

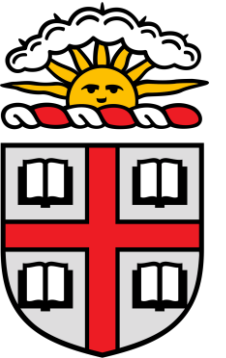
HYBRID COSMOLOGICAL COLLIDER OF (ISO)CURVATURE

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with X. Chen & J. Fan

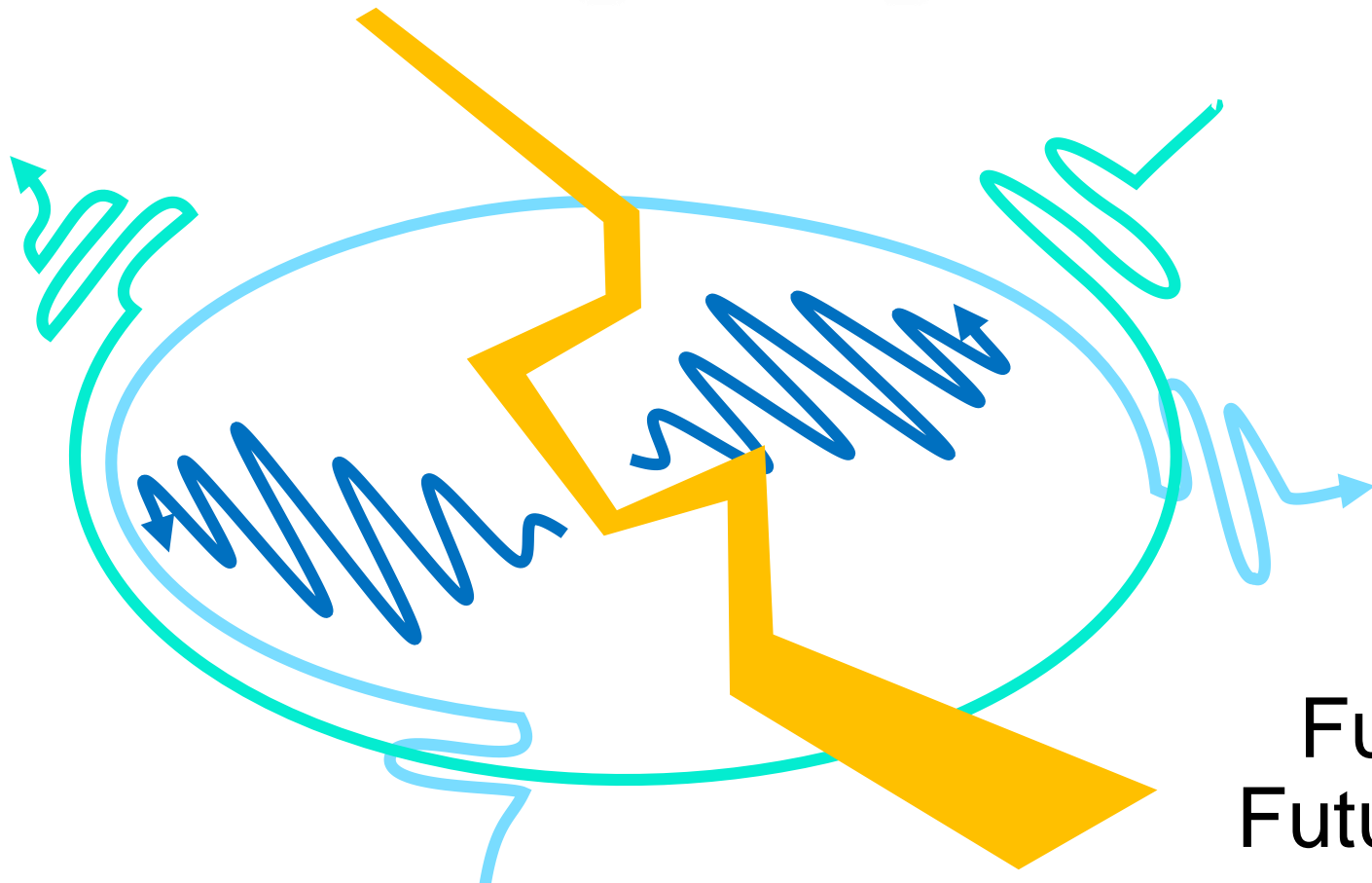
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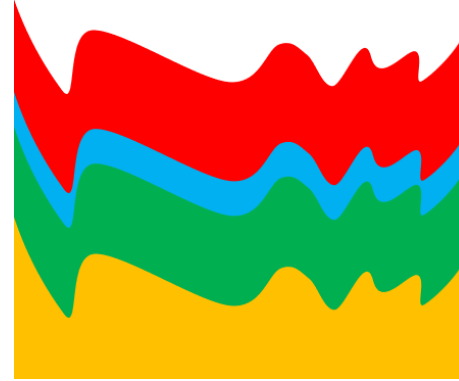
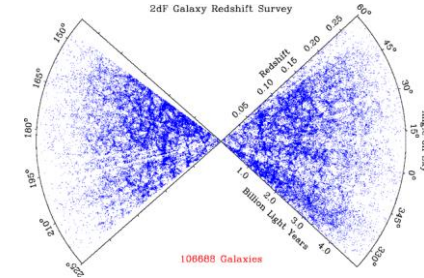
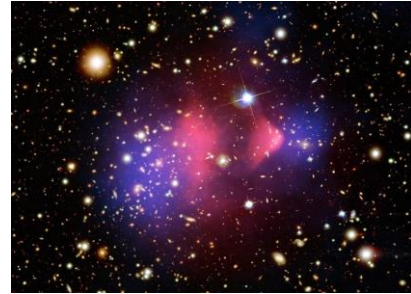
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Fundamental Physics from
Future Spectroscopic Surveys



DM and DM Isocurvature



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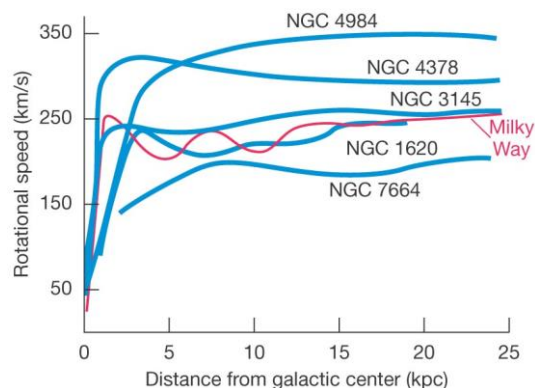
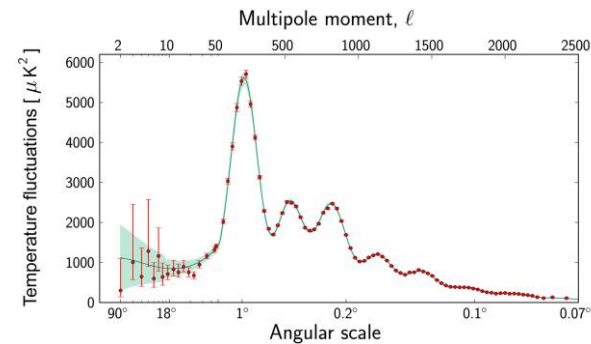
Dark Matter Photon Neutrino Baryons

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Strong constraints at large CMB scales (<4% of curvature), not as strong at smaller scales

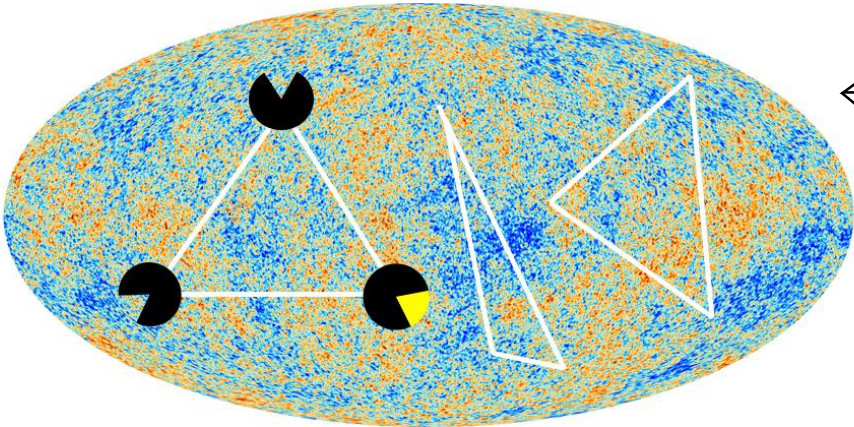
Planck collaboration, 2018
See P. Graham's talk



