

Inflationary Gravitational Wave Spectral Shapes as test for Low-Scale Leptogenesis

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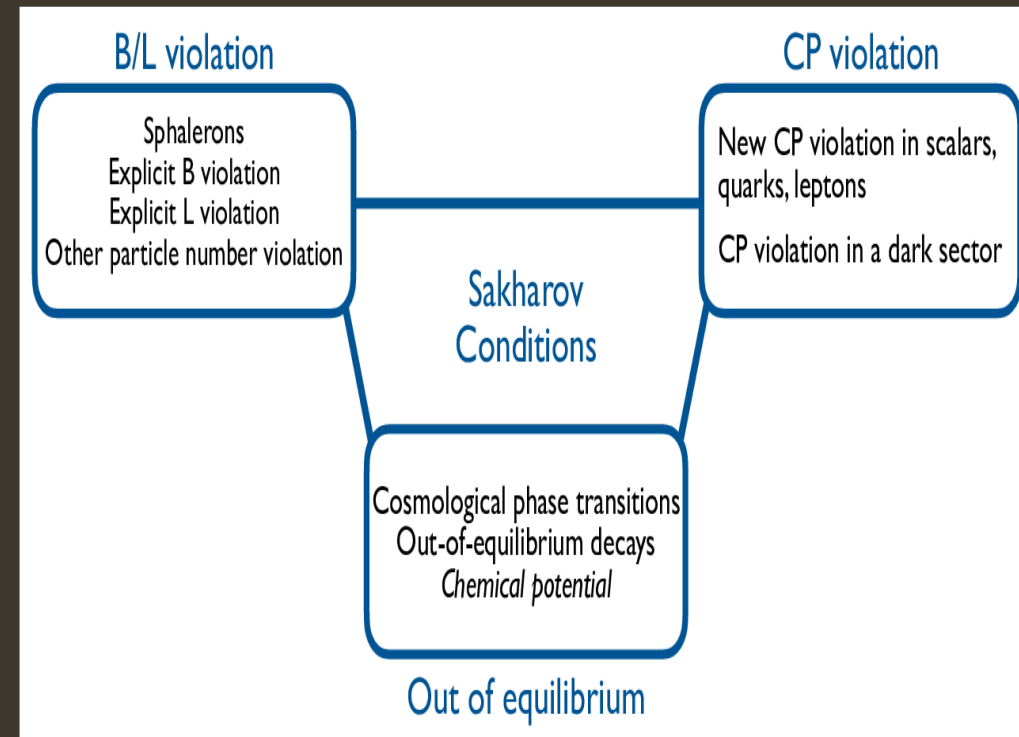
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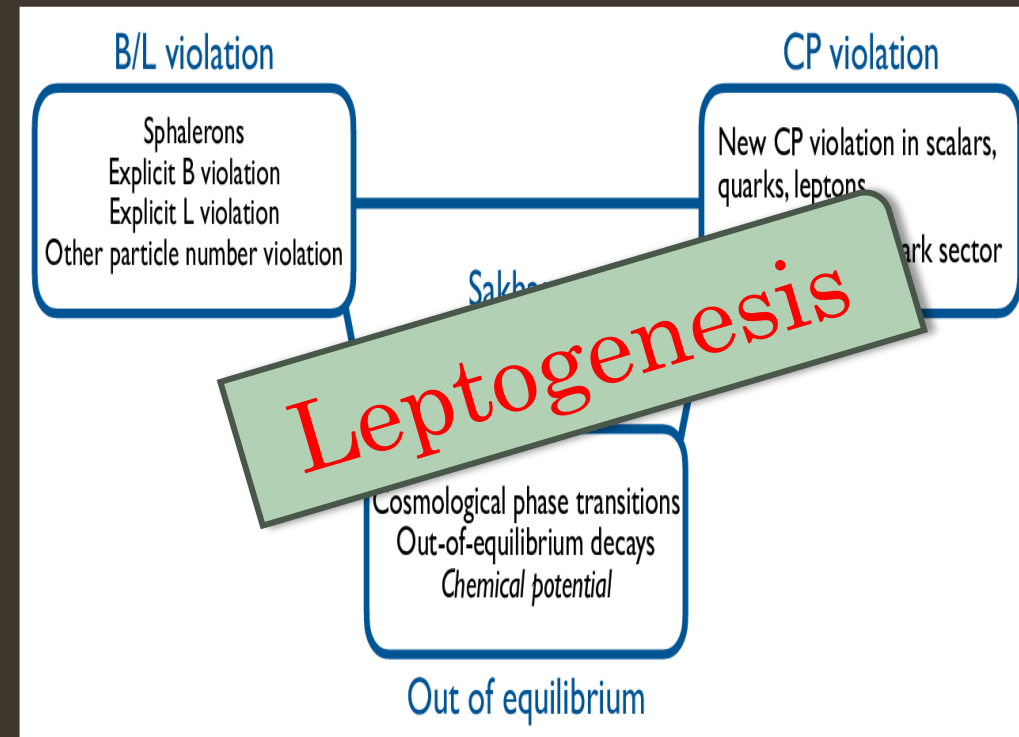
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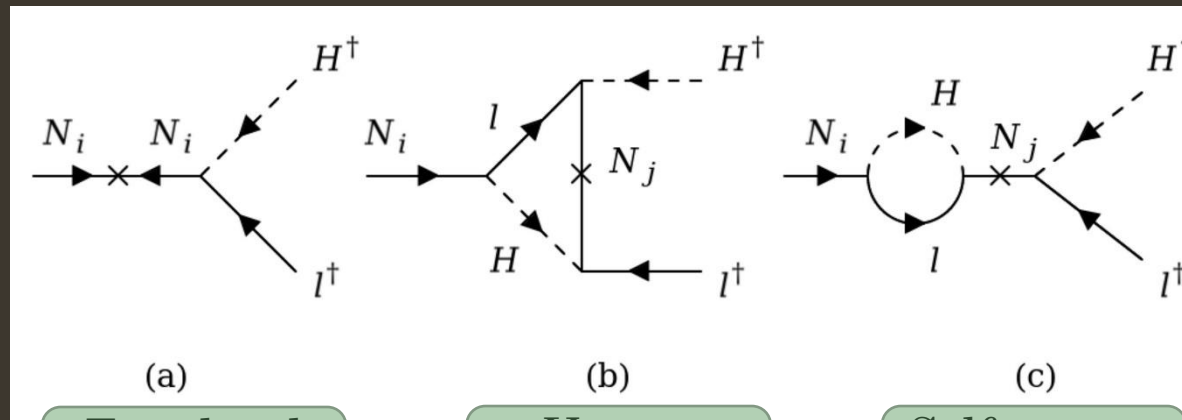
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(a)
Tree level
Diagram

(b)
Vertex
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(c)
Self-energy
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Testability of Leptogenesis :

Thermal Leptogenesis

$$(M_1 \ll M_2 \ll M_3)$$

[Phys. Lett. B 174 (1986)]

- RHNs are in Thermal equilibrium at production.
- Leptogenesis Scale : Very high (***Difficult to test***)
- Davidson Ibara bound : $M_1 \gtrsim 10^9 \text{ GeV}$ [Phys. Lett. B 535 (2002)]

Non-thermal Leptogenesis

[Phys. Lett. B 464 (1999)]

- RHNs were never in thermal equilibrium (scalar decay)
- Leptogenesis Scale : $M_1 \gtrsim 10^6 \text{ GeV}$ (***Difficult to test***)

[Nucl. Phys. B 806 (2009)]

Resonant Leptogenesis

$$(M_1 \simeq M_2 \ll M_3)$$

[Nucl. Phys. B 504 (1997)]

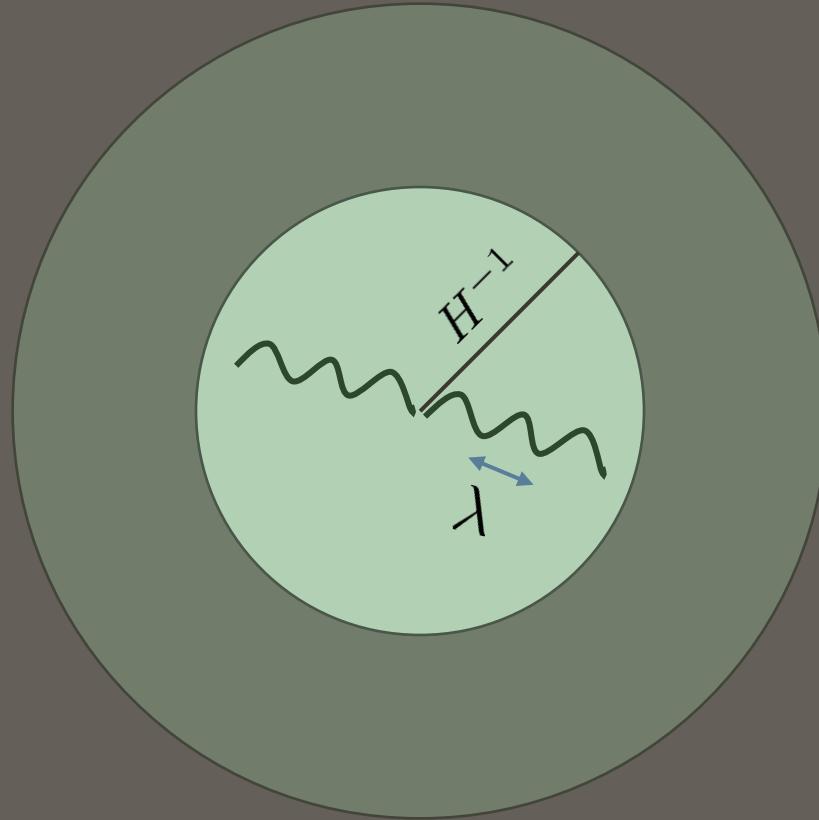
- Self energy diagrams enhance the CP asymmetry
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[Phys. Rev. D72 (2005)]

