

Continuous spectrum on cosmological collider

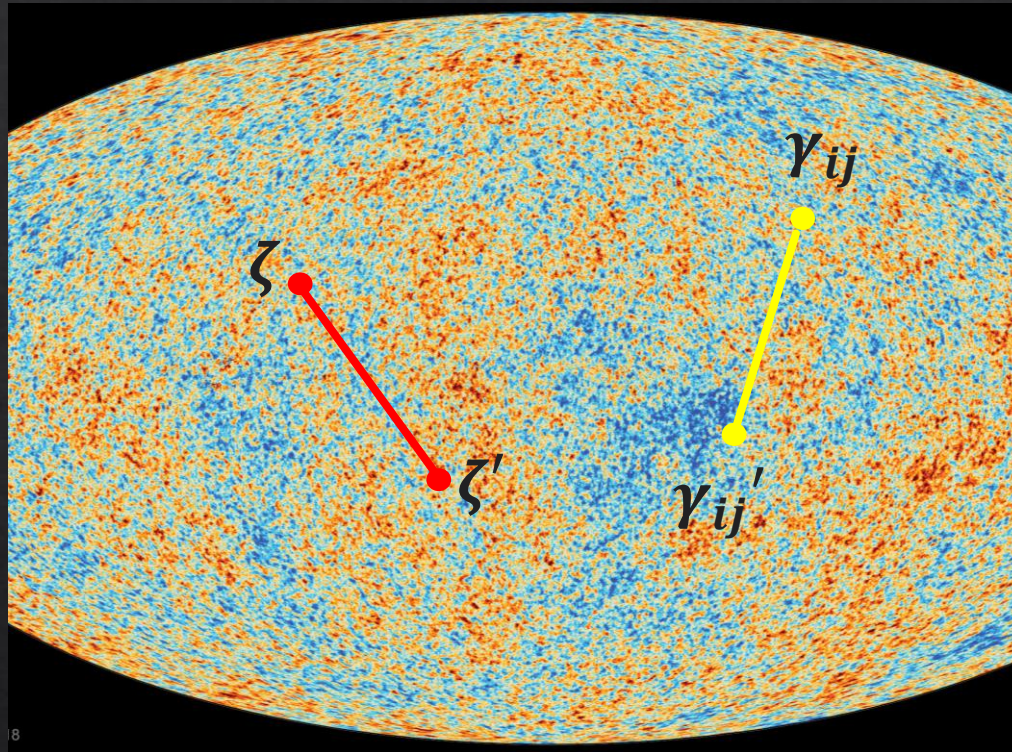
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Inflationary observable



scalar power spectrum: $P_\zeta \sim \langle \zeta \zeta' \rangle$

tensor power spectrum: $P_\gamma \sim \langle \gamma \gamma' \rangle$

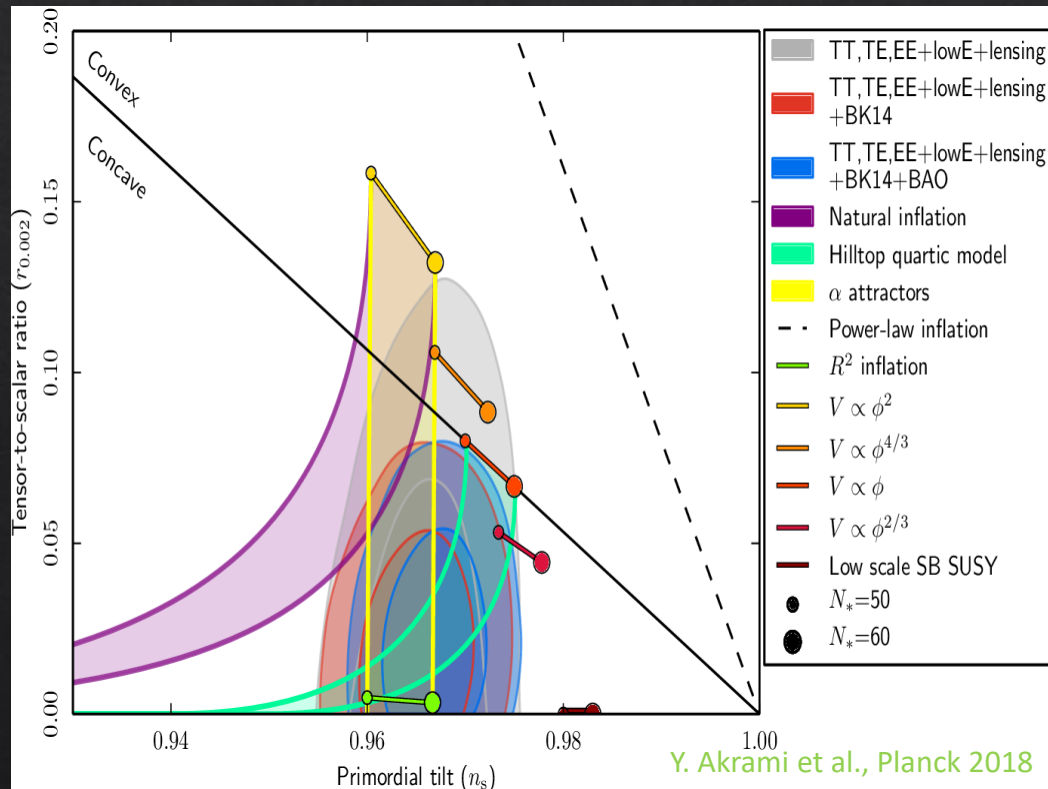
spectral tilt: $n_s - 1 = \frac{d \ln P_\zeta}{d \ln k}, \dots$

