

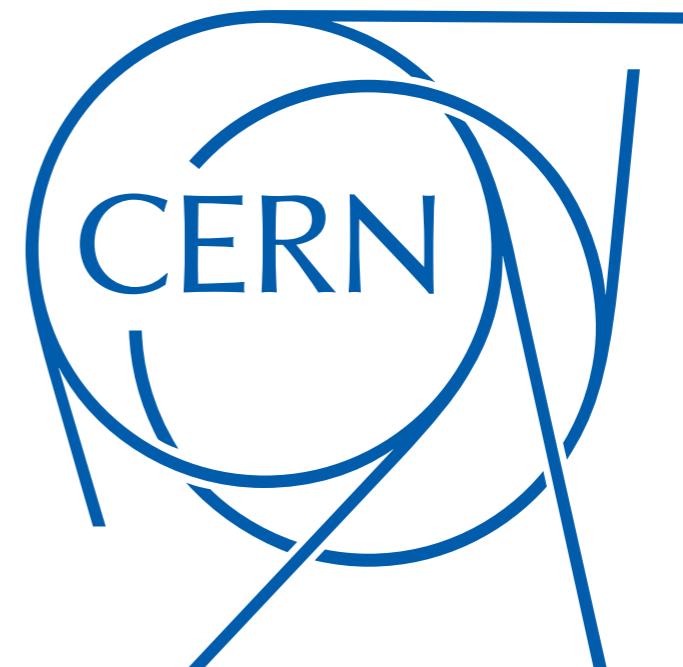
Particle Physics in the Gravitational Wave Era

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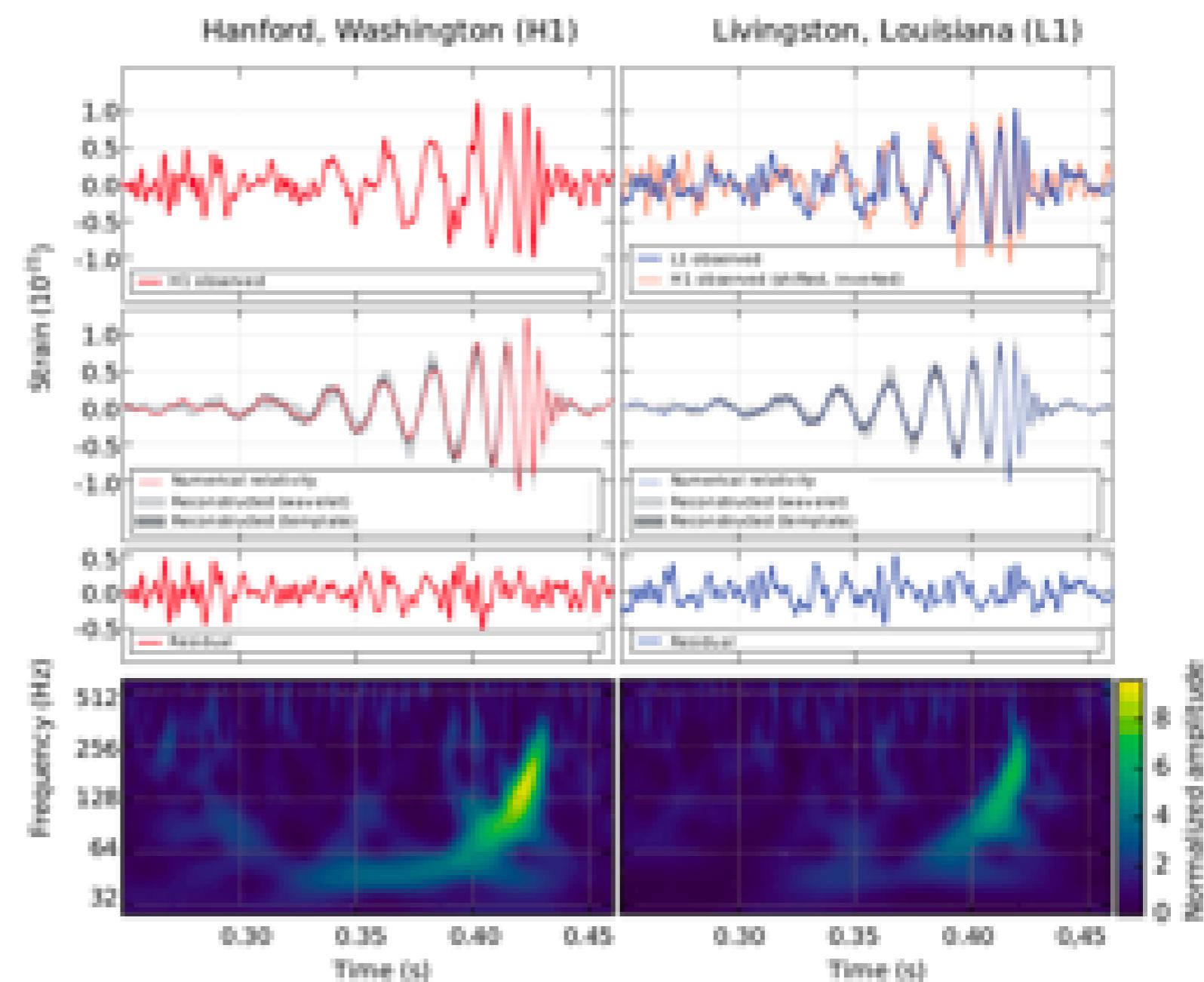
Motivation

*Brand new era of observational
cosmology and
astrophysics*

- Unique mediator

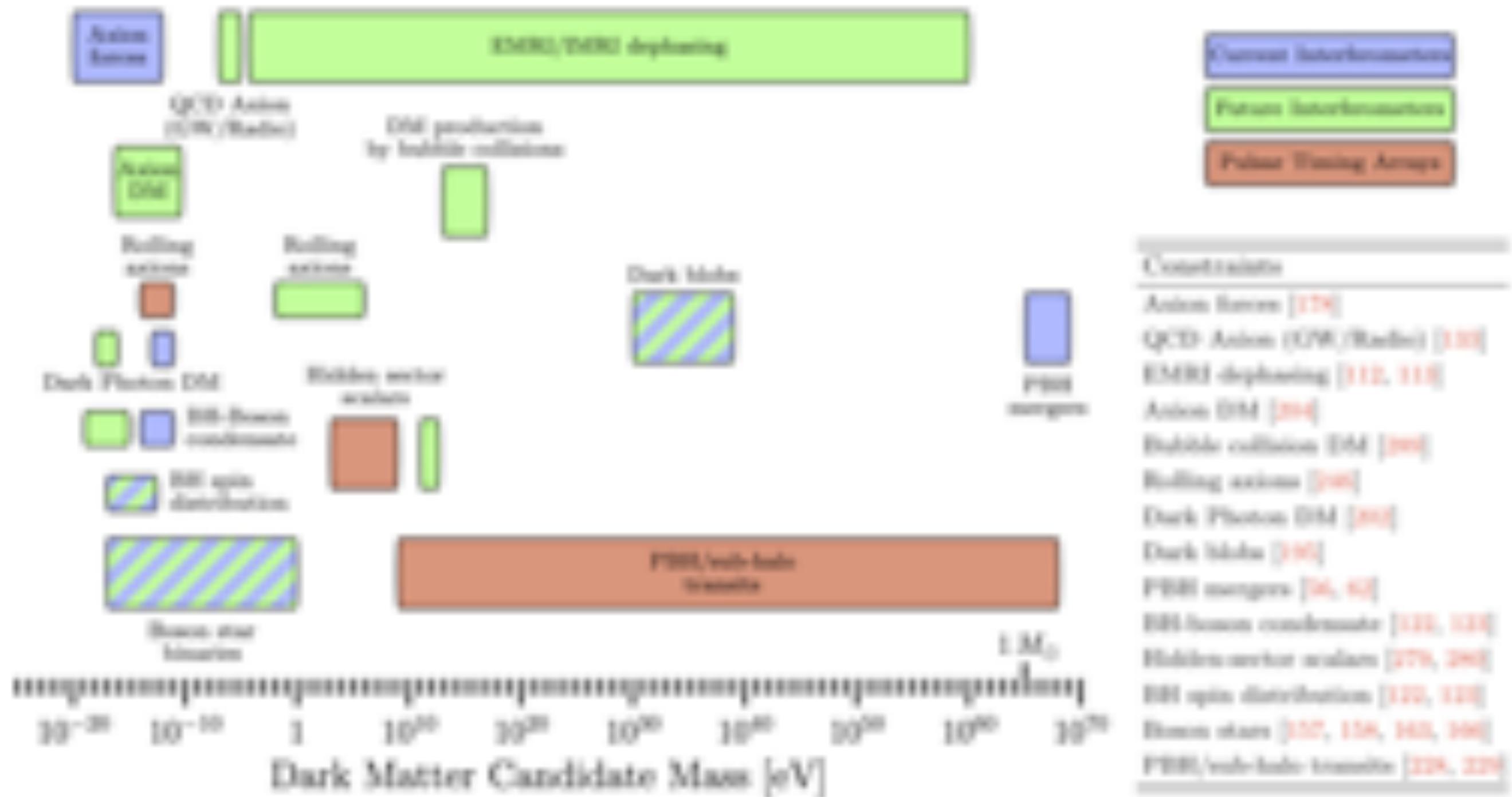
Universe transparent to GWs

Everything couples to gravity



[LIGO/VIRGO collaboration 1602.03837]

Example: GWs and Dark Matter



[Bertone, Croon, Amin, Boddy, Kavanagh, Mack, Natarajan, Opferkuch, Schutz, Takhistov, Weniger, and Yu 1907.10610]

Gravitational Wave Signals

Transient:

- Compact object mergers
 - ◆ BH–BH mergers
 - ◆ NS–NS mergers
 - ◆ NS–BH mergers
 - ◆ Extreme mass-ratio inspirals
 - ◆ Super-massive BH mergers
 - ◆ Exotic compact objects
- GW bursts
 - ◆ Binary formation?
 - ◆ Highly elliptical binary orbits

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- Sum of unresolved transient signals
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Part I: Long-range Forces and Neutron Star Binaries

Based on:

"Probing Muonic Forces with Neutron Star Binaries"
Jeff Dror, Ranjan Laha and Toby Opferkuch 1909.12845

"Cuckoo's Eggs in Neutron Stars: Can LIGO Hear Chirps from the Dark Sector?"
Joachim Kopp, Ranjan Laha, Toby Opferkuch and William Shepherd 1807.02527
JHEP 1811 (2018) 096

Motivation

- Post-Newton inspiral phase:

$\mathcal{O}(.15)$ sec for $30M_{\odot}$ BH–BH

$\mathcal{O}(30)$ sec for $1.4M_{\odot}$ NS–NS

- Sensitivity to:

- ◆ Modifications of gravity

[Sagunski et. al. 1709.06634]

- ◆ Fifth forces (e.g. axionic forces)

[Hook, Huang 1708.08464]

- ◆ Forces coupled only to DM [back-up slides]

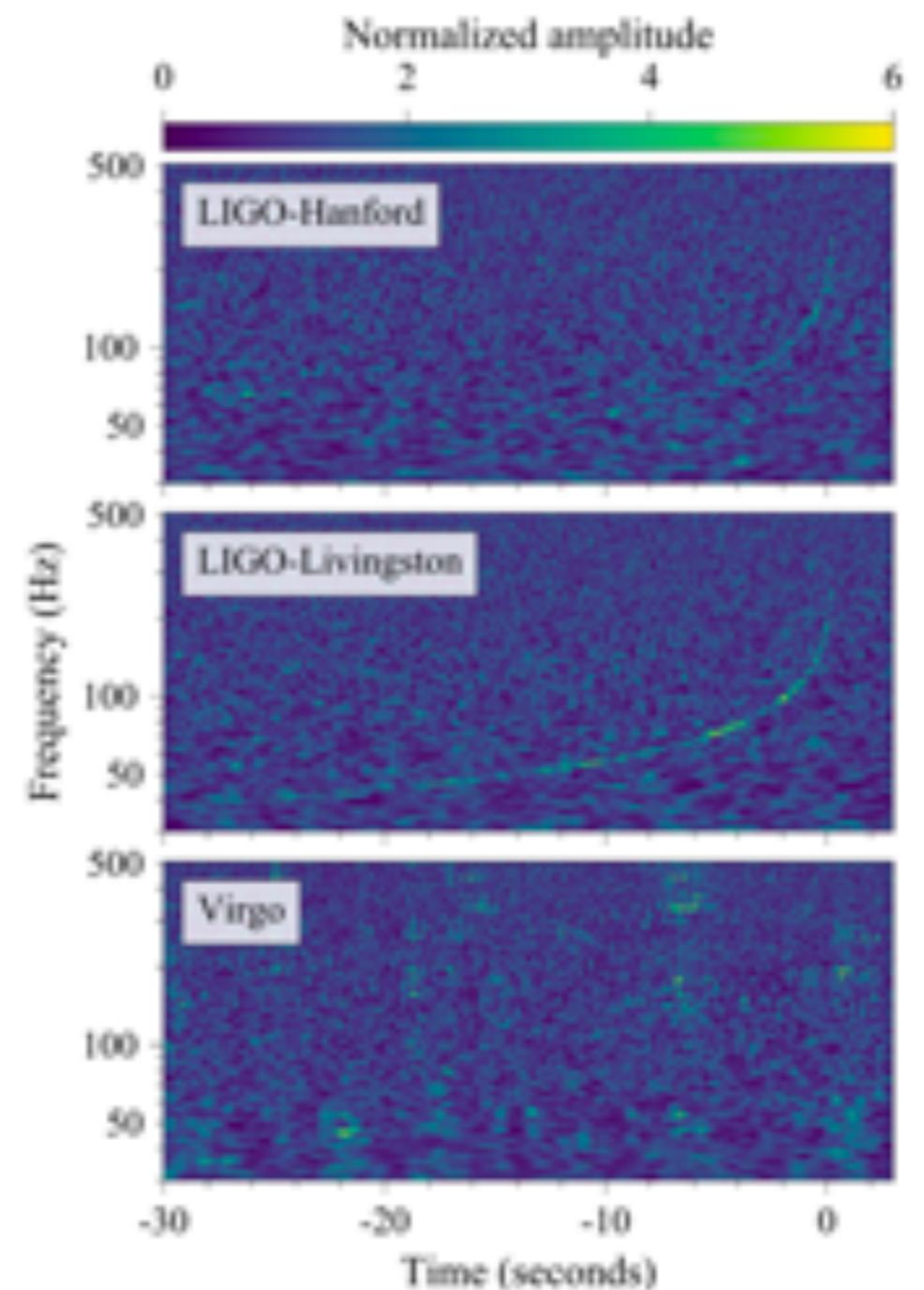
[Croon et. al. 1711.02096, Alexander et. al. 1808.05286]

[Fabbrichesi & Urbano 1902.07914]

- ◆ Muonic Forces [This talk]

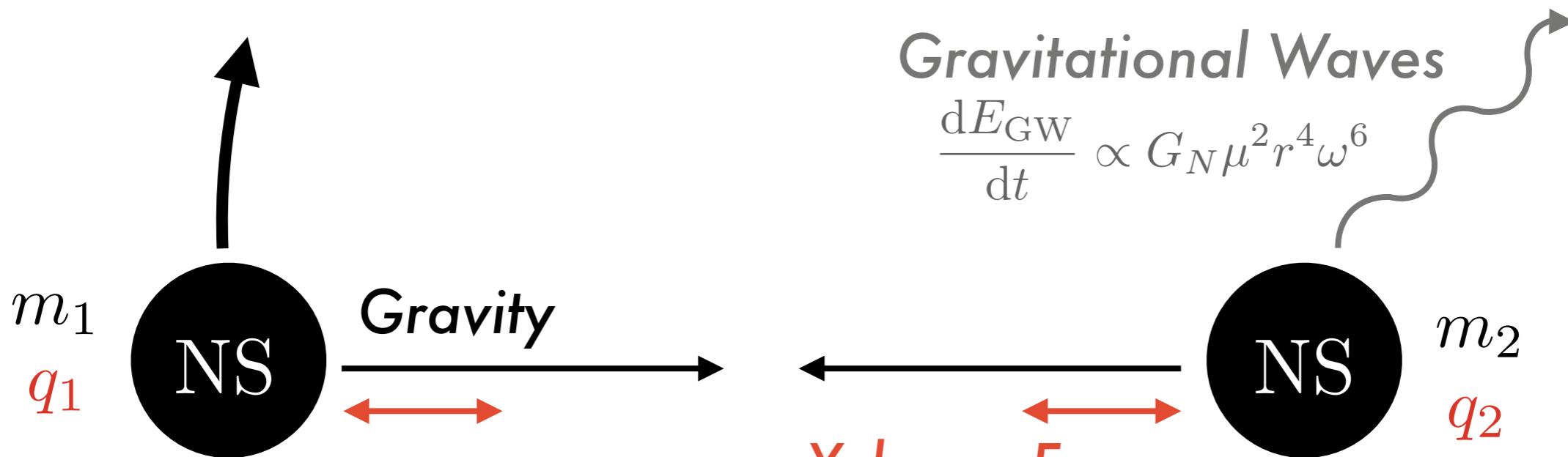
- Two key effects: $m_{\text{med}} \lesssim 10^{-10} \text{ eV}$

1. Yukawa force
2. Dipole radiation



[LIGO/VIRGO
collaboration
1710.05832]

Yukawa Force



$$|\mathbf{F}(r)| = \frac{G_N m_1 m_2}{r^2} [1 + \alpha e^{-m_V r} (1 + m_V r)]$$

Here:

$$\left[\alpha \equiv \frac{g'^2}{4\pi G_N m_1 m_2} \frac{q_1 q_2}{m_1 m_2} \right]$$

Equating: $\frac{dE_{\text{tot}}}{dt} = -\frac{dE_{\text{GW}}}{dt}$

$$\underset{m_V \rightarrow 0}{\Rightarrow} \frac{d\omega}{dt} = \frac{96}{5} (G_N \mathcal{M}_c)^{5/3} (1 + \alpha)^{2/3} \omega^{11/3}$$

$\overbrace{\quad\quad\quad}^{\widetilde{\mathcal{M}}_c = \mathcal{M}_c(1 + \alpha)^{2/5}}$

Degenerate
[effective shift
in chirp mass]

Yukawa Force

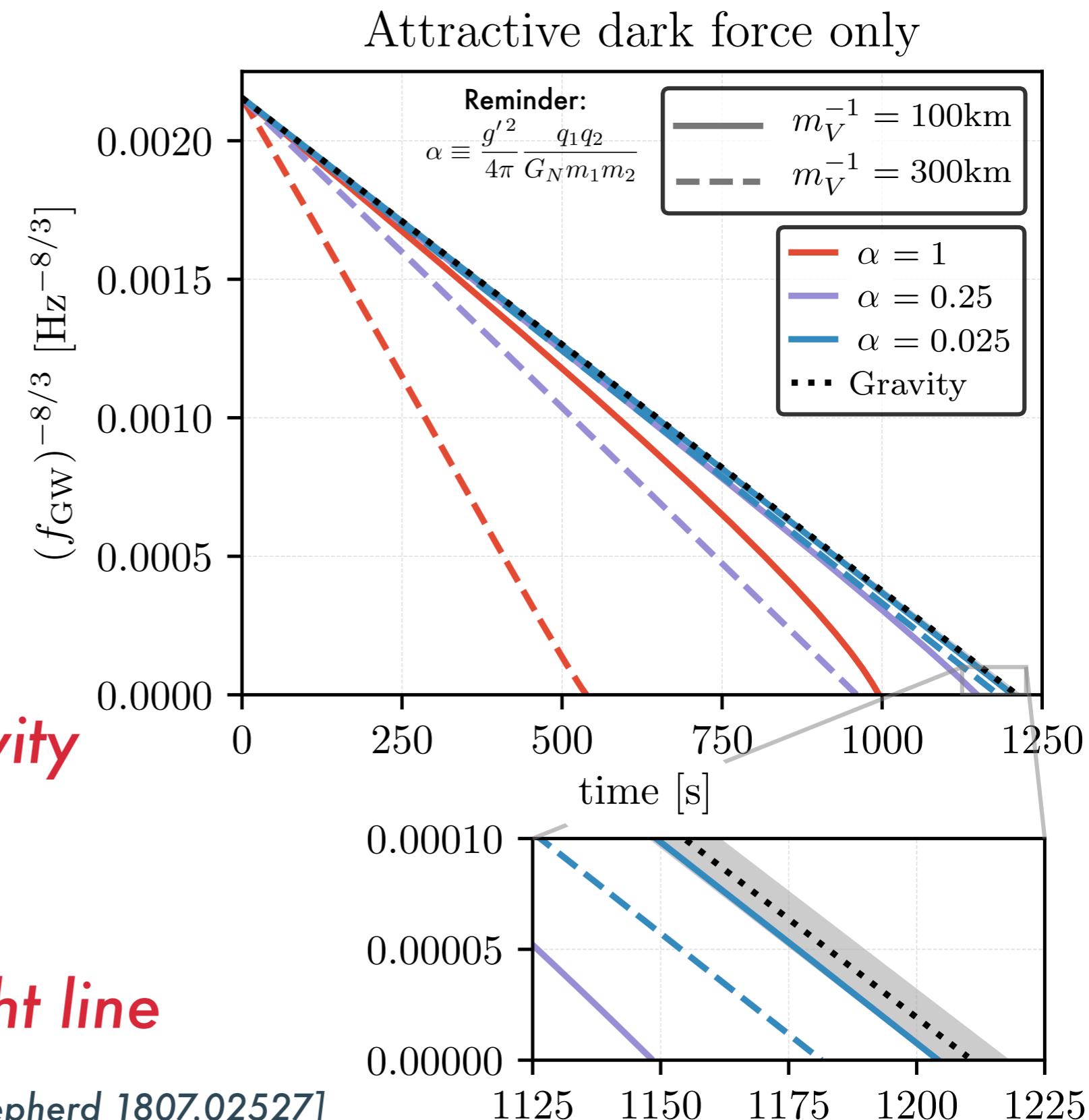
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- Two cases:
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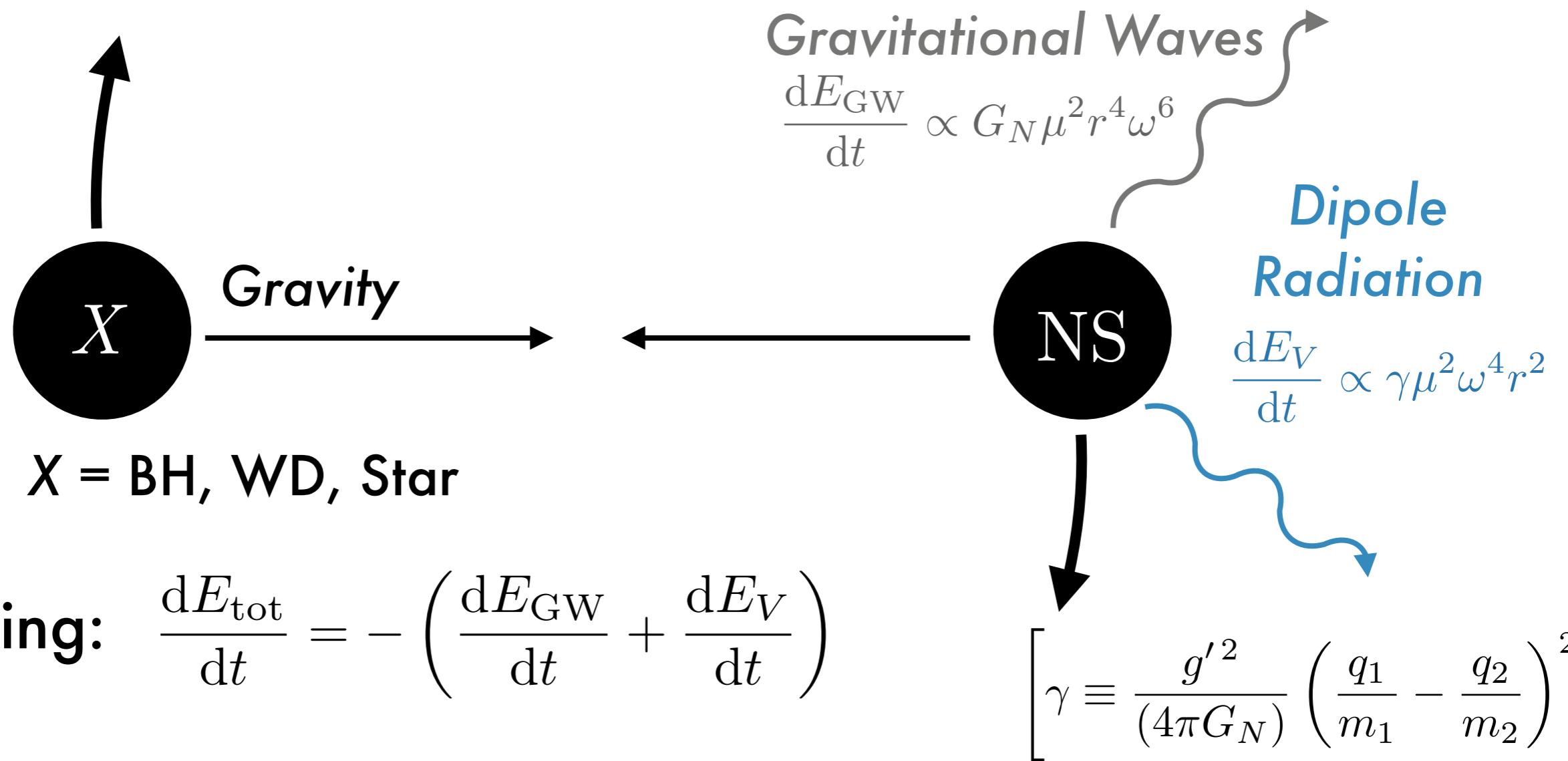
Degenerate with gravity

