

MeV gamma-ray emissions, occasionally
PeV emissions with memory burden by
evaporating primordial black holes

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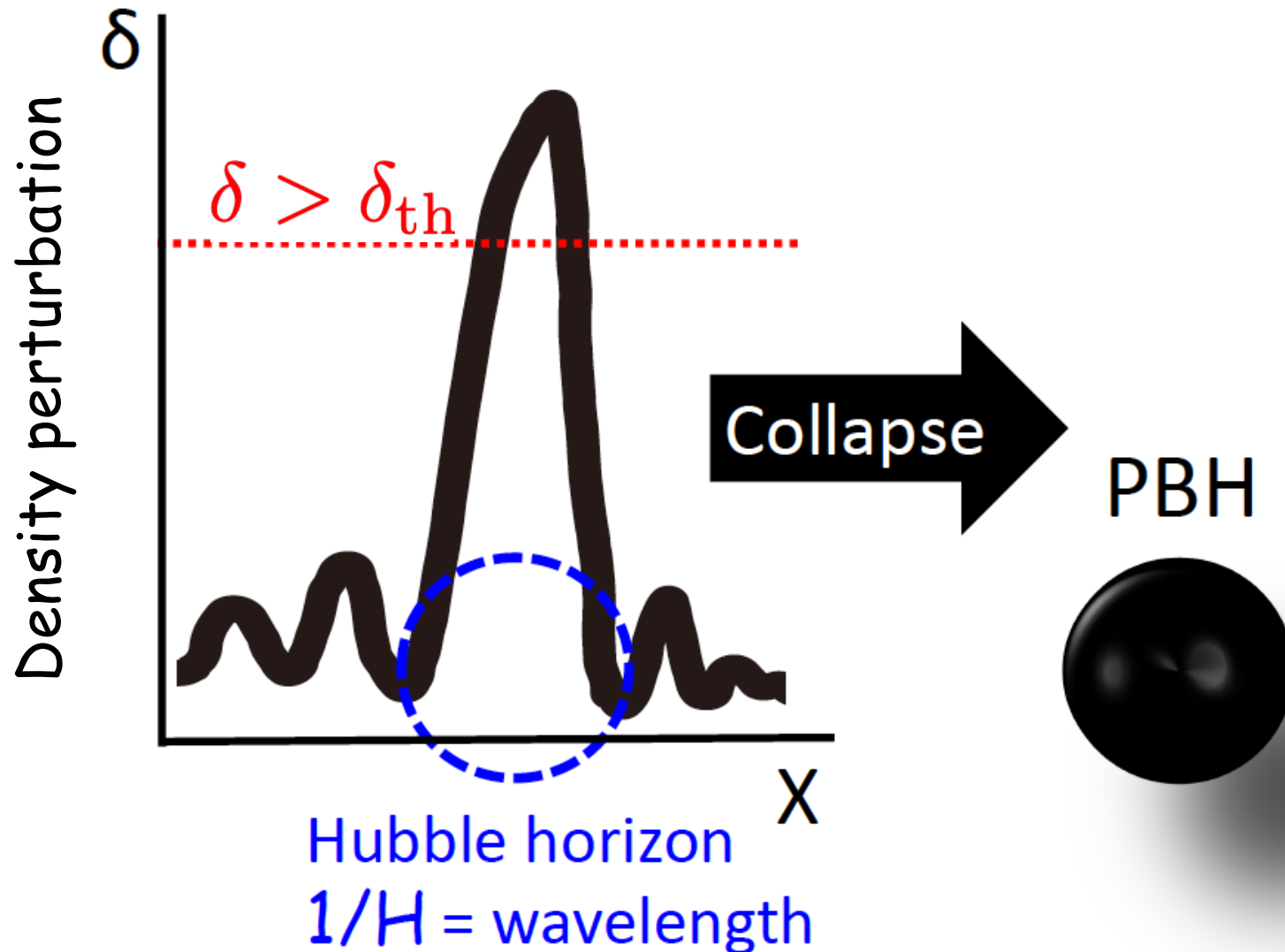
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Abstract

- Primordial black holes (PBHs) are black holes formed in the early Universe ($t \sim 10^{-19}$ sec)
- PBHs with their masses 10^{17} g – 10^{23} g can be dark matter (DM)
- PBHs with their masses 10^{15} g – 10^{17} g are now evaporating with emitting the MeV gamma-rays and neutrino
- If we assume the Memory Burden Effect, additionally PBHs with 10^5 g – 10^{10} g can be dark matter, which are now emitting the PeV gamma-rays and neutrinos

Formation by large density perturbation

$\delta_{\text{th}} = c_s^2 = w = 1/3$, Bernard Carr, ApJ. 201 (1975) 1
 $\delta_{\text{th}} = 0.41$, T. Harada, C.-M. Yoo, K. Kohri, arXiv:1309.4201

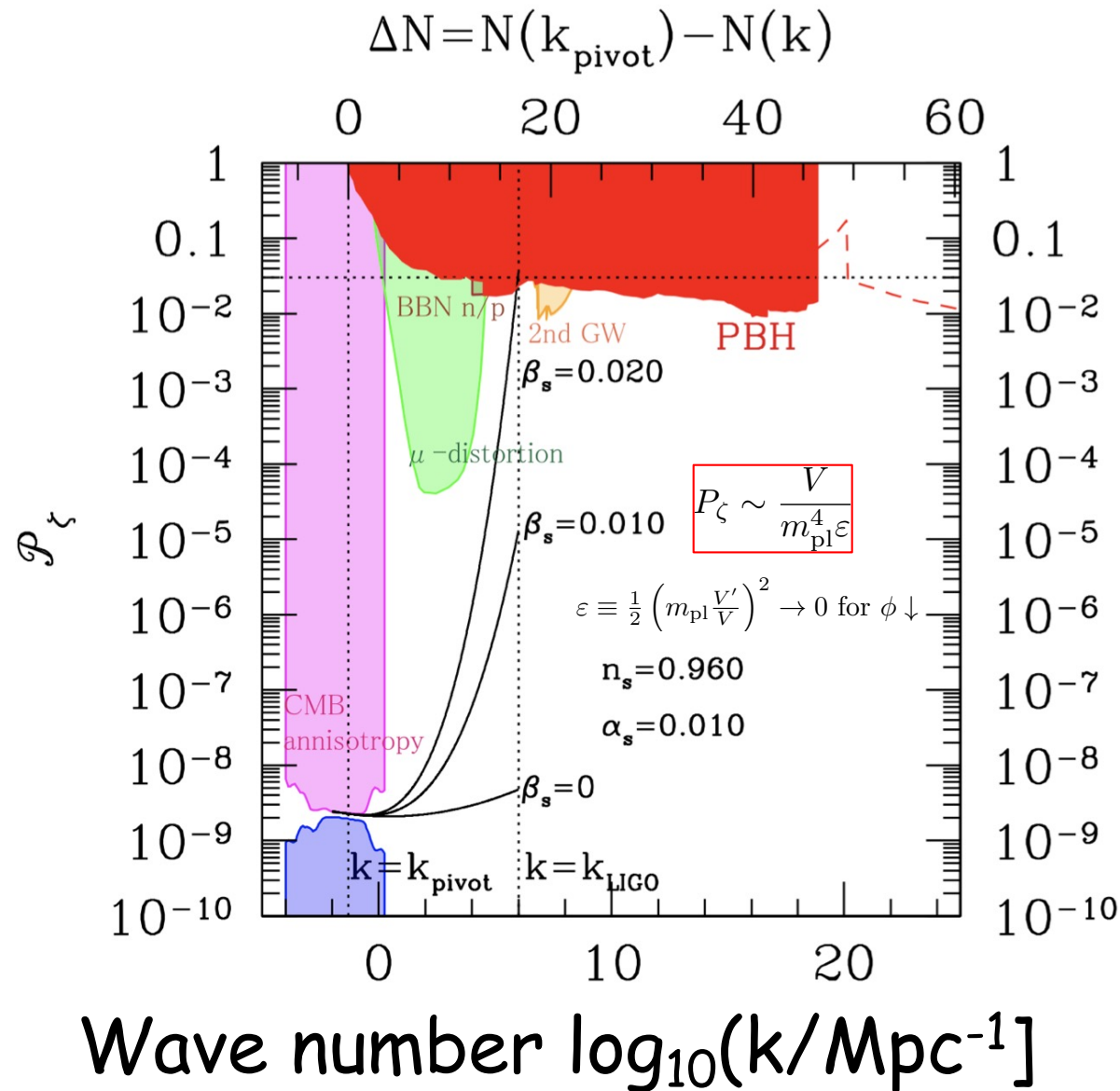


Curvature perturbation $P_\zeta(k)$

Kohri and T.Terada, 2018

Alabidi, Kohri, Sendouda, Sasaki, 2013

Amplitude of curvature perturbation



Planck (2018)

$$n_s = 0.9586 \pm 0.0056,$$

$$\alpha_s = 0.009 \pm 0.010,$$

$$\beta_s = 0.025 \pm 0.013.$$

at 68% C.L.

