

Secondary GWs and PBHs in string inflation

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PBH Dark Matter

Many candidates for DM, among which:

PRIMORDIAL BLACK HOLES

The curvature perturbations re-enter the Hubble horizon and undergo a gravitational collapse $\implies$ PBH (2109.01398)

Fraction of PBH DM

We define the fraction of the total energy density in PBH at formation time:

$$\beta_f(M_{\text{PBH}}) := \left. \frac{\rho_{\text{PBH}}}{\rho_{\text{tot}}} \right|_f$$

Gaussian distribution (1811.07857, 2103.01056):

$$\beta_f(M_{\text{PBH}}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_M} \int_{\zeta_c}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{\zeta^2}{2\sigma_M^2}} d\zeta \approx \frac{\sigma_M}{\sqrt{2\pi}\zeta_c} e^{-\frac{\zeta_c^2}{2\sigma_M^2}}.$$

Redshift and rescale up to present time assuming only SM degrees of freedom:

$$\frac{\sigma_M}{\sqrt{2\pi}\zeta_c} e^{-\frac{\zeta_c^2}{2\sigma_M^2}} \approx 10^{-8} \left(\frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{M_{\odot}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} f_{\text{PBH}}(M_{\text{PBH}})$$

Power spectrum

Two-point function $\sigma_M^2 \sim \langle \zeta \zeta \rangle$ related to the power spectrum:

$$\langle \zeta_{\mathbf{k}} \zeta_{\mathbf{p}} \rangle = |\zeta_{\mathbf{k}}|^2 \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p}) =: \frac{2\pi^2}{k^3} \mathcal{P}_\zeta(k) \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{p})$$

Assumptions: $M_{\text{PBH}} \sim 10^{-12} M_\odot$, $f_{\text{PBH}}(10^{-12} M_\odot) = 1$ (1810.12218), $\zeta_c = 0.6$ (1908.11357). Then:

$$\frac{\sigma_M}{\sqrt{2\pi}0.6} e^{-\frac{0.36}{2\sigma_M^2}} \approx 10^{-14} \implies \sigma_M \approx 0.078 \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{P}_\zeta(k_{\text{PBH}}) \sim 10^{-3}$$

Power spectrum at CMB scales: $\mathcal{P}_\zeta(k_{\text{CMB}}) = 2 \cdot 10^{-9} \implies$

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Inflationary dynamics

Dynamics of expanding universe:

$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} + \frac{\delta V[\phi]}{\delta\phi} = 0,$$

$$\dot{H} = -\frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{2}.$$

Hubble slow-roll parameters:

$$\epsilon := -\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2}, \quad \eta := \frac{\dot{\epsilon}}{\epsilon H}, \quad \kappa := \frac{\dot{\eta}}{\eta H}$$

- ▶ $|\eta| \ll 1 \implies$ slow-roll
- ▶ $\eta = -\mathcal{O}(1) \implies$ ultra-slow-roll

Ultra-slow-roll

Power spectrum given by the solution of the Mukhanov-Sasaki equation ($z := \sqrt{2\epsilon}a$, $u_k := z\zeta_k$):

$$u_k''(\tau) + \left(k^2 - \frac{z''}{z}\right) u_k(\tau) = 0 \implies \mathcal{P}_\zeta(k) = \frac{k^3}{2\pi^2} |\zeta_k|^2$$

$$\frac{z''}{z} = (aH)^2 \left(2 - \epsilon + \frac{3\eta}{2} - \frac{\epsilon\eta}{4} + \frac{\eta^2}{4} + \frac{\eta\kappa}{2}\right)$$

Ultra-slow-roll: $\eta = -\mathcal{O}(1) = \text{const.}$ Definition of η :

$$\eta = \frac{\dot{\epsilon}}{\epsilon H} = \frac{\epsilon_N}{\epsilon} \implies \epsilon(N) = \epsilon_0 e^{\eta N}.$$

Ultra-slow-roll

Mukhanov-Sasaki equation in N :

$$u_{NN} + (1 - \epsilon)u_N + \left[\left(\frac{k}{aH} \right)^2 - \left(2 - \epsilon + \frac{3\eta}{2} - \frac{\epsilon\eta}{4} + \frac{\eta^2}{4} + \frac{\eta\kappa}{2} \right) \right] u = 0$$

