

Post-inflationary magnetogenesis

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Fujita, RN, Tada, Takeda & Tashiro, JCAP 1505 (2015) 05, 054 [arXiv:1503.05802]

Fujita & RN, *soon to appear*



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Observed large-scale magnetic fields

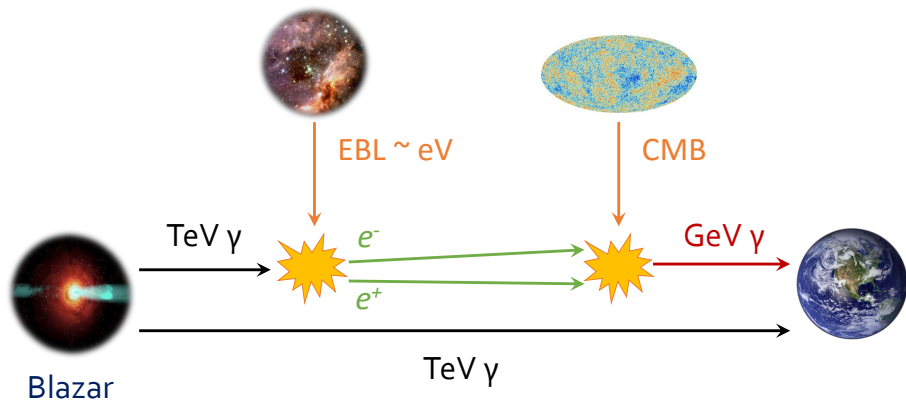
Large-scale magnetic field observed

- ◇ **Galactic scale** $\sim$ kpc: $10^{-6} - 10^{-5} \text{G}$
- ◇ **Extragalactic scales** $\sim$ Mpc: $B_{\text{eff}}^{\text{obs}} \gtrsim 10^{-17} \text{G}$
 - ▷ **Blazar TeV-GeV γ ray observation**

Neronov & Vovk '10, Essey et al. '11, Takahashi et al. '13

Observational method for extragalactic $\vec{B}$

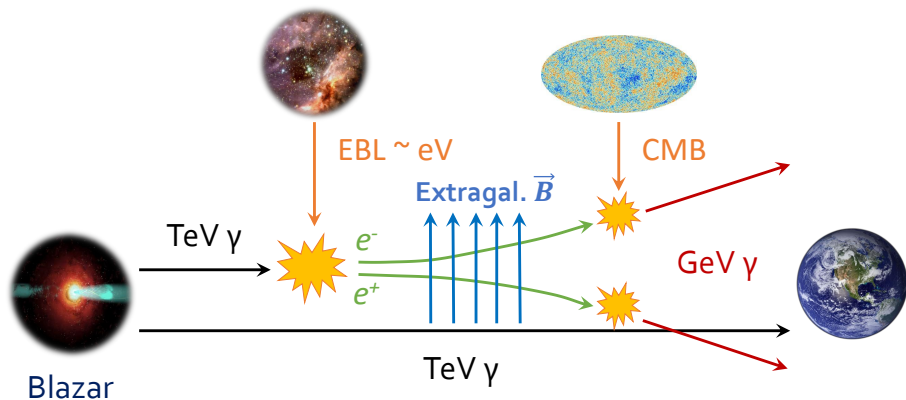
No magnetic fields



Observe both $\text{TeV} + \text{GeV } \gamma$ rays

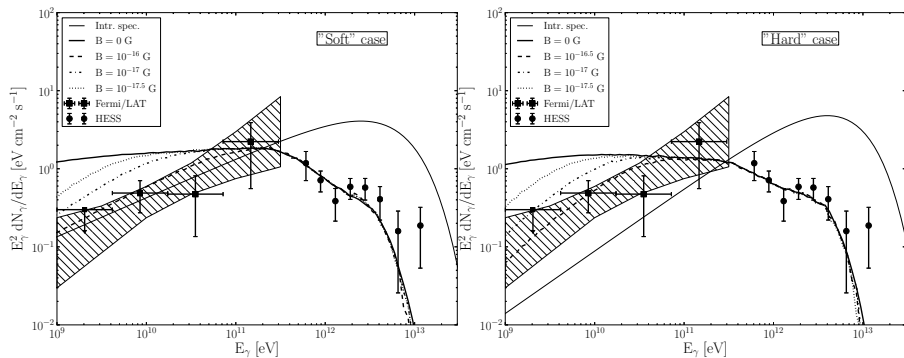
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Magnetic fields are present



