

Implications of Planck for Fundamental Physics
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Curvaton model for origin of structure *after Planck*

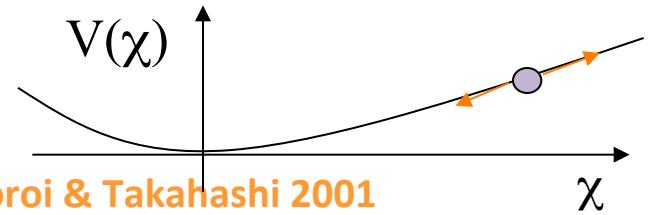
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outline

- Curvaton
 - non-adiabatic model for origin of structure
 - smoking gun for non-adiabatic models
 - Non-Gaussianity
 - Isocurvature perturbations
- Planck parameter constraints
 - power spectrum
 - bispectrum
 - anomalies
- Conclusions

curvaton scenario:

Linde & Mukhanov 1997; Enqvist & Sloth, Lyth & Wands, Moroi & Takahashi 2001



curvaton χ = weakly-coupled, late-decaying scalar field

- light field during inflation acquires an almost scale-invariant, **Gaussian distribution of field fluctuations** on large scales
- **quadratic energy density** for free field, $\rho_\chi = m^2 \chi^2 / 2$
- spectrum of initially isocurvature density perturbations

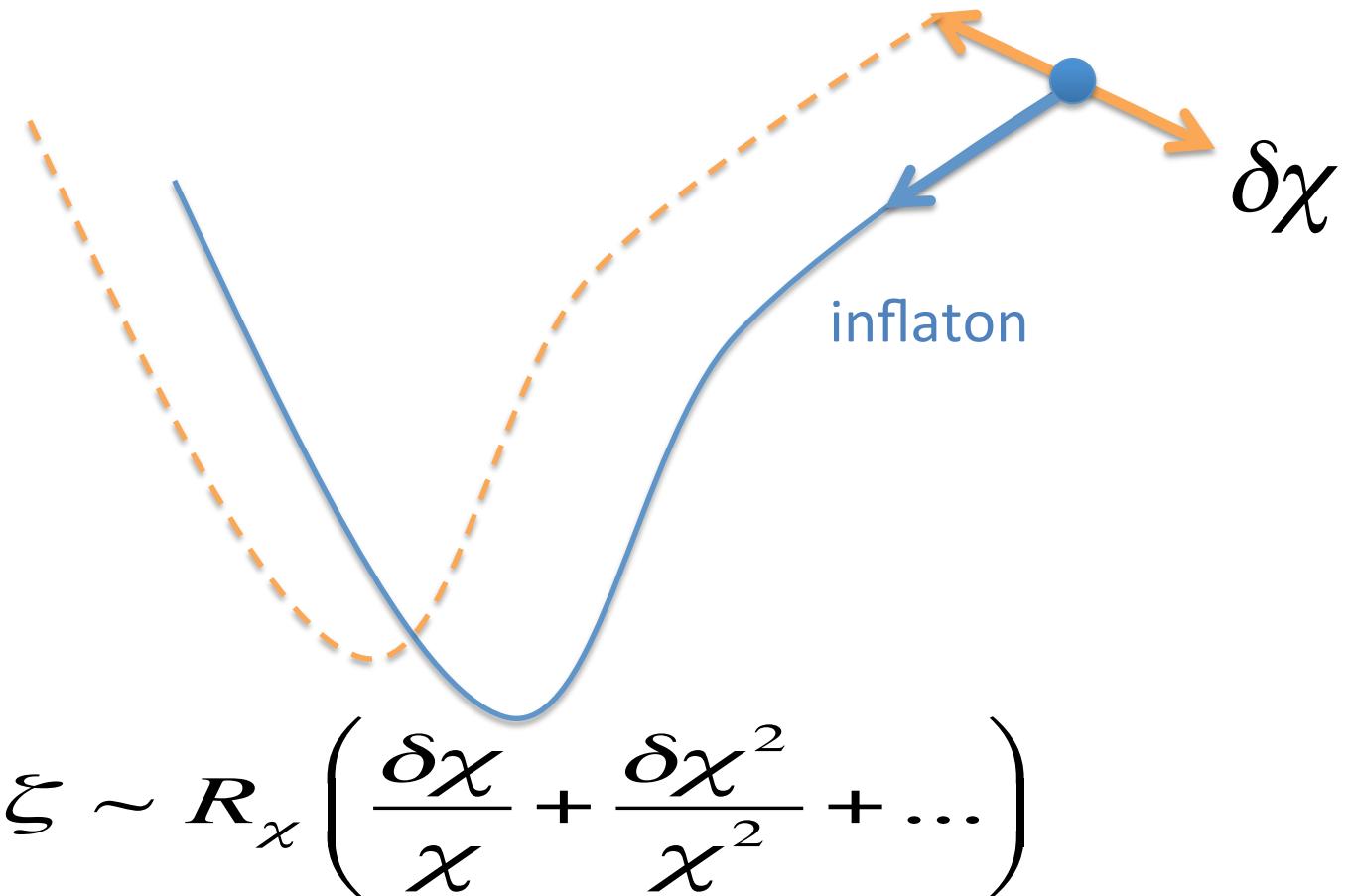
$$\zeta_\chi \approx \frac{1}{3} \frac{\delta \rho_\chi}{\rho_\chi} \approx \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{2\chi \delta \chi + \delta \chi^2}{\chi^2} \right)$$

