

# *String-Scale SUSY Breaking : Clues for the low- $\ell$ CMB ?*

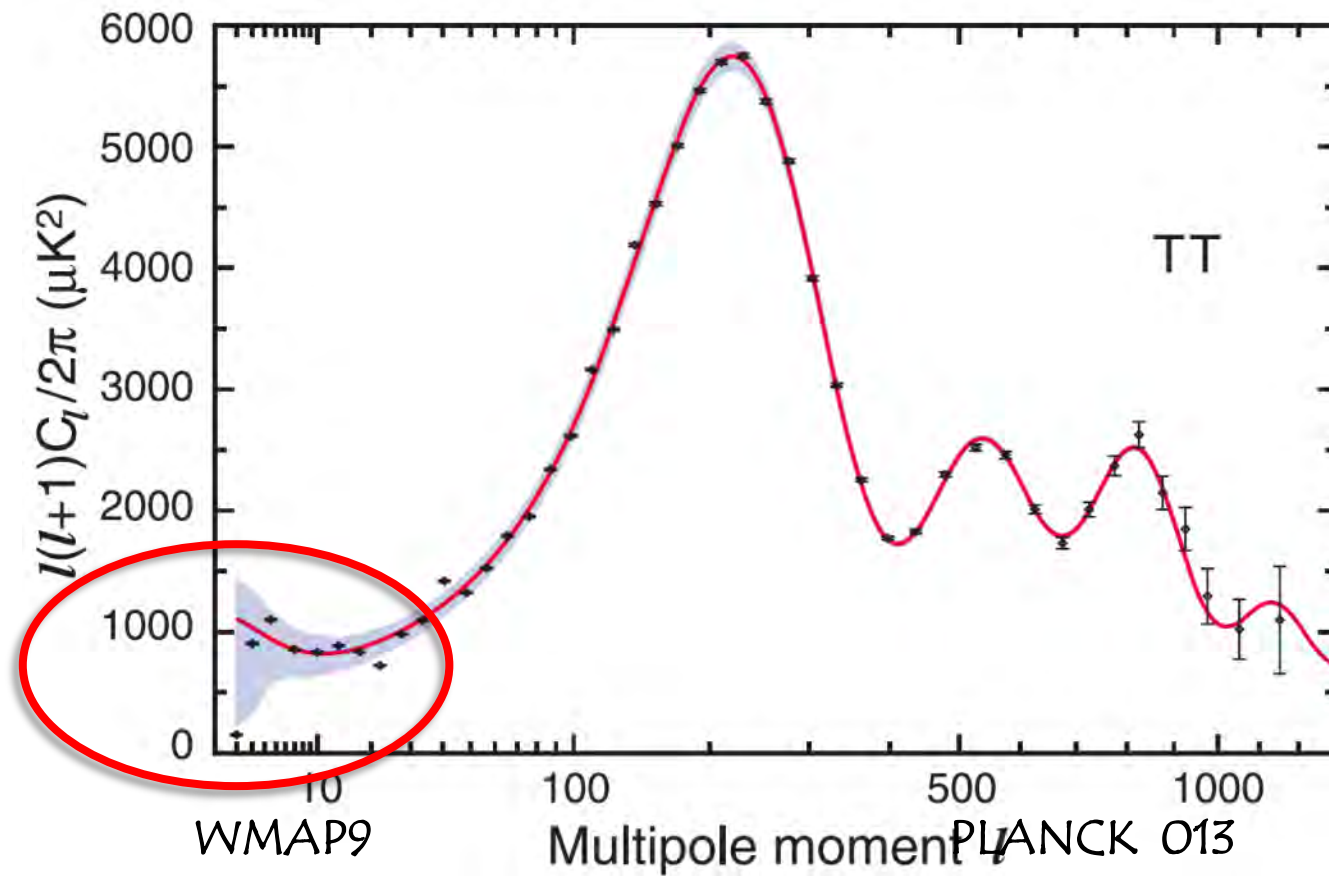
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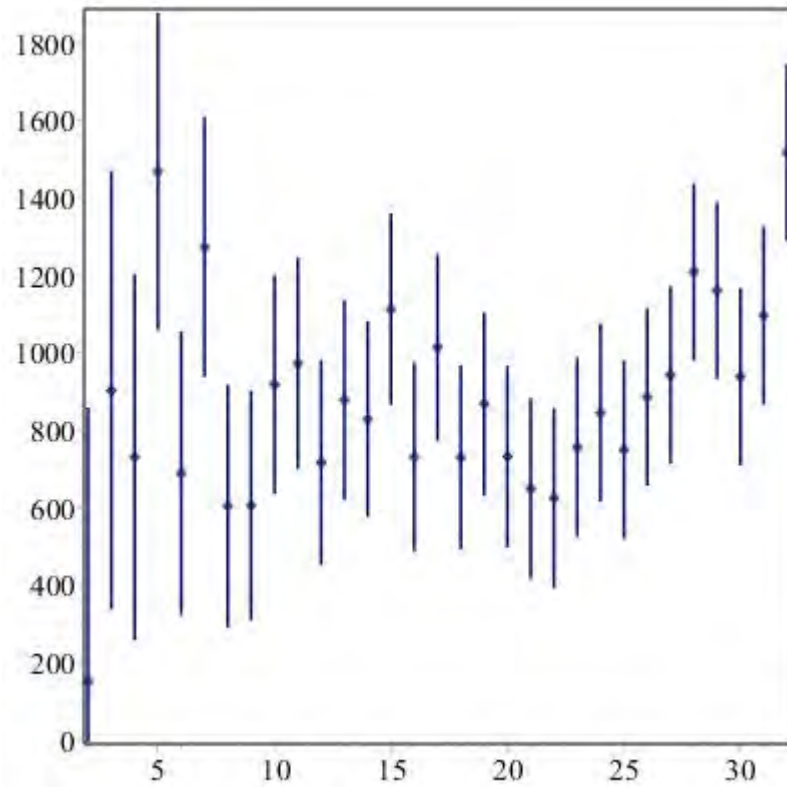
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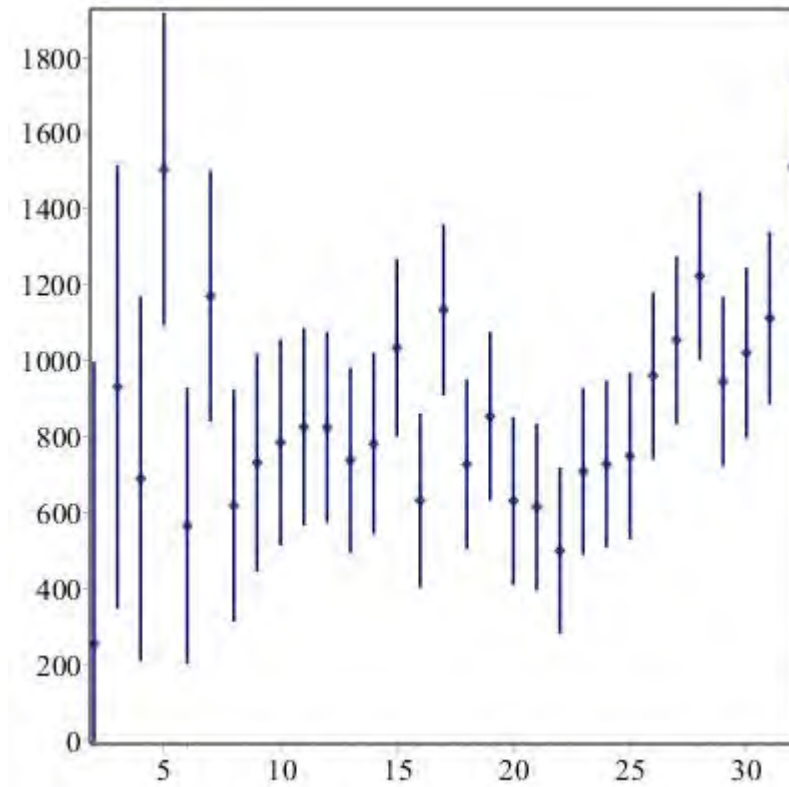


