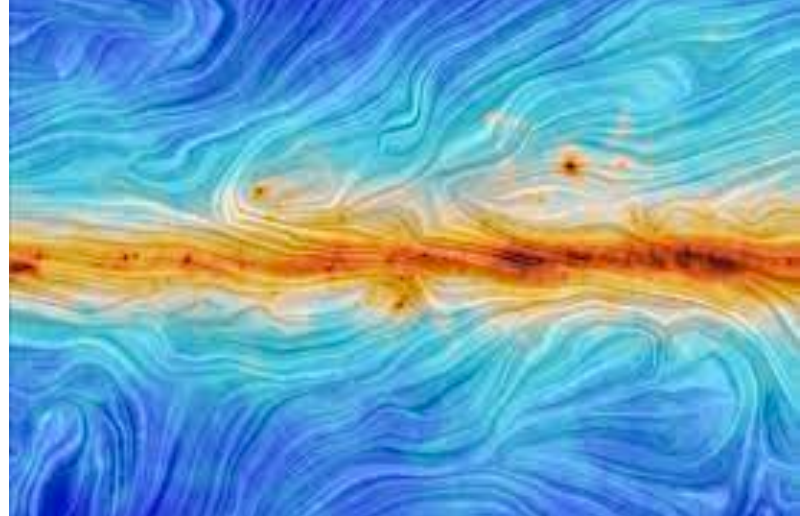




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# Chiral Magnetic Fields in the Early Universe: Evolution and Signatures

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# outline

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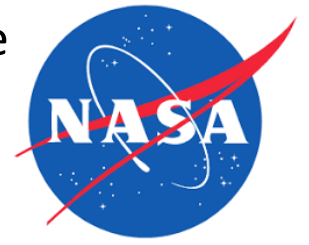
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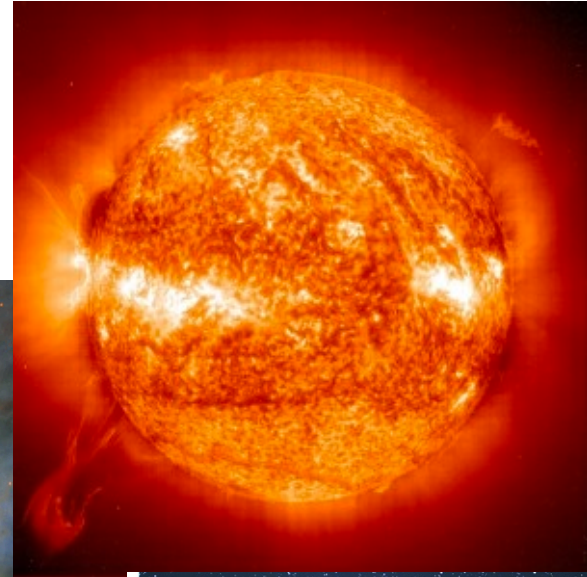


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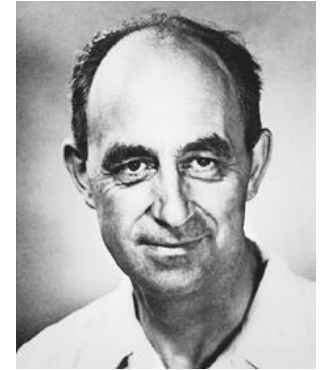
# Observational Overview

# cosmic magnetism



# why primordial magnetic fields?

- cosmic *seed* magnetic fields
  - astrophysical seeds
  - cosmological seeds
- observations
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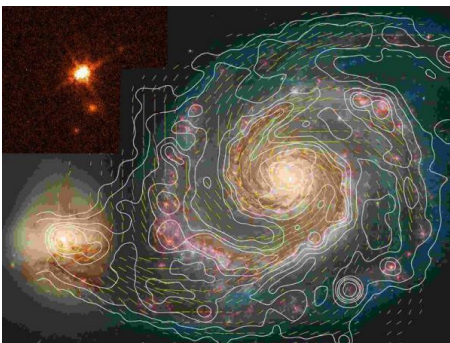
## On the Origin of the Cosmic Radiation

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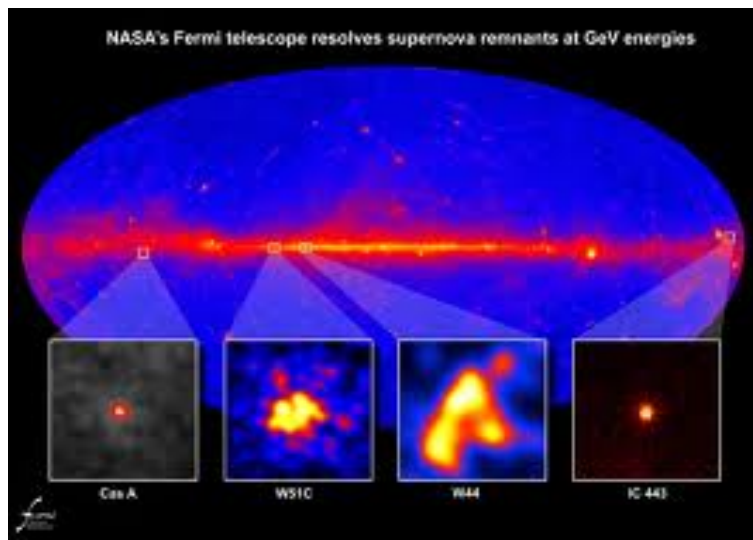
A theory of the origin of cosmic radiation is proposed according to which cosmic rays are originated and accelerated primarily in the interstellar space of the galaxy by collisions against moving magnetic fields. One of the features of the theory is that it yields naturally an inverse power law for the spectral distribution of the cosmic rays. The chief difficulty is that it fails to explain in a straightforward way the heavy nuclei observed in the primary radiation.



