

Relativistic stars in $f(R)$ gravity and Chameleon

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- ◆ Action, equations of motion, spherically symmetric ansatz
- ◆ Chameleon model
- ◆ $f(R)$ gravity
- ◆ Conclusions

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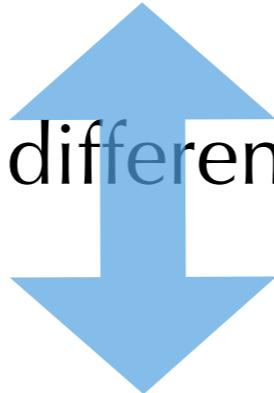
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Dark Energy

Carroll et.al.'03

- ◆ Fast tachyonic instability,
- ◆ $\gamma = 1/2$ (need $\gamma = 1$)

Dolgov,Kawasaki'03

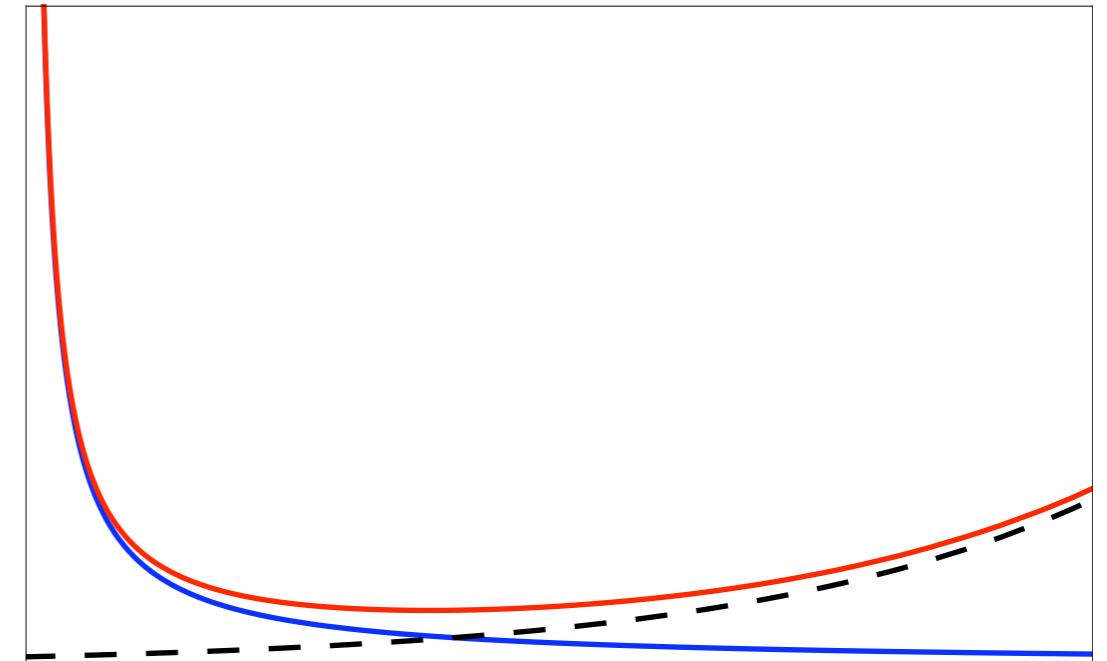
Chiba'03

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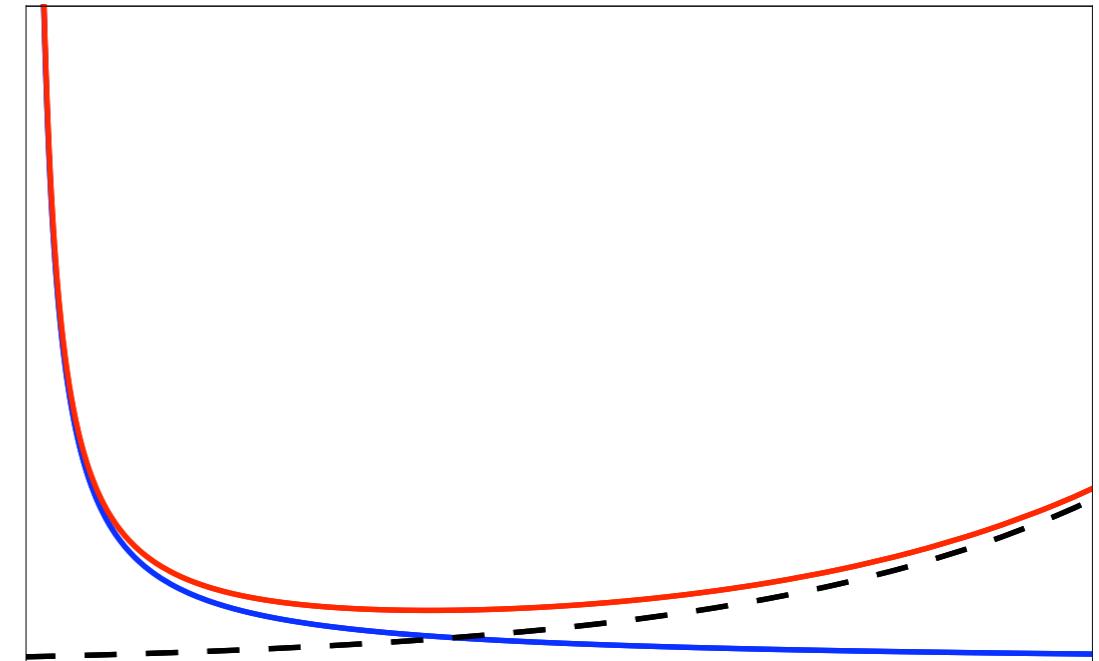
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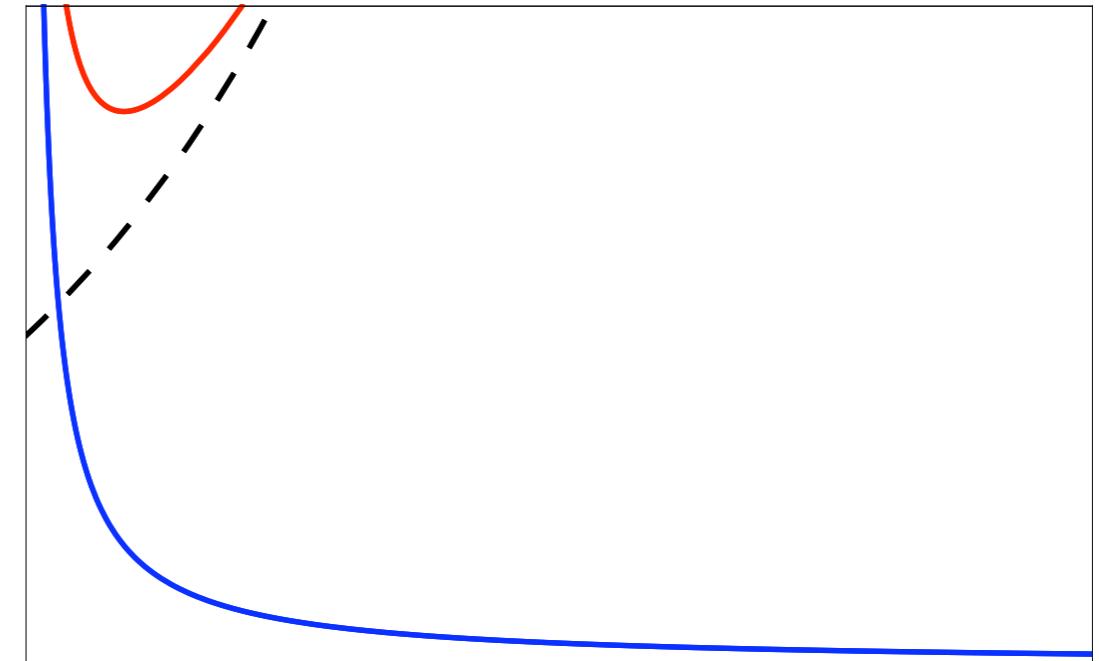
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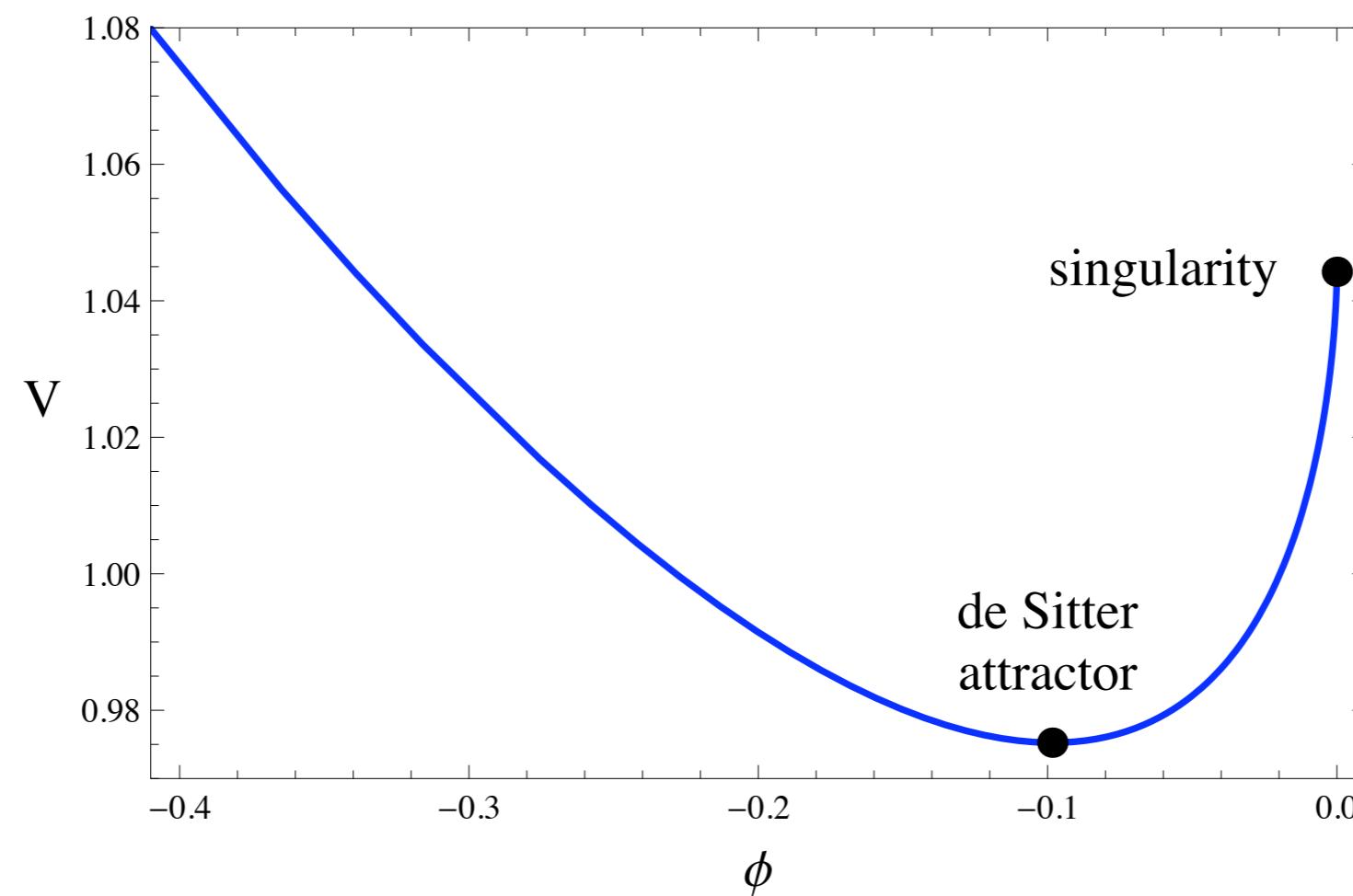
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- ♦ equations of motion,

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}R = M_P^{-2} \left[T_{\mu\nu}^{(m)} + \partial_\mu\phi\partial_\nu\phi - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu}\partial^\sigma\phi\partial_\sigma\phi - Vg_{\mu\nu} \right]$$

$$\nabla_\sigma\nabla^\sigma\phi = -\frac{dV}{d\phi} - \frac{\Omega'}{\Omega}T^{(m)}$$

$$T^{(m)} \equiv g^{\mu\nu}T_{\mu\nu}^{(m)} = -\rho + 3P$$

