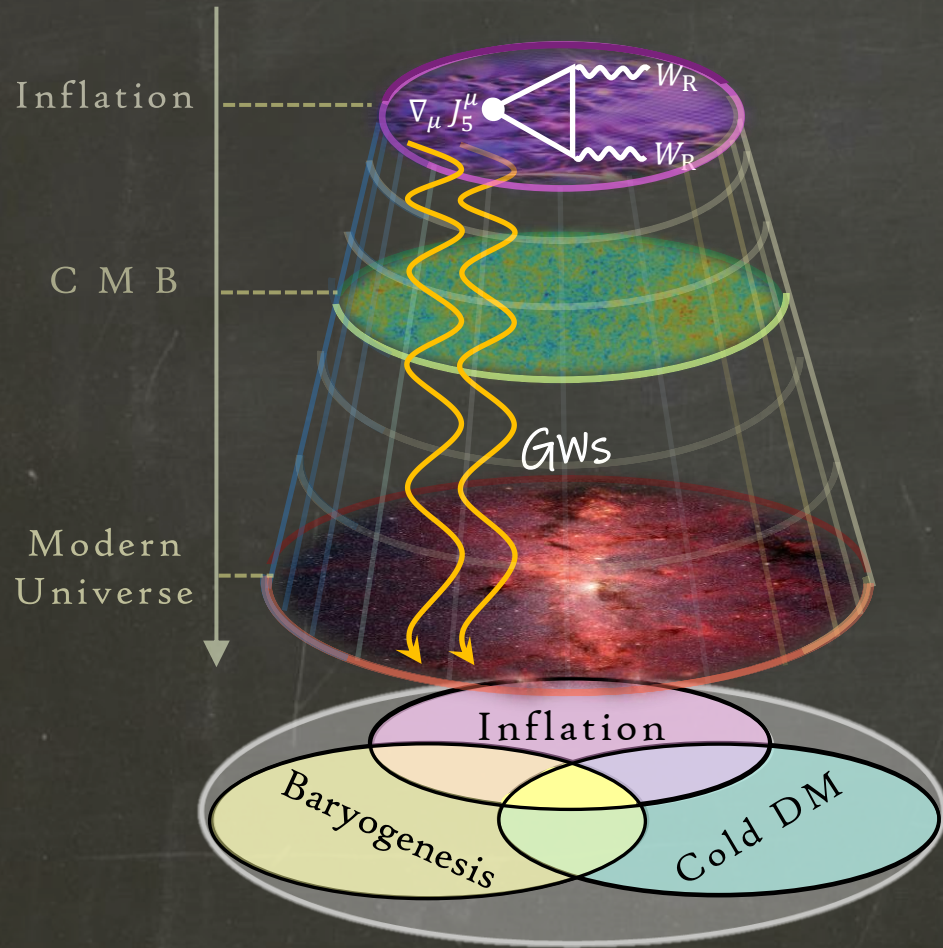


# Gauge fields in the early Universe and their remnants in the Sky



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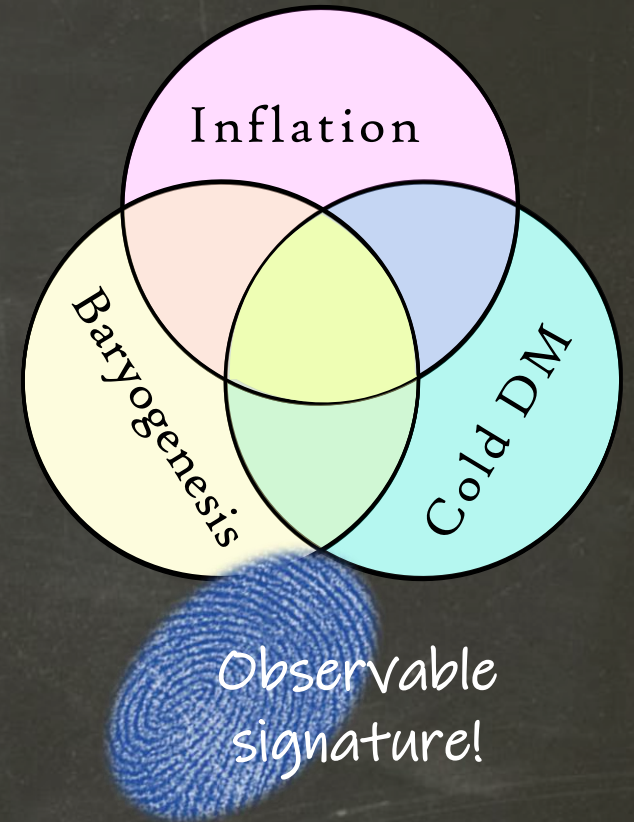
- Fermions & QFT Anomalies

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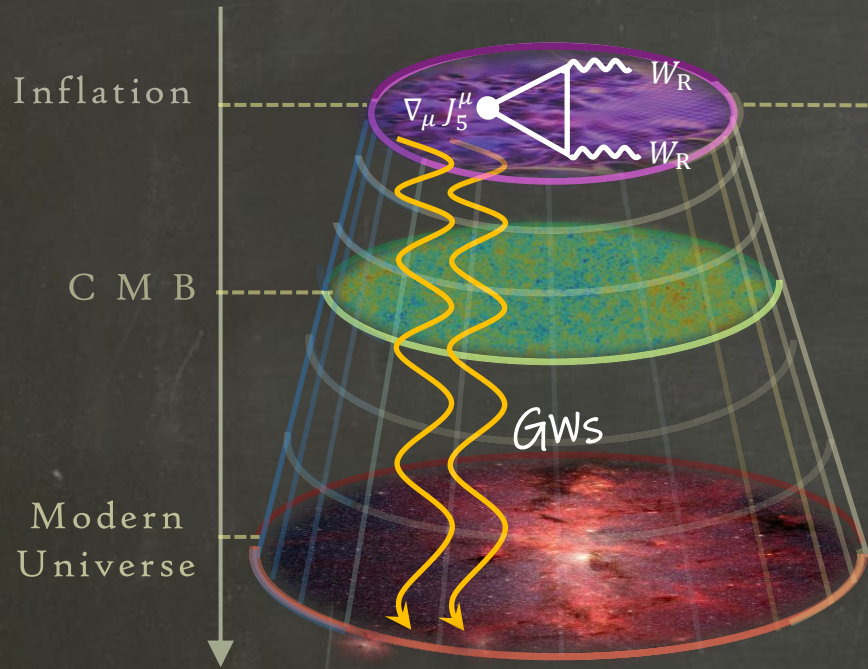
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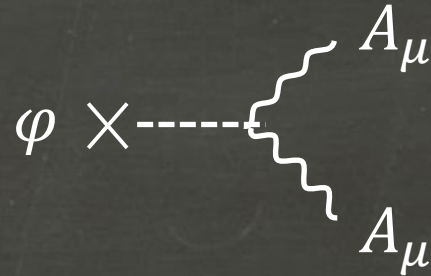


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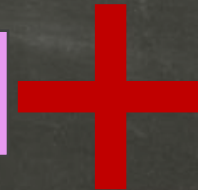
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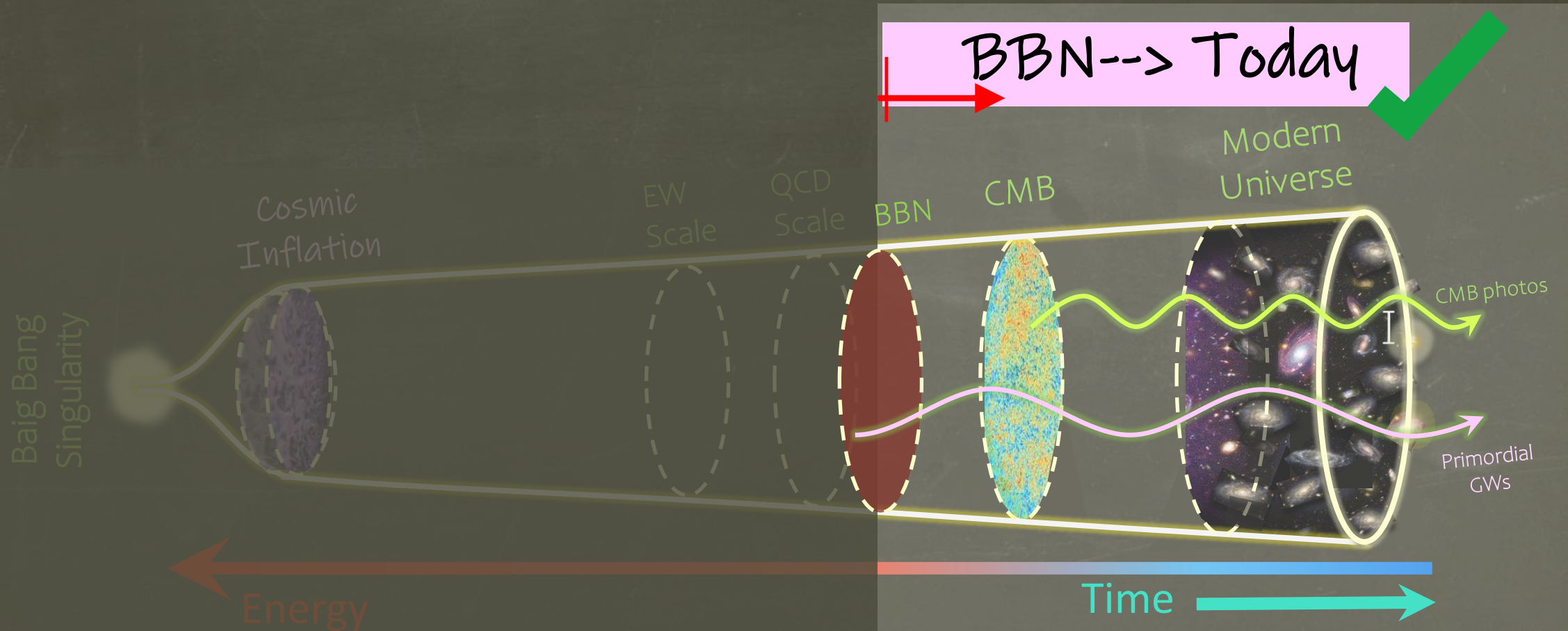
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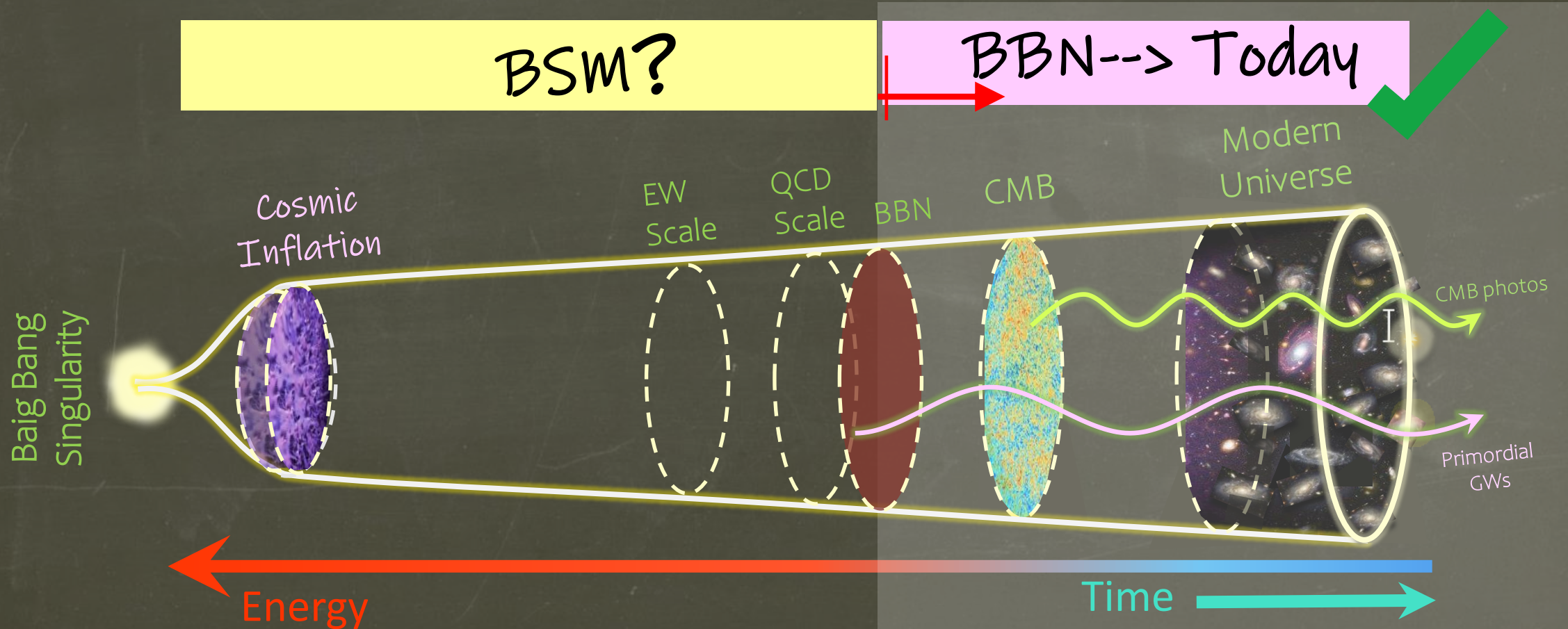
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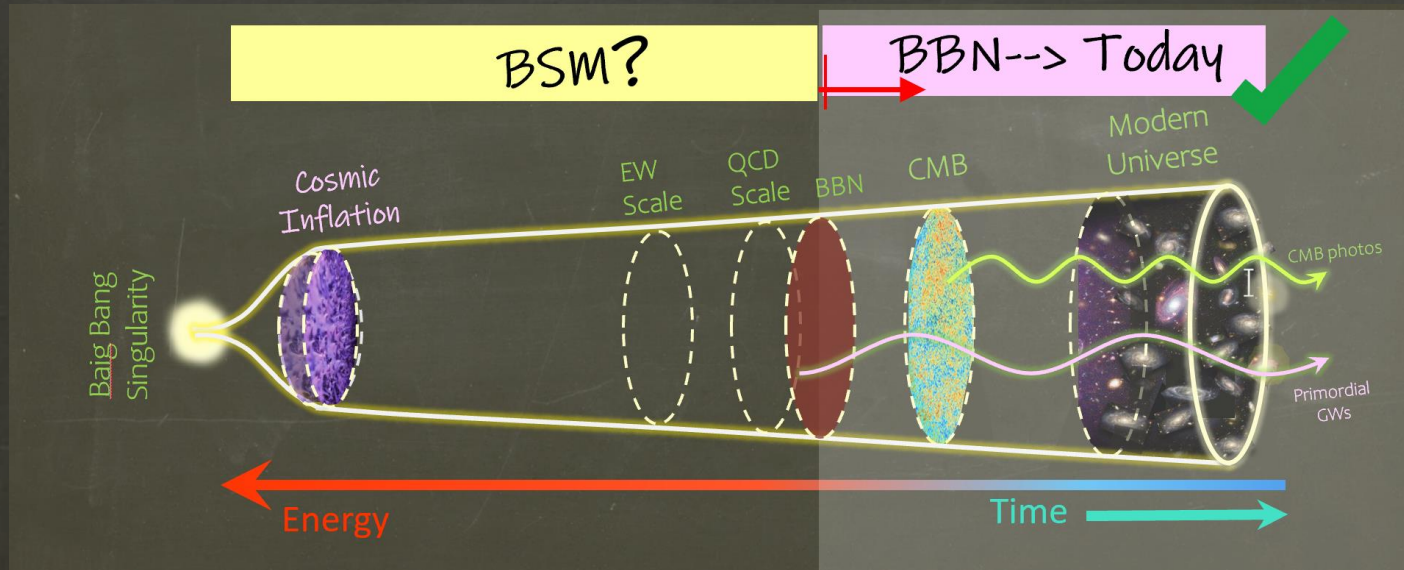
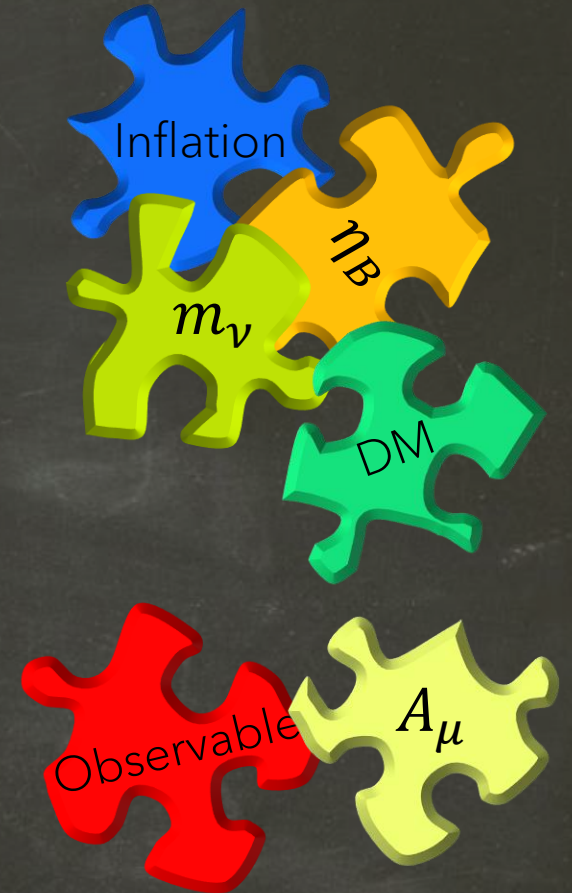
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# Puzzles of SM & Cosmology

- I) Particle physics of Inflation
- II) Origin of matter asymmetry
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Puzzles of  
Standard Model of Particle Physics (SM)  
& Cosmology Which need  
Physics Beyond SM



