

Warm inflation and the primordial spectrum

Inflation & CMB

Cold inflation/ Warm inflation

Primordial spectrum from warm inflation:
Dissipation + shear viscosity

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Expanding Universe

Flatness problem

$$\Omega_T = 1 \Rightarrow \Omega_T(t_{\text{nucl}}) - 1 \approx 10^{-16}$$

Horizon problem

The observable Universe was larger than the **particle horizon** at LSS

Inflation

Early period of accelerated expansion

$$\ddot{a} > 0: \quad P < -\rho/3$$

Super-horizon perturbations?

Too small sub-horizon
(**causal**) perturbations

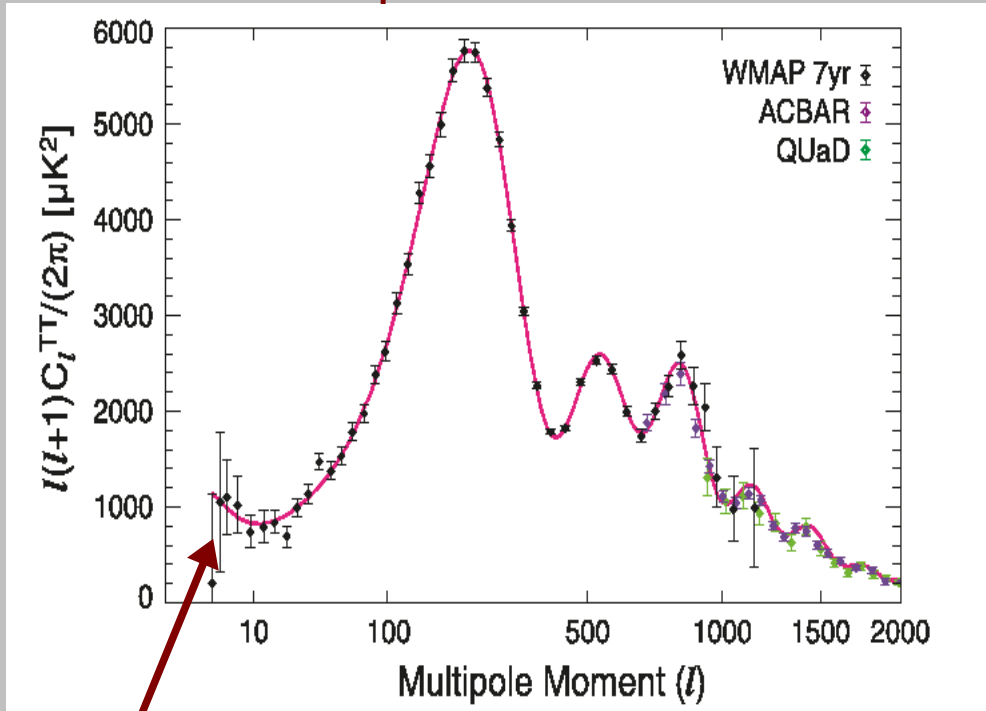
Unwanted relics

monopoles, moduli, gravitinos,...

Starobinsky '80; Guth PRD23 '81; Albrecht, Steinhardt PRL48 '82; Linde PLB108 '82

Cosmic Microwave Background Radiation

WMAP: astro-ph/1001.4538



Parameter	WMAP-year	WMAP+BAO+H ₀ Mean
$\Delta_R^2(k_0^a)$	$(2.43 \pm 0.11) \times 10^{-9}$	$(2.441^{+0.088}_{-0.092}) \times 10^{-9}$
n_s	0.963 ± 0.014	0.963 ± 0.012
Gravitational Wave	$r < 0.20$	$r < 0.24$
Tensors?		
Running Index (r=0)	$-0.084 < dn_s/d \ln k < 0.020$	$-0.061 < dn_s/d \ln k < 0.017$
Gaussianity: Local	$-10 < f_{NL}^{local} < 74$	Gaussian?
Gaussianity: Equilateral	$-214 < f_{NL}^{equil} < 266$	
Gaussianity: Orthogonal	$-410 < f_{NL}^{orthog} < 6$	

^a $k_0 = 0.002 \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$.

