

# Constraints on SUSY Hybrid Inflation with Strings

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# Introduction

- Presently, CMB data is well fitted by a set of six standard parameters

$$\{\Omega_b h^2, \Omega_c h^2, \tau_R, \theta_A, \log P_{\mathcal{R}}, n_s\}$$

- $P_{\mathcal{R}}$  and  $n_s$  are predicted by an inflationary model, *i.e.*  $V(\phi)$ .
- Models which depend on **two parameters** are of special interest  $\Rightarrow$  no large degeneracies between parameters.
- **SUSY hybrid** models satisfy this requirement. Furthermore, they are well motivated from particle physics.
- SUSY hybrid models:  $n_s \gtrsim 0.98$ . WMAP3:  $n_s = 0.956 \pm 0.016$ .
- Spontaneous symmetry breaking at the end of hybrid inflation  $\Rightarrow$  **cosmic strings**. Need to be taken into account when making predictions for the CMB.

# F-Term Inflation

Copeland, Liddle, Lyth, Stewart, Wands (1994); Dvali, Shafi and Schaefer (1994).

- Superpotential:  $W = \kappa \widehat{S}(\widehat{G}\widehat{G} - M^2)$ .

- $S$ : inflaton.  $G, \bar{G}$ : waterfall fields.

- Tree level potential:

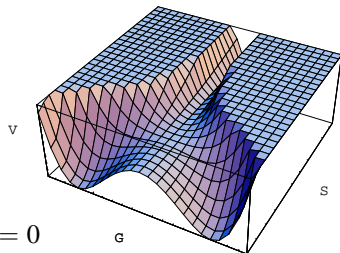
$$V_0 = \kappa^2 \left[ |\bar{G}G - M^2|^2 + |S\bar{G}|^2 + |SG|^2 \right].$$

- During inflation,  $\langle |S| \rangle > M$ ,  $\langle |G| \rangle = \langle |\bar{G}| \rangle = 0$

$$V = \kappa^2 M^4.$$

- **Two parameters:**  $\kappa$  and  $M$ .

- We are interested in strings. Assume that  $G$  is gauged under a  $U(1)$ .



## Additional Corrections to the $F$ -Term Potential

- One-loop Coleman-Weinberg correction due to spontaneous SUSY breaking during inflation ( $\dim G, \overline{G} = 1$ ):

$$V_{\text{CW}} = \frac{\kappa^4}{32\pi^2} \left\{ (S^2 + M^2)^2 \ln \left( 1 + \frac{M^2}{S^2} \right) + (S^2 - M^2)^2 \ln \left( 1 - \frac{M^2}{S^2} \right) + 2M^4 \ln \frac{\kappa^2 S^2}{Q^2} \right\}.$$

- “Minimal” SUGRA:  $V_{\text{SUGRA}} = 32\pi^2 \kappa^2 M^4 \frac{S^4}{m_{\text{pl}}^4}$ .  
From canonical Kähler potential.

### Full Potential

$$V = V_0 + V_{\text{CW}} + V_{\text{SUGRA}}$$

- Everything given in terms of  $\kappa$  and  $M$ .

# D-Term Inflation

Binetruy, Dvali (1996); Halyo(1996).

- Superpotential:  $W = \kappa \widehat{S} \widehat{G} \widehat{G}$ .
- D-term:  $D = \frac{g}{2} (|G|^2 - |\overline{G}|^2 + m_{\text{FI}}^2)$ , where  $m_{\text{FI}}$  denotes the Fayet-Iliopoulos mass,  $g$  the U(1) gauge coupling.
- Tree-level potential:  $V_0 = \kappa^2 \left[ |\overline{G}G|^2 + |S\overline{G}|^2 + |SG|^2 \right] + \frac{1}{2} D^2$ .
- Inflation:  $\langle G \rangle = \langle \overline{G} \rangle = 0$ ,  $\langle |S| \rangle > \frac{g^2}{4\kappa^2} m_{\text{FI}}^2$ ,  $V = \frac{g^2}{8} m_{\text{FI}}^2$ .
- Coleman-Weinberg Potential:

$$V_{\text{CW}} = \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \left\{ (\kappa^2 s^2 + \frac{g^2}{4} m_{\text{FI}}^2)^2 \ln \left( 1 + \frac{g^2}{4\kappa^2} \frac{m_{\text{FI}}^2}{s^2} \right) + (\kappa^2 s^2 - \frac{g^2}{4} m_{\text{FI}}^2)^2 \ln \left( 1 - \frac{g^2}{4\kappa^2} \frac{m_{\text{FI}}^2}{s^2} \right) + \frac{g^4}{8} m_{\text{FI}}^4 \ln \frac{\kappa^2 s^2}{Q^2} \right\},$$

where  $s = S e^{\frac{8\pi}{m_{\text{Pl}}^2}}$  within minimal SUGRA.

