

End of Single Scalar Inflation Models: Time-dependent Zeta Correlators

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Curvature Power Spectrum:

$$\Delta_R^2(k, t) = \frac{k^3}{2\pi^2} \int d^3x e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} \langle \mathcal{R}(t, \vec{x}) \mathcal{R}(t, \vec{0}) \rangle$$

Perturbation theory

$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + a^2(t) d\vec{x} \cdot d\vec{x} \quad \text{with} \quad H \equiv \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \quad ; \quad \epsilon \equiv -\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2}$$

after horizon crossing ($k = H(t_k) a(t_k)$)

$$\Delta_R^2(t, k) \rightarrow \text{almost constant} \rightarrow \text{drop } t ;$$

• Prediction of a typical single-scalar inflaton

$$\text{tree order} \Rightarrow \Delta_R^2(k) \approx \frac{6H^2(t_k)}{\pi \epsilon(t_k)} ; \text{ and observed value}$$

$$\text{reconstructed from CMB data} \Rightarrow 2.14 \times 10^{-9}$$

Table 4. Parameter 68 % confidence limits for the base Λ CDM model from *Planck* CMB power spectra. In combination with lensing reconstruction (“lensing”) and external data (“ext.” BAO+JLA+ H_0). Nuisance parameters are not listed for brevity (they can be found in the *Planck Legacy Archive* tables), but the last three parameters give a summary measure of the total foreground amplitude (in μK^2) at $l = 2000$ for the three high- l temperature spectra used by the likelihood. In all cases the helium mass fraction used is predicted by BBN (posterior mean $Y_p \approx 0.2453$, with theoretical uncertainties in the BBN predictions dominating over the *Planck* error on $D_M l^2$).

$$\Delta \tilde{\kappa}^2(k_0) = (2.142 \pm 0.049) \times 10^{-9} \left(\frac{k}{k_0} \right)^{0.0333 \pm 0.0040}$$