2. $m_V^{-1} \lesssim \mathcal{O}(300 \text{ km})$

Deviation from straight line



Dipole Radiation



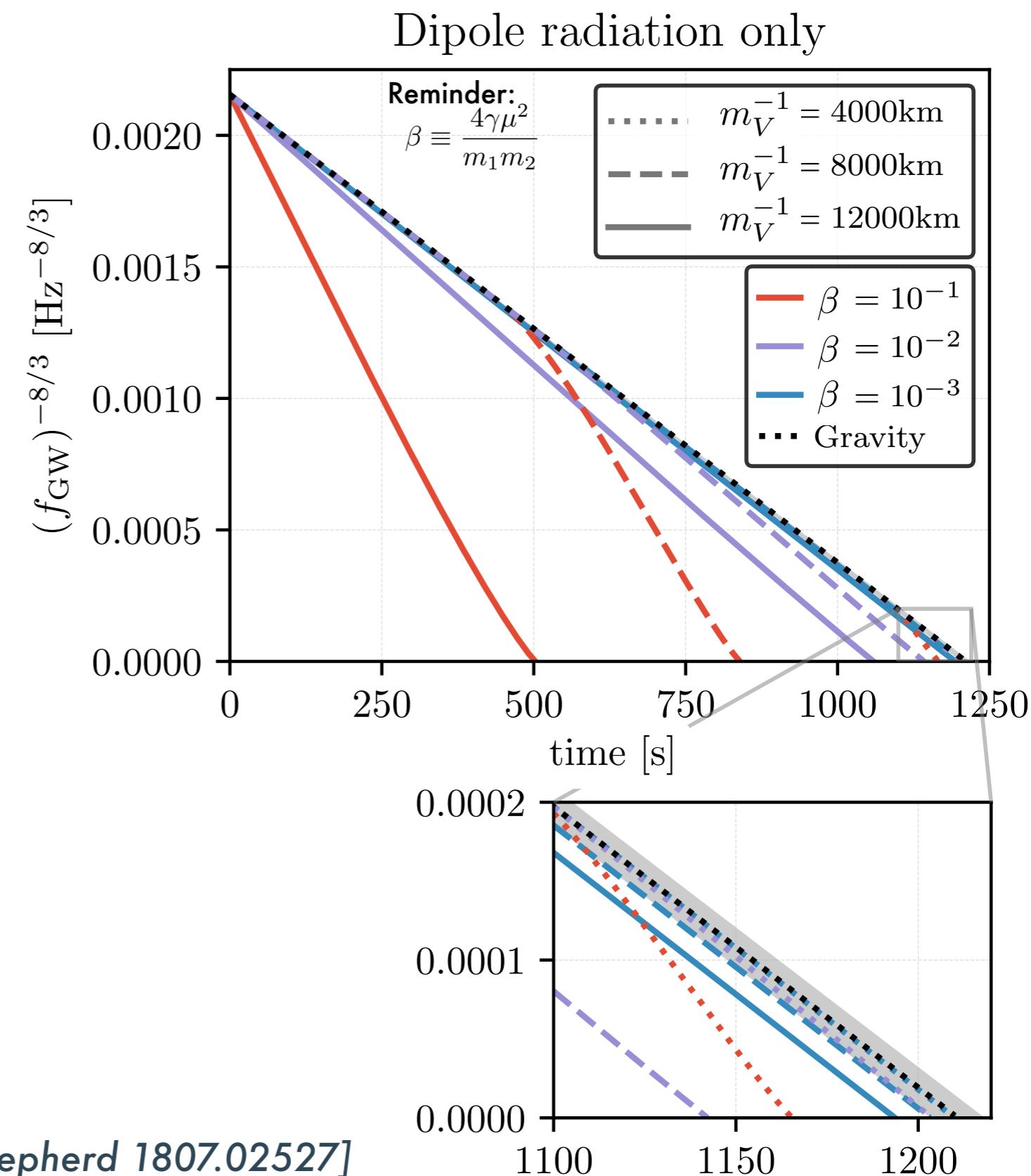
$$\frac{d\omega}{dt} = \frac{96}{5} (G_N M_c)^{5/3} \omega^{11/3} + \frac{1}{2} G_N M \beta \omega^3 \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \sqrt{1 - \frac{m_V^2}{\omega^2}} \left[1 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{m_V^2}{\omega^2} \right] \right\}$$

↑
Alternate scaling with frequency

$$\left[\beta \equiv \frac{4\gamma \mu^2}{m_1 m_2} \right]$$

Dipole Radiation

- Waveform enters LIGO sensitivity band when $r \sim 750$ km
- Alternate scaling of the dipole contribution:
 - 1. Sensitivity to much lighter masses*
 - 2. Easier to distinguish from GR only*



Leptons in Neutron Star Cores

- Leptons described as a non-interacting Fermi-gas
- Determine $n_e(r)$ given nucleon density that minimises the total free energy and the following:

1. Weak processes in equilibrium i.e., n, p, e^- abundance

$$\implies \mu_e(r) + \mu_p(r) + \mu_n(r) = 0$$

NB: neutrinos escape (cold NS)

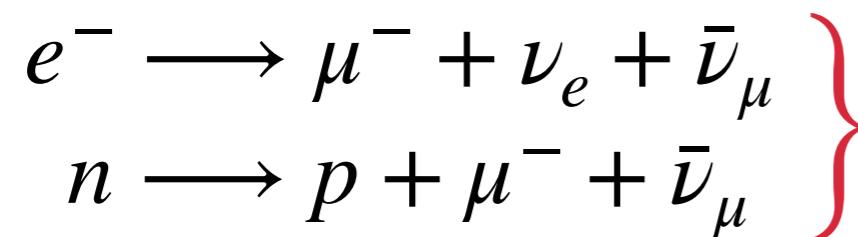
Reminder: $\mu_i(r) \equiv \sqrt{m_i^2 + k_{F,i}^2}$
for a non-interacting Fermi-gas

2. Local charge neutrality

$$\implies n_e(r) = n_p(r)$$

Leptons in Neutron Star Cores

- As electron density increases: $k_{F,e} = (3\pi^2 n_e)^{1/3} \gtrsim m_\mu$



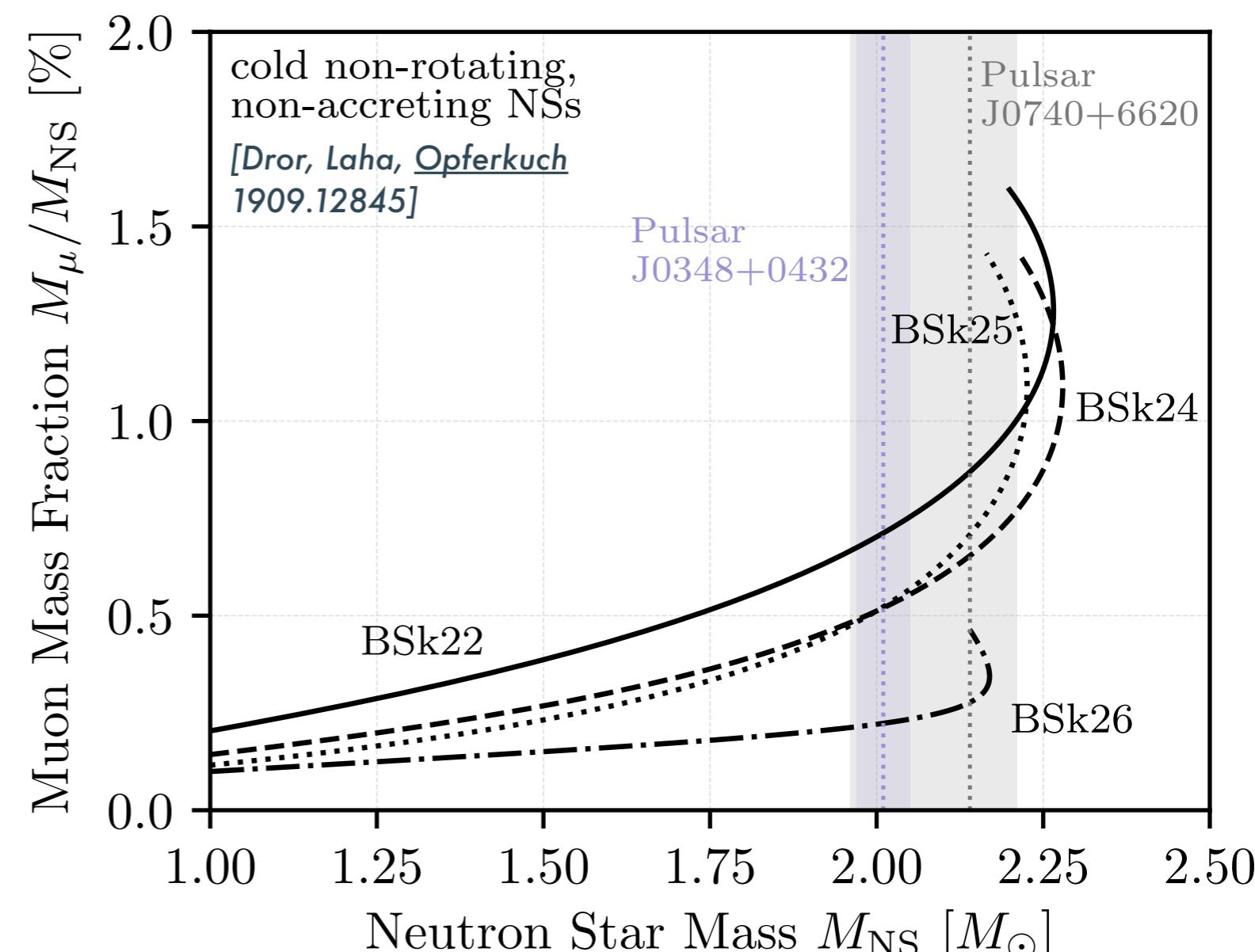
Kinematically allowed

- In the SM the number density follows:

$$\mu_e(r) + \mu_\mu(r) = 0$$

- Pauli-blocking due to high electron density forbids muon decay

Over 10^{27} kg worth of 'stable' muons



[NS equations of state taken from Pearson et. al. 1903.04981]

Muons & New Forces

- New long-range forces relevant for NS binary mergers induce unscreened self-interactions of the muons

$$\mu_e(r) + \mu_\mu(r) + U_\mu(r) = 0$$

requires solving a non-linear integral equation for $n_\mu(r)$

where

$$U_\mu(r) = \frac{g'^2}{4\pi} \int_{\infty}^r dr' \frac{1}{r'^2} \int_0^{r'} dr'' 4\pi n_\mu(r'')$$

- Effect becomes relevant when

$$\int dV E_\mu^2 \sim \mu_e N_e \implies N_\mu \propto \frac{1}{g'} \text{ for } g' > 10^{-18}$$

Maximum muonic charge saturated at $g' \sim 10^{-18}$

Constraints on Gauged $L_\mu - L_\tau$

- Prototype example: ultra-light gauged $U(1)_{L_\mu - L_\tau}$

$$\mathcal{L} \supset g' V_\alpha (\bar{\mu} \gamma^\alpha \mu - \bar{\tau} \gamma^\alpha \tau + \bar{\nu}_\mu \gamma^\alpha \nu_\mu - \bar{\nu}_\tau \gamma^\alpha \nu_\tau)$$

[see for example He, Joshi, Volkas 1991,
Altmannshofer, Gori, Pospelov, Yavin 1403.1269]

- Calculate GW waveform (including GR-only PN corrections)

[Requires expanding in α and β]

- Fisher-matrix analysis to determine 1σ upper-limits

Invert the matrix:

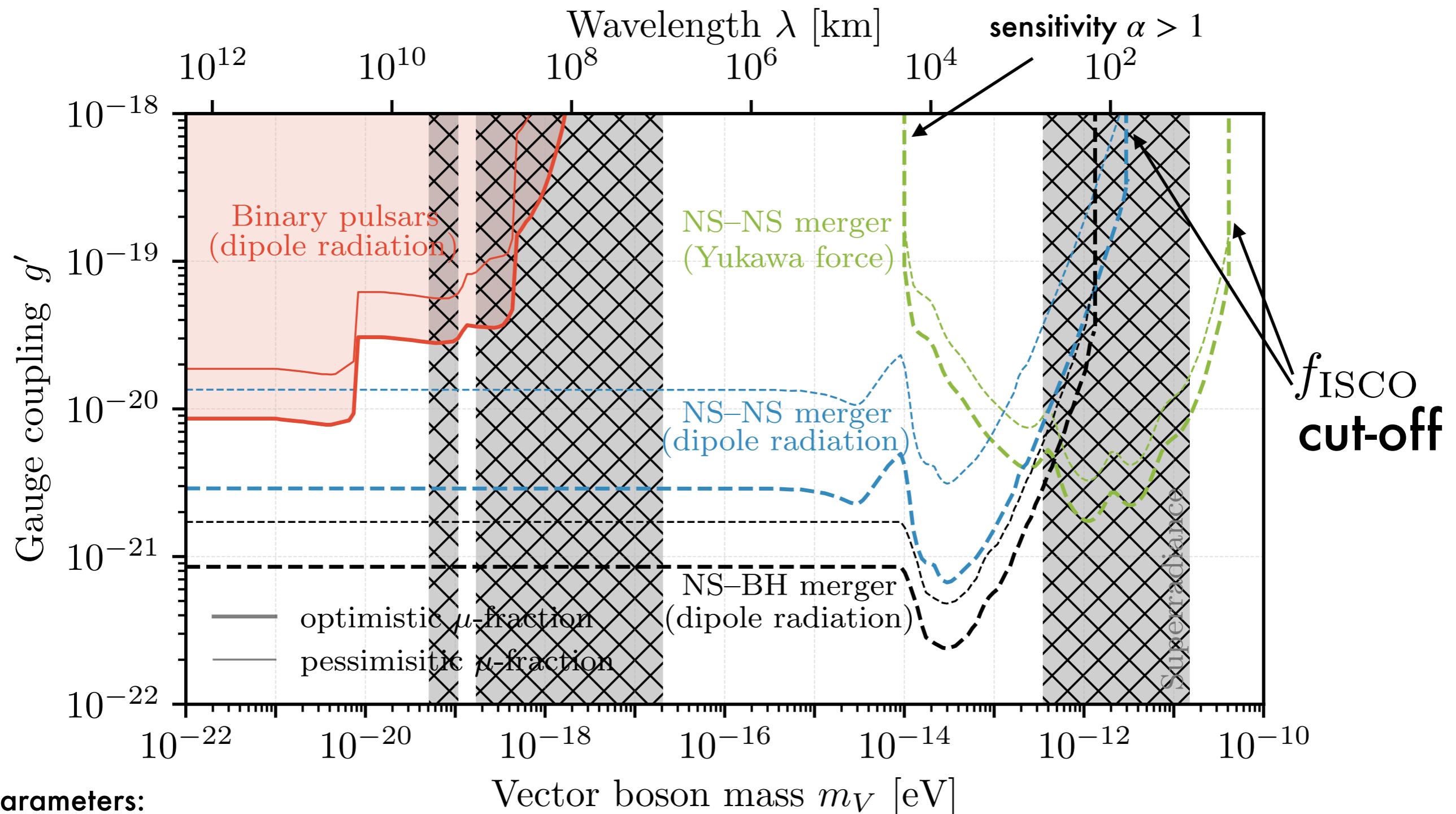
$$\Gamma_{ab} \equiv \left(\begin{array}{c|c} \frac{\partial h}{\partial \theta^a} & \frac{\partial h}{\partial \theta^b} \end{array} \right)$$

with

Pred. GW waveform

$$(h_1 | h_2) \equiv 4 \operatorname{Re} \int_{f_{\text{low}}}^{f_{\text{high}}} \frac{\tilde{h}_1 \tilde{h}_2^*}{S_n(f')} df'$$

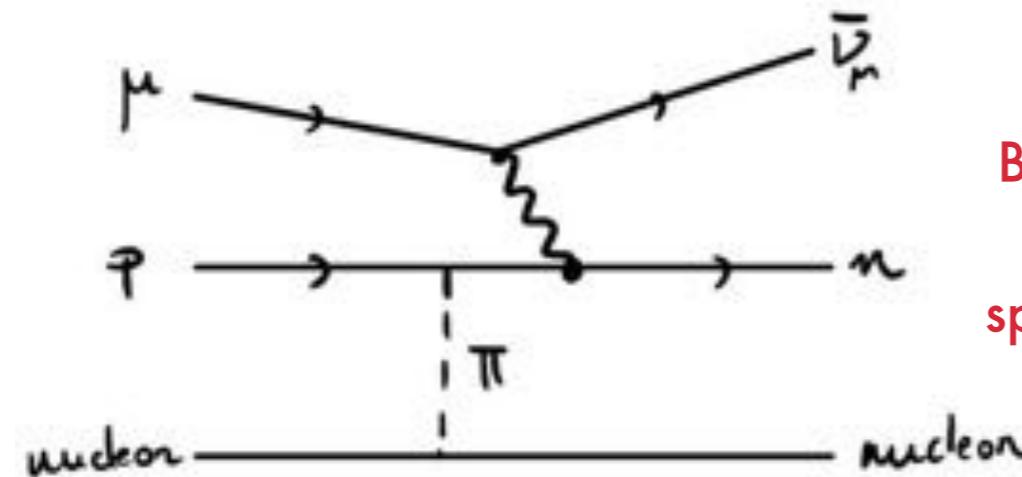
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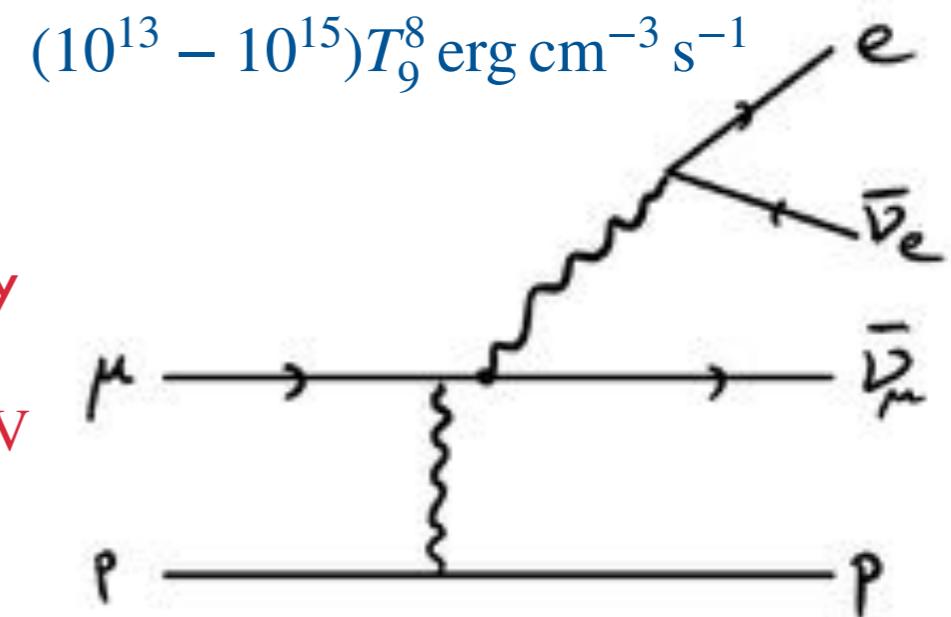
Neutrinos from NS Muons

- Large Fermi-energy of electrons and muons implies spectators required for energy and momentum conservation

Rates: $(10^{18} - 10^{21})T_9^8 \text{ erg cm}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$



Both lead to nearly thermal neutrino spectra $T_{\text{NS}} \ll \text{MeV}$



[Yakovlev et. al astro-ph/0012122]

- Muon diffusion from Pauli-blocked to free region ($k_{F,e} < m_\mu$)
 - Non-thermal spectrum $E_\nu \sim 10 - 40 \text{ MeV}$
 - Detectable with future neutrino experiments for $t_{\text{NS}} \sim 1 - 15 \text{ years old NS @ 1 kpc}$

[Work in progress - Kopp, Opferkuch]

Part I: Take Home Message

- Neutron stars are fantastic probes of long-range forces
[In particular for cases where fifth-force experiments are not applicable]
- Huge inevitable abundance of muons in neutron stars screams out to be used as a new BSM laboratory!
[For example NS/SN cooling due to new physics coupled to muons]

Part II: Ricci Reheating

Based on:

"Ricci Reheating"
Toby Opferkuch, Pedro Schwaller and Ben A. Stefanek 1905.06823

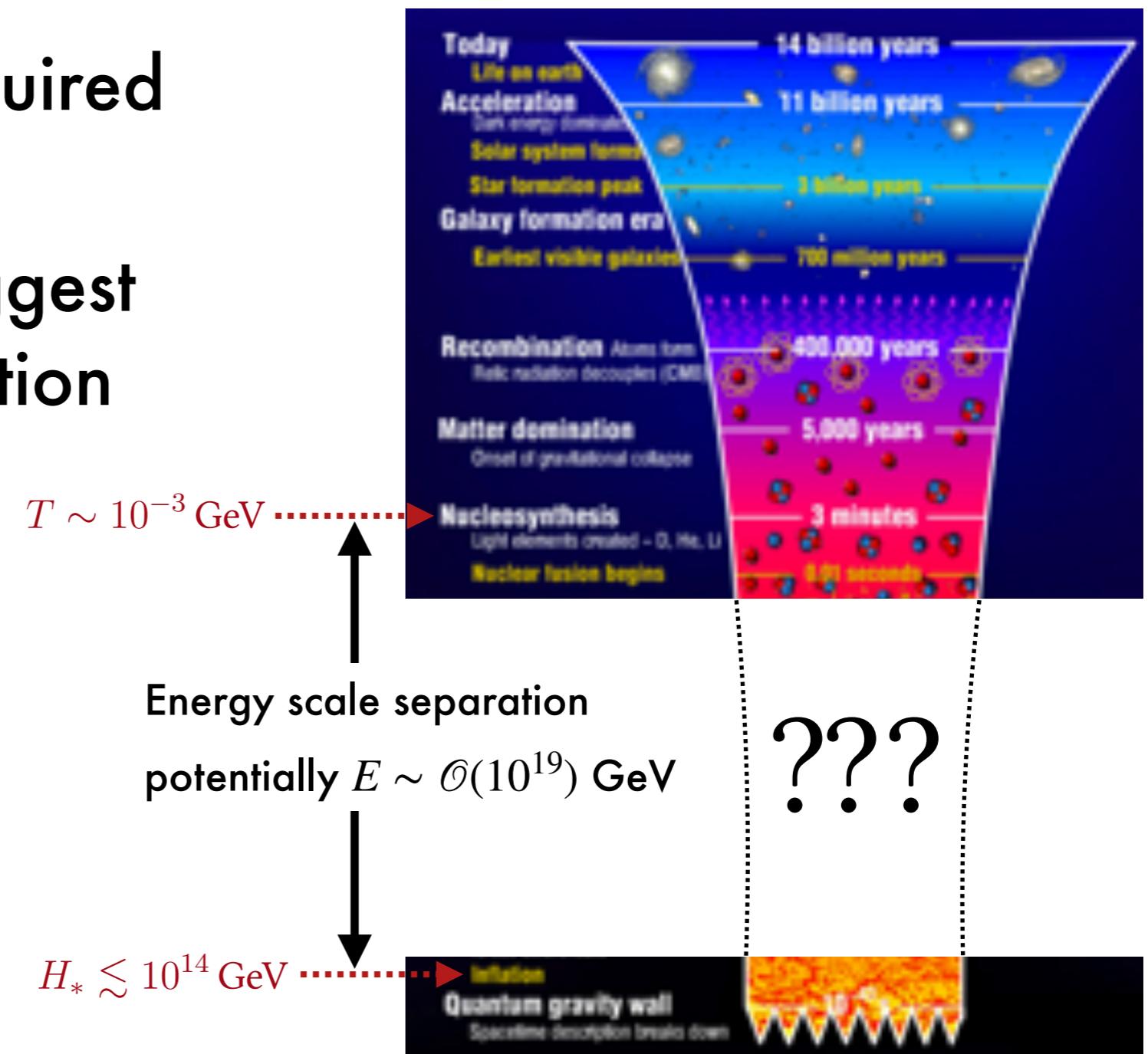
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What do we know about the Universe?

