

Nonminimally Coupled Scalar Field in R²-inflation

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 Typical potential for 'inflation + massive field', where oscillatetions will be generated. (Borrowed from Chen, Namjoo & Wang 2015, see also Yi Wang's talk)



• Chen, Namjoo & Wang 2015:

$$\sim (1 - e^{-\phi^2/M^2})$$



Our model: (see also Minxi He's talk; Mori, Kohri & White 2017)

$$\sim \left(1 - e^{-\phi/M_{\rm Pl}}\right)^2$$

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Setup

 We propose the Lagrangian as the Starobinsky R² gravity plus a scalar field χ, nonminimally coupled to gravity

$$S_{J} = \int d^{4}x \sqrt{-g} \left\{ \frac{M_{\rm Pl}^{2}}{2} \left(R + \frac{R^{2}}{6M^{2}} \right) - \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_{\mu}\chi \partial_{\nu}\chi - V(\chi) - \frac{1}{2} \xi R\chi^{2} \right\}$$

- Recall Minxi He's talk if χ is explained as Higgs boson.
- $V(\chi)$ is potential for χ , which we pick for the small-field form: $V(\chi)=V_0-(1/2)m^2\chi^2+...$ (Recall Yipeng Wu's talk for a similar potential from SSB)
- ξ -term is the non-minimally coupled term to solve the initial condition problem. Another version of SSB in χ direction.

Setup

- It has been proved that the action with *R*² is equivalent to Einstein-Hilbert action plus one scalar field (scalaron). (Whitt 1984, Maeda 1988)
- After transferred to Einstein frame, our model becomes Hilbert Einstein action with two scalar fields: scalaron φ + light field χ, with nontrivial metric in field space (Mizuno's talk)

$$S_{E} = \int d^{4}x \sqrt{-\tilde{g}} \cdot \left\{ \frac{M_{\rm Pl}^{2}}{2} \tilde{R} - \frac{1}{2} \tilde{g}^{\mu\nu} \partial_{\mu} \phi \partial_{\nu} \phi - \frac{1}{2} e^{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\phi}{M_{\rm Pl}}} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_{\mu} \chi \partial_{\nu} \chi - \frac{3}{4} M^{2} M_{\rm Pl}^{2} \left(1 - e^{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\phi}{M_{\rm Pl}}} + e^{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\phi}{M_{\rm Pl}}} \xi \frac{\chi^{2}}{M_{\rm Pl}^{2}} \right)^{2} - e^{-2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\phi}{M_{\rm Pl}}} V(\chi) \right\}$$

EoM

• The equations of motion:

$$3M_{\rm Pl}^2 H^2 = \frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2 + F^{-1}\frac{1}{2}\dot{\chi}^2 + \frac{3}{4}M^2 M_{\rm Pl}^2 \left[1 - F^{-1}\left(1 - \xi\frac{\chi^2}{M_{\rm Pl}^2}\right)\right]^2 + F^{-2}V(\chi),$$
$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} + \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}M^2 M_{\rm Pl}F^{-1}\left\{1 - \xi\frac{\chi^2}{M_{\rm Pl}^2} + \frac{\dot{\chi}^2}{3M^2 M_{\rm Pl}^2} - F^{-1}\left[\left(1 - \xi\frac{\chi^2}{M_{\rm Pl}^2}\right)^2 + \frac{4V}{3M^2 M_{\rm Pl}^2}\right]\right\} = 0,$$

$$\ddot{\chi} + \left(3H - \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\frac{\dot{\phi}}{M_{\rm Pl}}\right)\dot{\chi} + 3M^2 \left[1 - F^{-1}\left(1 - \xi\frac{\chi^2}{M_{\rm Pl}^2}\right)\right]\xi\chi + F^{-1}V'(\chi) = 0,$$

• with
$$F = \exp\left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)$$
 and $V(\chi) = V_0 - \frac{1}{2}m^2\chi^2 + \cdots$,

