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Dissipative Genesis of the Inflationary Universe

Inflation



[Akrami et al. (Planck 2018), 1807.06211]. See also [Ade et al. (BICEP/Keck), 2110.00483], [Tristram et al., 2112.7961], and [Paoletti et al., 2208.10482].

However, the Big Bang singularity is NOT resolved by inflation.

[Borde, Guth, Vilenkin, gr-qc/0110012]. See also [Lesnefsky Easson, Davies, 2207.00955] for critical discussions.

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Sufficiently long ($N_e \gtrsim 50$) inflation

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The full picture of the dynamics of ϕ



What we use

Classical General Relativity
 Canonical scalar field

Interactions to reheat the Universe

What we do not use

Modification to General Relativity
 Negative Cosmological Constant
 Negative Casimir energy

Singularity at the bounce
Violation of Null Energy Condition
Negative-norm state ("ghost")

Tachyonic Instability



Analyses in the context of preheating [Tomberg, Veermäe, 2108.10767]

Energy density fluctuation

$$\delta \rho \approx \frac{(k_{\text{peak}}/a)^4}{4\pi^{3/2}\sqrt{2\mu_{\text{peak}}t}} e^{2\mu_{\text{peak}}t}$$

 $k_{\rm peak} \approx \pi a / \Delta t_{\phi}$: wavenumber of the most unstable mode $\Delta t_{\phi} \simeq \pi \phi_0 / \sqrt{2(V_0 - \rho)}$: half-period of ϕ oscillations

Fragmentation time

$$t_{\rm frag} \approx \frac{1}{2\mu_{\rm peak}} \left(\ln\left(\frac{4\pi^{3/2}c\rho}{(k_{\rm peak}/a)^4}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\ln\ln\left(\frac{4\pi^{3/2}c\rho}{(k_{\rm peak}/a)^4}\right) \right)$$

c = O(1): the energy-density fraction of fluctuations and the background when fragmentation happens



Tachyonic Instability

Public classical lattice calculation tool







A modern code for lattice simulations of scalar and gauge field dynamics in an expanding universe

[Figueroa, Florio, Torrenti, Valkenburg, 2006.15122; 2102.01031] https://cosmolattice.net/





Is it possible to turn a quasi-cyclic universe into an inflationary universe by dissipative effects before the fragmentation time?

Setup

Lagrangian density

$$\mathscr{L} = \frac{1}{2}R - \frac{1}{2}g^{\mu\nu}\partial_{\mu}\phi\partial_{\nu}\phi - V(\phi) + \mathscr{L}_{\text{int}} + \mathscr{L}_{\text{matter}}$$

Scalar potential

$$V(\phi) = V_0 \tanh^2 \left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0} \right)$$

Metric Ansatz

$$ds^{2} = -dt^{2} + a(t)^{2} \left(\frac{dr^{2}}{1 - Kr^{2}} + r^{2} d\Omega_{2}^{2} \right)$$

with the positive spatial curvature K > 0.

Equations of motion

$$\dot{H} = -\frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2 - \frac{2}{3}\rho_r + \frac{K}{a^2},$$
$$\ddot{\phi} + (3H + \Gamma)\dot{\phi} + V' = 0,$$
$$\dot{\rho}_r + 4H\rho_r = \Gamma\dot{\phi}^2.$$

For a more concrete model, see our longer paper: 2305.02367.

Initial conditions

$$a(0) = \sqrt{\frac{3K}{V(\phi(0))}}, \quad \dot{a}(0) = 0, \quad \dot{\phi}(0) = 0, \text{ and } \rho_{\rm r}(0) =$$



Emergence of Inflation



Solid lines: $\phi_0 = \sqrt{0.006}$, $\Gamma/\sqrt{V_0} = 0.003$. Dashed lines: $\phi_0 = \sqrt{0.06}$, $\Gamma/\sqrt{V_0} = 0.02$.

 $\rho_{\rm r} > 0 \rightarrow$ Bounce delayed $\rightarrow \rho_{\phi}$ increases $\rightarrow \phi$ reaches the plateau































Generality of the Mechanism



How generic are the cyclic solutions?

To answer the question, we turn off the tachyonic instability and dissipation.

Big Crunch with $\dot{\phi} > 0$

- Big Crunch with $\dot{\phi} < 0$
- Cyclic Universe
- Short inflation (N < 50)
- Long inflation ($N \ge 50$)

Generality of the Mechanism



How generic is the beginning of inflation?

