

# Quintessence and Gravitational Waves

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# + Gravitational waves

- Linearized wave equation

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} = \frac{8\pi}{M_{pl}^2} T_{\mu\nu} \longrightarrow \partial_\alpha \partial^\alpha h_{\mu\nu} = \frac{16\pi}{M_{pl}^2} T_{\mu\nu}$$

- GW couples to matter weakly

- Propagate freely
- Hard to detect

- Sources of GW (coordinated motion of huge mass)

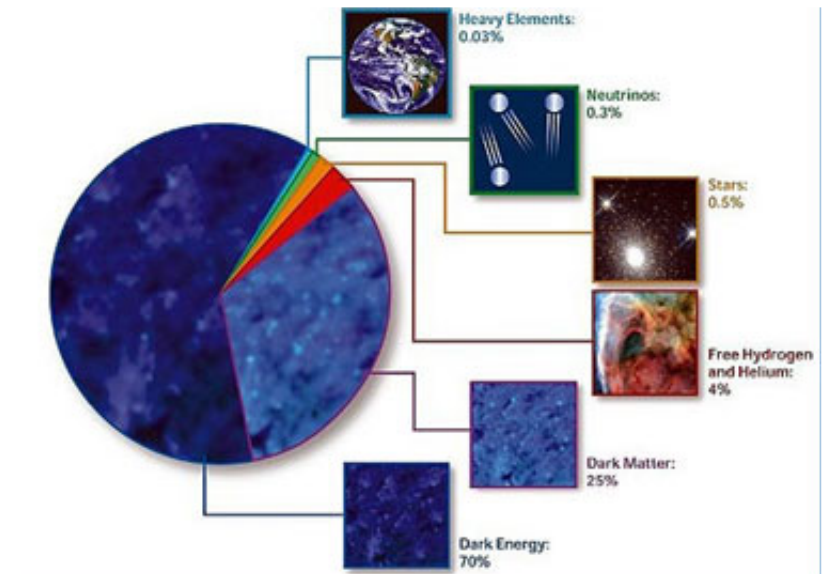
- Binary rotating stars, supernovae...
- **First order phase transition (e.g. electroweak PT), by bubble collision and turbulence**

- **If some unknown energy exist during EWPT, how would the GW spectrum change?**

