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Motivations: (quantum) cosmology

Homogeneous & isotropic metric (FLRW) $ds^2 = -$

Hubble rate
$$H \equiv \frac{\dot{a}}{a}$$

Matter component: perfect fluid $T_{\mu\nu} = pg_{\mu\nu} + (\rho + \rho)$ Equation of state $p = w\rho$ \longrightarrow $\begin{cases} w = 0 & dust \\ w = \frac{1}{3} & radiation \end{cases}$

+cosmological constant = Einstein/Friedmann equations

$$\begin{cases} H^{2} + \frac{\mathscr{K}}{a^{2}} = \frac{1}{3} \left(8\pi G_{N} \rho + \Lambda \right) \\ \frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = \frac{1}{3} \left[\Lambda - 4\pi G_{N} \left(\rho + 3p \right) \right] \end{cases}$$

$$\mathrm{d}t^2 + a^2(t) \left[\frac{\mathrm{d}r^2}{1 - \mathcal{K}r^2} + r^2 \left(\mathrm{d}\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta \mathrm{d}\phi^2 \right) \right]$$

$$p) u_{\mu}u_{\nu}$$

Particular solution: dust and radiation

integrate conservation equation

 $\rho \left[a\left(t\right) \right] = \rho_{\text{ini}} \exp \left\{ -3 \int \left[1 + w(a) \right] \right\}$



$$\int d \ln a = \rho_{\text{ini}} \left(\frac{a}{a_{\text{ini}}}\right)^{-3(1+w)}$$

 $-\rho_{\Lambda} \propto a^0$

Phenomenologically valid description for 14 Gyrs!!!!







Numerical simulation for large scale structure formation...



A central problem (though not often formulated thus...): the singularity



Singularity problem...



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a quantum effect?

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Mutually incompatible

Predictions for a quantum theory

Quantum average of observable $\langle \Psi | \hat{\mathcal{O}} | \Psi \rangle$

laboratory: repeat experiment

ensemble average

cosmology: a single experiment









Quantum Cosmology

Hamiltonian GR (3+1)

$$\mathrm{d}s^2 = g_{\mu\nu}\mathrm{d}x^{\mu}\mathrm{d}x^{\nu} =$$



$$K_{ij} = -\nabla_j^{(h)} n_i = \frac{1}{2N} \left(\nabla_j^{(h)} N_i + \nabla_i^{(h)} N_j - \frac{\partial h_{ij}}{\partial t} \right)$$

Action (Einstein-Hilbert, compact space):

$$\mathcal{S} = \frac{1}{16\pi G_{N}} \left[\int_{\mathcal{M}} \sqrt{-g} (R - 2\Lambda) d^{4}x + 2 \right]$$
$$\mathcal{S} = \int L dt = \frac{1}{16\pi G_{N}} \int dt \left[\int d^{3}x N \sqrt{R} \right]$$

Canonical momenta

$$\pi^{ij} \equiv \frac{\delta L}{\delta \dot{h}_{ij}} = -\frac{\sqrt{h}}{16\pi G_{N}} \left(K^{ij} - h^{ij} K \right)$$
$$\pi^{\Phi} \equiv \frac{\delta L}{\delta \dot{\Phi}} = -\frac{\sqrt{h}}{N} \left(\dot{\Phi} - N \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial x^{i}} \right)$$

$$\pi^{0} \equiv \frac{\delta L}{\delta \dot{N}} = 0$$
$$\pi^{i} \equiv \frac{\delta L}{\delta \dot{N}^{i}} = 0$$

primary constraints

 $2\int_{\partial \mathcal{M}} \sqrt{hK^{i}}_{i} d^{3}x + \mathcal{S}_{matter} \left[\Phi(x)\right]$ $\sqrt{h} \left(K_{ij}K^{ij} - K^{2} + {}^{3}R - 2\Lambda\right) + L_{matter}$

Hamiltonian

$$H \equiv \int d^3x \left(\pi^0 \dot{N} + \pi^i \dot{N}_i + \pi^{ij} \dot{h}_{ij} + \pi^{ij} \dot{n}_{ij} + \pi^{ij} \dot{N}_i + n \mathcal{H} \right)$$
$$= \int d^3x \left(\pi^0 \dot{N} + \pi^i \dot{N}_i + N \mathcal{H} + N \mathcal{H} \right)$$

variation wrt lapse: $\mathcal{H} = 0 \longrightarrow$ Hamiltonian constraint variation wrt shift: $\mathcal{H}^i = 0 \longrightarrow$ momentum constraint