Observe $\text{TeV } \gamma$ rays, lack of $\text{GeV } \gamma$ rays

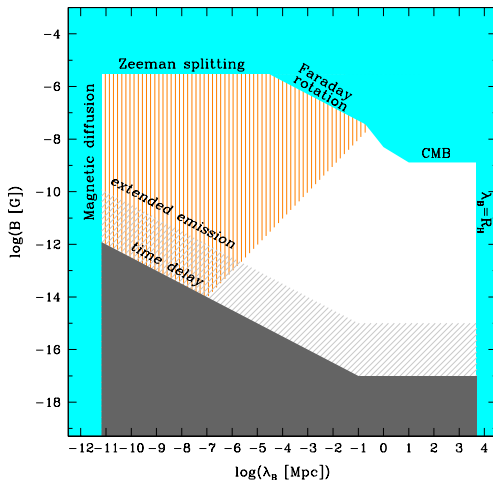
Spectrum of blazar photons



Vovk et al. '12

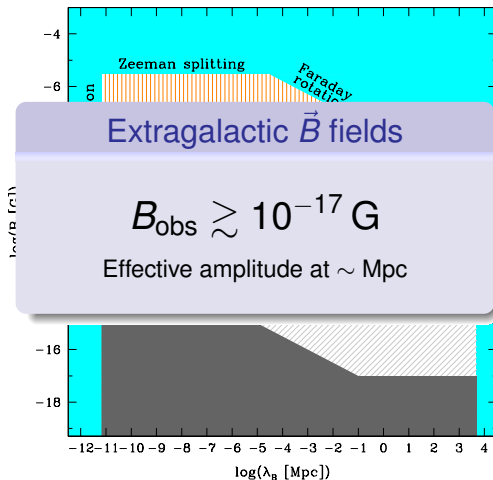
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Taylor, Vovk & Neronov '11



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Cosmological origins

Free EM photon is *conformally* coupled to FRW metric

◇ EoM: $(\partial_\tau^2 + k^2) \vec{A} = 0$ – no effects from expansion, **no production**

◇ Several mechanisms have been proposed

▷ Cosmological phase transition

Vachaspati '91 , Enqvist & Olsen '93

▷ Second-order perturbation theory

Matarrese et al. '04, Ichiki et al. '07, Maeda et al. '09, Fenu et al. '11, Saga et al. '15

◇ **Inflationary magnetic field production**

Turner & Widrow '88, Ratra '92, Bamba & Yokoyama '04, Martin & Yokoyama '08, Kunze '10, ...

Most studied model

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{I^2(a)}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \quad \text{Ratra '91}$$

- Time dependence of $I(a)$ breaks conformal inv.

Difficulties in large-scale magnetogenesis

$\vec{B}$ field spectrum in *IFF* model

$$\frac{d\langle B^2 \rangle}{d\ln k} \sim H^4 \left(\frac{k}{aH} \right)^{5-2|n-\frac{1}{2}|}, \quad I \propto a^{-n}$$

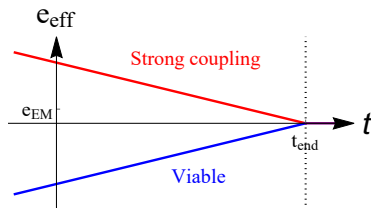
1 Strong coupling problem

Demozzi, Mukhanov & Rubinstein '09

$$\diamond \vec{A}_c = I \vec{A}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{A\psi\psi} = e \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu A_\mu \psi = \frac{e}{I} \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu A_{c,\mu} \psi$$

$$\diamond \text{ needs } I \gtrsim 1 \text{ at all times} \Leftrightarrow n > 0$$