# Cosmic Inflation

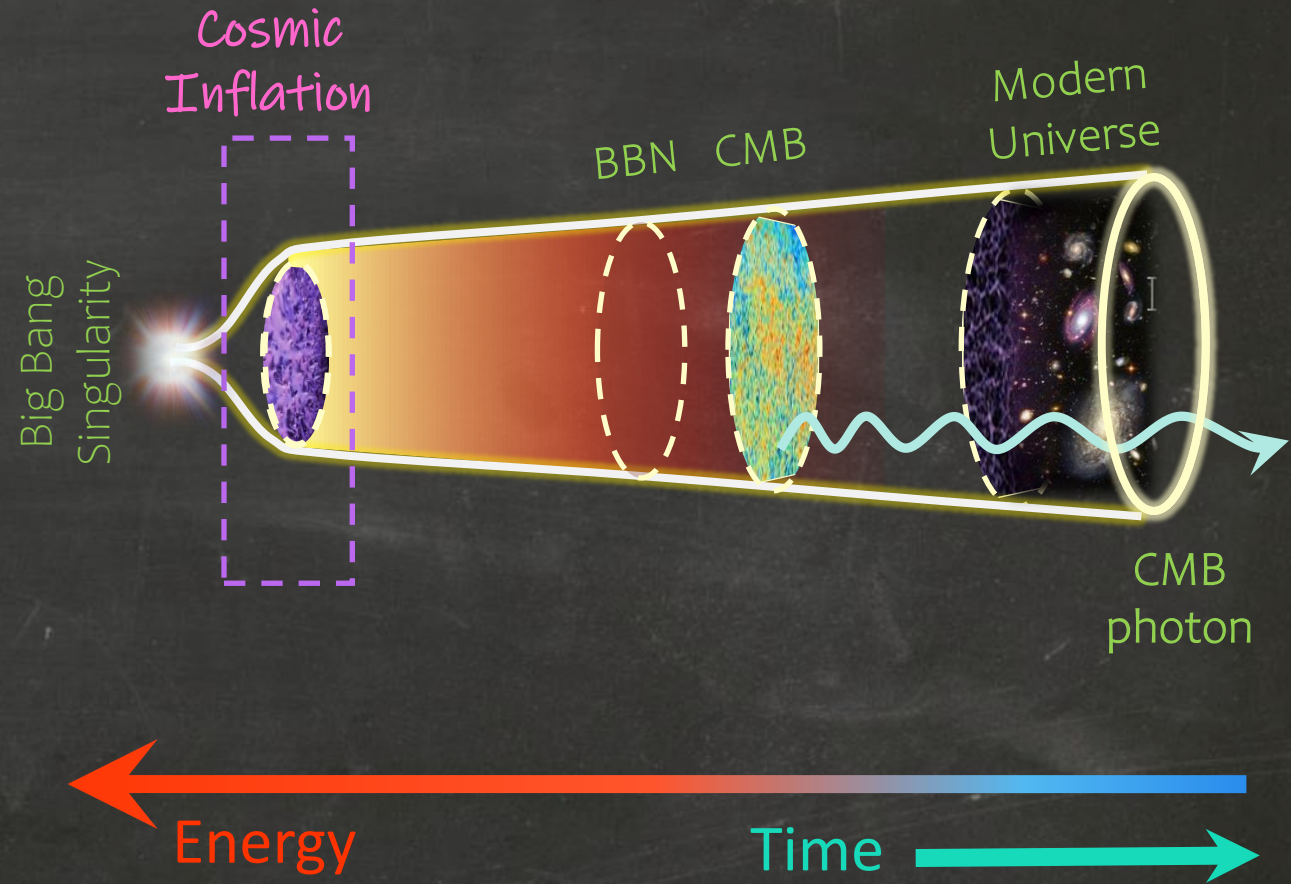
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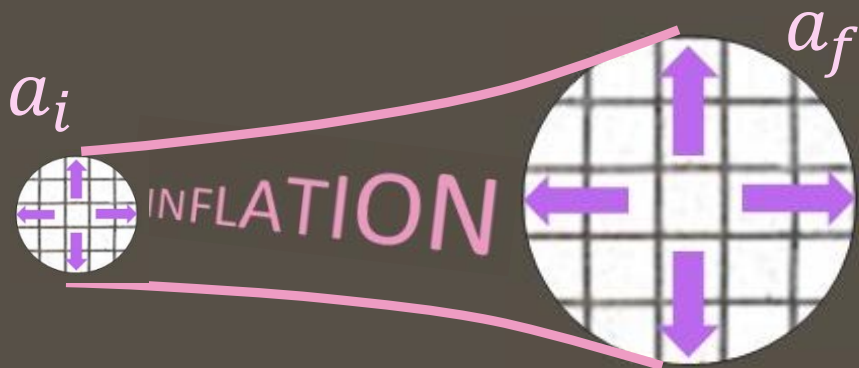
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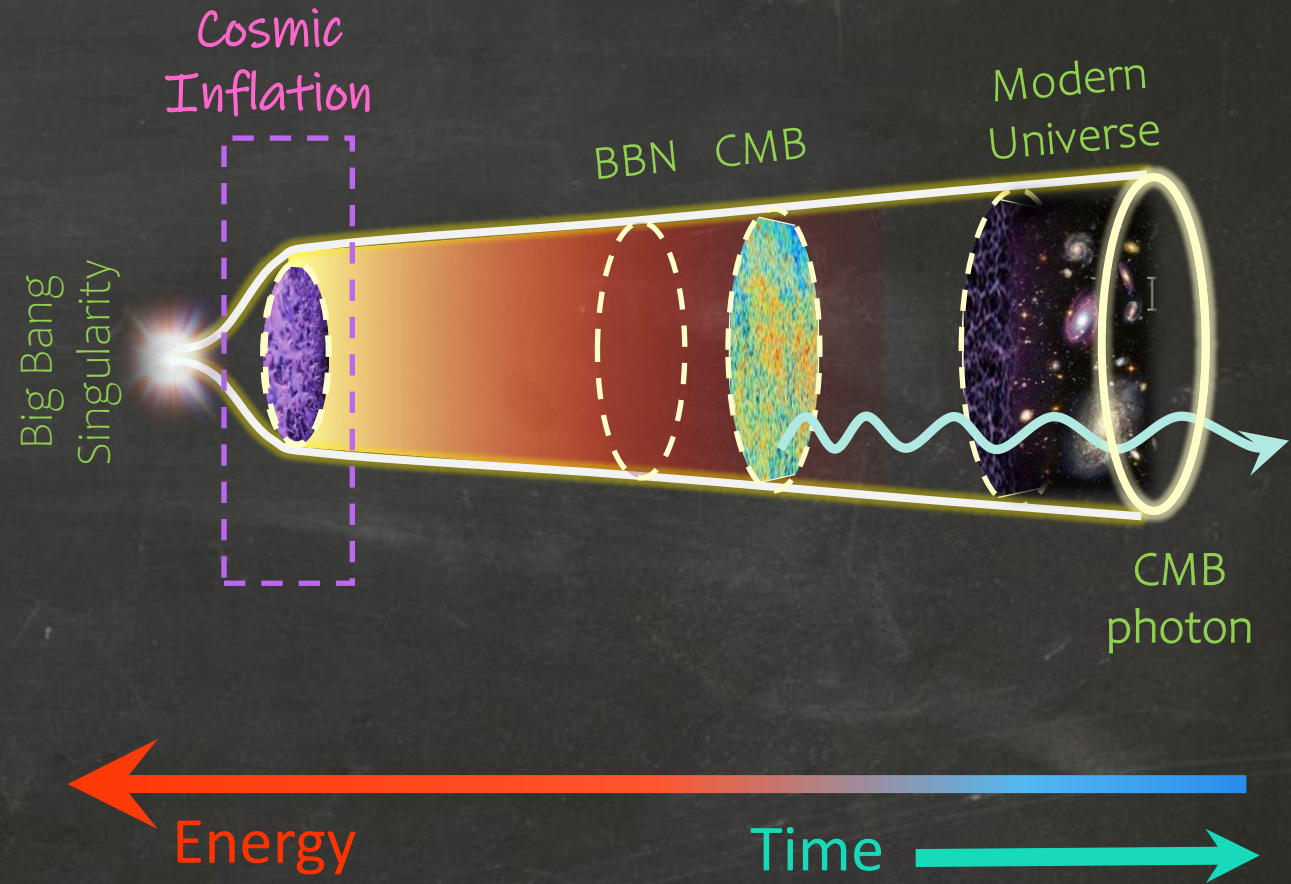
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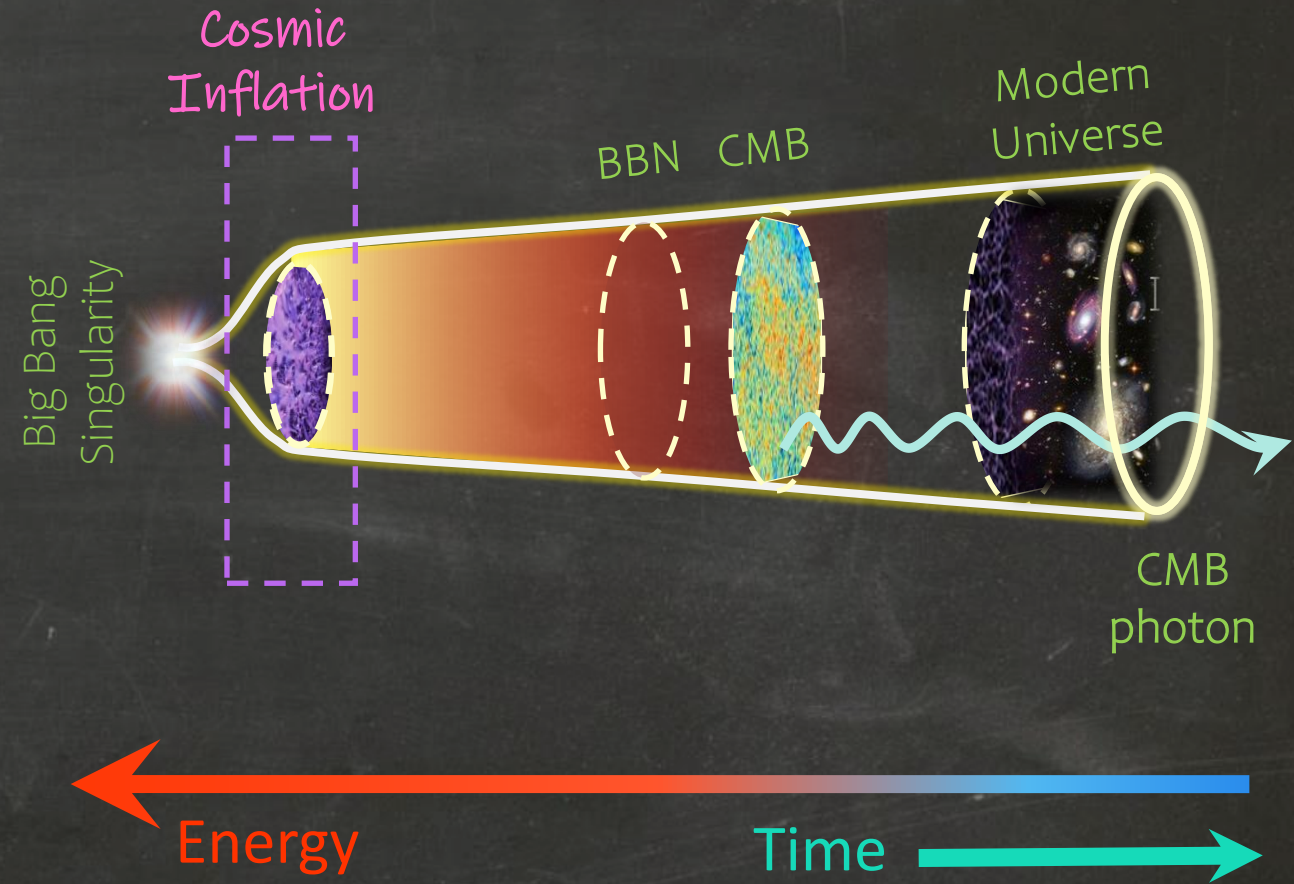
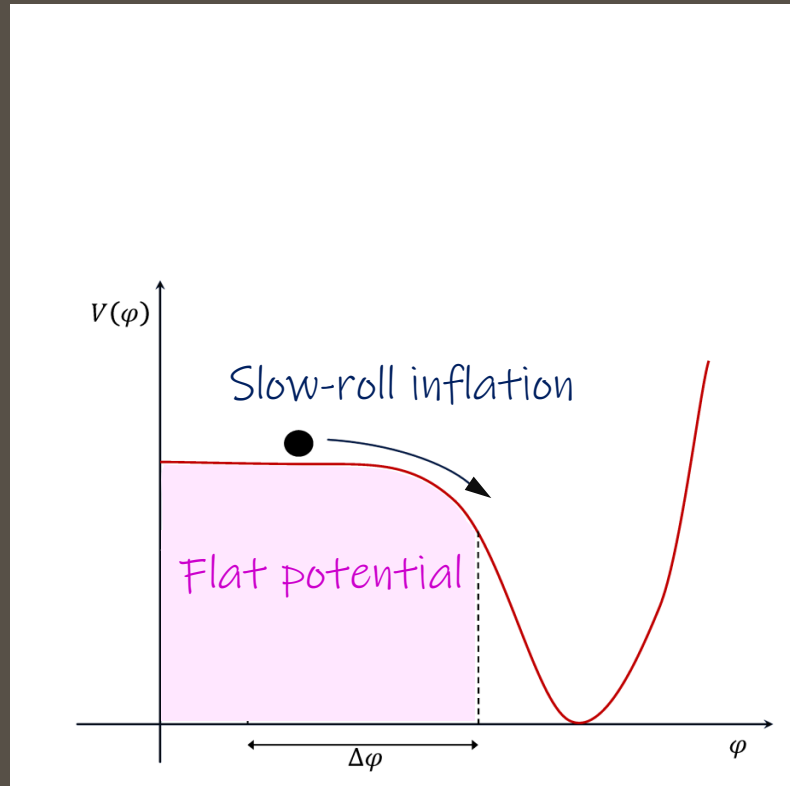
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# What caused inflation?

A scalar field "slow-rolling" toward its true vacuum provides a simple model for inflation.



# Quantum Fluctuations in Cosmology



$$\hbar \neq 0$$

# Quantum Vacuum $\hbar \neq 0$

Due to Uncertainty Principle

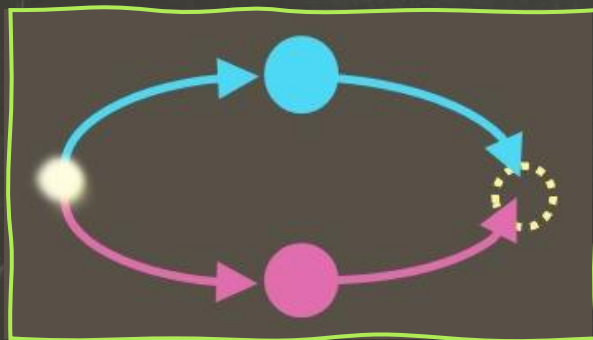
$$\Delta x \Delta p \geq \hbar/2$$

quantum vacuum is NOT nothing!

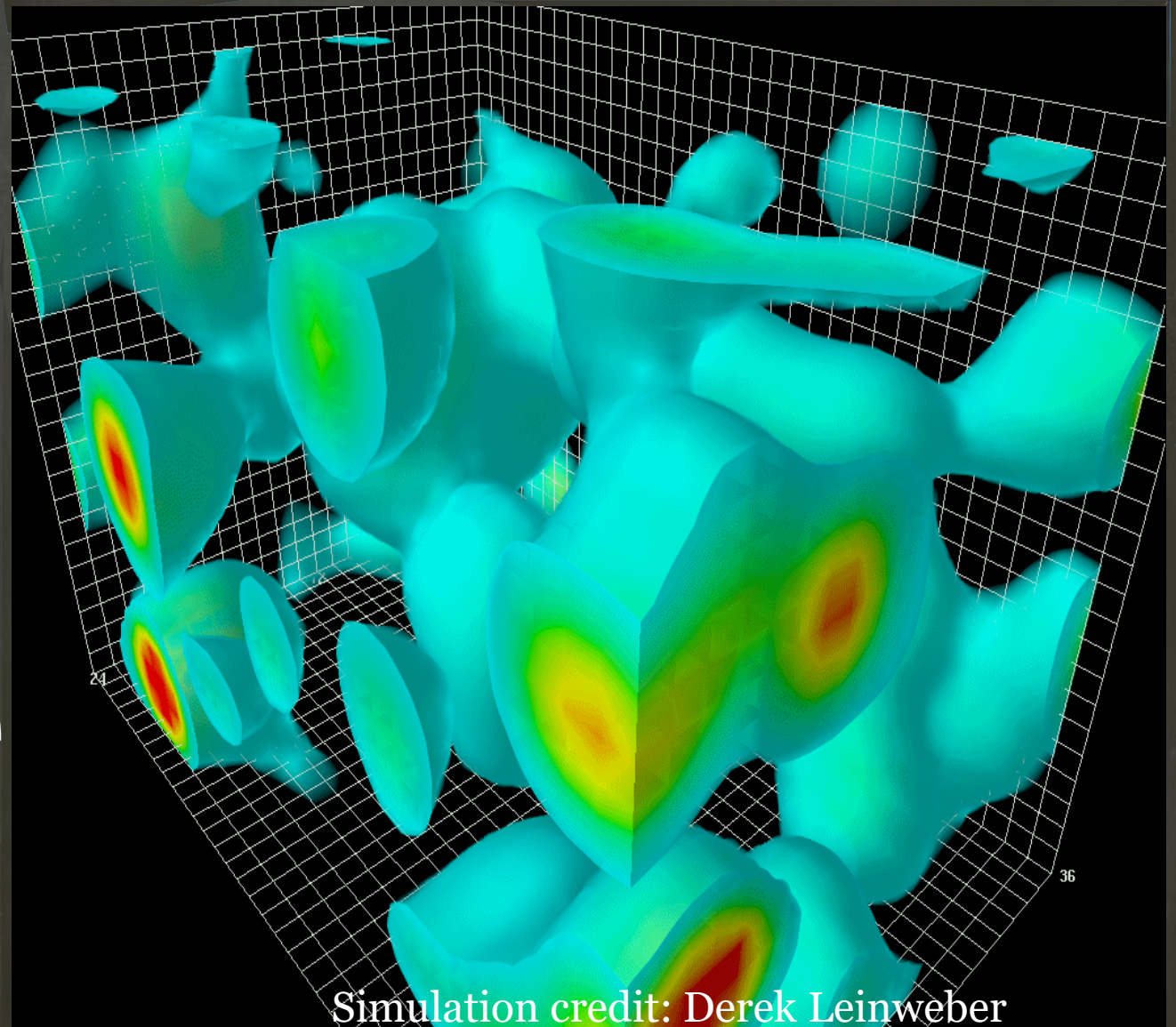
But, a vast ocean made of

**Virtual particles**

vacuum



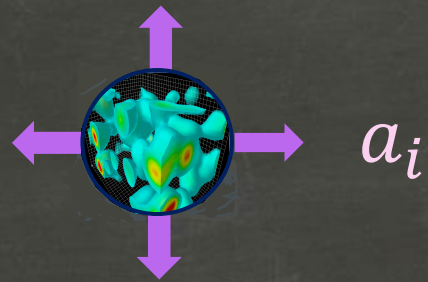
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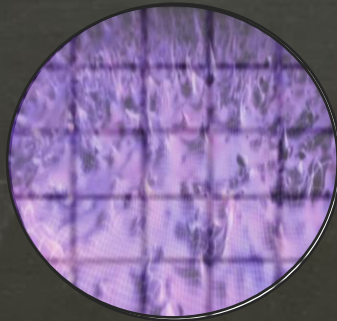
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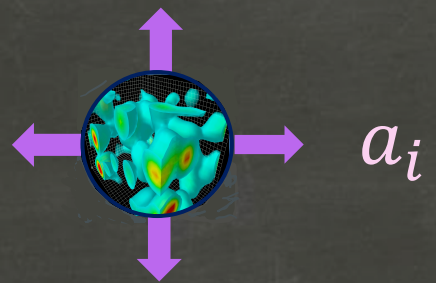


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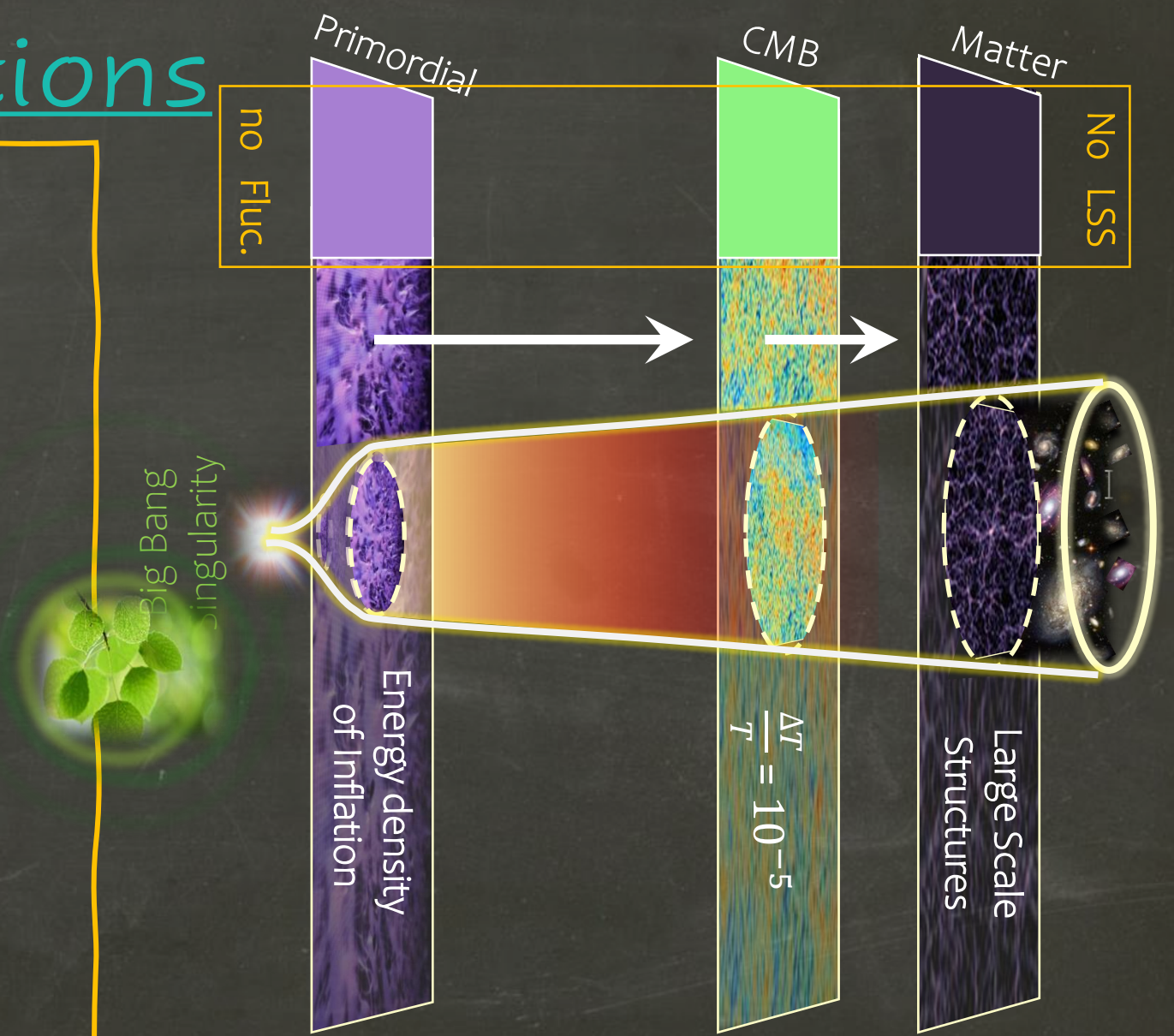


