

Stochastic « Inflation » in the phase space

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Outline

- Going to the phase space

motivation, Langevin equations in phase space

- Exemple of a test field

Diffusion away from slow-roll, stochastic anisotropies

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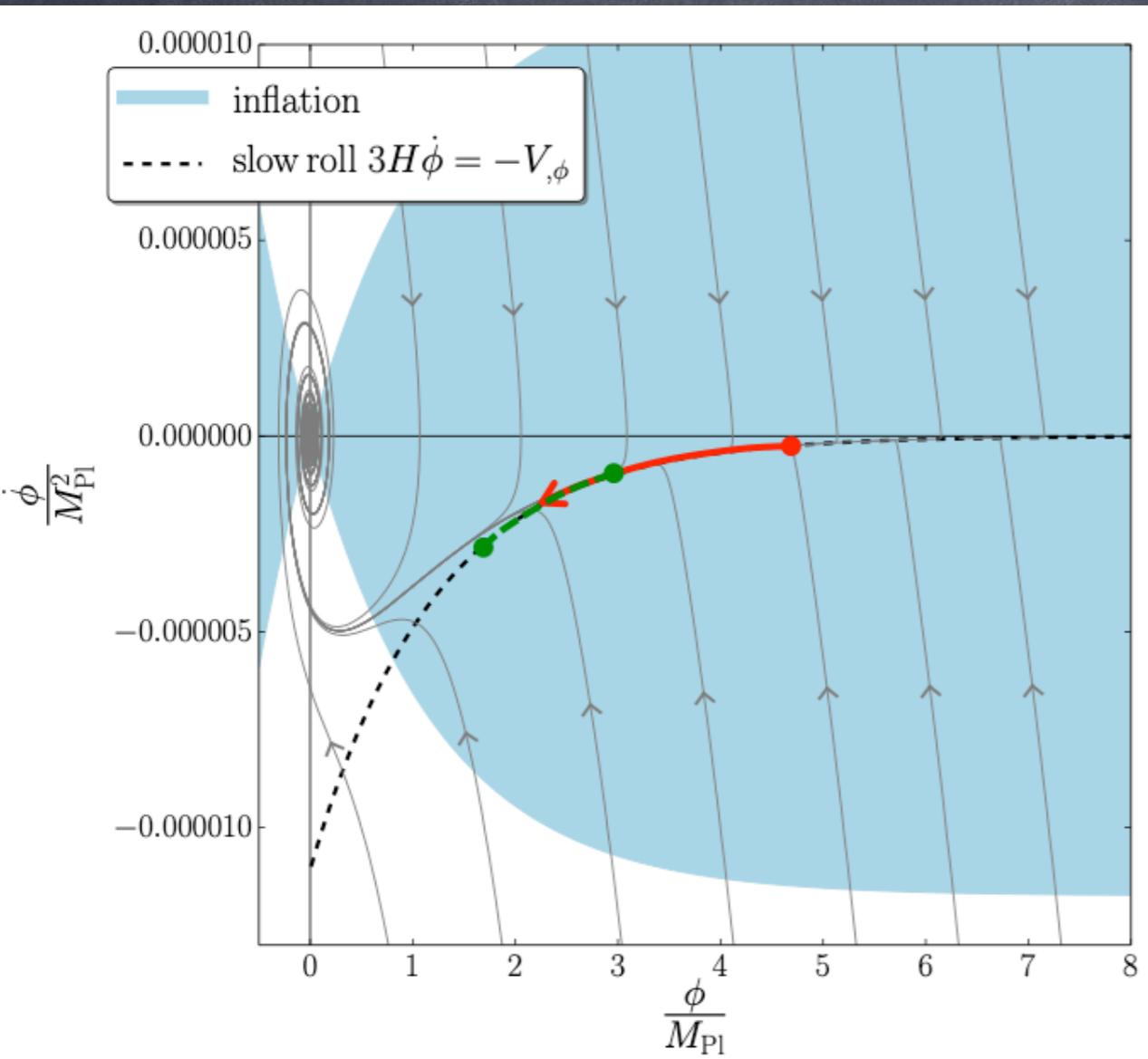
- Separate universe & gauge-correction

Readdress Pattison et al. 2019 from the phase space perspective

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Slow-roll inflation

Slow-roll approximation: $3H\dot{\phi} + \frac{dV}{d\phi} = 0$



- SR is an attractor
- SR simplifies a 2D dynamics into a 1D dynamics
- SR attractor can be generalized to a test scalar field in quasi-dS background

Stochastic diffusion: $3H\dot{\bar{\phi}} + \frac{dV(\bar{\phi})}{d\bar{\phi}} = \tilde{\xi}_\sigma(t)$ ← White noise

