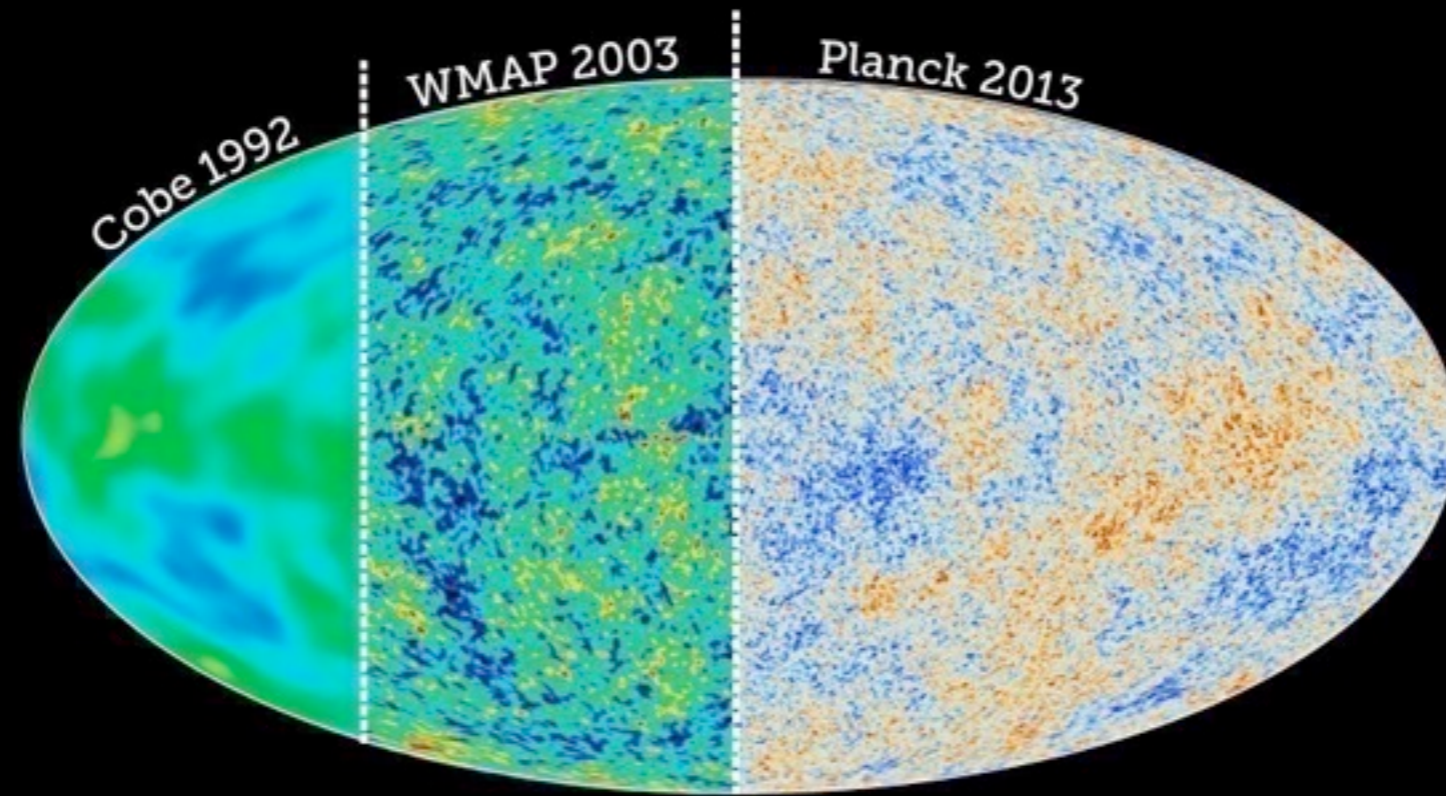


Standard Model Background *of* the Cosmological Collider

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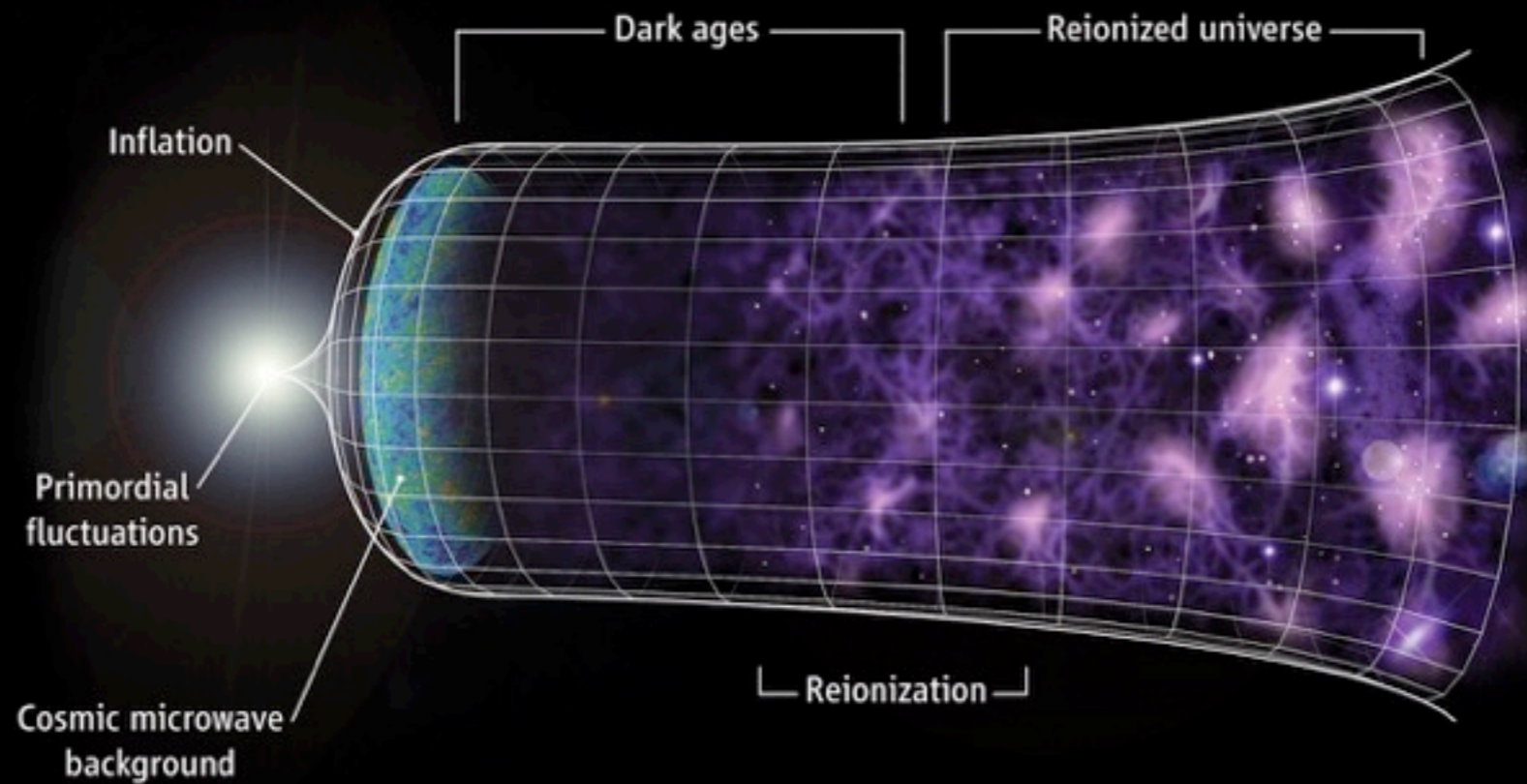
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Primordial perturbations



- Precious information from very early universe
- Nearly scale invariant scalar power spectrum
- Non-Gaussianities

Primordial perturbations: Inflation paradigm

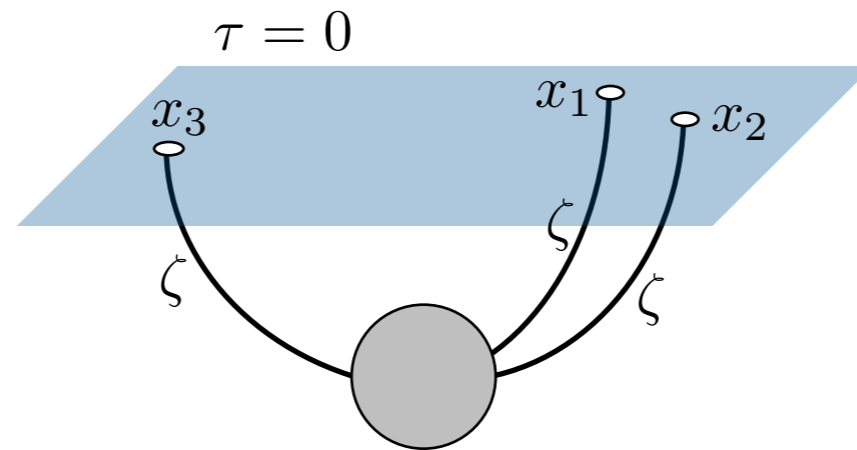


- Exponentially fast expansion \sim Poincaré patch of dS
- Energy scale up to $H \sim 10^{14} \text{ GeV}$
- Predictability

Primordial perturbations: Inflation paradigm

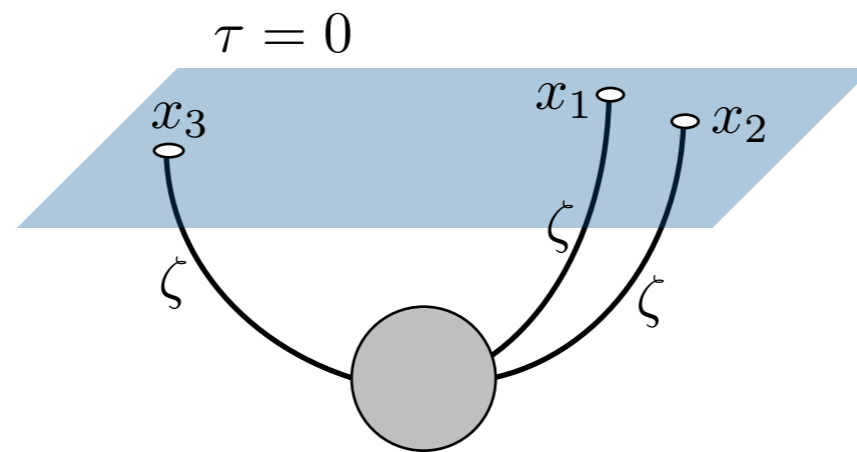
- Model-building approach:
Single-field / multi-field / quasi-single-field...
particle / string connections...
- Need information of new physics at extremely high energy
- Hope: identify / constrain models via precise measurement of primordial fluctuations
- Reality: very nontrivial constraints, yet still too large degeneracy, at least at linear level

Primordial perturbations: Non-Gaussianity



- Non-Gaussianities: information about interactions
- Small for single field slow-roll, $f_{NL} \ll 1$
 - Very weak self-interaction, dominated by gravity
- More exotic models predict large $f_{NL} \sim 1$ or even $\gg 1$
 - more strongly interacting

Primordial perturbations: Non-Gaussianity



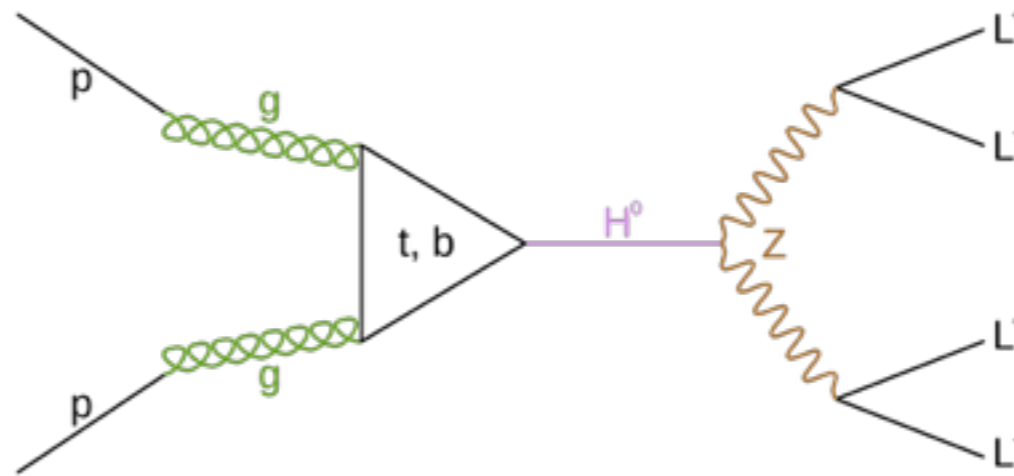
- Non-Gaussianities: information about interactions
- Observationally: (Planck 2015, 68% CL)

$$f_{NL}^{\text{local}} = 2.5 \pm 5.7 \quad f_{NL}^{\text{equil}} = -16 \pm 70 \quad f_{NL}^{\text{ortho}} = -34 \pm 33$$

