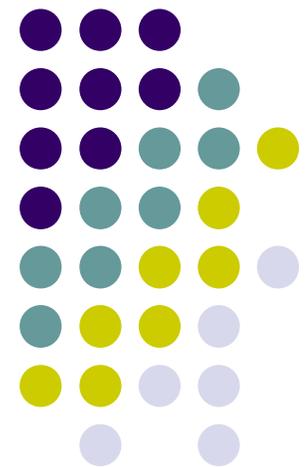


Effects of
Nonlinear Dispersion Relations
on Non-Gaussianities

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Introduction

- Primordial non-Gaussianities is among the most promising probes of our early universe.
- Any observed **departure from a Gaussian spectrum** will likely point us to some **interesting microphysics**.
- Even within the context of single-field inflation, non-canonical kinetic terms can generate large bispectra (3-point function) of the equilateral shapes.

X. Chen, et. al. (2006)

- Or a **non Bunch-Davies** initial state of inflation can boost the **folded/flattened** momentum configurations.

X. Chen, et. al. (2006)
Tolley & Holman (2007)
Ashoorioon & Shiu (2010)



$$k_1 + k_2 = k_3$$

- Features in the potential can result in a large bispectrum with oscillatory running.

X. Chen, R. Easther, E. A. Lim (2006)

- In this talk, I will investigate the effect of non-linear dispersion relations on the bispectrum.

Modified Dispersion Relation

$$u_{\vec{k}}'' + \left(\omega(\eta, \vec{k})^2 - \frac{z''}{z} \right) u_{\vec{k}} = 0$$

$u_{\vec{k}}(\eta)$: Mukhanov-Sasaki variable

$$u_{\vec{k}}(\eta) = z \zeta_{\vec{k}}(\eta) \quad z = \frac{a\dot{\phi}}{H}$$



- In the standard QFT formalism, $\omega(\eta, \vec{k}) = k \equiv |\vec{k}|$
- The dispersion relations were motivated by some **condensed matter** expectation from QG, that were used to study the trans-Planckian issue in **Black hole** physics.

$$\omega^2 = F^2(p)$$

Unruh (1996)

Jacobson, Corley (1996,1997)

- To implement this in an expanding background:

$$k^2 \Rightarrow a^2(\eta) F^2 \left(\frac{k}{a(\eta)} \right)$$

Brandenberger & Martin (2001)

Brandenberger (2002)

we will focus on Corley-Jacobson dispersion relation with positive quartic correction

$$k^2 \Rightarrow a^2(\eta) F^2 \left(\frac{k}{a(\eta)} \right) = k^2 + b_1 \frac{k^4}{p_c^2 a^2(\eta)}$$

Modified Dispersion Relation from Effective Field Theory of Inflation

C. Cheung, P. Creminelli, A. L. Fitzpatrick,
J. Kaplan and Leonardo Senatore (2008)



Considering fluctuations around a FRW background, using a unitary gauge in which $\delta\phi(\vec{x}, t) = 0$, the most general form of the action that respects the remaining **spatial diffeomorphism**

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{1}{2} M_{\text{Pl}}^2 R + M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \dot{H} g^{00} - M_{\text{Pl}}^2 (3H^2 + \dot{H}) + \frac{1}{2!} M_2(t)^4 (g^{00} + 1)^2 + \frac{1}{3!} M_3(t)^4 (g^{00} + 1)^3 + \right. \\ \left. - \frac{\bar{M}_1(t)^3}{2} (g^{00} + 1) \delta K^\mu{}_\mu - \frac{\bar{M}_2(t)^2}{2} \delta K^\mu{}_\mu{}^2 - \frac{\bar{M}_3(t)^2}{2} \delta K^\mu{}_\nu \delta K^\nu{}_\mu + \dots \right]. \quad (10)$$

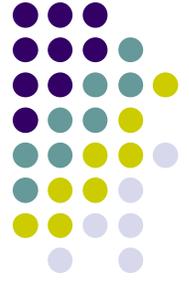
Time diffeomorphism is broken in the unitary gauge. The Goldstone boson, π that realizes this symmetry could be restored using the Stueckelberg procedure.

