
- NEW MINIMAL COMPLETION OF $R + \alpha R^2$ GRAVITY
- HIGHER-CURVATURE CORRECTIONS
- NEW MINIMAL CHAOTIC INFLATION AND F TERMS

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RESCALE TO EINSTEIN FRAME

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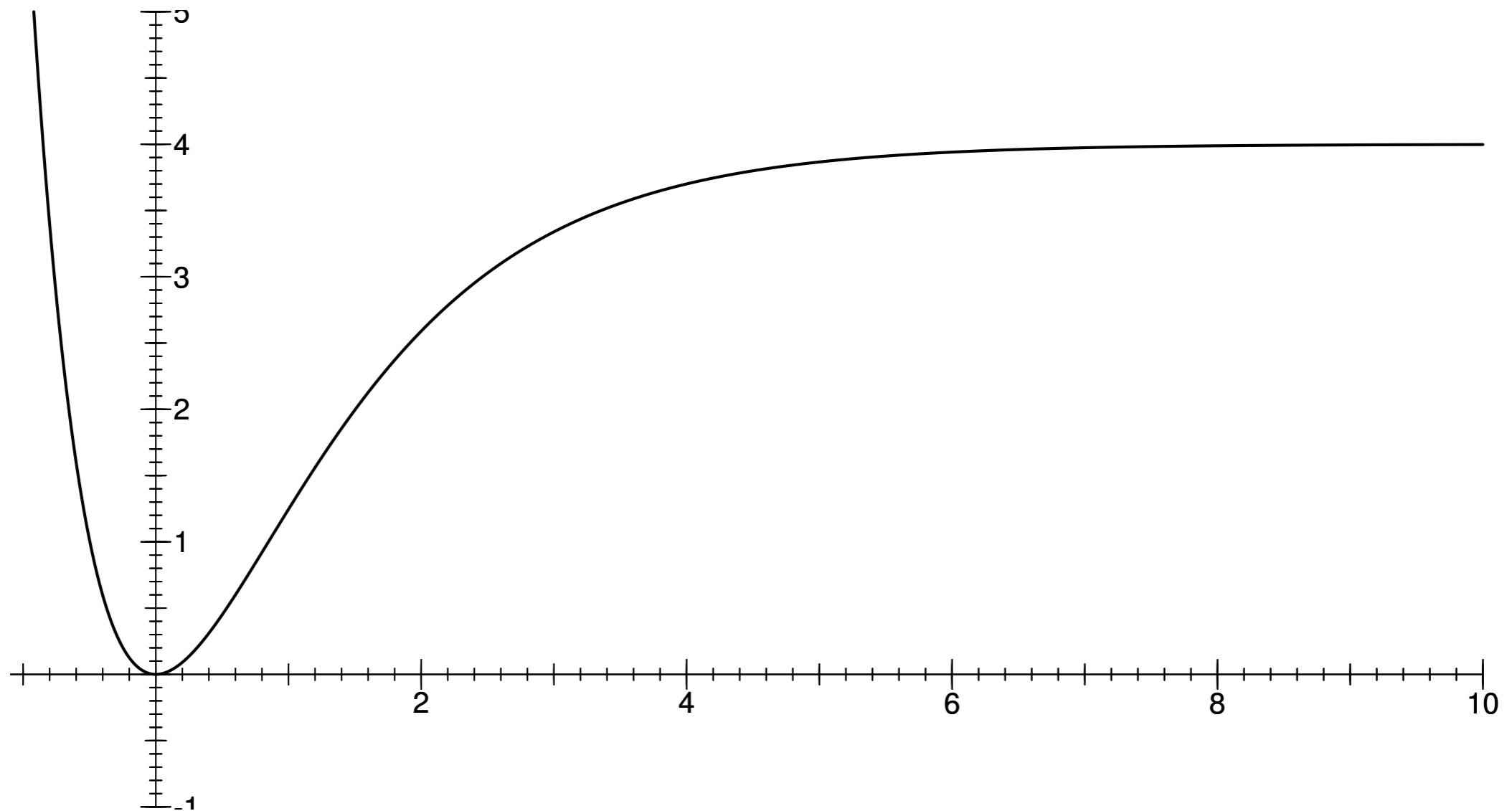
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IN PARTICULAR, WHEN $f(X) = \frac{1}{2g^2} X^2$

THE POTENTIAL IS $(1 + Y)^{-2} \tilde{f}(Y) = \frac{g^2}{2} \left(1 - e^{-\sqrt{2/3}\phi}\right)^2$

THE “STAROBINSKY” POTENTIAL (VERTICAL AXIS SCALE MULTIPLIED BY $8/g^2$)



HIGHER ORDER CORRECTIONS: WHICH SCALE?

$$R + \frac{1}{2g^2}R^2 \rightarrow Rf(R/g^2), \quad f(x) = 1 + \frac{1}{2}x + O(1)x^4 + \dots$$

WHEN CURVATURE IS $O(g^2)$ ALL TERMS ARE EQUAL

IS IT POSSIBLE TO GET ANOTHER FACTOR $O(g^2)$

IN FRONT OF THE HIGHER CURVATURE CORRECTIONS?

