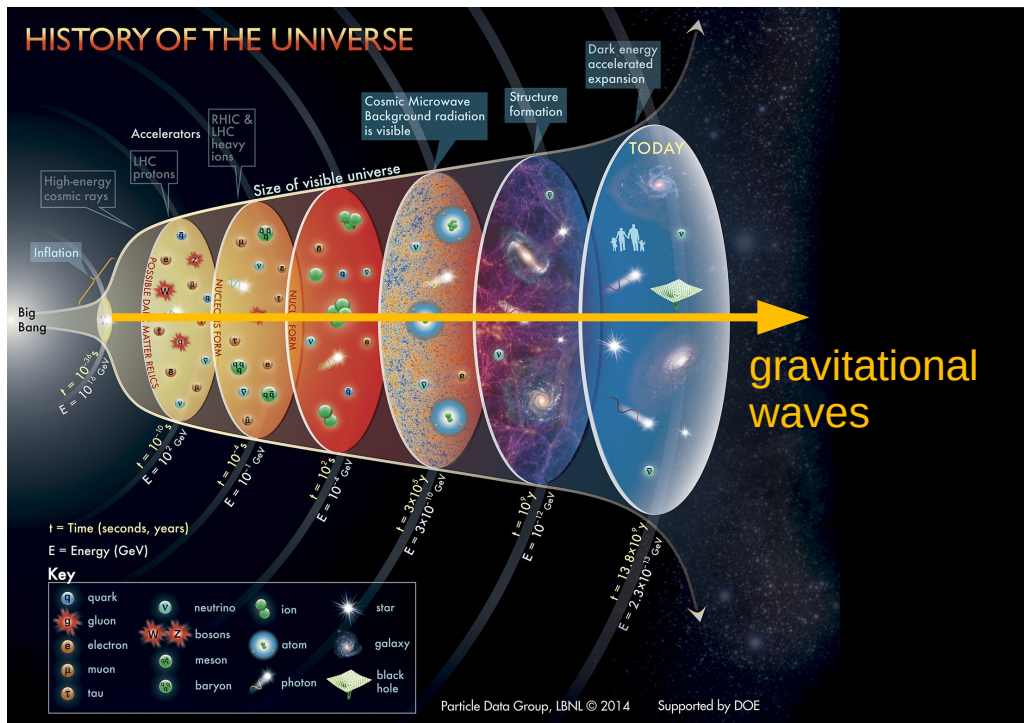


Metastable cosmic strings as a probe of baryogenesis?



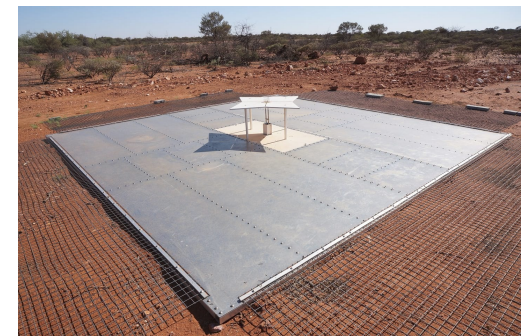
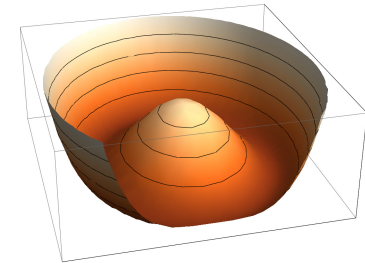
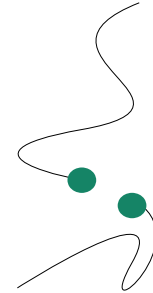
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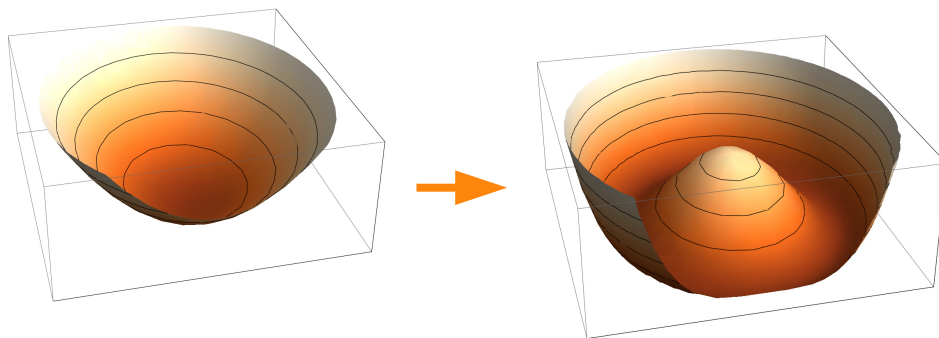
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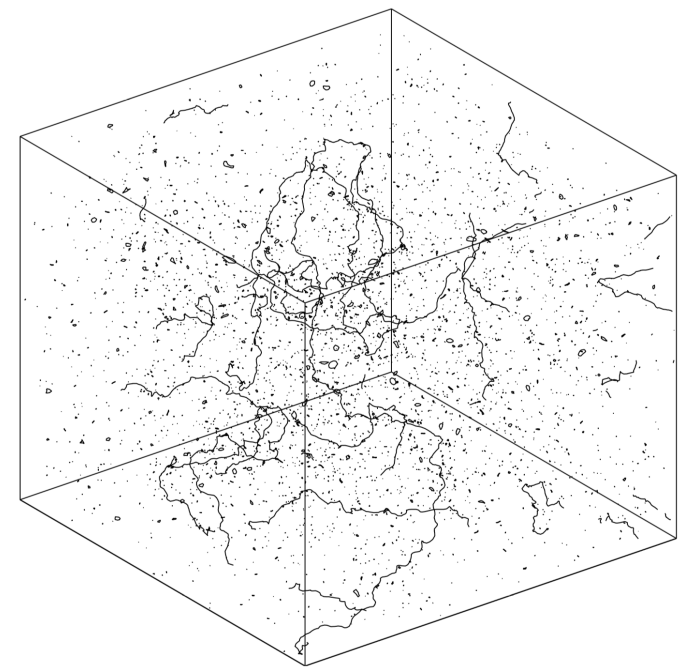
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cosmic strings in a nutshell

- one-dimensional topological defects formed in an early Universe phase transition
- symmetry breaking pattern $G \rightarrow H$ produces cosmic strings iff $\Pi_1(G/H) \neq 1$



- form cosmic string network, evolves through
 - string (self-)intersection & loop formation
 - emission of particles and gravitational waves



Allen & Shellard '90

metastable cosmic strings

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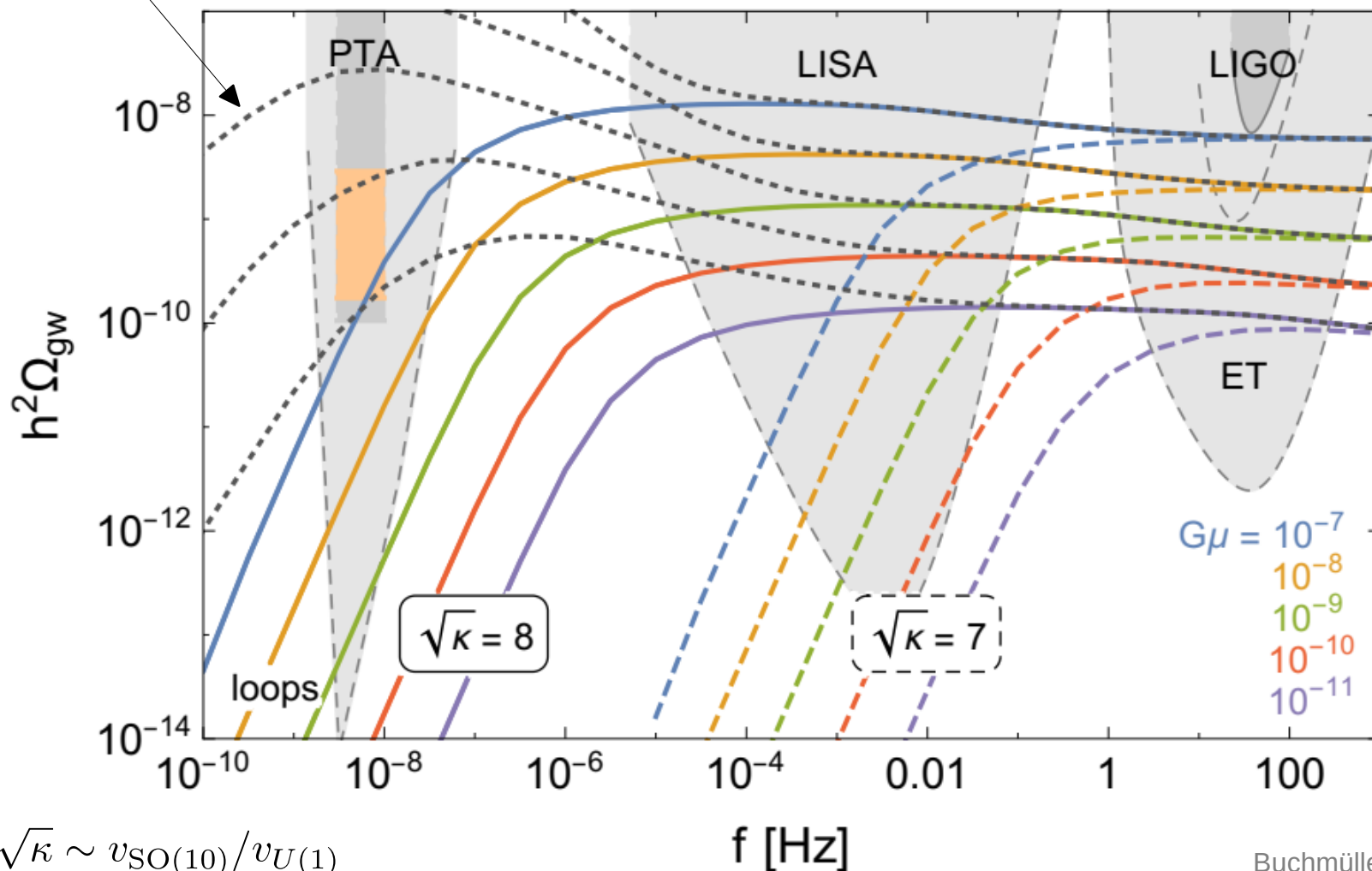
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GW contribution from loops > GW contribution from segments

