

Gravitational Imprints of Left-Right Symmetry Breaking

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Introduction & Motivation

- Standard Model (SM) – very successful, but incomplete: e.g. neutrino masses
- → possible extension(s) desired and studied
- one of the most popular scenarios: **Left-Right Symmetric Model (LRSM)**
- lack of new physics signals close to the electroweak scale
- need of novel ways allowing to probe higher energies

Left-Right Symmetric Models

- gauge theory respecting the symmetry $SU(3)_C \otimes SU(2)_L \otimes SU(2)_R \otimes U(1)_{B-L}$

Pati, Salam: PRD 10 (1974); Senjanovic, Mohapatra: PRD 12 (1975)

- possibly at energies near to the electroweak scale
→ of high interest, rich phenomenology, extensive literature

- right-handed neutrinos naturally included $(1, 2, 1, -1) \equiv L = (\nu_L \ e_L)^T$

$$(1, 1, 2, -1) \equiv R = (\nu_R \ e_R)^T$$

- SM Higgs accommodated in the bi-doublet $(1, 2, 2, 0) \equiv \Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1^0 & \phi_2^+ \\ \phi_1^- & \phi_2^0 \end{pmatrix}$

- left-right symmetry broken down to the SM by an additional scalar

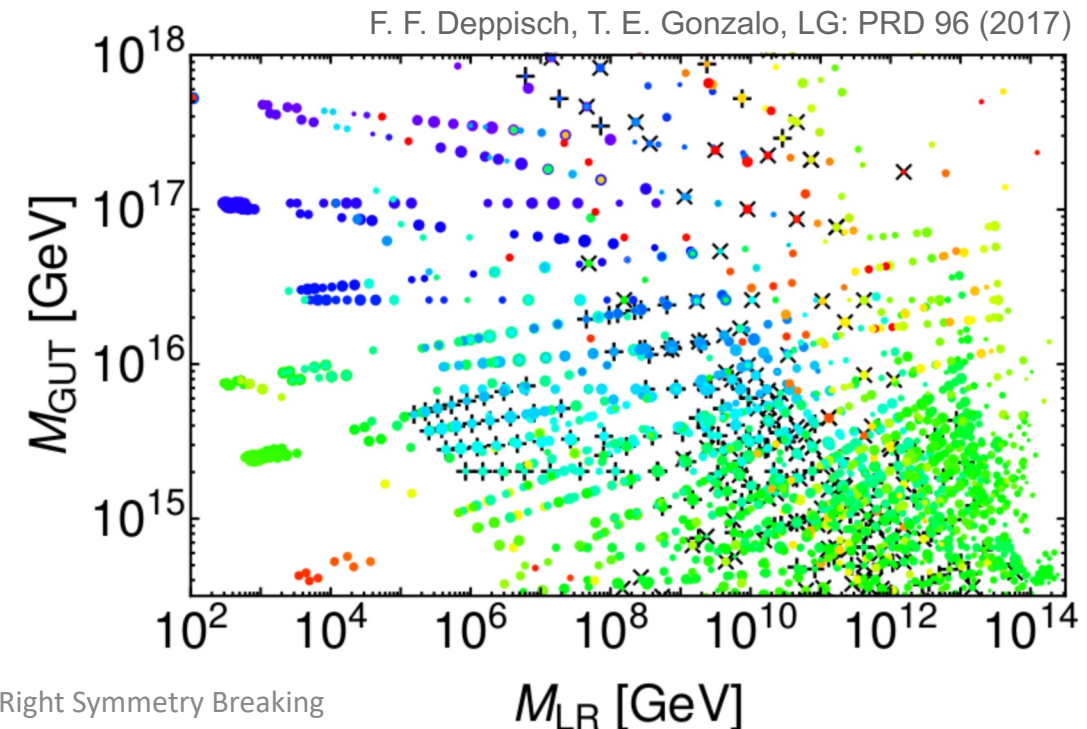
Left-Right Symmetric Models

- usual picture: SU(2) triplet scalars on top of the bi-doublet

$$(1, 3, 1, 0) \equiv \Delta_L = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\delta_L^+ & \delta_L^{++} \\ \delta_L^0 & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\delta_L^+ \end{pmatrix} \quad (1, 1, 3, 0) \equiv \Delta_R = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\delta_R^+ & \delta_R^{++} \\ \delta_R^0 & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\delta_R^+ \end{pmatrix}$$

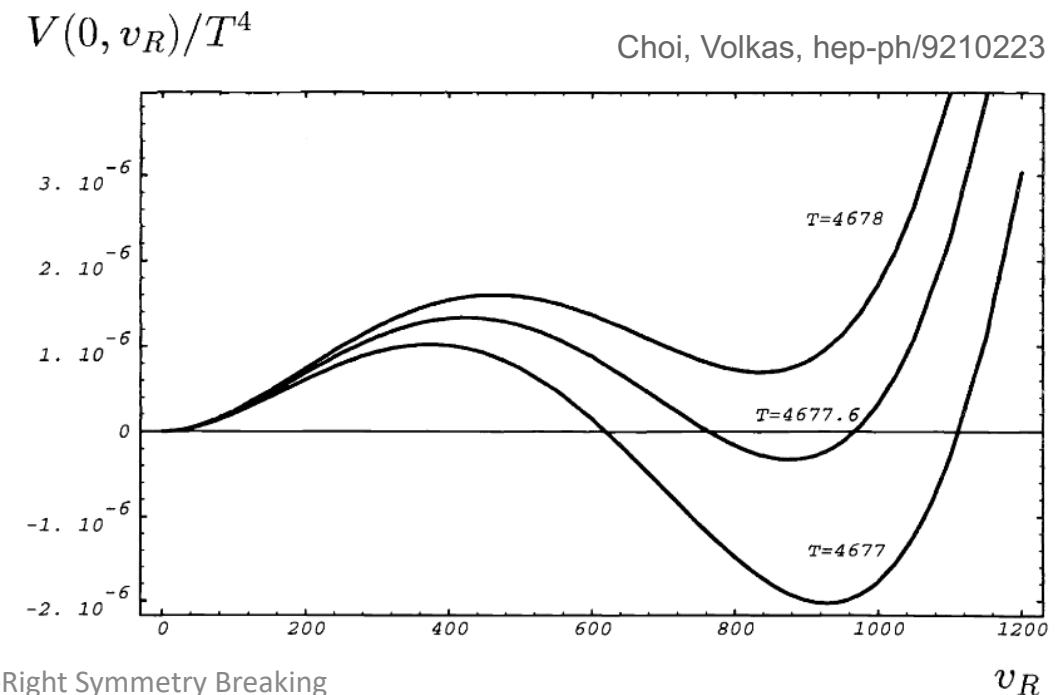
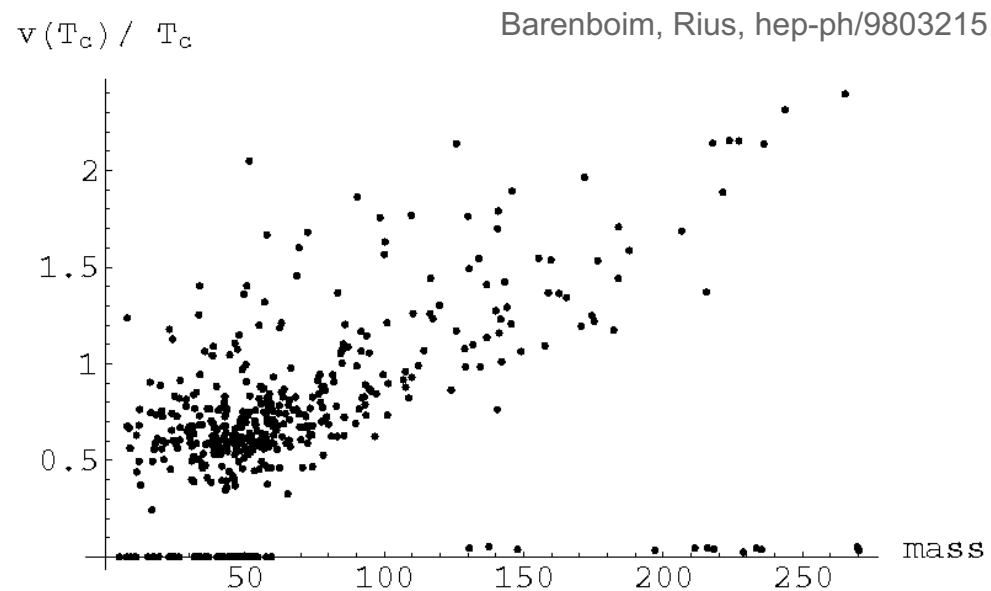
- → neutrino masses – both type I and II seesaw possible
- can be viewed as the first step to unification, e.g. SO(10) GUT

