

# Tensoron:

spectator scalar field  
inducing gravitational waves  
during inflation

Still in progress

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# Introduction & Motivation

# INTRODUCTION

BICEP2 has reported

Tensor to scalar ratio:  $r \equiv P_{\downarrow h} / P_{\downarrow \zeta} \approx 0.16$

If the observed B-mode polarizations are from inflation, it can be translated into

Inflation Hubble parameter:  $H_{\downarrow \text{inf}} \approx 10^{14} \text{ GeV} \sqrt{r/0.1}$

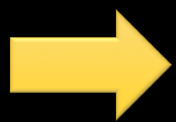
But, How robust is this relation ?

# ANOTHER POSSIBILITY

The production of GWs with  $\mathcal{P}_{\downarrow h} = 8/M_{\downarrow Pl}^2 (H/2\pi)^2$  is the essential prediction of inflation.

Nevertheless, in principle, it is a lower bound.

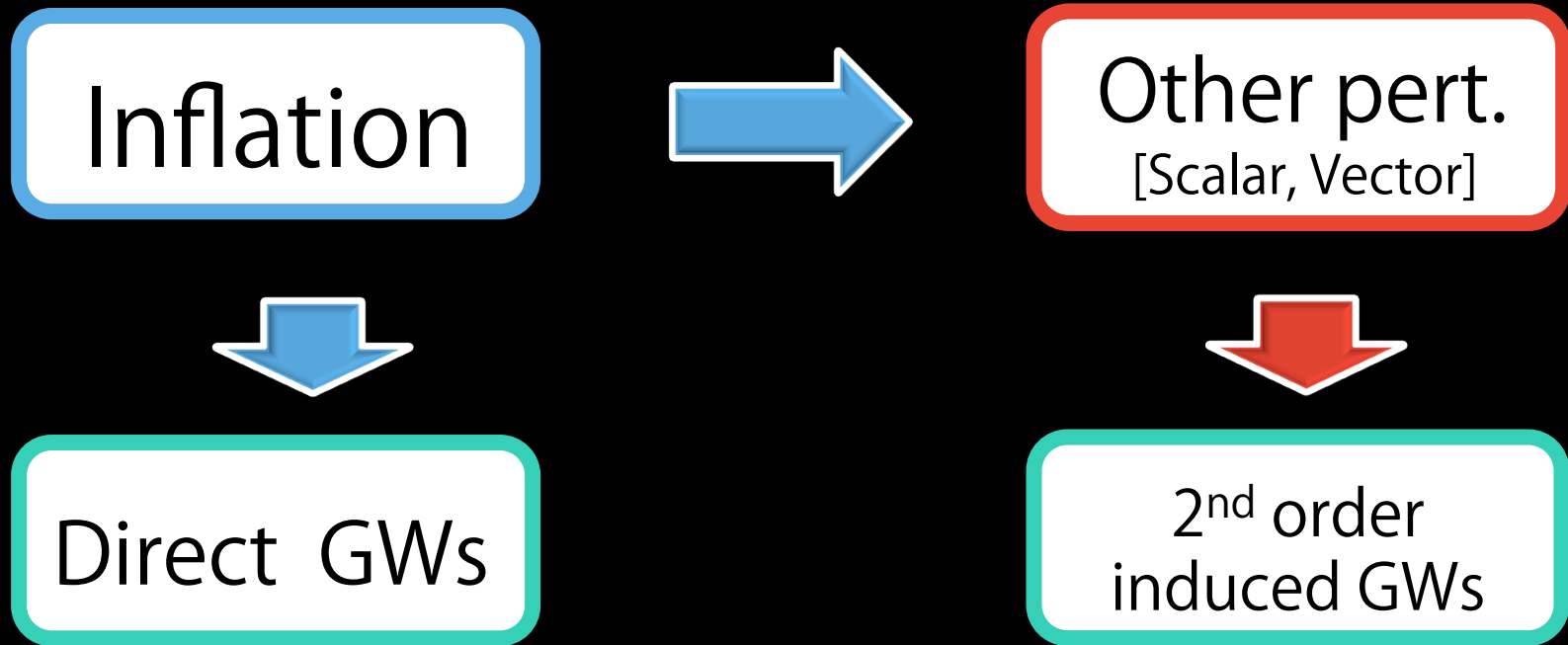
**Are there any other GW productions ?**



If GWs produced by another mechanism are dominant, the estimate of  $H_{\downarrow inf}$  must be revised.

# INDUCED GW

GWs can be induced by 2<sup>nd</sup> order pert.





