

# Imprints of Primordial non-Gaussianity on GWs

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# Brief Summary for Inflation at CMB

- The dimensionless power spectrums for scalar and tensor sectors

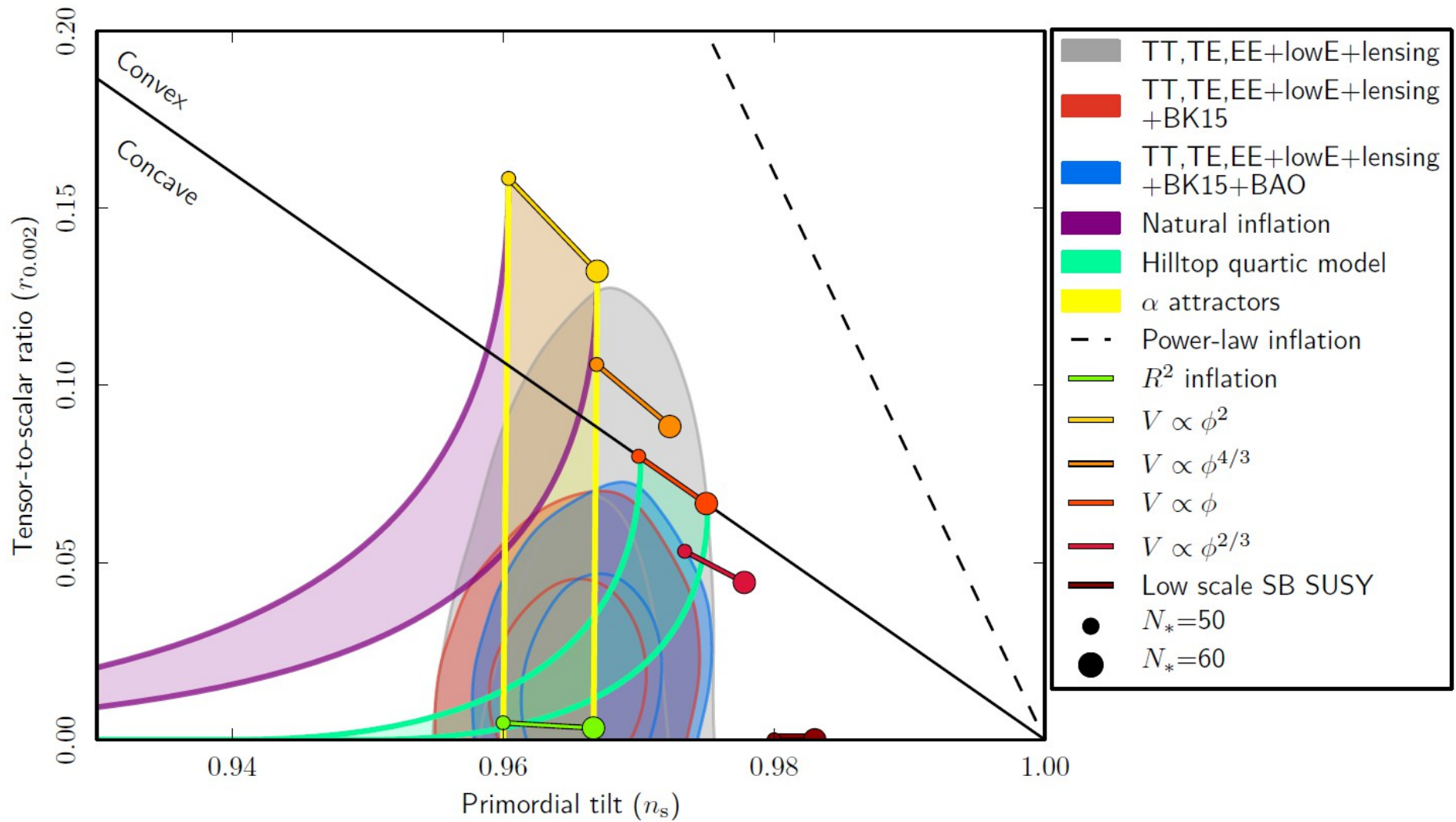
$$\begin{aligned}\langle \zeta_{\vec{k}} \zeta_{\vec{k}'} \rangle &\equiv \frac{2\pi^2}{k^3} P_\zeta(\vec{k}) \delta^{(3)}(\vec{k} + \vec{k}') , \\ \langle h_\lambda(\vec{k}) h_{\lambda'}(\vec{k}') \rangle &= \frac{2\pi^2}{k^3} P_\lambda(k) \delta_{\lambda\lambda'} \delta^{(3)}(\vec{k} + \vec{k}')\end{aligned}\quad (1)$$

