

# Multi-disformal invariance of nonlinear primordial perturbations



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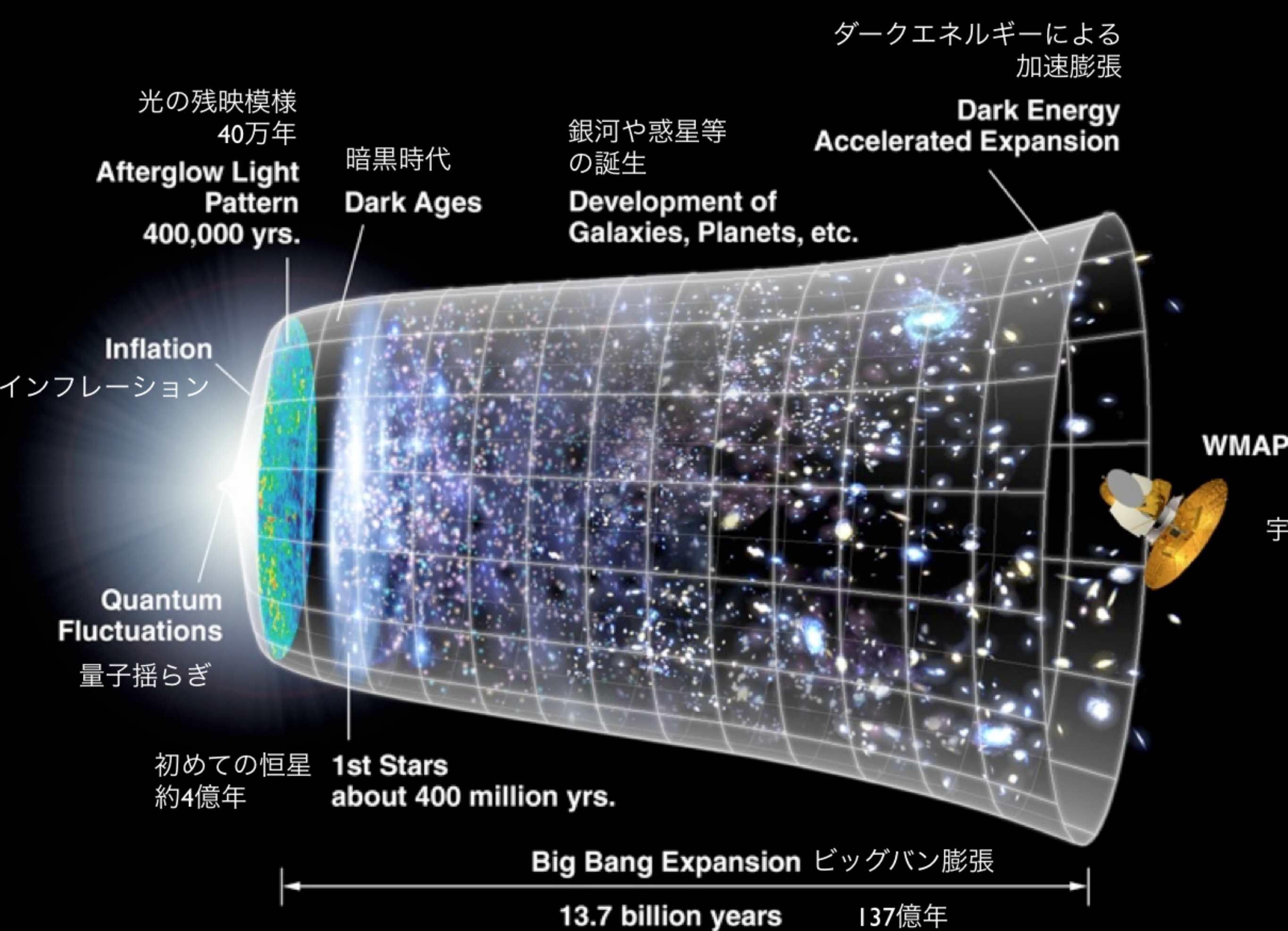
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# Introduction & goals

- anti-correlation of TE spectrum -> **super-H curvature perturbations**
- (future) BB spectrum -> **super-H gravitational-wave perturbations**
- The primordial **linear** tensor power spectrum from inflation can be always cast into the standard form at leading order in derivatives with suitable conformal and *disformal transformations* in EFT of inflation. [Creminelli et al 1407.8439]
- Invariance of the curvature perturbation under *disformal transformations* has been shown **at linear order**. [Minamitsuji 1409.1566, Tsujikawa 1412.6210]

- We extend the invariance of the curvature and GW perturbations to **fully nonlinear order**.
- We further show the invariance under a new type of disformal transformation, dubbed **multi-disformal transformation**, generated by a multi-component scalar field.