Restrictions on inflaton potential

$$n_s - 1 = \frac{d \ln P_\zeta}{d \ln k} = -3 \left(\frac{V'}{V} \right)^2 + 2 \frac{V''}{V}$$

$$r = \frac{P_\gamma}{P_\zeta} = 8 \left(\frac{V'}{V} \right)^2$$

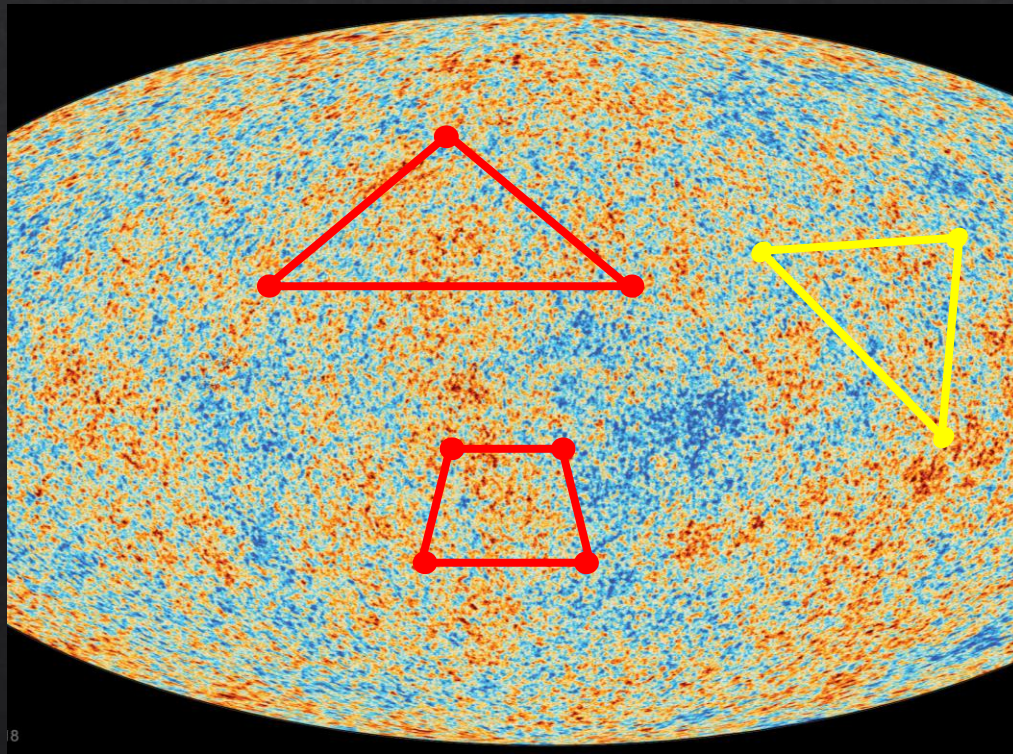
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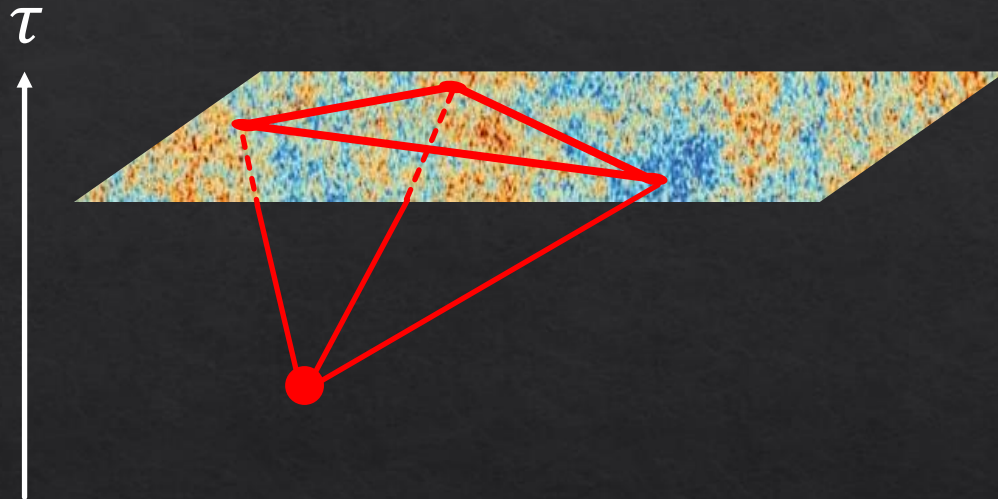
Y. Akrami et al., Planck 2018

n_s

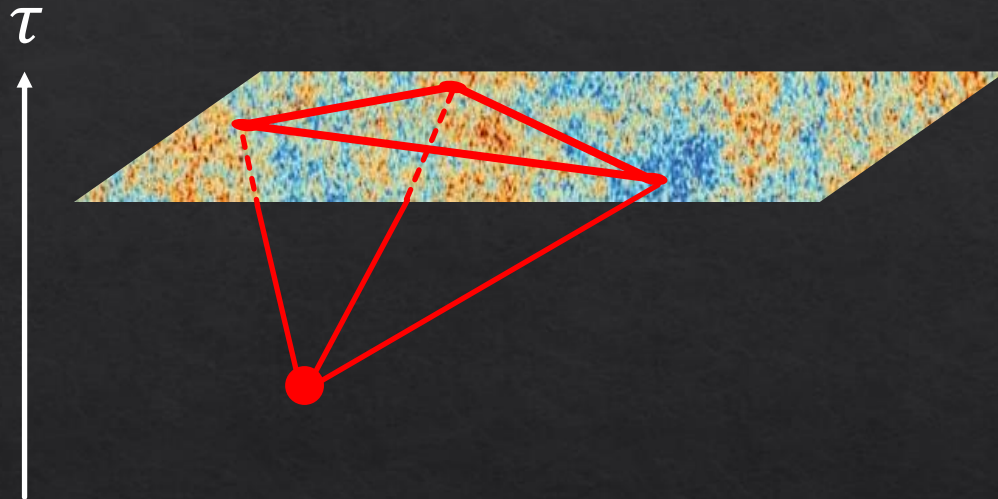
Beyond 2-pt. function: non-Gaussianity (NG)