For inflation models
with a big running,
see Kohri, Lin Lyth
(2008)

Abundance of PBHs

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- Integral of distribution for density-perturbation

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\rho_{\text{PBH}}(M)}{\rho_{\text{tot}}} \Big|_{\text{form}} &= \int_{\delta_{\text{th}}}^{\infty} d\delta \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\bar{\delta}^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{\delta^2}{2\bar{\delta}^2}\right) && \text{Curvature perturbation} \\ &\simeq \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \frac{\bar{\delta}}{\delta_{\text{th}}} \exp\left(-\frac{\delta_{\text{th}}^2}{2\bar{\delta}^2}\right) && \bar{\delta}^2 \sim \mathcal{P}_{\zeta}(k) \\ &= 1.5 \times 10^{-18} \left(\frac{m_{\text{PBH}}}{10^{15}g}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{\Omega_{\text{PBH}} h^2}{0.1}\right) \end{aligned}$$

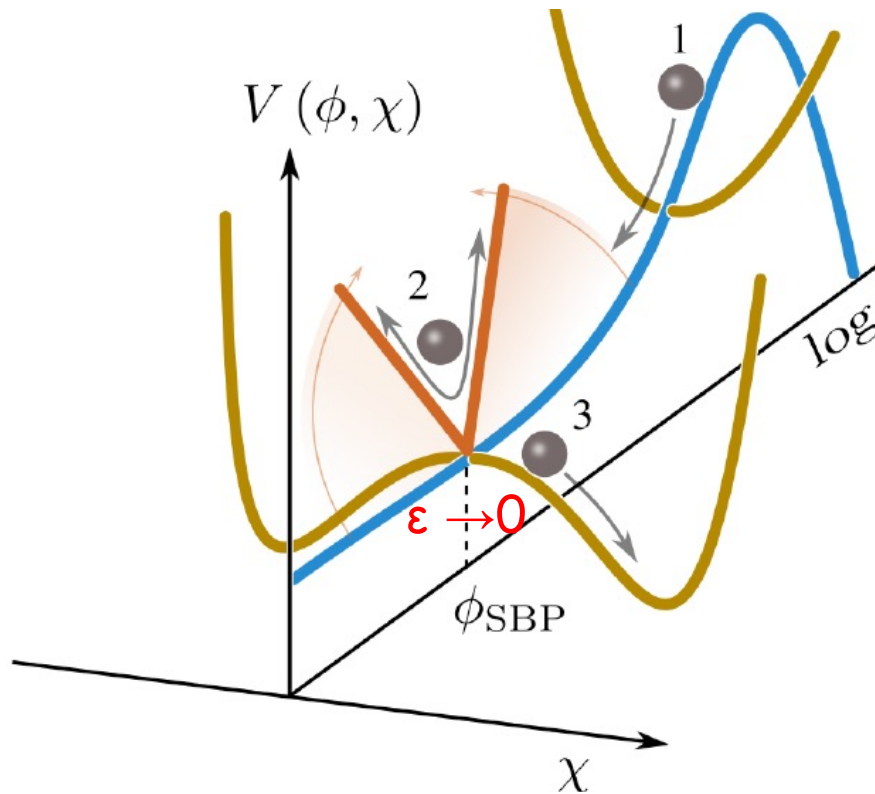
For Peak Statistics,
e.g., see Yoo, Harada, KK et al (2018)(2020) and so on

Multi-field inflation models

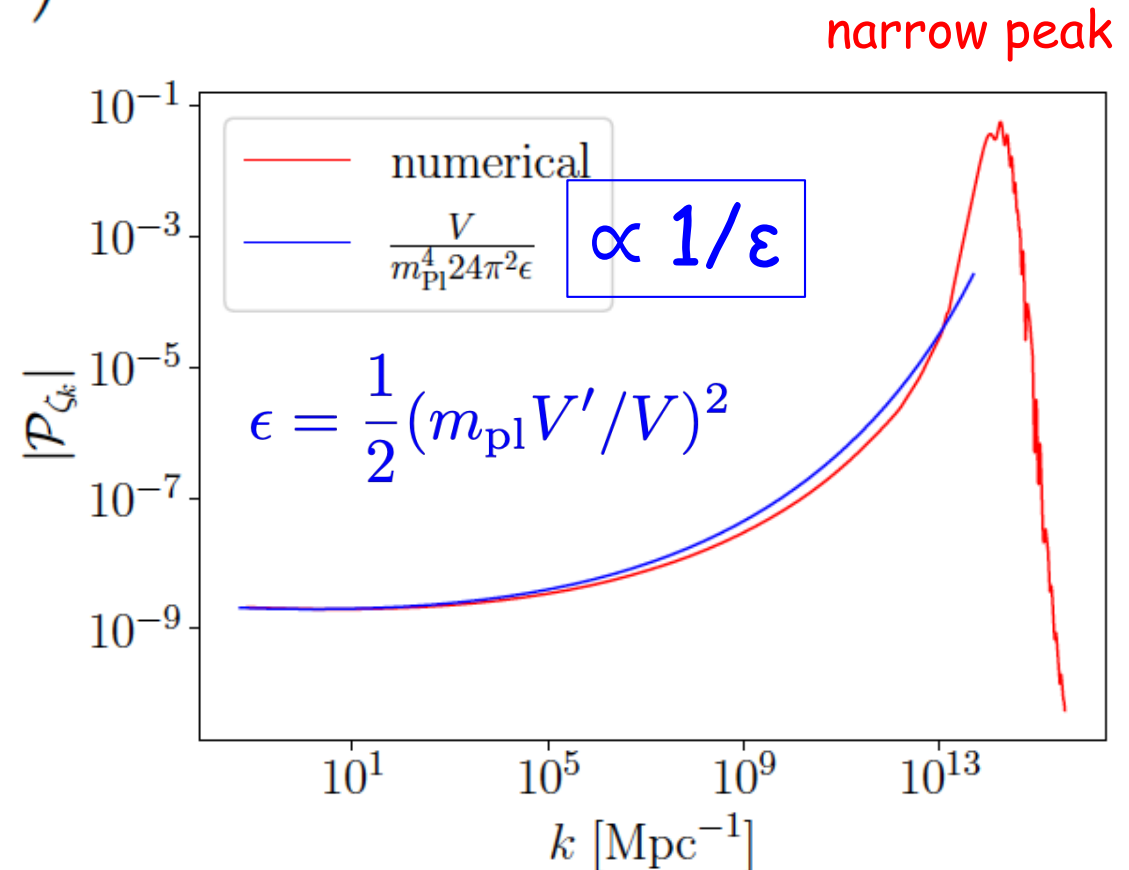
to enhance curvature perturbation at small scales

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arXiv:2511.23182 [astro-ph.CO]

$$U(\phi) \equiv -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\phi^2}{m_{\text{Pl}}^2} \left(B - \frac{A}{\left(1 + \alpha \ln \frac{\phi}{m_{\text{Pl}}}\right)^2} \right)$$



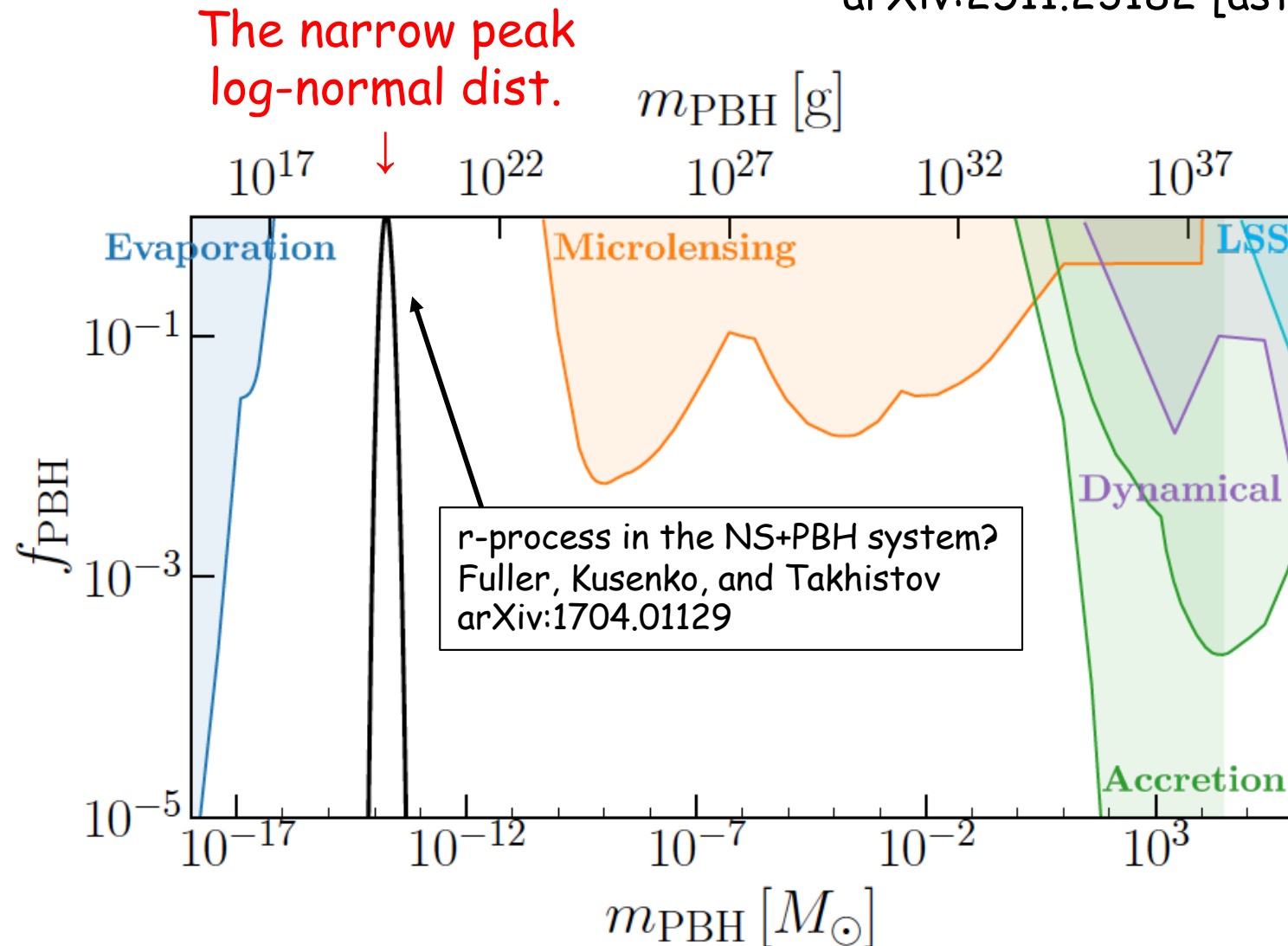
$$V(\chi) = -\frac{1}{2} m^2 \chi^2 + \lambda \chi^4$$



