# Exploring the Cosmic History with Gravitational Waves

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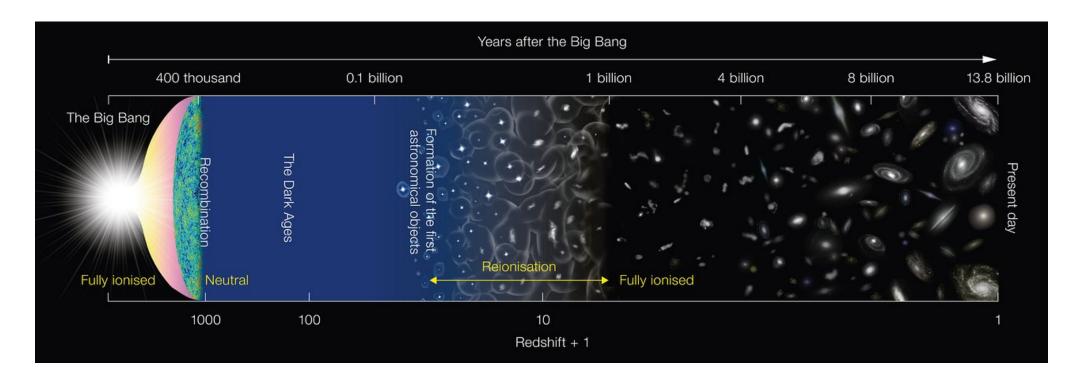
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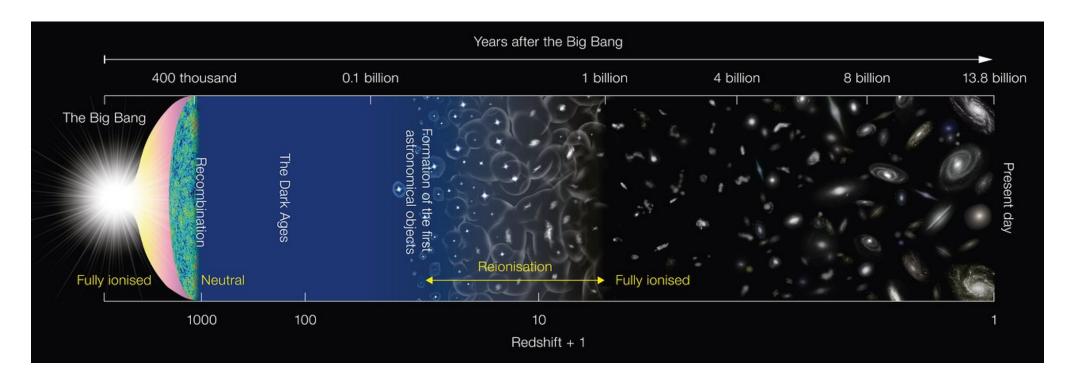
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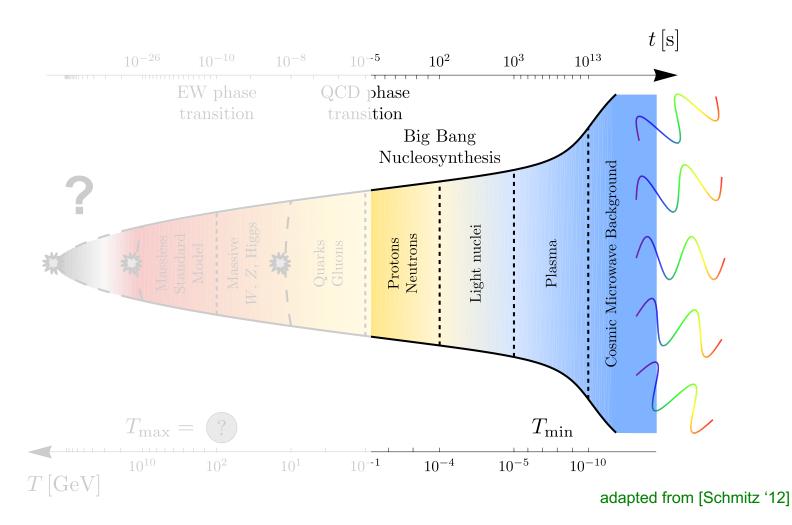
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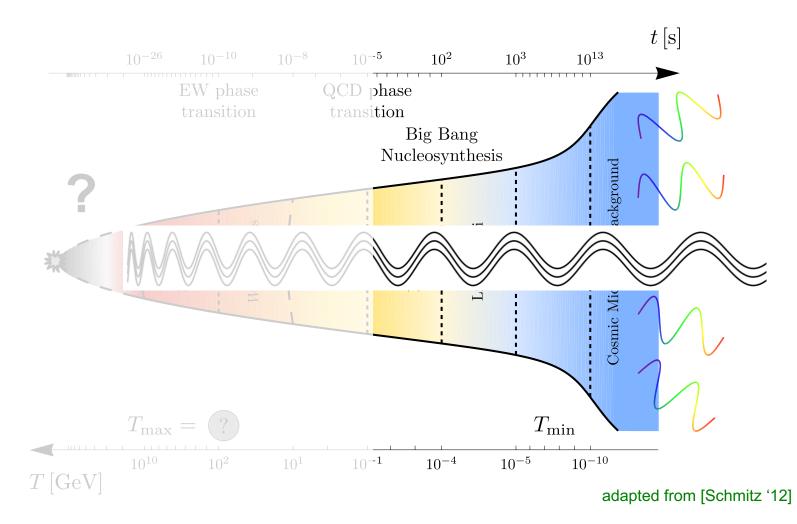
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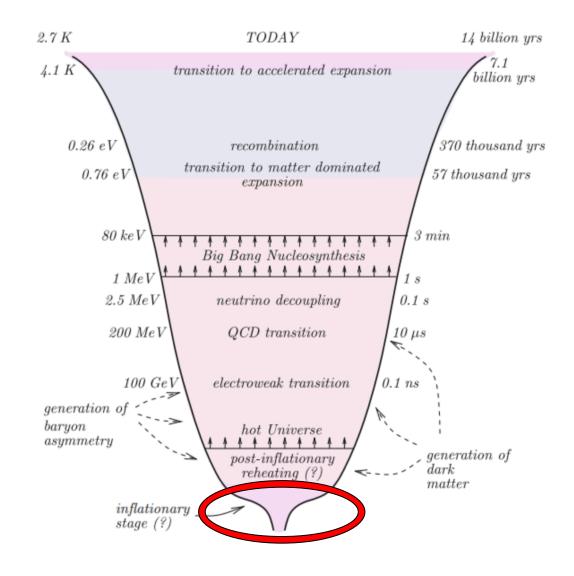


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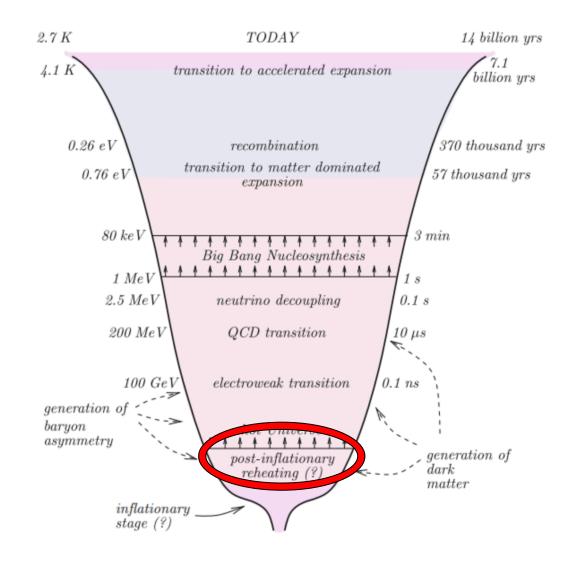


