

Cosmological structure problems of

the pre-big-bang ← Veneziano - Gasperini et al

and the ekpyrotic (cyclic) scenarios

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Steinhardt - Turok et al

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Perturbed world model

E. M. Lifshitz (46)

Notations:

Bardeen (88)

$$ds^2 = -(1 + 2\alpha) dt^2 - \chi_{,\alpha} dt dx^\alpha + a^2 \left[g_{\alpha\beta}^{(3)} (1 + 2\varphi) + 2C_{\alpha\beta} \right] dx^\alpha dx^\beta$$

← shear
← curvature
GW

$$T_0^0 = -(\bar{\mu} + \delta\mu), \quad T_\alpha^0 = -\frac{1}{k}(\mu + p) \tilde{v}_\alpha, \quad T_\beta^\alpha = (\bar{p} + \delta p) \delta_\beta^\alpha$$

← velocity

Equation of motion:

Field-Shepley (68); Lukash (80); Mukhanov (85)

$$\begin{aligned} v'' + \left(c_A^2 k^2 - \frac{z''}{z} \right) v &= 0 \\ u'' + \left(c_A^2 k^2 - \frac{(1/\bar{z})''}{(1/\bar{z})} \right) u &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$v \equiv z\Phi, \quad u \equiv \frac{1}{8\pi G} \frac{a}{H\bar{z}} \Psi; \quad z \equiv a\sqrt{Q}, \quad \bar{z} \equiv c_A z$$

$$\begin{cases} \Phi = \varphi_{\bar{v}}, & Q = \frac{\mu+p}{c_s^2 H^2}, & c_A^2 \rightarrow c_s^2 & (\text{fluid}) \\ \Phi = \varphi_{\delta\phi}, & Q = \frac{\phi^2}{H^2}, & c_A^2 \rightarrow 1 & (\text{field}) \\ \Phi = C_\beta^\alpha, & Q = \frac{1}{8\pi G}, & c_A^2 \rightarrow 1 & (\text{GW}) \end{cases}$$

$$\varphi_{\bar{v}} \equiv \varphi - \frac{aH}{k} \tilde{v}, \quad \varphi_{\delta\phi} \equiv \varphi - \frac{H}{\phi} \delta\phi, \quad \Psi \equiv \varphi_\chi \equiv \varphi - H\chi$$

Perturbed action:

Lukash (80); Mukhanov (88)

$$\delta^2 S = \frac{1}{2} \int a^3 Q \left(\dot{\Phi}^2 - c_A^2 \frac{1}{a^2} \Phi^{|\alpha} \Phi_{,\alpha} \right) dt d^3 x$$

Large-scale solution: ($z''/z \gg c_A^2 k^2$, etc)

LS

$$\begin{aligned} v \propto \mathcal{R} &= \Phi(\mathbf{x}, \eta) = C(\mathbf{x}) + 2 \nabla^2 d(\mathbf{x}) \int_0^\eta \frac{d\eta}{z^2} \\ u \propto \Phi_H &= \Psi(\mathbf{x}, \eta) = 4\pi G C(\mathbf{x}) \frac{1}{x} \int_0^\eta \bar{z}^2 d\eta + d(\mathbf{x}) \frac{1}{x}, \quad x \equiv \frac{a}{H} \end{aligned}$$

! compare!

Generalized Gravity

- $f(\phi, R)$ gravity: CQG 7 1613 (90); PRD 54 1460 (96)

$$S = \int \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{1}{2} f(\phi, R) - \frac{1}{2} \omega(\phi) \phi^{;a} \phi_{,a} - V(\phi) + L_c \right] d^4x$$