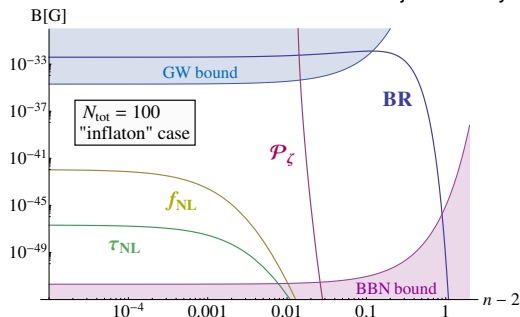
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- ◇ However, $\rho_E \gg \rho_B$
- ◇ ρ_E **back-reacts to inflationary dynamics and curvature perturbations !**

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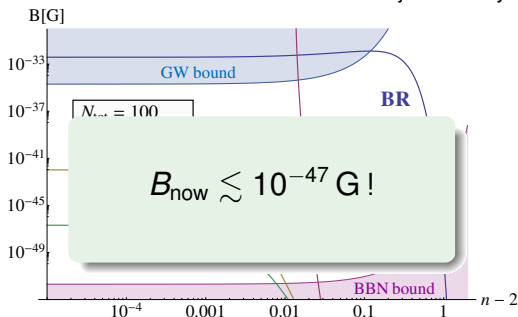
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Model independent limit

$$\rho_{\text{inf}}^{1/4} < 30 \text{ MeV} \left(\frac{1 \text{ Mpc}}{L_B} \right)^{5/4} \left(\frac{10^{-15} \text{ G}}{B_{\text{obs}}} \right), \quad (L_B \leq 1 \text{ Mpc})$$

Fujita & Yokoyama '14

Must break the premises

- **Production only during inflation**
- $\vec{B}$ evolves adiabatically after inflation, $B_{\text{phy}} \propto a^{-2}$
- $A_i \propto \tau^n$ is a good approximation at the last e-folding of inflation

Must overcome the obstacles

- ◇ **Substantial dilution after inflation**
- ◇ Too large electromagnetic energy spoiling inflation
- ◇ Induced curvature perturbations consistent with CMB

For sufficient production...

Post-inflationary evolution

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Axion inflation

- Successful inflation
- UV controllable theory

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- ◇ **Slow roll** of inflaton φ is necessary for a prolonged inflationary stage
- ◇ Slow roll in a standard single-field inflation is **UV sensitive**
 - ▷ Radiative corrections

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = g\varphi\bar{\psi}\psi + \frac{\lambda}{4!}\varphi^4$$

Diagram illustrating the radiative corrections to the inflaton propagator. The diagrams show the tree-level propagator (dashed line) and the one-loop corrections (dashed line with a fermion loop and a scalar loop).

- ▷ η problem in supergravity

$$|\eta| \ll 1 \text{ is needed but } V_{\text{SG}} \sim V \frac{\varphi^2}{M_p^2} \text{ leads } \eta \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$$

- ◇ One solution – to invoke **shift symmetry**
 - ▷ Symmetry exact $\Leftrightarrow$ completely flat potential $V(\varphi) = \text{const.}$
 - ▷ Mild breaking guarantees flat $V(\varphi)$
- ◇ Natural candidate...?

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- ◇ Or **Axions – (pseudo) Nambu-Goldstone bosons**

- Arise from global symmetry breaking
- Ubiquitous in particle theory
- ◇ Na **● Flat $V(\varphi)$ guaranteed – a good candidate for inflaton!**
 - ▷ Natural inflation
 - Freese, Frieman & Olinto '90

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A natural coupling to electromagnetic fields
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Axion-gauge coupling

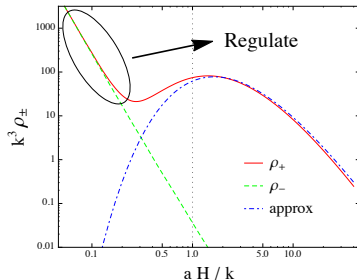
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = \frac{\alpha}{f} \varphi \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}$$

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Modified dispersion of the EM field

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \tau^2} A_{\pm} + \left(k^2 \mp a \frac{\alpha}{f} k \dot{\varphi} \right) A_{\pm} = 0$$

- ◇ **Only one helicity** grows exponentially
Anber & Sorbo '09



Large production of helical magnetic fields !