- The power spectrum is conventionally parametrized as

$$P_\zeta(k) = \mathcal{A}_s \left( \frac{k}{k_*} \right)^{n_s - 1 + \frac{1}{2}\alpha_s \ln(k/k_*)} , \quad P_{\text{gw}} = \frac{2H^2}{\pi^2 M_p^2} \left( \frac{k}{k_*} \right)^{n_T} \quad (2)$$

- The parameters in Planck '18 (for the pivot scale  $k_* = 0.05 \text{Mpc}^{-1}$ )
  - $\mathcal{A}_s = (2.1 \pm 0.03) \cdot 10^{-9}$  (Planck TT, TE, EE + lowE + lensing), 68% CL
  - $n_s = 0.9649 \pm 0.0042$  (Planck TT, TE, EE + lowE + lensing), 68% CL
  - $\alpha_s = -0.0045 \pm 0.0067$  (Planck TT, TE, EE + lowE + lensing), 68% CL

# Inflationary models



Planck '18

# How to probe smaller scales?

Inflation is expected to last roughly 60 e-folds depending on post-inflation physics.

- CMB and Large Scale Structure (LSS) probe the wavenumbers in the range  $10^{-4} \text{ Mpc}^{-1} \lesssim k \lesssim 0.1 \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$ .
- $\mu$ - and  $y$ - distortions extend this range up to  $\sim 10^4 \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$ . Domcke, Dvorkin for stochastic GWs
- This corresponds only 18 efolds of inflation.

The rest  $\sim 40$  e-folds is unexplored apart from the bounds and potential signatures associated with primordial black holes (PBHs), and the GW signatures!

