

# Moduli Stars and Bubbles of False Vacuum\*

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\*Only time for "Moduli Stars" For False Vacuum bubbles: de Alwis, Muia, Pasquarella, FQ to appear 1907.xxxxx

# Based on Articles

- S. Antusch, F. Cefala, S. Krippendorf, F. Muia, S. Orani and FQ:  
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*“Moduli Stars,”*  
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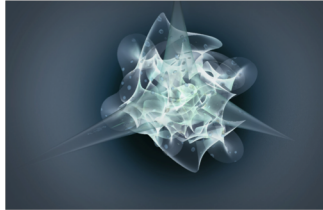
LatticeEasy

GRChombo

\* See also talk by Francesco Muia

# Strings and Moduli

- String theory predicts (6 or 7) extra dimensions
- Major problem: Fixing size and shape of extra dimensions (moduli)



- Progress to fix all moduli: only this century (GKP, KKLT, LVS,...)
- In some cases the 4D space = de Sitter space ( $\Lambda > 0$ )

# Moduli Stabilisation in IIB

- Moduli  $S, T_i, U_a$

$$V_F = e^K \left( K_{MN}^{-1} D_M W \bar{D}_{\bar{M}} \bar{W} - 3|W|^2 \right)$$

$$W_{\text{tree}} = W_{\text{flux}}(U, S) \quad K_{i\bar{j}}^{-1} K_i K_{\bar{j}} = 3 \quad \text{No-scale}$$

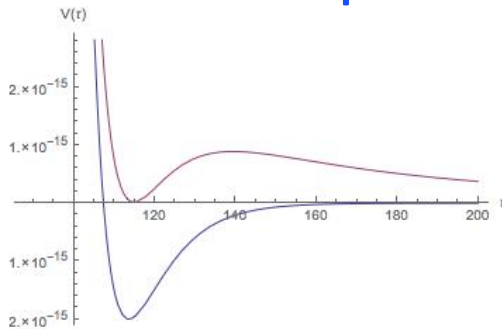
$$V_F = e^K \left( K_{a\bar{b}}^{-1} D_a W D_{\bar{b}} \bar{W} \right) \geq 0$$

Fix  $S, U$  but  $T$  arbitrary

- Quantum corrections

$$\delta V \propto W_0^2 \delta K + W_0 \delta W$$

- Three options:



$W_0 \gg \delta W \quad \delta K \gg \delta W$  Runaway: Dine-Seiberg problem

$$W_0 \sim \delta W = \tilde{W}_{\text{np}} \\ W_0 \ll 1$$

Fix T-modulus: KKLT

$$\delta K \sim W_0 \delta W$$

$$\delta K \sim 1/\mathcal{V} \text{ and } \delta W \sim e^{-a\tau}$$

Fix T-moduli: LVS

$$\mathcal{V} \sim e^{a_s \tau_s} \gg 1 \text{ with } \tau_s \sim \frac{\xi^{2/3}}{g_s}$$

**\*Warning: Runaway  $\neq$  Quintessence!**

# de Sitter

- Anti D3 brane
- D+F terms in EFT or T-branes
- Complex structure/Dilaton uplift ( $D_U W \neq 0$ ,  $D_S W \neq 0$ )
- Non critical strings, negative curvature compactifications, Kahler uplift, nonperturbative effects on D3 branes, ...

# Challenges to KKLT, LVS,...

See talks: McCallister, Hebecker, van Riet, Sethi, Grana, Blumenhagen, Tomasiello,...

- Antibranes, fluxes and non-perturbative effects?
- Tuning  $W_0 \ll 1$ ? in KKLT ( $W_0 = O(1)$  in LVS)
- Higher order corrections ?
- T-branes in a controlled region?
- More explicit compact CY (realistic) models of dS
- Populating the landscape (large # of U moduli + vacuum transitions)

See: Cicoli, de Alwis, Maharana, Muia, FQ [arXiv:1808.08967](https://arxiv.org/abs/1808.08967)

# Swampland and Bootstrap

J. Conlon, FQ 1811.06276

e.g. LVS/CFT

Mode	Spin	Parity	Conformal dimension
$T_{\mu\nu}$	2	+	3
$a$	0	-	3
$\Phi$	0	+	$8.038 = \frac{3}{2}(1 + \sqrt{19})$

All other conformal dimensions  $O(V^a)$

$$\mathcal{L}_{(\delta\Phi)^n} = (-1)^{n-1} \lambda^n (n-1) \left( -3 \frac{M_P^2}{R_{AdS}^2} \right) \frac{1}{n!} \left( \frac{\delta\Phi}{M_P} \right)^n \left( 1 + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{1}{\lambda \langle \Phi \rangle} \right) \right),$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{(\delta\Phi)^{n-2}aa} = \left( -\sqrt{\frac{8}{3}} \right)^{(n-2)} \frac{1}{2(n-2)!} \left( \frac{\delta\Phi}{M_P} \right)^{n-2} \partial_\mu a \partial^\mu a,$$

\* LVS Satisfies strong and weak AdS distance conjectures (Palti)

**Further  
Conjectures?** }

- SUSY at KK scale ?
- Standard Model ?
- Quintessence?

# Partly full Partly empty





# String Cosmology

- Epochs: Pre-inflation, inflation, post-inflation (pre-BBN)
- Chiral spectrum implies  $N=0,1$  in 4D (work with  $N=1$ )
- Strings relevant in postinflation? (yes: moduli).

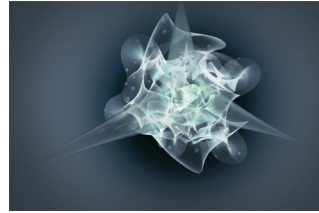
“Generically”: If EFT is supersymmetric then the moduli survive at low energies until susy breaks:

$$\text{mass}_{\text{moduli}} \approx m_{\text{gravitino}}.$$

(but interesting exceptions!)

# Kahler moduli

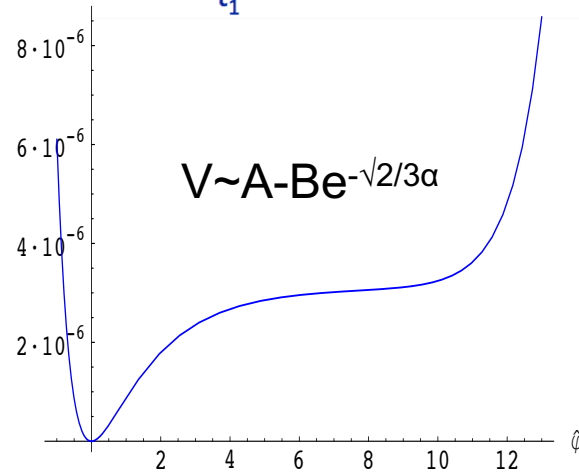
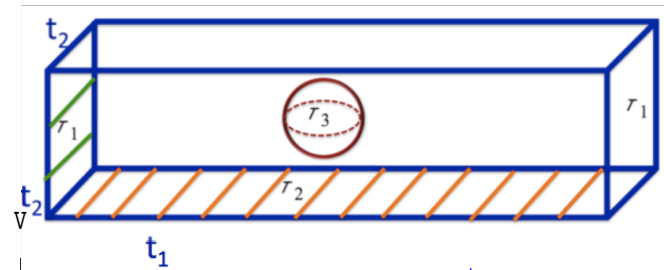
- Overall volume



- Blow-up

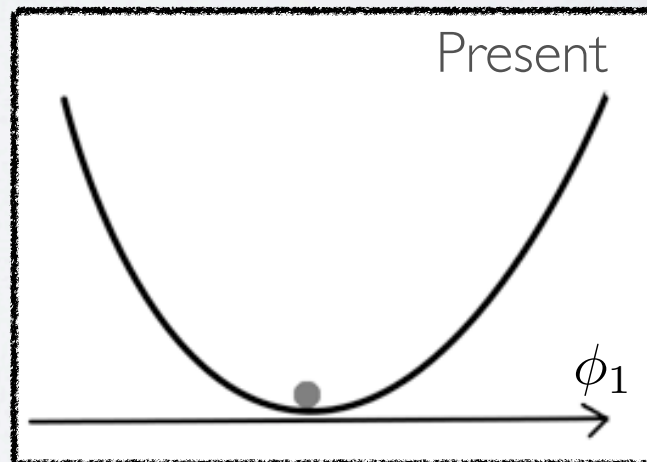
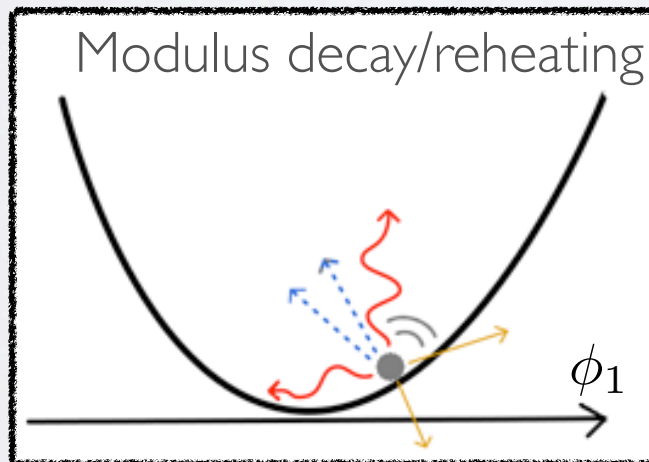
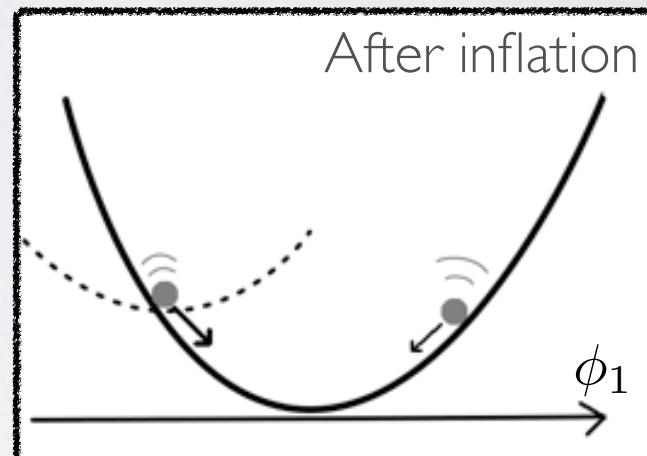
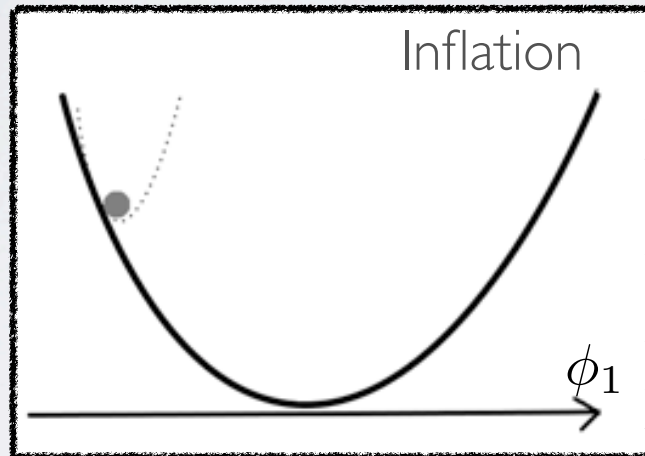


