

# Non-Gaussian Spikes from Chaotic Billiards

## Cosmological Fluctuations and Non-Gaussianity from Preheating

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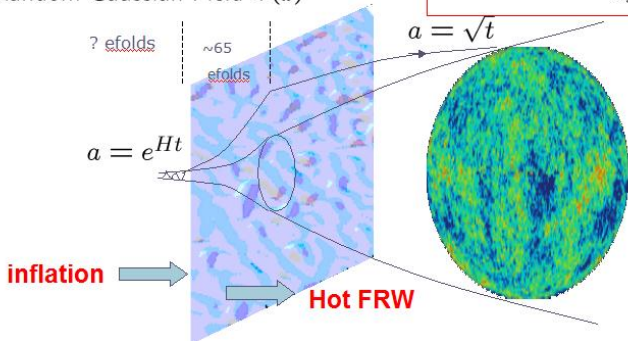
# Cosmological Fluctuations from Inflation

Scalar metric Fluctuations from Inflation  
 $ds^2 = -(1 - 2\Phi)dt^2 + (1 + 2\Phi)a^2d\vec{x}^2$

**Initial conditions from Inflation** →

↓  
Random Gaussian Field  $\Phi(\vec{x})$

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega_{tot} &= 1 \\ k^3 \Phi_k^2 &\rightarrow P_s = A_s k^{n_s - 1} \\ P_T &= \frac{H^2}{M_p^2} k^{n_T} \\ N &= 62 - \ln \frac{10^{16} \text{Gev}}{V_{inf}^{1/4}}\end{aligned}$$

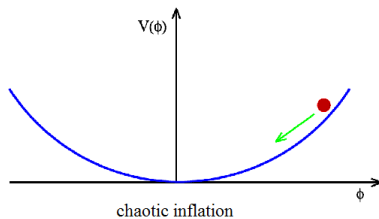


# Preheating

- ▶ At the end of Inflation, Inflaton non-perturbatively decays into other fields.
- ▶ Most models are phenomenological (one exception is our recent work “Preheating After Modular Inflation” → Neil Barnaby’s talk).
- ▶ Usually happens at comoving scale  $\lesssim 1$  m (causality  $\Rightarrow$  no observable signatures on cosmological scales?)

# Chaotic Inflation: $\lambda\phi^4$ Model

$$V = \frac{\lambda}{4}\phi^4$$



$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} + dV/d\phi = 0$$

$$3M_p^2 H^2 = 1/2\dot{\phi}^2 + V(\phi)$$

## Preheating: The Four-leg Interaction Model

$$V(\phi, \chi) = \frac{\lambda}{4}\phi^4 + \frac{1}{2}g^2\phi^2\chi^2$$



$$\frac{g^2}{\lambda} \gg 1 \Rightarrow m_\chi \gg H,$$

$\chi$  fluctuations suppressed  
(trivial case)

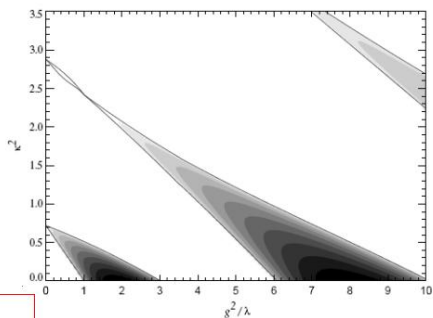
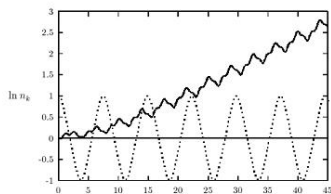
$$\frac{g^2}{\lambda} \sim 1 \Rightarrow m_\chi \lesssim H,$$

$\chi$  fluctuations ✓ (interesting case)

# Parametric Resonance

Exponential Growth of  $\chi_k$

$$\ddot{\chi}_k + 3\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\dot{\chi}_k + \left(\frac{k^2}{a^2} + g^2\phi^2\right)\chi_k = 0$$