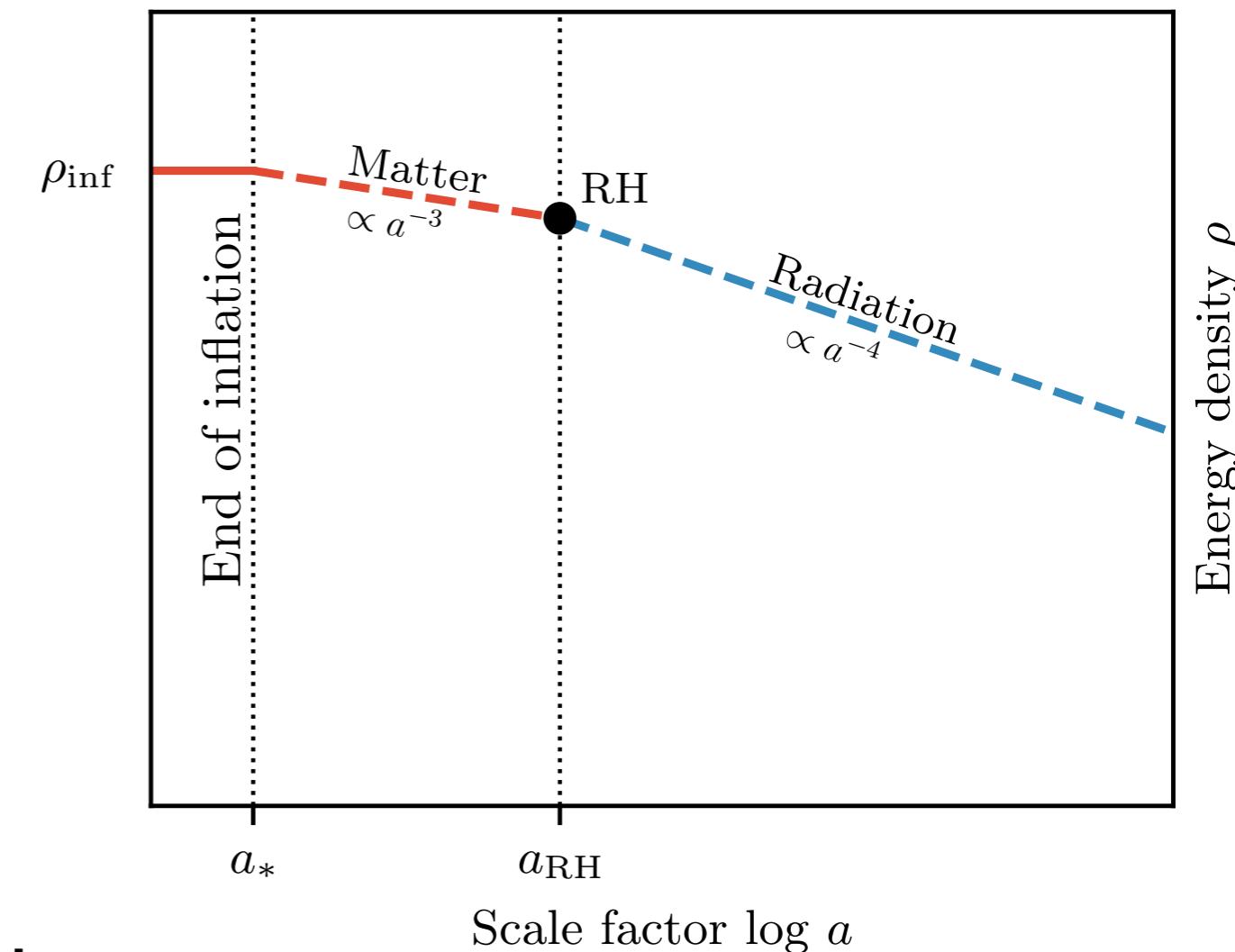
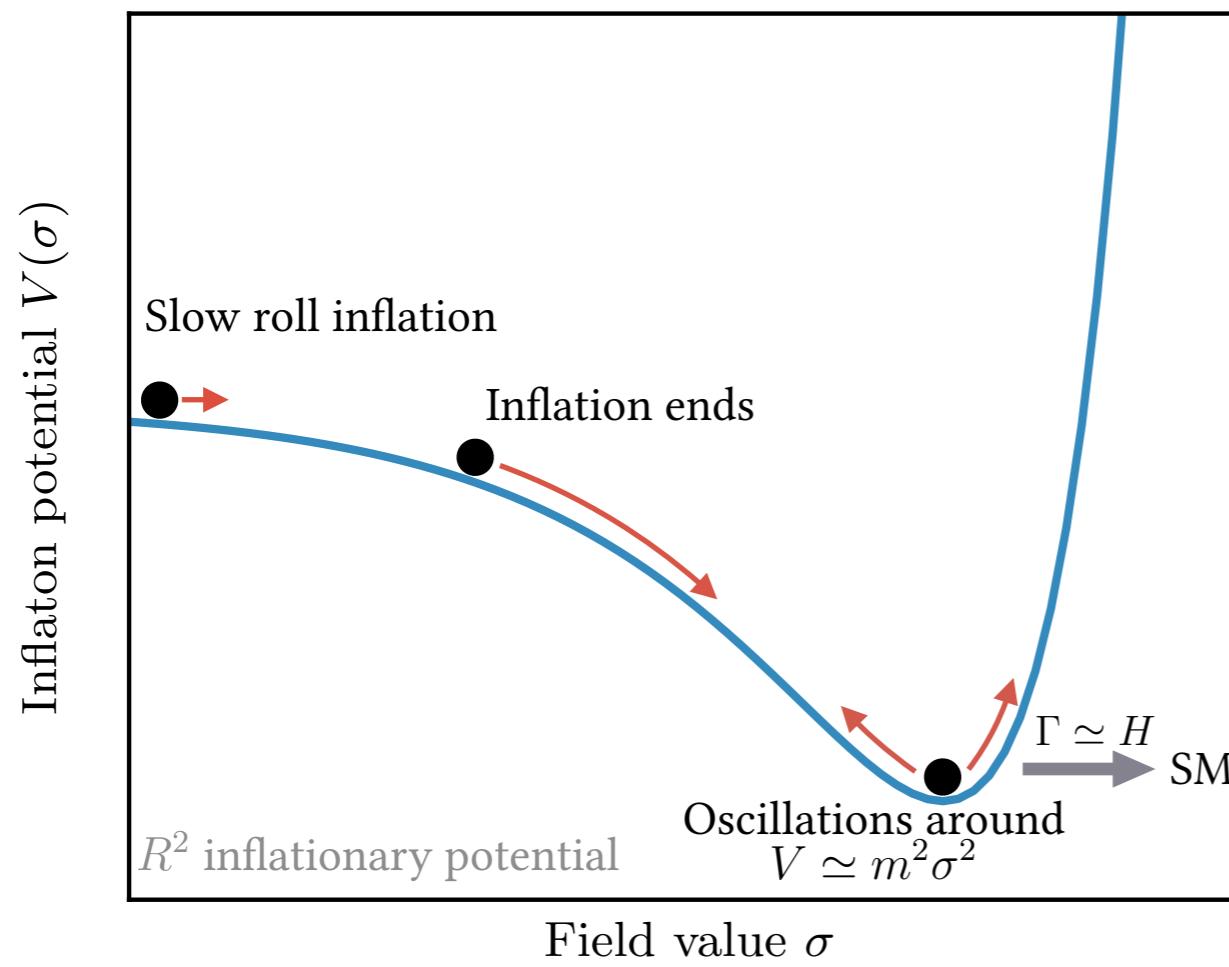
- Hot thermal plasma required for nucleosynthesis
- CMB measurements suggest a period of cosmic inflation

Possible connections between the SM and the inflationary sector?

Can gravitational waves help probe this desert?



Standard Inflation Picture



Couplings between the inflaton and SM sector completely determine reheating temperature and dynamics

$$T_{RH} \propto \sqrt{\Gamma M_P}$$

Does the inflaton require couplings to SM fields?

Gravitational Reheating

[L. H. Ford 87]

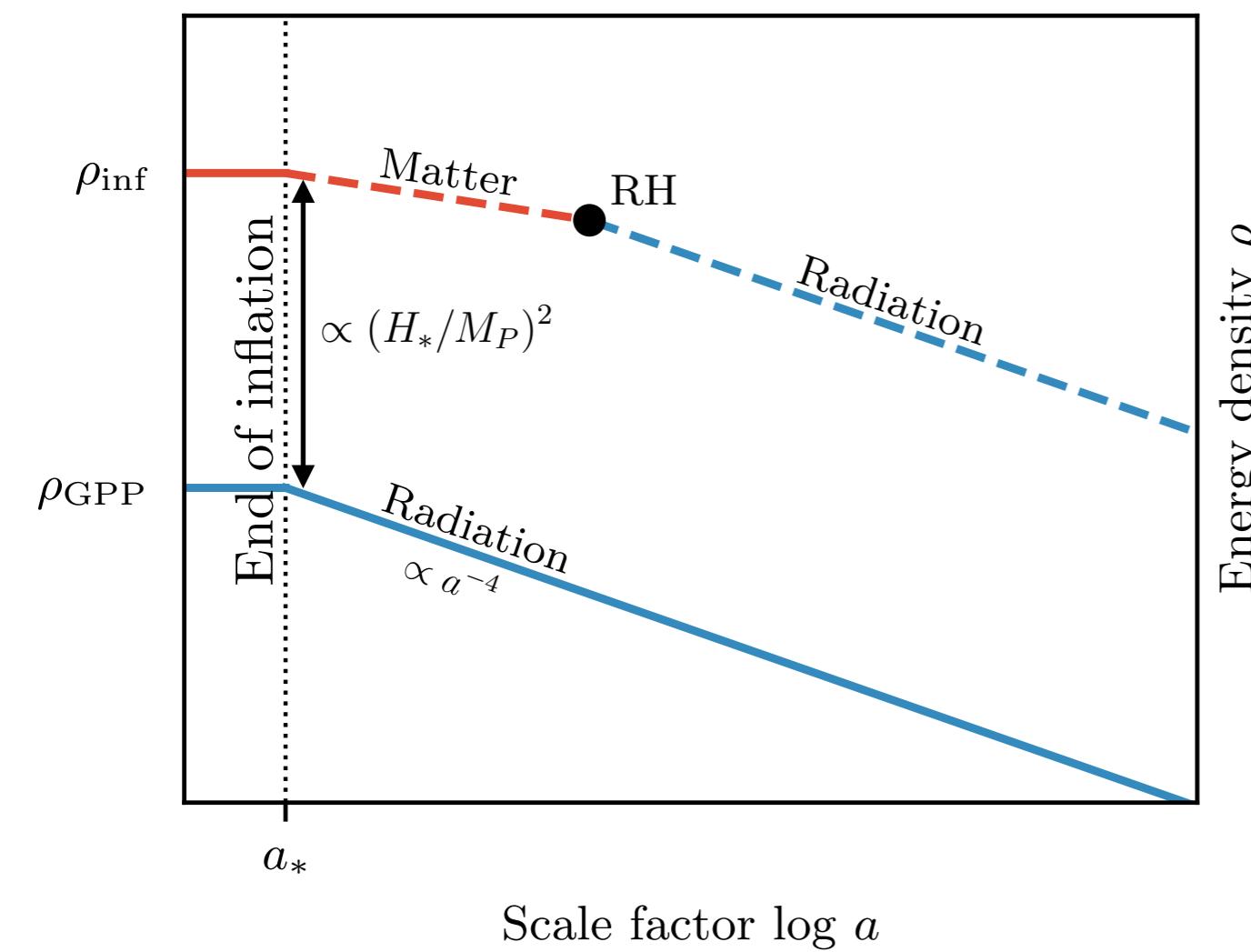
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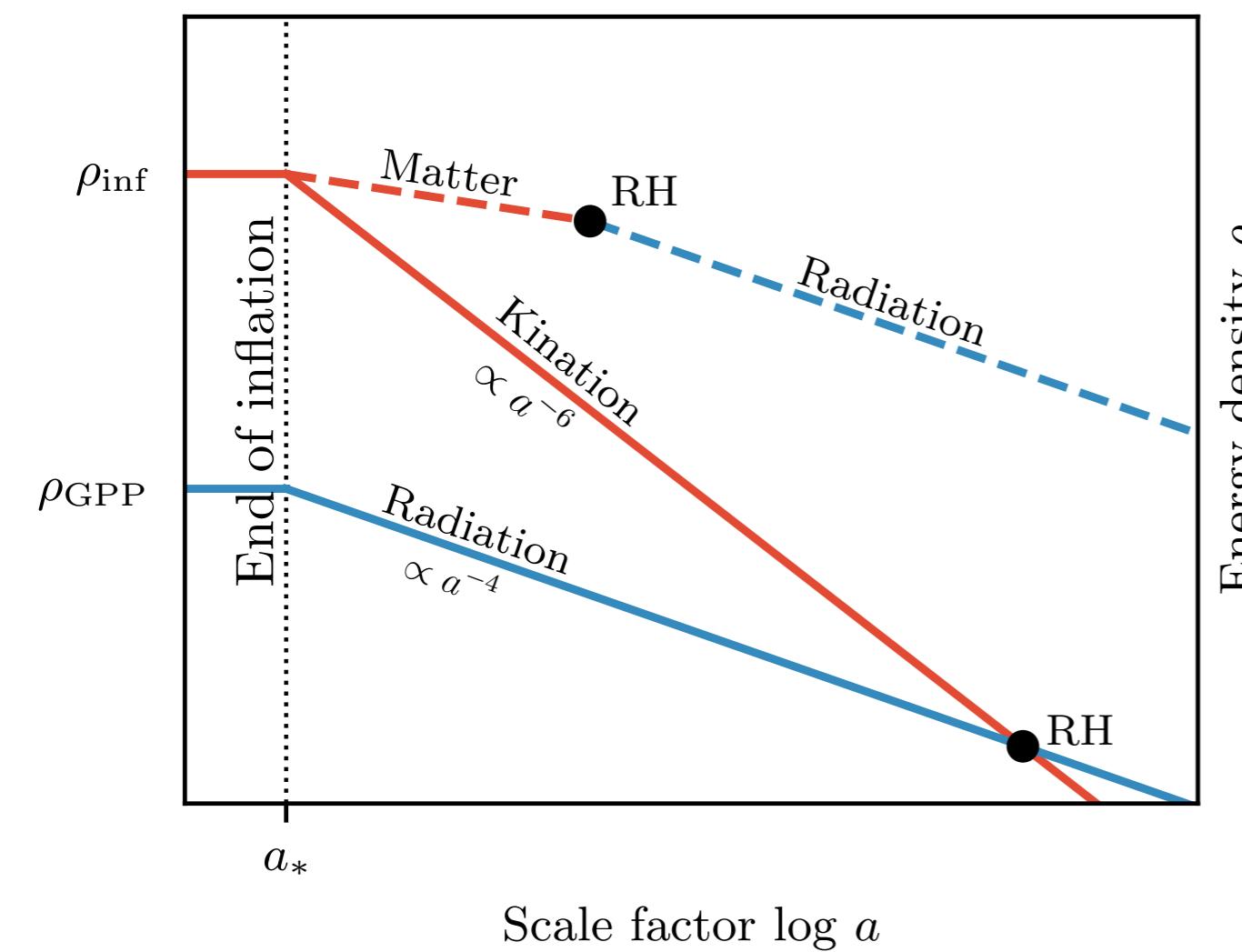
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[L. H. Ford 86, Spokoiny 93]

$$w = \frac{K - V}{K + V}$$

Reminder:

$w = -1$	Inflation/CC
$w = 0$	Matter
$w = 1/3$	Radiation
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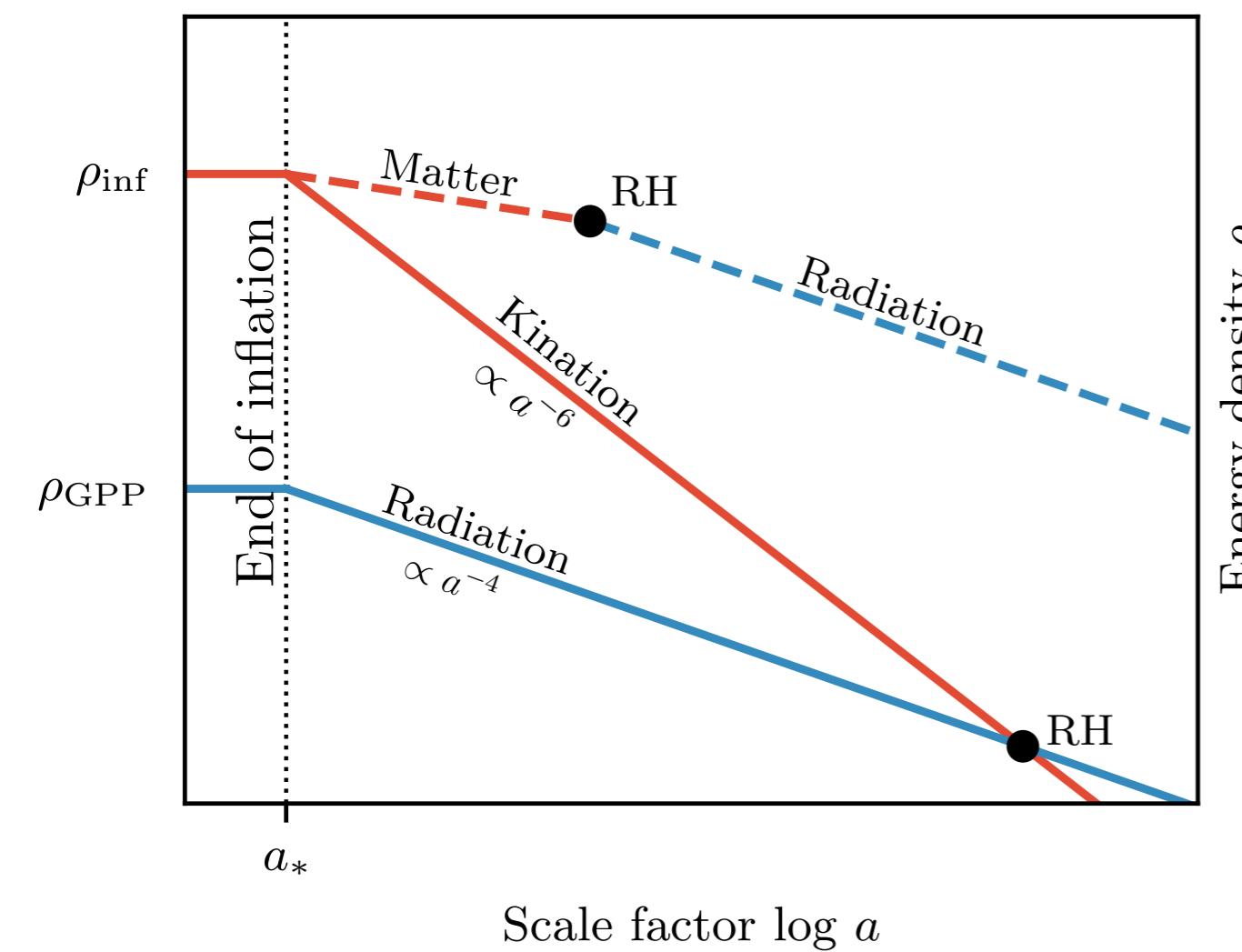
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$$w = \frac{K - V}{K + V} \stackrel{V \rightarrow 0}{=} 1$$

- Example potentials with $w > 1/3$

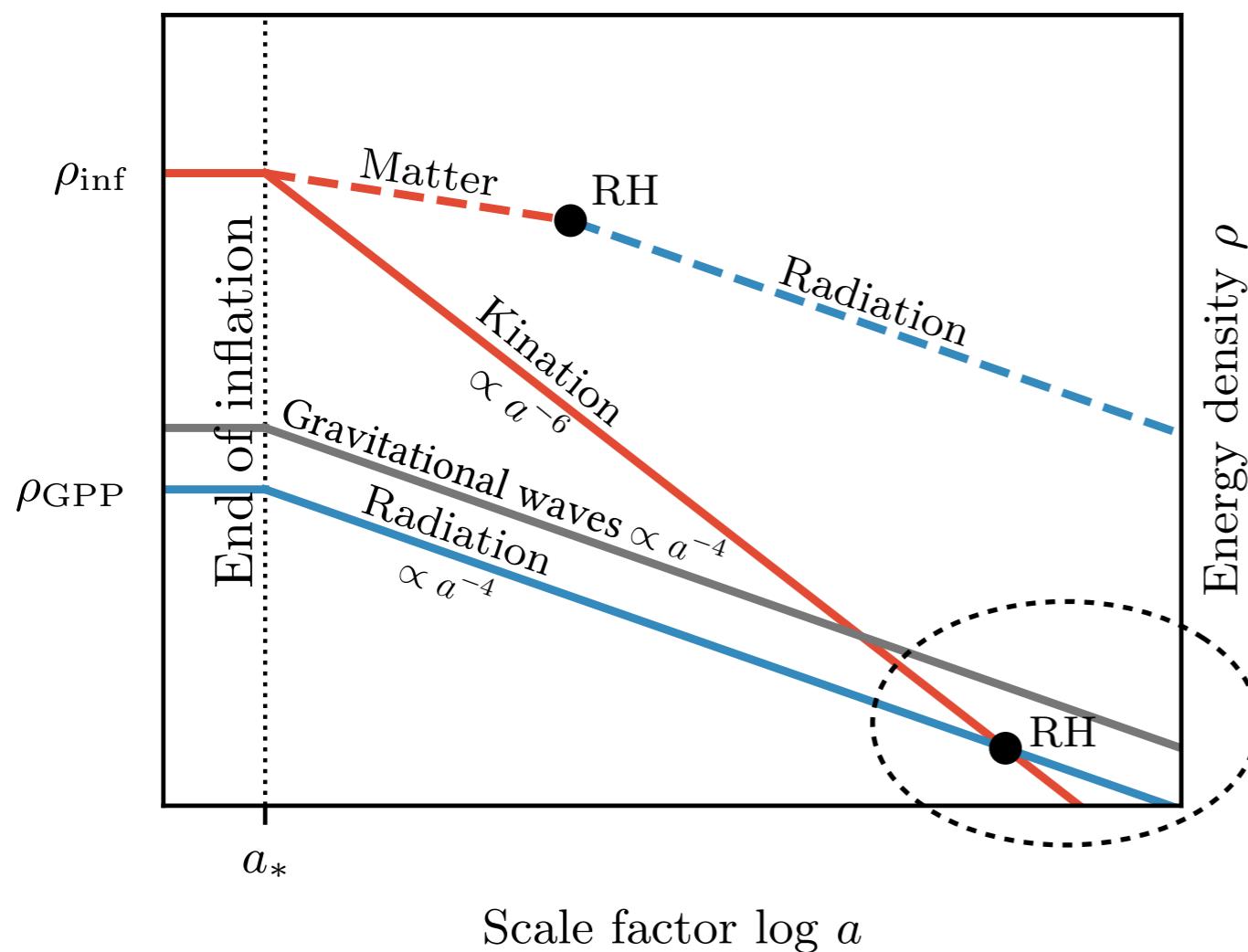
→ $V = \phi^{2n}$, with $n > 2$

→ Non-oscillatory potentials



Inconsistency of Grav. Reheating

[D. Figueroa & E. H. Tanin 1811.04093]



The very same mechanism produces gravitational waves!

- GWs inside the horizon scale as radiation (a^{-4})
- Dominate over radiation produced
- BBN is rather difficult with $\rho_{\text{GW}} > \rho_{\text{rad}}$

Ways out?

- Additional spectator fields $\mathcal{O}(100)$
- Return to direct coupling of the inflaton
- Modify gravitational reheating

The Ricci Curvature Scalar

In post-inflationary FRW universe*

$$R = -3(1 - 3w)H^2$$

$$= \begin{cases} -12H^2, & \text{inflation } (w = -1) \\ -3H^2, & \text{matter domination } (w = 0) \\ 0, & \text{radiation domination } (w = 1/3) \\ 6H^2, & \text{kination domination } (w = 1) \end{cases}$$

Remember:
 $\rho_{\text{inf}} \propto a^{-3(1+w)}$

Ricci scalar changes sign if $w > 1/3$ after inflation

A Non-minimally Coupled Scalar

Consider a real scalar field ‘Reheaton’

$$\mathcal{S} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - V_{\text{eff}}(\phi) - \frac{M_P^2}{2} R + \mathcal{L}_{\text{mat}} \right\}$$

with

Non-minimal coupling to gravity

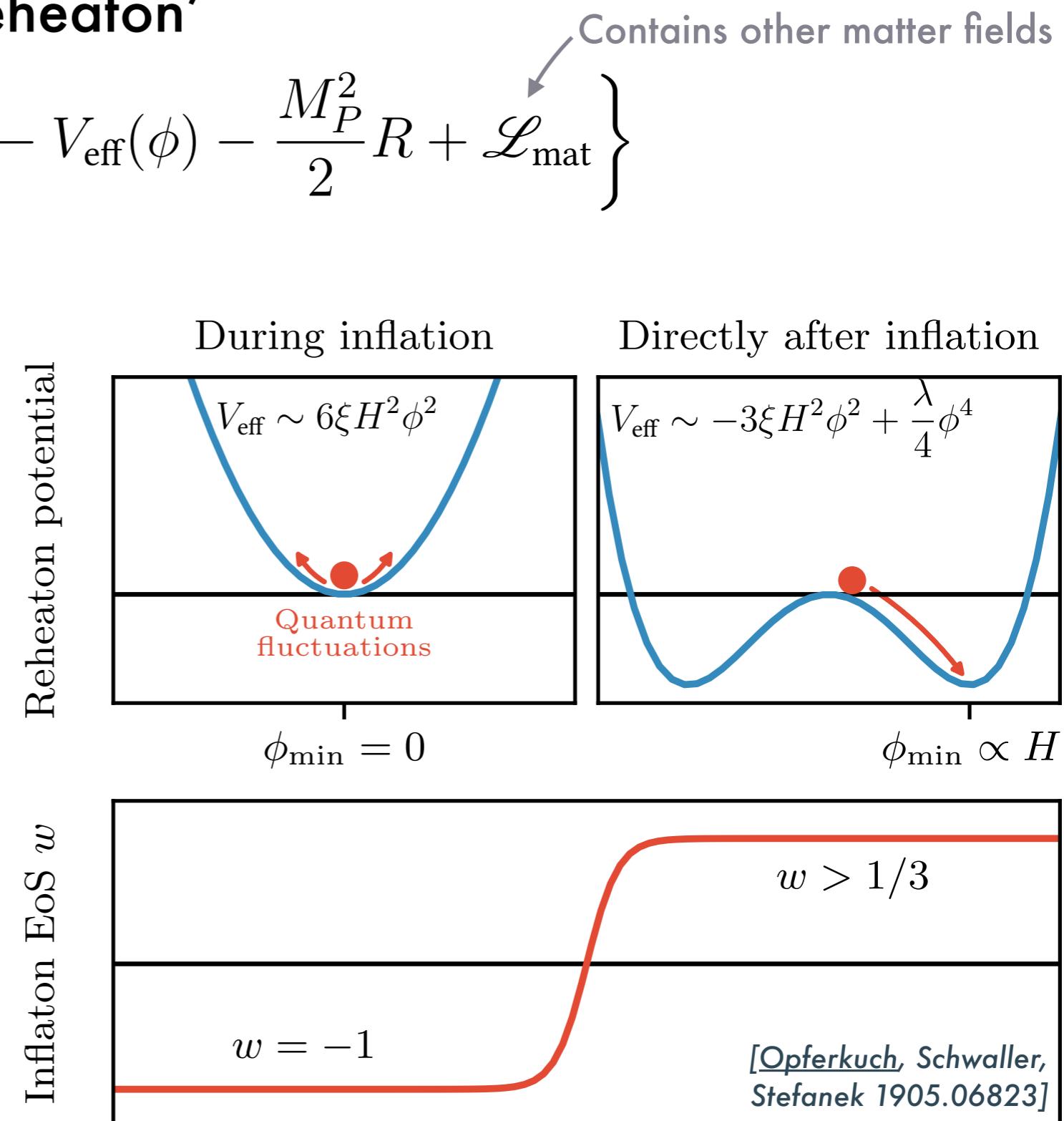
$$V_{\text{eff}} \equiv \frac{1}{2} (m^2 - \xi R) \phi^2 + \frac{\lambda}{4} \phi^4$$

assuming $m^2 \ll H_*^2$

No inflation sector specified:

Treat inflaton EoS as an order parameter of the theory

[Similar mechanism appears in Dimopoulos, Markkanen 1803.07399]

