

Problems:

<u>Singularity</u>

<u>Horizon</u>

<u>Flatness</u>

Homogeneity

Perturbations

Dark matter

Dark energy / cosmological constant

Baryogenesis

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Accepted solution = INFLATION

Topological defects (monopoles)



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- provide challengers / new ingredients!

A brief history of bouncing cosmology

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→ Penrose: BH formation

 $S_2 > S_1$

Quantum nucleation?

 PBB - Ekpyrotic - Modified gravity - Quantum cosmology - Quintom -Horava-Lifshitz - Lee-Wick - ...

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 $S_3 > S_2 > S_1$









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Influence of the spatial curvature?

 \rightarrow Modify GR to non singular theories (curvature invariants)

$$\mathcal{S} = \frac{1}{16\pi G_{\rm N}} \int \mathrm{d}^4 x \sqrt{-g} \left[R + \sum_{i=1}^N \varphi_i I^{(i)} - V\left(\varphi\right) \right] \qquad \Longrightarrow \frac{\mathrm{d}V}{\mathrm{d}\varphi} = I$$

R. Brandenberger, V. F. Mukhanov and A. Sornborger, Phys. Rev. D48, 1629 (1993)

















A generic model-independent treatment of the bounce phase?

Geometric matching conditions?





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Solutions to old puzzles

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