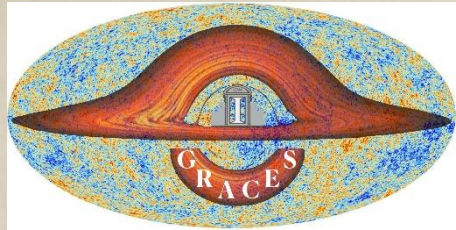


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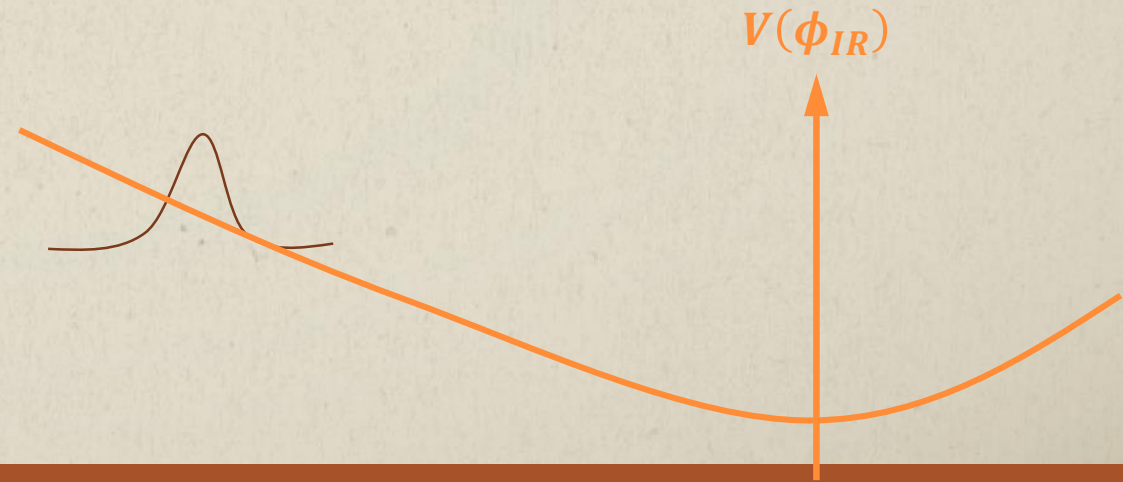
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BOREL RESUMMATION OF SECULAR DIVERGENCES

WITH THE STOCHASTIC INFLATION FORMALISM

Convection: \rightarrow

Diffusion: \leftrightarrow



Full one-hour seminar on the stochastic formalism on Youtube: search “Lucas Pinol geometrical aspects of stochastic inflation”

TALK CONSTRUCTED LIKE A CHRISTOPHER NOLAN'S MOVIE



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I will start by the main results, then go the actual presentation, and close with the motivations


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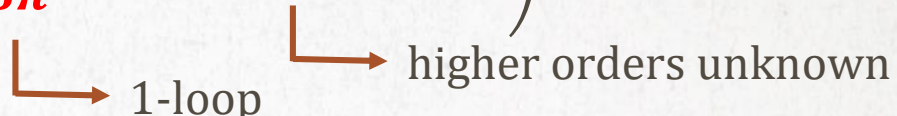
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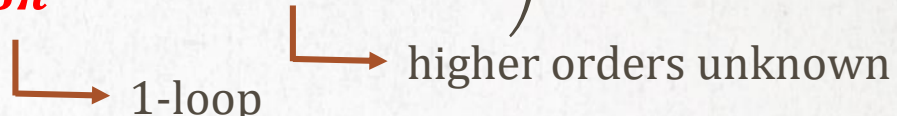
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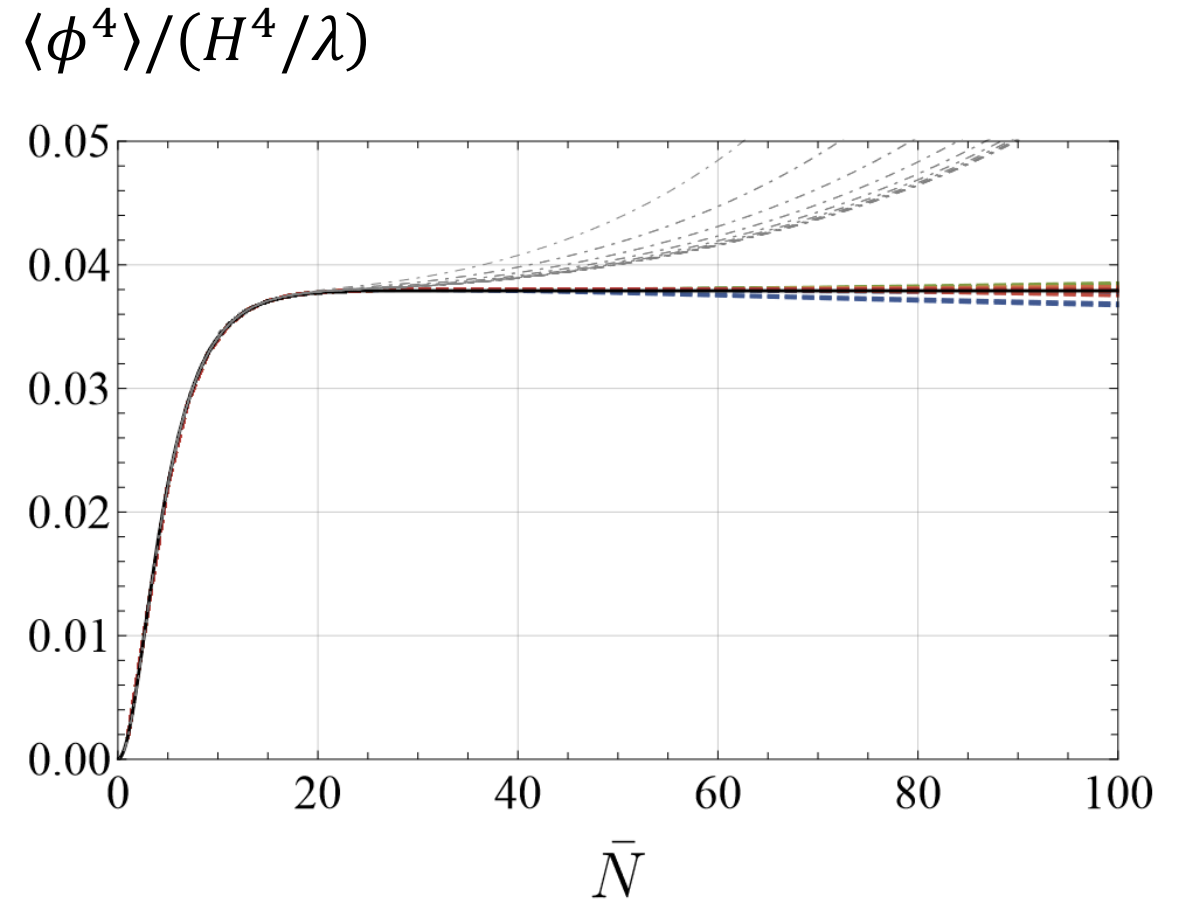
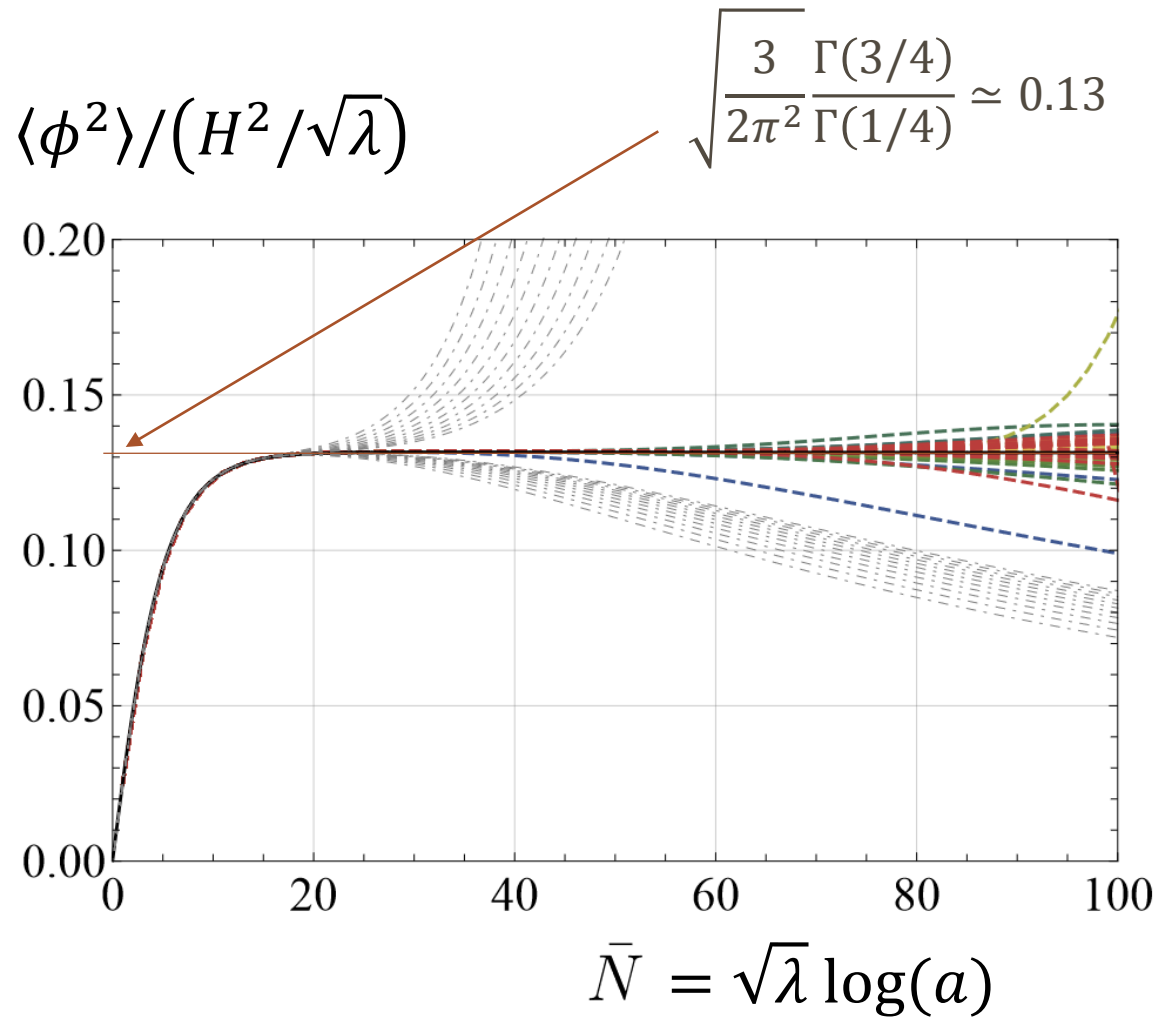
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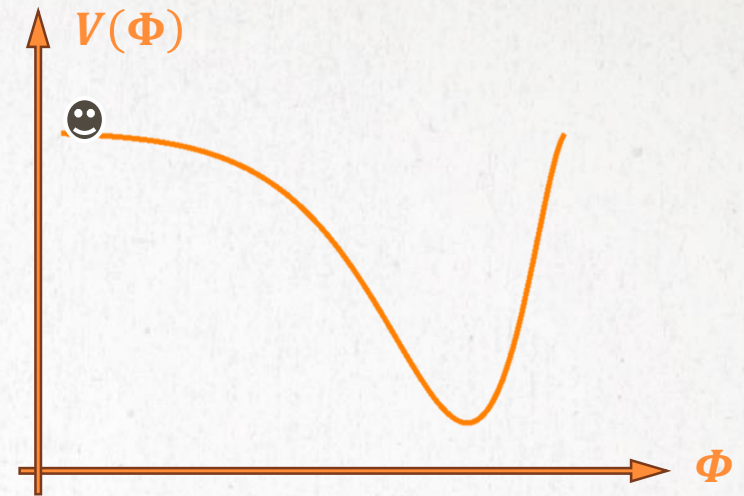
CONCLUSION