Parameter	TT+lensP 68 % limits	TT+lensP+lensing 68 % limits	TT+lensP+lensing+ext 68 % limits	TT,TEEE+lensP 68 % limits	TT,TEEE+lensP+lensing 68 % limits	TT,TEEE+lensP+lensing+ext 68 % limits
$D_M l^2$	0.0222 ± 0.00023	0.02226 ± 0.00023	0.02227 ± 0.00023	0.02225 ± 0.00016	0.02226 ± 0.00016	0.02220 ± 0.00014
$D_M l^2$	0.1197 ± 0.0022	0.1186 ± 0.0020	0.1184 ± 0.0012	0.1198 ± 0.0015	0.1190 ± 0.0014	0.1188 ± 0.0010
$100\theta_{MC}$	1.04085 ± 0.00047	1.04103 ± 0.00046	1.04106 ± 0.00041	1.04107 ± 0.00032	1.04087 ± 0.00022	1.04083 ± 0.00020
τ	0.078 ± 0.019	0.066 ± 0.016	0.067 ± 0.013	0.079 ± 0.017	0.063 ± 0.014	0.066 ± 0.012
h (10 ¹⁰ A ⁻¹)	0.689 ± 0.026	0.692 ± 0.029	0.694 ± 0.028	0.694 ± 0.024	0.679 ± 0.025	0.694 ± 0.025
Σ	0.9035 ± 0.0062	0.907 ± 0.0060	0.908 ± 0.0064	0.9045 ± 0.0069	0.9053 ± 0.0068	0.9067 ± 0.0060
R_0	67.31 ± 0.96	67.81 ± 0.92	67.90 ± 0.55	67.27 ± 0.66	67.51 ± 0.64	67.74 ± 0.46
D_M	0.605 ± 0.013	0.602 ± 0.012	0.6035 ± 0.0072	0.6044 ± 0.0091	0.6079 ± 0.0087	0.6011 ± 0.0062
D_M	0.315 ± 0.011	0.308 ± 0.012	0.3065 ± 0.0072	0.3156 ± 0.0091	0.3121 ± 0.0087	0.3089 ± 0.0062
$D_M l^2$	0.1426 ± 0.0020	0.1415 ± 0.0019	0.1413 ± 0.0011	0.1427 ± 0.0014	0.1422 ± 0.0013	0.14170 ± 0.00097
$D_M l^2$	0.09597 ± 0.00045	0.09591 ± 0.00045	0.09593 ± 0.00045	0.09601 ± 0.00029	0.09596 ± 0.00020	0.09598 ± 0.00029
σ_8	0.829 ± 0.014	0.8149 ± 0.0093	0.8154 ± 0.0090	0.821 ± 0.013	0.8150 ± 0.0087	0.8159 ± 0.0086
$\sigma_8 l^2$	0.666 ± 0.013	0.6521 ± 0.0088	0.6514 ± 0.0066	0.668 ± 0.0098	0.6553 ± 0.0068	0.6535 ± 0.0059
$\sigma_8 l^2$	0.621 ± 0.013	0.6069 ± 0.0076	0.6066 ± 0.0070	0.623 ± 0.011	0.6091 ± 0.0067	0.6083 ± 0.0066
Σ	0.9 ^{+1.3} _{-1.2}	0.8 ^{+0.7} _{-0.4}	0.9 ^{+1.3} _{-1.5}	1.0 ^{+0.7} _{-0.5}	0.9 ^{+1.4} _{-1.5}	0.8 ^{+1.3} _{-1.1}
$10\theta_{MC}$	2.140 ± 0.029	2.139 ± 0.063	2.140 ± 0.051	2.137 ± 0.074	2.130 ± 0.053	2.142 ± 0.049
$10^4 \theta_{MC}^{-2}$	1.880 ± 0.014	1.874 ± 0.013	1.873 ± 0.011	1.882 ± 0.012	1.878 ± 0.011	1.876 ± 0.011
Age/Gyr	13.813 ± 0.028	13.799 ± 0.028	13.796 ± 0.029	13.813 ± 0.026	13.807 ± 0.026	13.799 ± 0.021

$$\Delta R^2(k_0) = (2.142 \pm 0.049) \times 10^{-9} \left(\frac{k}{k_0} \right)^{0.033370.0040}$$

• This measurement \Rightarrow Qua. fluc. \leftrightarrow cosmology

Q1: Is it worth to calculate the qua. effects beyond tree level?

A1.1: Which kind of interactions have the biggest effect?

• A1: expanding universe increases the effect of virtual particles; especially massless ones.

• A1.1: conformal non-invariance enhances:

\Rightarrow MMCs, Gravitons interacting with any particle.

E. Mottola \Rightarrow conformal anomaly \Rightarrow same reason!

It is instructive to see this by E-t uncert. reln.

• Flat Space

Before
vacuum
 $\vec{p} = 0$
 $E = 0$

After
 $\vec{p} = \vec{p} - \vec{p}$
 $E = 2\sqrt{m^2 + k^2}$

• $\Delta E \Delta t \gtrsim \hbar$
to Not resolve ΔE
 $\Delta t \lesssim \frac{1}{2\sqrt{m^2 + k^2}}$

∴ $m=0$ biggest effect.

• Curved $\Rightarrow a(t) \neq 1$ $x \rightarrow x + \Delta x$ is ok $\Rightarrow k$ is a good Qva #

but $\cdot x_{\text{phys}} = a(t)x \Rightarrow k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \rightarrow k_{\text{phys}} = \frac{k}{a(t)}$

∴ $E = \sqrt{m^2 + \frac{k^2}{a^2(t)}}$

• E-t reln $\Rightarrow \int_t^{t+\Delta t} dt' E(t', k) \sim 1$

for $m=0$, $a=e^{Ht}$

$\Rightarrow \int_t^{t+\Delta t} dt' E(t', k) = \left[1 - e^{-H\Delta t} \right] \frac{k}{Ha(t)} \sim 1$

• $k \lesssim Ha(t)$ survive forever ($\Delta t \rightarrow \infty$ still ~ 1).