Drift evolution and diffusion are 1-dimensional

Beyond slow-roll inflation

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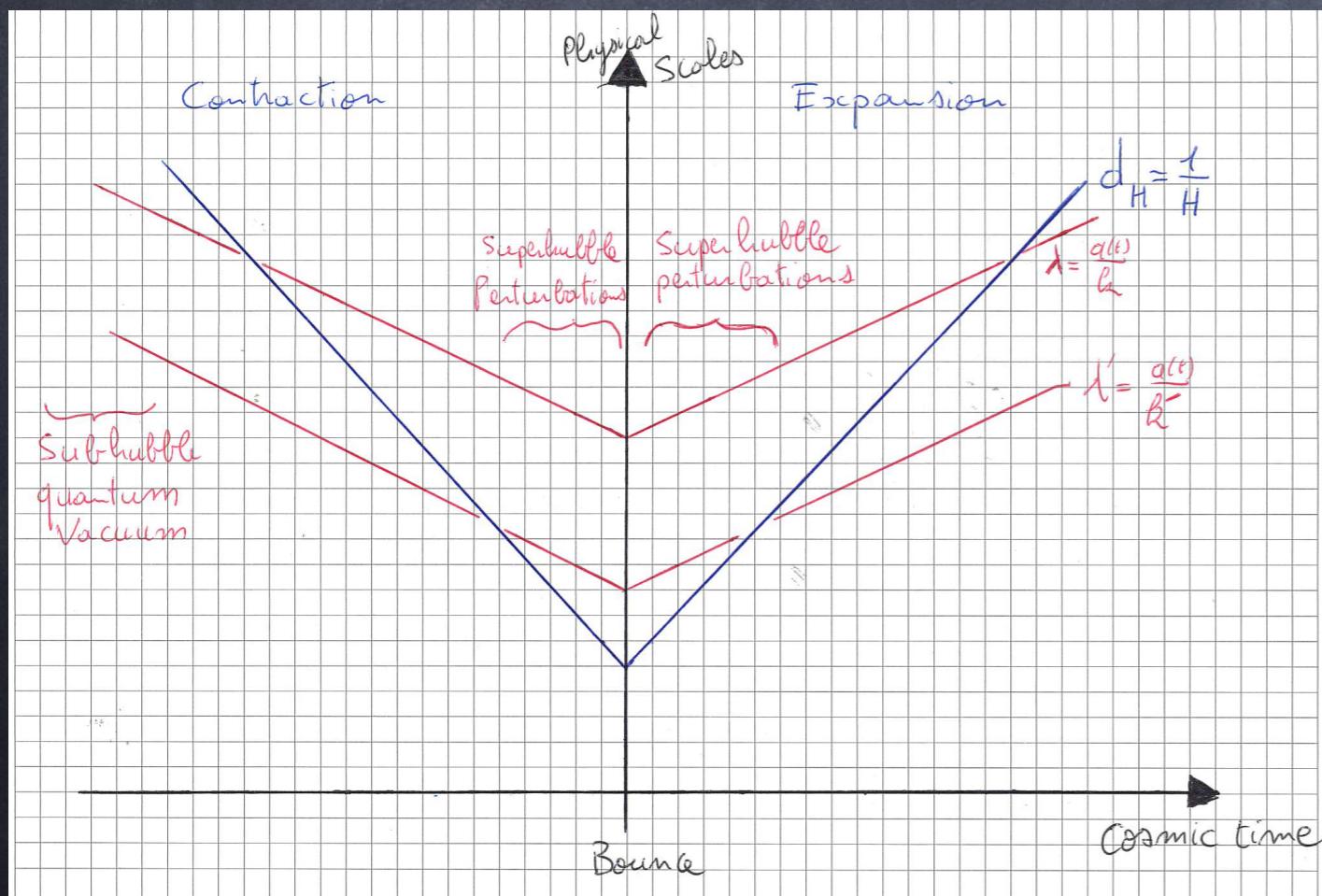
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Bouncing cosmologies:

→ inflow of Q-fluctuations to large-scale classical perturbations



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- Barrau et al., CQG, 2014, 31, 053001
- Brandenberger & Peter, Found. Phys., 2017, 47, 797
- Agullo & Singh, arXiv:1612.0123

