A Dynamical Explanation of the Dark Matter-Baryon Coincidence

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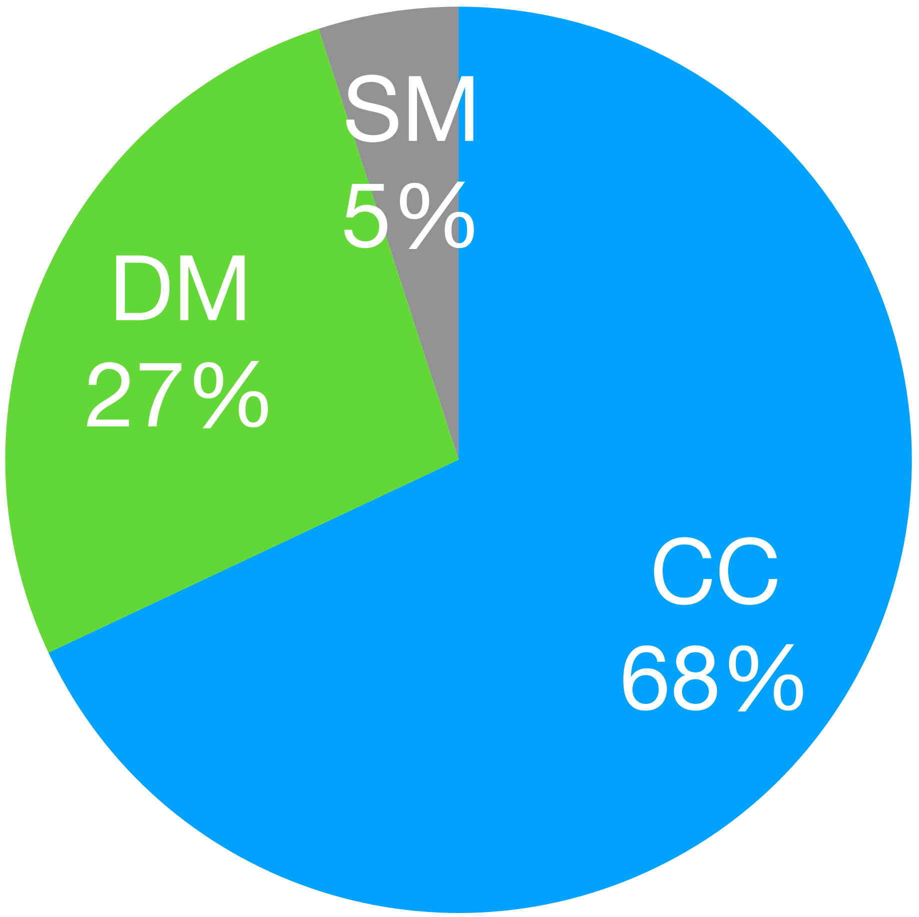
Coincidence

The energy density in Dark Matter is about 5 times that of Baryons

This is a VERY surprising coincidence



Dimensional Transmutation : Upside

Back in the olden days $m_p \ll M_{Pl}$

Very elegant solution $m_p = M_{Pl}\, e^{\mathcal{O}(1)/\alpha_s}$

Proton mass exponentially sensitive to UV parameters

Dimensional Transmutation : Downside

$$\rho_B = m_p n_B \sim e^{\mathcal{O}(1)/\alpha_s} \ \ldots$$

Baryon abundance also exponentially sensitive

$$\rho_D = 5\rho_B$$

Exponential coincidence - Demands Explanation!

Previous Approach

Only one type of solution currently on the market

$$\rho_D \sim \rho_B$$

$$n_D \sim n_B \qquad\qquad m_D \sim m_B$$

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Mirror world baryogenesis

Asymmetric Dark Matter

$$m_D \sim m_B$$

(Broken) Mirror world

Coupled CFTs

Dark/SM unification

Goal

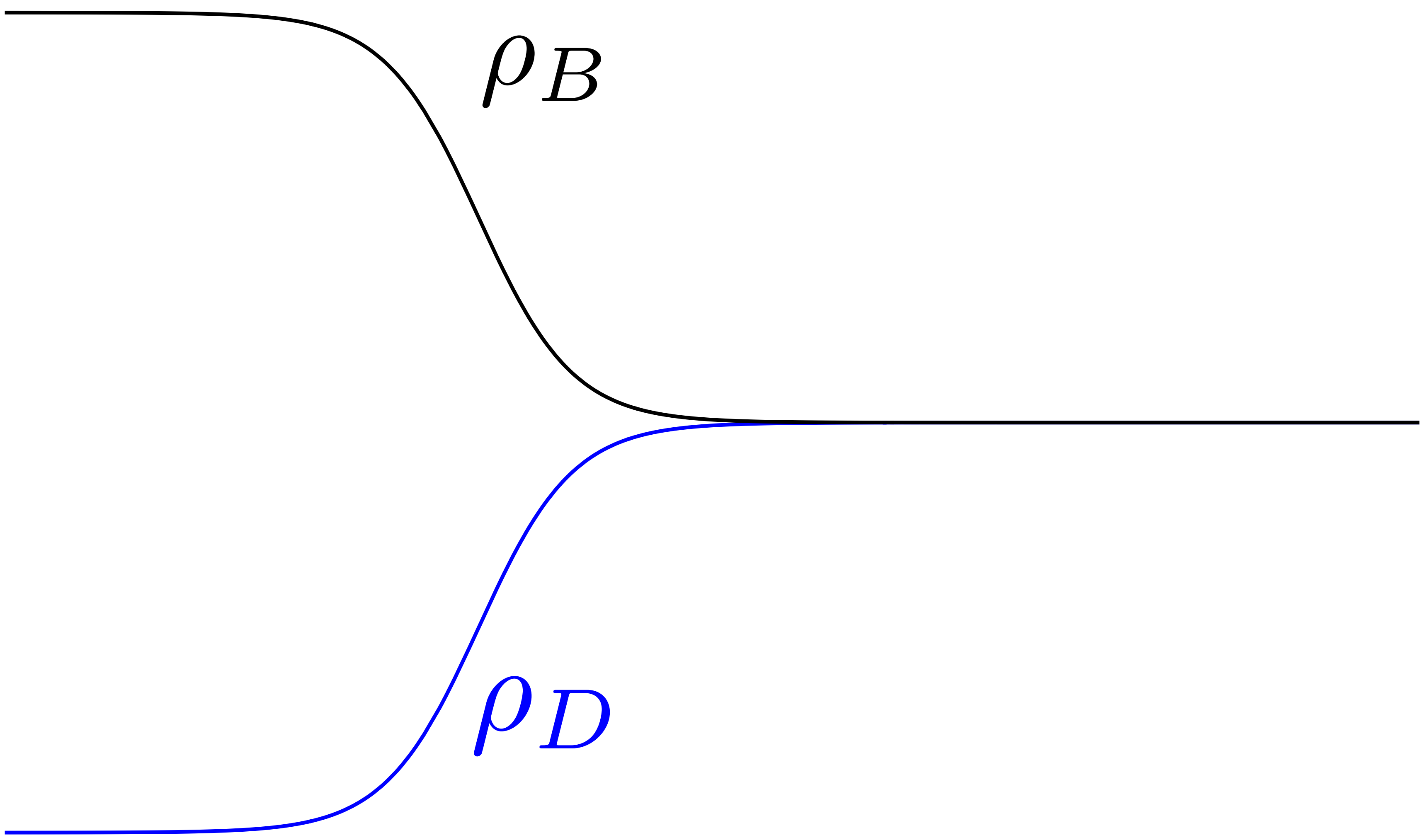
Does this imply that dark matter must have its mass around a few GeV?

I like other DM candidates such as ultra light and ultra heavy DM though…

Goal of this talk : Present a new approach that works for any DM candidate

Idea Sketch

Couple a scalar to dark matter and baryon mass terms such that at its finite density minimum the energy densities are comparable



Toy Model

Take dark matter to get its mass from the confinement of a dark sector gauge group

$$m_D = \Lambda_D^2 / f_a$$

Couple our scalar as

Beta Functions

O(1) constants

$$\mathcal{L}_{\rm Toy} = \frac{\phi}{f}\left(\frac{\beta_B c_B}{32\pi^2} G_B^2 - \frac{\beta_D c_D}{64\pi^2} G_D^2\right)$$

Toy Model

Ala dimensional transmutation

$$m_B(\phi) \; = \; \Lambda_B(\phi) = \Lambda_B(0)e^{c_B\phi/f}$$

$$m_D(\phi) = \Lambda_D^2(\phi)/f_a = m_D(0)e^{-c_D\phi/f}$$

Imagine somehow we create baryons and dark matter

Finite density potential

$$V(\phi) = m_B(\phi)n_B + m_D(\phi)n_D$$

Toy Model

Find Minimum

$$f\ V'(\phi) = c_B\, m_B(\phi)\, n_B - c_D\, m_D(\phi)\, n_D = 0$$

$$\rho_D/\rho_B = c_B/c_D \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$$

Regardless of number densities, identity of DM, this mechanism automatically sets the baryon and dark matter energy densities similar!