Cases

Minimally coupled scalar field	$L = \frac{1}{16\pi G} R - \frac{1}{2} \phi^{;a} \phi_{,a} - V(\phi)$
Nonminimally coupled scalar field	$L = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{8\pi G} - \xi \phi^2 \right) R - \frac{1}{2} \phi^{;a} \phi_{,a} - V(\phi)$
Brans-Dicke theory	$L = \frac{1}{16\pi} \left(\phi R - \omega \frac{\phi^{;a} \phi_{,a}}{\phi} \right)$
Induced gravity	$L = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon \phi^2 R - \frac{1}{2} \phi^{;a} \phi_{,a} - \frac{1}{4} \lambda (\phi^2 - v^2)^2$
R^2 gravity	$L = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \left(R - \frac{R^2}{6M^2} \right)$
→ Low-energy string theory	$L = \frac{1}{2} e^{-\phi} (R + \phi^{;a} \phi_{,a})$

- Stringy corrections: PRD 61 043511 (00); PRD 64 103504 (01)

$$L_c = -\frac{1}{2} \alpha' \lambda \xi(\phi) [c_1 (R^{abcd} R_{abcd} - 4R^{ab} R_{ab} + R^2) + c_2 G^{ab} \phi_{,a} \phi_{,b} + c_3 \square \phi \phi^{;a} \phi_{,a} + c_4 (\phi^{;a} \phi_{,a})^2]$$

- Axion coupling: PRD 61 084026 (00)

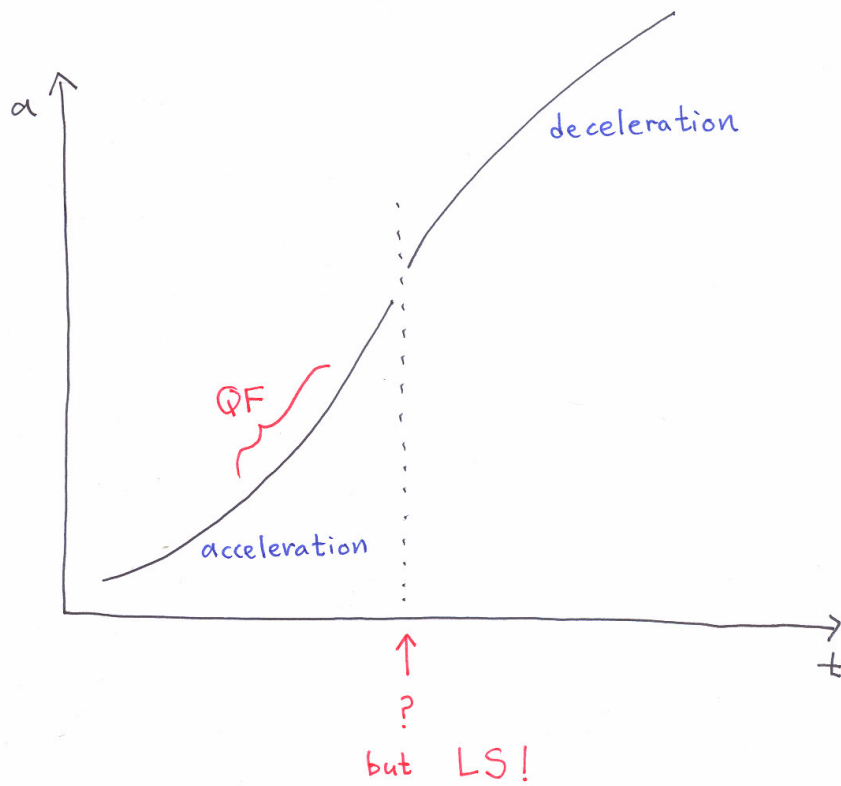
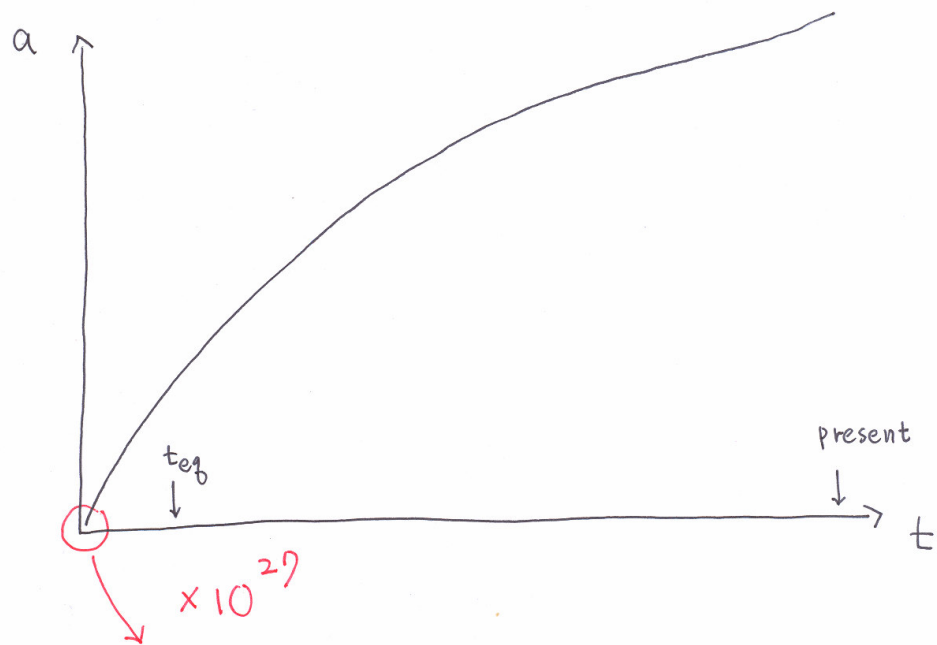
$$L_c = \frac{1}{8} \nu(\phi) \left(\eta^{abcd} R_{ab}{}^{ef} R_{cdef} \right)$$