action and eoms (II)

- ♦ static spherically symmetric ansatz,

$$ds^2 = -e^\nu dt^2 + e^\lambda dr^2 + r^2 (d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2)$$

$$e^{-\lambda} \equiv 1 - 2m/r$$

- ♦ energy-momentum conservation (in Jordan frame!),

$$\tilde{\nabla}_\mu \tilde{T}_{(m)\nu}^\mu = 0$$

$$\tilde{T}_\nu^\mu = \Omega^{-4} T_\nu^\mu, \quad \rho = \Omega^4 \tilde{\rho}, \quad P = \Omega^4 \tilde{P}$$

- ♦ equation of state closes the system of equations,

$$\tilde{P} = \tilde{P}(\tilde{\rho})$$

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tt component

$$m' = \frac{r^2}{2M_P^2} \left[\Omega^4 \tilde{\rho} + \frac{1}{2} e^{-\lambda} \phi'^2 + V(\phi) \right],$$

rr component

$$\nu' = e^\lambda \left[\frac{2m}{r^2} + \frac{r}{M_P^2} \left(\frac{1}{2} e^{-\lambda} \phi'^2 - V(\phi) \right) + \frac{r\Omega^4 \tilde{P}}{M_P^2} \right],$$

conservation

$$\tilde{P}' = -\frac{1}{2} (\tilde{\rho} + \tilde{P}) \left(\nu' + 2 \frac{\Omega'}{\Omega} \phi' \right),$$

eq of state

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Klein-Gordon eq

$$\phi'' + \left(\frac{2}{r} + \frac{1}{2} (\nu' - \lambda') \right) \phi' = e^\lambda \left[\frac{dV}{d\phi} + \Omega^3 \Omega' (\tilde{\rho} - 3\tilde{P}) \right].$$