$$\mathcal{L}_2 = a^3 \left[M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \dot{H} (\partial_\mu \pi)^2 + 2M_2^4 \dot{\pi}^2 - \bar{M}_1^3 H \left(3\dot{\pi}^2 - \frac{(\partial_i \pi)^2}{2a^2} \right) - \frac{\bar{M}_2^2}{2} \left(9H^2 \dot{\pi}^2 - 3H^2 \frac{(\partial_i \pi)^2}{a^2} + \frac{1}{a^4} (\partial_i^2 \pi)^2 \right) - \frac{\bar{M}_3^2}{2} \left(3H^2 \dot{\pi}^2 - H^2 \frac{(\partial_i \pi)^2}{a^2} + \frac{1}{a^4} (\partial_j^2 \pi)^2 \right) \right].$$

Nicola Bartolo, Matteo Fasiello,
Sabino Matarrese and
A. Riotto (2010)

For $c_s \ll 1$ the terms proportional to $\frac{1}{a^4} (\partial_i^2 \pi)^2$ becomes comparable with the quadratic terms. Thus in terms of $u(\vec{k}, \eta) = a(\eta) \pi(\vec{k}, \eta)$

$$u'' - \frac{2}{\tau^2} u + \alpha_0 k^2 u + \beta_0 k^4 \tau^2 u = 0,$$



EOM for the perturbations in de-Sitter space

$$u_k''(\eta) + \left(k^2 + \epsilon^2 k^4 \eta^2 - \frac{2}{\eta^2}\right) u_k = 0 \quad \epsilon \equiv \frac{b_1^{1/2} H}{p_c}$$

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} u_k &= \frac{C_1}{\sqrt{-\eta}} \text{WW} \left(\frac{i}{4\epsilon}, \frac{3}{4}, -i\epsilon k^2 \eta^2 \right) + \frac{C_2}{\sqrt{-\eta}} \text{WW}^* \left(\frac{i}{4\epsilon}, \frac{3}{4}, -i\epsilon k^2 \eta^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{C_1}{\sqrt{-\eta}} \text{WW} \left(\frac{i}{4\epsilon}, \frac{3}{4}, -i\epsilon k^2 \eta^2 \right) + \frac{C_2}{\sqrt{-\eta}} \text{WW} \left(\frac{-i}{4\epsilon}, \frac{3}{4}, i\epsilon k^2 \eta^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

Requiring the mode behaves like positive frequency WKB mode

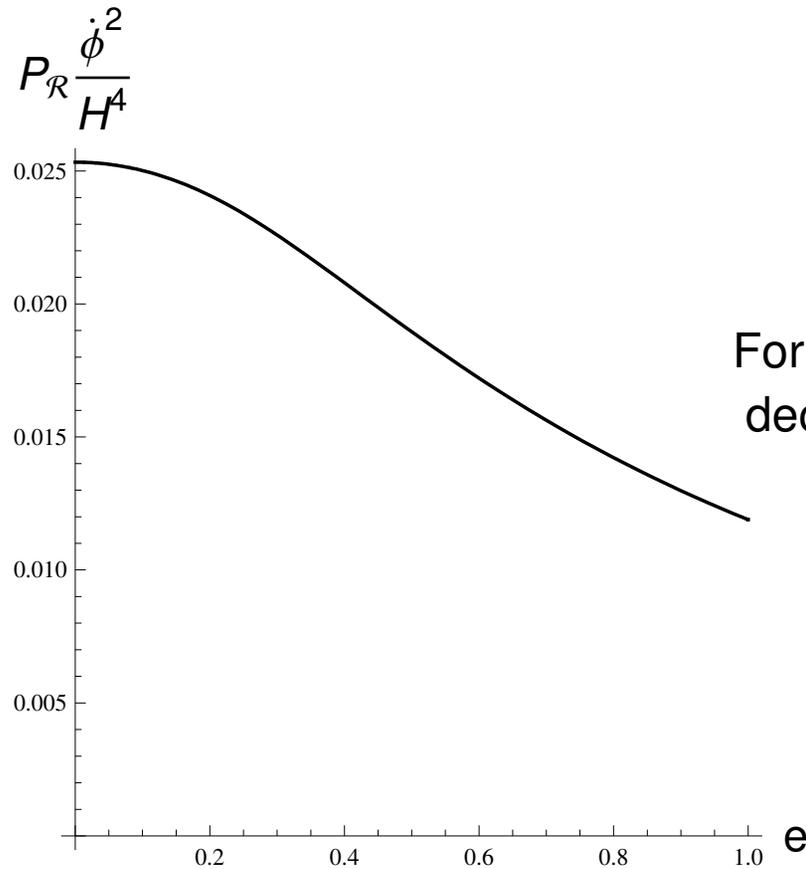
$$\begin{aligned} u_k(\eta) &\simeq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\omega(\eta)}} \exp\left(-i \int^\eta \omega(\eta') d\eta'\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{k\sqrt{-2\epsilon\eta}} \exp\left(\frac{i\epsilon k^2 \eta^2}{2}\right) \end{aligned} \quad \longrightarrow \quad C_2 = 0$$

