

NON-GAUSSIAN FLUCTUATIONS OF THE INFLATON AND CONSTANCY OF CORRELATIONS OF ζ OUTSIDE THE HORIZON

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NON-GAUSSIANITIES IN SINGLE FIELD INFLATION

- NON-GAUSSIANITIES IN THE CURVATURE PERTURBATION ζ CAN ARISE FROM
 - 1) SELF INTERACTIONS OF THE INFLATON, AND
 - 2) NON-LINEARITIES IN COSMOLOGICAL PERTURBATION THEORY.
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- IS IGNORED COMPARED TO TERMS PROPORTIONAL TO SLOW ROLL PARAMETERS $\varepsilon \sim V'^2$ AND $\eta \sim V''$.
[MALDACENA 2003]

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($N_e(t)$ is the number of e-foldings since horizon exit, and increases from 0 to 60 by the end of inflation for our current horizon scale).

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IS THE CALCULATION OF THE INFLATON SELF INTERACTION CONTRIBUTION TO $\langle \zeta^3 \rangle$ INCORRECT?

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- LET US RE-EXAMINE THE ARGUMENT THAT CORRELATIONS OF THE CURVATURE PERTURBATION $\zeta(k)$ ARE CONSTANT OUTSIDE THE HORIZON.

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- THE 2-POINT FUNCTION

$$\langle \zeta(k_1) \zeta(k_2) \rangle = (2\pi)^3 |\zeta(k_1)|^2 \delta^3(\mathbf{k}_1 - \mathbf{k}_2)$$

IS CONSTANT AFTER HORIZON EXIT.

- **WHAT ABOUT HIGHER POINT FUNCTIONS ?**

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- ζ IS CLASSICAL AND CONSTANCY OUTSIDE THE HORIZON IMPLIES CORRELATIONS ALSO CONSTANT OUTSIDE THE HORIZON
- WEINBERG (2006) ARGUES THAT PERTURBATIONS OUTSIDE HORIZON CLASSICAL IN THE SENSE THAT

$$[\zeta, \zeta], [\zeta, \dot{\zeta}] \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for large } t$$

n-POINT FUNCTIONS OF CAN GROW AS $(\ln a)$ OR POWERS OF $(\ln a)$, BUT NOT POWERS OF a .

$$(\ln a) = N_e$$

CONSTANCY CONDITION FOR $\zeta(k)$ 3-POINT FUNCTION

- WE INVESTIGATE WHETHER THE 3-POINT FUNCTION IS CONSTANT OUTSIDE THE HORIZON, IN LIGHT OF THE TIME DEPENDENT CONTRIBUTION PROPORTIONAL TO N_e FROM INFLATON SELF INTERACTIONS

CALCULATION OF THE 3-POINT FUNCTION OF $\zeta(k)$ AND f_{NL}

- WE CALCULATE $\langle (\delta\phi)^3 \rangle$ IN THE $\delta\phi \neq 0$ GAUGE, USING THE CANONICAL FORMALISM FOR CUBIC NEW INFLATION $V(\phi) = V_0 - \mu \phi^3$.
- WE THEN RELATE $\zeta(k,t)$ TO $\delta\phi(k,t)$. AND CALCULATE $\langle \zeta^3(t) \rangle$, AND THE NON-GAUSSIANITY PARAMETER f_{NL} .
- t IS ARBITRARY, UNLIKE IN THE δN FORMALISM WHERE $t \sim$ TIME OF HORIZON EXIT SO AS TO STUDY POSSIBLE GROWTH AFTER HORIZON EXIT

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$$\langle \varphi(t)^3 \rangle = i \int_{t_0}^t dt' \left\langle \left[H_I(t'), \varphi_I(t)^3 \right] \right\rangle \quad \varphi \equiv \delta\phi$$

$$S_3 = \int dt d^3x a^3 \left[-\frac{\dot{\phi}}{4H} \varphi \dot{\phi}^2 - \frac{1}{a^2} \frac{\dot{\phi}}{4H} \varphi (\partial_i \varphi)^2 \right. \\ \left. + \frac{\dot{\phi}}{2H} \partial_i \varphi (\partial_i^{-1} \dot{\phi}) \dot{\phi} - \frac{1}{6} V'''(\phi) \varphi^3 \right]$$

