

Modified gravity with 2 d.o.f. as a tool to address tensions in cosmology

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Introduction to Antonio's talk

“How to address tensions in cosmology by modified gravity with 2 d.o.f.”

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INTRODUCTION

Why modified gravity?

- Can we address **mysteries in the universe?**
Dark energy, dark matter, inflation, big-bang singularity, cosmic magnetic field, and **tensions**
- Help constructing a **theory of quantum gravity?**
Superstring, Horava-Lifshitz, etc.
- Do we really **understand GR?**
One of the best ways to understand something may be to break (modify) it and then to reconstruct it.
- ...

Proto-type of modified gravity: scalar-tensor theory

- Metric $g_{\mu\nu}$ + scalar field ϕ
- Jordan (1955), Brans & Dicke (1961), Bergmann (1968), Wagoner (1970), ...
- Most general scalar-tensor theory of gravity with 2nd order covariant EOM: Horndeski (1974)
- DHOST theories beyond Horndeski: Langlois & Noui (2016)
- U-DHOST theories beyond DHOST: DeFelice, Langlois, Mukohyama, Noui & Wang (2018)

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not yet MMG

Type-I & type-II modified gravity

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- Jordan (or matter) frame

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g^J} [\Omega^2(\phi) R[g^J] + \dots] + I_{\text{matter}}[g_{\mu\nu}^J; \text{matter}]$$

- Einstein-frame $g_{\mu\nu}^E = \Omega^2(\phi) g_{\mu\nu}^J$ K.Maeda (1989)

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- **Do we call this GR? No.** This is a modified gravity because of **non-trivial matter coupling** → **type-I**
- There are more general scalar tensor theories where there is **no Einstein frame** → **type-II**

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- Type-II:

No Einstein frame

Cannot be recast as GR + extra d.o.f. + matter by change of variables

Type-I minimally modified gravity (MMG)

Katsuki Aoki, Chunshan Lin and SM, PRD98 (2018) 044022

- **# of local physical d.o.f. = 2**
- There exists an Einstein frame
- Can be recast as GR + **matter, which couple(s) non-trivially**, by change of variables
- **The most general change of variables = canonical tr.**
- Matter coupling just after canonical tr. \rightarrow breaks diffeo \rightarrow 1st-class constraint downgraded to 2nd-class \rightarrow leads to extra d.o.f. in phase space \rightarrow inconsistent
- Gauge-fixing after canonical tr. \rightarrow splits 1st-class constraint into pair of 2nd-class constraints
- **Matter coupling after canonical tr. + gauge-fixing \rightarrow a pair of 2nd-class constraints remain \rightarrow consistent**

Type-II minimally modified gravity (MMG)

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VCDM: a theory of type-II MMG

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- Simple construction with **a free function $V(\phi)$**
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$$\mathcal{L} = N\sqrt{\gamma} \left[\frac{M_{\text{P}}^2}{2} (R + K_{ij} K^{ij} - K^2 - 2V(\phi)) - \frac{\lambda_{\text{gf}}^i}{N} M_{\text{P}}^2 \partial_i \phi - \frac{3M_{\text{P}}^2 \lambda^2}{4} - M_{\text{P}}^2 \lambda (K + \phi) \right]$$

- **No Einstein frame, close relation to cuscuton**

[Katsuki Aoki, Francesco Di Filippo and SM, JCAP 05 (2021) 071] Afshordi-Chung-Geshnizjani 2007

Wider range of applicability than cuscuton, e.g. **GR solutions are allowed**
[Antonio De Felice, Kei-ichi Maeda, S.M. and Masroor C. Pookkillath, Phys.Rev.D 106 (2022) 2, 024028]
- **$V(\phi)$ reconstructed from $H(z)$ of FLRW background**
- **$c_{\text{GW}} = 1$, no extra dof**
- **May reduce H_0 tension \rightarrow Antonio's talk**
[Antonio De Felice, Masroor C. Pookkillath and SM, PLB 816 (2021) 136201]

VCCDM: Weaker gravity for DM

Antonio De Felice and Shinji Mukohyama [JCAP 04 (2021) 018]