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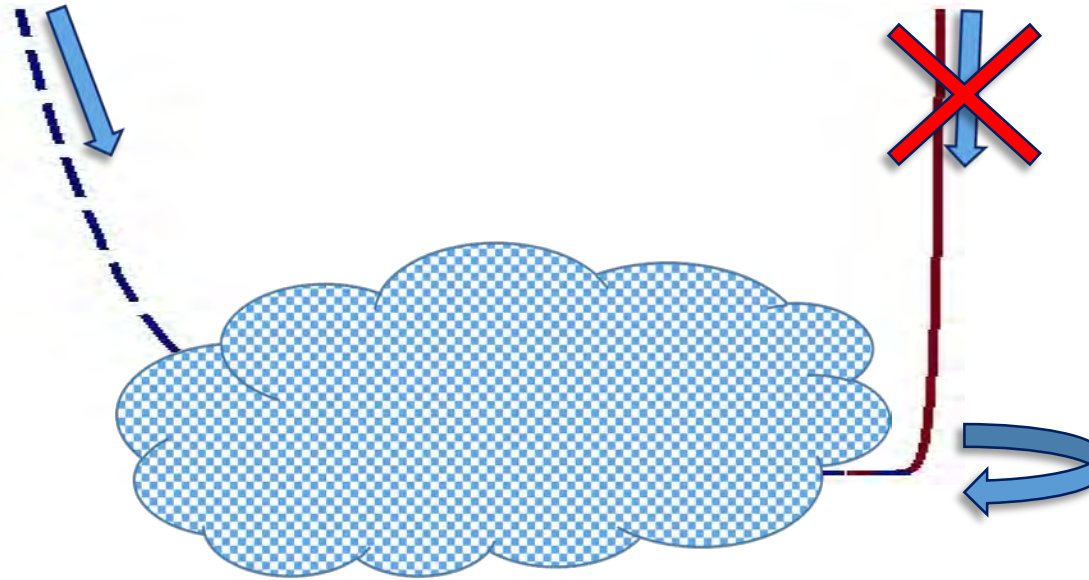


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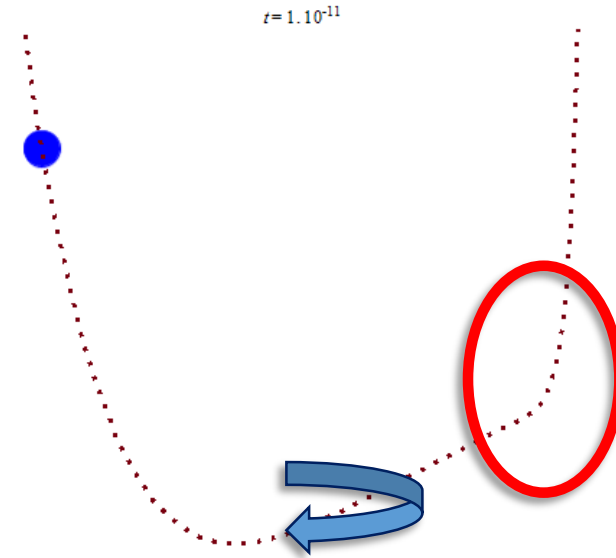


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- **General** effects ( $\forall$  potential)
- **Local** effects (near exp. wall)



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# "Critical" potentials: a Newtonian Analogy

Particle subject to damping and constant force :

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

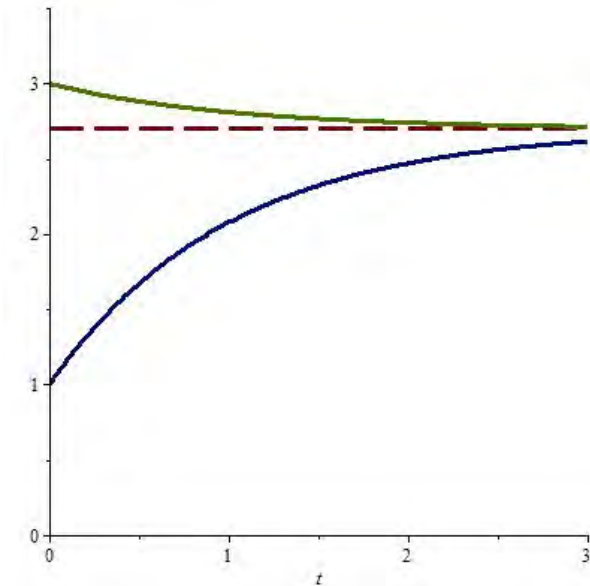
Limiting speed:

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

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

Two classes of solutions:

- approach  $v_{lim}$  from below or from above



As  $\beta/f$  is reduced,  $v_{lim}$  increases without limit. The "upper branch" is eventually lost, leaving way to a single "undamped" solution.

# Cosmological Potentials

- What potentials lead to slow-roll, and where?

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



$$\ddot{\phi} + 3\dot{\phi} \sqrt{\frac{1}{3} \dot{\phi}^2 + \frac{2}{3} V(\phi)} + V' = 0$$

Driving force from  $V'$  *vs* friction from  $V$

- If  $V$  does not vanish: convenient gauge "makes the damping term neater"

$$ds^2 = e^{2\mathcal{B}(t)} dt^2 - e^{\frac{2\mathcal{A}(t)}{d-1}} d\mathbf{x} \cdot d\mathbf{x}$$

$$V e^{2\mathcal{B}} = V_0$$

$$\tau = t \sqrt{\frac{d-1}{d-2}}, \quad \varphi = \phi \sqrt{\frac{d-1}{2(d-2)}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\mathcal{A}}^2 - \dot{\phi}^2 &= 1 \\ \ddot{\phi} + \dot{\phi} \sqrt{1 + \dot{\phi}^2} + \frac{V_\varphi}{2V} (1 + \dot{\phi}^2) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

- Now driving from  $\log V$  *vs*  $O(1)$  damping

$$V = \varphi^n \rightarrow \frac{V'}{2V} = \frac{n}{2\varphi}$$

❖ Quadratic potential? Far away from origin

(Linde, 1983)

❖ Exponential potential? YES or NO

$$V(\varphi) = V_0 e^{2\gamma\varphi} \rightarrow \frac{V'}{2V} = \gamma$$



# $V = e^{2\gamma\varphi}$ : Climbing & Descending Scalars

(Halliwell, 1987;..., Dudaş and Mourad, 1999; Russo, 2004; Dudaş, Kitazawa, AS, 2010)

- $\gamma < 1$ ? Both signs of speed

a. "Climbing" solution ( $\varphi$  climbs, then descends):

$$\dot{\varphi} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sqrt{\frac{1-\gamma}{1+\gamma}} \coth\left(\frac{\tau}{2} \sqrt{1-\gamma^2}\right) - \sqrt{\frac{1+\gamma}{1-\gamma}} \tanh\left(\frac{\tau}{2} \sqrt{1-\gamma^2}\right) \right]$$

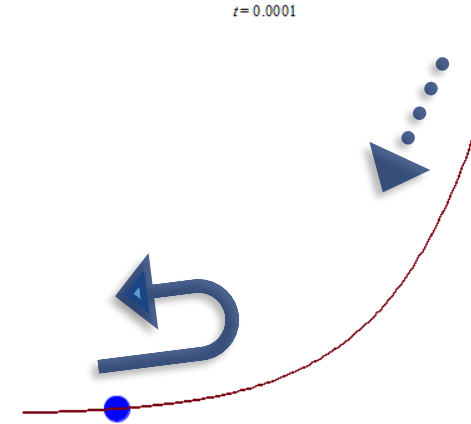
b. "Descending" solution ( $\varphi$  only descends):

$$\dot{\varphi} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sqrt{\frac{1-\gamma}{1+\gamma}} \tanh\left(\frac{\tau}{2} \sqrt{1-\gamma^2}\right) - \sqrt{\frac{1+\gamma}{1-\gamma}} \coth\left(\frac{\tau}{2} \sqrt{1-\gamma^2}\right) \right]$$

Limiting  $\tau$ - speed (LM attractor):

(Lucchin and Matarrese, 1985)

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



$\gamma = 1$  is "critical": LM attractor & descending solution disappear there and beyond

CLIMBING: in ALL asymptotically exponential potentials with  $\gamma \geq 1$  !

10D STRING THEORY HAS PRECISELY  $\gamma = 1$

- $\gamma = 1$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(\tau) &= \varphi_0 + \frac{1}{2} \left[ \log |\tau - \tau_0| - \frac{1}{2} (\tau - \tau_0)^2 \right] \\ \mathcal{A}(\tau) &= \mathcal{A}_0 + \frac{1}{2} \left[ \log |\tau - \tau_0| + \frac{1}{2} (\tau - \tau_0)^2 \right] \end{aligned}$$



# Brane SUSY Breaking (BSB)

❖ Two types of string spectra: closed *or* open + closed

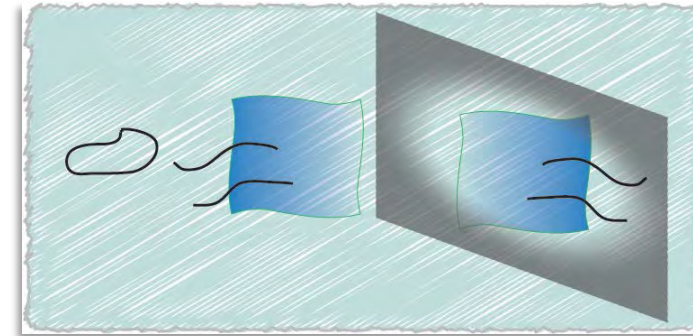
- [Connected by world-sheet projection & twistings]

(AS, 1987)

- [Vacuum filled with D-branes and Orientifolds (mirrors)]

(Polchinski, 1995)

❖ Different options to fill the vacuum :



- SUSY collections of D-branes and Orientifolds → Superstrings

❖ (Tachyon-free) Non-SUSY → Brane SUSY breaking (BSB)

(Sugimoto, 1999)

