

# Effective field theory of inflation in Lifshitz regime of gravity

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# Lifshitz regime of gravity

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## Non-reormalizability of GR

$$M_{pl}^2 \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} R \quad \xrightarrow{\quad} \quad M_{pl}^2 \int d^4x [(\partial h)^2 + \overbrace{h(\partial h)^2} \text{irrelevant op.} \dots]$$

$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}$

Isotropic scaling  $t \rightarrow b^{-1}t, x^i \rightarrow b^{-1}x^i \quad \xrightarrow{\quad} \quad h \rightarrow b h$

## Power counting renormalizability

*Horava(09)*

$$S \sim \int dt d^3x (\dot{h}^2 - h(-\Delta)^z h + \dots)$$

Lifshitz scaling  $t \rightarrow b^{-z}t, x^i \rightarrow b^{-1}x^i \quad \xrightarrow{\quad} \quad h \rightarrow b^{(3-z)/2} h$

e.g.  $z=3$ , scaling dim. of  $h = 0$        $h^p \times h(-\Delta)^3 h$       relevant

# Effective field theory

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gravity sector

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Yet, soft limit in Lifshitz regime shows universal behaviour.

$$M_* \ll \omega/a \ll H_{\text{inf}}$$

# Lifshitz scalar w/o metric perturbations

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$$\mathcal{L}_\varphi \sim \frac{a^3}{2} \left( \dot{\varphi}^2 - \frac{\omega^2}{a^2} \varphi^2 \right) \quad \text{Mukohyama(09),...}$$

dispersion relation  $\omega^2 \sim p^2 \left( \frac{p}{aM_*} \right)^{2(z-1)} \quad z=1,2, \dots$

at  $\omega_p/a_p \sim H_p$   $P_{\text{LS}}(p) \sim \frac{1}{a_p^2} \frac{1}{2\omega_p} \sim \frac{M_*^{3(z-1)/z}}{p^3} H_p^{\frac{3}{z}-1}$

## GW spectrum

$$P_{\text{GW}}(p) \sim \frac{1}{p^3} \left( \frac{H_p}{M_{\text{pl}}} \right)^{\frac{3}{z}-1} \quad n_t \simeq -\frac{3-z}{z} \varepsilon_{1,p} \quad \text{no-tilt for } z=3$$

# Including gravity

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4D Diff.  $\longrightarrow$  Foliation preserving Diff  $t \rightarrow t'(t)$

- Khronon (Scalar graviton): DOF for time foliation
- Inflaton

Spatial metric

$$h_{ij} = a^2 e^{2\mathcal{R}} \delta_{ij}$$

$\mathcal{R}$  : Khronon

Dilatation sym.

$$\mathbf{x} \rightarrow e^s \mathbf{x}$$

$$\mathcal{R} - s$$

Naive guess

Two massless fields  $(\phi, \mathcal{R})$  ?

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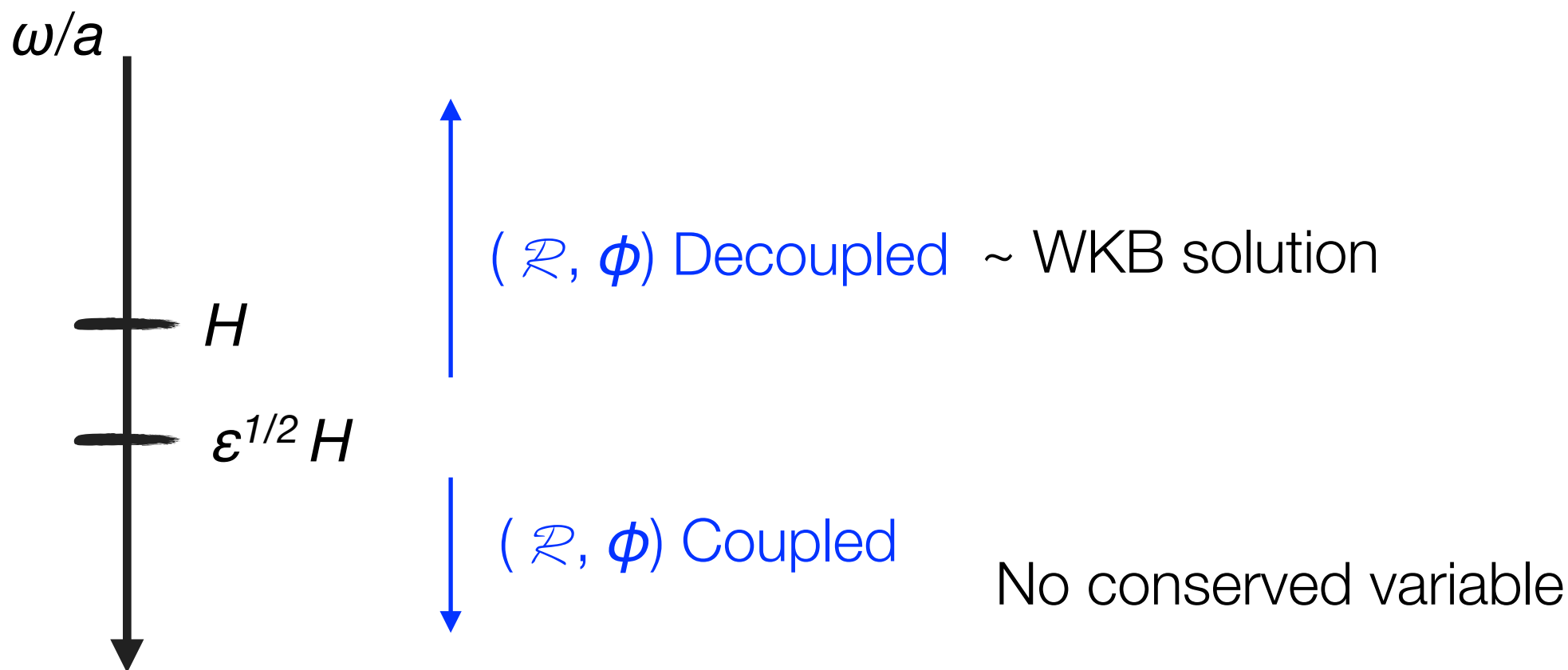
- Absence of conserved variable at large scales?
- Model dependent prediction?