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stable cosmic strings
(highly constrained by PTA)

metastable cosmic strings
discovery space for LISA, LIGO & beyond



$$\sqrt{k} \sim v_{\text{SO}(10)}/v_{U(1)}$$

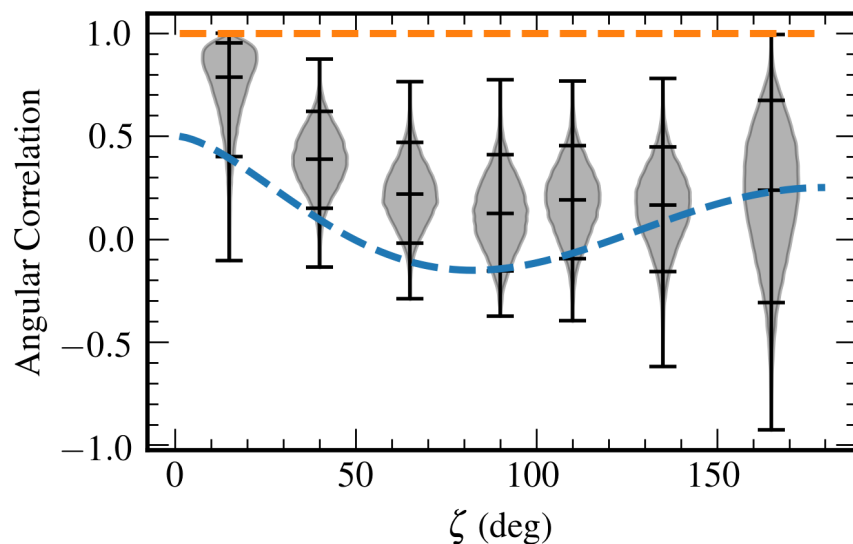
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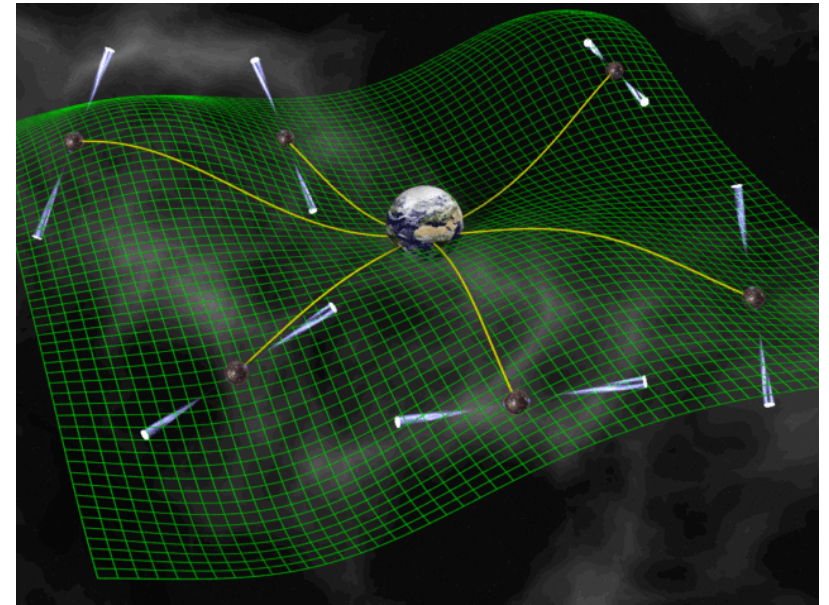
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Pulsar timing array NANOGrav, Sept 2020:

“Our analysis finds strong evidence of a stochastic process, modeled as a power-law, with common amplitude and spectral slope across pulsars.”



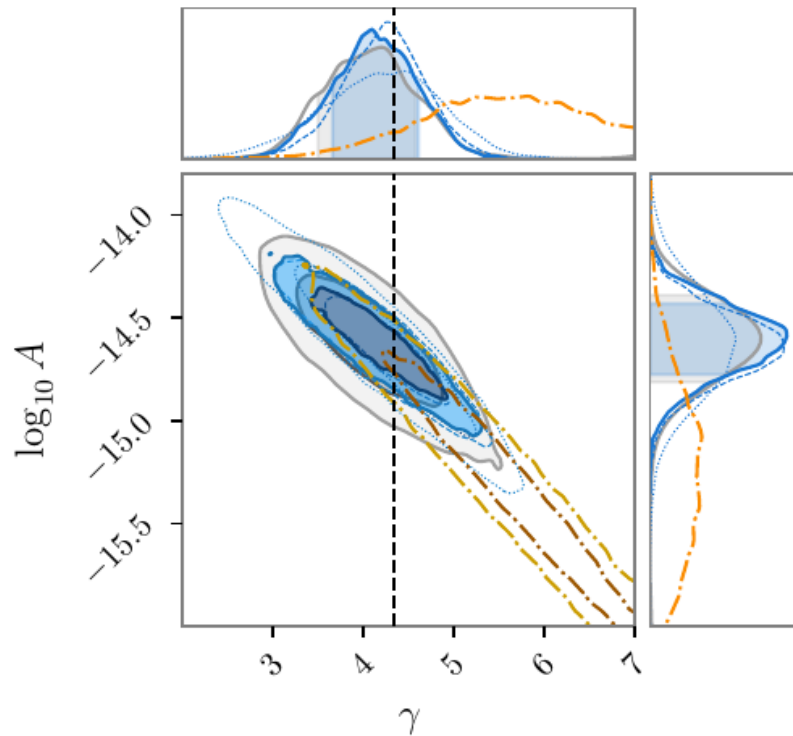
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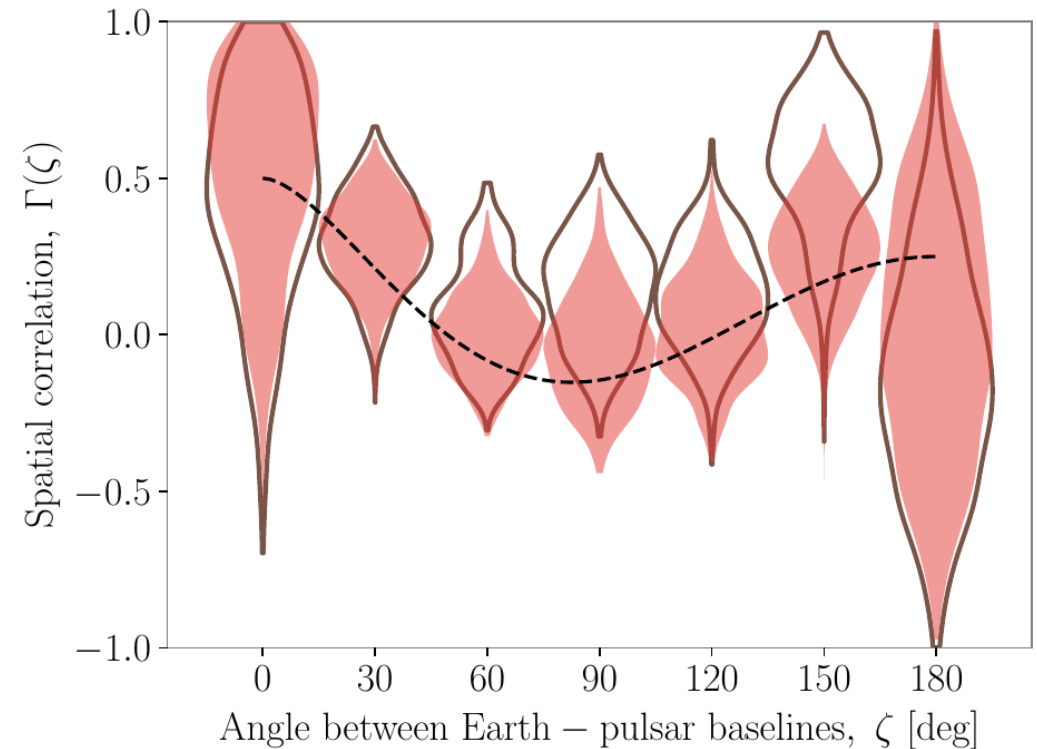
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Parkes Pulsar timing array

PPTA `21, 2107.12112



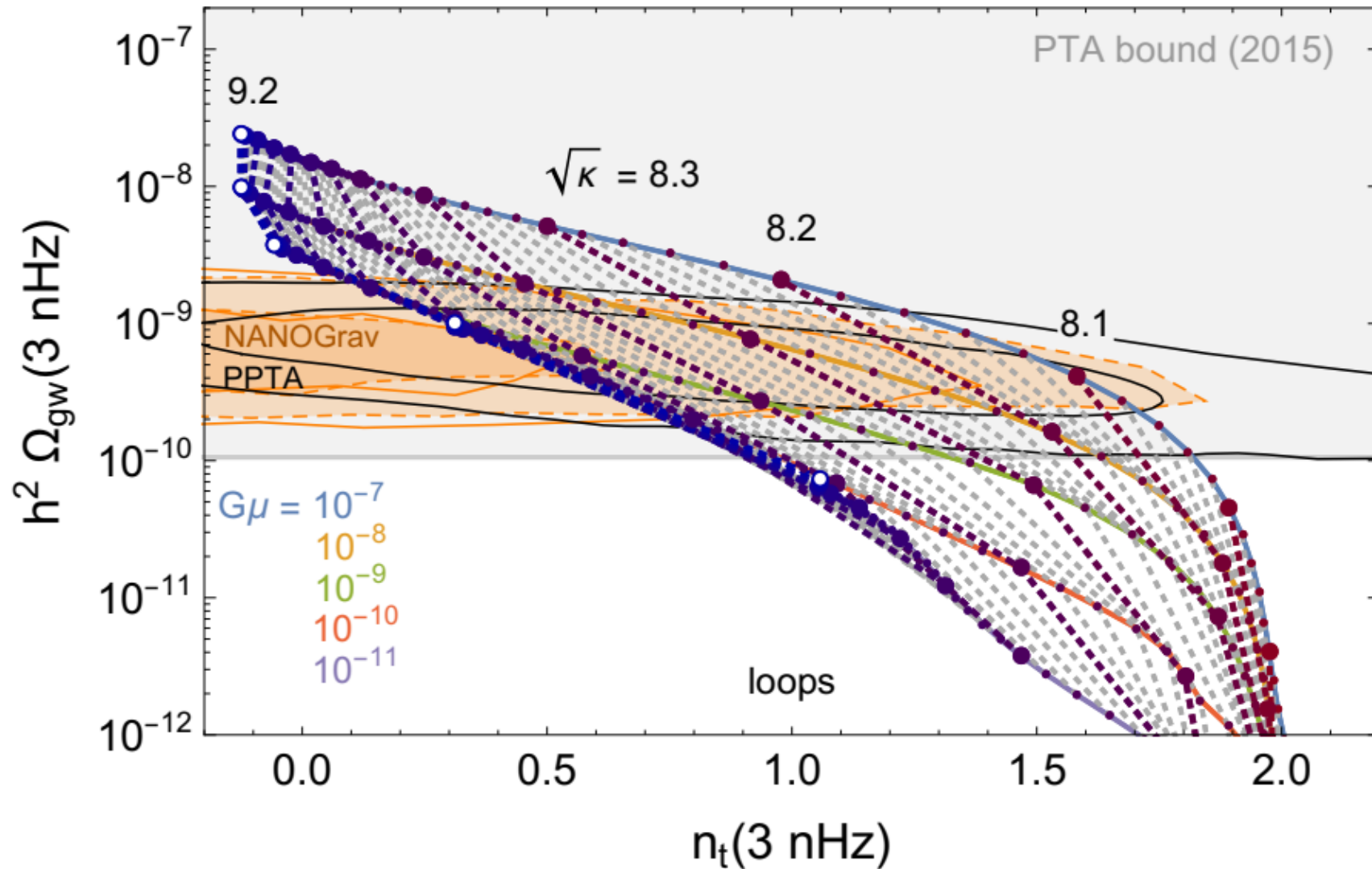
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competitive with NANOGrav



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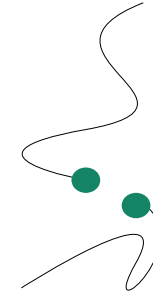
Maybe. Stay tuned for more data!

metastable cosmic strings at PTAs ?

