

# Formation and evolution of quantum condensates as origin of inflation and dark energy



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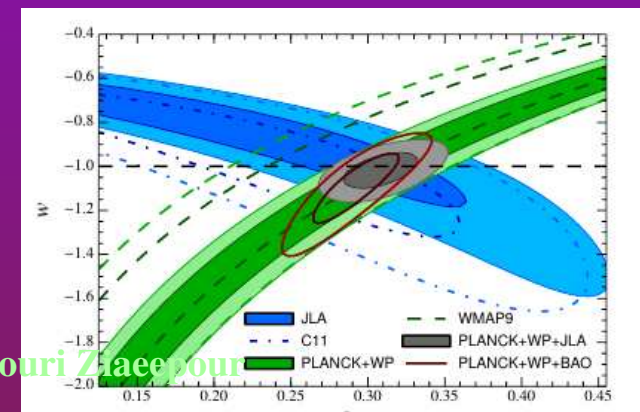
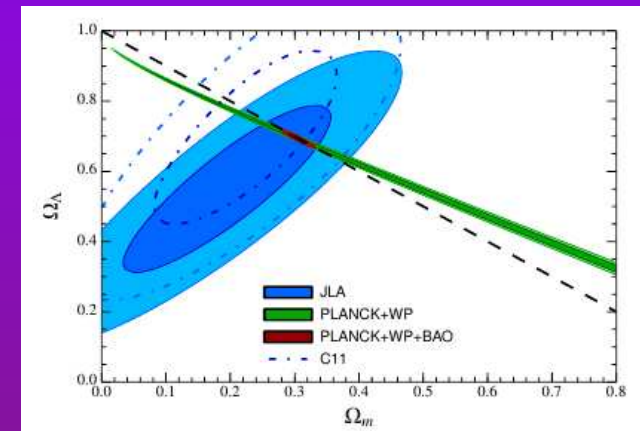
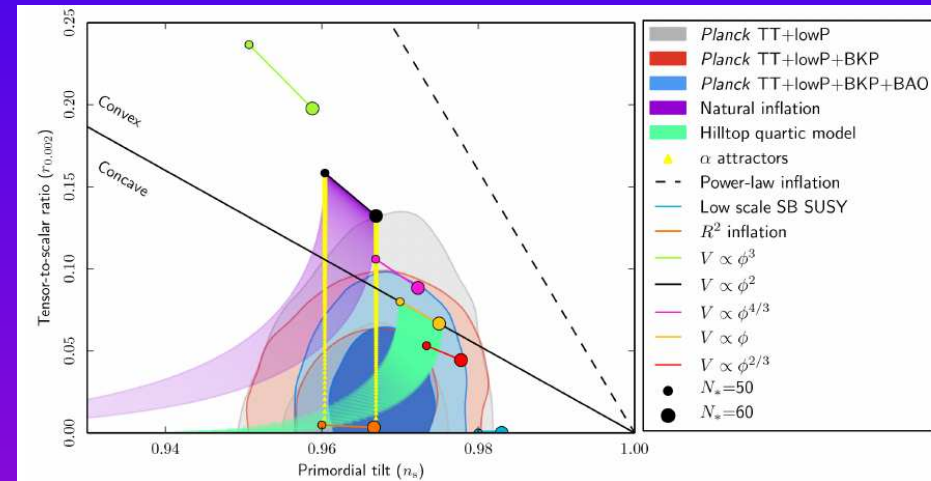
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[Planck & BICEP2 Collab's. 15, SDSS II Collab.

