# Non-equilibrium random matrix theory and inflation

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### **Big Bang**















slow-roll inflation ...



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[Guth, Linde, Albrecht, Steinhardt '80s]

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 $n_{s}$ 

**r**0.002

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branes

### non-perturbative effects

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 add need for control (weak coupling / large volume): we are often forced under lamp posts



### extra dimensions: geometry & topology



# varieties of string inflation ... tensor-to-scalar ratio linked to field range: $\frac{\Delta \phi(N_e)}{M_{\rm D}} \gtrsim \frac{N_e}{50} \sqrt{\frac{r}{0.01}} \quad , \quad r = \frac{\mathcal{P}_T}{\mathcal{P}_S}$

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### [Lyth '97]

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## fibre inflation in LARGE volume 8·10<sup>-6</sup>





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axion monodromy inflation 2-axion inflation N-flation

observable r > 0.01

 $\Rightarrow$ 



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 $T_{D5/NS5}$ 



# small-field string inflation ...

- Brane-Antibrane Dvali & Tye; Alexander; Dvali, Shafi & Solganik; Burgess, Majumdar, Nolte, Quevedo, Rajesh & Zhang.
- D3-D7 Dasgupta, Herdeiro, Hirano & Kallosh; Hsu, Kallosh & Prokushkin; Hsu & Kallosh; Aspinwall & Kallosh; Haack, Kallosh, Krause, Linde, Lüst & Zagermann; ...
- warped brane-antibrane Kachru, Kallosh, Linde, Maldacena, McAllister & Trivedi; Firouzjahi & Tye; Burgess, Cline, Stoica & Quevedo; lizuka & Trivedi; Krause & Pajer; Baumann, Dymarsky, Klebanov, McAllister & Steinhardt; Baumann, Dymarsky, Kachru, Klebanov & McAllister; ...
  - DBI Silverstein & Tong; Alishahiha, Silverstein & Tong; Chen; Chen; Shiu & Underwood; Leblond & Shandera; ...
  - Racetrack Blanco-Pillado, Burgess, Cline, Escoda, Gomez-Reino, Kallosh, Linde & Quevedo; Linde & AW; ...
  - Kähler moduli Conlon & Quevedo; AW; Bond, Kofman, Prokushkin & Vaudrevange; Ben-Dayan, Jing, AW & Zarate ...

# large-field string inflation ...

- Fibre inflation (r < 0.01) Cicoli, Burgess & Quevedo / + de Alwis; Broy, Pedro & AW; Broy, Ciupke, Pedro & AW; Cicoli, Ciupke, de Alwis & Muia
- Single-Axion inflation with  $f > M_P$  Grimm; Blumenhagen & Plauschinn;
- 2-Axion inflation Kim, Nilles & Peloso; Berg, Pajer & Sjors; Kappl, Krippendorf & Nilles; Long, McAllister & McGuirk; Tye & Wong; Ben-Dayan, Pedro & AW; Gao, Li & Shukla ... N-flation Dimopoulos, Kachru, McGreevy, Wacker; Easther & McAllister; Grimm; Cicoli, Dutta &
  - Maharana; Choi, Kim & Yun; Bachlechner, Dias, Frazer & McAllister
- axion monodromy Silverstein & AW; McAllister, Silverstein & AW; Flauger, McAllister, Pajer, AW & Xu; Dong, Horn, Silverstein & AW; Shlaer; Gur-Ari; Palti & Weigand; Marchesano, Shiu & Uranga; Blumenhagen & Plauschinn; Hebecker, Kraus & Witkowski; Ibanez &

Galloni, Retolaza & Uranga;

### no mod. stab.

r = 0



 $r \sim 0.001$ 

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 $r \sim 0.1$ Valenzuela; Kaloper, Lawrence & Sorbo; McAllister, Silverstein, AW & Wrase; Franco, • inflation in string theory ...



