# Gravitational wave energy budget in strongly supercooled phase transitions

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- Experimental prospects
- Introduction to first order phase transitions
- Energy stored in the bubble walls
- Bubble wall and plasma sourced GWs
- Other observable consequences
  - Primordial Magnetic Fields
  - Primordial Black Holes
- Conclusions

#### Power-law integrated sensitivity



Thrane, Romano '13

## Experimental outlook



### phase transition dynamics

Bubble: static field configuration passing the barrier (excited through thermal fluctuations)

• decay rate

$$\Gamma(T) \approx T^4 \exp\left(-\frac{S_3(T)}{T}\right),$$

•  $\mathcal{O}(3)$  symmetric action

$$S_3(T) = 4\pi \int dr r^2 \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{d\phi}{dr} \right)^2 + V(\phi, T) \right].$$

• EOM  $\rightarrow$  bubble profile

$$\frac{d^2\phi}{dr^2} + \frac{2}{r}\frac{d\phi}{dr} - \frac{\partial V(\phi,T)}{\partial\phi} = 0,$$

$$\phi(r \to \infty) = 0$$
 and  $\phi(r = 0) = 0$ .

• nucleation temperature

$$N(T_n) = \int_{t_c}^{t_n} dt \frac{\Gamma(t)}{H(t)^3} = \int_{T_n}^{T_c} \frac{dT}{T} \frac{\Gamma(T)}{H(T)^4} = 1$$
Linde '81 '83









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 $\bullet\,$  Next-To-Leading order plasma contribution  $_{\rm Bodeker~'17}$ 

$$p = \Delta V - \Delta P_{\rm LO} - \gamma \Delta P_{\rm NLO} \approx \Delta V - \frac{\Delta m^2 T^2}{24} - \gamma g^2 \Delta m_V T^3 .$$

•  $\gamma$  factor at which the bubble stops accelerating and the value it would reach if we neglected  $\Delta P_{\rm NLO}$ 

$$\gamma_{\rm eq} \equiv rac{\Delta V - \Delta P_{\rm LO}}{\Delta P_{\rm NLO}} , \qquad \gamma_* \equiv rac{2}{3} rac{R_*}{R_0} ,$$

• Finally the efficiency factors read

$$\begin{split} \kappa_{\rm col} &= \frac{E_{\rm wall}}{E_V} = \begin{cases} \frac{\gamma_{\rm eq}}{\gamma_*} \left[ 1 - \frac{\Delta P_{\rm LO}}{\Delta V} \left( \frac{\gamma_{\rm eq}}{\gamma_*} \right)^2 \right], & \gamma_* > \gamma_{\rm eq} \\ 1 - \frac{\Delta P_{\rm LO}}{\Delta V}, & \gamma_* \le \gamma_{\rm eq}, \end{cases} \\ \kappa_{\rm sw} &= \frac{\alpha_{\rm eff}}{\alpha} \frac{\alpha_{\rm eff}}{0.73 + 0.083 \sqrt{\alpha_{\rm eff}} + \alpha_{\rm eff}} & , \quad \text{with} \quad \alpha_{\rm eff} = \alpha (1 - \kappa_{\rm col}). \end{split}$$

#### Gravitational waves from a PT

• Strength of the transition

$$\left. \boldsymbol{\alpha} \approx \left. \frac{\Delta V}{\rho_R} \right|_{T=T_*}, \quad \Delta V = V_f - V_t$$

• Characteristic scale

$$HR_* = (8\pi)^{\frac{1}{3}} \left(\frac{\beta}{H}\right)^{-\frac{1}{3}}$$

• Signals are produced by three main mechanisms:

- collisions of bubble walls:  $\Omega_{\rm col} \propto \left( \kappa_{\rm col} \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+1} \right)^2 (HR_*)^2$ Kamionkowski '93, Huber '08, Hindmarsh '18,
- sound waves: Hindmarsh '13 '15 '17, Ellis '18  $\Omega_{\rm sw} \propto \left(\kappa_{\rm sw} \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+1}\right)^2 (HR_*) (H\tau_{sw})$

turbulence 
$$\Omega_{\text{turb}} \propto \left(\kappa_{\text{sw}} \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+1}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} (HR_*) \left(1 - H\tau_{sw}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

• Sound wave period lasts  $H\tau_{sw} \equiv \min\left[1, \frac{HR_*}{U_f}\right]$ 

## Particle physics examples

• Two models with very different potential cosmological evolution

$$H = \frac{1}{3M_{\rm pl}^2} \left( \rho_R + \Delta V \right) = H_R + \frac{\Delta V}{3M_{\rm pl}^2}$$

Standard Model  $+|H|^6$  operator

$$V(\phi) \simeq m^2 \phi^2 + \lambda \phi^4 + \frac{\phi^6}{\Lambda^2}$$

$$U(1)_{B-L}$$
 extension of SM

$$V(\varphi) \simeq \frac{3g_{\rm B-L}^4\varphi^4}{4\pi^2} \left[ \log\left(\frac{\varphi^2}{v_\varphi^2}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \right] + g_{\rm B-L}^2 T^2 \varphi^2$$

$$m_{\mathrm{Z}'} = 2g_{\mathrm{B-L}}v_{\varphi}$$





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#### Plasma related GW sources

• Sound wave period last a fraction of the Hubble time

$$H\tau_{\rm sw} \equiv \min\left[1, \frac{HR_*}{U_f}\right]$$

• Root-mean-square four-velocity of the plasma

$$U_f \approx \sqrt{\frac{3}{4}} \frac{\kappa_{\rm sw} \alpha}{1+\alpha} \xrightarrow{\underline{v_w \approx 1}} \frac{\sqrt{3}\alpha}{2(1+\alpha)\sqrt{0.73+0.083\sqrt{\alpha}+\alpha}}$$



 $U(1)_{B-L}$  extension of SM





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T_*=100 \text{ GeV}, \alpha=1, HR_*=5\times10^{-2}
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• Sound wave spectrum reduction and earlier onset of turbulence



• Energy density and correlation length of produced Magnetic Field Durrer '13 Brandenburg '17 Vachaspati '19

$$\rho_{B,*} = 0.1 \kappa_{\text{col/sw}} \frac{\alpha}{1+\alpha} \rho_* \quad \lambda_* = R_*$$

• In the  $SM + H^6$  model







• In the  $U(1)_{B-L}$  model with  $m_{Z'} = 4 \text{TeV}$ 



• In a very strong transition, false vacuum region produced in the collision of two bubbles can collapse into a black hole

Hawking '82, Moss '94, Khlopov '99



- Observable bubble collision GW signal requires significant supercooling. We derived the efficiency factor quantifying this requirement precisely.
- Sound wave period generically last less than a Hubble time. This leads to a much weaker sound wave sourced GW signal and potentially a significant increase in the signal sourced by turbulence.
- PTs an also have leave other complimentary signals including production of primordial magnetic fields and primordial black holes.



• The frequency of the signal changes as  $f \propto T_{\rm reh}$ 

#### EWBG Model 2: Neutral singlet

• We add an additional singlet scalar to SM

$$V^{\text{tree}}(H,s) = -\mu_h^2 |H|^2 + \lambda_h |H|^4 + \frac{\lambda_{hs}}{2} |H|^2 s^2 + \frac{\mu_s^2}{2} s^2 + \frac{\lambda_s}{4} s^4$$

• Singlets physical mass

$$m_s^2 = \mu_s^2 + \lambda_{hs} v^2/2$$







#### EWBG Model 2.5: Neutral singlet without $\mathbf{Z}_2$



See: Ankit Beniwal, ML, Martin White and Anthony G. Williams arXiv:1810.02380