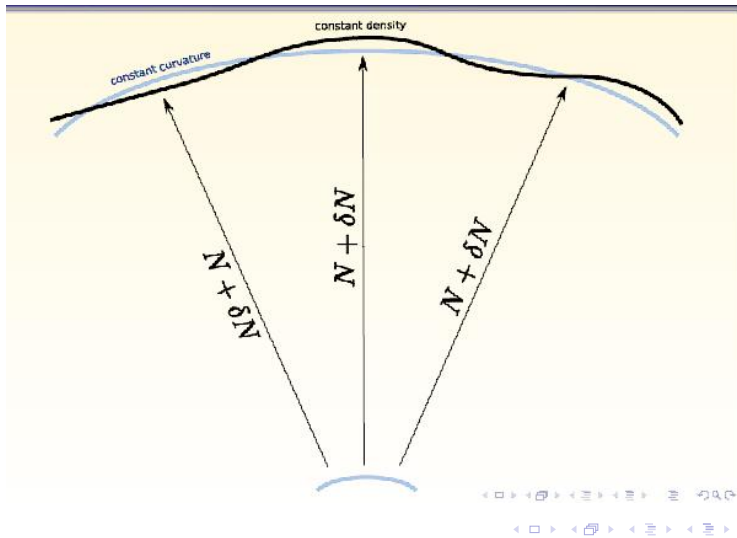
$$n_k \sim e^{2\mu_k T}, \quad \chi_k \sim e^{\mu_k T}$$

Green, Kofman, Linde, Starobinsky 1997

For  $1 < g^2/\lambda < 3$ , the  $k=0$  mode (spatial average of  $\chi$ )  $\langle \chi \rangle$  grows.

# $\delta N$ formula

$$\mathcal{R}_c = \delta N$$





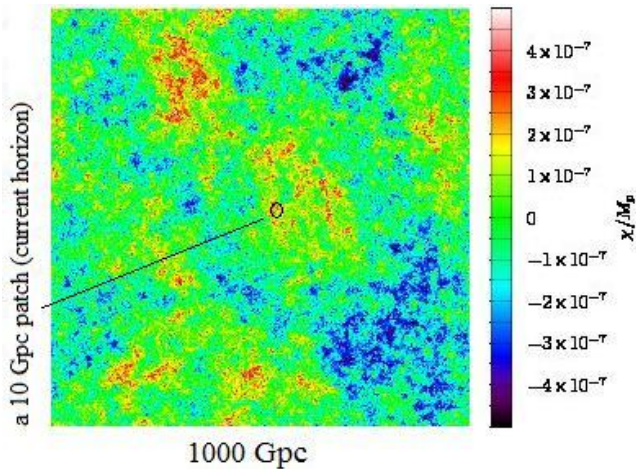
# Choosing the Gauge

- ▶ Cosmological fluctuations from Inflaton  
spatial flat gauge  $\Rightarrow$  comoving gauge ( $\phi = \text{const}$  hypersurface)

$$\mathcal{R}_c = \delta N = H \frac{\delta\phi}{\dot{\phi}}$$

- ▶ Cosmological fluctuations from preheating  
Calculate  $\delta N$  from  $\phi = \text{const}$  hypersurface to comoving slice  
at the end of preheating

# Superhorizon "Landscape"

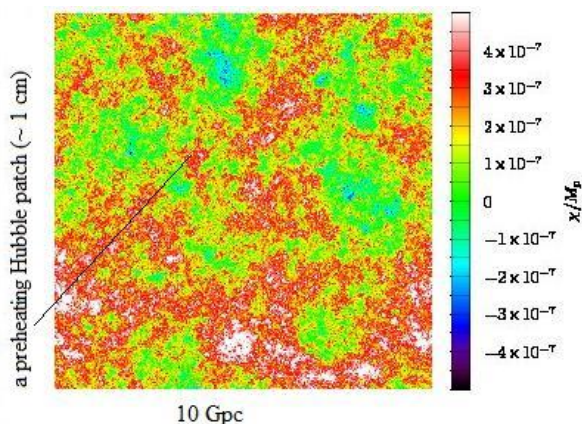


## At Cosmological Scales ( $\sim (aH)^{-1}$ Today)

mean value of  $\chi$  on cosmo-scales  $\langle \chi \rangle_{\text{cosm}}$ : random Gaussian with  $\sigma \sim \sqrt{N_{>h}} \times 10^{-7} M_p$  ;

$N_{>h}$  : # of efolds before cosmo-scales exit the horizon;