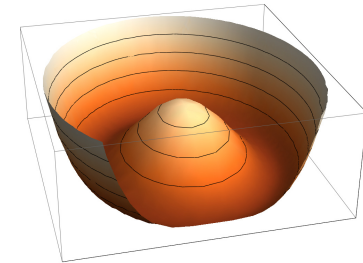


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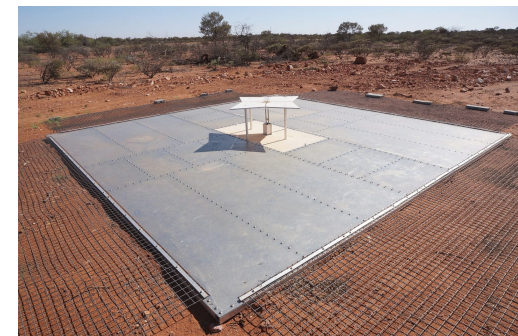
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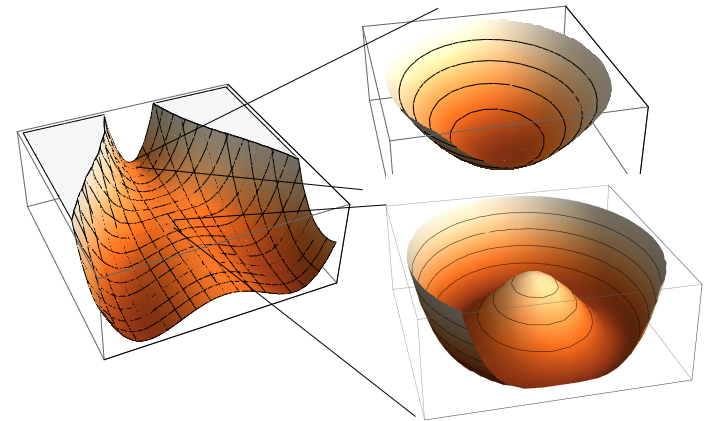
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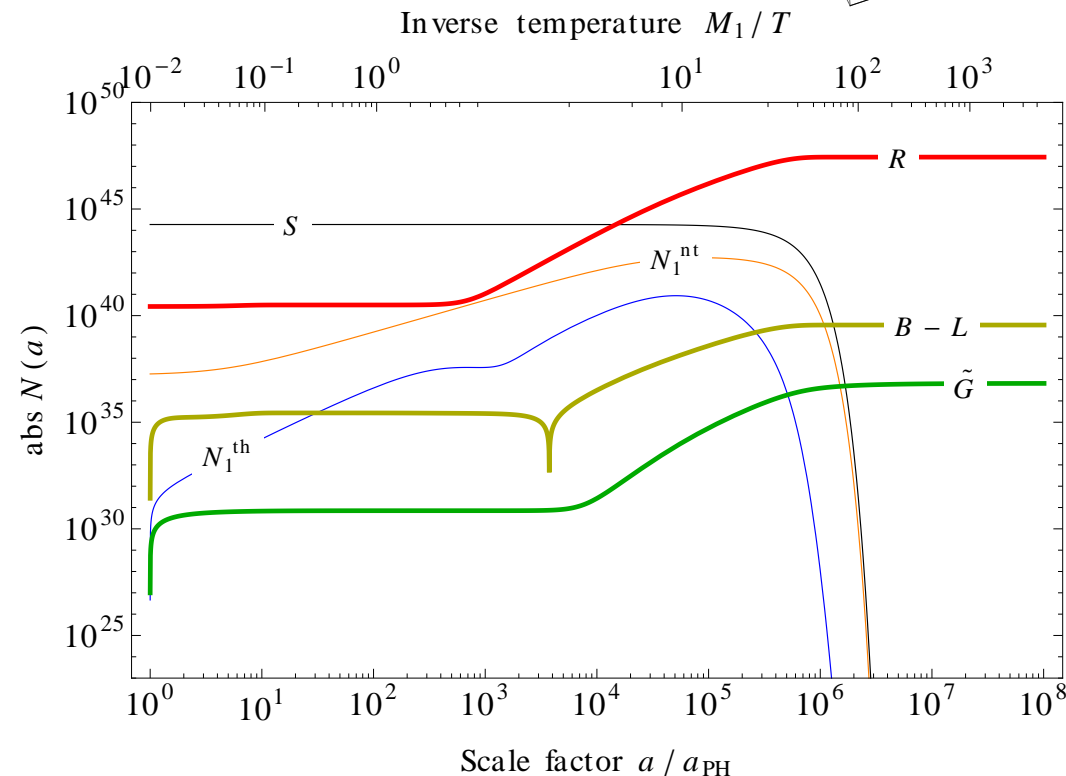
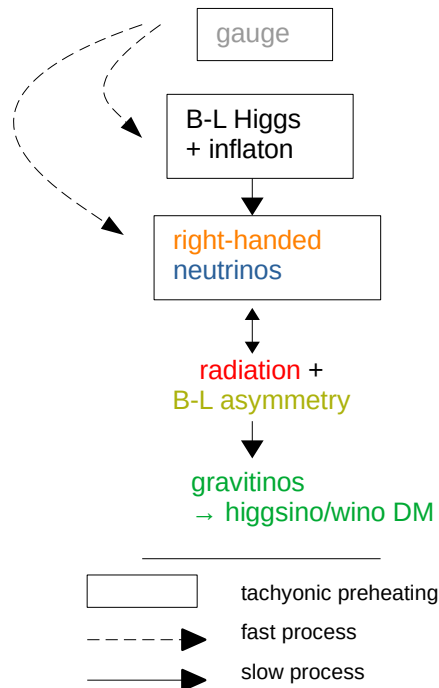
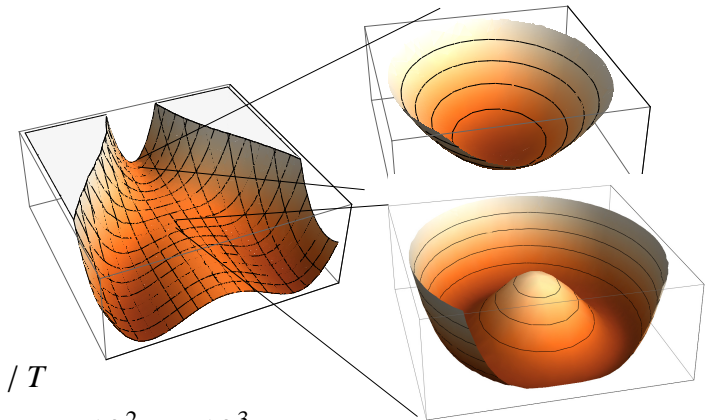
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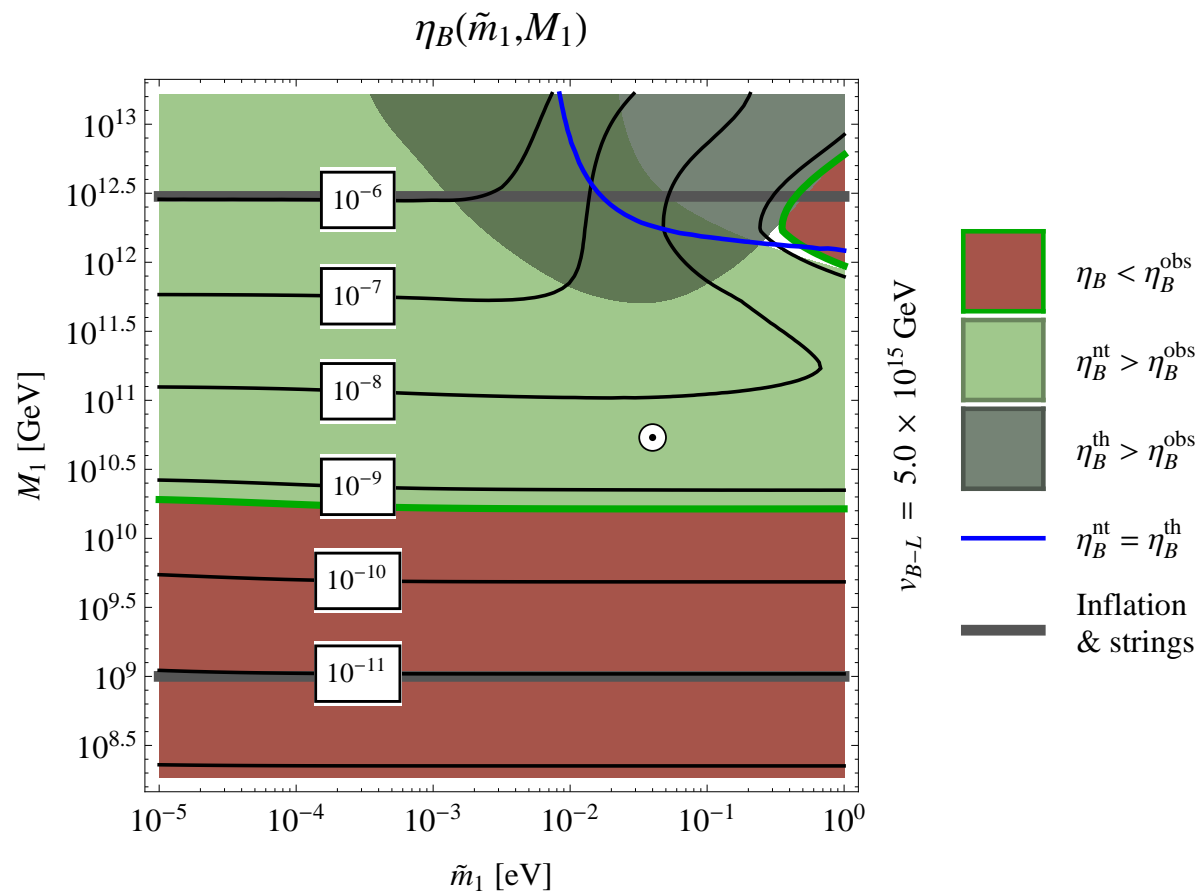
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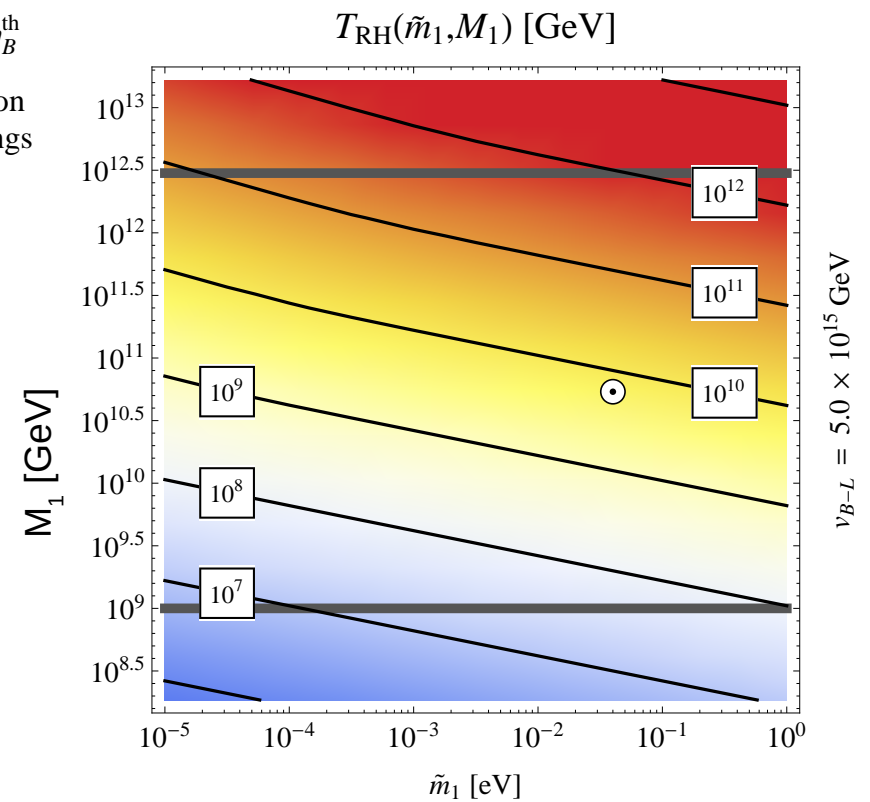
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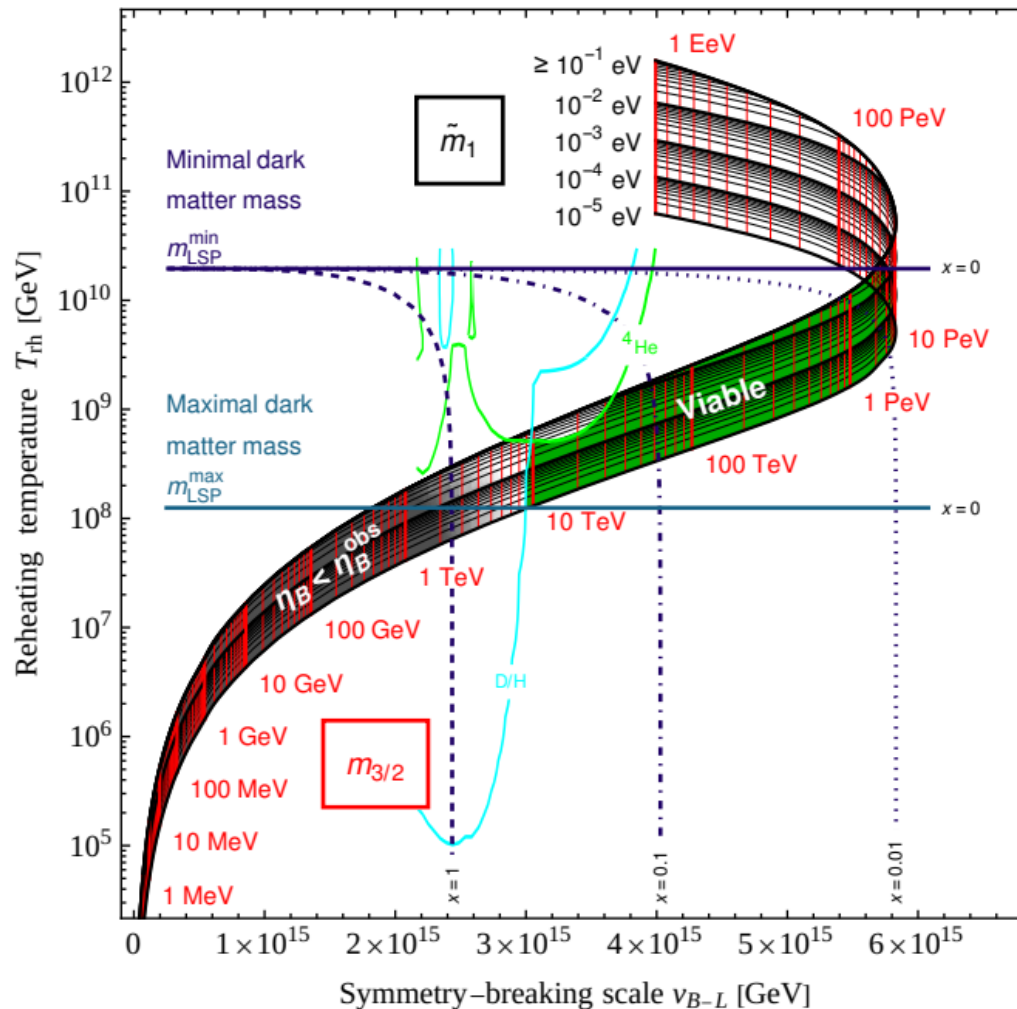