Largest observable scale $O(3000 \text{ Mpc})$:

Primordial spectrum: ~adiabatic, scale-invariant, gaussian

$$P_R = \Delta_R^2(k_0) \left(\frac{k}{k_0} \right)^{n_s - 1}$$

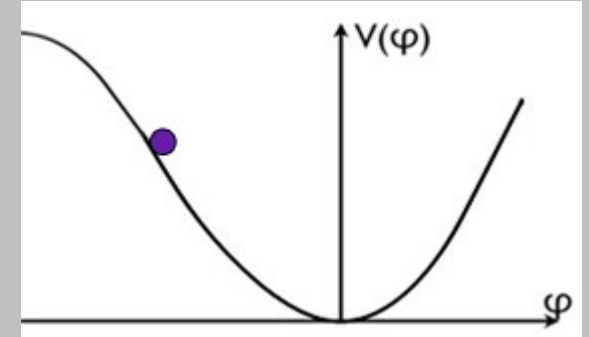
Inflation: **amplitude (input)** **Spectral index (output)** **(R= comoving curvature)**

Slow Roll Inflation

Scalar field rolling down its (flat) potential

$$P = \dot{\phi}^2/2 - V(\phi) \approx -V(\phi) \quad \text{negative pressure}$$

“Flat” potential The curvature and the slope smaller than the (Hubble) expansion rate H



Kinetic energy $\ll$ potential energy $H^2 = V/3m_P^2$

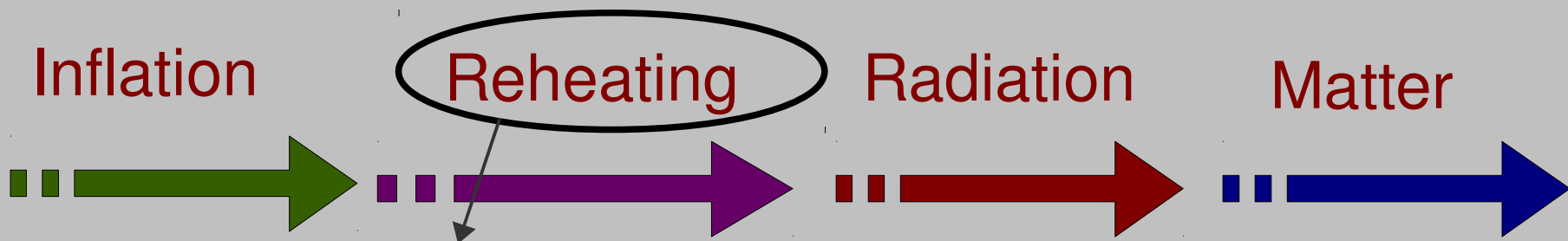
Slow-roll parameters

$$|\eta_\phi| = m_P^2 \left| \frac{V''}{V} \right| < 1$$

curvature

$$\epsilon_\phi = \frac{m_P^2}{2} \left(\frac{V'}{V} \right)^2 < 1$$

slope



Inflaton interacts with other particles

"Cold" inflation

Interactions negligible during Inflation

Reheating

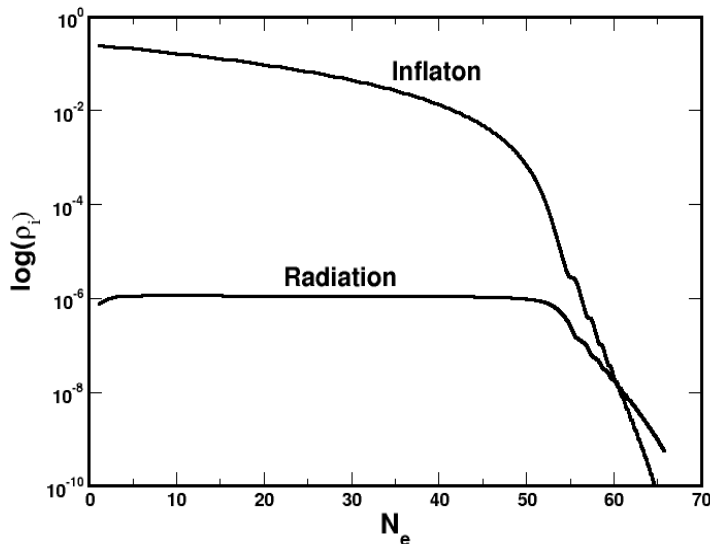


Radiation

"Warm" inflation

Inflaton decay into light d. of f. $\Rightarrow$ "Dissipation" $\Rightarrow$ Radiation

$$\rho = \rho(\phi) + \rho_R, \quad \rho_R \ll \rho(\phi)$$



A (small) fraction of the vacuum energy is converted into radiation during inflation

$$\ddot{\phi} + (3H + \Upsilon)\dot{\phi} + V_\phi = 0$$

$\nearrow$

$$\dot{\rho}_R + 4H\rho_R = \Upsilon \dot{\phi}^2 \quad \text{"Source term"}$$

"Decay" into light dof = extra friction

Extra friction term: $Q = \Upsilon / (3H)$

- $Q \ll 1, T \ll H \quad \longrightarrow$ Standard **Cold Inflation**
- $Q < 1, T > H \quad \longrightarrow$ **Weak Dissipative Regime**

