

# Inflation and Beyond

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# Introduction

# What is Inflation?

Brout, Englert & Gunzig '77, Starobinsky '79, Guth '81, Sato '81, ...

- Inflation is a **quasi-exponential expansion** of the Universe at its very early stage; perhaps at  $t \sim 10^{-36}$  sec.
- It was meant to solve **the initial condition (singularity, horizon & flatness, etc.) problems** in Big-Bang Cosmology:
  - if any of them can be said to be solved depends on precise definitions of the problems.
- **Quantum vacuum fluctuations** during inflation turn out to play the most important role. They give the initial condition for **all the structures in the Universe**.
- **Cosmic gravitational wave background** is also generated.

In summary, the picture that emerges is in complete accord with the kinematic generalities of causal cosmology presented in Section 2. For  $y < y_0$ , one has  $p < 0$  ( $p \simeq -\sigma$ ). For  $y > y_0$ ,  $p$  becomes positive and  $\lambda$  undergoes an inflection. The situation is summarized in Figs. 1 and 2.

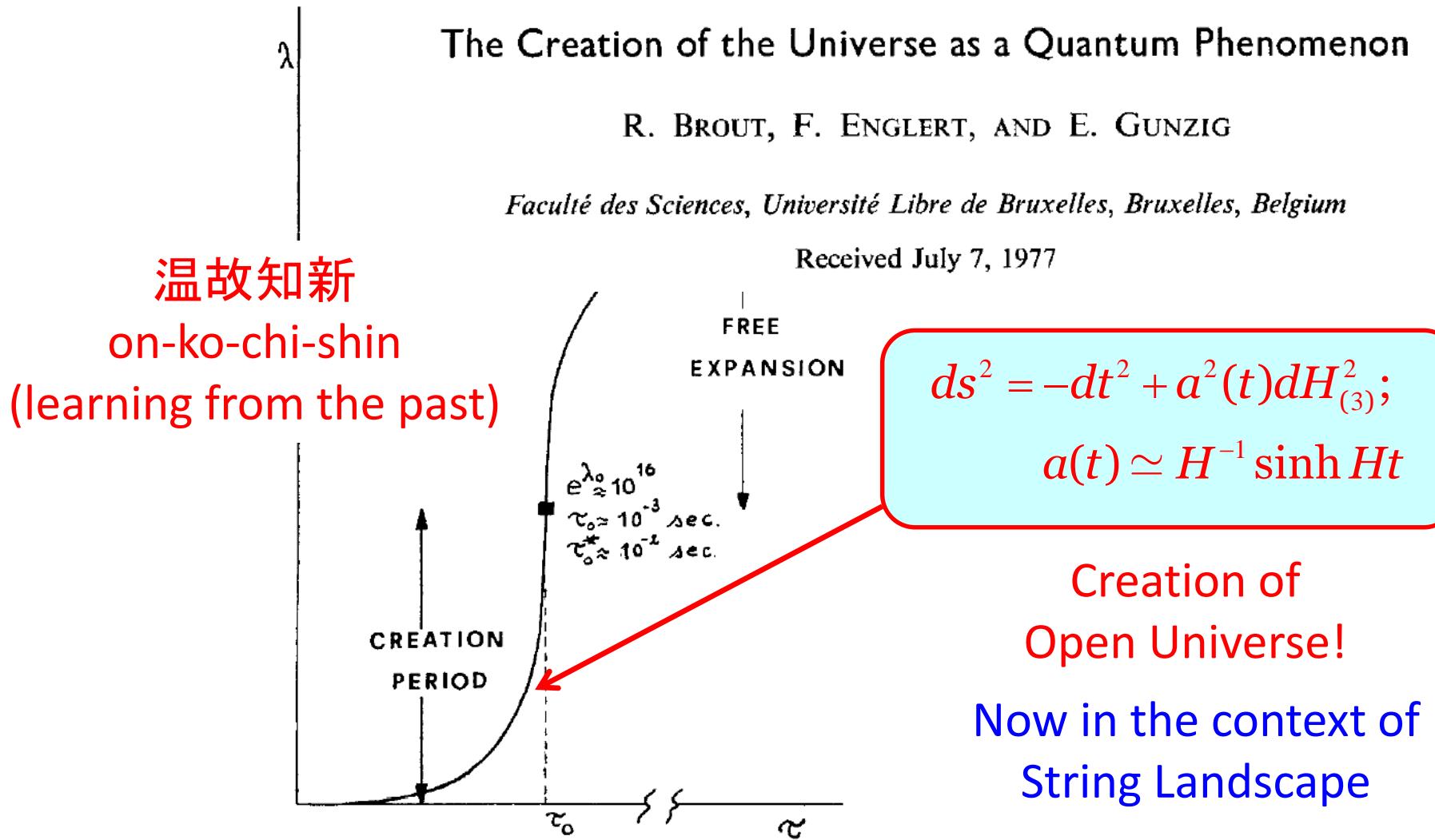
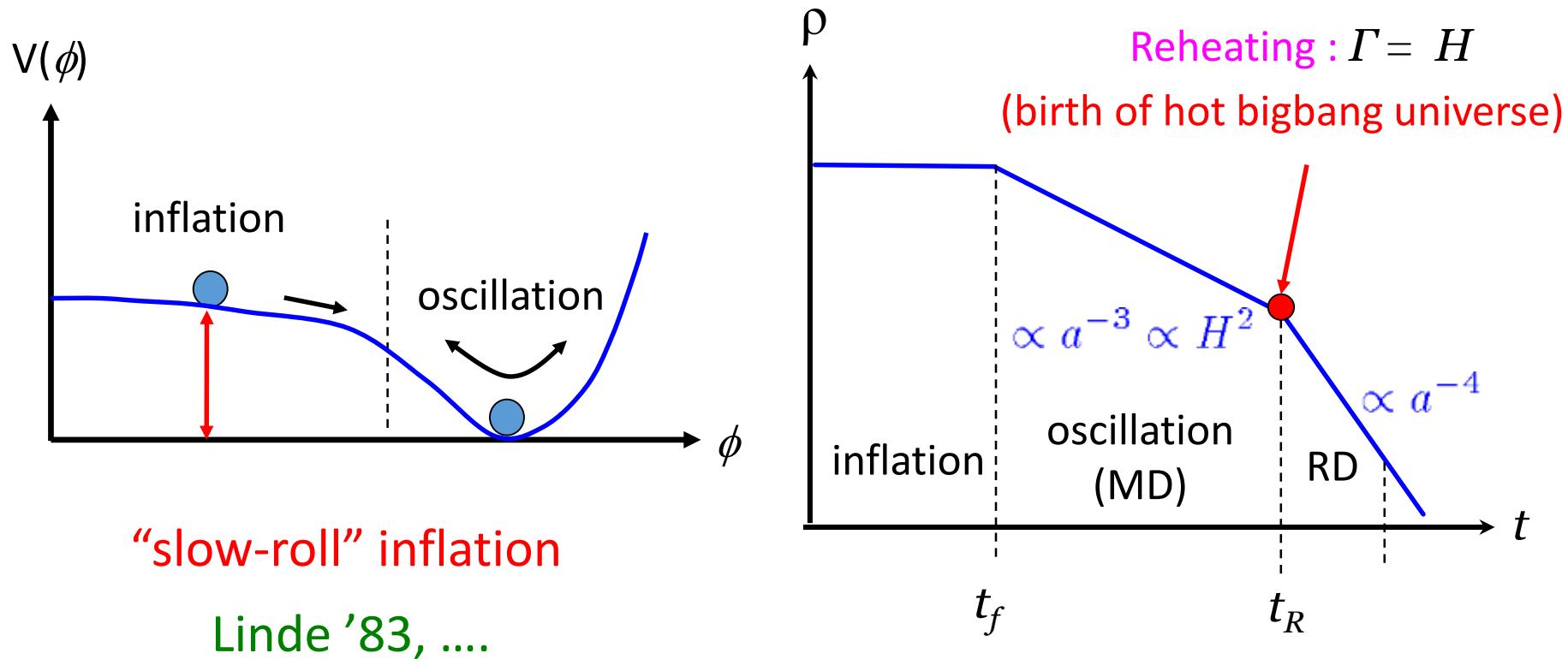


FIG. 1.  $\lambda$  as a function of kinematical time  $\tau$  for  $\delta = 0$ . Time scales are calculated for  $m = 1$  GeV.