- **transferred to radiation when curvaton decays** after inflation with some **efficiency**, $0 < R_\chi < 1$, where $R_\chi \approx \Omega_{\chi, decay}$

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta &= R_\chi \zeta_\chi \approx \frac{R_\chi}{3} \left(2 \frac{\delta \chi}{\chi} + \frac{\delta \chi^2}{\chi^2} \right) \\ &= \zeta_G + \frac{3}{4R_\chi} \zeta_G^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad f_{NL} = \frac{5}{4R_\chi} \end{aligned}$$

non-adiabatic field fluctuations

see also multi-field inflation, modulated reheating, inhomogeneous end of inflation...



Cosmological perturbations on large scales

- **adiabatic perturbations**

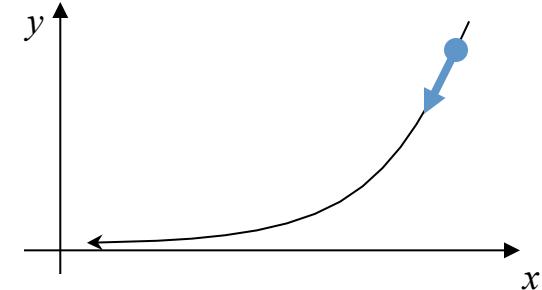
e.g.,

$$\delta \left(\frac{n_\gamma}{n_B} \right) \propto \frac{\delta n_\gamma}{n_\gamma} - \frac{\delta n_B}{n_B} = 0$$

- *perturb along the background trajectory*

$$\frac{\delta x}{\dot{x}} = \frac{\delta y}{\dot{y}} = \delta t$$

- **adiabatic perturbations stay adiabatic**

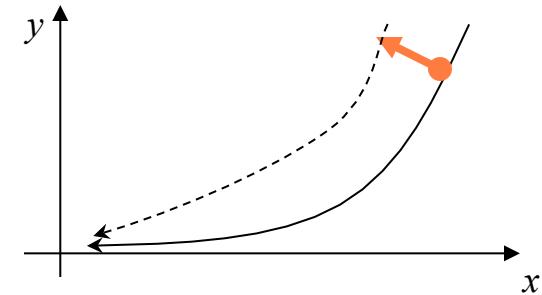


- **entropy perturbations**

- *perturb off the background trajectory*

$$\frac{\delta x}{\dot{x}} \neq \frac{\delta y}{\dot{y}}$$

- e.g., *baryon-photon isocurvature* perturbation



(non-linear) evolution of curvature perturbation on large scales

Distinctive predictions

- Local non-Gaussianity requires non-adiabatic field fluctuations during inflation

simplest quadratic curvaton: $V=m^2\chi^2/2$

- *first-order perturbations*

$$\zeta = R_\chi \zeta_\chi$$

where

$$R_\chi = \left[\frac{3\Omega_\chi}{4 - \Omega_\chi} \right]_{\text{decay}} \leq 1$$

- *second-order perturbations*

$$\Rightarrow f_{NL} = \frac{5}{4R_\chi} - \frac{5}{3} - \frac{5R_\chi}{6} \geq -\frac{5}{4}$$

- *third-order perturbations*

$$\Rightarrow g_{NL} = -\frac{25}{6R_\chi} \left[1 - \frac{R_\chi}{18} - \frac{10R_\chi^2}{9} - \frac{R_\chi^3}{3} \right] \leq \frac{9}{2}$$