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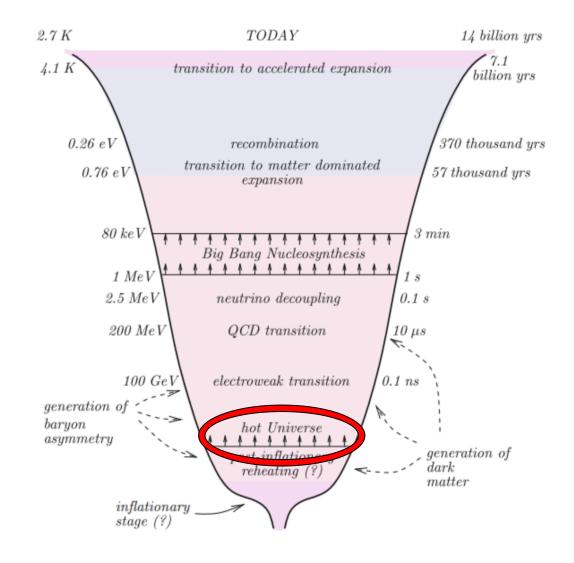
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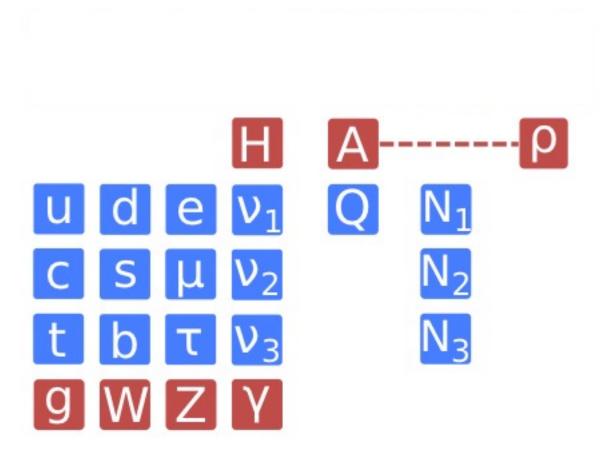
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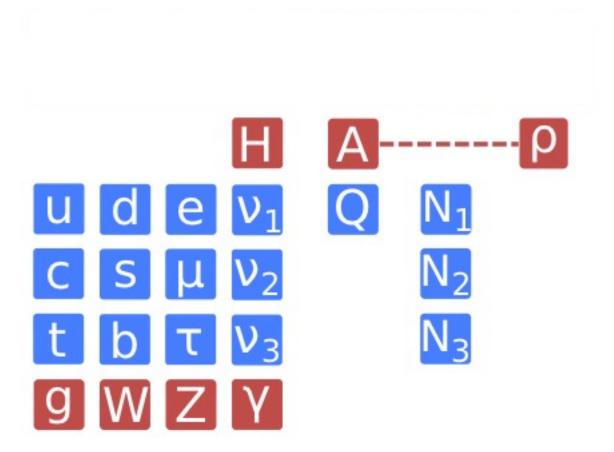
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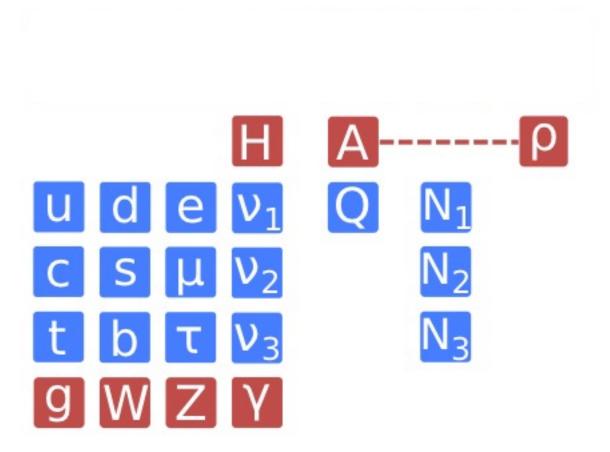
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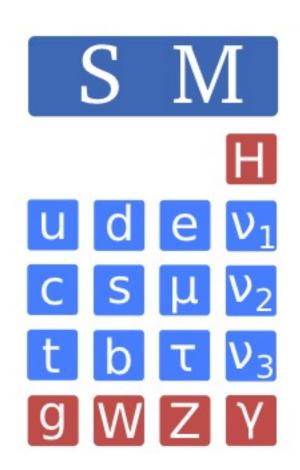
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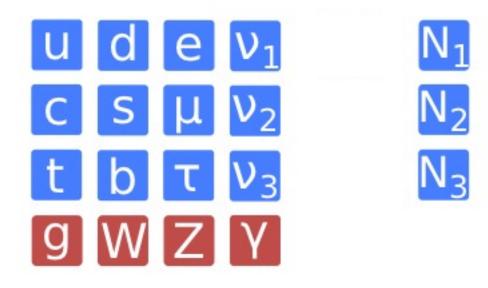


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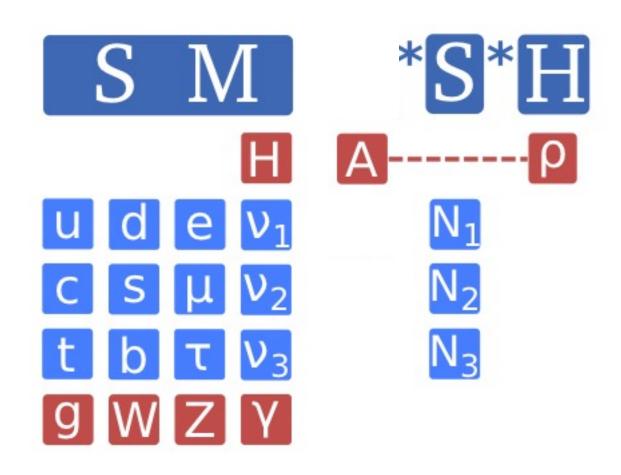




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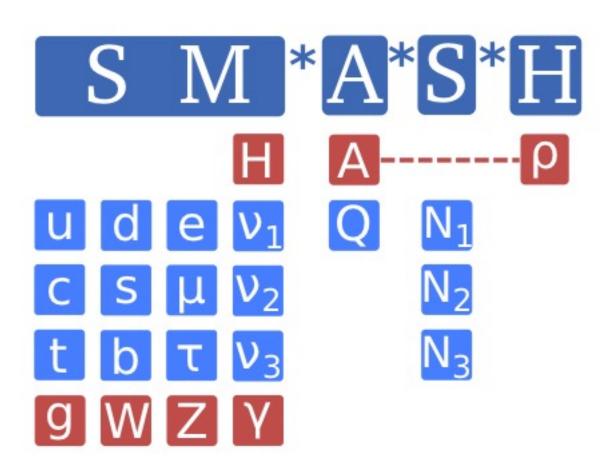
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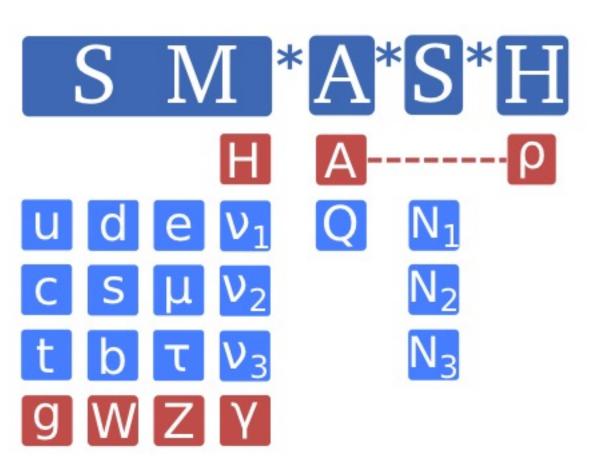