Toy Cosmology

Assume DM and Baryons have been produced in a radiation dominated universe and are non-relativistic

$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} = -\frac{c_B}{f} m_B^0 e^{c_B \phi/f} n_B + \frac{c_D}{f} m_D^0 e^{-c_D \phi/f} n_D$$

Assume Baryons heavier than a GeV
Initially, we have

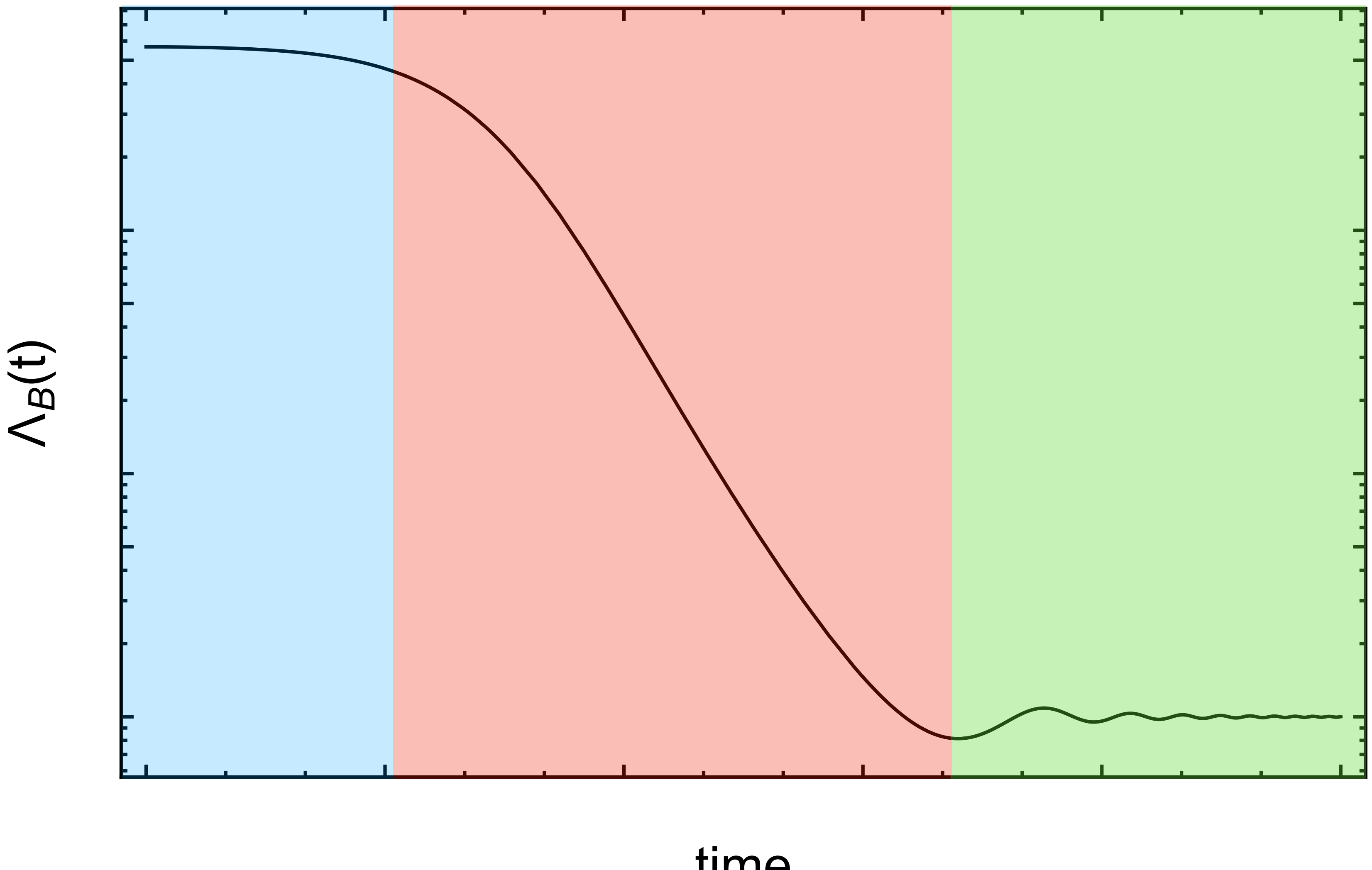
$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} \approx -\frac{c_B}{f} \rho_B(\phi)$$

$$m_\phi^2 = V'' \approx \frac{c_B^2}{f^2} \rho_B$$

Toy Cosmology

3 Stage Cosmology

Frozen Out Pseudo-Slow Roll Damped Oscillations



Toy Cosmology : Frozen Out

$$m_\phi \ll H$$

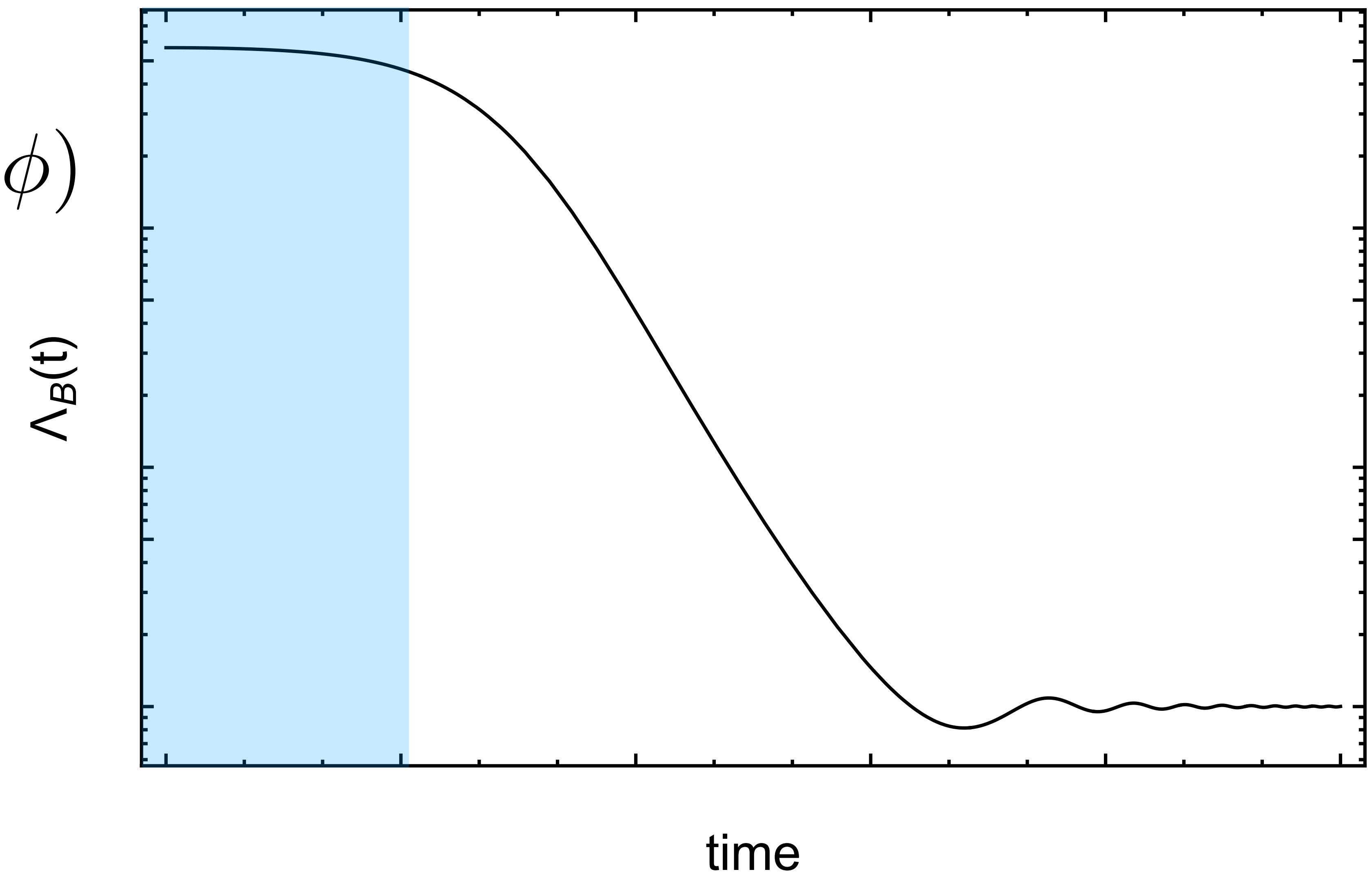
Not much happens

Everything just redshifts as usual

Frozen Out

$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} \approx -\frac{c_B}{f}\rho_B(\phi)$$

$$\dot{\phi} \approx 0$$



Toy Cosmology : Pseudo-Slow roll

$$m_\phi \approx H$$

Schematically

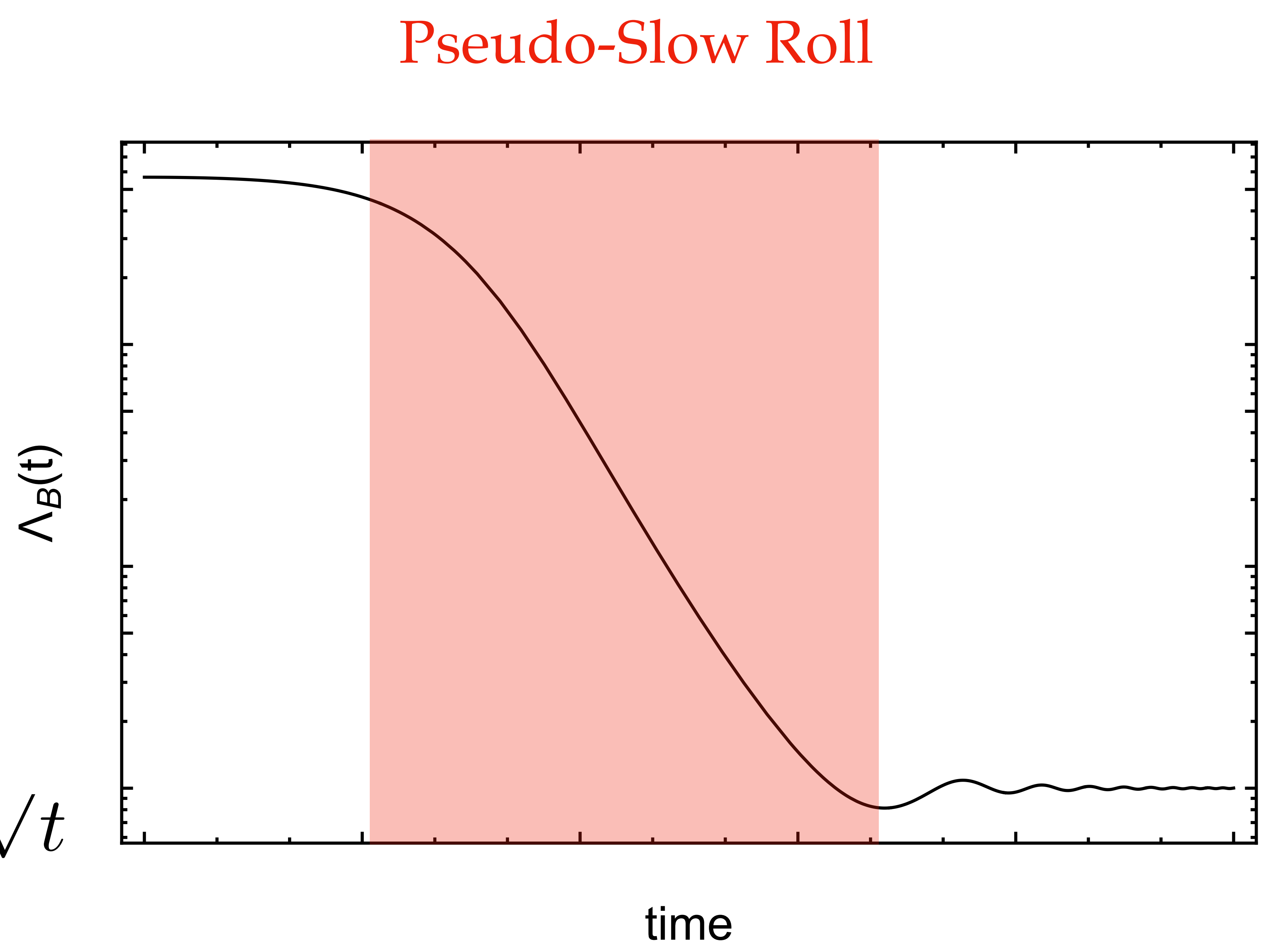
$$\phi \sim \log t$$

So that

$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} \approx -\frac{c_B}{f}\rho_B(\phi)$$

