

Remembrance of Things Past

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Large Logs from Loops of Inflationary Gravitons

- $ds^2 = -dt^2 + a^2(t)d\vec{x} \cdot d\vec{x} \quad \rightarrow \quad H(t) = \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \quad , \quad \epsilon(t) = -\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2}$
 - Inflation is $H > 0$ & $0 \leq \epsilon < 1$ de Sitter $\rightarrow \epsilon = 0, \dot{H} = 0, a = e^{Ht}$
 - Gravitons ripped from vacuum $\rightarrow N(t, \vec{k}) = \frac{\pi \Delta_h^2(k)}{32Gk^2} \times a^2(t)$
- GR + EM (arXiv:1308.3453 & 1408.1448)
 - $\Phi(t, r) = \frac{Q}{4\pi ar} \left\{ 1 + \frac{2G}{3\pi a^2 r^2} + \frac{2GH^2}{\pi} \ln(aHr) + \dots \right\}$
 - $F^{0i}(t, \vec{x}) = F_0^{0i}(t, \vec{x}) \left\{ 1 + \frac{2GH^2}{\pi} \ln(a) + \dots \right\}$
- Pure GR (arXiv:2107.13905 & 2206.11467)
 - $u(t, k) = u_0(t, k) \left\{ 1 + \frac{16GH^2}{3\pi} \ln(a)^2 + \dots \right\}$
 - $\Psi(t, r) = -\frac{GM}{ar} \left\{ 1 + \frac{103G}{15\pi a^2 r^2} - \frac{8GH^2}{\pi} [\ln(a)^3 - 3 \ln(a) \ln(Hr)] + \dots \right\}$
- Perturbation theory breaks down for $GH^2 \times \ln(a)^\# \sim 1$
 - Evolve later by summing series of leading logarithms
 - Late time effects requires formalism for general $a(t)$ with primordial inflation

Starobinsky's Stochastic Formalism

- Works for scalar potential models

- $\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \Phi \partial_\nu \Phi g^{\mu\nu} \sqrt{-g} - V(\Phi) \sqrt{-g}$

- $V(\Phi) = \frac{\lambda}{4!} \Phi^4 \rightarrow \rho(t) = \frac{H^4}{32\pi^2} \left\{ -3 + \frac{\lambda}{4\pi^2} [\ln(a)]^2 + O(\lambda^2) \right\} \rightarrow \frac{3\Gamma(\frac{3}{4})H^4}{8\pi^2\Gamma(\frac{1}{4})}$

- Replace Heisenberg field equation for Φ with Langevin equation for φ

- $\partial_\mu [\sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu \Phi] = \sqrt{-g} V'(\Phi) \rightarrow 3H(\dot{\varphi} - \dot{\varphi}_0) = -V'(\varphi)$

- "Stochastic jitter" $\varphi_0(t, \vec{x}) \equiv \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \theta(k-H)\theta(Ha-k) \left\{ \frac{H}{\sqrt{2k^3}} e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} \alpha(\vec{k}) + \frac{H}{\sqrt{2k^3}} e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} \alpha^\dagger(\vec{k}) \right\}$

- Correlators of $\varphi(t, \vec{x})$ produce the same leading logs as $\Phi(t, \vec{x})$ to ALL ORDERS

- Can also get late time limit when one is approached $\rightarrow \rho(t) \rightarrow \frac{3\Gamma(\frac{3}{4})H^4}{8\pi^2\Gamma(\frac{1}{4})}$

- Integrate to Yang-Feldman Equation, IR truncate, then differentiate

- $\Phi(t, \vec{x}) = \Phi_0(t, \vec{x}) - \int d^4x' \sqrt{-g(t', \vec{x}')} i\theta(t-t') [\Phi_0(t, \vec{x}), \Phi_0(t', \vec{x}')] V'(\Phi(t, \vec{x}))$

- $\Phi_0(t, \vec{x}) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \left\{ u(t, k) e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} \alpha(\vec{k}) + u^*(t, k) e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} \alpha^\dagger(\vec{k}) \right\}$

- Every Φ_0 must contribute an IR log to reach leading logarithm \rightarrow can IR truncate Φ_0 to φ_0

- Differentiating gives Starobinsky's Langevin equation!