blue to red is higher and higher order in precision of **analytic** approximations
black is exact (numerical) grey is another method, not as good

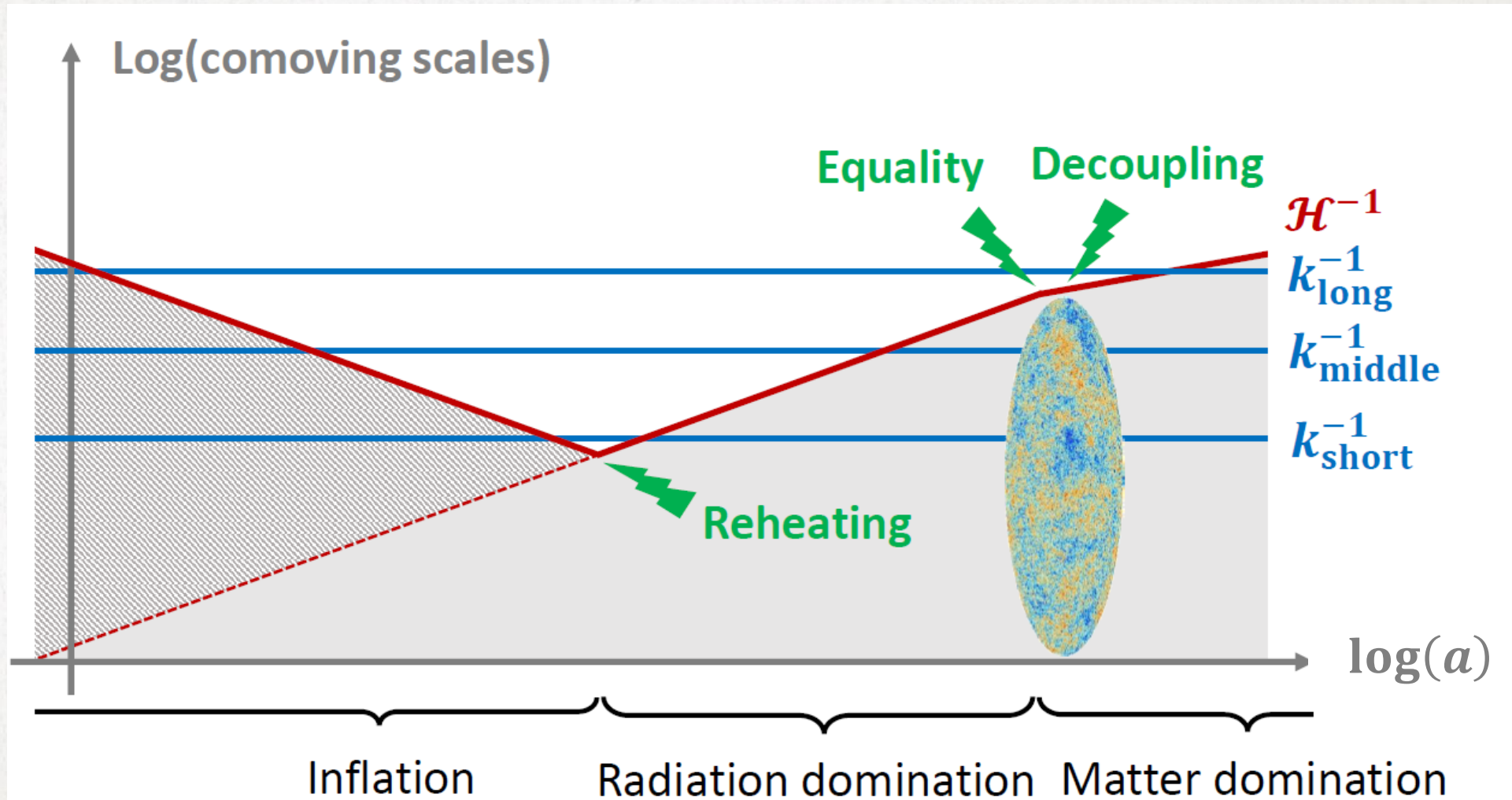
I. STANDARD APPROACH

A classical background...
... and quantum perturbations



FLUCTUATIONS OF MICRO-PHYSICAL QUANTUM ORIGIN

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Comoving Hubble
radius

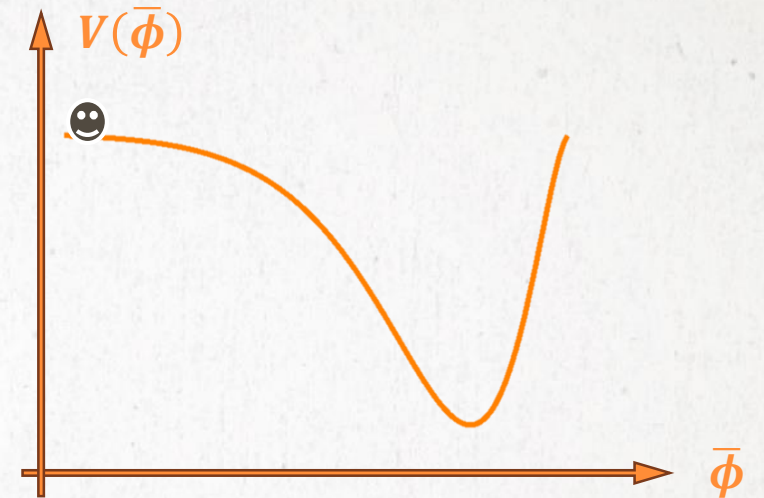


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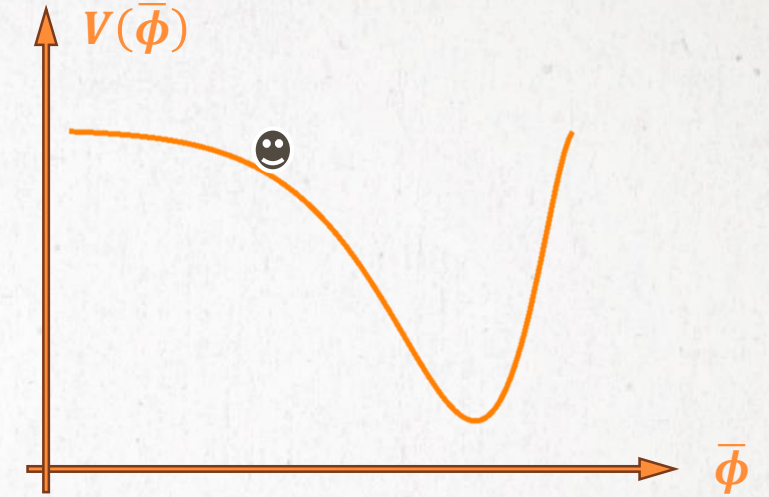
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QUANTUM

