

# *String Theory Lessons for the first CMB multipoles?*

*Augusto Sagnotti*

*Scuola Normale Superiore and INFN – Pisa*

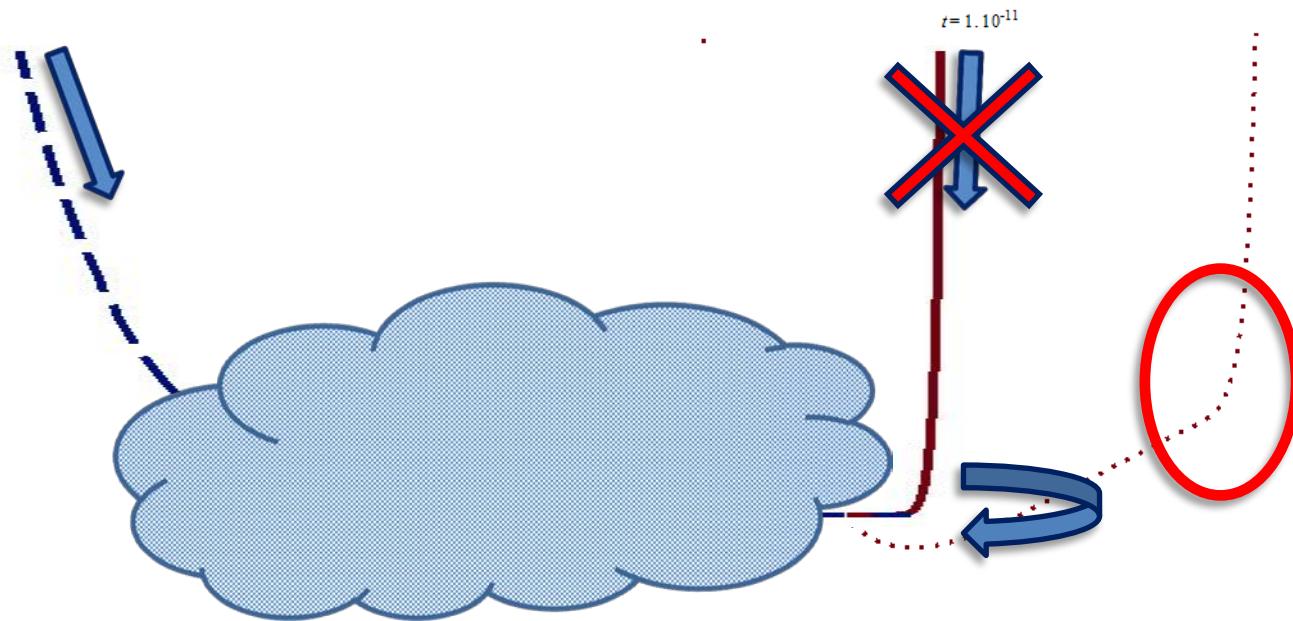
- ❖ E. Dudas, N. Kitazawa, AS, PLB **694** (2010) 80 [arXiv:1009.0874 [hep-th]]
- ❖ E. Dudas, N. Kitazawa, S. Patil, AS, JCAP **1205** (2012) 012 [arXiv:1202.6630 [hep-th]]
- ❖ AS, arXiv: 1303.6685 (Moriond EW 2013)
- ❖ N. Kitazawa and A. Sagnotti, JCAP **1404** (2014) 017 [arXiv:1402.1418 [hep-th]].
- ❖ N. Kitazawa and A. Sagnotti, arXiv:1411.6396 [hep-th].



# Summary

Lifting the ci

- Gener
- Local



- In String Theory, an early inflationary phase is naturally accompanied by **SUSY breaking at high scales**.
- "**Brane SUSY breaking**" is a mechanism that brings along a "**critical**" exponential potential. As a result, the inflaton generally "**bounces**" against it.
- ❖ Our aim here is to explore the **possible role** of a bounce of this type in starting **inflation** and its **possible signature** on the low -  $\ell$  CMB angular power spectrum.

# Cosmological Potentials

- What potentials lead to slow-roll, and where ?

