

# Recent Development in Theoretical Physics



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## Bubbles and Walls : Revisited

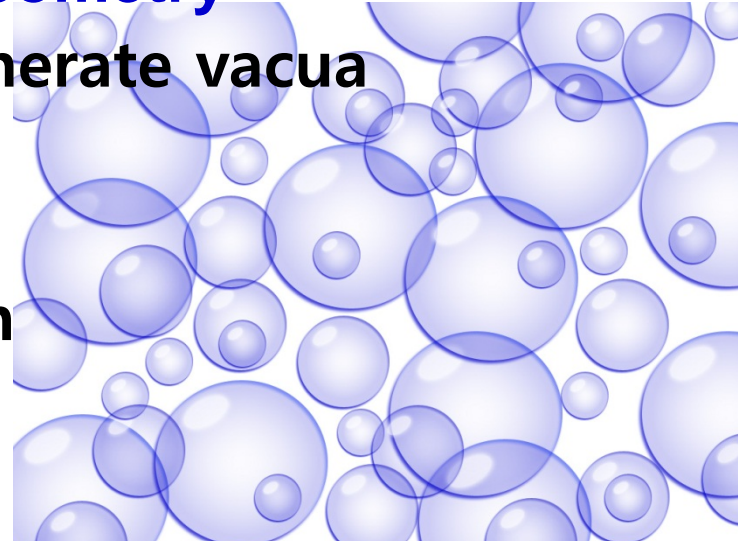
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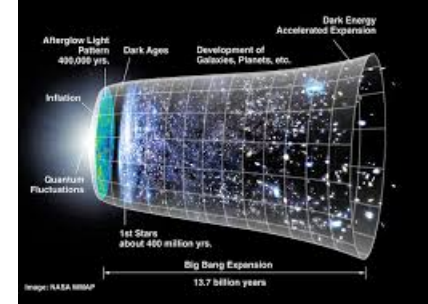
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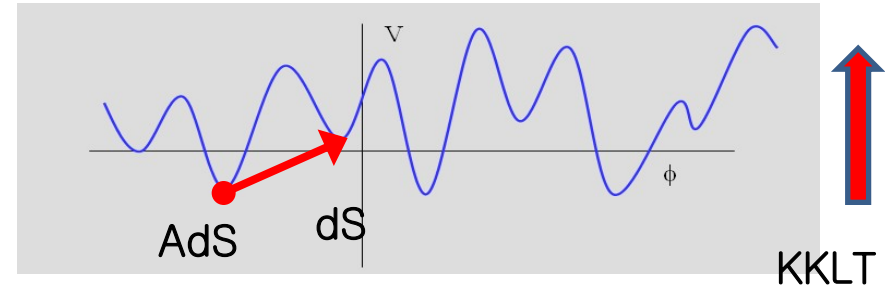
# 1. Motivation

- ◆ Observation : Universe is expanding with acceleration  
– needs **positive cosmological constant**



- ◆ The string theory landscape provides a vast number of metastable vacua.

- ◆ How can we be in the vacuum with **positive cosmological constant** ?



- KKLT(Kachru,Kalosh,Linde,Trivedi, PRD 2003)) : “lifting” the potential  
– an alternative way? → Revisit Bubbles & Walls : Gravity effect important

- ◆ Bubbles – for Phase Tran. in the early universe w/ or w/o cosmological constant,  
Can there be the nucleation of a **false vacuum bubble**? Can it expand?  
Other kinds of Bubbles? (Including Gravity Effects)

- (\*) **Other possible roles of the Euclidean Bubbles and Walls?**  
Ex) quantum gravity ? Cosmology such as domain Wall Universe?

**We will revisit and analyse vacuum bubbles in various setups.**

## 2. Basics – Reivew

### (1) Tunneling in Quantum Mechanics

- particle in one dim. with unit mass -  
Lagrangian

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{dq}{dt} \right)^2 - V(q)$$

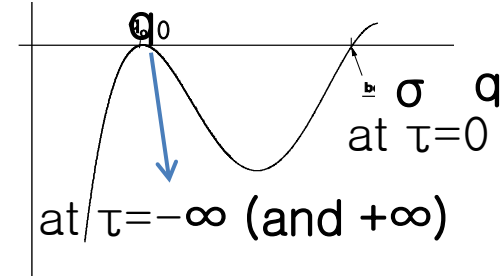
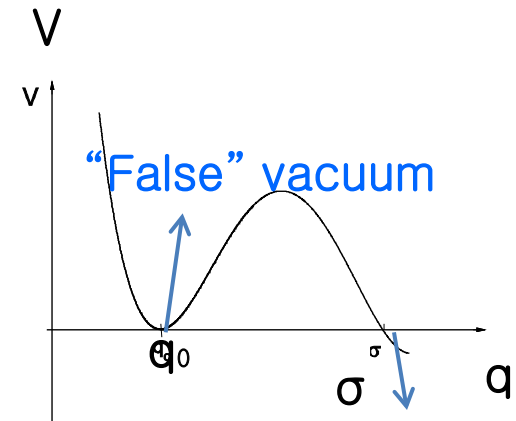
- **Quantum Tunneling**

from the “false vacuum”  $q_0$  to the “true vacuum”  $\sigma$

- \* Semiclassical approximation \*

classical path in Euclidean time  $\tau$  ( $-\infty < \tau < \infty$ )

→ a particle moving in the potential  $-V$  in time  $\tau$



Tunneling probability  $\Gamma / V = A e^{-B/\hbar} [1 + O(\hbar)]$

where  $\bar{S} = B = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\tau L_E(q(\tau)) = \int d\tau \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{dq}{d\tau} \right)^2 + V(q) \right]$  = Classical Euclidean action (difference)

Eq. of motion :  $\tau = it$

$$\frac{d^2 q}{d\tau^2} + \left( - \frac{dV}{dq} \right) = 0$$

boundary conditions

$$x_i = x_f = 0$$

$$\lim_{\tau \rightarrow -\infty} q(\tau) = q_0, \quad \frac{dq}{d\tau} \Big|_{\tau=0(\sigma)} = 0$$

- **Evolution after tunneling** (at  $\tau = 0=t$ ) : Propagation in Minkowski time,  $t > 0$ )

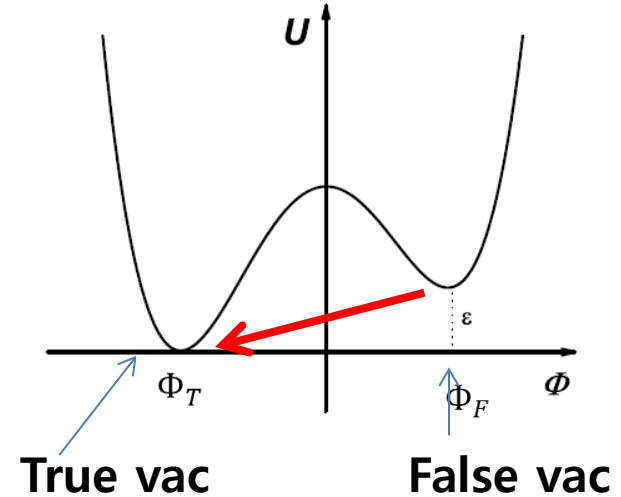
## (2) Tunneling in field theory (in flat spacetime – no gravity )

Theory with single scalar field

$$S = \int \sqrt{-\eta} d^4x \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^\alpha \Phi \nabla_\alpha \Phi - U(\Phi) \right]$$

Equation for the **bounce**  $\delta \int d\tau L_E^b = 0$

$$\left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \tau^2} + \nabla^2 \right) \Phi = U'(\Phi)$$

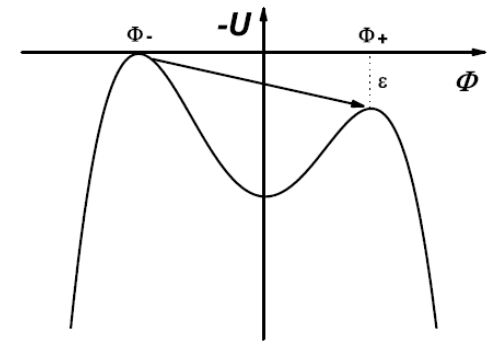


with boundary conditions (Finite size bubble)

$$\lim_{\tau \rightarrow \pm\infty} \Phi(\tau, \vec{x}) = \Phi_F$$

$$\lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} \Phi(\tau, \vec{x}) = \Phi_F$$

$$\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \tau}(\tau, \vec{x}) = 0$$

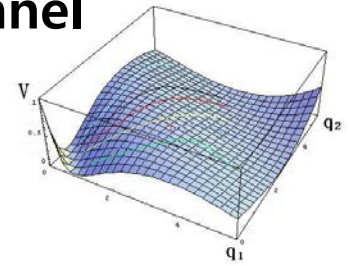


**Tunneling** rate :

$$\Gamma / V = A e^{-B/\hbar} [1 + O(\hbar)] \quad B = S_E = \int d\tau d^3x \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \tau} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} (\nabla \Phi)^2 + U(\Phi) \right]$$

**Note : Multidim. has many min. (codim=1) & paths to tunnel**

The leading **tunneling** is from the **path** and **endpoint** that minimize the tunneling exponent B.



**O(4)-symmetry : Rotationally invariant Euclidean metric**

$$ds^2 = d\eta^2 + \eta^2 [d\chi^2 + \sin^2 \chi (d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2)] \quad (\eta^2 = \tau^2 + r^2)$$

Tunneling probability factor

$$B = S_E = 2\pi^2 \int_0^\infty \eta^3 d\eta \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \eta} \right)^2 + U(\Phi) \right]$$

The Euclidean field equations & boundary conditions  $\left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \tau^2} + \nabla^2 = \frac{d^2}{d\eta^2} + \frac{3}{\eta} \frac{d}{d\eta} \right)$

$$\Phi'' + \frac{3}{\eta} \Phi' = \frac{dU}{d\Phi} \quad \lim_{\eta \rightarrow \infty} \Phi(\eta) = \Phi_F, \quad \frac{d\Phi}{d\eta} \Big|_{\eta=0} = 0$$

**“Particle” Analogy : (at position  $\Phi$  at time  $\eta$ )**

The motion of a particle in the potential  $-U$  with the damping force proportional to  $1/\eta$ .

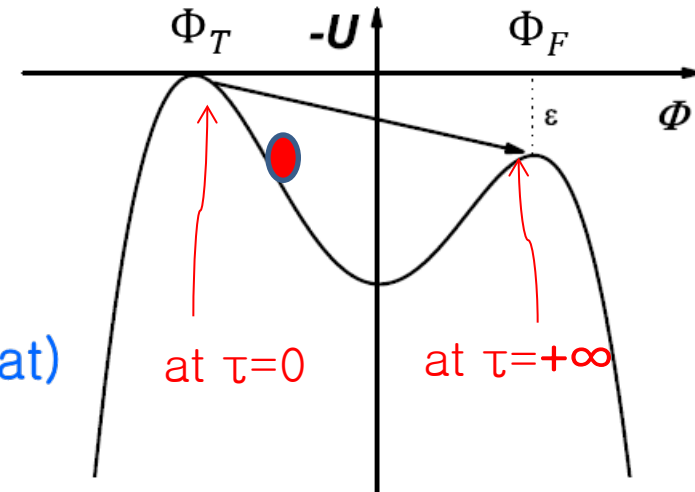
At time 0,

the particle is released at rest

(The initial position should be chosen such that)

at time infinity,

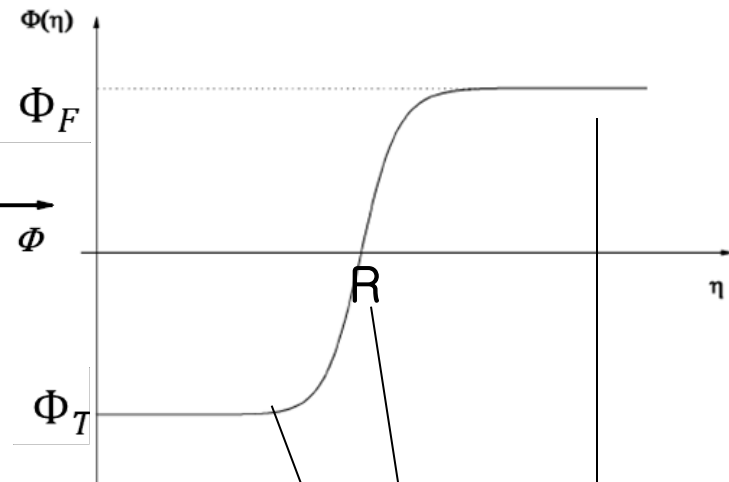
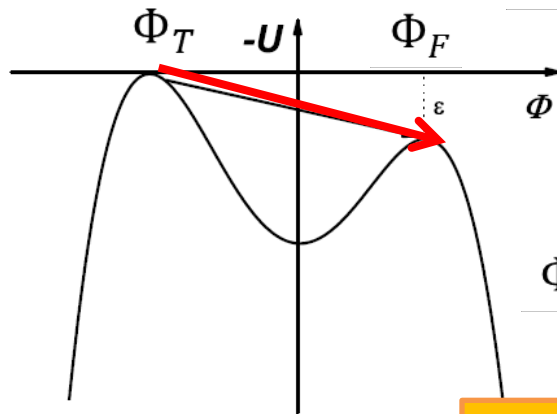
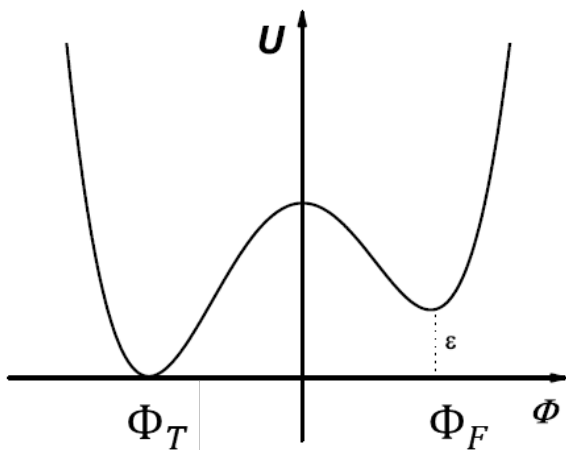
the particle will come to rest at  $\Phi_F$ .



