

# *Constraining a curvaton with VEV*

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# § Introduction

- Inflation

is an elegant solution to

horizon, flatness, monopole problem

and

provides the seed of density fluctuation of

adiabatic,

almost scale invariant, and **Gaussian**.

# Gaussian fluctuation?

- Inflaton in a single field inflation
  - $\approx$  very weakly interacting (slow roll)
  - $\approx$  nearly free field
  - $\approx$  Gaussian quantum fluctuation

nonlinear parameters are of order of  
slow roll parameters;  $f_{\text{NL}} = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon, \eta)$

Maldacena 2003

# A large non-Gaussianity

- Curvaton is a promising mechanism

Lyth et al 2003

- What is a “curvaton”?

Lyth and Wands, Moroi and Takahashi, Enqvist and Sloth 2001~2

- Not inflaton!
- Scalar field with a flat potential, which condensates during inflation
- Field fluctuation is converted into density fluctuation

# Curvaton models

- Different forms of Potential

- Quadratic [many many...]

$$V = \frac{1}{2} m_{\sigma}^2 \sigma^2$$

- +Quartic [Enqvist et al, Huang,...]
- Cosin type [Kawasaki et al, Huang,...]
- Double well [Choi and Seto]

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

# § A Model

- Double well potential with a large VEV [DW problem] and a small self-coupling [Flatness]

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2}(\partial\sigma)^2 - V(\sigma)$$

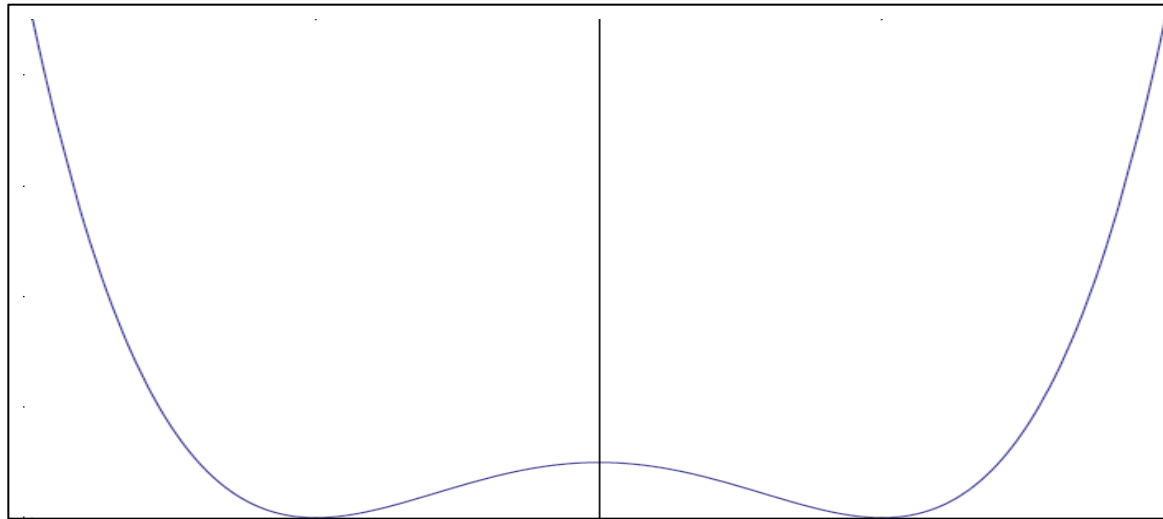
$$V(\sigma) = \frac{\lambda}{4}(\sigma^2 - v^2)^2$$

- Decay rate [saxion-like]

$$\Gamma_\sigma = C \frac{m_\sigma^3}{v^2} = C(2\lambda)^{3/2} v$$

# § § Cosmological evolution

- Rough history



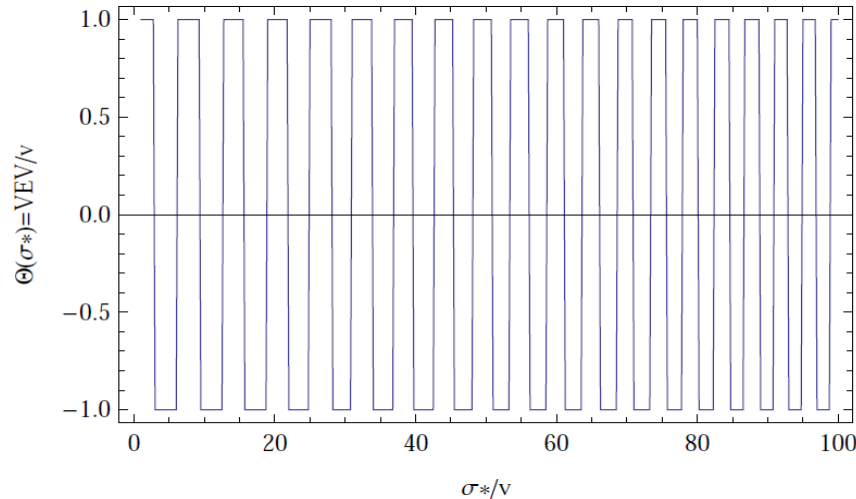
- Quartic to quadratic transition

At the time when the energy density becomes comparable with the height of potential hill