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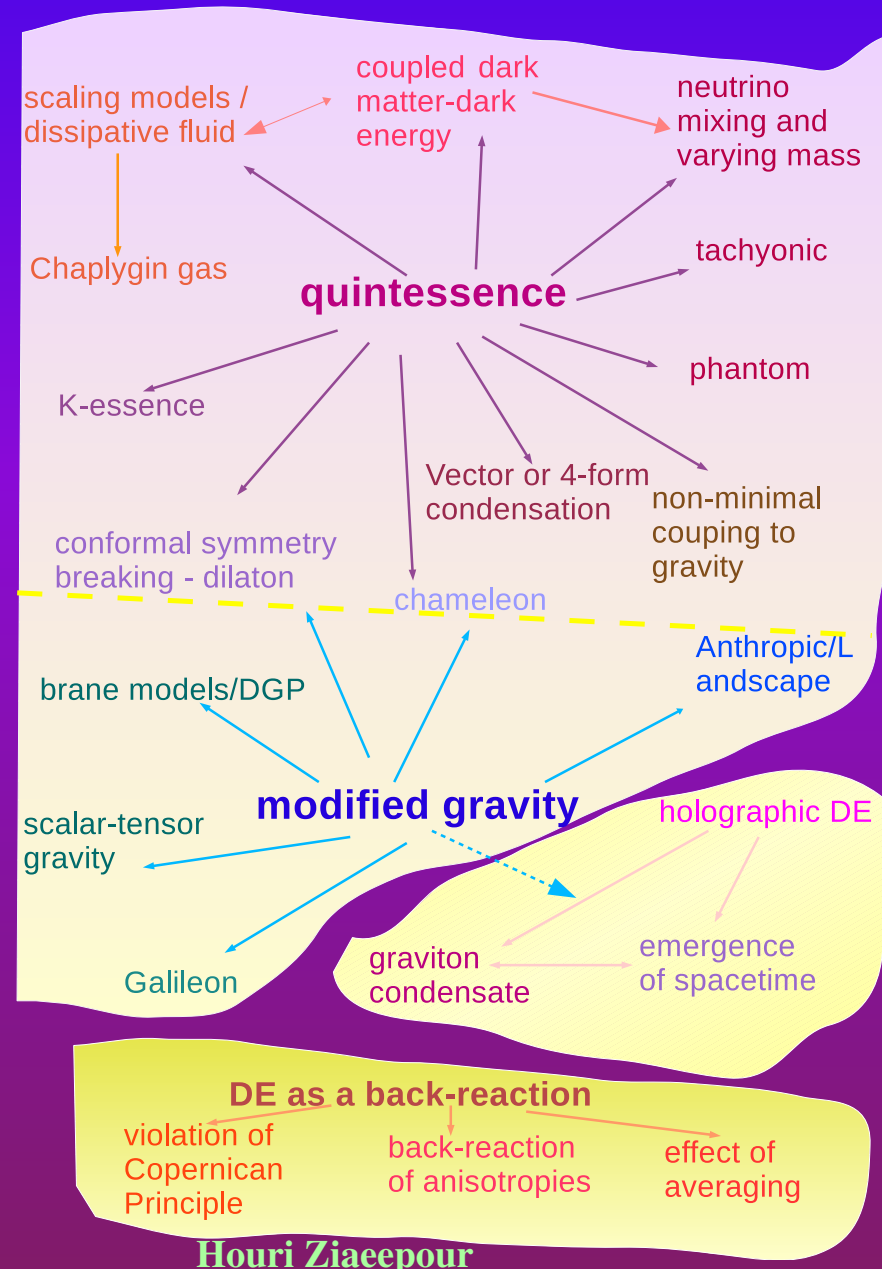
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# Universe is ruled by Quantum Mechanics !

- ★ Quantum aspects of inflation are studied more extendedly than for dark energy.
- ★ Studies are performed in the frame work of non-equilibrium quantum field theory.
  - ★ Correlation functions - Green's functions, power spectrum and non-Gaussianity [Vilenkin 83, Starobinsky & Yokoyama 94, Weinberg 06, Seery 07, Kühne & Schwarz 08, ]
  - ★ Effective potential of inflation and particle production, **directly observable** [Boyanovsky & de Vega 04, Yokoyama 04, Collins & Holman 05]
  - ★ Preheating and reheating [Yokoyama 95, 04, Garbrecht & Rigopoulos 11, Gautier & Serreau 13, ...]
- ★ Mostly studied for  $O(N)$  models;
- ★ Usually performed in de Sitter.

# Unsolved problems

★ Does the condensate survive the expansion ?