\Rightarrow massless virtual particle can survive forever \Rightarrow qua. flux \Rightarrow seed

But... how many of these virt. particles come out?

Conf. inv. plays a crucial role $\phi \rightarrow \frac{\phi}{\Omega}$

$$\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = \Omega^2(x) g_{\mu\nu} \quad A_\mu \rightarrow A_\mu \quad \psi \rightarrow \frac{\psi}{\Omega^{3/2}}$$

$$d\text{em} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\sigma\tau} F_{\mu\nu} g^{\sigma\mu} g^{\tau\nu} \sqrt{g} \rightarrow -\frac{1}{4} F_{\sigma\tau} F_{\mu\nu} \cancel{\Omega^2} g^{\sigma\mu} \cancel{\Omega^{-2}} g^{\tau\nu} \cancel{\Omega^4} \sqrt{-g}$$

$r \rightarrow \text{conf. inv.}$

Remember FRW $ds^2 = -dt^2 + a^2(t) d\vec{x}^2 \cdot d\vec{x}^2 = a^2(t) [-d\eta^2 + d\vec{x}^2 \cdot d\vec{x}^2]$

$$d\eta = \frac{dt}{a(t)} ; g_{\mu\nu} = a^2 \eta_{\mu\nu} \Rightarrow \text{conf flat geo. ; } \Omega = \frac{1}{a}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{conf}}(g_{\mu\nu}, A_\mu, \psi, \phi) = \mathcal{L}_{\text{conf}}(\eta_{\mu\nu}, A_\mu, a^{3/2}\psi, a\phi)$$

Local field redefn \Rightarrow won't change physics \Rightarrow conf inv \Rightarrow same as flat

$$\frac{dN}{d\eta} = \Gamma_{\text{flat}} ; \frac{dN}{dt} = \frac{dN}{d\eta} \frac{d\eta}{dt} = \frac{\Gamma_{\text{flat}}}{a} \Rightarrow \text{few with emerge}$$

- Massless and Non-con f.-inv \Rightarrow MMS inter. others
- Max effect GR

* qf-qc / 0508015 ; R.P. Woodard, EOK

MMCS + δ : a Toy model

$$-iM^2(x; x') = \dots + \dots + \dots + \dots$$

in x-space ; $i\Delta_{\nu}^{\nu} \quad {}_2F_1 \left(D-1, 2; \frac{D}{2} + 1; -\frac{y}{4} \right) \frac{x^{\nu} y}{\partial x^{\mu} \partial x^{\nu}}$

+ ... and other hypers ; also we have $i\Delta(x; x')$.

$$\mathcal{L} = - (\partial_{\mu} - i e_0 A_{\mu}) \partial^{\mu} (\partial_{\nu} + i e_0 A_{\nu}) \partial g^{\mu\nu} \sqrt{-g}$$

$$- \int_0^{\infty} \partial^{\mu} \partial R \sqrt{-g} - \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F_{\sigma\tau} g^{\mu\sigma} g^{\nu\tau} \sqrt{-g}$$

$$\text{solve for } \partial ; \partial_{\mu} (\sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_{\nu} \partial) - \int d^4x M^2(x; x') \partial(x) = 0$$

Soln \Rightarrow O^{th} order: well known $v(\eta, k) = \frac{H}{\sqrt{2k^3}} \left[1 - \frac{ik}{Ha} \right] \exp \left[\frac{ik}{Ha} \right]$

1-loop corrected mod. fnc. perturbatively ;

$$\Rightarrow v_{1\text{-loop}} = v_0 \left[1 + \mathcal{O} \left(\frac{h m a}{a} \right) \right] \quad \bullet \text{qr-qc / 0508015}$$

* Idea: Why don't we do it per inflation?

- a much easier calculation with scalars •

\Rightarrow not a good idea: small and irrelevant.

