

# Production of ultralight dark photon dark matter

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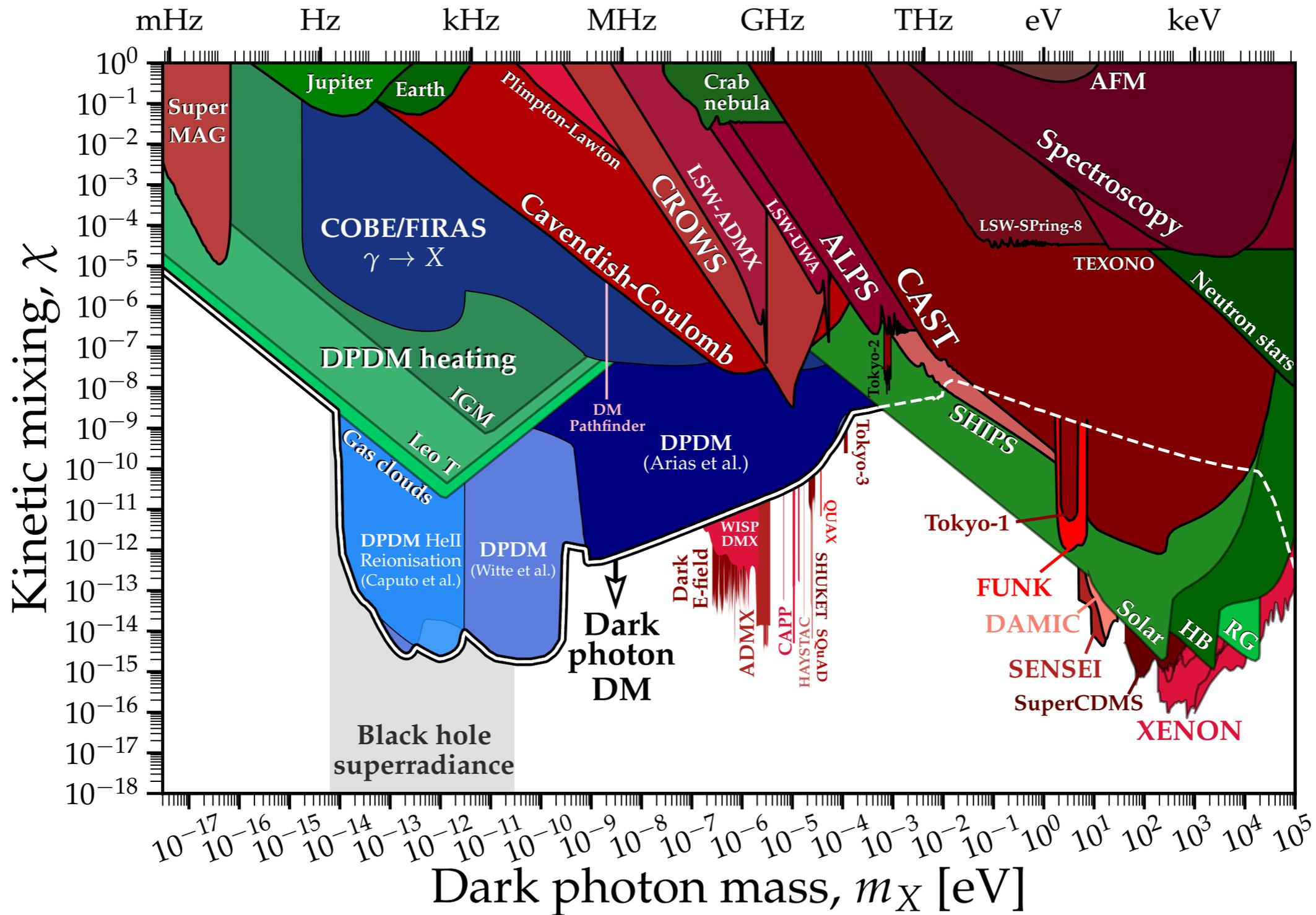


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# Dark photon dark matter : current status



$$\mathcal{L} \ni \frac{1}{2} \chi F^{\mu\nu} X_{\mu\nu}$$

# Dark photon DM production

- Gravitational particle production during inflation / reheating

Graham, Mardon, Rajendran (2016) / Ema, Nakayama, Tang (2019)

$$\Omega_{\gamma'} \simeq \Omega_{\text{DM}} \sqrt{\frac{m_{\gamma'}}{6 \mu\text{eV}}} \left( \frac{H_{\text{inf}}}{10^{14} \text{ GeV}} \right)^2 \rightarrow \text{lower limit on dark photon mass}$$

- Resonant production from scalar field

Axion : Agrawal, NK, Reece, Sekiguchi, Takahashi (2020), NK, Takahashi (2023)

Co, Pierce, Zhang, Zhao (2019), Bastro-Gil, Santiago, Ubaldi, Vega-Morales (2019)

Higgs : Harigaya, Narayan (2019)

- Misalignment production Nakayama (2019), Nakayama (2020), NK, Nakayama (2023)

- Production from cosmic strings Long, Wang (2019), NK, Nakayama (2022)

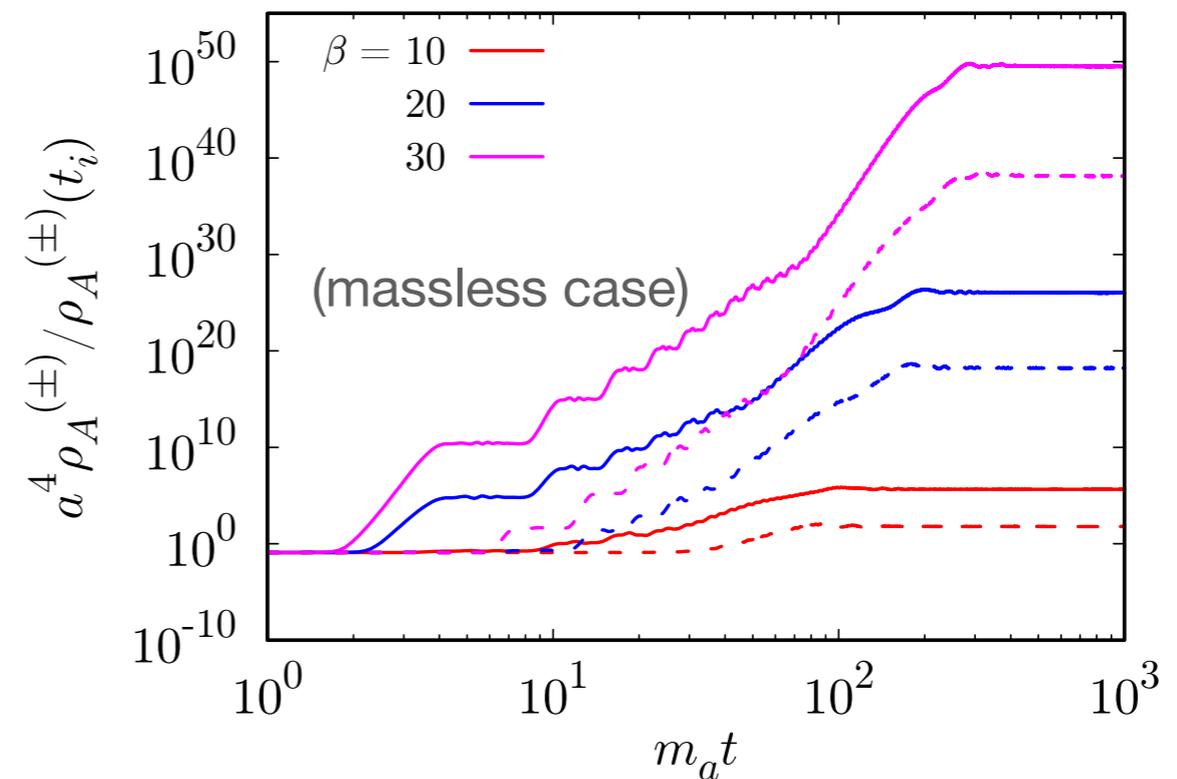
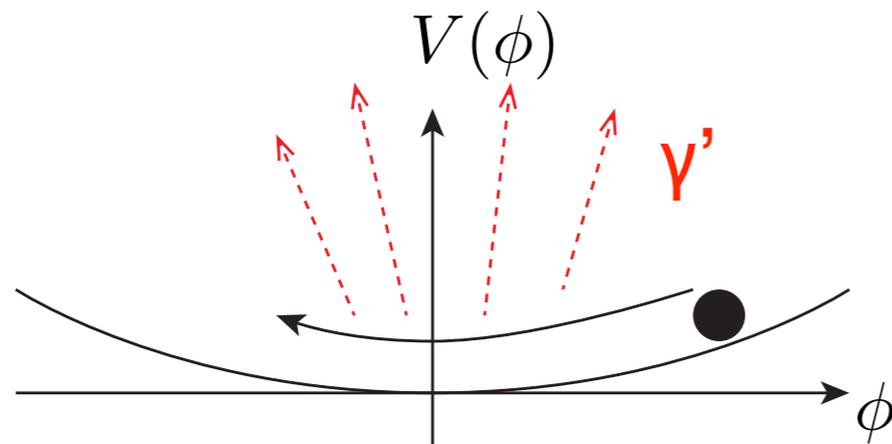
# Resonant dark photon (DM) production from axion

Agrawal, NK, Reece, Sekiguchi, Takahashi (2018)

Co, Pierce, Zhang, Zhao (2018), Bastero-Gil, Santiago, Ubaldi, Vega-Morales, (2018)

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \partial^\mu \phi \partial_\mu \phi - V(\phi) - \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} m_{\gamma'}^2 A_\mu A^\mu - \frac{\beta}{4f_a} \phi F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\longrightarrow \ddot{\mathbf{A}}_{\mathbf{k},\pm} + H \dot{\mathbf{A}}_{\mathbf{k},\pm} + \left( m_{\gamma'}^2 + \frac{k^2}{a^2} \mp \frac{k}{a} \frac{\beta \dot{\phi}}{f_a} \right) \mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{k},\pm} = 0$$



- magnetogenesis Fujita+(2015), Kamada+(2016), Patel+(2020), ...