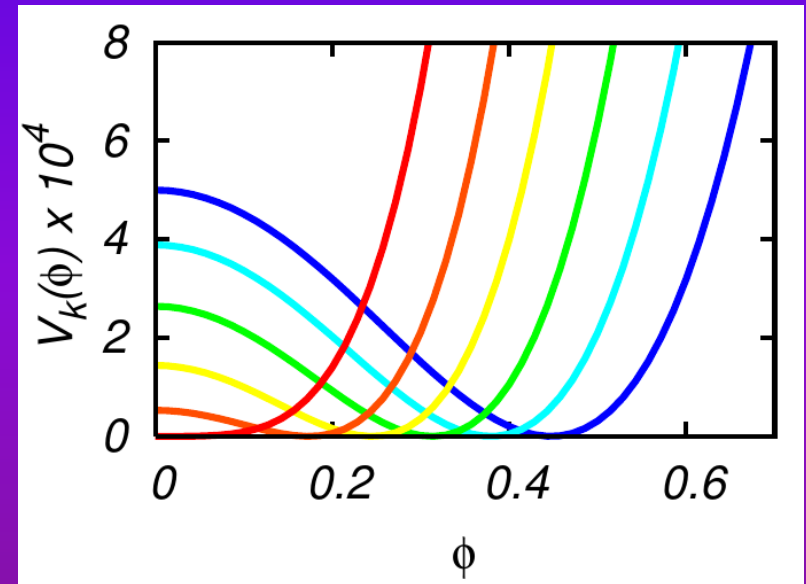
★ **Yes, and symmetry breaks** [Boyanovsky 12]

★ **No, and symmetry restored at the end** [Kaya 12, Lazzari & Prokorec 13, Serreau 13]

★ **IR singularities, specially for massless fields** [Starobinsky 79, Giddings & Sloth 10, Marlof & Morrison 10, Hollands 10, 11, Boyanovsky & Holman 11, Higuchi *et al.* 11]

★ Consistency with Planck depends on parameters and details of the model.

★ Relation between IR behaviour and survival of the condensate ? Not studied



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# Relation with dark energy

- ★ Many of these questions are relevant also for dark energy.
  - ★ **Survival of condensate is crucial for dark energy.**
- ★ It is more difficult to study the recent expansion:
  - ★ **Conformal symmetry** of de Sitter simplifies solution of equations, etc.
  - ★ Study of inflation in de Sitter is an idealization and does not include backreaction on the metric.
- ★ Evolution of inflation and dark energy models must be performed in a general FLRW geometry.

# Condensate and coherent states

- ★ **Condensate state**  $|\Psi\rangle$ :  $\langle\Phi\rangle \equiv \langle\Psi|\Phi|\Psi\rangle = \varphi(\mathbf{x})$
- ★ There is no general expression for condensate states.

- ★ **Coherent states:**

- ★ Eigen state of annihilation operator  $\mathbf{a}_\alpha$ :

$$\mathbf{a}_\alpha|\Psi\rangle = \mathbf{C}_\alpha|\Psi\rangle, \quad [\mathbf{a}_\alpha, \mathbf{a}'_\alpha{}^\dagger] = \delta_{\alpha\alpha'}, \quad \langle\Psi|\Phi|\Psi\rangle = \mathbf{C}_\alpha$$

- ★ **Glauber coherent state: Closest to classical QM quantum state [Zhang *et al.*90]:**

$$|\mathbf{C}_\alpha\rangle \equiv e^{-|\mathbf{C}_\alpha|^2} e^{\mathbf{C}_\alpha \mathbf{a}_\alpha^\dagger} = e^{-|\mathbf{C}_\alpha|^2} \sum_{\mathbf{i}=0} \mathbf{C}_\alpha^{\mathbf{i}} / \mathbf{i}! (\mathbf{a}_\alpha^\dagger)^{\mathbf{i}} \quad \mathbf{a}|\mathbf{C}_\alpha\rangle = \mathbf{C}_\alpha|\mathbf{C}_\alpha\rangle$$

