

# Density Perturbations from Inflation

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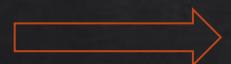
# Horizon Problem

FLRW metric     $ds^2 = dt^2 - a^2(t)[d\chi^2 + S_k^2(\chi)d\Omega^2]$

$$S_k(\chi) = \begin{cases} \sinh \chi & k = -1 \\ \chi & k = 0 \\ \sin \chi & k = +1 \end{cases}$$

$$d\Omega^2 = d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\phi^2$$

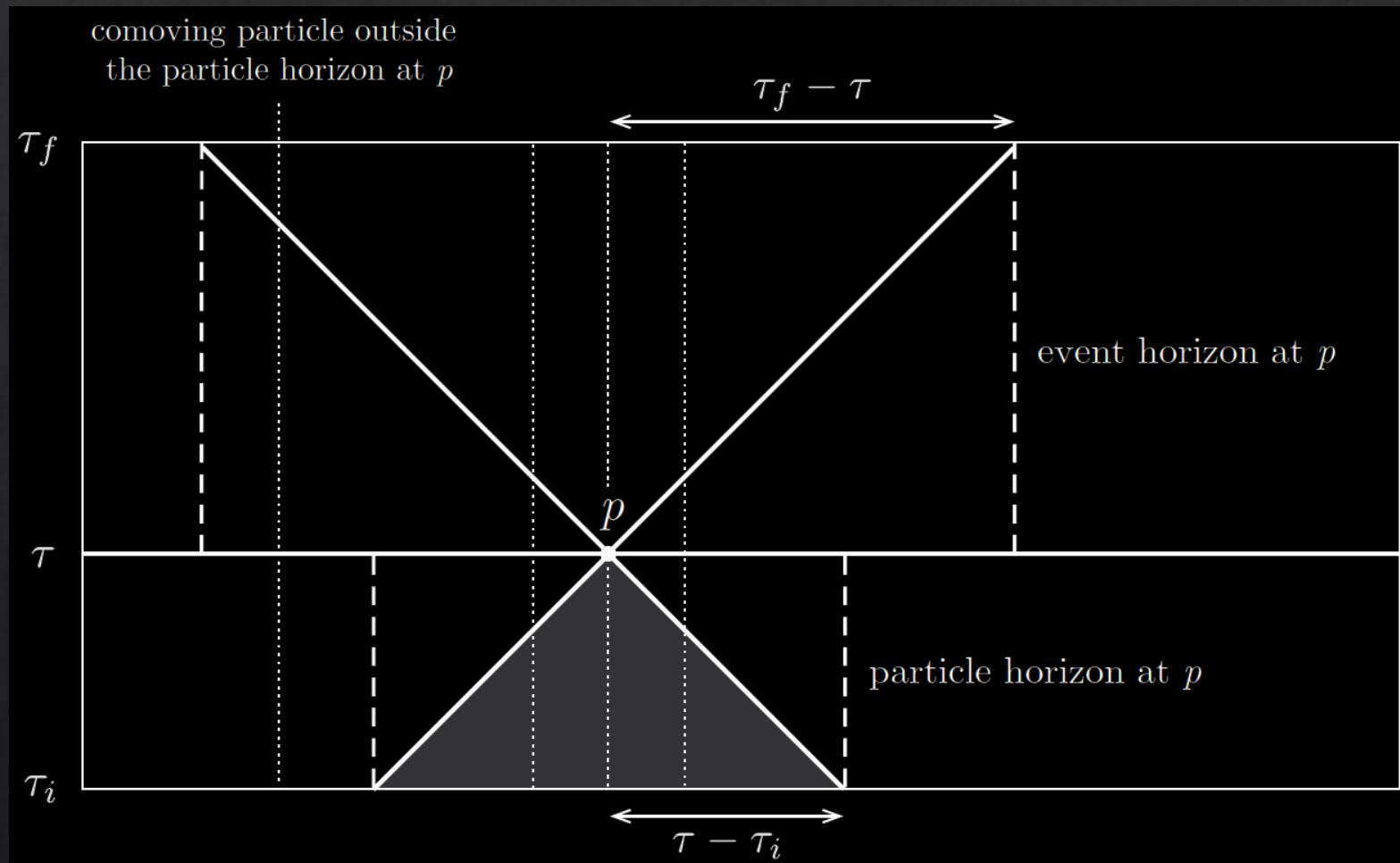
$$d\tau = \frac{dt}{a(t)}$$



$$ds^2 = a^2(\tau)[d\tau^2 - d\chi^2]$$

$$\Delta\chi(\tau) = \pm\Delta\tau$$

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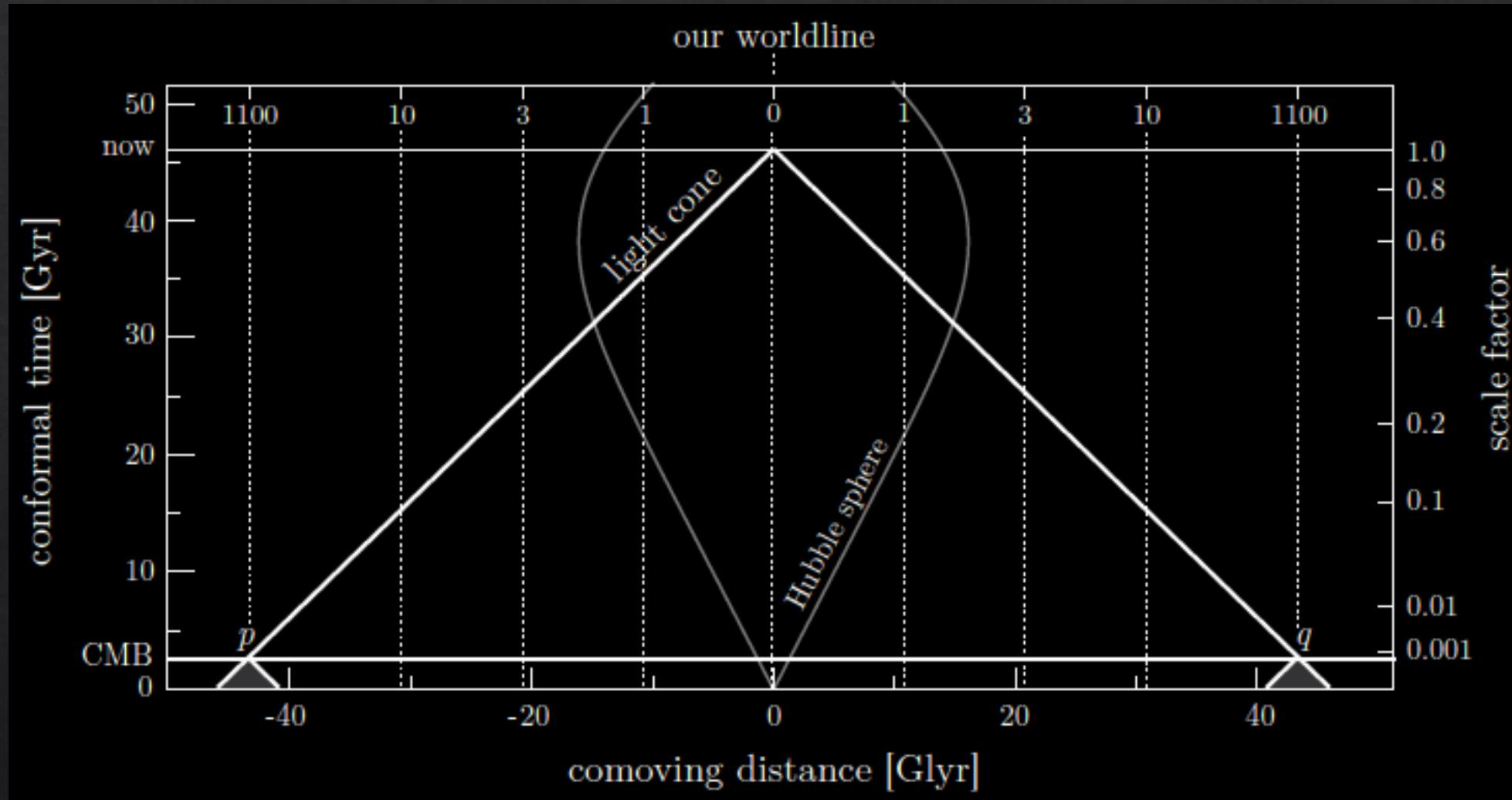
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Particle horizon