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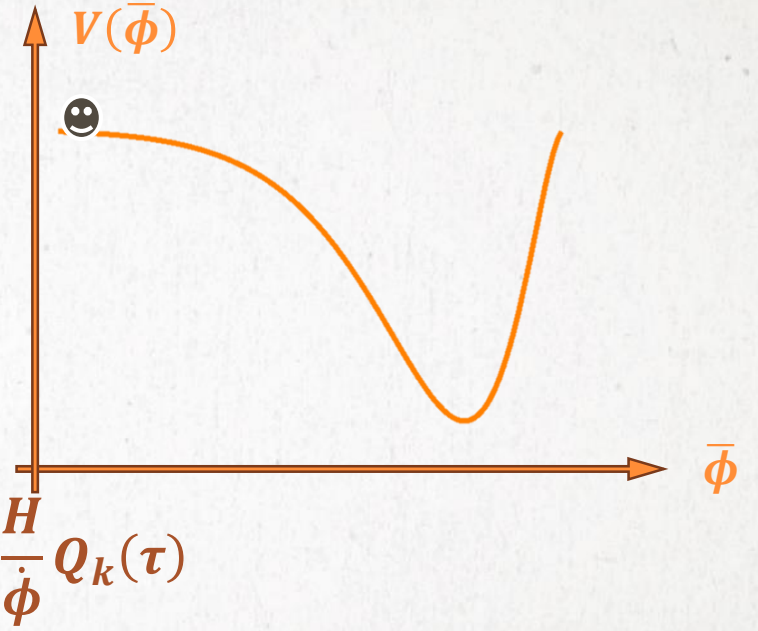
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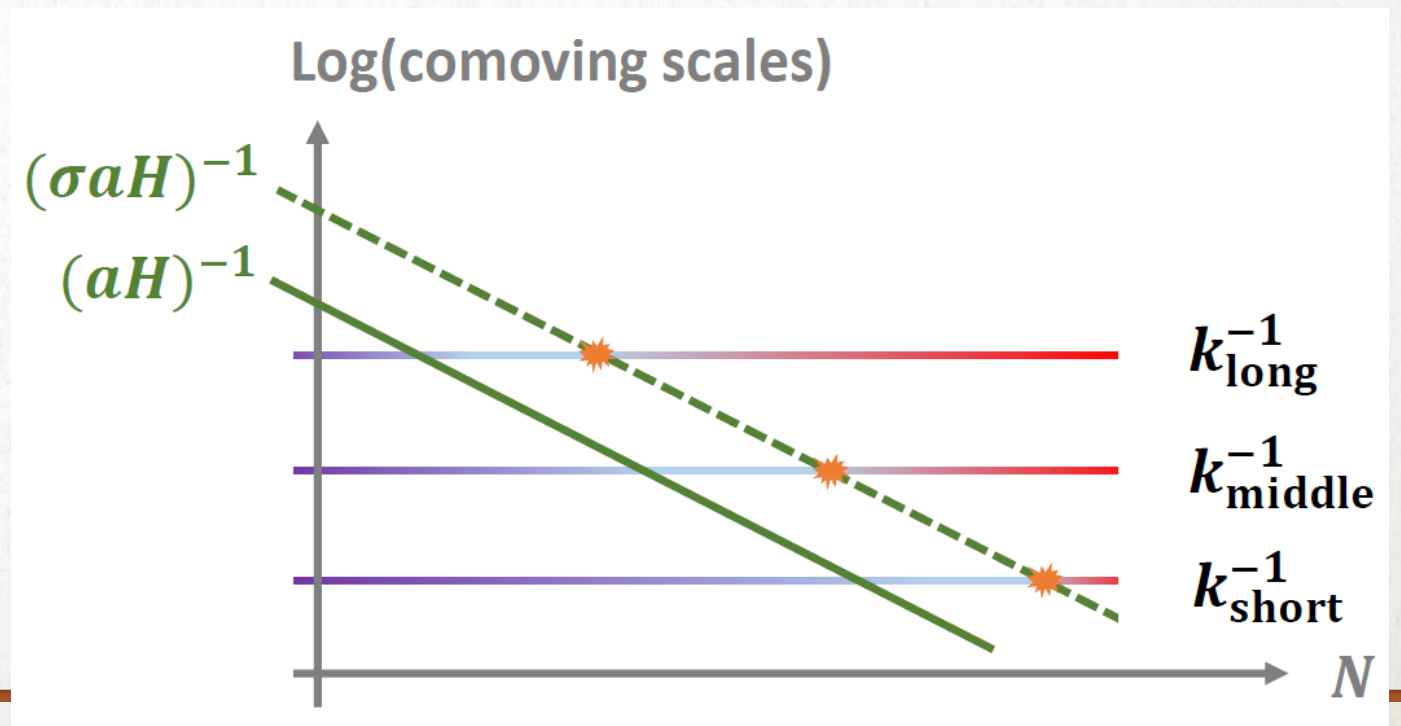
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II. STOCHASTIC INFLATION

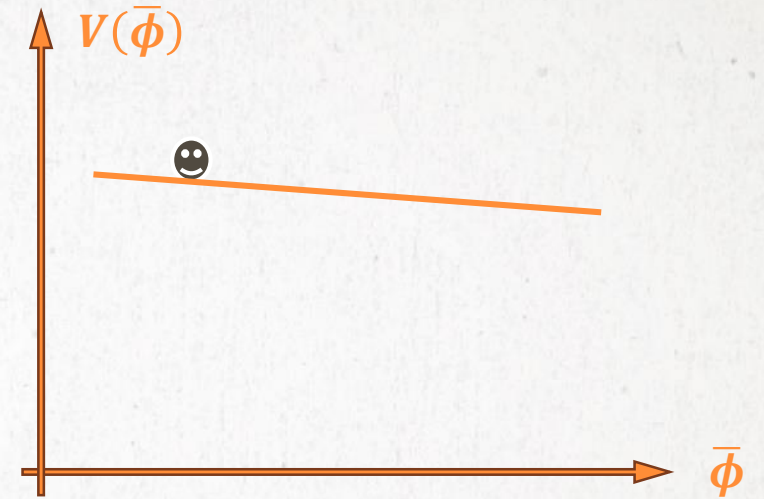
Langevin...
... and Fokker-Planck



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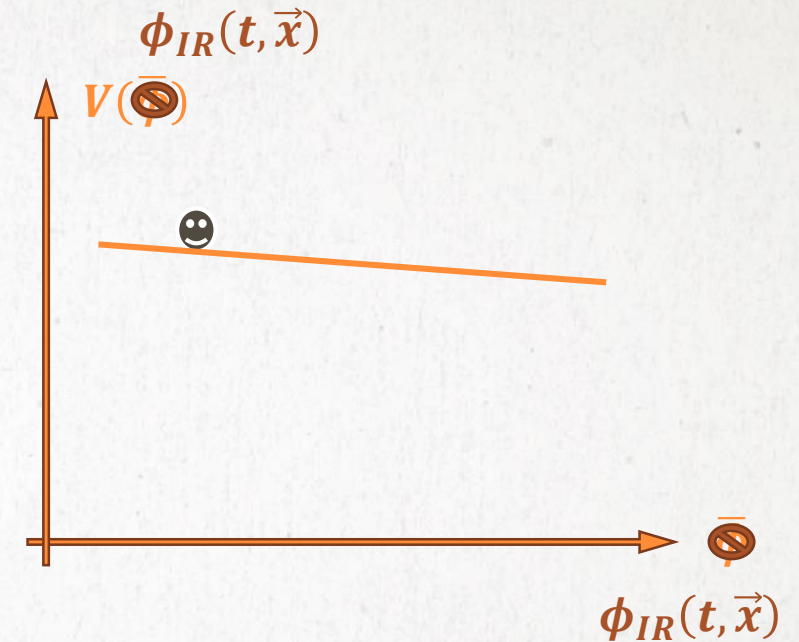


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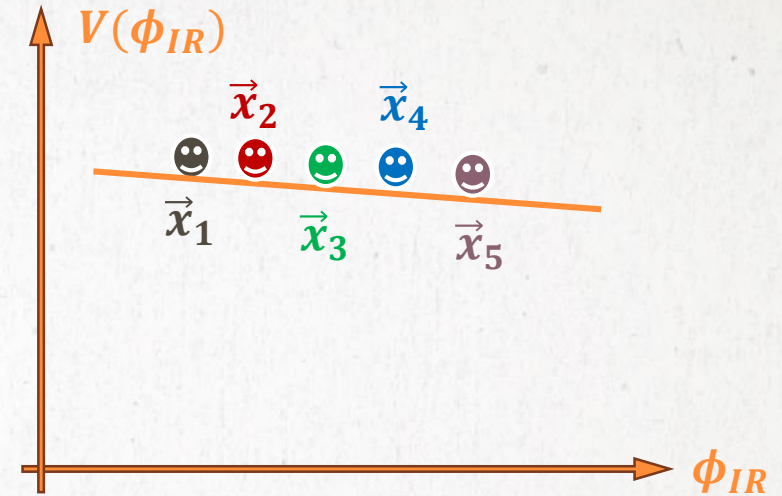
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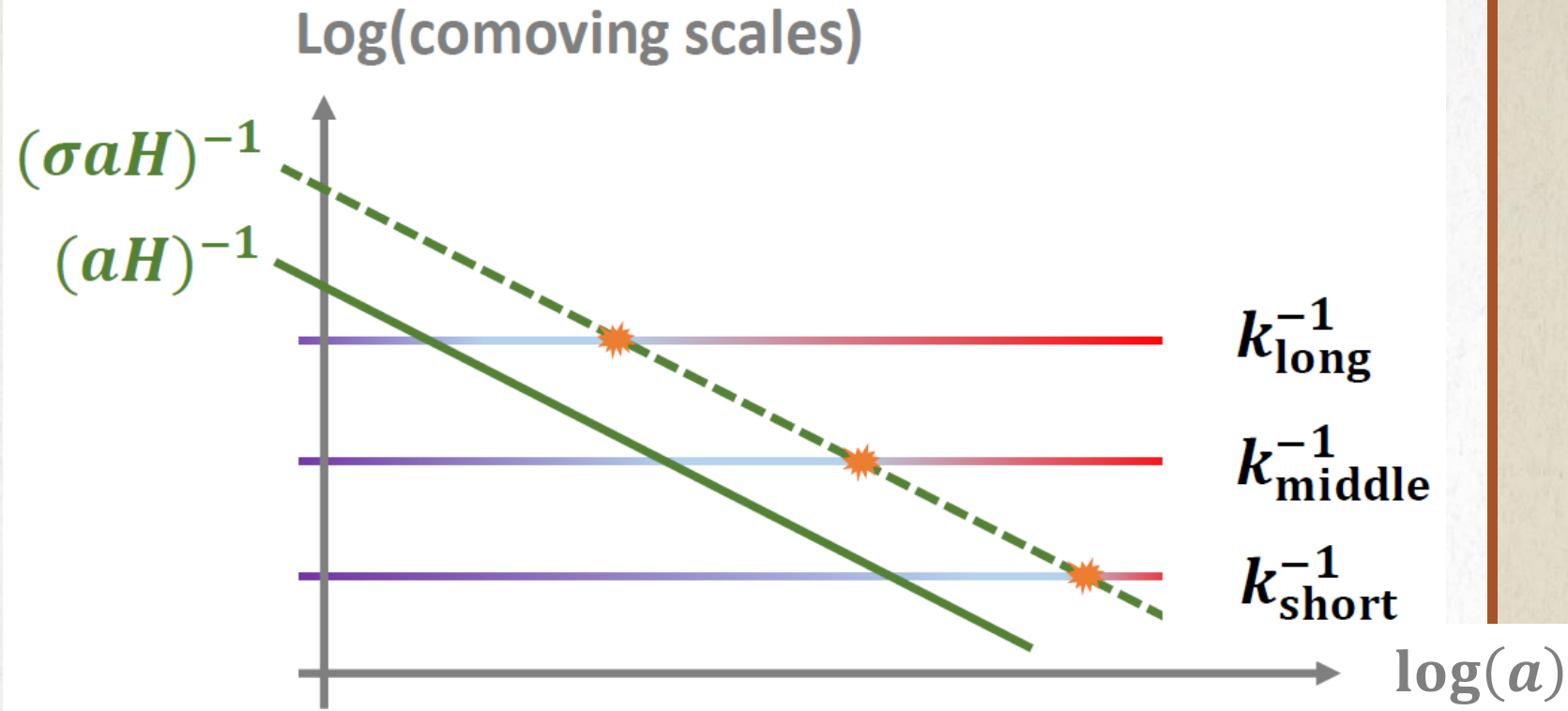
With $\phi_{UV} \ll \phi_{IR} \dots$

