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Primordial non-Gaussianities and gravitational waves: an intertwined story

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Notoriously, scalar primordial non-Gaussianities constitute a key prediction of the inflationary paradigm that is yet to be discovered. Less famous, tensor non-Gaussianities as well as mixed scalar-tensor non-Gaussianities may also arise from non-linear interactions in the early Universe.

In this talk, I will explain how the latter types of bispectra (the three-point functions) may be probed through the anisotropies of the Stochastic Gravitational Wave Background. I will present a recent rigorous derivation of the key formula relating the two effects, found using the in-in formalism for quantum interactions in cosmology. Those findings will be exemplified with two models of multifield inflation leading to:

- a homogeneous component of the SGWB that will be observable by future experiments like LISA, while being compatible with current constraints on CMB scales;

- anisotropies inherited from the tensor and scalar-tensor primordial non-Gaussianities at a potentially detectable level.

Time permitting, I will also mention a recent work where we prove that the connected scalar four-point function, the trispectrum, cannot induce a sizeable amount of gravitational waves when scalar perturbations re-enter the horizon during the radiation era.

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