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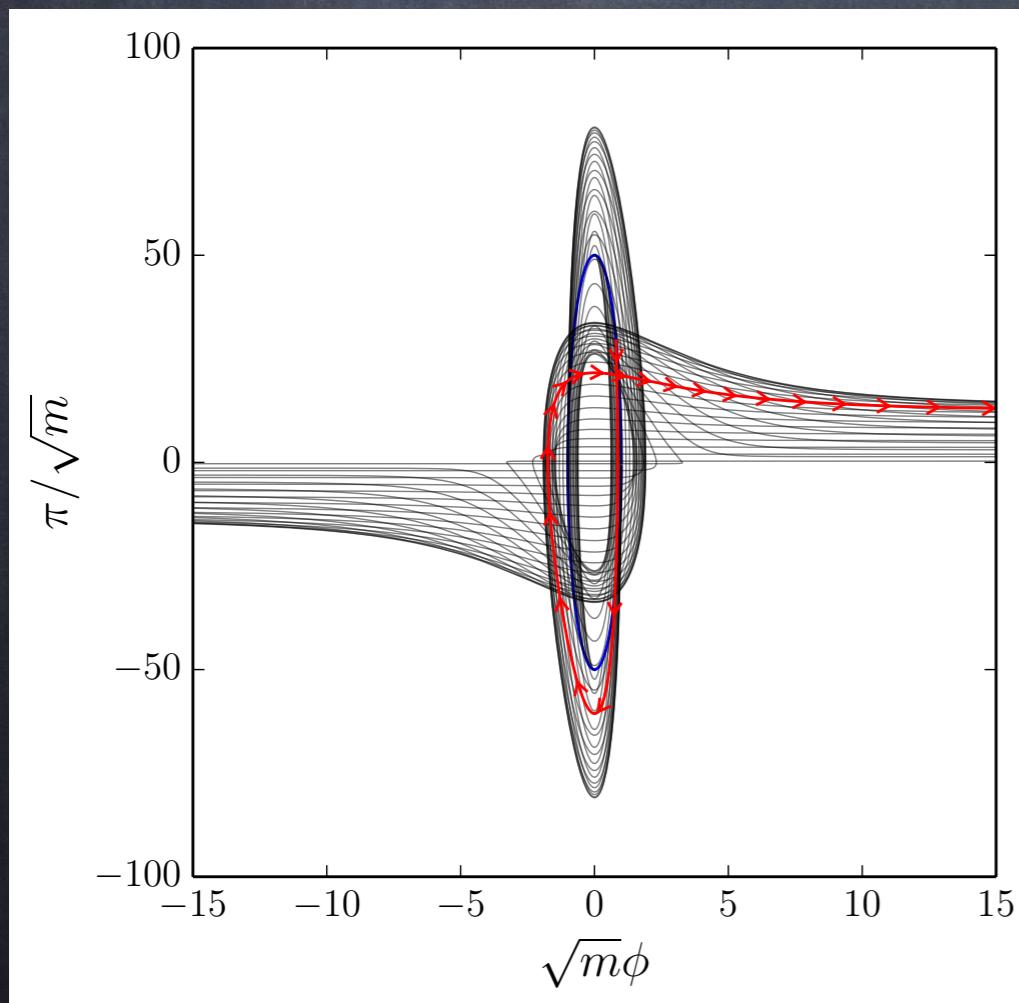
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Bouncing cosmologies:

→ test free scalar-field in contracting universe ($w=0$)



- $m > H$: oscillatory regime in P.S.
- $m < H$: friction dominated regime à la USR

$$\phi(t) \simeq \phi_m + \pi_m \int_{t_m}^t \frac{dt'}{a^3(t')}$$
$$\pi(t) \simeq \pi_m$$

For « inflaton » field, see example in LQC:

- Linsefors & Barrau, PRD, 2013, 123509
- Bolliet et al., PRD, 2015, 91, 084035
- Schander et al., PRD, 2016, 93, 023531

Going to the phase space

Beyond slow-roll: 2-dimensional dynamics

- Full Klein-Gordon Equation (1 second order ODE)
- Hamiltonian formalism (2 coupled first order ODE's)

- Langevin equations are more easily formulated as 1st order system of ODE's

→ Fokker-Planck equation and PDF in the phase space, use of canonical transformation

- Noise is of quantum origin

→ quantization (and classicalization) is more « naturally » done using Hamiltonian formalism

- SR corresponds to a specific direction in the phase space

→ « Is there diffusion away from SR ? » becomes « is the noise strongly pointing away from SR in the phase space ? »

- Nakao, Nambu, Sasaki, 1988, Prog. Th. Phys, 80, 1041
- Kandrup, 1989, PRD, 39, 2245
- Habib, 1992, PRD, 46, 2408
- Grain, Vennin, 2017, JCAP, 1705, 045

Stochastic inflation in P.S.