- *Predictions of the simplest quadratic curvaton model:*

- *for $R_\chi \approx 1$*

$$f_{NL} = -\frac{5}{4}, \quad g_{NL} = \frac{9}{2}$$

- *for $R_\chi \ll 1$*

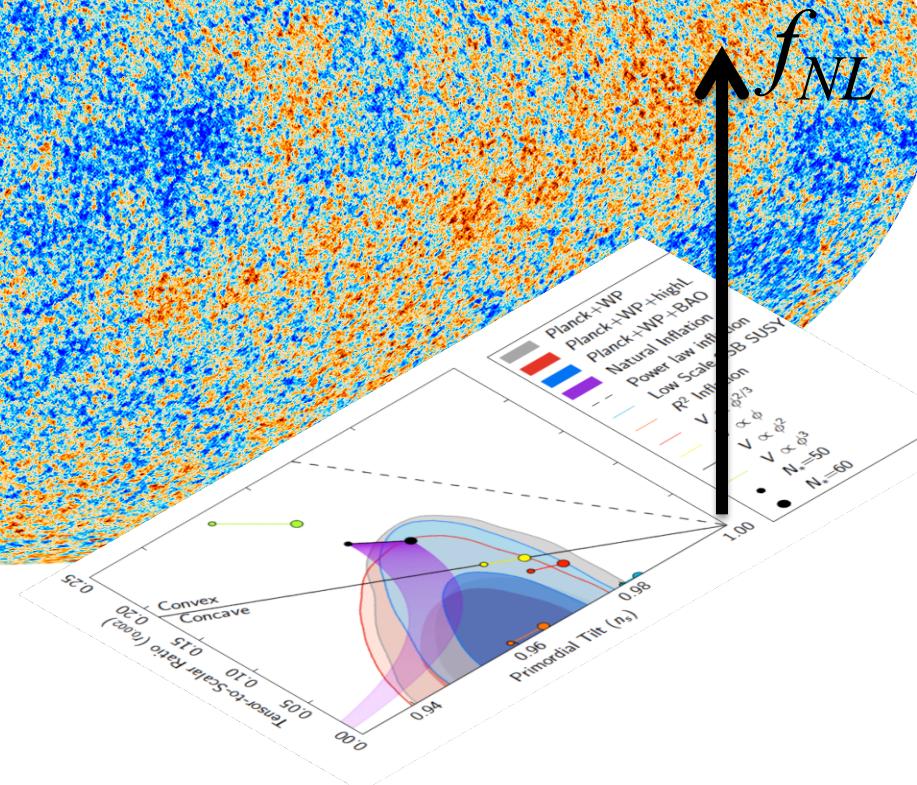
$$f_{NL} = \frac{5}{4R_\chi} \gg 1, \quad \tau_{NL} = \frac{36}{25} f_{NL}^2 \gg \quad g_{NL} = -\frac{10}{3} f_{NL}$$

single source consistency relation

Planck - new standard model of primordial cosmology

“non-Gaussianity parameter f_{NL} measured by Planck is consistent with zero”

$$f_{NL} = \frac{B_\xi(k_1, k_2, k_3)}{P(k_1)P(k_2) + P(k_2)P(k_3) + P(k_3)P(k_1)}$$



Constraints on local non-Gaussianity

- WMAP9 constraints using estimators based on optimal templates:
 - Local:

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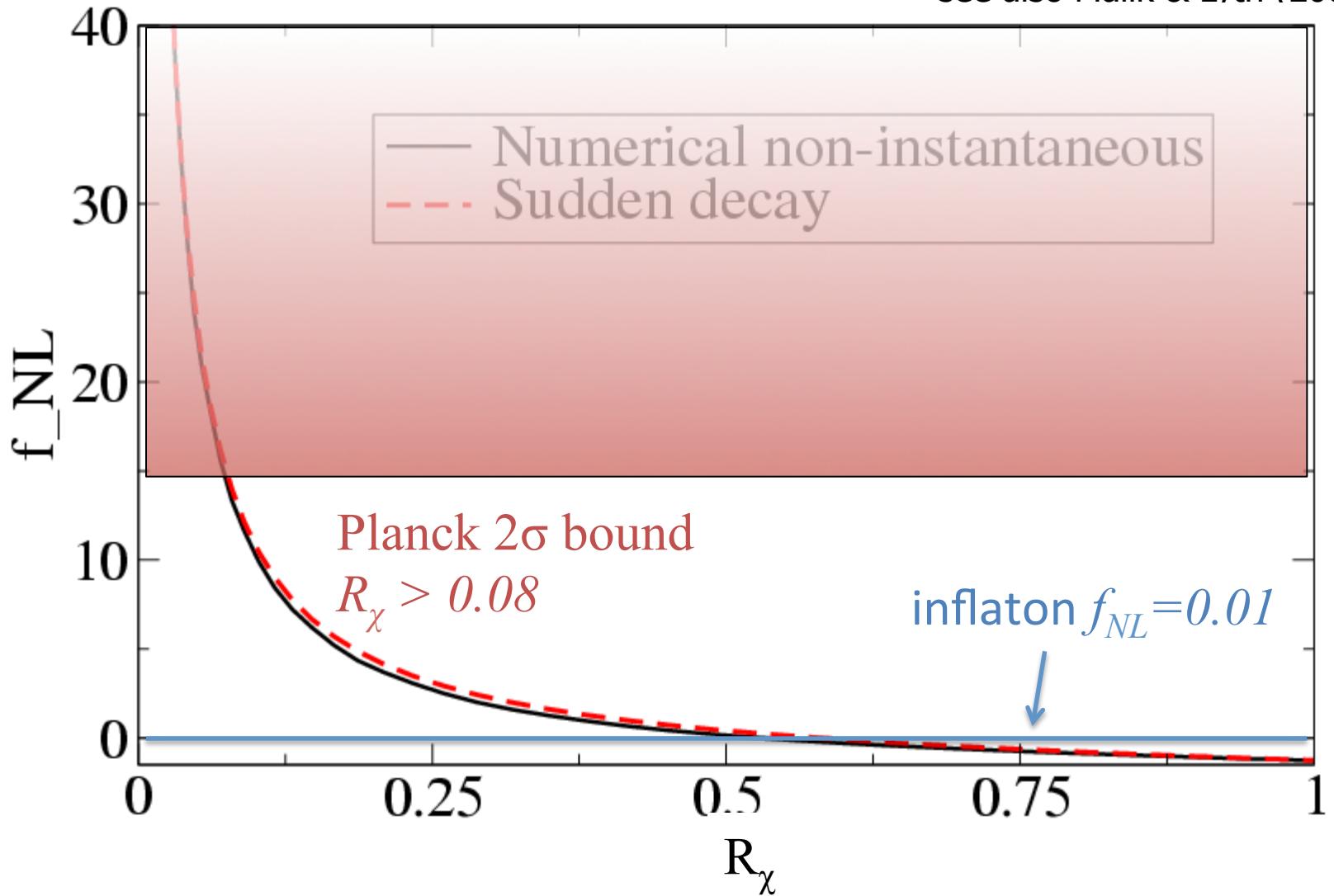
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Quadratic curvaton non-linearity parameter

