# Self-production of Scalar Gravitons after Starobinsky Inflation



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#### **History of the Universe**



# Which model of inflation is correct?

- Observational constraints on inflation as of 3/2013 [Planck 2013]
- R2 inflation is in good shape! (n<sub>s</sub> = 0.964, r = 3.9 x 10<sup>-3</sup> for N = 55) Can we further confirm or falsify it with Planck 2014?



## Starobinsky R<sup>2</sup> Inflation [Starobinsky 1980]

$$\begin{split} S &= \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left( R + \frac{R^2}{6M^2} \right) + S_m \\ S_m &= \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ -\frac{1}{2} (\nabla \sigma)^2 - V(\sigma) \right] \leftarrow \text{Higgs and other SM particles.} \end{split}$$

- One of the oldest models of Inflation, before models of Sato and Guth
- A single parameter M characterizes the model.

#### R<sup>2</sup> Inflation as scalar-tensor theory

[Whitt 1984; Maeda 1988]

$$S_{J} = \frac{1}{2\kappa^{2}} \int d^{4}x \sqrt{-\hat{g}} \left( \hat{R} + \frac{\hat{R}^{2}}{6M^{2}} \right) + S_{m}$$
$$S_{m} = \int d^{4}x \sqrt{-\hat{g}} \left[ -\frac{1}{2} (\hat{\nabla}\hat{\sigma})^{2} - V(\hat{\sigma}) \right]$$

Jordan frame 
$$\hat{g}_{\mu\nu}$$
  
 $\downarrow$   $g_{\mu\nu} = \hat{g}_{\mu\nu}\Omega^2$   $\Omega^2 = 2\kappa^2 \left|\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_J}{\partial \hat{R}}\right| = 1 + \frac{\hat{R}}{3M^2} \equiv e^{\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\kappa\varphi}$   
Einstein frame  $g_{\mu\nu}$   $\hat{R} = \Omega^2 [R + 3\Box(\ln\Omega^2) - \frac{3}{2}g^{\mu\nu}\partial_{\mu}(\ln\Omega^2)\partial_{\nu}(\ln\Omega^2)]$ 

$$S_{\boldsymbol{E}} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} R - \frac{1}{2} (\nabla \boldsymbol{\varphi})^2 - U(\boldsymbol{\varphi}) - \frac{1}{2} e^{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\kappa \boldsymbol{\varphi}} (\nabla \hat{\sigma})^2 - e^{-\sqrt{\frac{8}{3}}\kappa \boldsymbol{\varphi}} V(\hat{\sigma}) \right]$$

$$U(\varphi) = \frac{3}{4} M^2 M_p^2 \left( 1 - e^{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\kappa\varphi} \right)^2 = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{4} M^2 M_p^2 & \text{for } \varphi \gg \varphi_f \\ \frac{1}{2} M^2 \varphi^2 & \text{for } \varphi \ll \varphi_f \end{cases}$$

 $\varphi$ : Scalaron = Inflaton

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$$\begin{split} \Gamma(\varphi \to \sigma \sigma) &= \frac{\mathcal{N}_{\sigma} (M^2 + 2m_{\sigma}^2)^2}{192\pi M_{\rm Pl}^2 M} \\ &\simeq \frac{\mathcal{N}_{\sigma} M^3}{192\pi M_{\rm Pl}^2} + \frac{\mathcal{N}_{\sigma} m_{\sigma}^2 M}{48\pi M_{\rm Pl}^2} \quad \Gamma(\varphi \to \bar{\psi}\psi) = \frac{\mathcal{N}_{\psi} m_{\psi}^2 M}{48\pi M_{\rm Pl}^2} \\ \hline \\ \textbf{Leading term} \\ T_{\rm rh} &\simeq 0.1 \sqrt{\Gamma_{\rm tot} M_p} \left(\frac{\mathcal{N}_{\rm tot}}{100}\right)^{-1/4} \sim 10^{-9} M_p, \\ N_* &\simeq 54 + \frac{1}{3} \ln \left(\frac{T_{\rm rh}}{10^9 \ {\rm GeV}}\right), \end{split}$$

If we know the matter sector (e.g. SM minimally coupled to gravity), inflationary predictions can be made without uncertainty.