(Antoniadis, Dudas, AS, 1999)

(Angelantonj, 1999)

(Aldazabal, Uranga, 1999)

❖ BSB : D+O Tensions → "critical" exponential potential  $V = V_0 e^{2\varphi}$

# Critical Exponentials and BSB

(Duřas, Kitazawa, AS, 2010)  
(AS, 2013)  
(Fré, AS, Sorin, 2013)

❖ STRING THEORY PREDICTS the exponent in  $V = V_0 e^{2\varphi}$

- D=10 : Polyakov expansion and dilaton tadpole

$$\mathcal{S} = \frac{1}{2k_N^2} \int d^{10}x \sqrt{-\det g} \left[ R + \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - T e^{\frac{3}{2} \phi} + \dots \right] \longrightarrow \gamma = 1 \text{ (for } \varphi)$$

- $D < 10$  : two combinations of  $\phi$  and "breathing mode"  $\sigma \rightarrow (\Phi_s, \Phi_t)$
- $\Phi_t$  yields a "critical"  $\phi$  ( $\gamma = 1$ ) if  $\Phi_s$  is stabilized

$$S_d = \frac{1}{2\kappa_d^2} \int d^d x \sqrt{-g} \left[ R + \frac{1}{2} (\partial \Phi_s)^2 + \frac{1}{2} (\partial \Phi_t)^2 - T_9 e^{\sqrt{\frac{2(d-1)}{d-2}} \Phi_t} + \dots \right]$$

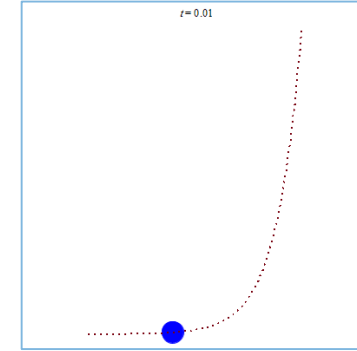
- If  $\Phi_s$  is stabilized: a p-brane that couples via  $(g_s)^{-\alpha}$  yields :  
[the D9-brane we met before had  $p=9, \alpha=1$ ]

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{12} (p + 9 - 6\alpha) \quad \text{[ NOTE: all multiples of } \frac{1}{12} \simeq 0.08 \text{ ]}$$

# Onset of Inflation via BSB & Climbing?

❖ Critical exponential  $\rightarrow$  CLIMBING

❖ NOT ENOUGH: need "flat portion" for slow-roll  
[Here we must "guess" (modulo previous slide)]



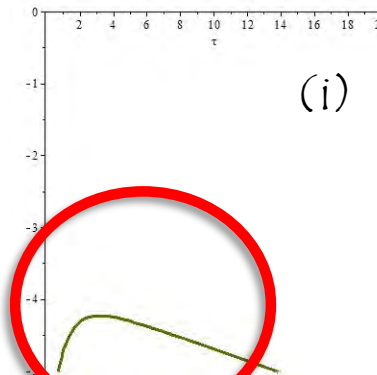
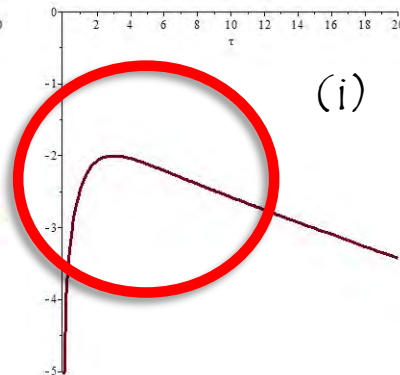
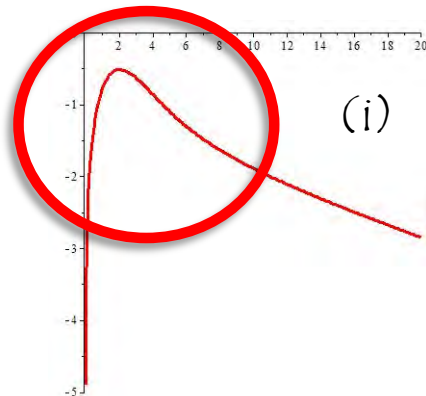
i. Two-exp:  $V(\varphi) = V_0 (e^{2\varphi} + e^{2\gamma\varphi})$   $\left[ \gamma = \frac{1}{12} \rightarrow n_s = 0.957 \right]$  (PLANCK015 :  $0.968 \pm 0.06$ )

• More generally :

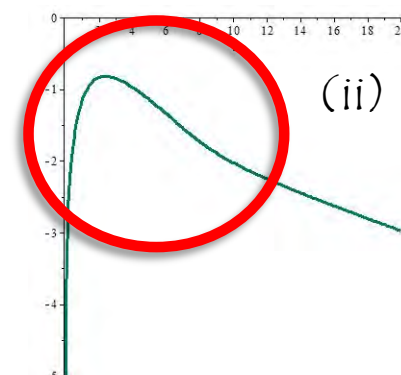
$$V(\varphi) = V_0 (e^{2\varphi} + e^{2\gamma\varphi}) + V'(\varphi)$$

ii. Two-exp + gaussian bump :

$$V(\varphi) = V_0 \left( e^{2\varphi} + e^{2\gamma\varphi} + a_1 e^{-a_2(\varphi+a_3)^2} \right)$$



$$\varphi(\tau)$$



# Integrable Climbing Cosmologies

(Fré, A.S., Sorin, 2013)

Let us see how to construct **integrable one-scalar Cosmologies** that are qualitatively similar to the preceding 2-exp models.

Starting point (recall: choice of  $\mathcal{B}$  is a choice of gauge) :

$$ds^2 = e^{2\mathcal{B}(t)} dt^2 - e^{\frac{2\mathcal{A}(t)}{D-1}} d\mathbf{x} \cdot d\mathbf{x}$$

$$\mathcal{L} = e^{\mathcal{A} - \mathcal{B}} \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \dot{\mathcal{A}}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \dot{\varphi}^2 - e^{2\mathcal{B}} \mathcal{V}(\varphi) \right]$$

**Example 1:** [We can take ( $\gamma < 1$ )]

$$\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{A}$$

$$\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{V}_0 \left( e^{2\gamma\varphi} + C_2 e^{\frac{2}{\gamma}\varphi} \right)$$

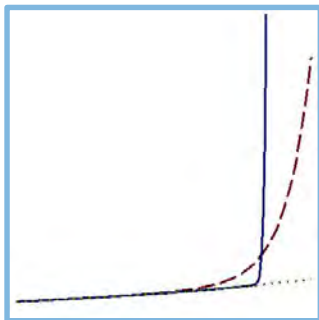
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# Example 1 (cont'd)

(Fré, A.S., Sorin, 2013)

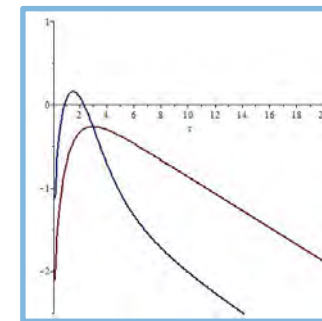
By a "Lorentz boost" we can define new variables for which the dynamics is **separable** ( $\gamma < 1$ ) :



$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \dot{\hat{\varphi}}^2 - \dot{\hat{\mathcal{A}}}^2 \right) - \nu_0 \left( e^{2\sqrt{1-\gamma^2}\hat{\mathcal{A}}} + e^{\frac{2}{\gamma}\sqrt{1-\gamma^2}\hat{\varphi}} \right)$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{A}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\gamma^2}} (\mathcal{A} + \gamma\varphi)$$

$$\hat{\varphi} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\gamma^2}} (\varphi + \gamma\mathcal{A})$$



The solution is then obtained via **quadrature** for both fields, and returning to the original variables:

$$\omega^2 = \frac{\lambda}{\gamma} \sqrt{1-\gamma^2} e^{2\mathcal{A}_0} \sqrt{1-\gamma^2}$$

$$e^{\varphi} = e^{\varphi_0} \left[ \frac{\sinh(\omega\gamma\tau)}{\cosh \omega(\tau - \tau_0)} \right]^{\frac{\gamma}{1-\gamma^2}} \quad e^{\mathcal{A}} = e^{\mathcal{A}_0} \left[ \frac{\cosh^{\gamma^2} \omega(\tau - \tau_0)}{\sinh(\omega\gamma\tau)} \right]^{\frac{1}{1-\gamma^2}}$$

# Example II

(Fré, A.S., Sorin, 2013)

$$ds^2 = -e^{-2\gamma\mathcal{A}} dt^2 + e^{\frac{2\mathcal{A}}{D-1}} d\mathbf{x} \cdot d\mathbf{x}$$

$$\mathcal{V}(\varphi) = e^{2\gamma\varphi} + e^{(\gamma+1)\varphi} \quad \left( \gamma = -\frac{7}{6} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{A} = \log \left( x^{\frac{1}{1+\gamma}} y^{\frac{1}{1-\gamma}} \right), \quad \varphi = \log \left( x^{\frac{1}{1+\gamma}} y^{-\frac{1}{1-\gamma}} \right)$$