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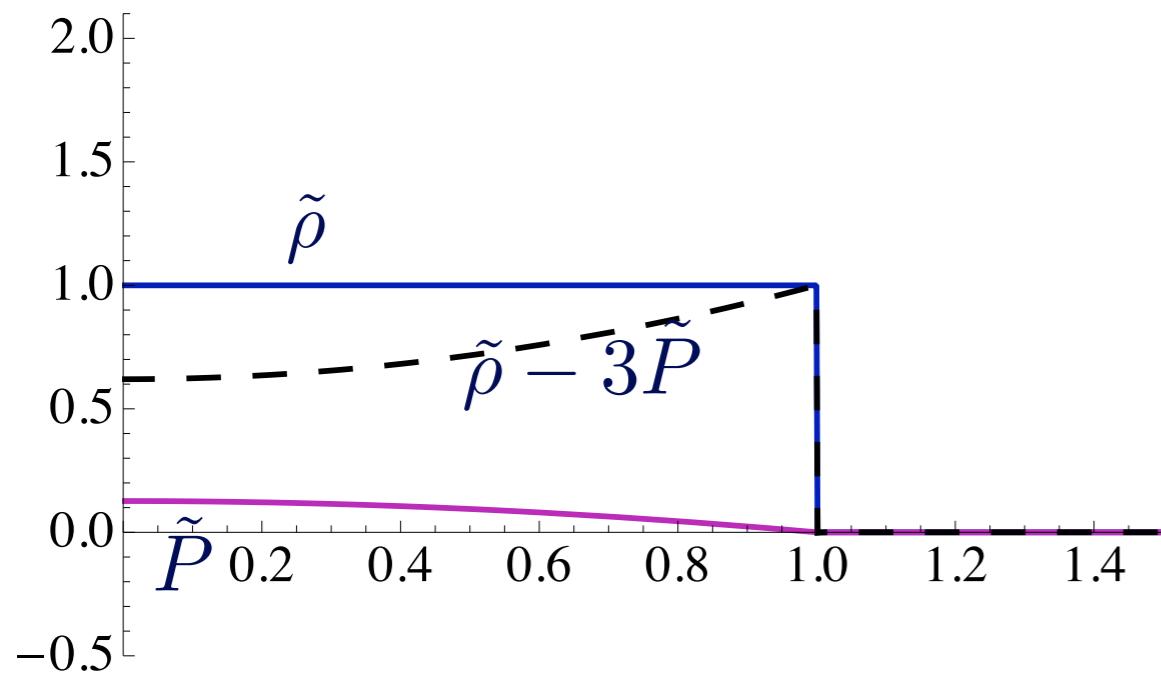
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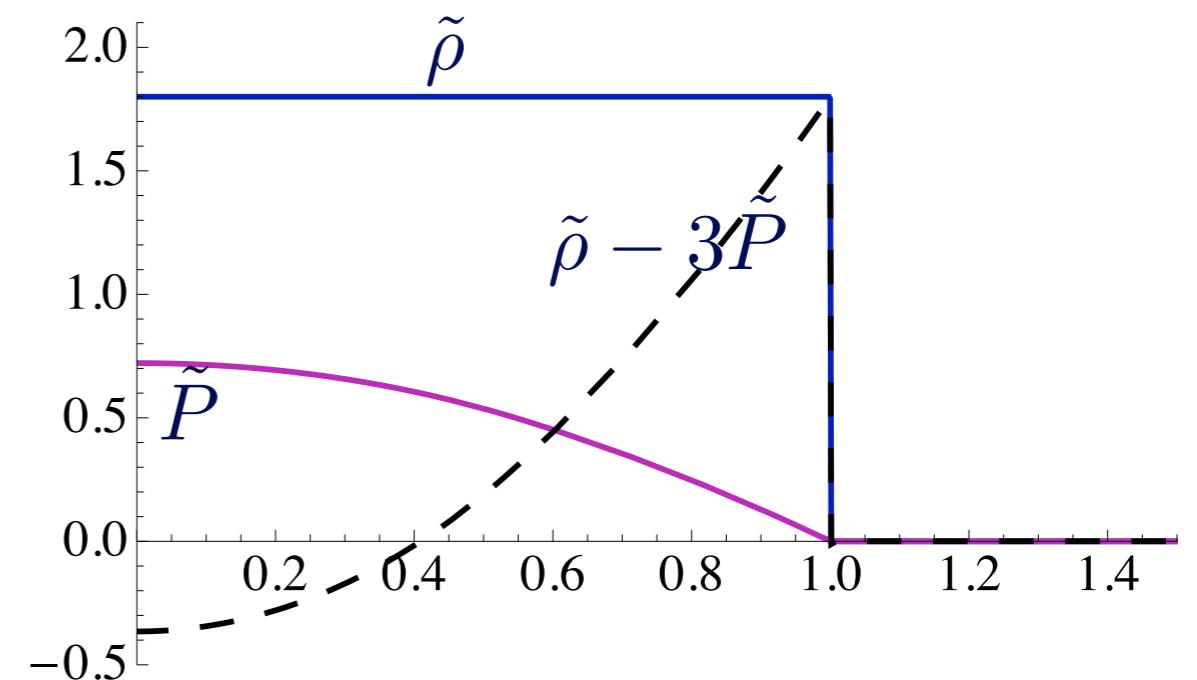
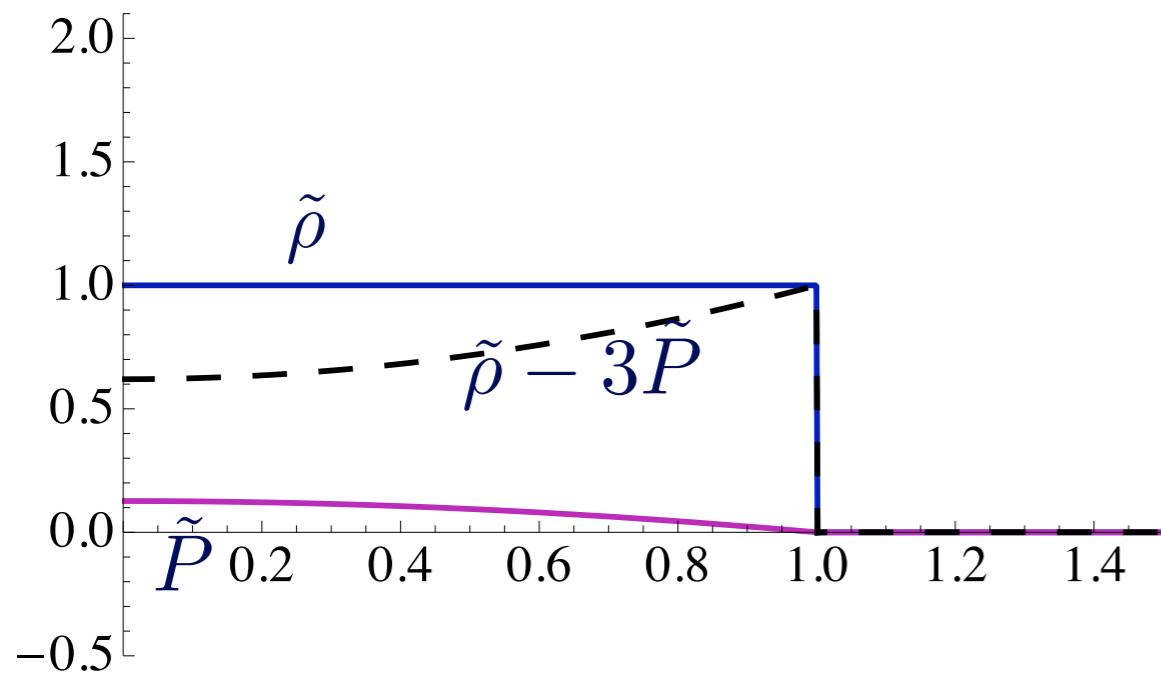
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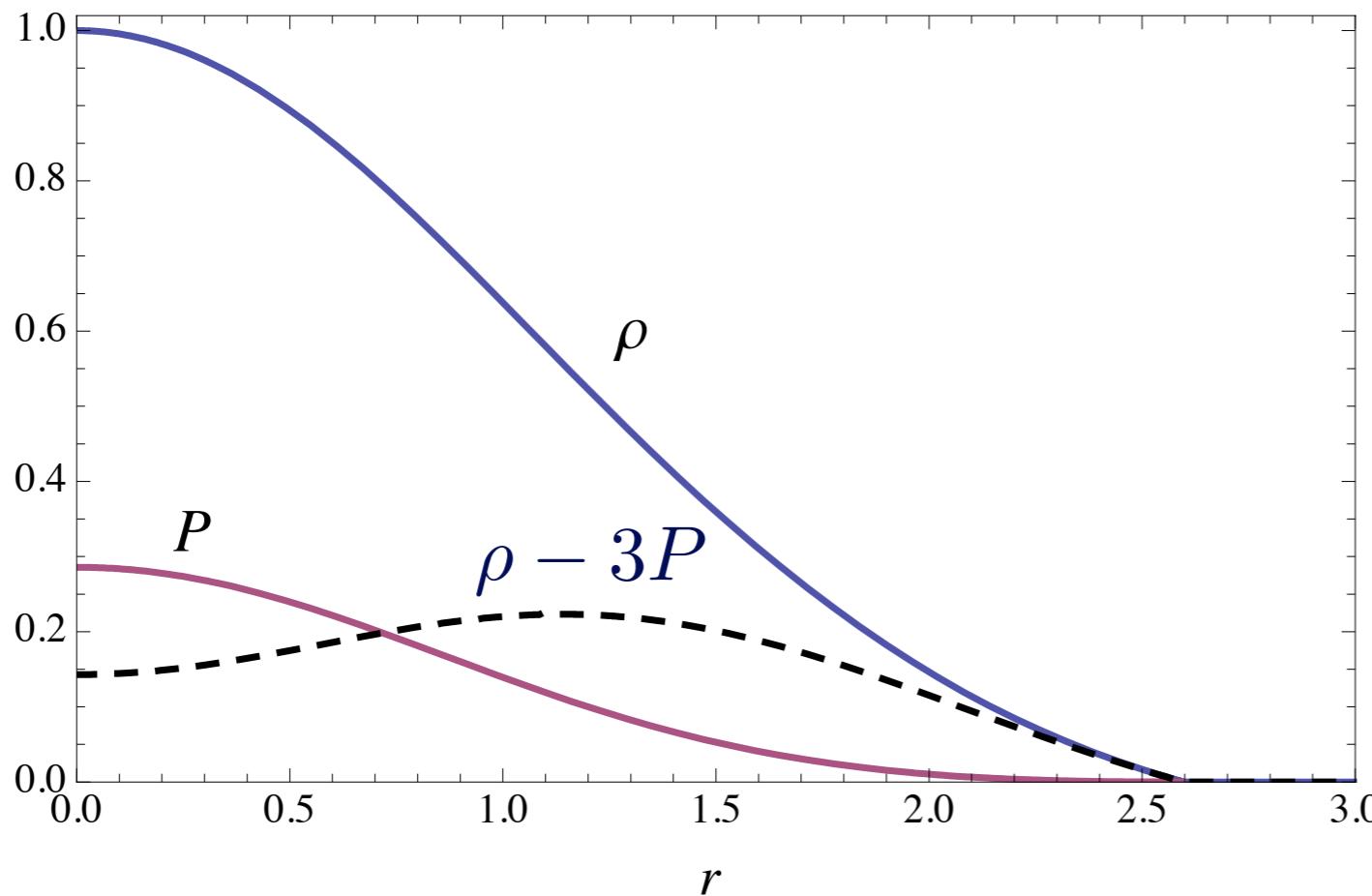


