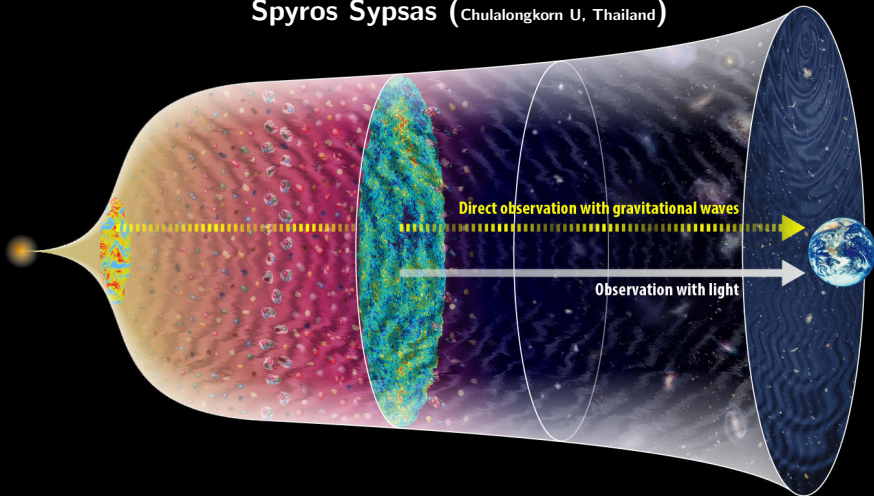


Observing primordial GWs from excited states

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Inspired by PBHs in 2-inflation:

2004.06106, 2004.08369 (see also 2005.02895)

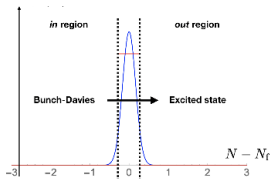
Related talks:

Lukas (2012.02761)

Matteo B. (2012.05821)

EFT perspective: sharp feature

preferred scale \Rightarrow excited state



Imprints: bump/oscillations in P_ζ
 (CMB, PBHs)

$$\hat{\zeta}(\tau < \tau_f) = \zeta_{\text{BD}}(\tau) \hat{a}_\zeta + \zeta_{\text{BD}}^*(\tau) \hat{a}_\zeta^\dagger$$

$$\hat{\zeta}(\tau > \tau_f) = [\alpha_k \zeta_{\text{BD}}(\tau) + \beta_k \zeta_{\text{BD}}^*(\tau)] \hat{a}_\zeta + []^* \hat{a}_\zeta^\dagger$$

UV completions

- ★ turn in 2-field inflation: $\mathcal{L} \supset \eta_{\perp}(\tau - \tau_f)\dot{\zeta}\psi$

Achúcarro et al '10; Palma, SS, Zenteno; Fumagalli et al.; Braglia et al. '20

- ★ 2-stage inflation: $\epsilon(\tau - \tau_f)$

Pi et al '17

- ★ time dependent $c_s(\tau - \tau_f)$

Ballesteros, Jimenez, Pieroni '18

- ★ particle production: $m_{\chi}(\tau - \tau_f)$

Cook, Sorbo '11

- ★ PTs during inflation: $T(\tau - \tau_f)$

An et al '20

- ★ ...

Universal prediction

Oscillatory scalar spectrum

$$\hat{\zeta}(\tau > \tau_f) = [\alpha_k \zeta_{\text{BD}}(\tau) + \beta_k \zeta_{\text{BD}}^*(\tau)] \hat{a}_\zeta + [\alpha_k \zeta_{\text{BD}}(\tau) + \beta_k \zeta_{\text{BD}}^*(\tau)]^* \hat{a}_\zeta^\dagger$$

$$\text{with } \zeta_{\text{BD}}(\tau) = e^{-ik\tau}(1 + ik\tau)$$

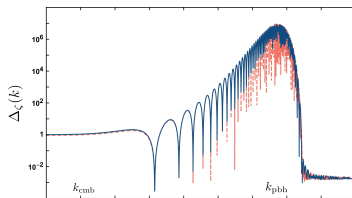
The Bogoliubov coefficients inherit a phase difference ($e^{\pm ik\tau_f}$) from the **BD** states ($\tau < \tau_f \equiv k_f^{-1}$):

$$P_\zeta = |\alpha + \beta|^2 = |\alpha|^2 + |\beta|^2 + |\alpha||\beta| \cos \frac{2k}{k_f}$$