Sasaki, Valiviita & Wands (2006)
see also Malik & Lyth (2006)



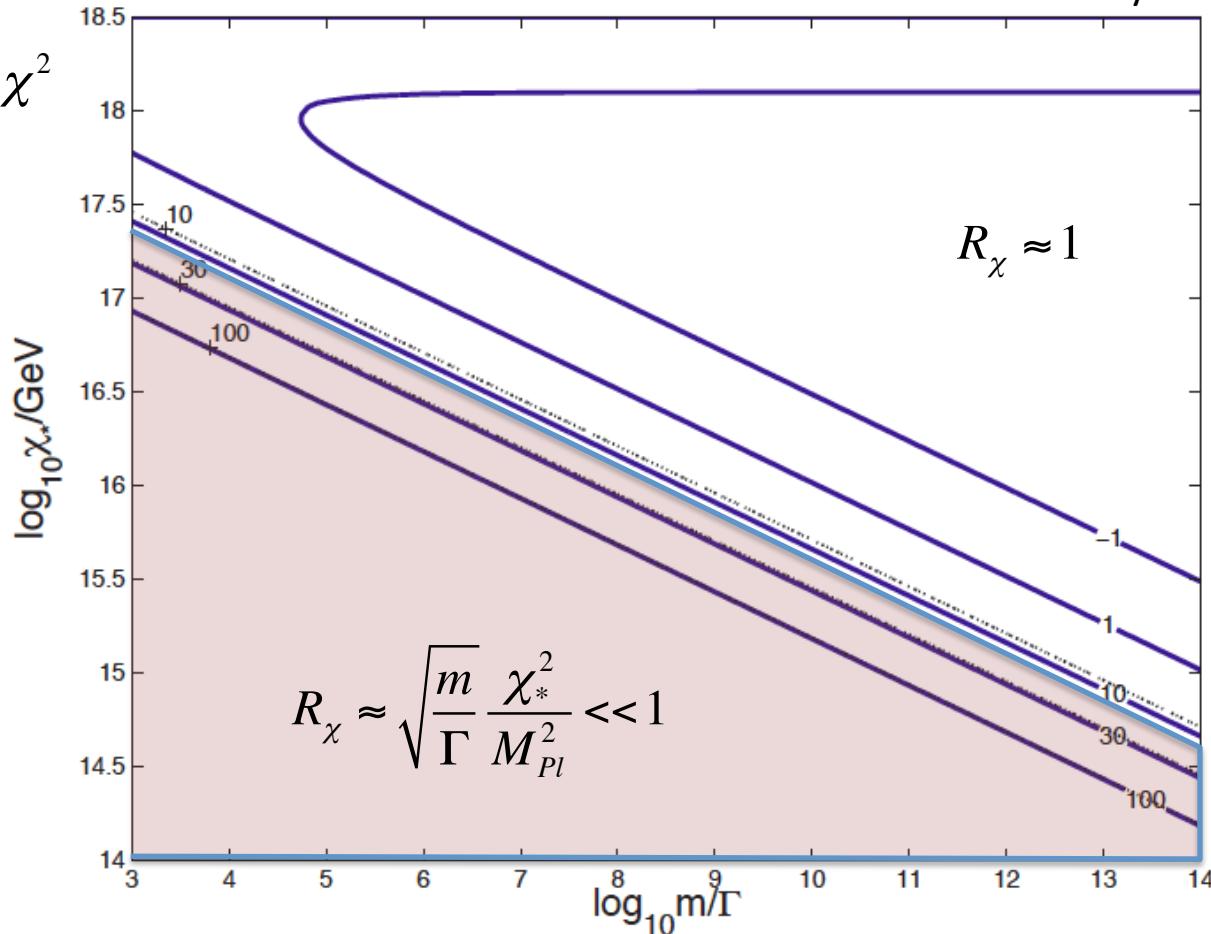
Distinctive predictions

- Local non-Gaussianity requires non-adiabatic field fluctuations during inflation
 - *absence of evidence is not evidence of absence!*
- Curvaton model can produce almost Gaussian primordial perturbations, $|f_{NL}| \sim 1$
 - constraints on f_{NL} do give important constraints on curvaton models