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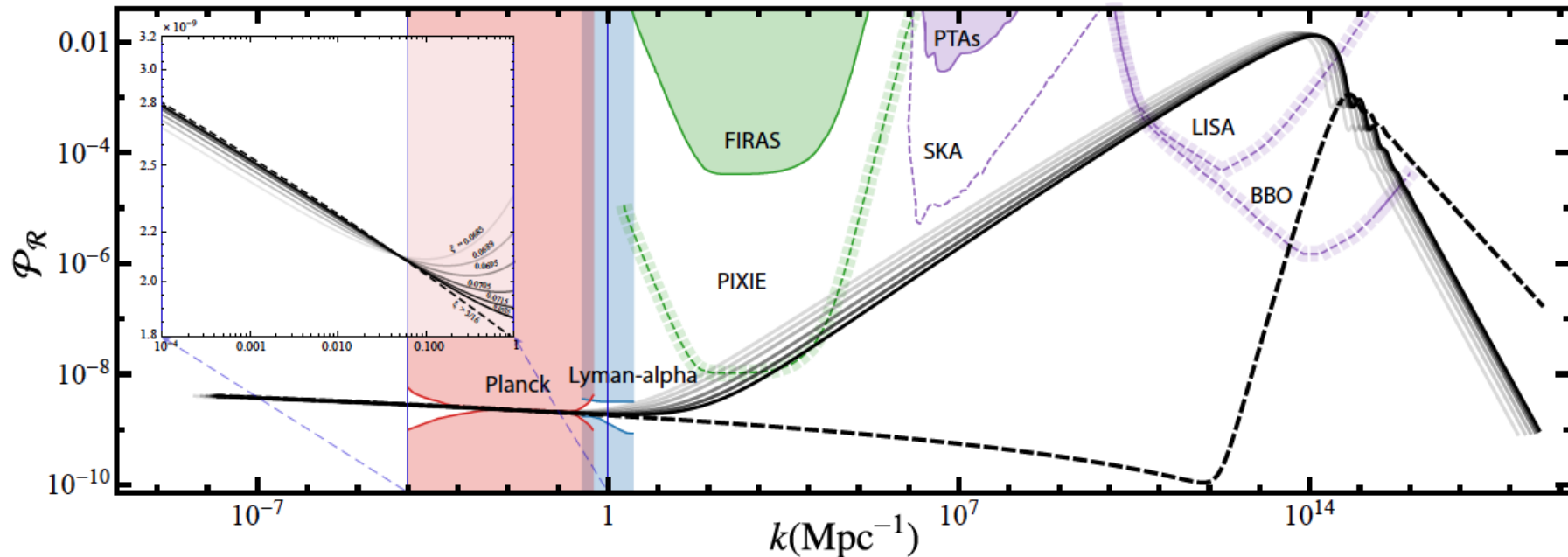
R^2 + Higgs inflation fits ACT spectral index

Kazunori Kohri, Xinpeng Wang, Tsutomu T. Yanagida, arXiv:2506.06797 [astro-ph.CO]

$$S_J = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}{2} f(R, \chi) - \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \chi \partial_\nu \chi - V(\chi) \right],$$

$$f(R, \chi) = R + \frac{R^2}{6M^2} - \frac{\xi R}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2} (\chi - \chi_0)^2,$$

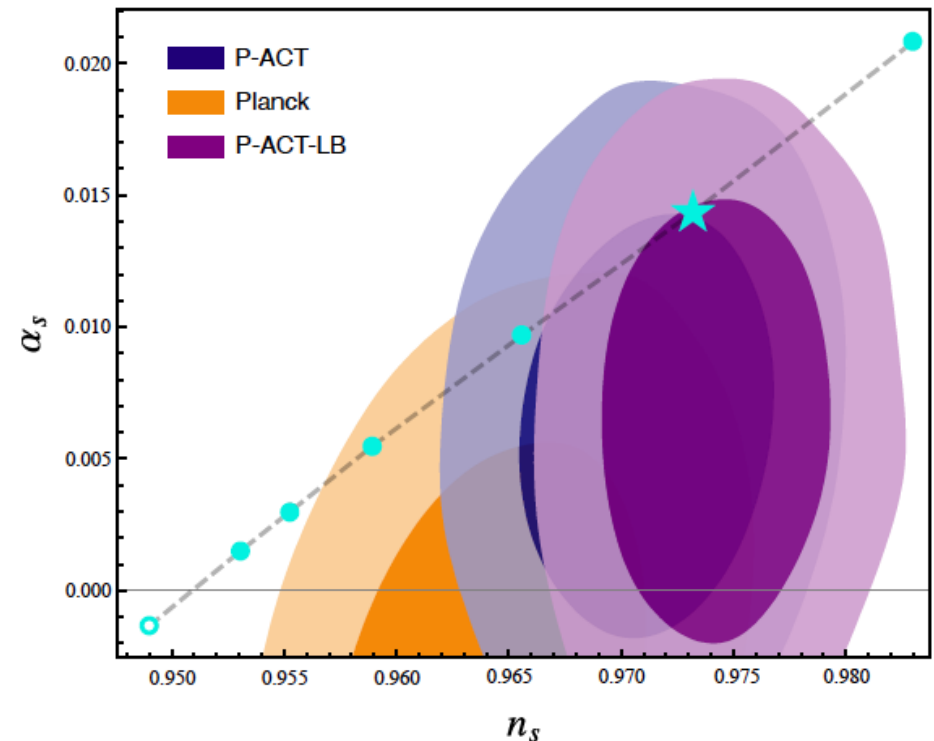
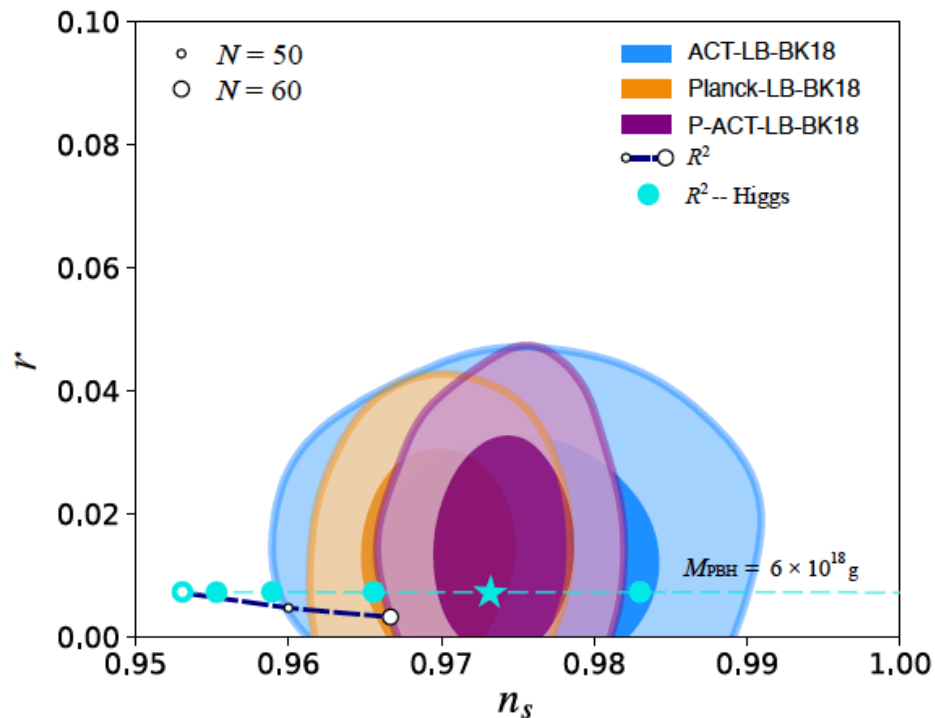
$$V(\chi) = \frac{1}{4} \lambda (\chi^2 - m^2)^2.$$



