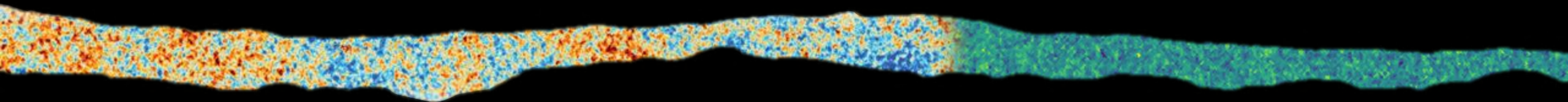




# Gravitational Waves to unveil primordial non-Gaussianity



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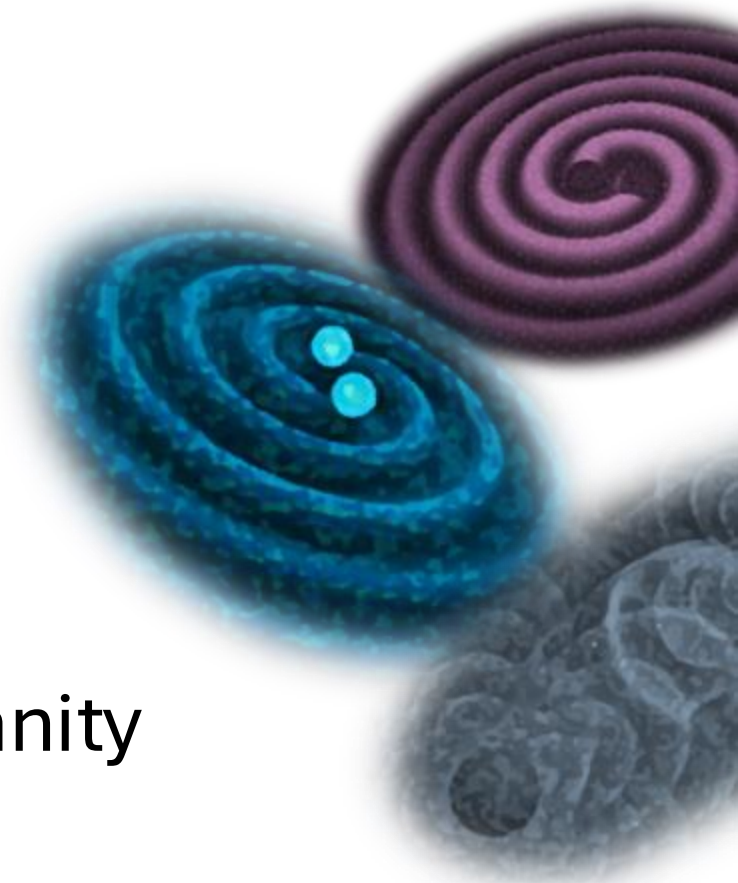
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# 1. INTRODUCTION

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# RECAP ON GWs

Focus on the **S**tochastic **G**ravitational **W**ave **B**ackground (SGWB):

- Two contributions
- Cosmological
  - Astrophysical

We characterize them with

(DIMENSIONLESS)  
GW ENERGY  
DENSITY

$$\Omega_{\text{GW}} \equiv \frac{f_o}{\rho_c} \frac{d\rho_{\text{GW}}}{df_o d\Omega_o}$$

Observed frequency

Critical Density

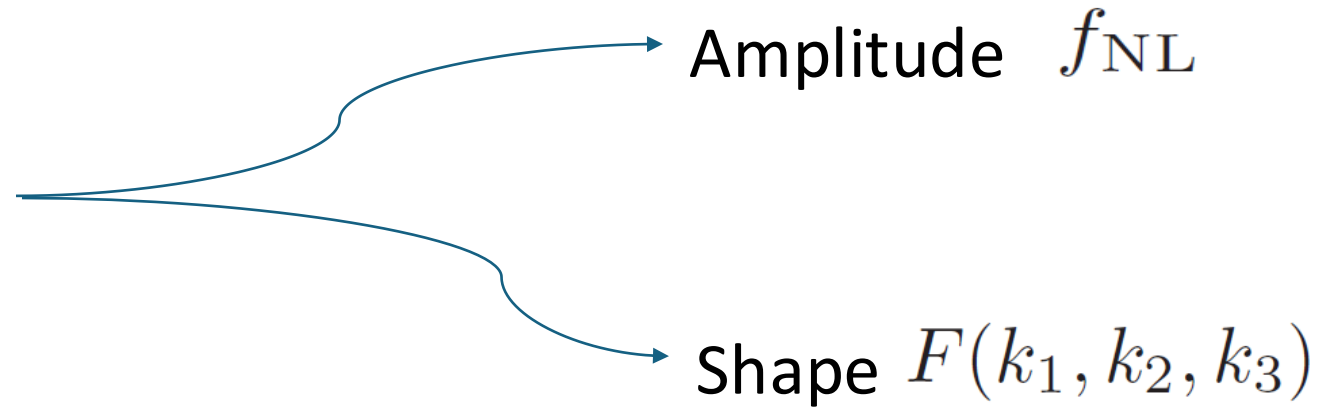
Regimbau, [1101.2762]  
Caprini et al., [1910.13125]  
Bartolo et al., [1912.09433]

# PRIMORDIAL NON-GAUSSIANITY

Deviations of primordial perturbations from Gaussian behaviour.

(e.g., non vanishing high order connected correlators)

Lowest order  
Correlator:  
**Bispectrum**



**Standard Scenario:**

Single Field,  
Slow Roll

Low Level of NG

$$f_{NL} \sim 10^{-2} - 10^{-3}$$

## Latest constraints by Planck

$$\begin{aligned} f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{local}} &= -0.9 \pm 5.1 \\ f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{equil}} &= -26 \pm 47 \\ f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{orth}} &= -38 \pm 24 \end{aligned}$$

Planck Collaboration  
[1905.05697]

There is still space for models predicting a non-vanishing, sufficiently high primordial non-Gaussianity.

Focus on **local** primordial non-Gaussianity.

We can write the NG field as

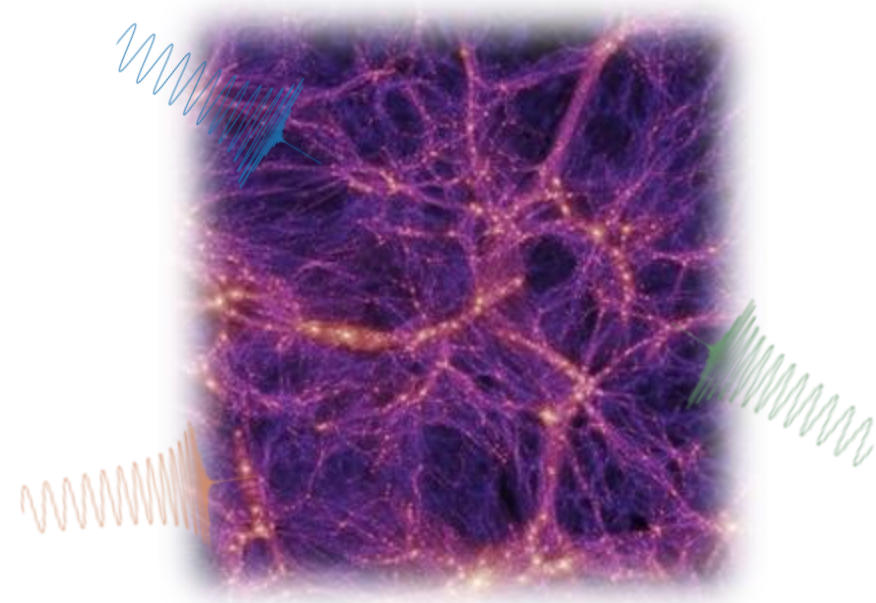
$$\Phi(\vec{x}) = \Phi_L(\vec{x}) + f_{\text{NL}} \left( \Phi_L^2(\vec{x}) - \langle \Phi_L^2(\vec{x}) \rangle \right)$$

← Gaussian Field

**HOW DO GWs COULD BE AFFECTED BY THE PRESENCE OF NG?**

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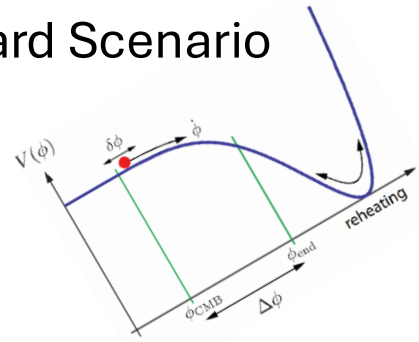