f_{NL} bounds on quadratic curvaton

Fonseca & Wands (2011)
see also Nakayama et al (2010)

$$V(\chi) = \frac{1}{2} m^2 \chi^2$$



Planck bounds f_{NL}

Primordial power spectrum constraints

- Inflaton

$$P_\zeta \approx \frac{1}{8\pi^2 \epsilon} \left(\frac{H_*}{M_{Pl}} \right)^2$$

tilt: $n - 1 = -6\epsilon + 2\eta_\varphi$

$$P_T \approx \frac{2}{\pi^2} \left(\frac{H_*}{M_{Pl}} \right)^2$$

tensor-scalar ratio: $r_T = 16\epsilon$

slow roll parameters $\epsilon = -\dot{H}/H^2$, $\eta_i = m_i^2/3H^2$

- Planck 2013:

- $n = 0.9624 \pm 0.0075$
- $r_T < 0.012$

- Curvaton

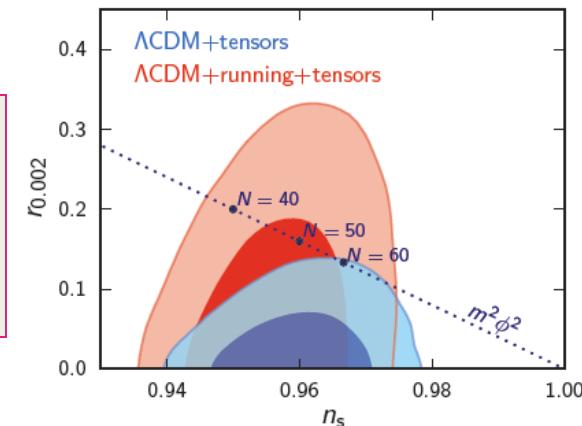
$$P_\zeta \approx \frac{R_\chi^2}{9\pi^2} \left(\frac{H_*}{\langle \chi_* \rangle} \right)^2$$

tilt: $n - 1 = -2\epsilon + 2\eta_\chi$

$$P_T \approx \frac{2}{\pi^2} \left(\frac{H_*}{M_{Pl}} \right)^2$$

tensor-scalar: $r_T = 18\langle \chi_* \rangle^2 / R_\chi^2 M_{Pl}^2 \ll 16\epsilon$

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Different perspectives

Inflaton viewpoint

- Tensor-scalar ratio bounds $\varepsilon < 0.01$
- Scalar tilt $n=0.96$ then favours $\eta_\varphi < 0$
 - E.g., axion e.g., axion $V(\varphi)=\Lambda^4(1-\cos(\varphi/f))$

Curvaton viewpoint

- Tensor-scalar ratio bounds H_{inf} (*model-independent*), **not ε**
- Scalar-tilt either
 - Large-field inflation: $\varepsilon \approx 0.02$ and $\eta_\chi \approx 0$
 - e.g., $\lambda\varphi^4$ (with $N \approx 60$) or $m^2\varphi^2$ (with $N \approx 30$ and late entropy from curvaton decay)
 - Small-field with $\eta_\chi < 0$ and $\varepsilon \ll 0.02$
 - e.g., axion $V(\chi)=\Lambda^4(1-\cos(\chi/f))$

Mixed inflaton+curvaton

$$P_\xi \approx \frac{1}{8\pi^2(1-w_\chi)\varepsilon} \left(\frac{H_*}{M_{Pl}} \right)^2$$

where

$$w_\chi = \frac{8\varepsilon R^2 M_{Pl}^2}{8\varepsilon R^2 M_{Pl}^2 + 9\chi_*^2}$$

tilt: $n - 1 = -(6 - 4w_\chi)\varepsilon + 2(1 - w_\chi)\eta_\varphi + 2w_\chi\eta_\chi$

