

Do we exist because of a gravitational Anomaly?



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1. Outline

- ❖ The (string-inspired) Model : Chern-Simons gravity with gravitational axions
- ❖ Origin of Gravitational Anomalies
- ❖ The role of primordial **gravitational waves** in inducing gravitational **anomaly condensates** – **weak quantum gravity** estimates
- ❖ Induced **Linear-axion monodromy inflation** of Running-Vacuum-Model (RVM) type (**metastable** de Sitter vacuum, compatible with swampland)
- ❖ Gravitational **anomaly condensates** and **matter-antimatter asymmetry** (i.e. reason for **our existence**)
- ❖ Conclusions: a **flash** of the entire cosmological **history** of **this Universe**

2. The Model:
String-inspired
Chern-Simons gravity



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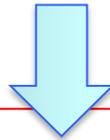


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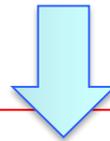


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Implement in path-integral as a field theory $\delta(\dots)$ via
 Lagrange multiplier $b(x)$ pseudoscalar (axion-like) field
 (Kalb-Ramond (KR) Axion) becomes dynamical after H-torsion integration

CP -invariant

pseudoscalar

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**Effective action
after H-torsion (exact)
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CP-conserving interaction with gravity

cf. classically in 4 dim:
b-field "dual" to H-torsion

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Inclusion of Fermions

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3. Gravitational (Chern-Simons) Anomalies

NB:

Anomalies in Quantum Field Theory:

Classical Symmetry \rightarrow Conserved Current

Quantum Theory: Failure of current conservation in ANY REGULARIZATION of the quantum theory

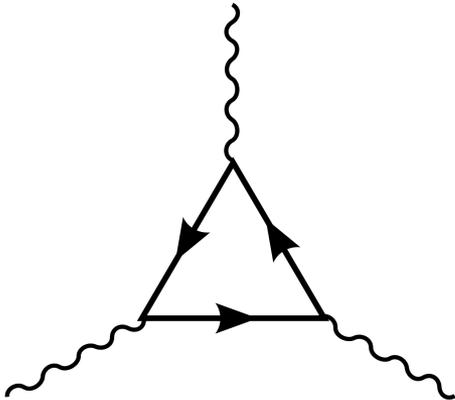
or equivalently:

Path-Integral measure NOT INVARIANT under symmetry transformation

Fujikawa

OF INTEREST HERE: GAUGE & GRAVITATIONAL CHIRAL ANOMALIES

CHIRAL FERMIONIC LOOP in graphs with **$1+D/2$ external legs** (gauge fields or gravitons) in D - space-time dimensions **$D=4 \rightarrow$ triangular graphs**



Alvarez-Gaume, Witten

NB:

Mixed Anomalies (Gravitational + Gauge)

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Anomaly terms are total derivatives:

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Axion coupling

e.g. gravitational axion $f_b = 96 \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{\kappa}{\alpha'} = 96 \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{M_s^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}}$

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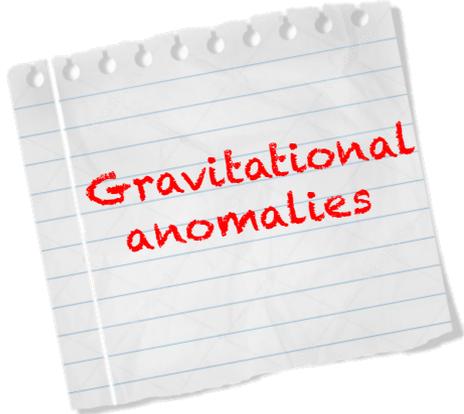
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Contributions to Stress tensor **YES**

NO

Gravitational Anomalies & Diffeomorphism Invariance



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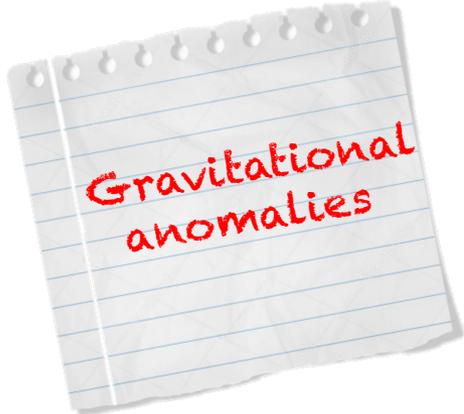
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Jackiw, Pi (2003)

Gravitational Anomalies & Diffeomorphism Invariance



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not necessarily positive contributions to vacuum energy 

Gravitational Anomalies & Diffeomorphism Invariance

Einstein's equation

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$$C^{\mu\nu}_{;\mu} = -\frac{1}{8} v^\nu R^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} \tilde{R}_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}$$

$$v_\sigma \equiv \partial_\sigma b$$



$$\kappa^2 T_{\text{matter}}^{\mu\nu}_{;\mu} = -C^{\mu\nu}_{;\mu} \neq 0$$

Diffeomorphism invariance breaking by gravitational anomalies ?

