

Metastability, Chaotic Inflation, and Primordial Black Holes

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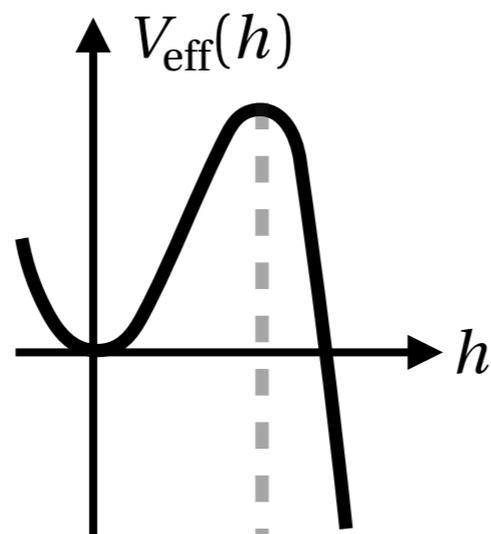
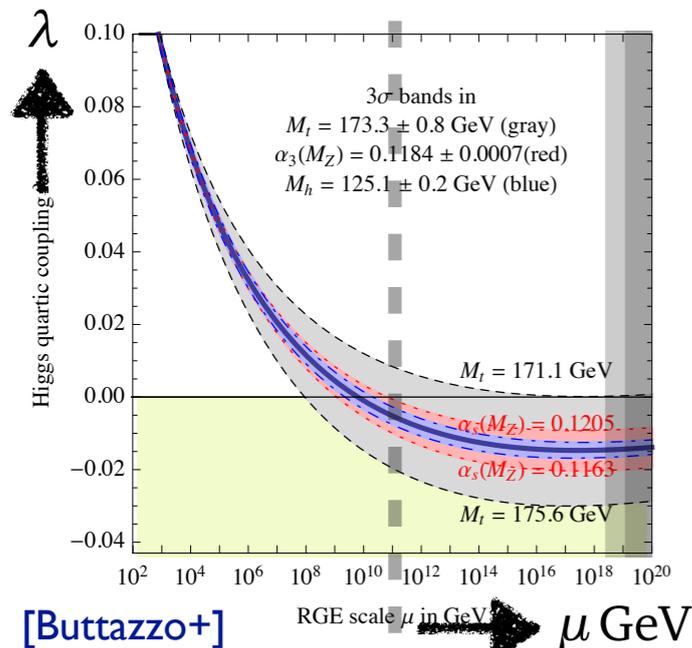


Introduction

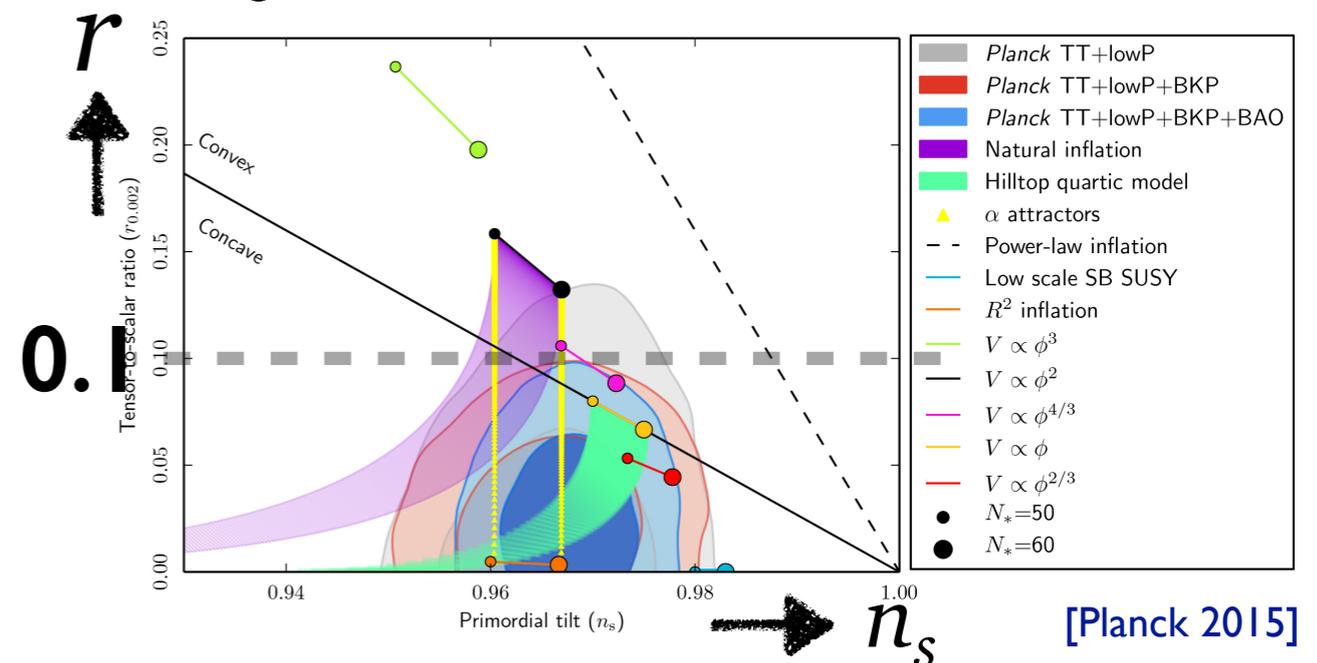
Metastability v.s. Inflation

Metastable Electroweak Vacuum v.s. Chaotic Inflation

- SM valid up to high energy scales
 - Our vacuum: likely to be metastable?
 - $\lambda < 0$ for $\mu > 10^{10}$ GeV @ best-fit of top Yukawa.