- ★ It is superposition of infinite particles with finite energy.
- ★ **Generalization:** Multiple condensates:

$$|\Psi_{\text{GC}}\rangle \equiv \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}} e^{\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger} |\mathbf{0}\rangle = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k}} \sum_{\mathbf{i}=0}^{\mathbf{N} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{k}}^{\mathbf{i}}}{\mathbf{i}!} (\mathbf{a}_{\mathbf{k}}^\dagger)^{\mathbf{i}} |\mathbf{0}\rangle$$

- ★ A frame independent vacuum can be defined based on this state. **HZ arXiv:1205.3304**

# A toy model

## ★ Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L}_\Phi = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \Phi \partial_\nu \Phi - \frac{1}{2} m_\Phi^2 \Phi^2 - \frac{\lambda}{n} \Phi^n \right]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_X = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu X \partial_\nu X - \frac{1}{2} m_X^2 X^2 \right]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_A = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu A \partial_\nu A - \frac{1}{2} m_A^2 A^2 - \frac{\lambda'}{n'} A^{n'} \right]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} g \Phi X A,$$

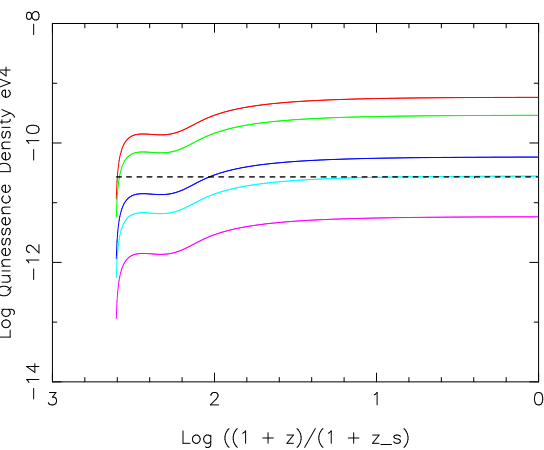
## ★ The fields present 3 physically important mass scales:

- ★ **X**: A heavy particle, e.g. inflaton or Planck-scale field, a super heavy decaying/interacting dark matter.
- ★ **A**: Medium mass particle - can be a collective notation, e.g. Standard Model particles.
- ★ **Φ**: An axion-like light field - Quintessence, dilaton, etc.



# Motivations

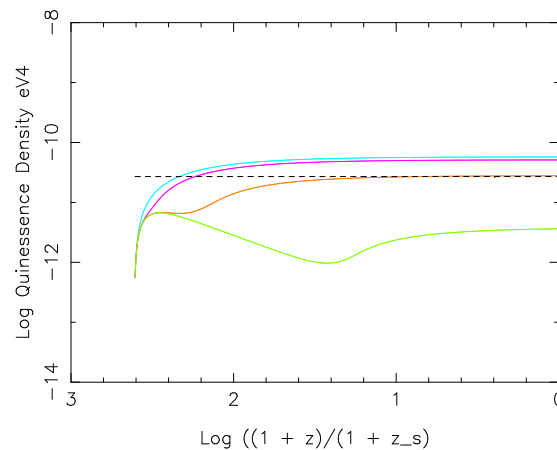
- ★ Quintessence field produced by the decay of dark matter;
- ★ Inherent correlation between dark matter and dark energy;
- ★ Solution for coincidence problem of dark energy;
- ★ In the context of inflation  $X$  can be an effective field from Planck scale physics.



$$\Gamma_0 = \Gamma_q / \Gamma = 10^{-16},$$

$$5\Gamma_0, 10\Gamma_0, 50\Gamma_0, 100\Gamma_0,$$

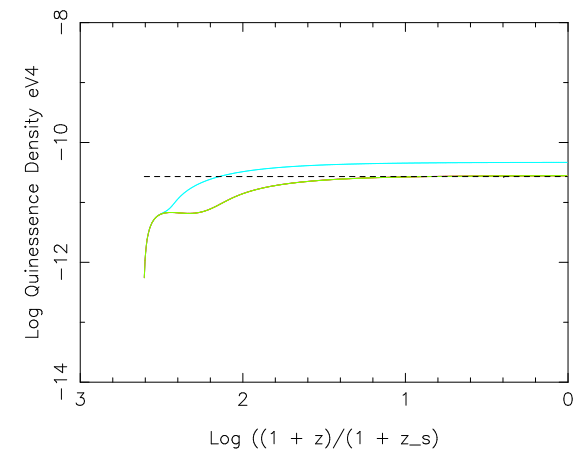
$$m_q = 10^{-6} \text{ eV}, \lambda = 10^{-20}.$$