$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + e^{2A(t)}$$

$$\ddot{\phi} + 3\dot{\phi}\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}\dot{\phi}^2 + \frac{2}{3}V(\phi)} + V' = 0$$

Driving force from  $V'$  vs friction from  $V$

- If  $V$  does not vanish : convenient gauge "makes the damping term simpler"

$$ds^2 = e^{2B(t)} dt^2 - e^{\frac{2A(t)}{d-1}} d\mathbf{x} \cdot d\mathbf{x}$$

$$V e^{2B} = V_0$$

$$\dot{A}^2 - \dot{\phi}^2 = 1$$

$$\tau = t \sqrt{\frac{d-1}{d-2}}, \quad \varphi = \phi \sqrt{\frac{d-1}{2(d-2)}} \quad \ddot{\varphi} + \dot{\varphi}\sqrt{1 + \dot{\varphi}^2} + \frac{V_\varphi}{2V} (1 + \dot{\varphi}^2) = 0$$

- Now driving from  $\log V$  vs  $O(1)$  damping

$$V = \varphi^n \rightarrow \frac{V'}{2V} = \frac{n}{2\varphi}$$

❖ Quadratic potential? Far away from origin

(Linde, 1983)

❖ Exponential potential? YES or NO

$$V(\varphi) = V_0 e^{2\gamma\varphi} \rightarrow \frac{V'}{2V} = \gamma$$

# (Critical) Exponential Potentials

$$\frac{V'}{2V} = \gamma \quad \rightarrow \quad \ddot{\varphi} + \dot{\varphi}\sqrt{1 + \dot{\varphi}^2} + \gamma(1 + \dot{\varphi}^2) = 0$$

- ATTRACTOR ( $\gamma < 1$ ):  $\ddot{\varphi} = 0 \rightarrow \dot{\varphi} = -\frac{\gamma}{\sqrt{1 - \gamma^2}}$  *(Lucchin, Matarrese, 1985)*

❖ TWO types of solutions for  $\gamma < 1$ : CLIMBING and DESCENDING

Climbing :  $\dot{\varphi} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sqrt{\frac{1-\gamma}{1+\gamma}} \coth \left( \frac{\tau}{2} \sqrt{1-\gamma^2} \right) - \sqrt{\frac{1+\gamma}{1-\gamma}} \tanh \left( \frac{\tau}{2} \sqrt{1-\gamma^2} \right) \right]$

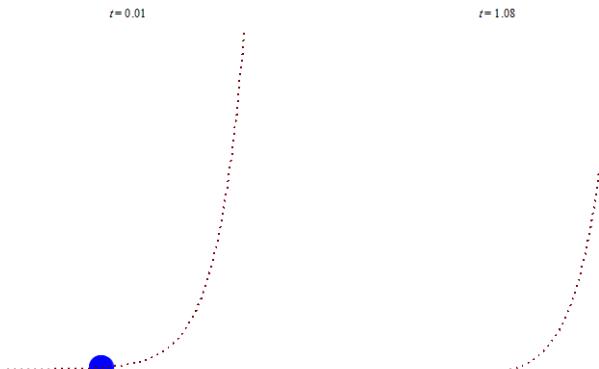
Descending :  $\dot{\varphi} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sqrt{\frac{1-\gamma}{1+\gamma}} \tanh \left( \frac{\tau}{2} \sqrt{1-\gamma^2} \right) - \sqrt{\frac{1+\gamma}{1-\gamma}} \coth \left( \frac{\tau}{2} \sqrt{1-\gamma^2} \right) \right]$

*(Halliwell, 1987)*

*(Dudas, Mourad, 2000)*

*(Russo, 2004)*

❖ ONLY CLIMBING for  $\gamma \geq 1$ . E.g. for  $\gamma = 1$ :



$$\dot{\varphi} = \frac{1}{2\tau} - \frac{\tau}{2}$$

("critical" case)

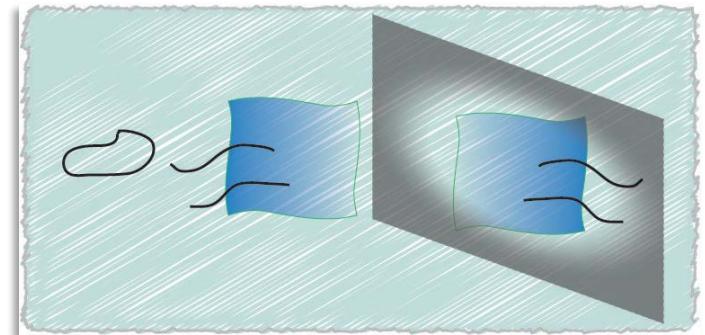
The string coupling  $g_s = e^\varphi$  is bounded for the climbing solution.