- Chaotic Inflation
 - Solve the *initial condition problem*. [See e.g. 1601.01918]
 - Large tensor-to-scalar ratio: r .



$$h_{\max} \sim 10^{10} \text{ GeV} \quad \text{v.s.} \quad H_{\text{inf}} \sim 10^{14} \text{ GeV} \sqrt{\frac{r}{0.1}}$$

© Hawking-Moss transition

- Higgs acquires large fluctuations of

$$T_{\text{GH}} = \frac{H_{\text{inf}}}{2\pi}$$



Severe Tension

$$H_{\text{inf}} \lesssim 10^9 \text{ GeV} \left(\frac{h_{\max}}{10^{10} \text{ GeV}} \right)$$

One order of magnitude severer bound is obtained if you look at e^{3N} patches.

Metastability v.s. Inflation

■ Curvature coupling of Higgs: $\xi R h^2$

- Stabilize the EW vacuum during inflation @ $\xi > \mathcal{O}(0.1)$

$$-\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}(\phi, h) = \frac{1}{2} \xi R h^2$$

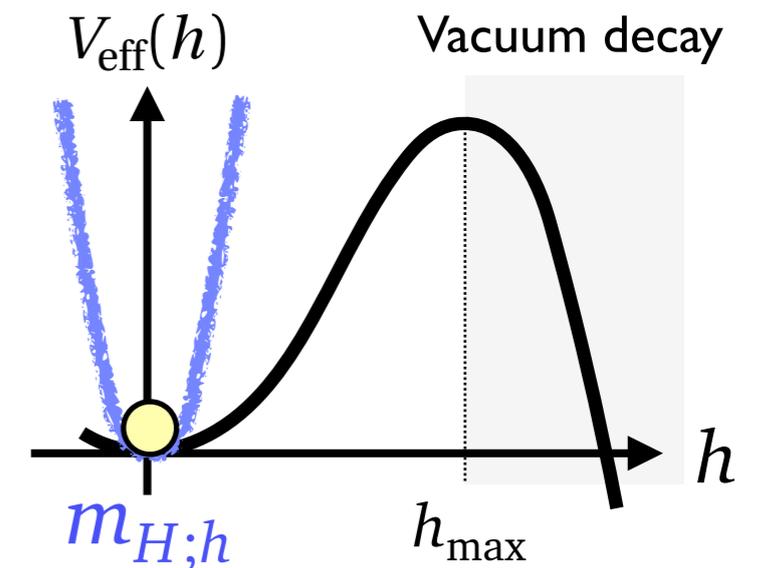


during inflation

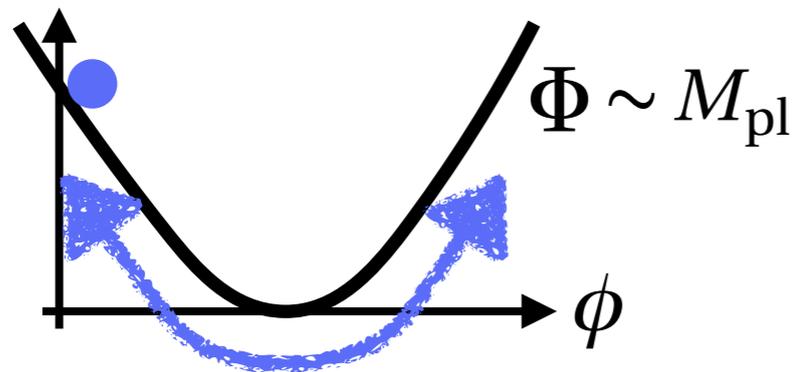
$$m_{H;h}^2 = 12\xi H_{\text{inf}}^2$$

stabilized for

$$\gtrsim H_{\text{inf}}^2$$



- However, the “tachyonic resonance” can destabilize it afterwards!