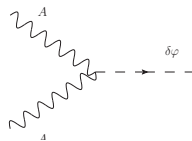
Bounds on the coupling constant

- **Bounds from CMB observations**

- ▷ Produced photons **inverse-decay** to inflaton quanta
⇒ contribute to **curvature perturbations**

$$A + A \rightarrow \delta\varphi \rightarrow \zeta$$

Barnaby, RN & Peloso '12; Meerburg & Pajer '12



CMB bounds

$$\frac{\alpha}{f} \leq 35 - 48 M_p^{-1}$$

Planck collaboration '15

Evolution of magnetic fields

Distinctive post-inflationary evolution

- Coupling to inflaton φ until reheating
- **Slow roll breaks down**
- **Inflaton oscillation** after inflation
- **Helical nature** of the produced $\vec{B}$ fields

◇ Numerical computation during and after inflation until decoupling

$$\ddot{A}_{\pm} + H\dot{A}_{\pm} + \left(\frac{k^2}{a^2} \mp \frac{\alpha}{f} \frac{k}{a} \dot{\phi}_0 \right) A_{\pm} = 0$$

$$\ddot{\phi}_0 + 3H\dot{\phi}_0 + V_{\phi}(\phi_0) = \frac{\alpha}{f} \langle \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B} \rangle$$

$$3M_p^2 H^2 = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\phi}_0^2 + V(\phi_0) + \frac{\langle \vec{E}^2 + \vec{B}^2 \rangle}{2}$$

Growth around the end of inflation

Growth triggered by the coupling

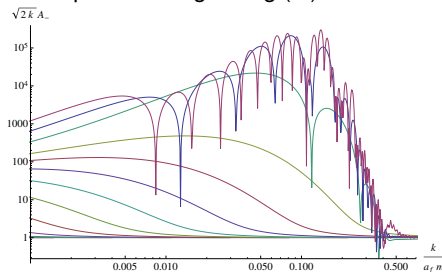
1 Tachyonic growth

- ▷ towards the end of inflation
- ▷ growth only in one helicity state

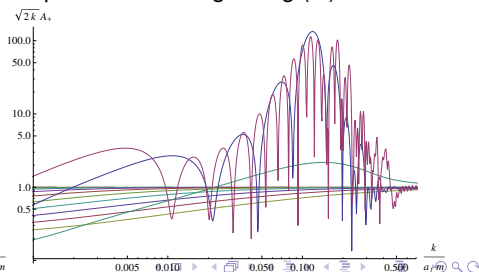
2 Parametric resonance

- ▷ lasts a few e-folds after inflation
- ▷ growth in both helicity states

Spectrum of growing (−) state

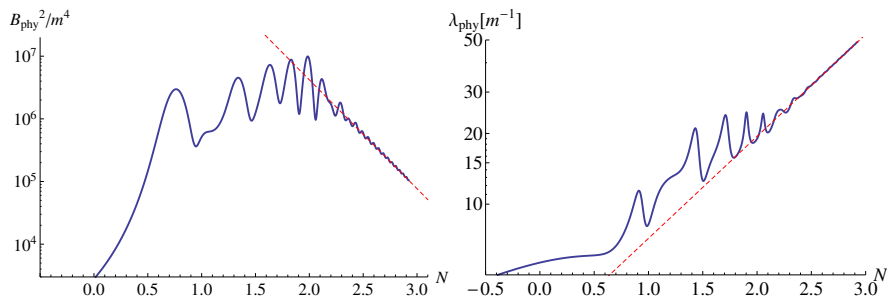


Spectrum of non-growing (+) state



Evolution of amplitude and correlation length

- ◇ Non-trivial evolution of $\vec{B}$ fields during and after inflation
- ◇ Once parametric resonance ceases, the $\vec{B}$ fields evolve adiabatically