... but possibly large inhomogeneities on large scales

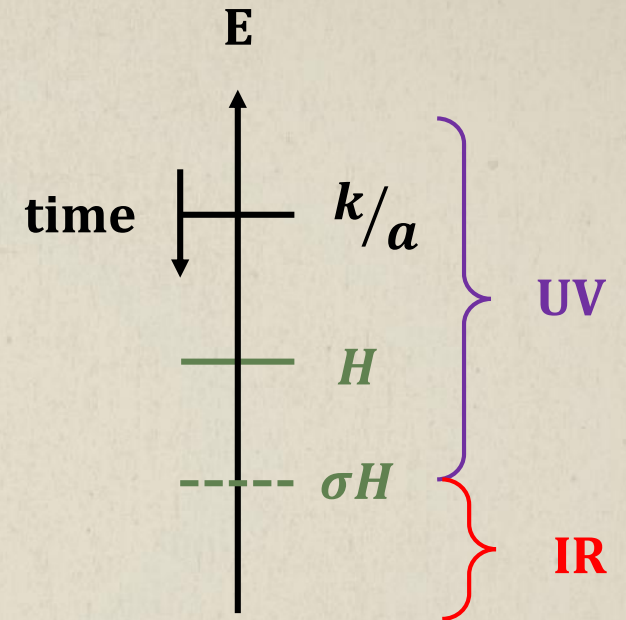
Remember that in the standard approach $\phi(t, \vec{x}) = \bar{\phi}(t) + Q(t, \vec{x})$ and all inhomogeneities are in $Q \ll \bar{\phi}$



COARSE-GRAINING

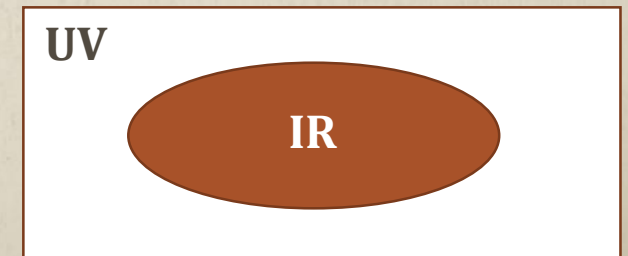


Physical scales



Security parameter: $\sigma \ll 1$

- Cut-off $(\sigma a H)^{-1}$ defines the UV and IR sectors
- Because of time-dependence, UV modes join the IR sector
- IR sector = open, out-of-equilibrium system



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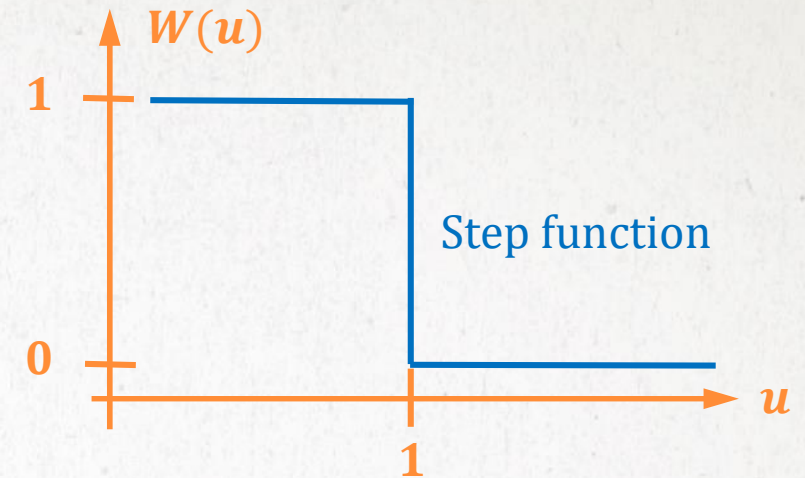
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Time-dependent window function that selects only $k < k_\sigma(N) = \sigma a H$



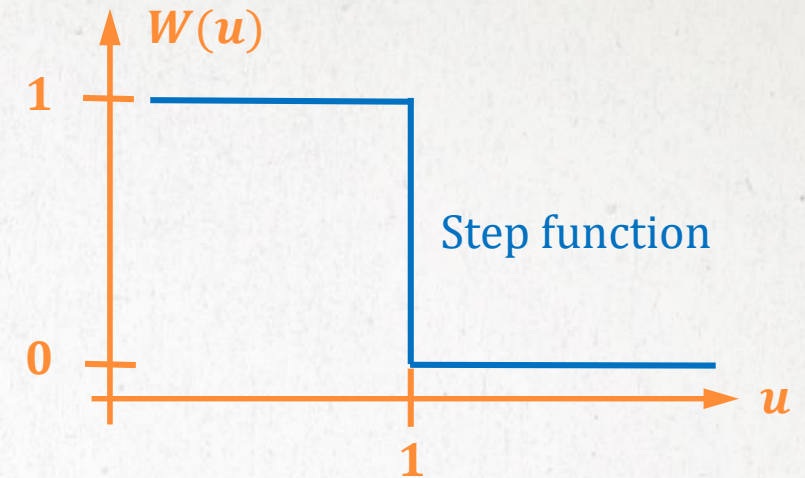
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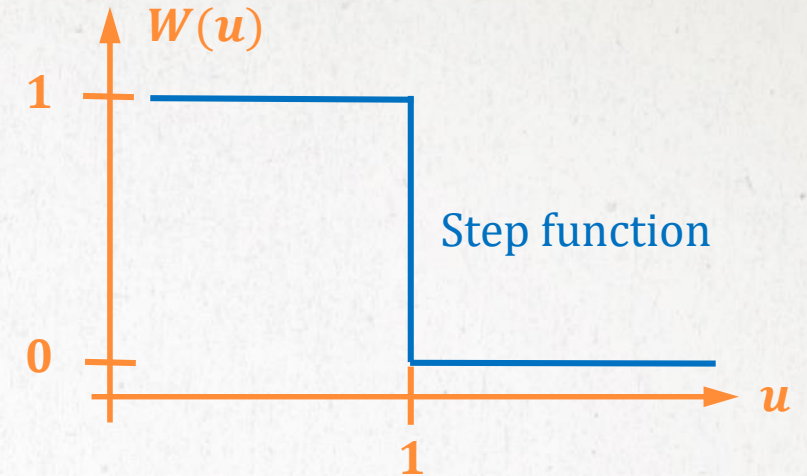
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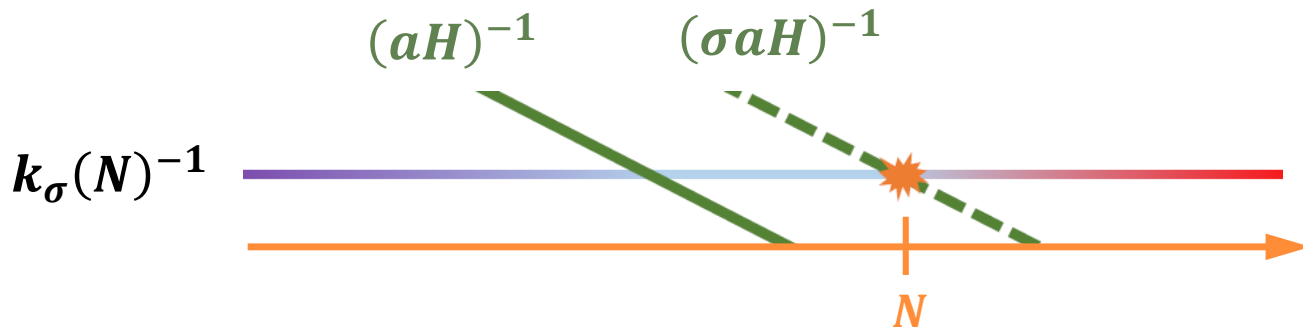
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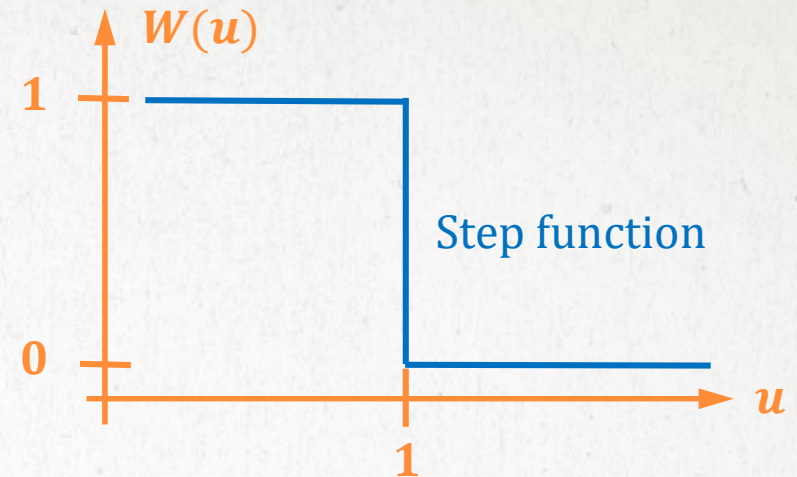
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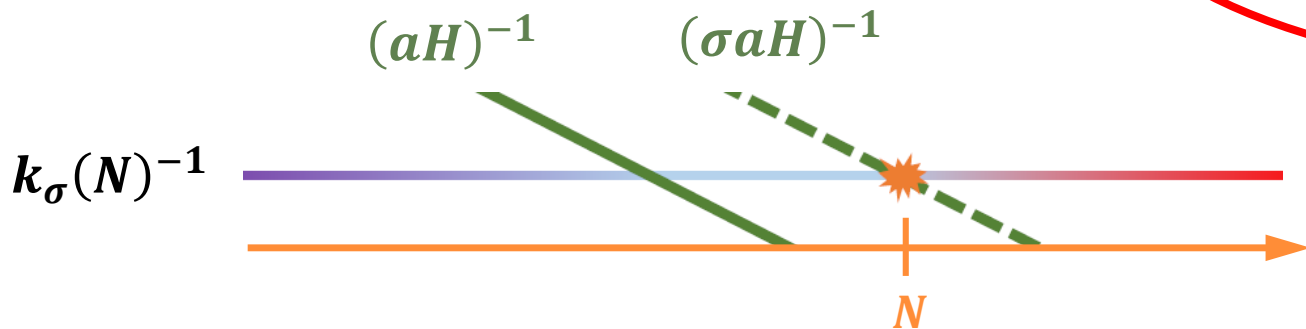
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Noise $\xi_\phi(N, \vec{x}) \propto \phi_{k_\sigma}(N)$

