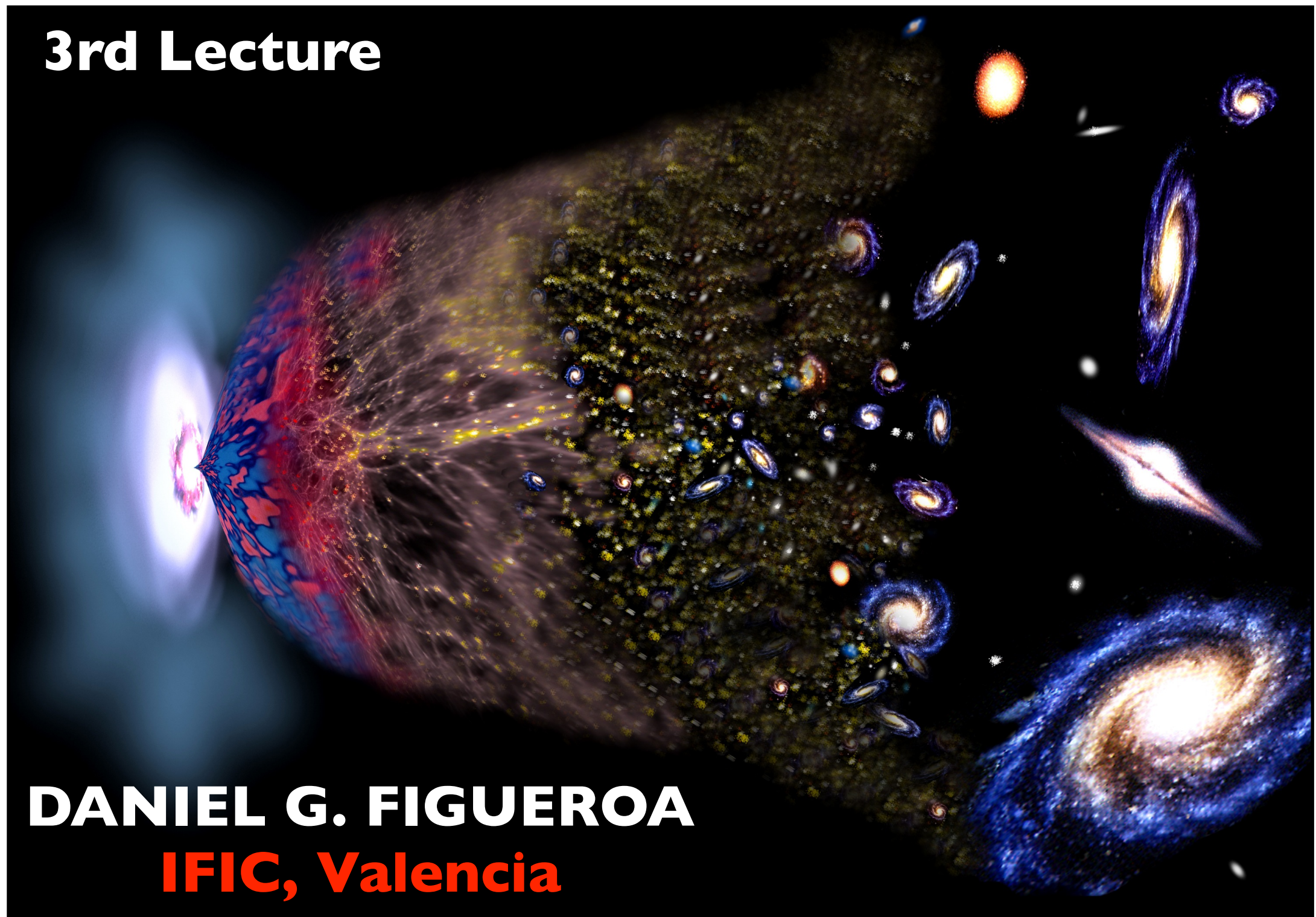


GRAVITATIONAL WAVE — BACKGROUNDS —

3rd Lecture



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4th approach

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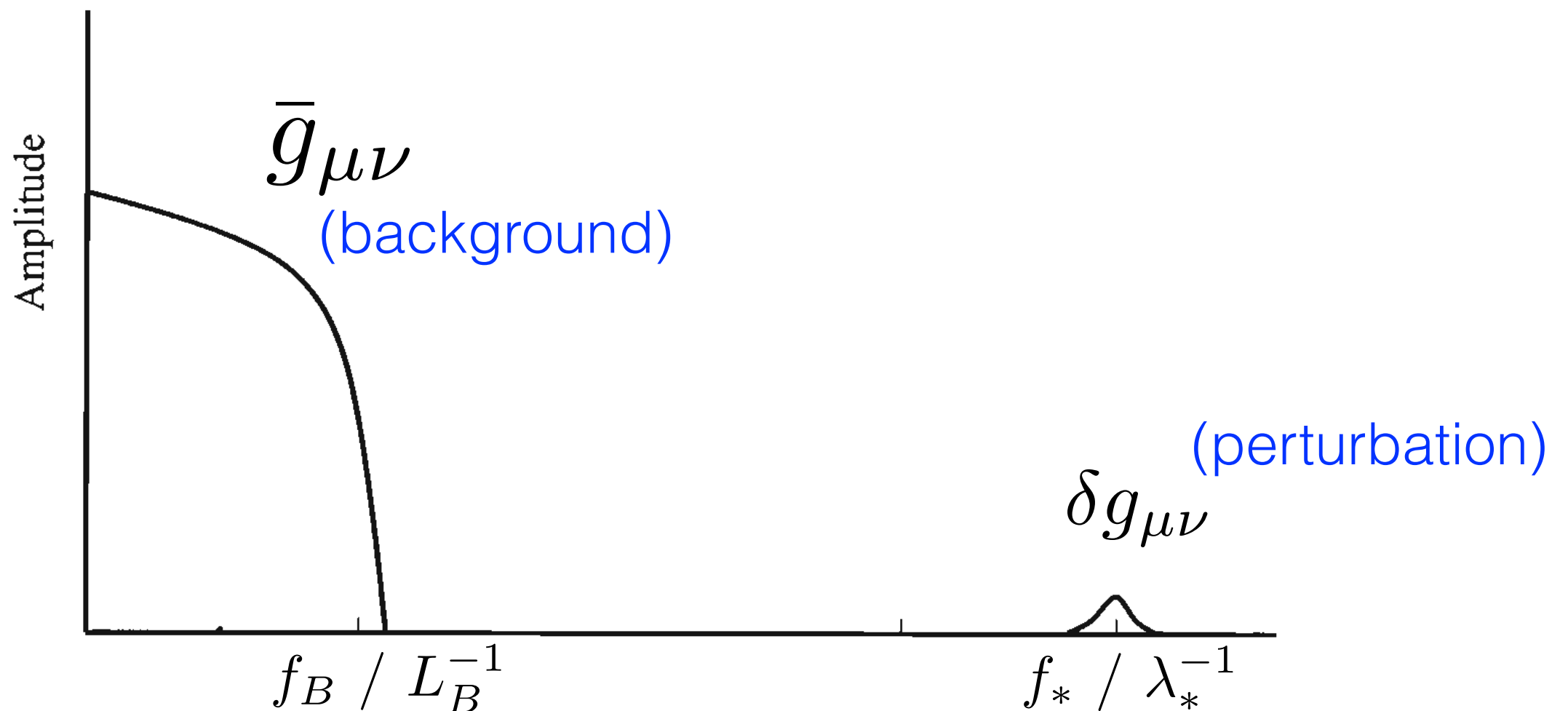
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See e.g.
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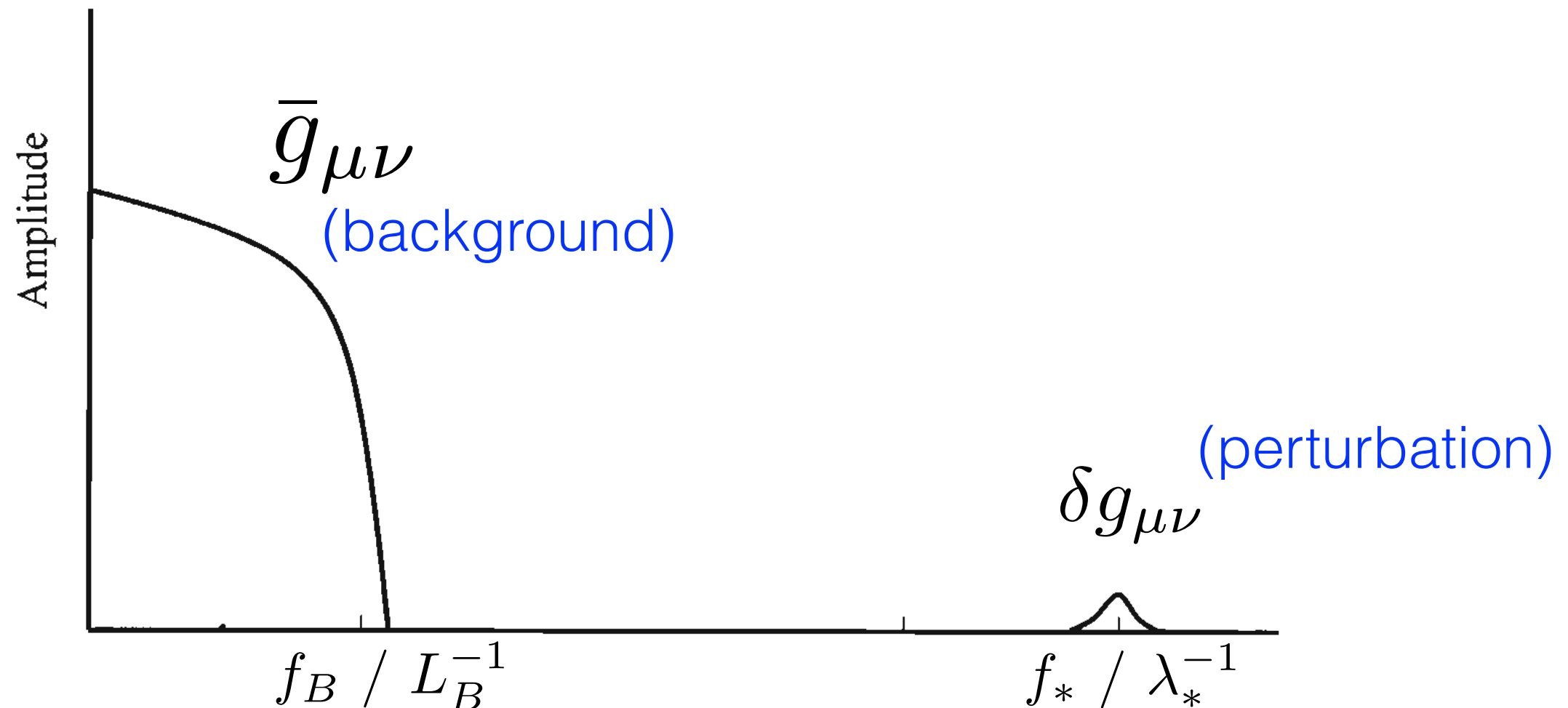
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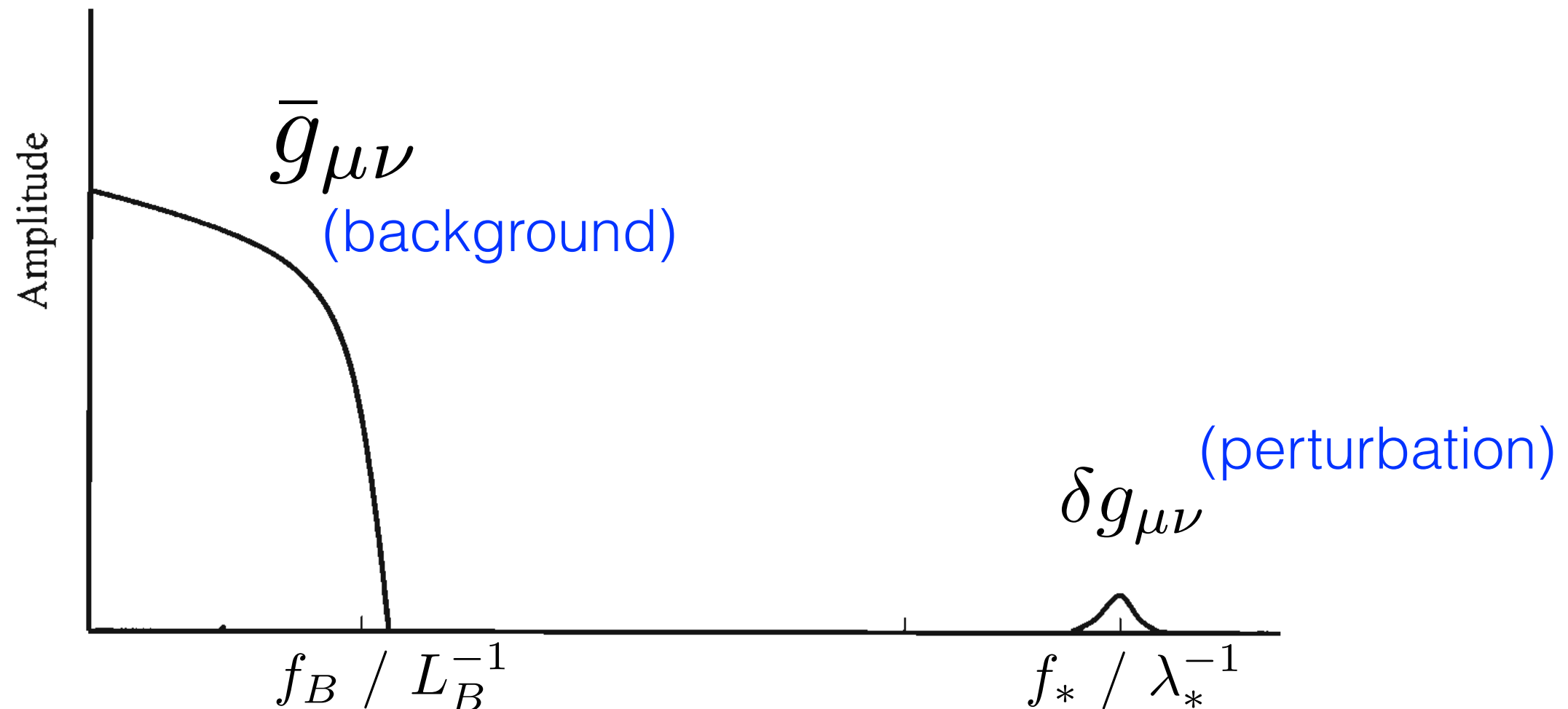


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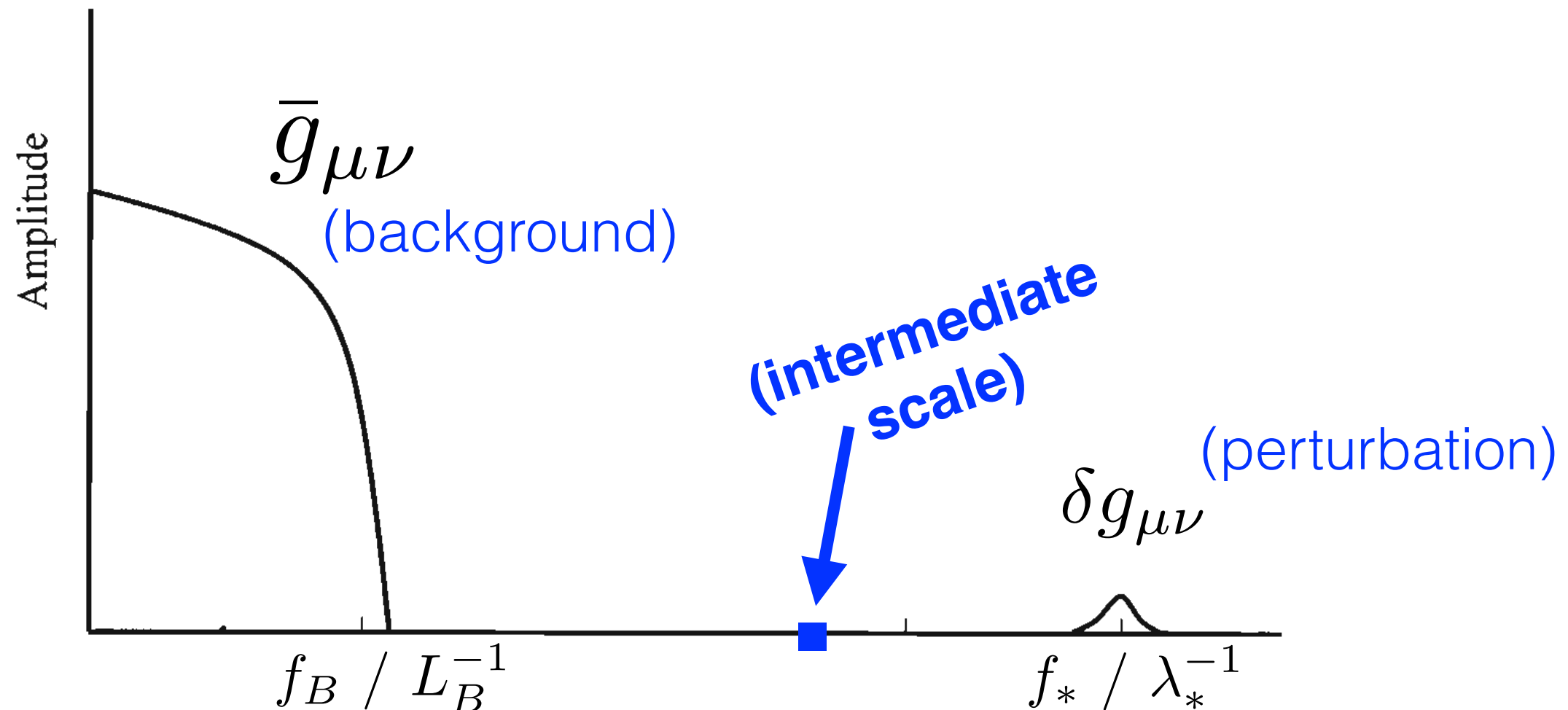


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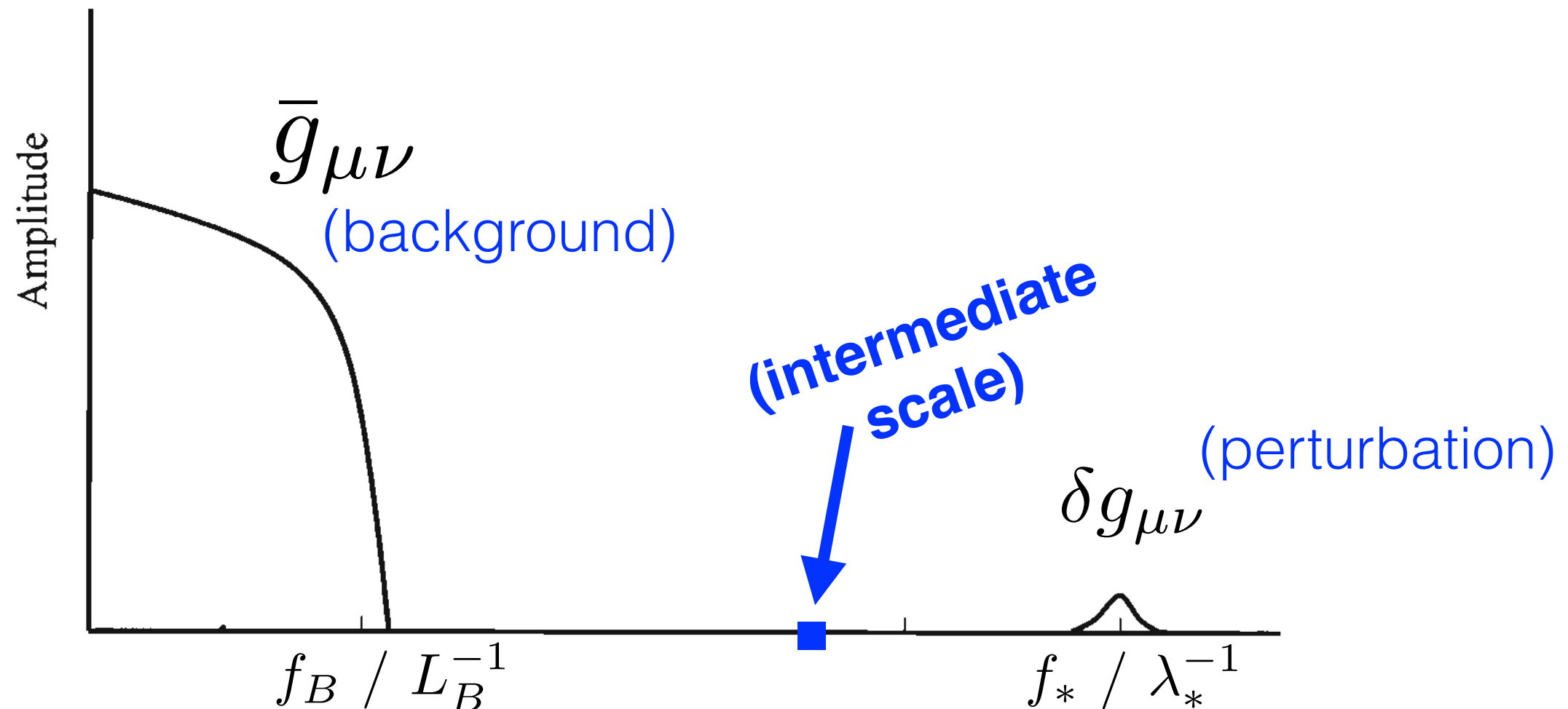
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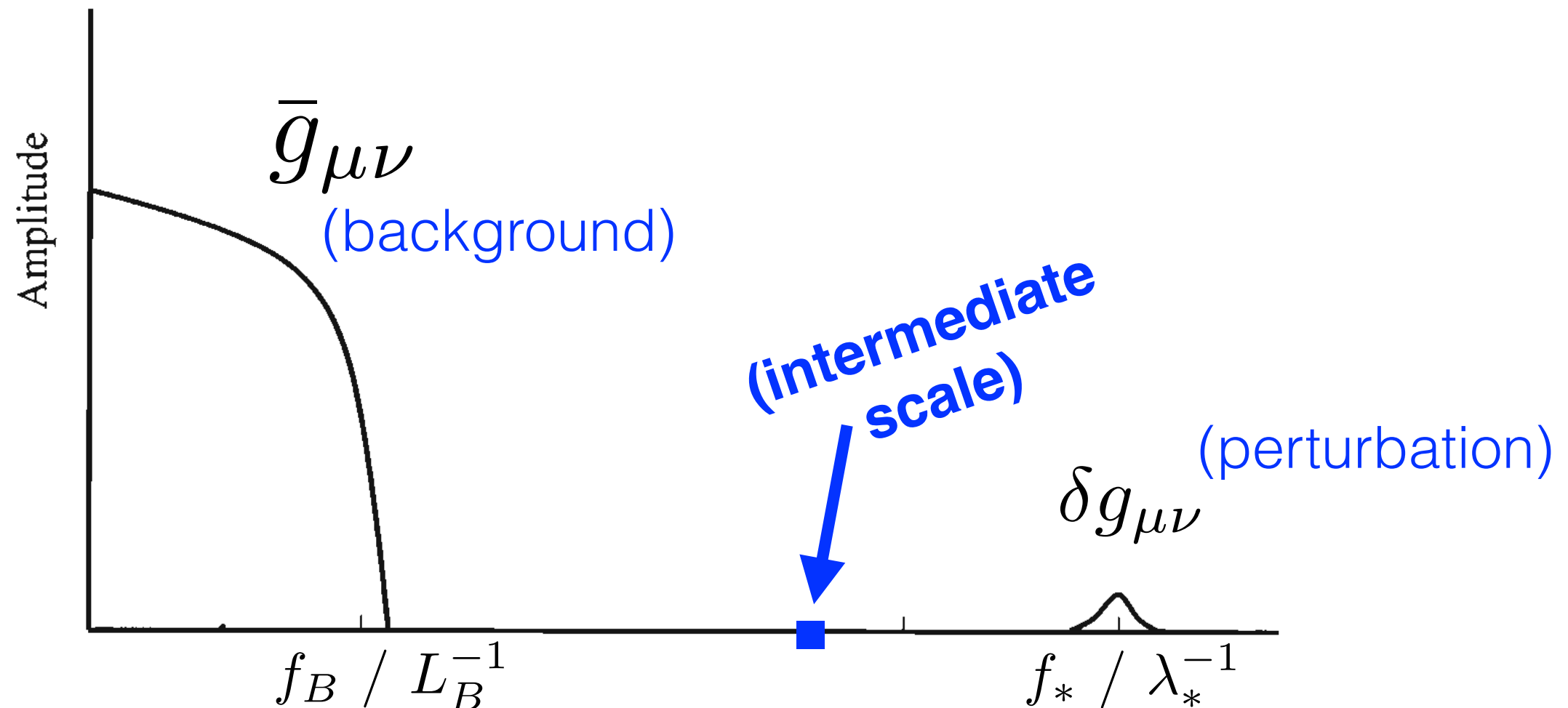


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Creation of GWs
in curved space-time
TT dof = truly radiative !
[no gauge choice]

Definition of GWs

- * 1st approach: Lin Grav in Minkowski ✓
- * 2nd approach: SVT decomp. ✓
- * 3rd approach: FLRW background ✓
- * 4rd approach: General backgrounds ✓

**Before we move into
the 2nd Bloc...**

Some perspective

GW Propagation/Creation in Cosmology

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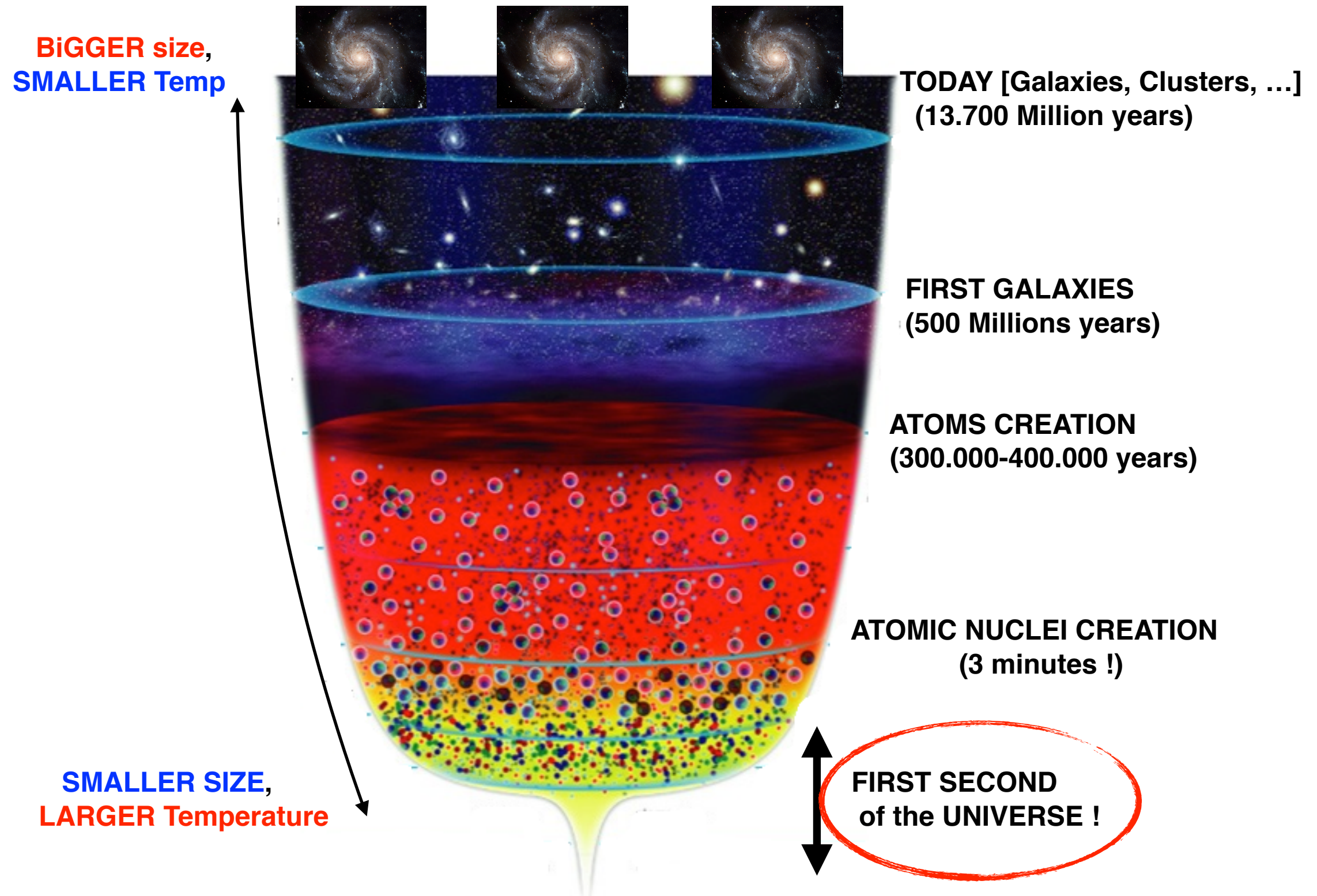
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GW Source(s): (SCALARS , VECTOR , FERMIONS)

$\Pi_{ij}^{TT} \propto \{\partial_i \chi^a \partial_j \chi^a\}^{TT}, \{E_i E_j + B_i B_j\}^{TT}, \{\bar{\psi} \gamma_i D_j \psi\}^{TT}$

Cosmic History



OUTLINE

1st Bloc

1) Cosmology/GR + GW def. ✓

2nd Bloc

2) GWs from Inflation

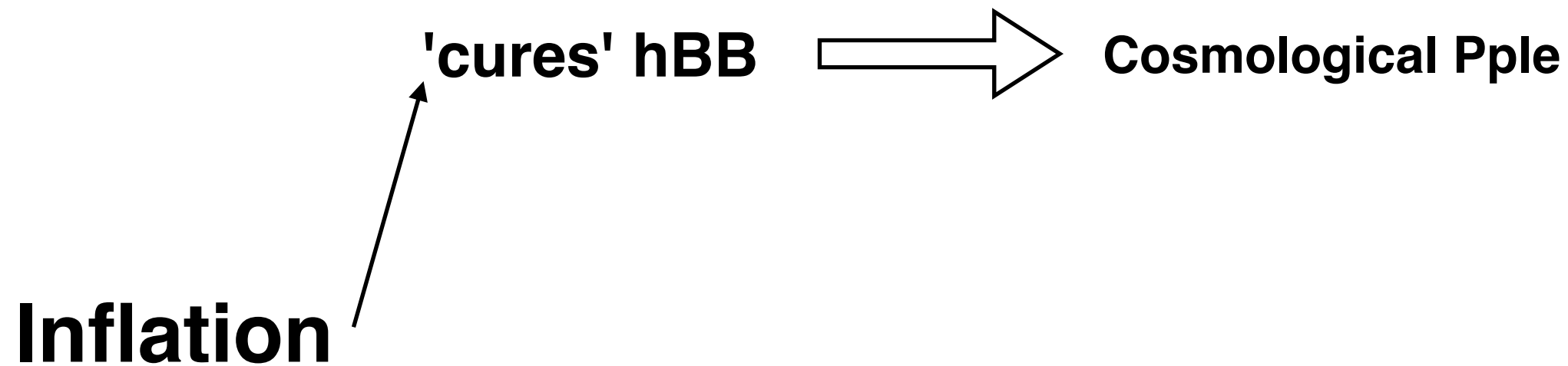
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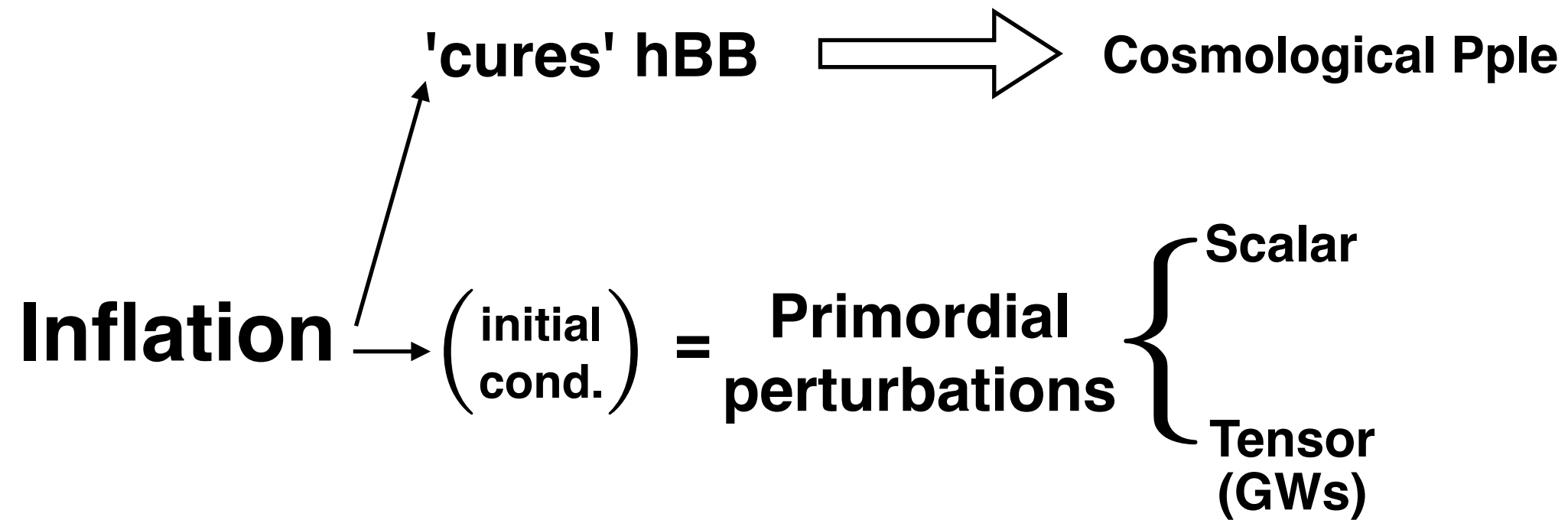
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A primer on Inflation