How *excited* and how *observable* ($|\beta|, k_f$) depends on UV

Example: PBHs in multifield inflation

$$\frac{P_\zeta}{H^2/\epsilon} \sim \begin{cases} 1 + 4\delta\theta^2 & \text{if } k \ll k_\star & \text{CMB} \\ \frac{1}{4} e^{2\delta\theta\sqrt{\lambda k - k^2}} & \text{if } k \sim k_\star & \text{PBH} \\ 1 & \text{if } k \gg k_\star \end{cases}$$



analytics vs numerics

Scope: how do these affect $\Omega_{\text{GW}}^{\text{infl}}$ and $\Omega_{\text{GW}}^{\text{rad}}$? (Lukas/Matteo)

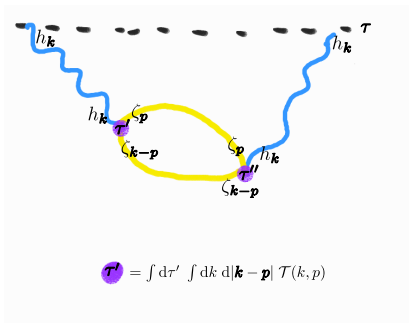
Suppose that the amplitude of the feature in the scalar PS is significant: 2nd order source for **tensors**

$$h = h_0 + h_S$$

$$h_{\mathbf{k}}^{\lambda\prime\prime}(\tau) + 2\mathcal{H}h_{\mathbf{k}}^{\lambda\prime}(\tau) + k^2 h_{\mathbf{k}}^{\lambda}(\tau) = S_{\mathbf{k}}^{\lambda}(\tau)$$

$$\hat{S}_{\mathbf{k}}^{\lambda}(\tau) = \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3} \epsilon^{\lambda}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{p}) \left(2\epsilon_{\hat{\zeta}\rho}(\tau)\hat{\zeta}_{|\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{p}|}(\tau) + \underbrace{\hat{\psi}_{\rho}(\tau)\hat{\psi}_{|\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{p}|}(\tau)}_{\text{2-field generalisation}} \right)$$

$$\langle \hat{h}_{\mathbf{k}}^{\lambda} \hat{h}_{\mathbf{k}'}^{\sigma} \rangle(\tau) = \int_{\tau_f}^{\tau} d\tau' G_{\mathbf{k}}(\tau, \tau') \int_{\tau_f}^{\tau} d\tau'' G_{\mathbf{k}'}(\tau, \tau'') \langle \hat{S}_{\mathbf{k}}^{\lambda}(\tau') \hat{S}_{\mathbf{k}'}^{\sigma}(\tau'') \rangle_{\beta}$$



$$\langle h_k h_k \rangle (\tau) = \int d\tau' \int d\tau'' \left\langle e^{-i\hat{h}\partial\hat{\zeta}\partial\hat{\zeta}(\tau')} \hat{h}\hat{h}(\tau) e^{i\hat{h}\partial\hat{\zeta}\partial\hat{\zeta}(\tau'')} \right\rangle_{\beta}$$

with excited ζ :

$$\hat{\zeta} = (\alpha_k \zeta_{\text{BD}} + \beta_k \zeta_{\text{BD}}^*) \hat{a}_{\zeta} + (\alpha_k \zeta_{\text{BD}} + \beta_k \zeta_{\text{BD}}^*)^* \hat{a}_{\zeta}^{\dagger}$$

$$P_h(k, \tau) = \frac{H^4}{16\pi^4} \int_1^\infty dy \int_{|1-y|}^{1+y} dx \mathcal{T}(x, y) \times$$

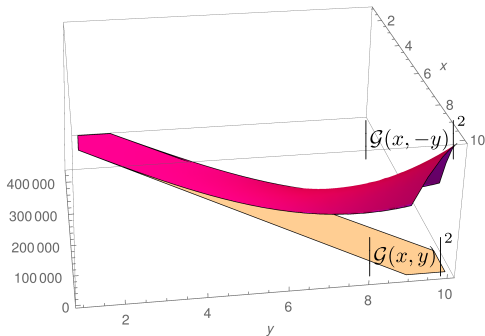
$$\sum_{ij} \left| \sum_{X^\pm} A_{X^\pm}^\pm(xk) A_{X^\pm}^\pm(yk) \mathcal{G}(\pm x, \pm y; k\tau_f) \right|^2$$

$$\underbrace{A^+ \equiv \alpha, A^- \equiv \beta}_{\text{model dependence}}; \zeta_{\text{BD}}^*(k\tau) = \zeta_{\text{BD}}(-k\tau)$$

$$\mathcal{G}(\pm x, \pm y; k\tau_f) \equiv \int_{\tau_f}^0 d\tau' \zeta_{\text{BD}}(\pm xk\tau') \zeta_{\text{BD}}(\pm yk\tau') G_k(\tau', 0)$$