- GW emission with circular polarization NK, Soda, Urakawa (2020), ...

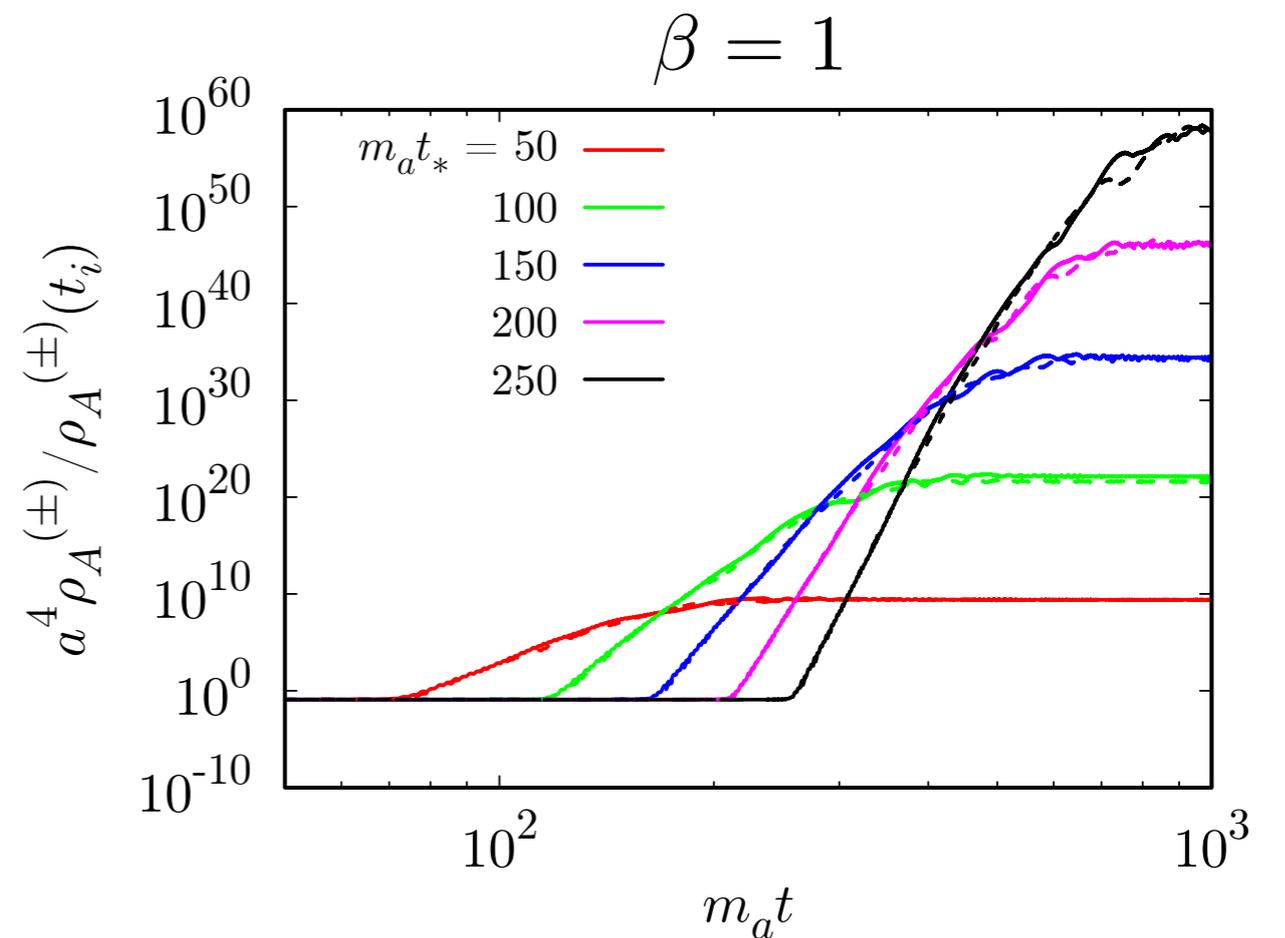
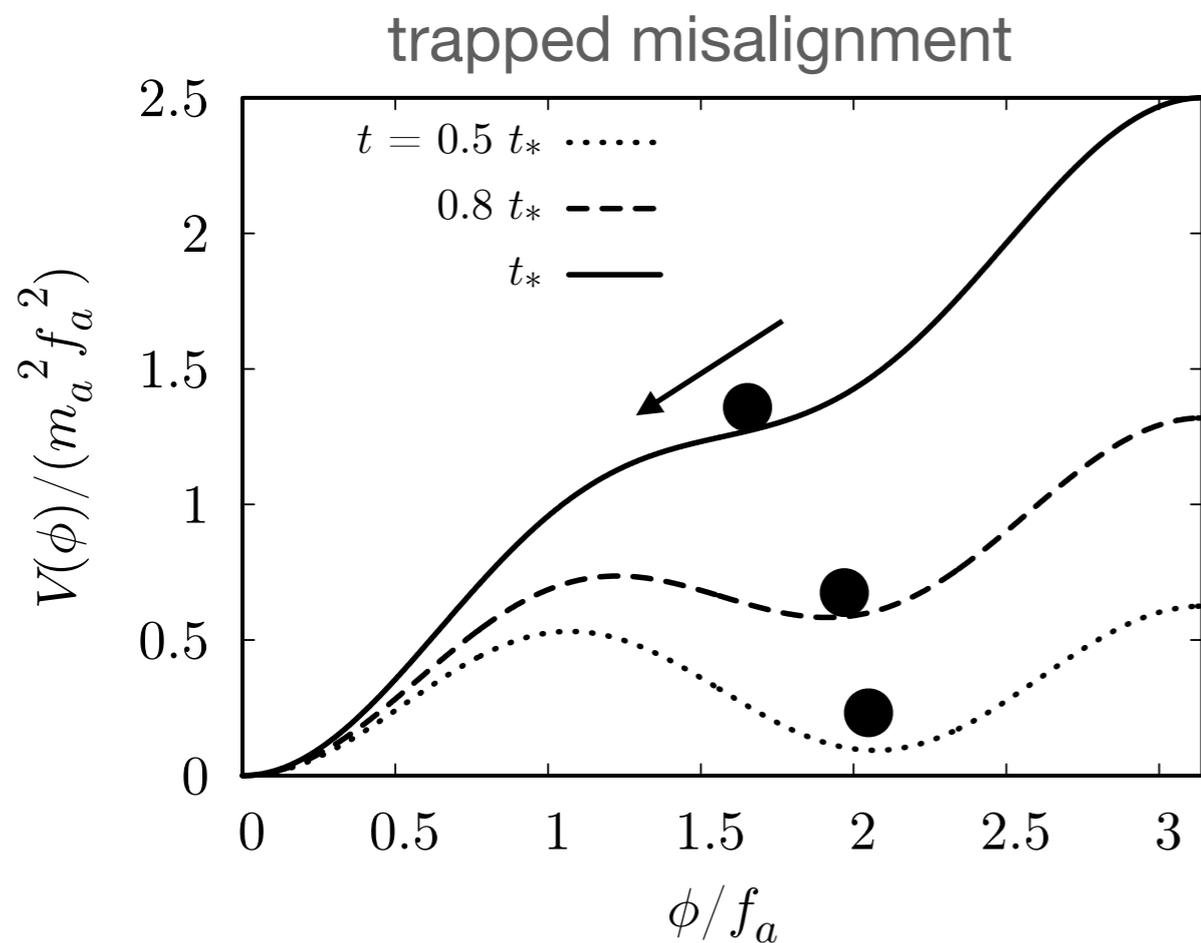
see also Machado+ (2019), Salehian+ (2020), Ratzinger+ (2020), Namba+ (2020)