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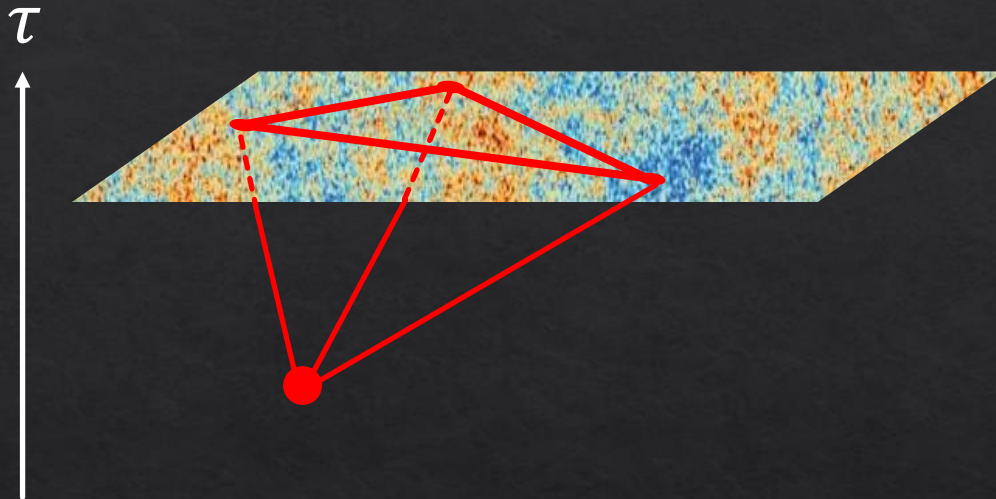
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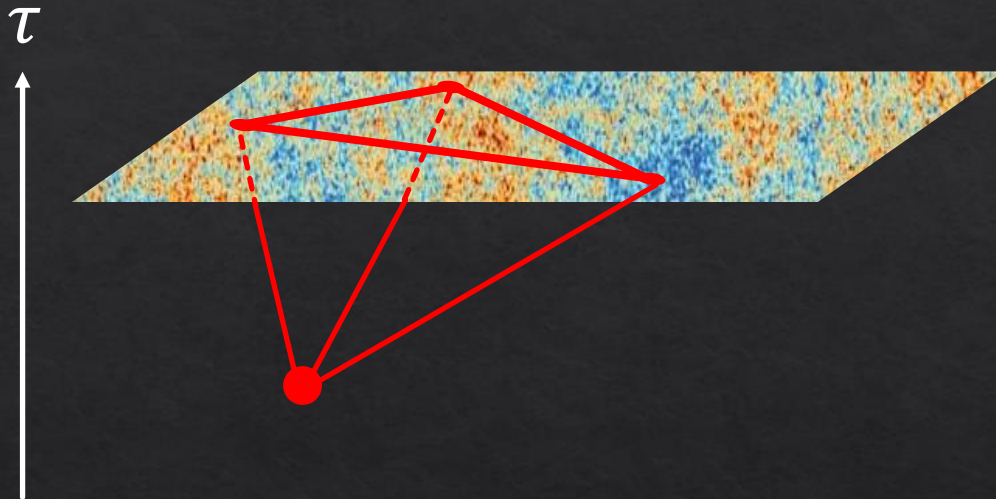
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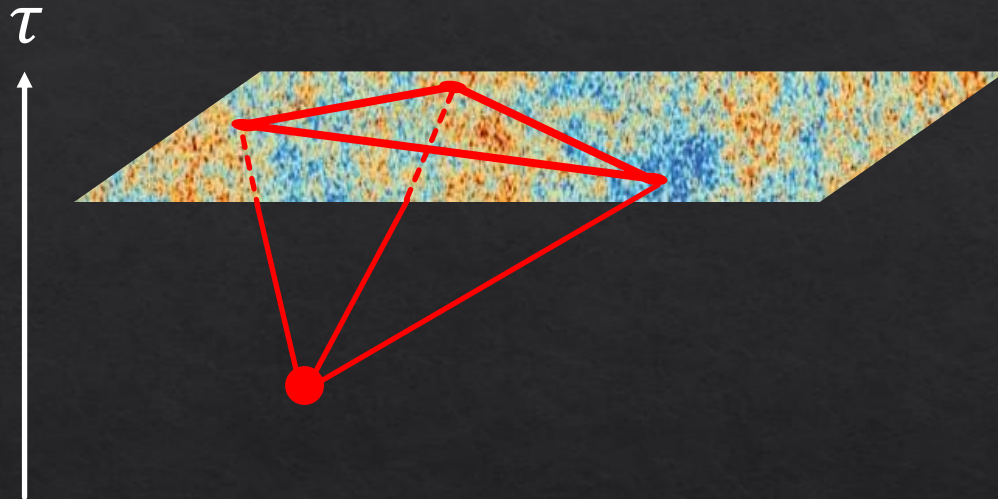
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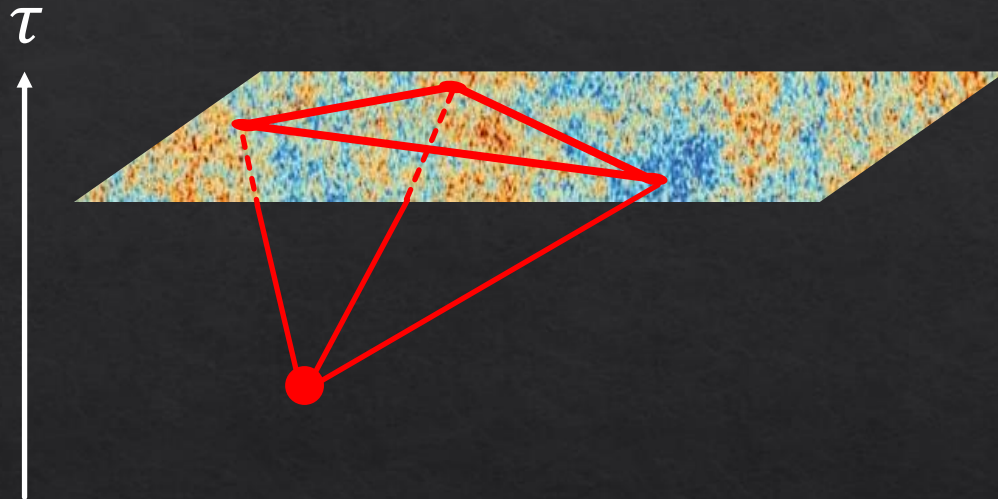
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- Maldacen's consistency relation, Suyama-Yamaguchi bound, ...