- Results turn out not to depend on  $g$  for  $g \lesssim 9 \times 10^{-2}$ .

# Adiabatic Perturbations

- Calculate  $P_{\mathcal{R}}$  and  $n_s$  at the scale  $k = 0.05 \text{Mpc}^{-1}$ .
- Need to know the value  $\sigma_e$  of the inflaton field at the time when the scale  $k$  exits the horizon ( $\sigma = \sqrt{2\text{Re}[S]}$ ).
- Number of e-foldings:

$$N_e \approx 50 + \frac{1}{3} \log \frac{T_R}{10^9 \text{GeV}} + \frac{2}{3} \log \frac{V^{1/4}}{10^{15} \text{GeV}}$$

$$N_e = \int_{t_e}^{t_c} dt H = \frac{8\pi}{m_{\text{pl}}^2} \kappa^2 M^4 \int_{\sigma_c}^{\sigma_e} d\sigma \left( \frac{\partial V}{\partial \sigma} \right)^{-1} .$$

- Amplitude of power spectrum:

$$\sqrt{P_{\mathcal{R}}(k)} = \frac{2^{\frac{7}{2}} \sqrt{\pi} V^{\frac{3}{2}}(\sigma)}{\sqrt{3} m_{\text{pl}}^3 \partial V / \partial \sigma} \Bigg|_{\sigma=\sigma_e} .$$

- Scalar spectral index:  $n_s \approx 1 - 2 \frac{m_{\text{pl}}^2}{8\pi} \frac{V''}{V} \Bigg|_{\sigma_e} .$
- Can calculate  $\sqrt{P_{\mathcal{R}}(k)}$  and  $n_s$  from the model parameters  $\kappa$  and  $M$  (or  $m_{\text{FI}}$ , respectively).

# Cosmic String Tension

## *D*-term

$$G\mu = 2\pi \left( \frac{m_{\text{FI}}}{m_{\text{pl}}} \right)^2 \text{ (Bogomol'nyi strings).}$$

## *F*-Term

$$G\mu = 2\pi \left( \frac{M}{m_{\text{pl}}} \right)^2 \epsilon(\beta) \propto \text{amplitude of string-induced spectrum.}$$

$$\beta = \kappa^2 / (2g^2), \quad G = \frac{1}{m_{\text{pl}}^2}$$

$g$ : gauge coupling, 0.7 as suggested by Grand Unification

$$\epsilon(\beta) = \begin{cases} 1.04\beta^{0.195} & \text{for } \beta > 10^{-2} \\ 2.4 / \log(2/\beta) & \text{for } \beta \leq 10^{-2} \end{cases}$$

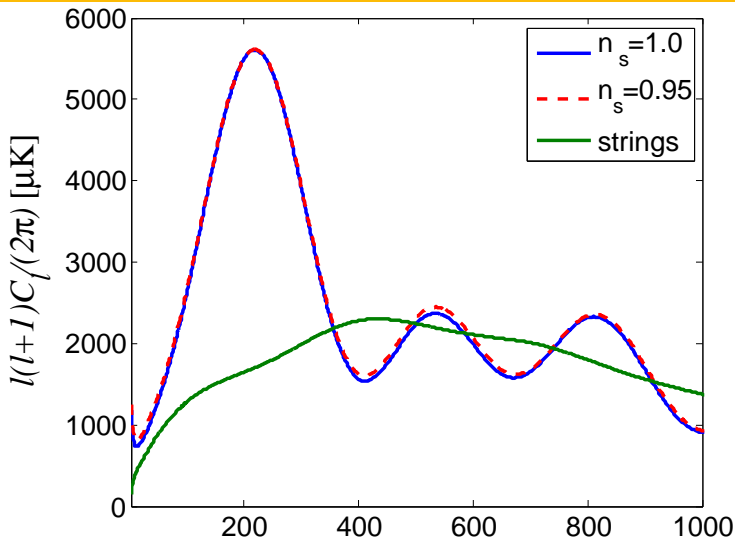
Hill, Hodges Turner (1987)

- $\epsilon$  smaller than one for the interesting range of parameters.  
 ⇒ String constraints more severe in *D*-Term models.