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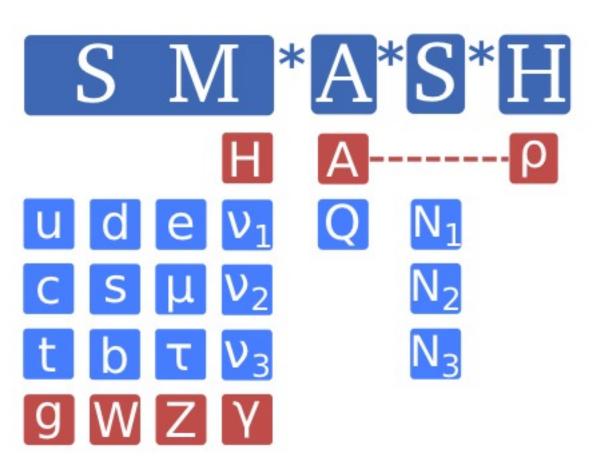
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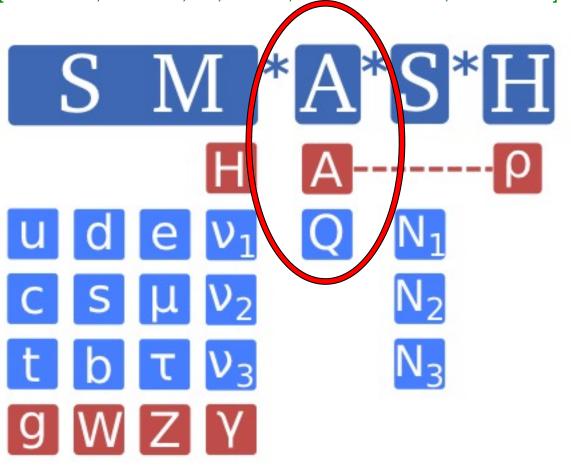
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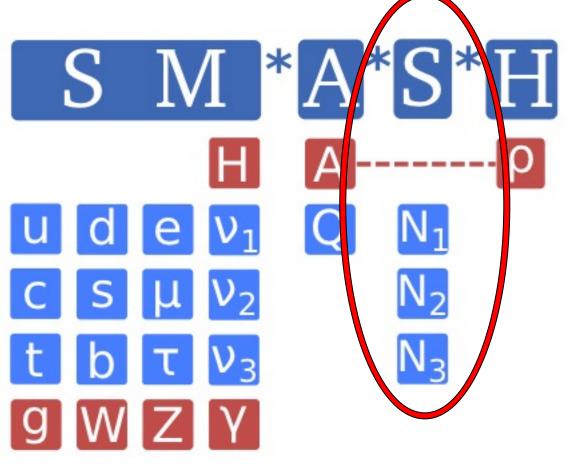
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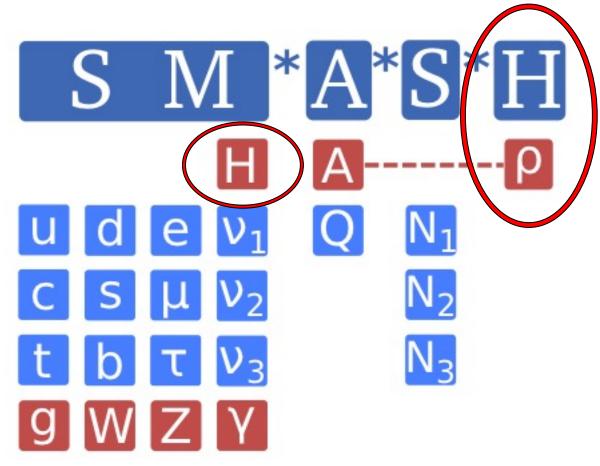
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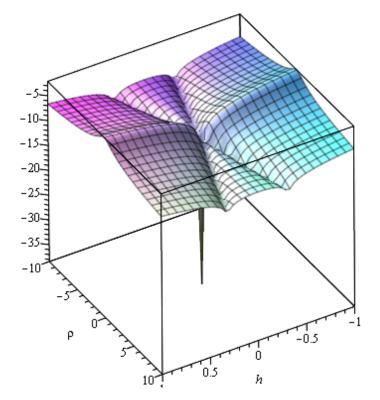
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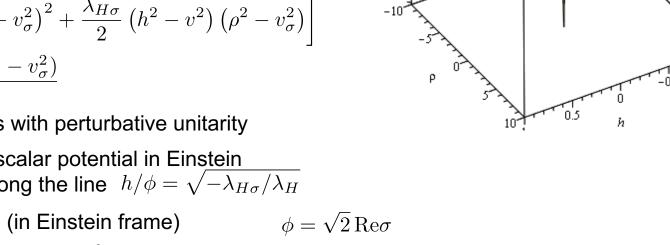
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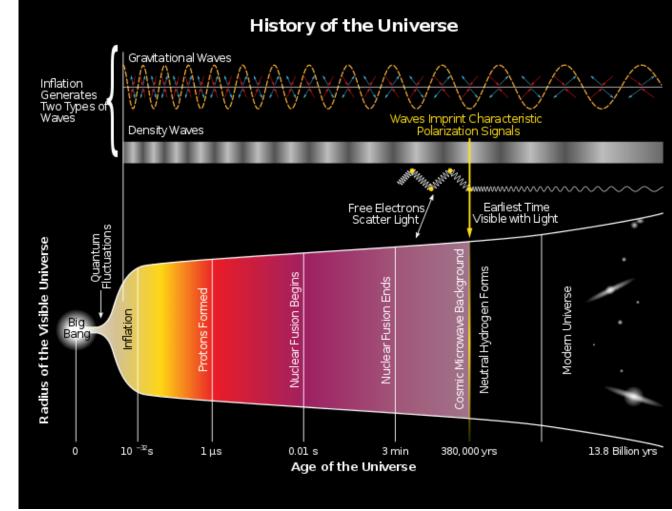
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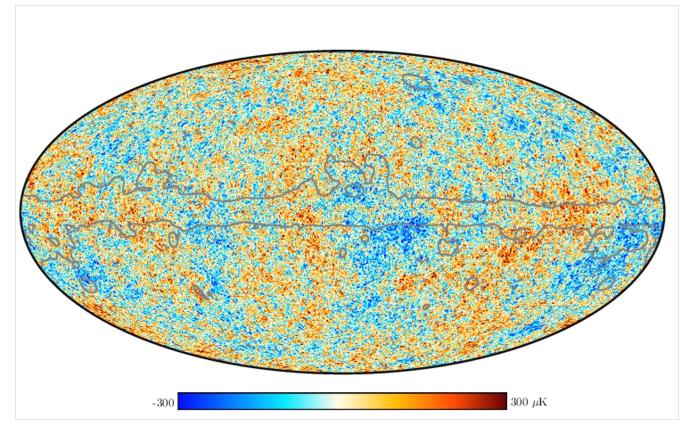
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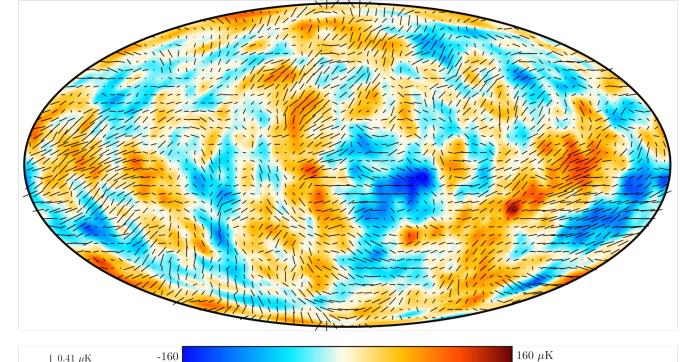
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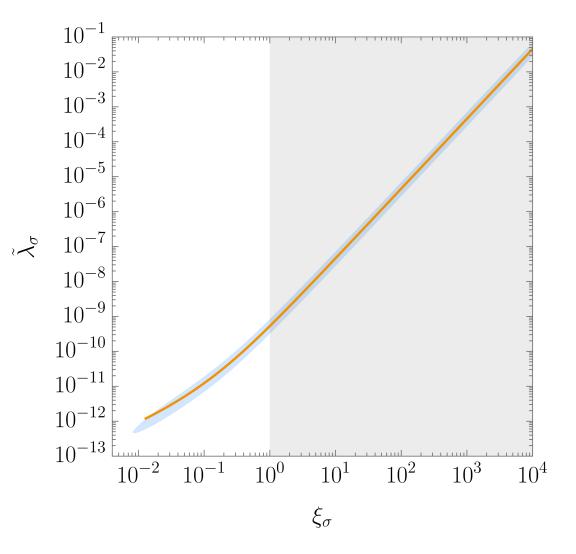
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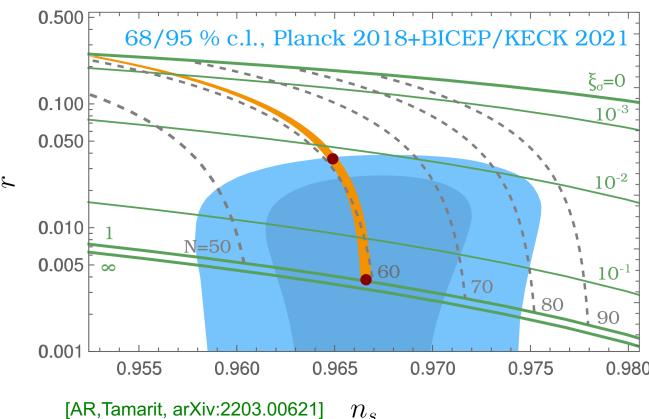
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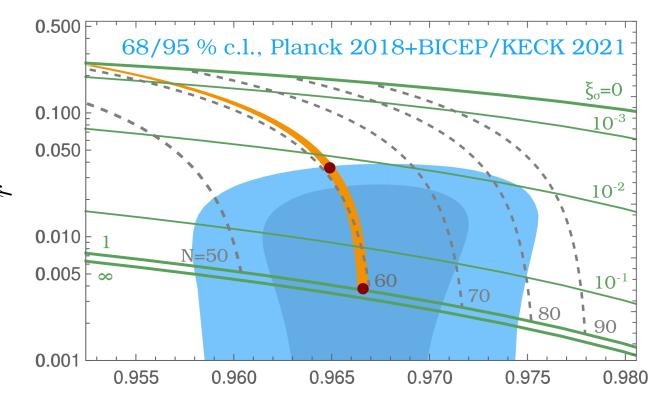
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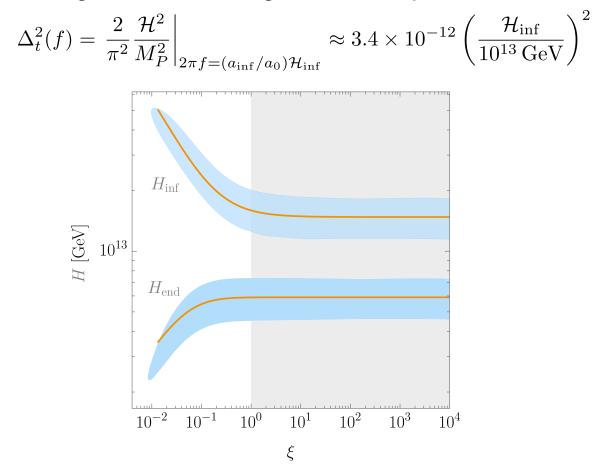
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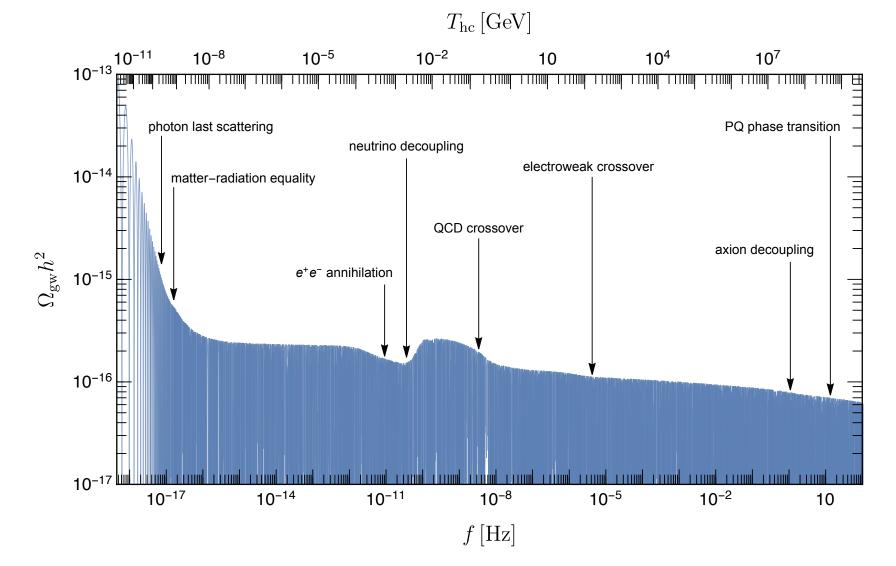
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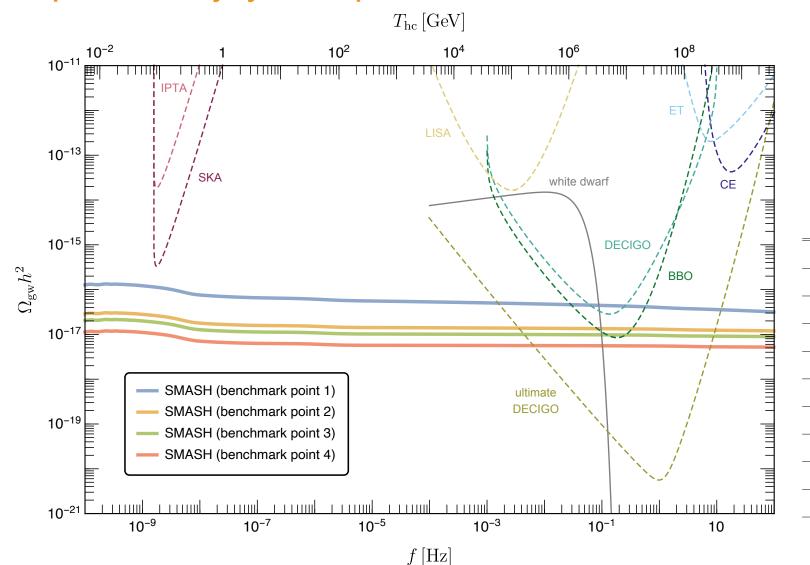
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#### **Cosmic history imprinted in primordial GW spectrum**