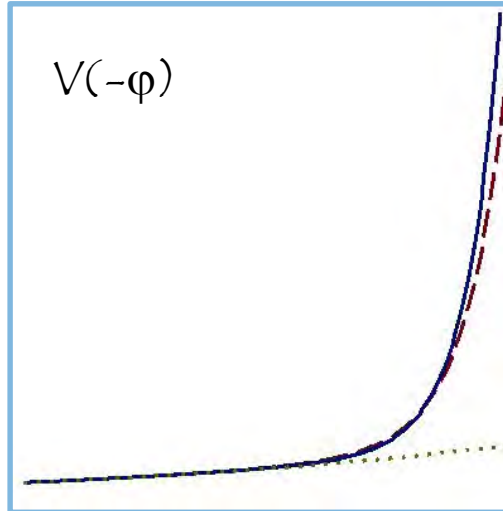
$$\mathcal{L} = -4\dot{x}\dot{y} - 2(1-\gamma^2) \left[ C_1 xy + C_2 x^{\frac{2}{1+\gamma}} \right]$$

$$\dot{x}\dot{y} = \frac{1-\gamma^2}{2} \left[ C_1 xy + C_2 x^{\frac{2}{1+\gamma}} \right] \quad (\text{Ham. Constr.})$$

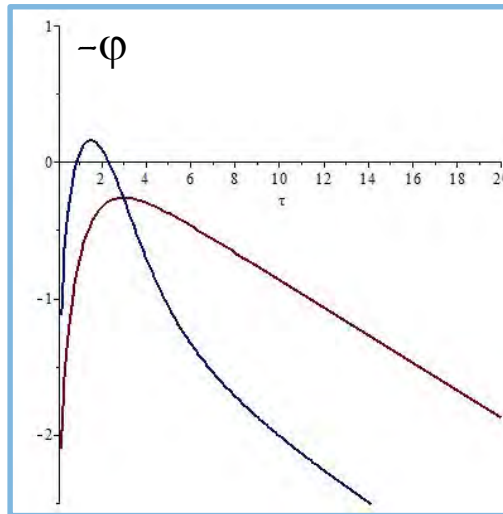
**NOTE:**  $\gamma$  - eq. elementary, source for other

$$\begin{aligned} \omega &= \sqrt{\frac{\gamma^2 - 1}{2}} \\ x &= \sin(\omega t) \\ y &= \left[ a - \frac{1}{\gamma+1} \int_{\sin^2(\omega t)}^1 du u^{\frac{1-\gamma}{2(\gamma+1)}} (1-u)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right] \cos(\omega t) \\ &\quad - \left[ \sin(\omega t) \right]^{\frac{\gamma+3}{\gamma+1}} \quad (0 < \omega t < \omega t^*) \end{aligned}$$

$V(-\varphi)$



$-\varphi$



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- MS equation :

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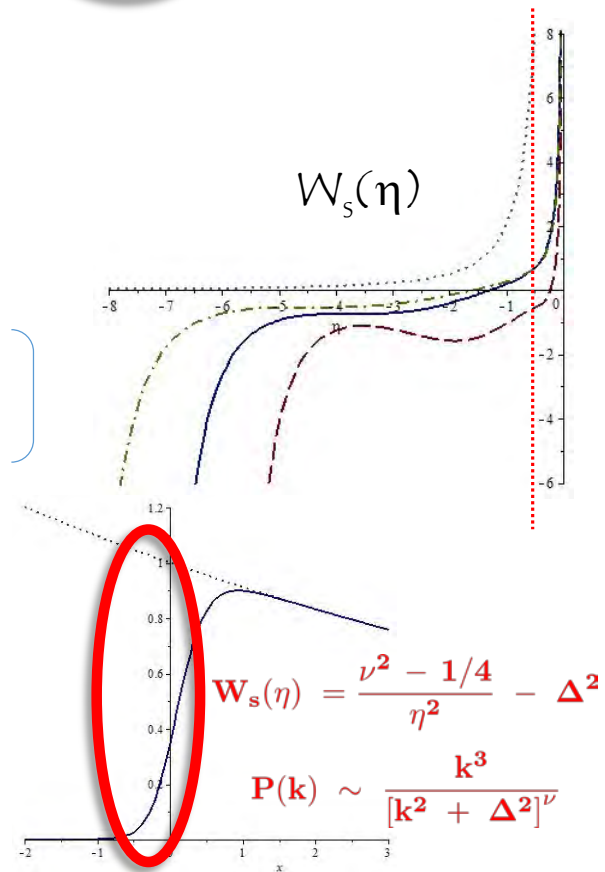
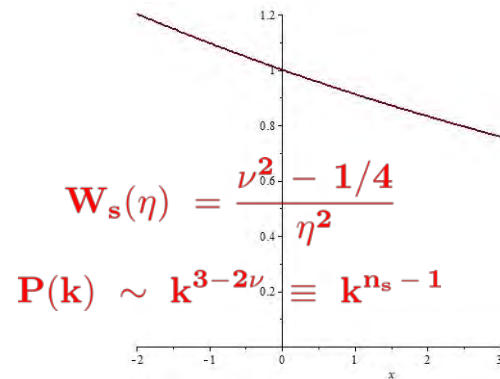
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(Chibisov, Mukhanov, 1981)





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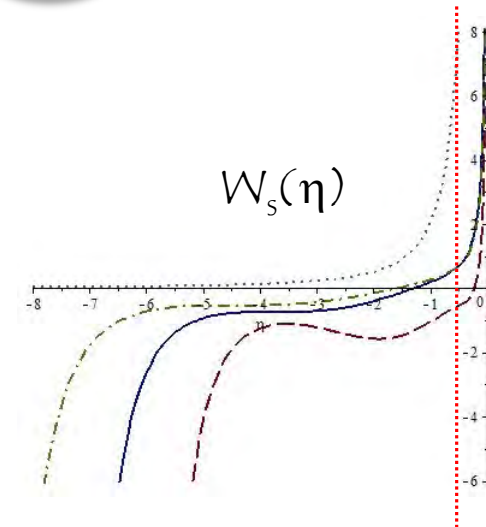
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LOW CMB QUADRUPOLE FROM THIS PHENOMENON ?

Additional signature  $\rightarrow$  pre-inflationary peak !

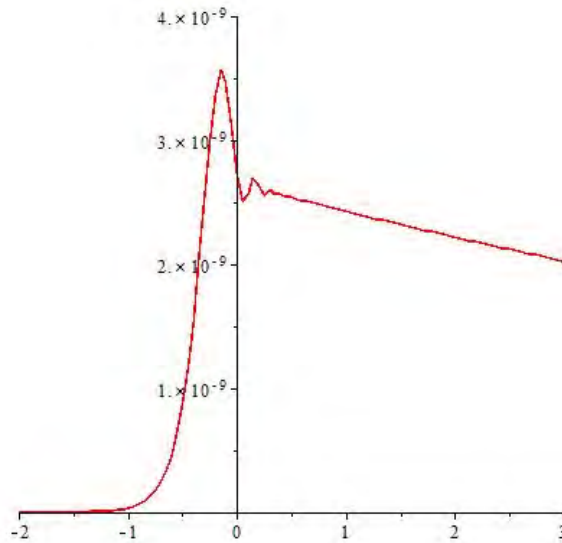
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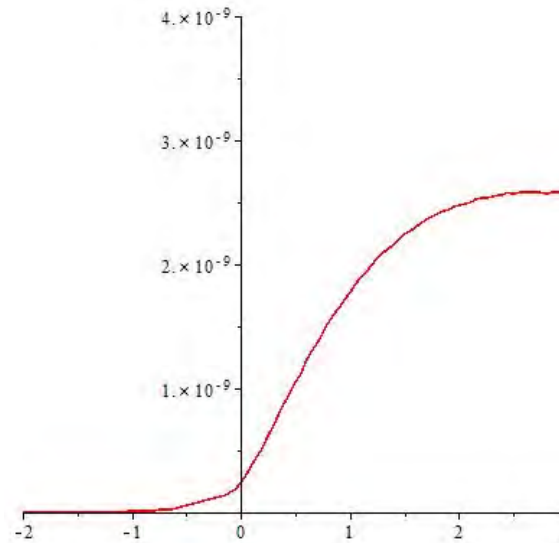
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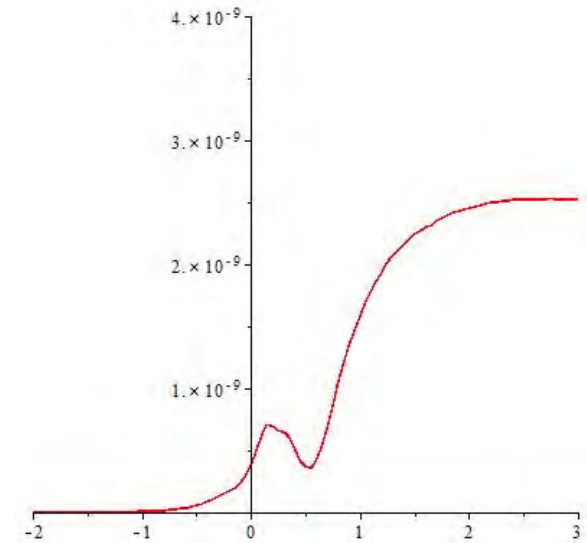
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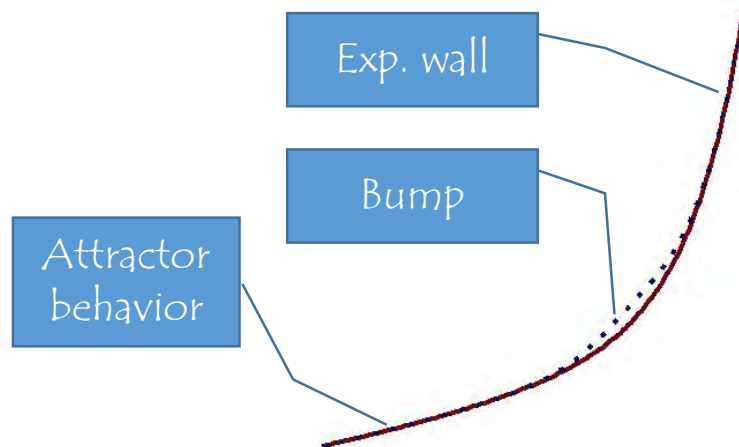