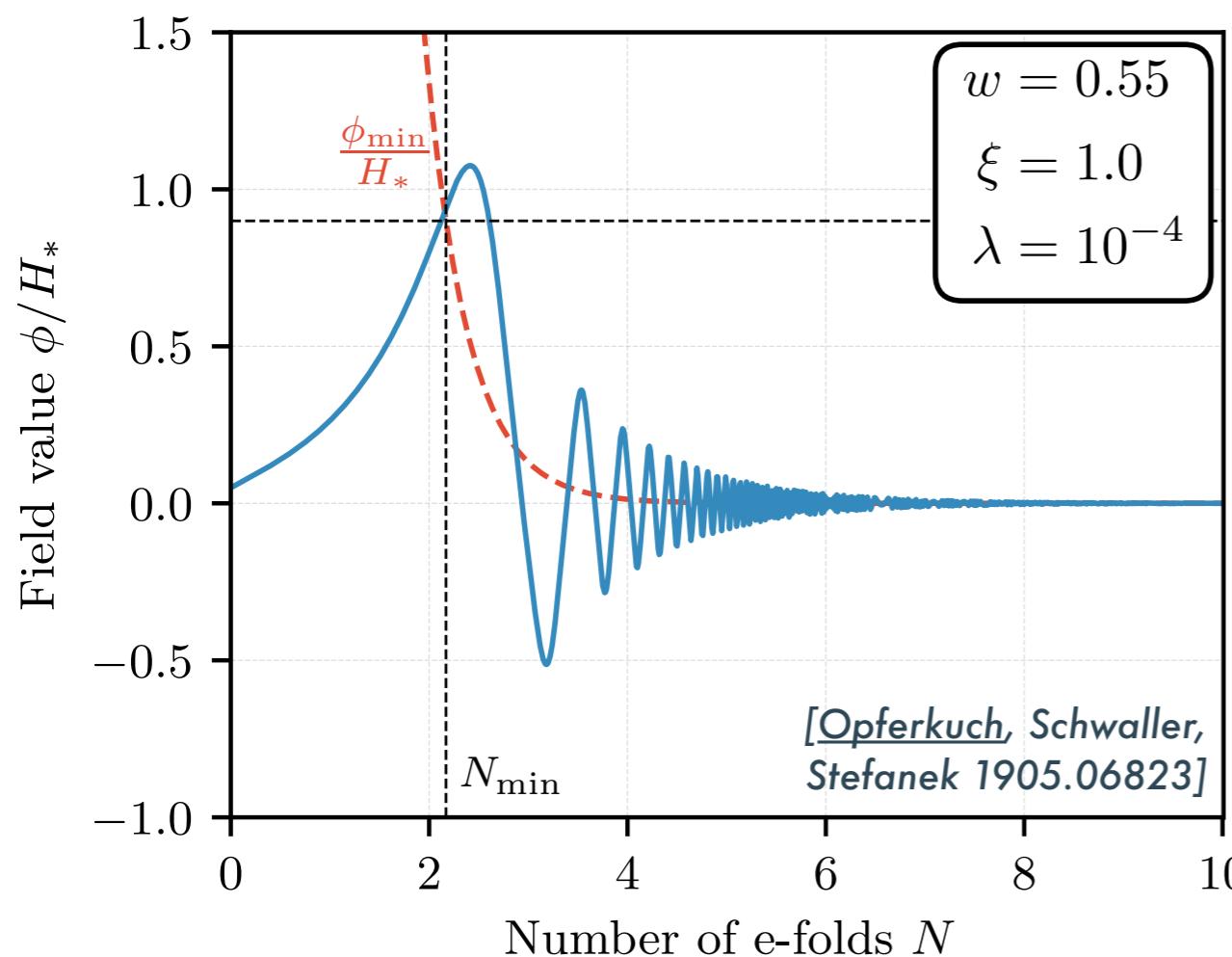


Energy Extraction by the Reheaton

Numerically solving the full EoM

$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} + (m^2 - \xi R)\phi + \lambda\phi^3 = 0$$

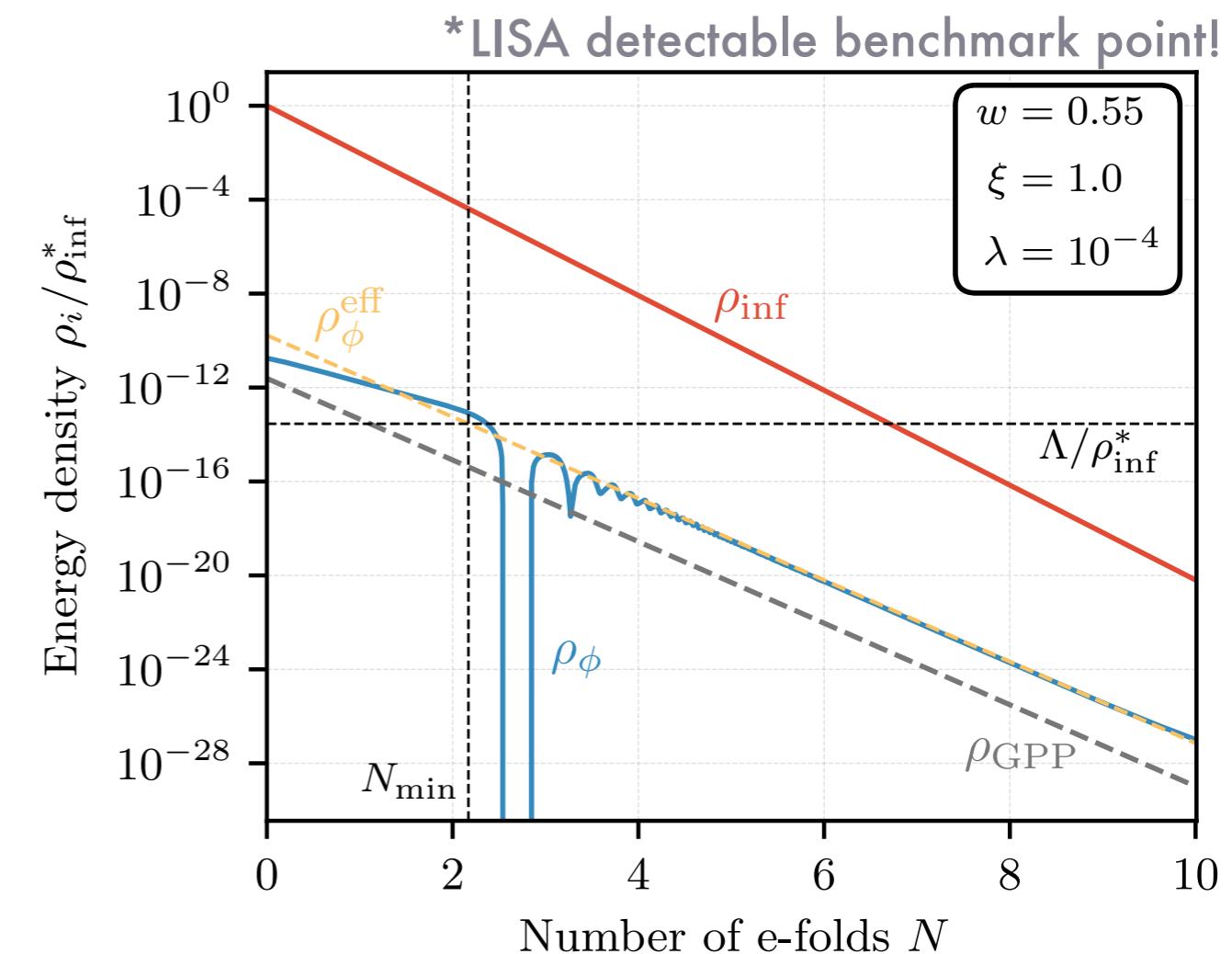
with $H^2 = \frac{\rho_{\text{inf}}}{3M_P^2} \simeq H_*^2 e^{-3(1+w)N}$



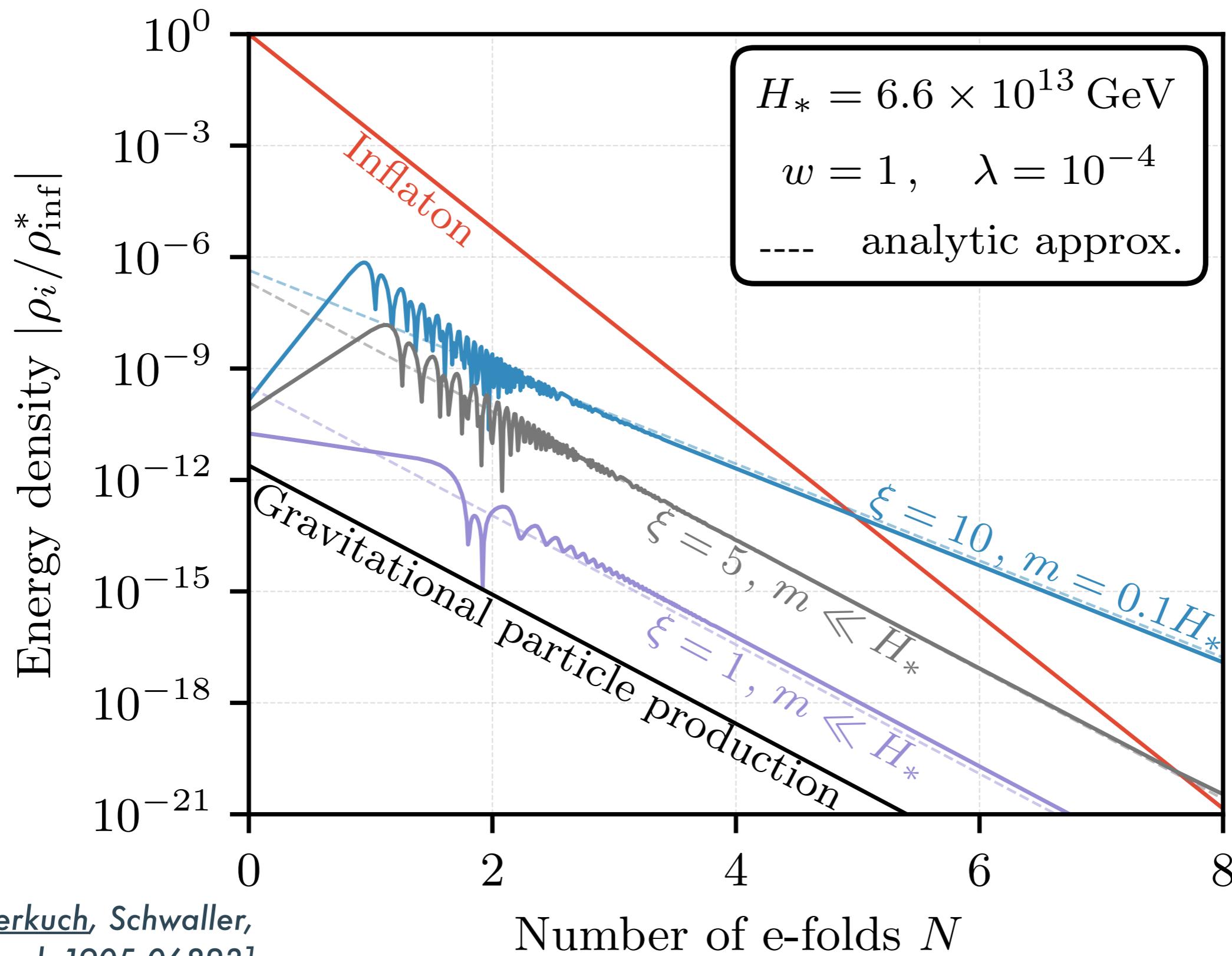
Alternatively

$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} + V'(\phi) \simeq \underbrace{\xi(3w-1)\frac{\rho_{\text{inf}}}{M_P^2}\phi}_{\text{Inflaton energy density acts as a source for the reheaton}}$$

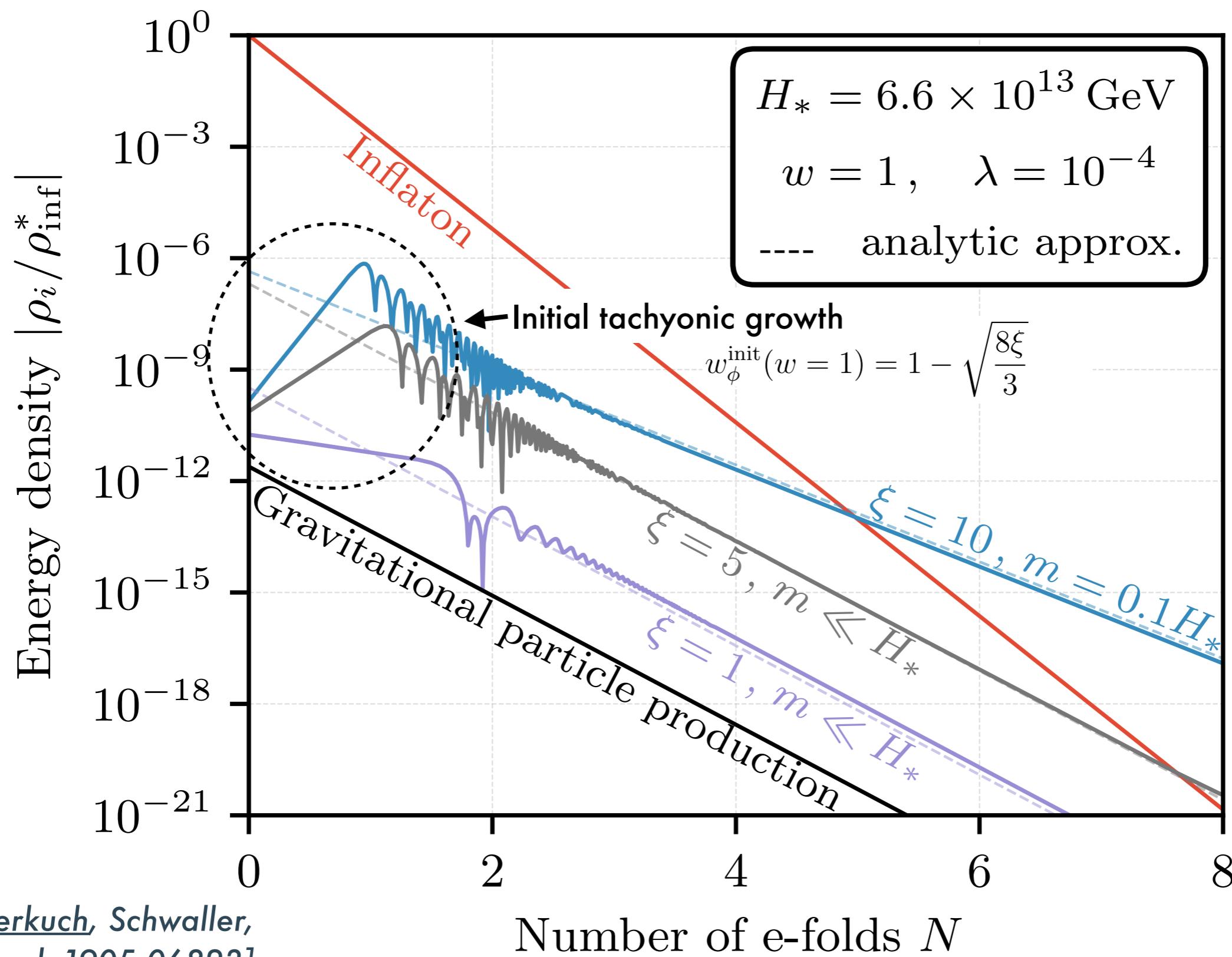
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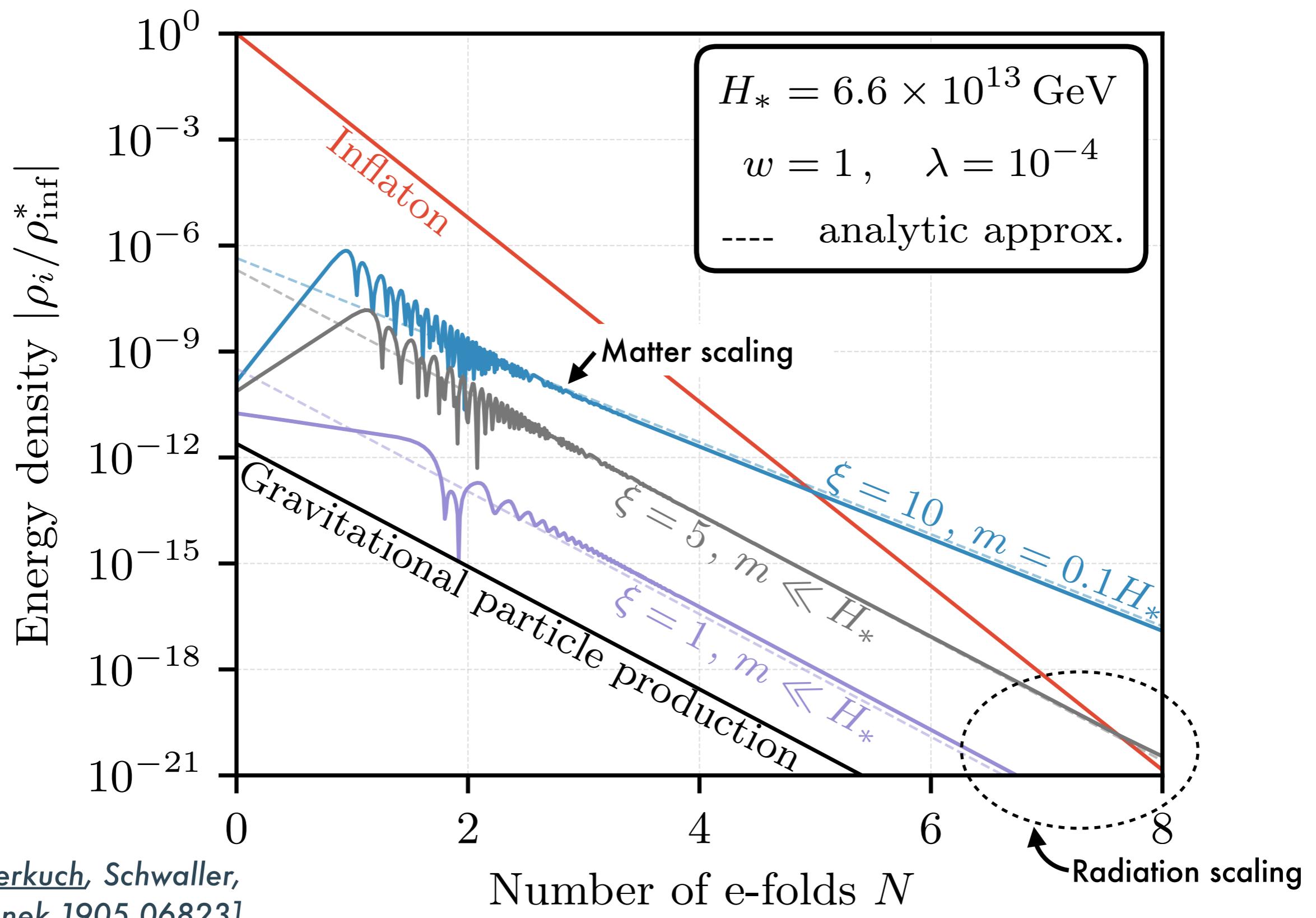
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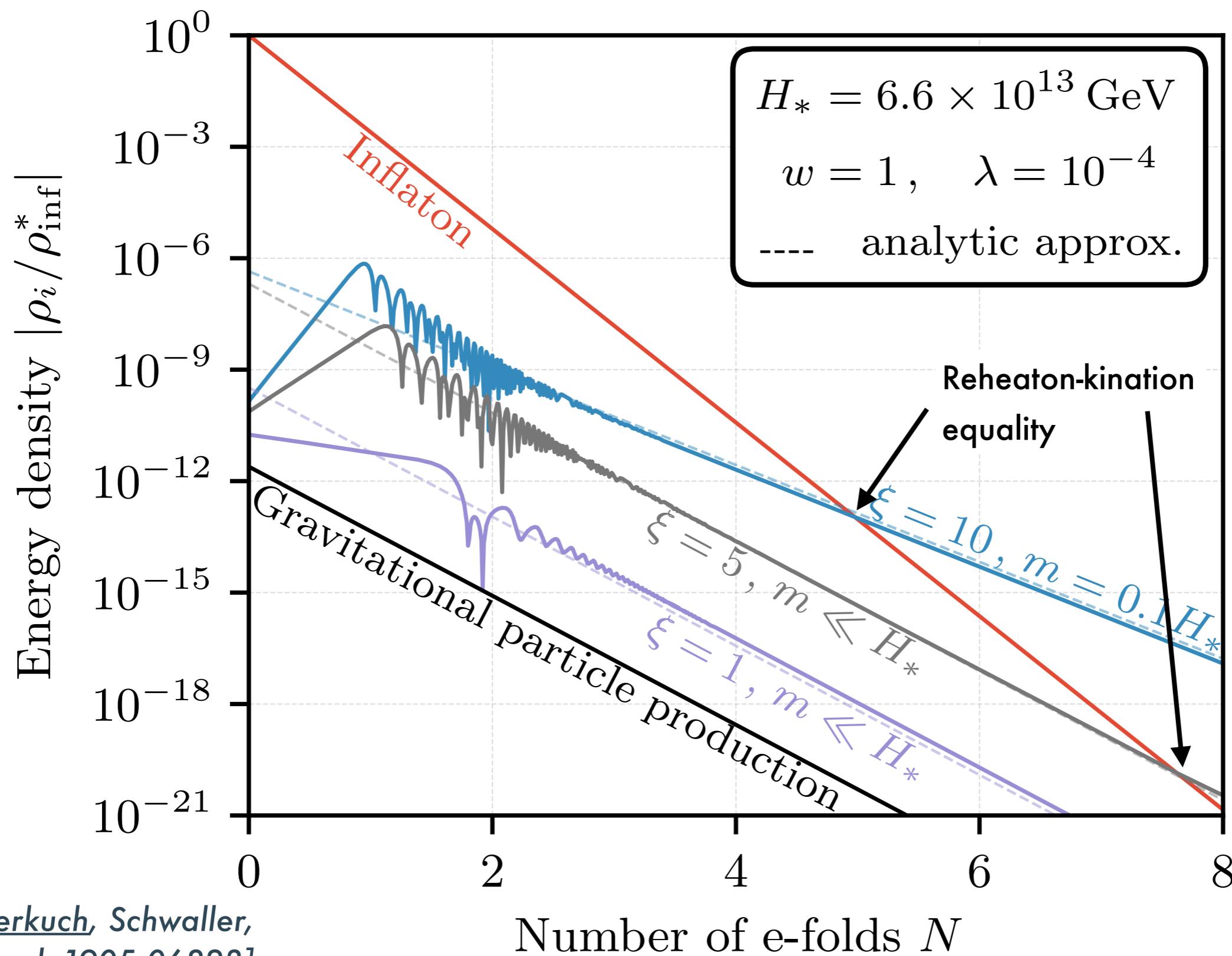
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Blue-tilting the Inf. GW Background

[M. Giovannini hep-ph/9806329]

Modes re-entering during inflation

$$\Omega_{\text{GW}}(k) \propto \left(\frac{k}{k_{\text{ke}}}\right)^{\frac{2(3w-1)}{3w+1}}$$

Can switch to frequency/wave-number through $k = aH$

Growing function for $w > 1/3$

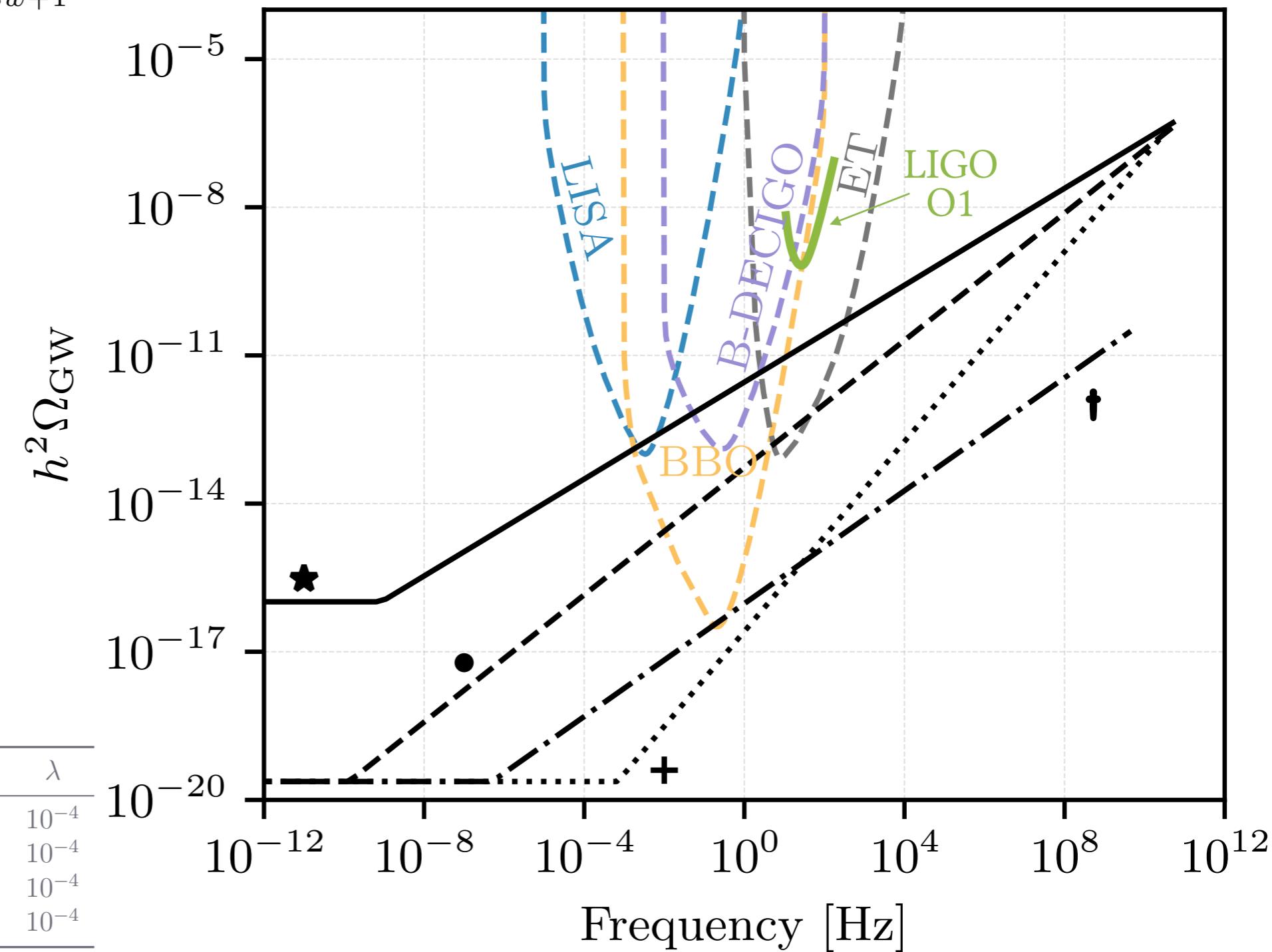
Arises from mismatch

$$\frac{\rho_{\text{GW}}}{\rho_c(k \geq k_{\text{ke}})} \propto \frac{a^{-4}}{a^{-3(1+w)}} = a^{3w-1}$$