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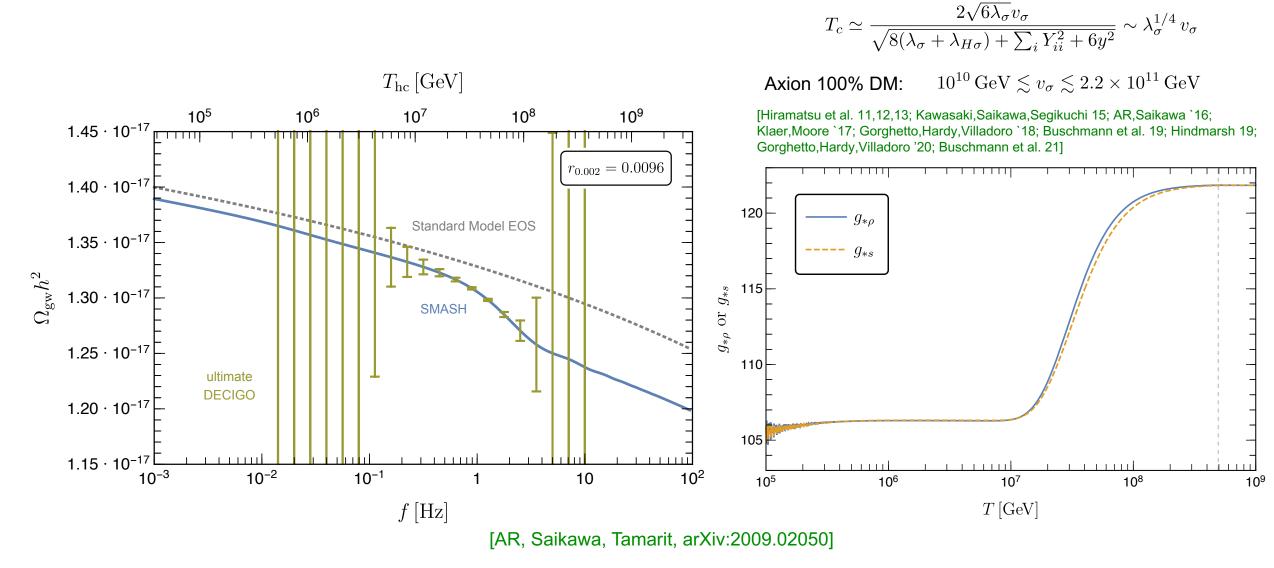