 \implies complete classical description

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$\pi^{\Phi}\dot{\Phi}$) – L

 $N_i \mathscr{H}^i$

Superspace & canonical quantisation

relevant configuration space Riem $(\Sigma) \equiv \begin{cases} h_i \end{cases}$

 $GR \implies invariance/diffeomorphisms \implies Conf = \frac{Riem(\Sigma)}{Diff(\Sigma)}$: Superspace

wave functional
$$\Psi \left[h_{ij}(x), \Phi(x) \right]$$

+ Dirac canonical quantisation procedure

$$\pi^{ij} \to -i\frac{\delta}{\delta h_{ii}}$$

 $\pi^{\Phi} \to -i \frac{\delta}{\delta \Phi}$

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momentum $\hat{H}^{i}\Psi = 0 \implies i \nabla_{j}^{(h)} \left(\frac{\delta\Psi}{\delta h_{ij}}\right) = 8\pi G_{N} \hat{T}^{0i}\Psi$

same Ψ for configurations related by a coordinate transformation

Hamiltonian
$$\hat{\mathscr{H}}\Psi = \begin{bmatrix} -16\pi G_{N}\mathscr{G}_{ijkl}\frac{\delta^{2}}{\delta h_{ij}\delta h_{kl}} + \frac{\sqrt{h}}{16\pi G_{N}}\left(-^{3}R + 2\Lambda + 16\pi G_{N}\hat{T}^{00}\right) \end{bmatrix}\Psi = 0$$

 $\mathscr{G}_{ijkl} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{h}}\left(h_{ik}h_{jl} + h_{il}h_{jk} - h_{ij}h_{kl}\right)$
Wheeler-De Witt equation

De Witt metric

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Minisuperspace

Restrict attention from an infinite dimensional configuration space to 2 dimensional space *= mini-superspace*

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WDW equation becomes Schrödinger-like for $\Psi[a(t), \phi(t)]$

Conceptual and technical problems:

Infinite number of dof \rightarrow a few: mathematical consistency? Freeze momenta? Heisenberg uncertainties? QM = minisuperspace of QFT

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Actually make calculations!

Exemple : Quantum cosmology of a perfect fluid

$$\mathrm{d}s^2 = N^2(\tau)\mathrm{d}\tau - a^2$$

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 $^{2}(\tau)\gamma_{ij}\mathrm{d}x^{i}\mathrm{d}x^{j}$

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rmalism ('70)
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canonical transformation: $T = -p_s e^{-s/s_0} p_{\varphi}^-$ + rescaling (volume...) + units...: simple Hamiltonian: $H = \left(-\frac{p_a^2}{4a} - \mathcal{K}a + \frac{p_T}{a^{3\omega}}\right)N$

$$(1+\omega)s_0\rho_0^{-\omega}$$
 ...

$$a^{3\omega}$$

Wheeler-De Witt



Wheeler-De Witt

$$\mathcal{K} = 0 \Longrightarrow \chi \equiv \frac{2a^{3(1-\omega)/2}}{3(1-\omega)} \Longrightarrow \left\{ i\frac{\partial\Psi}{\partial T} = \frac{1}{4}\frac{\partial^2\Psi}{\partial\chi^2} \right\}$$

 $\bar{\Psi}\frac{\partial\Psi}{\partial\chi} = \Psi\frac{\partial\bar{\Psi}}{\partial\chi}$ space defined by $\chi > 0$ — constraint

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Gaussian wave packet

$$= \sum \Psi = \left[\frac{8T_0}{\pi \left(T_0^2 + T^2\right)^2} \right]^{\frac{1}{4}} \exp\left(-\frac{T_0\chi^2}{T_0^2 + T^2}\right) e^{-iS(\chi,T)}$$
phase $S = \frac{T\chi^2}{T_0^2 + T^2} + \frac{1}{2} \arctan\frac{T_0}{T} - \frac{\pi}{4}$

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 $H\Psi=0$

What do we do with the wave function of the Universe???

The measurement problem in quantum mechanics



Preferred basis: no unique definition of measured observables

Definite outcome: we don't measure superpositions

- collapse of the wave function

The measurement problem in quantum mechanics





Stern-Gerlach

The measurement problem in quantum mechanics Statistical mixture $\left\{ \left|\uparrow\right\rangle\otimes\left|\mathrm{SG}_{\uparrow}\right\rangle \right\} \cup\left\{ \left|\downarrow\right\rangle\otimes\left|\mathrm{SG}_{\downarrow}\right\rangle \right\}$





Stern-Gerlach


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What about the Universe itself?