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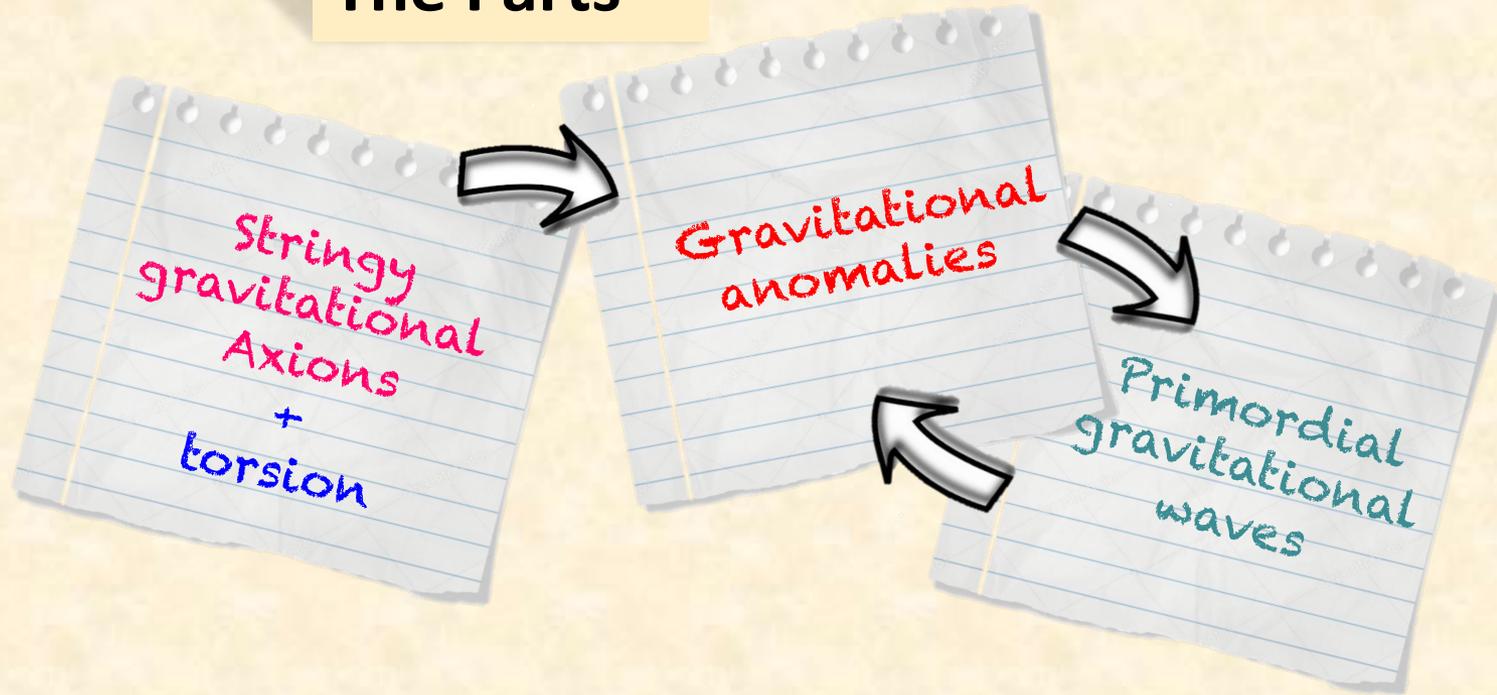
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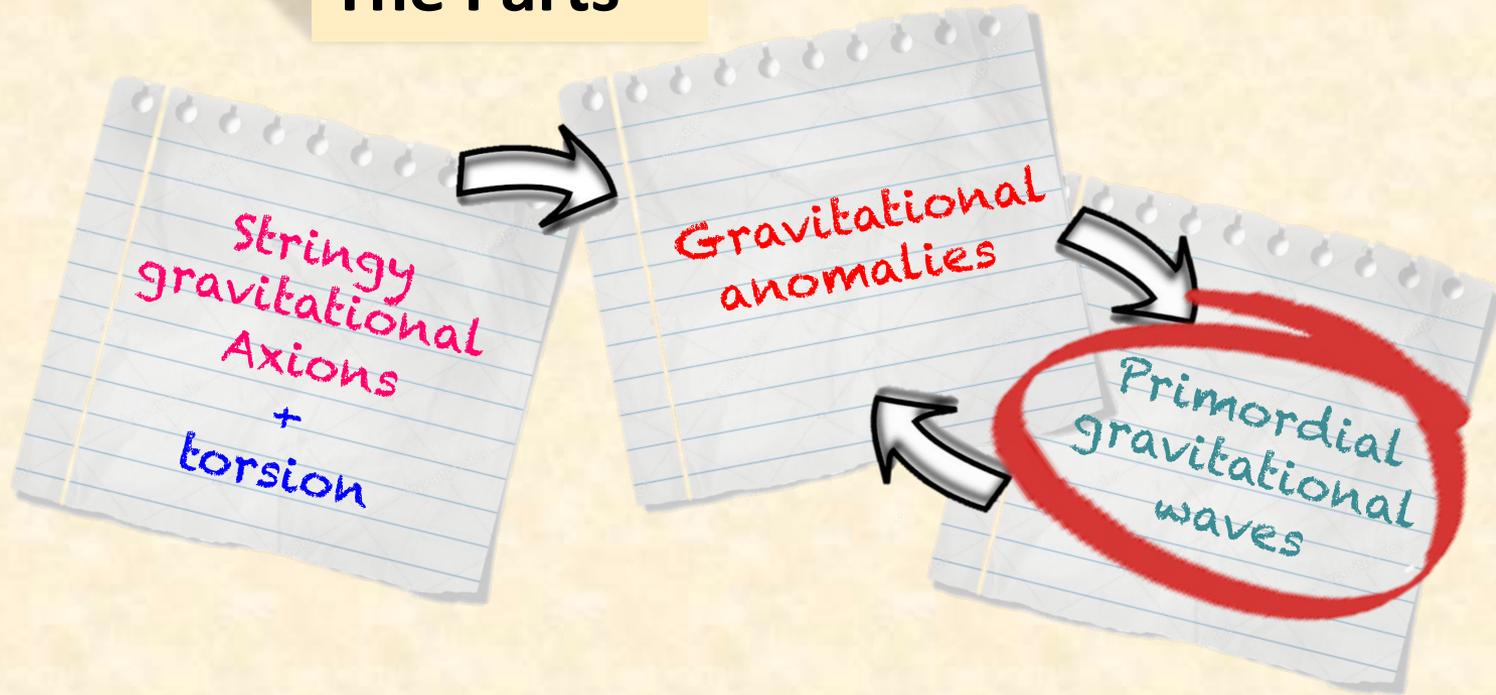


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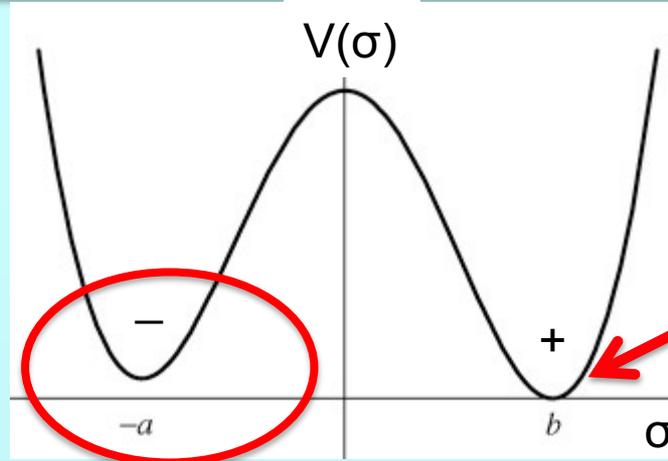
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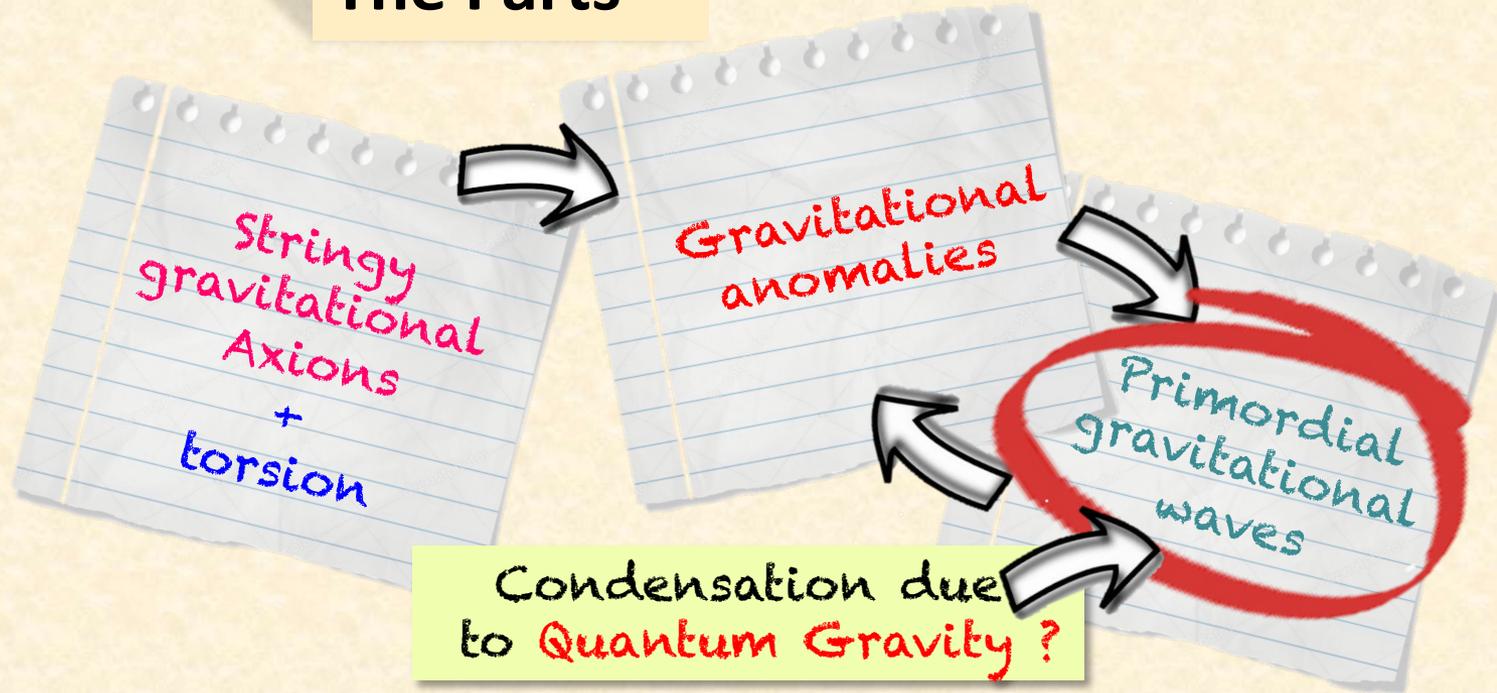
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**3. Gravitational waves
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**Chiral GW waves
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GW tensor perturbations