1. Split the field in long- & small-wavelength $\Phi_i \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \phi \\ \pi \end{pmatrix}$

$$\Phi = \bar{\Phi} + \Phi_Q \text{ with } \Phi_Q = \int d^3k \Theta(k/k_\sigma - 1) [\hat{a}_{\vec{k}} \Phi_k(t) e^{i\vec{k}\vec{x}} + \text{c.c.}]$$

Solution of Hamilton EoM

2. Plug into Hamilton EoM \rightarrow Langevin equations in phase space

Linearize in ϕ_Q ; neglect gradients for $\bar{\phi}$

Stochastic large-scale dynamics : $\frac{d}{d\eta} \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\phi} \\ \bar{\pi} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\pi}/a^2 \\ -a^4 V_{,\bar{\phi}}(\bar{\phi}) \end{pmatrix} + \xi$ with $\xi \equiv \begin{pmatrix} \xi_\phi \\ \xi_\pi \end{pmatrix} \propto \frac{dk^3}{d\eta} [\hat{a}_{k_\sigma} \Phi_{k_\sigma}(\eta) e^{i\vec{k}\vec{x}} + \text{c.c.}]$

Small-wavelength dynamics : $\frac{d}{d\eta} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_k \\ \pi_k \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\pi}_k/a^2 \\ -[a^2 k^2 + a^4 V_{,\bar{\phi},\bar{\phi}}] \phi_k \end{pmatrix}$

3. Noise properties

Gaussian and classical stochastic 2D white noise

$$\langle 0 | \xi_i(\eta_1) \xi_j(\eta_2) | 0 \rangle \propto \frac{dk^3}{d\eta} \Phi_{i,k_\sigma} \Phi_{j,k_\sigma}^\star \delta(\eta_1 - \eta_2)$$

$$\xi \xi^\dagger \propto \frac{1}{2} (|\phi_{k_\sigma}|^2 + |\pi_{k_\sigma}|^2) I + \frac{1}{2} (|\phi_{k_\sigma}|^2 - |\pi_{k_\sigma}|^2) J_z + \text{Re} [\phi_{k_\sigma} \pi_{k_\sigma}^\star] J_x + J_y$$

Quantum commutator

Power spectra

Stochastic inflation in P.S.

A concrete example : test field with $V(\phi) = \frac{1}{2}m^2\phi^2$

$$\frac{d}{d\eta} \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\phi} \\ \bar{\pi} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1/a^2 \\ -a^4 m^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\phi} \\ \bar{\pi} \end{pmatrix} + \xi$$

Drift:

→ rapidly aligned with SR

Diffusion: perturbations mass = field's mass

Large scales: gradients negligible

→ perturbations evolve like the background field: they align with SR attractor

Both drift evolution and noises (hence diffusion) are aligned with SR

→ Slow-roll is also stochastic attractor

Stochastic anisotropies

Consider a Bianchi I space-time: $ds^2 = -dt^2 + a^2(t) \exp[2\beta_i(t)] \delta_{ij} dx^i dx^j$

$$H^2 = \frac{\rho}{3M_{\text{Pl}}^2} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma_{ij}\sigma^{ij}$$

$$\dot{H} = -\frac{\rho + P}{2M_{\text{Pl}}^2} - \frac{1}{2}\sigma_{ij}\sigma^{ij}$$

$$(\sigma_j^i)^. + 3H\sigma_j^i = \frac{\Pi_j^i}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}$$

$$\dot{\rho} + 3H(\rho + P) = -\sigma_{ij}\Pi^{ij}$$

Evolution of the shear sourced by the anisotropic stress

Solve for the shear: $\sigma_j^i(t) = \sigma_j^i(t_o) \left[\frac{a_o}{a(t)} \right]^3 + \frac{1}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2} \int_{t_o}^t \left[\frac{a(t')}{a(t)} \right]^3 \Pi_j^i(t') dt'$

What about contributions from anisotropic stress?

Shear as $1/a^6$ in Friedmann

→ Singularity in contraction

Stochastic massless scalar field in FLRW: $\Pi_{ij} = \partial_i \phi \partial_j - \frac{1}{3} (\gamma^{mn} \partial_m \phi \partial_n \phi) \gamma_{ij}$

$$\Phi(t) := \begin{pmatrix} \phi \\ \pi_\phi \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{G}(t, t_o) \Phi_o + \int_{t_0}^t \mathbf{G}(t, s) \boldsymbol{\xi}(s) ds$$

Homogeneous bckg field $\Pi_j^i = 0$

Isotropic 2-pt correlation:

$$\langle \hat{\Pi}_j^i(t) \rangle = 0$$

Anisotropic fluctuations (4-pt): $\langle \hat{\Pi}_j^i(t) \hat{\Pi}_i^j(t') \rangle \neq 0$