# Previous Works

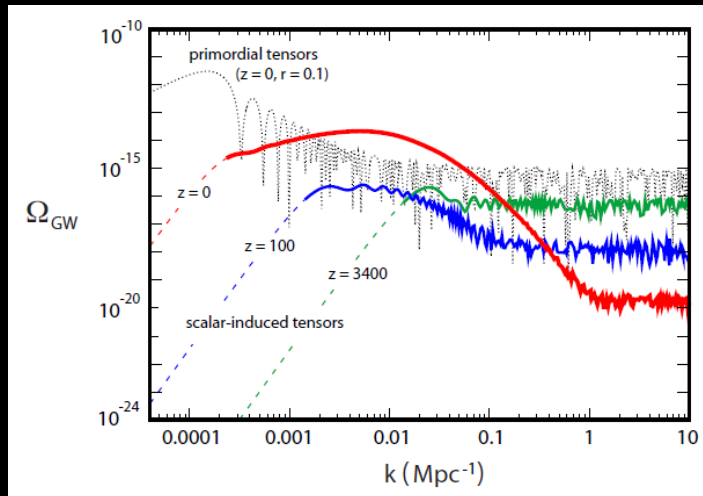
# PREVIOUS WORKS

Scalar pert. can induce GWs when it re-enters the horizon.

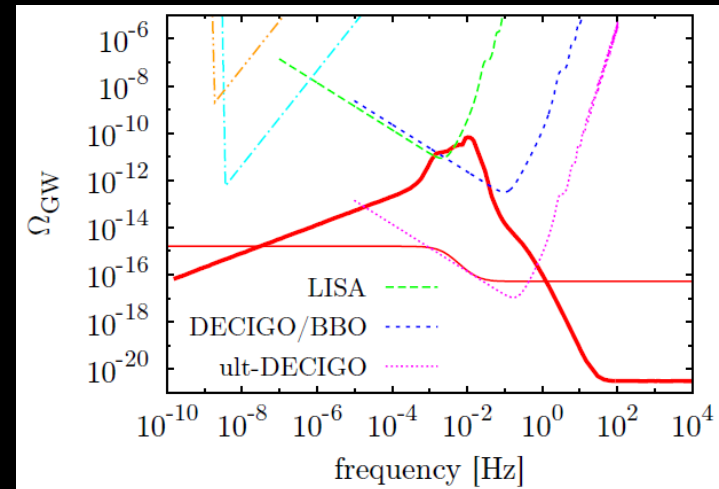
[Ananda+(2007),  
Baumann+(2007),  
Bartolo+(2007),  
Saito+(2010),  
Kawasaki+(2013)]



Dominant on large scale only for  $r < 10^{-6}$



[Baumann+(2007)]



[Kawasaki+(2013)]

# DURING INFLATION

Scalar pert. also induce GW when it **exits the horizon**.

➔ Large scale GWs (B-mode observable)

Mechanism:

Scalar pert.  $\sigma_{\downarrow p}$  provides 2<sup>nd</sup> order source for GWs;

EoM: 
$$h_{\downarrow ij}'' + 2\mathcal{H}h_{\downarrow ij}' - \nabla^2 h_{\downarrow ij} = -4M_{\downarrow Pl}^{-2} T_{\downarrow ij}{}^{\uparrow lm} S_{\downarrow lm}$$

Source: 
$$S_{\downarrow lm} = \int \frac{d^3 p d^3 q}{(2\pi)^3} \delta(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{k}) c_{\downarrow s}{}^{\uparrow 2} p_{\downarrow i} q_{\downarrow j} \sigma_{\downarrow p} \sigma_{\downarrow q}$$

where  $T_{\downarrow ij}{}^{\uparrow lm}$  is the T.T. projection tensor.



# BIAGETTI'S PAPER

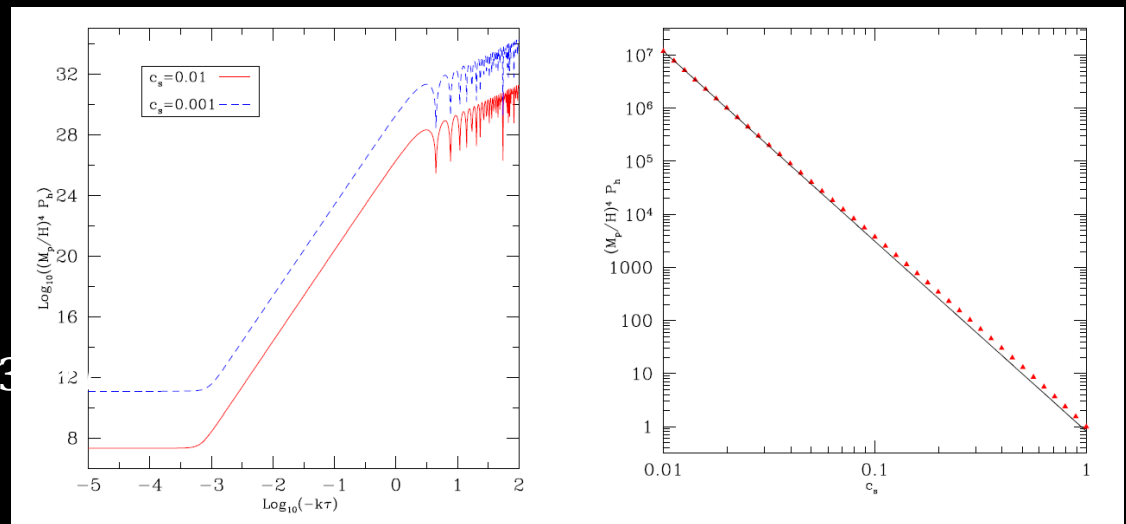
## "Enhancing Inflationary Tensor Modes through Spectator Fields"