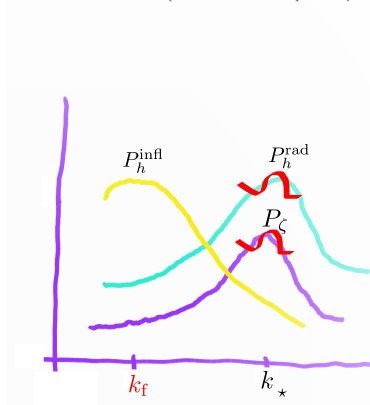
Generalisation of [Biagetti, Fasiello, Riotto '13](#) to excited states
 (and n-fields)

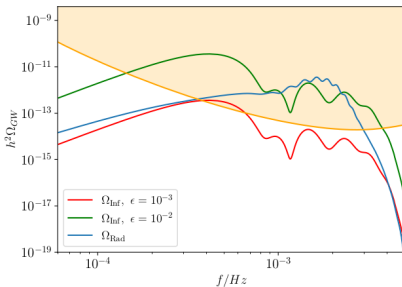
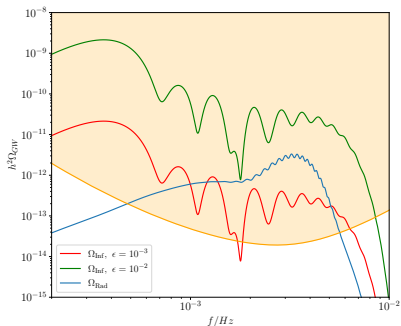
$$P_h(k) \supset \int_1^\infty dy \int_{|1-y|}^{1+y} dx \mathcal{T}(x, y) P_\zeta(xk) P_\zeta(yk) \times (|\mathcal{G}(x, y; k\tau_f)|^2 + |\mathcal{G}(x, -y; k\tau_f)|^2)$$



$$P_h^{\text{infl}} = \epsilon^2 P_\zeta(k_\star) P_\zeta(k_\star) \mathcal{G}(k_f) \quad | \quad P_h^{\text{rad}} = P_\zeta(k_\star) P_\zeta(k_\star) T_{\text{rad}}$$

$$\mathcal{G}(x, -y; k\tau_f) \supset e^{-i(1+x-y)k\tau_f} \mathcal{F}(x, -y; k\tau_f) \quad | \quad \beta = \alpha e^{2ik\tau_f}$$





Observables: left/right peak positions, amplitude, osc frequency

$$f_{\text{left}}, f_{\text{right}}, \frac{\Omega_{\text{left}}}{\Omega_{\text{right}}}, \omega_{\text{right}}$$

Params:

$$\epsilon, M/H, k_f$$

Message:

Fumagalli et al. to appear

smoking gun for excited states:

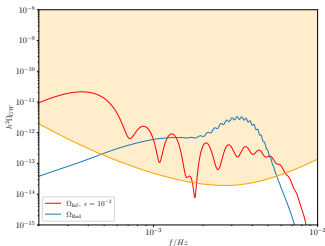
bump at low f vs bump/oscillations at high f

EFT diagnostics:

- ★ $f_{\text{left}} \sim \omega_{\text{right}}$
- ★ $\frac{f_{\text{right}}}{f_{\text{left}}} \sim \frac{M^2}{H^2}$
- ★ spectral feature ($\delta\tau$)
- ★ PBHs?

UV diagnostic:

★ $\frac{f_{\text{left}}^3}{f_{\text{right}}^3} \sqrt{\frac{\Omega_{\text{left}}}{\Omega_{\text{right}}}} \sim \epsilon(\tau_f)$



Caveats: observability 😊

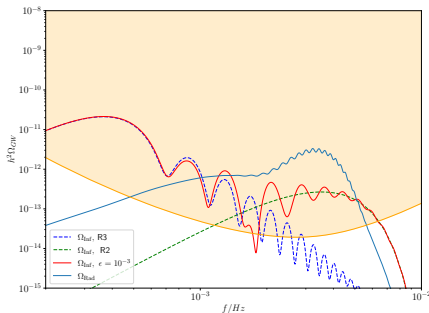
Scope
Primordial GWs
Observational signatures
Concluding remarks

Merci!