$$m_q = 10^{-3} \text{ eV}, m_q = 10^{-5}$$

$$\text{eV}, m_q = 10^{-6} \text{ eV},$$

$$m_q = 10^{-8} \text{ eV}, \lambda = 10^{-20};$$



$$\lambda = 10^{-10}, \lambda = 10^{-15},$$

$$\lambda = 10^{-20}, \text{ and } \lambda = 10^{-25},$$

$$m_q = 10^{-6} \text{ eV}.$$

[HZ astro-ph/0308515, astro-ph/0312606, astro-ph/0406079]

# Decomposition

- ★ We decompose  $\Phi(\mathbf{x})$  to classical (condensate) and quantum components: [HZ hep-ph/0603125, arXiv:1003.2996]

$$\Phi(\mathbf{x}) = \varphi(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{I} + \phi(\mathbf{x}) \quad \langle \Phi \rangle \equiv \langle \Psi | \Phi | \Psi \rangle = \varphi(\mathbf{x}) \quad \langle \phi \rangle \equiv \langle \Psi | \phi | \Psi \rangle = 0$$

- ★ We assume that only  $\Phi(\mathbf{x})$  forms a condensate  $\implies \langle \mathbf{X} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{A} \rangle = 0$
- ★ Field equation for the condensate for model (a):

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{-g}} \partial_\mu (\sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu \varphi) + m_\Phi^2 \varphi + \frac{\lambda}{n} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (i+1) \binom{n}{i+1} \varphi^i \langle \phi^{n-i-1} \rangle - g \langle \mathbf{X} \mathbf{A} \rangle = 0$$

- ★ **Solution of this equation is the main goal.**
- ★ We must use non-equilibrium QFT methods such as Schwinger-Keldysh in-in method to calculate expectation values **which depend on the condensate field.**

# 2PI formalism

## ★ Evolution of exact propagators:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{-g}} \partial_\mu (\sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu + M_i^2(\mathbf{x})) G_i^F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) =$$

$$- \int_{-\infty}^{\mathbf{x}^0} d^4z \sqrt{-g(\mathbf{z})} \Pi_{ij}^\rho(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) G_{ij}^F(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}) + \int_{-\infty}^{\mathbf{y}^0} d^4z \sqrt{-g(\mathbf{z})} \Pi_{ij}^F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) G_{ij}^\rho(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y})$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{-g}} \partial_\mu (\sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu + M_i^2(\mathbf{x})) G_i^\rho(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = - \int_{\mathbf{y}^0}^{\mathbf{x}^0} d^4z \sqrt{-g(\mathbf{z})} \Pi_{ij}^\rho(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) G_{ij}^\rho(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y})$$

$$M_\Phi^2(\mathbf{x}) = m_\Phi^2 + \frac{-i\lambda}{(n-2)!} \sum_{j=0}^{[n/2]-1} C_{2j}^{n-2} C_2^{2j} \varphi^{n-2ij}(\mathbf{x}) (G_\Phi^F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}))^j, \quad M_{X,A}^2 = m_{X,A}^2$$

$$\Pi(\varphi, \mathbf{G}) \equiv 2i \frac{\partial \Gamma_2[\varphi, \mathbf{G}]}{\partial \mathbf{G}}$$

- ★ **Approximations:** Free propagators, lowest order 2PI corrections for condensate.
- ★ They allow analytical solutions when cosmology is evolved separately.

# Simplified Analysis for Radiation and Matter Domination Epochs

★ **Matter domination:** The condensate grows exponentially.

★ **Matter domination epoch:** Solutions without self-interaction or linearized decrease asymptotically:  $\varphi_{\mathbf{k}} \propto t_0/t$  meaning the condensate does not survive.