- Fibre moduli



# Post Inflation

# Moduli Domination



$$\Gamma_\phi \sim \frac{1}{8\pi} \frac{m_\phi^3}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}$$

$$T > O(1 \text{ MeV}), \text{ so } m_\phi \gtrsim 3 \cdot 10^4 \text{ GeV}$$

Coughlan et al 1983, Banks et al, de Carlos et al 1993

# Oscillons\* from String Moduli

Antusch, Cefalá, Krippendorf, Muia, Orani, FQ

[arXiv:1708.08922](https://arxiv.org/abs/1708.08922)

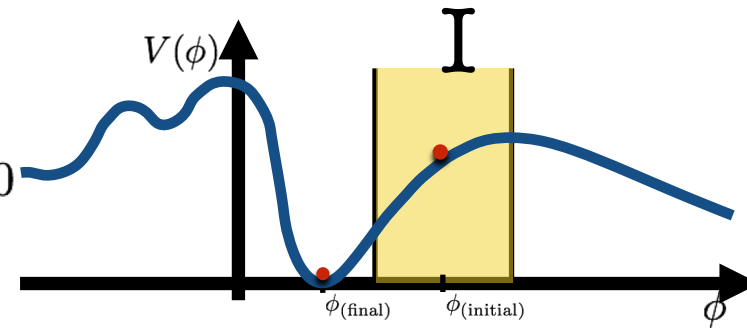
\*localised, long-lived, non-linear excitations of the scalar fields.

# Generalities

- Exponentially growing solutions:

$$\ddot{\phi}(t) + 3H\dot{\phi}(t) + V'(\phi(t)) = 0$$

$$\delta\ddot{\phi}_k + 3H\delta\dot{\phi}_k + \left( \frac{k^2}{a^2(t)} + V''(\phi(t)) \right) \delta\phi_k = 0$$



- Conditions for unstable solutions:

i. parametric resonance

ii. tachyonic preheating (modulus displaced in I)

$$k^2/a^2 + \partial^2 V/\partial\phi^2 < 0$$

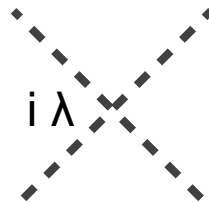
iii. tachyonic oscillations (oscillations reach I)

$$k_p \sim \sqrt{\partial^2 V/\partial\phi^2|_{\min}} \equiv m$$

# Necessary Conditions for Oscillons production

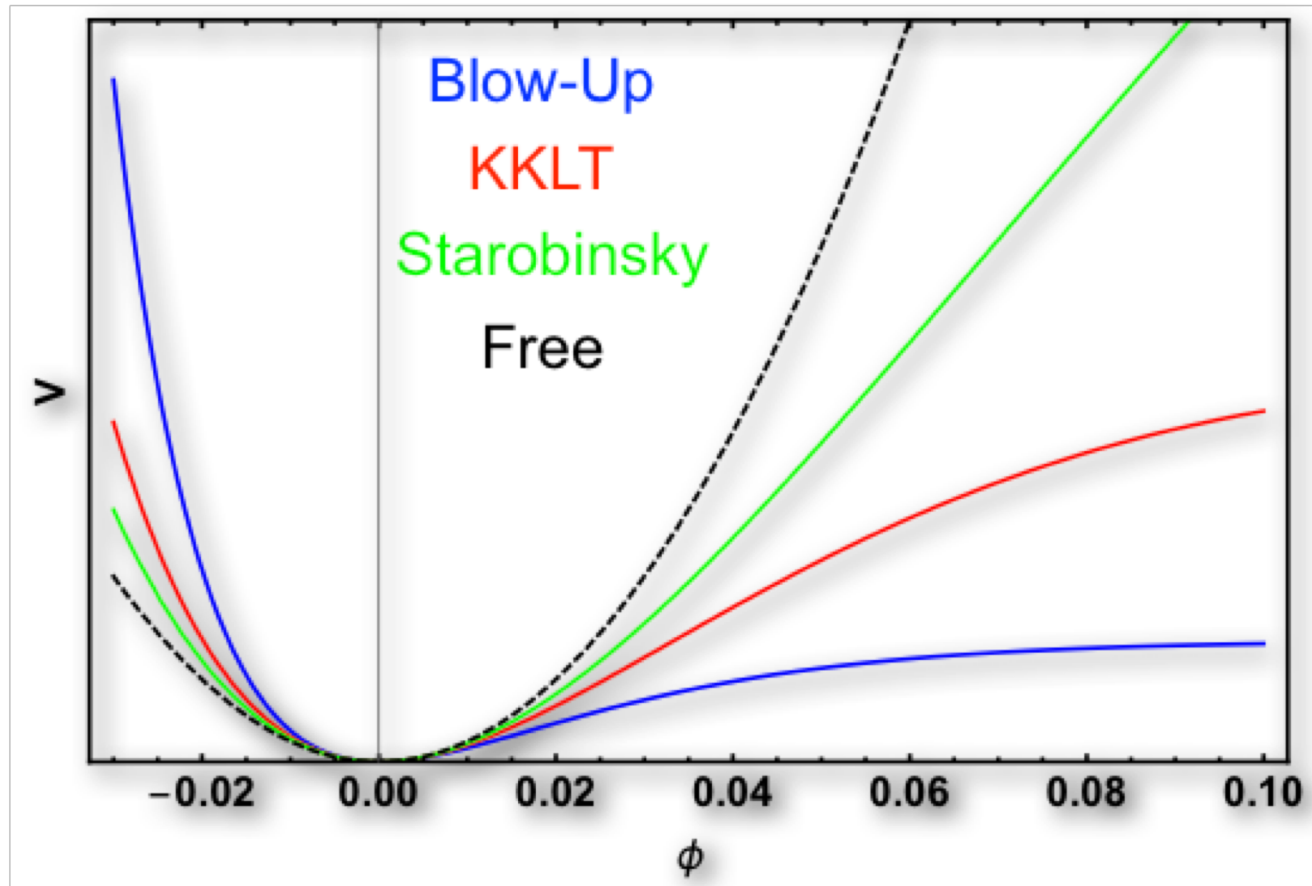
- Quantum fluctuations of the field grow as it oscillates around the minimum.
- The growth of fluctuations is sufficiently strong for non-linear interactions to become important.
- The potential is shallower than quadratic away from the minimum in some field space region relevant for the dynamics of the field.

$$V = \frac{m^2}{2}\phi^2 - \frac{\lambda}{4!}\phi^4 + \dots$$



Attractive 'force'  
for  $\lambda > 0$

# Moduli Potentials





# Lattice simulations\*

- LatticeEasy: to analyse strong growth of perturbations.

$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} - \frac{1}{a^2}\nabla^2\phi + \frac{\partial V}{\partial\phi} = 0 \quad H^2 = \frac{1}{3M_{\text{Pl}}^2} \left( V + \frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2 + \frac{1}{2a^2}|\nabla\phi|^2 \right)$$

- Modified version to calculate also metric perturbations:

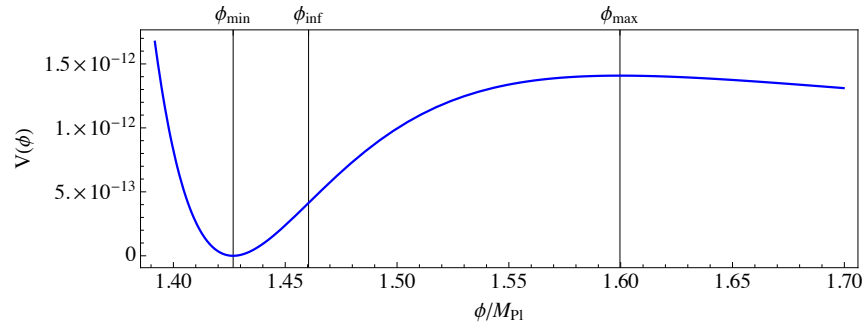
$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + a^2(t)(\delta_{ij} + h_{ij})dx^i dx^j$$
$$\ddot{h}_{ij} + 3H\dot{h}_{ij} - \frac{1}{a^2}\nabla^2 h_{ij} = \frac{2}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}\Pi_{ij}^{\text{TT}} \quad \Pi_{ij}^{\text{TT}} = \frac{1}{a^2}[\partial_i\phi\partial_j\phi]^{\text{TT}}$$
$$\Omega_{\text{GW}}(k) = \frac{1}{\rho_c} k \frac{d\rho_{\text{GW}}}{dk} \quad \rho_{\text{GW}}(t) = \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}{4} \left\langle \dot{h}_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t)\dot{h}_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) \right\rangle_{\text{V}}$$