# Resonant dark photon production w/o large coupling

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$$V(\phi) = m_a(t)^2 f_a^2 \left[ 1 - \cos\left(\frac{\phi}{f_a}\right) \right] + \Lambda_H^4 \left[ 1 - \cos\left(\frac{N_H \phi}{f_a}\right) \right]$$

$$m_a(t) = \begin{cases} m_{a0} (t/t_*)^{b/2} & \text{for } t < t_* \\ m_{a0} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



# Coherent vector DM production

Nakayama (2019), Nakayama (2020), NK, Nakayama (2023)

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{f^2(\phi)}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} m_A^2 A_\mu A^\mu - \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi - V(\phi)$$

( $f \rightarrow 1$  after inflation)   $f^2 \propto a^\alpha$ ,  $\bar{A}_i = f A_i / a$ ,  $R_A = \frac{\rho_A}{\rho_\phi}$

$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} + \partial_\phi V \left( 1 + \frac{\alpha R_A}{2\epsilon_V} \right) = 0 \quad \epsilon_V = \frac{M_P^2}{2} \left( \frac{\partial_\phi V}{V} \right)^2$$

(slow-roll parameter)

$$\ddot{\bar{A}}_i + 3H\dot{\bar{A}}_i + \left( \frac{m_A^2}{f^2} - \frac{(\alpha + 4)(\alpha - 2)}{4} H^2 + \frac{2 - \alpha}{2} \dot{H} \right) \bar{A}_i = 0$$

Statistical anisotropy  $\mathcal{P}_\zeta(\mathbf{k}) = \mathcal{P}_\zeta^{(\text{iso})}(k)(1 + g_k \sin^2 \theta_k)$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{k}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{A}} = \cos \theta_k$   
 $\& \quad g_k \propto R_A$

DM isocurvature perturbation  $S = \frac{\delta \rho_A}{\bar{\rho}_A} \sim \frac{H_{\text{inf}}}{\pi \bar{A}_i} \propto R_A^{-1}$

CMB observation  $\rightarrow g_k \lesssim 0.01$ ,  $S \lesssim 0.1\zeta$

# “Viable” coherent vector DM scenario

## — curvaton scenario

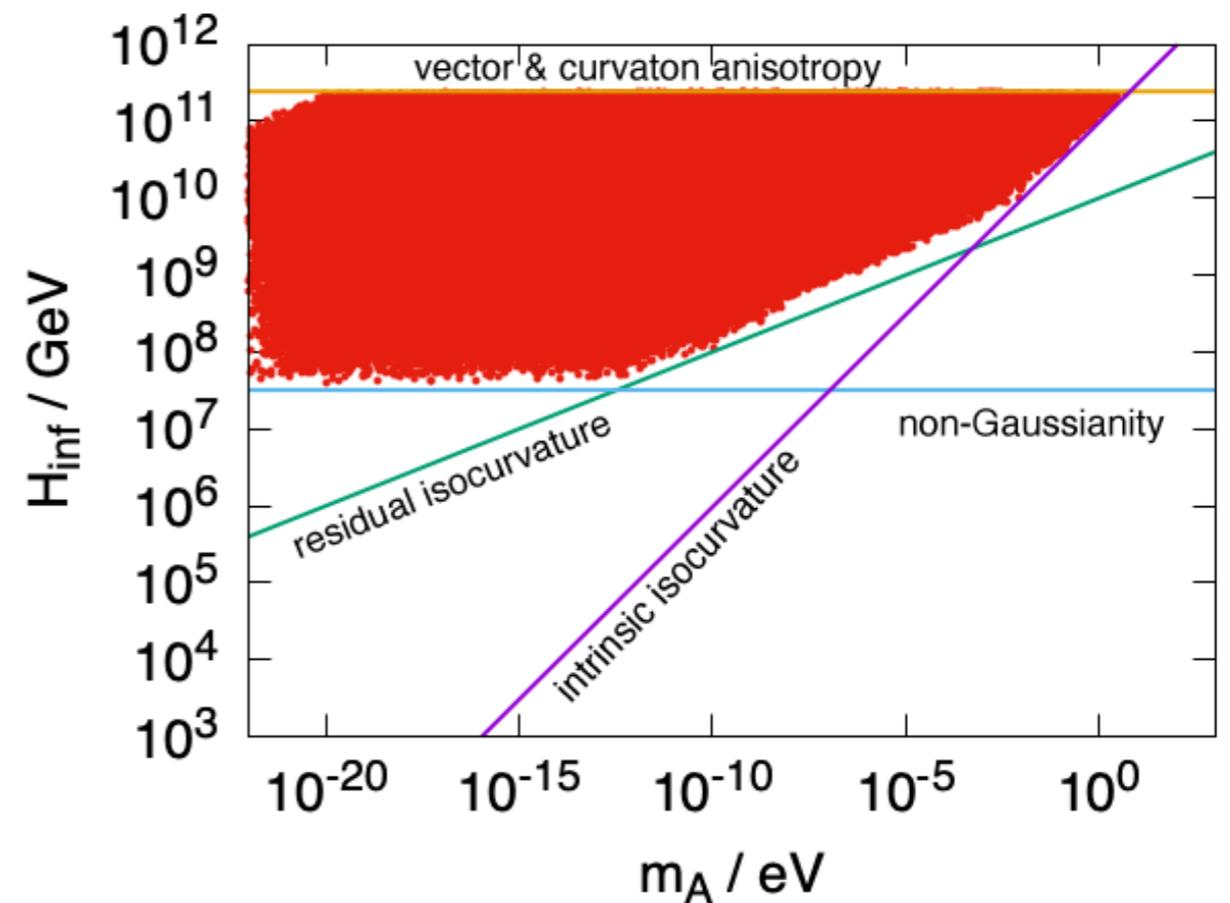
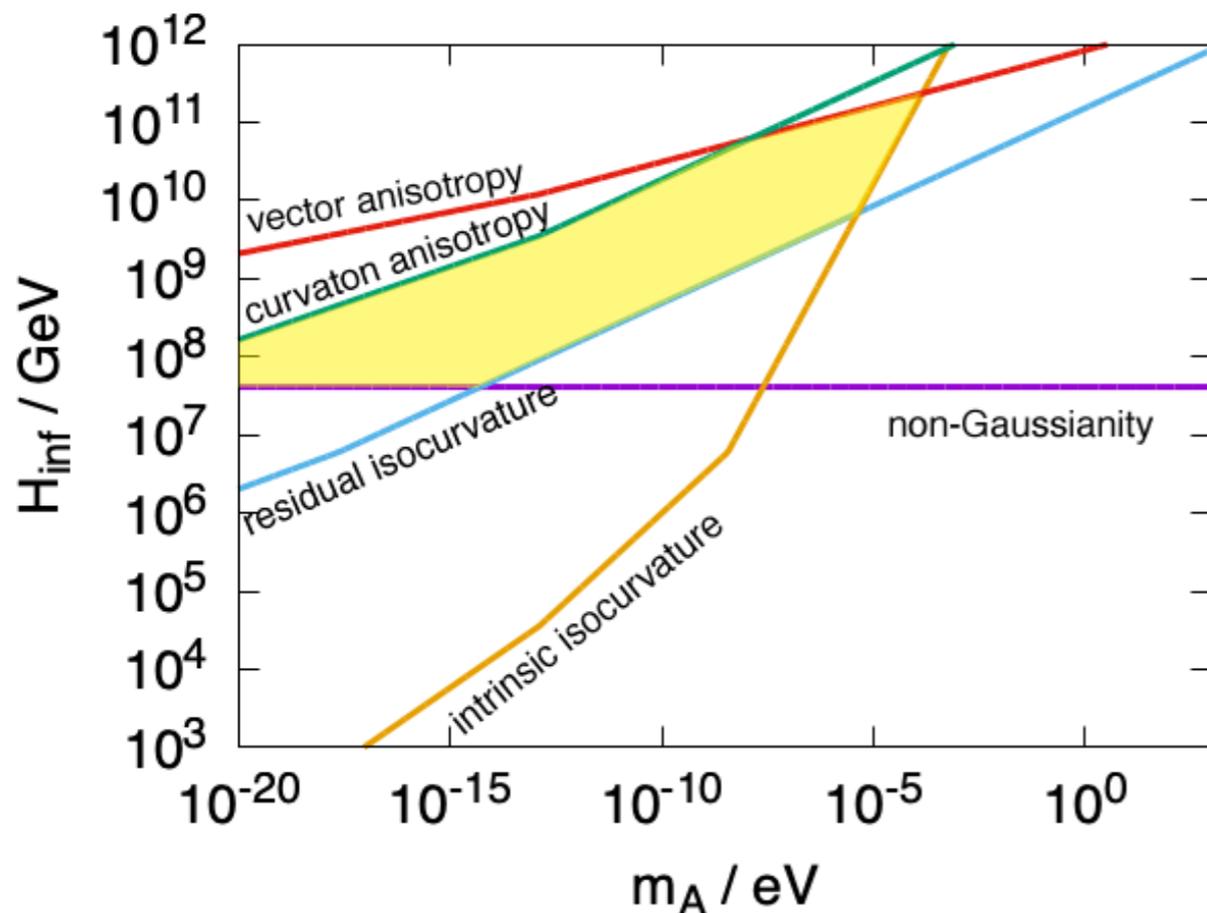
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additional constraints: non-Gaussianity & residual isocurvature

