

CMB Imprints of a Pre-Inflationary Climbing Phase

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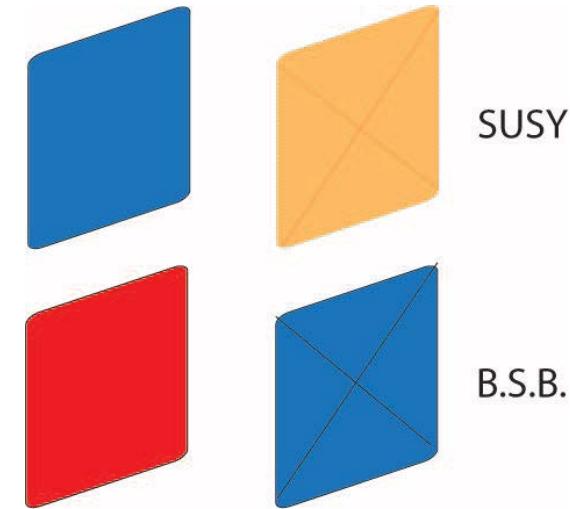
String Theory & SUSY Breaking

Brane SUSY Breaking :
(string-scale)

(Sugimoto, 1999)
(Antoniadis, Dudas, AS, 1999)
(Aldazabal, Uranga, 1999)
(Angelantonj, 1999)

- SUSY: $D9(T>0, Q>0) + \bar{O}9_-(T<0, Q<0) \rightarrow SO(32)$

- BSB: anti- $D9(T>0, Q>0) + \bar{O}9_+(T>0, Q>0) \rightarrow USp(32)$



Tension unbalance \rightarrow exponential potential

$$S_{10} = \frac{1}{2\kappa_{10}^2} \int d^{10}x \sqrt{-g} \left\{ \left[R - \frac{1}{2} (\partial\phi)^2 - 2\alpha e^{\frac{3\phi}{2}} \right] - \frac{1}{12} e^\phi H^2 \right\}$$

A climbing scalar in D dim's

- $\gamma < 1$? Both signs of speed should be allowed

a. "Climbing" solution (ϕ climbs, descends \rightarrow lim. τ -speed):

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{\phi} &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\sqrt{\frac{1-\gamma}{1+\gamma}} \coth\left(\frac{\tau}{2}\sqrt{1-\gamma^2}\right) - \sqrt{\frac{1+\gamma}{1-\gamma}} \tanh\left(\frac{\tau}{2}\sqrt{1-\gamma^2}\right) \right] \\ \dot{a} &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\sqrt{\frac{1-\gamma}{1+\gamma}} \coth\left(\frac{\tau}{2}\sqrt{1-\gamma^2}\right) + \sqrt{\frac{1+\gamma}{1-\gamma}} \tanh\left(\frac{\tau}{2}\sqrt{1-\gamma^2}\right) \right]\end{aligned}$$

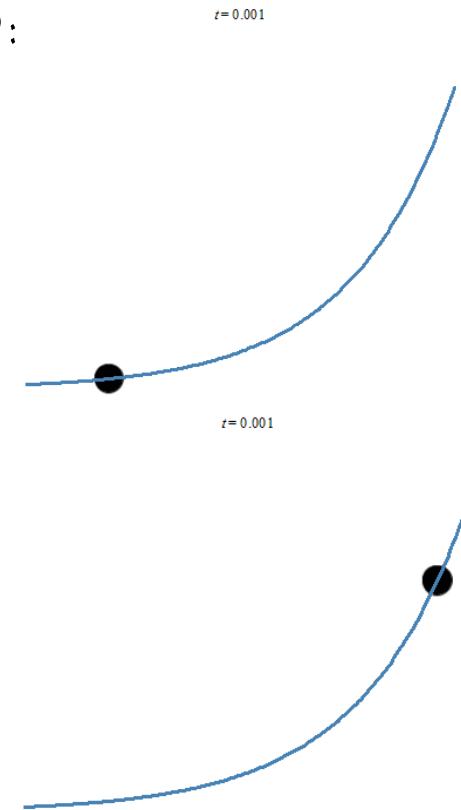
b. "Descending" solution (ϕ descends \rightarrow lim. τ -speed):

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Limiting τ -speed (LM attractor):

(Lucchin, Matarrese, 1985)

$$v_l = - \frac{\gamma}{\sqrt{1-\gamma^2}}$$



$\gamma \rightarrow 1$: v_l diverges & LM attractor and descending solution disappear

- Beyond $\gamma = 1$?



only climbing

A climbing scalar in D dim's

- Consider the action for gravity and a scalar ϕ , in Einstein frame:

$$S = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^D x \sqrt{-g} \left[R - \frac{1}{2} (\partial\phi)^2 - V(\phi) + \dots \right],$$

- Look for cosmological solutions of the type

$$ds^2 = -e^{2B(t)} dt^2 + e^{2A(t)} d\mathbf{x} \cdot d\mathbf{x}$$

(Halliwell, 1987)

- Make the convenient gauge choice $V(\phi) e^{2B} = M^2$

(Dudas, Mourad, 2000)
(Russo, 2004)

- Let:

$$\beta = \sqrt{\frac{D-1}{D-2}}, \quad \tau = M\beta t, \quad \varphi = \frac{\beta\phi}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad a = (D-1)A$$