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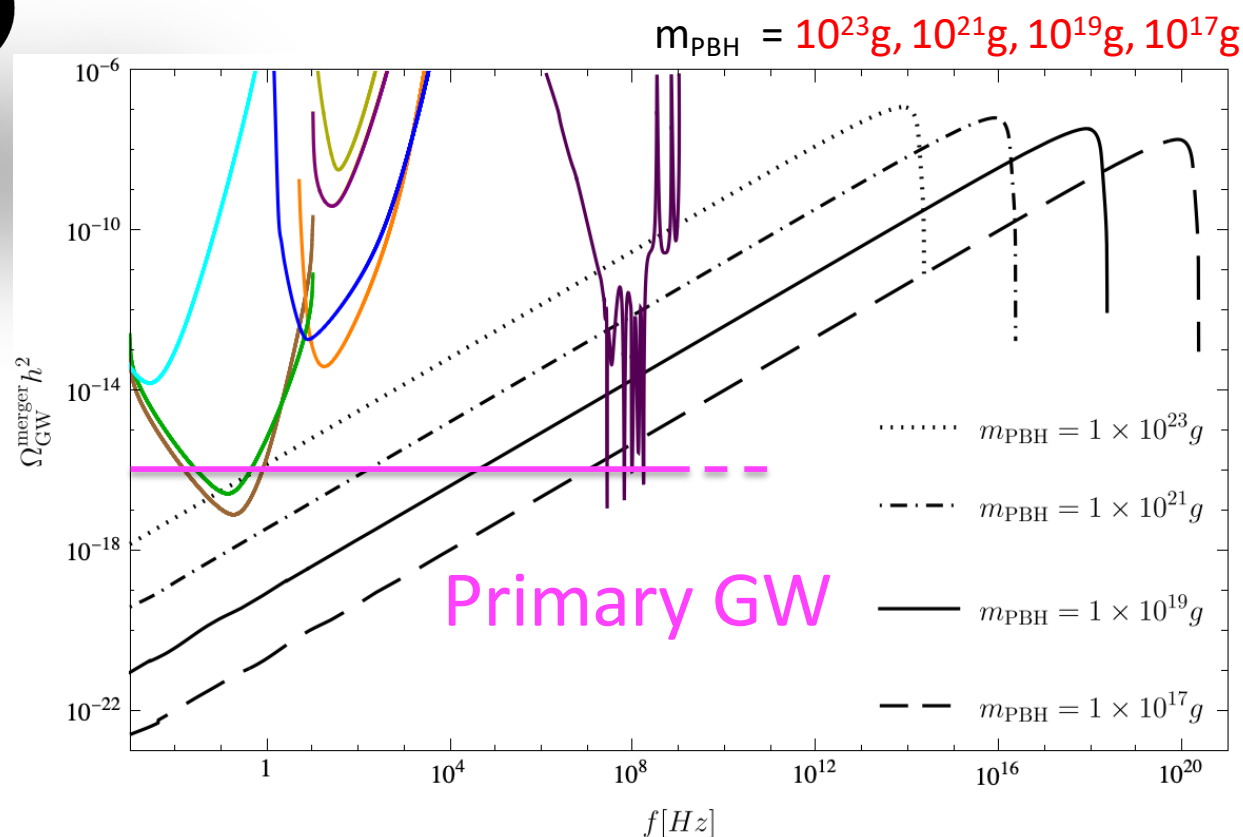
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- Large spectral index $n_s \sim 0.98$
- Positive running $\alpha_s \sim \mathcal{O}(+0.01)$



Merger Gravitational Waves probing Primordial Black Hole **Dark Matter**

Y.S. Furuta, M. Karciauskas, K. Kohri and A. Saez, 2025, arXiv:2512.XXXXX to appear

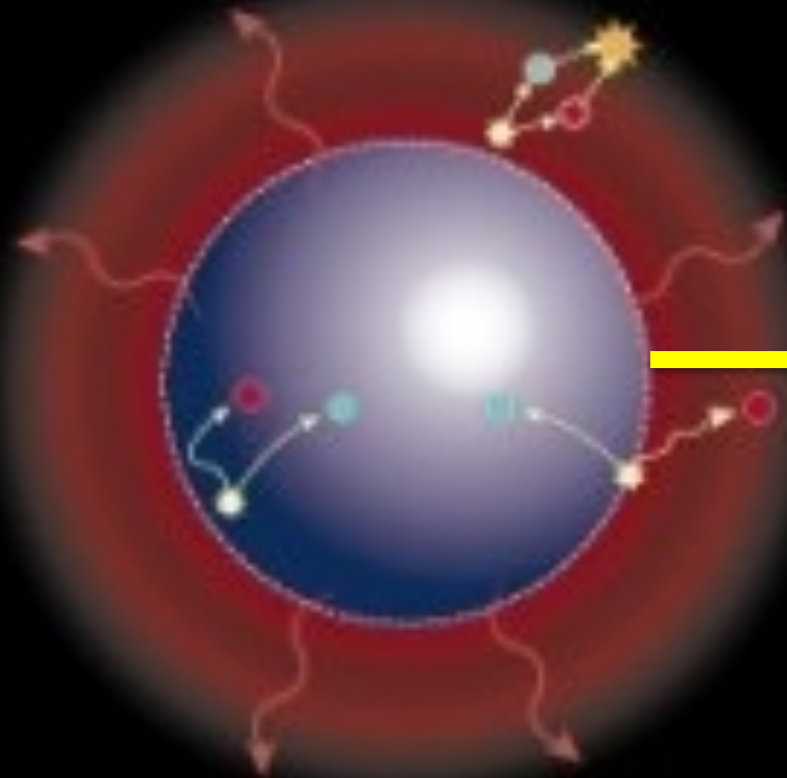


Hawking evaporation through quantum mechanics

S.W. Hawking, 1974

$$N_{\text{Quantum}} = |\langle \text{vac } 1 | a^\dagger a | \text{vac } 1 \rangle|^2 = |\beta_{\text{Bogoliubov}}|^2$$

$$= \frac{dE}{2\pi} \frac{\Gamma_s}{e^{E/T_{\text{BH}}} - (-1)^{2s}}$$



Blackhole

$|\text{vac}\rangle_{\text{Strong Gravity}}$

Asymptotically flat

$|\text{vac}\rangle_{\text{Minkowski}}$

Typical quantities of PBHs

- Lifetime

$$\tau_{\text{PBH}} \sim \frac{M_{\text{PBH}}^3}{M_{\text{pl}}^4} \sim 13.8 \text{Gyr} \left(\frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{10^{15} \text{ g}} \right)^3 \sim O(10^7) \text{Gyr} \left(\frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{10^{17} \text{ g}} \right)^3$$

$$\sim O(1) \text{ sec} \left(\frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{10^9 \text{ g}} \right)^3 \sim O(10^{-12}) \text{ sec} \left(\frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{10^5 \text{ g}} \right)^3$$

- Mass (horizon mass = ρH^{-3} at $t=t_{\text{form}}$)

$$M_{\text{PBH}} \sim 10^{15} \text{ g} \left(\frac{T_{\text{form}}}{3 \times 10^8 \text{ GeV}} \right)^{-2} \sim 10^{17} \text{ g} \left(\frac{T_{\text{form}}}{3 \times 10^6 \text{ GeV}} \right)^{-2}$$

$(t \sim 10^{-23} \text{ sec})$
 $(t \sim 10^{-19} \text{ sec})$

- Hawking Temperature

$$T_{\text{PBH}} \sim \frac{M_{\text{pl}}^2}{M_{\text{PBH}}} \sim 10 \text{ MeV} \left(\frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{10^{15} \text{ g}} \right)^{-1}$$

$\sim 0.1 \text{ MeV} \left(\frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{10^{17} \text{ g}} \right)^{-1}$
$\sim 100 \text{ PeV} \left(\frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{10^5 \text{ g}} \right)^{-1}$

$$\sim 1 \text{ TeV} \left(\frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{10^{10} \text{ g}} \right)^{-1}$$

Observational bounds on Evaporating PBHs through Hawking Process

Carr, Kohri, Sendouda, J.Yokoyama (2010)(2021)

