Baryogenesis via Cosmic Quantum Fluctuation

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1 The Problem - Matter/Anti-Matter Asymmetry

2 The Model - Baryogenesis as a Quantum Fluctuation



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Typical extensions to the SM involve mechanisms which provide the following:

- B violation
- C and CP violation
- Departure from thermal equilibrium

Can we achieve the asymmetry without these conditions?

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