- In expanding phase :

$$\ddot{\varphi} + \dot{\varphi}\sqrt{1+\dot{\varphi}^2} + (1+\dot{\varphi}^2) \frac{1}{2V} \frac{\partial V}{\partial \varphi} = 0$$

damping

potential

A climbing scalar in D dim's

- With exponential potentials

$$V(\varphi) = M^2 e^{2\gamma\varphi}$$

the equation for φ becomes

$$\ddot{\varphi} + \dot{\varphi} \sqrt{1 + \dot{\varphi}^2} + \gamma (1 + \dot{\varphi}^2) = 0$$

- $\gamma=1$:

$$\dot{\varphi} = \frac{1}{2(\tau - \tau_0)} - \frac{1}{2} (\tau - \tau_0), \quad \dot{a} = \frac{1}{2(\tau - \tau_0)} + \frac{1}{2} (\tau - \tau_0)$$

$$\varphi(\tau) = \varphi_0 + \frac{1}{2} \left[\log |\tau - \tau_0| - \frac{1}{2} (\tau - \tau_0)^2 \right]$$

$$a(\tau) = a_0 + \frac{1}{2} \left[\log |\tau - \tau_0| + \frac{1}{2} (\tau - \tau_0)^2 \right]$$

Integration constants:

- “Big Bang time”
- $\varphi(\tau)$ and $a(\tau)$ at some (later) reference time.

φ SPEED close to Big Bang FIXED: **CLIMBING SCALAR!**

Newtonian Analogy

Particle subject to damping and constant force :

$$m \frac{d^2Y}{dt^2} + \beta \frac{dY}{dt} = f$$

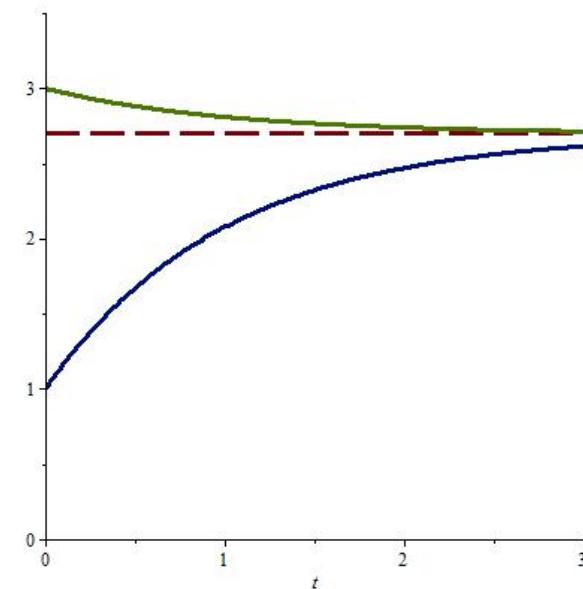
- Limiting speed:

$$v_{lim} = \frac{f}{\beta}$$

$$\frac{dY}{dt} = v_{lim} + (v_0 - v_{lim}) e^{-\frac{\beta t}{m}}$$

Two classes of solutions:

- approach v_{lim} from below or from above



As β is reduced, v_{lim} increases without limit. The "Upper branch" is eventually lost altogether, leaving way to a single "undamped" solution.

String Theory Realizations

Correction to PLB 2010 :

- Other dimensions D : ($\gamma = 1$ for ALL D>10, up to volume stabilization)
- Non-Critical Strings : (from D>10 (super)critical + small exponent)

- 10D tadpole and KKLT : *(Kachru, Kallosh, Linde, Trivedi, 2003)*

a) No-scale reduction:

*(Cremmer, Ferrara, Kounnas, Nanopoulos, 1985)
(Witten, 1985)*

$$g_{IJ}^{(10)} = e^\sigma \delta_{IJ}, \quad g_{\mu\nu}^{(10)} = e^{-3\sigma} g_{\mu\nu}^{(4)}, \quad C_{IJ} = \epsilon_{IJ} a_2$$

$$s = e^{3\sigma} e^{\frac{\phi}{2}}, \quad t = e^\sigma e^{-\frac{\phi}{2}}$$

b) Two-form duality and "tadpole uplift":

$$s = e^{\Phi_s}, \quad t = e^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \Phi_t}$$

$$S_4 = \frac{1}{2\kappa_4^2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[R - \frac{1}{2} (\partial\Phi_s)^2 - \frac{1}{2} (\partial\Phi_t)^2 - 2\alpha e^{-\sqrt{3}\Phi_t} + \dots \right]$$

String Theory Realizations

Assume : s stabilized by fluxes

$$T = e^{\frac{\Phi_t}{\sqrt{3}}} + i \frac{\theta}{\sqrt{3}}$$

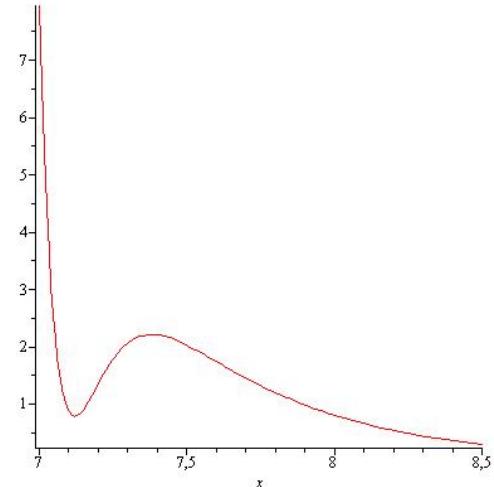
$$W = W_0 + a e^{-bT}, \quad K = -3 \ln(T + \bar{T})$$

$$V_F = e^K [|D_T W|^2 - 3|W|^2] = \frac{b}{(T + \bar{T})^2} \left\{ a \bar{W}_0 e^{-bT} + \bar{a} W_0 e^{-b\bar{T}} + \frac{|a|^2}{3} [6 + b(T + \bar{T})] e^{-b(T + \bar{T})} \right\}$$