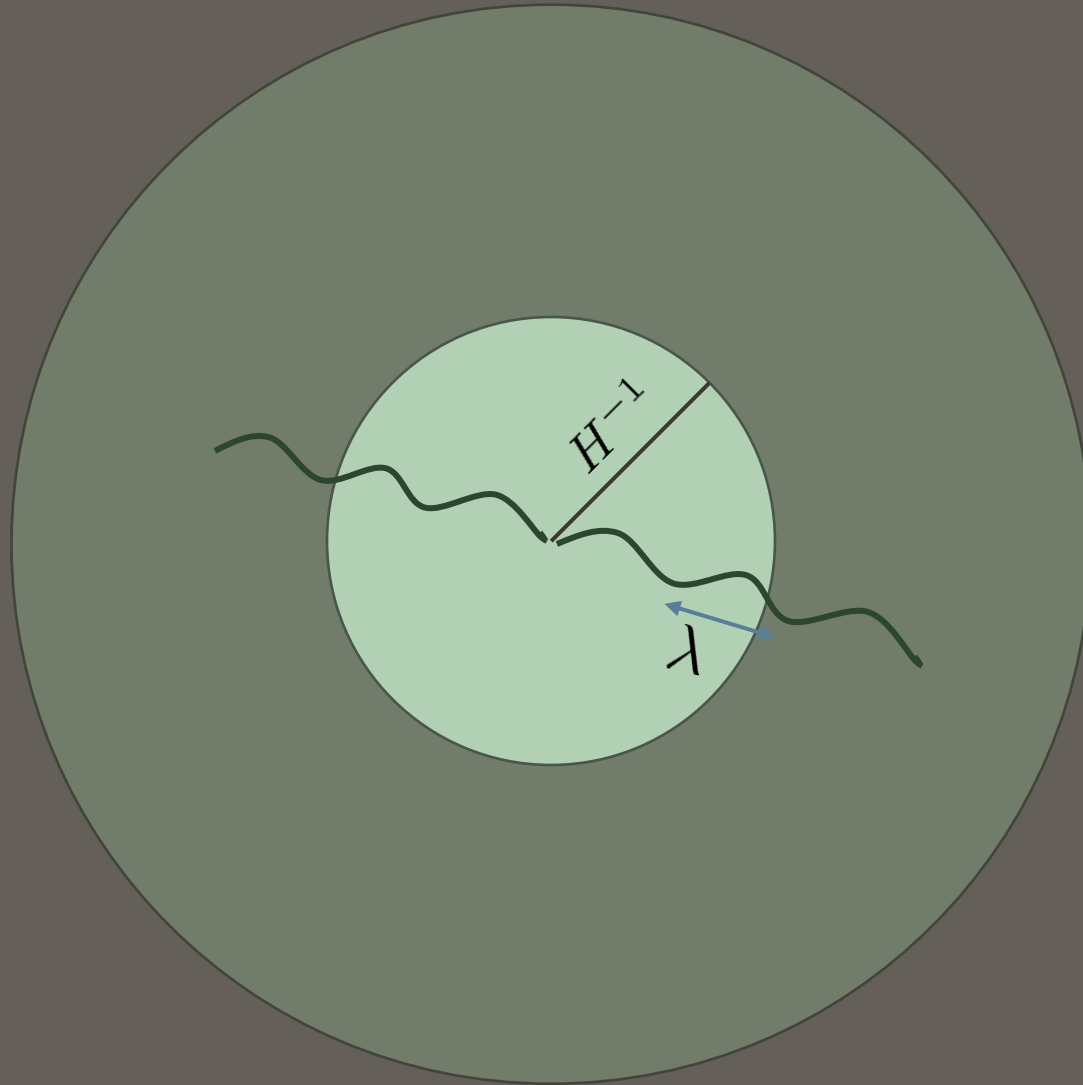
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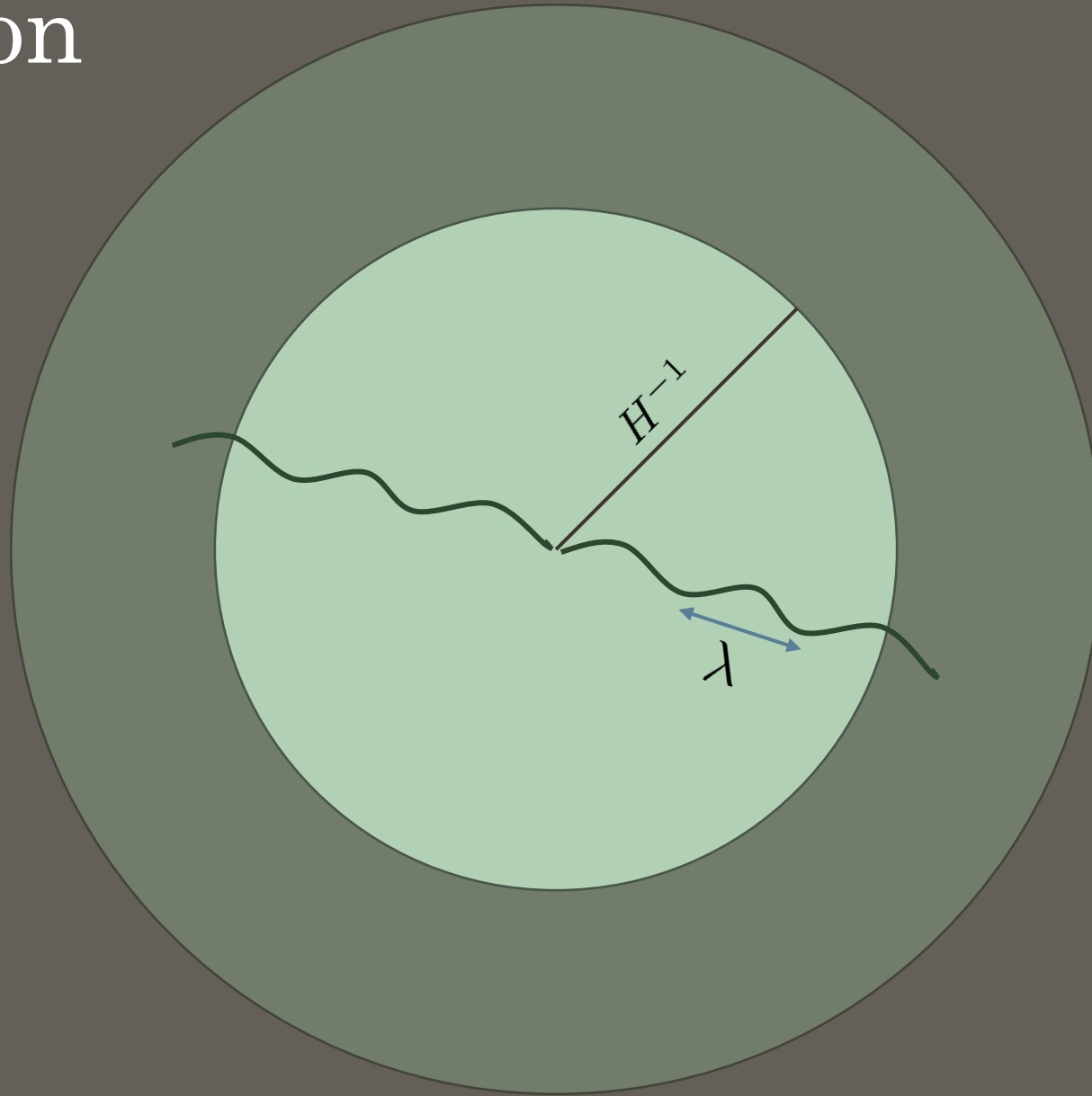
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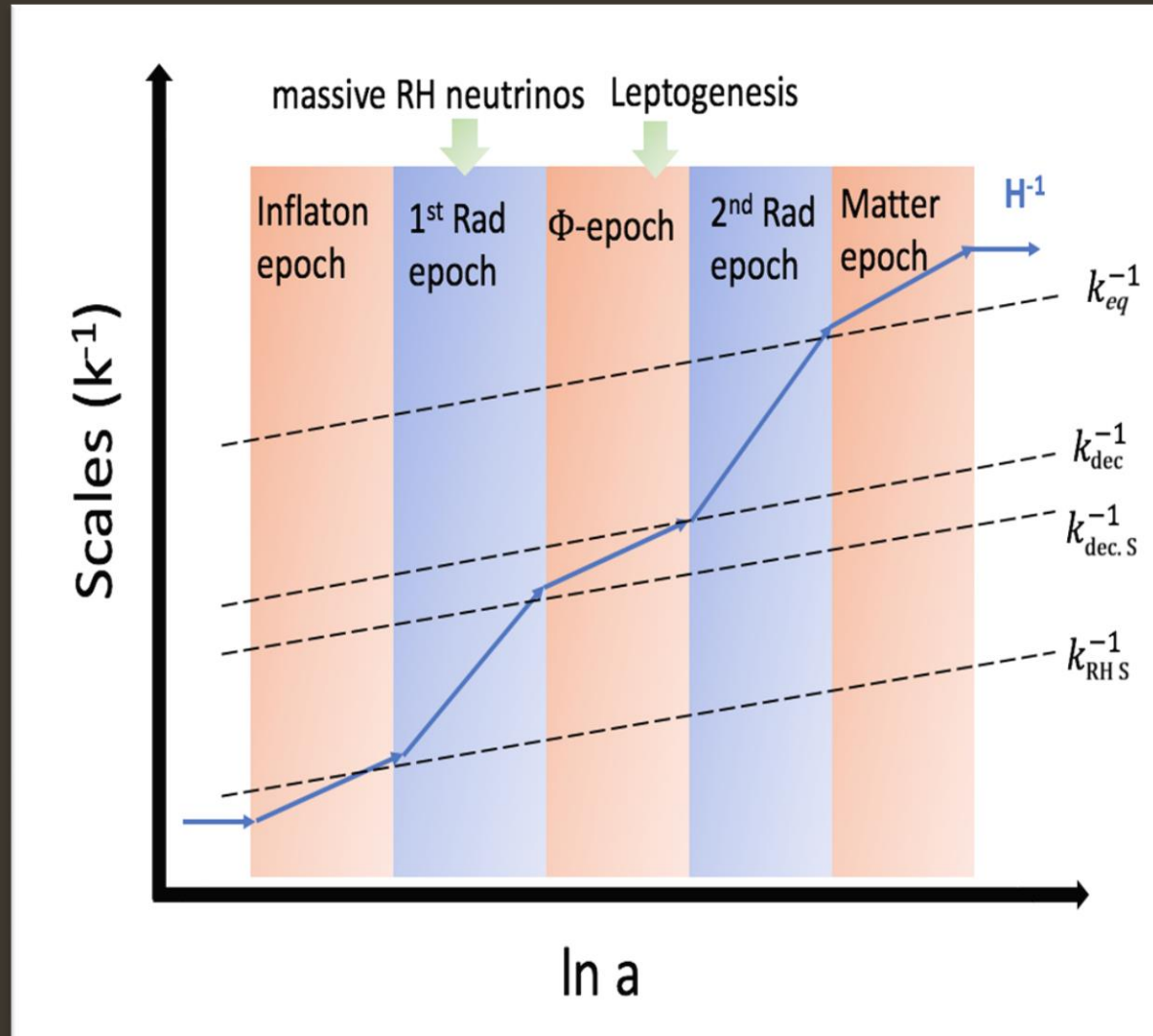
Inflation



Post-inflation



Intermediate matter domination



S. Dutta et. al., JHEP (2022).

Inflationary Gravitational wave (GW)

$$\Omega_{GW}(k) = \frac{1}{12} \left(\frac{k}{a_0 H_0} \right)^2 T_T^2(k) P_T^{\text{prim.}}(k)$$

$$F(k)_{\text{standard}} = T_1^2 \left(\frac{k}{k_{\text{eq.}}} \right) T_2^2 \left(\frac{k}{k_{\text{RH}}} \right)$$

$$T_1^2(x) = 1 + 1.57x + 3.42x^2$$

$$T_2^2(x) = \left(1 - 0.22x^{3/2} + 0.65x^2 \right)^{-1}$$

$$T_3^2(x) = 1 + 0.59x + 0.65x^2$$

$$F(k)_{\text{IMD}} = T_1^2 \left(\frac{k}{k_{\text{eq.}}} \right) T_2^2 \left(\frac{k}{k_{\text{dec.}}} \right) T_3^2 \left(\frac{k}{k_{\text{dec. S}}} \right) T_2^2 \left(\frac{k}{k_{\text{RH S}}} \right)$$

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Leptogenesis via scalar decay :

Model setup: \longrightarrow $\mathcal{L}_{\text{nonthermal}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{thermal}} - \left(\frac{y_N}{2} \phi \overline{N^C} N + \frac{y_R}{2} \phi \overline{f} f + \text{h.c} \right)$

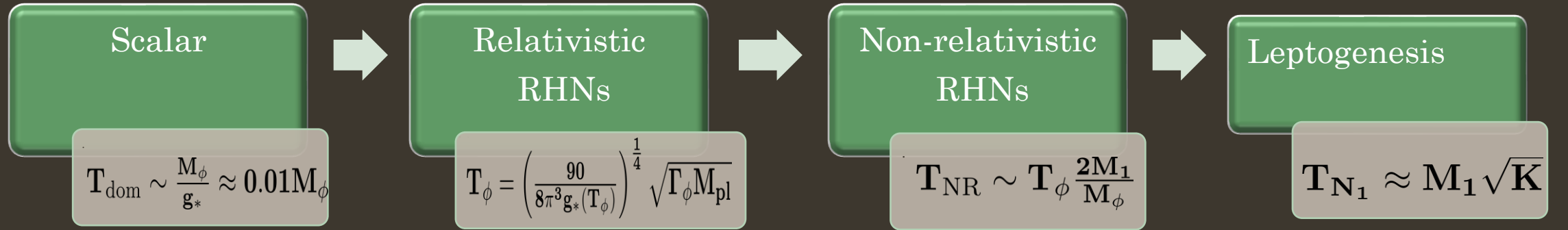
$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + i \overline{N} \not{\partial} N - \left(\lambda \overline{L} \tilde{H} N + \frac{M_N}{2} \overline{N^C} N + \text{h.c} \right)$$

We have considered resonant non-thermal leptogenesis for this work!

