Parametric Amplification of primordial fluctuations during inflation

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Introduction

High precision data on CMB anisotropies

Nearly scale-invariant primordial power spectrum (PPS) + small deviations



Basic idea of our work



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Our model



Inflation

But,...

Does the oscillations affect the background evolution?

- Couplings would violate slow-roll conditions.

$$\lambda \chi^2 \phi^2 \to \delta \eta_V = \frac{2\lambda \bar{\chi}^2}{3H^2} \ll \mathcal{O}(10^{-2})$$

parametric resonance is inefficient.

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, $(\partial \phi \cdot \partial \chi)^2$,...

<u>Our model</u>

Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2} (\partial \phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2} (\partial \chi)^2 + \frac{\lambda_{d1}}{4\Lambda^4} (\partial \phi)^2 (\partial \chi)^2 + \frac{\lambda_{d2}}{4\Lambda^4} (\partial \phi \cdot \partial \chi)^2 + \cdots$$
$$-V(\phi) - \frac{m^2}{2} \chi^2,$$
$$\equiv \Lambda^4 K(X^{IJ}) - V(\phi) - \frac{m^2}{2} \chi^2.$$
$$(X^{IJ} \equiv -g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi^I \partial_\nu \phi^J / (2\Lambda^4), \ \phi^1 \equiv \phi, \ \phi^2 \equiv \chi$$

Standard terms + *derivative* couplings between the inflaton and the heavy scalar field

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We analyze the model under an assumption,

$$\frac{\dot{\chi}^2}{\Lambda^2} < 1 \longrightarrow$$
 Higher order terms

Background evolution

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Background EOM

$$\dot{\pi}_1 + 3H\pi_1 + V' = 0.$$

 $\pi_I \equiv K_{IJ} \dot{\phi}^J$: Conjugate momentum of the fields derivatives w.r.t. X^{IJ}

Background evolution

Slow-roll solution

$$\pi_1 \equiv K_{1J}\dot{\phi}^J \simeq -\frac{V'}{3H}, \quad \chi \simeq \chi_0 e^{-\Gamma t} \cos(mt)$$

- Inflation?

$$\epsilon \equiv -\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} \ll 1 \ ?$$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon &= \frac{K_{IJ} X^{IJ}}{M_p^2 H^2}, \\ &\simeq \epsilon_V + 6 f_\chi \sin^2(mt), \quad (f_\chi : \text{ energy fraction of } \chi) \end{aligned}$$

- Consistency of the slow-roll solution

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\dot{\pi}_1}{3H\pi_1} \ll 1 ? \\ \frac{\dot{\pi}_{\phi}}{3H\pi_{\phi}} \simeq \frac{V'' \dot{\phi}}{V' H} - \frac{\dot{H}}{H^2}, \\ \simeq -\eta_V + \epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Note

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 $\dot{K}_{1J} \sim \mathcal{O}(m) \implies \frac{\ddot{\phi}}{3H\dot{\phi}} \sim \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{m}{H}\right)$

Background evolution

Inflation is realized, and the inflaton slowly rolls down its potential with a tiny oscillatory correction.

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Perturbations

Deep inside the Hubble horizon, $\ k/a\gg H$

Small couplings & large mass,

Fluctuations in the metric tensor

Fluctuations in the heavy scalar field

EOM for the fluctuations in the inflaton field (on subhorizon scale)

$$\ddot{v}_{\mathbf{k}} + \left[c_s^2 \left(\frac{k}{a} \right)^2 - \frac{\ddot{z}_{\phi}}{z_{\phi}} \right] v_{\mathbf{k}} = 0, \quad \left(v \equiv a^{\frac{3}{2}} \delta \phi \right)$$

Here,

$$\begin{split} z_{\phi}^2 &\equiv \frac{a^3 \bar{K}_{11}}{c_s^2}, \\ c_s^2 &\equiv \frac{\bar{K}_{11}}{2 \bar{K}_{1K,L1} \bar{X}^{KL} + \bar{K}_{11}}. \end{split} \text{ (speed of sound)} \end{split}$$

$$K \equiv \frac{1}{2} (\partial \phi)^2 + \frac{1}{2} (\partial \chi)^2 + \frac{\lambda_{d1}}{4\Lambda^4} (\partial \chi)^2 (\partial \phi)^2 + \frac{\lambda_{d2}}{4\Lambda^4} (\partial \chi \cdot \partial \phi)^2$$

Perturbations

EOM for the fluctuations in the inflaton field (on subhorizon scale)

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 v_{\mathbf{k}}}{\mathrm{d}z^2} + \left[A_k - 2q\cos(2z)\right]v_{\mathbf{k}} = 0, \quad (z \equiv mt)$$

Here,

|q| < 1

$$\begin{split} A_k &\equiv \left(\frac{k}{am}\right)^2 \quad \text{for } k \sim am, \\ q &\equiv \frac{m^2 \chi_0^2}{8\Lambda_d^4} e^{-2\Gamma t} \left[-(\lambda_{d1} - 2\lambda_{d2}) \left(\frac{k}{am}\right)^2 + 2(\lambda_{d1} + 2\lambda_{d2}) \right] \\ \hline f_{\chi} \frac{3M_p^2 H^2}{4\Lambda^4} \Big|_{t=0} &\equiv q_0 < 1 \end{split}$$

Mathieu equation form!

Narrow resonance, instability band $|A_k - 1| < q$

Parametric resonance



Parametric resonance



Modulated primordial power spectrum



Observations
$$\Rightarrow$$
 $\mathcal{A} \sim \frac{m}{H}q_0^2$, $\Delta_L \sim q_0, \Delta_R \sim H/\Gamma$

Anomaly in the CMB power spectrum at $l \simeq 124$ (Ichiki, Nagata, Yokoyama `09)

$$\mathcal{A} = 1.0, \ \Delta_L = \Delta_R = 0.04$$

Feature in the primordial power spectrum

Scalar field with mass $\sim O(10^{14})$ GeV ?

<u>Summary</u>

• A heavy scalar field give an oscillatory correction to the dispersion relation of the fluctuations in the inflaton field.

• EOM of the fluctuations takes a form of Mathieu equation.

Parametric resonance between oscillations of the heavy field and the fluctuations in the inflaton field.

Features in the power spectrum of the primordial curvature perturbations.

- Derivative couplings → Sufficient amplification without violation of the slow-roll conditions.
- High energy physics \leftrightarrow Features in the CMB power spectrum ?
- Non-Gaussianity induced by the resonance? (Chen, Easther, & Lim `08, Chen `10)