★ **Full nonlinear equations include terms similar to an effective potential with negative power.**

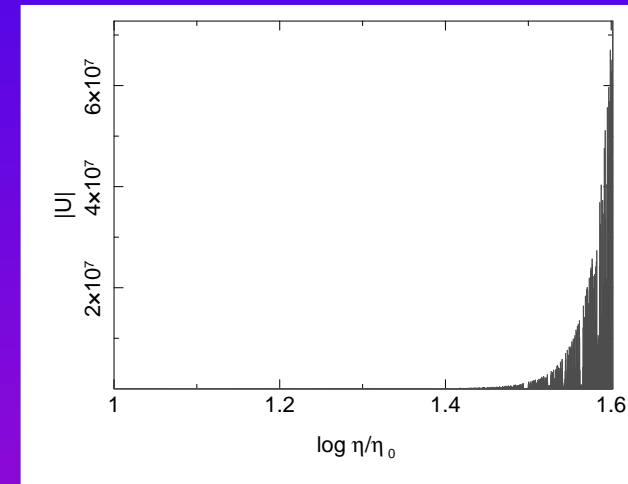
★ **Necessary condition for tracking solutions [Weterisch 89, Steinhardt *et al.*99, Brax *et al.*00, 01]:**

$$\Gamma \equiv V''V/V'^2 > 1$$

$$V(\Phi) \propto \Phi^n \implies \Gamma = n(n-1)/n^2 > 1, \quad n < 0$$

★ **Quantum correction terms of order  $i$  have negative component and roughly constant coefficient if [HZ arXiv:1003.2996]:**

$$17 - 6n + 2i \geq 0, \quad i < n - 1$$



# Cosmological evolution in 2PI

- We use semi-classical Einstein equation [Ramsey & Hu 97]:

$$\mathbf{R}_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu}\mathbf{R} = 8\pi\mathbf{G}\mathbf{T}_{\mu\nu}^{\text{eff}}$$

- The effective energy-momentum tensor  $\mathbf{T}_{\mu\nu}^{\text{eff}}$  is calculated from effective action:

$$\Gamma_{\text{eff}} = \mathbf{S}_{\text{cl}}(\varphi) + \mathbf{i}/2(\text{tr}\mathbf{G}^{-1} + \text{tr}\mathbf{G}_0^{-1}\mathbf{G}) + \Gamma_2(\varphi, \mathbf{G})$$

- Lowest order diagrams contributing [HZ arXiv:1502.04308, HZ *et al.*(in preparation)]

$$\Gamma_2 = \sum_{i=2}^n N_1 \left[ \text{Diagram 1} \right] + \sum_{i=2}^n N_2 \left[ \text{Diagram 2} \right] + \left[ \text{Diagram 3} \right]$$

Diagram 1: A diagram with two nested loops. The outer loop is labeled "i/2 loops" and the inner loop is labeled  $\lambda\varphi^{n-1}$ .

Diagram 2: A diagram with two vertices labeled  $\lambda\varphi^{n-i}$  connected by  $i-1$  loops.

Diagram 3: A diagram with two vertices labeled  $g$  connected by a dashed line labeled  $A$  and a solid line labeled  $X$ , with a  $\phi$  label below the  $X$  line.

$$N_1 = C_i^n i!!$$

$$N_2 = i!(C_i^n)^2$$

$$\mathbf{T}^{00} = \mathbf{T}_{\text{cl}}^{00}(\varphi) + \mathbf{M}^2 \mathbf{i}\mathbf{G}$$

- Apriori a condensate is not necessary for accelerating expansion, but Planck results may need it.

# Initial conditions

- ★ Solutions of field equations depend on two integration constants  $C_k$ ,  $D_k$  which define the **vacuum** of the model.