$$\begin{aligned}
 &SO(10) \\
 &\quad \downarrow \\
 &SU(3)_C \otimes SU(2)_L \otimes SU(2)_R \otimes U(1)_{B-L} \\
 &\quad \downarrow \\
 &SU(3)_C \otimes SU(2)_L \otimes U(1)_Y
 \end{aligned}$$



Our Focus

- infer whether L-R symmetric models yield observable gravitational wave signature from $SU(2)_R \times U(1)_{B-L} \rightarrow U(1)_Y$ phase transition
- such a probe would be complementary to collider searches
- previous studies of L-R models at finite temperature focused on the possibility to generate baryon asymmetry of the Universe through electroweak baryogenesis



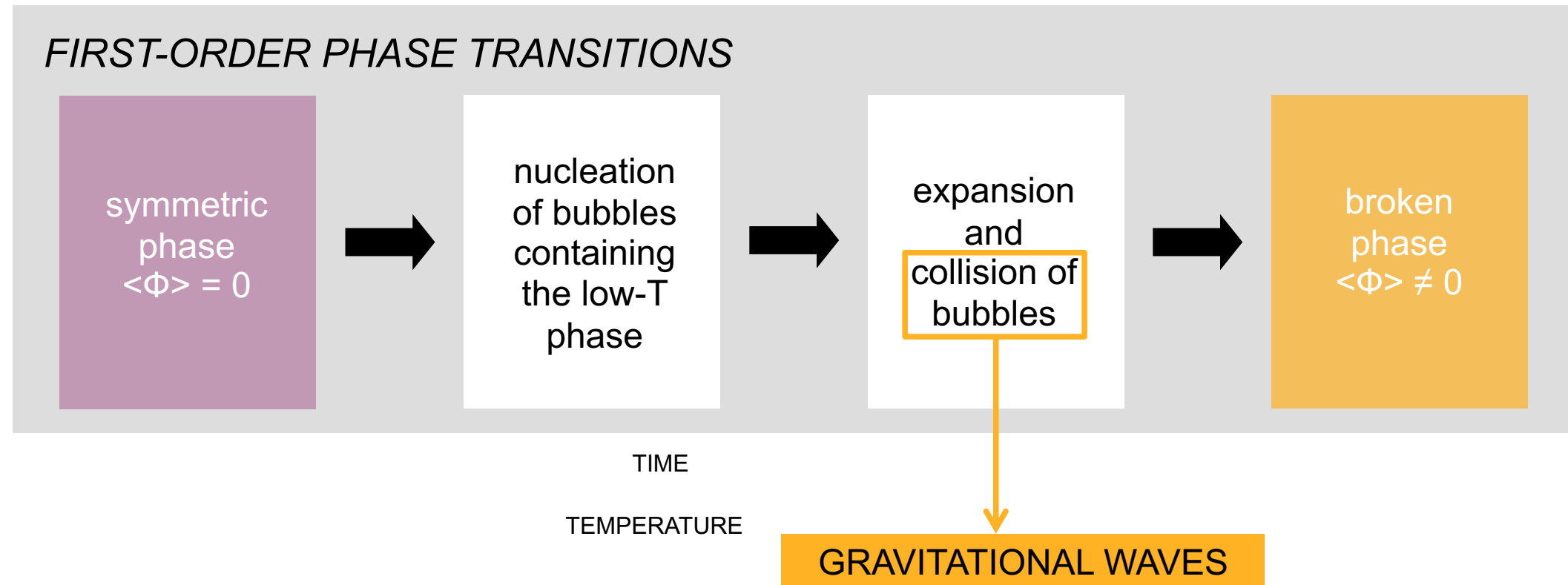
Gravitational Waves From PT

- first direct detection of GWs in 2016

Abbott et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. (2016)

- GWs can be also produced during first-order cosmic phase transitions

Witten, Phys. Rev. D (1984)



From Phase Transitions to GW

- 1. step: nucleation of bubbles containing the low-T phase

- decay rate of the false vacuum $\Gamma(T) \simeq T^4 \left(\frac{S_3}{2\pi T} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} e^{-S_3/T}$

- O(3) symmetric Euclidean action

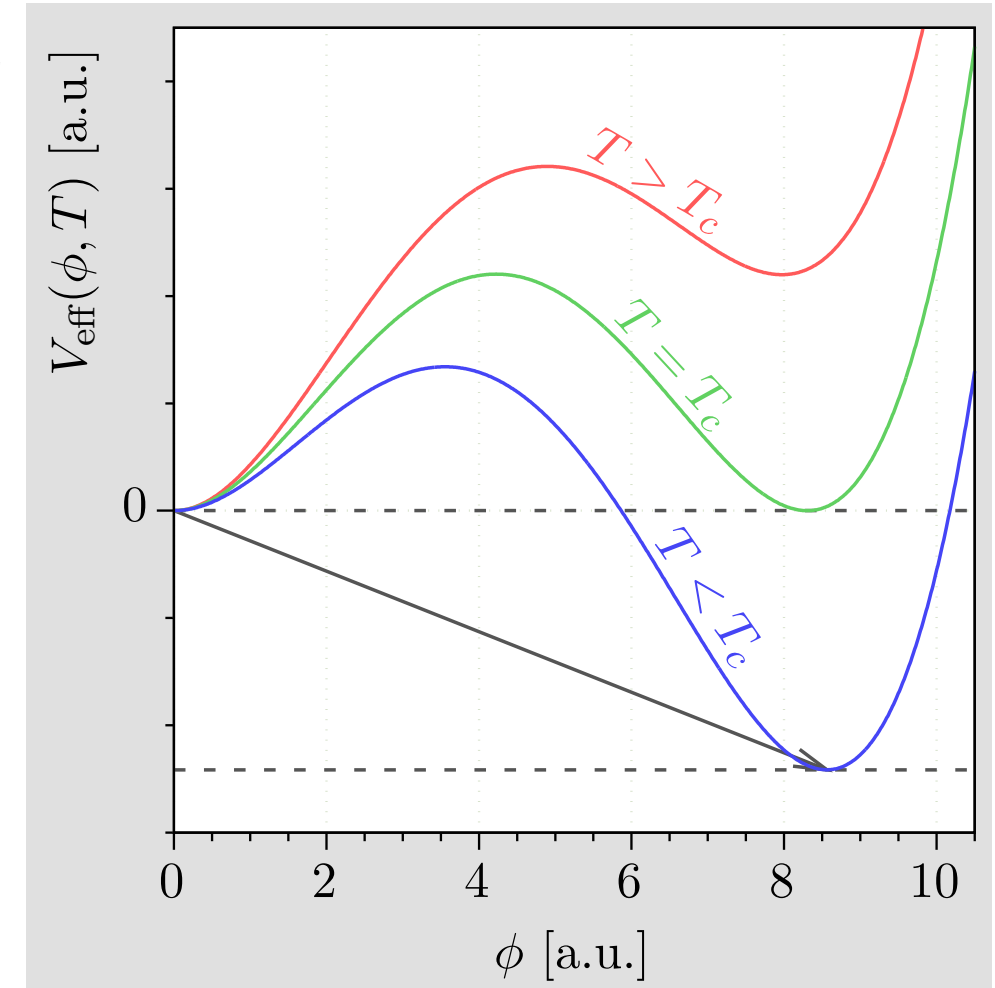
$$S_3 = \int_0^\infty dr dr^2 \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{d\phi(r)}{dr} \right)^2 + V(\phi, T) \right]$$