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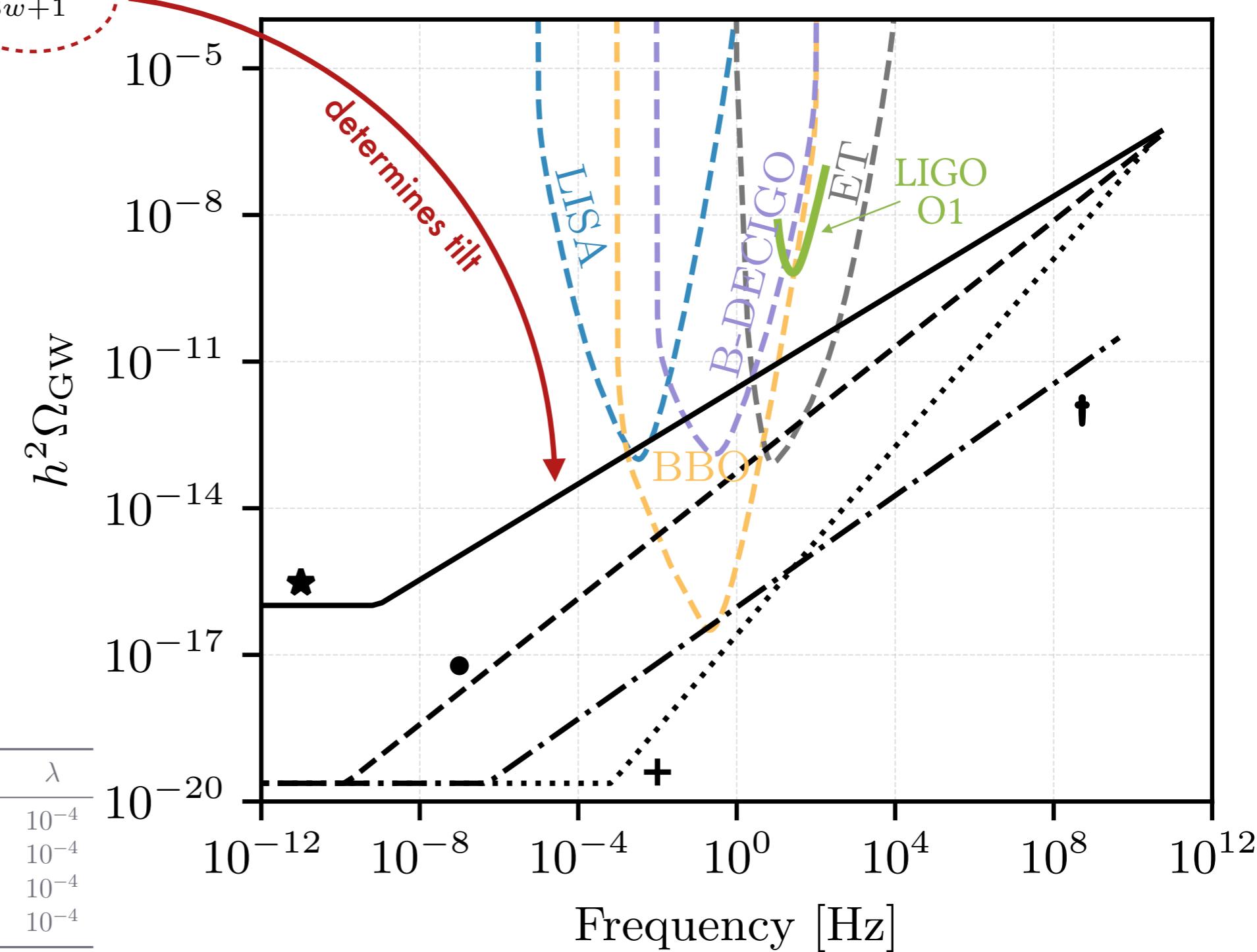
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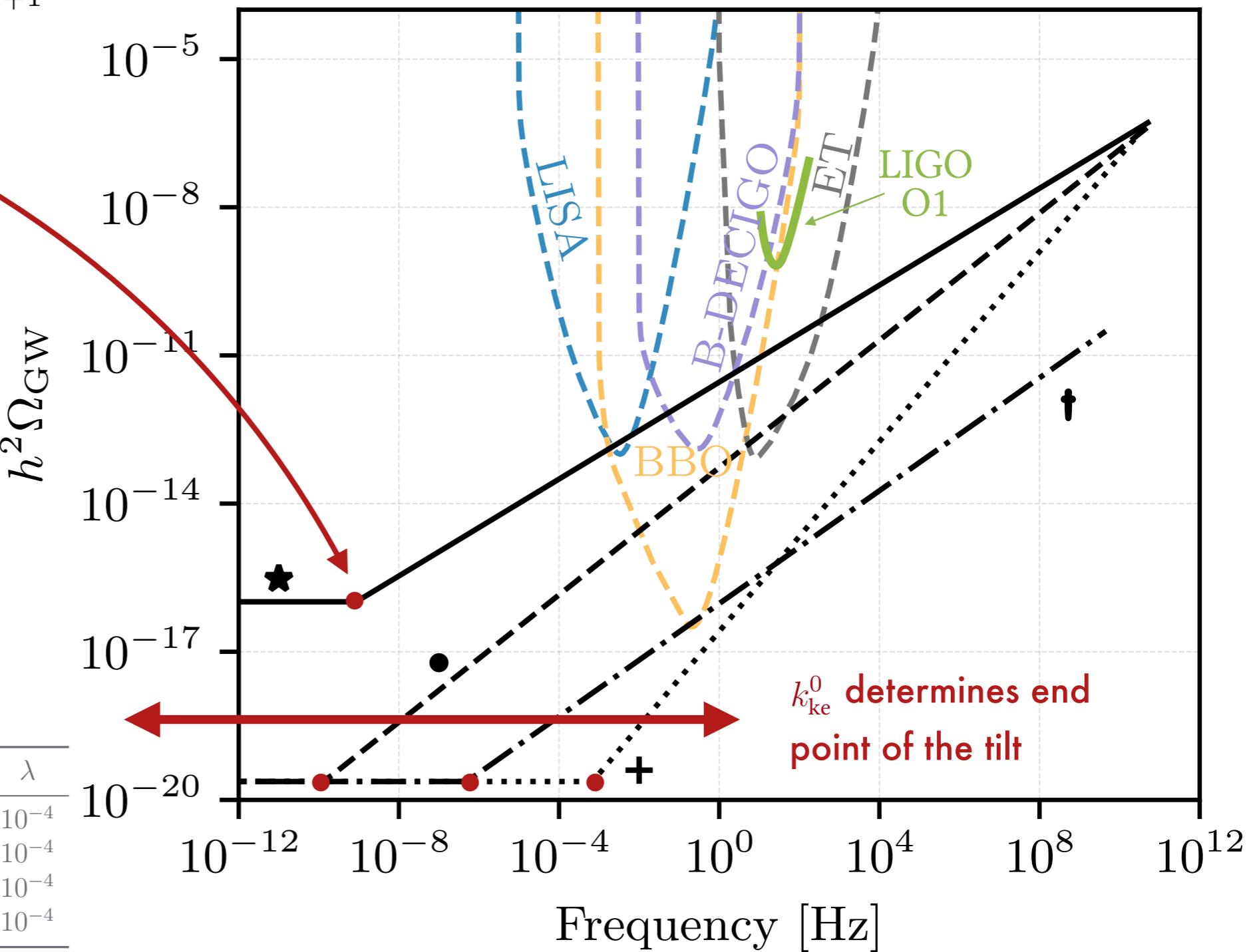
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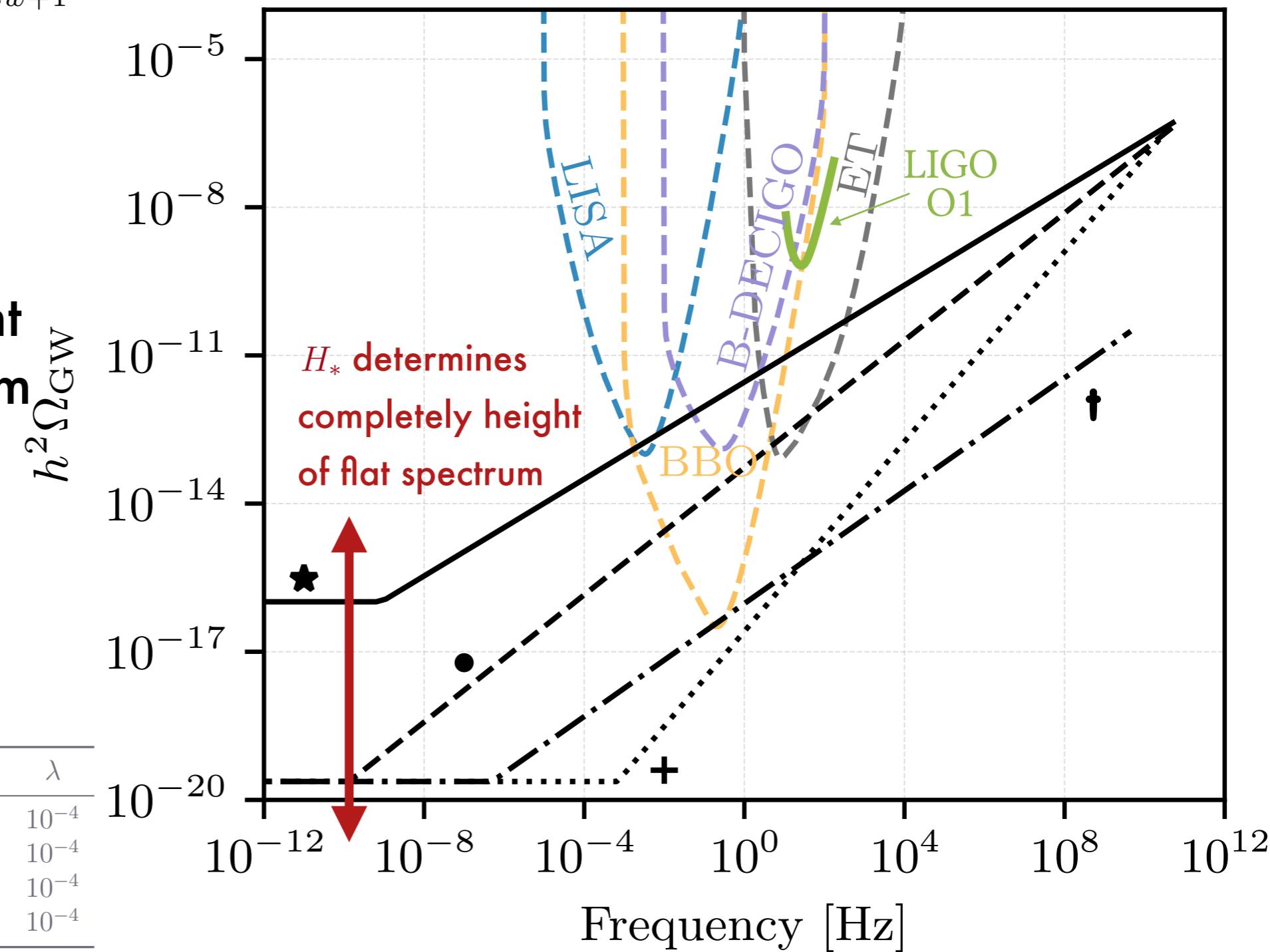
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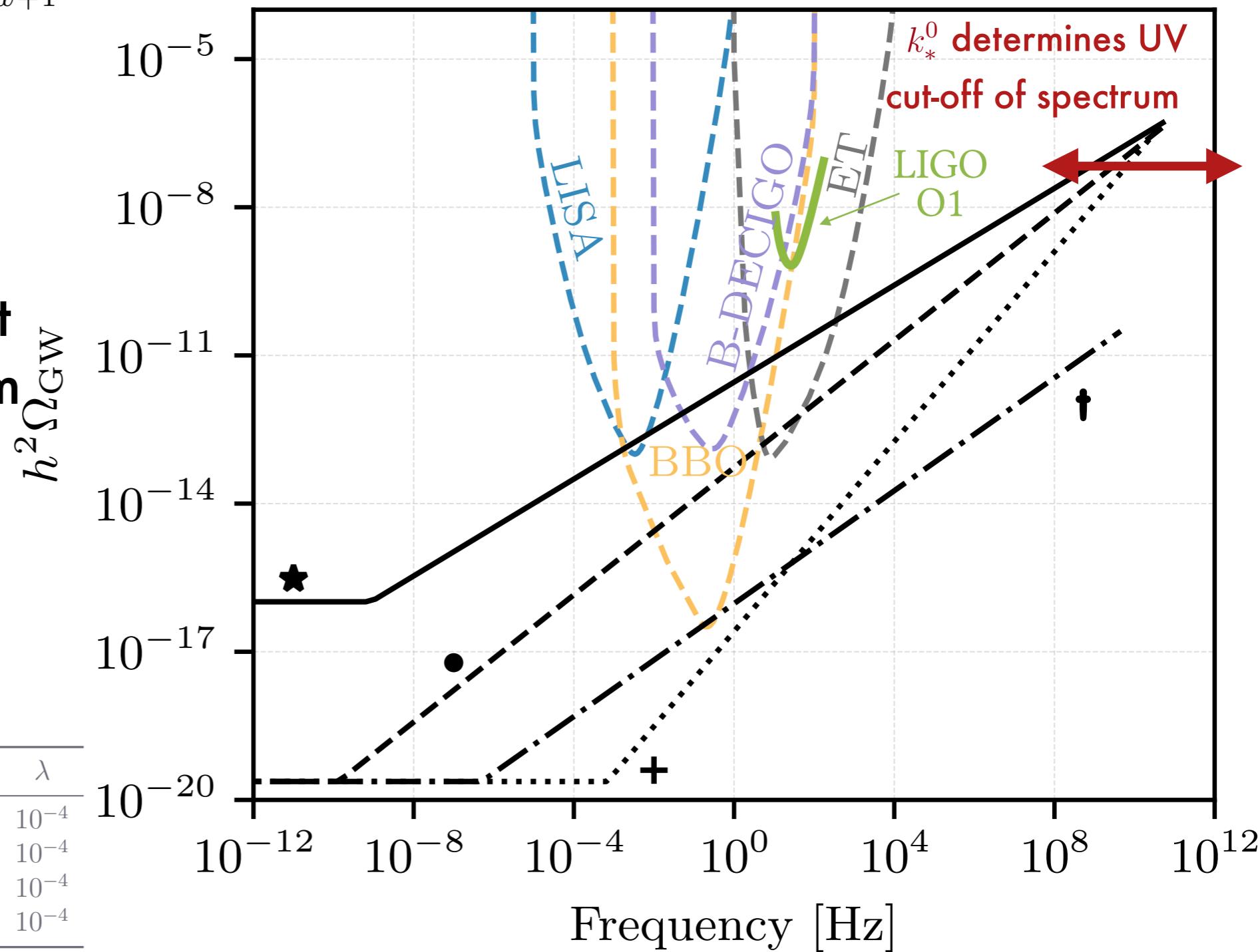
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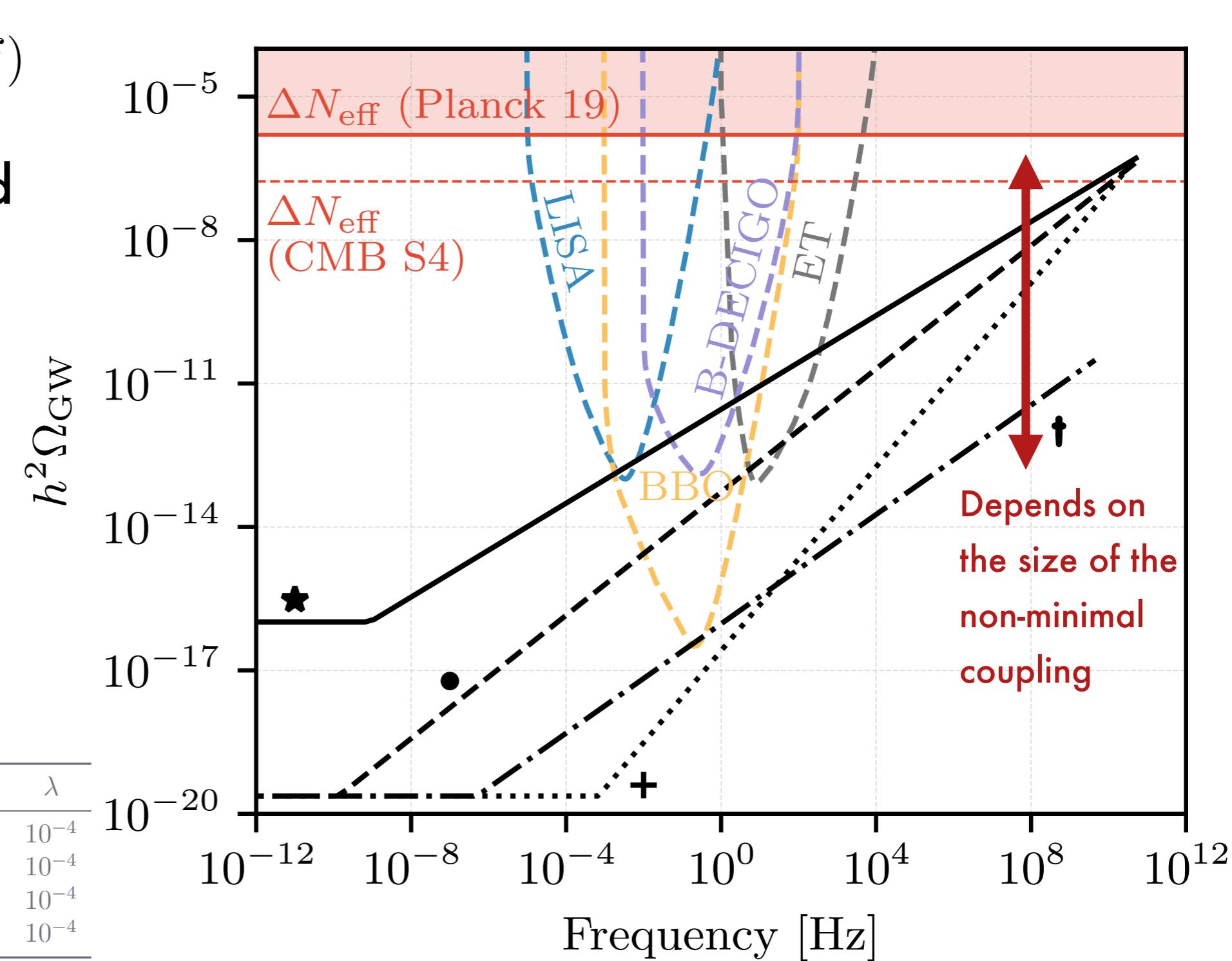
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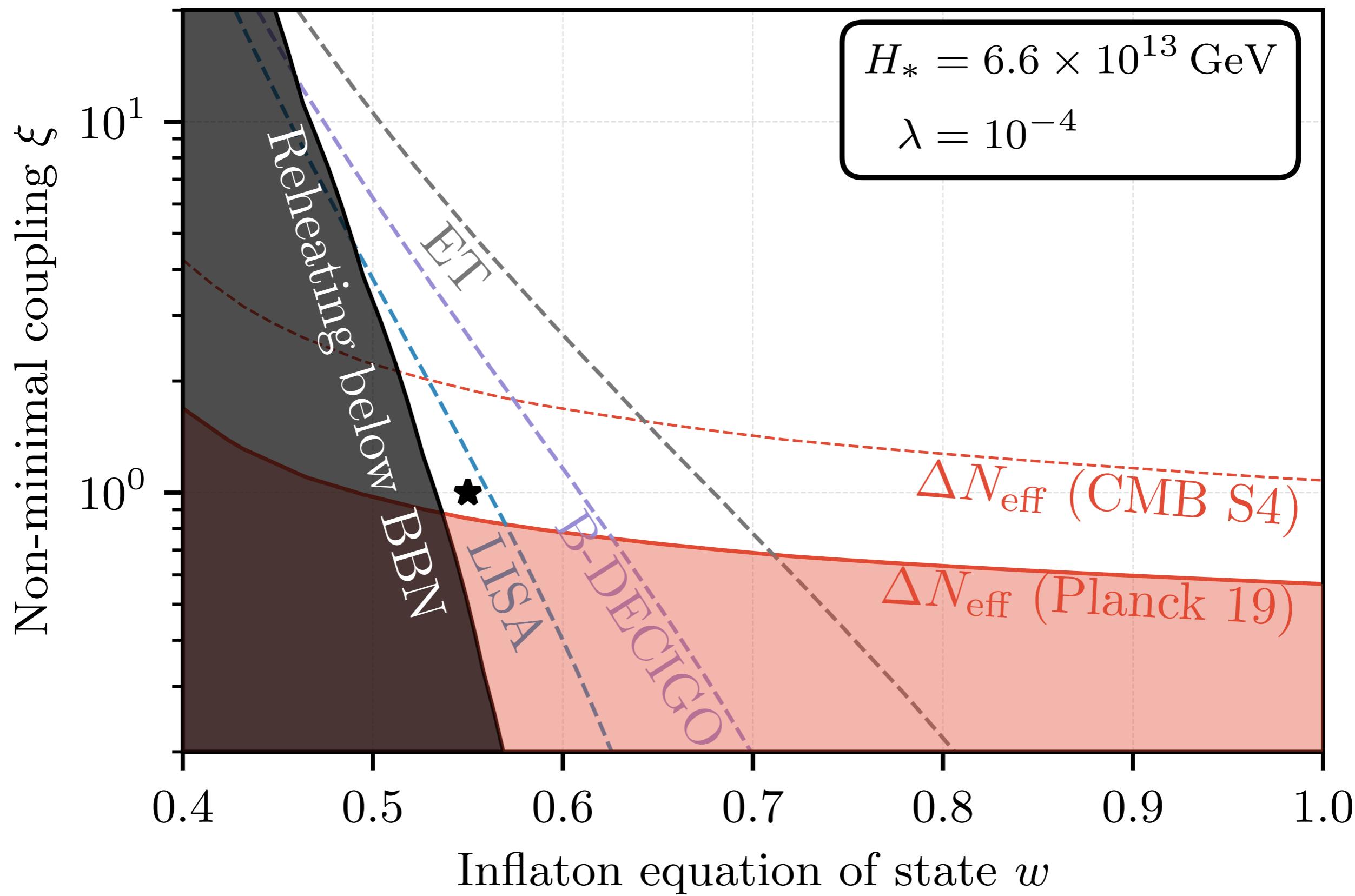
GWs inside the horizon contribute to number of relativistic DOFs

$$\Omega_{\text{GW}}^0 = \int \frac{df}{f} \Omega_{\text{GW}}^0(f)$$

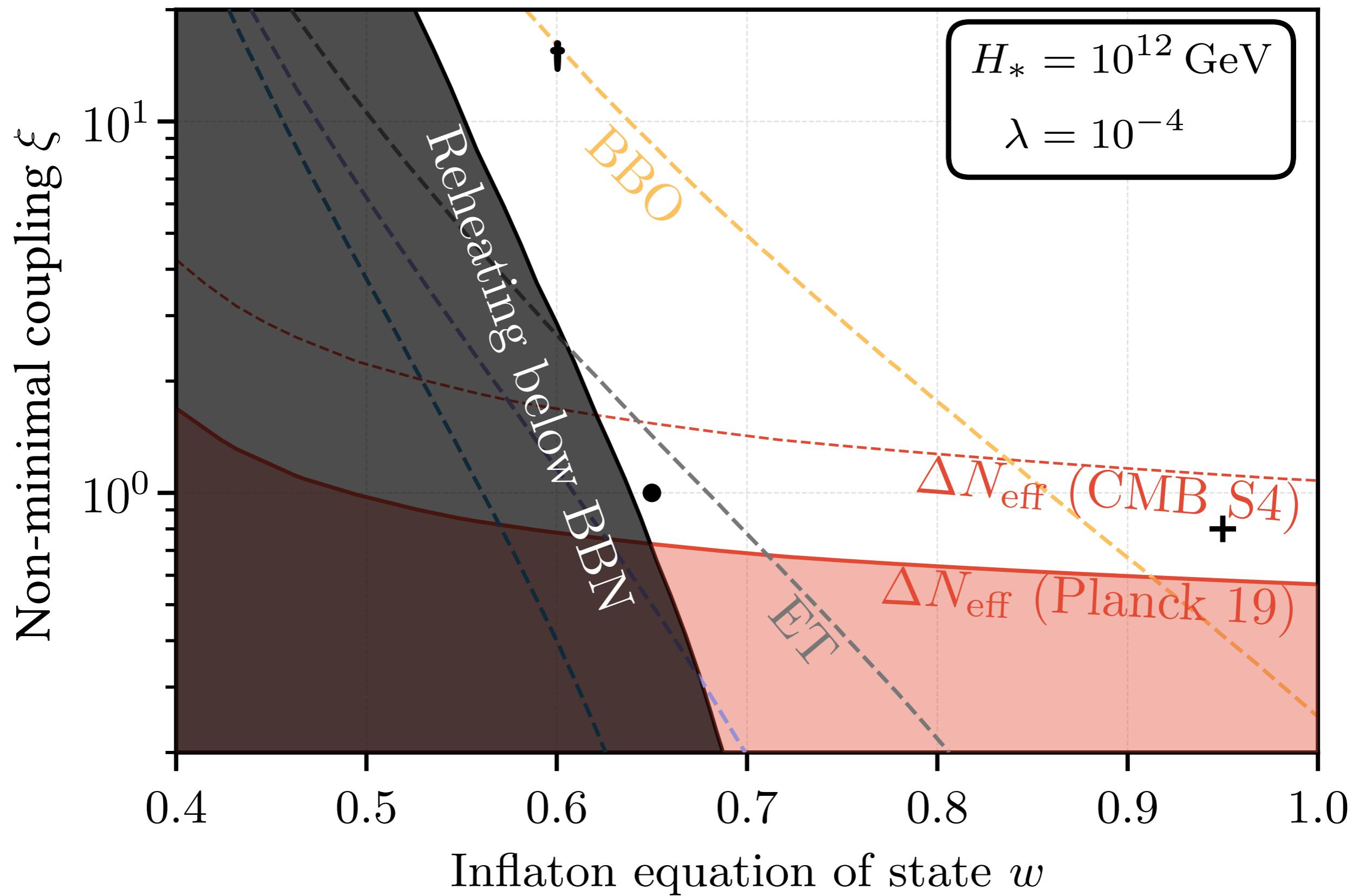
Integral dominated
by end point



Detectability



Detectability



The Higgs as the Reheaton

[See also D. Figueroa & C. Byrnes 1604.03905]

