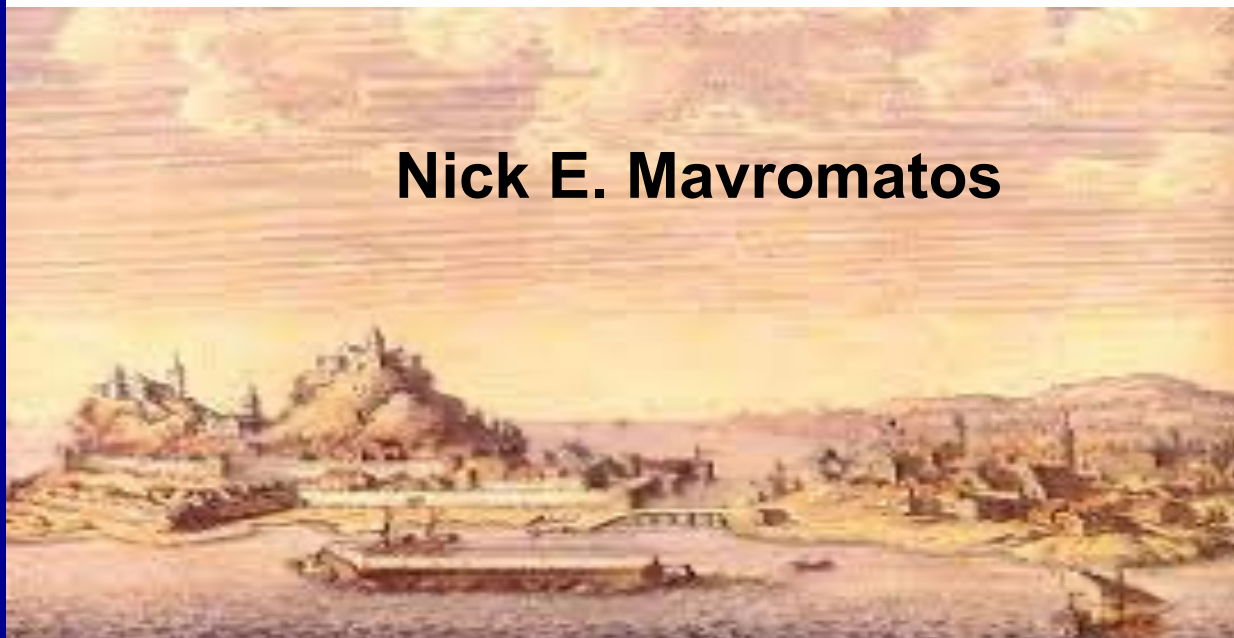


Torsion-induced Axions in String Theory, Quantum Gravity & the Cosmological Tensions



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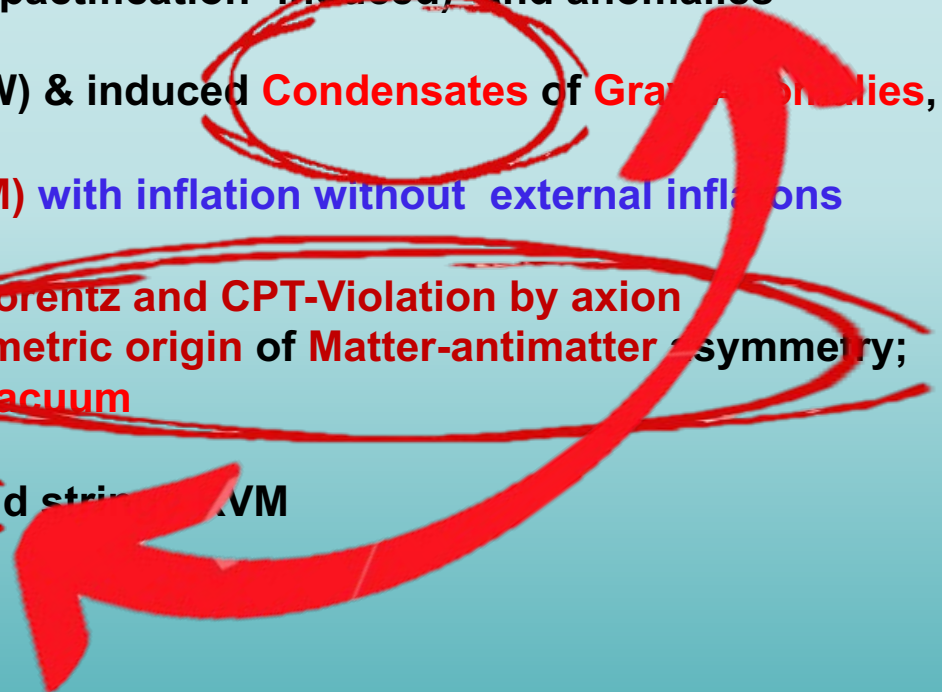
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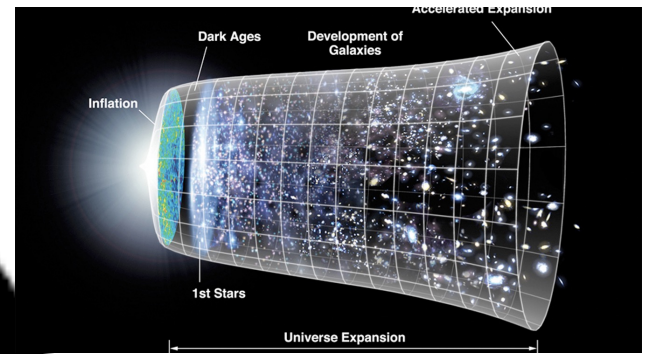
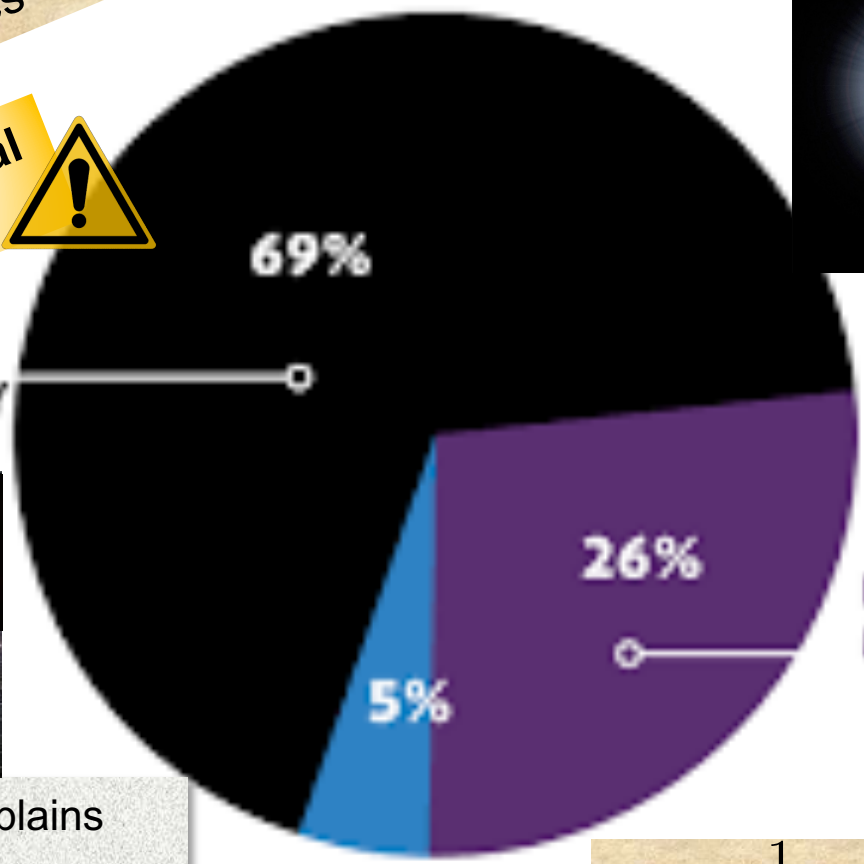
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Simplest model based on **ΛCDM** works **OK** for **large** scales

Are there Primordial Black Holes ?



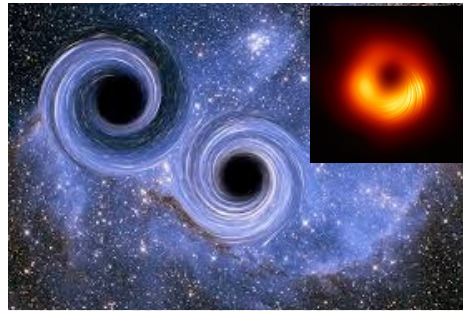
ENERGY DISTRIBUTION OF THE UNIVERSE



+ SnIa, BaO, Lensing



29/6/23
15 year data Release.
Origin of GW background?



Also **Einstein's GR** explains **sufficiently well** **Black-Hole Mergers + GW** (since 2015 LIGO), **Black-Hole 'photographs'** (EHT),...

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu} R - g_{\mu\nu} \Lambda = 8\pi G T_{\mu\nu}$$

$T_{\mu\nu} \ni$ Cold Dark Matter

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But...

Need to go
Beyond...

Are there
Primordial
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(of DM type?)

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What still we do not know/**did not**
observe:

Nature of Dark Energy

Nature of Dark matter

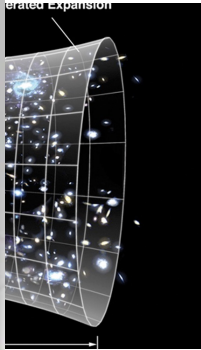
Primordial Gravitational Waves

(through detection of B-mode
polarisation

in CMB from very early Universe)

Microscopic models of Inflation

(Is it due to fundamental inflatons or
dynamical e.g. Starobinsky type? ...)



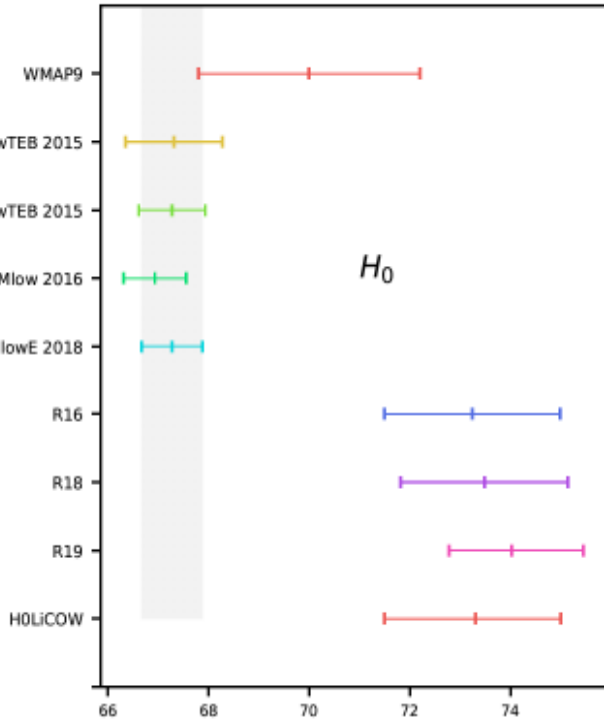
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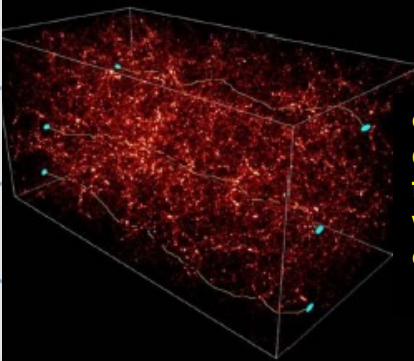
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Λ CDM appears to be in tension with local measurements of present-era H_0 & also galaxy-growth data ?

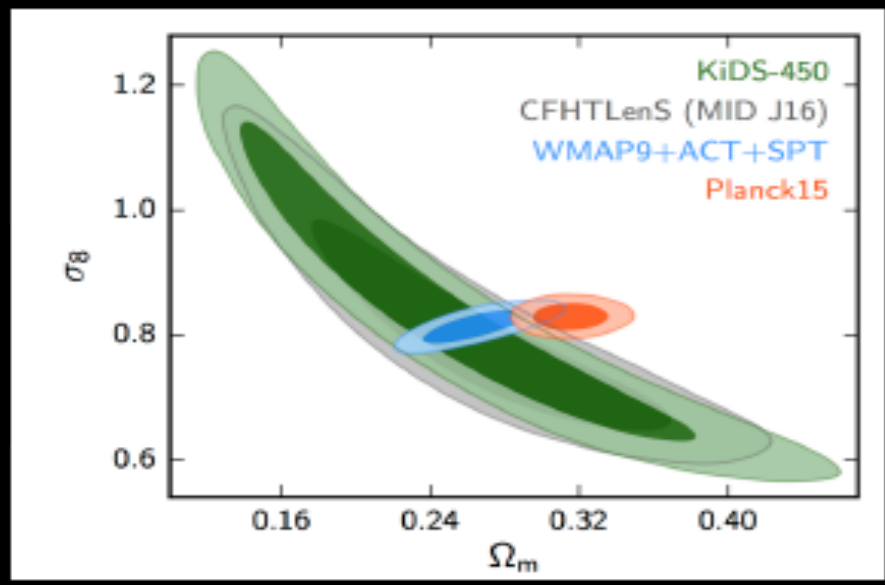


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σ_8 = current matter density rms fluctuations within spheres of radius $8h^{-1}$ ($h = H_0/100$ = reduced Hubble constant)

$$S_8 \equiv \sigma_8 \sqrt{\Omega_m / 0.3}$$



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MATTER

ANTI-MATTER



Microscopic
understanding of
Matter/Antimatter
asymmetry in the
Universe?

The Baryon Asymmetry

$$\frac{n_B - \bar{n}_B}{n_B + \bar{n}_B} \sim \frac{n_B - \bar{n}_B}{s} = (8.4 - 8.9) \times 10^{-11} \quad T > 1 \text{ GeV}$$

$s = \text{entropy density}$
of Universe

Attempts at Explanation of Baryon Asymmetry - Sakharov 's Conditions

Baryon number violation

C-violation

and CP violation



Departure from thermodynamic equilibrium (non-stationary system)

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What if CPTV geometries
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Geometric origin of
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thermodynamic
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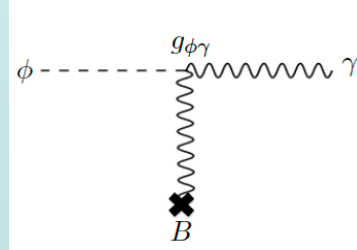
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Primakoff-process:

Axion-photon conversion in the presence of magnetic field



$$a \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$$

$$\propto \frac{1}{f_a} a(x) \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}$$

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Shift symmetry breaks to
Periodicity $a/f_a \rightarrow a/f_a + 2\pi$

\rightarrow potential for axions a

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ARE AXIONS DARK MATTER?

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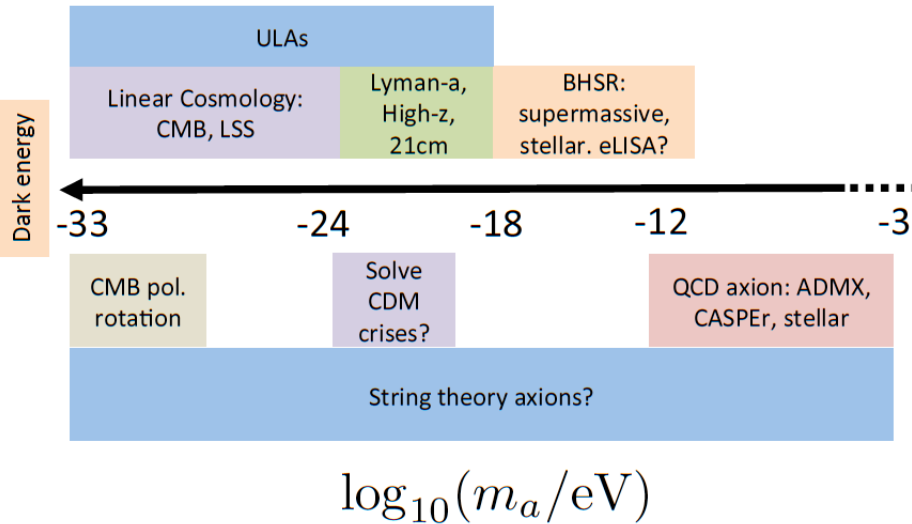
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Cosmological Constraints & probes of axion-like-particles (ALP)

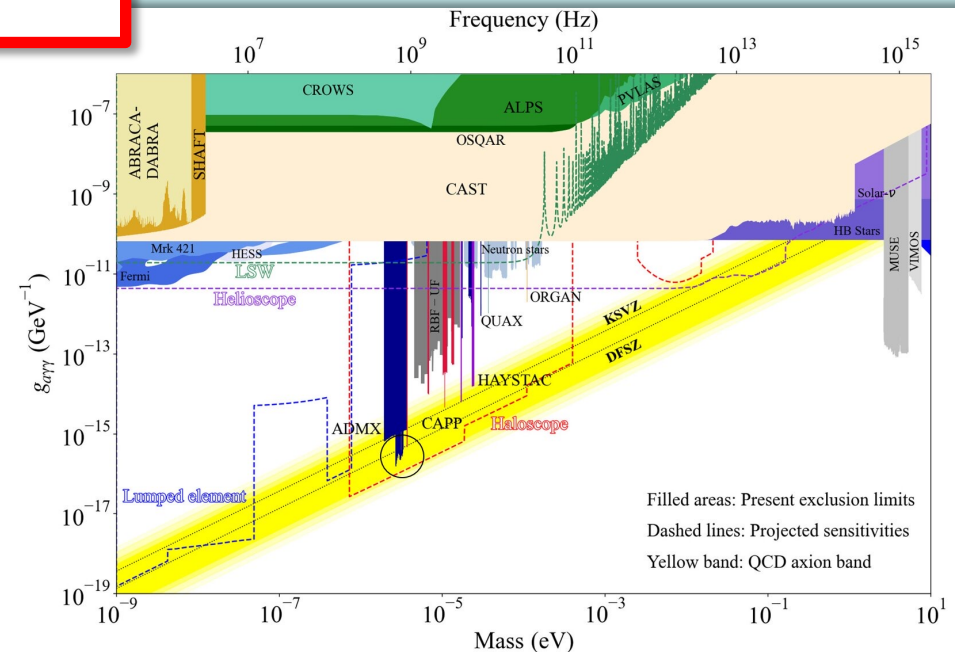
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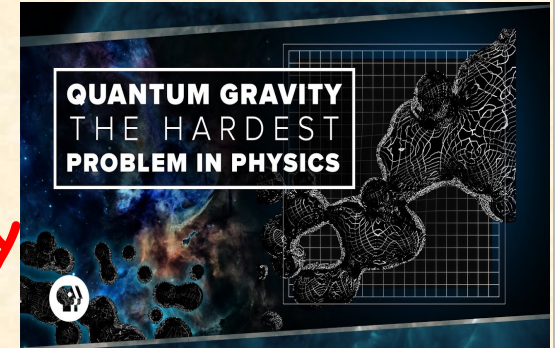
Range of ALPs mass
in such a case?

geometric **torsion** interpretation of **axion Dark matter**

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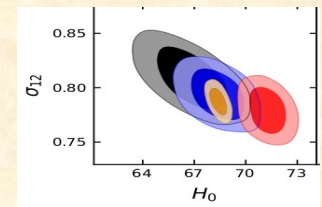
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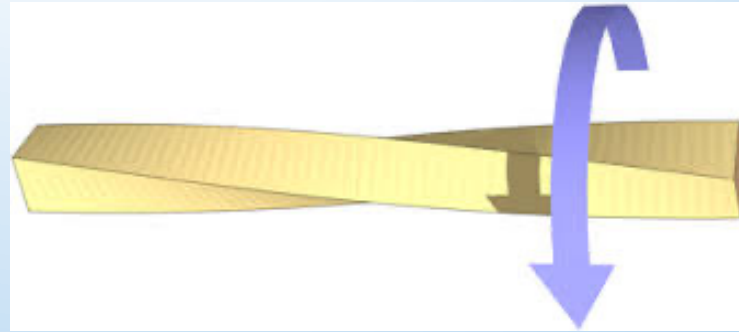
Effects of QG in alleviating cosmological tensions today!