$M_\phi \simeq 2M_{1,2} \implies$ Non-relativistic RHNs

$M_\phi \gg 2M_{1,2} \implies$ Relativistic RHNs

$$E_N(z) \sim \begin{cases} \frac{M_\phi}{2} & \text{for } T > T_\phi \\ \frac{M_\phi}{2T_\phi} \frac{M_1}{z} & \text{for } T_\phi \geq T > T_{\text{NR}} \\ M_1 & \text{for } T \leq T_{\text{NR}} \end{cases}$$



$$\Gamma_\phi = \Gamma_{\phi \rightarrow N_1 N_1} + \Gamma_{\phi \rightarrow N_2 N_2} + \Gamma_{\phi \rightarrow R}$$

$$\Gamma_{N_i} = \Gamma_{N_i}^{rf} \frac{M_1}{E_N(z)} \sim \mathcal{H}(M_i) K \frac{M_1}{E_N(z)}$$

Lorentz boost: $\gamma_N = E_N(z)/M_1$

$$\Gamma_{\phi \rightarrow N_i N_i} = \frac{|y_{N_i}|^2}{16\pi} M_\phi \left(1 - \frac{4M_i^2}{M_\phi^2}\right)^{3/2}, \quad \Gamma_{\phi \rightarrow R} = \frac{|y_R|^2}{8\pi} M_\phi$$

- $y_R = 0 \rightarrow$ For non-thermal case
- $y_R \gtrsim \frac{1}{y_{N_1}} \sqrt{\frac{T_\phi}{M_{\text{pl}}}} \rightarrow$ For thermal case

Boltzmann equations

$$\dot{\rho}_\phi = -3\mathcal{H}\rho_\phi - \Gamma_\phi(\rho_\phi - \rho_\phi^{\text{eq}})$$

$$\dot{\rho}_{N_1} = -3\mathcal{H}(\rho_{N_1} + p_{N_1}) + \Gamma_{\phi \rightarrow N_1 N_1}(\rho_\phi - \rho_\phi^{\text{eq}}) - \Gamma_{N_1}(\rho_{N_1} - \rho_{N_1}^{\text{eq}})$$

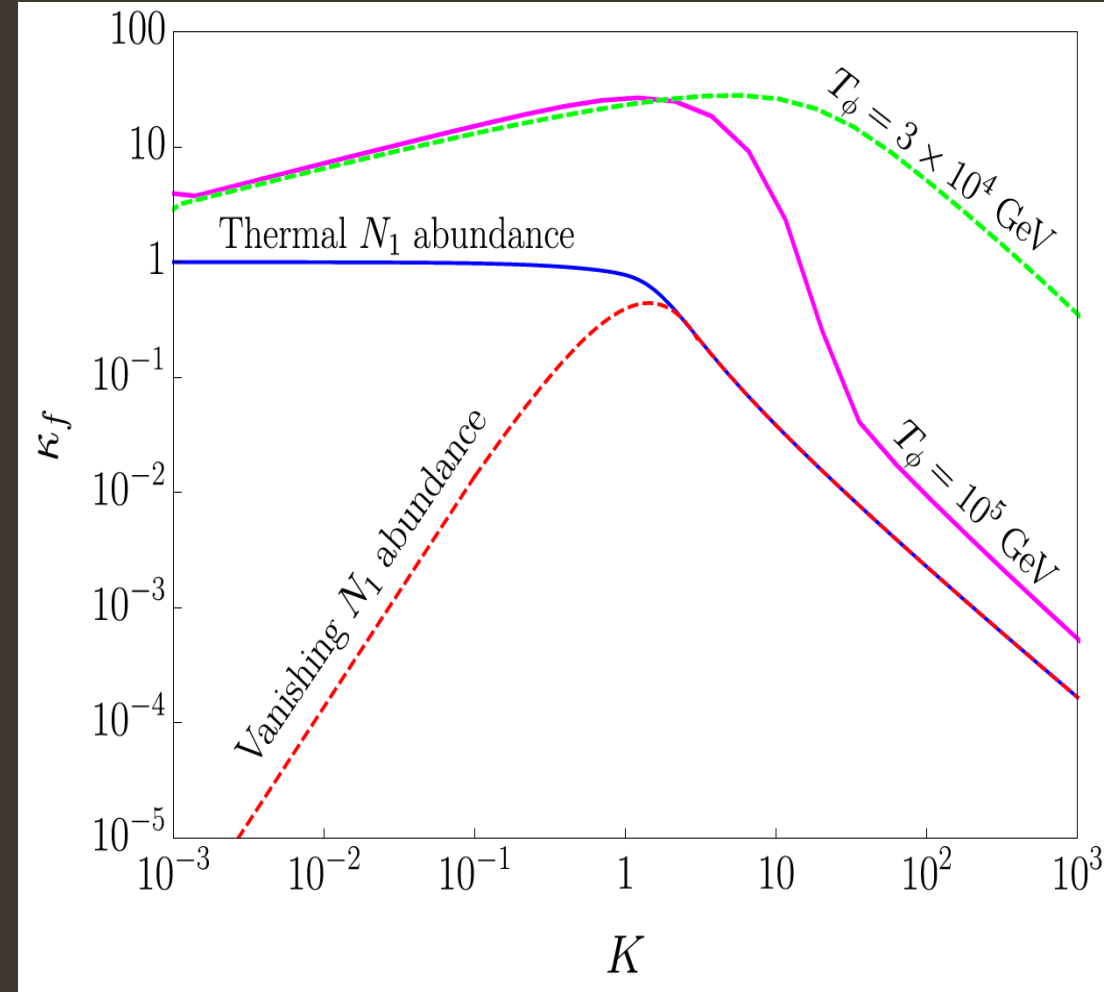
$$\dot{\rho}_{N_2} = -3\mathcal{H}(\rho_{N_2} + p_{N_2}) + \Gamma_{\phi \rightarrow N_2 N_2}(\rho_\phi - \rho_\phi^{\text{eq}}) - \Gamma_{N_2}(\rho_{N_2} - \rho_{N_2}^{\text{eq}})$$

$$\dot{n}_{B-L} = -3\mathcal{H}n_{B-L} - \epsilon \sum_{i=1}^2 \Gamma_{N_i}(n_{N_i} - n_{N_i}^{\text{eq}}) - \Gamma_{ID} n_{B-L}$$

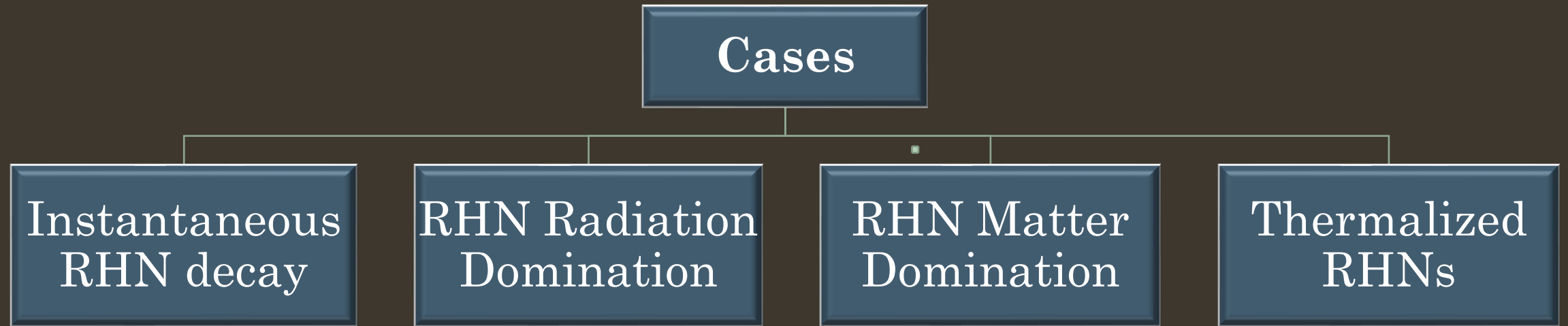
$$\dot{\rho}_R = -4\mathcal{H}\rho_R + \Gamma_{\phi \rightarrow R}(\rho_\phi - \rho_\phi^{\text{eq}}) + \sum_{i=1}^2 \Gamma_{N_i}(\rho_{N_i} - \rho_{N_i}^{\text{eq}})$$

$$\kappa_f = -\frac{4}{3}\epsilon^{-1}R^{-3/4}\tilde{N}_{B-L} \left[\frac{\pi^4 g_*^{3/4}}{30^3 \zeta(3)^4} \right]$$

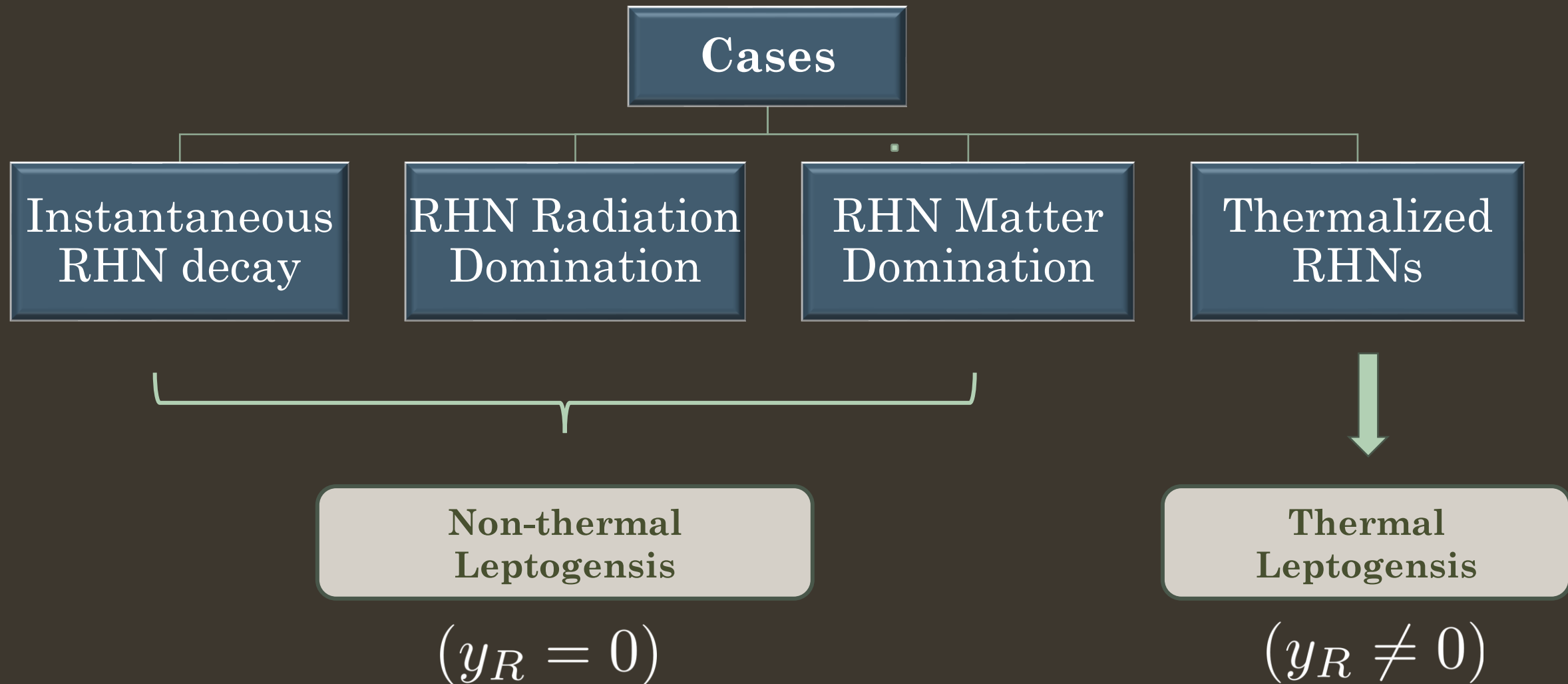
$$\eta_B \equiv \frac{n_B - n_{\bar{B}}}{n_\gamma} = \frac{3}{4} \frac{a_{\text{sph}}}{f} \epsilon_1 \kappa_f \simeq 0.96 \times 10^{-2} \epsilon_1 \kappa_f$$



