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# Graviton/Axion-Photon conversion in the Stochastic magnetic field

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### Outline

• GW-photon mixing

Stochastic resonance Primordial magnetic field Compare with Domain-like model

- Axion-photon mixing
  - Radio excess
  - 21cm absorption line

#### GW&EM

- GW channel: BH/NS merger, Stochastic GW background (Inflation, First-order phase transition)
- Electromagnetic channel: supernova, BH image, CMB, primordial magnetic field
- Two-channel Interaction:

Speed of GW

pulsar timing arrays

E/B-modes

Graviton-photon mixing?

$$S = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left(\mathcal{R} + \mathcal{F}^2\right)$$

#### The Gravitational Wave Spectrum



From Wikipedia

# GW in High Frequency

• Cosmic source:

Inflations, preheating, thermal fluctuation

- Astro source: BH mergers
- PBH merger (cosmic origin)





Standard Model +Axion +Seesaw +Higgs inflation model, from arXiv:2203.00621



From arXiv:2205.02153

From arXiv: 1511.00231

#### Gertsenshtein Effect



• the action including plasma effect

$$S = \frac{1}{\kappa^2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \mathcal{R} + \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left( -\frac{1}{4} \mathcal{F}_{\mu\nu} \mathcal{F}^{\mu\nu} + j^{\mu} \mathcal{A}_{\mu} \right) \qquad j^{\mu} = -\frac{1}{c} \omega_{\rm pl}^2 \mathcal{A}^{\mu}$$

For (ultra)relativistic particles, Graviton-photon mixing reduce to linear system

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}$$

$$A_{\mu} = \overline{A}_{\mu} + A_{\mu}$$

$$\partial_{l} \begin{pmatrix} h_{\times}(\omega, l) \\ h_{+}(\omega, l) \\ A_{x}(\omega, l) \\ A_{y}(\omega, l) \end{pmatrix} = iK(l) \begin{pmatrix} h_{\times}(\omega, l) \\ h_{+}(\omega, l) \\ A_{x}(\omega, l) \\ A_{y}(\omega, l) \end{pmatrix}, K(l) = \begin{pmatrix} \omega & 0 & -i\frac{1}{2}\kappa\mathbf{B}_{x}(l) & i\frac{1}{2}\kappa\mathbf{B}_{y}(l) \\ 0 & \omega & i\frac{1}{2}\kappa\mathbf{B}_{y}(l) & i\frac{1}{2}\kappa\mathbf{B}_{x}(l) \\ i\frac{1}{2}\kappa\mathbf{B}_{x}(l) & -i\frac{1}{2}\kappa\mathbf{B}_{y}(l) & \omega(1+n_{\text{pl}}) & 0 \\ -i\frac{1}{2}\kappa\mathbf{B}_{y}(l) & -i\frac{1}{2}\kappa\mathbf{B}_{x}(l) & 0 & \omega(1+n_{\text{pl}}) \end{pmatrix}$$

 neglect the Cotton-Mouton effect and the Faraday Rotation, as they are quadratic in B

#### Constant magnetic field

• Analytically solution

$$\mathcal{P}(\triangle l) = \frac{1}{4} \kappa^2 B^2 l_{osc}^2 \sin^2\left(\frac{\triangle l}{l_{osc}}\right) \qquad l_{osc} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\kappa^2 B^2 + n_{\rm pl}^2 \omega^2}}$$

• Typical values:

e.g.,  $B \sim nGs$ ,  $X_e(z \sim 20) \sim 10^{-4}$ ,  $\omega \sim MHz$ ,  $l_{osc} \sim 10^{15}m$ ,  $\mathcal{P}(\Delta l > l_{osc}) \sim 10^{-32}$   $\omega \sim GHz$ ,  $l_{osc} \sim 10^{18}m \sim 100pc$ ,  $\mathcal{P} \sim 10^{-26}$  $\omega \sim THz$ ,  $l_{osc} \sim 10^{21}m \sim 0.1Mpc$ ,  $\mathcal{P} \sim 10^{-20}$ 

#### Stochastic primordial magnetic field

- Its origin remans a mystery
- Cosmological source: Inflation (blue or red spectrum) + Phase transition (blue spectrum)
- CMB+Magnetohydrodynamics MHD+Gamma-ray Emission
- Stochastic nature. Magnetic waves produced in huge amount of uncorrelated region at primordial universe expand and superimpose at present day. (Just like SGWB)
- Astrophysical source: Star formation, Galactic wind etc.



