

# GWs from Bremsstrahlung, Scattering and Decay

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# First One Hour...

...was on the blackboard

# Bremsstrahlung GWs

$$\omega_{\text{GW}} h^2 \approx 10^{-19} \left( \frac{m}{10^{13} \text{ GeV}} \right) \left( \frac{T_{\text{rh}}}{10^{13} \text{ GeV}} \right) \left( \frac{f}{10^9 \text{ Hz}} \right)$$

Peak frequency  $f_{\text{peak}} \approx \frac{m}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{a_{\text{rh}}}{a_0} \approx 10^{10} \left( \frac{m}{10^{13} \text{ GeV}} \right) \left( \frac{T_{\text{rh}}}{10^{13} \text{ GeV}} \right) \text{ Hz}$

At the peak:  $\omega_{\text{GW}} \approx \left( \frac{m}{10^{13} \text{ GeV}} \right)^2$

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# Probing Reheating with Bremsstrahlung GWs

If null signal at a frequency  $\hat{\omega} \sim 10^{13}$  GeV with a specific  $\dot{T}_{rh}$  less likely

# In aton Scattering and Decay

In aton scattering with decay product

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{2}{g} \frac{2}{g} \\
 \vdots \\
 \frac{3}{4} \frac{2 T^4}{M_P^2 m^3} \\
 \vdots \\
 \frac{y^2}{48} \frac{m T^2}{M_P^2}
 \end{array}
 F' \quad \hat{O} \quad \begin{array}{c}
 \frac{2}{g} \frac{2}{g} \\
 \vdots \\
 \frac{1}{g} \frac{3}{g} \frac{\check{S}_T^4}{m} \\
 \vdots \\
 \frac{\check{S}_T^2}{m}
 \end{array}
 F'$$

In aton decays

$$\frac{1}{g} \frac{2}{g} \frac{3 m^3}{2048 M_P^4}$$

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# Pure In aton Scattering

In aton In aton

$$\frac{2}{9} \frac{2}{m} \frac{m^2}{32 M_p^4} \frac{m}{32 M_p^4}$$

[Choi, Ke, Olive, [2402.04310](#)]

[See talk by Wenqi Ke on July 18]

# A Systematic Comparison among Four Sources

Left  $m$   $A T_{rh}: 1$  3 Bremsstrahlung typically dominates before the peak

Right  $m$   $\beta T_{rh}: 2$  2 in aton scattering with the decay product can dominate

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# Summary and Outlook

## Summary

Bremsstrahlung typically dominates the spectrum (unless  $m \ll T_{\text{rh}}$ )

$$\omega_{\text{GW}}^2 \sim 10^{19} \left( \frac{m}{10^{13} \text{ GeV}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{T_{\text{rh}}}{10^{13} \text{ GeV}} \right) \left( \frac{f}{10^9 \text{ Hz}} \right)$$

$$f_{\text{peak}} \sim 10^{10} \left( \frac{m}{10^{13} \text{ GeV}} \right) \left( \frac{10^{13} \text{ GeV}}{T_{\text{rh}}} \right) \text{ Hz}$$

Probing reheating via Bremsstrahlung

## Outlook

Beyond Einstein-Hilbert, e.g. including  $R^2$

$$\frac{1}{M_{\text{P}}} T^2 h^2 \sim \frac{1}{M_{\text{P}}} T^2 h^2 \hat{O}(\text{enhancement??})$$

## Question:

How to detect high frequency GWs?

Thanks for your attention!



Inflaton scattering with decay product

$$\Omega_{\text{GW}}^2 h^2(f)$$

$$2 \cdot 10^{-18} \frac{1}{10^{11} \text{ GeV}}^2 \frac{T_{\text{rh}}}{10^{13} \text{ GeV}}^3 \frac{10^{13} \text{ GeV}}{m}^4 \frac{f}{10^9 \text{ Hz}}$$

$$5 \cdot 10^{-21} \frac{y}{10^{-2}}^2 \frac{T_{\text{rh}}}{10^{13} \text{ GeV}}^{\frac{7}{4}} \frac{10^{13} \text{ GeV}}{m}^{\frac{3}{4}} \frac{f}{10^9 \text{ Hz}}^{\frac{7}{4}}$$

Inflaton Decay

$$\Omega_{\text{GW}}^1 h^2(f) \quad 4 \cdot 10^{-34} \frac{1}{10^{11} \text{ GeV}}^2 \frac{T_{\text{rh}}}{10^{13} \text{ GeV}}^{1 \cdot 2} \frac{m}{10^{13} \text{ GeV}}^{1 \cdot 2} \frac{f}{10^9 \text{ Hz}}^{5 \cdot 2}$$

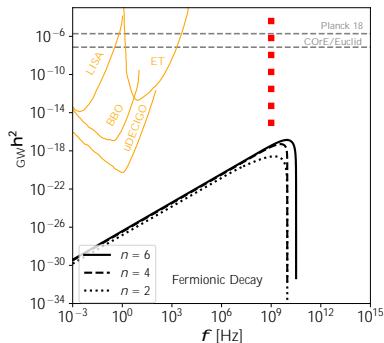
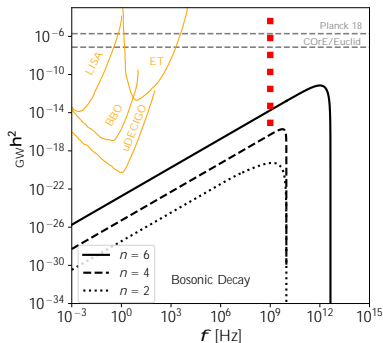
Inflaton Inflaton Scattering

$$\Omega_{\text{GW}}^2 h^2(f) \quad 3 \cdot 10^{-22} \frac{T_{\text{rh}}}{10^{13} \text{ GeV}}^{3 \cdot 2} \frac{m}{10^{13} \text{ GeV}}^{3 \cdot 2} \frac{10^9 \text{ Hz}}{f}^{1 \cdot 2}$$

# What if $n$ with $n > 2$ ?

Bosonic:  $\Gamma \propto \frac{2}{8m}$  with  $m \propto V$

$n-2$  Fermionic:  $\Gamma \propto \frac{y^2 m}{8}$



GW amplitude larger in bosonic decay for  $n > 2$  with  $V \propto R^n$

$$\Omega_{\text{GW}}(f) \propto \frac{d(\Omega_{\text{GW}} R)}{d \ln f}$$