- Derivative interactions prevent some Φ_0 's from contributing an IR log

- Fundamental interaction of GR is $\sqrt{16\pi G} \times h\partial h\partial h$

Applying it to Nonlinear Sigma Models on de Sitter

- Single Field Model (unit S-matrix but interesting background & kinematics)

- $\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \Phi\right)^2 \partial_\mu \Phi \partial_\nu \Phi g^{\mu\nu} \sqrt{-g}$

- $\frac{\delta S}{\delta \Phi} = \left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \Phi\right) \partial_\mu \left[\left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \Phi\right) \sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu \Phi \right] = 0$

- Integrate out differentiated fields in constant background from interaction

- $\Phi(x) = \Phi_0 \rightarrow \langle \Omega | \Phi(x) \Phi(x') | \Omega \rangle = \frac{i\Delta(x;x')}{\left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \Phi_0\right)^2}$

- $-V'_{\text{eff}}(\Phi_0) \sqrt{-g} \equiv \left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \Phi_0\right) \partial_\mu \left[\frac{\lambda}{4} \sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu \langle \Omega | \Phi^2 | \Omega \rangle \right] \rightarrow \frac{3\lambda H^4}{16\pi^2} \frac{\sqrt{-g}}{1 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \Phi_0}$

- $V_{\text{eff}}(\Phi) = \frac{3H^4}{8\pi^2} \ln \left| 1 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \Phi \right|$ a scalar potential model! \rightarrow use Starobinsky

- $\left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \Phi\right) \partial_\mu \left[\left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \Phi\right) \sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu \Phi \right] = -V'_{\text{eff}}(\Phi) \sqrt{-g} \rightarrow 3H(\dot{\phi} - \dot{\phi}_0) = -\frac{V'_{\text{eff}}(\phi)}{\left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \phi\right)^2}$

- VEV shows “classical” roll-down accelerated by stochastic jitter

- $\langle \Omega | \Phi | \Omega \rangle = \frac{2}{\lambda} \left\{ \left[1 - \frac{\lambda^2 H^2}{8\pi^2} \ln(a) \right]^{1/4} - 1 \right\} - \frac{3\lambda^3 H^4}{2^8 \pi^4} \ln(a)^2 + O(\lambda^5)$

Large Logarithms in Nonlinear Sigma Models

Stochastic and Renormalization Group

Single Field Model

Quantity	Leading Logarithms
$u_\Phi(\eta, k)$	$\left\{1 + \frac{\lambda^2 H^2}{32\pi^2} \ln(a) + O(\lambda^4)\right\} \times \frac{H}{\sqrt{2k^3}}$
$P_\Phi(\eta, r)$	$\left\{1 + \frac{\lambda^2 H^2}{32\pi^2} \ln(a) + O(\lambda^4)\right\} \times \frac{KH}{4\pi} \ln(Hr)$
$\langle \Omega \Phi(x) \Omega \rangle$	$-\left\{1 + \frac{15\lambda^2 H^2}{64\pi^2} \ln(a) + O(\lambda^4)\right\} \times \frac{\lambda H^2}{16\pi^2} \ln(a)$
$\langle \Omega \Phi^2(x) \Omega \rangle_{\text{ren}}$	$\left\{1 + \frac{15\lambda^2 H^2}{64\pi^2} \ln(a) + O(\lambda^4)\right\} \times \frac{H^2}{4\pi^2} \ln(a)$

Double Field Model

Quantity	Leading Logarithms
$u_A(\eta, k)$	$\left\{1 - \frac{\lambda^2 H^2}{32\pi^2} \ln(a) + O(\lambda^4)\right\} \times \frac{H}{\sqrt{2k^3}}$
$u_B(\eta, k)$	$\left\{1 + 0 + O(\lambda^4)\right\} \times \frac{H}{\sqrt{2k^3}}$
$P_A(\eta, r)$	$\left\{1 - \frac{\lambda^2 H^2}{32\pi^2} \ln(a) + \frac{\lambda^2 H^2}{32\pi^2} \ln(Hr) + O(\lambda^4)\right\} \times \frac{KH}{4\pi} \ln(Hr)$
$P_B(\eta, r)$	$\left\{1 - \frac{\lambda^2 H^2}{32\pi^2} \ln(Hr) + O(\lambda^4)\right\} \times \frac{KH}{4\pi} \ln(Hr)$
$\langle \Omega A(x) \Omega \rangle$	$\left\{1 + \frac{\lambda^2 H^2}{64\pi^2} \ln(a) + O(\lambda^4)\right\} \times \frac{\lambda H^2}{16\pi^2} \ln(a)$
$\langle \Omega A^2(x) \Omega \rangle_{\text{ren}}$	$\left\{1 - \frac{\lambda^2 H^2}{64\pi^2} \ln(a) + O(\lambda^4)\right\} \times \frac{H^2}{4\pi^2} \ln(a)$
$\langle \Omega B(x) \Omega \rangle$	0
$\langle \Omega B^2(x) \Omega \rangle_{\text{ren}}$	$\left\{1 + \frac{3\lambda^2 H^2}{32\pi^2} \ln(a) + O(\lambda^4)\right\} \times \frac{H^2}{4\pi^2} \ln(a)$