$$\chi_{ph} = \tau - \tau_i = \int_{t_i}^t \frac{dt}{a} = \int_{a_i}^a \frac{da}{a\dot{a}} = \int_{\ln a_i}^{\ln a} (aH)^{-1} d\ln a$$

$$(aH)^{-1} = H_0^{-1} a^{\frac{1}{2}(1+3w)}$$
$$\xrightarrow{\dot{a} > 0 \quad 1 + 3w > 0} \quad \frac{d(aH)^{-1}}{dt} = H_0^{-1} \frac{1}{2} (1 + 3w) a^{-\frac{1}{2}(1+3w)} \dot{a} > 0$$
$$\tau_i = \frac{2H_0^{-1}}{(1 + 3w)} a_i^{\frac{1}{2}(1+3w)} \xrightarrow{w > -\frac{1}{3}} 0$$

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Shrinking Hubble sphere

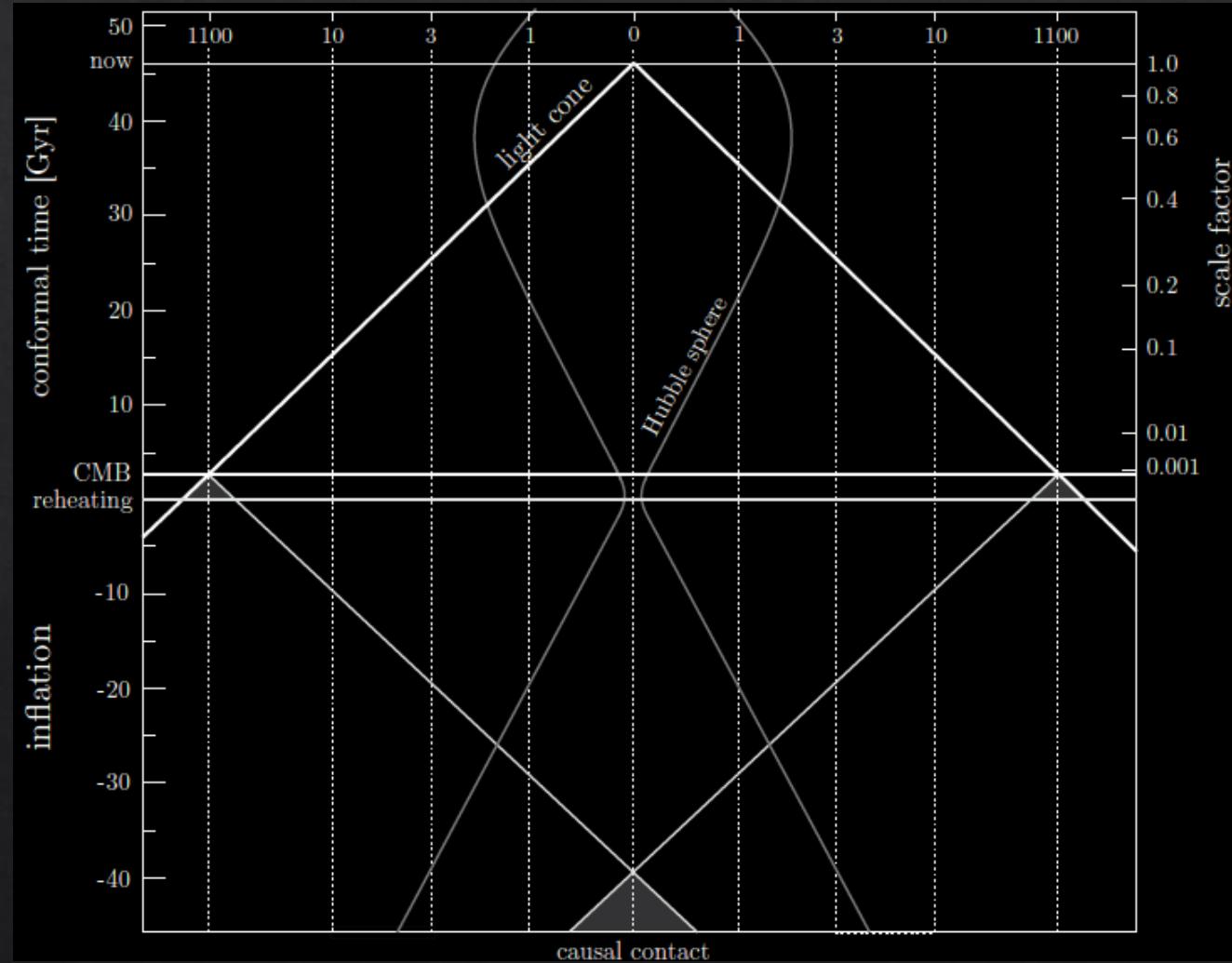
$$\frac{d(aH)^{-1}}{dt} < 0$$

$$\frac{d(aH)^{-1}}{dt} = H_0^{-1} \frac{1}{2} (1 + 3w) a^{-\frac{1}{2}(1+3w)} \dot{a} \Rightarrow 1 + 3w < 0$$

$$\chi_{ph} = \tau - \tau_i = \int_{t_i}^t \frac{dt}{a} = \int_{a_i}^a \frac{da}{a \dot{a}} = \int_{\ln a_i}^{\ln a} (aH)^{-1} d \ln a$$

$$\tau_i = \frac{2H_0^{-1}}{(1+3w)} a_i^{\frac{1}{2}(1+3w)} \xrightarrow[a_i \rightarrow 0]{w > -\frac{1}{3}} -\infty$$

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# Conditions for Inflation

Accelerated Expansion

$$\frac{d(aH)^{-1}}{dt} = \frac{d(\dot{a})^{-1}}{dt} = -\frac{\ddot{a}}{\dot{a}^2} < 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \ddot{a} > 0$$

Slowly-varying Hubble parameter

$$\frac{d(aH)^{-1}}{dt} = \frac{\dot{a}H + a\dot{H}}{dt} = -\frac{1}{a}(1 - \varepsilon) < 0 \quad \varepsilon = \frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} < 1$$

$$\varepsilon = -\frac{dH}{H} \frac{1}{H dt} = -\frac{d \ln H}{dN} < 1$$