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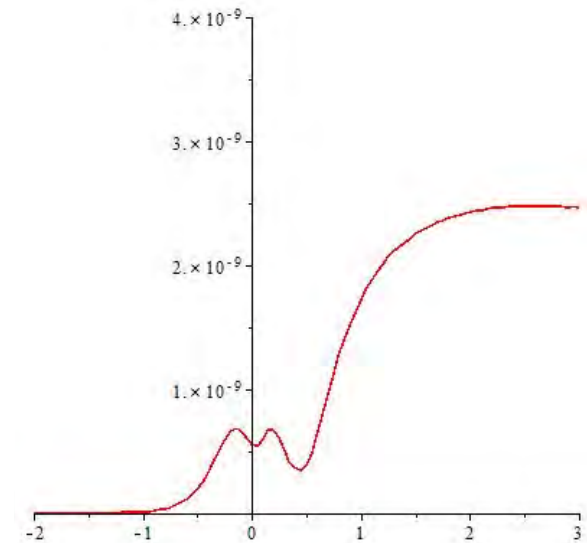
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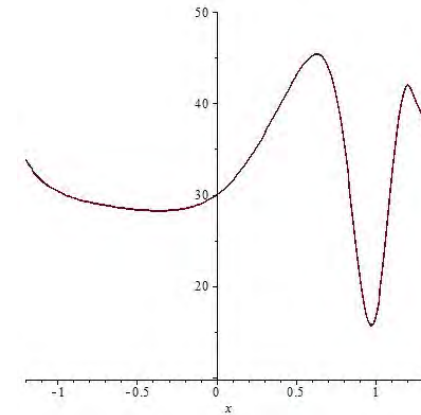
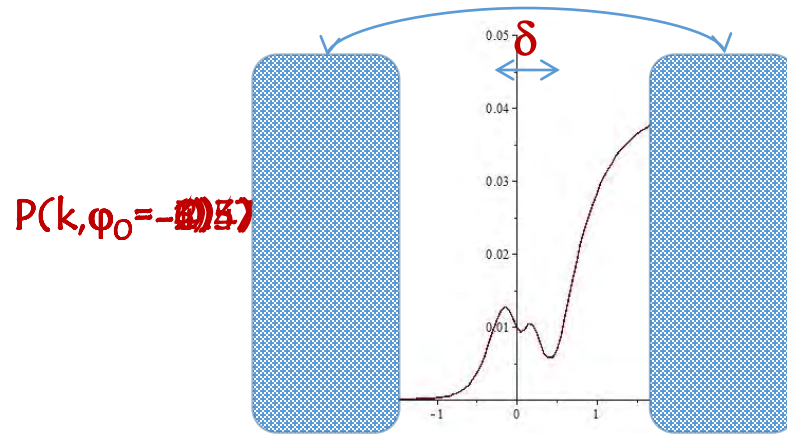
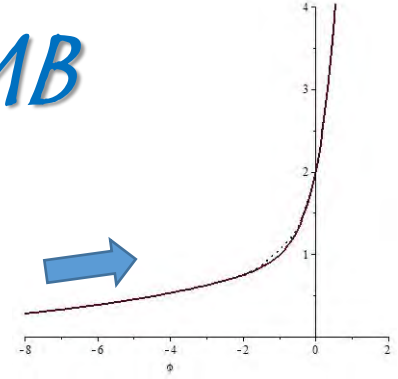
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# $\chi^2$ - Fits of the Low- $\ell$ CMB

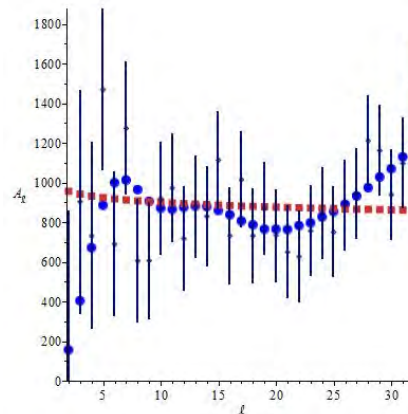
$$A_\ell(\varphi_0, \mathcal{M}, \delta) = \mathcal{M} \ell(\ell+1) \int_0^\infty \frac{dk}{k} \mathcal{P}_\zeta(k, \varphi_0) j_\ell^2(k 10^\delta)$$

$$V(\varphi) = V_0 \left( e^{2\varphi} + e^{2\gamma\varphi} + a_1 e^{-a_2(\varphi+a_3)^2} \right) \quad (\gamma, a_1, a_2, a_3) = (0.08, 0.065, 4, 1)$$



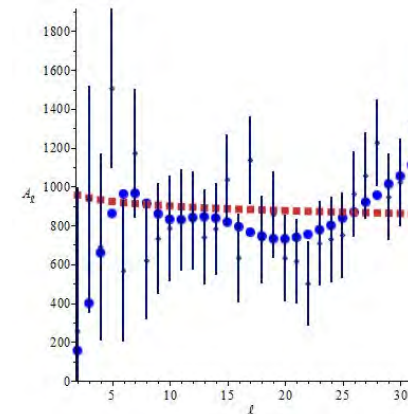
Comparison with WMAP9 ( $\chi^2_{\text{attr}} = 25.5$ )

$\chi^2_{\text{min}} = 12.8$



Comparison with PLANCK '13 ( $\chi^2_{\text{attr}} = 30.3$ )

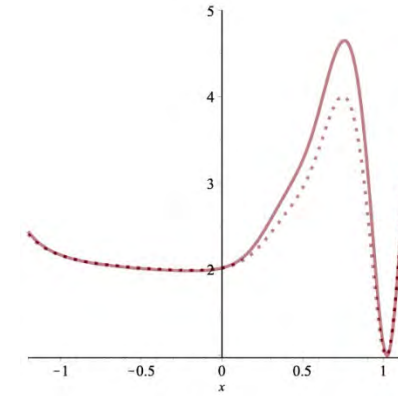
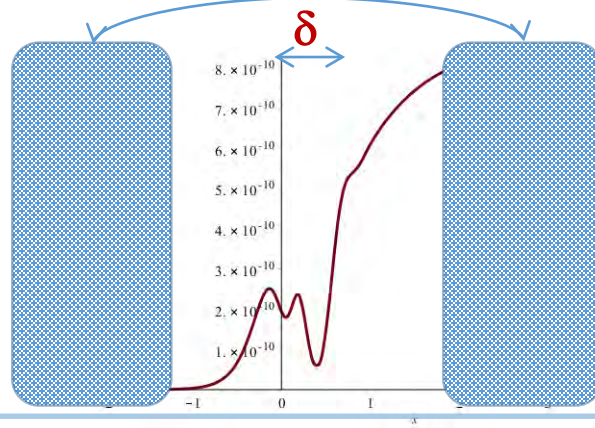
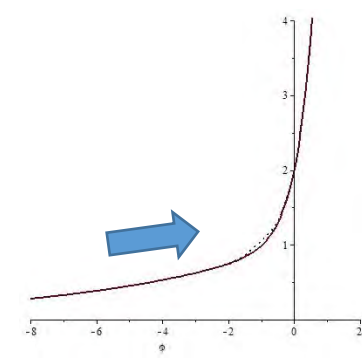
$\chi^2_{\text{min}} = 12.8$



# An Optimal Two-Exp Case

$$A_\ell(\varphi_0, \mathcal{M}, \delta) = \mathcal{M} \ell(\ell+1) \int_0^\infty \frac{dk}{k} \mathcal{P}_\zeta(k, \varphi_0) j_\ell^2(k 10^\delta)$$

$$V(\varphi) = V_0 \left( e^{2\varphi} + e^{2\gamma\varphi} + a_1 e^{-a_2(\varphi+a_3)^2} \right) \quad (\gamma, a_1, a_2, a_3) = (0.08, 0.066, 6, 0.9)$$