Standard slow-roll: $3H\dot{\phi} \simeq -V_{\phi}, \quad 4H\rho_r \simeq \Upsilon \dot{\phi}^2$

- $Q > 1, T > H \quad \longrightarrow$ **Strong Dissipative Regime**

Slow-roll: $3H(1+Q)\dot{\phi} \simeq -V_{\phi}, \quad 4H\rho_r \simeq \Upsilon \dot{\phi}^2$

$$|\eta_{\phi}| < (1+Q), \quad \epsilon_{\phi} < (1+Q), \quad \beta_{\Upsilon} < (1+Q), \quad \delta_T < 1$$

Larger ϕ mass
(no “ η ” problem)

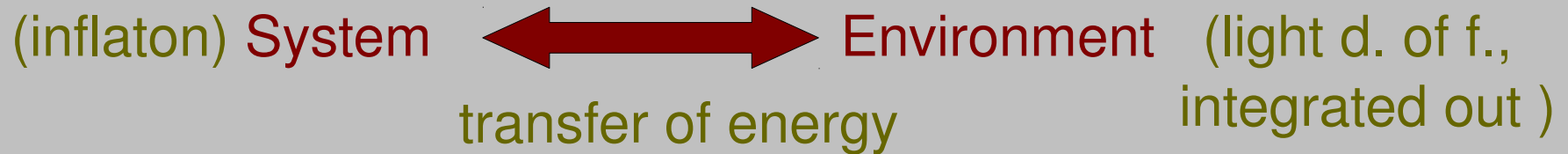
Smaller ϕ values
/ scale of inflation

$$\beta_{\Upsilon} = m_{\text{P}}^2 (\Upsilon_{\phi} V_{\phi}) / (\Upsilon V)$$

$$\delta_T = T V_{T\phi} / V_{\phi}$$

Fluctuations & primordial spectrum

Thermal fluctuations become the source for the adiabatic perturbations



Dissipation Υ

fluctuation force ξ

$$\delta \ddot{\phi}_k + (3H + \Upsilon) \delta \dot{\phi}_k + \dot{\phi} \delta \Upsilon + \left(\frac{k^2}{a^2} + V_{\phi\phi} \right) \delta \phi_k = \xi_k$$

Fluctuation-Dissipation rel.:

$$\langle \xi(k) \xi(k') \rangle = 2(H + \Upsilon) T a^{-3} (2\pi)^3 \delta^{(3)}(k - k') \delta(t - t')$$

Berera & Fang PRL74 (1995); Taylor & Berera PRD62 (2000);
 Oliveira & Joras, PRD64 (2001); Hall, Moss & Berera PRD69 (2004)

Primordial spectrum: $P_R \simeq \left(\frac{H}{\dot{\phi}}\right)^2 P_{\delta\phi}$

R is constant after horizon crossing (freeze-out)

Cold inflation

Warm inflation ($Y(\phi, H)$)

Freeze-out

$$k_F = k/a = H$$

$$k_F = k/a(t_F) > H \quad (\text{extra friction})$$

Field spectrum

$$P_{\delta\phi} \simeq \left(\frac{k_F}{2\pi}\right)^2 \simeq \left(\frac{H_F}{2\pi}\right)^2$$

$$P_{\delta\phi} \simeq \int_{k < k_F} \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{n_B}{\omega_k} \simeq \frac{k_F T}{2\pi^2}$$

Primordial spectrum

$$P_R \simeq \frac{1}{2\epsilon_\phi} \left(\frac{H}{2\pi m_P}\right)^2$$

Thermal spectrum

$$P_R \simeq C(1+Q)^{5/2} \left(\frac{T}{H}\right) (P_R)_{Q=0}$$

Tensor-to-scalar ratio

$$r = \frac{P_T}{P_R} = 16\epsilon_\phi$$

$$r = \frac{4\epsilon_\phi}{\pi(1+Q)^{5/2}} \left(\frac{H}{T}\right) \leq 16\epsilon_\phi$$

Non gaussianity

$$f_{NL} \sim O(\epsilon, \eta)$$

$$|f_{NL}| < 15 \ln(1+Q/14)$$

(Single, canonical field)

Moss & Xiong JCAP 04(2007)