Just during those days:

- hep-th / 0506236 \Rightarrow
- hep-th / 0605244

Quantum contributions to cosmological correlations

Steven Weinberg (Texas U.). Aug 2005.

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Quantum contributions to cosmological correlations. II. Can these corrections become large?

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∴ Don't hesitate if you think you have a good idea!

- The question that Weinberg had was: Can qua. corrections become "large"? ?

VI. AFTERTHOUGHT

In generic theories the N integrals over time in N -th order perturbation theory will yield correlation functions at time t that grow as $(\ln a(t))^N$. Such a power series in $\ln a(t)$ can easily add up to a time dependence that grows like a power of $a(t)$, or even more dramatically. As everyone knows, the series of powers of the logarithm of energy encountered in various flat-space theories such as quantum chromodynamics can be summed by the method of the renormalization group. It will be interesting to see if the power series in $\ln a(t)$ encountered in calculating cosmological correlation functions at time t , though arising here in a very different way, can be summed by similar methods.

- arXiv: 0912.2734 (Senatore, Zaldarriaga)

Claim: Weinberg is wrong, no t -dep for \mathcal{S} .

* Partially correct; Weinberg made an error
in one example in his paper
* but general argument still true.

- arXiv: 1006.3999 ; EOR, V.K. Onemli, R.P. Woodard

Idea: Finding a counter-example for $\zeta-\zeta$ time dep.

$$\mathcal{L} = \left[\frac{R}{16\pi G} - \frac{1}{2} \partial_{,\mu} \partial_{,\nu} g^{m\nu} - V(\varrho) - \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{,\mu} \sigma_{,\nu} g^{m\nu} - U(\sigma) \right] \sqrt{-g}$$

use A.D.M 3+1 and Maldacena's procedure

$$g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu = -N^2 dt^2 + g_{ij} (dx^i - N^i dt) (dx^j - N^j dt)$$

$$g_{ij} = a^2(t) e^{2\zeta(t, \vec{x})} \tilde{g}_{ij}(t, \vec{x}) ; \varrho(t, \vec{x}) = \varrho_0(t) = 0$$

$$R = \frac{e^{-2\zeta}}{a^2} \left[\tilde{R} - 2(D-2) \tilde{\nabla}^2 \zeta - (D-2)(D-3) \zeta^{,k} \zeta_{,k} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow R(t, \vec{x}) \equiv -\frac{\alpha^2(t)}{4D^2} R = \left(\frac{D-2}{2} \right) \zeta(t, \vec{x}) + \mathcal{O}(\zeta^2, \zeta^k, \eta^2)$$

\therefore at linear order $\langle RR \rangle \xrightarrow{D=4} \zeta-\zeta$ correlator

- Solving the constraints at quadratic order:

$$\mathcal{L}_\zeta^{(2)} = \frac{(D-2)\epsilon a^{D-1}}{16\pi G} \left\{ \dot{\zeta}^2 - \frac{1}{a^2} \partial_k \zeta \partial_k \zeta \right\}; \quad \mathcal{L}_h^{(2)} = \frac{a^{D-1}}{64\pi G} \left\{ h_{ij} h_{ij} - \frac{1}{a^2} \partial_k h_{ij} \partial_k h_{ij} \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_\sigma^{(2)} = \frac{a^{D-1}}{2} \left\{ \dot{\sigma}^2 - \frac{1}{a^2} \partial_k \sigma \partial_k \sigma \right\}; \quad \epsilon \sim \text{const} \Rightarrow i \Delta_\zeta(x; x') \approx \frac{8\pi G}{(D-2)\epsilon} i \Delta(x; x')$$

Ford, Parker (77) \mathbb{R} -problem

$$i \Delta(x; x') = \int \frac{d^{D-1} k}{(2\pi)^{D-1}} \theta(k \cdot L^{-1}) e^{i \vec{k} \cdot (\vec{x} - \vec{x}')} \times \left\{ \theta(t-t') u(t, k) v^*(t', k) + \theta(t-t') v^*(t, k) u(t', k) \right\}$$