(Cremmer, Ferrara, Girardello, van Proeyen, 1983)

Uplift :

$$V = V_F + \frac{c}{(T + \bar{T})^3}$$



$$S = \frac{1}{2\kappa_4^2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[R - \frac{1}{2} (\partial\Phi_t)^2 - \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}\Phi_t} (\partial\theta)^2 - V(\Phi_T, \theta) \right]$$

Climbing in the KKLT System

Performing the redefinitions

$$\Phi_t = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} x, \quad \theta = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} y, \quad \tau = M \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} t$$

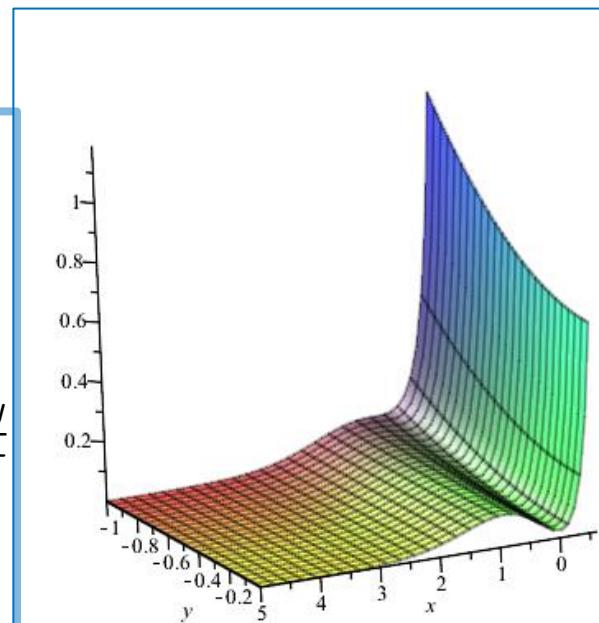
Working in the metric

$$ds^2 = -e^{2B(t)} dt^2 + e^{2A(t)} d\mathbf{x} \cdot d\mathbf{x}$$

Choosing the gauge

$$V(\Phi_t, \theta) e^{2B} = M^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2x}{d\tau^2} &+ \frac{dx}{d\tau} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dx}{d\tau}\right)^2 + e^{-\frac{4x}{3}} \left(\frac{dy}{d\tau}\right)^2} + \frac{1}{2V} \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \left[1 + \left(\frac{dx}{d\tau}\right)^2\right] \\ &+ \frac{1}{2V} \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} \frac{dx}{d\tau} \frac{dy}{d\tau} + \frac{2}{3} e^{-\frac{4x}{3}} \left(\frac{dy}{d\tau}\right)^2 = 0, \\ \frac{d^2y}{d\tau^2} &+ \frac{dy}{d\tau} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dx}{d\tau}\right)^2 + e^{-\frac{4x}{3}} \left(\frac{dy}{d\tau}\right)^2} + \left(\frac{1}{2V} \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} - \frac{4}{3}\right) \frac{dx}{d\tau} \frac{dy}{d\tau} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2V} \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} \left[e^{\frac{4x}{3}} + \left(\frac{dy}{d\tau}\right)^2\right] = 0 \end{aligned}$$



$$V(x, y) = \frac{c}{8} e^{-2x} - \frac{b}{2} e^{-\frac{4x}{3} - b} e^{\frac{2x}{3}} \left[(\text{Re } a\bar{W}_0) \cos \frac{2by}{3} + (\text{Im } a\bar{W}_0) \sin \frac{2by}{3} + \frac{|a|^2}{3} \left(3 + b e^{\frac{2x}{3}}\right) e^{-b} e^{\frac{2x}{3}} \right]$$

Climbing in the KKLT System

Leave aside momentarily the potential well → only uplift ($\gamma = 1$ in KKLT)

- “Polar” variables :

$$\frac{dx}{d\tau} = r w , \quad e^{-\frac{2x}{3}} \frac{dy}{d\tau} = r \sqrt{1 - w^2}$$

- Dynamical γ_{eff} ($= \gamma w$) :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dr}{d\tau} + r \sqrt{1 + r^2} - \gamma w (1 + r^2) &= 0 \\ \frac{dw}{d\tau} + (1 - w^2) \left(\frac{2}{3} r - \frac{\gamma}{r} \right) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

- 1) Late-time attractors (“TOO FAST” FOR INFLATION)

- 2) Right after Big Bang :

$$\frac{dr}{d\tau} + (\epsilon - w) r^2 \approx 0 , \quad \frac{dw}{d\tau} + \frac{2}{3} r (1 - w^2) \approx 0$$