$$\sim 1/t^2 \qquad\qquad \sim 1/t^2$$

$$\Lambda_{QCD} \sim 1/a(t) \sim 1/\sqrt{t}$$



Toy Cosmology : Pseudo-Slow roll

$$m_\phi \approx H$$

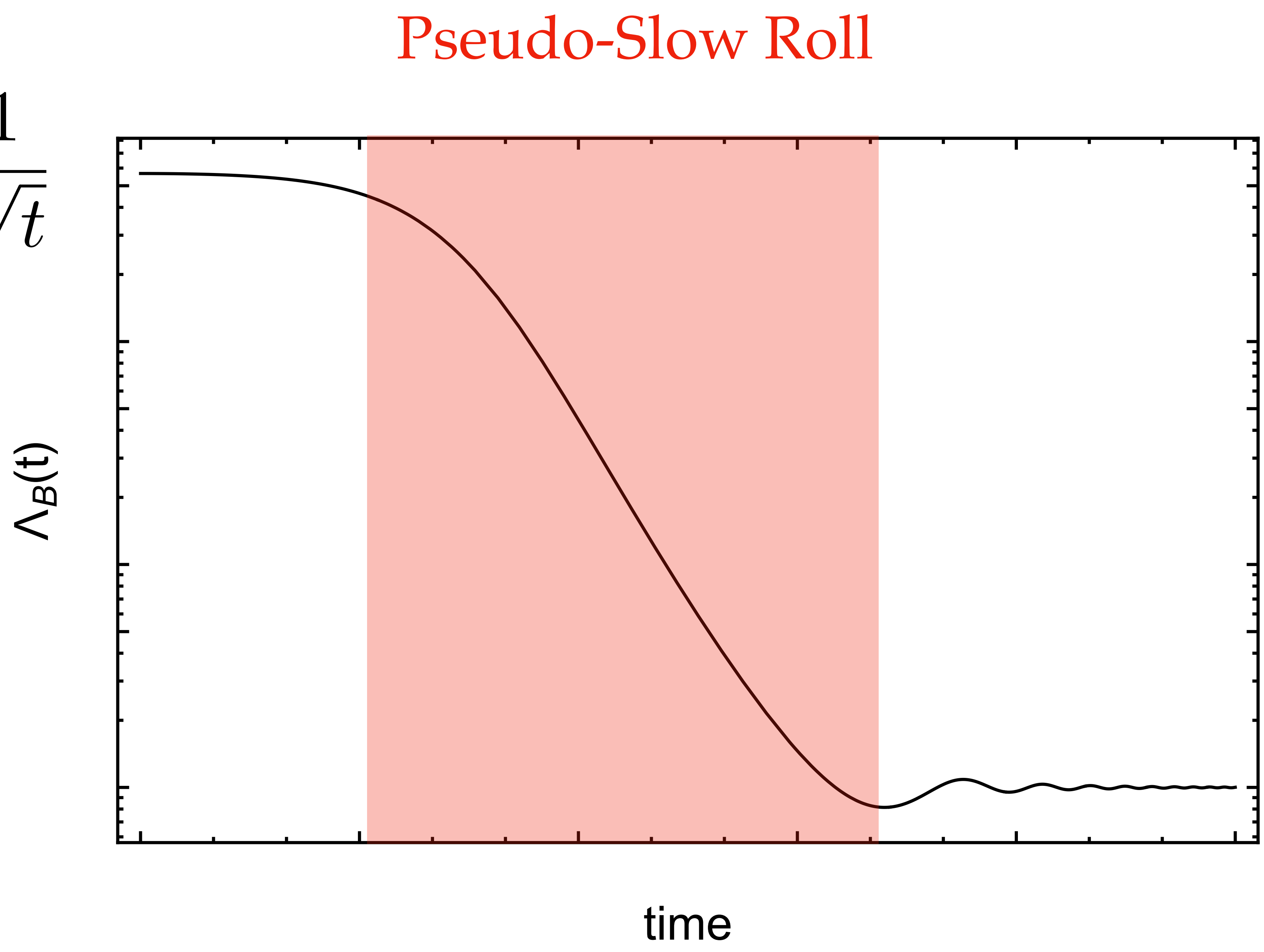
Check List

1) $m_B \sim \Lambda_{QCD} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}$

2) $\rho_B \sim \frac{1}{t^2}$

3) $m_\phi = H$

4) $\frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2 = \frac{1}{2}\rho_B$