- $u(t, k)$ which I showed before in ($D=4$)

For const. $\epsilon \Rightarrow u(t, k) = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{4(1-\epsilon)H}}}{a^{\frac{D-1}{2}}} H_{\nu}^{(1)} \left(\frac{k}{(1-\epsilon)H a} \right); \quad \nu \equiv \frac{D-1-\epsilon}{2(1-\epsilon)}$

Ford-Vilorkin = Inf. log (1982)

$$\text{Let's look at } i\Delta \sim \int \frac{d^{D-1}k}{(2\pi)^{D-1}} v \cdot v^* \sim \int k^{D-2} dk |v|^2$$

$$v \sim H_{\nu}^{(1)}(-k\eta)$$

remember $H_{\nu}^{(1)}(z) = J_{\nu}(z) + i N_{\nu}(z)$ or $\frac{1}{\sin(\nu\pi)} (\cos(\nu\pi) J_{\nu}(z) + i J_{-\nu}(z))$

$$J_{\nu}(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(z/2)^{2n+2\nu}}{n! \Gamma(n+2\nu)} \Rightarrow J_{-\nu}(z) \sim z^{-\nu} \quad ; \quad \nu = \frac{D-1}{2}$$

$$\therefore i\Delta \sim \int dz \frac{z^{D-2}}{z^{D-1}} \Rightarrow \int \frac{dz}{z} \sim \log z$$

can't integrate k integral all the way down (improved div-)

This brings $\log a(t)$

$$S = \int d^4x a^3 \left[-\dot{H}_{Pl}^2 \left(\dot{\pi}^2 - \frac{1}{a^2} (\partial_i \pi)^2 \right) + \frac{2}{3} c_3 M^4 \left(2\dot{\pi}^3 + 3\dot{\pi}^4 - 3\frac{1}{a^2} \dot{\pi}^2 (\partial_i \pi)^2 \right) \right] \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \ln a(t) = H$$

all time deriv

no time. dep.

Getting $r \approx 16 \epsilon$ rel n :

From quadratic $\delta^{(2)'} \Rightarrow i \Delta \epsilon (x; x') \approx \frac{8\pi G}{(D-2)\epsilon} i \Delta (x; x')$

$$i [\Delta_{kl}] (x; x') = 32\pi G \left[\prod_{ik} \prod_{lj} - \frac{\prod_{ij} \prod_{kl}}{(D-2)} \right] i \Delta (x; x'); \quad \prod_{ij} \equiv \delta_{ij} - \frac{\partial_i \partial_j}{\partial^2}$$

use the fact that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u(t, k) \approx \frac{H(t, k)}{\sqrt{2k^3}}$

$$\bullet \left[\Delta_R^2 (k, t) \right]_{tree} \approx \frac{k^3}{2\pi^2} \times \frac{8\pi G}{2\epsilon} \times |u(t, k)|^2 \approx \frac{6H^2(t, k)}{\pi \epsilon}$$

$$\bullet \left[\Delta_h^2 (k, t) \right]_{tree} \approx \frac{k^3}{2\pi^2} \times 32\pi G \times 2 \times |u(t, k)|^2 \approx \frac{16}{\pi} G H^2(t, k)$$