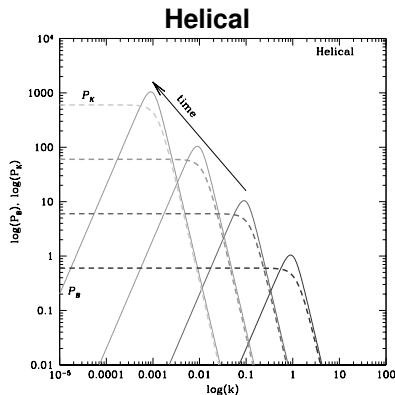
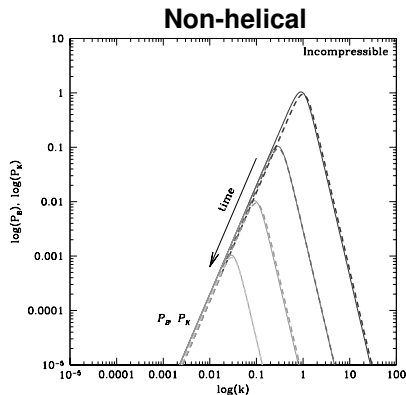


$$B_{\text{phys}} \simeq (6 \cdot 10^{45} a^{-4}) \text{ G} , \quad \lambda_{\text{phys}} \simeq (9 \cdot 10^{-52} a) \text{ Mpc} , \quad \left(\frac{\alpha}{f} = 8 M_p^{-1}, N \gtrsim 2 \right)$$

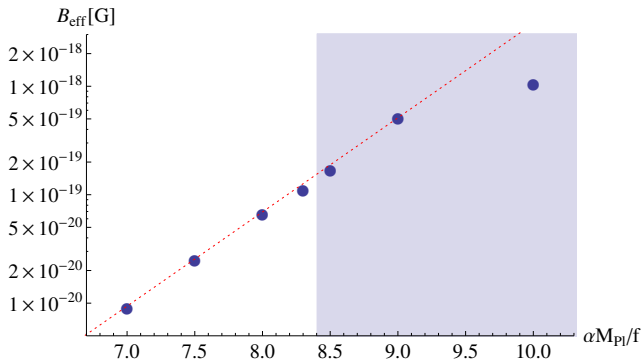
Inverse cascade in turbulent plasma

Inverse cascade = helicity conservation

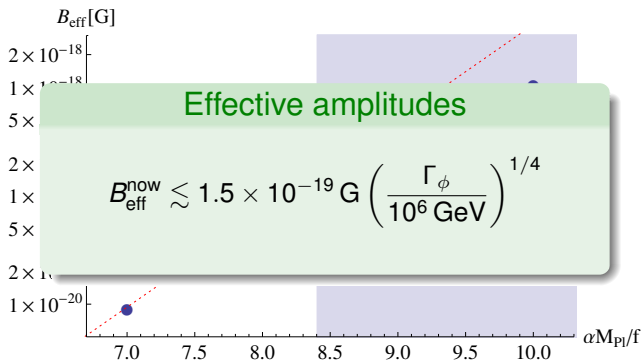
- Nonlinearity of MHD dynamics (High Reynolds number)
- Helicity of the magnetized fluid with high conductivity is conserved
- Part of the energy is transferred to larger scales



Present magnetic field amplitude



Present magnetic field amplitude



- ◇ MUCH bigger than those in previous studies !
- ◇ STILL smaller than the observed bound, $B_{\text{obs}} \gtrsim 10^{-17} \text{ G}$...
- ◇ Search for helical extragalactic $\vec{B}$ fields ? Tashiro et al. '13, '14; Chen et al. '14

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Attempts with kinetic coupling model

Recall...