curvaton domination before curvaton decay & dark photon oscillation

$$\Gamma_\chi \lesssim H_{\text{dom}}$$

$$m_A \lesssim H_{\text{dom}}$$



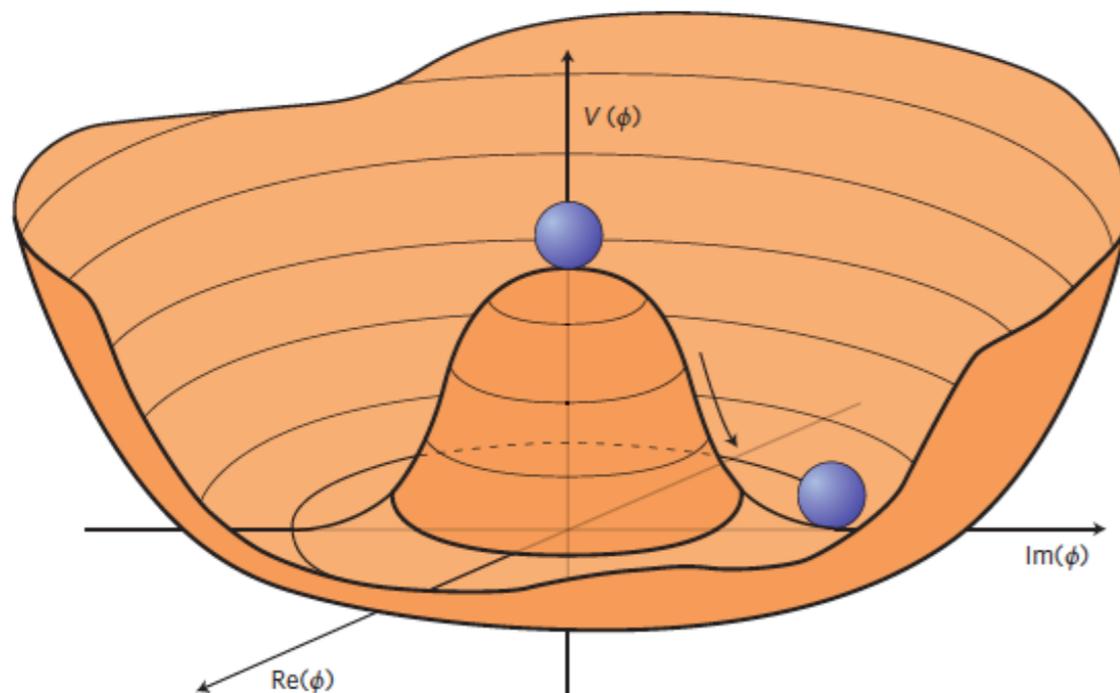
$$m_\chi = 10^6 \text{ GeV}, T_\chi = 10 \text{ MeV}, \Gamma_\phi = m_\phi$$

# Dark photon DM from Abelian-Higgs cosmic strings

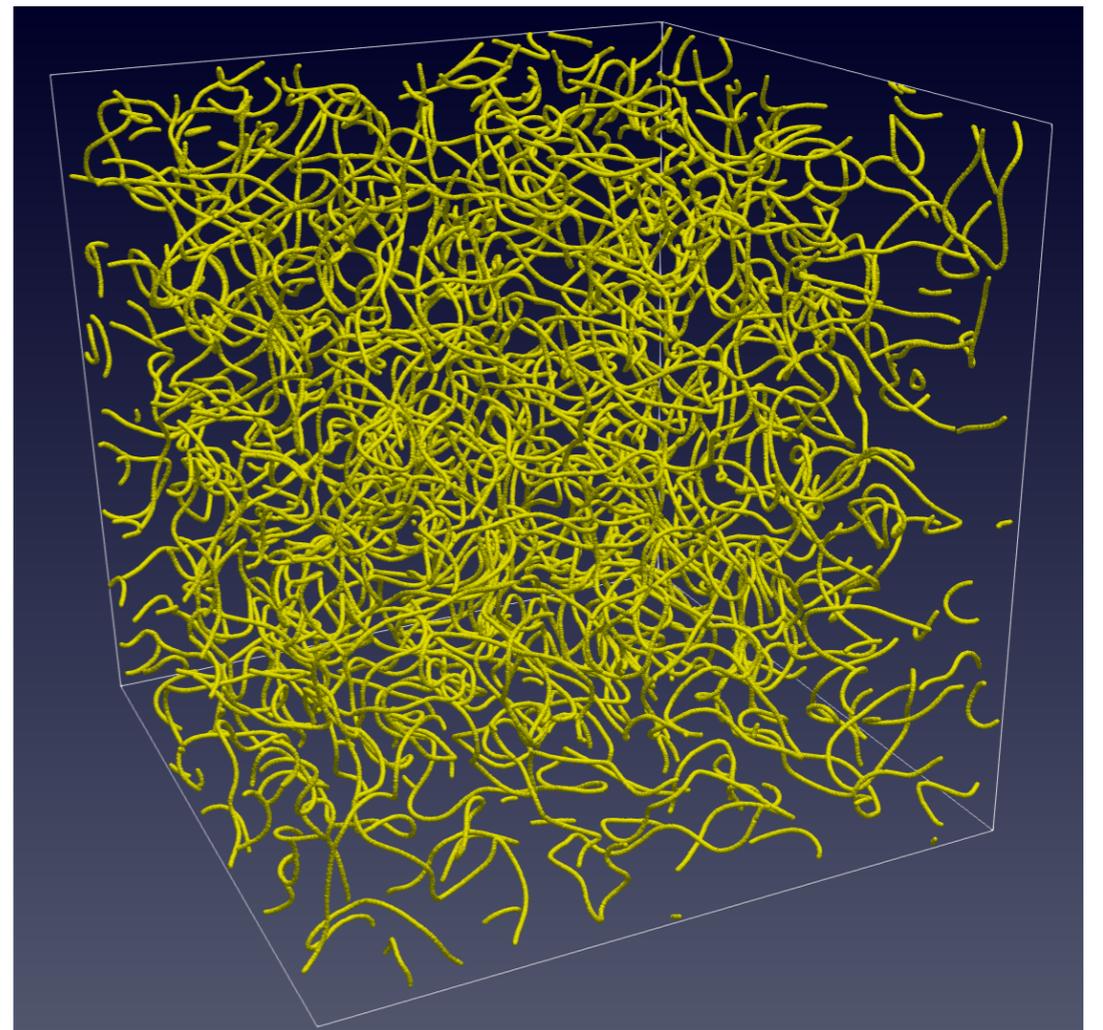
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$$\mathcal{L} = (\mathcal{D}_\mu \Phi)^* \mathcal{D}^\mu \Phi - \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} - V(\Phi), \quad V(\Phi) = \frac{\lambda}{4} (|\Phi|^2 - v^2)^2$$
$$(\mathcal{D}_\mu = \partial_\mu - ieA_\mu, \quad F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu)$$

spontaneous U(1) symmetry breaking  
—> formation of cosmic strings



Ellis, Gaillard, Nanopoulos 1504.07217



# Scenario

Long, Wang 1901.03312  
NK, Nakayama 2212.13573

- “Light” vector bosons can be produced by cosmic strings

small gauge coupling i.e.  $m_A \ll m_\Phi$  ( $e \ll \sqrt{\lambda}$ ) (Type II string)

$e = 0$  limit corresponds to the massless NG boson emission (global string case)

- Vector boson production becomes inefficient for  $\ell_{\text{loop}} \gtrsim m_A^{-1}$

i.e. loop oscillation frequency becomes smaller than the mass  $\rightarrow H \lesssim m_A$

Vector boson (dark photon) abundance is fixed

- After that, string evolves like “local” string (Type I string)