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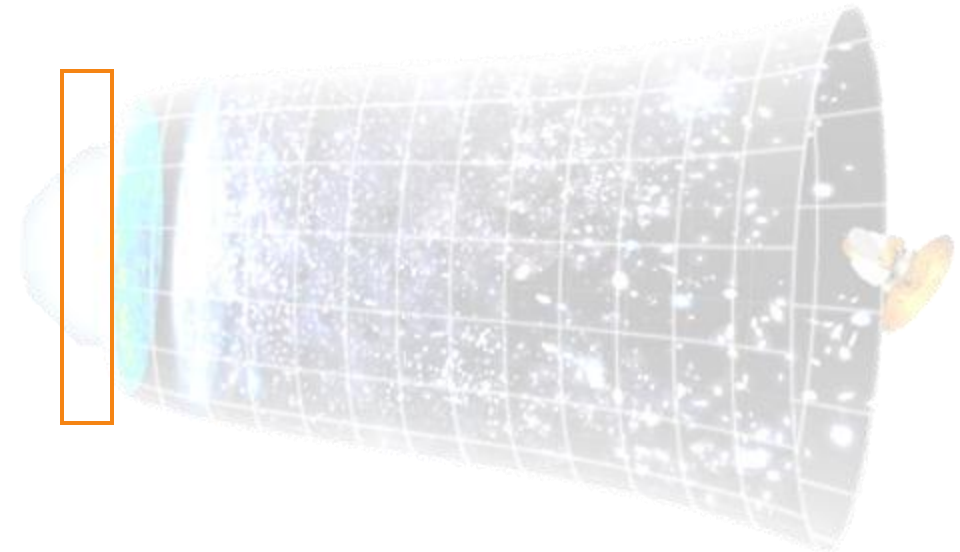
Extract cosmological information combined with other cosmological probes

Primordial  
non-Gaussianity

Standard Scenario



Cosmic Microwave  
Background



Different models of inflation predict different types of non Gaussianity, So a better constraint would help us to discard many of them!



# ANISOTROPIES - AGWB

**AGWB:** Superposition of a large number of unresolved sources since the beginning of stellar activity.

Two contributions:

$$\Omega_{\text{GW}} \equiv \frac{f_o}{\rho_c} \frac{d\rho_{\text{GW}}}{df_o d\Omega_o} = \frac{\bar{\Omega}_{\text{GW}}(f)}{4\pi} + \Delta\Omega_{\text{GW}}(f, \hat{\mathbf{n}})$$

Isotropic

Anisotropic

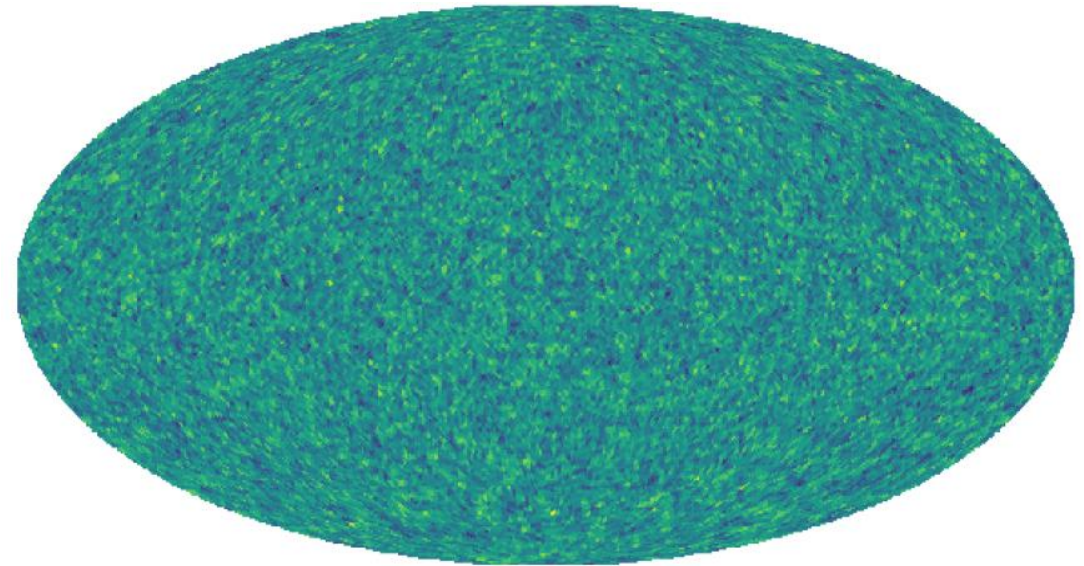


Image Credit: Ricciardone et al., [2106.02591]

Contaldi, [1609.08168]

Cusin et al., [1704.06184]

Jenkins et al., [1806.01718]

Cusin et al., [1904.07757]

Bertacca et al., [1909.11627]

In Poisson Gauge:

$$\Delta\Omega_{\text{GWB}}^{[i]}(f_o, \hat{\mathbf{n}}) = \frac{f_o}{\rho_{0c}c^2} \int \frac{dz}{H(z)} \int d\boldsymbol{\theta} p^{[i]}(\boldsymbol{\theta}|z) [1 - \varepsilon_{\text{res}}(z, \boldsymbol{\theta})] \frac{\bar{R}^{[i]}}{1+z} \overline{\frac{dE_{\text{GW},e}^{[i]}}{df_e d\Omega_e}}$$

$$\times \left\{ \begin{aligned} & \delta_{\text{GW}}^{[i]} \leftarrow \text{Density} \\ & + \left( b_{\text{evo}}^{[i]} - 2 - \frac{\mathcal{H}'}{\mathcal{H}^2} \right) \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \mathbf{V} - \frac{1}{\mathcal{H}} \partial_{\parallel} (\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \mathbf{V}) - (b_{\text{evo}}^{[i]} - 3) \mathcal{H} V \leftarrow \text{Velocity} \\ & + \left( 3 - b_{\text{evo}}^{[i]} + \frac{\mathcal{H}'}{\mathcal{H}^2} \right) \Psi + \frac{1}{\mathcal{H}} \Phi' + \left( 2 - b_{\text{evo}}^{[i]} + \frac{\mathcal{H}'}{\mathcal{H}^2} \right) \int_0^{\chi(z)} d\chi (\Psi' + \Phi') \leftarrow \text{Gravity} \\ & + \left( b_{\text{evo}}^{[i]} - 2 - \frac{\mathcal{H}'}{\mathcal{H}^2} \right) \left( \Psi_o - \mathcal{H}_o \int_0^{\tau_o} d\tau \frac{\Psi(\tau)}{1+z(\tau)} \Big|_o - (\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \mathbf{V})_o \right) \leftarrow \text{Observer} \end{aligned} \right\},$$

GW Sources  
overdensity

Bias  $b^{[i]} \delta_m$

Dark Matter  
overdensity

Bertacca et al., [1909.11627]  
Bellomo et al., [2110.15059]

$$\Delta\Omega_{\text{GW}}(\mathbf{n}) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{+\ell} a_{\ell m} Y_{\ell m}(\mathbf{n}) \quad \longrightarrow \quad a_{\ell m} = \int d\mathbf{n} Y_{\ell m}^*(\mathbf{n}) \Delta\Omega_{\text{GW}}(\mathbf{n})$$

Spherical harmonics (pointing to  $Y_{\ell m}(\mathbf{n})$ )  
Physics inside! (pointing to  $a_{\ell m}$ )

In Fourier Space and considering the sum over different contributions

$$a_{\ell m} = \sum_{[i]\beta} \int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} Y_{\ell' m}^*(\hat{\mathbf{k}}) \mathcal{S}_{\ell}^{[i]\beta}(k) \delta_m(\mathbf{k}, \eta_0)$$

Source Function (pointing to  $\mathcal{S}_{\ell}^{[i]\beta}(k)$ )  
 [i] = source  
 β = anisotropy term

with

$$\mathcal{S}_{\ell}^{[i]\delta_m^{(\text{SC})}}(k) = (4\pi) i^{\ell} \int d\bar{\chi} \mathcal{W}^{[i]}(\bar{\chi}) b_{\text{GW}}^{[i]} \frac{D(\eta)}{D(\eta_0)} j_{\ell}(k\bar{\chi}) \dots$$

$D(\eta)$  = growth function

# ANISOTROPIES - CMB

$$T(\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{n}}, \eta) = T(\eta) [1 + \Theta(\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{p}}, \eta)]$$

In this case

$$a_{\ell m}^{\text{CMB}}(\mathbf{x}, \eta_0) = \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} Y_{\ell m}^*(\hat{\mathbf{k}}) \mathcal{T}_\ell(\hat{\mathbf{p}}, \eta_0) \zeta(\mathbf{k})$$