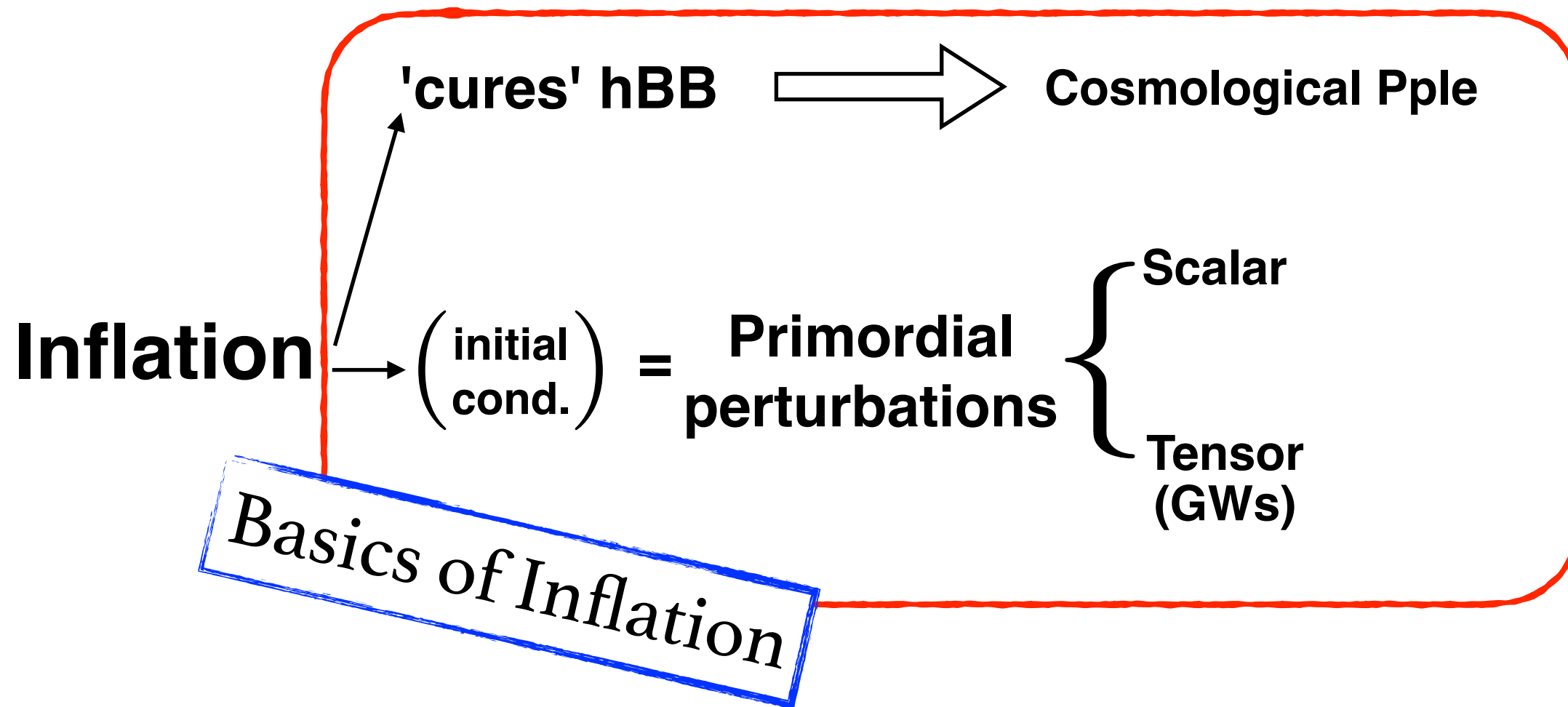
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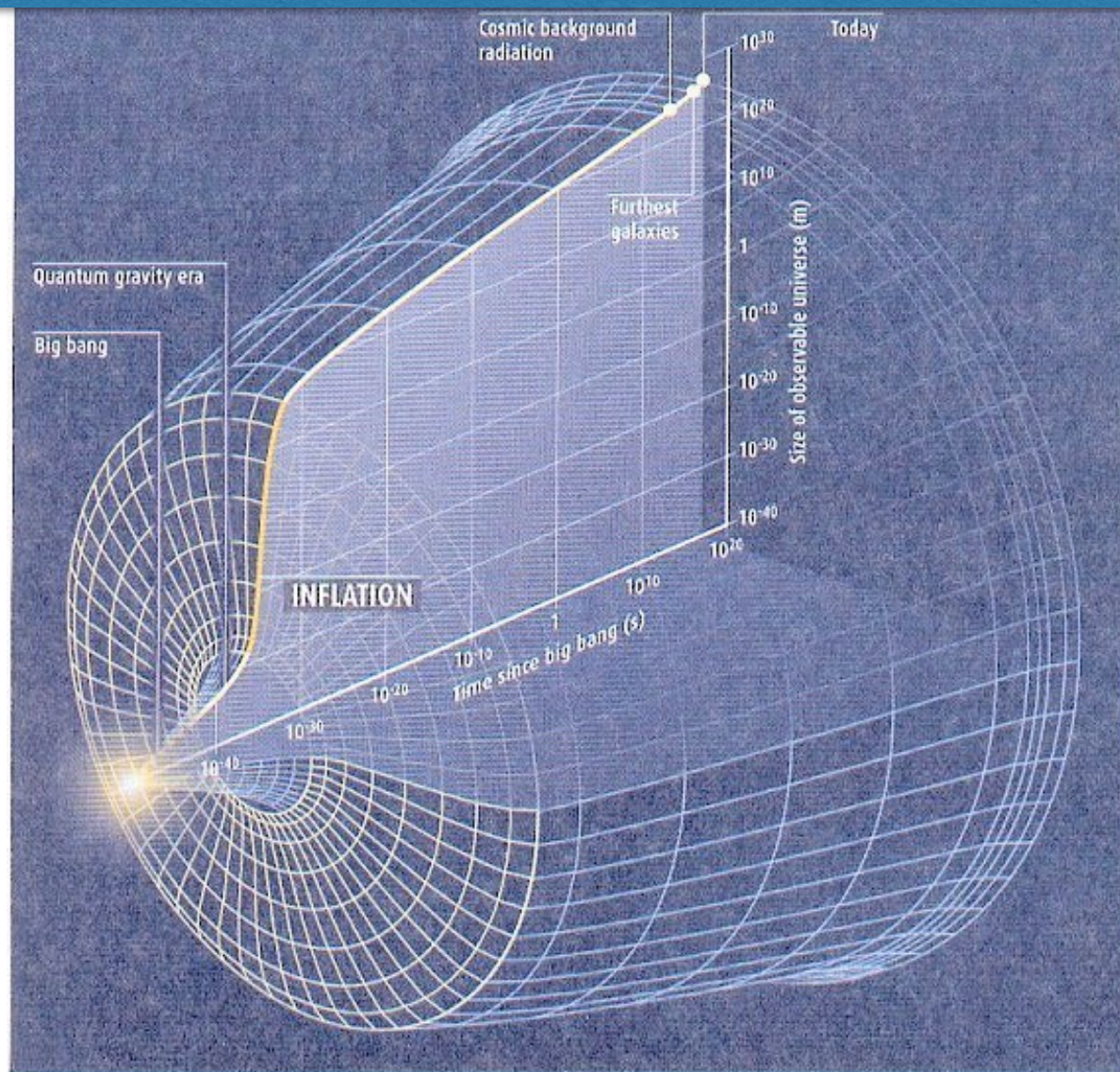


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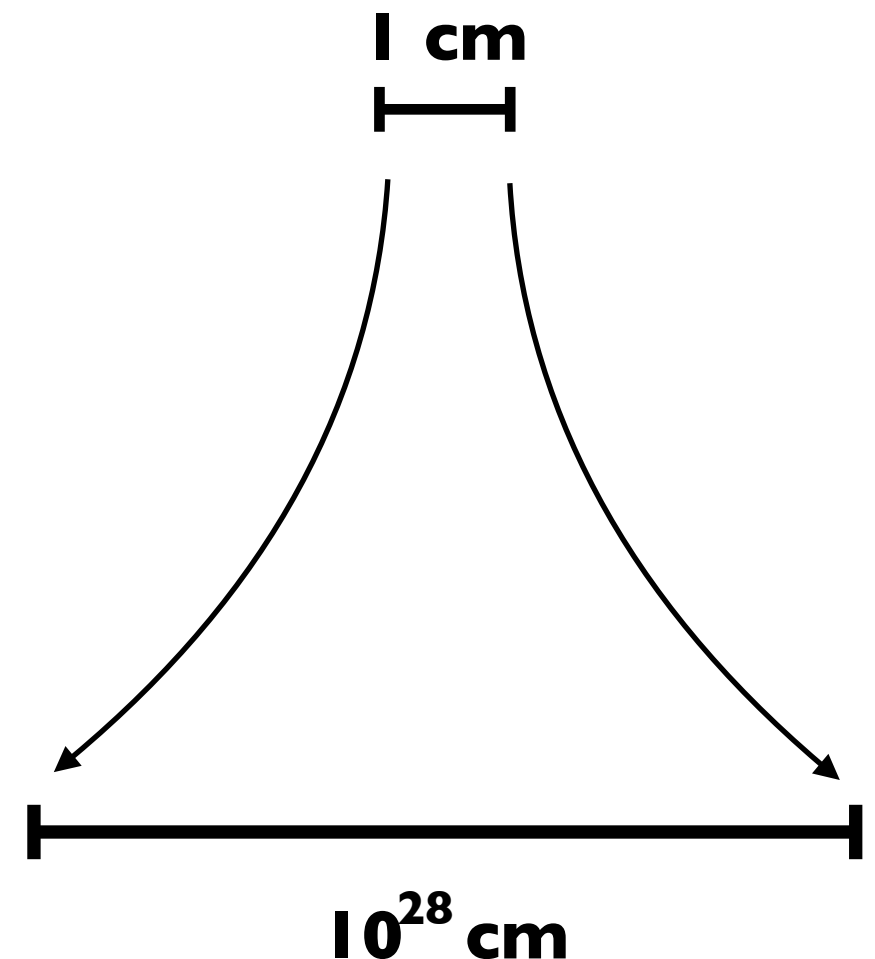
Inflation (basics)

COSMIC INFLATION



Needed for **Consistency** of
the **Big Bang** theory

$$a \sim e^{H_* t} \gtrsim e^{60}$$



Inflation: Definition + Implementation

INF

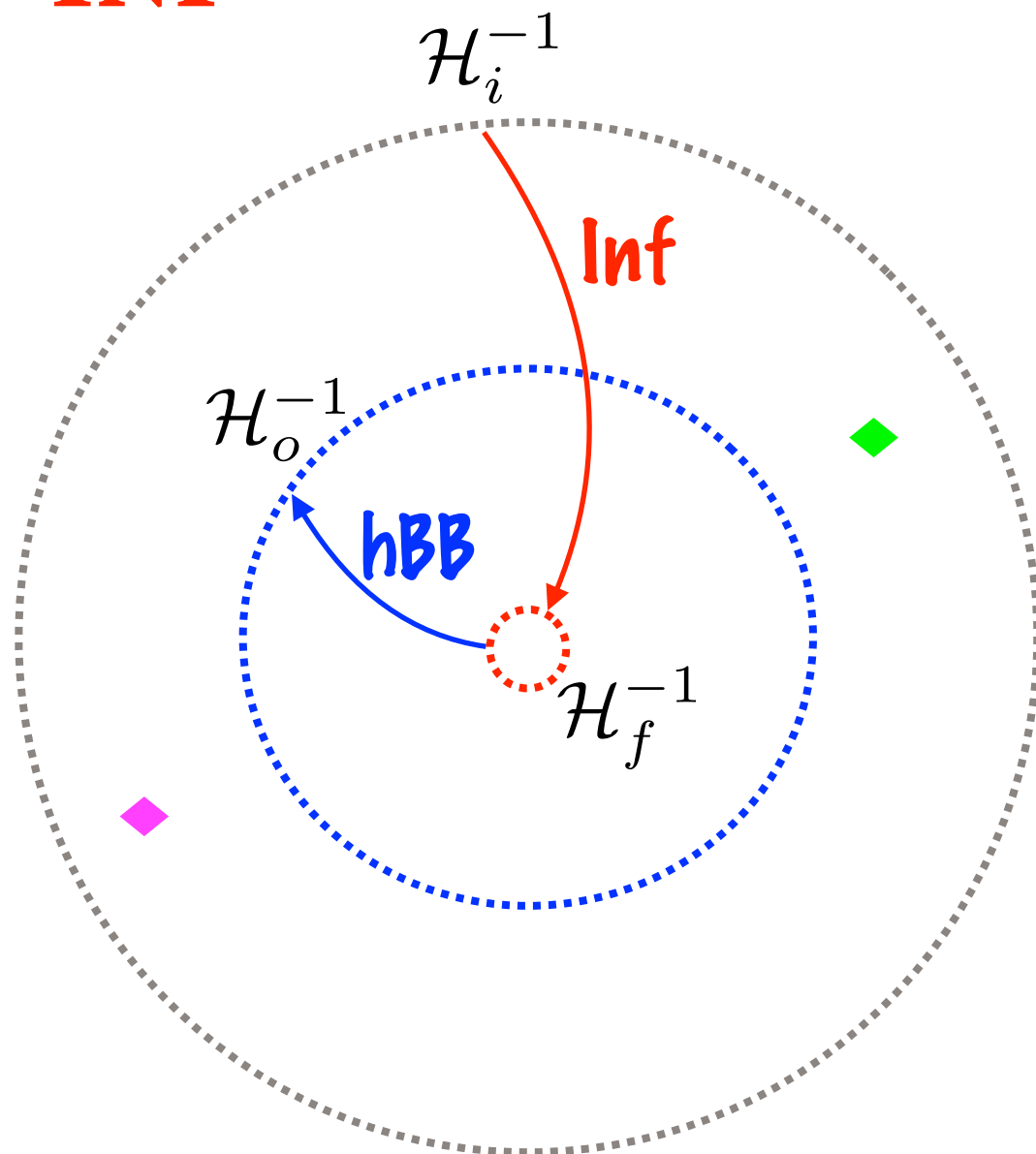
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$$\frac{a_f}{a_i} \equiv e^N \quad (\# \text{ e-folds})$$

$$\begin{aligned} N &\geq \log(\mathcal{H}_f / \mathcal{H}_o) = \log(E_f / E_o) \\ &\gtrsim 60 + \log(E_f [\text{GeV}] / 10^{16}) \end{aligned}$$

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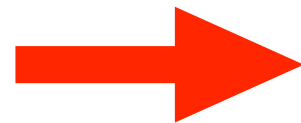
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SR \Rightarrow quasi dS for $\Delta N = 60$



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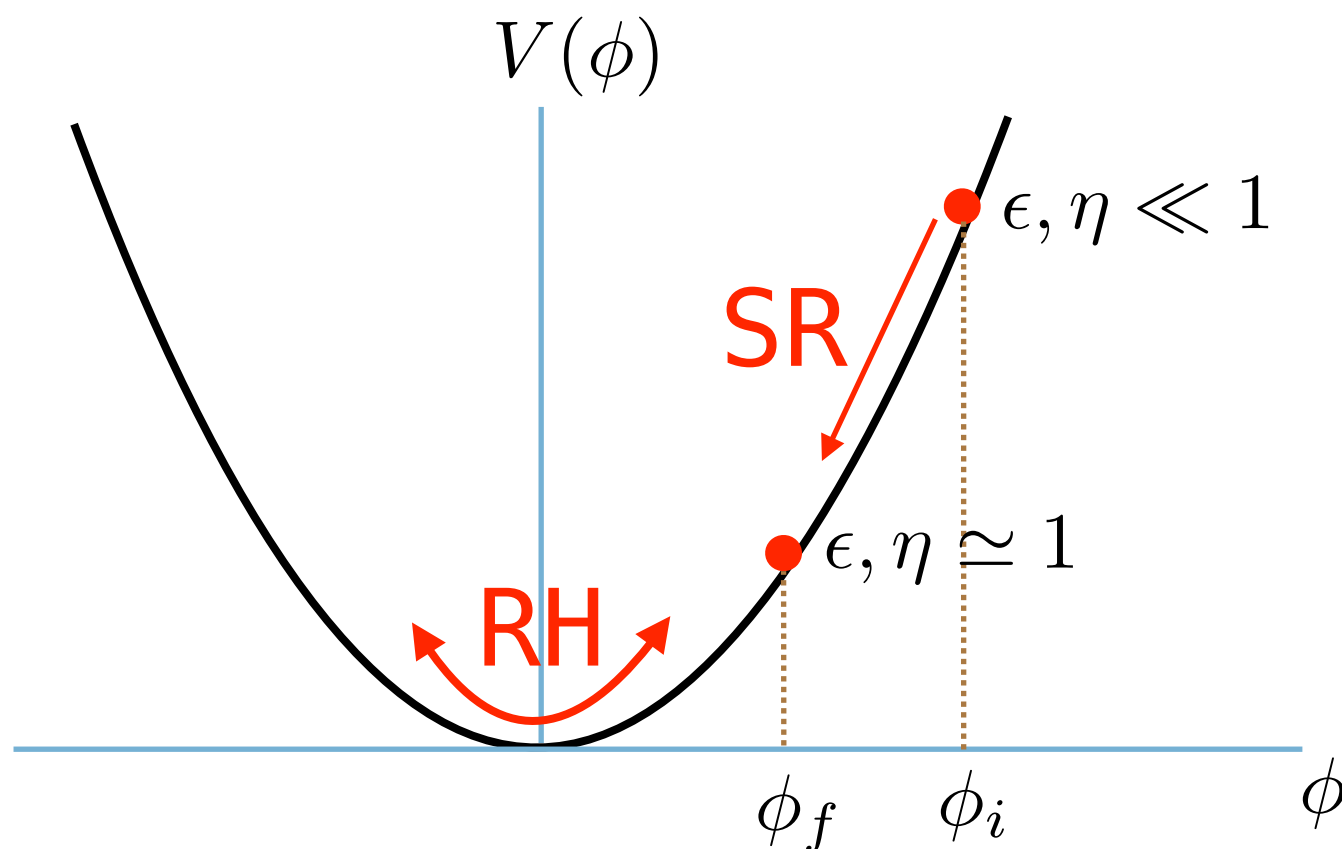
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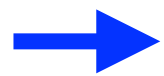
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**'Inflating' is easy
with any potential
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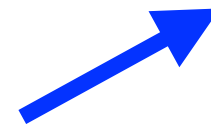
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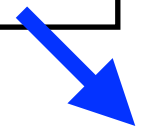


SR:

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{ccc} \epsilon, \eta \ll 1 & \rightarrow & \epsilon, \eta \simeq 1 \\ \text{(Start)} & \text{---} & \text{(End)} \end{array}}$$



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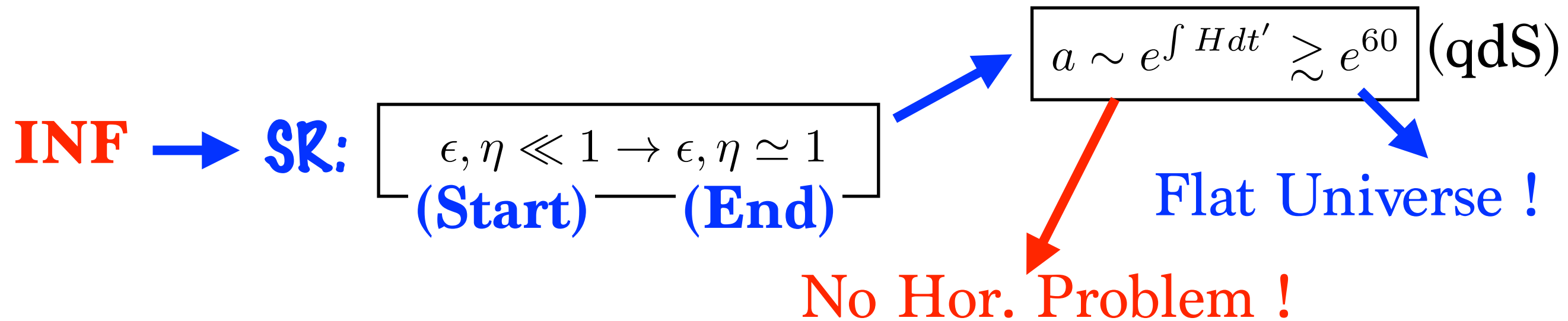


Flat Universe !



No Hor. Problem !

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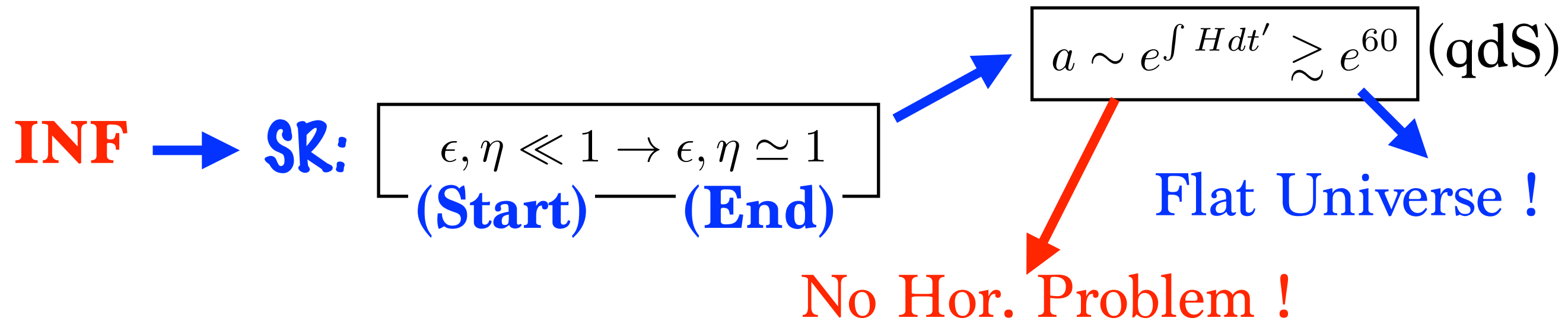


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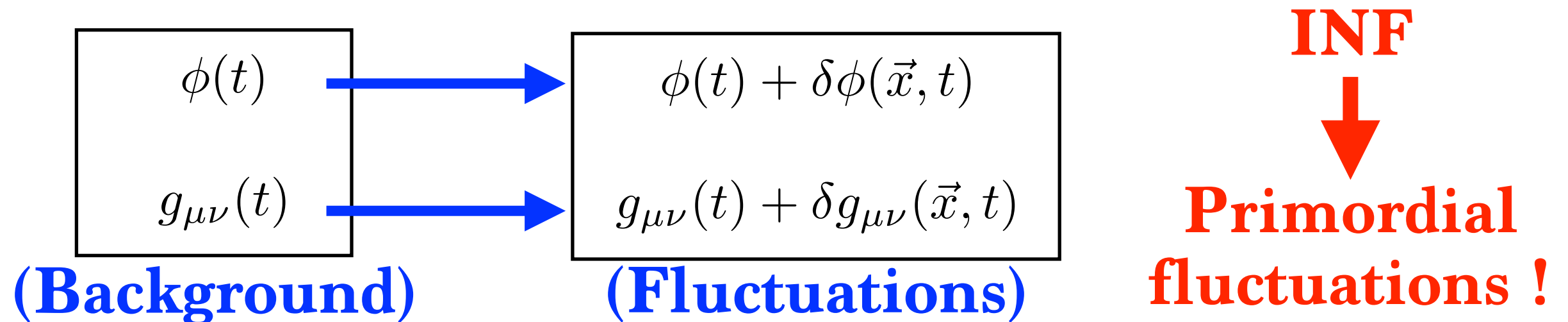
$$\boxed{\begin{array}{c} \phi(t) \\ g_{\mu\nu}(t) \end{array}}$$

(Background)

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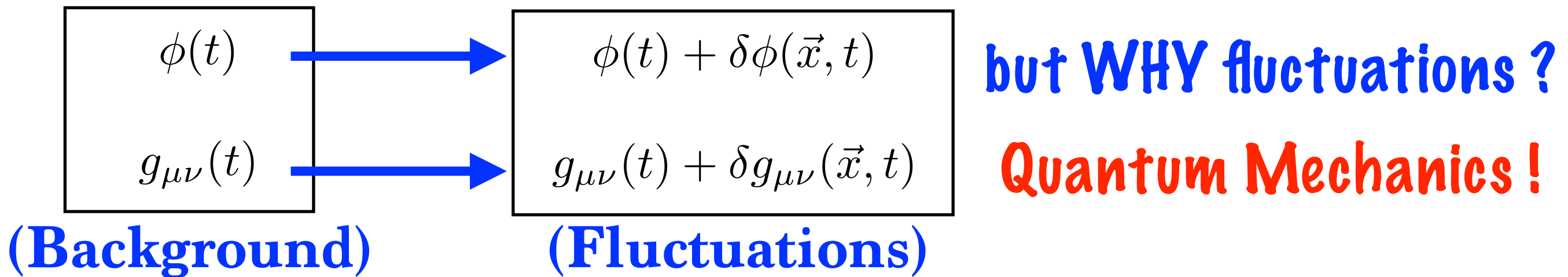


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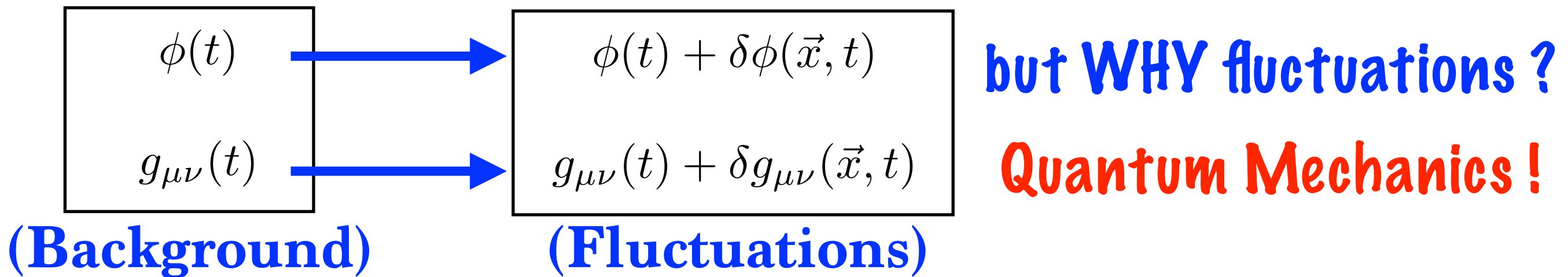
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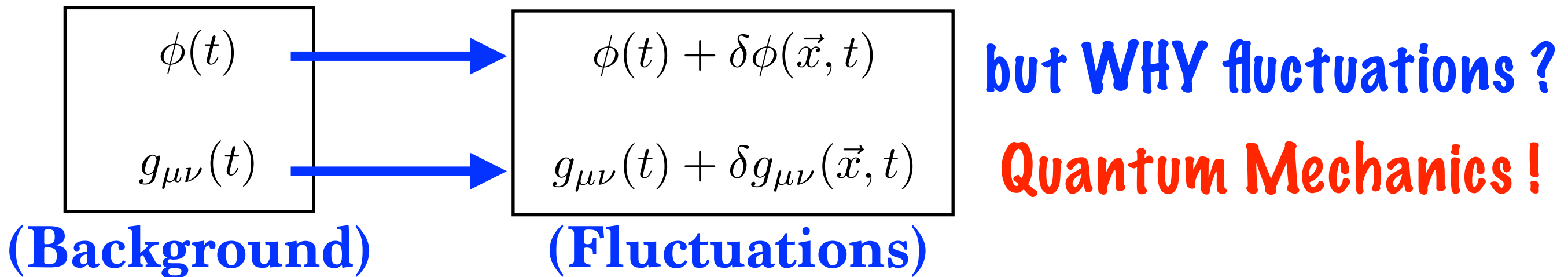


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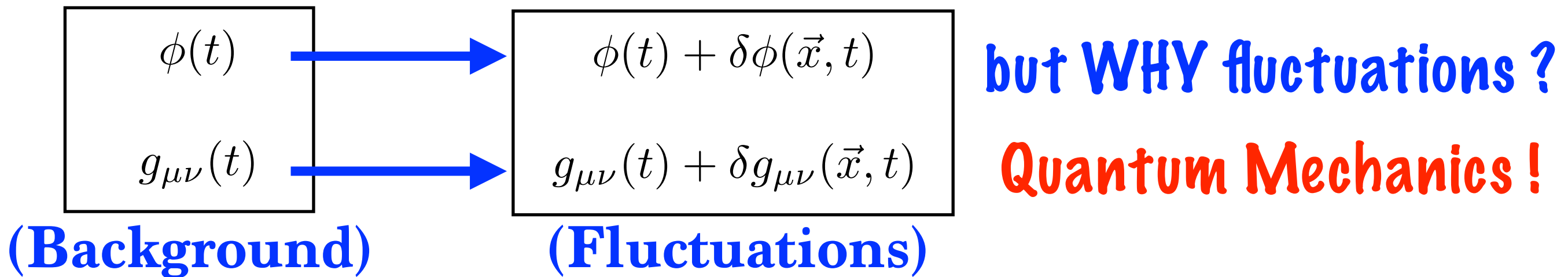
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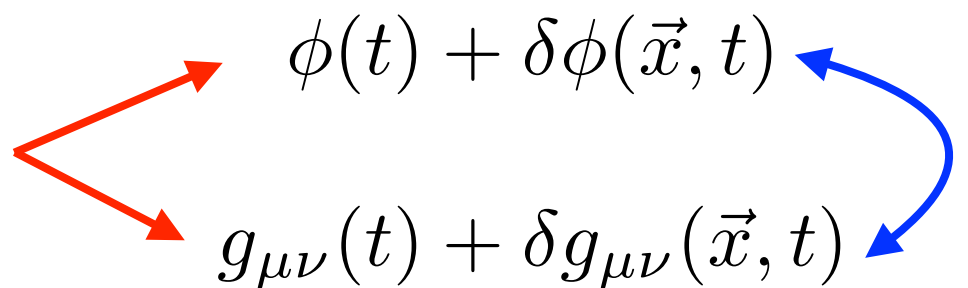
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The diagram shows two red arrows originating from the curly braces in the action formula. The top arrow points to the expression $\phi(t) + \delta\phi(\vec{x}, t)$, and the bottom arrow points to the expression $g_{\mu\nu}(t) + \delta g_{\mu\nu}(\vec{x}, t)$. A blue curved arrow connects these two expressions, indicating their relationship in the context of curved space.

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Expanding U. \longrightarrow Vector Perturbations $S_i, F_i \propto \frac{1}{a}$

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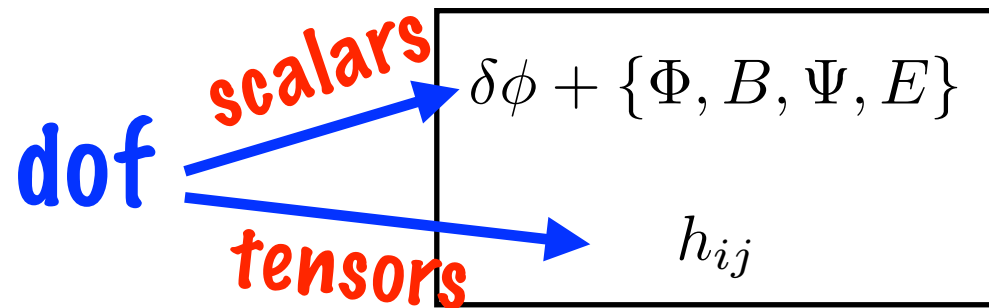
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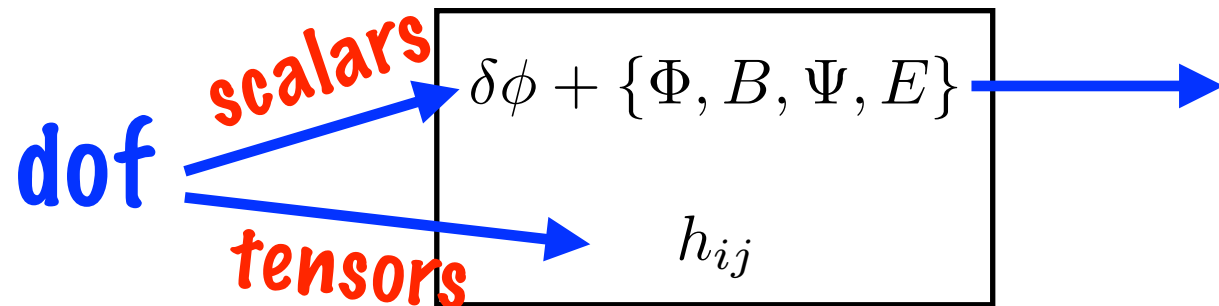
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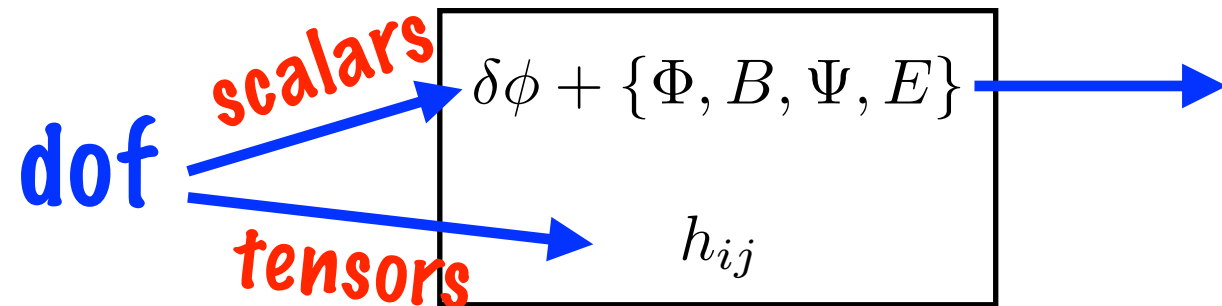
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Fixing Gauge: e.g.