2. Geometrical origin of axion Dark matter



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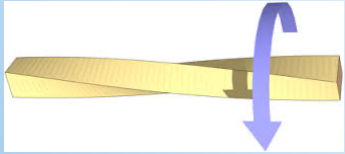
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Torsion in spacetime?

	Einstein-Cartan	
	only curvature	curvature and torsion
or teleparallel gravity (only torsion)		

Example of Einstein-Cartan theory : QED with Torsion



$$g_{\mu\nu} = e^a{}_{\mu} \eta_{ab} e^b{}_{\nu}$$

vielbein

$$T^a = de^a + \bar{\omega}_b^a \wedge e^b$$

Torsion 2-form

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Generalised curvature 2-form

Contorted
Spin connection

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contorsion

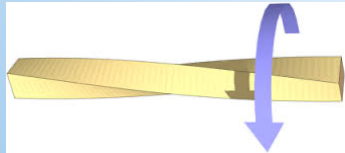
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Metricity postulate Breaks down if torsion present

$$\bar{\nabla}_{\rho} g_{\mu\nu} \neq 0$$

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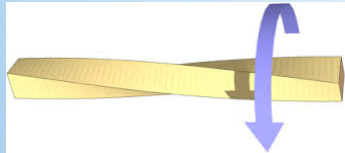
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Torsion-free

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fermions

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contorsion

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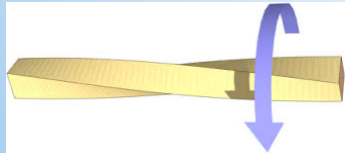
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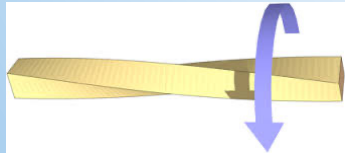
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$$T = (1/3!)T_{abc}e^a \wedge e^b \wedge e^c$$

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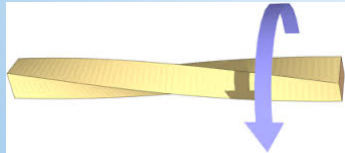
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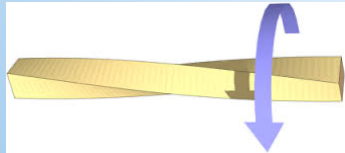
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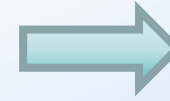
Include Scalar-Curvature terms

$$S_G + S_\psi \ni \int \left[\frac{3}{4\kappa^2} S \wedge * S - \frac{3}{4} S \wedge * j^5 \right]$$

Torsion & Axion-like d.o.f.

Classical torsion equation of motion

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \kappa^2 j^5$$



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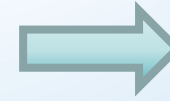


$$\int \mathcal{D}S \mathcal{D}\Phi \exp\left(i \int \left[\frac{3}{4\kappa^2} S \wedge * S - \frac{3}{4} S \wedge * j^5 + \Phi \mathbf{d} * S \right]\right)$$

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Repulsive four-fermion
Characteristic of
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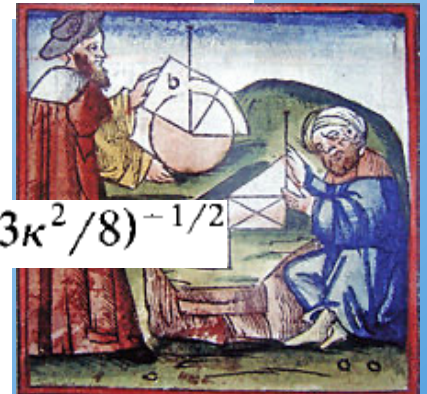
Non-Abelian Gauge group Instantons can lead to potential

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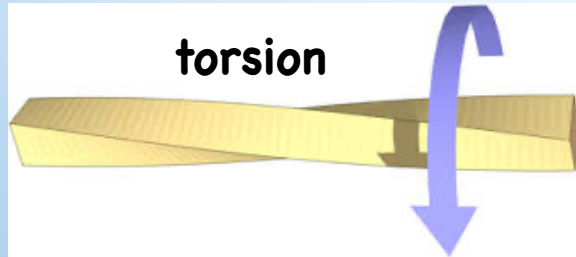
→ massive ($m_\phi = \Lambda_{\text{inst}}^2/f_\phi$) torsion-induced axion

GEOMETRIC ORIGIN OF AXION DM?

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To Recapitulate



duality
Bianchi
identity



Coupling
to chiral
anomalies

Non-perturbative
Axion mass



Geometric origin



3. String-Inspired Gravitational Theory with Torsion & Grav. Anomalies

3(i). Two kinds of Axions in String theories:

**(a) String-model independent
(`Torsion"- induced)**

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**(b) Compactification- induced
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Anomalies

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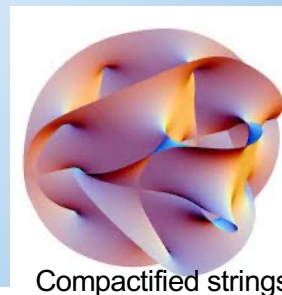
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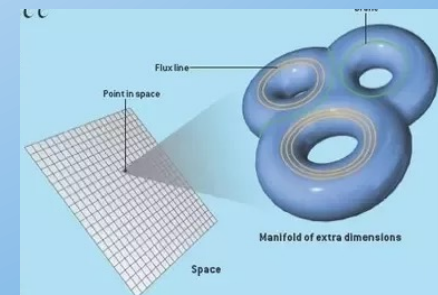
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Symmetry of string σ -model vertex operators

$$\int_{\Sigma^{(2)}} d^2\sigma B_{\mu\nu} \epsilon^{AB} \partial_A X^\mu \partial_B X^\nu, \quad A, B = 1, 2$$

world
sheet

Gross and Sloan, Metsaev and Tseytlin



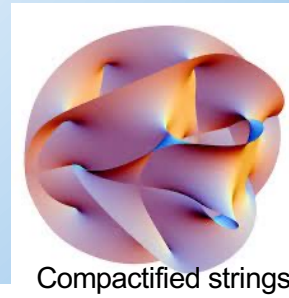
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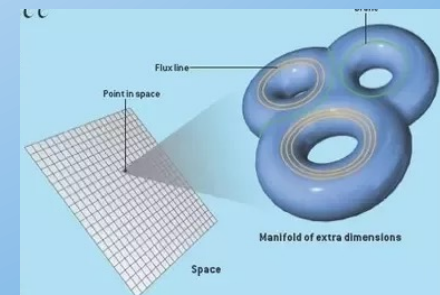
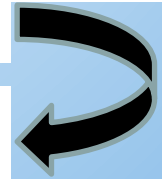


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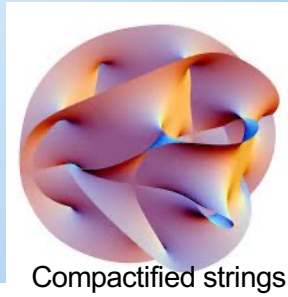
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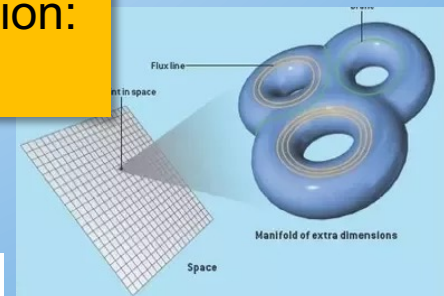
Chern-Simons terms

Gravitational

gauge

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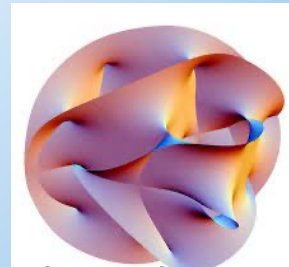
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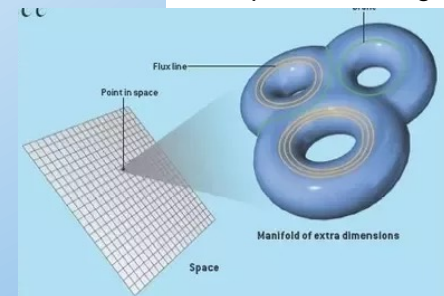
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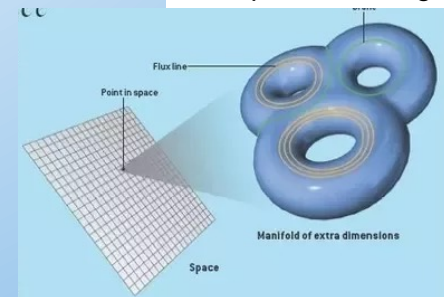
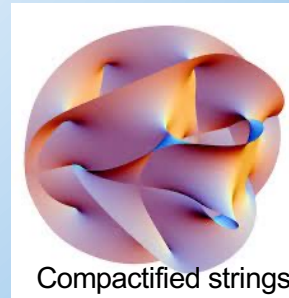
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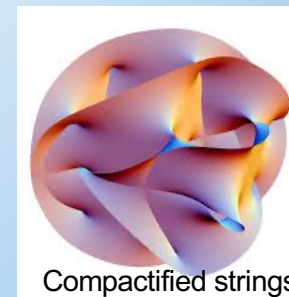
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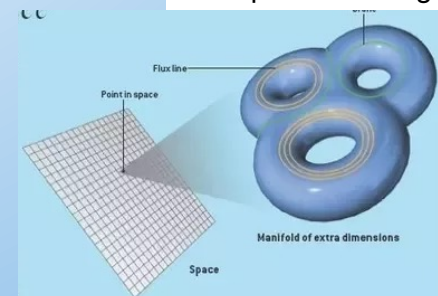
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NB: Torsion interpretation valid only up to & including $O(\alpha')$ effective action but dynamics of model-independent axion valid

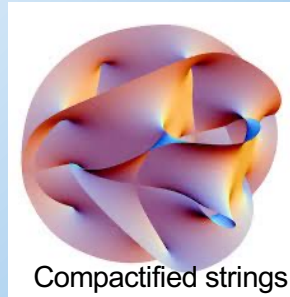
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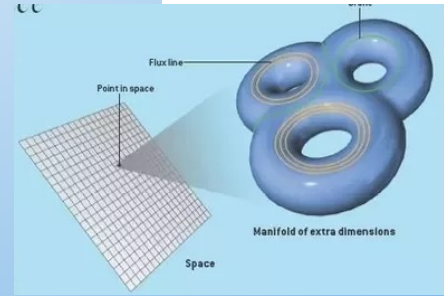


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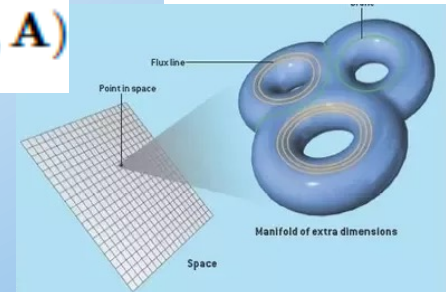
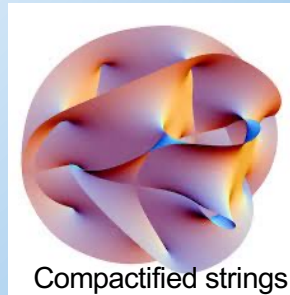
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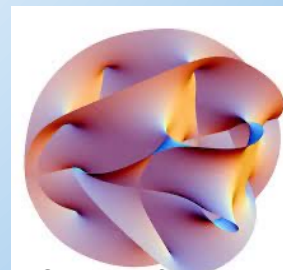
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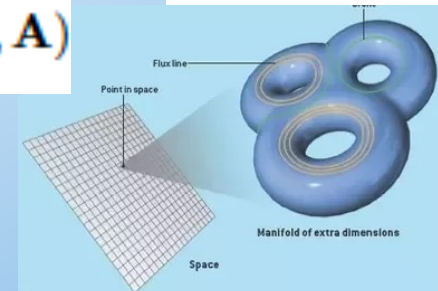
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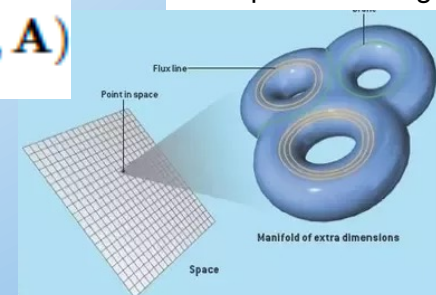
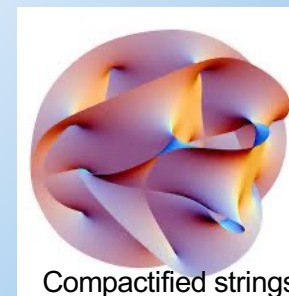
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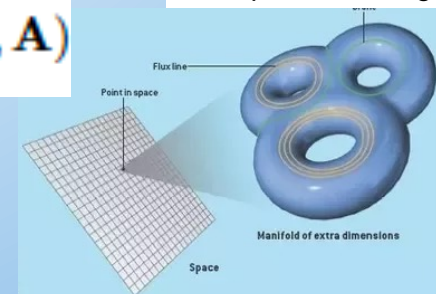
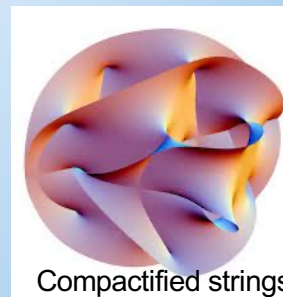
Massless gravitational (bosonic) string multiplet:

String theory: Green-Schwarz mechanism for anomaly cancellation:

$$H_{\mu\nu\rho} = \partial_{[\mu} B_{\nu\rho]} + (\alpha'/\kappa) (\Omega_{3L\mu\nu\rho} - \Omega_{3Y\mu\nu\rho})$$

Bianchi identity constraint

$$\varepsilon_{abc}{}^{\mu} \mathcal{H}^{abc}{}_{;\mu} = \frac{\alpha'}{32\kappa} \sqrt{-g} \left(R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \tilde{R}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} - F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} \right) \equiv \sqrt{-g} \mathcal{G}(\omega, \mathbf{A})$$



Massive axions through
Non-Abelian gauge group
Instantons

GEOMETRIC ORIGIN OF AXION DM

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Geometric origin of stringy axion DM



String-inspired gravitational theories with torsion and anomalies

**Model-dependent
AXIONS IN
STRINGS FROM
COMPACTIFICATION**

Svrcek-Witten

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axions

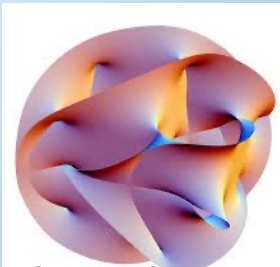
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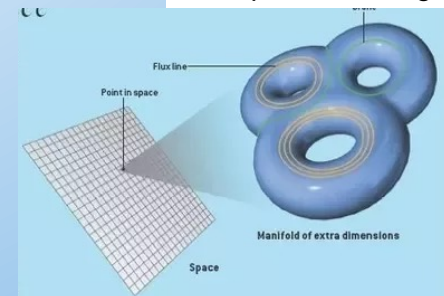
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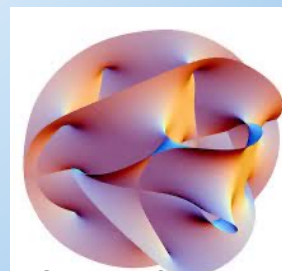
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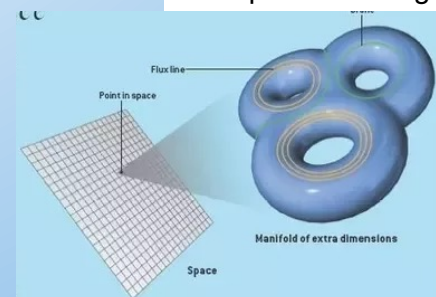
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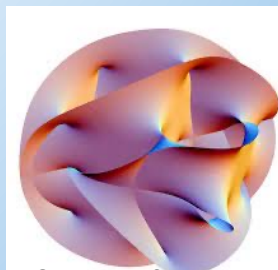
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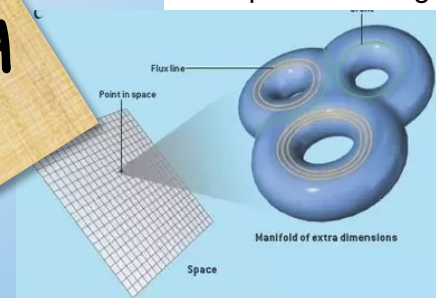
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Compactification Axions
depending
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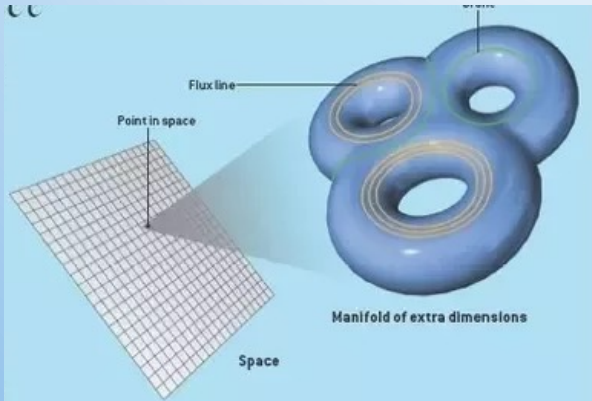
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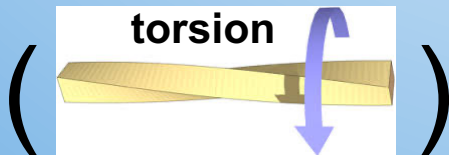
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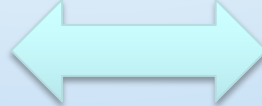
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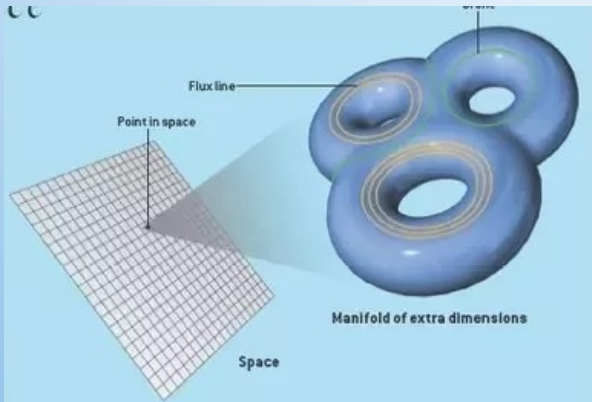
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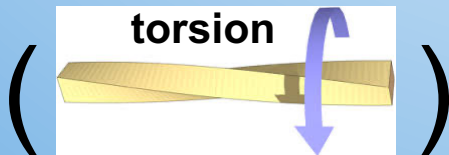
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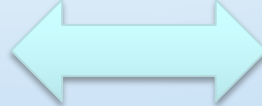
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All fermion species

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Vanishes for Friedmann-Lemaitre-Roberston-Walker backgrounds

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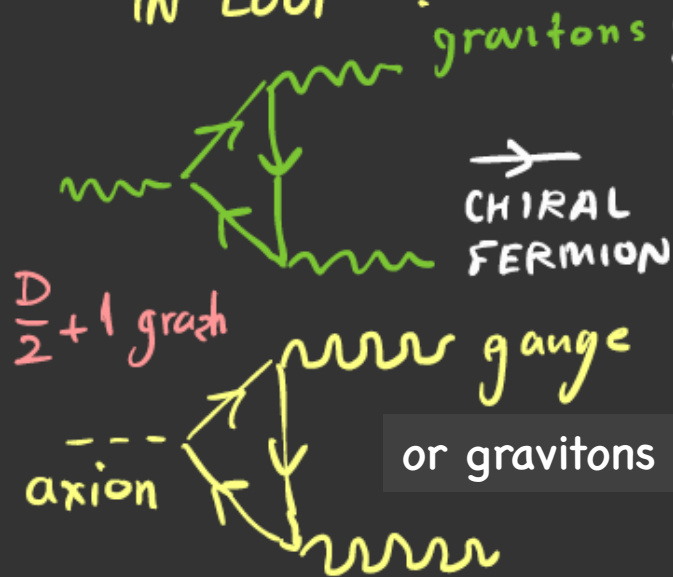


Non-trivial if chiral anomalies affect the conservation of axial current

NB: Anomalies:
(CHIRAL)

Classically conserved current
AXIAL FERMION CURRENT $J^{\mu 5}$
CEASES to be conserved @ a
quantum level

CHIRAL FERMIONS
IN LOOP:



$$\nabla_{\mu} J^{\mu 5} \propto c_1 R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \tilde{R}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} - F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}$$

$c_i \in \mathbb{R}$

$$J^{\mu 5} \equiv \bar{\Psi}_j \gamma^{\mu} \gamma^5 \Psi_j, \quad j = 1 \dots N$$

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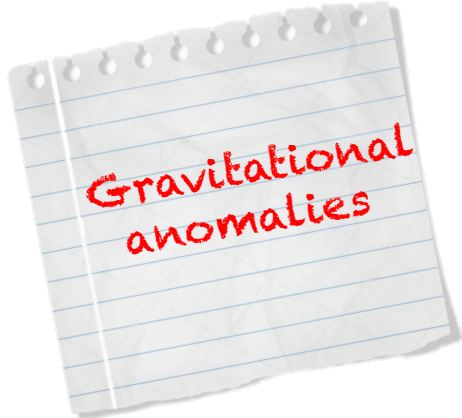
chiral fermion

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$\gamma^5 \Psi_j = \mp \Psi_j$
(LEFT OR RIGHT HANDED)

Gravitational Anomalies & Diffeomorphism Invariance



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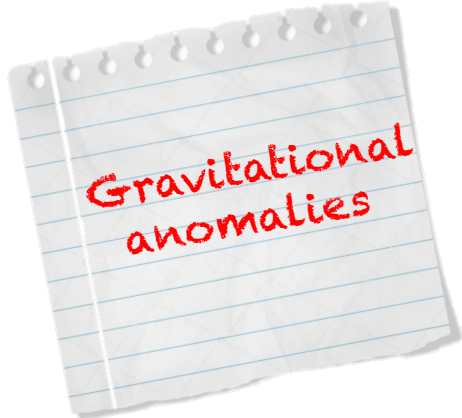
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Jackiw, Pi (2003)

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Diffeomorphism invariance breaking by gravitational anomalies?