- Tachyonic coupling: PRD 66 084009 (02)

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \frac{1}{2} f(R, \phi, X), \quad X \equiv \frac{1}{2} \phi^{;a} \phi_{,a}$$

⇒ u, v equations and solutions available in the same forms.

Inflation

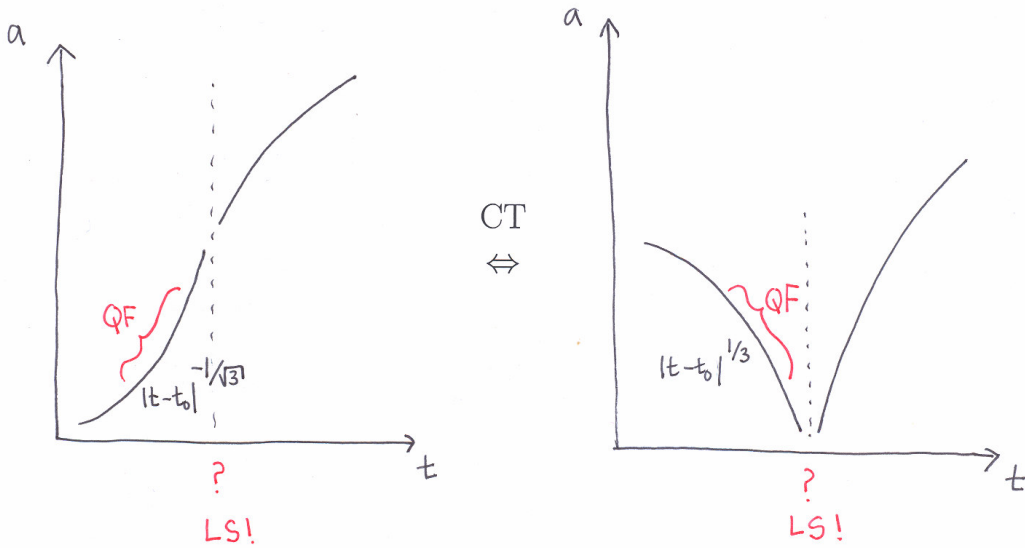


Pre-big bang ← string theory low-energy effective action

Veneziano (91)

