

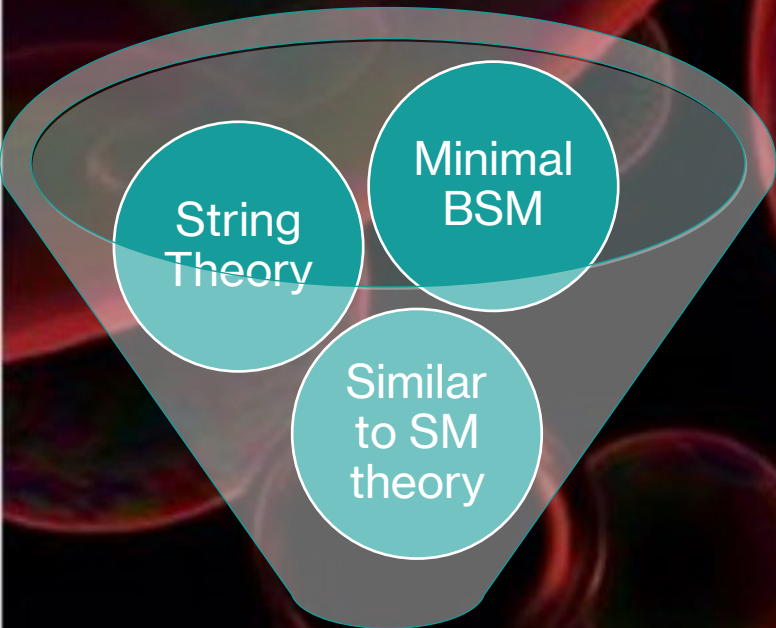
# Gravitational Waves from Dark Phase Transitions at Strong Coupling

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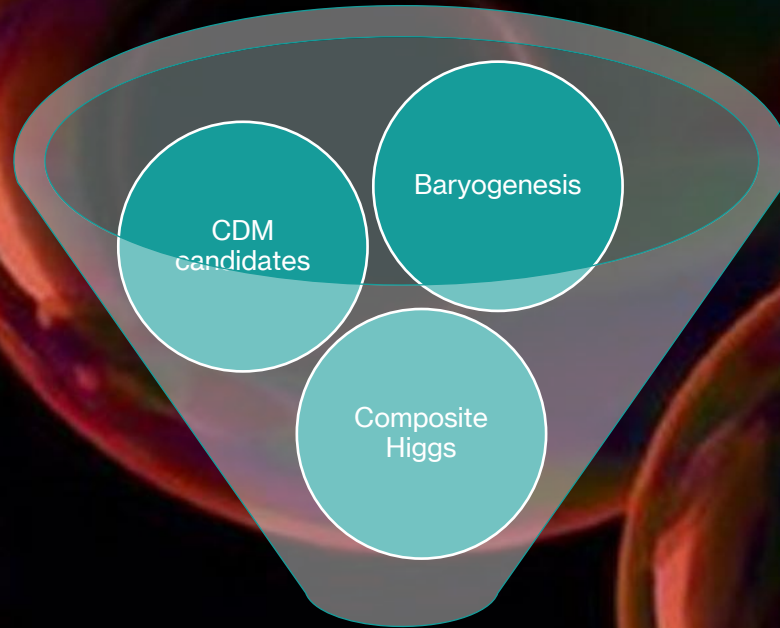
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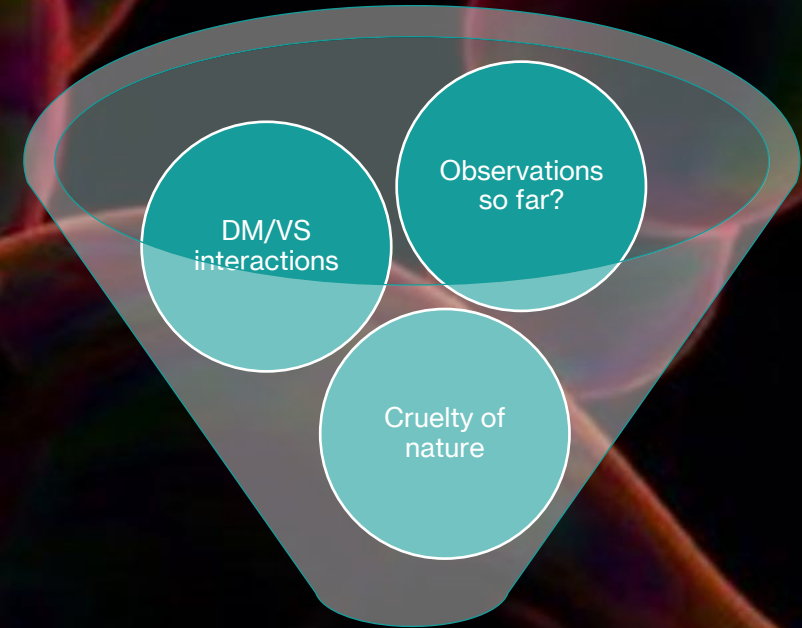
# Dark SU(N) Yang-Mills Theory