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$$h_{ij}(t, \vec{x}) = h_L \epsilon_{ij}^{(L)} + h_R \epsilon_{ij}^{(R)} = \sum_{\lambda=L,R} h_\lambda(t, \vec{x}) \epsilon_{ij}^{(\lambda)},$$

**Chiral GW waves
needed for $R_{CS} \neq 0$** 

$$h_{ij} = \kappa \sum_\lambda \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} \frac{\psi_{\lambda, \vec{k}}(\eta)}{\alpha \sqrt{1 - l_\lambda l_{\vec{k}} L_{CS}(\eta)}} \epsilon_{ij}^{(\lambda)}, \quad L \rightarrow R \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{k} \rightarrow -\vec{k}.$$

$$L_{CS}(\eta) = k\xi, \quad \xi = \frac{4Ab'\kappa^2}{\alpha^2}, \quad b' = db/d\eta \quad \left[\epsilon_{ij}^{(R)} \right] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\left[\epsilon_{ij}^{(+)} \right] + i \left[\epsilon_{ij}^{(\times)} \right] \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & i & 0 \\ i & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \left[\epsilon_{ij}^{(L)} \right]^\dagger$$

conformal time

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Keep **ALL terms** (further to approximations made in Lyth, Rodriguez, Quimbay)

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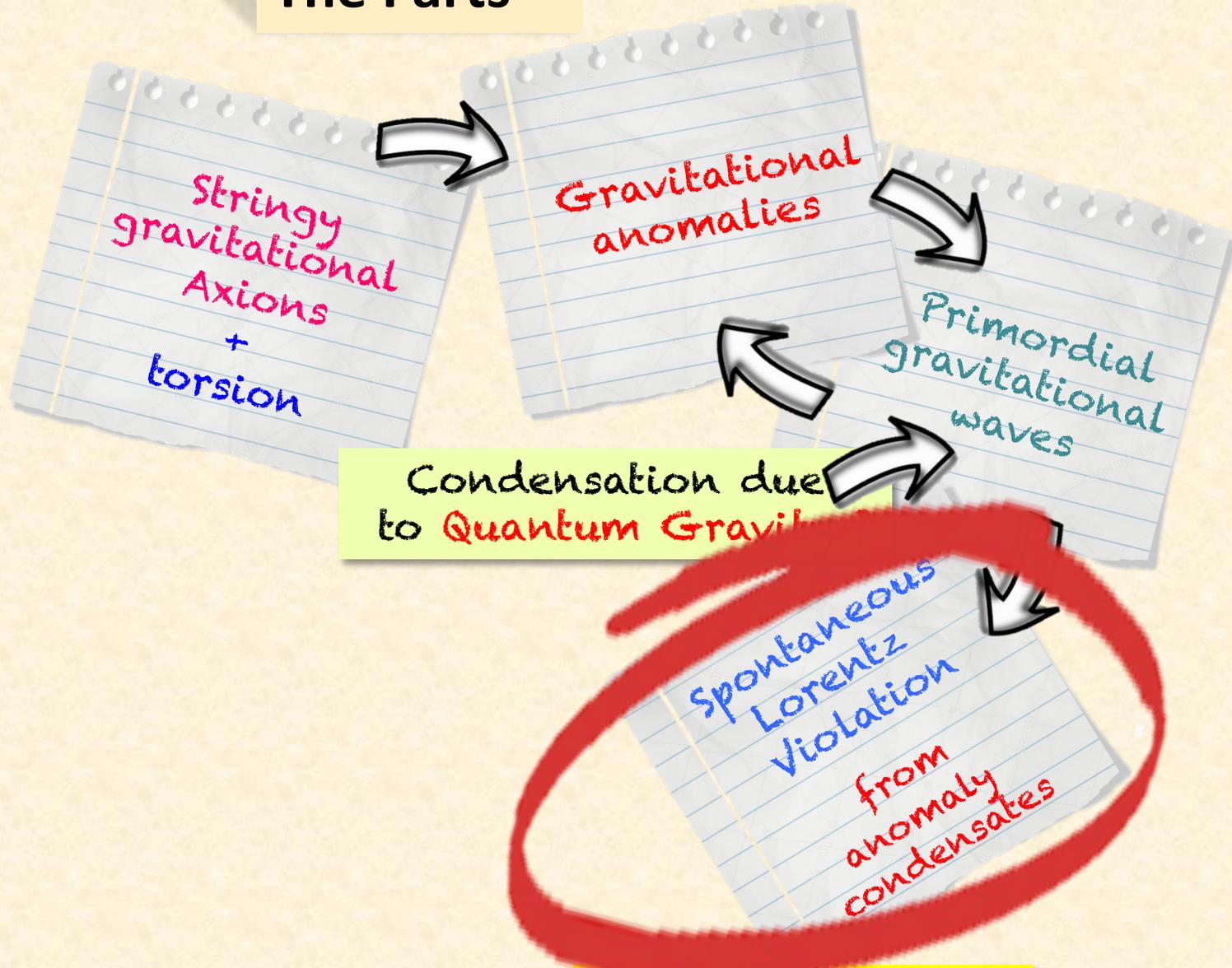
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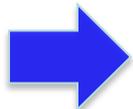
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anomaly current during inflation

$$\mathcal{K}^0 = \text{const.}$$

**Spontaneous
LV solution**



$$N_I \sim O(10^{14})$$

@ the beginning of RVM inflation

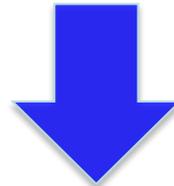
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Parametrisation

**Spontaneous
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(constant spatial
components of H-torsion)**



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Inflationary
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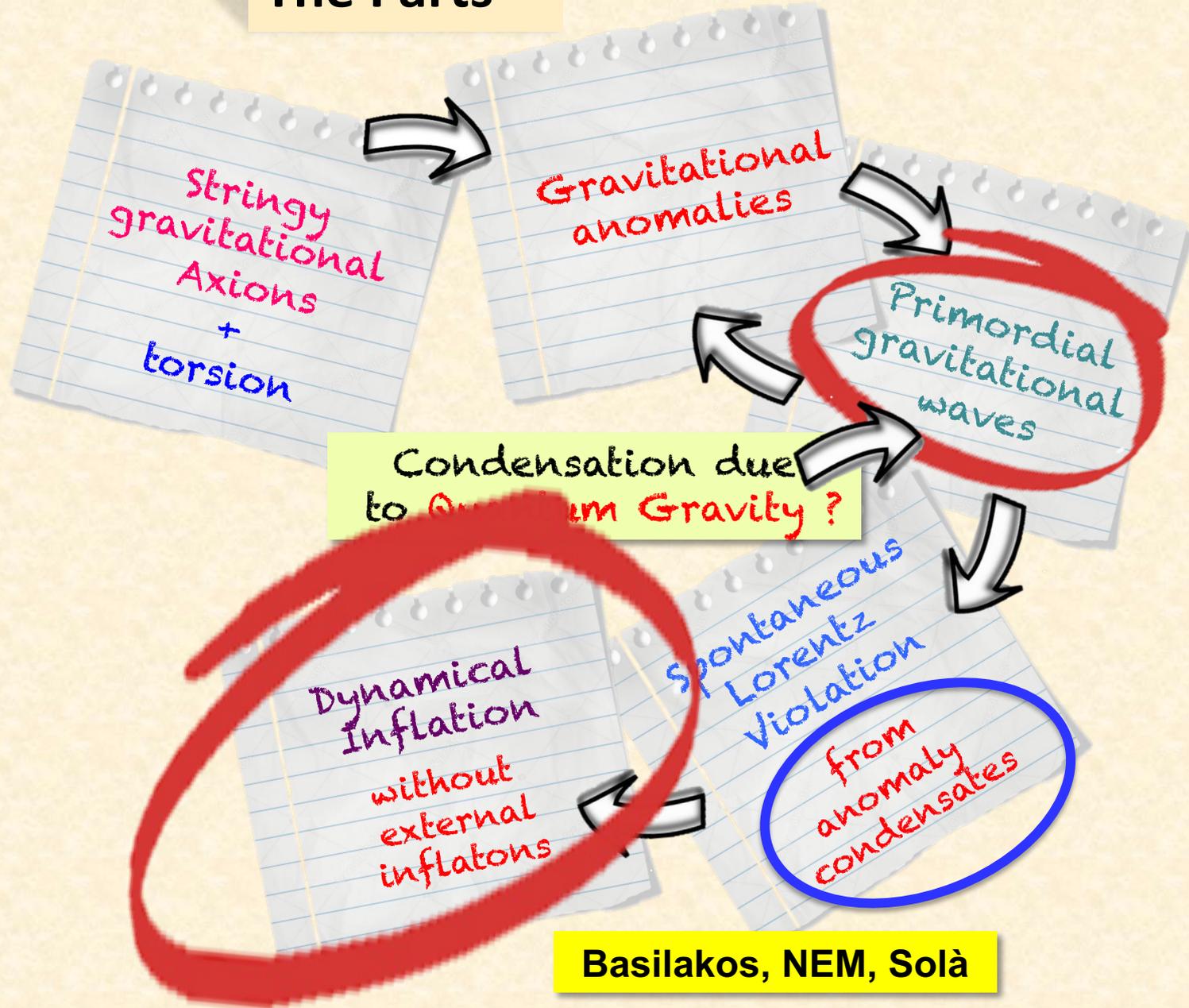
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$$H = H_{\text{infl}} \simeq \text{const.}$$