Toy Cosmology : Damped Oscillations

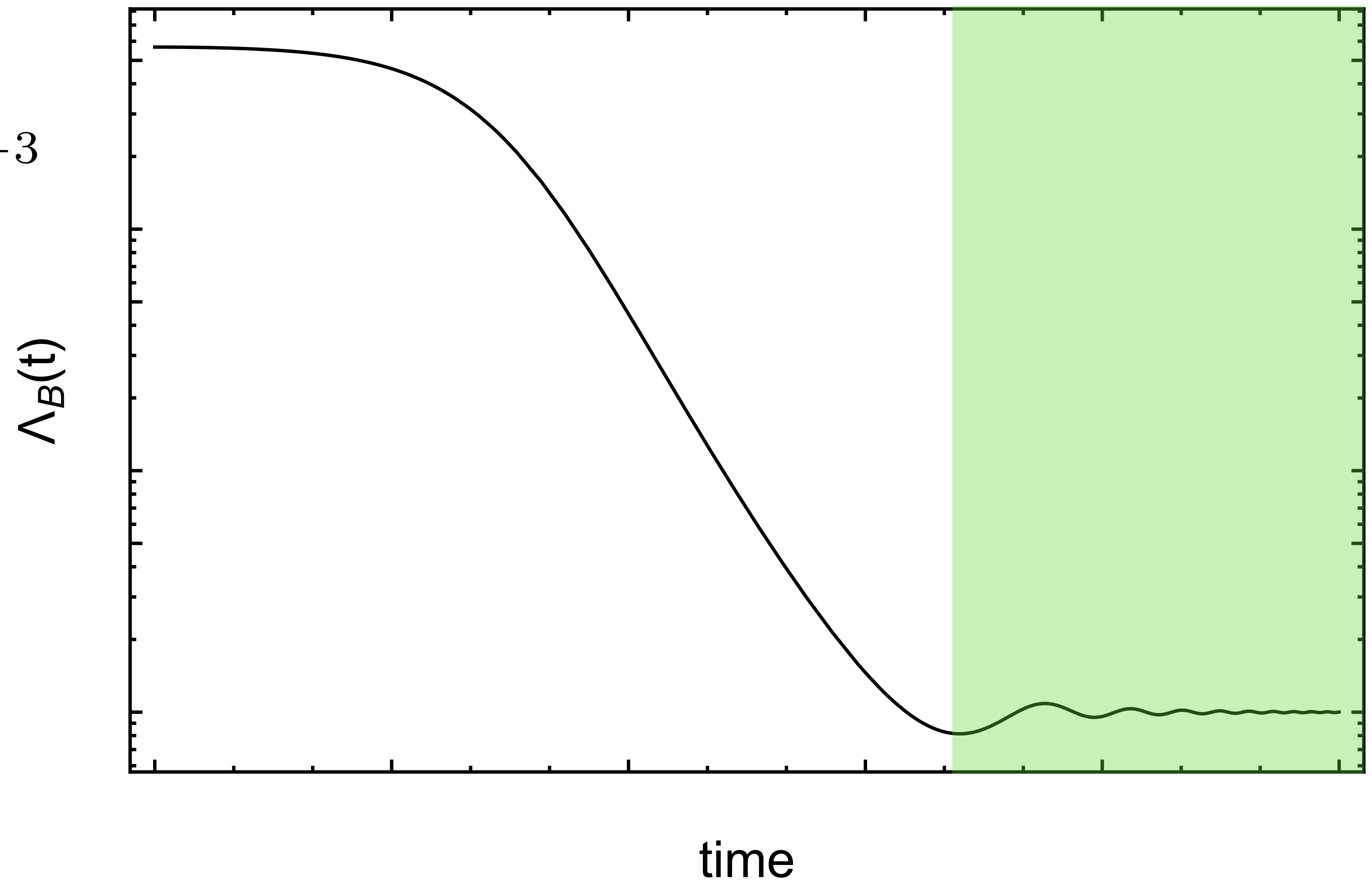
$$m_\phi \gg H$$

Dark Matter becomes important

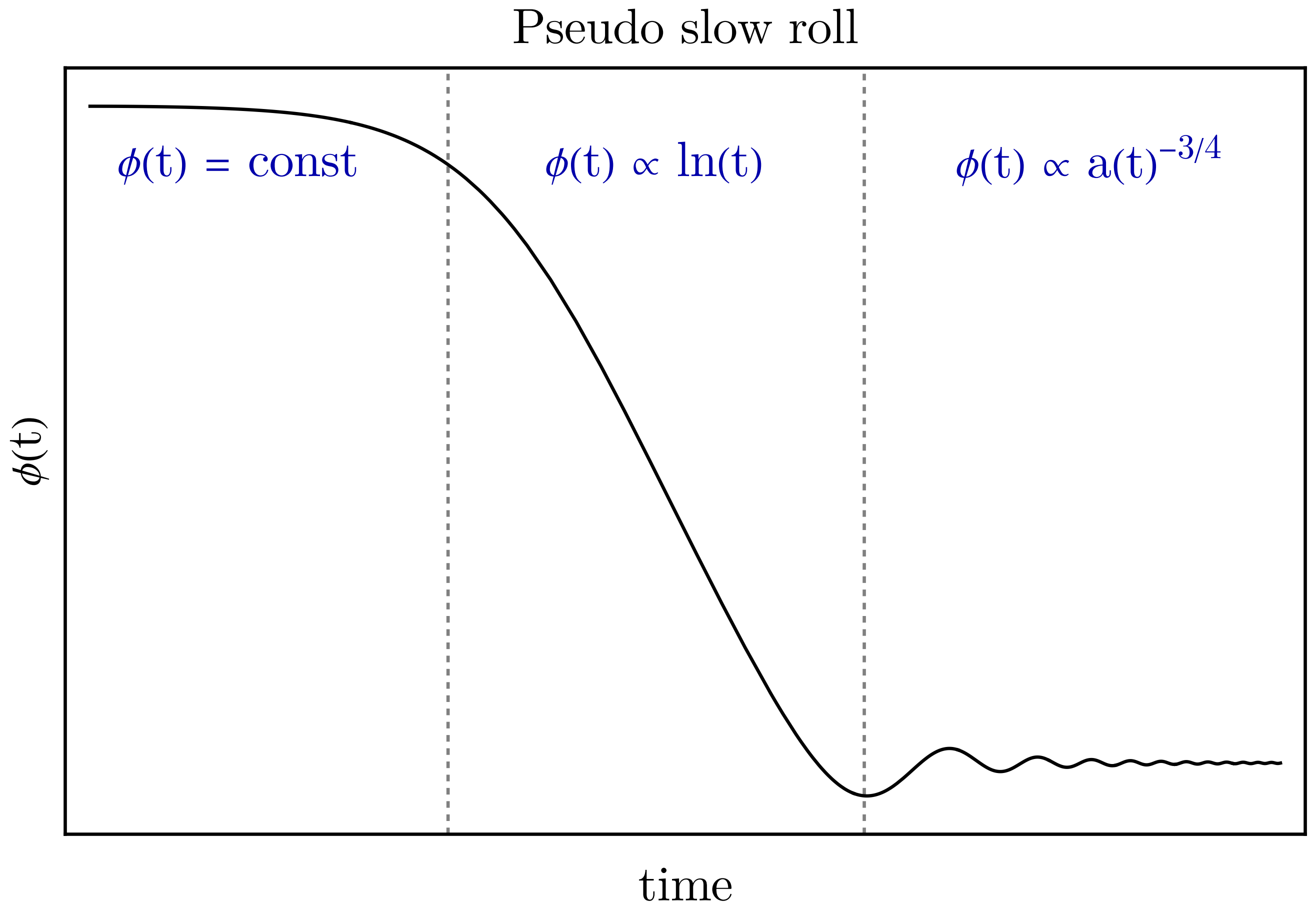
$$m_\phi^2 = \frac{c_B^2}{f^2}\rho_B + \frac{c_D^2}{f^2}\rho_D \sim a^{-3}$$

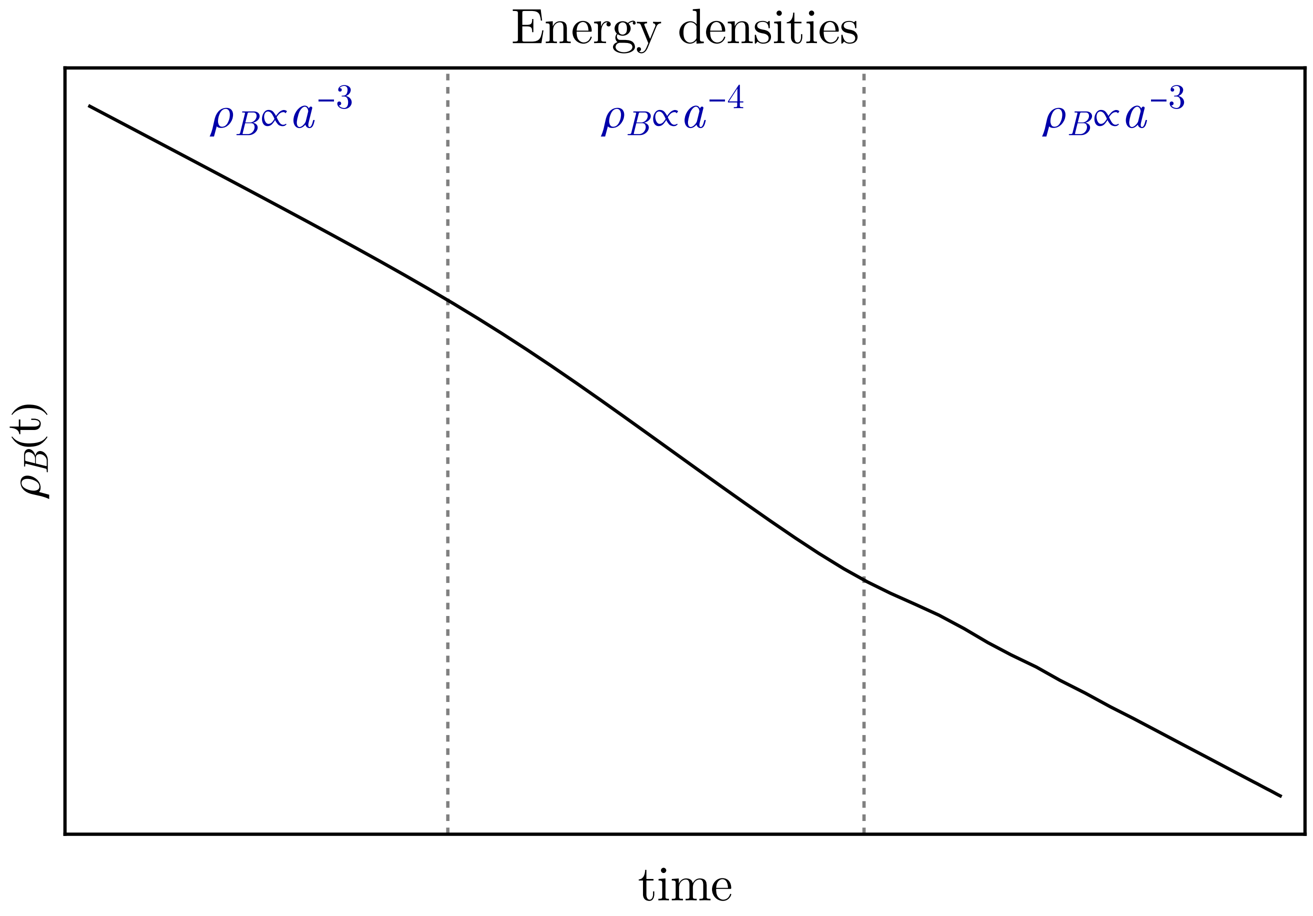
$$\rho_\phi = m_\phi n_\phi \sim \frac{1}{a^{4.5}}$$

Damped Oscillations



Toy Cosmology : Summary





SM example : Challenges

Two basic issues with implementing this in the SM

1. Its very excluded

2. Temperature effects

SM example : Challenges

Constraints

Mechanism works anywhere and everywhere

In a neutron star, clearly energy densities of baryons and dark matter are not the same