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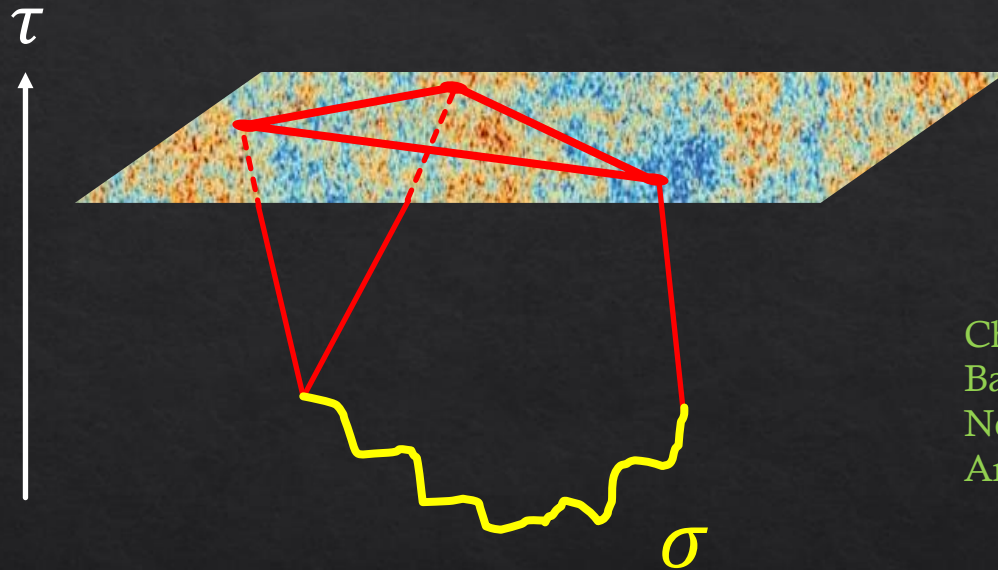
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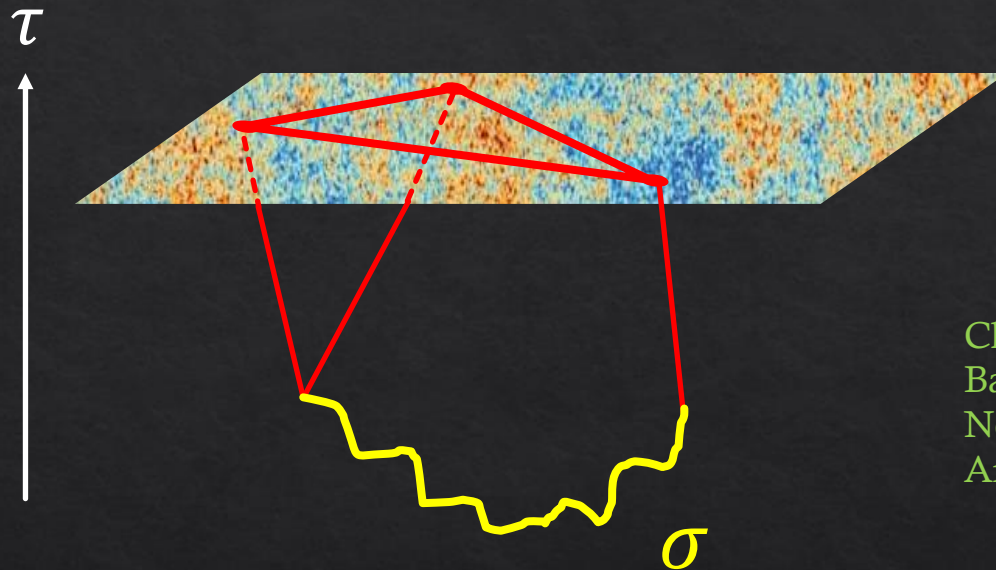
There's more: Cosmological collider (CC)