$$\rho_\sigma|_v = \frac{\lambda}{4} (\sigma_v^2 - v^2)^2$$

# § § Cosmological evolution 2

- +v or -v?



- Analytic solutions from the scaling law

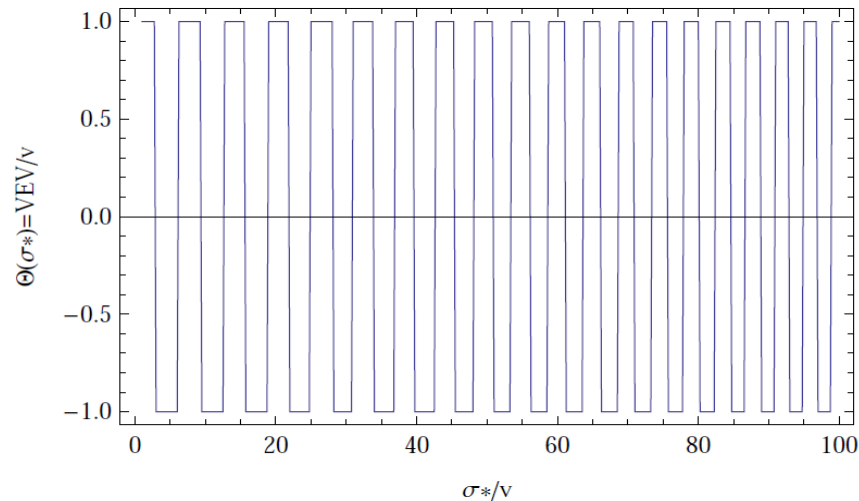
$$\sigma(t) \simeq v\Theta(\sigma_{\text{os}}) + \frac{\sigma_{2\text{os}}}{(m_\sigma t)^{3/4}} \sin m_\sigma t$$

$$\sigma_{2\text{os}} \simeq \begin{cases} (\sigma_v - v) \left( \frac{\rho_\sigma|_{\text{os}}}{\rho_\sigma|_v} \right)^{3/8} \left( \frac{m_\sigma}{2\sqrt{3\lambda\sigma_{\text{os}}^2}} \right)^{3/4}, \\ (\sigma_v - v) \left( \frac{\rho_\sigma|_{\text{os}}}{\rho_\sigma|_v} \right)^{3/8} \left( \frac{H_R}{2\sqrt{3\lambda\sigma_{\text{os}}^2}} \right)^{1/4} \left( \frac{m_\sigma}{2\sqrt{3\lambda\sigma_{\text{os}}^2}} \right)^{3/4} \end{cases}$$

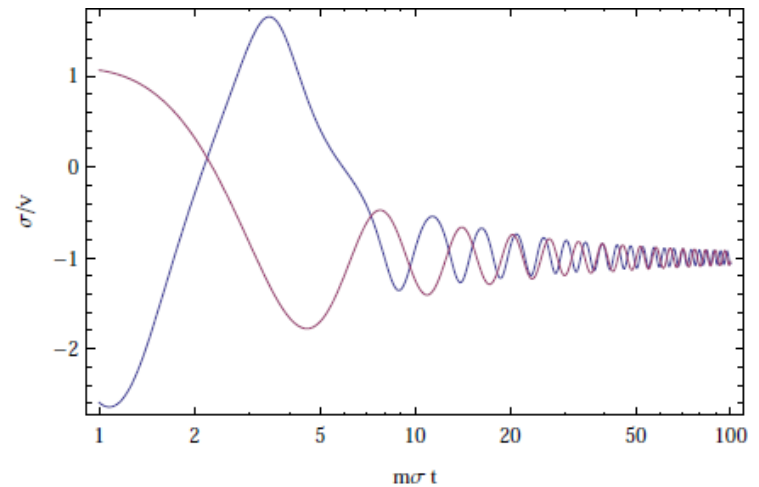
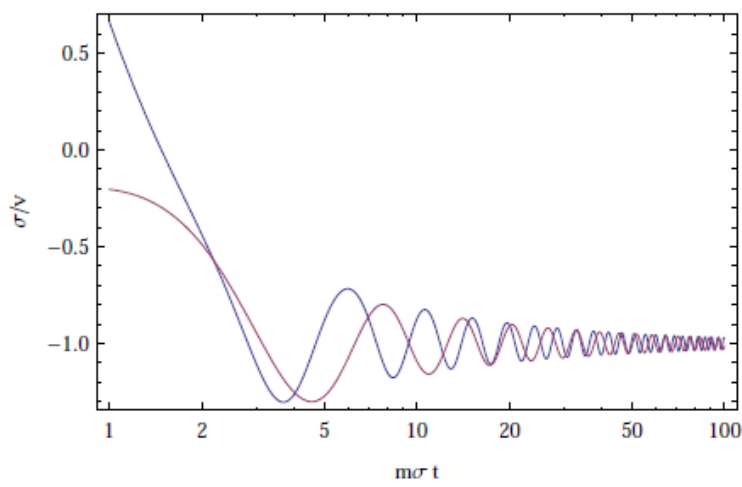