**Bound:** depends on integration const.  $\varphi_0$

# Brane SUSY Breaking (BSB)

- ❖ Two types of string spectra: closed or open + closed
- [Connected by world-sheet projection & twistings] *(AS, 1987)*
- [Vacuum filled with D-branes and Orientifolds (mirrors)] *(Polchinski, 1995)*

- ❖ Different options to fill the vacuum :



- SUSY collections of D-branes and Orientifolds → Superstrings
- ❖ (Tachyon-free) Non-SUSY → Brane SUSY breaking (BSB)
  - (Sugimoto, 1999)*
  - (Antoniadis, Dudas, AS, 1999)*
  - (Angelantonj, 1999)*
  - (Aldazabal, Uranga, 1999)*
- ❖ BSB : D+O Tensions → “critical” exponential potential  $V = V_0 e^{2\varphi}$

# Critical Exponentials and BSB

(Dudas, Kitazawa, AS, 2010)  
 (AS, 2013)  
 (Fré, AS, Sorin, 2013)

- ❖ STRING THEORY predicts the exponent

- D=10 : Polyakov expansion and dilaton tadpole

$$S = \frac{1}{2k_N^2} \int d^{10}x \sqrt{-\det g} \left[ R + \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - T e^{\frac{3}{2}\phi} + \dots \right] \quad \rightarrow \quad \gamma = 1 \text{ (for } \varphi\text{)}$$

- D<10 : two combinations of  $\phi$  and "breathing mode"  $\sigma \rightarrow (\Phi_s, \Phi_t)$
- $\Phi_t$  yields a "critical"  $\varphi$  ( $\gamma = 1$ ) if  $\Phi_s$  is stabilized

$$S_d = \frac{1}{2\kappa_d^2} \int d^d x \sqrt{-g} \left[ R + \frac{1}{2} (\partial\Phi_s)^2 + \frac{1}{2} (\partial\Phi_t)^2 - T_9 e^{\sqrt{\frac{2(d-1)}{d-2}} \Phi_t} + \dots \right]$$

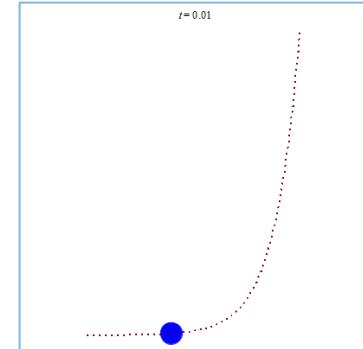
- If  $\Phi_s$  is stabilized: a p-brane that couples via  $(g_s)^{-\alpha}$   
 [the D9-brane we met before had  $p=9, \alpha=1$ ]

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{12} (p + 9 - 6\alpha)$$

[ NOTE: all multiples of  $\frac{1}{12} \simeq 0.08$  ]

# Onset of Inflation via BSB?

- ❖ Critical exponential  $\rightarrow$  CLIMBING
- ❖ NOT ENOUGH: need "flat portion" for slow-roll  
[Here we must "guess"]