- Simple construction with **free functions $f_0(\phi)$ & $f_1(\phi)$**
 1. Hamiltonian of GR with 3+1 decomposition
 2. Canonical tr to a new frame
 3. Add a cosmological const & **dark matter** in the new frame
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$$\text{SM metric: } g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu = -N^2 dt^2 + \gamma_{ij} (dx^i + N^i dt)(dx^j + N^j dt)$$

$$\text{DM metric: } g_{\mu\nu}^{\text{eff}} dx^\mu dx^\nu = -\frac{N^2}{f_1^2} dt^2 + \frac{\gamma_{ij}}{f_0} (dx^i + N^i dt)(dx^j + N^j dt)$$

- **$f_0(\phi)$ & $f_1(\phi)$ reconstructed from $H(z)$ & $G_{\text{DM}}(z)/G_{\text{N}}$**

- **$c_{\text{GW}} = 1$, $G_{\text{SM}} = G_{\text{N}}$, no extra dof**

- **May reduce H_0 & S_8 tensions? \rightarrow Antonio's talk**

$$V(\phi) \equiv \frac{\bar{\Lambda}}{f_1 f_0^{3/2}}$$

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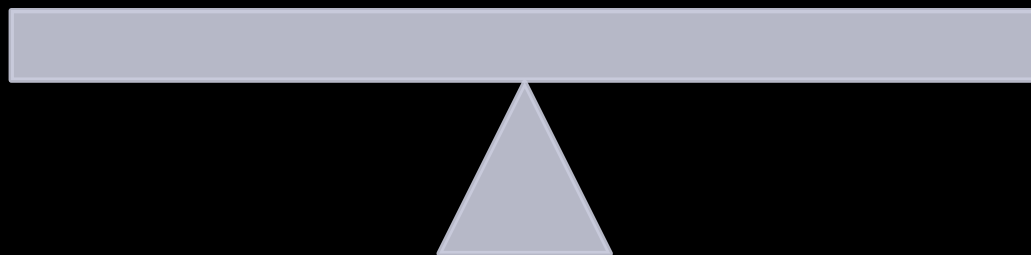
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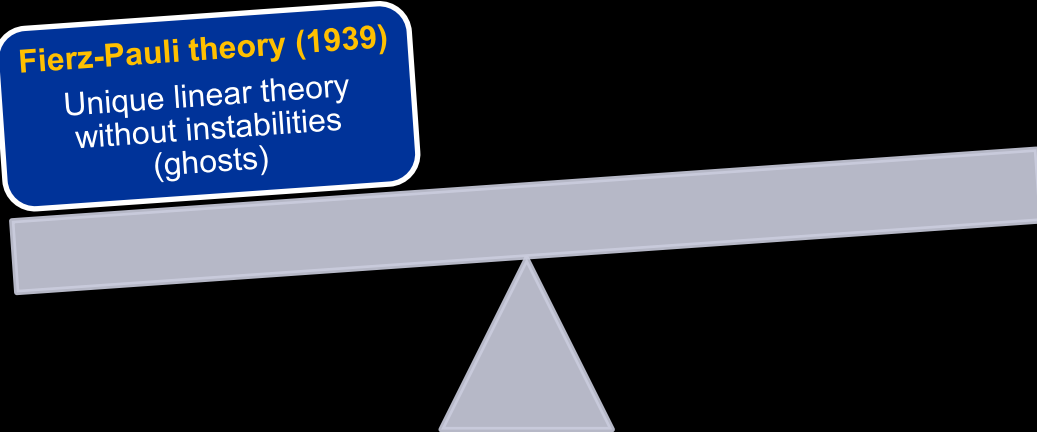
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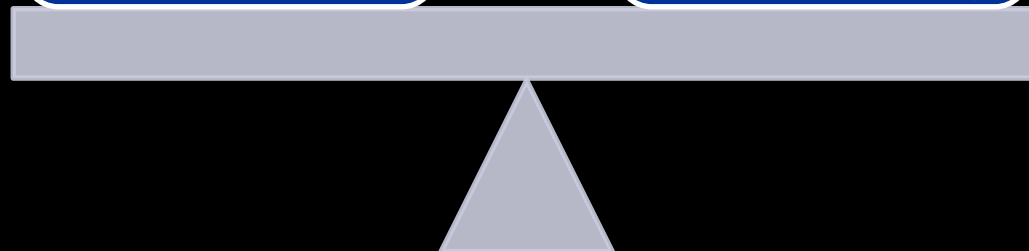
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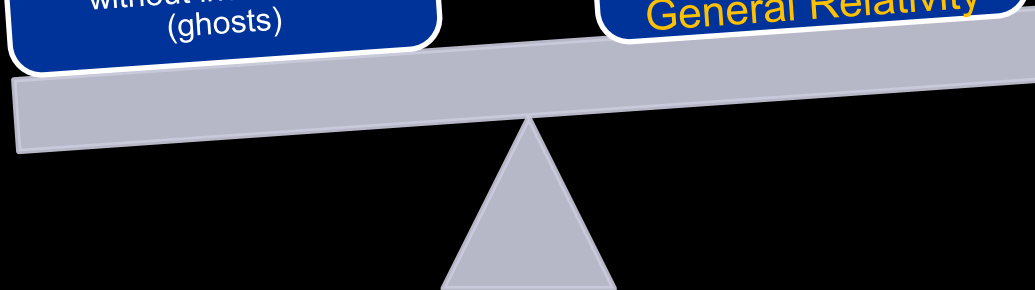
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de Rham-Gabadadze-Tolley (2010)