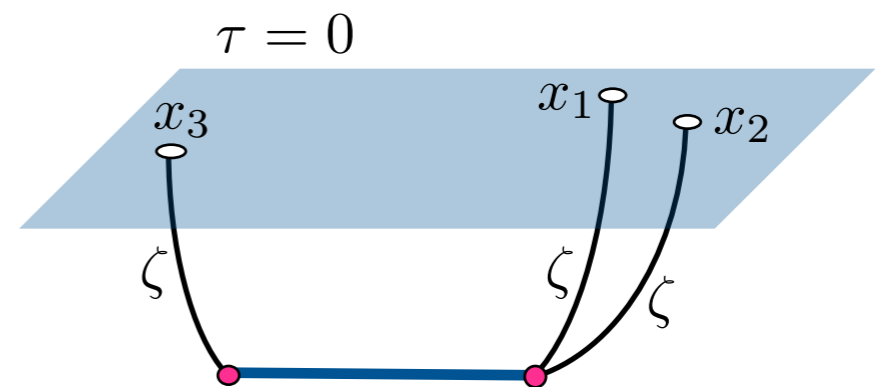
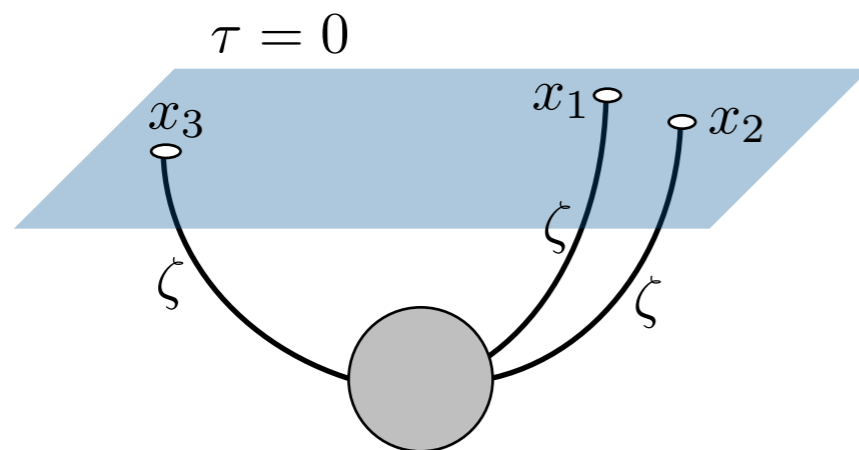
- Future probe:
LSS $f_{NL} \sim \mathcal{O}(0.1)$ 21cm tomography $f_{NL} \sim \mathcal{O}(0.01)$
Muñoz et al., 1506.04152; Meerburg et al., 1610.06559
- Motivations for going beyond $f_{NL} \sim 1$?

Primordial perturbations: Non-Gaussianity

- Analogy from particle physics:
past: e , μ , p , π , ... nowadays: Higgs, heavy quarks, BSM



- Lessons: making use of well-studied “external” particles to probe unknown “internal” particles and their physics

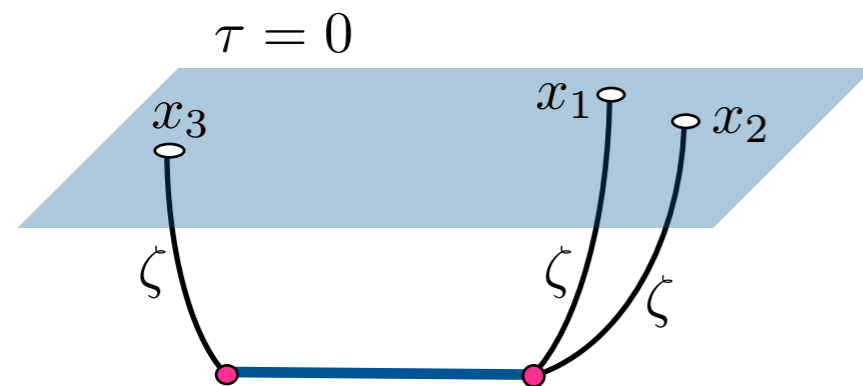


Cosmological collider

- Using primordial perturbations as a probe of very high energy collisions during inflation
- Much higher energy than any ground based collider we can ever dream of (up to 10^{14} GeV)
- Not-too-large non-G from inflaton
 - “external particles” are not strongly interacting
 - More like electrons or photons than protons or jets
- New particles interacting with inflaton (scalar perturbation) could leave signals in inflaton correlators

Cosmological collider

- Primordial perturbations (non-G) as a probe of new physics



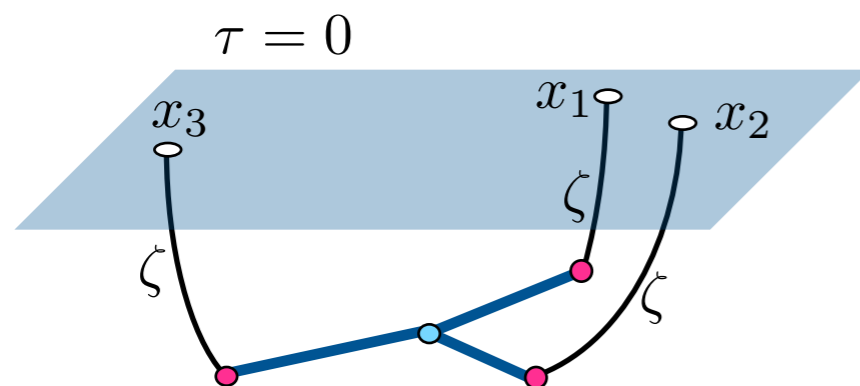
heavy (new) particles

Chen, Wang, 0911.3380;1205.0160

Pi, Sasaki, 1205.0161

Arkani-Hamed, Maldacena, 1503.08043

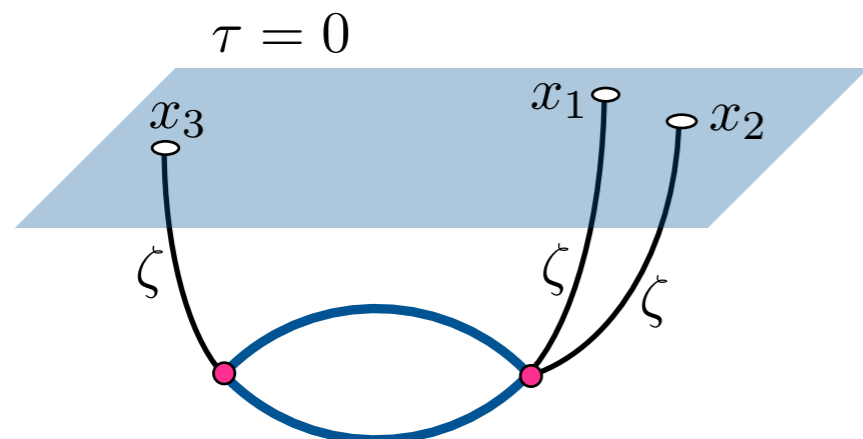
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new strong interactions
via enhanced non-G

Chen, Wang, 0911.3380

Chen, Wang, ZZX, 1703.10166



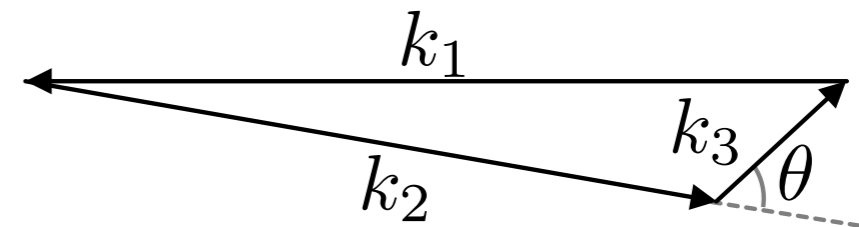
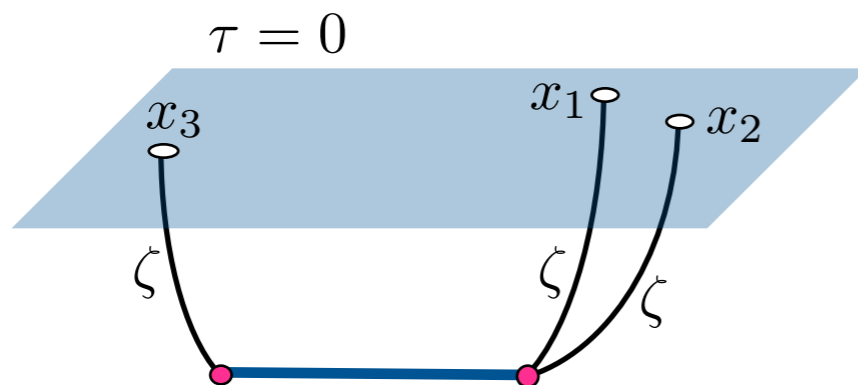
loop effects

Arkani-Hamed, Maldacena, 1503.08043

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Cosmological collider: Discovery channels

- Most significant channels may not be most sensitive channels [diphoton channel in Higgs discovery]
- In cosmological collider: squeezed limit of bispectrum

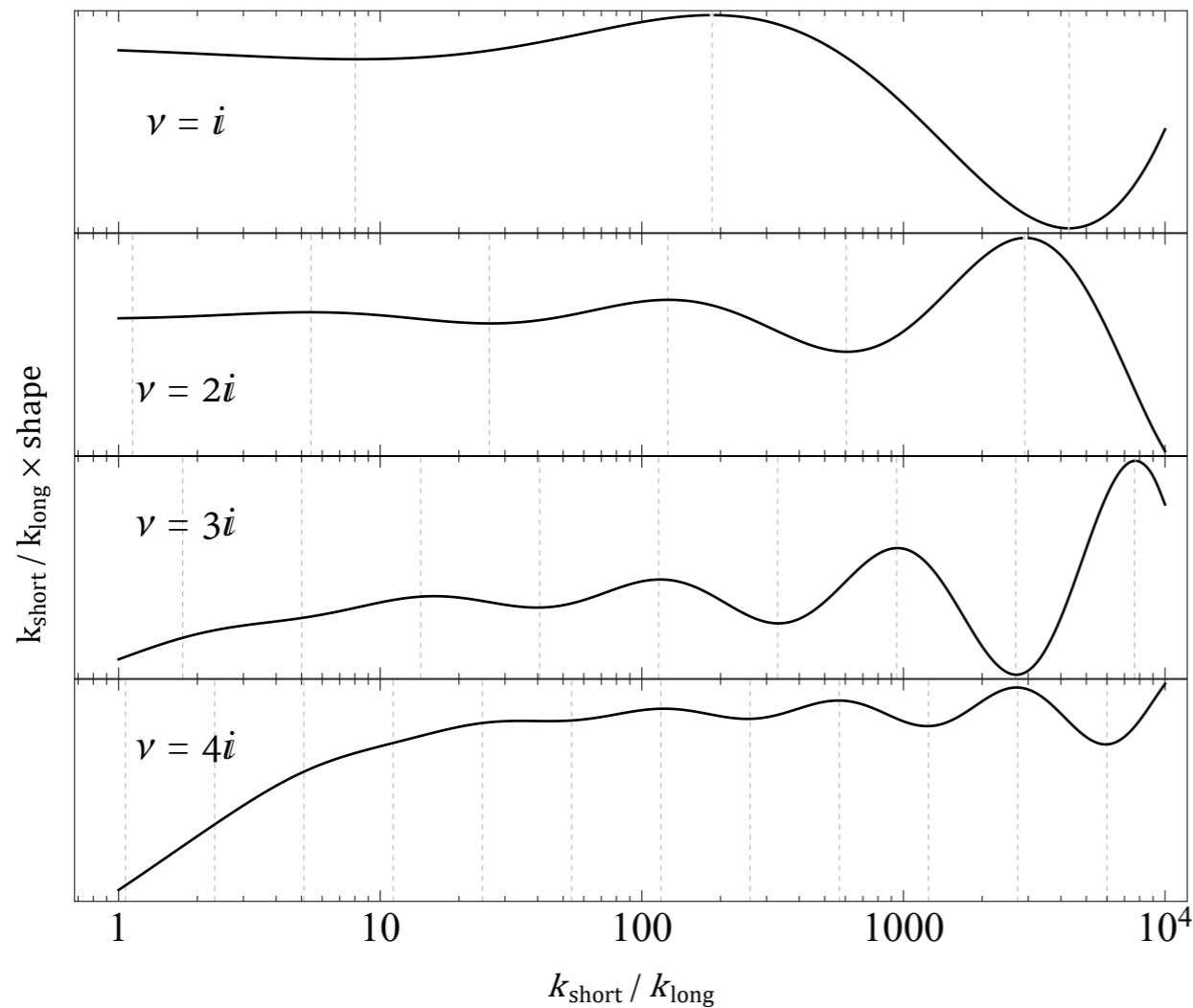


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$$\langle \zeta_{k_1} \zeta_{k_2} \zeta_{k_3} \rangle' \propto \epsilon e^{-\pi \text{Im} \nu} \left[C(\nu) \left(\frac{k_3}{k_1} \right)^{3/2-\nu} + \text{c.c.} \right] P_s(\cos \theta)$$