Measuring  $\chi_{\text{cosm}} \Rightarrow \text{Prob}(N_{>h})$ ; but limited by cosmic variance

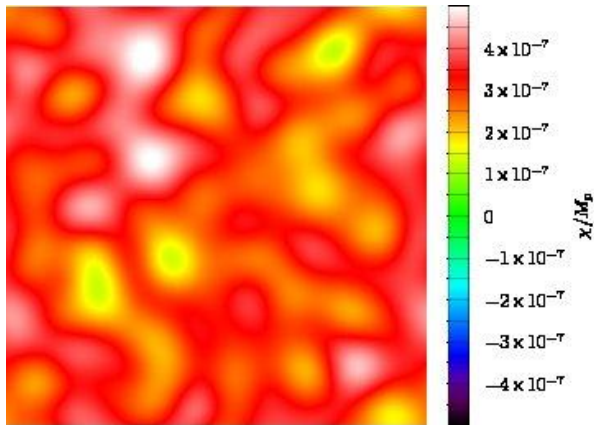


## Preheating Scales ( $\sim (aH)^{-1}$ At the End of Inflation)

$$\langle \chi \rangle = \langle \chi \rangle_{\text{cosm}} + \langle \chi \rangle_{<h}$$

$\langle \chi \rangle_{<h}$  random Gaussian, with  $\sigma = \sqrt{60} \frac{H_{\text{end}}}{2\pi} = 7 \times 10^{-7} M_p$

vacuum fluctuations renormalized



10 cm

# Numerical Simulation

Goal: calculate  $\delta N$  to accuracy  $10^{-8}$  (corresponds to  $f_{nl} \sim 100$ )

A new lattice simulation code **HLattice**

- ▶ Higher (up to 8th) order PDE integrator: good accuracy of energy conservation
- ▶ Can simulate non-canonical scalar fields
- ▶ OMP-MPI hybrid parallel

For normal setups ( $dt \sim 0.1dx$ ): energy conservation levels

LatticeEasy (G. Felder)	$\sim 10^{-4} - 10^{-3}$
DEFROST (A. Frolov)	$\sim 10^{-5} - 10^{-4}$
HLattice (Z. Huang)	$\sim 10^{-12} - 10^{-8}$

Methods:

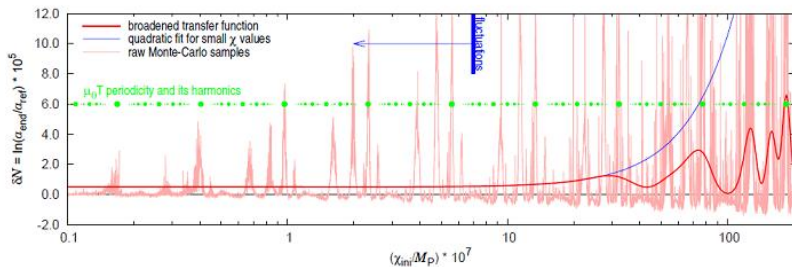
- ▶ use DEFROST/LatticeEasy  
Brute-force calculation using very small timestep  $dt \ll dx$ .
- ▶ use HLattice

# $\delta N(\langle \chi \rangle)$ Response ( $g^2/\lambda = 2$ )

Spikes: Raw data

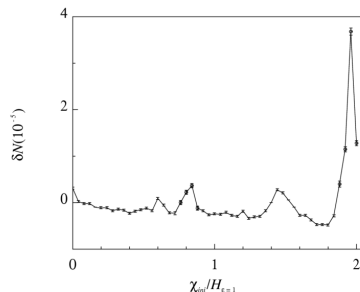
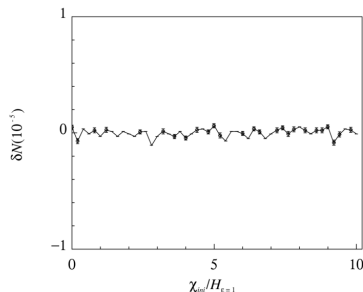
Red line: smoothed to cosmo-scales (convolved with a Gaussian window with  $\sigma = 7 \times 10^{-7} M_p$ ).

