

# Gravitational wave signatures from “magnetised” supermassive primordial black holes

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# Magnetic Fields in the Universe

- Magnetic fields (MFs) can play a key role in the process of **particle acceleration** through the intergalactic medium as well as on the **propagation of cosmic rays**.
- They can influence as well the **dynamical evolution of the primordial plasma** in the early Universe.
- Regarding the amplitudes of MFs, in **galactic scales** we observe a MF amplitude  $\sim 10^{-7}$  G [J. P. Vallée - 2004] while on **intergalactic scales**, there is strong evidence for a pre-galactic seed MF amplitude  $\sim 10^{-18}$  G [Dermer et al. - 2011].
- However, their **dynamical behavior, amplification** and above all, their **generation mechanism** are still not clear.

# Primordial magnetic fields from PBH disks

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# Primordial magnetic fields from PBH disks

- Primordial black holes form during the radiation-dominated era between BBN and recombination  $\Rightarrow 10^5 M_\odot < M < 10^{17} M_\odot$ .
- A disk can easily form due to the vortex-like motion of the primordial plasma between BBN and recombination [Trivedi et al. - 2018].
- In such a physical setup, a seed primordial magnetic field (PMF) *à la Biermann* [Biermann - 1950] can naturally be generated reading as

$$\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = \nabla \left( \vec{u} \times \vec{B} \right) - \frac{ck_B}{e} \frac{\nabla \rho \times \nabla T}{\rho}. \quad (1)$$

- A seed MF is generated if the energy density and temperature gradients are not parallel to each other.

# Locally Isothermal Disks

- Biermann battery induced seed MFs requires disk equation of states (EoS) where  $\nabla \rho \times \nabla T \neq 0$ . Thus, **isothermal or barotropic are ruled out**.
- Thus, a viable choice for the disk EoS without major ad hoc assumptions is the that of **locally isothermal disk** [G. D'Angelo and S. H. Lubow - 2010].

$$p(R, \phi, z) = \rho(R, \phi, z)c_s^2(R), \quad \frac{p}{\rho} = \epsilon^2 \frac{GM}{R}, \quad (2)$$

$$\text{with } \rho(R, z) = f(R) \exp \left( \frac{R - \sqrt{R^2 + z^2}}{\epsilon^2 \sqrt{R^2 + z^2}} \right). \quad (3)$$

- Eq. (2) can describe quite well a **gas that radiates energy gained by socks** [S. H. Lubow et al. - 1999], here created by the **turbulent motion of the primordial plasma** between BBN and recombination era [P. Trivedi et al. - 2018].

# The seed PMF

- Considering therefore an ideal gas EoS relating  $p$  and  $\rho$  one gets the temperature profile  $T \sim 1/R$ . At the end, Eq. (1) can be recast as

$$\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = - \frac{c\mu m_e GM}{eR^2} \frac{zR}{(R^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \hat{\phi}. \quad (4)$$

One then obtains a **toroidal seed MF** that is antisymmetric with respect to the equatorial plane.

- This **linear growth of  $\vec{B}$**  is expected to saturate when  $\nabla T$  and  $\nabla \rho$  are smoothed out as it can be seen by Eq. (1). This saturation time  $t_s$  is defined as

$$t_s = \min[t_{\text{dis}}, t_{\text{soun}}], \quad \text{where} \quad t_{\text{dis}} \equiv (T/\nabla T)/u_{\text{th,e}}, \quad t_{\text{soun}} \equiv (\rho/\nabla \rho)/c_s. \quad (5)$$

- Regarding now the dynamical time  $t_{\text{dyn}}$ , it is defined as the time needed to establish the vertical hydrostatic equilibrium, namely  $t_{\text{dyn}} \equiv H_d/c_s$ . Thus, the duration of the linear growth of  $\vec{B}$  will be

$$\Delta T = t_s - t_{\text{dyn}}. \quad (6)$$

# The magnetic field amplitude

- Accounting for the mass distribution of PBHs, one gets for the Fourier transform of the  $\vec{B}$  that

$$\mathbf{B}_k = \int_{M_{\min}}^{M_{\max}} dM \frac{dn}{dM} \int \left( \int \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') d^3\mathbf{x}' \right) e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}} d^3\mathbf{x}. \quad (7)$$