$$\eta = -\frac{d \ln \varepsilon}{dN} = \frac{\dot{\varepsilon}}{H\varepsilon} = -\frac{d \ln H}{dN} \quad |\eta| < 1$$

# Conditions for Inflation

Quasi-de Sitter Expansion

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} = 0 \Rightarrow H = \text{const}$$

$$H = \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \Leftrightarrow \dot{a} = aH \Rightarrow a = e^{Ht} \Rightarrow a^2 = e^{2Ht}$$

$$ds^2 = dt^2 - e^{2Ht} dx^2$$

# Scalar Field Dynamics

Inflaton

$$\phi(t, x) = \bar{\phi}(t) = \phi$$

Pressure

$$P_\phi = \frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2 - V(\phi)$$

$$w_\phi = \frac{P_\phi}{\rho_\phi} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2 - V(\phi)}{\frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2 + V(\phi)} < -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$V(\phi) > \frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2$$

Energy density

$$\rho_\phi = \frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2 + V(\phi)$$

Friedmann equation

$$H^2 = \frac{\rho_\phi}{3M_{\text{pl}}^2} = \frac{1}{3M_{\text{pl}}^2} \left( \frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2 + V(\phi) \right)$$

Klein-Gordon

$$\ddot{\phi} = 3H\dot{\phi} + V_{,\phi}$$

# Quantum fluctuations during Inflation

Inflaton perturbation

$$\phi(t, \mathbf{x}) = \bar{\phi}(t) + \delta\phi(t, \mathbf{x})$$

Curvature perturbation

$$\mathcal{R} = C - \frac{1}{3}\nabla^2 E + \mathcal{H}(B + v)$$

spatially flat gauge:

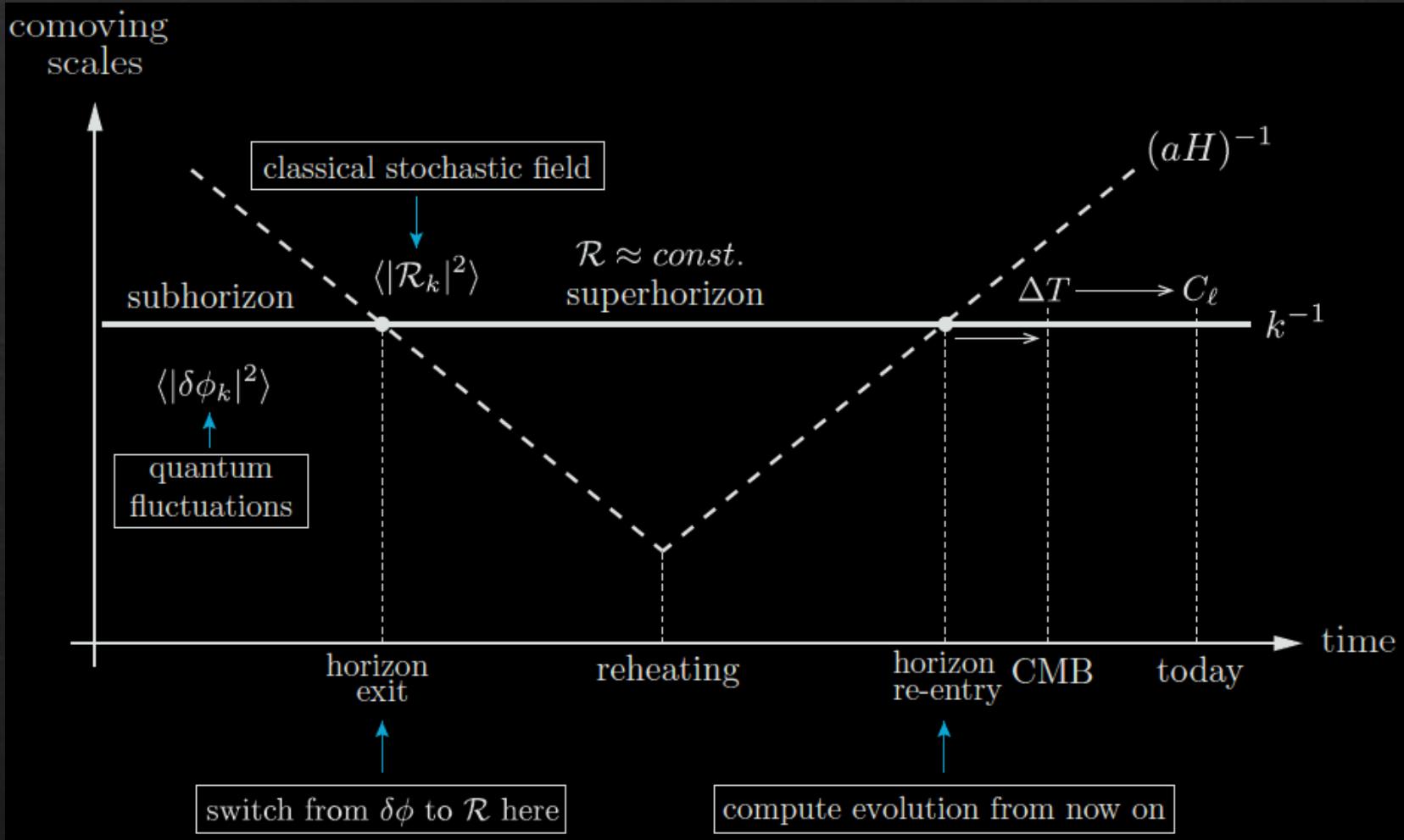
$$C = E = 0$$

$$\mathcal{R} = \mathcal{H}(B + v)$$

$$B + v = -\frac{\delta\phi}{\bar{\phi}'}$$

$$\langle |\mathcal{R}_k|^2 \rangle = \left( \frac{\mathcal{H}}{\bar{\phi}'} \right)^2 \langle |\delta\phi_k|^2 \rangle \quad \longleftarrow \quad \mathcal{R} = -\frac{\mathcal{H}}{\bar{\phi}'} \delta\phi$$