thermal and non-thermal
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parameter space

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parameters:

 $v_{B-L}, T_{rh}, \tilde{m}_1, m_{3/2}, m_{LSP}$

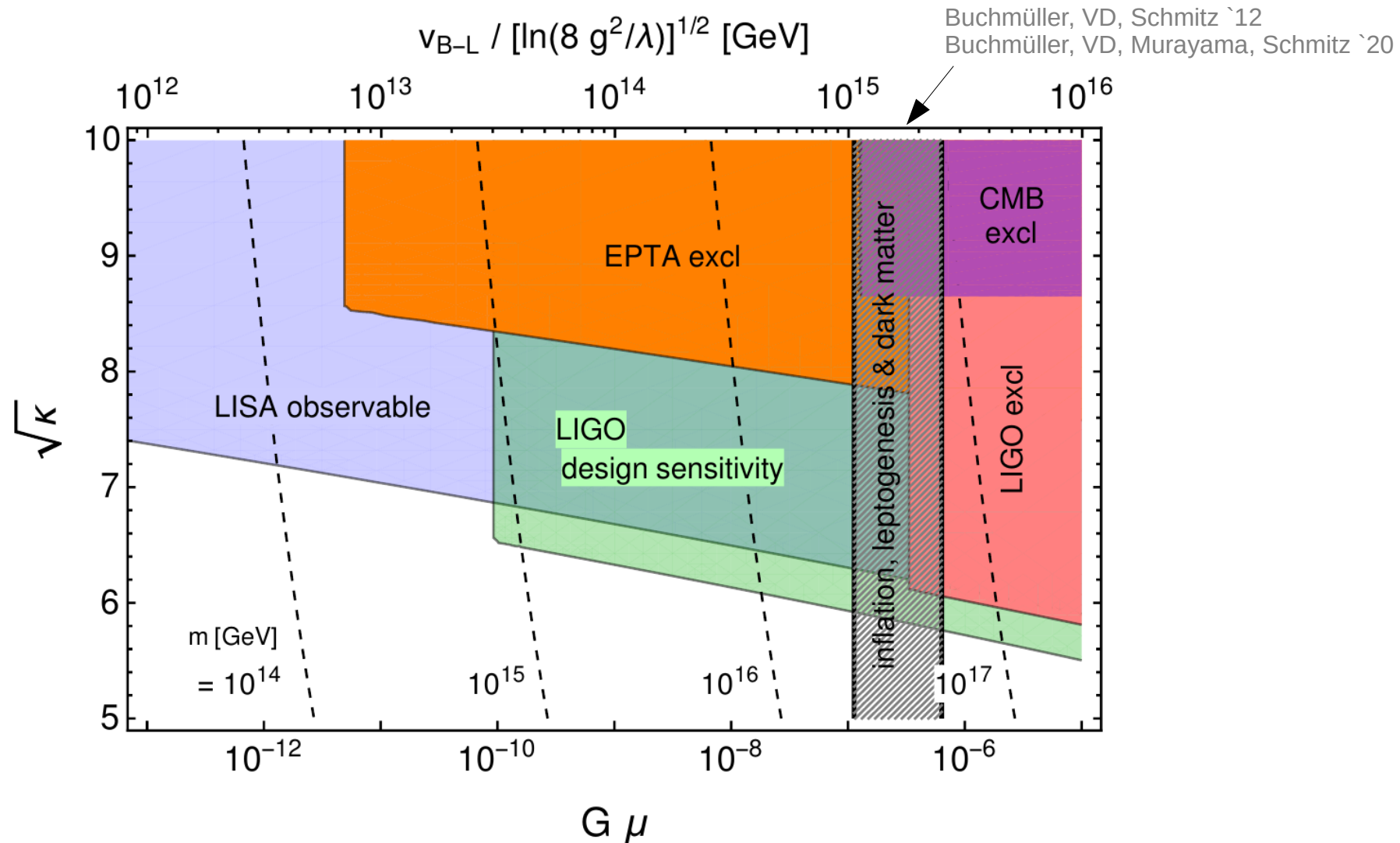
observables:

$$A_s, n_s, \Omega_{DM}, \eta_B$$

viable parameter space well
constrained, in particular
B-L breaking scale $\sim \mathcal{O}(1) \times 10^{15}$ GeV

