

Title: Explorations in Cosmology - Lecture 14

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Abstract:

Phenom. NG (Salopek, Bondi, Spergel, Komatsu)  
 "Local Ansatz" f<sub>NL</sub>

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

$\uparrow$  NG  
 (gravitational potential)

$\uparrow$   
 $\langle \Phi_{NG}^2 \rangle$

$\sim -\zeta$   
 -curvature

Note

① How non-Gaussian?

$$\langle \Phi_{NG}^2 \rangle = \langle \Phi_G^2 \rangle + f_{NL}^2 \langle \Phi_G^2 \rangle^2$$

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How Big Is A Molecule?

$$\Delta_S^2 \propto \frac{H^2}{M_p^2}$$

$$\Delta_T^2 \propto \frac{H^2}{M_p^2}$$

H, H

$$\epsilon = -\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2}$$

$$\Delta_S^2 = A_0 \left(\frac{k}{k_0}\right)^{n_s-1}$$

$$r = \frac{\Delta_S^2}{\Delta_T^2} = 16\epsilon$$

Go beyond two-point  
Non-Gaussianity

↳ "CMB is nearly Gaussian"  
↳ need to check perturbation theory is valid

$$S = S_0 + S_2 + S_3 + \dots$$

$$\int d^3x \sqrt{-g} V(\phi_0), M_p^2 \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \epsilon(\frac{\delta^2}{\delta^2})$$

$$\textcircled{1} \frac{L_p^2}{L_0^2} \ll 1 \Rightarrow \frac{M_p^2 (H^2 - \dot{H}^2)}{8\pi G M_p^2} \frac{1}{3M_p^2 H^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{H}{M_p} \ll 1$$



Nearly Gaussian  $\Rightarrow f_{NL}^2 \langle \phi_G^2 \rangle^2 \ll \langle \phi_G^2 \rangle$   
 $f_{NL} \langle \phi_G^2 \rangle \ll 1$

CMB:  $f_{NL} \ll \frac{1}{\Delta_\delta^2} \sim 10^{9/2}$

$$f_{NL} \ll 10^5$$

currently, CMB  $|f_{NL}| \leq 60$

$\Rightarrow$   
 $= 0$

u)

$\langle \phi_{\delta}^2(x) \rangle$   
 $\langle \phi_{NL} \rangle = 0$

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More formally:  $\frac{\phi_{NL}}{s_2} = \frac{\phi_{NL}}{s_2} + \underbrace{0 + 0 + \dots}_{\text{Small!}}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{\phi_{NL}}{s_2} \ll \frac{\phi_{NL}}{s_3}$

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For standard single-field we did  
all the work yesterday

$$S_2 \propto M_p^2 \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \epsilon_j \dot{g}^2$$

$$S_3 \propto M_p^2 \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} (\epsilon^2 \dot{g} \dot{g}^2 + \dots)$$

} very Gaussian! fNL  $\approx$  ?

$$\frac{\mathcal{L}_3}{\mathcal{L}_2} = \frac{M_p^2 \epsilon^2 H^2 \left(\frac{H}{M_p \epsilon}\right)^3}{M_p^2 \epsilon H^2 \left(\frac{H}{M_p \epsilon}\right)^2}$$

$$= \frac{\epsilon^{1/2} H}{M_p} \ll 1$$

$$\frac{H}{M_p \epsilon} \ll \frac{1}{\epsilon} \Rightarrow \Delta_J^2 \ll \frac{1}{\epsilon^2}$$



"Bispectrum"

$$\langle S_{\vec{k}_1} S_{\vec{k}_2} S_{\vec{k}_3} \rangle = (2\pi)^3 \delta^3(\vec{k}_1 + \vec{k}_2 + \vec{k}_3) * B(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2, \vec{k}_3)$$

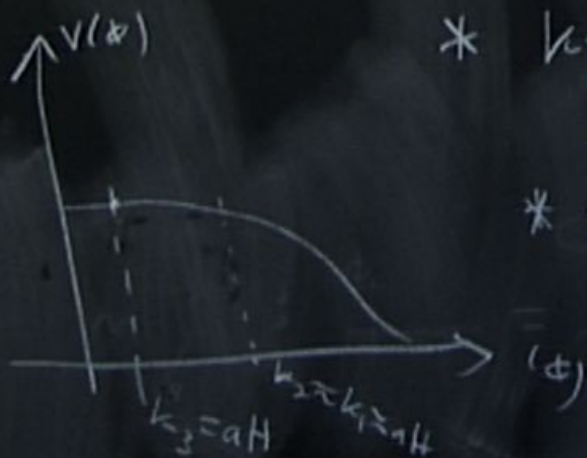
→ Local ansatz

$$B(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2, \vec{k}_3) = 2f_{NL} (P(k_1)P(k_2) + \text{sym})$$



, largest "squeezed limit"

In slow roll, how big is correlation  
 between  $\vec{k}_3$  (long wavelength) and  
 $\vec{k}_1 \approx \vec{k}_2$  (short wavelength)?



\*  $k_3$  fluctuation shifts "clock"

for  $\langle S_{k_i} S_{k_i} \rangle$

\* shift meaningless if potential  
 exactly flat

$$\Rightarrow "f_{NL}" \propto (n_s - 1) \approx 0.04$$



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$$0.04 \ll \theta(5) < \theta(60) \ll 10^{9/2}$$

↑  
flat potential  $\Rightarrow$   
weak interactions  
 $\rightarrow$  gravity weak

↑ constraint

① potential of Planck satellite (2013)  
 $\hookrightarrow$  observation rules out

Slow-roll

Standard single-field

$\downarrow$   
BD initial state  
canonical kinetic term

② level expected just from non-linear  
evolution of modes post inflation (gravity)

CMB constraints come from templates  
 for particular bispectra, with  
 "fNL" from  $B(k_1, k_2, k_3) / P^2(k)$

①



equilateral

Derivative interactions

$$\frac{g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi + (g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi)^2}{M^4} + \dots$$

②



squeezed, local, multiple fields

③



folded, different deriv. interactions

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$$F_{\text{eff}} \quad 0.04 \ll \theta(5) \ll \theta(60) \ll 10^{42}$$



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constraint, from CMB (several bispectra)

LSS (local model), halo bias comparable!

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↳ Lots of Data!  $P_{hh} = b^2(M, \mu, k) P_{mm}$