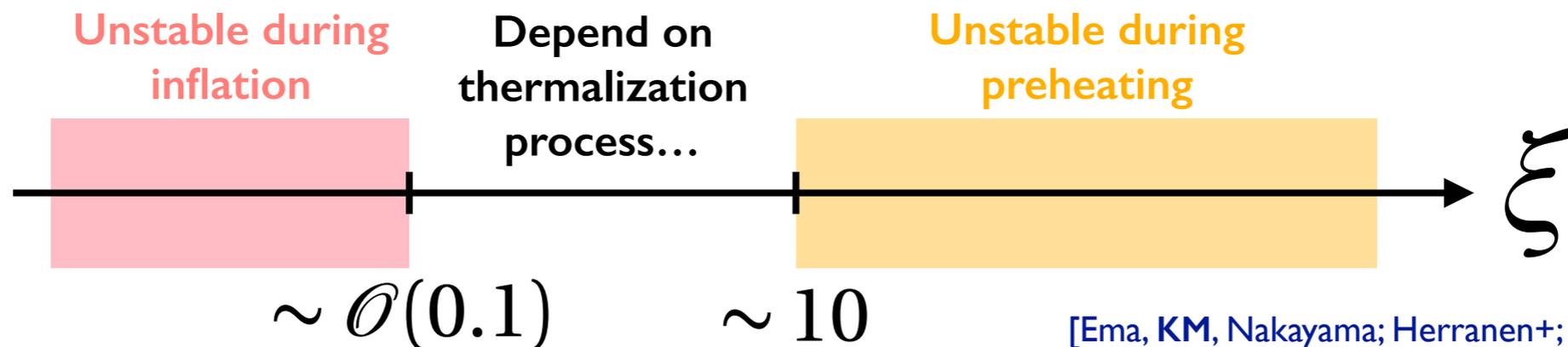
- Oscillating mass term

$$R = \frac{1}{M_{\text{pl}}^2} [4V(\phi) - \dot{\phi}^2]$$



Tachyonic Resonance

$$q \sim \frac{\xi \Phi^2}{M_{\text{pl}}^2} \gtrsim 1$$



[Ema, KM, Nakayama; Herranen+; (cf.) Zatta's talk]

Motivation

- Is there any interesting scenario that is consistent with the **metastable electroweak vacuum** and **chaotic inflation**?

Requirements:

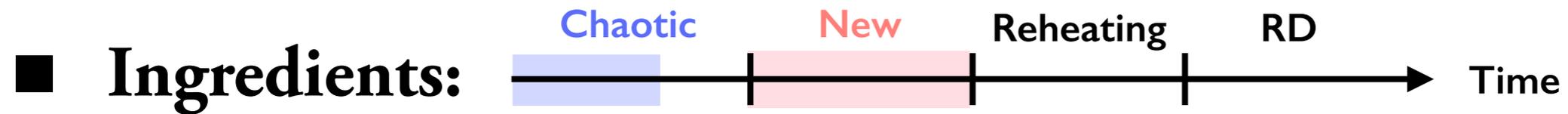
- EW vacuum should be stabilized during the course of cosmological evolution.
- A candidate of **DM** is provided.
- **BAU** can be explained.

- We have proposed a **simple scenario** in which

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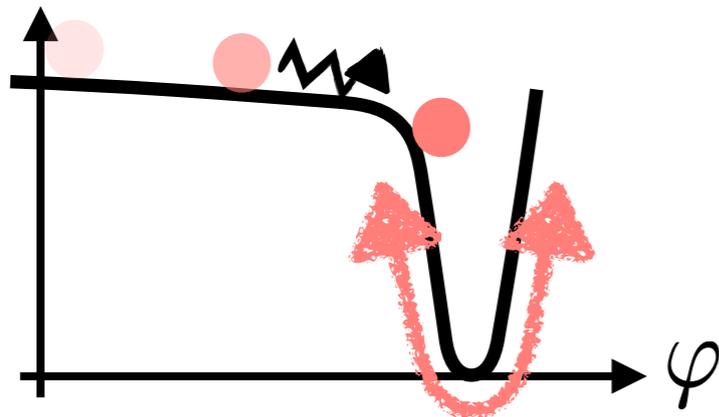
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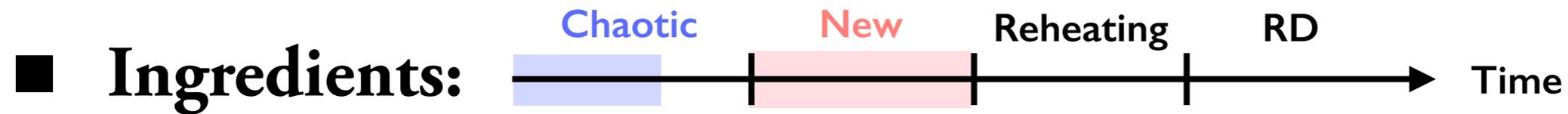
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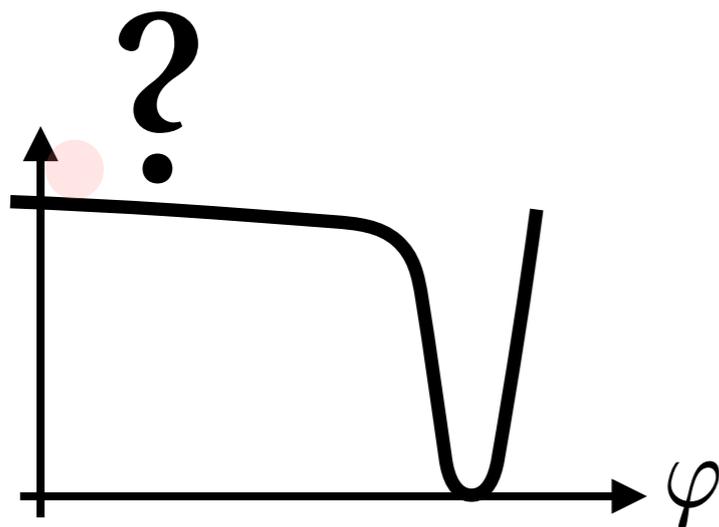
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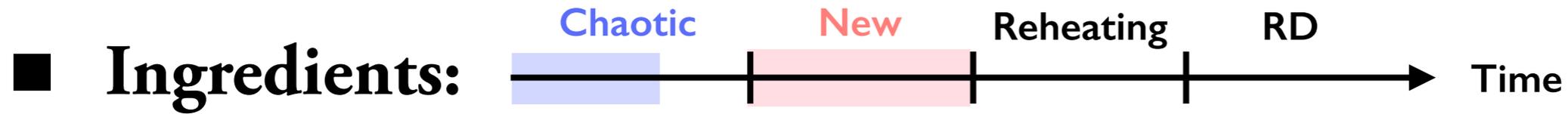
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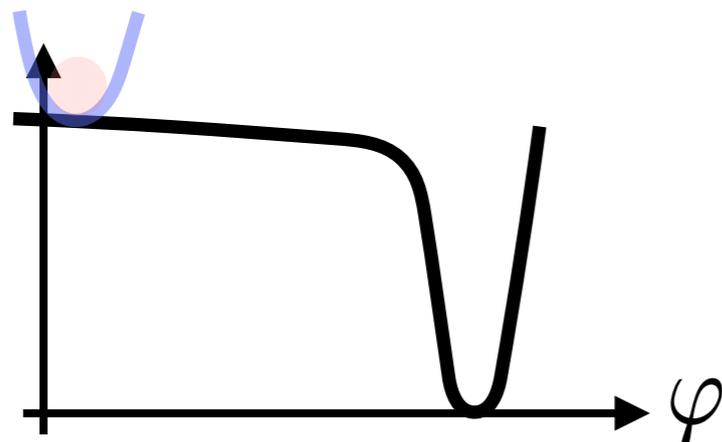
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➔ **Chaotic inflaton** can provide a dynamical reason why **new inflaton** had such a specific value initially.