In USR for super-horizon scales

($\epsilon \ll 1$, $\eta = -\mathcal{O}(1)$, $\kappa = 0$, $k \ll aH$):

$$u_{NN} + u_N - \left(2 + \frac{3\eta}{2} + \frac{\eta^2}{4} \right) u = 0.$$

Solution: $u(N) = u_0 e^{\lambda_{\pm} N}$, $\lambda_{\pm} = \frac{-1 \pm |\eta + 3|}{2}$. Physical variable:

$$\zeta(N) = \zeta_0 e^{\omega_+(\eta)N} + \bar{\zeta}_0 e^{\omega_-(\eta)N}, \quad \omega_{\pm}(\eta) := \frac{\pm|\eta + 3| - (\eta + 3)}{2}.$$

PBHs and inflation

Number of efoldings $dN := H dt = d \log a$ (1706.06784):

$$\Delta N_{\text{CMB}}^{\text{PBH}} = 18.4 - \frac{1}{12} \log \left(\frac{g_{*f}}{g_{*0}} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \log \gamma - \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{M_{\odot}} \right)$$

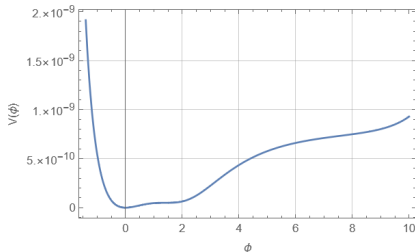
$$M_{\text{PBH}} \sim 10^{-12} M_{\odot} \implies \Delta N_{\text{CMB}}^{\text{PBH}} \sim 32$$

Fibre inflation

String inflationary model in the framework of type IIB flux compactification (0808.0691), (1803.02837).

Inflaton is one of the Kähler moduli:

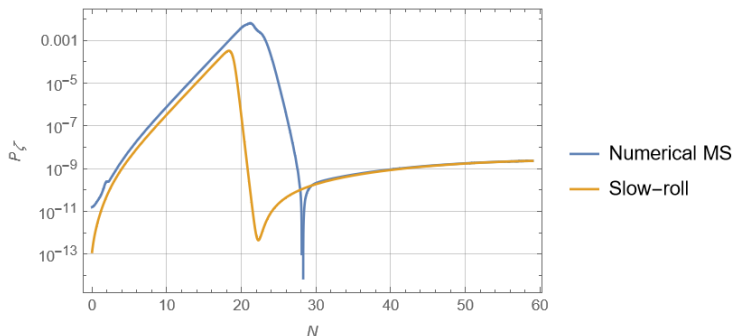
$$\frac{V_{inf}(\phi)}{V_0} = C_1 - e^{-\hat{\phi}/\sqrt{3}} \left(1 - \frac{C_2}{1 - C_3 e^{-\hat{\phi}/\sqrt{3}}} \right) + \dots$$
$$\dots + e^{2\hat{\phi}/\sqrt{3}} \left(C_4 - \frac{C_5}{1 + C_6 e^{\hat{\phi}/\sqrt{3}}} \right)$$



Power spectrum

Studies of reheating after fibre inflation: $N_{CMB} = 53$ before the end of inflation (1809.01159) $\implies$

$N_{PBH} = 21$ before the end of inflation for $M_{PBH} = 10^{-12} M_{\odot}$



GW production

PBH formation $\implies$ production of a stochastic background of secondary GWs (1804.07732). Equation of motion:

$$h''_{ij} + 2\mathcal{H}h'_{ij} - \nabla^2 h_{ij} = -4\mathcal{P}_{ij}^{rs}\mathcal{S}_{rs},$$

source term:

$$\mathcal{S}_{ij} = 4\Psi\partial_i\partial_j\Psi + 2\partial_i\Psi\partial_j\Psi - \partial_i\left(\frac{\Psi'}{\mathcal{H}} + \Psi\right)\partial_j\left(\frac{\Psi'}{\mathcal{H}} + \Psi\right).$$

GW production

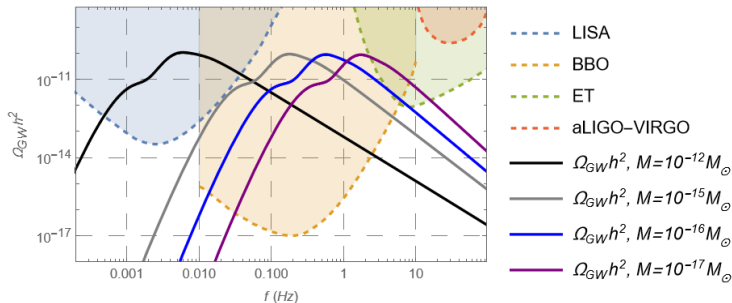
Energy density parameter for GWs (9909001):

$$\Omega_{GW}(\tau, k) := \frac{\rho_{GW}(\tau, k)}{\rho_c} = \frac{1}{24} \left(\frac{k}{a\mathcal{H}} \right)^2 \overline{\mathcal{P}_h(\tau, k)}$$