# Thin-wall approximation

$$U(\Phi) = \frac{\lambda}{8}(\Phi^2 - b^2)^2 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2b}(\Phi - b)$$

( $\varepsilon$ : small parameter)



B is the difference

$$B = S_E^b - S_E^F$$

$$B = B_{in} + B_{wall} + B_{out}$$

Inside the wall  $B_{in} = -\frac{1}{2}\pi^2\eta^4\varepsilon$

Outside the wall  $B_{out} = S_E(\Phi_F) - S_E(\Phi_T) = 0$

on the wall  $B_{wall} = 2\pi^2\eta^3 S_o$ ,

where  $S_o = \int_{\Phi_T}^{\Phi_F} \sqrt{2[U(\Phi) - U(\Phi_T)]} d\Phi$

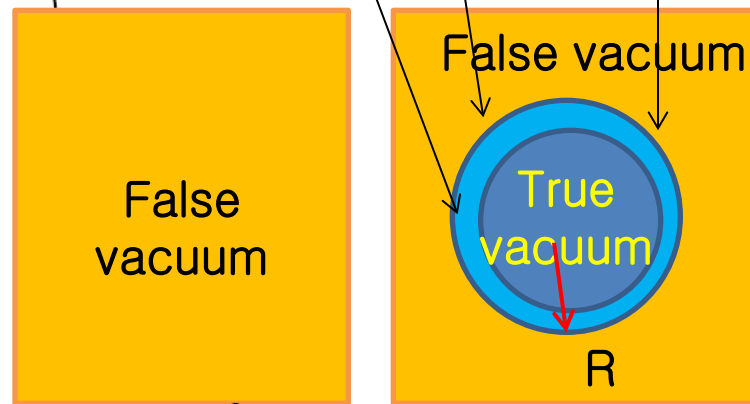
the radius of a true vacuum bubble  $\eta = 3S_o / \varepsilon \equiv R$

the nucleation rate of a true vacuum bubble

$$B_o = S_E = \frac{27\pi^2 S_o^4}{2\varepsilon^3}$$

## Bubble solution

Large 4dim. spherical bubble with radius R and thin wall

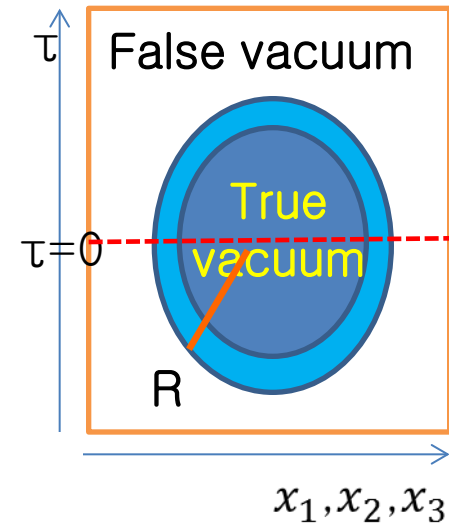


# Evolution of the bubble

The false vacuum makes a quantum tunneling into a true vacuum bubble at time  $\tau=t=0$ , such that

$$\Phi(t=0, \vec{x}) = \Phi(\tau=0, \vec{x})$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Phi(t=0, \vec{x}) = 0.$$



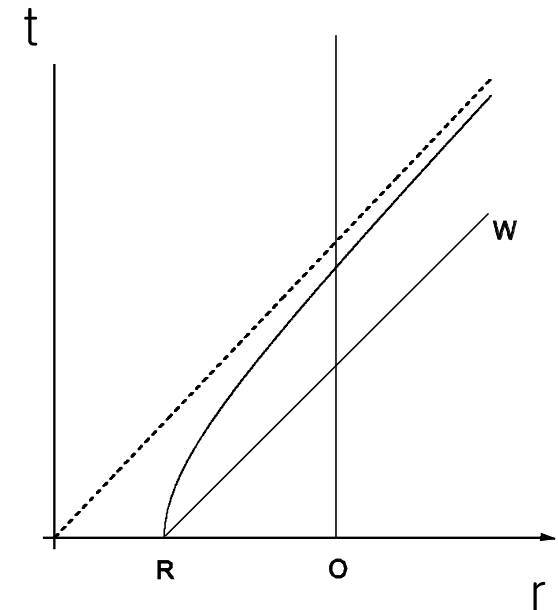
Afterwards, it evolves in Lorentzian spacetime.

$$-\frac{\partial^2 \Phi}{\partial t^2} + \nabla^2 \Phi = U'(\Phi)$$

The solution (by analytic continuation)

$$\Phi(t, \vec{x}) = \Phi(\eta = (|\vec{x}|^2 - t^2)^{1/2})$$

(Note:  $\Phi$  is a function of  $\eta$ ) ( $\eta^2 = \tau^2 + r^2$ )



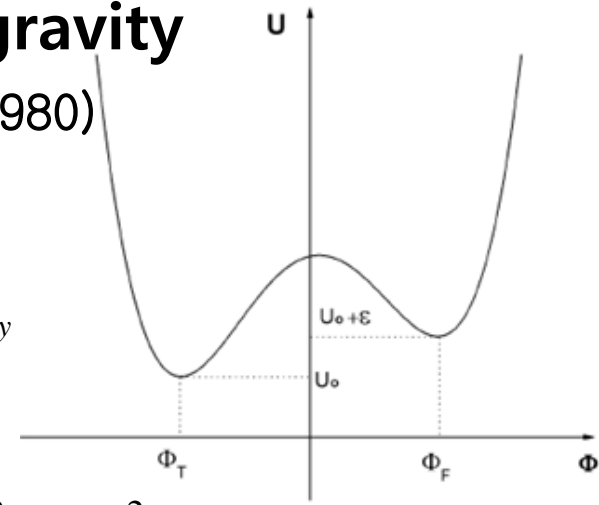


## 2.2 Bubble nucleation in the Einstein gravity

S. Coleman and F. De Luccia, PRD21, 3305 (1980)

Action

$$S = \int \sqrt{g} d^4x \left[ \frac{R}{2\kappa} - \frac{1}{2} \nabla^\alpha \Phi \nabla_\alpha \Phi - U(\Phi) \right] + S_{boundary}$$



O(4)-symmetric Euclidean metric Ansatz

$$ds^2 = d\eta^2 + \rho^2(\eta) [d\chi^2 + \sin^2 \chi (d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2)]$$

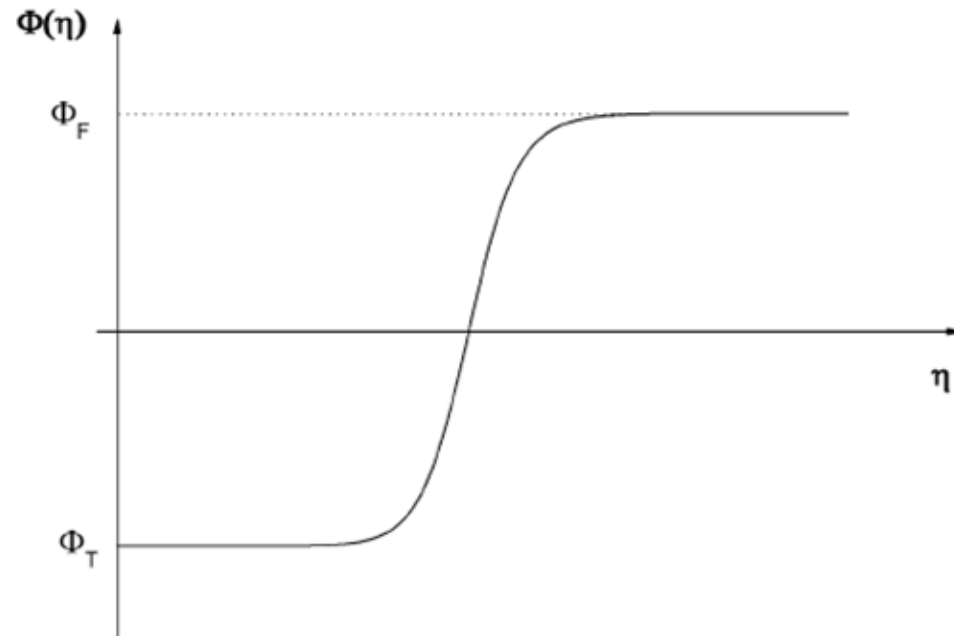
The Euclidean field equations (scalar eq. & Einstein eq.)

$$\Phi'' + \frac{3\rho'}{\rho} \Phi' = \frac{dU}{d\Phi}$$

$$\rho'^2 = 1 + \frac{\kappa\rho^2}{3} \left( \frac{1}{2} \Phi'^2 - U \right)$$

boundary conditions for bubbles

$$\lim_{\eta \rightarrow \eta(\max)} \Phi(\eta) = \Phi_F, \quad \frac{d\Phi}{d\eta} \Big|_{\eta=0} = 0$$



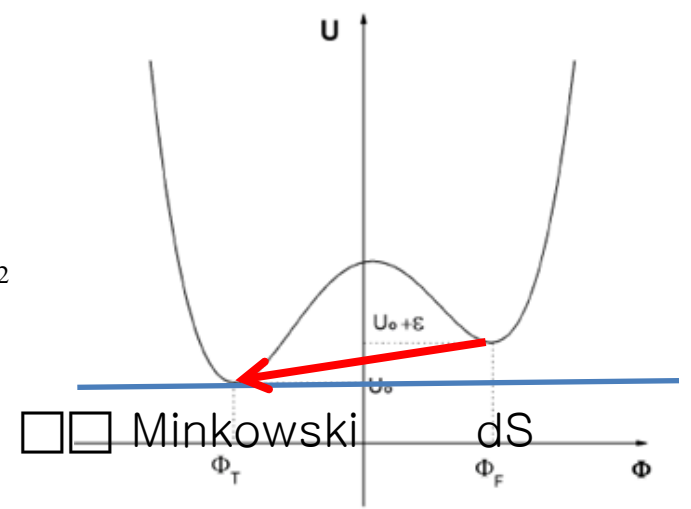
(i) From de Sitter to flat spacetime

the radius of the bubble 
$$\bar{\rho} = \frac{\bar{\eta}}{1 + (\bar{\eta}/2\Lambda)^2}$$

where 
$$\Lambda = (\kappa\epsilon/3)^{-1/2}$$

the nucleation rate

$$B = \frac{B_0}{[1 + (\bar{\eta}/2\Lambda)^2]^2}$$



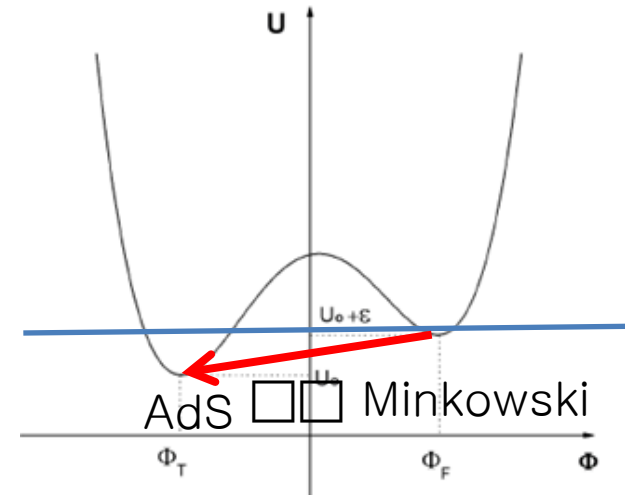
- Note : 1)  $\bar{\rho} < \bar{\eta}$  gravity makes the bubble smaller in dS  
 2)  $B < B_0$  Transition probability increases