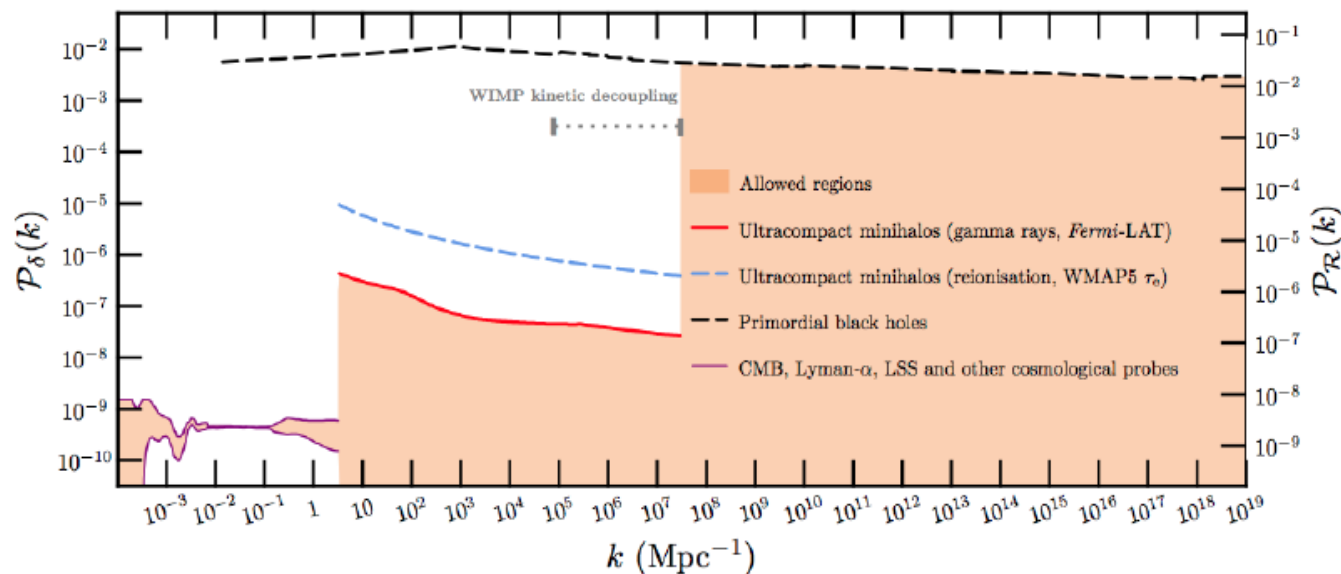


Figure: Density/curvature perturbations, taken from arxiv 1110.2484

Byrnes' talk for PBH review, De Luca's talk for PBH spin

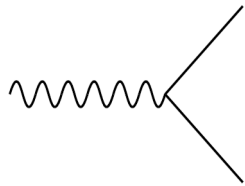
See also Primordial GWs at small scales Maleknejad, Dimastrogiovanni, Fassiello, ....

# Basic Assumptions and Observational Signatures

- Let's assume an increase in scalar fluctuations at scales much smaller than CMB bump (not assume a specific mechanism to produce this feature)

Inevitable consequences!

- (induced) GWs via nonlinear coupling  $\zeta + \zeta \rightarrow h$  Mollerach etal '03  
Ananda etal '06 and Baumann etal '07



$$h''_{\lambda, \mathbf{k}}(\eta) + 2\mathcal{H} h'_{\lambda, \mathbf{k}}(\eta) + \mathbf{k}^2 h_{\lambda, \mathbf{k}}(\eta) = 2\mathcal{S}_{\lambda, \mathbf{k}}(\eta), \quad (3)$$

Racco and Franciolini's talks for  
GWs from PBH

$$\mathcal{S}_{\lambda, \mathbf{k}}(\eta) \propto \int d^3\mathbf{p} \zeta_{\mathbf{p}} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{p}} \quad (4)$$

Inomata and Terada's talks for  
induced GWs

$$\Omega_{GW} \propto P_{h_{ind}} \propto \left( \int d\tau G \cdot \mathcal{S} \right)^2 \propto \langle \zeta \zeta \zeta \zeta \rangle \quad (5)$$

- Primordial Black Holes (may or may not be part of DM, but our conclusions are **independent** from that)
- Could we measure these observables so that we can learn more about primordial/high energy universe?

Possible!

# NonGaussianity

- When curvature fluctuations are amplified, they usually come together with non-trivial amount of NG
  - Slowing down the inflaton leads to quantum diffusion [Pattison etal '17](#), [Biagetti etal '18](#), [Ezquiaga etal '18](#)
  - Particle production is inherently NG via  $2 \rightarrow 1$  and  $3 \rightarrow 1$  processes [Anber etal '09](#), [Bugaev etal '13](#), [Garcia-Bellido etal '16 \(+Unal\)](#)
- Let's allow some NG

$$\zeta_{\mathbf{k}} = \zeta_{\mathbf{k}}^G + f_{NL} \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \zeta_{\mathbf{p}}^G \zeta_{\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{p}}^G, \quad \Rightarrow \quad P_{\zeta}(k) = P_{\zeta}^G(k) + P_{\zeta}^{NG}(k) \quad (6)$$

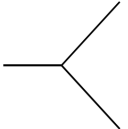
$$P_{\zeta}^G(k) = \mathcal{A} \cdot \exp \left[ -\frac{\ln^2(k/k_*)}{2\sigma^2} \right]$$

$$P_{\zeta}^{NG}(k) = 2f_{NL}^2 \int \frac{dp}{p} \frac{d\Omega}{4\pi} \frac{k^3}{|\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{p}|^3} P_{\zeta}^G(p) P_{\zeta}^G(|\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{p}|) \quad (7)$$

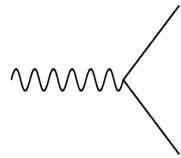
- Effects of NG :Scalar modes peak at a larger frequency, more contraction due to more legs, wider signal due to convolution

# Effects of NG and Contractions of Four Point Function

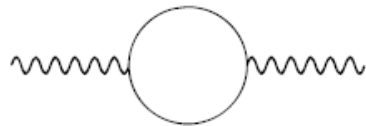
$$\Omega_{GW} \propto P_{hind} \propto \left( \int d\tau G \cdot \mathcal{S} \right)^2 \propto \int d^3p \int d^3q \langle \underbrace{\zeta_p \zeta_{k-p} \zeta_q \zeta_{k'-q}}_{(\zeta_G + f_{NL}\zeta_G^2)^4} \rangle$$

$$= \Omega_{GW}^G + \Omega_{GW}^{NG}$$

(8)