Theoretically appealing



Particle physics phenomenology

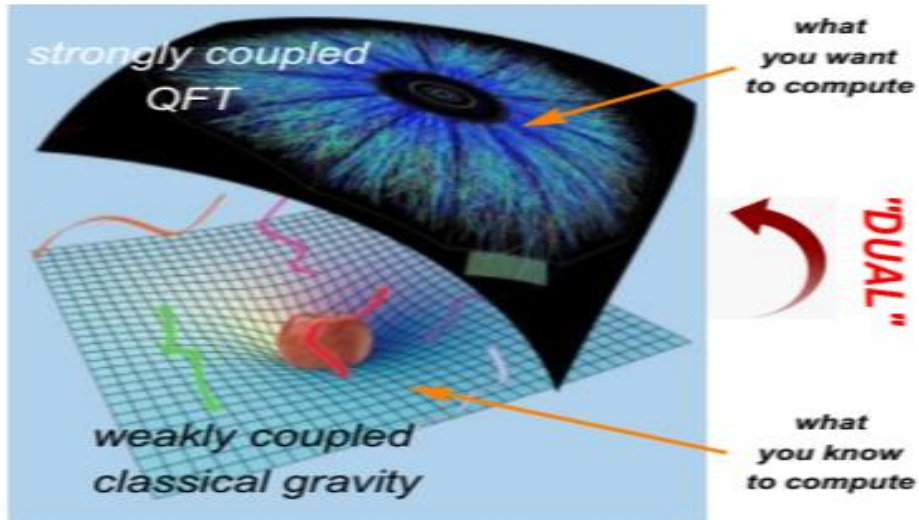


GW searches in dark sectors



# How to proceed with FOPTs at strong coupling?

We will make use of Improved Holographic QCD



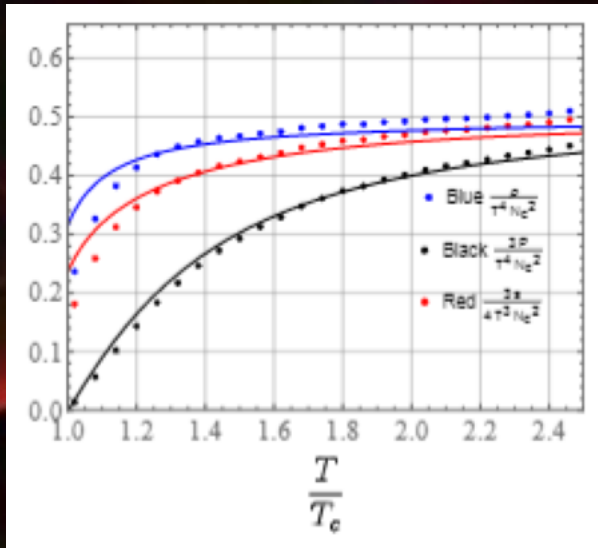
$$\mathcal{S}_5 = -M_p^3 N_c^2 \int d^5 x \sqrt{g} \left( R - \frac{4}{3} (\partial\Phi)^2 + V(\Phi) \right) + 2M_p^3 \int_{\partial\mathcal{M}} d^4 x \sqrt{h} \mathcal{K}$$

- AdS5 Einstein Dilaton Gravity
- Radial 5-D coordinate  $r$
- Scalar field  $\lambda = e^\Phi$
- Different Geometries
- 4D CFT
- RG Scale
- T'hooft coupling  $\lambda_t = N_c g_{YM}^2$
- Phases of YM theory

- Lattice QCD Data for SU(3) YM with  $n_f = 0$ .
- The AdS/CFT Correspondence for theoretical control.

Main Idea: Use the AdS/CFT correspondence to construct a 4D CFT which resembles SU(3) Yang Mills Theory.