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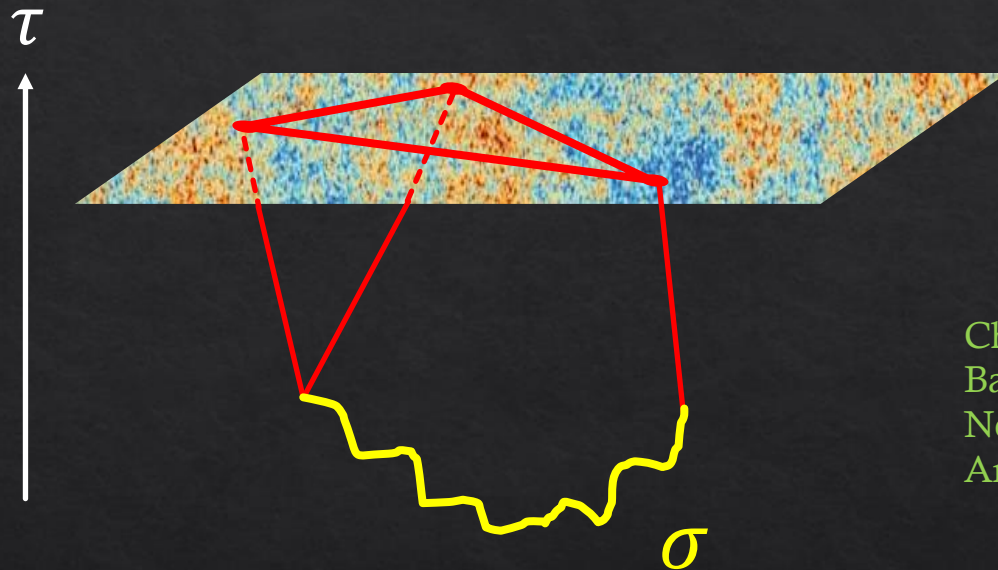
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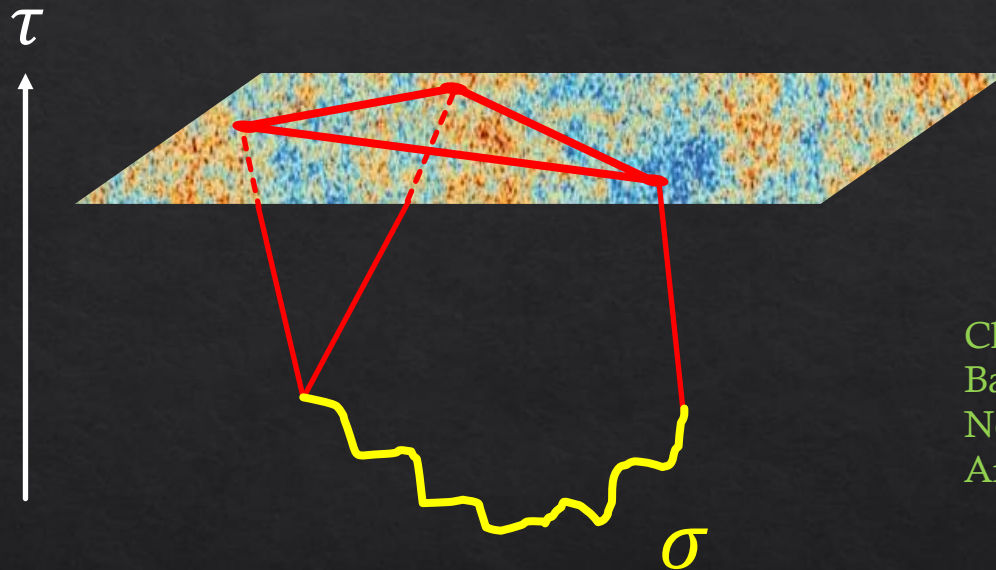
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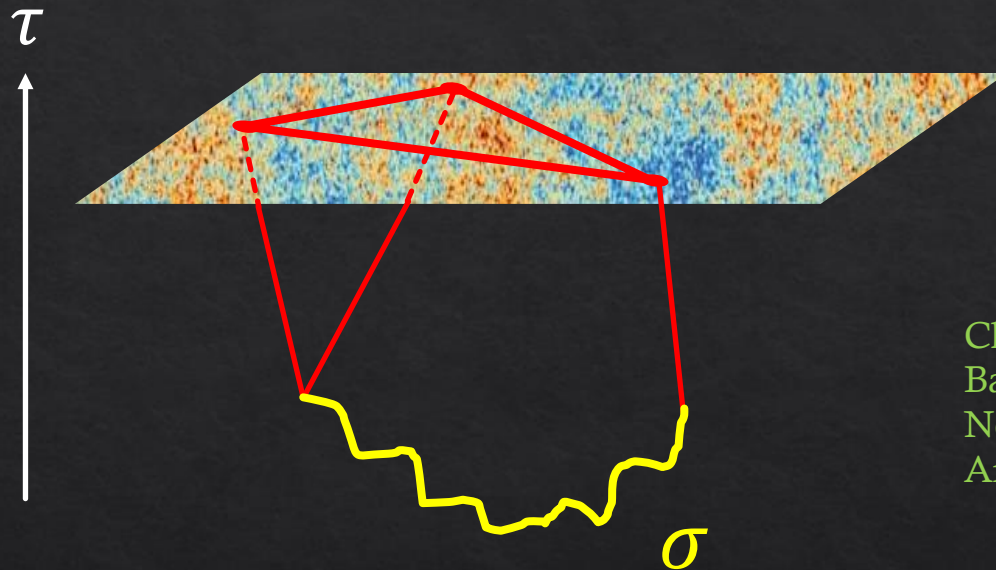
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- **CC = new tool for searching high energy physics**

Many applications

- ✓ SUSY (Baumann, Green, '12)
- ✓ General interactions for a massive scalar by EFT approach (Noumi, Yamaguchi, Yokoyama, '13)
- ✓ Higher spin (H. Lee, D. Baumann, and G. L. Pimentel, '16)
- ✓ Standard model particles, Neutrino (Chen, Wang, Xianyu, '16)
- ✓ Multifield signature (SA, M. Yamaguchi, '20, L. Pinol, SA, S. Renaux-Petel, M. Yamaguchi, '21)
- ✓ Leptogenesis (Cui, Xianyu '21)
- ✓ GUT (Maru, Okawa, '21)

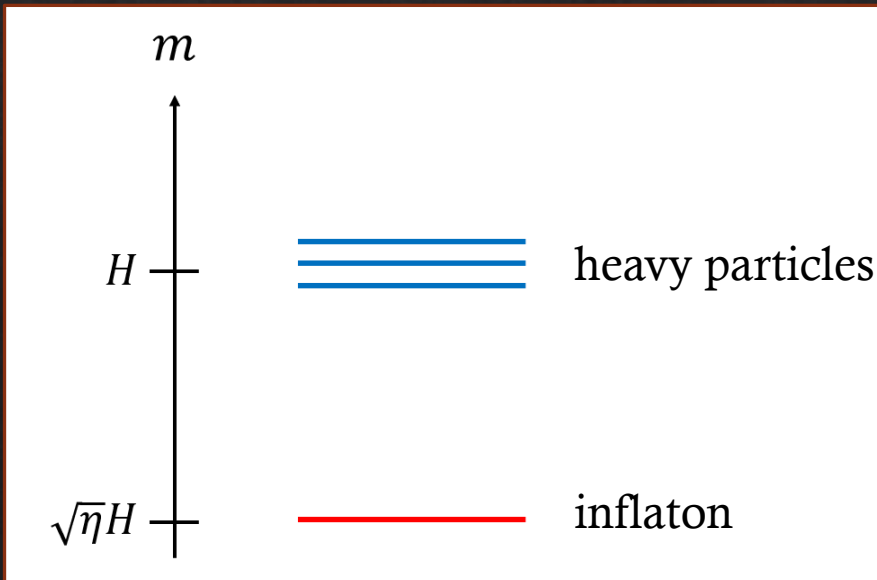
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Question

✓ **single** particle with a definite mass and spin



Q. What about **multiple** particles case?



Natural setup for UV theory
(e.g., soft masses $\sim H$ in
supergravity)