We set $\phi_0 / \sqrt{V_0} = 2.1 \times 10^5$ and $\phi_{\text{ini}} / \phi_0 = 1 - 1.3 \log_{10} \phi_0$.

- Big Crunch with $\dot{\phi} > 0$
- Big Crunch with $\dot{\phi} < 0$
- Cyclic Universe
- Short inflation (N < 50)
- Long inflation ($N \ge 50$) if fragmentation is neglected
- Long inflation ($N \ge 50$) before the fragmentation time

Explicit Model

SU($N_{\rm c}$) gauge fields with $\mathscr{L}_{\rm int} = -\frac{\alpha}{4\pi f}\phi \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu}$, $\mathscr{L}_{\rm matter} = -\frac{1}{4}g^{\mu\rho}g^{\nu\sigma}F_{\mu\nu}F_{\rho\sigma}$.

Dissipation rate $\Gamma(T) = \Upsilon(T) + \Gamma_{sct}(T) + \Gamma_{dec}$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{sphaleron-induced friction} & \Upsilon(T) \sim \frac{(N_{\rm c}\alpha)^5 T^3}{f^2} \\ \mbox{scattering rate} & \Gamma_{\rm c} \simeq \frac{C(N_{\rm c}^2 - 1)T(p^0)^2}{64\pi^4 f^2} \\ \mbox{decay rate} & \Gamma_{\rm dec} = \frac{(N_{\rm c}^2 - 1)\alpha^2 m_{\phi}^3}{64\pi^3 f^2} \end{array}$$

We follow [DeRocco, Graham, Kalia, 2107.0757]

for the thermalization criteria.

- Nonlinearity develops in the relevant time scale.
- Backreaction is negligible until it becomes nonlinear.
- Thermalization rate is greater than the Hubble rate.



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Reheating temperature in the dark sector $T_{\rm R}^{\rm dark} = \max \left[T_{\rm R, \, dec}, \min \left[T_{\rm R, \, sct}, T_{\rm max} \right] \right]$

where
$$T_{\rm R, \, sct} = 1.5 \times 10^{14} \, {\rm GeV} \left(\frac{C}{1}\right) \left(\frac{g_*}{22}\right)^{-1/2} \left(\frac{N_{\rm c}^2 - 1}{3^2 - 1}\right),$$

$$T_{\rm R,\,dec} = 1.3 \times 10^{12} \,{\rm GeV} \left(\frac{g_*}{22}\right)^{-1/4} \left(\frac{N_{\rm c}^2 - 1}{3^2 - 1}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{\alpha}{0.015}\right) \left(\frac{m_{\phi}}{1.6 \times 10^{13} \,{\rm GeV}}\right)^{3/2} \left(\frac{f}{5.8 \times 10^{13} \,{\rm GeV}}\right)^{-1},$$

and the maximal attainable temperature after inflation $T_{\rm max} \le T_{\rm inst} \simeq 1.6 \times 10^{15} \,{\rm GeV} \left(\frac{g_*}{22}\right)^{-1/4} \left(\frac{V_0^{1/4}}{2.6 \times 10^{15} \,{\rm GeV}}\right).$

Some options to heat the Standard Model sector

- Dark glueball decay via dimension-6 operators.
- Dark Higgs portal.

$$_{\text{atter}} = -\frac{1}{4}g^{\mu\rho}g^{\nu\sigma}F_{\mu\nu}F_{\rho\sigma}.$$

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Observational Tests?

Spatial curvature constraints and the Hubble tension

The Planck data prefer positive spatial curvature.

Positive spatial curvature reduces the Hubble tension.



[[]Riess, Casertano, Yuan, Macri, Scolnic, 1903.07603]

CMB low-multipole suppression

10⁻¹²

 $\Omega_{gw}(f)$

[Sloan, Dimopoulos, Karamitsos, 1912.00090] studied suppression of the power spectrum on large scales in a setup similar to ours.

Ideas to probe the reheating of the Universe

e.g.) Measuring the reheating temperature through the spectral break of the gravitational waves.

[Nakayama, Saito, Suwa, Yokoyama, 0804.1827]

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Our Universe may have experienced the quasi-cyclic period just after the creation and before inflation!

We hope to study the mechanism of starting inflation through observations related to the reheating of the Universe.



