

# New probe of non-Gaussianities with primordial black hole induced gravitational waves

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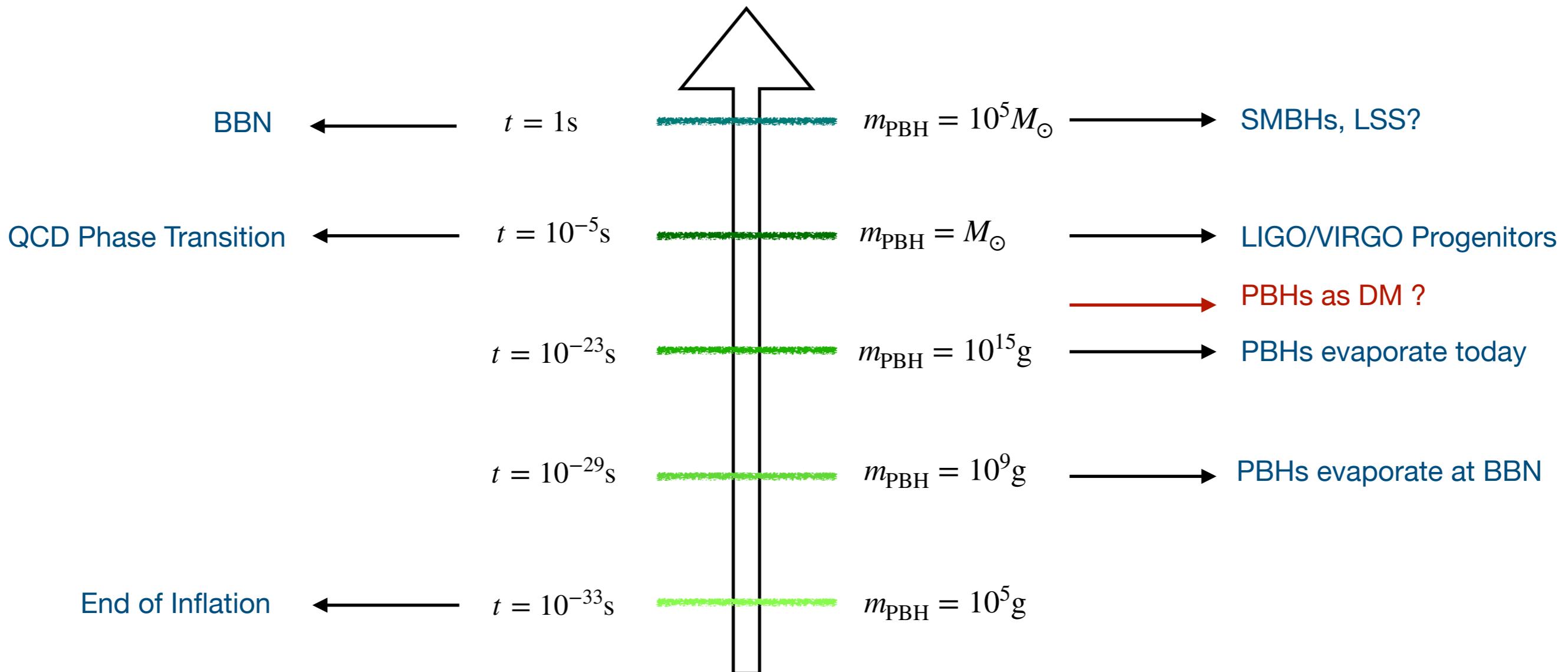
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# Introduction

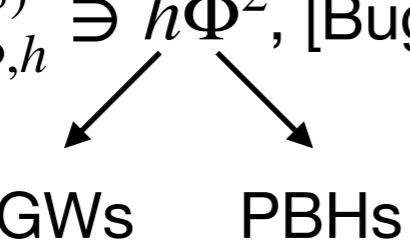
- Primordial Black Holes (PBHs) form in the early universe out of the **collapse of enhanced energy density perturbations** upon horizon reentry of the typical size of the collapsing overdensity region. This happens when  $\delta \equiv \frac{\delta\rho}{\rho_b} > \delta_c$  ( $w \equiv p/\rho$ ) [Carr - 1975].

$$m_{\text{PBH}} = \gamma M_H \propto H^{-1} \text{ where } \gamma \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$$



See for reviews in [Carr et al.- 2020, Sasaki et al - 2018, Clesse et al. - 2017]

# PBHs and GWs

- 1) **Primordial induced GWs** generated through second order gravitational effects:  $\mathcal{L}_{\Phi,h}^{(3)} \ni h\Phi^2$ , [Bugaev - 2009, Kohri & Terada - 2018].  


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- 2) **Relic Hawking radiated gravitons** from PBH evaporation [Anantua et al. - 2008, Dong et al. - 2015].
- 3) **GWs emitted by PBH mergers** [Eroshenko - 2016, Raidal et al. - 2017].
- 4) **GWs induced at second order by PBH energy density fluctuations** [Papanikolaou et al. - 2020].

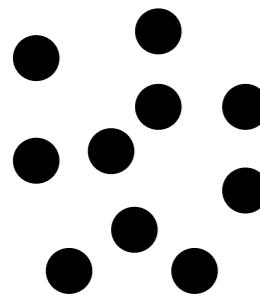
# PBH-eMD era phenomenology

- PBHs can dominate in the early Universe since  $\Omega_{\text{PBH}} = \rho_{\text{PBH}}/\rho_{\text{tot}} \propto a^{-3}/a^{-4} \propto a$ .