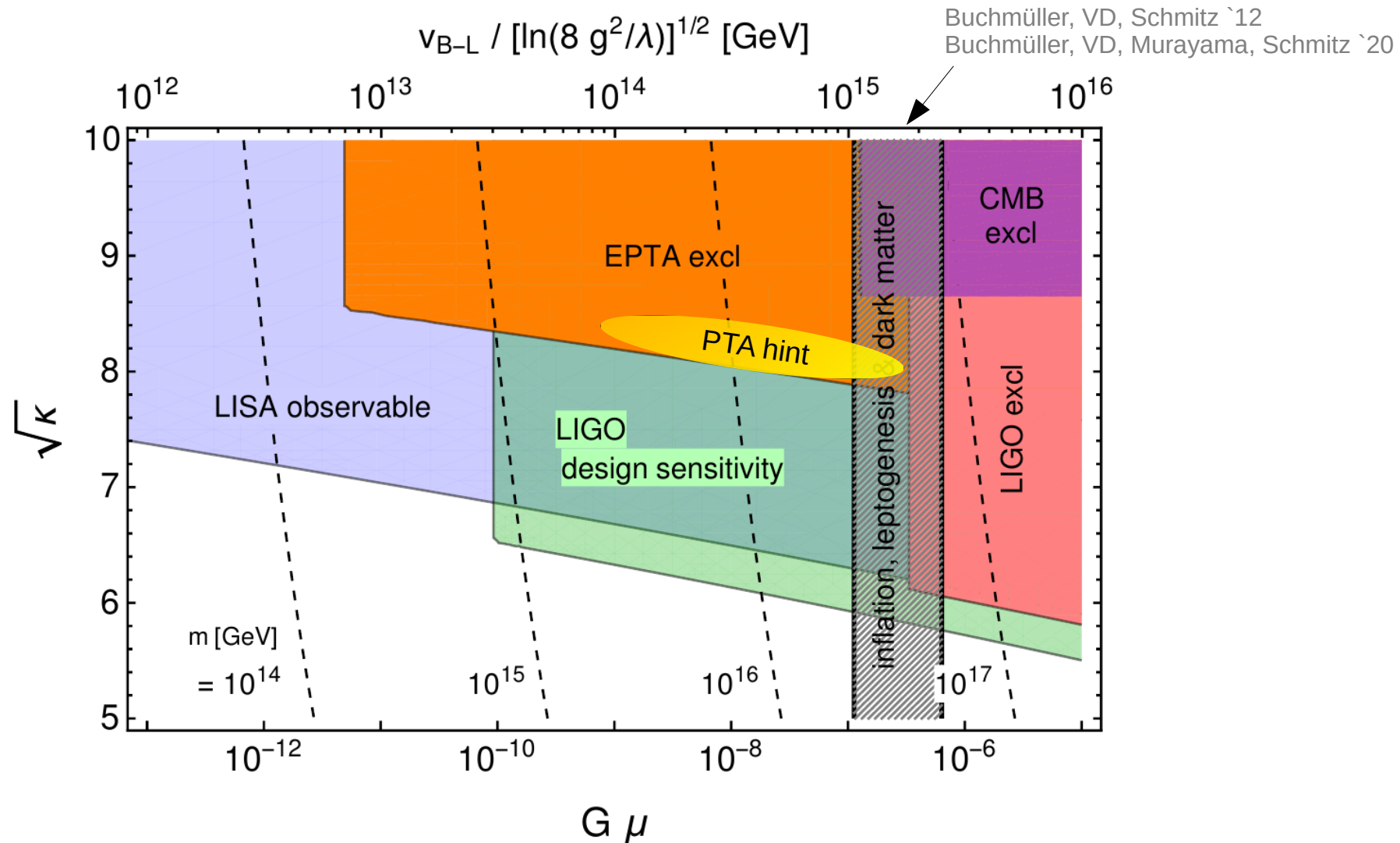
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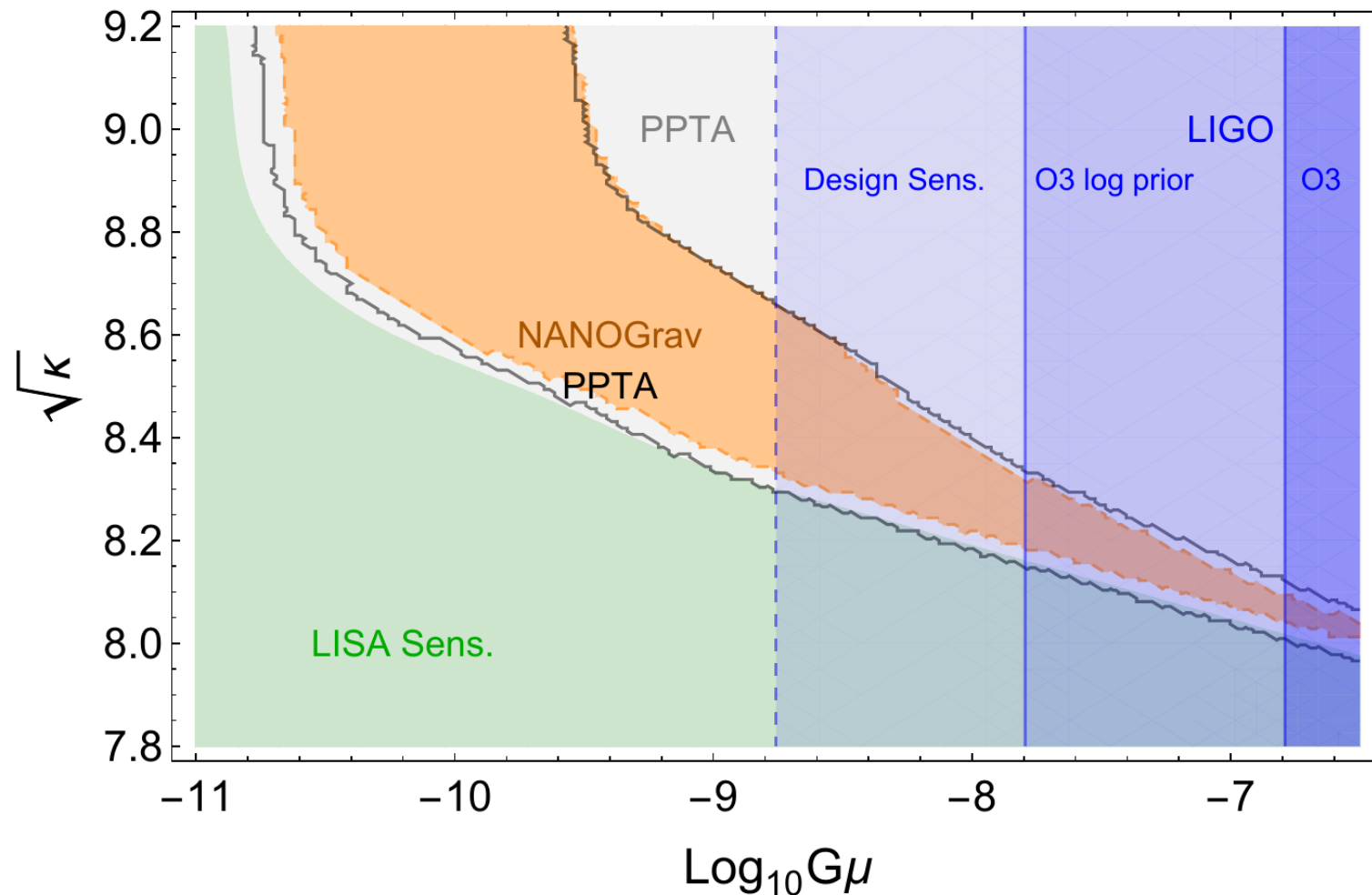
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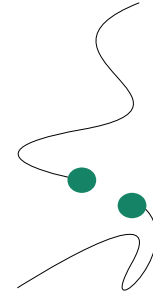
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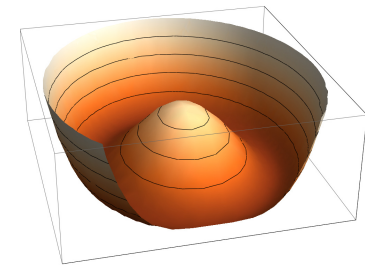
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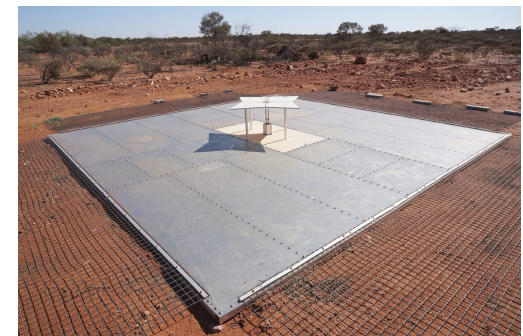
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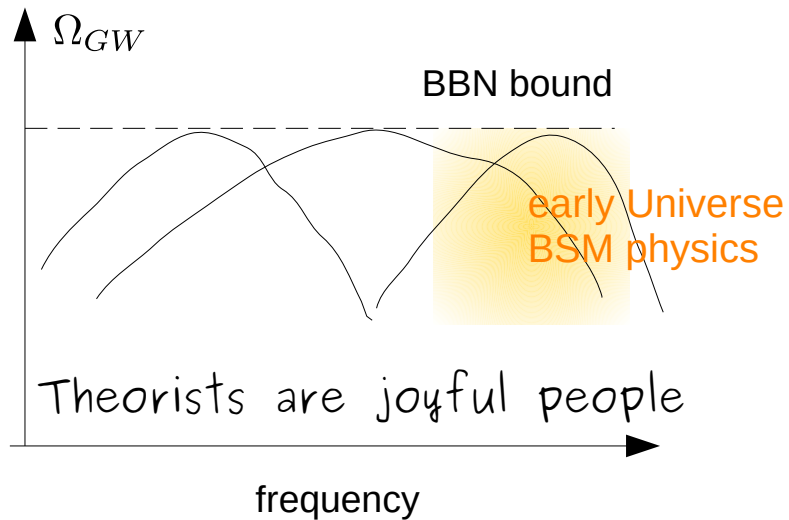


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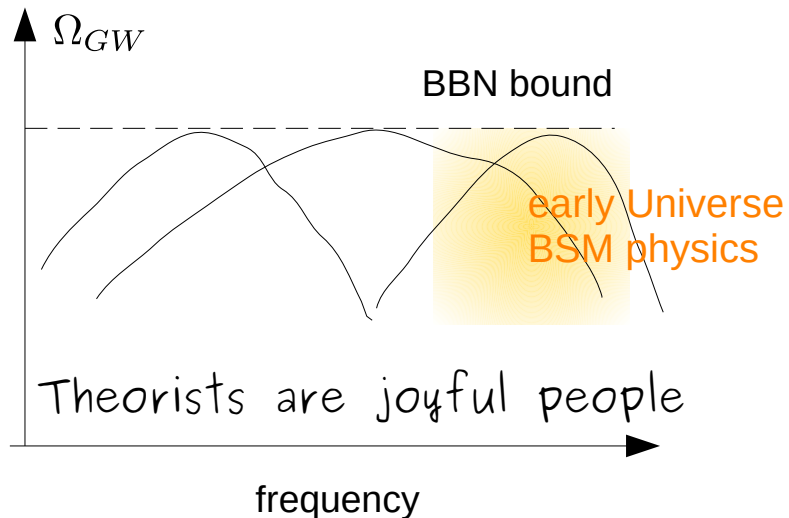
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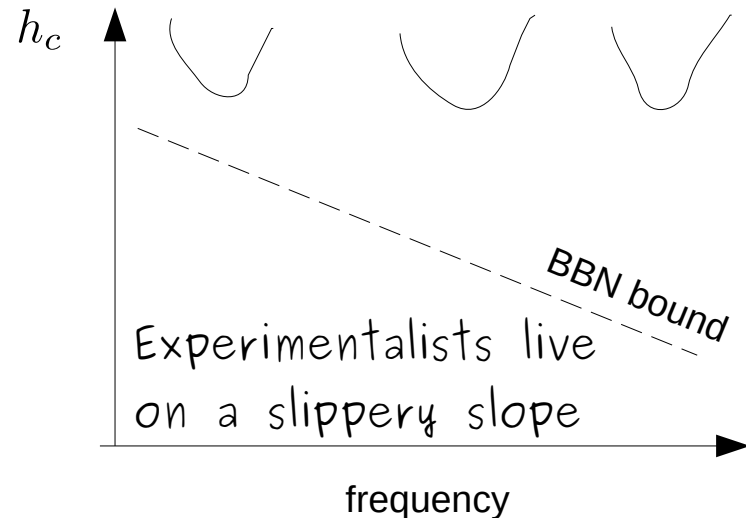