# Projectable version ( $z \neq 1$ )

$$N = N(t)$$

Khronon  $\mathcal{R}$  and Inflaton  $\phi$  starts to be coupled,  
where gravity becomes important.

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No robust predictions

Non-projectable version

$$N = N(t, x^i)$$

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EoM for  $\mathcal{R}$  becomes non-local, since  $N$  is non-local.

Taking de Sitter limit

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{R}} \sim M_{pl}^2 a^3 \left[ \frac{\alpha(\omega/aH)^2}{1 + \alpha^2(\omega/aH)^2} \dot{\mathcal{R}}^2 - \frac{\omega^2}{a^2} \left( C + (\omega/aH)^2 \right) \mathcal{R}^2 \right]$$

dispersion relation       $\omega^2 \sim p^2 \left( \frac{p}{aM_*} \right)^{2(z-1)}$

- Lifshitz scaling regime, i.e.,  $H > M_*$        $C=O(1)$

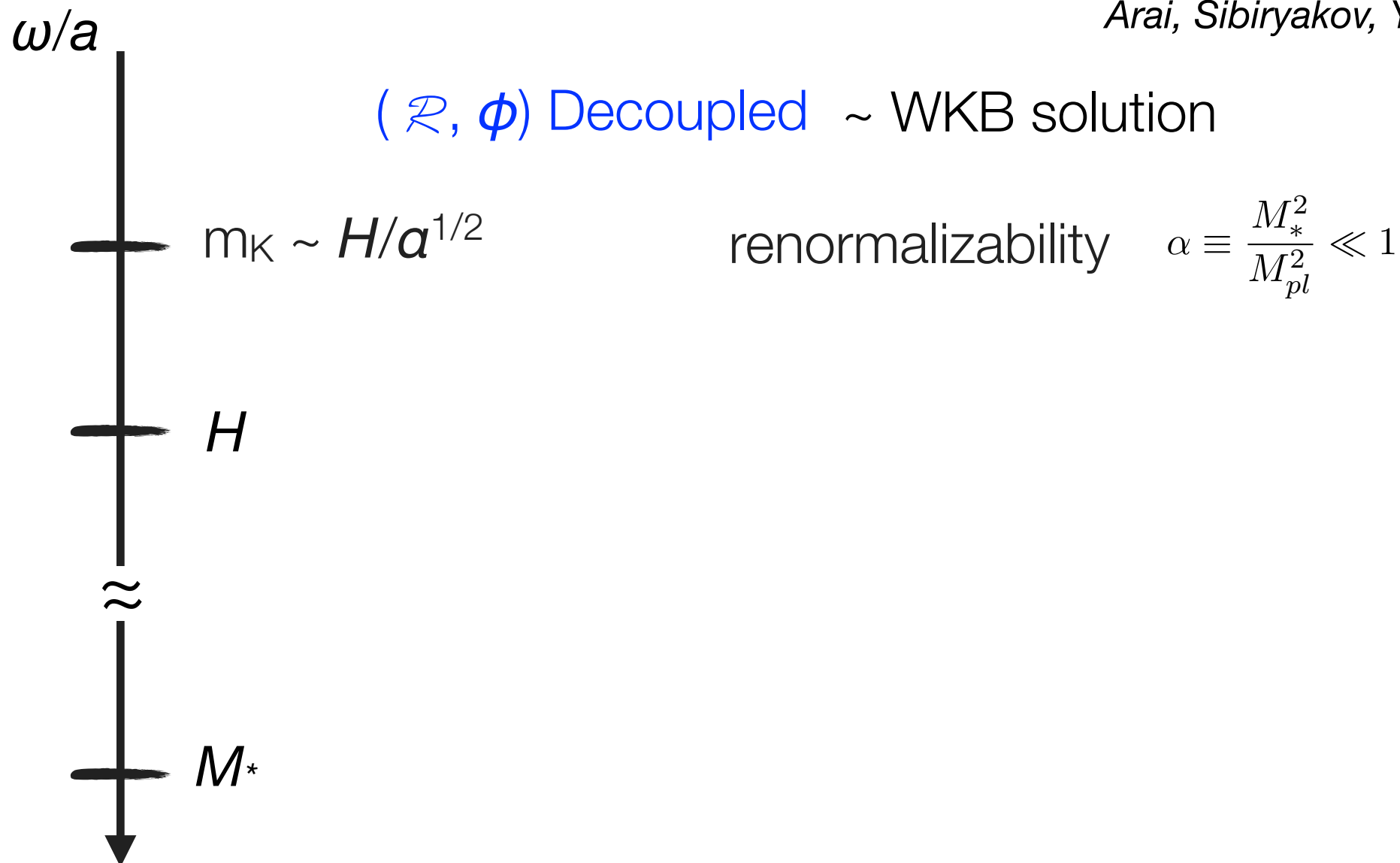
For  $\omega/a < H/a^{1/2}$ , Khronon is gapped by  $m_K \sim H/a^{1/2}$