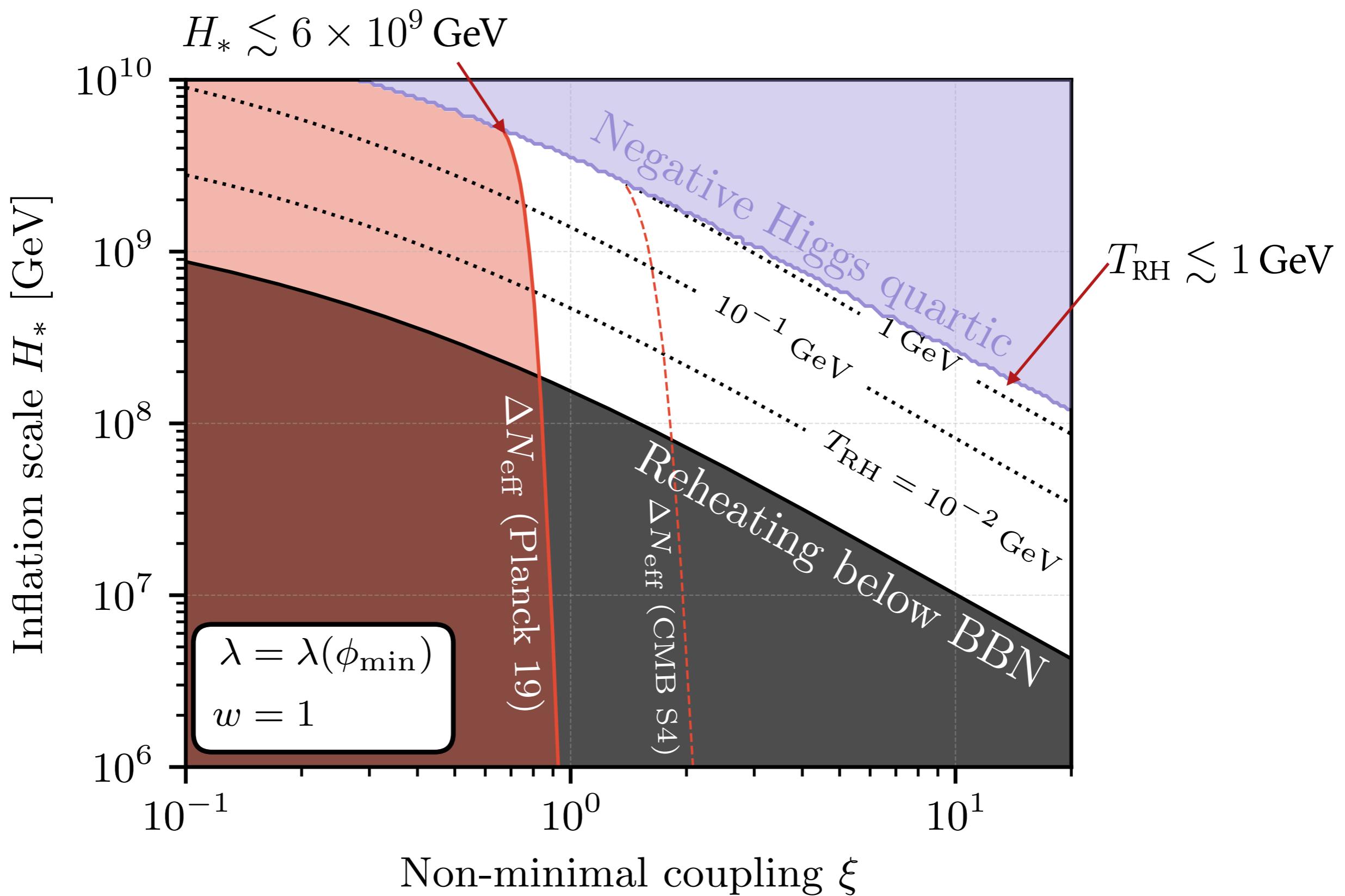
- Replace $\xi\phi^2 R \rightarrow \xi|H|^2 R$
- Quartic no longer free parameter
- Renormalisation scale & RGEs determine quartic:
*using results of D. Buttazzo et. al 1307.3536

$$\mu = \phi_{\min} \quad \xrightarrow[\text{solve}]{} \quad \mu^2 = \frac{3\xi(3w - 1)}{\lambda(\mu)} H_{\min}^2(\lambda(\mu))$$

Ending tachyonic
growth requires

$$\lambda(\mu = \phi_{\min}) > 0$$

The Higgs as the Reheaton



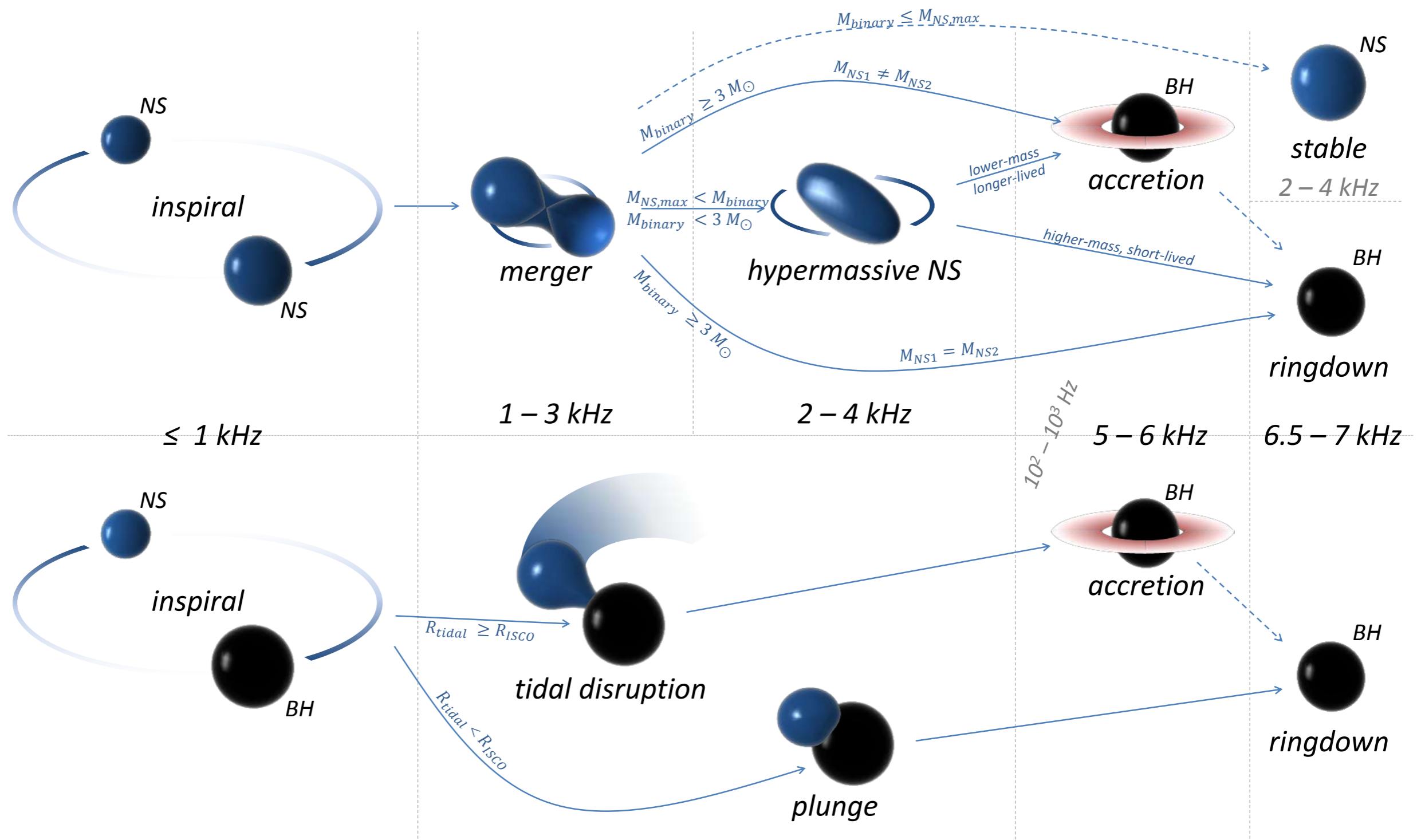
Part II: Take Home Message

- Non-minimally coupled scalar can resolve issues with conventional grav. reheating
- Probed through GWs (direct detection & N_{eff})
- Higgs can be the non-minimally coupled scalar but $T_{\text{RH}} \lesssim 1 \text{ GeV}$

Questions?

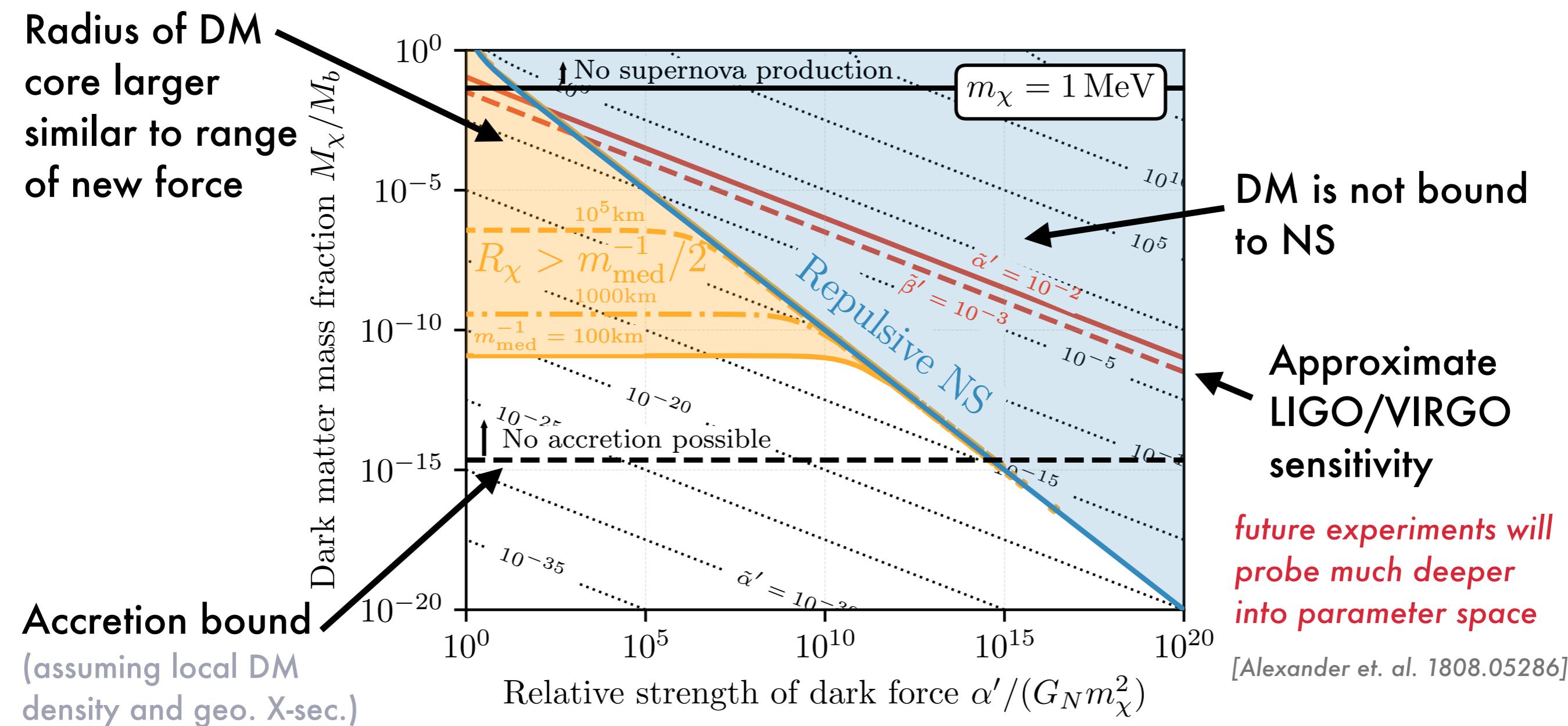
Backup Slides

Neutron Star Mergers



What About Dark Matter?

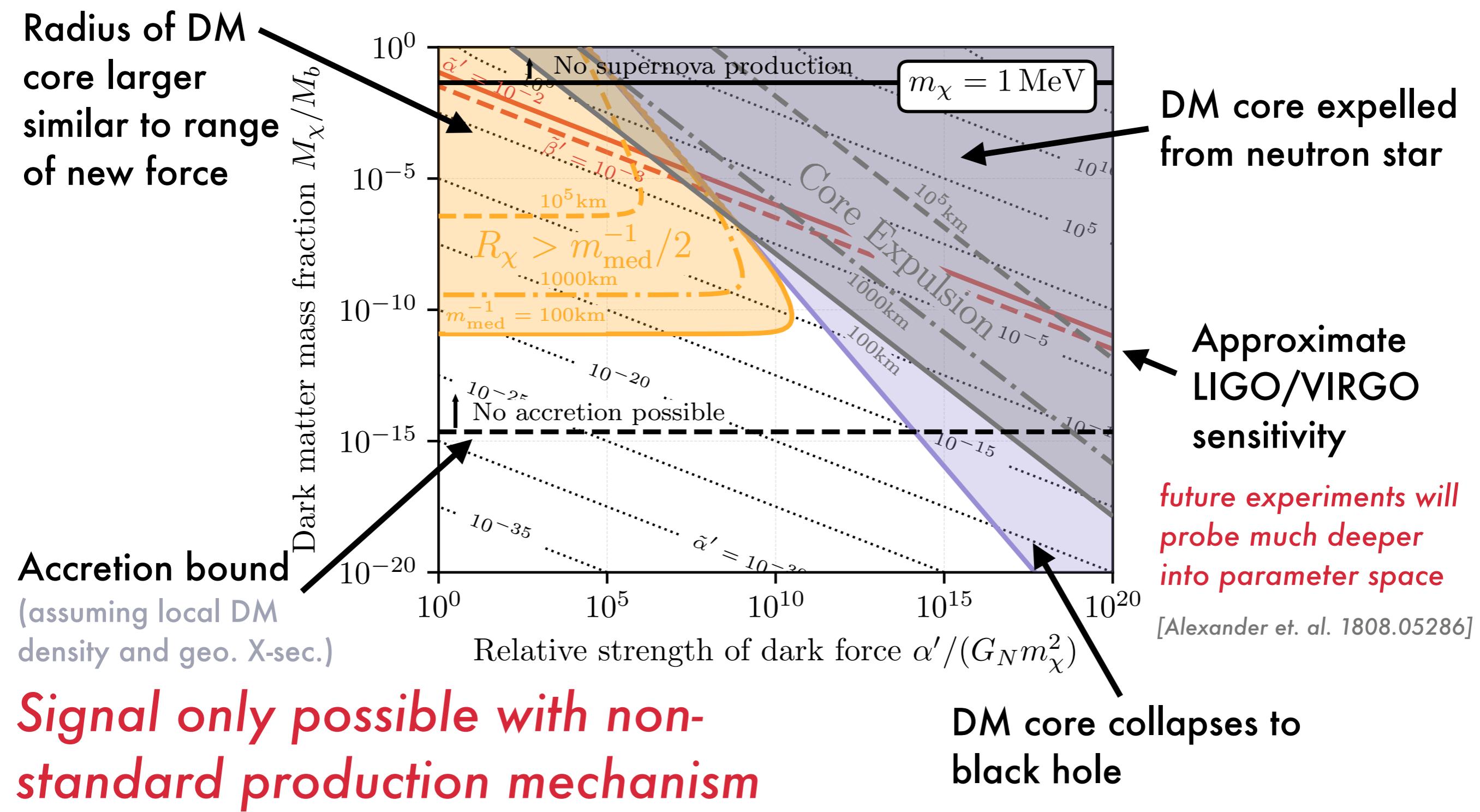
- Asymmetric DM endowed with a repulsive long-range force



Signal only possible with non-standard production mechanism

What About Dark Matter?

- Asymmetric DM endowed with an attractive long-range force



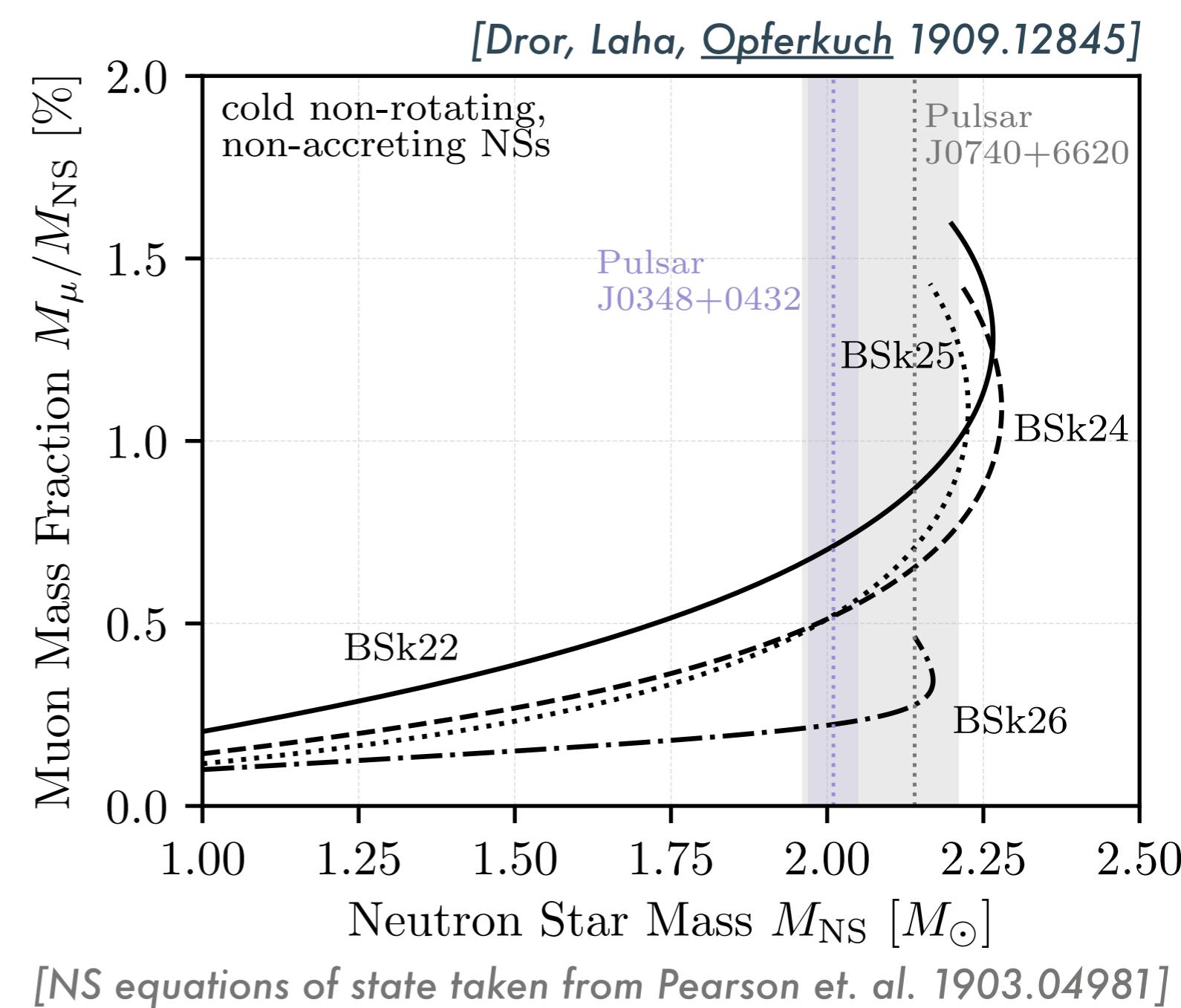
Muons in Neutron Stars

- Neutrons produced during stellar collapse: $p + e^- \rightarrow n + \nu_e$
- β -equilibrium ensures neutron stability via abundance of protons & electrons
- Electron Fermi energy increases allowing:

$$n \rightarrow p + \mu^- + \bar{\nu}_\mu$$

$$e^- \rightarrow \mu^- + \bar{\nu}_\mu + \nu_e$$
- Pauli-blocking due to high electron density forbids muon decay

**Over 10^{27} kg worth
of 'stable' muons**



Gravitational Waveform

- Expanding to linear order in α and β :

$$\tilde{h}(f) = -\sqrt{\frac{5\pi}{24}} G_N^{5/6} \frac{\mathcal{M}^2}{D_{\text{eff}}} (\pi \mathcal{M} f)^{-7/6} \times \\ \left[\mathcal{A}_{\text{PN}} - \frac{\alpha}{3} C(x) - \frac{5\gamma}{96} (\pi G_N m f)^{-2/3} \Theta\left(\frac{\pi f}{m_V} - 1\right) \right] e^{-i\Psi}$$

with phase:

$$\Psi \equiv 2\pi f t_0 - 2\phi_0 - \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{3}{128} (\pi G_N \mathcal{M} f)^{-5/3} \times \\ \left[\frac{20\alpha}{3} F_3(x) - \frac{5\gamma}{84} (\pi G_N m f)^{-2/3} \Theta\left(\frac{\pi f}{m_V} - 1\right) \right] + \Psi_{\text{PN}}$$

and

$$F_3(x) \equiv \left(\frac{180 + 180x + 69x^2 + 16x^3 + 2x^4}{x^4} \right) e^{-x} + \frac{21\sqrt{\pi}}{2x^{5/2}} \text{erf}(\sqrt{x})$$

$$C(x) \equiv (1 + x - 2x^2) e^{-x} \quad m \equiv m_1 + m_2$$

$$x \equiv G_N^{1/3} m m_V (\pi m f)^{-2/3} \quad \mathcal{M} \equiv \mu^{3/5} (m_1 + m_2)^{2/5}$$

*using natural units

[PN corrections adapted from
S. Kahn et. al. 1508.07253]

Pulsar Constraints

Additional energy loss:

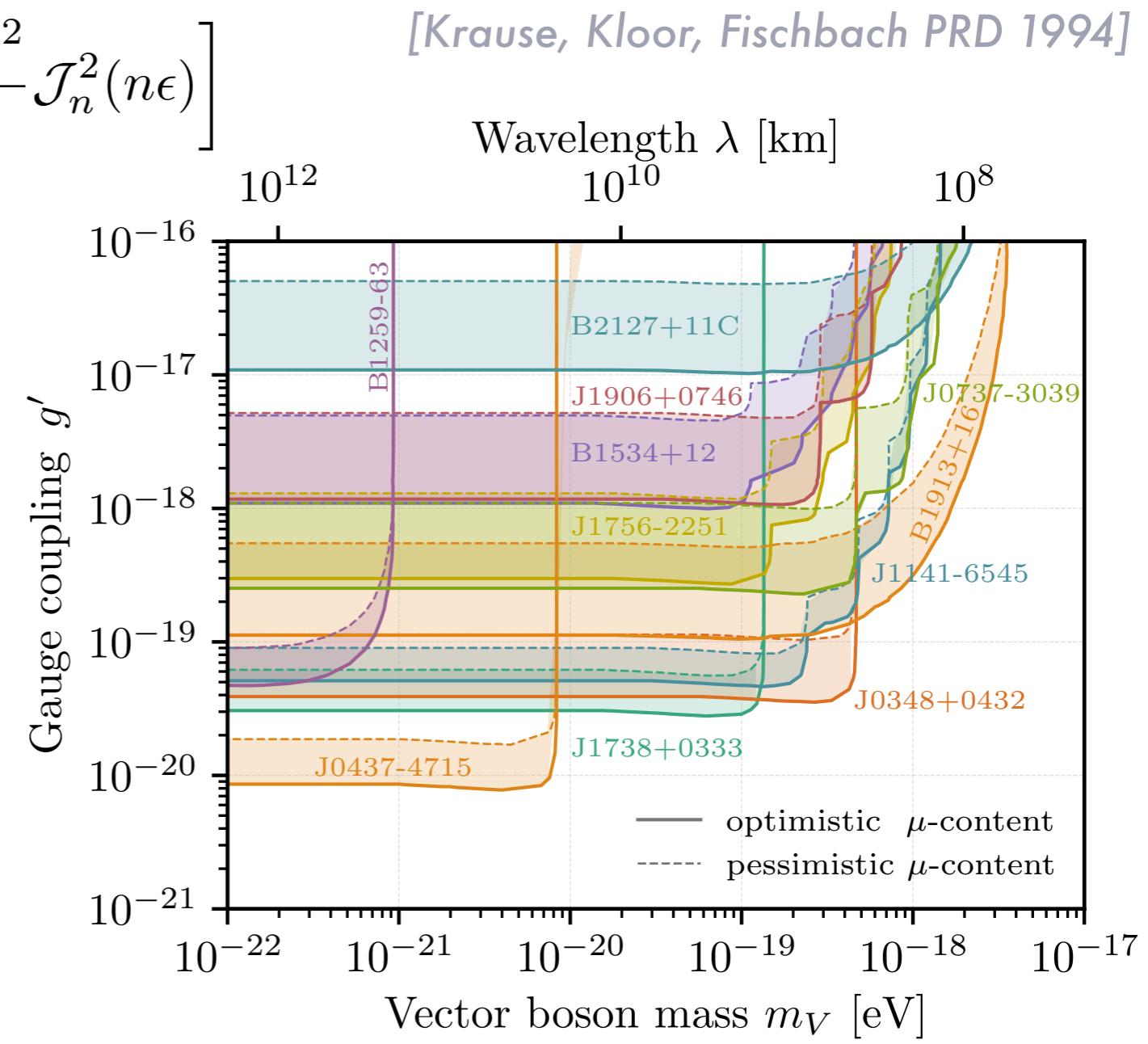
$$\frac{\langle \dot{E}_V \rangle}{\langle \dot{E}_{\text{GW}} \rangle} = \frac{5\pi}{12} \gamma \frac{g_V(m_v, \epsilon)}{g_{\text{GR}}(\epsilon)} \left(\frac{P_b}{2\pi G_N m} \right)^{2/3}$$

$$g_V(m_V, \epsilon) \equiv \sum_{n > n_0} 2n^2 \left[\mathcal{J}'_n^2(n\epsilon) + \frac{1 - \epsilon^2}{\epsilon^2} \mathcal{J}_n^2(n\epsilon) \right]$$

$$\times \left\{ \sqrt{1 - \frac{n_0^2}{n^2}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{n_0^2}{n^2} \right) \right\}$$