$$u(\eta)u'^*(\eta) - u^*(\eta)u'(\eta) = i \quad \longrightarrow \quad C_1 = \frac{\exp\left(\frac{-\pi}{8\epsilon}\right)}{\sqrt{2\epsilon k}}$$

$$P_{\mathcal{R}}(\epsilon) = \frac{H^4}{\dot{\phi}^2} \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{\pi}{4\epsilon}\right)}{16\pi\epsilon^{3/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{4} - \frac{i}{4\epsilon}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{5}{4} + \frac{i}{4\epsilon}\right)}$$

The leading order correction to the power spectrum is proportional to ϵ^2

$$P_{\mathcal{R}}(\epsilon) \simeq \left(\frac{H^2}{2\pi\dot{\phi}} \right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{5}{4}\epsilon^2 \right)$$



For $\epsilon \gg 1$ the power spectrum decreases like $\epsilon^{-3/2}$

Three-point function

One can calculate the Wightman function:

$$G_k(\eta, \eta') = \frac{\exp(-\frac{\pi}{4\epsilon})\sqrt{\eta\eta'} H^4}{2\epsilon k^2 \dot{\phi}^2} \text{WW} \left(\frac{i}{4\epsilon}, \frac{3}{4}, -i\epsilon k^2 \eta^2 \right) \text{WW} \left(\frac{-i}{4\epsilon}, \frac{3}{4}, i\epsilon k^2 \eta'^2 \right)$$

Recall that

$$\langle \zeta_{\vec{k}_1} \zeta_{\vec{k}_2} \zeta_{\vec{k}_3} \rangle = -i(2\pi)^3 \delta^3 \left(\sum \vec{k}_i \right) \left(\frac{\dot{\phi}}{H} \right)^4 M_P^{-2} H \int_{\eta_0}^0 d\eta \frac{1}{k_3^2} (a(\eta) \partial_\eta G_{k_1}^>(0, \eta)) (a(\eta) \partial_\eta G_{k_2}^>(0, \eta)) (a(\eta) \partial_\eta G_{k_3}^>(0, \eta))$$

$$a(\eta) \partial_\eta G_k^>(0, \eta) = -\frac{(-1)^{\frac{1}{8}} H^3 \exp(-\frac{\pi}{4\epsilon}) \sqrt{\pi}}{8\epsilon^{\frac{9}{4}} k^{\frac{5}{2}} \dot{\phi}^2 (-\eta)^{\frac{3}{2}} \Gamma \left[\frac{5}{4} - \frac{i}{4\epsilon} \right]} \left[-4\epsilon \text{WW} \left(1 - \frac{i}{4\epsilon}, \frac{3}{4}, i\epsilon k^2 \eta^2 \right) + (i + \epsilon + 2i\epsilon^2 k^2 \eta^2) \right. \\ \left. \times \text{WW} \left(\frac{-i}{4\epsilon}, \frac{3}{4}, i\epsilon k^2 \eta^2 \right) \right]$$

First we write WW functions in terms of KummerM. Then we expand KummerM functions in terms of Bessel-J function

$$M(a, b, z) = \Gamma(b) \exp(hz) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n z^n (-az)^{\frac{1}{2}(1-b-n)} J_{b-1+n}(2\sqrt{-az})$$

$$C_{n+1} = \frac{1}{(n+1)} [((1-2h)n - bh)C_n + ((1-2h)a - h(h-1)(b+n-1))C_{n-1} - h(h-1)aC_{n-2}],$$

$$C_0 = 1, \quad C_1 = -bh, \quad C_2 = -\frac{1}{2}(2h-1)a + \frac{b}{2}(b+1)h^2$$