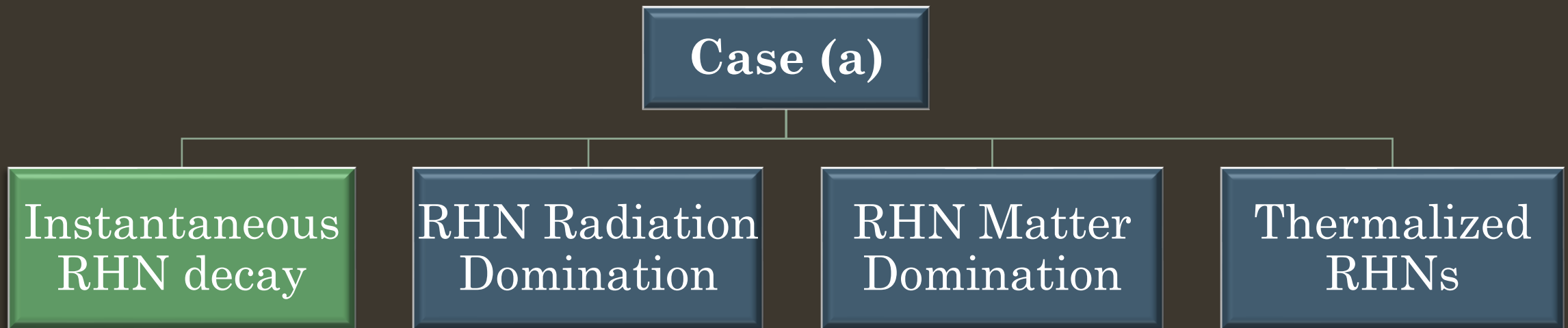
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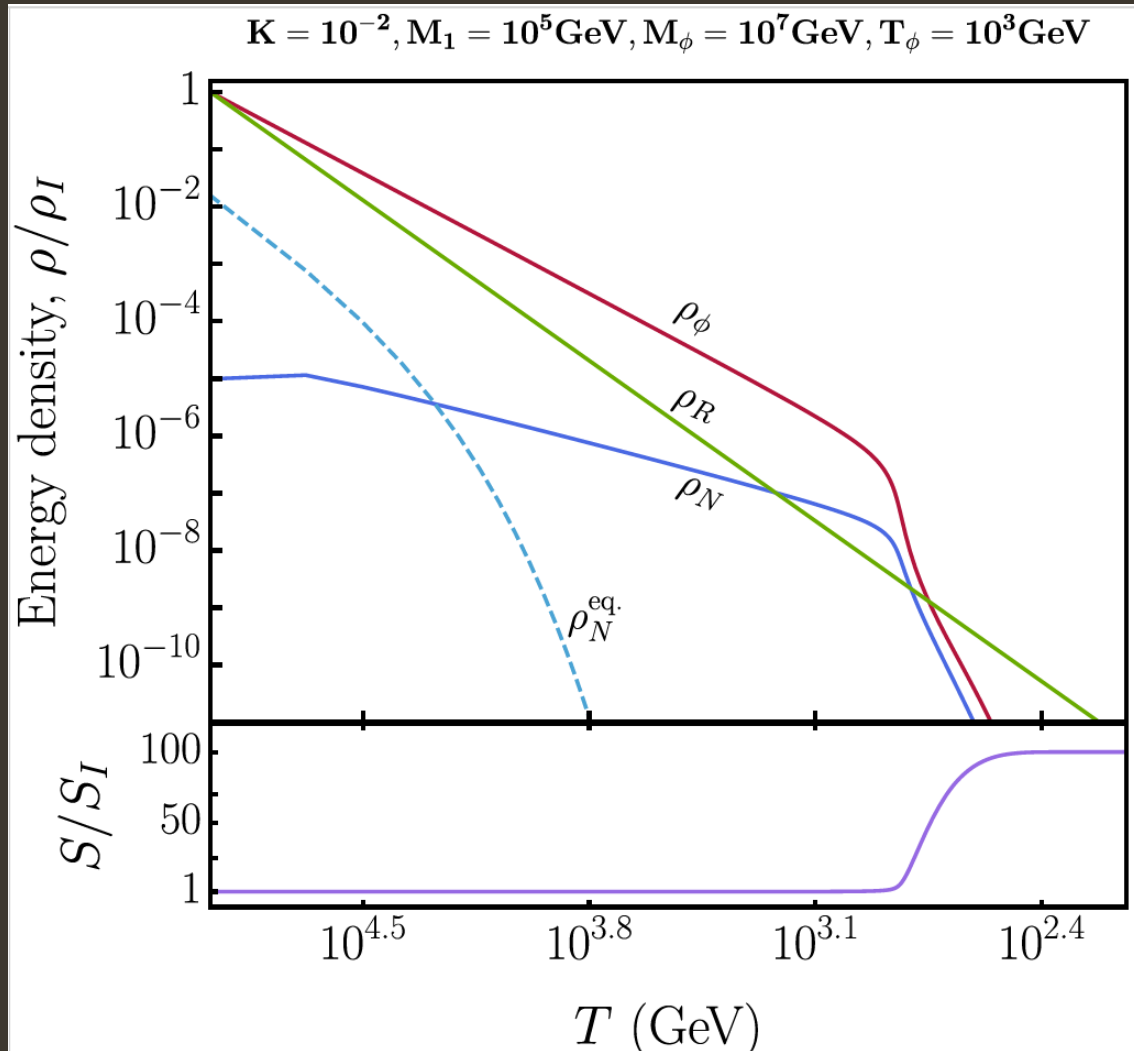
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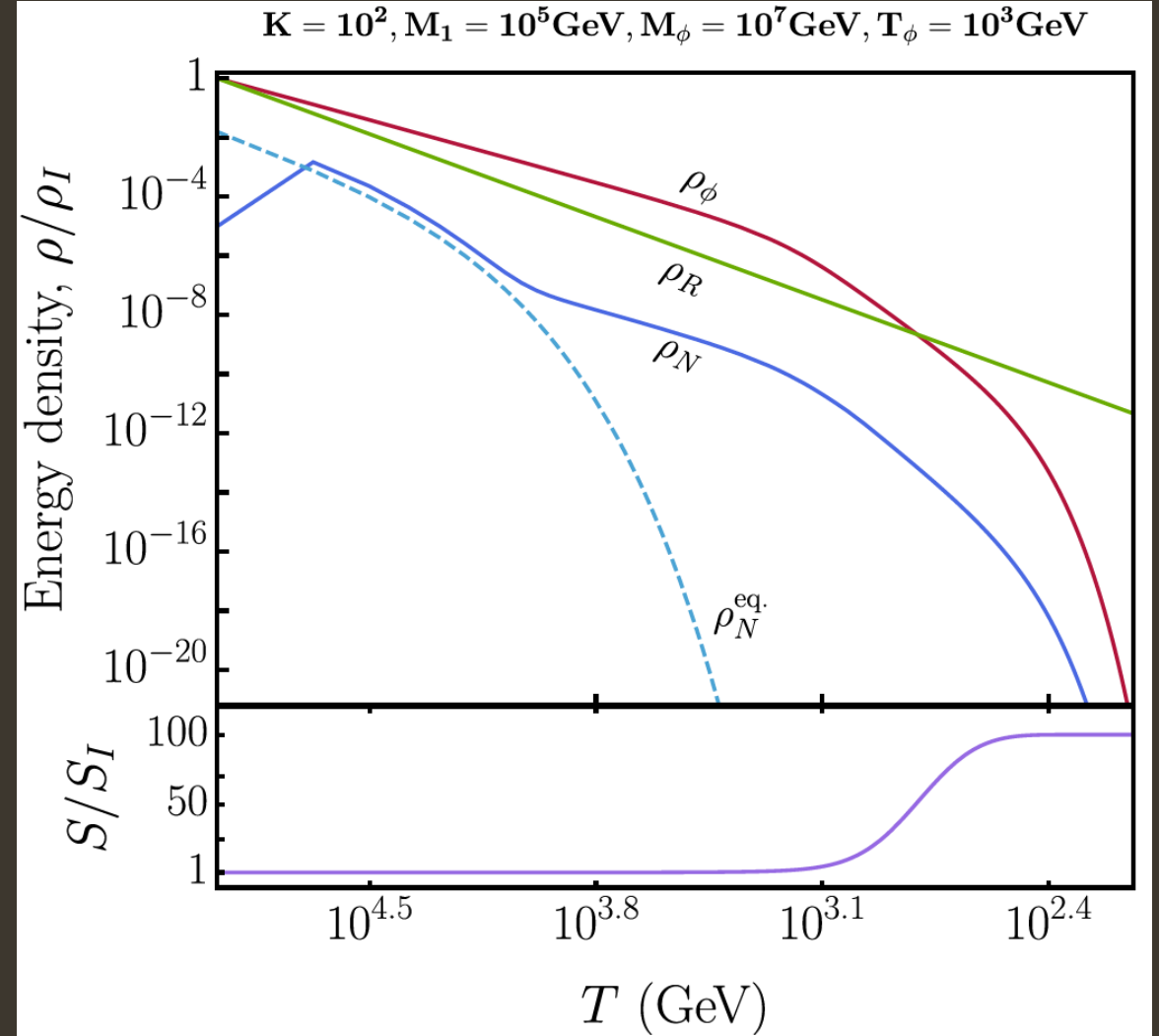
$$\Gamma_N \gg \Gamma_\phi$$

$$T_{N_1} \sqrt{\frac{2M_1}{M_\phi}} \gg T_\phi$$

Case (a) : Instantaneous RHN decay

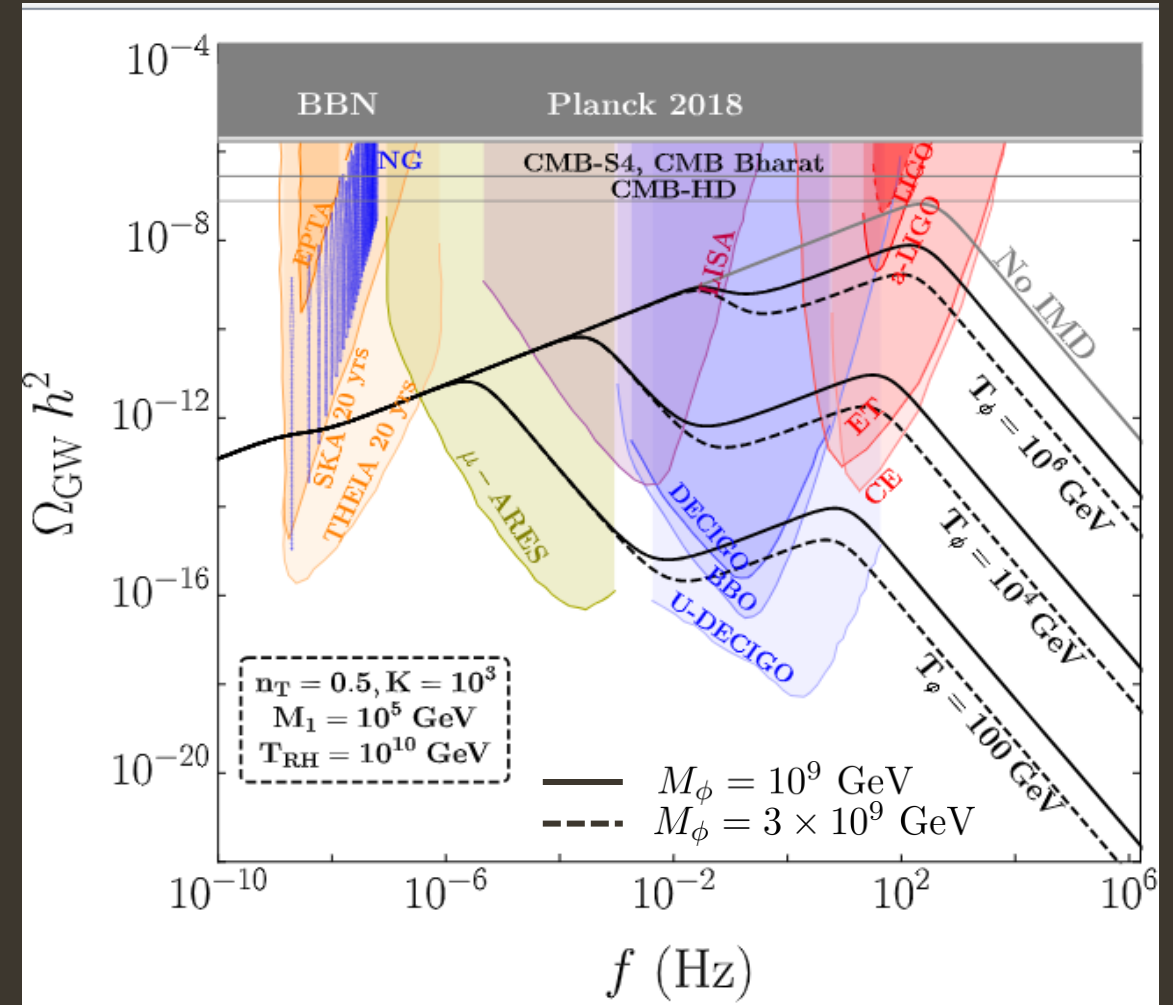


$K < 1$



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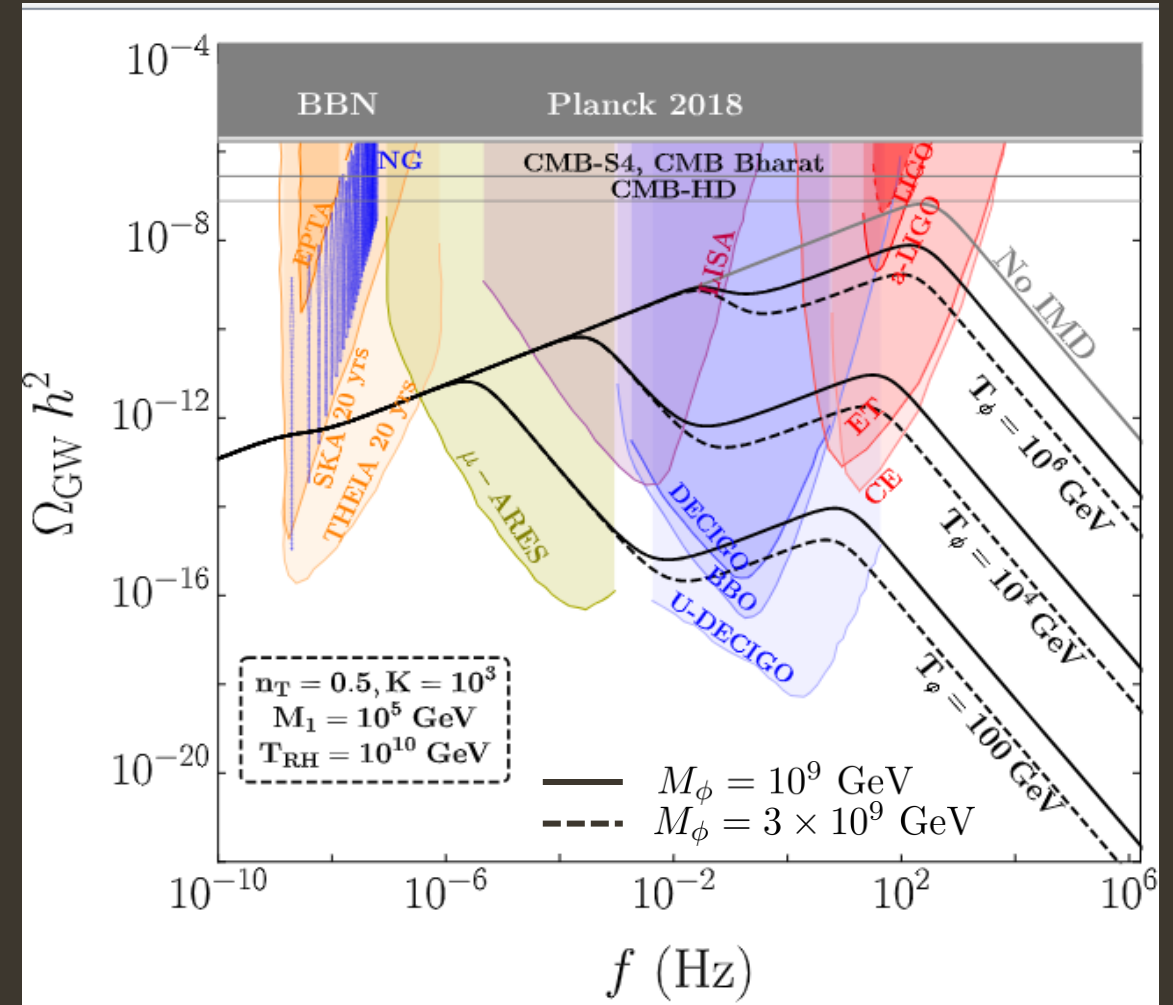
Dilution Factor from Entropy injection