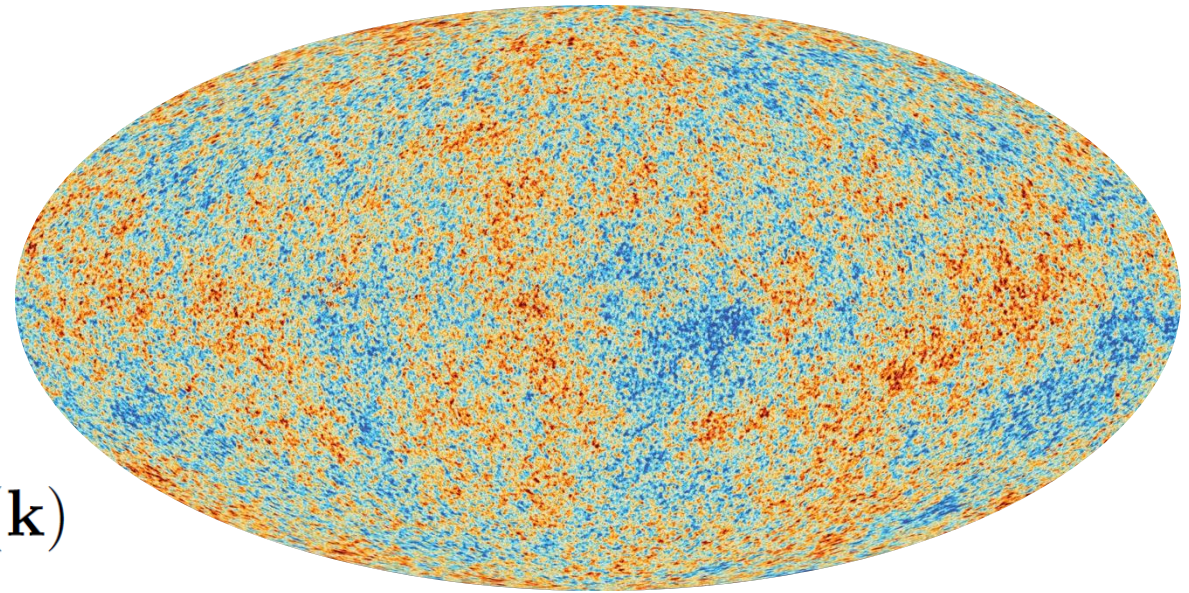


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And the transfer functions

$$\mathcal{T}_\ell^{\text{ISW}}(k, \eta_0) = (4\pi) i^\ell \int_0^{\eta_0} d\eta [T'_\Psi + T'_\Phi] e^{-\tau} j_\ell(k(\eta_0 - \eta)) \quad \leftarrow \text{Integrated Sachs-Wolfe}$$

$$\mathcal{T}_\ell^{\text{SW}}(k, \eta_0) = (4\pi) i^\ell \int_0^{\eta_0} d\eta \delta(\eta - \eta_*) T_\Phi j_\ell(k(\eta_0 - \eta)) \quad \leftarrow \text{Sachs-Wolfe}$$

$$\mathcal{T}_\ell^{\text{DOP}}(k, \eta_0) = (4\pi) i^\ell \int_0^{\eta_0} d\eta \delta(\eta - \eta^*) T_v \frac{d}{d\eta} [j_\ell[k(\eta_0 - \eta)]] \quad \leftarrow \text{Doppler}$$



# BIAS AND NON-GAUSSIANITY

**GOAL:** Understand clustering properties of **Dark Matter...**

...by means of «luminous» sources

↑  
**T**RACER [i]

●  $\text{Tracer}_1 = b_1 \delta_m$

●  $\text{Tracer}_2 = b_2 \delta_m$

$b_1 \neq b_2$  !

Tracers in this work: GW Binaries

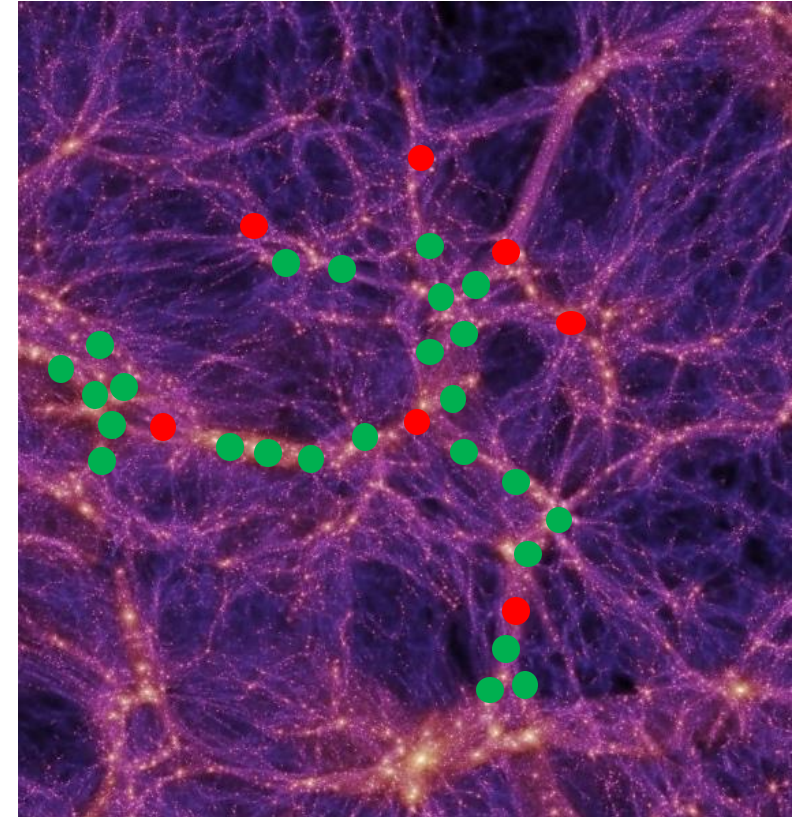


Image Credit: Millenium Simulation

Desjaques et al, [1611.09797]

# HOW DOES PRIMORDIAL NON-GAUSSIANITY AFFECT THE EVOLUTION OF STRUCTURES IN THE UNIVERSE?

Additional scale dependent contribution

$$\Delta b(k) = 3 f_{\text{NL}} (b - p) \delta_c \frac{\Omega_m}{T(k) D(z) k^2} \left( \frac{H_0}{c} \right)^2$$

Matter Transfer  
Function 

1. Models of Inflation
2. Large Scales

Dalal et al., [0710.4560]  
Matarrese, Verde [0801.4826]  
Slosar et al., [0805.3580]

# CROSS-CORRELATION PRESCRIPTION

Evaluation of the Cross-Correlation between the AGWB and the CMB anisotropies considering the presence of an additional contribution to the bias due to the presence of NG

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \langle a_{\ell m}^{\text{CMB} \alpha} a_{\ell' m'}^{* \text{AGWB} \beta} \rangle = \delta_{m m'} \delta_{\ell \ell'} C_{\ell}^{\alpha \beta} \\
 & C_{\ell}^{\text{GW} \times \text{CMB}} = \sum_{[i] \alpha} \int \frac{dk_1}{(2\pi)^3} k_1^2 \mathcal{S}_{\ell}^{[i] \alpha}(\hat{k}_1) \mathcal{T}_{\ell}^*(k_1) P_{\zeta}(k_1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$C_{\ell}^{\text{GW} \times \text{CMB}} = \boxed{C_{\ell}^{\text{ISW} \times \delta_m^{(SC)}}} + C_{\ell}^{\text{ISW} \times (\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \mathbf{v})} + \dots$$