#### Statistics of magnetic field

$$\langle \mathbf{B}_i(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{B}_j(\mathbf{x}')\rangle = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int d^3k e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot(\mathbf{x}'-\mathbf{x})} \left(\delta_{ij} - \hat{k}_i \hat{k}_j\right) P_B(k),$$

- Energy density
- Root mean square (RMS)
- Correlation/Integral length
- Average strength at scale  $\lambda$
- Average strength at  $\lambda_B$
- Use either RMS or  $B_{\lambda_B}$  to normalize  $P_B$
- Transverse Part

$$\langle \mathbf{B}_x(l) \, \mathbf{B}_x(l') + \mathbf{B}_y(l) \, \mathbf{B}_y(l') \rangle = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int d^3k e^{ik\cos\theta(l'-l)} \left(1 + \cos^2\theta\right) P_B(k),$$

$$\rho_B = \left\langle \mathbf{B}^2(\mathbf{x}) \right\rangle / 2 = \int dk k^2 P_B(k) / (2\pi^2),$$

$$B \equiv \sqrt{\langle \mathbf{B}^2(\mathbf{x}) \rangle}$$

$$\lambda_B = 2\pi\rho_B^{-1}\int\rho_B(k)k^{-1}dk$$

$$B_{\lambda} = \frac{8\pi}{\lambda^3} P_B \left( 2\pi/\lambda \right)$$

$$B_{\lambda_B} = \frac{8\pi}{\lambda_B^3} P_B \left( 2\pi / \lambda_B \right)$$

#### Stochastic magnetic field

- Suggest that B coherently oscillates at scale larger than 1pc, that is much larger than the wavelength of incident graviton of interests (typically, MHz)
- Replace B by B(l) in the Mixing EoM and perturbatively solve it

$$\mathcal{U}(l,l_{0}) = e^{i(l-l_{0})K_{0}} + ie^{i(l-l_{0})K_{0}} \int_{l_{0}} dl' e^{-i(l'-l_{0})K_{0}} \delta K(l') e^{i(l'-l_{0})K_{0}} + O\left(\delta K^{2}\right).$$

$$\delta K(l) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -i\frac{1}{2}\kappa \mathbf{B}_{x} & i\frac{1}{2}\kappa \mathbf{B}_{y} \\ 0 & 0 & i\frac{1}{2}\kappa \mathbf{B}_{y} & i\frac{1}{2}\kappa \mathbf{B}_{x} \\ i\frac{1}{2}\kappa \mathbf{B}_{x} & -i\frac{1}{2}\kappa \mathbf{B}_{y} & 0 & 0 \\ -i\frac{1}{2}\kappa \mathbf{B}_{y} & -i\frac{1}{2}\kappa \mathbf{B}_{x} & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{U}_{32}(l,l_0)|^2 = |\mathcal{U}_{41}(l,l_0)|^2 = \frac{1}{4}\kappa^2 \int_{l_0} dl_1 \int_{l_0} dl_2 e^{-2i(l_1-l_2)l_{osc0}} \mathbf{B}_y(l_1) \mathbf{B}_y(l_2),$$

$$\langle |A_r(l)|^2 \rangle + \langle |A_y(l)|^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{4}\kappa^2 \int_{l_0} dl_1 \int_{l_0} dl_2 e^{-2i(l_1-l_2)l_{osc0}} \mathbf{B}_y(l_1) \mathbf{B}_y(l_2),$$

$$\mathcal{P}(l) \rangle = \frac{\langle |A_x(l)|^2 \rangle + \langle |A_y(l)|^2 \rangle}{\langle |h_{\times}(l_0)|^2 \rangle + \langle |h_{+}(l_0)|^2 \rangle} = \frac{1}{2} \left( |\mathcal{U}_{31}|^2 + |\mathcal{U}_{32}|^2 + |\mathcal{U}_{41}|^2 + |\mathcal{U}_{42}|^2 \right),$$