# + Quintessence

## ■ Dark Energy could be...

- Static?      Cosmological constant :  $\Lambda$
- Dynamic?    Quintessence



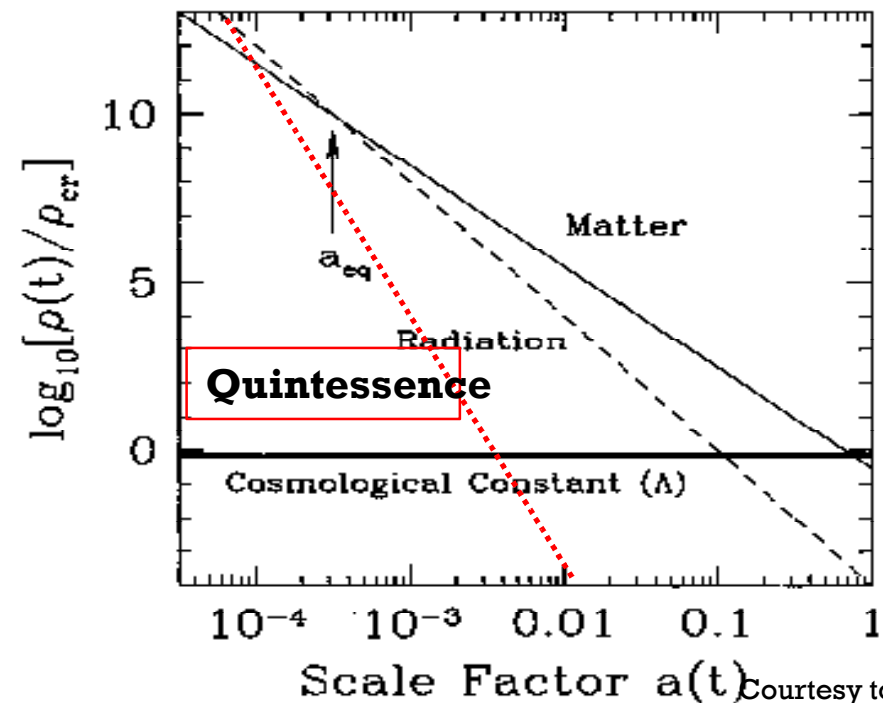
## ■ Quintessence

- Scalar field
- Couples to matter by gravity

If kination domination[1]

- Dilutes faster
- Dominate in the past

$$\rho \propto \frac{1}{a^6}$$



Courtesy to Scott Dodelson's Modern Cosmology

[1] Daniel J.H. Chung et. al. *Connecting LHC, ILC, and Quintessence*. JHEP 0710:016,2007.



# Literature review: Bubble Collision

## ■ How to describe bubble nucleation?

- Universe cools down
  - > nucleation start
  - > nucleate faster and faster as T drops

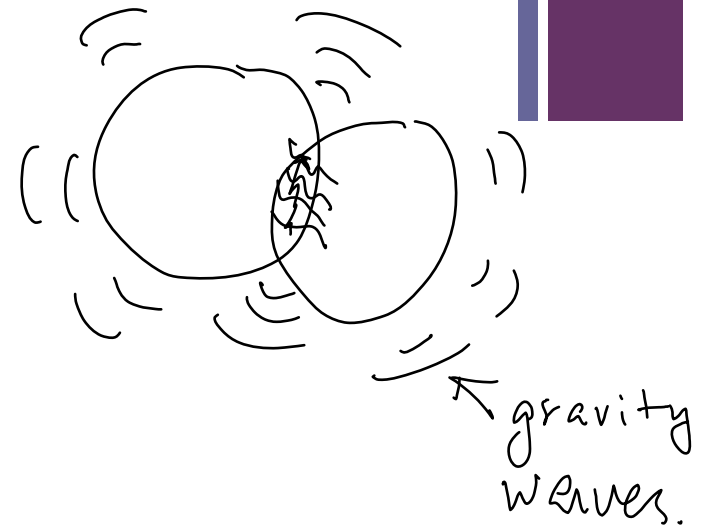
$$\Gamma \propto \exp \left[ \left( -S_*^{(3)} - (t - t_*) \frac{dS_*^{(3)}}{dt} \Big|_{t_*} \right) / T \right]$$

## ■ How to describe one bubble's growth[1]?

- Bubble wall velocity  $V_w$
- Interior fluid motion and temperature

## ■ How to describe two bubbles collision?

- Simulation[2]: Thin-wall approximation, envelope approximation
- Analytic method[3]:  
velocity correlator  $\langle vvvv \rangle \rightarrow$  stress tensor correlator  $\langle TT \rangle \rightarrow$  GW's energy tensor



[1] Paul Steinhardt, *Relativistic Detonation waves and bubble growth in false vacuum decay*. PRD V25 #8

[2] Kamionkowski, Arthur Kosowsky, Michael S. Turner, *Gravitational radiation from first order phase transitions*. Phys.Rev.D49:2837-2851,1994

[3] Chiara Caprini, Ruth Durrer, Geraldine Servant *Gravitational wave generation from bubble collisions in first-order phase transitions: An analytic approach* Phys.Rev.D77:124015,2008.