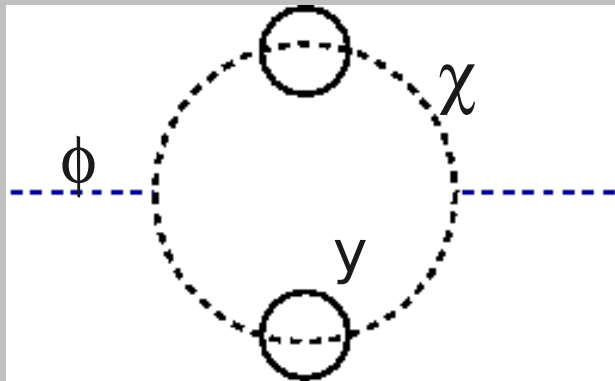
Dissipative coefficient

$$L = \dots - \frac{1}{2} m_\phi^2 \phi^2 - \frac{g^2}{2} \phi^2 \chi^2 + \hbar \chi \psi \bar{\psi} + \dots$$

light fermions

heavy $m_\chi = g\phi > H, T$

Inflaton moves down the potential, it excites χ (massive field), which decays into light dof (thermal bath)



$$\ddot{\phi} + \int d^4 x_1 \underbrace{\Sigma_\phi(x-x_1)}_{\text{self-energy}} \delta \phi(t_1) + V_\phi = 0$$

$$\Upsilon = - \int d^4 x \Sigma_\phi(x) t \quad \text{Dissipative coefficient}$$

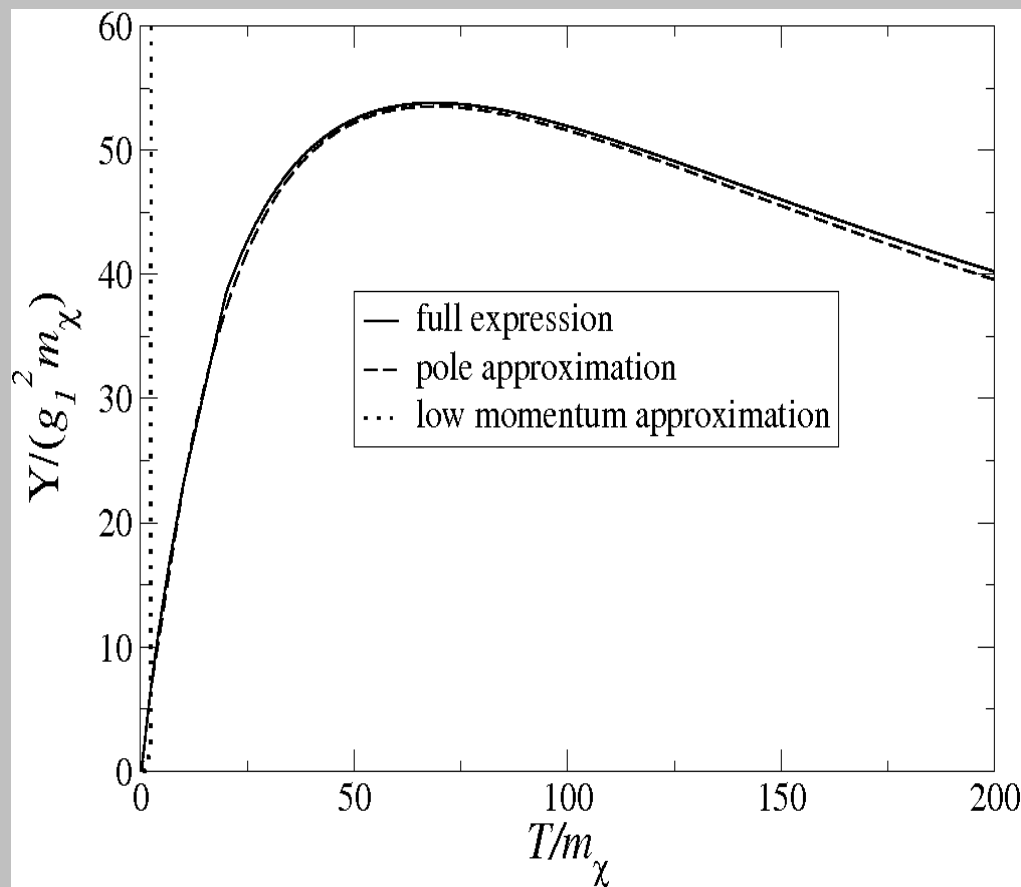
Adiabatic approx.:

$$\dot{\phi}/\phi, H, \dot{T}/T < \Gamma_\chi \simeq \hbar^2 m_\chi / (8\pi)$$

macroscopic

microscopic

Dissipative (T-dependent) coefficient (Adiabatic, close-to-equilibrium approx.)