↑  
Dominant Contribution

# RESULTS (1)

I modified the CLASS  
Code



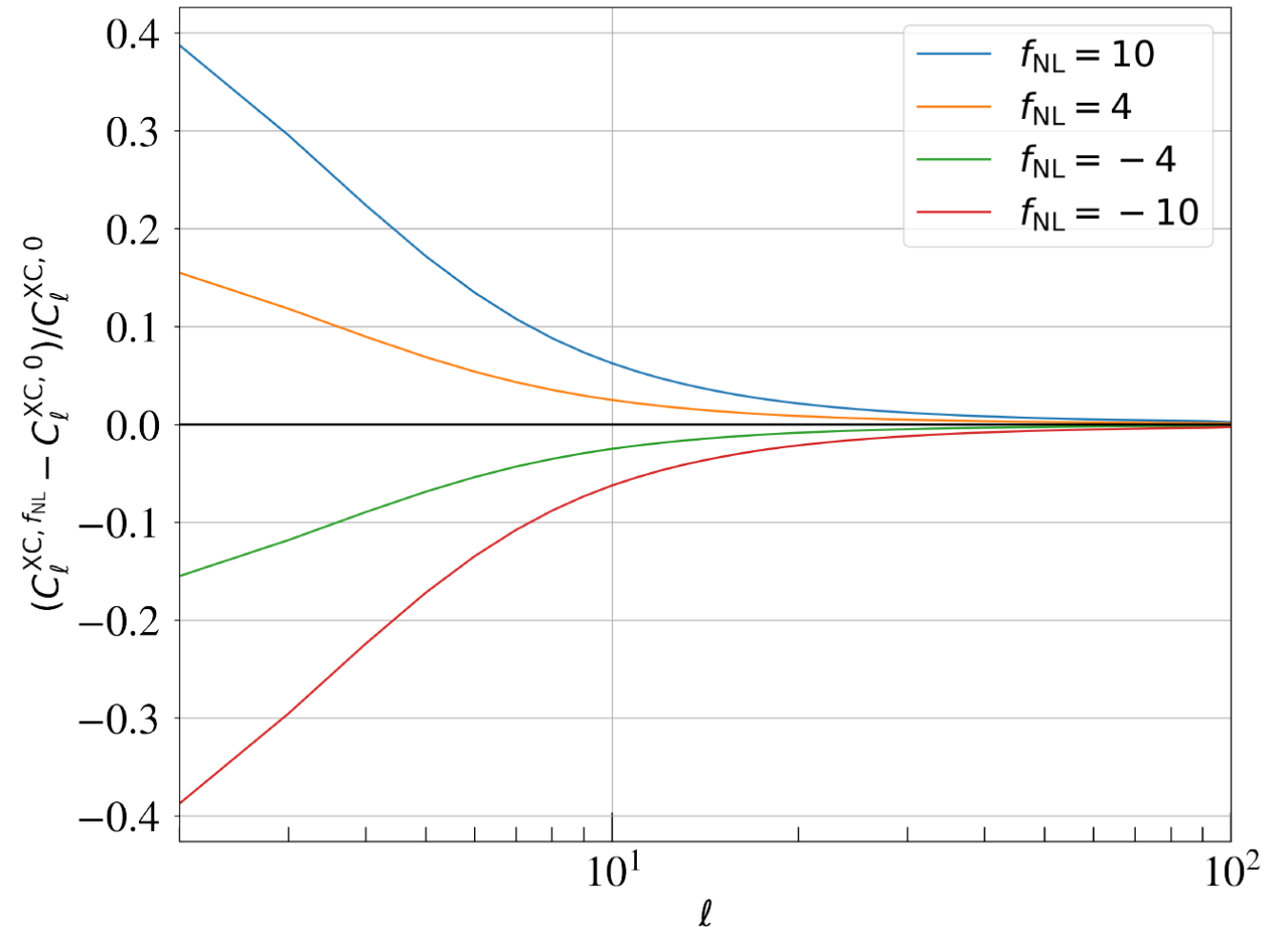
AGWB anisotropies

Bias correction

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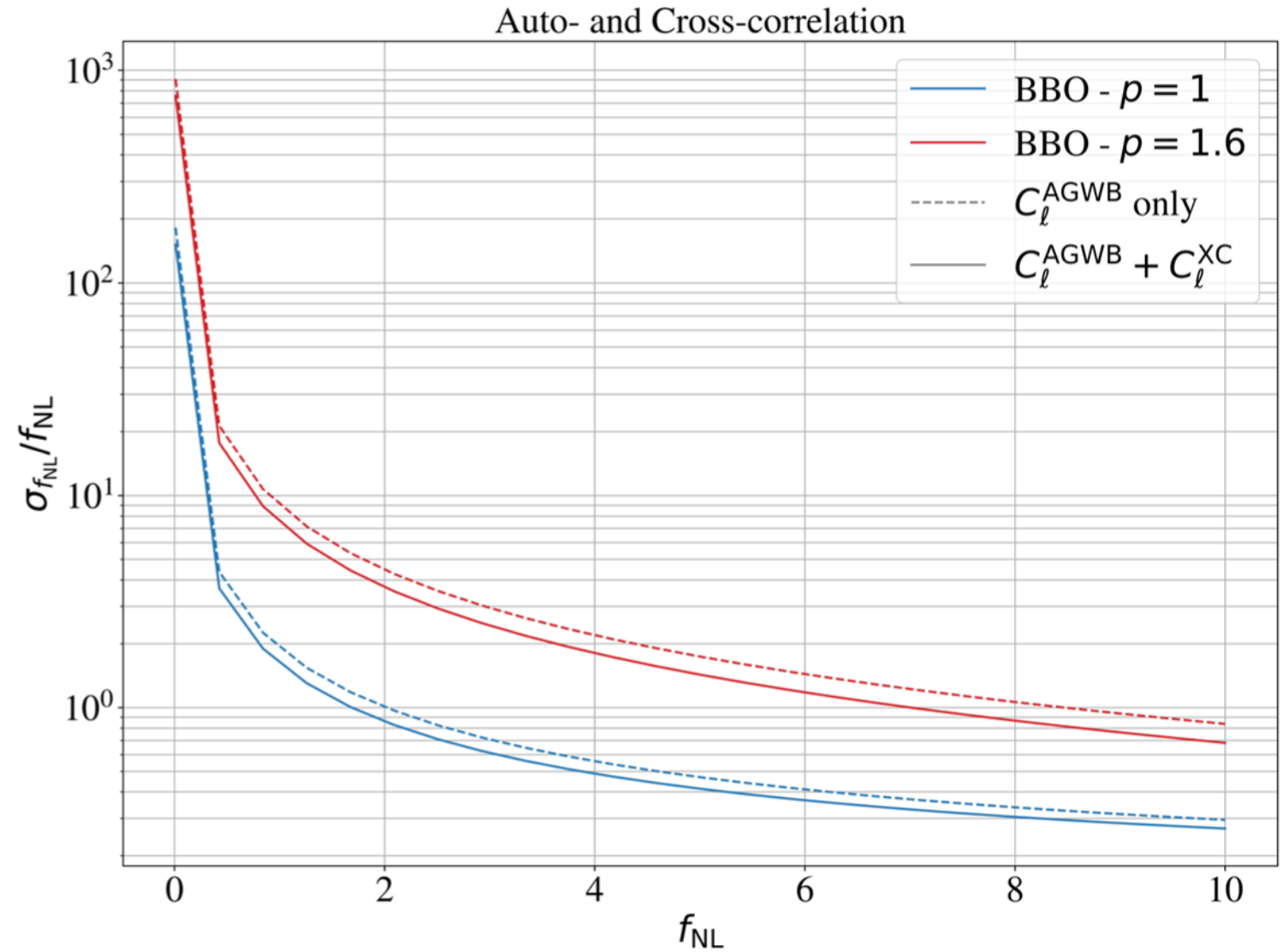
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Module