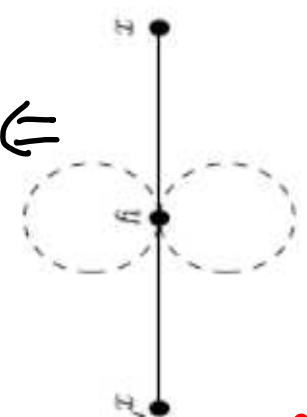
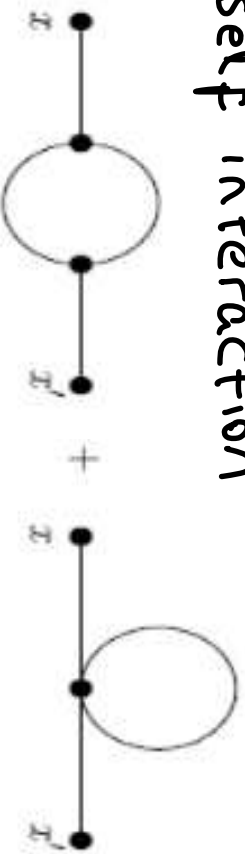
$$\bullet r \equiv \frac{\Delta_h^2(k_0)}{\Delta_R^2(k_0)} \approx 16 \epsilon \text{ with } \Delta_h^2(t, k) \equiv \frac{k^3}{2\pi^2} \int d^3x e^{-i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x}} \langle h_{ij}(t, \vec{x}) h_{ij}(t, 0) \rangle$$

• Loop Contributions to Δ_R^2

Simplest generalization of \mathcal{L}_τ and \mathcal{L}_σ

$$\mathcal{L}_\tau \Rightarrow \frac{(D-2)\epsilon}{16\pi G} \alpha^{D-1} e^{(D-1)\tau} \left\{ \tau^2 - e^{-2\tau} \partial_\tau \tau \partial_\tau \tau \right\}; \mathcal{L}_\sigma = \frac{\epsilon}{D-1} \alpha^{D-1} e^{(D-1)\tau} U(\tau)$$

• τ self interaction



• spectator

$$U(\sigma) = \frac{\lambda \sigma^4}{4!}$$

$$[\Delta_R^2] \approx \frac{6H^2}{\pi \epsilon} \left\{ 1 + \frac{27}{4\pi} \frac{6H^2}{\epsilon} \ln \alpha + \mathcal{O}(G^2 H^2) \right\}; \frac{6H^2}{\pi \epsilon} \left\{ 1 + \frac{\lambda G H^2}{48 \pi^3} \ln^3 \alpha \right\}$$

Remember $G H^2(t_{k_0}) \approx \frac{\pi}{16} \times r \times \Delta_R^2(k_0) \sim 10^{-10}$

Planck 2015 $\Rightarrow r \leq 0.12$; $\epsilon(t_{k_0}) \approx \frac{r}{16} \leq 0.0075$

$$\Delta_r \approx 2 \times 10^{-9}$$

On Loops in Inflation II: IR Effects in Single Clock Inflation

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← intro

On Loops in Inflation III: Time Independence of zeta in Single Clock Inflation

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← a more serious calculation

The constancy of ζ in single-clock Inflation at all loops

Leonardo Senatore (CERN & Stanford U., Phys. Dept. & Stanford U., ITP & SLAC & KIPAC, Menlo Park), Matias Zaldarriaga (Princeton, Inst. Advanced Study). Oct 2012. 15 pp.
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← ????

• many flaws in their arguments:

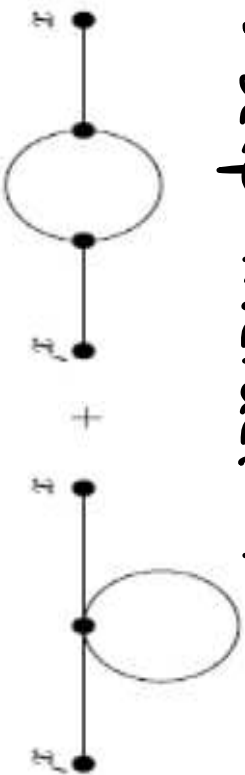
Pimentel accepts ϕ^4 giving t -dep but ...

“Proving” taking $k \ll H$, $k \gg H$ but ignore $k \sim H$ which give logs all orders

• EFT of Inflation ...