- bubble profile from equation of motion

$$\frac{d^2\phi}{dr^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{d\phi}{dr} = \frac{dV(\phi, T)}{d\phi}$$

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{d\phi(r)}{dr} = 0 \quad \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \phi(r) = 0$$

- nucleation temperature $\int_{T_n}^{T_c} \frac{dT}{T} \frac{\Gamma(T)}{H(T)^4} \stackrel{!}{=} 1$



From Phase Transitions to GW

- 2. step: expansion and collision of the bubbles

GRAVITATIONAL WAVE SOURCES

$$\Omega_{\text{GW}} h^2 = \Omega_{\text{sw}} h^2 + \Omega_{\text{turb}} h^2 + \Omega_{\text{coll}} h^2$$

- Collisions of bubble walls

Kosowsky, Turner, Watkins, Phys. Rev. D (1992)

- Plasma sound waves

Hindmarsh et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. (2014)

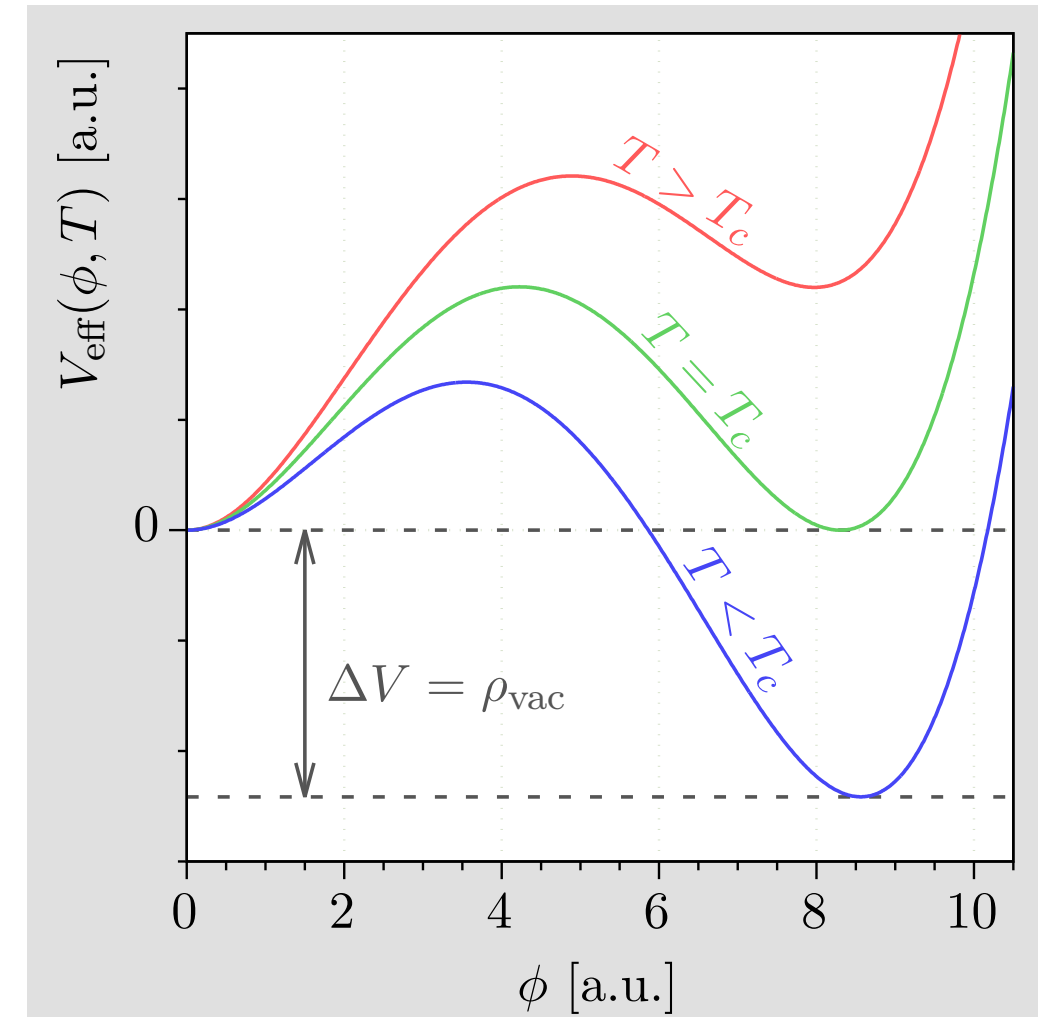
- Plasma turbulence

Caprini, Durrer, Phys. Rev. D (2006)