- **Superselection rules** Modal interpretation
- **Consistent** histories
- Many worlds / many minds
- Hidden variables
- Modified Schrödinger dynamics

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A. Bassi & G.C. Ghirardi, Phys. Rep. 379, 257 (2003)



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Trajectory approach to QM

(1) ordinary QM

Schrödinger equation

$$i\hbar\frac{\partial\Psi}{\partial t} = \left[-\frac{\hbar^2\nabla^2}{2m} +\right]$$

Polar form of the wave function $\Psi = A(\mathbf{r}, t) e^{iS(\mathbf{r}, t)/\hbar}$

Modified Hamilton-Jacobi equation

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial t} + \frac{\left(\nabla S\right)^2}{2m}$$



Trajectory approach to QM Ontological *formulation* (dBB)

 $\exists r(t)$ trajectory satisfying (de Broglie pilot wave eq.)

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 $\Psi = A\left(\boldsymbol{r}, t\right) e^{iS(\boldsymbol{r}, t)}$

$m\frac{\mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{r}}{\mathrm{d}t} = \Im m\frac{\Psi^{\star}\boldsymbol{\nabla}\Psi}{|\Psi(\boldsymbol{r},t)|^2} = \boldsymbol{\nabla}S(\boldsymbol{r},t)$

Trajectory approach to QM Ontological *formulation* (BdB)

 $\exists \mathbf{r}(t)$ trajectory satisfying (Bojm modified dynamics)



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- state dependent
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"Bohr brainwashed a whole generation of physicists" into thinking that the job was done 50 years ago." Murray Gell-Mann

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average reconstructed trajectories (single photons) weak measurements S. Kocsis et al., *Science* **332**, 1170 (2011)

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Gaussian wave pac

Use dBB trajectory in mini superspace!

 $x \iff a$ scale factor

phase

 $a = a_0 | 1$

$$= \sqrt[4]{\frac{8t_0}{\pi (t_0^2 + t^2)^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{t_0 x^2}{t_0^2 + t^2}\right) e^{-iS(x,t)}$$

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$$+\left(\frac{t}{t_0}\right)^2\right]^{\frac{1}{3(1-w)}}$$

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A simple Bianchi I model

 $w \equiv p/\rho = \frac{1}{3}$ + (radiation) fluid / constant equation of state

conformal time choice $N \rightarrow a$ $t \to \eta$

GR Hamiltonian

Canonical commutation relations $[\hat{a}, \hat{\Pi}_{a}] = [\hat{\beta}_{+}, \hat{p}_{+}] = i$

Rescaling:

$$\hat{H} = \hat{\Pi}_a^2 - \left(\hat{p}_-^2 + \hat{p}_+^2\right)\hat{a}^{-2}$$

 $ds^{2} = -N^{2}(t)dt^{2} + \sum a_{i}^{2}(t) (dx^{i})^{2}$

Hilbert space
$$\mathbb{H}$$

 $\mathbb{H} \sim \left\{ f(a, p_+, p_-) \in \mathbb{C}; \int_0^\infty \mathrm{d}a \int_{-\infty}^\infty \mathrm{d}p_+ \right\}$

Wave function

$$\Psi(a, p_+, p_-) = \int_0^\infty d\ell \int_{-\infty}^\infty d\beta_+ \int_{-\infty}^\infty d\beta_-$$

mixed representation for the wave function $\hat{a}\Psi = a\Psi$ $\hat{p}_{\pm}\Psi = p_{\pm}\Psi$ $\hat{\Pi}_{a} = -i\partial/\partial a$ $\hat{\beta}_{+} = i\partial/\partial p_{+}$

 $\left\{ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathrm{d}p_{-} \left| f(a, p_{+}, p_{-}) \right|^{2} < \infty \right\}$

eigenvalue equation $\hat{H}\Psi = \ell^2 \Psi$ \longrightarrow $-\frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{U}_{\ell}^{(k)}}{\partial r^2} - \frac{k^2}{4r^2} \mathcal{U}_{\ell}^{(k)} = \ell^2 \mathcal{U}_{\ell}^{(k)}$

 $\tilde{\Psi}(\ell,\beta_+,\beta_-)e^{i(\beta_+p_++\beta_-p_-)}\mathcal{U}_{\ell}^{(k)}(a)$