Biagetti, Fasiello & Riotto. PRD88, 103518 (2013)

- Numerically calculate induced  $\mathcal{P}_{\downarrow h}$ .
- Obtain analytic eq. by fitting the numerical result.
- 4p letter. No UV cutoff or constraints on  $c_{\downarrow s}$  are mentioned.

$$\mathcal{P}_h = c \frac{H^4}{c_s^{18/5} M_p^4},$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{\downarrow h} \approx 32/15\pi H^4 / c_{\downarrow s}^3$$



# SMALL SOUND SPEED

To enhance scalar pert., small  $c_{\downarrow s}$  is introduced. [Biagetti+(2013)]

$$S_{\sigma} = \int d^3x d\eta \sqrt{-g} \left[ \frac{1}{2a^2} (\sigma'^2 - c_s^2 \partial_i \sigma \partial_i \sigma) - V(\sigma) \right]$$

small  $c_{\downarrow s}$  has 2 effects.  Power Spec.  $\mathcal{P}_{\downarrow \sigma} = (H/2\pi)^2 \times c_{\downarrow s}^{\uparrow-3}$

$$\sigma_{\downarrow \mathbf{p}} = 1/\sqrt{2} c_{\downarrow s} p (1 - iaH/c_{\downarrow s} p) e^{\uparrow - ic_{\downarrow s} p \eta}$$

Increase  
BD amplitude

Hasten the  
horizon crossing

To eliminate vacuum contribution, we approximate

$$\sigma_{\downarrow \mathbf{p}} = H \inf / \sqrt{2} (c_{\downarrow s} p)^{\uparrow 3/2} \theta(1 + c_{\downarrow s} p \eta) [a_{\downarrow \mathbf{p}} + a_{\downarrow -\mathbf{p}}^{\uparrow \dagger}]$$

[Perhaps better treatment exists. Comments are welcome.]

# Calculation

The background features several flowing, ribbon-like shapes in vibrant colors: orange and red at the top left, green and blue at the top right, and red and blue at the bottom. These shapes appear to be moving or flowing across the black background, creating a sense of dynamic energy.

$\sigma \times \sigma$  induces  $h$

$$h_{ij}^{\prime} + 2\mathcal{H}h_{ij} - \nabla^2 h_{ij}$$

$$= -4M_{Pl}^{-2} T_{ij} \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \delta(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{k}) c_{s^2} p_i q_j \sigma_{\mathbf{p}} \sigma_{\mathbf{q}}$$

Solve it and substitute it into power spec. eq.

$$\langle h_{\mathbf{k}}^{\pm}(\eta) h_{\mathbf{k}'}^{\pm}(\eta) \rangle = \frac{2\pi^2}{k^3} \delta(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{k}') \mathcal{P}_h^{\pm}(k, \eta)$$

# 4-P FUNCTION

Solving the EoM with Green's function, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2\pi^2}{k^3} \delta(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{k}') \mathcal{P}_h^\pm(k, \eta) = & \\ & 16 \frac{c_s^4}{M_{\text{Pl}}^4} \int \frac{d^3 p d^3 q d^3 p' d^3 q'}{(2\pi)^6} \delta(\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q} - \mathbf{k}) \delta(\mathbf{p}' + \mathbf{q}' - \mathbf{k}') e_{ij}^\pm(\mathbf{k}) e_{ml}^\pm(\mathbf{k}') p_i q_j p'_m q'_l \\ & \times \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\tau d\tau' g_k(\eta, \tau) g_{k'}(\eta, \tau') \langle \sigma_{\mathbf{p}}(\tau) \sigma_{\mathbf{q}}(\tau) \sigma_{\mathbf{p}'}(\tau') \sigma_{\mathbf{q}'}(\tau') \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

and it reads

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_h^\pm(\eta, k) = & \pm \frac{4}{\pi^2} c_s^{-2} \frac{H_{\text{inf}}^4}{M_{\text{Pl}}^4} k^3 \int d^3 p d^3 p' \delta(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}' - \mathbf{k}) e_{ij}^\pm(\mathbf{k}) e_{ml}^\pm(\mathbf{k}) \frac{p_i p'_j p'_m p_l}{(pp')^3} \\ & \times \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\tau g_k(\eta, \tau) \theta(\gamma + c_s p \tau) \theta(\gamma + c_s p' \tau) \right]^2 \end{aligned}$$