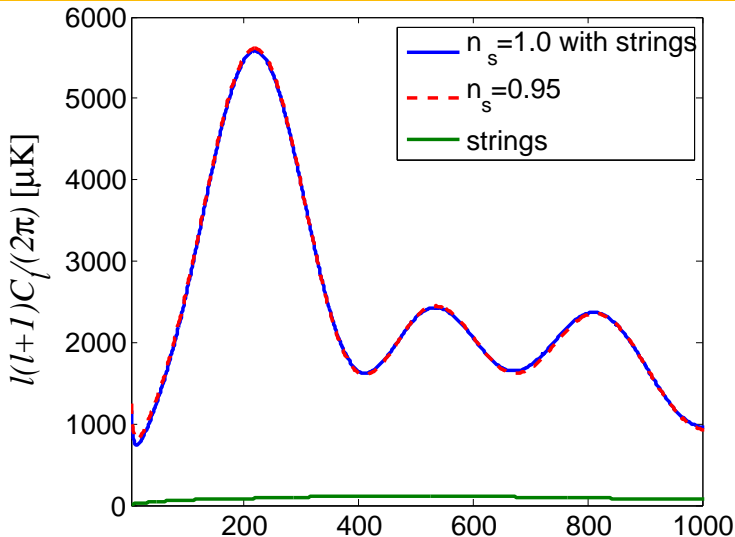
# String Contribution to Perturbation Spectrum

- Strings may give a **subdominant** contribution ( $\lesssim 10\%$ ) to the power spectrum. Battye, Weller (2000).
- The **amplitude** of the string spectrum is  $\propto G\mu$ .
- $G\mu \lesssim 3 \times 10^{-7}$ . Wyman, Pogosian, Wasserman (2005, 2006); Fraisse (2005); Seljak, Slosar, McDonald (2006); Bevis, Hindmarsh, Kunz, Urrestilla (2006) .
- Calculate the string-induced spectrum from a moving segment model based on Albrecht, Battye, Robinson (1997); Pogosian, Vachaspati (1999).



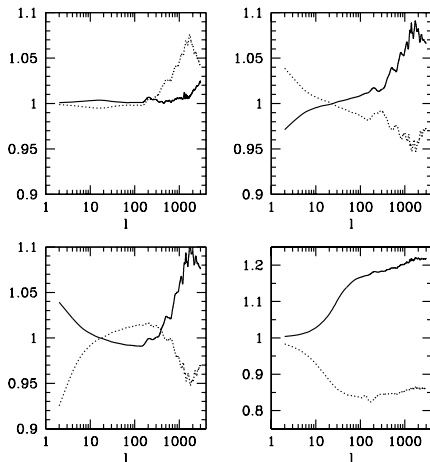


- Red: a model with  $n_s = 0.95$ , which fits the data without strings.
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## Cosmic Parameters and String Spectrum



Ratio of String spectrum at  $3\sigma$  upper (solid) and lower (dashed) bound of cosmic parameters to string spectrum for best-fit value.

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_b h^2 &= (0.0244, 0.0196) & \Omega_m h^2 &= (0.0148, 0.100) \\ h &= (0.82, 0.61) & \tau_R &= (0.172, 0) \end{aligned}$$

## Variation less than 20%

- When the string contribution is  $\lesssim 10\%$ , the error in the TT spectrum is  $\lesssim 2\%$ .
- *cf.* 1% accuracy rendered by the CAMB or CMBFAST codes.
- Calculate just one string spectrum (the amplitude of which is  $\propto G\mu$ ).

# MCMC Analysis

- Use COSMOMC code Lewis, S. Bridle (2002).
- Parameters  $\{\Omega_b h^2, \Omega_c h^2, \tau_R, \theta_A, \log P_{\mathcal{R}}, n_s, G\mu\}$
- For Determination of Model Parameters, derive  $\{\log P_{\mathcal{R}}, n_s, G\mu\}$  from  $\{M, \log \kappa\}$  for  $F$ -term,  $\{m_{\text{FI}}, \log \kappa\}$  for  $D$ -term inflation.
- For comparison, analyze models with  $G\mu \neq 0$  and  $G\mu = 0$ .