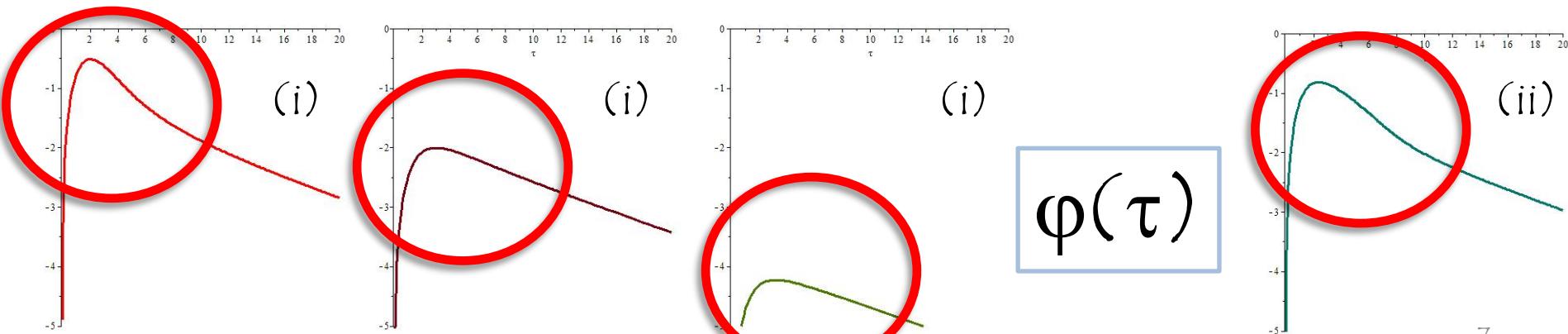
i. Two-exp:  $V(\varphi) = V_0 (e^{2\varphi} + e^{2\gamma\varphi}) \quad \left[ \gamma = \frac{1}{12} \rightarrow n_s = 0.957 \right]$

- More generally :

$$V(\varphi) = V_0 (e^{2\varphi} + e^{2\gamma\varphi}) + V'(\varphi)$$

- ii. Two-exp + gaussian bump :

$$V(\varphi) = V_0 \left( e^{2\varphi} + e^{2\gamma\varphi} + a_1 e^{-a_2(\varphi+a_3)^2} \right)$$



# Scalar Bounces and the low- $\ell$ CMB

## I. Basics

- MS equation :

$$\left( \frac{d^2}{d\eta^2} + k^2 - W_s(\eta) \right) v_k(\eta) = 0$$

- Limiting  $W_s$  :

$$W_s \underset{\eta \rightarrow -\eta_0}{\sim} -\frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{(\eta + \eta_0)^2}, \quad W_s \underset{\eta \rightarrow 0^-}{\sim} \frac{\nu^2 - \frac{1}{4}}{\eta^2} \quad \left( \nu = \frac{3}{2} \frac{1 - \gamma^2}{1 - 3\gamma^2} \right)$$

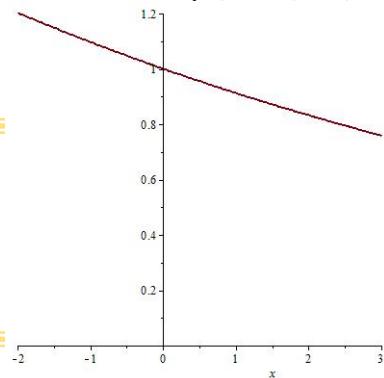
- Power :

$$P(k) = \frac{k^3}{2\pi^2} \left| \frac{v_k(-\epsilon)}{z(-\epsilon)} \right|^2$$

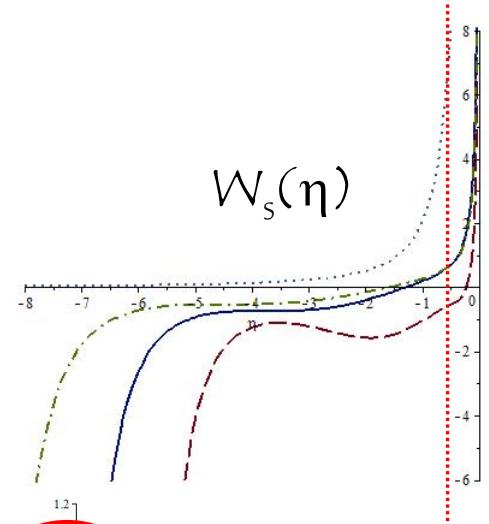
❖ Pre-inflationary fast roll:  $P(k) \sim k^3$

WKB :  $v_k(-\epsilon) \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{|W_s(-\epsilon) - k^2|}} \exp \left( \int_{-\eta^*}^{-\epsilon} \sqrt{|W_s(y) - k^2|} dy \right)$

LOW



UPOLE FROM THIS  
signature → pre-inflatio



ION?