# Thermodynamics, Effective Action, and PT Parameters



Interpolate between BBH and SBH

Violate the condition  $T_h \neq T$

1. BH not in thermal eq.
2. Conical singularity

Regularize with spherical cap

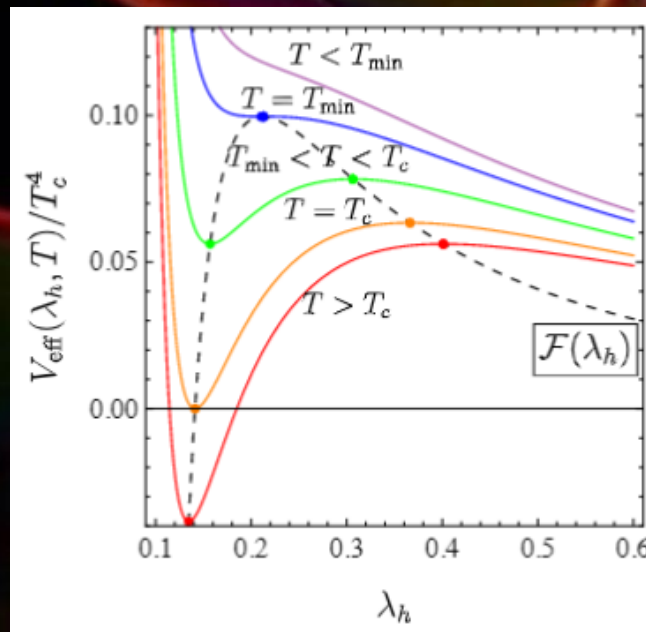
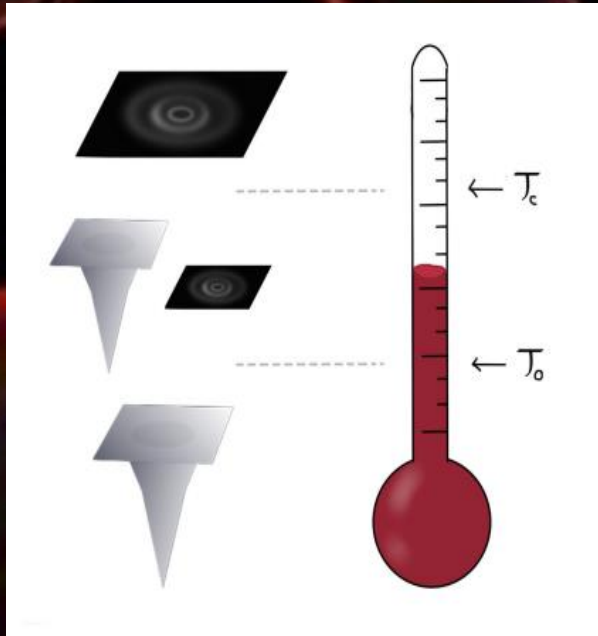
Kinetic term normalization:  $c \frac{N_c^2}{16\pi^2} (\vec{\nabla}\lambda_h)^2$

Effective action for  $O(3)$  tunneling configurations

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}_B &= \frac{4\pi}{T} \int dr r^2 \left[ c \frac{N_c^2}{16\pi^2} (\partial_r \lambda_h(r))^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + V_{\text{eff}}(\lambda_h(r), T) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Bubble Nucleation Rate

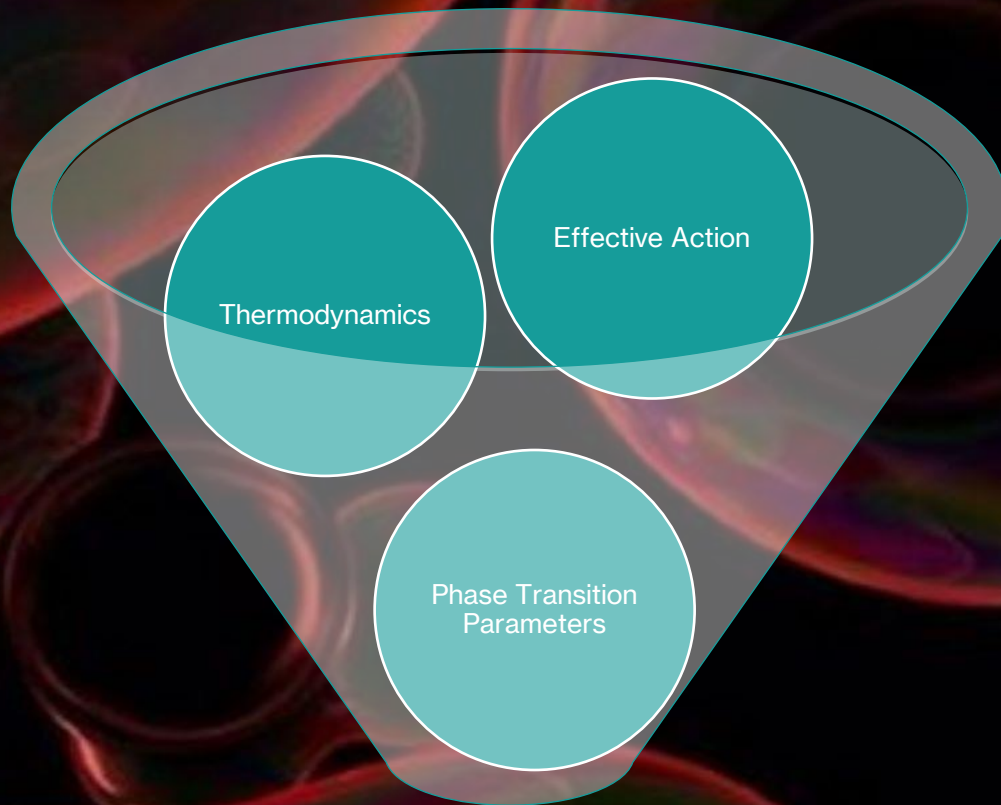
$$\Gamma = T^4 \left( \frac{\mathcal{S}_B}{2\pi} \right)^{3/2} e^{-\mathcal{S}_B}, \text{ Nucleation } \Gamma \approx H^4.$$