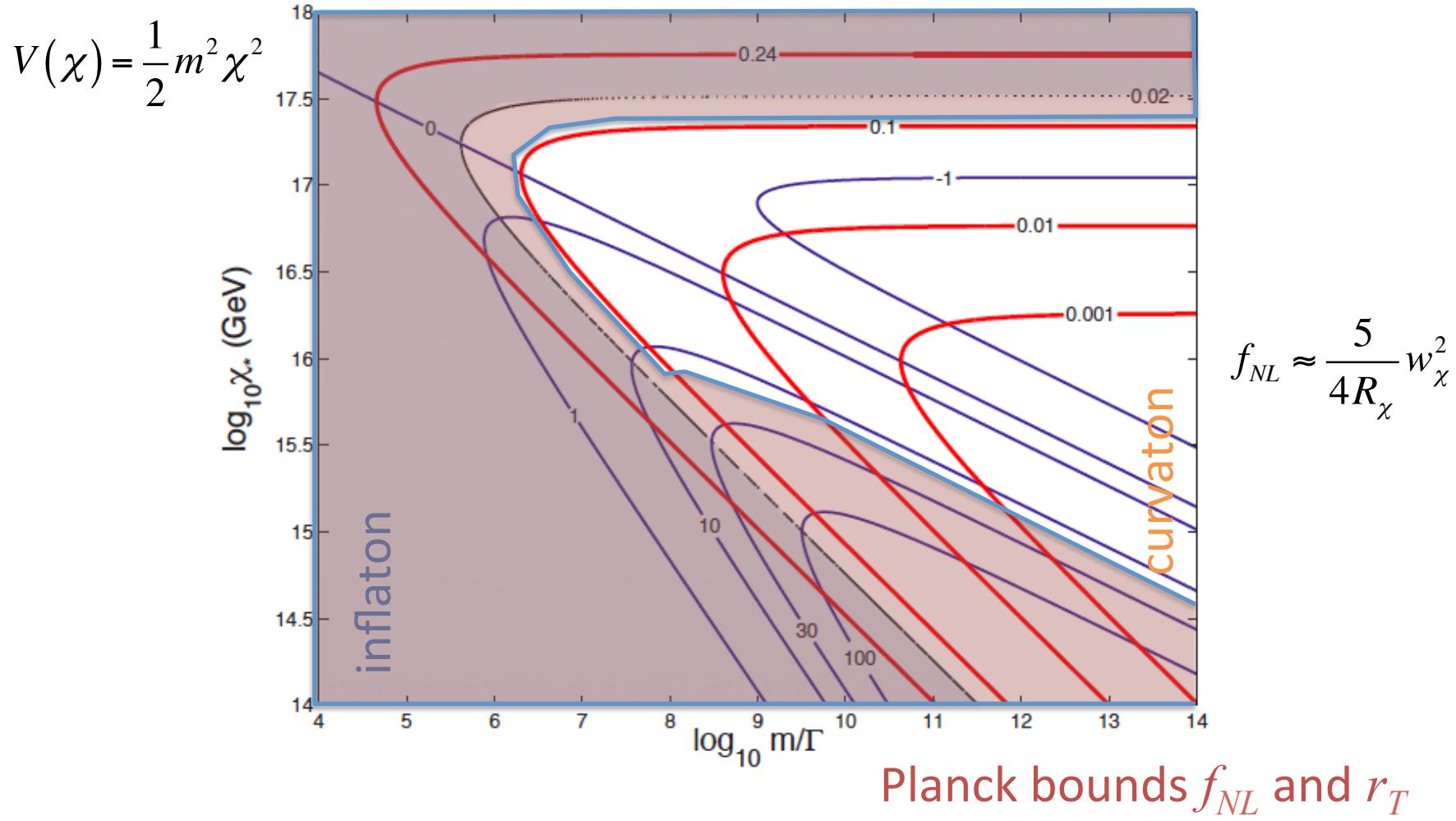
$$P_T \approx \frac{2}{\pi^2} \left(\frac{H_*}{M_{Pl}} \right)^2$$

tensor-scalar ratio: $r_T = 16(1 - w_\chi)\varepsilon \leq 16\varepsilon$

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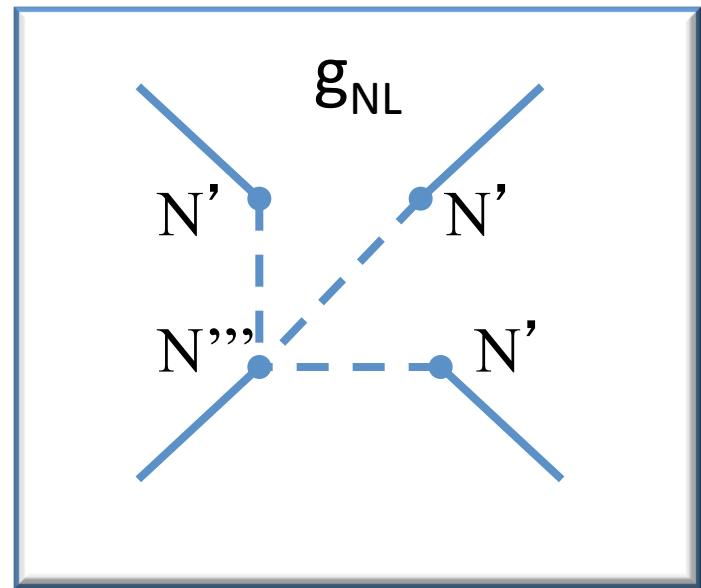
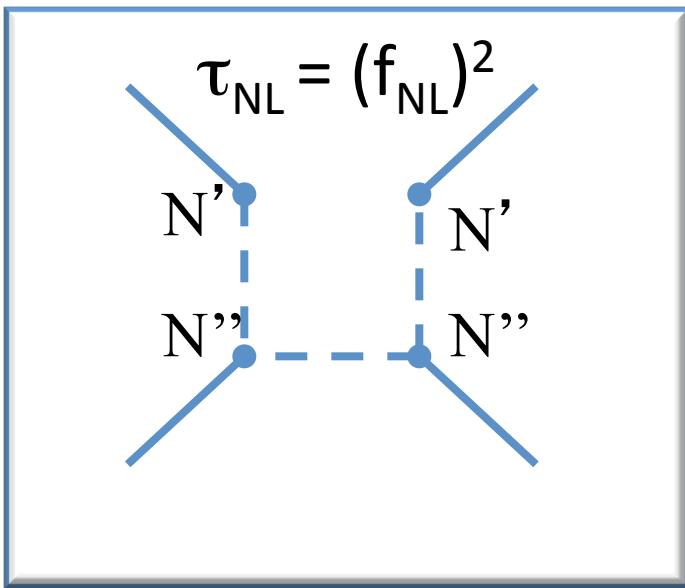
f_{NL} + r_T quadratic curvaton + inflaton: $\epsilon=0.02$