# Scalar Bounces and the low- $\ell$ CMB

## II. Scalar Perturbations

- **SINGLE EXP.** : NO effects of  $\varphi_0$  on the pre-inflationary peak;
- **DOUBLE EXP.** : raising  $\varphi_0$  lowers and eventually removes the peak;
- ❖ **+ GAUSSIAN** : a new type of structure emerges ("roller coaster effect")

LET US TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT THE REGION  $-1 < \varphi_0 < 0$

These (local) effects occur for general  $V(\varphi)$

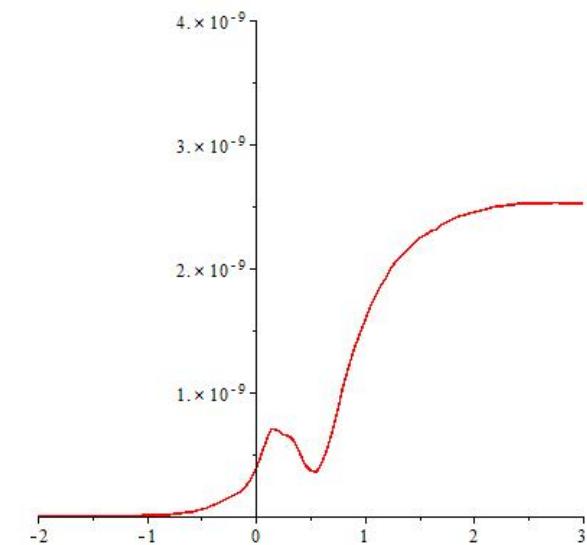
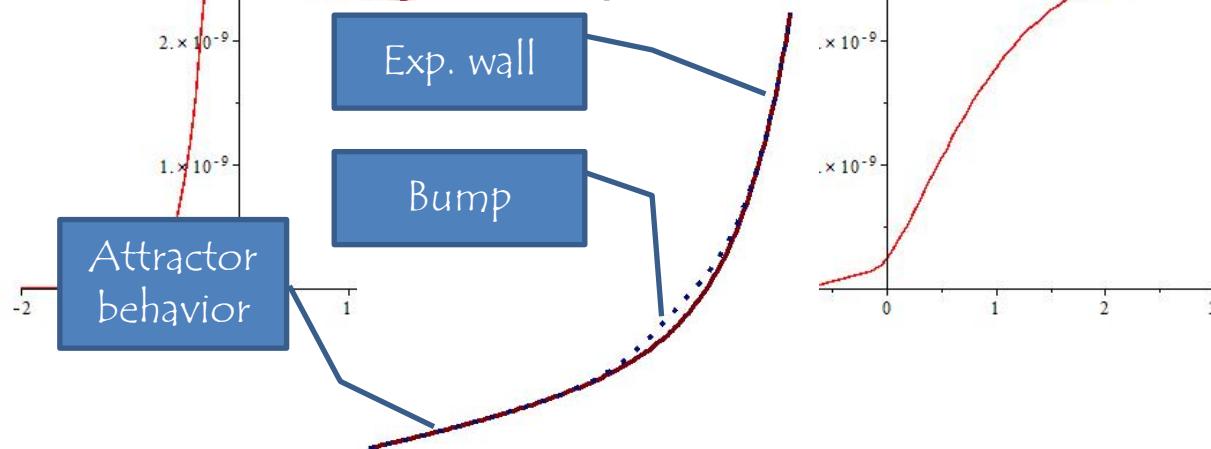
$$V(\varphi) = V_0 e^{2\gamma\varphi}$$

$$V(\varphi) = V_0 (e^{2\varphi} + e^{2\gamma\varphi})$$

$$V(\varphi) = V_0 (e^{2\varphi} + e^{2\gamma\varphi} + a_1 e^{-a_2(\varphi+a_3)^2})$$

They depend ONLY on local features close to the wall:

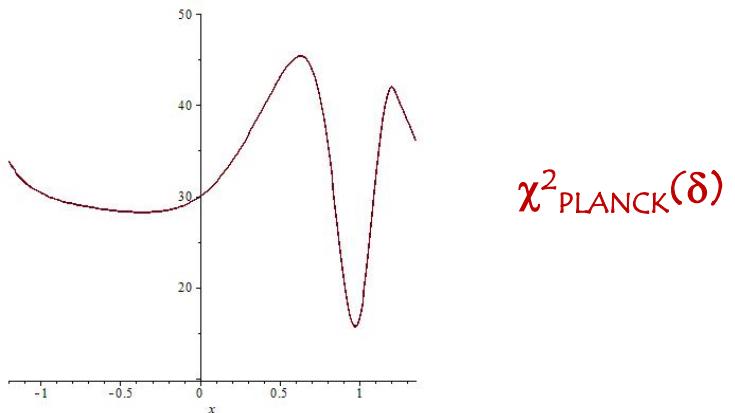
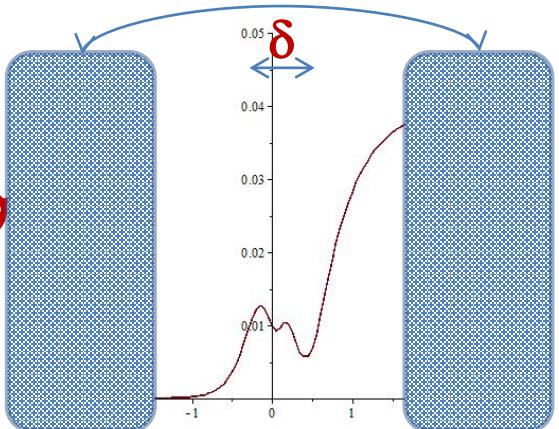
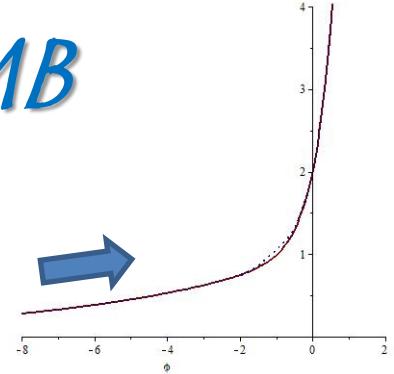
- **lowering of peak**: the scalar bounces prior to attaining slow-roll
- **"roller-coaster"**: the scalar encounters twice the gaussian bump, slowing down again after the bounce



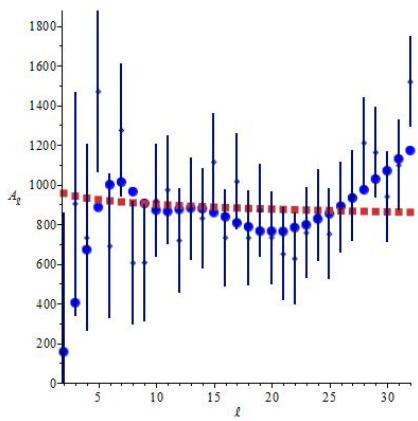
# $\chi^2$ - Fits of the Low- $\ell$ CMB

$$A_\ell(\varphi_0, \mathcal{M}, \delta) = \mathcal{M} \ell(\ell+1) \int_0^\infty \frac{dk}{k} \mathcal{P}_\zeta(k, \varphi_0) j_\ell^2(k 10^\delta)$$

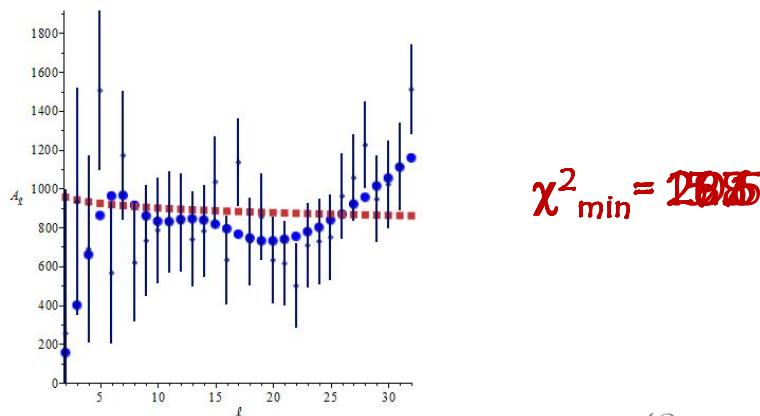
$$V(\varphi) = V_0 \left( e^{2\varphi} + e^{2\gamma\varphi} + a_1 e^{-a_2(\varphi+a_3)^2} \right) (\gamma, a_1, a_2, a_3) = (0.08, 0.065, 4, 1)$$