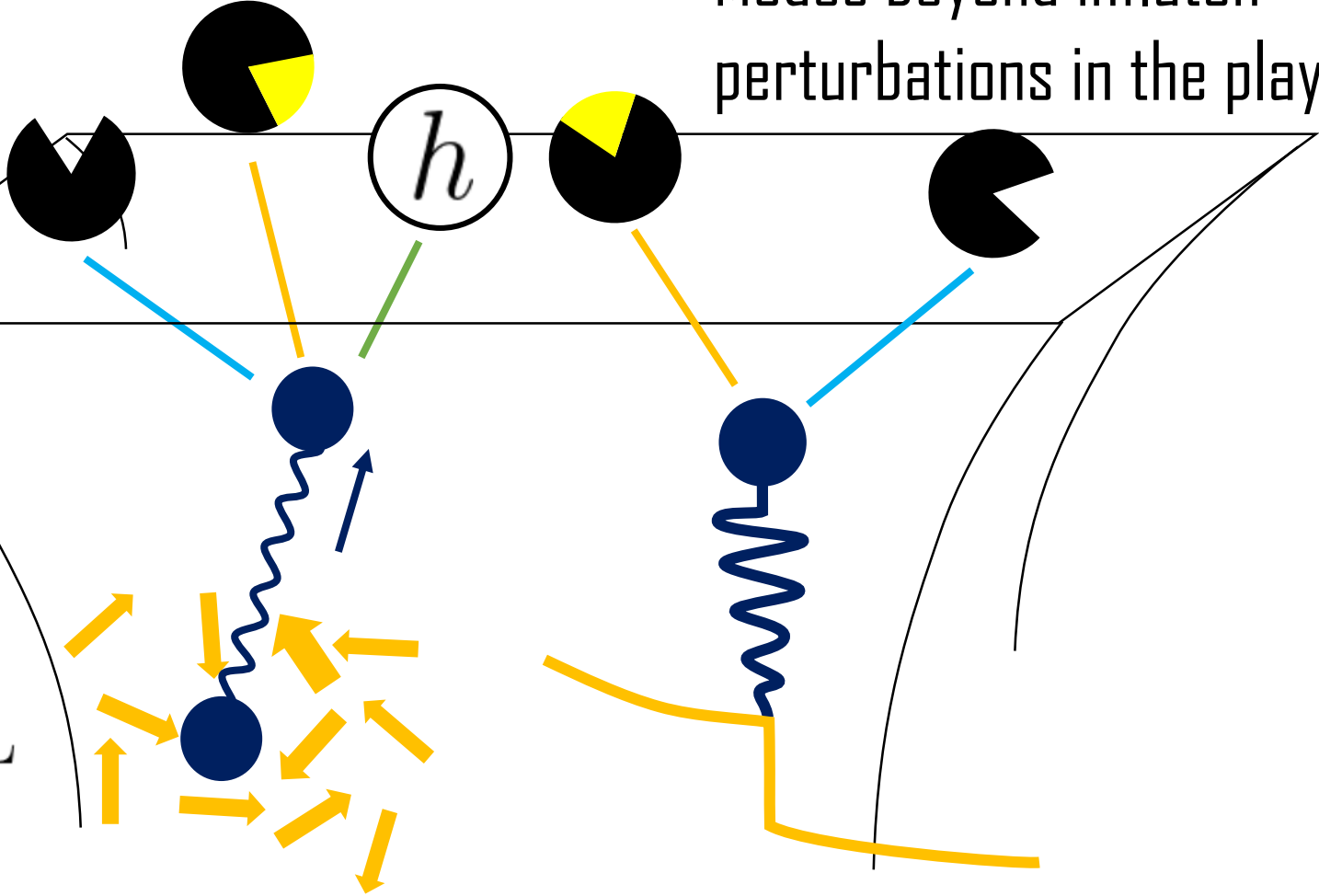
A Hybrid Cosmological Collider

X. Chen, Y. Wang, 2009;
Arkani-Hamed, Maldacena,
2015

Modes beyond inflaton
perturbations in the play



$$\langle \delta\phi(\mathbf{k}_1)\delta\phi(\mathbf{k}_2)\delta\phi(\mathbf{k}_3) \rangle \propto f_{\text{NL}}$$
$$f_{\text{NL}} \sim \left(\frac{k_{\text{decay}}}{k_{\text{prod}}} \right)^{im/H}$$



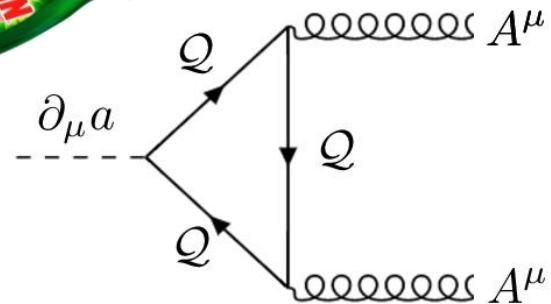
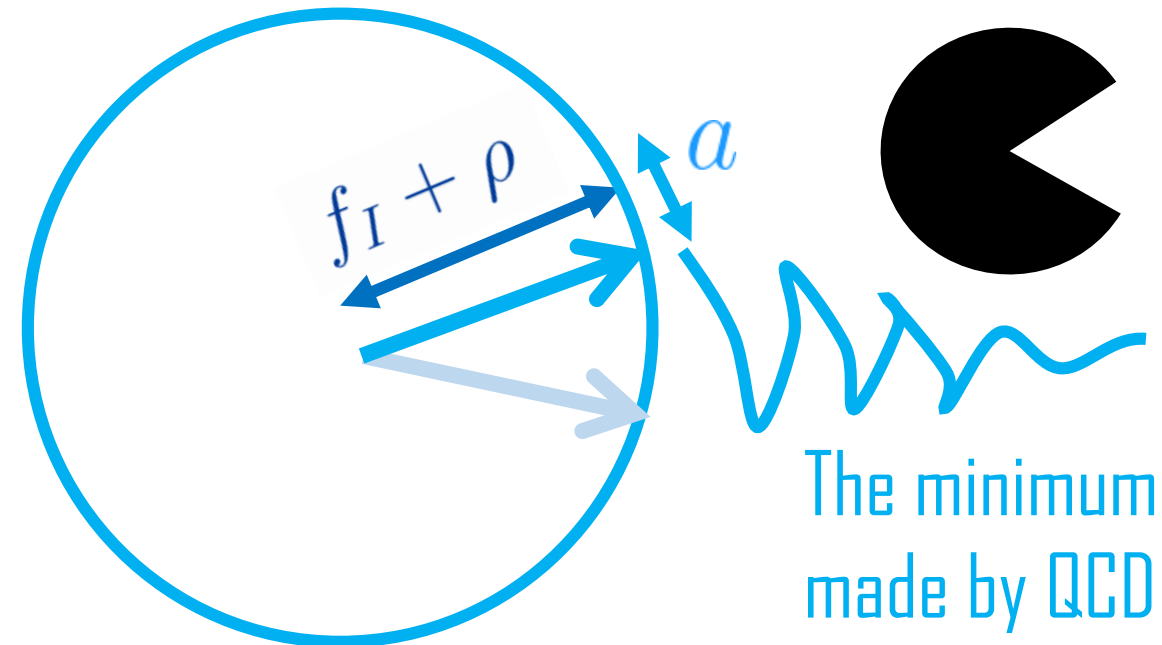
See A. Joyce's talk

Testing physics principles/symmetries during inflation

Isocurvature from Axion(like) DM

- ❑ Spontaneous symmetry breaking during inflation: massless goldstone boson & the unbroke global symmetry
- ❑ Global symmetry broken only in the late universe, creating non-relativistic particle in coherent oscillations (misalignment mechanism)
- ❑ CDM isocurvature from the goldstone mode fluctuations.

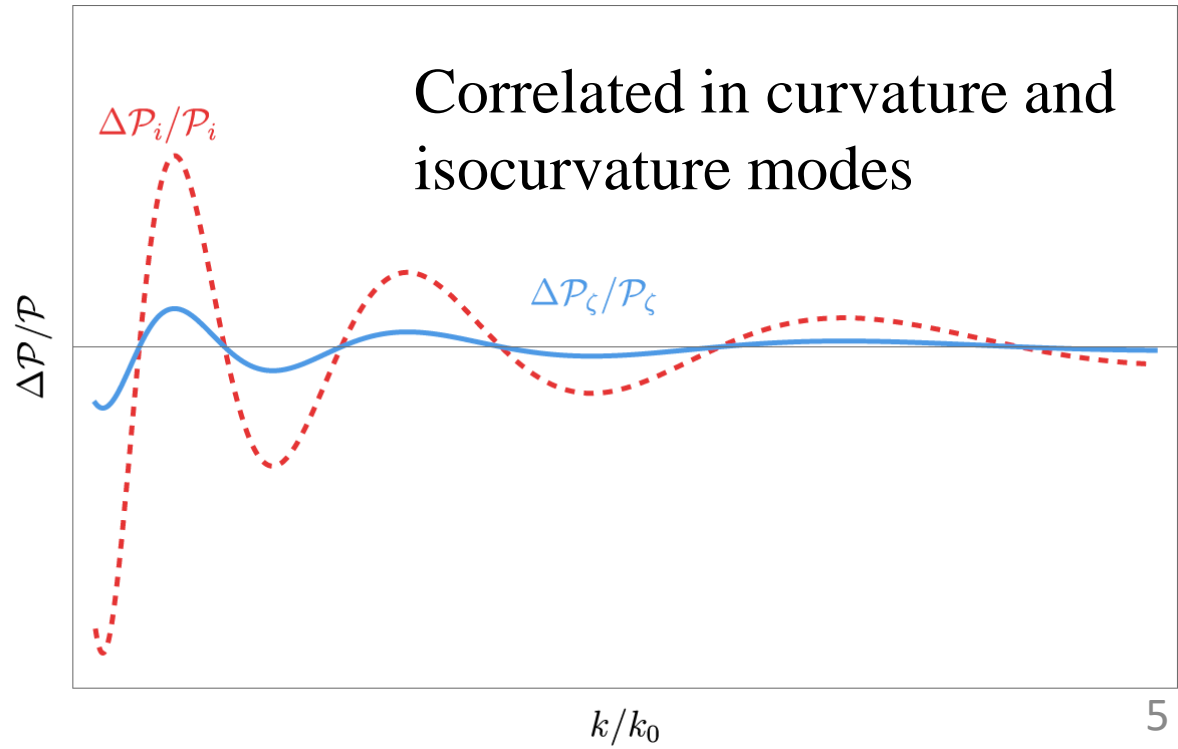
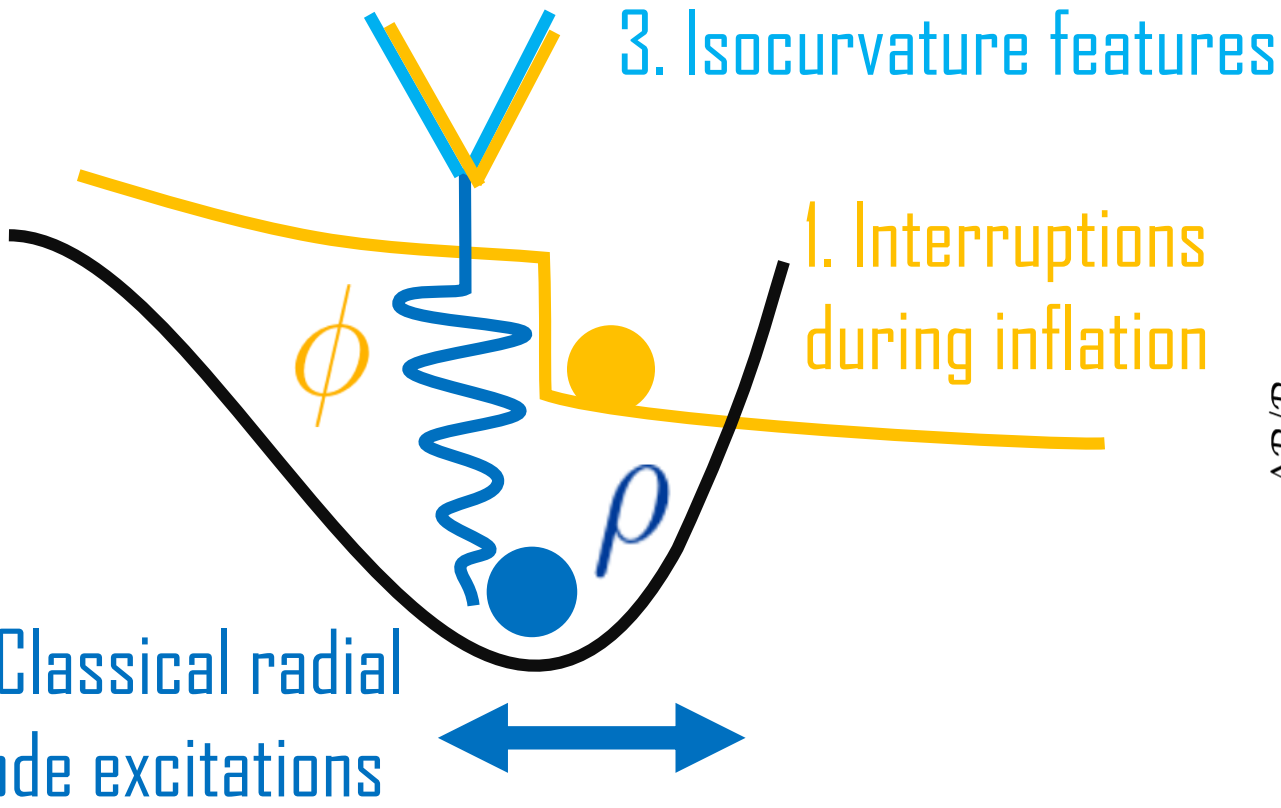
The U(1) example: axion and ALP