equation of state (II)

- ◆ For a realistic EoS of NS $\rho - 3P > 0$

$$\tilde{\rho}(\tilde{n}) = m_B \left(\tilde{n} + K \frac{\tilde{n}^2}{n_0} \right), \quad \tilde{P}(\tilde{n}) = K m_B \frac{\tilde{n}^2}{n_0},$$

$m_B = 1.66 \times 10^{-27}$ kg, $n_0 = 0.1$ fm $^{-1}$ and $K = 0.1$.



$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{n}_c &= 0.4 \text{ fm}^{-3}, \\ |\Phi_*| &\simeq 0.25\end{aligned}$$

instability for high-density star (I)

- constant density star in GR, the higher density the higher pressure in the center (constant density stars),

$$\rho - 3P < 0 \quad \text{for} \quad \Phi_* \equiv \frac{GM}{r_*} > \frac{5}{18}$$

$$\phi'' + \left(\frac{2}{r} + \frac{1}{2}(\nu' - \lambda') \right) \phi' = e^\lambda \left[\frac{dV}{d\phi} + \Omega^3 \Omega_\phi (\tilde{\rho} - 3\tilde{P}) \right].$$

Tachyon instability

- explains the results of Tsujikawa et.al'09,
no solutions for the Chameleon for $\Phi > 0.3$

instability for high-density star (II)