# § § Cosmological evolution 2

- $+v$  or  $-v$ ?



- Analytic solutions fit well!

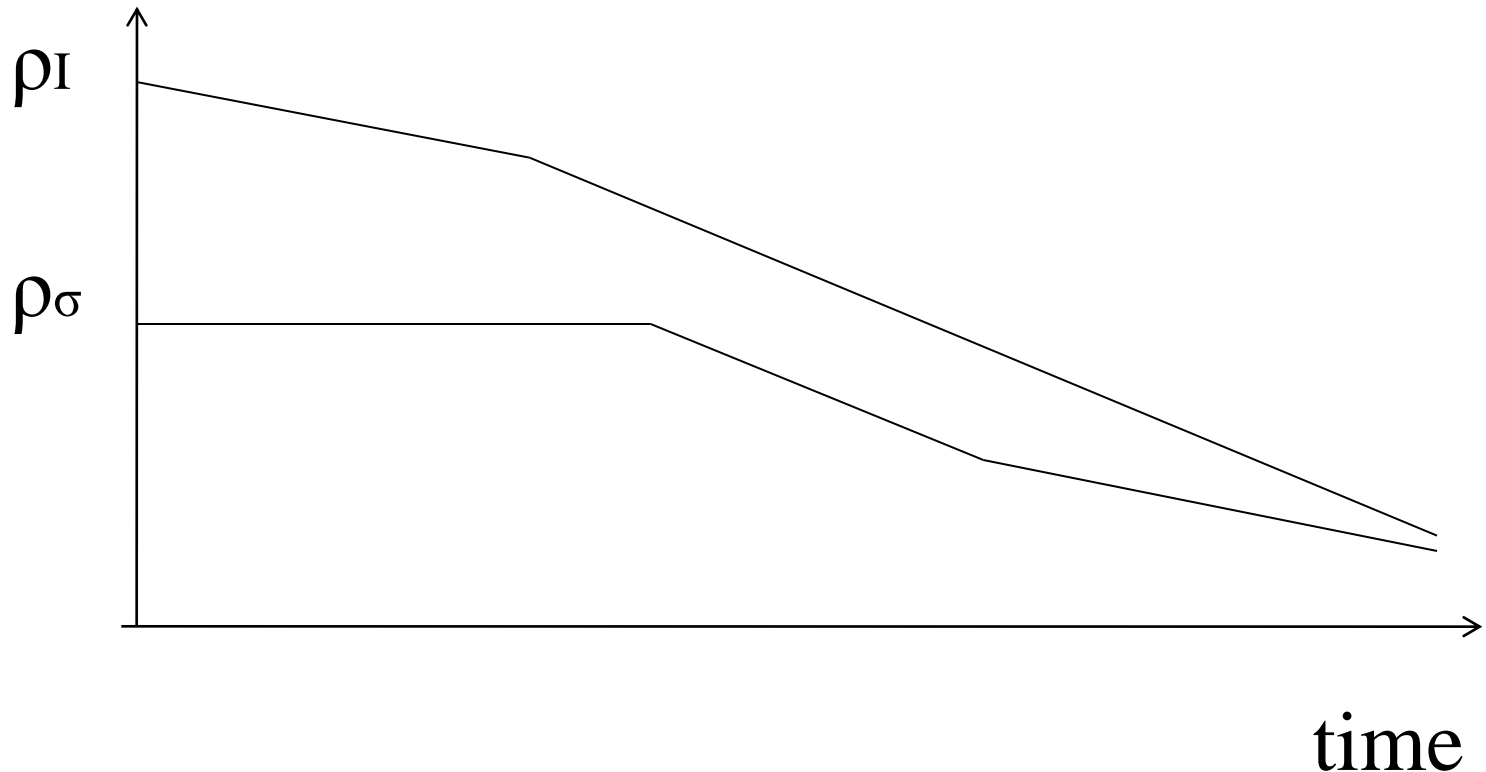


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- Reheating temperature  $T_R$  dependence