Stochastic anisotropies

Unvoidable stochastic shear from quantum fluctuations:
→ Connected part of 4-point correlation

$$\rho_\sigma := \frac{1}{2} \langle \sigma_{ij} \sigma^{ij} \rangle = \frac{1}{2M_{\text{Pl}}^2} \int^t dt_1 \int^t dt_2 \left[\frac{a(t_1)a(t_2)}{a^2(t)} \right]^3 \langle \Pi_j^i(t_1) \Pi_i^j(t_2) \rangle$$

Computed from the derivatives of
the field 2-pt function

Contraction driven by a perfect fluid with arbitrary w :

$$\frac{\rho_\sigma}{\rho_{\text{tot}}} = \epsilon^{4 \frac{1+9w}{1+3w}} f(w) \left(\frac{H}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2} \right)^4 \left[\frac{1}{5+27w} - \left(\frac{a}{a_o} \right)^{1+9w} + \frac{3+9w}{(1-9w)^2} \left(\frac{a}{a_o} \right)^{2(1+9w)} + \dots \right]$$

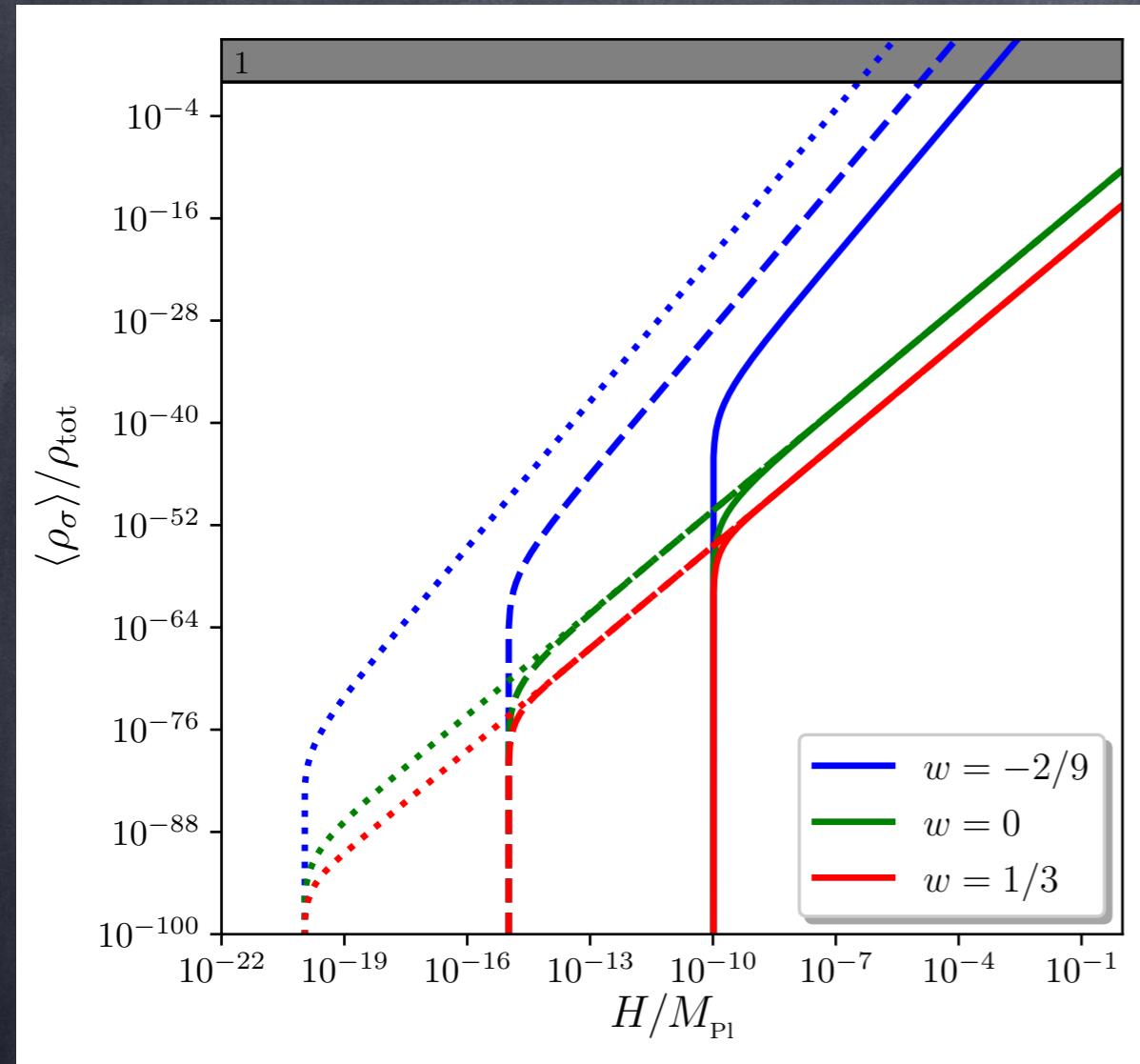
→ $H < M_{\text{Pl}}$ in bouncing cosmology