#### **Conversion Probability**

$$\mathcal{P}(\Delta l) = \frac{\kappa^2}{8\pi^2} \int \frac{1}{k} P_B(k) dk \left\{ 2k + \frac{1}{\Delta l} \left( \sin\left(\left(2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} - k\right) \Delta l\right) - \sin\left(\left(2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} + k\right) \Delta l\right) \right) \right. \\ \left. + 2\frac{4l_{\rm osc}^{-2} + k^2}{2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} - k} \sin^2\left(\frac{1}{2} \left(2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} - k\right) \Delta l\right) - 2\frac{4l_{\rm osc}^{-2} + k^2}{2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} + k} \sin^2\left(\frac{1}{2} \left(2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} + k\right) \Delta l\right) \right) \right. \\ \left. + 4l_{\rm osc}^{-1}\left(\operatorname{Ci}(\left|\left(2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} + k\right) \Delta l\right|\right) - \operatorname{Ci}(\left|\left(2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} - k\right) \Delta l\right|) + \ln\left|\frac{2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} - k}{2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} + k}\right|\right) \right. \\ \left. \left. + \Delta l \left(4l_{\rm osc}^{-2} + k^2\right) \left(\operatorname{Si}\left(\left(2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} + k\right) \Delta l\right) - \operatorname{Si}\left(\left(2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} - k\right) \Delta l\right)\right) \right\}, \qquad (\text{II.10})$$

$$\operatorname{Ci}(x) = -\int_x^\infty \frac{\cos(x')}{x'} dx'$$
 and  $\operatorname{Si}(x) = \int_0^x \frac{\sin(x')}{x'} dx'$ .

- the circle matters in large distance limit
- For monochromatic spectrum  $P_B \sim B^2 \delta(k k_B)/k_B^2$ , when  $2l_{osc}^{-1} - k_B < 0$ , the probability converges to  $\mathcal{P} \sim \kappa^2 B^2 \lambda_B \Delta l$  in large  $\Delta l$



#### Stochastic Resonance

- Two extreme cases: monochromatic and truncated scale invariant spectrum
- Motivation: magnetogenesis from the phase transition and inflation
- Infrared  $k^{IR}$  and ultraviolet cutoffs  $k^{UV}$  (physical meaning will be given later)



#### Envelope of probability curves

	$\rangle > 1$	$ riangle l \gtrsim l_{osc}$	$\triangle l < l_{osc}$
monochromatic power spectrum	$\lambda_B > l_{osc}$	$\mathcal{P}\simeq\kappa^2B^2l_{osc}^2$	$\mathcal{P}\simeq\kappa^2B^2 \triangle l^2$
	$\lambda_B \lesssim l_{osc}$	$ riangle l\gtrsim\lambda_B$	$\triangle l < \lambda_B$
		${\cal P}\simeq\kappa^2 B^2\lambda_B  riangle l$	${\cal P}\simeq \kappa^2 B^2  riangle l^2$
scale invariant power spectrum	$k^{IR} \lesssim l_{osc}^{-1} \lesssim k^{UV}$	$ riangle l\gtrsim l_{osc}$	$\triangle l < l_{osc}$
		$\mathcal{P}\simeq\kappa^2B^2l_{osc} riangle l$	$\mathcal{P}\simeq\kappa^2B^2 \triangle l^2$
	$l=1 < l_{\mu}IR < l_{\mu}UV$	$\bigtriangleup l\gtrsim 1/k^{IR}$	$\bigtriangleup l < 1/k^{IR}$
	$l_{osc} < \kappa < \kappa$	$\mathcal{P}\simeq\kappa^2B^2 \triangle l/k^{IR}$	$\mathcal{P}\simeq\kappa^2B^2 \triangle l^2$
	$k^{IR} < k^{UV} < l_{osc}^{-1}$	$ riangle l \gtrsim l_{osc}$	$\triangle l < l_{osc}$
		$\mathcal{P}\simeq\kappa^2B^2l_{osc}^2$	$\mathcal{P}\simeq\kappa^2B^2 \triangle l^2$

#### Oscillatory magnetic field

- Oscillatory B:  $B(l) = B\cos(k_B(l l_0))$ narrow resonant band:  $\lambda_B = \pi l_{osc}$ quadratic growth  $\mathcal{P} \sim \Delta l^2$
- Stochastic case: broad resonant band  $\lambda_B \leq \pi l_{osc}$ linear growth  $\mathcal{P} \sim \Delta l$



$$\mathcal{P}(\triangle l) = \frac{1}{4} \kappa^2 B^2 \underbrace{(-4l_{\rm osc}^{-2} + k_B^2)^2}_{-8l_{\rm osc}^{-2}} \underbrace{(4l_{\rm osc}^{-2} \cos^2(k_B \triangle l) + 4l_{\rm osc}^{-2} + k_B^2 \sin^2(k_B \triangle l)}_{-8l_{\rm osc}^{-2} \cos(k_B \triangle l) \cos(2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} \triangle l) - 4l_{\rm osc}^{-1} k_B \sin(2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} \triangle l) \sin(k_B \triangle l) \Big\}.$$
Oscillatory case