Blue line: quadratic fitting

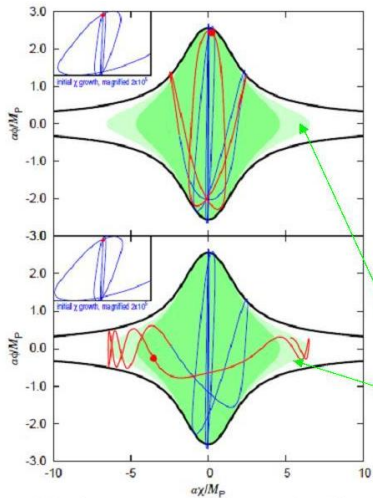


# Numerical accuracy check

- ▶ HLattice agrees with brute-force DEFROST
- ▶ Null test  
 $g^2/\lambda = 3$  (left panel) v.s.  $g^2/\lambda = 2$  (right panel)



# Billiards Entering the Arms



$\langle \chi \rangle = 3.6 \times 10^{-7} M_P$ , "billiards"  
not entering the arms

$\langle \chi \rangle = 3.9 \times 10^{-7} M_P$ , "billiards"  
entering the arms

Potential walls close up in  
non-linear regime.



# Numerical 3D simulation

A 4-panel movie

Visualized 2D slices of field values:

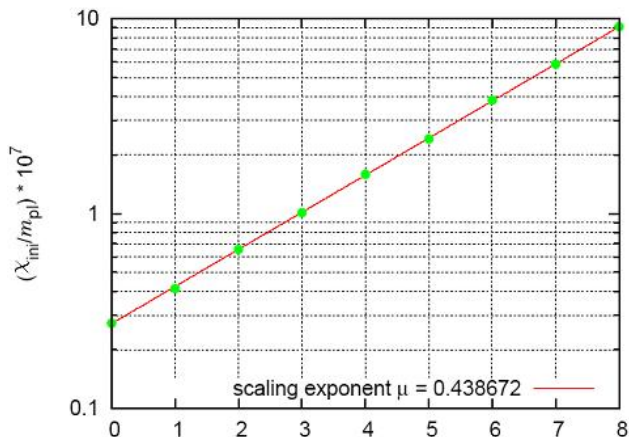
$\chi$ in simulation #1		$\phi$ in simulation #1
$\chi$ in simulation #2		$\phi$ in simulation #2

Guess which simulation box produces  $\delta N$  spike!!

## Periodic Pattern of Spikes

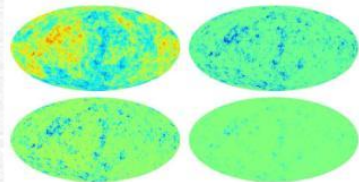
During linear regime  $\langle \chi \rangle = \chi_0 e^{n\mu T}$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

Replacing  $\langle \chi \rangle = \chi_0$  with  $\langle \chi \rangle = \chi_0 e^{\mu T}$  produce similar entering-the-arm dynamics.



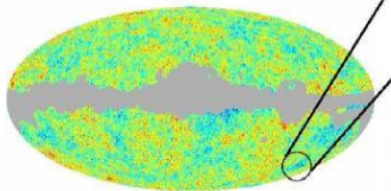
# CMB Cold Spot

- Positive  $\delta N$  spikes
  - positive curvature perturbation  $\mathcal{R}$
  - negative Newtonian potential
  - negative  $\delta T/T$  (ignoring ISW)
  - cold spot

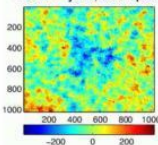


## THE NON-GAUSSIAN COLD SPOT IN THE 3-YEAR WMAP DATA

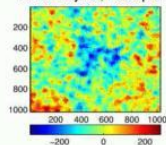
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WCM 1- year, real space



WCM 3- year, real space



# New Form of Non-Gaussianity

The popular formalism of non-Gaussianity:

$$\Phi(\mathbf{x}) = \Phi_G(\mathbf{x}) + f_{\text{nl}}(\Phi_G^2(\mathbf{x}) - \langle \Phi_G^2(\mathbf{x}) \rangle)$$

Our model

$$\Phi(\mathbf{x}) = \Phi_G(\mathbf{x}) + F(\chi(\mathbf{x}))$$

$F$  a highly nonlinear spiky function

Need completely new analysis of CMB map (in progress).

Expecting new signature in CMB polarization (in progress).

End

Thanks