\*Plus Floquet analysis

# KKLT Oscillons

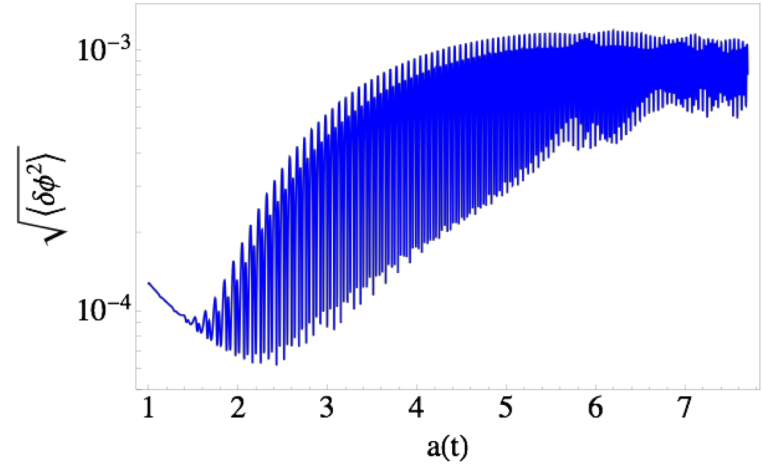
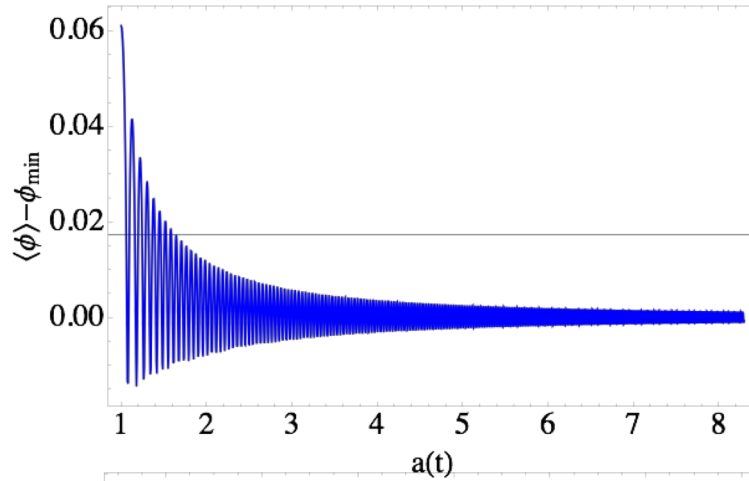
$$V/M_{\text{Pl}}^4 = \frac{e^{K_{\text{cs}}}}{6\tau^2} \left( aA^2(3 + a\tau)e^{-2a\tau} - 3aAe^{-a\tau}W_0 \right) .$$

$$\phi/M_{\text{Pl}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \log(T + \bar{T}) . \quad 10^{-12} \leq W_0 \leq 10^{-5}, \quad 1 \leq A \leq 10, \quad 1 \leq a \leq 2\pi .$$

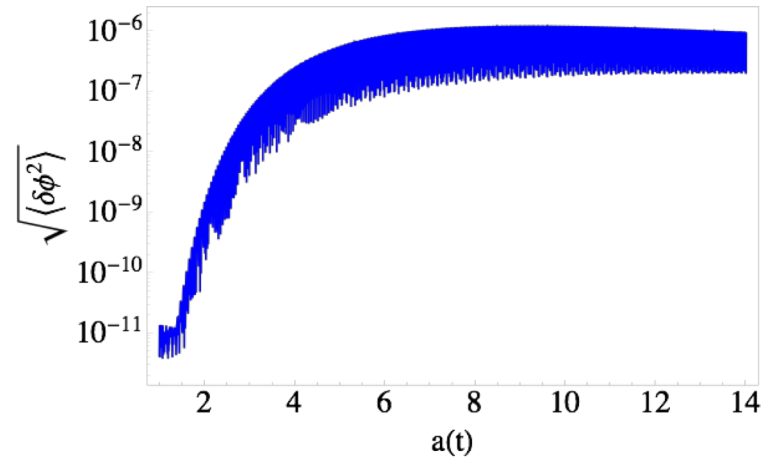
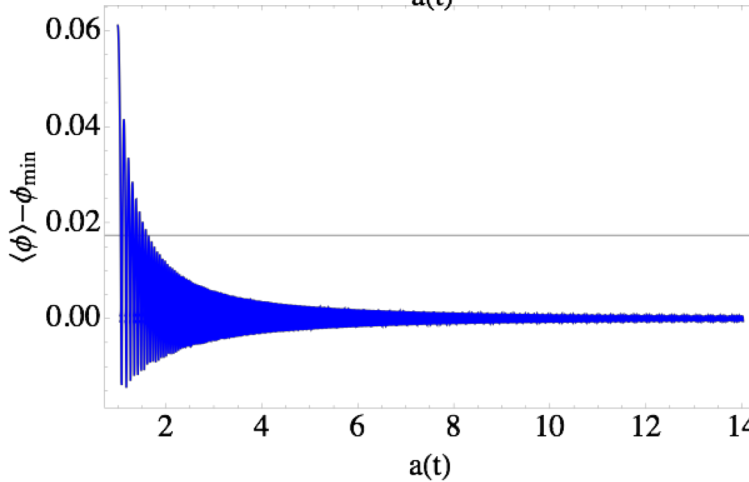


# KKLT results

$W_0=10^{-12}$   
(no oscillons)



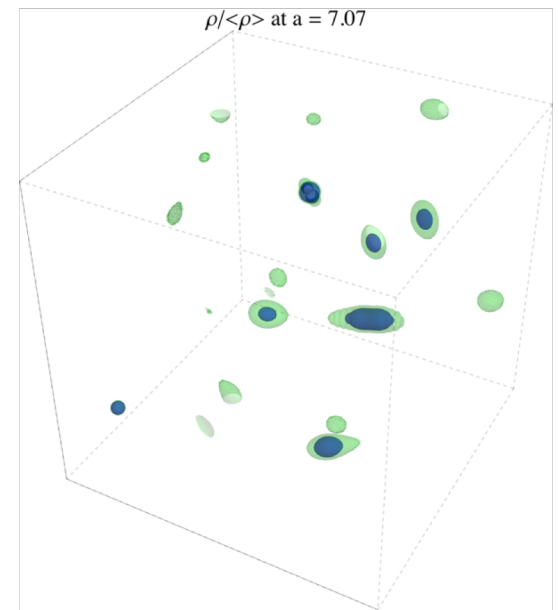
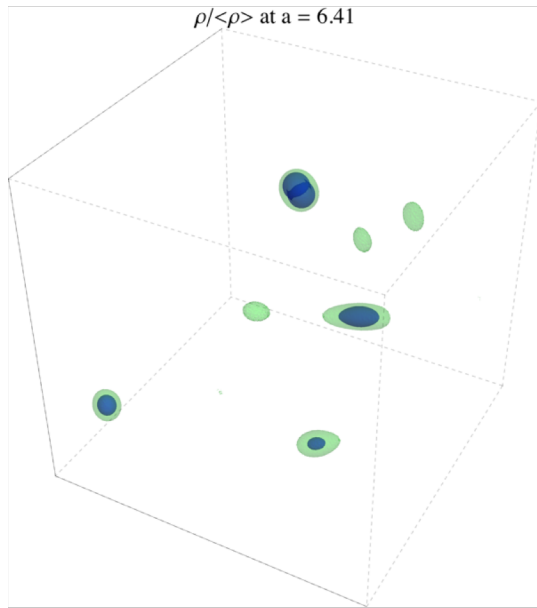
$W_0=10^{-5}$   
oscillons  
generated



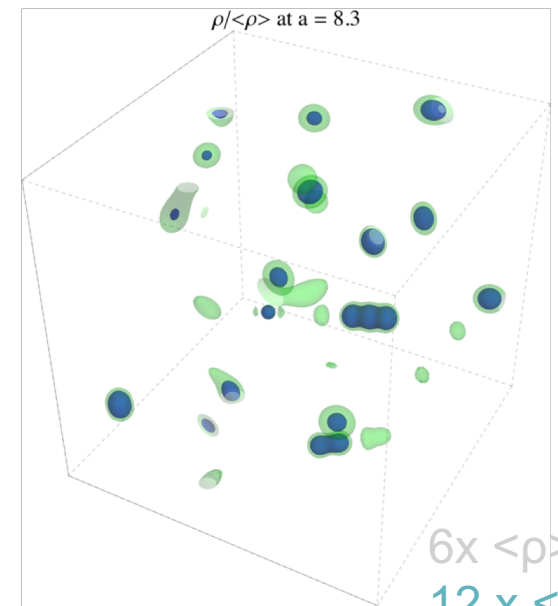
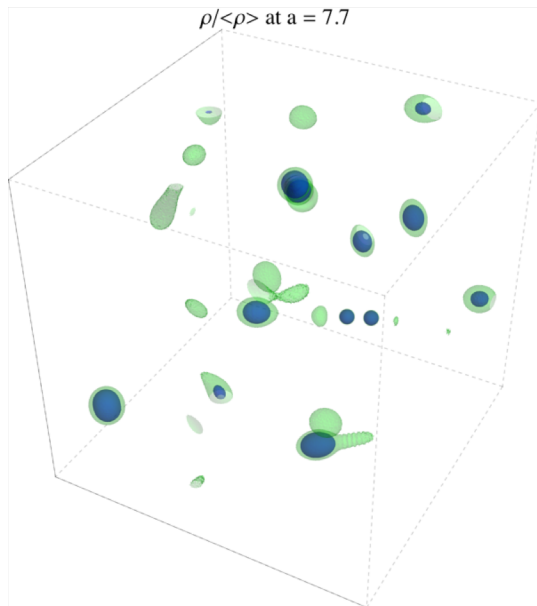
$512^3$  points