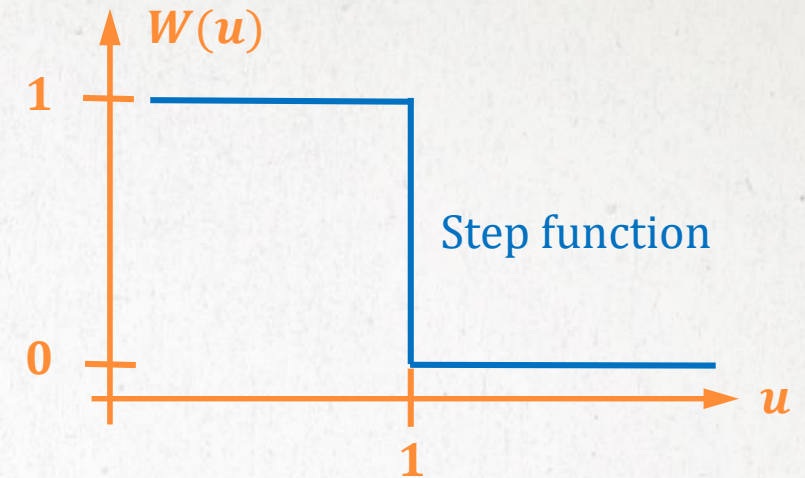
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Langevin equation (classical but stochastic)

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White noise (pointing to $\delta(N - N')$)

Spatial correlation: $r = |\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|$ (pointing to $\text{sinc}(k_\sigma r)$)

Power spectrum of linear fluctuations at the scale $k_\sigma(N)$ (pointing to $\mathcal{P}_\phi(N, k_\sigma(N))$)

FOKKER-PLANCK EQUATION

Normalised, centered Gaussian variable

Focus on 1 patch:

$\text{sinc}(k_\sigma r) \simeq 1$
for $r < 1/k_\sigma$

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Classical **drift** Noise-induced **drift** **Diffusion** of quantum origin

Total drift

Convection-diffusion equation for \mathbf{P} :

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{P}}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (v\mathbf{P}) + D \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{P}}{\partial x^2}$$

α the discretization ambiguity parameter: Itô, Stratonovich, etc.

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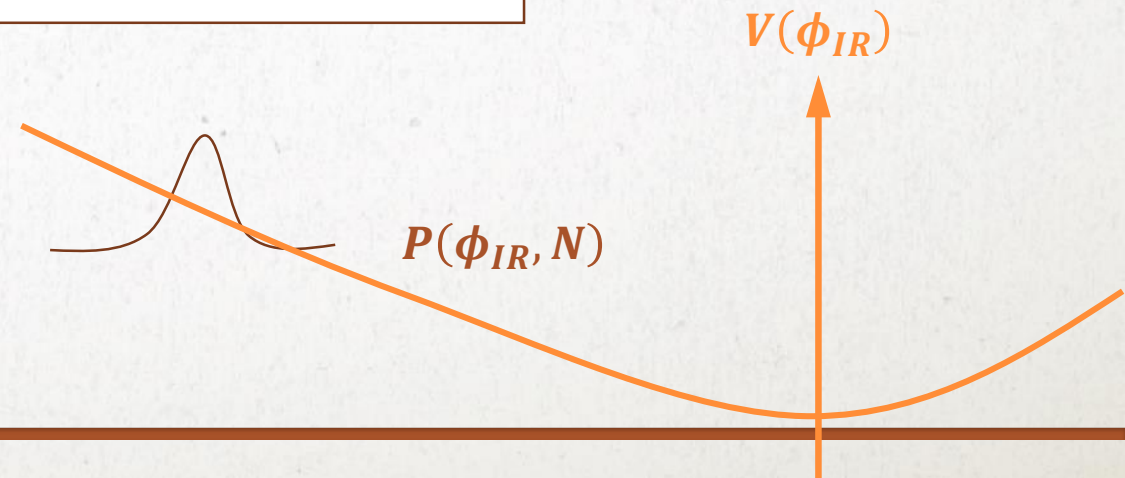
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FORMALISM: HOW TO GO FURTHER

- Better justification for the classicality of the noise
- Derivation of stochastic inflation as an EFT from the closed-time-path integral approach
- Include systems with several scalar fields with potential and kinetic couplings (non-linear sigma models)
- Include full phase-space dynamics with both positions and momenta (ϕ_{IR}^A, π_A^{IR})
- Solve the discretisation ambiguity (Itô vs. Stratonovich) and formulate a fully covariant theory

[L. Pinol, S. Renaux-Petel, Y. Tada 2018]

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Invite me for a seminar 😊 A lot to discuss...

PATH INTEGRAL DERIVATION [L. Pinol, S. Renaux-Petel, Y. Tada 2020] The Schwinger-Keldysh formalism...
 ... for cosmology Books: [Calzetta, Hu 2008] [Kamenev 2011]

➤ Path integral over a closed time contour: $\langle \text{in} | \hat{\mathcal{O}}(t) | \text{in} \rangle \neq \langle \text{in} | \hat{\mathcal{O}} | \text{out} \rangle \rightarrow \phi_{UV,IR}^{\pm}, \pi_{UV,IR}^{\pm}$

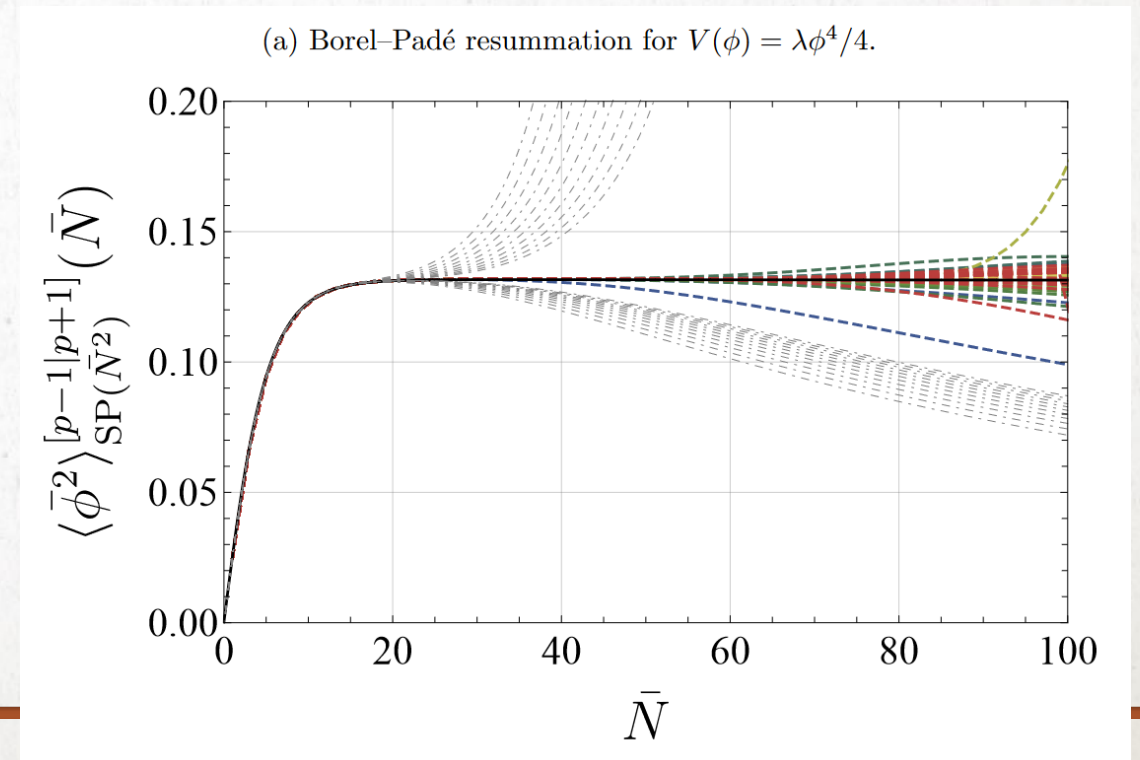
➤ Integrate out small scales: $\exp(i S_{\text{eff}}[\phi_{IR}^{\pm}, \pi_{IR}^{\pm}]) = \int \mathcal{D}\phi_{UV}^{\pm} \mathcal{D}\pi_{UV}^{\pm} \exp(i S[\phi_{IR}^{\pm} + \phi_{UV}^{\pm}, \pi_{IR}^{\pm} + \pi_{UV}^{\pm}])$
influence action

➤ Consistent expansion in quantum effects: $S_{\text{eff}} = S_{\text{cl}} + \hbar \times \phi_{IR}^{x,q} \frac{\delta S_{\text{eff}}}{\delta \phi_{IR}^{x,q}} + \mathcal{O}(\hbar^2)$
noise term

Borel resummation of secular divergences with the stochastic inflation formalism
 2023 TUG Meeting, ENS, October 12th --- Lucas Pinol

III. BOREL RESUMMATION

diverge...
... or not diverge?