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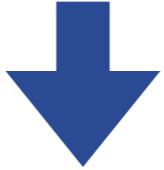
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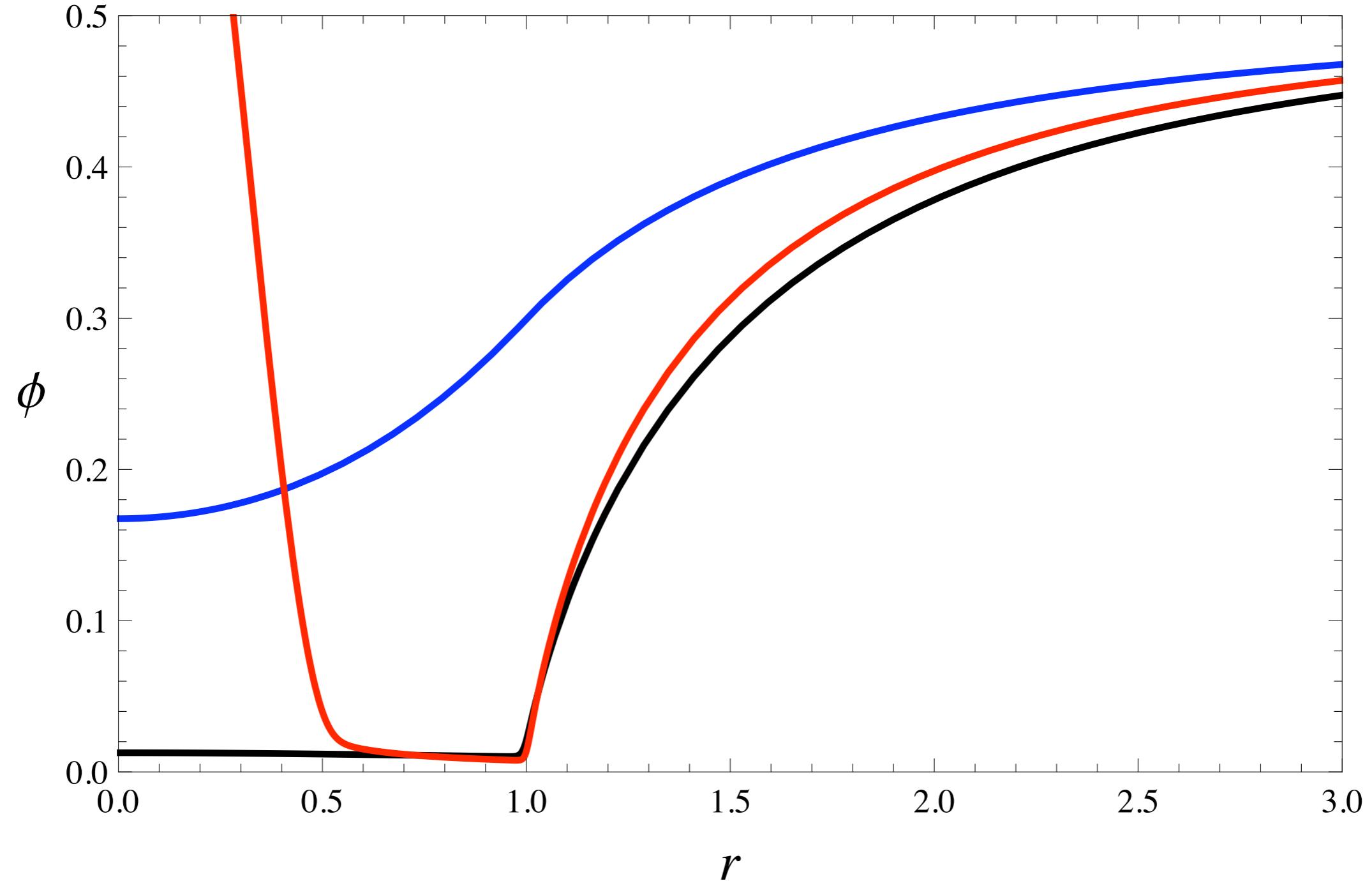
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CHAMELEON

profile of s.f.



thin-shell effect (I)

- ♦ asymptotically,

$$e^\nu \approx e^{-\lambda} \approx 1 - \frac{2GM}{r} - \frac{\Lambda}{3}r^2.$$

- ♦ In Jordan frame,

$$\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = \exp(2Q\phi/M_P)g_{\mu\nu}$$

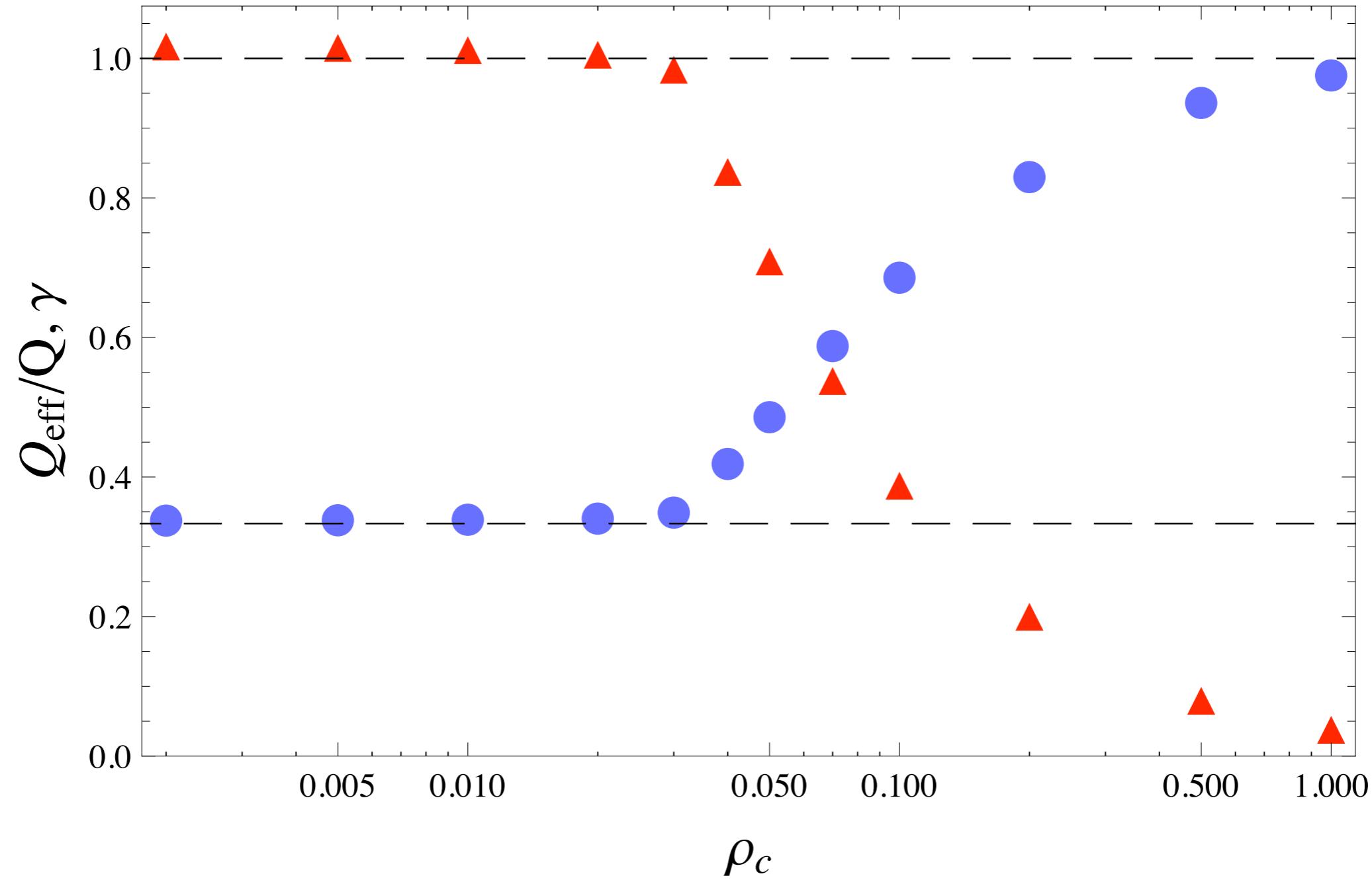
- ♦ Asymptotic behavior of scalar,

$$\phi \approx \phi_\infty + \frac{2GM}{r} Q_{\text{eff}} e^{-m_{\text{eff}} r}$$