$$L^3 \simeq (0.7/H_{\text{initial}})^3$$

# Snapshots

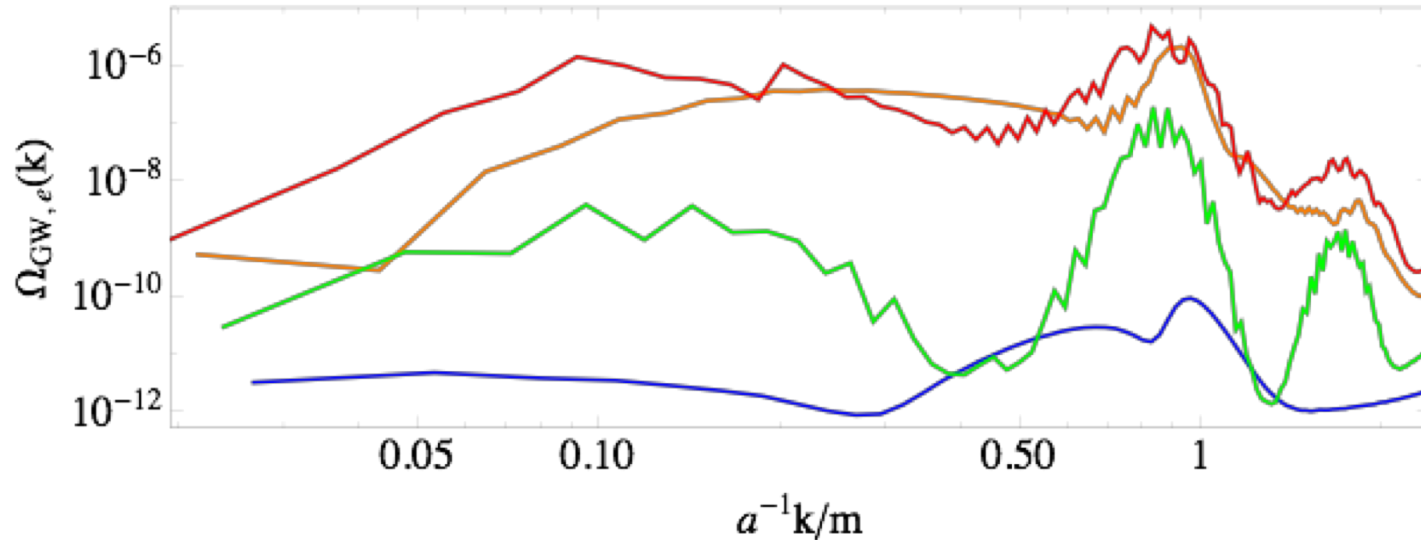


$$W_0 = 10^{-5}$$
$$A = 10$$
$$a = 2\pi$$



6x  $\langle\rho\rangle$   
12x  $\langle\rho\rangle$

# GW spectrum: KKL T



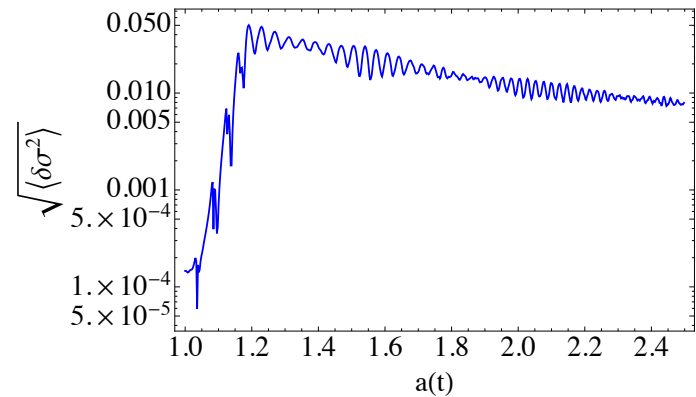
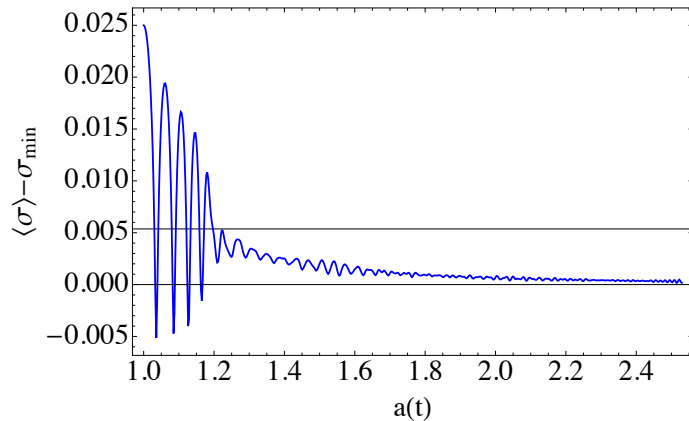
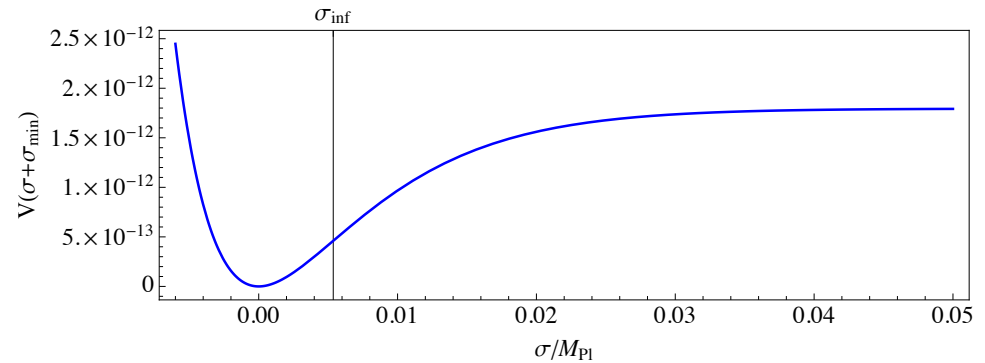
$$f_{0,\text{peak}} \sim 10^9 \text{ Hz}$$