TEST SCALAR FIELD IN DE SITTER: $H(\phi) \rightarrow H$

$$\frac{\partial P(\phi, N)}{\partial N} = \frac{1}{3H^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \left[\frac{dV}{d\phi} P(\phi, N) \right] + \frac{H^2}{8\pi^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi^2} [P(\phi, N)] \quad ; \quad \langle \phi^n \rangle(N) = \int d\phi \phi^n P(\phi, N)$$

$$\frac{\partial \langle \phi \rangle}{\partial N} = -\frac{1}{3H^2} \left\langle \frac{dV}{d\phi} \right\rangle ,$$
$$\frac{\partial \langle \phi^n \rangle}{\partial N} = -\frac{1}{3H^2} n \left\langle \frac{dV}{d\phi} \phi^{n-1} \right\rangle + \frac{H^2}{8\pi^2} n(n-1) \langle \phi^{n-2} \rangle \quad \text{for } n \geq 2$$



Not a closed system for any potential that is not linear or quadratic

Ansatz: $\langle \phi^n \rangle = \sum_k a_{n,k} N^k \longrightarrow$ Recurrence relations that can be solved at arbitrary finite order

MASSIVE FREE FIELD & MASSLESS INTERACTING FIELD

$$V = m^2 \phi^2 / 2$$

$n \backslash k$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	...
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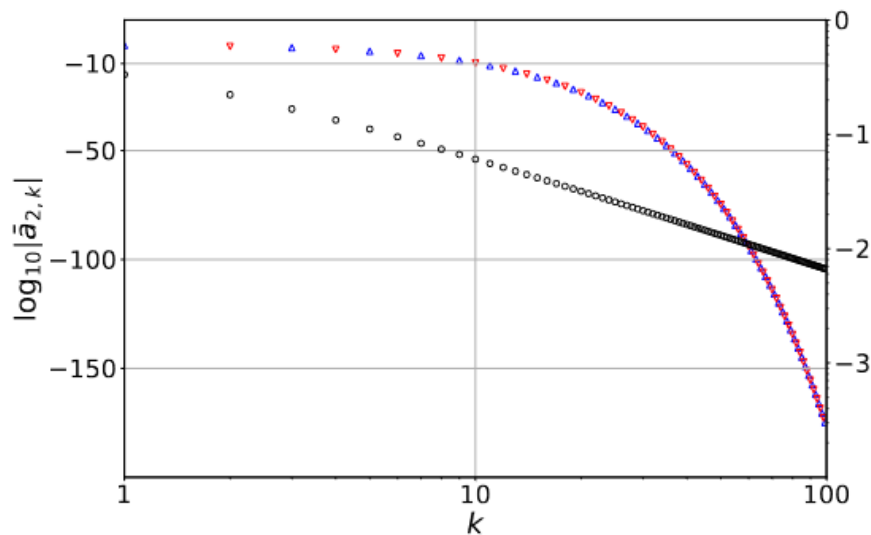
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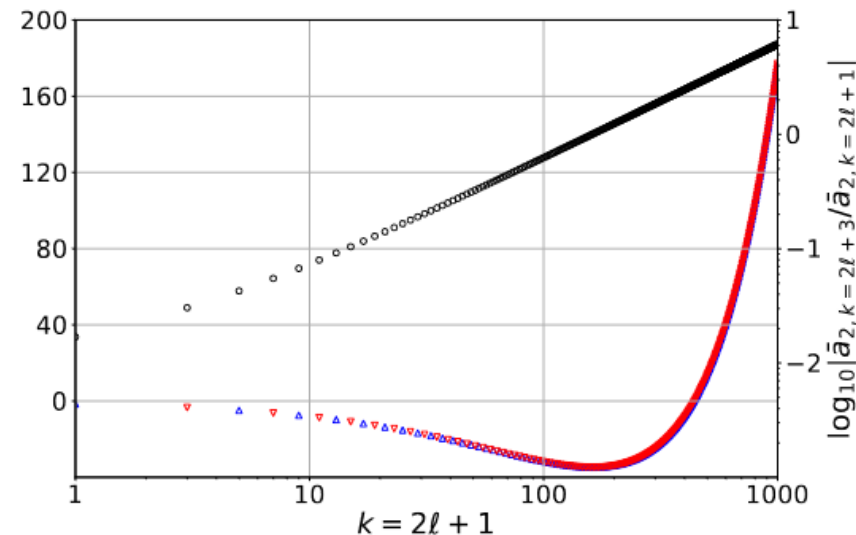
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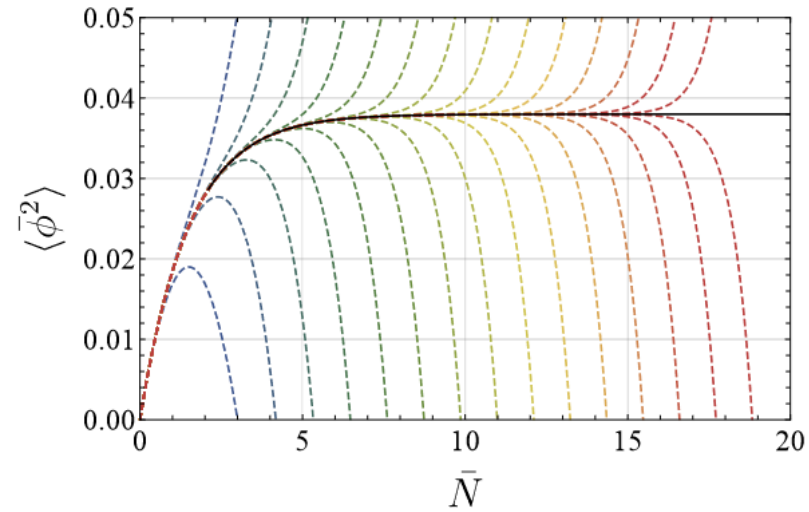
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Blue = positive $\bar{a}_{2,k}$ Red = negative $\bar{a}_{2,k}$ Black = ratio $\log(|\bar{a}_{2,k+1}/\bar{a}_{2,k}|)$ or $\log(|\bar{a}_{2,k+2}/\bar{a}_{2,k}|)$

MASSIVE FREE FIELD & MASSLESS INTERACTING FIELD

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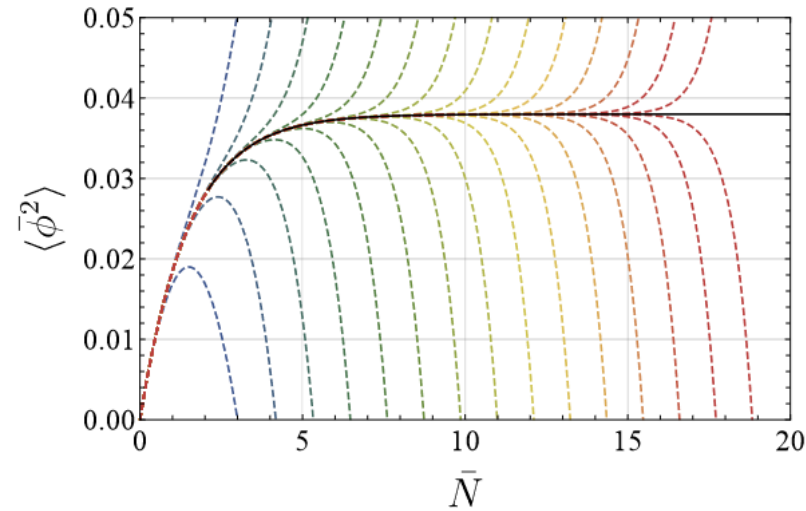


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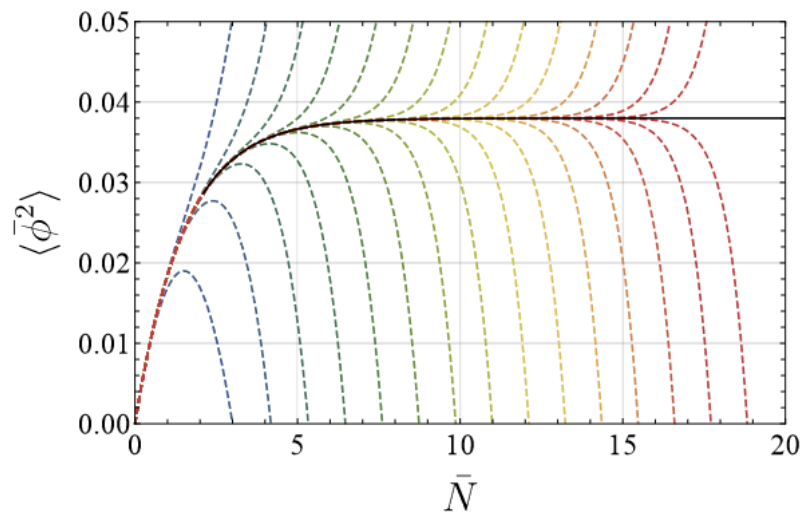
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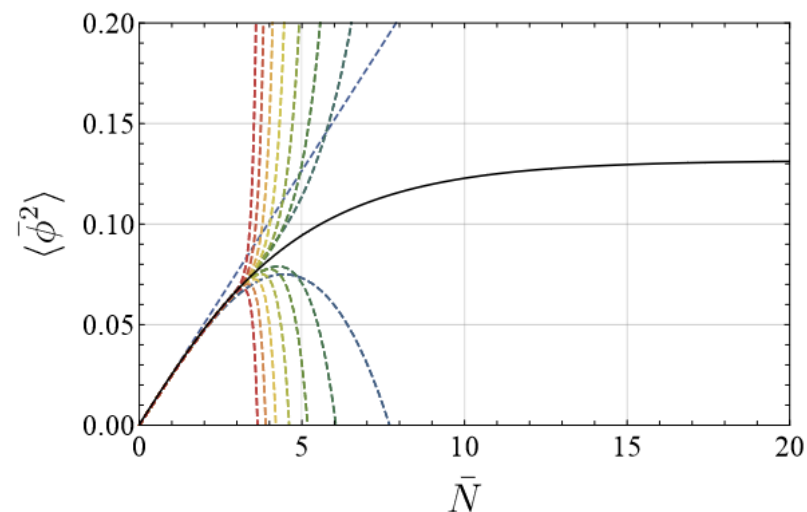
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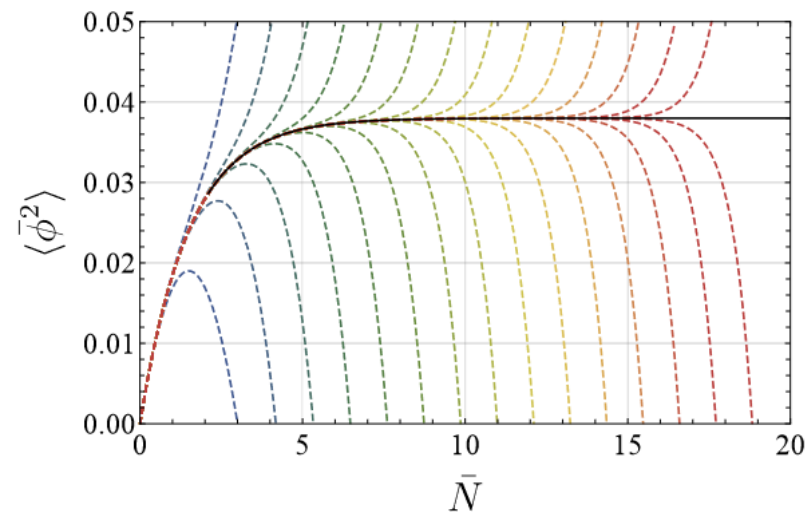


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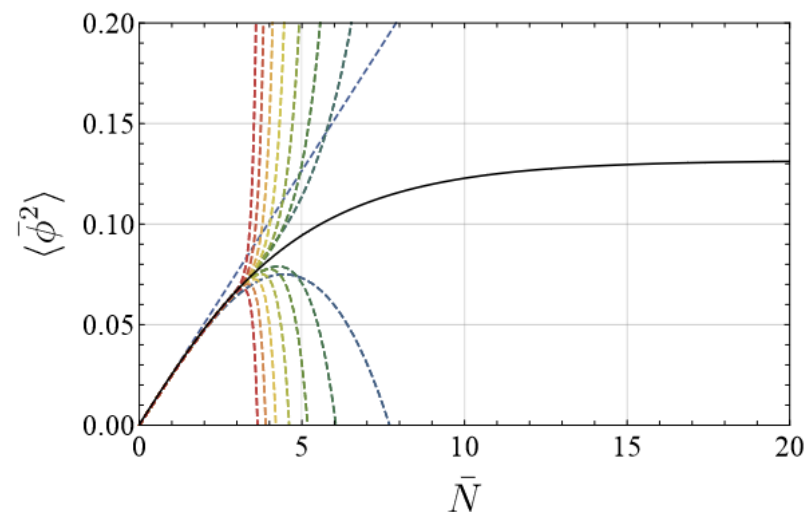
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We found a closed formula for the first time:

$$\bar{a}_{2,k} = \left(\frac{3}{2\pi^2}\right)^{1/2} \frac{(-1)^{(k-1)/2}}{k!} \left(\frac{1}{24\pi^2}\right)^{k/2} \prod_{j=0}^{k-3} \sum_{p_j=j+2}^{p_{j+1}} (2p_j - 2j - 2)(2p_j - 2j - 1)(2p_j - 2j)$$

But direct resummation is out of reach. Idea:

... use Borel summation!