(ii) From flat to Anti-de Sitter spacetime

the radius of the bubble 
$$\bar{\rho} = \frac{\bar{\eta}}{1 - (\bar{\eta}/2\Lambda)^2}$$

the nucleation rate

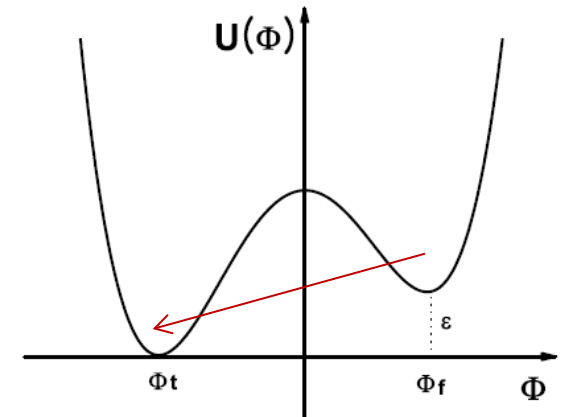
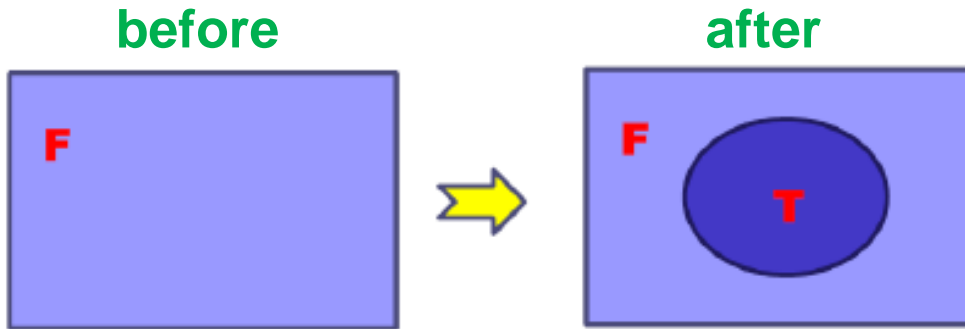
$$B = \frac{B_0}{[1 - (\bar{\eta}/2\Lambda)^2]^2}$$



- Note :  $\bar{\rho} > \bar{\eta}$  the bubble becomes larger  
 $B > B_0$  Transition probability decreases.  
 For small enough  $\epsilon$ , false vacuum can be stable

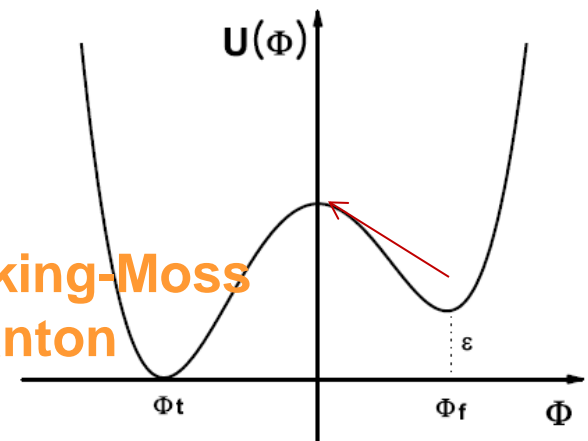
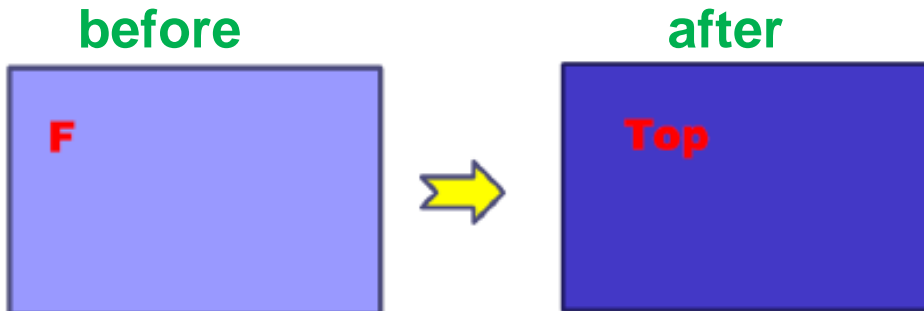
# Homogeneous tunneling

## A channel of the inhomogeneous tunneling



Ordinary bounce  
(vacuum bubble) solutions

## A channel of the homogeneous tunneling



Hawking-Moss  
instanton

# 3. More on Bubbles and Tunneling

## 3.1 False vacuum bubble nucleation

– The Einstein theory of gravity with a nonminimally coupled scalar field

Action

$$S = \int \sqrt{g} d^4x \left[ \frac{R}{2\kappa} - \frac{1}{2} \nabla^\alpha \Phi \nabla_\alpha \Phi - \frac{1}{2} \xi R \Phi^2 - U(\Phi) \right] + S_{boundary}$$

Potential

$$U(\Phi) = \frac{\lambda}{8} \Phi^2 (\Phi - 2b)^2 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2b} (\Phi - 2b) + U_o$$

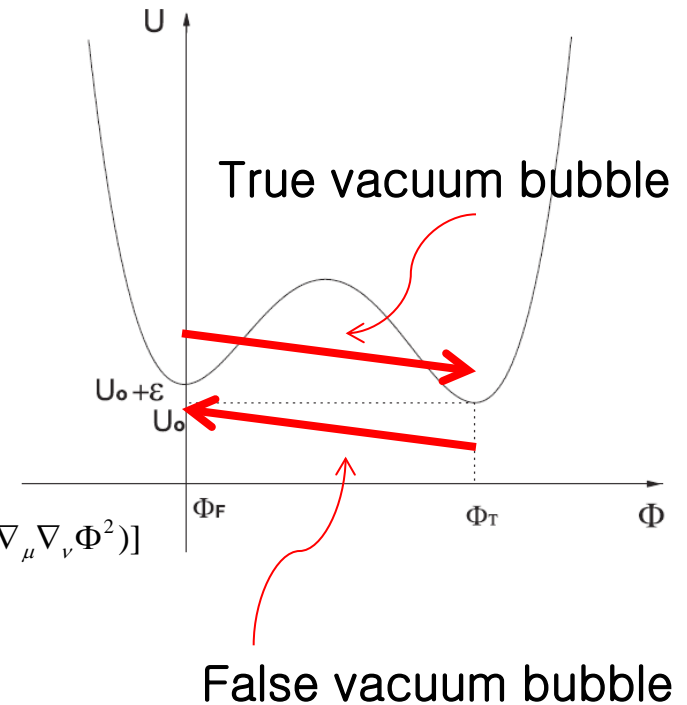
Einstein equations

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} R = \kappa T_{\mu\nu}$$

$$T_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{1 - \xi \Phi^2 \kappa} \left[ \nabla_\mu \Phi \nabla_\nu \Phi - g_{\mu\nu} \left( \frac{1}{2} \nabla^\alpha \Phi \nabla_\alpha \Phi + U \right) + \xi (g_{\mu\nu} \nabla^\alpha \nabla_\alpha \Phi^2 - \nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \Phi^2) \right]$$

curvature scalar

$$R = \frac{\kappa [4U(\Phi) + \nabla^\mu \Phi \nabla_\mu \Phi - 3\xi \nabla^\mu \nabla_\mu \Phi^2]}{1 - \xi \Phi^2 \kappa}$$



Rotationally invariant Euclidean metric : O(4)-symmetry

$$ds^2 = d\eta^2 + \rho^2(\eta)[d\chi^2 + \sin^2 \chi(d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2)]$$

The Euclidean field equations

$$\Phi'' + \frac{3\rho'}{\rho}\Phi' - \xi R_E \Phi = \frac{dU}{d\Phi} \quad \rho'^2 = 1 + \frac{\kappa\rho^2}{3(1 - \xi\Phi^2\kappa)}\left(\frac{1}{2}\Phi'^2 - U\right)$$

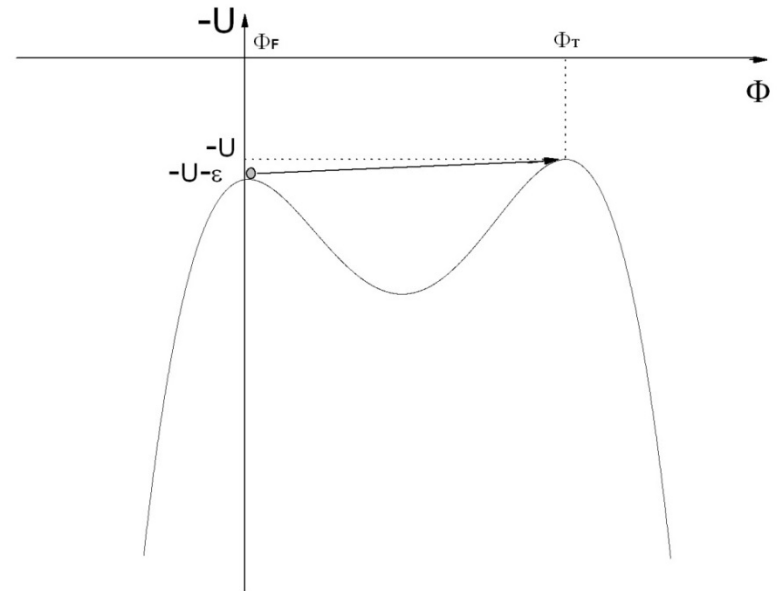
boundary conditions

$$\lim_{\eta \rightarrow \eta(\max)} \Phi(\eta) = \Phi_T, \quad \frac{d\Phi}{d\eta} \Big|_{\eta=0} = 0$$

Our main idea

$$\xi R_E \Phi > \frac{3\rho'}{\rho}\Phi'$$

(during the phase transition)



# True & False Vacuum Bubbles

(\*)Lee, Weinberg, PRD

|                                 | False-to-true<br>(True vac. Bubble) | True-to-false (*)<br>(False vac. Bubble) |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| De Sitter – de Sitter           | ○                                   | ○ (*)                                    |
| Flat – de Sitter                | ○                                   | ○  |
| Anti de Sitter – de Sitter      | ○                                   | ⊗  |
| Anti de Sitter – flat           | ○                                   | ○  |
| Anti de Sitter – Anti de Sitter | ○                                   | ○  |

(\*) exists in

(1) non-minimally coupled gravity

(W.Lee, BHL, C.H.Lee, C.Park, PRD(2006))

or in

(2) Brans-Dicke type theory

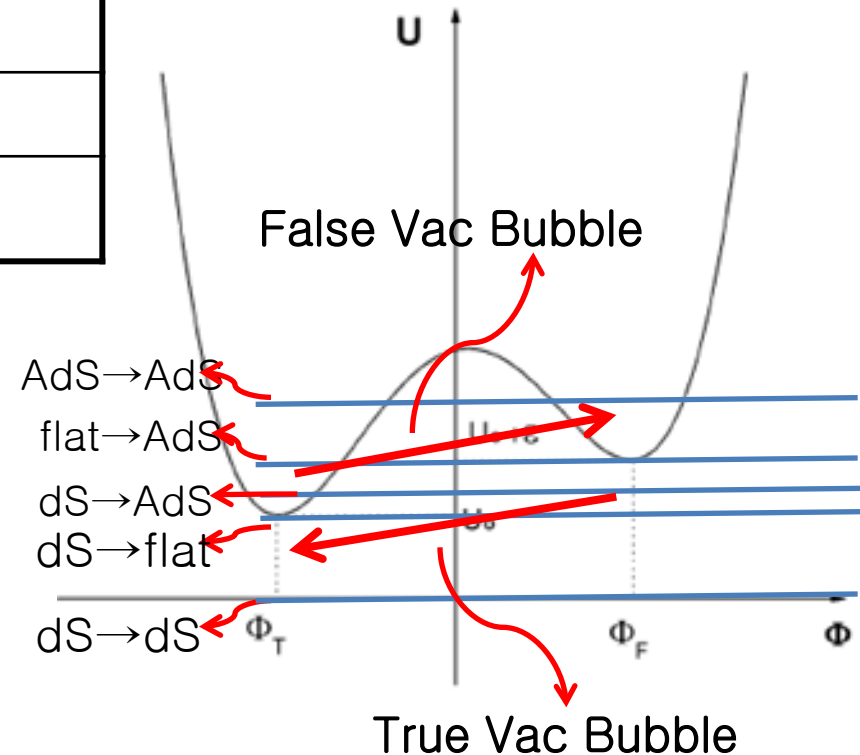
(H.Kim, BHL, W.Lee, Y.J. Lee, D.-H. Yeom, PRD(2011))