$b = 1.5$





# RESULTS (2)

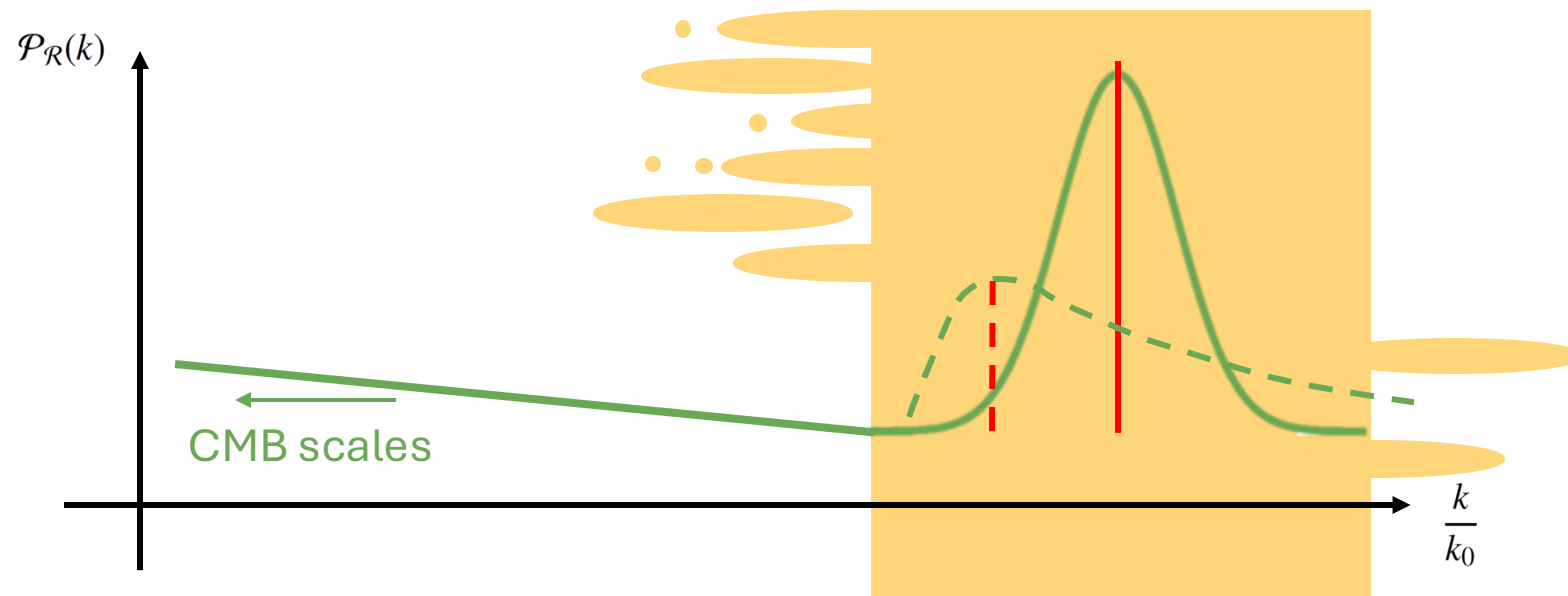


# 3. IMPRINTS OF nG ON THE SIGWB

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# SCALAR-INDUCED GWs

- It is possible to generate GWs by means of mode coupling of scalar modes at **second order** in perturbation theory.
- A large range of scales has been constrained by the CMB, **BUT** a huge window at the smaller scales remains *unconstrained*...
- SIGWs provide a *complementary* way to probe the power spectrum at the scales of interest.



[Matarrese et al; '93,'94]  
[Ananda et al; '06]  
[Baumann et al; '07] ...

# SOURCING SIGW

Start from the conformal metric, written up to **second** order in perturbations

$$ds^2 = a^2(\eta) \left\{ - \left( 1 + 2\Phi^{(1)} + \Phi^{(2)} \right) d\eta^2 + 2\omega_i^{(2)} d\eta dx^i + \left[ (1 - 2\Psi^{(1)} - \Psi^{(2)}) \delta_{ij} + \frac{1}{2} h_{ij} \right] dx^i dx^j \right\}$$

To obtain the equation for GWs, accounting for the presence of scalar perturbation.

Einstein equations

Projecting on the *Transverse-Traceless* Gauge to extract the gauge invariant modes

Projection tensor

$$\hat{\mathcal{T}}_{ij}^{lm} G_{\mu\nu}^{(2)} = 8\pi G \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{ij}^{lm} T_{\mu\nu}^{(2)}$$

# SIGWB SPECTRUM

$$\begin{aligned} \langle h_{\lambda_1}(\mathbf{k}_1, \eta_1) h_{\lambda_2}(\mathbf{k}_2, \eta_2) \rangle &= 16 \int \frac{d^3 q_1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int \frac{d^3 q_2}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} Q_{\lambda_1}(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{q}_1) I(|\mathbf{k}_1 - \mathbf{q}_1|, q_1, \eta_1) \\ &\quad \times Q_{\lambda_2}(\mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{q}_2) I(|\mathbf{k}_2 - \mathbf{q}_2|, q_2, \eta_2) \\ &\quad \times \langle \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{q}_1) \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{k}_1 - \mathbf{q}_1) \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{q}_2) \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{k}_2 - \mathbf{q}_2) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Mapping to observable quantities

$$\Omega_{\text{GW}}(k, \eta) \equiv \frac{\rho_{\text{GW}}(k, \eta)}{\rho_{\text{tot}}(\eta)} = \frac{1}{48} \left( \frac{k}{a(\eta)H(\eta)} \right)^2 \sum_{\lambda=+, \times} \overline{\Delta_{h, \lambda}^2(k, \eta)}$$

At the end

$$\Omega_{\text{GW},0}(k) h^2 = \Omega_{\text{rad},0} h^2 \left( \frac{g_{*,0}}{g_{*,e}} \right)^{1/3} \Omega_{\text{GW},e}(k)$$

e.g. [Watanabe, Komatsu; '06]

# IMPRINTS OF NON-GAUSSIANITY

$$\Omega_{\text{GW},0}(k)h^2 \propto \int d^3q_1 d^3q_2 \langle \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{q}_1)\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{k}_1 - \mathbf{q}_1)\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{q}_2)\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{k}_2 - \mathbf{q}_2) \rangle$$

Focus on local non-Gaussianity

$$\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{R}_g(\mathbf{x}) + f_{\text{NL}}(\mathcal{R}_g^2(\mathbf{x}) - \langle \mathcal{R}_g^2 \rangle) + g_{\text{NL}}\mathcal{R}_g^3(\mathbf{x}) + h_{\text{NL}}(\mathcal{R}_g^4(\mathbf{x}) - 3\langle \mathcal{R}_g^2 \rangle^2) + i_{\text{NL}}\mathcal{R}_g^5(\mathbf{x})$$

Why considering up to the 5<sup>th</sup> order in the expansion?

- Properly account for all the possible contributions at the next-to and next-to-next-to leading order in the perturbations
- Perform the calculations without any assumption on the hierarchy among the nG parameters.

# IMPRINTS OF NON-GAUSSIANITY

$$\mathcal{R}^{\text{NG}}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{R}_g(\mathbf{x}) + f_{\text{NL}}(\mathcal{R}_g^2(\mathbf{x}) - \langle \mathcal{R}_g^2 \rangle) + g_{\text{NL}} \mathcal{R}_g^3(\mathbf{x}) + h_{\text{NL}}(\mathcal{R}_g^4(\mathbf{x}) - 3\langle \mathcal{R}_g^2 \rangle^2) + i_{\text{NL}} \mathcal{R}_g^5(\mathbf{x})$$

In Fourier space

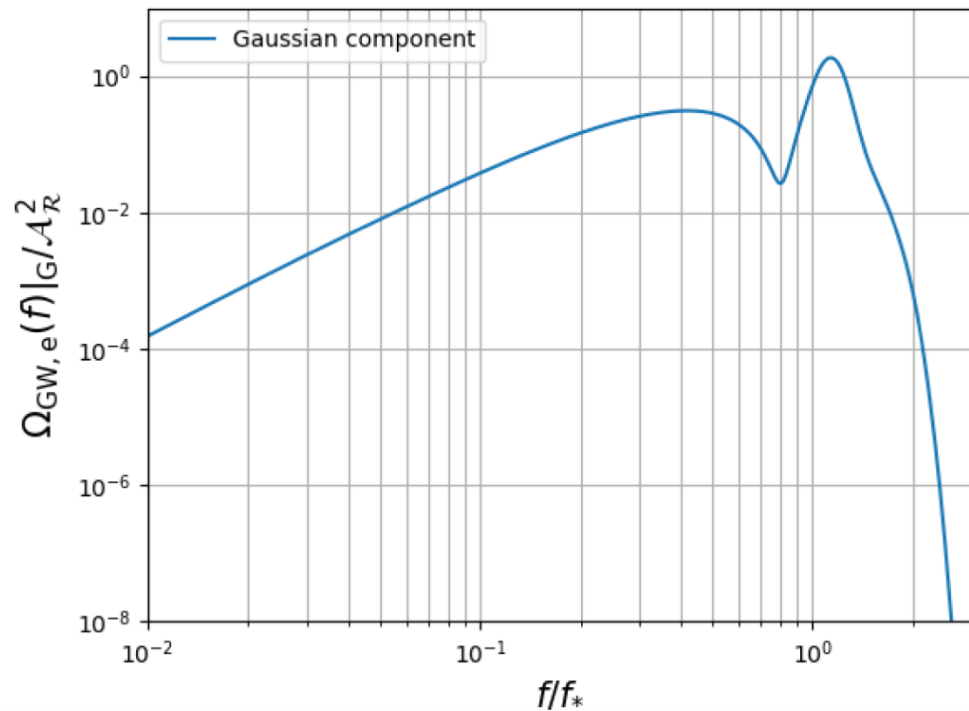
$$\langle \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_1}^{\text{NG}} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_2}^{\text{NG}} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_3}^{\text{NG}} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_4}^{\text{NG}} \rangle$$

Leading Order 4-point =  $\langle \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_1} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_2} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_3} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_4} \rangle$

NTLO 6-point +  $\langle \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_1} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_2} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_3} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_4} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_5} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_6} \rangle$

NTNTLO 8-point +  $\langle \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_1} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_2} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_3} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_4} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_5} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_6} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_7} \mathcal{R}_{\mathbf{k}_8} \rangle$