# Decomposing spacetime

$$ds^2 = g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu = -\alpha^2 dt^2 + \hat{\gamma}_{ij} (dx^i + \beta^i dt) (dx^j + \beta^j dt)$$

$\alpha$  is the lapse function,  $\beta^i$  is the shift vector

$$\hat{\gamma}_{ij} = a^2(t) e^{2\psi} \gamma_{ij}, \quad \det \gamma_{ij} = 1$$

$$\chi \equiv -\frac{3}{4} \Delta^{-1} \left\{ \partial^i \left[ e^{-3\psi} \partial^j \left( e^{3\psi} (\gamma_{ij} - \delta_{ij}) \right) \right] \right\}$$

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## The uniform $\phi$ slicing

(comoving slicing if  $\phi$  dominates):

$$\phi = \phi(t)$$

$$\mathfrak{R}_c \equiv \psi_c + \chi_c/3$$

$\mathcal{R}_c$  is the (comoving) curvature perturbation at linear order and  $\mathfrak{R}_c$  its non-linear generalization

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**The uniform  $\phi$  slicing:**  $\phi = \phi(t)$

$$\partial^j \gamma_{ij}^{\text{TT}} = 0$$

$\gamma_{ij}^{\text{TT}}$  is independent of the time-slicing condition at linear order but is slice-dependent at higher orders.

# General disformal transformation

$$\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = A(\phi, X) g_{\mu\nu} + B(\phi, X) \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi, \quad X \equiv -g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi / 2$$

$A = 1, B \neq 0$ : **Disformal transformation**

$A \neq 1, B = 0$ : **Conformal transformation**

# Invariance of nonlinear perturbations

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$$\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} + B \dot{\phi}^2 \delta_\mu^0 \delta_\nu^0$$

Only **the lapse function** is affected by the disformal transformation!  $\tilde{\alpha}^2 = \alpha^2 - B \dot{\phi}^2$

Thus, the spatial metric & shift vector are invariant to **fully nonlinear order** -> Invariance of curvature and GW perturbations



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$$\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = A g_{\mu\nu} = \bar{A} g_{\mu\nu} + \delta A \bar{g}_{\mu\nu} + \delta A \delta g_{\mu\nu}$$

$\mathcal{R} \rightarrow \mathcal{R} + \delta A / (2\bar{A}) + \dots$  **Unimodular part (GW) is invariant to fully nonlinear order**

$\delta A$  is sourced by  $\delta X$ , but is vanishing on large scales b/c  $\dot{\mathcal{R}}_c \propto H \delta \alpha_c$

$$X_c = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\dot{\phi}^2(t)}{\alpha_c^2(t, \mathbf{x})} = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\phi}^2(t) - \delta \alpha_c(t, \mathbf{x}) \dot{\phi}^2(t) + \dots$$

$\delta \alpha_c = \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$   $\varepsilon$  represents the terms of 1st order in spatial deriv's.  
**Curvature pert'n is nonlinearly invariant on super-H scales**

# Transformation of linear MS equations

**GR:** 
$$\frac{1}{z^2} \frac{1}{\alpha_0} \frac{d}{d\eta} \left( \frac{z^2}{\alpha_0} \frac{d}{d\eta} \mathcal{R}_c \right) + c_s^2 k^2 \mathcal{R}_c = 0, \quad z \equiv a \frac{\phi'}{\mathcal{H}}$$

$\alpha_0$  is the background value of the lapse function and  $c_s$  is the sound velocity

Under disformal transformation,  $\tilde{\alpha}^2 = \alpha^2 - B\dot{\phi}^2$ , there are **two ways to interpret**:

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{z^2} \frac{1}{\tilde{\alpha}_0} \frac{d}{d\eta} \left( \frac{z^2}{\tilde{\alpha}_0} \frac{d}{d\eta} \mathcal{R}_c \right) + c_s^2 k^2 \mathcal{R}_c = 0 \quad \dots \textcircled{1}$$

It takes **the same form** if  $d\tau = \alpha_0 dt$  and  $d\tilde{\tau} = \tilde{\alpha}_0 dt$  ( $dt = a d\eta$ )

On the other hand 
$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\tilde{z}^2} \frac{1}{\alpha_0} \frac{d}{d\eta} \left( \frac{\tilde{z}^2}{\alpha_0} \frac{d}{d\eta} \mathcal{R}_c \right) + \tilde{c}_s^2 k^2 \mathcal{R}_c = 0, \quad \dots \textcircled{2}$$

$$\tilde{c}_s \equiv \frac{\tilde{\alpha}_0}{\alpha_0} c_s, \quad \tilde{z} \equiv \sqrt{\frac{\alpha_0}{\tilde{\alpha}_0}} z$$

It can be interpreted as **the one in modified gravity** with this redefinition of  $c_s$  and  $z$ .

# Transformation of **nonlinear** equations in spatial gradient expansion

**GR** [Takamizu et al]:

$$\frac{1}{z^2} \frac{1}{\alpha_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \left( \frac{z^2}{\alpha_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \mathfrak{R}_c \right) + \frac{c_s^2}{4} {}^{(3)}R[e^{2\psi} \gamma_{ij}] = \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^4)$$

$\psi = \mathfrak{R}_c + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$  and  ${}^{(3)}R$  is the spatial scalar curvature

By the same reasoning as in the linear case, it takes **the same form if the proper time is rescaled**, or is interpreted as **the one in modified gravity with rescaled  $c_s$  and  $z$** .

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$z_t \equiv a$  and  $(\dots)^{\text{TT}}$  denotes the transverse-traceless projection

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$$\frac{1}{\tilde{z}_t^2} \frac{1}{\alpha_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \left( \frac{\tilde{z}_t^2}{\alpha_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} \gamma_{ij}^{\text{TT}} \right) + \frac{\tilde{c}_t^2}{4} \left( e^{-2\psi} {}^{(3)}R_{ij} [e^{2\psi} \gamma_{ij}] \right)^{\text{TT}} = \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^4)$$

# Multi-disformal transformation

Suppose there are  $\mathcal{N}$  component scalar field,  $\phi^I$  ( $I = 1, \dots, \mathcal{N}$ ).

$$\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = A(\phi^I, X^{IJ}) g_{\mu\nu} + B_{KL}(\phi^I, X^{IJ}) \partial_\mu \phi^K \partial_\nu \phi^L,$$
$$X^{IJ} = -\frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi^I \partial_\nu \phi^J$$

**Adiabatic limit:**  $\phi^I = \phi^I(\varphi)$

$$\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} + B_{KL} \left[ \phi^I(\varphi), X^{IJ}(\varphi, \partial\varphi) \right] (\phi^K)' (\phi^L)' \partial_\mu \varphi \partial_\nu \varphi, \quad (\phi^I)' \equiv \frac{d\phi^I}{d\varphi}$$

**The uniform  $\varphi$  slicing:**

$$\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} + B_{KL} \left[ \phi^I(\varphi), X^{IJ}(\varphi, \dot{\varphi}/\alpha) \right] (\phi^K)' (\phi^L)' \dot{\varphi}^2 \delta_\mu^0 \delta_\nu^0$$

Since the multi-disformal transformation only affects **the lapse function**, we can apply the same argument as before!



# Summary

- The curvature and tensor perturbations on the uniform  $\phi$  slicing are **fully nonlinearly invariant** under the disformal transformation.
- The same conclusion can be drawn for a multi-component extension of the disformal transformation, dubbed **multi-disformal transformation**, on the uniform  $\varphi$  slicing in the adiabatic limit.
- Once a 2nd order differential eq. is obtained in **modified gravity or EFT**, one can map it into the same form as the one in GR by a suitable disformal transformation.