Slow-roll EoM

• The slow-roll version of equations of motion:

$$3H\dot{\phi} = -\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}e^{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\frac{\phi}{M_{\rm Pl}}} \left(1 - e^{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\frac{\phi}{M_{\rm Pl}}} \left(1 + \frac{4}{\mu^2}\right)\right) M^2 M_{\rm Pl},$$
$$\left(3H - \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\frac{\dot{\phi}}{M_{\rm Pl}}\right)\dot{\chi} + 3M^2 e^{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\frac{\phi}{M_{\rm Pl}}} \left[\xi \left(e^{\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\frac{\phi}{M_{\rm Pl}}} - 1\right) - \frac{m^2}{3M^2}\right]\chi = 0.$$

• We have defined an important mass parameter

$$\mu^2 \equiv \frac{3M^2 M_{\rm Pl}^2}{V_0},$$

- which is the mass *M* measured by *H* at $\phi = 0$.
- The relations in φ go back to Starobinsky model for $\,\mu \to \infty$





 We have the ``later end of inflation", for V₀ can become important at the end of the first stage of inflation.

Some Conditions

- Late end of first stage: $F_* = 1.18 + \frac{1.92}{\mu}$ (Starobinsky model $F_* \approx 2.6$)
- If μ is not too large, the transition between two stages does not violate the inflation. (see Polarski & Starobinsky 1992)
- We will focus on this range, for $2 < \mu < 8.95$.
- To solve the initial conditions, we require ξ to be positive and small: $\xi < m^2/M^2$.
- If ξ is too small, the initial condition for the small field inflation for χ will again arise. So in our model we require ξ is not too smaller than O(m^2/M^2).
- In the first stage, ϕ dominates inflation, and the curvature perturbation can be calculated by δN formalism. (Sasaki & Stewart 1995)

Power Spectrum in the First Stage

• We use δN formalism to calculate the power spectrum in the first stage $2U^2 - (1 - 2E^{-1} + E^{-2} (1 + 4/u^2))^2$

$$\begin{split} P_{\zeta} &= N_{,\phi}^2 \langle \delta \phi^2 \rangle = \frac{3H^2}{32\pi^2 M_{\rm Pl}^2} \left(\frac{1 - 2F^{-1} + F^{-2} \left(1 + 4/\mu^2 \right)}{F^{-1} + F^{-2} \left(1 + 4/\mu^2 \right)} \right) \\ &= \frac{3M^2}{128\pi^2 M_{\rm Pl}^4} \frac{\left(1 - 2F^{-1} + F^{-2} \left(1 + 4/\mu^2 \right) \right)^3}{\left(F^{-1} + F^{-2} \left(1 + 4/\mu^2 \right) \right)^2}, \\ &= \frac{V_0}{24\pi^2 M_{\rm Pl}^4} \left(\frac{3}{16} \mu^2 \right) \frac{\left(1 - 2F^{-1} + F^{-2} \left(1 + 4/\mu^2 \right) \right)^3}{\left(F^{-1} + F^{-2} \left(1 + 4/\mu^2 \right) \right)^2}, \end{split}$$

• With the slow-roll parameters

$$\epsilon_{H}^{(1)} = \frac{8}{3} \frac{\left(F - \left(1 + 4/\mu^{2}\right)\right)^{2}}{\left(F^{2} - 2F + \left(1 + 4/\mu^{2}\right)\right)^{2}},$$

$$\eta_{H}^{(1)} = \frac{8}{3} \frac{F\left(F^{2} - 2F\left(1 + 4/\mu^{2}\right) + \left(1 + 4/\mu^{2}\right)\right)}{\left(F^{2} - 2F + \left(1 + 4/\mu^{2}\right)\right)^{2}}$$

