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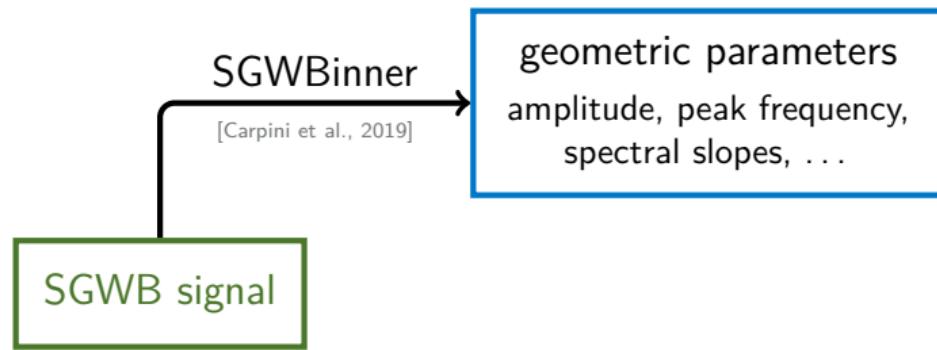
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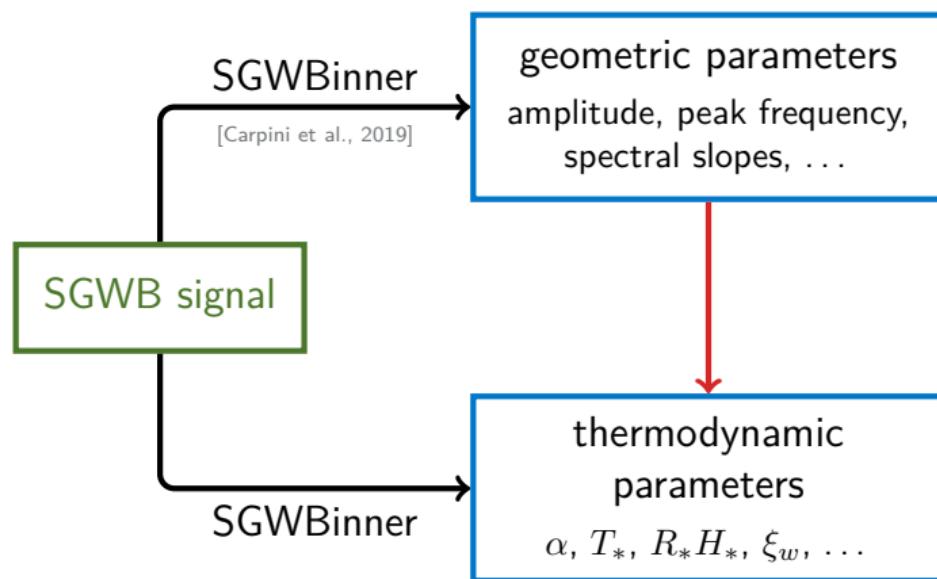
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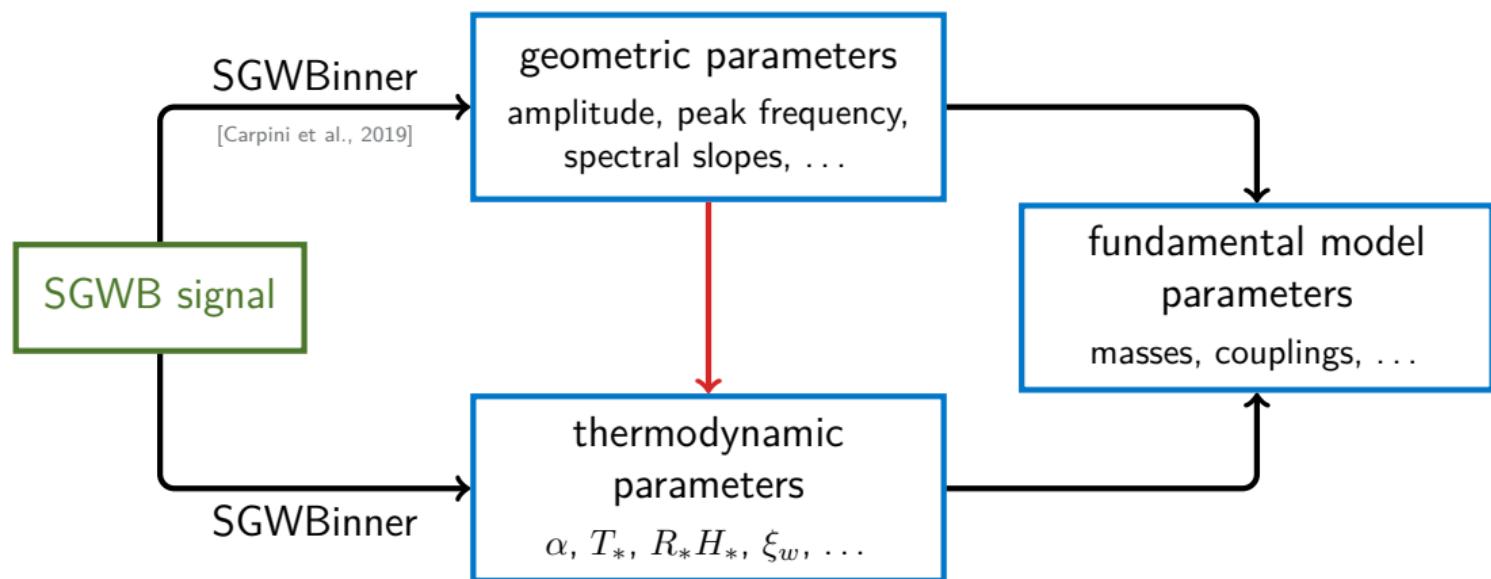
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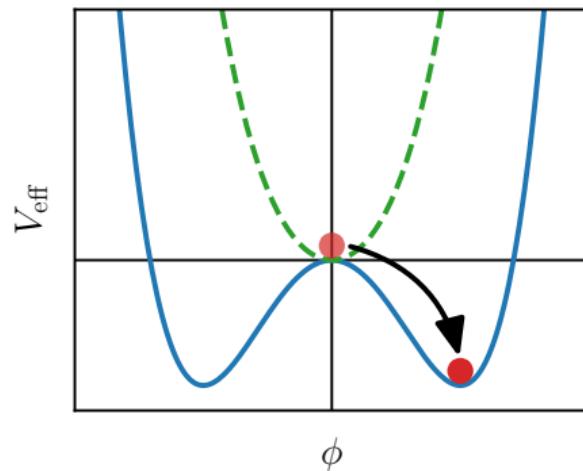


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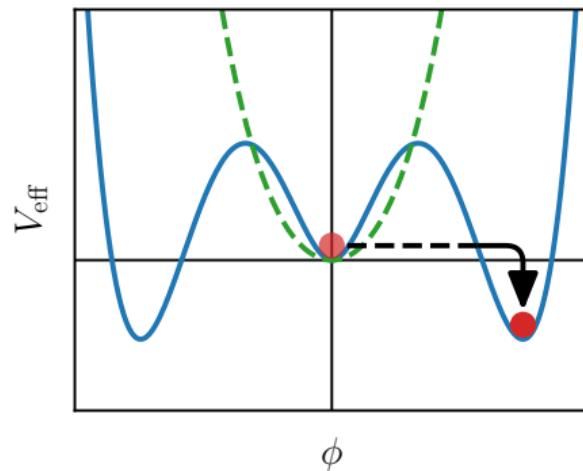
