

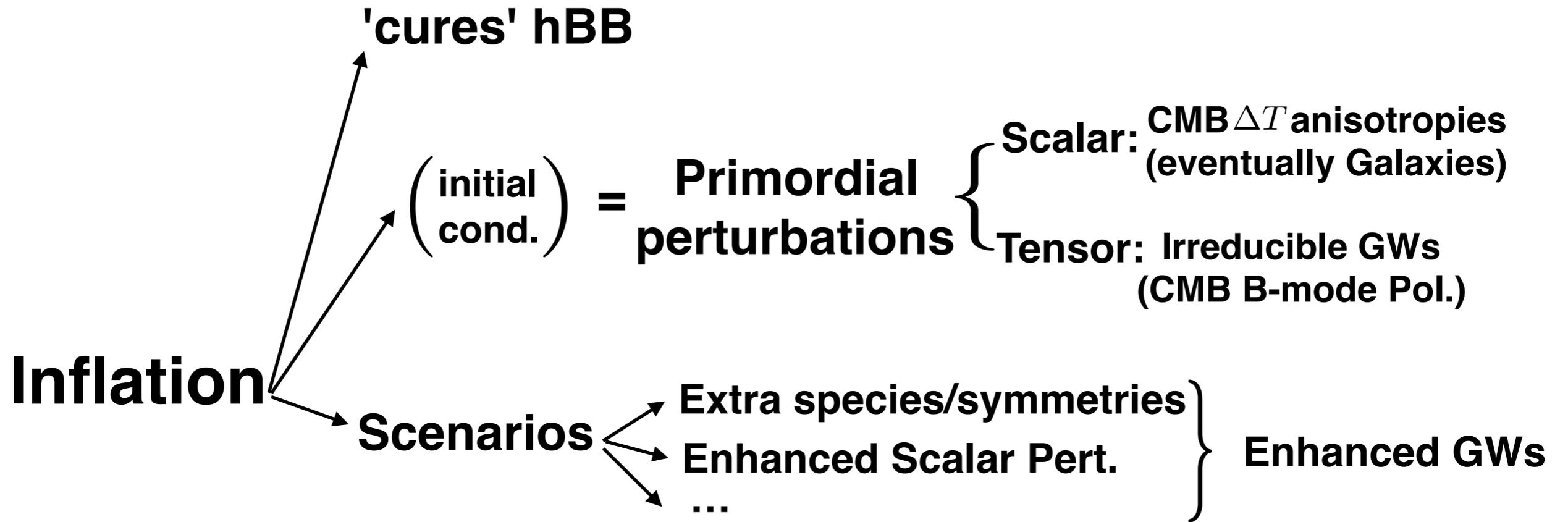
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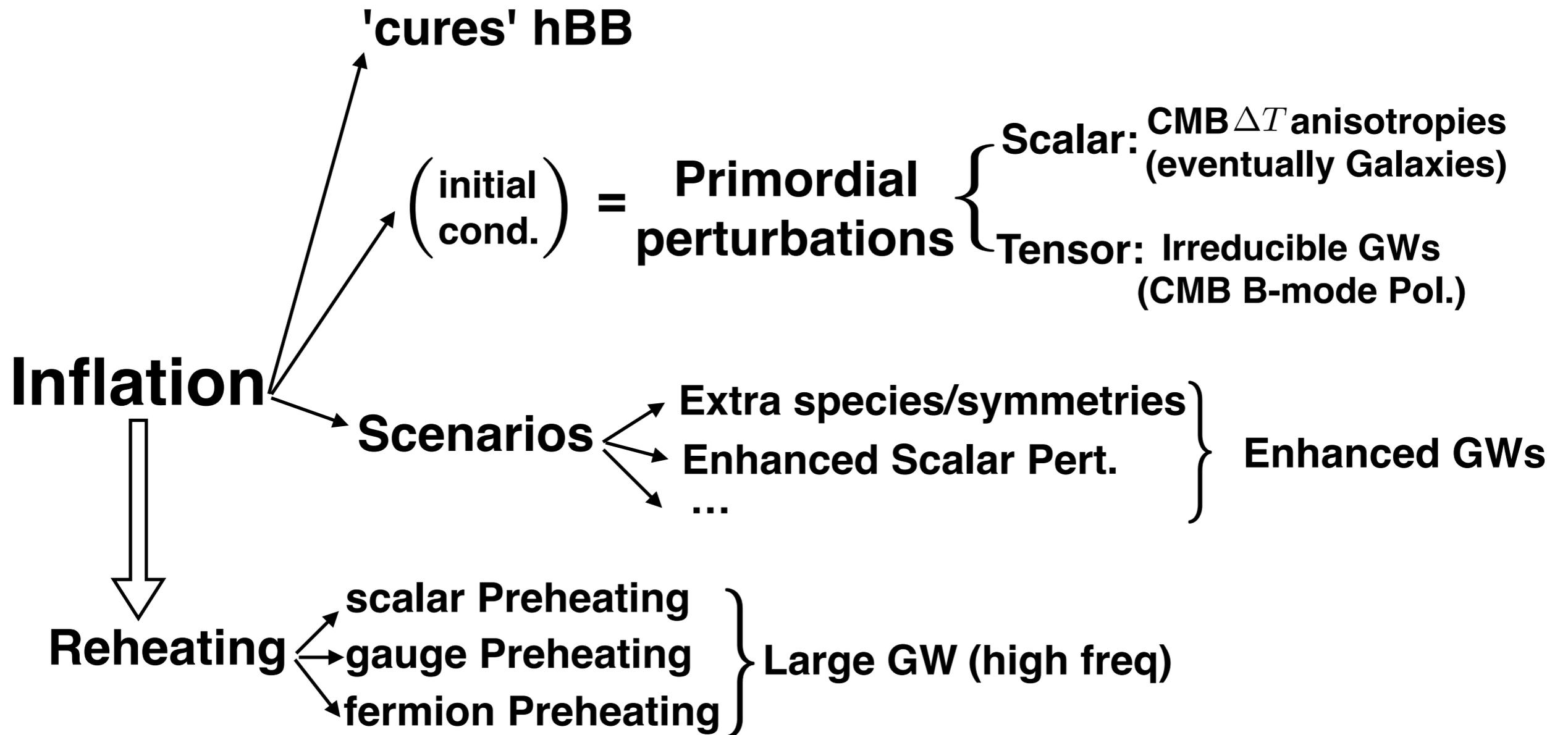
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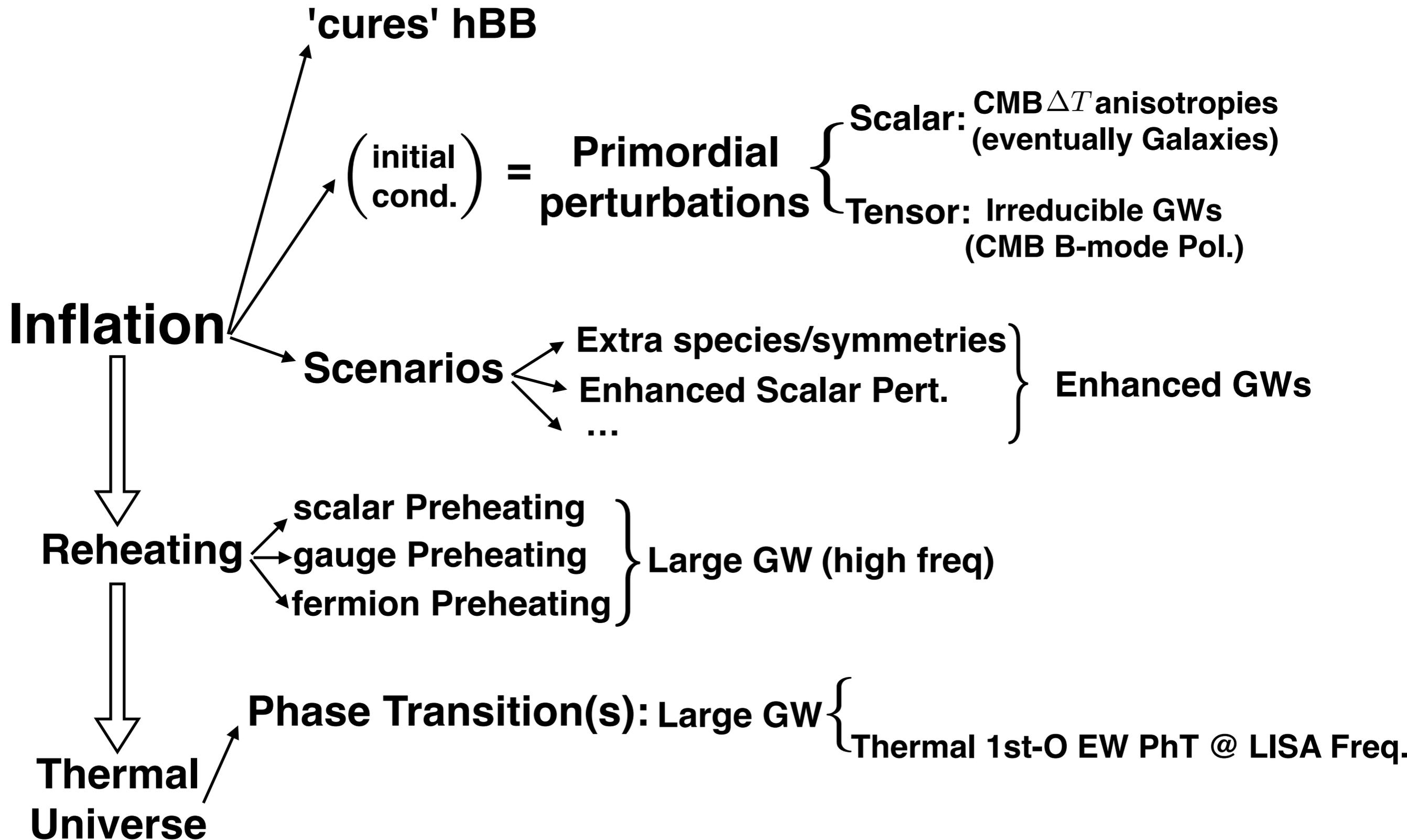
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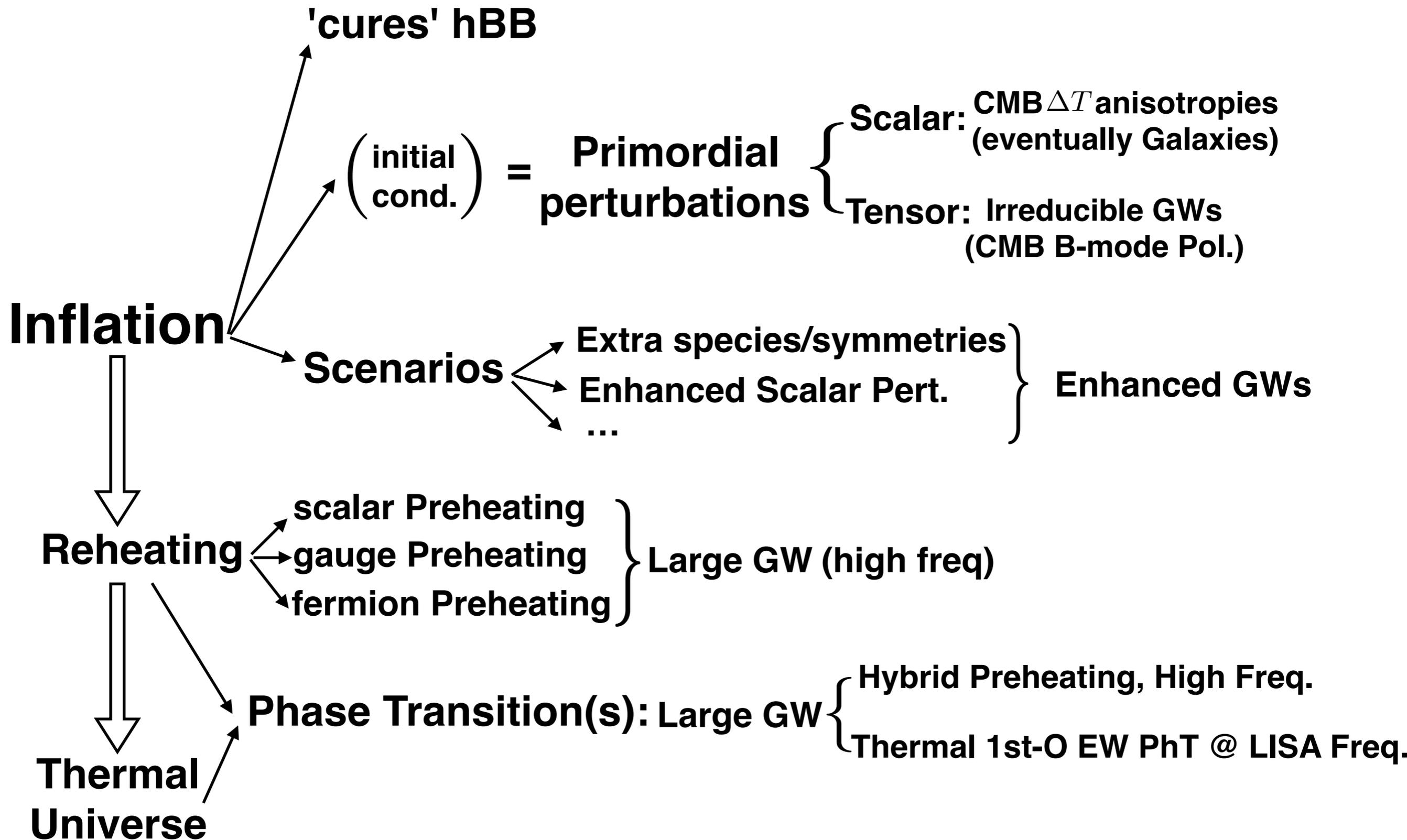
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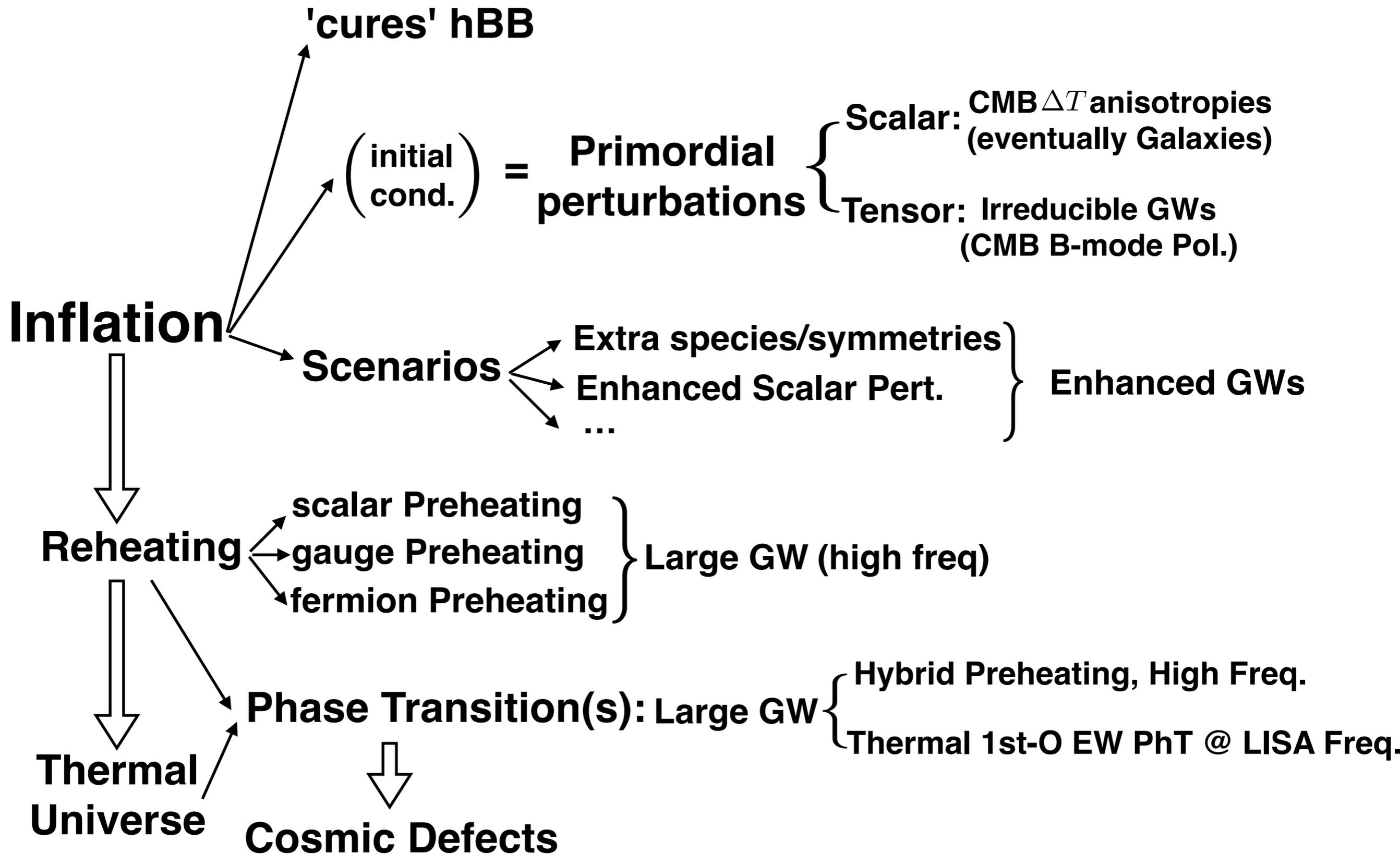
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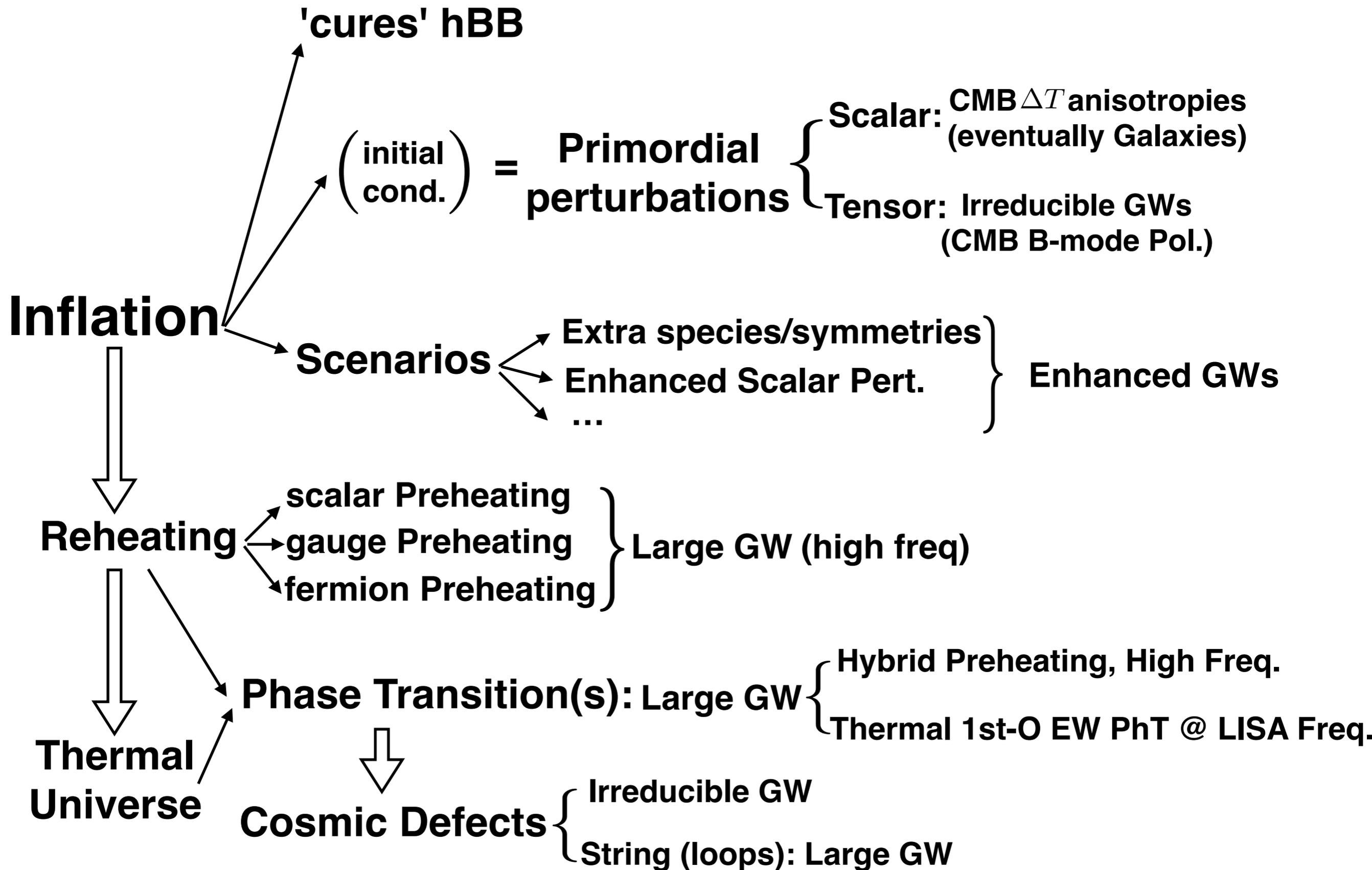
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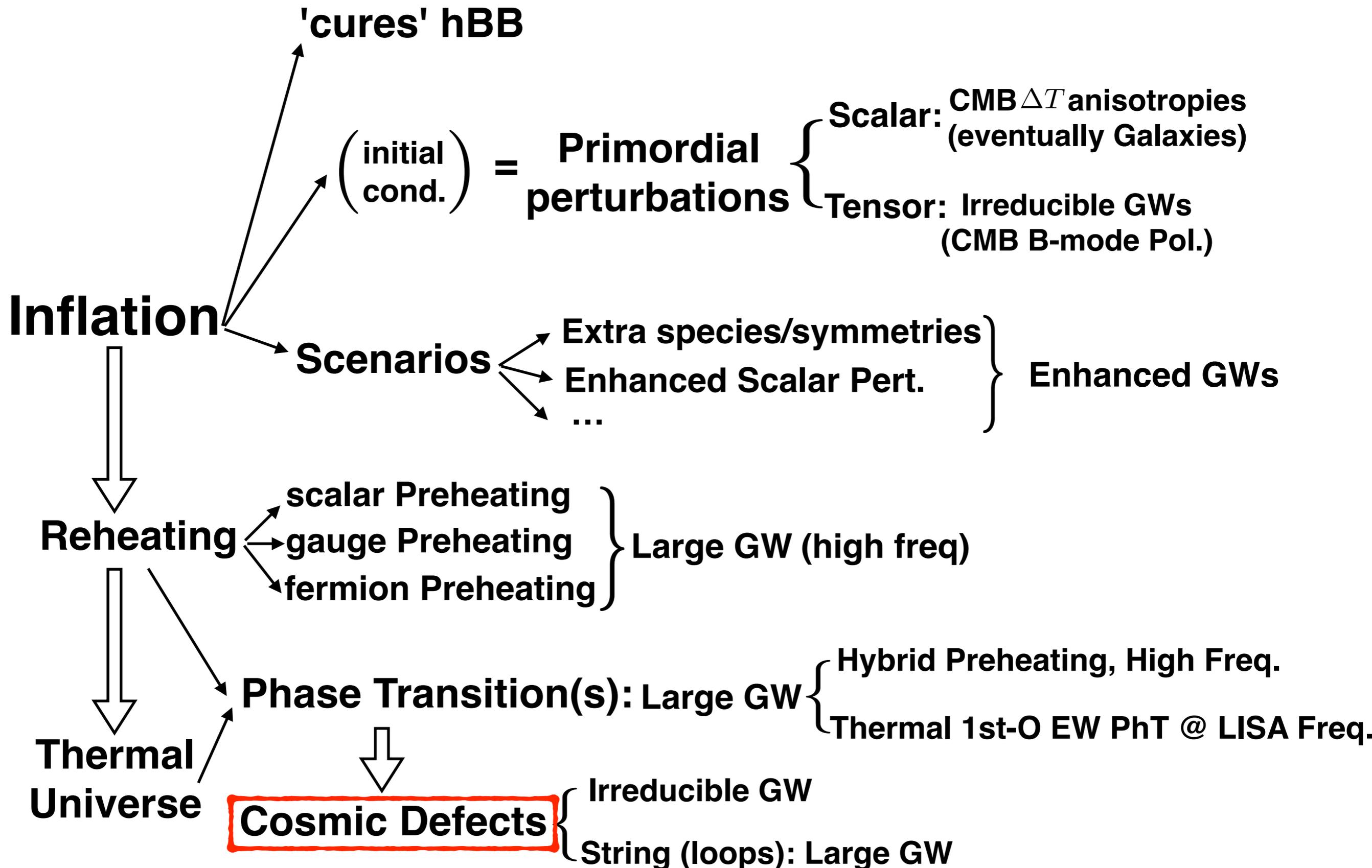
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# Introduction to Cosmic Defects

## Topology of cosmic domains and strings

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**Abstract.** The possible domain structures which can arise in the universe in a spontaneously broken gauge theory are studied. It is shown that the formation of domain walls, strings or monopoles depends on the homotopy groups of the manifold of degenerate vacua. The subsequent evolution of these structures is investigated. It is argued that while theories generating domain walls can probably be eliminated (because of their unacceptable gravitational effects), a cosmic network of strings may well have been formed and may have had important cosmological effects.

**Kibble pioneered the study of topological defect generation in the early universe.**

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Have a specific example in mind. Let us consider an  $N$ -component real scalar field  $\phi$  with a Lagrangian invariant under the orthogonal group  $O(N)$ , and coupled in the usual way to  $\frac{1}{2}N(N-1)$  vector fields represented by an antisymmetric matrix  $B_{\mu}$ . We can take

$$L = \frac{1}{2}(D_{\mu}\phi)^2 - \frac{1}{8}g^2(\phi^2 - \eta^2)^2 + \frac{1}{8}\text{Tr}(B_{\mu\nu}B^{\mu\nu}) \quad (1)$$

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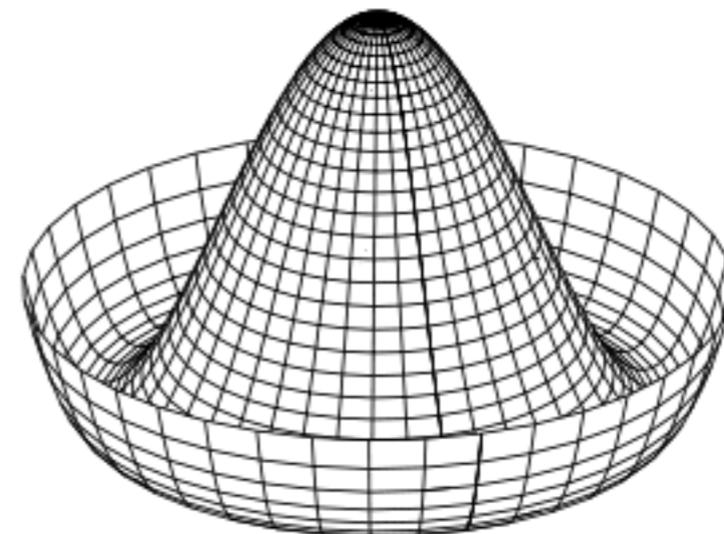
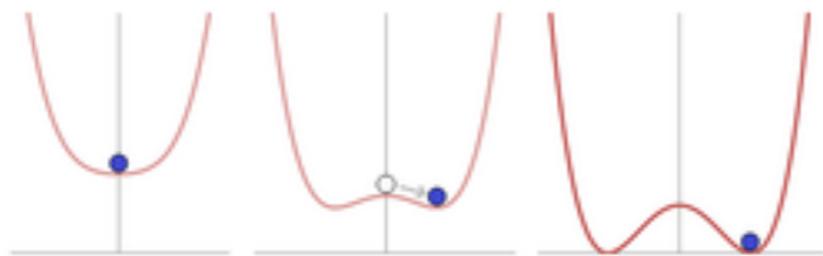
$$D_{\mu}\phi = \partial_{\mu}\phi - eB_{\mu}\phi$$
$$B_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\nu}B_{\mu} - \partial_{\mu}B_{\nu} + e[B_{\mu}, B_{\nu}].$$

The coupling constants  $g$  and  $e$  are not necessarily related, but we shall assume that they are of a similar order of magnitude (and both small).

At zero temperature the  $O(N)$  symmetry here is spontaneously broken to  $O(N-1)$ , with  $\phi$  acquiring a vacuum expectation of order  $\eta$ . In the tree approximation,

$$\langle\phi\rangle^2 = \eta^2 \quad (2)$$

so that the manifold of degenerate vacua is an  $(N-1)$  sphere  $S^{N-1}$ .