$w > -1/9$: shear never exceeds the Planck scale

$w < -1/9$: shear increase above M_{Pl} because fluctuations spectrum is too red

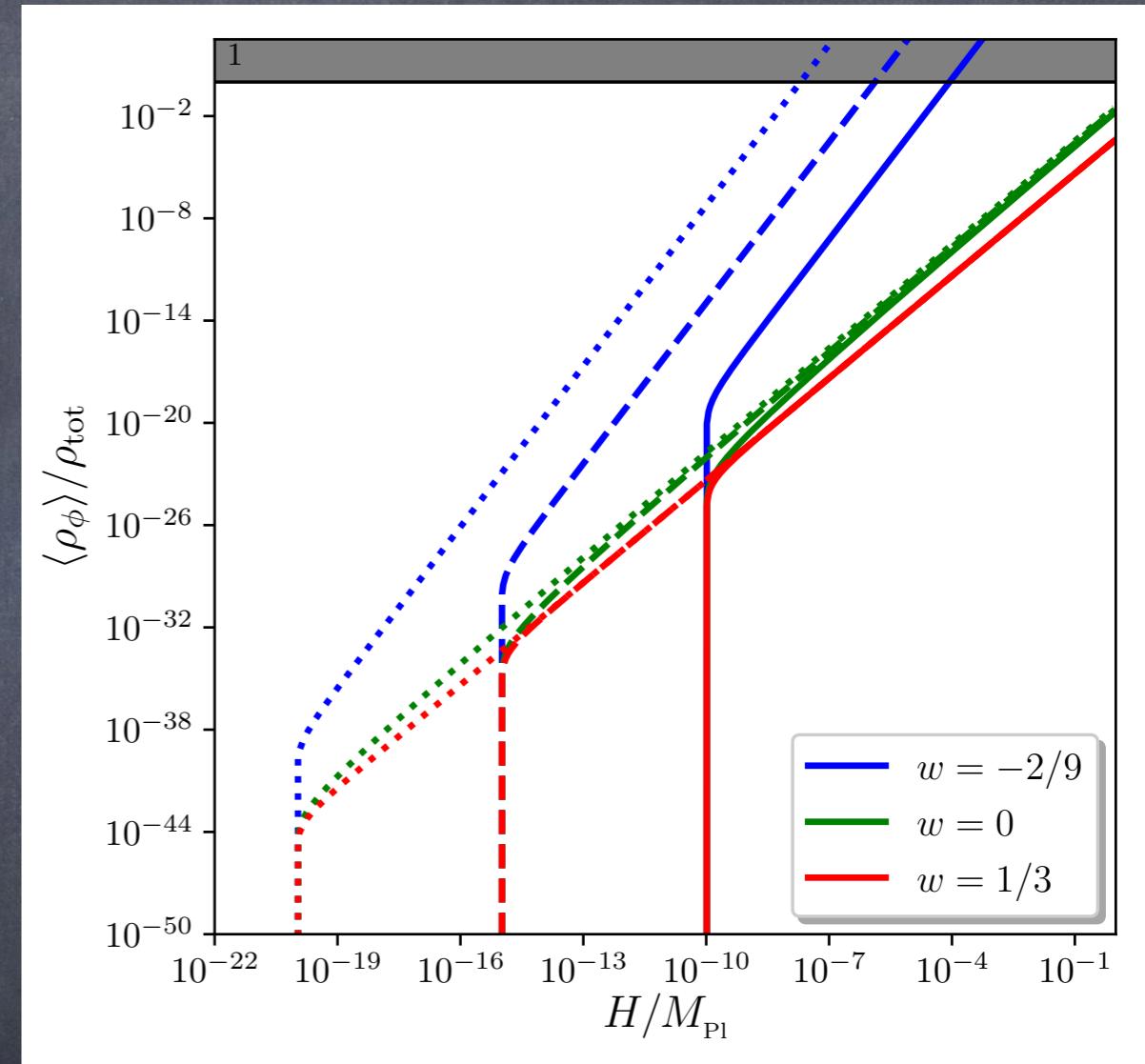
Stochastic anisotropies

Stochastic shear energy density



→ Stochastic instability if $w < -1/9$

Stochastic kinetic energy density



→ Stochastic instability if $w < 0$

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- Validity of the separate universe

superhubble FLRW patches = cosmological perturbations at superhubble scales
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Two different perturbative expansions about FLRW

Cosmological perturbations:
Inhomogeneous and anisotropic

Lagrange multipliers: 2

$$N(\tau) + \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \delta N(\vec{k}, \tau) e^{i\vec{k}\vec{x}}$$

$$\int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \delta N_1(\vec{k}, \tau) \left(\frac{ik^i}{k} \right) e^{i\vec{k}\vec{x}}$$