- Eqs. combine to:

$$\dot{r} \approx -2\epsilon r^2$$

$$r \approx \frac{1}{2\epsilon\tau} , \quad w \approx -\epsilon$$

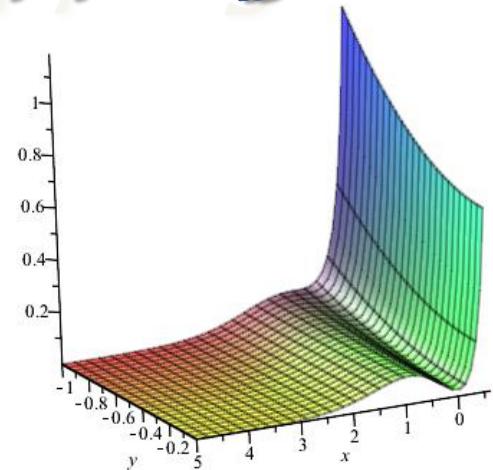


$$rw \approx -\frac{1}{2\tau}$$

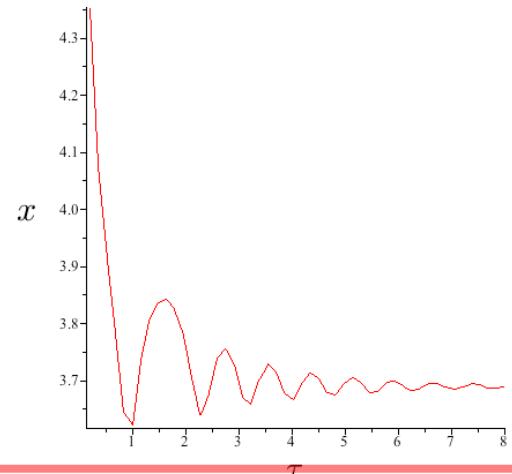
Climbing scalar !

KKLT Moduli Trapping

Climbing can yield moduli trapping



For a range of parameters the cosmological evolution can trap a climbing scalar inside the tiny KKLT potential well



Analytic approach: approximate wells by piece-wise exponentials

Climbing + Inflation

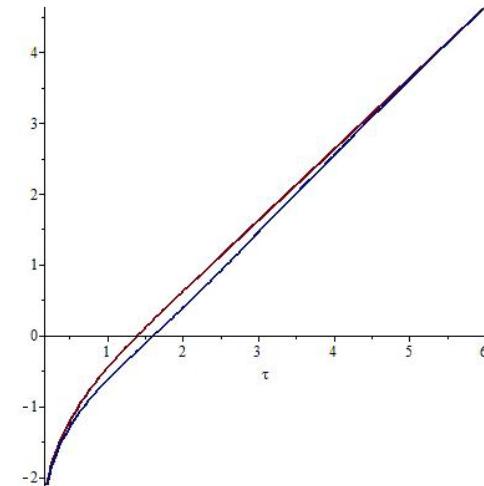
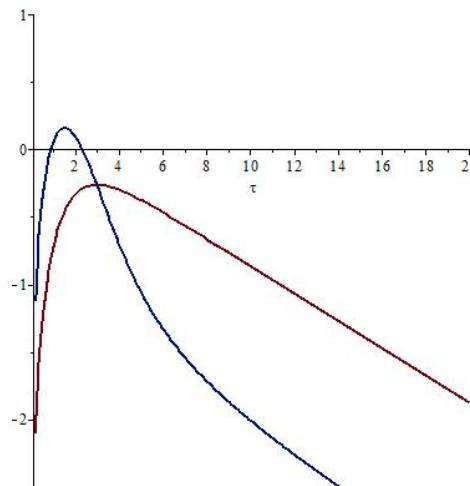
Combine two exponentials :

- a. "Hard" exponential of BSB
- b. "Soft" exponential (e.g. from non-BPS branes)

$$V(\phi) = \frac{M^2}{2\kappa^2} (e^{2\varphi} + e^{2\gamma\varphi})$$

(Sen, 1998)
(Dudas, Mourad, AS 2001)

- "Hard exponential": makes initial climbing phase inevitable
- "Soft exponential": drives inflation during subsequent descent



The Mukhanov-Sasaki Equation

Schroedinger-like equation for scalar (or tensor) fluctuations :

$$\frac{d^2 v_k(\eta)}{d\eta^2} + [k^2 - W_s(\eta)] v_k(\eta) = 0$$

"MS Potential" : determined by the background

$$ds^2 = a^2(\eta) (-d\eta^2 + d\mathbf{x} \cdot d\mathbf{x})$$

$$\text{Scalar} : z(\eta) = a^2(\eta) \frac{\phi'_0(\eta)}{a'(\eta)}$$

$$\text{Tensor} : z(\eta) = a$$

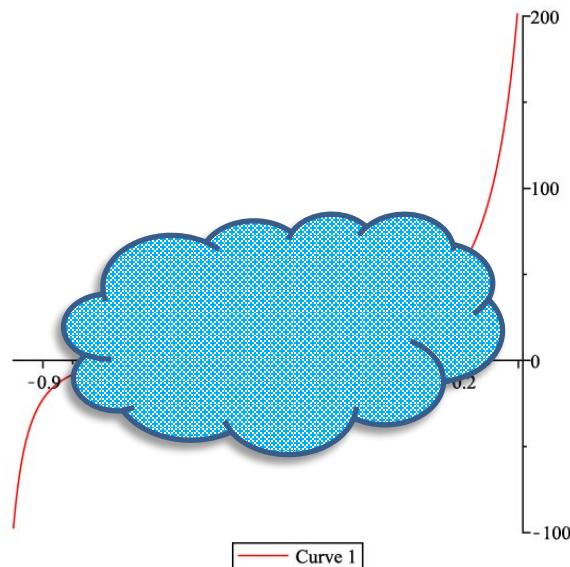
$$W_s = \frac{1}{z} \frac{d^2 z}{d\eta^2}$$