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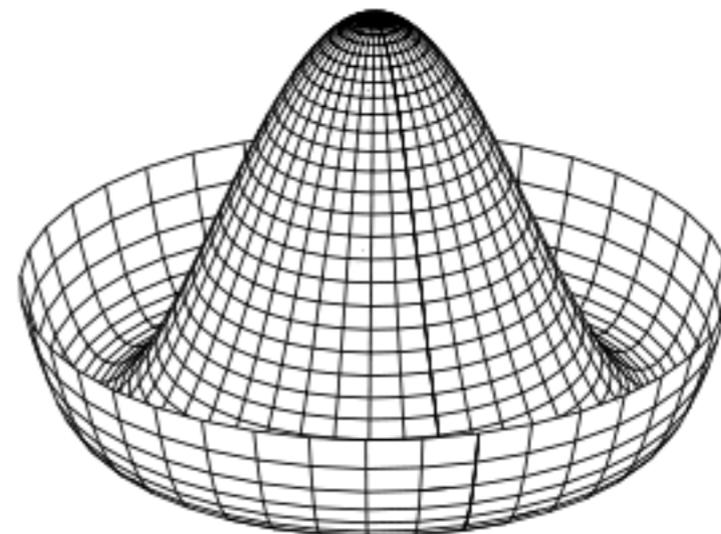
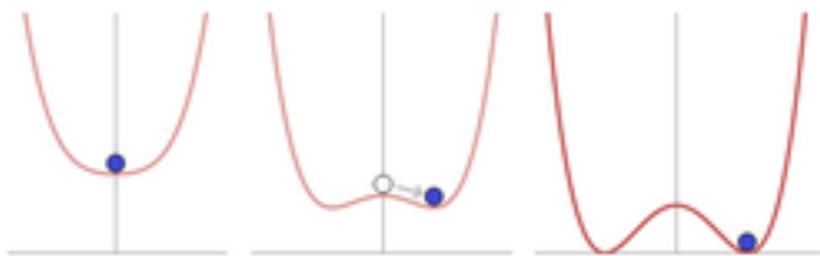
$$V(\phi) = \frac{1}{8}g^2(\phi^2 - \eta^2)^2 + \frac{1}{48}[(N+2)g^2 + 6(N-1)e^2]T^2\phi^2, \quad (3)$$

as in the Landau–Ginsberg theory of superconductivity. (See for example Schrieffer 1964.) The minimum occurs at  $\phi = 0$  and so the symmetry is unbroken for  $T$  larger than the transition temperature

$$T_c = \eta \left( \frac{N+2}{12} + \frac{N-1}{2} \frac{e^2}{g^2} \right)^{-1/2}. \quad \text{Critical Temperature} \quad (4)$$

This is the normal phase. Below  $T_c$ , we have an ordered phase:  $\phi$  acquires a vacuum expectation value, which plays the role of the order parameter, and whose magnitude is determined by

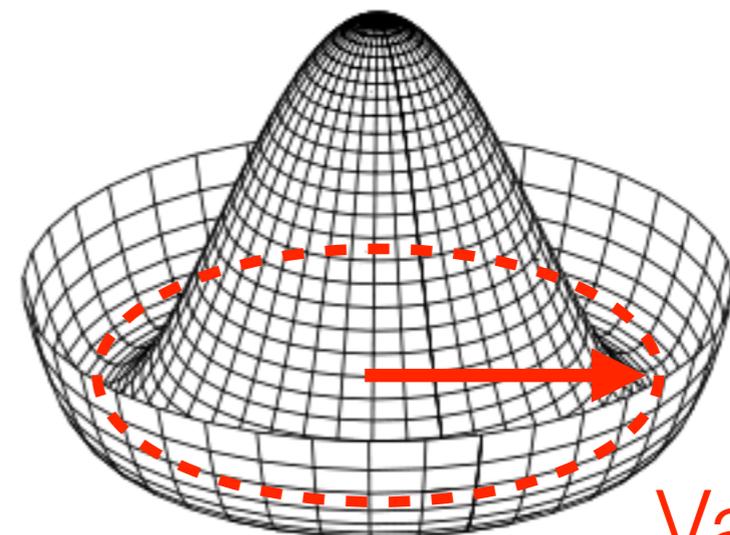
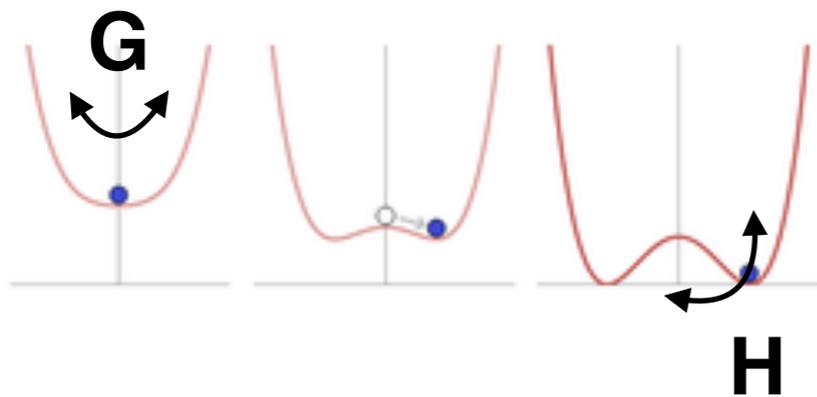
$$\langle \phi \rangle^2 = \eta^2 [1 - (T^2/T_c^2)]. \quad \text{Higgs VEV vs Temp } (T \leq T_c) \quad (5)$$



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As recall the more general situation. In a model with symmetry group  $G$ , the vacuum expectation value  $\langle\phi\rangle$  will be restricted to lie on some orbit of  $G$ . If  $H$  is the isotropy subgroup of  $G$  at one point  $\langle\phi\rangle$ , i.e. the subgroup of transformations leaving  $\langle\phi\rangle$  unaltered, then the orbit may be identified with the coset space  $M = G/H$ . Physically  $H$  is the subgroup of unbroken symmetries, and  $M$  is the manifold of degenerate vacua. As we shall see, the topological properties of  $M$  (specifically its homotopy groups) largely determine the geometry of possible domain structures.



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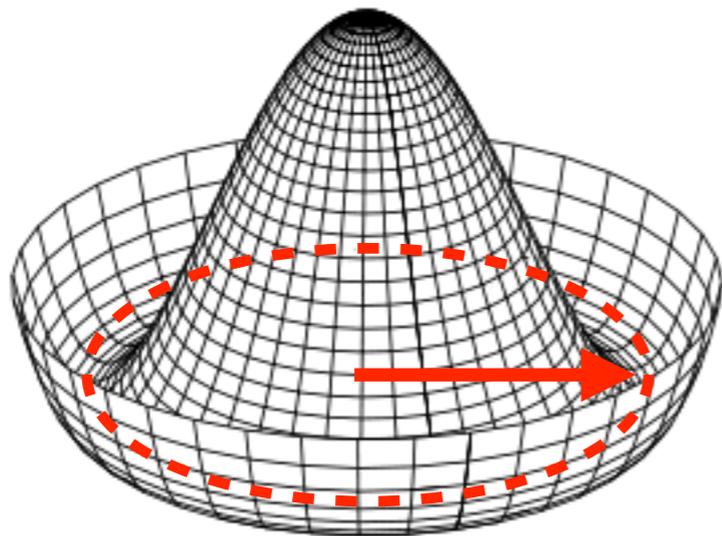
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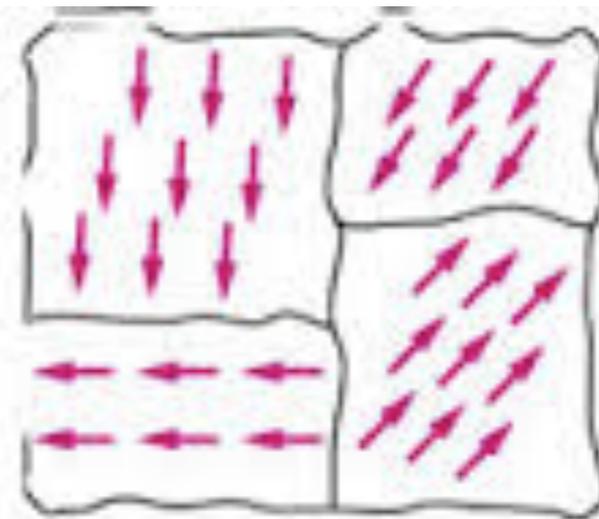
## 3. Formation of protodomains

For  $T$  near  $T_c$  there will be large fluctuations in  $\phi$ . Once  $T$  has fallen well below  $T_c$ , we may expect  $\phi$  to have settled down with a non-zero expectation value corresponding to some point on  $M$ . No point is preferred over any other. As in an isotropic ferromagnet cooled below its Curie point the choice will be determined by whatever small fields happen to be present, arising from random fluctuations. Moreover this choice will be made independently in different regions of space, provided they are far enough apart. (What is far enough we shall discuss shortly.) Thus we can anticipate the formation of an initial domain structure with the expectation value of  $\phi$ , the order parameter, varying from region to region in a more or less random way. Of course for energetic reasons a constant or slowly varying  $\langle\phi\rangle$  is preferred and so much of this initially chaotic variation will quickly die away. The interesting question is whether any residue remains—in particular whether normal regions can be ‘trapped’ like flux tubes in a superconductor.

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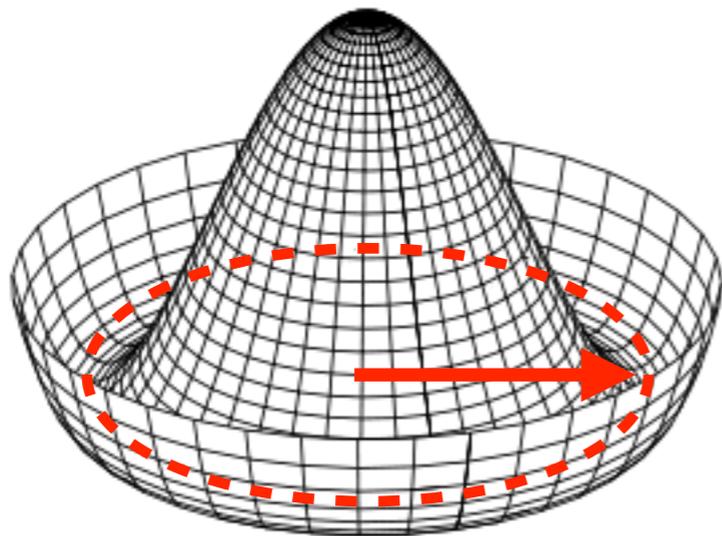


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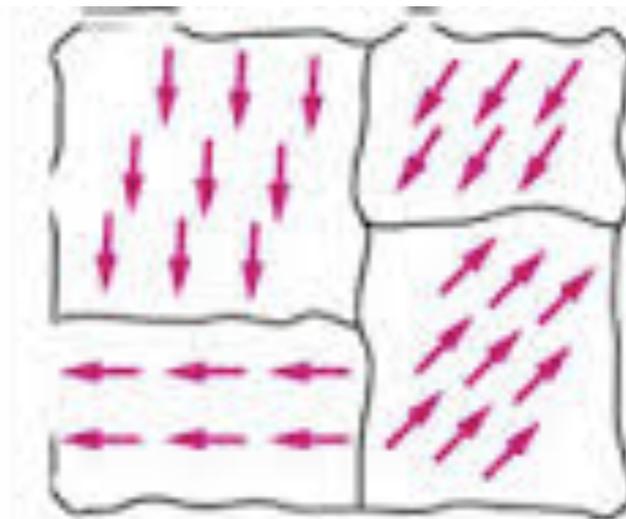
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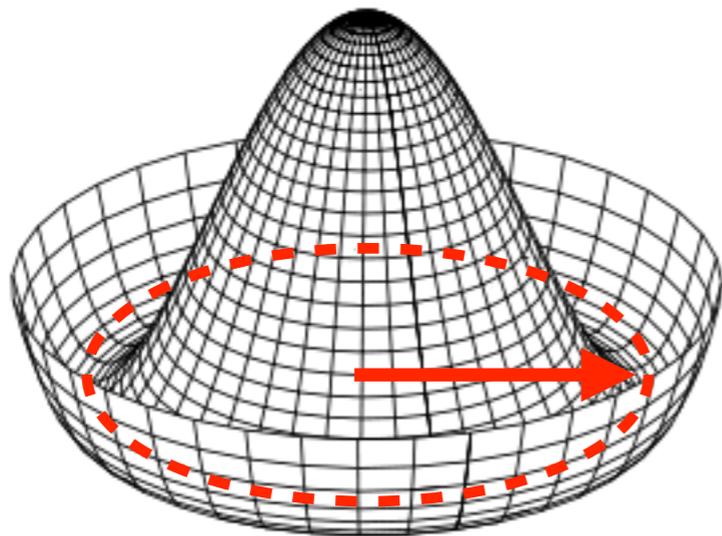
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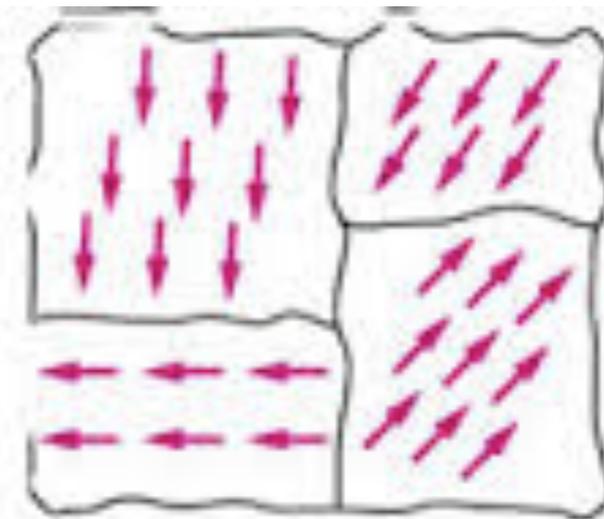
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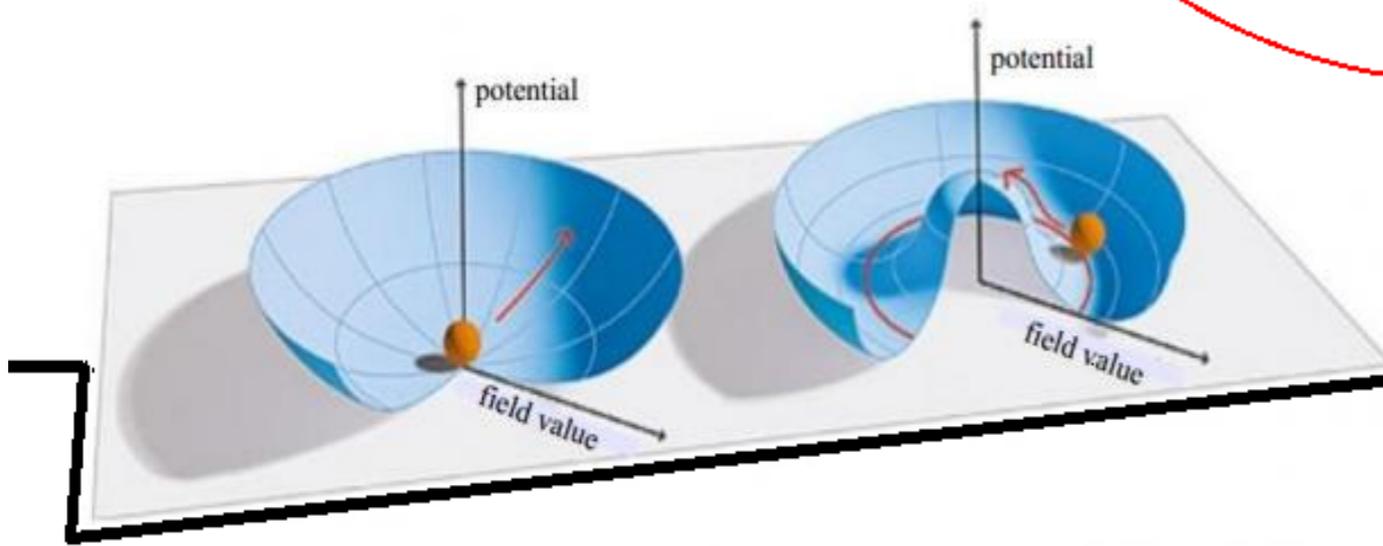


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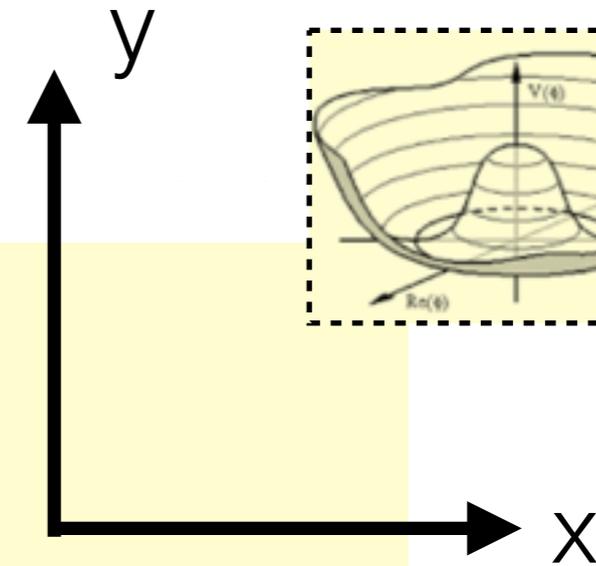
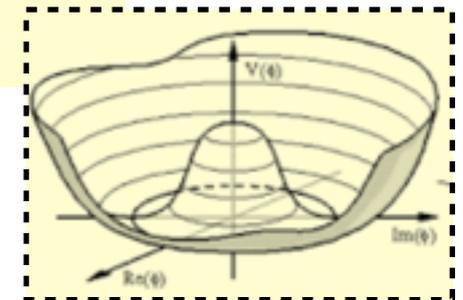
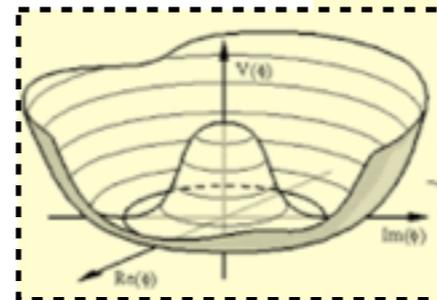
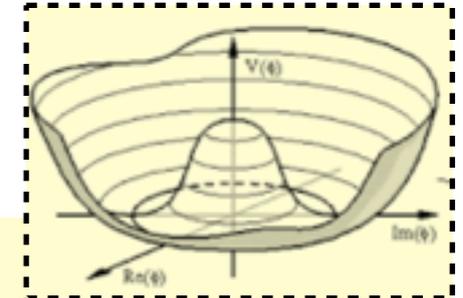
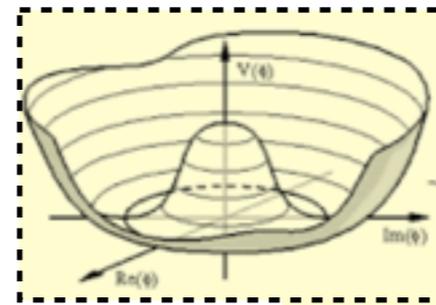
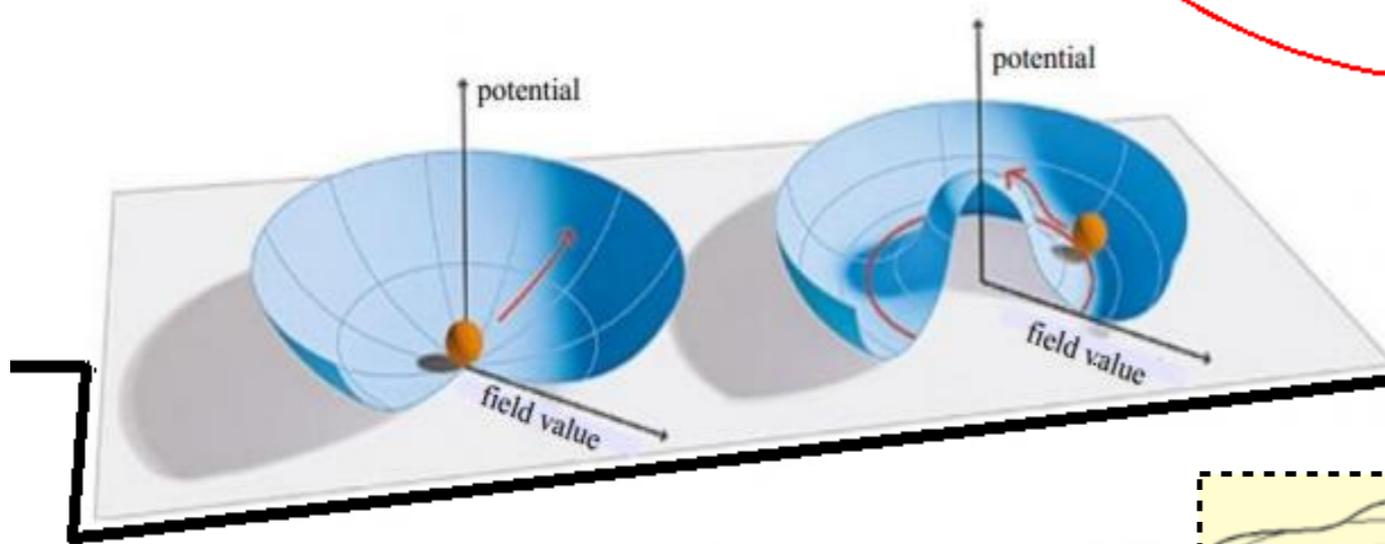


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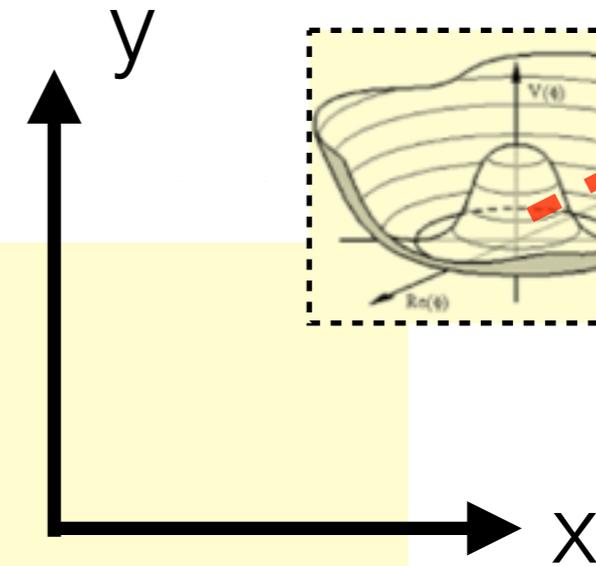
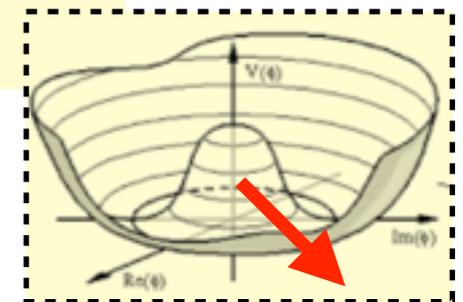
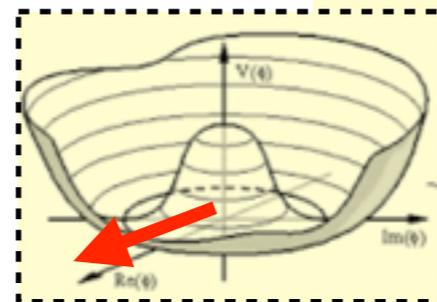
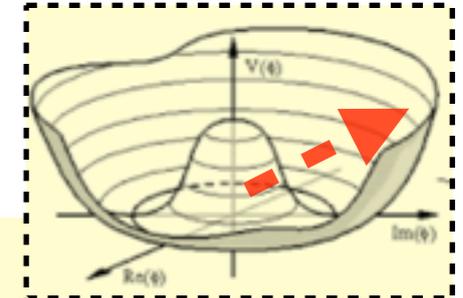
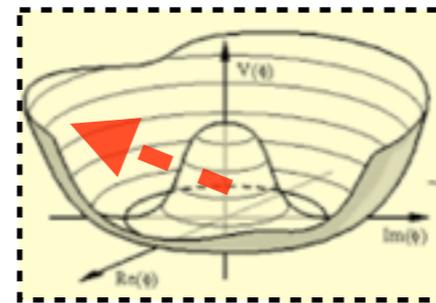
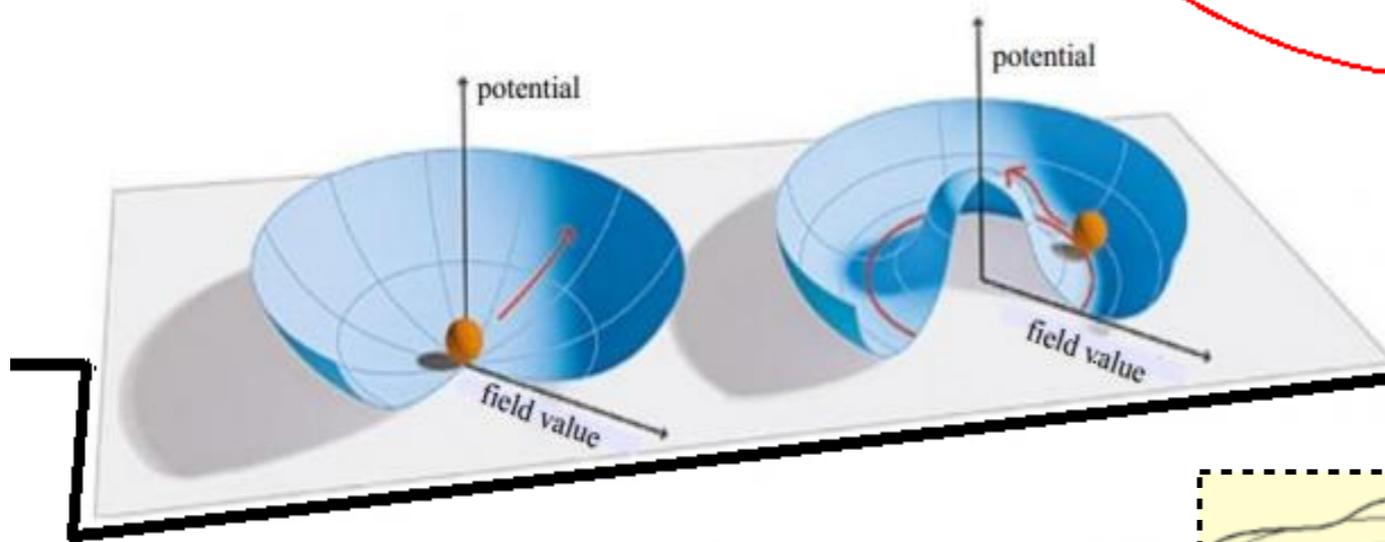