Kinetic coupling model

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = -\frac{l^2(a)}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$$

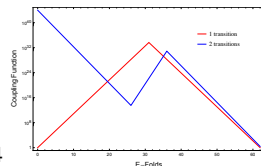
- ◇ Strongest bounds from the CMB constraints on curvature perturbations
- ◇ One attempt to evade this

– **sudden onset of magnetic field production**

Ferreira et al. '13

- ▷ Still too large non-Gaussianity

Ferreira et al. '14



- ◇ **Post-inflationary kinetic coupling**

Kobayashi '14

- ▷ STILL too large f_{NL}

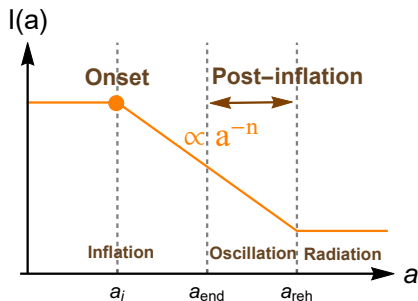
Our model

Kinetic coupling model

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = -\frac{I^2(\chi)}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$$

- I is a function of spectator $\chi \neq$ inflaton φ
- Motion of χ induces time dependence of I

- ◇ Sudden onset of χ rolling
- ◇ Post-inflationary coupling

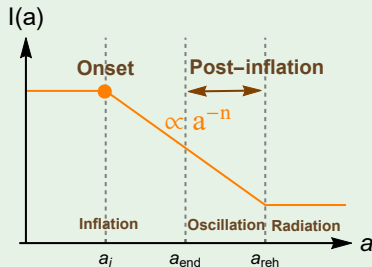


- ◇ **Impose: Consistency with the CMB observations**

Evolution of EM field

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \tau^2} + k^2 - \frac{\partial_\tau^2 I}{I} \right) (I \vec{A}) = 0$$

$$I \propto a^{-n}, \quad n > 0$$



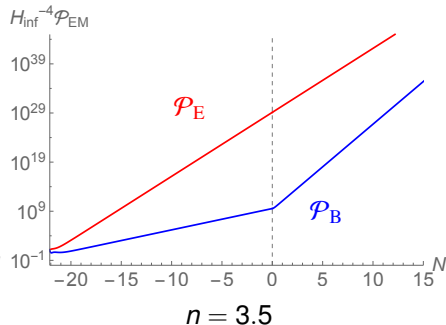
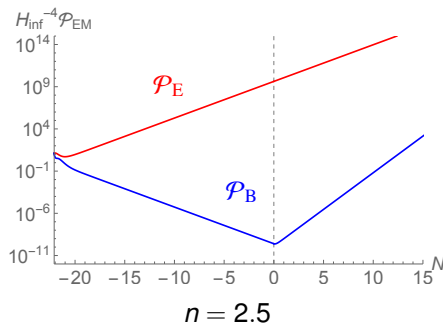
$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \tau^2} + k^2 \right) (I \vec{A}) = 0, \quad a < a_i, \quad a_{\text{reh}} < a$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \tau^2} + k^2 - \frac{n(n-1)}{\tau^2} \right) (I \vec{A}) = 0, \quad a_i < a < a_{\text{end}}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \tau^2} + k^2 - \frac{2n(2n+1)}{\tau^2} \right) (I \vec{A}) = 0, \quad a_{\text{end}} < a < a_{\text{reh}}$$

With BD initial condition, we can solve the E.o.M. exactly

Time evolution of EM power



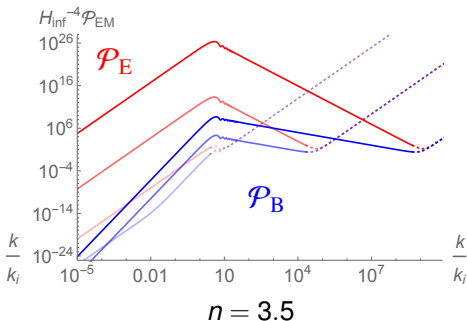
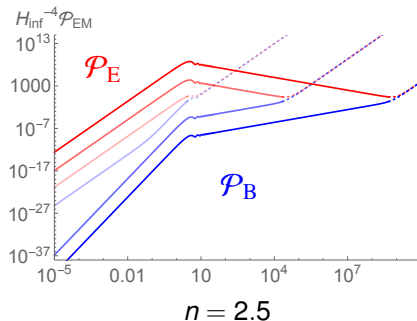
- During inflation, $\vec{E}$ grows faster than $\vec{B}$
- After inflation, $\vec{B}$ grows faster than $\vec{E}$