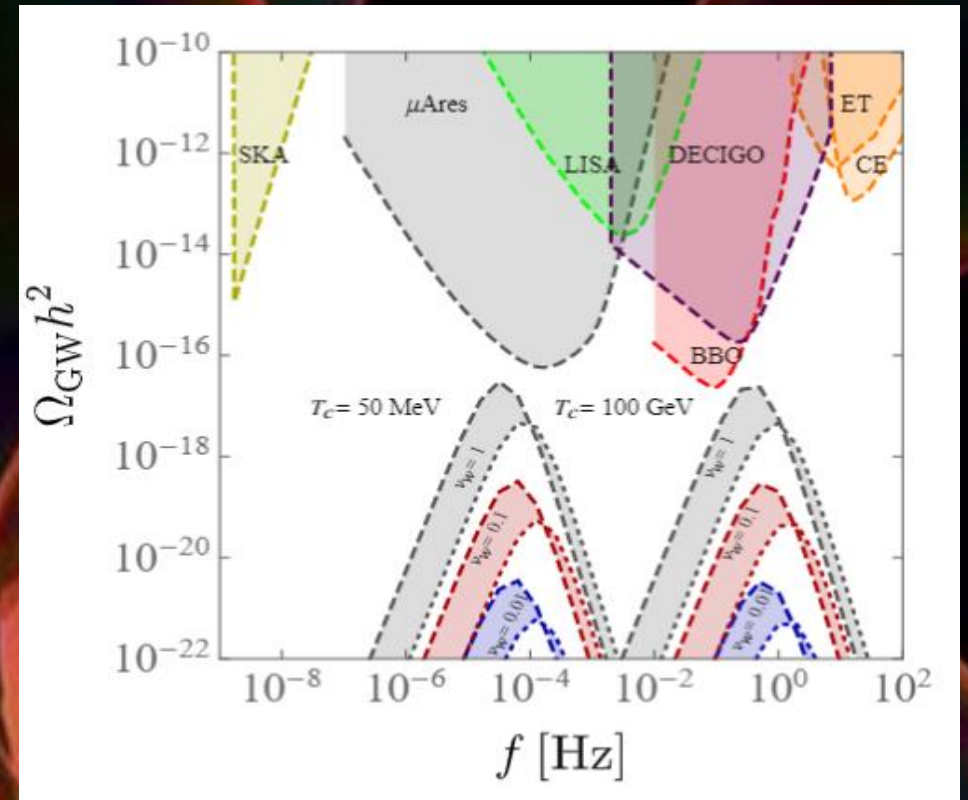
	$\alpha$	$\beta/H(v_w=1)$	$\beta/H(0.1)$	$\beta/H(0.01)$
$T_c = 50 \text{ MeV}$	0.343	$9.0 \times 10^4$	$8.6 \times 10^4$	$8.2 \times 10^4$
100 GeV	0.343	$6.8 \times 10^4$	$6.4 \times 10^4$	$6.1 \times 10^4$



# The output results of SU(3) Yang-Mills



Gravitational Waves



# Conclusions/Ongoing work/Outlook

## Conclusions

1. Dark Confining Gauge Sectors are interesting!
2. These theories "naturally" predict FOPTs
3. Gravitational waves of such theories can be quiet small

## Ongoing work

1. Bubble wall velocity estimate
2. Kinetic term computation.
3. Phenomenology of Large N SU(N)

## Outlook

1. Inclusion of an Axion.
2. Incorporate quarks.
3. GW correlation to different quark phases