e.g. $-\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = c^2 \phi^2 \varphi^2$

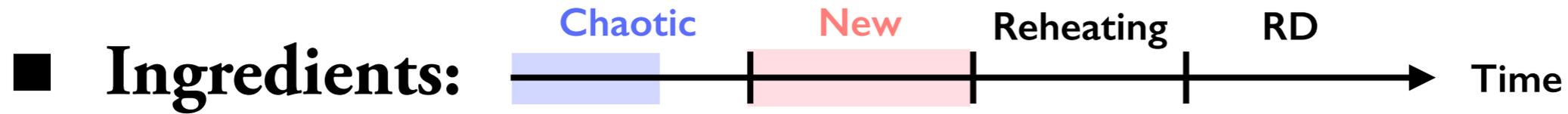
$m_\varphi^2 \sim c^2 \Phi^2$

New inflation starts @ $m_\varphi \sim H_{\text{new}}$

(c.f.) another solution: tunneling via CDL instanton → open Universe

[Izawa, Kawasaki, Yanagida]

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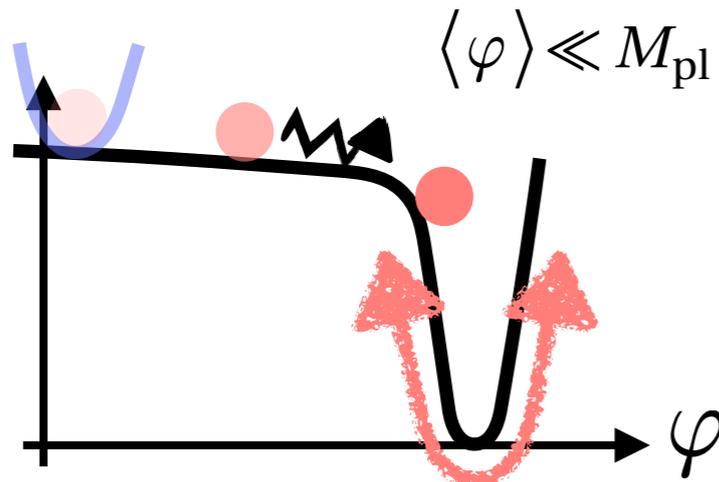
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- ⊙ **(i) Free from the resonance**

- Flat potential → small amplitude



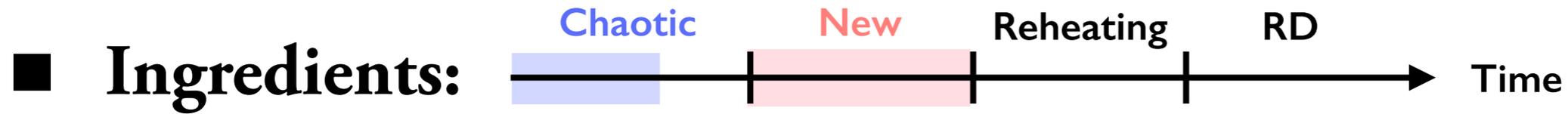
No Resonance!

$$q \sim \frac{\xi \langle \varphi \rangle^2}{M_{pl}^2} \lll 1$$

One requirement: $H_{new} \sim H_{ch}$

→ High T_R (good for leptogenesis)