Scalar field: 2*1

$$\phi(\tau) + \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \delta \phi(\vec{k}, \tau) e^{i\vec{k}\vec{x}}$$

$$\pi_\phi(\tau) + \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \delta \pi_\phi(\vec{k}, \tau) e^{i\vec{k}\vec{x}}$$

Gravitational field: 2*2

$$v^{2/3}(\tau) \delta_{ij} + \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \left[\delta \gamma_1(\vec{k}, \tau) M_{ij}^1 + \delta \gamma_2(\vec{k}, \tau) M_{ij}^2 \right] e^{i\vec{k}\vec{x}}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} v^{1/3} \theta(\tau) \delta^{ij} + \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \left[\delta \pi_1(\vec{k}, \tau) M_1^{ij} + \delta \pi_2(\vec{k}, \tau) M_2^{ij} \right] e^{i\vec{k}\vec{x}}$$

Separate Universe:
homogeneous and isotropic

Lagrange multipliers: 1

$$N(\tau) + \widetilde{\delta N}(\tau)$$

Scalar field: 2*1

$$\phi(\tau) + \widetilde{\delta \phi}(\tau)$$

$$\pi_\phi(\tau) + \widetilde{\delta \pi_\phi}(\tau)$$

Gravitational field: 2*1

$$v^{2/3}(\tau) \delta_{ij} + \widetilde{\delta \gamma_1}(\tau) M_{ij}^1$$

$$\frac{1}{2} v^{1/3} \theta(\tau) \delta^{ij} + \widetilde{\delta \pi_1}(\tau) M_1^{ij}$$

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Cosmological perturbations:

$$C[N + \delta N, \delta N^i] = NS^{(0)} + \int d^3x \left(\delta N \mathcal{S}^{(1)} + \delta N^i \mathcal{D}_i^{(1)} + NS^{(2)} \right)$$

Separate Universe:

$$C[N + \widetilde{\delta N}, 0] = NS^{(0)} + \widetilde{\delta N} S^{(1)} + NS^{(2)}$$

Comparison at super-Hubble scales, i.e. neglecting $(k/a)^2$

→ Cosmo. pert. constraints become homogeneous and isotropic

$$\mathcal{S}^{(1)} \simeq S^{(1)} + \mathcal{O}(k/a)^2 [\delta\gamma_1 + \delta\gamma_2]$$

$$\mathcal{S}^{(2)} \simeq S^{(2)} + f(\delta\gamma_2, \delta\pi_2) + \mathcal{O}(k/a)^2 [\delta\phi^2 + \delta\gamma_1^2 + \delta\gamma_2^2 + \delta\gamma_1 \delta\gamma_2]$$

Anisotropic d.o.f. decouples from isotropic d.o.f.
at large scales

→ Full dynamics is matched providing the gauges are matched

$$\delta N \simeq \widetilde{\delta N} + \mathcal{O}(k/a)^2 [\delta z] \quad \text{← Matching of proper time}$$

$$k\delta N_1 \simeq \mathcal{O}(k/a)^2 [\delta z] \quad \text{← Matching of expansion rates}$$

Validity of separate universe: question of gauge-matching

Separate Universe in P.S.

Is there an analog gauge-fixing in the separate universe?

Spatially-flat gauge: $\delta\gamma_1 = 0 = \delta\gamma_2$

$$\widetilde{\delta\gamma_1} = 0$$

$$\delta N \propto f(\tau)(\delta\pi_1 + \sqrt{2}\delta\pi_2)$$

$$\widetilde{\delta N} = \widetilde{f}(\tau)\widetilde{\delta\gamma_1} + \widetilde{g}(\tau)\widetilde{\delta\pi_1}$$

$$k\delta N_1 = h(\tau)\delta\pi_2$$

$$\widetilde{\delta N_1} = 0$$

Newtonian gauge:

$$\delta\gamma_2 = 0 = \delta\pi_2$$

No counterpart in separate universe

$$\delta N \propto f(\tau)\delta\gamma_1$$

$$\widetilde{\delta N} = ?$$

$$k\delta N_1 = h(\tau)\delta\pi_2 = 0$$

$$\widetilde{\delta N_1} = 0$$

Synchronous gauge:

$$\delta N = 0 = k\delta N_1$$

$$\widetilde{\delta N} = 0 = \widetilde{\delta N_1}$$

- Gauges with anisotropic pert. cannot be generated in the sep. univ.
- Synchronous gauge works \rightarrow Sep. Univ. valid for stochastic formalism