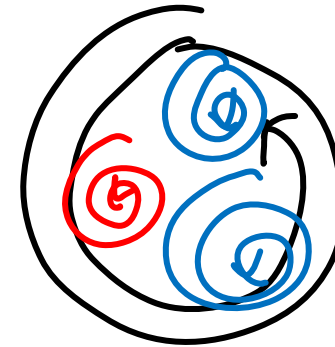
# + Literature review: Turbulence

- With quadrupole approximation for GW generation and dimension analysis for turbulence, Kamionkowski et al[1] derived:

$$\frac{d\rho_{GW}}{\rho d\log(\omega)} \sim \left(\frac{H}{\beta}\right)^2 v_b v_0^6 \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_0}\right)^{-9/2}$$

- An analytic approach by Durrer et al[2], velocity correlator  $\langle vv \rangle \rightarrow$  stress tensor correlator  $\langle TT \rangle \sim \langle vv \rangle \langle vv \rangle$

$$\frac{d\Omega_G(k, \eta_0)}{d\log(k)} \approx \frac{9}{32\pi} (\mathcal{H}_* L)^2 \left( \frac{\Omega_T^*}{\Omega_{rad}^*} \right)^2 \Omega_{rad} \times \begin{cases} x^3/v_L^2 & \text{for } 0 < x < 1 \\ x^{-2}/v_L^2 & \text{for } 1 < x < (2v_L)^3 \\ 4x^{-8/3} & \text{for } (2v_L)^3 < x < (\frac{L}{\lambda}) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



Turbulence: superposition of big and small eddies.

1. Energy injection scale
2. Energy dissipation scale
3. Energy dissipation rate

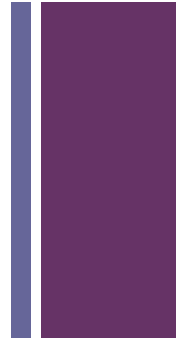
Velocity of eddy of size  $l$ :

$$v_l \sim (\epsilon l)^{1/3}$$

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[2]Chiara Caprini, Ruth Durrer *Gravitational waves from stochastic relativistic sources: Primordial turbulence and magnetic fields.* Phys.Rev.D74:063521,2006.

# + Not sure yet..



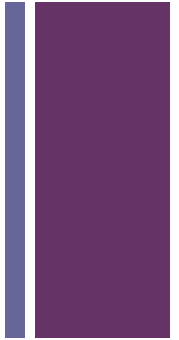
- Bubble wall velocity uncertainty due to friction (G. Moore[1])
  - Once the plasma inside the bubble gains mass, it will slow down the bubble wall velocity, breaks down the detonation scenario.
- The predicted GW spectrum is only firm in the large scale region (small  $k$  region), where the sources are evenly distributed. Regarding the peak position and the small distance region, it is still under investigation[2].
- Our result is a general statement, not sensitive to these uncertainties.

[1] G. Moore *Electroweak bubble wall friction: Analytic results*. *JHEP* 0003:006, 2000. **hep-ph/0001274**

[2] Chiara Caprini, Ruth Durrer, Thomas Konstandin, Geraldine Servant, **General Properties of the Gravitational Wave Spectrum from Phase Transitions**. **arXiv:0901.1661** [astro-ph]

# + Research Method

- Identify all the factors affecting the GW spectrum, i.e. the parametric dependence of the spectrum. And find out the key factor controlling the spectrum's peak, amplitude and shape.
- Find out how the addition of quintessence will change these parameters and the subsequently the spectrum.



# + Bubble Collision

$$\rho_{GW} \sim M_p^2 \langle \dot{h}_{ij} \dot{h}_{ij} \rangle$$

$$\rho_{GW} \sim \frac{1}{M_p^2} \left( \frac{a_*}{a} \right)^4 \left\langle \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{1}{\square} T_{ij} \right) \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{1}{\square} T_{ij} \right) \right\rangle |_{PT}$$

$\square h \sim T$

bubble kinetic E.