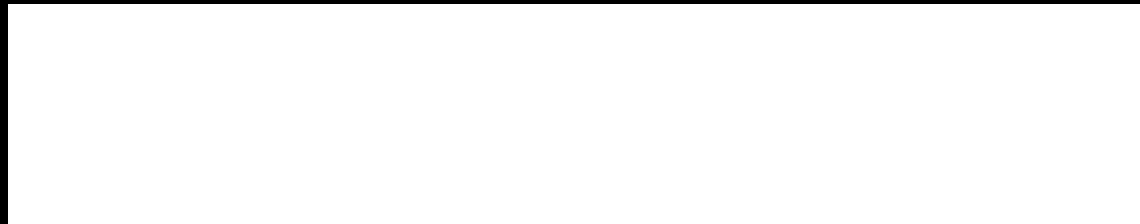
with

$$g_k(\eta, \tau) = \frac{\theta(\eta - \tau)}{k^3 \tau^2} \Re e \left[ e^{ik(\eta - \tau)} (1 - ik\eta) (-i + k\tau) \right]$$

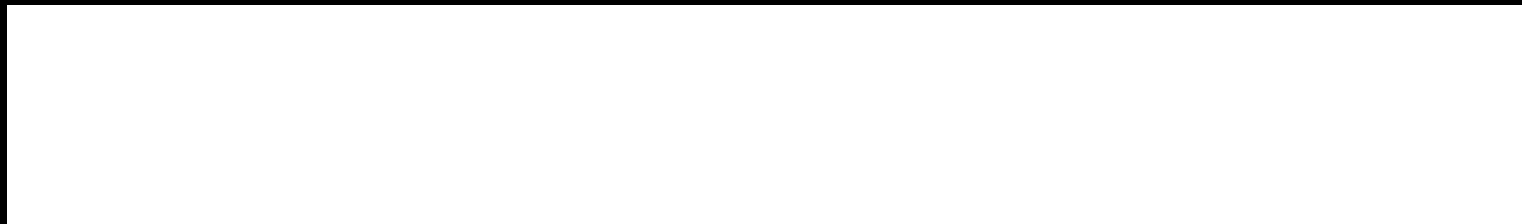
# RESULT

The main contribution comes from  $c_{\downarrow s} p \sim k$ , namely same wave-number as the GW's.

The induced GW power spectrum is


$$\frac{dP_{\text{ind}}}{d\ln k} \sim \frac{M_{\text{pl}}^4}{M_{\text{eff}}^4} \frac{H_{\text{inf}}^2}{k^3} \frac{c_{\downarrow s}^2}{k^2} \frac{dN}{d\ln k}$$

If it is dominant, the tensor-to-scalar ratio is


$$r \sim \frac{dP_{\text{ind}}}{d\ln k} \frac{4\pi^2}{k^3} \frac{H_{\text{inf}}^2}{M_{\text{pl}}^4} \frac{c_{\downarrow s}^2}{k^2} \frac{dN}{d\ln k} \frac{1}{(H_{\text{inf}}^2 / M_{\text{pl}}^4)^3} \frac{1}{k^3} \frac{dN}{d\ln k}$$

➔ Thus for  $c_{\downarrow s} \lesssim 10^{-3}$ ,  $H_{\text{inf}}$  can be lower than  $10^{14}$  GeV.



# Constraints

# CONSTRAINT-1

$c_s$  cannot be arbitrarily small:

## 1. Curvature Pert. (curvaton)

$$\mathcal{P}_\zeta^{(\sigma)} \simeq \frac{c_s^{-3} \sigma_*^2 H_{\text{inf}}^2}{576 \pi^2 M_{\text{Pl}}^4} \frac{\Gamma_\phi}{\Gamma_\sigma} \ll \mathcal{P}_\zeta^{\text{obs}} \approx 2.2 \times 10^{-9}$$
$$\Rightarrow c_s > 0.01 \left( \frac{\sigma_*}{0.1 M_{\text{Pl}}} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}} \left( \frac{H_{\text{inf}}}{10^{14} \text{GeV}} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}} \left( \frac{\Gamma_\phi}{\Gamma_\sigma} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}.$$

## 2. Non-gaussianity

$$f_{\text{NL}} \simeq \frac{5}{3\hat{r}} \left( \frac{\mathcal{P}_\zeta^{(\sigma)}}{\mathcal{P}_\zeta^{\text{obs}}} \right)^2 \simeq \frac{5c_s^{-6} (\mathcal{P}_\zeta^{\text{obs}})^{-2} \sigma_*^2 H_{\text{inf}}^4}{165888 \pi^4 M_{\text{Pl}}^6} \left( \frac{\Gamma_\phi}{\Gamma_\sigma} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} < 14.3,$$
$$\Rightarrow c_s = 0.024 \left( \frac{f_{\text{NL}}}{10} \right)^{-\frac{1}{6}} \left( \frac{\sigma_*}{0.1 M_{\text{Pl}}} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \left( \frac{H_{\text{inf}}}{10^{14} \text{GeV}} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}} \left( \frac{\Gamma_\phi}{\Gamma_\sigma} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}}.$$