Comparison with WMAP9 ( $\chi^2_{\text{attr}} = 25.5$ )



Comparison with PLANCK '13 ( $\chi^2_{\text{attr}} = 30.3$ )



# Tensor vs Scalar Perturbations

WKB:

- area below  $W_{S,T}(\eta)$  determines the power spectra

$$v_k(-\epsilon) \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{|W_s(-\epsilon) - k^2|}} \exp \left( \int_{-\eta^*}^{-\epsilon} \sqrt{|W_s(y) - k^2|} dy \right)$$

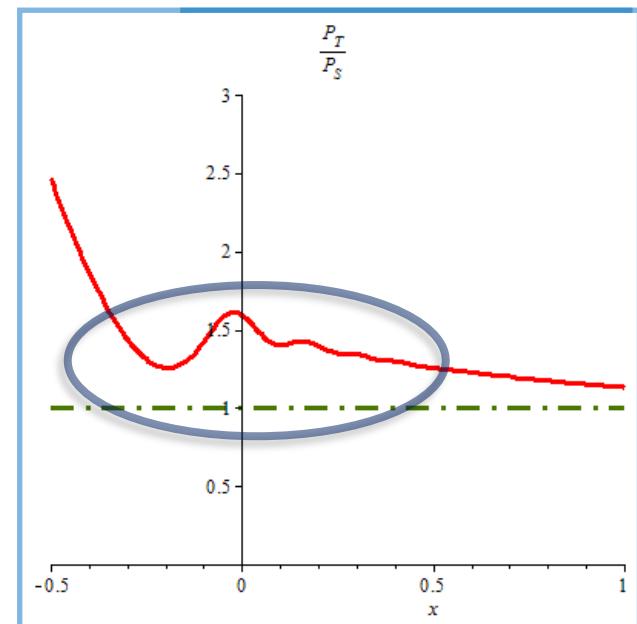
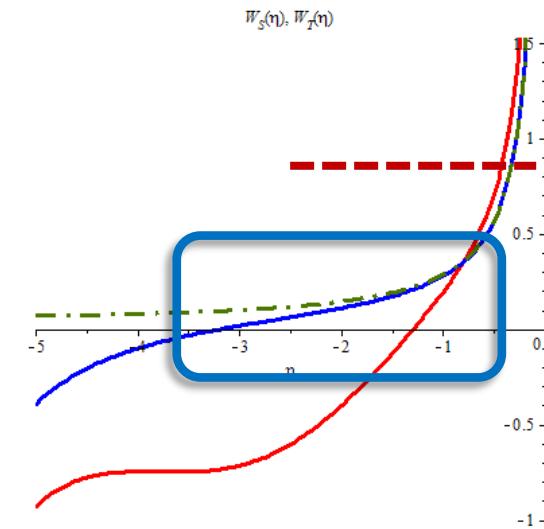
- **Scalar Power Spectra:** BELOW attractor  $W$

- **Tensor Power Spectra:** ABOVE

- **INDEED:** moving slightly away from the attractor trajectory (here the LM attractor) enhances the ratio  $P_T / P_S$

$$V = V_0 (e^{2\varphi} + e^{2\gamma\varphi}) \quad \left( \gamma < \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right)$$

$$\frac{W_S}{W_T} \approx 1 - 18 \frac{(1 - \gamma^2)^4}{(2 - 3\gamma^2)} \left[ \frac{d\varphi}{d\tau} + \frac{\gamma}{\sqrt{1 - \gamma^2}} \right]^2$$



*Thank You*