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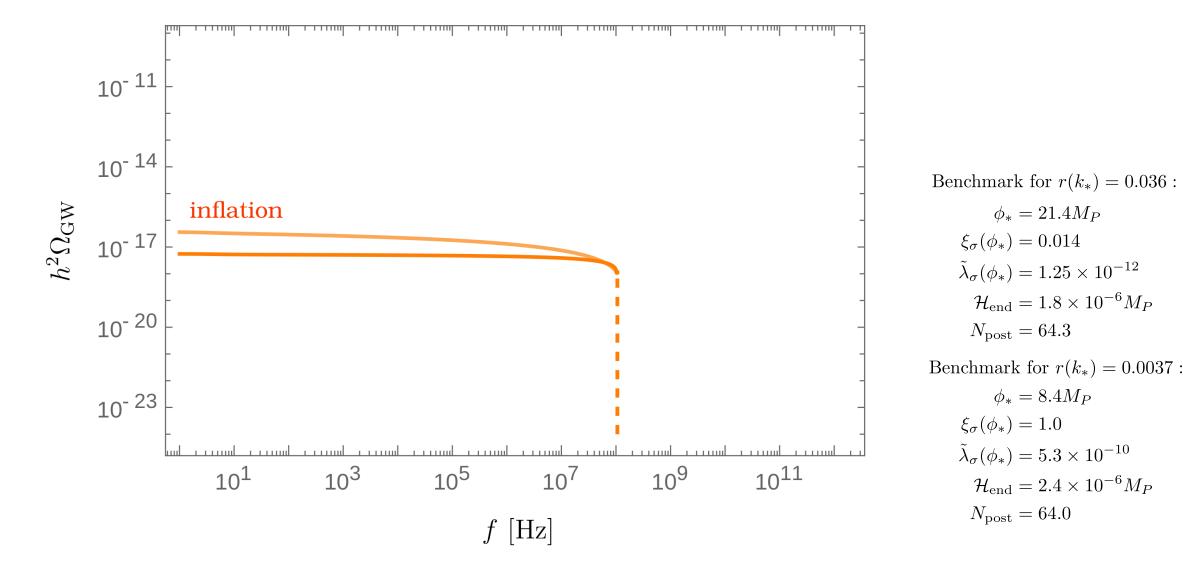
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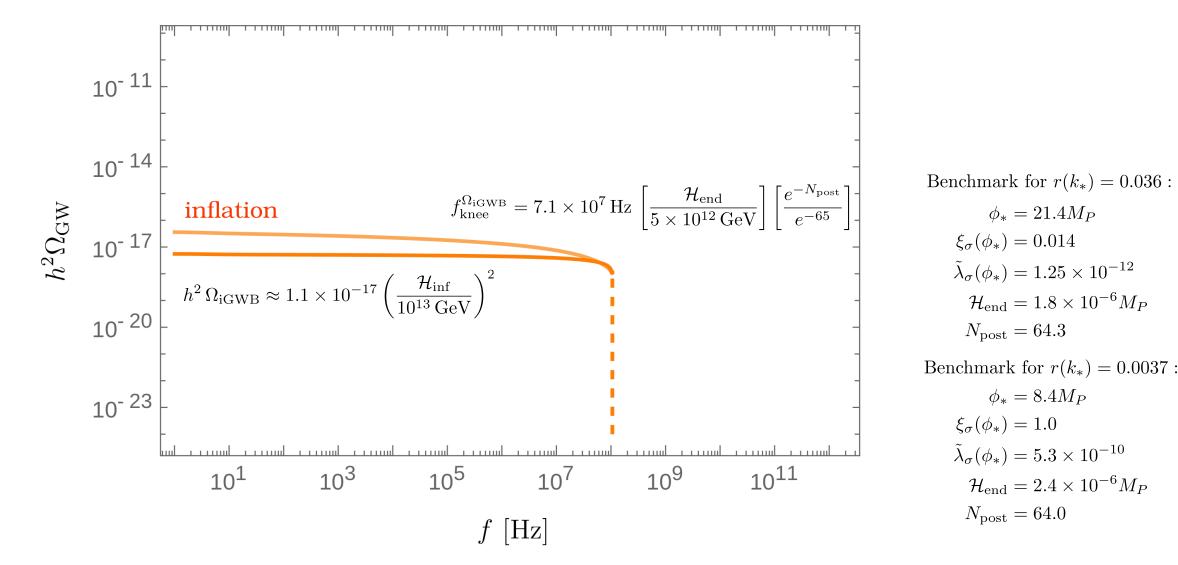


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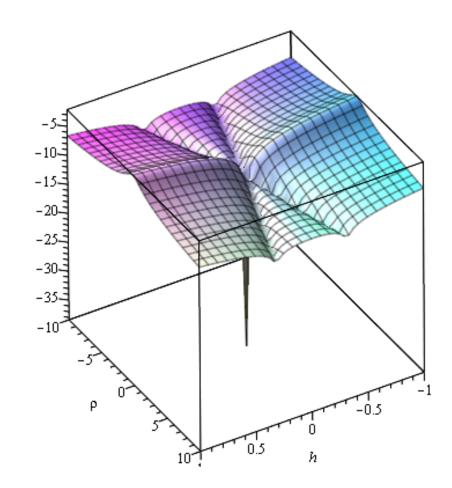


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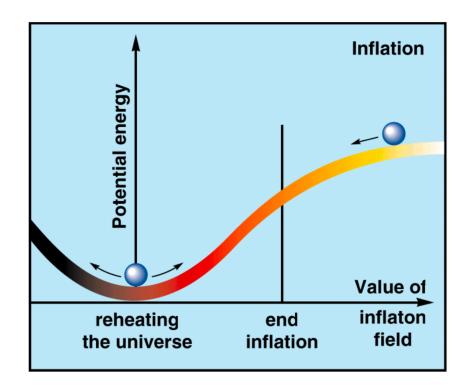
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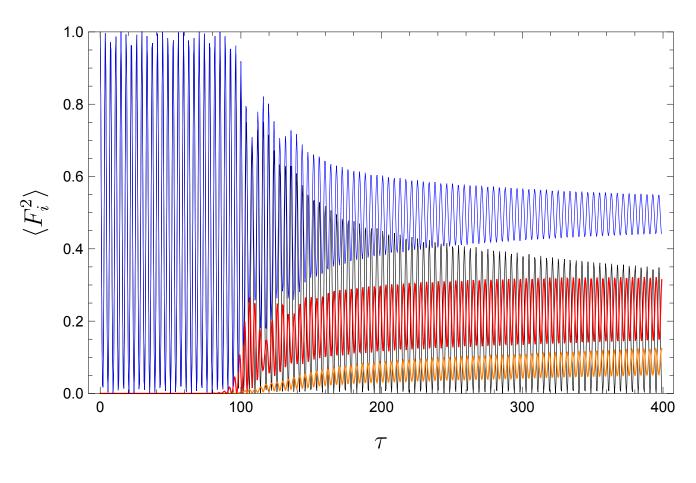
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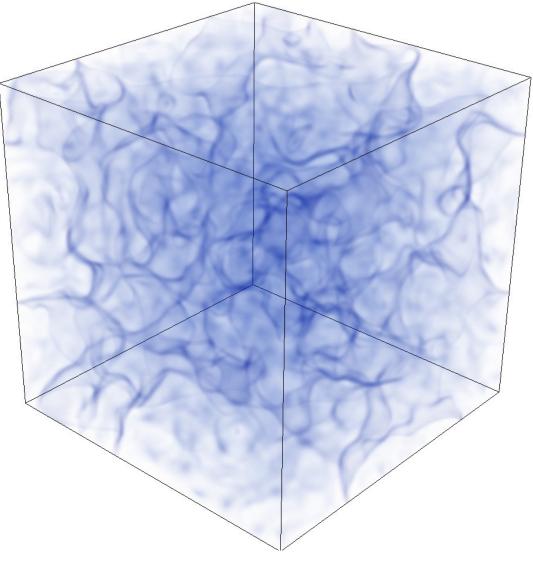