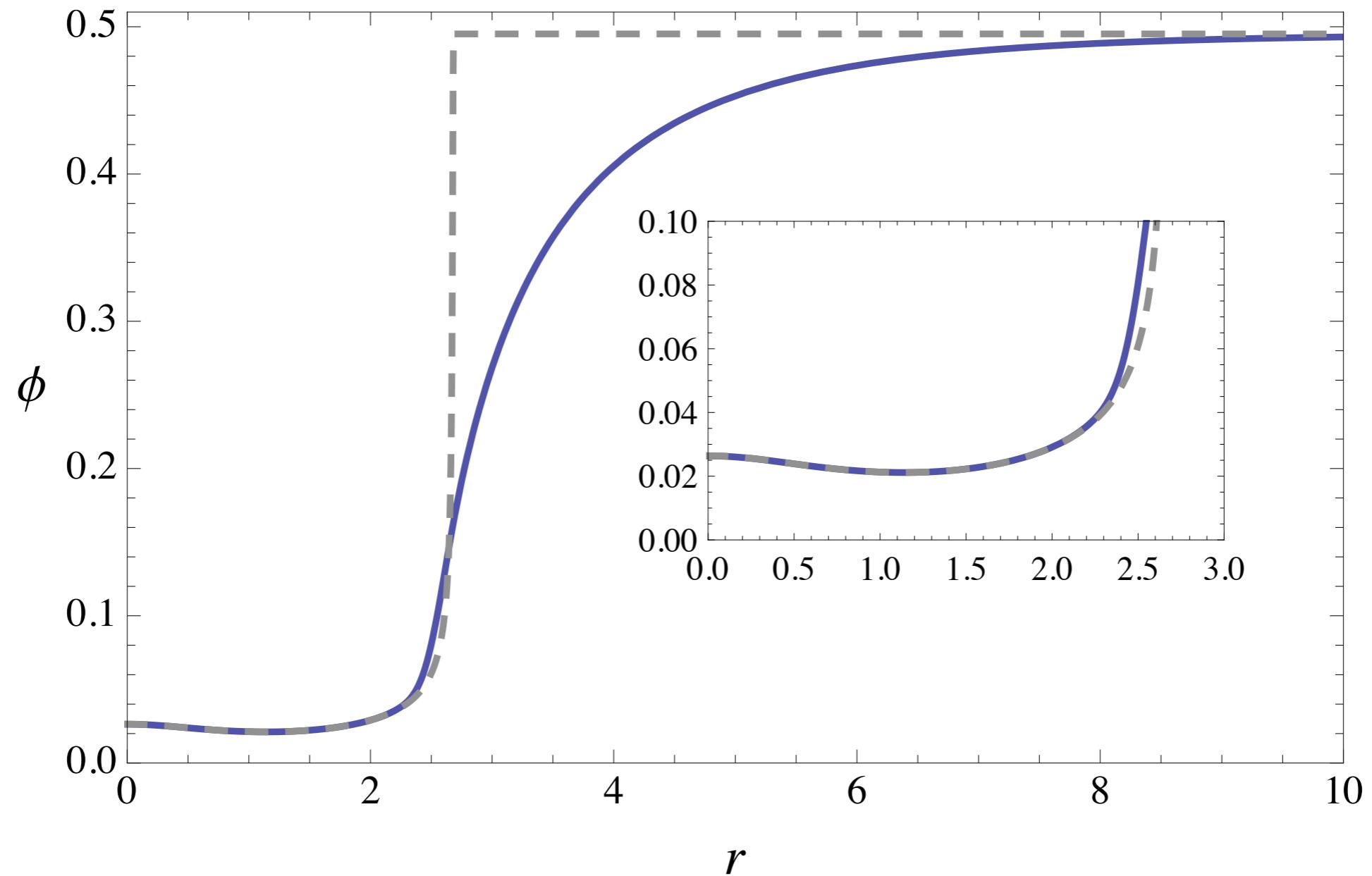
in the thin-shell regime Q_{eff} is strongly suppressed

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{g}_{tt} &\approx e^{2Q\phi_\infty} \left[1 - (1 - 2QQ_{\text{eff}}) \frac{2GM}{r} - \frac{\Lambda r^2}{3} \right], \\ \tilde{g}_{rr}^{-1} &\approx e^{-2Q\phi_\infty} \left[1 - (1 + 2QQ_{\text{eff}}) \frac{2GM}{r} - \frac{\Lambda r^2}{3} \right],\end{aligned}\quad \tilde{\gamma} = \frac{1 - 2QQ_{\text{eff}}}{1 + 2QQ_{\text{eff}}}$$

thin-shell effect (II)



numerical solution (polytropic eos)



f(R)

f(R) gravity

- ♦ Jordan frame:

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$$\phi = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} M_P \ln f_{,\tilde{R}}$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \Omega^{-2} \tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}, \quad \Omega^{-2} = f_{,\tilde{R}} = \exp\left[\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \phi/M_P\right]$$

- ♦ Einstein frame:



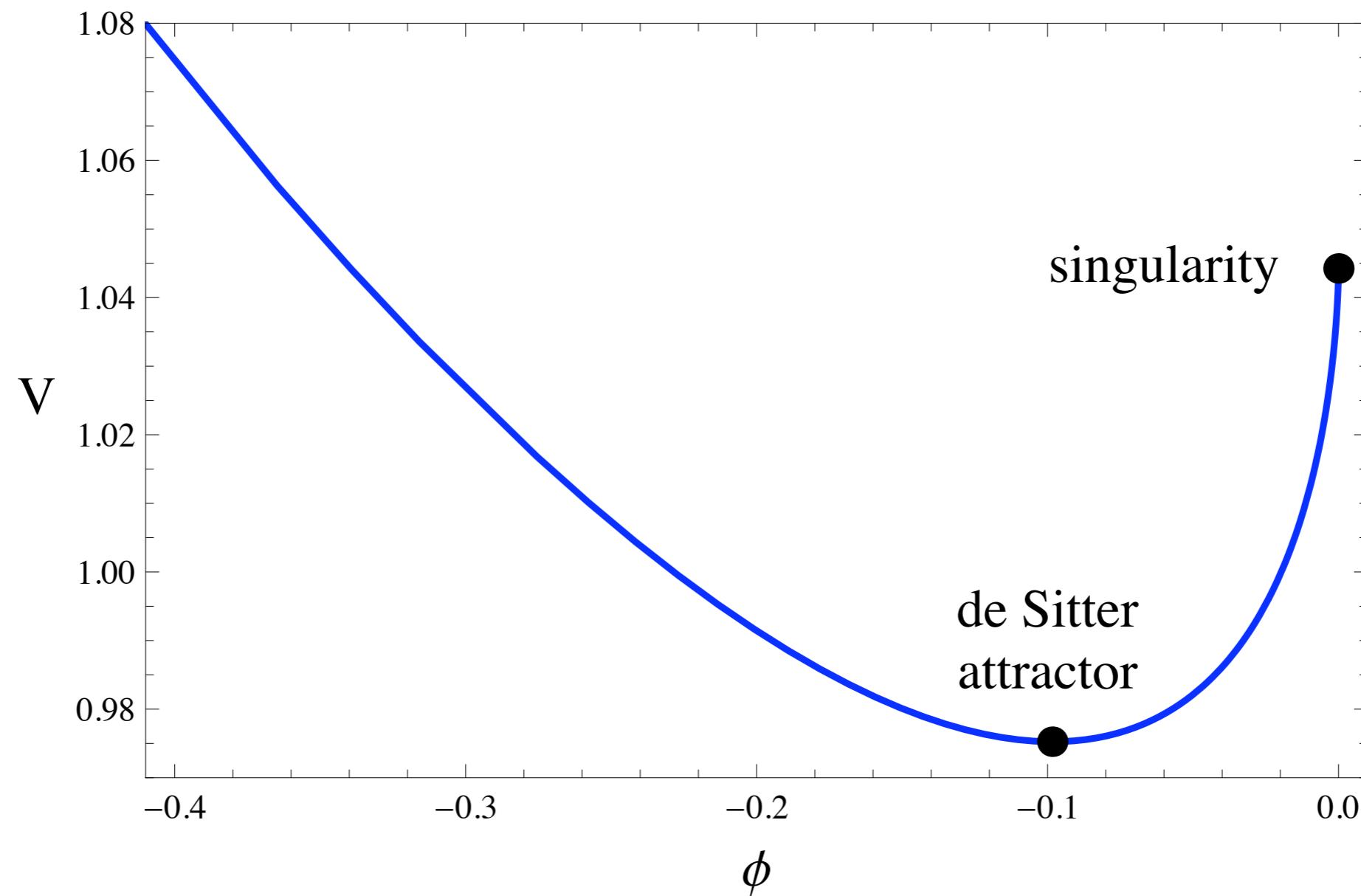
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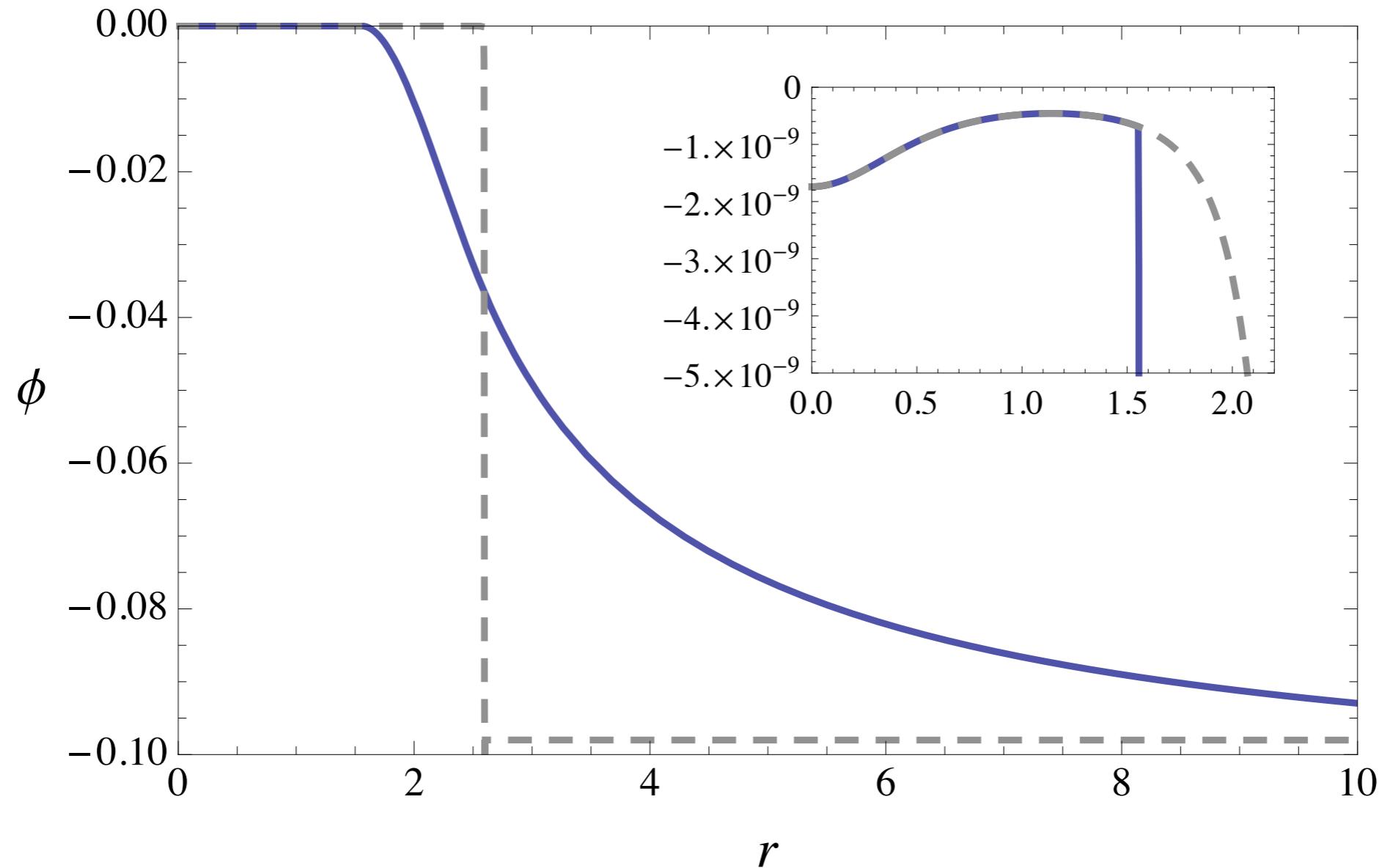
model

$$f(\tilde{R}) = R_0 \left[x - \lambda \left(1 - (1 + x^2)^{-n} \right) \right], \quad x \equiv \frac{\tilde{R}}{R_0}$$