- Extragalactic and galactic gamma-rays/neutrinos

~~MeV thermal spectrum with a gray-body factor~~

- CMB

~~Heated plasma changes the recombination history~~

- Cosmological 21cm line

~~Heated baryon can emit 21cm line~~

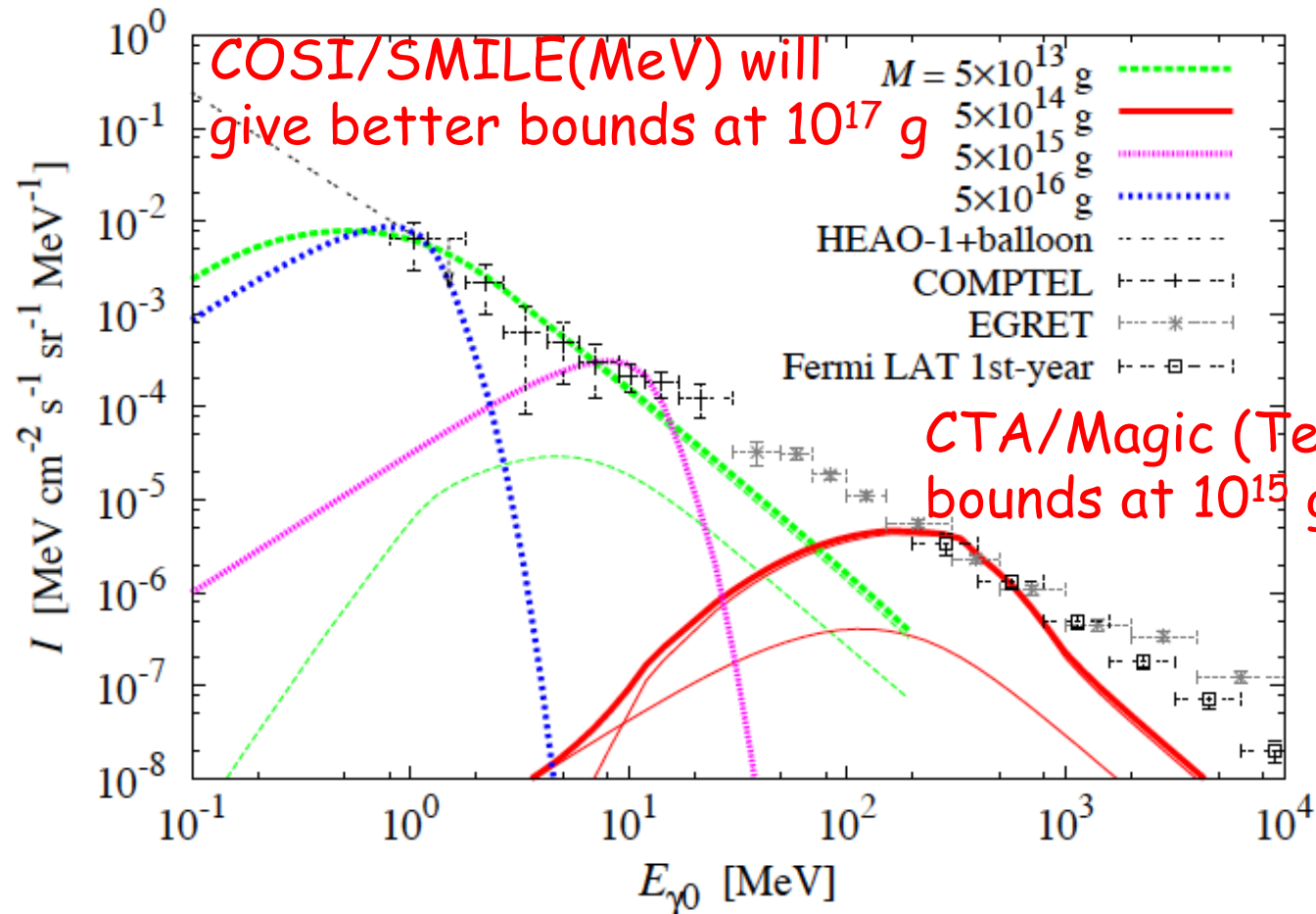
- BBN

~~Hadron emission changes n/p and neutrino distribution, and destroy He4 with copiously producing D, He3, ...~~

Evaporating PBHs through Hawking Process

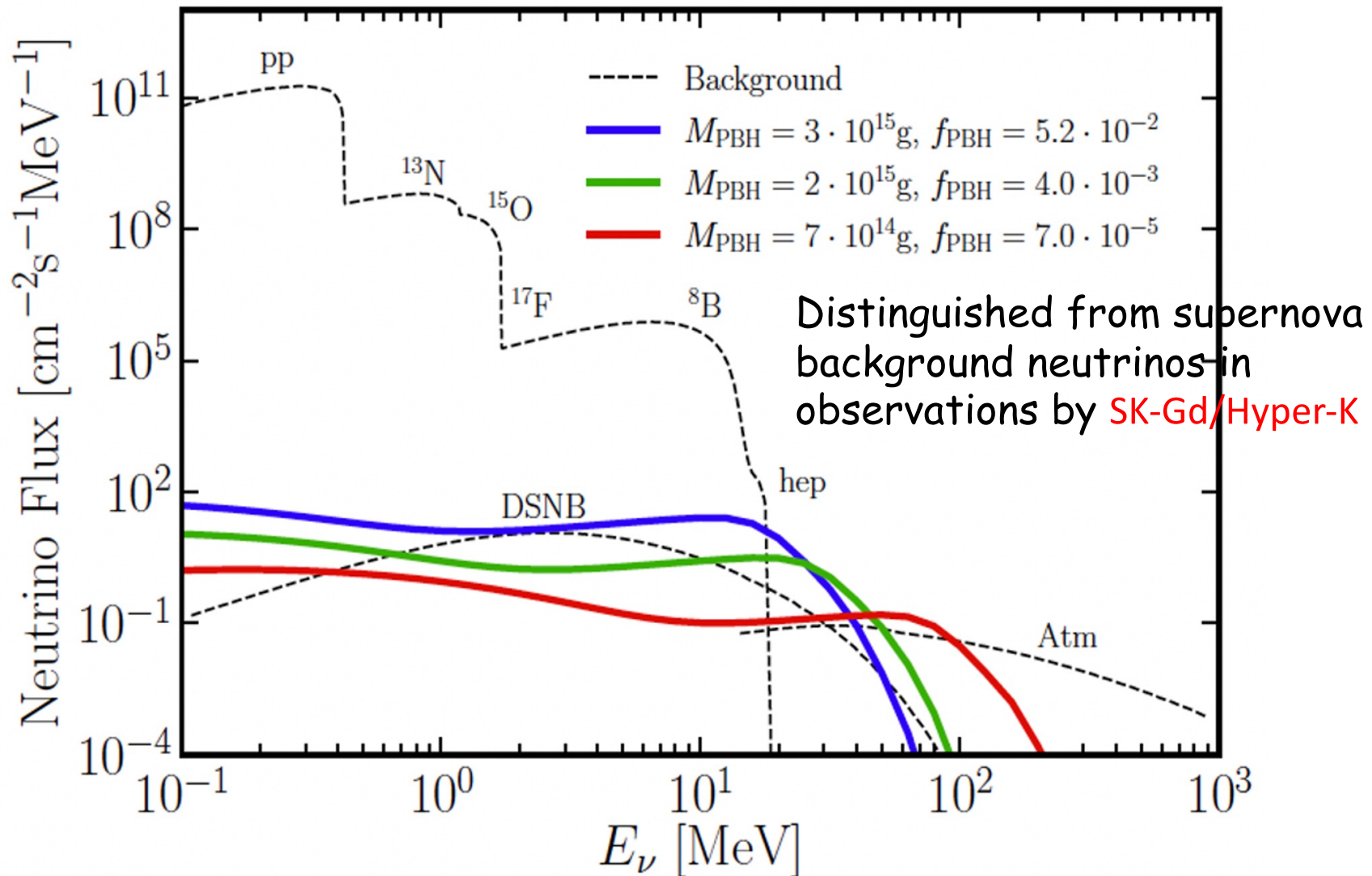
Carr, Kohri, Sendouda and Yokoyama (2010)

$$d\dot{N}_s = \frac{dE}{2\pi} \frac{\Gamma_s}{e^{E/T_{\text{BH}}} - (-1)^2 s}$$



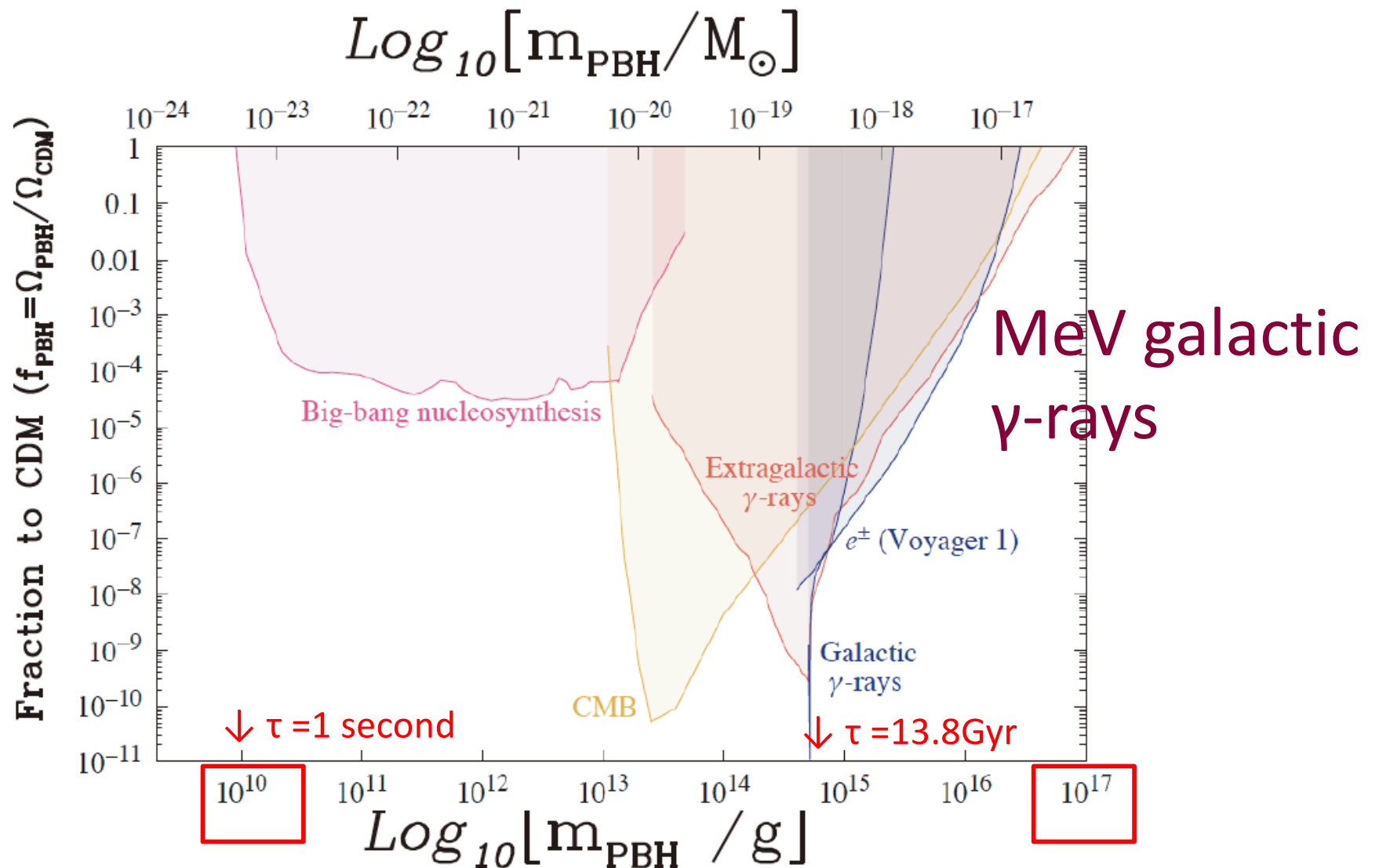
MeV neutrino by evaporating PBHs

R. Calabrese et al, arXiv:2106.02492



BBN, CMB, γ -ray bounds on PBHs

Carr, Kohri, Sendouda, J.Yokoyama (2010)(2021)



