# Classification of inflation models using k-means method

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In the early Universe, a rapid exponential expansion, called inflation, is considered to occur.

Inflation is believed to solve the problems of the Big bang theory.

### Inflation

### Inflation is driven by a slow-rolling scalar field



A scalar field depends on position and time.



### Inflation

### $V(\phi)$ : the potential for the inflaton.

The energy density  $ho_{\phi}$  and pressure  $p_{\phi}$  of the scalar field  $\phi$ 



When the potential  $V(\phi)$  is approximately constant, inflation occurs.

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Friedmann equation : Representing the expansion of the universe

$$H^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \left( \frac{1}{2} \dot{\phi}^2 + V(\phi) \right)$$

*H*:Hubble parameter  $\dot{\phi}$ :Time derivative of the Inflaton field  $V(\phi)$ :Potential energy



Equation of motion

$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} + V'(\phi) = 0$$

To apply the slow-roll approximation, we make two assumptions.

The kinetic energy is much smaller than the potential energy.

The acceleration of the scalar field is small.



Slow-roll approximation

Friedmann Equation

Equation of Motion

 $H^2\approx \frac{8\pi G}{3}V(\phi)$ 

 $\dot{\phi^2} \ll V(\phi)$ 

 $\ddot{\phi} pprox 0$ 

 $3H\dot{\phi}\approx -V'(\phi)$ 

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Definition of slow-roll parameters

$$\epsilon \equiv \frac{1}{2} M_{pl}^2 \left(\frac{V'}{V}\right)^2$$
$$\eta \equiv M_{pl}^2 \frac{V''}{V}$$

V': First – order derivative of potential  $\phi$ V'': Second – order derivative of potential $\phi$  $M_{pl}$ : Planck mass

 $\epsilon \ll 1$ Inflation continues as long as $\eta \ll 1$ this condition holds.

Definition of spectral index  $n_s$ 

$$n_s - 1 = \frac{dInP_s(k)}{dInk}$$

$$n_s = 1 - 6\epsilon + 2\eta$$

#### *P<sub>s</sub>*: *Power spectrum*

$$P_s = \frac{H^2}{\dot{\phi^2}} \left(\frac{H}{2\pi}\right)^2$$

Definition of tensor-to-scalar ratio

$$\gamma = \frac{P_t(k)}{P_s(k)} = 16\epsilon$$

 $P_t(k)$ : Tensor power spectrum

$$P_t = \frac{8}{M_{pl}} \left(\frac{H}{2\pi}\right)^2$$

Running spectrum index

$$\alpha_s = \frac{dn_s}{dInk} \qquad \qquad \beta_s = \frac{d\alpha}{dInk}$$
$$\alpha_s = -24\epsilon^2 + 16\epsilon\eta - 2\xi^{(2)}$$
$$\beta_s = -192\epsilon^3 + 192\epsilon^2\eta - 32\epsilon\eta^2 + (-24\epsilon + 2\eta)\xi^{(2)} + 2\sigma^{(3)}$$

High-order slow-roll parameters

$$\xi^{(2)} = M_{pl}^4 \frac{V'V''}{V^2}$$
$$\sigma^{(3)} = M_{pl}^6 \frac{(V')^2 V'''}{V^3}$$

Constraints on the running spectral index have also been obtained through observations of the Planck satellite.

### **Various Inflation Models**

Chaotic inflation

$$V(\phi) = \lambda M_{pl}^4 \left(\frac{\phi}{M_{pl}}\right)^n$$

Hilltop inflation

$$V(\phi) = V_0 \left[ 1 - \left(\frac{\phi}{\mu}\right)^p + \cdot \cdot \right]$$

Natural inflation

$$V(\phi) = \Lambda^4 \left[ 1 - \cos\left(\frac{\phi}{f_{\phi}}\right) \right]$$

Power-law inflation  $V(\phi) = V_0 e^{\frac{\alpha \phi}{M_{pl}}}$ 

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### **Current observational constraints**

This figure compares observational data with theoretical predictions. Shaded regions are constraints from observations. Various potentials have been excluded.



Planck 2018 results

Plank 2018 results X. Constraints on inflation

### Reason for Using the k-means Method for Clustering

### Merit

- Low computational cost and easily accommodates large datasets.
- Each data point is clearly classified into a cluster, facilitating subsequent analysis and classification.
- The number of clusters can be specified, allowing for easy adjustment.

### Reason for Clustering Inflation Models

Difficult to analyze from a single perspective due to multiple parameters.

• Clustering allows grouping of models with different parameters and trends.

#### non-hierarchical clustering



Clustering A method of unsupervised learning in which given data is grouped together by similarity.

### Step 1

Determine the number of clusters

In this work, we divide them to divide them into three clusters.



<u>k-means clustering</u> A method of unsupervised learning in which given data is grouped together by similarity.





Step 3

Cluster the data based on the distance to the center of gravity.



#### Step 4

Recalculate the center of gravity for each class





#### Step 5

Repeat Steps 3 and 4 until no change occurs



Steps 3 and 4 are repeated, and the state at the point when there are no more changes is the output of the k-means method.



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### **Summary**

### **Discovery of correlations**

It may be possible to identify correlations between various parameters. (For example, ns, r,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ )

### Discovery of new physical phenomena

The patterns and characteristics of the data obtained through clustering may lead to the discovery of new physical phenomena or mechanisms that cannot be explained by existing theories or models.