## Dynamics of False Vacuum Bubble :

Can exist an expanding false vac bubble inside the true vacuum

BHL, C.H.Lee, W.Lee, S. Nam, C.Park, PRD(2008) (for nonminimal coupling)

BHL, W.Lee, D.-H. Yeom, JCAP(2011) (for Brans-Dicke)



# 3.2 vacuum bubbles with finite geometry

BHL, C.H. Lee, W.Lee & C.Oh,

## dS-dS

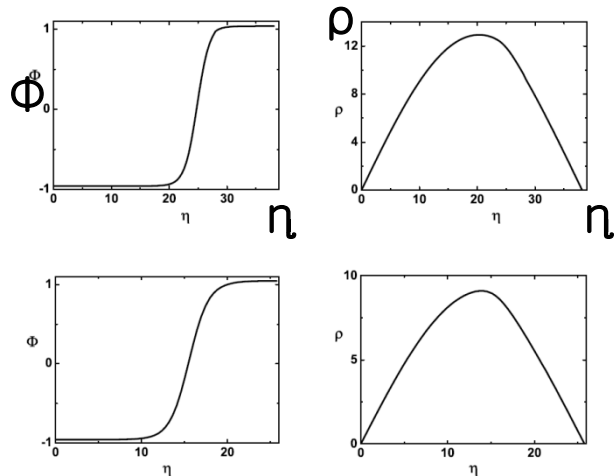


Figure 2: dS-dS cases.  $\epsilon = 0.04$ ,  $\kappa = 0.1$ , and  $U_0 = 0.1$  for for top figure.  $\epsilon = 0.04$ ,  $\kappa = 0.2$ , and  $U_0 = 0.1$  for for bottom figure.

## dS-AdS

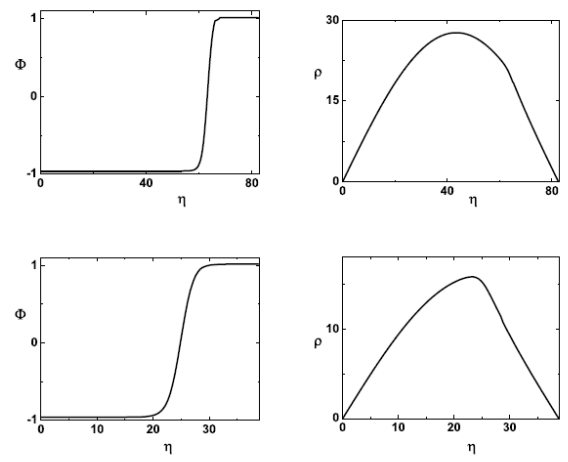


Figure 3: dS-AdS cases.  $\epsilon = 0.04$ ,  $\kappa = 0.1$ , and  $U_0 = -0.04$  for for top figure.  $\epsilon = 0.04$ ,  $\kappa = 0.3$ , and  $U_0 = -0.04$  for for bottom figure.

## dS-flat

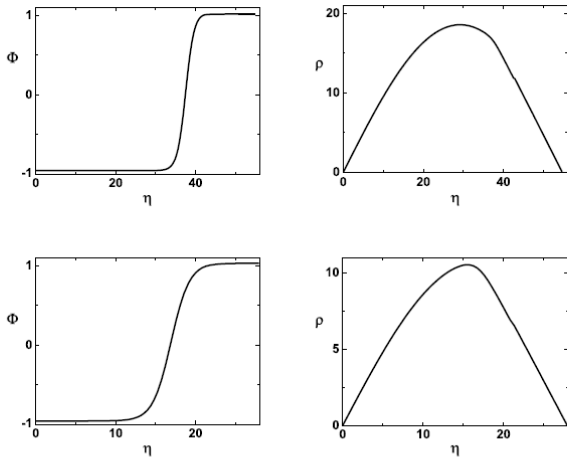


Figure 4: ds-flat cases.  $\epsilon = 0.04$ ,  $\kappa = 0.1$ , and  $U_0 = 0.0077$  for for top figure.  $\epsilon = 0.04$ ,  $\kappa = 0.3$ , and  $U_0 = 0.0077$  for for bottom figure.

## flat-AdS and AdS-AdS

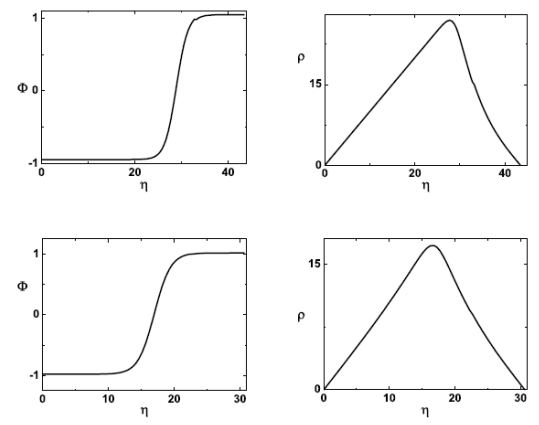


Figure 5: Flat-AdS and AdS-AdS cases.  $\epsilon = 0.05$ ,  $\kappa = 0.7$ , and  $U_0 = -0.09868$  for flat-AdS case.  $\epsilon = 0.02$ ,  $\kappa = 0.7$ , and  $U_0 = -0.05$  for AdS-AdS case.

### 3.3 Tunneling between the degenerate vacua

∃ Z2-symm. with finite geometry bubble

Potential 
$$U(\Phi) = \frac{\lambda}{8} \left( \Phi^2 - \frac{\mu^2}{\lambda} \right)^2 + U_o.$$

O(4)-symmetric Euclidean metric

$$ds^2 = d\eta^2 + \rho^2(\eta)[d\chi^2 + \sin^2 \chi(d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2)]$$

Equations of motions

$$\Phi'' + \frac{3\rho'}{\rho}\Phi' = \frac{dU}{d\Phi} \quad \rho'' = -\frac{\kappa}{3}\rho(\Phi'^2 + U),$$

Boundary condition (consistent with Z2-sym.)

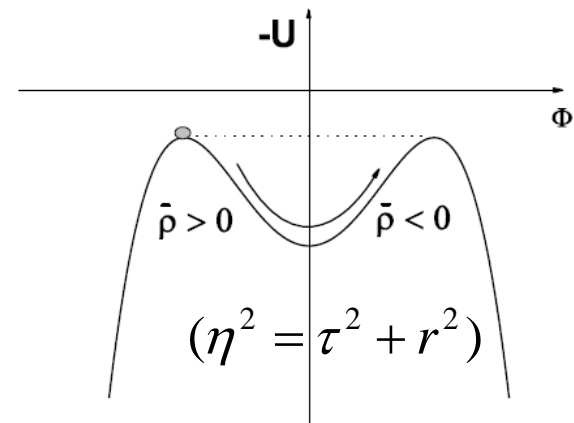
$$\rho|_{\eta=0} = 0, \quad \rho|_{\eta=\eta_{max}} = 0, \quad \frac{d\Phi}{d\eta}\Big|_{\eta=0} = 0, \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d\Phi}{d\eta}\Big|_{\eta=\eta_{max}} = 0.$$

– in de Sitter space.

The numerical solution by Hackworth and Weinberg.

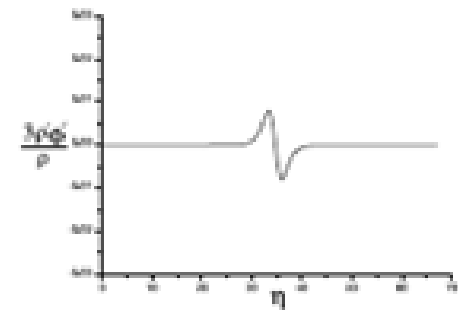
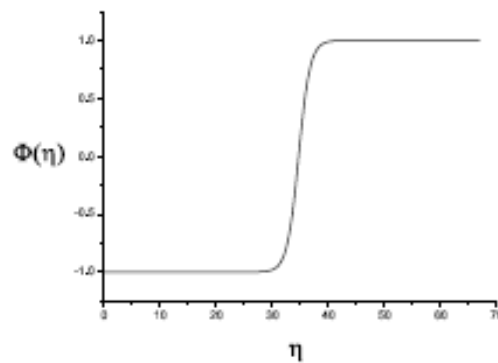
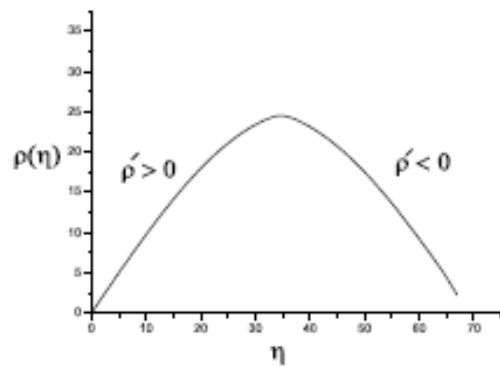
The analytic computation and interpretation :

(BHL & W. Lee, CQG (2009))

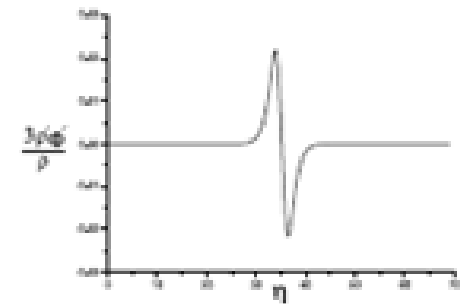
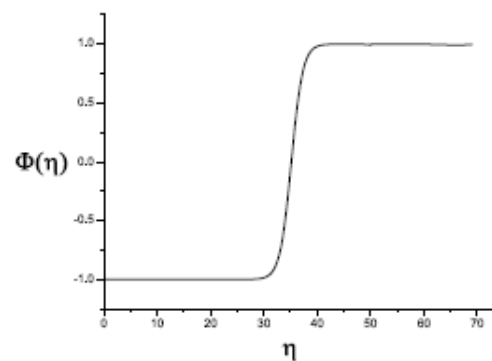
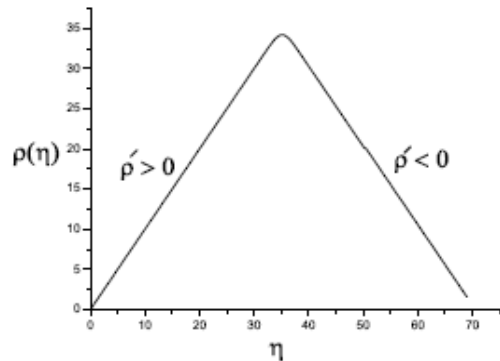