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[Burgess et al. '08/'16; Cicoli et al. '16] [Broy, Ciupke, Pedro & AW '15] [Broy, Pedro & AW '14]



- inflation in string theory ...
  - many (N) moduli and axions
    - e.g. axion monodromy
- field spaces: with structure: axions, approximate no-scale directions
  - no structure: e.g. flux-stabilized moduli
- statistical description of the landscape:
  - Random Matrix Theory of critical points

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describe system by large-N Gaussian random matrices:

much of the structure described by eigenvalue dynamics



example: N scalar fields coupled to Einstein gravity

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \partial \phi^a \partial \phi^a - \Lambda_v^4 \sqrt{N} \left[ v_0 + v_a \phi^a + \frac{1}{2} v_{ab} \phi^a \right]$$

Let  $v_{ab}$  be a Wigner matrix

# equilibrium states of ID gas of charged particles

# [Dyson '62 & '63] $W = \frac{A + A}{-}$ erc

 relevant matrices for inflation - Wigner ensemble: approximates the tachyonic directions in both random SUGRA and non-SUGRA cases



$$\rho(\lambda) = \frac{1}{\pi N \sigma^2} \sqrt{2N\sigma^2 - \lambda^2}$$

[Aazami & Easther '05]

,  $\sigma =$ 

- [Marsh, McAllister & Wrase '11]
- [Chen, Shiu, Sumitomo & Tye '11]

# eigenvalue spectrum of a large-N Gaussian/Wigner random matrix

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• two relevant questions:

- how often do I get a certain eigenvalue distribution in a given equilibrium matrix ensemble (e.g. inflation)?

- given a non-equilibrium configuration — how fast do l relax to another configuration (e.g. exit from inflation)?

main result here!

many applications in systems with large-N correlation matrices:

condensed matter, nuclear physics, string landscape, computational biology, quantitative finance, ...

answered by: [Dean & Majumdar '06/'08]



eigenvalue probability distribution (pdf)

$$dP = \mathcal{C} \exp\left\{-\frac{\beta}{2\sigma^2} \operatorname{Tr} M^2\right\} dM_i$$
$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i^2 - \sum_{i < j} \ln \frac{\beta}{2\sigma^2} \ln \frac{\beta}{2\sigma^2} dM_i$$

• compute probabilities by integrating pdf:

$$P(\forall \lambda > \zeta) = \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} dP$$



# $\ln |\lambda_i - \lambda_j|$

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• probabilities can be computed:

numerically

analytically via saddle point approximation

$$P(\forall \lambda > \zeta) = \exp\left(-\beta N\right)$$



# [Aazami & Easther '05] [FGP & Westphal '13]

[Dean & Majumdar '06/'08]

# $\mathrm{V}^2\Phi(\zeta)$





# DBM described by Fokker/Planck eq. - solution:

$$P(M(s), M_0) = \int$$

$$dP = \mathcal{C} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\beta}{2\sigma^2(1-q^2)} \operatorname{Tr}[(M + \beta)] \right\}$$

### Hamiltonian:

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2\sigma^2(1-q^2)} \sum_{i=1}^N \left(\lambda_i^2 - 2q\lambda_i M_0^{ii}\right)$$

linear potential for eigenvalues: memory of init. conds. !

# [Dyson '62 & '63] $q \equiv e^{-\frac{s}{\sigma^2 f}}$ $\int dP$

 $-qM_0)^2] \left\} dM_{ij}$ 

 $-\sum_{i < j} \ln |\lambda_i - \lambda_j|$ 





• Estimate exit probability:

Numerical evolution of matrices Analytical saddle point integration of dP<u>for time dependent case - our result</u>

 Each eigenvalue subject to different linear potential To get a qualitative description <u>approximate</u>:

$$M_0^{ii} \to m \equiv \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N M_0^{ii} = \frac{1}{N} \operatorname{Tr}[M_0] \equiv$$