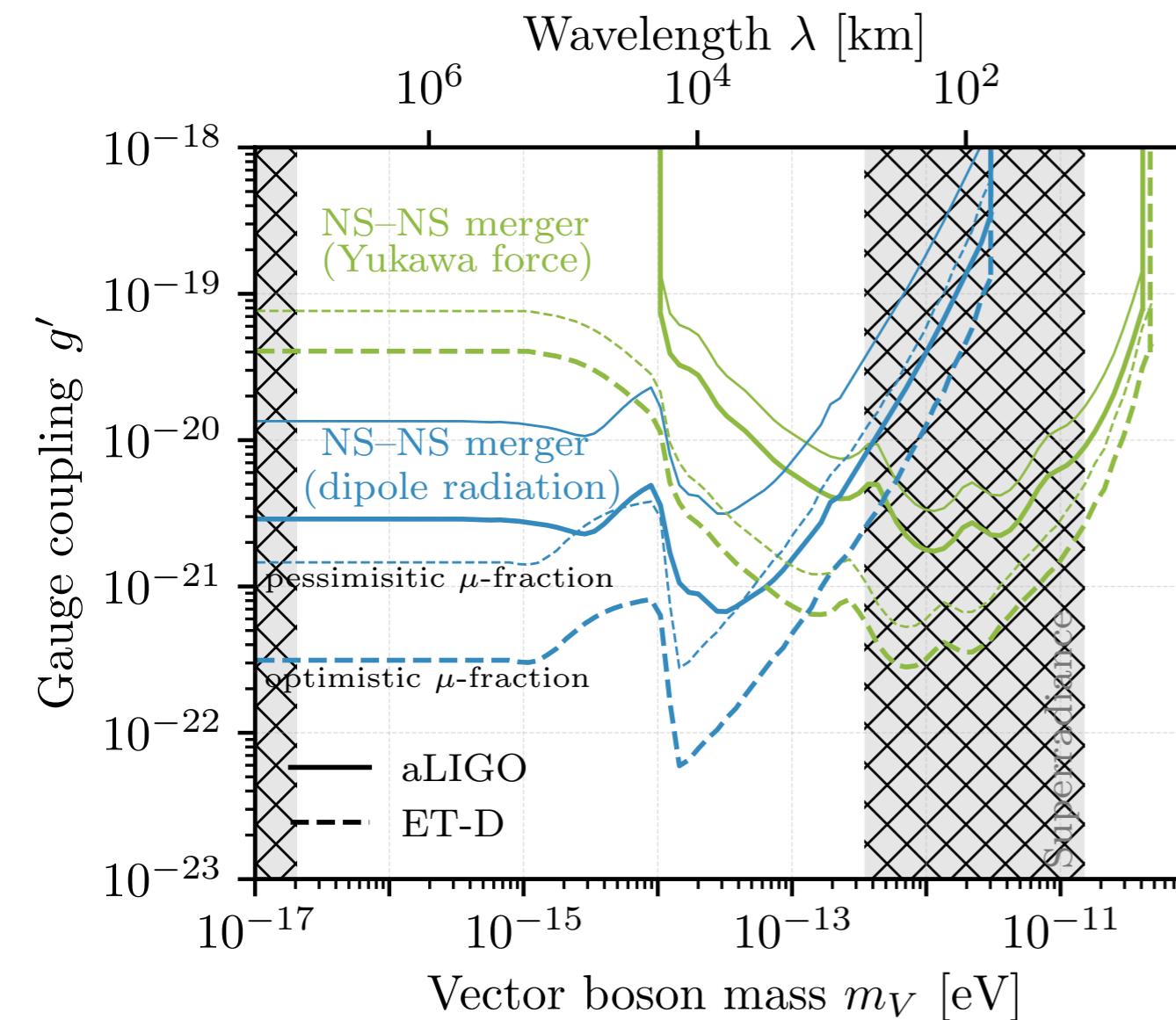
$$n_0 = \frac{m_V P_b}{2\pi}$$

Pulsar	P_b (day)	$\dot{P}_b^{\text{int}}/\dot{P}_b^{\text{GR}}$	ϵ	$M_1[M_\odot]$	$M_2[M_\odot]$
B1913+16(NS)	0.323	0.9983 ± 0.0016	0.617	1.438	1.390
J0737-3039(P)	0.102	1.003 ± 0.014	0.088	1.3381	1.2489
J0437-4715(WD)	5.74	1.0 ± 0.1	0.00	1.58	0.236
B1534+12(NS)	0.421	0.91 ± 0.06	0.274	1.3452	1.333
B1259-63(O)	1240	1.0 ± 0.5	0.870	1.4	20
J0348+0432(WD)	0.102	1.05 ± 0.18	0.00	2.01	0.172
J1141-6545(WD)	0.198	1.04 ± 0.06	0.172	1.27	1.02
J1738+0333(WD)	0.355	0.94 ± 0.13	0.00	1.46	0.19
J1756-2251(NS)	0.320	1.08 ± 0.03	0.181	1.341	1.230
J1906+0746(NS)	0.166	1.01 ± 0.05	0.085	1.291	1.322
B2127+11C(NS)	0.335	1.00 ± 0.03	0.681	1.358	1.354

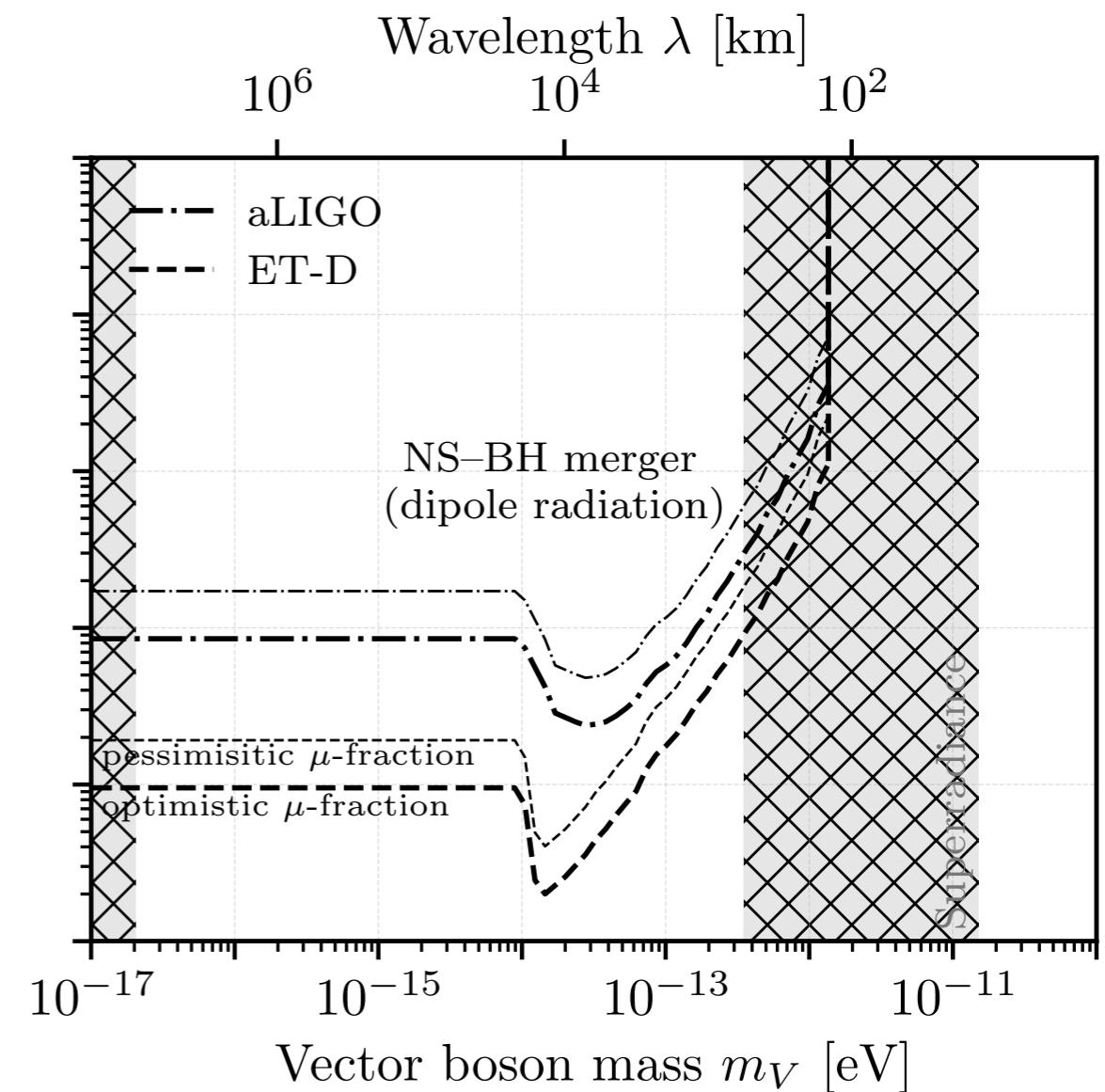


Future Constraints on Gauged $L_\mu - L_\tau$

NS–NS Mergers



NS–BH Mergers



Parameters:

$$\text{low spin } m_1 = 1.46M_\odot$$

$$D_{\text{eff}} = 40 \text{ Mpc} \quad m_2 = 1.27M_\odot$$

[Dror, Laha, Opferkuch 1909.12845]

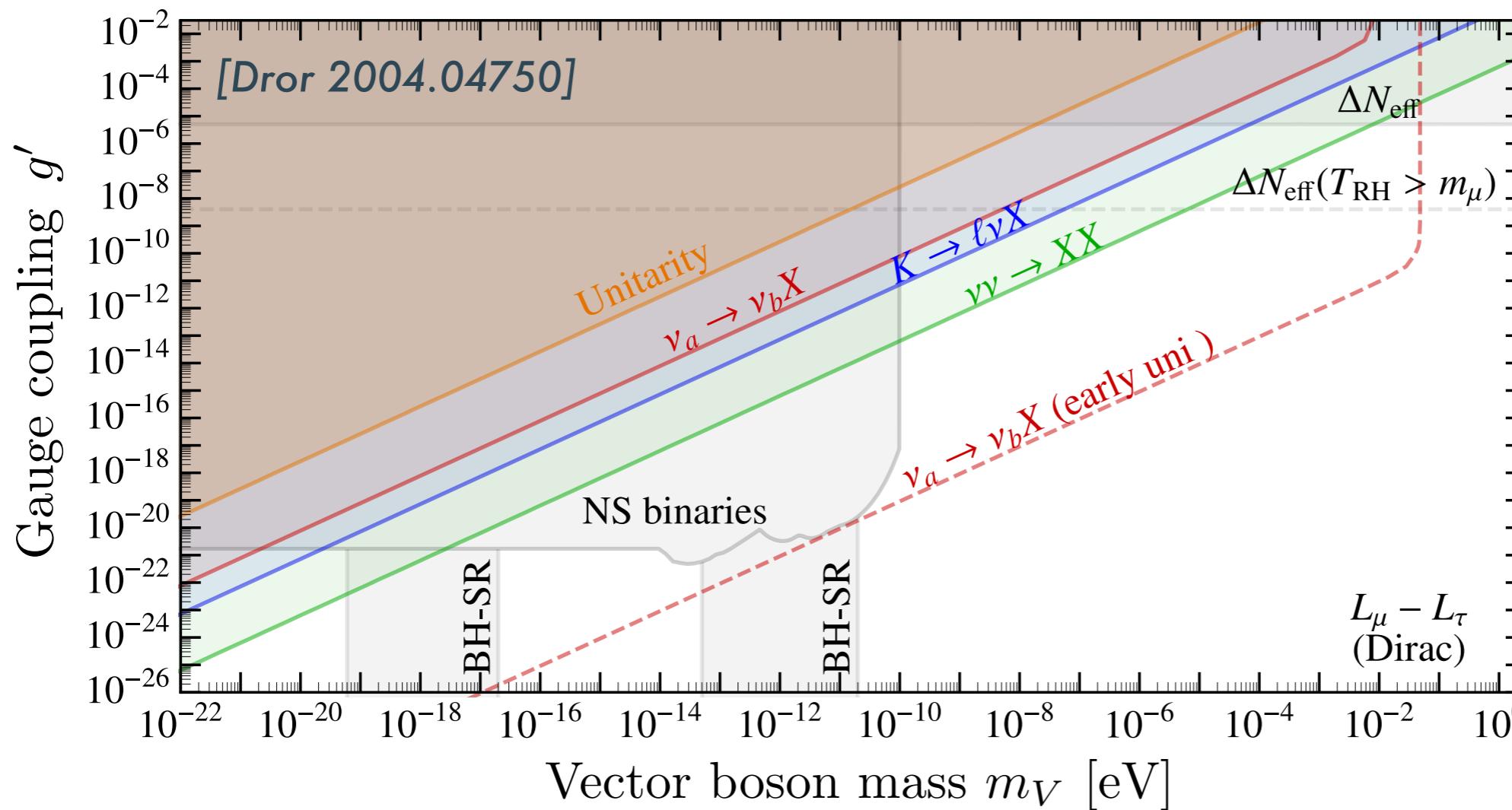
$$\text{low spin } m_1 = 1.46M_\odot$$

$$D_{\text{eff}} = 40 \text{ Mpc} \quad m_2 = 5M_\odot$$

Constraints on Gauged $L_\mu - L_\tau$

- Energy enhanced processes below neutrino masses:

$$X_\mu \bar{\nu} \gamma^\mu \nu \rightarrow \frac{g_X m_\nu}{m_X} \varphi \bar{\nu} \nu$$



- Additional constraints in the mass-mixed case

[Heeck, Rodejohann 1007.2655]
 [Davoudiasl, Lee, Marciano 1102.5352]

- Stringent N_{eff} constraints for $m_V > 1$ eV

[Kamada, Yu 1504.00711]
 [Escudero, et. al 1901.02010]

Non-minimally Coupled Scalars

[L. H. Ford 87]

Energy-momentum tensor of a non-minimally coupled scalar contains additional pieces

$$T_{\mu\nu}^\phi = \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - g_{\mu\nu} \left(\frac{1}{2} g^{\rho\sigma} \partial_\rho \phi \partial_\sigma \phi - V(\phi) \right)$$

NMC pieces: $+ \xi(G_{\mu\nu} + g_{\mu\nu} \nabla^\sigma \nabla_\sigma - \nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu) \phi^2$

Pressure and energy density for a perfect fluid become

$$\rho_\phi = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\phi}^2 + V(\phi) + \xi \left(3H^2 \phi^2 + 6H\phi\dot{\phi} \right)$$

$$p_\phi = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\phi}^2 - V(\phi) + 3\xi [w + 2\xi(1 - 3w)] H^2 \phi^2$$

$$+ 2\xi \left(V' \phi + H\phi\dot{\phi} - \dot{\phi}^2 \right)$$

Using EoM and neglecting bare potential:

$$w_\phi^{\text{init}} = \frac{8\xi[\gamma + w(1 + \gamma - 6\xi) + 2\xi] - 3\gamma^2(4\xi - 1)(1 + w)^2}{8\xi + 3\gamma(1 + w)(\gamma + w\gamma + 8\xi)}$$

Energy Extraction by the Reheaton

Energy-momentum tensor of a non-minimally coupled scalar contains additional pieces changing the initial EoS

$$w_\phi^{\text{init}}(w=1) = 1 - \sqrt{\frac{8\xi}{3}} \quad \xrightarrow{\xi \geq 3/2} \quad w_\phi^{\text{init}}(w=1) \leq -1$$

This tachyonic growth turned off when field is turned by the quartic

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\phi} &= 0 \\ \Lambda \equiv \rho_\phi^1 &= \frac{\lambda}{4} \dot{\phi}_1^4 + 3\xi H_1^2 \phi_1^2 \\ &\simeq (1+w)(3w-1) \frac{27\xi^2}{4\lambda} H_{\min}^4 \end{aligned}$$

\uparrow
 $H_1 \sim H_{\min}$

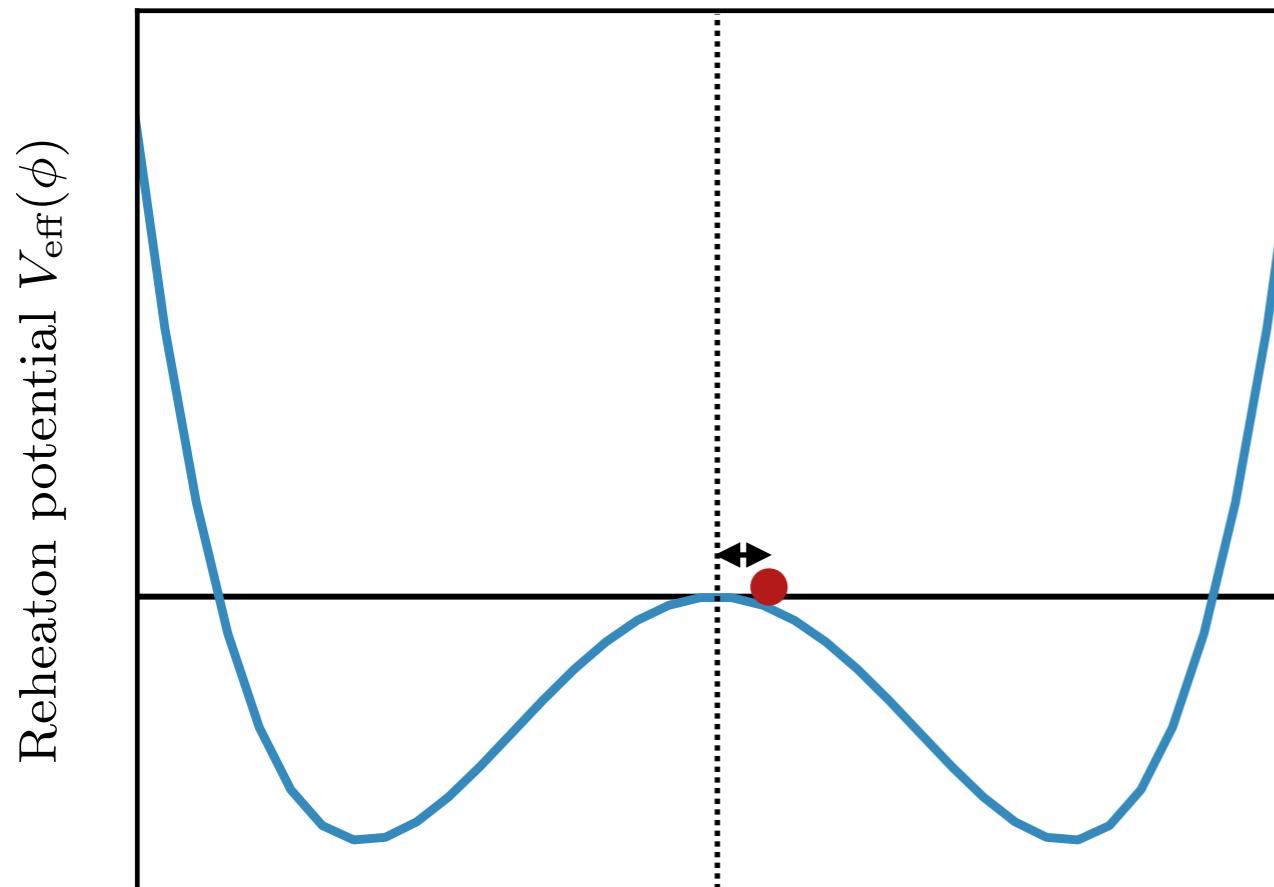
Reheaton Dynamics

Consider the evolution of the $k \leq a_* H_*$ modes of the reheaton:

1.) Fluctuations from inflation give an initial displacement and velocity

Integrate over
 $k \leq a_* H_*$

$$\langle \hat{\phi}_*^2 \rangle = \int_0^{a_* H_*} \frac{dk}{k} \mathcal{P}(k)$$



$$\phi_{\min} = H \left(\frac{3\xi(3w-1)}{\lambda} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\phi_* = \sqrt{\langle \hat{\phi}_*^2 \rangle} \approx \frac{H_*}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{H_*}{3m_*}}$$

$$\dot{\phi}_* = \sqrt{\langle \hat{\phi}'_*^2 \rangle} \approx m_* \phi_*$$

$m_* = \sqrt{12\xi} H_*$

Reheaton Dynamics

Consider the evolution of the $k \leq a_* H_*$ modes of the reheaton:

2.) Field begins to roll off local maximum

Reheaton equation of motion

$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} - \xi R\phi \approx 0$$

with solution

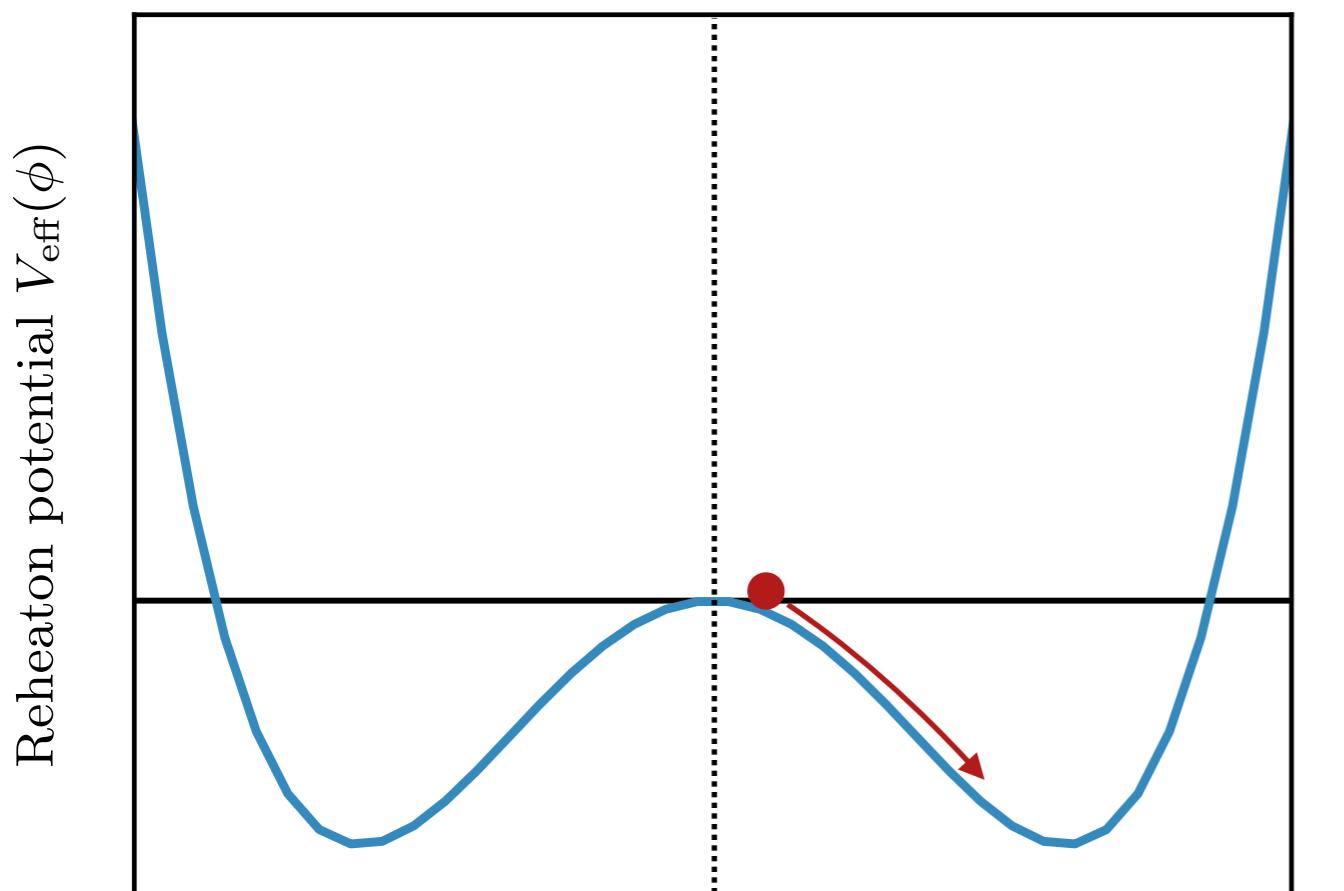
$$\phi(t) \approx \frac{\phi_*}{2} \left(1 + \frac{\gamma_*}{\gamma}\right) \left(\frac{H_*}{H}\right)^\gamma$$

where

$$\gamma \equiv \sqrt{\xi(3w - 1)/3}, \gamma_* \approx \sqrt{12\xi}/3$$

ξ controls how fast field rolls

$$\phi(t) \propto H^{-\sqrt{\xi}}$$



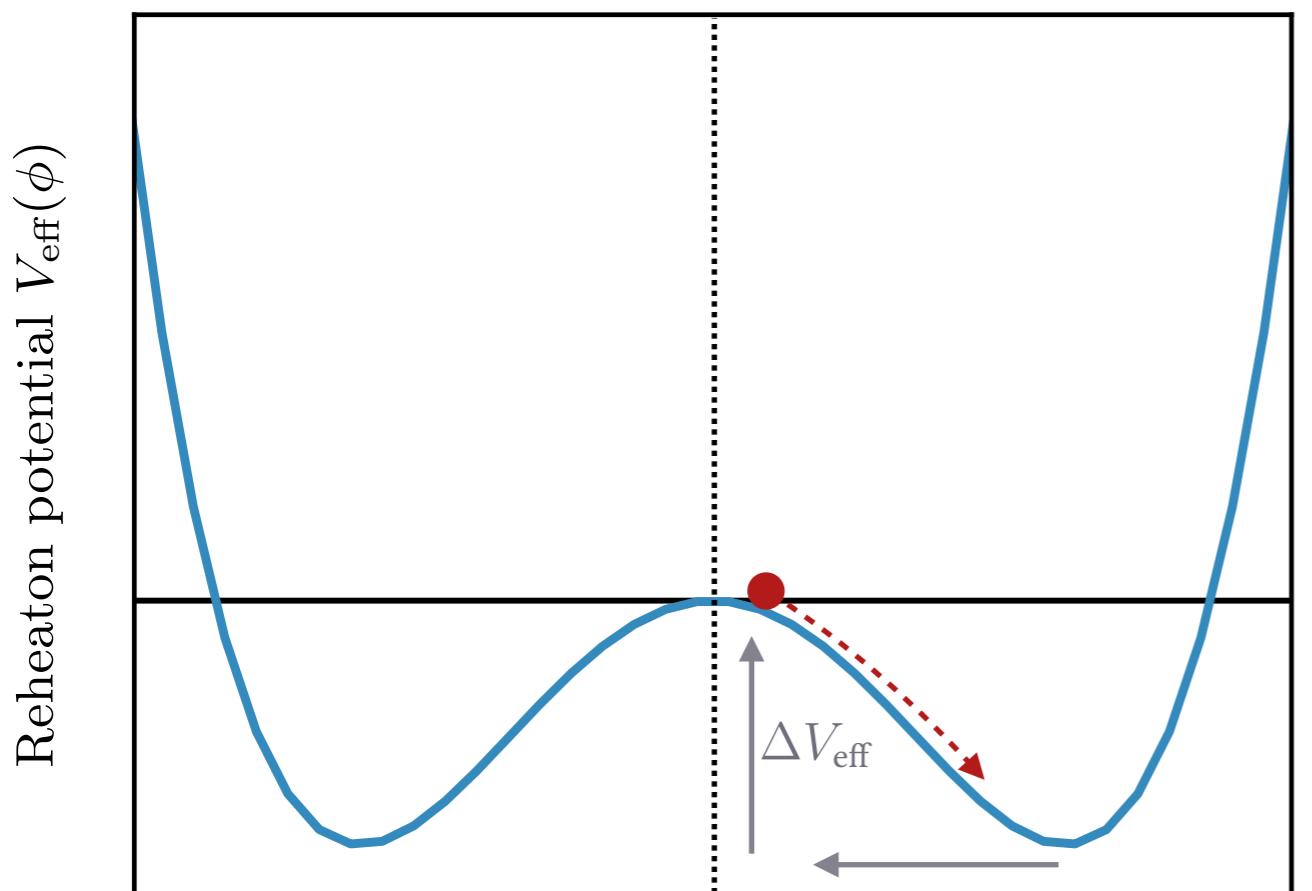
$$\phi_{\min} = H \left(\frac{3\xi(3w-1)}{\lambda} \right)^{1/2}$$

Remember H is monotonically decreasing!