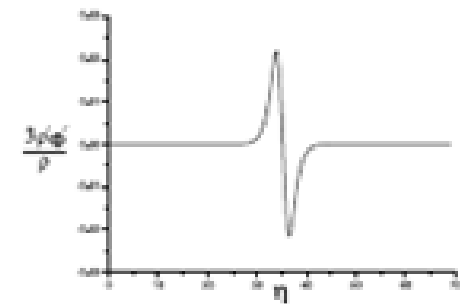
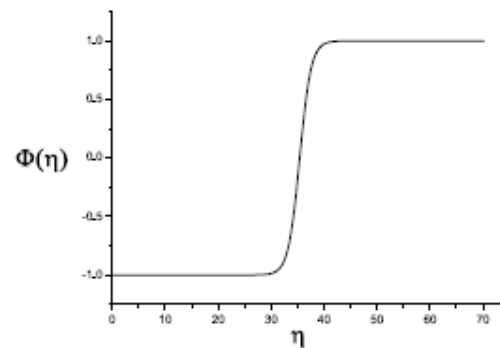
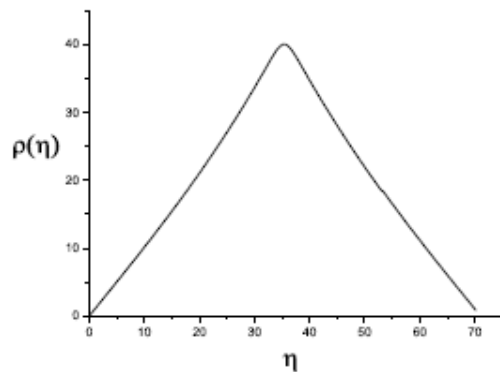
dS - dS



flat - flat

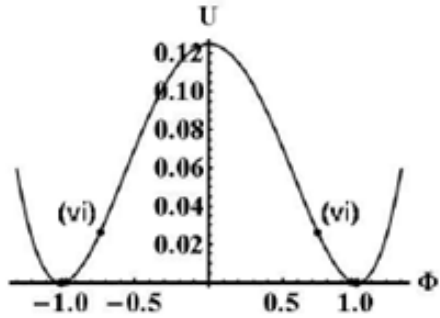


AdS-AdS

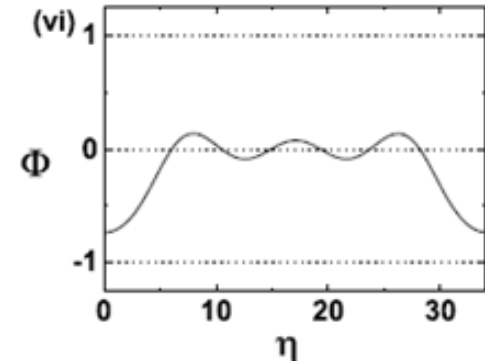
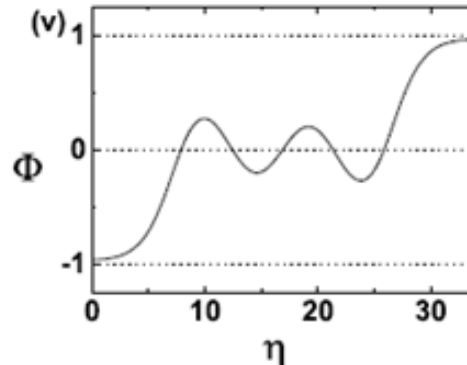
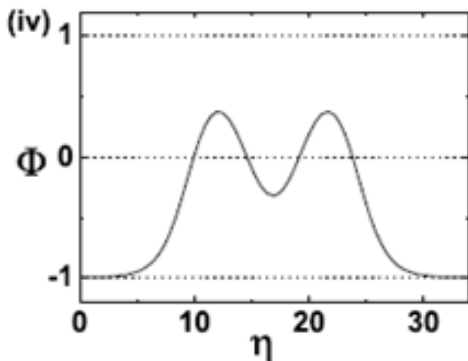
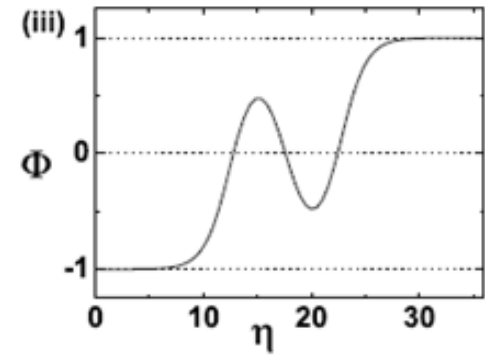
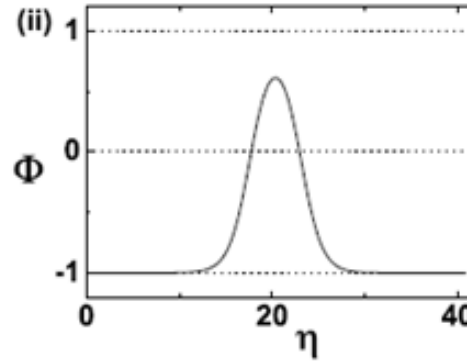
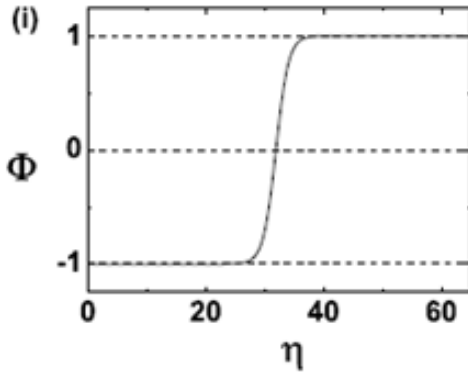
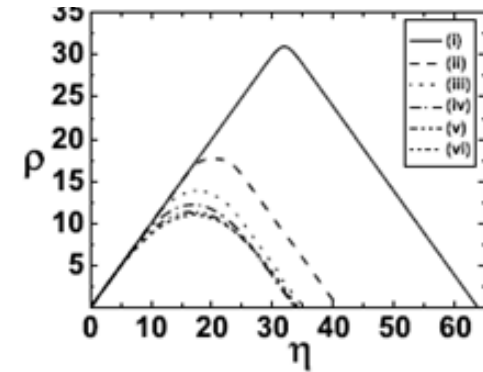


### 3.3 Oscillating solutions : a) between flat-flat degenerate vacua $\tilde{\kappa} = 0.2$ )

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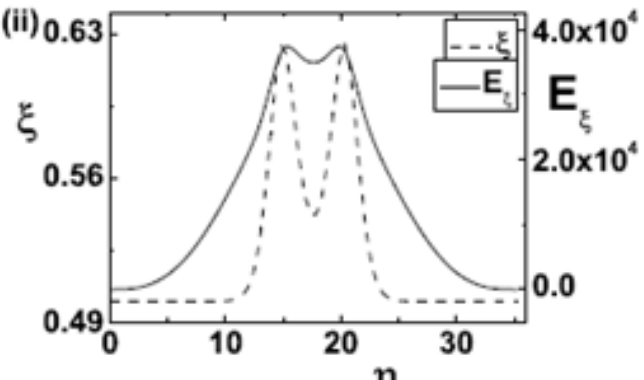
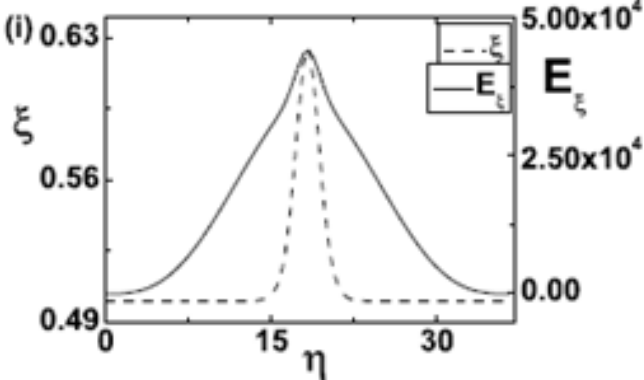
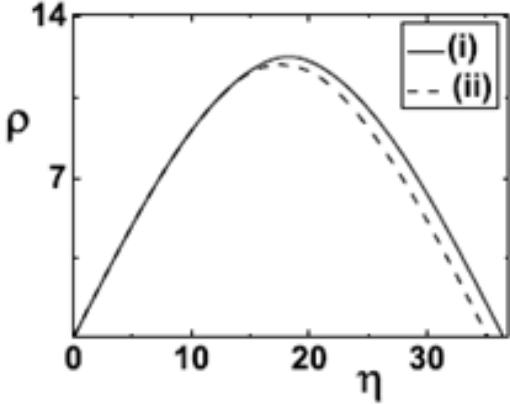
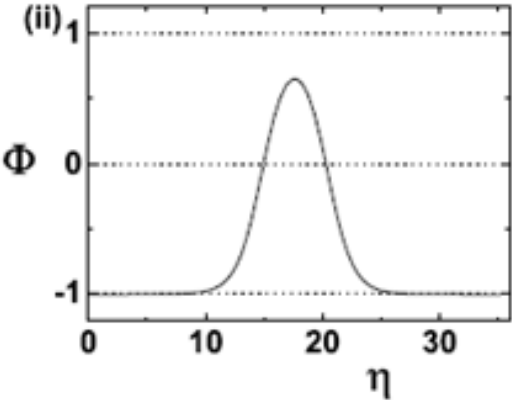
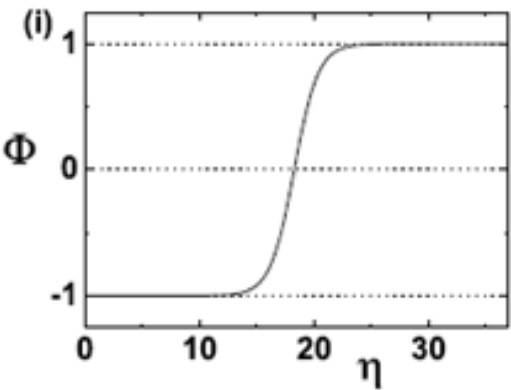


| Number of Oscillation | $\Phi_0$            |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 1                     | -0.9999999999355985 |
| 2                     | -0.99999585754      |
| 3                     | -0.9995857315805    |
| 4                     | -0.994499           |
| 5                     | -0.9661682          |
| 6                     | -0.7348584          |



This type of solutions is possible only if gravity is taken into account.

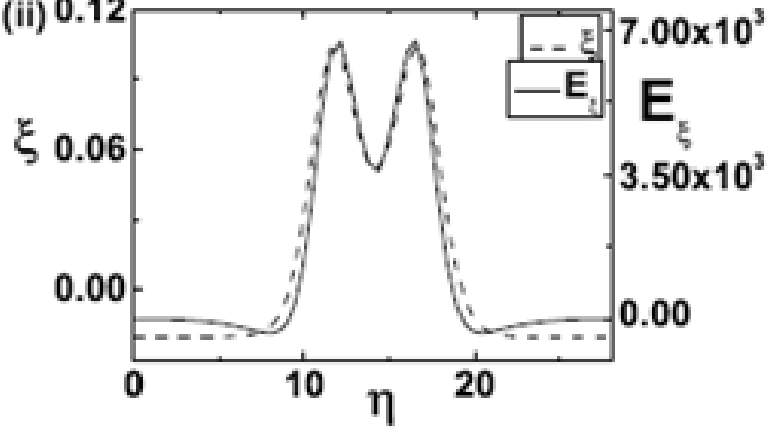
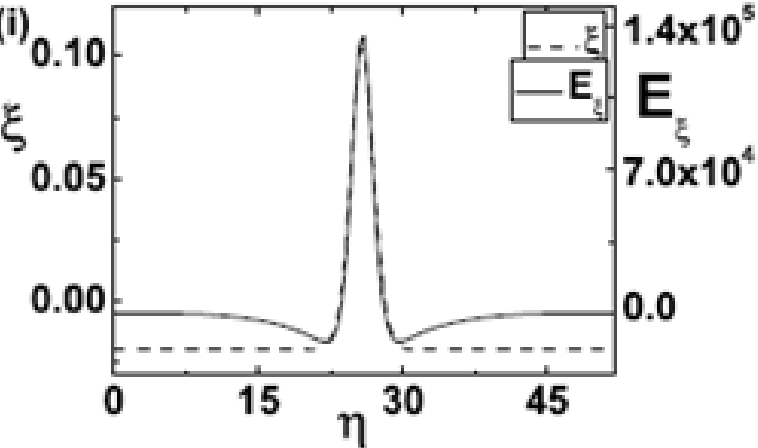
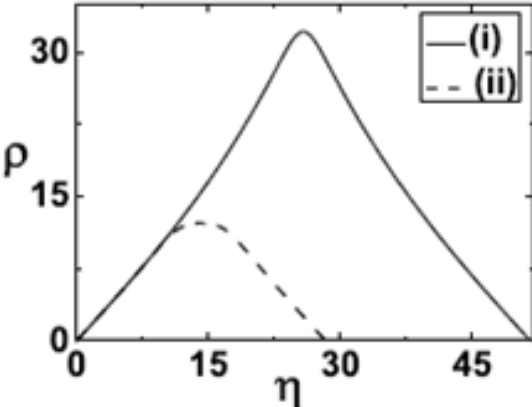
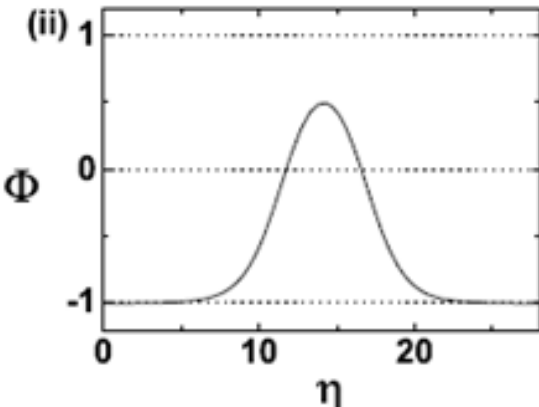
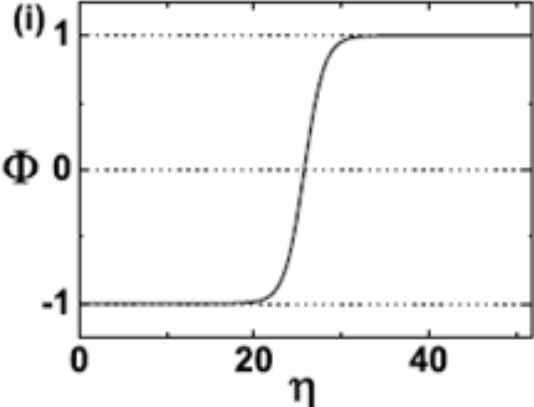
### 3.3 Oscillaing solutions - b) between dS-dS degenerate vacua