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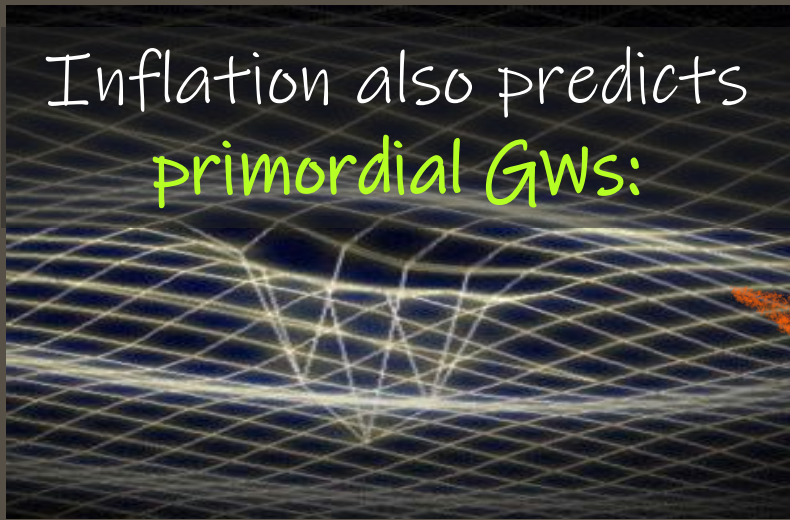


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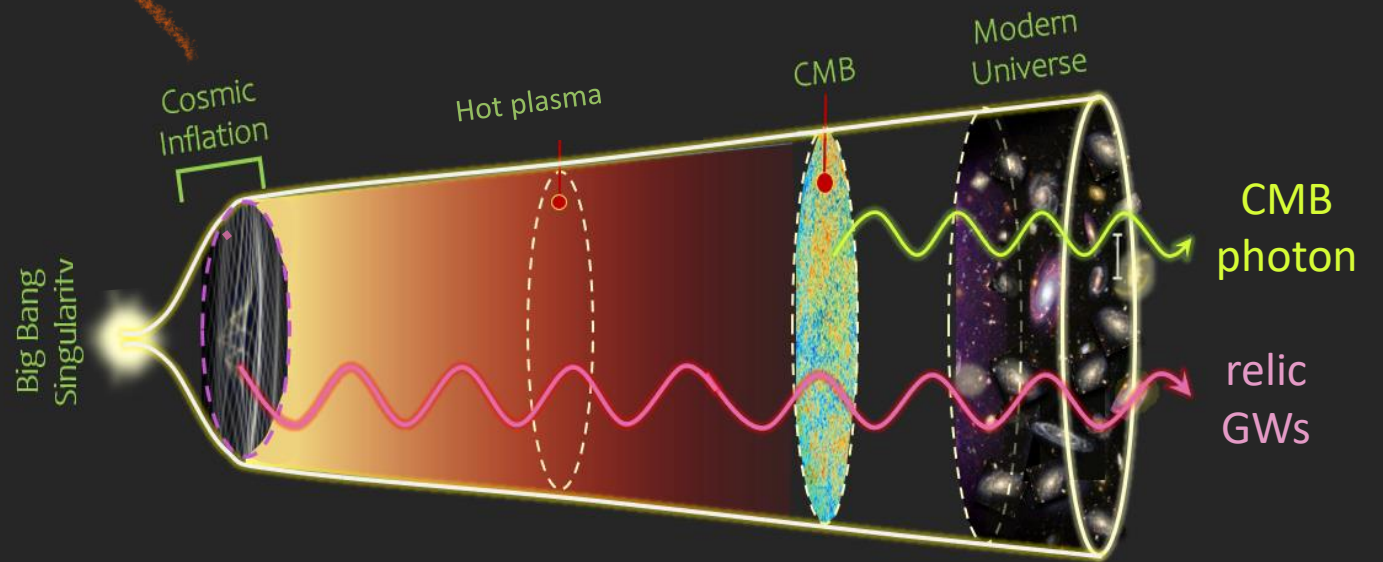
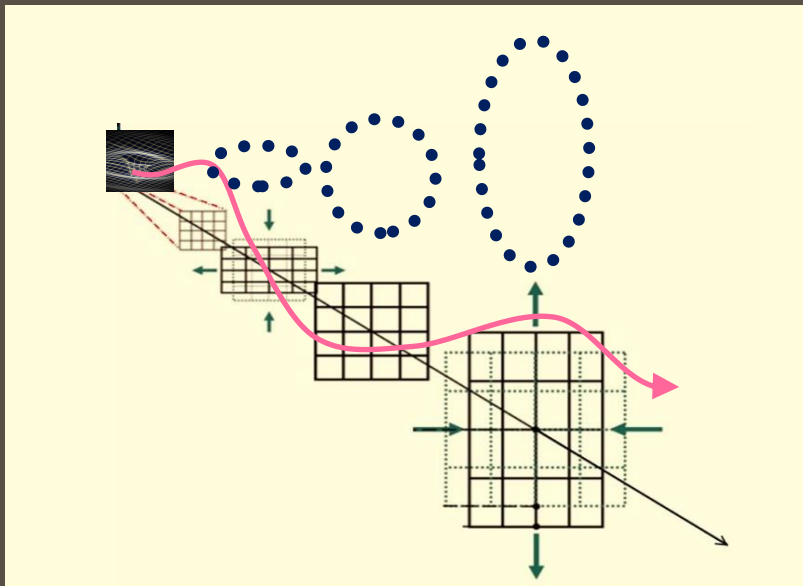


# Primordial Gravitational Waves

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**Primordial GWs:** tiny waves in the fabrics of the space-time that squeeze and stretch anything in their path as they pass by.



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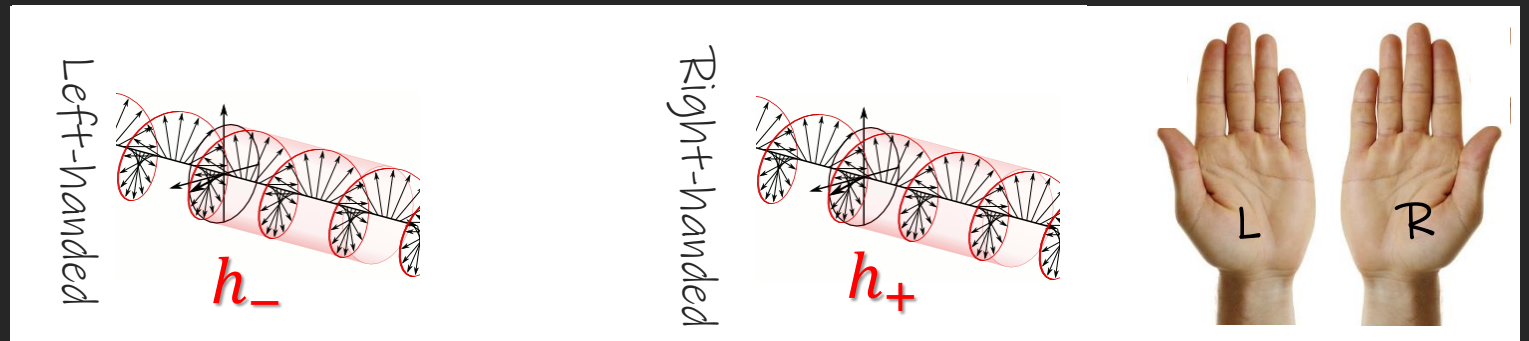
- o Vacuum GWs

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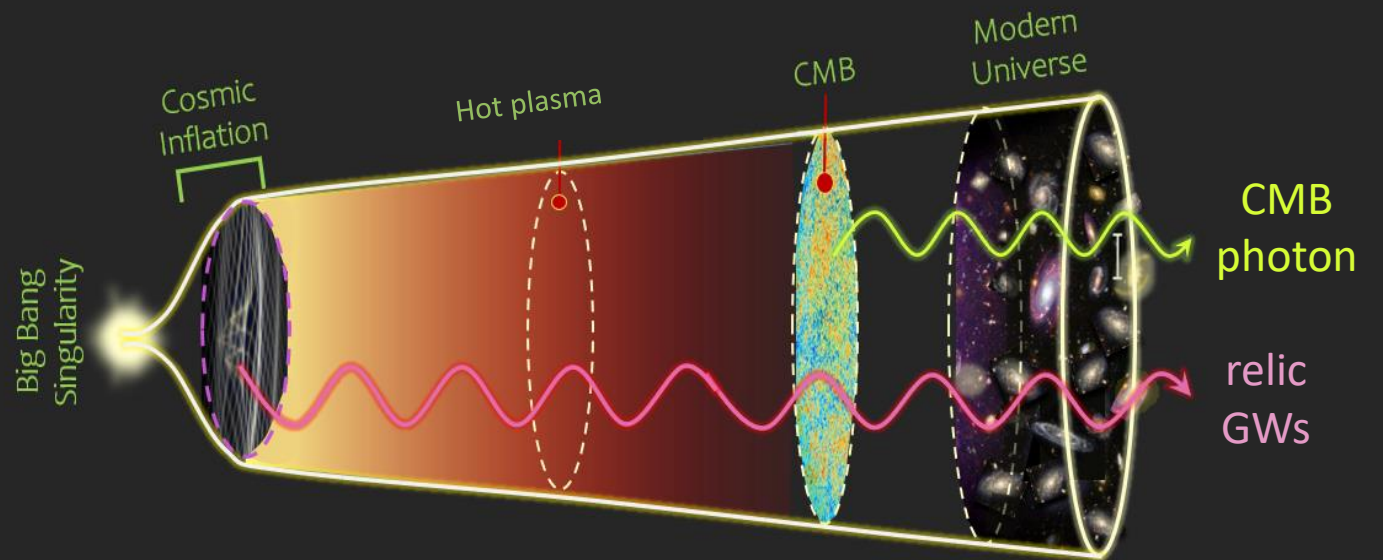
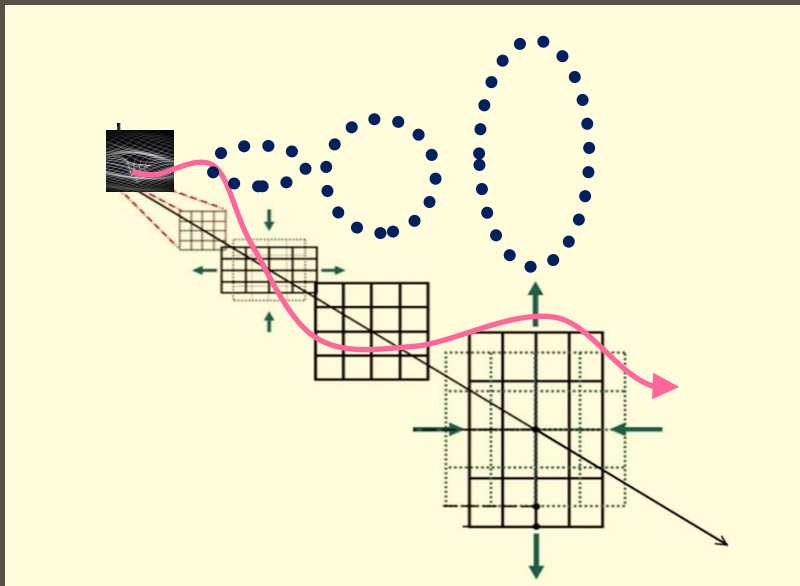
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Circular polarizations





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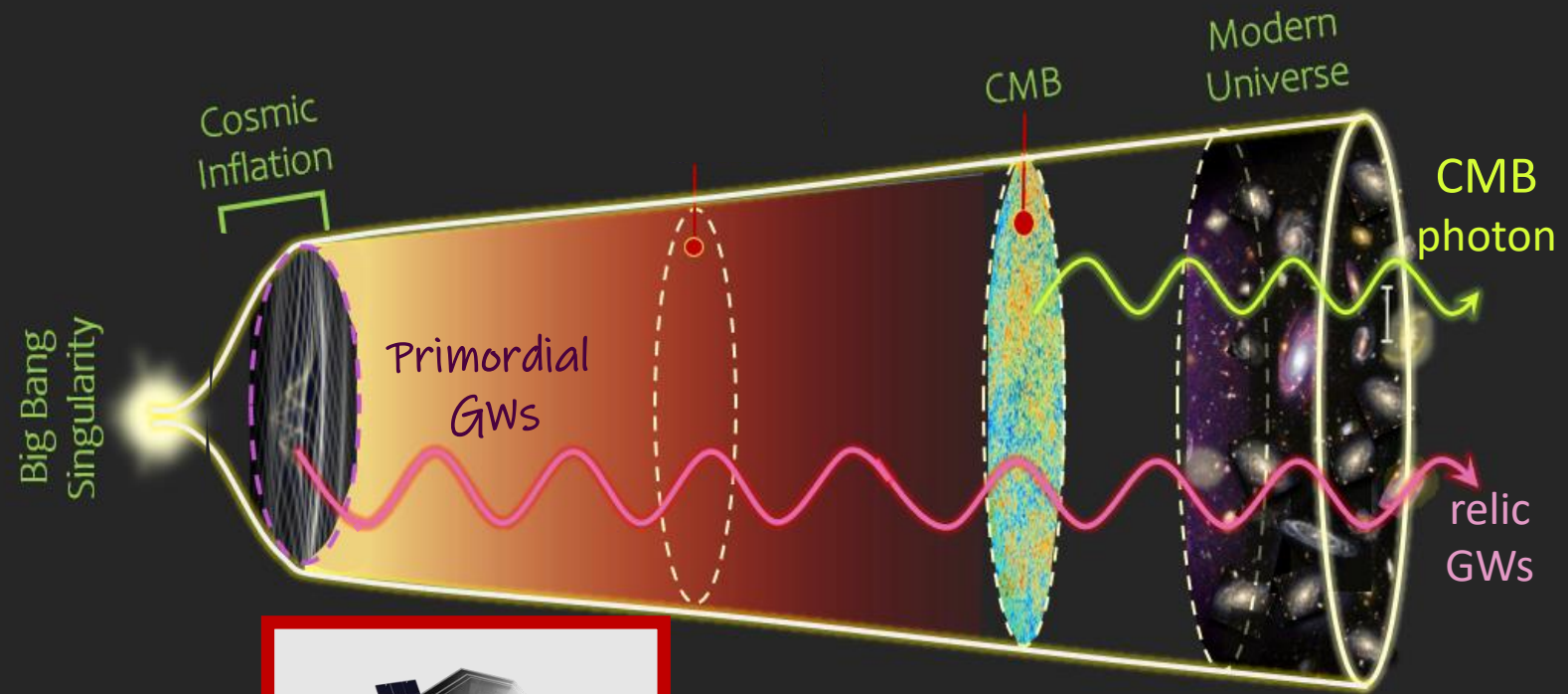
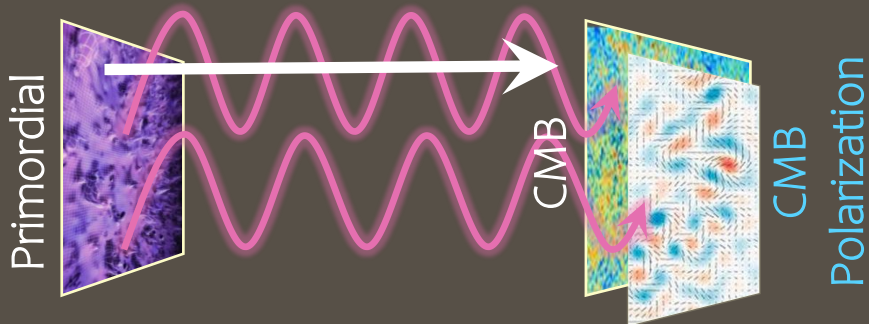
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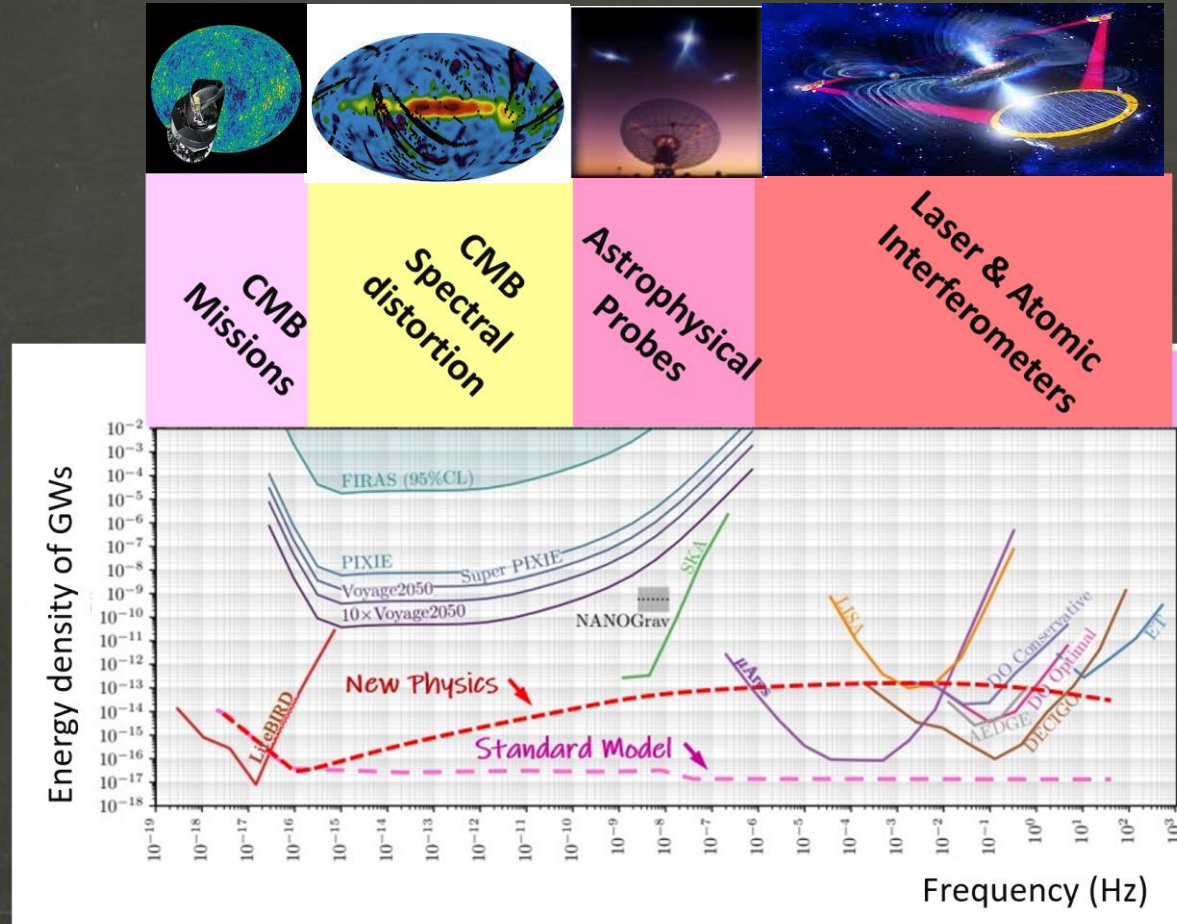
- CMB polarization