**E. Fermi**

***“On the origin of the cosmic radiation”***,  
**PRD, 75, 1169 (1949)**

# observations: Fermi data



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## Extragalactic magnetic fields constraints from simultaneous GeV–TeV observations of blazars

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### ABSTRACT

**Context.** Attenuation of the TeV  $\gamma$ -ray flux from distant blazars through pair production with extragalactic background light leads to the development of electromagnetic cascades and subsequent, lower energy, GeV secondary  $\gamma$ -ray emission. Due to the deflection of VHE cascade electrons by extragalactic magnetic fields (EGMF), the spectral shape of this arriving cascade  $\gamma$ -ray emission is dependent on the strength of the EGMF. Thus, the spectral shape of the GeV–TeV emission from blazars has the potential to probe the EGMF strength along the line of sight to the object. Constraints on the EGMF previously derived from the gamma-ray data suffer from an uncertainty related to the non-simultaneity of GeV and TeV band observations.

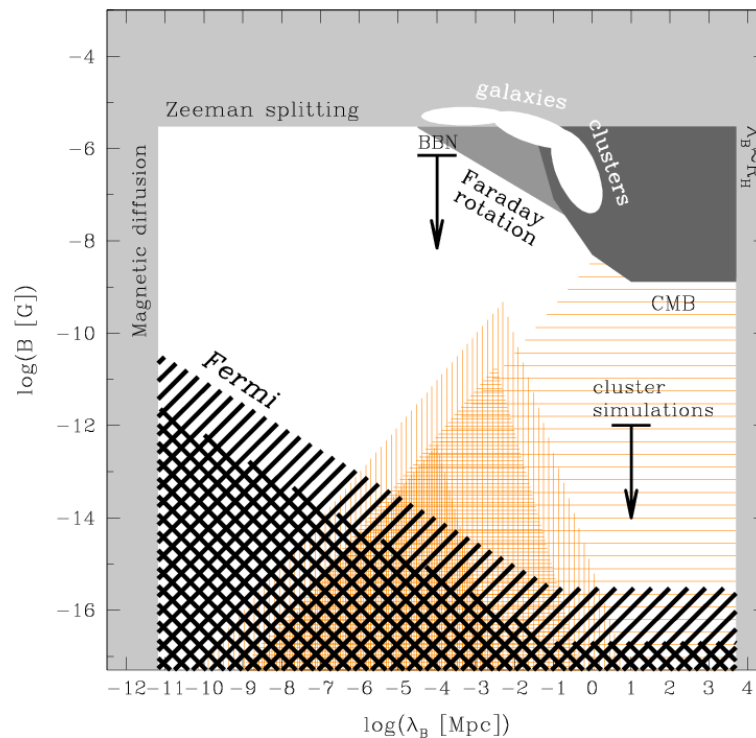
**Aims.** We investigate constraints on the EGMF derived from observations of blazars for which TeV observations simultaneous with those by *Fermi* telescope were reported. We study the dependence of the EGMF bound on the hidden assumptions it rests upon.

**Methods.** We select blazar objects for which simultaneous Fermi/LAT GeV and Veritas, MAGIC or HESS TeV emission have been published. We model the development of electromagnetic cascades along the gamma-ray beams from these sources using Monte Carlo simulations, including the calculation of the temporal delay incurred by cascade photons, relative to the light propagation time of direct  $\gamma$ -rays from the source.

**Results.** Constraints on the EGMF could be derived from the simultaneous GeV–TeV data on the blazars RGB J0710+501, 1ES 0229+200, and 1ES 1218+304. The measured source flux level in the GeV band is lower than the flux of the expected cascade component calculated under the assumption of zero EGMF. Assuming that the reason for the suppression of the cascade component is the extended nature of the cascade emission, we find that  $B \geq 10^{-15}$  G (assuming an EGMF correlation length of  $\geq 1$  Mpc) is consistent with the data. Alternatively, the assumption that the suppression of the cascade emission is caused by the time delay of the cascade photons the data are consistent with  $B \geq 10^{-17}$  G for the same correlation length.