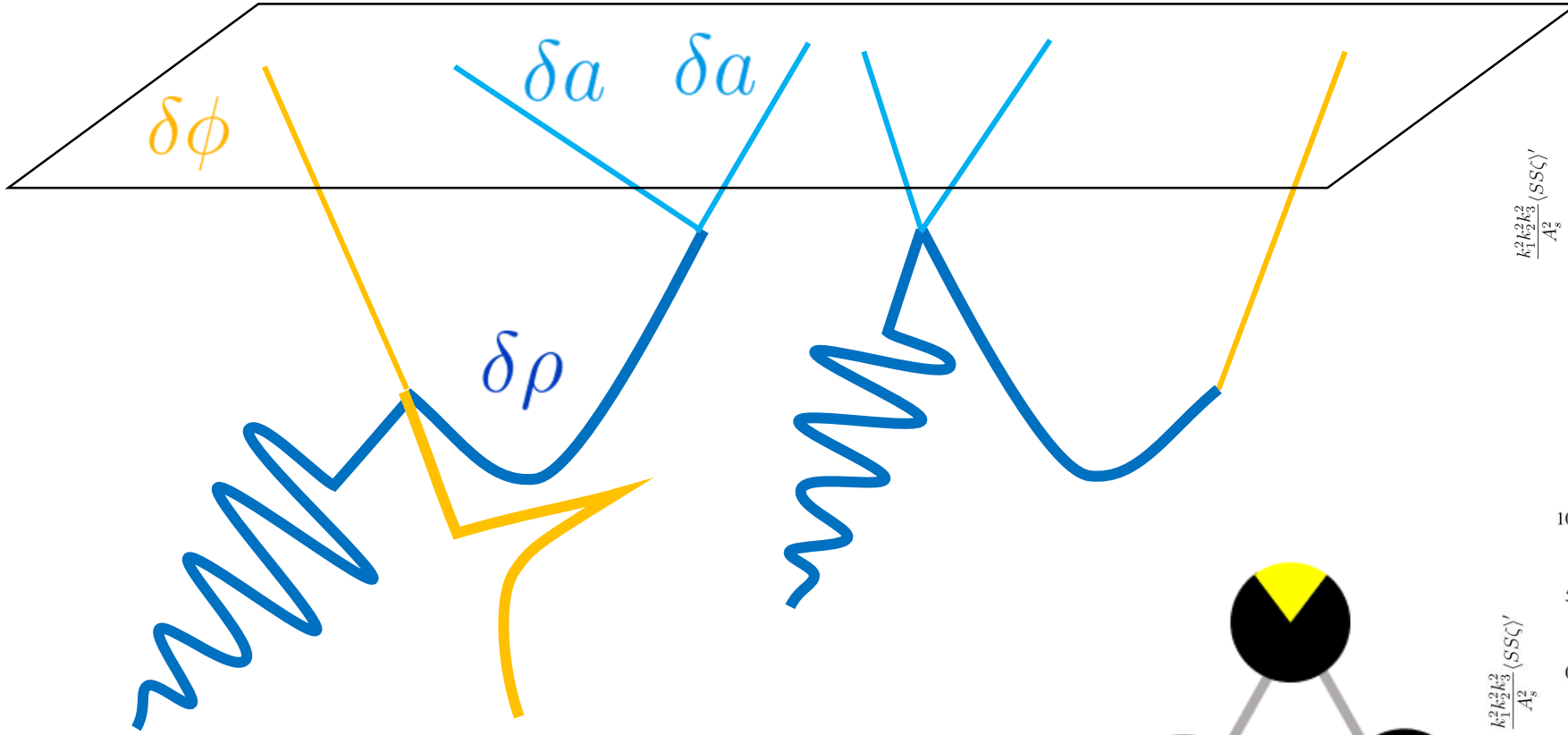
Peccei, Quinn; Weinberg;
Wilczek; Kim; Shifman,
Vainshtein, Zakharov;
Zhitnitsky; Dine, Fischler,
Srednicki, 1977-1981

Scenario 1: Primordial Feature

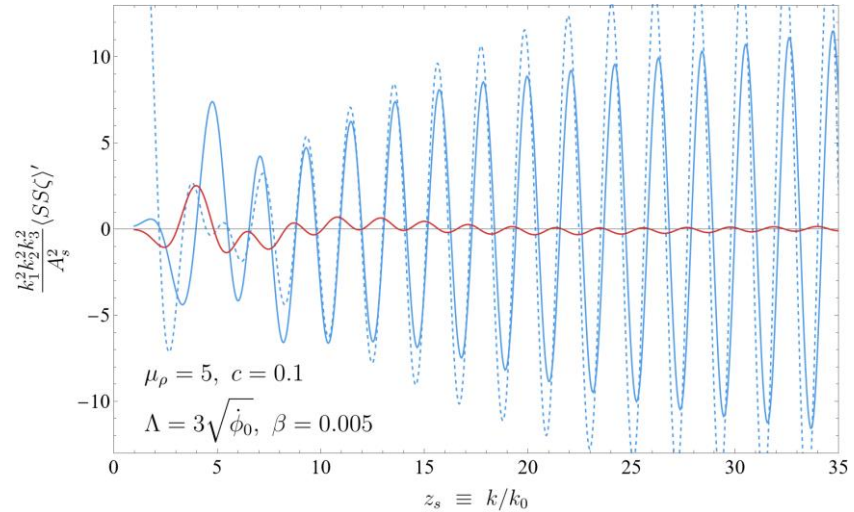
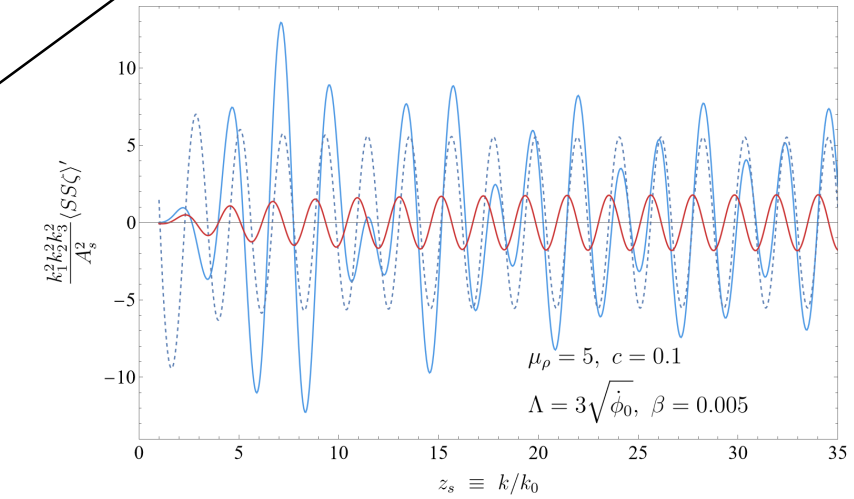
Inflaton - PQ interaction $\frac{c}{\Lambda^2} (\partial\phi)^2 |\chi|^2 \implies \mathcal{L}_1^{(2)} \supset \frac{cf_I^2}{\Lambda^2} \frac{\rho_{\text{bkg}}}{f_I} \left((\delta\dot{\phi})^2 - \frac{1}{R^2} (\partial_i \delta\phi)^2 \right) + \frac{\rho_{\text{bkg}}}{f_I} \left((\delta\dot{a})^2 - \frac{1}{R^2} (\partial_i \delta a)^2 \right)$



Hybrid Three Point Correlator



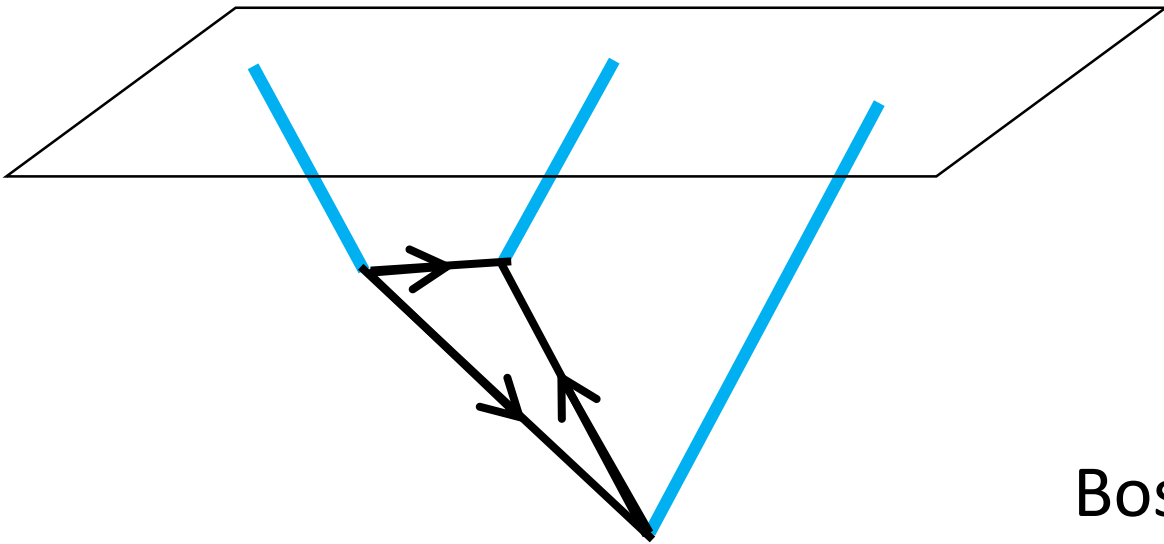
Double-isocurvature hybrid pattern due to the unbroken Z_2 symmetry