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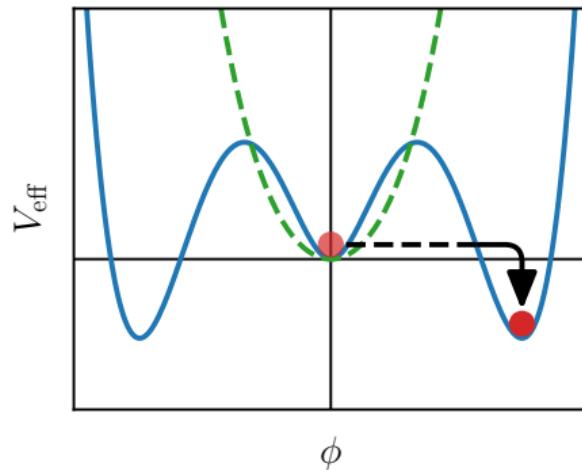
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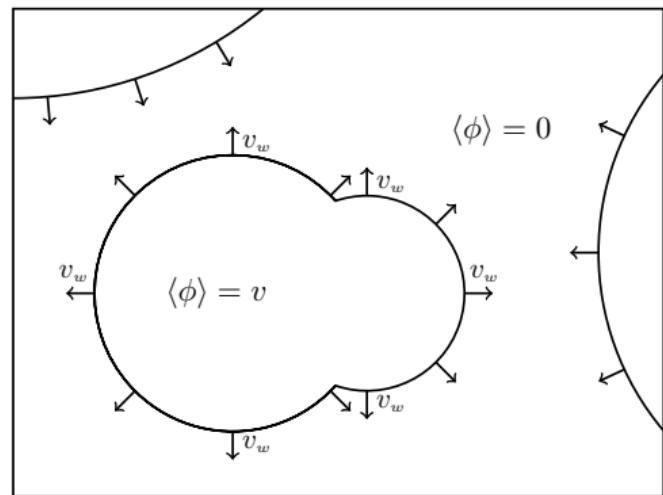
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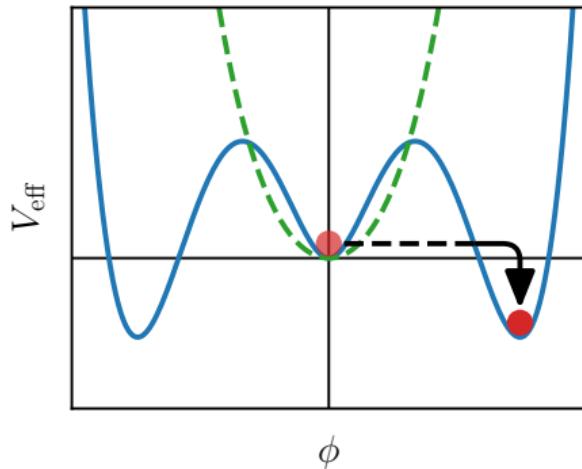
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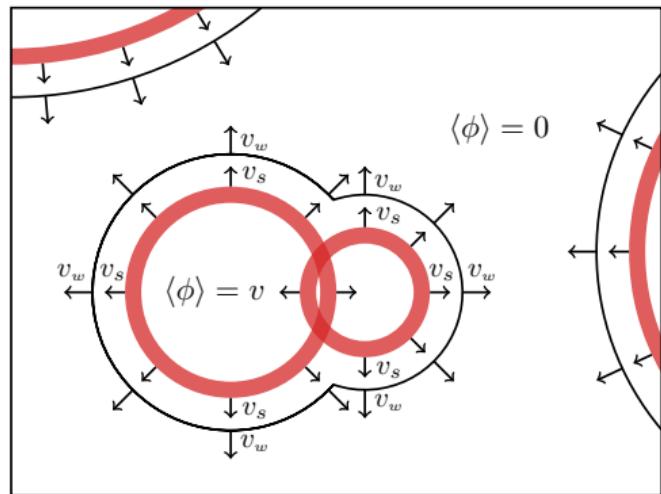
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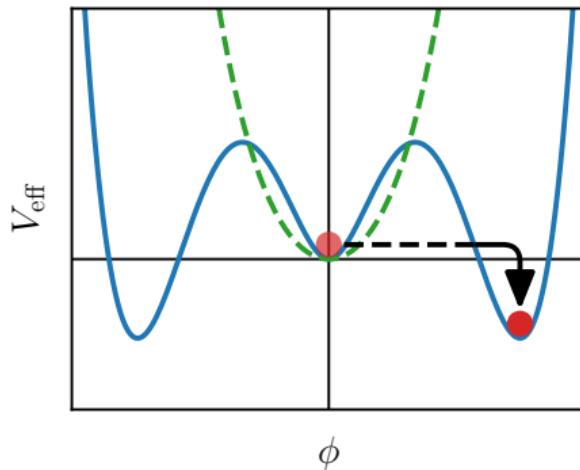