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Wave function

$$\Psi(a, p_+, p_-) = \int_0^\infty \mathrm{d}\ell \int_{-\infty}^\infty \mathrm{d}\beta_+ \int_{-\infty}^\infty \mathrm{d}\beta_- \tilde{\Psi}(\ell, \beta_+, \beta_-) \mathrm{e}^{i(\beta_+ p_+ + \beta_- p_-)} \mathcal{U}_\ell^{(k)}(a)$$

on

$$\hat{a}\Psi = a\Psi$$

$$\hat{p}_{\pm}\Psi = p_{\pm}\Psi$$

$$\hat{\Pi}_{a} = -i\partial/\partial a$$

$$\hat{\beta}_{\pm} = i\partial/\partial p_{\pm}$$

$$- \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{U}_{\ell}^{(k)}}{\partial a^2} - \frac{k^2}{4a^2} \mathcal{U}_{\ell}^{(k)} = \ell^2 \mathcal{U}_{\ell}^{(k)}$$
$$k^2 \equiv 4(p_+^2 + p_-^2)$$

Self-adjoint Hamiltonian

automatically satisfied if

$$\int da d^2 p (H\Psi)$$

$$u = rac{1}{2}\sqrt{1-k^2}$$
 general solution for the energy $\mathcal{U}_\ell^{(k)}(a) = c_+\sqrt{a\ell}J_
u(a\ell)$

Linear fluid momentum

$$\hat{P}_{\text{fluid}} = -i\partial_{\eta}$$

Schrödinger

Evolution operator

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 $^{*}\Psi = \int \mathrm{d}a \,\mathrm{d}^{2}p \,\Psi^{*} \left(H\Psi\right)$

 $\int_0 \mathrm{d}a \,\mathcal{U}_{\ell}^{(k)*}(a)\mathcal{U}_{\ell'}^{(k)}(a) = \delta(\ell - \ell')$

$$\int_0^\infty \mathrm{d}\ell \int_{-\infty}^\infty \mathrm{d}\beta_+ \int_{-\infty}^\infty \mathrm{d}\beta_- |\tilde{\Psi}(\ell,\beta_\pm)|^2 \ell^2 < \infty$$

 $\int \frac{d}{dr} \frac{d}{dr}$

$$i\frac{\partial U}{\partial \eta} = \hat{H}U$$

Initial gaussian wave function

$$\Psi_0(a) = \langle a, p_{\pm} | \Psi_0 \rangle = \frac{2^{(1-2\alpha)/4} a^{\alpha}}{\sigma^{\alpha+1/2} \sqrt{\Gamma\left(\alpha + \frac{1}{2}\right)}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}a^2\left(\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} - i\mathcal{H}_{\text{ini}}\right)\right]$$

Propagator $G(a, p_{\pm}, a_0, p_{\pm}^0) \equiv \langle a,$ $=\delta^{(2)}$

+ regularisation $\widetilde{\Delta \eta} = \Delta \eta (1 + i\epsilon)$

$$G(a, a_0; \eta) = -\frac{i\sqrt{aa_0}}{2\widetilde{\Delta\eta}} e^{\frac{i}{4}(a^2 + a_0^2)/\widetilde{\Delta\eta} - i\alpha\pi/2} J_{\nu} \left(\frac{aa_0}{2\widetilde{\Delta\eta}}\right)$$

dBB trajectory $\frac{\mathrm{d}a}{\mathrm{d}\eta} = \frac{\partial S}{\partial a} = \frac{i}{2|\Psi|^2} \left(\Psi^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)$

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with S. Vitenti

$$(p_{\pm}|U|a_0, p_{\pm}^0)$$

 $(p_{\pm} - p_{\pm}') \int_0^{\infty} d\ell \, e^{-i\ell^2 \Delta \eta} \mathcal{U}_{\ell}^{(k)}(a) \mathcal{U}_{\ell}^{(k)*}(a')$

$$\frac{\partial \Psi^*}{\partial a} - \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial a} \Psi^* \bigg)$$

 $\frac{1}{2}$ ${\cal V}$ 0.6 0.5 (FLRW) $\eta = 0$ 0.4 0.2 0.1 0.0 0.6 0.5 $\eta = 4$ 0.4 $|\Psi|^2$ 0.3 0.2 0.1 0.0⊾ 0 5 10 15 20 a

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Quantum equilibrium (Valentini & Westman, 2005)

Particle in a box - 2D

Density of actual configurations $\rho(x, y, t) \implies \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\rho \dot{x}\right)$

Energy eigenfunctions $\phi_{mn}(x,y) = \frac{2}{\pi} \sin(mx) \sin(ny)$ Energy levels $E_{mn} = \frac{1}{2} \left(m^2 + n^2 \right)$

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$$0 + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\rho \dot{y}\right) = 0$$

continuity equation

Initial configuration





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 $\psi(x, y, 0) = \sum_{m, n=1}^{4} \frac{1}{4} \phi_{mn}(x, y) \exp(i\theta_{mn})$

 $\psi(x, y, t) = \sum_{m,n=1}^{4} \frac{1}{4} \phi_{mn}(x, y) \exp i(\theta_{mn} - E_{mn}t)$



Typical quantum trajectory...