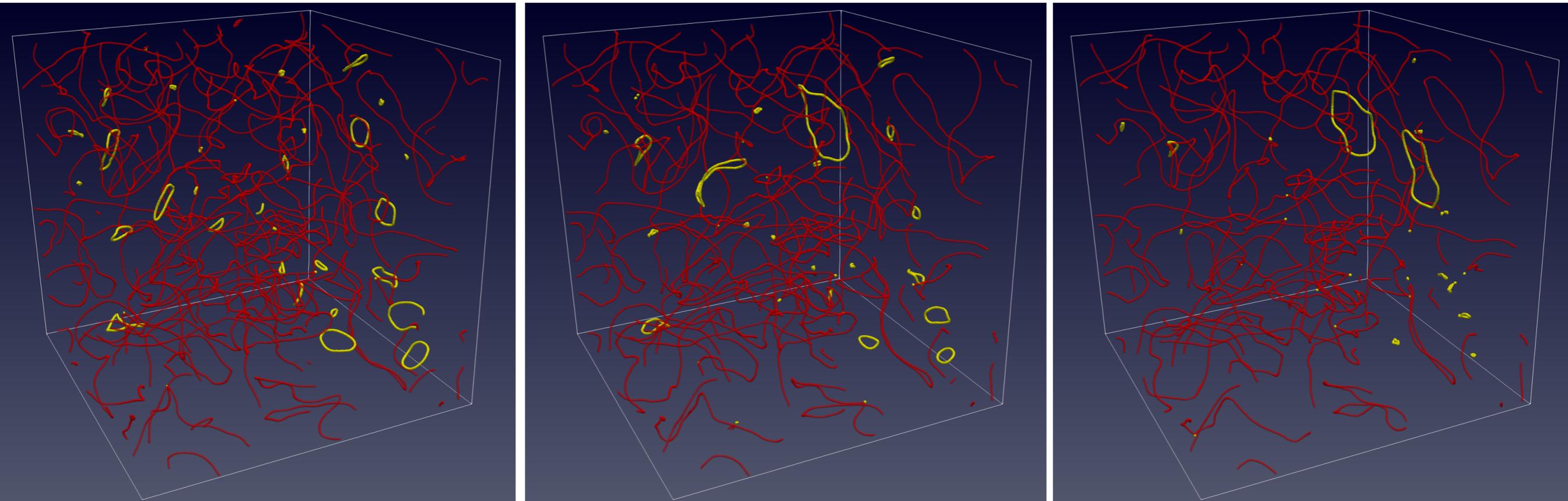
network loses energy only through the GW emission (Nambu-Goto limit)

Global string  $\rightarrow$  Local string

$$H \sim m_A$$

# String network evolution

$$\lambda = 2, e = 0.01$$

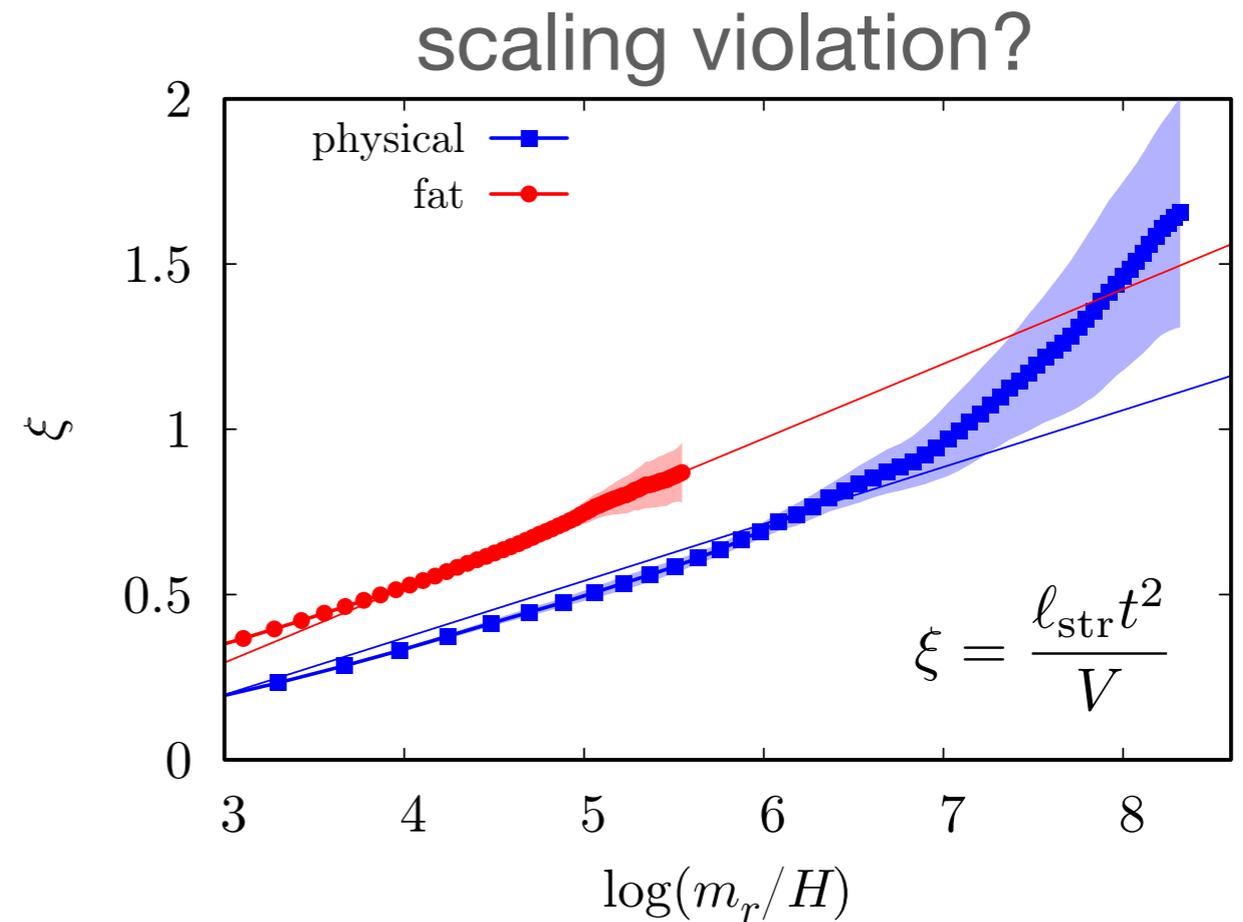
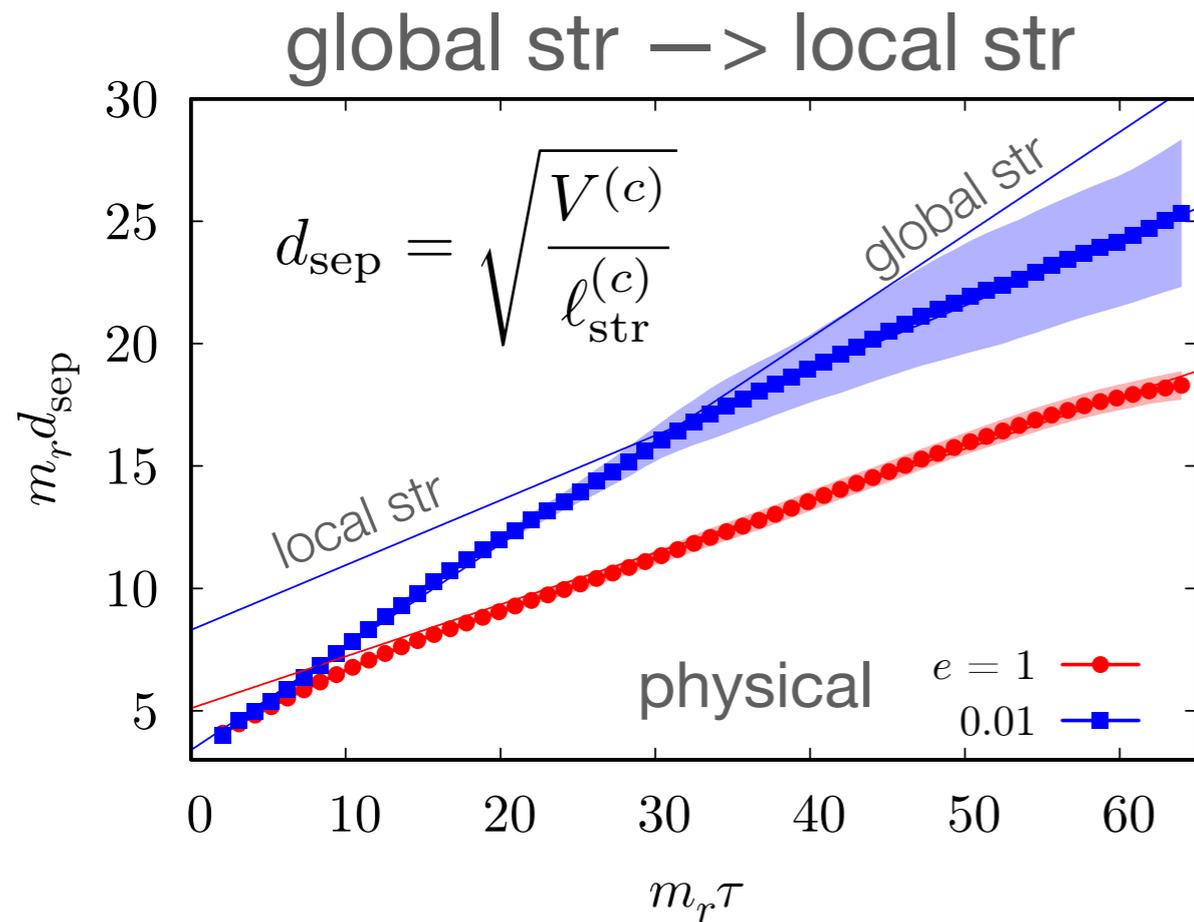


Lattice simulation with  $1024^3 - 4096^3$  grids

by AOBA supercomputing system  
(SX-Aurora TUBASA) in Tohoku U.