How can we estimate ε ?

4. Grav. Anomaly
Condensates
&
inflation

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String
gravitatio
Axion
+
torsion

Gravitational
anomalies

Primordial
gravitational
waves

Axion-monodromy-
like Linear inflation
(cf. string theory)

Condensation due
to Quantum Gravity

Dynamical
Inflation
without
external
inflaton

Spontaneous
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Torsion axions, Condensates & Inflation

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Primordial string Universe Gravitational Waves (GW): e.g. from collapse of (rotating) primordial black holes (PBH) sourced by Torsion-induced axion field $b(x)$

$$\square b \propto R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \tilde{R}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}$$

can induce **condensates** of gravitational Chern-Simons terms $\langle R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \tilde{R}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \rangle$

Compute using weak (perturbative)
Quantum gravity techniques
With GW perturbation modes

Condensates lead to **linear axion** potentials

$$V(b) \ni b(x) \langle R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \tilde{R}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \rangle$$

Lyth, Rodriguez, Qiumbay
Alexander, Peskin, Sheikh-Jabbari
Dorlis, Vlachos, NEM [2403.09005](#) [gr-qc]

(cf. string/brane theory linear axion monodromy potentials:
Silverstein, Mc Allister, Westphal, ..., but here different origin)

Linear axion potential and Running Vacuum Model (RVM) Inflation

Dynamical System approach to inflation

$$3H^2 = \kappa^2 \left(\frac{\dot{b}^2}{2} + V(b) \right)$$

$$2\dot{H} + 3H^2 = -\kappa^2 \left(\frac{\dot{b}^2}{2} - V(b) \right)$$

$$\ddot{b} + 3H\dot{b} + V_{,b} = 0$$



$$x' = -\frac{3}{2} \left[2x - x^3 + x(y^2 - 1) - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}} \lambda y^2 \right]$$

$$y' = -\frac{3}{2} y \left[-x^2 + y^2 - 1 + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3}} \lambda x \right]$$

$$\lambda' = -\sqrt{6} (\Gamma - 1) \lambda^2 x$$

$$\lambda = -\frac{V_{,b}}{\kappa V} \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma = \frac{V V_{,bb}}{V_{,b}^2}$$

$$V_{,b} \equiv \frac{\delta V}{\delta b}$$

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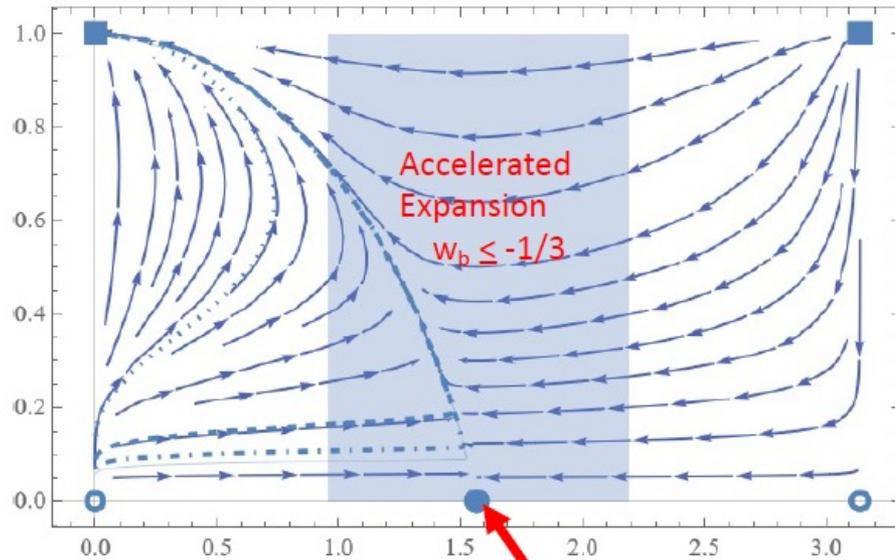
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Phase Portait for the Linear Potential



$\zeta - \varphi$ plane.

Inflation
(exponential
Expansion $w_b = -1$)

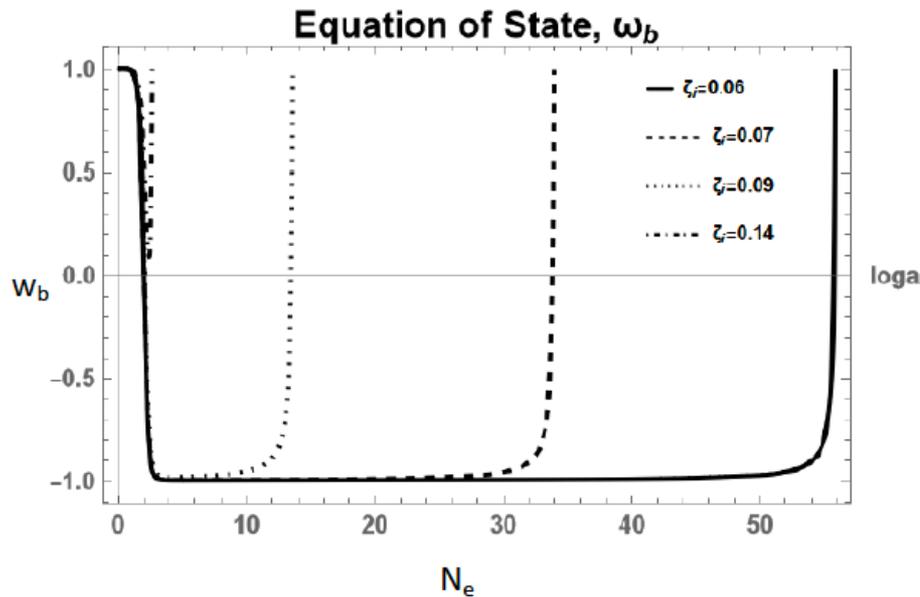
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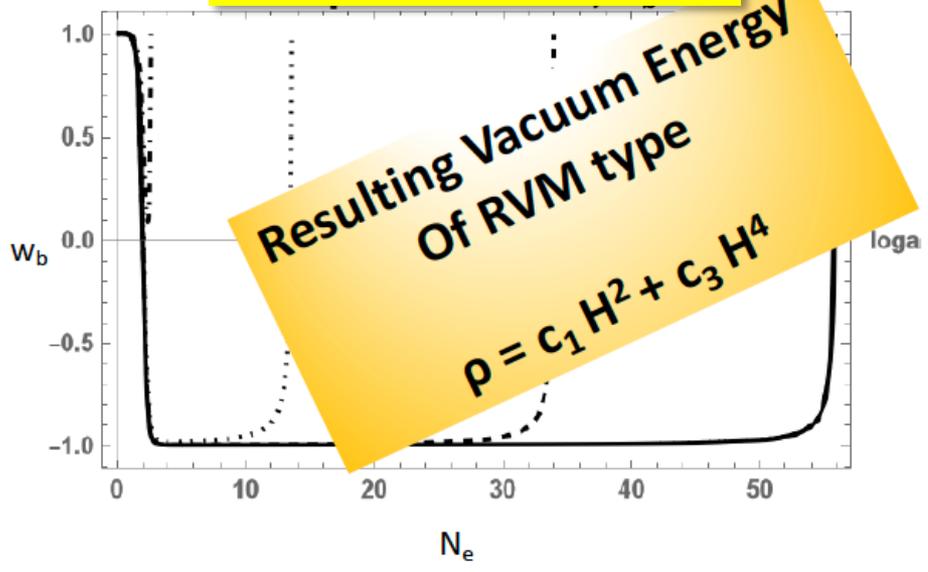
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talk