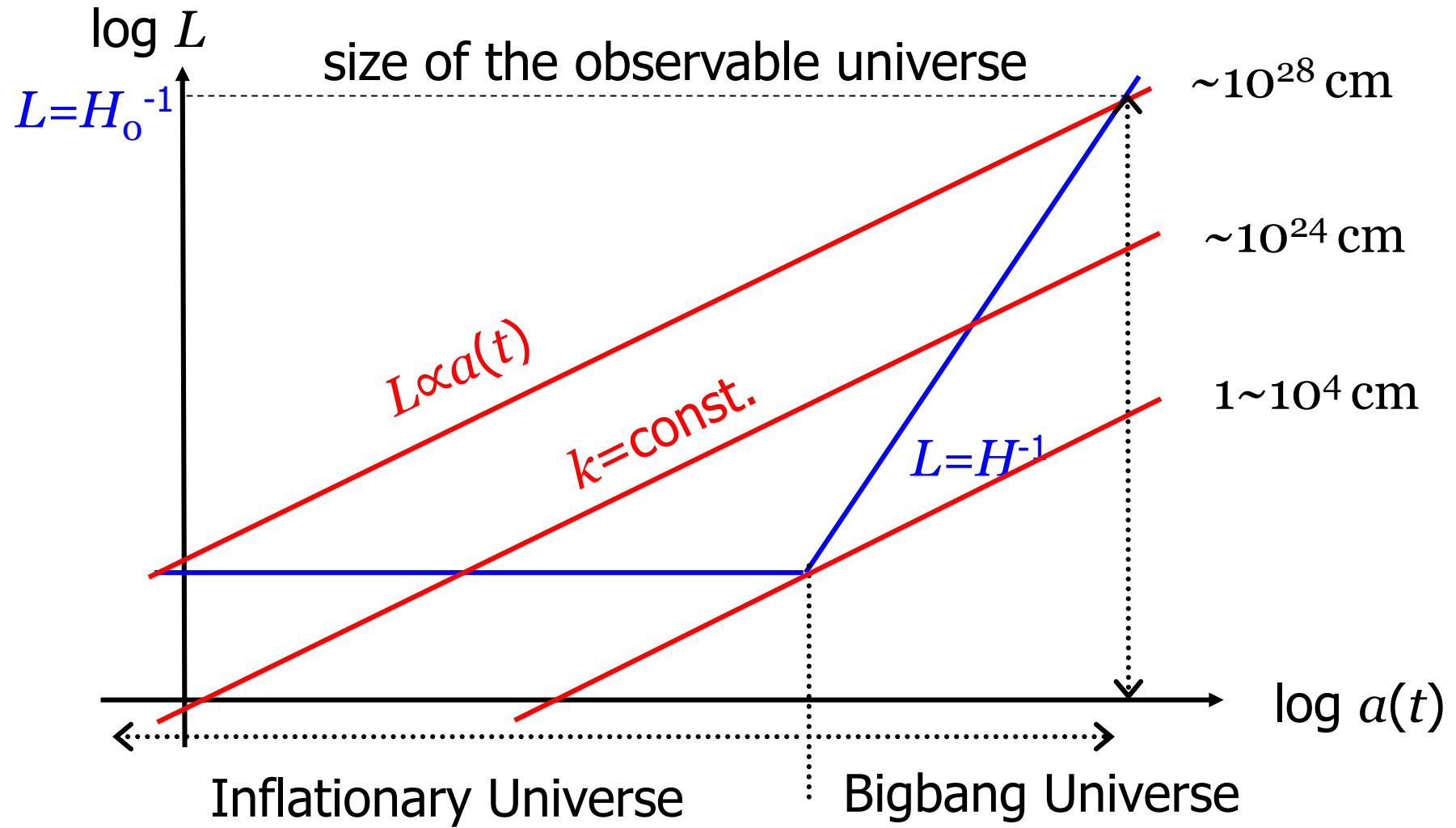
# From inflation to bigbang

After inflation, vacuum energy is converted to **thermal energy** (“re”heating) and **hot Bigbang Universe** is realized.



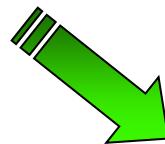
# Kinematics

# length scales of the inflationary universe

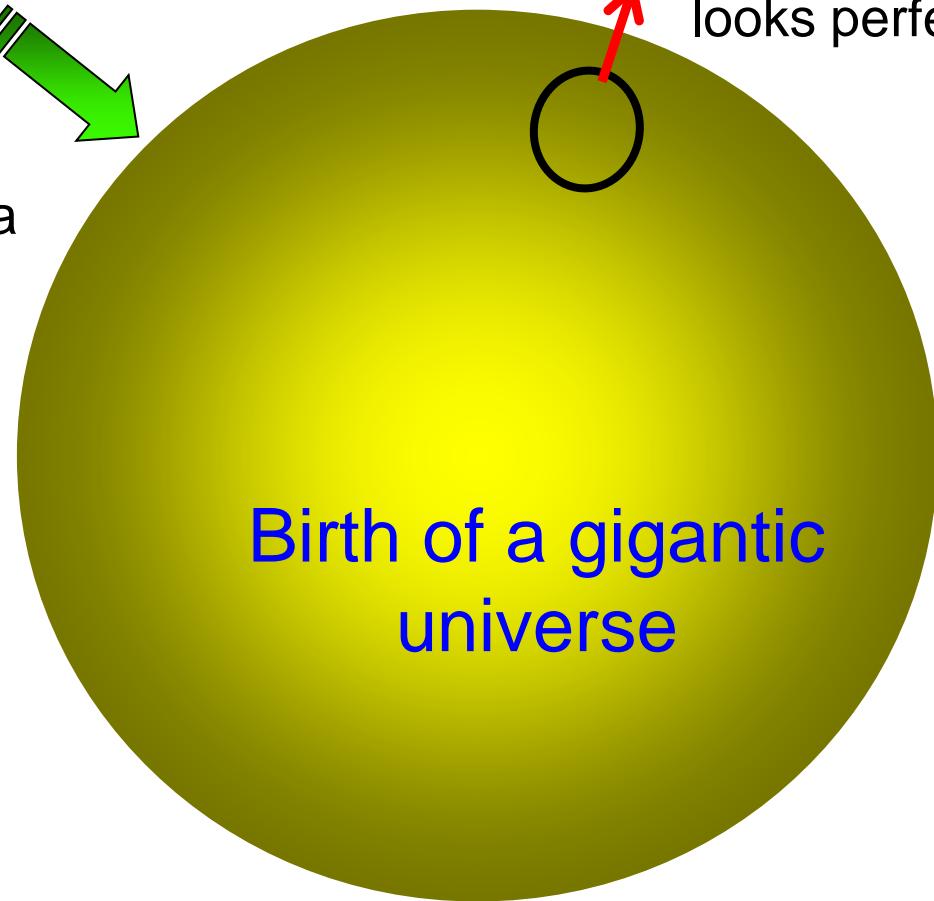


# Flatness

small universe



expands by a  
factor  $>10^{30}$



Birth of a gigantic  
universe

Flatness can be explained only by Inflation

NB: Inflation may not always imply flatness

# Dynamics

# Seed of cosmological perturbations

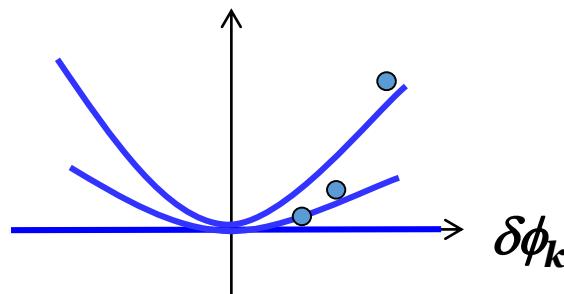
Mukhanov '81, ....

Zero-point (vacuum) fluctuations of  $\phi$ :

$$\delta\phi = \sum_k \delta\phi_k(t) e^{ik \cdot x}$$

$$\ddot{\delta\phi}_k + 3H\dot{\delta\phi}_k + \omega^2(t)\delta\phi_k = 0 ; \quad \omega^2(t) = \frac{k^2}{a^2(t)}$$

harmonic oscillator with friction term and time-dependent  $\omega$



$\delta\phi_k \rightarrow \text{const.}$

... frozen when  $\omega < H$   
(on superhorizon scales)

tensor (gravitational wave) modes also satisfy the same eq.

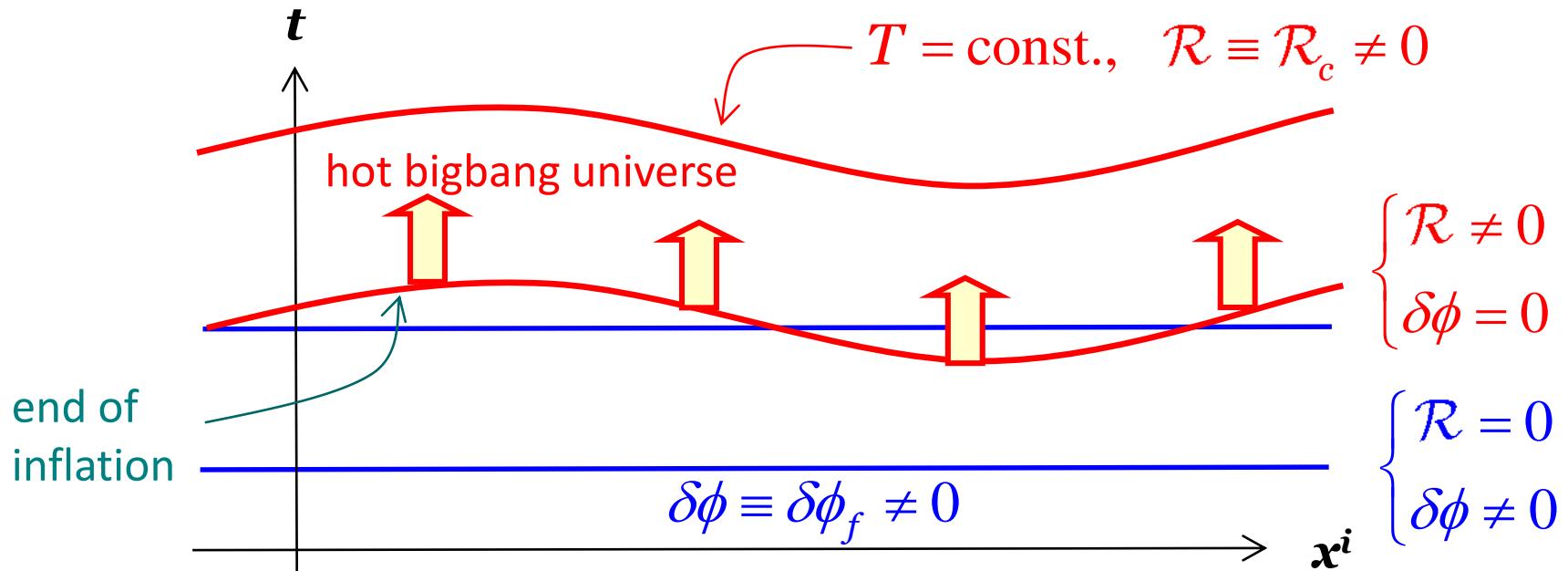
Starobinsky '79

# Generation of Curvature Perturbation

curvature (potential) perturbation  $\mathcal{R}$ : 
$$\delta R^{(3)} = -\frac{4}{a^2} \nabla^2 \mathcal{R}$$

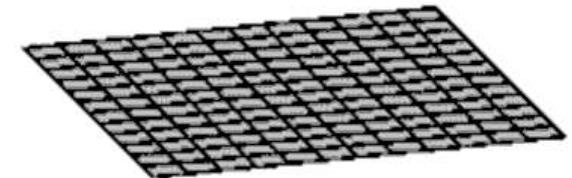
comoving curvature perturbation  $\mathcal{R}_c \sim$  - Newton potential

- $\delta\phi$  is frozen on “flat” ( $\mathcal{R}=0$ ) 3-surface ( $t=\text{const.}$  hypersurface) 
$$\mathcal{R}_c = -\frac{H}{\dot{\phi}} \delta\phi_f$$
- Inflation ends/damped osc starts “comoving” ( $\phi=\text{const.}$ ) on 3-surface.