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Cosmological collider

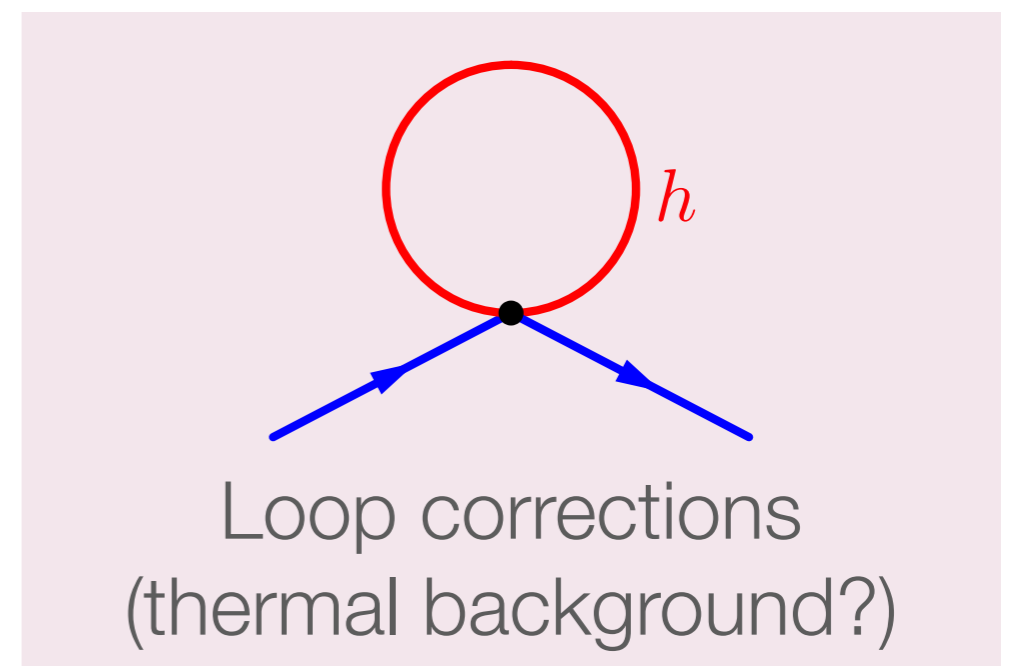
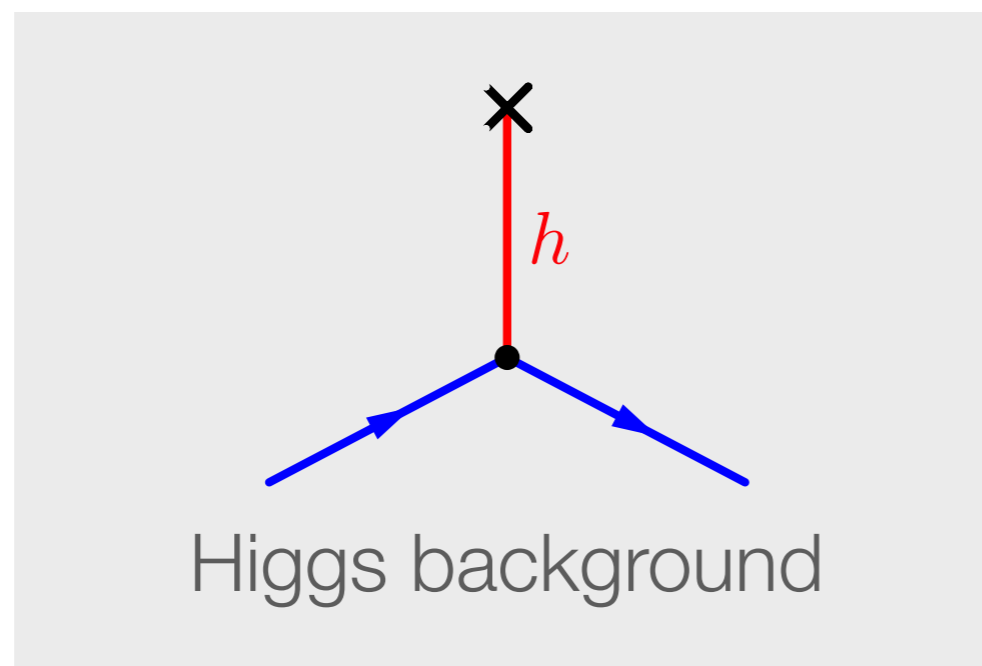
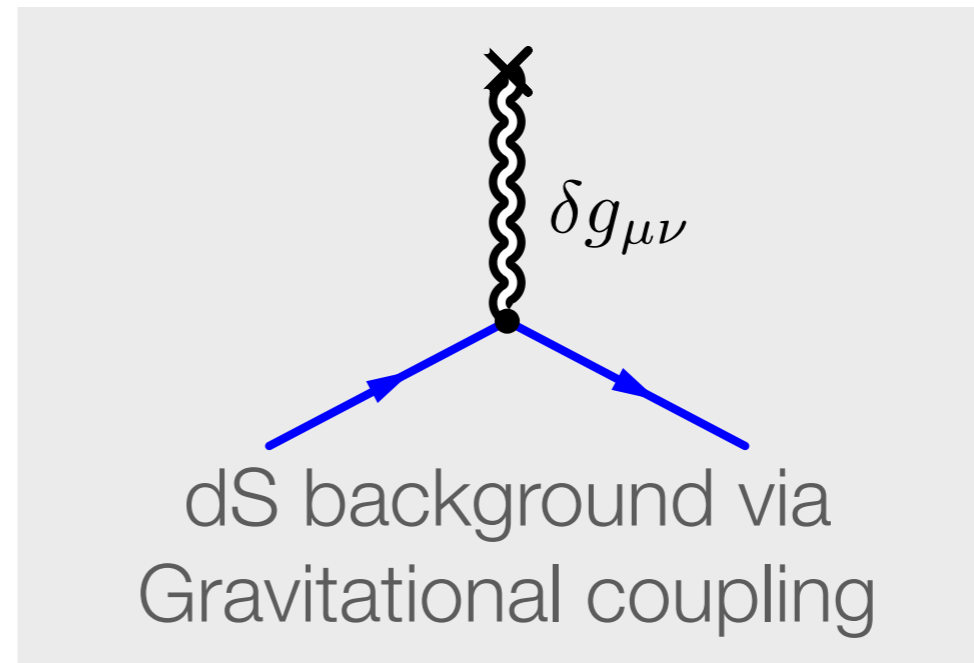
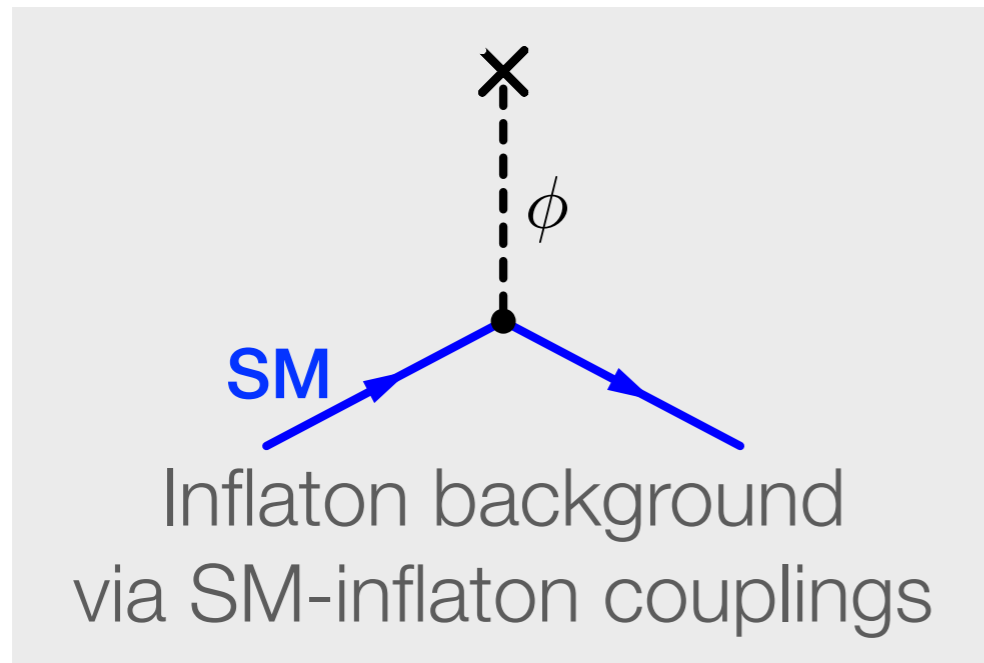
- Before exploring new physics, can we recover known physics?
- Known physics: SM
- The Hubble scale during inflation \gg electroweak scale
- Why SM relevant?

“Aren't they massless?!”

— A Surprising No.
(or not surprising?)

Standard Model mass spectrum

Four ways to go massive:



SM-Inflaton couplings

- They must exist (for successful reheating)
- At least gravitational, but can be much stronger
- Very model dependent
- Assuming shift symmetry, a simple parameterization:

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -f_H(X)\mathbf{H}^\dagger\mathbf{H} - f_{DH}(X)|D_\mu\mathbf{H}|^2 \\ - f_{\Psi_i}(X)\bar{\Psi}_i\not{D}\Psi_i - \frac{1}{4}f_{A_a}(X)F_{a\mu\nu}F_a^{\mu\nu}, \quad X \equiv (\partial_\mu\phi)^2$$

- Generalizations: higher spin coupling / no shift symmetry

SM-Inflaton couplings

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- Corrections from SM-inflaton couplings:

- Mass correction: $\Delta M_h^2 = \frac{f_H(X_0)}{1 + f_{DH}(X_0)} \quad X_0 \equiv -\dot{\phi}_0^2$

- Correction to couplings, e.g.,

$$\lambda = \frac{\lambda_{\text{SM}}}{[1 + f_{DH}(X_0)]^2} \quad g^2 = \frac{g_{\text{SM}}^2}{1 + f_W(X_0, \phi_0)}$$

- “Calibration” limit (Part 1): $f_{DH}(X_0), f_{\Psi_i}(X_0), f_{A_a}(X_0) \ll 1$

Gravitational couplings

- Expected to be highly suppressed in general (by Planck mass)
- The only exception: dimensionless Higgs non-minimal coupling

$$S \supset - \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \xi R \mathbf{H}^\dagger \mathbf{H}$$

$$\Delta M_h^2 = \frac{12\xi H^2 + f_H(X_0)}{1 + f_{DH}(X_0)}$$

- Higgs mass: free parameter in inflation (even in “calibration” limit)