$$\mathcal{P}(\triangle l) = \frac{\kappa^2}{8\pi^2} \int \frac{1}{k} P_B(k) dk \left\{ 2k + \frac{1}{\triangle l} \left( \sin\left(\left(2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} - k\right) \triangle l\right) - \sin\left(\left(2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} + k\right) \triangle l\right) \right) \right. \\ \left. + 2\frac{4l_{\rm osc}^{-2} + k^2}{2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} - k} \sin^2\left(\frac{1}{2} \left(2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} - k\right) \triangle l\right) - 2\frac{4l_{\rm osc}^{-2} + k^2}{2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} + k} \sin^2\left(\frac{1}{2} \left(2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} + k\right) \triangle l\right) \right) \\ \left. + 4l_{\rm osc}^{-1}\left(\operatorname{Ci}(\left|\left(2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} + k\right) \triangle l\right|\right) - \operatorname{Ci}(\left|\left(2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} - k\right) \triangle l\right|) + \ln\left|\frac{2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} - k}{2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} + k}\right|\right) \right. \\ \left. + \Delta l \left(4l_{\rm osc}^{-2} + k^2\right) \left(\operatorname{Si}\left(\left(2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} + k\right) \triangle l\right) - \operatorname{Si}\left(\left(2l_{\rm osc}^{-1} - k\right) \triangle l\right)\right)\right\}, \qquad (\text{II.10})$$

Stochastic case

#### An intuitive interpretation

- For monochromatic case, it is a superposition of plane waves propagating in random directions but all with the same wavelength
- The resonance in single oscillatory B field case happens at  $\lambda_B \simeq l_{osc}$ , equivalent to phase shift  $2\pi$  of the B field
- In stochastic context, when  $\lambda_B \leq l_{osc}$ , always exists an angle  $\theta$  satisfying  $\lambda_B = cos\theta l_{osc}$ , such that the phase difference of the magnetic field between points A and C is  $2\pi$





#### Universe Expansion

• Mixing EoM (work in comoving framework)

$$\partial_l \begin{pmatrix} A \\ h \end{pmatrix} = iK(a,l) \begin{pmatrix} A \\ h \end{pmatrix}, K(a,l) = a \begin{pmatrix} (n_{\rm pl}(a)+1)\,\omega(a) & -\frac{1}{2}\kappa B(a,l) \\ -\frac{1}{2}\kappa B(a,l) & \omega(a) \end{pmatrix}$$

 $\omega(a) = \omega_0/a, \qquad B(a,l) = B_0(l)/a^2 \qquad n_{\rm pl}(a) = -e^2 n_{b0} X_e(a)/(2a\omega_0^2 m_e),$ 

- $X_e(a)$  is the ionization fraction
- Steady approximation
- Redshift discretization (from Recombination to present day)

 $[z_1, z_2, \cdots, z_N]$   $z_{n+1} = (1 - \epsilon)z_n$   $\Delta l = \Delta \tau = \epsilon \mathcal{H}^{-1}.$ 

- Sum over each redshift slice  $\mathcal{P}_{\text{total}} = \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} \mathcal{P}^{\exp}(\triangle l_n).$
- In resonant region, the linear growth pattern of conversion probability indicate independence of  $\epsilon$  on results.

#### **Conversion Probability**

- Simplified  $X_e(a)$  captures main features.
- Conversion maximize at  $z\sim 20$  just before the reionization
- Higher frequency, larger oscillation length  $l_{osc}$ , higher conversion probability



### Magnetic field in cosmology

- Modelled in two power laws  $P_B(z,k) = (1+z)^4 P_{B_0}(k) = (1+z)^4 \begin{cases} A(k/k_0)^{n_L} & k^{IR} < k \le k_0, \\ A(k/k_0)^{n_S} & k_0 < k < k_D, \end{cases}$
- Two representative cases:
- 1, phase transition magnetogenesis:  $n^L = 2$

 $k^{IR}$  is normally set to the Hubble radius at the phase transition time.

2, inflation magnetogenesis:  $n^L = -3$ 

 $k^{IR}$  is the scale when magnetogenesis starts during inflation. Its value can either be larger or smaller than the current Hubble radius.