## Contractions



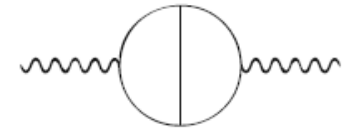
- $\mathcal{O}(f_{NL}^0)$



- $\mathcal{O}(f_{NL}^2)$

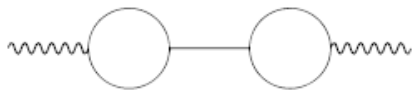
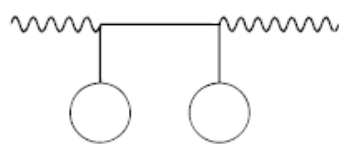
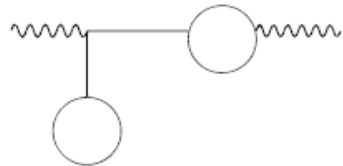


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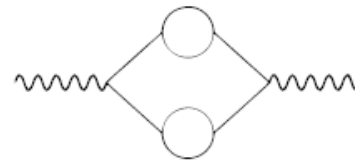


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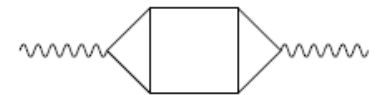
- Contractions vanishing due to zero momentum propagator or symmetry



- $\mathcal{O}(f_{NL}^4)$



reducible



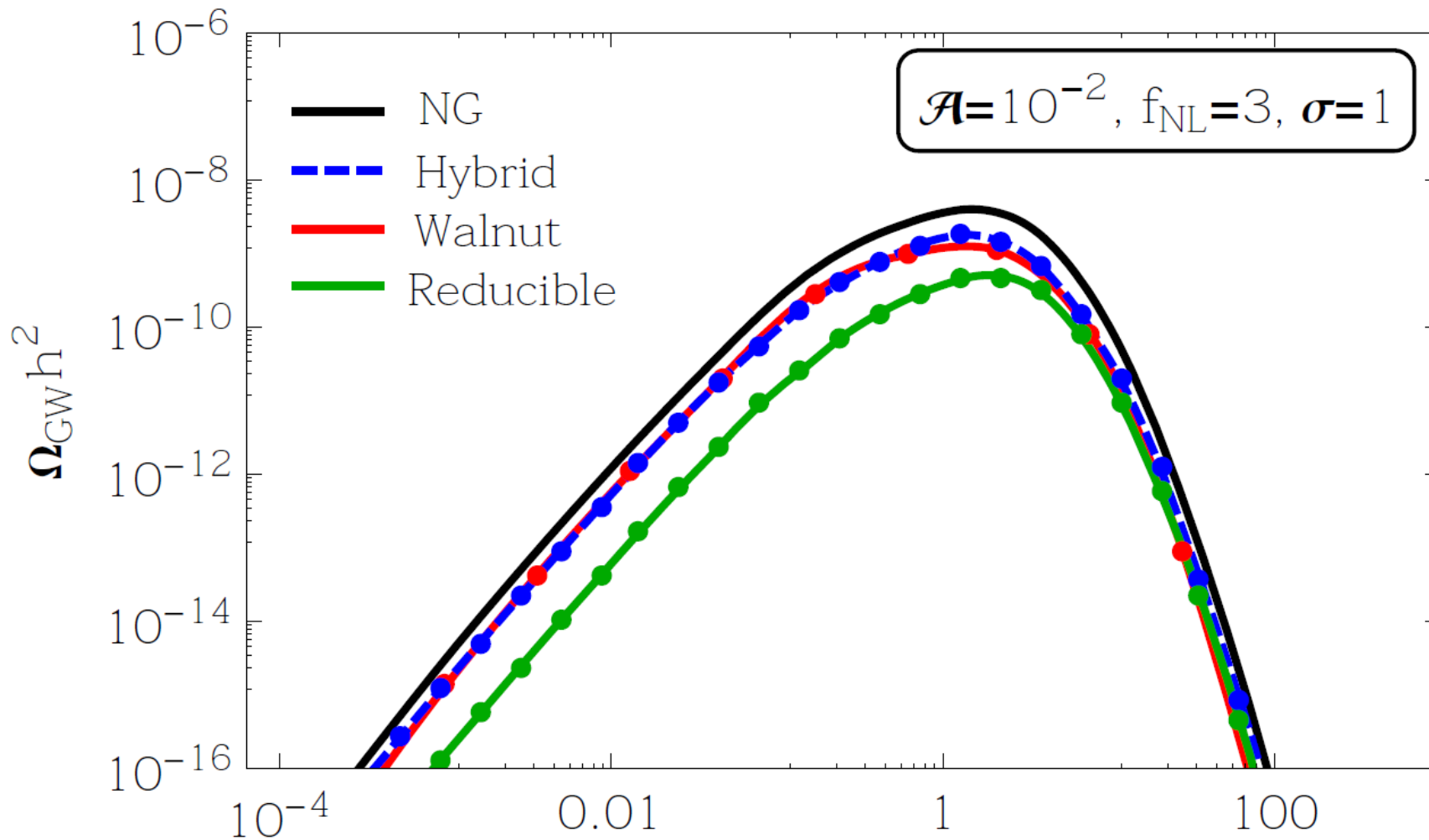
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Non-planar

