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Perturbations and observational aspects of mutated hilltop inflation

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We perform a careful investigation of cosmological perturbations and observational aspects, taking mutated hilltop inflation as a representative model. Employing mostly analytical treatment, we derive the formalism of quantum fluctuation and the corresponding postinflationary perturbation theory which directly reflect the feature of a typical model of inflation. This further leads to exploring observational aspects related to Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB) radiation. The analysis results in modifications of the standard cosmological relations which are usually employed in determining certain cosmological parameters.

We also demonstrate that this semi-analytical treatment reduces complications related to numerical computation to some extent and may even result in increased accuracy level for studying the features of different phenomena related to CMB angular power spectrum, which can be subject to observational verification in near future.

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