➡ They require small  $\sigma_{\downarrow*}$



# CONSTRAINT-2

## 3. Validity of Perturbation

$\delta\sigma \ll \sigma_{\downarrow*}$  requires large  $\sigma_{\downarrow*}$   $\Rightarrow$   $\langle \delta\sigma \delta\sigma \rangle \ll \sigma_{\downarrow*}^2$

$$N_{\text{obs}} \mathcal{P}_{\delta\sigma}(\eta, k) = N_{\text{obs}} \frac{H_{\text{inf}}^2}{(2\pi)^2 c_s^3} < \sigma_*^2,$$
$$\Rightarrow c_s > \left( \frac{N_{\text{obs}} H_{\text{inf}}^2}{4\pi^2 \sigma_*^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \approx \left( \frac{N_{\text{obs}}}{50} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \left( \frac{H_{\text{inf}}}{\sigma_*} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}}$$

Since we derive the lower bound on  $c_{\downarrow s}$ , we can find the maximum  $\mathcal{P}_{\downarrow h}$ , or

$$R \equiv \mathcal{P}_{\downarrow h \uparrow \sigma} / \mathcal{P}_{\downarrow h \uparrow \text{inf}}$$

# CONSTRAINT-3

Constraint on  $R$

1.  $\mathcal{P} \downarrow \zeta \uparrow (\sigma)$ :  $R \lesssim 4 \times 10^{-5} M \downarrow P l \uparrow^2 / \sigma \downarrow^* \uparrow^2 \Gamma \downarrow \sigma / \Gamma \downarrow \phi$

$$R \approx 1 \times 10^{-5} f \downarrow N L \uparrow^{-1} M \downarrow P l / \sigma \downarrow^* (\Gamma \downarrow \sigma / \Gamma \downarrow \phi)^{3/4}$$

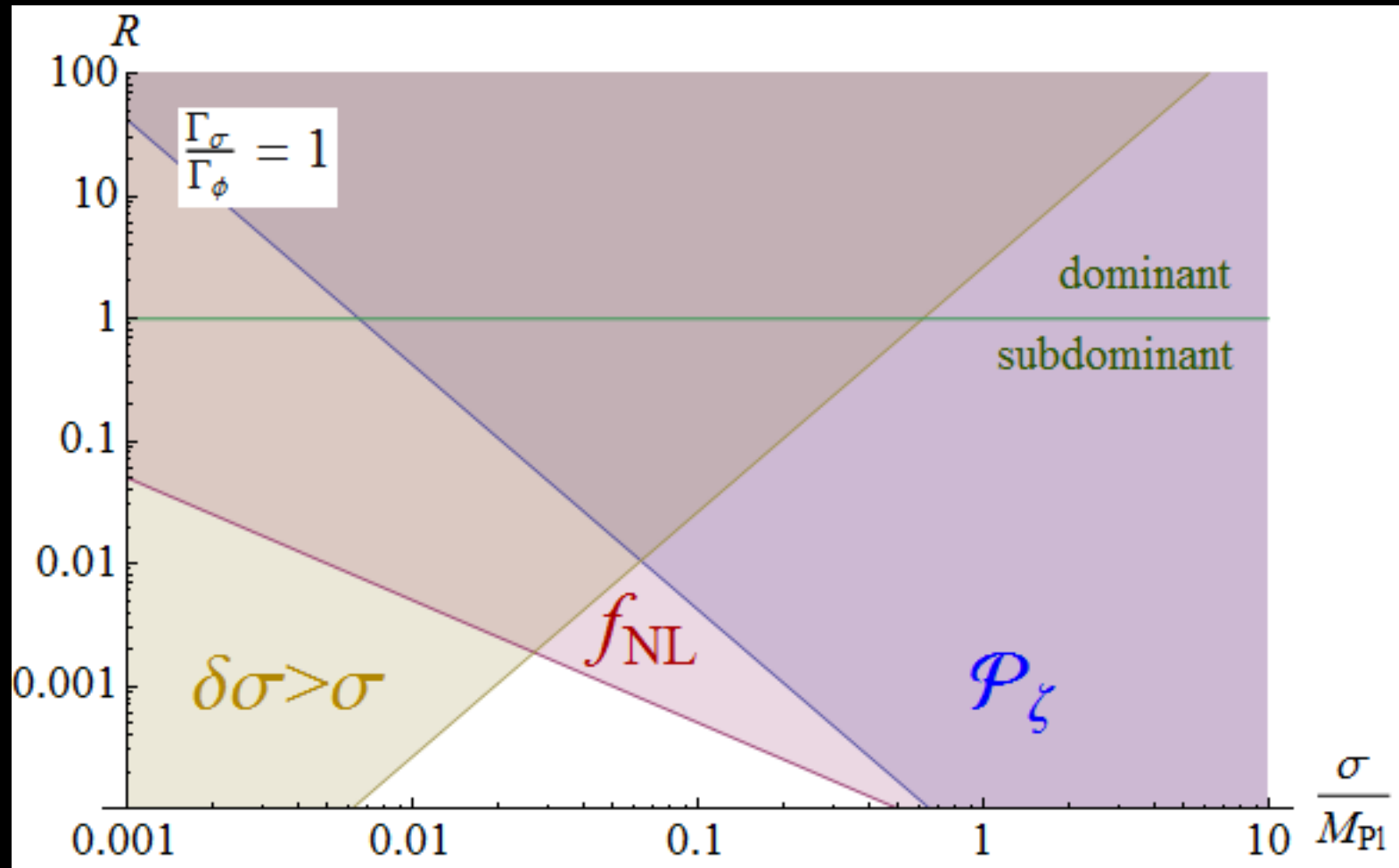
2.  $f \downarrow N L$ :