numerical
simulations

PT parameters

Spectrum: $h^2 \Omega_{\text{GW}}(f; v_w, \alpha, \beta, T_n)$

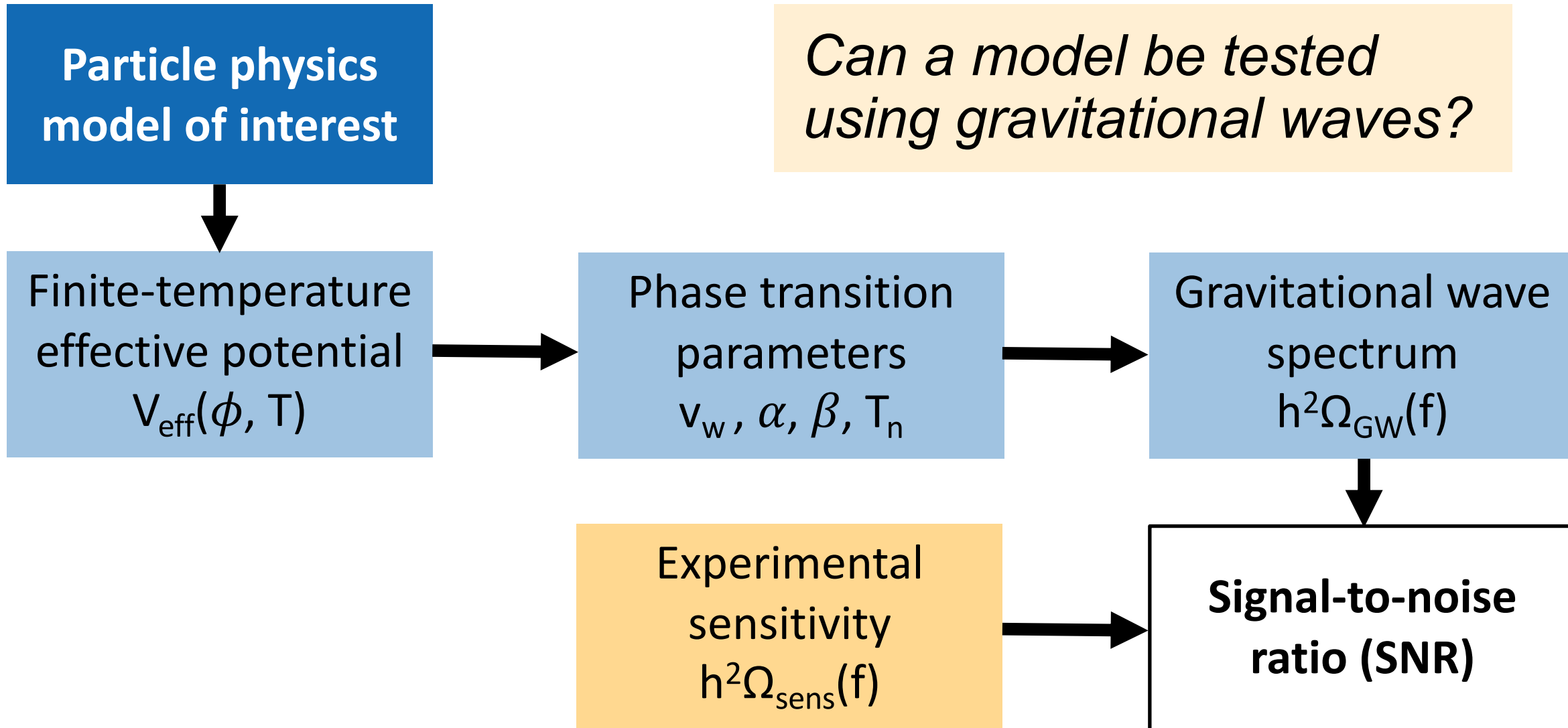


Key Phase Transition Parameters

Gravitational wave background spectrum $h^2\Omega_{\text{GW}}(f; v_w, \alpha, \beta, T_n)$

- bubble wall velocity v_w
 - generally, depends on interaction between ϕ and plasma
 - typically, $v_w \rightarrow 1$ for strong phase transitions
- normalized available energy $\alpha = \frac{1}{\rho_{\text{rad}}(T_n)} \left(\Delta V(T_n) - \frac{T_n}{4} \frac{\partial \Delta V(T)}{\partial T} \Big|_{T=T_n} \right)$
- inverse duration of the PT $\beta = H(T_n)T_n \cdot \frac{d(S_3/T)}{dT} \Big|_{T=T_n}$

General Approach



L-R Symmetry: The Usual Setup

- tree level scalar potential:

$$V_{\text{tree}} = V_{\Phi} + V_{\Delta} + V_{\Phi\Delta}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Phi \rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \kappa_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \kappa_2 \end{pmatrix} & V_{\Phi} &= -\mu_1^2 \text{Tr}[\Phi^\dagger \Phi] - \mu_2^2 (\text{Tr}[\tilde{\Phi} \Phi^\dagger] + \text{Tr}[\tilde{\Phi}^\dagger \Phi]) - \mu_3^2 (\text{Tr}[\Delta_L \Delta_L^\dagger] + \text{Tr}[\Delta_R \Delta_R^\dagger]) + \lambda_1 \text{Tr}[\Phi^\dagger \Phi]^2 \\ & & & + \lambda_2 (\text{Tr}[\tilde{\Phi} \Phi^\dagger]^2 + \text{Tr}[\tilde{\Phi}^\dagger \Phi]^2) + \lambda_3 \text{Tr}[\tilde{\Phi} \Phi^\dagger] \text{Tr}[\tilde{\Phi}^\dagger \Phi] + \lambda_4 \text{Tr}[\Phi^\dagger \Phi] (\text{Tr}[\tilde{\Phi} \Phi^\dagger] + \text{Tr}[\tilde{\Phi}^\dagger \Phi]) \\ \langle \Delta_L \rangle &= 0 & V_{\Delta} &= \rho_1 (\text{Tr}[\Delta_L \Delta_L^\dagger]^2 + \text{Tr}[\Delta_R \Delta_R^\dagger]^2) + \rho_2 (\text{Tr}[\Delta_L \Delta_L] \text{Tr}[\Delta_L^\dagger \Delta_L^\dagger] + \text{Tr}[\Delta_R \Delta_R] \text{Tr}[\Delta_R^\dagger \Delta_R^\dagger]) \\ & & & + \rho_3 \text{Tr}[\Delta_L \Delta_L^\dagger] \text{Tr}[\Delta_R \Delta_R^\dagger] + \rho_4 (\text{Tr}[\Delta_L \Delta_L] \text{Tr}[\Delta_R^\dagger \Delta_R^\dagger] + \text{Tr}[\Delta_L^\dagger \Delta_L^\dagger] \text{Tr}[\Delta_R \Delta_R]) , \\ \langle \Delta_R \rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ v_R & 0 \end{pmatrix} & V_{\Phi\Delta} &= \alpha_1 \text{Tr}[\Phi^\dagger \Phi] (\text{Tr}[\Delta_L \Delta_L^\dagger] + \text{Tr}[\Delta_R \Delta_R^\dagger]) + \alpha_3 (\text{Tr}[\Phi \Phi^\dagger \Delta_L \Delta_L^\dagger] + \text{Tr}[\Phi^\dagger \Phi \Delta_R \Delta_R^\dagger]) \\ & & & + \alpha_2 (\text{Tr}[\Delta_L \Delta_L^\dagger] \text{Tr}[\tilde{\Phi} \Phi^\dagger] + \text{Tr}[\Delta_R \Delta_R^\dagger] \text{Tr}[\tilde{\Phi}^\dagger \Phi] + \text{h.c.}) \\ & & & + \beta_1 (\text{Tr}[\Phi \Delta_R \Phi^\dagger \Delta_L^\dagger] + \text{Tr}[\Phi^\dagger \Delta_L \Phi \Delta_R^\dagger]) + \beta_2 (\text{Tr}[\tilde{\Phi} \Delta_R \Phi^\dagger \Delta_L^\dagger] + \text{Tr}[\tilde{\Phi}^\dagger \Delta_L \Phi \Delta_R^\dagger]) \\ & & & + \beta_3 (\text{Tr}[\Phi \Delta_R \tilde{\Phi}^\dagger \Delta_L^\dagger] + \text{Tr}[\Phi^\dagger \Delta_L \tilde{\Phi} \Delta_R^\dagger]) , \\ \tan \beta &= \frac{\kappa_2}{\kappa_1} \end{aligned}$$