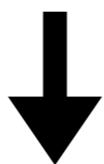
**PBHs with  $m_{\text{PBH}} < 10^9 \text{g}$  (They evaporate before BBN)**

- These ultralight PBHs can **drive the reheating process** through their evaporation [Zagorac et al. - 2019, Martin et al. - 2019, Inomata et al. - 2020] during which all the SM particles can be produced.
- Hawking evaporation of ultralight PBHs can **alleviate as well the Hubble tension** [Hooper et al. - 2019, Nesseris et al. - 2019, Lunardini et al. - 2020] by injecting to the primordial plasma dark radiation degrees of freedom which can increase  $N_{\text{eff}}$ .
- Evaporation of light PBHs can also **produce naturally the baryon asymmetry** through CP violating out-of-equilibrium decays of Hawking evaporation products [J. D. Barrow et al. - 1991, T. C. Gehrman et al. - 2022, N. Bhaumik et al. - 2022].
- **GWs induced by PBH energy density fluctuations can interpret** in a very good agreement **the recently released PTA GW data** [Lewicki et al. - 2023, Basilakos et al. - 2023]

# The PBH Matter Field



$\rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Poisson Statistics [Desjacques & Riotto - 2018, Ali-Haimoud - 2018]} \\ \text{Same mass [Dizgah, Franciolini & Riotto - 2019]} \end{array} \right.$



$$\mathcal{P}_{\delta_{\text{PBH}}, \text{Poisson}}(k) \equiv \frac{k^3 \langle |\delta_k^{\text{PBH}}|^2 \rangle}{2\pi^2} = \frac{2}{3\pi} \left( \frac{k}{k_{\text{UV}}} \right)^3, \text{ where } k < k_{\text{UV}} = \frac{a}{\bar{r}}$$

$\rho_{\text{PBH}}$  is inhomogeneous      }  
 $\rho_{\text{tot}}$  is homogeneous      }  $\delta_{\text{PBH}}$  can be seen as an **isocurvature perturbation**.

This **isocurvature perturbation**,  $\delta_{\text{PBH}}$  generated during the RD era **will convert** during the PBHD era **to a curvature perturbation**  $\zeta_{\text{PBH}}$ , associated to a PBH gravitational potential  $\Phi$ .

$$\mathcal{P}_\Phi(k) = S_\Phi^2(k) \left( 5 + \frac{4}{9} \frac{k^2}{k_d^2} \right)^{-2} \mathcal{P}_{\delta_{\text{PBH}}, \text{Poisson}}(k), \text{ where } S_\Phi(k) \equiv \left( \frac{k}{k_{\text{evap}}} \right)^{-1/3}$$

# Scalar Induced Gravitational Waves

- The equation of motion for the Fourier modes,  $h_{\vec{k}}$ , read as:

$$h_{\vec{k}}^{s,\prime\prime} + 2\mathcal{H}h_{\vec{k}}^{s,\prime} + k^2 h_{\vec{k}}^s = 4S_{\vec{k}}^s.$$

- The source term,  $S_{\vec{k}}$  can be recast as:

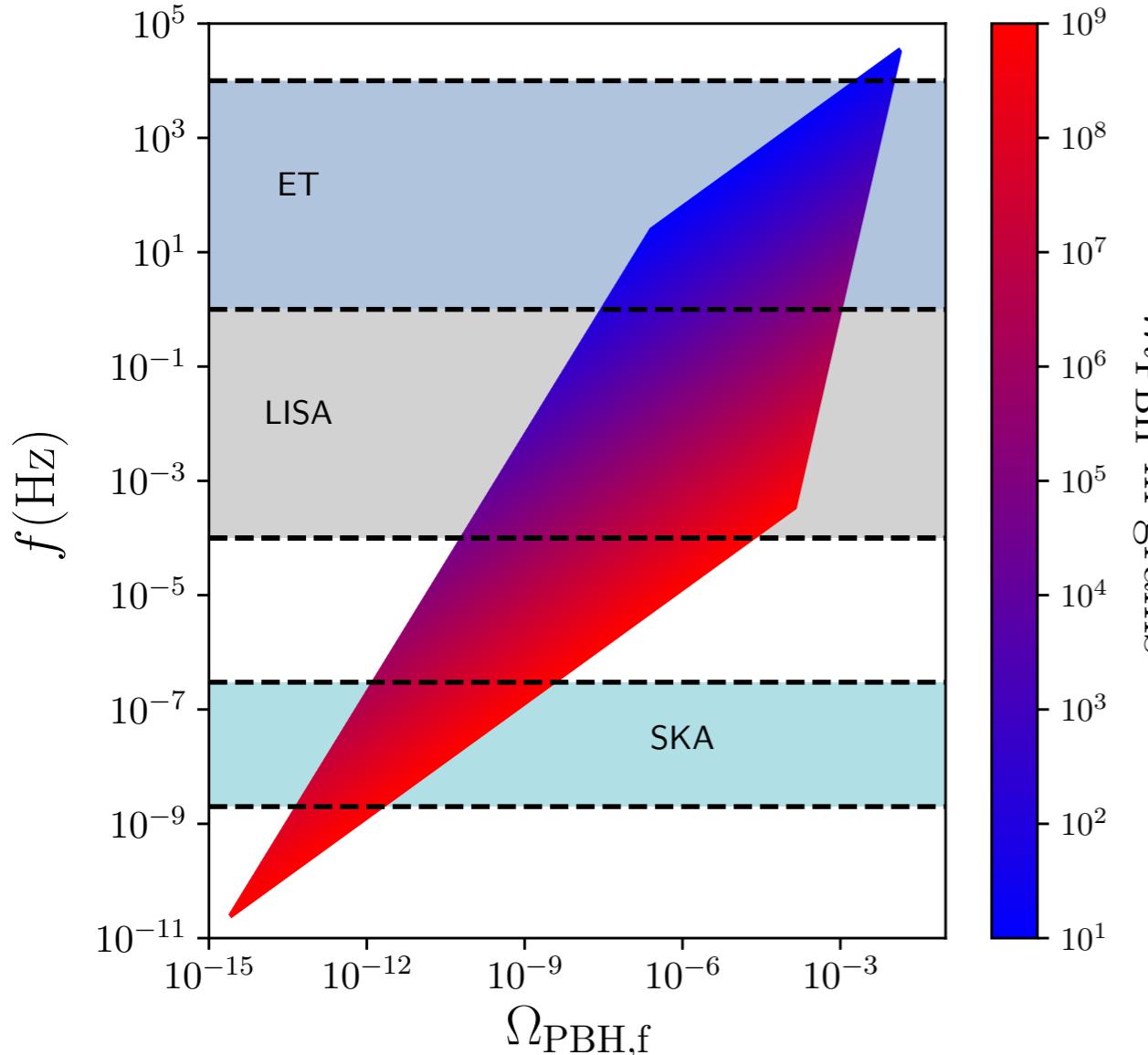
$$S_{\vec{k}}^s = \int \frac{d^3\vec{q}}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} e_{ij}^s(\vec{k}) q_i q_j \left[ 2\Phi_{\vec{q}} \Phi_{\vec{k}-\vec{q}} + \frac{4}{3(1+w)} (\mathcal{H}^{-1} \Phi'_{\vec{q}} + \Phi_{\vec{q}}) (\mathcal{H}^{-1} \Phi'_{\vec{k}-\vec{q}} + \Phi_{\vec{k}-\vec{q}}) \right].$$



$$\Omega_{\text{GW}}(\eta, k) \equiv \frac{1}{\rho_{\text{tot}}} \frac{d\rho_{\text{GW}}}{d \ln k} = \frac{1}{24} \left( \frac{k}{a(\eta)H(\eta)} \right)^2 \mathcal{P}_h(\eta, k),$$

with  $\mathcal{P}_h(\eta, k) \equiv \frac{k^3 |h_k|^2}{2\pi^2} \propto \int dv \int du \left( \int f(v, u, k, \eta) d\eta \right)^2 \mathcal{P}_{\Phi}(kv) \mathcal{P}_{\Phi}(ku).$