# Mean separation NK, Nakayama 2212.13573(v2)



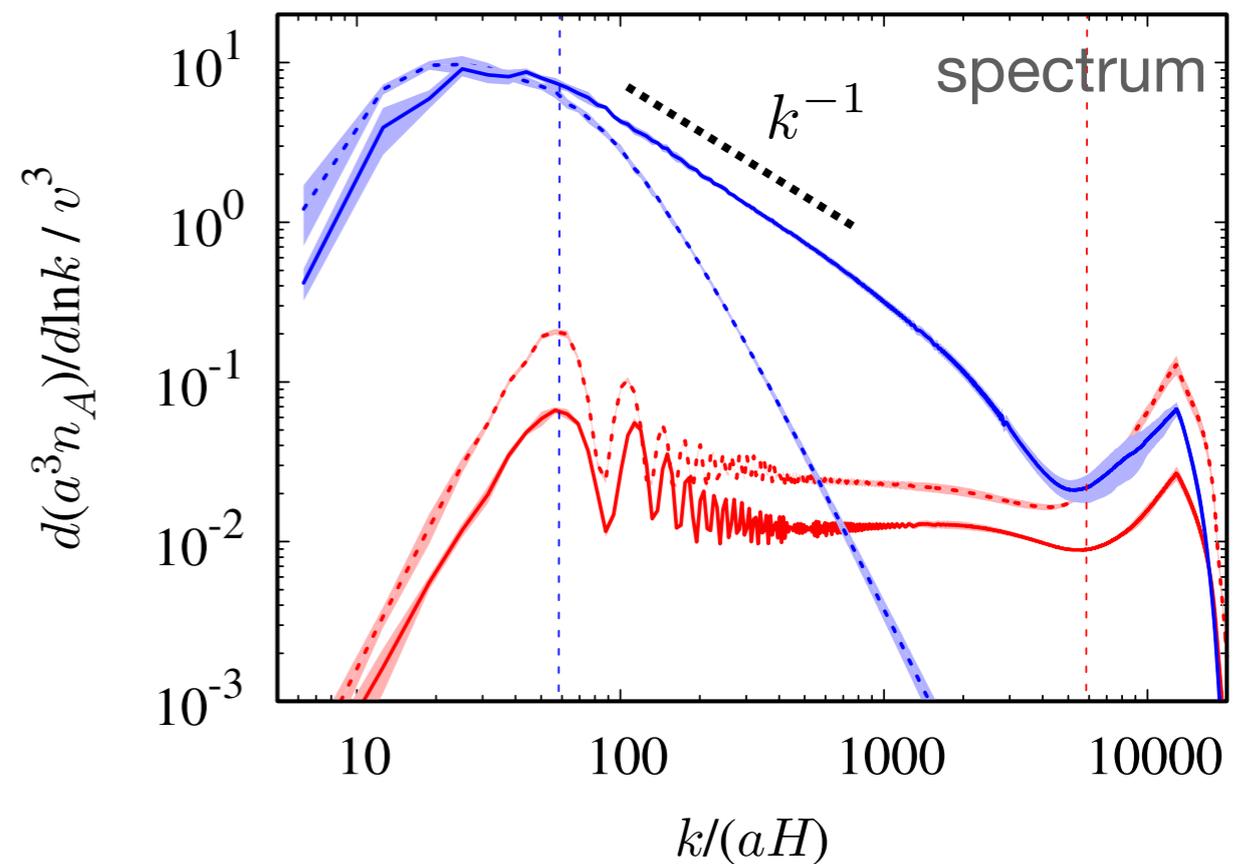
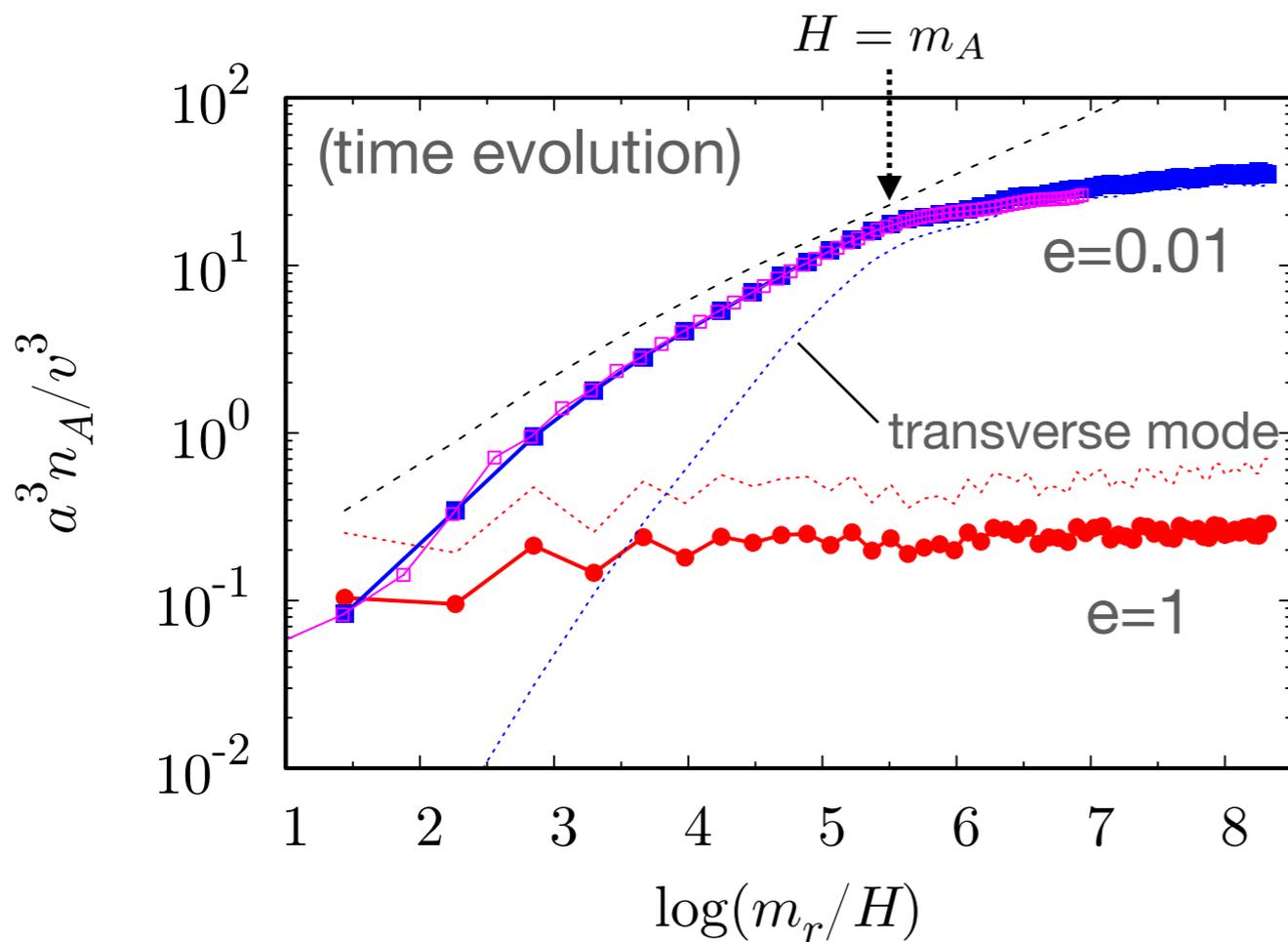
Gorghetto et al, 1806.04677, Kawasaki et al, 1806.05566  
 Buschmann et al, 2108.05368, Saikawa et al, 2401.17253

	grid	$m_r L$	$m_r \Delta x$	$e$	$m_r \tau$	$a$	$b$
physical string	$4096^3$	64	1/64	1	33.6 - 64.0	$0.21 \pm 0.0043$	$5.1 \pm 0.21$
physical string	$4096^3$	64	1/64	0.01	2.05 - 32.5	$0.42 \pm 0.0038$	$3.4 \pm 0.073$
physical string	$4096^3$	64	1/64	0.01	33.6 - 64.0	$0.27 \pm 0.019$	$8.4 \pm 0.96$
fat string	$1024^3$	512	1/2	1	133 - 256	$0.24 \pm 0.0013$	$11 \pm 0.25$
fat string	$1024^3$	512	1/2	0.01	133 - 256	$0.47 \pm 0.0081$	$18 \pm 1.6$

# Emission of (longitudinal) vector boson

$$\rho_A^{(L)} = \frac{|\Phi|^2}{v^2} \left[ \frac{2}{a^2} \left( \frac{\text{Im}(\Phi^* \Phi')}{|\Phi|} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{a^4} \left( E_i^{(L)} \right)^2 \right].$$

$$n_A = \int dk \frac{dn_A}{dk} = \int dk \frac{1}{E_A(k)} \frac{d\rho_A}{dk}, \quad n_A^{(L)}(t) \simeq \frac{8\xi\mu H}{\bar{E}_A/H} \quad \text{analytic estimation by Long, Wang 1901.03312}$$



peak wavenumber:  $k/a \sim 10H$   $\longleftrightarrow$  typical loop size:  $\ell \sim 0.1H^{-1}$