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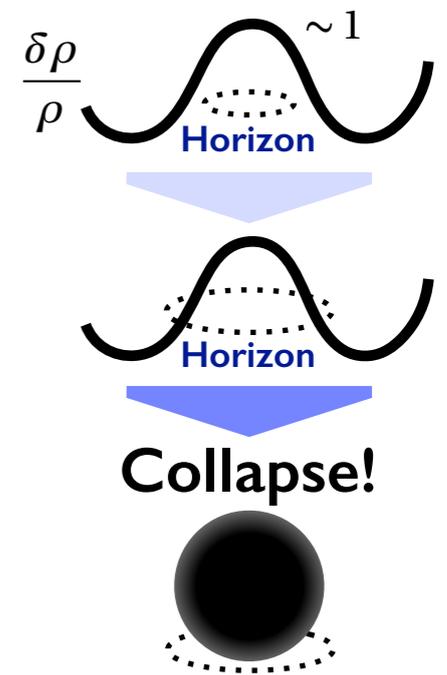
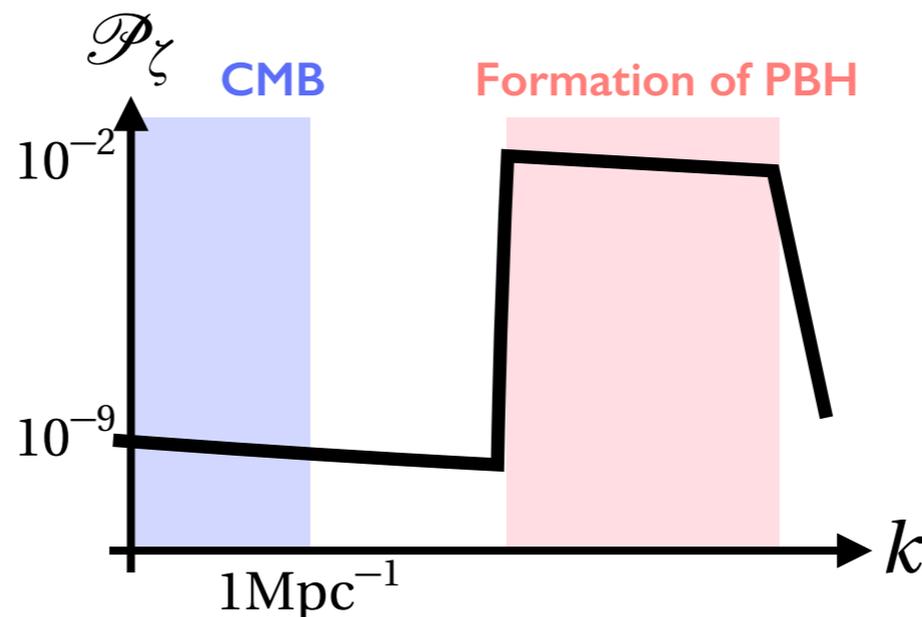
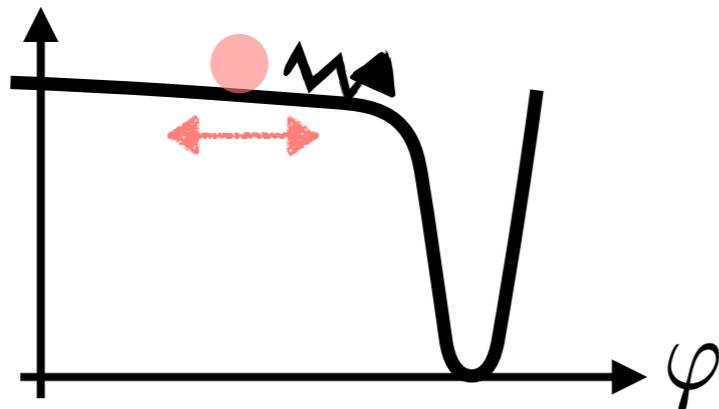
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◎ (ii) **Formation of PBHs by large scalar perturbations ζ of new inflation**

- Flat potential \rightarrow large ζ

$$\mathcal{P}_\zeta \sim \langle \zeta \zeta \rangle; \quad \zeta \sim \frac{\delta\rho}{\rho}$$