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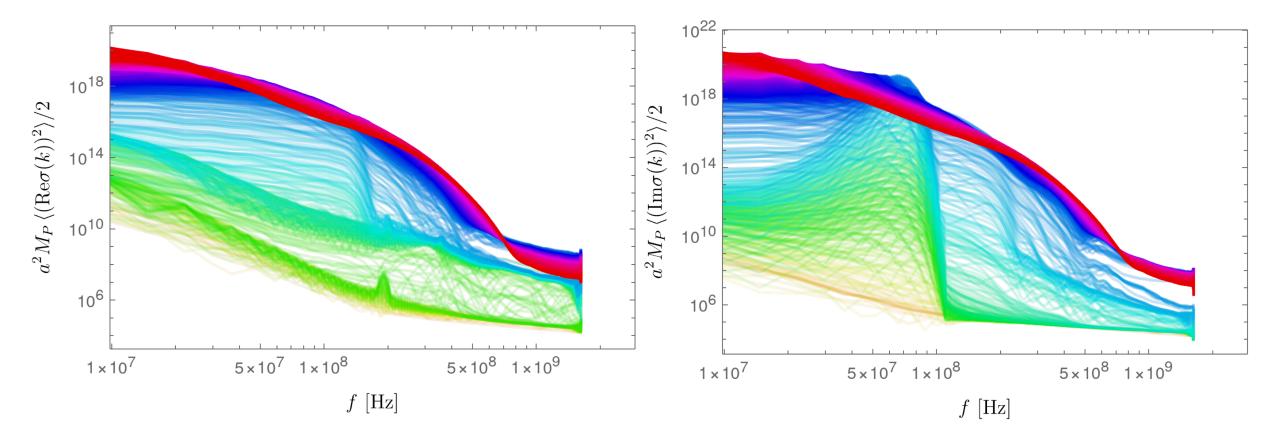
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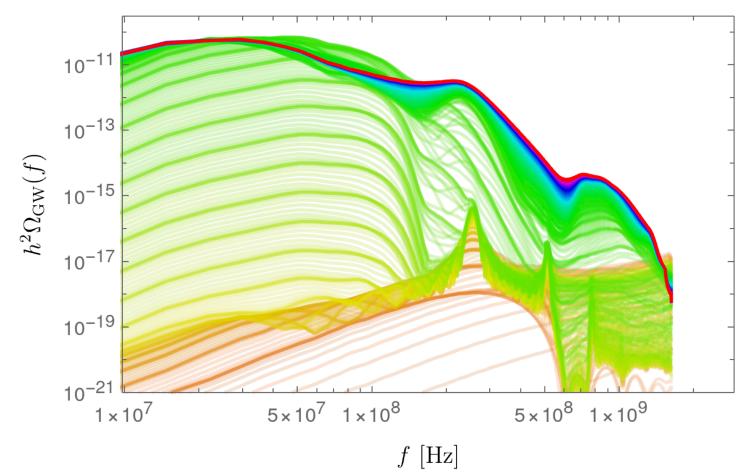
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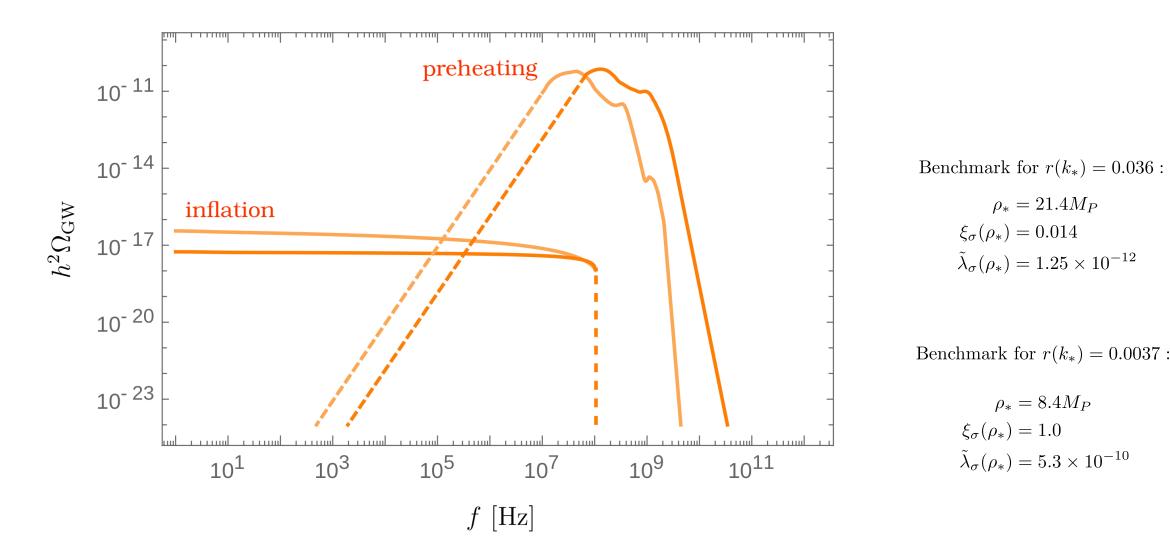
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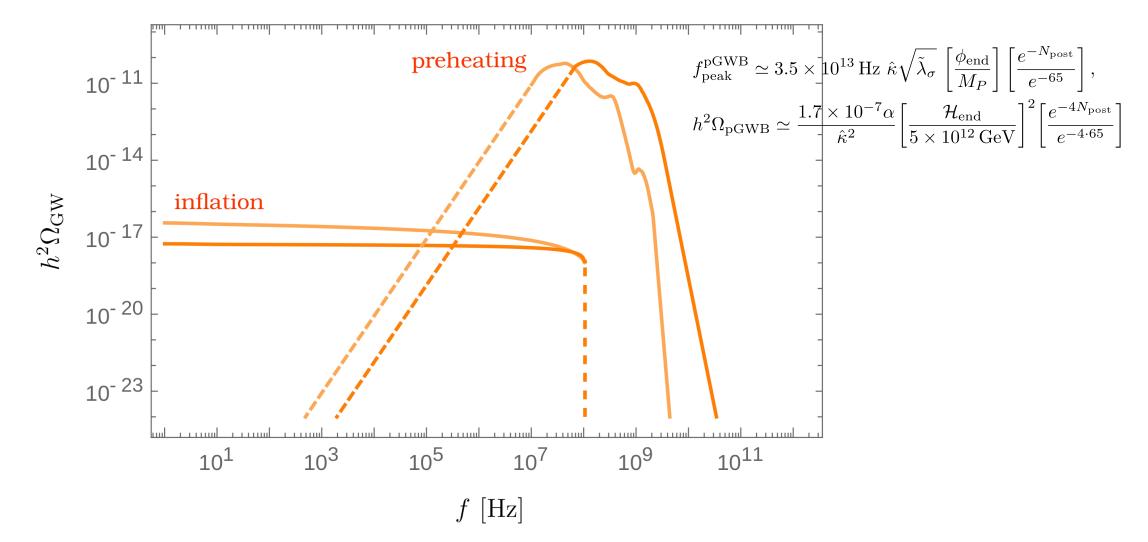
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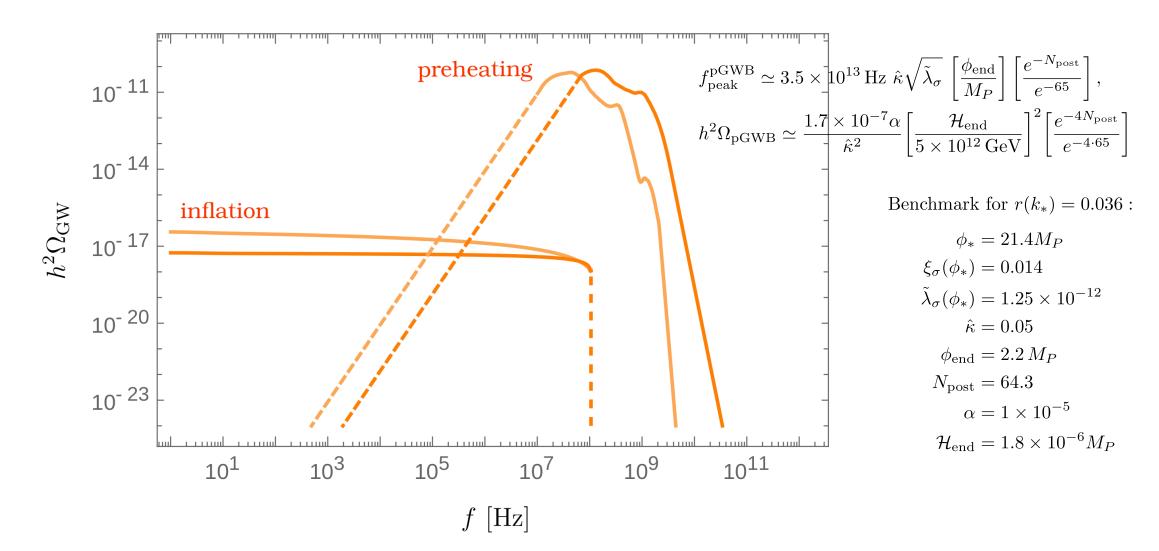
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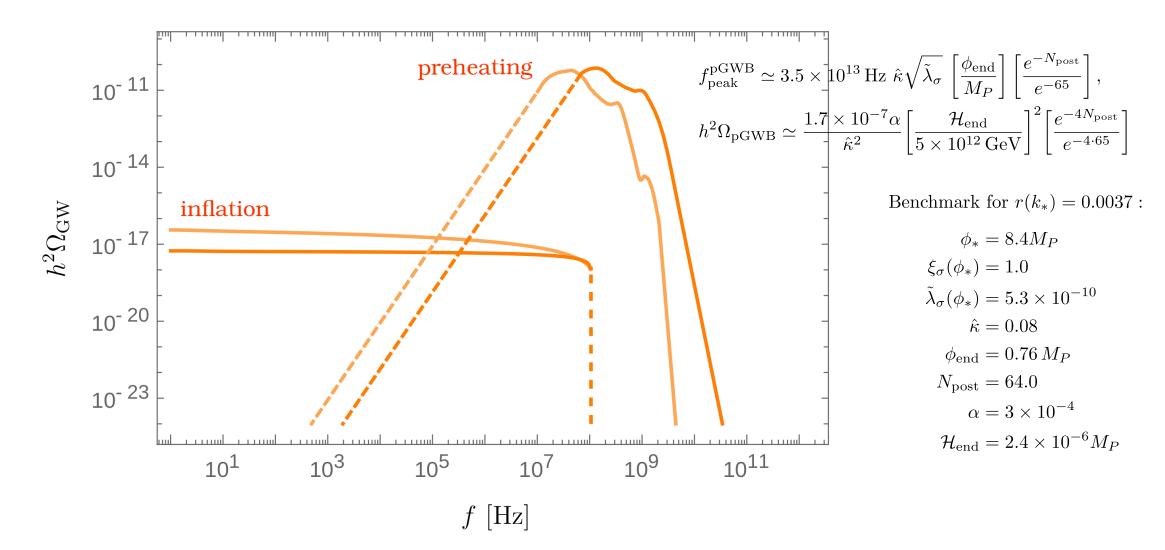
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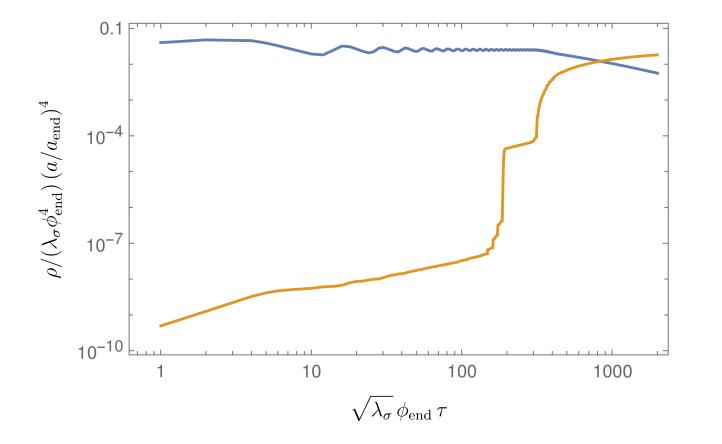
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#### Reheating temperature in SM\*A\*S\*H predicted