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No problem with diffeo



Conserved Modified stress-energy tensor

3(ii). Primordial Gravitational Waves, Anomaly condensates

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Important Role
in early Universe
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**Role in Late Universe
(exit from inflation
Onwards) when chiral
fermions are generated**

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$$+ S_{\text{Dirac}}^{\text{Free}} + \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left(\frac{\kappa}{2} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \partial_\mu b \right) J^{5\mu} - \frac{3\kappa^2}{8} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} J_\mu^5 J^{5\mu} + \dots \Big] + \dots$$

or Majorana

$$J^{5\mu} = \bar{\psi}_j \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \psi_j$$

All fermion species

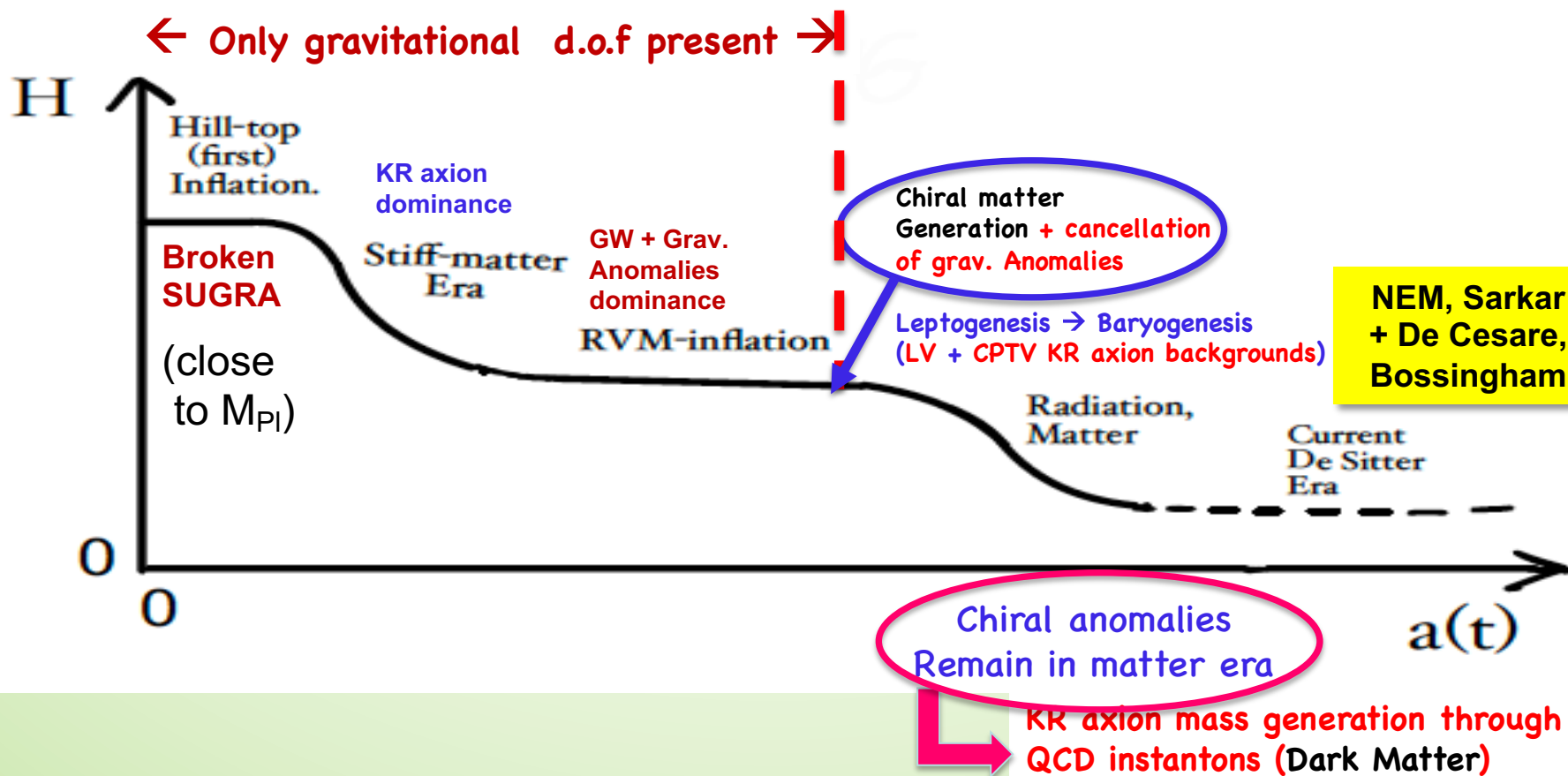
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Chiral-matter-induced
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may **cancel** their
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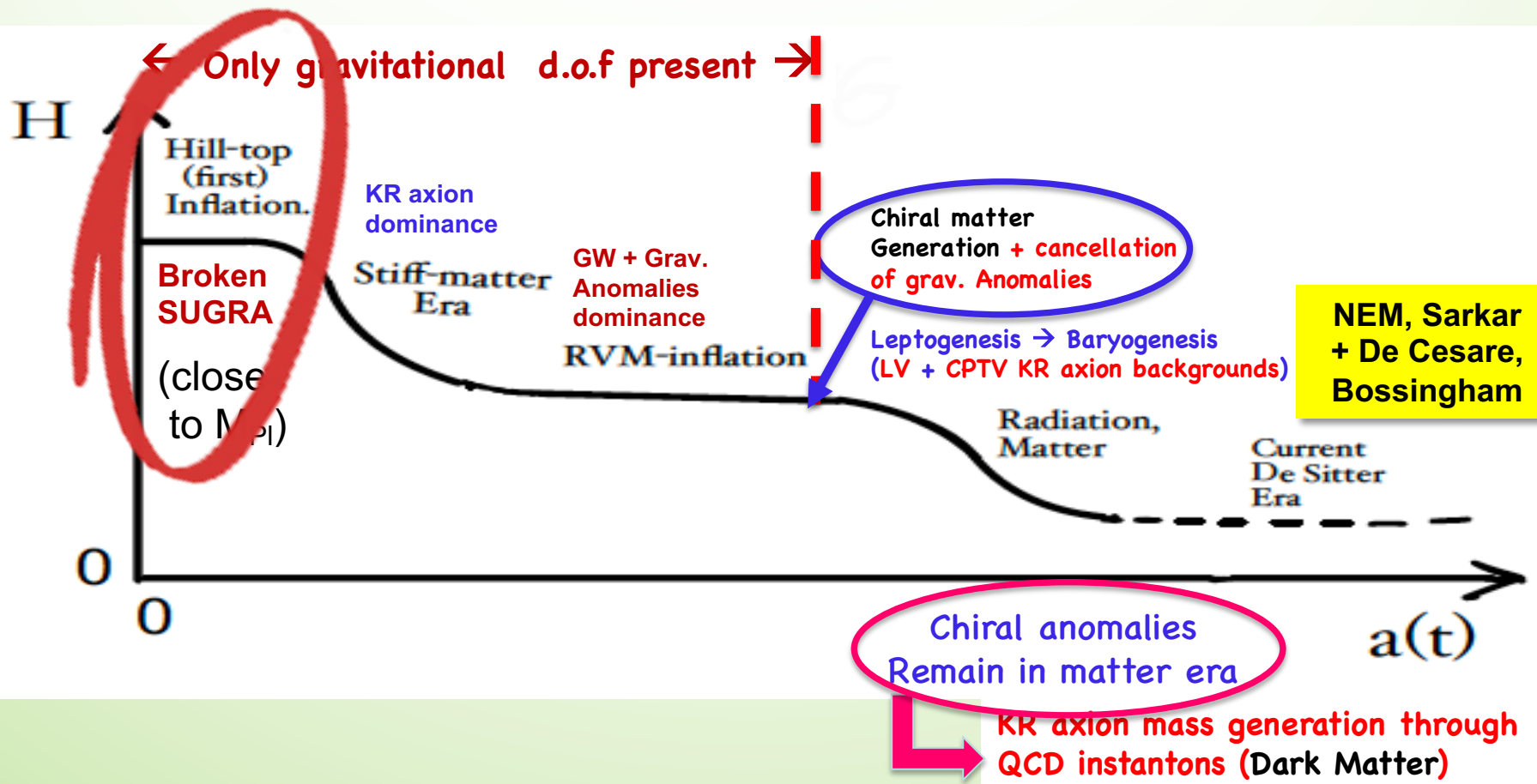
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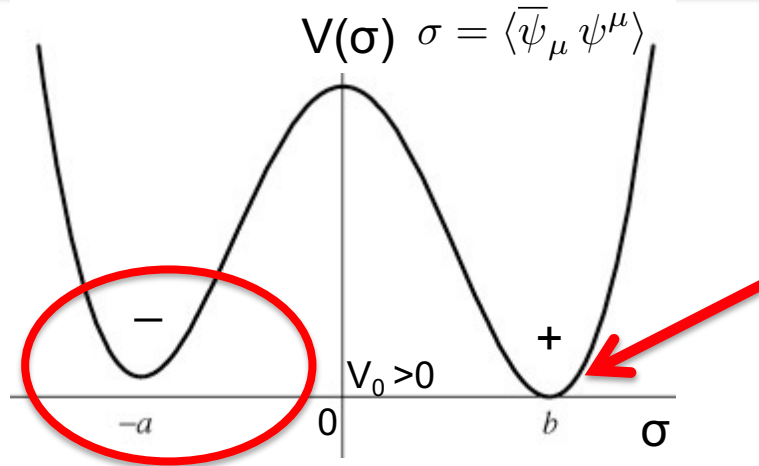
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Role of (Local)
Supersymmetry



SUGRA broken
gravitino
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Statistical bias (percolation) in
occupation probabilities of the +,- vacua

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Primordial Gravitational Waves

Potential Origins in pre-inflationary era?

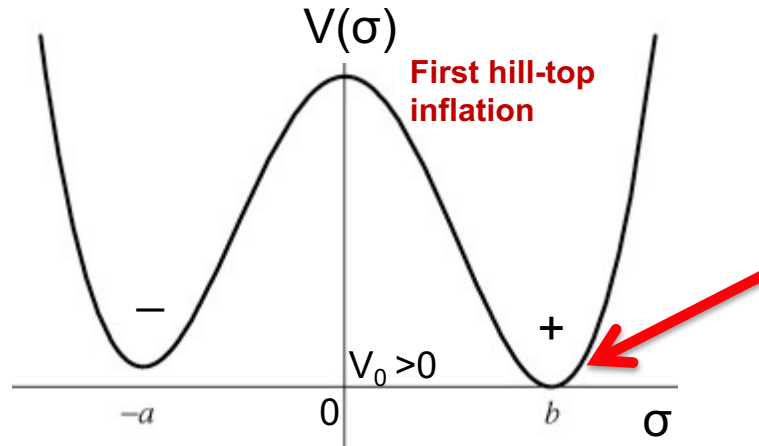
Collapse/collisions of Domain walls formed in theories with (approximate) discrete symmetry breaking, e.g. via bias in double-well potentials of some condensate (gravitino Ψ_μ or gaugino)

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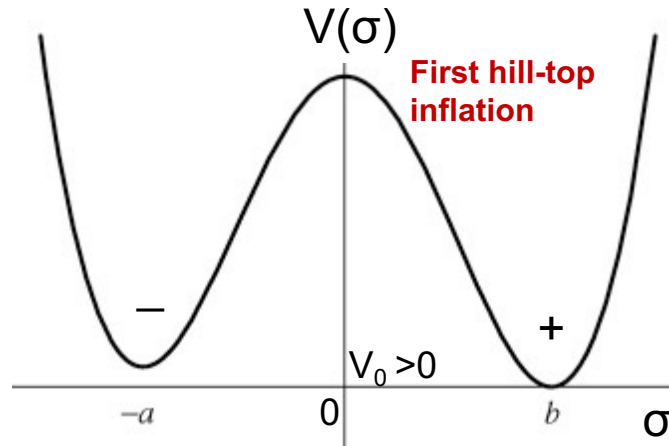
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H_I^{first}

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$$\text{Im}\Gamma_{\text{eff}}^{(1)E} \simeq \kappa^2 \pi^3 \left(0.4 \frac{\Lambda_0^2}{\Lambda} - 1.2 \Lambda_0 + 1.3 \Lambda \right)$$

Decay rate of false vacuum γ can be estimated **NEM, Solà**

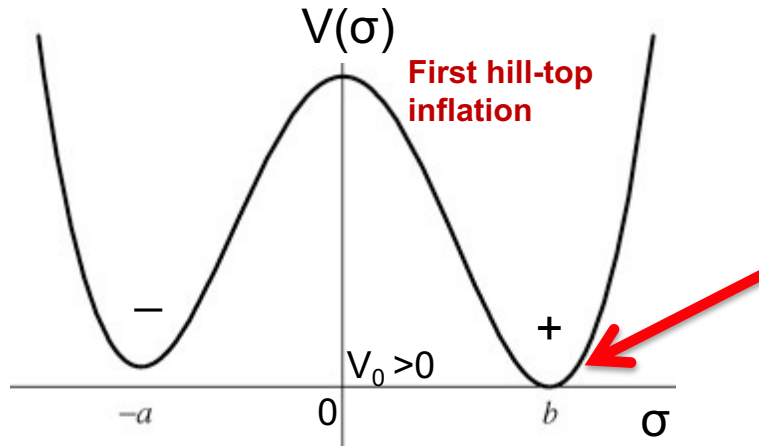
$$\gamma \simeq \pi (H_I^{\text{first}})^4 \left| \frac{\mu^2}{|\Lambda_0|} \right|^{-16\pi^2 (H_I^{\text{first}})^2 \kappa^2} \left. \begin{array}{l} \mu^2 \kappa^2 = \mathcal{O}(1) \\ \mu^{-2} |\Lambda_0| \sim \kappa^2 |\Lambda_0| \ll 1 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\kappa^2 (H_I^{\text{first}})^2 \ll 1, \quad |\Lambda_0| \ll \mu^2$$

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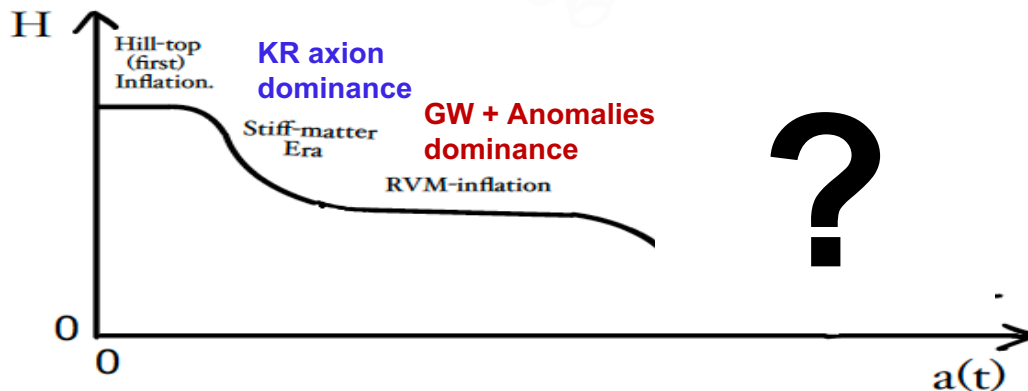
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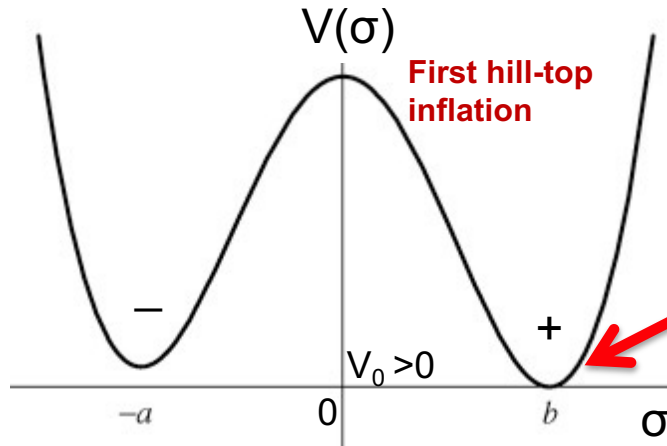


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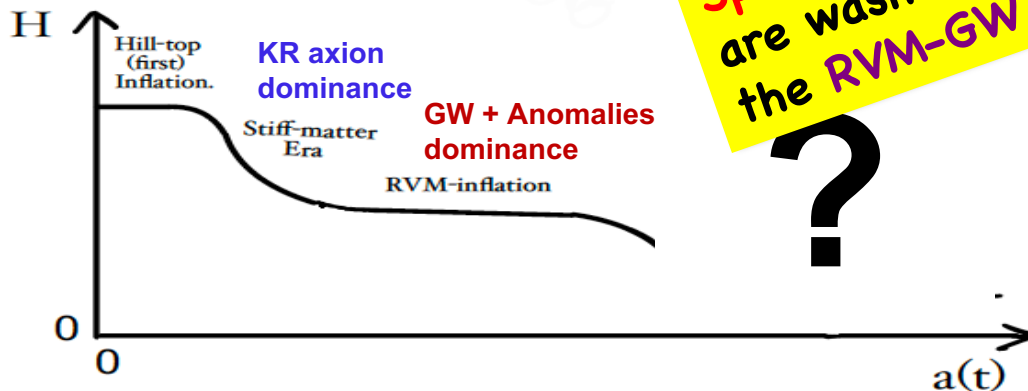