- At small scale, MHD leads to a universal Kolmogorov slope  $n^s = -11/3$
- At smaller scale, energy is damped away via the viscosity of charged plasma during recombination, leads to an ultraviolet cutoff

 $k_D \simeq \mathcal{O}(100)(10^{-9} \text{Gauss}/B_0) \text{Mp}c^{-1}$ 

### Numerical results

- Focus on the High Frequency window
- Phase transition && inflation magnetogenesis
- Compared to the Ref. V. Domcke and C. Garcia-Cely. Phys. Rev. Lett., 126(2):021104, 2021. (dashed line), which is based on a domain-like model.
- The difference can be very large, e.g., at  $B_0 < 10^{-12}$ Gauss or  $\lambda_B > Mpc$ , the conversion probability is  $5 \sim 10$  orders larger
- Distinct features related to the magnetic spectrum can be used to distinguish the primordial magnetogenesis models



#### Compared to Domain-like model

- Most literature adopt the domain-like model, the size of each domain equals to the correlation length of B field.
- Easier to handle, stochastics are manifested by the random direction in different domains.
- Our model: perturbation method is robust, magnetic field is stochastic, no "unnatural" configuration
- Both models has linear relation in distance:

domain-like model: the classical accumulative rule  $\mathcal{P} \sim \mathcal{P}_{cell} N \sim \mathcal{P}_{cell} \Delta l / \lambda_B$ our model:  $\mathcal{P} \sim \Delta l$  under resonant condition

• Stochastic Resonance effect + evolution of PMF, especially in broad  $B - \lambda_B$  region which could only possibly fulfilled by the truncated (nearly) scale invariant spectrum, makes our results dramatically different to others.

#### Domain Model VS. Our Model

phase transition	$\omega_0 = 10^6 \text{Hz}(\triangle l_n > l_{\text{osc}}, \triangle l_n > \lambda_B)$	$\lambda_B > l_{\rm osc}$	$\mathcal{P}_{ m total} \simeq \kappa^2 B^2 l_{ m osc}^2 D / \triangle l_n$
	$(1 - 10^9 \text{Hz}(\Delta l > l - \Delta l > \lambda_{-}))$	$\lambda_B > l_{\rm osc}$	$\mathcal{P}_{\mathrm{total}} \simeq \kappa^2 B^2 l_{\mathrm{osc}}^2 D / \triangle l_n$
	$\omega_0 = 10^{\circ} \operatorname{Hz}(\bigtriangleup \iota_n > \iota_{\operatorname{osc}}, \bigtriangleup \iota_n > \lambda_B)$	$\lambda_B \lesssim l_{ m osc}$	$\mathcal{P}_{ m total}\simeq\kappa^2B^2\lambda_B D$
	$\omega_0 = 10^{12,15} \text{Hz}(\triangle l_n > l_{\text{osc}}, \triangle l_n > \lambda_B)$	$\lambda_B \lesssim l_{ m osc}$	$\mathcal{P}_{ m total} \simeq \kappa^2 B^2 \lambda_B D$
scale invariant (inflation)	$106II_{(Al > l > l > l > l > l > l > l > l > l >$	$\lambda_D \lesssim l_{ m osc} \lesssim \lambda_B$	$\mathcal{P}_{ m total}\simeq\kappa^2B^2l_{ m osc}D$
	$\omega_0 = 10^{\circ} \operatorname{Hz}(\Delta l_n > l_{\operatorname{osc}}, \lambda_B > l_{\operatorname{osc}})$	$l_{\rm osc} < \lambda_D < \lambda_B$	$\mathcal{P}_{\mathrm{total}} \simeq \kappa^2 B^2 l_{\mathrm{osc}}^2 D / \triangle l_n$
	$\omega_0 = 10^9 \text{Hz}(\triangle l_n > l_{\text{osc}})$	$\lambda_D \lesssim l_{ m osc} \lesssim \lambda_B$	$\mathcal{P}_{ m total}\simeq\kappa^2B^2l_{ m osc}D$
			$\mathcal{P}_{\text{total}} \simeq \kappa^2 B^2 \lambda_B D(\triangle l_n \gtrsim \lambda_B)$
		$\lambda_D < \lambda_B < \iota_{\rm osc}$	$\mathcal{P}_{\text{total}} \simeq \kappa^2 B^2 \triangle l_n D(\triangle l_n < \lambda_B)$
		$l_{\rm osc} < \lambda_D < \lambda_B$	$\mathcal{P}_{\mathrm{total}} \simeq \kappa^2 B^2 l_{\mathrm{osc}}^2 D / \triangle l_n$
	$10^{12}$ II $(\wedge l > l > l > l > l > l > l > l > l > l $	$\lambda_D \lesssim l_{\rm osc} \lesssim \lambda_B$	$\mathcal{P}_{ m total}\simeq\kappa^2B^2l_{ m osc}D$
	$\omega_0 = 10^{-4} \operatorname{Hz}(\bigtriangleup l_n > l_{\operatorname{osc}}, \lambda_D < l_{\operatorname{osc}})$	$\lambda_D < \lambda_B < l_{\rm osc}$	$\mathcal{P}_{\text{total}} \simeq \kappa^2 B^2 \lambda_B D$
	$\omega_0 = 10^{15} \mathrm{Hz}(\triangle l_n < l_{\mathrm{osc}}, \lambda_D < l_{\mathrm{osc}})$	$\lambda_D \lesssim l_{ m osc} \lesssim \lambda_B$	$\mathcal{P}_{\text{total}} \simeq \kappa^2 B^2 \triangle l_n D$
			$\mathcal{P}_{\text{total}} \simeq \kappa^2 B^2 \lambda_B D(\triangle l_n \gtrsim \lambda_B)$
		$\lambda_D < \lambda_B < \iota_{\rm osc}$	$\mathcal{P}_{\text{total}} \simeq \kappa^2 B^2 \triangle l_n D(\triangle l_n < \lambda_B)$
domain-like model	(1)	$\lambda_B > l_{\rm osc}$	$\mathcal{P}_{\mathrm{total}}\simeq\kappa^2B^2l_{\mathrm{osc}}^2D/\lambda_B$
	all $\omega_0(\lambda_B =  riangle l_n)$	$\lambda_B \lesssim l_{ m osc}$	$\mathcal{P}_{\text{total}} \simeq \kappa^2 B^2 \lambda_B D$