BOREL SUMMATION

- Define $A(z) = \sum_k a_k z^k$ which is not necessarily convergent
- Use the Gamma function to rewrite this as an integral: $A(z) = \sum_k \frac{a_k}{k!} z^k \int dt e^{-t} t^k$ $\Gamma(k+1) = k!$
- You want to exchange sum and integral but you are **not** allowed to do so... so you **define**:

the Borel sum $A_S(z) = \int dt e^{-t} \underbrace{\sum_k \frac{a_k}{k!} (tz)^k}$

Borel transform $\tilde{A}_B(tz)$ with $\tilde{A}_B(t) = \sum_k a_k \frac{t^k}{k!}$

- Clearly, $A_S(z)$ will be more convergent than $A(z)$, also $A(z) < \infty \Rightarrow A_S(z) < \infty$ and $A_S(z) = A(z)$
 - E.g., $a_k = k! (-1)^k$ with $A(z)$ divergent, but $A_S(z) = \frac{1}{z} e^{\frac{1}{z}} \Gamma\left(0, \frac{1}{z}\right)$ is convergent for z real positive
- resums the large factorials... which we find with the stochastic formalism

MASSIVE FREE FIELD & MASSLESS INTERACTING FIELD

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- Borel transform can be computed exactly:

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1st kind modified Bessel function

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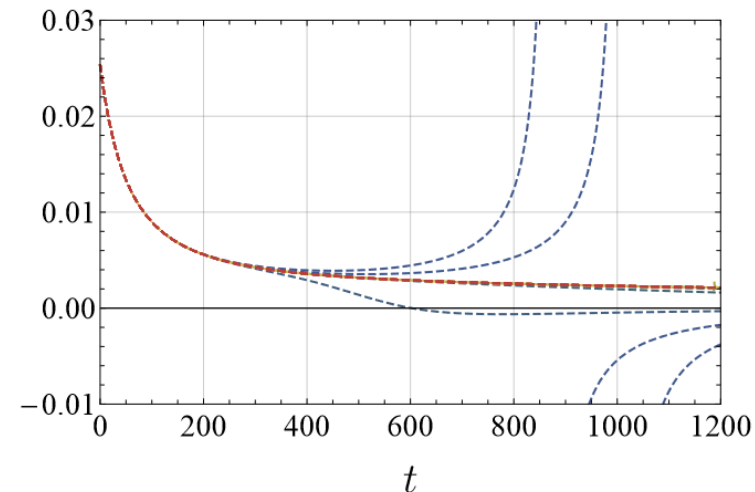
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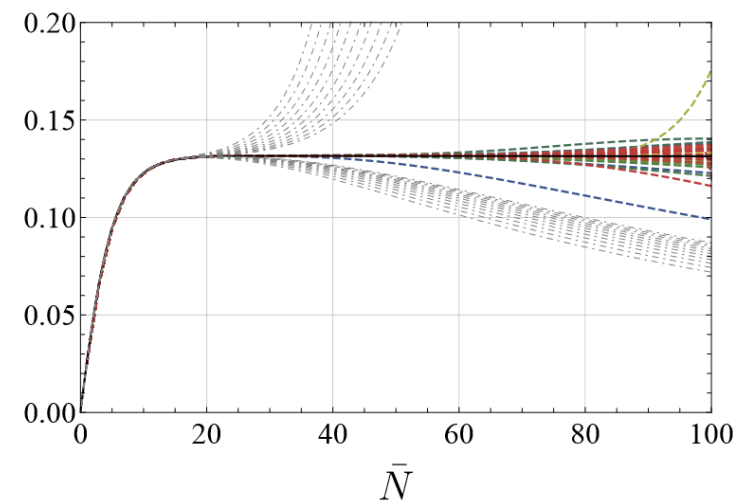
- Borel transform **cannot** be calculated exactly
- Padé approximants (analytical)

- Inverse transform of Padé approximants (analytical)

Borel-Padé transf. for $V(\phi) = \lambda\phi^4/4$.



$\langle \phi^2 \rangle / (H^2 / \sqrt{\lambda})$



blue to red is higher and higher order

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MOTIVATIONS

- Inflation should be considered a priori multifield (agnostic + concrete top-down examples)
- Test scalar fields do not participate to the expansion but do fluctuate, and their statistical properties can be tested (curvaton scenario, isocurvature fluctuations, instabilities, backreaction...)
- Reaching equilibrium may be hard, so knowing the transition regime is crucial:
 - Typical time scale $\log(a) \sim \lambda^{-1/2}$ can be very large
 - In realistic inflationary setups $H \rightarrow H(t)$ and “equilibrium” may change in a non-adiabatic way
- The setup can be extended in many directions:
 - For other potentials, e.g. double-well \rightarrow non-perturbative structure (tunneling?) through resurgence
 - For multiple test scalar fields with kinetic and potential interactions as motivated by high-energy physics
 - Resummation of the PDF itself from “all” time-dependent moments \rightarrow non-Gaussianities in the tail
 - ϕ can be the inflaton field itself \rightarrow care with discretisation ambiguity and boundary conditions

MORE TOPICS OF INTEREST TO ME

Primordial non-Gaussianities

Polyspectra

Cosmological collider, trispectrum, etc.

Stochastic inflation

Non-perturbative

You just heard a lot of that... come on!

Primordial gravitational waves

Tensor sector

Anisotropies of the SGWB, gauge fields, etc.

Primordial features and CMB data

Precision linear physics

Bayesian and machine-learning methods

Cosmic reheating

Transition epoch

Preheating instabilities, isocurvature transmission, etc.