Starobinsky'07



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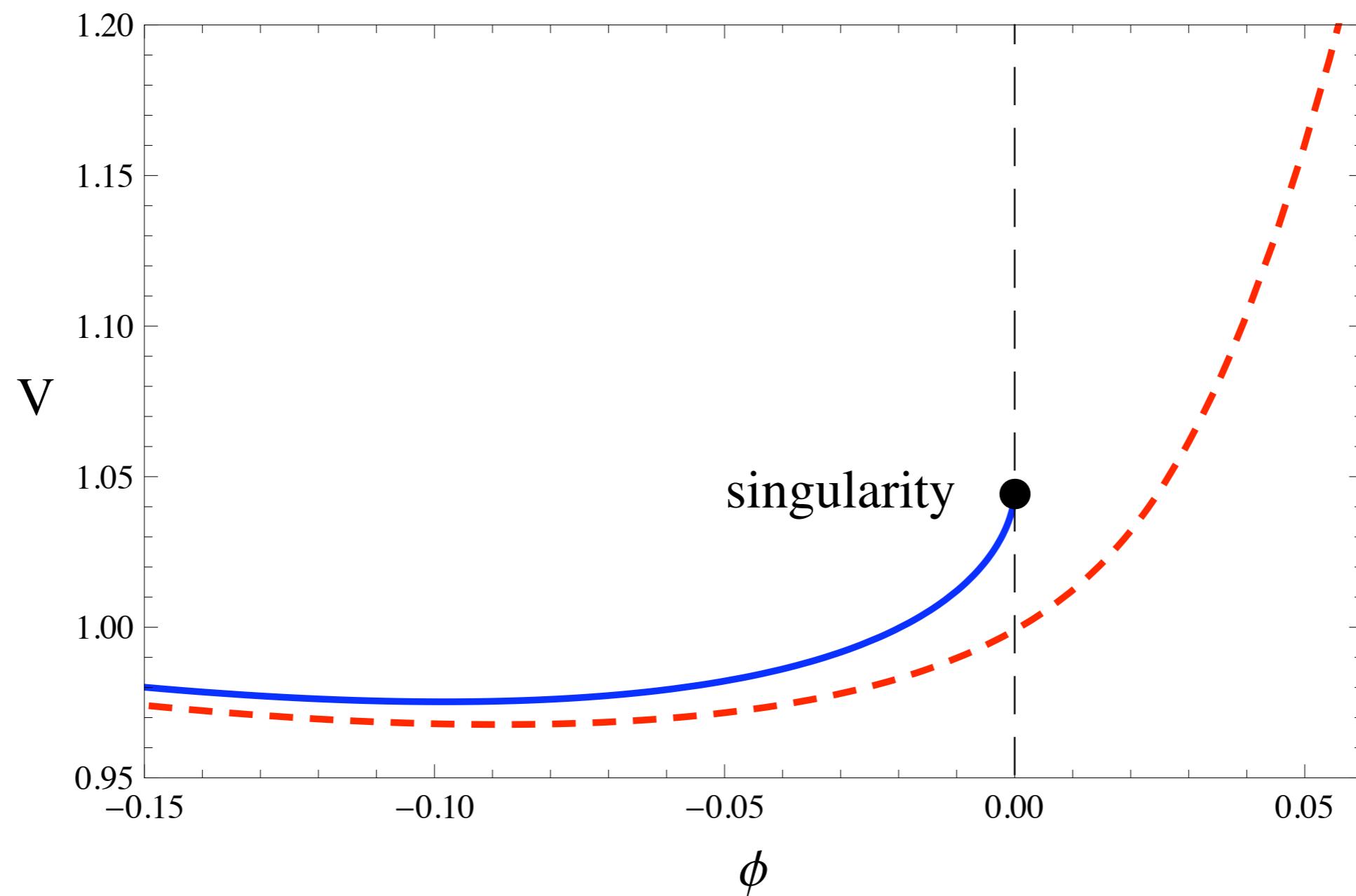
- ◆ Inside NS scalar field sits near by the curvature singularity, numerical procedure becomes challenging.
- ◆ What happens if the dynamics is included? Is it possible to reach the curvature singularity?
- ◆ Singularity is problematic for cosmology

Appleby et al.'09

solution to singularity problem

$$f(R) \rightarrow f(R) + \beta R^2$$

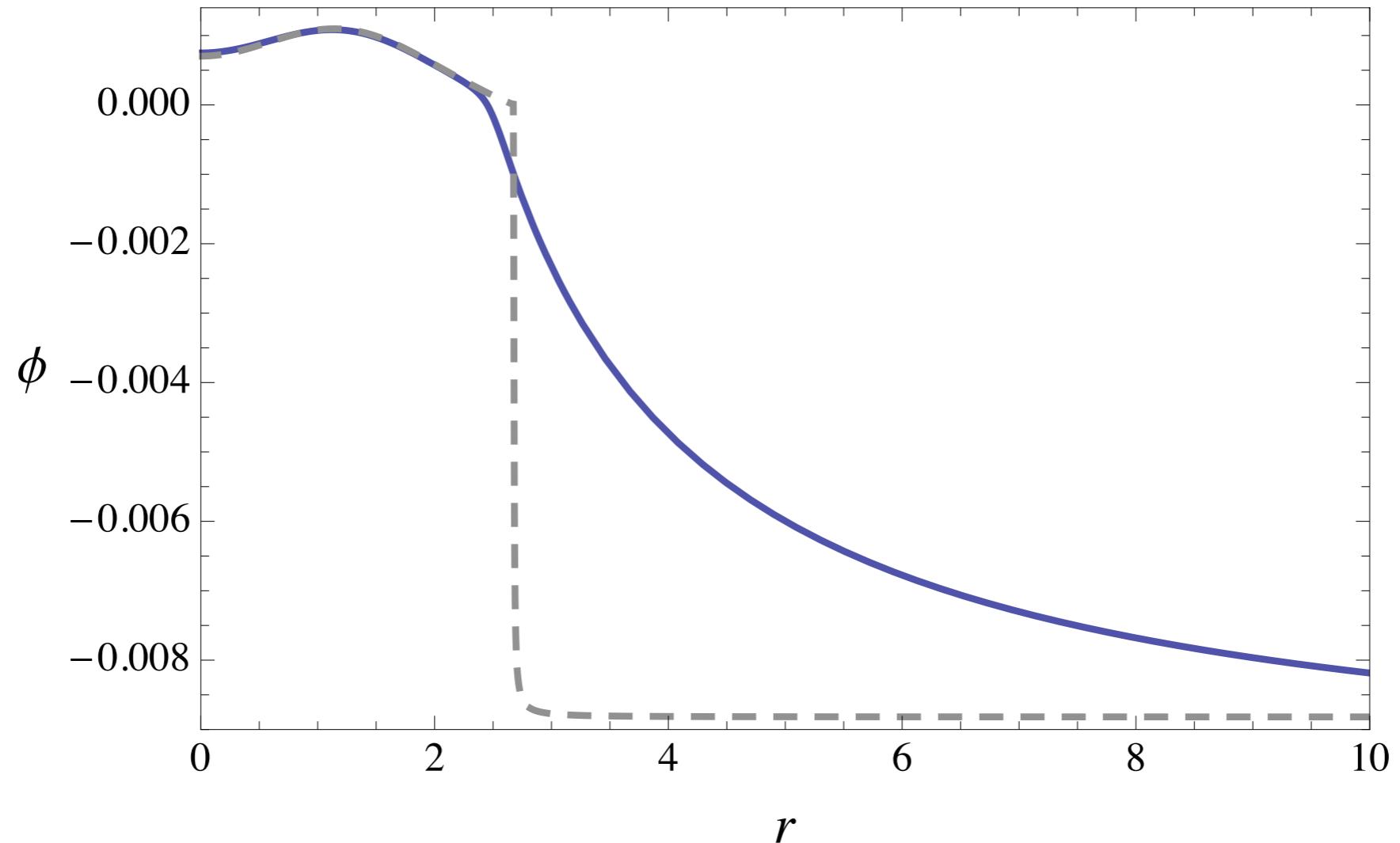
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Cured f(R) gravity

$$f(\tilde{R}) = (1 - c)\tilde{R} + c\epsilon \ln \left[\frac{\cosh(\tilde{R}/\epsilon - b)}{\cosh b} \right] + \frac{\tilde{R}^2}{6M^2}, \quad \epsilon \equiv \frac{R_0}{b + \ln(2 \cosh b)}$$

Appleby et al.'09



conclusions

- ◆ Static spherically symmetric configurations **exist** in $f(R)$ gravity and chameleon-like scalar-tensor theories in the relativistic regime, in particular neutron stars exists (was confirmed in part recently by Upadhye&Hu).
- ◆ No solutions for stars with large regions having $\rho - 3P < 0$.
- ◆ Tachyon instability is generic if EoS for matter $\rho - 3P < 0$.
- ◆ Possible issues for dynamically evolving systems in $f(R)$ with singularity
- ◆ Solution for possible issues is to cure the curvature singularity