All uncertainties resides is here

$$\langle \tilde{T}_{ij}(t'_1, \vec{k}_1) \tilde{T}_{ij}^*(t'_2, \vec{k}_2) \rangle = (2\pi)^3 \delta^{(3)}(\vec{k}_1 - \vec{k}_2) P(k_1, t'_1, t'_2) [\rho_B^{rest} \gamma^2 v_w^2]^2$$

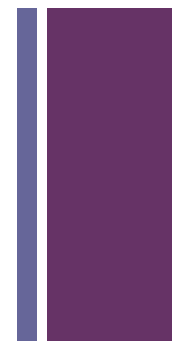
$$\frac{d\rho_{GW}}{d \ln k} \sim \frac{1}{M_p^2} \left( \frac{a_*}{a} \right)^4 [\rho_B^{rest} \gamma^2 v_w^2]^2 \int dt'_1 dt'_2 \cos[k(t'_1 - t'_2)] [k^3 P(k, t'_1, t'_2)]$$

Assume only one scale exist, the duration of PT

$$F_{k\Delta t}((t'_1 - t_*)/\Delta t, (t'_2 - t_*)/\Delta t) \equiv k^3 P(k, t'_1, t'_2).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\rho_{GW}}{d \ln k} &\sim \frac{1}{M_p^2} \left( \frac{a_*}{a} \right)^4 [\rho_B^{rest} \gamma^2 v_w^2]^2 \int dt'_1 dt'_2 \cos[k(t'_1 - t'_2)] F_{k\Delta t}((t'_1 - t_*)/\Delta t, (t'_2 - t_*)/\Delta t) \\ &= \underbrace{\frac{1}{M_p^2} \left( \frac{a_*}{a} \right)^4 [\rho_B^{rest} \gamma^2 v_w^2]^2 (\Delta t)^2}_{\text{magnitude}} \underbrace{\int dq'_1 dq'_2 \cos[k\Delta t(q'_1 - q'_2)] F_{k\Delta t}(q'_1, q'_2)}_{\text{shape}} \end{aligned}$$





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$$\frac{1}{M_p^2} \left( \frac{a_*}{a} \right)^4 [\rho_B^{rest} \gamma^2 v_w^2]^2 (\Delta t / \xi)^2 \int dq'_1 dq'_2 \cos[k \Delta t (q'_1 - q'_2) / \xi] F_{k \Delta t / \xi}(q'_1, q'_2)$$

$$\frac{d\rho_{GW}(k)}{d \ln k} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\xi^2} \frac{d\rho_{GW}(k/\xi)}{d \ln k}.$$

# + Turbulence

- comparable contribution as bubble collision
- Same parametric dependence on Hubble expansion rate.
- Turbulence has a new scale, the dissipation scale, but it only affect the GW spectrum's cut-off frequency. So previous conclusion still holds.