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Evolution of the mean energy densities of the scalars (blue) and radiation bath (orange) for BP1, giving  $\tau_{\rm rh} = 835/(\sqrt{\lambda_{\sigma}}\phi_{\rm end}a_{\rm end})$  captured within the simulation.



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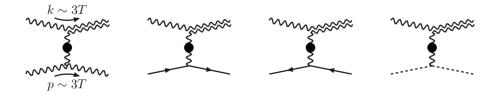
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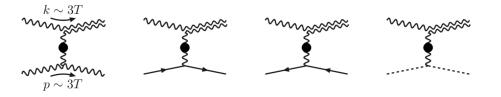
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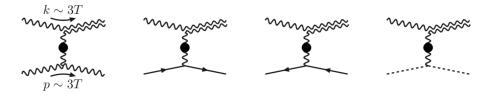
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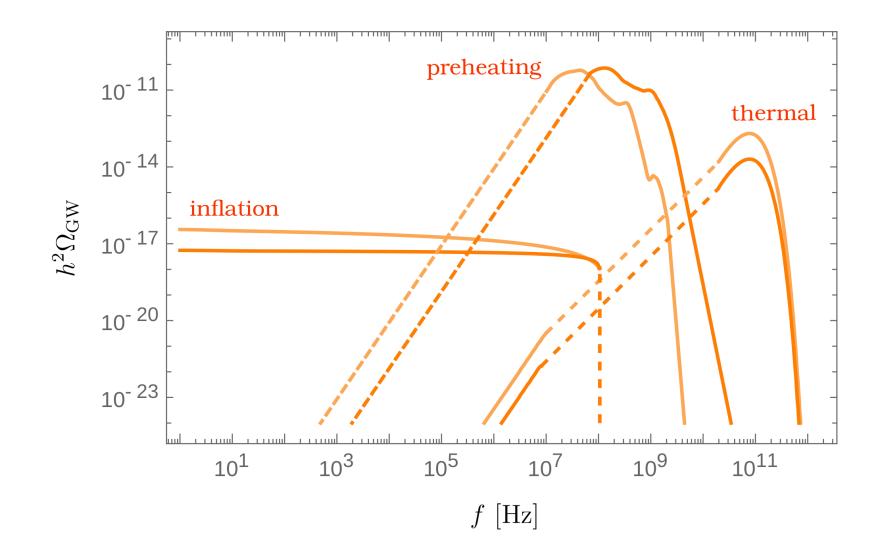
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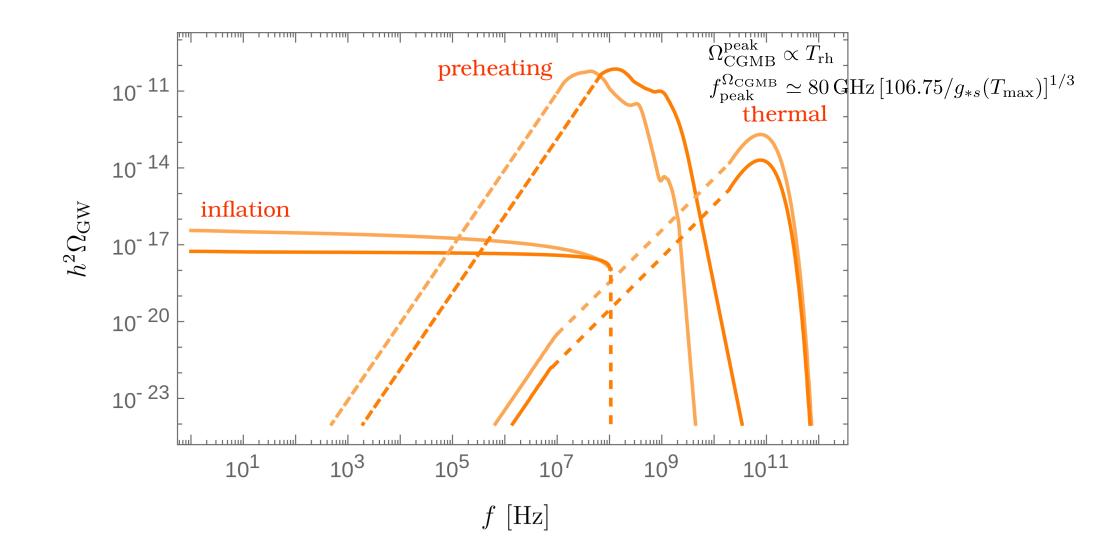
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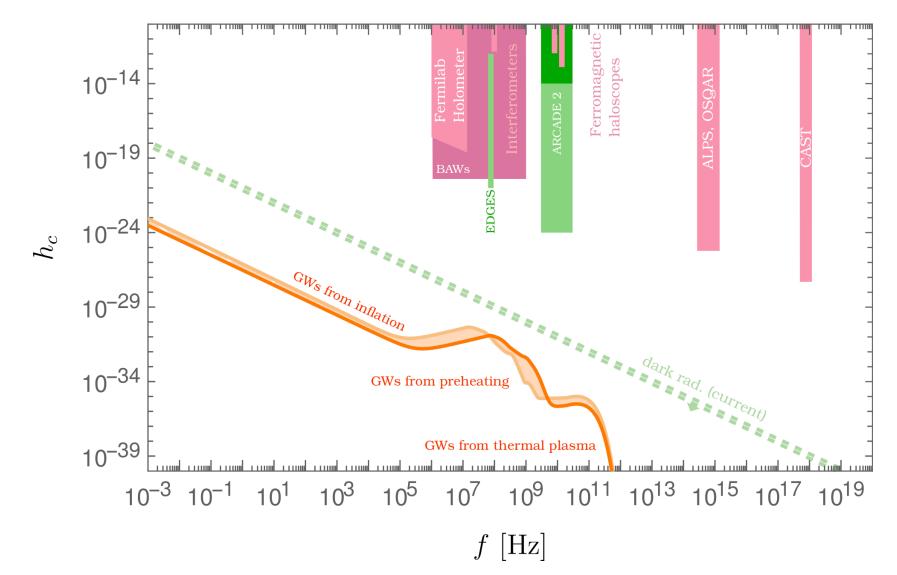