**Key words.** astroparticle physics – magnetic fields – radiative transfer

## Neronov and Vovk 2010



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## TIME DELAY OF CASCADE RADIATION FOR TeV BLAZARS AND THE MEASUREMENT OF THE INTERGALACTIC MAGNETIC FIELD

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### ABSTRACT

Recent claims that the strength  $B_{\text{IGMF}}$  of the intergalactic magnetic field (IGMF) is  $\geq 10^{-15}$  G are based on upper limits to the expected cascade flux in the GeV band produced by blazar TeV photons absorbed by the extragalactic background light. This limit depends on an assumption that the mean blazar TeV flux remains constant on timescales  $\geq 2(B_{\text{IGMF}}/10^{-18}\text{G})^2/(E/10\text{GeV})^2$  yr for an IGMF coherence length  $\approx 1$  Mpc, where  $E$  is the measured photon energy. Restricting TeV activity of 1ES 0229+200 to  $\approx 3$ –4 years during which the source has been observed leads to a more robust lower limit of  $B_{\text{IGMF}} \gtrsim 10^{-18}$  G, which can be larger by an order of magnitude if the intrinsic source flux above  $\approx 5$ –10 TeV from 1ES 0229+200 is strong.

# primordial or astrophysical origin?

## LOWER LIMIT ON THE STRENGTH AND FILLING FACTOR OF EXTRAGALACTIC MAGNETIC FIELDS

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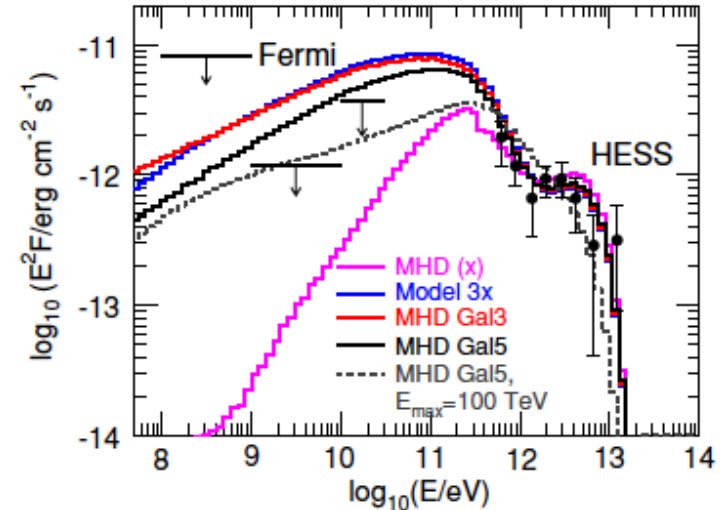
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### ABSTRACT

High-energy photons from blazars can initiate electromagnetic pair cascades interacting with the extragalactic photon background. The charged component of such cascades is deflected and delayed by extragalactic magnetic fields (EGMFs), thereby reducing the observed point-like flux and potentially leading to multi-degree images in the GeV energy range. We calculate the fluence of 1ES 0229+200 as seen by *Fermi*-LAT for different EGMF profiles using a Monte Carlo simulation for the cascade development. The non-observation of 1ES 0229+200 by *Fermi*-LAT suggests that the EGMF fills at least 60% of space with fields stronger than  $\mathcal{O}(10^{-16}$  to  $10^{-15}$ ) G for lifetimes of TeV activity of  $\mathcal{O}(10^2$  to  $10^4)$  yr. Thus, the (non-)observation of GeV extensions around TeV blazars probes the EGMF in voids and puts strong constraints on the origin of EGMFs: either EGMFs were generated in a space filling manner (e.g., primordially) or EGMFs produced locally (e.g., by galaxies) have to be efficiently transported to fill a significant volume fraction as, e.g., by galactic outflows.



### 4. SUMMARY

We have calculated the fluence of 1ES 0229+200 as seen by *Fermi*-LAT using a Monte Carlo simulation for the cascade development. We have discussed the effect of different EGMF profiles on the resulting suppression of the point-like flux seen by *Fermi*-LAT. Since the electron cooling length is much smaller than the mean free path of the TeV photons, a sufficient suppression of the point-like flux requires that the EGMF fills a large fraction along the line of sight toward 1ES 0229+200,  $f \gtrsim 0.6$ . The lower limit on the magnetic field strength in this volume is  $B \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-15})$  G, assuming 1ES 0229+200 is stable at least for  $10^4$  yr, weakening by a factor of 10 for  $\tau = 10^2$  yr. These limits put very stringent constraints on the origin of EGMFs. Either the seeds for EGMFs have to be produced by a volume filling process (e.g., primordial) or very efficient transport processes have to be present which redistribute magnetic fields that were generated locally (e.g., in galaxies) into filaments and voids with a significant volume filling factor.

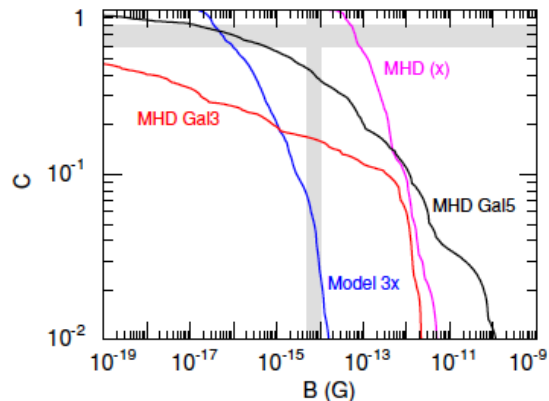


Figure 4. Cumulative volume filling factor  $C(B)$  for the four different EGMF models found in MHD simulations.