Higgs background

- Very low scale inflation: $H \ll v = 246\text{GeV}$
 - Uninteresting from perspective of cosmological collider
- Higgs inflation: Higgs boson = inflaton

$$\mathcal{L} = \left(\frac{1}{2} M^2 + \xi \mathbf{H}^\dagger \mathbf{H} \right) R - |D_\mu \mathbf{H}|^2 - \lambda (\mathbf{H}^\dagger \mathbf{H})^2$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow \frac{M^2 + 2\xi \mathbf{H}^\dagger \mathbf{H}}{M_{\text{P}}^2} g_{\mu\nu}, \quad V(h) = \frac{\lambda h^4}{4(1 + \xi h^2 / M_{\text{P}}^2)^2}$$

- Huge and time-dependent VEV: $\langle h \rangle \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{16}\text{GeV})$

Higgs background: Higgs inflation

- SM mass spectrum gets overall uplift

$$v = 246\text{GeV} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \langle h \rangle \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{16}\text{GeV})$$

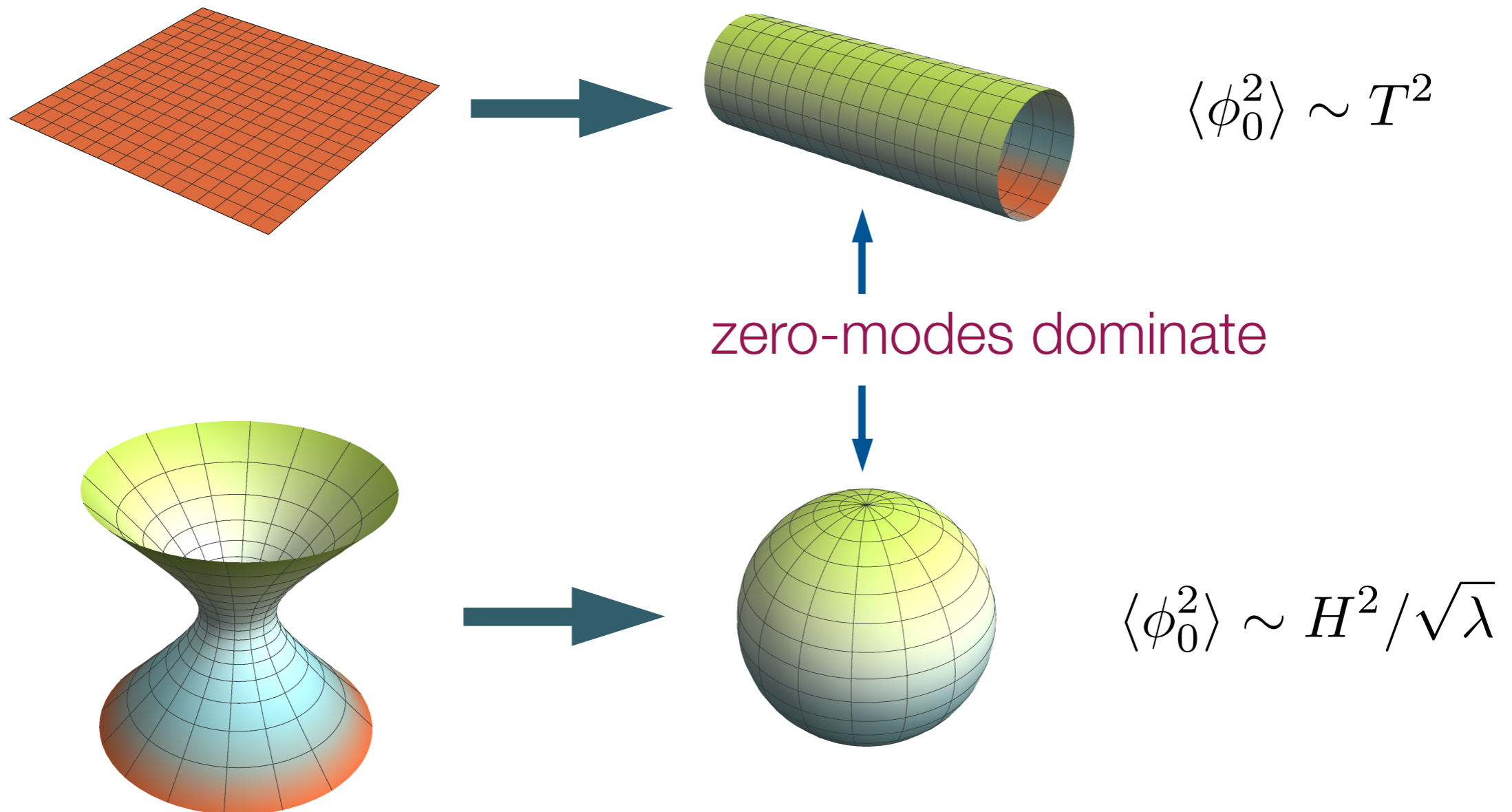
- Original model in tension with collider data (Higgs instability)
- A class of models
- More general analysis

Loop corrections

- Loop corrections can generate nonzero mass contribution even all fields are massless (or very light) at tree level
- Thermal analogy
Thermal mass in (flat-space) thermal QFT: $M_{\text{th}}^2 \propto \lambda T^2$
- In dS: $T = H/2\pi$. Qualitatively $\Delta M^2 \sim H^2$
- Analogy only: flat-space thermal QFT inapplicable
 1. Background curvature \sim temperature, **non-negligible**
 2. BD vacuum preserves dS isometries. (no Doppler shift)

Loop corrections

- Thermal analogy: Euclidean picture



Loop corrections

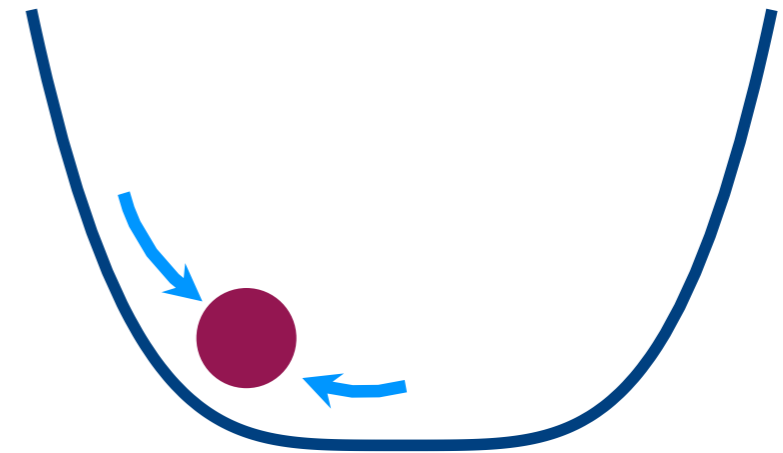
- Thermal analogy: real-time picture

- Massless $\lambda\phi^4$ in dS

- Classical rolling-down: $\phi^2 \sim H/(\lambda t)$

- Quantum fluctuation: $\langle\phi^2\rangle \sim H^3 t$

IR growth / late-time divergence



- Equilibrium reached at $t \sim (\sqrt{\lambda}H)^{-1} \longrightarrow \langle\phi^2\rangle \sim H^2/\sqrt{\lambda}$

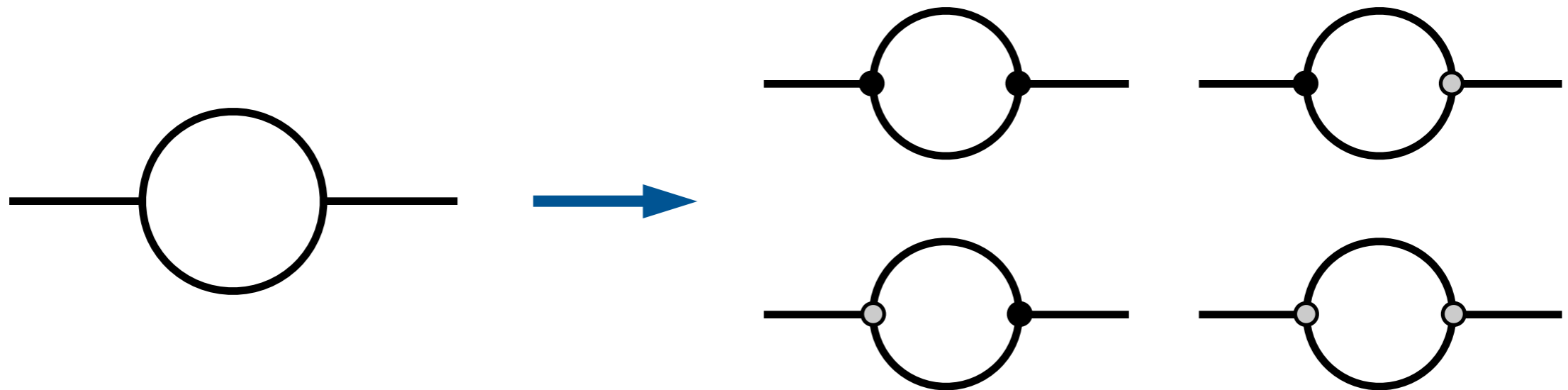
$$\begin{aligned} \longrightarrow m^2 &\sim \lambda\langle\phi^2\rangle \\ &\sim \sqrt{\lambda}H^2 \end{aligned}$$

Loop corrections

- Two ways of loop computation:

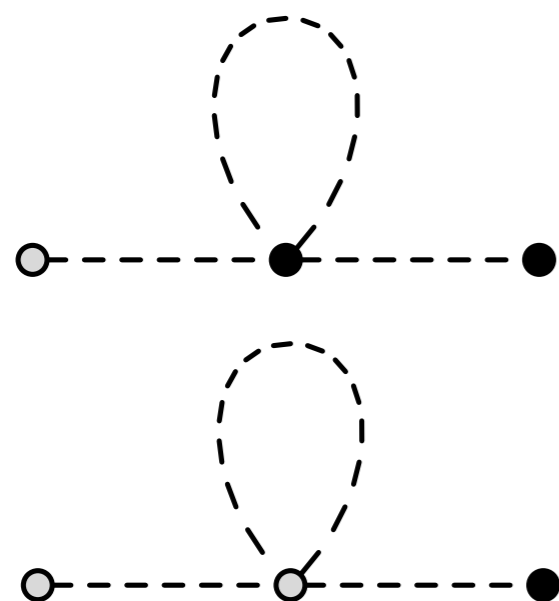
1. Schwinger-Keldysh formalism 2. Wick rotation

- Schwinger-Keldysh: $\langle \text{in} | \cdots | \text{in} \rangle = \sum_{\text{out}} \langle \text{in} | \cdots | \text{out} \rangle \langle \text{out} | \cdots | \text{in} \rangle$



Loop corrections: SK amplitude

- Example: $\lambda\phi^4$; 2-point SK amplitude. Tree-level: $\frac{H^2}{2k^3}$
- 1-loop correction:



$$= \frac{\lambda H^2}{6(2\pi)^2 k^3} \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon} + \frac{3H^2}{2m^2} + \log \frac{\mu}{H} \right) \log(-2k\tau)$$

dimensional regularization

leading term in small mass limit

leading term in late-time limit

subtracted by local counterterm

IR divergent when $m \rightarrow 0$

resummation via dynamical RG

Loop corrections: SK amplitude

- Example: $\lambda\phi^4$; 2-point SK amplitude. Tree-level: $\frac{H^2}{2k^3}$
- Dynamical renormalization group resummation: Burgess et al., 0912.1608
An analogy with RG improvement in ordinary loop calculation

$$\frac{H^2}{2k^3} + \frac{H^2}{2k^3} \cdot \frac{\lambda H^2}{2(2\pi)^2 m^2} \log(-k\tau) + \dots \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{H^2}{2k^3} (-k\tau)^{\lambda H^2 / 2(2\pi m)^2}$$

- A light massive mode at late-time limit,

$$\left| (-\tau)^{3/2} H_\nu^{(1)}(-k\tau) \right|^2 \quad \longrightarrow \quad (-k\tau)^{3-2\nu} \simeq (-k\tau)^{2m^2/3H^2}$$

- Compare the time dependence: $m^2 = \frac{\sqrt{3\lambda}H^2}{4\pi}$

Loop corrections: SK amplitude

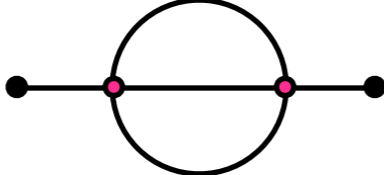
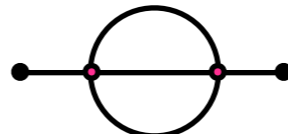
- Which loop diagrams does DRG resum?
- A **direct proof** of DRG ansatz in simple cases:

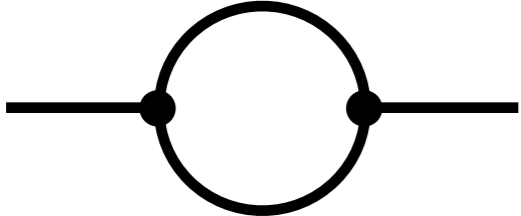
$$\begin{aligned}
 & \exp \left(\sum_{\text{SK}} \text{diagram with 1 loop} / \text{diagram with 0 loops} \right) \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{\text{SK}} \underbrace{\text{diagram with } n \text{ loops}}_{n \text{ loops}} / \text{diagram with 0 loops} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

- The key identity for the proof:

$$\sum_{\text{SK}} \underbrace{\text{diagram with } n \text{ loops}}_{n \text{ loops}} = \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{\partial^n}{\partial(m^2)^n} \text{diagram with 0 loops} \right)_{m=0} \times \left(\text{diagram with 1 loop} \right)^n$$

Loop corrections: SK amplitude

- Diagrams like  are not included in DRG
- A **partial resummation**, giving correct semi-quantitative result
 - But exact in large N limit:  is suppressed
- Further problems with real-time calculation:
space-time asymmetric (gauge condition) / regularization



$$\sim \int_{-\infty}^{\tau} d\tau_1 f_1(\tau_1) \int_{-\infty}^{\tau_1} d\tau_2 f_2(\tau_2) e^{\pm ik(\tau_1 - \tau_2)} \times \int \frac{d^3 q}{(2\pi)^3} H_{\nu}^{(1)}(-q\tau_1) H_{\nu}^{(2)}(-q\tau_2) H_{\nu}^{(2)}(-p\tau_1) H_{\nu}^{(1)}(-p\tau_2)$$

- Alternative method: **Wick rotation**

Loop corrections: Wick rotation

- Highly nontrivial in curved space!
 - coordinate dependent / not always sensible

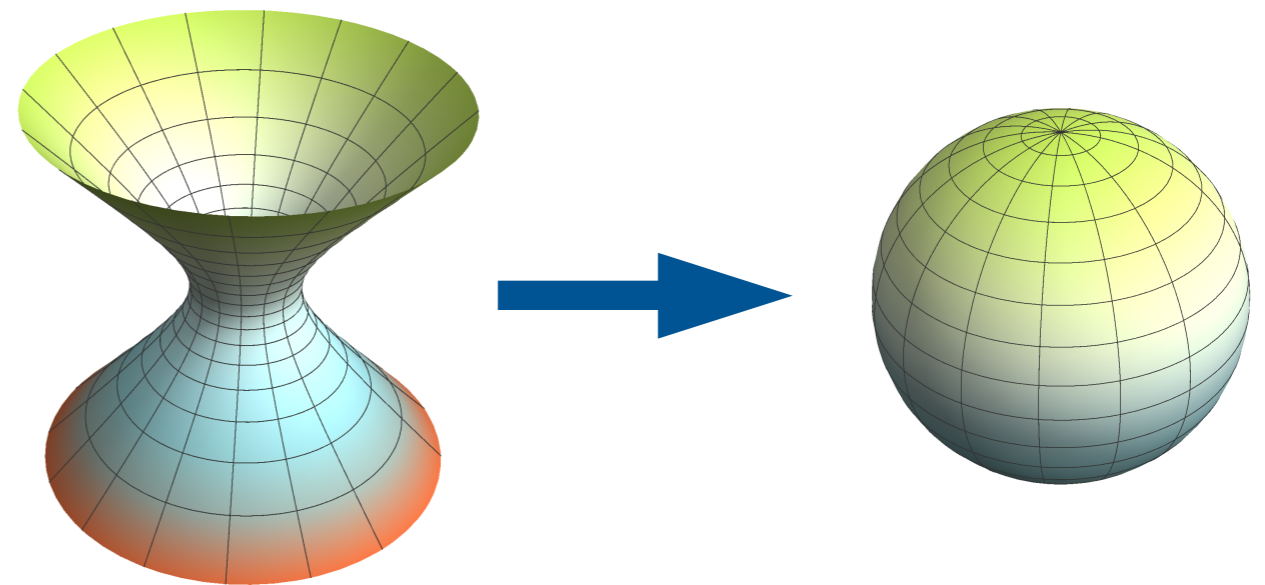
$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + e^{2Ht} d\mathbf{x}^2 \quad \longrightarrow \quad ds^2 = dt_E^2 + e^{2iHt_E} d\mathbf{x}^2$$

- An appropriate Wick rotation of inflation background:
Wick rotation in **embedding space** ~ global coordinates

$$-T^2 + \sum_{i=1}^4 X_i^2 = H^{-2}$$

$\downarrow T \Rightarrow iT_E$

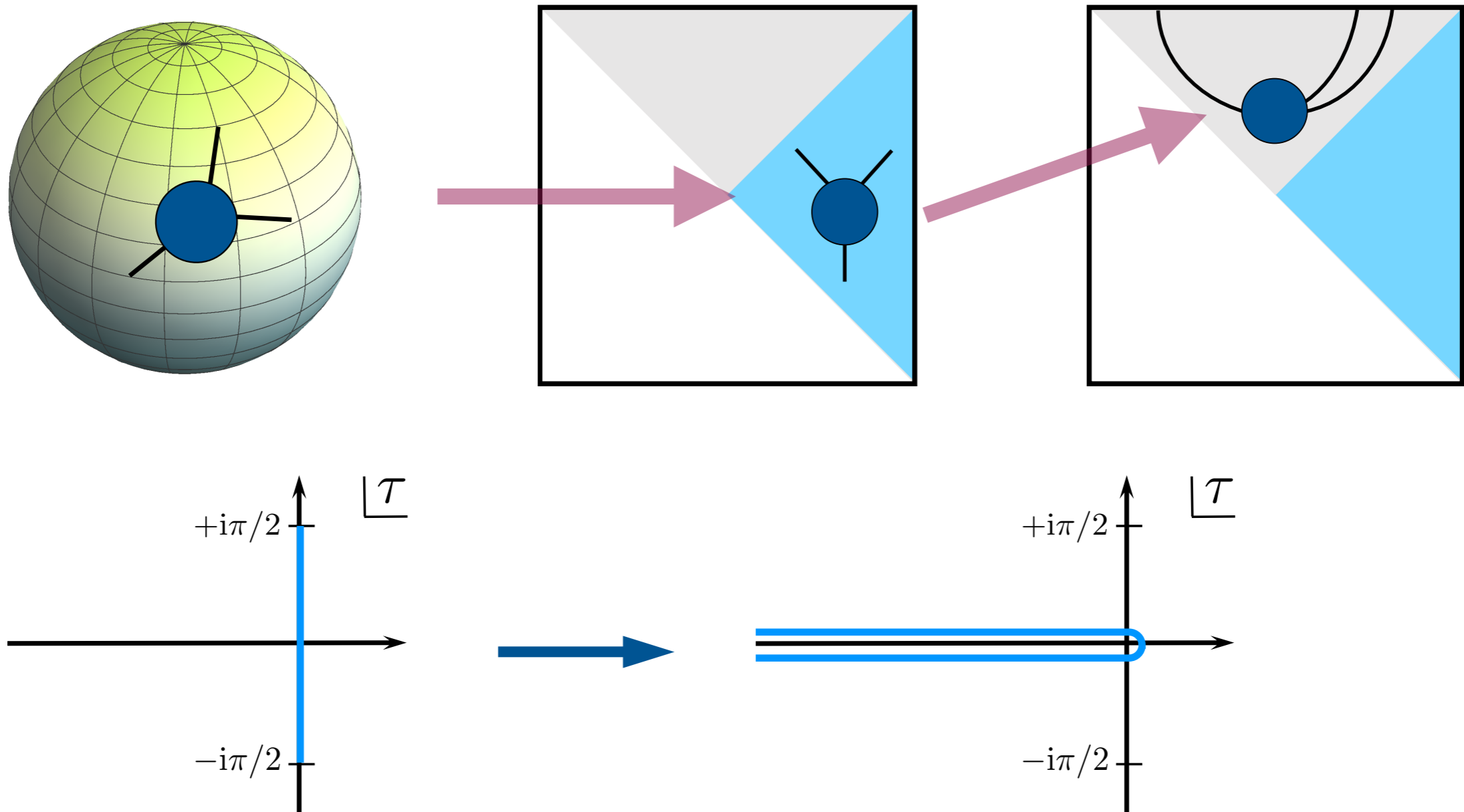
$$+T_E^2 + \sum_{i=1}^4 X_i^2 = H^{-2}$$



Loop corrections: Wick rotation

Higuchi, Marolf, Morrison, 1012.3415

- The equivalence between Euclidean dS amplitude & SK amplitude in Poincaré patch



Loop corrections: Wick rotation

- Fun with spherical harmonics

$$\square Y_{\vec{L}}(x) = -H^2 L(L + d) Y_{\vec{L}}(x)$$

$$S^2 : j(j + 1)$$

“total angular momentum”

- A scalar of mass m : $(\square - m^2)\phi = 0$
- Propagators in terms of harmonics

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{---} m \text{---} \\ x \qquad \qquad x' \end{array} = \sum_{\vec{L}} \frac{H^{d+1}}{\lambda_L} Y_{\vec{L}}(x) Y_{\vec{L}}^*(x')$$
$$\lambda_L = L(L + d) + (m/H)^2$$

- The zero mode ($L = 0$) is divergent as $m \rightarrow 0$

Loop corrections: Wick rotation

- Example 0: two scalars: ϕ and χ , with cubic int. $\lambda\phi\chi^2$
- 1-loop mass correction to ϕ from χ :

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{x,x'} G(x,x')^2 &= \sum_{L,M} \int_{x,x'} \frac{1}{\lambda_L \lambda_M} Y_{\vec{L}}(x) Y_{\vec{L}}^*(x') Y_{\vec{M}}(x') Y_{\vec{M}}^*(x) \\ &= \sum_L \int_x \frac{1}{\lambda_L^2} Y_{\vec{L}}(x) Y_{\vec{L}}^*(x) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial m^2} \int_x G(x,x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Diagram 1} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial m^2} \left(\text{Diagram 2} \right).$$

Loop corrections: Wick rotation

- Example 0: two scalars: ϕ and χ , with cubic int. $\lambda\phi\chi^2$

$$-\frac{\partial}{\partial m^2} \int_x G(x, x)$$

- UV divergence readily removed by dimensional regularization

- In small mass M_χ limit: $\delta M_\phi^2 = \frac{3\lambda^2 H^4}{8\pi^2 M_\chi^4} + \mathcal{O}(M_\chi^0)$

zero mode!