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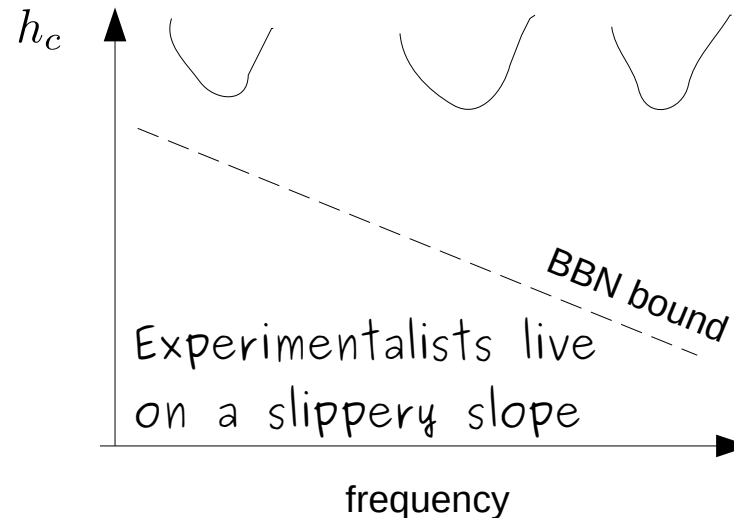
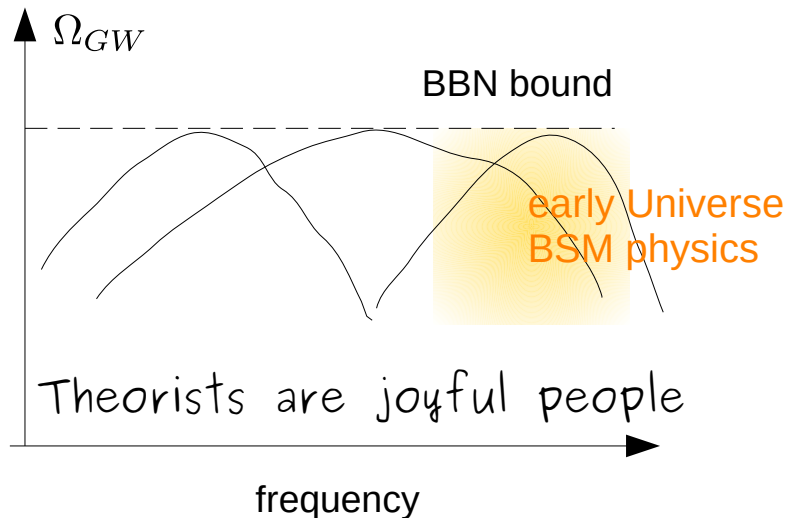
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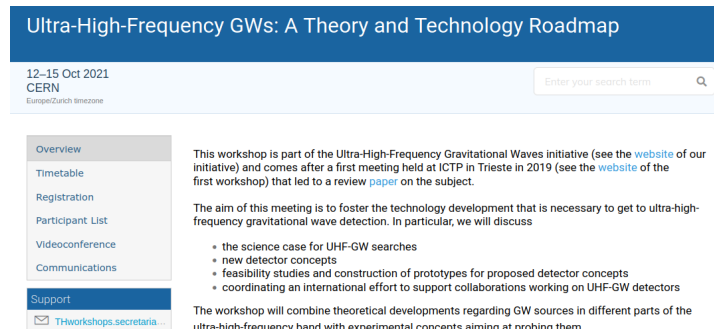
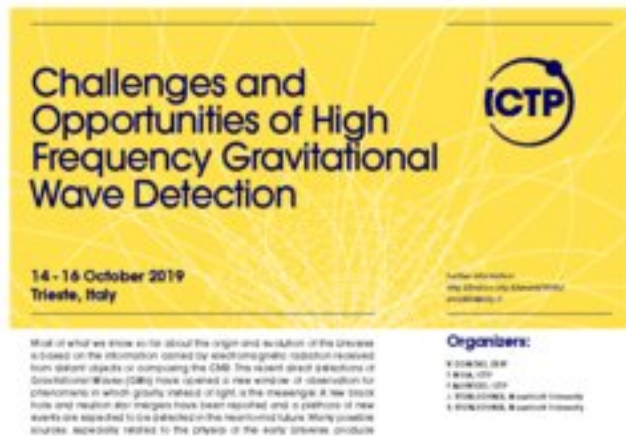
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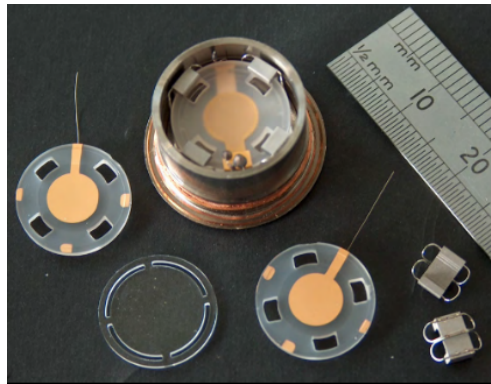
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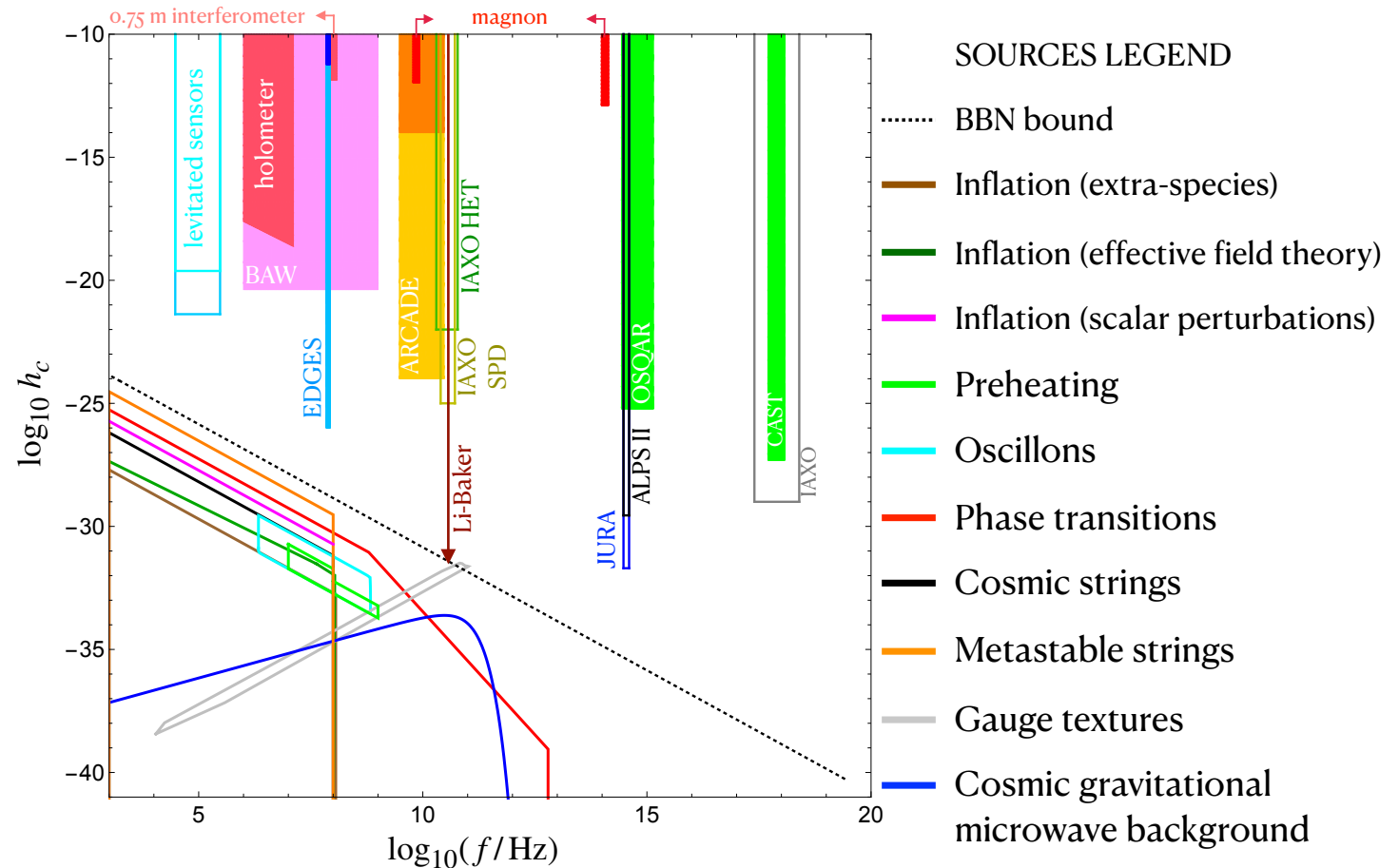
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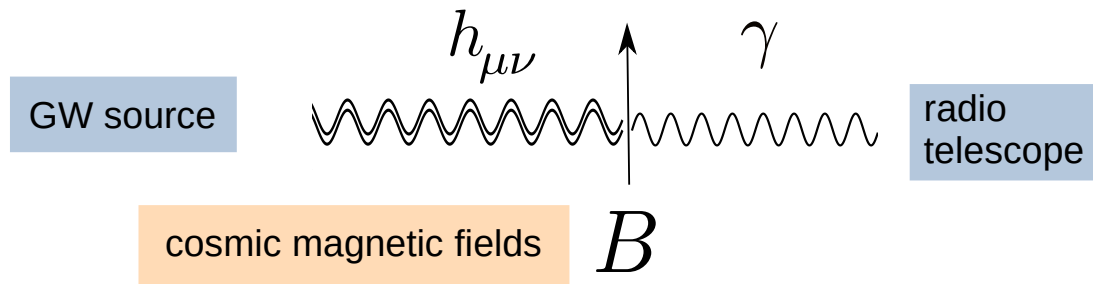
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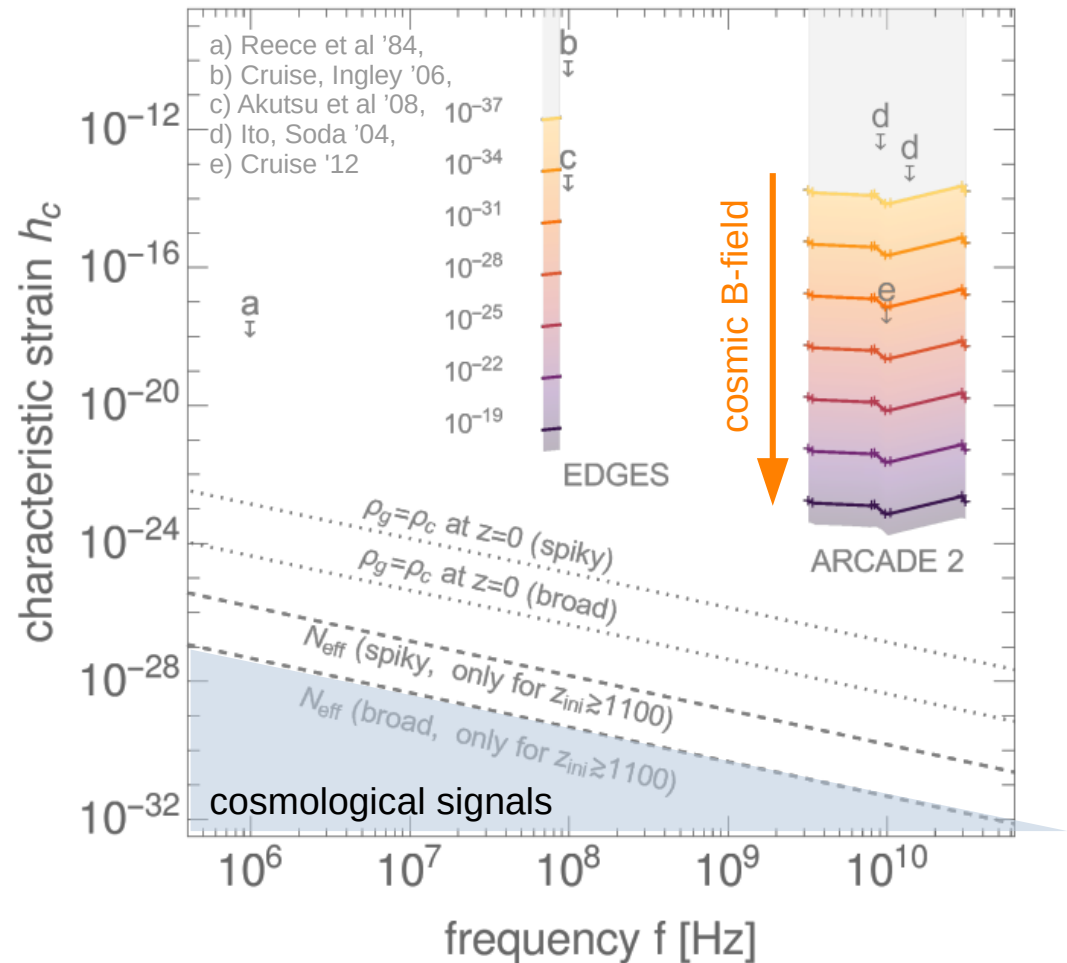
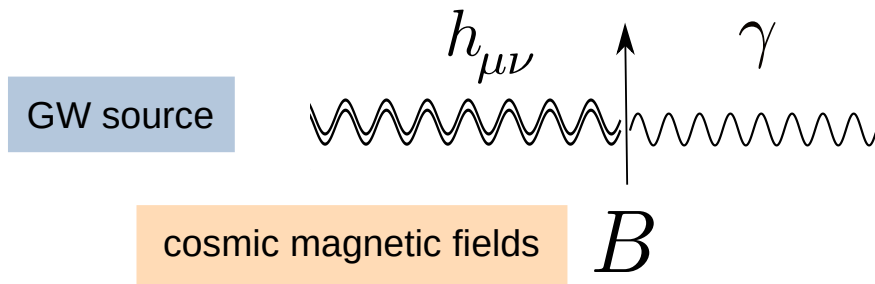