Close-up of a trajectory near a node



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Dynamical evolutions



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Back to cosmology



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quantum vacuum fluctuations

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Lagrangian formulation...

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$$(\eta) \mathrm{e}^{i m{k} \cdot m{x}}$$

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Hamiltonian

$$H = \int \mathrm{d}^{3}\boldsymbol{k} \left\{ p_{\boldsymbol{k}} p_{\boldsymbol{k}}^{*} + v_{\boldsymbol{k}} v_{\boldsymbol{k}}^{*} \left[k^{2} \right] \right\}$$

collection of parametric oscillators with time dependent frequency

factorization of the full wave function $\Psi \left[v(\eta, \boldsymbol{x}) \right] = \prod \Psi_{\boldsymbol{k}} \left(v_{\boldsymbol{k}}^{\mathrm{R}}, v_{\boldsymbol{k}}^{\mathrm{I}} \right) = \prod \Psi_{\boldsymbol{k}}^{\mathrm{R}} \left(v_{\boldsymbol{k}}^{\mathrm{R}} \right) \Psi_{\boldsymbol{k}}^{\mathrm{I}} \left(v_{\boldsymbol{k}}^{\mathrm{I}} \right)$ $i\frac{\Psi_{\boldsymbol{k}}^{\mathrm{R},\mathrm{I}}}{\partial\eta} = \hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\boldsymbol{k}}^{\mathrm{R},\mathrm{I}}\Psi_{\boldsymbol{k}}^{\mathrm{R},\mathrm{I}}$ $\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\boldsymbol{k}}^{\mathrm{R,I}} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \left(v_{\boldsymbol{k}}^{\mathrm{R,I}}\right)^2} + \frac{1}{2} \omega^2(\eta, \boldsymbol{k}) \left(\hat{v}_{\boldsymbol{k}}^{\mathrm{R,I}}\right)^2$

 $\omega^{2}\left(\eta,oldsymbol{k}
ight)$ $\frac{\left(a\sqrt{\epsilon_1}\right)''}{a\sqrt{\epsilon_2}}$

- real and imaginary parts



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and
$$\omega^2(\mathbf{k},\eta) = k^2 - \frac{(a\sqrt{\epsilon_1})''}{a\sqrt{\epsilon_1}}$$

$$=k^2 - \frac{\beta(\beta+1)}{\eta^2}$$

Parametric Oscillator System

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 $i\frac{\mathrm{d}|\Psi_{\boldsymbol{k}}\rangle}{\mathrm{d}\eta} = \hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\boldsymbol{k}}|\Psi_{\boldsymbol{k}}\rangle \quad \text{Power-law inflation example}$ $\hat{v}_{k} = v_{k}$ $\hat{p}_{k} = i \frac{\partial}{\partial v_{k}}$ $-\eta)^{1+\beta}$ $a(\eta) = \ell_0(\beta \leq -2$ (de Sitter: $\beta = -2$)

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Evaluated at the end of inflation($k\eta \rightarrow 0^-$), this

and eventually
$$P_{\zeta}(k) = \frac{1}{2a^2 M_{\rm Pl}^2 \epsilon_1} P_v(k) = A_S$$

with
$$n_{\rm S} = 2\beta + 5 \underset{\beta \sim -2}{\simeq} 1$$

Planck: $1 - n_{\rm s} = 0.0389 \pm 0.0054$

gives
$$P_v(k) = \frac{k^3}{2\pi^3} \left(\langle \hat{v}_k^2 \rangle - \langle \hat{v}_k \rangle^2 \right)$$



Planck + ACT + SPT data



Theoretical prediction (quantum vacuum fluctuations)

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Out-of-equilibrium time evolution

- Usual behaviour = evolves towards equilibrium (Minkowski or slowly expanding Universe)
- Inflation: there is a retarded time... 0



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Freezing the pdf out of equilibrium



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$$H \equiv \int \mathrm{d}q \,\rho \ln\left(\frac{\rho}{|\Psi|^2}\right)$$

measures "out-of-equilibrium-ness"



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Initial out-of-equilibrium conditions



width deficit



 $\mathcal{P}(k) = \mathcal{P}(k)_{\mathrm{QE}} \xi(k)$











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