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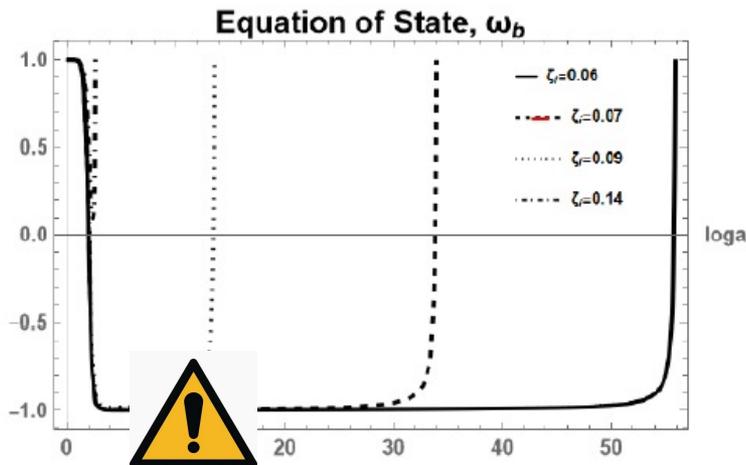
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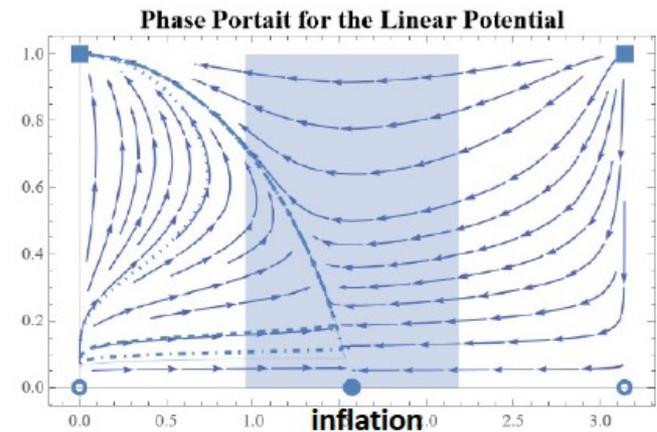
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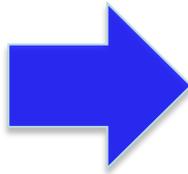
They induce imaginary parts in the Hamiltonian of GW perturbations

$$\text{Im}(\mathcal{H}) = \int d^3x \frac{1}{2} A b \text{Im} \left(\langle R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \tilde{R}^{\nu\mu\rho\sigma} \rangle \right) \approx V_{dS}^{(3)} \frac{8bA^2\dot{b}\mu^7}{7M_{\text{Pl}}^4 \pi^2}$$

$V_{dS}^{(3)}$ denotes the de Sitter 3-volume $V_{dS}^{(3)} T^E = \frac{24\pi^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \Lambda}$, $\Lambda \approx 3H_I^2$ $T^E = \text{Euclidean time}$

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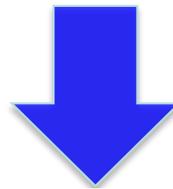
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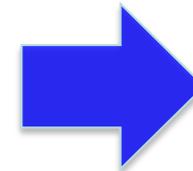
To ensure

$$T^E \sim (50 - 60)H_I^{-1}$$

(phenomenologically consistent
inflation duration)



$$H_I \tau \sim \frac{7H_I^2 M_{\text{Pl}}^6}{64bA^2 \dot{b}M_s^7} (H_I T^E) \sim 10^{-2} \left(\frac{M_{\text{Pl}}}{M_s}\right)^3 \cdot (H_I T^E)$$



$$\frac{M_s}{M_{\text{Pl}}} \lesssim 0.215$$

Restriction on the string scale



The rate of KR axion background during Inflation

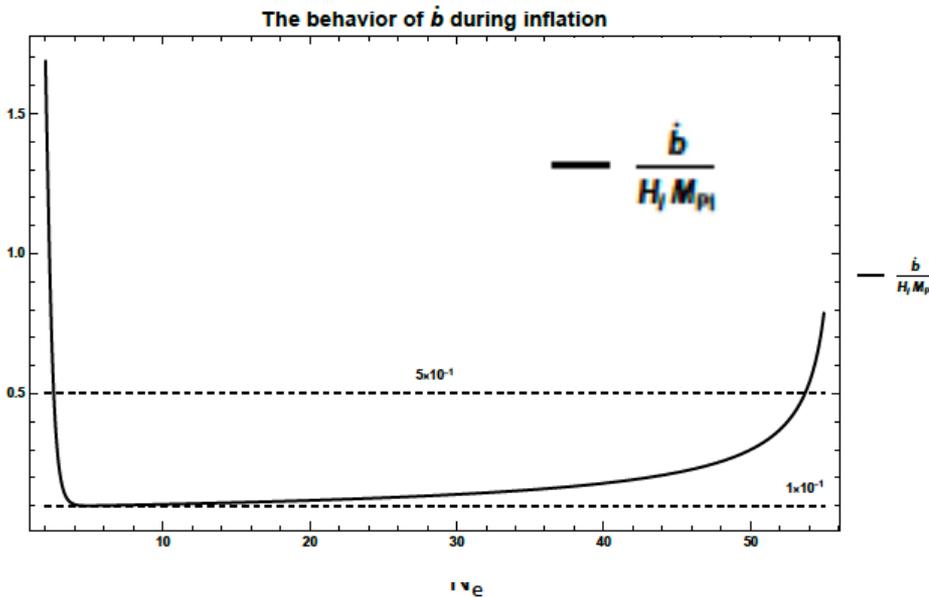
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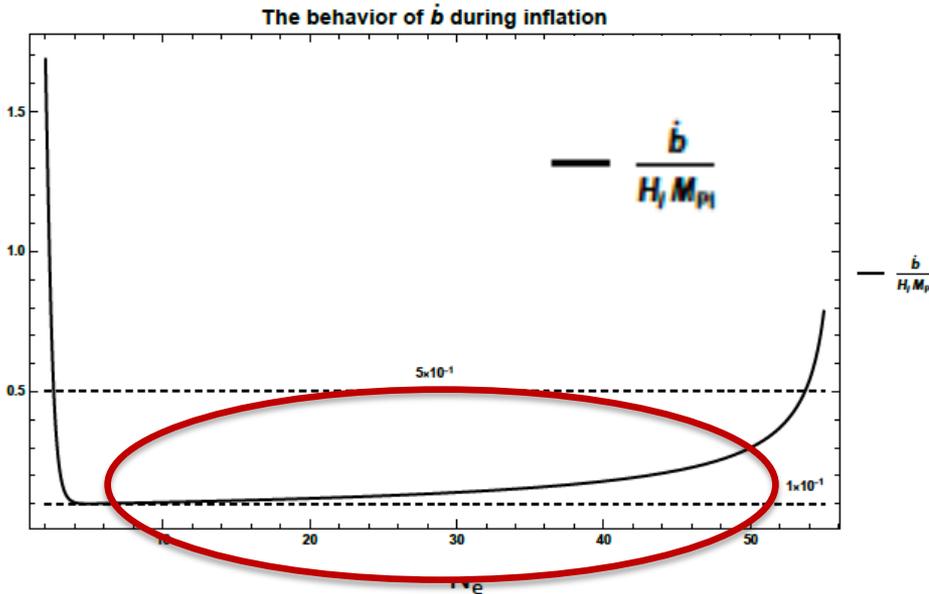
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Hence