energy density

High reheating temperature

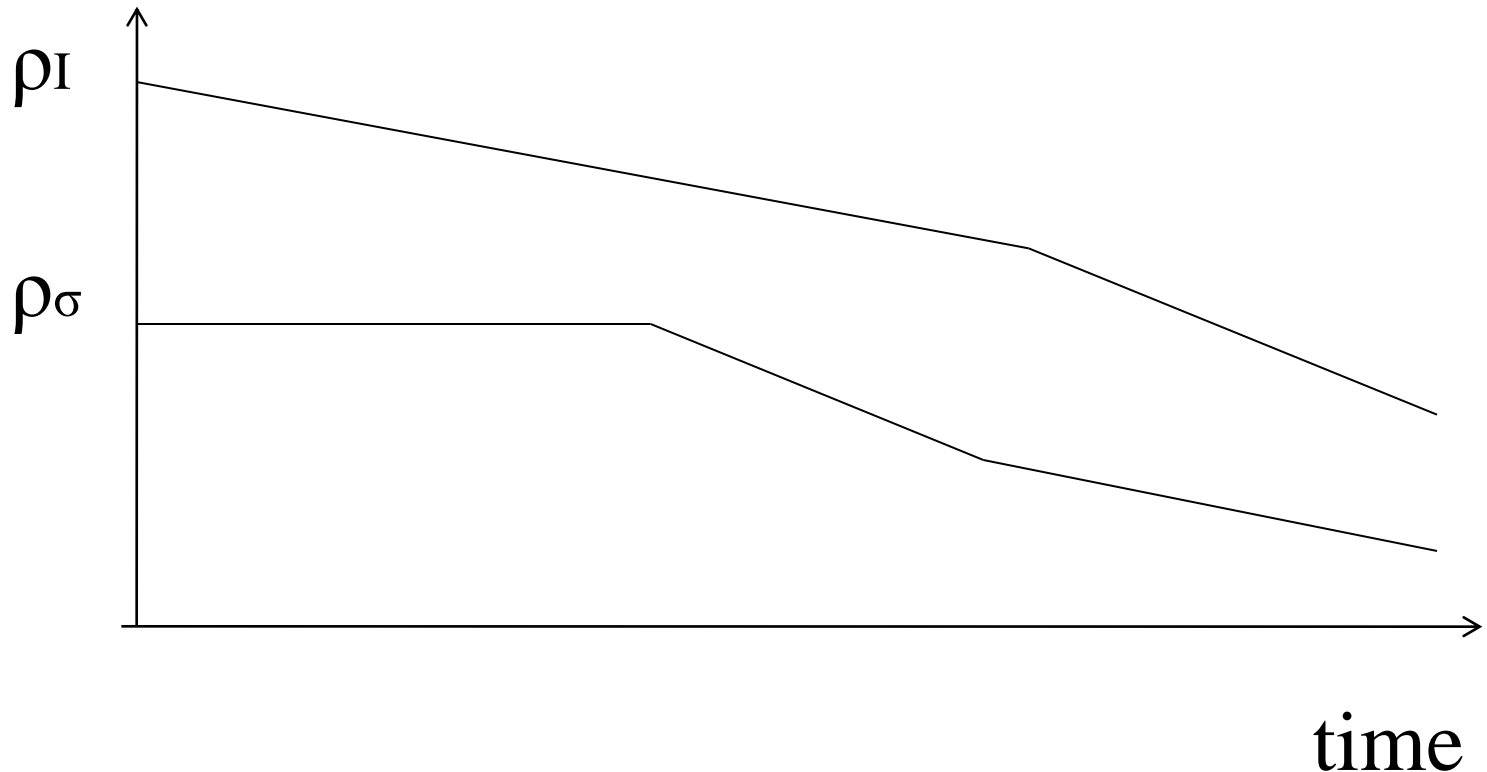


# § § Cosmological evolution 3.2

- Reheating temperature  $T_R$  dependence

energy density

Low reheating temperature



# § Density perturbation

- We estimate power spectrum and non-Gaussianity in terms of nonlinear parameters  $f_{\text{NL}}$  and  $g_{\text{NL}}$
- We impose the constraints from the null detection of tensor mode fluctuation

# § § Formulation 1

- We employ  $\delta N$  formalism for perturbation  
Lyth et al, Sasaki et al

$$\zeta_\sigma = \delta N + \frac{1}{3} \int_{\rho_0(t)}^{\rho(t, \mathbf{x})} \frac{d\tilde{\rho}}{\tilde{\rho} + \tilde{p}}$$

on the uniform curvature density surface.