# Quantum fluctuations during Inflation



# Classical Oscillators

Metric perturbation

$$g_{\mu\nu}(t, \mathbf{x}) = \bar{g}_{\mu\nu}(t) + \delta g_{\mu\nu}(t, \mathbf{x})$$

spatially flat gauge:

$$C = E = 0 \quad \xrightarrow{\hspace{1cm}} \quad$$

$$g_{\mu\nu}(t, \mathbf{x}) = \bar{g}_{\mu\nu}(t)$$

Flat and unperturbed  
FLRW metric

$$ds^2 = a^2(\tau)[d\tau^2 - \delta_{ij}dx^i dx^j]$$

$$\phi(\tau, \mathbf{x}) = \bar{\phi}(t) + \frac{\delta\phi(t, \mathbf{x})}{a(\tau)}$$

Scalar field action

$$S = \int d\tau d^3x \sqrt{-g} \left[ \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - V(\phi) \right] \quad \text{using}$$

$$V(\phi) = V(\bar{\phi}) + V_{,\phi} \frac{f}{a} + V_{,\phi\phi} \left( \frac{f}{a} \right)^2$$

$$S^{(2)} = \int d\tau d^3x a^4 \left[ \frac{1}{2a^2} \left( f^2 \frac{a'^2}{a^4} + \frac{f'^2}{a^2} - 2f'f \frac{a'}{a^3} \right) - \frac{1}{2a^4} (\nabla f)^2 - V_{,\phi\phi} \frac{f^2}{a^2} \right] \approx \int d\tau d^3x \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \left[ (f')^2 - (\nabla f)^2 + \frac{a''}{a} f^2 \right]}_{\mathcal{L}}$$

$\mathcal{L}$

# Classical Oscillators

$$\partial_\mu \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial(\partial_\mu f)} \right) - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial f} = 0 \quad \xrightarrow{\hspace{1cm}} \quad f'' - \nabla^2 f - \frac{a''}{a} f = 0 \quad \xrightarrow{\substack{f \rightarrow f_k \\ \nabla^2 f_k = -k^2 f_k}} \quad f''_k + \left( k^2 - \frac{a''}{a} \right) f_k = 0$$

Mukhanov-Sasaki Equation

# Canonical Quantisation

Conjugate momentum

$$\pi = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial f'} = f'$$

To operators

$$\begin{aligned} f(\tau, \mathbf{x}) &\rightarrow \hat{f}(\tau, \mathbf{x}) \\ \pi(\tau, \mathbf{x}) &\rightarrow \hat{\pi}(\tau, \mathbf{x}) \end{aligned} \quad \longrightarrow \quad [\hat{f}(\tau, \mathbf{x}), \hat{\pi}(\tau, \mathbf{x}')]=i\delta(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}')$$

In Fourier space

$$[\hat{f}_{\mathbf{k}}(\boldsymbol{\tau}), \hat{\pi}_{\mathbf{k}'}(\boldsymbol{\tau})] = \int \frac{d^3x}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int \frac{d^3x'}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} [\hat{f}(\tau, \mathbf{x}), \hat{\pi}(\tau, \mathbf{x}')] e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} e^{-i\mathbf{k}'\cdot\mathbf{x}'} = i\delta(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{k}')$$

$$\hat{f}_{\mathbf{k}}(\tau) = f_k(\tau)\hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}} + f_k^*(\tau)\hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger$$

$$-i(f_k \partial_\tau f_k^* - (\partial_\tau f_k) f_k^*) \times [\hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}}, \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}'}^\dagger] = i\delta(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{k}') \Rightarrow [\hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}}, \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}'}^\dagger] = i\delta(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{k}')$$