(A color version of this figure is available in the online journal.)



# improved data

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*“Search for Magnetically Broadened Cascade Emission From Blazars with VERITAS,”* *Astrophys. J.* 835 , 288 (2017).

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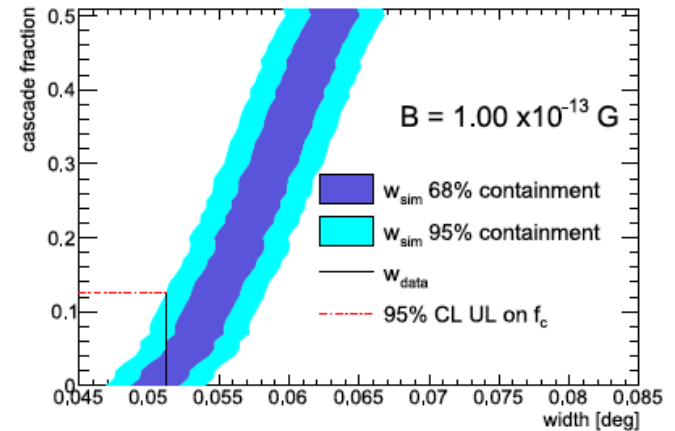


Figure 3. The dependence of the width of the simulated angular distribution on the cascade fraction  $f_c$  for 1ES 1218+304. This is compared against the width of the angular distribution measured in data,  $w_{\text{data}}$ .

For the cutoff energy of 10 TeV assumed for the intrinsic spectrum of 1ES 1218+ 308, the first pair production interaction occurs larger 10 Mpc from the source. Consequently, this study probes the magnetic field strength in areas distant from the source, sampling cosmic voids, rather than matter-rich regions.

# known vs. unknown

## What we know

- The amplitude of the magnetic field
- The spectral shape of the magnetic field
- The correlation length scale

## What we do not know

- When and how magnetic fields were generated
- What were initial conditions

**Two Options:  
Cosmological and Astrophysical Scenarios**

# MHD cosmological simulations

by *Donnert et al. 2008*

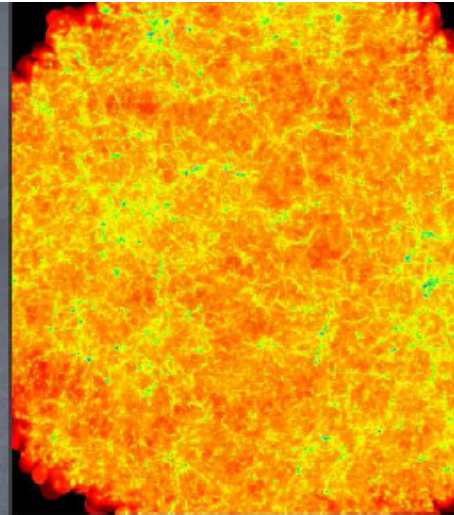
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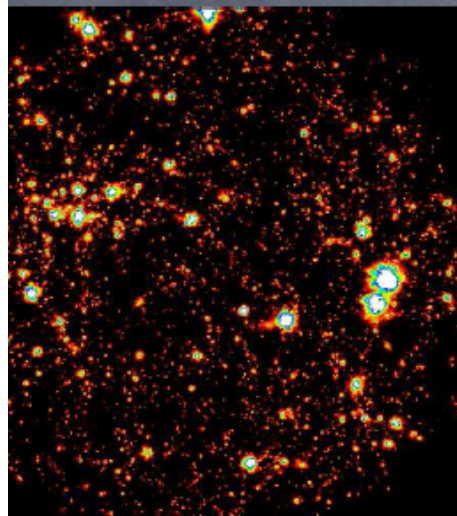