- Expand this with the late time energy density expression  $\rho_\sigma(t, x) \simeq \frac{m_\sigma^2 \sigma_{2\text{os}}^2(t, x)}{2(mt)^{3/2}}$

# § § Formulation 2

- The power spectrum

$$\mathcal{P}_\zeta = (1 - R)^2 \mathcal{P}_{\zeta_r} + R^2 \mathcal{P}_{\zeta_\sigma}$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{\zeta_r} = \left( \frac{H_*^2}{2\pi|\dot{\phi}|} \right)^2 = \frac{H_*^2}{8\pi^2 \epsilon M_P^2},$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{\zeta_\sigma} = \frac{H_*^2}{4\pi^2} \left( \frac{2\sigma'_{2os}}{3\sigma_{2os}} \right)^2$$

$$R \equiv \frac{3\rho_\sigma}{4\rho_r + 3\rho_\sigma}$$

$$\tilde{r} \equiv \frac{R^2 \mathcal{P}_{\zeta_\sigma}}{(1 - R)^2 \mathcal{P}_{\zeta_r}}$$

- Non-linear parameters

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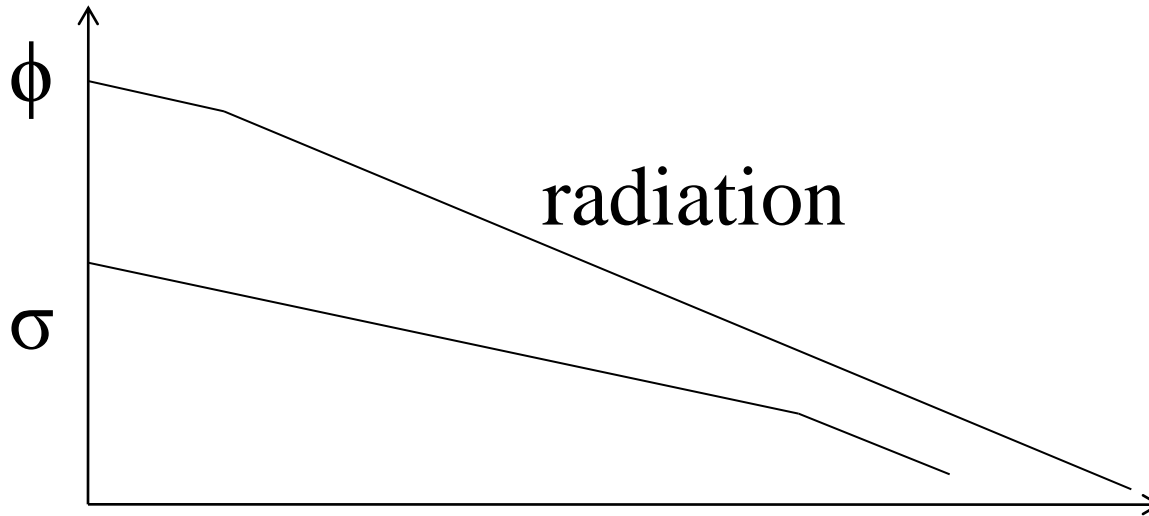
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## Intuitive understanding of $1/R$

- If mainly subdominant curvaton generate  $\delta T/T$



- $\zeta_\sigma$  is diluted,  $\zeta_\sigma \rightarrow \zeta = R \zeta_\sigma$
- $\text{Second}/(\text{first})^2 \approx O(R/R^2) = O(1/R)$