Facilitating the Stochastic Formalism

- Need coincident free propagator & 2 derivatives for cosmology
 - $A(t) \equiv i\Delta(x; x)$, $B_\mu(t) \equiv \partial_\mu i\Delta(x; x')_{x'=x}$, $C_{\mu\nu}(t) \equiv \partial_\mu \partial'_\nu i\Delta(x; x')_{x'=x}$
 - $ds^2 = -dt^2 + a^2(t)d\vec{x} \cdot d\vec{x}$ (primordial inflation) $H(t) \equiv \frac{\dot{a}}{a}$, $\epsilon(t) \equiv -\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2}$
- Single scalar model $\rightarrow V_{\text{eff}}(\Phi) = -\frac{1}{2}\square A \times \ln\left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2}\Phi\right)$
 - Can at least solve numerically provided $A(t)$ is known
- Get everything from $A(t)$
 - $B_\mu(t) = \frac{1}{2}\partial_\mu A(t)$
 - $g^{\mu\nu}C_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2}\square A$ & other independent component from conservation

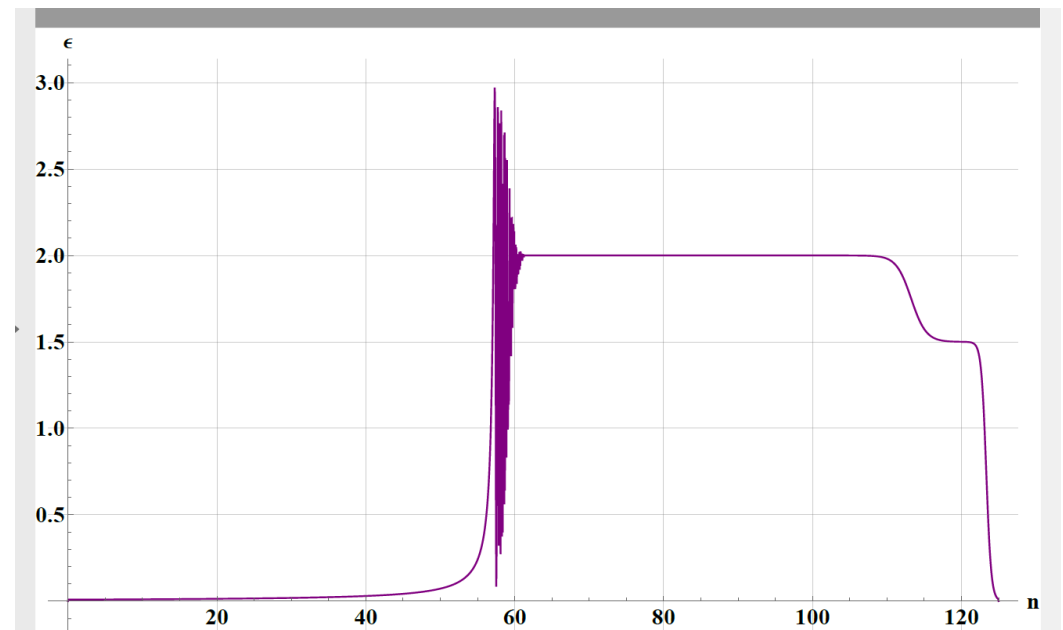
Develop analytic approximations

Assuming primordial inflation

Typically three epochs

- “Inflation” ($0 < \epsilon < 1$)
 - Starts at t_i & stops at t_e
 - E-folding: $n \equiv \ln\left[\frac{a(t)}{a(t_i)}\right]$
- “Reheating”
 - $\epsilon(t)$ oscillates between 0 & 3
 - With increasing frequency
- “Hot Big Bang”
 - $\epsilon(t) = 2$ (Radiation domination)
 - $\epsilon(t) \cong 1.5$ (Matter domination)
 - $\epsilon(t) < 1$ (Late acceleration)