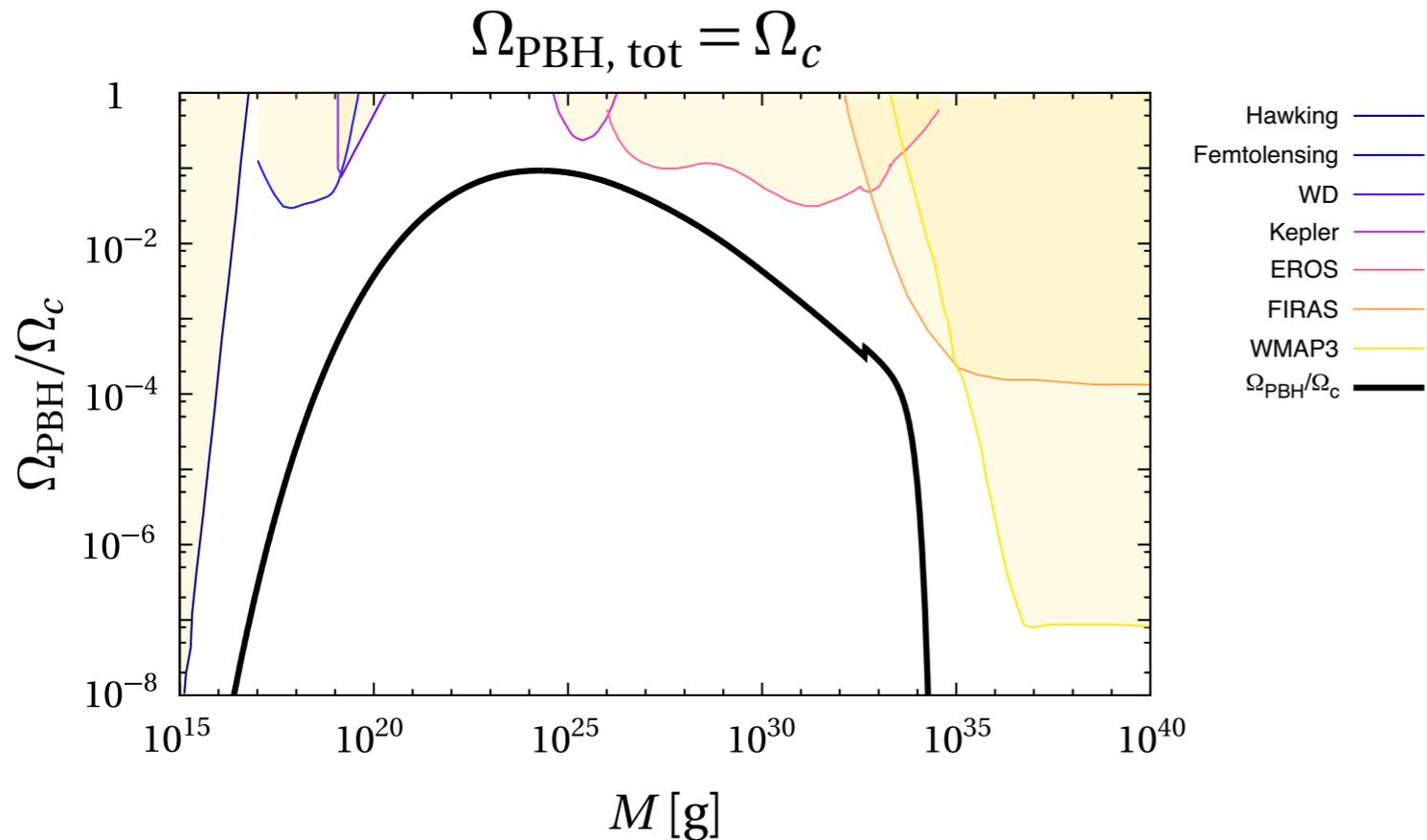
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- New inflation potential:

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- Abundance of PBHs for one particular parameter of the new inflation potential



* Constraints from Neutron Star capture are evaded for a conservative value of DM inside the globular clusters. [See e.g. Kusenko+, 1310.8642; Carr+, 1607.06077]

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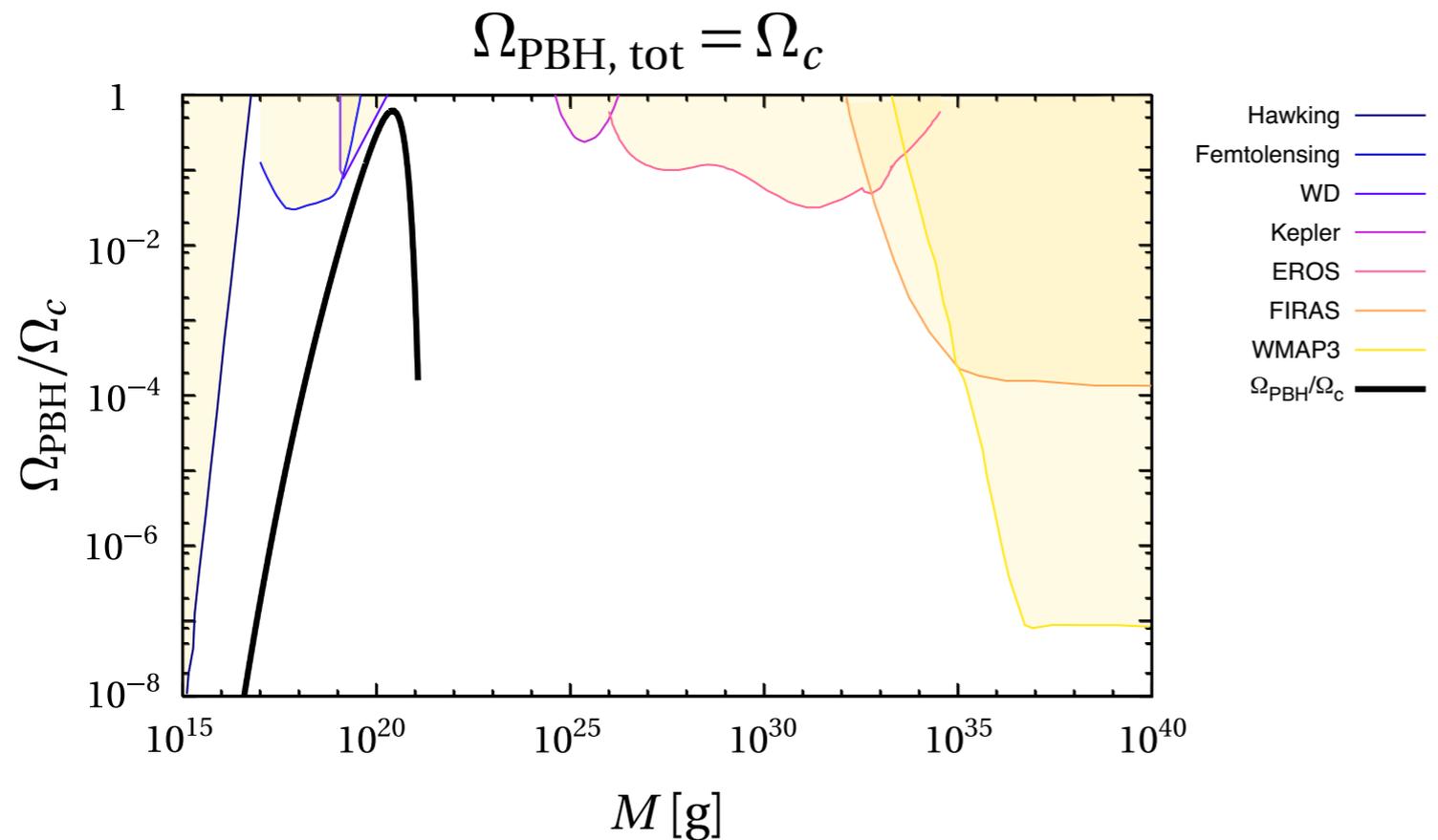
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[M.Kawasaki, KM, T.T, Yanagida, [1605.04974](#), [PhysRevD.94.063509](#)]
- **Gravitational waves** via second order effects of large scalar perturbations can be an interesting probe. [Saito, Yokoyama; Bugaev, Klimai]