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First inflation ensures any
Spatial inhomogeneities
are washed out before
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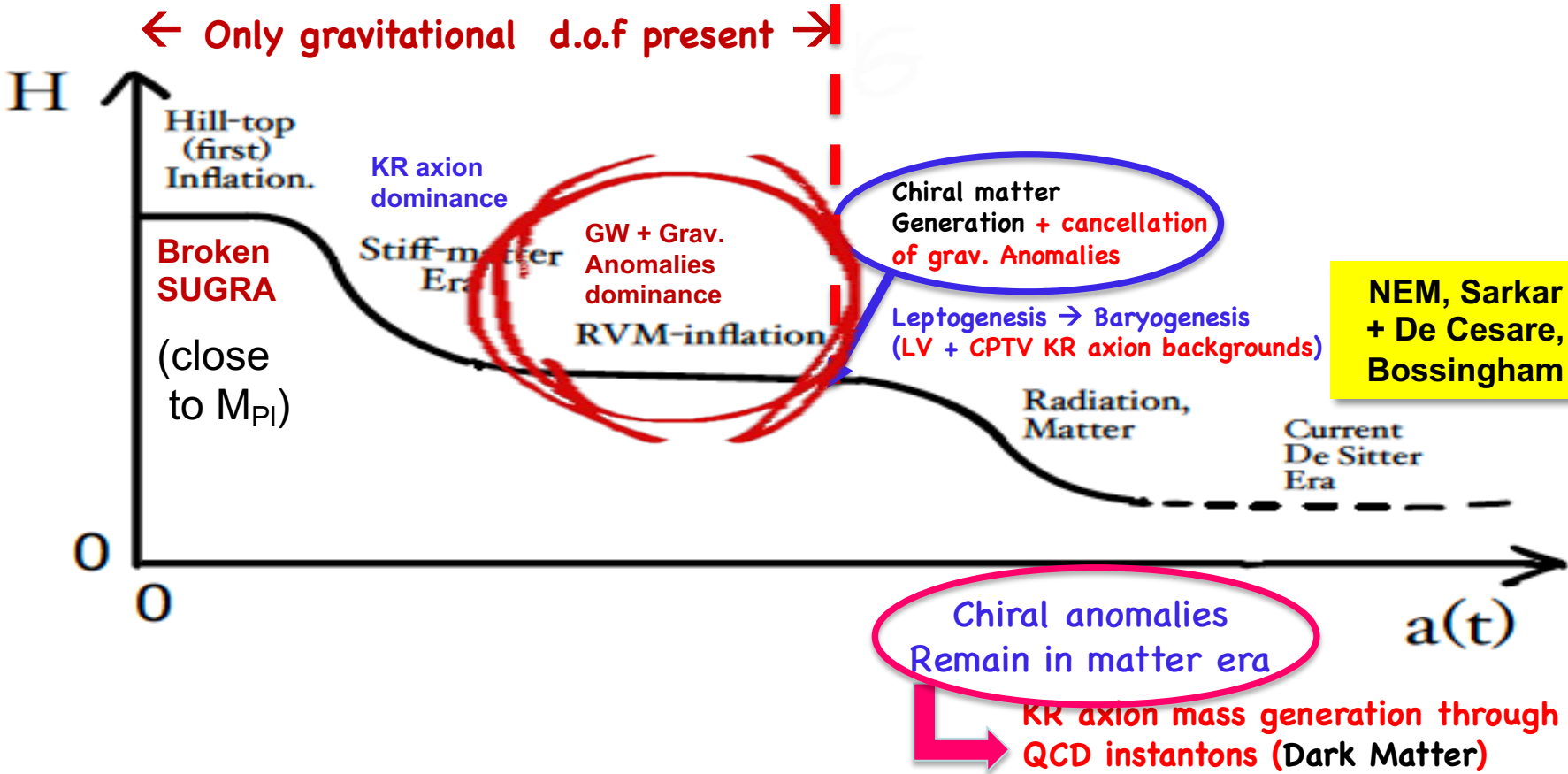


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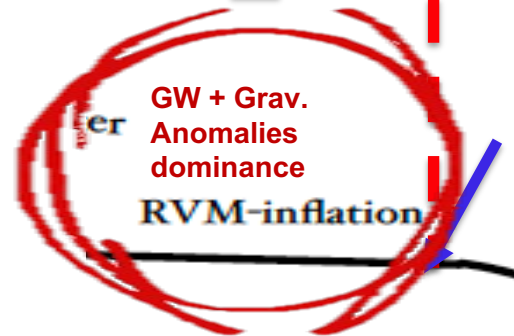
Quantum graviton
Flcts of chiral GW type

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(inflation)

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Lyth, Quimbay
Rodriguez,



Can be shown (including
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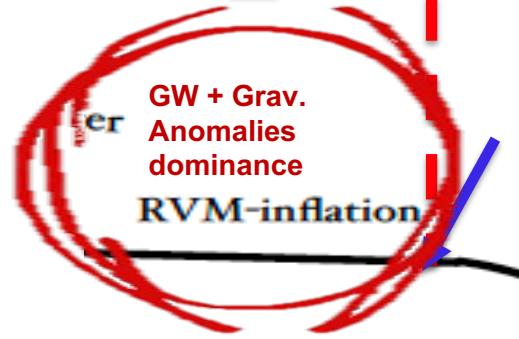
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Only an estimate in effective field theories as it depends on physics in UV regime. Hence, full string theory computation possibly depends on infinite towers of Massive string states...



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$b \underbrace{\mathcal{K}^\mu}_{;\mu}$

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$$+ \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\alpha'}{96\kappa} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \langle b(x) R_{\mu\mu\rho\sigma} \tilde{R}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \rangle$$


Condensate $\langle \dots \rangle$ of
Gravitational Anomalies

Cosmological-
Constant-like

$$gCS = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\alpha'}{96\kappa} \int d^4x \left(\langle b(x) R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \tilde{R}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \rangle + : b(x) R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \tilde{R}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} : \right)$$

quantum ordered

$$\partial_\alpha \left[\sqrt{-g} \left(\partial^\alpha \bar{b} - \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\alpha'}{96\kappa} \mathcal{K}^\alpha(t) \right) \right] = 0 \Rightarrow \dot{\bar{b}} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\alpha'}{96\kappa} \langle \mathcal{K}^0 \rangle \sim \text{constant}$$


 $\langle \mathcal{K}^0 \rangle = \text{const.}$
Spontaneous LV (+ CPTV) solution
 $\dot{\bar{b}} \propto \epsilon^{ijk} H_{ijk} = \text{constant}$

$$\Lambda \equiv \langle b(x) R_{\mu\mu\rho\sigma} \tilde{R}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \rangle \simeq 5.86 \times 10^7 \epsilon \mathcal{N} H^4 > 0$$



Positive total energy density since Λ -term dominates

$$\rho_{\text{total}} = \rho_b + \rho_{gCS} + \rho_\Lambda \simeq 3M_{\text{Pl}}^4 \left[-1.7 \times 10^{-3} \left(\frac{H}{M_{\text{Pl}}} \right)^2 + (1.17 - 1.37) \times 10^7 \left(\frac{H}{M_{\text{Pl}}} \right)^4 \right] > 0$$

Dark Energy
 ("running vacuum model (RVM) type")
 cf. talk by Solà

Equation of state :

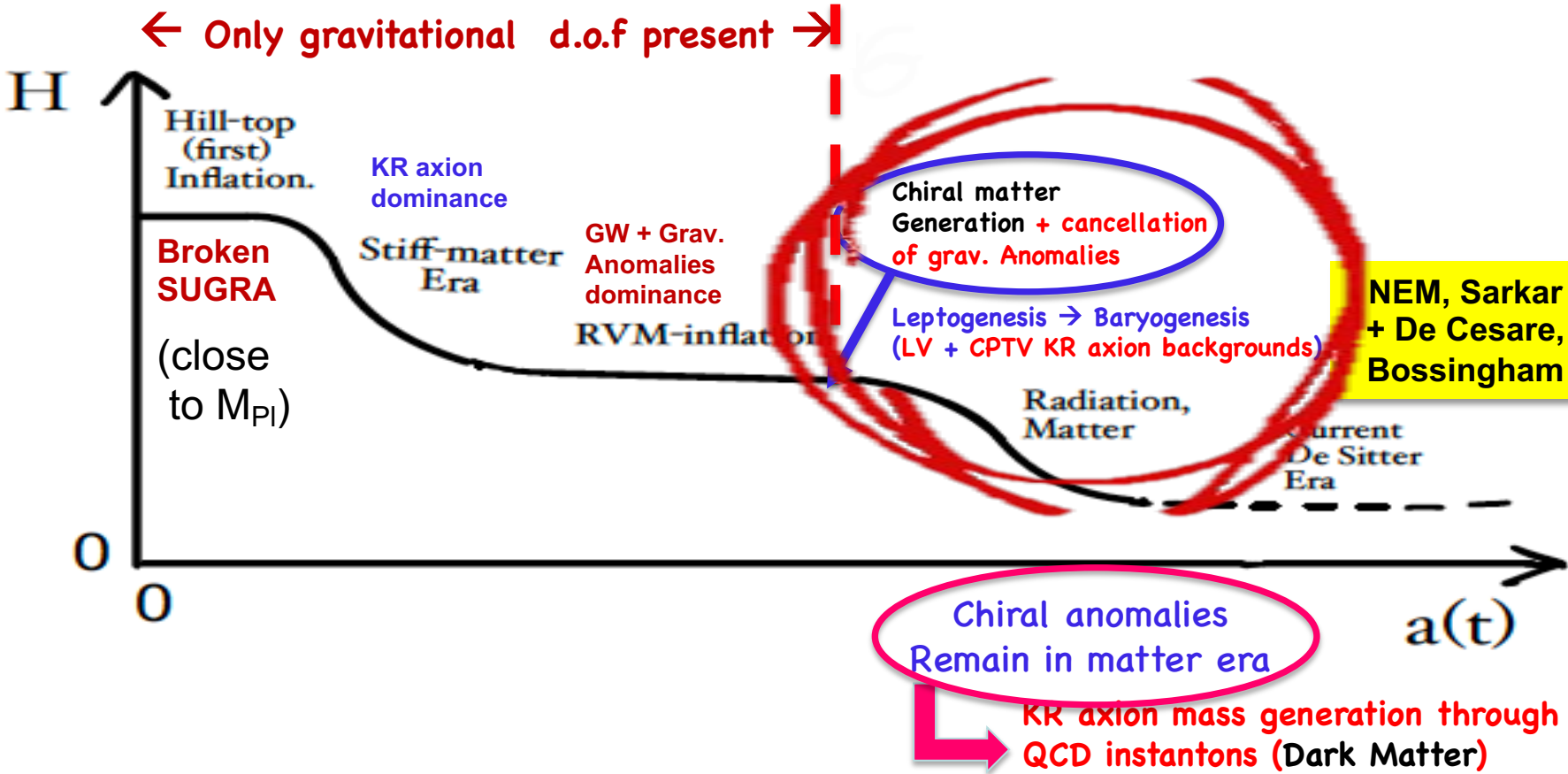
$$0 > \rho_b + \rho_{gCS} = -(\rho_b + \rho_{gCS}) \text{ cf. phantom "matter"}$$

$$0 < \rho_\Lambda = -p_\Lambda \rightarrow \text{dominates} \rightarrow$$

$$0 < \rho_b + \rho_{gCS} + \rho_\Lambda = -(\rho_b + \rho_{gCS} + \rho_\Lambda) \text{ true RVM vacuum}$$

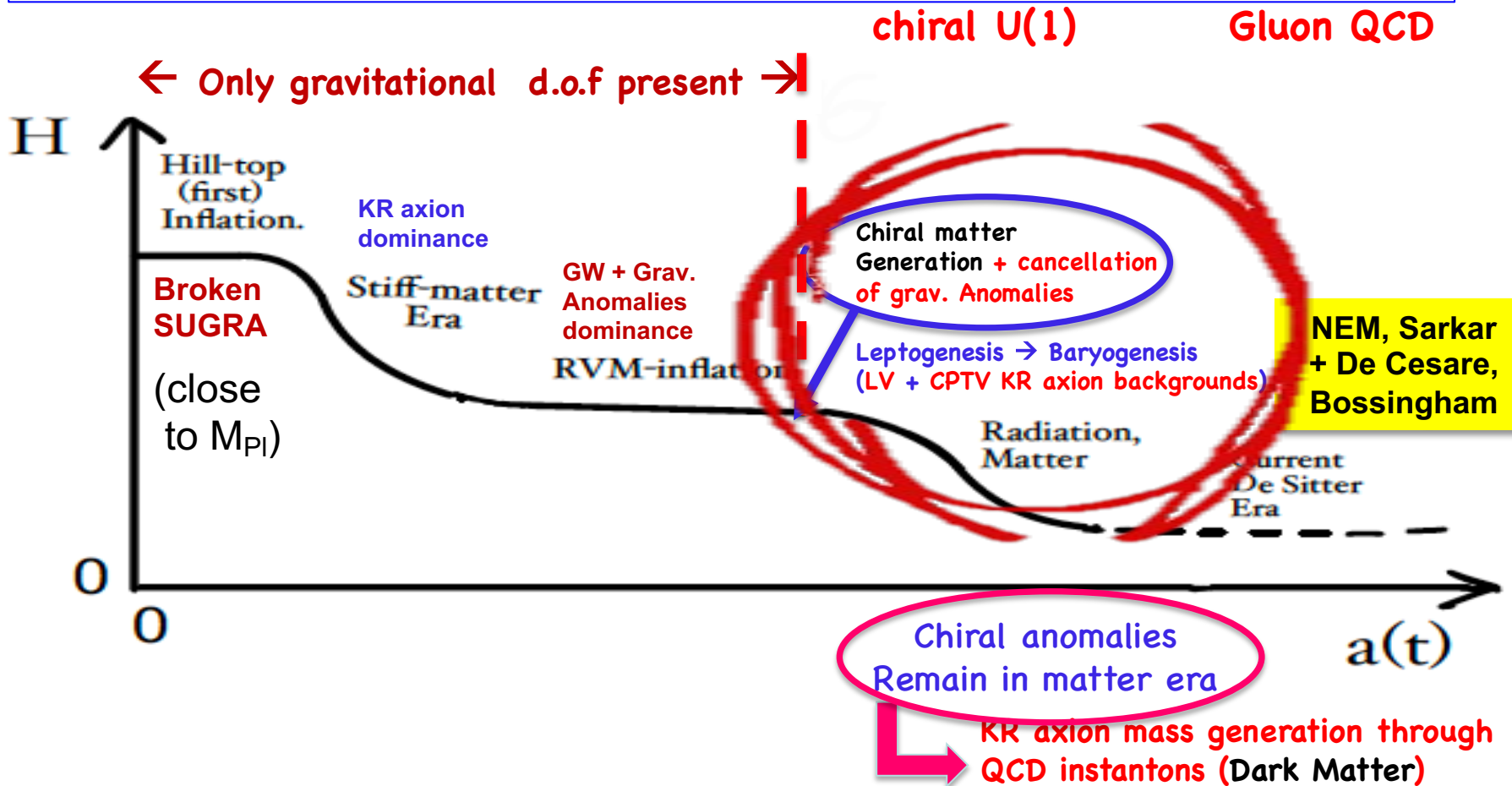
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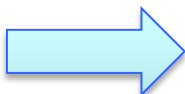
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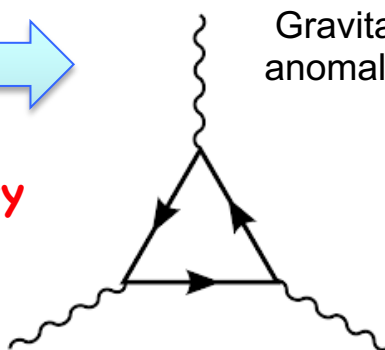
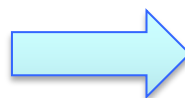
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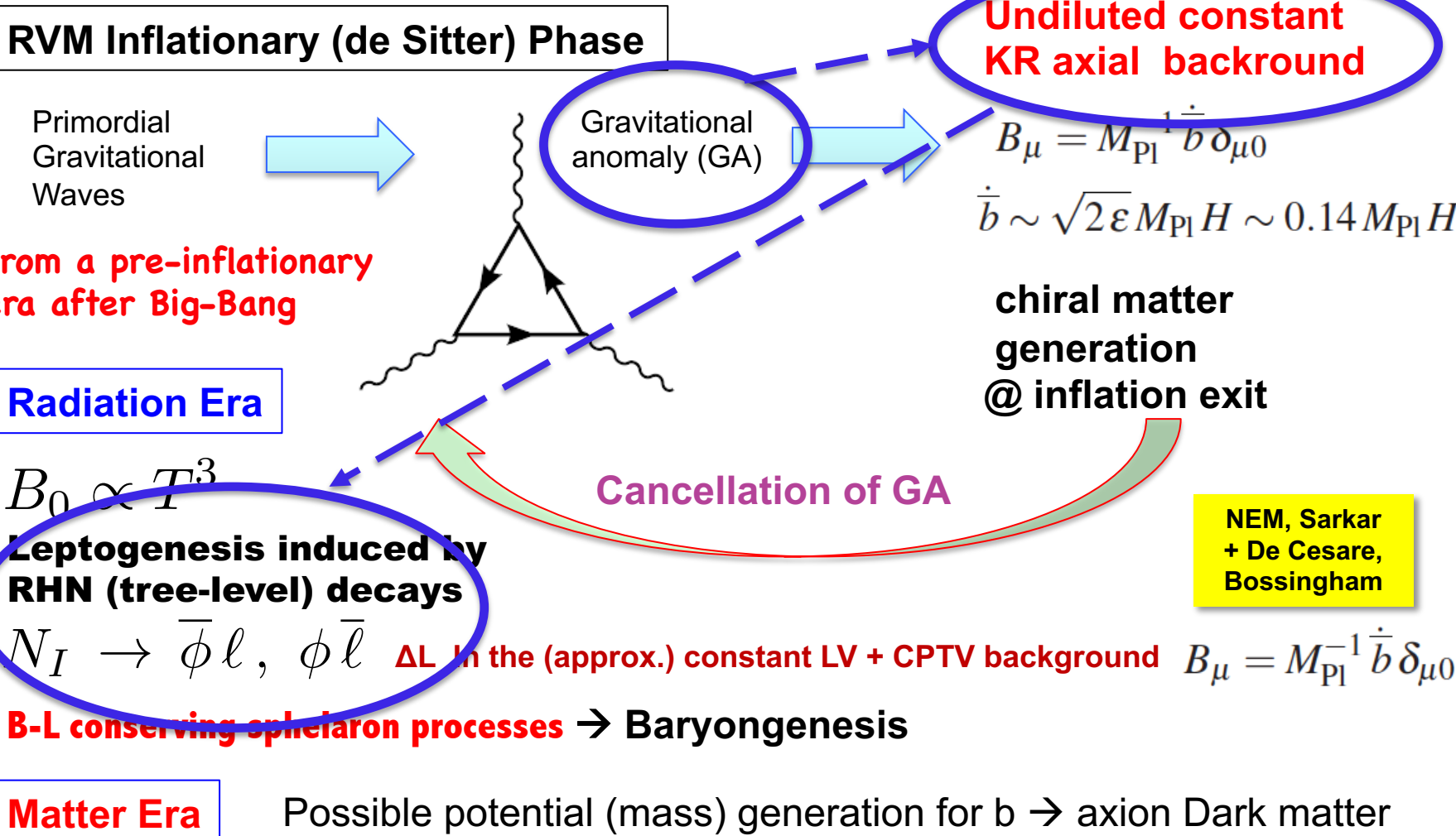
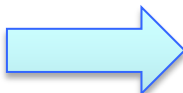
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4. Lorentz- & CPT-Violating

Leptogenesis →

→ Baryogenesis

in models with Massive
Right-handed Neutrinos

cf. also
Sarben Sarkar's
talk

Models with Right-handed Majorana Neutrinos N_I , $I=1,2,\dots$

$$L = L_{SM} + \bar{N}_I i \partial_\mu \gamma^\mu N_I - F_{\alpha I} \bar{L}_\alpha N_I \tilde{\phi} - \frac{M_I}{2} \bar{N}_I^c N_I + \text{h.c.}$$

Light Neutrino Masses through see saw

$$m_\nu = -M^D \frac{1}{M_I} [M^D]^T$$

$$M_D = F_{\alpha I} v$$

$$v = \langle \phi \rangle \sim 175 \text{ GeV}$$

$$M_D \ll M_I$$



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+

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = -\bar{N}_I B_\mu \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 N_I$$

Add interaction with
approximately
constant
axial background
 B_μ (e.g. generated
by torsion)