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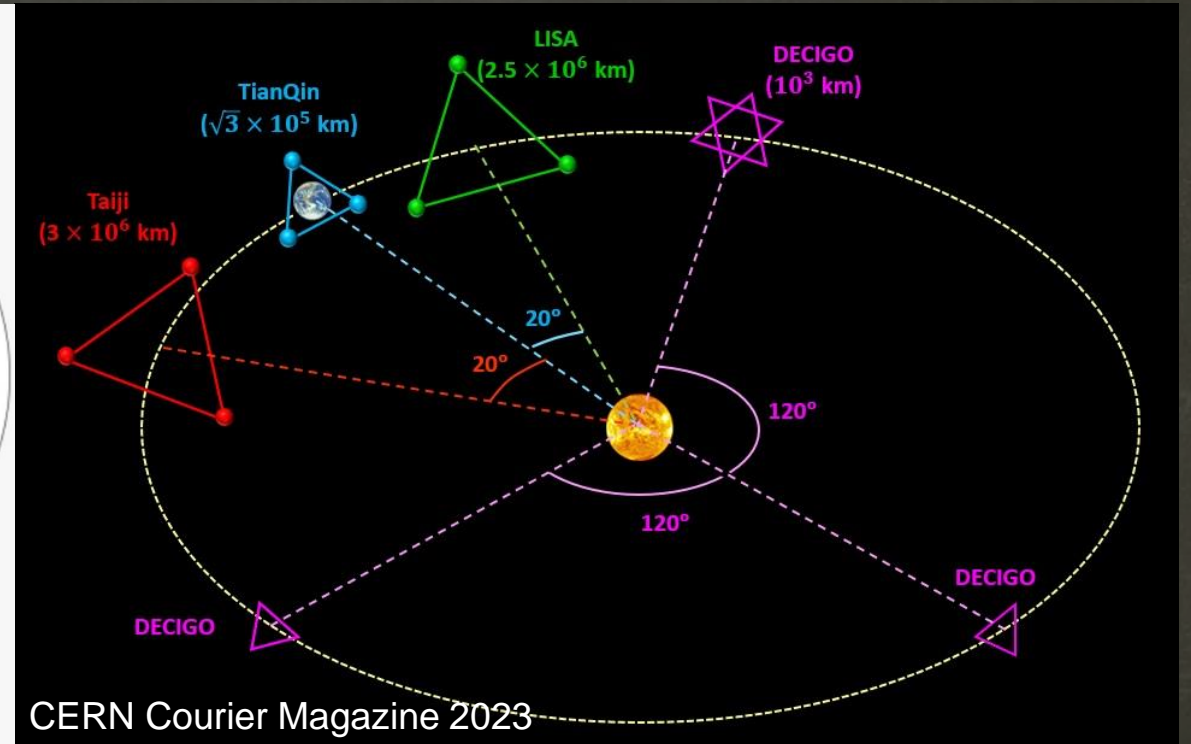
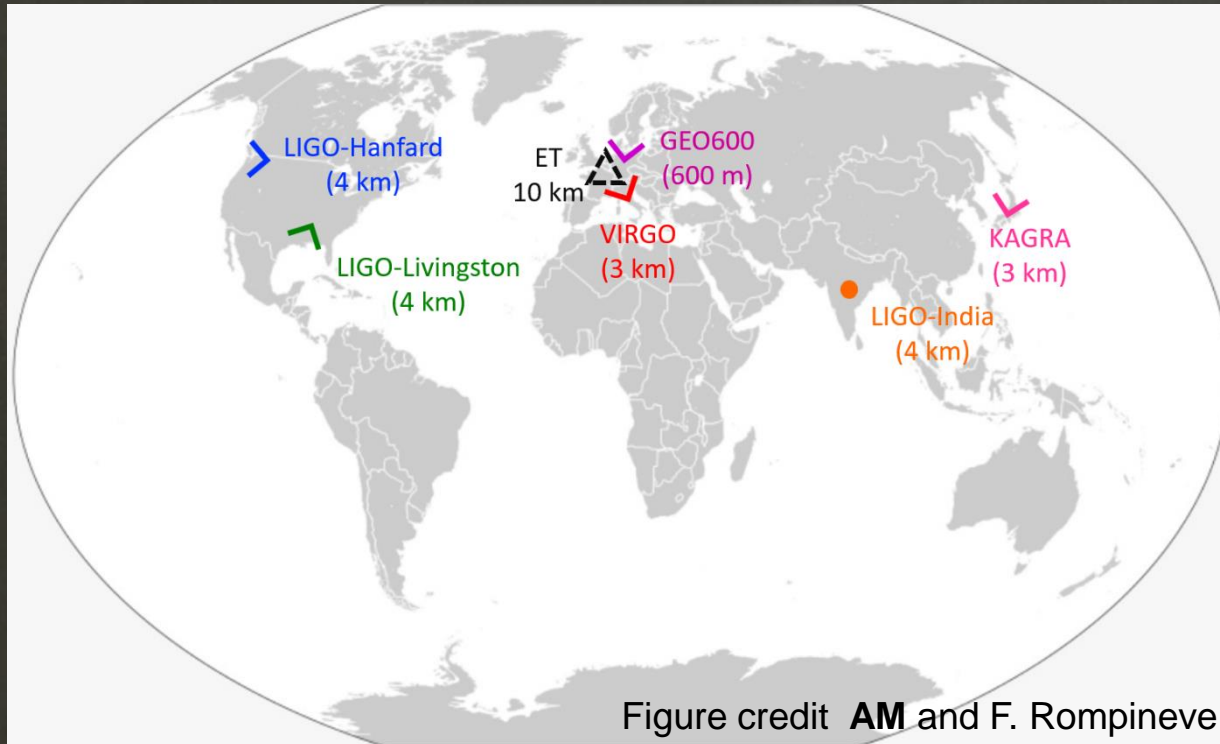


# Sensitivity curves on energy density of GWs



# Networks of GWs Detectors

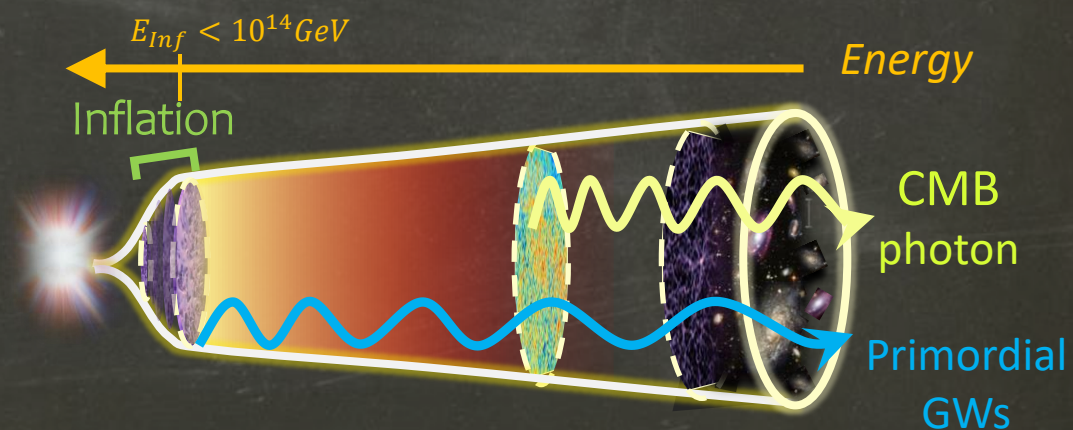
Network of laser interferometer detectors of GWs on Earth (left) & in the sky (right)



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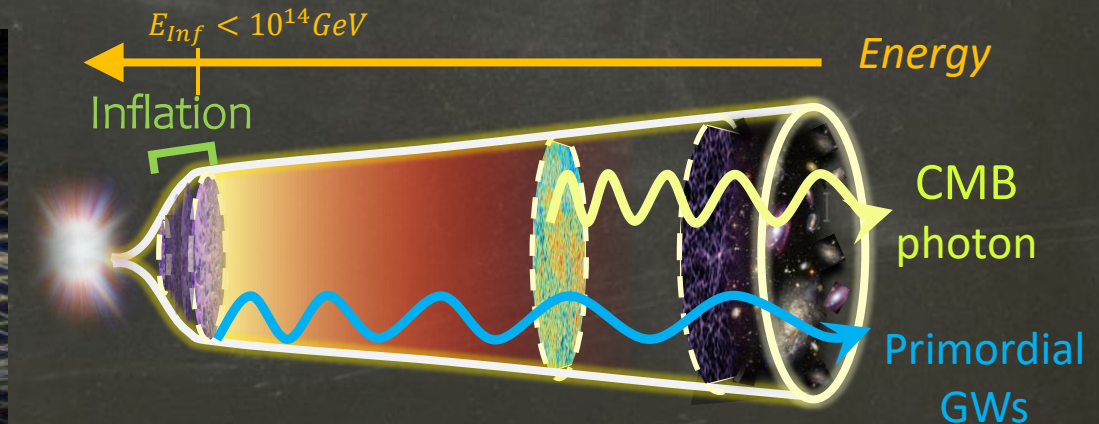
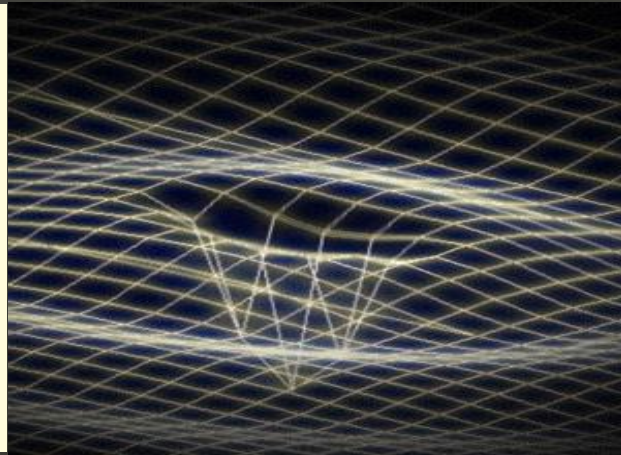
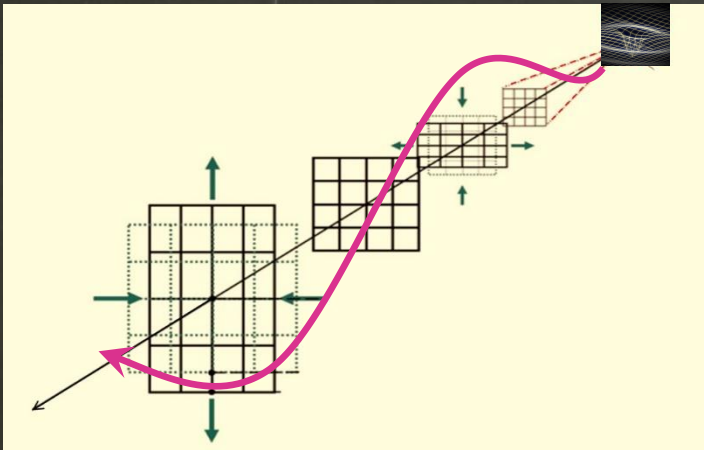
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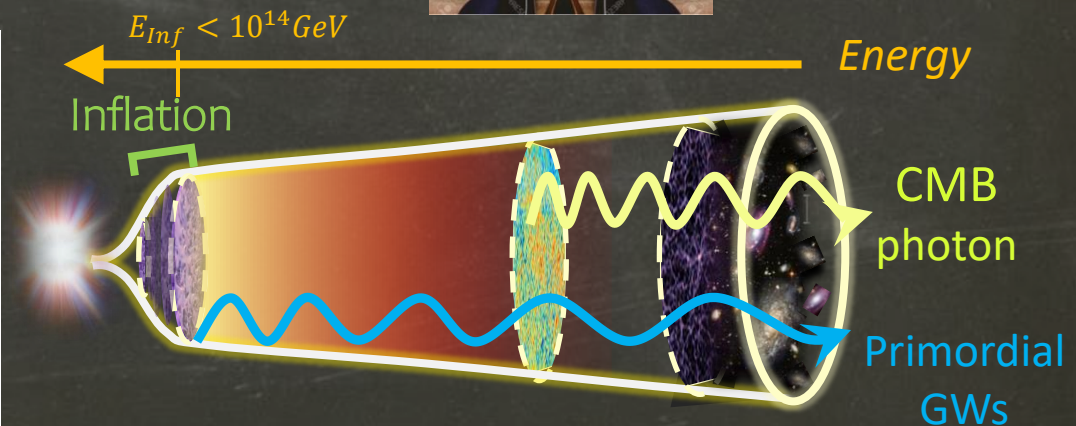
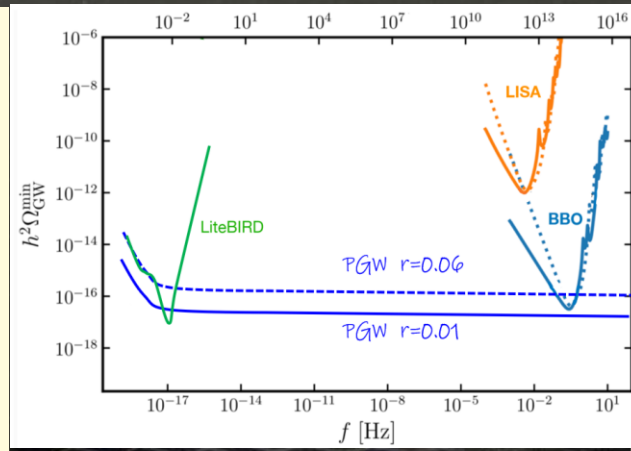
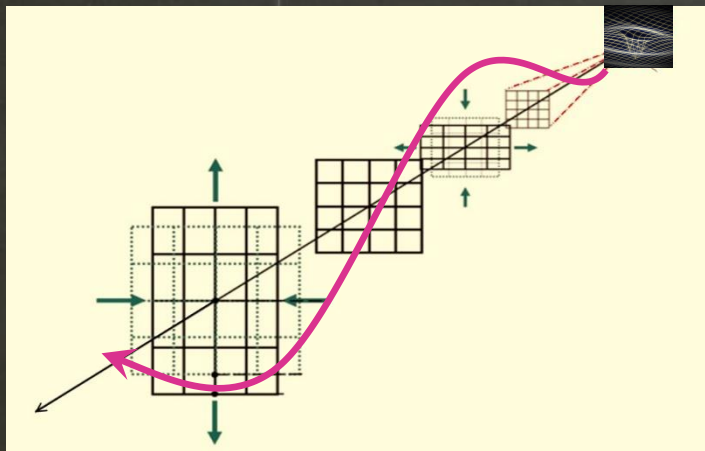
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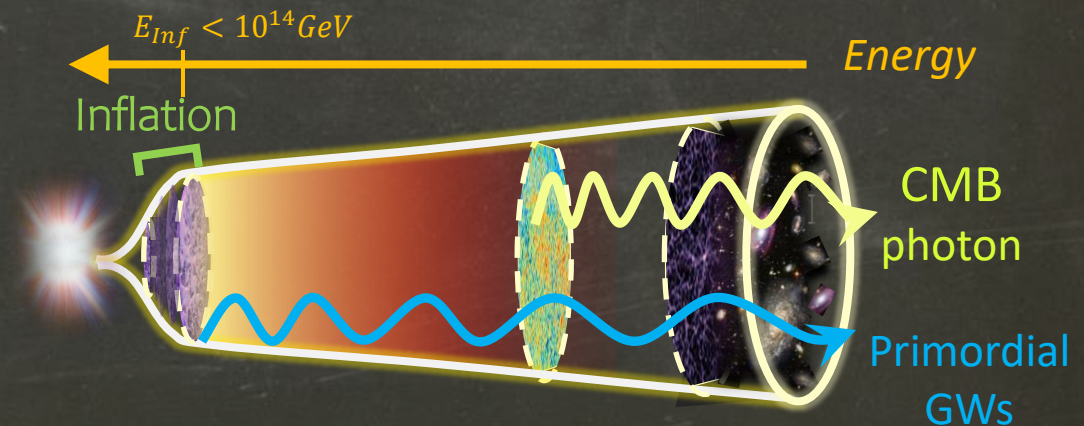


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What about Gauge Fields?!

- Inflation happened at highest energy scales observable!
- They are building blocks of particle physics, SM & beyond.
- What do they do in inflation?!



## II) Axion-inflation & gauge fields (non-Abelian)

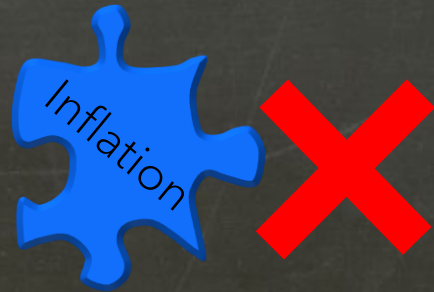
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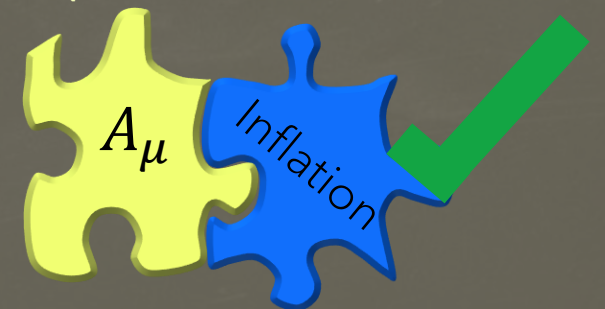
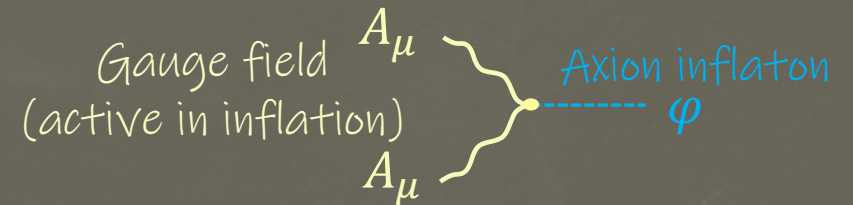
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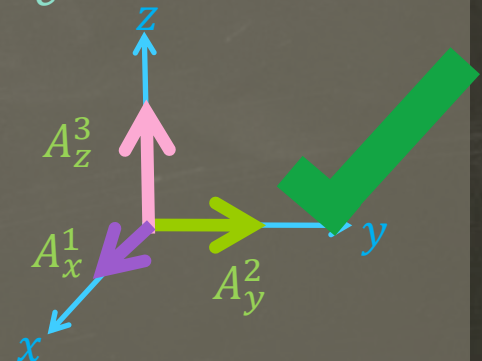
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$$[T_a, T_b] = i \varepsilon^{abc} T_c$$

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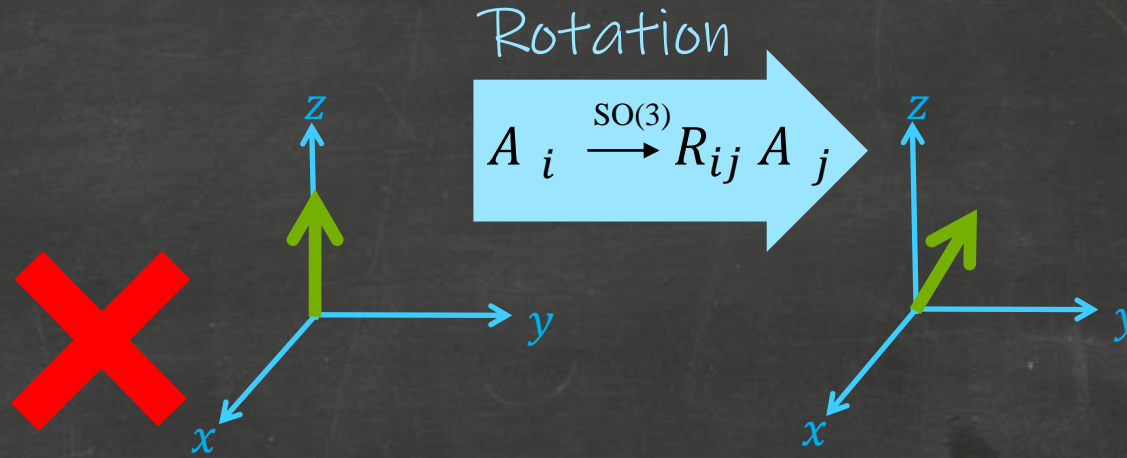
so(3) & su(2) are isomorphic