# Generic predictions of inflation

- (Almost) spatially flat universe
  - \*open universe is possible
- Nearly scale invariant, adiabatic, Gaussian primordial scalar (curvature) perturbations
- Nearly scale invariant, Gaussian primordial tensor (gravitational wave) perturbations



Generates CMB anisotropy  
Origin of galaxies, stars, ...

# Quantitative Predictions

- Amplitude of curvature perturbation:

$$\mathcal{R}_c = \left. \frac{H^2}{2\pi\dot{\phi}} \right|_{k/a=H} \quad \text{Mukhanov (1985), MS (1986)}$$

- Power spectrum index:

$$M_{pl} \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{8\pi G}} \sim 2.4 \times 10^{18} \text{ GeV}: \text{Planck mass}$$

$$\frac{4\pi k^3}{(2\pi)^3} P_S(k) = \left[ \frac{H^2}{2\pi\dot{\phi}} \right]_{k/a=H}^2 = A k^{n_s - 1}; \quad n_s - 1 = M_P^2 \left( 2 \frac{V''}{V} - 3 \frac{V'^2}{V^2} \right)$$

Stewart-Lyth (1993)

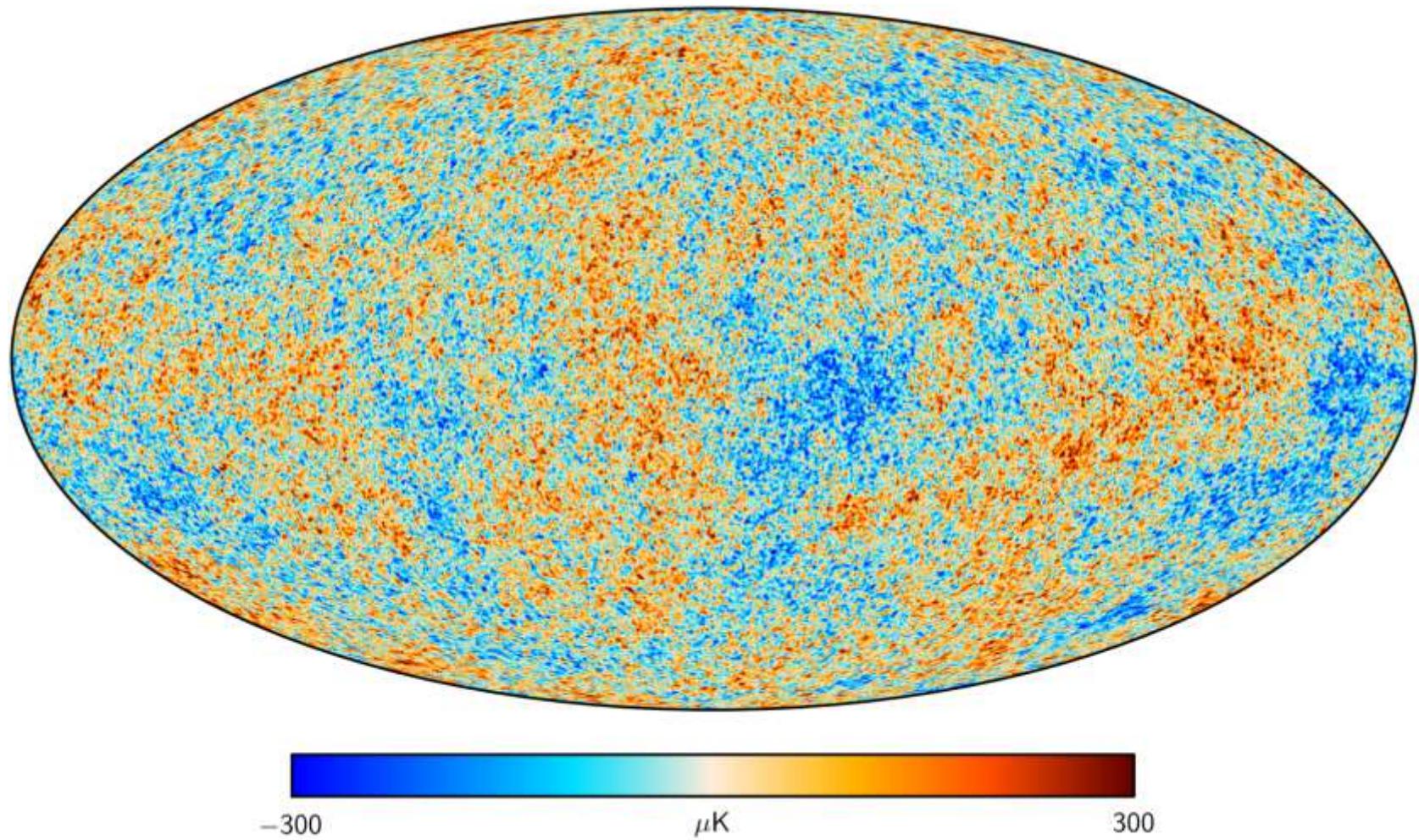
- Tensor (gravitational wave) spectrum:

$$\frac{4\pi k^3}{(2\pi)^3} P_T(k) = A k^{n_T}; \quad n_T = -\frac{1}{8} \frac{P_S(k)}{P_T(k)} \equiv -\frac{r}{8} \quad \text{Liddle-Lyth (1992)}$$

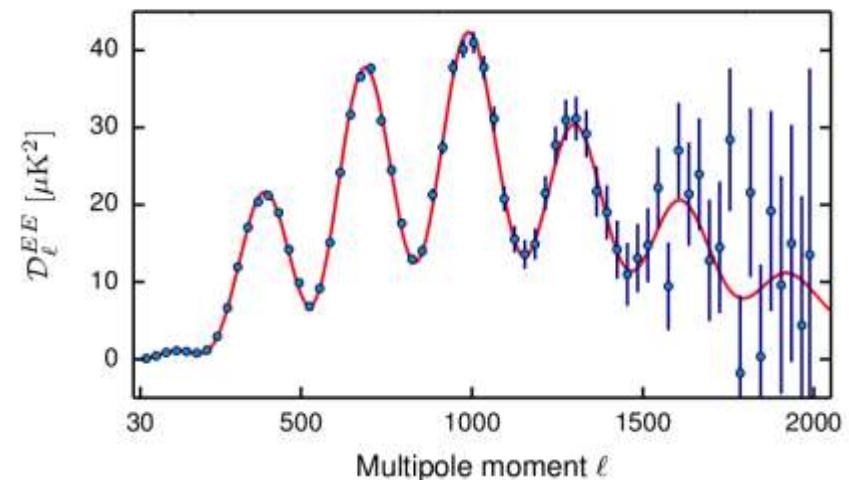
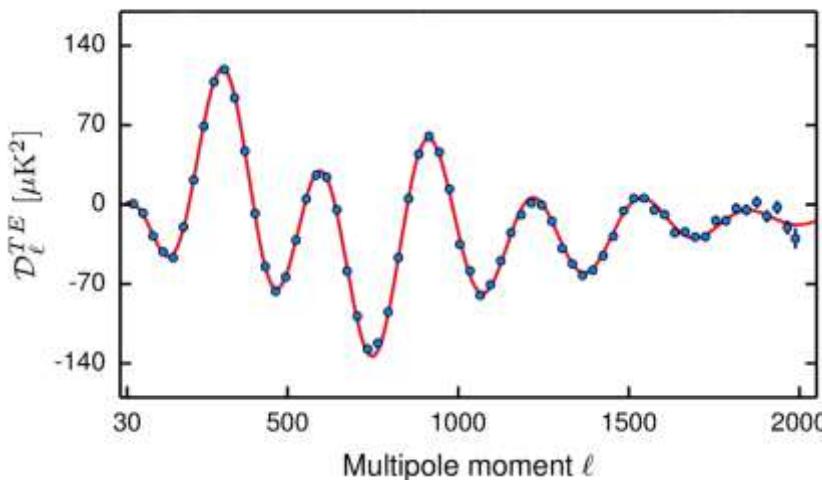
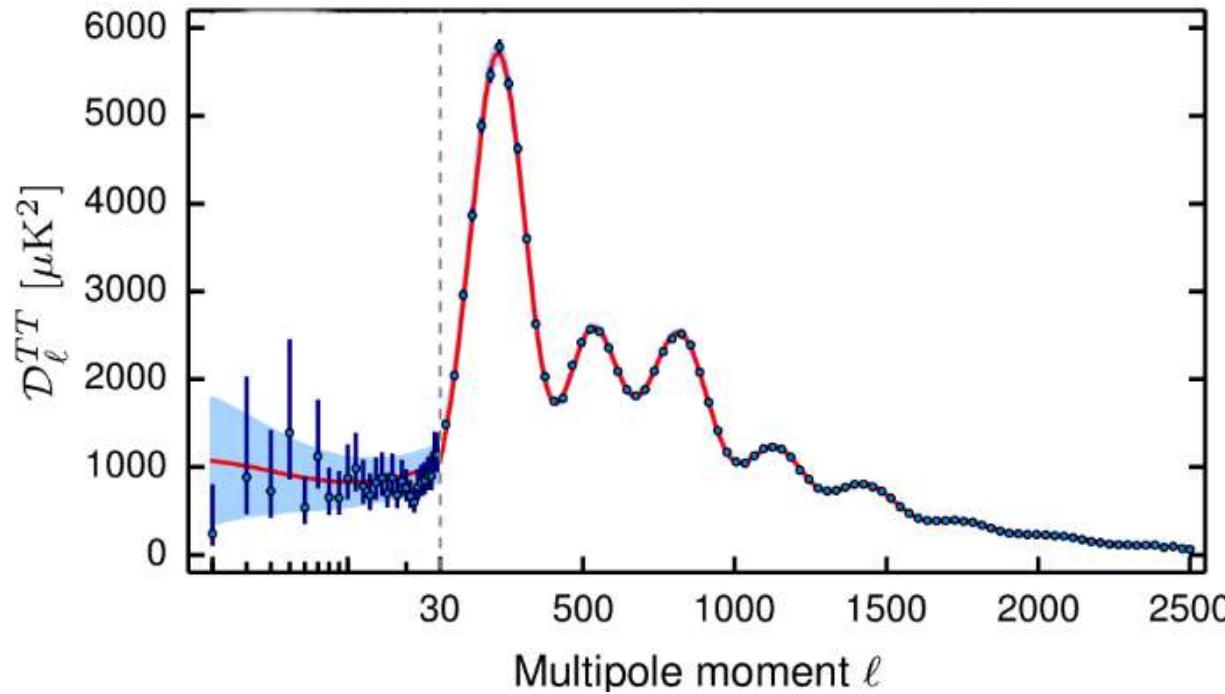
“consistency relation”