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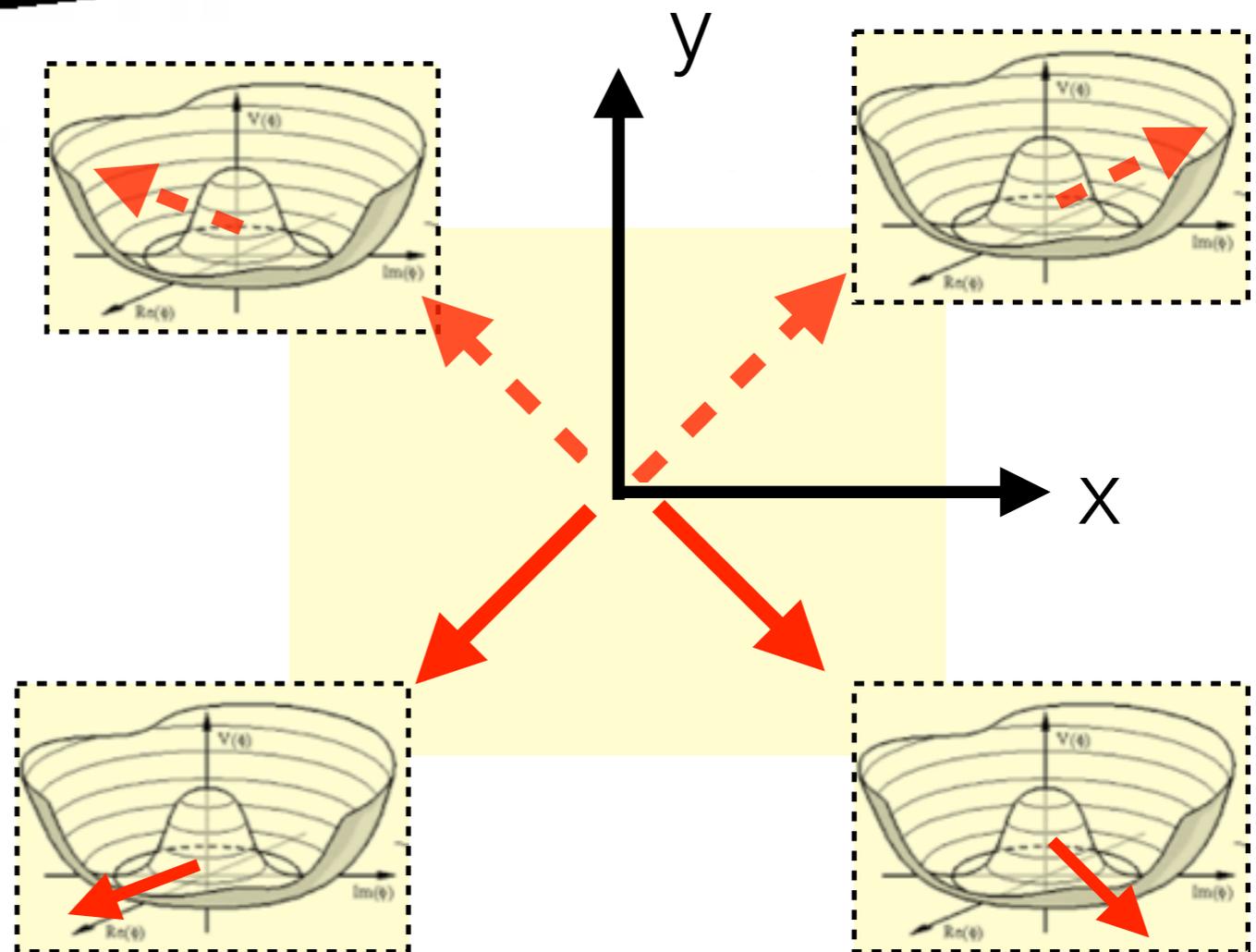
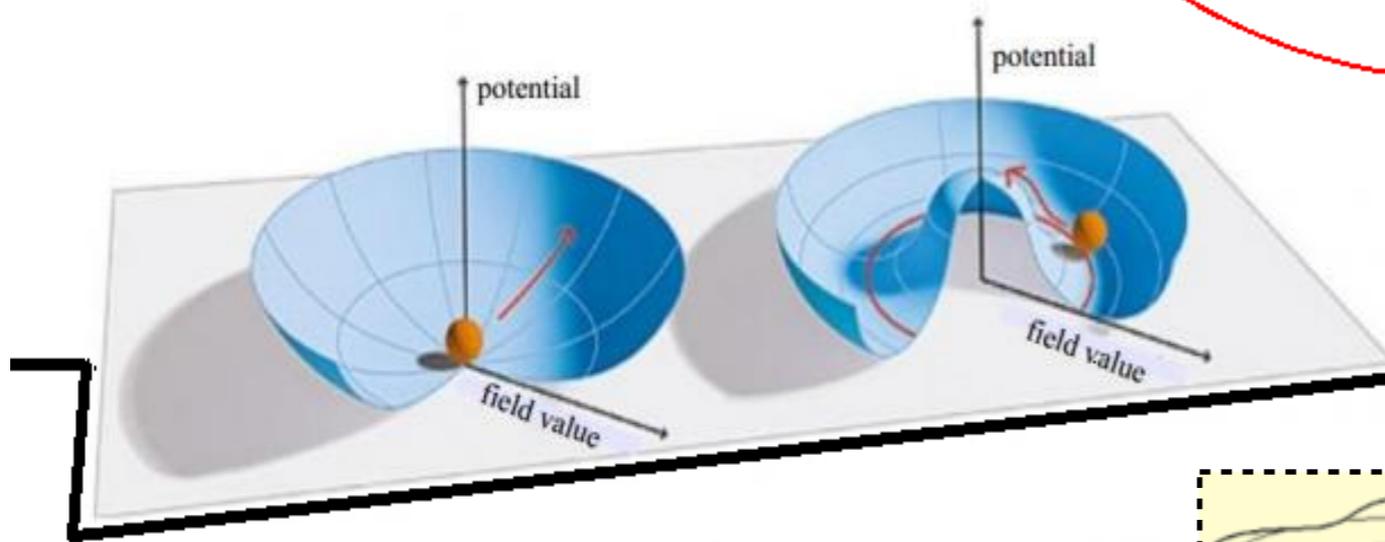


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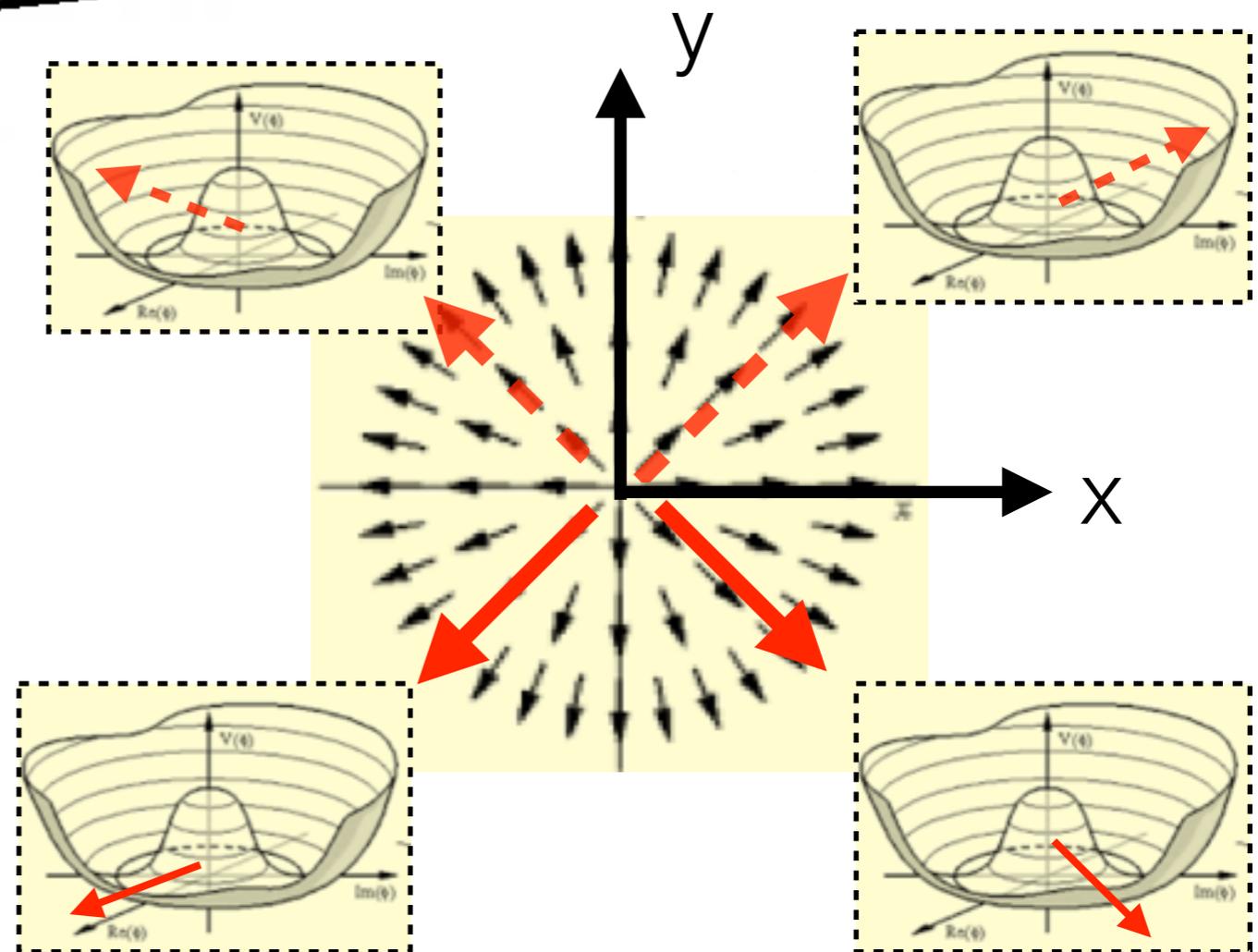
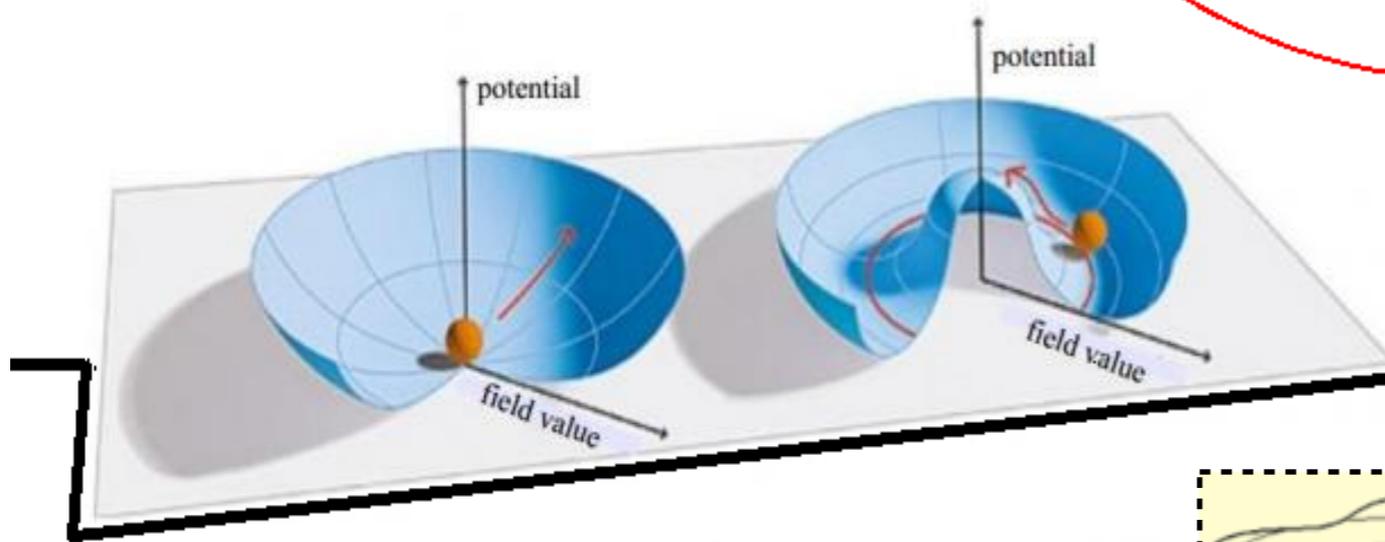


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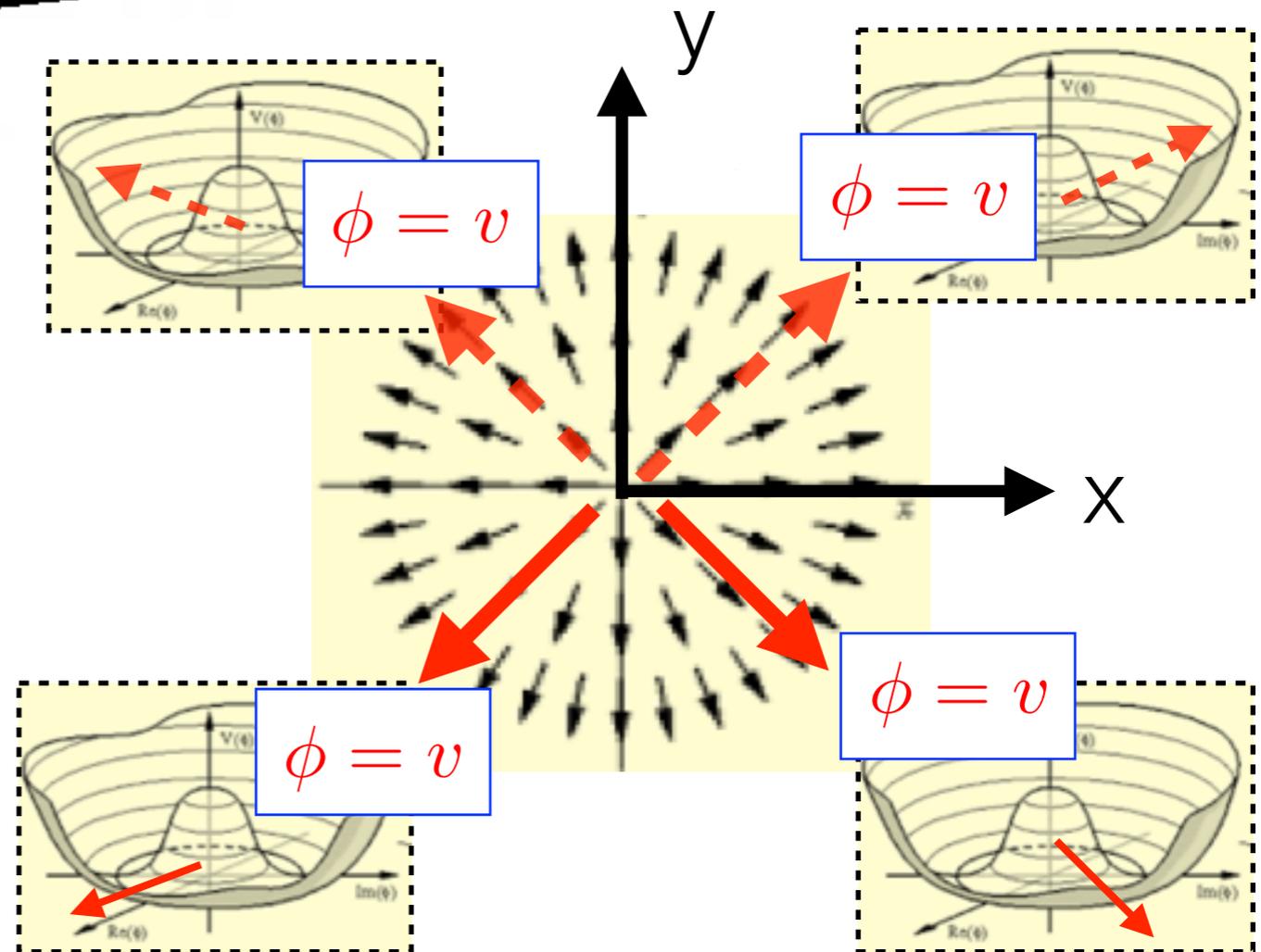
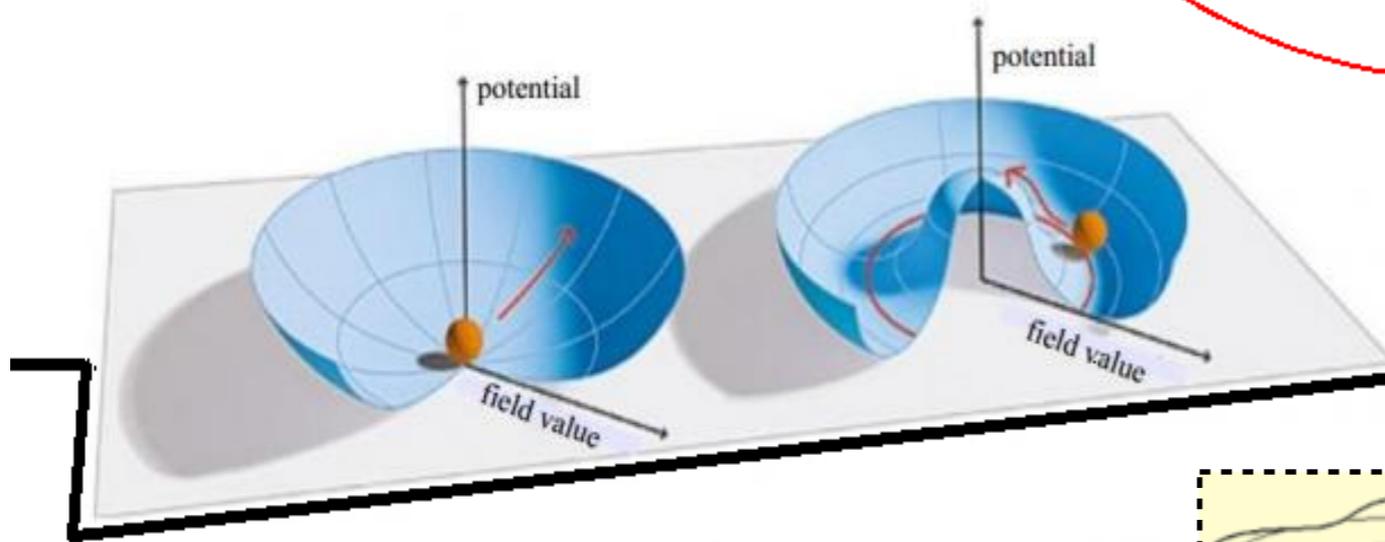


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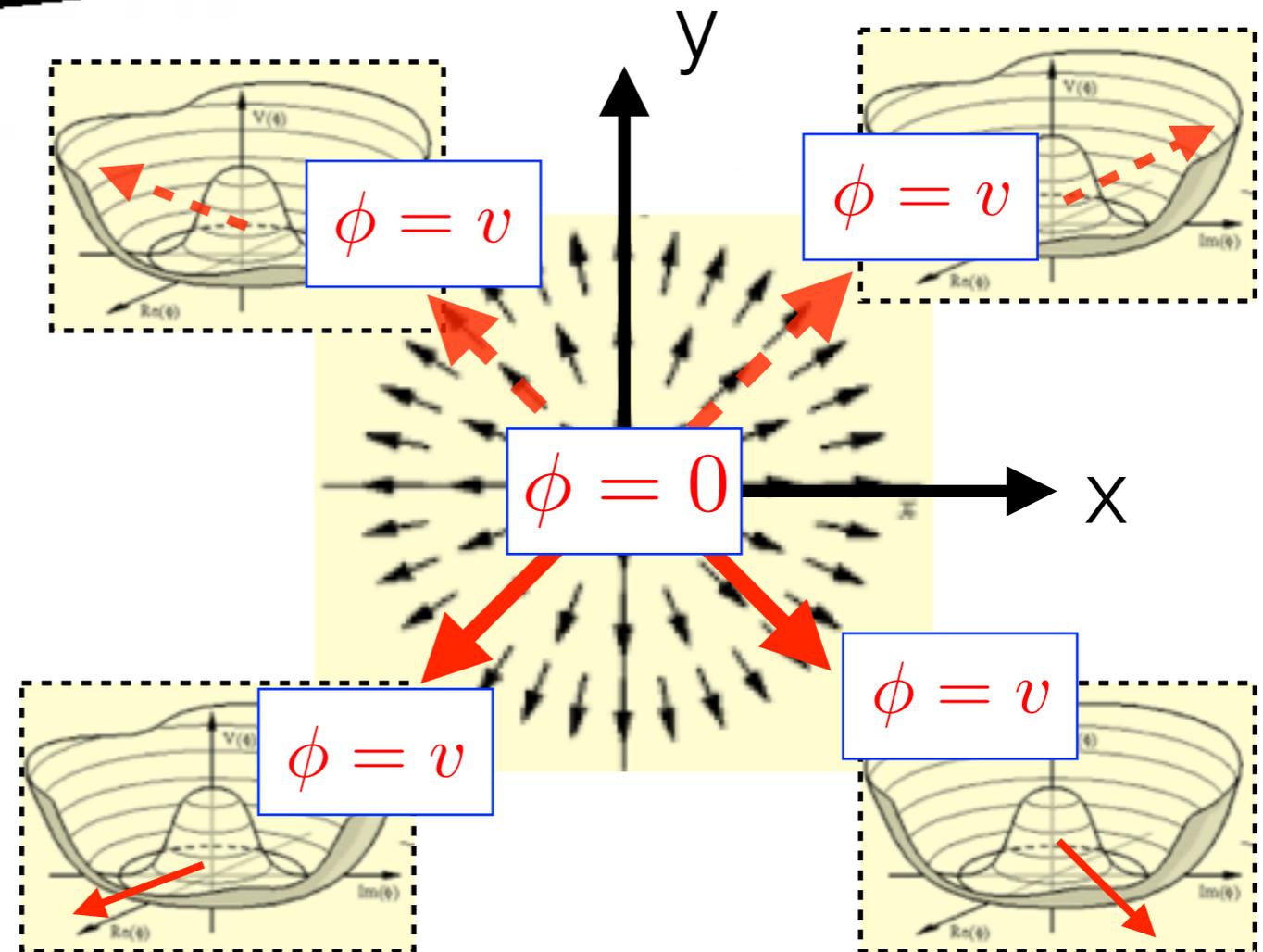
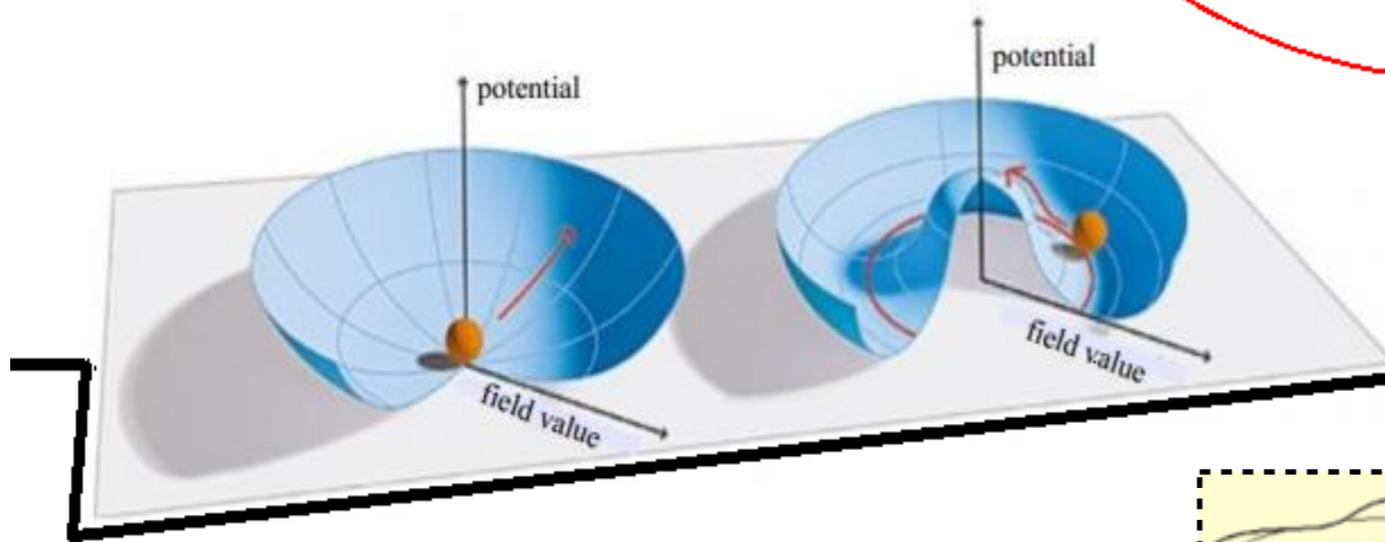


