Primordial non-Gaussian correlations of inflationary perturbations with gauge fields

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# Outline of the talk

- Dynamical gauge fields during inflation interesting cosmological signatures
- Non-Gaussian correlations novel consistency relations
  - Cross-correlations with primordial curvature perturbations
  - Cross-correlations with gravitons
- Conclusions

#### Dynamical gauge fields — cosmological imprints



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#### Dynamical gauge fields — cosmological imprints

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non-Gaussiannes induced by magnetic fields

gravitational waves - novel signatures e.g. chirality

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Gauge field

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# Non-Gaussian imprints of primordial gauge fields

- If gauge field are produced during inflation, they must be correlated with inflationary scalar and tensor perturbations.
- Such cross-correlations will be non-Gaussian in nature could be large also.
- An interesting scenario for inflationary magnetogenesis is

$$\lambda(\phi, \mathcal{R}) F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$$

• A model-independent calculation can not be done as these correlations depend on the coupling function.

$$\langle \zeta(k_1) \mathbf{B}(k_2) . \mathbf{B}(k_3) \rangle \qquad \langle \gamma(k_1) \mathbf{B}(k_2) . \mathbf{B}(k_3) \rangle$$

Semi-classical estimate in the squeezed limit

- Squeezed limit:  $k_1 \ll k_2 \sim k_3$
- Consider  $\langle \zeta_{k_1} \zeta_{k_2} \zeta_{k_3} \rangle$  in the squeezed limit i.e.  $k_1 \to 0$ 
  - The long wavelength mode rescales the background for short wavelength modes

$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + a^2(t) e^{2\zeta(t,\mathbf{x})} d\mathbf{x}^2$$

• Taylor expand in the rescaled background

$$\langle \zeta_{k_2} \zeta_{k_3} \rangle_{\zeta_1} = \langle \zeta_{k_2} \zeta_{k_3} \rangle + \zeta_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial \zeta_1} \langle \zeta_{k_2} \zeta_{k_3} \rangle + \dots$$

$$\langle \zeta_{k_1} \zeta_{k_2} \zeta_{k_3} \rangle_{\zeta_1} \approx \left\langle \zeta_{k_1} \left\langle \zeta_{k_2} \zeta_{k_3} \right\rangle_{\zeta_1} \right\rangle \sim \left\langle \zeta_{k_1} \zeta_{k_1} \right\rangle k \frac{d}{dk} \left\langle \zeta_{k_2} \zeta_{k_3} \right\rangle$$

$$\langle \zeta_{k_1} \zeta_{k_2} \zeta_{k_3} \rangle \sim -(n_s - 1) \left\langle \zeta_{k_1} \zeta_{k_1} \right\rangle \left\langle \zeta_{k_2} \zeta_{k_3} \right\rangle$$

 $f_{NL}^{\text{local}} = -(n_s - 1)$  Maldacena, JHEP 0305, 013 (2002)

 $k_2$ 

 $k_1$ 

 $k_{3}$ 

#### Non-Gaussian cross-correlation

• Define the cross-correlation bispectrum of the curvature perturbation with magnetic fields as

 $\langle \zeta(\mathbf{k}_1) \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{k}_2) \cdot \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{k}_3) \rangle \equiv (2\pi)^3 \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3) B_{\zeta BB}(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3)$ 

 $B_{\zeta BB}(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3) \equiv b_{NL} P_{\zeta}(k_1) P_B(k_2)$ 

• Local resemblance between  $f_{NL}$  and  $b_{NL}$ 

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta &= \zeta^{(G)} + \frac{3}{5} f_{NL}^{local} \left( \zeta^{(G)} \right)^2 \\ \mathbf{B} &= \mathbf{B}^{(G)} + \frac{1}{2} b_{NL}^{local} \zeta^{(G)} \mathbf{B}^{(G)} \end{aligned}$$

RKJ & Sloth, Phys. Rev. D 86, 123528 (2012)

#### A novel magnetic consistency relation

Using Maldacena's approach, the cross-correlation becomes

$$\langle \zeta(\tau_I, \mathbf{k}_1) \mathbf{B}(\tau_I, \mathbf{k}_2) \cdot \mathbf{B}(\tau_I, \mathbf{k}_3) \rangle$$
  
=  $-\frac{1}{H} \frac{\dot{\lambda}}{\lambda} (2\pi)^3 \delta^{(3)} (\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3) P_{\zeta}(k_1) P_B(k_2)$ 

- With the coupling  $\lambda(\phi(\tau)) = \lambda_I (\tau/\tau_I)^{-2n}$  , we obtain

$$b_{NL} = n_B - 4$$

• For scale-invariant magnetic field spectrum,  $n_B = 0$  and therefore,

$$b_{NL} = -4$$

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#### A novel magnetic consistency relation

• In the squeezed limit  $k_1 \ll k_2, k_3 = k$ , we obtain a *new* magnetic consistency relation

$$\langle \zeta(k_1) \mathbf{B}(k_2) \cdot \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{k_3}) \rangle = (n_B - 4)(2\pi)^3 \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3) P_{\zeta}(k_1) P_B(k)$$