$$\Omega_{\text{GW},0}(f_{0,\text{peak}}) \sim 3 \times 10^{-11}$$

\*Overall scaling can lower frequency but also lower the amplitude

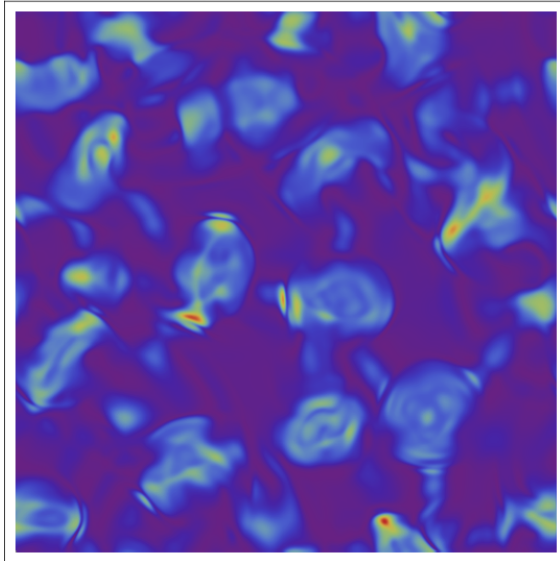
# Blow-up Potential in LVS

$$V \sim V_0 \left( 1 - \kappa(\sigma) e^{-\alpha \sigma^{4/3}} \right)^2 ,$$

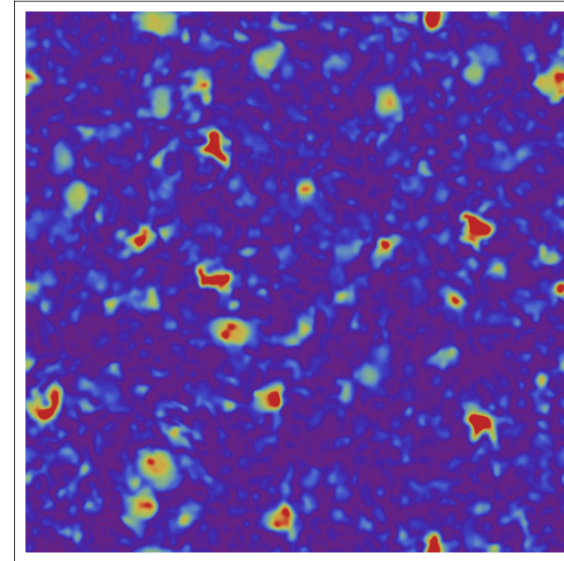


# Oscillons from Blow-up mode

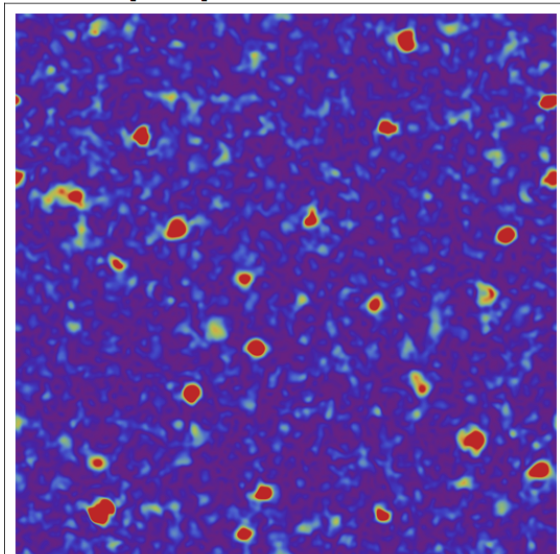
$\rho/\langle\rho\rangle$  at  $a=1.26$



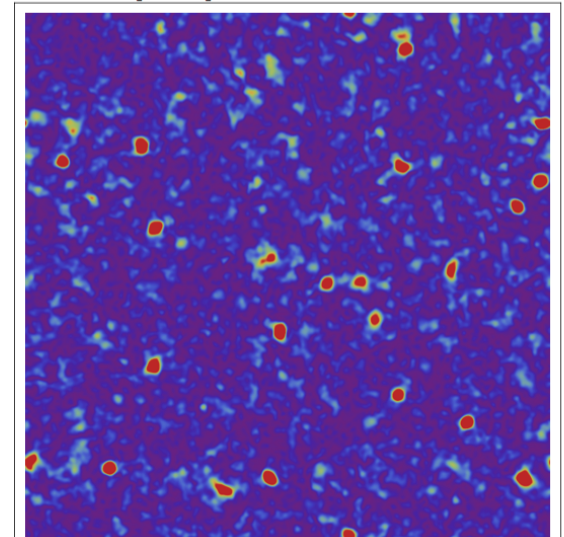
$\rho/\langle\rho\rangle$  at  $a=2.$



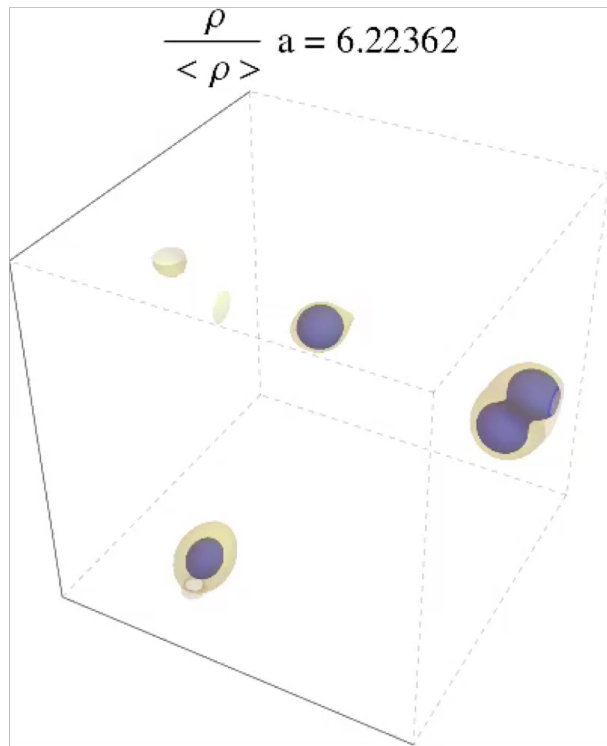
$\rho/\langle\rho\rangle$  at  $a=3.02$



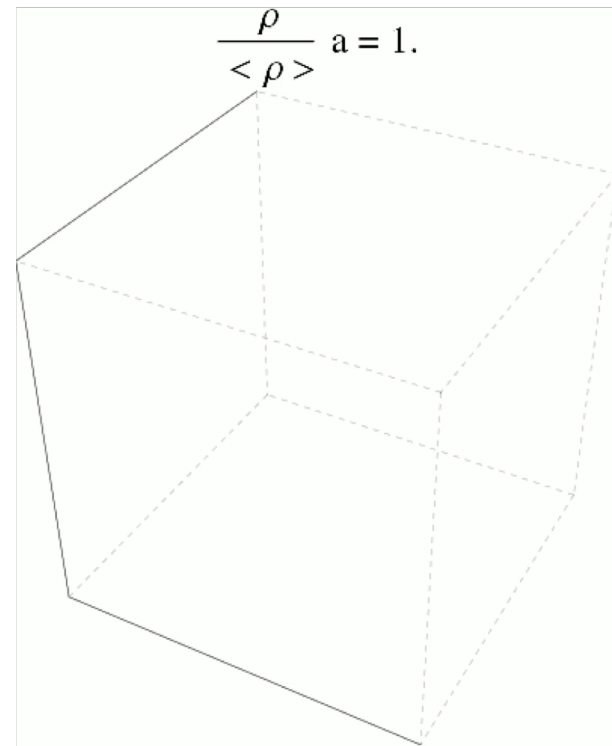
$\rho/\langle\rho\rangle$  at  $a=4.02$



## 3D lattice simulations (Blow-up vs KKLT)

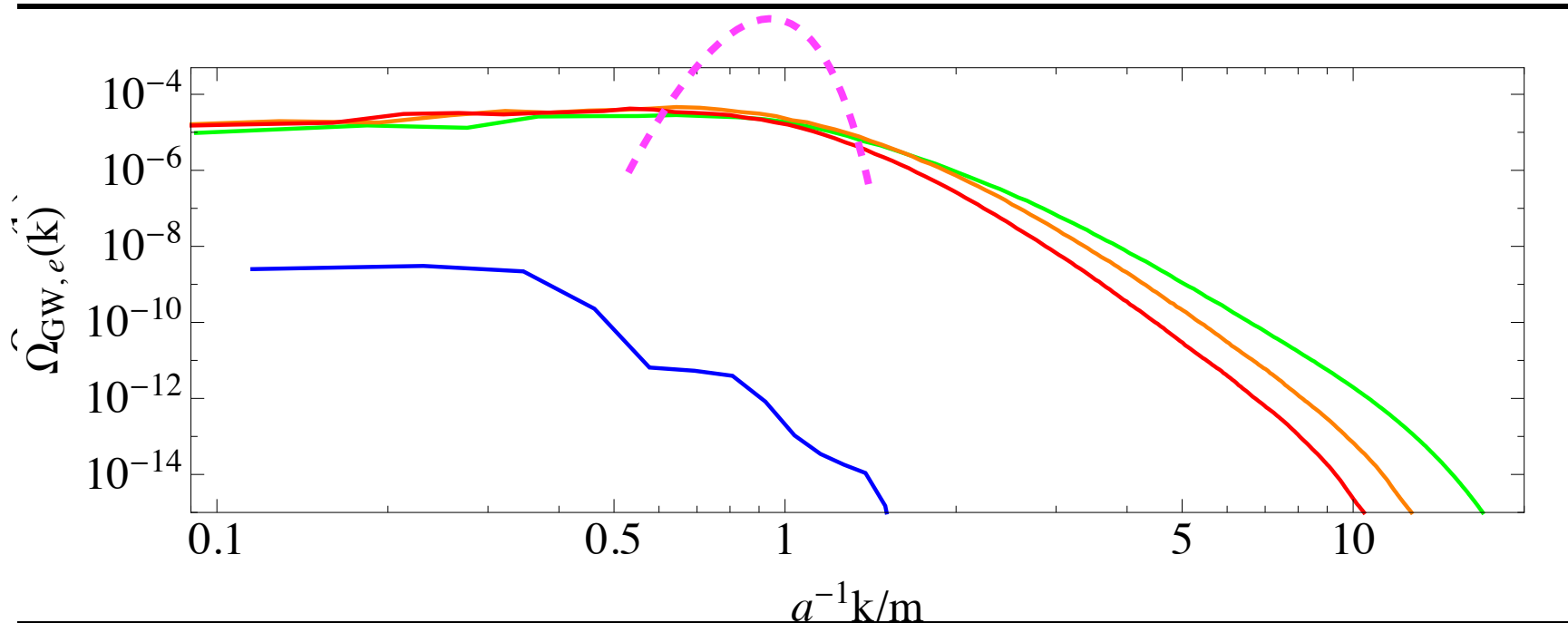


- $\rho > 6\langle \rho \rangle$
- $\rho > 12\langle \rho \rangle$





# Gravitational Waves



$$f_0 \sim 10^8 \text{ Hz} - 10^9 \text{ Hz}, \quad \text{with} \quad \Omega_{GW,0} \sim 10^{-10} - 5 \times 10^{-10}.$$

\*No oscillons for volume nor fibre moduli but also no overshooting!

# Moduli Stars

# Boson and Fermion Stars

- Fermion stars: Gravity vs fermion pressure

$$GM^2/R \sim N^{4/3}/R, \quad N = M/m$$

$$M_{\max} \sim \frac{M_{\text{P}}^3}{m_f^2} \quad R_{\min} \sim \frac{M_{\text{P}}}{m_f^2}.$$

(e.g.  $M \sim M_{\odot}$  for  $m \sim 1$  GeV neutron star)

- Boson stars: Gravitational BEC

Heisenberg  $R > 1/m$   
Schwarzschild  $R \sim 2GM$

$$R_{\min} \sim \frac{1}{m} \quad M_{\max} \sim \frac{M_{\text{P}}^2}{m}.$$

But adding interactions

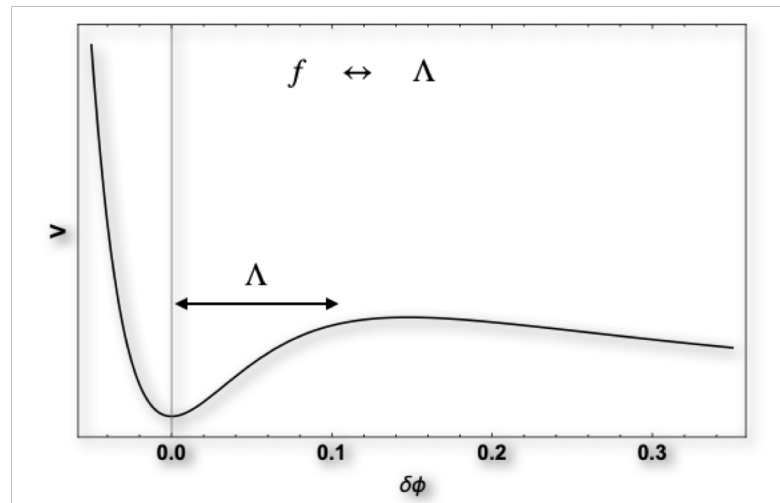
$$M_c \sim M_{\text{p}}^3/m^2$$

# Classification of Scalar Stars

Scalar	$G = 0$	$G = 1$	
Complex	<b><i>Q-Balls</i></b> Global $U(1)$	<b><i>Mini-Boson Stars</i></b> weak self-interactions	<b><i>Boson Stars</i></b> strong self-interactions
Real	<b><i>Oscillons</i></b> attractive self-interactions	<b><i>Oscillatons</i></b> (e.g. Axion and Moduli stars)	

# Regimes

- Dilute
- Dense



if  $\Lambda/M_p \sim \mathcal{O}(0.1 - 1)$  gravity is non negligible

# Are there stringy boson/fermion stars?

Candidates:

Long-lived (stable) gravitationally coupled fields:

- hidden sector fermions/bosons,
- moduli,
- modulini,
- gravitini

# Stringy Fermion Stars

Gravitino and modulini:

$$M_{\max} \sim \frac{M_{\text{P}}^3}{m_f^2} \quad m_f = m_{3/2} = \frac{W_0}{\mathcal{V}}$$

Validity of EFT and Cosmological moduli problem:  $10^3 \leq \mathcal{V} \leq 10^9$

$$1 \text{ g} \lesssim M \lesssim 10^{15} \text{ g}, \quad 10^{-27} \text{ cm} \lesssim R \lesssim 10^{-15} \text{ cm}$$

**Recall:**  $M_{\odot} \simeq 2 \times 10^{33} \text{ g} \simeq 10^{57} \text{ GeV}$ .  $1 \text{ GeV} \simeq 1.8 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g}$