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**Curvature
Pert.**


**Tensor
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**Background
Inflationary dynamics**

(UV limit: deep inside Hubble radius)

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$\left[v \equiv z\mathcal{R}, \quad z \equiv a \frac{\dot{\phi}}{H} \right]$ (Mukhanov variable)

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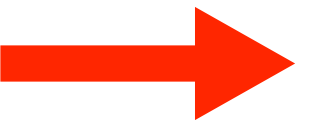
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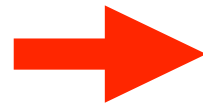
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(k << aH)

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Dimensionless Scalar PS

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$$h_{ij}(\vec{k}, \tau) = \epsilon_{ij}^{(s)} h_{\vec{k}}^{(s)} \longrightarrow v^{(s)} \equiv \frac{a}{2} m_p h_{\vec{k}}^{(s)}$$

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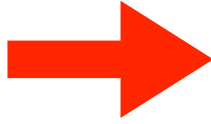
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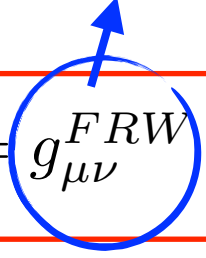
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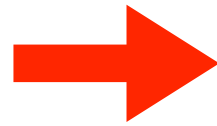
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**Quantum
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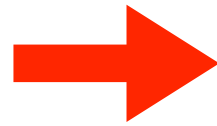
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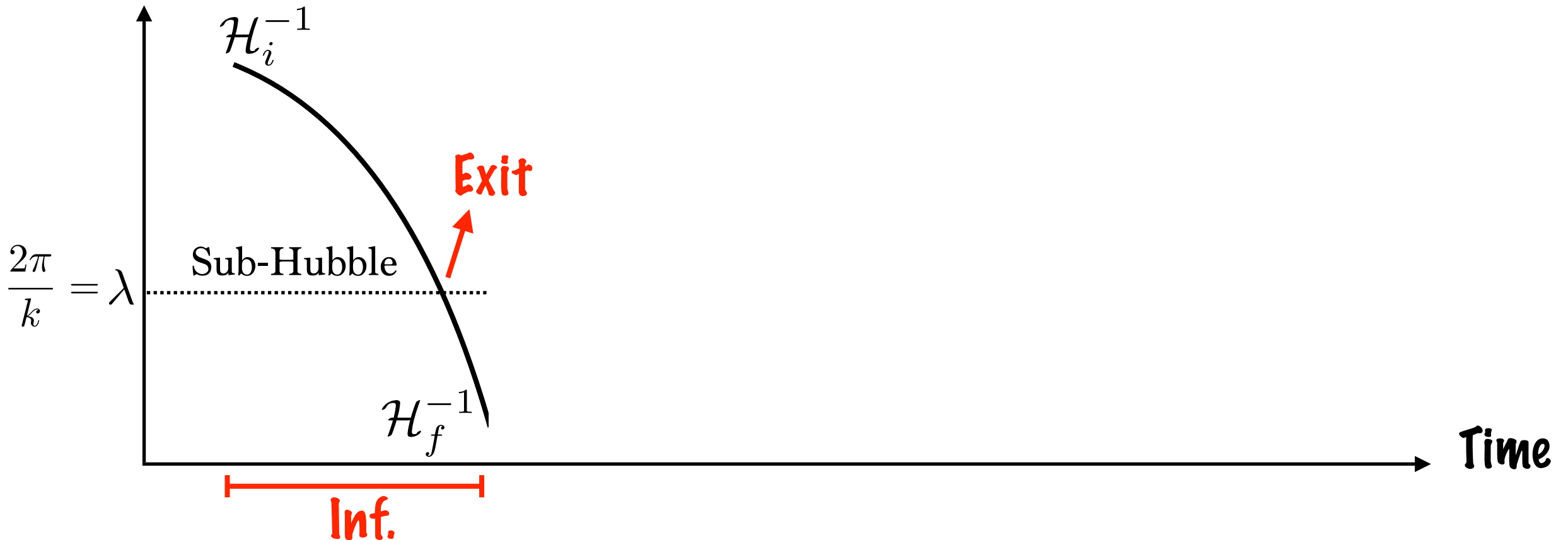
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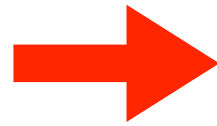
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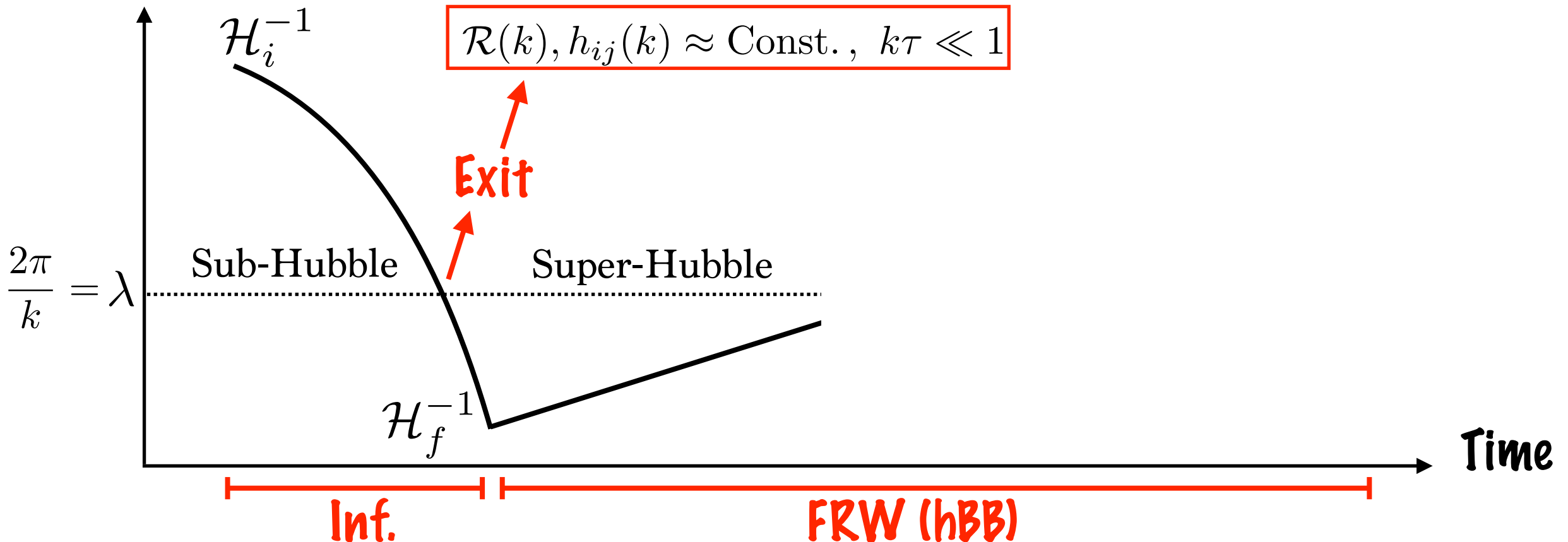
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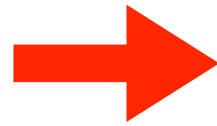
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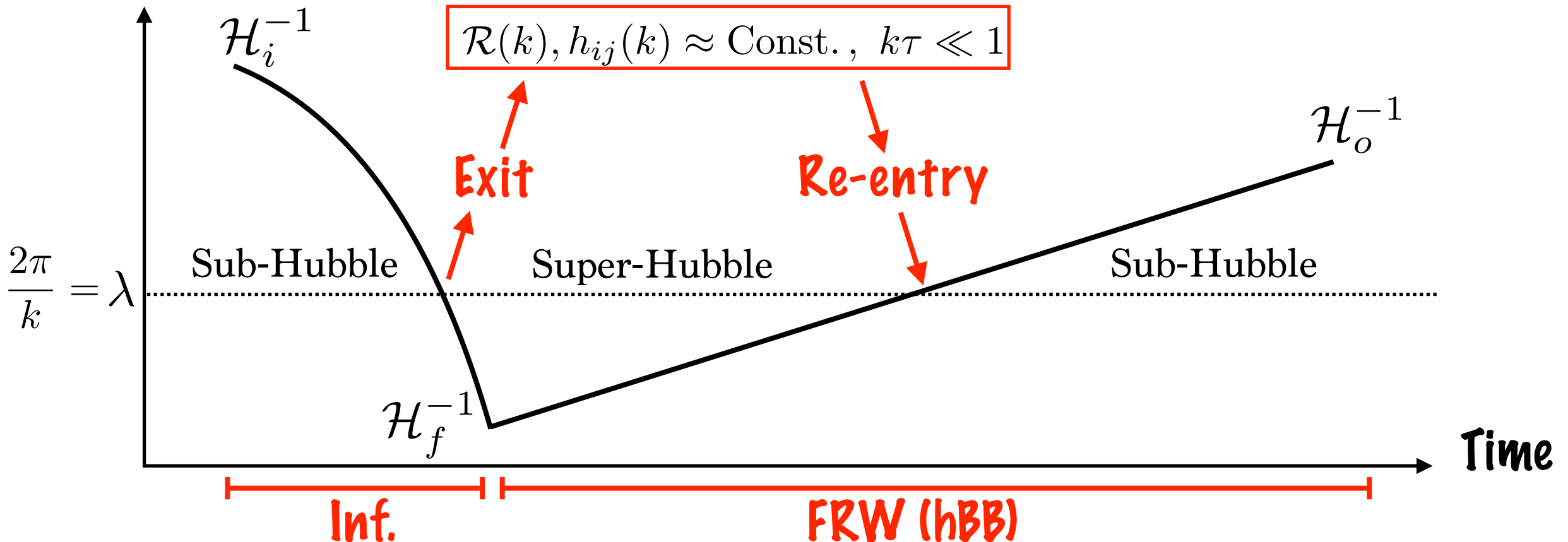
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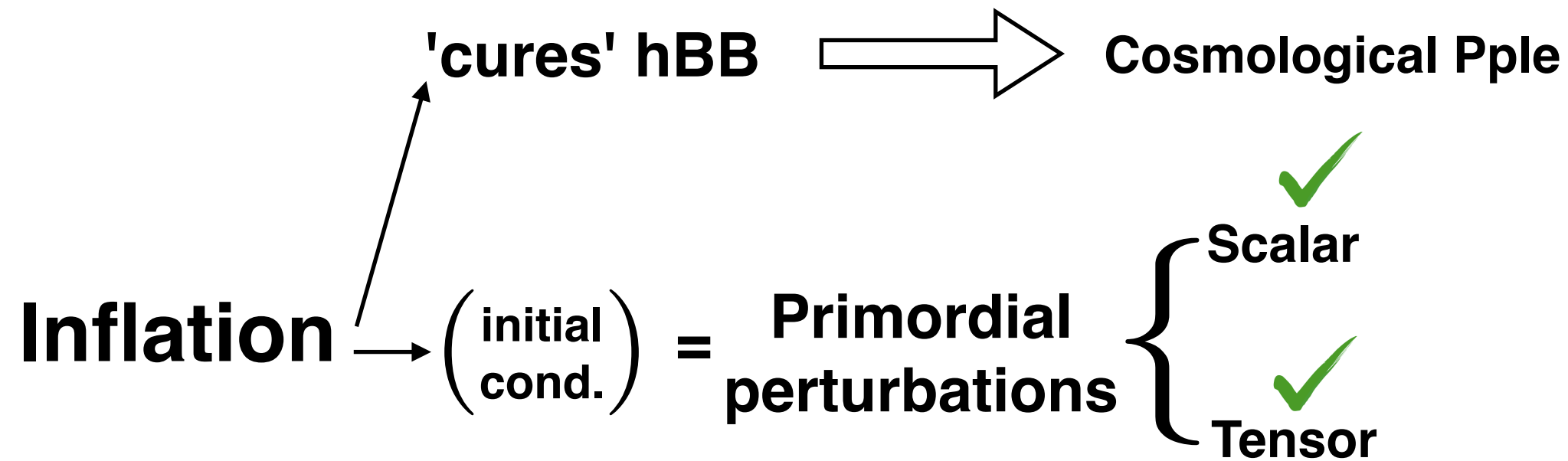
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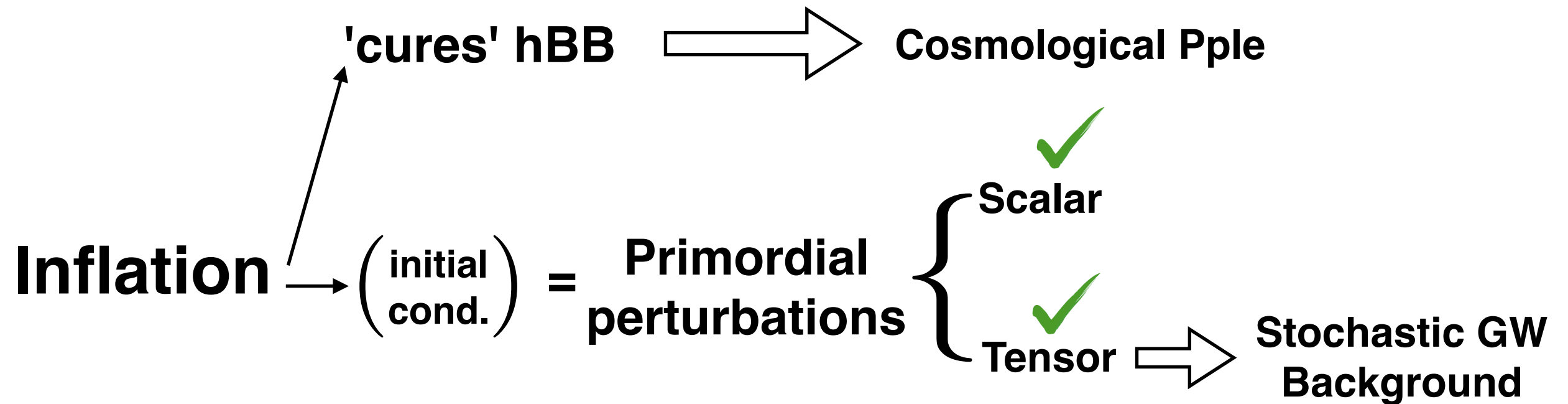


End primer on Inflation

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Irreducible GW background from Inflation