Fonseca & Wands (2012)



local trispectrum has 2 terms at leading order

$$\zeta = \zeta_1 + \frac{3}{5} f_{NL} \zeta_1^2 + \frac{9}{25} g_{NL} \zeta_1^3 + \dots$$

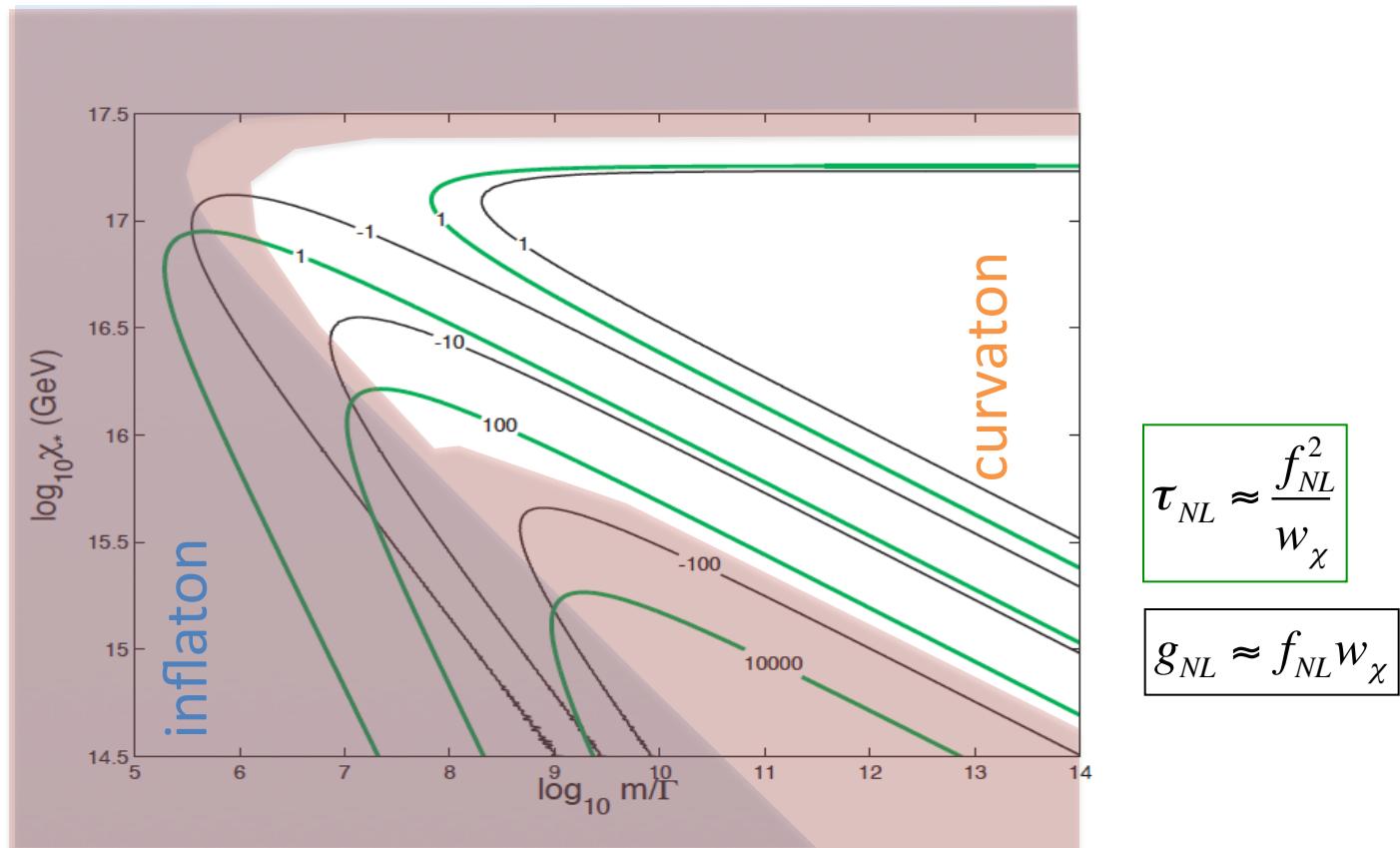


- can distinguish by different momentum dependence
- multi-source consistency relation: $\tau_{NL} \geq (f_{NL})^2$