# e.g. Volume modulus stars

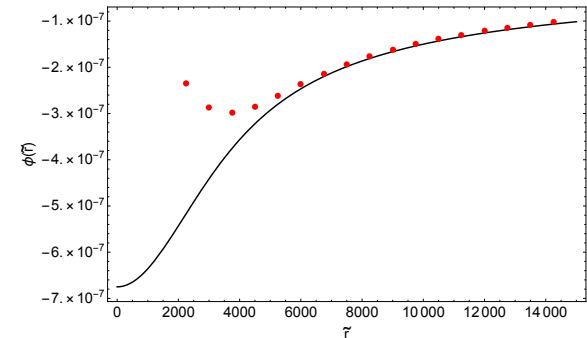
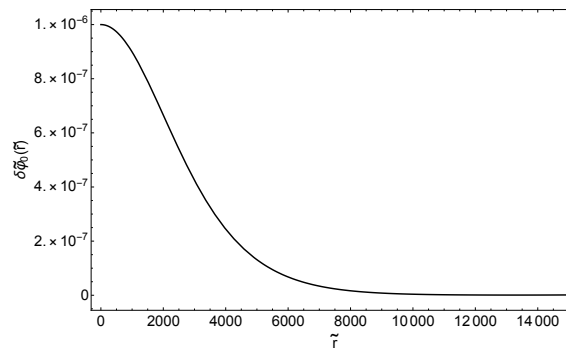
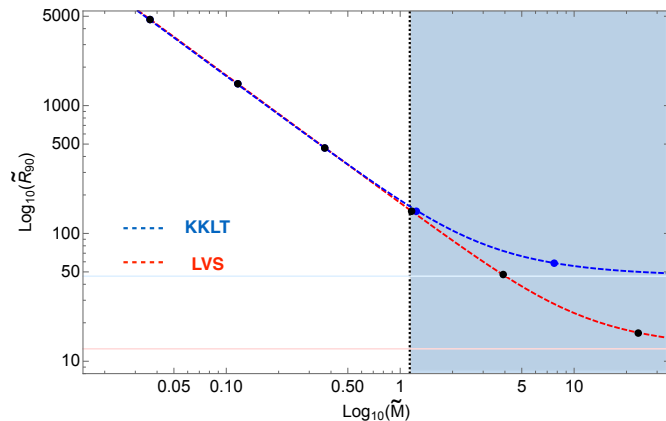
$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ -\frac{g^{\mu\nu}}{2} \partial_\mu \varphi \partial_\nu \varphi - V(\varphi) \right]$$

$$\varphi(r, t) = \varphi_0(r) \cos(\omega t), \quad ds^2 = -(1 + 2\phi) dt^2 + (1 - 2\phi) dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2,$$

$$\tilde{\varphi}_0''(\tilde{r}) + \frac{2}{\tilde{r}} \tilde{\varphi}_0'(\tilde{r}) = 2(\phi(\tilde{r}) - \epsilon) \tilde{\varphi}_0(\tilde{r}),$$

$$\phi''(\tilde{r}) + \frac{2}{\tilde{r}} \phi'(\tilde{r}) = \frac{\tilde{\varphi}_0^2(\tilde{r})}{4},$$

$$M(r) = \left( \frac{\Lambda^2}{m} \right) \tilde{M}(\tilde{r}), \quad \tilde{M}(\tilde{r}) = 4\pi \int_0^{\tilde{r}} d\tilde{r}' \tilde{r}'^2 \tilde{\rho}(\tilde{r}').$$





# Q-Balls\*

...Coleman (1985)...

Complex scalar, U(1) global symmetry

$$\mathcal{L} = \int d^3x \left( \frac{1}{2} \partial^\mu \Phi \partial_\mu \Phi^* - U(|\Phi|) \right)$$

U minimum at  $\Phi=0$

Noether current and conserved charge

$$J_\mu = \frac{1}{2i} (\Phi^* \partial_\mu \Phi - \Phi \partial_\mu \Phi^*); \quad Q = \int d^3x J^0 = \frac{1}{2i} \int d^3x (\Phi^* \dot{\Phi} - h.c.)$$

Extrema of energy

$$\begin{aligned} E_\omega &= \int d^3x \left( \frac{1}{2} |\dot{\Phi}|^2 + \frac{1}{2} |\nabla \Phi|^2 + U(|\Phi|) \right) + \omega \left( Q - \frac{1}{2i} \int d^3x (\Phi^* \dot{\Phi} - h.c.) \right) \\ &= \int d^3x \left( \frac{1}{2} |\dot{\Phi} - i\omega \Phi|^2 + \frac{1}{2} |\nabla \Phi|^2 + \hat{U}(|\Phi|) \right) + \omega Q \quad \hat{U}_\omega(|\Phi|) = U(|\Phi|) - \frac{1}{2} \omega^2 |\Phi|^2. \end{aligned}$$

$$\Phi(x, t) = \varphi(x) e^{i\omega t}$$

Thin wall approximation (large Q)

$$E = Q \sqrt{\frac{2U(\varphi_0)}{\varphi_0^2}}$$

# Q-balls in string theory?\*

Global symmetries?

1. From (non) anomalous U(1)
2. From Peccei-Quinn symmetries

**\*Open strings:**

$$U_D = g^2 \left( \xi - \sum_i q_i |\Phi_i|^2 \right)^2$$
$$U_{\text{soft}} = \sum_i m_i^2 |\Phi_i|^2 + \left( \sum_{ijk} A_{ijk} \Phi_i \Phi_j \Phi_k + \sum_{ij} B_{ij} \Phi_i \Phi_j + h.c. \right)$$
$$E^2 = \frac{2U}{\sum_i q_i |\Phi_i|^2} = \frac{2(U_D + U_{\text{soft}})}{\sum_i q_i |\Phi_i|^2}$$

Minimum for nonvanishing:  $\rho^2 = \sum_i q_i \rho_i^2 = \sum_i q_i |\Phi_i|^2$

e.g. Kusenko (1997) for  
MSSM

# Closed string sector\*

- Massive moduli + axion  
(generalised axion stars,  $m > 1$  TeV)

- Axion much lighter  
(Ultra-light axion)

$$V_\psi = \frac{g_s}{2\pi} a_b A_b \frac{e^{-a_b \tau_b}}{\tau_b^2} [1 + \cos(a_b \psi_b)] ,$$

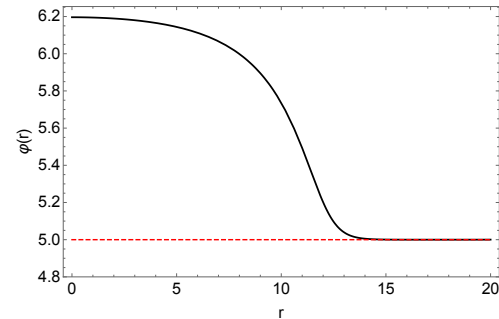
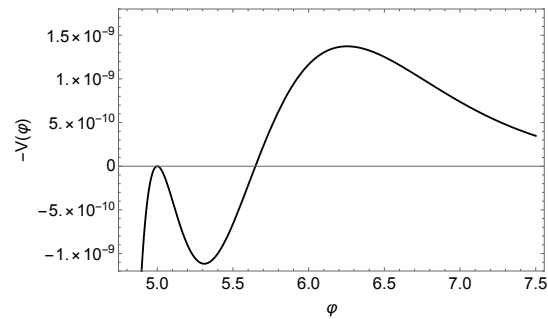
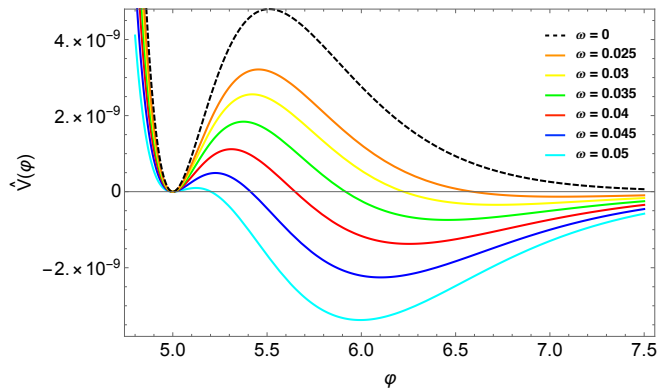
- PQ symmetry almost exact (PQ-balls?)

# PQ Balls?\*

$$S = \int d^4x \mathcal{L} = \int d^4x [-f(\tau) [\partial_\mu \tau \partial^\mu \tau + \partial_\mu \theta \partial^\mu \theta] - V(\tau)]$$

$$\dot{\theta} = \omega, \quad \nabla \theta = 0. \quad \hat{V}(\tau) = V(\tau) - \omega^2 f(\tau)$$

$$Q = \omega \int d^3x f(\tau) \propto \int 4\pi r^2 dr \frac{\omega}{r^2} \rightarrow \infty.$$



# Formation Mechanisms

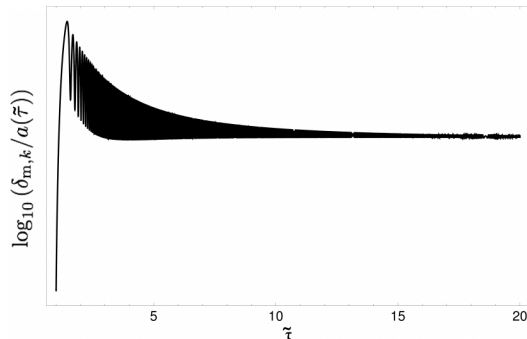
I) There is some initial localized overdensity;

II) The initial overdensity collapses due to the effect of attractive interactions.

$$\delta_{m,k} \equiv \frac{\delta\rho_{m,k}}{\langle\rho\rangle} \propto a(t) \sim t^{2/3}, \quad k \gg aH.$$

$$\Psi = \frac{\delta_{m,k}(t_{\text{dec}})}{\delta_{m,k}(t_{\text{mat}})} \approx \left(\frac{t_{\text{dec}}}{t_{\text{mat}}}\right)^{2/3} \approx \left(\frac{H_{\text{mat}}}{H_{\text{dec}}}\right)^{2/3} \approx \left(\frac{m}{\Gamma}\right)^{2/3} \approx \left(\frac{M_{\text{P}}}{m}\right)^{4/3},$$