## Detonation (from Durrer's model)

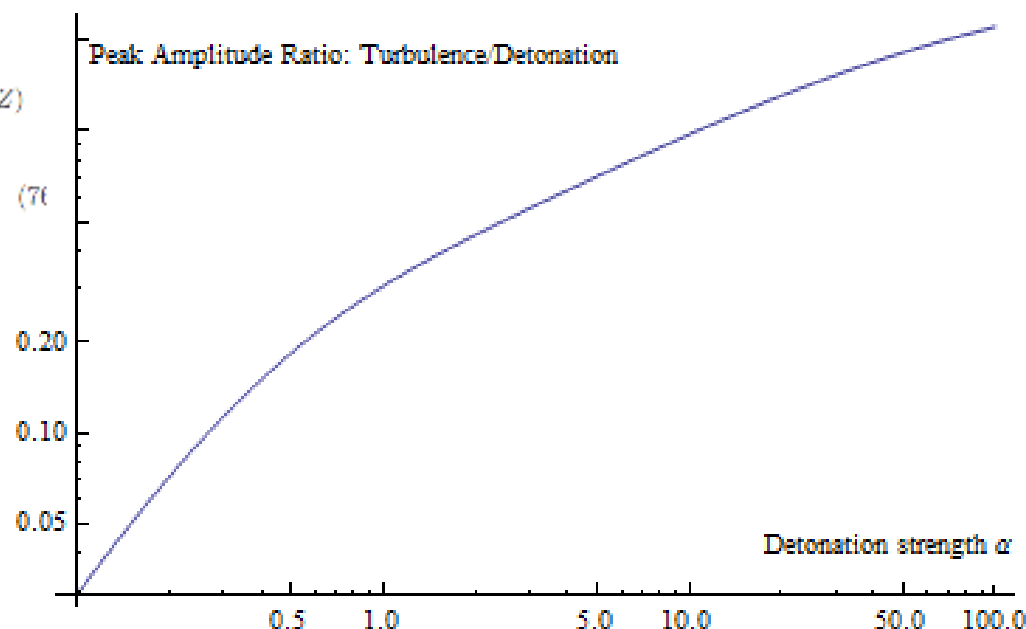
$$\left. \frac{d\Omega(k, \eta_0) h^2}{d \ln k} \right|_{\text{deton}} \sim \frac{3}{2\pi^3} \left( \frac{g_0}{g_*} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \Omega_{\text{rad}} h^2 \left( \frac{\Omega_{\text{icm}}^*}{\Omega_{\text{rad}}^*} \right)^2 \left( \frac{\mathcal{H}_*}{\beta} \right)^2 \frac{(1-s^3)^2}{s^4} \times \text{int}_{\text{deton}}(Z)$$

$$\text{here } \text{int}_{\text{deton}}(Z) = \frac{0.21 \left( \frac{Z}{Z_m} \right)^3}{1 + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{Z}{Z_m} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{Z}{Z_m} \right)^{4.8}}, \quad Z_m = 3.8.$$

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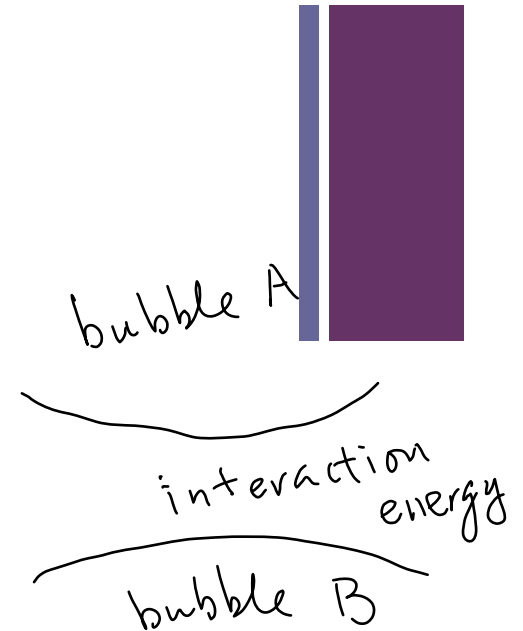
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# + Interaction between bubbles

- So far we have approximating
  - No interaction between bubble before they collide
  - Only true for vacuum case, when bubble wall velocity=c
- If we consider interaction between bubble walls
  - exchange Z boson would give the dominant contribution.
  - But that contribution to stress tensor turns out to be negligible compared with bubble wall's stress tensor.