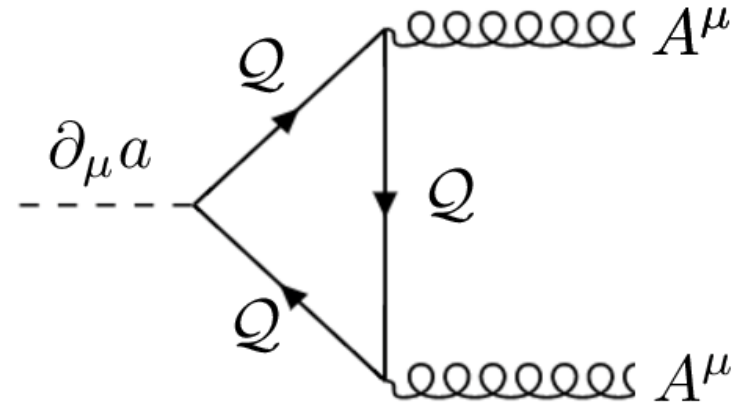
Scenario 2: Fermion Loops

Heavy fermions are common in axion theories, e.g. KSVZ axion

$$\frac{\partial_\mu a}{2f_I} \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \psi$$



Introduces non-trivial
isocurvature bispectrum



Boson loop is also an option:

S. Lu, 2021; X. Niu, M. H. Rahat, K. Sirinivasan, W. Xue 2022

Mixture and Chemical Potential

Inflaton - J_{PQ}
interaction

$$i \frac{\kappa \partial_\mu \phi}{\Lambda} (\chi^\dagger \partial^\mu \chi - \chi \partial^\mu \chi^\dagger)$$

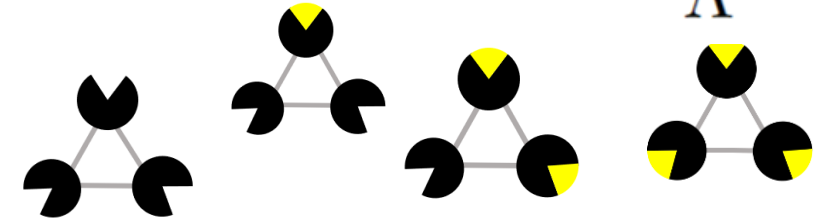
Axion & inflaton kinetic mixing

$$\tilde{\rho} = \rho, \quad \tilde{a} = a - z\phi, \quad z \equiv \frac{\kappa f_I}{\Lambda}$$

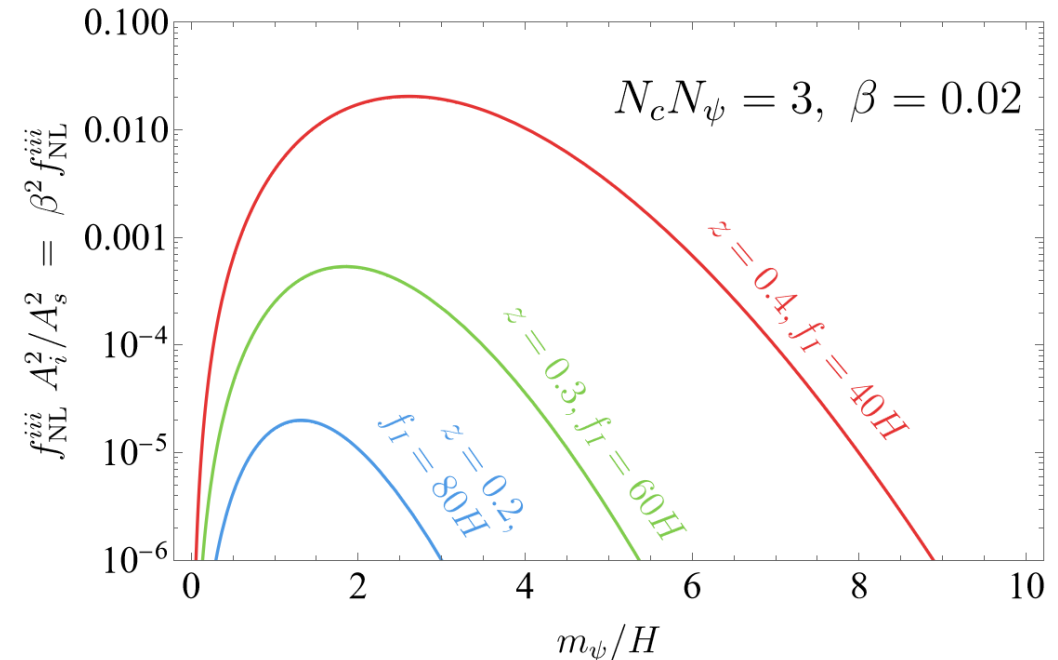
$$\frac{\partial_\mu \tilde{a} + z \partial_\mu \phi}{2f_I} \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \psi$$

$\partial_\mu \tilde{a}$ or $\partial_\mu \phi$

Getting all kinds of hybrid correlators



Large chemical potential
also enhances the signal



X. Chen, Y. Wang, and Z.-Z. Xianyu, *Engineering T1 Hybrid Cosmological Collider of A. Bodas, S. Kumar, R. Sundrum 2020; C. M. Sou, (iso) curvature* 2303.03406

What's Next?

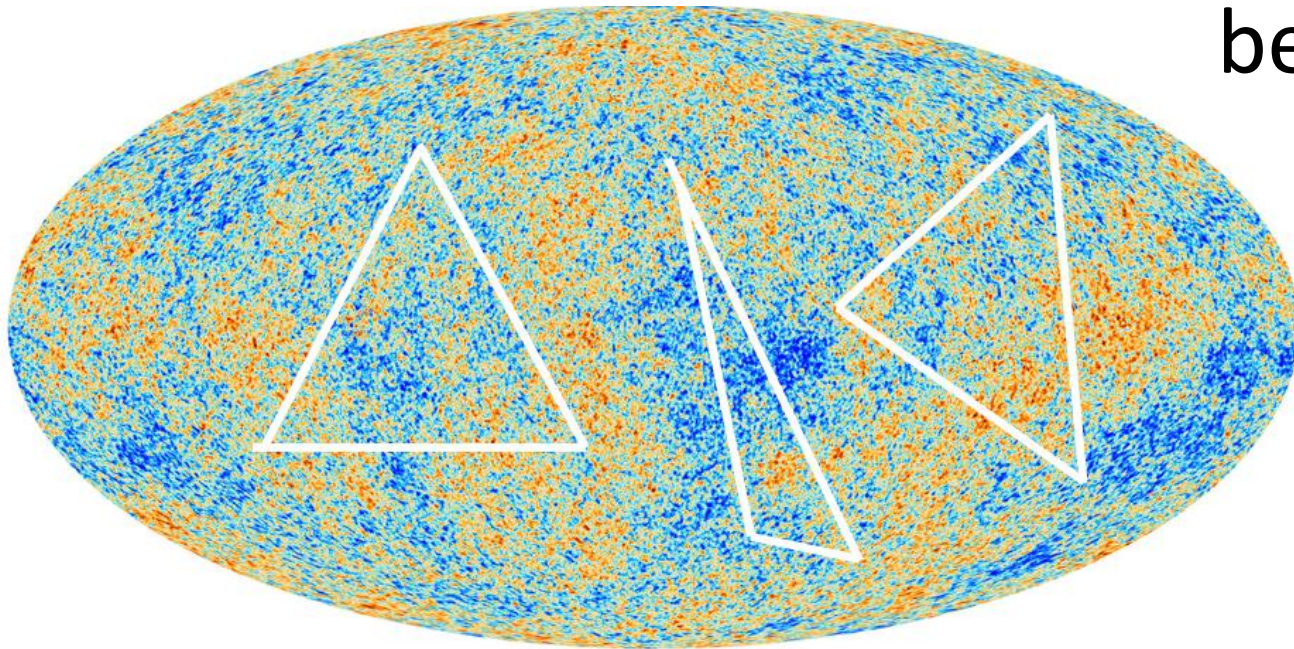
M. Braglia, X. Chen, J. Fan, LL,
L. Pinol, P. Singh, Y. Wu, in progress

- ❑ Extends the discussion to other types of isocurvature
 - ❖ Not limited to DM production
- ❑ C.C. / feature with explicit symmetry breaking
 - ❖ Only massive modes in the isocurvature sector
- ❑ CMB implications
 - ❖ What about LSS?