Transition to the Second Stage

- After ϕ stops slow-rolling, it becomes a "heavy field", and we can use the EFT method to integrate it out. (Tolley & Wyman 2009, Achucarro, Gong, Hardeman, Palma & Patel 2010.)
- The ϕ field goes to a ``gelaton" solution

$$\frac{\phi_g}{M_{\rm Pl}} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \ln \frac{\left(1 - \xi \frac{\chi^2}{M_{\rm Pl}^2}\right)^2 + \frac{4V(\chi)}{3M^2 M_{\rm Pl}^2}}{1 - \xi \frac{\chi^2}{M_{\rm Pl}^2} + \frac{2X}{3M^2 M_{\rm Pl}^2}}$$

• And the effective action at this trajectory is

$$S_{g} = \int d^{4}x \sqrt{-g} \left\{ \frac{M_{\rm Pl}^{2}}{2}R + \frac{X\left(1 - \xi \frac{\chi^{2}}{M_{\rm Pl}^{2}}\right) + \frac{X^{2}}{3M^{2}M_{\rm Pl}^{2}} - V(\chi)}{\left(1 - \xi \frac{\chi^{2}}{M_{\rm Pl}^{2}}\right)^{2} + \frac{4V(\chi)}{3M^{2}M_{\rm Pl}^{2}}} \right\}$$

Second Stage

• The inflation is now dominated by the scalar field χ , and the background evolution can be easily solved as

$$\chi = \chi_* \exp\left[-\frac{m^2 M_{\rm Pl}^2}{V_0} \left(N - N_*\right)\right] = \chi_* e^{-\frac{\eta_H^{(2)}}{2} \left(N - N_*\right)},$$

$$\epsilon_H^{(2)} \equiv -\frac{\dot{H}_g}{H_g^2} = \frac{1}{2M_{\rm Pl}^2} \left(\frac{\partial \chi}{\partial N}\right)^2 \frac{1}{1 + 4/\mu^2} = \frac{m^4 M_{\rm Pl}^2}{2V_0^2} \frac{\chi^2}{1 + 4/\mu^2} = \frac{\eta_H^{(2)2}}{8} \frac{(\chi/M_{\rm Pl})^2}{1 + 4/\mu^2}.$$

$$\eta_H^{(2)} \equiv \frac{\dot{\epsilon}_H^{(2)}}{H_g \epsilon_H^{(2)}} = -\frac{\partial \ln \epsilon_H^{(2)}}{\partial N} = \frac{2m^2 M_{\rm Pl}^2}{V_0}.$$

Second Stage

- But we know that ϕ does not lie on ϕ_g from the beginning: it rolls down to it from the Starobinsky plateau.
- The evolution of ϕ is just a classical perturbation to the "gelaton" trajectory ϕ_g : $\phi = \phi_g + \Delta \phi$
- And the oscillation of ϕ can be solved as perturbations to the EFT solution.

$$\ddot{\Delta\phi} + 3H\dot{\Delta\phi} + \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}M^2 M_{\rm Pl} \left(1 - e^{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\frac{\Delta\phi}{M_{\rm Pl}}}\right) e^{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\frac{\Delta\phi}{M_{\rm Pl}}} \frac{\left(1 + \frac{2X}{3M^2 M_{\rm Pl}^2}\right)^2}{1 + \frac{4V}{3M^2 M_{\rm Pl}^2}} = 0.$$

• After that we can linearize it and find its solution.

Second Stage

• The solution is

$$\frac{\Delta\phi}{M_{\rm Pl}} = e^{\frac{3}{2}(N-N_*)} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \ln \frac{F_*(\mu)}{1+\frac{4}{\mu^2}} \sqrt{1+\Upsilon^2} \cos\left[\left(\frac{\mu^2}{1+4/\mu^2} - \frac{9}{4}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} (N-N_*) + \arctan\Upsilon\right],$$
$$\Upsilon = \left(\frac{\mu^2}{1+4/\mu^2} - \frac{9}{4}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left[\frac{3}{2} - \frac{4}{3} \frac{F_* - 1 - 4/\mu^2}{F_*^2 - 2F_* + 1 + 4/\mu^2} \left(\ln\frac{F_*}{1+4/\mu^2}\right)^{-1}\right]$$