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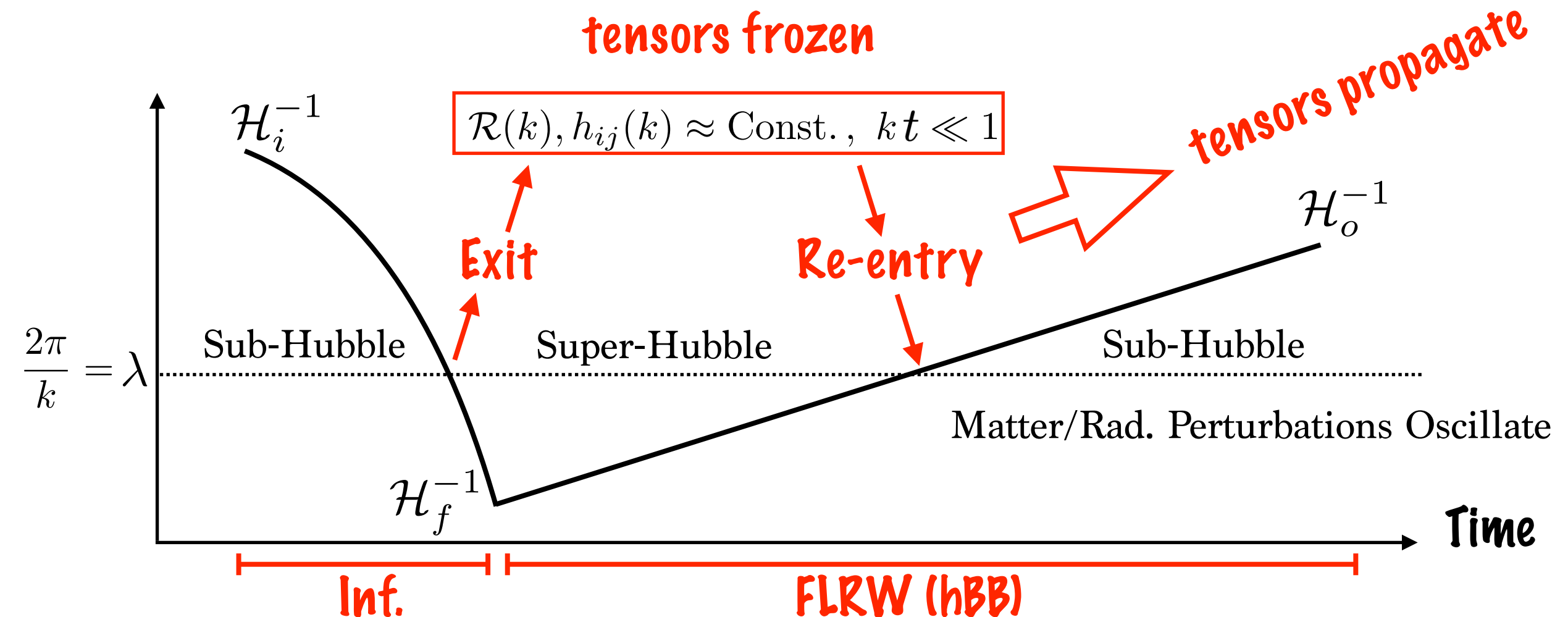
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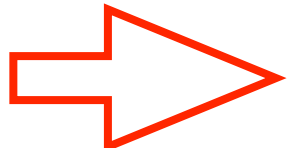
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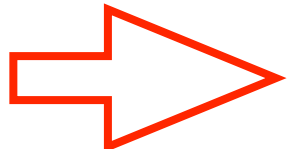
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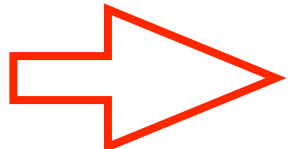
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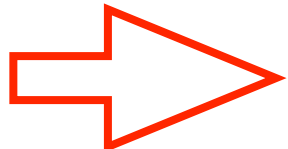
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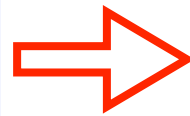
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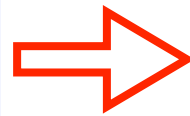
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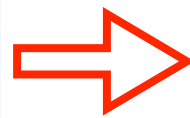
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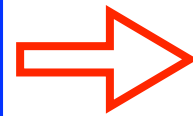
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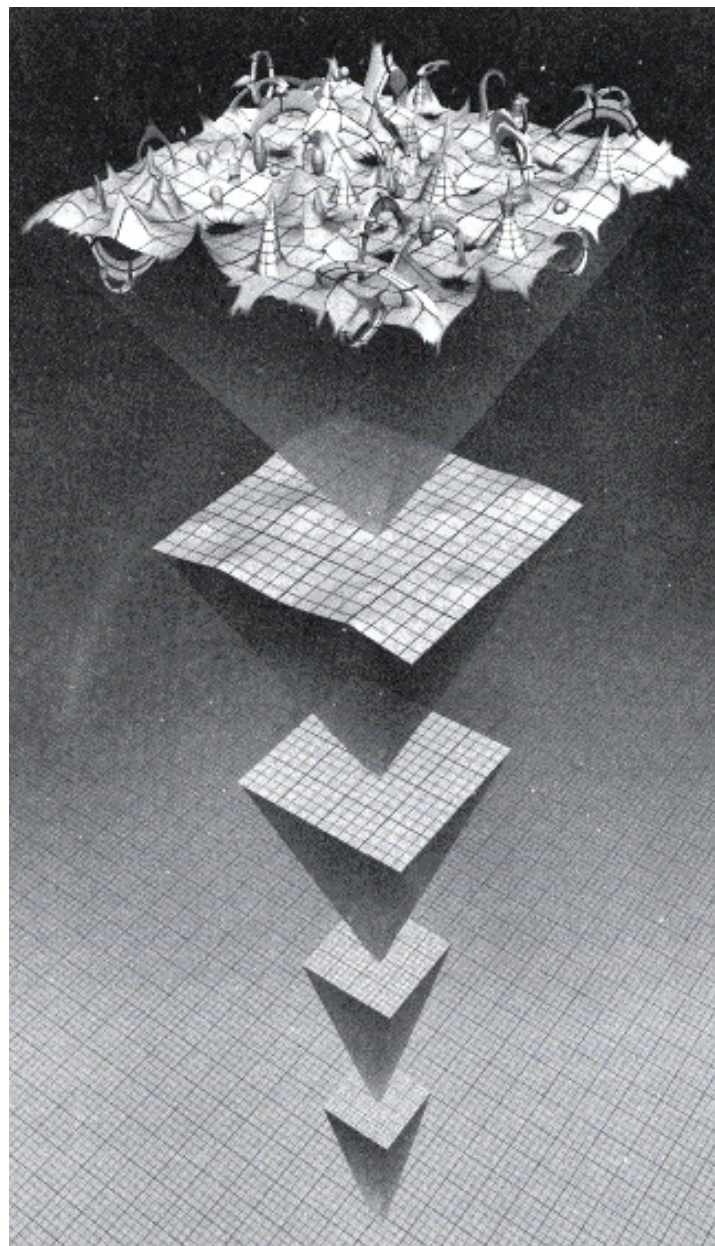
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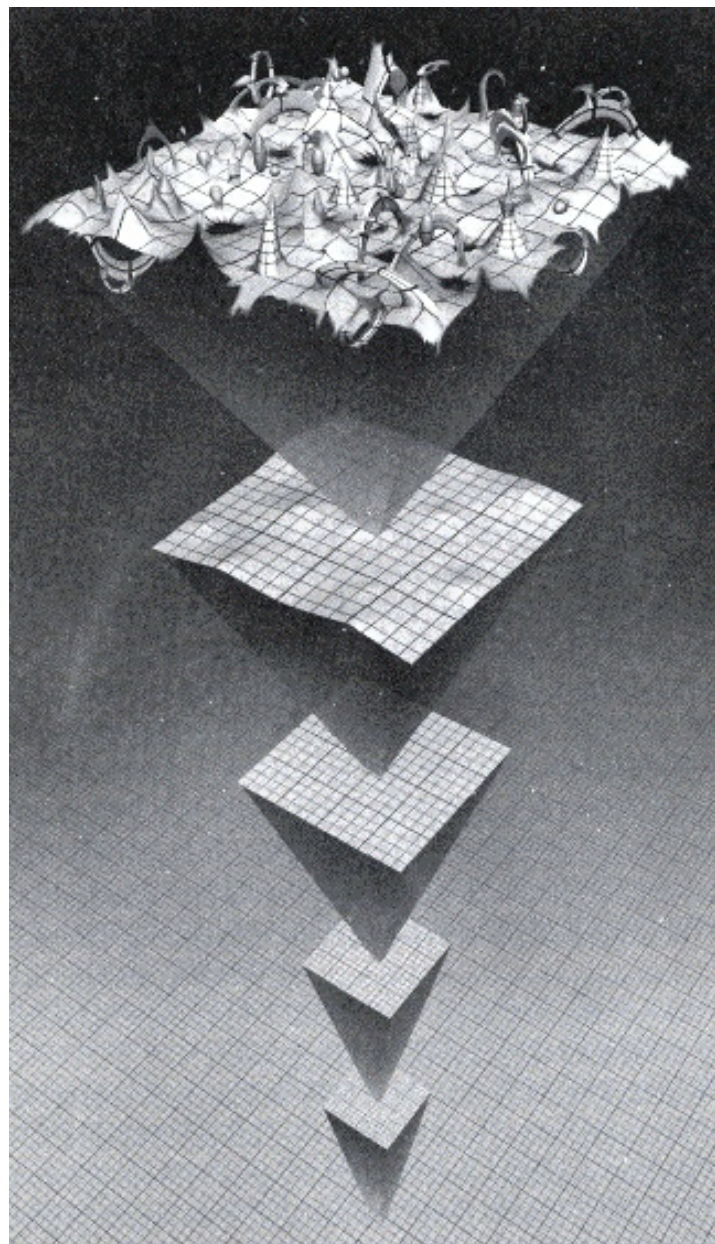
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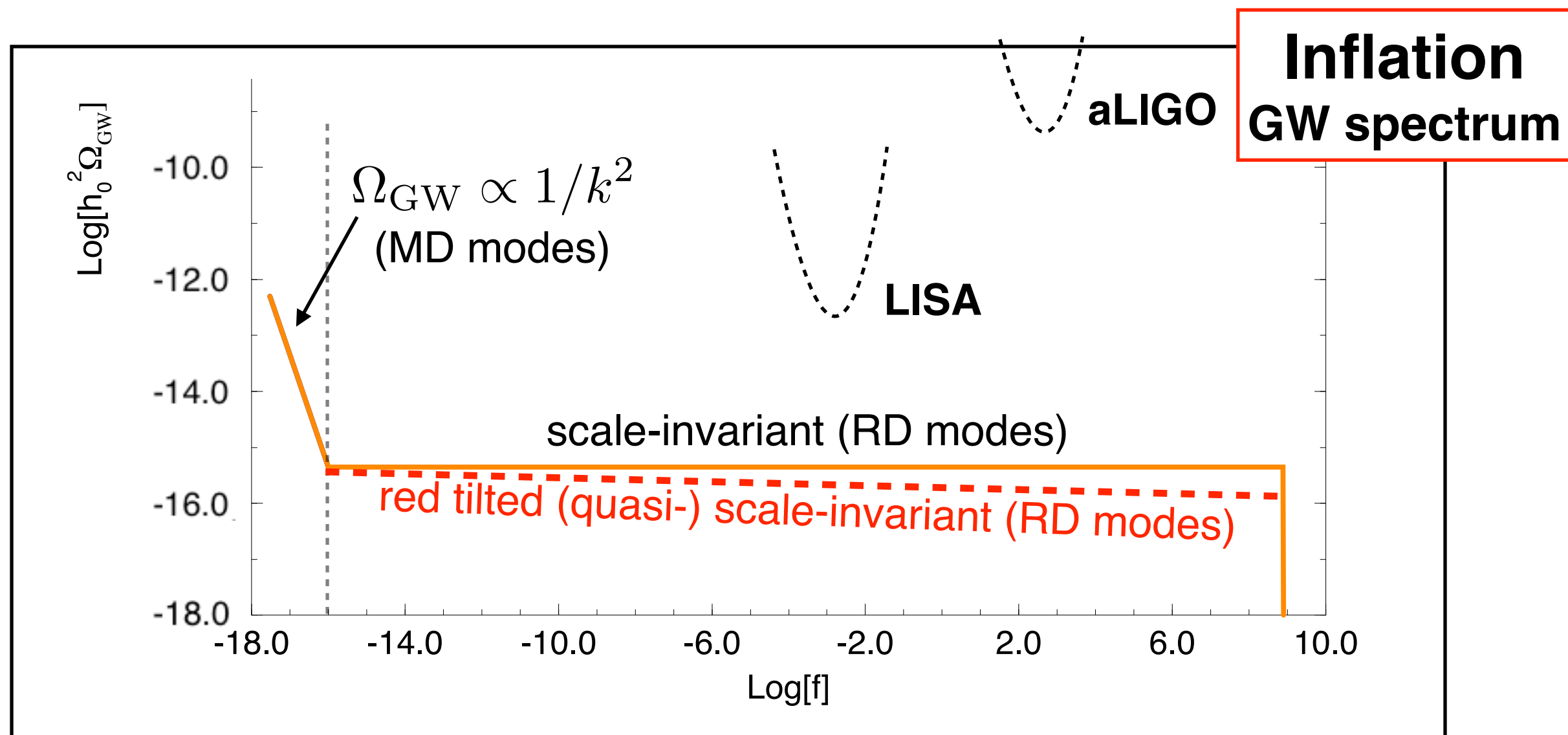
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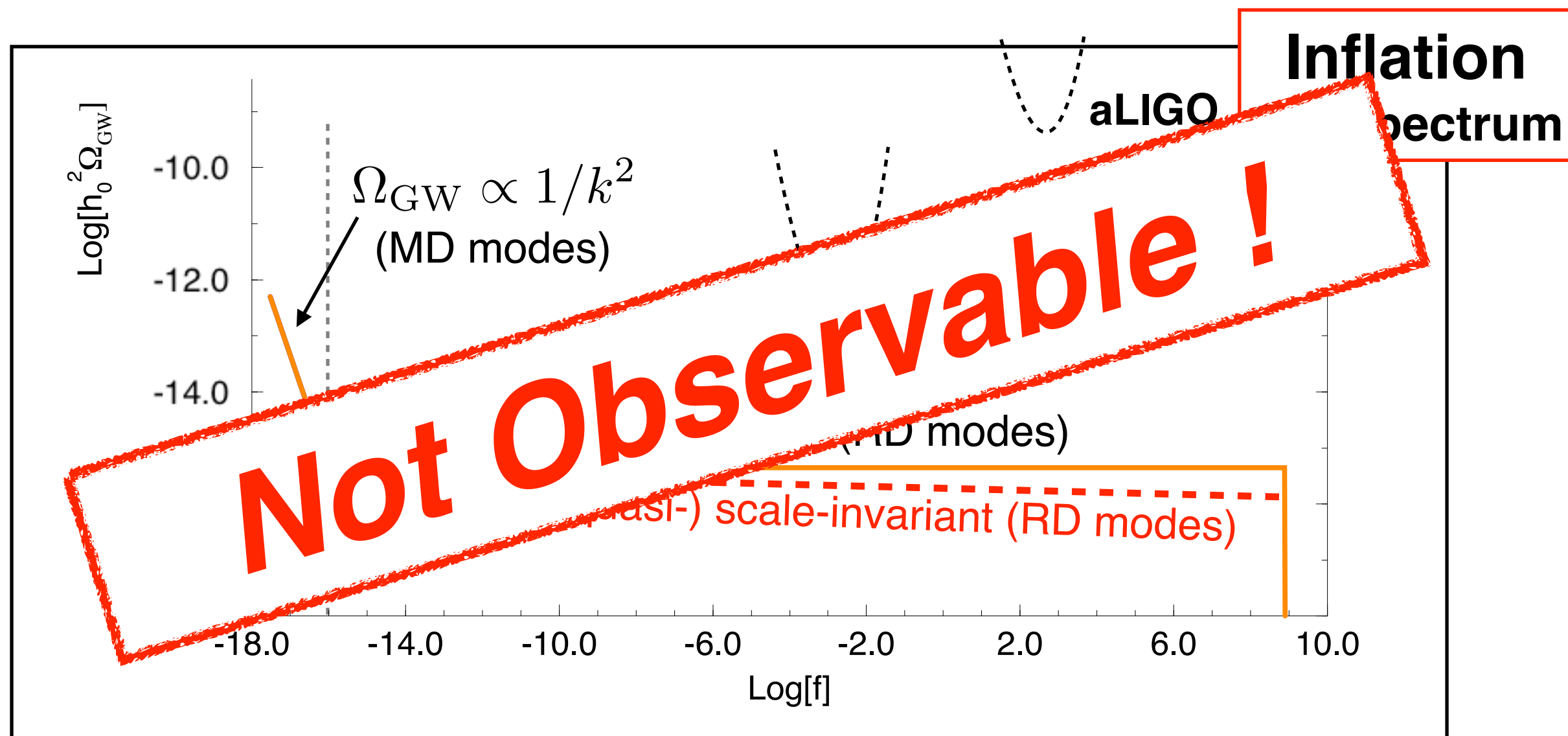
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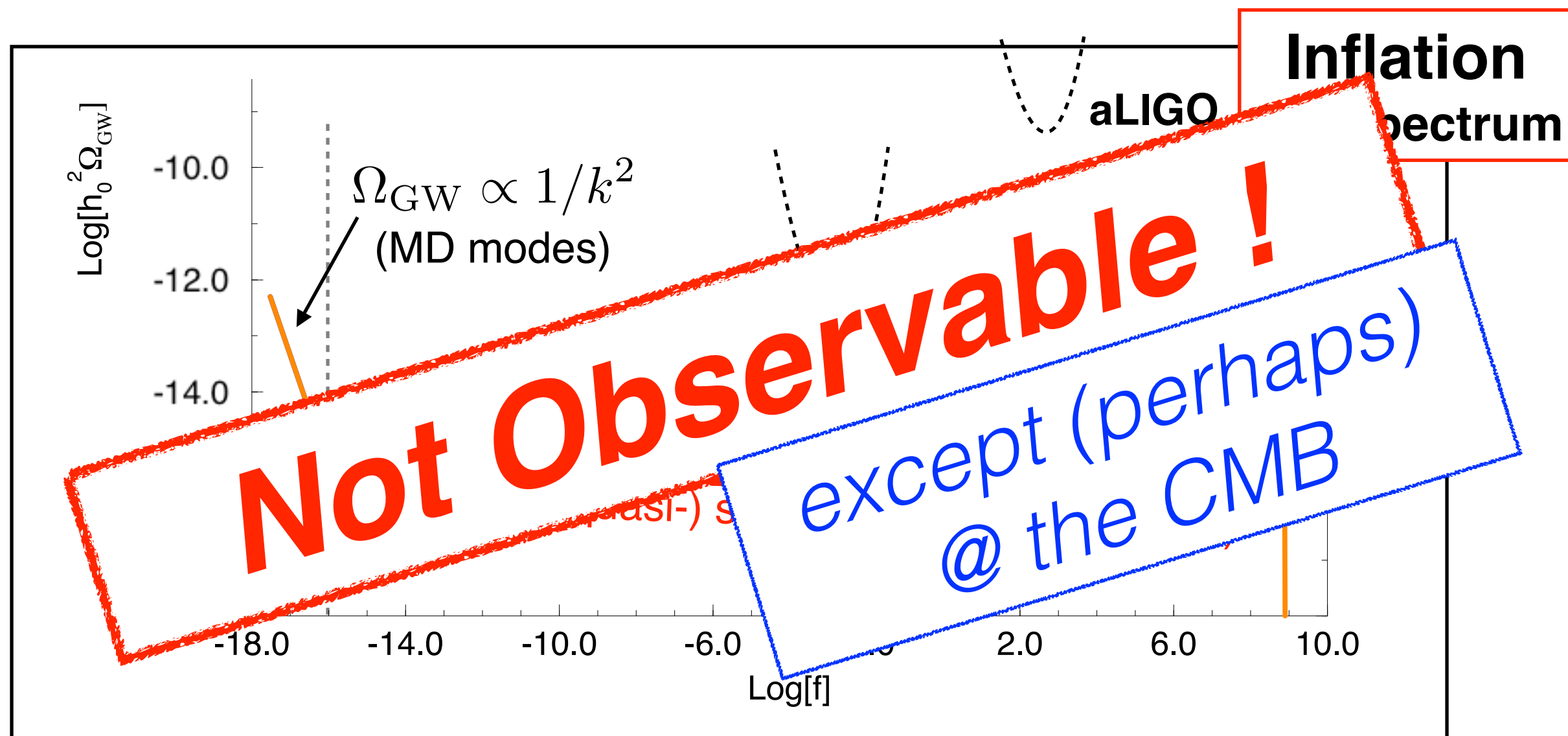
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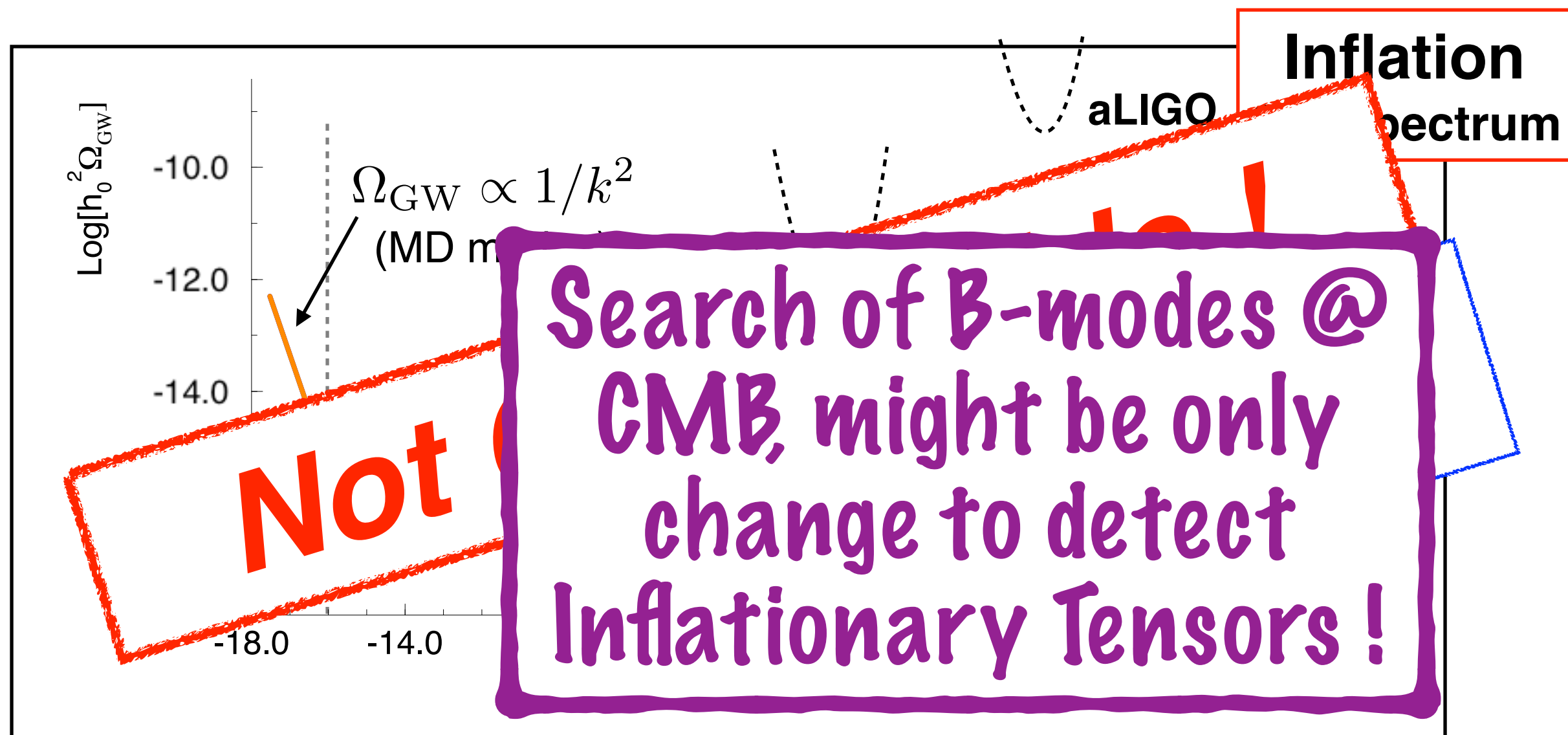
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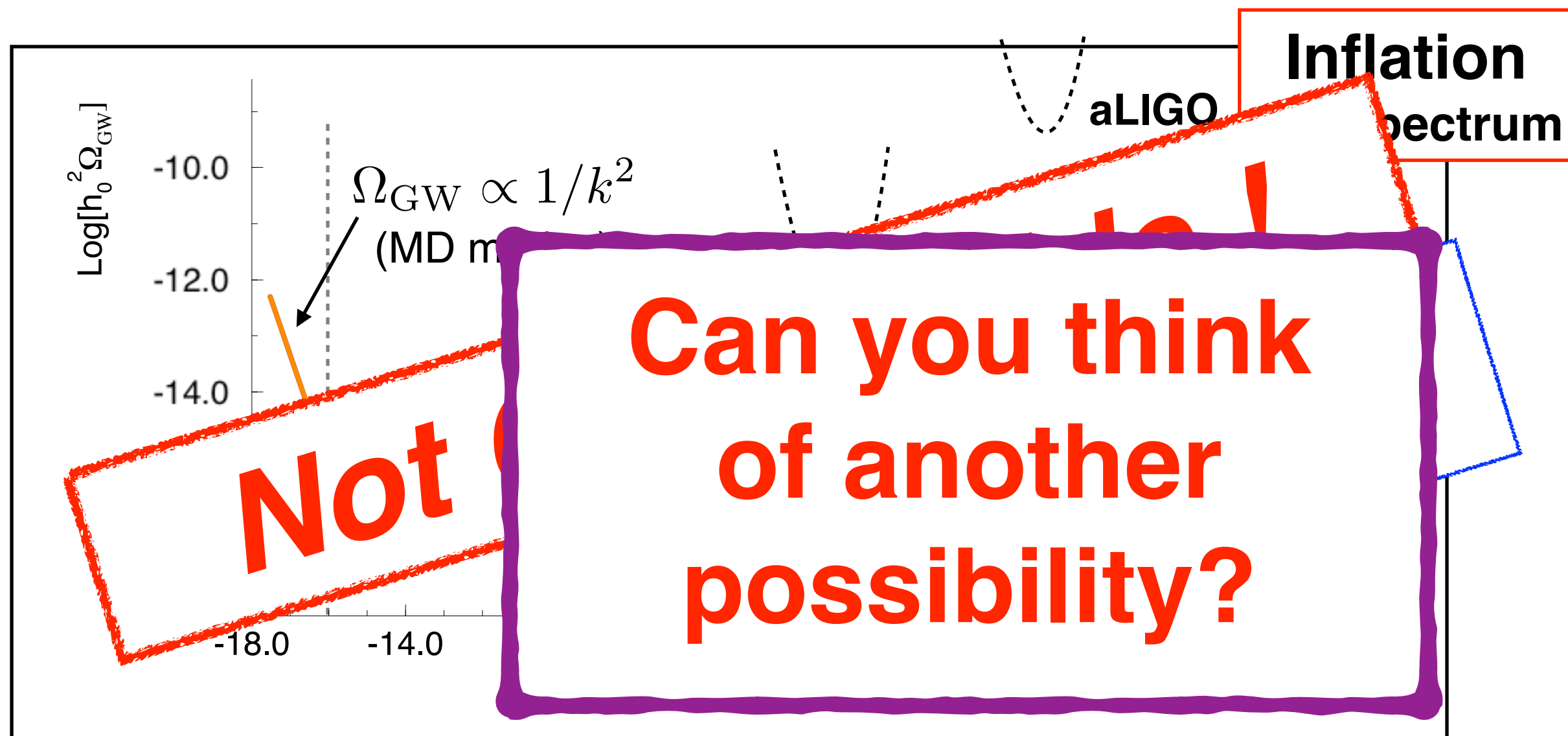
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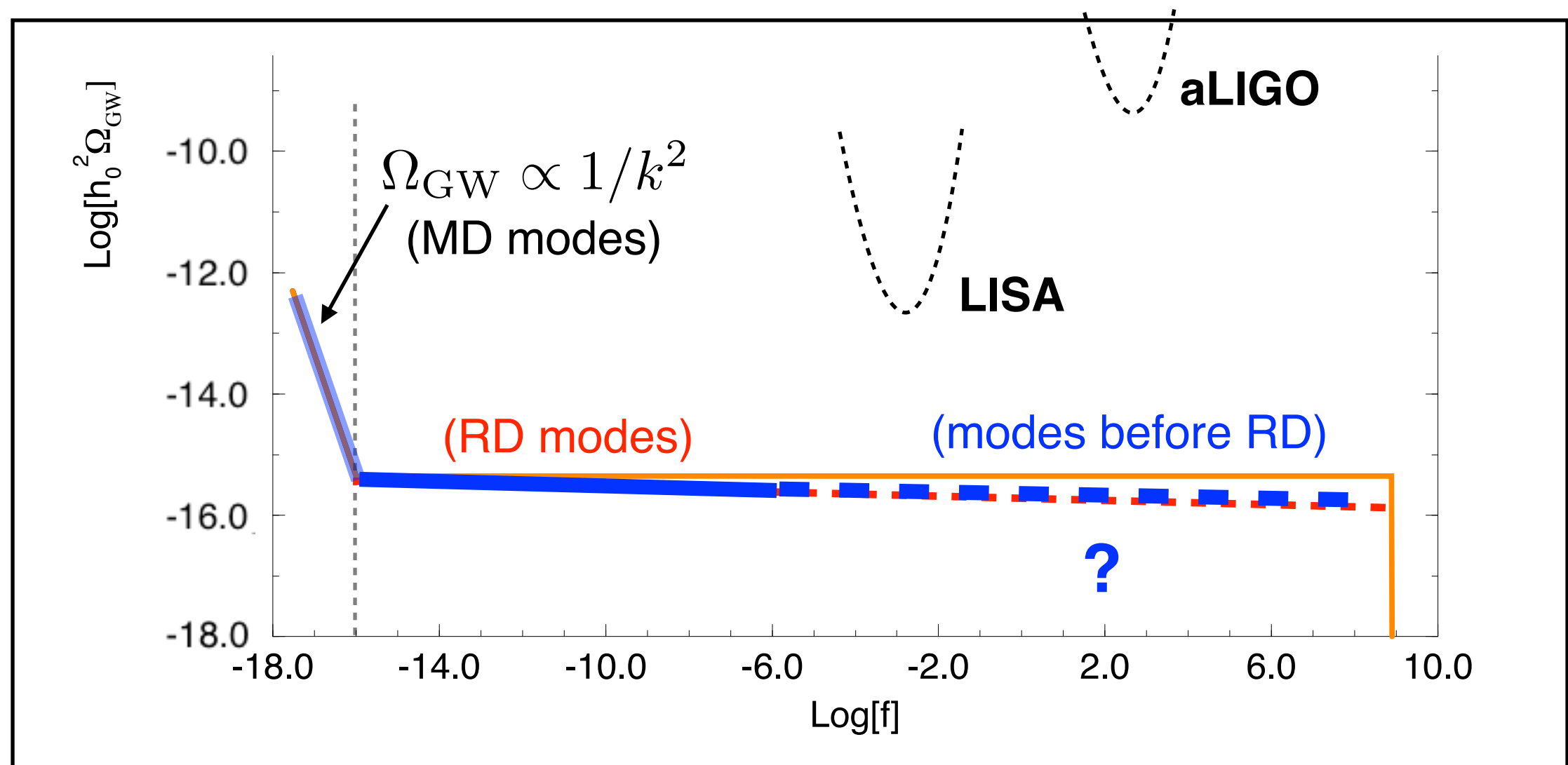
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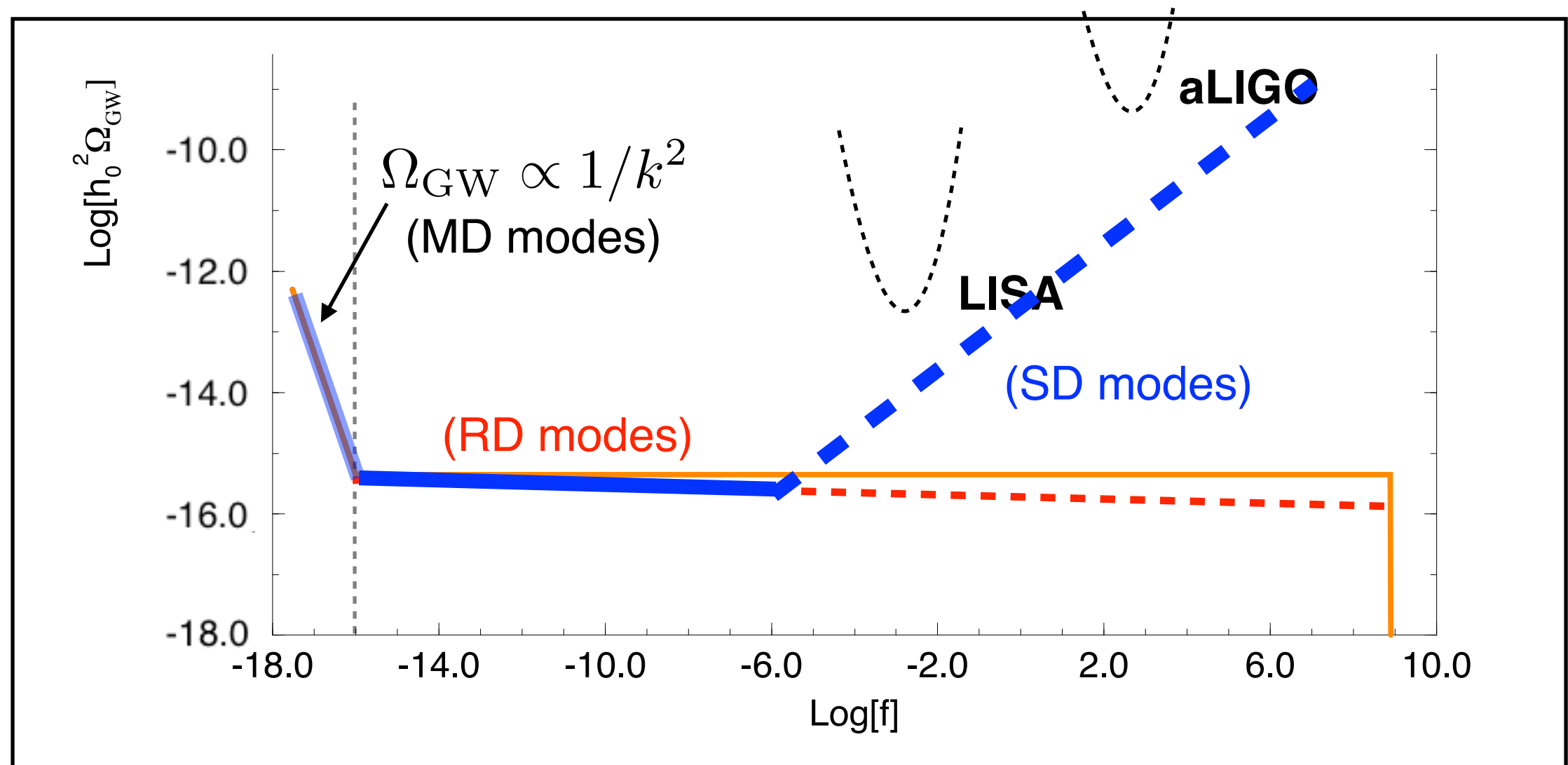
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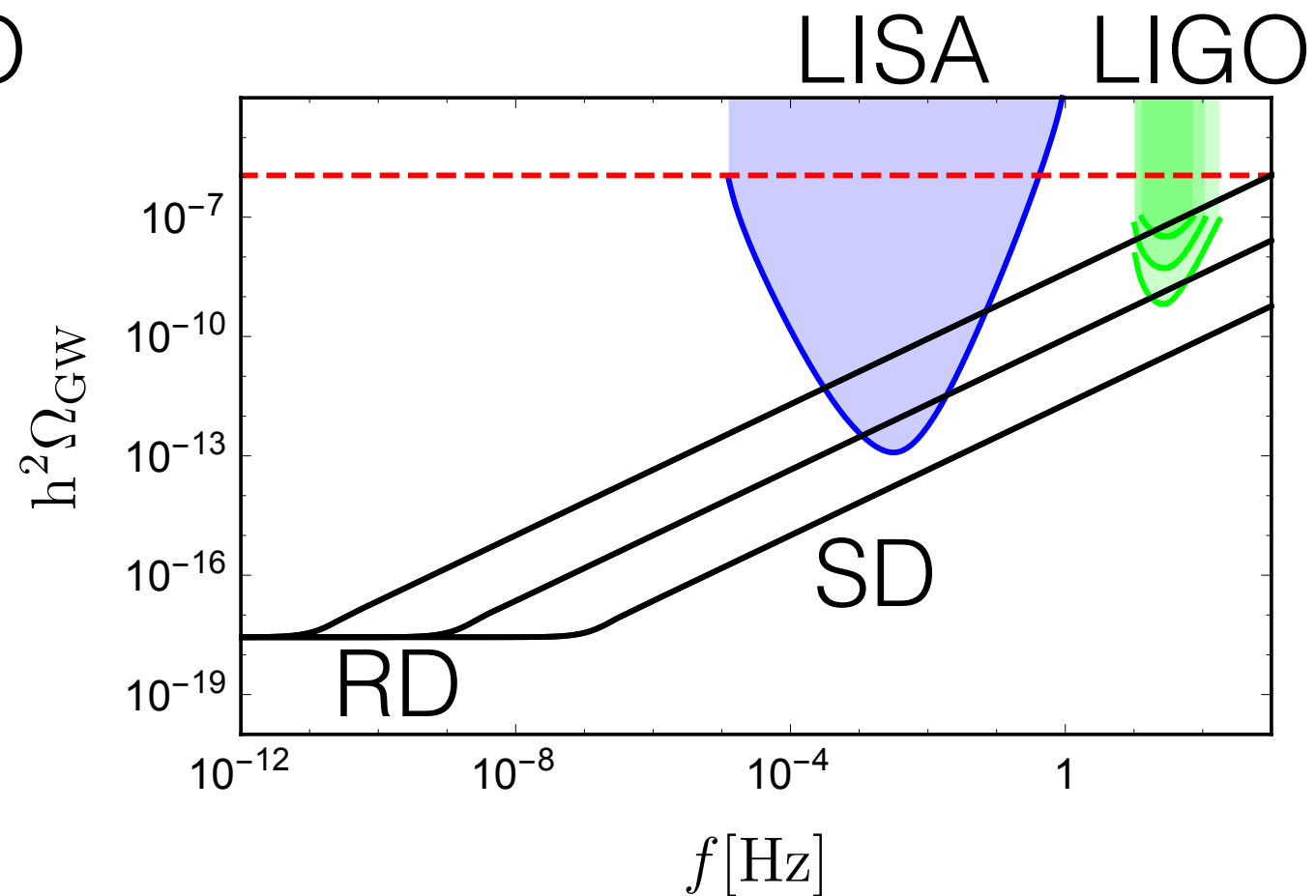
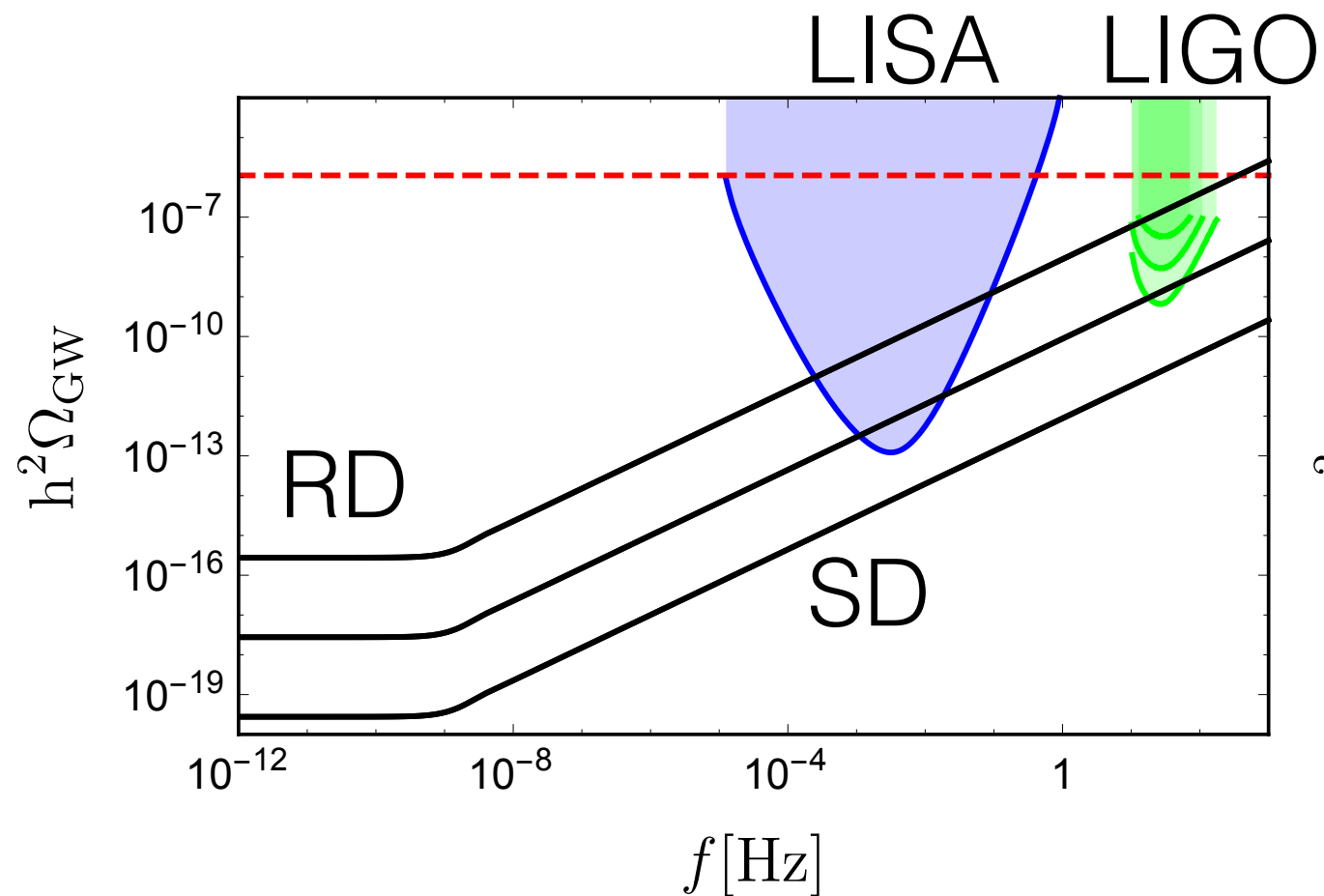
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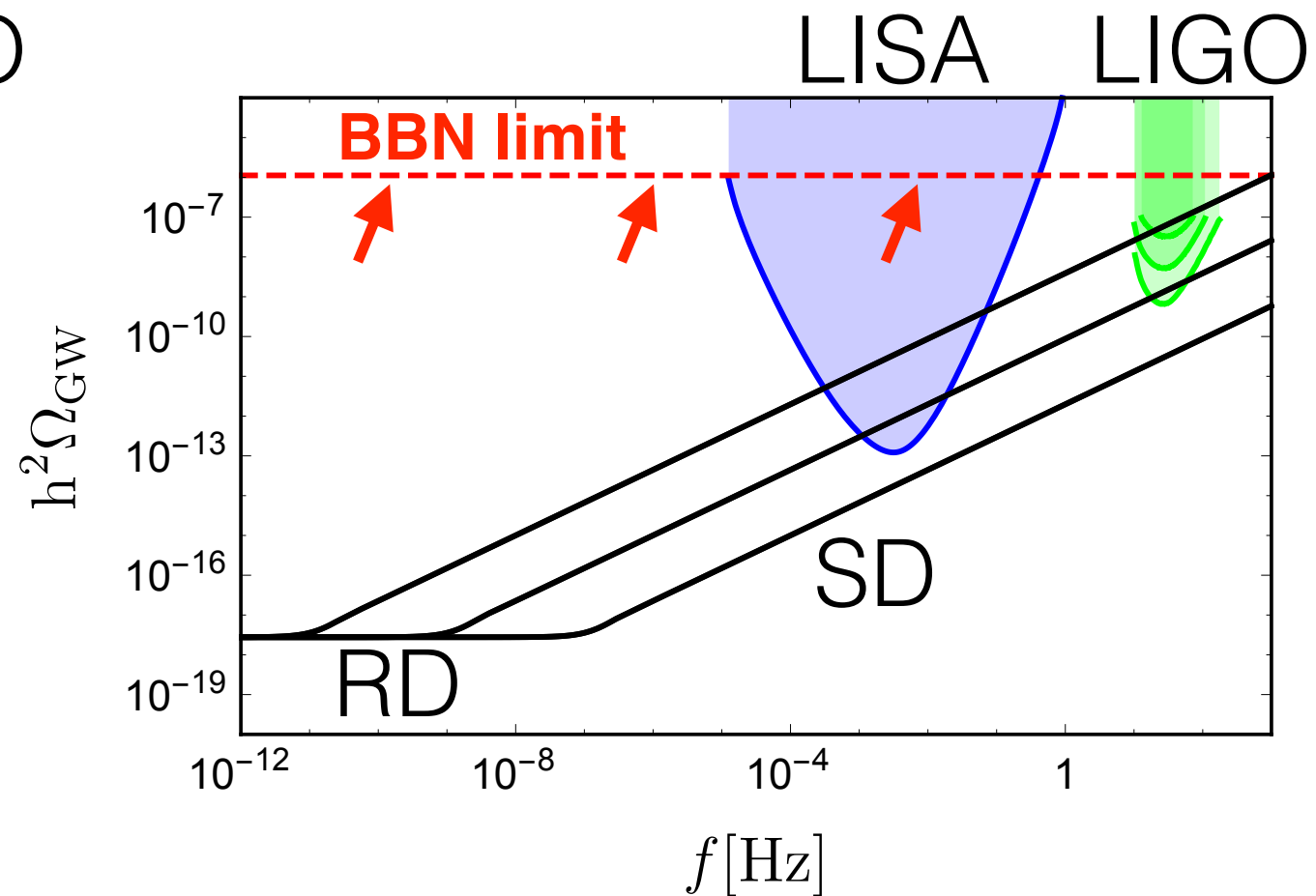
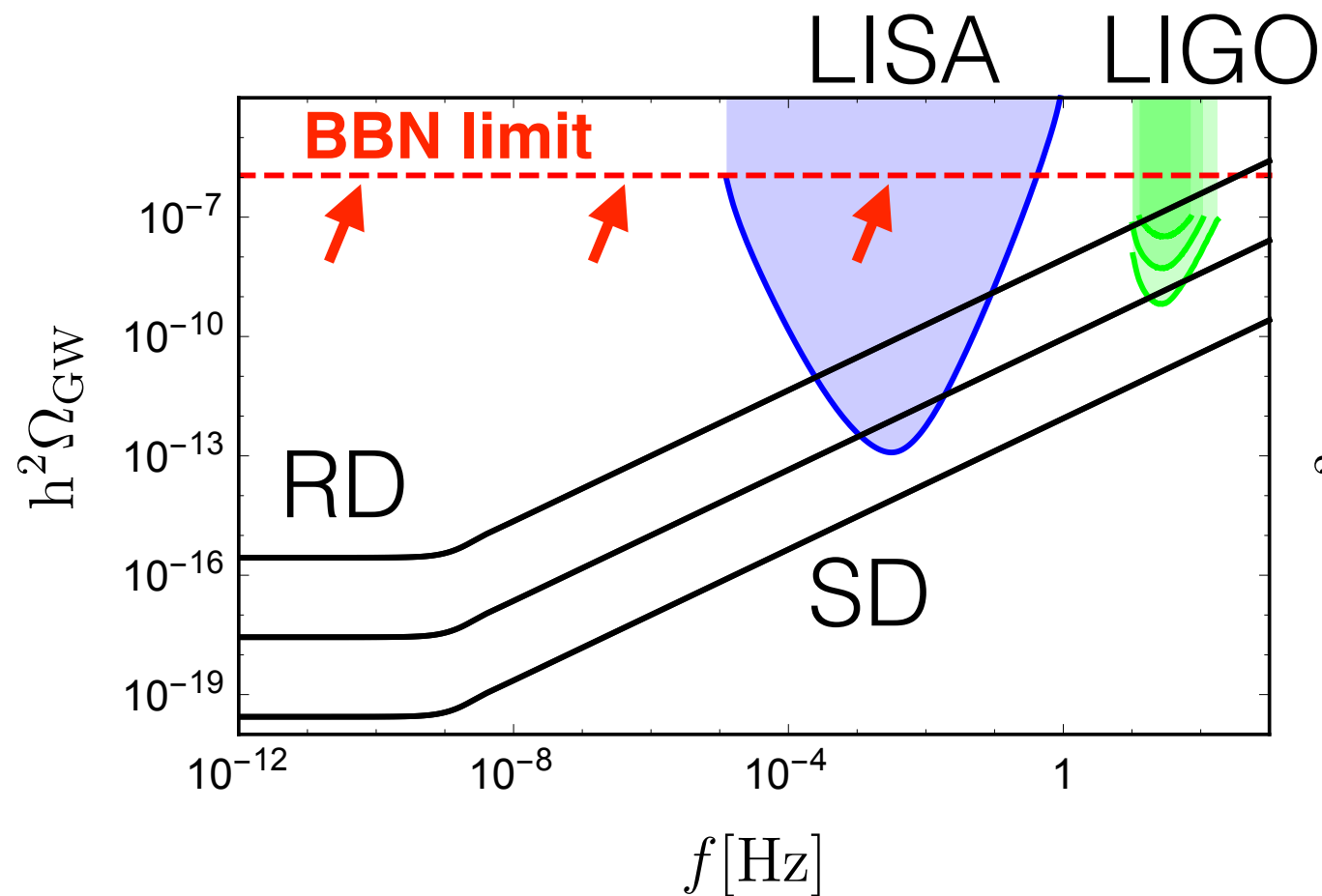
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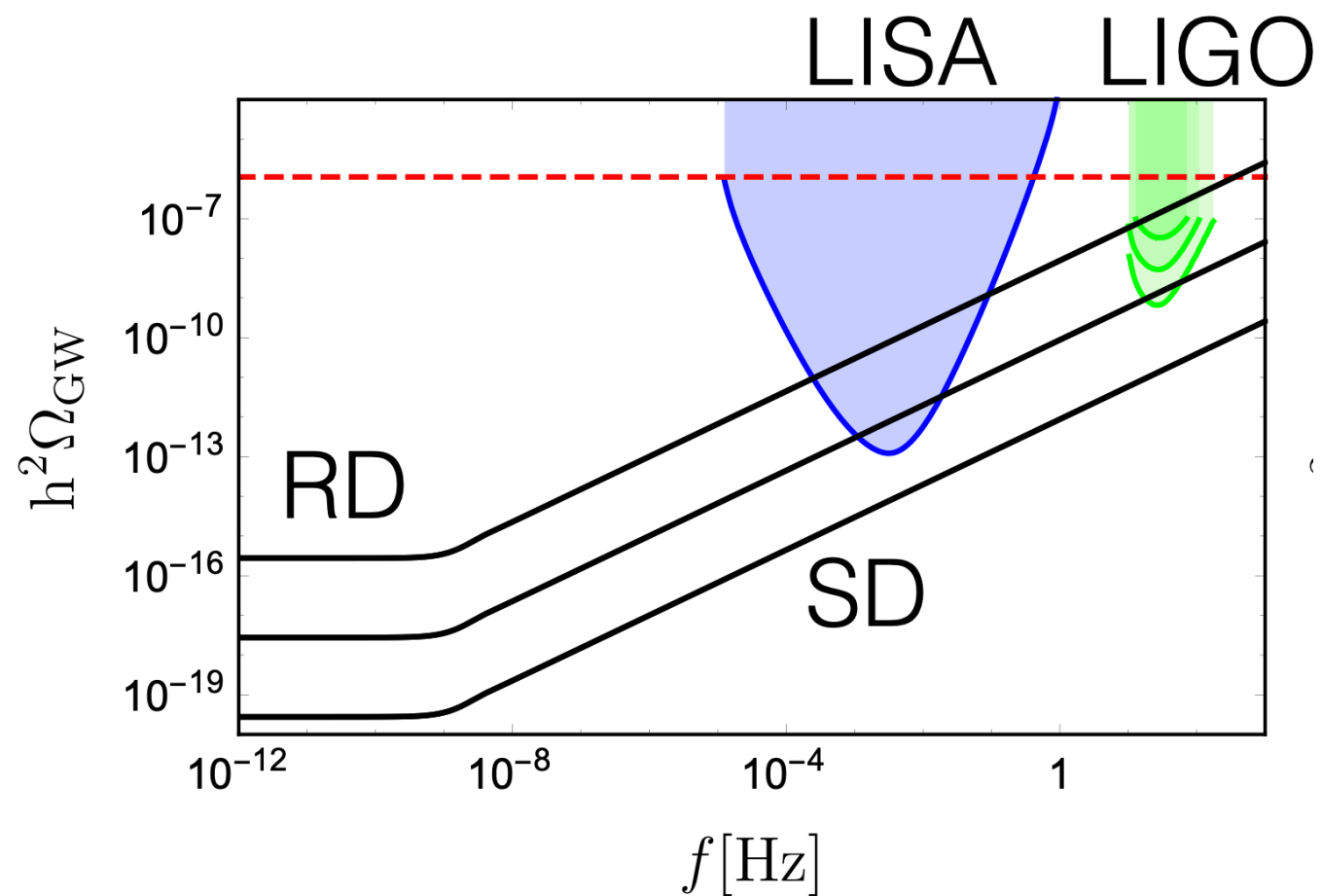
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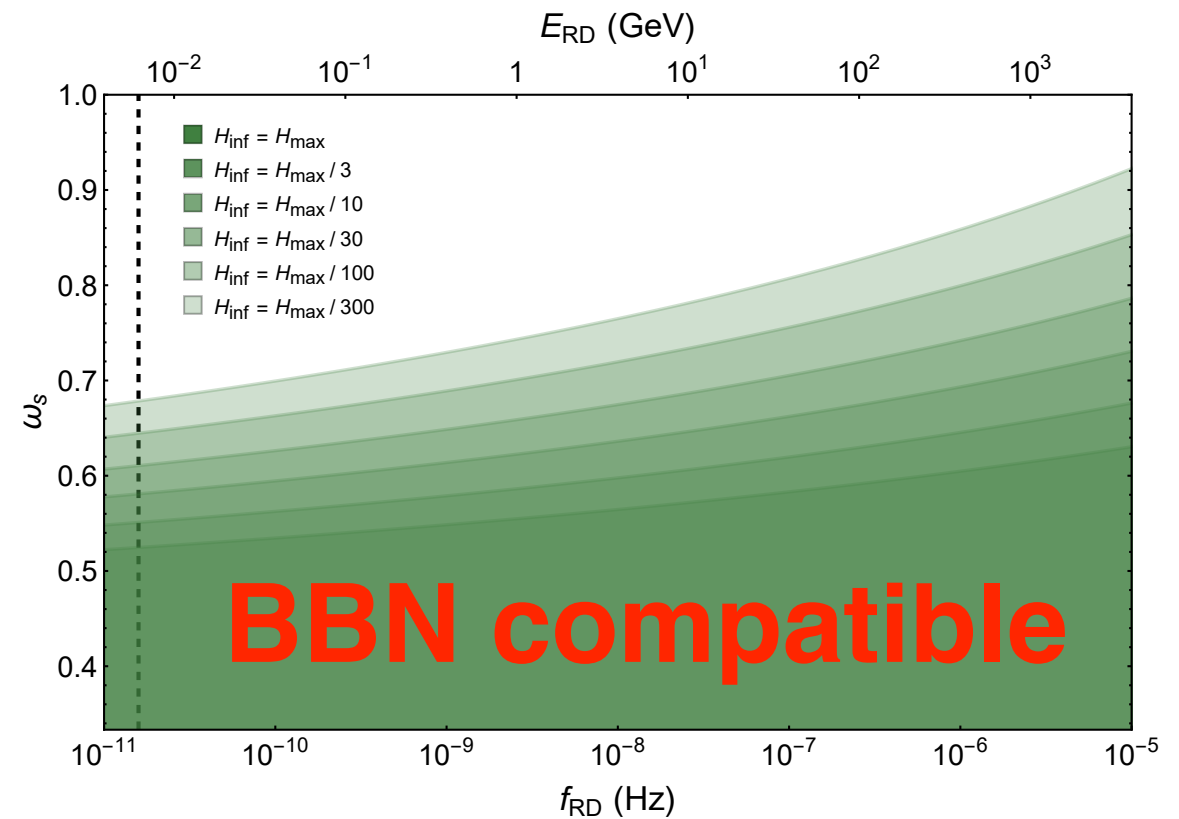
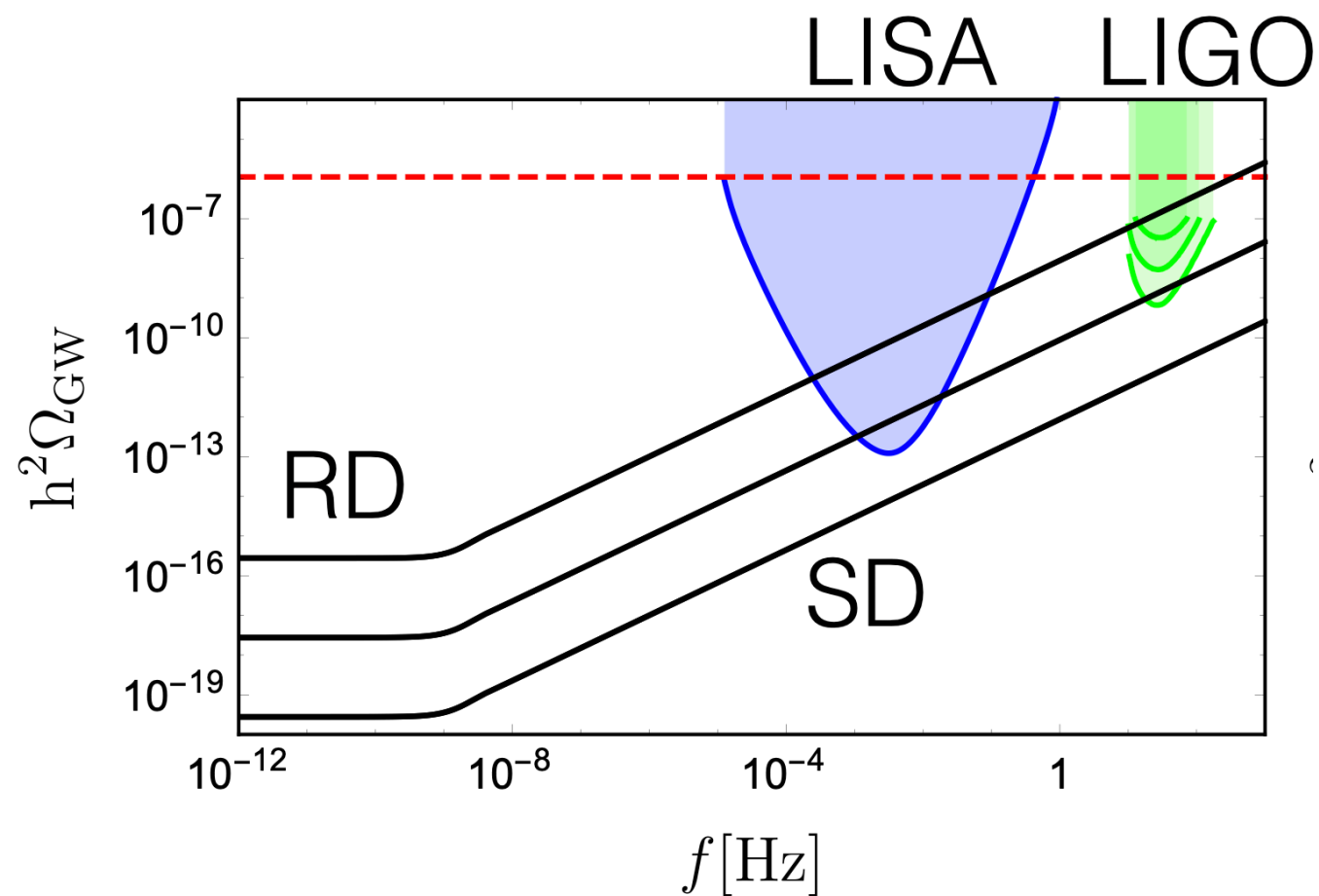
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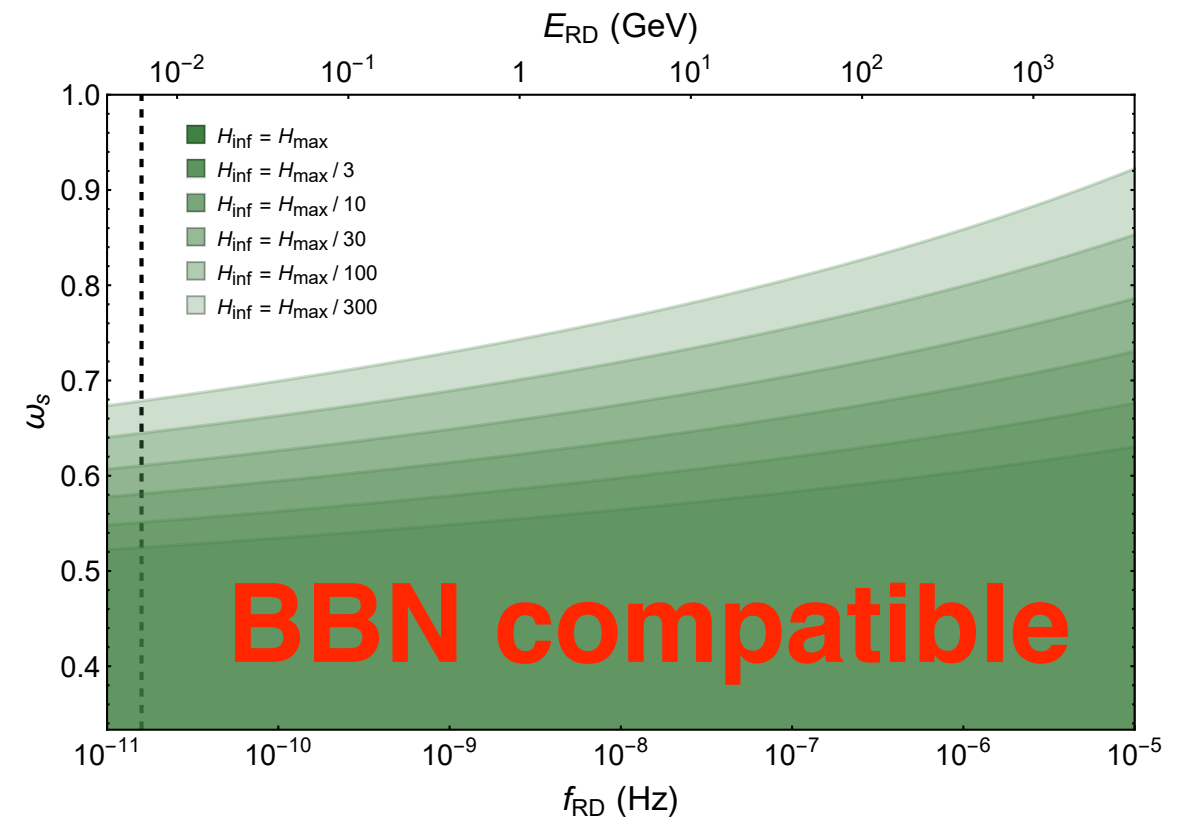
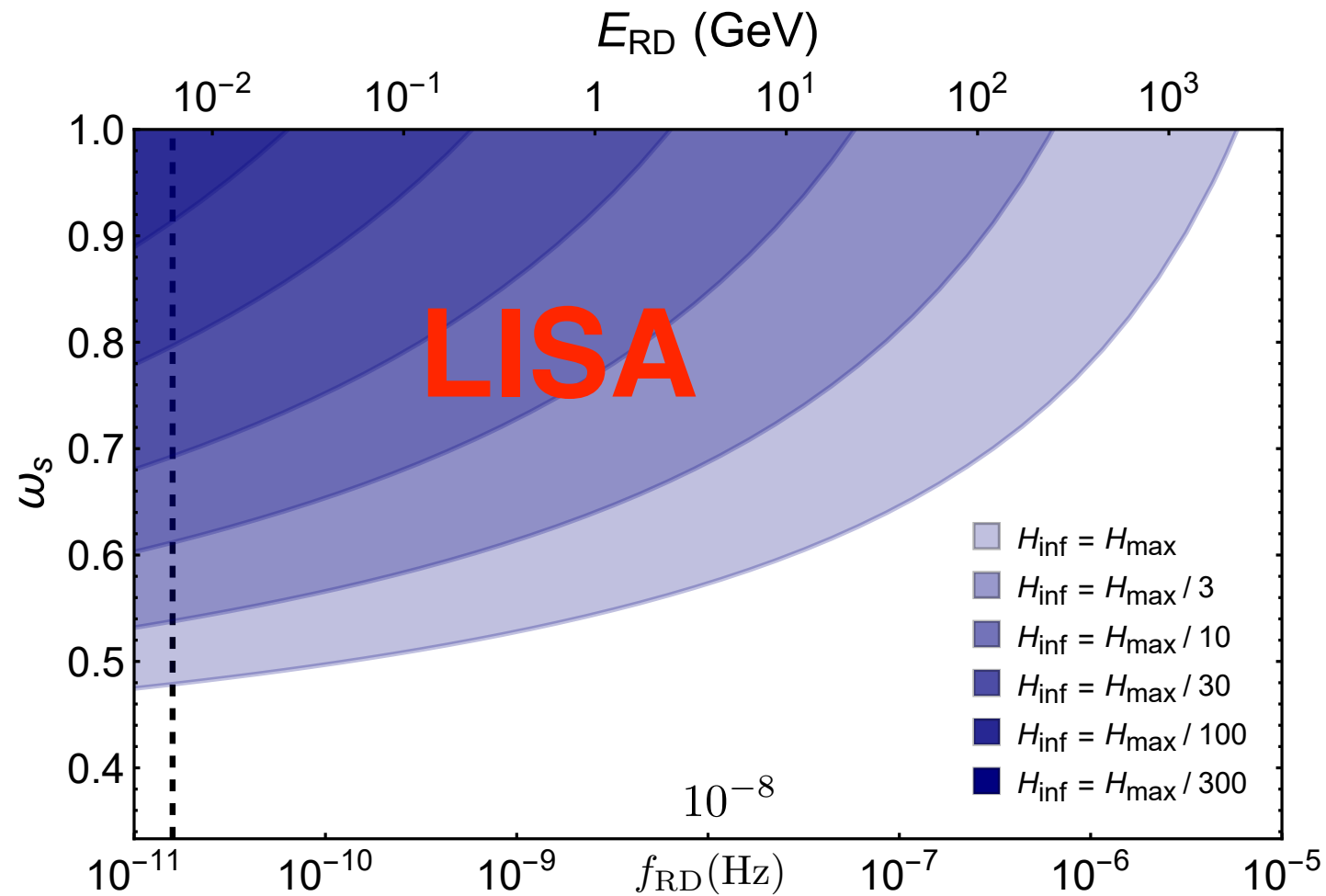
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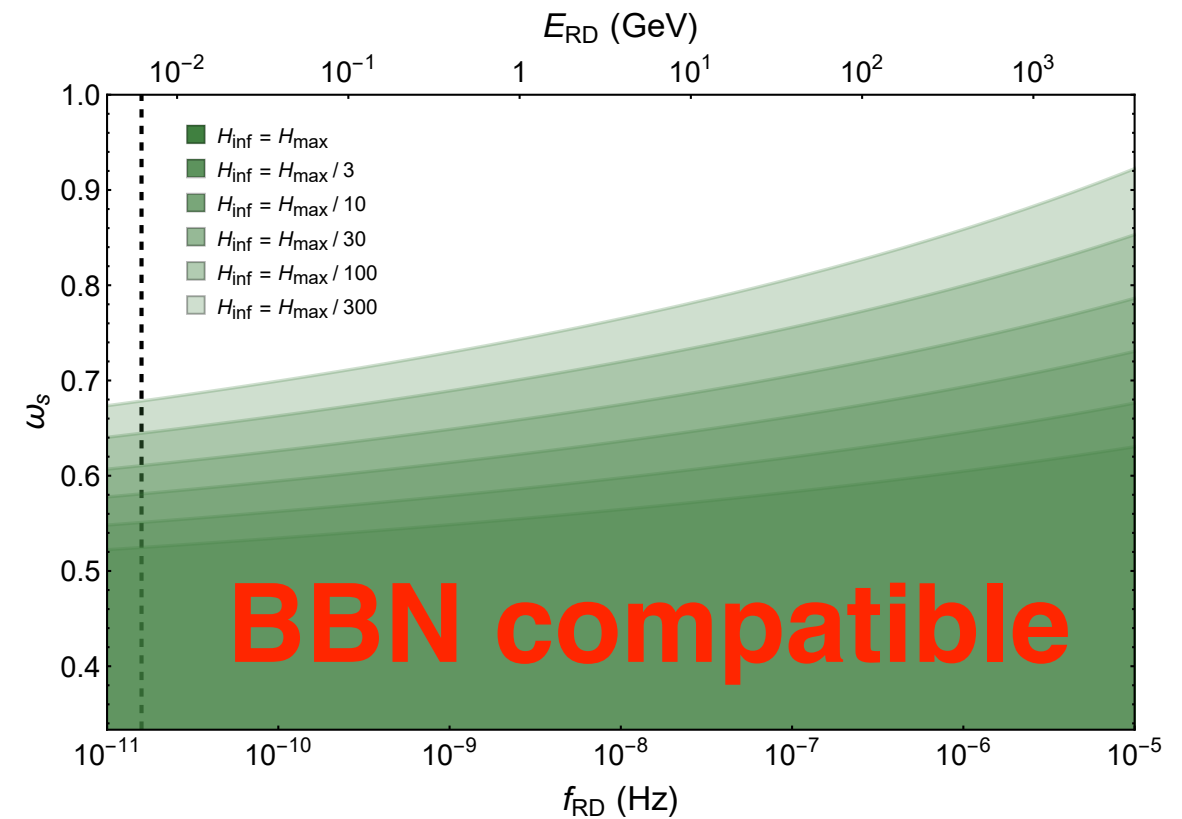
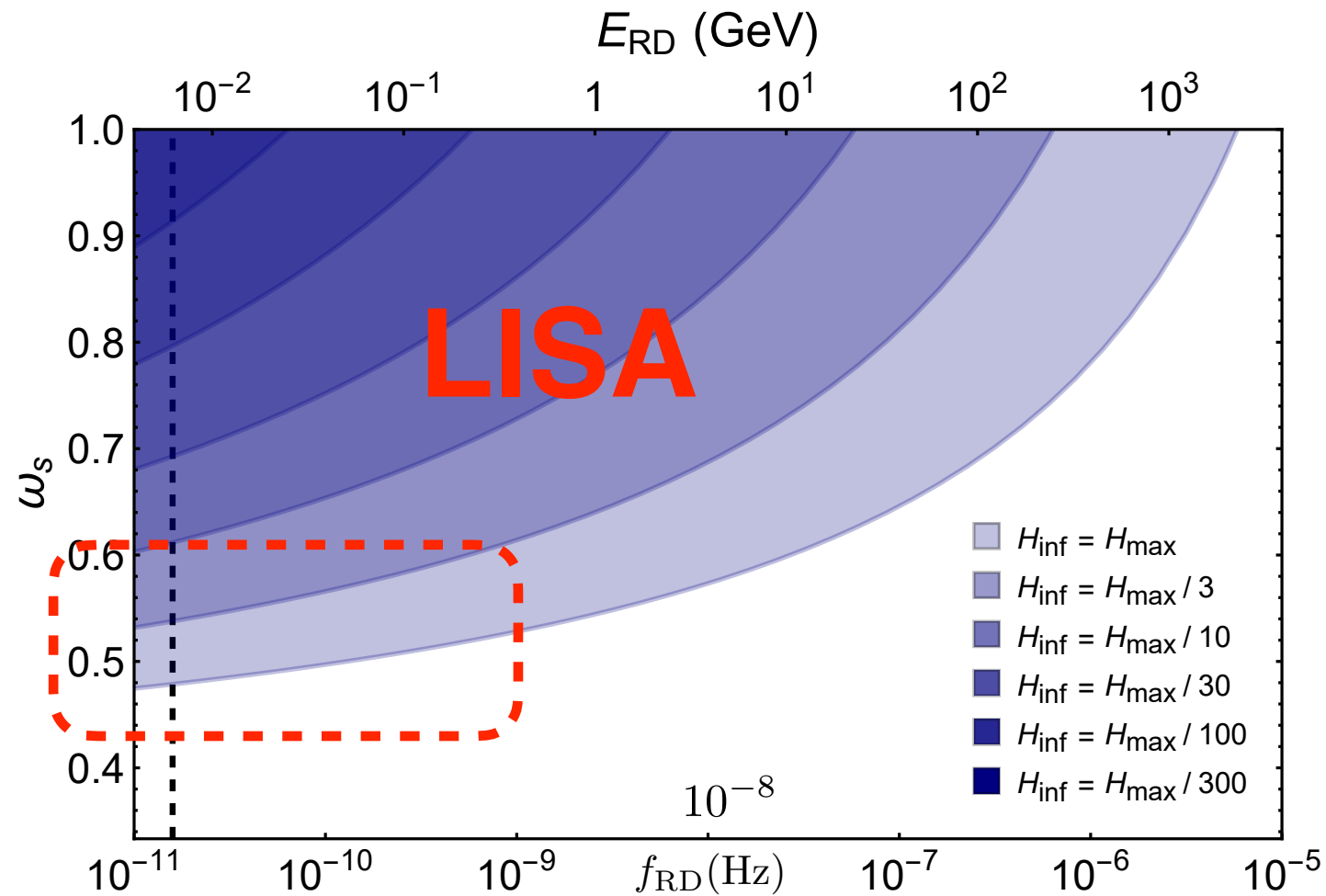
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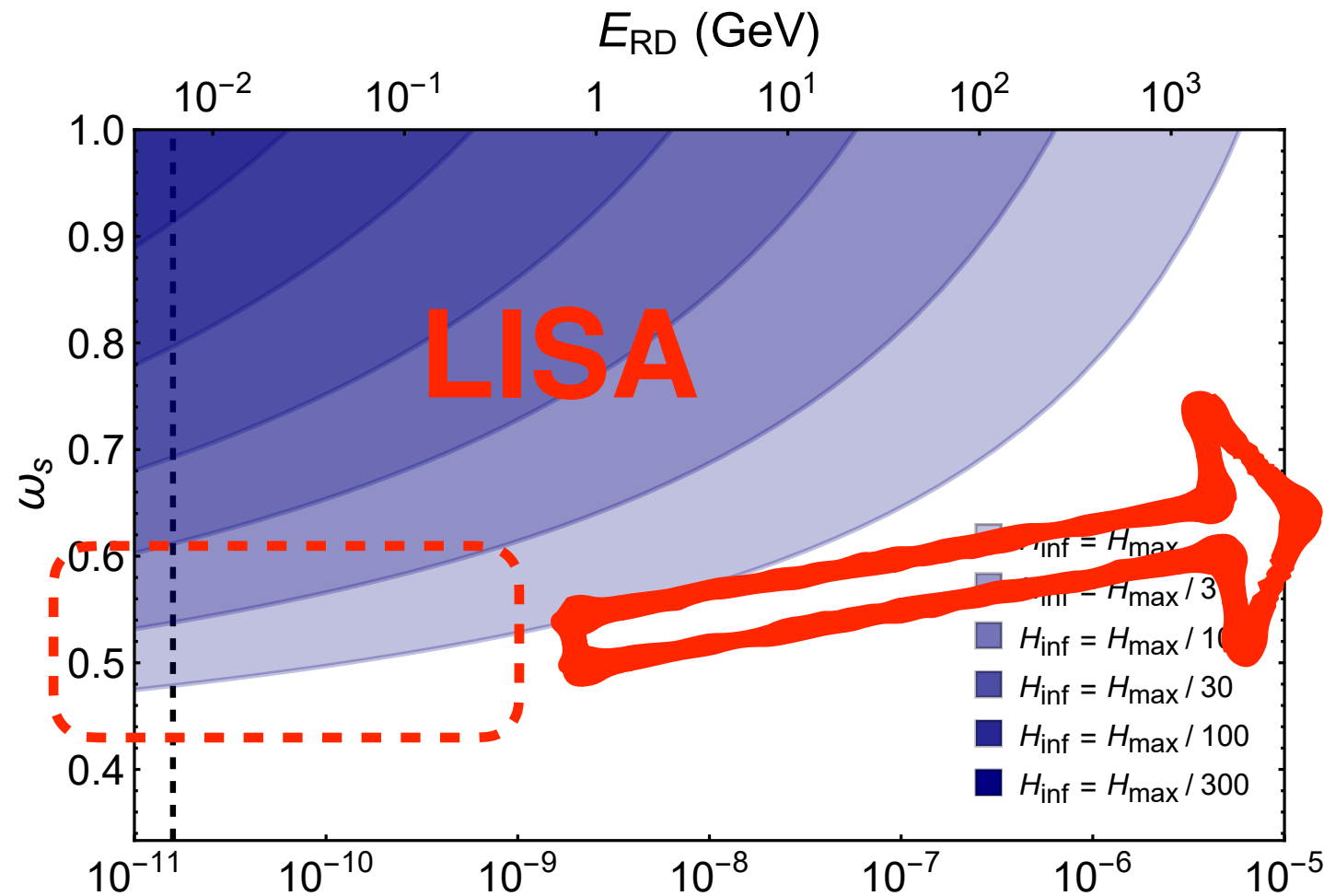
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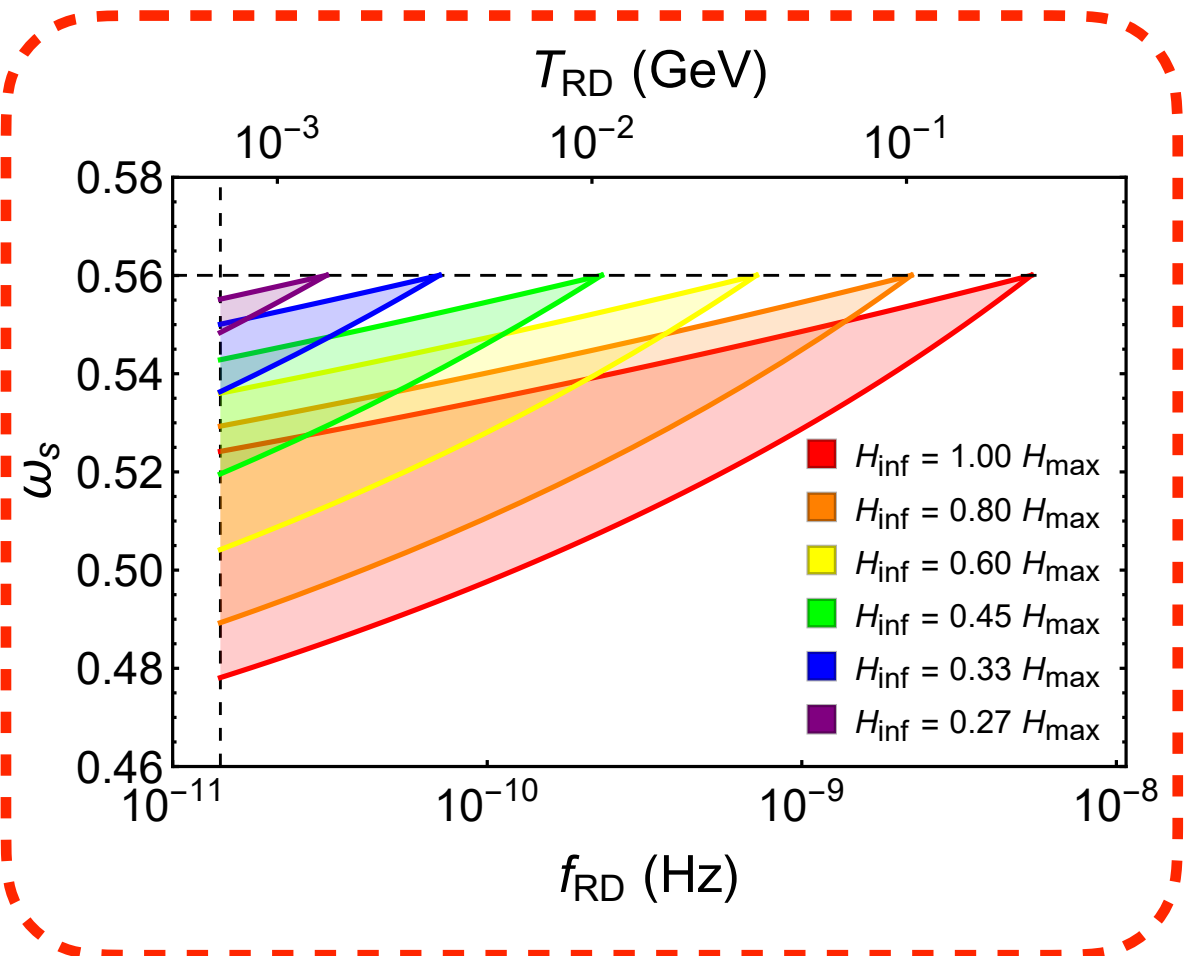