- To estimate the MF intensity, one should derive the MF power spectrum defined as  $P_B \equiv \langle B_k B_k^* \rangle / V_k$ , with  $V_k = 4\pi(2\pi/k)^3/3$ . At the end, one obtains that

$$\langle B \rangle_s = \sqrt{\frac{k^3 P_B(k, t_s)}{2\pi^2}}. \quad (8)$$

- At this point, we need to stress that we introduce a coherent/correlation scale  $r_\xi$  which is roughly equal to the PBH mean separation scale, i.e

$$r_\xi \sim \bar{r}_{\text{PBH}} = \left( \frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{\rho_{\text{PBH}}} \right)^{1/3} = \left( \frac{4\gamma\pi\rho_{\text{tot,f}}H_f^{-3}/3}{\Omega_{\text{PBH}}(t)\rho_{\text{tot}}(t)} \right)^{1/3} \simeq 10\text{kpc} \left( \frac{M}{10^{10}M_\odot} \right)^{1/2} \left( \frac{10^{-4}}{\Omega_{\text{PBH,f}}} \right)^{1/3} \left( \frac{1\text{meV}}{T} \right) \propto a.$$

- This correlation length can be viewed as a UV cutoff scale, below which the magnetic field will interfere,

$$k \leq k_{\text{UV}} \sim 1/\bar{r}_{\text{PBH}} = 10^{19} \Omega_{\text{PBH,f}}^{1/3} \frac{M_\odot}{M} \left( \frac{a_f}{a} \right) \text{Mpc}^{-1}.$$



# The magnetic field amplitude

- Assuming monochromatic PBH mass functions and accounting for the effect of cosmic expansion, i.e.  $B \sim a^{-2}$ , one gets

$$\langle |\mathbf{B}_k| \rangle(z) \simeq 10^{-86} q \Omega_{\text{PBH},f} \ell_R^2 \left( \frac{M}{M_\odot} \right)^2 \left( \frac{k}{1 \text{Mpc}^{-1}} \right)^3 (1+z)^2 \quad (\text{G}), \quad (9)$$

$$\text{with } q = \frac{H_d}{R_{\text{ISCO}}} \leq 1, \quad \text{and} \quad \ell_R = \frac{R_d}{R_{\text{ISCO}}}.$$

- For  $z = 30$ ,  $k = 100 \text{Mpc}^{-1} \Rightarrow r = 10 \text{kpc}$  and accounting for the fact that  $q \leq 1$  and  $\Omega_{\text{PBH},f} < 10^{-9} \sqrt{M/M_\odot}$  (for  $\Omega_{\text{PBH},eq} \leq 1$ ) one gets

$$B(k = 100 \text{Mpc}^{-1}, z = 30) \leq 10^{-30} \text{G} \left( \frac{\ell_R}{10^6} \right)^2 \left( \frac{M}{10^{14} M_\odot} \right)^{5/2}. \quad (10)$$

- For  $\ell_R \leq 10^{11}$  [J. C. McKinney et al. - MNRAS (2012)] depending on the accretion rate and  $M \geq 10^{10} M_\odot$  one gets a seed MF  $\sim 10^{-32} - 10^{-28} \text{G}$  which is the minimum seed MF amplitude so as to generate a MF  $\sim 10^{-18} \text{G}$  on intergalactic scales due to turbulent/galactic dynamo and instability processes [T. Vachaspati - 2021].

# **Magnetically induced gravitational waves (MIGWs) from supermassive PBHs**

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# The magnetic anisotropic stress

- Regarding the stress-energy tensor associated to a magnetic field  $\vec{B}$ , this can be recast as:

$$T_{ij}^{(B)} \equiv \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{B^2 g_{ij}}{2} - B_i B_j \right]. \quad (11)$$

- From (10) one can define an associated anisotropic stress reading as

$$\Pi_{ij} \equiv \left( P_i^l P_j^m - \frac{P_{ij} P^{lm}}{2} \right) T_{lm}, \quad (12)$$

where  $P_{ij}$  is a projection operator defined as  $P_{ij} \equiv \delta_{ij} - \hat{\mathbf{k}}_i \hat{\mathbf{k}}_j$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{k}} = \mathbf{k}/k$ .