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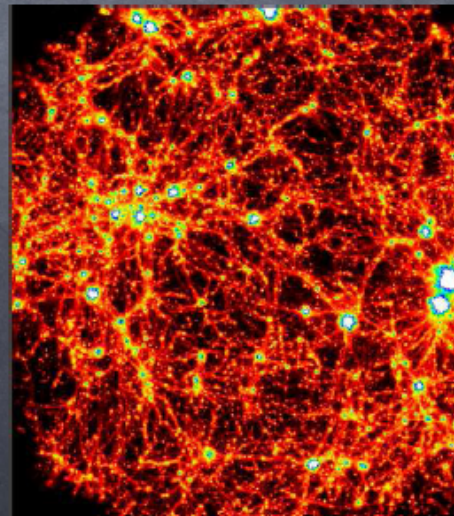
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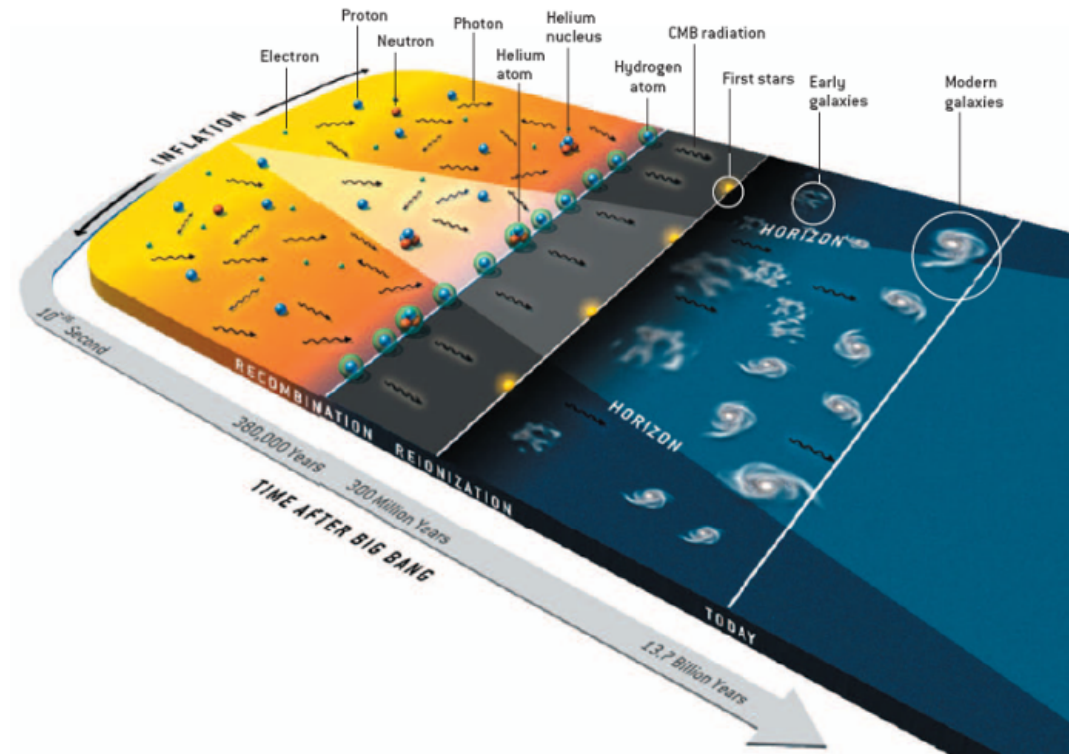


# Cosmological Magnetogenesis

# primordial magnetogenesis



F. Hoyle in Proc. *“La structure et l’evolution de l’Universe”* (1958)



- ◆ inflation
- ◆ phase transitions
- ◆ supersymmetry
- ◆ string cosmology
- ◆ topological defects

# primordial magnetogenesis

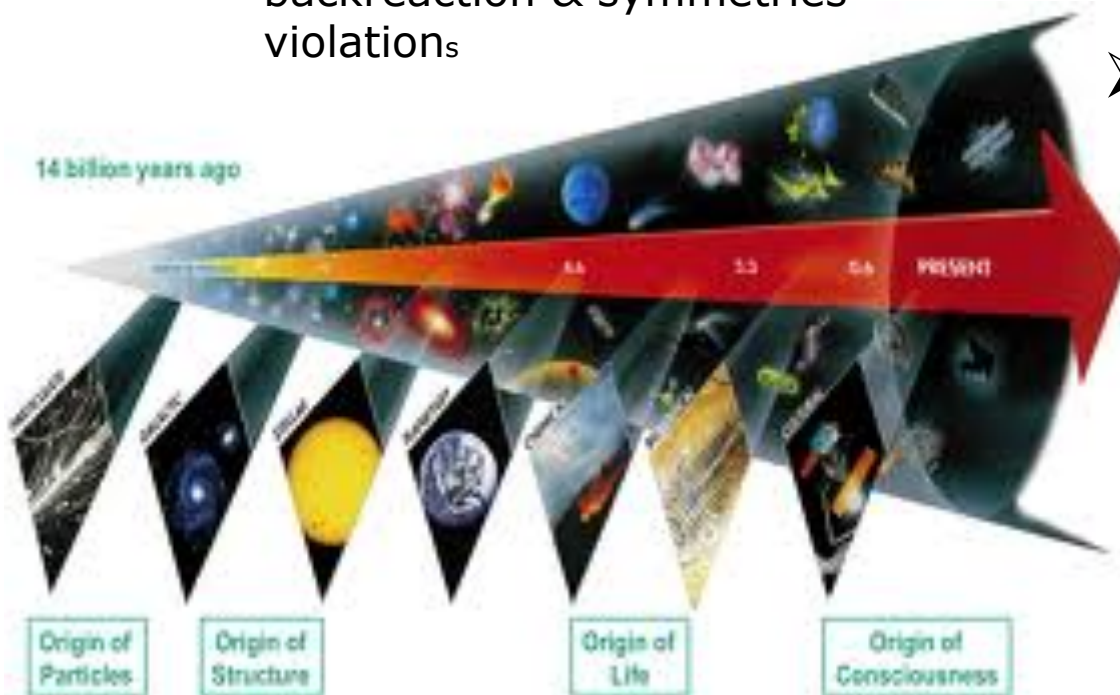
## ➤ Inflation

- the correlation length larger than horizon
- scale invariant spectrum
- well agree with the lower bounds
- difficulties:
  - backreaction & symmetries violations