$$\Delta = \frac{s(T_{\text{after}})a^3(T_{\text{after}})}{s(T_{\text{before}})a^3(T_{\text{before}})}$$

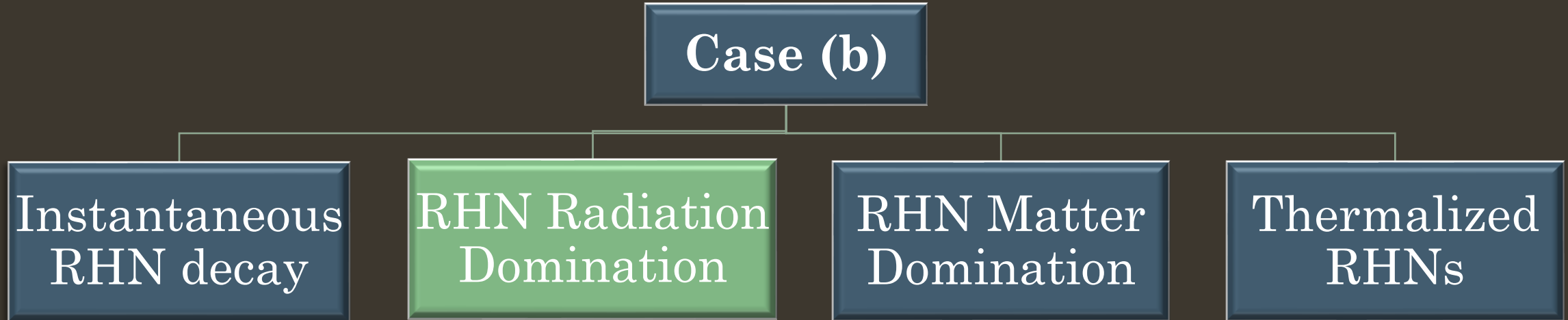
$$= \left(1 + 2.95 \left(\frac{2\pi^2 \langle g_*(T) \rangle}{45} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \frac{\left(\frac{n_\chi}{s} M_\chi \right)^{\frac{4}{3}}}{(M_{\text{pl}} \Gamma_\chi)^{\frac{2}{3}}} \right)^{\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$\left. \frac{n_\phi}{s} \right|_f = \frac{45 \zeta(3)}{2\pi^4 g_{*S}}$$

$$\Delta_\phi \simeq 3.7 \times 10^9 \left(\frac{M_\phi}{10^{15} \text{ GeV}} \right) \left(\frac{\text{TeV}}{T_\phi} \right)$$



Classification of scenarios : Case (b)



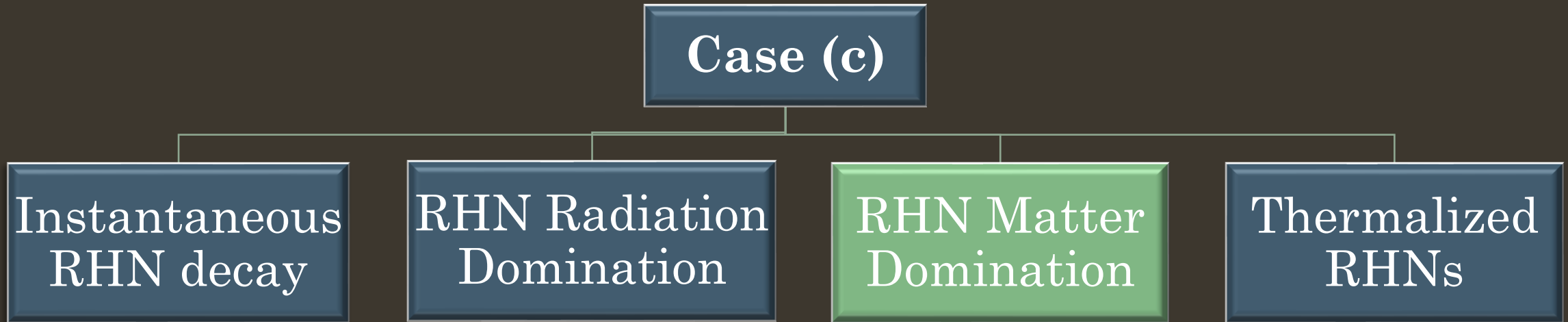
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$$T_{N_1} \sqrt{\frac{2M_1}{M_\phi}} \ll T_\phi$$

$$T_N^{\text{rel}} \sim (T_{N_1}^2 T_{\text{NR}})^{1/3}, \text{ when } \Gamma_N(T_N^{\text{rel}}) \sim \mathcal{H}(T_N^{\text{rel}})$$

No entropy injection due to RHN decay
implies no change in spectral shapes.

Classification of scenarios : Case (c)



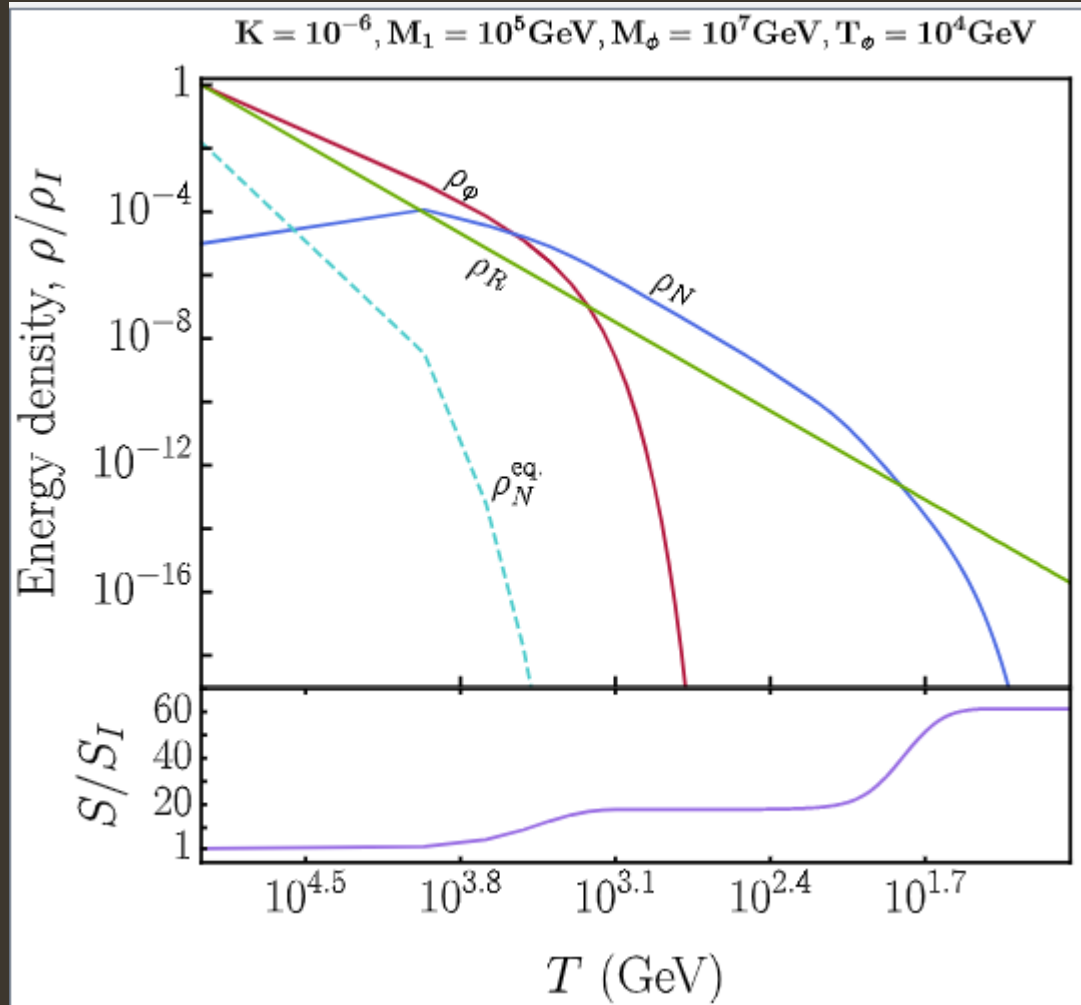
$$\Gamma_N \ll \Gamma_\phi$$

$$T_{N_1} < T_{NR} < T_\phi$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{K} < 2T_\phi/M_\phi$$

$K > 1$ not possible!!

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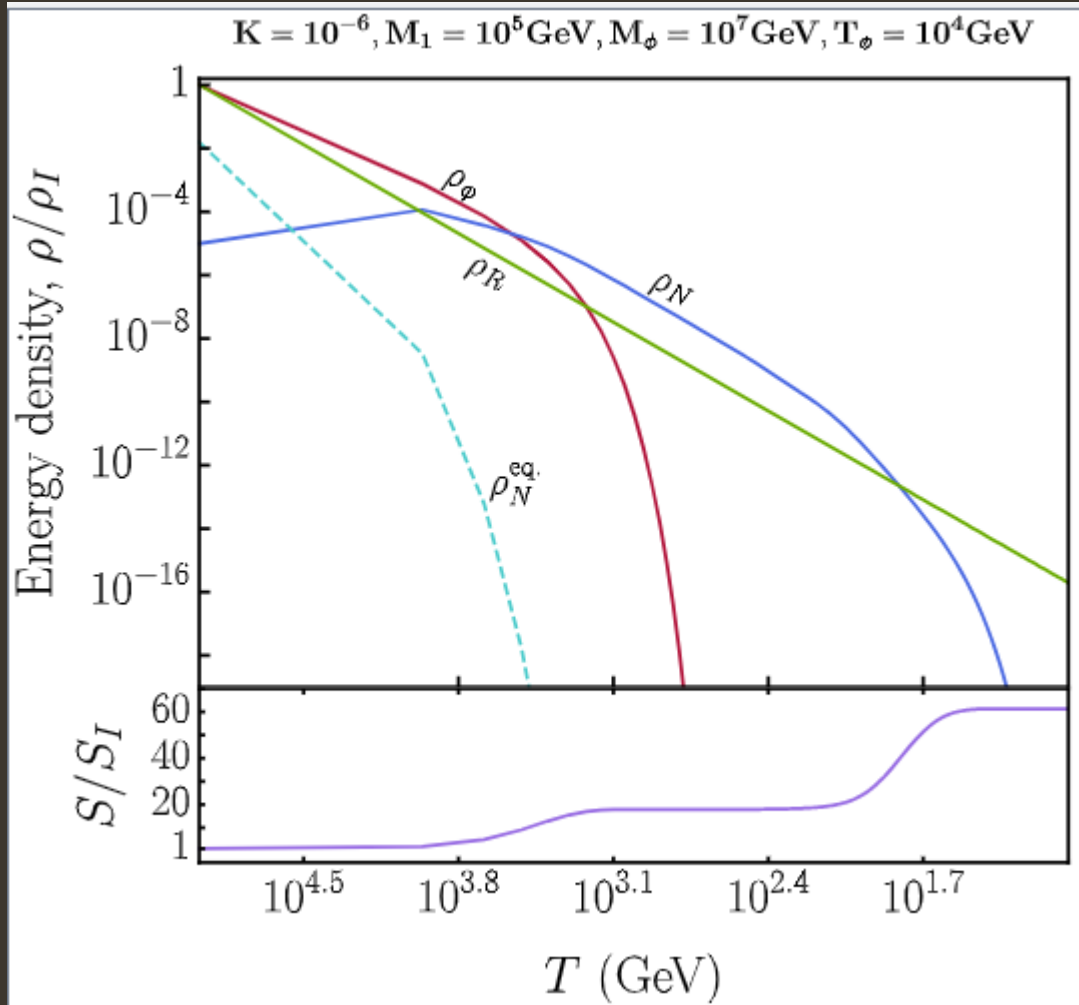