$$R \lesssim 2.6 \sigma \downarrow^* \uparrow^2 / M \downarrow P l \uparrow^2$$

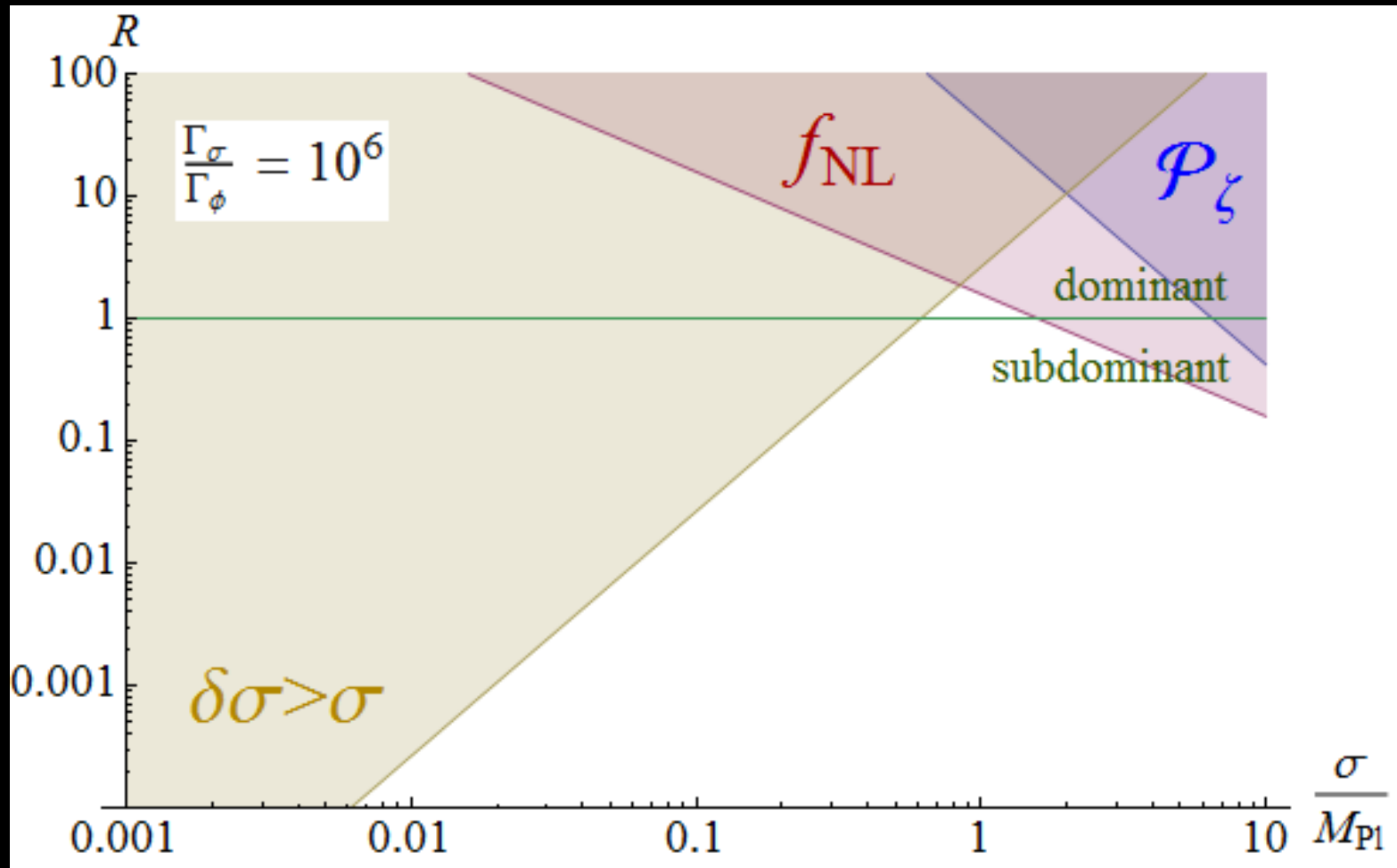
3.  $\delta \sigma / \sigma \downarrow^*$ :