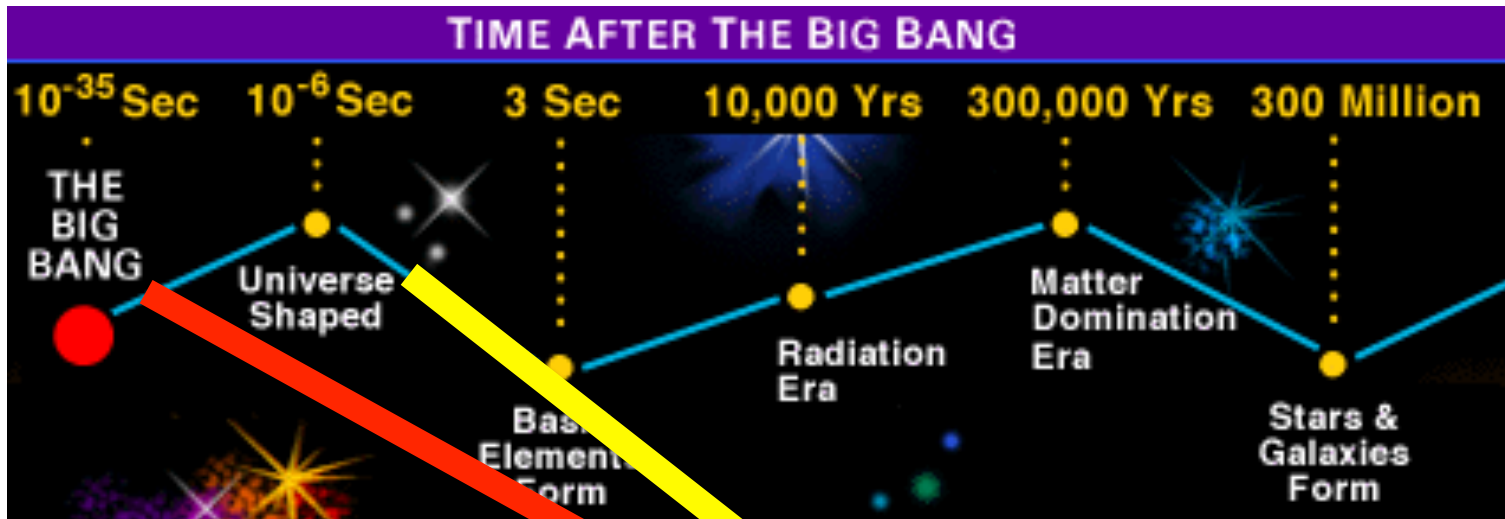
## ➤ Phase transitions

- bubble collisions – first order phase transitions QCDPT or EWPT
- causal fields
- limited correlation length

## ➤ chiral magnetic effect



# testing the early universe

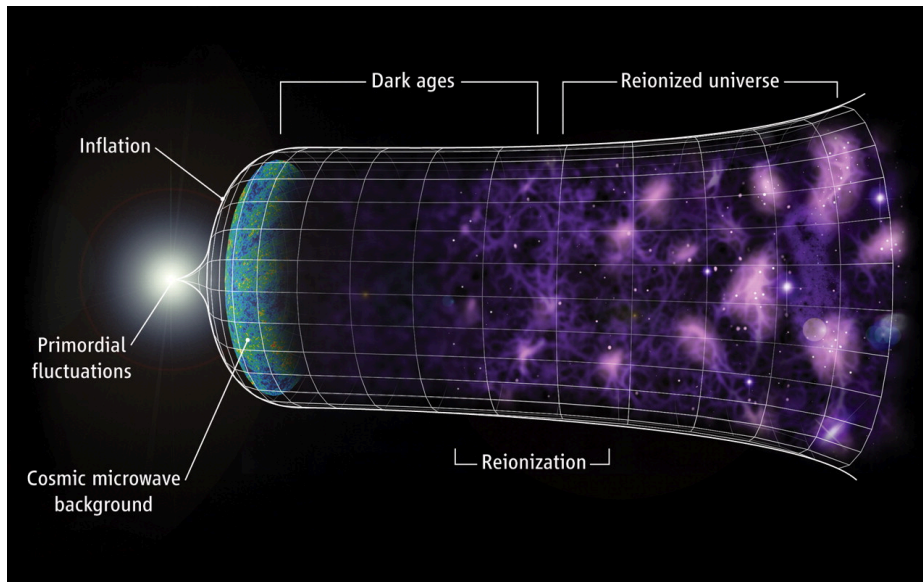


magnetic field origin  
red-inflation  
yellow- phase transitions



# primordial MHD turbulence

- primordial plasma is perfect conductor
- interaction between primordial magnetic fields and fluid (plasma)
- development of turbulence



*Penders, Jones, Porter, 2019*

other sources of primordial turbulence?