Typical history of $\epsilon(t)$ versus n



Fourier Mode Sum for $A(t)$ using $\mathcal{A}(t, k)$

- Mode function $u(t, k)$
 - $\ddot{u} + (D - 1)H\dot{u} + \frac{k^2}{a^2}u = 0$, $u\dot{u}^* - \dot{u}u^* = \frac{i}{a^{D-1}}$
- Amplitude $\mathcal{A}(t, k) \equiv |u(t, k)|^2 \rightarrow A(t) = \int \frac{d^{D-1}k}{(2\pi)^{D-1}} \mathcal{A}(t, k)$
 - $\ddot{\mathcal{A}} - \frac{\dot{\mathcal{A}}^2}{2\mathcal{A}} + (D - 1)H\dot{\mathcal{A}} + \frac{2k^2}{a^2}\mathcal{A} - \frac{1}{2a^{2D-2}\mathcal{A}} = 0$ with $\mathcal{A}(t, k) \rightarrow \frac{1}{2ka^{D-2}}$ for UV
- $\int \frac{d^D k}{(2\pi)^{D-1}} = \frac{2}{\Gamma(\frac{D-1}{2})(4\pi)^{(D-1)/2}} \int_{k_i}^{\infty} dk k^{D-2}$
 - $k_i \equiv a(t_i)H(t_i) \rightarrow$ initially super-horizon modes not amplified
- During Inflation: $\int_{k_i}^{\infty} dk k^{D-2} \mathcal{A} = \int_{aH}^{\infty} dk (UV) + \int_{k_i}^{aH} dk (1^{\text{st}} \text{ crossing})$
- After: $\int_{k_i}^{\infty} dk k^{D-2} \mathcal{A} = \int_{k_e}^{\infty} dk (UV) + \int_{aH}^{k_e} dk (2^{\text{nd}} \text{ crossing}) + \int_{k_i}^{aH} dk (1^{\text{st}} \text{ crossing})$
 - 1st crossing at $t \rightarrow$ 2nd crossing at $t_2(t)$
 - 2nd crossing at $t \rightarrow$ 1st crossing at $t_1(t)$

UV Expansion & 1st Crossing Form

Analytic Forms are nearly perfect
& transition is sharp

Yellow = Numerical, Blue = UV expansion,
Green = 1st Crossing Form

- UV Expansion

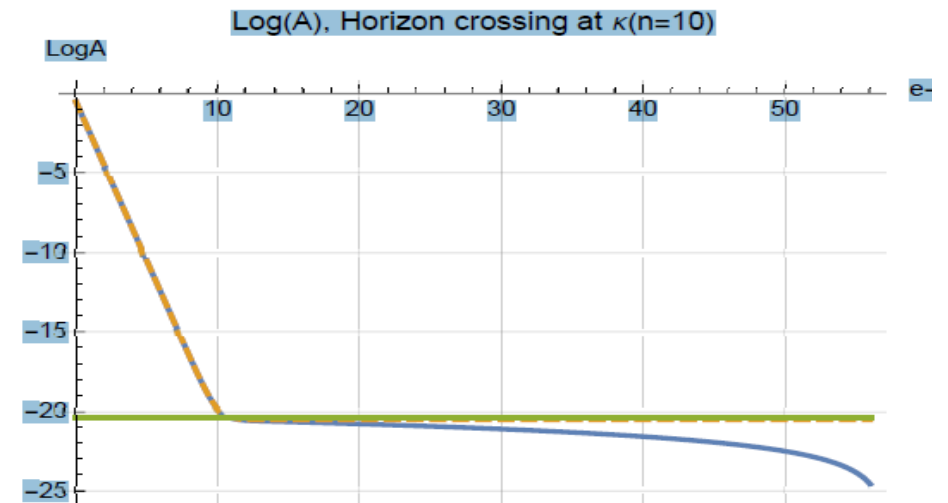
- $$\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2ka^{D-2}} \left\{ 1 + \frac{(D-2)(D-2\epsilon)}{8} \frac{a^2 H^2}{k^2} + O\left(\frac{a^4 H^4}{k^4}\right) \right\}$$

- Form after 1st Crossing $k \equiv a(t_k)H(t_k)$

- $$\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \frac{H^2(t_k)C(\epsilon(t_k))}{2k^3}$$

- $$C(\epsilon) \equiv \frac{1}{\pi} \Gamma^2\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{1-\epsilon}\right) [2(1-\epsilon)]^{\frac{1}{1-\epsilon}}$$