- Only zero modes are important in small mass limit
Can be calculated by setting loop momentum to zero

Loop corrections: Wick rotation

- **Example 1:** Higgs boson with tree-level mass M_{H0}
- Loop correction dominates when $M_{H0} \ll H$ due to zero modes
 — can be calculated non-perturbatively [Rajaraman, 1008.1271](#)

$$\frac{H^D}{M_H^2} |Y_{\vec{0}}|^2 = \langle h_0^2 \rangle = \frac{\int d^N h_0 h_0^2 e^{-V_D(\frac{1}{2} M_{H0}^2 h_0^2 + \frac{1}{4} \lambda h_0^4)}}{\int d^N h_0 e^{-V_D(\frac{1}{2} M_{H0}^2 h_0^2 + \frac{1}{4} \lambda h_0^4)}}$$

↑
loop-corrected mass

↑ #fields, N=4 for SM Higgs

Volume of S^D

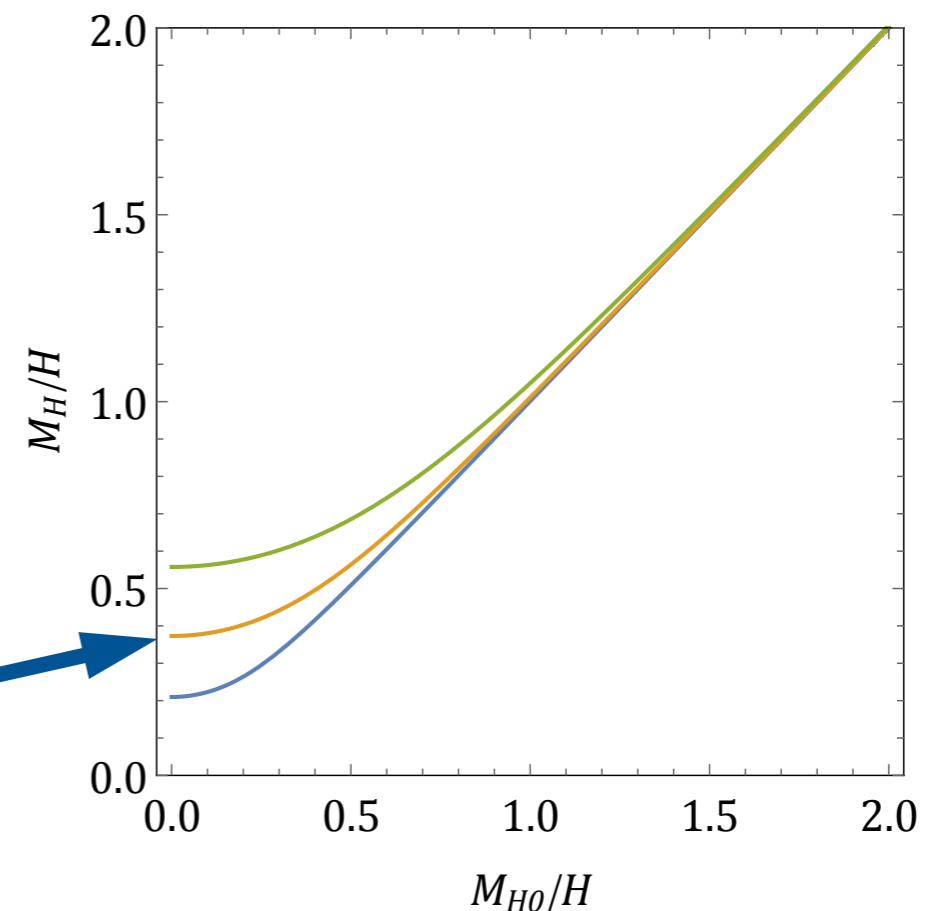
- Finite correction when $M_{H0} = 0$:

$$M_H^2 = \sqrt{\frac{6\lambda}{\pi^3}} H^2$$

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- Generally, when $M_{H0} \neq 0$:
- $M_H \gtrsim \mathcal{O}(H)$
- Lighter Higgs needs fine tuning

$$M_H^2 = \sqrt{\frac{6\lambda}{\pi^3}} H^2$$

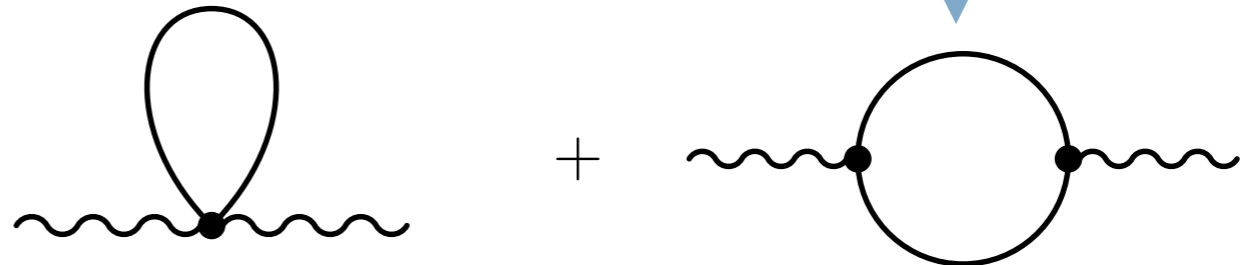


Loop corrections: Wick rotation

- Example 2: Gauge boson

$$S = - \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + |D_\mu \Phi|^2 + m^2 \Phi^\dagger \Phi \right]$$

$$\supset - \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{1}{2} e^2 A^2 (\pi^2 + \phi^2) + e A^\mu (\phi \partial_\mu \pi - \pi \partial_\mu \phi) \right]$$



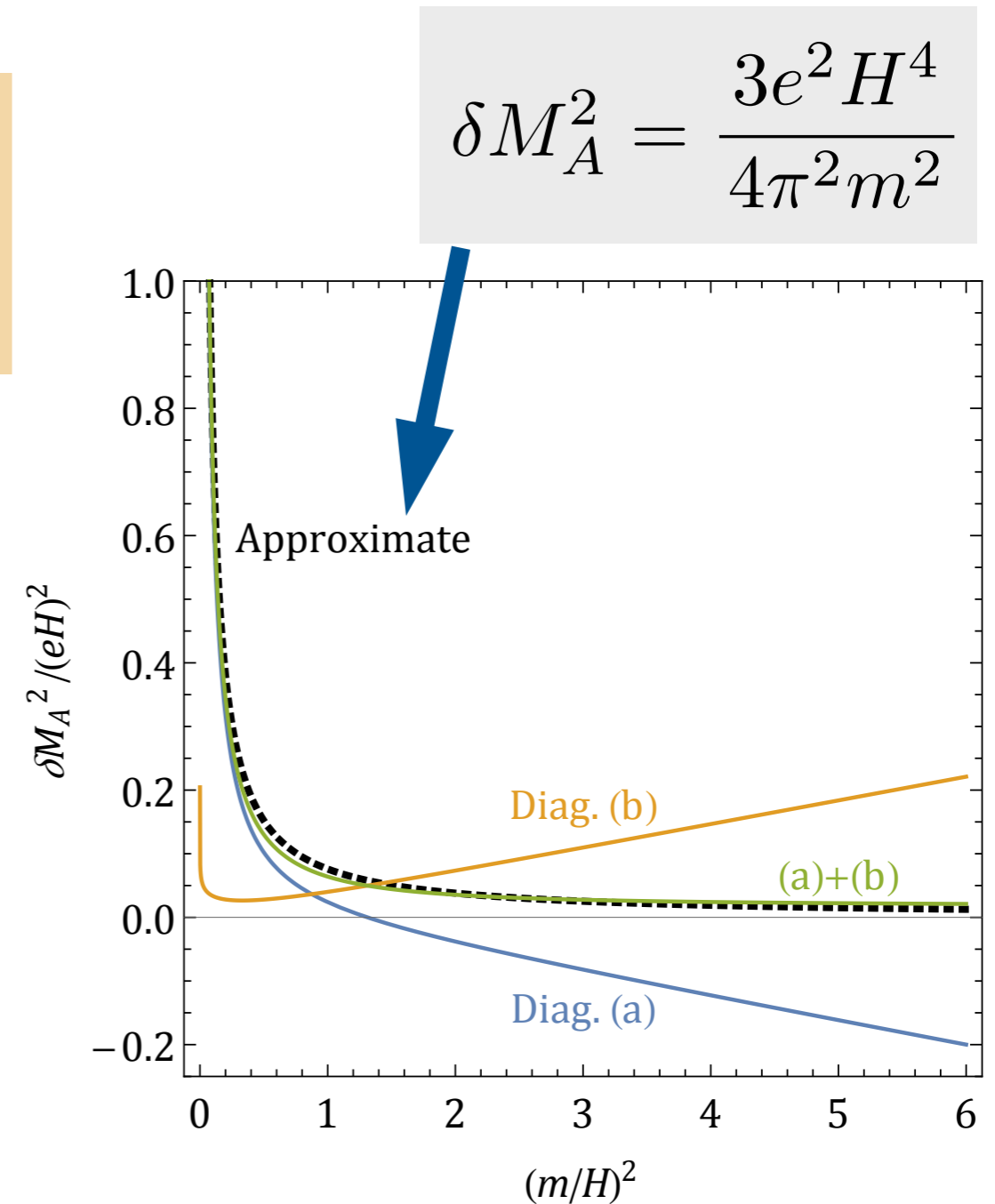
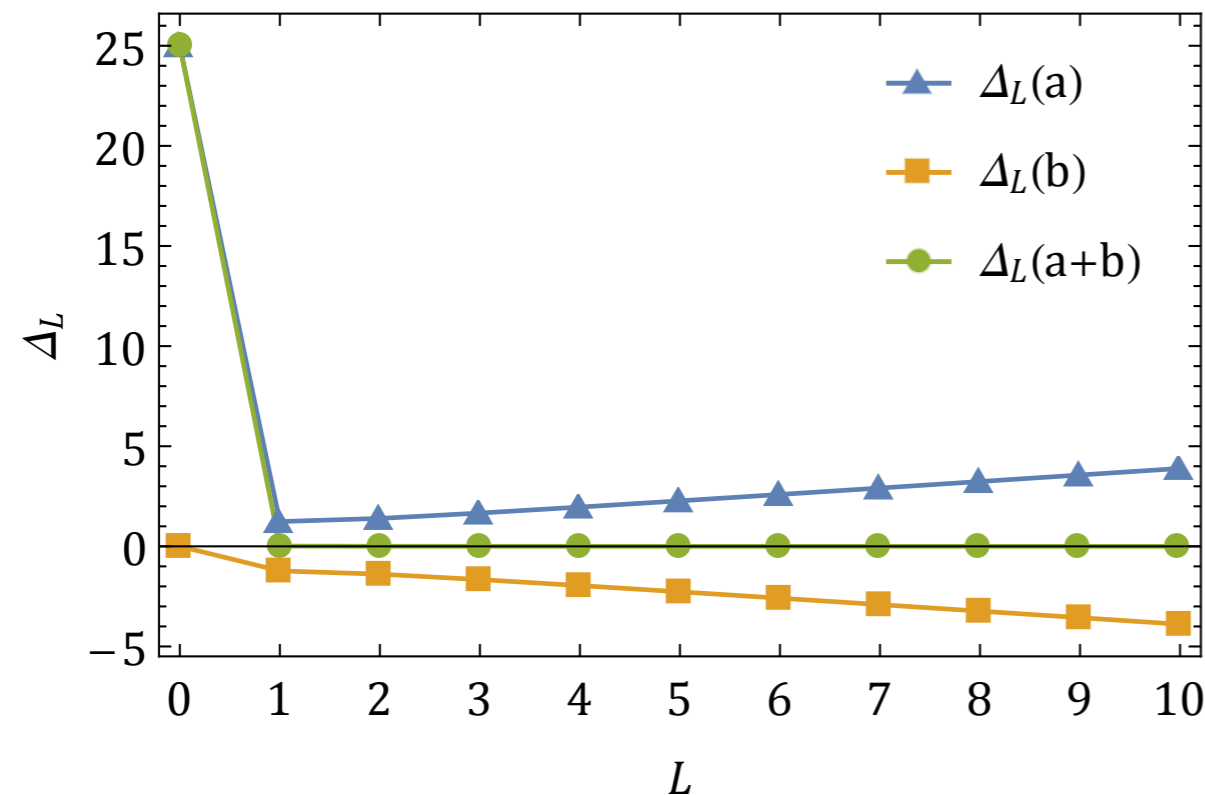
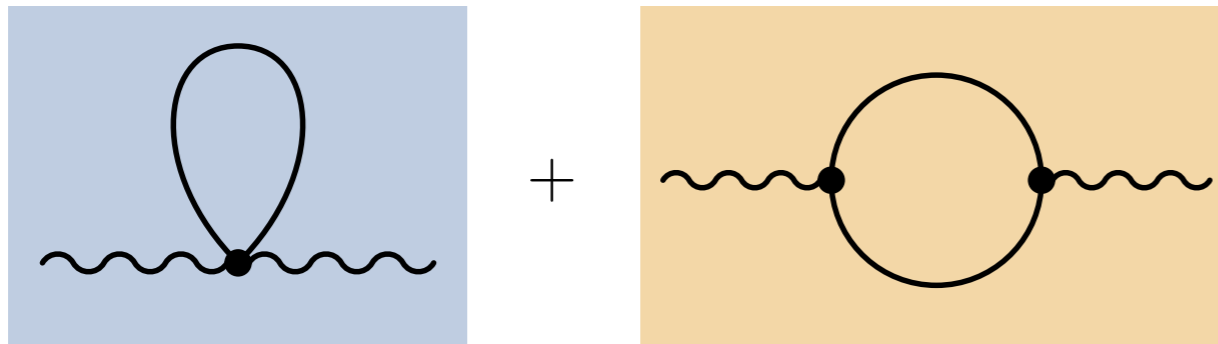
Zero-mode-only
approximation:

$$\delta M_A^2 = \frac{3e^2 H^4}{4\pi^2 m^2}$$

= 0, due to
derivatives

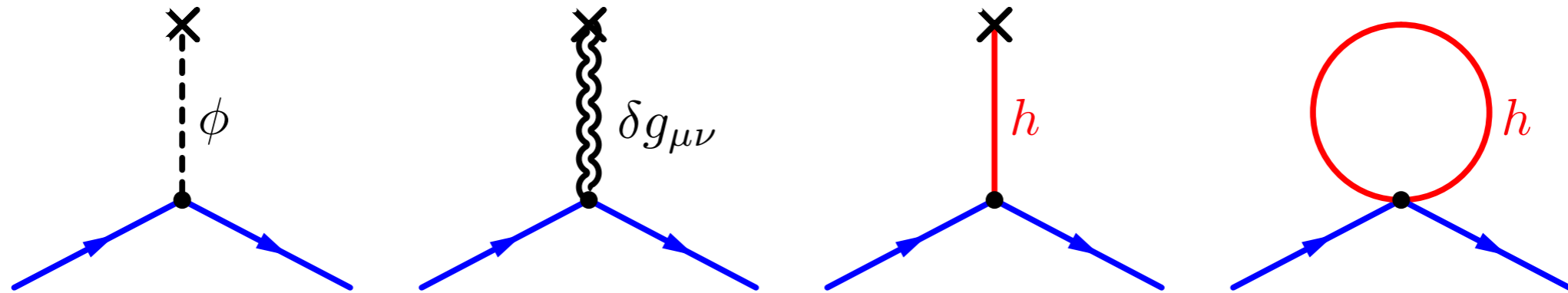
Loop corrections: Wick rotation

- Example 2: Gauge boson
Possible to keep all modes / compute full 1-loop



Standard Model mass spectrum

- Combining all corrections: Classical input + quantum correction



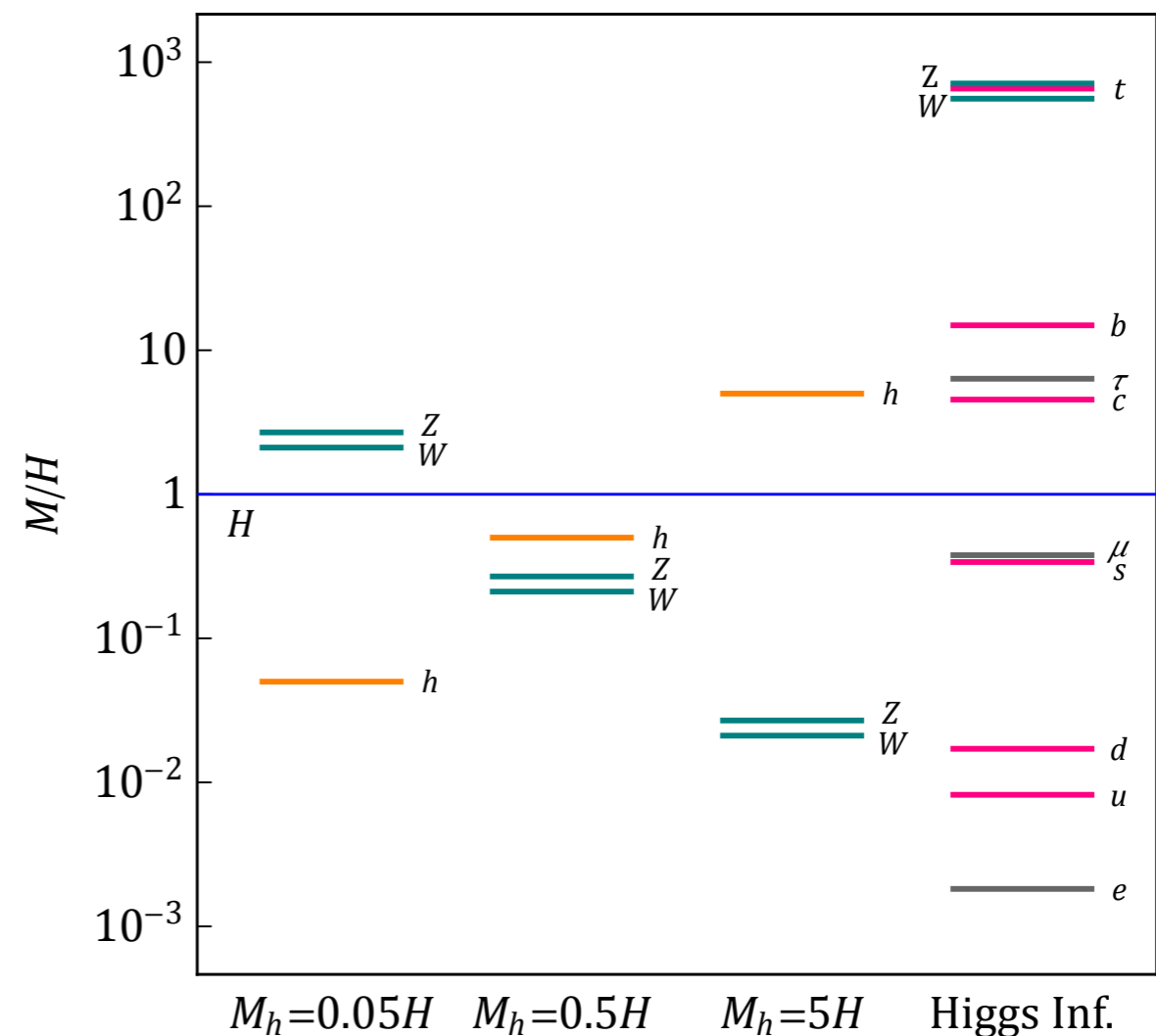
- For non-Higgs inflation:
 - Higgs mass arbitrary, generally $\gtrsim \mathcal{O}(H)$
 - Gauge bosons get mass: due to Higgs zero-mode
 - Fermions remain massless, if classically so

Standard Model mass spectrum

- **Non-Higgs inflation** SM spectrum: In general very arbitrary
- **Calibration limit:** SM mass spectrum not “polluted” by inflaton couplings

- **Higgs inflation:**

SM spectrum uplifted from electroweak scale to inflation scale, except the Higgs boson itself



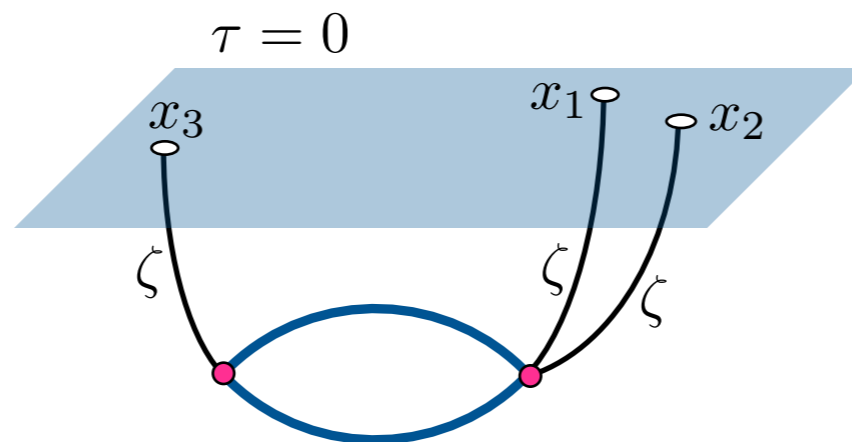
Chen, Wang, ZZX, 1610.06597

SM background in cosmological collider

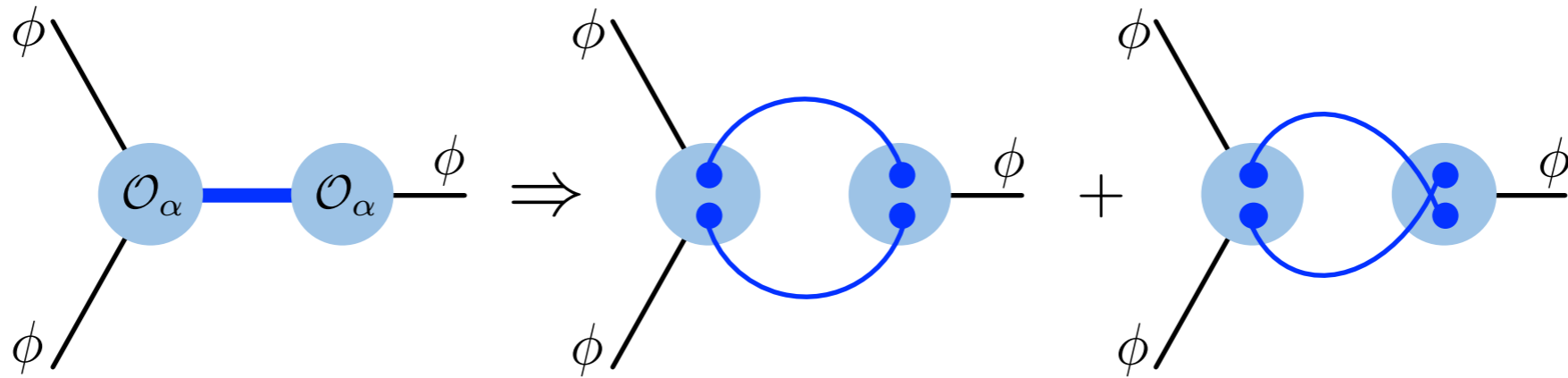
- How to reveal SM spectrum in cosmological collider?
 - always produced in pairs

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -f_H(X)\mathbf{H}^\dagger\mathbf{H} - f_{DH}(X)|D_\mu\mathbf{H}|^2 \\ - f_{\Psi_i}(X)\bar{\Psi}_i\not{D}\Psi_i - \frac{1}{4}f_{A_a}(X)F_{a\mu\nu}F_a^{\mu\nu},$$

- – 1-loop diagrams at leading order



SM background in cosmological collider

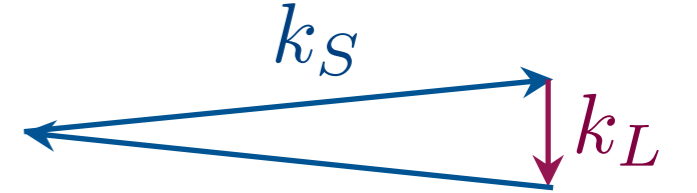


- **Discovering channel:** loops lines stretched far beyond horizon
- Non-local effect, free of UV divergence
- Oscillating/scaling behavior in squeezed limit:
 - Late-time expansion as an approximation

SM background in cosmological collider

- Dimensionless non-Gaussianity

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$$S_H = \left[\frac{f'_H(X_0)}{1 + f_{DH}(X_0)} \right]^2 \frac{\dot{\phi}_0^2}{2\pi^4} \left[C_H(\mu_h) \left(\frac{k_L}{2k_S} \right)^{2-2\mu_h} + (\mu_h \rightarrow -\mu_h) \right]$$

$$S_{DH} = \left[\frac{f'_{DH}(X_0)}{1 + f_{DH}(X_0)} \right]^2 \frac{H^4 \dot{\phi}_0^2}{8\pi^4} \left[C_{DH}(\mu_h) \left(\frac{k_L}{2k_S} \right)^{2-2\mu_h} + (\mu_h \rightarrow -\mu_h) \right]$$

$$S_\Psi = \left[\frac{f'_\Psi(X_0)}{1 + f_\Psi(X_0)} \right]^2 \frac{H^4 \dot{\phi}_0^2 \mu_{1/2}^2}{2\pi^4} \left[C_\Psi(\mu_{1/2}) \left(\frac{k_L}{k_S} \right)^{1+2i\mu_{1/2}} + \text{c.c.} \right]$$

$$S_A = \left[\frac{f'_A(X_0)}{1 + f_A(X_0)} \right]^2 \frac{27H^8 \dot{\phi}_0^2}{16\pi^4 M_A^4} \left[C_A(\mu_1) \left(\frac{k_L}{2k_S} \right)^{2-2\mu_1} + (\mu_1 \rightarrow -\mu_1) \right]$$

SM background in cosmological collider

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$$C_H(\mu) \simeq (2 - \mu)(3 - 2\mu) \cos(\pi\mu) \sin^3(\pi\mu) \\ \times \Gamma(-4 + 4\mu) \Gamma^2(\mu) \Gamma^2\left(\frac{3}{2} - \mu\right) \Gamma^2(2 - 2\mu)$$

- Very model dependent in general
- But **consistency relation** still exists in most general case:

$$\frac{d \ln \tan^2 \theta_W}{d \ln k} = \frac{\pi(1 - n_s - \frac{1}{4}r)}{3\sqrt{3P_\zeta} \sin^2 \theta_W} \left[\frac{M_W^2}{H^2} \sqrt{\frac{f_{NL}^W}{N_W |C_A(\mu_W)|}} - \frac{M_Z^2}{H^2} \sqrt{\frac{f_{NL}^Z}{N_Z |C_A(\mu_Z)|}} \right]$$

SM background in cosmological collider

- Signal strength?
- $f_{NL} \sim 1$ requires $f_H'^2(X_0) \sim \dot{\phi}_0^{-2}$
 $f_{DH}'^2(X_0), f_{\Psi}'^2(X_0), f_A'^2(X_0) \sim H^{-4} \dot{\phi}_0^{-2}$
— can be relaxed — Calibrating limit (Part 2)

- Calibrating limit in summary:

$$f_{DH}(X_0), f_{\Psi_i}(X_0), f_{A_a}(X_0) \ll 1$$

$$f_H'^2(X_0) \sim \dot{\phi}_0^{-2}$$

$$f_{DH}'^2(X_0), f_{\Psi}'^2(X_0), f_A'^2(X_0) \sim H^{-4} \dot{\phi}_0^{-2}$$

- Not technically natural as EFT, but can be realized in a model?