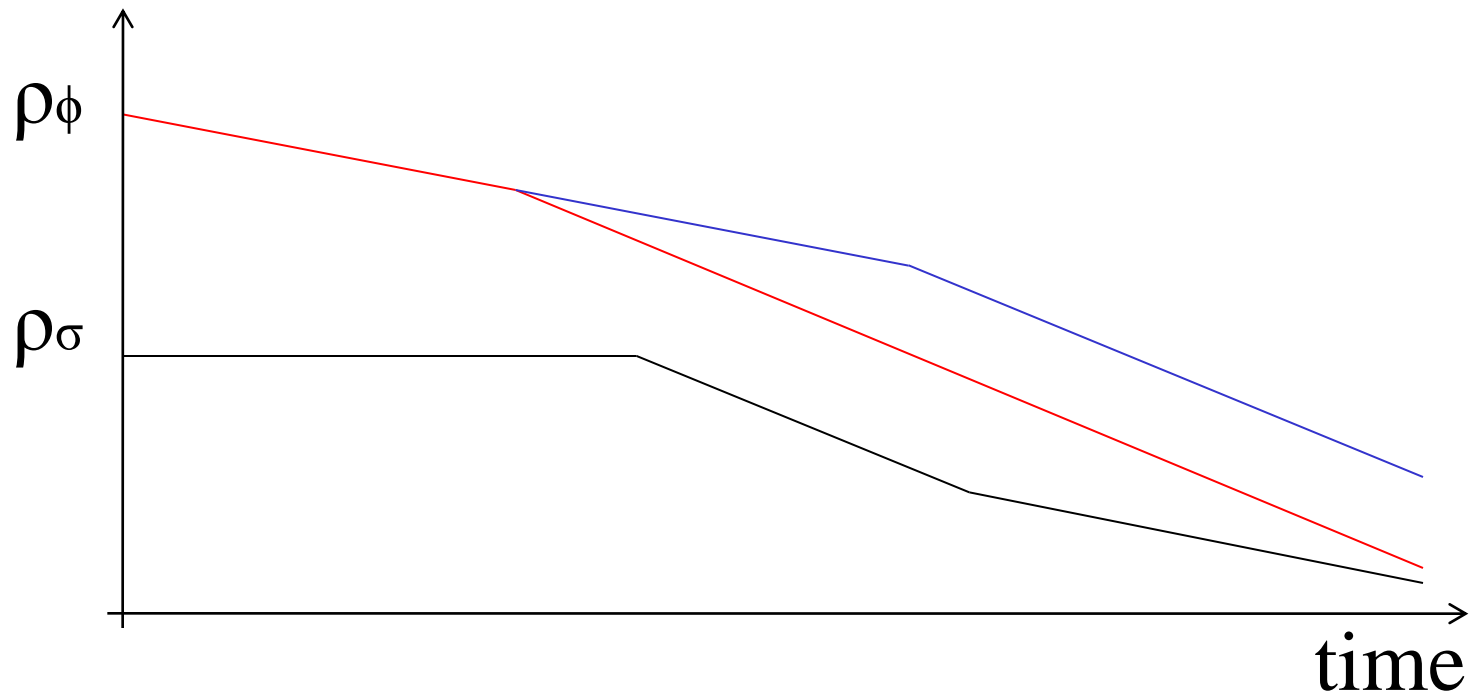
“subdominant curvaton predict a large  $f_{\text{NL}}$ ”

Wands et al, Langlois et al, Enqvist et al,...



# § § Reheating temperature for a large initial amplitude

- Reheating temperature  $T_R$  (background evolution) affects parameters somewhat



# § § Large initial expectation 1/5

- Curvature perturbation  $\zeta$

$$\zeta = (1 - R)\zeta_r + \frac{R}{2} \left( \frac{\delta\sigma_*}{\sigma_*} \right) + \frac{1}{8} \left( \frac{1}{R} - 2 - R \right) R^2 \left( \frac{\delta\sigma_*}{\sigma_*} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{48} \left( -\frac{1}{R^2} - \frac{6}{R} + 2 + 10R + 3R^2 \right) R^3 \left( \frac{\delta\sigma_*}{\sigma_*} \right)^3, \quad \text{for high } T_R,$$

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Absence of inverse power of R

# § § Large initial expectation 3/5

- Resultant nonlinear parameters

$$f_{\text{NL}} = \left( \frac{\tilde{r}}{1 + \tilde{r}} \right)^2 \frac{5}{6} \left( \frac{1}{R} - 2 - R \right) > -2$$