# Relic abundance

$$\Omega_A h^2 = \frac{m_A (n_{A,0}/s_0) h^2}{\rho_{\text{cr},0}/s_0} \simeq 0.091 \left( \frac{\xi}{12} \right) \left( \frac{m_A}{10^{-13} \text{ eV}} \right)^{1/2} \left( \frac{v}{10^{14} \text{ GeV}} \right)^2$$

$\xi = \text{const}$  (scaling law)

Hindmarsh et al, 1908.03522

Hindmarsh et al, 2102.07723

$$\xi = 0.15 \log \left( \frac{m_r}{m_A} \right) \simeq 12 + 0.15 \log \left[ \left( \frac{m_r}{10^{14} \text{ GeV}} \right) \left( \frac{10^{-13} \text{ eV}}{m_A} \right) \right]$$

(scaling violation)

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# GW emission from cosmic strings



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Energy loss of loops = GW emission + vector boson emission

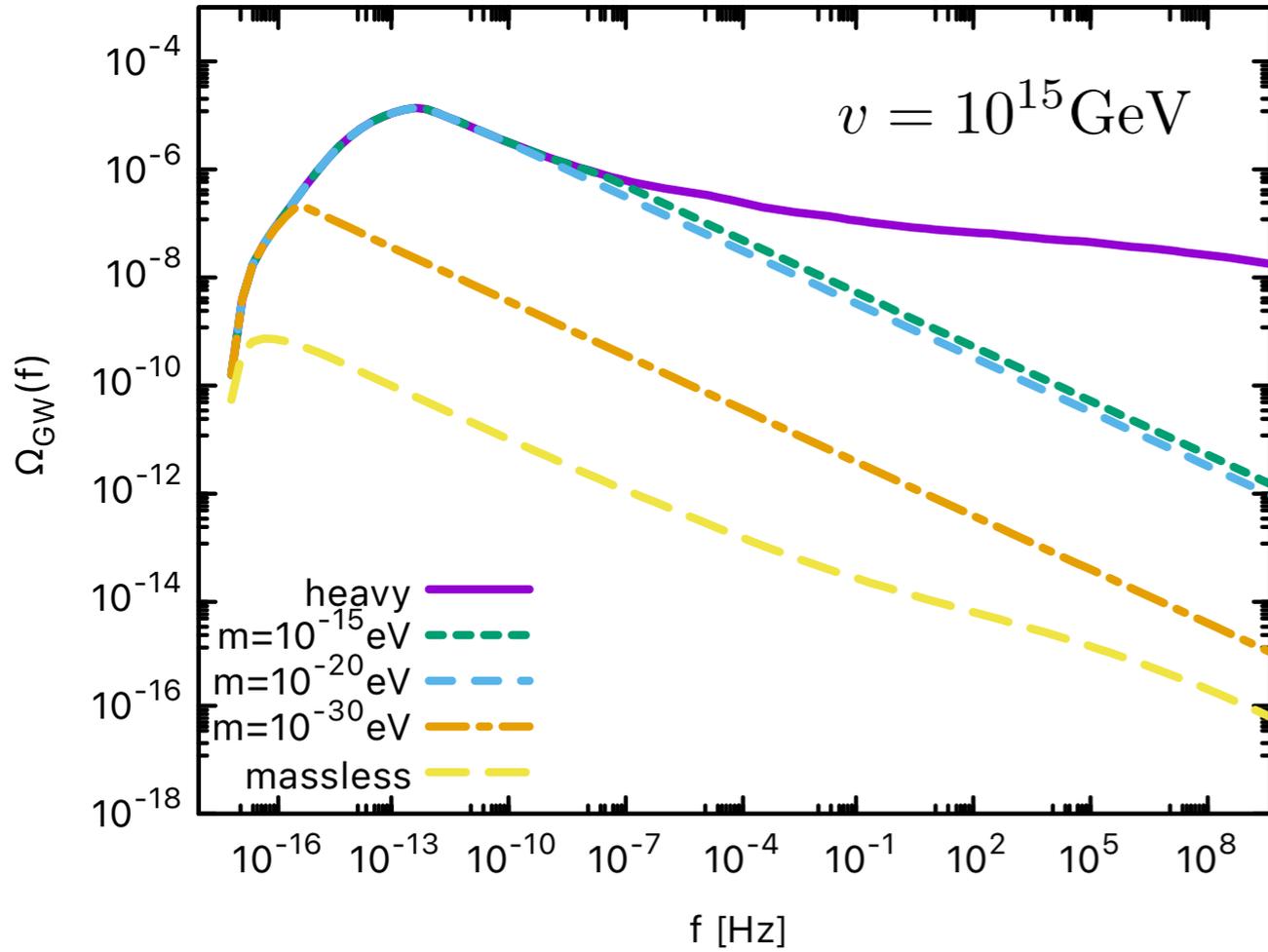
$$\frac{dE_\ell}{dt} = -\Gamma_{\text{GW}} G\mu^2 - \Gamma_{\text{vec}} v^2 \theta(1 - m_A \ell) \quad (\Gamma_{\text{GW}} \sim \Gamma_{\text{vec}} \sim 50)$$

Loops shorter than  $m_A^{-1}$  can emit dark photons

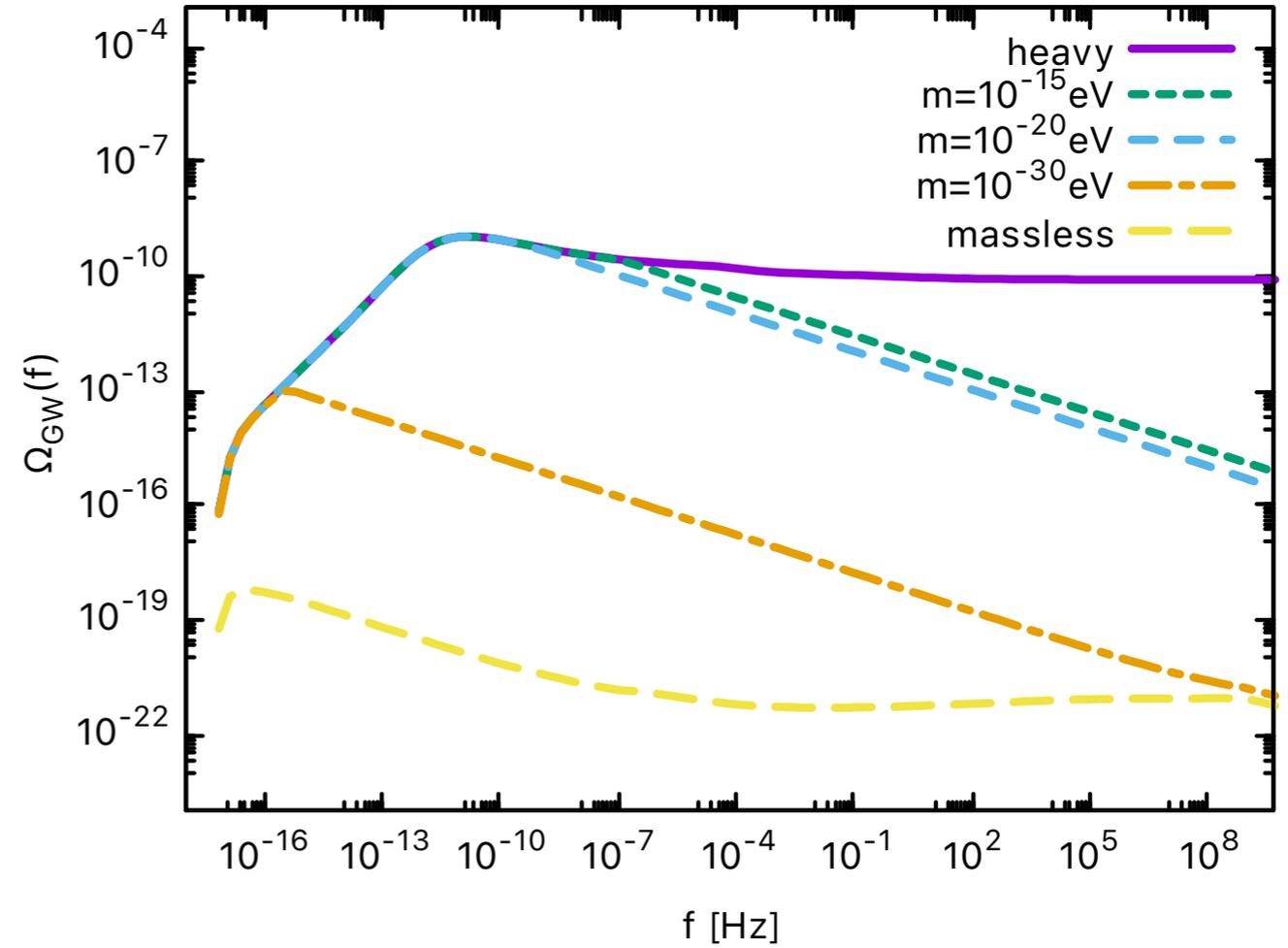
—> short lived & GW emission is suppressed