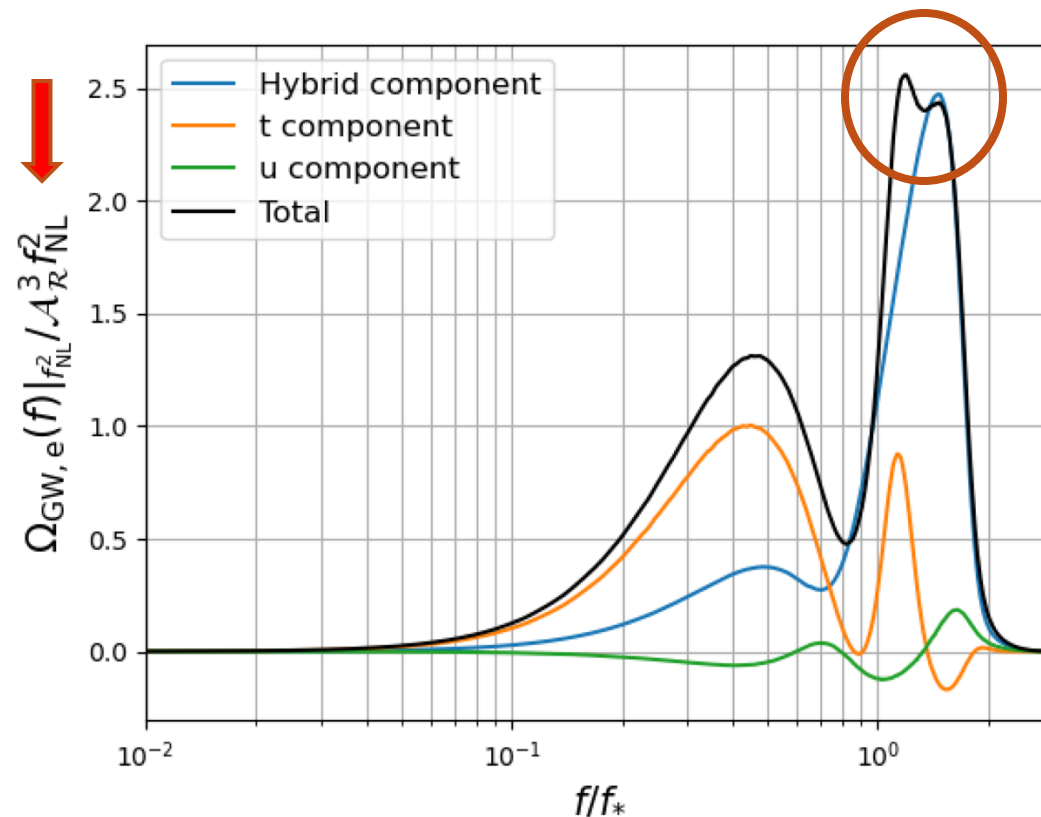
# Leading Order



LogNormal Spectrum:

$$\Delta_g^2(k) = \frac{\mathcal{A}_R}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{\ln^2(k/k_*)}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

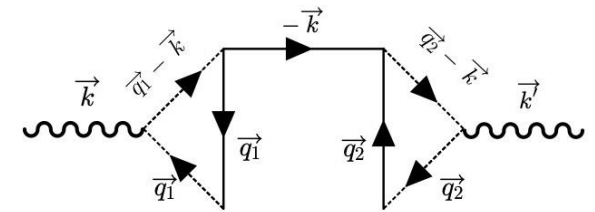
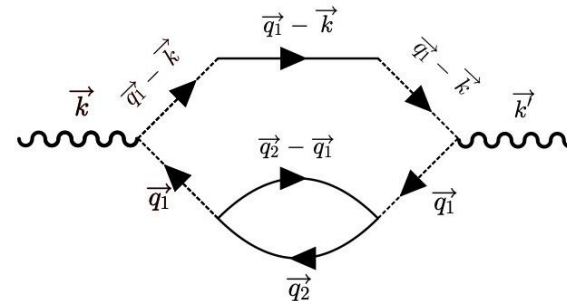
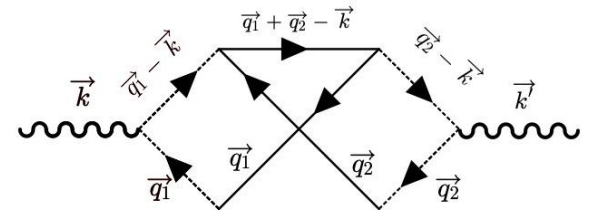
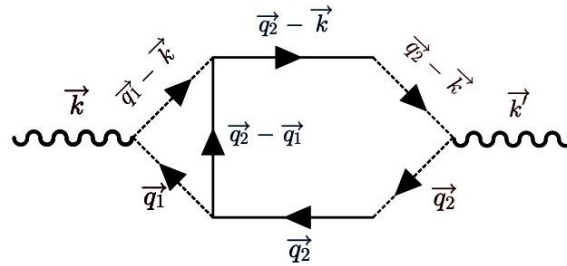
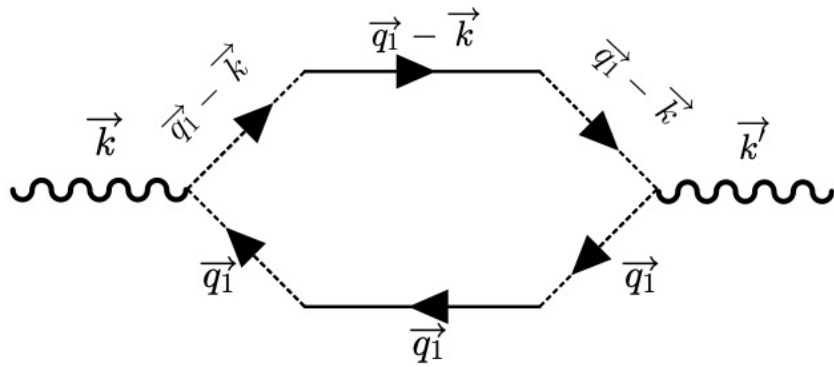
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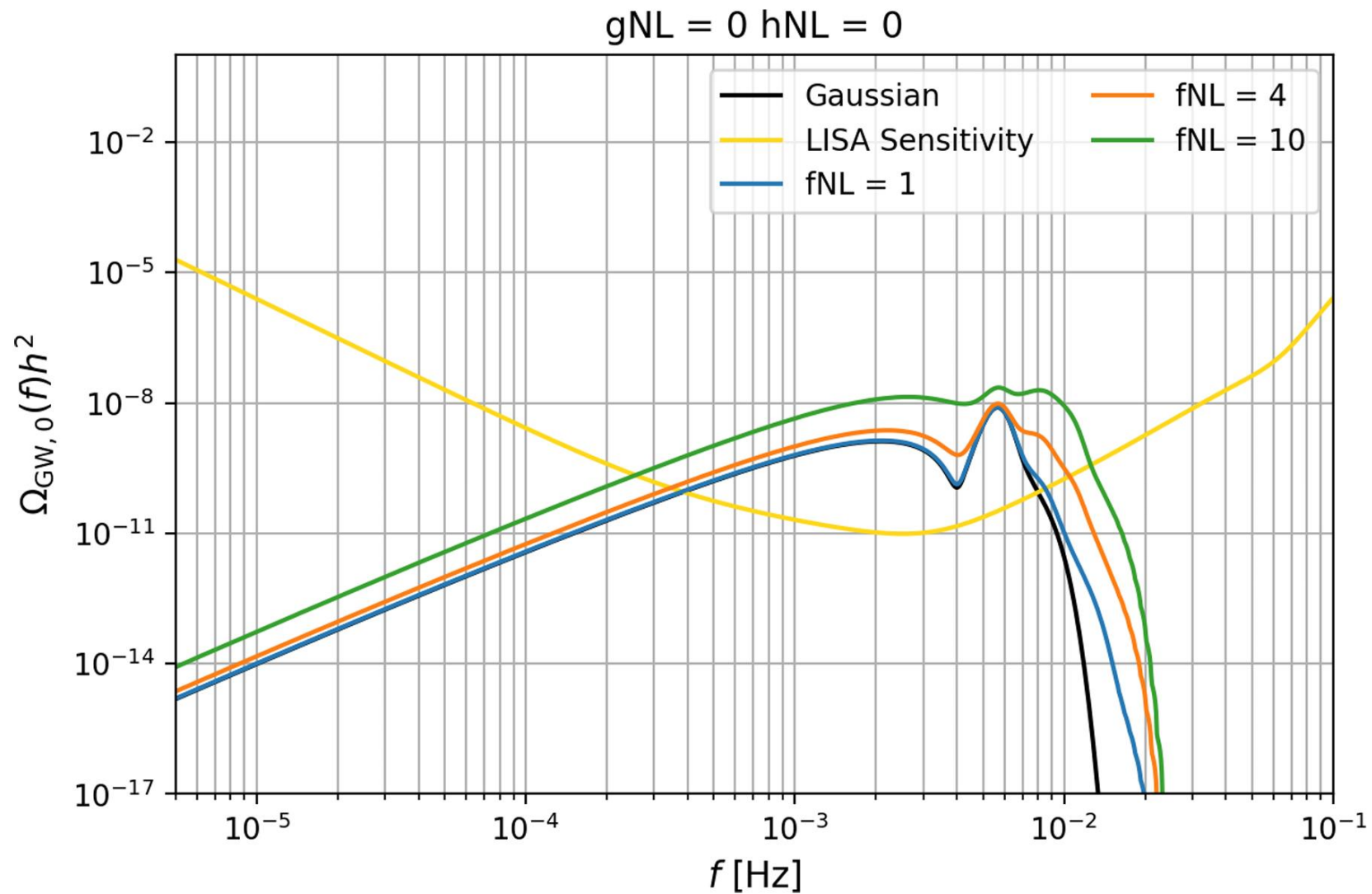