# Observational results

# Planck sky map



# Planck TT, TE & EE spectrum



- Amplitude of curvature perturbation:

$$\mathcal{R}_c = \left. \frac{H^2}{2\pi\dot{\phi}} \right|_{k/a=H} \quad \text{Mukhanov (1985), MS (1986)}$$

$\mathcal{R}_{c,\text{obs}} \sim 10^{-5} \Rightarrow V^{1/4}(\phi) \lesssim 10^{16} \text{ GeV}?$

- Power spectrum index:

$$M_P \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{8\pi G}} \sim 2.4 \times 10^{18} \text{ GeV: Planck mass}$$

$$\frac{4\pi k^3}{(2\pi)^3} P_s(k) = \left[ \frac{H^2}{2\pi\dot{\phi}} \right]_{k/a=H}^2 = A k^{n_s - 1}; \quad n_s - 1 = M_P^2 \left( 2 \frac{V''}{V} - 3 \frac{V'^2}{V^2} \right)$$

Stewart-Lyth (1993)

$n_{S,\text{Planck}} - 1 = -0.0355 \pm 0.0049 \Leftrightarrow n_s - 1 \sim -0.04$  for a typical model

Mukhanov-Chibisov (1981)

- Tensor (gravitational wave) spectrum:

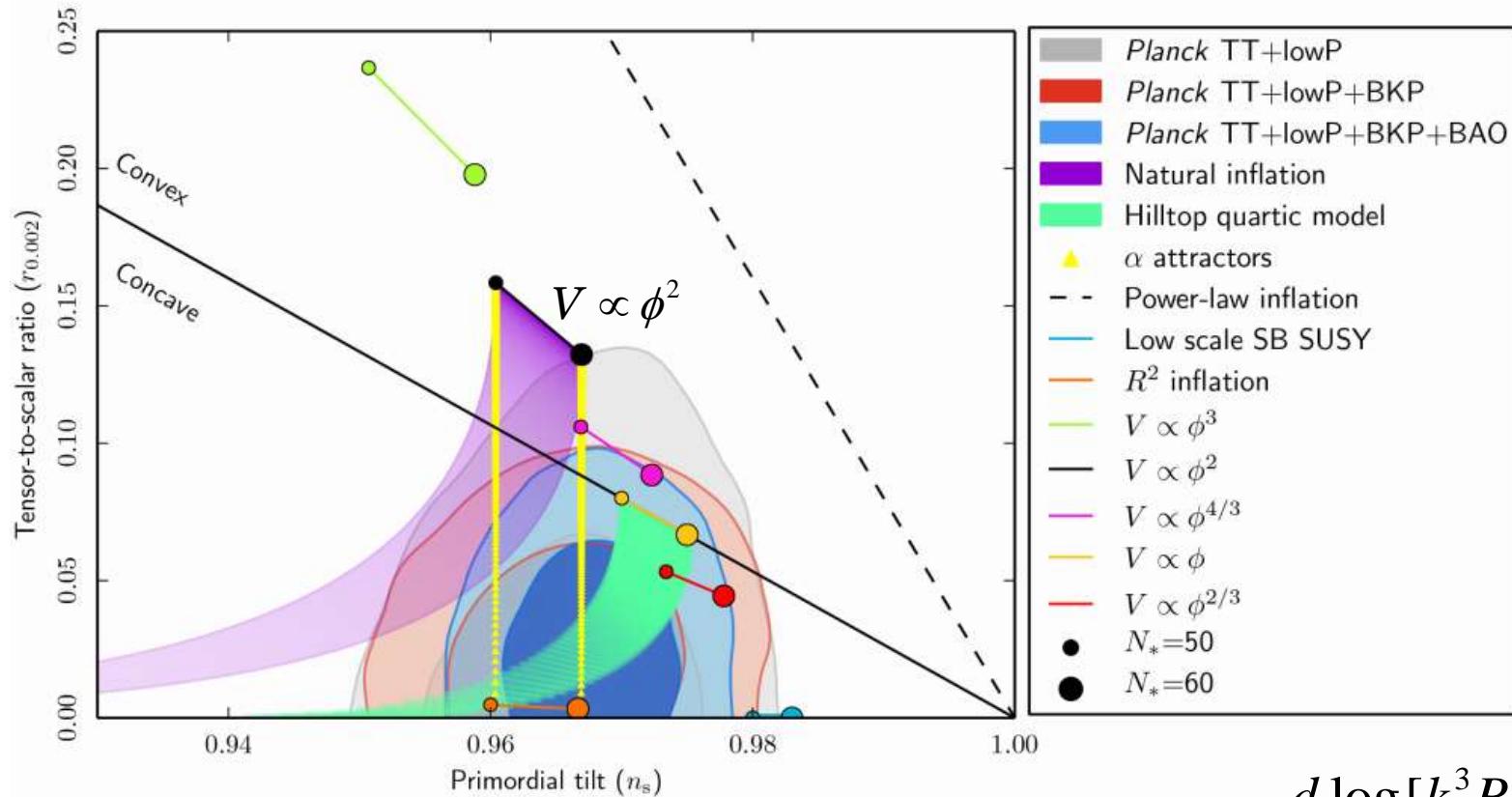
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Liddle-Lyth (1992)

to be observed ...

# Planck constraints on inflation

Planck 2015 XX



- scalar spectral index:  $n_s \sim 0.96$
- tensor-to-scalar ratio:  $r < 0.1$
- simplest  $V \propto \phi^2$  model is almost excluded

$$n_s - 1 \equiv \frac{d \log [k^3 P_S(k)]}{d \log k}$$

$$r \equiv \frac{P_T(k)}{P_S(k)}$$

All in all ...

Inflation as the Origin of  
All Structures  
of the Universe

Nevertheless...

- simple, canonical models are on verge of extinction ( $m^2\phi^2$  model excluded at  $> 2 \sigma$ )
- $R^2$  (Starobinsky) model seems to fit best. But why?  
(large  $R^2$  correction but negligible higher order terms)

Beyond  
(standard model of)  
Inflation?

# non-canonical models

- Non-canonical kinetic term? ( $c_s < 1?$ )

$$P_{\mathcal{R}} \propto \frac{1}{c_s} \quad (c_s: \text{sound speed}), \quad f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{equil}} \propto \frac{1}{c_s^2}$$

Planck:  $c_s > 0.024$  at 95% CL

- non-minimal coupling to gravity?

$$V(\phi) + \xi \phi^2 R \quad \rightarrow \quad r = \frac{P_T(k)}{P_{\mathcal{R}}(k)} \propto \frac{1}{\xi} \quad \text{Planck: } \xi > \mathcal{O}(10)?$$

- scalar-tensor with derivative couplings (Hordeski) ?

$$c_s < 1, \quad c_{s,T} < 1, \quad c_s \neq c_{s,T}$$



tensor propagation speed

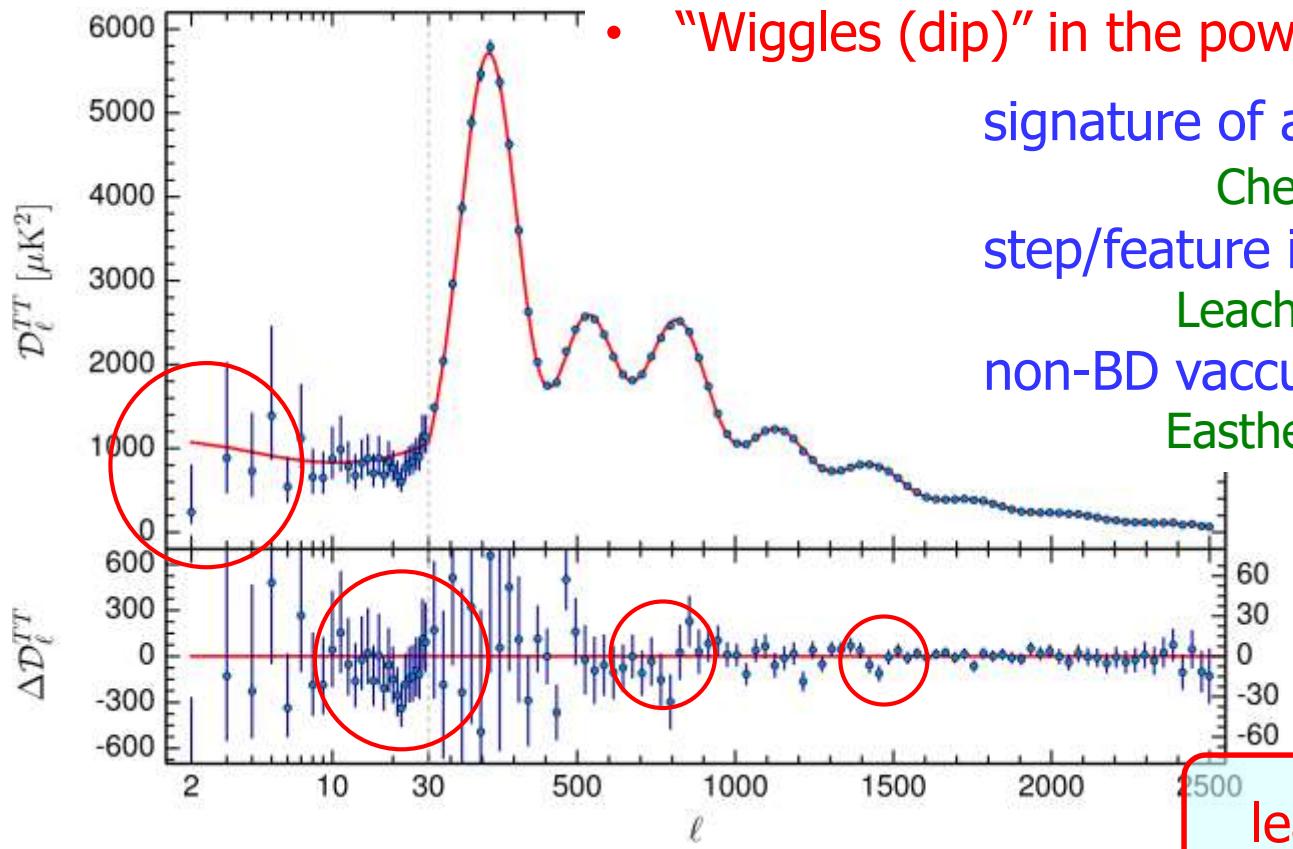
non-existence of  
Einstein frame?



definition of  
inflation?