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Parametrisation

$$\varepsilon = \mathcal{O}(10^{-2})$$

**Spontaneous
LV solution
(constant spatial
components of H-torsion)**



@ end of
Inflationary
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Important for Leptogenesis @ radiation era

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by:

Chiral Fermionic Matter generation @ end of Inflation

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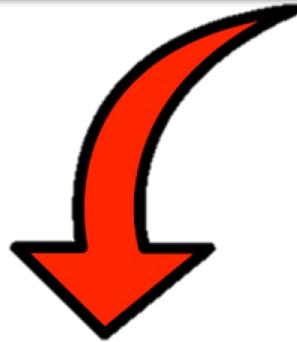
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sufficiently slowly varying during leptogenesis
(brief) epoch \rightarrow qualitatively similar to
approximately const. background

Bossingham, NEM,
Sarkar

Lorentz- & CPT-Violating

Leptogenesis →

→ Baryogenesis

in models with Massive
Right-handed Neutrinos

NEM, Sarkar,
+ de Cesare, Bossingham

Early Universe
 $T \gg T_{EW}$

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Heavy RHN interact with axial (approximately) constant background

with only temporal component $B_0 \neq 0$ $B_\mu = M_{Pl}^{-1} \dot{b} \delta_{\mu 0}$

STANDARD MODEL EXTENSION EFT

Kostelecky, Bluhm, Colladay,
Lehnert, Potting, Russell *et al.*

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}i\bar{\psi}\Gamma^\nu\partial_\nu\psi - \bar{\psi}M\psi,$$

Lorentz & CPT Violation



$$M \equiv m + a_\mu \gamma^\mu + b_\mu \gamma_5 \gamma^\mu + \frac{1}{2}H^{\mu\nu} \sigma_{\mu\nu}$$



Spontaneous Violation of Lorentz Symmetry
(LV coefficients are v.e.v. of tensor-valued field quantities)
 $B_0 \approx$ constant is H-torsion background in our model

CPT Violation



de Cesare, NEM, Sarkar
Eur.Phys.J. C75, 514 (2015)

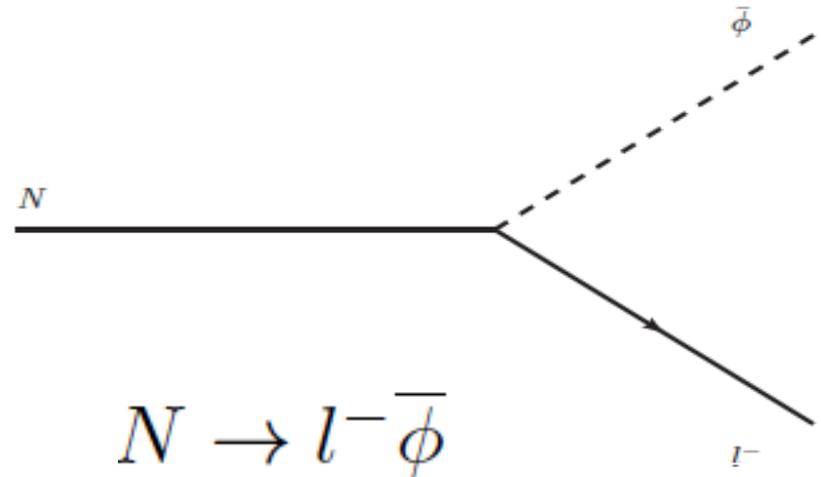
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Produce Lepton asymmetry

Lepton number & CP Violations
@ tree-level due to
Lorentz/CPTV Background



$$N \rightarrow l^+ \phi$$

$$N \rightarrow l^- \bar{\phi}$$

$$\Gamma_1 = \sum_k \frac{|Y_k|^2}{32\pi^2} \frac{m^2}{\Omega} \frac{\Omega + B_0}{\Omega - B_0} \neq \Gamma_2 = \sum_k \frac{|Y_k|^2}{32\pi^2} \frac{m^2}{\Omega} \frac{\Omega - B_0}{\Omega + B_0} \quad \text{CPV \& LV}$$

$B_0 \neq 0$

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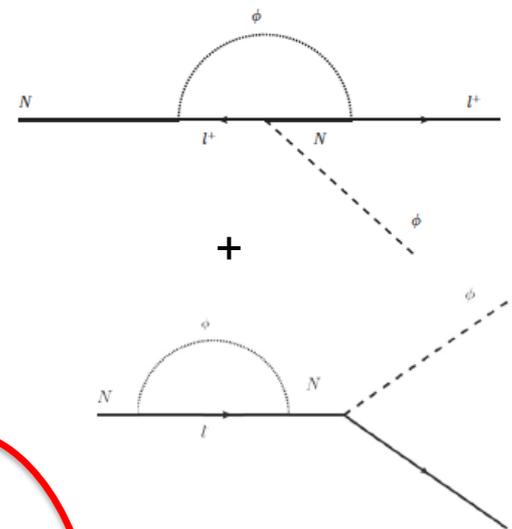
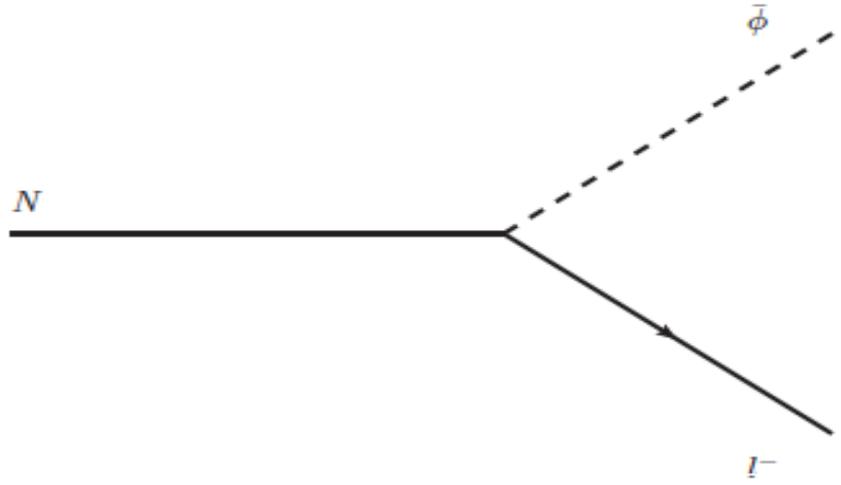


Lepton number & CP Violations @ tree-level
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Contrast with one-loop conventional CPV Leptogenesis (in absence of H-torsion)



Fukugita, Yanagida,

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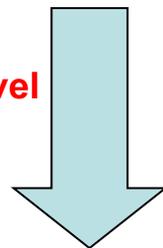
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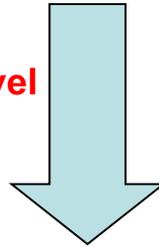
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consistent with :
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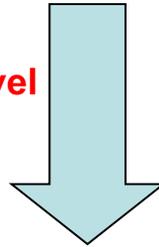
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**This Leptogenesis scenario
 can be embedded/extend
 existing scenarios of Leptogenesis**
 (Pilaftsis, Deppisch, Underwood, ...)