With 
$$b_{NL}^{\text{local}} = (n_B - 4)$$

Compare with Maldacena's consistency relation

$$\langle \zeta(k_1)\zeta(k_2)\zeta(k_3)\rangle = -(n_s - 1)(2\pi)^3 \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3)P_{\zeta}(k_1)P_{\zeta}(k_1)$$

with 
$$f_{NL}^{\text{local}} = -(n_s - 1)$$

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# Full in-in calculation

- One has to cross-check the consistency relation by doing a complete in-in calculation.
- The final result is

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \zeta(\tau_I, \mathbf{k}_1) \mathbf{B}(\tau_I, \mathbf{k}_2) \cdot \mathbf{B}(\tau_I, \mathbf{k}_3) \rangle &= -\frac{1}{H} \frac{\dot{\lambda}_I}{\lambda_I} (2\pi)^3 \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3) |\zeta_{k_1}^{(0)}(\tau_I)|^2 |A_{k_2}^{(0)}(\tau_I)| |A_{k_3}^{(0)}(\tau_I)| \\ & \times \left[ \left( \mathbf{k}_2 \cdot \mathbf{k}_3 + \frac{(\mathbf{k}_2 \cdot \mathbf{k}_3)^3}{k_2^2 k_3^2} \right) k_2 k_3 \tilde{\mathcal{I}}_n^{(1)} + 2(\mathbf{k}_2 \cdot \mathbf{k}_3)^2 \tilde{\mathcal{I}}_n^{(2)} \right] . \end{aligned}$$

• The two integrals can be solved exactly for different values of n.

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## Full in-in calculation

• The flattened shape: In this limit,  $k_1 = 2k_2 = 2k_3$ , the cross-correlation becomes

 $\langle \zeta(\tau_I, \mathbf{k}_1) \mathbf{B}(\tau_I, \mathbf{k}_2) \cdot \mathbf{B}(\tau_I, \mathbf{k}_3) \rangle \simeq 96 \ln(-k_t \tau_I) P_{\zeta}(k_1) P_B(k_2)$ 

• For the largest observable scale today,  $\ln(-k_t\tau_I) \sim -60$ ,

$$\left| b_{NL}^{flat} \right| \sim 5760$$

• The squeezed limit: In this limit,  $k_1 \rightarrow 0$  and

$$\langle \zeta(\tau_I, \mathbf{k}_1) \mathbf{B}(\tau_I, \mathbf{k}_2) \cdot \mathbf{B}(\tau_I, \mathbf{k}_3) \rangle = -\frac{1}{H} \frac{\dot{\lambda}_I}{\lambda_I} (2\pi)^3 \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3) P_{\zeta}(k_1) P_B(k_2)$$

with  $b_{NL} = -\frac{1}{H}\frac{\dot{\lambda}_I}{\lambda_I} = n_B - 4$  in agreement with the consistency relation.

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### Cross-correlations with gravitons

 $\langle \gamma(\mathbf{k_1}) \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{k_2}) \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{k_3}) \rangle , \qquad \langle \gamma(\mathbf{k_1}) \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{k_2}) \cdot \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{k_3}) \rangle , \qquad \langle \gamma(\mathbf{k_1}) \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{k_2}) \cdot \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{k_3}) \rangle$ 

 $ds^{2} = -dt^{2} + a^{2}(t) \left[e^{\gamma}\right]_{ij} dx^{i} dx^{j} \approx -dt^{2} + a^{2}(t) \left[\delta_{ij} + \gamma_{ij}\right] dx^{i} dx^{j}$ 

In the squeezed limit

$$\lim_{k_1 \to 0} \langle \gamma(\tau_I, \mathbf{k}_1) B_{\mu}(\tau_I, \mathbf{k}_2) B^{\mu}(\tau_I, \mathbf{k}_3) \rangle = (2\pi)^3 \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3) \left( n - \frac{1}{2} \right) \epsilon_{ij} \frac{k_{2i} k_{2j}}{k_2^2} P_{\gamma}(k_1) P_B(k_2)$$

 $\lim_{k_1 \to 0} \left\langle \gamma(\tau_I, \mathbf{k}_1) E_{\mu}(\tau_I, \mathbf{k}_2) E^{\mu}(\tau_I, \mathbf{k}_3) \right\rangle = -(2\pi)^3 \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3) \left( n + \frac{1}{2} \right) \epsilon_{ij} \frac{k_{2i} k_{2j}}{k_2^2} P_{\gamma}(k_1) P_E(k_2)$ 

$$b_{NL}^{\gamma} = \left(n - \frac{1}{2}\right) \epsilon_{ij} \frac{k_{2i} k_{2j}}{k_2^2}, \quad n > -1/2$$
$$e_{NL}^{\gamma} = -\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right) \epsilon_{ij} \frac{k_{2i} k_{2j}}{k_2^2}, \quad n < 1/2.$$

**RKJ**, Sai & Sloth, JCAP 03, 054 (2022)

### Cross-correlations with gravitons



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### Conclusions

- Dynamical gauge fields during inflation lead to a very rich phenomenology with interesting cosmological imprints.
- Interesting cross-correlations with curvature and tensor perturbations — new consistency relations large contributions in specific shapes.
- Such correlations will also induce observable imprints in the CMB — need to explore further.