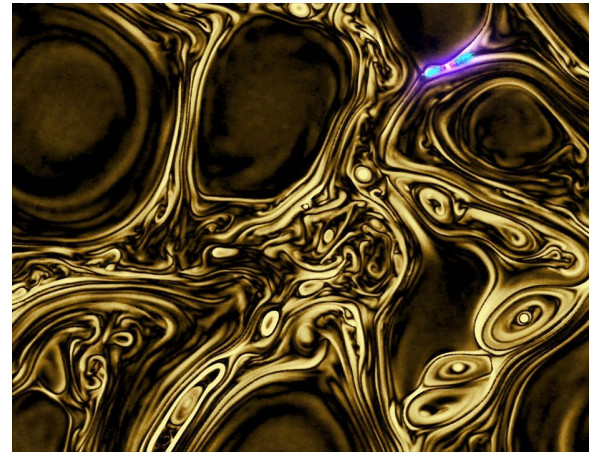


# primordial velocity field

- Cosmological Phase Transitions

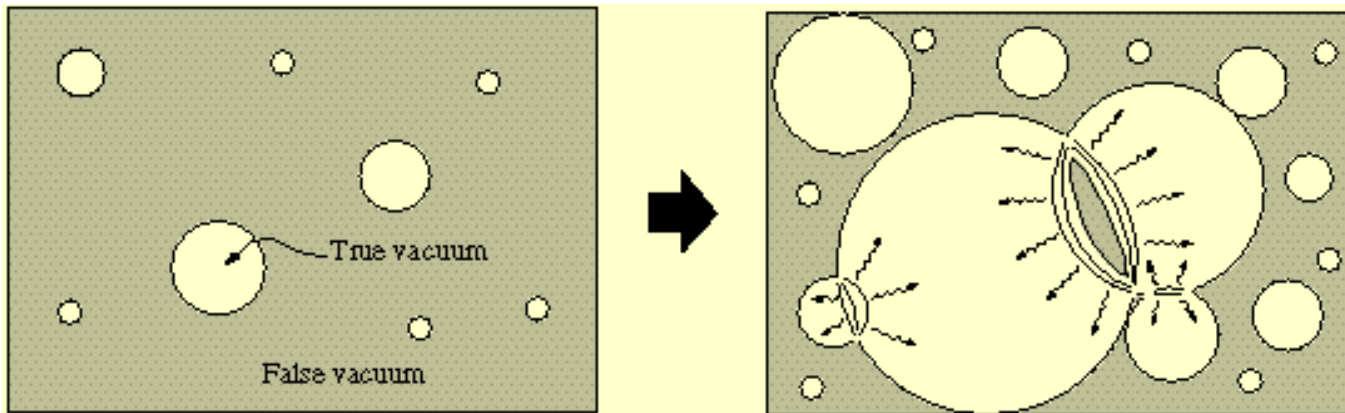


Bubbles collisions and nucleation



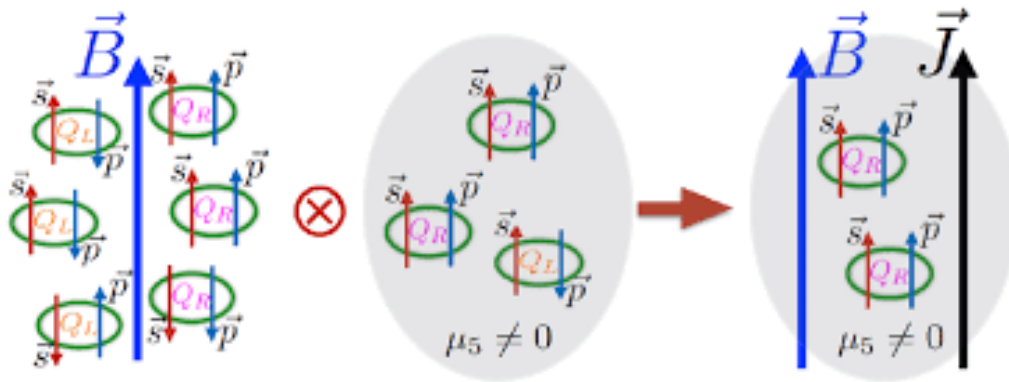
*Baym et al. 1995*

*Quashnock, et al. 1989*



# chiral magnetic effect

- ✓ Asymmetry between right- and left-handed fermions – amplification (exponential growth) of helical magnetic fields, chiral magnetic effect (CME), Vilenkin 1980

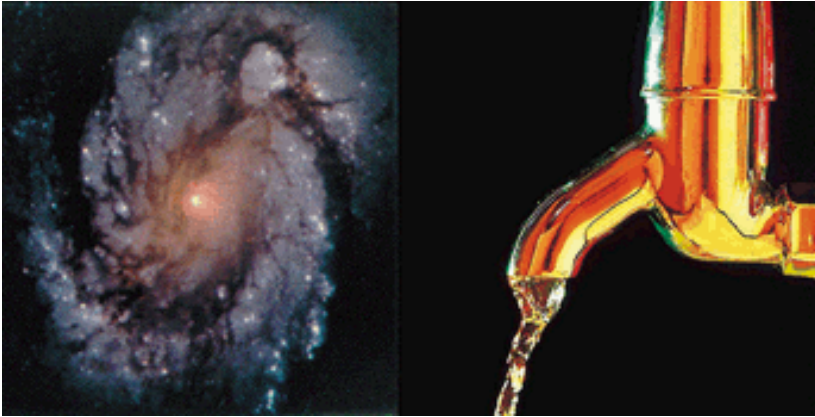


Kharzeev, Liao, Voloshin, Wang, 2015

- ✓ Magnetogenesis in the early universe – seed helical magnetic fields, *Boyarsky et al. 2012*
- ✓ Turbulent chiral magnetic inverse cascade in the early universe – *Brandenburg et al. 2017*