Generating Benchmark Points

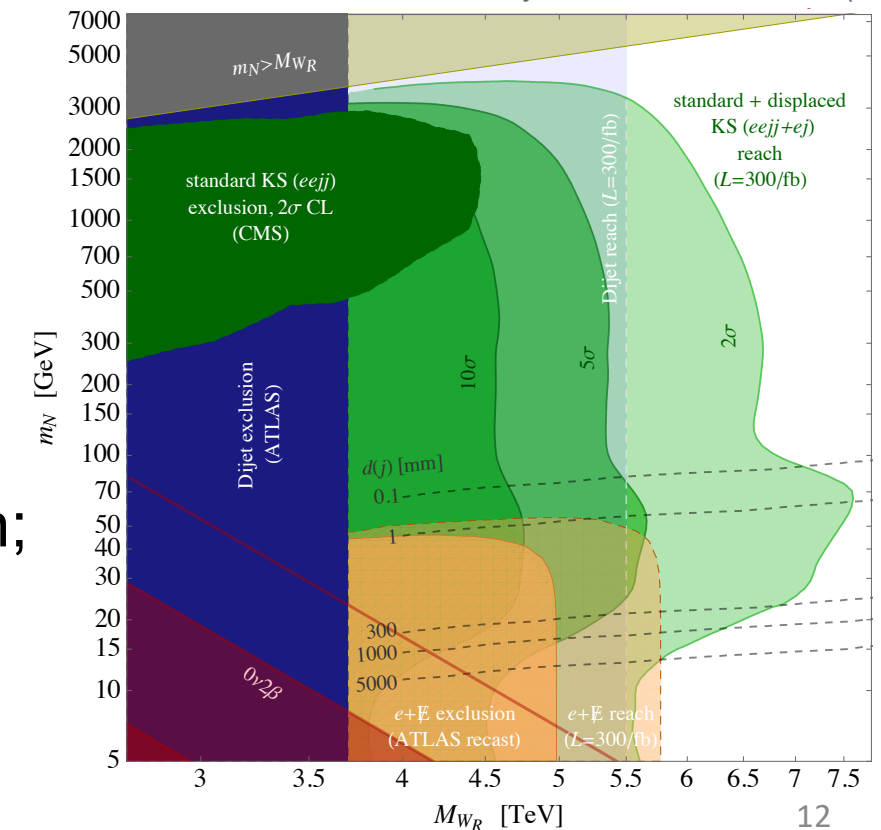
Dev et al., JHEP 02 (2019)

- the potential at the tree level is bounded from below and has a global minimum with the predefined VEVs

$$\begin{aligned}
 v &= 246 \text{ GeV}, \quad v_R \in [10^4, 10^6] \text{ GeV}, \quad \tan \beta = \tan 10^{-3}, \\
 \lambda_1 &= 0.13, \quad \lambda_2 = 0, \quad \lambda_3 \in [0, 2], \quad \lambda_4 = 0, \\
 \rho_1 &\in [0, 0.5], \quad \rho_2 \in [0, 2], \quad \rho_3 \in [1, 2], \quad \rho_4 = 0, \\
 \alpha_1 &= 0, \quad \alpha_2 \in [0, 0.5], \quad \alpha_3 \in [0, 1], \\
 \beta_1 &= \beta_2 = \beta_3 = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

- the VEVs satisfy: $v \approx 246 \text{ GeV}$ and $v_R \gtrsim 104 \text{ GeV}$ (to make W_R sufficiently heavy and thus satisfy the LHC bounds)
- the physical spectrum contains a scalar with mass $m_h \approx 125 \text{ GeV}$ and the properties of the SM Higgs boson; all the other bosons (except for the six Goldstone bosons) have masses at the same order as v_R

Nemvsek et al., Phys. Rev. D 97, 115018 (2018)



Left-Right Effective Potential

- the full potential:

$$V_{\text{eff}}(r, T) = V_0(r) + V_{\text{CW}}(r) + V_{\text{FT}}(r, T) + V_{\text{D}}(r, T)$$

$$v_R \gg \kappa_1, \kappa_2 \longrightarrow V_0(r) = -\frac{1}{2}\mu_3^2 r^2 + \frac{1}{4}\rho_1 r^4 \quad \text{with} \quad r := \text{Re} \delta_R^0 / \sqrt{2}$$

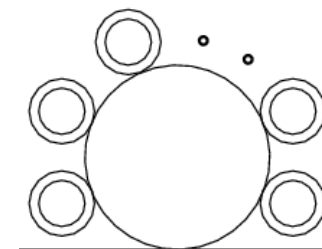
- Coleman-Weinberg:
$$V_{\text{CW}}(r) = \frac{1}{64\pi^2} \left[\sum_i m_i^4(r) \left(\log \frac{m_i^2(r)}{\mu^2} - \frac{3}{2} \right) + 6m_{W_R}^4(r) \left(\log \frac{m_{W_R}^2(r)}{\mu^2} - \frac{5}{6} \right) + 3m_{Z_R}^4(r) \left(\log \frac{m_{Z_R}^2(r)}{\mu^2} - \frac{5}{6} \right) - 6m_{\nu_R}^4(r) \left(\log \frac{m_{\nu_R}^2(r)}{\mu^2} - \frac{3}{2} \right) \right]$$

- 1-loop thermal contribution:

$$V_{\text{FT}}(r, T) = \frac{T^4}{2\pi^2} \left[\sum_i J_{\text{B}} \left(\frac{m_i^2(r)}{T^2} \right) + 6J_{\text{B}} \left(\frac{m_{W_R}^2(r)}{T^2} \right) + 3J_{\text{B}} \left(\frac{m_{Z_R}^2(r)}{T^2} \right) - 6J_{\text{F}} \left(\frac{m_{\nu_R}^2(r)}{T^2} \right) \right]$$

- perturbative expansion fails at large T
 \rightarrow resummed daisy graphs

$$V_{\text{D}}(r, T) = -\frac{T}{12\pi} \sum_i \left[M_i^3(r) - m_i^3(r) \right]$$



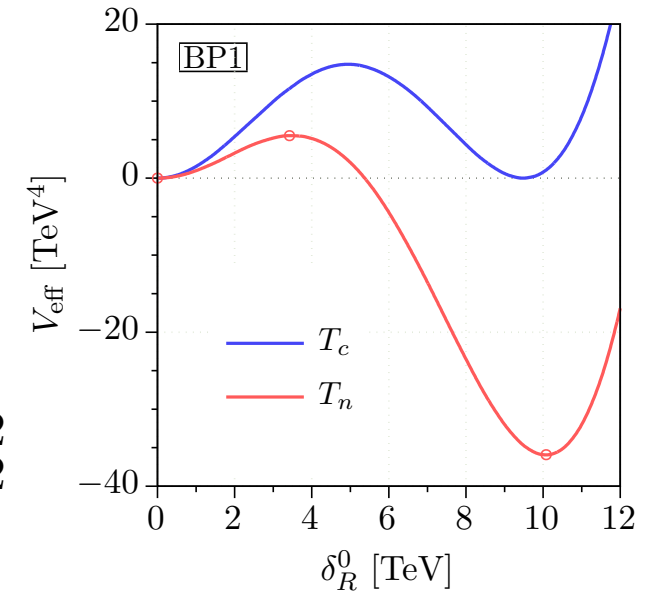
M.Quiros, arXiv:hep-ph/9901312
 M.E.Carrington Phys. Rev. D45 (1992)

Phase Transition – Dependence on ρ_1

- phase transition gets stronger when ρ_1 decreases
- choosing ρ_1 to be small brings r sector near **scale-invariant limit**

$$\mu_3^2 = \rho_1 v_R^2 + \frac{1}{2} \alpha_1 (\kappa_1^2 + \kappa_2^2) + 2\alpha_2 \kappa_1 \kappa_2 + \frac{1}{2} \alpha_3 \kappa_2^2$$