$$\frac{E_k}{B_k} = \frac{\partial_\tau A_k}{k A_k} \propto \frac{1}{|k\tau|} \propto \begin{cases} a, & \text{inflation} \\ a^{-1/2}, & \text{MD} \end{cases}$$

- The hierarchy b/w $\vec{E}$ and $\vec{B}$ is alleviated during MD !

EM power spectra

During inflation



- 1 Suppression of large-scale power $k < k_i$

$$\mathcal{P}_E \propto k^4, \quad \mathcal{P}_B \propto k^6, \quad k \ll k_i$$

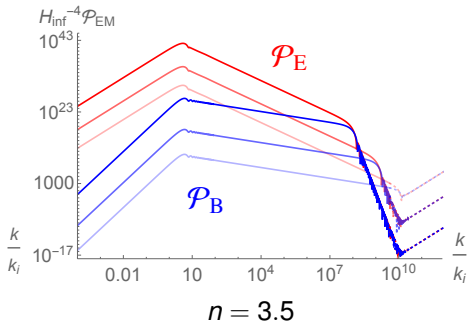
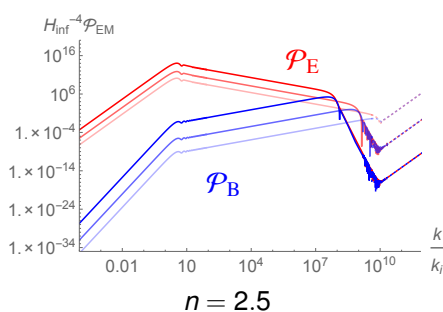
- 2 $\vec{B}$ spectrum is blue for $n < 3$, red for $n > 3$

$$\mathcal{P}_B \propto k^{6-2n}, \quad k \gg k_i$$

Note: $I \propto a^{-n}$

EM power spectra

During inflaton oscillation



- 1 Spectral tilt unchanged
- 2 Higher modes enter horizon, oscillate and damp
- 3 Lower modes continue growing

Note: $I \propto a^{-n}$

Constraints from curvature perturbations

Several contributions to ζ from produced $\vec{E}$ directly and indirectly

$$\zeta = -\frac{H}{\dot{\rho}(0)} \delta\rho$$

$$\delta\rho[\vec{E}] = \delta\rho_E + \delta\rho_\chi^{\text{sourced}} + \delta\rho_\varphi^{\text{sourced}} + \delta\rho_\varphi^{\text{mix}}$$

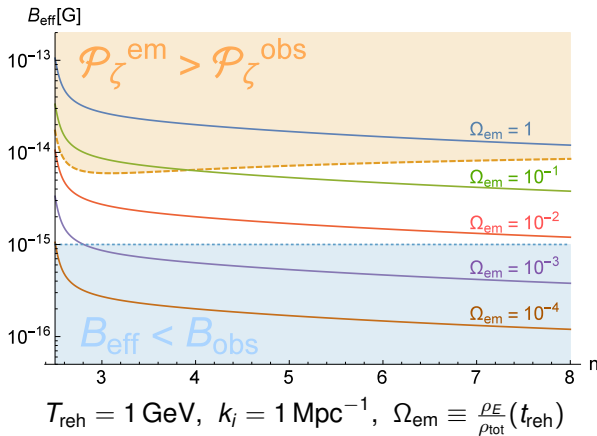
$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial\tau^2} + k^2 + M_{\phi\phi}^2\right)(a\delta\varphi) + M_{\phi\chi}^2(a\delta\chi) = \frac{-a^3\dot{\phi}}{4M_p^2H} \int \frac{d^3x}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} \vec{E} \cdot \vec{E}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial\tau^2} + k^2 + M_{\sigma\sigma}^2\right)(a\delta\chi) + M_{\chi\phi}^2(a\delta\varphi) = a^3 \frac{\partial_\chi I}{I} \int \frac{d^3x}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} \vec{E} \cdot \vec{E}$$