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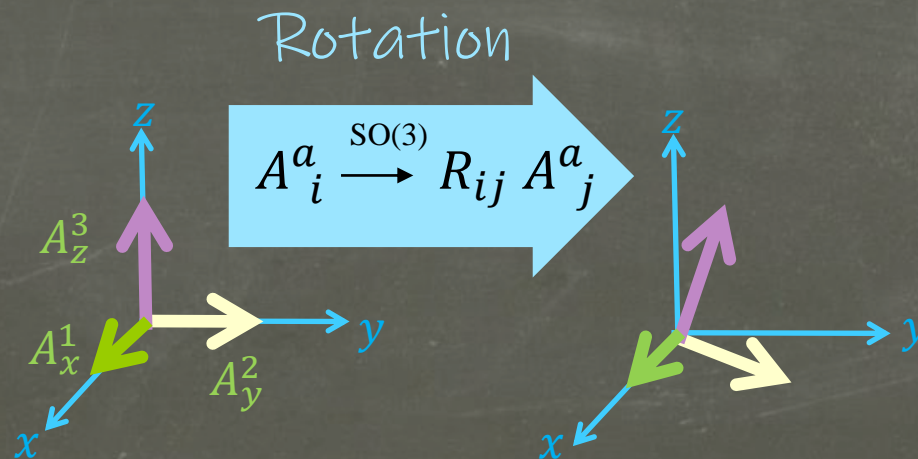
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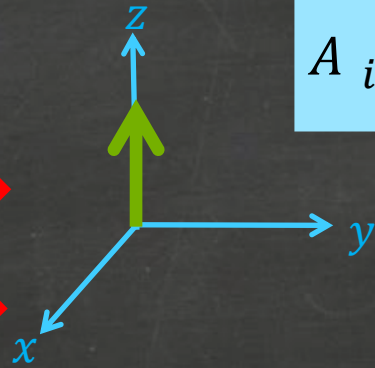


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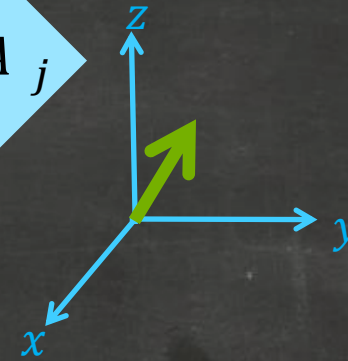
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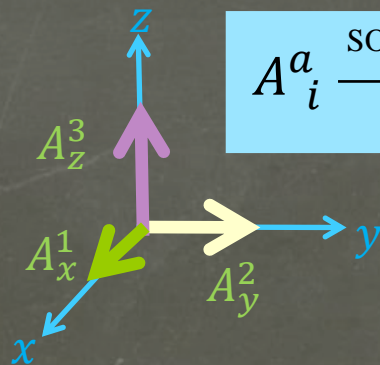
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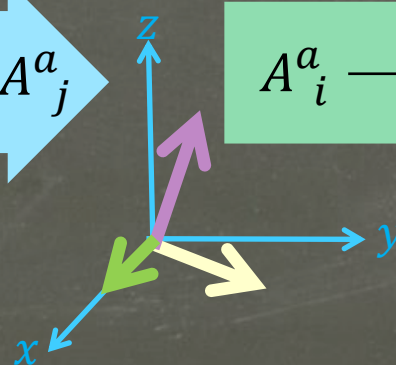
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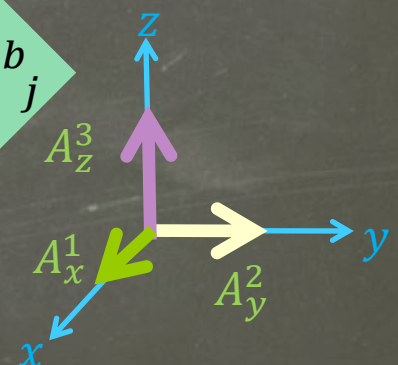
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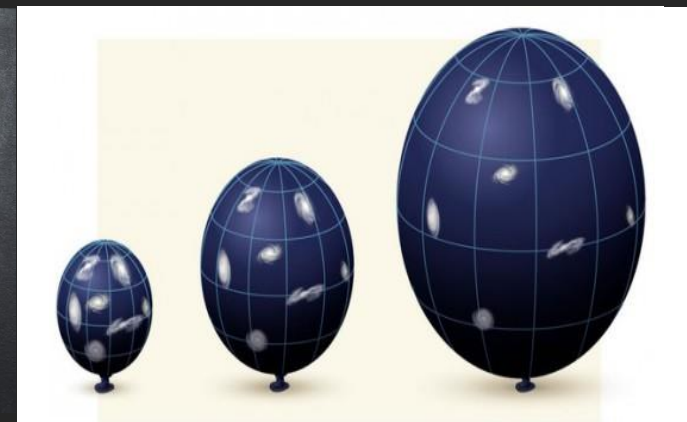


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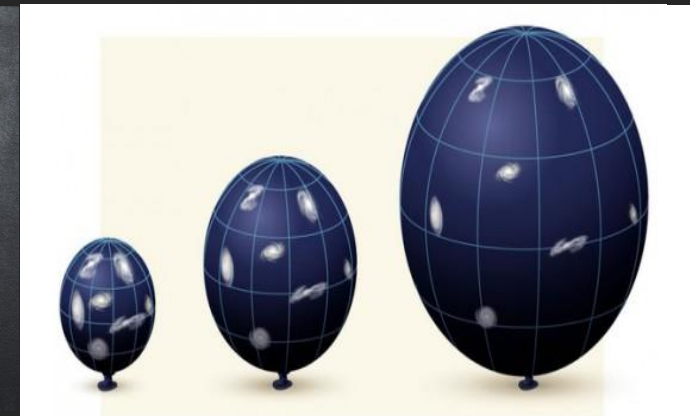


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$$(2 + \lambda^6)\left(\frac{\lambda''}{\lambda} + 3\frac{\lambda'}{\lambda}\right) - 6\frac{\lambda'^2}{\lambda^2} + (\lambda^6 - 1)(2 + \lambda^2\gamma) \simeq 0$$

$\lambda = \pm 1$  Is the attractor solution!

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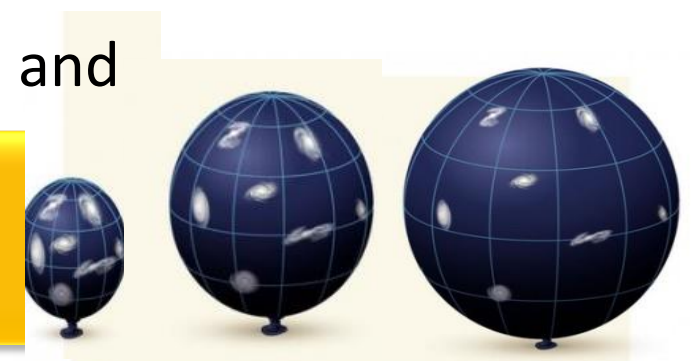
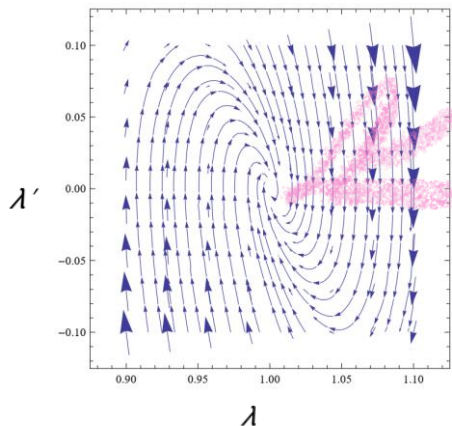
I. Wolfson, A. M., T. Murata, E. Komatsu, T. Kobayashi arXiv:2105.06259

Axion is only coupled to the isotropic part of the gauge field,

Anisotropic part decays like radiation and

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# SU(2)-Axion Model Building

- Gauge-flation A. M., & Sheikh-Jabbari, 2011

$$S_{Gf} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left( -\frac{R}{2} - \frac{1}{4} F^2 + \frac{\kappa}{384} (F\tilde{F})^2 \right)$$

- Chromo-natural P. Adshead, M. Wyman, 2012

$$S_{Cn} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left( -\frac{R}{2} - \frac{1}{4} F^2 - \frac{1}{2} \left( (\partial_\mu \varphi)^2 - \mu^4 \left( 1 + \cos\left(\frac{\varphi}{f}\right) \right) \right) - \frac{\lambda}{8f} \varphi F\tilde{F} \right)$$

- Minimal Scenario of **SU(2)-axion inflation** A. M., 2016  $f < 0.1 M_{\text{pl}}$  &  $\lambda < 0.1$

$$S_{AM} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left( -\frac{R}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \left( (\partial_\mu \varphi)^2 - V(\varphi) \right) - \frac{1}{4} F^2 - \frac{\lambda}{8f} \varphi F\tilde{F} \right)$$

Axion Monodromy or any mechanism that gives a flat potential



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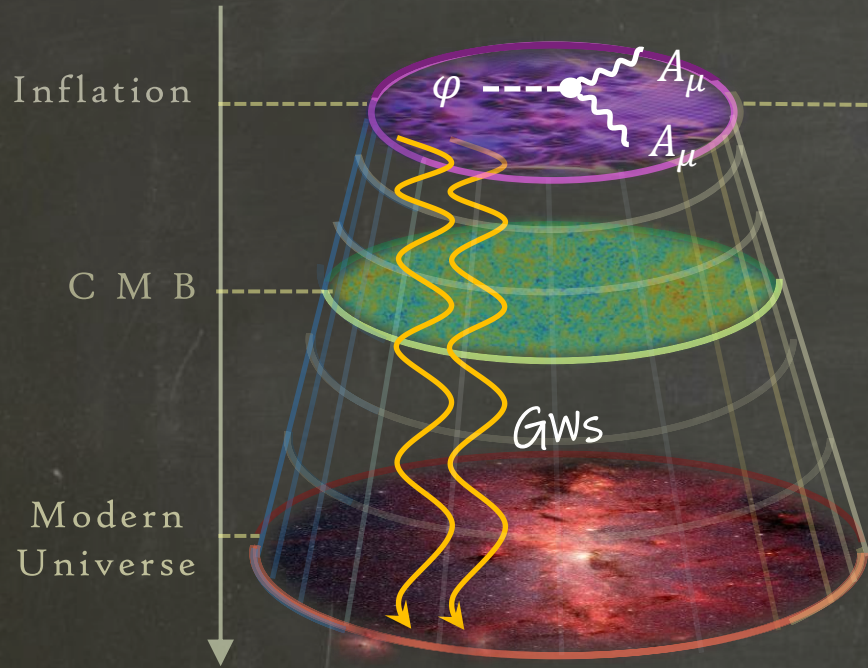
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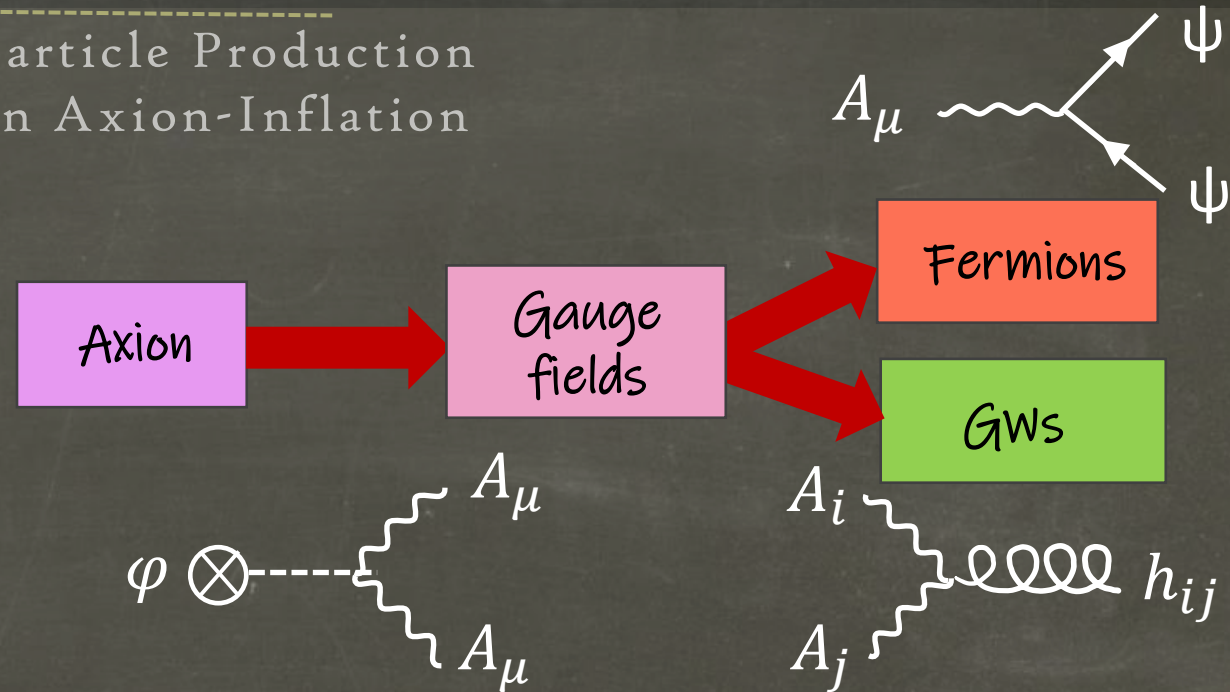
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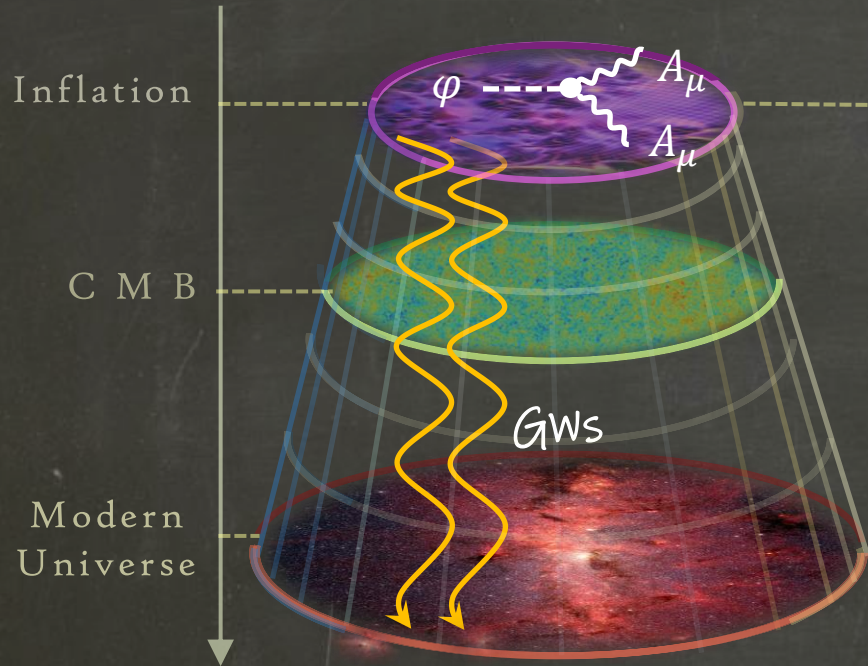
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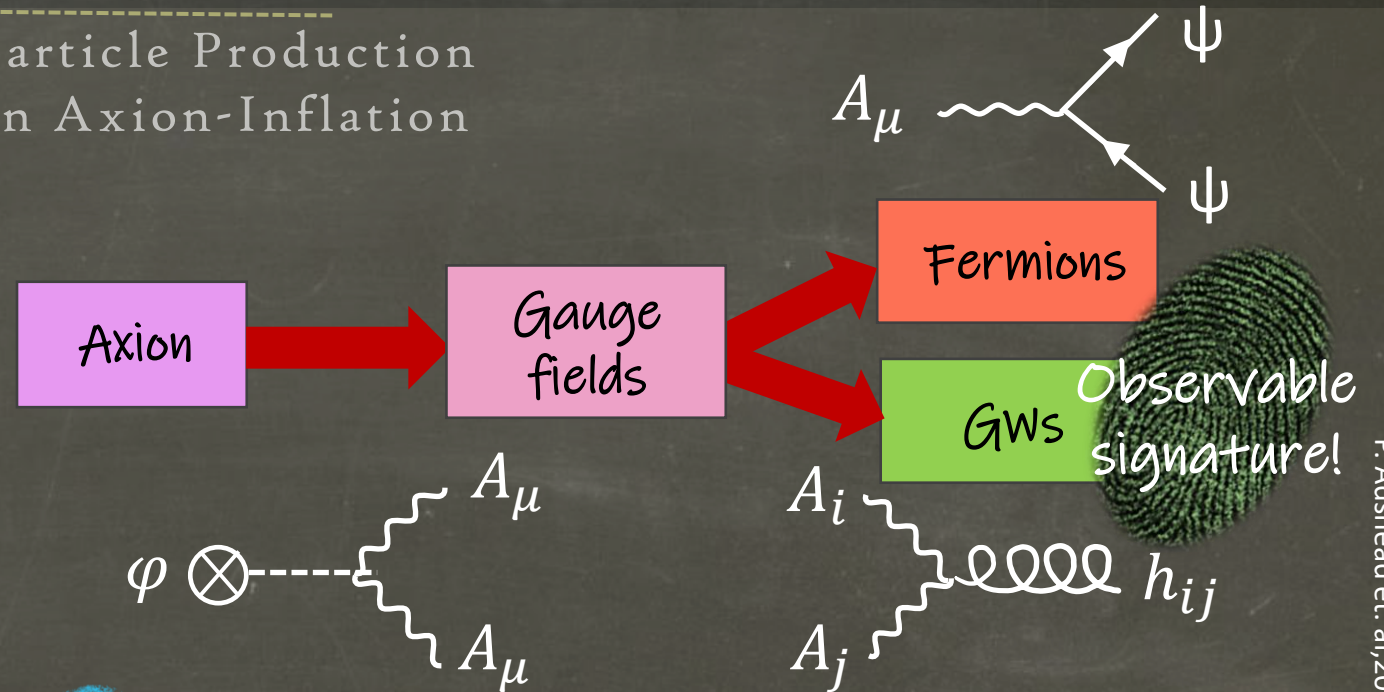
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Vacuum GWS:  
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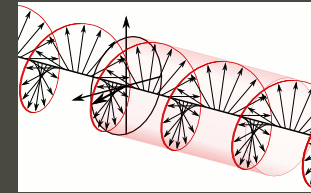
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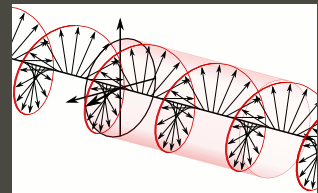
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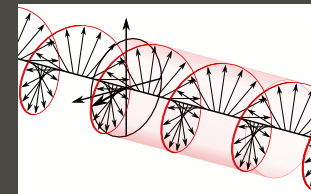
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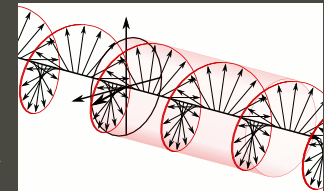
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A. M. and E. Komatsu, 2018