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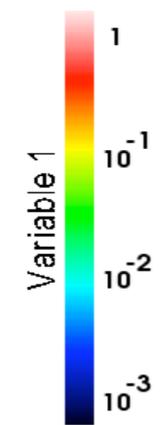
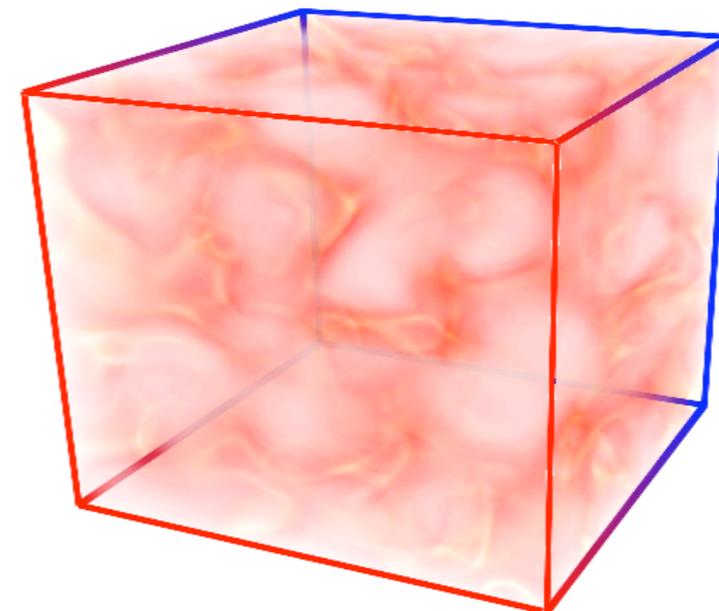
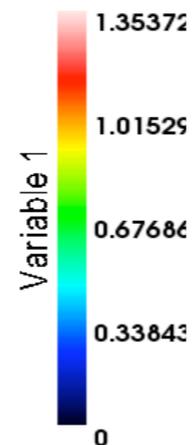
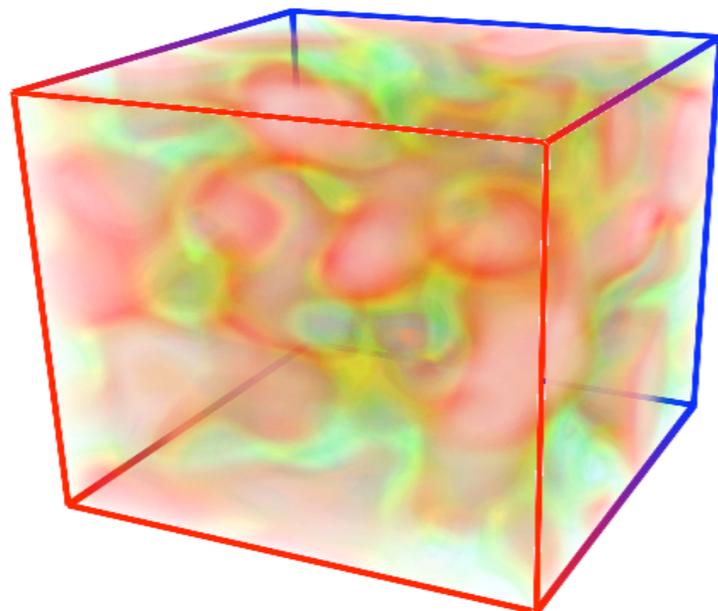
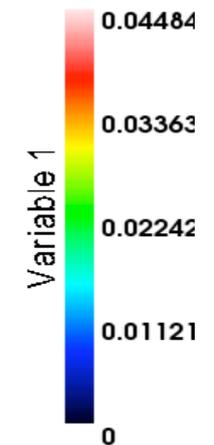
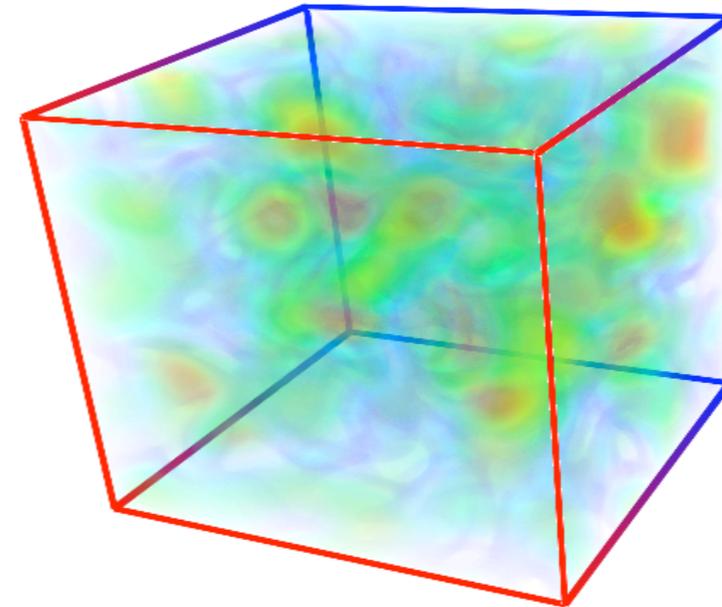
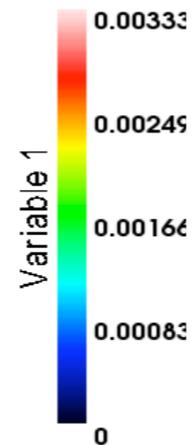
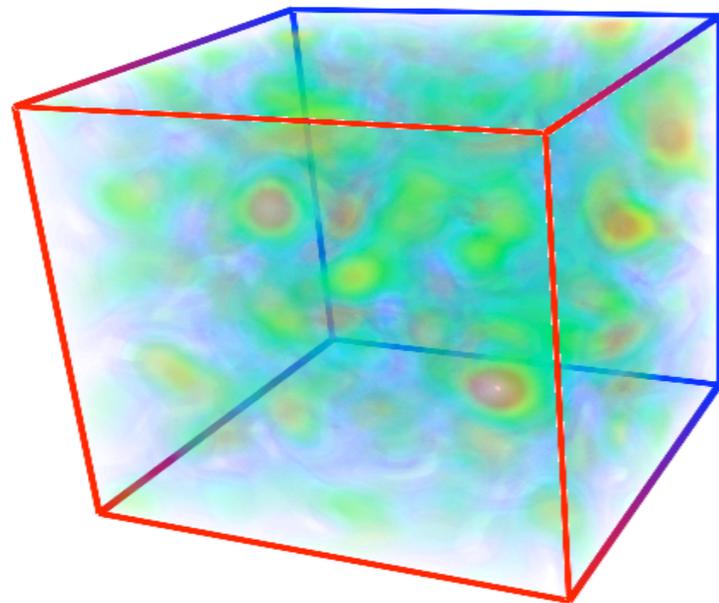
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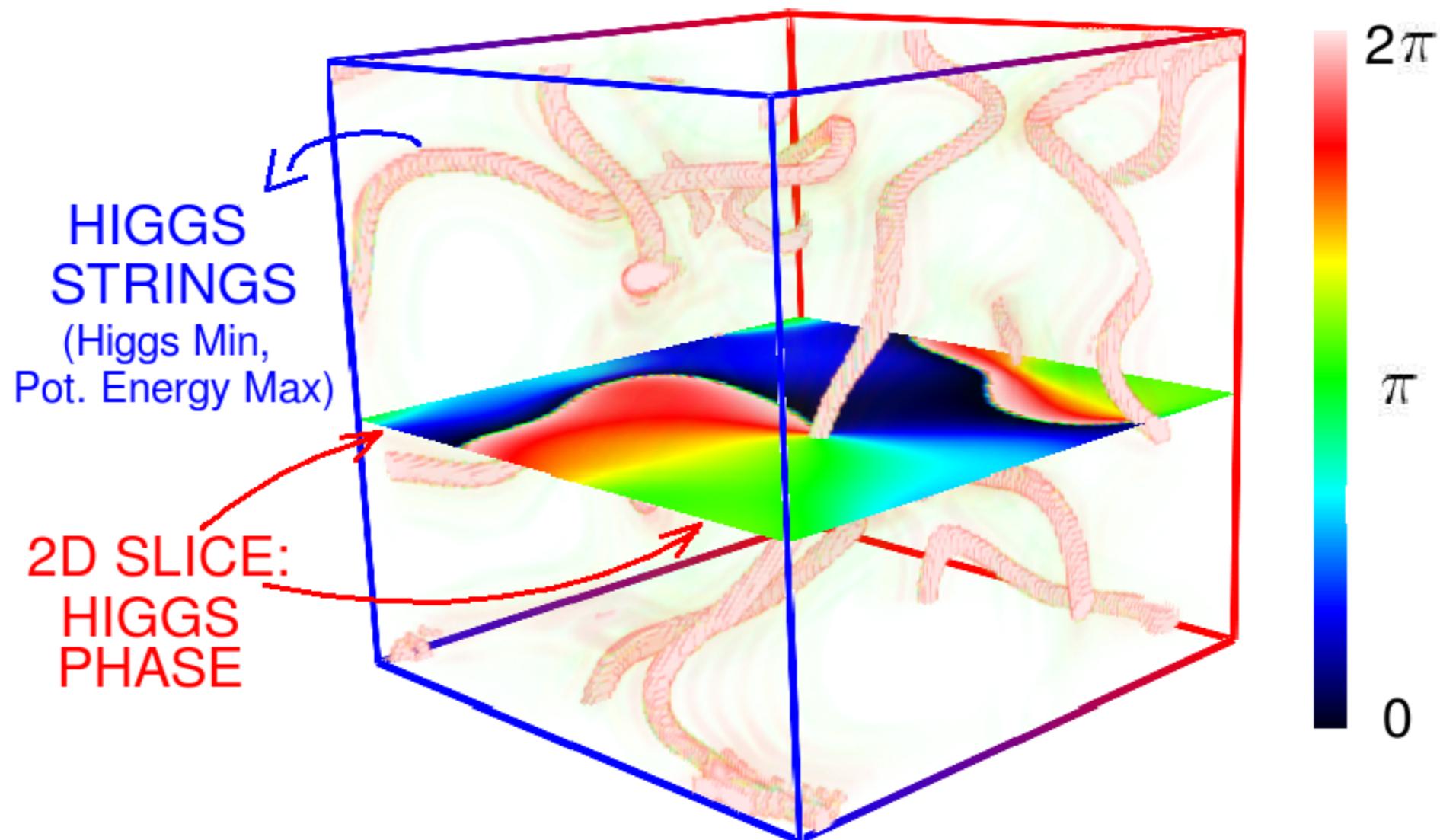
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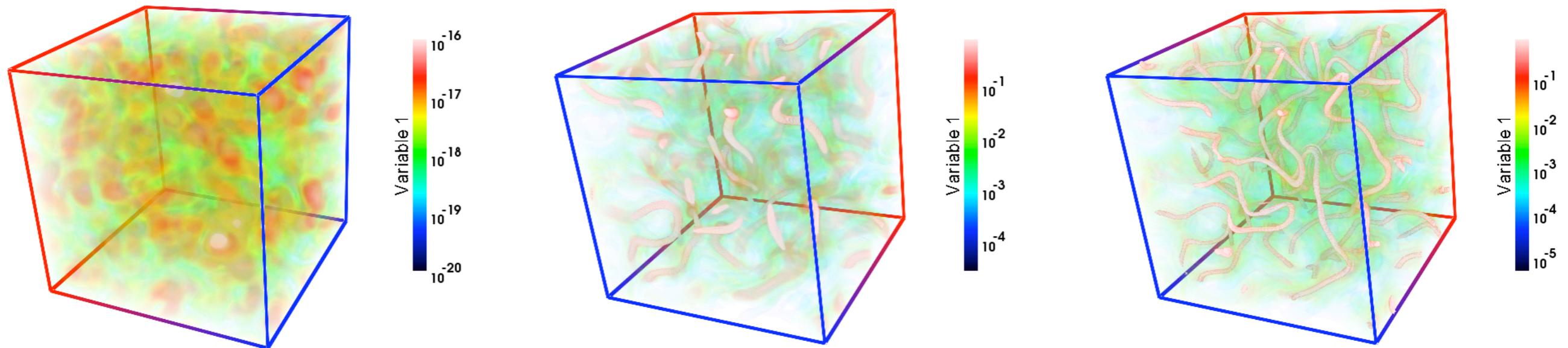
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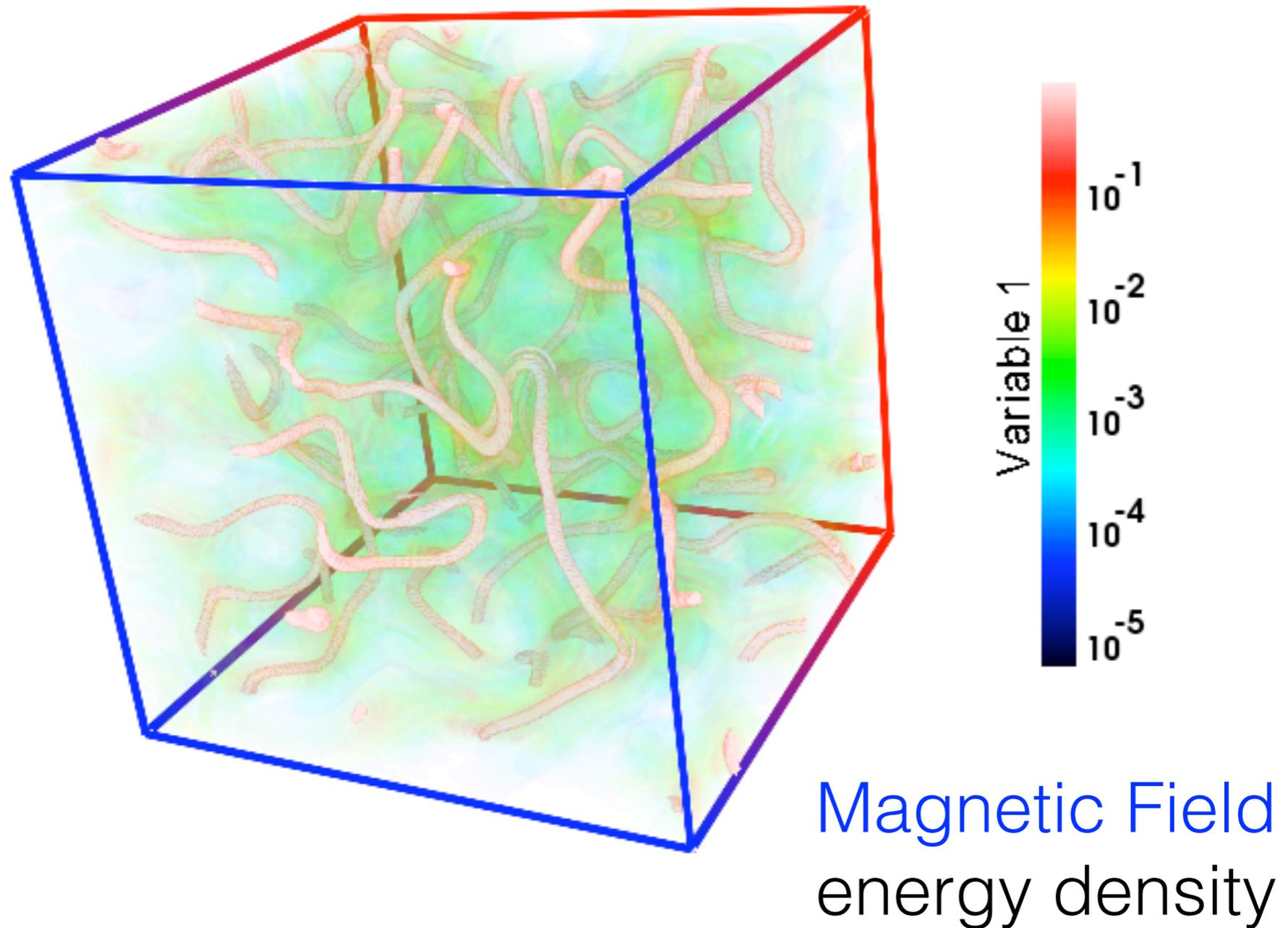
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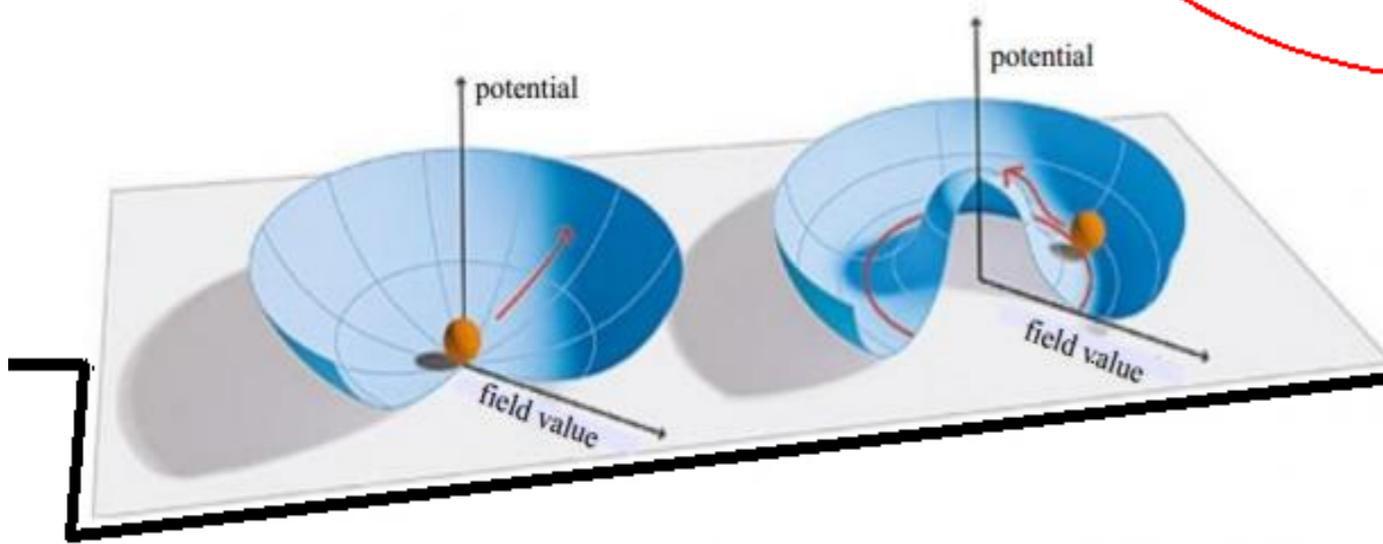


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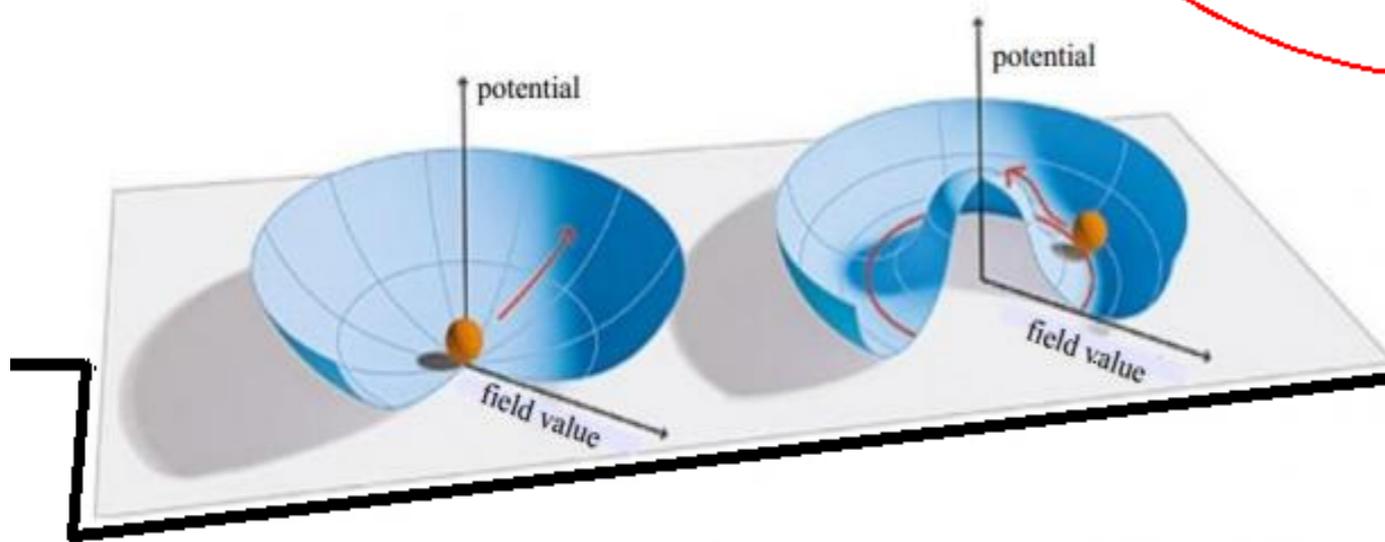


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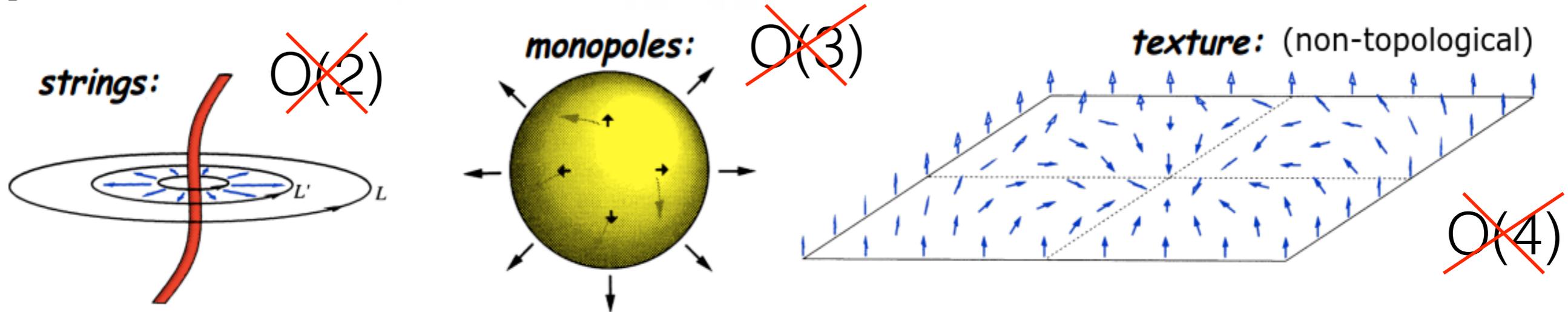
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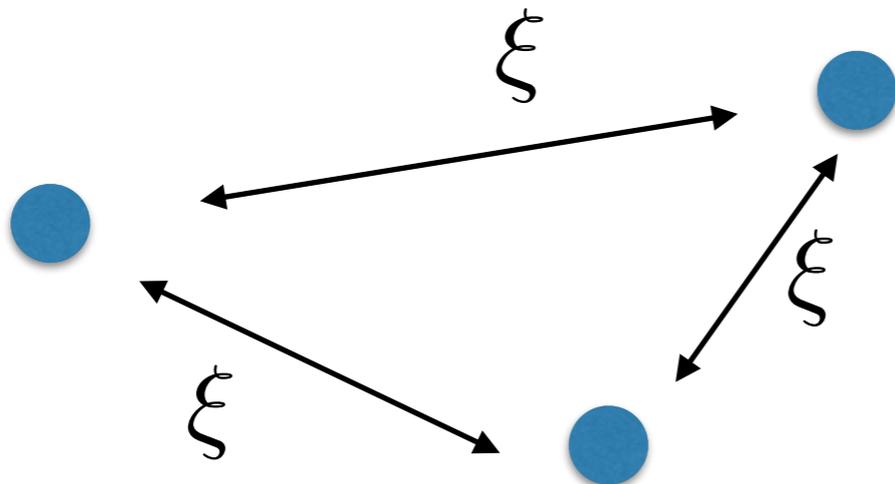
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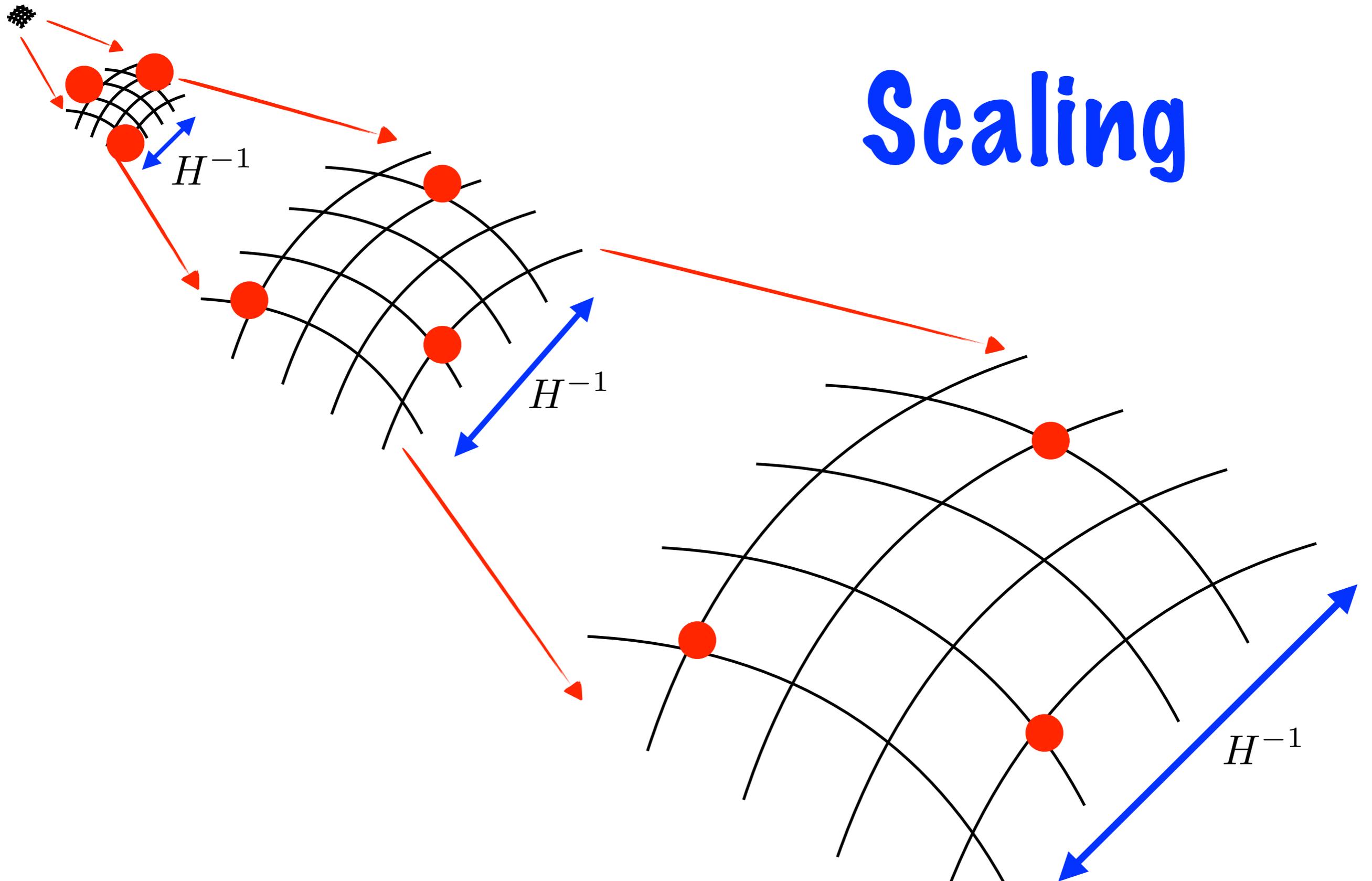
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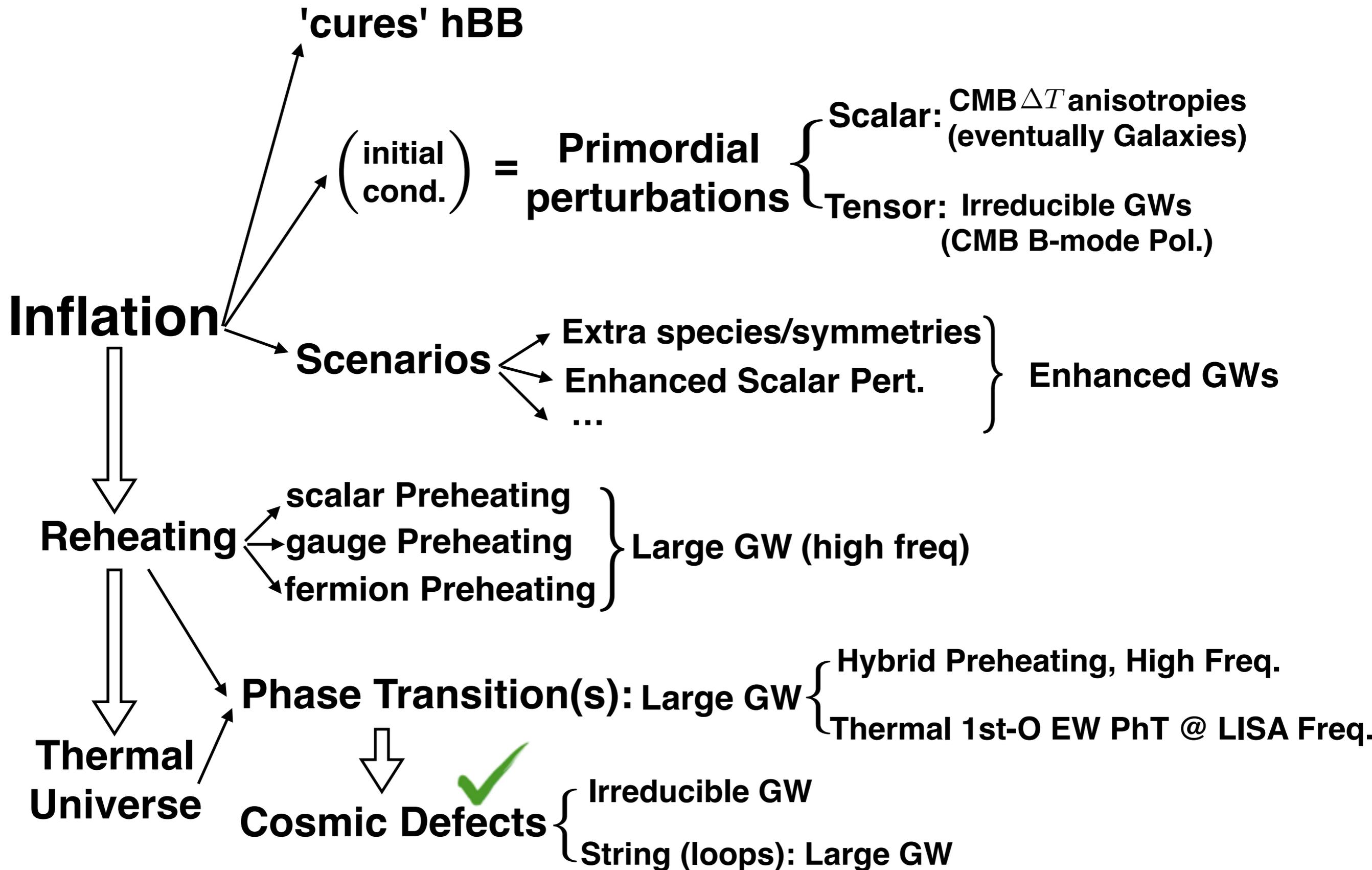
(Kibble' 76)