$$\underline{T/H > 1}$$

$$Y \propto T^3 / \phi^2 \quad \text{Low } T, m_\chi/T > 10$$

$$Y \propto T \quad \text{High } T, m_\chi/T < 1$$

$$Y \propto T^{-1} \quad \text{Very high } T, m_\chi/T \ll 1$$

$$\text{General: } Y \propto \left(\frac{T}{\phi}\right)^c \phi \quad c=-1,0,1,3$$

Dissipation & Viscosity

- The radiation bath is expected to depart from a perfect fluid due to particle production

(u_σ =fluid flow velocity)

$$T^{\mu\nu} = (\rho + p)u^\mu u^\nu + p g^{\mu\nu} + \pi_b (u^\mu u^\nu + g^{\mu\nu}) + \pi^{\mu\nu}$$

Adiabatic pressure

Bulk vis.

Shear vis.

$$p \sim T^4,$$

$$\pi_b \simeq -3\zeta_b \theta$$

$$\pi_{\mu\nu} \simeq -2\zeta_s \sigma_{\mu\nu}$$

(θ =expansion rate) ($\sigma_{\mu\nu}$ =shear)

- Bulk vis. can affect both background & fluctuations dynamics $\pi_b < 0$
- More e-folds of inflation -Few percent effect on the primordial spectrum

Mimoso, Nunes, Pavón PRD73 '06; Del Campo, Herrera, Pavón PRD75 '07;
Del Campo et al. 1007.0103

- Shear vis. enters in the EOM for the fluctuations

Light fields: $\zeta_b(T) \ll \zeta_s(T) \propto T^3$

Jeon & Yaffe PRD53 ('96)

We have set $\pi_b = 0$

Gauge invariant Fluctuations at linear order

Field	$\delta \phi$	$\delta \phi^{\text{Gl}} = \delta \phi - (\dot{\phi}/H) \varphi$
Energy density	$\delta \rho_r$	$\delta \rho_r^{\text{Gl}} = \delta \rho_r - (\dot{\rho}_r/H) \varphi$
Momentum	Ψ_r	$\Psi_r^{\text{Gl}} = \Psi_r - (\rho_r + p_r/H) \varphi$
Dissipation	δY	$\delta Y^{\text{Gl}} = \delta Y - (\dot{Y}/H) \varphi$
Curvature Perturbation	φ	$R = -\frac{H}{\rho_T + p_T} \Psi_T$

Comoving curvature Perturbation

Primordial spectrum: $P_R = \frac{k^3}{2\pi^2} \langle |R_k|^2 \rangle_\xi$ ($\langle \dots \rangle$: average over noise realizations)

Evolution equations at linear order

Field EOM:

$$\delta \ddot{\phi}_k^{\text{Gl}} + (3H + \Upsilon) \delta \dot{\phi}_k^{\text{Gl}} + \underline{\dot{\phi} \delta \Upsilon^{\text{Gl}}} + \left(\frac{k^2}{a^2} + V_{\phi\phi} \right) \delta \phi_k^{\text{Gl}} \simeq (2(\Upsilon + H)T)^{1/2} \hat{\xi}_k$$

Radiation:

$$\delta \dot{\rho}_r^{\text{Gl}} + 4H \delta \rho_r^{\text{Gl}} \simeq \frac{k^2}{a^2} \Psi_r^{\text{Gl}} + \underline{\dot{\phi}^2 \delta \Upsilon^{\text{Gl}}} + 2\dot{\phi} \Upsilon \delta \dot{\phi}^{\text{Gl}}$$

Shear parameter

$$\dot{\Psi}_r^{\text{Gl}} + 3H \left(1 + \frac{k^2}{a^2 H^2} \bar{\zeta}_s \right) \Psi_r^{\text{Gl}} \simeq -\delta \rho_r^{\text{Gl}} / 3 - \dot{\phi} \Upsilon \delta \phi^{\text{Gl}}$$

$$\left(\bar{\zeta}_s = \frac{4}{9} \frac{\zeta_s H}{\rho_r + p_r} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{\delta \Upsilon^{\text{Gl}} = \frac{c}{4} \frac{\delta \rho_r^{\text{Gl}}}{\rho_r} + (1 - c) \frac{\delta \phi^{\text{Gl}}}{\phi}}$$