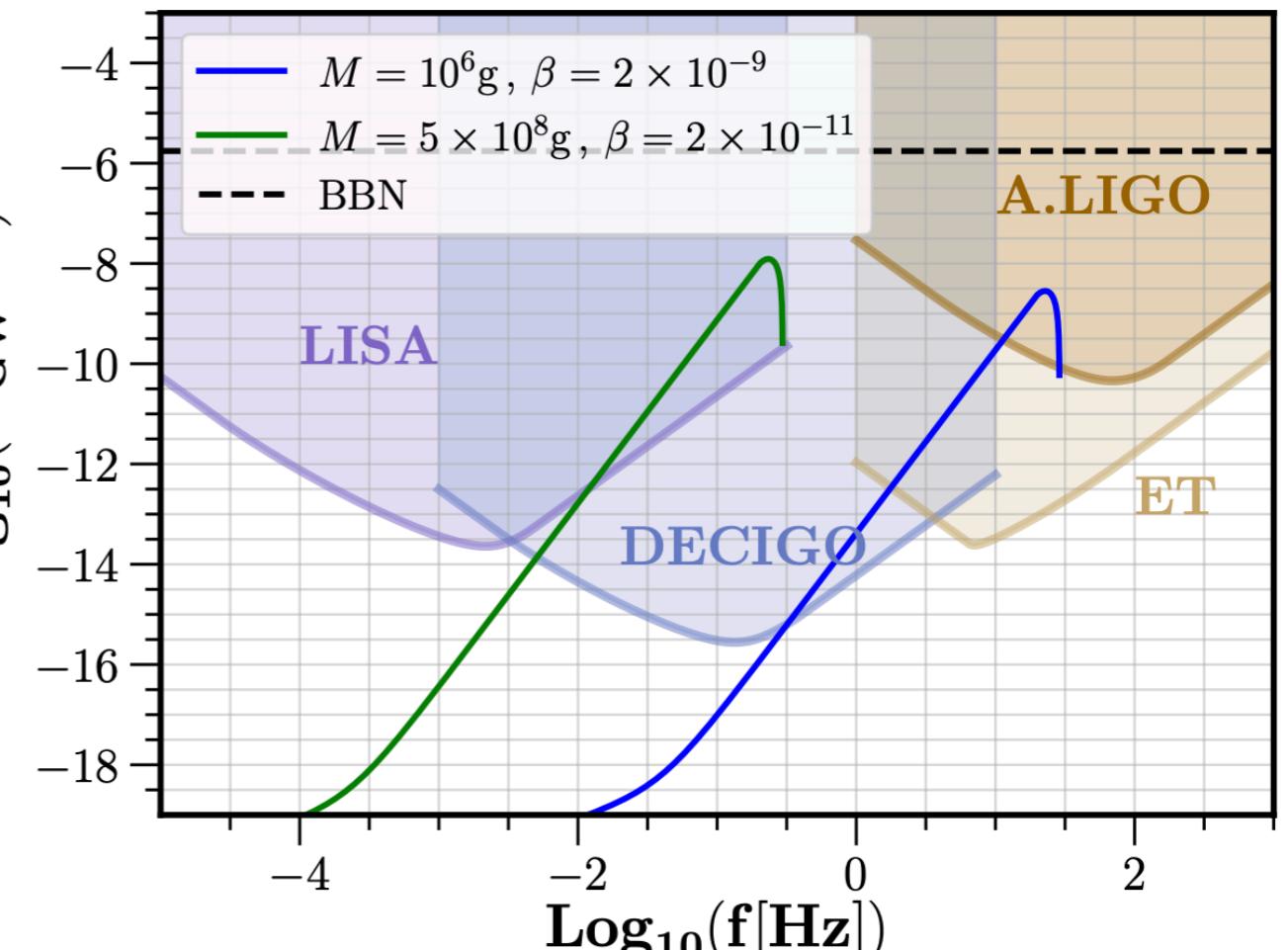
# GW Detectability



[Papanikolaou et al. - 2020]

- By accounting on BBN bounds on the GW amplitude at  $k \sim k_{\text{UV}}$ , one can set upper bound constraints on the  $\Omega_{\text{PBH},f}$  readings as

$$\Omega_{\text{PBH},f} < 10^{-6} \left( \frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{10^4 \text{g}} \right)^{-17/24}.$$



[Domenech et al. - 2020]

# **The effect of local-type non-Gaussianities**

# Primordial non-Gaussianities of local type

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{k}_1) \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{k}_2) \rangle &\equiv (2\pi)^3 \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2) P_{\mathcal{R}}(k) \\ \langle \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{k}_1) \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{k}_2) \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{k}_3) \rangle &\equiv (2\pi)^3 \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3) \\ &\quad \times \frac{6}{5} f_{\text{NL}} [P_{\mathcal{R}}(k_1) P_{\mathcal{R}}(k_2) + 2 \text{ perms}] \\ \langle \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{k}_1) \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{k}_2) \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{k}_3) \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{k}_4) \rangle &\equiv (2\pi)^3 \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3 + \mathbf{k}_4) \\ &\quad \times \left\{ \frac{54}{25} g_{\text{NL}} [P_{\mathcal{R}}(k_1) P_{\mathcal{R}}(k_2) P_{\mathcal{R}}(k_3) + 3 \text{ perms}] \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \tau_{\text{NL}} [P_{\mathcal{R}}(k_1) P_{\mathcal{R}}(k_2) P_{\mathcal{R}}(|\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_3|) + 11 \text{ perms}] \right\}\end{aligned}$$

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kR \ll 1 &\quad \downarrow \quad R \sim 1/k_f
\end{aligned}$$