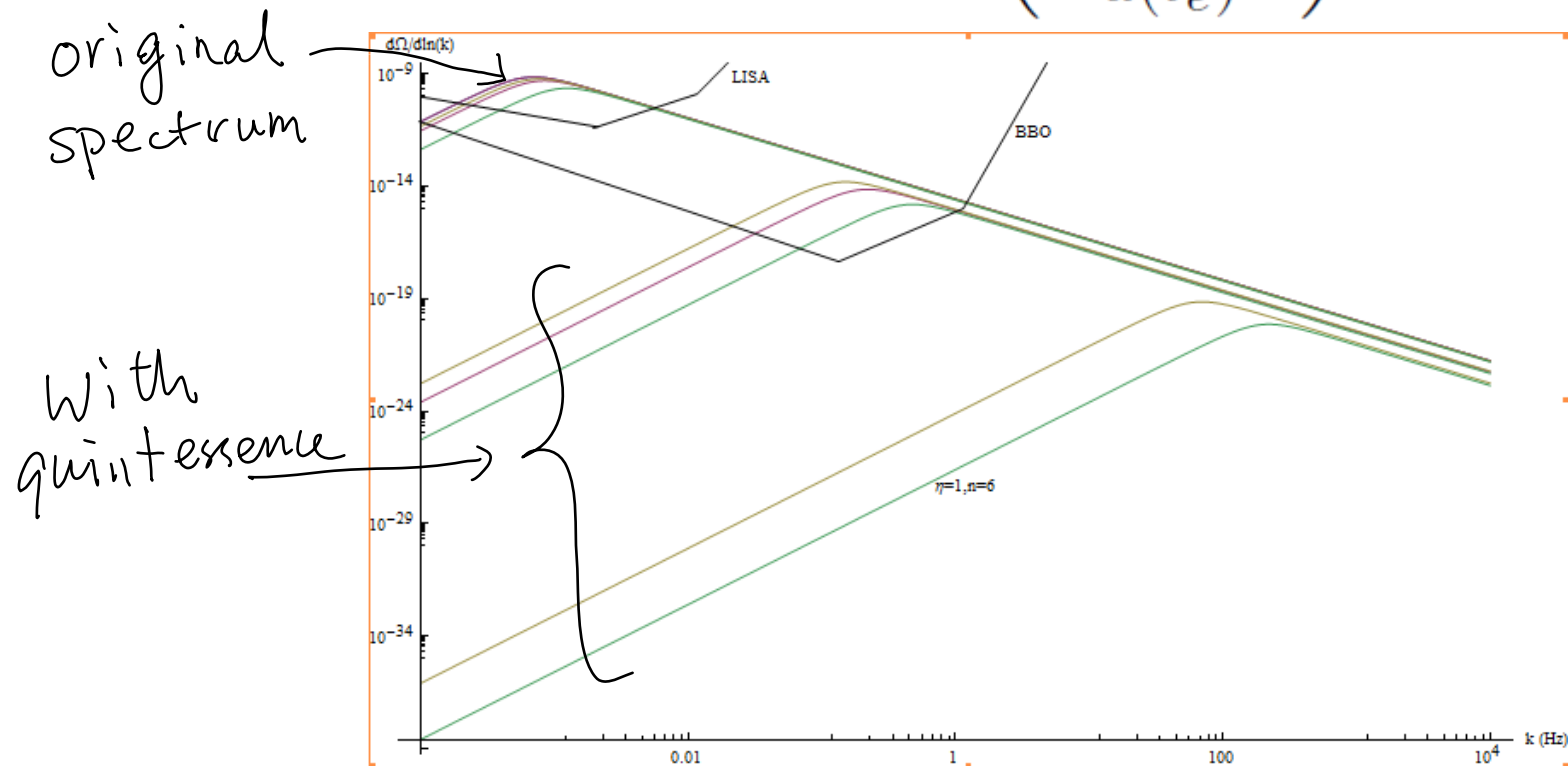


Interaction Energy  $\ll$  Fluid energy

# + Our result

- Parametrize the quintessence's amplitude and evolution behavior as

$$\rho_q(t_e) = \rho_\gamma(t_{BBN}) \eta \left( \frac{a(t_{BBN})}{a(t_e)} \right)^{n_q}$$



## + Summary

- The addition of quintessence will not alter the plasma's energy density, pressure or temperature.
- Quintessence will accelerate the expansion rate of universe then, make the universe cool down faster, thus shortening the phase transition duration
- Quintessence will shift the peak of the spectrum and lower the amplitude according to

$$\frac{d\rho_{GW}(k)}{d\ln k} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\xi^2} \frac{d\rho_{GW}(k/\xi)}{d\ln k}.$$