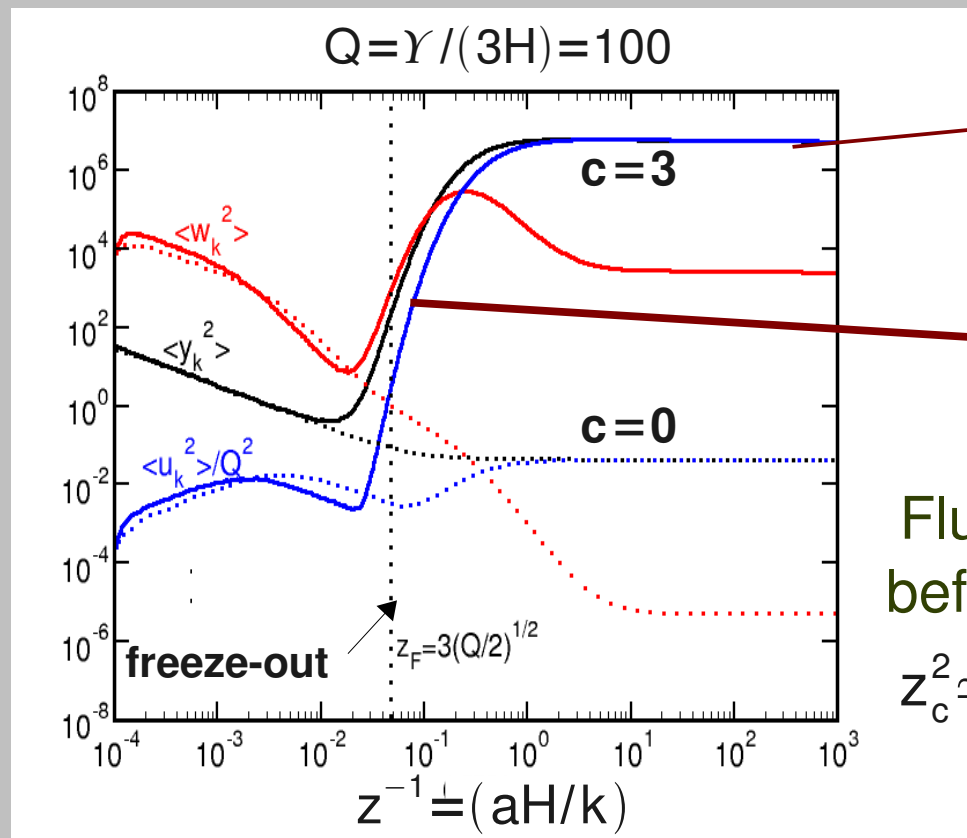
$\rightarrow$ Coupled system

Primordial spectrum: no shear

$$y_k = \frac{k^{3/2} \delta \phi^{\text{GI}}}{(2(\gamma + H)T)^{1/2}}$$

$$w_k = \frac{k^{3/2} \delta \rho_r^{\text{GI}}}{(2(\gamma + H)T)^{1/2} \gamma \dot{\phi}}$$

$$u_k = \frac{k^{3/2} \Psi^{\text{GI}}}{(2(\gamma + H)T)^{1/2} \dot{\phi}}$$



$$\Psi_r \simeq Q \Psi_\phi$$

Growing mode !

Fluctuations coupled before freeze-out:

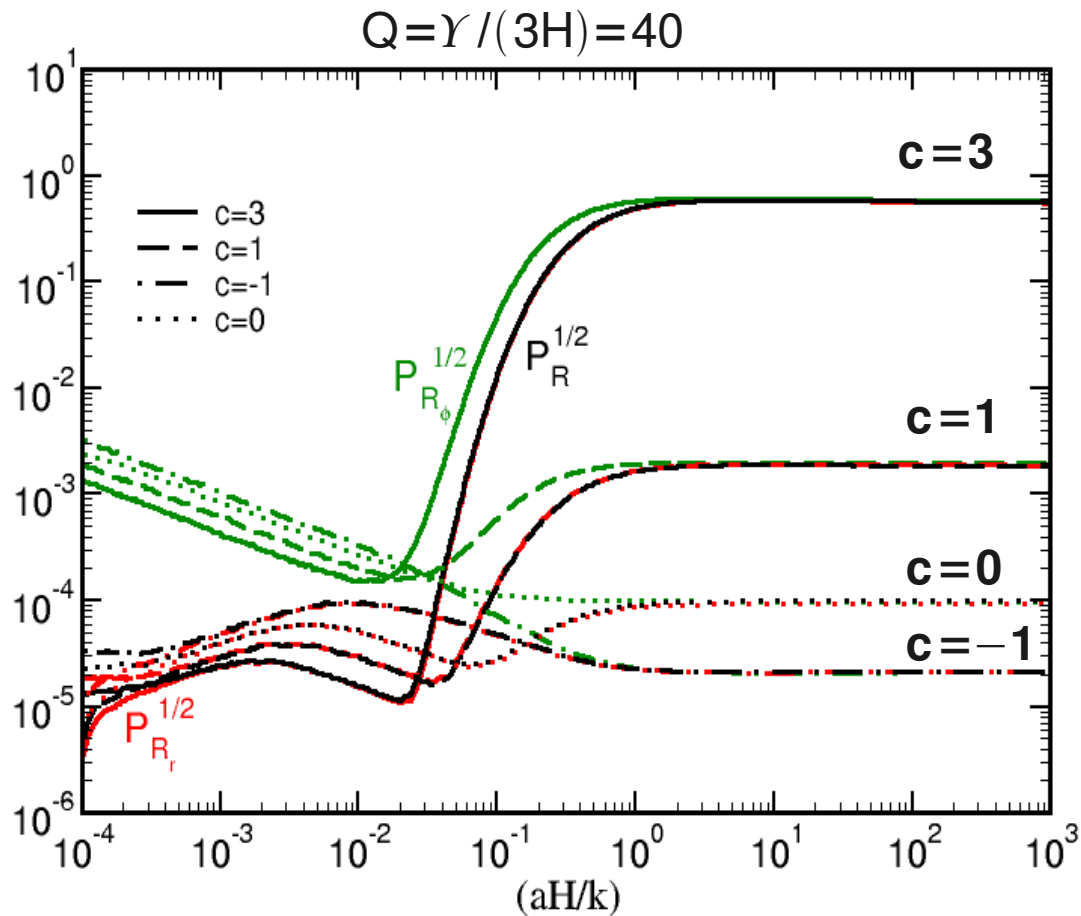
$$z_c^2 \simeq 18 Q c > z_F^2 = 9Q/4$$

$$\mathbf{c=0:} \quad \langle y_k^2 \rangle_0 = \frac{\sqrt{3\pi}}{4} \frac{\sqrt{1+Q}}{1+3Q} \propto Q^{-1/2}$$

$$\mathbf{c>0:} \quad \langle y_k^2 \rangle_c \propto Q^{(5c-1)/2}$$

Graham & Moss JCAP 07(2009); MBG, Berera & Ramos JCAP 07 (2011)

Primordial spectrum: no shear



$$P_R = \frac{h_\phi}{h_T} P_{R_\phi} + \frac{h_r}{h_T} P_{R_r} \simeq P_{R_r} \simeq P_{R_\phi}$$

$$h_\phi = \rho_\phi + p_\phi = \dot{\phi}^2 \ll h_r \simeq Q h_\phi$$

$$P_R \sim P_R(c=0) \times (1+Q)^{\frac{5c}{2}}$$

$Q < 1$: no enhancement of the spectrum ($z_c > z_F$)

$Q > 1$: too large amplitude $\Rightarrow$ smaller inflationary scale
 $\Rightarrow r \ll 1$

spectral index:

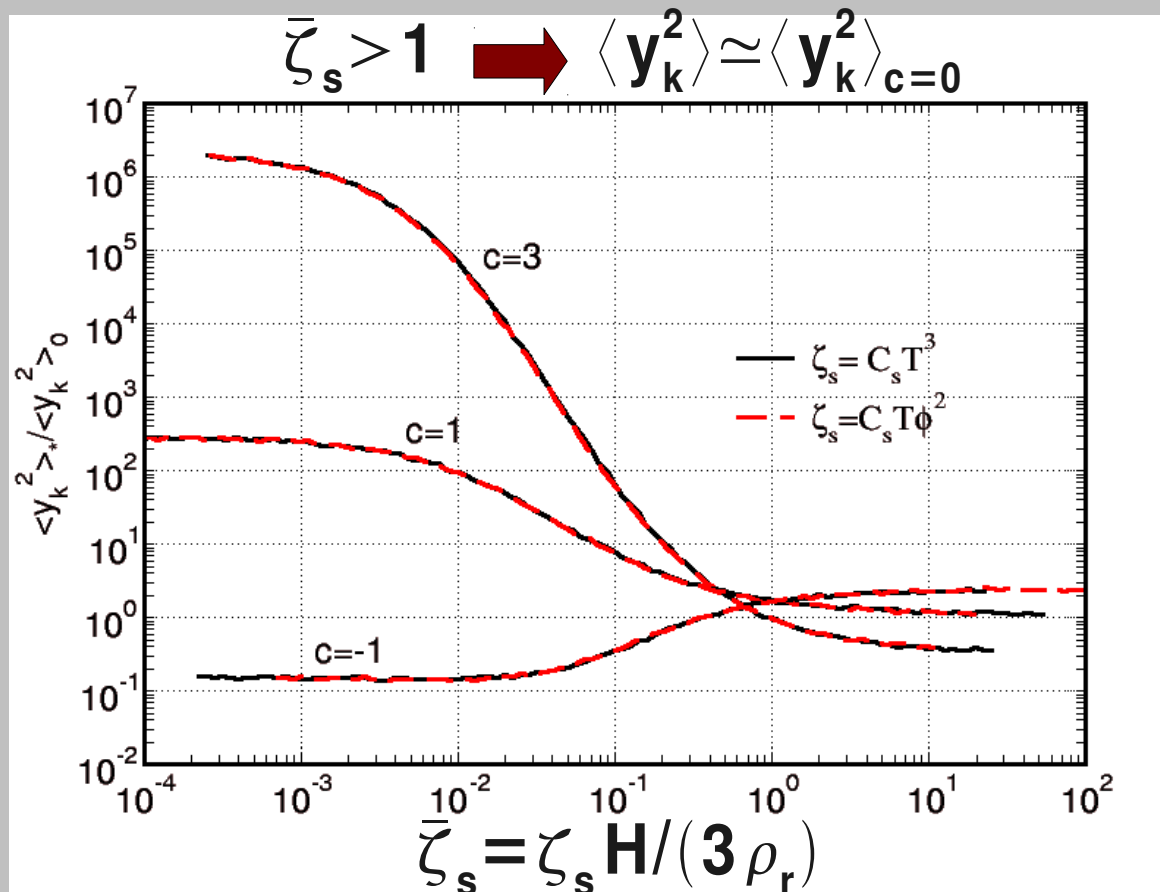
$$n_s - 1 = \frac{d \ln P_R}{d N_e} = (n_s - 1)_{c=0} + \frac{5c}{2} d \ln Q / d N_e \quad \Rightarrow \quad n_s > 1 ? (dQ/dN_e > 0)$$