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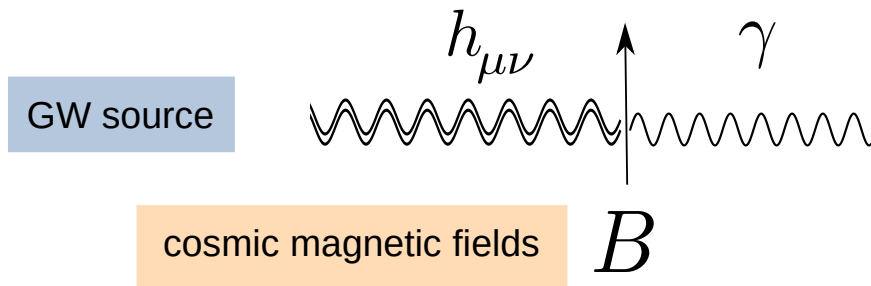


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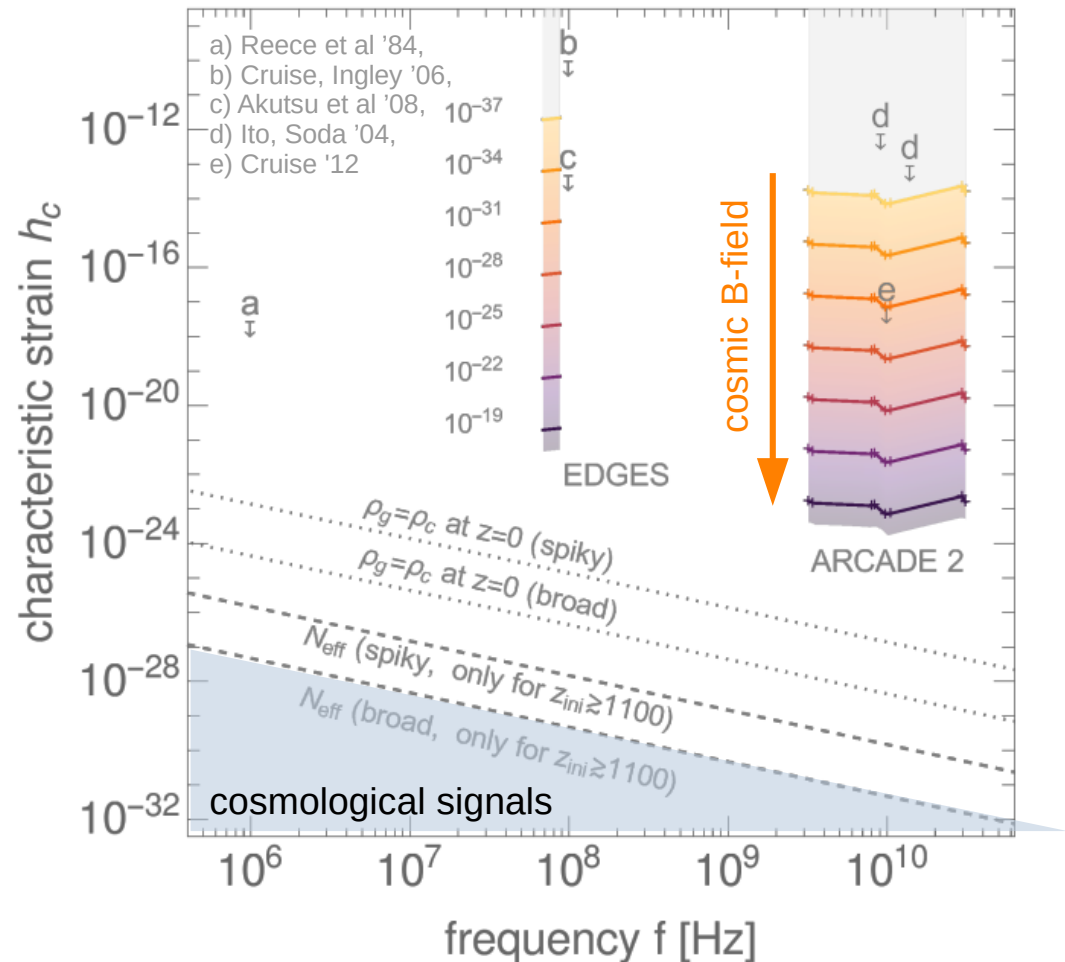
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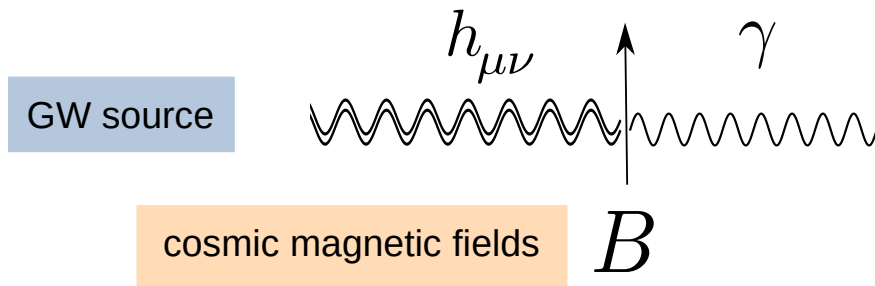