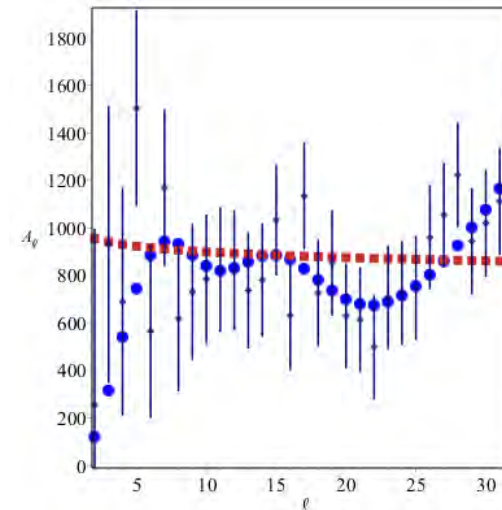
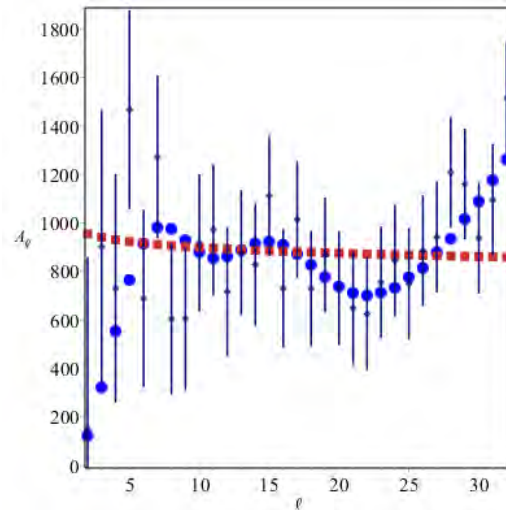


$\chi^2_{\text{WMAP9}}(\delta)$   
vs  
 $\chi^2_{\text{PLANCK}}(\delta)$   
(norm)

$\chi^2 / \chi^2_{\text{attr}}$

Comparison with WMAP9 ( $\chi^2 = 11.68$ )

Comparison with PLANCK '13 ( $\chi^2 = 14$ )



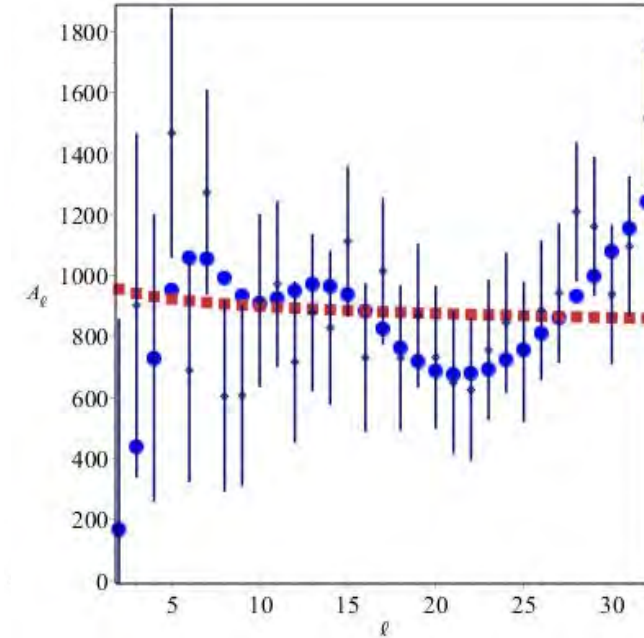
# An Optimal Starobinsky-like Case

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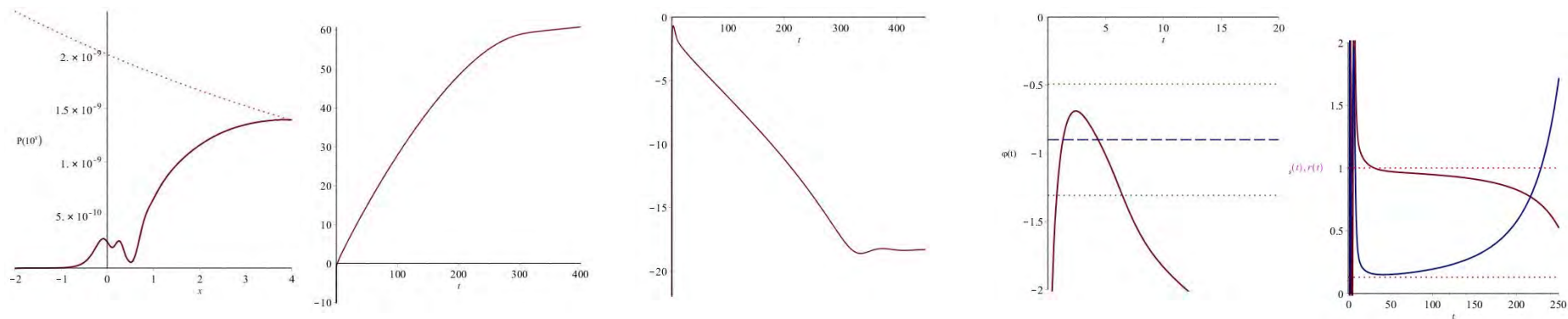
$$V(\varphi) = V_0 \left\{ e^{2\varphi} + \frac{1}{2} e^{2\gamma\varphi} + a_1 e^{-a_2(\varphi+a_3)^2} + \left[ 1 - e^{-\frac{2}{3}(\varphi+\Delta)} \right]^2 \right\} - v_0$$

$$(\gamma, a_1, a_2, a_3, \Delta) = (0.08, 0.09, 6, 0.9, 18)$$

- $N \sim 60$  e-folds
- $r < 0.16$
- $n_s \cong 0.96$

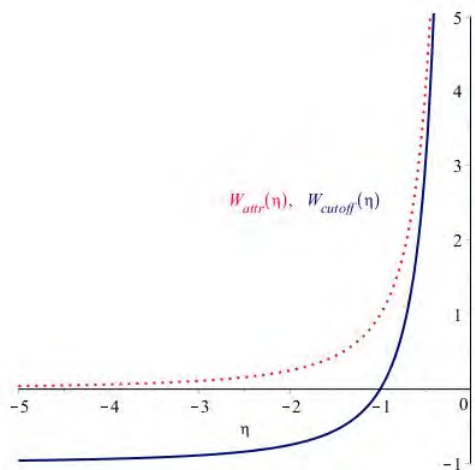


Comparison with WMAP9 ( $\chi^2 = 12.45$ )





# Analytic Power Spectra



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

$$W_s = \frac{\nu^2 - \frac{1}{4}}{\eta^2} - \Delta^2 \longrightarrow P(k) \sim \frac{k^3}{[k^2 + \Delta^2]^\nu}$$

- A  $W_s$  that crosses the real axis  $\rightarrow$  power cutoff
- One can also produce a “caricature” pre-inflationary peak

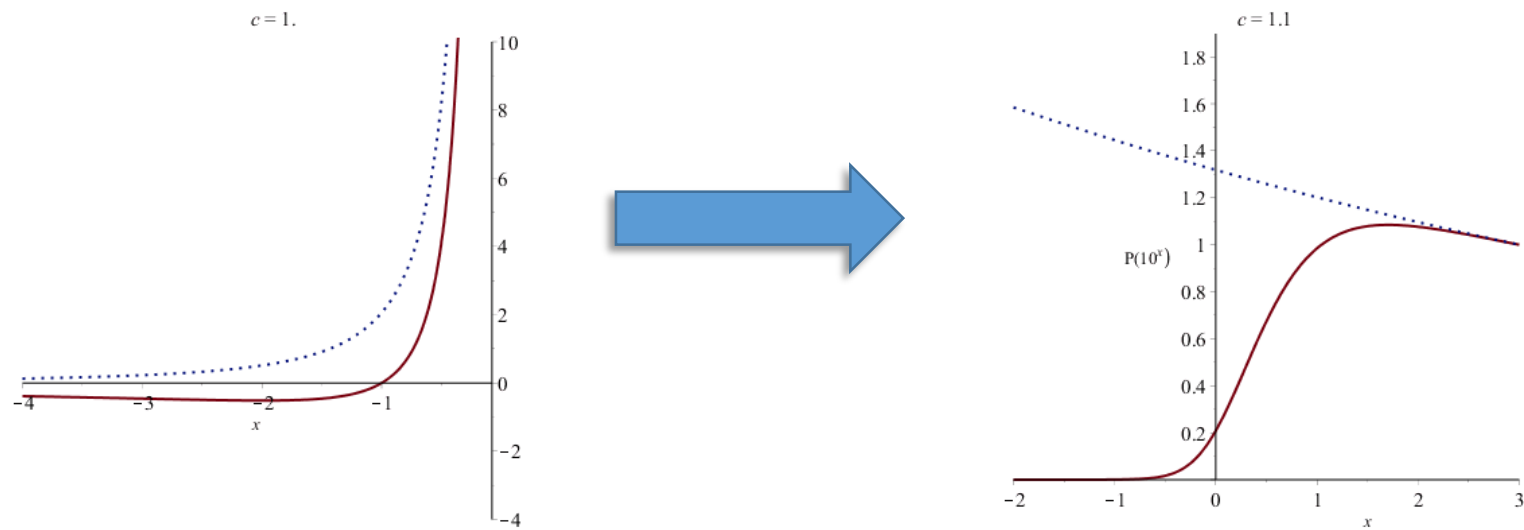
$$W_s = \frac{\nu^2 - \frac{1}{4}}{\eta^2} \left[ c \left( 1 + \frac{\eta}{\eta_0} \right) + (1 - c) \left( 1 + \frac{\eta}{\eta_0} \right)^2 \right]$$