Memory Burden in evaporating BHs

Gia Dvali, Lukas Eisemann, Marco Michel, Sebastian Zell, arXiv:2006.00011 [hep-th]

Valentin Thoss, Andreas Burkert, Kazunori Kohri, arXiv:2402.17823 [astro-ph.CO]

$$\frac{d^2 N_{i,\text{MB}}}{dE dt}(E, M, s_i) = \frac{1}{S(M)^k} \frac{d^2 N_{i,\text{SC}}}{dE dt}(E, M, s_i)$$

$$k=2$$

$$S = \frac{4\pi M^2 G}{\hbar c} \approx 2.6 \times 10^{10} \left(\frac{M}{1 \text{ g}} \right)^2$$

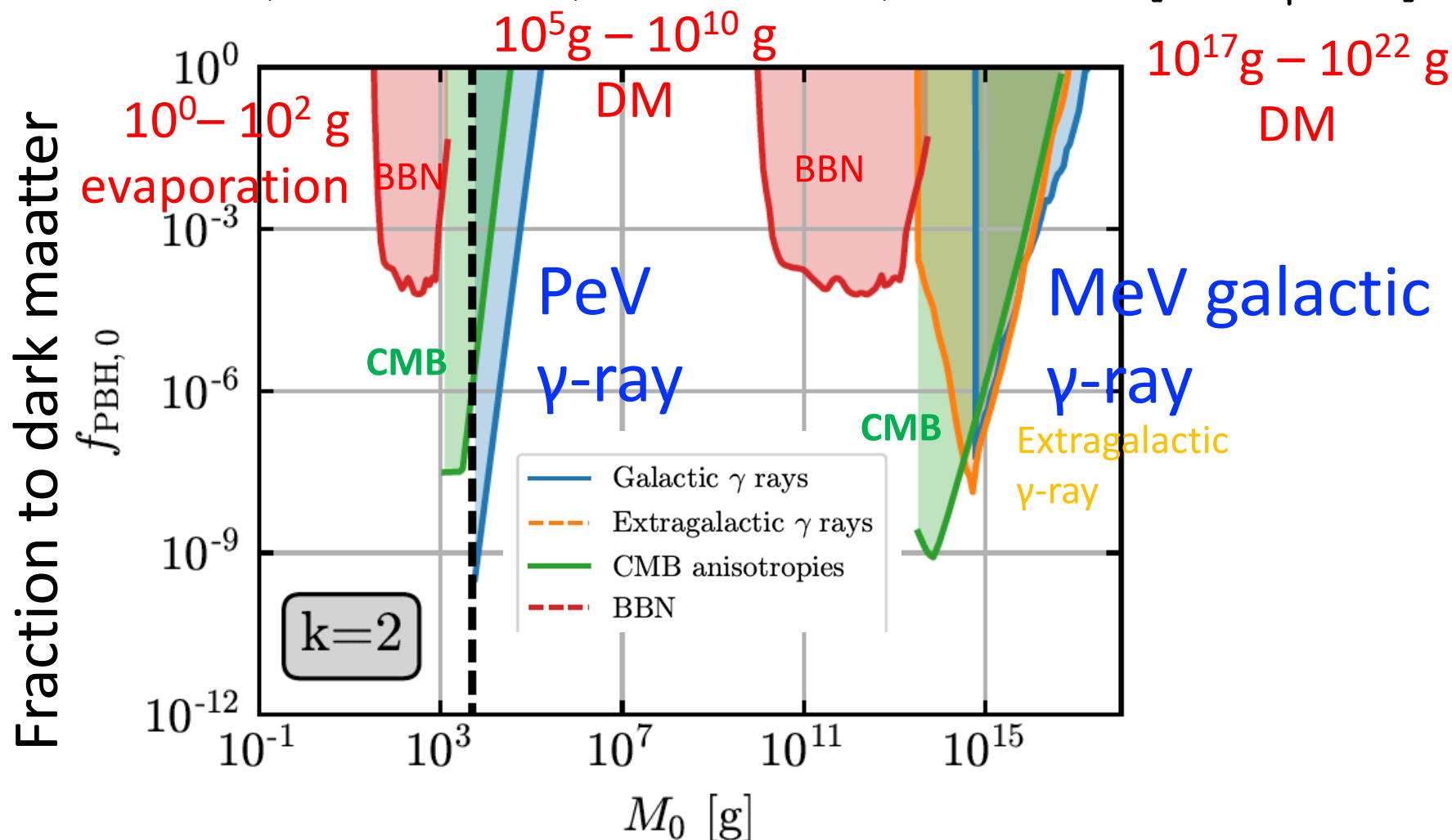
$$\dot{M}_{\text{PBH}} \sim \begin{cases} -\frac{M_{\text{pl}}^4}{M_{\text{PBH}}^2} & (M_{\text{PBH}} \geq \frac{1}{2} M_{\text{PBH,ini}}) \\ -\frac{1}{S^k} \frac{M_{\text{pl}}^4}{M_{\text{PBH}}^2} & (M_{\text{PBH}} < \frac{1}{2} M_{\text{PBH,ini}}) \end{cases}$$

$$q=1/2$$

Breakdown of Hawking Evaporation opens new Mass Window PBHs as DM

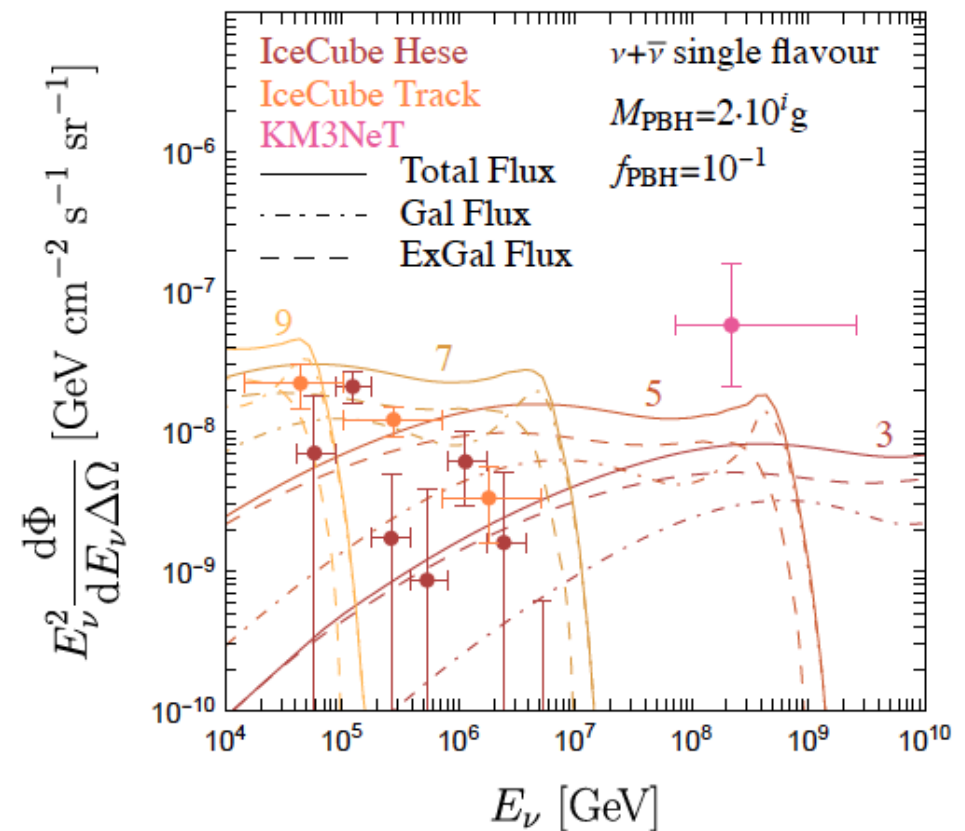
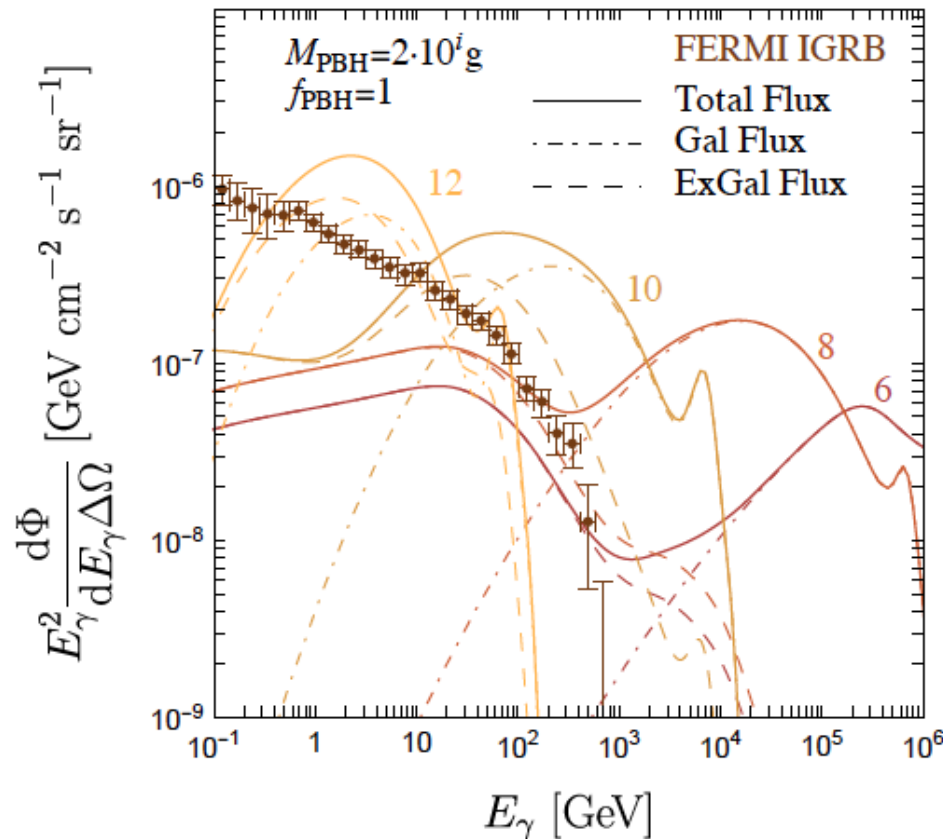
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Fermi and KM3NeT bounds on newly-produced merging PBHs with memory burden effects