SCALING:  $\lambda(t) = \text{const.}$   $\rightarrow$   $\lambda \sim 1$   $\Rightarrow$   $k/\mathcal{H} = kt$   
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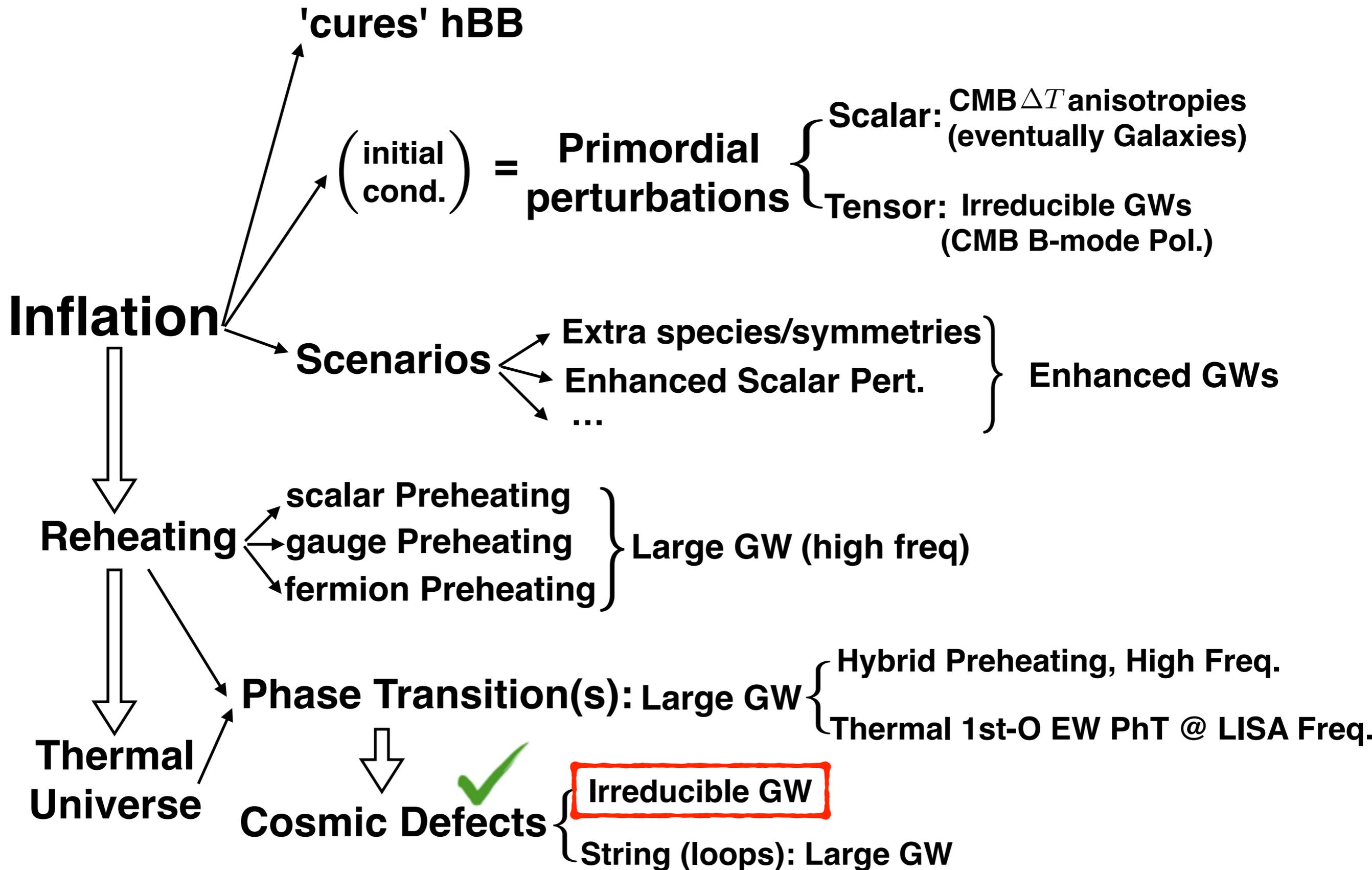
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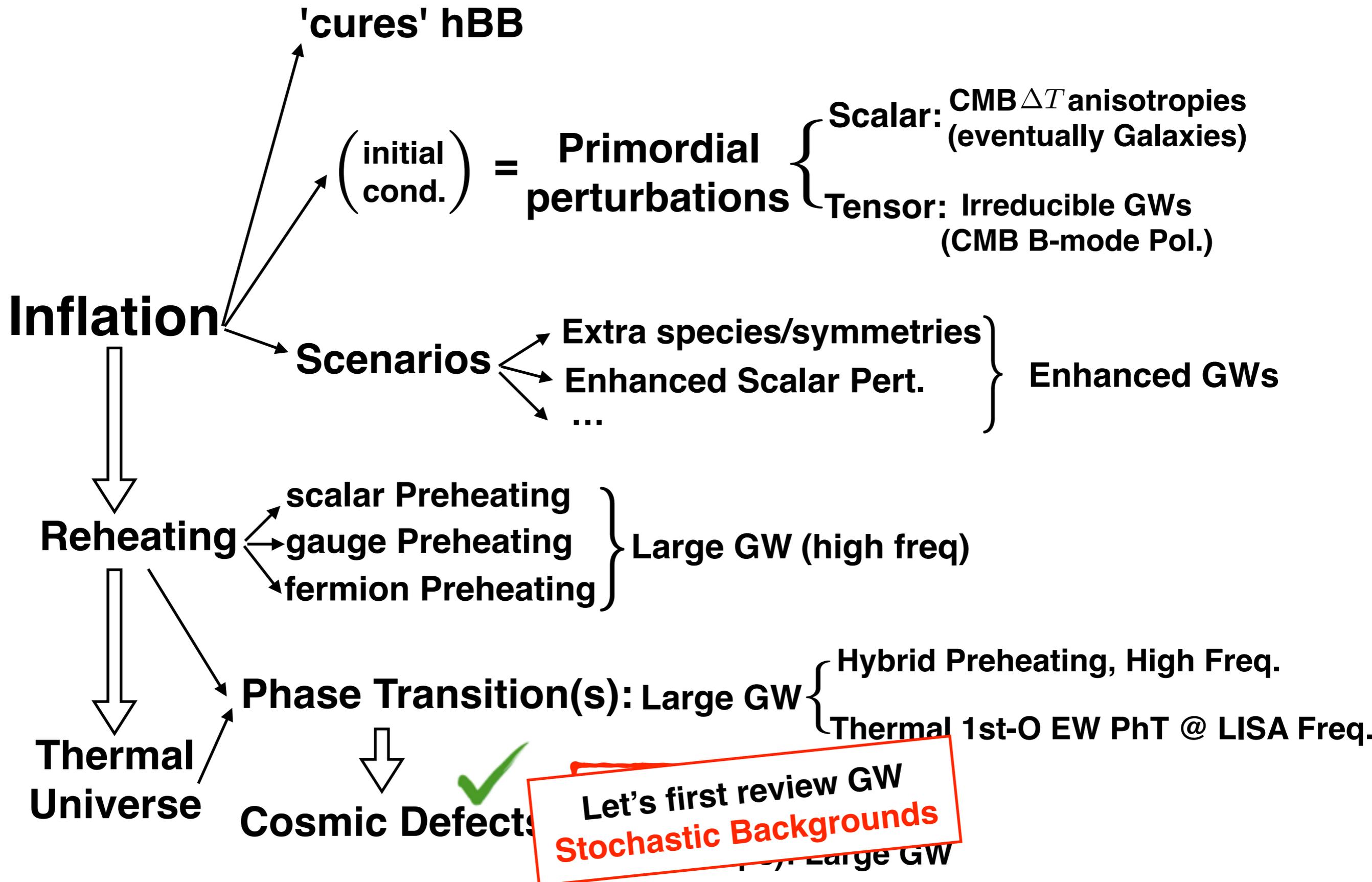
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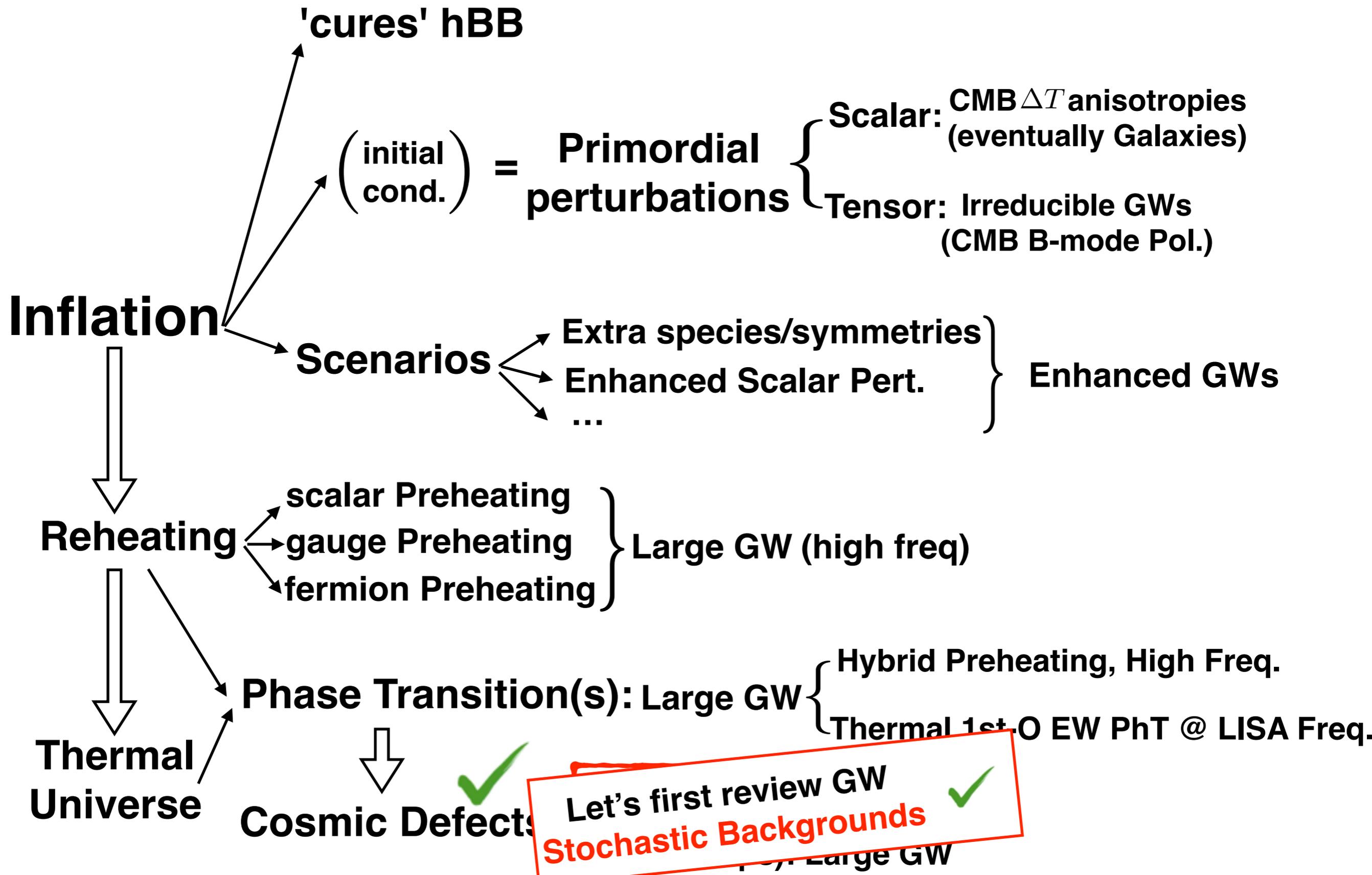
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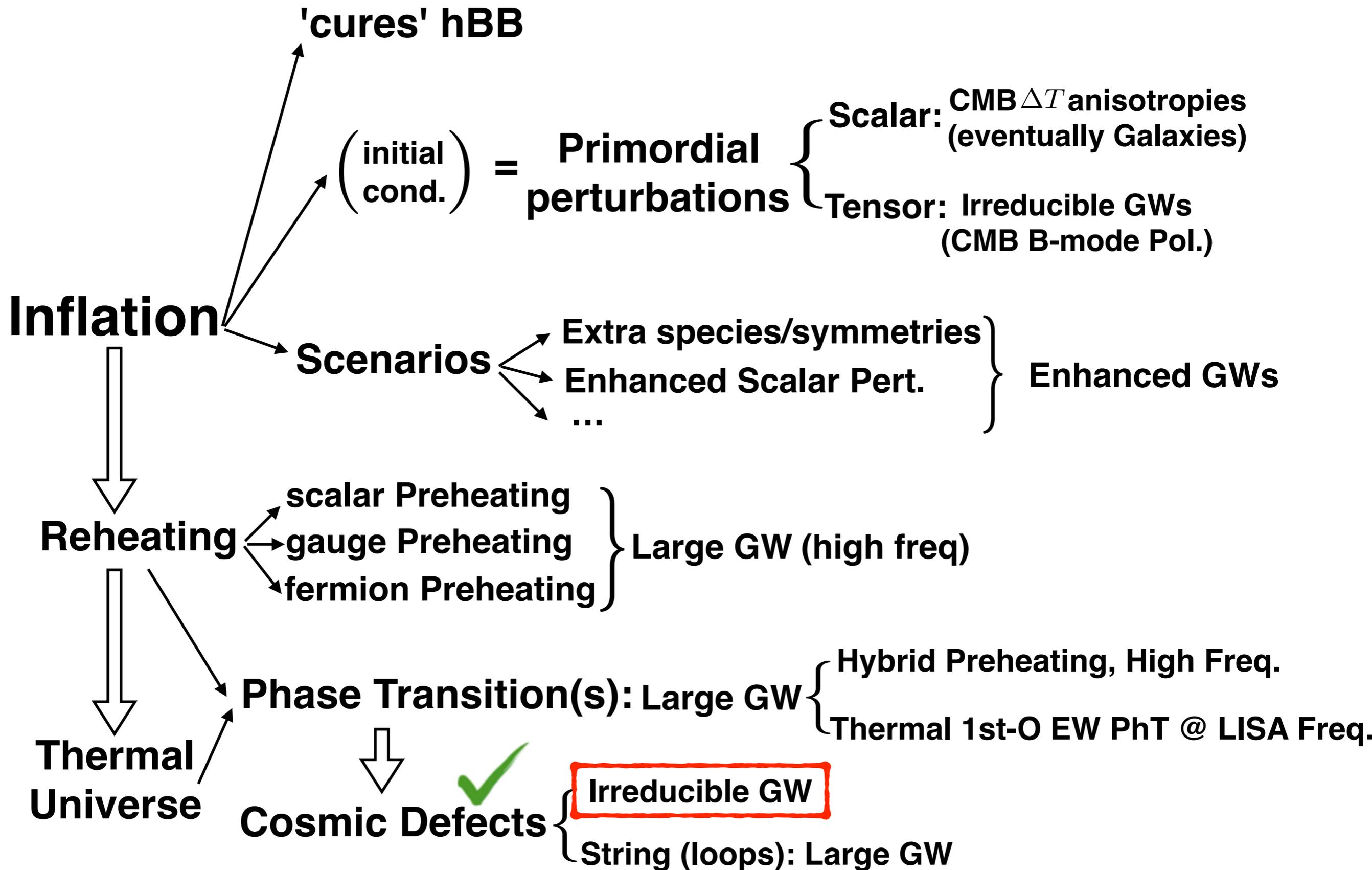
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Let's first review GW  
**Stochastic Backgrounds** ✓

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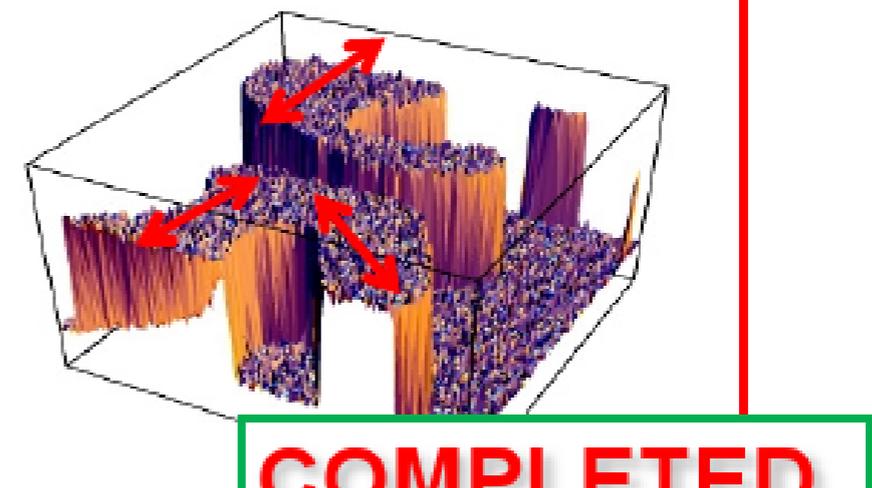
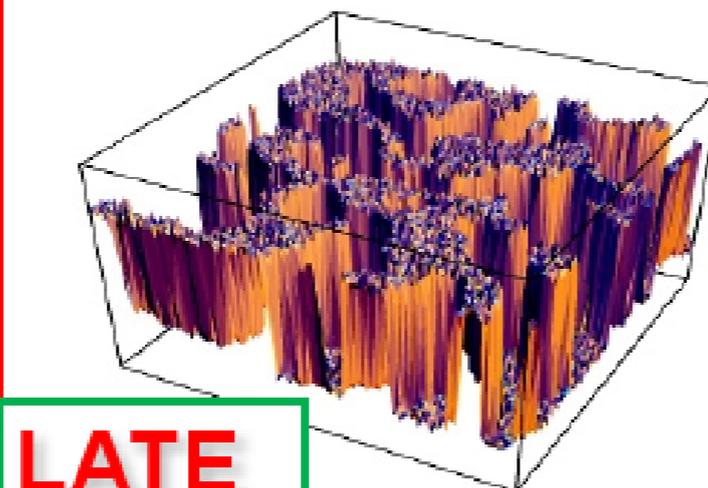
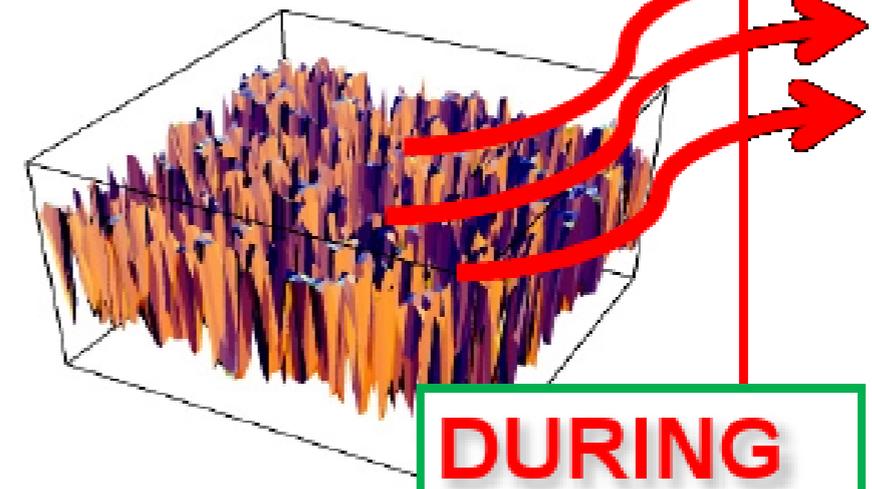
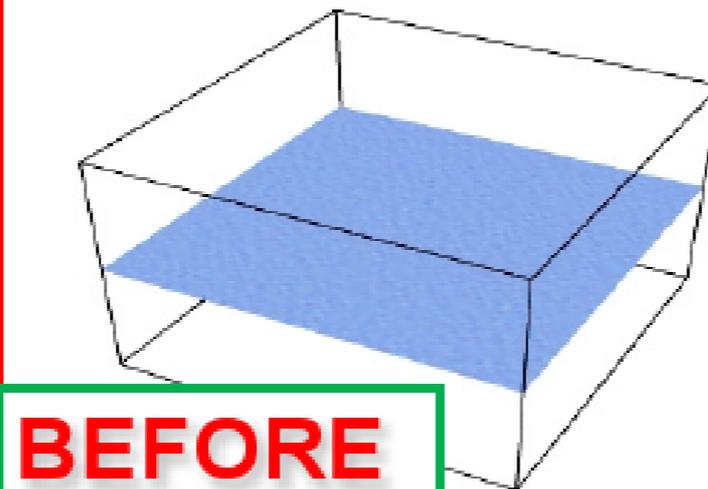
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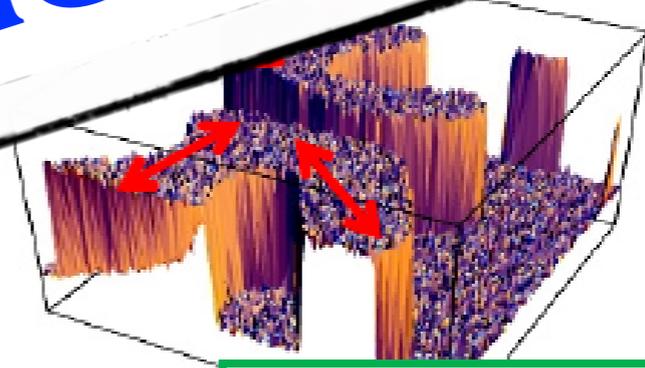
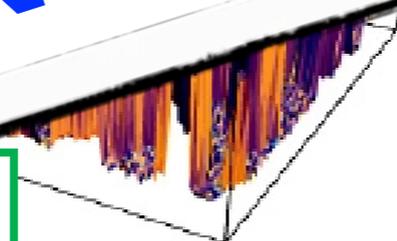
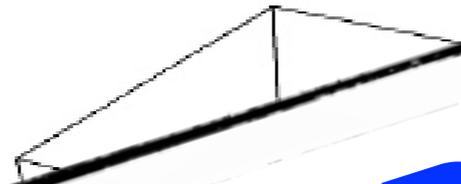
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**GW from PhT dynamics**  
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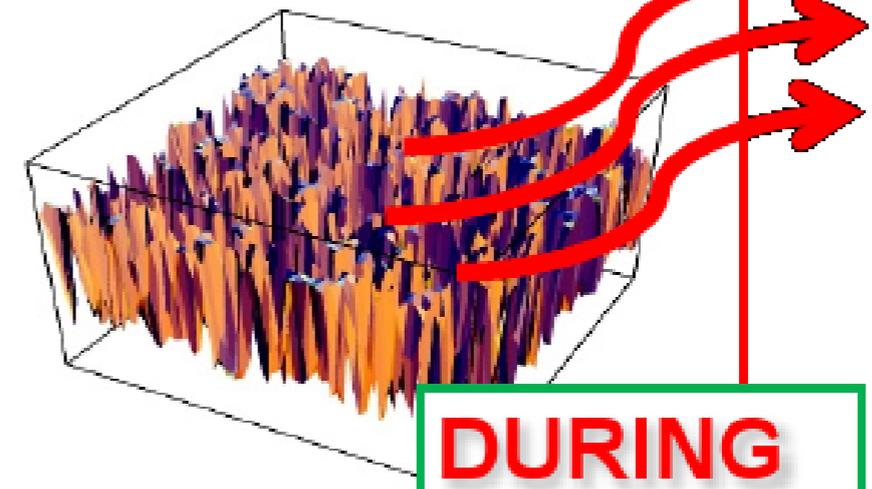
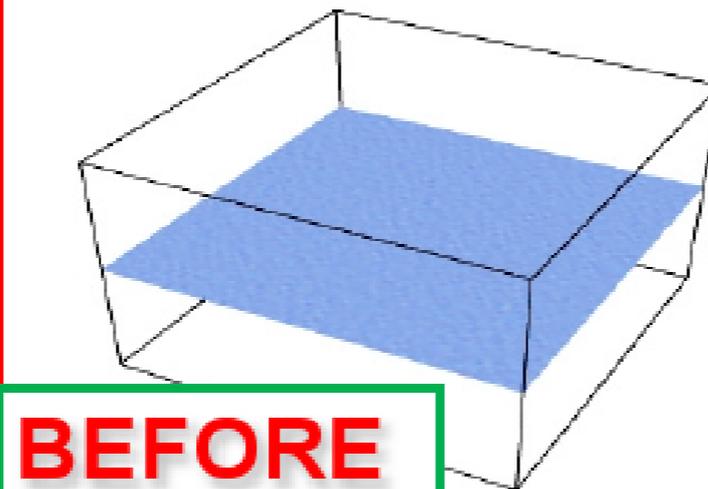
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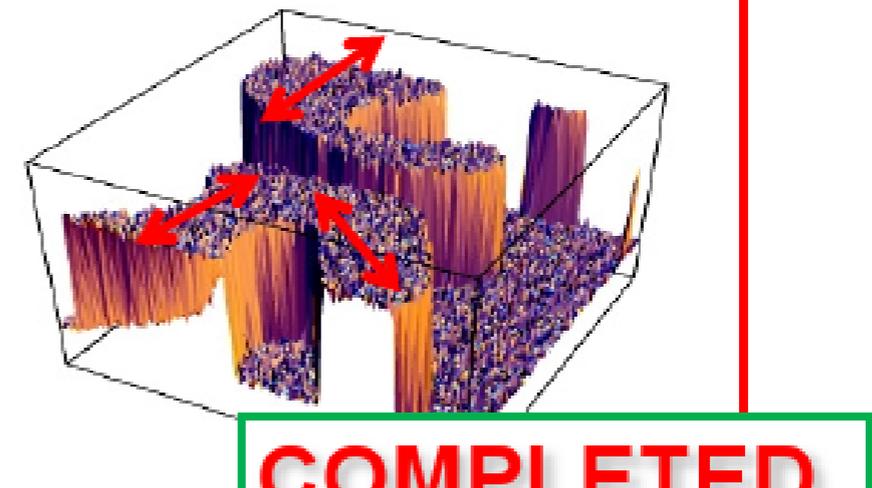
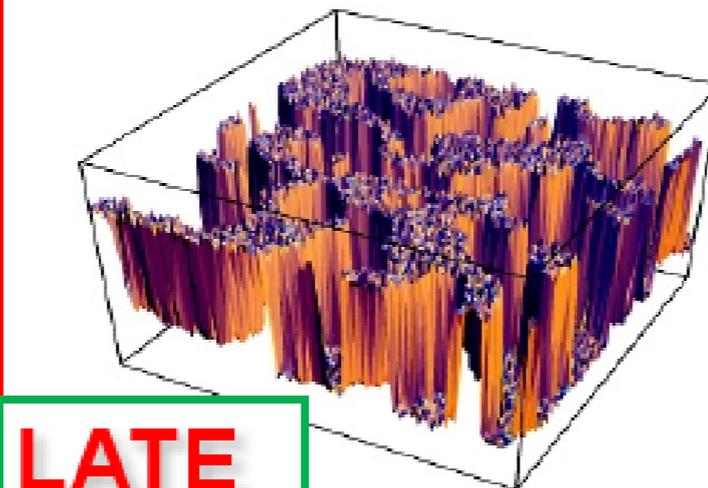
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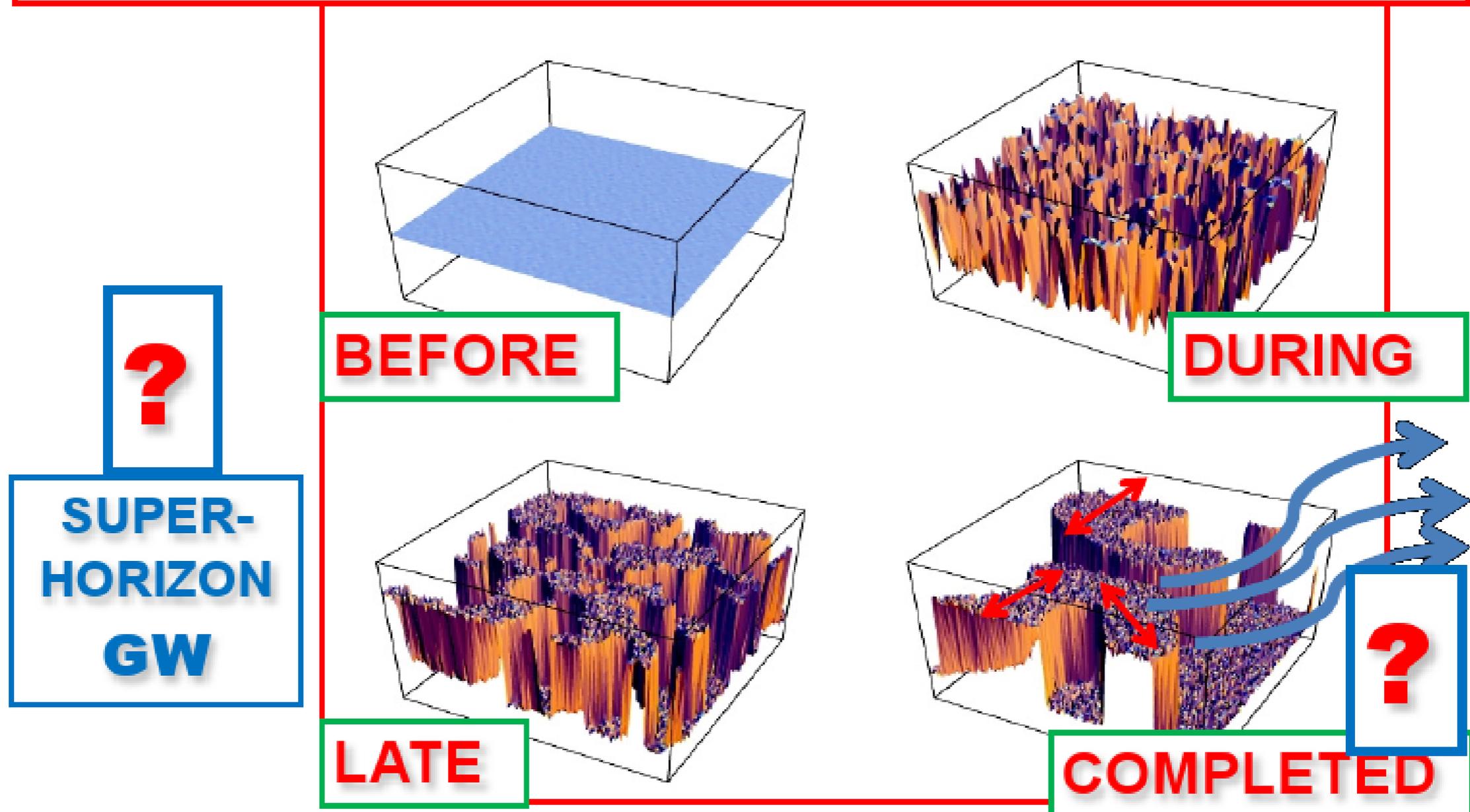


