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Toward a stochastic description of reheating

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 $(\mathbf{p})^a_b = 2\Gamma^a_{bc}\phi^{c\,\prime} + 3H\delta^a_b$ $(\mathbf{m})^a_b = (G^{ac}V_{,c})_{,b} + \Gamma^a_{cd,b}\phi^{c\,\prime}\phi^{d\,\prime}$

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A random walk (with drift) for the occupation number

$$n_a(j) = \frac{1}{2\omega_a} \left(|\dot{\chi}_j^a|^2 + \omega_a^2 |\chi_j^a|^2 \right) - \frac{1}{2} = |\beta_j^a|^2$$

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(Fokker-Planck)

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The Maximum Entropy Ansatz

Assume the building block P maximizes the Shannon entropy

$$S[P] = -\int P(\mathbf{M}_2; \delta\tau) \ln P(\mathbf{M}_2; \delta\tau) \, d\mu(\mathbf{M}_2)$$

subject to the constraints:

* The local mean particle production rate is known and fixed, $\mu_j\equiv$

$$k_j \equiv rac{1}{N_{
m f}} \, rac{\langle n_j
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• Coarse-grained continuity, $\mathbf{M}_{\tau+\delta\tau} \xrightarrow{\delta \tau o 0} \mathbf{M}_{\tau}$

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3 A closed set of equations for the moments of $n = \sum_a n_a$ can be obtained. It implies

$$\partial_{\tau} \langle \ln(1+n) \rangle \xrightarrow{\tau \to \infty} \frac{2N_{\rm f}}{N_{\rm f}+1} \mu$$

$$\partial_{\tau} \operatorname{Var}[\ln(1+n)] \xrightarrow{\tau \to \infty} \frac{4}{N_{\mathrm{f}}+1} \mu$$

i.e. exponential growth for the occupation number

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Consider the approximation

$$m^{
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where au_j are uniformly distributed, and

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Will focus on the total occupation number. Define $\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{M}^{\dagger}$:

$$n(j) = \frac{1}{4} \operatorname{Tr} \left[\mathbf{M}(j) \mathbf{M}^{\dagger}(j) - \mathbb{1} \right] \equiv \frac{1}{4} \operatorname{Tr} \left[\mathbf{R}(j) - \mathbb{1} \right]$$

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4 Write and solve the FP equation

Single field

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 $\langle (\Lambda_{11})^2 \rangle_{\delta\tau} = \sigma_1^2 , \qquad \langle (\Lambda_{22})^2 \rangle_{\delta\tau} = \sigma_2^2 , \qquad \langle (\Lambda_{12})^2 \rangle_{\delta\tau} = \langle (\Lambda_{12})^2 \rangle_{\delta\tau} = \sigma_{\perp}^2 .$

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 $\langle \delta \theta^{(1)} \delta \phi^{(1)} \rangle = \frac{1}{4\Delta f} \left[\left(f_1 \frac{\tilde{f}_2}{\tilde{f}_1} - f_2 \frac{\tilde{f}_1}{\tilde{f}_2} \right) (\sigma_1^2 - \sigma_2^2) \sin \theta + 4 \left(f_1 \frac{\tilde{f}_2}{\tilde{f}_1} + f_2 \frac{\tilde{f}_1}{\tilde{f}_1} \right) \right]$ $\langle \delta \psi^{(1)} \delta \psi^{(1)} \rangle = \frac{1}{4} \left[\left(\frac{f_1}{f_1} \right)^2 \gamma_1(\theta) + \left(\frac{f_2}{f_1} \right)^2 \gamma_2(\theta) \right] e^{f_1 f_2}$ $(1 - \sigma_2^2) \left[5(f_1 - f_2) + \left(\tilde{f}_1 \frac{f_2}{L} - \tilde{f}_2 \frac{f_1}{L} \right) \cos(2\psi) \right],$ $J \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{f_1}{f_1} - \frac{f_2}{f_2} \right) \cos \theta - \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{f_1}{f_1} + \frac{f_2}{f_2} - 2 \frac{f_1}{f_1} \frac{f_2}{f_2} \cos(2\psi) \right] \gamma_3(\theta),$ $1 - \sigma_2^2 \sin \theta - \frac{1}{2} \sin(2\theta) \left(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 - 3\sigma_1^2 \right) + \frac{1}{\Delta t} \left(\langle \delta f_2^{(1)} \delta \theta^{(1)} \rangle - \langle \delta f_1^{(1)} \delta \theta^{(1)} \rangle \right) + \frac{1}{4} \sin(2\theta) \langle \delta \varphi^{(1)} \delta \varphi^{(1)} \rangle_{,-}$ $\frac{\hbar}{8} \left(\frac{\hbar}{h_{c}} + \frac{\tilde{h}}{\tilde{h}} \right) \left(\sigma_{1}^{2} + \sigma_{2}^{2} - 2\sigma_{\perp}^{2} \right) \sin^{2} \theta \sin(2\psi) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\hbar}{\theta} (\delta_{1}^{(1)} \delta \phi^{(1)}) - \frac{\hbar}{\theta} (\delta_{2}^{(1)} \delta \phi^{(1)}) \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\hbar}{\theta} (\delta_{1}^{(1)} \delta \psi^{(1)}) + \frac{\hbar}{\theta} (\delta_{2}^{(1)} \delta \psi^{(1)}) \right)$ $-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\tilde{f}_{1}}{\tilde{L}}-\frac{\tilde{f}_{2}}{\tilde{L}}\right)\left[\frac{1}{4}\left(\langle\delta\varphi^{(1)}\delta\varphi^{(1)}\rangle\sin^{2}\theta-\langle\delta\theta^{(1)}\delta\theta^{(1)}\rangle\right)\sin 2\psi+\frac{1}{2}\langle\delta\varphi^{(1)}\delta\theta^{(1)}\rangle\sin\theta\cos 2\psi\right]$

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