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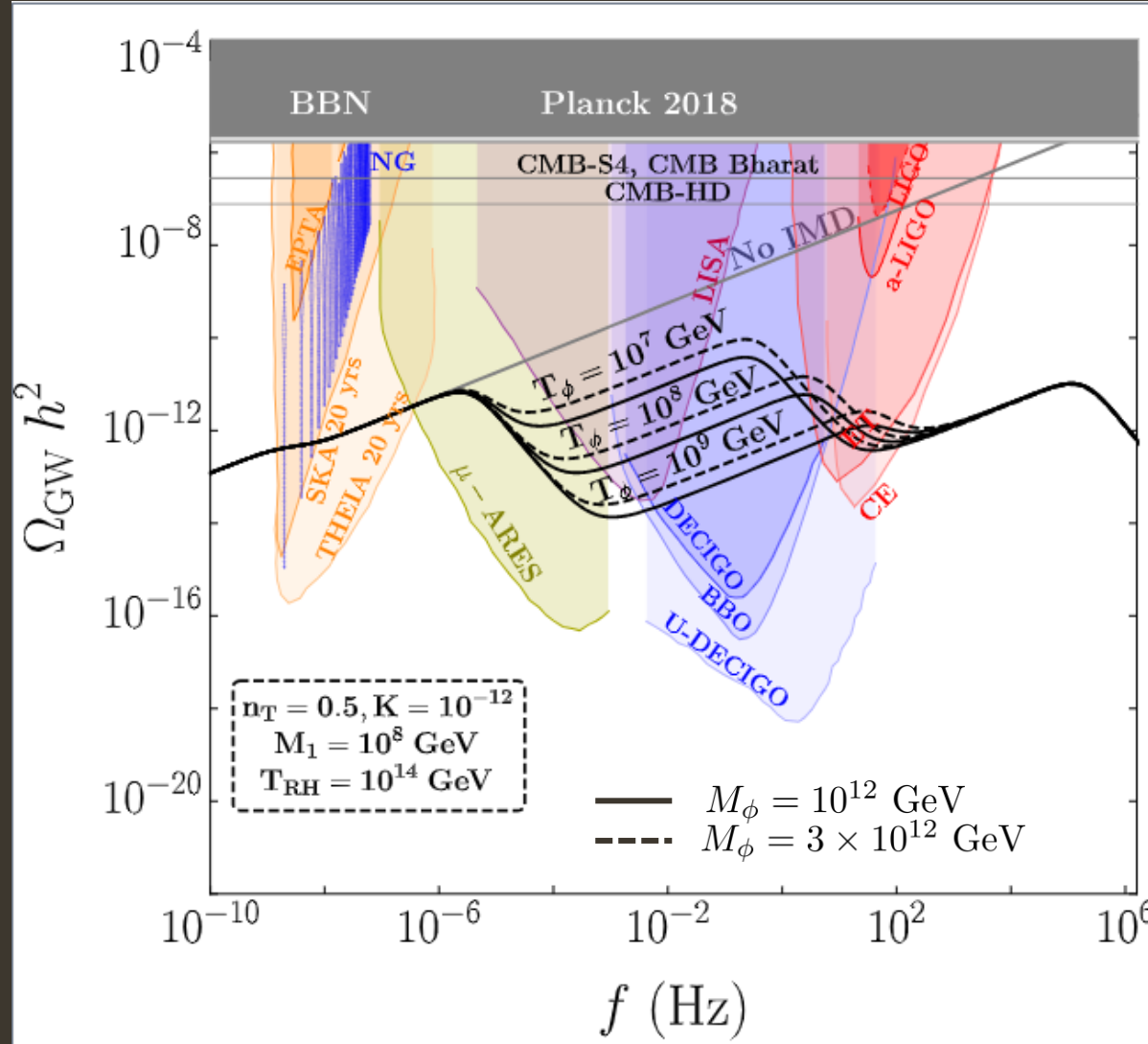
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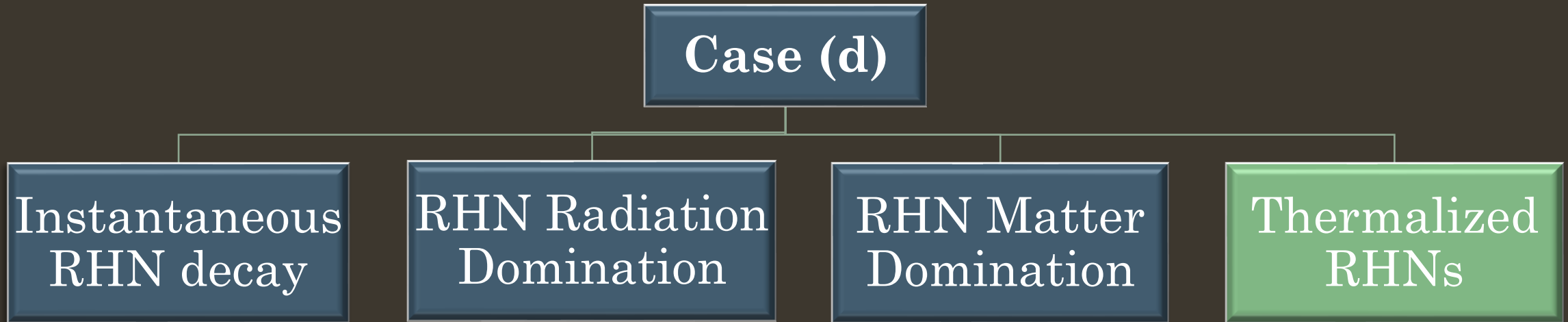
Case (c) : GW spectrum (Two step Entropy injection)



$$\frac{n_N}{s_{\text{tot}}^{\text{after}}} = \frac{2 n_\phi}{\Delta_\phi s_{\text{tot}}^{\text{before}}} = \frac{2}{\Delta_\phi} \frac{n_\phi}{s} = \frac{45 \zeta(3)}{\pi^4} \frac{1}{g_* S} \frac{1}{\Delta_\phi}$$

$$\Delta_N \simeq 2000 \left(\frac{10^{-12}}{K} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{10^8 \text{ GeV}}{M_\phi} \right) \left(\frac{T_\phi}{100 \text{ TeV}} \right)$$

Classification of scenarios : Case (d)

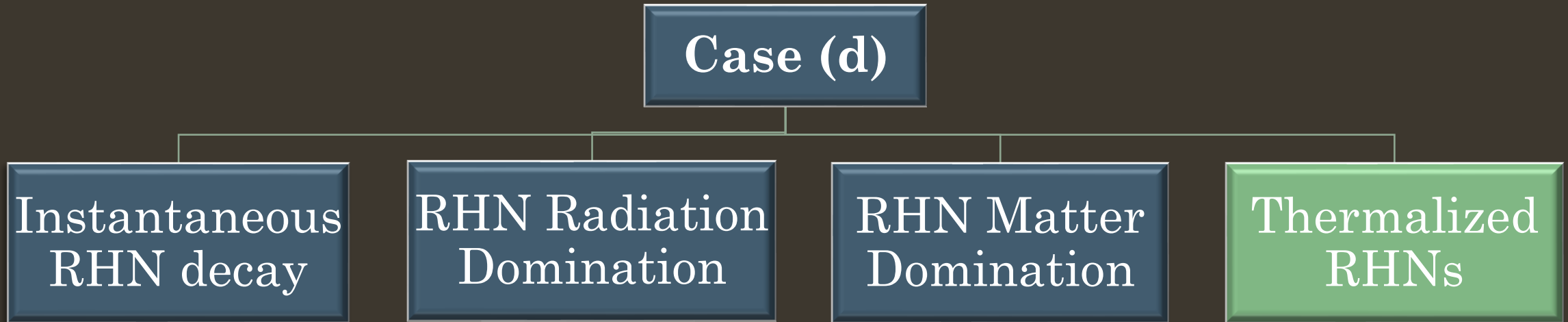


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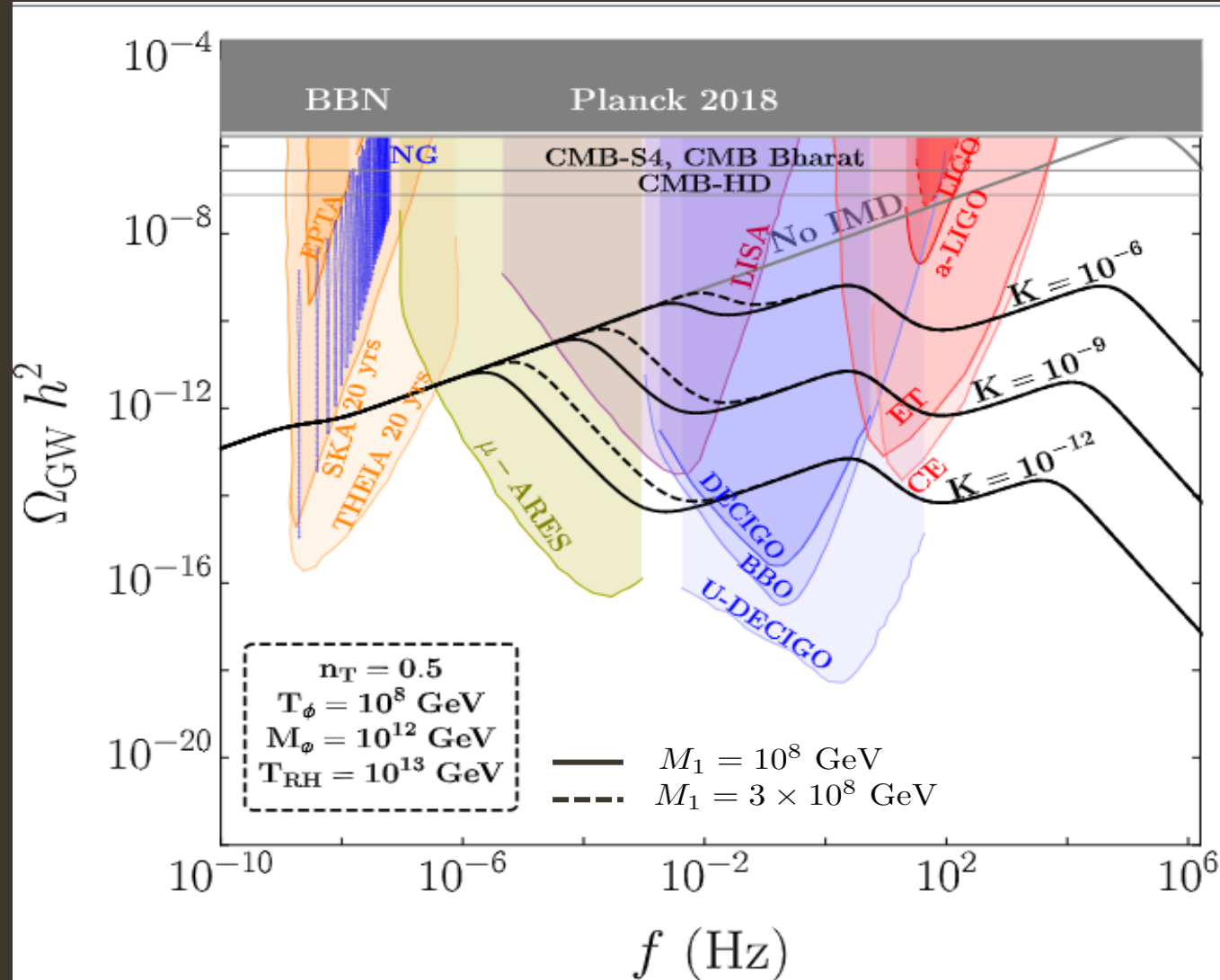


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Case (d) Thermalised RHNs ($y_R \neq 0$)