SM example : Challenges

Solution

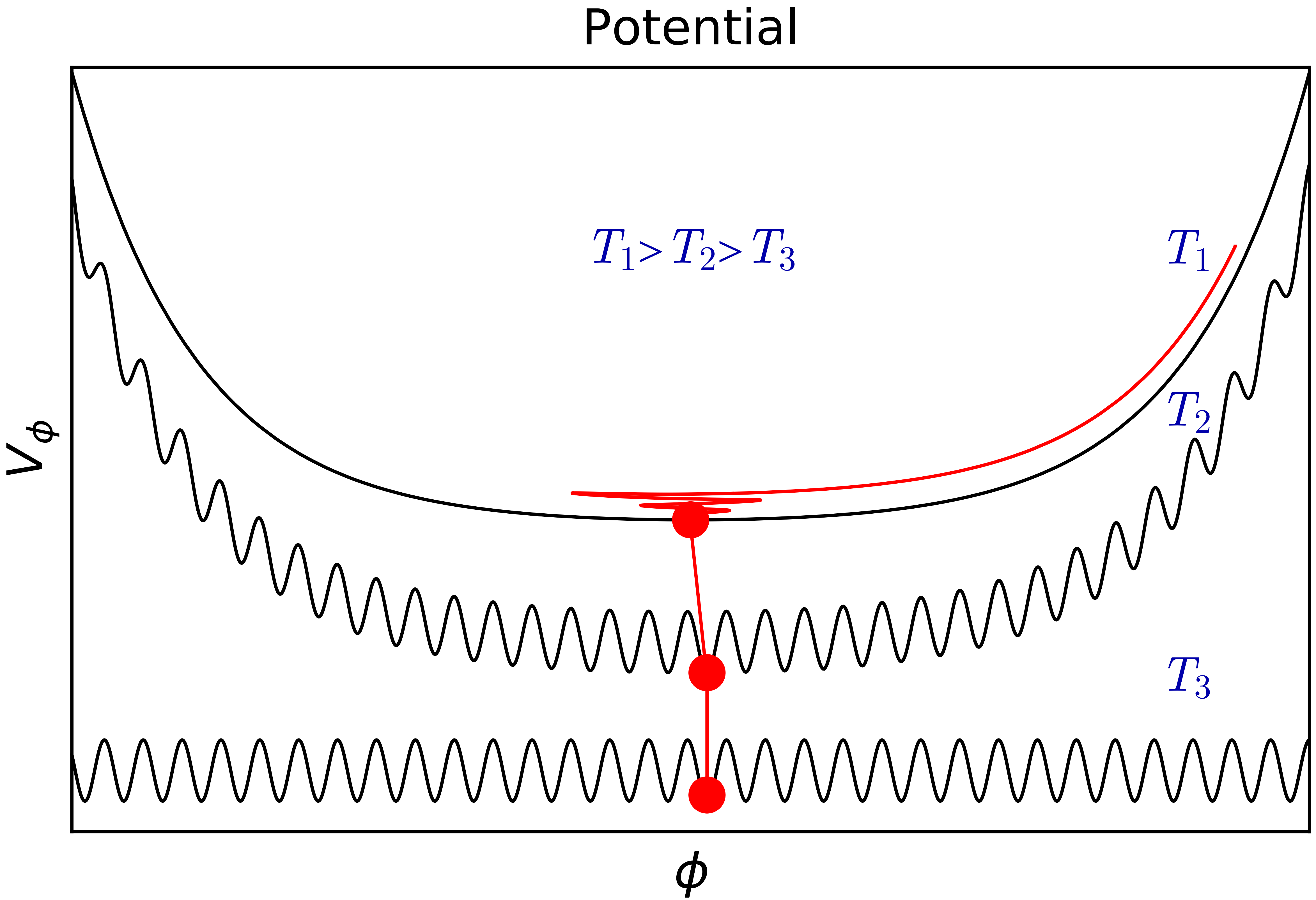
Add a bare potential

$$V = e^{c_B \phi/f} \rho_{NS} + \Lambda_0^4 \cos\left(\frac{\phi}{F} + \theta\right)$$

Neutron star doesn't change proton mass by much as long as

$$\frac{\Lambda_0^4}{F} \gtrsim \frac{c_B}{f} \rho_{NS}$$

SM example : Challenges



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SM example : Challenges

Finite Temperature

1. Scanning the QCD scale inevitably leads to scanning the fine structure constant

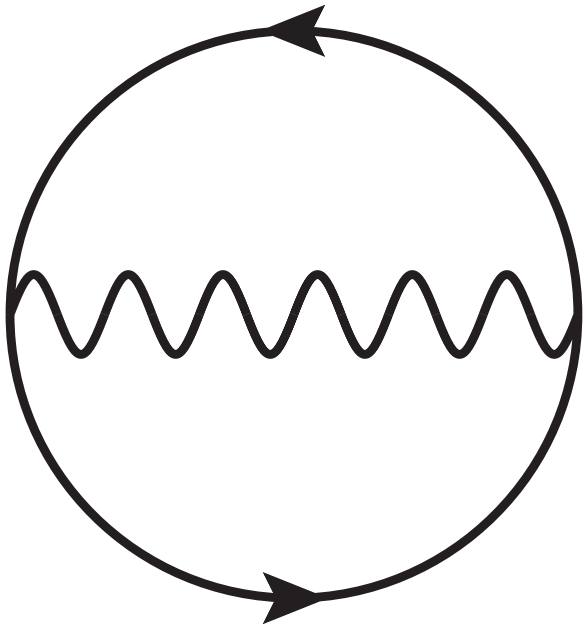
$$\frac{\phi}{f}\frac{c_B \beta_{QCD}}{32\pi^2}G^2 \longrightarrow \mathcal{O}(1)\frac{\phi}{f}\frac{c_B}{32\pi^2}F^2$$

SM example : Challenges

Finite Temperature

2. Free energy at low energies depends on fine structure constant

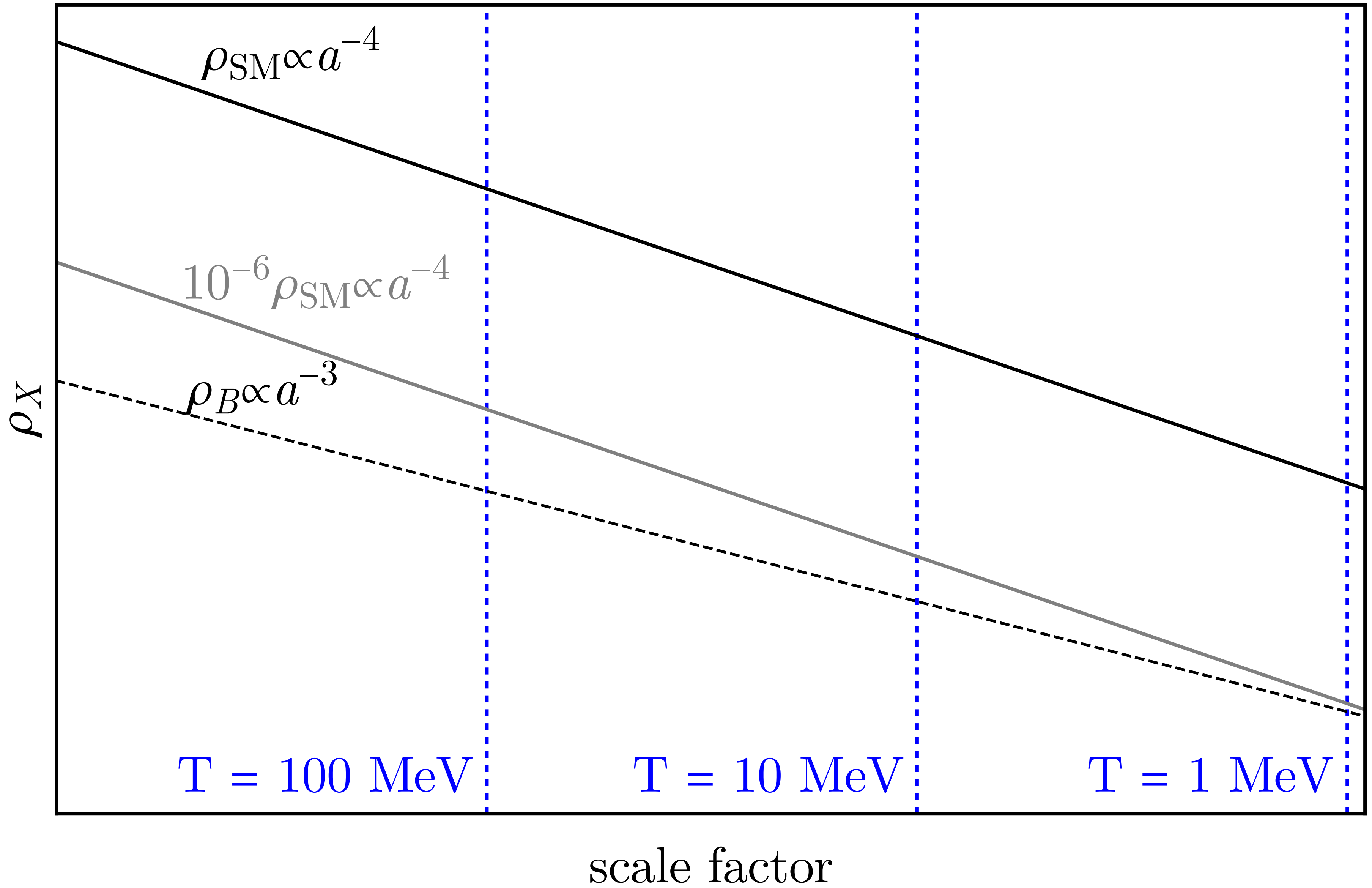
$$f = \frac{5}{288} e^2(\phi) T^4 \sim 10^{-6}\, T^4\, \frac{c_B \phi}{f}$$