Back up

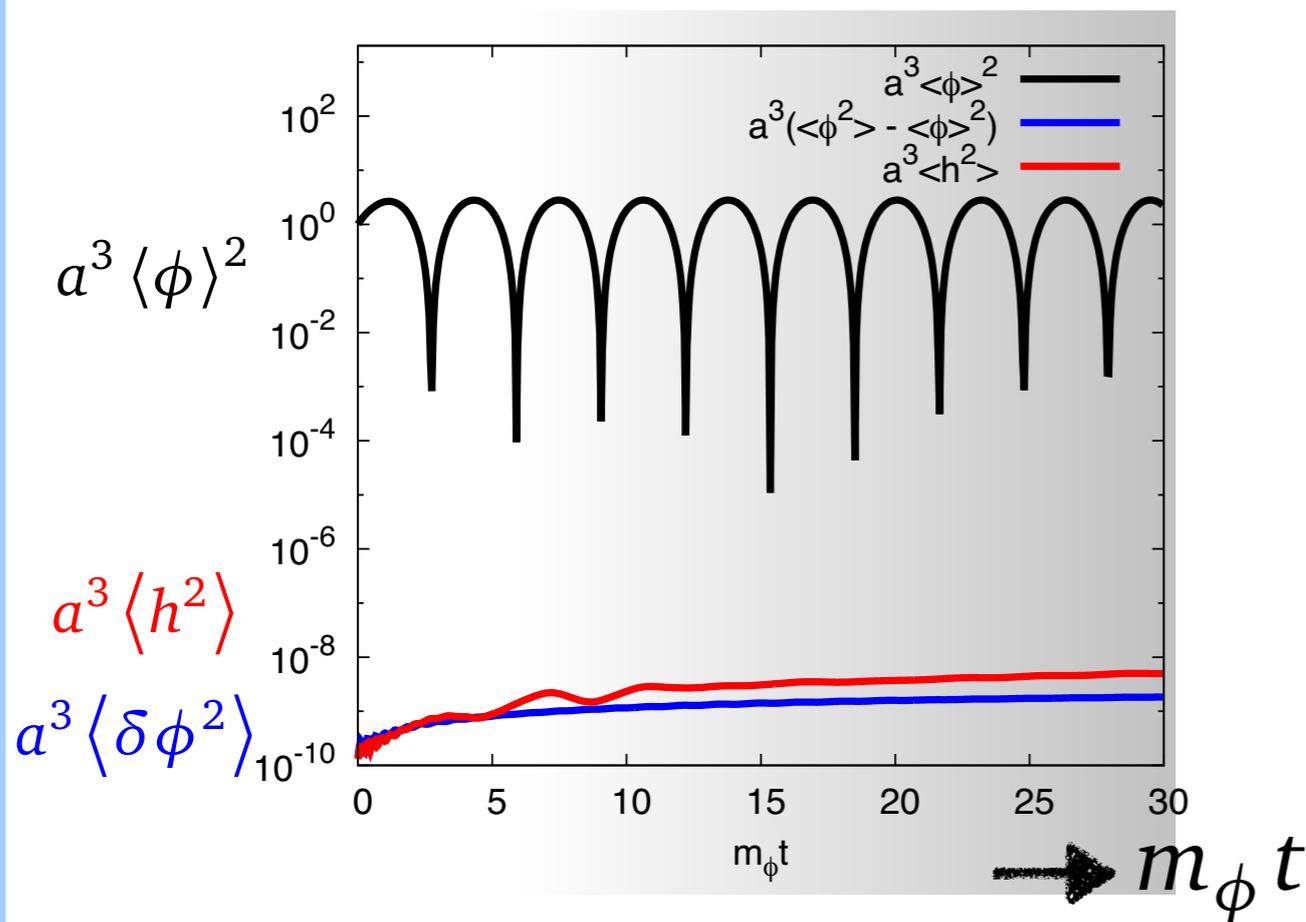
Numerical Simulation

[Ema, KM, Nakayama, [1602.00483](#)]