BAKCUPS & EXTRA THOUGHTS

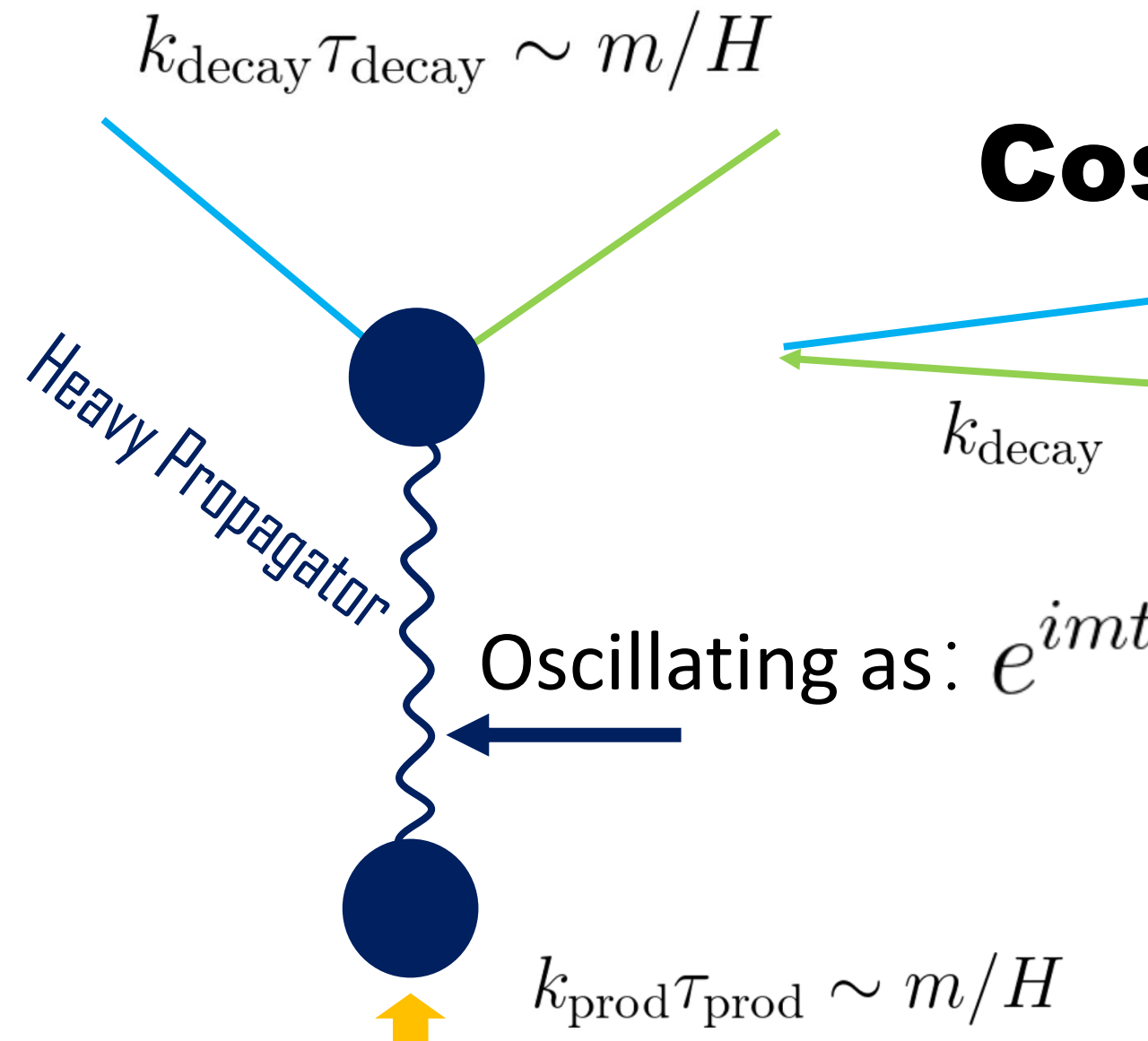
$$\langle \delta\phi(\mathbf{k}_1)\delta\phi(\mathbf{k}_2)\delta\phi(\mathbf{k}_3) \rangle \propto \delta(\mathbf{k}_1+\mathbf{k}_2+\mathbf{k}_3)\langle \delta\phi\delta\phi \rangle^2 \times f_{\text{NL}}$$

Wouldn't happen if everything
behave as free fields!



Planck limit on f_{NL} : $O(10)$ for pure curvature.

Sketch of a Cosmological Collider



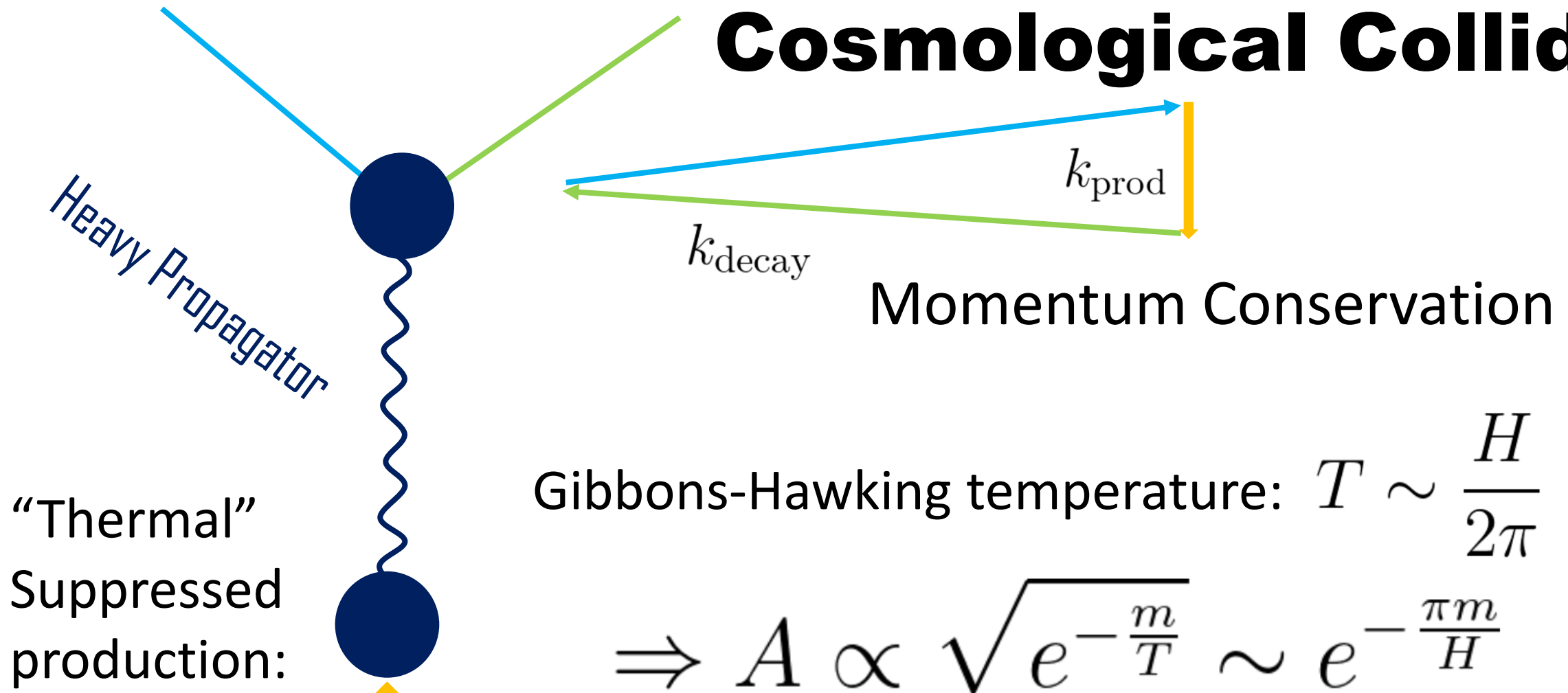
k_{prod}
 $k_{\text{decay}} \gg k_{\text{prod}}$

Mass observed through phases:

$|\tau| \sim H^{-1} e^{-Ht} \Rightarrow$
 $t_{\text{decay}} - t_{\text{prod}} \simeq H^{-1} \log \left| \frac{\tau_{\text{prod}}}{\tau_{\text{decay}}} \right|$

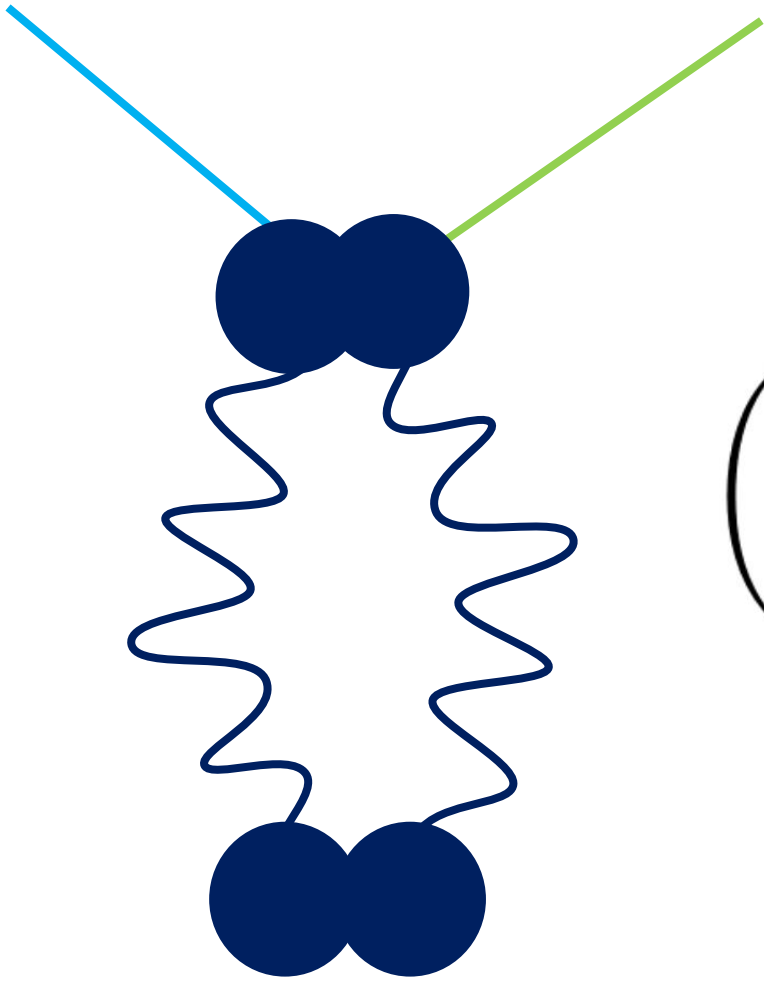
$e^{im\Delta t} \sim \left(\frac{k_{\text{decay}}}{k_{\text{prod}}} \right)^{im/H}$

Sketch of a Cosmological Collider



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At One Loop



$$\left(\frac{k_{\text{decay}}}{k_{\text{prod}}} \right)^{im/H} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{k_{\text{decay}}}{k_{\text{prod}}} \right)^{2im/H}$$

$$e^{-\frac{\pi m}{H}} \Rightarrow e^{-\frac{2\pi m}{H}} \quad \text{and loop factors}$$