SM example : Challenges

$$V(\phi) \sim \frac{c_B}{f}\rho_B + \frac{c_B}{f}10^{-6}\rho_{SM}$$

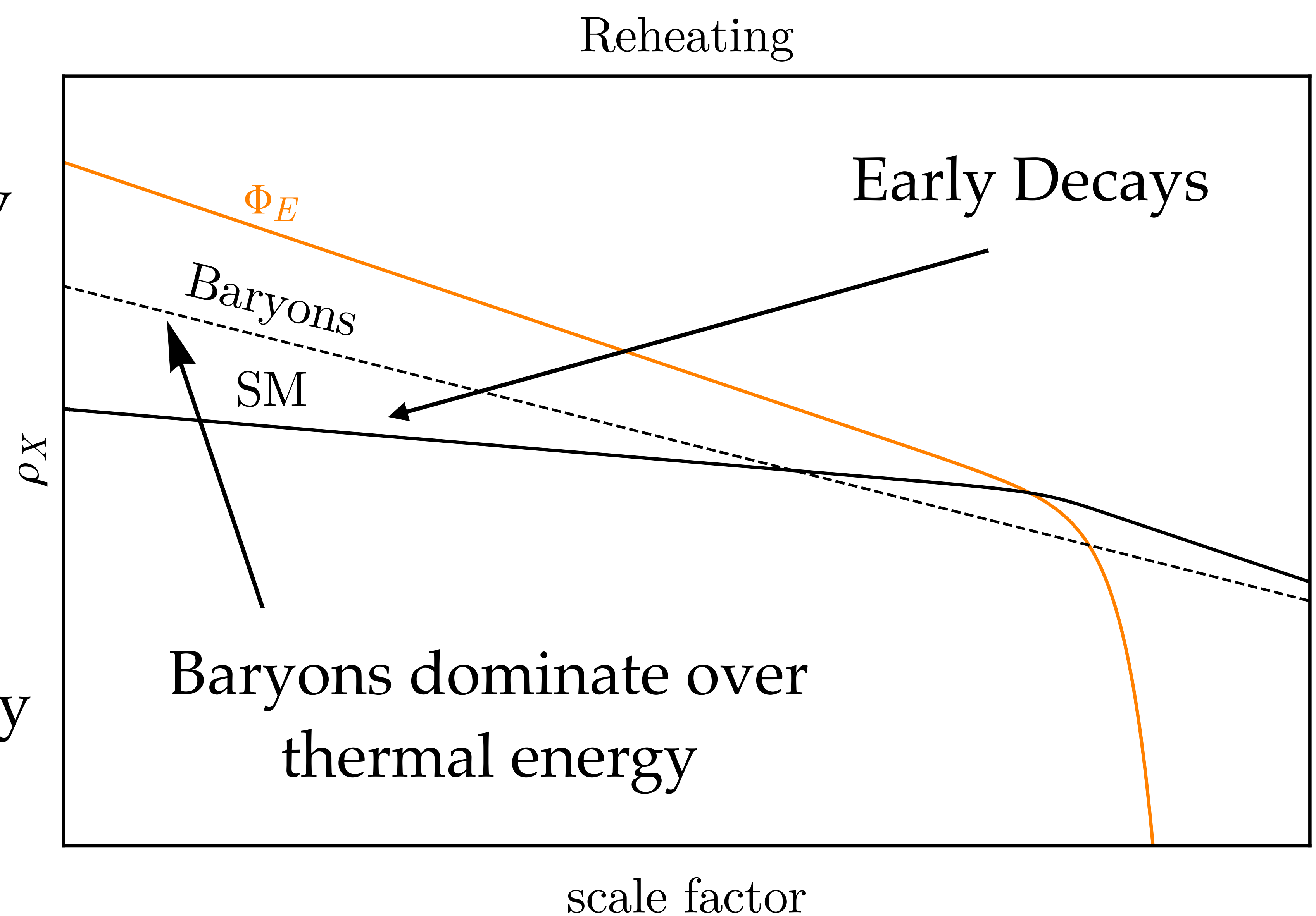
Standard Cosmology



SM example : Challenges

Non Standard Cosmology
Entropy Dump

Need something like
Affleck-Dine to get large
Baryon number asymmetry



SM example : Lagrangian

$$\mathscr{L} = \frac{\phi}{f}\left(\frac{\beta_B c_b}{32\pi^2}G^2 - \frac{\beta_D c_D}{64\pi^2}G_D^2\right) + \Lambda_0^4 \cos\left(\frac{\phi}{F} + \theta\right)$$

Scan baryon mass

Scan dark matter mass

Do nothing at early times, but prevent late time constraints

A Full SM Example

Coupling to Baryons $f/c_B = 10^{12}\,\text{GeV}$

Baryon/DM ratio $c_B/c_D = 5$

Non-zero mass $F = 10^7\,\text{GeV}$ $m_\phi = \ \text{eV}$

Barrier to stop late time rolling $\Lambda_0 = 100\,\text{MeV}$

Reheat Temperature $T_{RH} = 10\,\text{MeV}$

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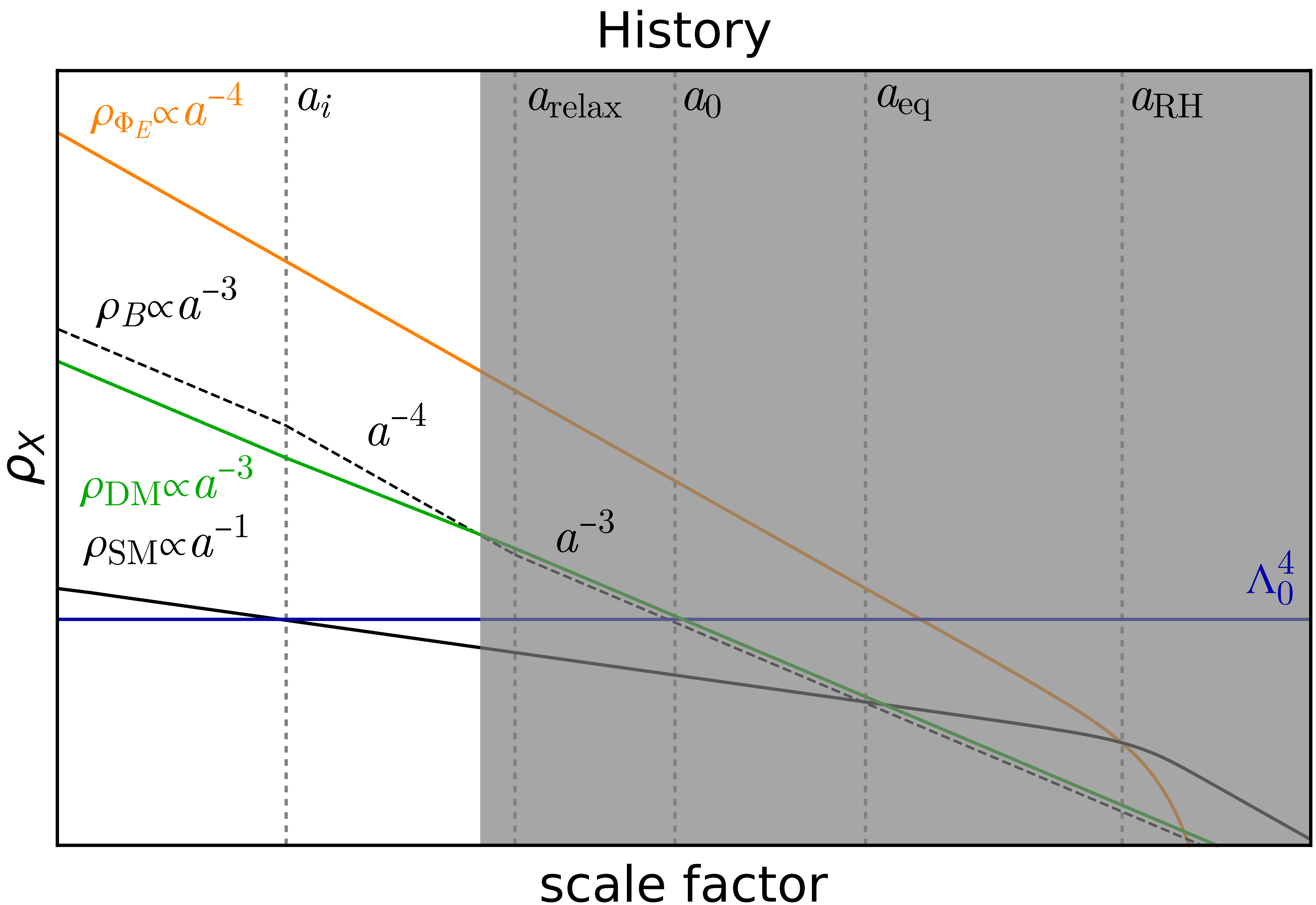

Start Relaxation

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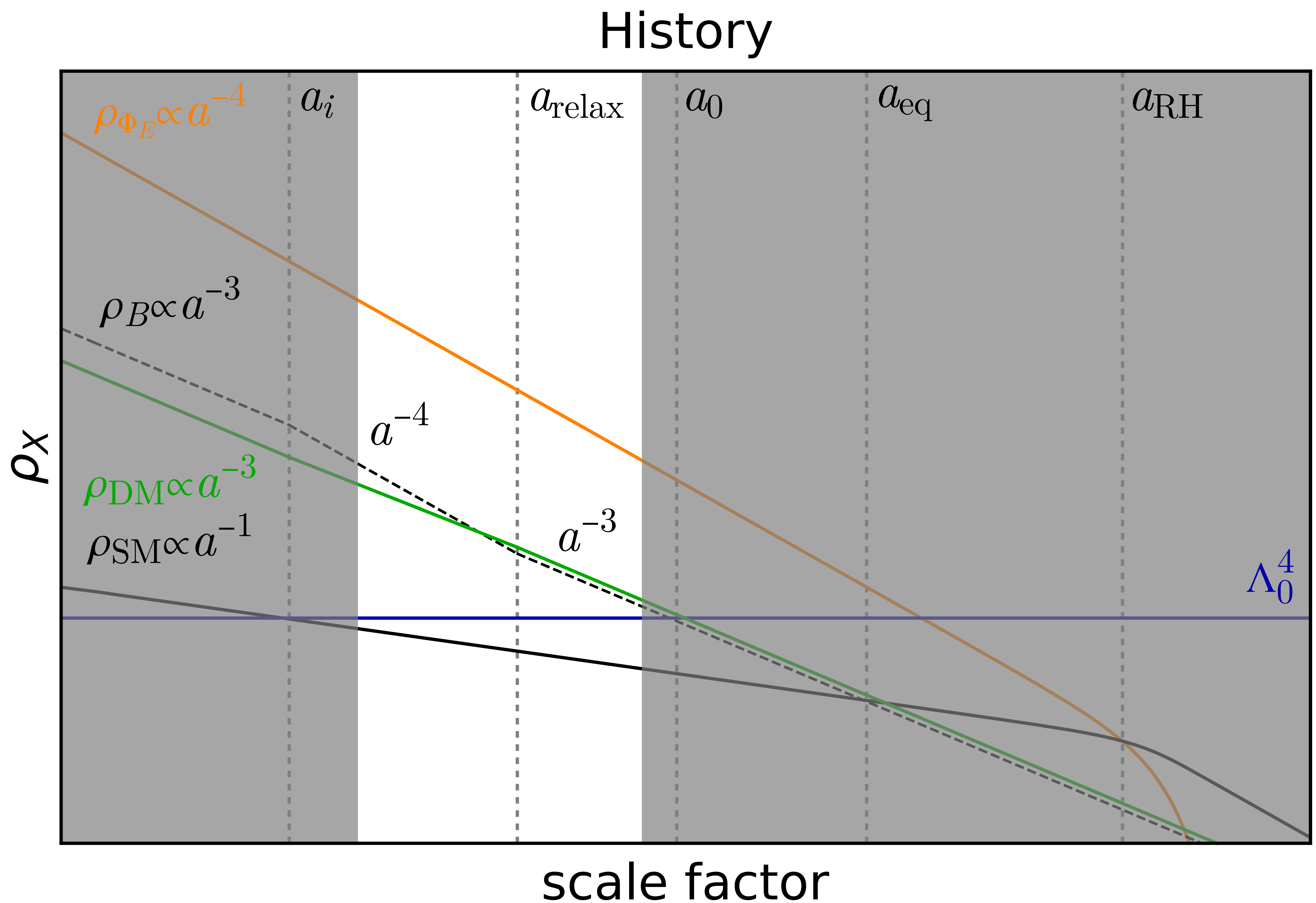