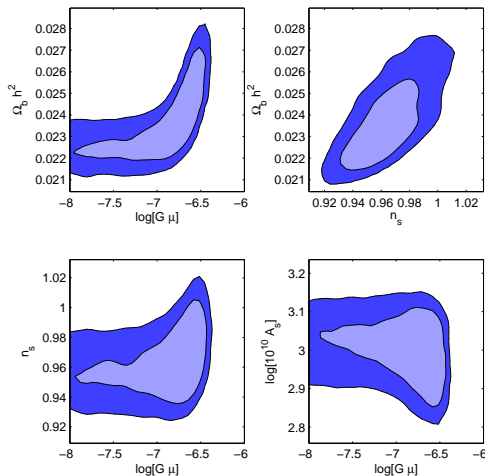
## Flat Priors

Parameter	Prior
$\Omega_b h^2$	(0.005, 0.1)
$\Omega_c h^2$	(0.01, 0.99)
$\theta_A$	(0.5, 10)
$\tau_R$	(0.01, 0.9)
$\log(10^{10} P_{\mathcal{R}})$	(2.7, 5.0)

Parameter	Prior
$n_s$	(0.5, 1.5)
$\log \kappa$	(-5.0, -0.3)
$\log(T_R/10^9 \text{GeV})$	(-6.0, 1.0)
$c_H^2$	(-0.25, 0.03)
$\log g$	(-2.0, 0.0)

# Strings allow Blue Spectra $\{\Omega_b h^2, \Omega_c h^2, \tau_R, \theta_A, P_{\mathcal{R}}, n_s, G\mu\}$

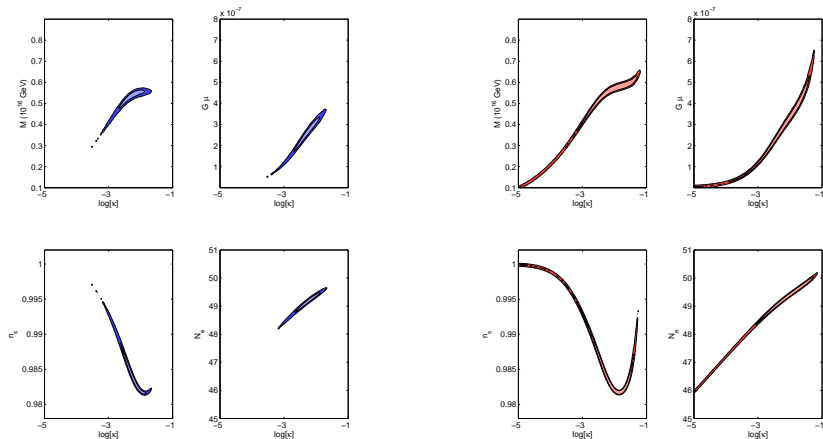
Standard Six Parameter Fit with Strings in Addition



- For large  $G\mu$ , values as large as  $n_s \approx 1.02$  are within  $2\sigma$  contour.
- Imposing BBN constraints,  $\Omega_b h^2 = 0.020 \pm 0.002$ , we find  $G\mu < 2.2 \times 10^{-7}$  and  $n_s = 0.953 \pm 0.015$ . (cf. Bevis, Hindmarsh, Kunz, Urrestilla (2007))
- Including strings fits the data slightly (but not significantly) better.

# F-Term Inflation with Minimal SUGRA

$\{\Omega_b h^2, \Omega_c h^2, \tau_R, \theta_A, \log \kappa, M\}$ ,  $g = 0.7$ ,  $T_R = 10^9 \text{ GeV}$   $G\mu$  derived from  $\kappa$ ,  $M$  and  $g$ .



$$\log \kappa = -2.34 \pm 0.38$$

$$M = (0.518 \pm 0.059) \times 10^{16} \text{ GeV}$$

Without strings.

# Nonminimal SUGRA

## A Remedy for the Spectral Index Crisis

- For a non-canonical Kähler potential, mass-square terms of the order  $V/(m_{\text{Pl}}^2)$  arise.
- When these mass-squares are negative, they can “**red**den” the spectrum.

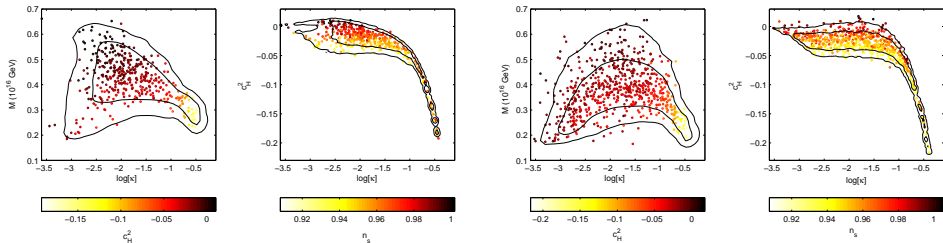
Bastero-Gil, King, Shafi (2006)