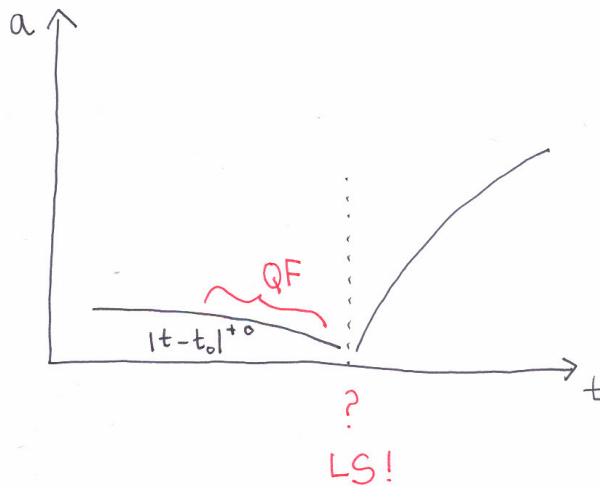
String frame

Einstein frame



Eckpyrotic (cyclic) ← brane cosmology ← string/M-program

Khoury-Steinhardt-Turok et al (01-03)



Quantum Generation

Action:

$$\delta^2 S = \frac{1}{2} \int a^3 Q \left(\dot{\Phi}^2 - c_A^2 \frac{1}{a^2} \Phi^{|\alpha} \Phi_{,\alpha} \right) dt d^3 x$$

Quantization:

$$[\hat{\Phi}(\mathbf{x}, t), \dot{\hat{\Phi}}(\mathbf{x}', t)] = \frac{i}{a^3 Q} \delta^3(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')$$

Mode function solution, assuming $a\sqrt{Q} \propto |\eta|^q$: $c_A = \text{constant}$

$$\Phi_{\mathbf{k}}(\eta) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi|\eta|}}{2a\sqrt{Q}} [c_1(k) H_\nu^{(1)}(c_A k |\eta|) + c_2(k) H_\nu^{(2)}(c_A k |\eta|)]$$

$$\nu \equiv \frac{1}{2} - q, \quad |c_2(k)|^2 - |c_1(k)|^2 = 1$$

Power spectra:

1. In the large scale limit: CQG 15 1387, 1401 (98)

$$\mathcal{P}_{\hat{\Phi}}^{1/2}(\mathbf{k}, \eta) = \frac{H}{2\pi} \frac{\Gamma(\nu)}{\Gamma(3/2)} \frac{1}{aH|\eta|} \left(\frac{k|\eta|}{2} \right)^{3/2-\nu} \frac{1}{c_A^\nu \sqrt{Q}}$$

- For $\nu = 0$ we have additional $2 \ln(c_A k |\eta|)$ factor
- For $\hat{\Phi} = \hat{C}_\beta^\alpha$ we need additional $\sqrt{2}$ factor
- General vacuum dependences:

$$|c_2(\mathbf{k}) - c_1(\mathbf{k})|, \quad \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\ell} |c_{\ell 2}(\mathbf{k}) - c_{\ell 1}(\mathbf{k})|^2}$$

2. Identify

$$\mathcal{P}_{\hat{\Phi}} \equiv \mathcal{P}_{\Phi}$$

3. The growing modes of Φ are conserved in the large scale

Spectral indices:

$$n_S - 1, \quad n_T \equiv \frac{\partial \ln \mathcal{P}_{\Phi}}{\partial \ln k}$$

^{2dFGRS}
CMB and LSS observations: $n_S = 0.97 \pm 0.03$ without running

WMAP data: $n_S = 0.93^{+0.034}_{-0.035}$ Spergel, et al, astro-ph/0302209

Inflation vs. other scenarios

Power-law expansion:

Einstein gravity: Lucchin-Matarresse (85)

$$a \propto |t|^p, \quad V = -\frac{p(1-3p)}{8\pi G} e^{-\sqrt{16\pi G/p}\phi}$$

Power spectra: Stewart-Lyth (93)

$$n_S - 1 \simeq \frac{2}{1-p} \simeq n_T$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{C_{\alpha\beta}}^{1/2} = (2/\sqrt{p}) \mathcal{P}_{\varphi\delta\phi}^{1/2}$$

Power-law inflation: $p \gg 1$

$$n_S - 1 \simeq 0 \simeq n_T, \quad \mathcal{P}_{C_{\alpha\beta}} \ll \mathcal{P}_{\varphi\delta\phi}$$

Harrison-Zel'dovich spectrum!