Isotropy & Homogeneity: $B_0 = \text{non trivial}$, $B_i = 0$, $i=1,2,3$

In our KR-torsion-induced axion background

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CPT Violation



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

Early Universe
 $T \gg T_{EW}$

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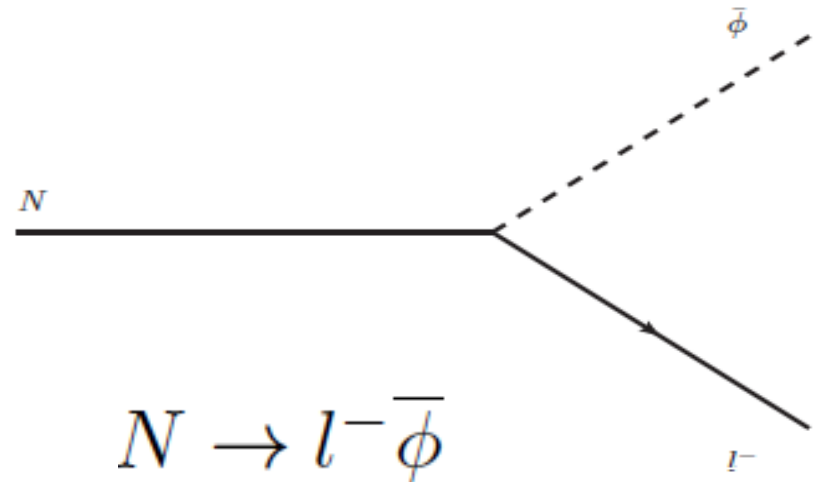
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Produce Lepton asymmetry

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



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

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

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

$B_0 \neq 0$

$$\Omega = \sqrt{B_0^2 + m^2}$$

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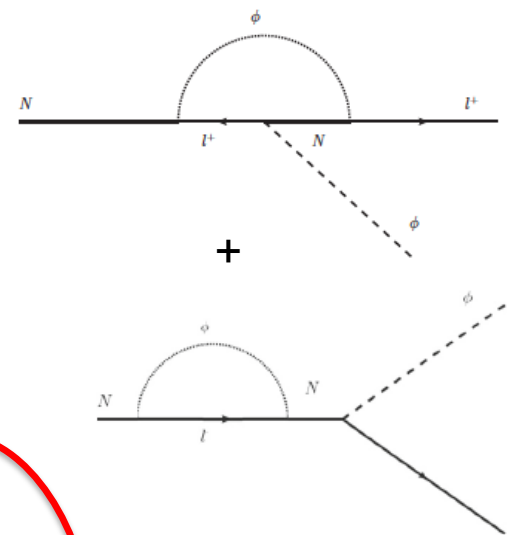
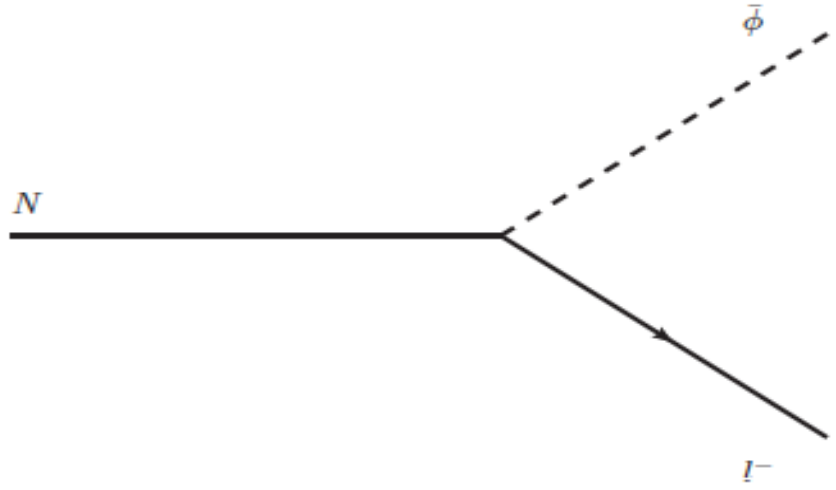


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Solving system
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 eqs

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$$Y_k \sim 10^{-5}$$

$$m \geq 100 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow$$

$$B^0 \sim 1 \text{ MeV}$$

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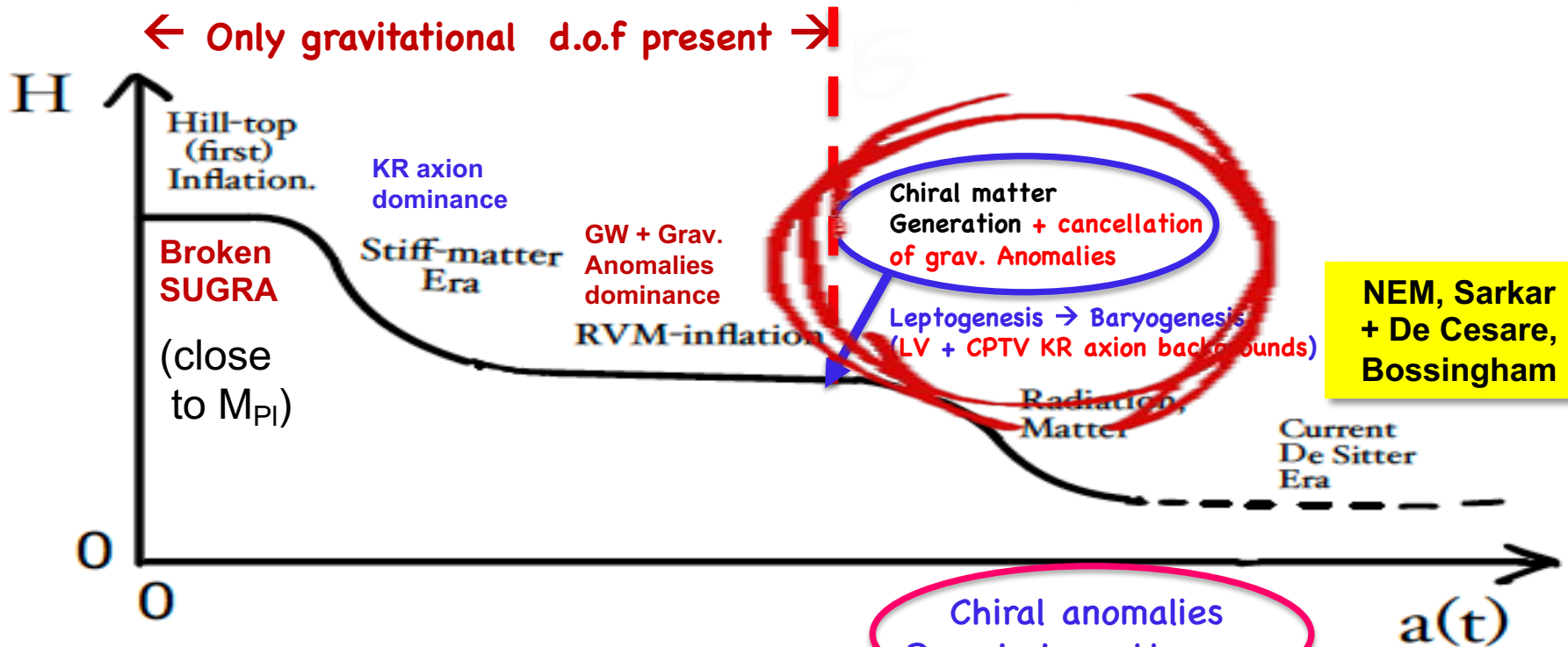
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The Cosmology of the Model @ a glance

$$\partial_\mu \left[\sqrt{-g} \left(\sqrt{\frac{3}{8}} \frac{\alpha'}{\kappa} J^{5\mu} - \frac{\alpha'}{\kappa} \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{1}{96} \mathcal{K}^\mu \right) \right] = \sqrt{\frac{3}{8}} \frac{\alpha'}{\kappa} \left(\frac{\alpha_{EM}}{2\pi} \sqrt{-g} F^{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}_{\mu\nu} + \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi} \sqrt{-g} G_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{G}^{a\mu\nu} \right)$$

chiral U(1)

Gluon QCD



NEM, Sarkar + De Cesare, Bossingham

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KR axion mass generation through QCD instantons (Dark Matter)

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Gibbons-Hawking
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Stability issues with CPTV Leptogenesis Vacuum

Existence of massive **right-handed neutrinos** (RHN) of mass m_N

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Non conserved chiral current
due to RHN mass

$$\bar{N} \left(\not{p} - m_N - X[\tilde{b}] \right) N$$

Axion-RHN interactions

$$X[\tilde{b}] = W_0[\tilde{b}] + iW_1[\tilde{b}]\gamma^5 + V_\mu[\tilde{b}]\gamma^\mu + A_\mu[\tilde{b}]\gamma^\mu\gamma^5.$$

Our case: $W_1[\tilde{b}] = \frac{2m_N\tilde{b}}{f_b}$

S. Ellis,, Quevillon,
Vuong, T. You, Zhang

EFFECTIVE FIELD THEORY (EFT) - integrating out heavy RHN

Validity of EFT: $f_b \geq m_N$

EFT Axion potential generated : up to, say, dim 6 operators

$$V_{\text{eff}}[b] = a_2 \left(W_1 [\tilde{b}] \right)^2 + a_4 \left(W_1 [\tilde{b}] \right)^4 + a_6 \left(W_1 [\tilde{b}] \right)^6$$

$$a_2 = 4m_N^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{m_N^2}{\mu^2} \right) \quad a_4 = \frac{5}{6} - \ln \frac{m_N^2}{\mu^2} \quad a_6 = -\frac{1}{3m_N^2} .$$

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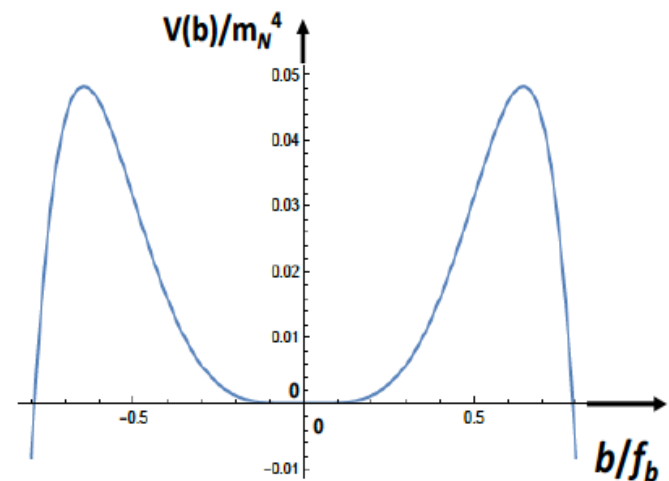
RG
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Runaway
Instability?

Real mass for axions: $\mu \gtrsim e^{-1} m_N$

Matching: $m_N \simeq \mu$

Allowed regime: $e^{-1} m_N \lesssim \mu \lesssim m_N .$



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$$\frac{d\lambda_{\text{eff}}}{d\ln\mu} = 2^7 \frac{m_N^4}{f_b^4} > 0$$

Minimize τ w.r.t. μ

$$\frac{\tau(\mu = \mu_{\text{min}})}{T_U} \sim 6.5 \times 10^{-240} \left(\frac{M_{\text{Pl}}}{m_N}\right)^4 e^{\frac{5\pi}{4\sqrt{3}} \frac{f_b^2}{m_N^2}}$$

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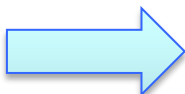
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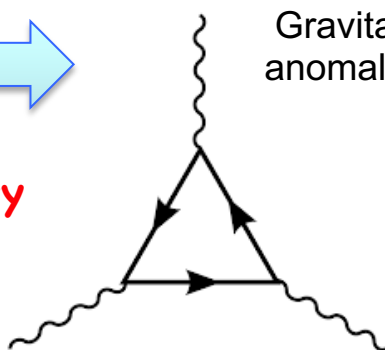
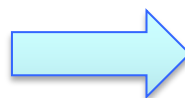
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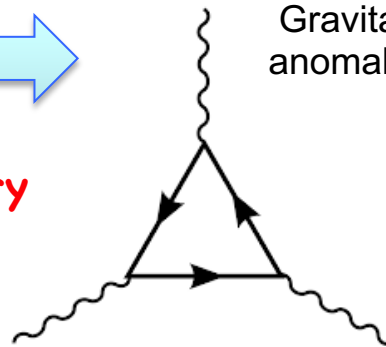
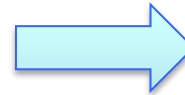
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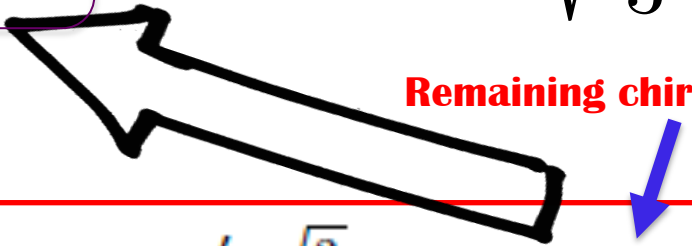
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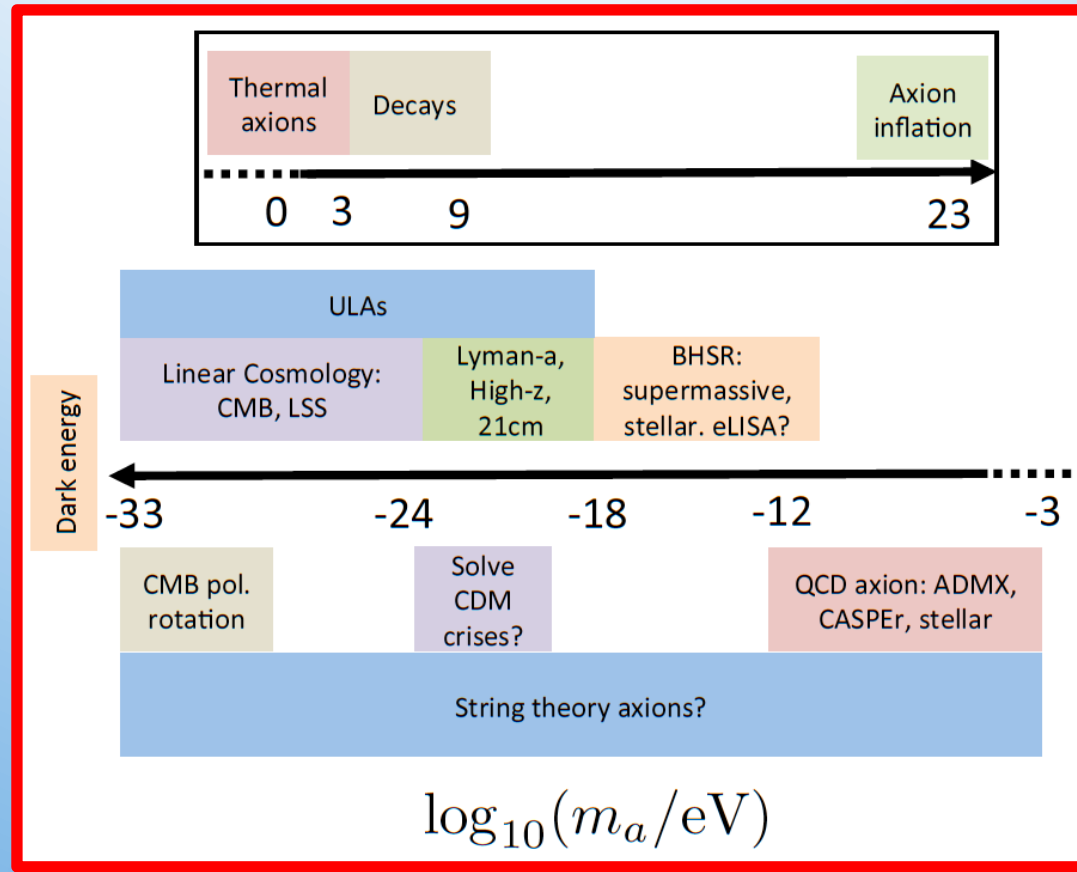
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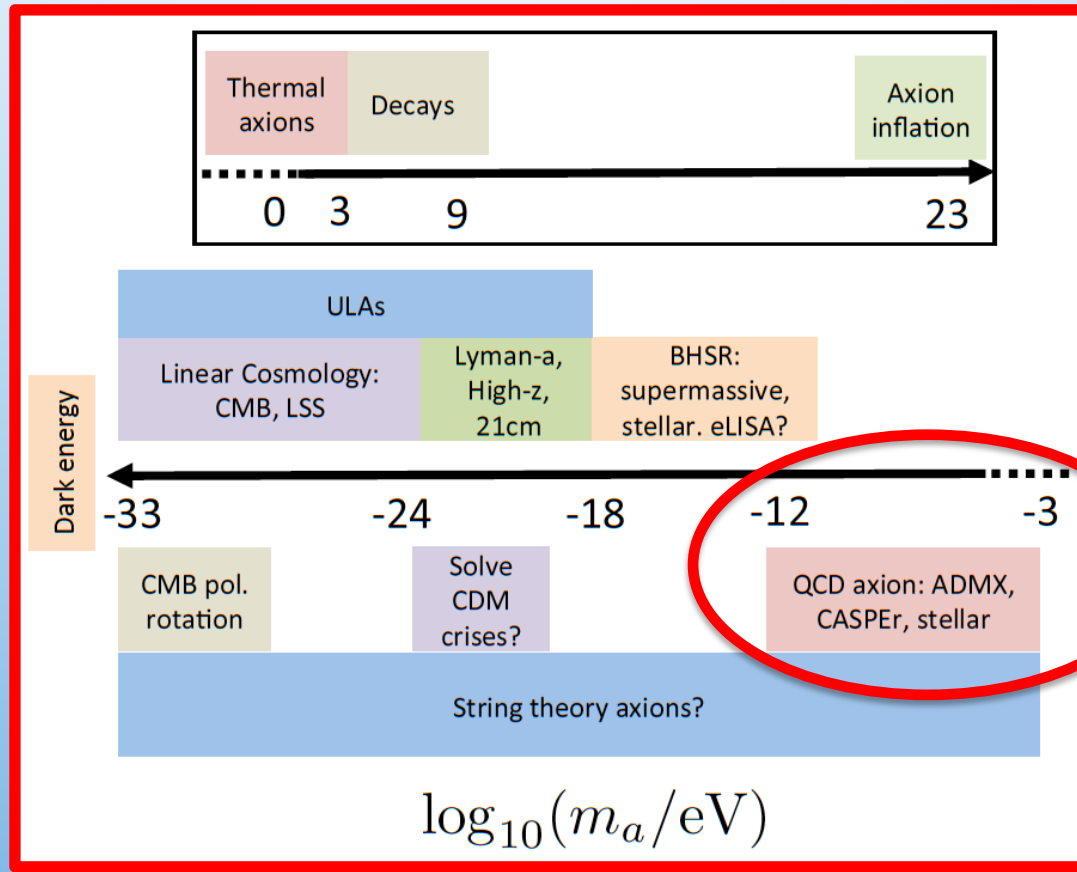
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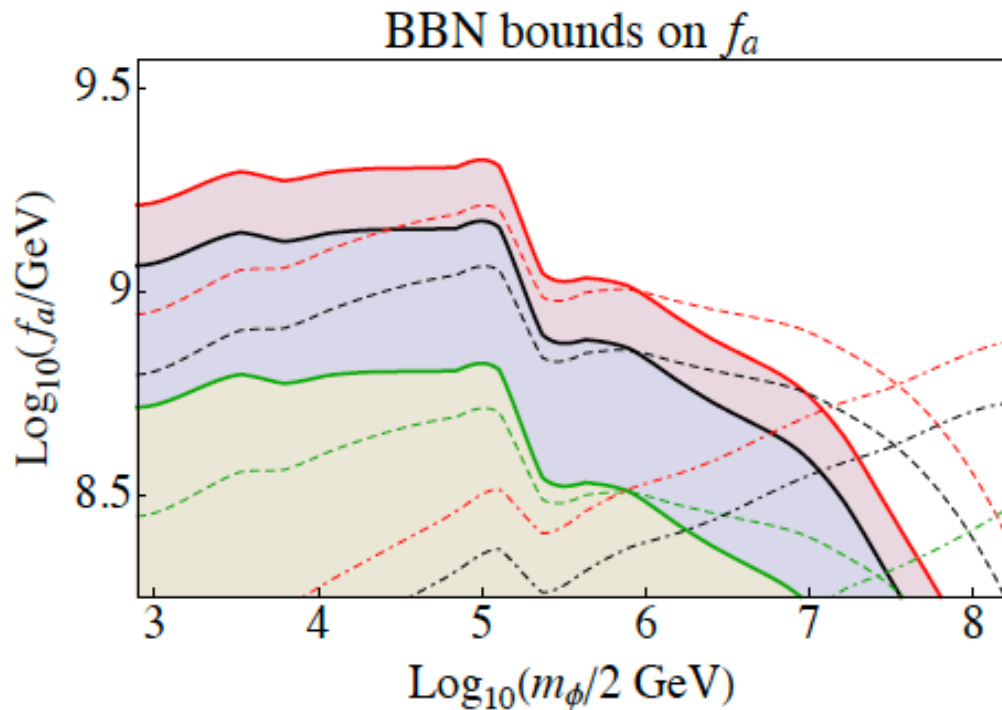
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BBN Constraints