Reheaton Dynamics

Consider the evolution of the $k \leq a_* H_*$ modes of the reheaton:

3.) Potential also changes strongly
as a function of time (Hubble)



$$\phi_{\min} = H \left(\frac{3\xi(3w-1)}{\lambda} \right)^{1/2}$$

Potential hill decreases as

$$\Delta V_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{9\xi^2}{4\lambda}(3w - 1)^2 H^4$$

Field rolls faster to the
minimum than the minimum
approaches the field if

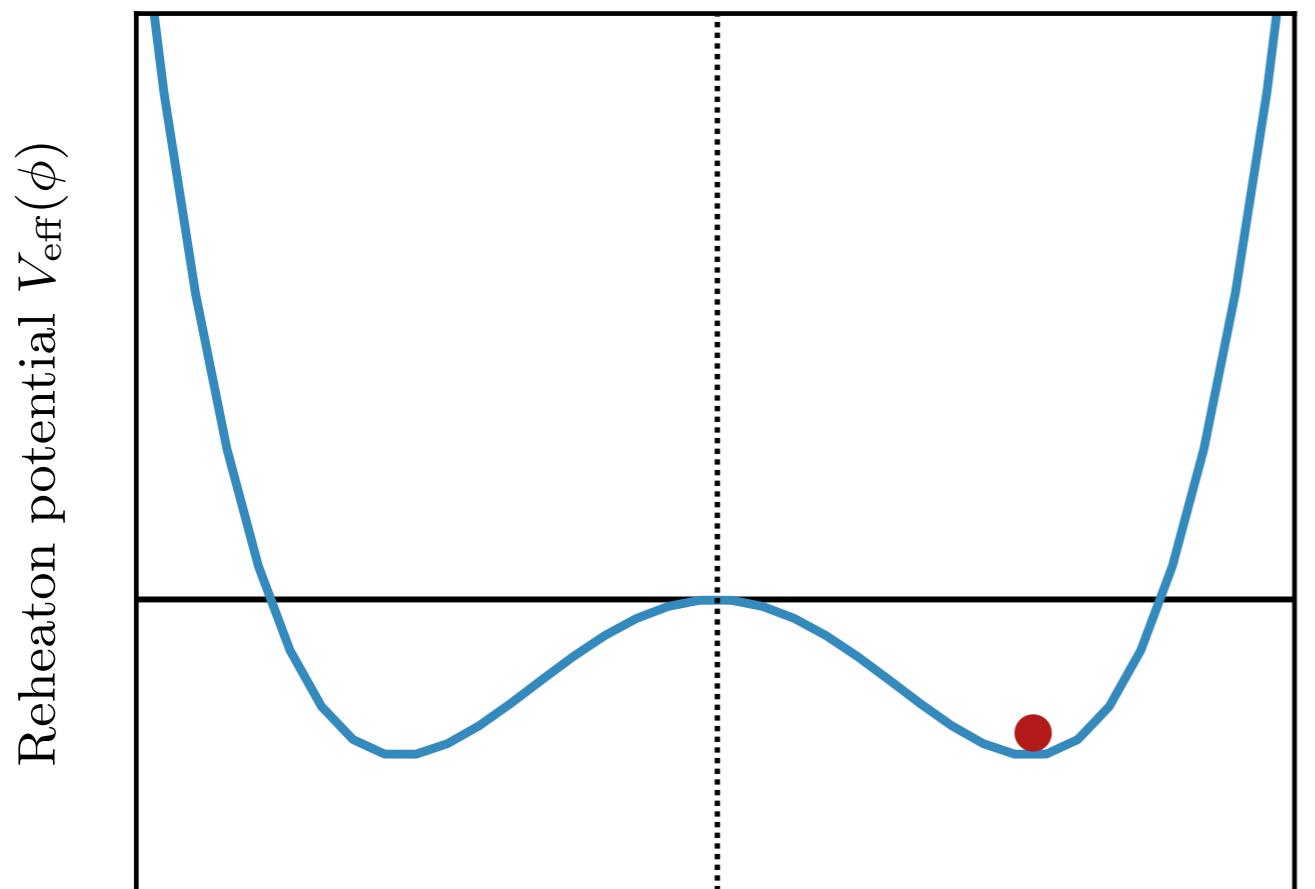
$$\xi > \frac{1}{w - 1/3}$$

Important consequences
for energy extraction

Reheaton Dynamics

Consider the evolution of the $k \leq a_* H_*$ modes of the reheaton:

4.) Field reaches the minimum



$$\phi_{\min} = H_{\min} \left(\frac{3\xi(3w-1)}{\lambda} \right)^{1/2}$$

Solving

$$\phi_{\min} = H \left(\frac{3\xi(3w-1)}{\lambda} \right)^{1/2} \stackrel{!}{=} \phi(t)$$

The Hubble time to the minimum is:

$$\left(\frac{H_{\min}}{H_*} \right)^{1+\gamma} \propto \sqrt{\lambda/\xi^{3/2}}$$

$$H_{\min} \sim 10^{-2} H_*$$

For $\xi, w \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$
and $10^{-5} \lesssim \lambda \lesssim 10^{-2}$

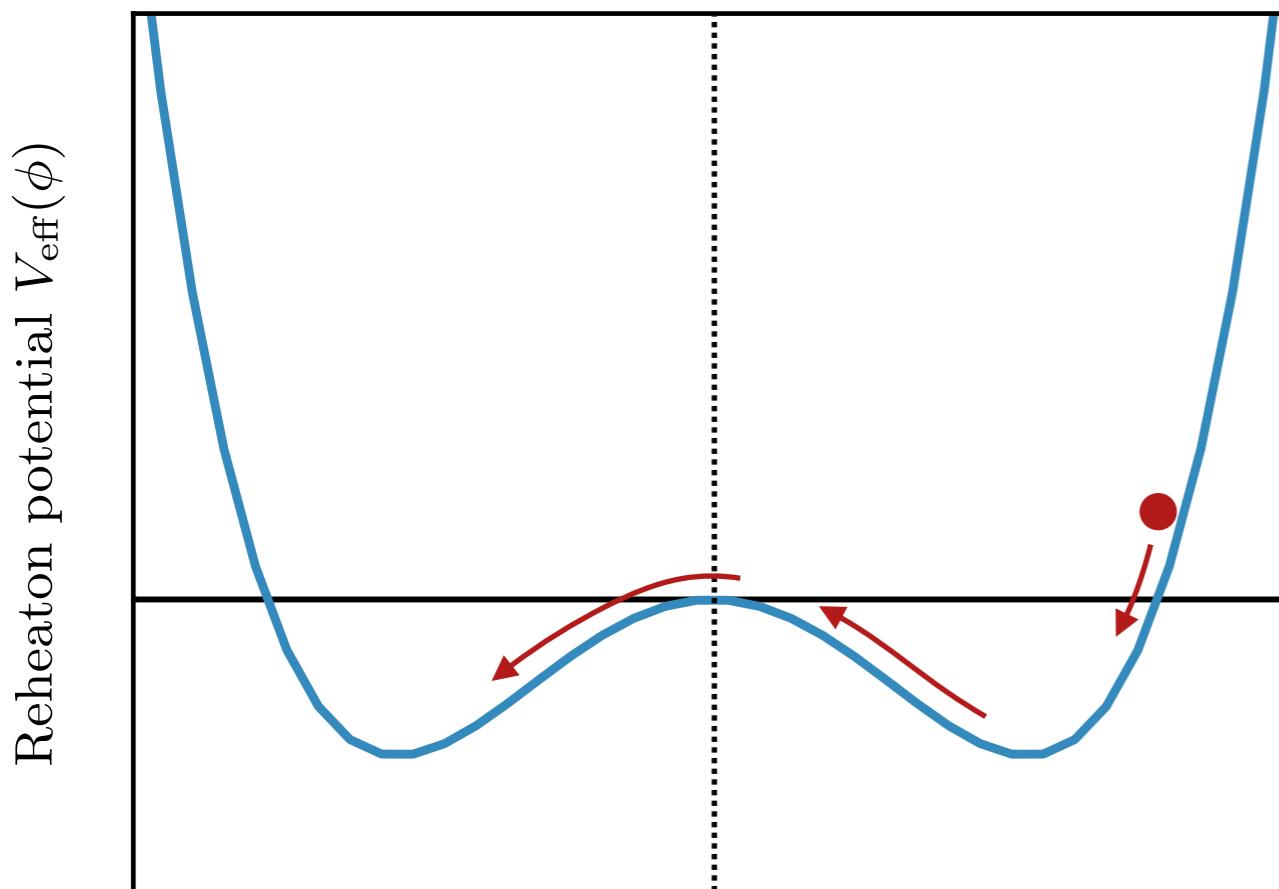
and

ΔV_{eff} reduced by a factor 10^8

Reheaton Dynamics

Consider the evolution of the $k \leq a_* H_*$ modes of the reheaton:

5.) Field is turned by the quartic coupling



Potential hill decreases by the time the field reaches it again

- oscillates around the quartic
- $\langle w_\phi \rangle = 1/3$ (radiation)

Rad. scaling continues until:

- Bare mass becomes relevant
- Reheaton decays

Tracking the EoS scaling important for GW signal

Energy Extraction by the Reheaton

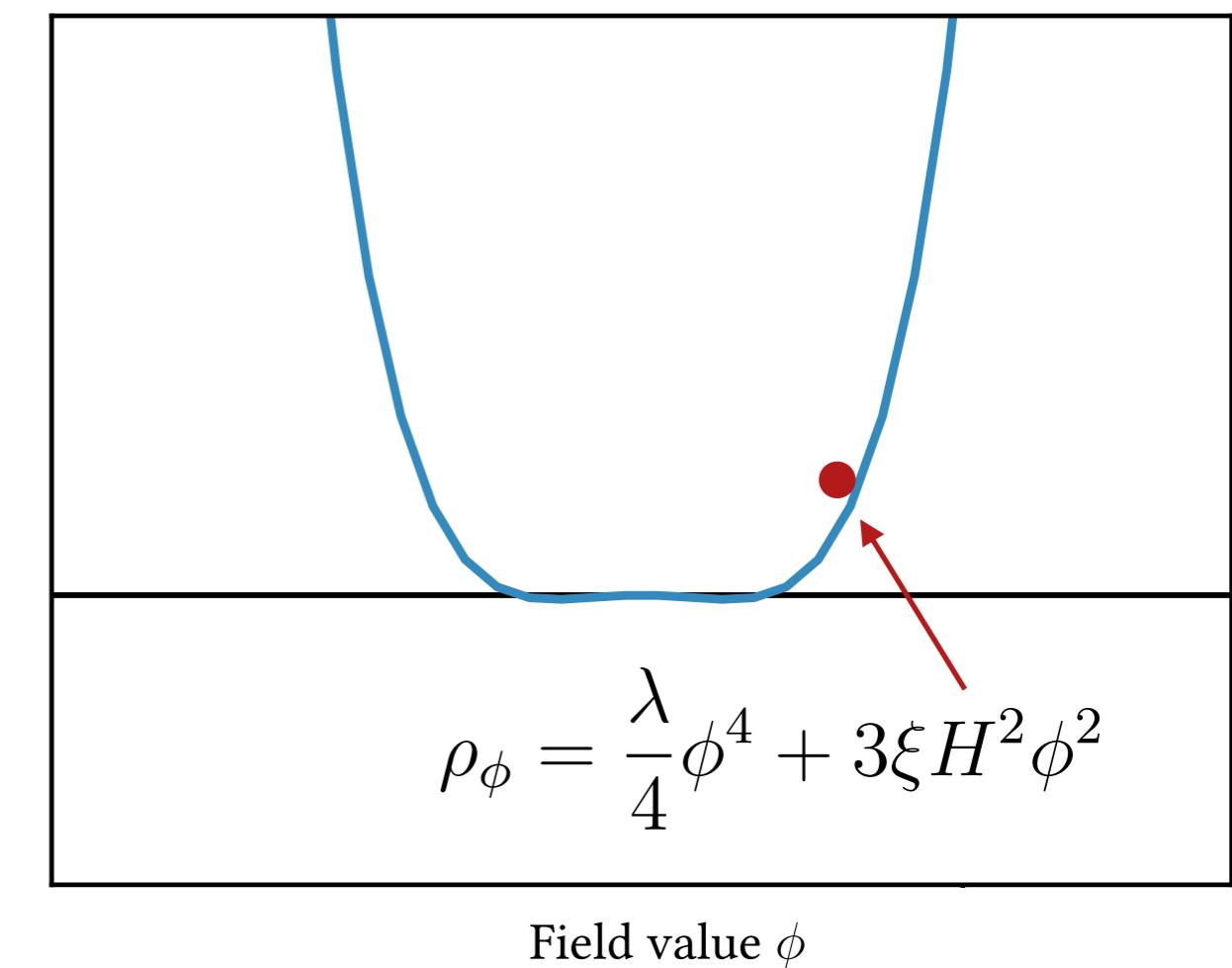
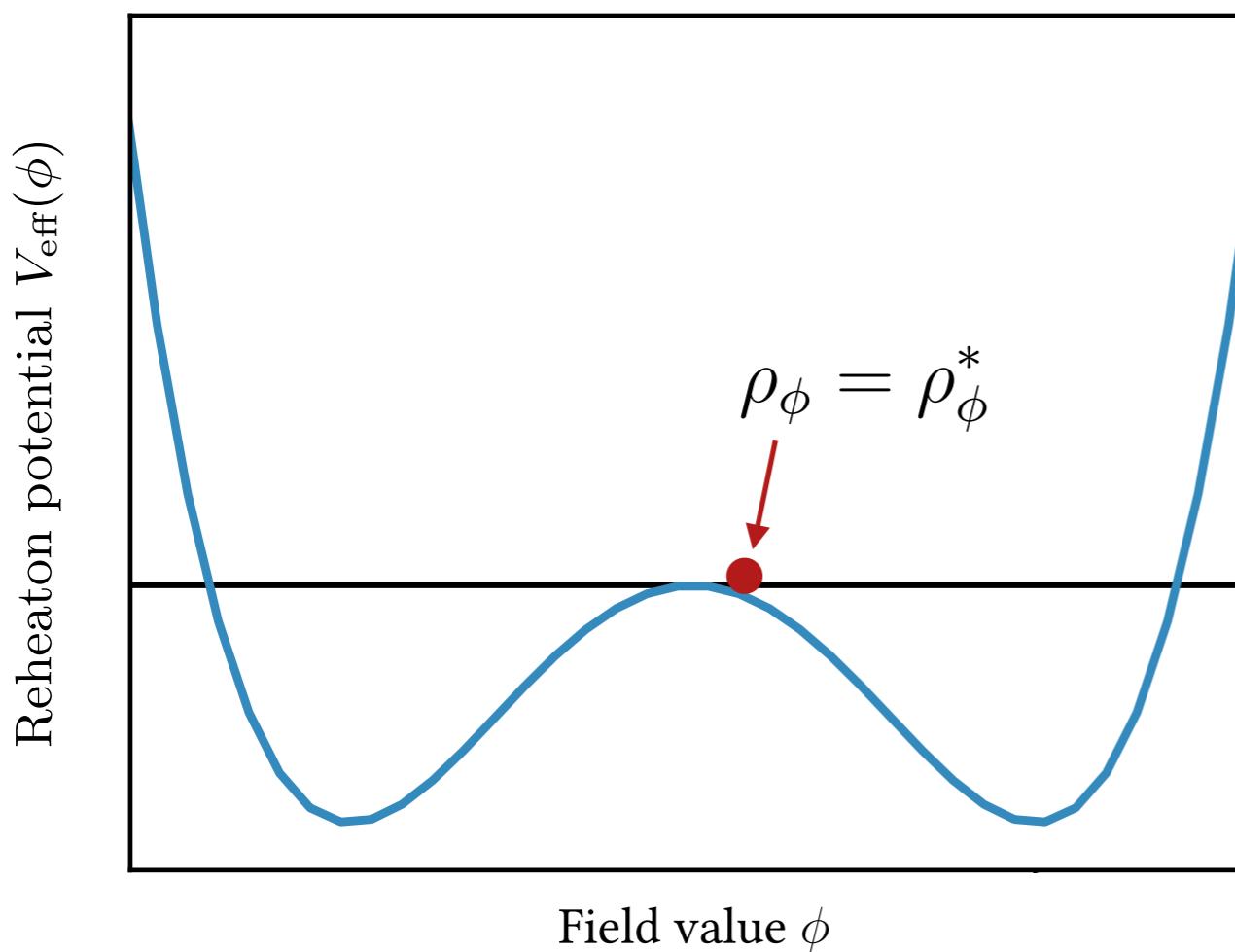
Significant growth in energy density through displacing the field

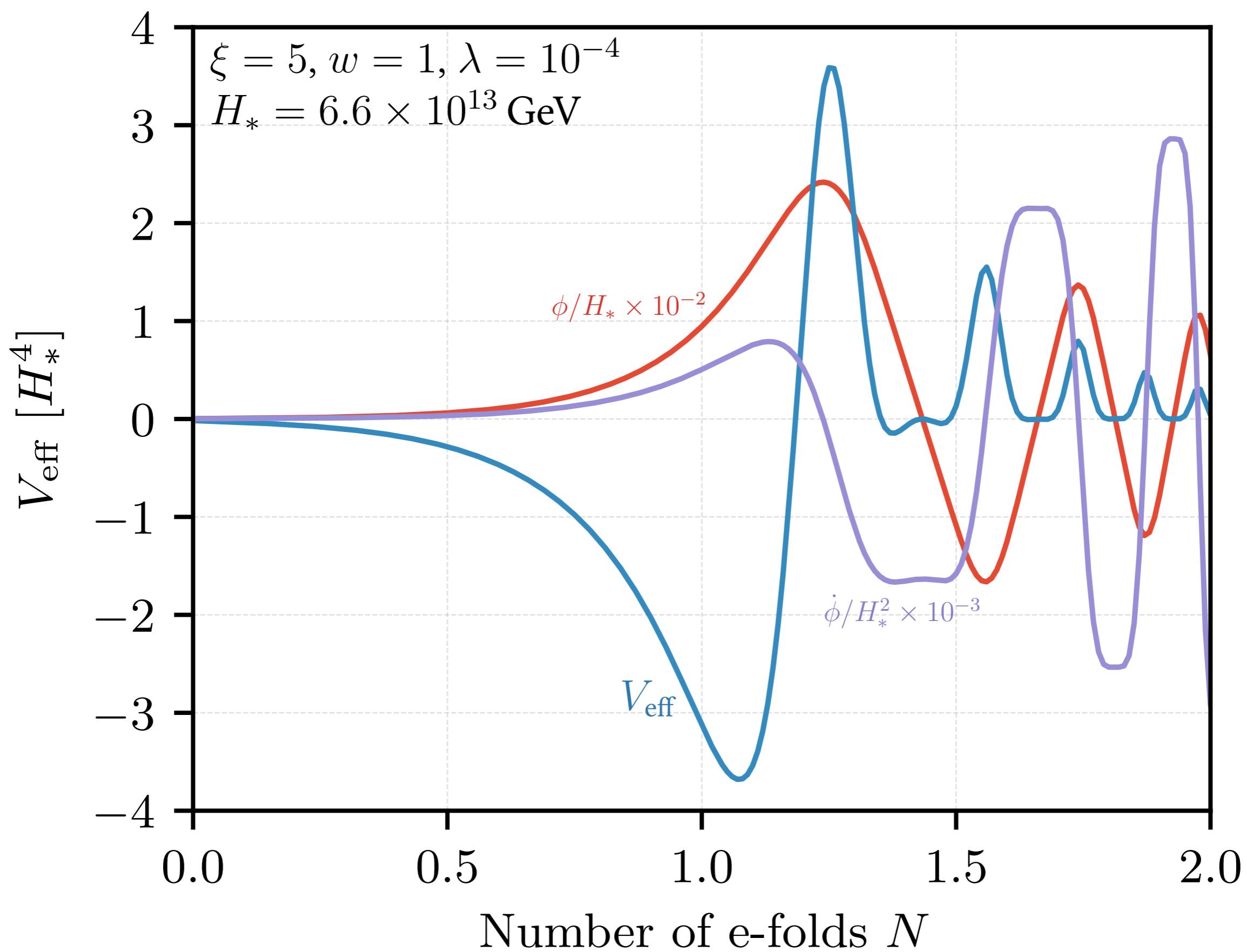
Large ξ gives large field displacements

Alternatively

$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} + V'(\phi) \simeq \underbrace{\xi(3w - 1)\frac{\rho_{\text{inf}}}{M_P^2}\phi}_{\text{Inflaton energy density acts as a source for the reheaton}}$$

Inflaton energy density acts as a source for the reheaton





Reheating Constraints

Two options:

- Reheating after reheaton-kination equality

$$T_{\text{RH}} = \left(\frac{90}{\pi^2 g_{\text{RH}}} \right)^{1/4} \sqrt{\Gamma M_P}$$

Reheaton decay width determines reheating
(exactly the same as textbook reheating case)

- Reheating at reheaton-kination equality

$$T_{\text{RH}} = \left(\frac{45}{\pi^2 g_{\text{RH}}} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \sqrt{H_{\text{ke}} M_P}$$

Hubble at reheaton-kination equality

For remainder of this talk: consider this case
with only radiation scaling ($m^2 \ll H_*^2$)

Inflationary GW Background

[Review: C. Caprini and D. Figueroa 1801.04268]

Unavoidable stochastic background produced during de-Sitter period

$$\rho_{\text{GW}} = T_{\text{GW}}^{00} = \frac{\langle \dot{h}_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) \dot{h}_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) \rangle}{32\pi G_N}$$

For a Fourier transformed, statistically homogeneous, isotropic and unpolarised GW background

$$\langle h'_r(\mathbf{k}, \tau) h'^*_p(\mathbf{q}, \tau) \rangle = \frac{8\pi^5}{k^3} \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{q}) \delta_{rp} \mathcal{P}(k)$$

Power spectrum is flat for perfect de-Sitter*

$$\mathcal{P}(k) \simeq \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{H_*^2}{M_P^2}$$

*Deviations from perfect de-Sitter during inflation lead to the observed spectral tilt in the CMB

Observable is the energy density fraction redshifted to today

$$\Omega_{\text{GW}}^0(k) \equiv \frac{1}{\rho_c} \frac{d\rho_{\text{GW}}}{d \log k} \simeq \frac{k^2}{12H_0^2 a_0^2} T^2(k, k_0) \mathcal{P}(k)$$

Transfer function (redshifting & boundary matching)

N_{eff} and Planck

GWs inside the horizon contribute to number of relativistic DOFs

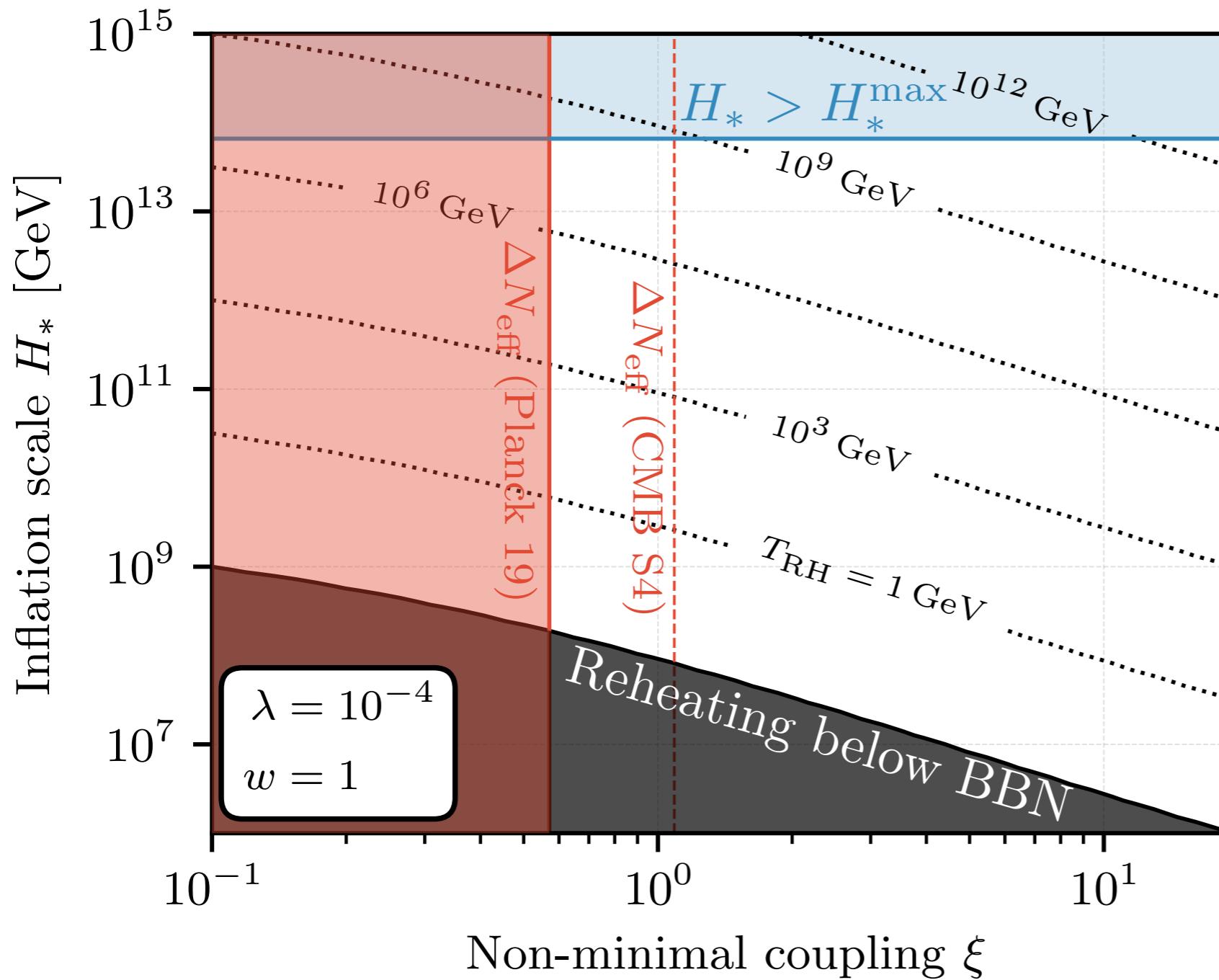
$$\Delta N_{\text{eff}} = \frac{8}{7} \left(\frac{11}{4} \right)^{\frac{4}{3}} \frac{\Omega_{\text{GW}}^0}{\Omega_\gamma^0} \quad \text{with} \quad \Omega_{\text{GW}}^0 = \int \frac{df}{f} \Omega_{\text{GW}}^0(f)$$

* N_{eff} is sensitive to total energy density
not just at a particular frequency

$\Delta N_{\text{eff}} < 0.284$ at 95% C.L. (TT,TE,EE+lowE+lensing+BAO)

[Planck 2018]

Detectability



Caveat:
Reducing λ further
increases T_{RH}

But $\phi_{\min} \simeq M_P$
 $\Rightarrow \lambda \geq 3 \times 10^{-12}$
 $\Rightarrow T_{\text{RH}} \leq 6 \times 10^{15} \text{ GeV}$
 $\xi = 4\pi, w = 1, H_* = 6.6 \times 10^{13} \text{ GeV}$