- Parametrise these by  $c_H^2$ :

$$V_{\text{NMSUGRA}} = c_H^2 H^2 S^2 .$$

# F-Term Inflation with Nonminimal SUGRA

$\{\Omega_b h^2, \Omega_c h^2, \tau_R, \theta_A, \log \kappa, M, c_H^2\}$ ,  $g = 0.7$ ,  $T_R = 10^9 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $a_S = 1 \text{ TeV}$



## Best-Fit Values

$$\log \kappa = -1.87 \pm 0.66$$

$$M = (0.417 \pm 0.093) \times 10^{16} \text{ GeV}$$

$$c_H^2 = -0.030 \pm 0.035$$

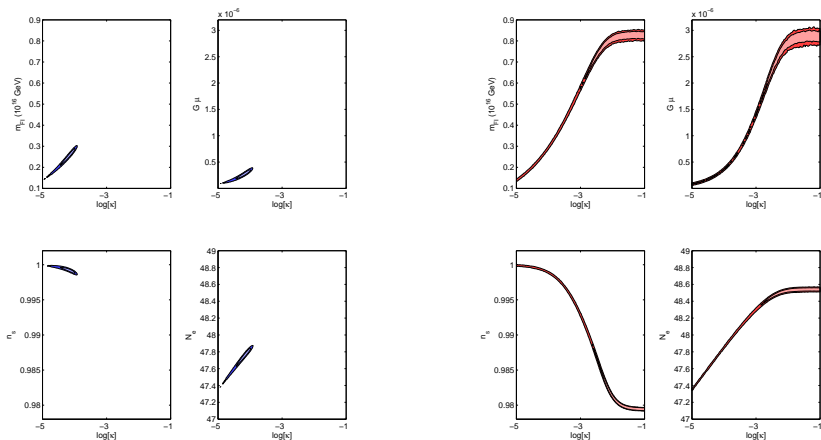
Introducing  $c_H^2$  is yet not necessary in order to resolve the spectral index problem for hybrid inflation with strings.

For Comparison

Without strings.



# D-Term Inflation $\{\Omega_b h^2, \Omega_c h^2, \tau_R, \theta_A, \log \kappa, m_{FI}\}$ , $g = 0.001$ , $T_R = 10^9 \text{ GeV}$



$$\log \kappa = -4.24 \pm 0.19$$

$$m_{FI} = (0.24 \pm 0.03) \times 10^{16} \text{ GeV}$$

Without strings.

# Conclusions

- We have computed up to date precision constraints on the parameters  $\kappa$  and  $M, m_{\text{FI}}$  of SUSY hybrid inflation models.
- **Determination of important GUT parameters from cosmic observations** (given the models are correct).
- Crucial is the improved WMAP3 data, allows in particular for strong bounds on  $n_s$ .
- Puts the simplest SUSY hybrid models without strings under pressure.
- A string contribution of order 10% to the CMBR power spectrum does however allow for larger values of  $n_s$ .

# Conclusions

Model	Parameter Set	# Par.	$\log \kappa$	$(M, m_{\text{FI}})/10^{16}\text{GeV}$	$-\Delta 2 \log \mathcal{L}$
6Par	$\{\Omega_b h^2, \Omega_c h^2, \tau_R, \theta_A, P_{\mathcal{R}}, n_s\}$	6	–	–	0
6Par & $G\mu$	$\{\Omega_b h^2, \Omega_c h^2, \tau_R, \theta_A, P_{\mathcal{R}}, n_s, G\mu\}$	7	–	–	–2.7
$F$	$\{\Omega_b h^2, \Omega_c h^2, \tau_R, \theta_A, \log \kappa, M\}$	6	$-2.34 \pm 0.38$	$0.518 \pm 0.059$	–2.2
$F\text{NoStr}$	$\{\Omega_b h^2, \Omega_c h^2, \tau_R, \theta_A, \log \kappa, M\}$	6	$-2.40 \pm 0.88$	$0.495 \pm 0.139$	2.9
$FNMSUGRA$	$\{\Omega_b h^2, \Omega_c h^2, \tau_R, \theta_A, \log \kappa, M, c_H^2\}$	7	$-1.87 \pm 0.66$	$0.417 \pm 0.093$	–2.9
$D$	$\{\Omega_b h^2, \Omega_c h^2, \tau_R, \theta_A, \log \kappa, m_{\text{FI}}\}$	6	$-4.24 \pm 0.19$	$0.245 \pm 0.031$	–0.5
$D\text{NoStr}$	$\{\Omega_b h^2, \Omega_c h^2, \tau_R, \theta_A, \log \kappa, m_{\text{FI}}\}$	6	$-2.10 \pm 0.89$	$0.730 \pm 0.171$	2.4