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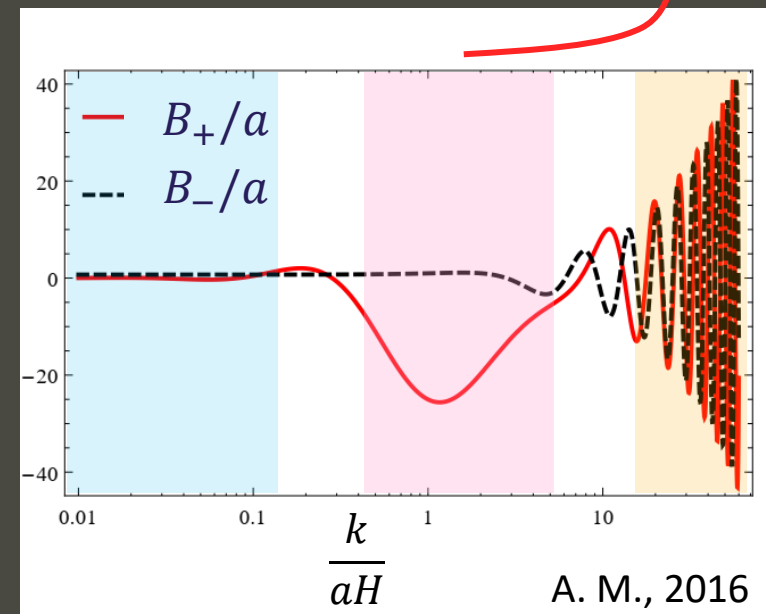
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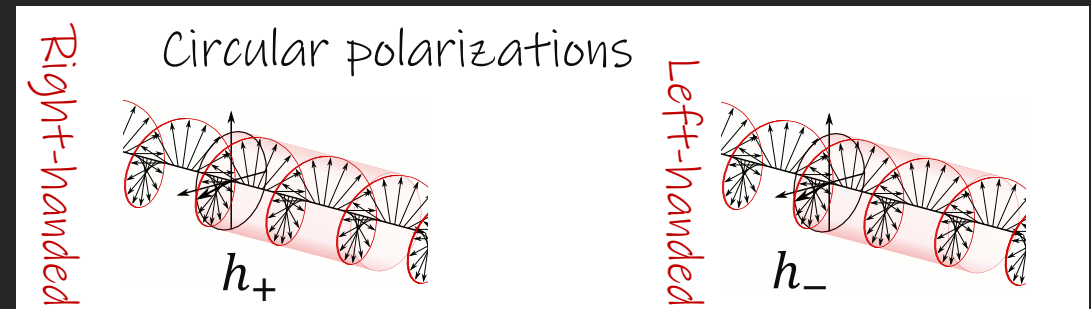
# Gauge Field sources Primordial GWs

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- That sourced the GWs

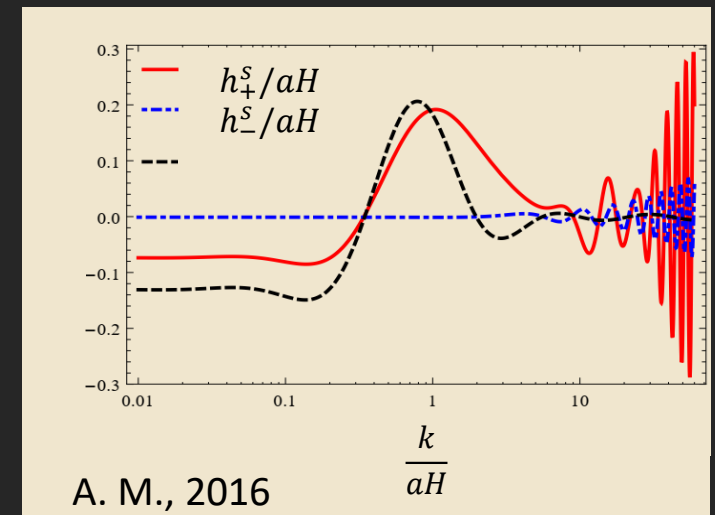
$$h_{\pm}'' + [k^2 - \frac{a''}{a}] h_{\pm} = \mathcal{H}^2 \Pi_{\pm}[B_{\pm}]$$



- Gravitational waves have two uncorrelated terms



$$h_{\pm} = \underbrace{h_{\pm}^{vac}}_{\substack{\text{Vacuum} \\ \text{GWs} \\ \text{unpolarized} \\ h_+^{vac} = h_-^{vac}}} + \underbrace{h_{\pm}^s}_{\substack{\text{Sourced by} \\ B_{\pm} \\ \text{Polarized} \\ h_+^s \neq h_-^s}}$$





# Novel Observable Signature: CMB

- The sourced tensor modes is Highly non-Gaussian.

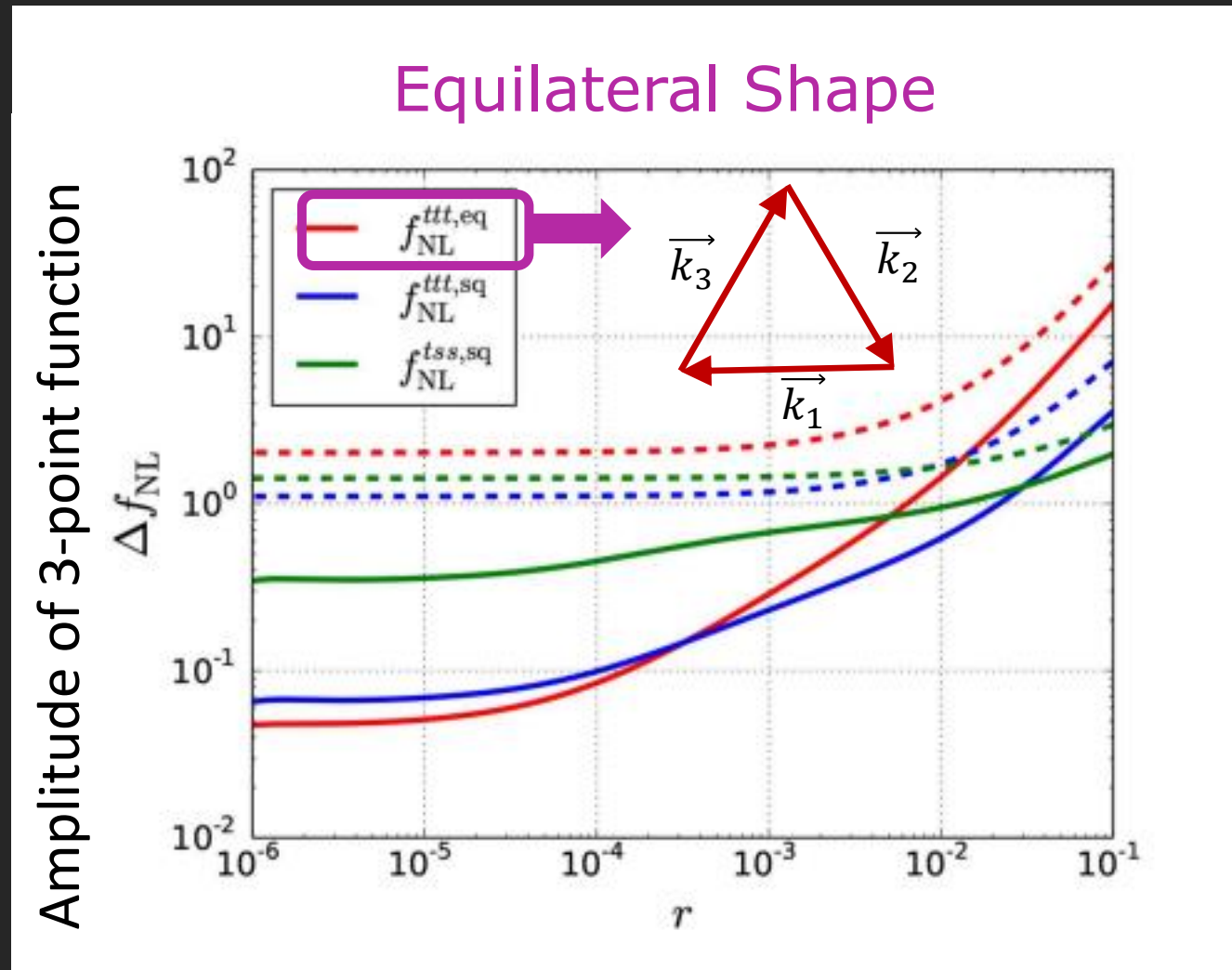
$$F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu - \underbrace{ig [A_\mu, A_\nu]}_{\text{Self-interaction}}$$

Agrawal, Fujita, Komatsu 2018

- That can be probe with future CMB missions., e.g. *Litebird*

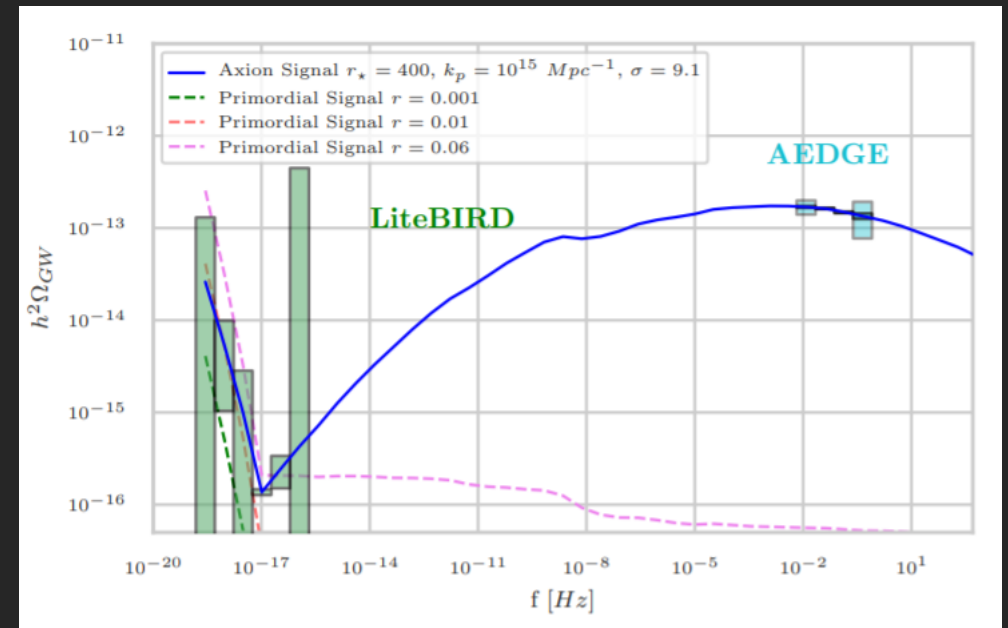
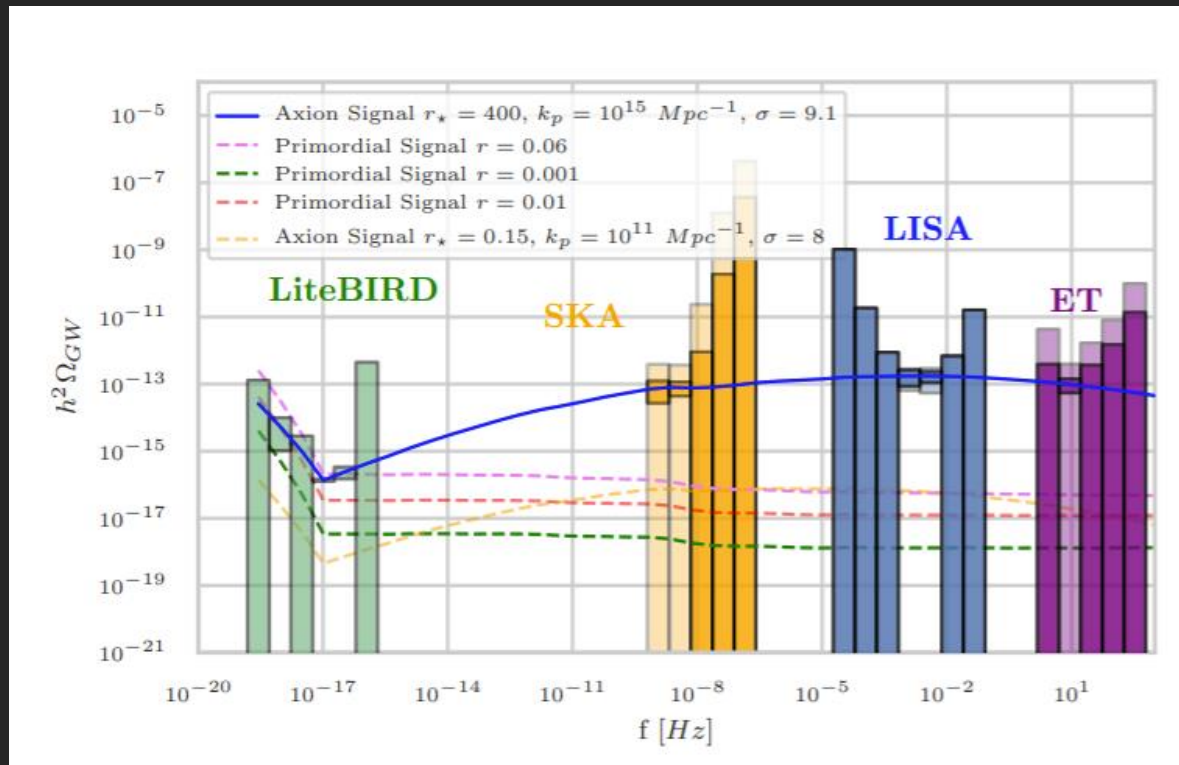


and *CMB-S4*!



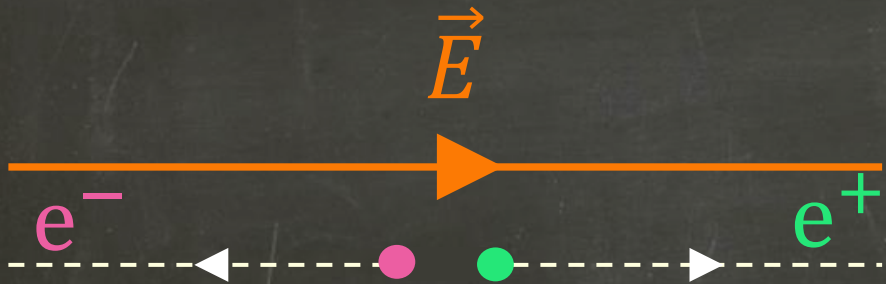
# Novel Observable Signature: Beyond CMB

Detection of this background is an excellent target for all GW experiments across at least 21 decades in frequencies.



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Electric Field Schwinger effect



Schwinger effect in scalar QED in 4d de Sitter

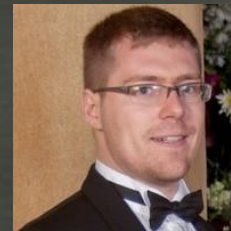
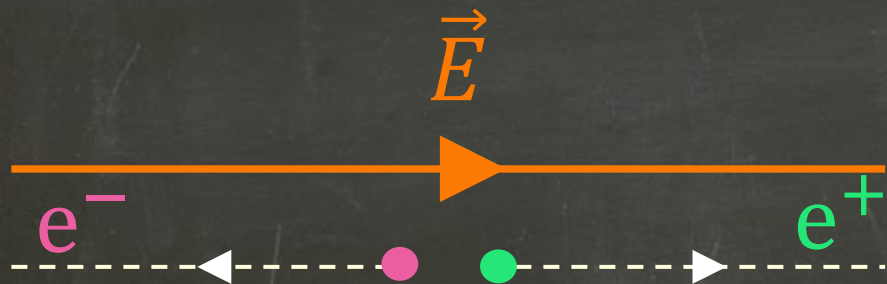
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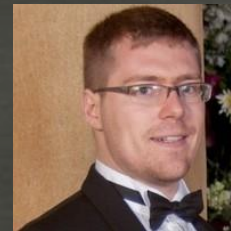
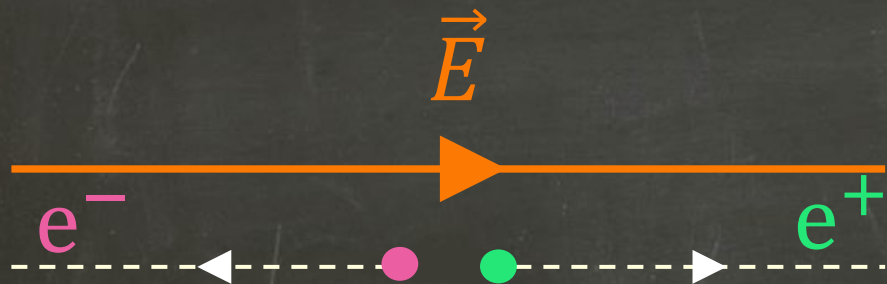
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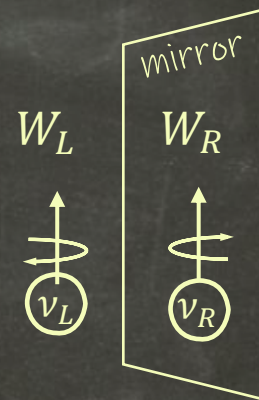
# III) Embedding axion-inflation in Left-Right Symmetric Models

(How to Connect Inflaton to SM?)

Axion-Inflation



Left-Right Symmetric  
Model (LRSM)



# How to Connect it to the SM?

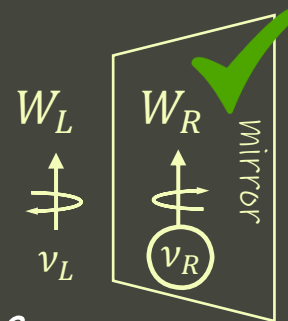
Let us Extend SM Gauge Symmetry by an  $SU(2)_R$  and couple it to Axion Inflaton!

- Left-Right Symmetric Model + axion!

$$SU(2)_R \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_{B-L} \longrightarrow SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$$

Left-Right Symmetric

SM Left-handed Weak force



- Minimal Scenario of **SU(2)-axion inflation** A. M., 2016  $f < 0.1 M_{pl}$  &  $\lambda < 0.1$

$$S_{AM} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left( -\frac{R}{2} - \frac{1}{4} F^2 - \frac{1}{2} ((\partial_\mu \varphi)^2 - V(\varphi)) - \frac{\lambda}{8f} \varphi F \tilde{F} \right)$$

Axion Monodromy or any mechanism that gives a flat potential

Gauge field is  $SU(2)_R$

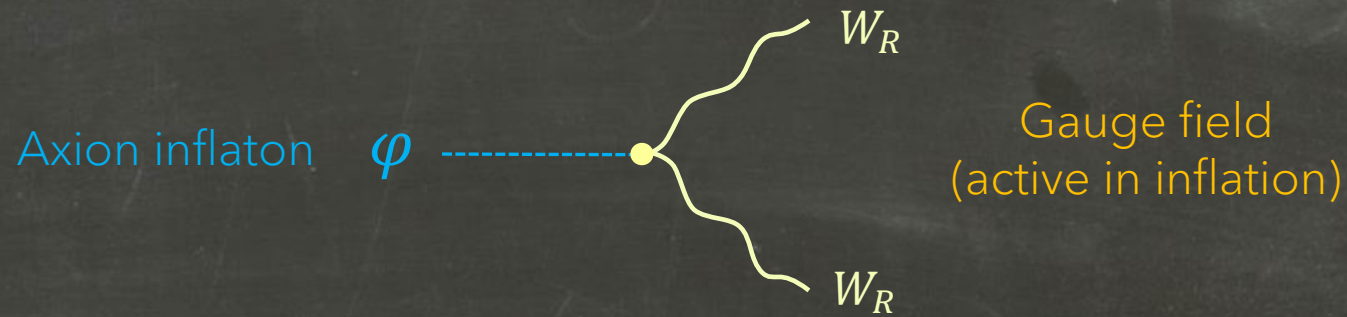
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# Gauge field Production in Inflation

Let us set the VEV of the Gauge field to zero  $\langle W_R \rangle = 0$

- o SM Gauge fields are diluted by inflation & unimportant, BUT  $SU(2)_R$ :



$W_R$  Gauge Field Perturbation

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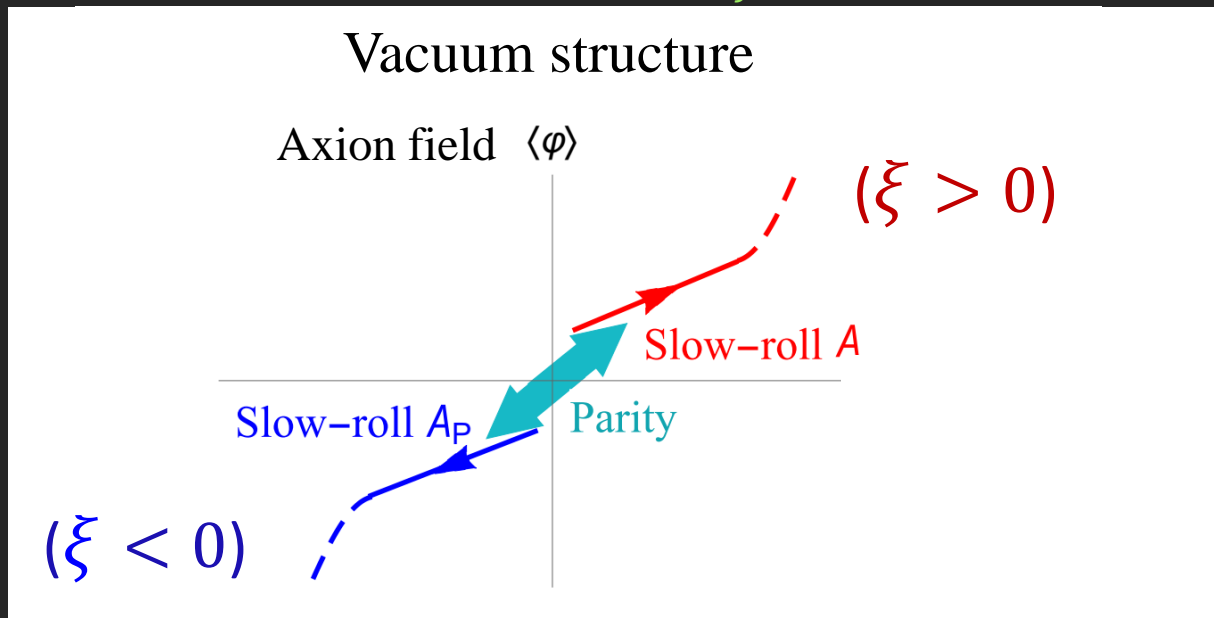
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Given by the BG ( $\xi = \frac{2\lambda\partial_t\phi}{fH}$ )