Pre-big bang scenario (original frame):

$$f = e^{-\phi} R, \quad \omega = -e^{-\phi}, \quad V = 0: \rightarrow a \propto |t - t_0|^{-1/\sqrt{3}}$$

$$n_S - 1 \simeq 3 \simeq n_T, \quad \mathcal{P}_{C_{\alpha\beta}} = 12 \mathcal{P}_{\varphi\delta\phi}$$

Too blue; fails observationally!

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Pre-big bang scenario (Einstein frame): $p = \frac{1}{3}$

$$n_S - 1 \simeq 3 \simeq n_T, \quad \mathcal{P}_{C_{\alpha\beta}} = 12 \mathcal{P}_{\varphi\delta\phi}$$

Observable results are conformally invariant!

Brustein et al (95)

Ekpyrotic (cyclic) scenario: $0 < p \ll 1$

$$n_S - 1 \simeq 2 \simeq n_T, \quad \mathcal{P}_{C_{\alpha\beta}} \gg \mathcal{P}_{\varphi\delta\phi}$$

Too blue and no scalar perturbation generated.

Singular bounce: perturbation theory breaks down.

(02)
Lyth (02), PRD 65 063514
Brandenberger-Finelli
Lyth (02) (02)

Troubles in ekpyrotic (cyclic) scenario

- **Singular bounce:**

In collapsing phase the d -mode unambiguously becomes singular

\Rightarrow **perturbation theory breaks down!** Bardeen (80); Lyth (02)

Whether the singular bounce is possible is unclear

- **Nonsingular-smooth bounce:**

nonlinear transition is likely to occur during the collapsing phase

- **Nonsingular-smooth bounce + valid linear theory:**

Large-scale conditions ($z''/z \gg c_A^2 k^2$) well met during the bounce.

(i) using the known **matching conditions** (see below) twice

(ii) using the **exact asymptotic solution**

$\Rightarrow \Phi = C$ mode survives after the bounce! PRD **65** 124010 (02)

- **Khoury et al.** resort to a **strange (unjustified) matching conditions** to recover the d mode of Ψ (which happens to have a $n_s \simeq 1$ spectrum) as the growing solution after the bounce.

$$\epsilon_m = \epsilon_0 D(\eta) + \epsilon_2 E(\eta), \quad \epsilon_m = \delta_v$$

$$\epsilon_0, \quad \epsilon_2 \quad \text{continuous}$$

The known **gauge-invariant matching variables:** ApJ **382** 363 (91)

$$\varphi_\chi (= \Phi_H), \quad \varphi_\delta (= \zeta_{\text{Bardeen}})$$

- **Why is d -mode of Ψ not interesting?**

d -mode of Ψ diverges more strongly than the one of Φ , and

“this overstates the physical strength of the singularity”

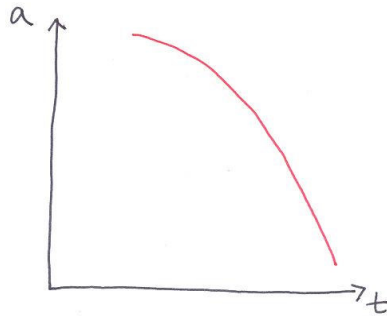
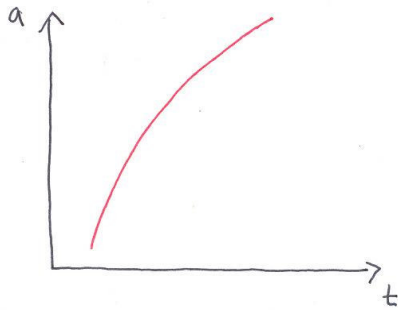
Bardeen (80)

Thus, d -mode of Ψ **exaggerates the perturbation** compared with the d -mode of Φ .

