

# Rethinking Time at the Big Bang

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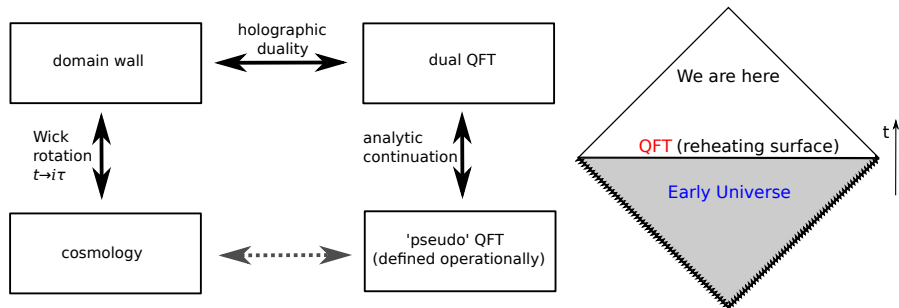


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# Model Description



# Dual QFT Lagrangian (arXiv 1001.2007)

- models are defined by the dual QFT
- use a superrenormalizable (3D Euclidean) QFT

$$S = \frac{1}{g_{YM}} \int d^3x \operatorname{tr} \left[ \frac{1}{2} F_{ij}^I F^{Iij} + \frac{1}{2} (D\phi^J)^2 + \frac{1}{2} (D\chi^K)^2 + \psi^L \not{D} \psi^L \right. \\ \left. + \lambda_{M_1 M_2 M_3 M_4} \Phi^{M_1} \Phi^{M_2} \Phi^{M_3} \Phi^{M_4} + \mu_{ML_1 L_2}^{\alpha\beta} \Phi^M \psi_\alpha^{L_1} \psi_\beta^{L_2} \right]$$

- dimensions:  $g_{YM}^2$ ,  $\phi$ ,  $A = 1$ ;  $\psi = \frac{3}{2}$
- $SU(N)$ ,  $N \sim 10^4$ ; parameters are:
  - ▶ number of various fields:  $N$ ,  $N_\phi$ ,  $N_\chi$ ,  $N_\psi$
  - ▶ coupling constants:  $\lambda_{M_1 M_2 M_3 M_4}$ ,  $\mu_{ML_1 L_2}^{\alpha\beta}$ ,  $g_{YM}$

# Modified Spectrum

- difference between models given by primordial power spectra

$$A = A_0 \left( \frac{q}{q_*} \right)^{(n_s-1) + \frac{n_{run}}{2} \ln\left(\frac{q}{q_*}\right)} \rightarrow A = A_0 \frac{1}{1 + (gq_*/q) \ln(q/\beta gq_*)}$$

- all parameters are the same except  $g$  and  $\ln(\beta)$  instead of  $n_s$  (and  $n_{run}$ ) define shape of power spectrum

The holographic cosmology perturbation expansion is expected to break down at low  $l$  values for large  $|g|$ , when  $\left| \frac{gq_*}{q} \right|$  becomes large.

## Best Fit Parameters

	HC		$\Lambda$ CDM	
	best fit	68% range	best fit	68% range
$\Omega_b h^2$	0.02217	$0.02215 \pm 0.00021$	0.02231	$0.02229 \pm 0.00022$
$\Omega_c h^2$	0.1173	$0.1172 \pm 0.0012$	0.1184	$0.1186 \pm 0.0012$
$100\theta$	1.04112	$1.04115 \pm 0.00042$	1.04108	$1.04105 \pm 0.00041$
$\tau$	0.081	$0.082 \pm 0.013$	0.069	$0.068 \pm 0.013$
$10^9 \Delta_0^2$	2.126	$2.126 \pm 0.058$	2.151	$2.149 \pm 0.054$
$n_s$			0.9682	$0.9671 \pm 0.0045$
$\alpha_s$			-0.0027	$-0.0030 \pm 0.0074$
$g$	-0.0070	$-0.0074^{+0.0014}_{-0.0013}$		
$\ln \beta$	0.88	$0.87^{+0.19}_{-0.24}$		
$\chi^2$	11324.5		11319.6	

- $\Delta\chi^2 = 4.8$ , difference in likelihood  $\sim 2.2\sigma$
- $\left| \frac{gq^*}{q} \right| = 2.5$ , so expansion expected to be invalid when  $l < 35$