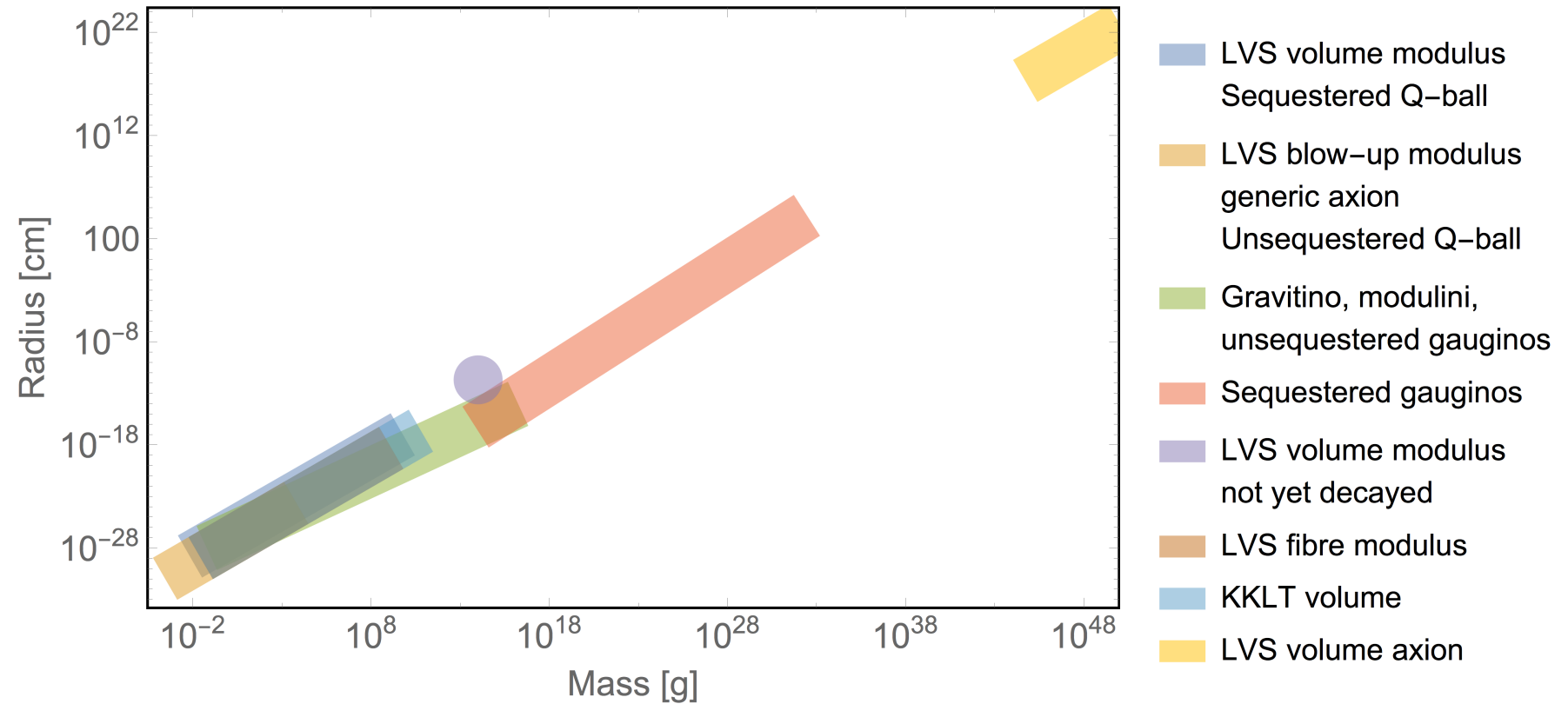
$$\Psi = \frac{\delta_{m,k}(\tau_{\text{dec}})}{\delta_{m,k}(\tau_{\text{mat}})} \Big|_{\nu} \approx \left(\frac{M_{\text{P}}}{M_{\text{P}}/\nu^{3/2}}\right)^{4/3} = \nu^2, \quad \text{Enhancement factor!}$$



# Properties of Moduli Stars

Particle	State mass	Star mass	Star radius	Enhancement
LVS volume modulus	$M_{\text{P}}/\mathcal{V}^{3/2}$	$M_{\text{P}}\mathcal{V}^{3/2}$	$l_{\text{P}}\mathcal{V}^{3/2}$	$\mathcal{V}^2$
LVS blow-up modulus Generic axion	$M_{\text{P}}/\mathcal{V}$	$M_{\text{P}}\mathcal{V}$	$l_{\text{P}}\mathcal{V}^{5/3}$	$\mathcal{V}^{4/3}$
LVS fibre moduli	$M_{\text{P}}/\mathcal{V}^{5/3}$	$M_{\text{P}}\mathcal{V}^{5/3}$	$l_{\text{P}}\mathcal{V}^{5/3}$	$\mathcal{V}^{20/9}$
LVS volume axion	$M_{\text{P}}e^{-\alpha\mathcal{V}^{2/3}}$	$M_{\text{P}}e^{\alpha\mathcal{V}^{2/3}}$	$l_{\text{P}}e^{\alpha\mathcal{V}^{2/3}}$	$e^{4/3\alpha\mathcal{V}^{2/3}}$
KKLT volume modulus	$M_{\text{P}} W_0 /\mathcal{V}$	$M_{\text{P}} W_0 ^{-1}\mathcal{V}$	$l_{\text{P}} W_0 ^{-1}\mathcal{V}$	$( W_0 ^{-1}\mathcal{V})^{4/3}$
Gravitino, modulini, unsequestered gauginos	$M_{\text{P}} W_0 /\mathcal{V}$	$M_{\text{P}}\mathcal{V}^2/ W_0 ^2$	$l_{\text{P}}\mathcal{V}^2/ W_0 ^2$	$\mathcal{V}^{4/3}/ W_0 ^{4/3}$
Sequestered gauginos	$M_{\text{P}}/\mathcal{V}^2$	$M_{\text{P}}\mathcal{V}^4$	$l_{\text{P}}\mathcal{V}^4$	$\mathcal{V}^{8/3}$
Unsequestered Q-balls	$M_{\text{P}}/\mathcal{V}$	$M_{\text{P}}\mathcal{V}$	$l_{\text{P}}\mathcal{V}$	$\mathcal{V}^{4/3}$
Sequestered Q-balls	$M_{\text{P}}/\mathcal{V}^{3/2}$	$M_{\text{P}}\mathcal{V}^{3/2}$	$l_{\text{P}}\mathcal{V}^{3/2}$	$\mathcal{V}^2$

# Size and Mass of Moduli Stars



# Effects of Gravity :

- Additional attractive force



Easier to have stable solutions?

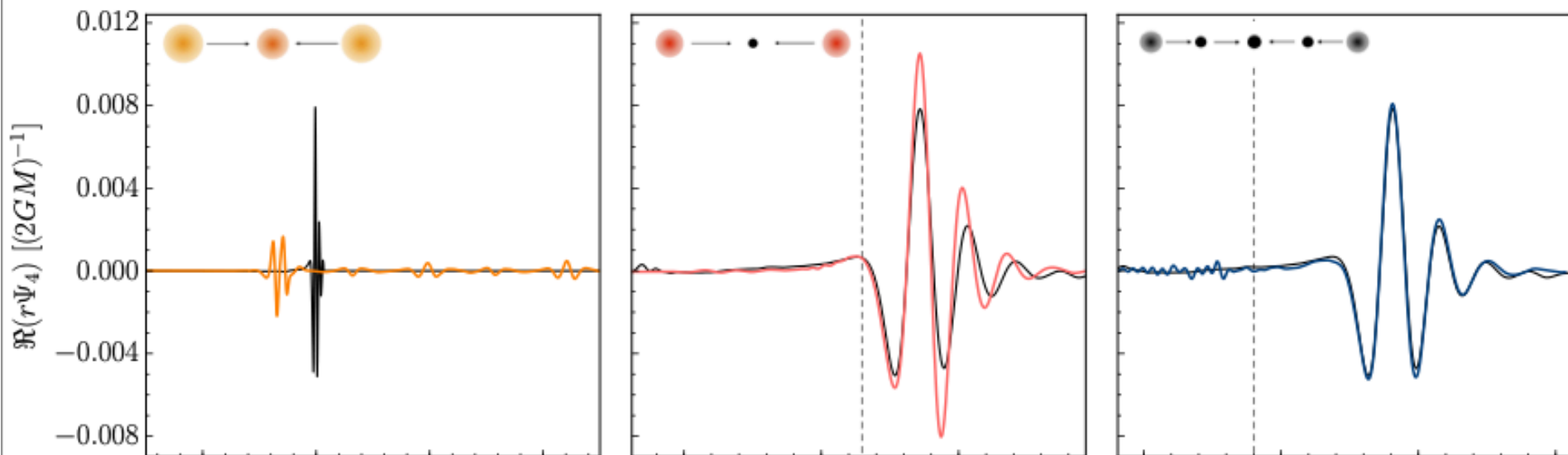
- Larger compactness:  $C \simeq \left(\frac{\Lambda}{M_p}\right)^2$

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Larger GW production from collisions

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- Analytical estimates show that  $\Omega_{GW} \simeq A^4$

[S. Antusch, F. Cefalà, 2017]



if  $\Lambda \simeq M_p$  potentially large GW production

- Possible production of light Primordial Black Holes.

# Effects of Gravity 2:

## Light Primordial Black Holes??

- Provide initial conditions for Hawking genesis.

[O. Lennon, J. March-Russell, R. Petrossian-Byrne, H. Tillim, 2017]

- Hawking radiation is democratic  $\longrightarrow$

constraints on string  
model building?

- Longer lifetime:  $\tau_{osc} \simeq 10^3 \times m^{-1}$



$$\frac{\tau_{BH}}{\tau_{osc}} \simeq \left( \frac{M_p}{m} \right)^2 \lesssim 10^{26}$$



more dynamics and  
GW production?