Initial Singularity : $W_s \underset{\eta \rightarrow -\eta_0}{\sim} -\frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{(\eta + \eta_0)^2}$

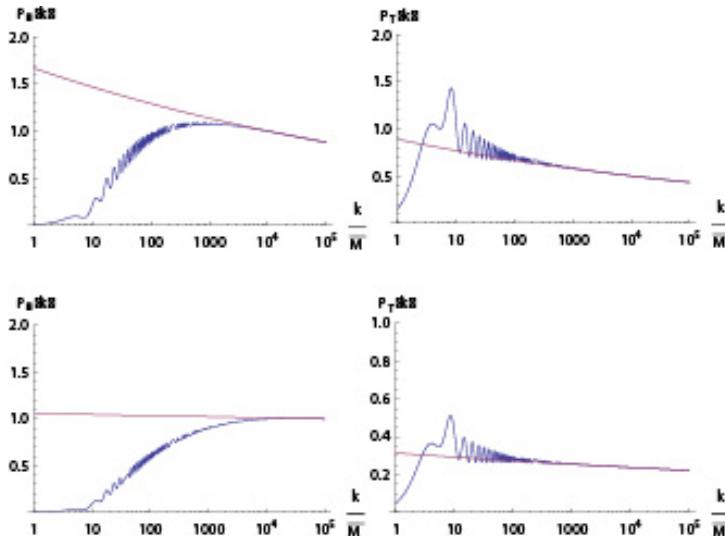
LM Inflation : $W_s \underset{\eta \rightarrow 0}{\sim} -\frac{\nu^2 - \frac{1}{4}}{\eta^2}$

$$\left[\nu = \frac{3}{2} \frac{1 - \gamma^2}{1 - 3\gamma^2} \right]$$

$$P(k) \sim k^3 \left| \frac{v(-\epsilon)}{z(-\epsilon)} \right|^2$$



Numerical Power Spectra

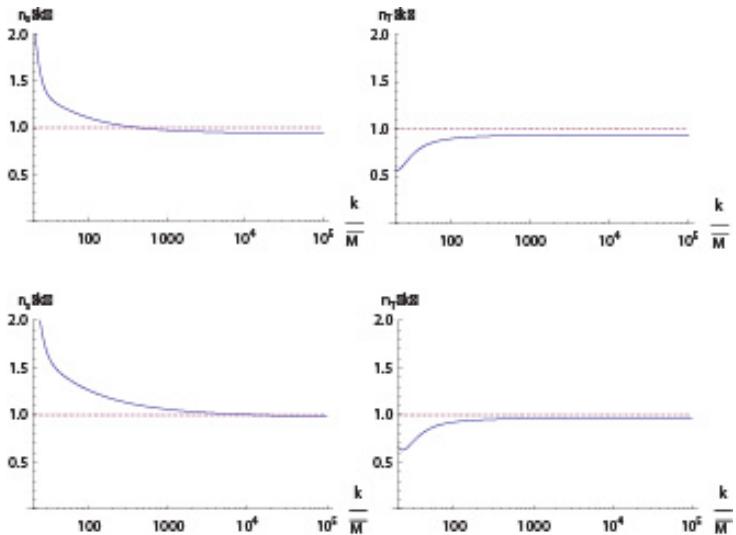


$$\epsilon_\phi(k) \equiv -\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2}, \quad \eta_\phi(k) \equiv \frac{V_{\phi\phi}}{V}$$

$$n_S(k) - 1 = 2[\eta_\phi(k) - 3\epsilon_\phi(k)]$$

$$n_T(k) - 1 = -2\epsilon_\phi(k)$$

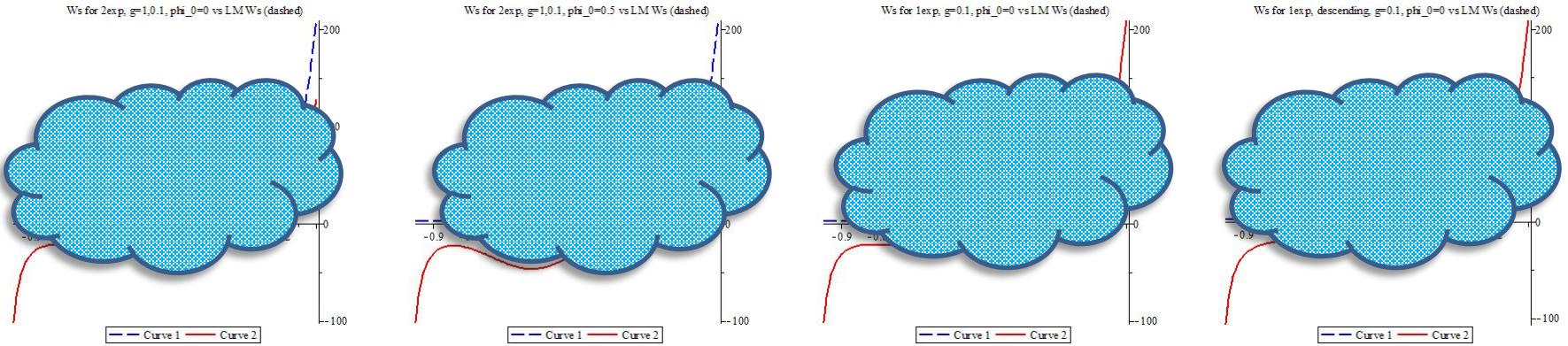
$$P_{S,T} \sim \int \frac{dk}{k} k^{n_{S,T}-1}$$