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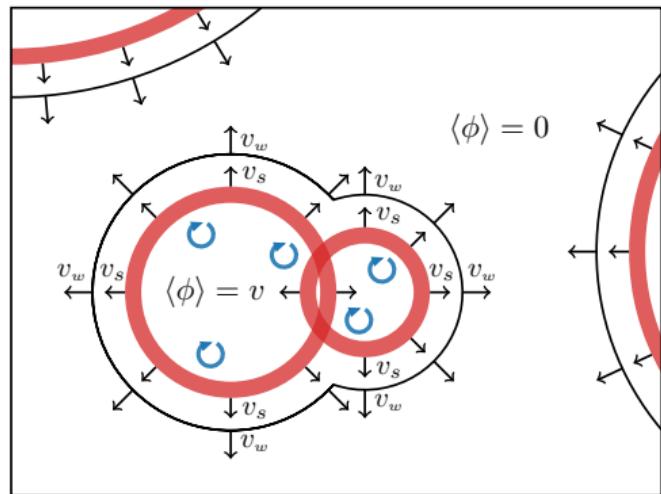
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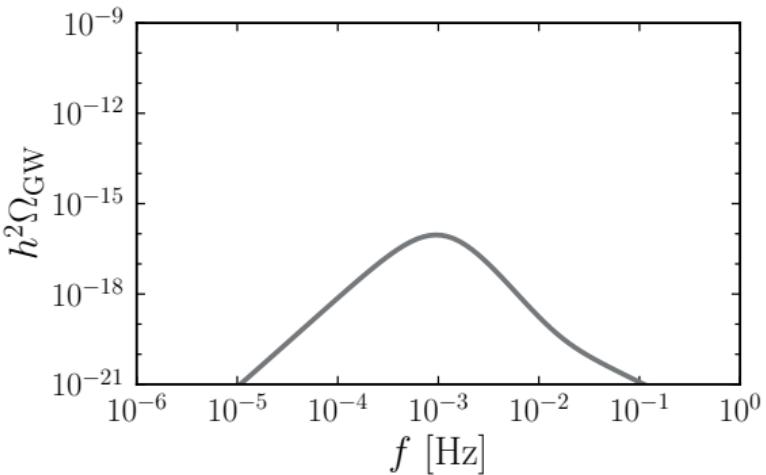
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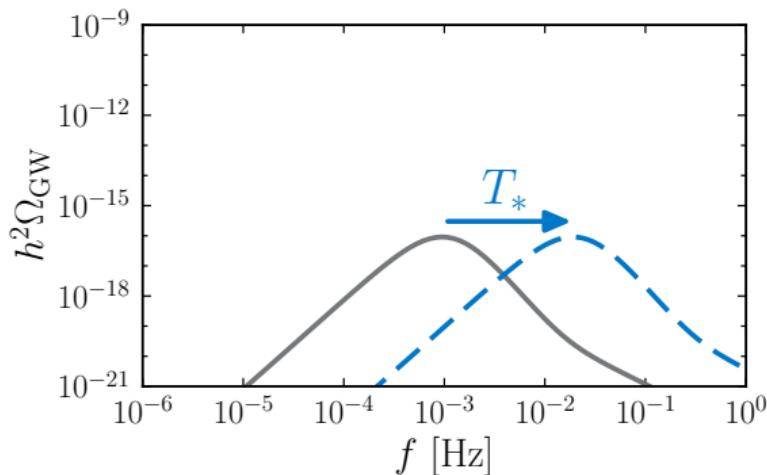


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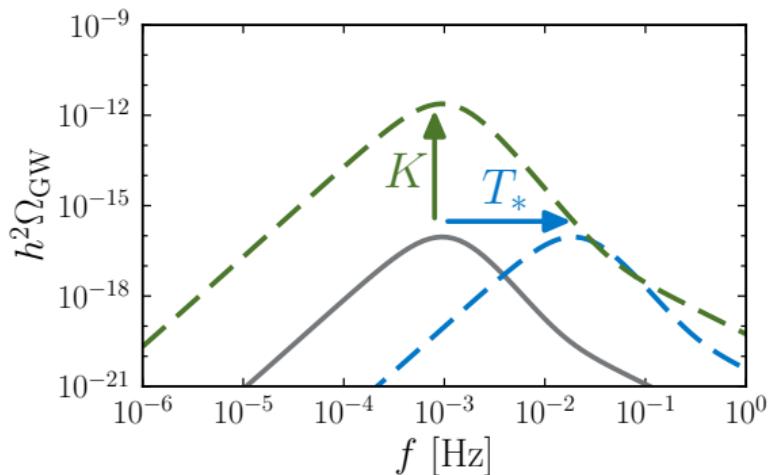
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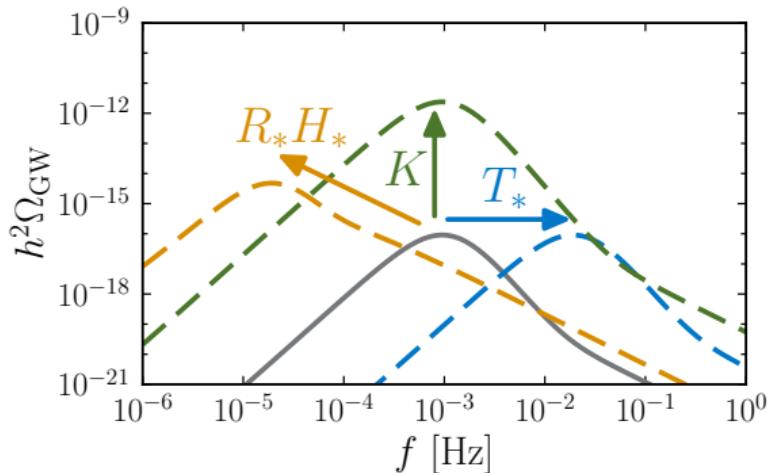
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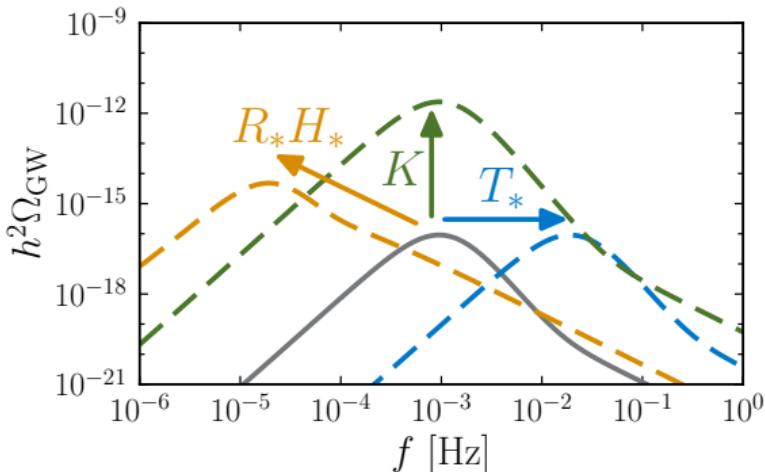