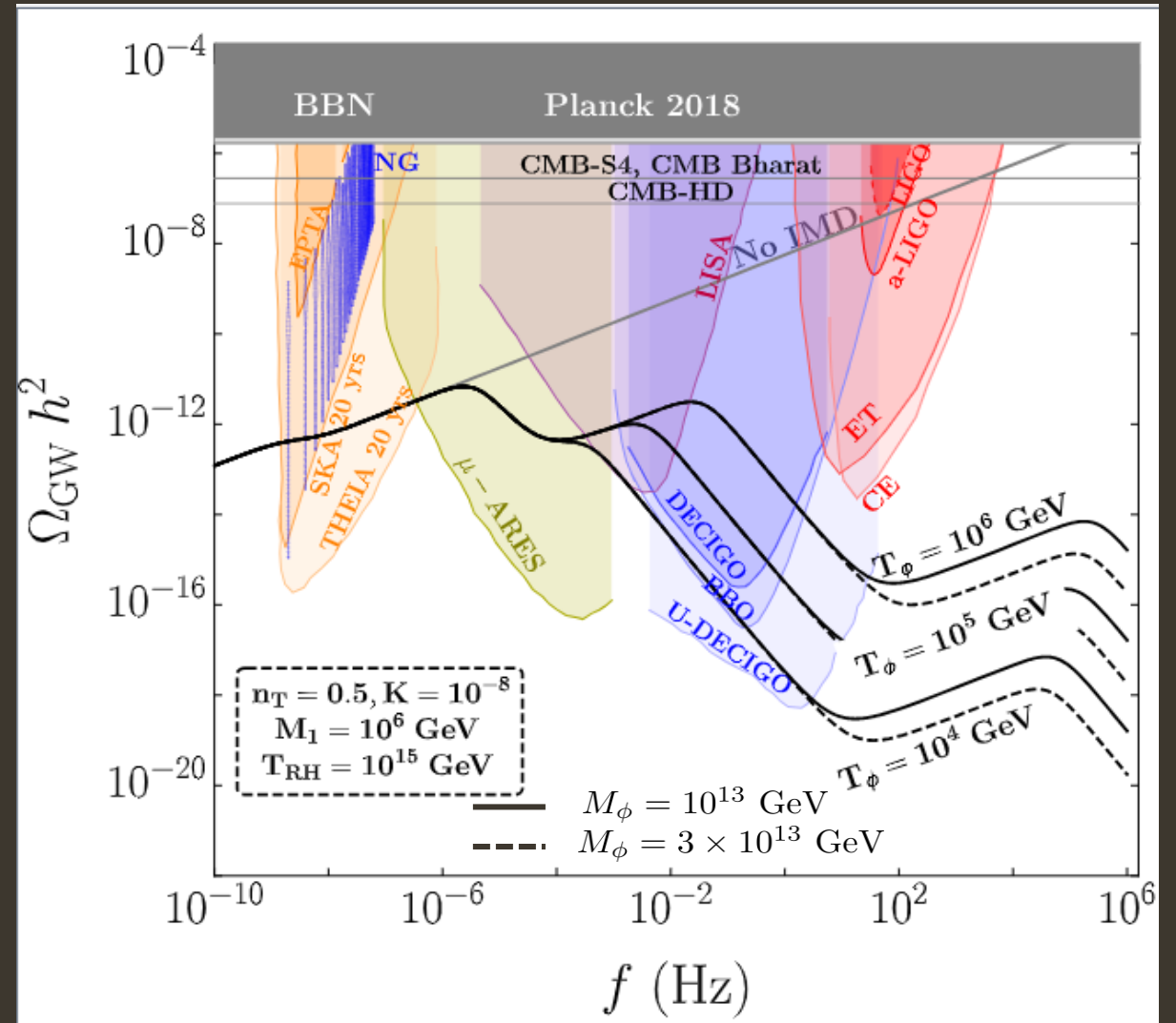
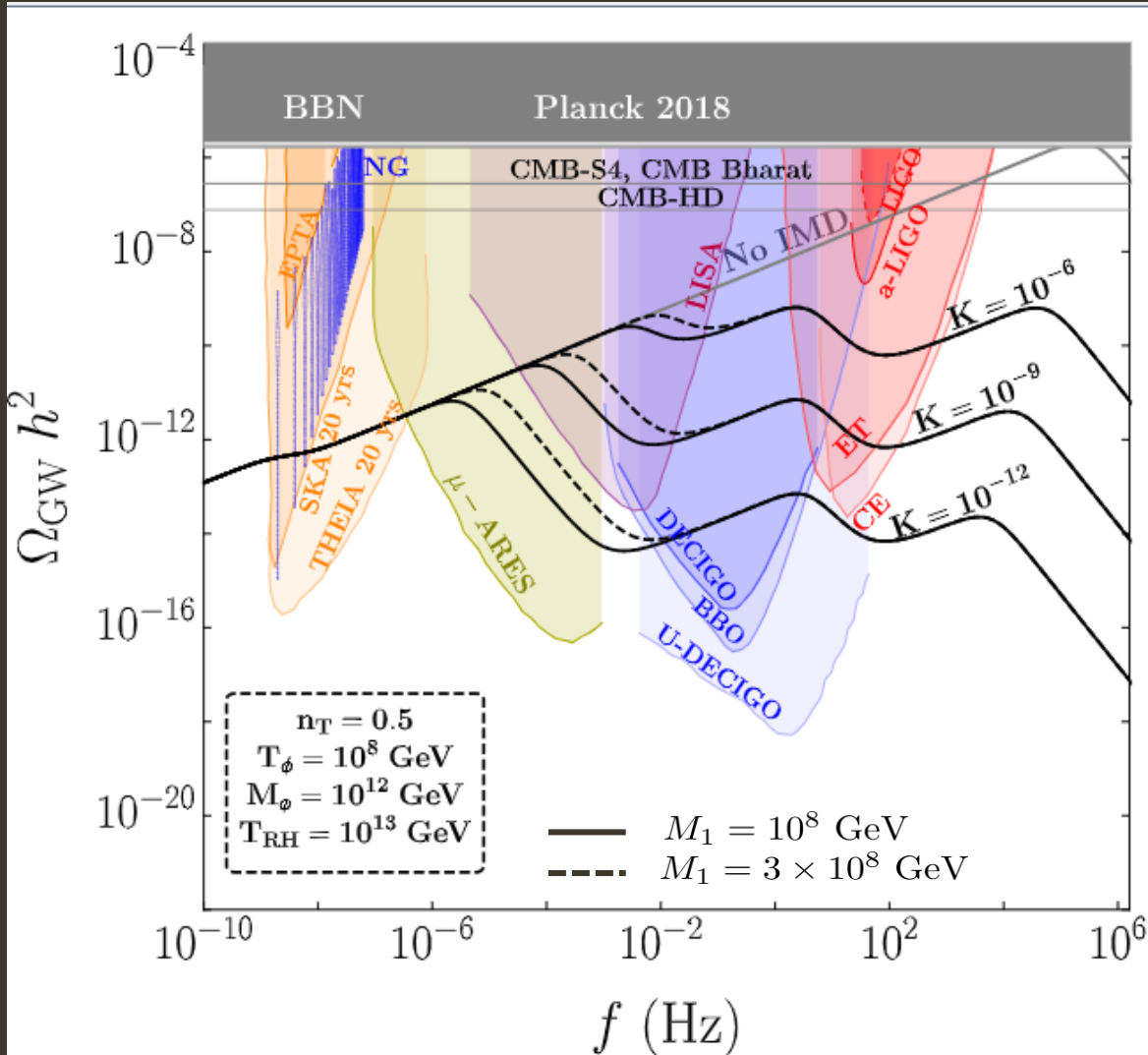


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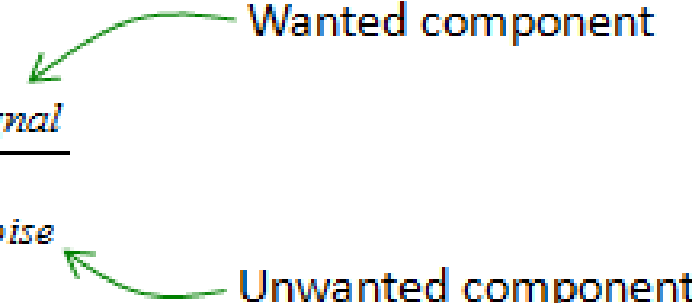
$$\Delta_N \simeq 1109 \sqrt{\frac{10^{-10}}{K}}$$

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Signal to Noise ratio (SNR)

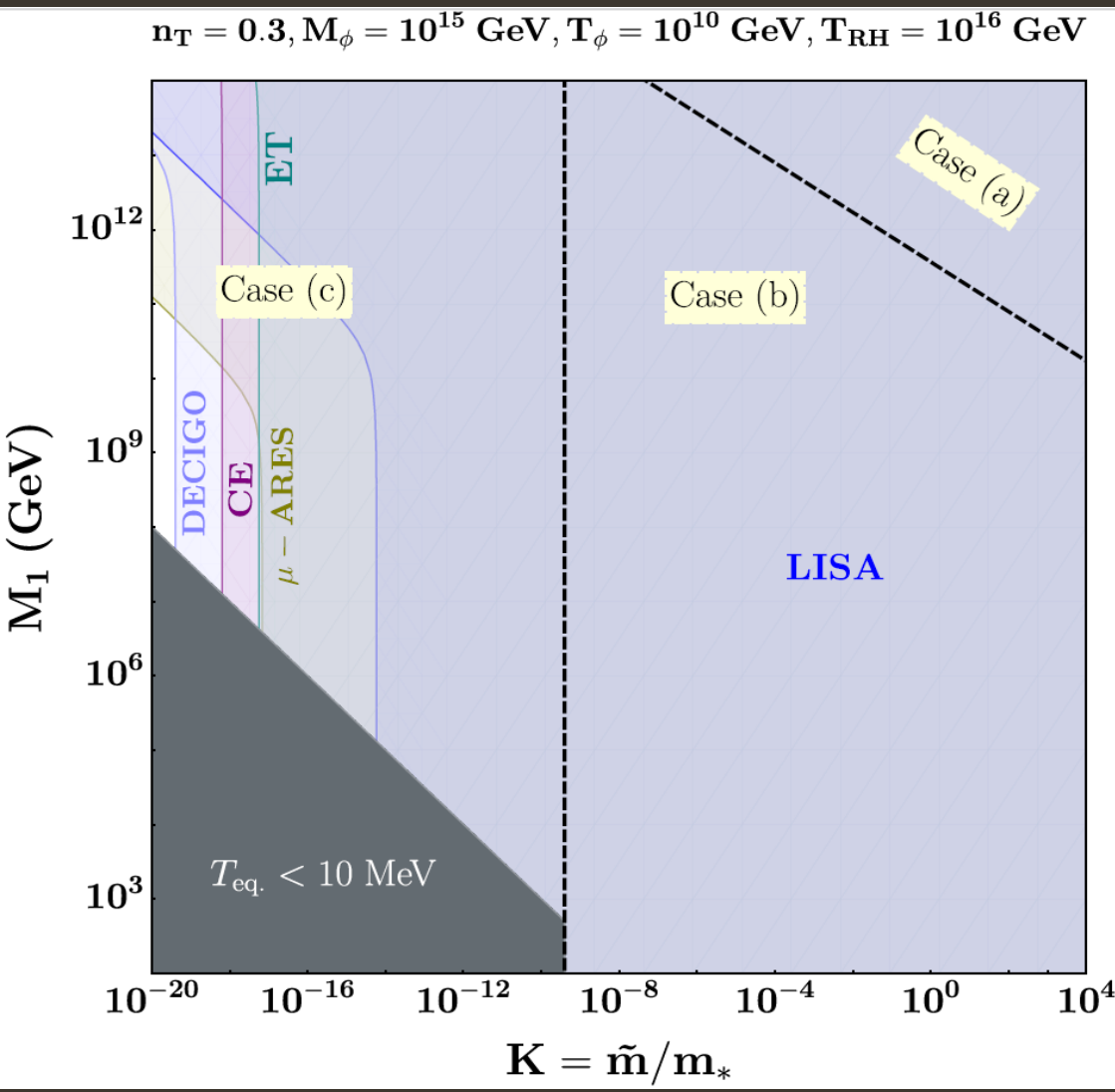
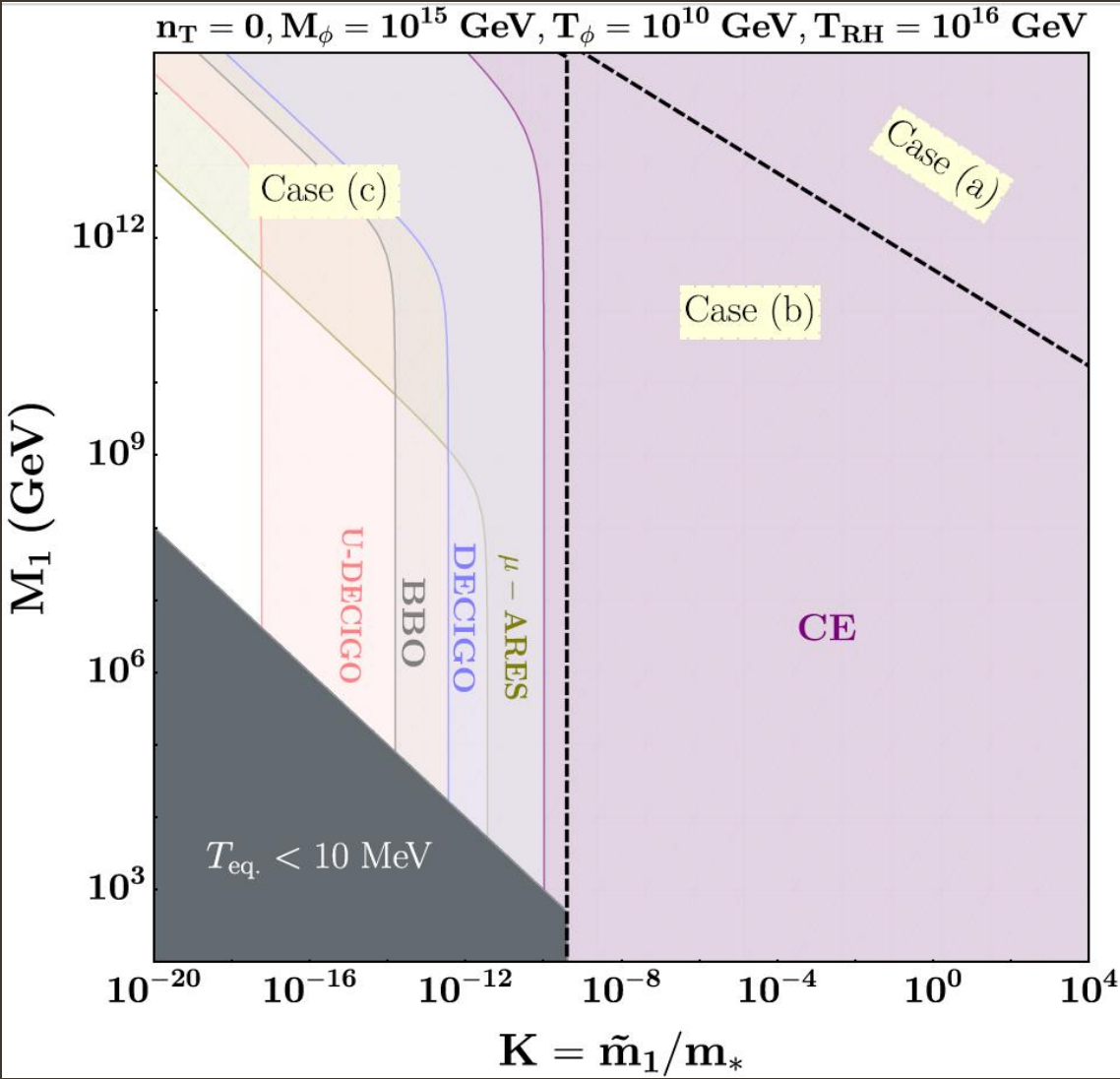
$$SNR = \frac{P_{signal}}{P_{noise}}$$