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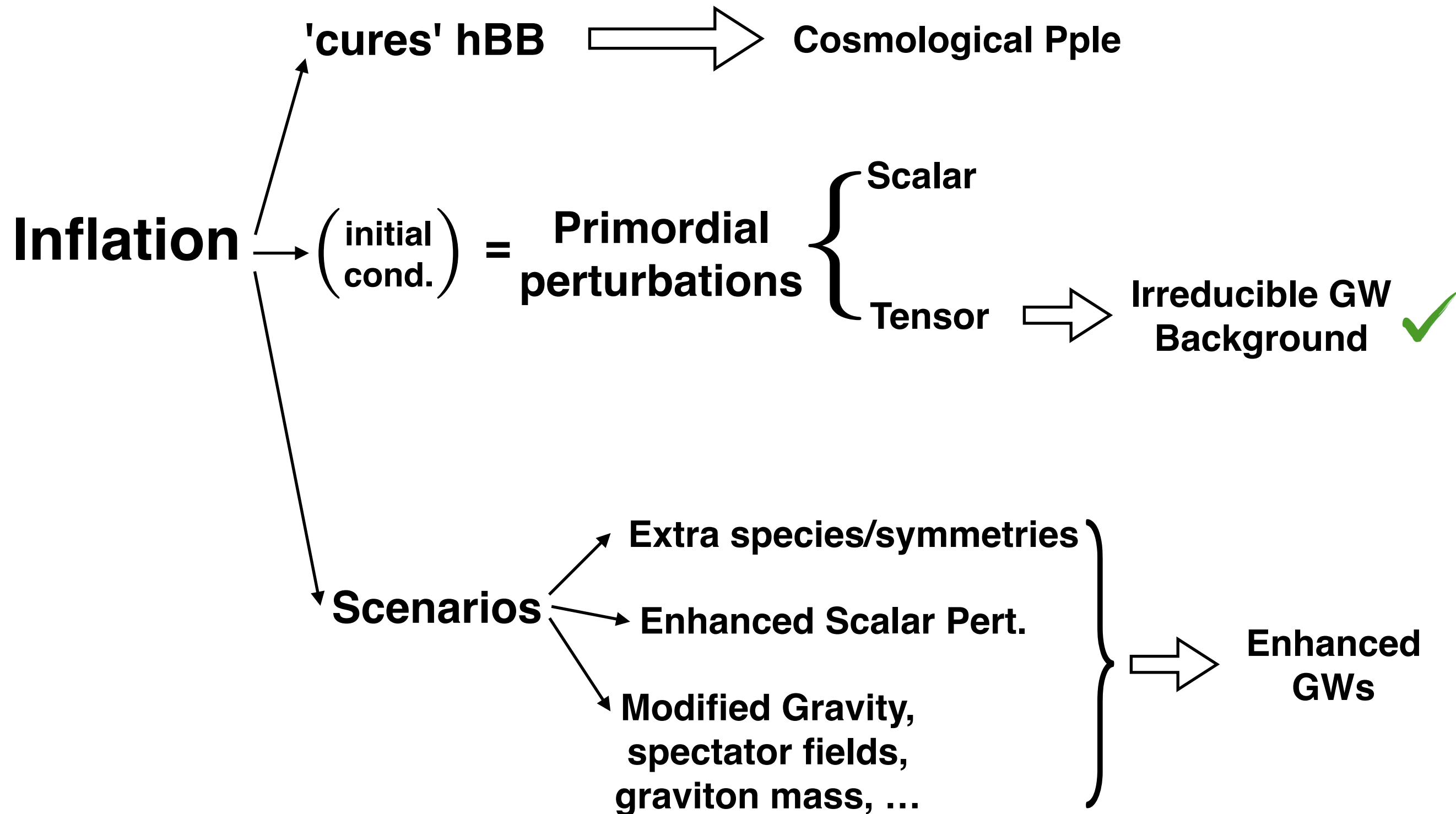


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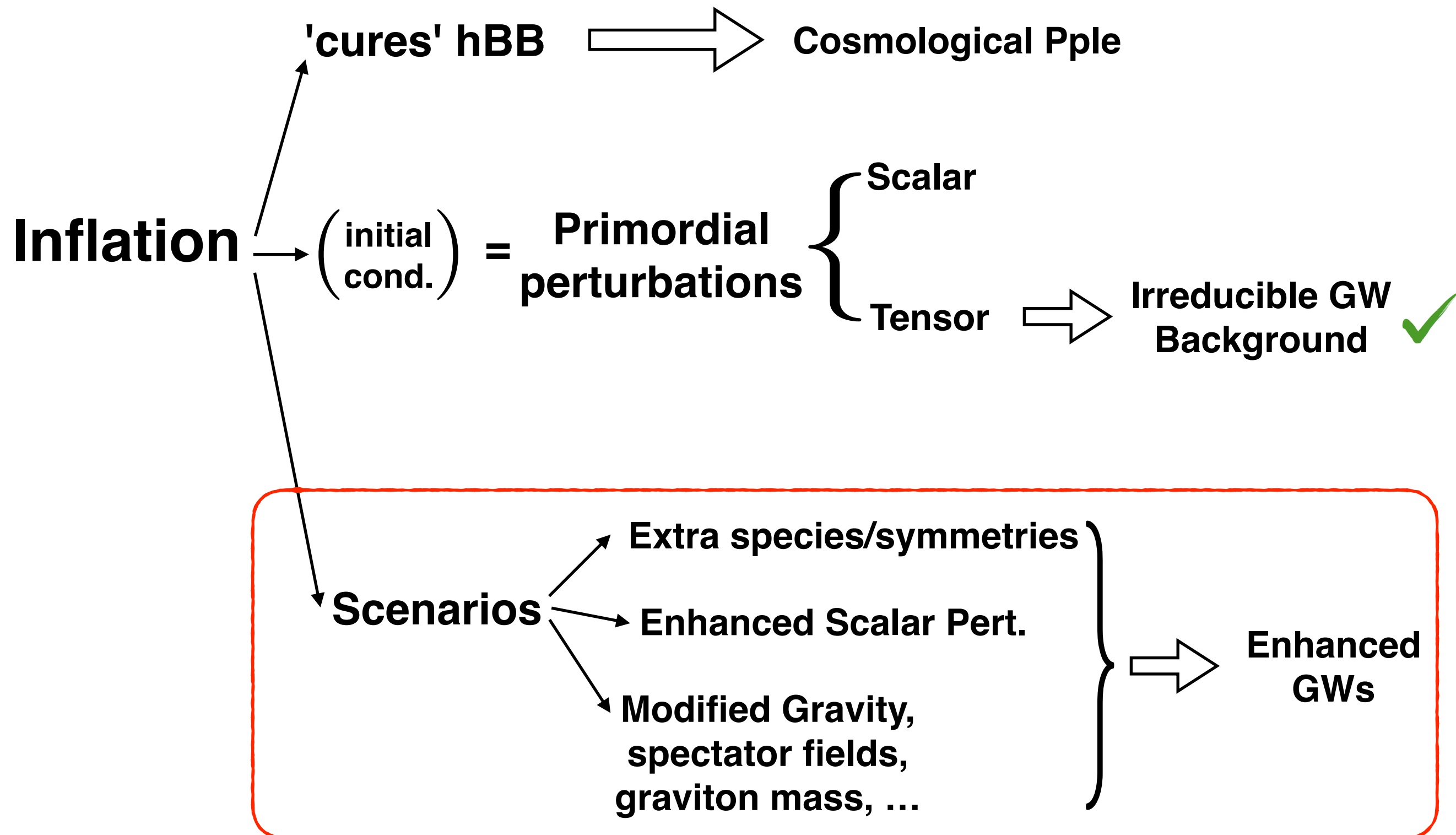


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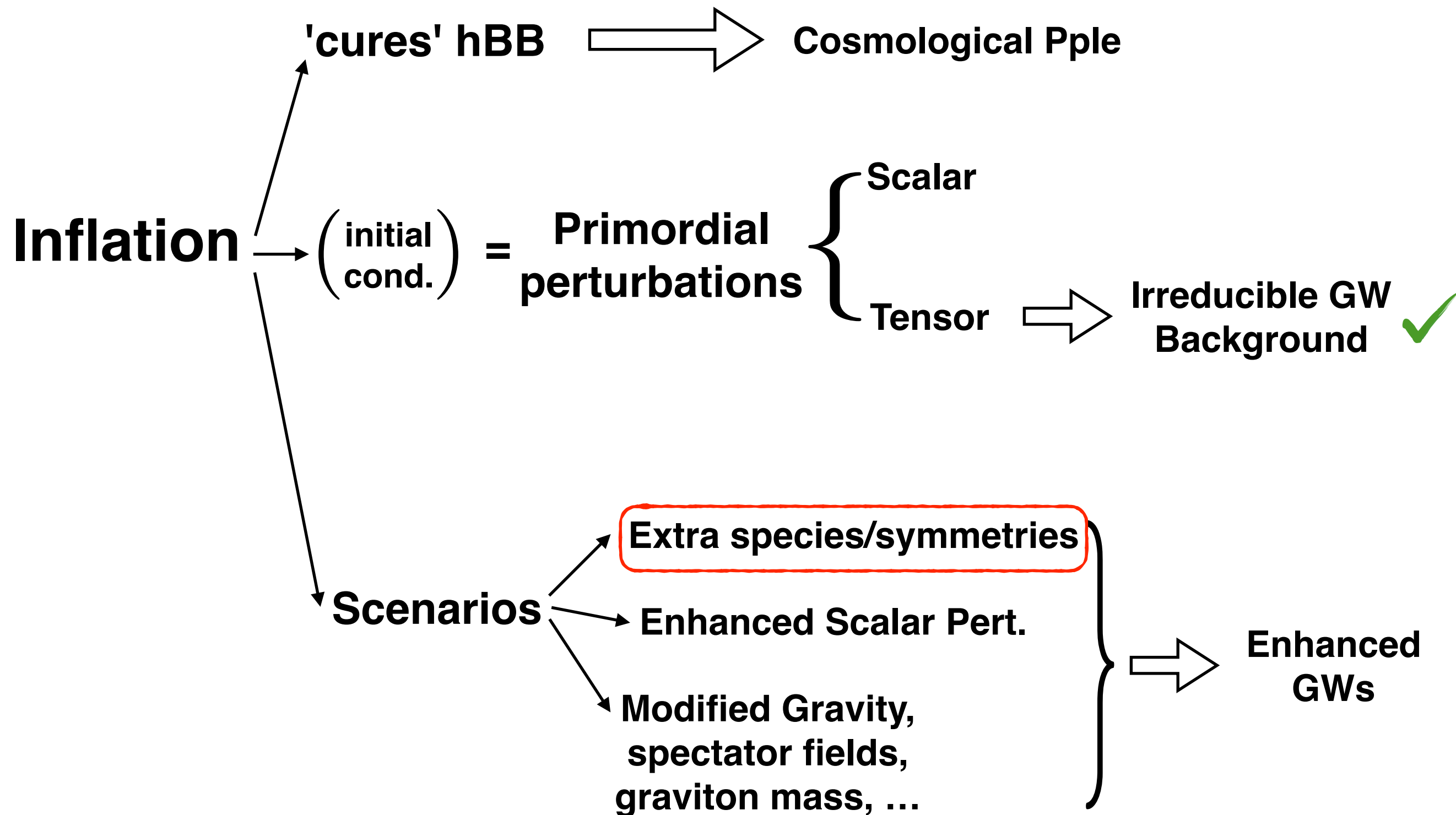
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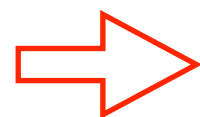
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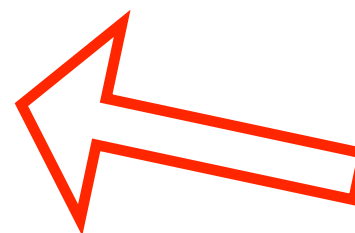
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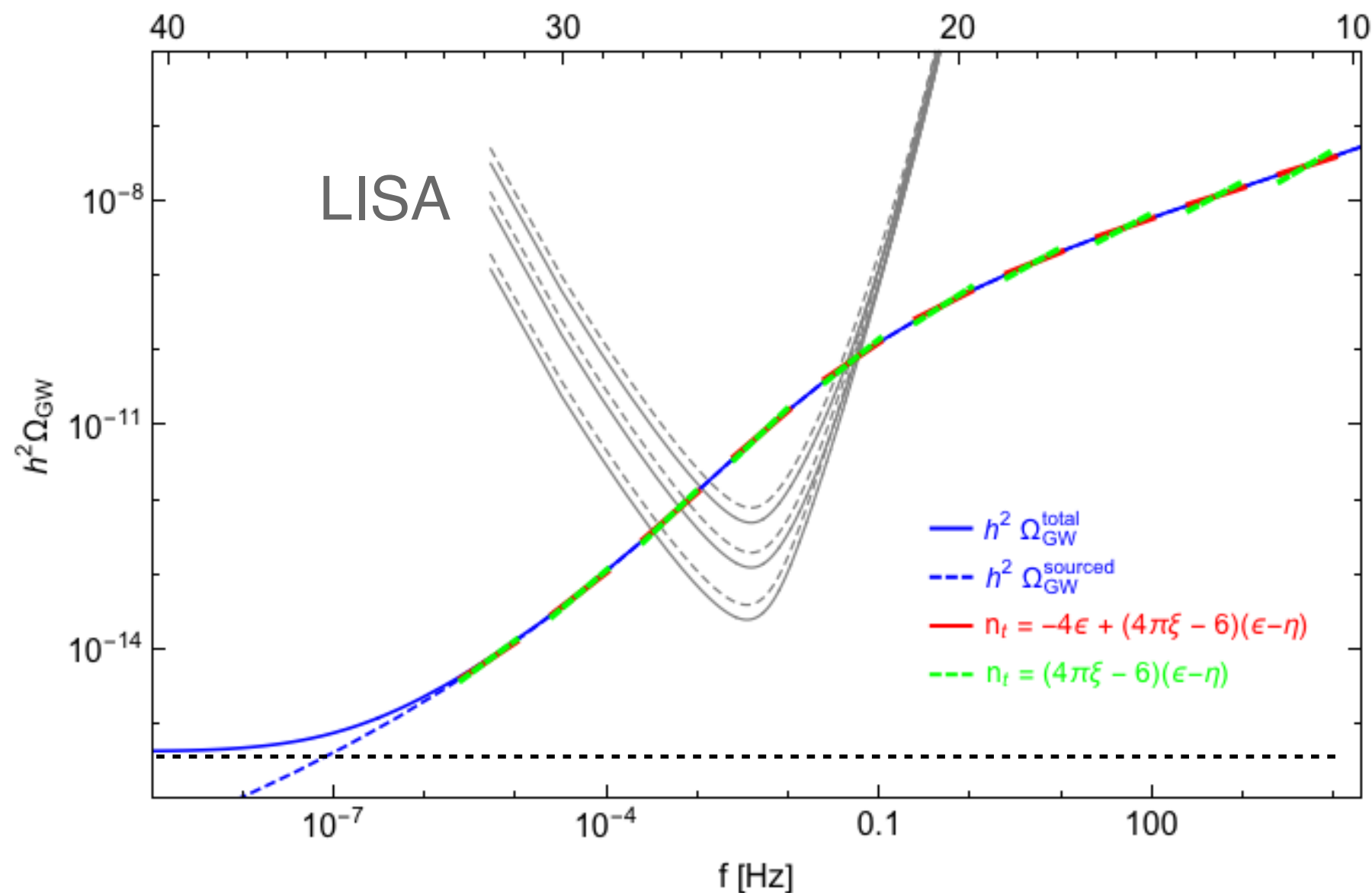
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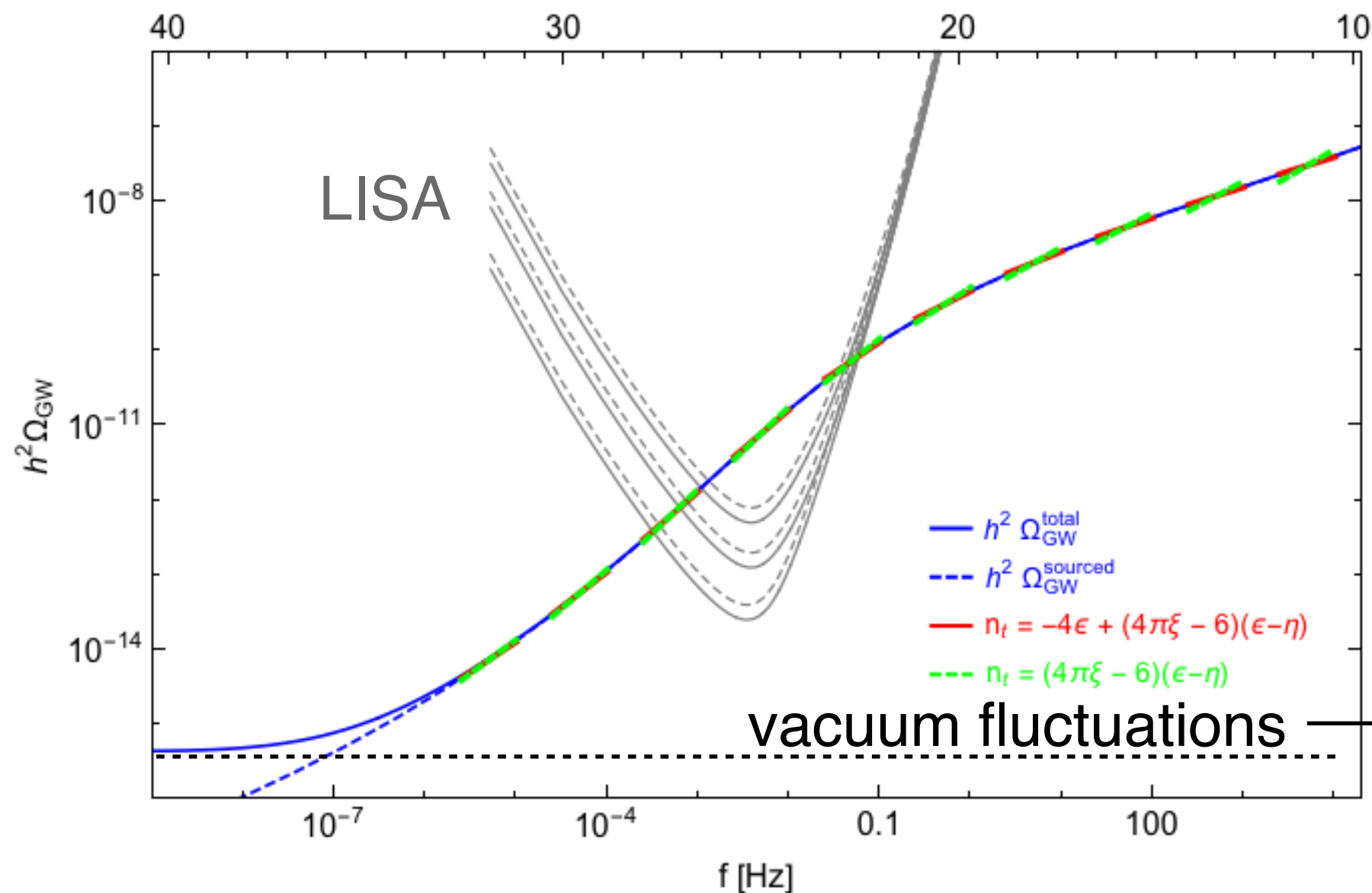