- ★ Quantization imposes:

$$|C_k|^2 + |D_k|^2 = 1 \quad \text{They cannot be both null for any value of } k.$$

- ★ Considering  $T_{cl}^{00}(t_0) = 0$ , **wave function renormalization** condition:

$$\frac{2}{(2\pi)^3 \sqrt{-g(t_0)}} \int d^3k \omega_k^2 |u_k(t_0)|^2 = \frac{3H^2(t_0)}{8\pi G_N}$$

- ★  $H \neq 0 \implies$  **Universe could never be static.**

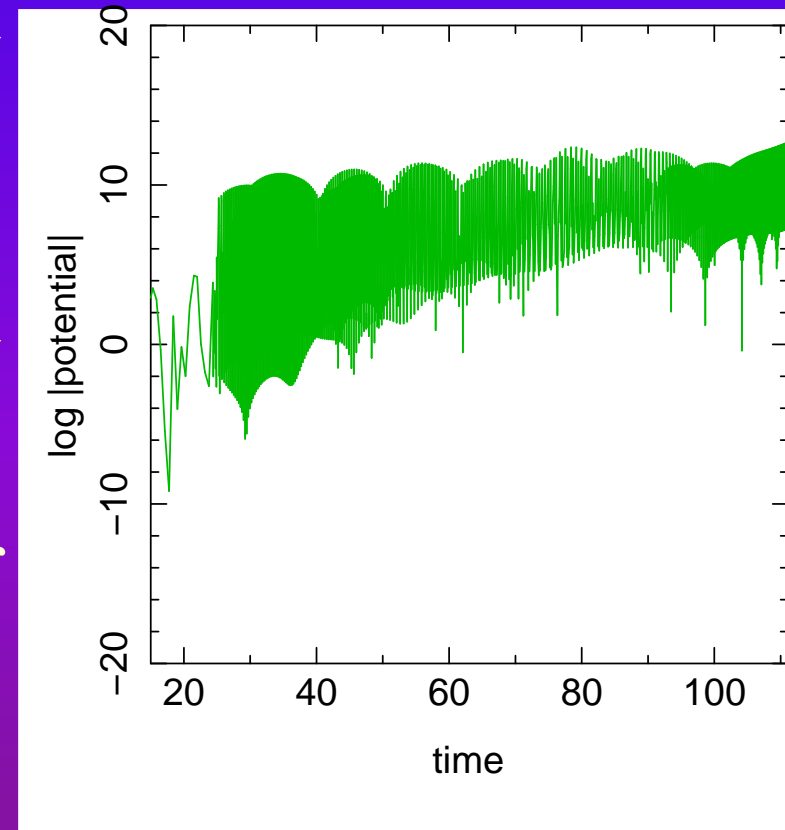
- ★ In semi-classical gravity,  $H$  is identified with Hubble function.

- ★ In inflation models  $H(t_0) \sim 10^{(-3)-(-6)} M_P$   $3H^2(t_0)/8\pi G_N \gg \rho_{de}(t_{\text{present}})$   
[Schwarz *et al.*11].

- ★ **The initial value - related to Planck scale physics - cannot be the Dark Energy.**

# Condensation in Early Universe

- ★ Preliminary results are consistent with formation of a condensate with small variations.
- ★ Interaction between condensate and non-condensed (particles) is crucial for backreaction process, control of geometry, and decoherence.
- ★ Full consideration of backreactions in presence of very high number densities is non-perturbative:
- ★ Renormalization group technique [Kaya 12, Serreau 13]
- ★ A method similar to Color Glass Condensate used in small-x regime of QCD [McLerran & Venugopalan 94] and in extra-dimension curved spacetimes [HZ hep-ph/0407046, hep-ph/0412314]



# Outline

- ★ The present expansion of the Universe may be due to quantum superposition and coherence at cosmological distances.
- ★ In this framework the origin of inflation and dark energy may be the same, but this is not a necessity.
- ★ Better theoretical and simulations are necessary to investigate relation between dark energy and inflation.
- ★ According to a definition of what we call *modified gravity*, it is possible to observationally verify whether scalar field responsible for present accelerating expansion belongs to gravity or matter sector [HZ arXiv:1112.6025].
- ★ Along with CMB and LSS findings in other domains of astro-particle physics such as UHECRs, dark matter direct and accelerator physics may be necessary to pin down the nature of dark energy. [HZ arXiv:0709.0115]