Beyond Boltzmann Suppression

□ Classical Feature

The non-flatness in the potential excites the heavy field background classically

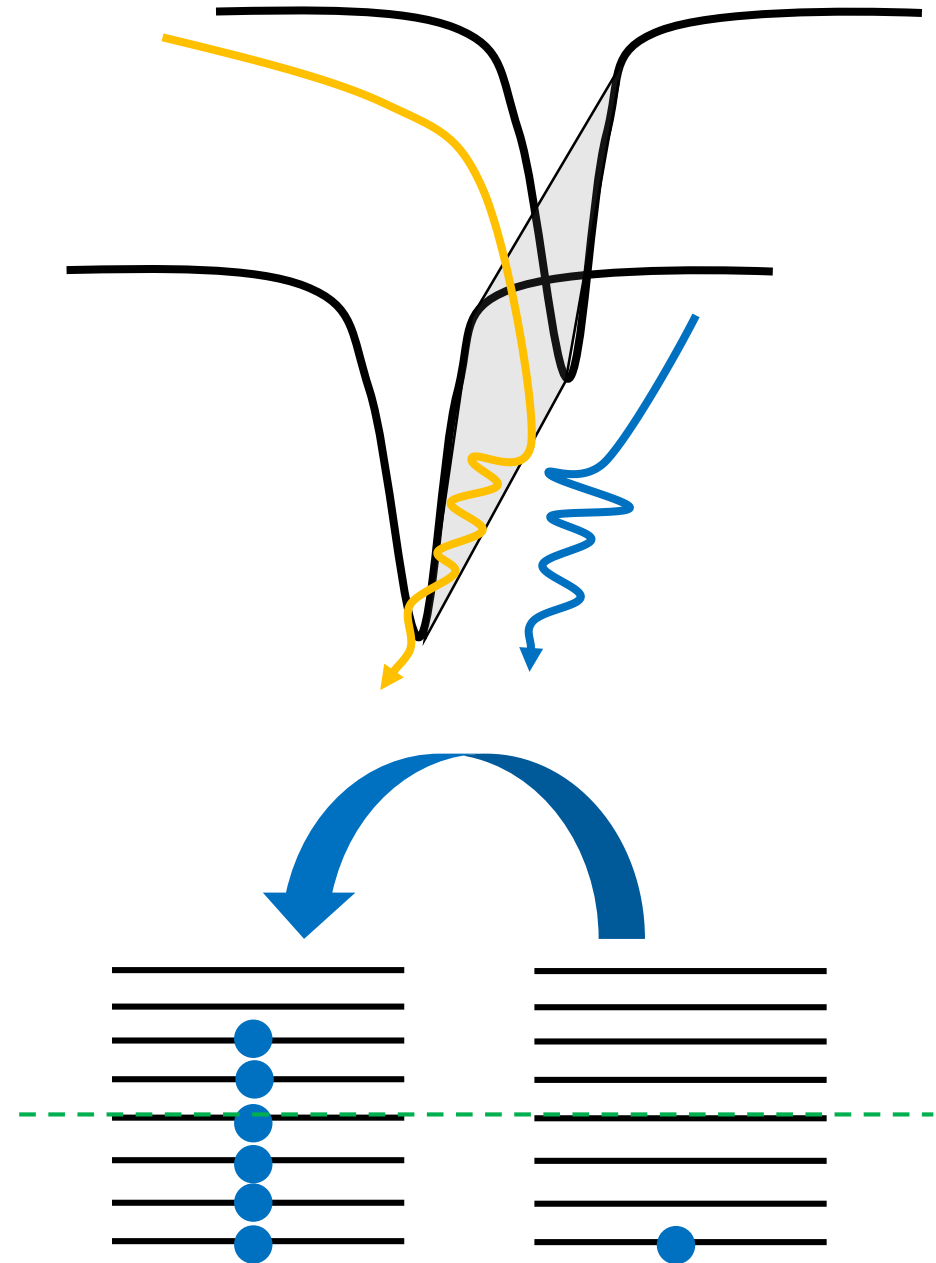
X. Chen, 2011; X. Chen, R. Ebadi, S. Kumar, 2022; A. Bodas, R. Sundrum, 2022 ...

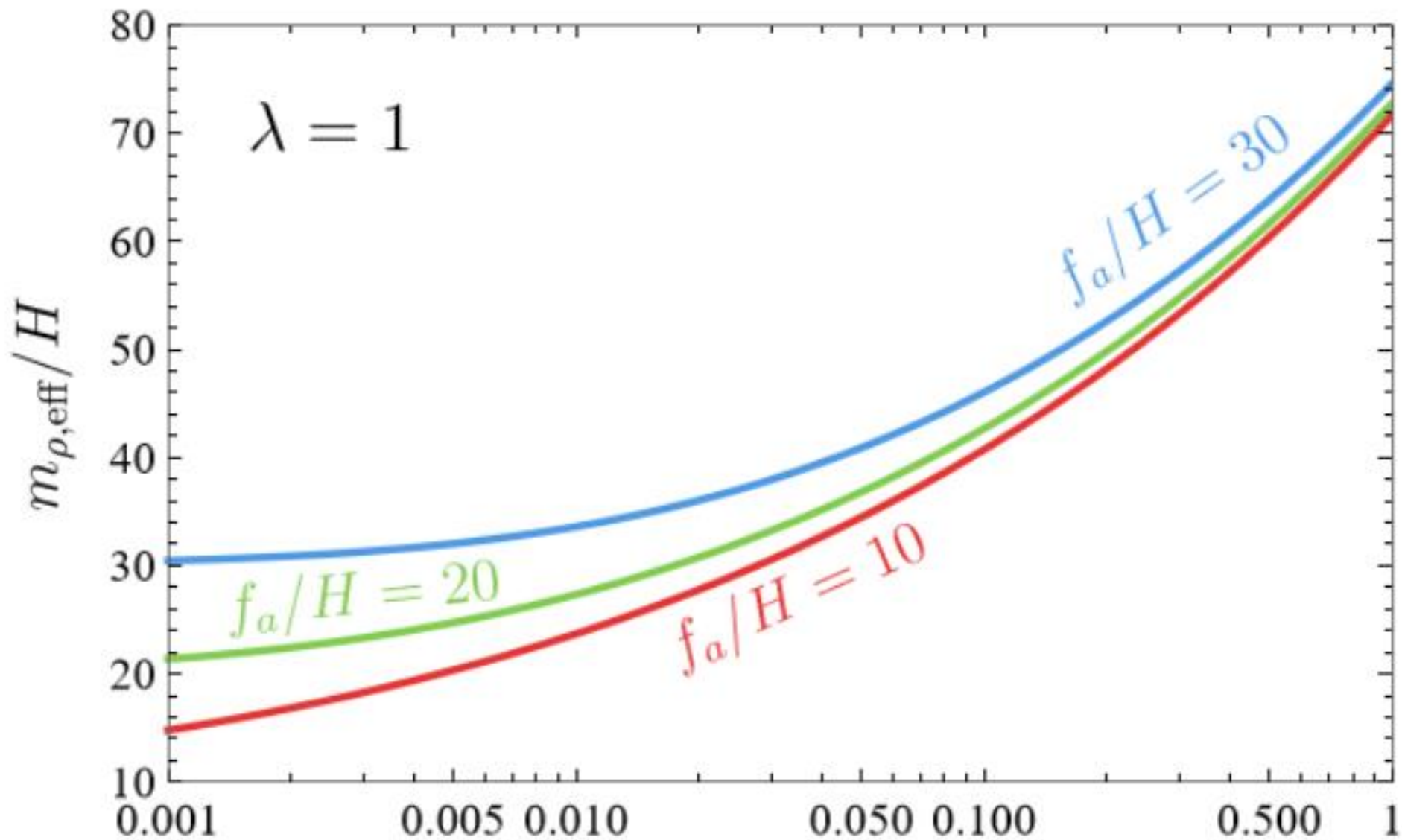
□ Chemical potential

A rolling field creates uneven chemical potential in a sector, greatly enhancing occupation number

A. Bodas, S. Kumar, R. Sundrum, 2020; C. M. Sou, X. Tong, Y. Wang, 2022 ...

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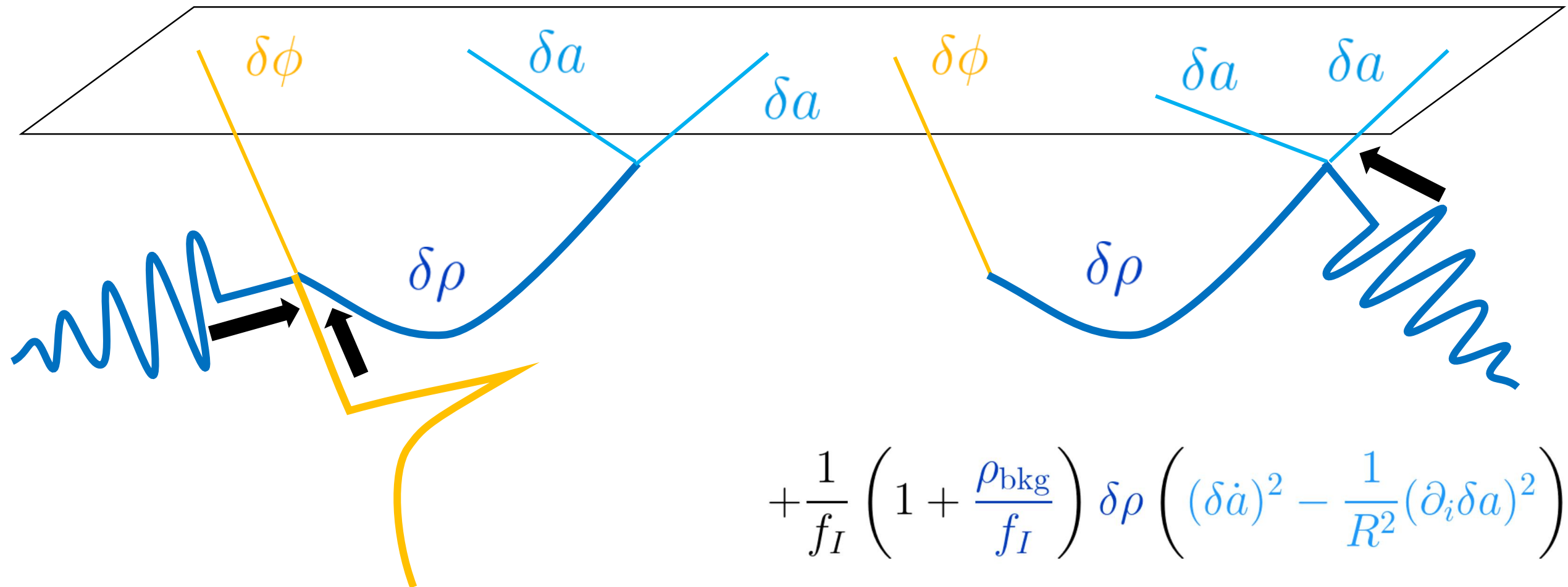
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In-in Formalism

$$\langle W(t) \rangle = \left\langle \left(T e^{-i \int_{-\infty}^t H_{\text{int}}(t') dt'} \right)^\dagger W(t) \left(T e^{-i \int_{-\infty}^t H_{\text{int}}(t'') dt''} \right) \right\rangle$$

$$\langle W(t) \rangle = \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} i^N \int_{-\infty}^t dt_N \int_{-\infty}^{t_N} dt_{N-1} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{t_2} dt_1 \langle [H_{\text{int}}(t_1), [H_{\text{int}}(t_2), \dots [H_{\text{int}}(t_N), W(t)] \dots]] \rangle$$