- At the end, defining  $\Pi_B(k, \eta)$  as  $\langle \Pi_{ij}(\mathbf{k}, \eta) \Pi_{ij}(\mathbf{q}, \eta) \rangle \equiv \Pi_B(k, \eta) \delta(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q})$ ,  $\Pi_B(k, \eta)$  can be related with the magnetic field power spectrum as

$$\Pi_B(k, \eta) = \int d^3 \mathbf{q} P_B(q, \eta) P_B(|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{k}|, \eta) (1 + \gamma^2) (1 + \beta^2), \quad \beta = \hat{k} \cdot \hat{p}, \quad \gamma = \hat{k} \cdot \widehat{k - p}. \quad (13)$$

# GWs from magnetised PBHs

- Having derived before  $\Pi_B(k, \eta)$ , one can extract the respective equation of motion for the tensor perturbations reading as [Caprini & Durrer - 2006]

$$h_{\mathbf{k}}^{s, ''} + 2\mathcal{H}h_{\mathbf{k}}^{s, ' } + k^2h_{\mathbf{k}}^s = \frac{8\pi G}{a^2}\sqrt{\Pi_B(k, \eta)}. \quad (14)$$

- Solving the above mentioned equation, we can extract the tensor power spectrum and the GW signal which will read as follows:

$$\mathcal{P}_h(\eta, k) \equiv \frac{k^3 |h_{\mathbf{k}}|^2}{2\pi^2}, \quad \Omega_{\text{GW}}(\eta, k) = \frac{1}{24} \left[ \frac{k}{aH} \right]^2 \overline{\mathcal{P}}_h(\eta, k). \quad (15)$$

- At the end, at leading order in  $k/k_{\text{UV}} \ll 1$  one gets that

$$\Omega_{\text{GW}}(k, \eta_0) \simeq 6 \times 10^{-85} \left( \frac{k}{\text{Mpc}^{-1}} \right) \left( \frac{10^{10} M_{\odot}}{M} \right)^4 q^4 \ell_R^8 \Omega_{\text{PBH},f}^7 \leq 1.5 \times 10^{-13} \quad (16)$$

since  $\ell_R < 10^{11}$ ,  $q < 1$ ,  $M > 10^{10} M_{\odot}$  and  $\Omega_{\text{PBH},f} < 10^{-4} \left( \frac{M}{10^{10} M_{\odot}} \right)^{1/2}$ .

# GWs from magnetised PBHs

- One should account for **galactic** and **turbulent** dynamo **MF amplification** mechanisms present during LSS formation  $\Rightarrow$  MHD simulations.
- Avoiding MHD simulations, we adopt an effective power-law toy-model for the MF amplification which reads as

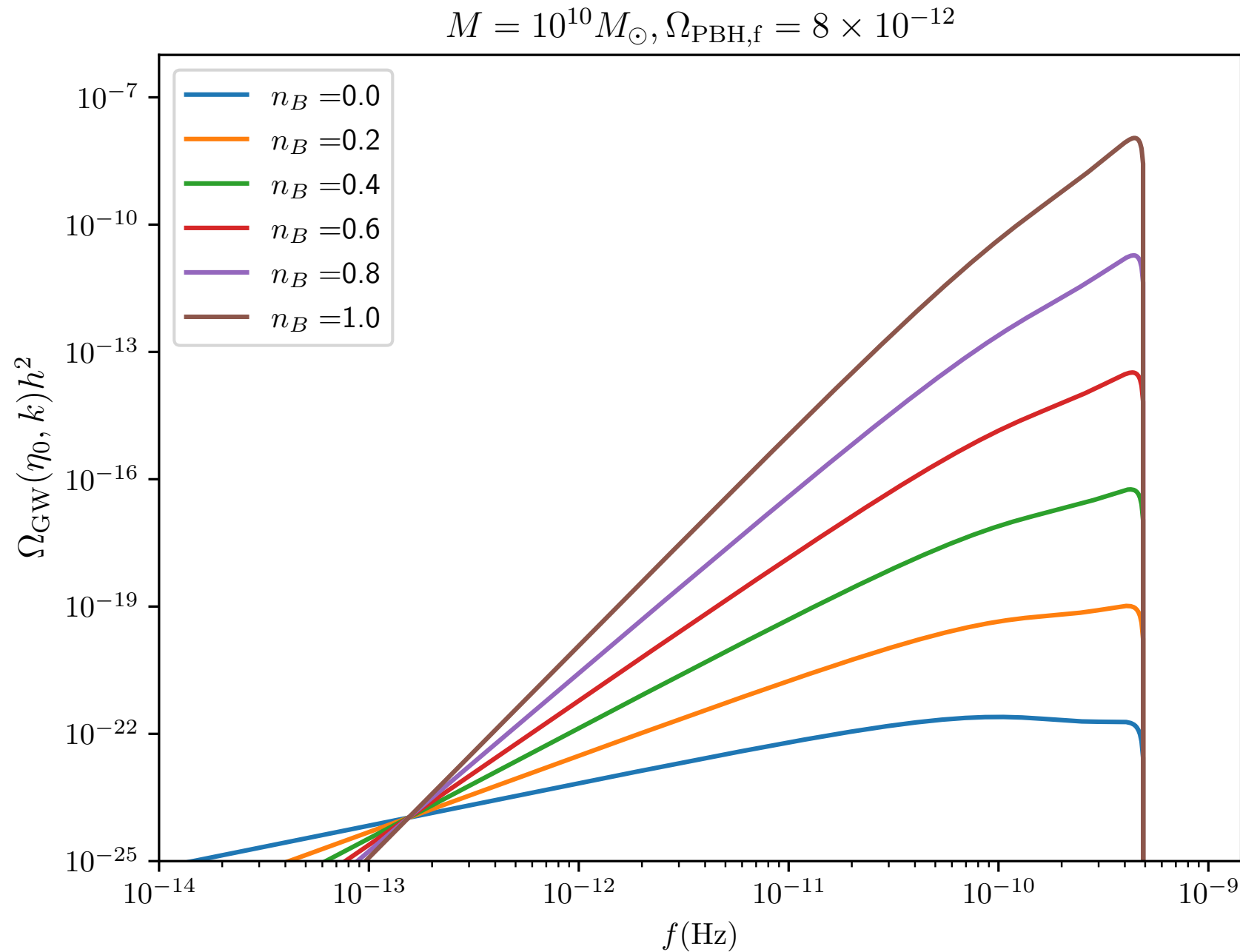
$$\alpha(k) \equiv \frac{B^{\text{ampl.}}(k)}{B^{\text{non-ampl.}}(k)} = \alpha(k_*) \left( \frac{k}{k_*} \right)^{n_B}, \quad \text{with } k_* = 100 \text{Mpc}^{-1}, \quad n_B \geq 0 \quad \text{and}$$