## Best Fit Parameters for $l > 30$

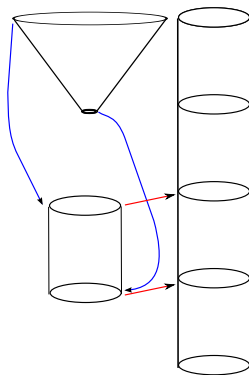
	HC		$\Lambda$ CDM	
	best fit	68% range	best fit	68% range
$\Omega_b h^2$	0.02204	$0.02202 \pm 0.00022$	0.02217	$0.02212 \pm 0.00024$
$\Omega_c h^2$	0.1187	$0.1187 \pm 0.0014$	0.1186	$0.1188 \pm 0.0013$
$100\theta$	1.04097	$1.04099 \pm 0.00042$	1.04101	$1.04100 \pm 0.00041$
$\tau$	0.067	$0.066 \pm 0.017$	0.0695	$0.067 \pm 0.016$
$10^9 \Delta_0^2$	2.044	$2.043 \pm 0.074$	2.151	$2.139 \pm 0.066$
$n_s$			0.9682	$0.9666 \pm 0.0047$
$\alpha_s$			0.0083	$0.0090 \pm 0.0094$
$g$	-0.0130	$-0.0127^{+0.0042}_{-0.0038}$		
$\ln \beta$	1.01	$0.90^{+0.32}_{-0.16}$		
$\chi^2$	824.0		823.5	

- Here,  $\Delta\chi^2 = 0.5$ , meaning the difference is negligible.

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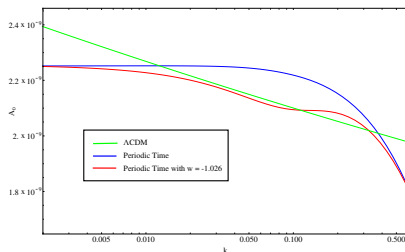
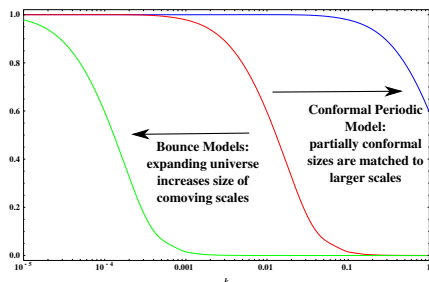
# Cyclic Models

- conception - taking cyclic model and making it exactly periodic
- will use a conformal matching similar to Penrose's Conformal Cyclic Cosmology (CCC)



# Transfer Function

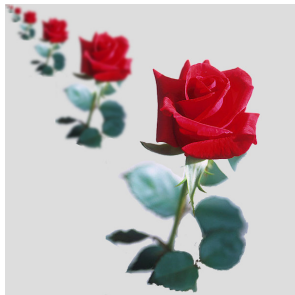
- model matches large scales (with low  $k$ ) of old spectrum to visible scales in new spectrum



Penrose's CCC, like other cyclic models and inflation, match in the other direction, taking the portion of the transfer function with no power and reforming or constructing the primordial power spectrum at some time.

## Description

- parameter  $\alpha$  defines relative conformal rescaling of co-moving scales so  $k_{old} = \alpha k_{new}$
- $\mathcal{P}(k)$  primordial power spectrum,  $T(k) = \frac{\zeta_k(t=\infty)}{\zeta_k(t=0)}$  transfer function
- $\mathcal{P}(k) = A_0 |T(\alpha k)|^2 |T(\alpha^2 k)|^2 \dots$  invariant under evolution + rescaling
- producing repeating pattern, where each cycle shrinks previous and applies low-pass filter:



- $\alpha \ll 1$  so for observable  $k$ ,  $T(\alpha k) \sim 1$  and  $\mathcal{P}(k)$  is approx. scale invariant with a red tilt

## Preliminary Minimum $\chi^2$

- model run in CosmoMC with present  $T(k)$  used to determine  $\mathcal{P}(k)$
- lowTEB+highl+lensing+BKP+BAO+highP+tau

	$\chi^2$ for $\Lambda$ CDM	$\chi^2$ for PT	$\Delta\chi^2$	$\sigma$
6 params	12995.3	13021.1	25.8	5.1
+ $w \neq -1$	12995.1	12998.5	3.4	1.8
+ $w, w_a$	12994.7	12997.8	3.1	1.8

	$\Lambda$ CDM	PT
$\Omega_b h^2$	0.02220	0.02225
$\Omega_c h^2$	0.1198	0.1184
$100\theta$	1.04074	1.04094
$\tau$	0.0527	0.0483
$10^9 \Delta_0^2$	2.0900	2.1779
$w$	-1.0364	-1.0238
$n_s$	0.9637	
$\alpha$		0.01125

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# Conclusion

- Holographic Cosmology
  - ▶ By constructing a holographic dual on the "reheating surface", a non-geometric alternative to inflation can be constructed.
  - ▶ This model was fit to data using CosmoMC and compared to  $\Lambda$ CDM.
  - ▶ Holographic cosmology can match observation as well as  $\Lambda$ CDM.
  - ▶ The model becomes non-perturbative for low  $l$  values or large angles.
- Periodic Time
  - ▶ model run in CosmoMC which relates cosmic history to initial conditions at the big bang
  - ▶ preliminary results indicate model is viable but disfavored
  - ▶ 6 parameter model disfavored by  $\sim 5.1\sigma$
  - ▶ best results from  $w \neq -1$ , difference of  $\sim 1.8\sigma$