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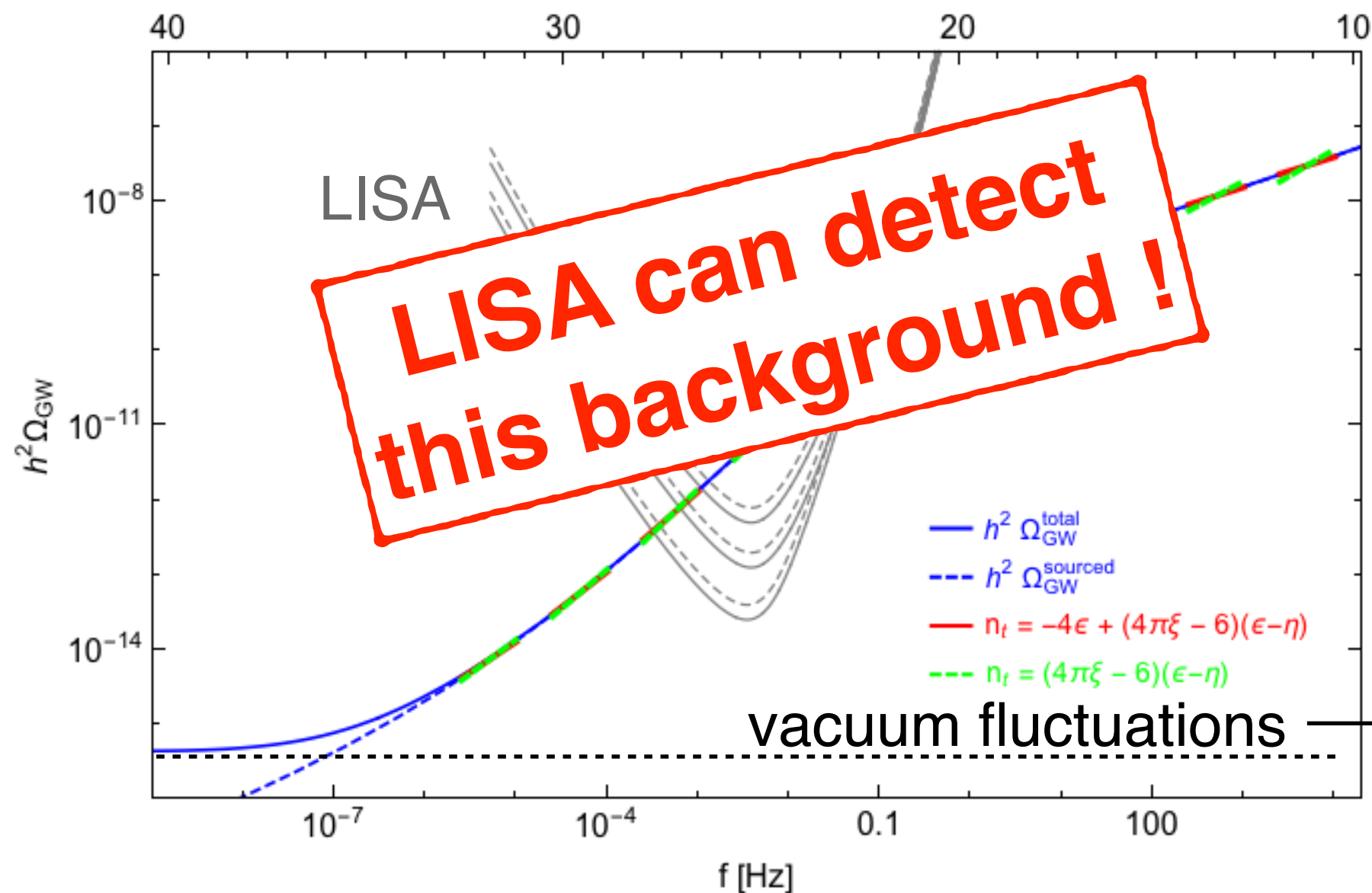


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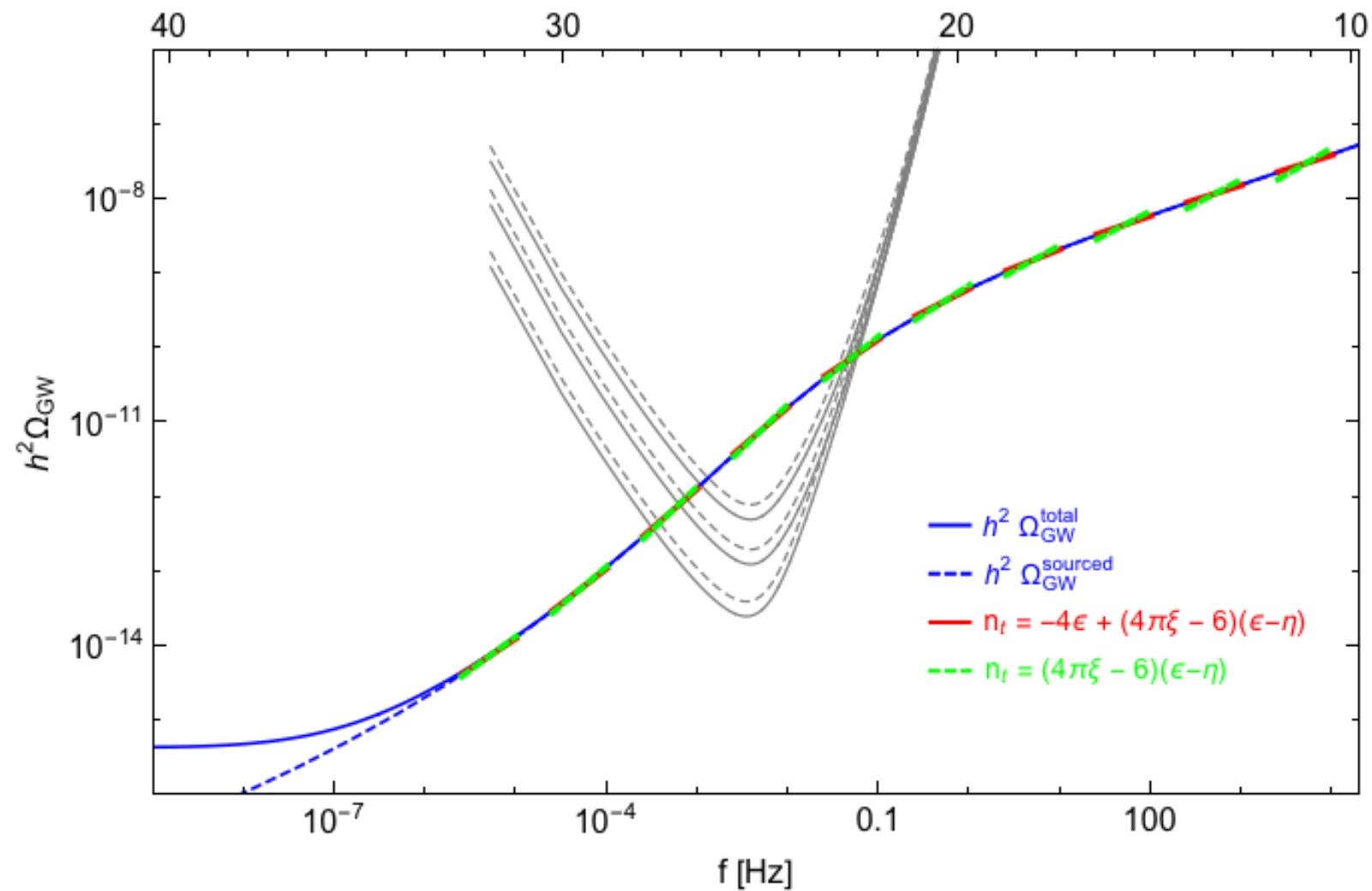
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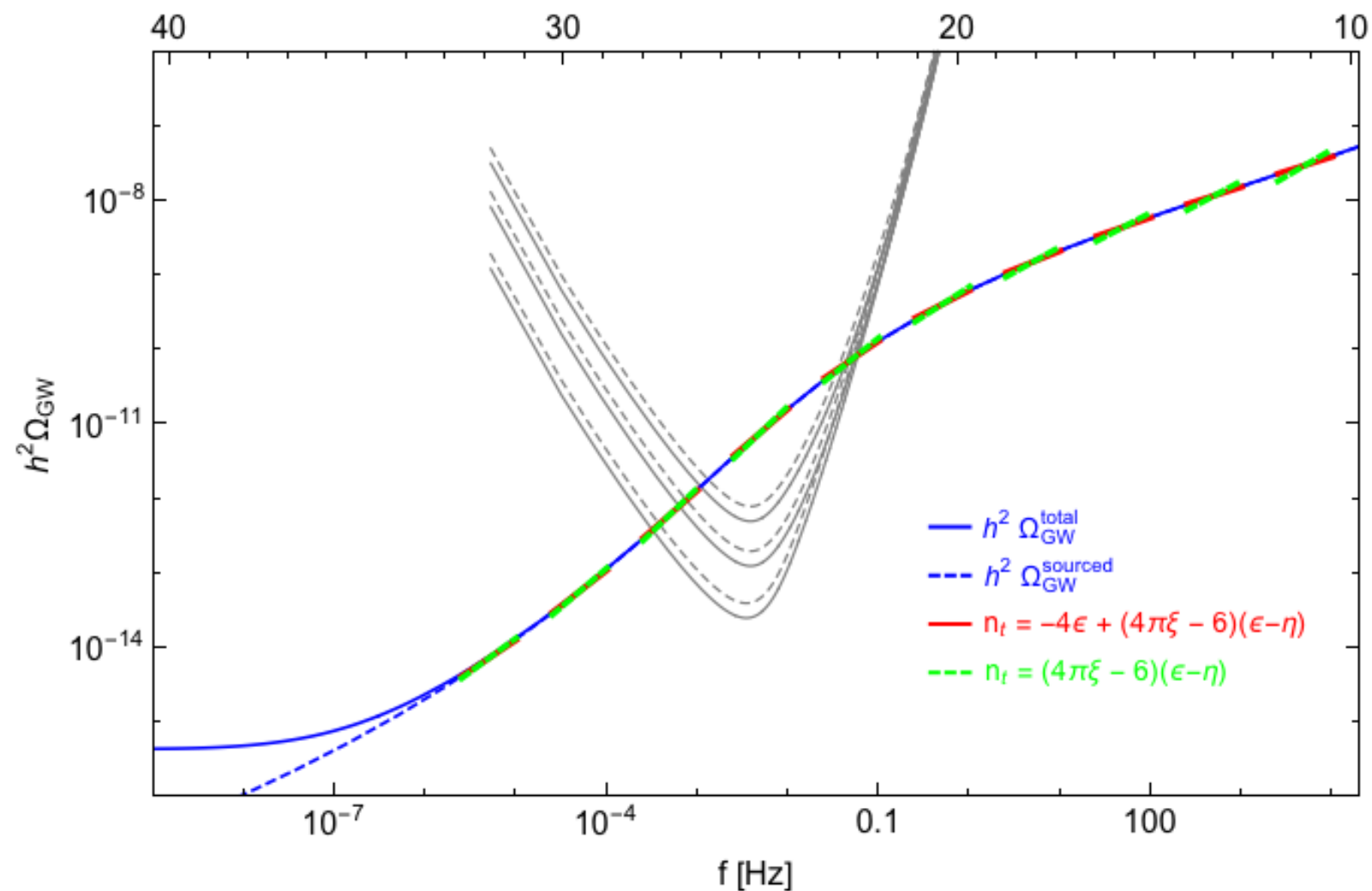
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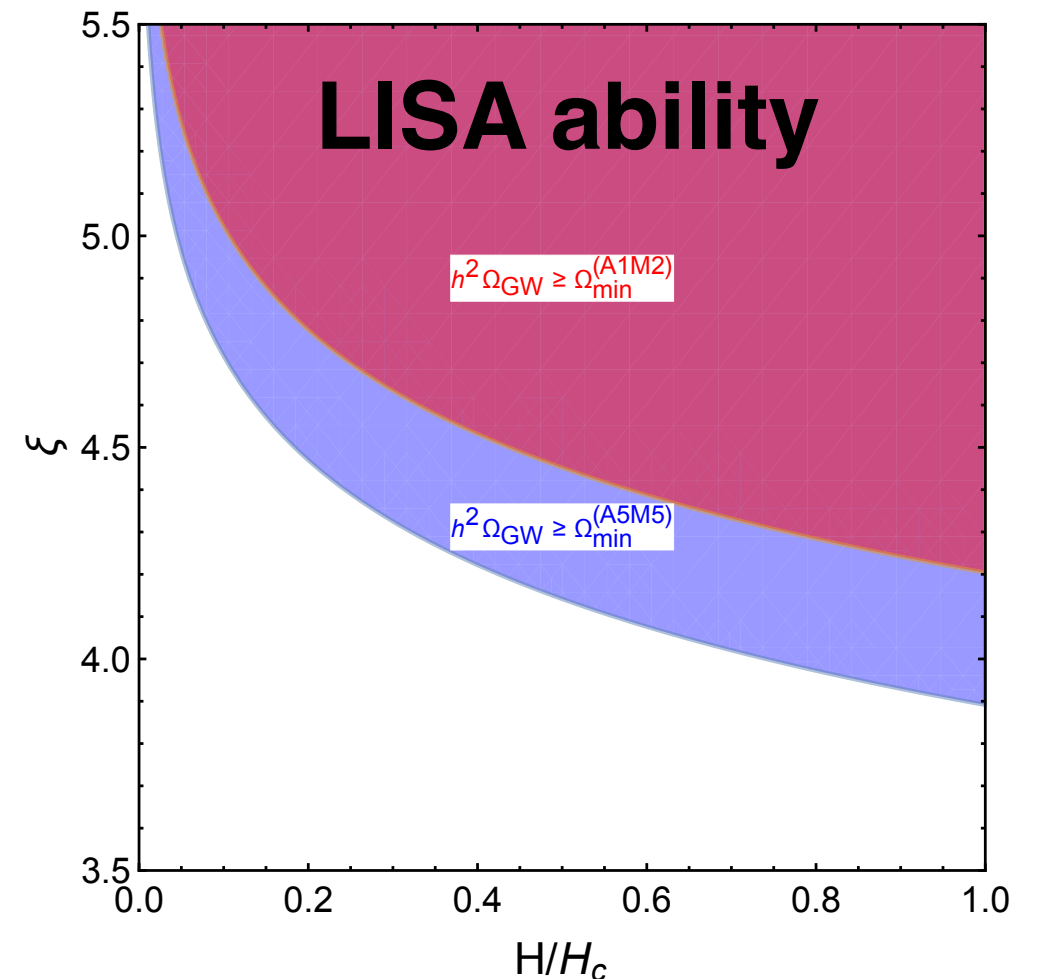
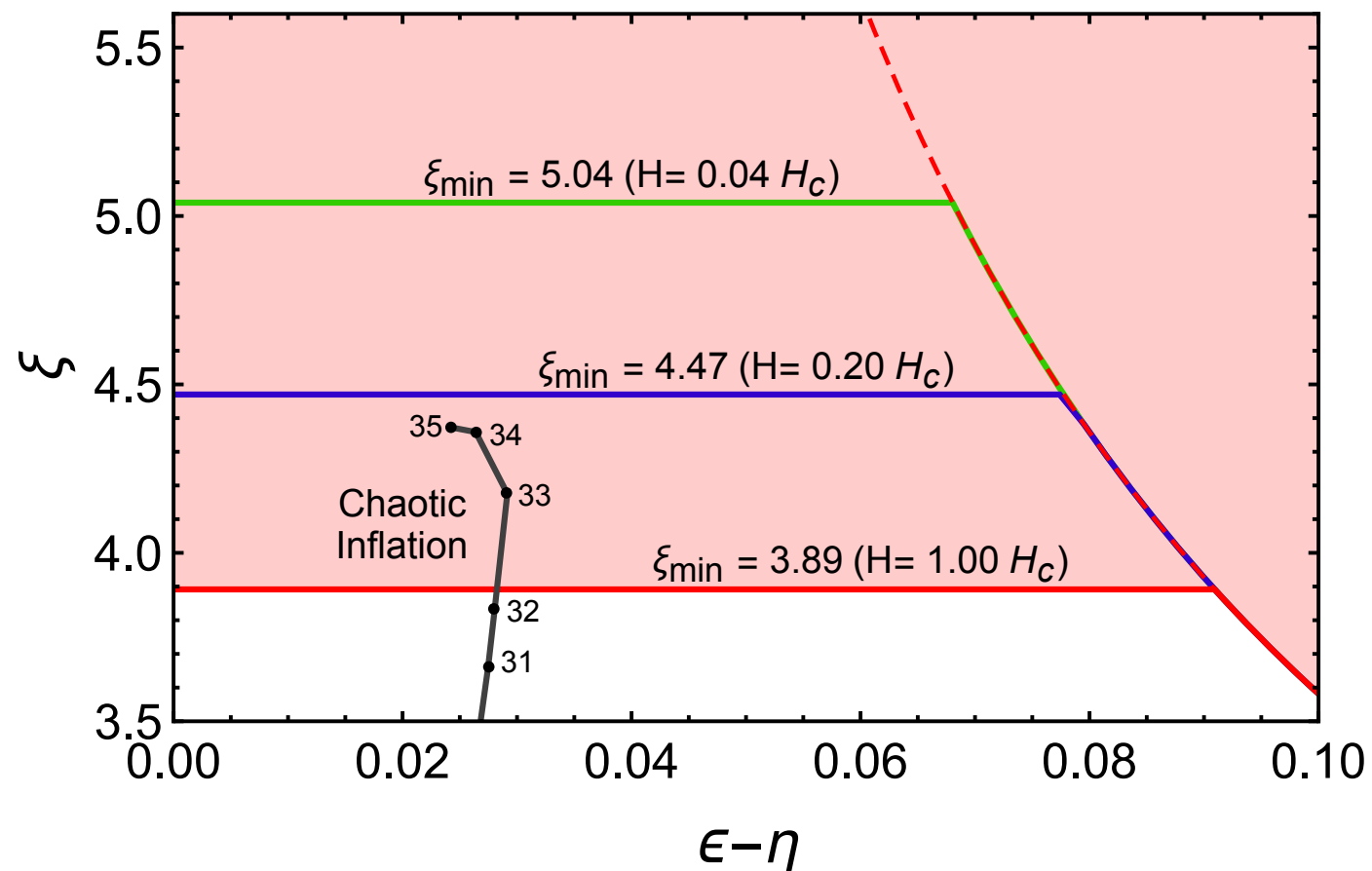
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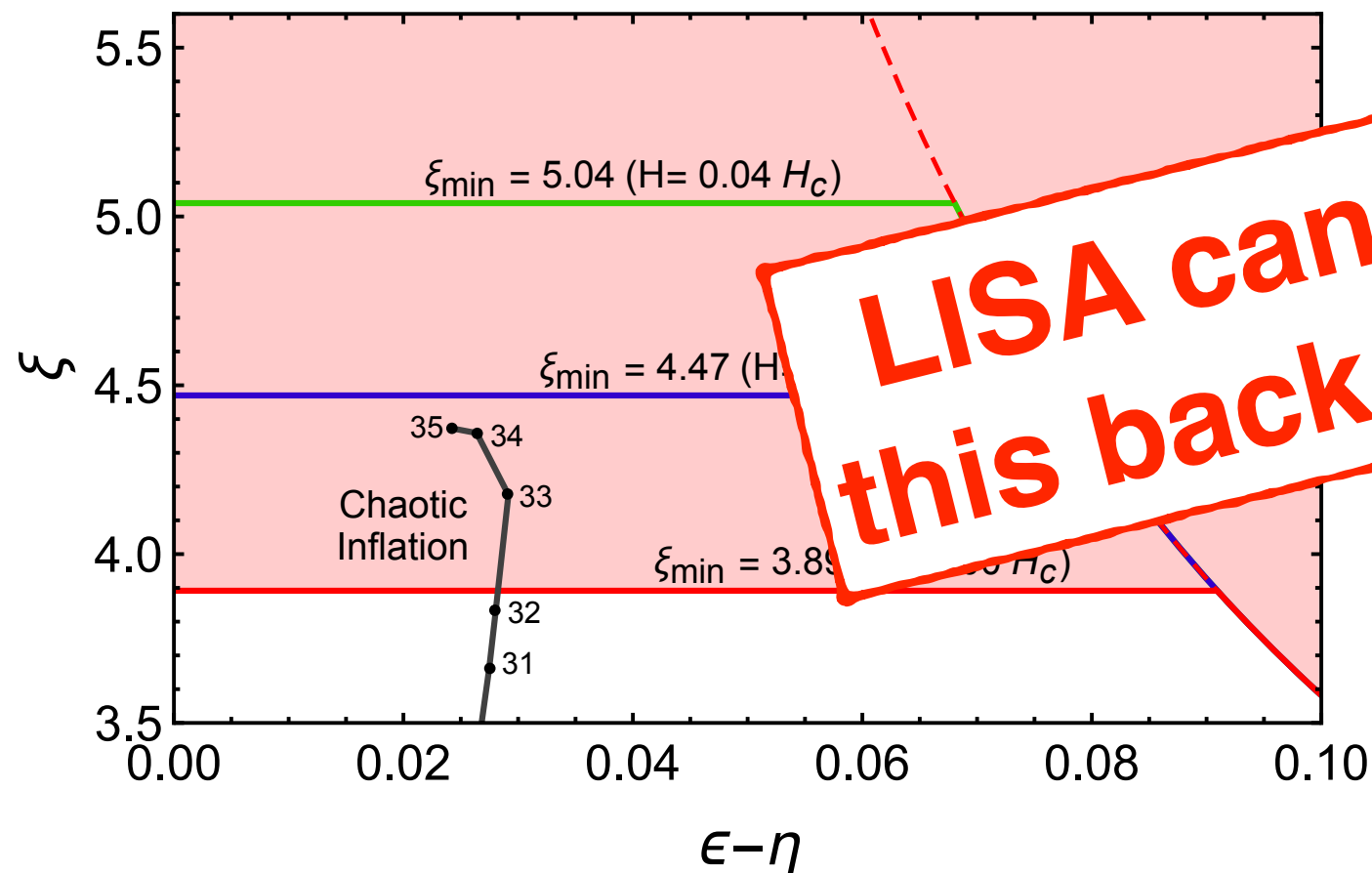
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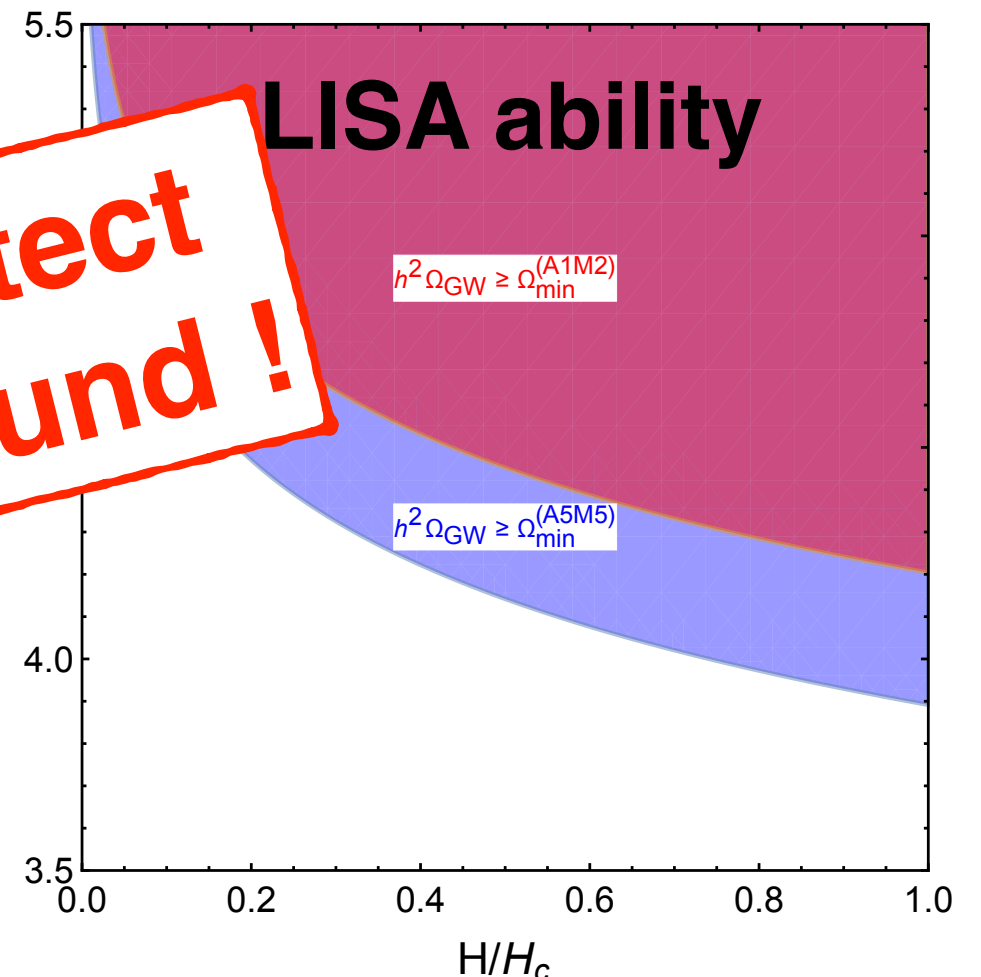
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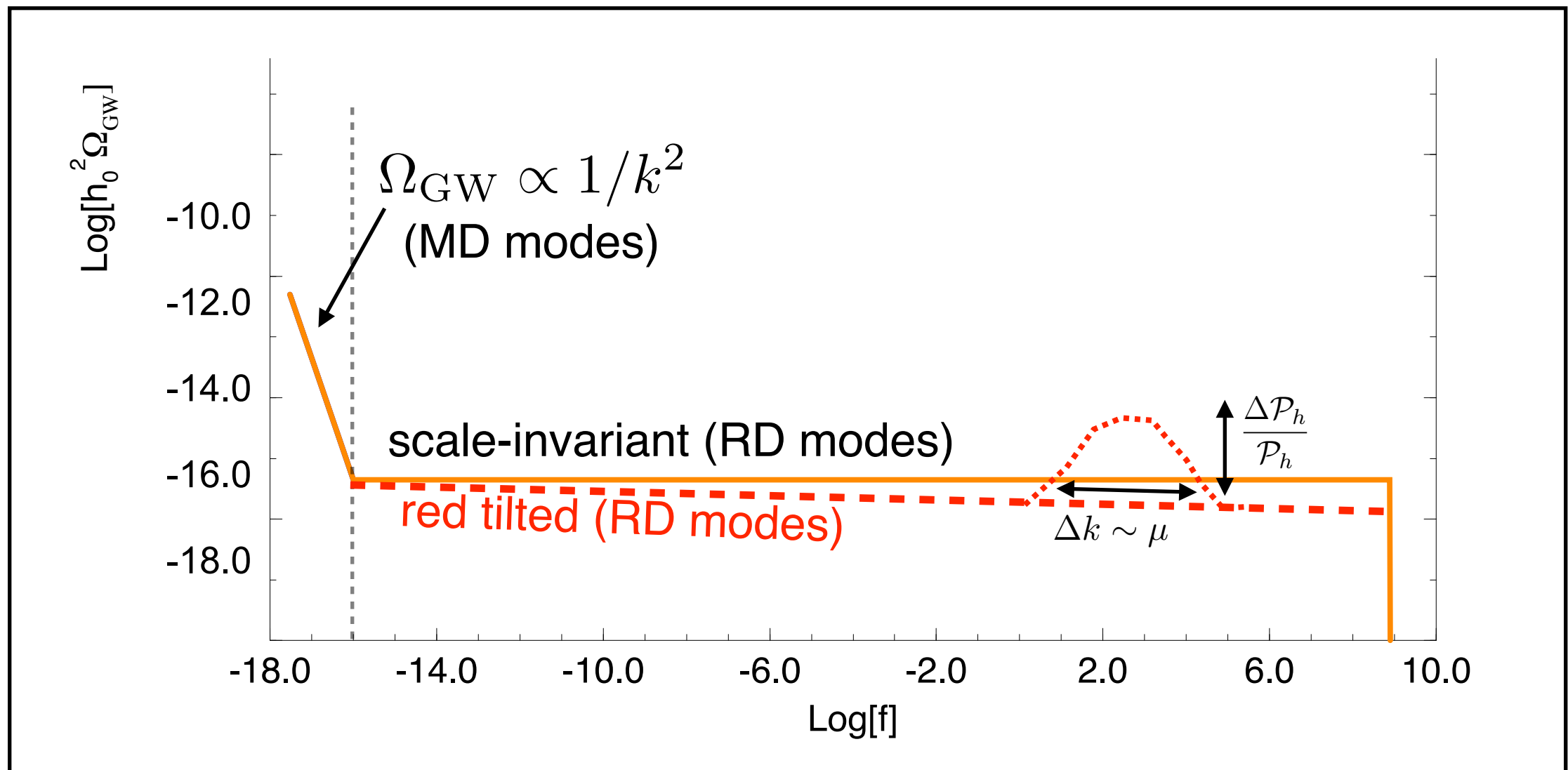
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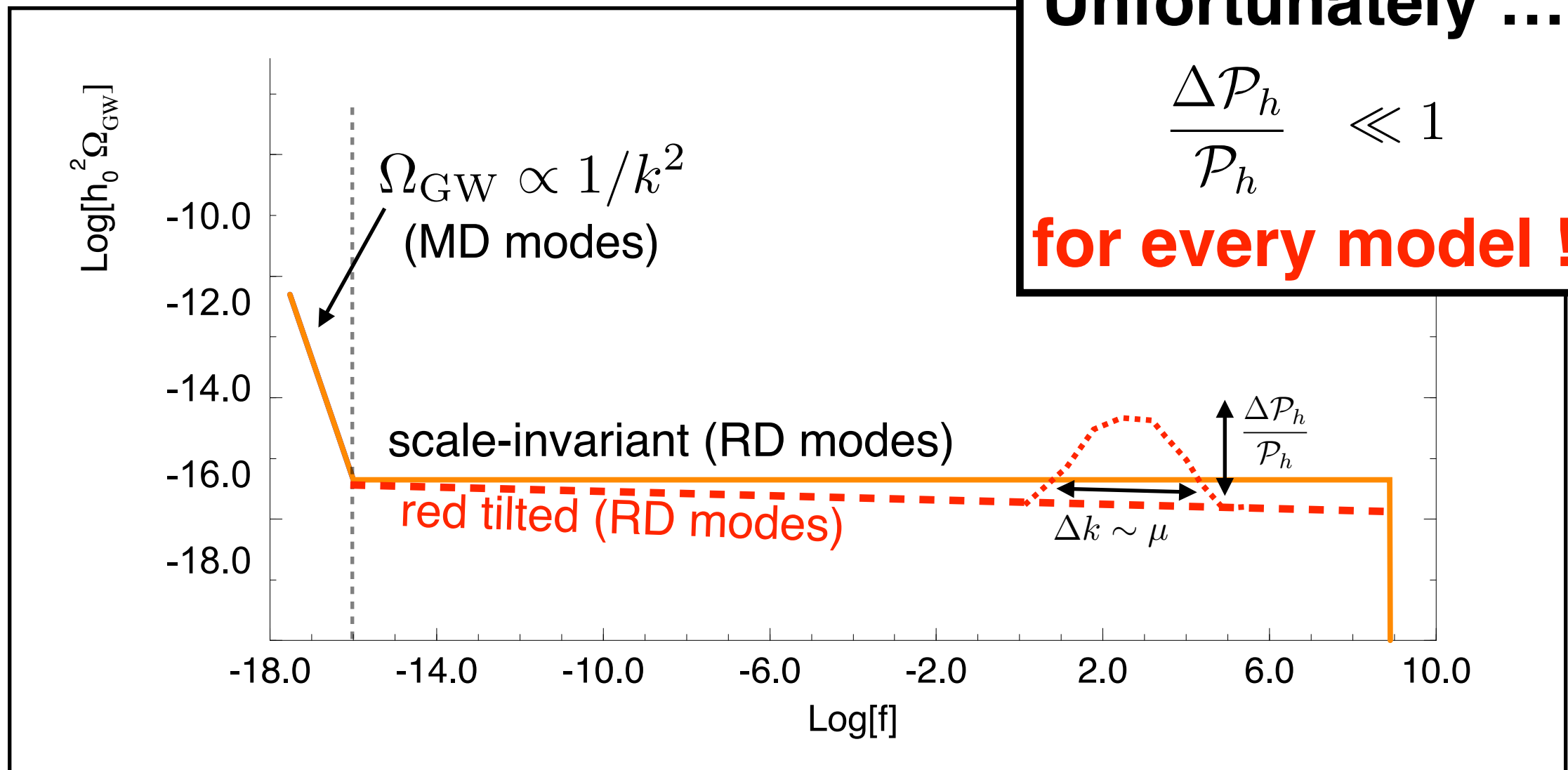
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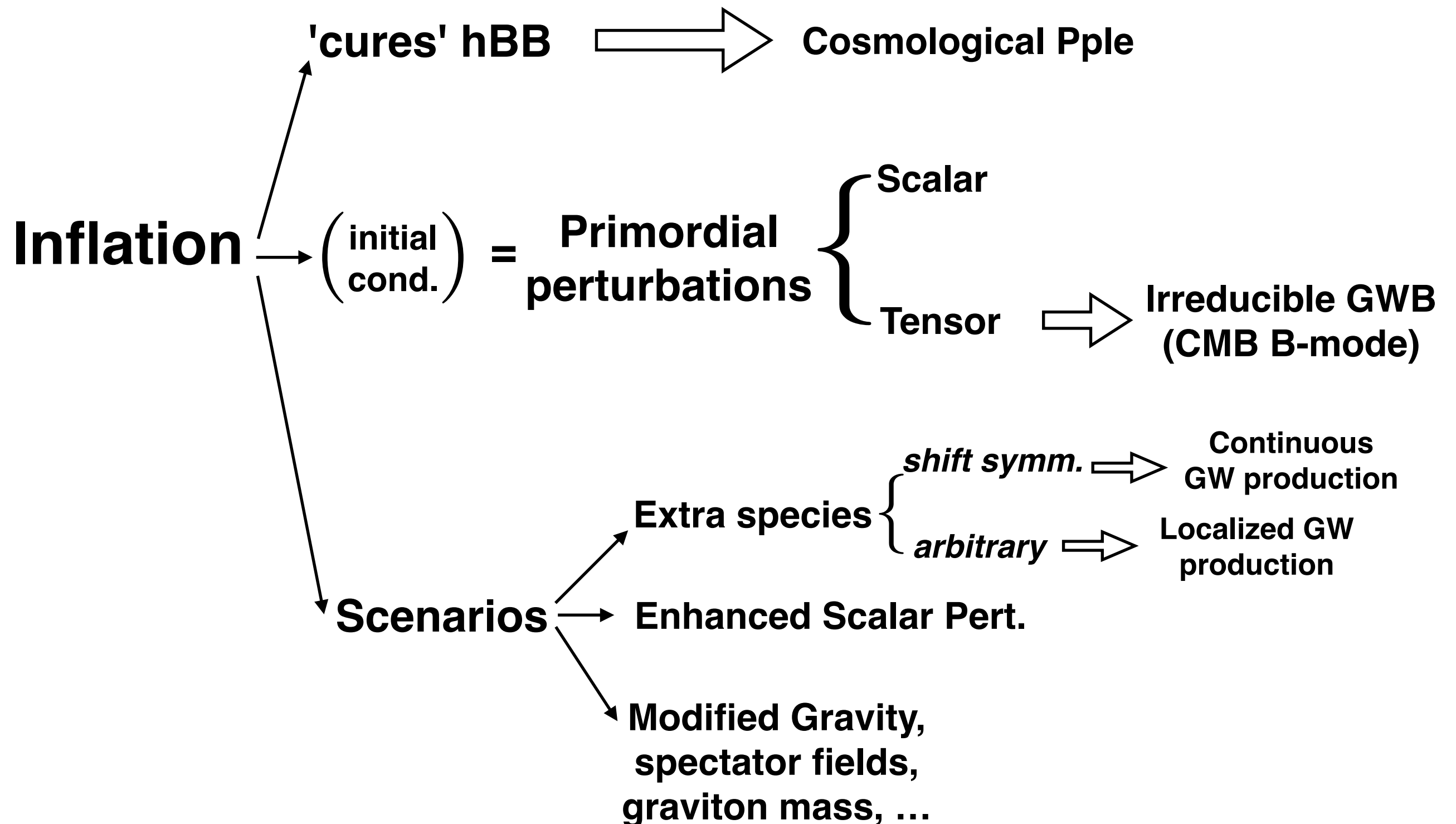
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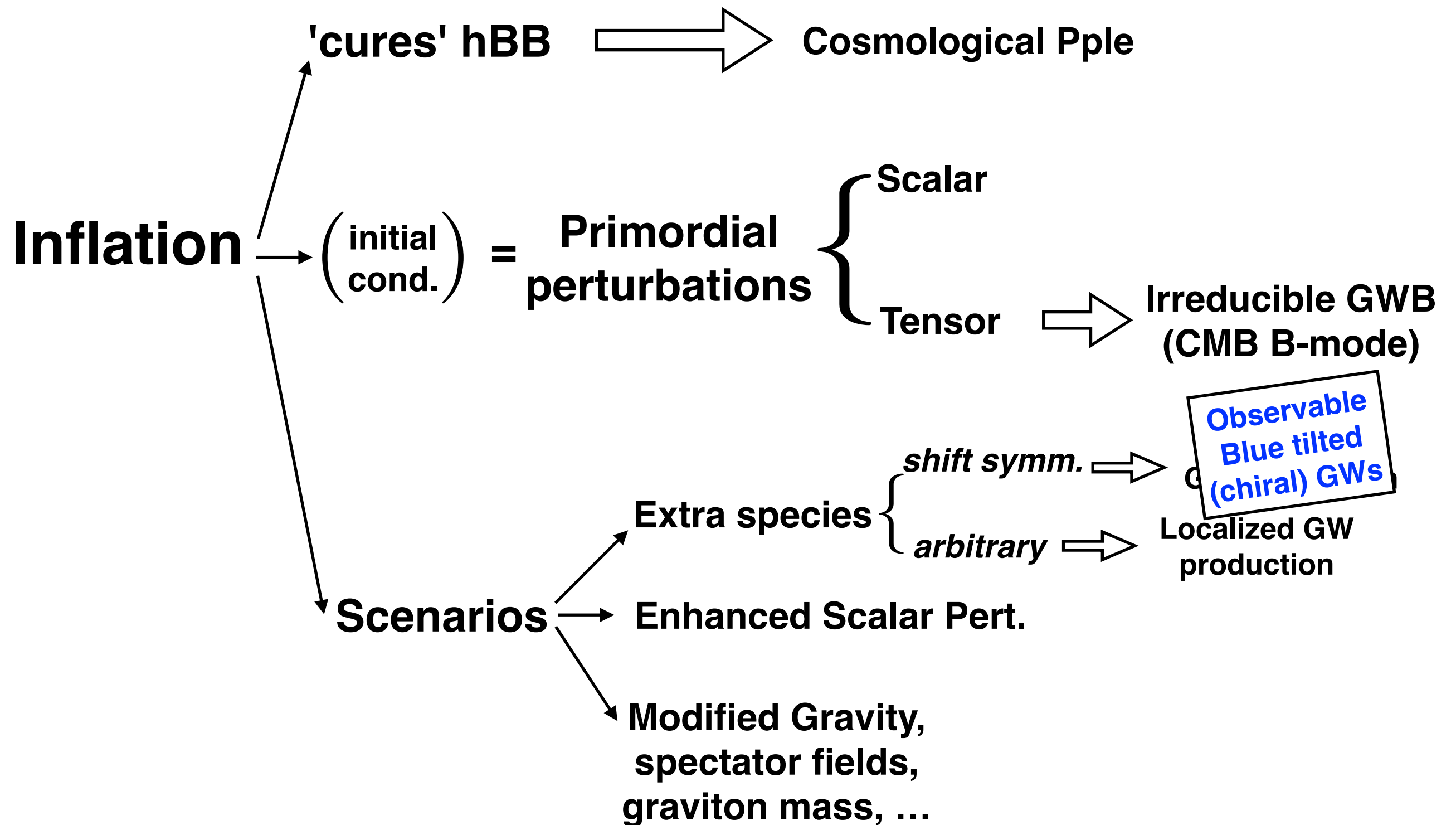
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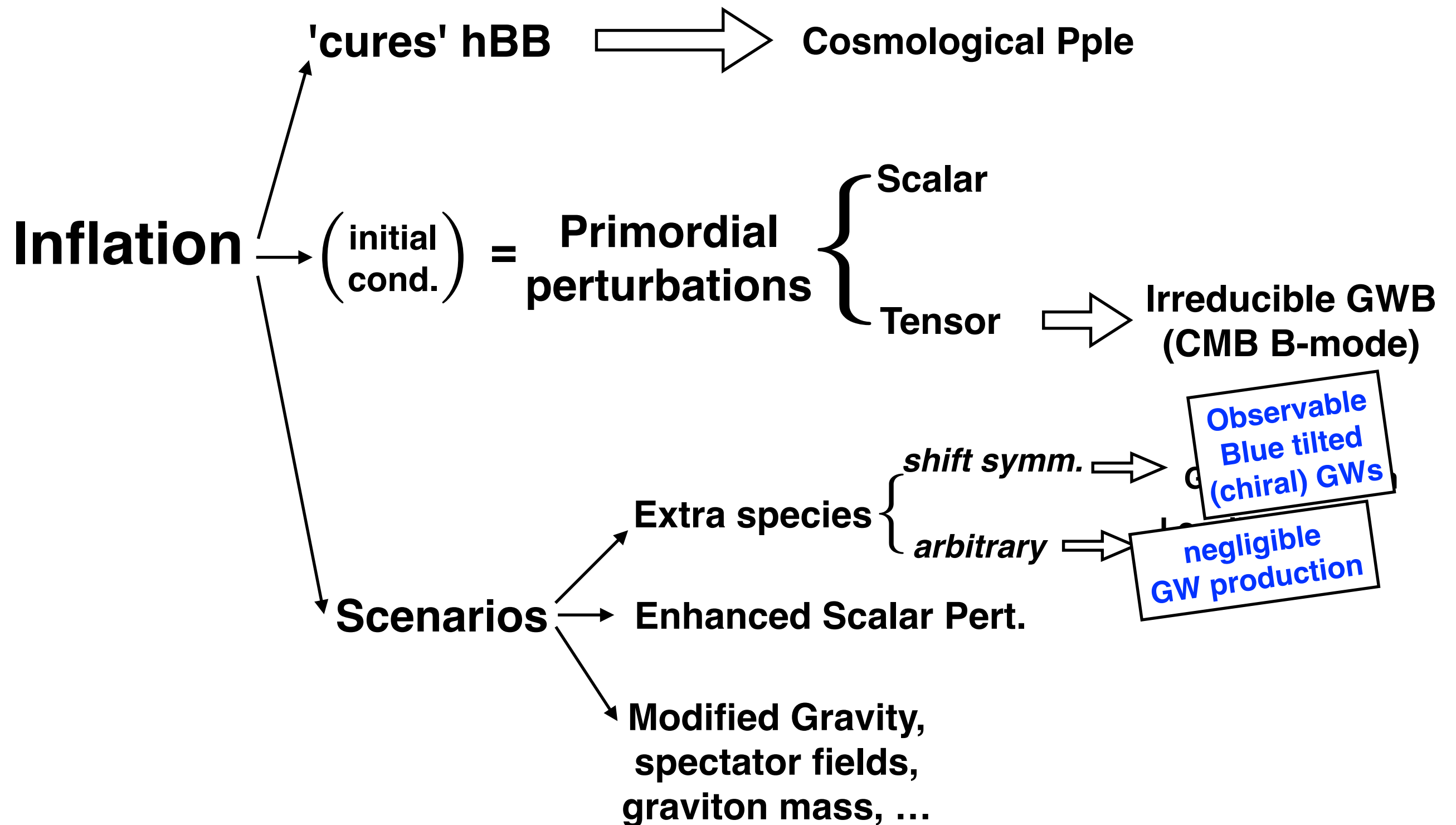
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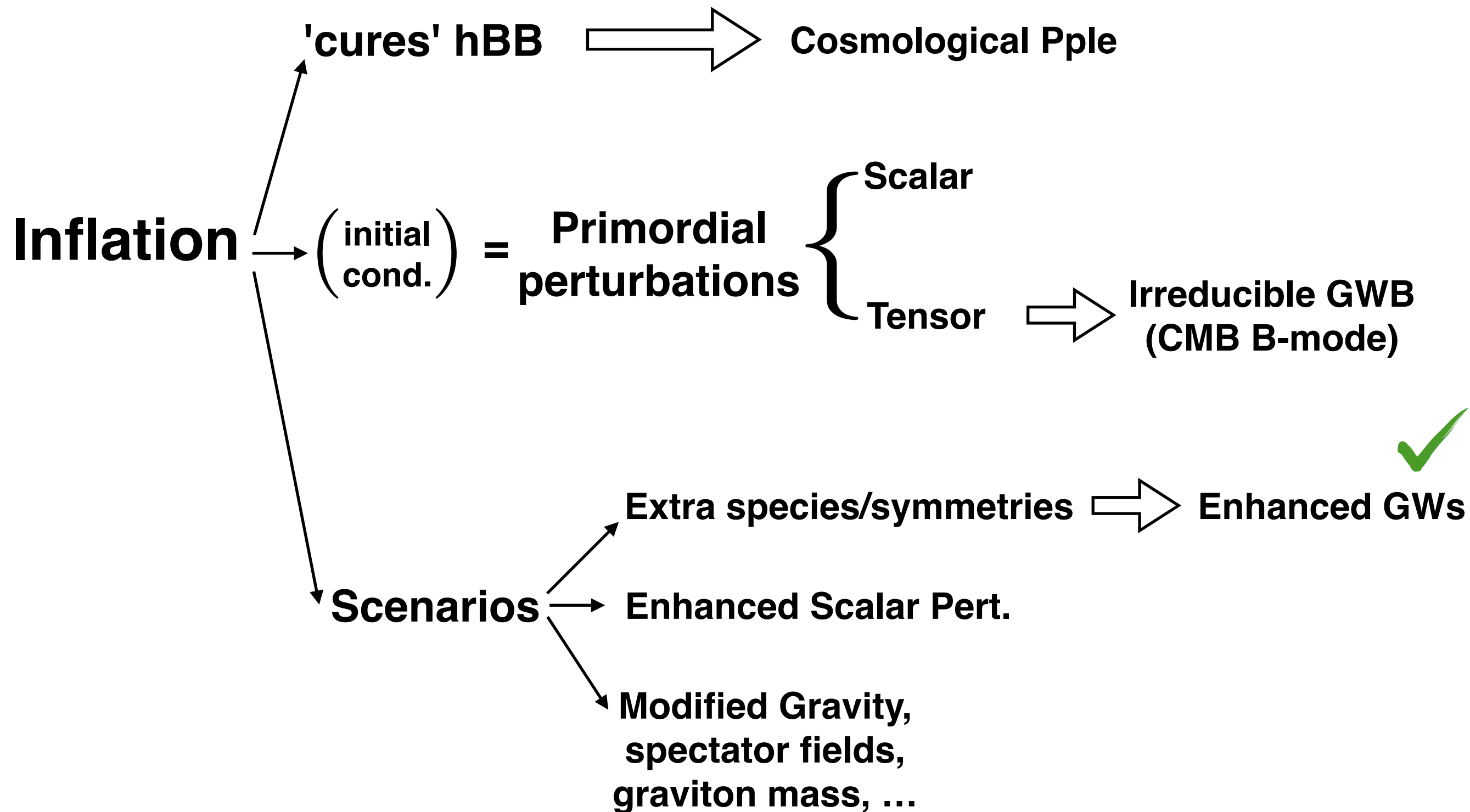
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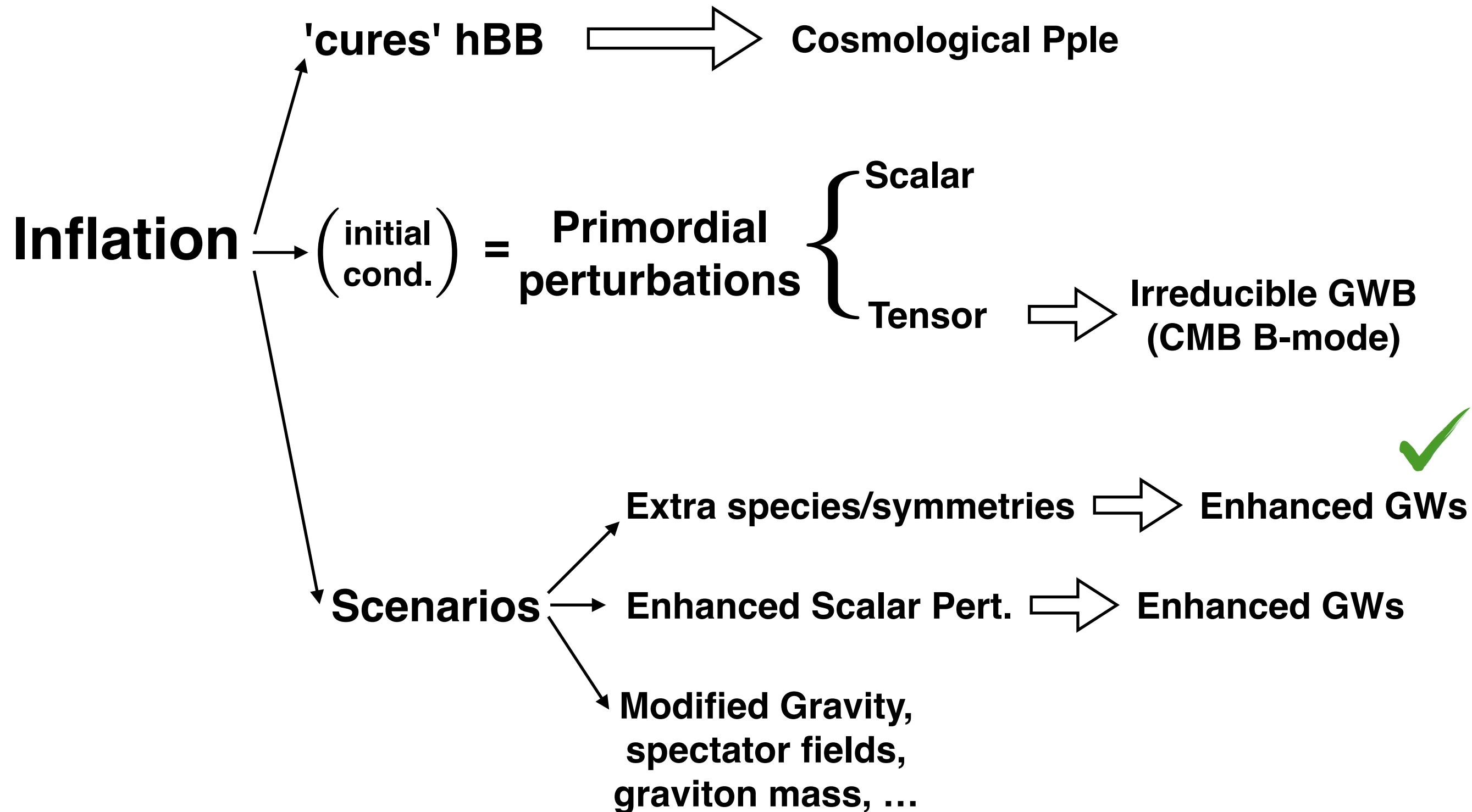
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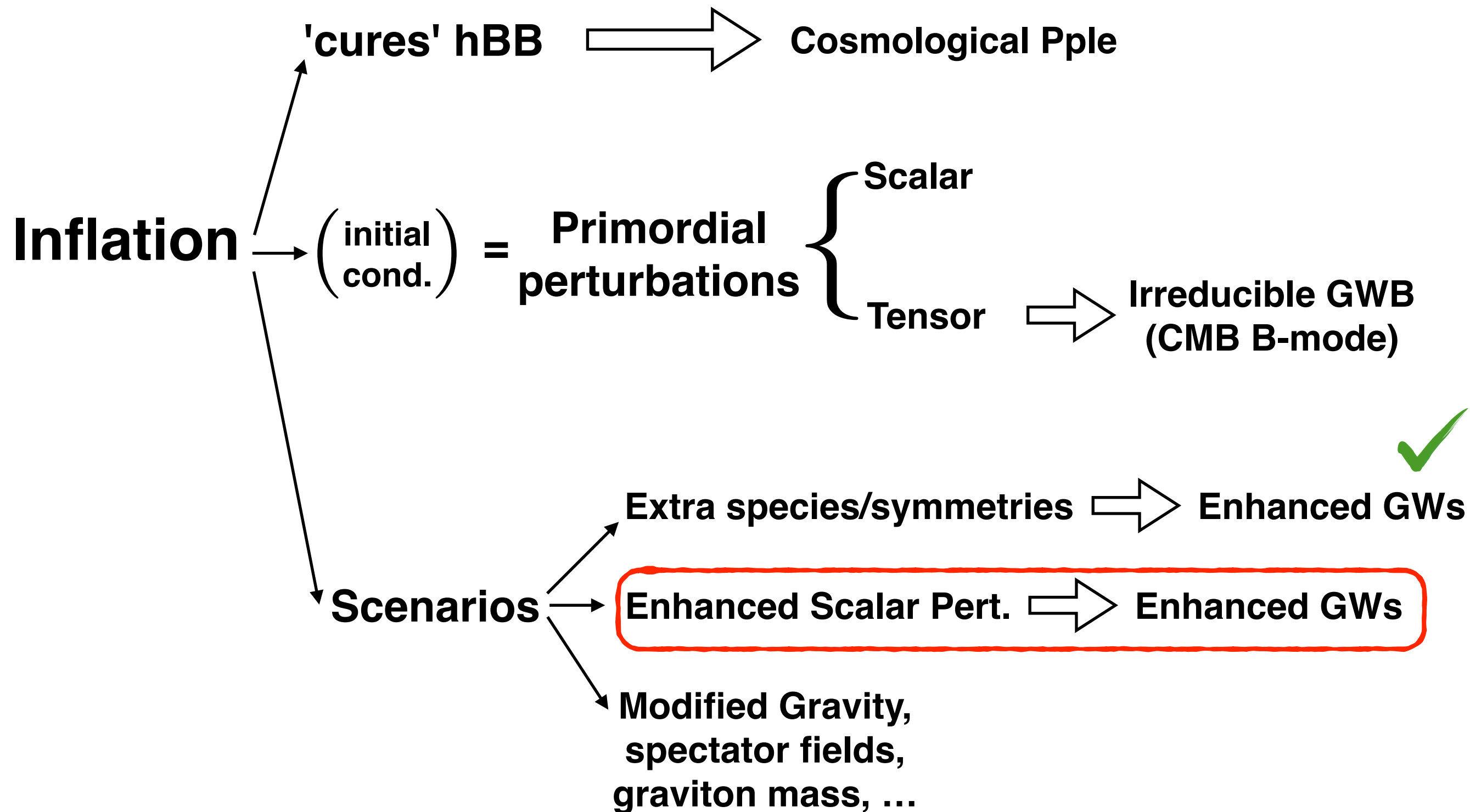
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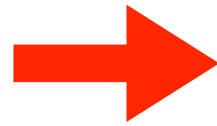