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\mathcal{P}_{\delta_{\text{PBH}}}(k) &\simeq \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}(k) \nu^4 \left( \frac{4}{9\sigma_R} \right)^4 \int \frac{d^3 p_1 d^3 p_2}{(2\pi)^6} \tau_{\text{NL}}(p_1, p_2, p_1, p_2) W_{\text{local}}^2(p_1) W_{\text{local}}^2(p_2) P_{\mathcal{R}}(p_1) P_{\mathcal{R}}(p_2) \\
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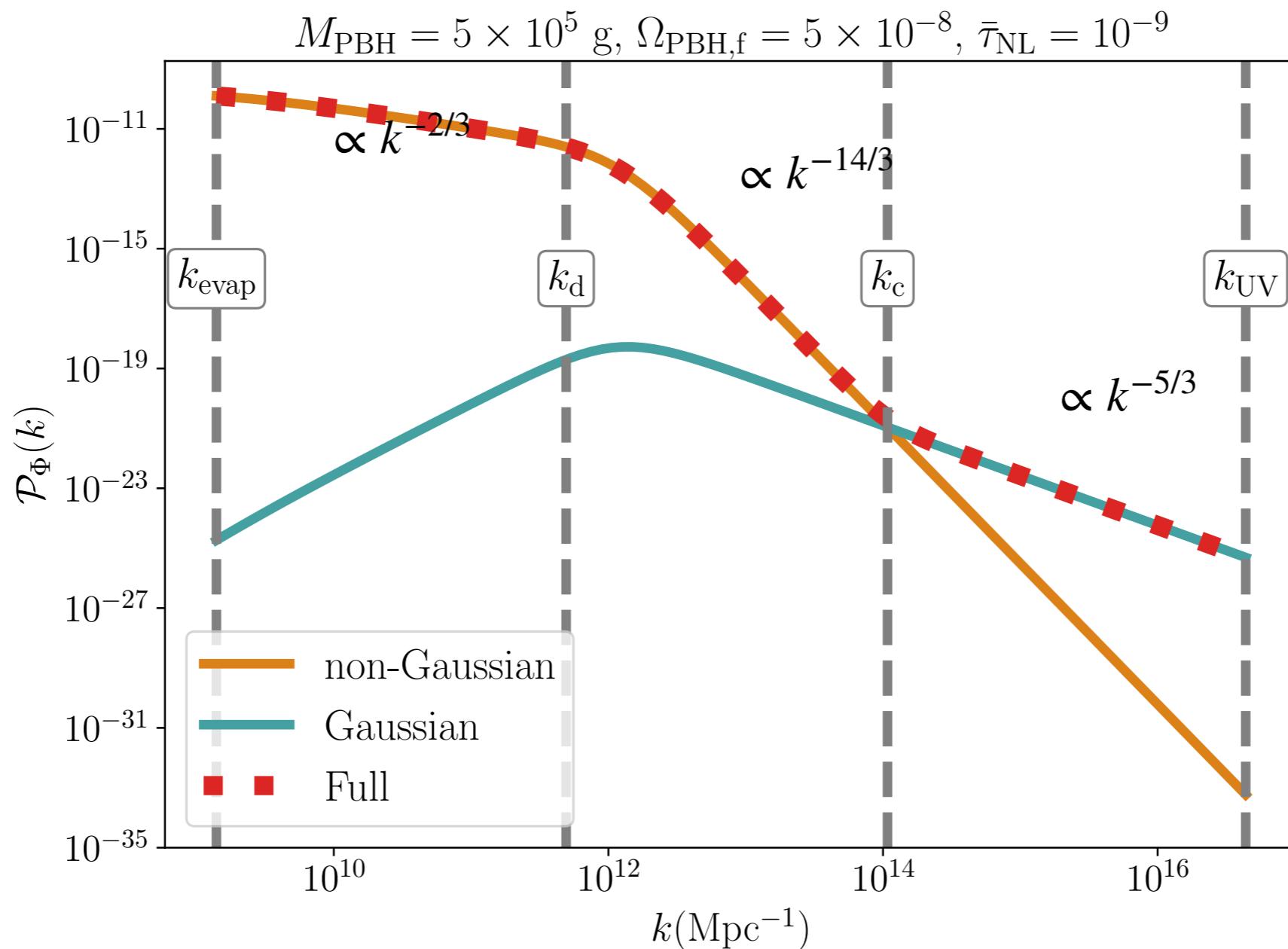
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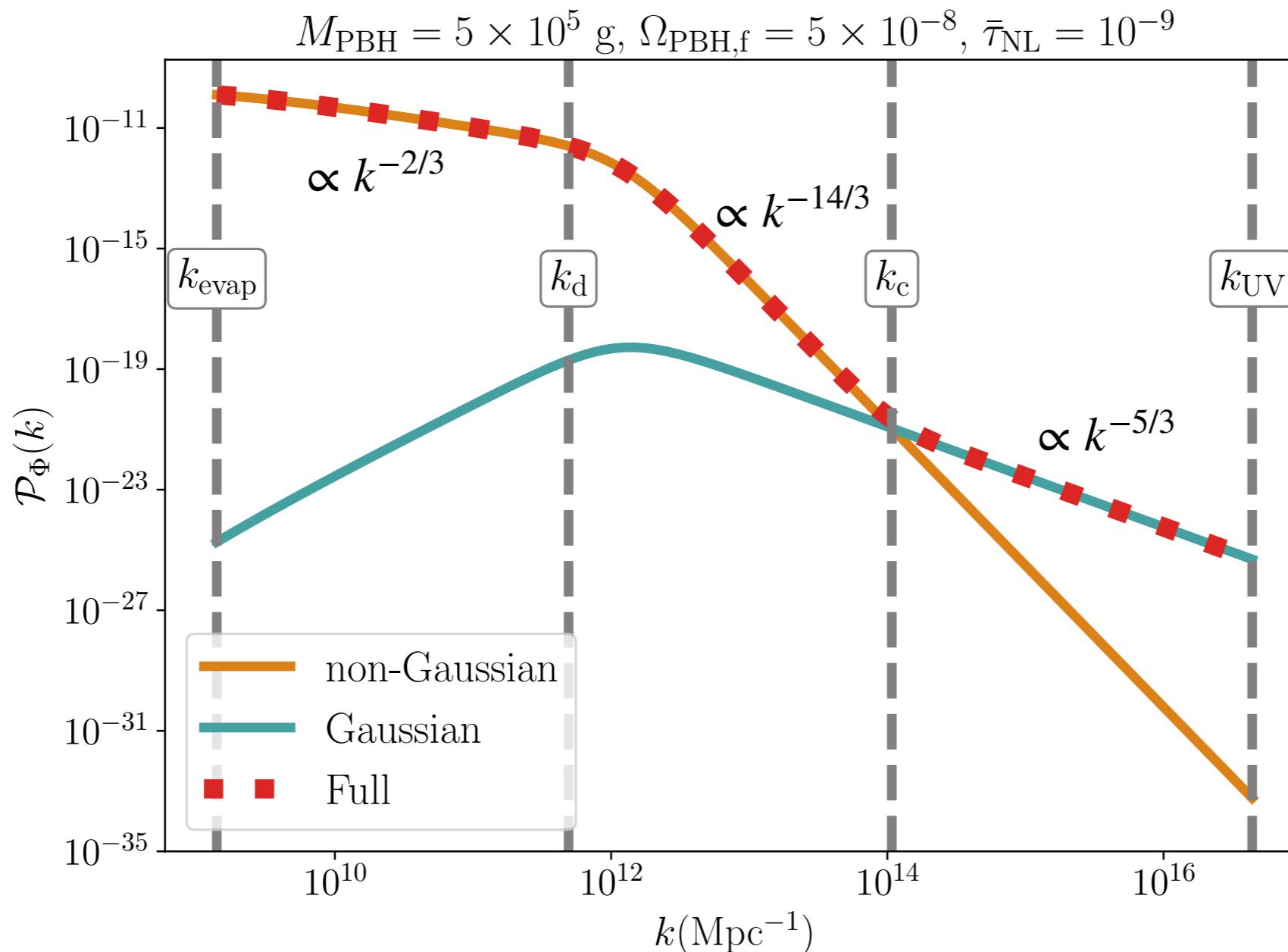
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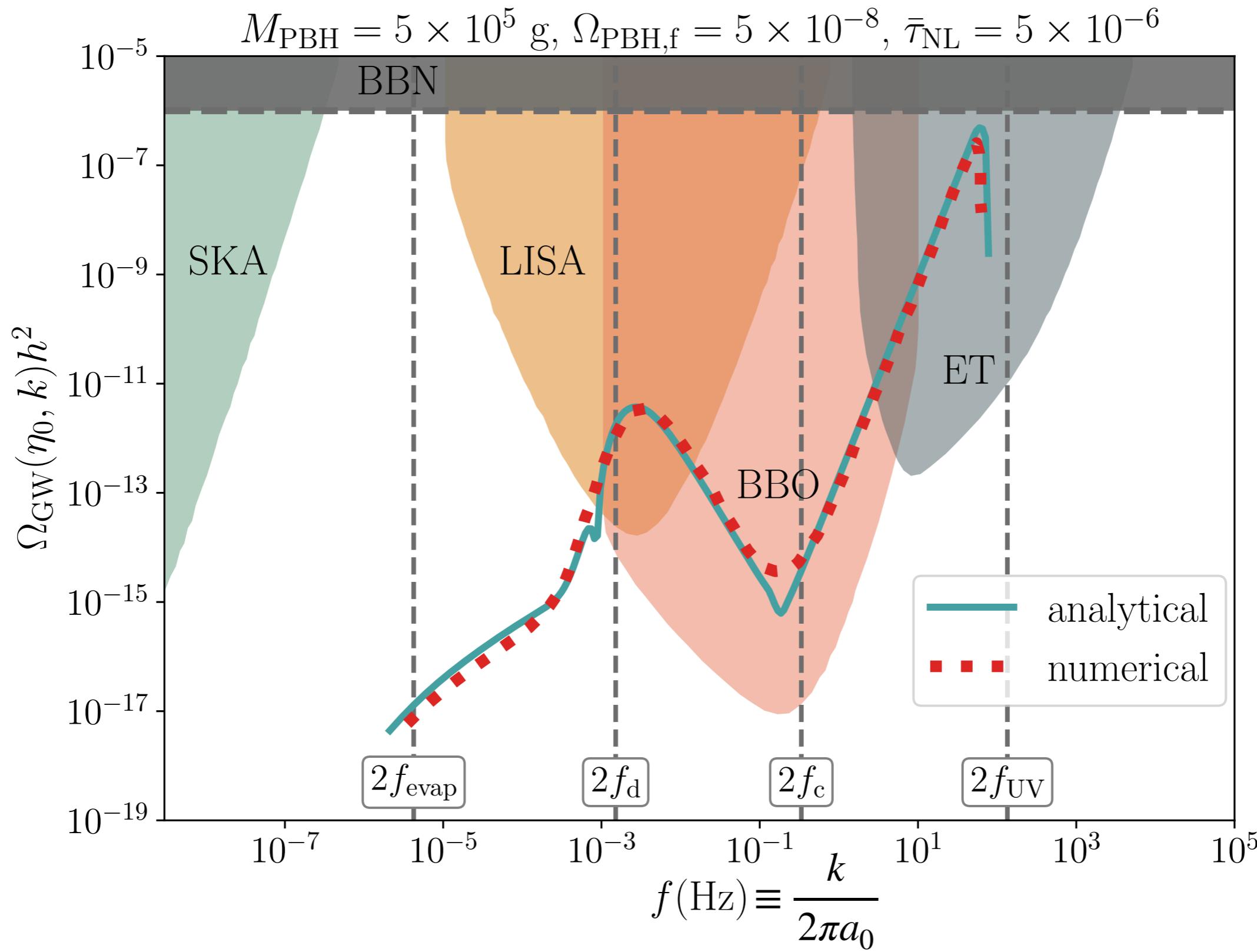
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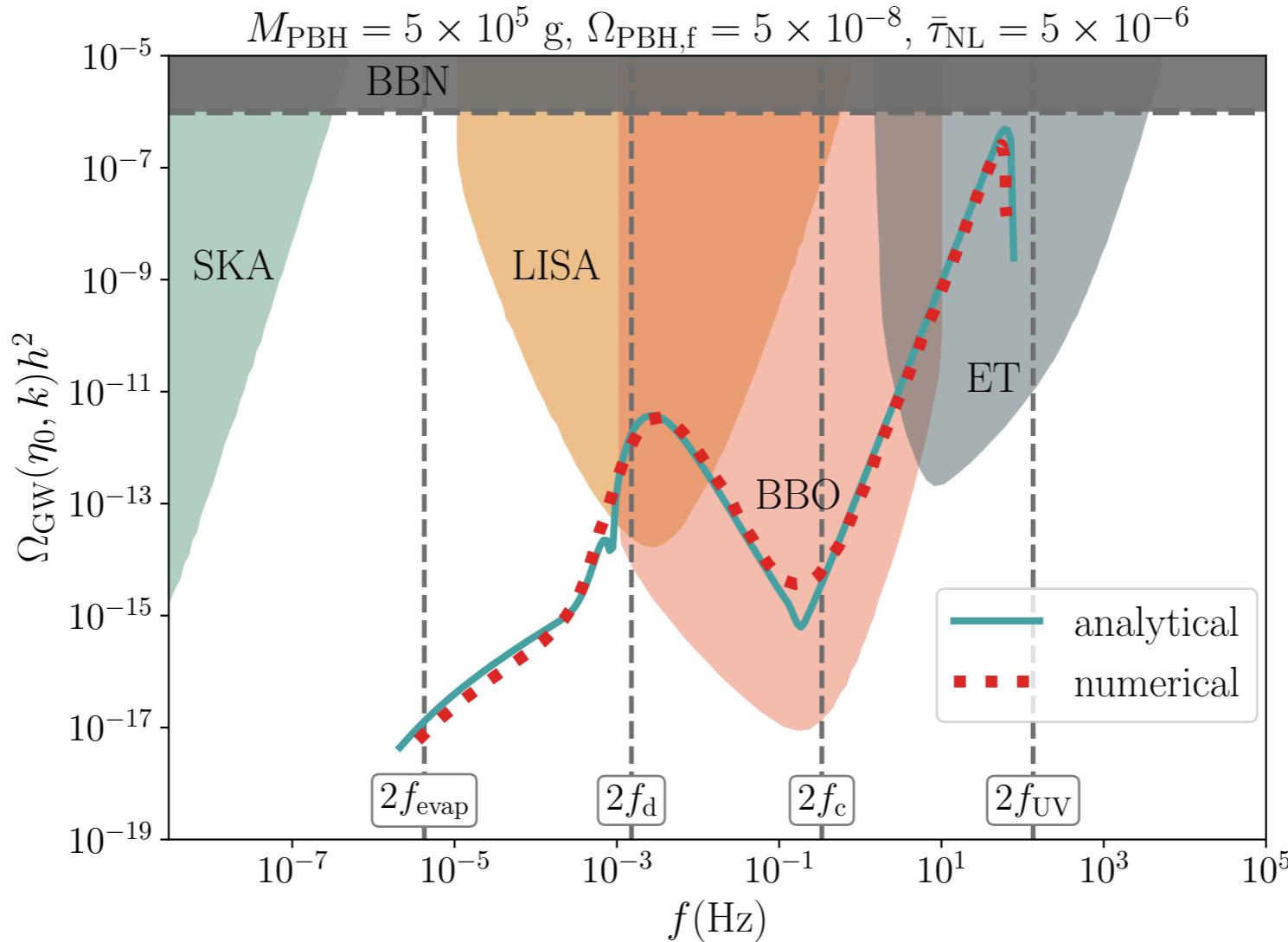