$$\tilde{U}_o = 0.5 \text{ and } \tilde{\kappa} = 0.04$$

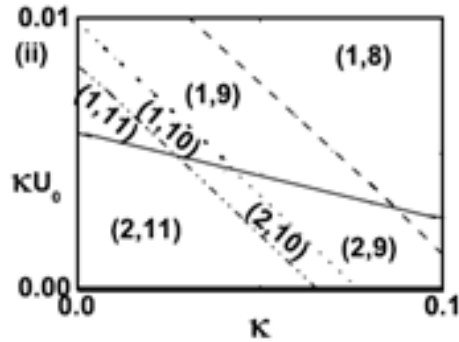
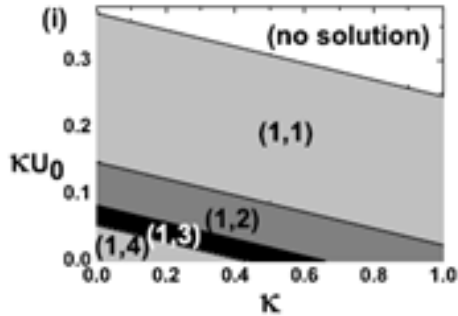
### 3.3 Oscillaing solutions – c) between **AdS-AdS** degenerate vacua

$$\tilde{U}_o = -0 \text{ and } \tilde{\kappa} = 0.4$$

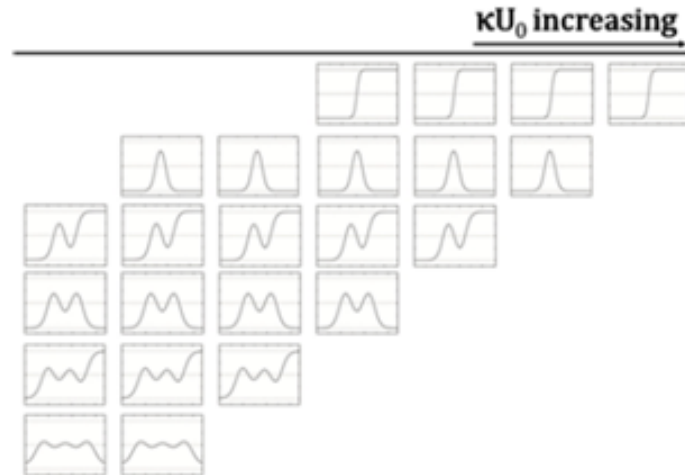
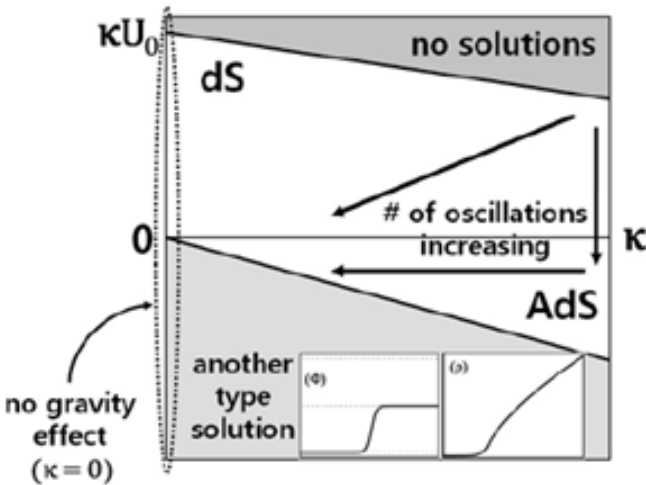
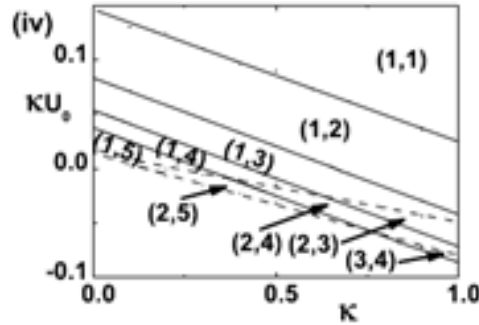
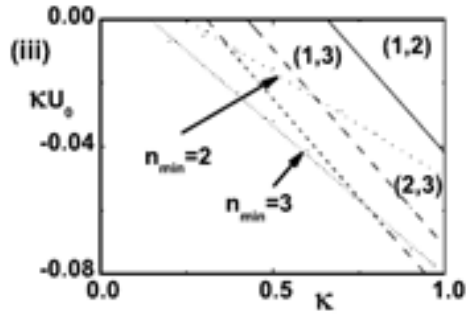


# The phase space of solutions

$$0 \leq \tilde{\kappa} \leq 1$$



the notation  $(n\_min, n\_max)$ , where  $n\_min$  means the minimum number of oscillations and  $n\_max$  the maximum number of oscillation



# 3.4 Fubini Instanton in Gravity

Review : In the Absence of Gravity

action  $S = \int_{\mathcal{M}} \sqrt{-g} d^4x \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^\alpha \Phi \nabla_\alpha \Phi - U(\Phi) \right]$

$$U(\Phi) = -\frac{\lambda}{4} \Phi^4$$

Equation of motion

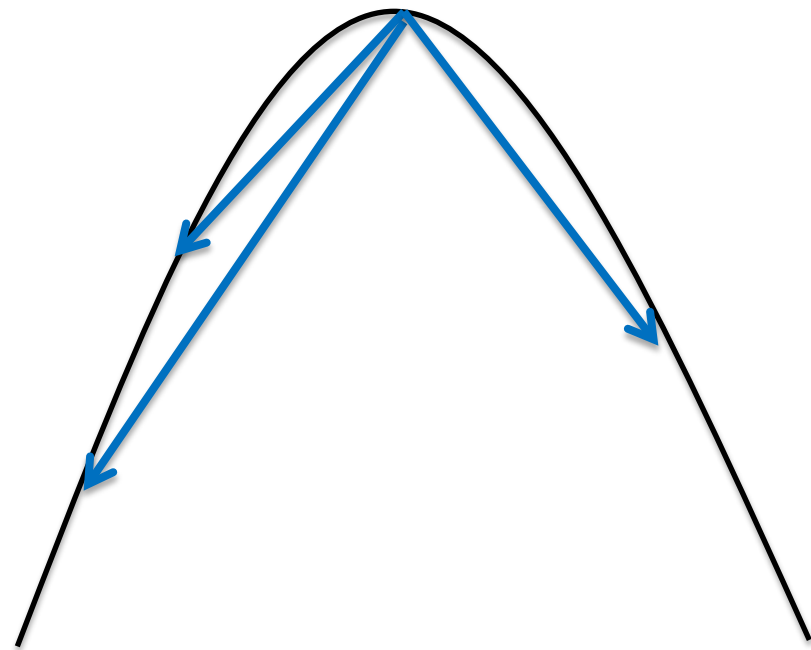
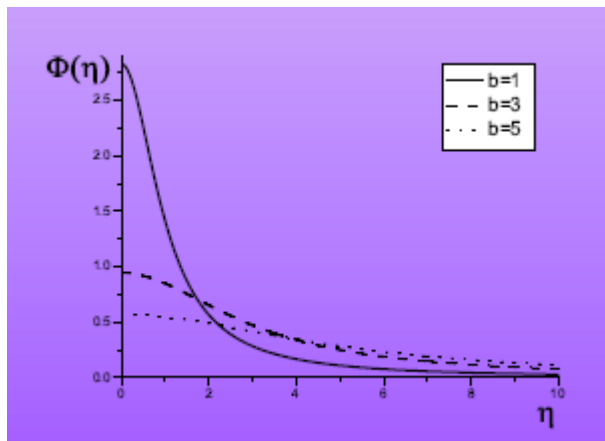
$$\Phi'' + \frac{3\rho'}{\rho} \Phi' = \frac{dU}{d\Phi}$$

Boundary conditions

$$\Phi|_{\eta=0} = \Phi_o \quad \text{and} \quad \left. \frac{d\Phi}{d\eta} \right|_{\eta=\infty} = 0$$

solution

$$\Phi(\eta) = \sqrt{\frac{8}{\lambda}} \frac{b}{\eta^2 + b^2}$$



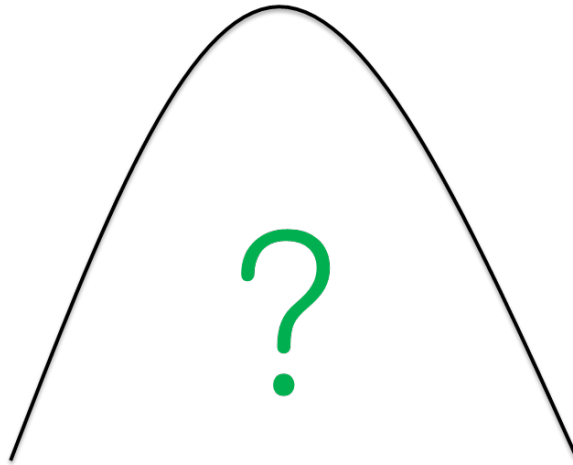
- Fubini, Nuovo Cimento 34A (1976)
- Lipatov – JETP45 (1977)

# In the Presence of Gravity

$$U(\Phi) = \frac{\lambda}{4}\Phi^4 - \frac{m^2}{2}\Phi^2 + \epsilon\Phi$$

$$U(\Phi) = -\frac{\lambda}{4}\Phi^4$$

$$U(\Phi) = -\frac{\lambda}{4}\Phi^4 + \frac{m^2}{2}\Phi^2$$



Action 
$$S = \int_{\mathcal{M}} \sqrt{-g} d^4x \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^\alpha \Phi \nabla_\alpha \Phi - U(\Phi) \right]$$

O(4) symmetric metric

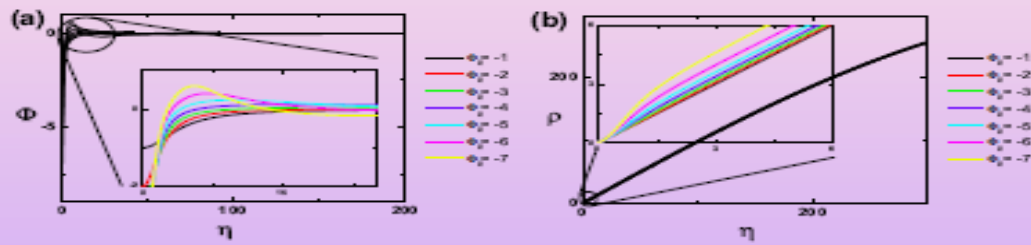
$$ds^2 = d\eta^2 + \rho(\eta)^2 [d\chi^2 + \sin^2 \chi (d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2)]$$

Equations of motion

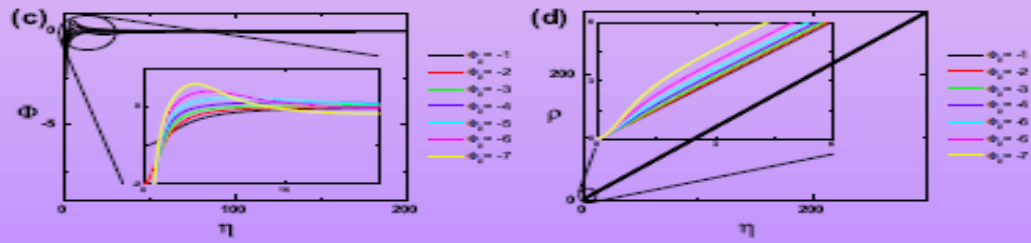
$$\Phi'' + \frac{3\rho'}{\rho}\Phi' = \frac{dU}{d\Phi} \quad \rho'' = -\frac{\kappa}{3}\rho(\Phi'^2 + U) \quad \rho'^2 - 1 - \frac{\kappa\rho^2}{3}\left(\frac{1}{2}\Phi'^2 - U\right) = 0$$