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$$g_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu}^{FRW} + \delta g_{\mu\nu}[\mathcal{R}, h_{ij}]$$

$$\Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^2(k) = \frac{H^4}{(2\pi)^2 \dot{\phi}^2} \left(\frac{k}{aH} \right)^{n_s - 1}$$

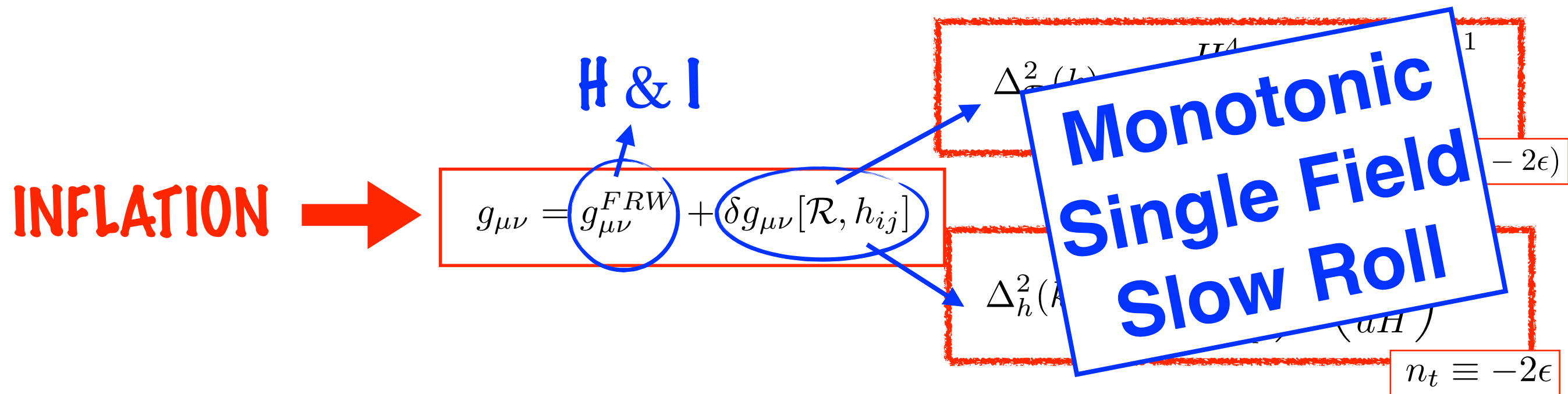
$$n_s - 1 \equiv 2(\eta - 2\epsilon)$$

$$\Delta_h^2(k) = \frac{2}{\pi^2} \left(\frac{H}{m_p} \right)^2 \left(\frac{k}{aH} \right)^{n_t}$$

$$n_t \equiv -2\epsilon$$

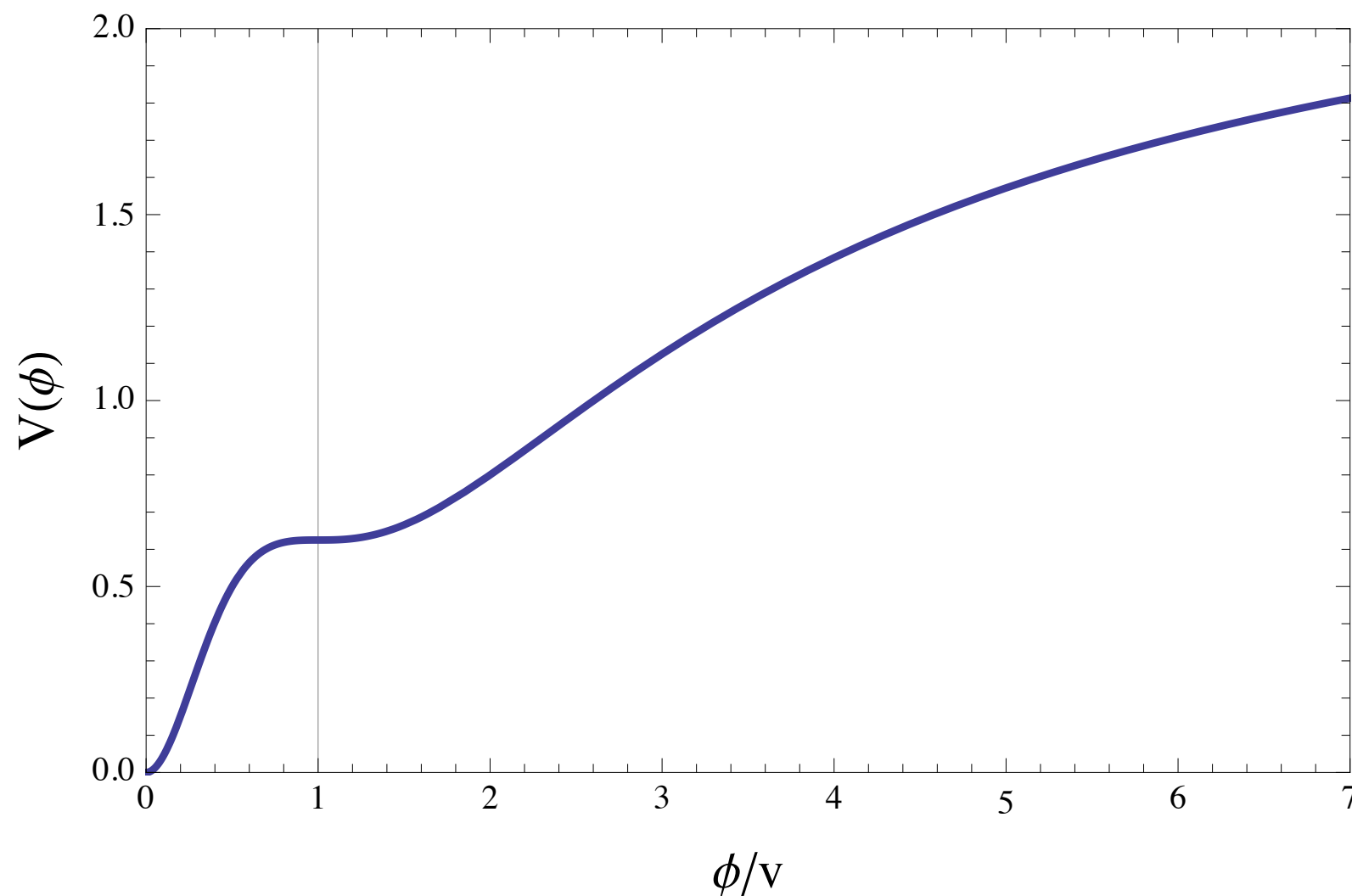
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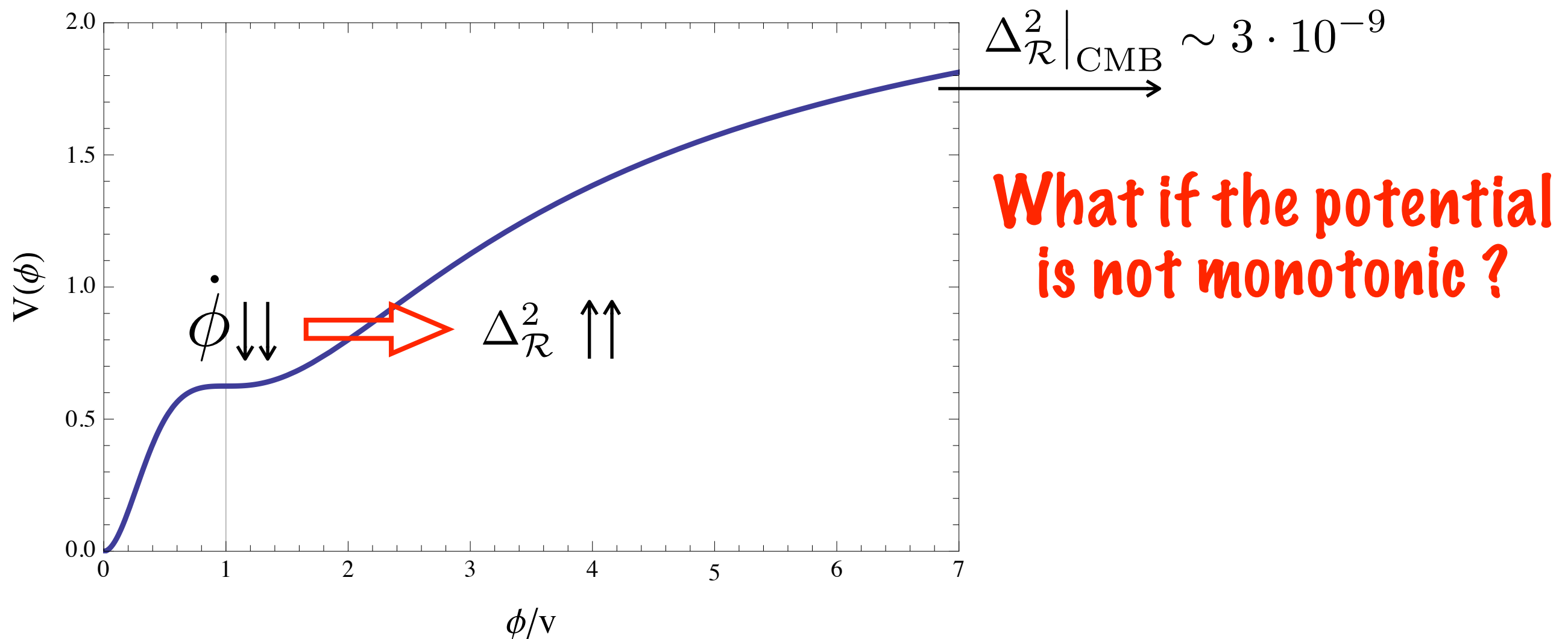
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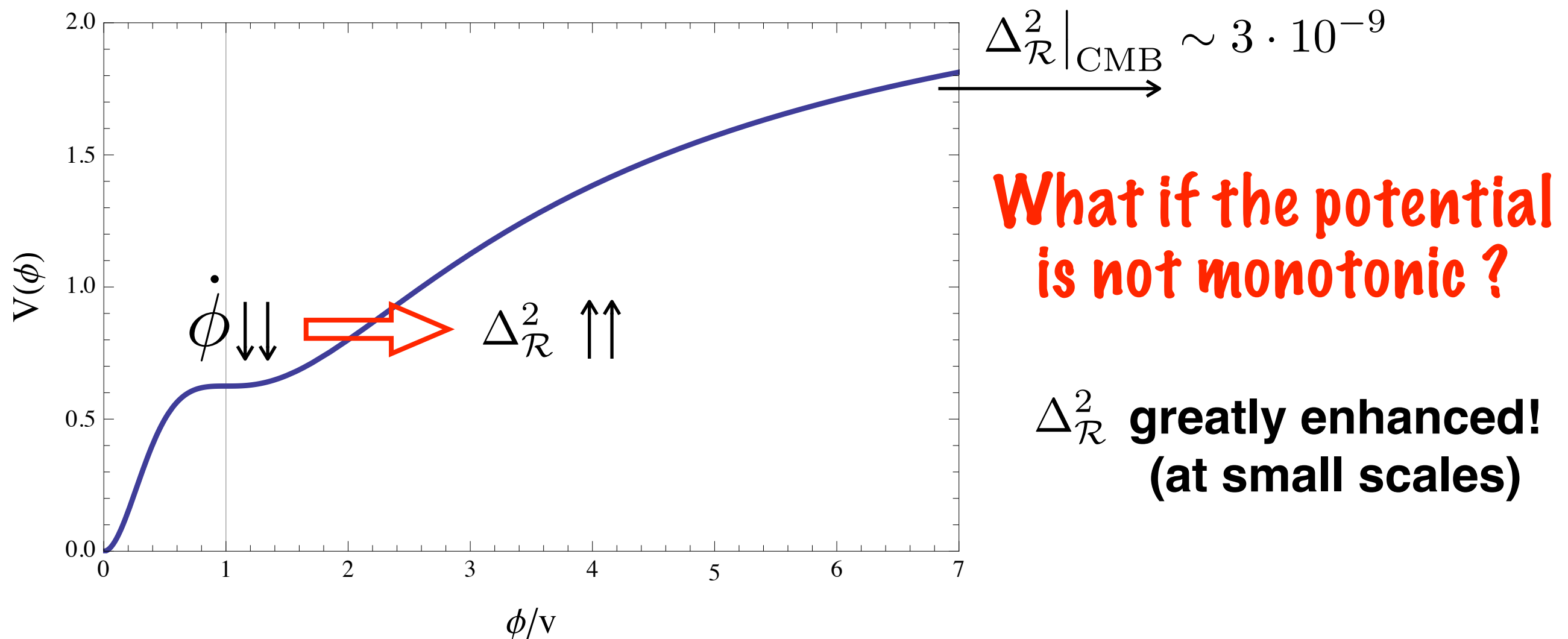