Wronskian = 1

# Vacuum State

Quasi-de Sitter Expansion

$$H \approx \text{const} \Rightarrow a \approx e^{Ht} \Rightarrow \frac{a''}{a} \approx \frac{2}{\tau^2} \quad \tau \rightarrow -\infty \quad f''_k + k^2 f_k \approx 0$$

Initial condition

$$\lim_{\tau \rightarrow \infty} f_k(\tau) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2k}} e^{-ik\tau}$$

$$f_k(\tau) = \alpha \frac{e^{-ik\tau}}{\sqrt{2k}} \left(1 - \frac{i}{k\tau}\right) + \beta \frac{e^{ik\tau}}{\sqrt{2k}} \left(1 + \frac{i}{k\tau}\right)$$

$\xrightarrow{\alpha = 1, \beta = 0}$

$$f_k(\tau) = \frac{e^{-ik\tau}}{\sqrt{2k}} \left(1 - \frac{i}{k\tau}\right)$$

# Zero-point Fluctuations

$$\hat{f}(\tau, \mathbf{x}) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \hat{f}_{\mathbf{k}}(\tau) e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} [f_k(\tau) \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}} + f_k^*(\tau) \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger] e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}}$$

$$\langle \hat{f} \rangle \equiv \langle 0 | \hat{f}(\tau, \mathbf{0}) | 0 \rangle = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \langle 0 | f_k(\tau) \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}} + f_k^*(\tau) \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger | 0 \rangle e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} = 0$$

$$\langle |\hat{f}|^2 \rangle \equiv \langle 0 | \hat{f}^\dagger(\tau, \mathbf{0}) \hat{f}(\tau, \mathbf{0}) | 0 \rangle = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \int \frac{d^3k'}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \langle 0 | (f_k^*(\tau) \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger + f_k(\tau) \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}}) (f_{k'}(\tau) \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}'} + f_{k'}^*(\tau) \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}'}^\dagger) | 0 \rangle e^{-i\mathbf{k}'\cdot\mathbf{x}'}$$

$$= \int d \ln k \frac{k^3}{2\pi^2} |f_k(\tau)|^2$$

Power spectrum       $\Delta_f^2 \equiv \frac{k^3}{2\pi^2} |f_k(\tau)|^2$

# Zero-point Fluctuations

$$\delta\phi(t, x) = \frac{f(\tau, x)}{a(\tau)} \Rightarrow \Delta_{\delta\phi}^2(k, \tau) = \frac{\Delta_f^2(k, \tau)}{a^2(\tau)}$$

$$\Delta_{\delta\phi}^2(k, a) = \left(\frac{H}{2\pi}\right)^2 \left(1 + \left(\frac{k}{aH}\right)^2\right)$$

$\xrightarrow{k \ll aH}$

$$\Delta_{\delta\phi}^2(k) = \left(\frac{H}{2\pi}\right)^2$$

# From Quantum to Classic

$$\hat{f}(\tau, \mathbf{x}) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \hat{f}_{\mathbf{k}}(\tau) e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} [f_k(\tau) \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}} + f_k^*(\tau) \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger] e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}}$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\pi}}(\tau, \mathbf{x}) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \hat{\boldsymbol{\pi}}_{\mathbf{k}}(\tau) e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} [f'_k(\tau) \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}} + (f_k^*)'(\tau) \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger] e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}}$$

$$k\tau \rightarrow 0 \qquad \qquad f_k(\tau) \approx \frac{-i}{\sqrt{2}k^{3/2}\tau} \qquad f'_k(\tau) \approx \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}k^{3/2}\tau^2}$$

$$\hat{f}(\tau, \mathbf{x}) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \hat{f}_{\mathbf{k}}(\tau) e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} = \frac{-i}{\sqrt{2}\tau} \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi k)^{3/2}} [\hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}} - \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger] e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}}$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\pi}}(\tau, \mathbf{x}) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \hat{\boldsymbol{\pi}}_{\mathbf{k}}(\tau) e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} = \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}\tau^2} \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi k)^{3/2}} [\hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}} - \hat{a}_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger] e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} = -\frac{1}{\tau} \hat{f}(\tau, \mathbf{x})$$