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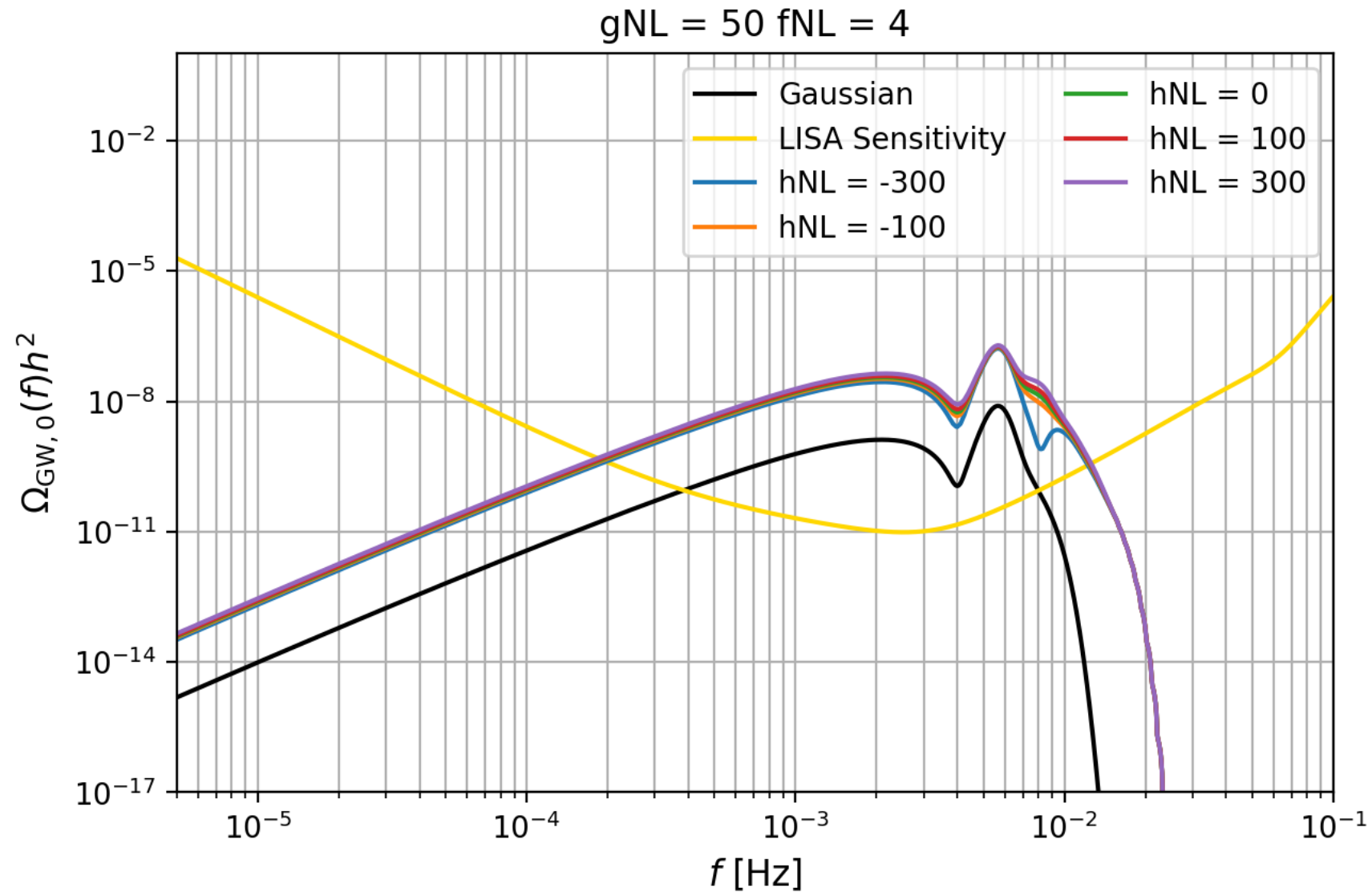
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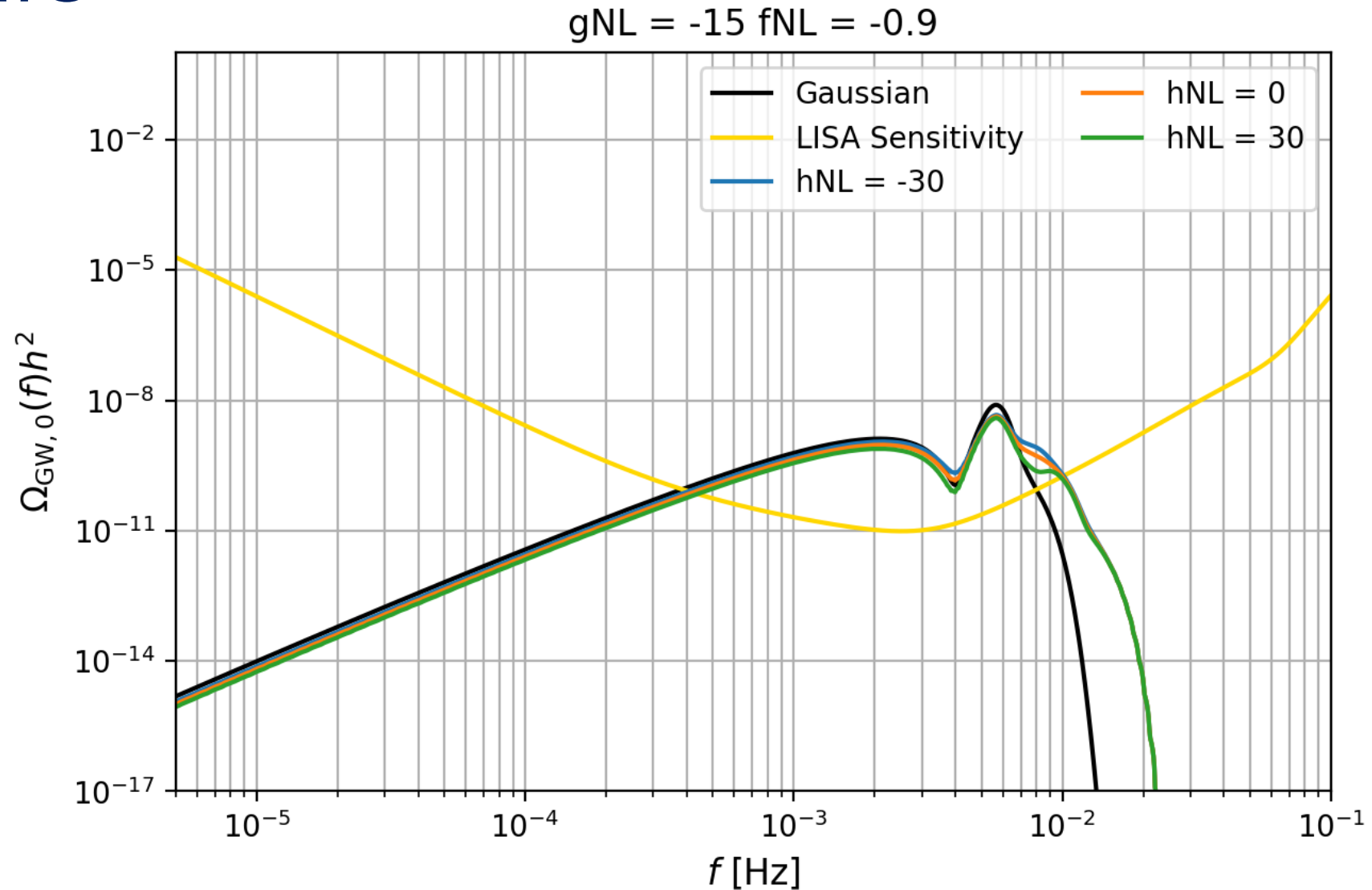
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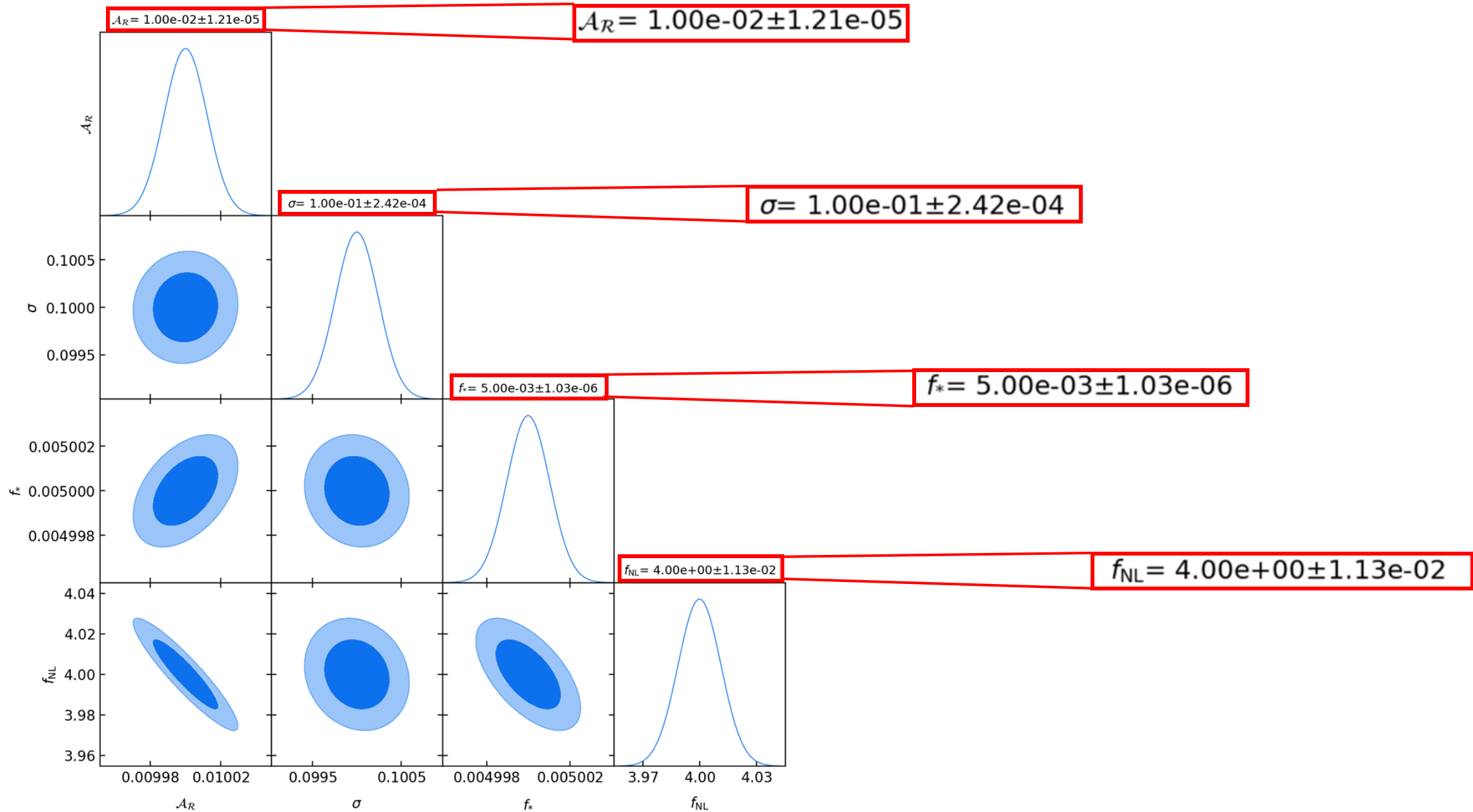