Abramowitz & Stegun



We set $h = 0$ in the expansion:

$$a(\eta)\partial_\eta G_k^>(0, \eta) \simeq \frac{H^3}{\dot{\phi}^2} \exp\left(\frac{-i\epsilon k^2 \eta^2}{2} + ik\eta\right) \left[-\frac{1}{2k} - \epsilon \frac{ik\eta^2}{4} + \epsilon^2 \left(\frac{5}{8k} - i\frac{5\eta}{8} - \frac{1}{8}k\eta^2 - \frac{i}{12}k^2\eta^3 + \frac{1}{16}k^3\eta^4 \right) \right]$$

BD-vacuum
QFT result



$$\langle \zeta_{\vec{k}_1} \zeta_{\vec{k}_2} \zeta_{\vec{k}_3} \rangle_0 = -i(2\pi)^3 \delta^3 \left(\sum \vec{k}_i \right) \left(\frac{\dot{\phi}}{H} \right)^4 M_P^{-2} H \int_{-\infty}^0 d\eta \frac{1}{k_3^2} \frac{-H^9}{8\dot{\phi}^6 k_1 k_2 k_3} \exp \left[-i\eta(k_1 + k_2 + k_3) + \frac{i\epsilon\eta^2}{2}(k_1^2 + k_2^2 + k_3^2) \right]$$

+ c.c. + permutations

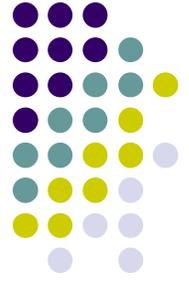
$$\langle \zeta_{\vec{k}_1} \zeta_{\vec{k}_2} \zeta_{\vec{k}_3} \rangle_0 = 2\Re \left[\frac{H^6}{\dot{\phi}^2 M_P^2} \frac{(-1)^{\frac{3}{4}} \pi^{\frac{7}{2}} \exp(-\frac{ik_t^2}{2\epsilon k_s^2}) \text{Erfi} \left[\frac{(1-i)(-k_t + \epsilon k_s^2 \eta)}{2\sqrt{\epsilon k_s^2}} \right]}{k_1 k_2 k_3^3 \sqrt{2\epsilon k_s^2}} \right]_{\eta=-\infty}^{\eta=0} + \text{permutations,}$$

In contrast to the Lorentzian dispersion relation, the integrand remains finite at $\eta = -\infty$ after the change of variable from $\eta \rightarrow \eta + i\epsilon|\eta|$

$$k_t \equiv k_1 + k_2 + k_3$$

$$k_s^2 \equiv k_1^2 + k_2^2 + k_3^2$$

$$\langle \zeta_{\vec{k}_1} \zeta_{\vec{k}_2} \zeta_{\vec{k}_3} \rangle_0 \simeq \delta^3 \left(\sum_i \vec{k}_i \right) \left[\frac{2H^6 \pi^3}{\dot{\phi}^2 k_1 k_2 k_3 k_t M_p^2} - \epsilon^2 \frac{6H^6 k_s^4 \pi^3}{\dot{\phi}^2 k_1 k_2 k_3 k_t^5 M_p^2} \right] \left(\frac{1}{k_1^2} + \frac{1}{k_2^2} + \frac{1}{k_3^2} \right)$$



Contribution of the term proportional to ϵ and could be also calculated

$$\langle \zeta_{\vec{k}_1} \zeta_{\vec{k}_2} \zeta_{\vec{k}_3} \rangle_1 \simeq \delta^3 \left(\sum_i \vec{k}_i \right) \epsilon^2 \frac{12H^6 k_s^4 \pi^3}{\dot{\phi}^2 k_1 k_2 k_3 k_t^5 M_p^2} \left(\frac{1}{k_1^2} + \frac{1}{k_2^2} + \frac{1}{k_3^2} \right)$$