- multi-field models, non-attractor inflation, ...

# Anomalies & Features



- “Wiggles (dip)” in the power spectrum  
signature of a heavy field?  
Chen '11, ...  
step/feature in potential?  
Leach et al. '01, ....  
non-BD vacuum?  
Easter et al. '02,....

learning from the past!

- Suppressed large scale fluctuations  
featured potential? open inflation?  
Linde, MS & Tanaka '99, ....

# Cosmic Landscape

string theory suggests an intriguing picture of the early universe



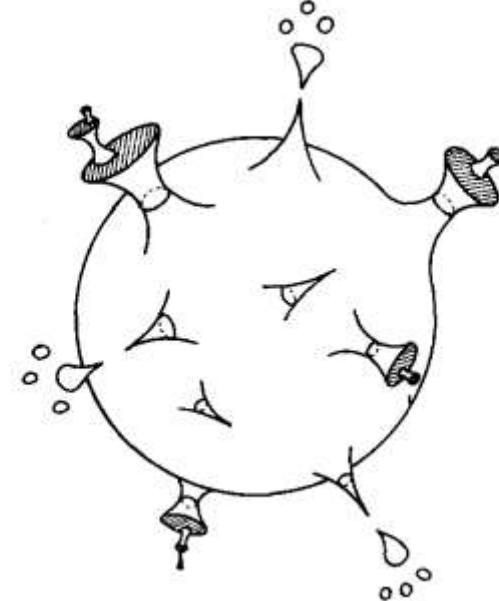
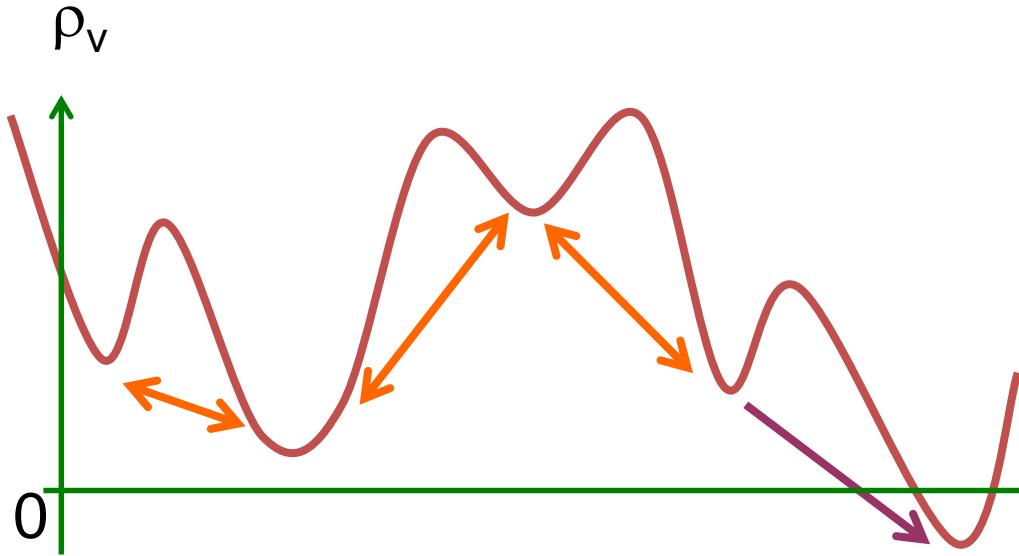
taken from <http://ineedfire.deviantart.com/art/Psychedelic-Multiverse-104313536>

Maybe we live in one of these vacua...

➤ Universe jumps around in the landscape by quantum tunneling

- it can go up to a vacuum with larger  $\rho_v$   
de Sitter (dS) space ~ thermal state with  $T = H/2\pi$
- if it tunnels to a vacuum with negative  $\rho_v$ ,  
it collapses within  $t \sim M_P/|\rho_v|^{1/2}$ .
- so we focus on vacua with positive  $\rho_v$ : dS vacua

expansion rate  
↓



Sato, Kodama, MS & Maeda ('81)

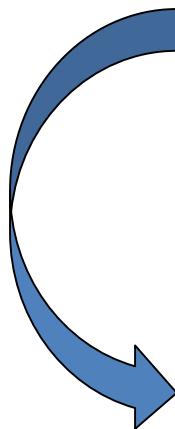
# Open Inflation in Cosmic Landscape

Universe inside nucleated bubble = spatially open universe

Friedmann eq.

$$H^2 \equiv \left( \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \right)^2 = \frac{\rho}{3M_P^2} + \frac{1}{a^2}$$

negative  
spatial  
curvature



$$1 = \frac{\rho}{3M_P^2 H^2} + \frac{1}{a^2 H^2} \equiv \Omega + \Omega_K$$

density parameter

Observational data indicate  $1 - \Omega_0 = \Omega_{K,0} \sim < 10^{-2}$  : almost flat

("0" stands for current value)

# What if this is the case?

## ➤ two possibilities

1. inflation after tunneling was short enough ( $N \sim 60$ )

$$\Omega_{K,o} = 1 - \Omega_o = 10^{-2} \sim 10^{-3} \quad \text{"open universe"}$$

→ signatures in **large angle CMB anisotropies?**

Kanno, MS & Tanaka ('13), White, Zhang & MS ('14), ...

2. inflation after tunneling was long enough ( $N \gg 60$ )

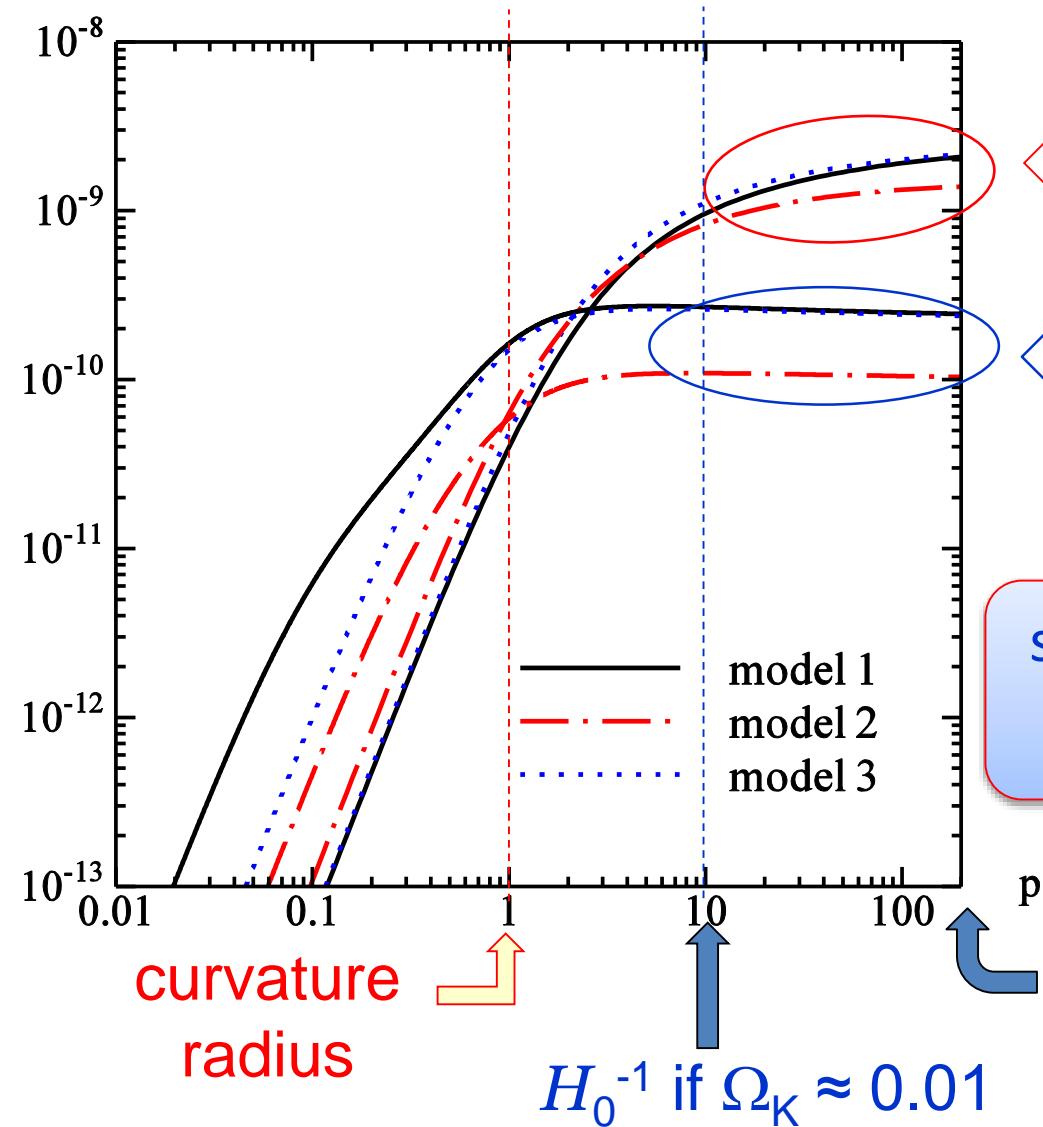
$$\Omega_{K,o} = 1 - \Omega_o \ll 1 \quad \text{"flat universe"}$$

→ signatures from **bubble collisions**

Sugimura, Yamauchi & MS ('12), ...