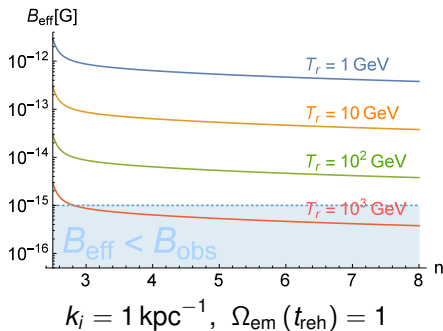
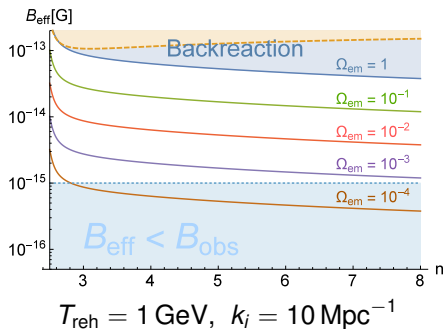
- 1 Energy density of $\vec{E}$
- 2 $\vec{E}$ energy density sources $\delta\chi$ through direct coupling, suppressed by $\dot{\chi}/\dot{\phi}$
- 3 $\vec{E}$ energy density sources $\delta\varphi$ through gravitational interaction
- 4 Sourced $\delta\chi$ gravitationally mixes with $\delta\varphi$

Results (*preliminary*)

- ◇ So far we have only included ① & ②
- ◇ Preliminary results indicate $\delta\rho_\varphi^{\text{sourced}} \sim \delta\rho_\varphi^{\text{mix}} \sim \delta\rho_\chi^{\text{sourced}} \sim \delta\rho_E$



Results (preliminary)



- Increasing $k_i \Leftrightarrow$ smaller peak scales $\Leftrightarrow$ away from CMB scales
- Backreaction to ρ_{tot} more relevant for larger k_i
- Larger $T_{\text{reh}} \Leftrightarrow \vec{E}$ vs. $\vec{B}$ hierarchy remains wide $\Leftrightarrow$ tighter bounds

$$T_{\text{reh}} \lesssim 10^3 \text{ GeV}, \quad \text{for } k_i < 1 \text{ kpc}^{-1} \text{ and } B_{\text{obs}} \gtrsim 10^{-15} \text{ GeV}$$

Message

$$B_{\text{obs}} \gtrsim 10^{-15} \text{ G}$$

can be realized **without**

- **strong coupling problem**
- **backreaction problem**
- **curvature perturbation problem**

...but preliminary

Summary and outlook

- Blazars observations $\Rightarrow B_{\text{eff}} \gtrsim 10^{-17}$ G at ~ 1 Mpc !
- Challenging to find an **inflation-only** origin
- Post-inflationary evolution is necessary to save the situation
- Theoretically motivated **axion inflation** studied
 - ◇ Generation mechanism of $\vec{B}$ naturally implemented
 - ◇ Rich physics
 - ▷ Tachyonic enhancement at the end of inflation
 - ▷ Parametric resonance
 - ▷ Parity violation $\Rightarrow$ helical $\vec{B} \Rightarrow$ Inverse cascade
 - ◇ Much larger $\vec{B}$ than previous studies ! ...but not enough for blazars
- **Post-inflationary kinetic coupling model** studied
 - ◇ Sudden onset of kinetic fnc $I(a)$, evolution until reheating
 - ◇ $B_{\text{obs}} \gtrsim 10^{-15}$ G **with all constraints satisfied !**
 - ◇ Any natural model ?