$$\langle \zeta_{\vec{k}_1} \zeta_{\vec{k}_2} \zeta_{\vec{k}_3} \rangle_2 \simeq \delta^3 \left(\sum \vec{k}_i \right) \epsilon^2 \frac{\pi^3 H^6 (6k_s^4 - 2k_c^3 k_t + k_s^2 k_t^2 + 10k_t^4)}{k_1 k_2 k_3 k_t^5 M_p^2 \dot{\phi}^2} \left(\frac{1}{k_1^2} + \frac{1}{k_2^2} + \frac{1}{k_3^2} \right)$$

$$\langle \zeta_{\vec{k}_1}(\eta) \zeta_{\vec{k}_2}(\eta) \zeta_{\vec{k}_3}(\eta) \rangle = \delta \left(\sum \vec{k}_i \right) (2\pi)^3 F(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2, \vec{k}_3, \eta), \quad k_c^3 = k_1^3 + k_2^3 + k_3^3$$

F is a function of degree -6. Due to rotational invariance, it is a function of $x_2 \equiv k_2/k_1$ and $x_3 \equiv k_3/k_1$

$$x_3 \leq x_2 \quad 1 - x_2 \leq x_3 \longrightarrow \text{Triangle Inequality}$$

1) **Local configuration:** $x_3 \simeq 0$ and $x_2 \simeq 1$

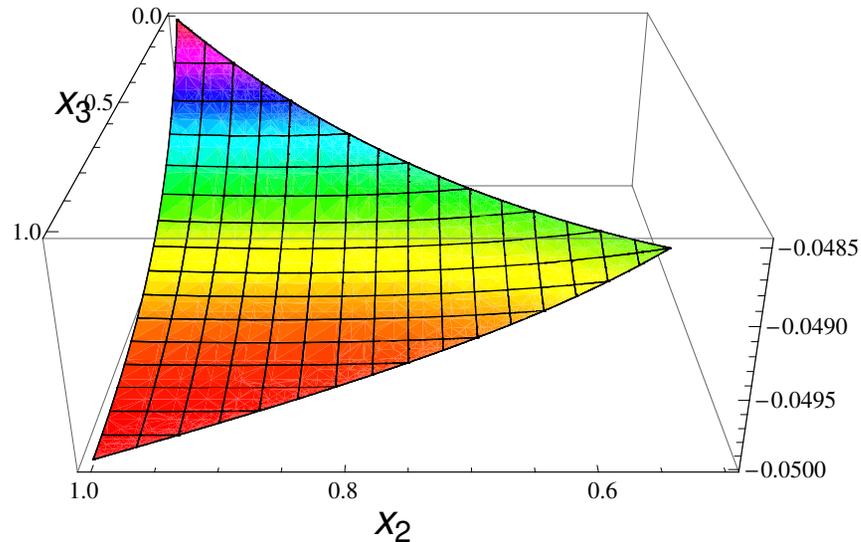
Models in which non-linearities are developed beyond the horizon, tend to produce a more local type of non-Gaussianity, like the **Curvaton** model [Lyth, Wands (2001)].

2) **Equilateral configuration:** $x_2 \simeq x_3 \simeq 1$

Correlation is among the modes with comparable wavelength that leave the horizon around the same time. These models tend to produce equilateral type of non-Gaussianities. Models like DBI inflation [Alishahiha, Silverstein, Tong (2004)] that involve derivative interactions.

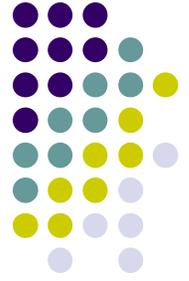
$$\frac{\Delta F(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2, \vec{k}_3)}{F(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2, \vec{k}_3)} = \left(-5 + \frac{k_c^3}{k_t^3} - \frac{k_s^2}{2k_t^2}\right)\epsilon^2$$

$$\frac{\Delta F(1, x_2, x_3)}{F(1, x_2, x_3)}$$



The quartic correction to the dispersion relation decreases the amplitude of NG.

The largest suppression occurs for the **equilateral** configurations.



Comparison with the gluing method:

$$(k|\eta|)^2 < 2$$

$$2 < (k|\eta|)^2 < \epsilon^{-2}$$

$$(k|\eta|)^2 > \epsilon^{-2}$$

region I

region II

region III

Martin & Brandenberger (2001)

- Knowing that the evolution in the region III leads to excited state as the initial condition for region II, one would expect to observe enhancement for the folded configurations!