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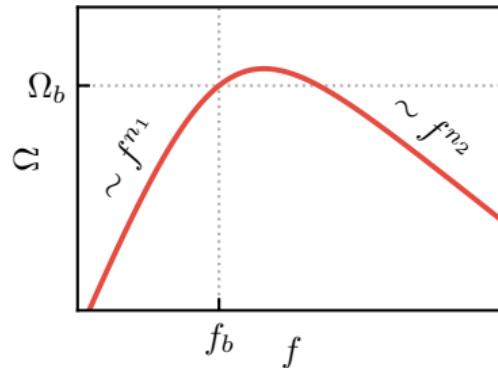
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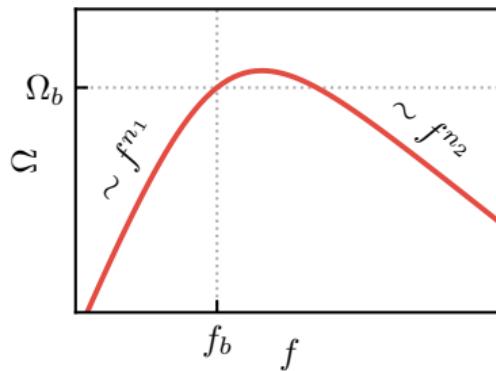
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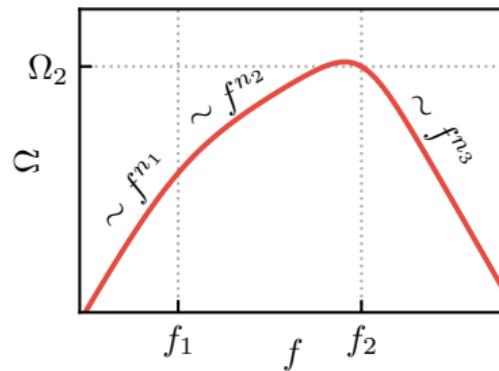
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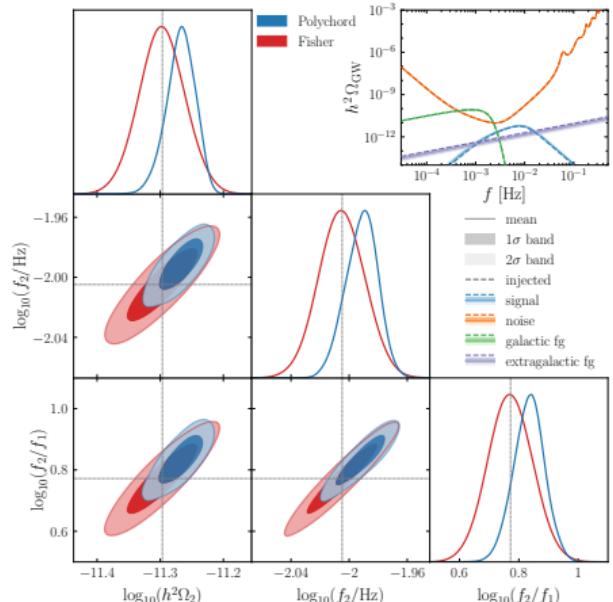
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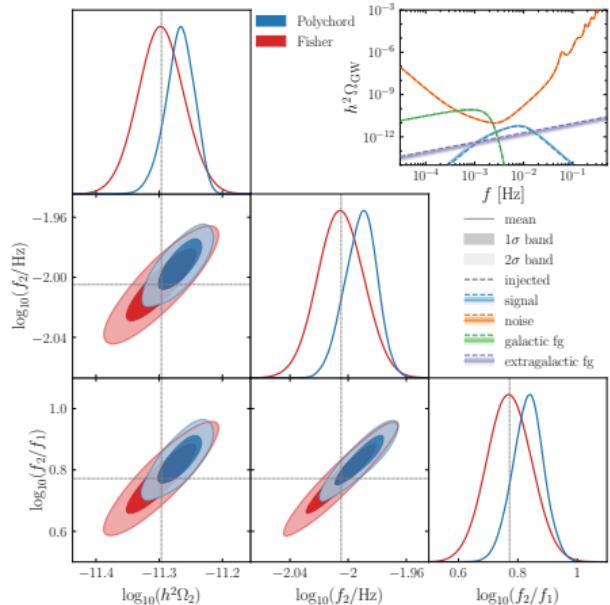