[M. Amin, P. Mocz, 2019]

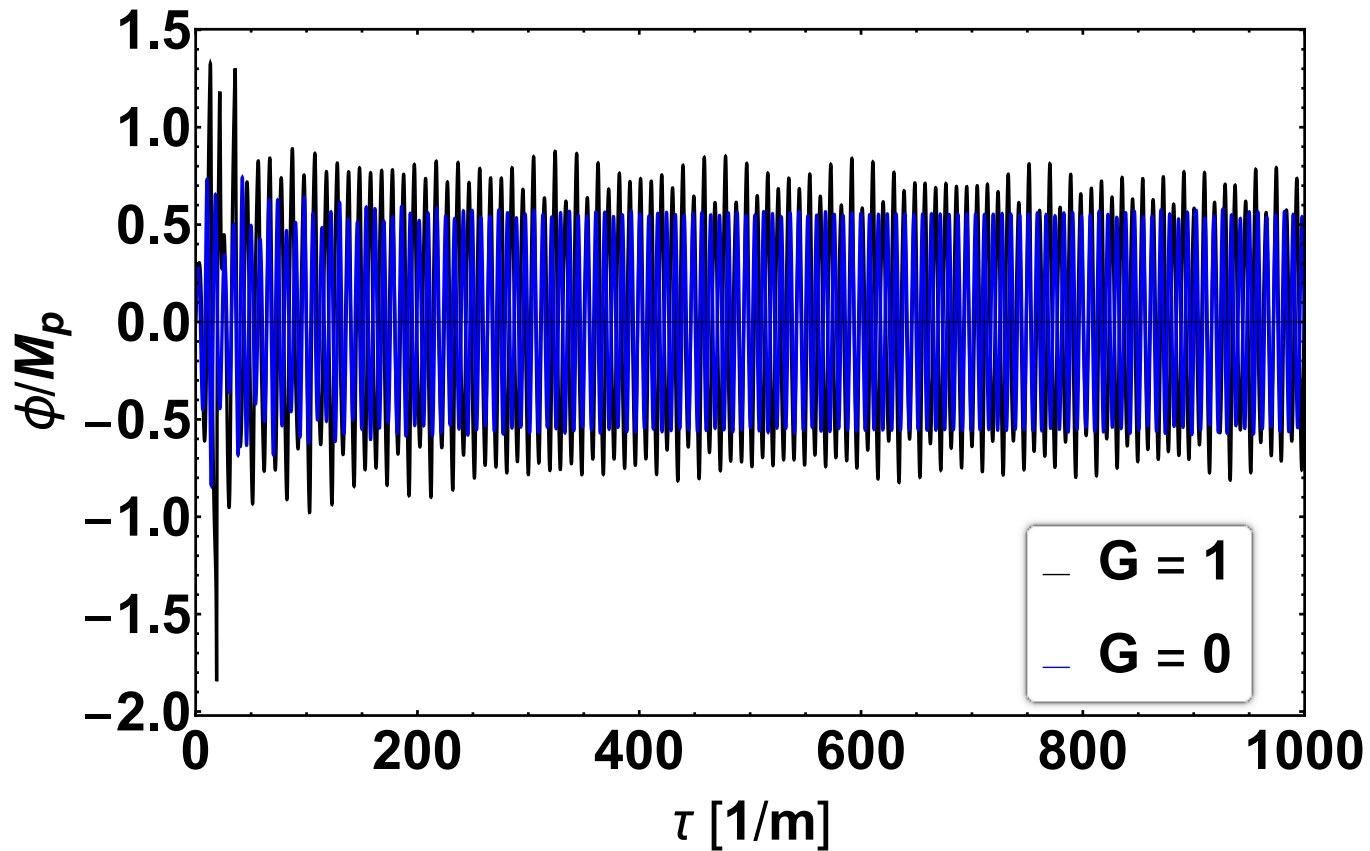
- Matter domination: LPBHs could cluster

[A. Dolgov, D. Ejlli, 2011]

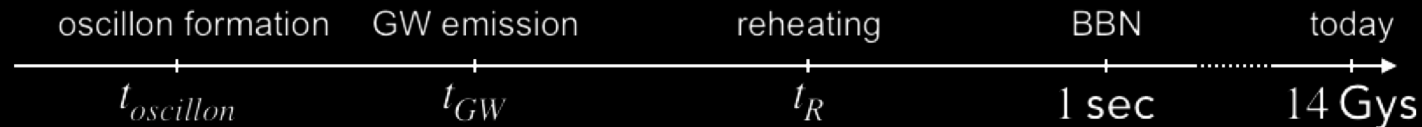


Enhanced GW production  
from collisions

# e.g. Effects of gravity



# Gravitational wave production



$$f_0 \geq \left( \frac{m}{\text{TeV}} \right)^{5/6} \text{ Hz}$$

$$m \simeq 400 \text{ GeV}$$

$$f_0 \geq 10^{-2} \text{ Hz}$$

Lisa

$$m \simeq 10^9 \text{ GeV}$$

$$f_0 \geq 10^2 \text{ Hz}$$

Ligo

$$m \simeq 10^{12} \text{ GeV}$$

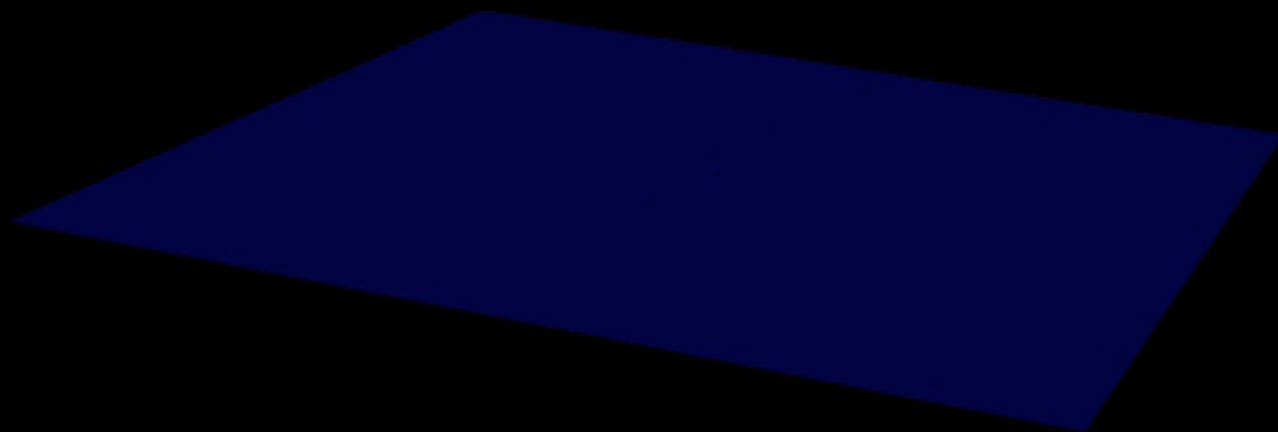
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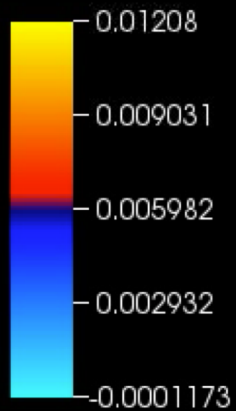
$$m \simeq 10^{15} \text{ GeV}$$

$$f_0 \geq 10^9 \text{ Hz}$$

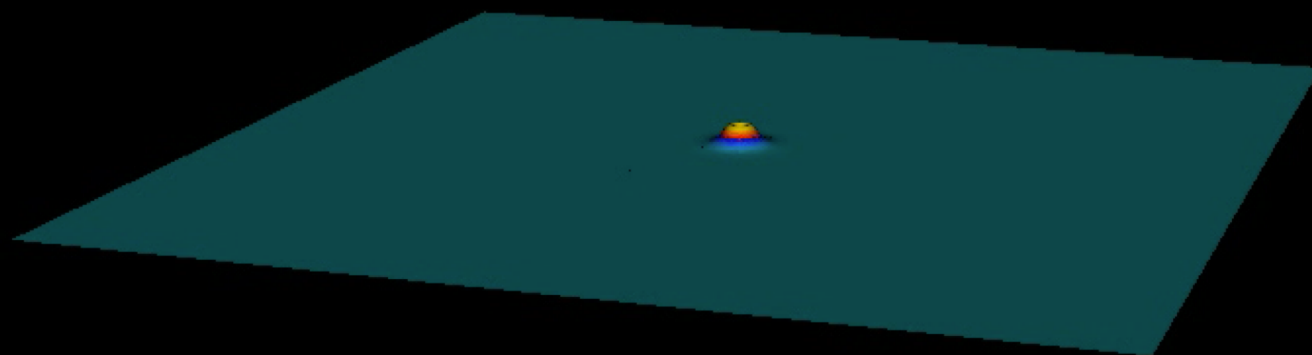


**e.g. Stable  
oscillatons**





**Starobinsky / Fibre  
moduli. Black hole  
collapse.**



Time=400.4

# Summary Results

- Blow-up: Gravity effects negligible
- KKLT: Metastable, larger amplitudes
- Fibre/attractors: Higher amplitudes, Black hole collapse

# Conclusions

- Post-inflation pre-BBN string cosmology interesting
- Rich spectrum of compact objects (stringy oscillons, gravitino, modulini, moduli, oscillatons, axion stars)
- Gravitational waves spectrum ('hear the shape of the extra dimensions?')
- High frequency GWs?

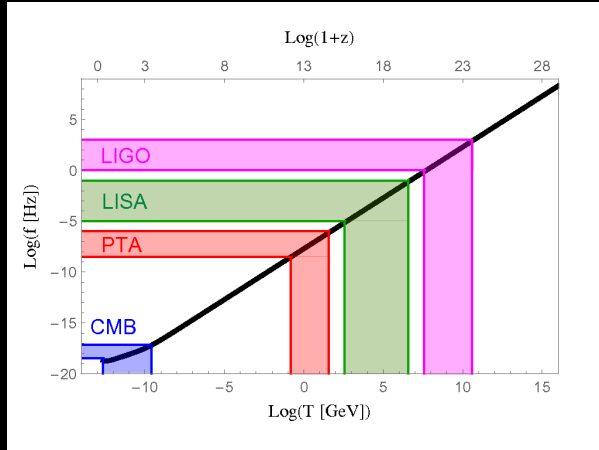
See Caprini's talk



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