#### Axion-photon conversion

- Axion-like-particle,  $L_{a\gamma} = -\frac{1}{4} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} g_{a\gamma} F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} a$ .
- Similar dynamics for the ultra-relativistic ALP,

$$\left( \omega - i(1+z)\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}l} + M \right) \left( \begin{array}{c} A_x \\ A_y \\ a \end{array} \right) \; = \; 0, \qquad M = \left( \begin{array}{ccc} \Delta_{xx} & \Delta_{xy} & \frac{1}{2}g_{a\gamma}B_x \\ \Delta_{xy} & \Delta_{yy} & \frac{1}{2}g_{a\gamma}B_y \\ \frac{1}{2}g_{a\gamma}B_x & \frac{1}{2}g_{a\gamma}B_y & \Delta_a \end{array} \right)$$

• Potential to impact on radio wave:

1, The stronger coupling than graviton-photon mixing

2, ALP is massive. Under the mass-equal condition  $m_{\gamma} \simeq m_a$ , probability can be significantly enhanced, because oscillation length becomes large  $l_{osc} \simeq \frac{1}{\Delta_{pl} - \Delta_a}$ , where  $\Delta_{pl} = m_{\gamma}^2 / \omega$  and  $\Delta_a = m_a^2 / \omega$ 

#### Parameter space of interest

- Rough estimation: Graviton-photon case:  $\kappa \approx 10^{-19} GeV^{-1}$  $\omega \sim GHz$ ,  $l_{osc} \sim 10^{18} m$ ,  $\mathcal{P} \sim 10^{-26}$ ALP-photon case:  $g_{a\gamma} \approx 10^{-12} GeV^{-1}$ ,  $\omega \sim GHz$ ,  $l_{osc} \sim 10^{18} m$ ,  $\mathcal{P} \sim 10^{-12}$
- The effective mass of extragalactic plasma:  $m_a \approx 10^{-14} 10^{-12}$  eV.

The mass-equal resonance enlarge  $l_{osc}$ 



https://cajohare.github.io/AxionLimits/

#### Mass-equal resonance

- Two-level system with a time dependent Hamiltonian.
- As the time-dependent parameter varies, the energy levels approach each other and "cross", enhancing the transition between two energy/flavor states.
- MSW resonance: neutrino oscillation in varying matter density (solar sphere, earth atmosphere).
- Landau-Zener approach widely used in phenomena of atomic and molecular transition.