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- Stochastic formalism: Noise in the synchronous gauge
- Scalar-field perturbations: spatially-flat gauge

Gauge parameters from S.-F. gauge to the synchronous gauge

$$0 = \delta g_{00}^{\text{synch}} = \delta g_{00} - 2N\dot{N}\xi^0 - 2N^2\dot{\xi}^0, \quad \text{with} \quad \delta g_{00} = 2N\delta N$$

$$0 = \delta g_{0i}^{\text{synch}} = \delta g_{0i} - N^2\partial_i\xi^0 + v^{2/3}\delta_{ij}\dot{\xi}^j \quad \delta g_{0i} = v^{2/3}\delta_{ij}\delta N^j$$

Express Lapse and shift in S.-F. as functions of field perturbations

$$\delta N^{\text{SF}} = \frac{-N\pi_\phi}{v\theta}\delta\phi^{\text{SF}}$$

$$k\delta N_1^{\text{SF}} = N\left[\frac{3}{2M_{\text{Pl}}^2}\frac{\pi_\phi}{v} - \frac{V,\phi}{\theta}\right]\delta\phi^{\text{SF}} - \frac{N\pi_\phi}{v^2\theta}\delta\pi_\phi^{\text{SF}}$$

Gauge transformation of the scalar-field perturbations

$$\delta\phi^{\text{synch}} = \delta\phi^{\text{SF}} + \left\{\delta\phi^{\text{SF}}, \int d^3x \xi^0 \mathcal{S}^{(1)}\right\} + \left\{\delta\phi^{\text{SF}}, \int d^3x \xi^i \mathcal{D}_i^{(1)}\right\} = \delta\phi^{\text{SF}} + \frac{\pi_\phi}{v}\xi^0$$

$$\delta\pi_\phi^{\text{synch}} = \delta\pi_\phi^{\text{SF}} + \left\{\delta\pi_\phi^{\text{SF}}, \int d^3x \xi^0 \mathcal{S}^{(1)}\right\} + \left\{\delta\pi_\phi^{\text{SF}}, \int d^3x \xi^i \mathcal{D}_i^{(1)}\right\} = \delta\pi_\phi^{\text{SF}} - vV_{,\phi}\xi^0 + \pi_\phi\partial_j\xi^j$$

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Noise is given in the synchronous gauge: $\xi_\phi \propto \frac{dk_\sigma^3}{dt} \delta\phi^{\text{synch}}(k_\sigma)$
 $\xi_{\pi_\phi} \propto \frac{dk_\sigma^3}{dt} \delta\pi_\phi^{\text{synch}}(k_\sigma)$

- Scalar-field perturbations in the synchronous gauge ($N=1$):

$$\delta\phi^{\text{synch}}(k) = \delta\phi^{\text{SF}}(k) - \dot{\phi} \int^t dt' \left[\frac{\dot{\phi}}{2M_{\text{Pl}}^2 H} \right] \delta\phi^{\text{SF}}(k)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta\pi_\phi^{\text{synch}}(k) = & \delta\pi_\phi^{\text{SF}}(k) + a^3 V_{,\phi} \int^t dt' \left[\frac{\dot{\phi}}{2M_{\text{Pl}}^2 H} \right] \delta\phi^{\text{SF}}(k) \\ & - a^3 \dot{\phi} k^2 \int^t \frac{dt'}{a^2} \left\{ \int^{t'} dt'' \left[\frac{\dot{\phi}}{2M_{\text{Pl}}^2 H} \right] \delta\phi^{\text{SF}}(k) \right\} \\ & + a^3 \dot{\phi} \int^t \frac{dt'}{2M_{\text{Pl}}^2 a^2} \left[\left(3\dot{\phi} + \frac{V_{,\phi}}{H} \right) \delta\phi^{\text{SF}}(k) + \frac{\dot{\phi}}{a^3 H} \delta\pi_\phi^{\text{synch}}(k) \right] \end{aligned}$$

→ Gauge-corrections are proportional to $\sqrt{\epsilon_1}$ and ϵ_2

→ Comparison with Pattison et al. 2019 needs to be done

Next steps

- Application to U.S.R. and bounce
 - Gauge-corrections in the momentum direction
 - Phase-space alignments of the noise
 - Stochastic anisotropies for « contraction » field
- Test fields to explore stochastic contraction
 - Noise alignment in the absence of attractor ?
 - Non-Bunch-Davies vacuum states ?
 - Scale of « classicality » vs. horizon scale
- Role of anisotropic modes ; formal aspects
 - Gauge-fixing in separate universe vs. cosmo. pert.
 - Is flat FLRW the right separate universe ?
 - Bianchi I to capture the anisotropic modes
 - Close/open FLRW to capture bits on inhomogeneities