Blue tilted ?

Primordial spectrum: shear effects

Shear tends to damp the growth of the radiation fluctuations (before freeze-out), and therefore that of the field

$$\dot{\Psi}_r^{\text{Gl}} + 3H\left(1 + \frac{k^2}{a^2 H^2} \bar{\zeta}_s\right) \Psi_r^{\text{Gl}} \simeq -\delta \rho_r^{\text{Gl}}/3 - \dot{\phi} Y \delta \phi^{\text{Gl}}$$



- Independent of the shear T dependence

-Susy models:

$$Y \simeq 0.1 g^4 N_\chi N_\sigma^2 T^3 / \phi^2$$

$$\zeta_s \simeq 127 N_\sigma T^3 / g^4$$

$$\bar{\zeta}_s > 1 \Rightarrow g^4 < 69 H / T$$

Primordial spectrum: shear effects

$$P_R \sim P_R(c=0) F_Q[Q]^{F_s[\bar{\zeta}_s]}, \quad F_Q[Q] \propto Q^{5c/2}$$

- Spectral index:

$$n_s - 1 = (n_s - 1)_{c=0} + \Delta n_s[\bar{\zeta}_s]$$

$$\Delta n_s[\bar{\zeta}_s] \simeq \frac{5c}{14Q} F_s[\bar{\zeta}] (A_s \epsilon_\phi + B_s \eta_\phi) \quad (Q > 1)$$

- Chaotic (monomial) potential: $V \propto \phi^p \Rightarrow \Delta n_s[\bar{\zeta}_s] > 0$

- Hybrid (quadratic) potential: $V \simeq V_0 \left(1 + \eta_\phi \left(\frac{\phi}{m_p} \right)^2 \right) \Rightarrow \Delta n_s[\bar{\zeta}_s] < 0$

$$c=3, \quad F_s[\bar{\zeta}_s] \simeq 1/3, \quad Q > 40 \Rightarrow n_s \simeq 1$$

- Hybrid (log) potential: $V \simeq V_0 \left(1 + \gamma \ln \left(\frac{\phi}{m_p} \right) \right) \Rightarrow \Delta n_s[\bar{\zeta}_s] > 0$

Summary

Dissipative effects due to decaying fields can be relevant during inflation, and modify the inflationary predictions (warm inflation)

For a T dependent dissipative coefficient, the field and radiation perturbation EOM form a coupled system

The radiation backreacts on the field perturbations, and the field fluctuations are amplified before freeze-out. The larger the dissipation, the larger the growth

$$P_R \sim P_R(c=0) \times (1+Q)^{(5c-1)/2}$$

This can be counterbalanced by the dissipative effects within the radiation fluid (shear viscous pressure)

$$P_R \sim P_R(c=0) \text{ when } \bar{\zeta}_s \geq 1 \quad (\text{freeze-out value, model independent})$$