Scale Hierarchy :  $10^5 \text{Mpc}^{-1} < k_{\text{evap}} < k_d < k_c < k_{\text{UV}} \ll k_f \sim 1/R$

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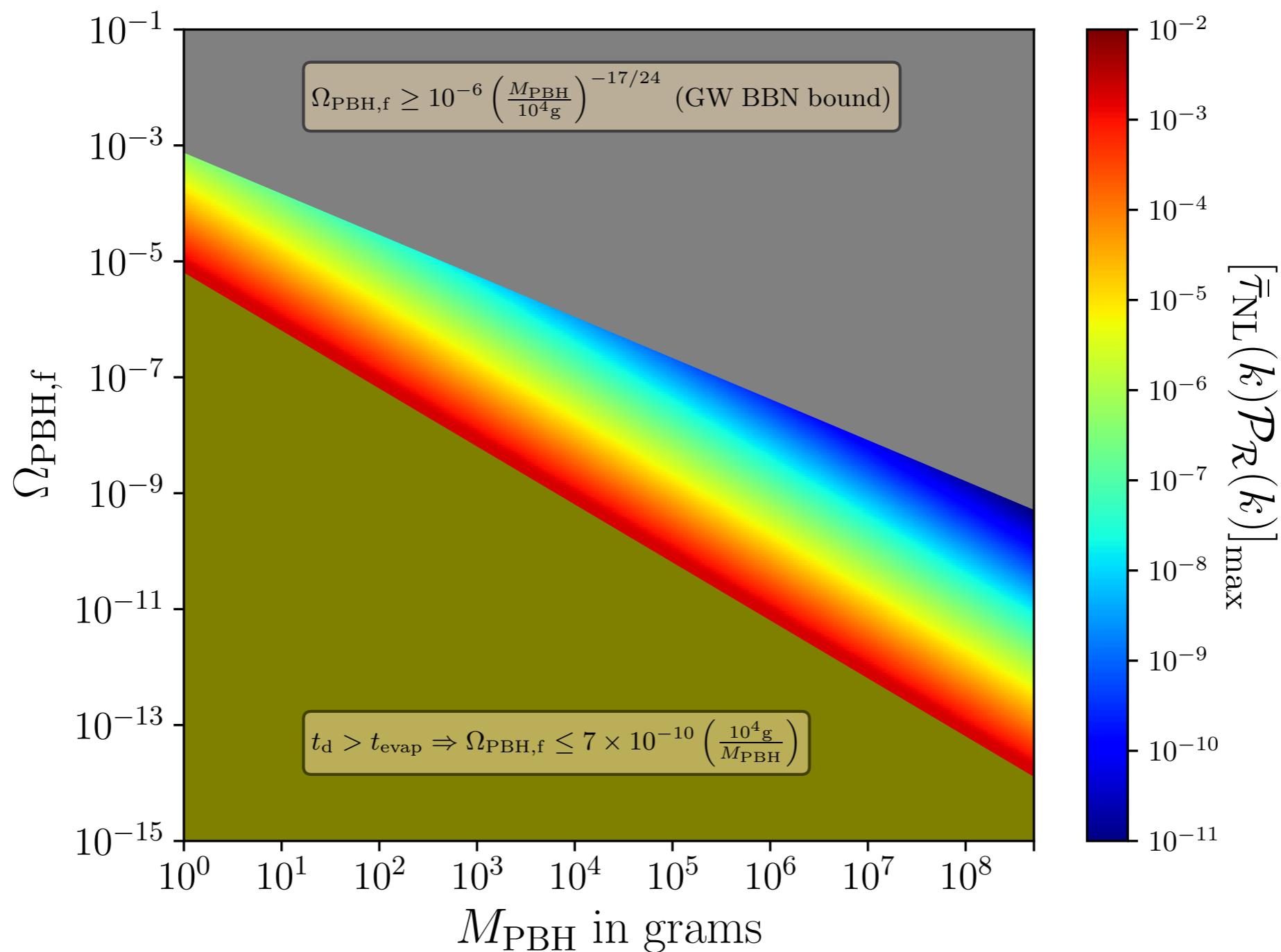
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$$\Omega_{\text{GW}}(\eta_0, k) h^2 \simeq \begin{cases} 3 \times 10^{-80} \left( \frac{k}{10^4 \text{Mpc}^{-1}} \right)^{11/3} \left( \frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{10^4 \text{g}} \right)^{41/6} \left( \frac{\Omega_{\text{PBH,f}}}{10^{-10}} \right)^{16/3} & 2k_c < k < 2k_{\text{UV}} \\ 5 \times 10^{-13} \left( \frac{k}{10^4 \text{Mpc}^{-1}} \right)^{-7/3} \left( \frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{10^4 \text{g}} \right)^{11/6} \left( \frac{\Omega_{\text{PBH,f}}}{10^{-10}} \right)^{16/3} \left( \frac{\bar{\tau}_{\text{NL}} \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}}{10^{-15}} \right)^2 & 2k_d < k < 2k_c \\ 4 \times 10^{-75} \left( \frac{k}{10^4 \text{Mpc}^{-1}} \right)^{17/3} \left( \frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{10^4 \text{g}} \right)^{17/2} \left( \frac{\bar{\tau}_{\text{NL}} \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}}{10^{-15}} \right)^2 \\ + 10^{-39} \left( \frac{k}{10^4 \text{Mpc}^{-1}} \right) \left( \frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{10^4 \text{g}} \right)^4 \left( \frac{\Omega_{\text{PBH,f}}}{10^{-10}} \right)^{22/9} \left( \frac{\bar{\tau}_{\text{NL}} \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}}{10^{-15}} \right)^2 & 2k_{\text{evap}} < k < 2k_d \end{cases}$$