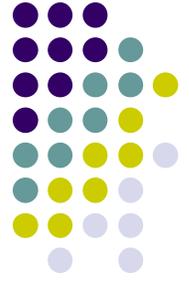
- In fact,

$$u_k = \frac{\alpha_k}{\sqrt{2k}} e^{-ik\eta} + \frac{\beta_k}{\sqrt{2k}} e^{ik\eta}, \quad \begin{cases} \alpha_k = e^{-\frac{i}{2\epsilon}} \left(1 + i\frac{\epsilon}{4}\right) \\ \beta_k = -ie^{i\frac{3}{2\epsilon}} \left(\frac{\epsilon}{4}\right) \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{\Delta F}{F} \approx |C_4 k \eta_c| \approx 1$$

$$\eta_c = -\frac{1}{\epsilon k}$$

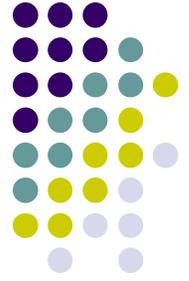
- The gluing method predicts **enhancement to be of order one for the bispectrum!**
- Calculating the power spectrum using the gluing method also shows that $\frac{\Delta P_s}{P_s} \approx \epsilon$!
- This specific example shows the **incapability of the gluing method** in capturing the correct modification.



Conclusion

- We calculated the effect of **Jacobson-Corley nonlinear** dispersion relation on the **shape function** for the non-Gaussianities
- The modification is small and slightly scale-dependent. Major modification occurs for the **equilateral configurations**.
- We showed that the gluing method overestimates the leading order correction to the spectrum and bispectrum by one and two orders, respectively, in H / p_c
- In the paper by **Bartolo et. al. (2010)**, various bispectra, that are generated in effective field theory approach to single field inflation, is studied **numerically**. However they had assumed that the contribution of the **contribution of the integral function at $\eta = -\infty$ has been set to zero**, which is not really a correct thing to do!

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_3 = & \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \dot{H} (\partial_\mu \pi)^2 + M_2(t)^4 \left(2\dot{\pi}^2 - 2\dot{\pi} \frac{(\partial_i \pi)^2}{a^2} \right) - \frac{4}{3} M_3(t)^4 \dot{\pi}^3 \right. \\
 & - \frac{\bar{M}_1(t)^3}{2} \left(\frac{-2H(\partial_i \pi)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(\partial_i \pi)^2 \partial_j^2 \pi}{a^4} \right) - \frac{\bar{M}_2(t)^2}{2} \left(\frac{(\partial_i^2 \pi)(\partial_j^2 \pi) + H(\partial_i^2 \pi)(\partial_j \pi)^2 + 2\dot{\pi} \partial_i^2 \partial_j \pi \partial_j \pi}{a^4} \right) \\
 & - \frac{\bar{M}_3(t)^2}{2} \left(\frac{(\partial_i^2 \pi)(\partial_j^2 \pi) + 2H(\partial_i \pi)^2 \partial_i^2 \pi + 2\dot{\pi} \partial_{ij}^2 \pi \partial_j \pi}{a^4} \right) - \frac{2}{3} \bar{M}_4(t)^3 \frac{1}{a^2} \dot{\pi}^2 \partial_i^2 \pi + \frac{\bar{M}_5(t)^2}{3} \frac{\dot{\pi}}{a^4} (\partial_i^2 \pi)^2 \\
 & \left. + \frac{\bar{M}_6(t)^2}{3} \frac{\dot{\pi}}{a^4} (\partial_{ij} \pi)^2 - \frac{\bar{M}_7(t)}{3!} \frac{(\partial_i^2 \pi)^3}{a^6} - \frac{\bar{M}_8(t)}{3!} \frac{\partial_i^2 \pi}{a^6} (\partial_{jk} \pi)^2 - \frac{\bar{M}_9(t)}{3!} \frac{1}{a^6} \partial_{ij} \pi \partial_{jk} \pi \partial_{ki} \pi \right]. \quad (13)
 \end{aligned}$$



Thank you!