# scalar suppression on large scales

$$(|R_p|^2, |U_p|^2) p^3/(2\pi^2)$$



Linde, MS & Tanaka (1999)  
White, Zhang & MS (2014)

scalar

$r \sim 0.1$  is still within  $1\sigma$

tensor

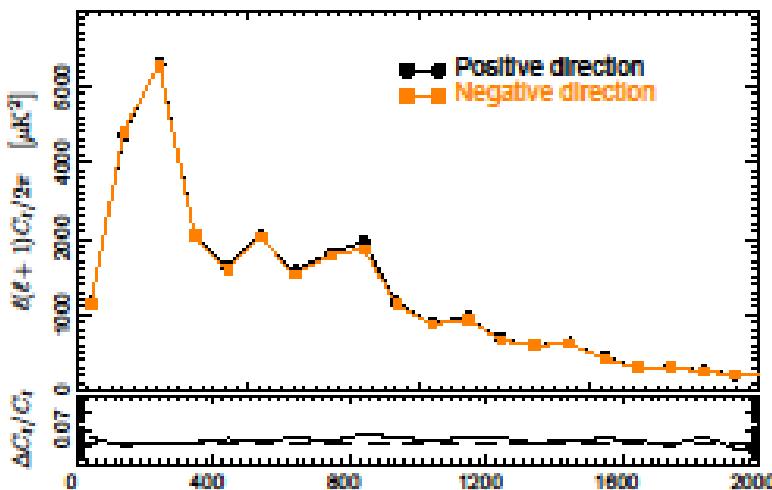
(no suppression)

scalar suppression begins at  
smaller scale

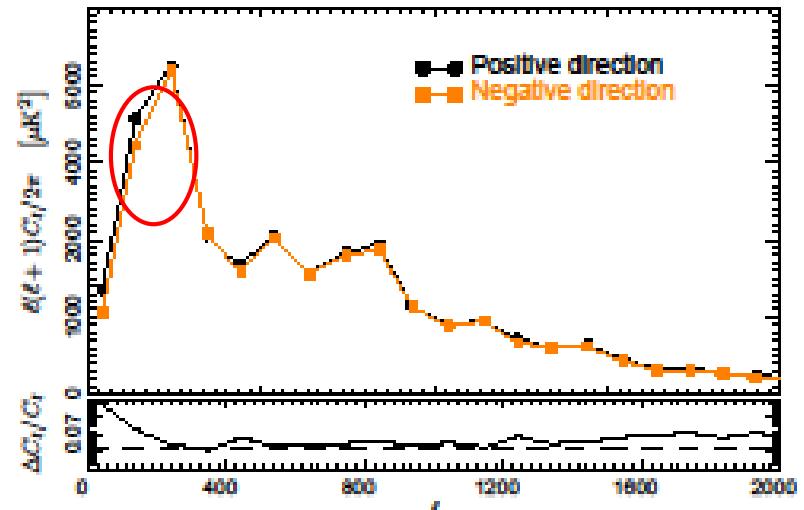
# dipole power asymmetry

$$P(k; \mathbf{n}) = \left(1 + 2A\hat{\mathbf{d}} \cdot \mathbf{n}\right) P_{iso}(k)$$

↑  
line of sight      ↑  
dipole



↑  
no asymmetry in the direction of  $\ell=1$



↑  
dipole asymmetry in the direction  
maximizing the asymmetry

# Planck 2013 XXIII

$$\frac{\delta T}{T} = (1 + A \cos \theta) \left( \frac{\delta T}{T} \right)_{iso}$$

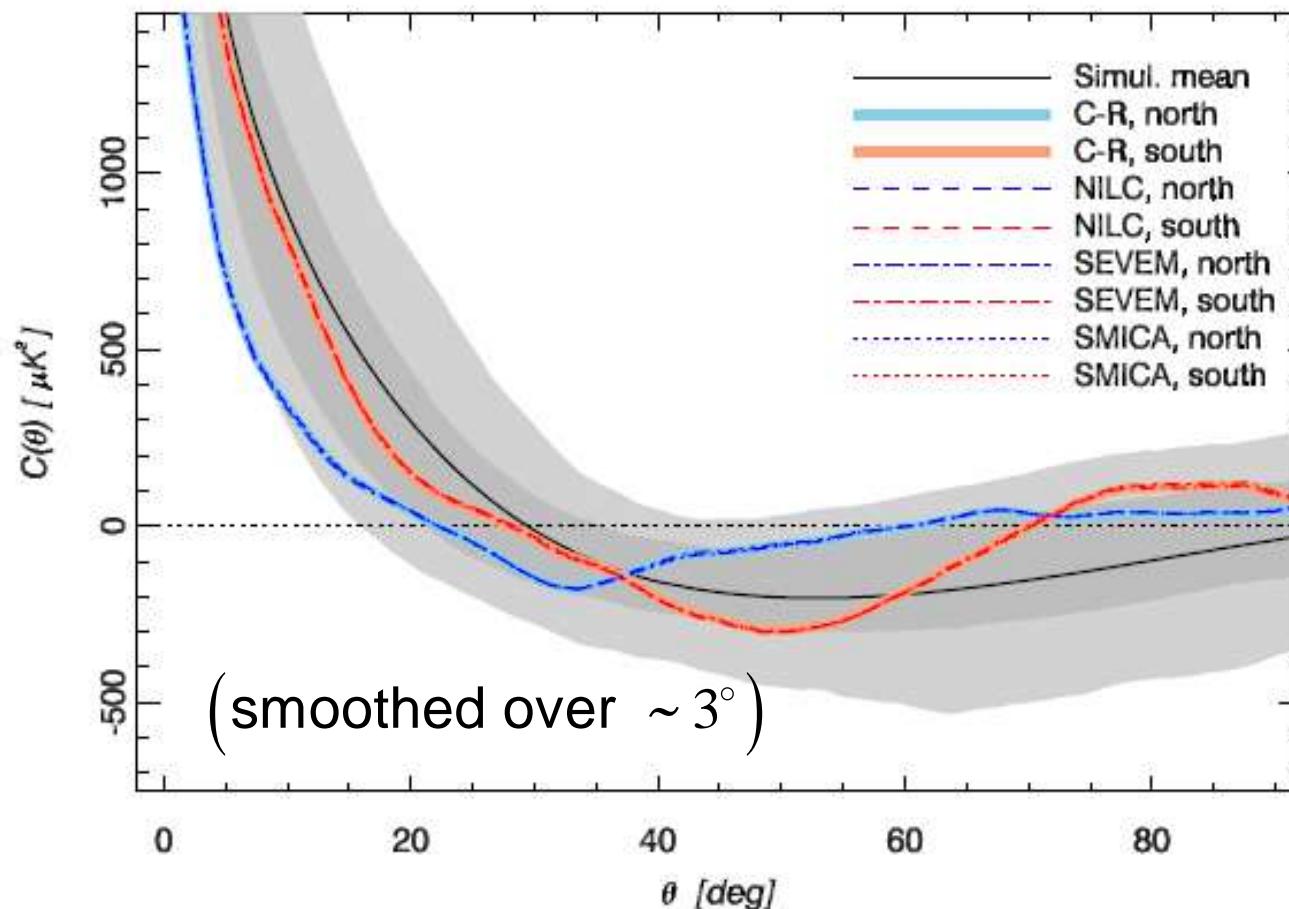
A  $\approx$  0.07

Data set	FWHM ["]	A	$(l,b)$ ["]	$A \ln \mathcal{L}$	Significance
Commander .....	5	$0.078^{+0.020}_{-0.021}$	$(227, -15) \pm 19$	8.8	$3.5\sigma$
NILC .....	5	$0.069^{+0.020}_{-0.021}$	$(226, -16) \pm 22$	7.1	$3.0\sigma$
SEVEM .....	5	$0.066^{+0.021}_{-0.021}$	$(227, -16) \pm 24$	6.7	$2.9\sigma$
SMICA .....	5	$0.065^{+0.021}_{-0.021}$	$(226, -17) \pm 24$	6.6	$2.9\sigma$
WMAP5 ILC .....	4.5	$0.072 \pm 0.022$	$(224, -22) \pm 24$	7.3	$3.3\sigma$
Commander .....	6	$0.076^{+0.024}_{-0.025}$	$(223, -16) \pm 25$	6.4	$2.8\sigma$
NILC .....	6	$0.062^{+0.025}_{-0.026}$	$(223, -19) \pm 38$	4.7	$2.3\sigma$
SEVEM .....	6	$0.060^{+0.025}_{-0.026}$	$(225, -19) \pm 40$	4.6	$2.2\sigma$
SMICA .....	6	$0.058^{+0.025}_{-0.027}$	$(223, -21) \pm 43$	4.2	$2.1\sigma$
Commander .....	7	$0.062^{+0.028}_{-0.030}$	$(223, -8) \pm 45$	4.0	$2.0\sigma$
NILC .....	7	$0.055^{+0.029}_{-0.030}$	$(225, -10) \pm 53$	3.4	$1.7\sigma$
SEVEM .....	7	$0.055^{+0.029}_{-0.030}$	$(226, -10) \pm 54$	3.3	$1.7\sigma$
SMICA .....	7	$0.048^{+0.029}_{-0.029}$	$(226, -11) \pm 58$	2.8	$1.5\sigma$
Commander .....	8	$0.043^{+0.032}_{-0.029}$	$(218, -15) \pm 62$	2.1	$1.2\sigma$
NILC .....	8	$0.049^{+0.032}_{-0.031}$	$(223, -16) \pm 59$	2.5	$1.4\sigma$
SEVEM .....	8	$0.050^{+0.032}_{-0.031}$	$(223, -15) \pm 60$	2.5	$1.4\sigma$
SMICA .....	8	$0.041^{+0.032}_{-0.029}$	$(225, -16) \pm 63$	2.0	$1.1\sigma$
Commander .....	9	$0.068^{+0.035}_{-0.037}$	$(210, -24) \pm 52$	3.3	$1.7\sigma$
NILC .....	9	$0.076^{+0.035}_{-0.037}$	$(216, -25) \pm 45$	3.9	$1.9\sigma$
SEVEM .....	9	$0.078^{+0.035}_{-0.037}$	$(215, -24) \pm 43$	4.0	$2.0\sigma$
SMICA .....	9	$0.070^{+0.035}_{-0.037}$	$(216, -25) \pm 50$	3.4	$1.8\sigma$
WMAP3 ILC .....	9	0.114	$(225, -27)$	6.1	$2.8\sigma$
Commander .....	10	$0.092^{+0.037}_{-0.040}$	$(215, -29) \pm 38$	4.5	$2.2\sigma$
NILC .....	10	$0.098^{+0.037}_{-0.039}$	$(217, -29) \pm 33$	5.0	$2.3\sigma$
SEVEM .....	10	$0.103^{+0.037}_{-0.039}$	$(217, -28) \pm 30$	5.4	$2.5\sigma$
SMICA .....	10	$0.094^{+0.037}_{-0.040}$	$(218, -29) \pm 37$	4.6	$2.2\sigma$