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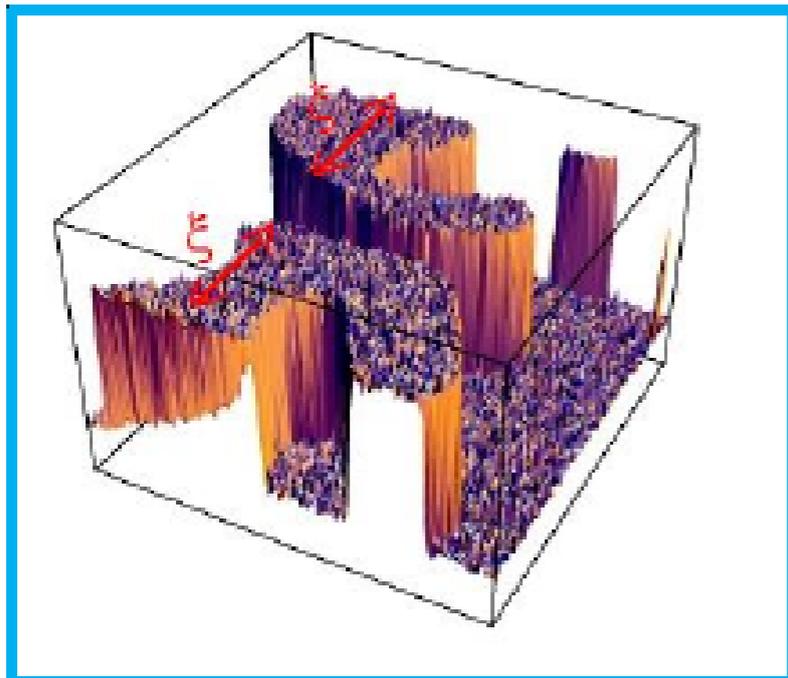
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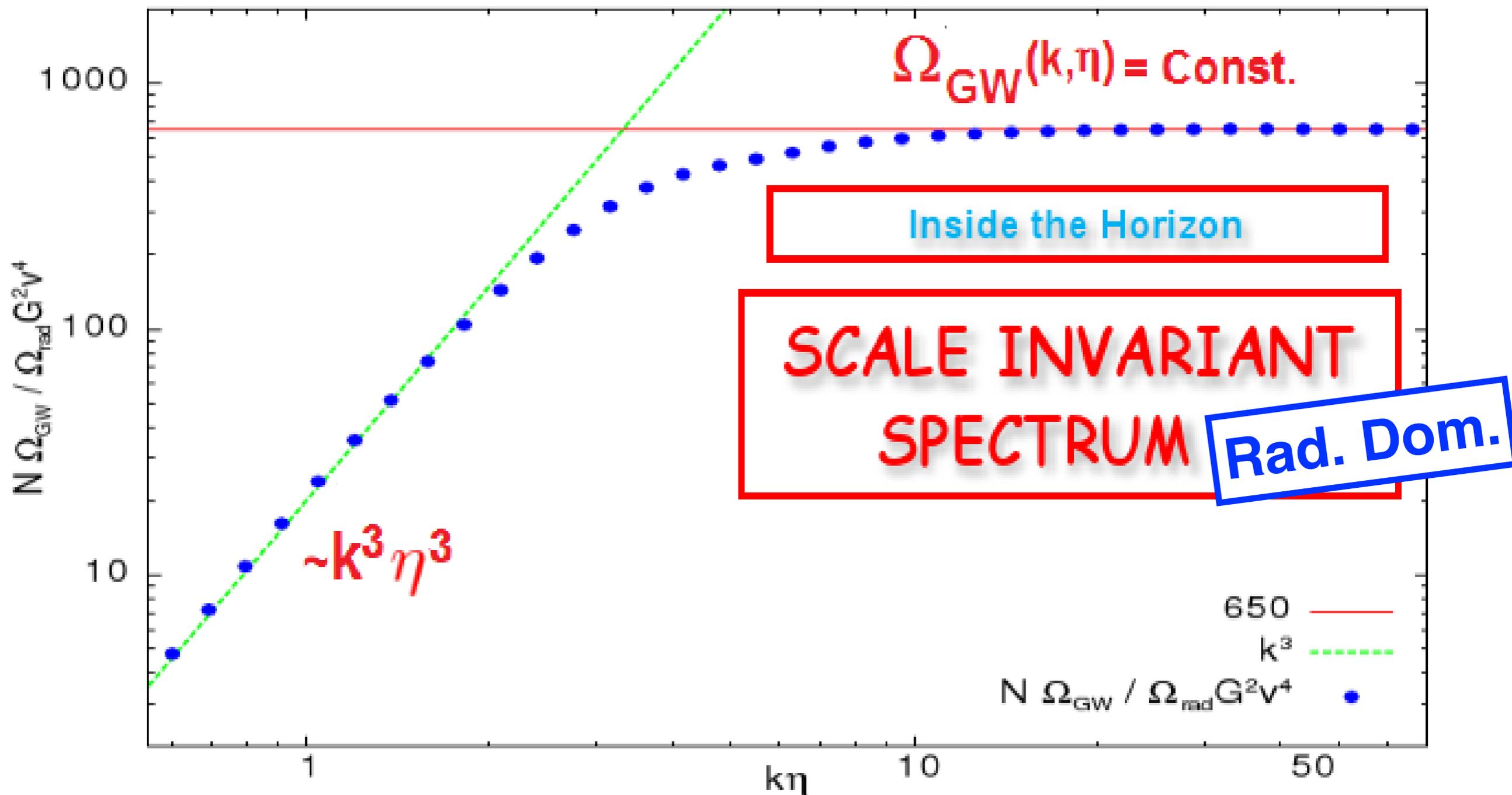
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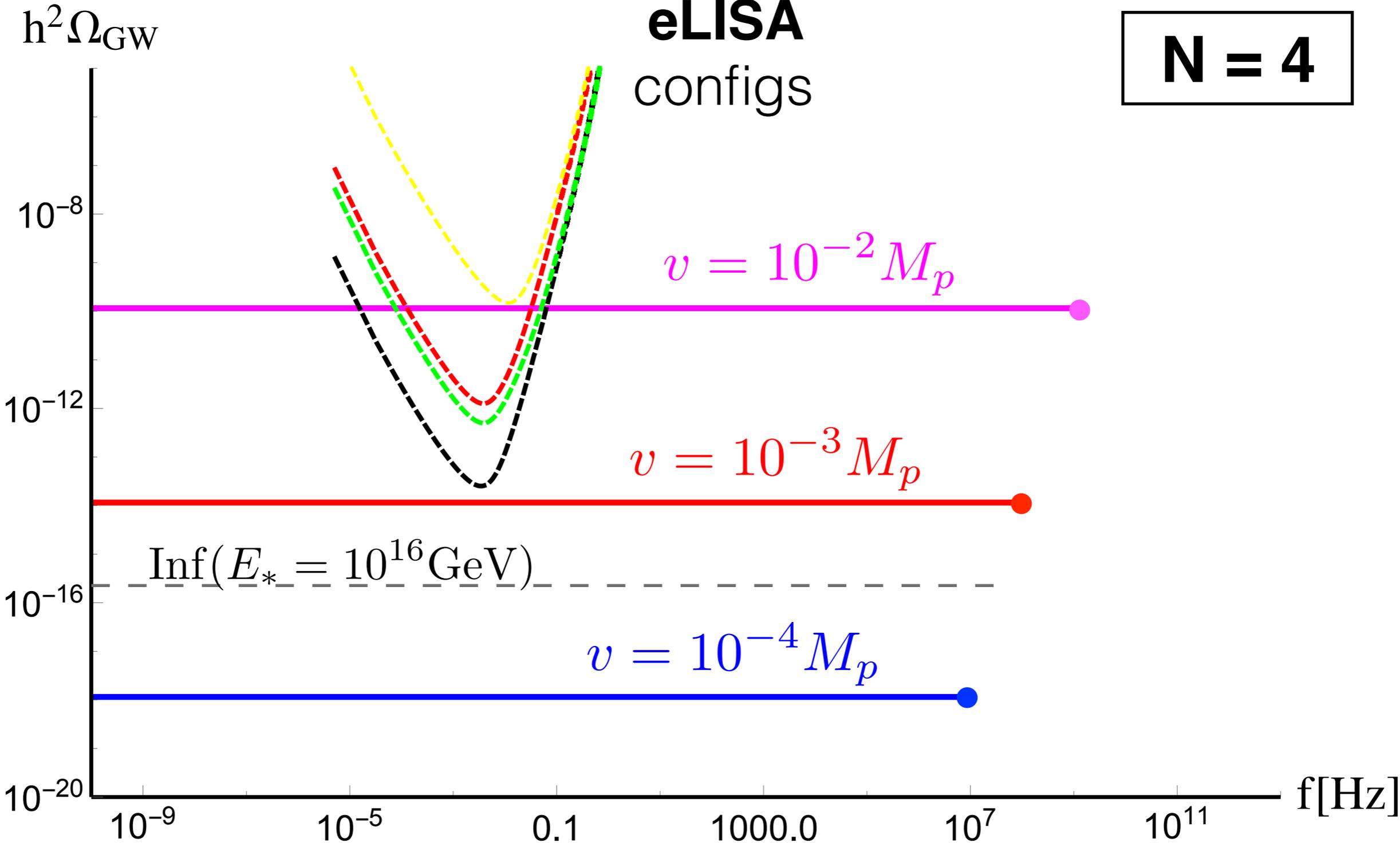
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*Jones-Smith et al 2008, Fenu et al 2008*

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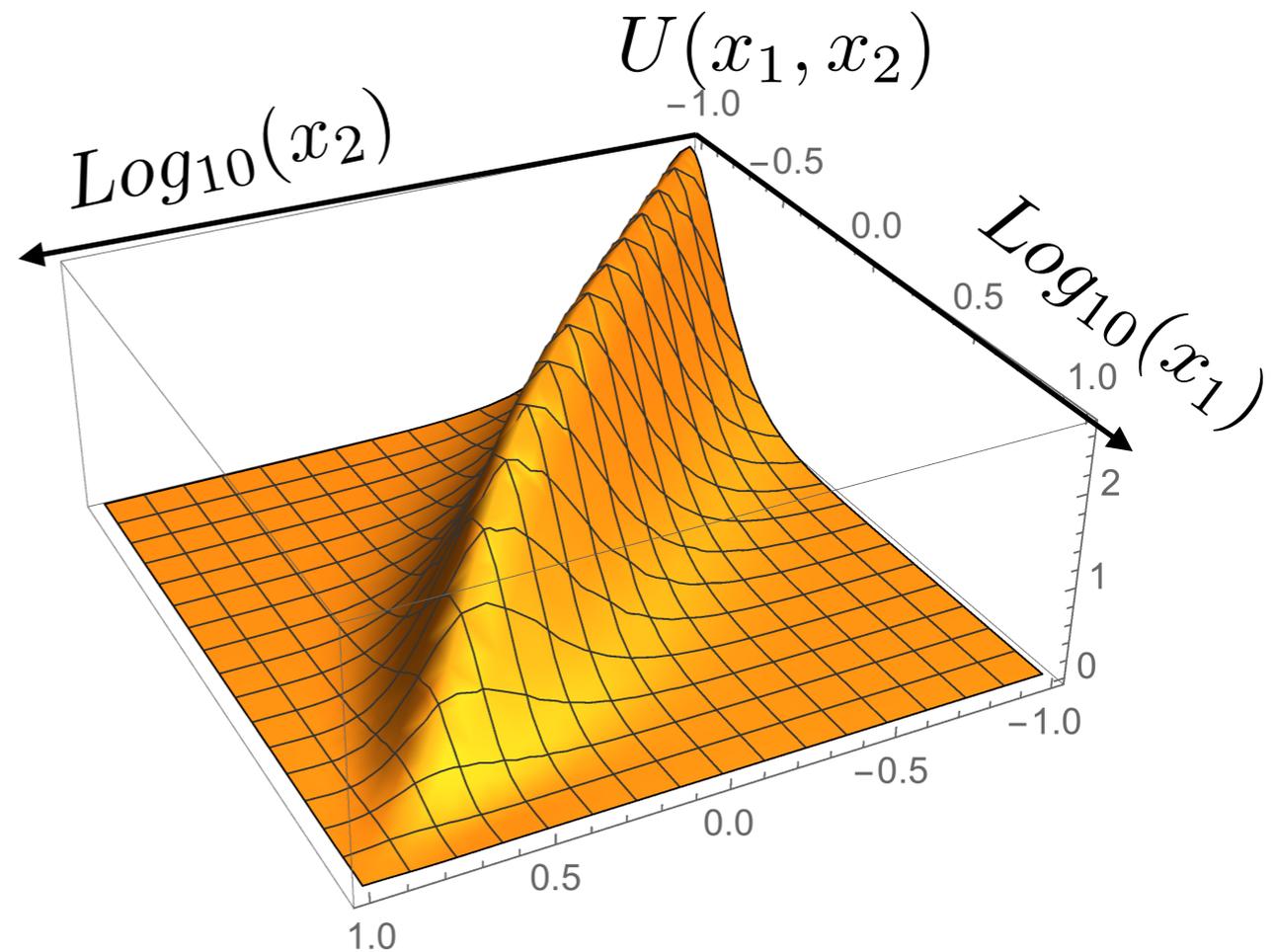
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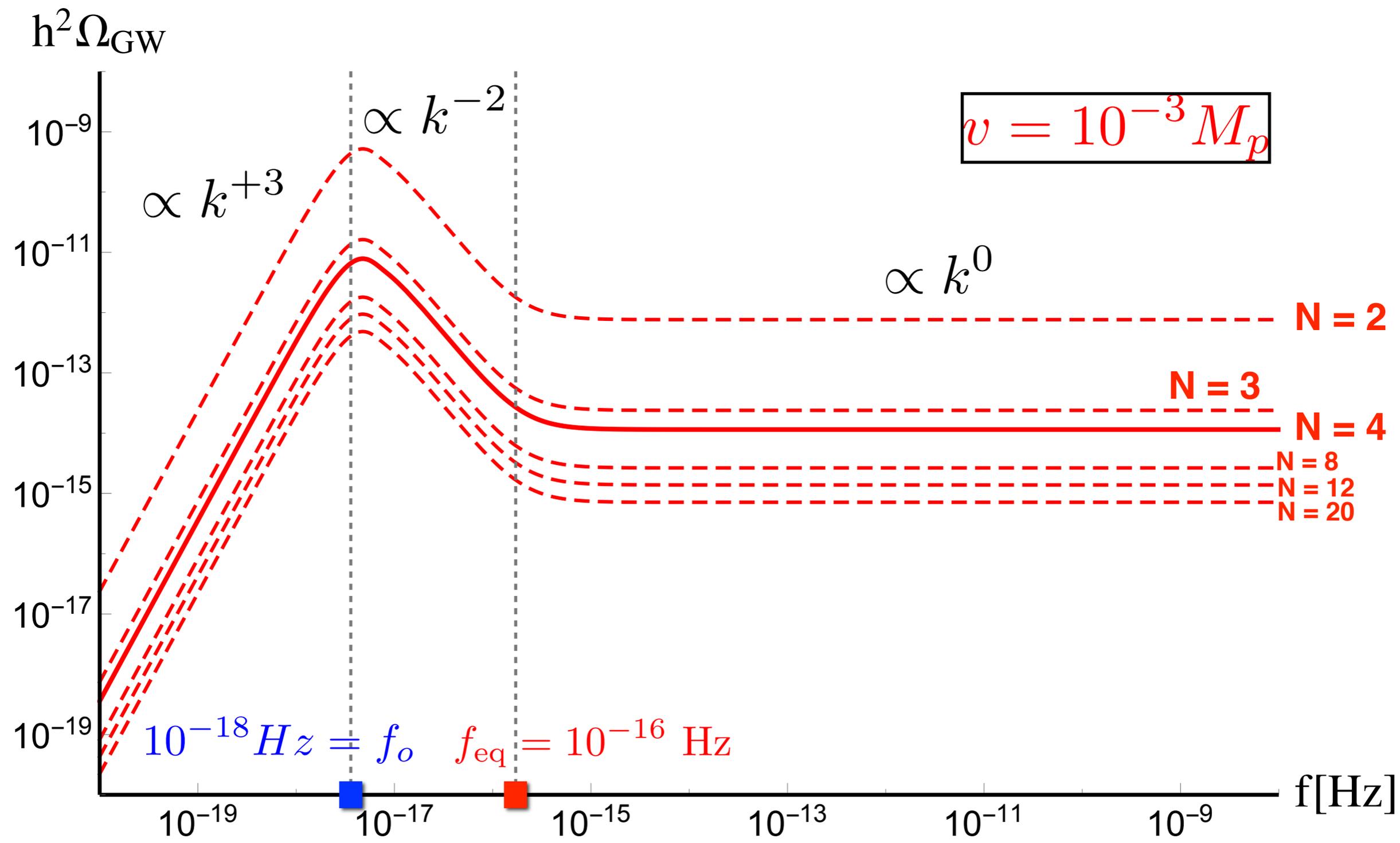
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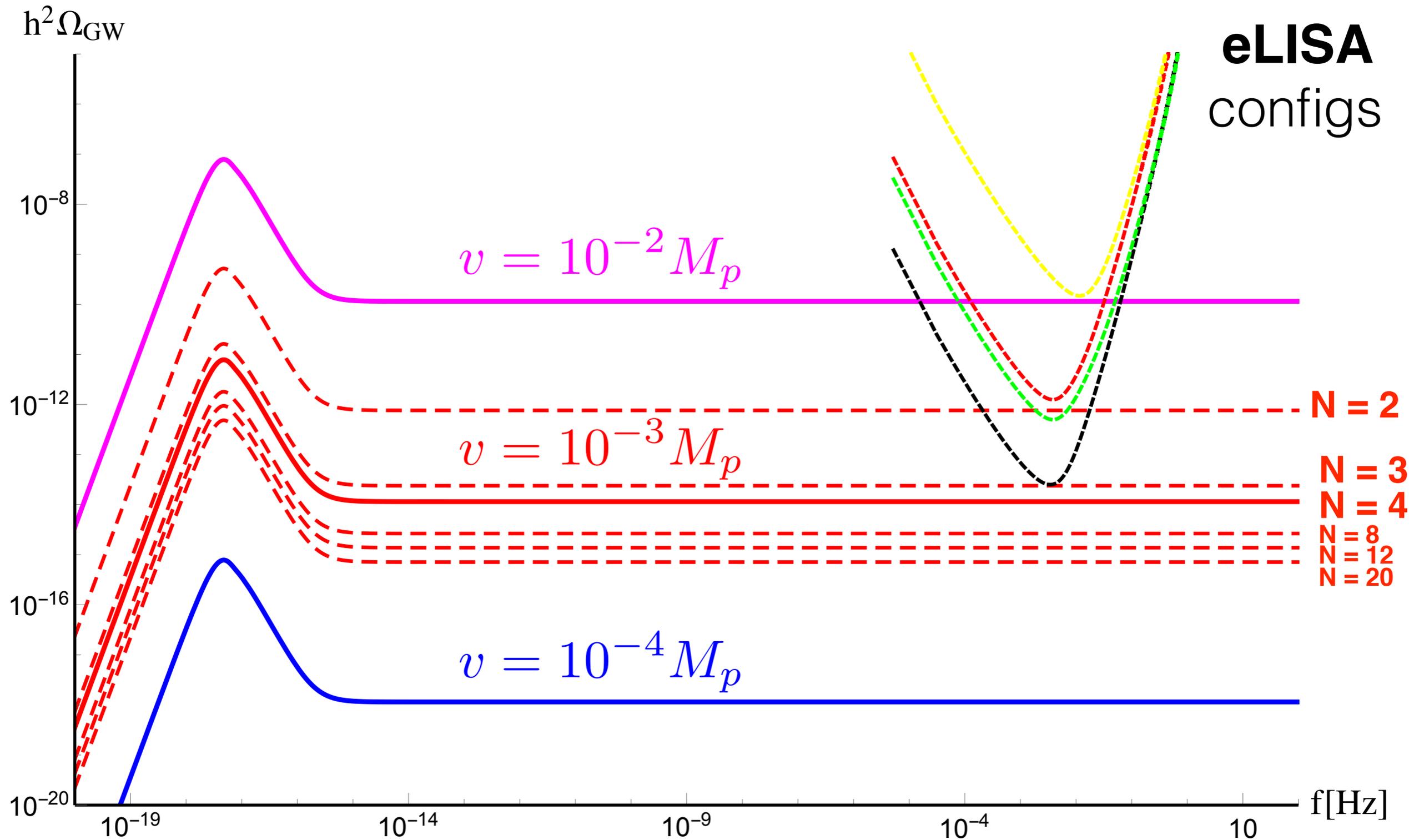
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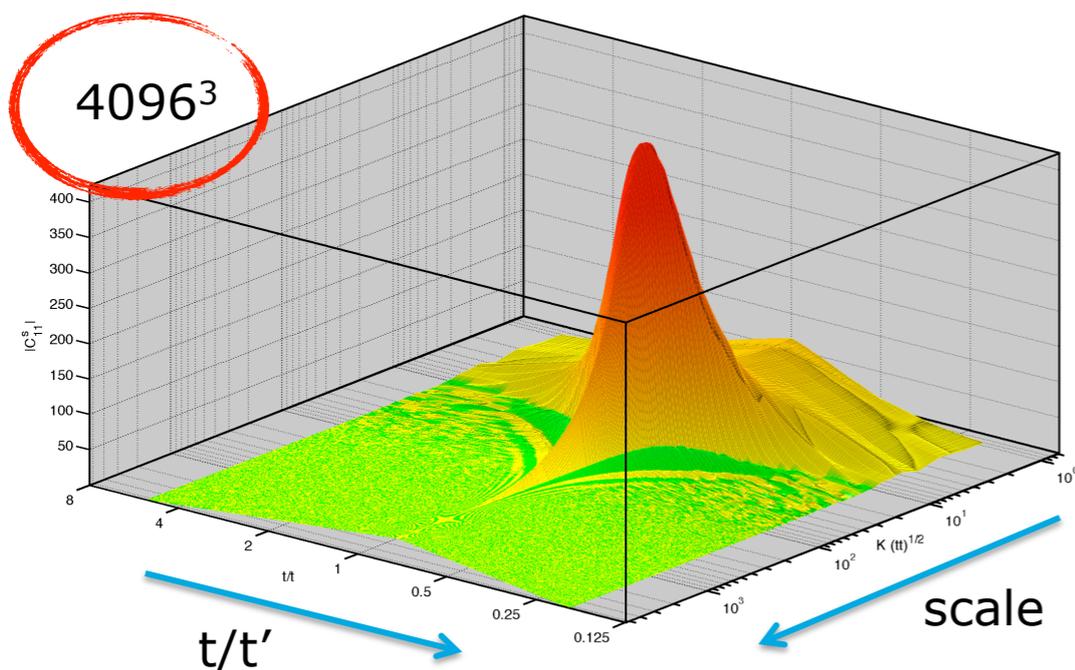
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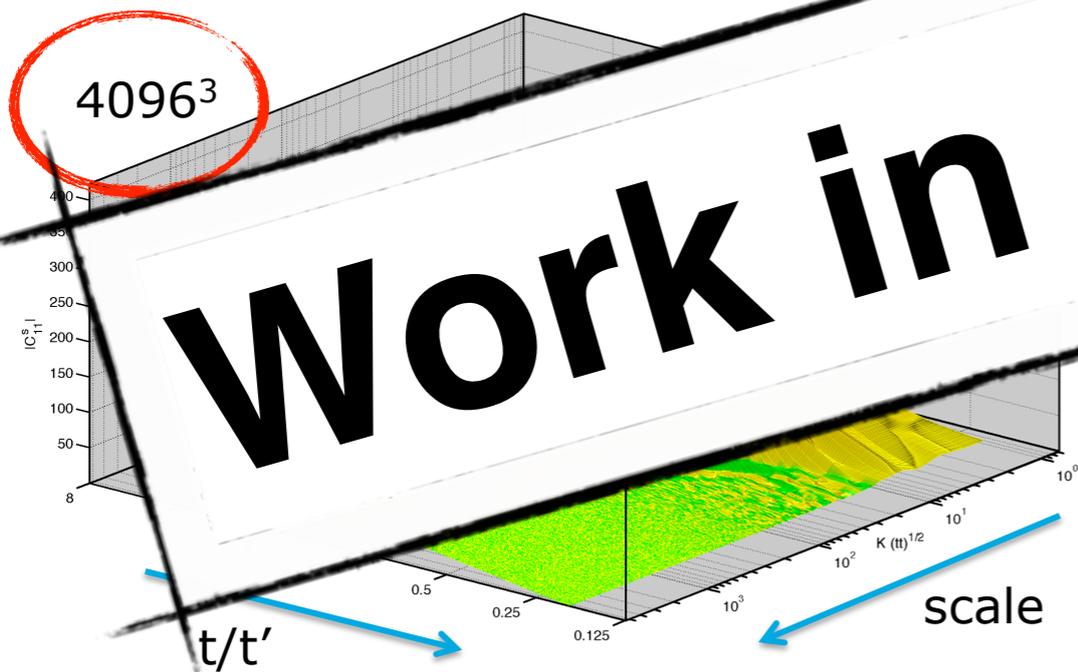
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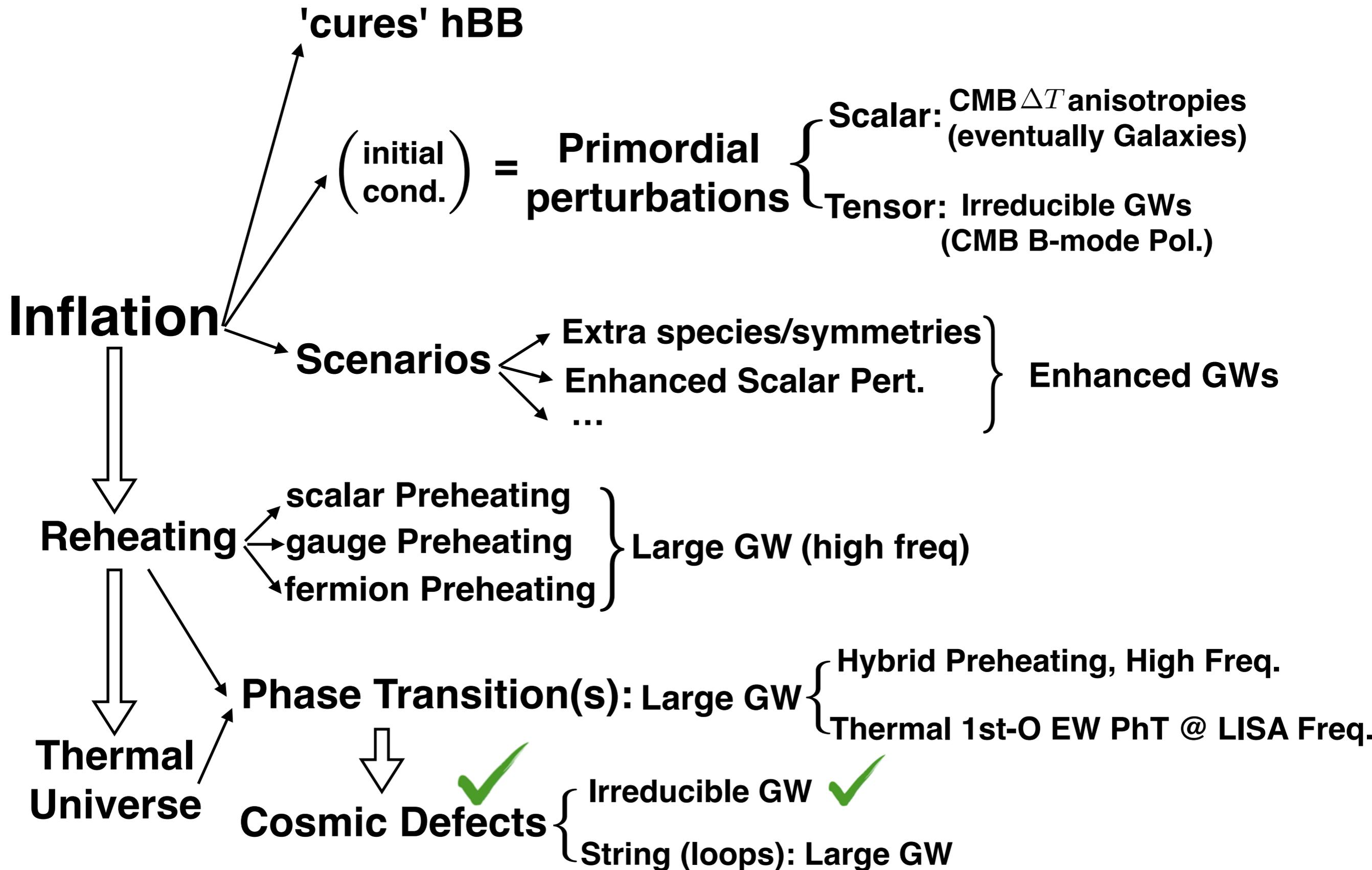
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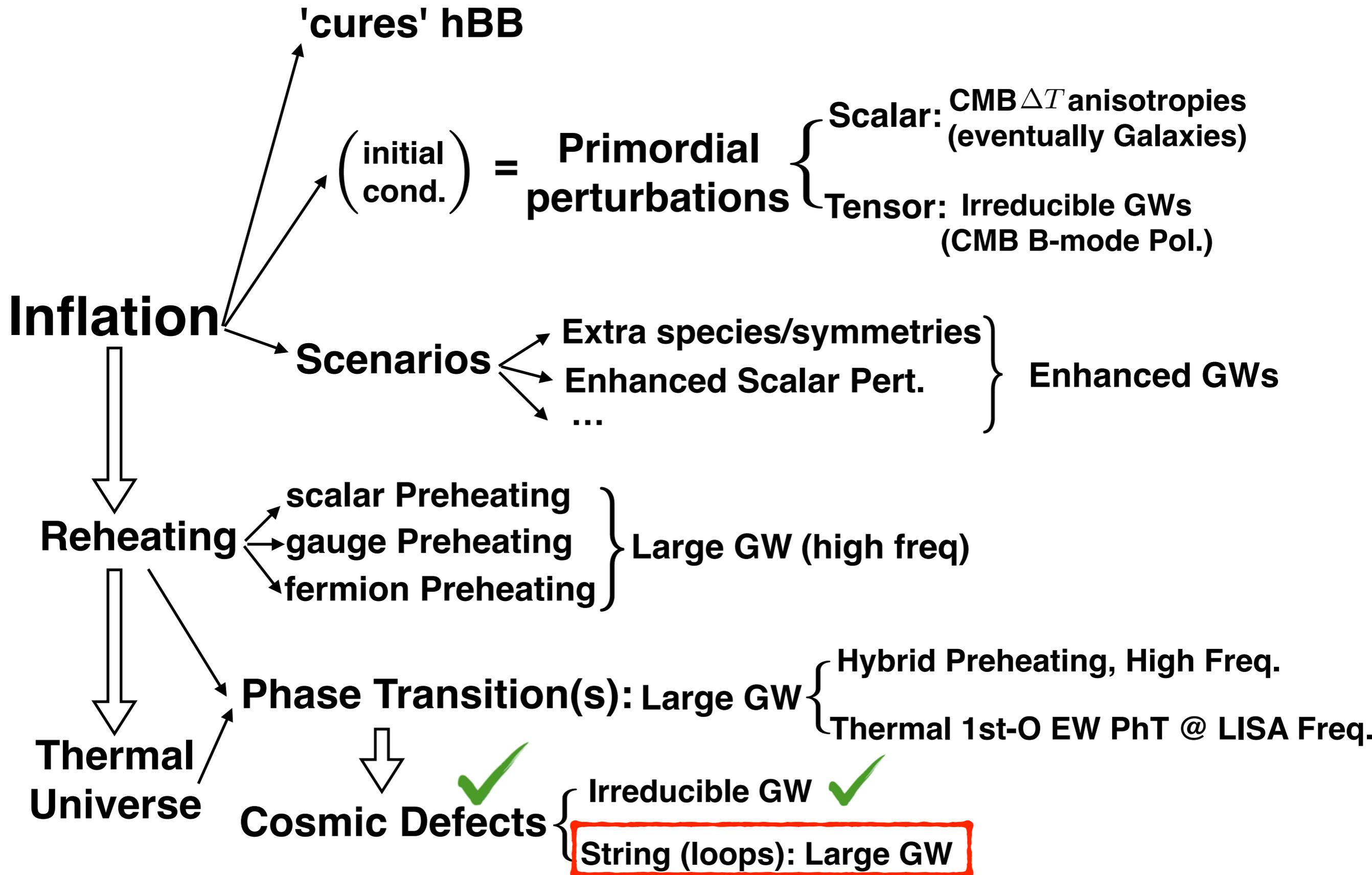
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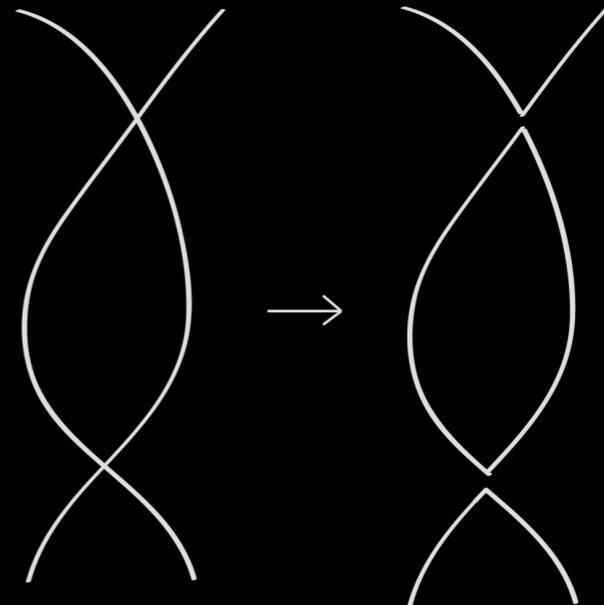
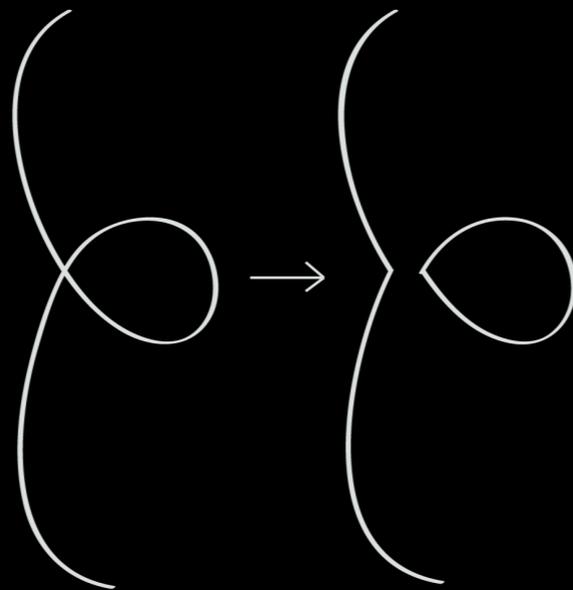