Multifiled on CC

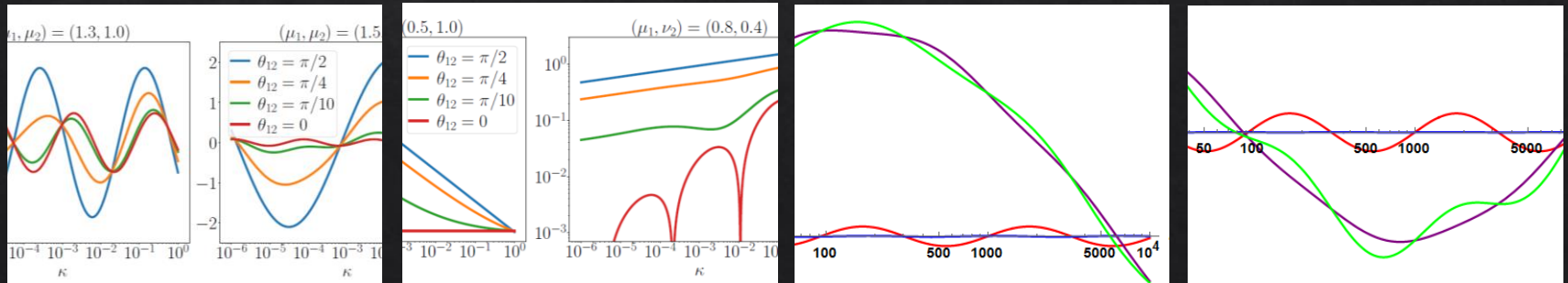
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- ✓ Non-trivial signal for (almost) degenerate masses

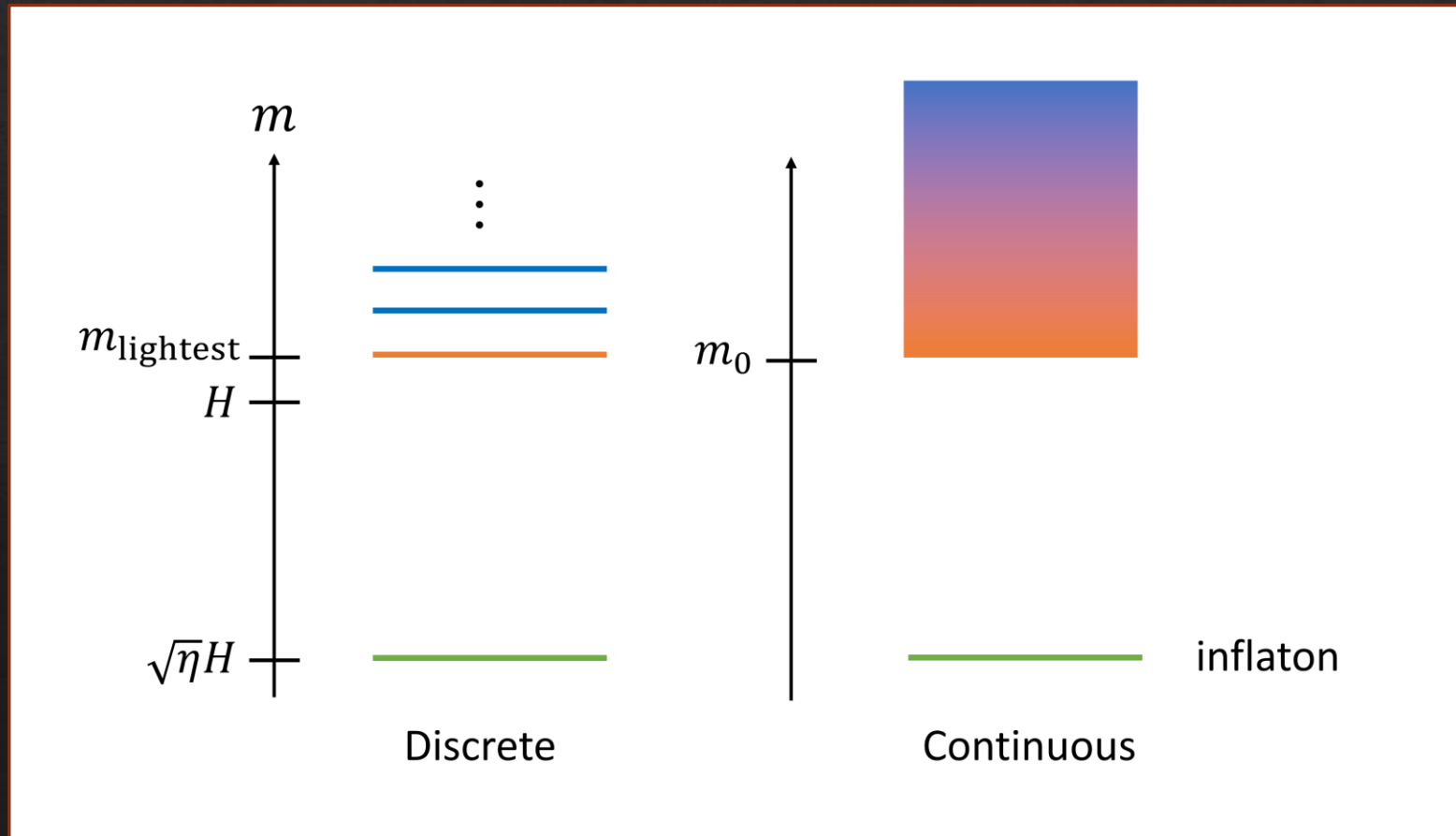
SA, M. Yamaguchi, JHEP 04 (2021) 127

L. Pinol, SA, S. Renaux-Petel, M. Yamaguchi, 2112.05710



Today: what about continuous spectrum?