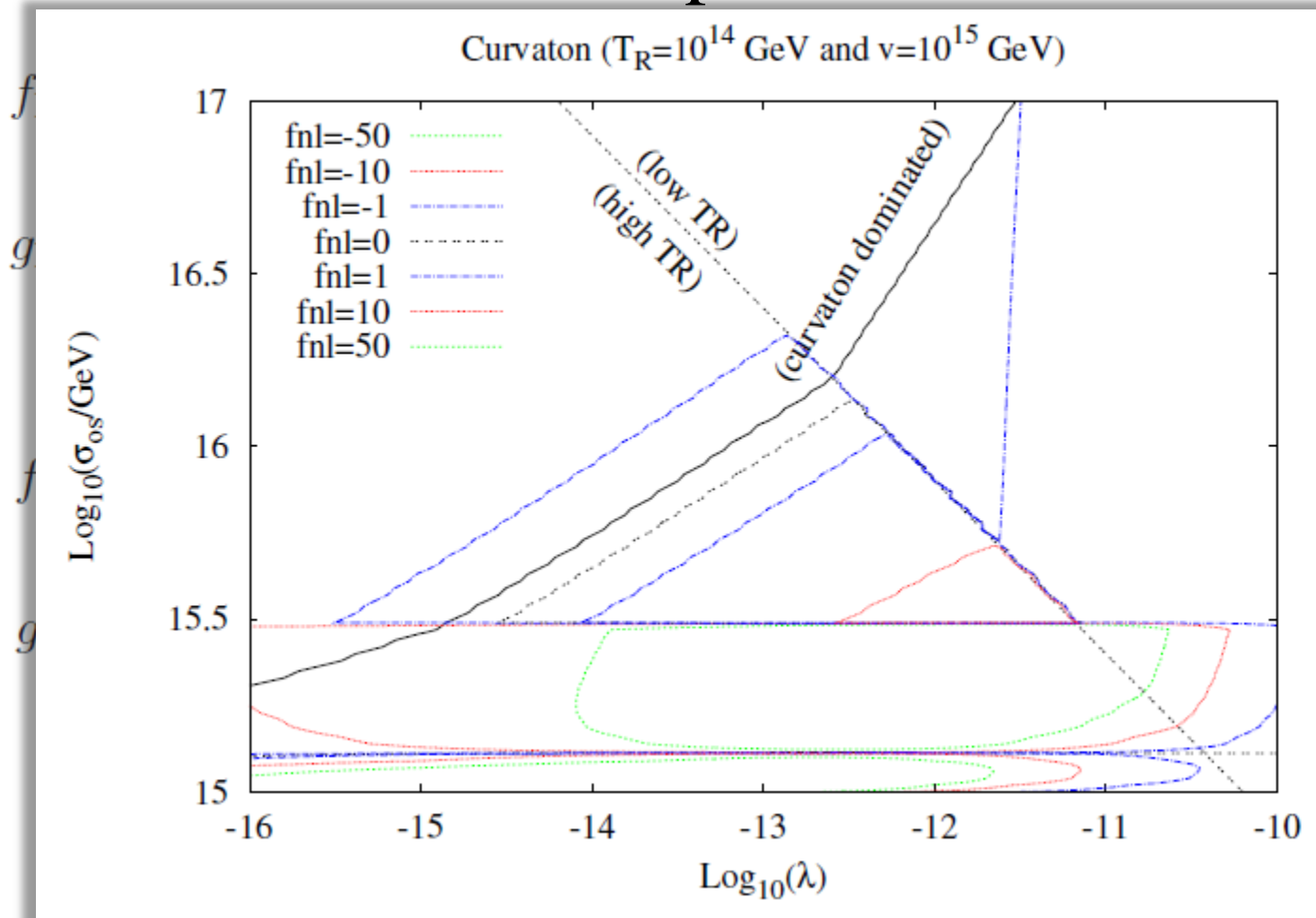
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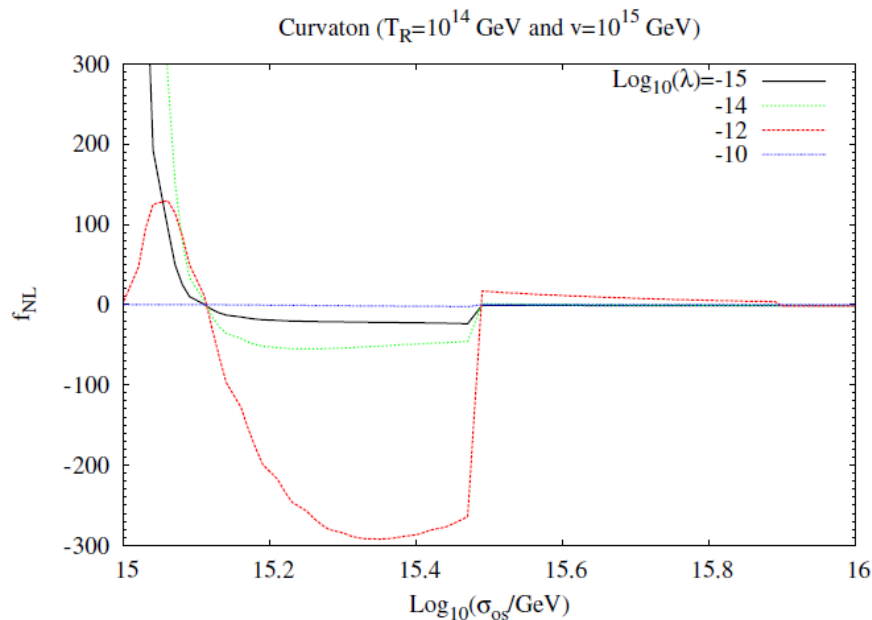
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high  $T_R$ ,