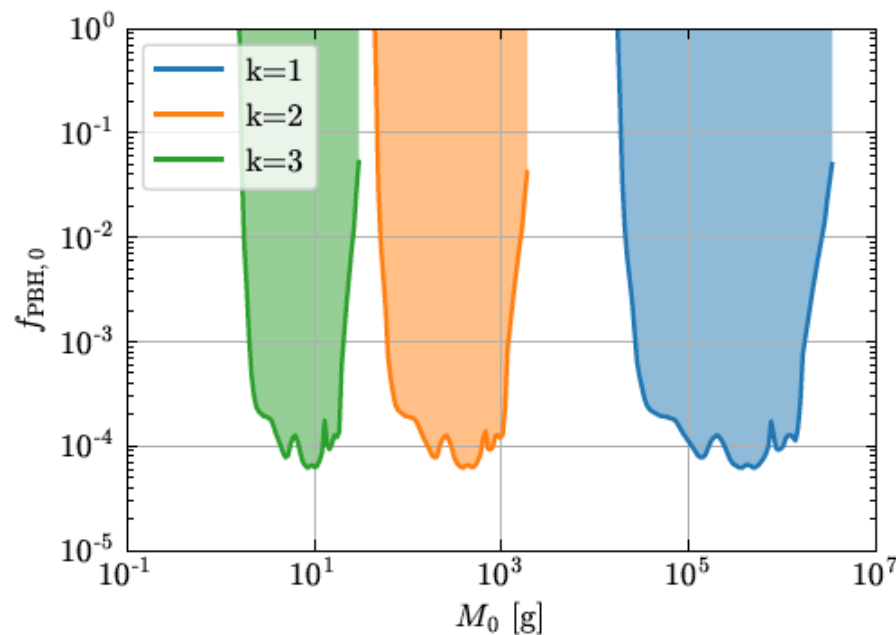
Alessandro Dondarini, Giulio Marino, Paolo Panci, Michael Zantedeschi, arXiv:2506.13861 [hep-ph]



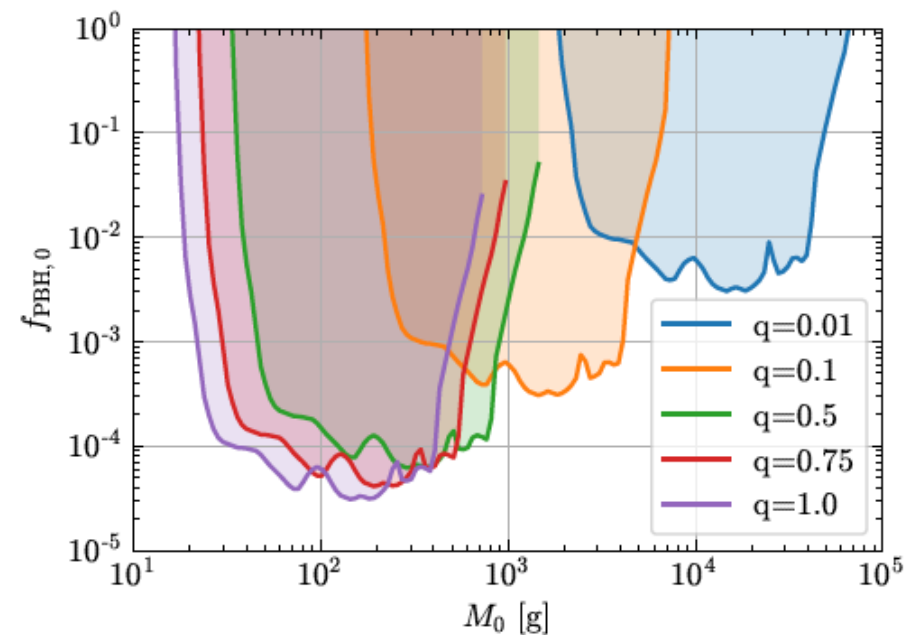
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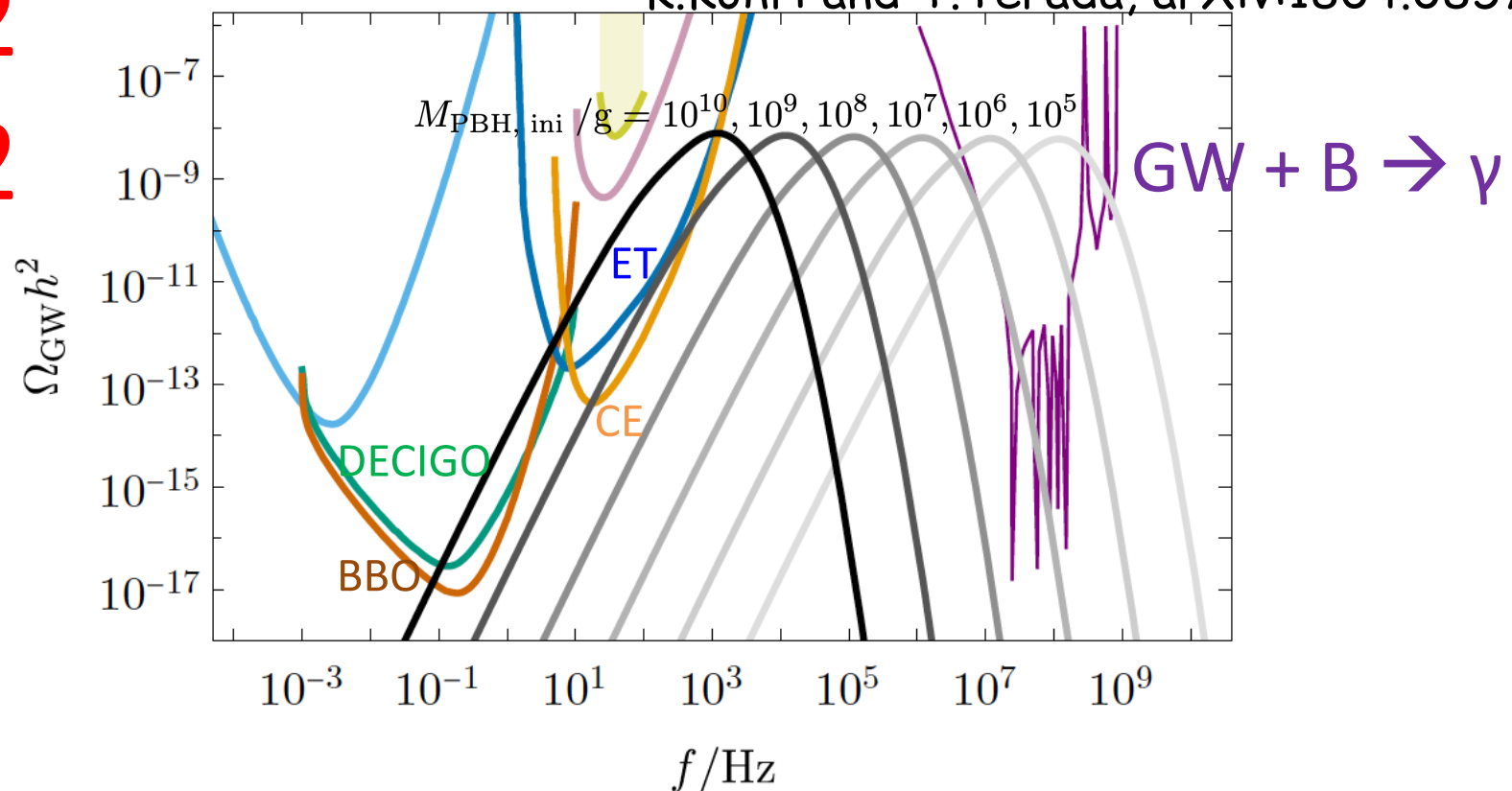
Induced Gravitational Wave probing Primordial Black Hole **Dark Matter** with Memory Burden