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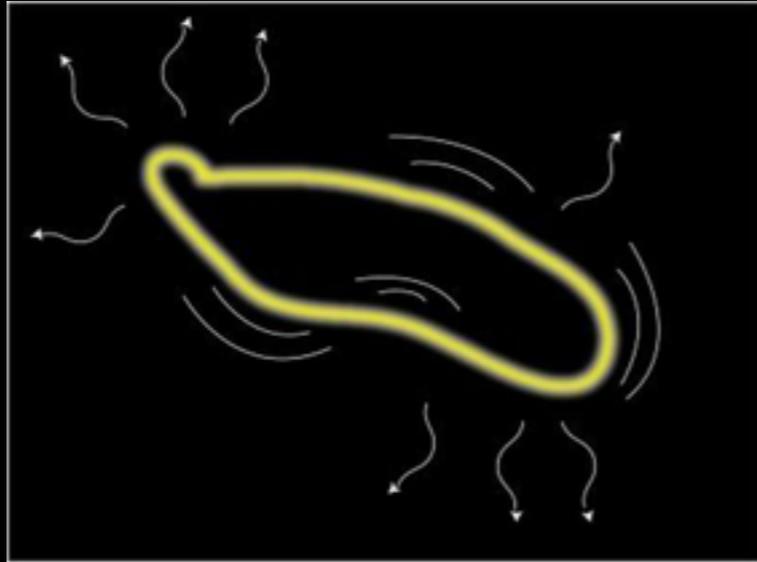
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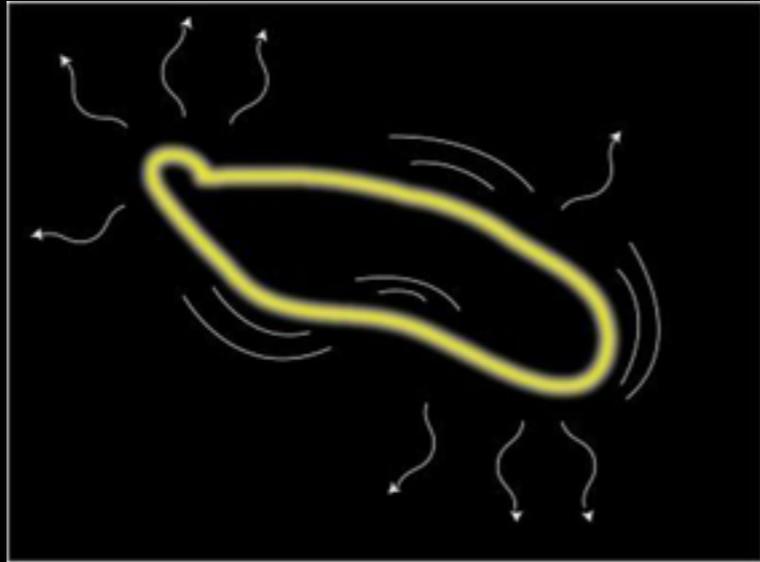
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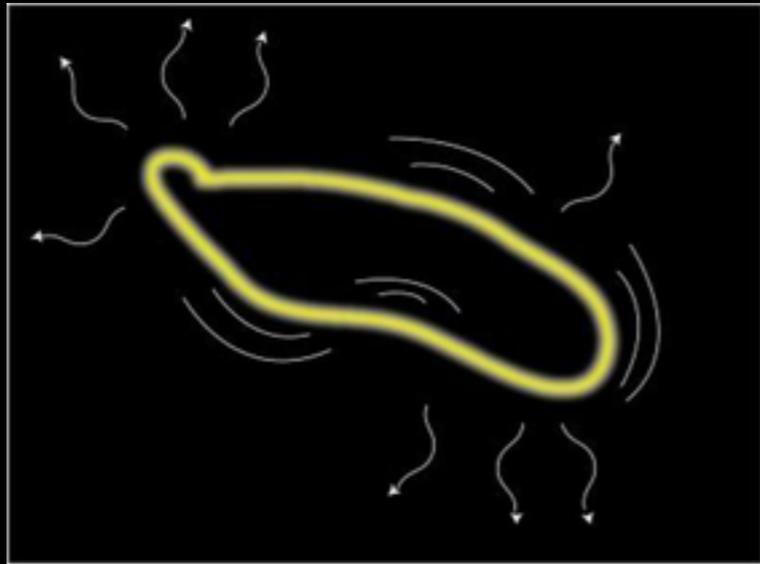
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**Assuming GW emission dominates ...**

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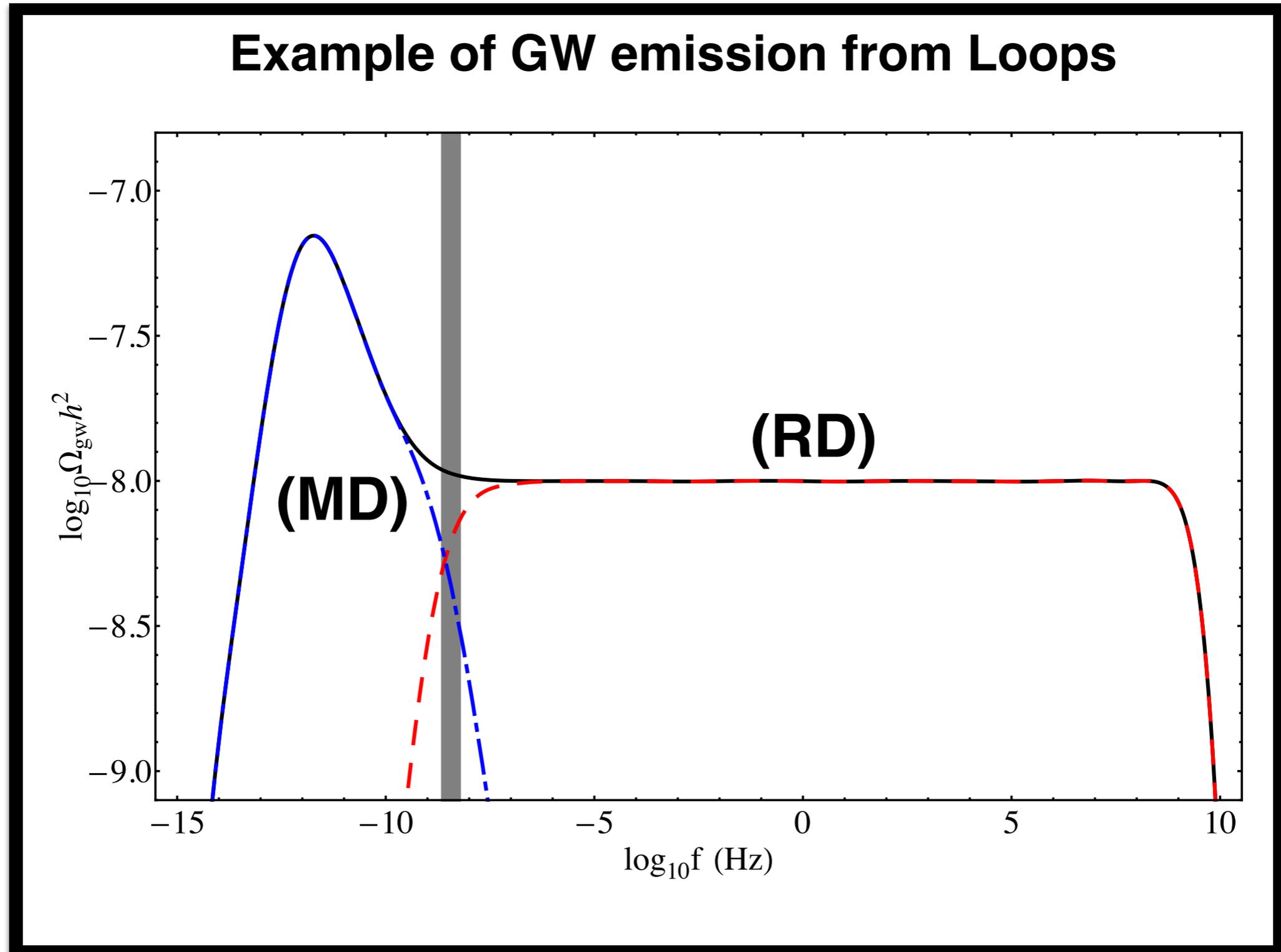
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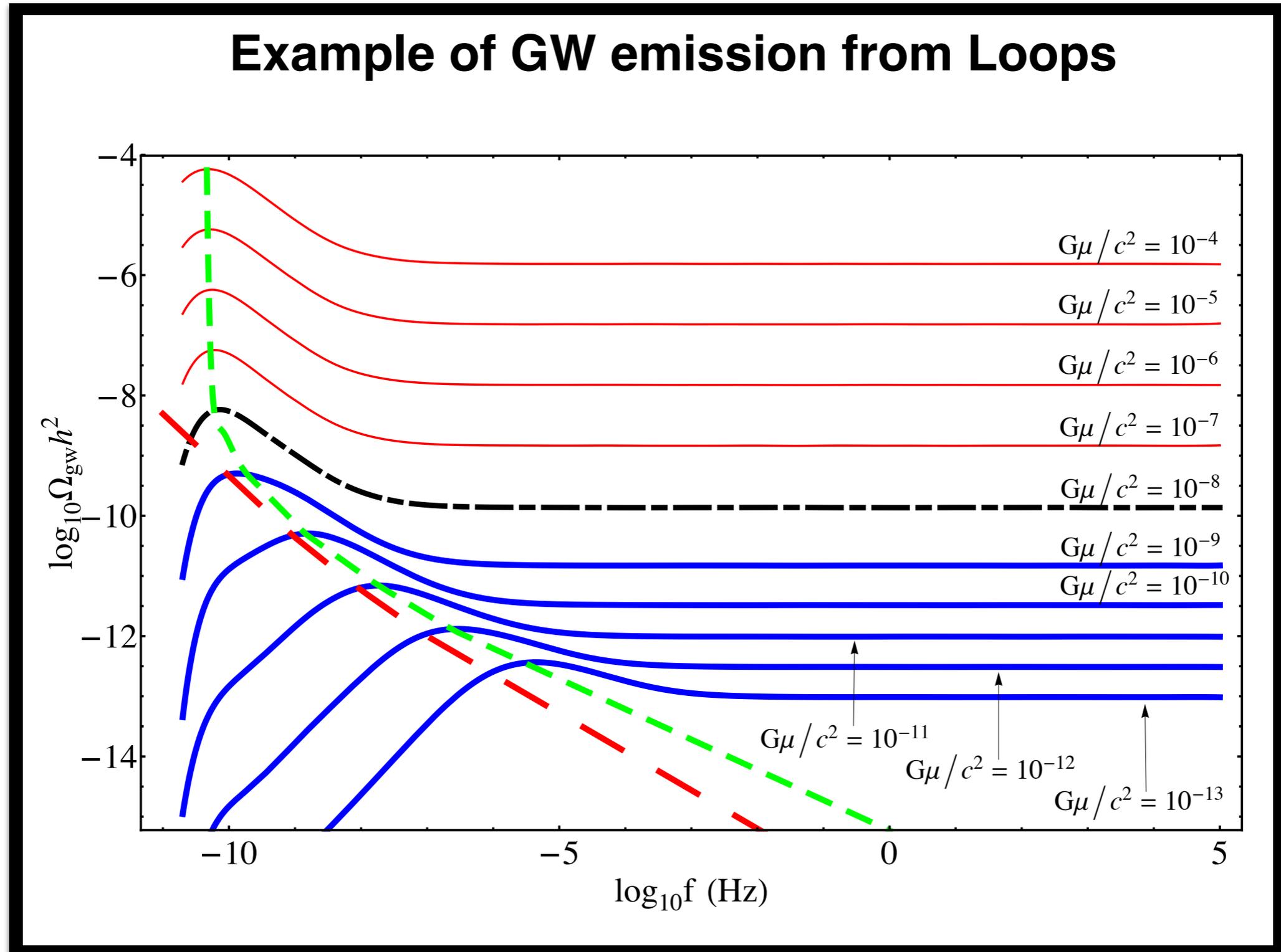
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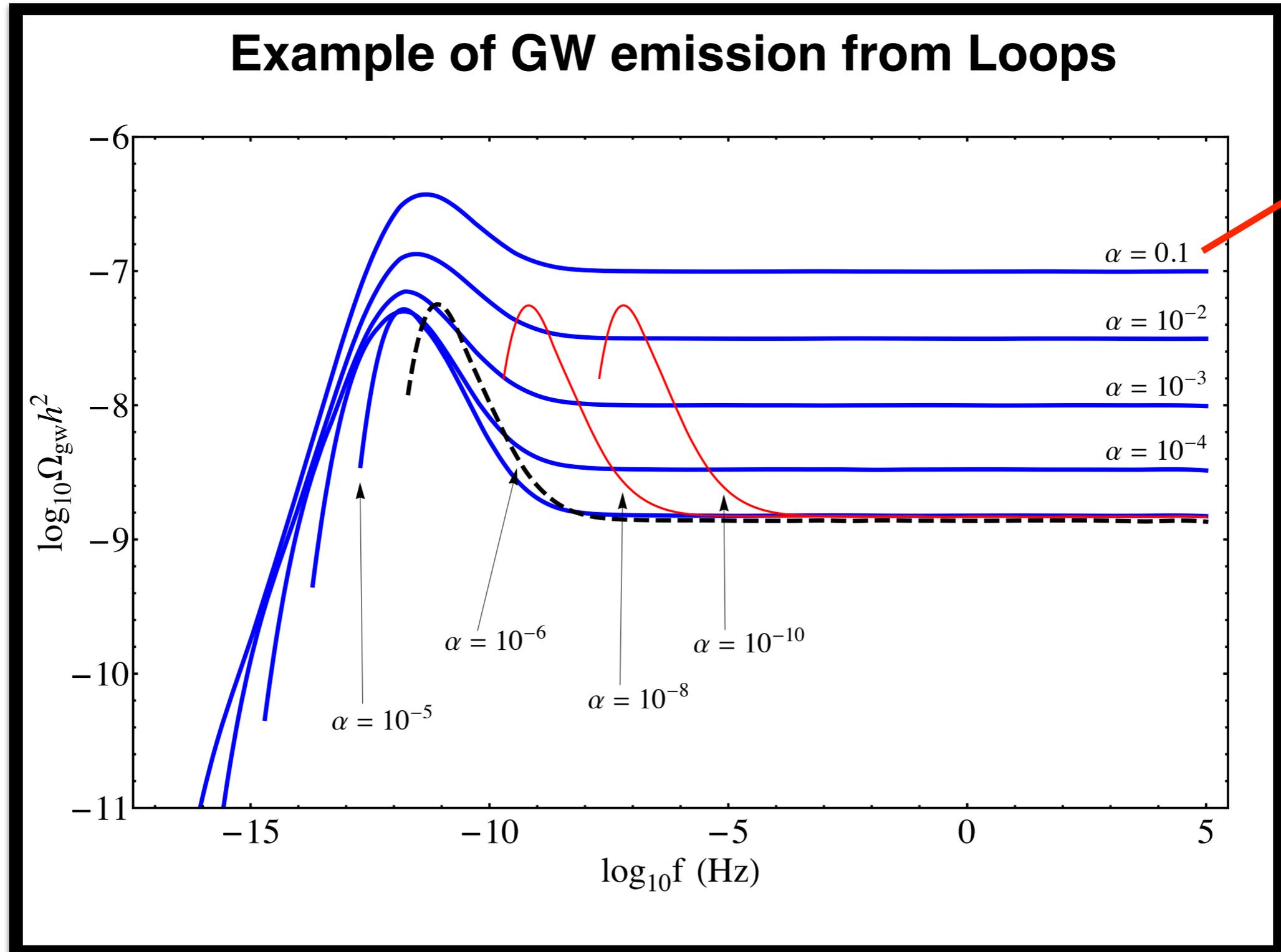
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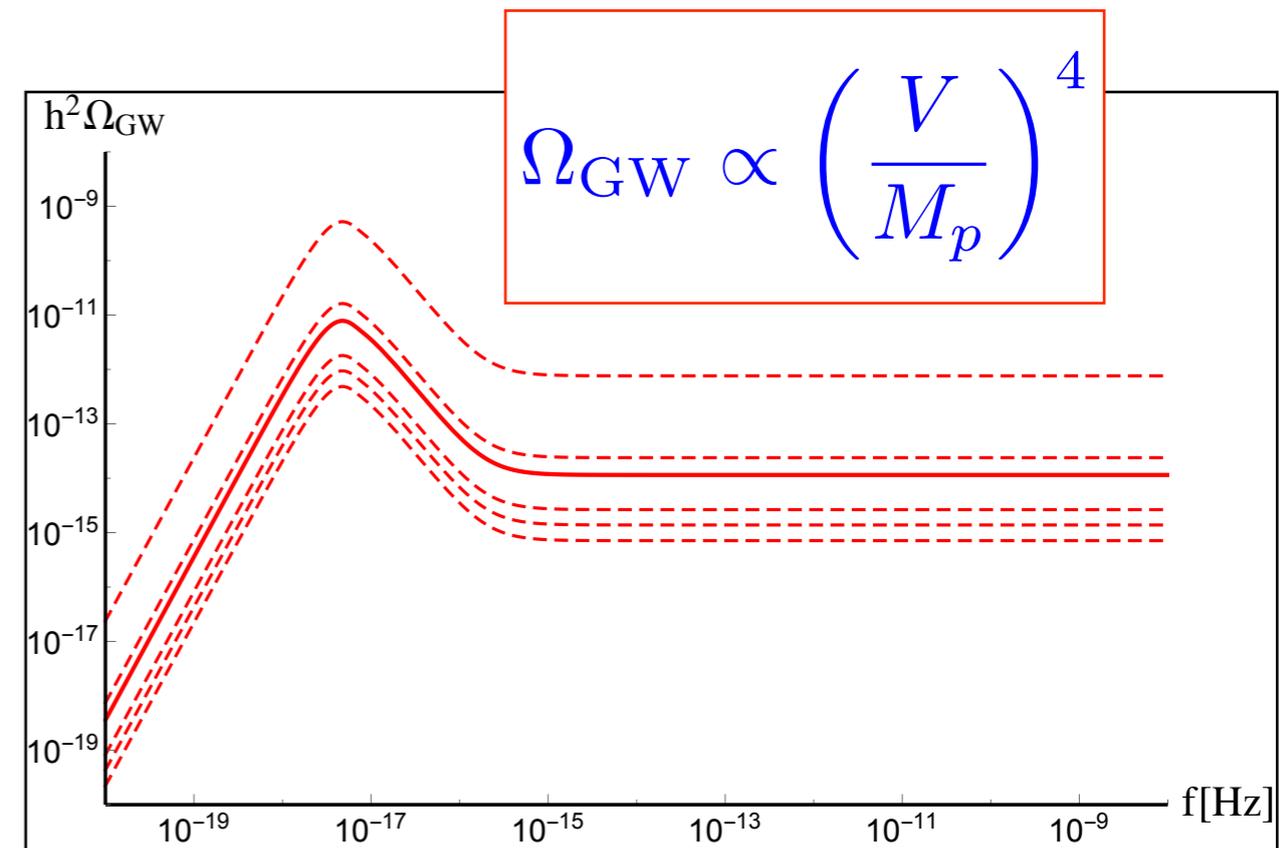
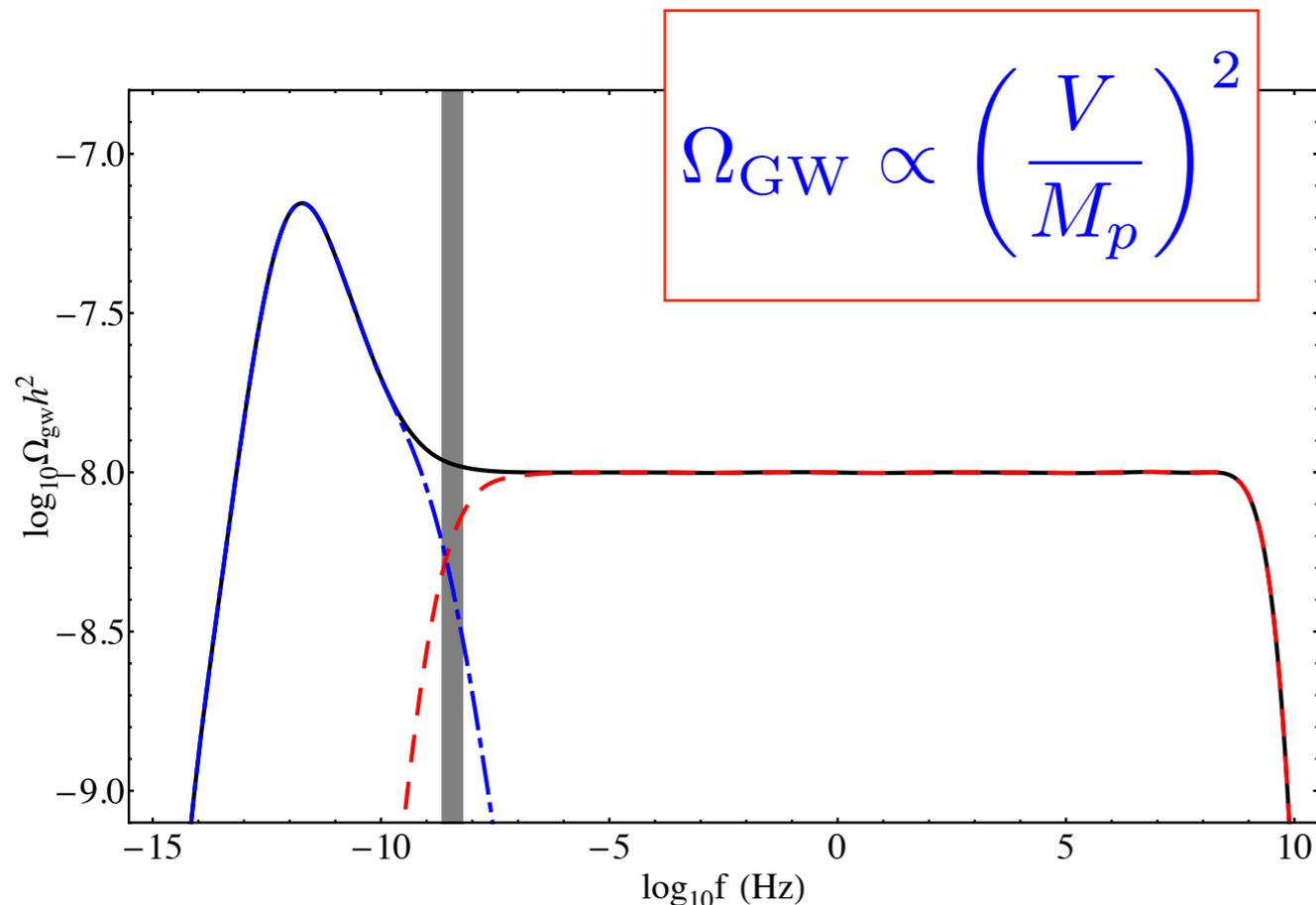
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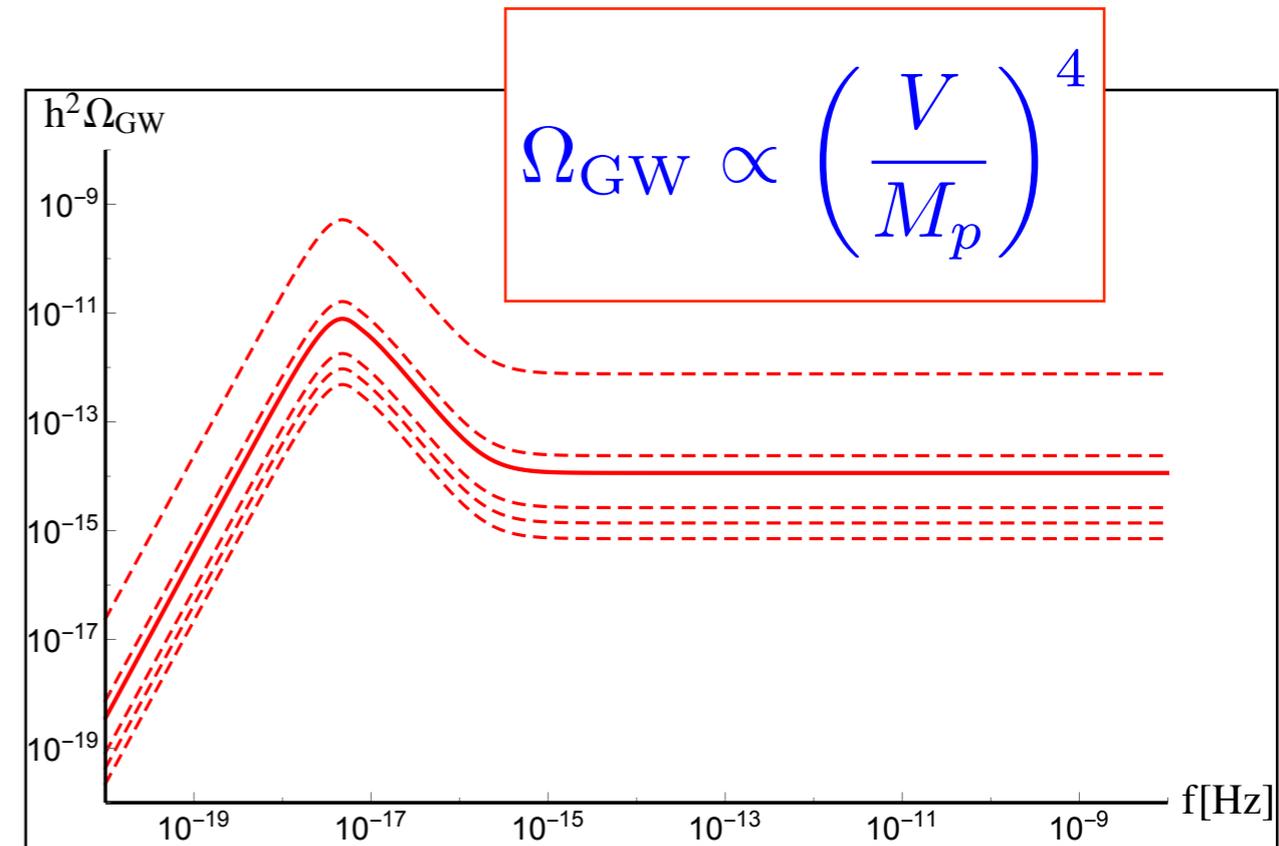
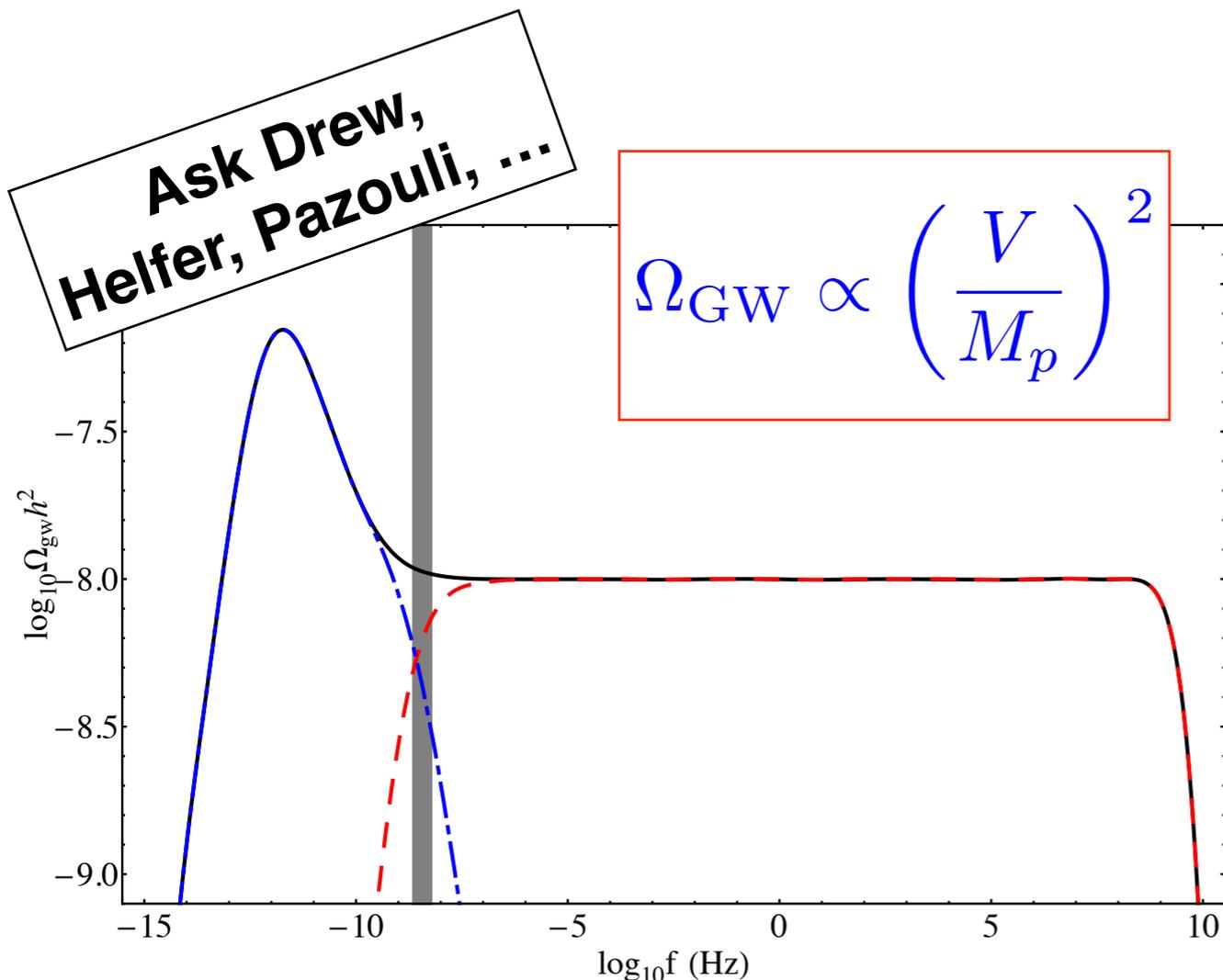