$g_{NL} + \tau_{NL}$ quadratic curvaton + inflaton: $\epsilon=0.02$

Fonseca & Wands (2012)

$$V(\chi) = \frac{1}{2} m^2 \chi^2$$



Planck bounds f_{NL} and r_T

self-interacting curvaton

Enqvist & Nurmi (2005)

Huang (2008)

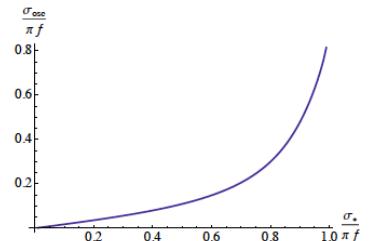
Enqvist et al (2009)

$$V(\chi) = \frac{1}{2} m^2 \chi^2 \pm m^2 \frac{\chi^4}{f^2} + \dots$$

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assume curvaton is **Gaussian at Hubble exit** during inflation, but allow for **non-linear evolution** on large scales before oscillating about quadratic minimum

$$\chi_{osc} = g(\chi_*) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \chi_{osc} = g + g' \delta\chi + \frac{1}{2} g'' (\delta\chi)^2 + \dots$$



e.g. **axion curvaton**: n=0.96 => m²=-0.06H_*² => **“hill-top” curvaton**: g''>0

Kawasaki, Kobayashi & Takahashi (2012)

$$f_{NL} = \frac{5}{4R_\chi} \left(\frac{g''g}{g'^2} \right) , \quad \tau_{NL} = \frac{36}{25} f_{NL}^2 \sim g_{NL} = \frac{27}{4R_\chi^2} \left(\frac{g''g}{g'^2} + \frac{g'''g^2}{3g'^3} \right)$$

asymmetries in the data:

Hemispherical power asymmetry

- Dipole modulation?

$$\zeta = \zeta_G + \frac{3}{5} f_{NL} (\zeta_G^2 - \langle \zeta_G^2 \rangle) + \dots$$

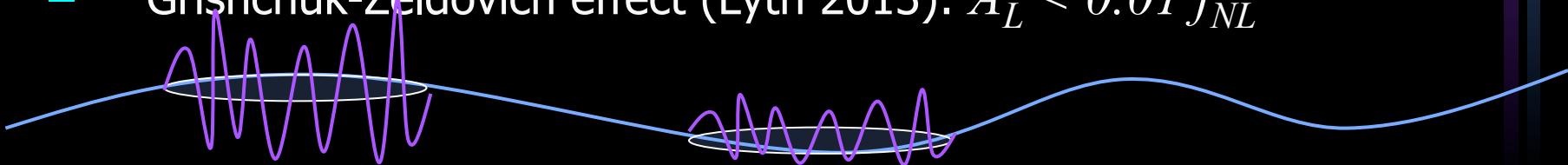
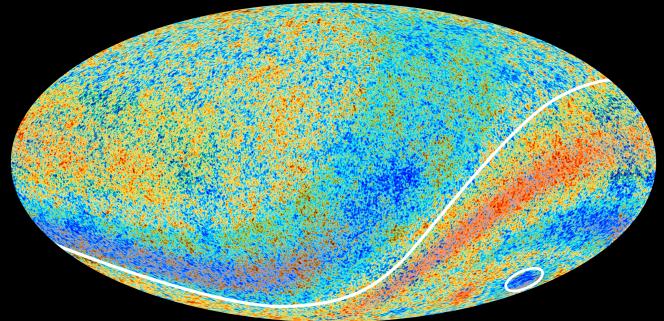
short+long wavelength split: $\zeta_G = \zeta_S + \zeta_L$

$$\Rightarrow \zeta = (\zeta_S + \zeta_L) + \frac{3}{5} f_{NL} (\zeta_S^2 + 2\zeta_S\zeta_L + \zeta_L^2 - \langle \zeta_S^2 + \zeta_L^2 \rangle) + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{\zeta} = \left(1 + \frac{6}{5} f_{NL} \zeta_L\right) \zeta_S + \frac{3}{5} f_{NL} (\zeta_S^2 - \langle \zeta_S^2 \rangle) + \dots$$

i.e., long-wavelength modulation $\tilde{\zeta} = (1 + A_L) \zeta_S$ where $A_L = \frac{6}{5} f_{NL} \zeta_L$

- Grishchuk-Zeldovich effect (Lyth 2013): $A_L < 0.01 f_{NL}$



Conclusions:

- ***Curvaton*** provides a simple non-adiabatic model for origin of structure
 - Local non-Gaussianity ($|f_{NL}| > 1$) requires non-adiabatic model
 - but, non-adiabatic model does *not* require significant non-Gaussianity
 - Tensor-scalar ratio bounds inflation energy scale, not ϵ
- ***Quadratic curvaton well-described by simplest local f_{NL}***
 - $n \approx 0.96$ requires large-field inflation, $\epsilon \approx 0.02$
- ***Many variants***
 - self-interactions (τ_{NL} and g_{NL} still small)
 - curvaton+inflaton (τ_{NL} could be large, scale-dependent f_{NL})
- ***Many potential observables:***
 - trispectrum, isocurvature (bi)spectra, large-scale power modulation...