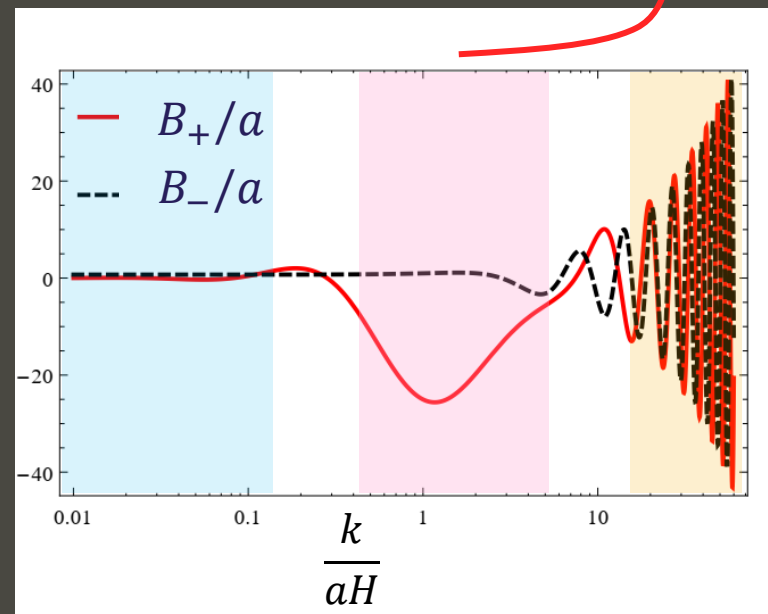
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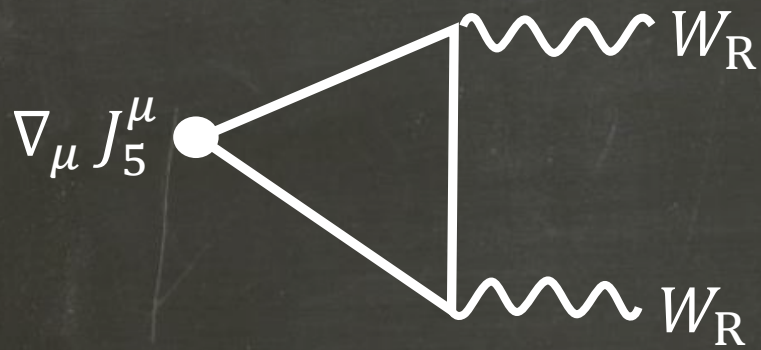


# Lepton & quark Production in Inflation

- Left-handed fermions are diluted by inflation, BUT
- Right-handed fermions are generated by  $SU(2)_R$  gauge field:



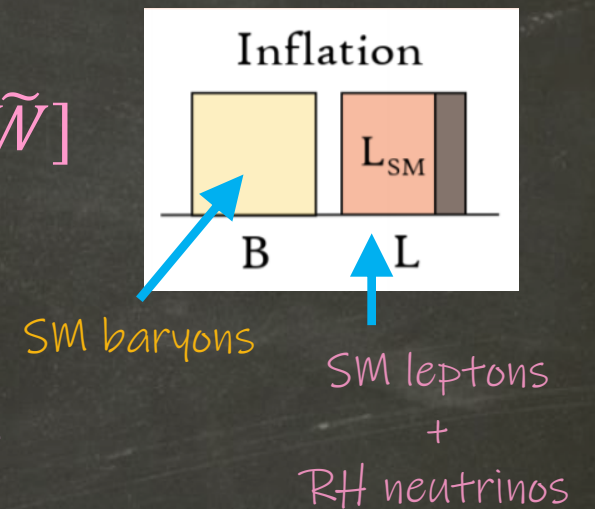
The key ingredient is the Chiral anomaly of  $SU(2)_R$  in inflation:



$$\nabla_\mu J_B^\mu = \nabla_\mu J_L^\mu = \frac{g^2}{16\pi^2} \text{tr}[W\tilde{W}]$$

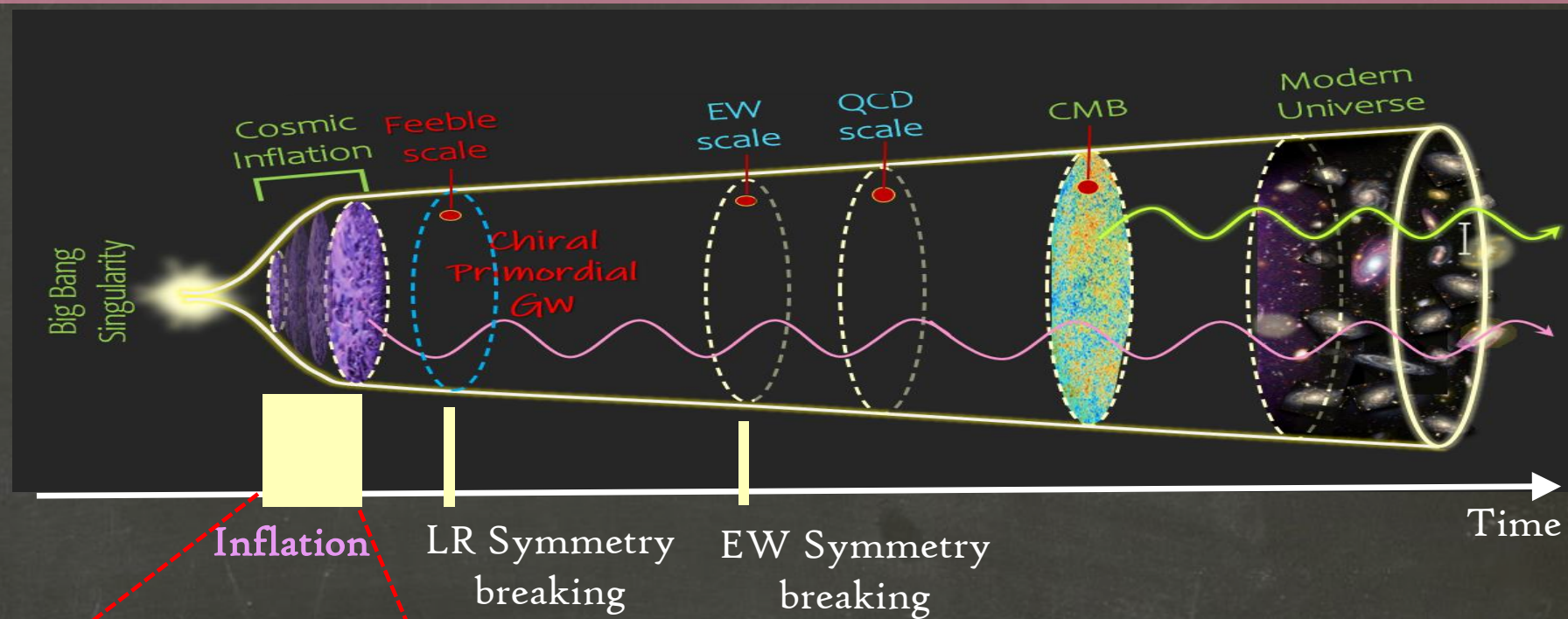
$$n_B = n_L = \alpha_{inf}(\xi) H^3$$

$$\alpha_{inf}(\xi) \sim \frac{g^2}{(2\pi)^4} e^{2\pi\xi}$$

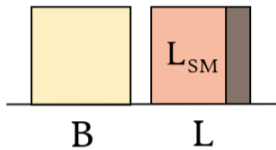
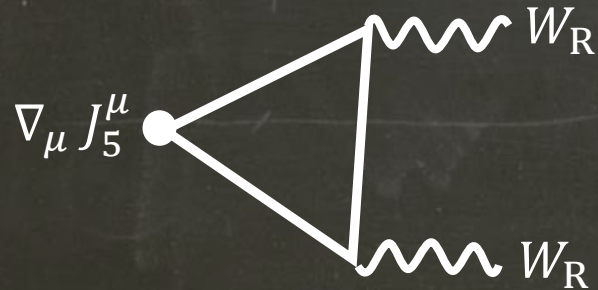


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Chiral anomaly of  $SU(2)_R$   
In inflation



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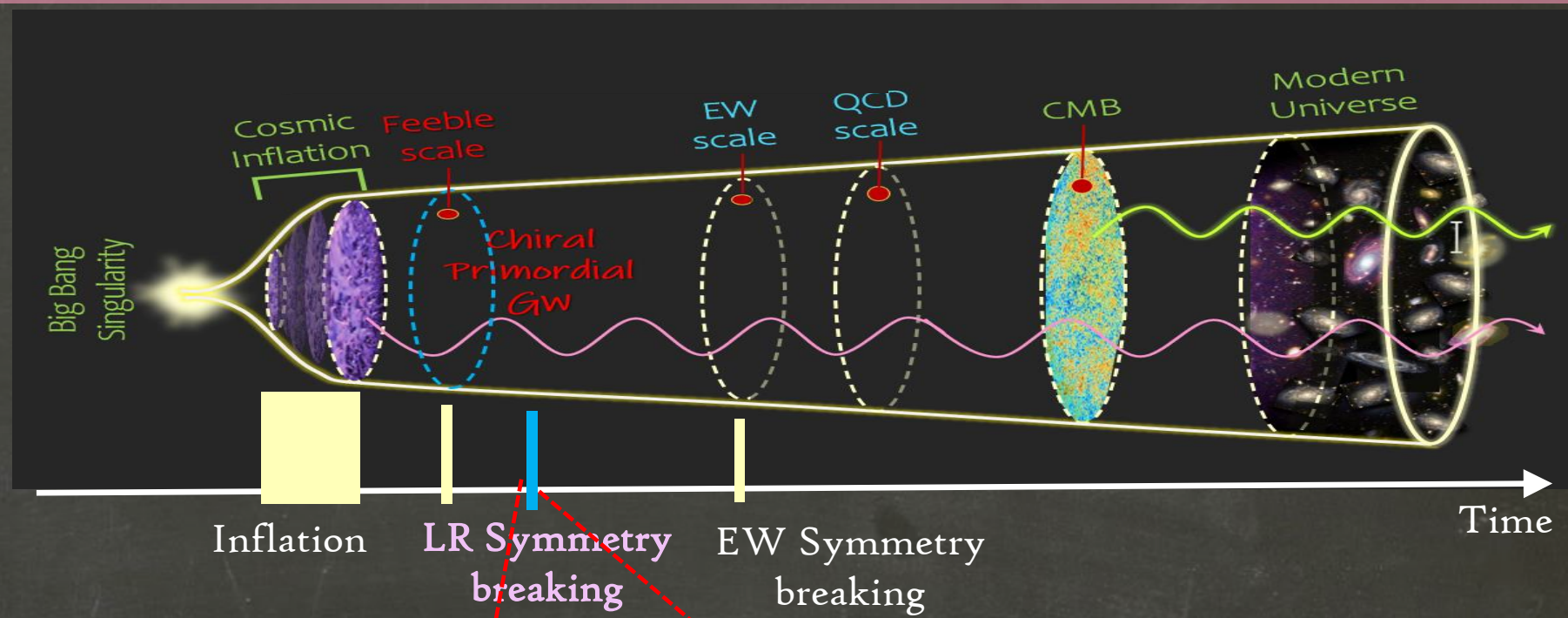
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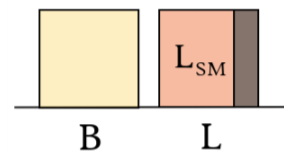
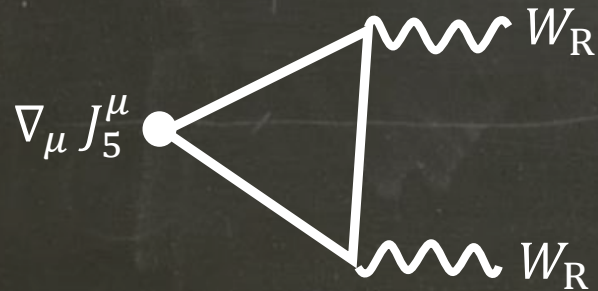
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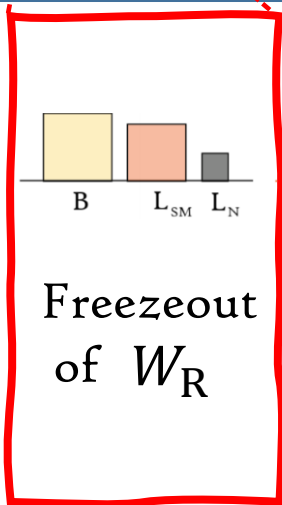
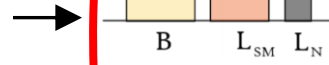


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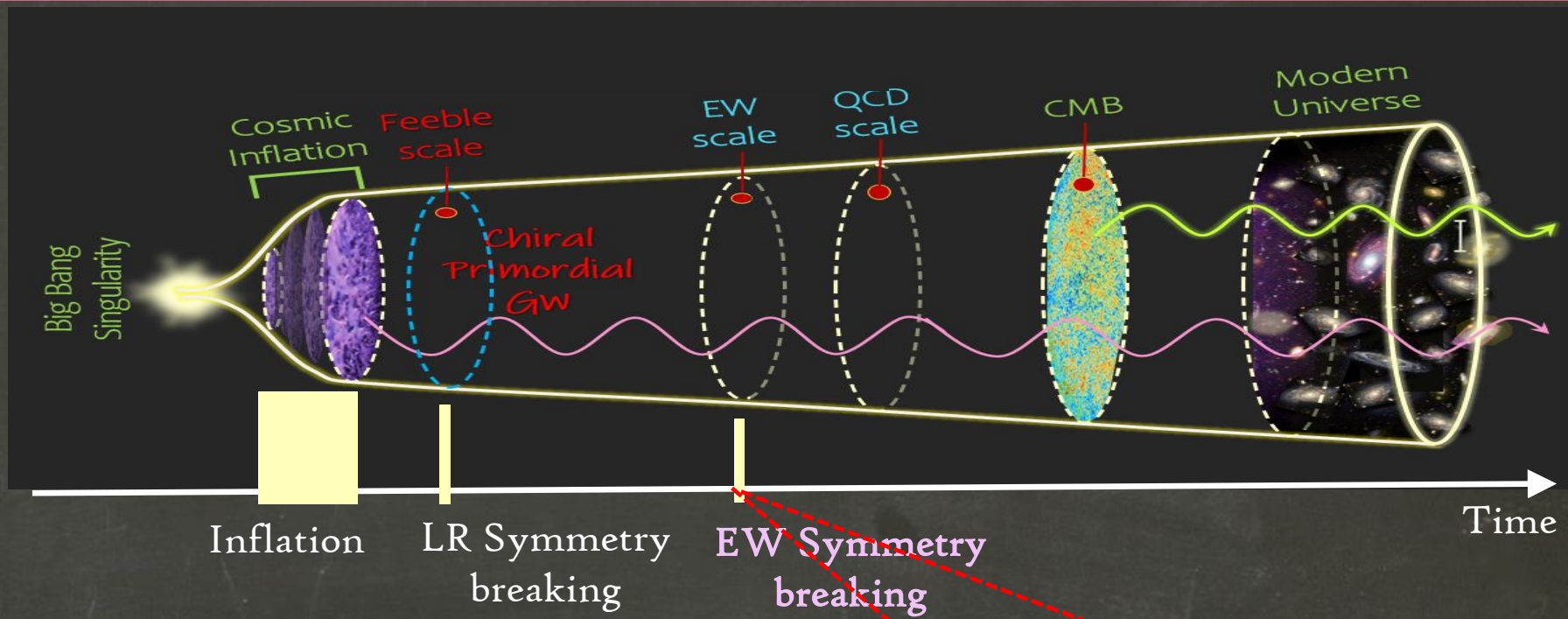
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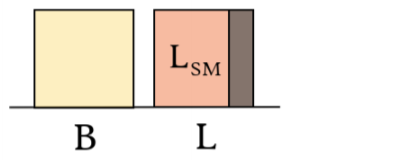
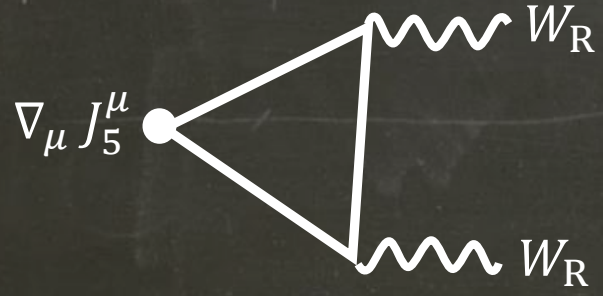
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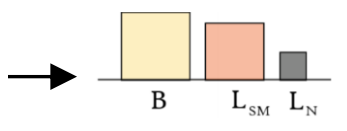


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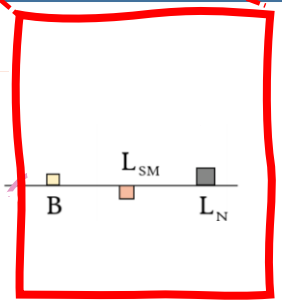


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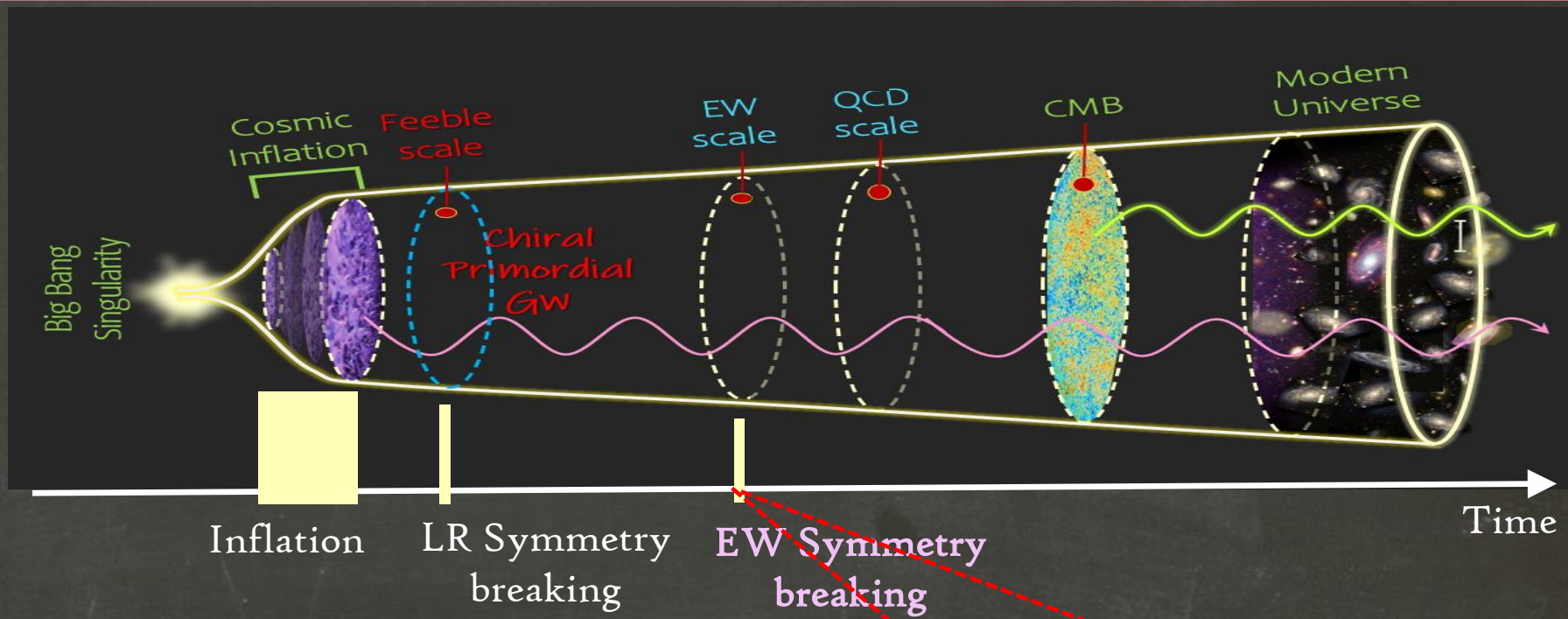
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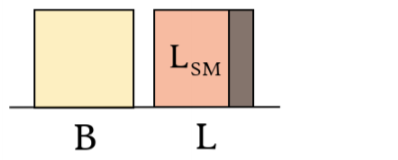
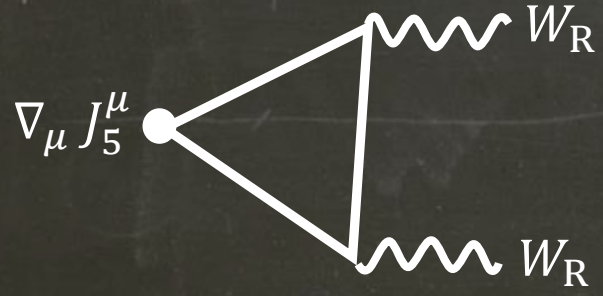
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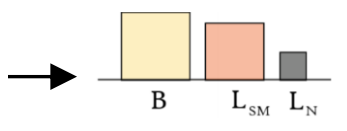