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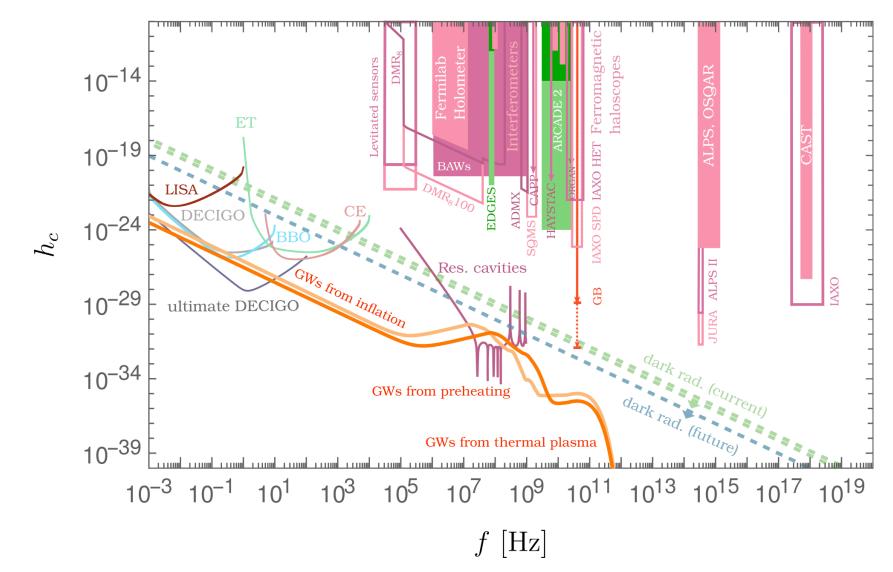
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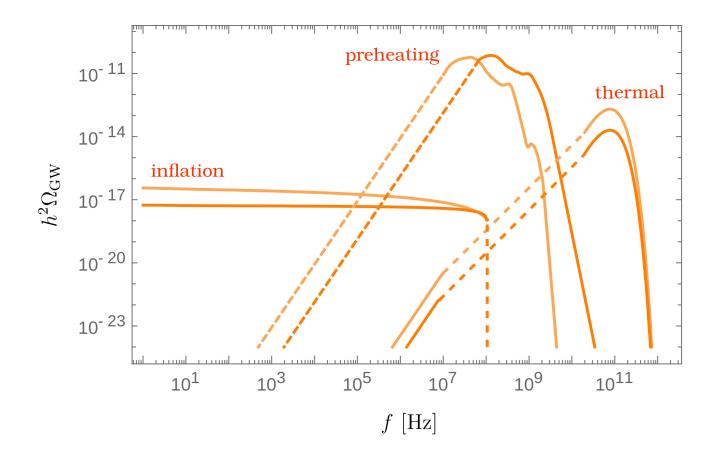


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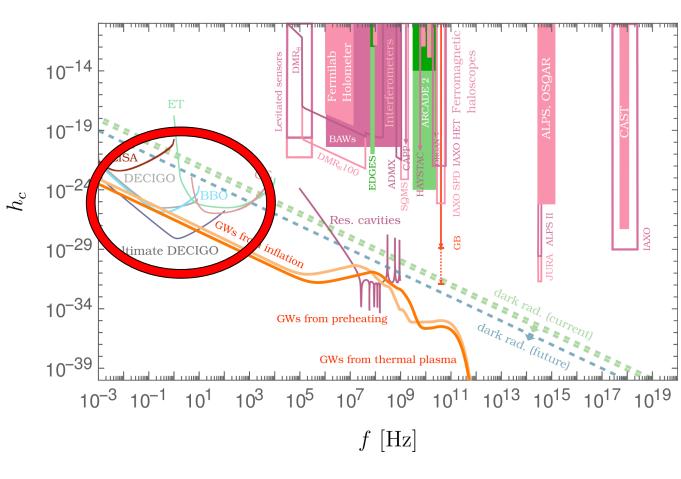
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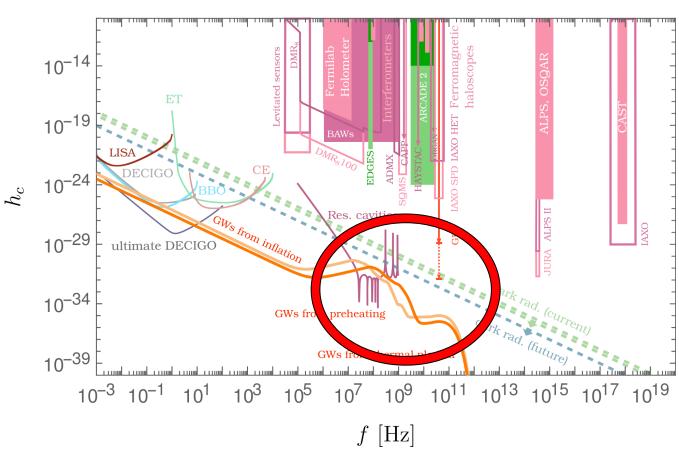
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#### Challenges and Opportunities of Gravitational Wave Searches at MHz to GHz Frequencies

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#### Abstract

The first direct measurement of gravitational waves by the LIGO and Virgo collaborations has opened up new avenues to explore our Universe. This white paper outlines the challenges and gains expected in gravitational wave searches at frequencies above the LIGO/Virgo band, with a particular focus on the MHz and GHz range. The absence of known astrophysical sources in this frequency range provides a unique opportunity to discover physics beyond the Standard Model operating both in the early and late Universe, and we highlight some of the most promising gravitational sources. We review several detector concepts which have been proposed to take up this challenge, and compare their expected sensitivity with the signal strength predicted in various models. This report is the summary of the workshop *Challenges and opportunities of high-frequency gravitational wave detection* held at ICTP Trieste, Italy in October 2019.

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- Revealing the cosmic history sets an ambitious, but rewarding goal for this enterprise

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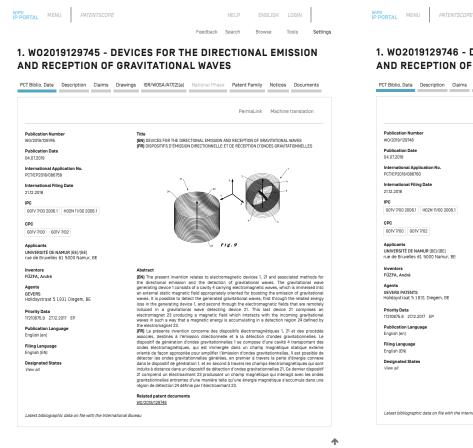
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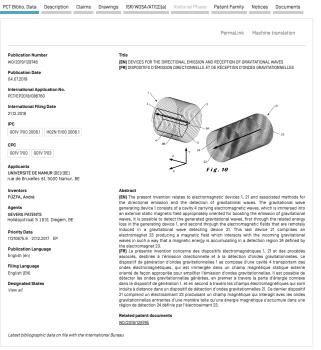
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### Detecting planetary-mass primordial black holes with resonant electromagnetic gravitational-wave detectors

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#### Electromagnetic Antennas for the Resonant Detection of the Stochastic Gravitational Wave Background

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Stochastic gravitational wave background from the early Universe has a cut-off frequency close to 100 MHz, due to the horizon of the inflationary phase. To detect gravitational waves at such frequencies, resonant electromagnetic cavities are very suitable. In this work, we study the frequency sensitivity of such detectors, and show how we could use them to probe this cut-off frequency and also the energy density per frequency of this stochastic background. This paper paves the way for further experimental studies to probe the most ancient relic of the Universe.

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