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$\Delta N_{\text{eff}} = 0.1, 0.5, 1$ (green, black, red)

J. P. Conlon and M. C. D. Marsh, JHEP10, 214 (2013), 1304.1804.

BBN constraints **rule out**
 $f_a \leq 10^9$ GeV for a
 wide range of Masses m_ϕ

For KR axion coupling

$$f_b = \sqrt{\frac{8}{3}} \frac{M_s^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}} < 10^9 \text{ GeV}$$

Excludes

$$m_b = \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2 / f_b > 4 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV}$$

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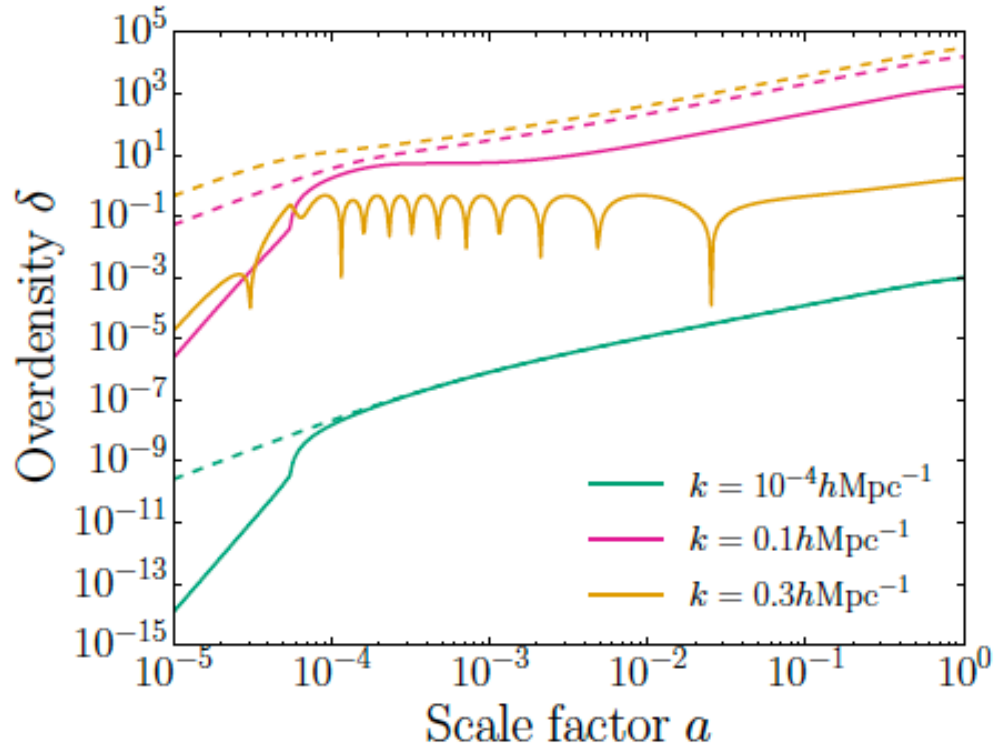
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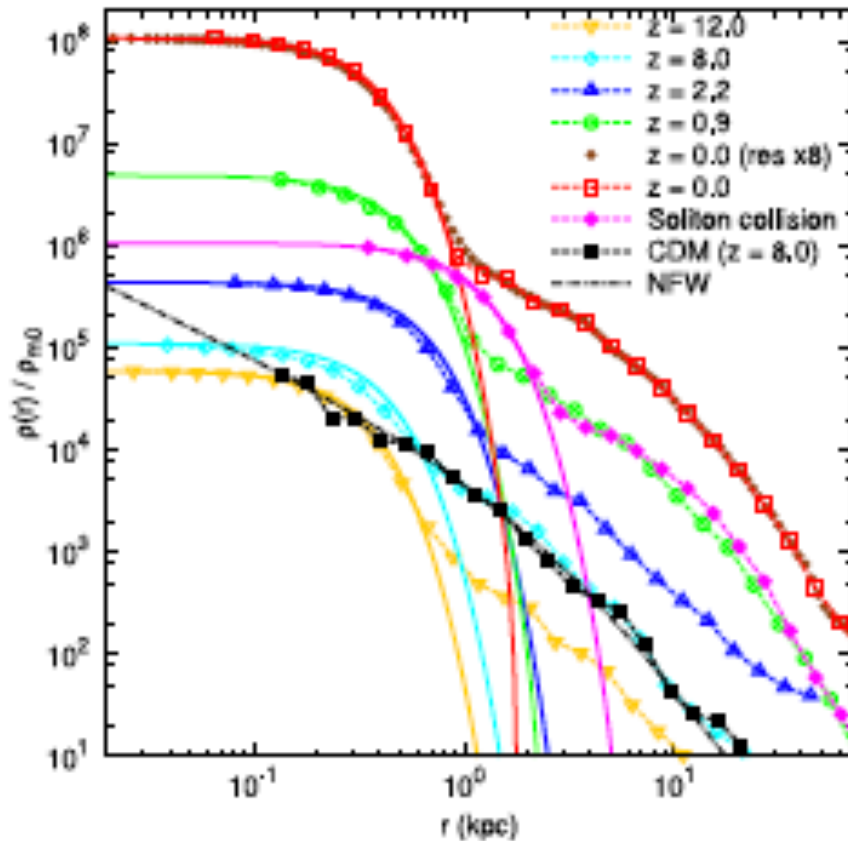
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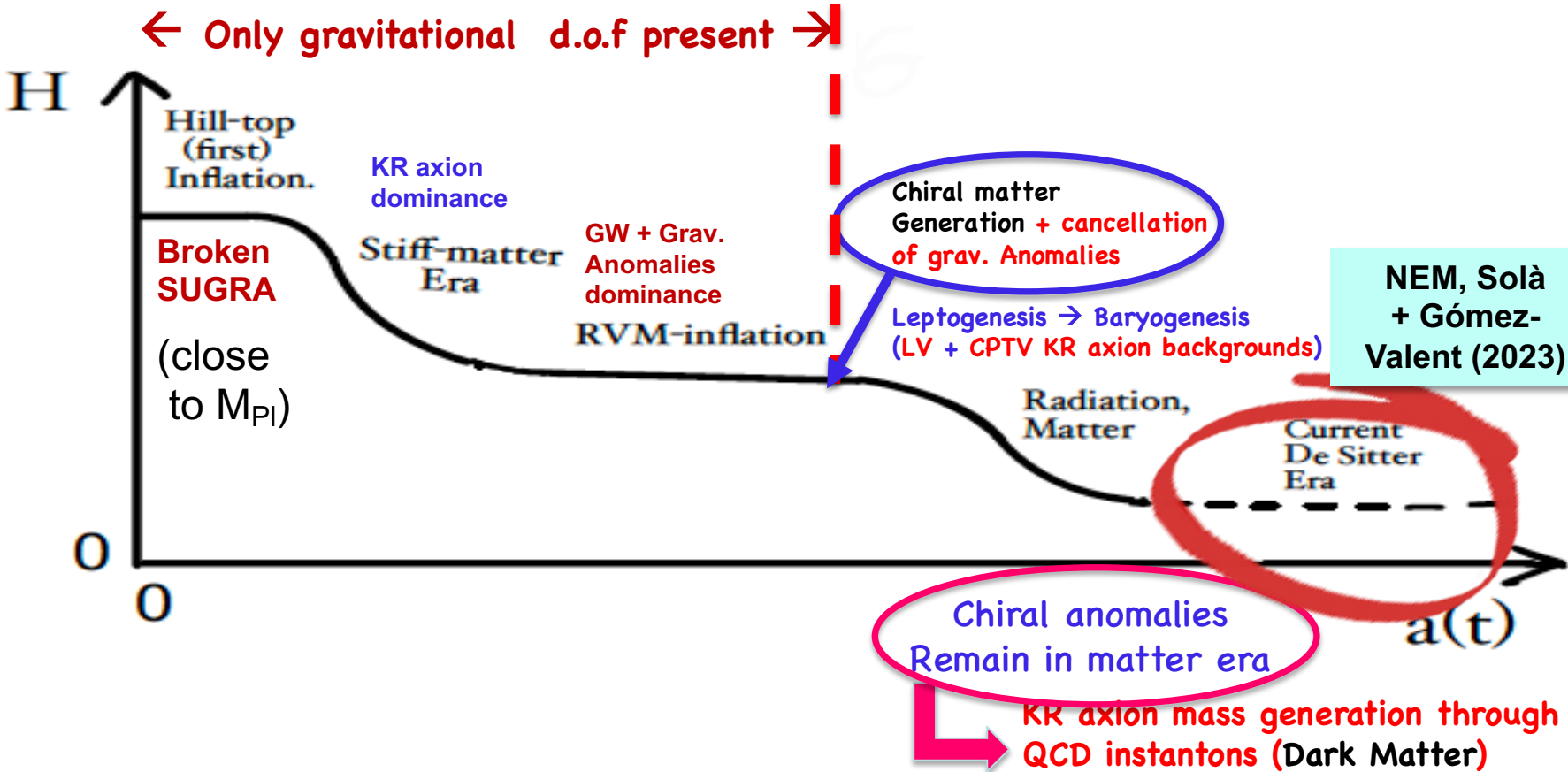


$$m_a = 8.1 \times 10^{-23} \text{ eV}$$

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The Cosmology of the Model @ a glance

NEM, Solà
EPJ-ST
(2020)



NEM, Solà
+ Gómez-Valent (2023)

**5. Modern Era:
Cosmological Tensions
&
stringy RVM**

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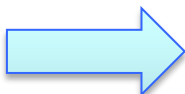
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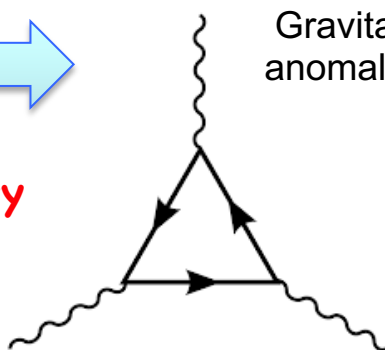
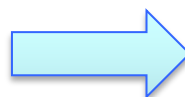
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Cancellation of GA

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B-L conserving sphelaron processes → Baryogenesis

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Matter Era

Possible potential (mass) generation for ϕ → axion Dark matter

Modern de-Sitter Era

GA resurfacing

$$\dot{b}_{\text{today}} \sim \sqrt{2\varepsilon'} M_{\text{Pl}} H_0$$

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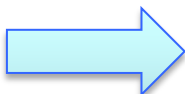
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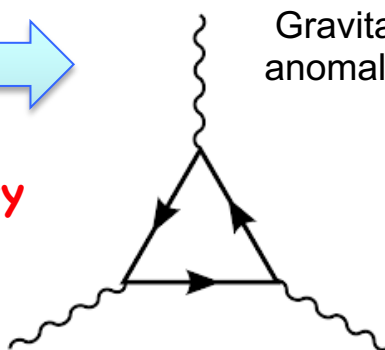
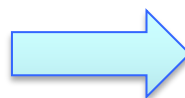
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$$B_0 \Big|_{\text{today}} \sim 2.435 \times 10^{-34} \text{ eV}$$

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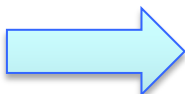
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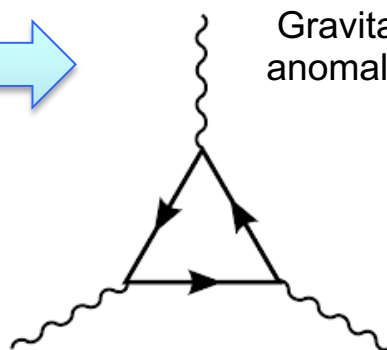
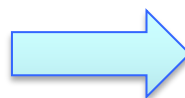
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Need to understand Modern Era better

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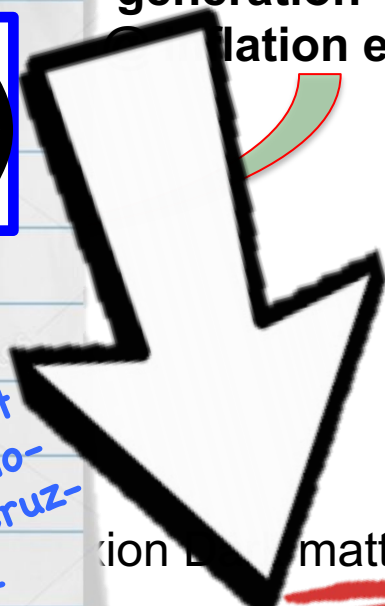
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Gravitational

Distinguishing feature from Λ CDM
Fit data & Alleviate data tensions

Radiation

$$\text{today } \rho_{\text{RVM}}(H) = 3M_{\text{Pl}}^4 \left(c_0 + \nu_0 \left(\frac{H_0}{M_{\text{Pl}}} \right)^2 \right)$$

B_{CMB}

Lepton
RH

$$0 < \nu_0 = \mathcal{O}(10^{-3})$$

N_{eff}

B-L

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

Matter

Gómez-Valent Solà, Moreno-Pulido, de Cruz-Perez

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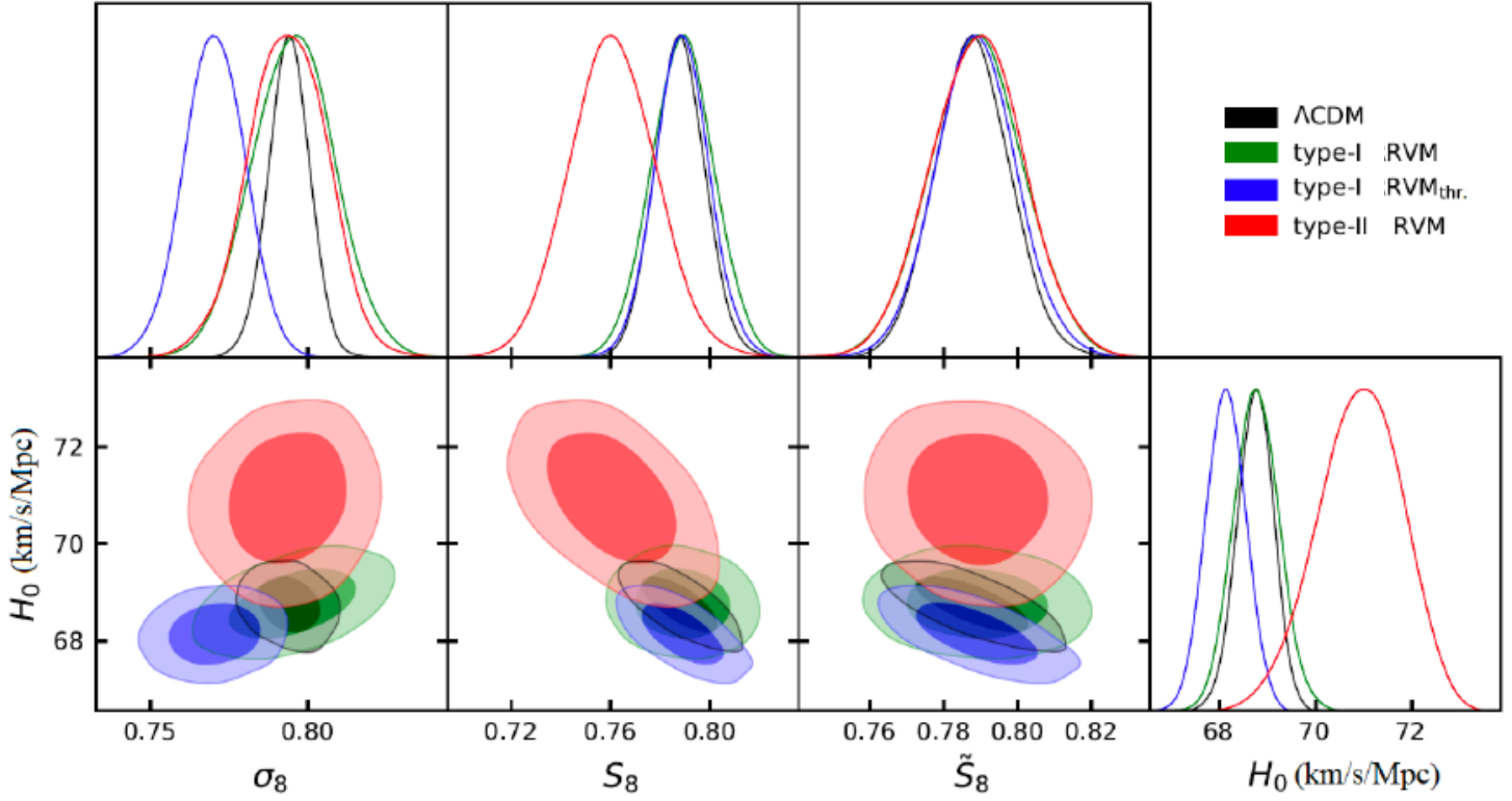
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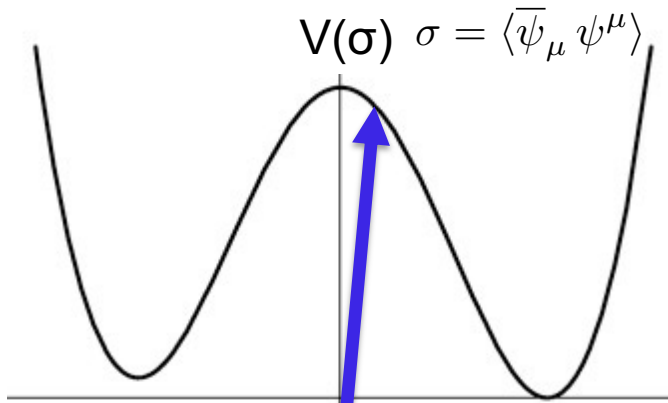
If tensions are not due to statistics

Solà, Gómez-Valent, De Cruz Perez, Moreno-Pulido, (Planck 2018 data)

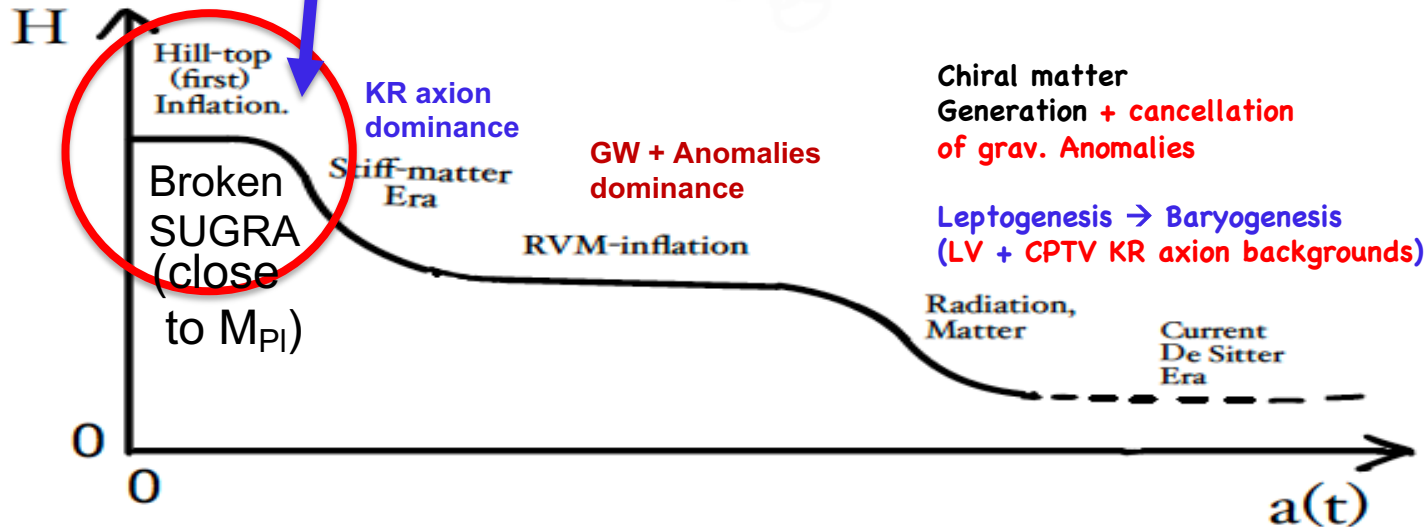
Alleviation of the H_0 , σ_8 tension by RVM model



$$\rho \propto (c_1 + c_2 \ln H) H^2 + (c_3 + c_4 \ln H) H^4 + \Lambda$$



**SUGRA broken dynamically
by gravitino ψ_μ condensate
stabilised \rightarrow
RVM GW-induced Inflation**



NB:

N=1 SUGRA & QG effects

Alexandre
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$$\Gamma \simeq -\frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \left[\left(\widehat{R} - 2\Lambda_1 \right) + \alpha_1 \widehat{R} + \alpha_2 \widehat{R}^2 \right] \quad \text{Effective action } \Gamma \text{ in the presence of cosmol. constant } \Lambda > 0$$

$$\widehat{R}_{\lambda\mu\nu\rho} = \frac{\Lambda}{3} \left(\widehat{g}_{\lambda\nu} \widehat{g}_{\mu\rho} - \widehat{g}_{\lambda\rho} \widehat{g}_{\mu\nu} \right) \quad \Lambda_1 \equiv \Lambda_0 - \kappa^{-2} \alpha_0 \quad \alpha_0 = \alpha_0^B = \kappa^4 \Lambda_0^2 \left[0.027 - 0.018 \ln \left(-\frac{3\Lambda_0}{2\mu^2} \right) \right]$$

$$\alpha_1 = \frac{\kappa^2}{2} (\alpha_1^F + \alpha_1^B), \quad \alpha_2 = \frac{\kappa^2}{8} (\alpha_2^F + \alpha_2^B)$$

F=integrating out gravitinos

B=integrating our gravitons (QG)

$$\alpha_1^F = 0.067 \tilde{\kappa}^2 \sigma_c^2 - 0.021 \tilde{\kappa}^2 \sigma_c^2 \ln \left(\frac{\Lambda}{\mu^2} \right) +$$

$$0.073 \tilde{\kappa}^2 \sigma_c^2 \ln \left(\frac{\tilde{\kappa}^2 \sigma_c^2}{\mu^2} \right),$$

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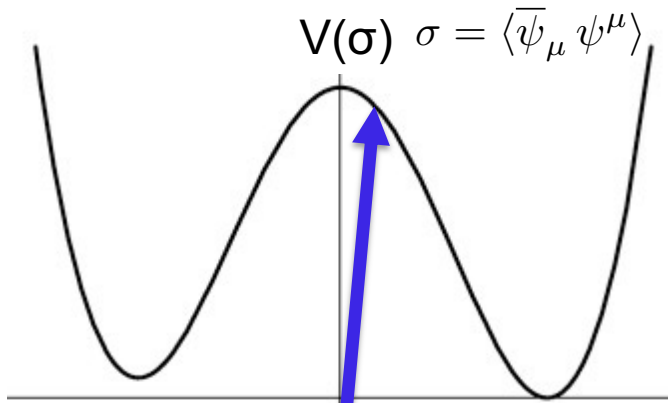
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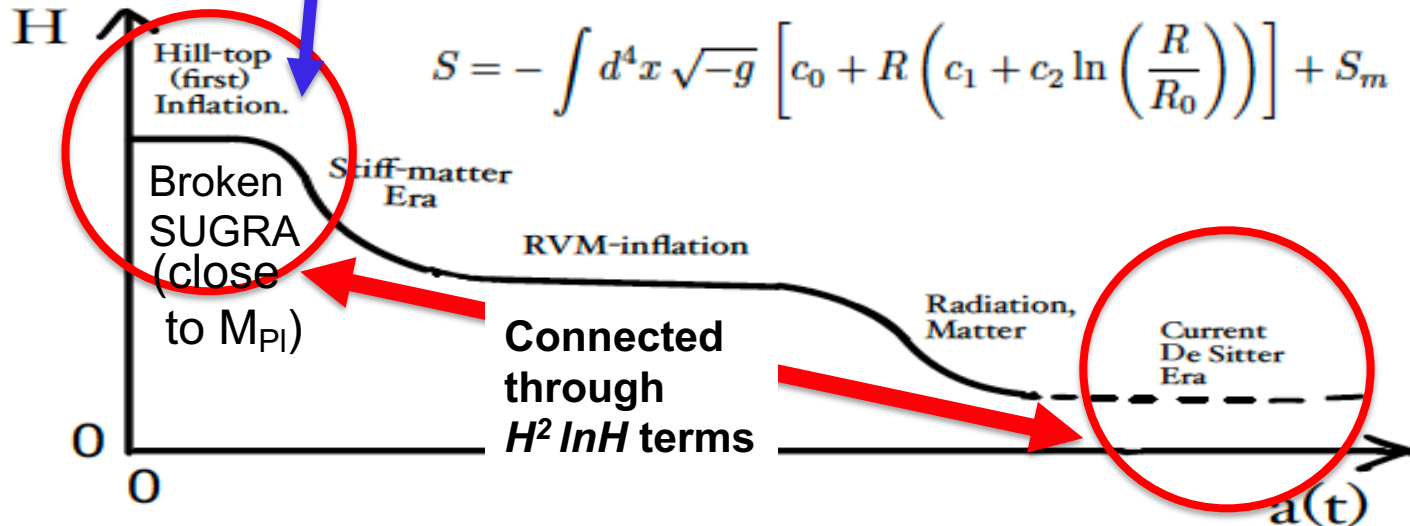
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$$R = 12 H^2$$



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Alleviation of H_0 & σ_{12} growth tensions

$$|\epsilon| \equiv \left| \frac{c_2}{c_1 + c_2} \right| \lesssim 10^{-7} \ll (aH/k^2)$$

CMB, large-scale structures OK

Primordial SUGRA model:

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$$c_2 = -0.0045 \kappa^2 f^2 < 0$$

f = scale of primordial **SUSY dynamical breaking**

$$\sqrt{|f|} \gtrsim 10^{-5/4} \kappa^{-1} \sim 10^{17} \text{ GeV}$$

Natural !!!



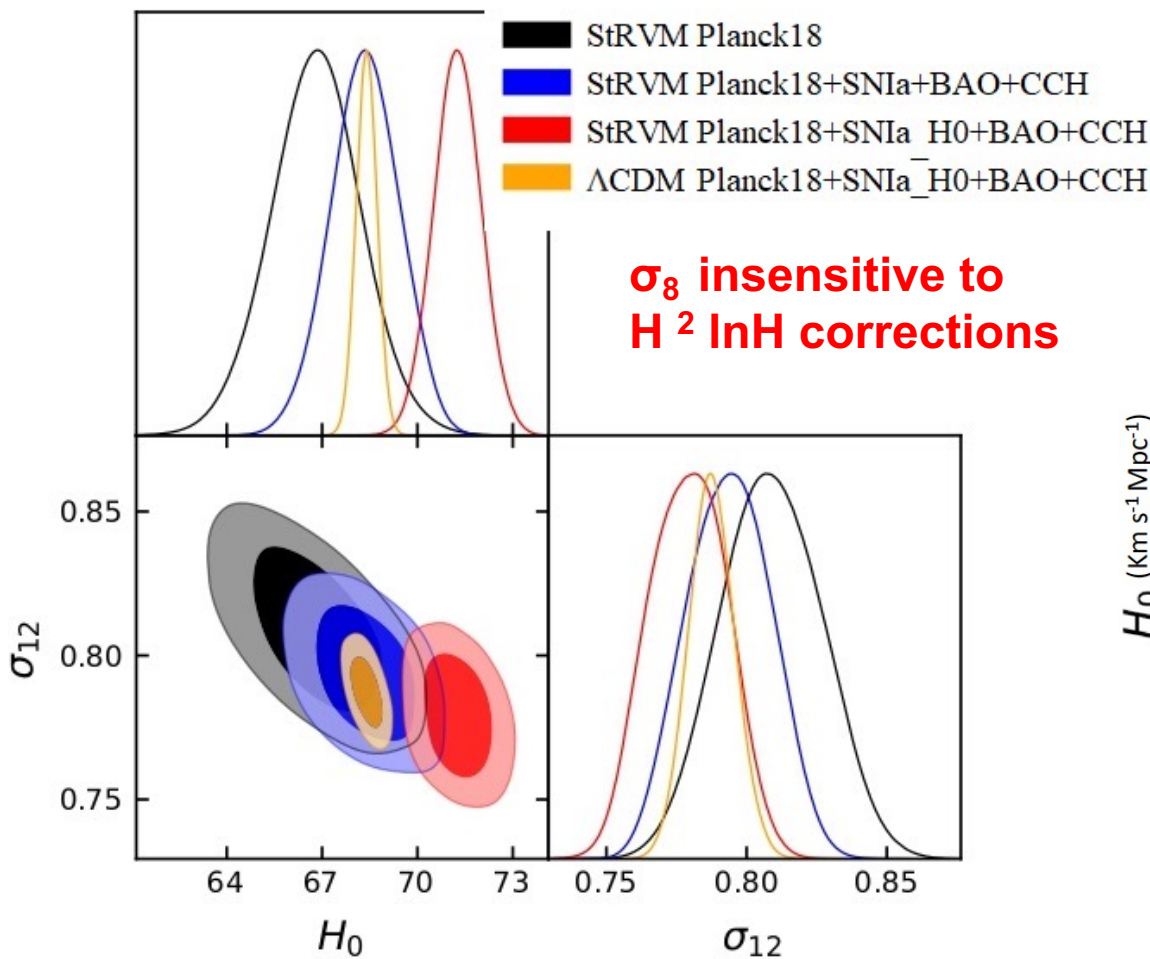
Stringy RVM

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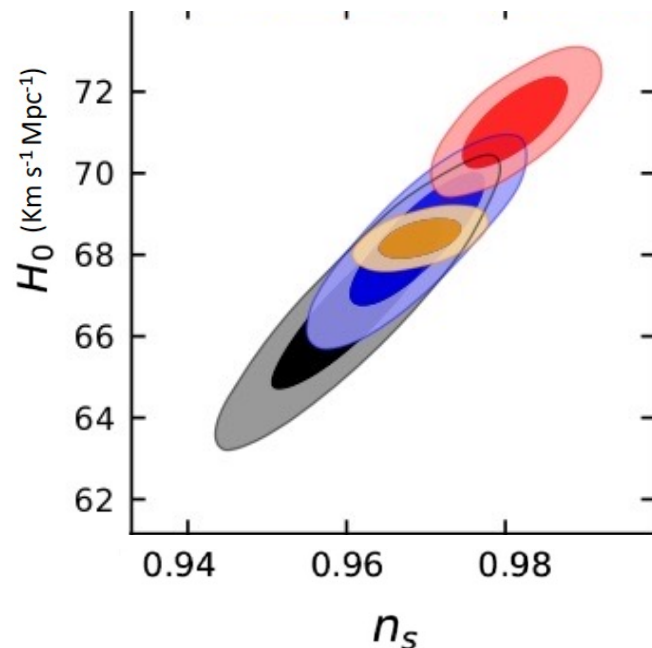
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NB:

Integrating out massive matter in QFT

Moreno Pulido, Solà,
Cheraghchi (2020-23)

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Terms of the form
 $(H^2 - H_0^2) \ln(H)$
also arise in **QFT**
by integrating out
massive matter
(fermionic & bosonic)
fields



NB: suppressed
today compared to
SUGRA effects,
if latter present

Alleviation of H_0 &
 $\sigma_{12, 8}$ growth tensions ?

6. Conclusions & Outlook

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Pre RVM-Inflationary era

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We exist because of Anomalies!



Paraphrasing C. Sagan: we are anomalously made of star stuff !

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

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OUTLOOK: (iii) Can we also get evidence of $v < 0$ coefficient of H^2 during RVM inflation?

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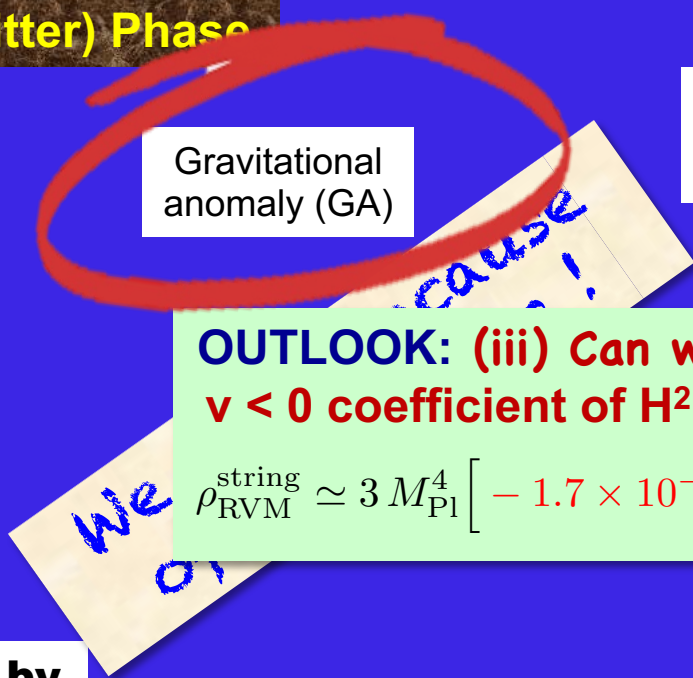
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Thank you!



a microscopic
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(via (gravitational axion)
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SPARES

**3(iii). Spontaneous
Lorentz &
CPT Violation**

**by axion backgrounds
and Running-Vacuum-Model
Inflation without
inflatons**

Effective action contains **CP violating axion-like coupling**

$$\sqrt{-g} \mathcal{K}^\mu(\omega)_{;\mu}$$

$$S_B^{\text{eff}} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[-\frac{1}{2\kappa^2} R + \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu b \partial^\mu b + \frac{\sqrt{2} \alpha'}{96 \kappa \sqrt{3}} b(x) \left(R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \tilde{R}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \right) + \dots \right]$$

(i) **Assume de Sitter era**, first, to discuss anomaly condensate in the presence of GW perturbation

(ii) **deduce Running Vacuum Model (RVM) vacuum** behaviour

and

(iii) **Inflation is obtained self consistently** from **RVM evolution**

Basilakos, Lima, Solà

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$$ds^2 = dt^2 - a^2(t) \left[(1 - h_+(t, z)) dx^2 + (1 + h_+(t, z)) dy^2 + 2h_\times(t, z) dx dy + dz^2 \right]$$

Average over inflationary space time in the presence of **primordial Gravitational waves**

$$n_\star \equiv \frac{N(t)}{\sqrt{-g}} \quad \text{Proper density of sources}$$

$$b(x) = b(t)$$

Alexander, Peskin, Sheikh-Jabbari

$\mu = \text{UV k-momentum Cut-off}$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\sqrt{-g} \mathcal{K}^0(t) \right) = \langle R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \tilde{R}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \rangle = \frac{16}{a^4} \kappa^2 n_\star \int^{\mu} \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{H^2}{2k^3} k^4 \Theta + \mathcal{O}(\Theta^3)$$

Homogeneity & Isotropy

$$\Theta = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\kappa^3}{12} H \dot{b} \ll 1$$

$$\kappa = M_{\text{Pl}}^{-1},$$

$$\dot{b} \equiv db/dt$$

**$H \approx \text{const.}$
(inflation)**

$$a(t) \sim e^{Ht}$$

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$$S_B^{\text{eff}} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[-\frac{1}{2\kappa^2} R + \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu b \partial^\mu b + \frac{\sqrt{2} \alpha'}{96 \kappa \sqrt{3}} b(x) \left(R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \tilde{R}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \right) + \dots \right]$$

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Homogeneity
& Isotropy

$$\Theta = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\kappa^3}{12} H \dot{b} \ll 1$$

$$\kappa = M_{\text{Pl}}^{-1},$$

$$\dot{b} \equiv db/dt$$

$H \approx \text{const.}$
(inflation)

$$a(t) \sim e^{Ht}$$

$$\widehat{h}_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, \eta) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{M_{\text{Pl}}} \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \sum_{p=L,R} \left(e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \epsilon_{ij}^p(\mathbf{k}) \widehat{h}_p(\mathbf{k}, \eta) \right)$$

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Solutions (backgrounds) to the Eqs of Motion

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@ end of
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$$t_{\text{end}} H_{\text{infl}} \sim \mathcal{N} = e - \text{foldings} \\ \sim 55-70$$

Fix b_{initial} to arrange
approx. constant
condensate
during appropriate
time period (inflation)

Gravitational Anomaly Condensates → Dynamical Inflation

Basilakos, NEM, Solà

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e-foldings

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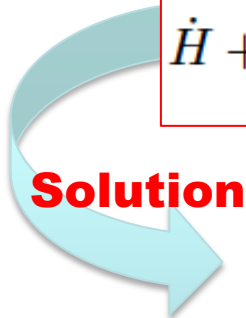
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Basilakos, Lima, Solà, Perico



Solution

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$$0 < \rho_\Lambda = -p_\Lambda \rightarrow \text{dominates} \rightarrow$$

$$0 < \rho_b + \rho_{gCS} + \rho_\Lambda = -(\rho_b + \rho_{gCS} + \rho_\Lambda) \text{ true RVM vacuum}$$

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Cannot obtain such H^4 terms
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by integrating out matter fields



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Moreno Pulido, Solà
+ Cheraghchi

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Another important role of CP-violation in Early Universe

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Cosmological Evolution of RVM

Basilakos, Lima,
Solà + Gomez Valent
+ ... (2013 - 2018)

$$\omega = \rho_m / p_m \quad m = \text{matter, radiation}$$

$$\nabla^\mu T_{\mu\nu} = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \dot{\rho}_m + 3(1 + \omega)H\rho_m = -\dot{\rho}_{\text{RVM}}^\Lambda$$

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Radiation

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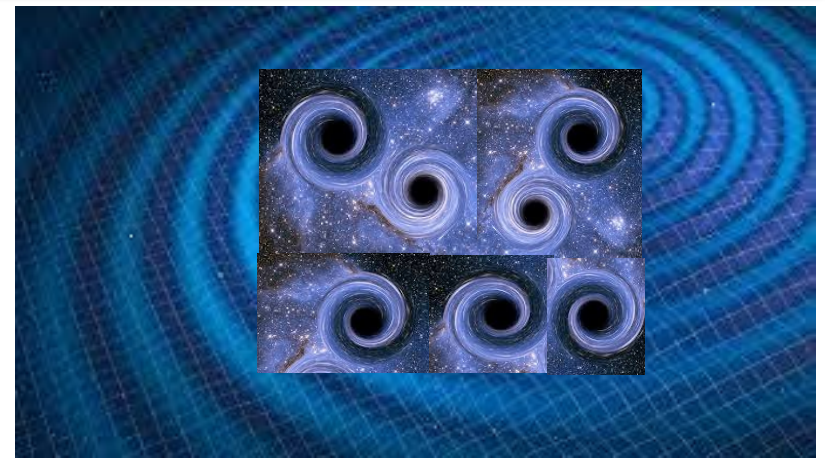
$$\omega = 1/3$$

**Late dark-Energy
dominated era**

$$H^2(a) = H_0^2 \left[\tilde{\Omega}_{m0} a^{-3(1-\nu)} + \tilde{\Omega}_{\Lambda 0} \right] \quad \tilde{\Omega}_{\Lambda 0} \text{ dominant}$$

The combined important role of string-model independent and Compactification axions

3(iv). Enhanced cosmic perturbations and densities of primordial black holes during RVM inflation and Gravitational Wave profiles