Perform the average over conformal time and redshift and rescale up to present time:

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{GW}(\tau_0, k) = & \frac{c_g \Omega_{r,0}}{36} \int_{1/\sqrt{3}}^{\infty} ds \int_0^{1/\sqrt{3}} dd \left[\frac{(s^2 - \frac{1}{3})(d^2 - \frac{1}{3})}{s^2 - d^2} \right]^2 \dots \\ & \dots \cdot \mathcal{P}_{\zeta} \left(\frac{k\sqrt{3}}{2}(s+d) \right) \mathcal{P}_{\zeta} \left(\frac{k\sqrt{3}}{2}(s-d) \right) \cdot \dots \\ & \dots \cdot [\mathcal{I}_c^2(s, d) + \mathcal{I}_s^2(s, d)] \end{aligned}$$

GW production



$M_{\text{PBH}} [M_{\odot}]$	$\mathcal{P}_{\zeta}^{\text{peak}}$	f_{PBH}	$f_{\text{GW}}^{\text{peak}} [\text{Hz}]$	$\Omega_{\text{GW}}^{\text{peak}} h^2$
$\mathcal{O}(10^{-12})$	$6.6 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$5.96 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.08 \cdot 10^{-10}$
$\mathcal{O}(10^{-15})$	$6.4 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	0.178	$9.32 \cdot 10^{-11}$
$\mathcal{O}(10^{-16})$	$6.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	0.567	$8.99 \cdot 10^{-11}$
$\mathcal{O}(10^{-17})$	$6.1 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$\mathcal{O}(10^{-3})$	1.73	$8.80 \cdot 10^{-11}$

Secondary GWs without PBHs

Exponential dependence on σ_M :

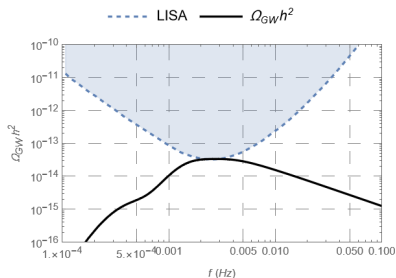
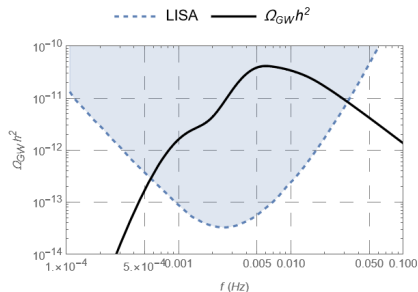
$$\frac{\sigma_M}{\sqrt{2\pi}0.6} e^{-\frac{0.36}{2\sigma_M^2}} \approx 10^{-8} \left(\frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{M_\odot} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} f_{\text{PBH}}(M_{\text{PBH}})$$

Example:

$$M = 10^{-12} M_\odot, f_{\text{PBH}}(10^{-12} M_\odot) = 10^{-10} \implies \sigma_M = 0.059$$

We can still have a detectable GW signal with PBHs contributing to DM with a small (even negligible) fraction

Secondary GWs without PBHs



$M_{\text{PBH}} [M_{\odot}]$	$\mathcal{P}_{\zeta}^{\text{peak}}$	f_{PBH}	$f_{\text{GW}}^{\text{peak}} [\text{Hz}]$	$\Omega_{\text{GW}}^{\text{peak}} h^2$
$\mathcal{O}(10^{-12})$	$4.1 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$\mathcal{O}(10^{-8})$	$5.97 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$8.80 \cdot 10^{-11}$
$\mathcal{O}(10^{-12})$	$1.1 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0	$2.80 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$3.35 \cdot 10^{-14}$

Conclusions

- ▶ nature of DM: Primordial Black Holes?
- ▶ PBH formation: re-entry of the Hubble horizon
- ▶ Fibre Inflation: inflection point in the inflaton potential
- ▶ GW production with and without PBH being DM

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