# GW spectrum

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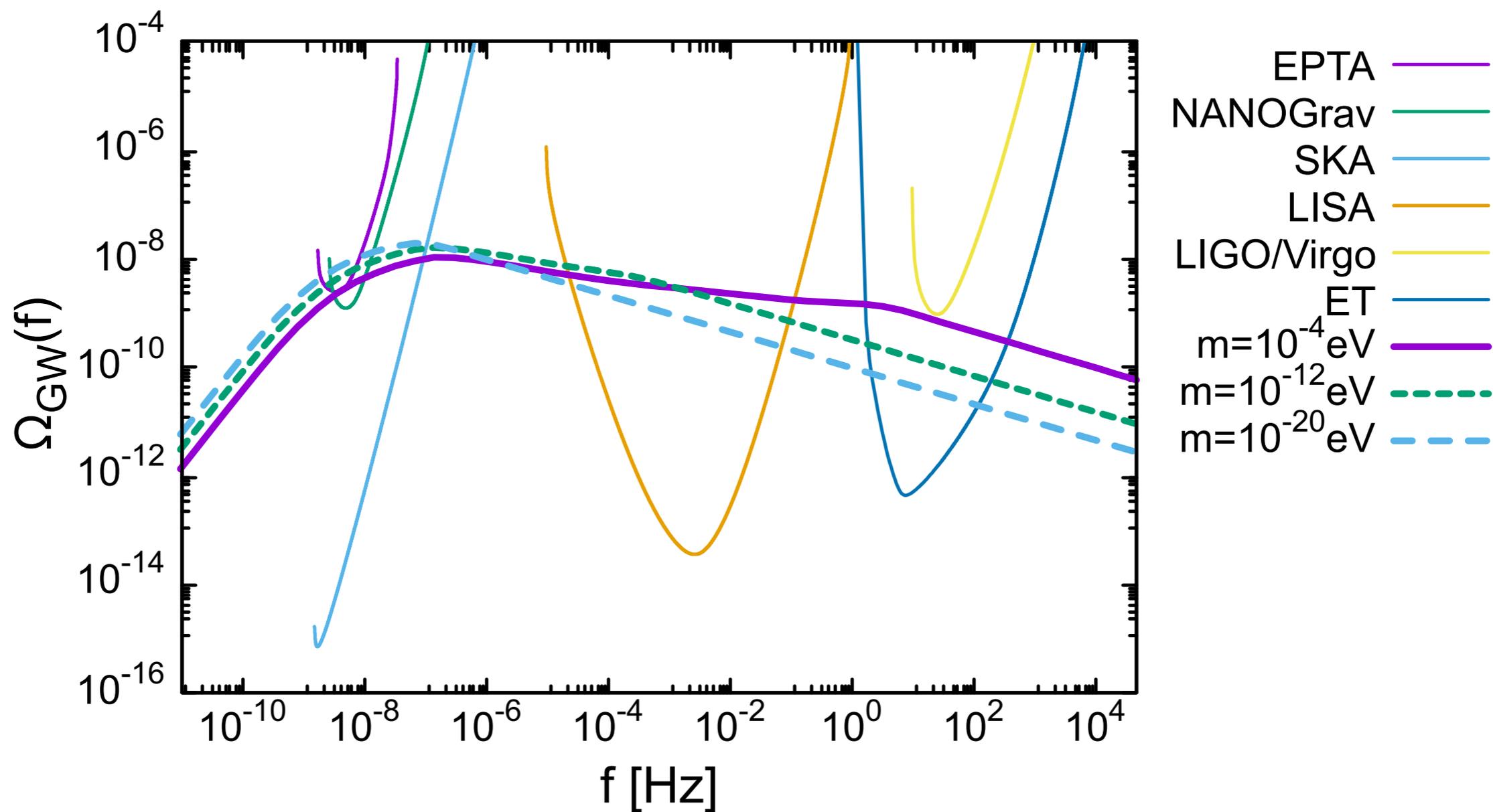


log-enhanced (scaling violation)



no-scaling violation

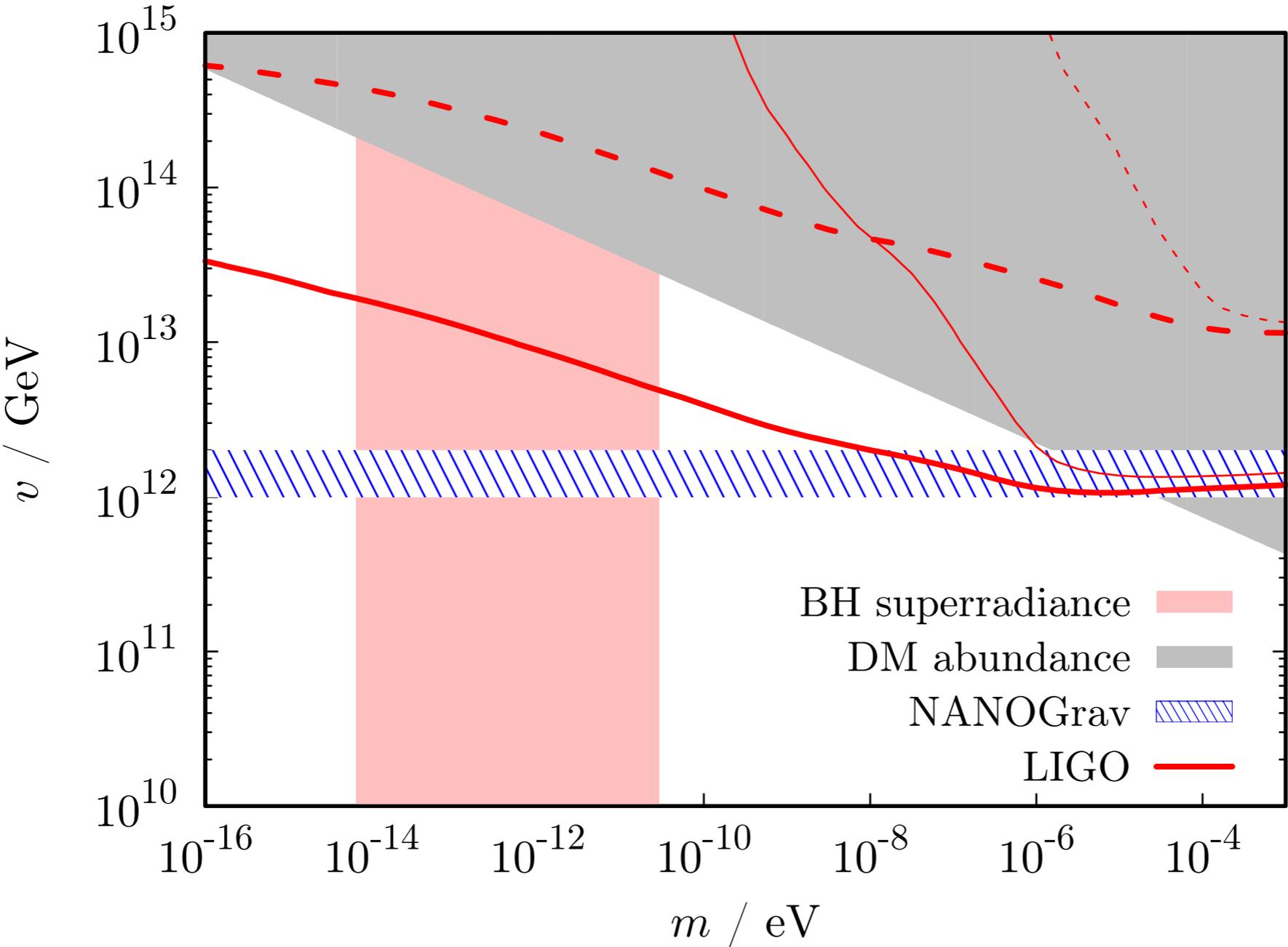
# GW spectrum with log-enhancement



NK, Nakayama 2306.17390

# Dark photon DM abundance

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$m_A \sim 1-10\mu\text{eV}$

# Summary

- Dark photon can be produced from the network of cosmic strings but the production stops when  $H < m_A$

—> relic abundance is fixed at that time

observed DM abundance can be obtained for e.g.

$$v \sim 10^{12}-10^{14}\text{GeV}, m_A \sim 10^{-14}-10^{-5}\text{eV}$$

- Gravitational waves are emitted as a signal of this scenario

Spectrum is different from both local and global one

- NANOGrav data can be explained & tested by future aLIGO

with dark photon mass  $m_A \sim 1-10\mu\text{eV}$