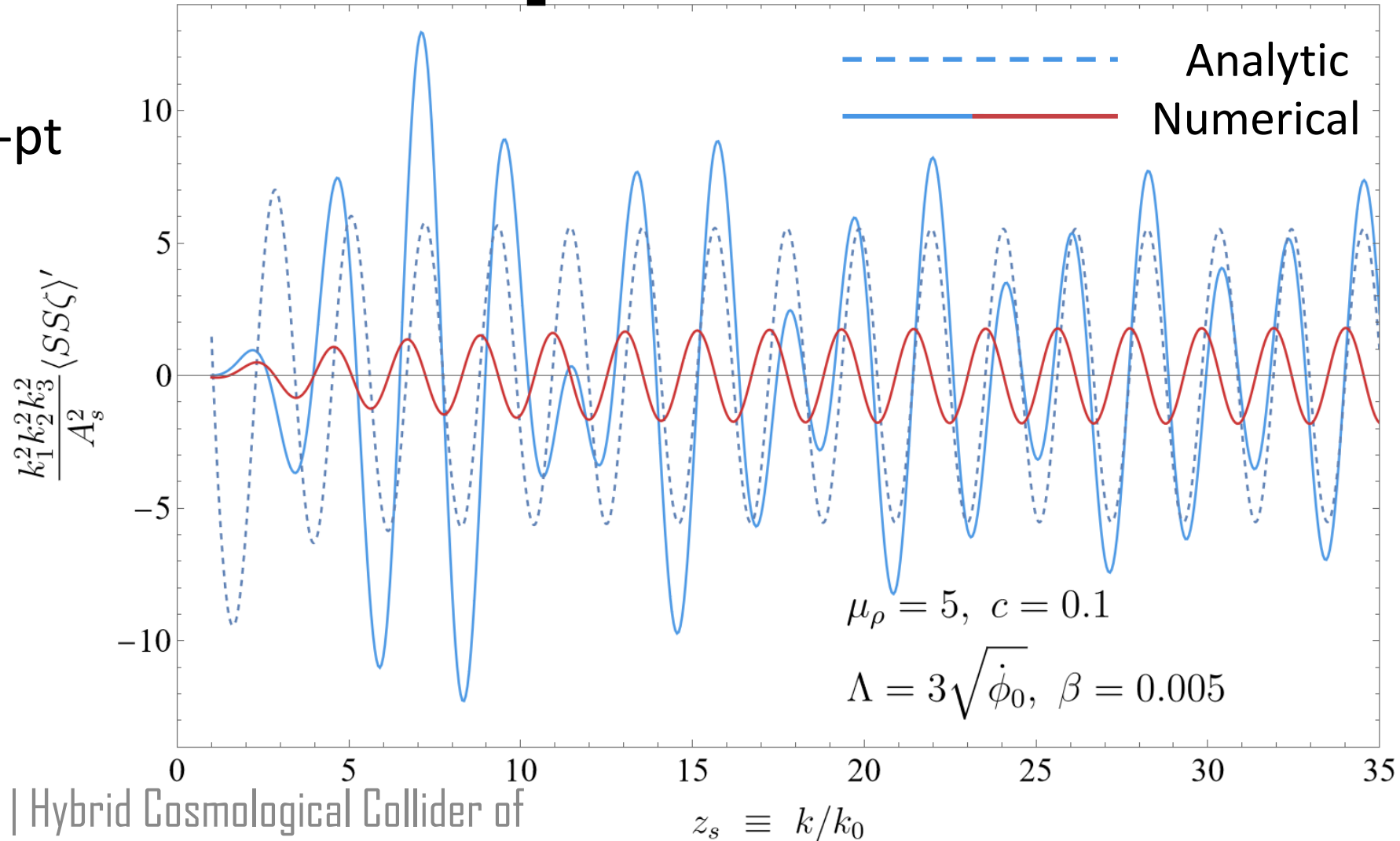
$$\frac{2cf_I\dot{\phi}_0}{\Lambda^2} \left(1 + \frac{\dot{\phi}_1}{\dot{\phi}_0} + \frac{\rho_{\text{bkg}}}{f_I} \right) \delta\dot{\phi}\delta\rho$$



$$+ \frac{1}{f_I} \left(1 + \frac{\rho_{\text{bkg}}}{f_I} \right) \delta\rho \left((\delta\dot{a})^2 - \frac{1}{R^2} (\partial_i \delta a)^2 \right)$$

NG in the Equilateral limit

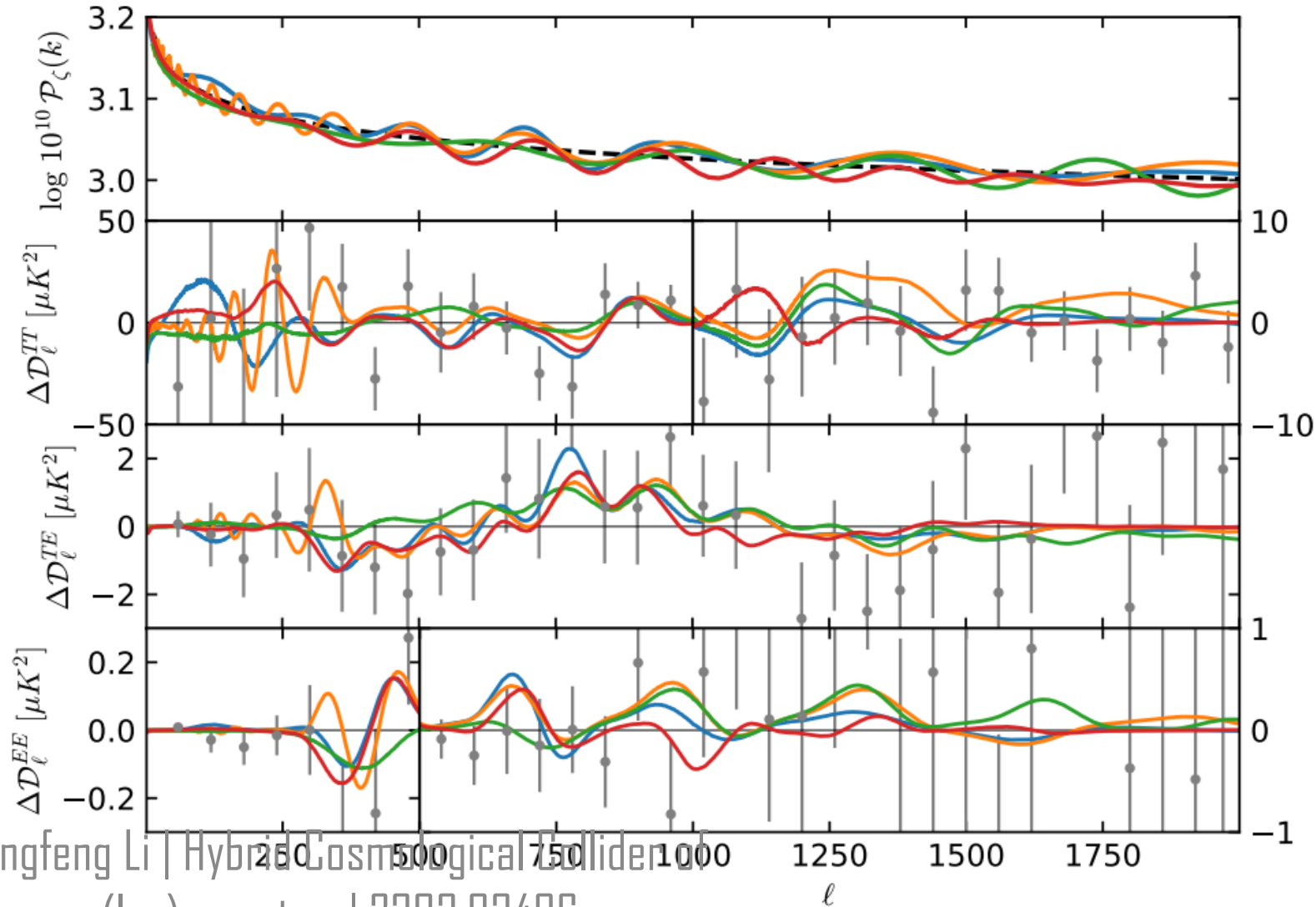
Sizable
hybrid 3-pt
signal



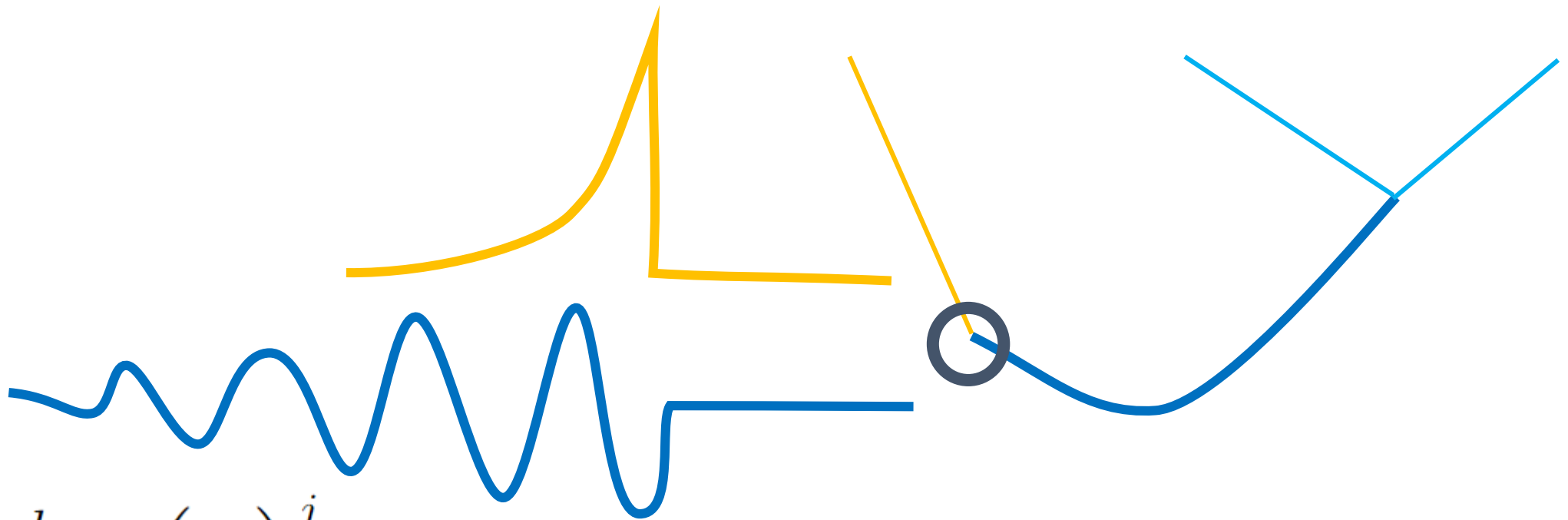
Numerical Benchmark

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left| \frac{\Delta P_\zeta}{P_\zeta} \right|_{\text{clock;amp}} &= \frac{2c^2 b V_{\phi 0} f_I^2}{\Lambda^4 H^2} \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{\mu_\rho^3}} \\
 &\approx 0.019 \left(\frac{q}{0.02} \right)^2 \left(\frac{b V_{\phi 0}}{0.3 \dot{\phi}_0^2} \right) \left(\frac{\dot{\phi}_0}{(60H)^2} \right)^2 \left(\frac{40H}{f_I} \right)^{7/2} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} \right)^{3/4} \\
 \left| \frac{\Delta P_i}{P_i} \right|_{\text{clock;amp}} &\approx \frac{2cb V_{\phi 0}}{\Lambda^2 H^2} \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{\mu_\rho^3}} \\
 &\approx 0.96 \left(\frac{q}{0.02} \right) \left(\frac{b V_{\phi 0}}{0.3 \dot{\phi}_0^2} \right) \left(\frac{\dot{\phi}_0}{(60H)^2} \right)^2 \left(\frac{40H}{f_I} \right)^{7/2} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} \right)^{3/4}
 \end{aligned}$$