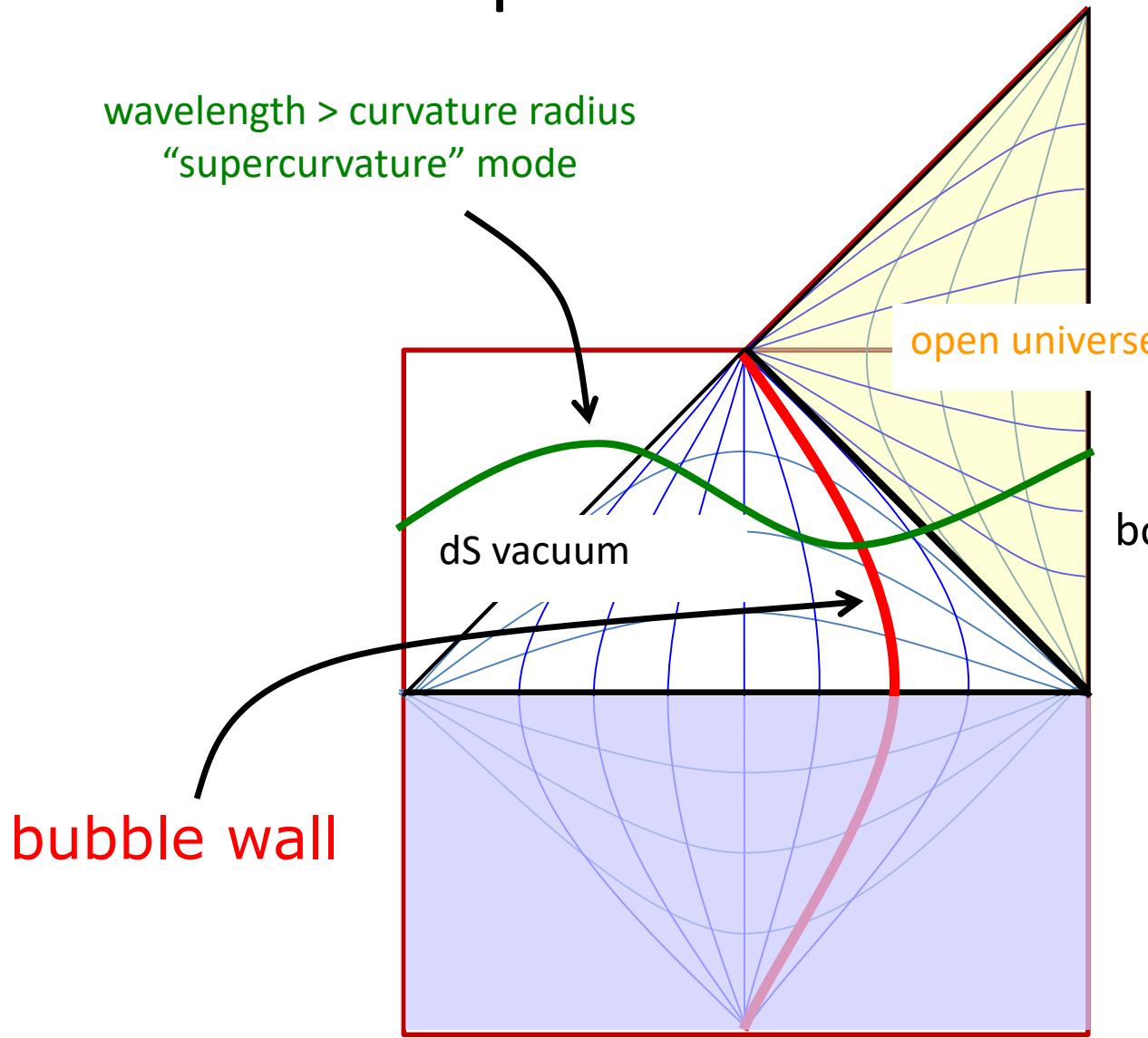
# asymmetry in angular 2-pt fcn.

Planck XIII 2013

## hemispherical asymmetry

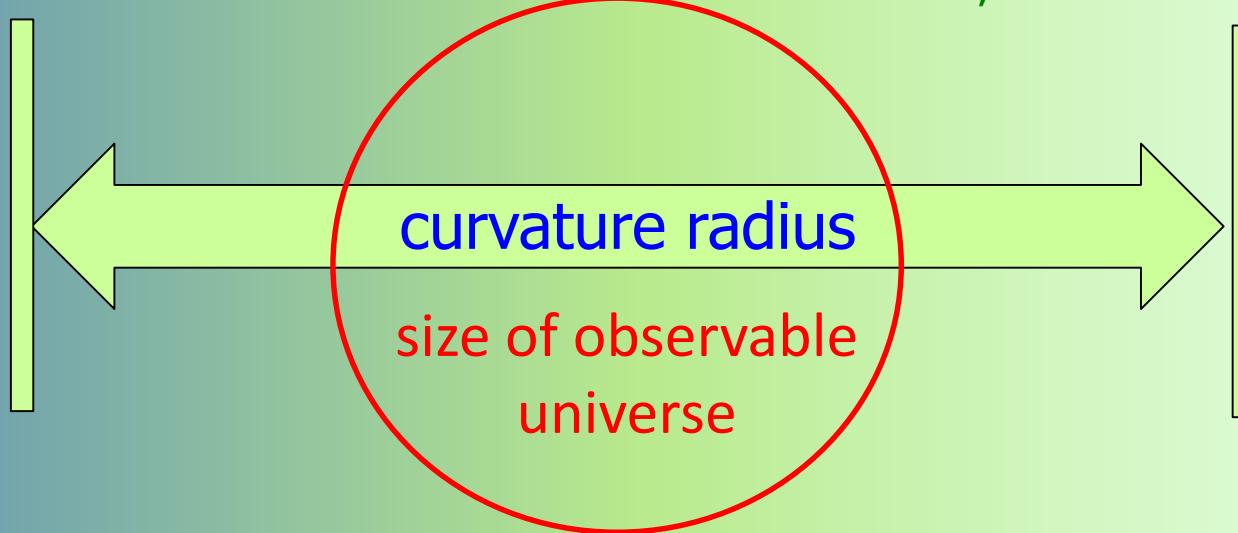


# creation of open universe & supercurvature mode



# Gradient of a field over the horizon scale = Super-curvature mode in open inflation

MS, Tanaka & Yamamoto '95



may modulate the amplitude of perturbation depending on the direction.