(Duřas, Kitazawa, Pařil, AS, 2012)

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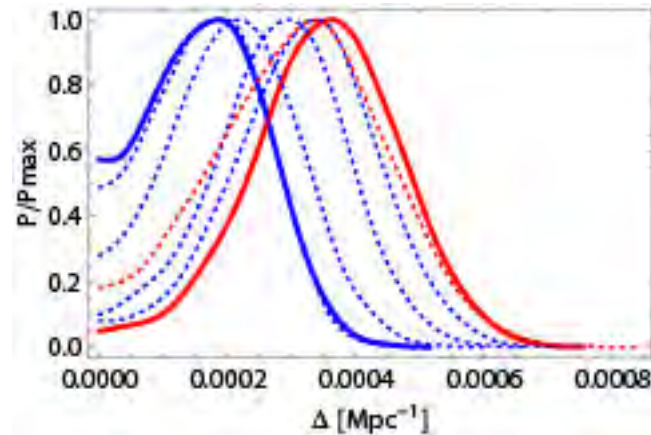
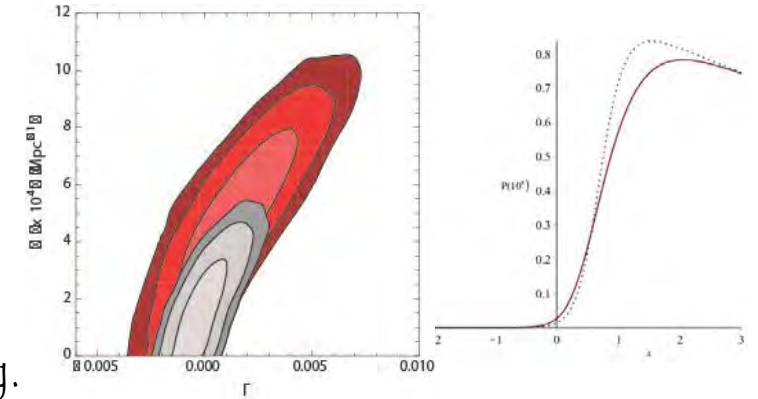
# Pre-Inflationary Relics in the CMB?

(Gruppuso, AS, to appear; Gruppuso, Kitazawa, Mandolesi, Natoli, A.S., work in progress)

- **Extend  $\Lambda$ CDM** to allow for low- $\ell$  suppression:

$$\mathcal{P}(k) = A (k/k_0)^{n_s-1} \rightarrow \frac{A (k/k_0)^3}{[(k/k_0)^2 + (\Delta/k_0)^2]^\nu}$$

- ❖ **NO** effects on standard  $\Lambda$ CDM parameters (6+16 nuisance)
- ❖ **A new scale  $\Delta$** . Preferred value? Depends on Galactic masking.



$$\Delta = (0.351 \pm 0.114) \times 10^{-3} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$$

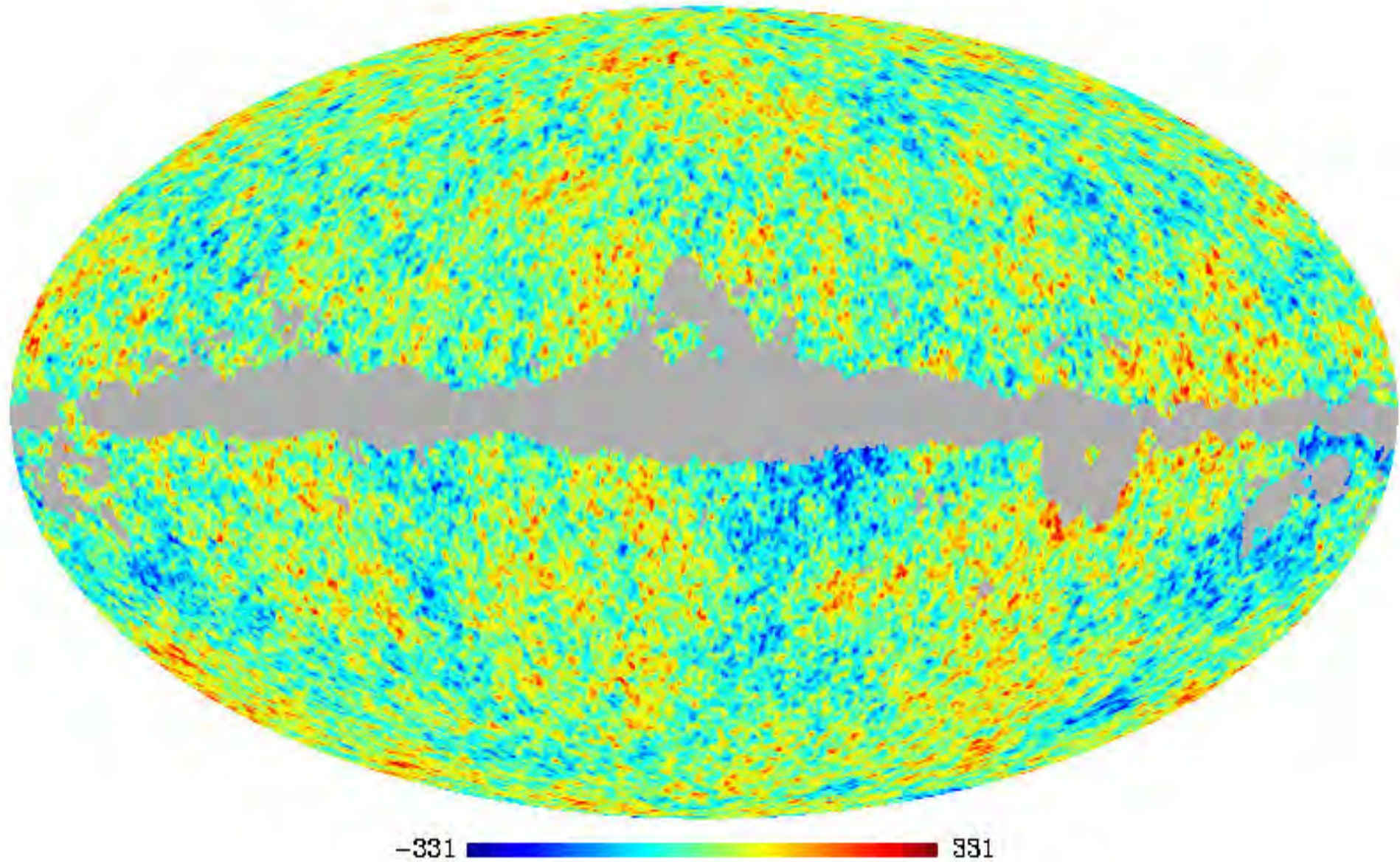
**RED** : + 30-degree extended mask  
> 99% confidence level

- What is the corresponding energy scale at onset of inflation?