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$\omega/a$



$(\mathcal{R}, \phi)$  Decoupled  $\sim$  WKB solution

$m_K \sim H/a^{1/2}$

renormalizability  $\alpha \equiv \frac{M_*^2}{M_{pl}^2} \ll 1$

Khronon decoupled from inflaton sector

$\exists$  Conserved variable  $\zeta \equiv \mathcal{R} - \frac{H}{\dot{\phi}} \varphi$

$P_\zeta(p) \simeq \frac{1}{\epsilon_1 M_{pl}^2} P_{LS}(p) \simeq \frac{1}{\epsilon_1 p^3} \left( \frac{H_p}{M_{pl}} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}-1}$

# Primordial power spectrum

## Spectral index

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$$n_s - 1 = -\frac{3-z}{z}\varepsilon_1 - \varepsilon_2 + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$$

## Tensor to scalar ratio

$$r = 16\varepsilon_1 \left( \frac{\mathcal{H}_z}{\mathcal{H}_{\gamma,z}} \right)^{\frac{3}{2z} + \frac{\varepsilon_1}{2(z-\varepsilon_1)}} \left( \frac{3}{z} - 1 \right)$$

$$\omega_\phi^2 \sim \kappa_z p^2 \left( \frac{p}{aM_*} \right)^{2(z-1)}$$

$$\omega_\gamma^2 \sim \kappa_{\gamma,z} p^2 \left( \frac{p}{aM_*} \right)^{2(z-1)}$$

## Consistency relation

$$n_t = -\frac{3-z}{z-\varepsilon_1} \frac{r}{16} \left( \frac{\mathcal{H}_{\gamma,z}}{\mathcal{H}_z} \right)^{\frac{3}{2z} + \frac{\varepsilon_1}{2(z-\varepsilon_1)}} \left( \frac{3}{z} - 1 \right)$$

*Creminelli et al.(14)*

N.B.  $\exists$  4D Diff  $n_t = -\frac{r}{8c_s}$  for  $c_s < 1$ ,  $-n_t > r/8$

Violation of consistency relation  $\rightarrow c_s > 1$  or ~~4D Diff.~~

# Anti-friction of Khronon

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For  $H > M_*$  ,  $\omega/a < m_K$

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$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{R}} \sim M_*^2 a^3 \left( \frac{\omega}{aH} \right)^2 \left[ \dot{\mathcal{R}}^2 - m_K^2 \mathcal{R}^2 \right] \quad \omega^2 \sim p^2 \left( \frac{p}{aM_*} \right)^{2(z-1)}$$

- Khronon  $\mathcal{R}$ , canonically normalised in UV

Grows due to anti-friction as  $\mathcal{R} \propto a^{\frac{2z-3}{2}} e^{-im_K t}$

- Canonical field in IR is  $\mathcal{R}_c \sim M_* \frac{\omega}{aH} \mathcal{R}$

No exponential growth

Changing foliation removes the anti-friction.

# Summary

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- Examined inflation in Lifshitz regime of gravity with  $H > M^*$
- In non-projectable ver. ( $H \gg M^*$ ), Khronon gets gapped with  $m_K \gg H$  before the Hubble crossing.



$P_\zeta(p)$ ,  $P_{\text{GW}}(p)$  are robustly determined by the scaling.

- In projectable ver. and non-projectable ver. ( $H < M^*$ ), need to solve mixed system w/ two light scalar fields.
- Violation of consistency relation indicates either super-luminal propagation or violation of 4D Diff.