#### Predictions depend on reheating temperature

scalaron mass

$$M \simeq 10^{-5} M_p \frac{4\pi\sqrt{30}}{N_*} \left(\frac{\mathcal{P}_{\zeta}(k_*)}{2 \times 10^{-9}}\right)^{1/2}$$
$$\sim 10^{-5} M_p \sim 10^{27} \text{cm}^{-1} \sim 10^{51} \text{Mpc}^{-1},$$

e-folds of inflation

$$N_* \simeq 54 + \frac{1}{3} \ln \left( \frac{T_{\rm rh}}{10^9 \,\,{\rm GeV}} \right),$$

grav. waves

#### tilt and running of spectra

$$r = \frac{\mathcal{P}_{\gamma}(k)}{\mathcal{P}_{\zeta}(k)} \simeq 16\epsilon \simeq \frac{12}{N_*^2}.$$

$$n_s - 1 = \frac{d \ln \mathcal{P}_{\zeta}(k)}{d \ln k} \simeq -6\epsilon_V + 2\eta_V \simeq -\frac{2}{N_*},$$
$$n_t = \frac{d \ln \mathcal{P}_{\gamma}(k)}{d \ln k} \simeq -2\epsilon_V \simeq -\frac{3}{2N_*^2},$$
$$\frac{dn_s}{d \ln k} \simeq 16\epsilon_V \eta_V - 24\epsilon_V^2 - 2\xi_V^2 \simeq -\frac{2}{N_*^2},$$
$$\frac{dn_t}{d \ln k} \simeq 4\epsilon_V \eta_V - 8\epsilon_V^2 \simeq -\frac{3}{N_*^3},$$

# No ambiguity in reheating?

- During the oscillations of the inflaton, pamaretric resonance (preheating) may happen. [Kofman, Linde, Starobinsky 1994]
- If it happens, long-living localized objects (oscillons/l-balls) would be formed, making the inflaton decay non-perturbative.
   [Amin, Easther et al 2012]

$$V(\phi) = \frac{m^2 M^2}{2\alpha} \left[ \left( 1 + \frac{\phi^2}{M^2} \right)^{\alpha} - 1 \right]$$



FIG. 1: Floquet diagram with  $\alpha = 1/2$ ,  $\beta = 100$ . The stable regions are dark red. Within the unstable bands, lighter colors



FIG. 2: Oscillon configuration with  $\alpha = 1/2$  and  $\beta = 50$ . The top plot shows regions where  $\rho/\langle \rho \rangle > 4$  (transparent) and 12 (solid), while the lower plot shows  $\rho/\langle \rho \rangle$  on a two dimensional



Broad resonance:  $|d\omega/dt|/\omega^2 > 1$   $0.2M_p \lesssim \Phi \lesssim 2M_p$  $\left(\frac{k}{M}\right)^2 < -1 - \frac{7}{6} \left(\frac{\Phi}{M_p}\right)^2 + \sqrt{6} \frac{\Phi}{M_p} \cos(Mt) + \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \left(\frac{\Phi}{M_p}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}} |\sin(Mt)|^{\frac{2}{3}},$ 

#### Parametric resonant spectrum

[Takeda & YW 1405.3830]



#### in R<sup>2</sup> inflation (Friedmann) [Takeda & YW 1405.3830] Ŋ

tM=C

0.1

100

10

k[M]

preheating is balanced with

Hubble damping.





#### Metric preheating in R<sup>2</sup> inflation [Takeda & YW 1405.3830]



lst narrow resonance:  $-q^2 < A_k - 1 < q^2$ ,



# Conclusion

- We are now in the golden age of cosmology. Data is getting more and more precise, and even a surprise is coming! The detection of inflationary gravitational waves by BICEP2 will be confirmed or falsified by Planck 10/2014.
- The physics of reheating affects precise predictions of inflationary models. Oscillons/I-balls do not form after Starobinsky inflation, thereby reheating proceeds through perturbative particle production of Higgs with  $T_{\rm rh} \simeq 10^9 {\rm GeV}$  and  $N_* \simeq 54$ .
- Halos and PBHs (  $M_{\rm nl}\simeq 4\times 10^6{\rm g}$  ) may be formed by metric preheating after Starobinsky inflation since  $\delta\rho/\rho\propto a~$  for ~13 e-folds. [cf. Jedamzik, Lemoine, Martin 2010]