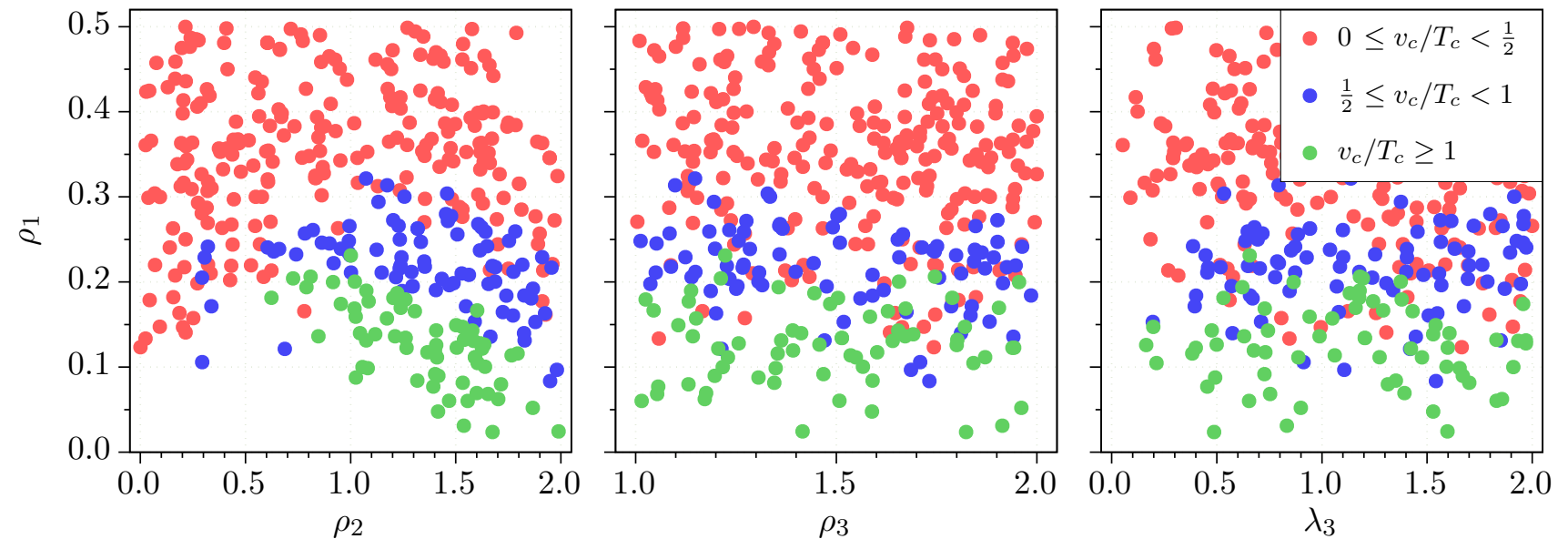
$$\rho_1 \ll 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mu_3 \ll v_R$$



V. Brdar, LG, A. J. Helmboldt, X. Xu: JCAP 12 (2019)

- phase transitions in theories based on nearly conformal dynamics are typically strong and of first order

Konstandin, Servant arXiv:1104.4791



Stochastic Gravitational Wave Signal

Caprini et al. arXiv:1512.06239
Huber, Konstantin arXiv:0806.1828

- for all benchmark points we find the so-called “non-runaway” scenario \Rightarrow dominant production from sound waves and magnetohydrodynamic turbulence following bubble collisions

$$\Omega_{\text{GW}} h^2 \simeq \Omega_{\text{sw}} h^2 + \Omega_{\text{turb}} h^2$$

- sound waves: $\Omega_{\text{sw}} h^2 = 2.65 \cdot 10^{-6} \left(\frac{H}{\beta} \right) \left(\frac{\kappa_v \alpha}{1 + \alpha} \right)^2 \left(\frac{100}{g_*} \right)^{1/3} v_w \left(\frac{f}{f_{\text{sw}}} \right)^3 \left(\frac{7}{4 + 3(f/f_{\text{sw}})^2} \right)^{7/2}$

$$\kappa_v = \alpha (0.73 + 0.083\sqrt{\alpha} + \alpha)^{-1}$$

$$f \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow \Omega_{\text{sw}} h^2 \propto f^3$$

$$f \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \Omega_{\text{sw}} h^2 \propto f^{-4}$$

- magnetohydrodynamic turbulence:

$$\Omega_{\text{turb}} h^2 = 3.35 \cdot 10^{-4} \left(\frac{H}{\beta} \right) \left(\frac{\kappa_{\text{turb}} \alpha}{1 + \alpha} \right)^{3/2} \left(\frac{100}{g_*} \right)^{1/3} v_w \left(\frac{f}{f_{\text{turb}}} \right)^3 \frac{1}{[1 + (f/f_{\text{turb}})]^{11/3} (1 + 8\pi f/h_*)}$$

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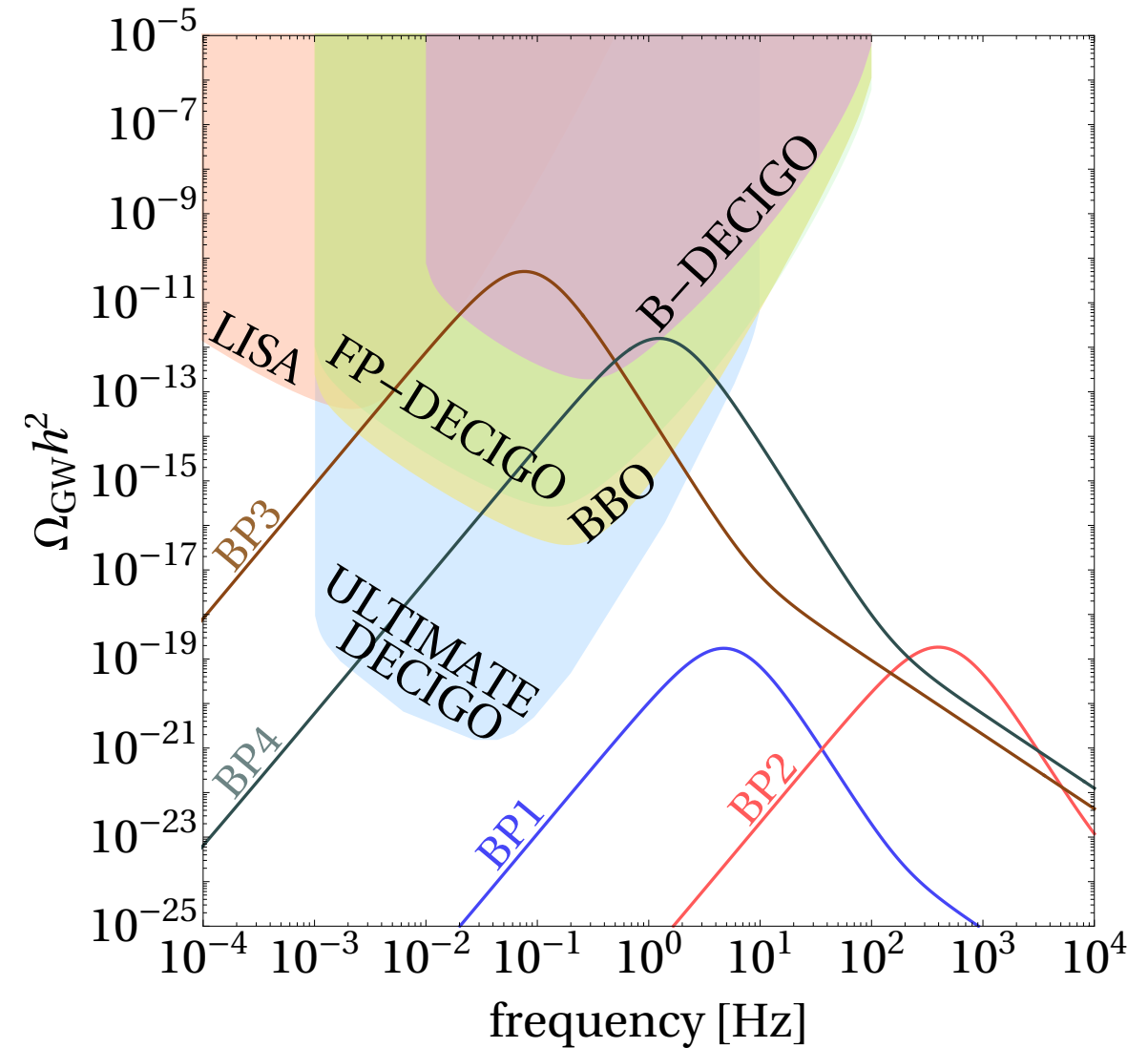
Gravitational Wave Spectrum