First example of nonlinear massive gravity without BD ghost since 1972

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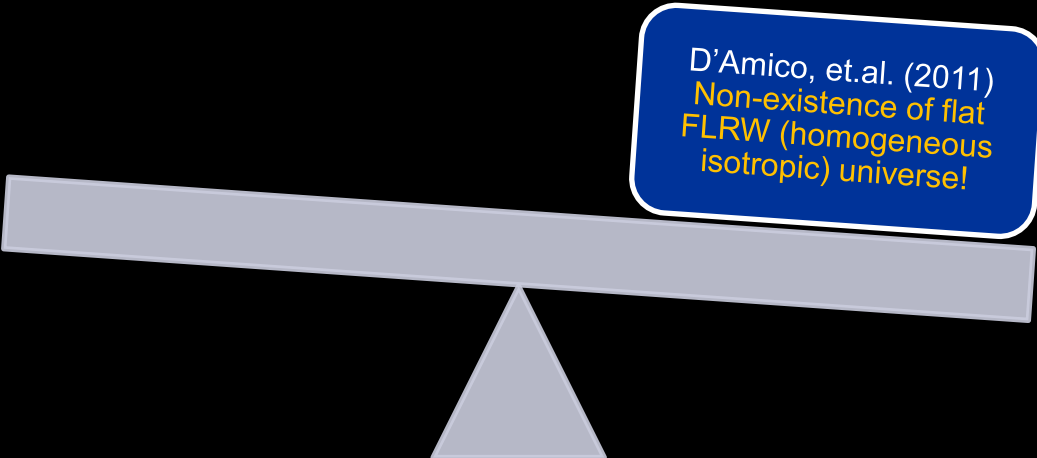
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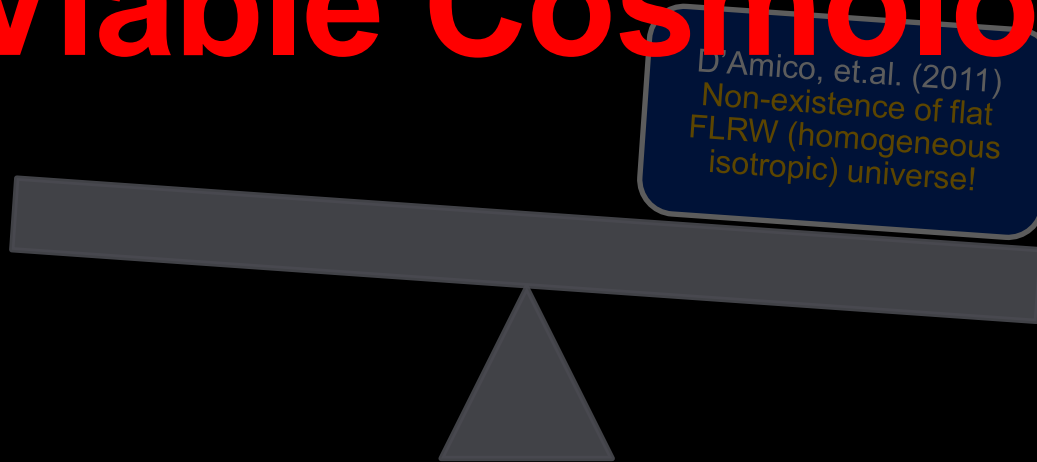
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**Consistent Theory
found in 2010 but**

No Viable Cosmology?