End Relaxation

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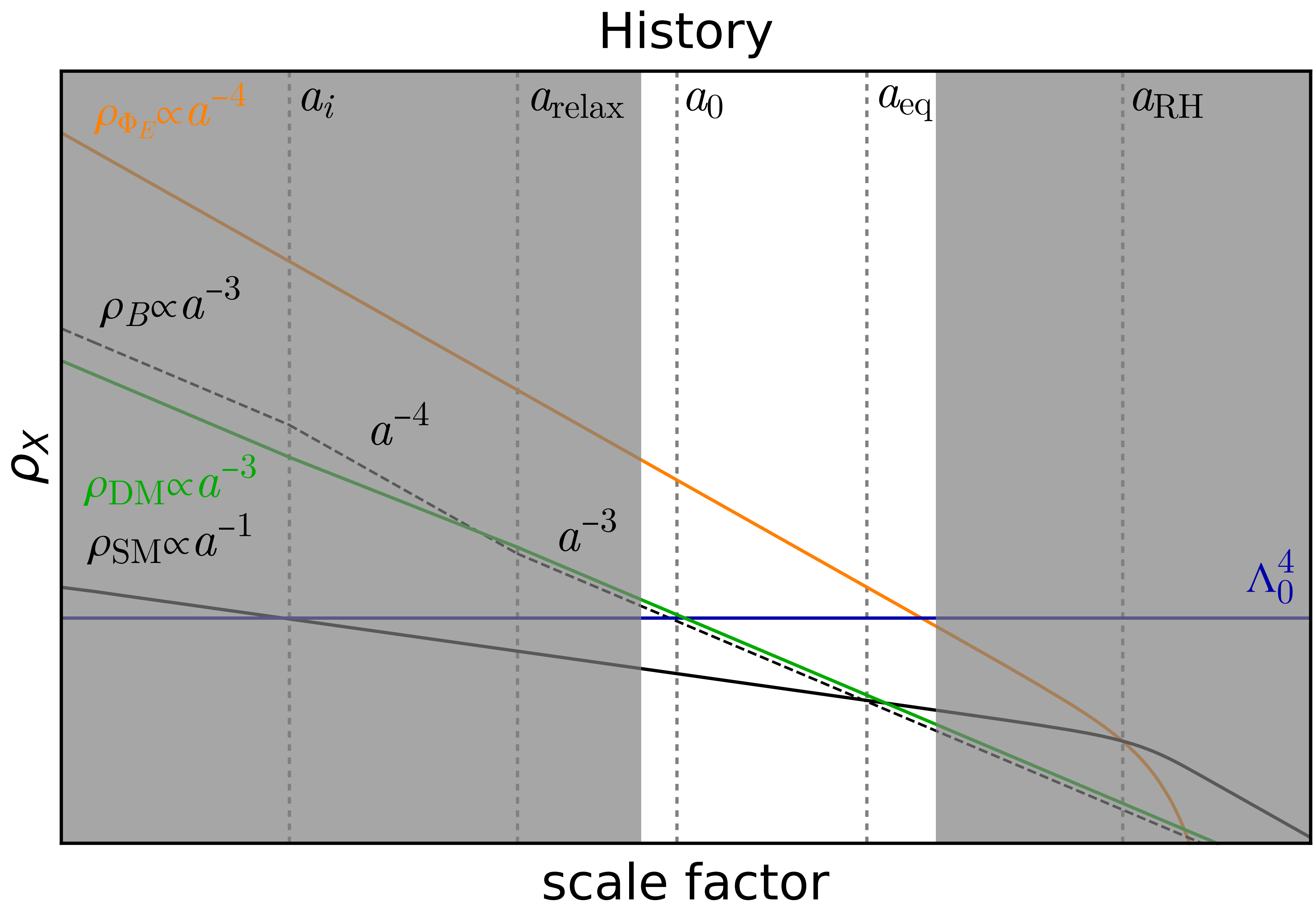
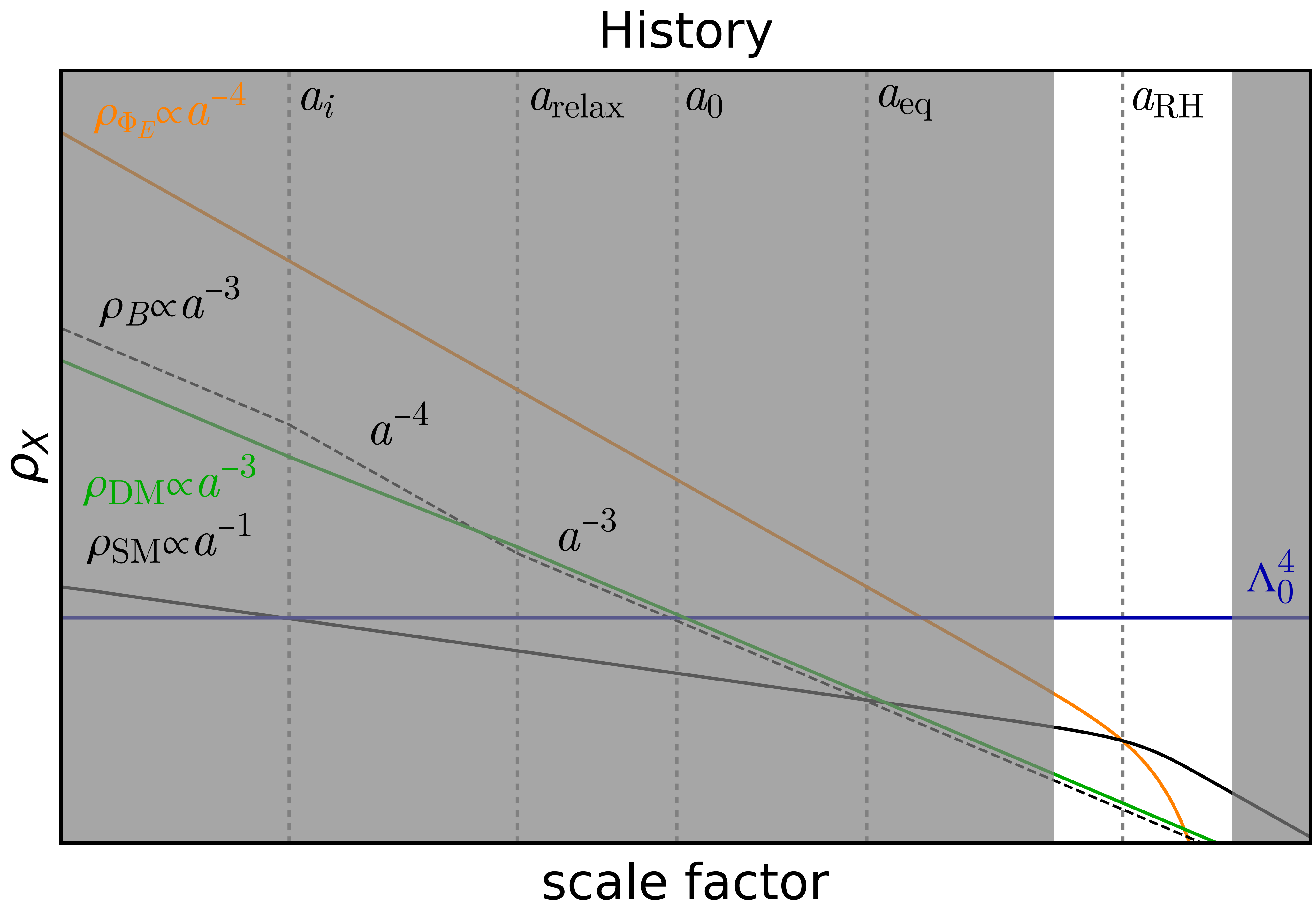


Density independent potential becomes important

A Full SM Example



Reheat Standard Model

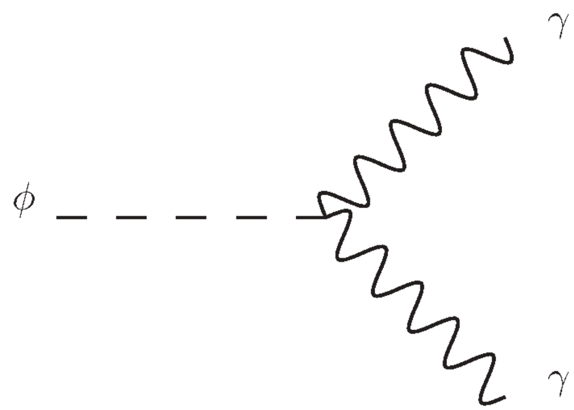
Constraints

From coupling to nucleons

$$\mathscr{L} \supset e^{c_B \phi / f} m_p \bar{\psi}\psi \approx \frac{c_B \phi}{f} m_p \bar{\psi}\psi$$