Conclusion

 $ds^2 = -dt^2 + a(t),$



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Fragmentation Time

$$t_{\rm frag} \approx \frac{1}{2\mu_{\rm peak}} \left(\ln\left(\frac{4\pi^{3/2}c\rho}{(k_{\rm peak}/a)^4}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\ln\ln\left(\frac{4\pi^{3/2}c\rho}{(k_{\rm peak}/a)^4}\right) \right)$$

We set c = 0.01 and used numerical values of μ_{peak} and k_{peak} from [Tomberg, Veermäe, 2108.10767]. Validation of the approximated formula with CosmoLattice calculation



Fragmentation Time

Contour plot of $(\sqrt{2V_0}/\phi_0) t_{\text{frag}}$ with $\phi_0/\sqrt{V_0} = 2.1 \times 10^5$



Contour plot of $(\sqrt{2V_0}/\phi_0) t_{\text{frag}}$ with $\phi_{\text{ini}}/\phi_0 = 1.8$



Analytic Understanding of Cyclic Solutions

Approximation based on the average over oscillations of ϕ (Note that this breaks down when the amplitude becomes too large.) (The technique is based on [Tomberg, Veermäe, 2108.10767; Karam, Tomberg, Veermäe, 2102.02712])



The instantaneous equation-of-state parameter

Energy density as a function of the scale factor

$$\frac{\rho_{\text{avg}}}{V_0} = 2\left(1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{\rho_{\text{avg},*}}{V_0}}\right) \left(\frac{a_*}{a}\right)^3 - \left(1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{\rho_{\text{avg},*}}{V_0}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{a_*}{a}\right)^6$$

The averaged equation-of-state parameter



Friedmann equation

$$\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = \frac{2V_0 X_*}{3} \left(\left(\frac{a_*}{a}\right)^3 - \frac{X_*}{2} \left(\frac{a_*}{a}\right)^6 - \left(1 - \frac{X_*}{2}\right) \left(\frac{a_*}{a}\right)^2 \right) \quad \text{with} \quad X_* \equiv 1 - \sqrt{1 - \rho_{\text{avg}}},$$



Analytic Understanding of Cyclic Solutions

 ≈ 0.609378

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The averaged equation-of-state parameter

$$w_{\rm avg} = \frac{-2 + 2\sqrt{1 - \rho/V_0} + \rho/V_0}{\rho/V_0}$$

The critical amplitude (bounce vs turn-around) $\phi_{\text{amp},w_{\text{avg}}=-1/3}/\phi_0 = \log(2 + \sqrt{3}) \approx 1.31696$

The critical amplitude (below which no cyclic solution)

$$\min \phi_{\text{amp,turn-around}} / \phi_0 = \operatorname{artanh} \left(\frac{3}{1 + \sqrt[3]{19} - 3\sqrt{33}} + \sqrt[3]{19} + 3\sqrt{33}} \right)$$

The maximal ratio of the max/min of the scale factor

$$\lim_{\rho_{\text{avg,bounce}} \to V_0} \frac{a_{\text{max}}}{a_{\text{min}}} = \frac{1 + \sqrt[3]{19 - 3\sqrt{33}} + \sqrt[3]{19 + 3\sqrt{33}}}{3} \approx 1.83929$$



Characteristic field values.

Lattice Simulation

Lattice topology

For simplicity, we use \mathbb{T}^3 rather than \mathbb{S}^3 . The IR cutoff due to \mathbb{S}^3 should be $\frac{k_{\mathrm{IR},\mathbb{S}^3}}{a} = \frac{2\sqrt{K}}{a} \simeq 2\sqrt{\frac{\rho_{\mathrm{avg}}}{3M_{\mathrm{P}}^2}}.$

Spatial curvature

We modify the codes of CosmoLattice to include the spatial curvature.

Dimensionless variables

Quantities with a tilde are measured in units of $f_* = \phi_0$ and $\omega_* = \sqrt{2V_0}/\phi_0$.

IR cutoffs

The minimum wave number in CosmoLattice is defined to be

This has to be smaller than the most tachyonic mode

$$\frac{k_{\text{peak}}}{a} \approx \frac{3}{\Delta t}$$

Evolver and input parameters

The default evolver (velocity Verlet algorithm: VV2).

 $N_{\mathscr{CL}} = 32$, $\tilde{k}_{\text{IR,lattice}} = 0.1$, and $\Delta \tilde{t} = 0.01$.

Spectrum of perturbations

The tachyonic peak structure is well resolved.



0.4Gallery of $H(t)/\sqrt{V_0}$ 0.2Phase 0.0-0.2Space Trajectory $\dot{\phi}(t)/\phi_0\sqrt{V_0}$

0.6

 $\phi_0 = \sqrt{0.06}$ and $\Gamma / \sqrt{V_0} = 0.019$