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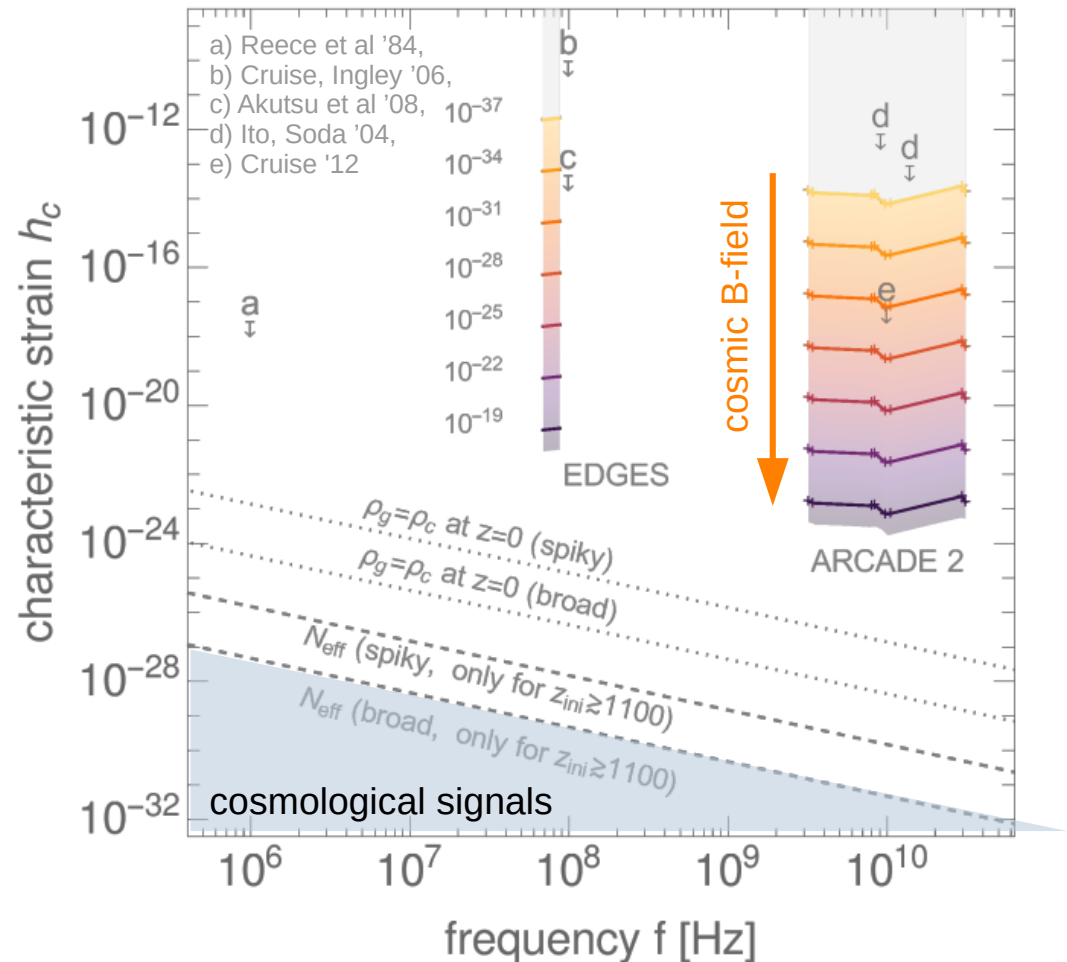
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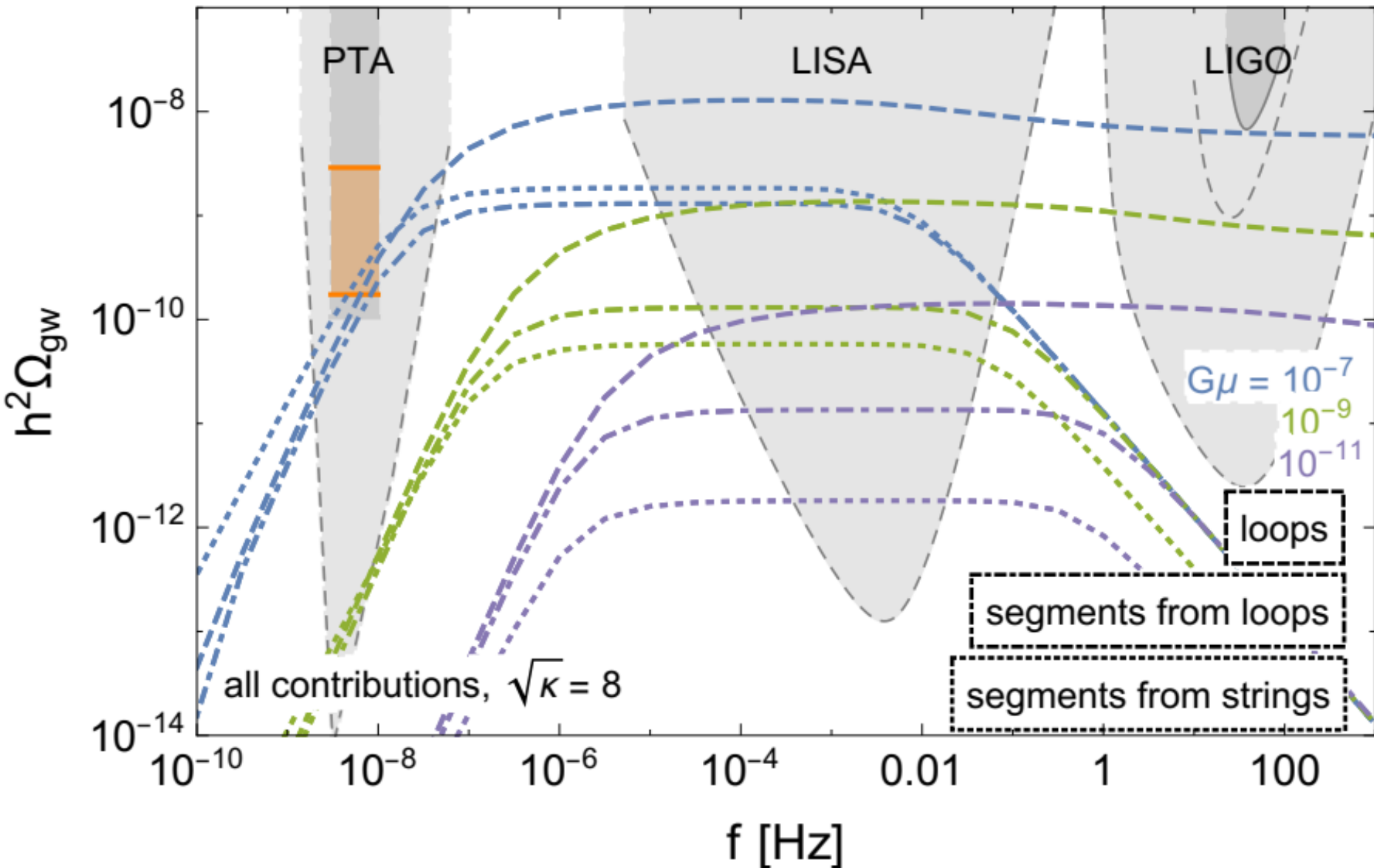
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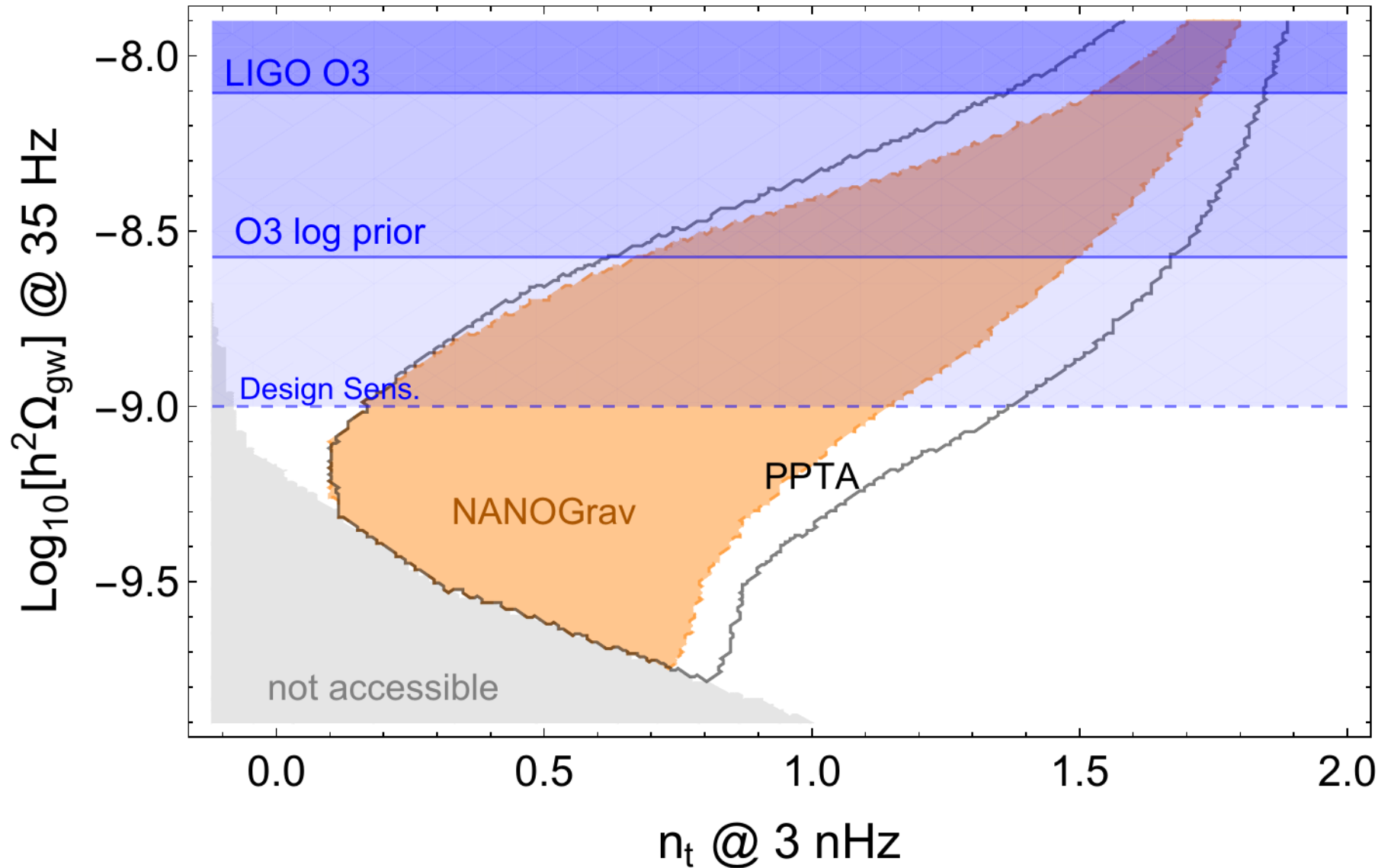
Questions ?

backup slides

GWs from segments



Prospects



BBN bound

radiation energy after electron decoupling:

$$\rho_{rad} = \frac{\pi^2}{30} \left(2 + \frac{7}{4} \left(\frac{4}{11} \right)^{4/3} (3.046 + \Delta N_{eff}) \right) T^4$$

photons
neutrinos
BSM

at BBN or CMB decoupling:

$$\rho_{GW}(T) < \Delta \rho_{rad}(T) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \left(\frac{\rho_{GW}}{\rho_\gamma} \right)_{T_{BBN, CMB}} \leq \frac{7}{8} \left(\frac{4}{11} \right)^{4/3} \Delta N_{eff} \simeq 0.05$$

➔ at BBN, CMB decoupling ~ 5 % GW energy density allowed

today:

$$\frac{\rho_{GW}^0}{\rho_c^0} = \Omega_\gamma^0 \left(\frac{g_s^0}{g_s(T)} \right)^{4/3} \frac{\rho_{GW}(T)}{\rho_\gamma(T)} \leq 10^{-5} \Delta N_{eff} \simeq 10^{-6}$$

note: constraint
on *total* GW energy

➔ today, energy fraction < 10⁻⁶ (for GWs present at BBN / CMB decoupling)