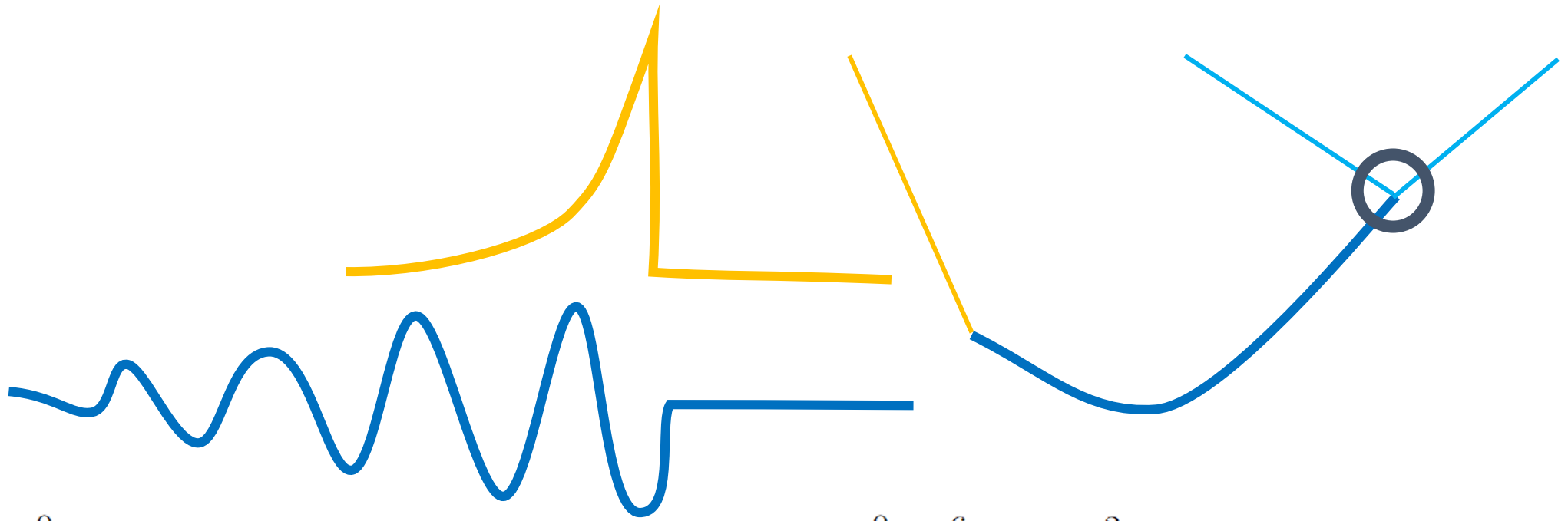
Observational Hints



M. Braglia, X. Chen and D. K. Hazra 2021; A. Antony, F. Finelli, D. K. Hazra and A. Shafieloo, 2022; M. Braglia, X. Chen, D. K. Hazra and L. Pinol, 2022



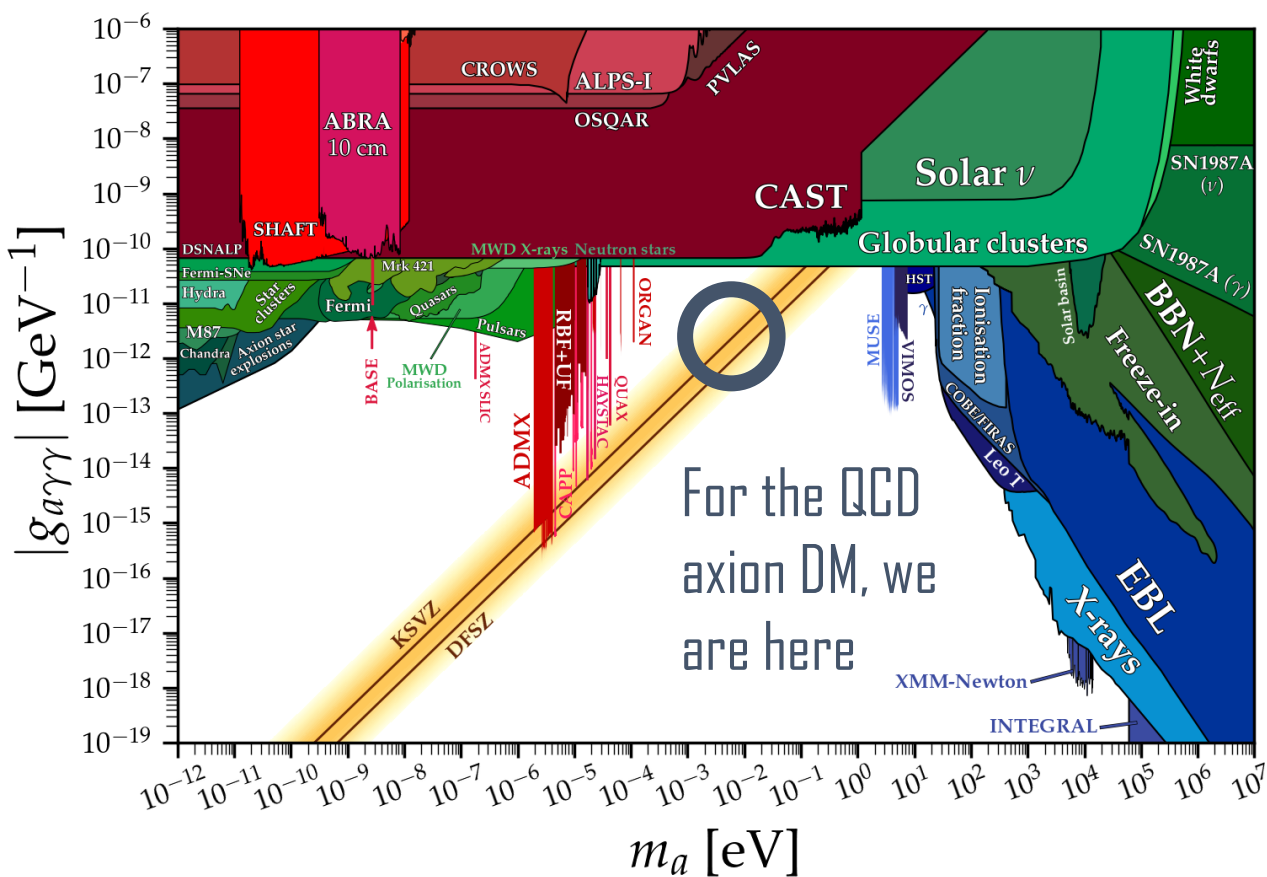
$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{-\infty}^{\tau_1} \frac{d\tau_2}{(H\tau_2)^4} \left(\frac{\tau_2}{\tau_s}\right)^j \dot{u}_{k_3}^* v_{k_3}^*(\tau_2) \theta(\tau_2 - \tau_s) \\
 &= \int_{-\infty}^{\tau_1} d\tau_2 \frac{\sqrt{\pi}(1+i)e^{\frac{\pi\mu\rho}{2} + ik_3\tau_2} \sqrt{-k_3\tau_2}}{4H\tau_2} \left(\frac{\tau_2}{\tau_s}\right)^j H_{i\mu\rho}^{(2)}(-k_3\tau_2) \theta(\tau_2 - \tau_s) \\
 &= \frac{\sqrt{\pi}(1+i)z_s^{-j}}{4H} \int^{z_s} e^{\frac{\pi\mu\rho}{2}} e^{-iz_2} z_2^{j-\frac{1}{2}} H_{i\mu\rho}^{(2)}(z_2) dz_2,
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 u_{k_1} u_{k_2}(\tau_{\text{end}}) \int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{d\tau_1}{(H\tau_1)^4} \partial_\mu u_{k_1}^* \partial^\mu u_{k_2}^* v_{k_3}(\tau_1) \theta(\tau_1 - \tau_s) &= \int_{\tau_s}^0 \frac{H^6 d\tau_1}{(H\tau_1)^4} \frac{\tau_1^2}{4k_1^3 k_2^3} v_{k_3}(\tau_1) \mathcal{D} e^{ik_{12}\tau_1} \\
 &= \frac{(-1)^{\frac{3}{4}} e^{-\pi\mu_\rho/2} H^3 \sqrt{\pi}}{8k_1^3 k_2^3 k_3^{5/2}} \int_0^{z_s} dz_1 e^{-ik_{12}z_1/k_3} \left[(k_1^2 k_2^2 - \mathbf{k}_1 \cdot \mathbf{k}_2 k_1 k_2) z_1^{\frac{3}{2}} + i\mathbf{k}_1 \cdot \mathbf{k}_2 k_{12} k_3 z_1^{\frac{1}{2}} + \mathbf{k}_1 \cdot \mathbf{k}_2 k_3^2 / z_1^{\frac{1}{2}} \right] \\
 &\times H_{i\mu\rho}^{(1)}(z_1),
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{(-1)^{\frac{1}{4}} e^{-\pi\mu_\rho/2} H^3 \sqrt{\pi}}{16k_1^{9/2} k_2^{9/2} k_3^{5/2}} \int_0^{z_s} \frac{dz_1}{\sqrt{z_1}} e^{-2iz_1} (3iz_1^2 + 2z_1 - i) H_{i\mu\rho}^{(1)}(z_1),$$

Misalignment Details



- ❑ ⚠ For sizeable isocurvature hybrid signals, need small DM fraction γ of $O(10^{-3})$ or smaller ⚠
- ❑ May be a good way to pin down the inflationary scale
- Size of f_a inferred from DM direct detection (mass-coupling relation, etc.)
- H/f_a from cosmological collider observables