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approximately de Sitter provided we have, during the duration of inflation:

$$b(t) = \bar{b}(0) + 0.14 M_{\text{Pl}} H t_{\text{end}} \simeq \bar{b}(0) \quad \text{order of magnitude}$$

< 0 N=e-folds beginning of inflation



$$|\bar{b}(0)| \gtrsim \mathcal{O}(10) M_{\text{Pl}} \quad \text{Distance-swampland conjectures?}$$

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We may extend the model to include other **stringy axions** arising from **compactification**

$$V_{a_I}^{\text{lin}} = a_I(x) \frac{f_b}{f_a} \Lambda_0^3$$

$$\Lambda_0 = 8.4 \times 10^{-4} M_{\text{Pl}}. \quad f_a = \text{axion coupling}$$

**canonical kinetic
terms for a-axions**

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NEM, Universe 7 (2021) 12, 480,
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$$V_{\text{brane-compact-effects}}(a) \ni \Lambda_2^4 \frac{1}{f_a} a + \Lambda_I^4 \left(1 + \xi_a \frac{a}{f_a}\right) \cos\left(\frac{a}{f_a}\right)$$

warp factor

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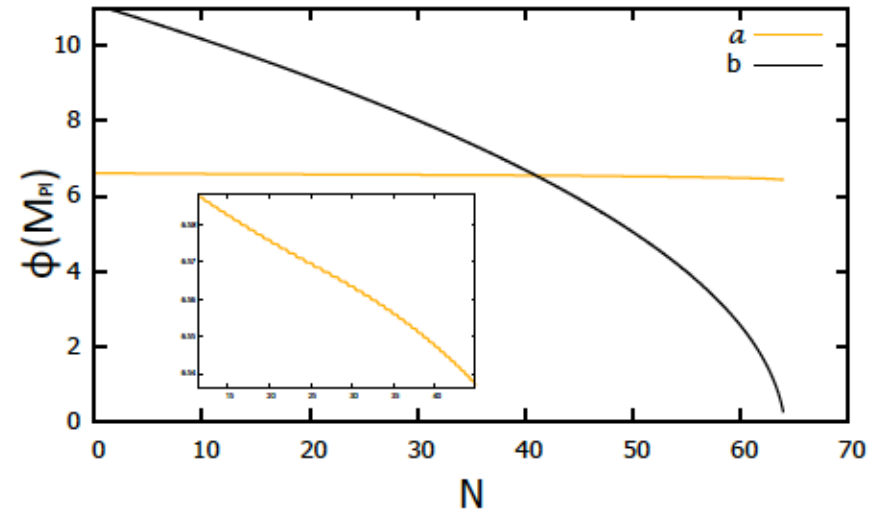
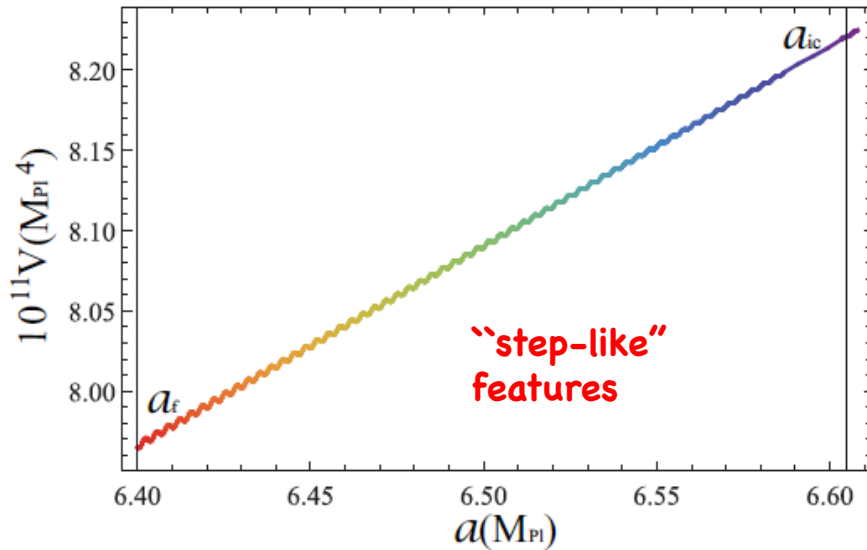
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b-field + condensate drive inflation, **a-axion** ends inflation



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$$n_s = 1 + \frac{d \ln P_R}{d \ln k} \quad r = \frac{P_T}{P_R} \quad P_T = \frac{2}{\pi^2} H^2$$

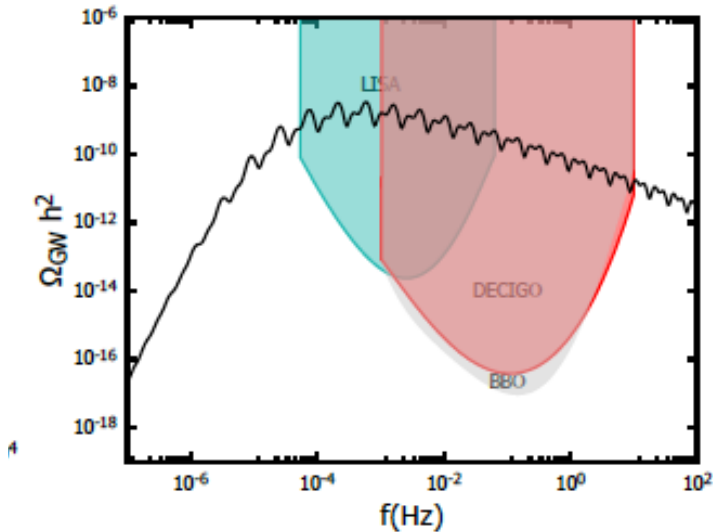
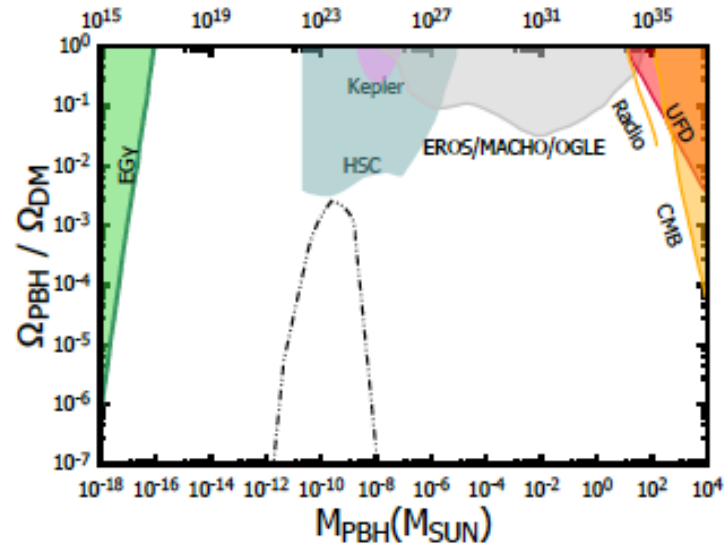
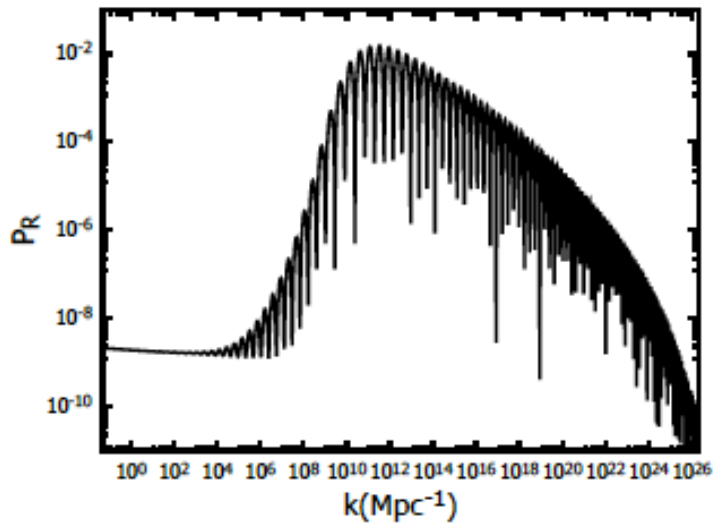
SET	g_1	g_2	ξ	$f(M_{Pl})$	$\Lambda_0(M_{Pl})$	$\Lambda_1(M_{Pl})$	$\Lambda_3(M_{Pl})$
1	0.021	0.904	-0.15	2.5×10^{-4}	8.4×10^{-4}	8.19×10^{-4}	2.32×10^{-4}
2	0.026	0.774	-0.20	2.5×10^{-4}	8.4×10^{-4}	7.89×10^{-4}	2.49×10^{-4}

SET	a_{ic}	b_{ic}	n_s	r
1	6.605	11.1	0.9638	0.062
2	4.932	11.4	0.9619	0.060

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SET 1



fractional PBH abundance

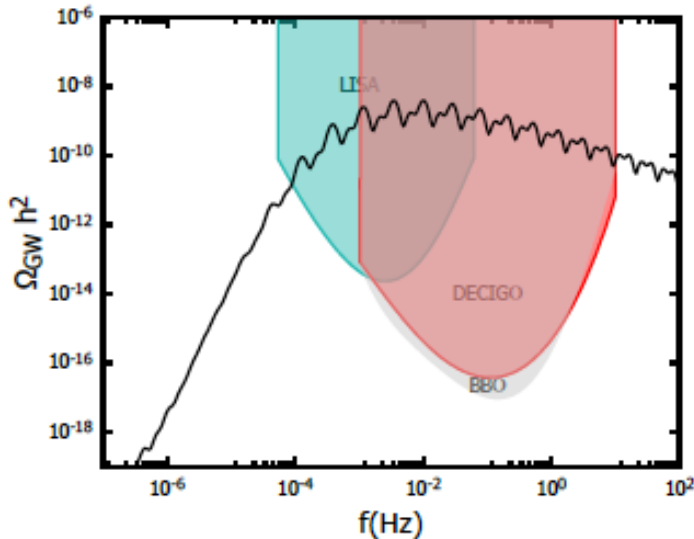
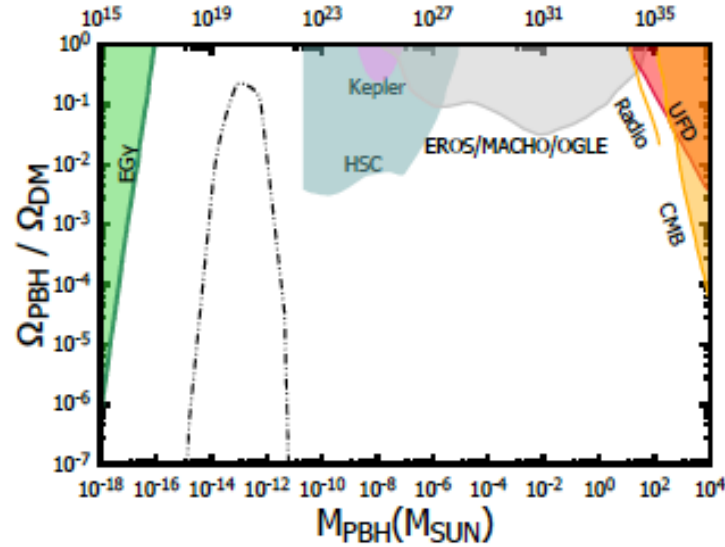
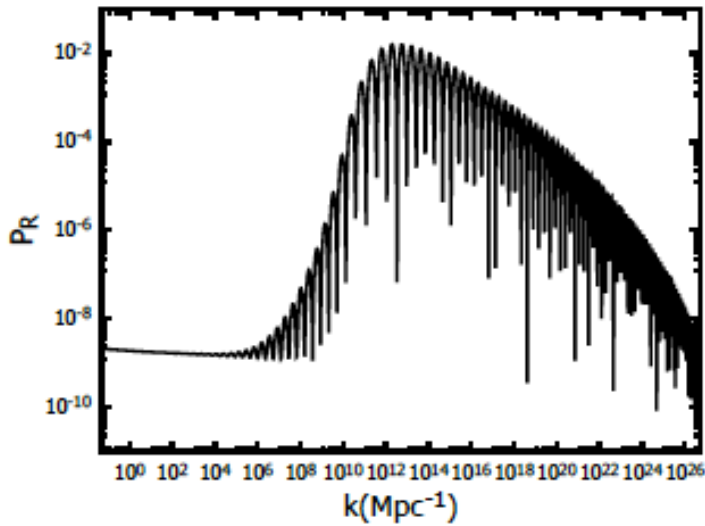
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$$f_{\text{PBH}} = 0.01$$

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SET 2



fractional PBH abundance

$$f_{PBH} = \int_k dM_{PBH}(k) \frac{1}{M_{PBH}(k)} \frac{\Omega_{PBH}}{\Omega_{DM}}(M_{PBH}(k))$$

$$f_{PBH} = 0.80.$$

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Case II

$$\Lambda_0 \ll \left(\frac{f_b}{f_a} + \frac{\Lambda_2^4}{f_a \Lambda_0^3} \right)^{1/3} \Lambda_0 < \Lambda_1$$

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$$\Lambda_0 = 8.4 \times 10^{-4} M_{\text{Pl}}, \quad g_1 = 110, \quad g_2 = 1.779 \times 10^4, \quad \xi = -0.09, \quad f = 0.09 M_{\text{Pl}}$$

SET 3 $(a_{ic}, b_{ic}) = 7.5622, 0.522.$

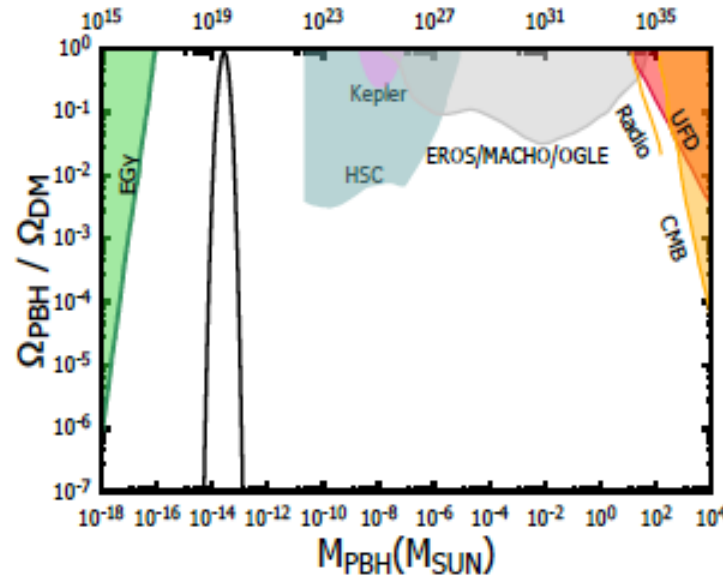
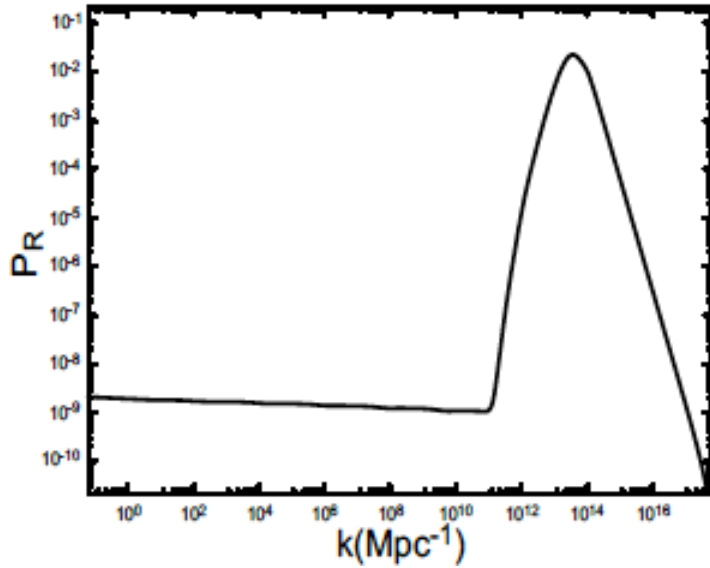
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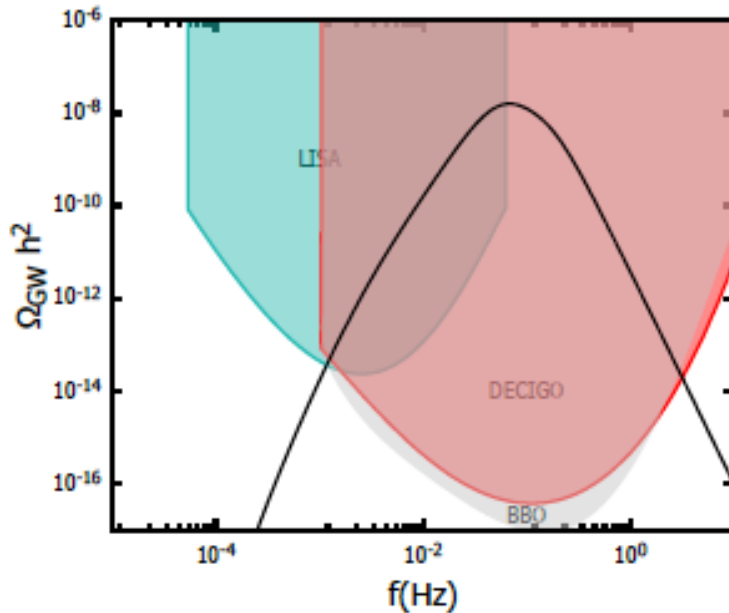
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enhanced production during inflation in **Case 2**

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SET 3



fractional PBH abundance

$$f_{PBH} = \int_k dM_{PBH}(k) \frac{1}{M_{PBH}(k)} \frac{\Omega_{PBH}}{\Omega_{DM}}(M_{PBH}(k))$$

$$f_{PBH} = 0.762$$

SUMMARY: Primordial Black Hole (PBH) and GW enhanced production during inflation in Cases 1 + 2

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SET	P_R^{peak}	$M_{PBH}^{peak}(M_\odot)$	f_{PBH}
1	1.466×10^{-2}	2.394×10^{-10}	0.009
2	1.365×10^{-2}	8.313×10^{-14}	0.799
3	2.24×10^{-2}	1.791×10^{-14}	0.762



Hence in both hierarchies of scales :

$$1: \left(\frac{f_b}{f_a} + \frac{\Lambda_2^4}{f_a \Lambda_0^3} \right)^{1/3} \Lambda_0 < \Lambda_1 \ll \Lambda_0, \quad 2: \Lambda_0 \ll \left(\frac{f_b}{f_a} + \frac{\Lambda_2^4}{f_a \Lambda_0^3} \right)^{1/3} \Lambda_0 < \Lambda_1$$

one may get **significant enhancement** of cosmic perturbations, and PBH production, and thus a **significant portion** of PBH could play **the role of DM**, also, as a result, **profiles of GW** could **change** during radiation, in principle **falsifiable predictions** at **interferometers**, **distinguishing 1 from 2**.

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15 year data
Release.
Origin of
GW background?



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Basilakos, NEM, Solà (2019-20)

Required by consistency of quantum theory of matter and radiation (**diffeomorphism invariance**)

$$S^{\text{eff}} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[-\frac{1}{2\kappa^2} R + \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu b \partial^\mu b + \frac{\alpha'}{\kappa} b(x) \nabla_\mu \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{1}{96} \mathcal{K}^\mu - \sqrt{\frac{3}{8}} J^{5\mu} \right) \right] + \dots$$

$$J^{5\mu} = \sum_j \bar{\Psi}_j \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \Psi_j$$

Chiral current, including RHN

$$\partial_\mu \left[\sqrt{-g} \left(\sqrt{\frac{3}{8}} \frac{\alpha'}{\kappa} J^{5\mu} - \frac{\alpha'}{\kappa} \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{1}{96} \mathcal{K}^\mu \right) \right] = \sqrt{\frac{3}{8}} \frac{\alpha'}{\kappa} \left(\frac{\alpha_{\text{EM}}}{2\pi} \sqrt{-g} F^{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}_{\mu\nu} + \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi} \sqrt{-g} G_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{G}^{a\mu\nu} \right)$$

chiral U(1)

Gluon QCD

instanton generated potential for KR axion b-field during matter dominance → axion Dark Matter

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Scale factor $a(t) \sim T^{-1}$

Possibly also QCD

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

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

Bossingham, NEM,
Sarkar