Also can be accommodated within the vMSM
 (Shaposhnikov, Asaka, Blanchet, Canetti, Drewes,
 Gorbunov, Laine, Boyarski, Ruchaiskiy, Tkachev...)

$$\sim 1\text{MeV}$$

$$I'_D \simeq m \sim 100 \text{ TeV}$$

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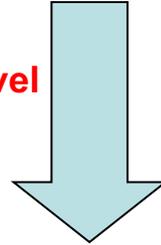
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$$\frac{B_0}{m} \simeq 10^{-8}$$

Produce Lepton asymmetry

Equilibrated electroweak
 B+L violating sphaleron interactions

B-L conserved

Environmental
 Conditions Dependent

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 In the Universe (BAU)

Fukugita, Yanagida,

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Early Universe
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CPT Violation



Constant $B^0 \neq 0$
 background

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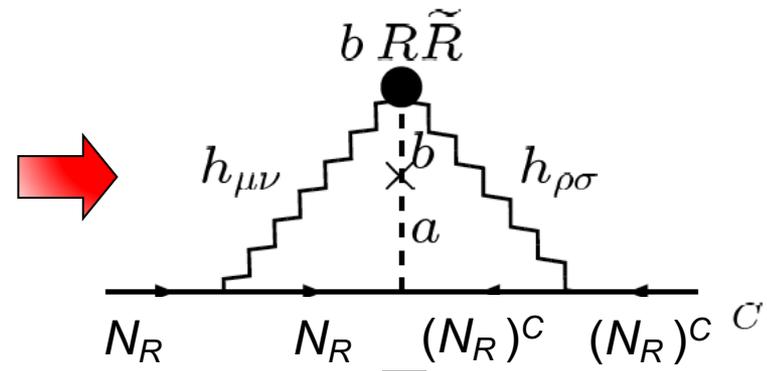
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Radiatively-induced RHN mass

6. The Whole:

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Cosmological
Evolution

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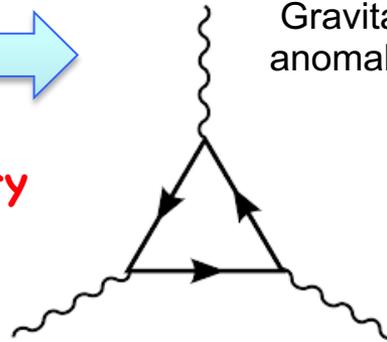
Primordial
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Gravitational
anomaly (GA)



**From a pre-inflationary
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**chiral matter
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forward direction



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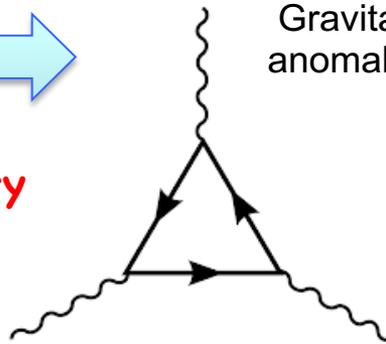
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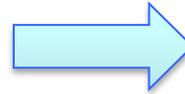
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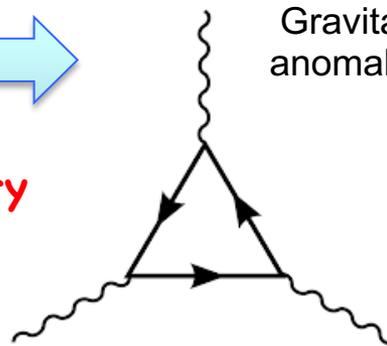
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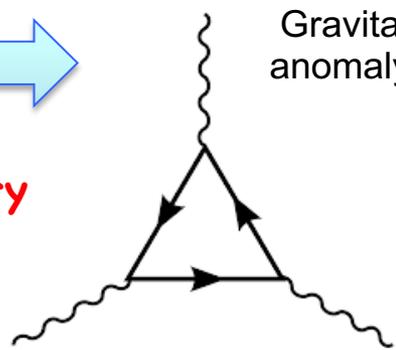
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Inflation pheno

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$$= 1.7 \times 10^{-2} M_{\text{Pl}}$$

$$\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \sim 218 \text{ MeV}$$

@ QCD era

$$S_b^{\text{eff}} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu b \partial^\mu b - \tilde{f}_b^{-1} \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi} b(x) G_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{G}^{a\mu\nu} \right]$$

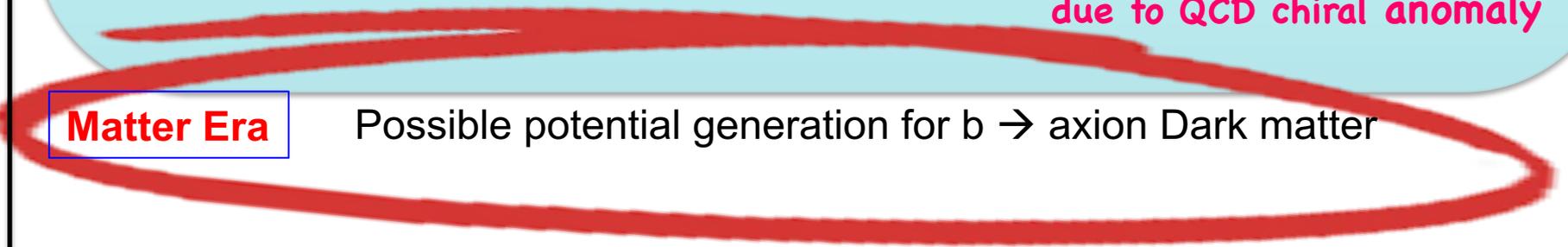
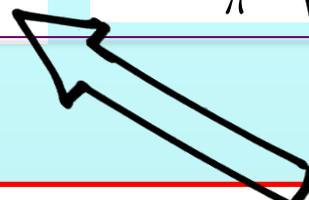
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Instanton-effects-induced
KR-axion potential and mass
due to QCD chiral anomaly