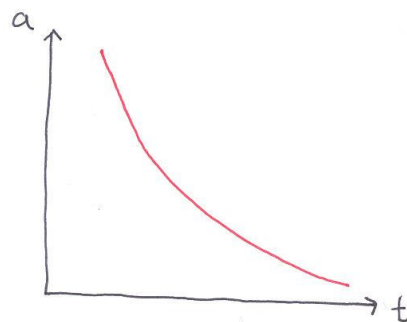
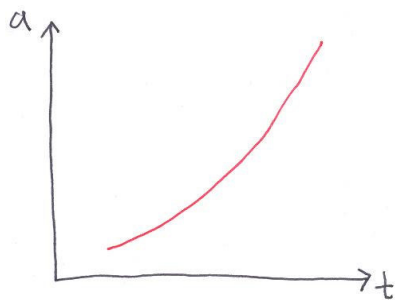
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 $n_s \simeq 5!$

$w \equiv P/\mu = \text{constant, flat:}$

- $w > -\frac{1}{3}$ $\rightarrow a \propto |t|^p, p < 1$:

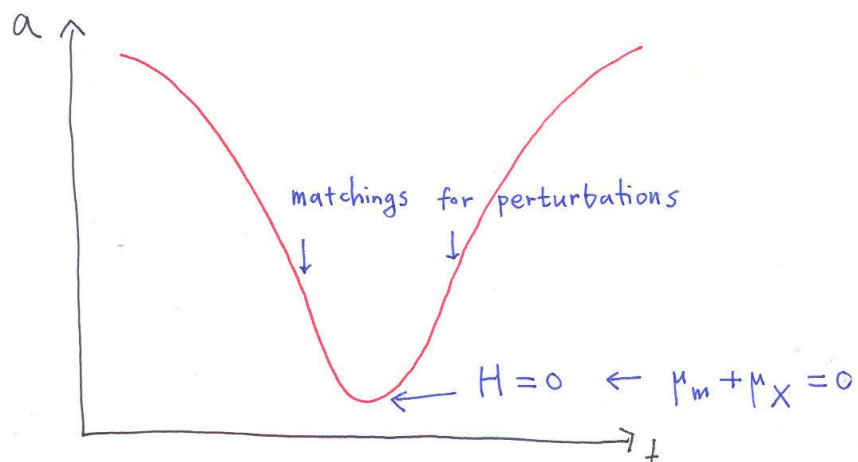


- $w < -\frac{1}{3}$ $\rightarrow a \propto |t|^p, p > 1$:



- Additional exotic matter, $\mu_X \propto -a^{-6}$, say:

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Conclusions

- Quantum fluctuations \Rightarrow classical seed fluctuations
 \Rightarrow CMB anisotropy, large-scale structure
- Generated seeds depend sensitively on the expansion/contraction rate during the quantum generation stage
- Inflation has enough parameter space for successful structure formation.
In fact, there are “too many” successful specific realizations.
- Pre-big bang and Ekpyrotic (cyclic) scenarios fail observationally!
 - In fact, **no mechanism for singular bounce is known.**
 - **Perturbation breaks down inevitably near singularity.**
 - In case the linear perturbation remains valid under a nonsingular smooth bounce
 \Rightarrow generated spectra are **too blue with negligible amplitude** for Ekpyrotic (cyclic) scenario.
- Thus, either the scenarios **fail** to produce the LSS
or we **cannot rely on** the linear perturbation theory.
- Additional fields (axion, moduli, curvaton) could save the situations with some unnatural tunings, of course.