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Form after 2nd Crossing

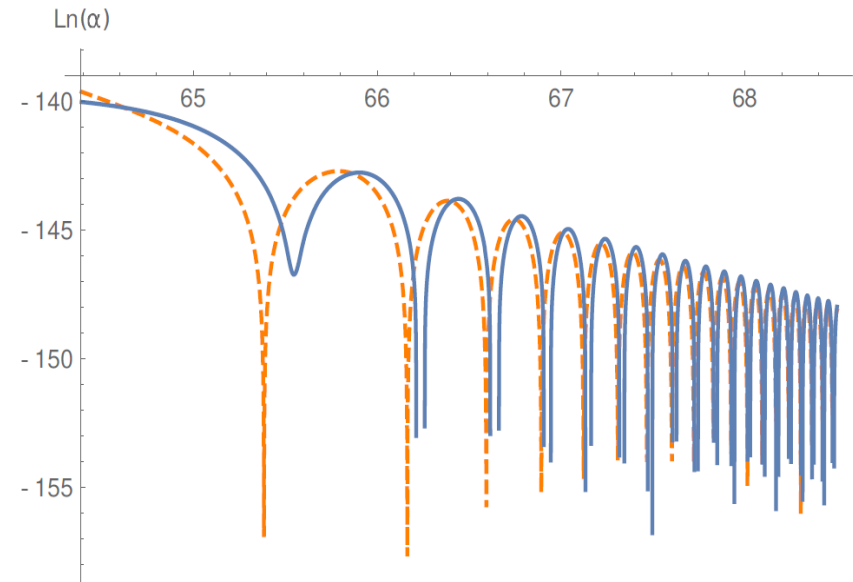
Analytic form

$$\bullet \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \frac{H^2(t_k)C(\epsilon(t_k))}{2k^3} \times \left[\frac{a(t_2(t))}{a(t)} \right]^2 \times \cos^2 \left[\int_{t_2(t)}^t dt' \frac{k}{a(t')} \right]$$

- Comparison good except near $t_2(t_k)$
- $\cos^2 \sim \frac{1}{2}$ inside an integral

Blue=Numerical

Yellow dashed = Analytic



Use dimensional regularization for UV
 Take $D = 4$ & convert $\int dk$ to $\int dt$ for IR

- $k = a(t_k)H(t_k) \rightarrow \frac{dk}{k} = (1 - \epsilon)Hdt$

- During inflation

- $A(t) \cong -\frac{1}{8} \left(\frac{D-2}{D-4} \right) \frac{(D-2\epsilon)H^{D-2}}{\Gamma\left(\frac{D-1}{2}\right)(4\pi)^{\frac{D-1}{2}}} - \frac{H^2}{8\pi^2} + \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \int_{t_i}^t dt' H^3(t') [1 - \epsilon(t')] C(\epsilon(t'))$

- 1st term $\equiv A_{\text{div}}(t)$ could be absorbed by conformal counterterm

- After inflation

- $A(t) \cong A_{\text{div}} - \frac{(2-\epsilon)H^2}{8\pi^2} \ln\left(\frac{k_e}{aH}\right) - \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \left(\frac{k_e}{a}\right)^2$
 $+ \frac{1}{8\pi^2 a^2} \int_t^{t_e} dt' [\epsilon(t') - 1] H(t') a^2(t') \times H^2(t_1(t')) C(\epsilon(t_1(t')))$
 $+ \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \int_t^{t_2(t_i)} dt' [\epsilon(t') - 1] H(t') \times H^2(t_1(t')) C(\epsilon(t_1(t')))$

Conclusions

- Graviton loops on de Sitter give factors of $\ln(a)$
 - We finally have a way of summing these up
 - And propagating them to arbitrarily late times
- Radiation domination $\rightarrow H(t) = \frac{1}{2t}$ & $a^2 H$ is constant
 - A_{fin} dominated by $\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \int_t^{t_2} dt' (\epsilon - 1) H(t') \times H^2(t_1) C(\epsilon(t_1)) \cong \ln(t) \times H_{\text{inf}}^2$
- Large inflationary scales transmitted to late times
 - Generically $\square A_{\text{fin}} \rightarrow H_{\text{inf}}^2 \times H^2(t)$
- Lessons for building nonlocal models of cosmology
 - $\square A_{\text{fin}}$ is some nonlocal scalar, but not simple
 - Form for general $a(t)$ enough for cosmology, but not gravitational force