# Constraining non-Gaussianities

$$\Omega_{\text{GW}}(2k_d, \eta_0) \leq 7 \times 10^{-6} \Rightarrow \bar{\tau}_{\text{NL}} \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}(k) \leq 2 \times 10^{-20} \Omega_{\text{PBH,f}}^{-17/9} \left( \frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{10^4 \text{g}} \right)^{-17/9}$$



# Conclusions

- **GWs induced by PBH isocurvature perturbations** can be abundantly produced in **eMD eras before BBN** driven by PBHs and give us access to the early Universe given their **potential detectability by GW experiments**.
- In particular, by requiring not to have GW overproduction at the end of BBN one can set **constraints on the abundances of ultralight PBHs** with  $m_{\text{PBH}} < 10^9 \text{g}$  which are **otherwise unconstrained** by other observational probes.
- Incorporating in the analysis **the effect of local-type primordial non-Gaussianities on PBH clustering** we found a **bi-peaked structure of the induced GW signal with the low frequency peak being related to the  $\tau_{\text{NL}}$  parameter**.
- Accounting finally for BBN bounds on the GW amplitude we set **constraints on primordial non-Gaussianities on very small scales**  $k > 10^5 \text{Mpc}^{-1}$ , otherwise unconstrained by current CMB and LSS probes.
- The portal of **PBH induced GWs induced** can serve as a **new messenger from the early Universe**.

**Thanks for your attention!**