QUALITATIVE ANALYSIS

- Dynamics yields $\epsilon_\phi(k)$, $\eta_\phi(k)$
- Slow-roll relations estimate $n_{S,T}(k)$

Analytic Power Spectra



WKB:

$$v_k(-\epsilon) \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{|W_s(-\epsilon) - k^2|}} \exp \left(\int_{-\eta^*}^{-\epsilon} \sqrt{|W_s(y) - k^2|} dy \right)$$

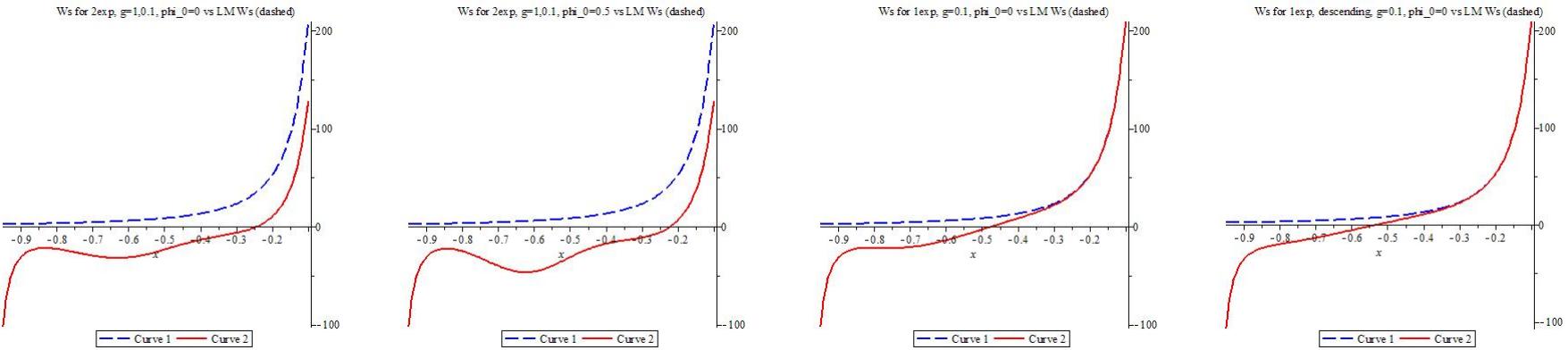
Analytically:

- Bessel functions (LM attractor)
- Coulomb (or Whittaker) functions
- [Heun functions]

$$P(k) \sim k^{3-2\nu}$$

$$\frac{d^2 v_k}{d\eta^2} + \left[k^2 - \frac{(1-a)(\nu^2 - \frac{1}{4})}{\eta_0^2} - \frac{(2-a)(\nu^2 - \frac{1}{4})}{\eta_0 \eta} - \frac{\nu^2 - \frac{1}{4}}{\eta^2} \right] v_k = 0$$

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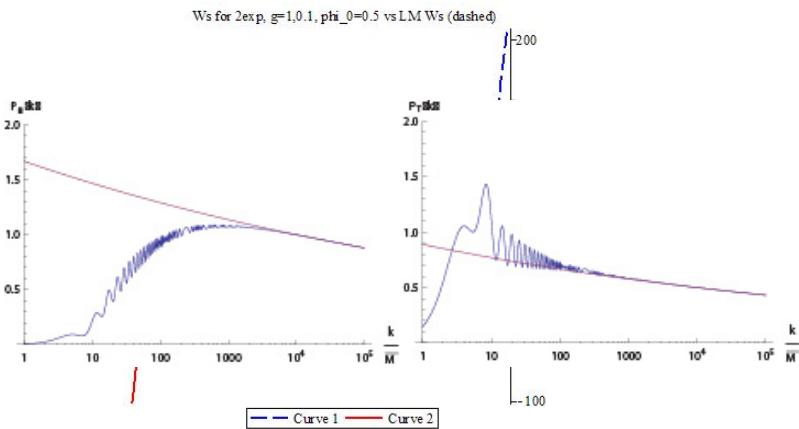
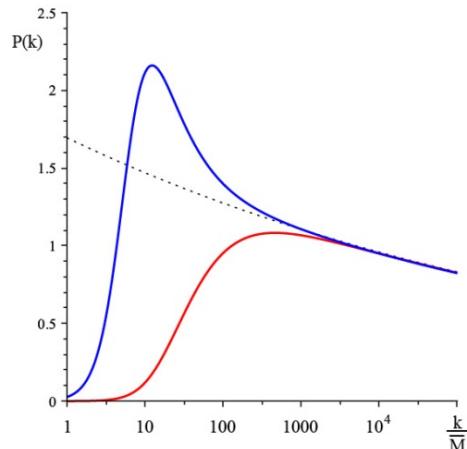
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Analytic Power Spectra



$$\Delta = \sqrt{(k\eta_0)^2 - (1-a)\left(\nu^2 - \frac{1}{4}\right)}, \quad \rho = -\frac{\eta\Delta}{\eta_0}$$

$$L = \nu - \frac{1}{2}, \quad \alpha = -\frac{(2-a)(\nu^2 - \frac{1}{4})}{2\Delta}$$

Letting :