Motivated by some extra-dimension models

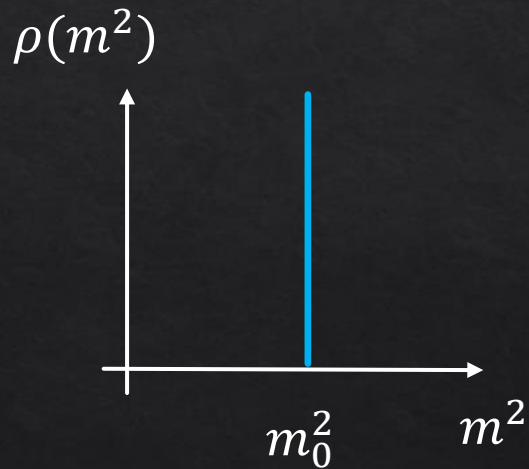


Setup

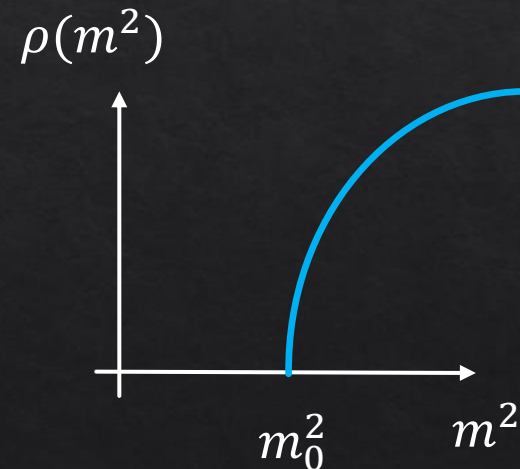
ϕ : inflaton

σ : field with continuous spectrum

characterized by spectral density $\rho(m^2)$

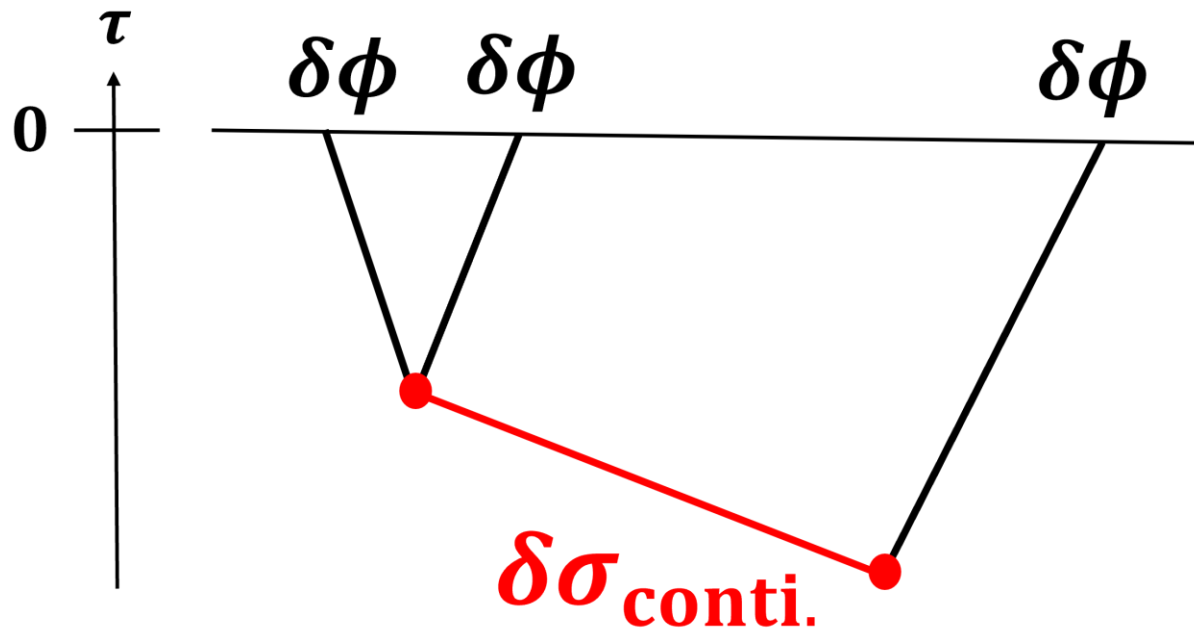


Discrete



Continuous

Interactions



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Continuous case:

$$F_{\text{conti.}} = \int_{m_0^2}^{\infty} \frac{dm^2}{2\pi} \rho(m^2) e^{-\pi\mu} \mathcal{A}(\mu) \sin(\mu \log \kappa + \varphi(\mu))$$

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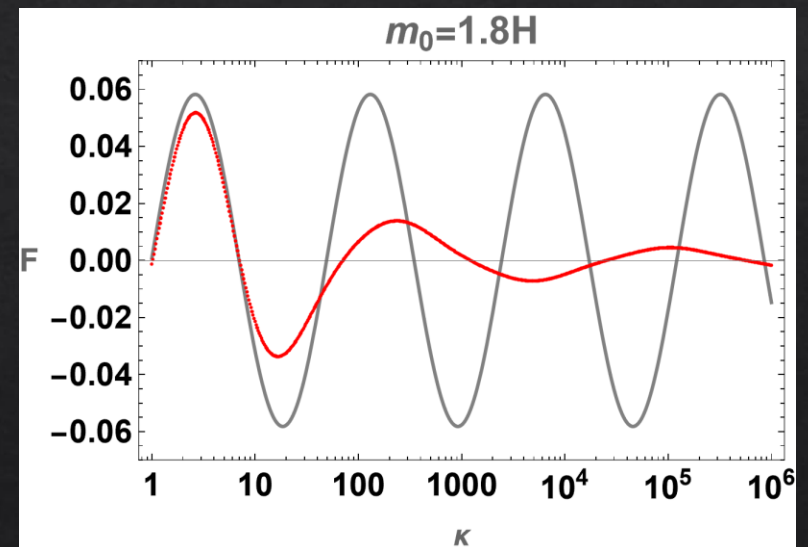
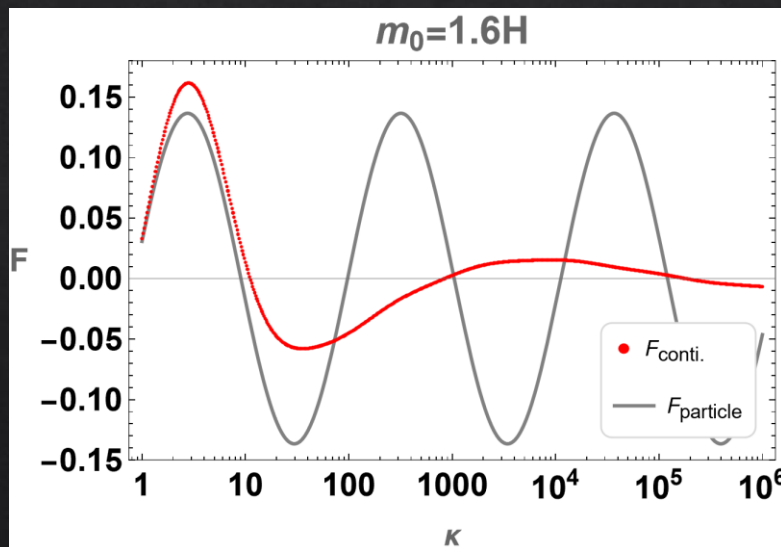
Result

choose a specific spectral density

$$\rho(m^2) = \frac{2\pi}{m_0^2} \sqrt{\frac{m^2}{m_0^2} - 1},$$

E. Megias, M. Quirós, '19

C. Csaki, S. Hong, G. Kurup, S. J. Lee, M. Perelstein, W. Xue, '22



- ✓ Damping amplitude = signal of continuous spectrum
- ✓ $\int dm \sin(m\kappa) \rightarrow 1/\kappa$ factor (consequence of integration)