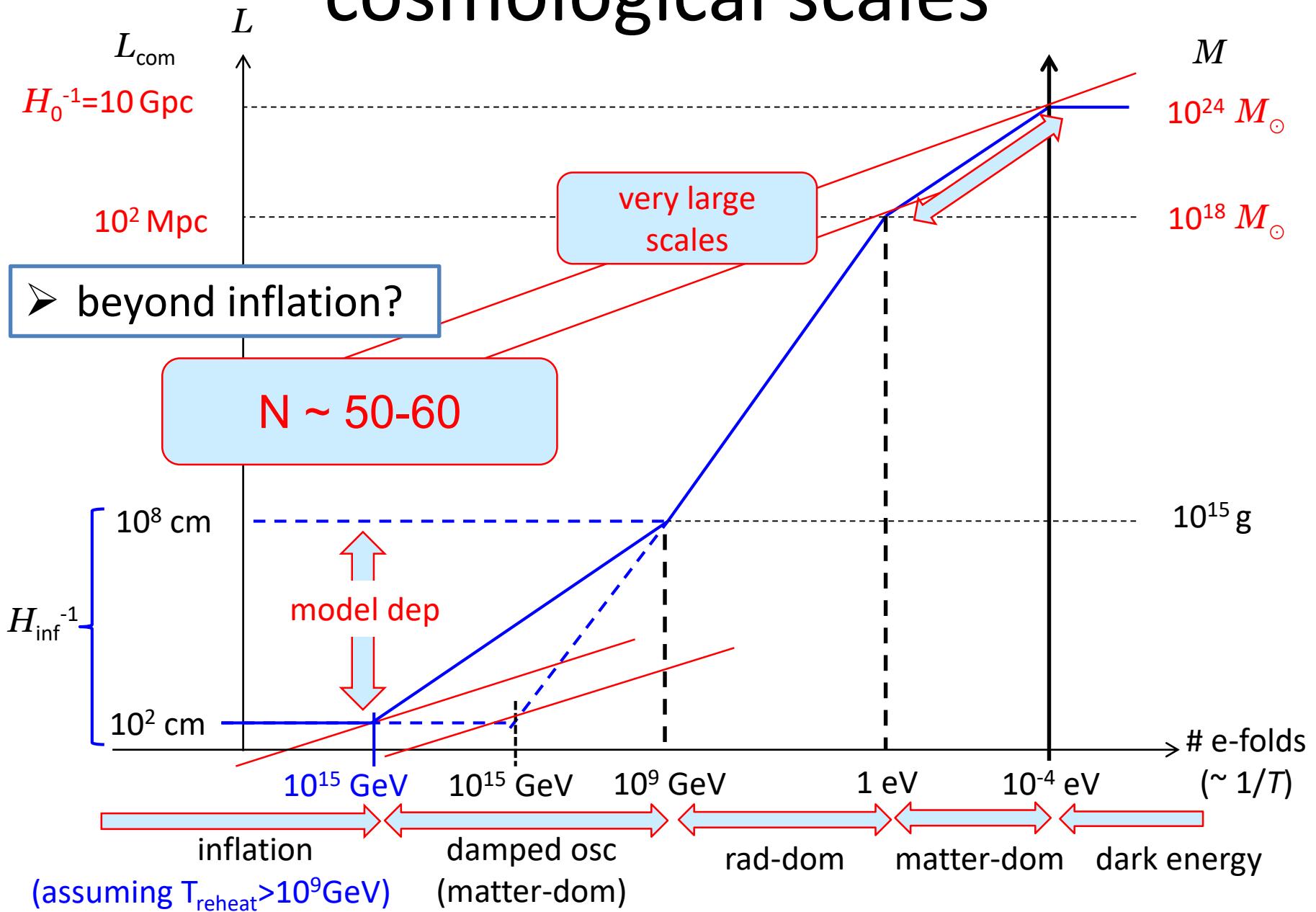
leading order effect is dipolar

if this is the case, then  $\Omega_K \gtrsim 10^{-3}$

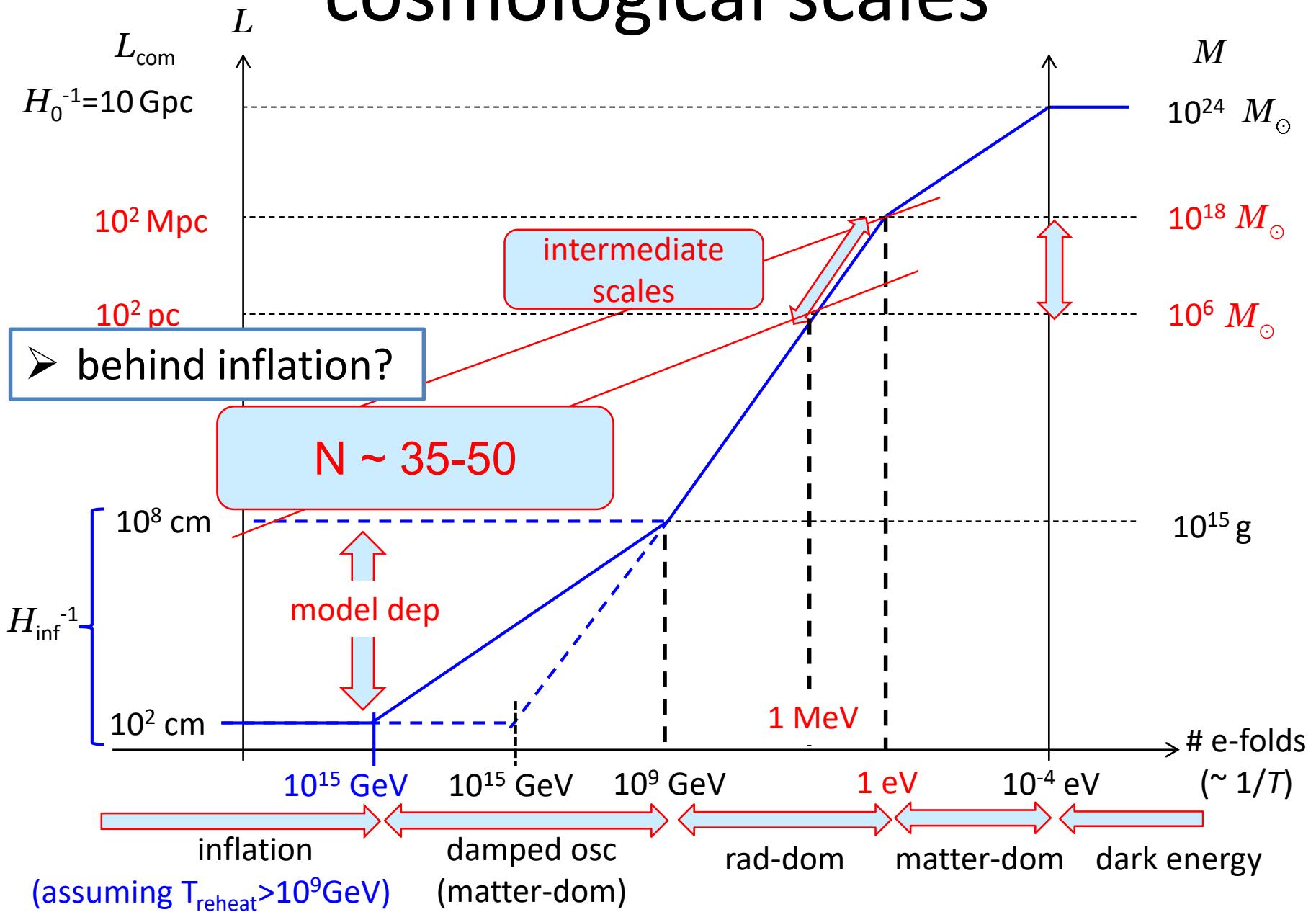
Kanno, MS & Tanaka '13  
Byrnes, Domenech, MS & Takahashi '16

# Future issues

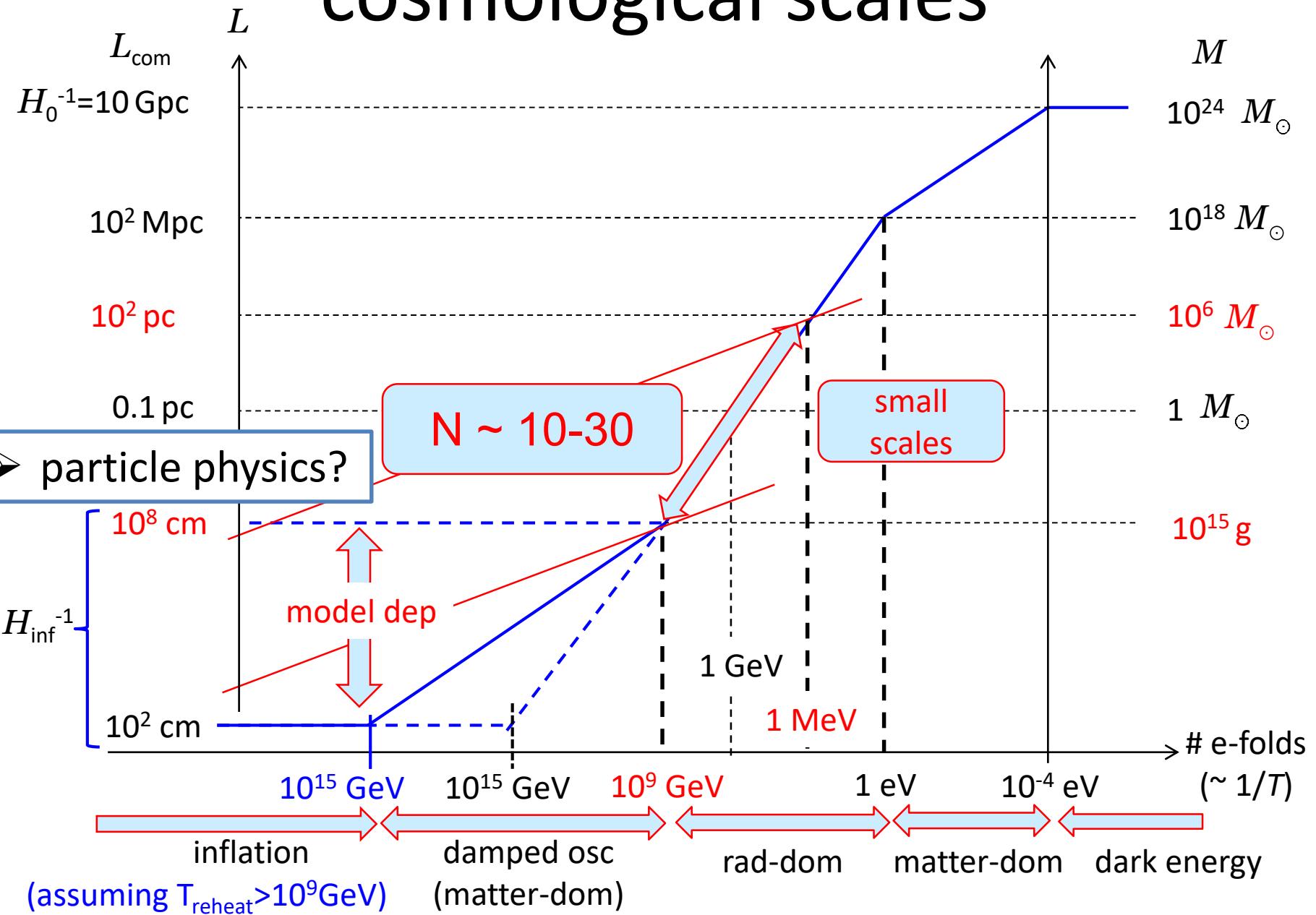
# cosmological scales



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- definition of inflation?  
(conformal trans can give any expansion law)

$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + a^2(t)d\vec{x}^2$$

Domenech & MS '15

$$d\tilde{s}^2 = \Omega^2(t)ds^2 \Rightarrow d\tilde{t} = \Omega(t)dt, \tilde{a}(\tilde{t}) = \Omega(t)a(t)$$

- initial condition before inflation, multiverse?
- successful reheating?
- gravitational waves at second order, PBHs?
- massive gravity?
- non-linear effects, non-Gaussianities?
- .....

Identification of Inflaton!

# Inflation as the tool to explore physics of the early Universe

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Observational Inflationary  
Cosmology!