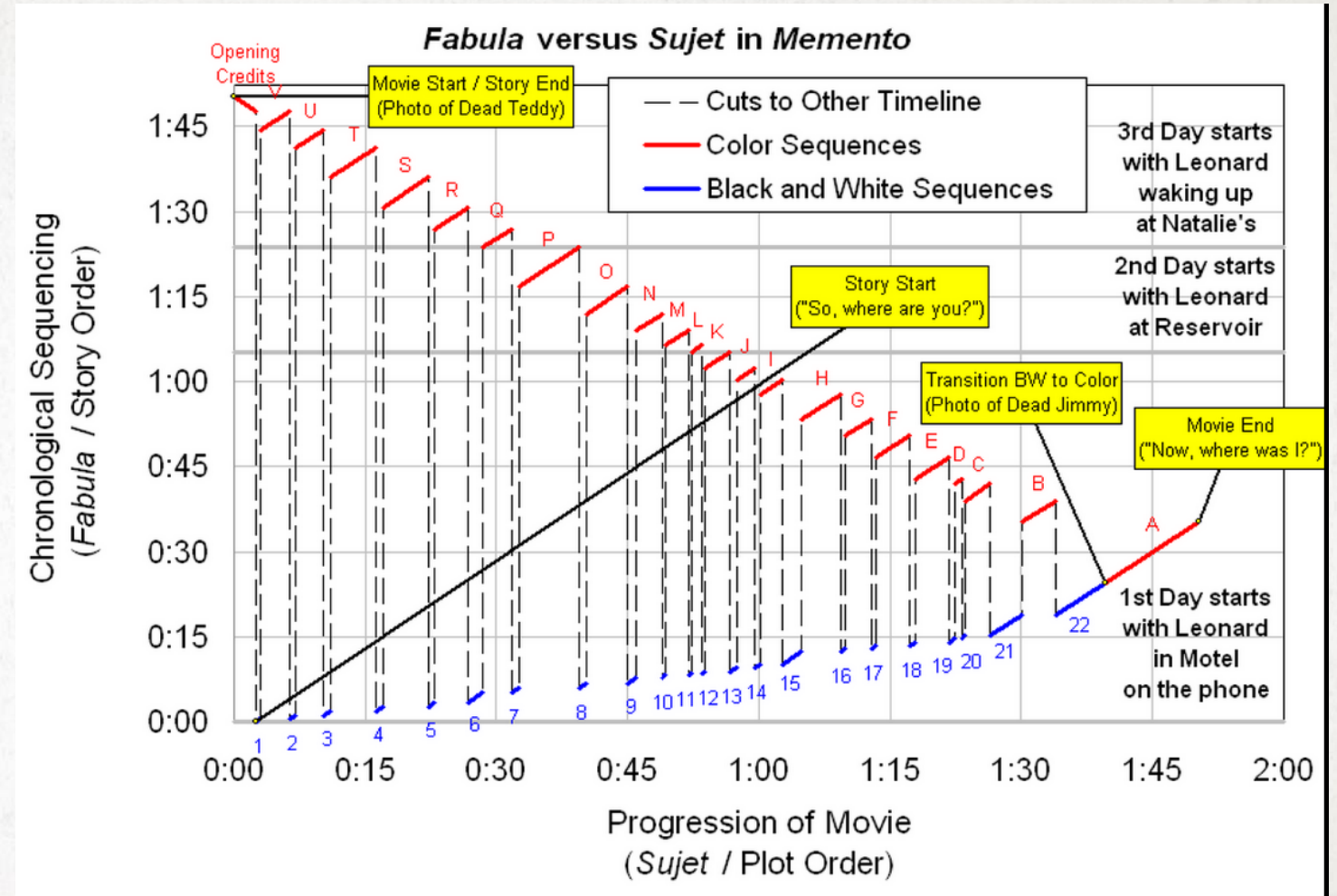


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BACK-UP SLIDES

Timeline of Nolan's movie Memento



RESURGENCE

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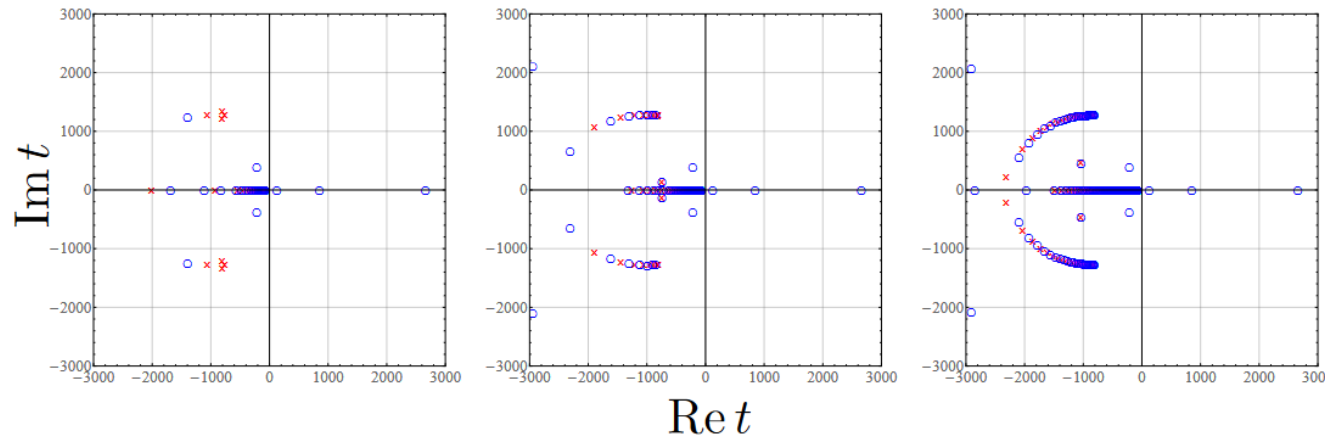
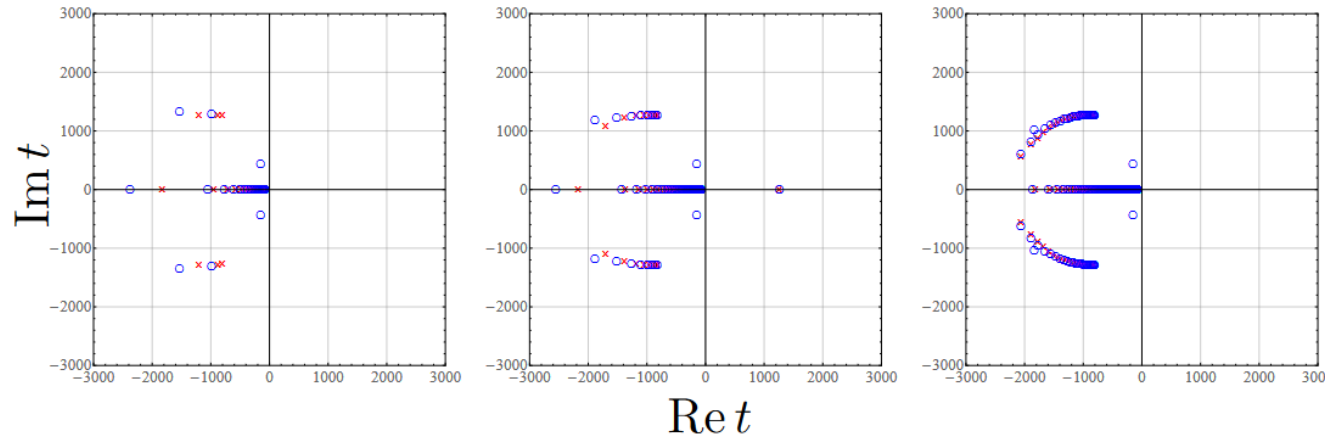
Study non-perturbative features of the theory through the poles and zeros of the Borel transform

$$\widetilde{\langle\phi^2\rangle}_B(t)$$

★ poles

○ zeros

$$\widetilde{\langle\phi^4\rangle}_B(t)$$



Order of the approx.

$p = 50$

$p = 150$

$p = 500$

No poles on the real positive axis



No ambiguity in the Borel sum



No “true” non-perturbative feature

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Alternance of poles and zeros along arcs



Branch cuts in the exact Borel transform

FULL PHASE-SPACE DYNAMICS

[L. Pinol, S. Renaux-Petel, Y. Tada 2020]

The inflationary dynamics may not always be overdamped (negligible accelerations)

The following enables to go beyond the usual approximations

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathfrak{D}\phi_{IR}^I = \frac{G^{IJ}\pi_J^{IR}}{H} + \Xi_\phi^I \\ \mathfrak{D}\pi_I^{IR} = -3H\pi_I^{IR} - \frac{V_{,I}}{H} + \Xi_I^\pi \end{array} \right.$$

$$\langle \Xi_X^I(N) \Xi_Y^J(N') \rangle = P_{XY}^{IJ}(N, k_\sigma(N)) \delta(N - N')$$

$X \in \{\phi, \pi\}$ Power spectra of the UV phase-space variables:

\mathfrak{D} is the Itô-covariant stochastic derivative

Most general result: multifield, phase-space, covariant Fokker-Planck equation

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial P}{\partial N} = & -\mathfrak{D}_{\phi_{IR}^I} \left(\frac{G^{IJ}\pi_J^{IR}}{H} P \right) + \partial_{\pi_I^{IR}} \left[\left(3\pi_I^{IR} + \frac{V_I}{H} \right) P \right] + \frac{1}{2} \mathfrak{D}_{\phi_{IR}^I} \mathfrak{D}_{\phi_{IR}^J} \left[(P_{\phi_{UV}, \phi_{UV}})^{IJ} P \right] \\ & + \mathfrak{D}_{\phi_{IR}^I} \partial_{\pi_J^{IR}} \left[(P_{\phi_{UV}}^{\pi_{UV}})^I{}_J P \right] + \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\pi_I^{IR}} \partial_{\pi_J^{IR}} \left[(P^{\pi_{UV}, \pi_{UV}})_{IJ} P \right] \end{aligned}$$

$P(\phi_{IR}, \pi^{IR}, N)$



STOCHASTIC FORMALISM FOR NON-LINEAR SIGMA MODELS

Massless + slow-variation

$$\mapsto \left(\frac{H}{2\pi}\right)^2 G^{IJ}$$

- Slow-roll: $\frac{d\phi_{IR}^I}{dN} = -\left(\frac{G^{IJ}V_{,J}}{3H^2}\right)_{\phi_{IR}} + \Xi^I$ $\langle \Xi^I(N)\Xi^J(N') \rangle = P_{\phi_{UV}}^{IJ}(N, k_\sigma(N))\delta(N - N')$

[L. Pinol, Y. Tada, S. Renaux-Petel 2018]

Covariant generalisation of single-field case

- New difficulties:

- Find a square-root of the noise amplitude matrix: $G^{IJ} = g^I_\alpha g^J_\alpha$ *vielbeins: not unique*
- Enforce covariance of the equations (also in SF, but more visible in MF): Itô calculus & the standard chain rule
- Links with the discretisation ambiguity: choice of α more critical

FOKKER-PLANCK EQUATION FOR NON-LINEAR SIGMA MODELS

$$\frac{d\phi_{IR}^I}{dN} = - \left(\frac{G^{IJ} V_{,J}}{3H^2} \right)_{\phi_{IR}} + \left(\frac{H}{2\pi} g_{\alpha}^I \right)_{\phi_{IR}} \xi^{\alpha}$$

Massless + slow-variation

$$\langle \xi^{\alpha}(N) \xi^{\beta}(N') \rangle = \delta^{\alpha\beta} \delta(N - N')$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{P}}{\partial N} = D_I \left(\frac{G^{IJ} V_{,J}}{3H^2} \mathbf{P} \right) + \alpha D_I \left[\frac{H}{2\pi} g_{\alpha}^I D_J \left(\frac{H}{2\pi} g_{\alpha}^J \mathbf{P} \right) \right] + \left(\alpha - \frac{1}{2} \right) \frac{1}{\sqrt{G}} \partial_I \partial_J \left[\sqrt{G} \left(\frac{H}{2\pi} \right)^2 G^{IJ} \mathbf{P} \right]$$

Classical drift

Noise-induced drift + diffusion

Extra diffusion

$$\text{Multi-dimensional convection-diffusion equation: } \frac{\partial P}{\partial t} = \vec{\nabla}(\vec{v}P) + \vec{\nabla}(D\vec{\nabla}P)$$

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Extra diffusion: **not covariant!**

$\mathbf{D}_I X^J = \boldsymbol{\partial}_I X^J - \Gamma_{IK}^J X^K$: covariant field-space derivative

BAD

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INTRIGUING

ITO AND STRATONOVICH

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(Strato if you get intimate)

Stratonovic, $\alpha = 1/2$

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$= G^{IJ}$

- **Not covariant** under field redefinitions
- **No dependence** on the choice of vielbeins:

Well-known **difficulty** in statistical physics:
so-called Itô calculus does not verify the standard
chain rule for the derivative of composite functions

$$d[f(N, \phi_{IR}(N))] =_\alpha \left[\partial_N f + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \alpha \right) \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \phi_{IR}^2} \times \text{noise}(\phi_{IR}) \right] dN + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \phi_{IR}} d\phi_{IR}$$

but Stratonovich does!

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- **Well covariant** under field redefinitions
- **Dependence** on the arbitrary choice of vielbeins

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Moral

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*No more ambiguity in the
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[Graham 1974]

The correction going from Strato to Itô is exactly what is needed to define the covariant Itô derivative!

For (ϕ, χ) with $G = \text{Diag} \left(1, e^{-\frac{\phi}{M}} \right)$ and $V = \lambda \phi^4$ we find e.g. $\langle \phi^2 \rangle = \frac{H_0^2 N}{4\pi^2} \left(1 + \frac{H_0^2 N}{16\pi^2 M^2} - \frac{\lambda N^2}{6\pi^2} + \dots \right)$

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$P(\phi_{IR}, \pi^{IR}, N)$