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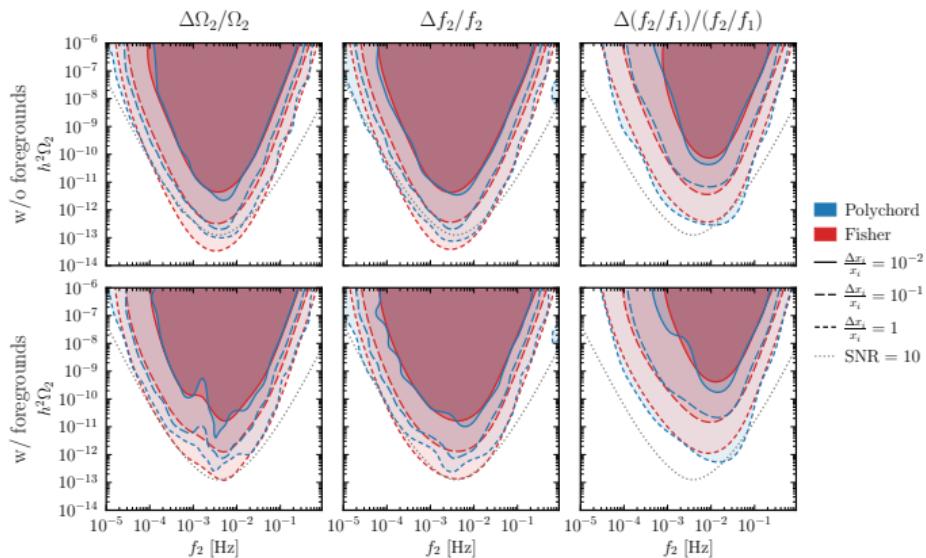


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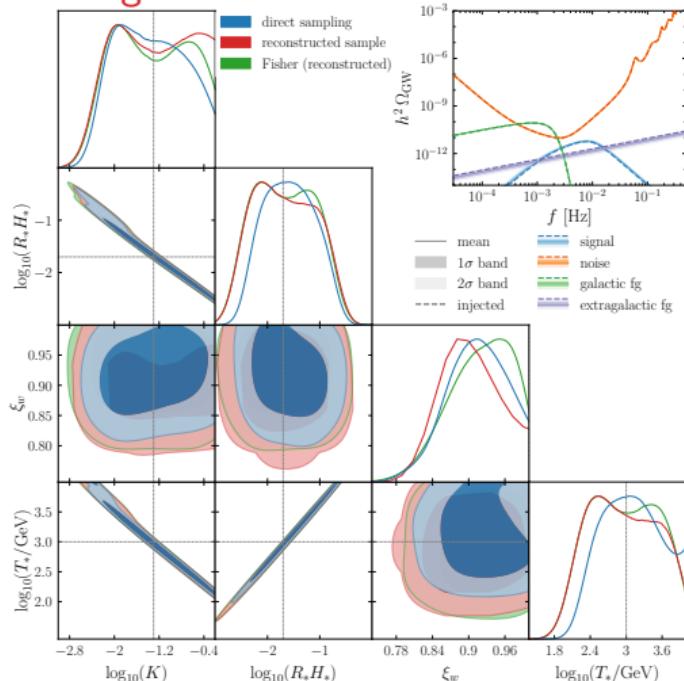
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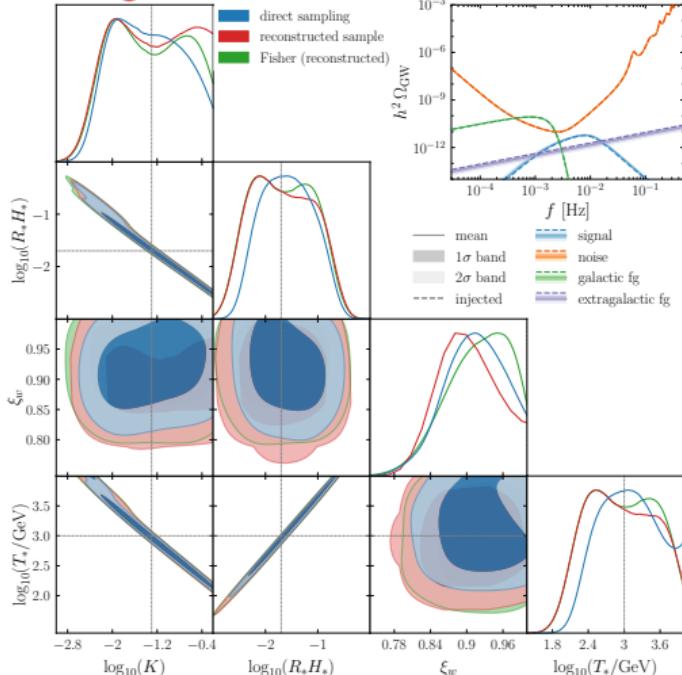
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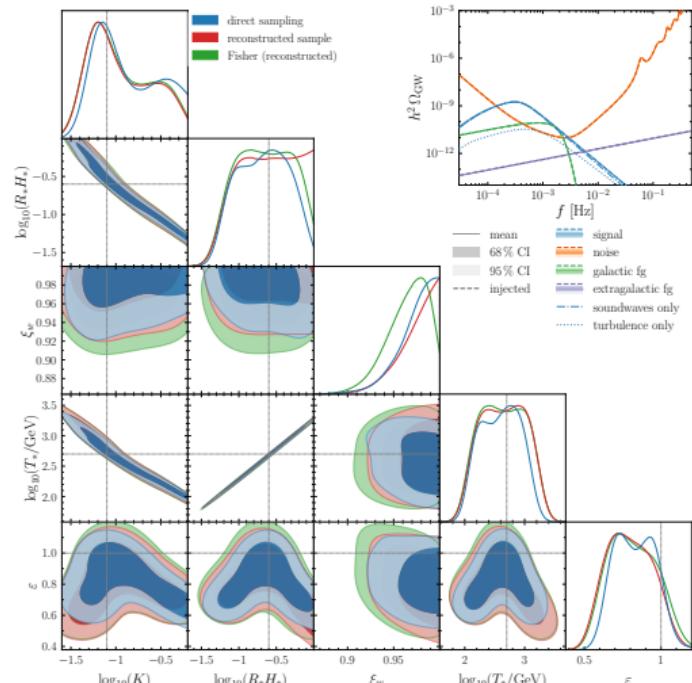


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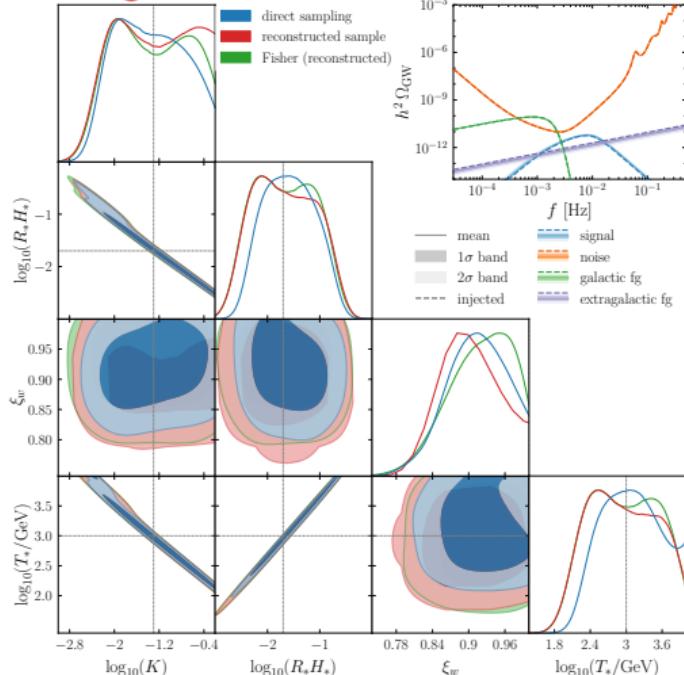