- 1-loop correction to non-Gaussianity

- self interaction



$$U_{tree} \approx \frac{H}{\sqrt{2\epsilon}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2k^3}} \left\{ 1 + \frac{k^2 \eta^2}{2} + \dots \right\}; k\eta \ll 1$$

$$U_{1-loop} \approx U_{tree} \left\{ 1 + \mathcal{O}(1) G H^2 \eta_0 + \dots \right\}$$

$$U'_{tree} \Rightarrow \frac{H}{\sqrt{2\epsilon}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2k^3}} \left\{ k^2 \eta + \dots \right\}$$

$$U'_{1-loop} \Rightarrow \frac{H}{\sqrt{2\epsilon}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2k^3}} k^2 \eta \left\{ 1 + \mathcal{O}(1) G H^2 \frac{1}{k^2 \eta^2} \right\}$$

$$= U'_{tree} \left\{ 1 + \mathcal{O}(1) G H^2 \frac{1}{k^2 \eta^2} \right\}$$

$$\text{Power Spectrum} \sim \langle \zeta_{\vec{k}_1} \zeta_{\vec{k}_2} \rangle \sim \delta^3(\vec{k}_1 + \vec{k}_2) |U_{k_1}|^2$$

$$\text{Bispectrum} \sim \langle \zeta_{\vec{k}_1} \zeta_{\vec{k}_2} \zeta_{\vec{k}_3} \rangle \sim \delta^3(\vec{k}_1 + \vec{k}_2 + \vec{k}_3) U_{k_1}(\eta) U_{k_2}(\eta) U_{k_3}(\eta)$$

$$* \left\{ \int_{\eta_0}^{\eta} \frac{d\eta}{\eta^3} U'_{k_1}^* U'_{k_2}^* U'_{k_3} + \text{c.c.} \right\}$$

∴ The loop correction to Power Spectrum is small

$$|U_k|^2 \sim |U_k|_{\text{tree}}^2 (1 + \mathcal{O}(1) G H^2 \lambda m a)$$

But Bispectrum $\rightarrow f_{NL} \propto U_{k_1}^{*'} U_{k_2}^{*'} U_{k_3}^{*}'$

$$\therefore \text{loop corrected } \sim (U_{k_1}^{*'} U_{k_2}^{*'} U_{k_3}^{*}')_{\text{tree}} \left[1 + \left(\frac{G H^2 \lambda m a}{k^2 \eta^2} \right)^3 \right]$$

For $k \eta \ll 1$ (60-e-folds) ; $G H^2 \sim 10^{-10}$

$$\eta \sim \frac{1}{\alpha H} \quad \text{loop correction } \sim \text{tree} \left[1 + \left[\frac{10^{-10} * 10^2}{e^{60}} \right]^3 \right]$$

Huge correction that would make

all single scalar inflation models to be ruled out.

CONCLUSIONS

- Quasi effects during Inflation are already observed.
- Why not go beyond tree-level?
- Massless and conformal non-inv. particles give rise to biggest effect.
- Time dependent $[\log a(t)]$ corrections

do occur for certain interactions:

• eg. S -loops $\Rightarrow U_0 \left(1 + \# \frac{GH^2}{\epsilon} \ln a + \dots \right)$

σ -loops $\Rightarrow U_0 \left(1 + \# \lambda GH^2 \ln^3 a + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^2) \right)$

$GH^2(t_{k_0}) \approx 10^{-10}$; $\ln a \sim 10^2$; $\frac{1}{\epsilon} \sim 10^2$

$GH^2/\epsilon \ln a \approx 10^{-6} \neq 0$; small but not zero.

- For power spectrum : correction is there but small

BUT for Bispectrum : 1-loop dominates the tree-level
 by 30-orders of magnitude

\Rightarrow huge value for f_{NL}

$$B_{\zeta}^{\text{local}}(k_1, k_2, k_3)_{k_1 \approx k_2 \gg k_3} \approx \frac{12}{5} f_{NL} P(k_1) P(k_3)$$

But

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$$f_{NL}^{\text{local}} = 2.5 \pm 5.7$$

$B_{\zeta}(k_3 \ll k_1) = (1 - n_s) P(k_1) P(k_3) \Rightarrow$ Creminelli-Zaldarriaga consistency condition doesn't apply (or not const.)

∴ Loop do matter after all.