5th Force and Stellar Cooling

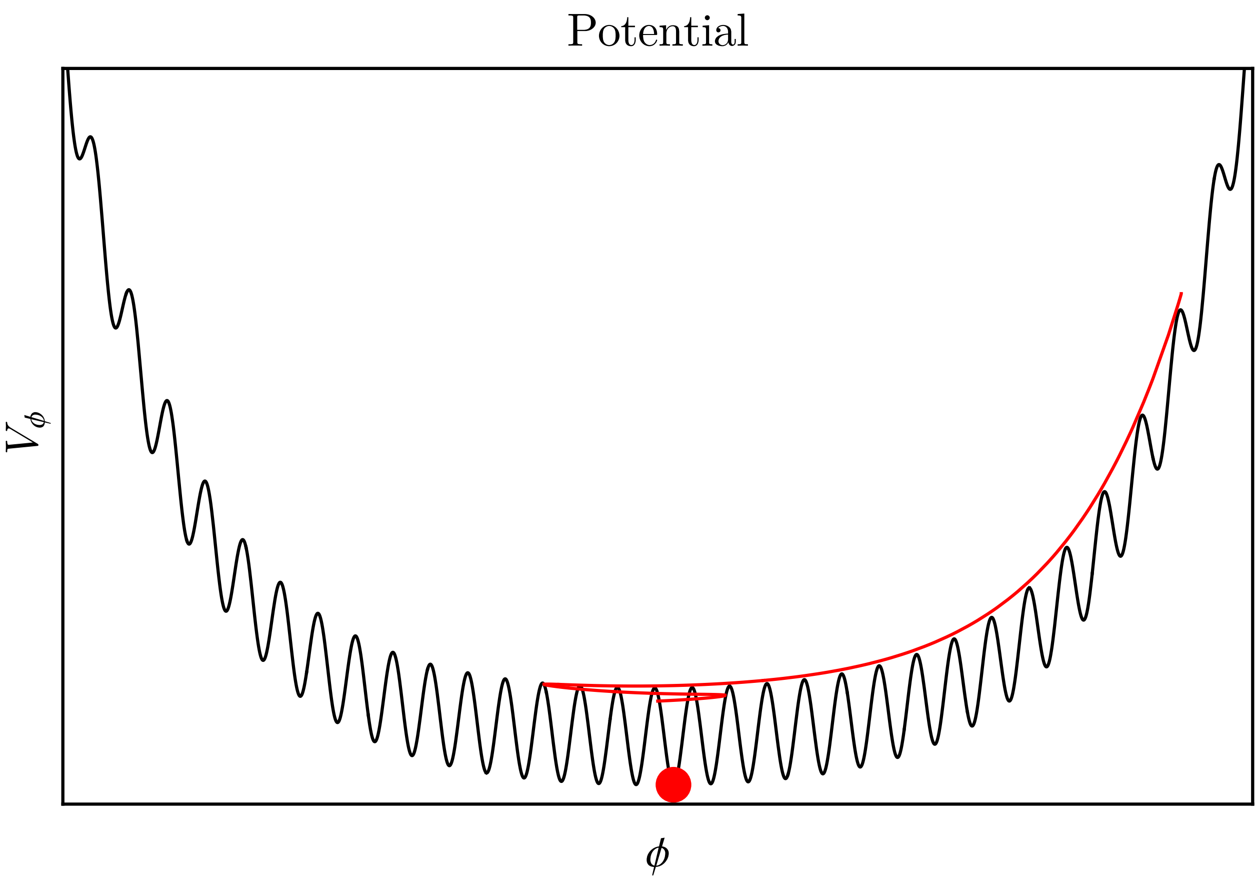
Scalar is around today and can decay into photons

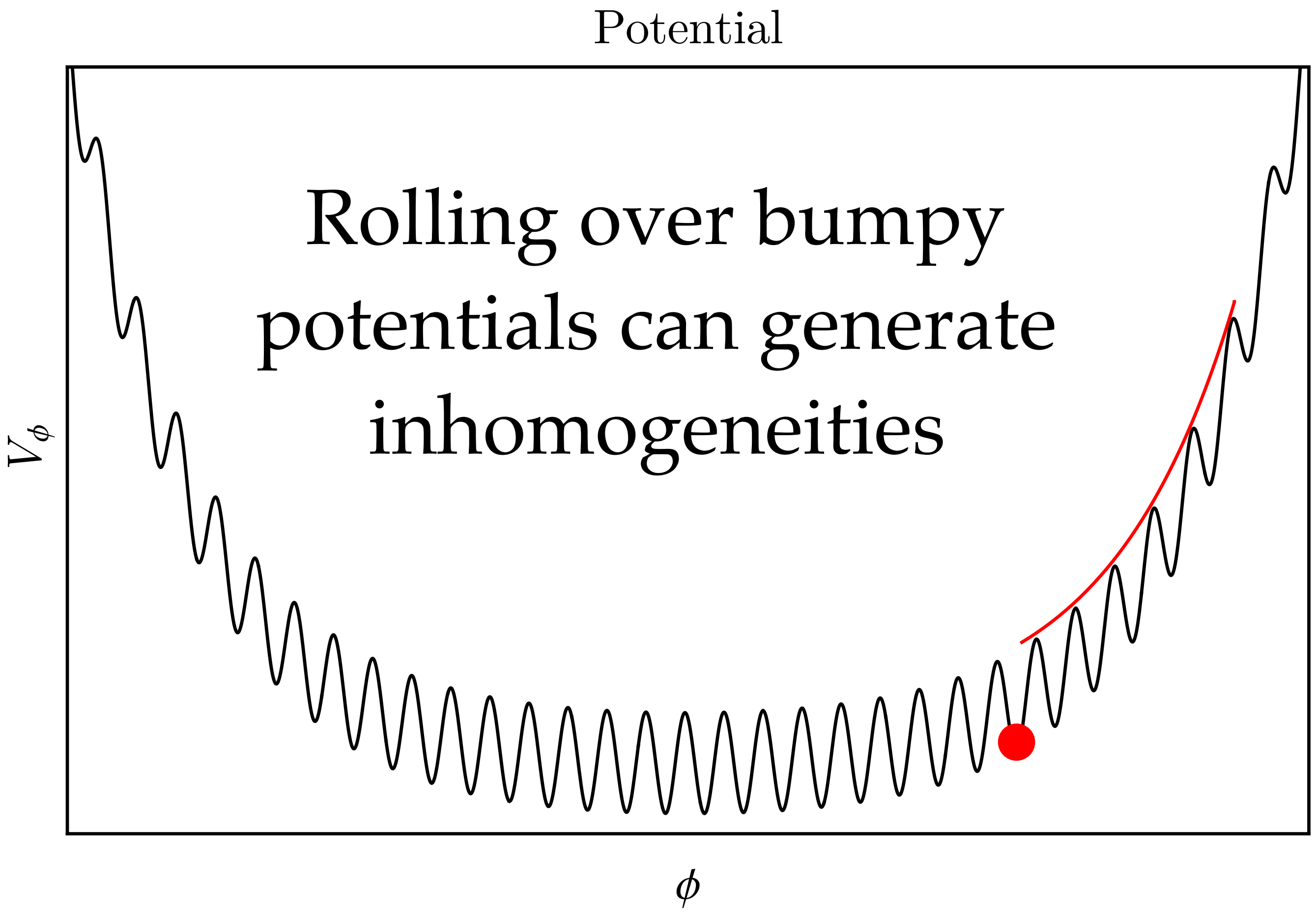


Not a strong constraint for our parameters but can be strong

Constraints

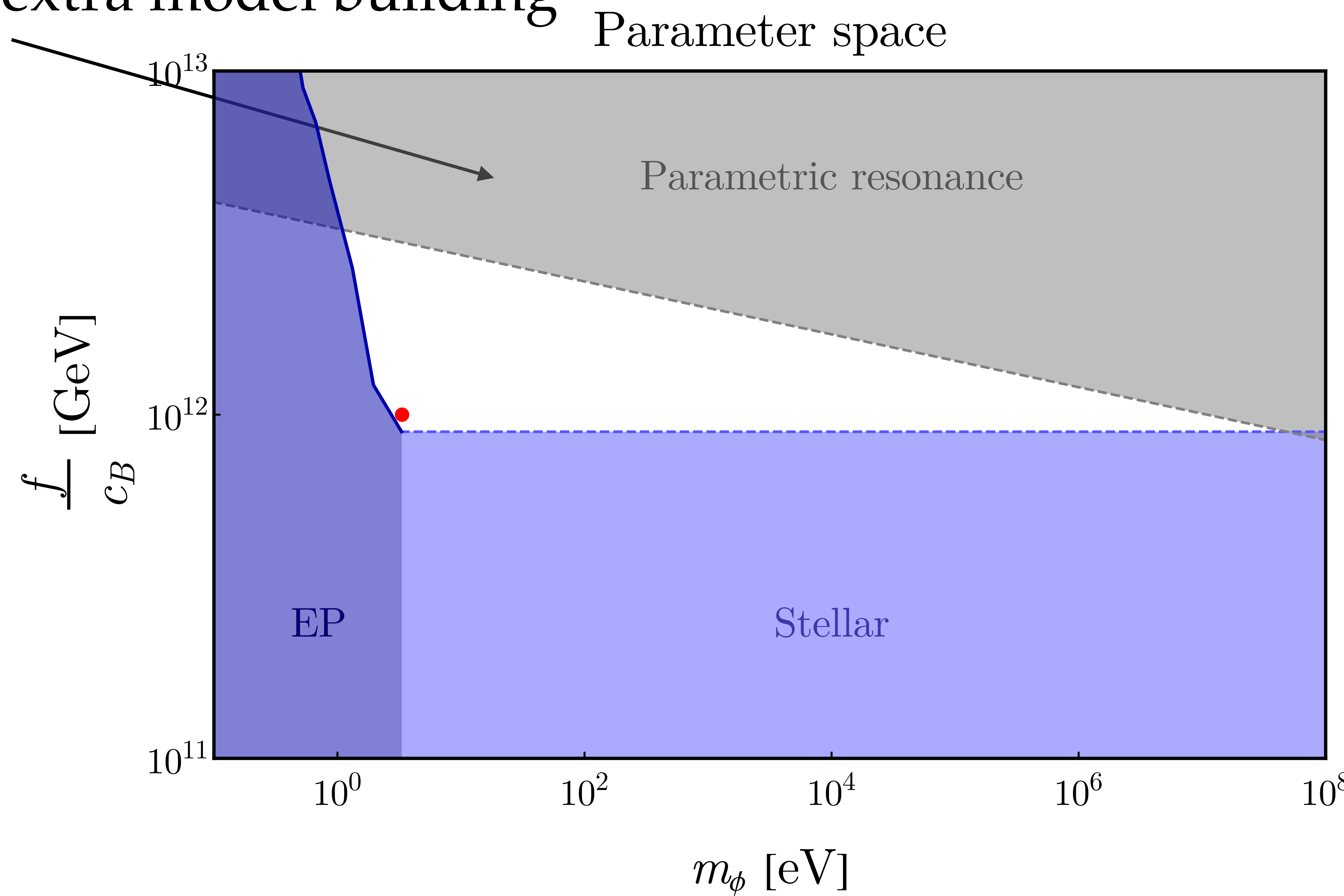
Parametric Resonance





Constraints

Can evade this constraint with only a little bit of extra model building



Conclusion

The baryon/DM coincidence problem is a very troubling problem

New solution that applies to almost all models of DM!

Scalar adjusts DM and baryon masses until energy densities are about equal

Model is very observable

Interesting experimental signatures!