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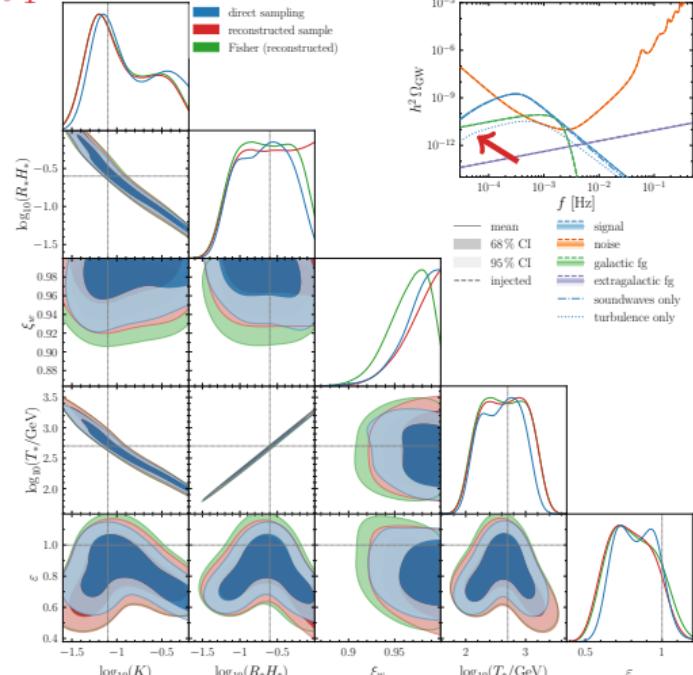
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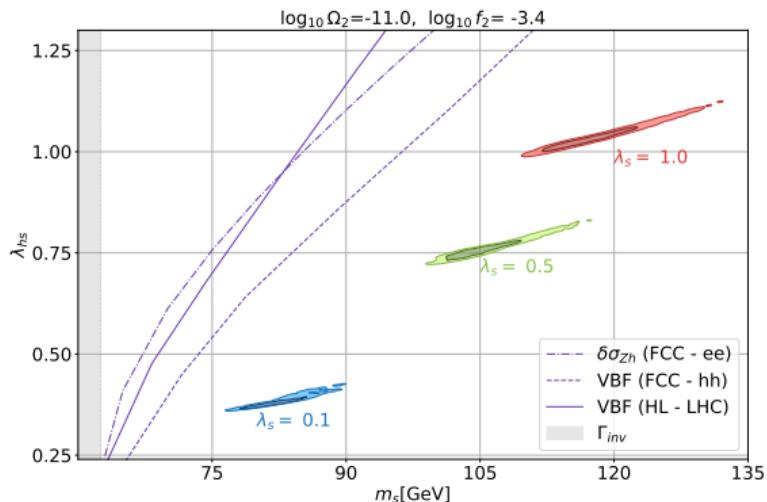
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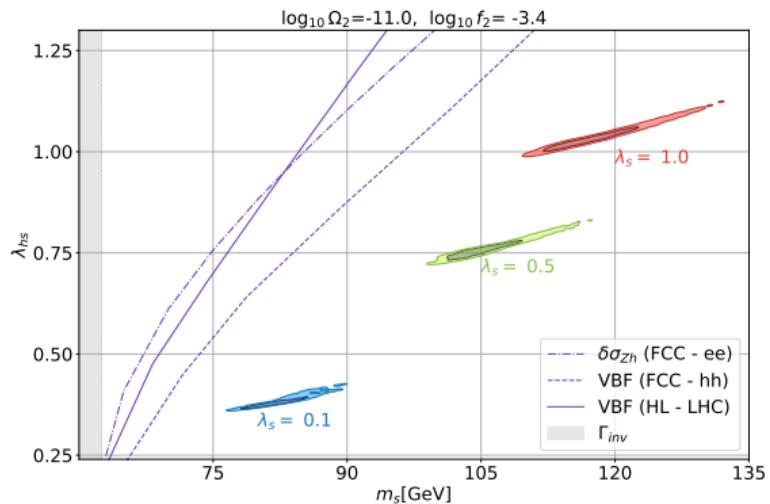


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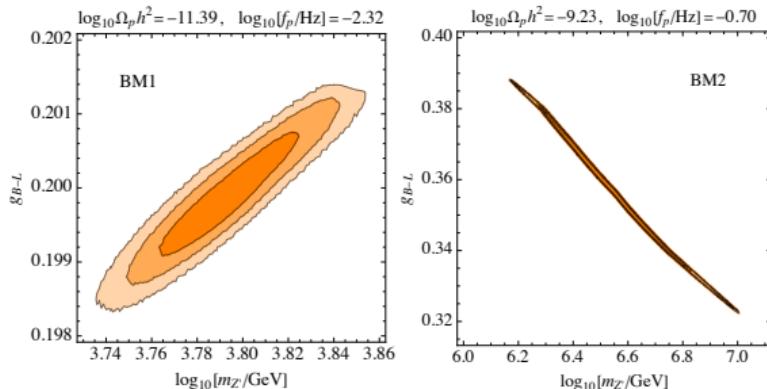
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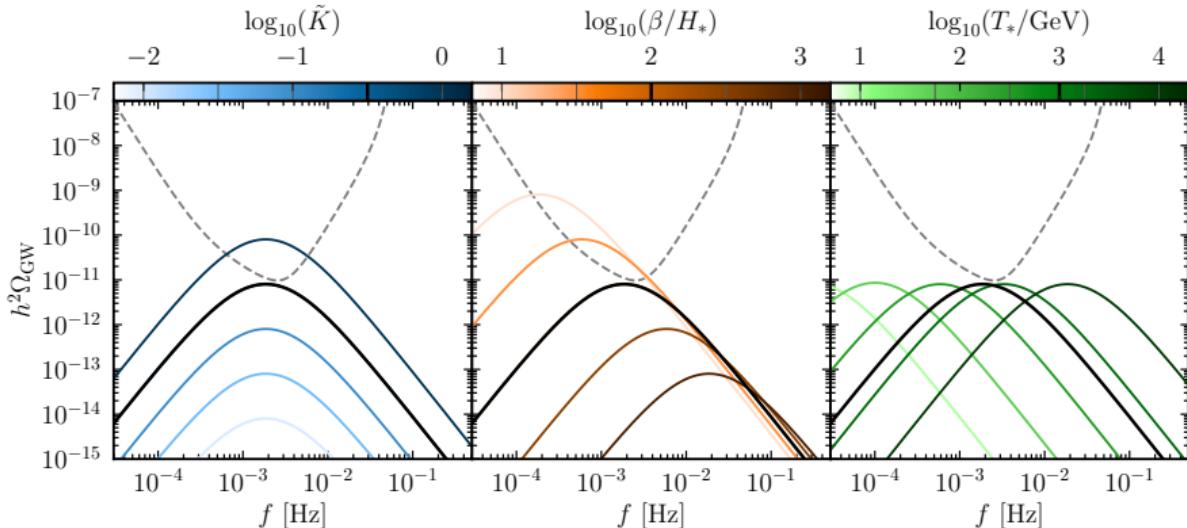
Very strong transitions ($\alpha \gg 1$)