  $R \uparrow_{\max}$  is independent of  $H \downarrow_{\inf}$

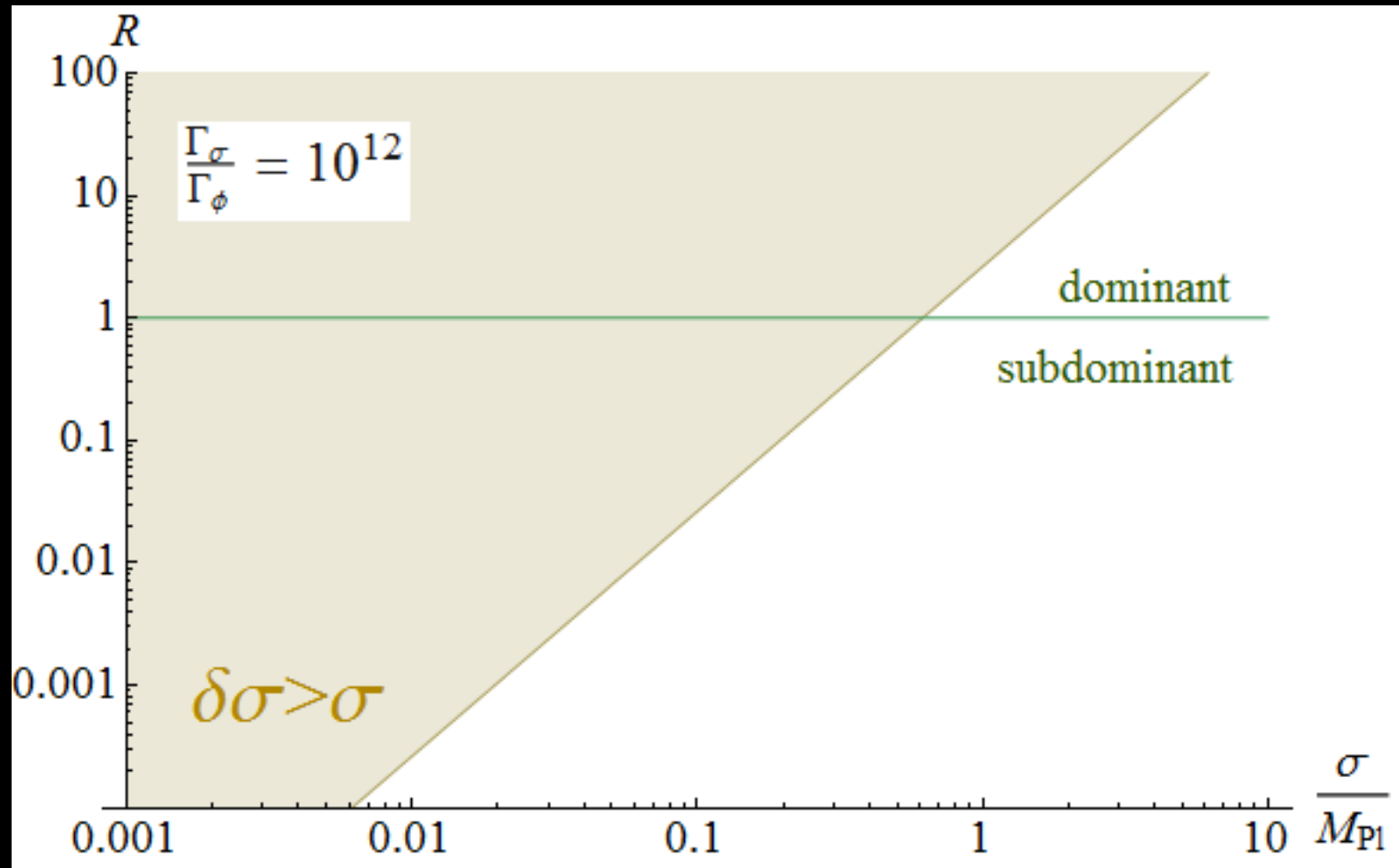
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# RESULT-2

We can maximize Tensoron's GWs by

$$\sigma_* \sim M_{Pl},$$

$$\Gamma_\sigma > 10^{16} \Gamma_\phi$$

However, it cannot be dominant

$$R \lesssim 3$$

Thus  $\rho_{\text{inf}}$  doesn't significantly change.