# Results ( $\sigma \sim \Delta N_{peak} = 1$ )

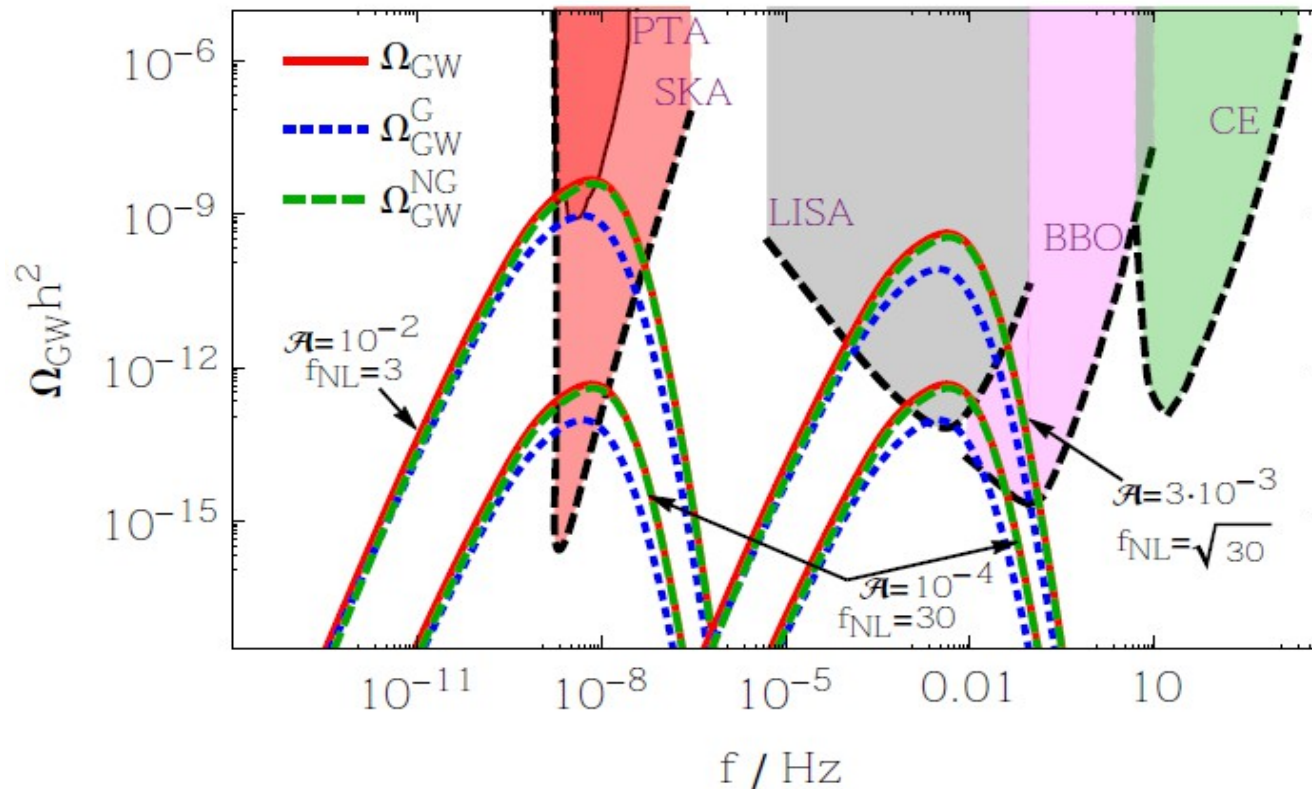
Unal '18 <sup>1</sup>



<sup>1</sup>Large  $f_{\text{NL}}$  limit has been studied by Nakama etal '16, Garcia-Bellido etal '17, Cai etal '18 (+Unal)