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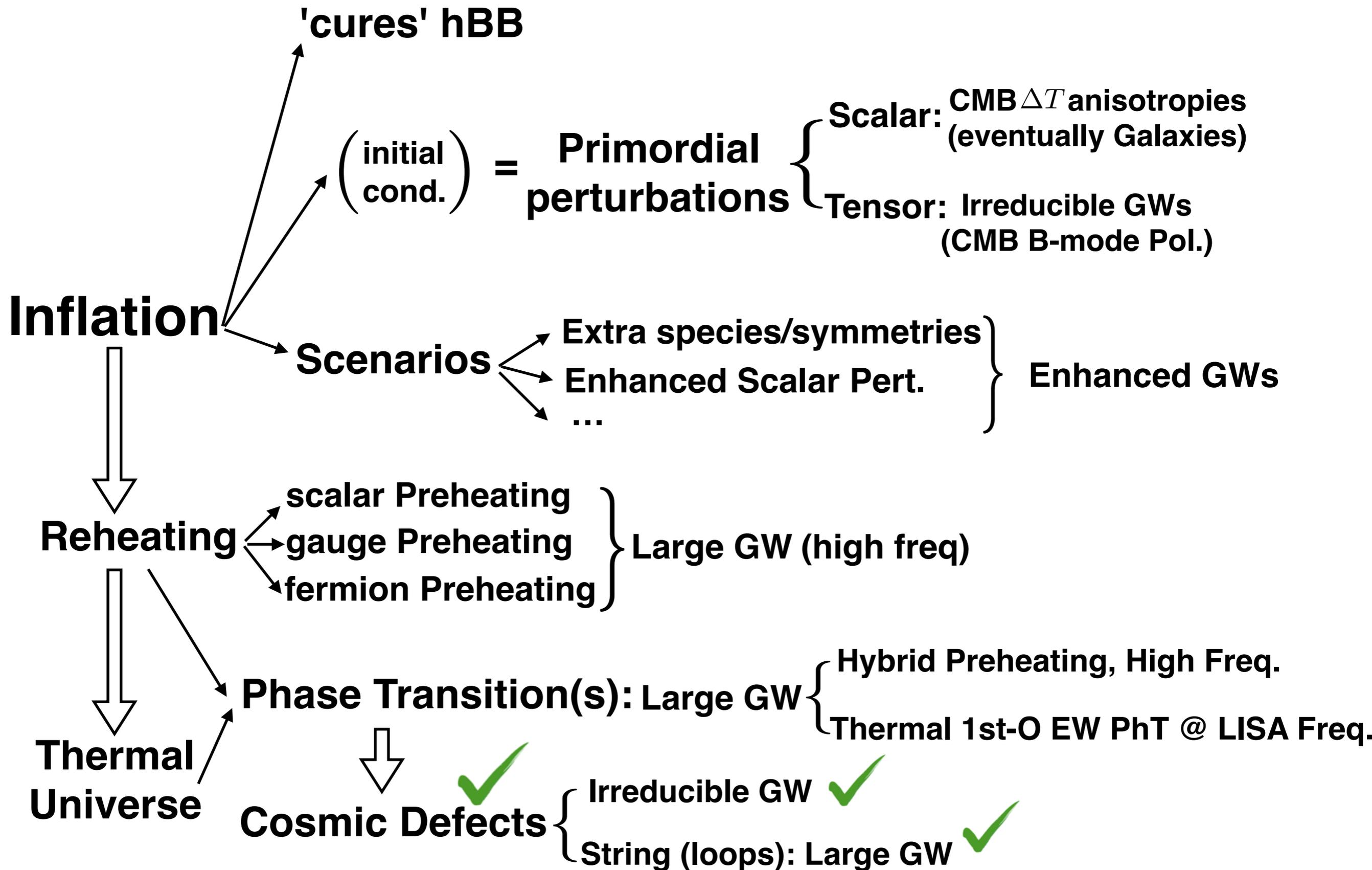
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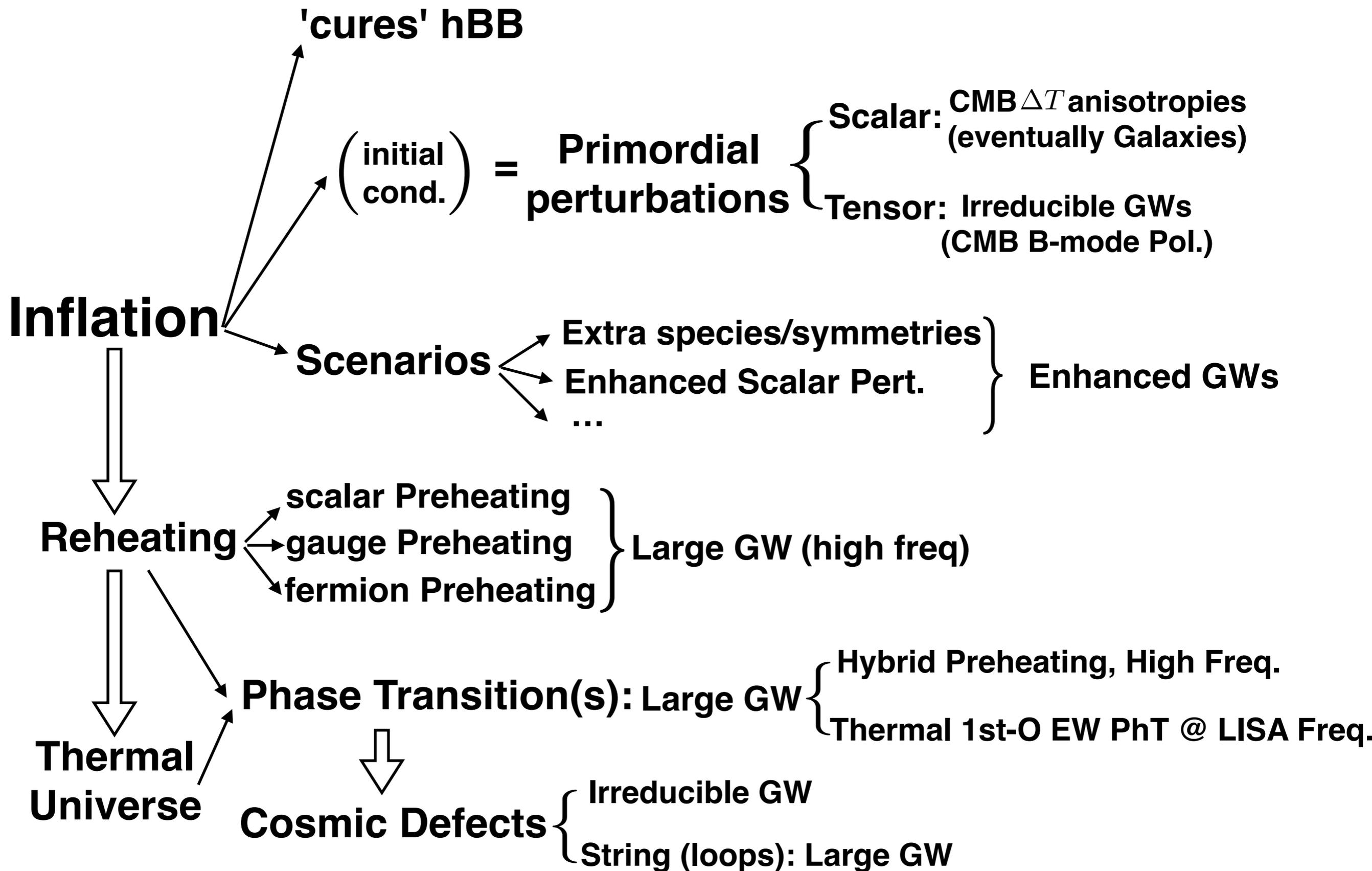
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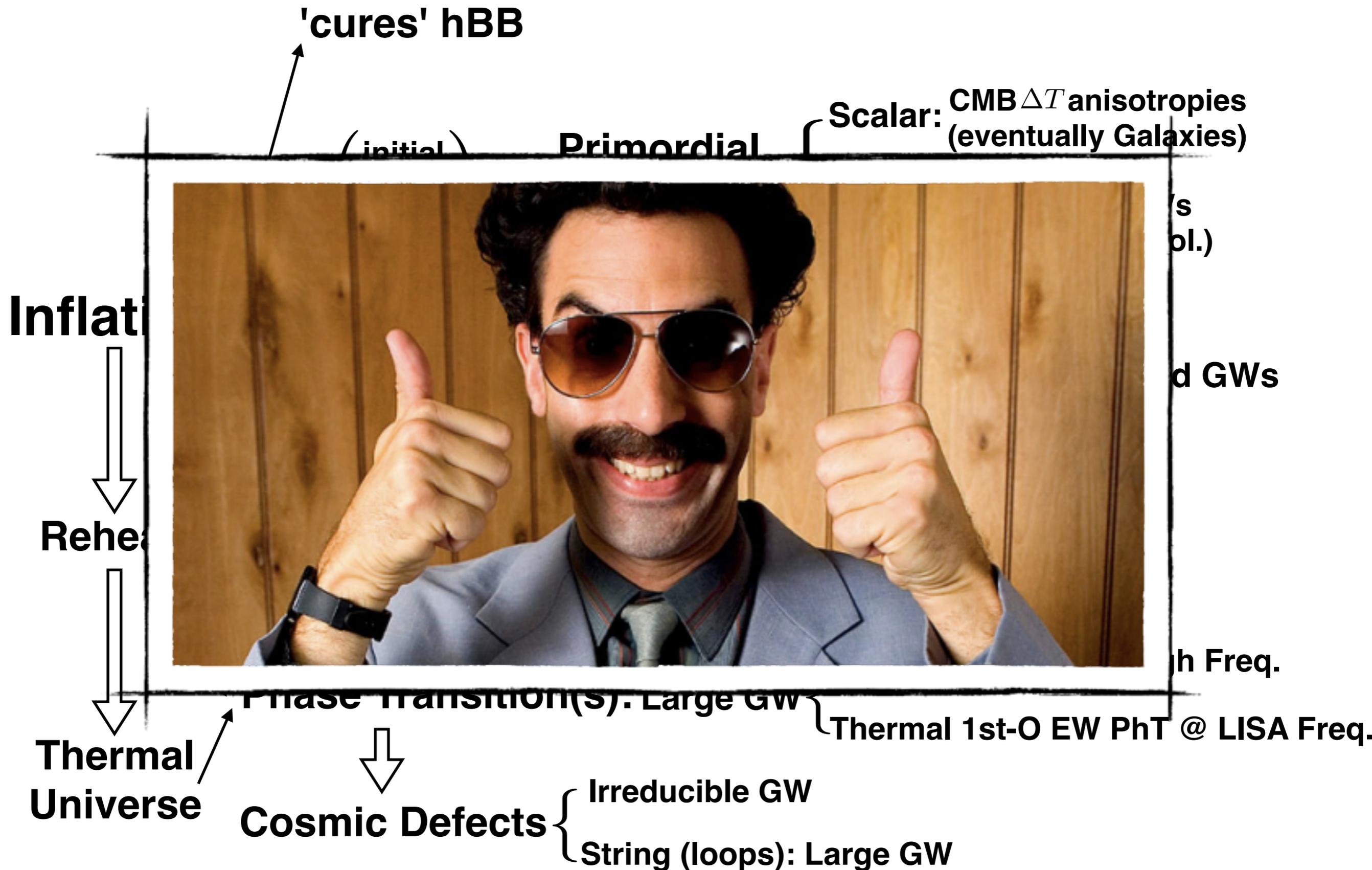
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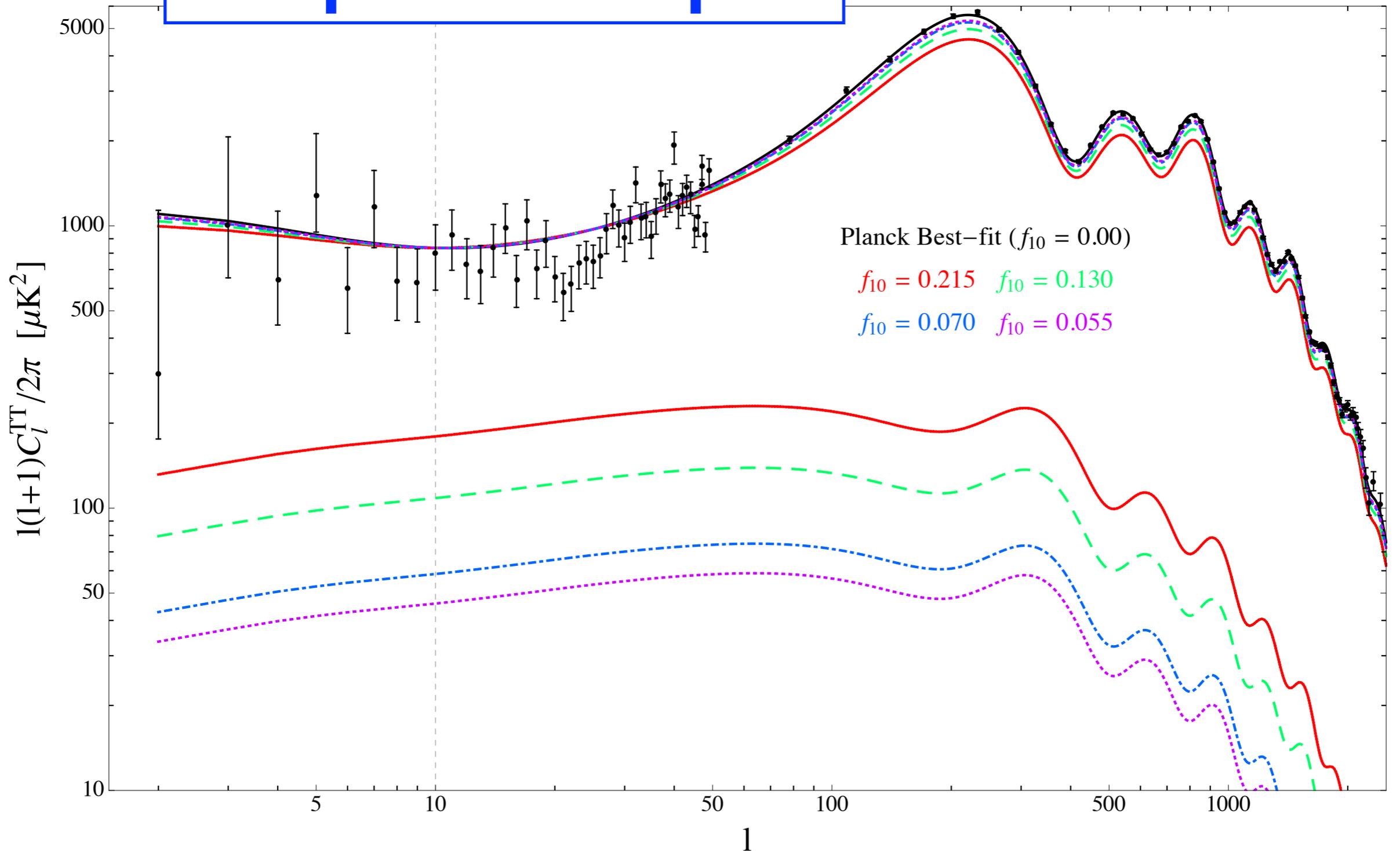
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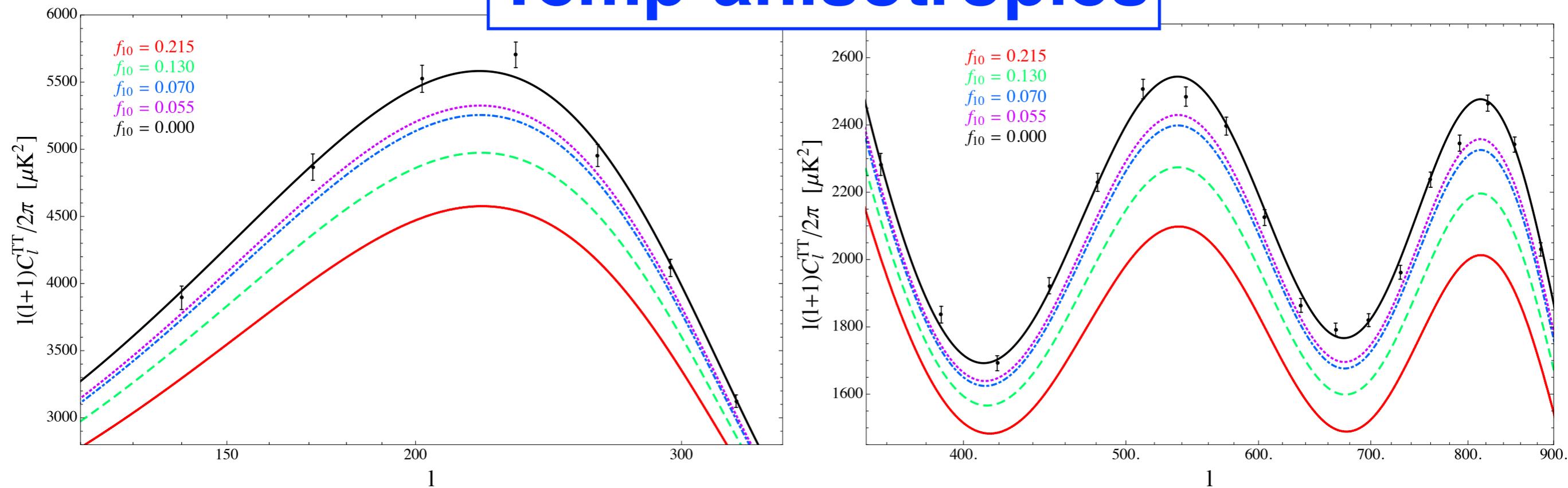
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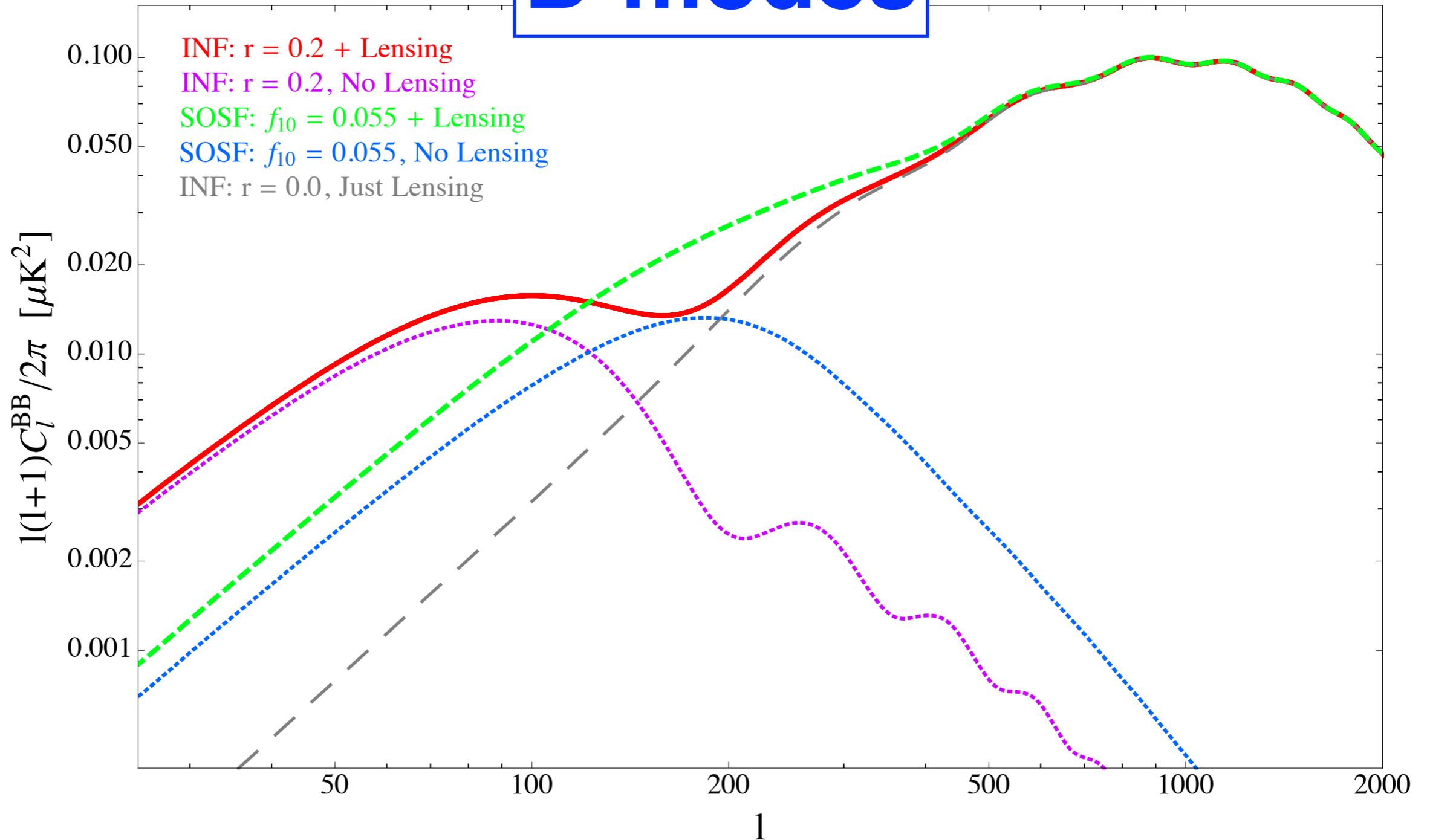
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