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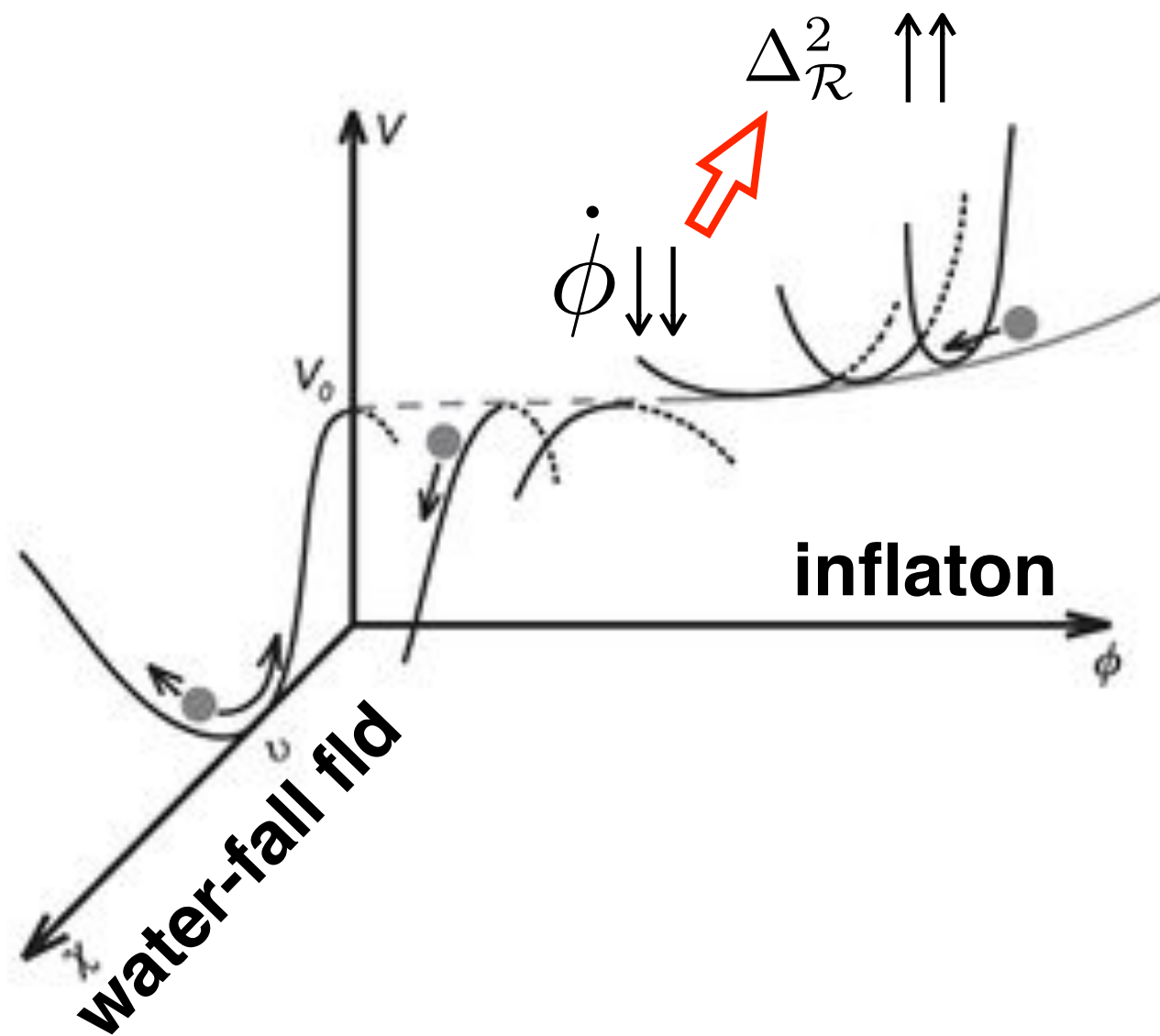
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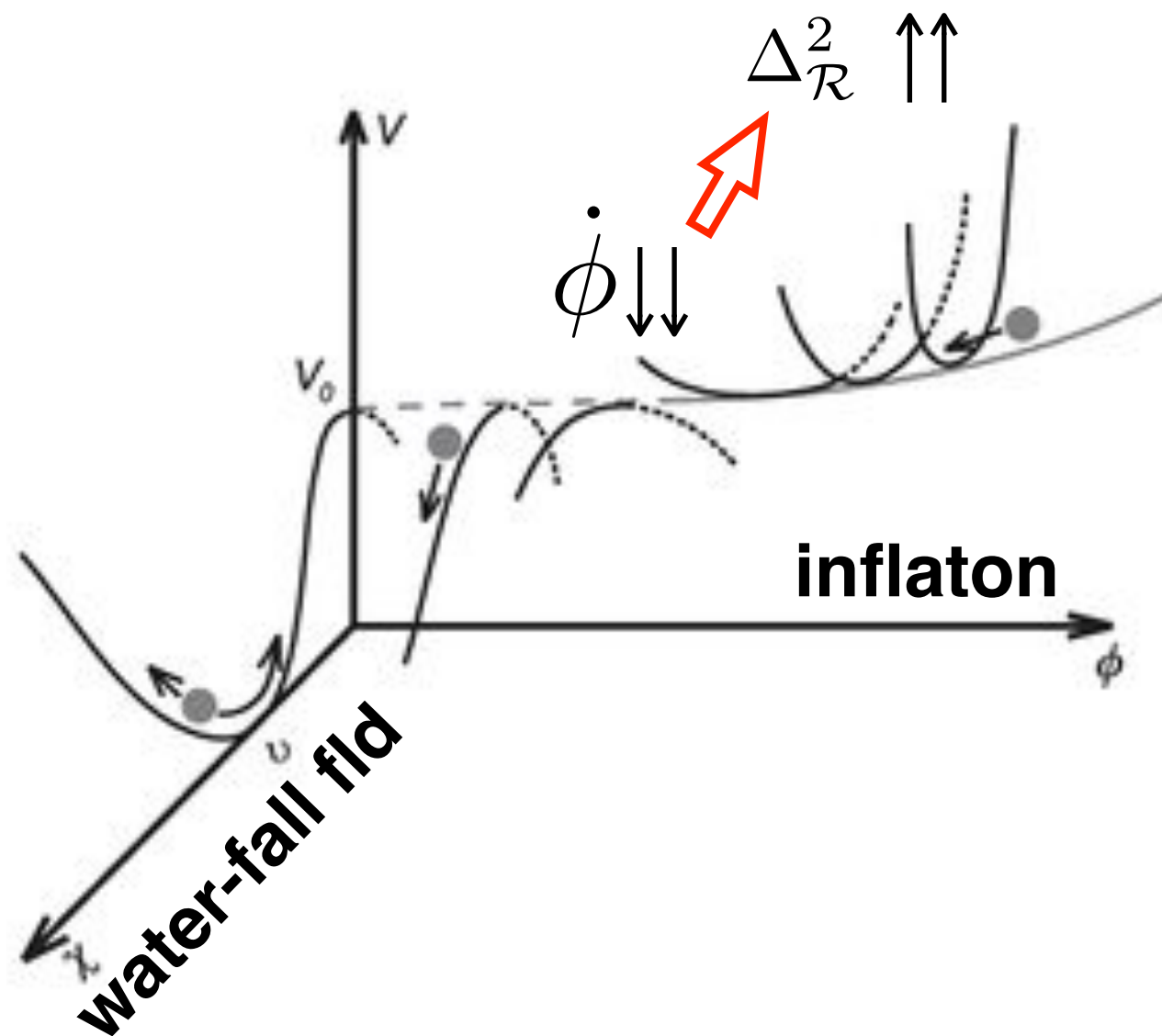


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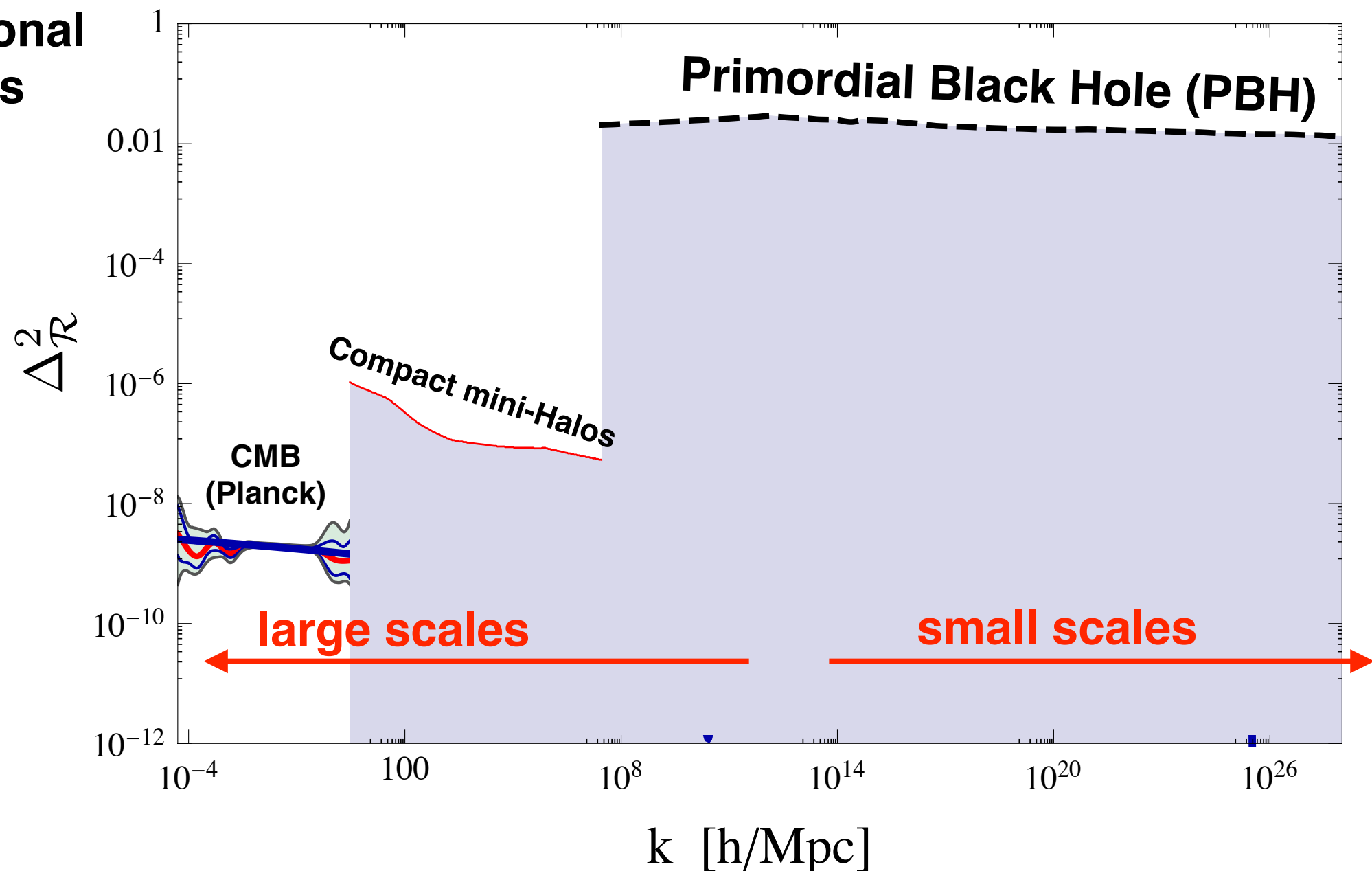
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$$\begin{aligned} S_{ij} = & 2\Phi\partial_i\partial_j\Phi - 2\Psi\partial_i\partial_j\Phi + 4\Psi\partial_i\partial_j\Psi + \partial_i\Phi\partial_j\Phi - \partial^i\Phi\partial_j\Psi - \partial^i\Psi\partial_j\Phi + 3\partial^i\Psi\partial_j\Psi \\ & - \frac{4}{3(1+w)\mathcal{H}^2}\partial_i(\Psi' + \mathcal{H}\Phi)\partial_j(\Psi' + \mathcal{H}\Phi) \\ & - \frac{2c_s^2}{3w\mathcal{H}}[3\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{H}\Phi - \Psi') + \nabla^2\Psi]\partial_i\partial_j(\Phi - \Psi) \end{aligned}$$

D. Wands et al, 2006-2010
Baumann et al, 2007
Peloso et al, 2018

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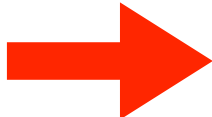

LIGO $\Omega_{gw,0} < 6.9 \times 10^{-6} \longrightarrow \Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^2 < 0.07$

PTA $\Omega_{gw,0} < 4 \times 10^{-8} \longrightarrow \Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^2 < 5 \times 10^{-3}$

LISA $\Omega_{gw,0} < 10^{-13} \longrightarrow \Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^2 < 1 \times 10^{-5}$

BBO $\Omega_{gw,0} < 10^{-17} \longrightarrow \Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^2 < 3 \times 10^{-7}$

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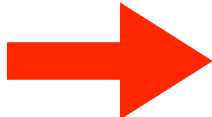

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- * If PBH are the DM, what is the GW from 2nd $O(\Phi)$? Bartolo et al, '18
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- * If GW from from 2nd $O(\Phi)$ PBH, then Anisotropies? Bartolo et al, '19

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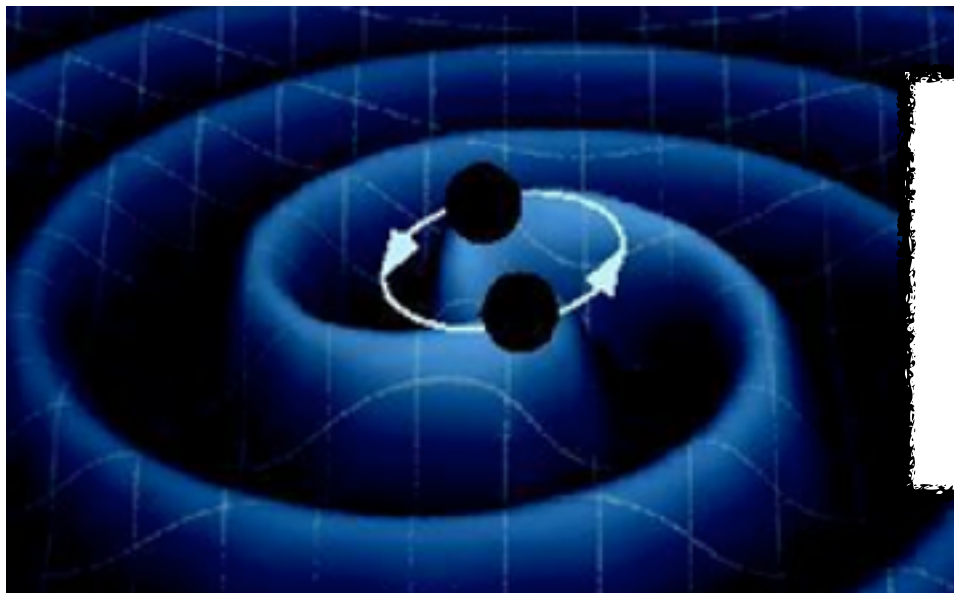
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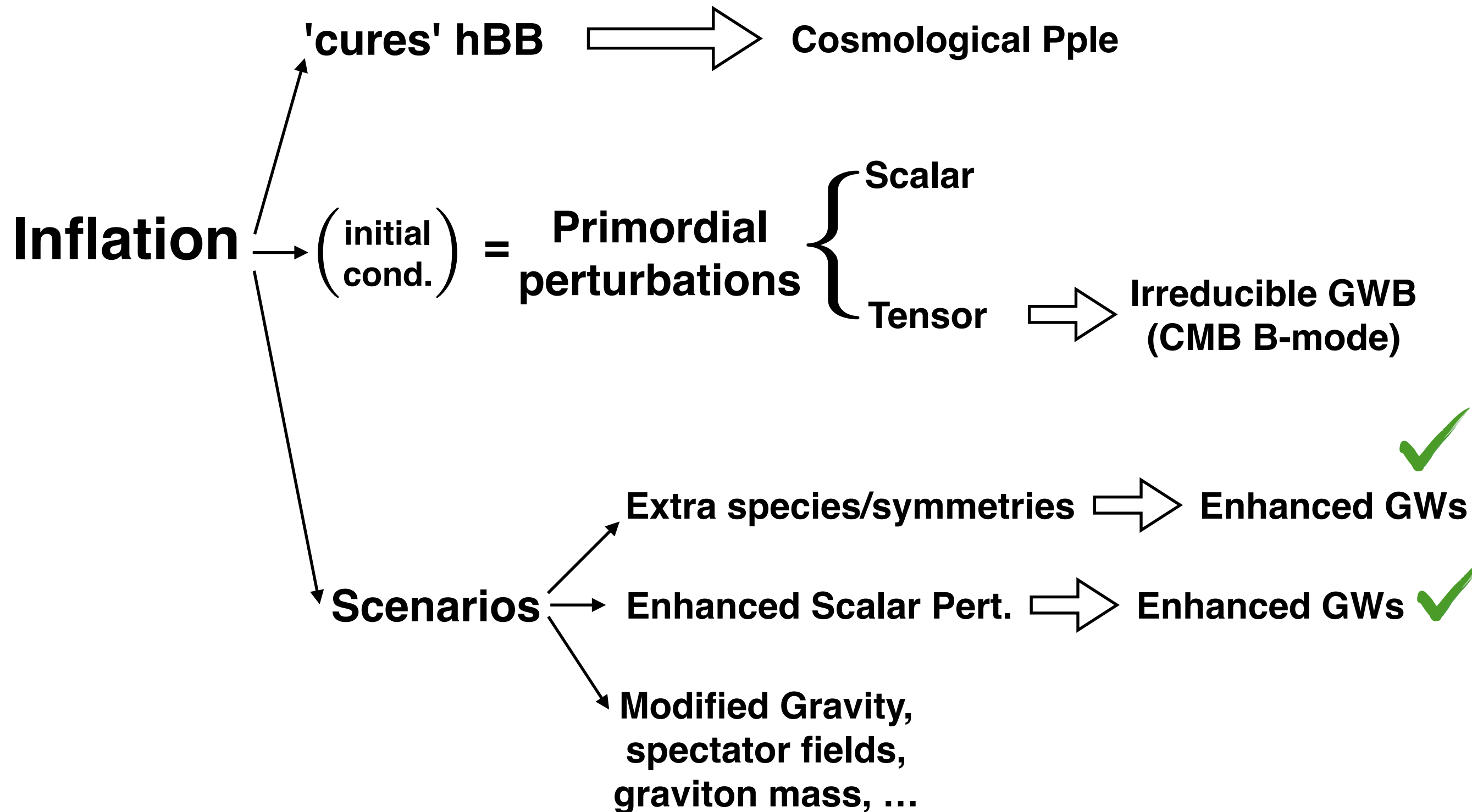
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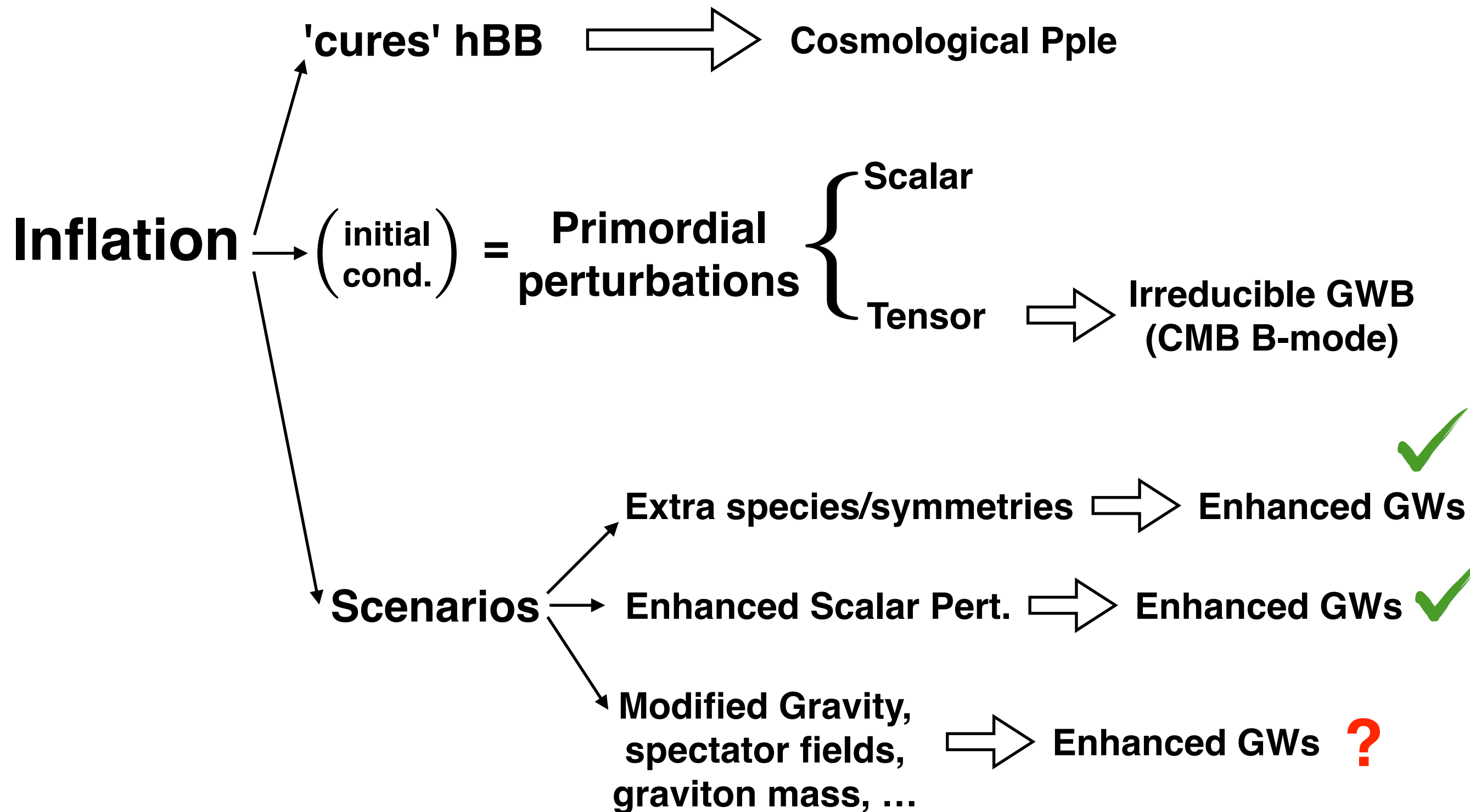
‘We will know determining the mass/spin distribution’
(M. Fishbach (LIGO), Moriond’19)

e.g. 2102.03809, 2105.03349, De Luca *et al*

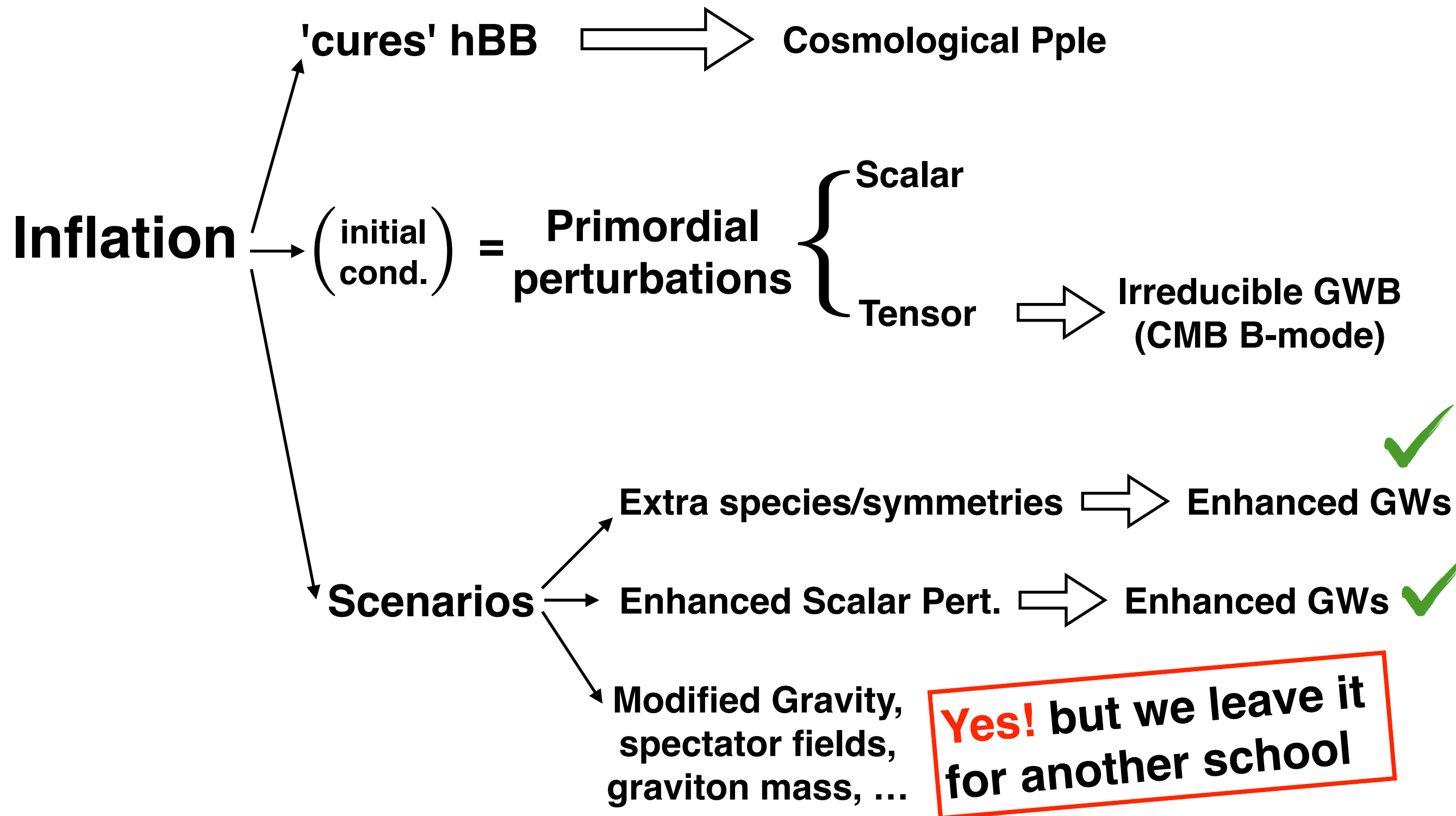
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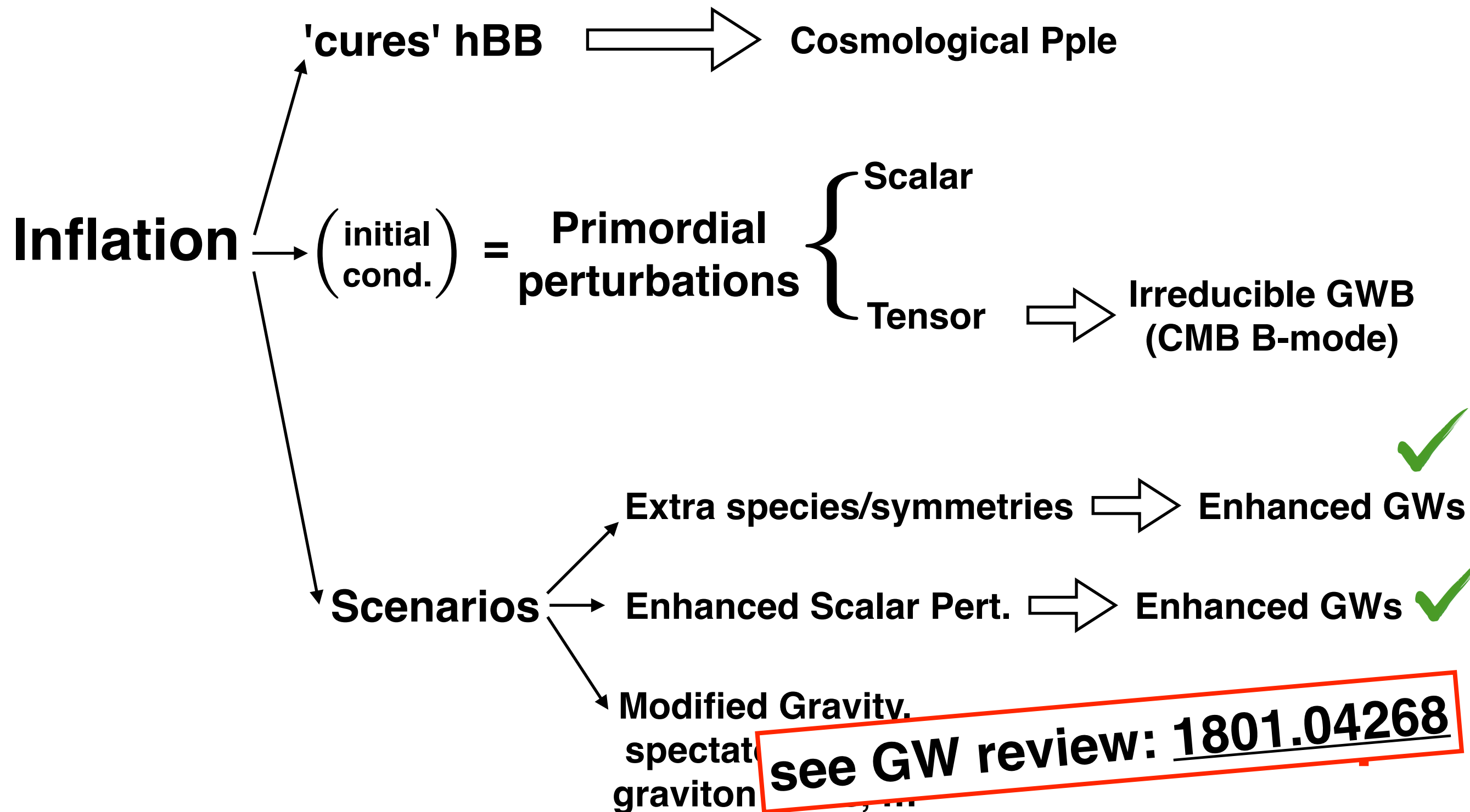
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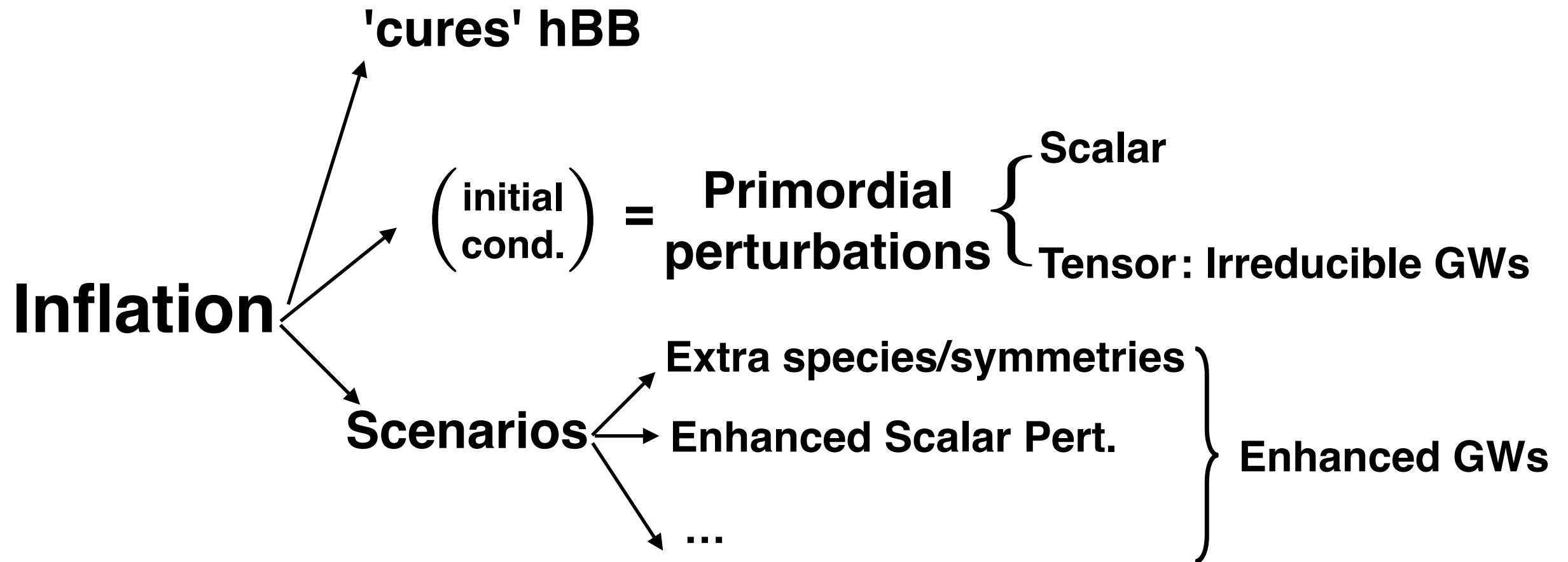
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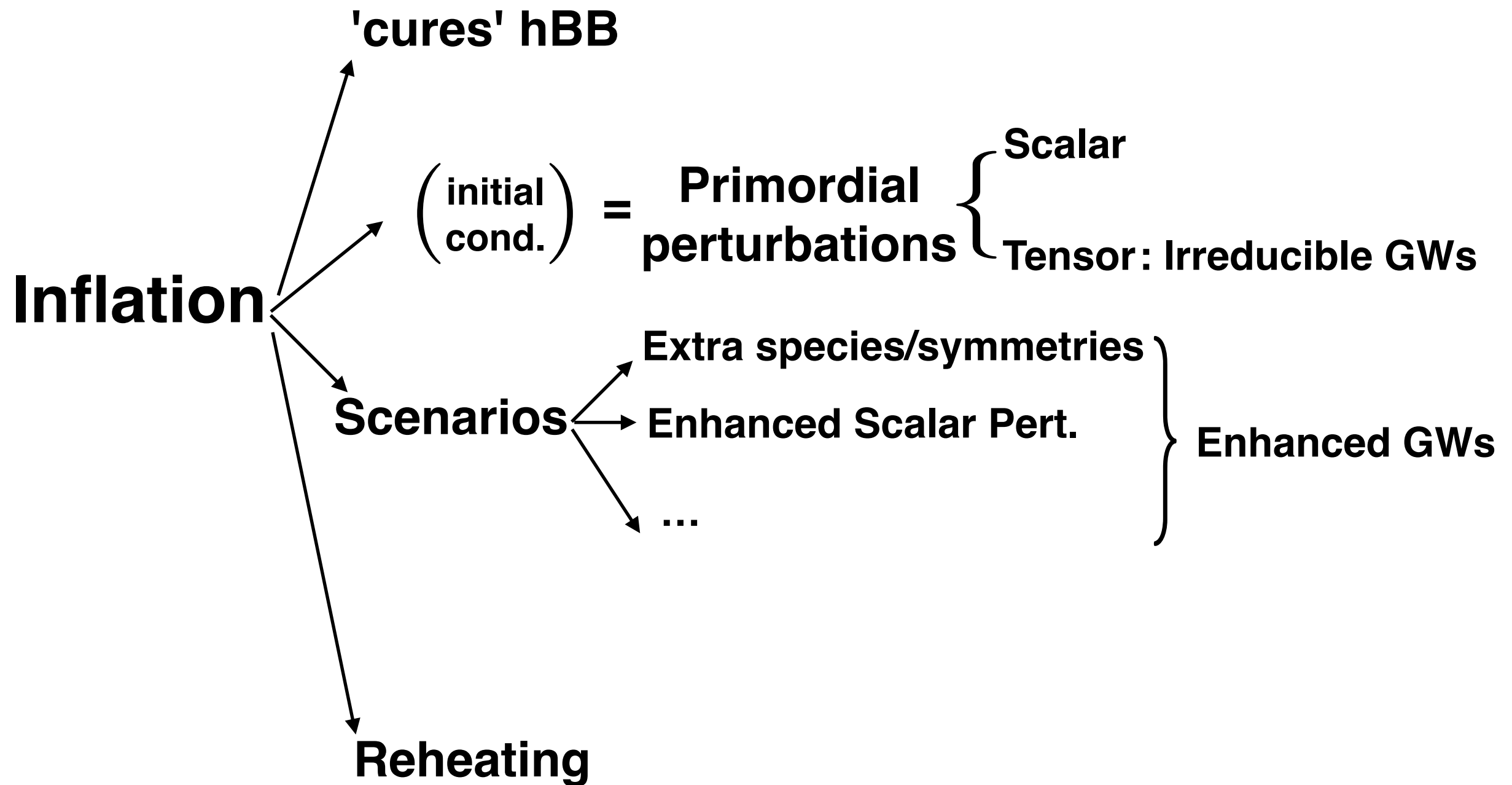
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