Boundary Conditions

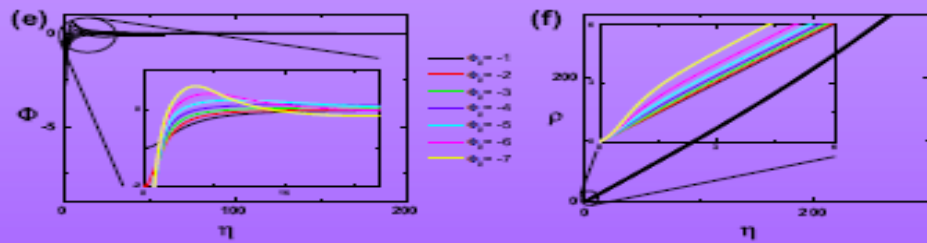
$$\rho|_{\eta=0} = 0, \quad \frac{d\rho}{d\eta}\Big|_{\eta=0} = 1, \quad \frac{d\Phi}{d\eta}\Big|_{\eta=0} = 0, \quad \text{and} \quad \Phi|_{\eta=\eta_{max}} = 0$$



A. the initial dS background



B. the initial flat background



C. the initial AdS background

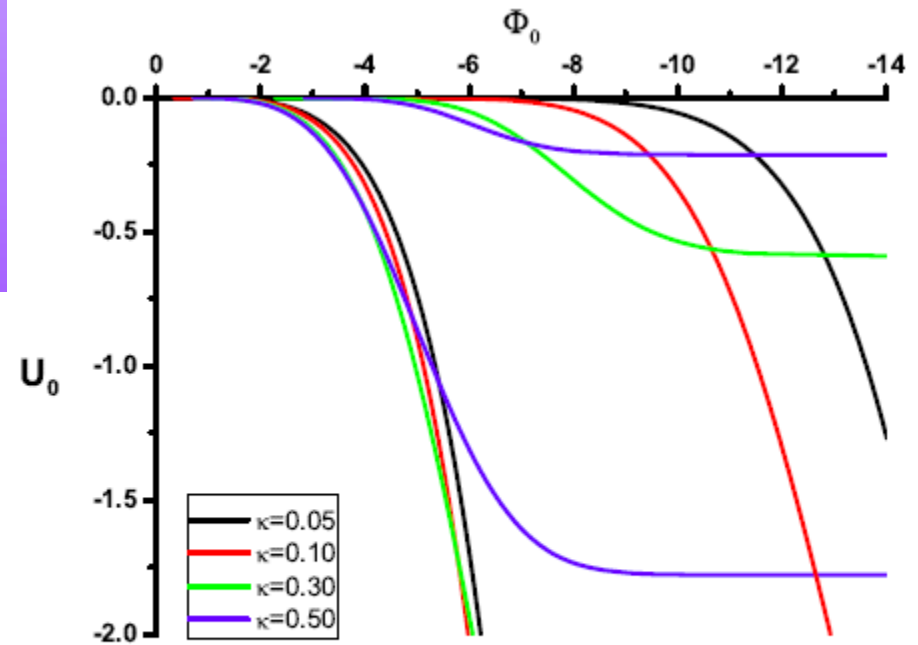


Figure 9: Phase diagram for  $\Lambda \leq 0$  with several  $\kappa$ 's.

B-HL, W. Lee, C. Oh, D. Yeom, D. Rho  
 JHEP 1306 (2013) 003;  
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## 4. Possible Cosmological Implication

### 4.1 5Dim. Z2 symmetric Black hole with a domain wall solution.

After the nucleation, the domain wall (that may be interpreted as our braneworld universe) evolves in the radial direction of the bulk spacetime.

$$r = a(\tau), \quad \dot{a}^2 + V(a) = 0$$

The equation becomes

$$\frac{\dot{a}^2}{a^2} + \frac{1}{a^2} = \frac{1}{3}\lambda + \frac{2m_*}{a^4} - \frac{q^2}{a^6},$$

$\lambda = 3A$  : the effective cosmological constant.  
mass term  $\sim$  the radiation in the universe  
charge term  $\sim$  the stiff matter  
with a negative energy density.

### Cosmological solutions

the expanding domain wall (universe) solution ( $a > r^*, +$ ).

approaching the de Sitter inflation with  $\lambda$ , since the contributions of the mass and charge terms are diluted.

contracting solution ( $a < r^*, +$ ) : the initially collapsing universe.

The domain wall does not run into the singularity & experiences a bounce since there is the barrier in  $V(a)$  because of the charge  $q$ .

## 4.2 Application to the No-boundary

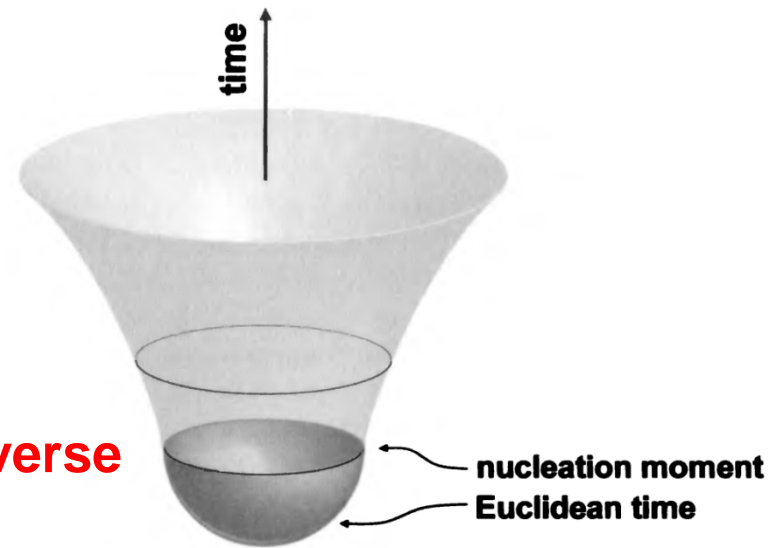
before

nothing



after

Something,  
homogeneous



to avoid the singularity problem of a Universe

the no-boundary proposal by Hartle and Hawking

cf) Vilenkin's tunneling boundary condition

the ground state wave function of the universe is given by the Euclidean path integral satisfying the WD equation

$$\Psi[h_{\mu\nu}, \chi] = \int_{\partial g=h, \partial\phi=\chi} \mathcal{D}g \mathcal{D}\phi e^{-S_E[g, \phi]}$$

Consider the Euclidean action  $S_E = - \int d^4x \sqrt{+g} \left( \frac{1}{16\pi} R - \frac{1}{2} (\nabla\phi)^2 - V(\phi) \right)$

the mini-superspace approximation  $\Rightarrow$  the scale factor as the only dof.

$$ds_E^2 = d\eta^2 + \rho^2(\eta) (d\chi^2 + \sin^2 \chi (d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\varphi^2))$$

# The equations of motion

$$\ddot{\phi} = -3\frac{\dot{\rho}}{\rho}\dot{\phi} \pm V', \quad \ddot{\rho} = -\frac{8\pi}{3}\rho(\dot{\phi}^2 \pm V),$$

the regular initial conditions at  $\eta = 0$

$$\phi = \phi_0, \quad \rho(0) = 0, \quad \dot{\rho}(0) = 1, \quad \dot{\phi}(0) = 0,$$

We impose the followings at the tunneling point  $\eta = \eta_{\max}$ ,

$$\rho(t = 0) = \rho(\eta = \eta_{\max}), \quad \dot{\rho}(t = 0) = i\dot{\rho}(\eta = \eta_{\max}),$$

$$\phi(t = 0) = \phi(\eta = \eta_{\max}), \quad \dot{\phi}(t = 0) = i\dot{\phi}(\eta = \eta_{\max}),$$

to analytically continue the solution to the Lorentzian manifold

using  $d\eta = idt$ .

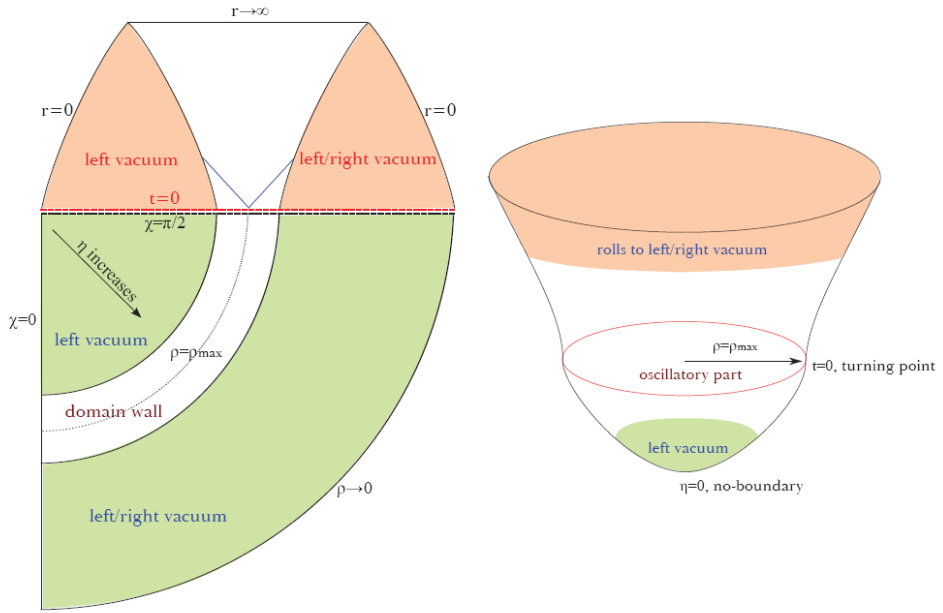


Fig. 2. Left: analytic continuation  $\chi \rightarrow \pi/2 + it$ . Right: analytic continuation  $\eta \rightarrow \eta_{\max} + it$ .

## 4.3 General vacuum decay problem

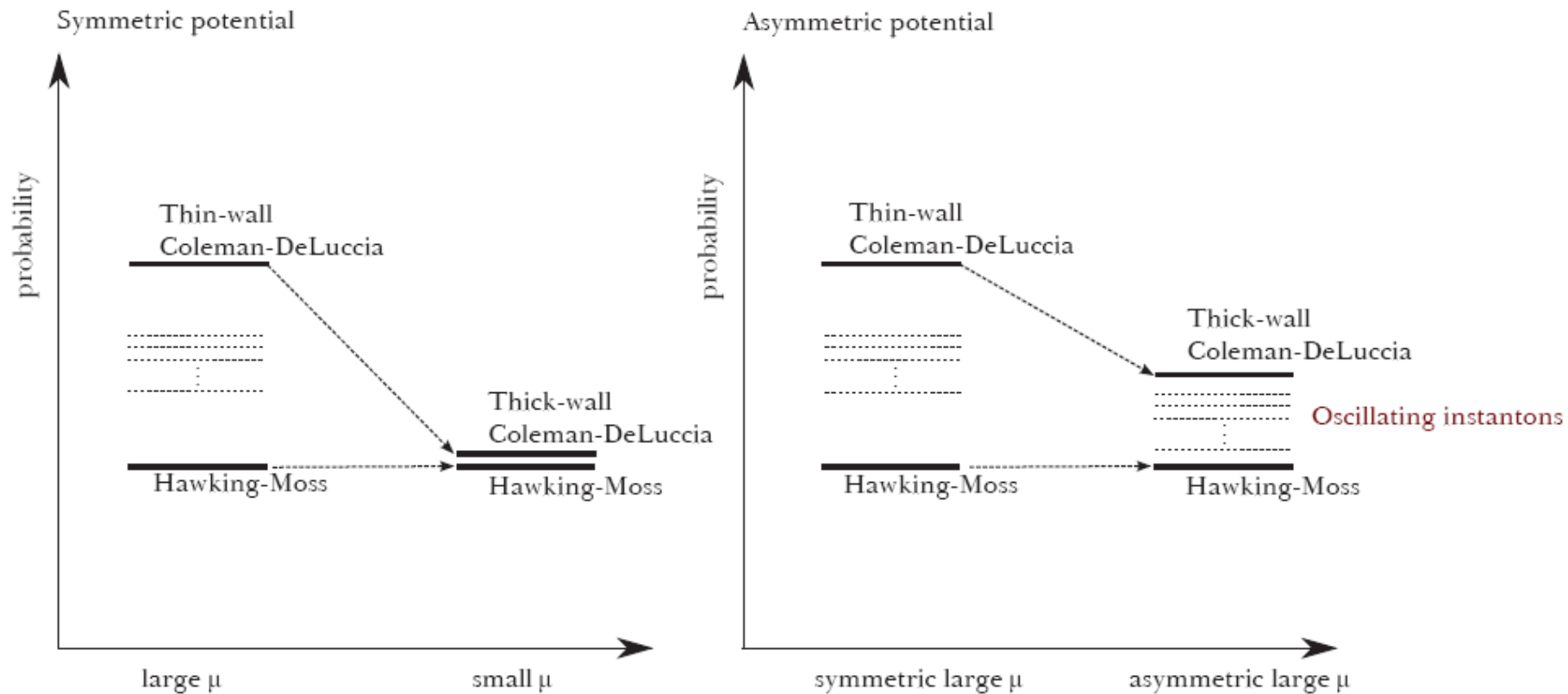


Fig. 9. Conceptual picture of probabilities. Left: When we decrease  $\mu$  around the local maximum with symmetry, then the thin-wall Coleman-de Luccia solution approaches the thick-wall Coleman-de Luccia solution and this approaches the Hawking-Moss solution. Right: When we change the symmetry with a constant large  $\mu$ , then the thin-wall Coleman-de Luccia solution approaches a thick-wall Coleman-de Luccia solution and oscillating instantons do not disappear.