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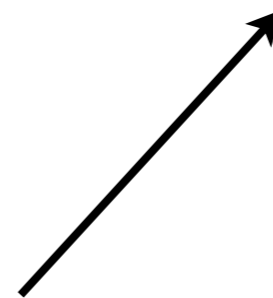
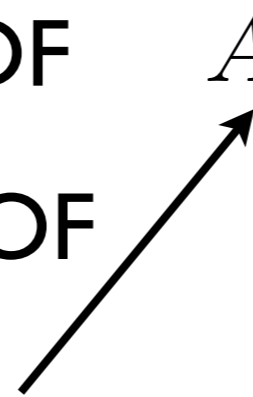
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OLD MINIMAL AND NEW MINIMAL DIFFER BY
NON PROPAGATING DEGREES OF FREEDOM IN
STANDARD “EINSTEIN” SUPERGRAVITY; WHEN
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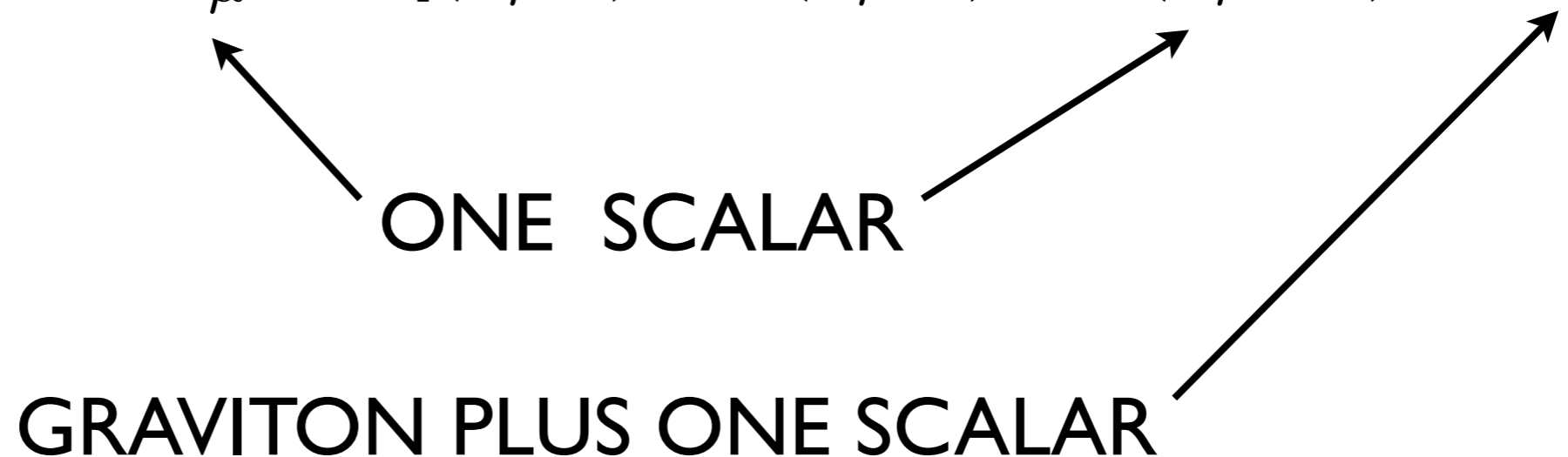
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$$D^2 L = \bar{D}^2 L = 0 \rightarrow L = \dots + \bar{\theta}\sigma^\mu\theta A_\mu + \dots, \quad \partial_\mu A^\mu = 0$$

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TRICK: INTRODUCE AN UNCONSTRAINED REAL MULTIPLY AS LAGRANGE MULTIPLY: R

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THIS IS A PARTICULAR CASE OF THE GENERAL N=1 ACTION
WHERE THE U(1) GAUGED BY THE VECTOR FIELD IS IN THE
BROKEN PHASE

$$U e^U \rightarrow e^{(2/3)J(U-T-\bar{T})}, \quad J(C) = \frac{3}{2}(C - \log C)$$

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KAEHLER POTENTIAL

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CONCLUSIONS

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- LAST BUT NOT LEAST: THE LAGRANGIAN DUAL TO NEW-MINIMAL HIGH CURVATURE POTENTIALS GIVES THE SIMPLEST AND MOST NATURAL REALIZATION IN SUPERGRAVITY OF QUADRATIC-POTENTIAL CHAOTIC INFLATION