On the realization of the supersymetric Starobinsky inflation with higher order corrections

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CMB observation by Planck seems to be support Starobinsky's R² inflation model...



Recent BICEP2 B-mode data ruled out R² inflation?



However...

Towards an Understanding of Foregrounds in the BICEP2 Region

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Steve Choi, Aurelien Fraisse, Colin Hill, Lyman Page, Suzanne Staggs, and David Spergel index and seems to have been ignored

Conclusions

CEP has provided us with the deepest maps of any patch of e sky at 150 GHz and has detected degree scale B-modes

ccording to all estimates, foregrounds may be small enough to etect a (large) primordial signal at 150 GHz without reground subtraction, but the uncertainty on foregrounds is rge and measurements at other frequencies (especially above 0 GHz e.g. from Planck) seem important for a definitive easurement



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i.e. inflation with a very flat potential

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This determines other observables;

Scalar spectral index: $n_s \simeq 0.960 - 0.966$ Tensor-to-scalar ratio: $r \simeq 3 \times 10^{-3}$

Good agreement with Planck data



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Consider the terms expected in Supergravity and compare with observation.

- Initial condition problem?

Relatively small potential energy requires large homogeneous region that satisfies $(\partial_i \phi)^2 \ll V (\ll M_{\rm Pl}^4)$ for inflation to start.

chaotic initial condition does not work.

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Once more, it is easy to see the system in terms of the scalaron picture.

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This is just the system with

Kähler potential: $K = T + T - C\overline{C}$ Superpotential: $W = C\left(T - \frac{1}{2}\right)$

By rewriting scalaron multiplet as

$$\Gamma = \frac{1}{2} \exp[\sqrt{2/3}\phi] + ib$$



and setting C = b = 0,

canonically normalized scalaron with a potential

$$V = \frac{6}{\lambda_1} \left(1 - \exp\left[-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\frac{\phi}{M_{\rm Pl}}\right] \right)^2$$

is obtained.

of R²model !! ('13) Farakos+

Surely supersymmetrization

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or in more familier expression,

$$\mathcal{L} = \int d^2 \Theta 2\mathcal{E} \left[\frac{3}{8} \left(\bar{\mathcal{D}} \bar{\mathcal{D}} - 8\mathcal{R} \right) e^{-K/3} + W \right] + \text{h.c.}$$
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with the same Kähler/superpotential

Additional term modifies the F-term of C field, and the resultant potential for scalaron ϕ is, now,

$$V(\phi) = \frac{3\lambda_1^2}{16\xi} e^{-2\sqrt{2/3}\phi} X(X-1)$$

with

$$X = \begin{cases} \cosh m & \text{for } \xi > 0, \\ \cos \tilde{m} & \text{for } \xi < 0 \end{cases}$$
$$m = \frac{1}{3} \cosh^{-1} \left[144s((e^{\sqrt{2/3}\phi} - 1)^2 + 4b^2) + 1 \right]$$
$$\tilde{m} = \frac{1}{3} \cos^{-1} \left[144s((e^{\sqrt{2/3}\phi} - 1)^2 + 4b^2) + 1 \right]$$
$$s \equiv \frac{\xi}{\lambda_1^3}.$$

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More quantitatively, look at the observational constraint. KK, in prep.

-5 - 5 $\xi < 0$ $\xi > 0$ -6 -6 r=0.001 Log ₁₀ [|s|] $\log_{10}[s]$ $n_s = 0.949$ -7 -7 $n_s = 0.977$ $n_s = 0.956$ r=0.004 r=0.003 $n_s = 0.970$ $n_s = 0.963$ - 8 -8 r=0.0036 $A_s = 3A_s^{obs}$ $A_s = A_s^{obs}$ $A_s = A_s^{obs} / 3$ $A_s = 3A_s^{obs}$ $A_s = A_s^{obs}$ $A_s = A_s^{\text{obs}} / 3$ -q10.5 11.0 11.5 10.0 12.0 11.0 11.5 12.0 10.0 10.5 $Log_{10}[\lambda_1/M_{pl}^{-2}]$ $\text{Log}_{10}[\lambda_1/M_{pl}^{-2}]$

Courtesy H.Oide

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However, in the case $\xi > 0$ there is domain wall solution.



Is topological inflation possinle?

It is known that for the double well potential

$$V = \frac{\lambda}{4} (\phi^2 - v^2)^2$$

topological inflation, or inflation that starts from inside domain-wall is possible if $v>1.7M_{\rm pl}$. ('96)Sakai+

And the present potential is much flatter than double well potential with $\phi_{\rm max} > 6 M_{\rm Pl}$.



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 $H\delta \simeq 0.22 s^{-1/6}$

This circumstantial evidence strongly suggests that topological inflation will take place in this potential if the parameter is small enough to explain the observation.

Conclusion

- R² inflation is still an interesting inflation model.
- Its supersymmetrization would be the clue to find its origin.
- The lowest correction corresponds to R^4 correction, and Planck observation gives a strong constraint as $|s| < 9x10^{-8}$, which will be an important information for the physics behind the model.
- But if this constraint is passed, topological inflation is possible and hence there is no initial condition problem.