- space-based detectors will be able to probe the model for small value of ρ_1 (BP3, BP4)
- tree-level shallow potential is vulnerable to the CW correction: to this end, for BP3 and BP4 we fine-tune RH neutrino Yukawa coupling

Nemevsek et al., JHEP 1704 (2017) 114

- GW strength does not depend on this tuning

	α	β/H	T_n [GeV]	T_c [GeV]
BP1	0.0035	4007	5896	6216
BP2	0.0034	3458	5.754×10^5	6.063×10^5
BP3	0.46	626.2	608.3	9451
BP4	0.18	1386	4484	7469



BP3 SNR: LISA (11.76), B-DECIGO (672.7)

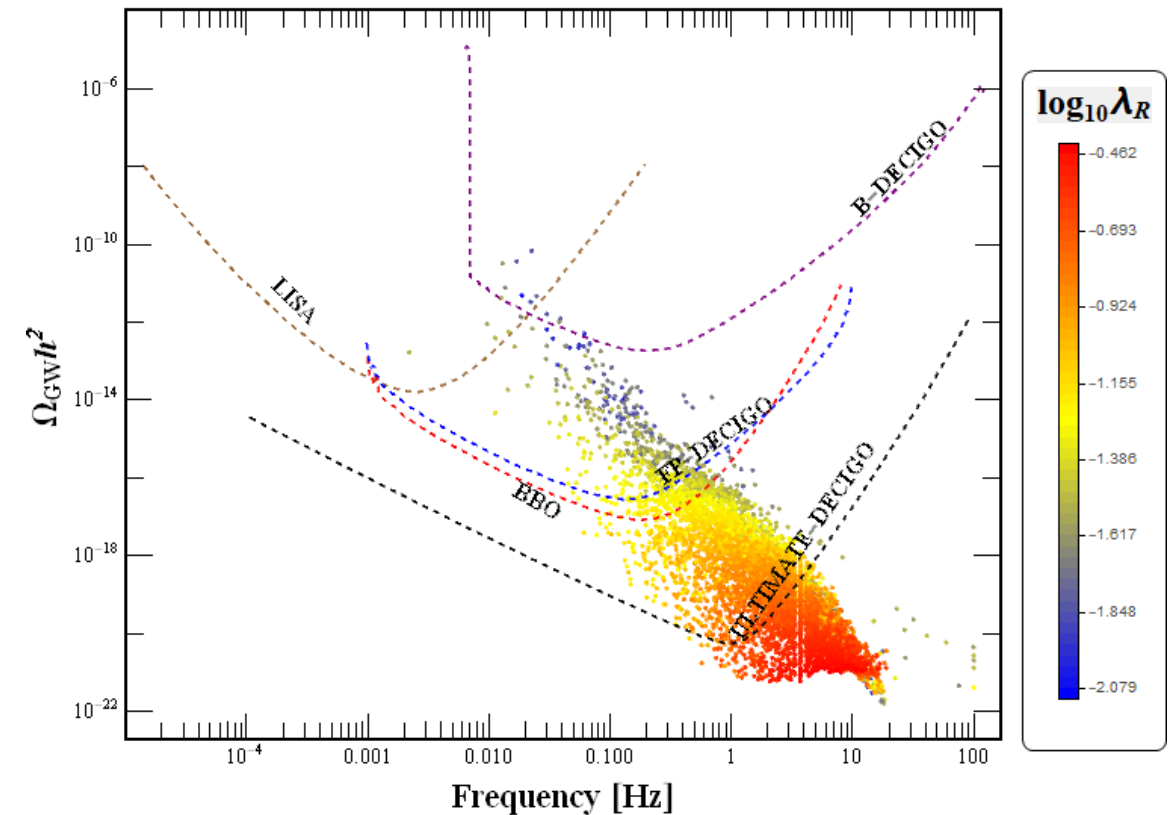
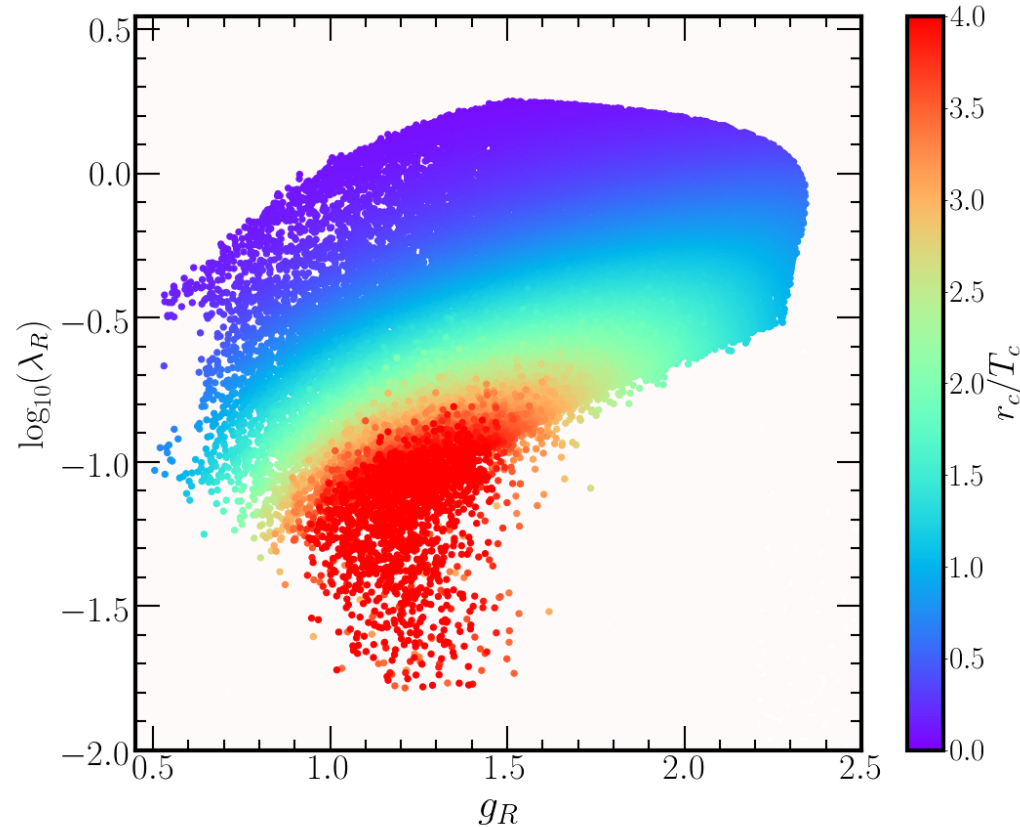
BP4 SNR: LISA $O(10^{-4})$, B-DECIGO (16.69)

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LRSM with Minimal Scalar Sector