Summary

- ◇ Cosmological collider (CC) is a new attractive tool for exploring high energy
- ◇ Continuous spectrum on CC (motivated by some extra dimensional models)
 - ✓ damping effects in deep squeezed limit
- ◇ Universal feature independently of $\rho(m^2)$
- ◇ The signal cannot be mimicked by single particle with a definite mass → Strong evidence of continuous spectrum
- ◇ Interesting to think about embedding into concrete UV setup

Thank you for your attention !!

Details

Setup

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}{2} R - \frac{1}{2} f(\sigma) (\partial_\mu \phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \sigma)^2 - V(\phi) - U(\sigma) \right]$$

ϕ : inflaton

σ : field with continuous spectrum

Quantization of fluctuations

$$\delta\phi = \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \left(u_k a_{\mathbf{k}} + u_k^* a_{-\mathbf{k}}^\dagger \right) e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}},$$

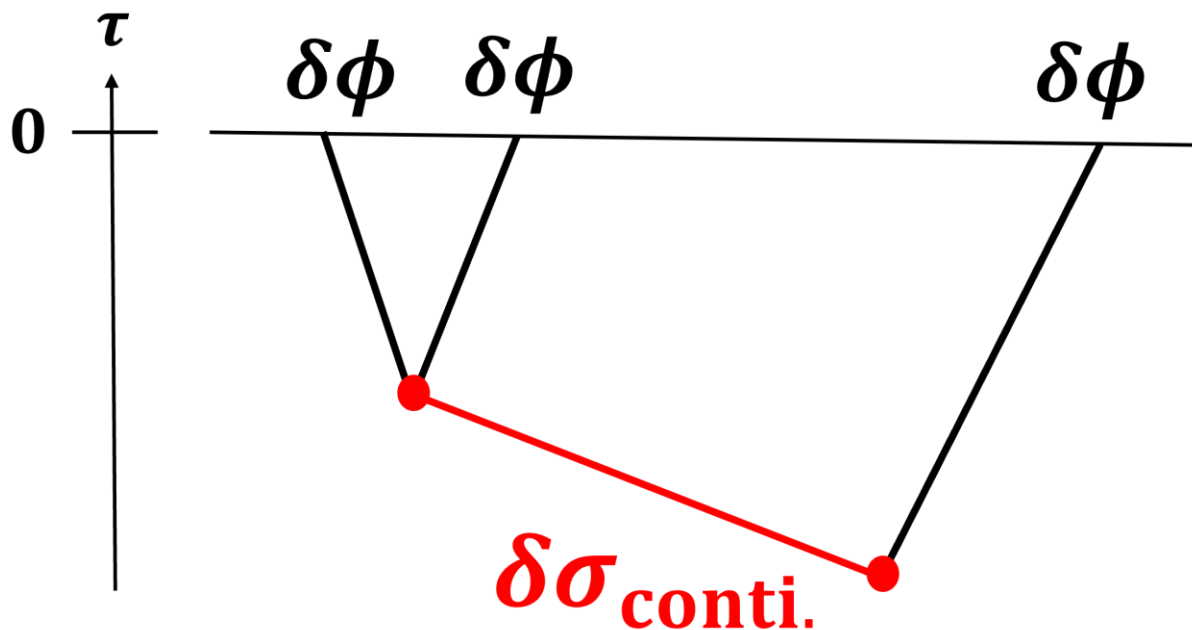
$$\delta\sigma = \int \frac{dm^2}{2\pi} \sqrt{\rho(m^2)} \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \left(v_{k,m} b_{\mathbf{k},m} + v_{k,m}^* b_{-\mathbf{k},m}^\dagger \right) e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}},$$

$\rho(m^2)$: spectral density

Interactions

$$\mathcal{L}_{2,\text{int}} = a^3 f_\sigma \dot{\phi}_0 \delta\sigma \delta\dot{\phi},$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{3,\text{int}} = \frac{a^3}{2} f_\sigma \delta\sigma \left((\delta\dot{\phi})^2 - \frac{1}{a^2} (\partial\delta\phi)^2 \right),$$



Observable:

Curvature perturbation $\zeta \sim -\frac{H}{\dot{\phi}_0} \delta\phi$

def. of shape function ($\sim f_{\text{NL}}$)

$$\langle \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_1} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_2} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_3} \rangle = (2\pi)^7 P_\zeta^2 \frac{1}{(k_1 k_2 k_3)^2} \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3) S(k_1, k_2, k_3)$$

Result

Result in squeezed limit ($\kappa \equiv k_1/k_3 \gg 1$)

$$S = -\frac{\pi}{4} M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \epsilon \left(\frac{f_\sigma}{f} \right)^2 \kappa^{-1/2} \int_{m_0^2}^{\infty} \frac{dm^2}{2\pi} \rho(m^2) e^{-\pi\mu} \text{Im} \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{\kappa} \right)^{-i\mu} J_-(i\mu) + \left(\frac{1}{\kappa} \right)^{i\mu} J_+(i\mu) \right\}$$

↑
New !!

$$\mu = \sqrt{\left(\frac{m}{H} \right)^2 - \frac{9}{4}}.$$

coefficient (analytic expression)

$$J_+(i\mu) = -\frac{\sqrt{\pi} 2^{-1-2i\mu} (e^{\pi\mu} - i) \Gamma(i\mu + \frac{7}{2}) (\text{csch}(\pi\mu) + \text{sech}(\pi\mu))}{(2\mu - i) \Gamma(i\mu + 1)},$$

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