#### A refined perturbative approach

- To handle the Mass-equal resonance, we refine the perturbative approach as the graviton-photon case, by replacing the constant  $\Delta = \Delta_{pl} - \Delta_a$  (i.e. constant  $l_{osc}$ ) to a linear expansion  $\Delta(z) = \Delta(z_c) + (z - z_c)\Delta'(z_c)$  at interval  $z \in [z_i, z_f]$
- The conversion probability is

$$\mathcal{P}(z_{i}, z_{i+1}) = \frac{3\pi}{4(2\pi)^{2}} \frac{(1+z_{c})^{3} g_{a\gamma}^{2}}{H_{c} |\Delta'(z_{c})|} \int dk k^{2} P_{B}(k) W(t_{1}, t_{2})$$

$$W(t_{1}, t_{2}) = \begin{cases} |t_{1} - t_{2}|, & |t_{1}| < 1 & |t_{2}| < 1 \\ |t_{1} + 1|, & |t_{1}| < 1 & t_{2} < -1 \\ |t_{1} - 1|, & |t_{1}| < 1 & t_{2} > 1 \\ |t_{2} + 1|, & t_{1} < -1 & |t_{2}| < 1 \\ |t_{2} - 1|, & t_{1} > 1 & |t_{2}| < 1 \\ |t_{2} - 1|, & t_{1} > 1 & |t_{2}| < 1 \\ 2, & t_{1} < -1 & t_{2} > 1 & \text{or } t_{1} > 1 & t_{2} < -1 \\ \simeq 0, & \text{others} \end{cases}$$

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#### Two limit of the probability

1, In mass-equal resonance when  $\Delta(z_{res}) = 0$ , the conversion probability for a monochromatic case during the redshift interval  $\epsilon z_{res}$  is

$$\mathcal{P} \simeq 8.6 * 10^{-4} \left( \frac{g_{a\gamma}}{10^{-12} \text{GeV}^{-1}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{B_0}{\text{nGs}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{\omega_0}{\text{GHz}} \right) \left( \frac{m_a}{10^{-12} \text{eV}} \right)^{1/3} \text{Min} \left( \epsilon z_{res} \left( \frac{\text{GHz}}{\omega_0} \right) \left( \frac{\lambda_B}{\text{kpc}} \right), 1 \right).$$

- Landau-Zener approximation gives almost the same result without Min- function.
- Landau-Zener approximation is based on the domain like model, thus only valid when  $\lambda_B > W_r$  with  $W_r$  the resonance width.
- Our approach can extend to the case with arbitrary small  $\lambda_B$ , where a suppression is revealed as a consequence of stochastic nature.
- 2, slowly varying oscillation length  $\Delta'\!\ll 1$
- When  $-1 < t_1 \simeq t_2 < 1$ , equivalent to  $\lambda_B \lesssim l_{osc}$ , the probability is

$$\mathcal{P} \simeq \frac{3}{32} z_c^2 g_{a\gamma}^2 B_0^2 \lambda_B \Delta l,$$

• reduce to previous result of linear growth pattern

#### Two typical cases of ALP mass

- Peak in small and large redshift  $z \sim 20$  and  $z \sim 100$  (aim to impact on 21cm)
- Sharp feature at mass-equal redshift, MSW-type resonance
- Soft feature when  $l_{osc} \gtrsim \lambda_B$  (red circle), Stochastic resonance



#### Radio Excess

- ARCADE2 and other lower low-frequency surveys have detected an excess in radio emission at frequency 22MHz-10GHz, fitted as  $T - T_0 = 869.3 \text{K} \left(\frac{f}{78MHz}\right)^{-2.6}$
- Minimal extra-galactic radiation contributes ~20% of the observed excess.
- Parameter  $r = T^{AP}/T^{obs}|_{78MHz}$
- Axion induced radiation has power-law scaling as  $f^{-2}$
- Our model superimposing on Minimal Extra-galactic radiation can be best fitted with  $\chi^2_{min} = 49 \ (12 \ d.o.f)$ , which is  $5\sigma$  away from the Minimal Extra-galactic radiation model ( $\chi^2 = 117$ ).
- Green region denotes the  $5\sigma$  improvement to the null hypothesis. Overlaps with the region bounded by  $r \simeq 0.03$  and  $r \simeq 0.15$



#### 21cm absorption

- Another anomalous radio signal is the 21cm hydrogen line absorption, detected by EDGES.
- The absorption trough exhibits depth of  $-0.5^{+0.2}_{-0.5}$ K at around 78MHz, which is twice deeper than the value predicted in SM at 99% C.L.
- Two solutions:  $T_{21cm} \sim 1 \frac{T_R}{T_{gas}}$
- 1, cooling of the gas temperature  $T_{gas}$  through interaction with CDM

2, heating the background  $T_R$  by additional photon injection from Dark Radiation



## 21cm absorption

- Taking into account the energy transfer between total radiation background and intergalactic medium.
- A deep trough at high redshift is predicted for  $m_a \sim 10^{-13}$  eV, as the mass-equal resonance is excited at higher redshift.
- Heating process driven by Lyman- $\alpha$  and X-ray flux are determined by normalized emissivity factors  $f_{\alpha}$  and  $f_X$ , which is highly model-dependent regarding the star formation and dynamics.