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GWs from **vacuum bubble collisions** or **highly relativistic fluid shells**

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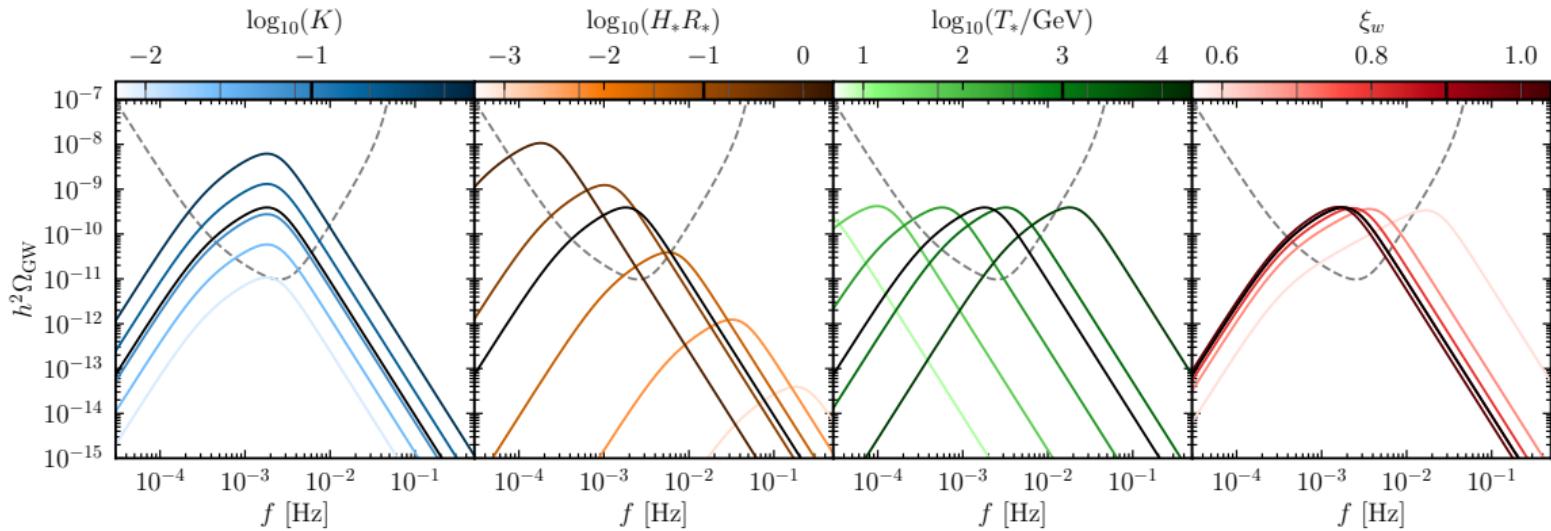


Sound waves

Hindmarsh et al., 2013, 2015, 2017;
Cutting, Hindmarsh & Weir, 2020; Hindmarsh & Hijazi, 2019;
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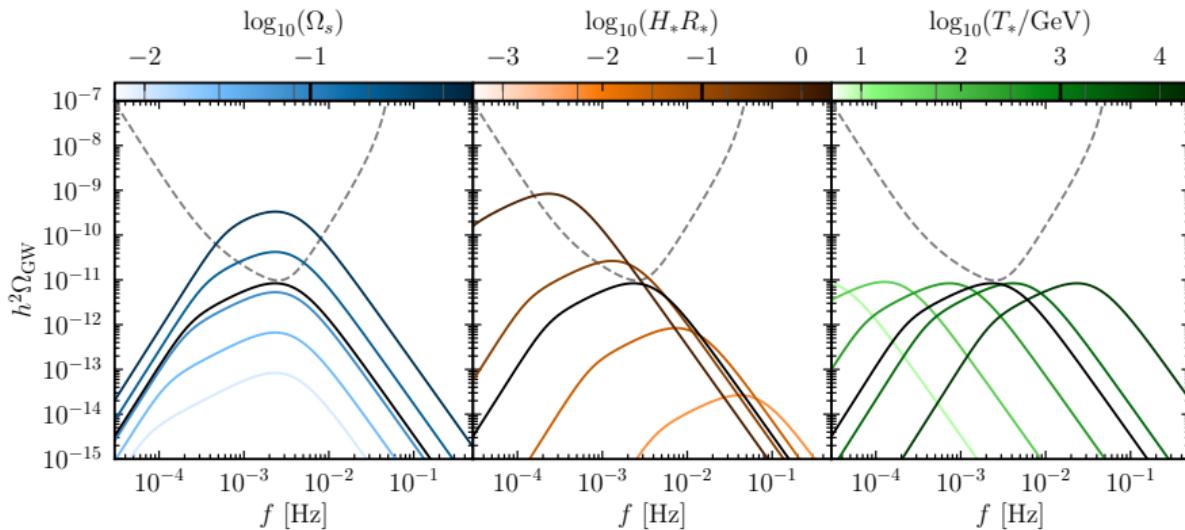
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Magnetohydrodynamic turbulence