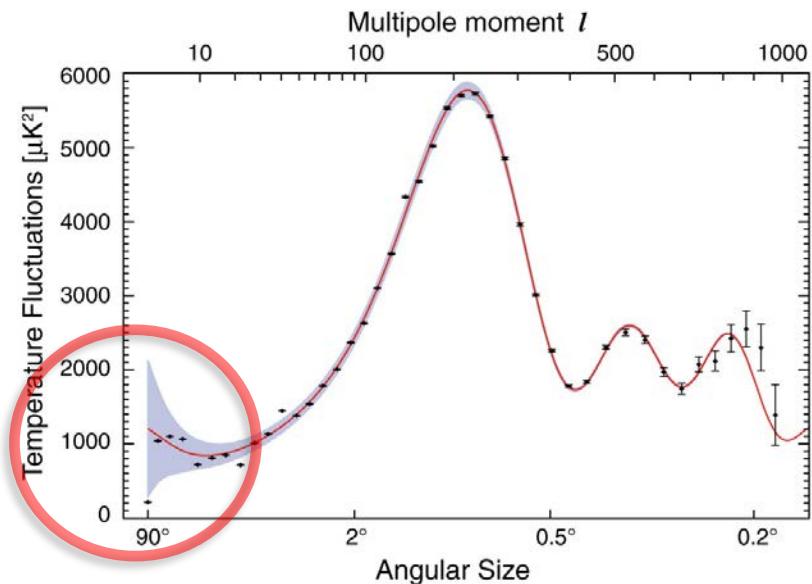
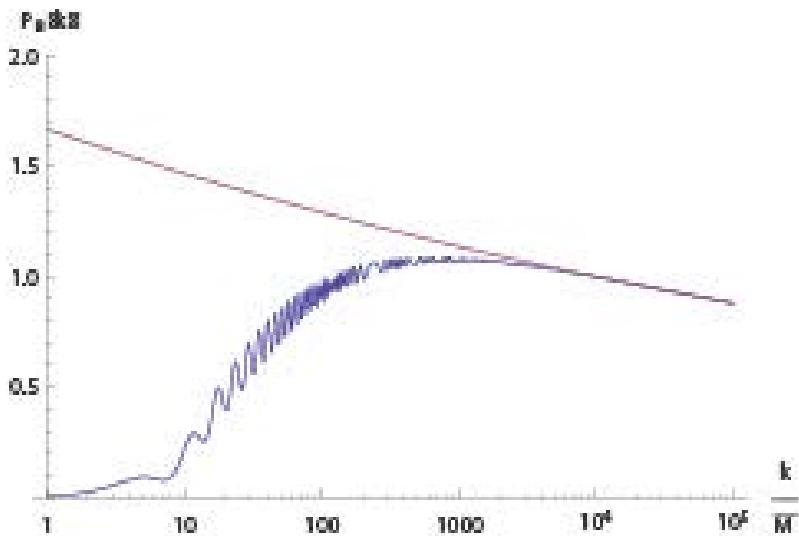
MS \rightarrow Coulomb :

$$\frac{d^2 v_k}{d\rho^2} + \left[1 - \frac{2\alpha}{\rho} - \frac{L(L+1)}{\rho^2} \right] v_k = 0$$

$$P(k) \sim \frac{k^3 \exp\left(-\frac{(2-a)\left(\frac{2-3\gamma^2}{(1-3\gamma^2)^2}\right)}{2\sqrt{(k\eta_0)^2 + (a-1)\left(\frac{2-3\gamma^2}{(1-3\gamma^2)^2}\right)}}\right)}{\left|\Gamma\left(L+1 + \frac{i(2-a)\left(\frac{2-3\gamma^2}{(1-3\gamma^2)^2}\right)}{2\sqrt{(k\eta_0)^2 + (a-1)\left(\frac{2-3\gamma^2}{(1-3\gamma^2)^2}\right)}}\right)\right|^2 \left[(k\eta_0)^2 + (a-1)\left(\frac{2-3\gamma^2}{(1-3\gamma^2)^2}\right)\right]^\nu}$$

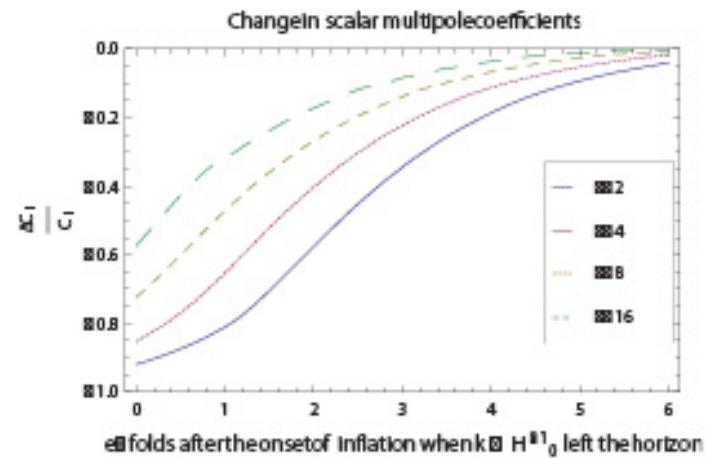
An Observable Window?