# Results ( $\sigma \sim \Delta N_{peak} = 1$ )

$\Omega_{GW}^{NG}$  peaks at larger freq + wider + larger amplitude Unal '18



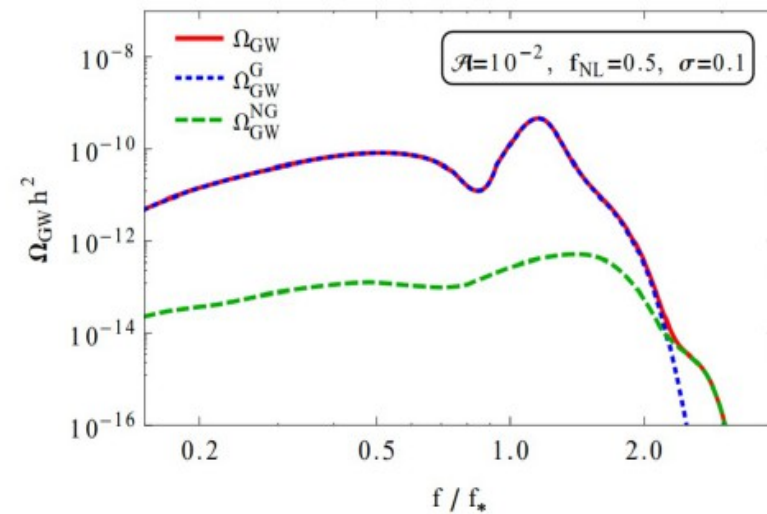
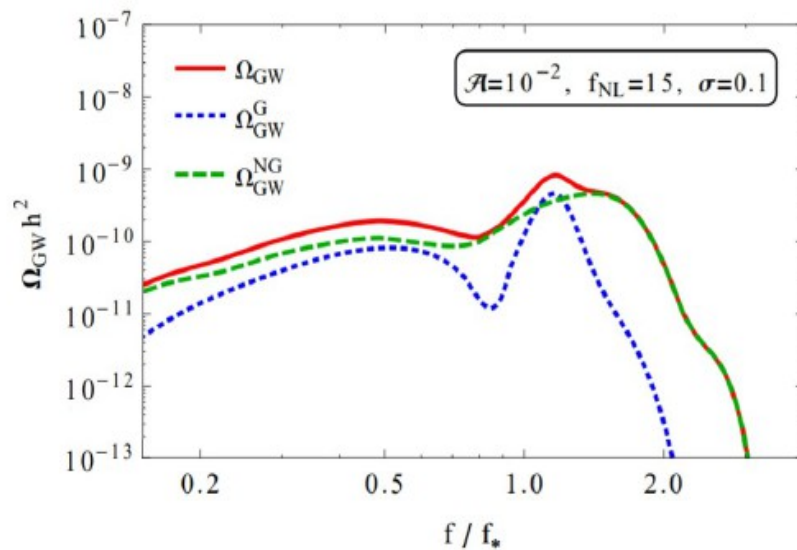
Larger signals produce  $\rho_{PBH} \simeq \rho_{DM}$  ( $f_{PTA} \rightarrow 10 M_{\odot}$  and  $f_{LISA} \rightarrow 10^{-12} M_{\odot}$ )

# Observational Signatures for Narrow Spectra

S1: A not-well-resolved double peaks.

S2: A bump in UV tail even if NG component of GW spectrum is completely subdominant

Unal '18



# Summary

- Enhanced small scale perturbations (usually contain NG component) lead PBH and induced GWs
- GW spectrum (2-pt function) can probe the statistical properties of the small scales of inflation and indirectly effective operators
- With PTA and LISA sensitivity,  $f_{NL} \sim 0.5$  possible
- Interesting coincidence: two future most powerful interferometers will probe the mass range for PBH allowing them to be DM(still under debate)