K. Kohri. T. Terada. T. Yanagida. arXiv:2409.06365

$$\Omega_{\text{GW},c}(f) = \frac{1}{12} \left(\frac{f}{2\pi aH} \right)^2 \int_0^\infty dt \int_{-1}^1 ds \left[\frac{t(t+2)(s^2-1)}{(t+s+1)(t-s+1)} \right]^2 \\ \times \overline{I^2(t, s, k\eta_c)} \mathcal{P}_\zeta \left(\frac{(t+s+1)f}{4\pi} \right) \mathcal{P}_\zeta \left(\frac{(t-s+1)f}{4\pi} \right)$$

K.Kohri and T.Terada, arXiv:1804.08577

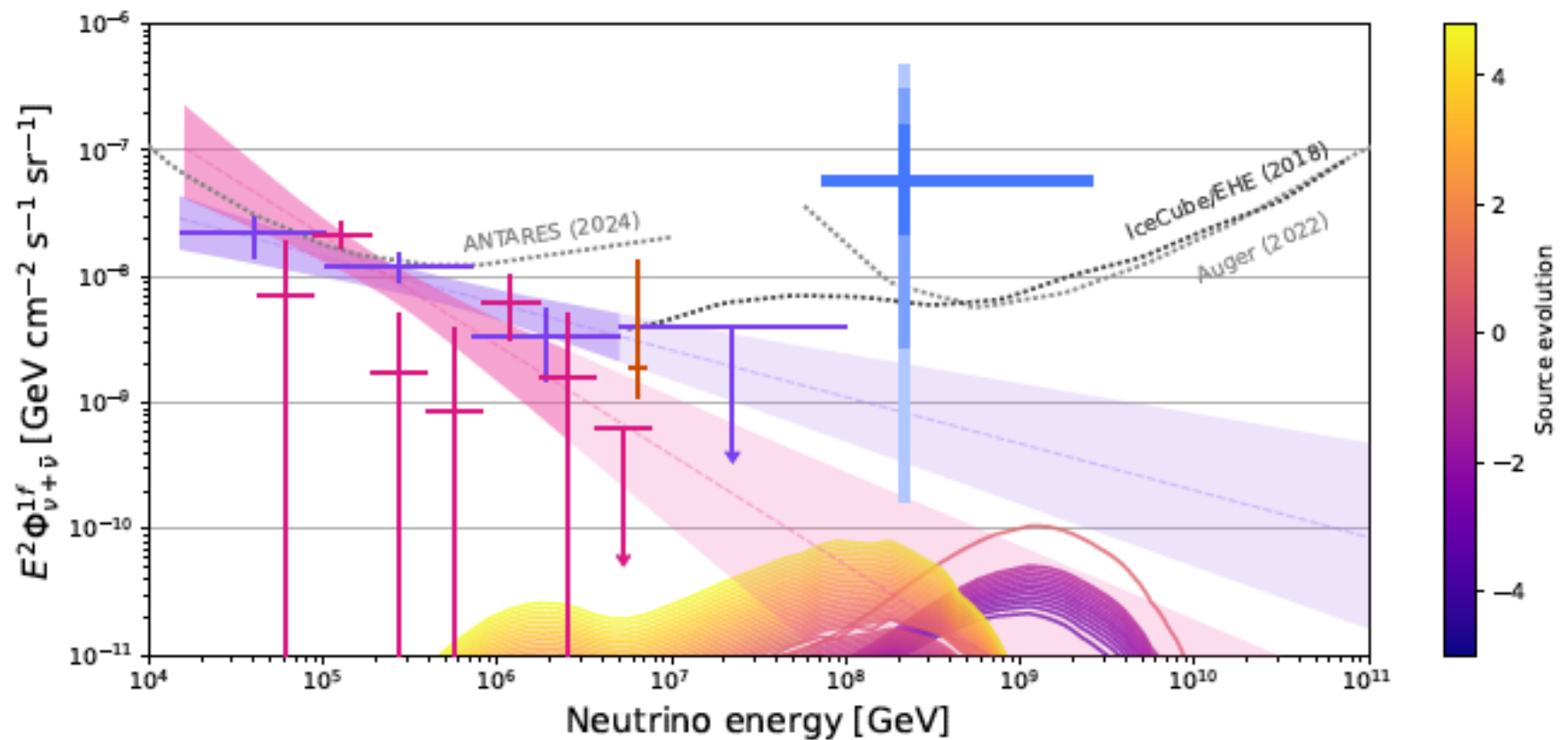
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On the potential cosmogenic origin of the ultra-high-energy event KM3-230213A

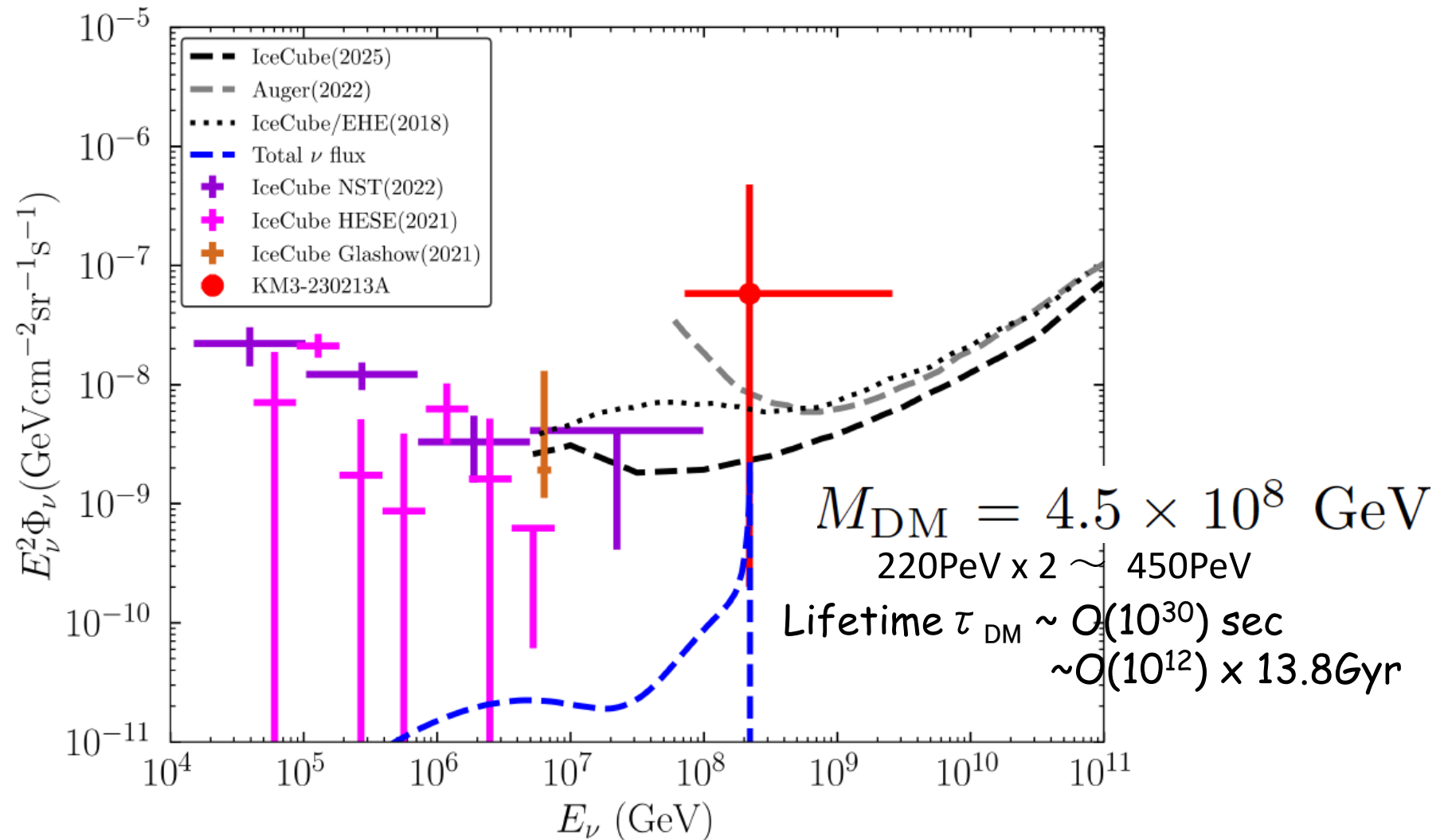
O. Adriani et al, The KM3NeT collaboration, arXiv:2502.08508 [astro-ph.HE]

$$220^{+570}_{-100} \text{ PeV}$$



KM3-230213A and dark matter decay ($\text{DM} \rightarrow \nu + \text{Higgs}$)

Kazunori Kohri, Partha Kumar Paul, Narendra Sahu, arXiv:2503.04464 [hep-ph]



Conclusion

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