CALCULATION OF THE 3-POINT FUNCTION OF $\zeta(\mathbf{k})$ AND f_{NL}

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \varphi(\vec{k}_1, t) \hat{\varphi}(\vec{k}_2, t) \hat{\varphi}(\vec{k}_3, t) \rangle &= (2\pi)^3 \delta(\vec{k}_1 + \vec{k}_2 + \vec{k}_3) \\ &\times \left[\frac{H^2 V'''}{4 \prod_i k_i^3} \left(-\frac{4}{9} k_t^3 + k_t \sum_{i < j} k_i k_j + \frac{1}{3} \left\{ \frac{1}{3} + \gamma + \ln |k_t \tau| \right\} \sum_i k_i^3 \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{H^4}{8 \prod_i k_i^3} \frac{\dot{\phi}}{H} \left(\frac{1}{2} \sum_i k_i^3 - \frac{4}{k_t} \sum_{i < j} k_i^2 k_j^2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} k_i k_j^2 \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$i, j = 1, 2, 3, \quad k_i = |\mathbf{k}_i|$$

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CALCULATION OF THE 3-POINT FUNCTION OF $\zeta(\mathbf{k})$ AND f_{NL}

$$\zeta(\mathbf{k}, t) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\epsilon}}\varphi(\mathbf{k}, t) + \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{\eta}{2\epsilon}\right) \int \frac{d^3q}{(2\pi)^3} \varphi(\mathbf{k}_1 - \mathbf{q}, t) \varphi(\mathbf{q}, t) + \dots$$

[GAUGE TRANSFORMATION - MALDACENA 2003]

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$$\langle \zeta(\mathbf{k}_1, t) \zeta(\mathbf{k}_2, t) \zeta(\mathbf{k}_3, t) \rangle \equiv (2\pi)^3 \delta(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3) \frac{6}{5} f_{\text{NL}} \sum_{i < j} P_\zeta(k_i) P_\zeta(k_j)$$

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$$\frac{6}{5}f_{\text{NL}}(k_1, k_2, k_3, t) = \xi \left[\frac{1}{3} + \gamma - \underline{N_e} + \frac{3}{\sum_i k_i^3} \left(k_t \sum_{i < j} k_i k_j - \frac{4}{9} k_t^3 \right) \right] \\ + \frac{3}{2} \epsilon - \underline{\eta} + \frac{\epsilon}{\sum_i k_i^3} \left(\frac{4}{k_t} \sum_{i < j} k_i^2 k_j^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} k_i k_j^2 \right)$$

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FOR $n_s = 0.96$, $\eta = -0.02$. $\xi = 0.5 \eta^2$. $\xi N_e = 0.012$, $\epsilon \ll \xi N_e$

SO THE SELF INTERACTION CONTRIBUTION $\sim \xi$ SHOULD
NOT BE IGNORED OUTRIGHT

$d f_{\text{NL}} / dt$

- f_{NL} IS A FUNCTION OF $\epsilon(t)$, $\eta(t)$, $\xi(t)$ AND $N_e = H (t - t_{\text{exit}})$. NOW

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SIMILAR TO SEERY ET AL (2008)

$$d f_{\text{NL}} / dt = 0$$

TIME EVOLUTION OF f_{NL} DUE TO SELF INTERACTIONS IS CANCELLED BY CONTRIBUTION OF OTHER TERMS FROM COSMOLOGICAL PERT. THEORY.

THUS THE TOTAL 3-POINT FUNCTION OF ζ DOES NOT GROW OUTSIDE THE HORIZON.

CONCLUSION

- THE ARGUMENT THAT ONE SHOULD IGNORE THE CONTRIBUTION OF SELF INTERACTIONS TO f_{NL} HAS BEEN RE-EXAMINED
- GROWS OUTSIDE THE HORIZON $\sim N_e$
- WE CALCULATE $\langle \zeta^3(t) \rangle$ TO STUDY SUPERHORIZON EVOLUTION
- GROWTH DUE TO SELF INTERACTIONS IS CANCELLED BY GROWTH IN OTHER TERMS IN f_{NL}