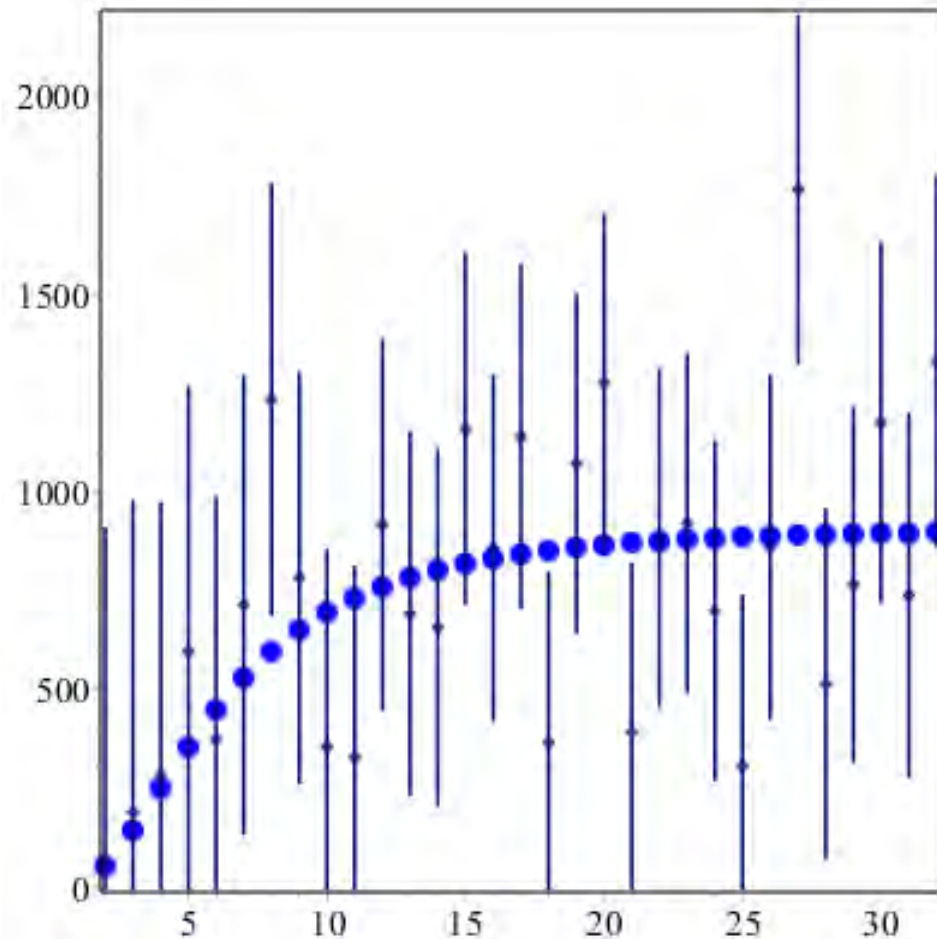
$$\Delta^{Infl} \sim 2.4 \times 10^{12} e^{N-60} \text{ GeV} \sim 10^{12} - 10^{14} \text{ GeV for } N \sim 60 - 65$$



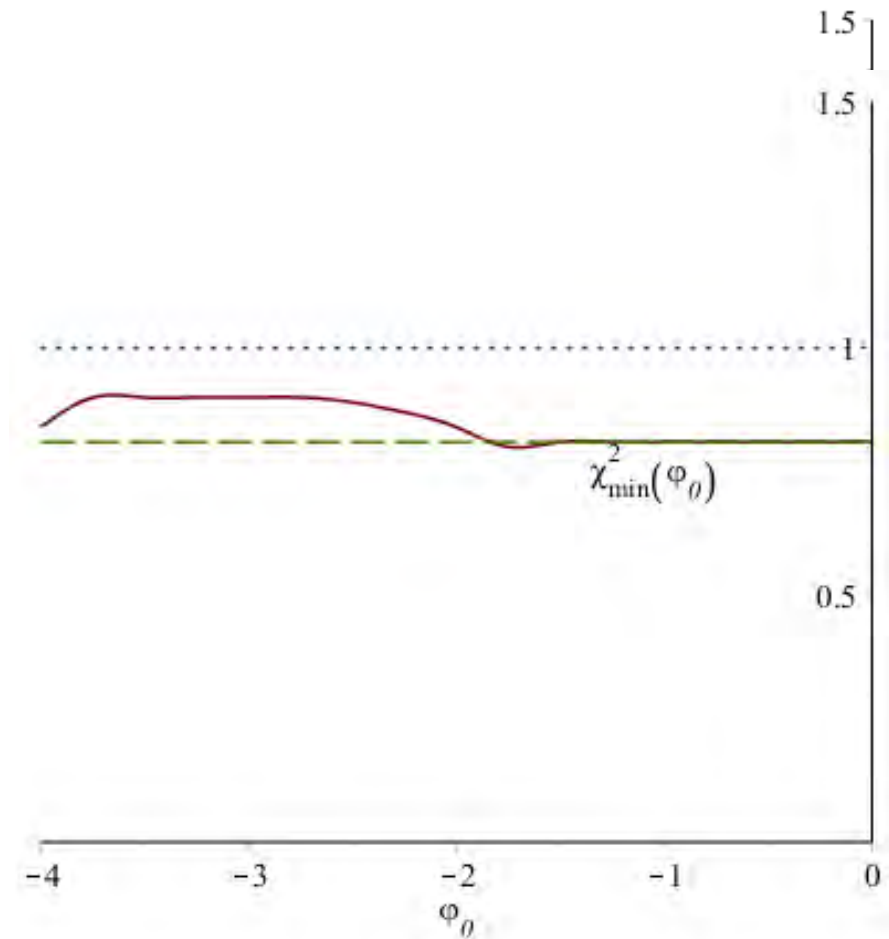
# Planck CMB



# Widening the Galactic Mask (dilution of features)



PLANCK O13 Extended2



PLANCK O13 Extended2



# Tensor vs Scalar Perturbations

**WKB:**

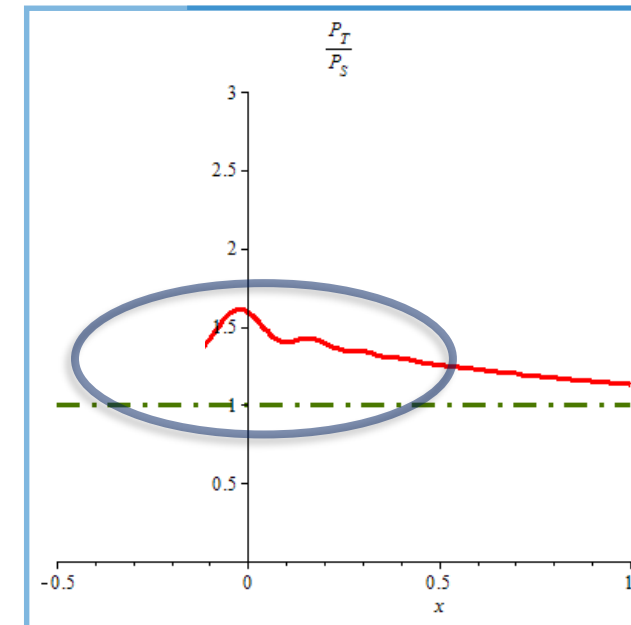
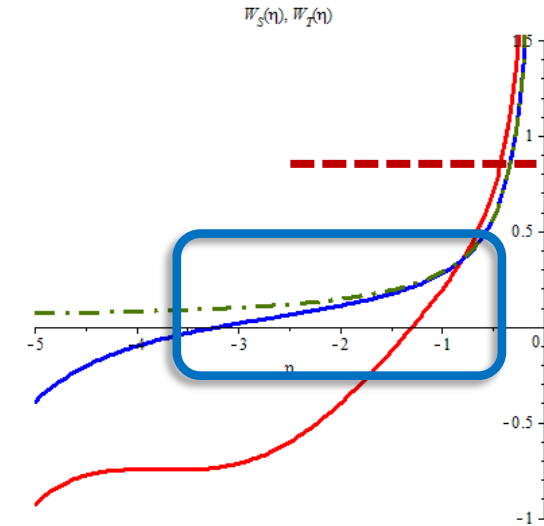
- area below  $W_{S,T}(\eta)$  determines the power spectra

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

- **Scalar Power Spectra:** BELOW attractor  $W$
- **Tensor Power Spectra:** ABOVE
- **INDEED:** moving slightly away from the attractor trajectory (here the LM attractor) enhances the ratio  $P_T / P_S$
- **IN THE INFLATIONARY PHASE:**

$$V = V_0 (e^{2\varphi} + e^{2\gamma\varphi} + \dots) \simeq V_0 e^{2\gamma\varphi} \quad \left(\gamma < \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

$$\frac{W_S}{W_T} \approx 1 - 18 \frac{(1 - \gamma^2)^4}{(2 - 3\gamma^2)} \left[ \frac{d\varphi}{d\tau} + \frac{\gamma}{\sqrt{1 - \gamma^2}} \right]^2$$



# Summary

- **BRANE SUSY BREAKING** ( $d \leq 10$ ) : “hard” (critical) exponential potentials
  - **Climbing:**  $\gamma=1$  for  $D \leq 9 \rightarrow$  Mechanism to START INFLATION via a BOUNCE
  - **Power Spectra:** (wide) IR depression & pre-inflationary peaks
    - Naturally weak string coupling
    - [Singular “string-frame metric” in  $D=10$ ] (unfortunately)
    - [[Early higher-dimensional evolution: estimates of cosmic variance?]]
  - **IR DEPRESSION OBSERVABLE?** If we “were seeing” in CMB the *onset of inflation*
  - **Pre-inflationary peak:** signature of (*incomplete*) *transition* to slow roll

## ✓ GALACTIC MASKING & QUADRUPOLE REDUCTION

(Gruppuso, Natoli, Paci, Finelli, Molinari, De Rosa, Mandolesi, 2013)

## ✓ More recent work on low- $l$ depression:

(Destri, De Vega, Sanchez, 2010)

(Cicoli, Downes, Dutta, 2013)

(Pedro, Westphal, 2013)

(Bousso, Harlow, Senatore, 2013)

(Liu, Guo, Piao, 2013)

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**Some evidence** ( $> 99$  CL with wider mask) for a cutoff scale

$$\Lambda^{-1} \sim 2.8 \times 10^3 \text{ Mpc}$$

*Thank You*