■ Vacuum decay via Tachyonic Resonance: $-\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}(\phi, h) = \frac{1}{2} \xi R h^2$

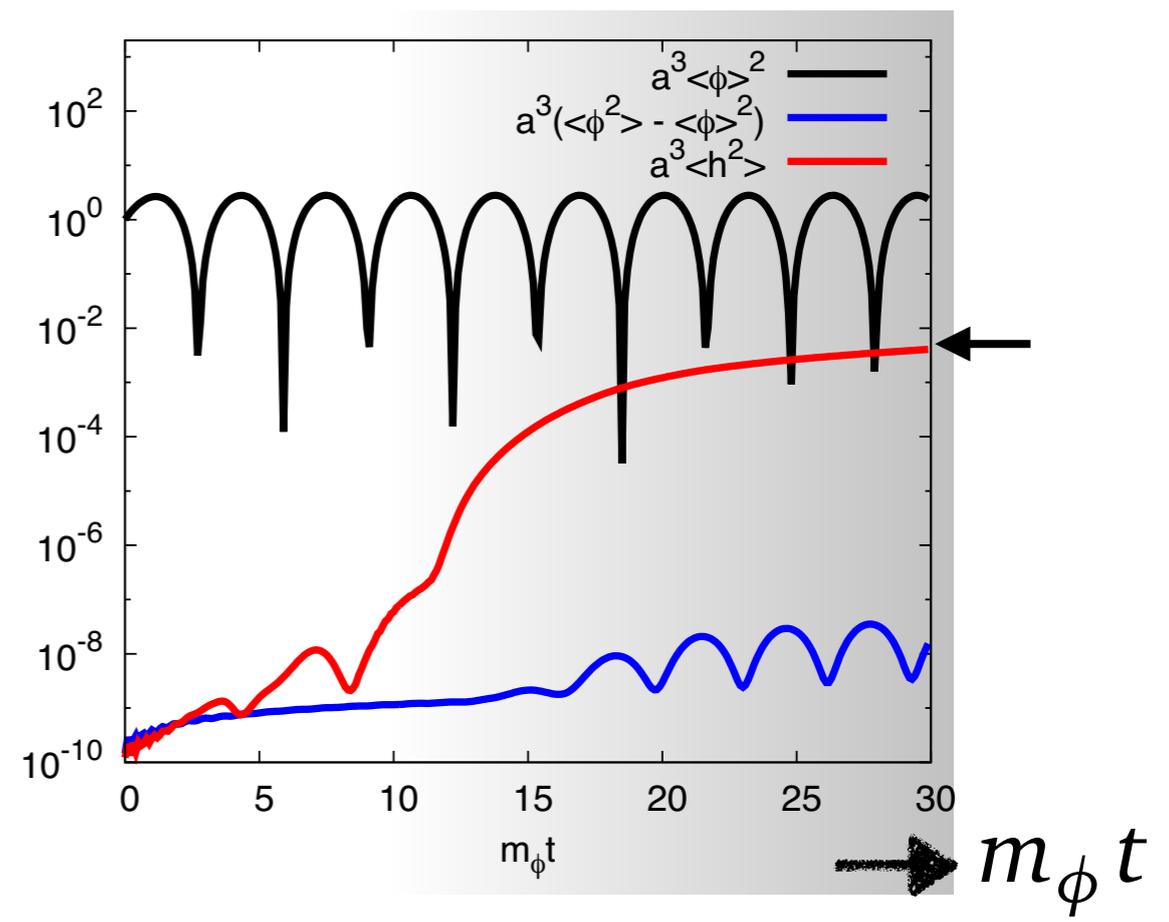
- To check $\xi \lesssim 10 \times \left[\frac{1}{\mu_{\text{crv}}} \right]^2 \left[\frac{\sqrt{2} M_{\text{pl}}}{\Phi_{\text{ini}}} \right]^2$, we performed a classical lattice simulation.

- Stable: $\xi = 10$



Resonance is over:
 $p^* < m_\phi$

- Unstable: $\xi = 20$



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Gravitational Wave

■ GWs are produced via second order effects

[Saito, Yokoyama; Bugaev, Klimai]

- Perturbed metric:

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

Scalar perturbs: $\Psi = \Phi$ (neglect anisotropic stress)

Tensor perturb

- Large scalar perturbations act as a source term in equation of motion for GWs.

$$h''_{ij} + 2\mathcal{H} h'_{ij} - \nabla^2 h_{ij} = -4 \hat{\mathcal{T}}_{ij;kl} S_{kl}$$

projection to transverse-traceless part

$$\text{Source term: } S_{ij} \equiv 4\Psi \partial_i \partial_j \Psi + 2\partial_i \Psi \partial_j \Psi - \frac{4}{3(1+w)} \partial_i \left(\frac{\Psi'}{\mathcal{H}} + \Psi \right) \partial_j \left(\frac{\Psi'}{\mathcal{H}} + \Psi \right)$$

- Abundance of GWs is roughly given by...

$$\Omega_{\text{GW}}(k) \sim 3 \times 10^{-8} \left(\frac{\mathcal{P}_\zeta(k)}{0.01} \right)^2$$