- There is oscillation only for $\mu \gtrsim 2.08$
- There is also an upper bound for not violate inflation during the transition: $\mu \lesssim 8.95$

- Since ϕ is a heavy field, its perturbations are exponentially suppressed.
- We can use δN formalism to calculate the power spectrum in the second stage, mainly contributed by the quantum fluctuations of χ .
- The dependence of e-folding number can be calculated by its slow-roll EoM, which is dynamically coupled to $\Delta\phi$.

$$3H\left(1-\frac{1}{3}\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\frac{\dot{\phi}}{HM_{\rm Pl}}\right)\dot{\chi} + e^{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\frac{\phi}{M_{\rm Pl}}}V'(\chi) = 0.$$

$$\frac{\partial N}{\partial \chi} = \frac{2}{\eta_H^{(2)} \chi} \left(1 + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\Delta \phi}{M_{\rm Pl}} + \frac{1}{3} \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\partial}{\partial N} \frac{\Delta \phi}{M_{\rm Pl}} \right).$$
$$\langle \delta \chi \delta \chi \rangle = F \langle \delta \hat{\chi} \delta \hat{\chi} \rangle = e^{\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\phi}{M_{\rm Pl}}} \left(\frac{H}{2\pi} \right)^2 \approx \left(1 + \frac{4}{\mu^2} \right) \left(1 + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\Delta \phi}{M_{\rm Pl}} \right) \left(\frac{H}{2\pi} \right)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}} &= \left(\frac{\partial N}{\partial \chi}\right)^2 \langle \delta \chi \delta \chi \rangle, \\ &= \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}^{(0)} \left\{ 1 - \frac{2}{3} e^{\frac{3}{2}(N-N_*)} \ln \frac{F_*}{1 + \frac{4}{\mu^2}} \sqrt{1 + \Upsilon^2} \left[\omega \sin \left(\omega(N-N_*) + \tan^{-1} \Upsilon\right) \right] \right\}^2, \end{aligned}$$

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Order 1 pre-factor



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Application at large scales: Large scale anomaly



Application at small scales: PBH as dark matter

- If the peak of density spectrum has exceeded some critical value δ_c (~0.4), there will be PBH formation when the mode re-enters the horizon. (Carr, Kühnel, Sandstad 2016)
- Initial mass fraction:

$$\beta(M) \sim \int_{\delta_c}^{\infty} P(\delta(M_H)) d\delta(M_H)$$

• For a Gaussian probability distribution:

$$\beta(M) = \operatorname{erfc}\left(\frac{\delta_c}{\sqrt{2}\sigma(M_H)}\right)$$

- M_H is the horizon mass at re-entry, and $\sigma(M_H)$ is the variance of its PDF.
- And β can be transferred to the mass spectrum today by

$$f \sim 10^9 \left(\frac{M}{M_{\odot}}\right)^{1/2} \beta(M)$$

Application at small scales: PBH as dark matter

- On CMB scales $\sigma(M_H) \approx 10^{-5}$, and β is exponentially suppressed.
- At transition there is a huge enhancement of the power spectrum, where σ(M_H) may be around σ(M_H)≈10⁻². And a significant amount of PBHs may be produced at the reentry.



Carr, Kühnel & Sandstad 2016. Borrowed from Anne Green's slides.





However, the wave effect may weaken the constraints at 10²⁰~10²⁴ g, Takada, talk@IPMU, see also Inomata et. al. 2017











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Summary

- R^2 +scalar field = two-field with non-trivial field metric.
- Scalar field may provide a second stage inflation after the end of Starobinsky-stage.
- The transition of two stages may give enhanced features on the power spectrum.
- This enhanced ``feature" can be used to produce PBHs as dark matter.

Thank you!