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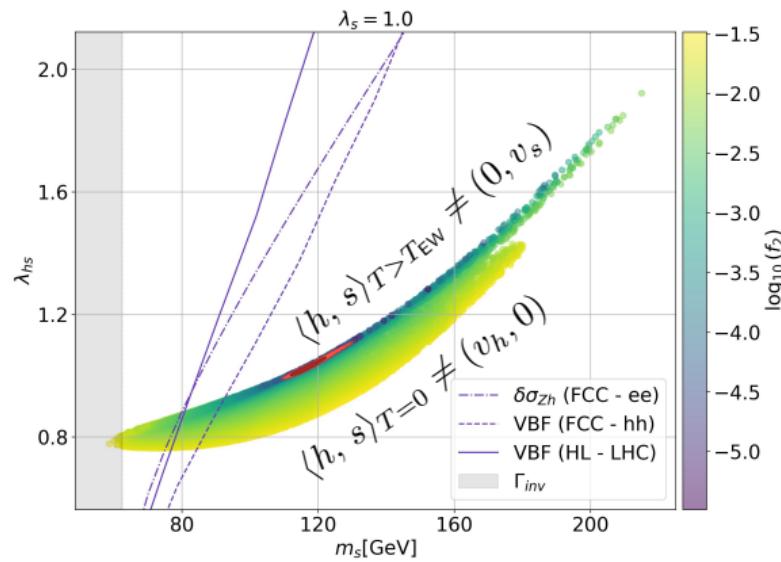
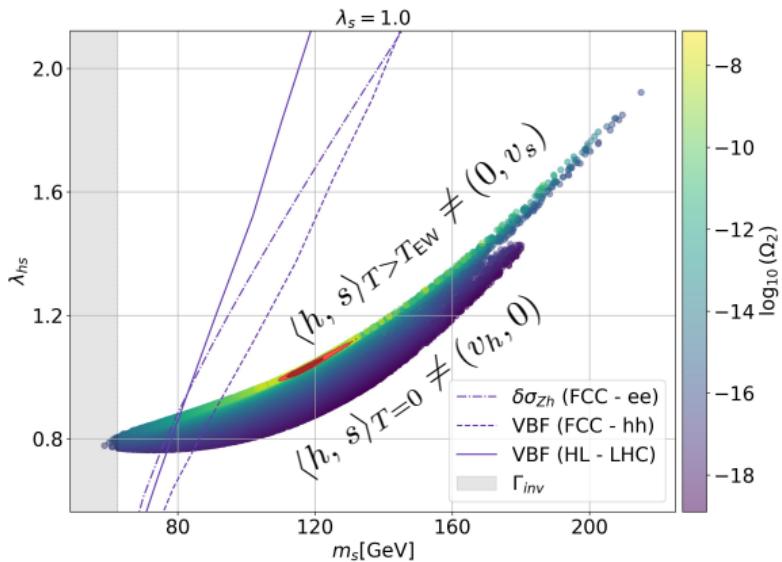


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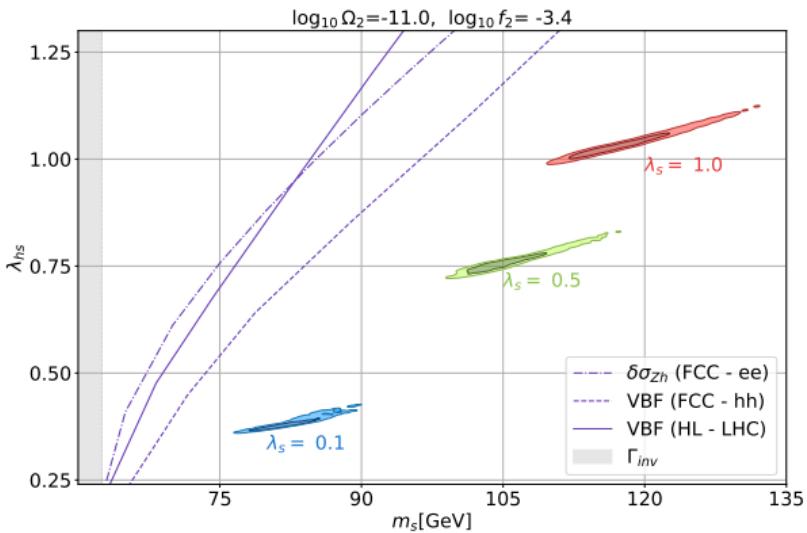
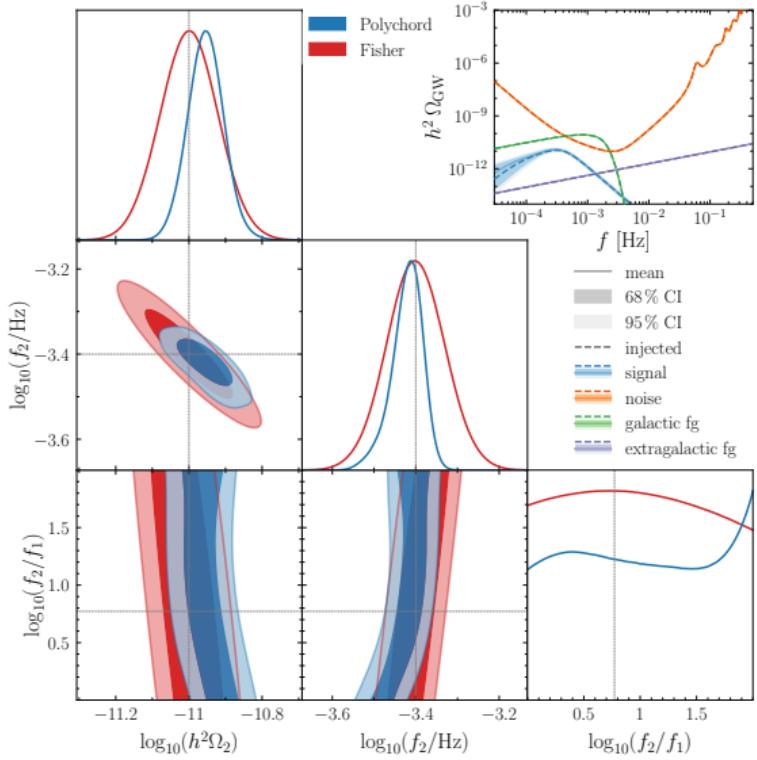
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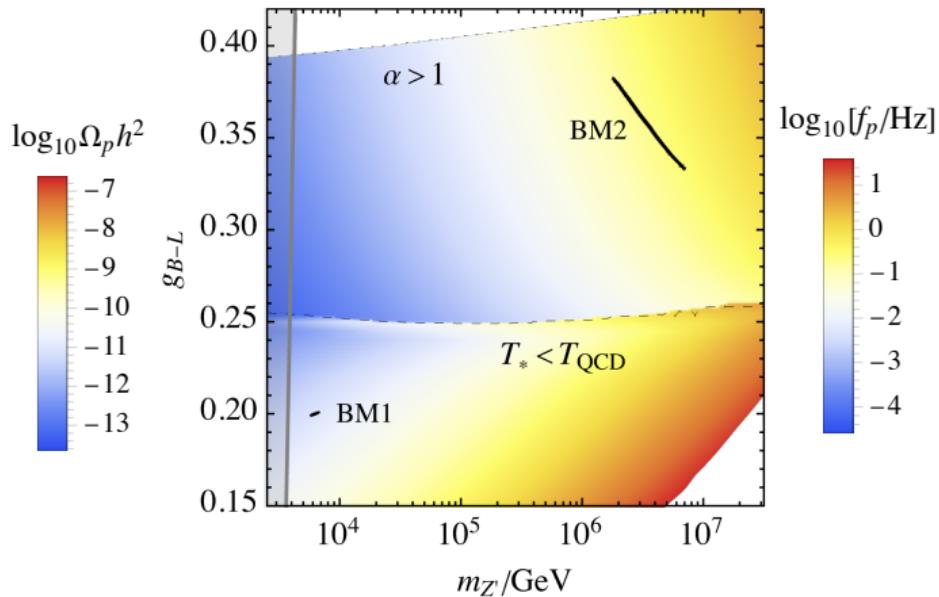
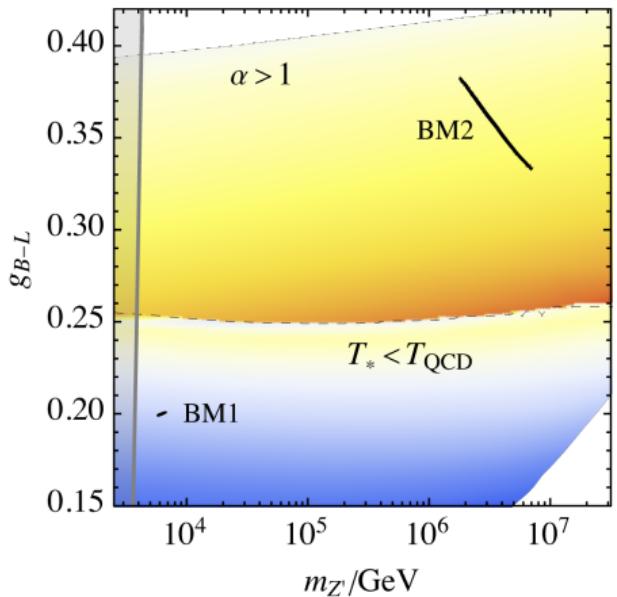


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