- scalar sector: only a pair of doublets: $\chi_L = \begin{pmatrix} \chi_L^+ \\ \chi_L^0 \end{pmatrix} \sim (1, 2, 1, +1), \quad \chi_R = \begin{pmatrix} \chi_R^+ \\ \chi_R^0 \end{pmatrix} \sim (1, 1, 2, +1)$

$$V = -(\mu_L^2 \chi_L^\dagger \chi_L + \mu_R^2 \chi_R^\dagger \chi_R) + \frac{\lambda_L}{2} (\chi_L^\dagger \chi_L)^2 + \frac{\lambda_R}{2} (\chi_R^\dagger \chi_R)^2 + \lambda (\chi_L^\dagger \chi_L) (\chi_R^\dagger \chi_R)$$

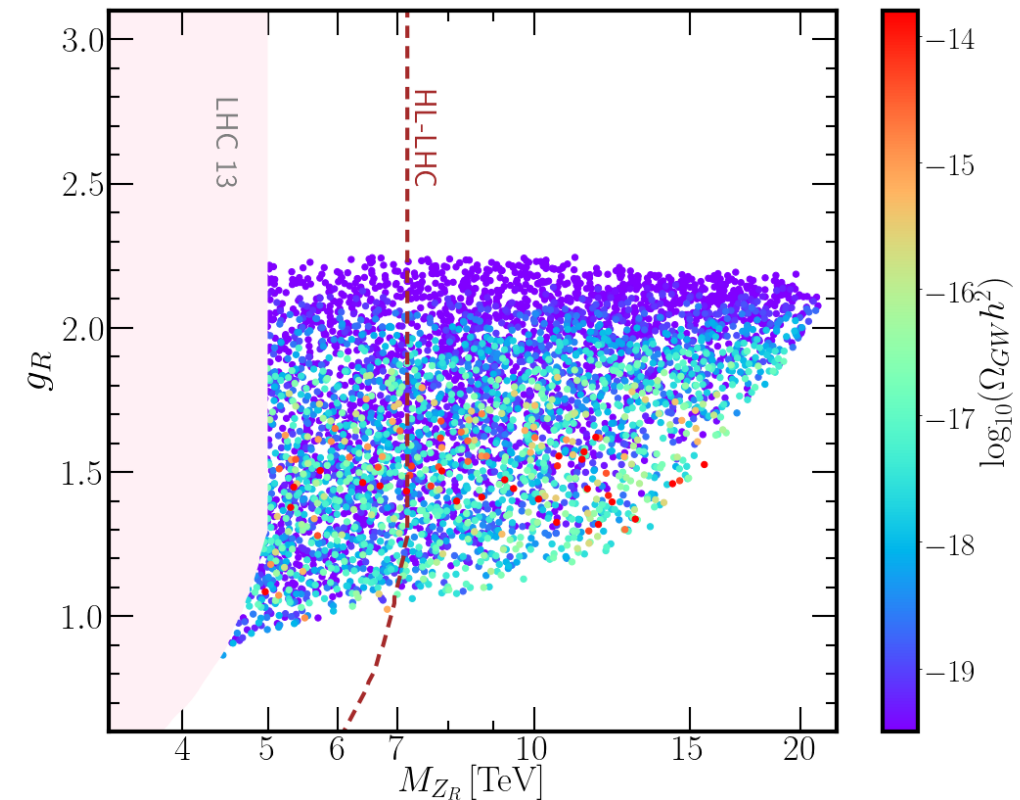
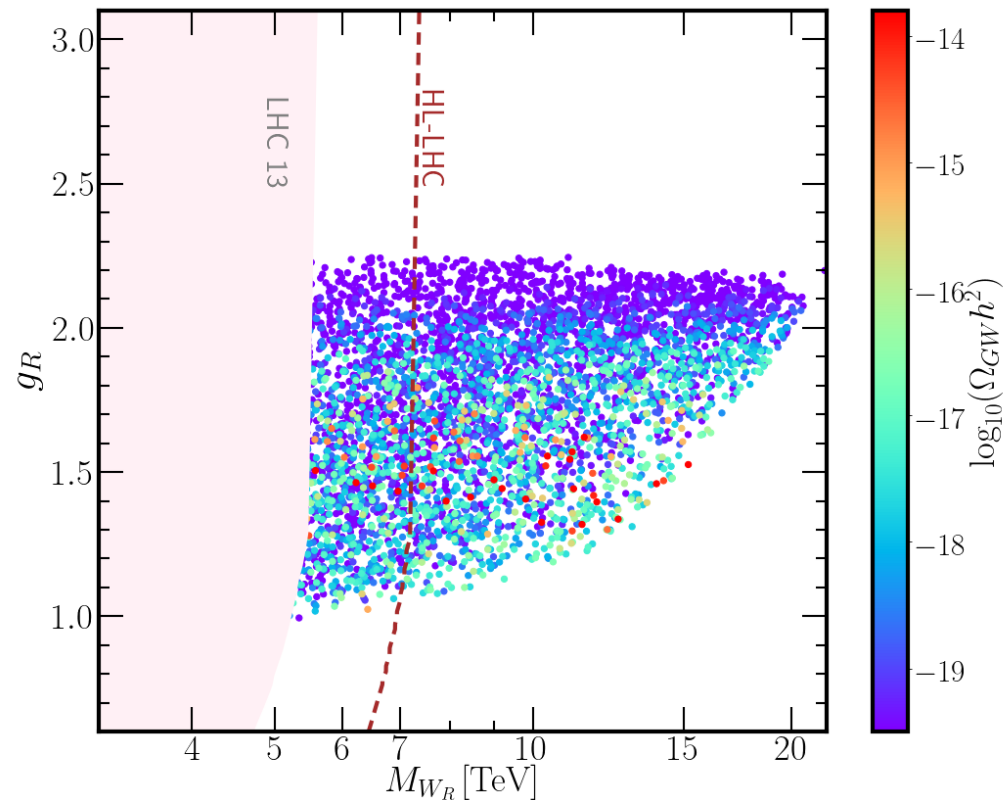


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Thank you for your attention!

Benchmark Points

	BP1	BP2	BP3	BP4
v/GeV	246	246	246	246
v_R/GeV	10^4	10^6	10^4	5×10^4
$\tan \beta$	10^{-3}	10^{-3}	0	0
λ_1	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13
λ_2	0	0	0	0
λ_3	1.2040	0.88814	0.6	0.6
λ_4	0	0	0	0
ρ_1	0.13414	0.11146	0.001	0.002
ρ_2	1.2613	1.4109	0.900218	0.401126
ρ_3	1.5140	1.5489	0.900215	0.401126
ρ_4	0	0	0	0.040113
α_1	0	0	0	0
α_2	0.30246	0.15557	0	0
α_3	0.10765	0.11185	1.14815	0.378138
$\beta_{1,2,3}$	0	0	0	0
g	0.65	0.65	0.65	0.65
g_{B-L}	0.4324	0.4324	0.4324	0.4324
y_t	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95
y_M	1	1	0.78595	0.52404

Gravitational Wave Detectors

- **ground-based observatories:** LIGO and Virgo (phases O2, O3 and “Design”)
- **space-based detectors:** LISA, Big Bang Observer, DECIGO (two stages: B-DECIGO and FP-DECIGO)

- we define signal-to-noise ratio (SNR):
Thrane, Romano: arXiv: 1310.5300

$$\text{SNR} = \sqrt{2t_{\text{obs}} \int_{f_{\text{min}}}^{f_{\text{max}}} df \left[\frac{\Omega_{\text{GW}}(f) h^2}{\Omega_{\text{noise}}(f) h^2} \right]^2}$$

- $\Omega_{\text{noise}} h^2$ is effective strain noise power spectral density (different from sensitivity curves)
- for all space-based measurements $t_{\text{obs}} = 5$ years assumed