- WMAP7 power spectrum :



- Depression of scalar multipoles :

$$VS \quad \left| \frac{\Delta C_\ell}{C_\ell} \right| = \sqrt{\frac{2}{2\ell + 1}}$$



Summary & Outlook

- **String Theory** → logarithmic slope of certain potentials that accompany the (string-scale) Brane SUSY Breaking mechanism
- **Naturally weak coupling** : climbing can induce moduli trapping &/or inject inflation

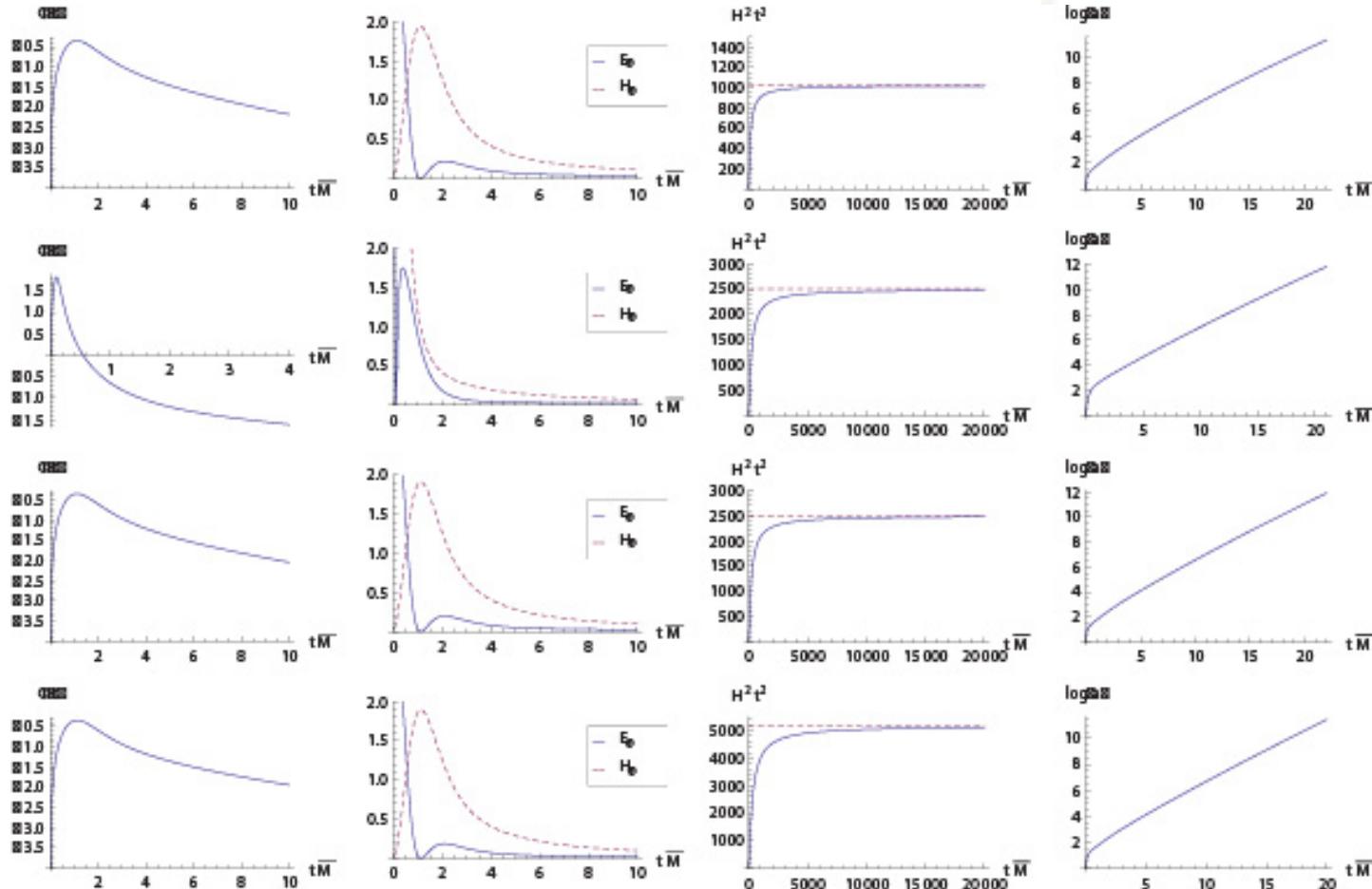
COMBINING "mild exponential" for inflation and "hard exponential" of BSB :

- **STRONG IR depression** of scalar power spectrum (over ~ 6 e-folds)
- [**MILDER IR enhancement** of tensor spectrum]
- Models where inflation begins well off the attractor (new CMB codes?)

Signs in the sky of pre-inflationary climbing ?

IF inflationary epoch was "short enough"

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A non-BPS D3 brane: Inflation

The Sugimoto model has a **stable** non-BPS D3 brane

(Sen, 1998)
(Dudas, Mourad, AS 2001)

$$V \sim e^{-\sqrt{3}\Phi_t} + e^{-\frac{\sqrt{3}\Phi_t}{2}}$$

- IF Φ_s is somehow stabilized (as assumed in the KKLT setting) \rightarrow for Φ_t :
- "critical" exponential (climbing);
 - "subcritical" exponential (eventual inflation)

- **INFLATION:**

$$\mathcal{I} = \frac{d^2 A}{dt^2} + \frac{dA}{dt} \left(\frac{dA}{dt} - \frac{dB}{dt} \right) > 0$$

- **One-field:**

$$\dot{\varphi}^2 < \frac{1}{D-2} \rightarrow \gamma < \frac{1}{\sqrt{D-1}}$$

- **KKLT:** NO inflation by itself