# § § Large initial expectation 4/5

- Another feature of nonlinear parameters



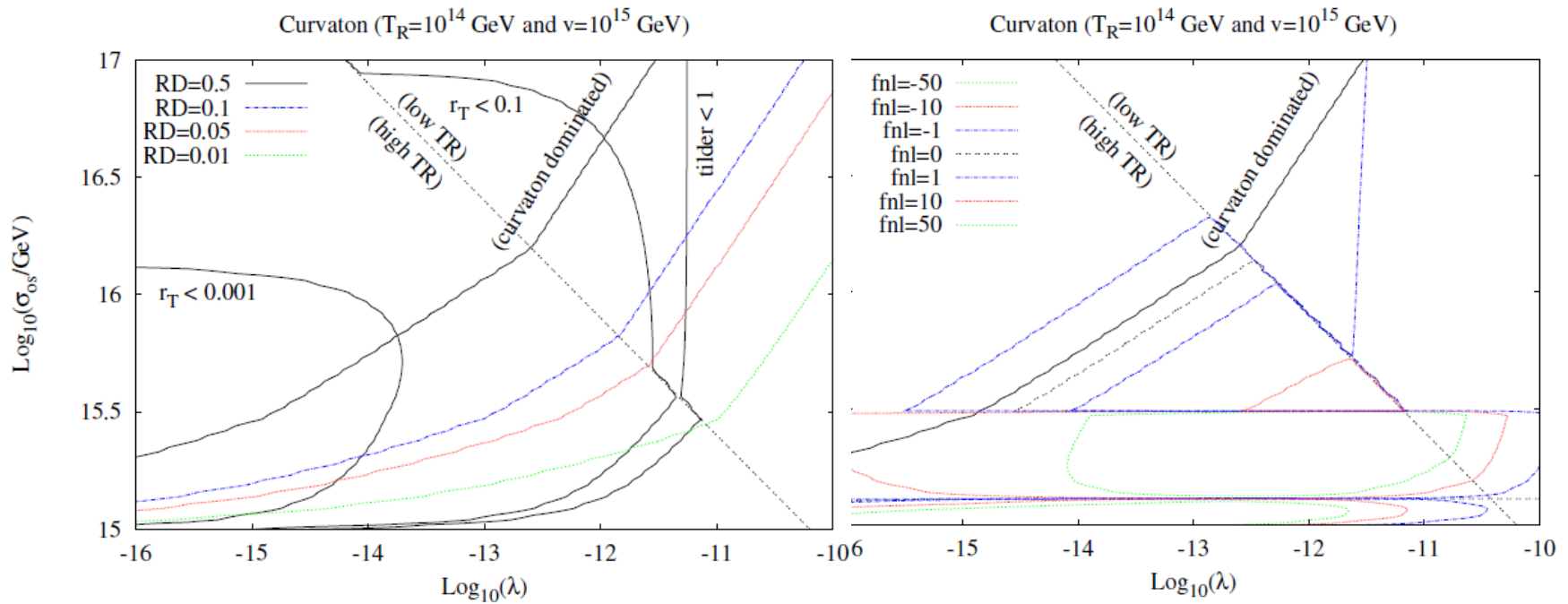
Observation

$$-10 < f_{\text{NL}} < 74$$

- A negative  $f_{\text{NL}}$  is possible, unlike quadratic curvaton.

# § § Large initial expectation 5/5

- Tensor (gravitational wave) modes



# § Summary

We have studied curvaton model which has a double well potential

- **For a low reheating temperature,  $f_{\text{NL}}$  can not be large because of accidental cancellations**

**The statement “a subdominant curvaton predict a large  $f_{\text{NL}}$ ” is not ALWAYS true**

- **The present bounds on  $f_{\text{NL}}$  and  $r_{\text{T}}$  already constrain parameters and future's will do further.**