• time-dependent rate function:

$$\Psi(\tilde{\zeta}) = \frac{1}{108\tilde{a}^2} \left\{ 36\tilde{a}\tilde{\zeta}^2 - \tilde{\zeta}^4 + (15\tilde{a}\tilde{\zeta} + \tilde{\zeta}^3)\sqrt{6\tilde{a} + \tilde{\zeta}^2} + 27\tilde{a}^2 \left[ \ln (1-\tilde{\zeta})^2 + \tilde{\zeta}^3 + \tilde{\zeta}^3 + \tilde{\zeta}^3 \right] \right\}$$

 $\left| n(72\tilde{a}) - 2\ln(2(\sqrt{6\tilde{a} - \tilde{\zeta}} - \tilde{\zeta})) \right| \right\}$ 

 $\tilde{a} \equiv 2(1-q^2)$  $b \equiv -2qm$  $\tilde{\zeta} \equiv \zeta + b/2$ 



• What is the probability of:  $M(s): \forall \lambda > \zeta$ 

$$P(M(s), M_0) = \exp\left[-\beta N^2 \Psi(s)\right]$$



### [Pedro & AW '16]

# $(\zeta) + \mathcal{O}(N)$

# Apply static D&M result to: <u>small-field landscape</u> how many minima vs inflationary patches?

# inf







### [Pedro & AW '13]

### <u>min</u>

Inflationary patches MUCH more abundant than minima:

# How are they connected in the landscape?

### inf.



### Want to find the **exit probability**









# [Pedro & AW '16] small-field landscape



# Transition probability is exponentially suppressed

?Who wins then ?



# Conditional probability: $P(\min|\inf) = \frac{P(\min \cap \inf)}{P(\inf)}$

Anthropically relevant trajectories:

$$P(\min \cap \inf) = P(\inf)$$

$$\downarrow$$
initial condit

# $P(\min|\inf)$ ion evolution



• Globally:  $q \ll 1 \land |\eta| \ll 1$ 

 $P(\min \cap \inf) \simeq \exp \left| -\beta N^2 \left\{ \frac{\ln 3}{4} - \frac{2}{3\sqrt{3}} (\eta + m q) \right\} \right|$ 





# In small-field landscapes ... Our History is highly unlikely !!!!

# Transition probability overcomes number count

# • The landscape 'Drake equations' of tensor modes

 $\nu_{\text{small}} \sim N_{\text{manifolds}} \times N_{\text{cr.p.}} \times f_{\text{dS-min.}} \times P_{\text{small}}(\min \cap \inf)$ 

 $\nu_{\text{large}} \sim N_{\text{manifolds}} \times N_{\text{cr.p.}} \times f_{\text{dS-min.}} \times P_{\text{large}}(\min \cap \inf)$ 





# The landscape 'Drake equations' of tensor modes



large-field models: minimum built-in !



maybe string landscape wants larg/ish r by preferring structure?



# $P_{\text{large}}(\min|\inf) = 1$ $\Rightarrow P_{\text{large}}(\min \cap \inf) \sim 1$





• compute prior probability for e-folds N<sub>e</sub>

$$V = V_0 \left( 1 - \frac{\eta_0}{2} \phi^2 - \frac{1}{p\Delta\phi^p} \phi^p + \ldots \right)$$

$$P(N_e) = \int d\sqrt{H} \, d\Delta\phi \, d\eta \, \delta\left(N_e - \frac{1}{\eta}\right) \, \delta\left(\frac{\delta_{\mu}}{\rho} \times \exp(\mathcal{O}(1)N^2/N_e)\right) \\ \sim \frac{1}{N_e^{4+2/(p-2)}} e^{\mathcal{O}(1)\frac{N^2}{N_e}}$$



 $\frac{\delta\rho}{\rho} - f(\sqrt{H}, \Delta\phi, \eta)) \bigg)$  $V_e)$ 

### <u>so N < 10</u> to get $\Omega_{K} < 0.001$ !!



# where do we go from here ...

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small-field models

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# large-field models

### unwinding inflation ... others/unknown ??



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axion *monodromy* 

exit also often builtin ... P = ??

small-field models

maybe  $P_{large} / P_{small} >> 1$ ?

covered here ...



# large-field models



**P** = ??