$$\alpha(k_* = 100 \text{Mpc}^{-1}) = \frac{10^{-18}}{10^{-30} q \left( \frac{\ell_R}{10^6} \right)^2 \left( \frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{10^{14} M_\odot} \right)^{5/2}}. \quad (17)$$

- Since  $P_B(k) \propto B_k^2$  and  $\Omega_{\text{GW}} \propto \iint P_B^2$  one gets that  $\Omega_{\text{GW}}^{\text{ampl.}} \propto \alpha^4(k) \Omega_{\text{GW}}^{\text{non-ampl.}}$ . At the end one gets that

$$\Omega_{\text{GW}}(k, \eta_0) \simeq 6 \times 10^{51-8n_B} \left( \frac{k}{\text{Mpc}^{-1}} \right)^{4n_B+1} \left( \frac{10^{10} M_\odot}{M} \right)^{14} \Omega_{\text{PBH,f}}^7. \quad (18)$$

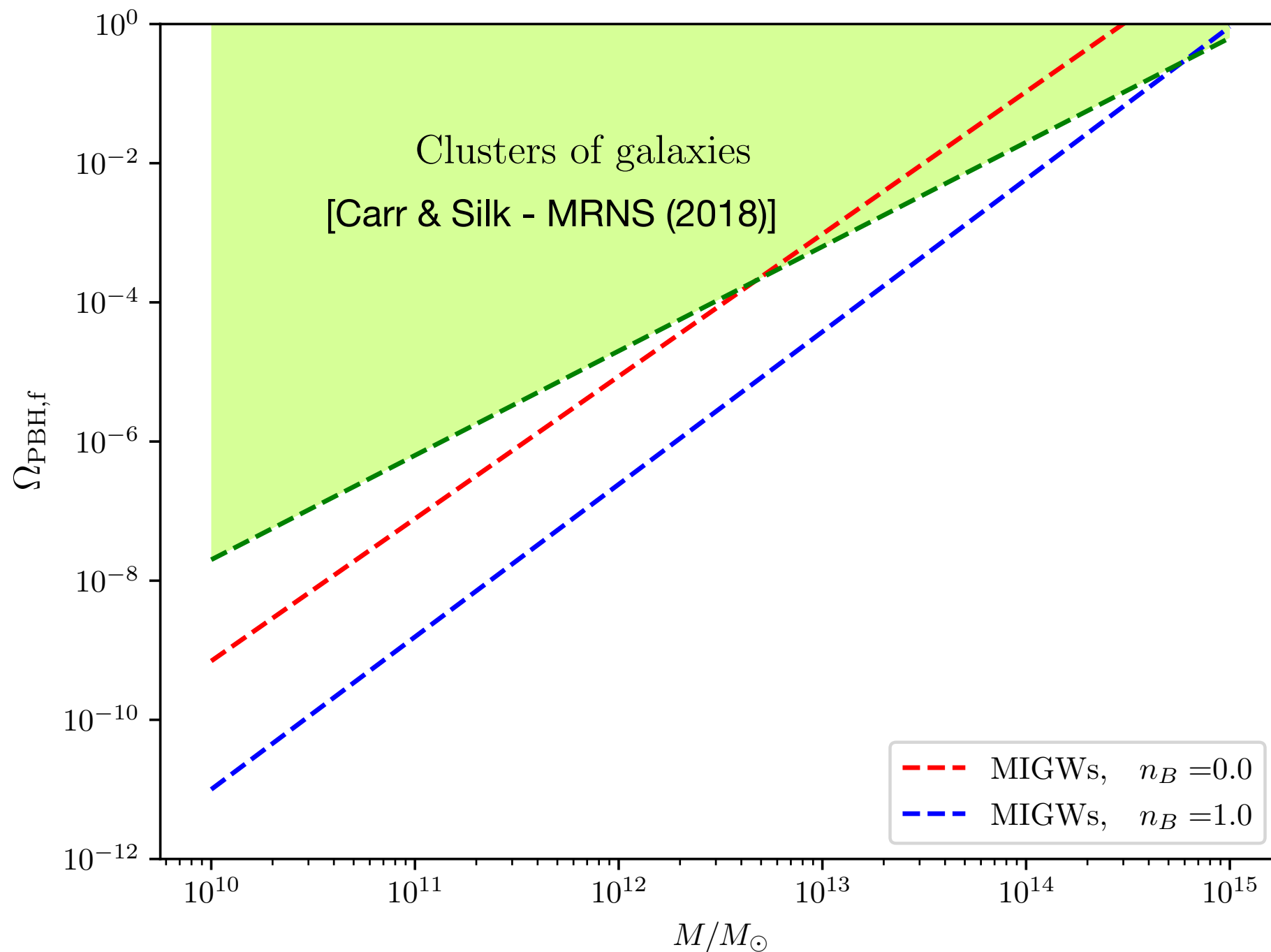
# GWs from magnetised PBHs



$$f = \frac{k}{2\pi} < \frac{k_{UV}}{2\pi} = 10^5 \frac{M_{\odot}}{M} \Omega_{\text{PBH},f}^{1/3} = 5 \times 10^{-11} \left( \frac{10^{10} M_{\odot}}{M} \right)^{5/6} \leq 5 \times 10^{-7} (\text{Hz})$$

# Constraints on $\Omega_{\text{PBH},f}$

$$\Delta N_{\text{eff}} < 0.3 \quad [\text{Planck 2015}] \Rightarrow \Omega_{\text{GW}}(\eta_0) < 10^{-6} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \Omega_{\text{PBH},f} \leq 10^{-\frac{3(67+28n_B)}{22+4n_B}} \left( \frac{M}{10^{10} M_{\odot}} \right)^{\frac{3(15+4n_B)}{22+4n_B}}$$



# Conclusions

- **Primordial magnetic fields can naturally arise** à la Biermann **from accretion disks around supermassive PBHs** with masses  $M > 10^{10} M_{\odot}$ .
- A population of magnetised PBHs can induce a **stochastic GW background at low frequencies**  $f_{\text{GW}} < 5 \times 10^{-7} \text{Hz}$  and with  $\Omega_{\text{GW}} < 1.5 \times 10^{-13}$ .
- Accounting for the galactic/turbulent dynamo MF amplification mechanisms through an effective model, we set **conservative constraints on  $\Omega_{\text{PBH,f}}$  being tighter compared to that coming from LSS probes.**
- One needs to perform **MHD simulations** in order to have an **accurate answer** regarding the **MF amplification** and the effect on the **GW signal**.
- **The formalism developed here for the derivation of the MIGWs is quite generic** and can be applied to any population of "magnetised" PBHs, e.g. **PBHs with magnetic charge** [Maldacena - 2021] or **Kerr-Newmann PBHs** [Hooper et al. - 2023, See Krnjaic's Talk], promoting thus the portal of MIGWs to a **new GW counterpart associated to PBHs, potentially detectable by future GW detectors.**



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