Example

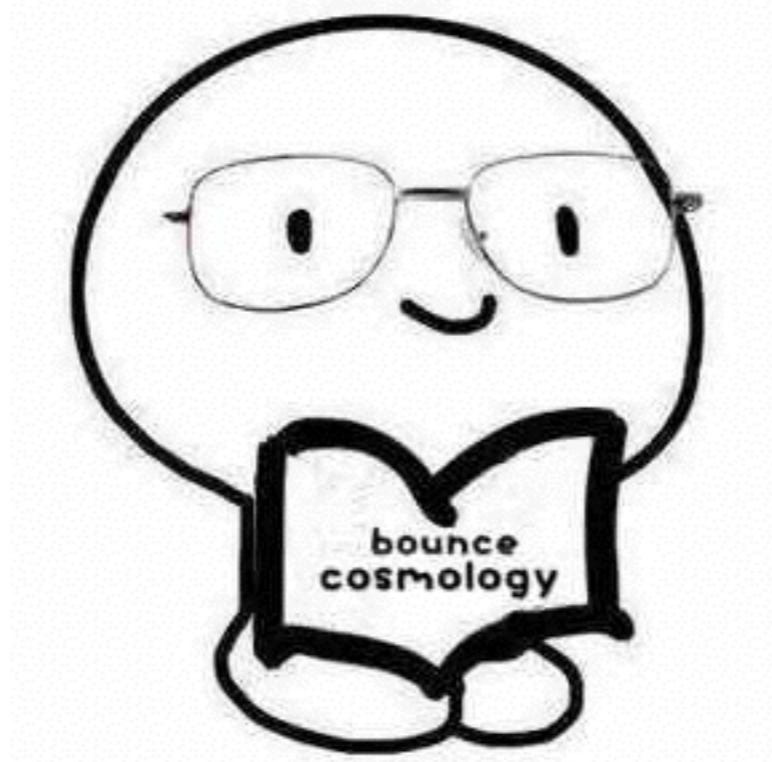
- More concrete predictions can be made for specific models
- Example: original Higgs inflation
- Heavy fields are suppressed by Boltzmann factor;
Light fields (fermions) are suppressed by small Yukawa couplings
- SM background is negligibly small
- More examples?

Summary

- SM particles present a novel mass spectrum during inflation, in contrast to ordinary case
- The SM spectrum in inflation is potentially observable from the squeezed limit of the inflaton bispectrum
- A detection of a heavy particle in squeezed bispectrum does not necessarily tell a new particle beyond SM
- The spin structure in bispectrum does not necessarily tell the spin of the massive particle
- **Loops are relevant!**

Outlook: Beyond Inflation Paradigm

- Spectator fields in alternative-to-inflation scenarios?
 - Primordial standard clocks [Chen, Namjoo, Wang, 1411.2349, 1509.03930](#)
- Generated at low scales in typical bouncing models
Anything interesting about pre-history of universe to be learnt from non-G? [e.g. Li, 1306.0191; Cai et al., 0903.0631](#)



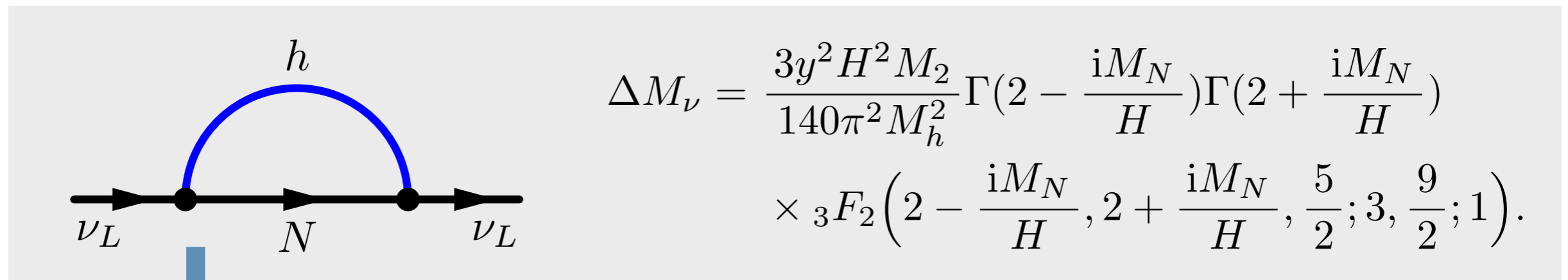
Outlook: Beyond SM

- Spin-0: Axions / moduli?
- Spin-1/2: Neutrinos: seesaw mechanisms?
Chen, Wang, ZZ, Xu, in progress
- Spin-1: Gauge symmetry breaking?
- Spin-3/2: Supersymmetry?
Delacretaz, Gorbenko, Senatore, 1610.04227
- Spin ≥ 2 : Higher spin particles / string states?
Lee, Baumann, Pimentel, 1607.03735
- Missing energy?

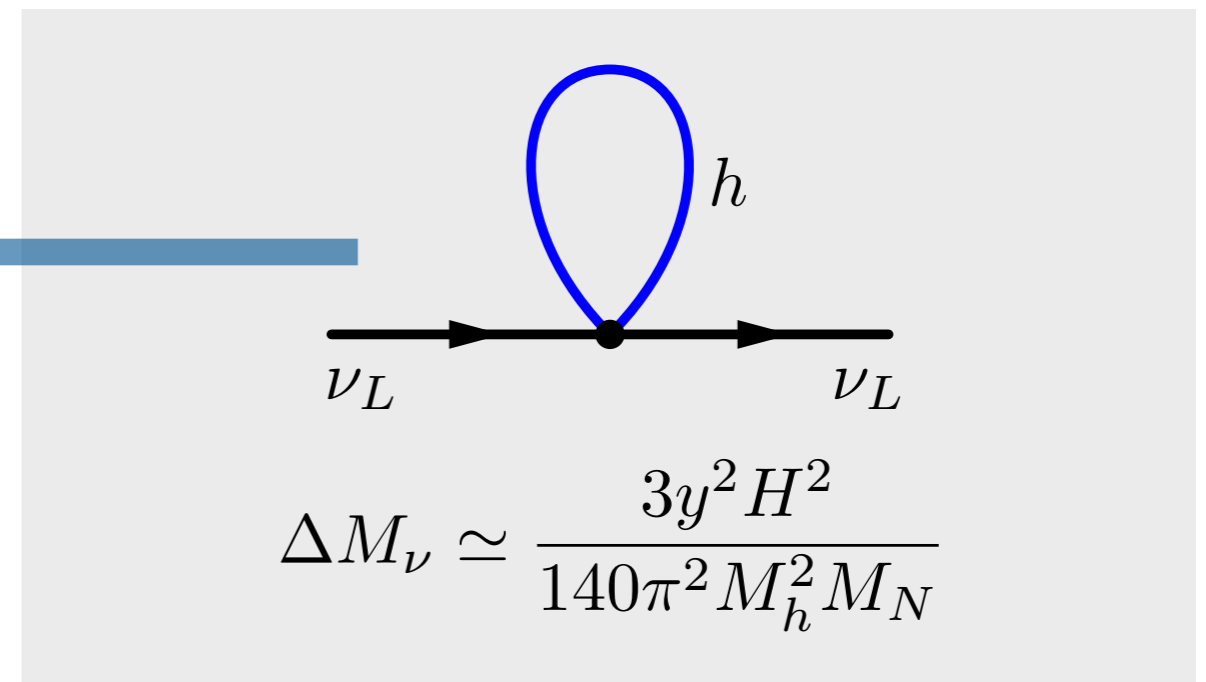
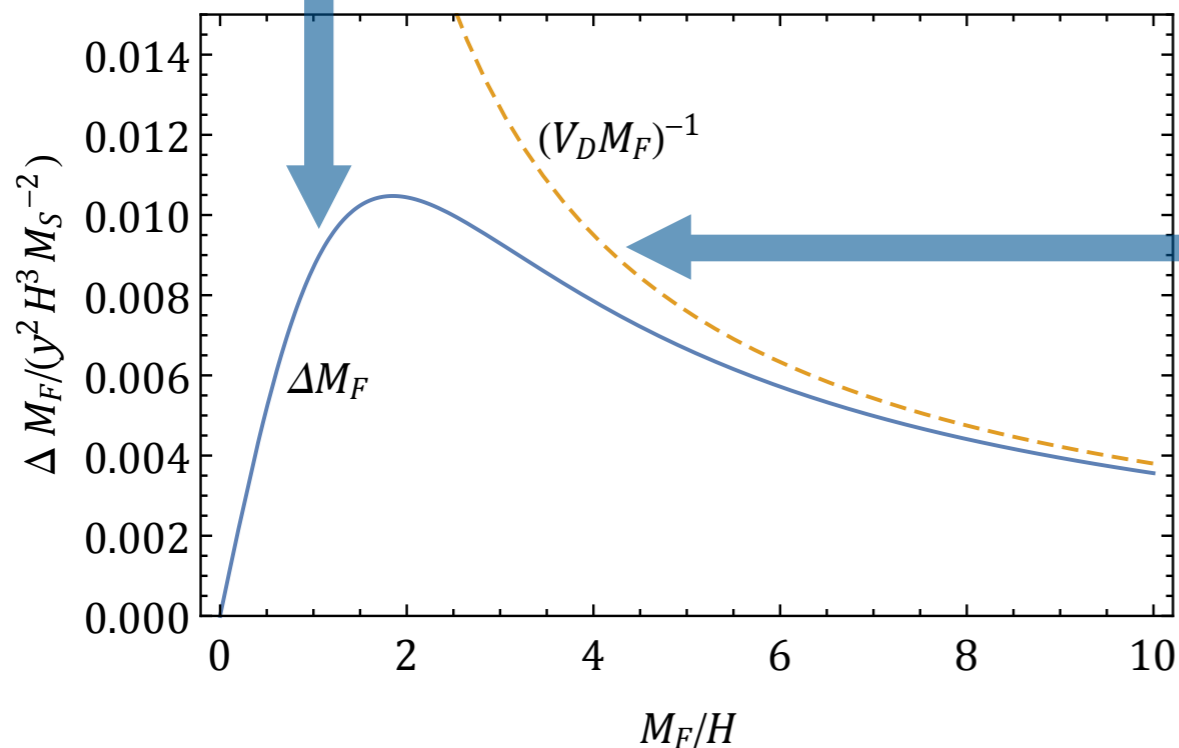
Beyond SM: Neutrino mass

- Example: Type I seesaw

Chen, Wang, ZZX, Xu, in progress



large M_N limit: Weinberg operator



Thank you!