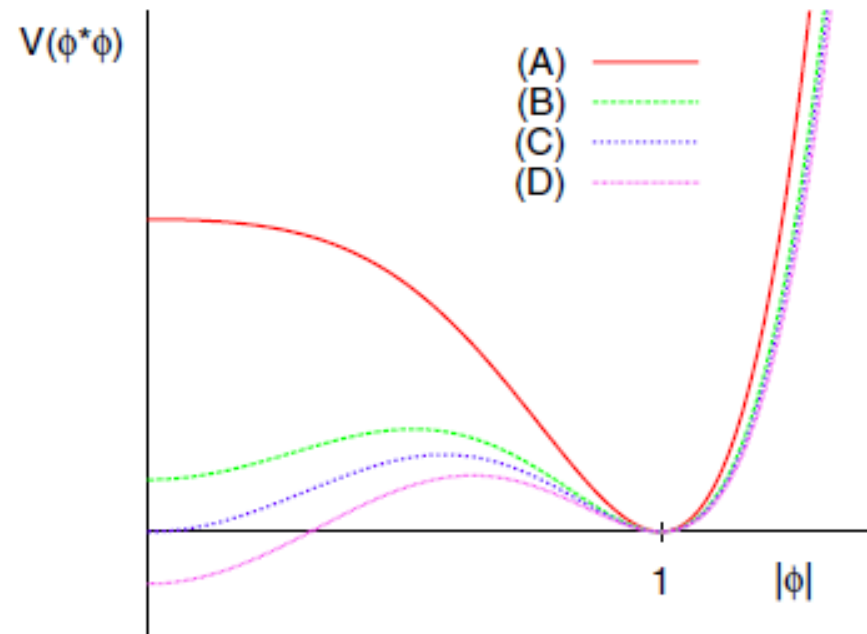
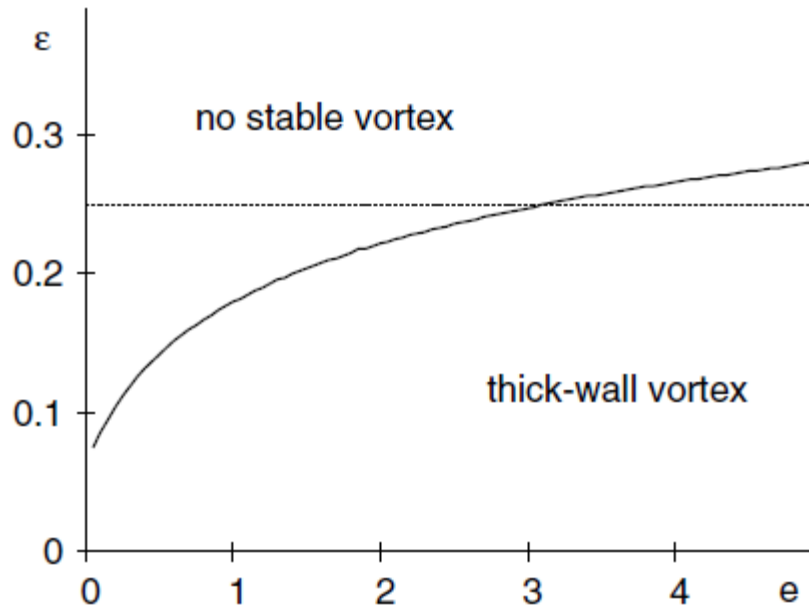
## 4.4 False Cosmic String and its Decay

Action

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} + (D_{\mu}\phi)^*(D^{\mu}\phi) - V(\phi^*\phi)$$

$$V(\phi^*\phi) = \lambda(|\phi|^2 - \epsilon v^2)(|\phi|^2 - v^2)^2.$$

Vortex Solution



B-HL, W. Lee, R. MacKenzie, M. Paranjape U. Yajnik, D-h Yeom.  
PRD88 (2013) 085031 arXiv:1308.3501  
PRD88 (2013) 105008 arXiv:1310.3005

# Decay of the False String (thin wall approximation)

$$S_E = \frac{1}{\lambda v^2} \int d^2x \frac{1}{2} M(R(z, \tau)) (\dot{R}^2 + R'^2) + E(R(z, \tau)) - E(R_0)$$

## Tunnelling Solution

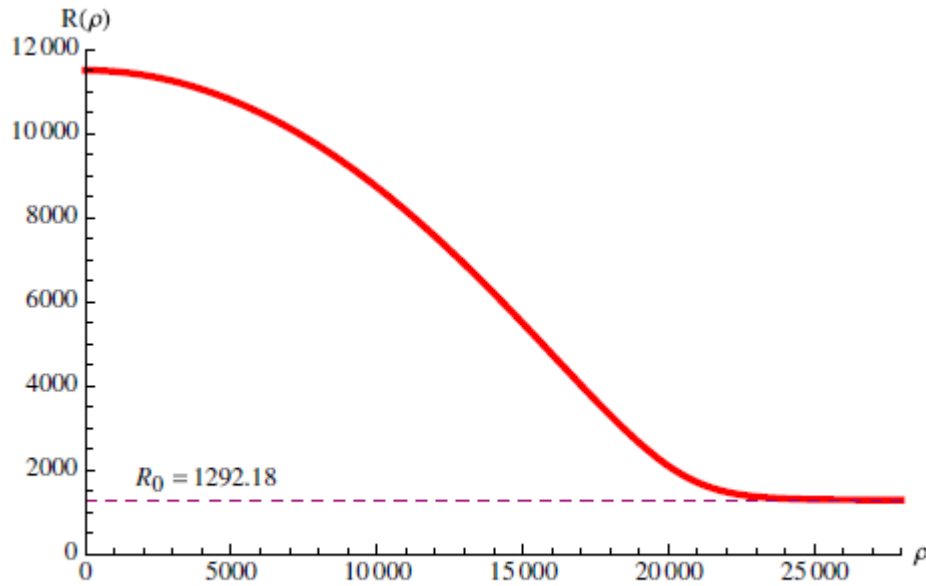


FIG. 2 (color online). The radius as a function of  $\rho$ .

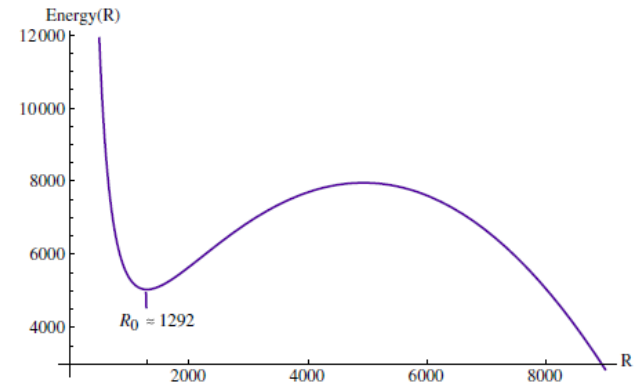
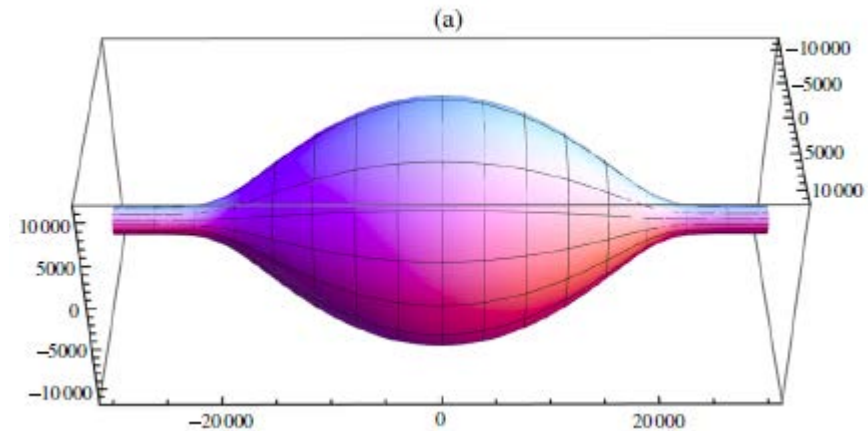
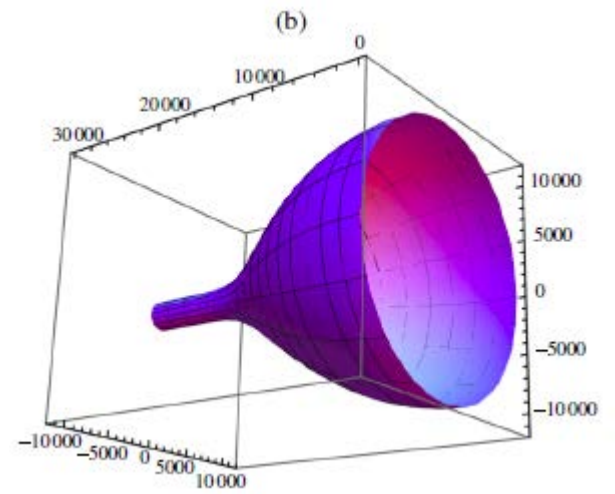
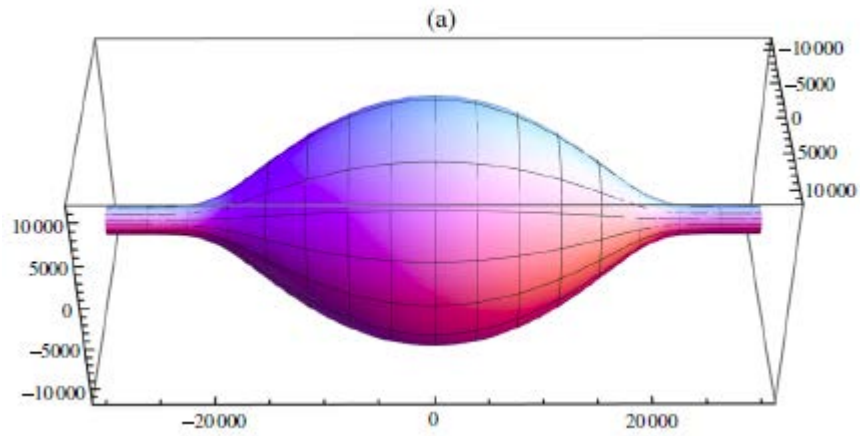


FIG. 1 (color online). The energy as a function of  $R$ , for  $n = 100$ ,  $e = 0.005$  and  $\epsilon = 0.0001$ .





## 5. Summary and Discussions

- We reviewed the formulation of the bubble.
- False vacua exist e.g., in non-minimally coupled theory.
- Vacuum bubbles with finite geometry, with the radius & nucleation rate
- New Type of the solutions :  
Ex) bubble with compact geometry,  
degenerate vacua in dS, flat, & AdS.  
Oscillating solutions; can make the thick domain wall.
- Similar analysis for the Fubini instanton
- Physical role and interpretation of many solutions are still not clear.
- The application to the braneworld cosmology has been discussed for the model of magnetically charged BH pairs separated by a domain wall in the 4 or 5-dim. spacetime with a cosmological constant.
- Can there be alternative model for the accelerating expanding universe?



**Thank you !**