# Discussions

# K-ESSENCE

[Armendariz-Picon+(1999),Appignani+(2012)]

K-essence model:

$$\mathcal{L} = P(X, \phi), \quad 2X = \nabla^\alpha \phi \nabla_\alpha \phi$$

$$T_{\mu\nu} = P_X \nabla_\mu \phi \nabla_\nu \phi - g_{\mu\nu} P$$

$$c_{\delta\phi}^2 = \frac{P_X^{(0)}}{P_X^{(0)} + P_{XX}^{(0)} \dot{\phi}_0^2}$$

Modified EoM of  $\delta\phi$ :

$$\left( P_X^{(0)} + P_{XX}^{(0)} \dot{\phi}_0^2 \right) \delta\ddot{\phi} - \frac{P_X^{(0)}}{a^2} \delta\phi_{,ii} + C \delta\dot{\phi} + D \delta\phi = 0$$

Perturbed EMT:

$$\delta^{(2)} T_{ij} = P_X^{(0)} \left( 1 - \frac{\delta_{ij}}{2} \right) \delta\phi_{,i} \delta\phi_{,j} + (\text{Non-T.T. terms})$$

**Not**  $c_{\delta\phi}^2$  !!

New parameter naturally appears.  
Constraint may be relaxed.



# LARGE $\delta\sigma$

Is  $\delta\sigma \ll \sigma_{\downarrow*}$  mandatory??

➔ No! But  $\delta\sigma \gg \sigma_{\downarrow*}$  looks a bit unnatural.

$\delta\sigma_{\downarrow p}$  produced at  $N > 50$  should be absorbed in  $\sigma_{\downarrow*}$ .

If  $\mathcal{P}_{\downarrow\sigma}$  is scale invariant, at least  $\delta\sigma_{\downarrow p} \sim \sigma_{\downarrow*}$ .

However, if  $c_{\downarrow s} \neq 0$

$\mathcal{P}_{\downarrow\sigma}$  is not scale invariant. ➔  $\delta\sigma \gg \sigma_{\downarrow*}$  realized

The constraint from  $f_{\downarrow NL}$  should be reconsidered.

# Summary

- We study **Tensoron**  $\sigma$  **with small**  $c\downarrow s$  and obtain analytic solution.
- For  $\sigma\downarrow^* \sim M\downarrow Pl$ ,  $\Gamma\downarrow\sigma > 10\uparrow 6 \Gamma\downarrow\phi$ , induced GWs are comparable to intrinsic GWs but **cannot be far bigger** within  $\delta\sigma < \sigma\downarrow^*$ .
- If a more generalized theory is considered, Induced GWs may be dominant.



Backup slides

# INTERACTION TERM

Original Action:

$$\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi$$

Perturb it w.r.t. graviton  $h_{\mu\nu}$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = a^2 (\eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}), \quad g^{\mu\nu} = a^{-2} (\eta^{\mu\nu} - h^{\mu\nu} + \mathcal{O}(h^2))$$

Substituting them, we rewrite the action as

$$\frac{1}{2} a^2 [\eta^{\mu\nu} + h^{\mu\nu} + \mathcal{O}(h^2)] \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi$$

# QUICK REVIEW

Let us briefly review the derivation of inflationary GWs.

- Introduce the metric pert.  $ds^2 = a^2(\eta) [d\eta^2 - (\delta_{ij} + h_{ij}) dx^i dx^j]$
- Adopt the T.T. gauge  $h_{ii} = 0$  (Traceless),  $\partial_i h_{ij} = 0$  (Transverse)

At 2<sup>nd</sup> order pert., Einstein-Hilbert action is reduced to

$$S \downarrow h = M \downarrow Pl^2 / 8 \int d\eta d^3x a^2(\eta) [h_{ij} \ddot{\phantom{h}} - (\partial_i h_{ij})^2].$$

$h_{ij}$  is decomposed into mode func. and C/A operator in Fourier space,

$$M \downarrow Pl / 2 \times a h_{ij}(\mathbf{k}, \eta) = \sum_{\lambda=+, \times} [ a \downarrow k^{\uparrow \lambda} v_{k^{\uparrow *}}(\eta) e_{ij}^{\uparrow \lambda}(\mathbf{k}) + a \downarrow -k^{\uparrow \lambda} \uparrow v_{k^{\uparrow}}(\eta) e_{ij}^{\downarrow \lambda}(\mathbf{k}) ]$$

where  $e_{ij}^{\uparrow \lambda}(\mathbf{k})$  is the polarization basis tensor. Thus the power spectrum of each GW polarization is  $\times M \downarrow Pl / 2$  of the scalar PS,  $\mathcal{P} \downarrow \phi = (H/2\pi)^2$ :

$$\mathcal{P} \downarrow h = 8 / M \downarrow Pl^2 (H/2\pi)^2 \quad \& \quad \mathcal{P} \downarrow \zeta^{\text{obs}} \approx 2.2 \times 10^{-10} \quad \& \quad \mathcal{P} \downarrow \zeta^{\text{inf}} \approx 10^{-14} \text{ GeV} \sqrt{r} / 0.1$$