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Extended Minimal theories of massive gravity

De Felice & Mukohyama & Pookkillath,
arxiv:2206.03338

- 2 physical dof only = massive gravitational waves
- FLRW background more general than dRGT
- no BD ghost, no Higuchi ghost, no nonlinear ghost
- positivity bound does not apply
- better $G_{\text{eff}}(z)$ than original MTMG → Antonio's talk

Three steps to the Extended Minimal Theory

1. Start with GR Hamiltonian
2. Add general graviton mass term
3. Add 2 additional constraints

(It is easy to go to Lagrangian after 3.)

SUMMARY

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Summary of MMG part

- Minimal # of d.o.f. in modified gravity = 2
can be saturated → **minimally modified gravity (MMG)**
- **MMG evades many observational/experimental constraints**
- Type-I MMG: \exists Einstein frame
Type-II MMG: no Einstein frame
- All type-I MMG are obtained as
GR + canonical tr. + gauge-fixing (+ adding matter)
Rich phenomenology: w_{DE} , G_{eff} , etc.
- Examples of type-II MMG: Λ CDM and its extension (V Λ CDM)
GR + canonical tr. + cc & DM + gauge-fixing + inverse canonical tr.
 $V(f)$ & $f_1(f)$ reconstructed from $H(z)$ & $G_{eff}(z)$
May reduce H_0 & S_8 tension?
- Type-Ia&-IIa MMG: $c_{gw} = c_\gamma$
Type-Ib&-IIb MMG: $c_{gw} \neq c_\gamma$
Phenomenologically important &
Theoretically useful refinement

Summary of massive gravity part

- dRGT theory is free from BD ghost but its cosmology suffers from strong coupling and ghost instability. Stable cosmology requires either (i) new class of cosmological solutions or (ii) extended theories.
- MTMG and extended MTMG (also MTBG) provide stable nonlinear completion of massive gravity cosmology.
 - Testing grounds for gravitational phenomena that can be probed by GWs.
 - > Blue-tilted & amplified primordial GW
 - > Graviton Oscillation
 - > Massive graviton DM and GW
 - and more ...
 - May address tensions? → Antonio's talk

Modified gravity with 2 d.o.f. may be useful
as a tool to address tensions in cosmology

4 concrete examples

VCDM, VCCDM, MTMG, extended MTMG

Enjoy Antonio's talk

"How to address tensions in cosmology by modified gravity with 2 d.o.f."

Thank you!

Backup slides

Refined classification

[arXiv: 2103.15044 w/ Katsuki Aoki & Francesco Di Filippo]

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Implication of GW170817 on gravity theories @ late time

- $|(c_{\text{gw}} - c_\gamma) / c_\gamma| < 10^{-15}$ $X = -\partial^\mu \phi \partial_\mu \phi$
 - Horndeski theory (scalar-tensor theory with 2nd-order eom):
Among 4 free functions, $G_4(\phi, X)$ & $G_5(\phi, X)$ are strongly constrained. Still $G_2(\phi, X)$ & $G_3(\phi, X)$ are free.
 $G_3(\phi, X)$ may be constrained due to GW-DE interactions [Creminelli, Tambalo, Vernizzi, Yingcharoenrat 2019]
 - Generalized Proca theory (vector-tensor theory):
Among 6 (or more) free functions, $G_4(X)$ & $G_5(X)$ are strongly constrained. Still $G_2(X, F, Y, U)$, $G_3(X)$, $G_6(X)$, $g_5(X)$ are free. $X = -A^\mu A_\mu$
 - Horava-Lifshitz theory (renormalizable quantum gravity):
The coefficient of $R^{(3)}$ is strongly constrained
→ IR fixed point with $c_{\text{gw}} = c_\gamma$? How to speed up the RG flow?
 - Ghost condensation (EFT of scalar-tensor theory in Minkowski/de Sitter):
No additional constraint
 - Massive gravity (simplest modification of GR):
Upper bound on graviton mass $\approx 10^{-22} \text{eV}$
Much weaker than the requirement from acceleration
- c.f. "All" gravity theories (including general relativity):
The cosmological constant is strongly constrained $\approx 10^{-120}$.