• degeneracy between  $f_{\alpha}$  ,  $f_X$  and the star formation efficiency  $f_*$ 



#### Conclusion

- We observed the broad resonance with a linear growth pattern for the particle-mixing in a stochastic background.
- The resonant condition is different for peaked and scale invariant spectra.
- Taking into account the evolution of PMF, the conversion probability distribution in  $B \lambda_B$  parameter space is different to results obtained from domain-like model.
- Apply our model in the ALP-photon mixing, we can give a simultaneous explanation on Radio excess and 21cm absorption signal.

#### Future work

- Consider the Gamma-ray physics in high energy regime (LHASSO experiment).
- Consider the cosmic string/ PBH with a correlated analysis on EM and GW phenomena
- Generalize to nonlinear electrodynamics and f(R) gravity scenario.
- It is much likely that conversion probability in the stochastic background has a universal scaling property given by a simple formula  $\mathcal{P} \approx \lambda_B W_R$ , where  $W_R$  is the width of the resonant region determined by  $\lambda_B < l_{osc}$ . (work in progress)

# Thank you

## Evolution of PMF

- See Review Ruth Durrer, Andrii Neronov, "Cosmological Magnetic Fields: Their Generation, Evolution and Observation"
- Phase transition (Electroweak and QCD) survive in narrow stripe region today
- The broad region can be fulfilled by (nearly) scale invariant spectrum with different  $k_{IR}$ : the larger  $\lambda_{IR}$ , the smaller  $k_{IR}$ , the earlier start time of megnetogenesis during inflation.



#### Brightness temperature

• Transition from ALPs to photons proportional to the conversion probability

 $\Omega_{\gamma}(\omega, T(z)) = \Omega_{ALP}(\omega, T(z)) \mathcal{P}^{tot}(\omega, z).$ 

• Brightness temperature from ALPs at frequency  $\omega$  and temperature T (redshift dependent) is

$$T_b(\omega,T) = \frac{\pi^4}{15} \left(\frac{T}{\omega}\right)^3 \frac{\Omega_{\gamma}(\omega,T)}{\mathbf{\Omega}_{\gamma}(T)} T = \frac{\pi^4}{15} \frac{T^4}{\omega^3} \frac{\Omega_{ALP}(\omega,T)}{\mathbf{\Omega}_{\gamma}(T)} \mathcal{P}^{tot}(\omega,z),$$

• Brightness temperature at present time is,  $T_b(\omega_0) = \frac{\pi^4}{15} \frac{T_0^4}{\omega_0^3} \frac{\Omega_{ALP0}(\omega_0)}{\Omega_{\gamma 0}} \mathcal{P}^{tot}(\omega_0).$ 

which is used in simulation and compared to ARCADE2. Here  $\mathcal{P}^{tot}(\omega_0)$  is the total conversion probability accumulated from recombination until now.

• Brightness temperature at any redshift with comoving 21cm frequency  $\tilde{\omega} = 2\pi * 1.4 GHz/(1 + z)$  is

$$T_b(z) \; = \; \frac{\pi^4}{15} \left( \frac{T_0}{\widetilde{\omega}} \right)^3 \frac{\Omega_{ALP}(\widetilde{\omega})}{\mathbf{\Omega}_{\gamma}} \mathcal{P}^{tot}(\widetilde{\omega}, z) T_0(1+z),$$

• Including the CMB radiation, the total temperature relevant to 21cm physics at given redshift is  $T_b(z) + T_0(1+z)$ , which is used in simulation and compared to EDGES.

#### Parameter space of ALP

- Assuming a frequency-independent spectrum for the abundance of ALPs in this work, thus ALP energy density is  $\Omega_{ALP} \simeq \Omega_{ALP}(\omega)$
- Ratio of ALP to photon energy density is constrained by  $\Omega_{ALP}/\Omega_0 = 0.23\Delta N_{eff} \lesssim 0.06$  with the extra effective number of neutrino species  $\Delta N_{eff} \lesssim 0.3$  (*Planck*)
- For ALP abundance to satisfy  $\Delta N_{eff}$  constraint, they must decouple from the primordial plasma at an energy scale  $\geq 0.1$  GeV ( $\simeq 0.1$  GeV to saturate the  $\Delta N_{eff}$  bound)
- Within this same parameter range, ALPs can also exist as non-relativistic particles. With a significantly suppressed misalignment angle,  $\theta \sim 0.01$ , these non-relativistic ALPs could be CMD