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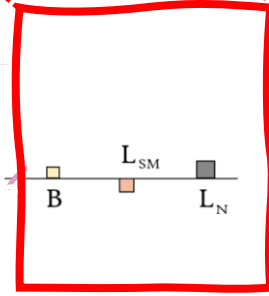


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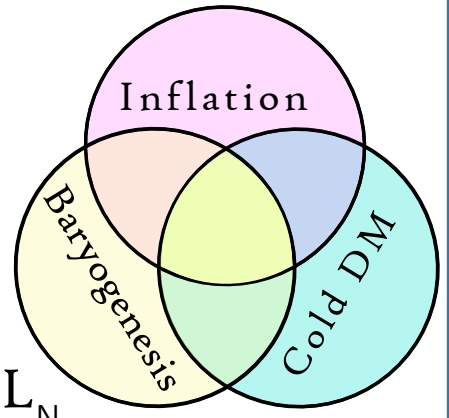
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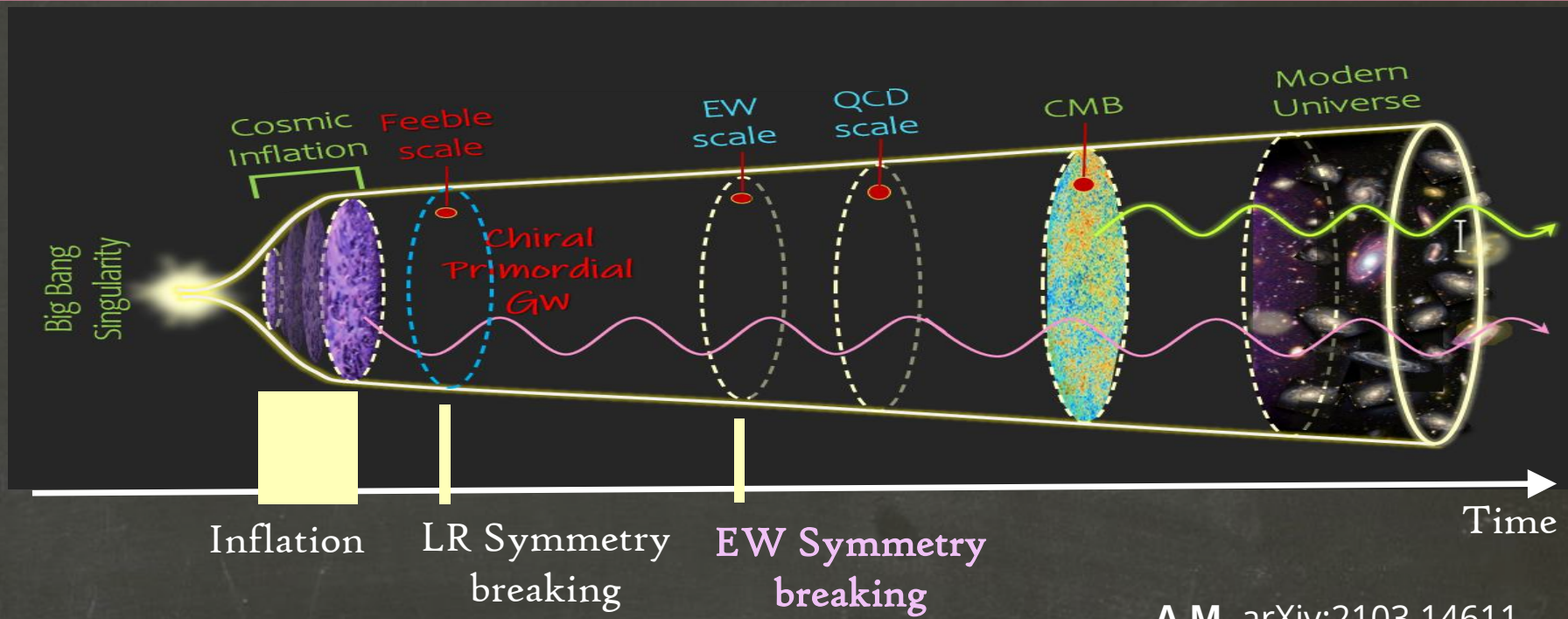


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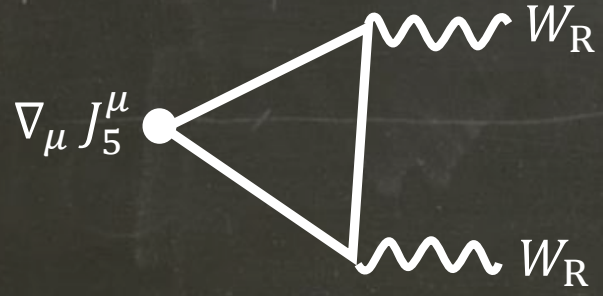


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Baryogenesis

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DM

$$\Omega_{N_1} \approx 2.8 \frac{m_{N_1}}{m_p} \Omega_B$$

$$m_{N_1} \simeq 1.8 m_p = 1.7 \text{ GeV.}$$

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# Summary & Conclusions



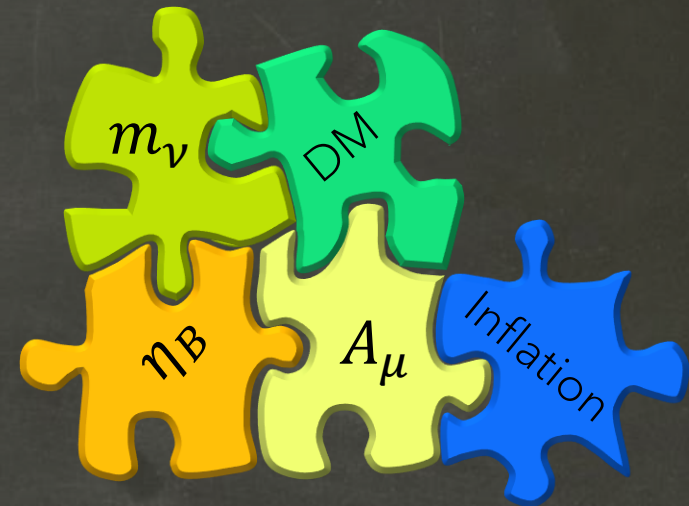


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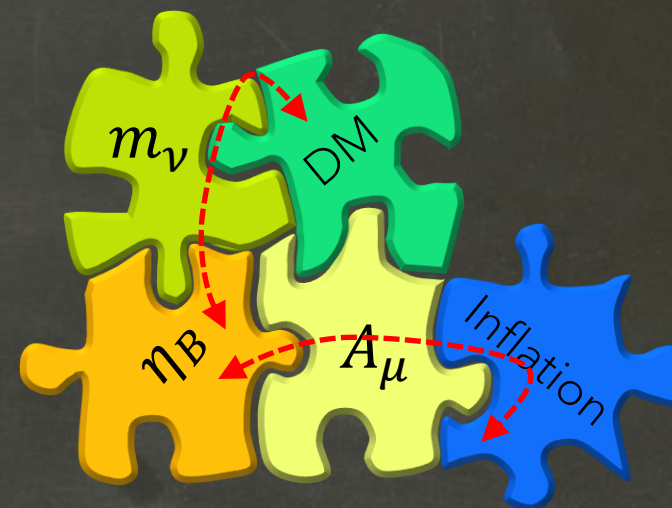


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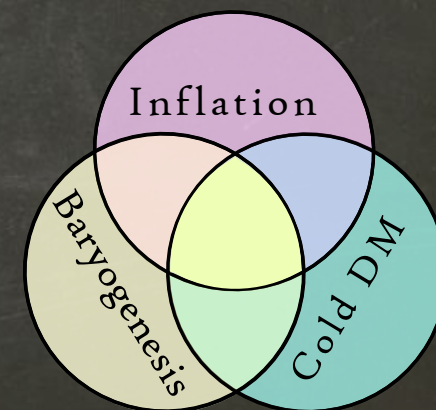
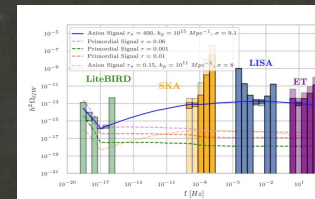
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It provides a deep connection between **inflation**, **baryogenesis** & **DM**

It comes with a cosmological smoking gun on **Primordial GWs**.



# Open Questions & Future Directions



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- Strong Backreaction Regime
- Primordial Magnetic Fields
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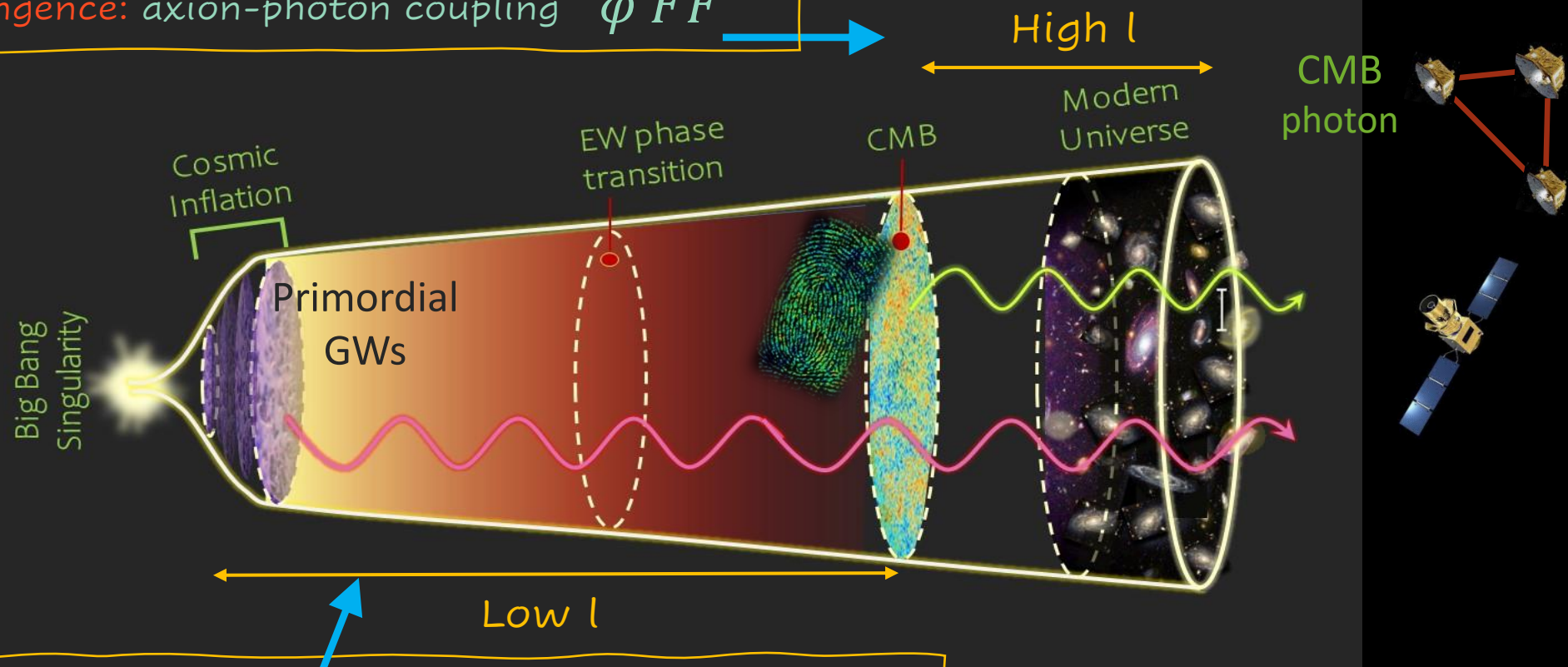
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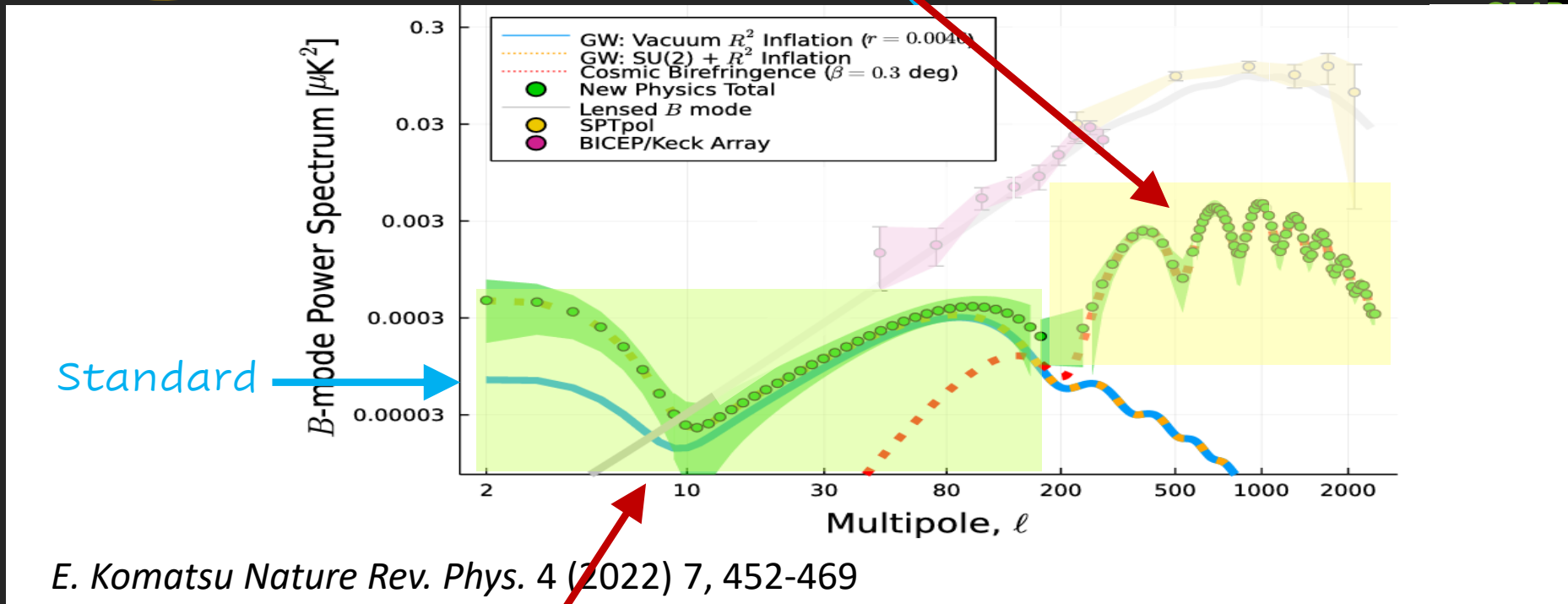
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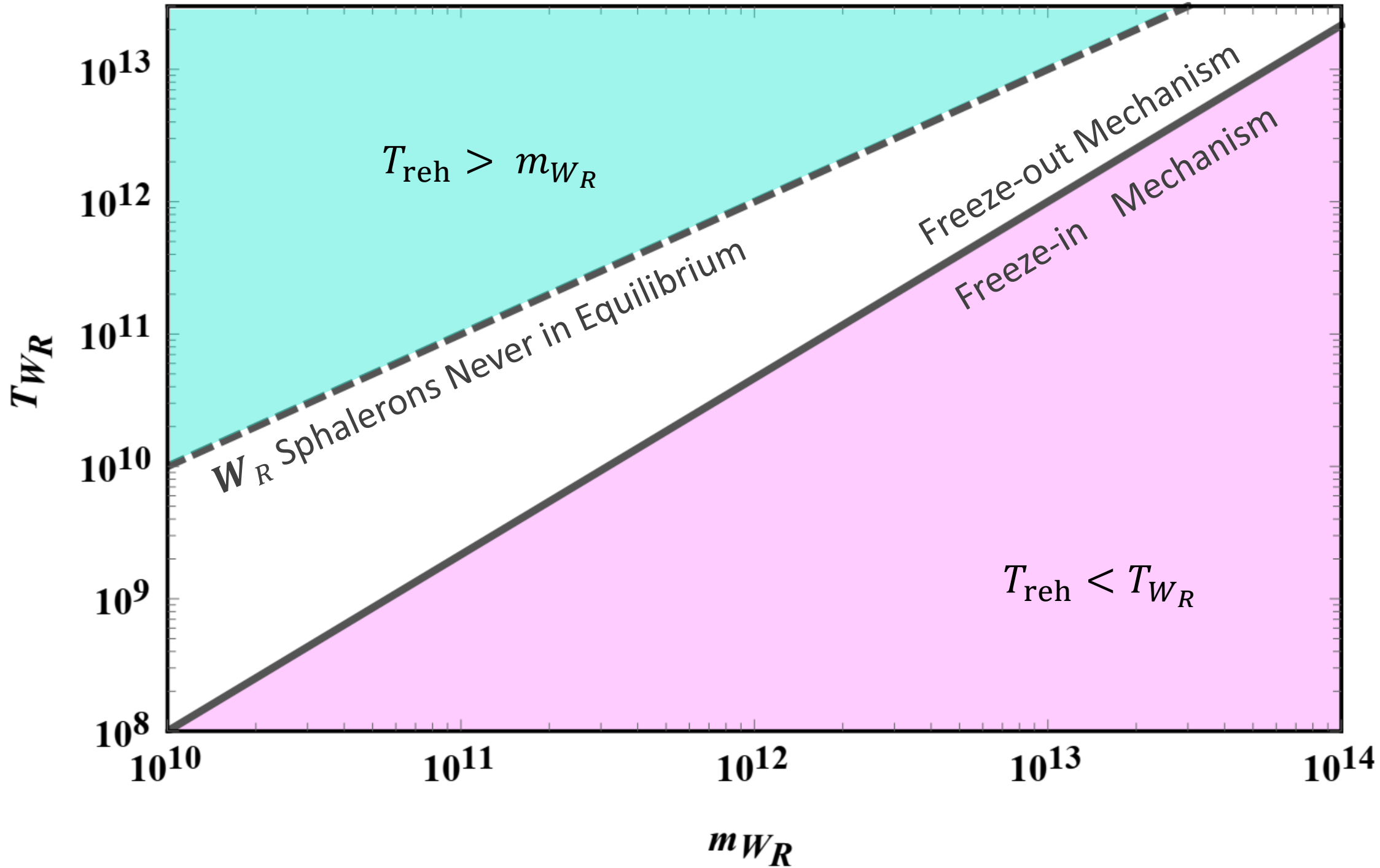
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