$$\mathcal{G}(x, -y; k\tau_f) \equiv \int_{\tau_f}^0 d\tau' \zeta_{\text{BD}}(xk\tau') \zeta_{\text{BD}}(-yk\tau') G_k(\tau', 0)$$

but if $\delta\tau \neq 0$ (and it is **not**)

$$\int_{\tau_f}^0 d\tau' = \int_{-\infty}^{\tau_f - \delta\tau} d\tau' + \int_{\tau_f - \delta\tau}^{\tau_f + \delta\tau} d\tau' + \int_{\tau_f + \delta\tau}^0 d\tau'$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{\zeta} &= \left[\alpha_{\zeta}^{\zeta} \zeta_{\text{BD}} + \beta_{\zeta}^{\zeta} \zeta_{\text{BD}}^* \right] \hat{a}_{\zeta} + \left[\alpha_{\zeta}^{\psi} \zeta_{\text{BD}} + \beta_{\zeta}^{\psi} \zeta_{\text{BD}}^* \right] \hat{a}_{\psi} \\
 &+ \left[\alpha_{\zeta}^{\zeta} \zeta_{\text{BD}} + \beta_{\zeta}^{\zeta} \zeta_{\text{BD}}^* \right]^* \hat{a}_{\zeta}^{\dagger} + \left[\alpha_{\zeta}^{\psi} \zeta_{\text{BD}} + \beta_{\zeta}^{\psi} \zeta_{\text{BD}}^* \right]^* \hat{a}_{\psi}^{\dagger} \\
 \hat{\psi} &= \left[\alpha_{\psi}^{\zeta} \zeta_{\text{BD}} + \beta_{\psi}^{\zeta} \zeta_{\text{BD}}^* \right] \hat{a}_{\zeta} + \left[\alpha_{\psi}^{\psi} \zeta_{\text{BD}} + \beta_{\psi}^{\psi} \zeta_{\text{BD}}^* \right] \hat{a}_{\psi} \\
 &+ \left[\alpha_{\psi}^{\zeta} \zeta_{\text{BD}} + \beta_{\psi}^{\zeta} \zeta_{\text{BD}}^* \right]^* \hat{a}_{\zeta}^{\dagger} + \left[\alpha_{\psi}^{\psi} \zeta_{\text{BD}} + \beta_{\psi}^{\psi} \zeta_{\text{BD}}^* \right]^* \hat{a}_{\psi}^{\dagger}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\langle (2\epsilon \hat{\zeta}_{\rho} \hat{\zeta}_{|k-\rho|} + \hat{\psi}_{\rho} \hat{\psi}_{|k-\rho|}) (2\epsilon \hat{\zeta}_{q} \hat{\zeta}_{|k'-q|} + \hat{\psi}_{q} \hat{\psi}_{|k'-q|}) \rangle = \\
 &4\epsilon^2 \langle \hat{\zeta}_{\rho} \hat{\zeta}_{|k-\rho|} \hat{\zeta}_{q} \hat{\zeta}_{|k'-q|} \rangle + 4\epsilon \text{Re} \langle \hat{\zeta}_{\rho} \hat{\zeta}_{|k-\rho|} \hat{\psi}_{q} \hat{\psi}_{|k'-q|} \rangle + \langle \hat{\psi}_{\rho} \hat{\psi}_{|k-\rho|} \hat{\psi}_{q} \hat{\psi}_{|k'-q|} \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

Noting that $[\hat{a}(\mathbf{k} - \boldsymbol{\rho}), \hat{a}^{\dagger}(\boldsymbol{\rho})] = 0, k \neq 0$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle \hat{\zeta}_{\rho} \hat{\zeta}_{|k-\rho|} \hat{\zeta}_{q} \hat{\zeta}_{|k'-q|} \rangle &= \langle \hat{\zeta}_{\rho} \hat{\zeta}_{q} \rangle \langle \hat{\zeta}_{|k-\rho|} \hat{\zeta}_{|k'-q|} \rangle + \langle \hat{\zeta}_{\rho} \hat{\zeta}_{|k'-q|} \rangle \langle \hat{\zeta}_{|k-\rho|} \hat{\zeta}_{q} \rangle \\
 \langle \hat{\zeta}_{\rho} \hat{\zeta}_{|k-\rho|} \hat{\psi}_{q} \hat{\psi}_{|k'-q|} \rangle &= \langle \hat{\zeta}_{\rho} \hat{\psi}_{q} \rangle \langle \hat{\zeta}_{|k-\rho|} \hat{\psi}_{|k'-q|} \rangle + \langle \hat{\zeta}_{\rho} \hat{\psi}_{|k'-q|} \rangle \langle \hat{\zeta}_{|k-\rho|} \hat{\psi}_{q} \rangle \\
 \langle \hat{\psi}_{\rho} \hat{\psi}_{|k-\rho|} \hat{\psi}_{q} \hat{\psi}_{|k'-q|} \rangle &= \langle \hat{\psi}_{\rho} \hat{\psi}_{q} \rangle \langle \hat{\psi}_{|k-\rho|} \hat{\psi}_{|k'-q|} \rangle + \langle \hat{\psi}_{\rho} \hat{\psi}_{|k'-q|} \rangle \langle \hat{\psi}_{|k-\rho|} \hat{\psi}_{q} \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$