Matter Era

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forward direction



Axion Dark Matter - Adams, C.B. et al - arXiv:2203.14923

forward direction

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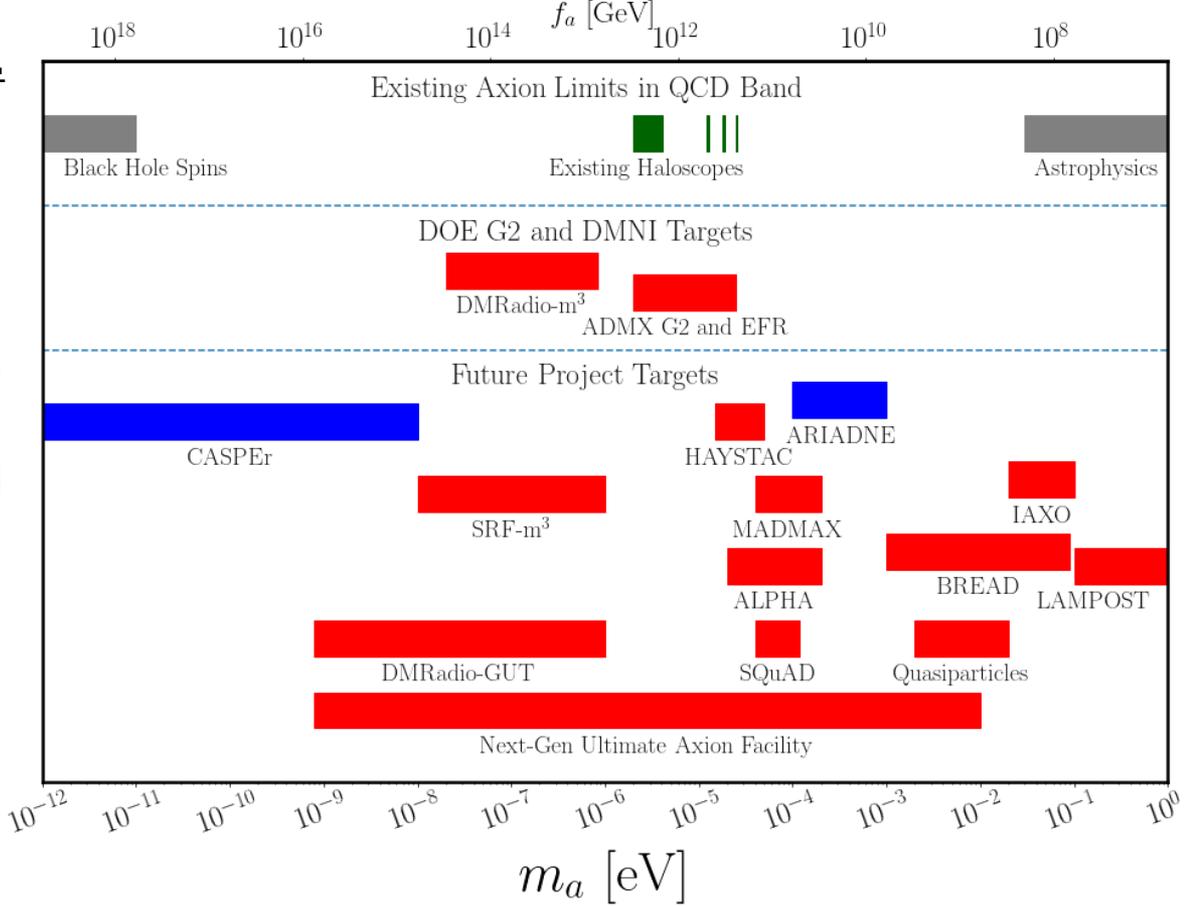
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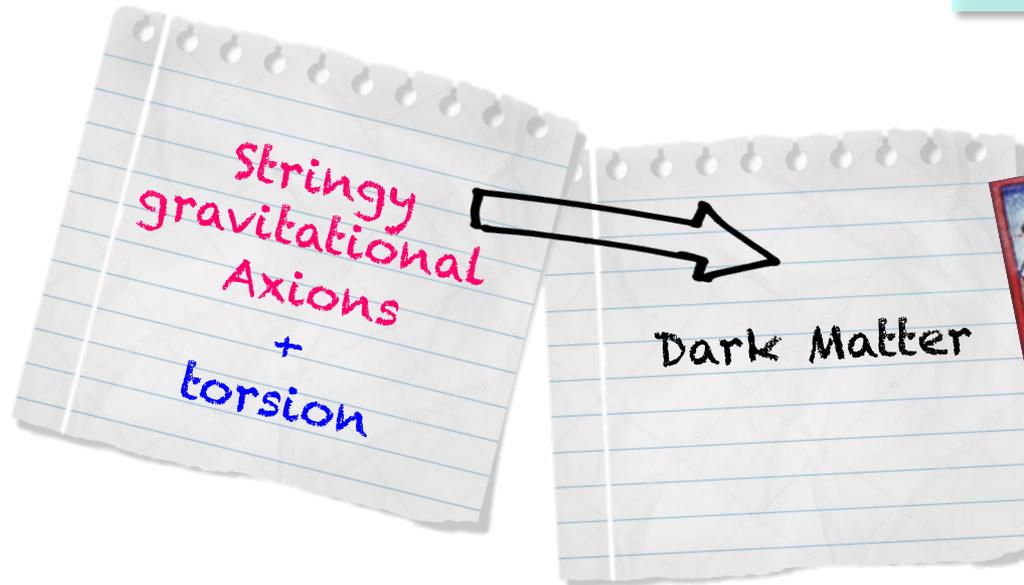


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KR (gravitational or model-independent) axions connected to "torsion" in string theory → Geometrical origin of Dark Matter

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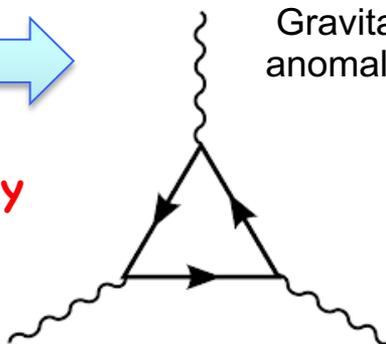
OUTLOOK: Incorporate other model-dependent stringy axions \rightarrow Axiverse
 Interesting Cosmology (eg Marsh 2015)
 could be ultralight \rightarrow AION etc

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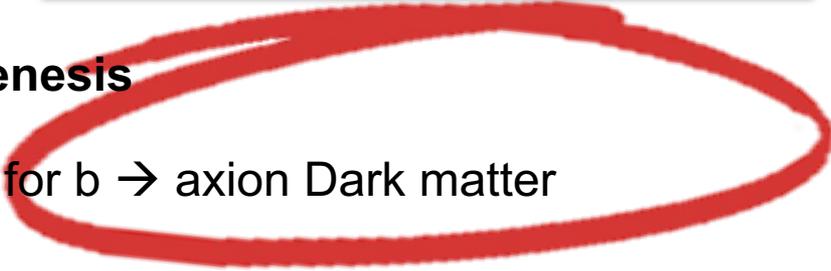
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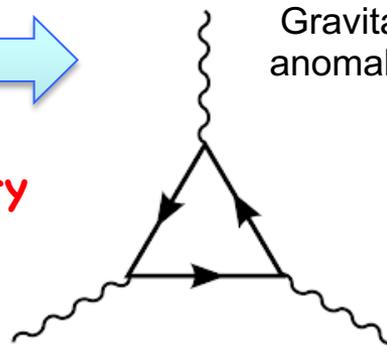


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Modern de-Sitter Era

GA resurfacing

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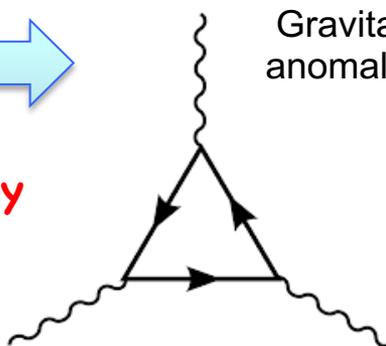
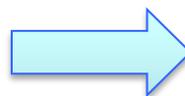
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$$B_0 \propto \dot{b} \propto T^3 + \text{subleading } (\sim T^2) \text{ chiral U(1) anomaly terms}$$

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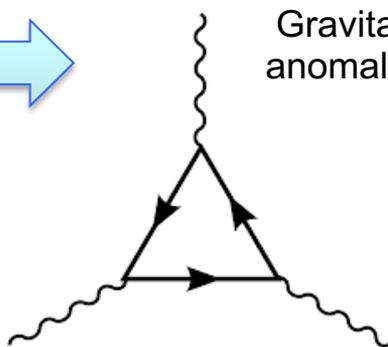
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Need to understand Modern Era better

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Gravitational

Distinguishing feature from Λ CDM
Alleviate cosmological data tensions

Radiation

$$\text{today } \rho_{\text{RVM}}(H) = 3M_{\text{Pl}}^4 \left(c_0 + \nu \left(\frac{H_0}{M_{\text{Pl}}} \right)^2 \right)$$

B_{CMB}

Lepton Right-handed

$$\nu = \mathcal{O}(10^{-3})$$

N_{eff}

B-L

$$\frac{3}{\kappa^2} c_0 \simeq 10^{-122} M_{\text{Pl}}^4$$

Matter

Gómez-Valent Solà

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RVM-type Running Dark Energy

J. Solà talk

forward direction

The Cosmic Evolution

Dark Energy
("running vacuum model type")

current epoch

Stringy gravitational
Axions
+ torsion

Gravitational anomalies

Primordial gravitational waves

Dark Matter

Lorentz-Violating
Leptogenesis
&
matter-antimatter
Asymmetry

Dynamical Inflation
without external inflatons

Spontaneous Lorentz Violation
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