Wanted component

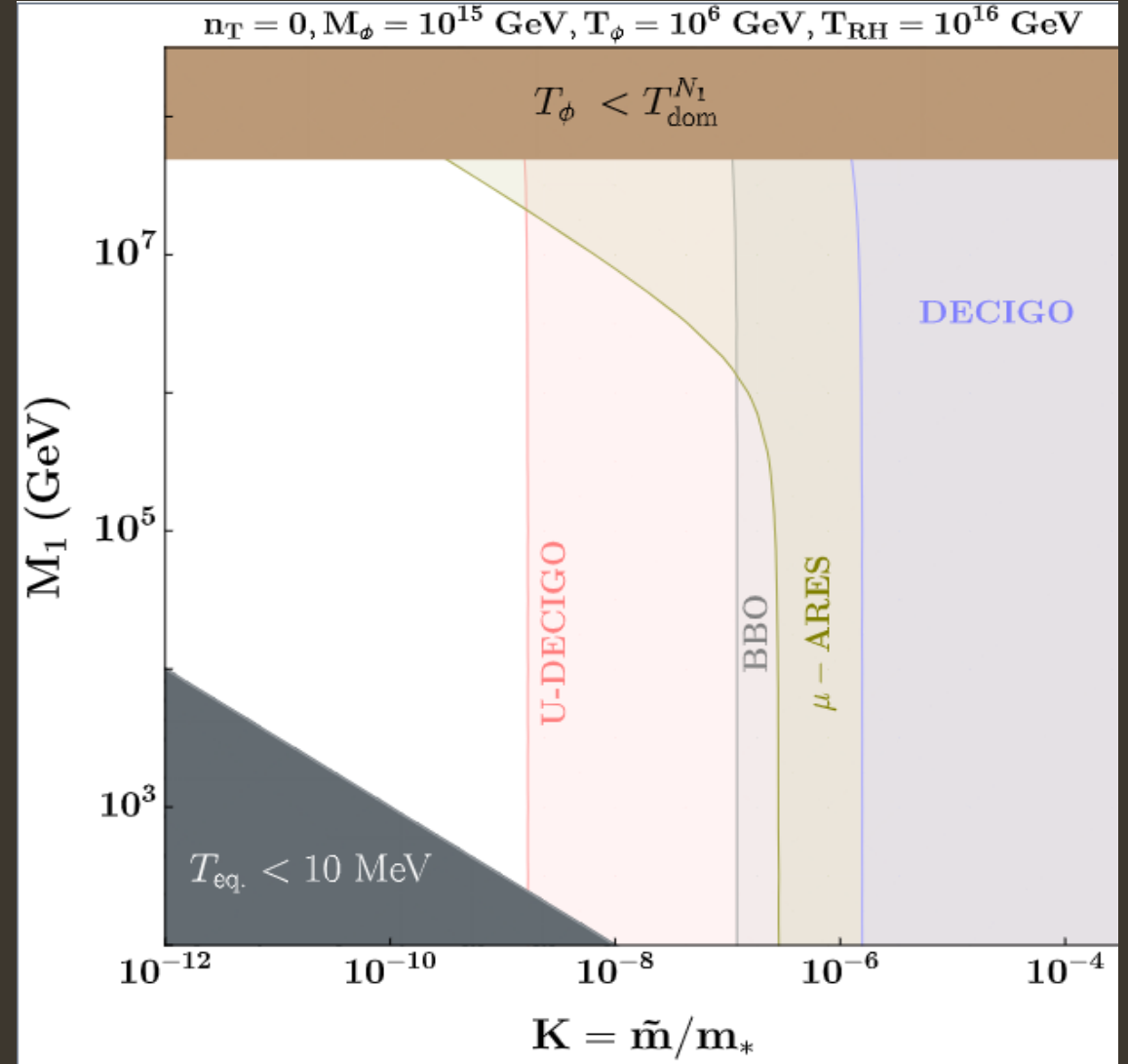
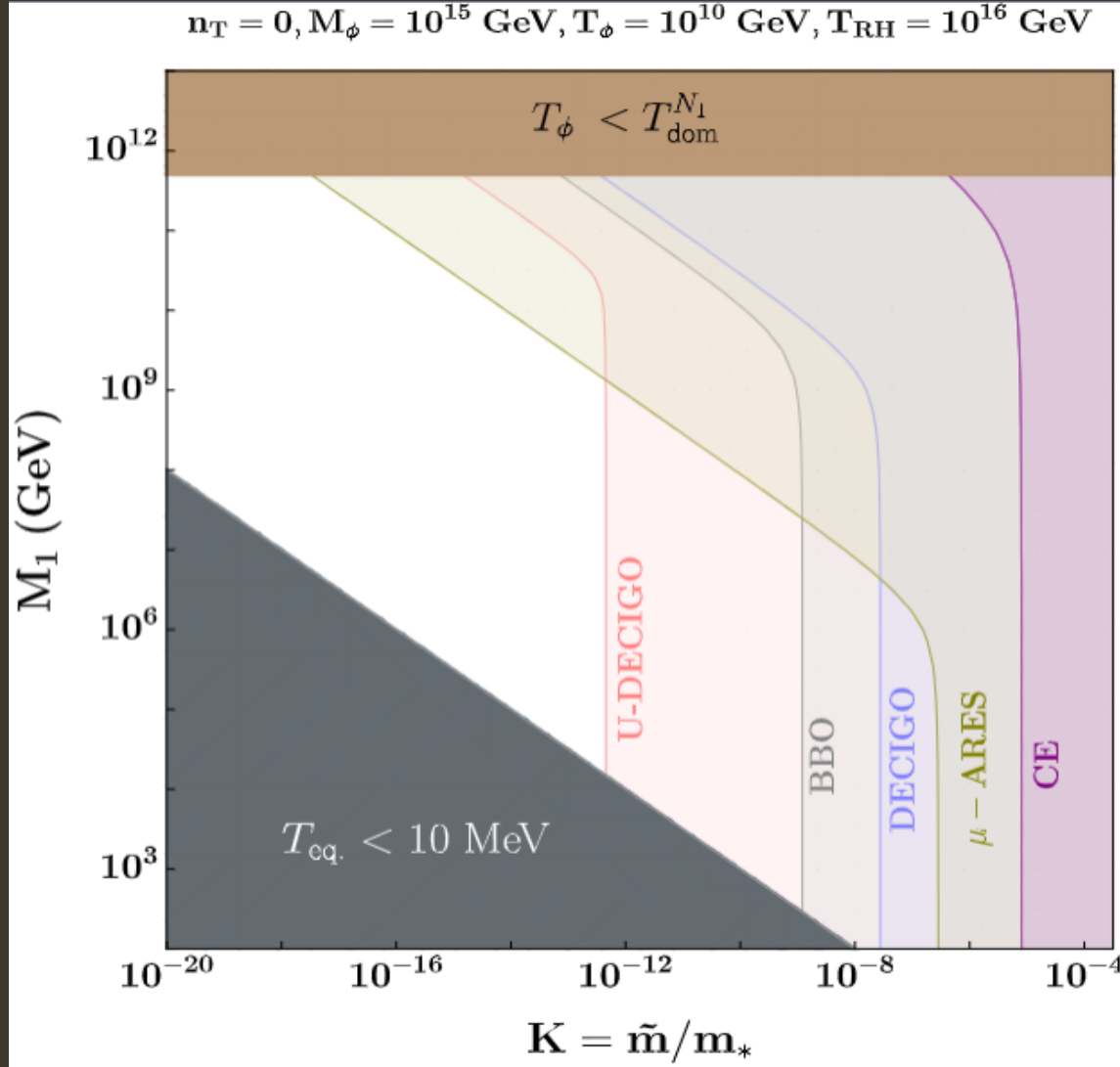
Unwanted component

The diagram shows the SNR formula with two green arrows. One arrow points from the text 'Wanted component' to the numerator P_{signal} . The other arrow points from the text 'Unwanted component' to the denominator P_{noise} .

Non-Thermal Leptogenesis:



Thermal Leptogenesis:



Result :

$n_T = 0$

M_ϕ (GeV)	T_ϕ (GeV)	U-DECIGO	BBO	μ -ARES	LISA	ET	CE
10^{15}	10^{10}	Non-Th, Th	Non-Th, Th	Non-Th, Th	-	-	Non-Th, Th
	10^6	Non-Th, Th	Non-Th, Th	Non-Th, Th	-	-	-
	10^2	-	-	-	-	-	-
10^{10}	10^6	Non-Th	Non-Th	Non-Th	-	-	-
	10^2	-	-	-	-	-	-
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$n_T = 0.3$

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	10^2	Non-Th	Non-Th	Non-Th	-	-	-
10^5	10^2	Non-Th	Non-Th	Non-Th	Non-Th	Non-Th	Non-Th

Conclusion

- The overall SNR is larger for a larger spectral index n_T .
- For vanishing Yukawa coupling y_R , we obtain non-thermal leptogenesis which can be probed in future GW experiments such as U-DECIGO, BBO etc.
- Thermal leptogenesis with two-step entropy injection is possible with a non-zero y_R . We propose the two-step entropy injection transfer function. Such two step will be detected in U-DECIGO, BBO, μ -ARES etc. for $n_T = 0$ and LISA, ET and CE as well for $n_T = 0.3$.
- If $T_{N_1} < T_\phi$, then lower values of M_1 and K reduce SNR and therefore challenging to test for all experiments.
- A higher M_ϕ in general means larger entropy injection which decreases the overall SNR values for all experiments. However, for Case (c), higher M_ϕ increases the SNR.
- M_ϕ also sets the upper bound on M_1 in our model, i.e. $M_1 \leq M_\phi/2$. We are interested in the parameter space where ϕ is long-lived to dominate the energy Budget of the Universe
- In Case (a) and Case (b), the leptogenesis scale is $\sim T_\phi$ which means GW experiments can probe leptogenesis even for strong washout $K > 1$ where RHNs might eventually thermalize with the radiation bath. Also a lower T_ϕ value decreases the SNR, making it more difficult to observe.

Thank you