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The very first example of completely stable & cosmologically viable theory of nonlinear bigravity. A testing ground for gravitational phenomena, e.g. graviton oscillation, that can be probed by GWs.

Massive gravitons as dark matter and gravitational waves

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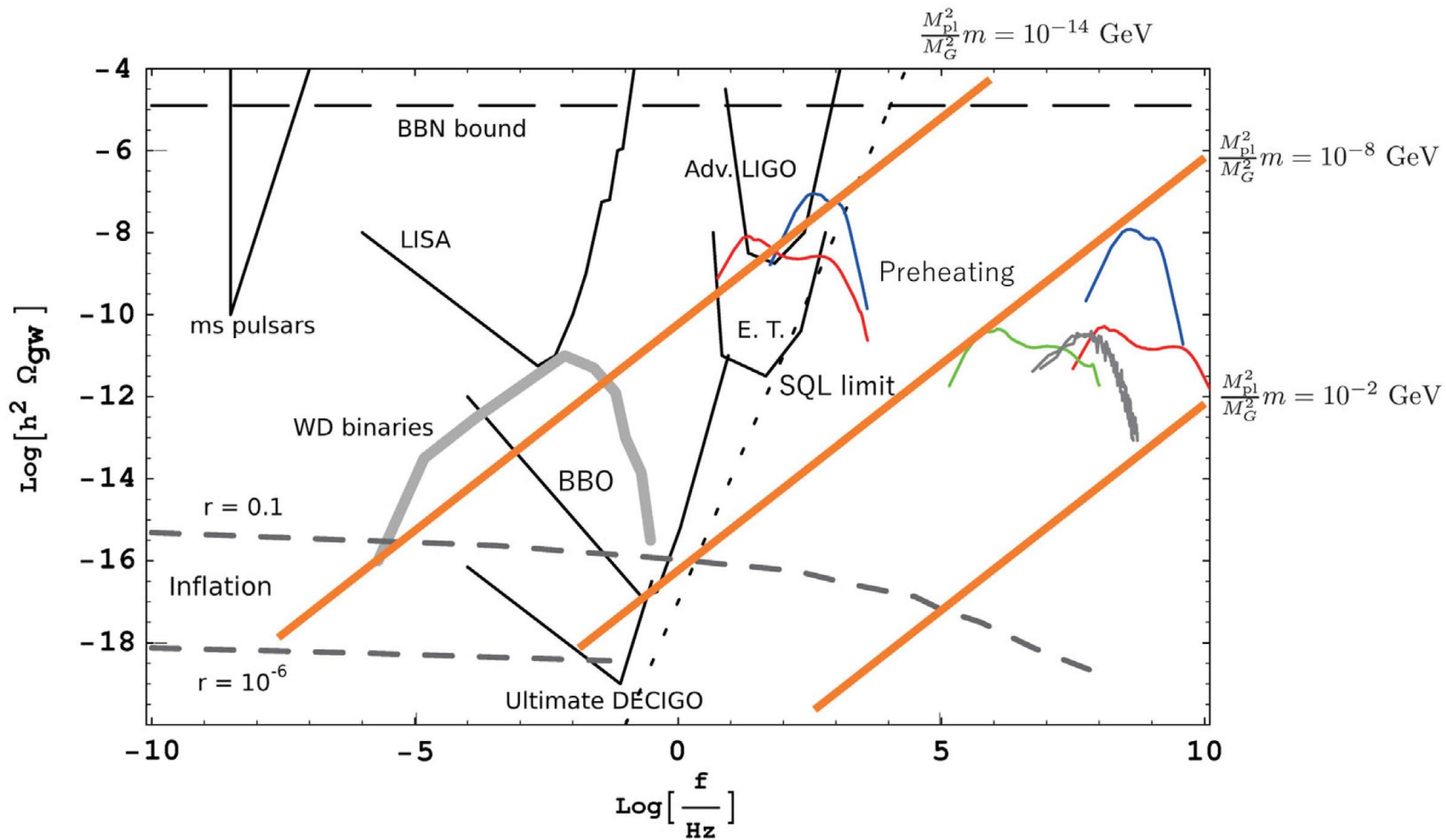
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