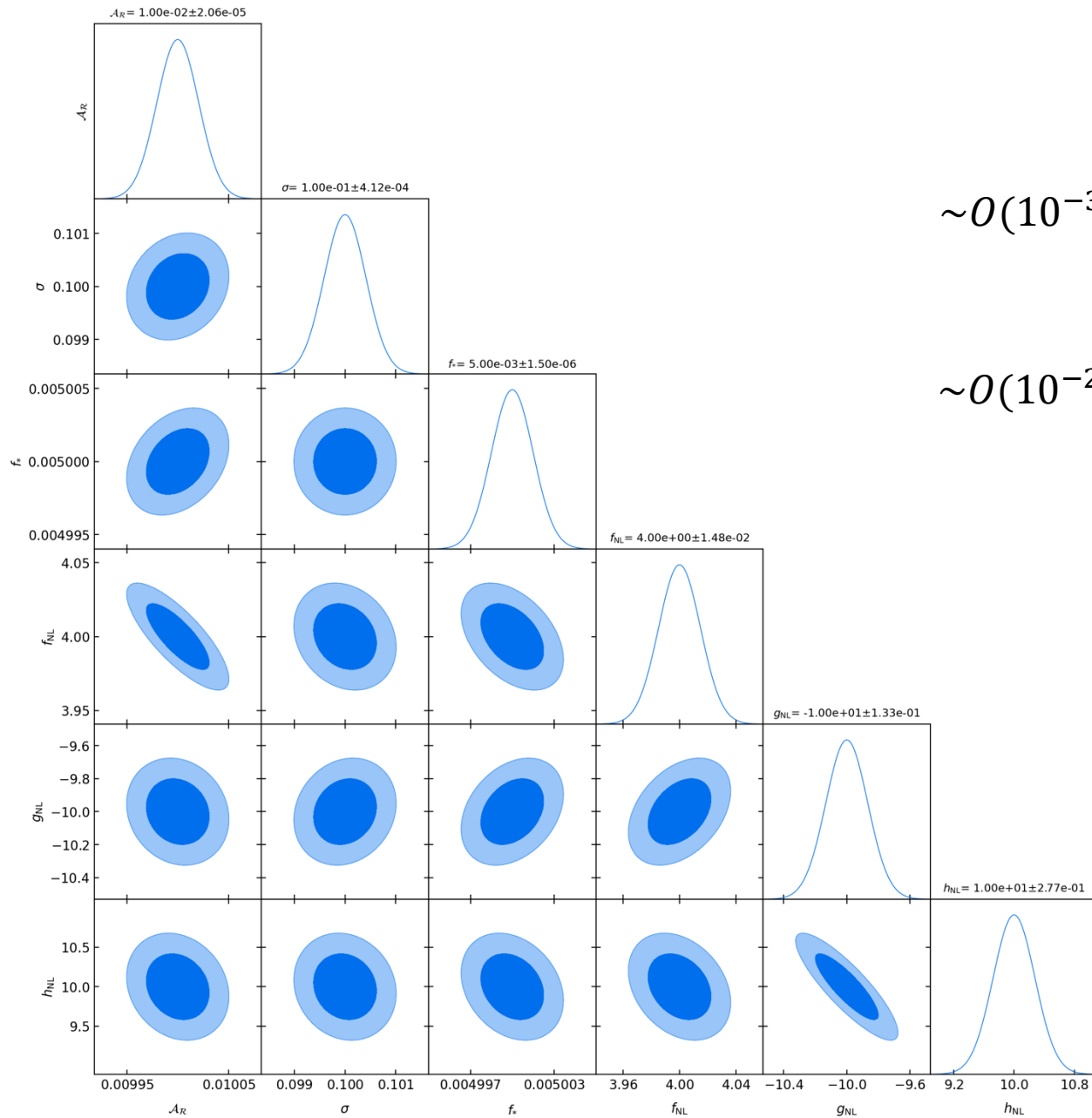
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$\sim O(10^{-3})$

$\sim O(10^{-2})$

$$\mathcal{A}_R = 1.00e-02 \pm 2.06e-05$$

$$\sigma = 1.00e-01 \pm 4.12e-04$$

$$f_* = 5.00e-03 \pm 1.50e-06$$

$$f_{NL} = 4.00e+00 \pm 1.48e-02$$

$$g_{NL} = -1.00e+01 \pm 1.33e-01$$

$$h_{NL} = 1.00e+01 \pm 2.77e-01$$

# CONCLUSIONS

- Constraining primordial non-Gaussianity is fundamental to unveil the dynamics of the early-Universe
- The resulting imprints on the GW anisotropies of the astrophysical background could be important on the largest-scales and in principle detectable by future interferometers.
- On the other hand, the presence of nG could leave specific imprints on the SIGW signal that could be detectable with LISA.
- More in detail LISA could be able to measure both the shape parameters and the nG parameters, with higher order terms able to break degeneracies

Thank you!