# Primordial MHD Evolution

# describing primordial turbulence



$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot [\rho \mathbf{v}] = 0$$

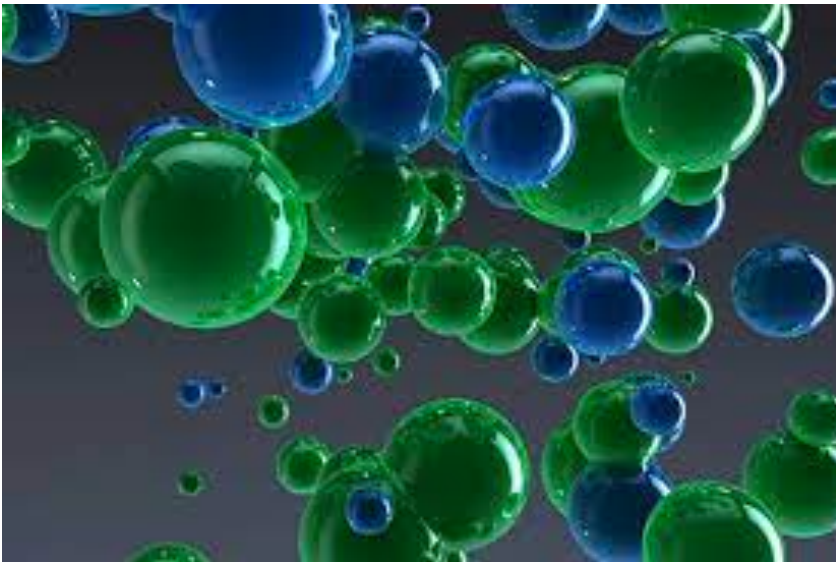
$$\frac{\partial(\rho \mathbf{v})}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot [\rho \mathbf{v} \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{B} \mathbf{B} + P^*] = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot [(E + P^*) \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{B} (\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{v})] = 0$$

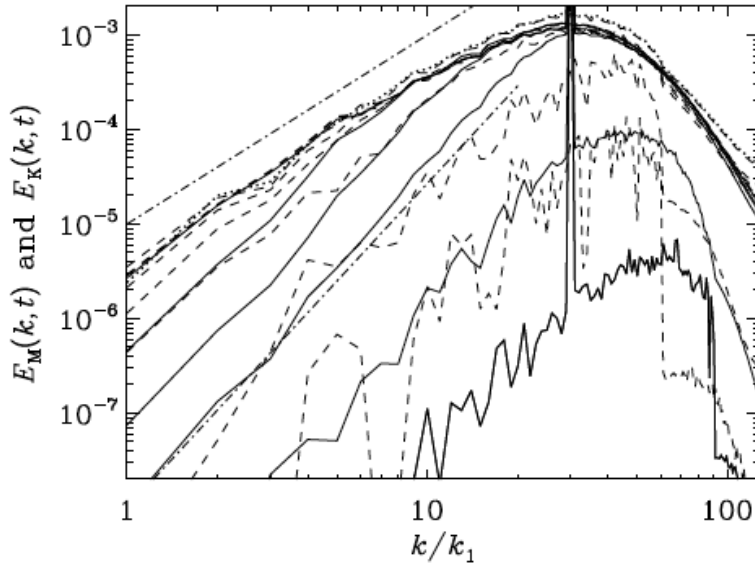
$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} - \nabla \times (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}) = 0$$

$$P^* = P + \frac{\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{B}}{2}$$

$$E = P/(\gamma - 1) + \frac{\rho(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v})}{2} + \frac{\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{B}}{2}$$



# turbulence development



$$\frac{D\rho}{Dt} = -\rho \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u},$$

$$\rho \frac{D\mathbf{u}}{Dt} = (\nabla \times \mathbf{b}) \times \mathbf{b} - c_s^2 \nabla \rho + \nabla \cdot (2\rho \nu \mathbf{S}),$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} = \mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{b} + \eta \nabla^2 \mathbf{A},$$

where  $D/Dt = \partial/\partial t + \mathbf{u} \cdot \nabla$  is the advective derivative,  $t$  is the conformal time,  $\rho$  is the density,  $\mathbf{u}$  is the bulk velocity,  $S_{ij} = \frac{1}{2}(u_{i,j} + u_{j,i}) - \frac{1}{3}\delta_{ij} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}$  is the rate-of-strain tensor,  $\nu$  is the viscosity, and  $\eta$  is the magnetic diffusivity.

*Kahniashvili et al. 2010*

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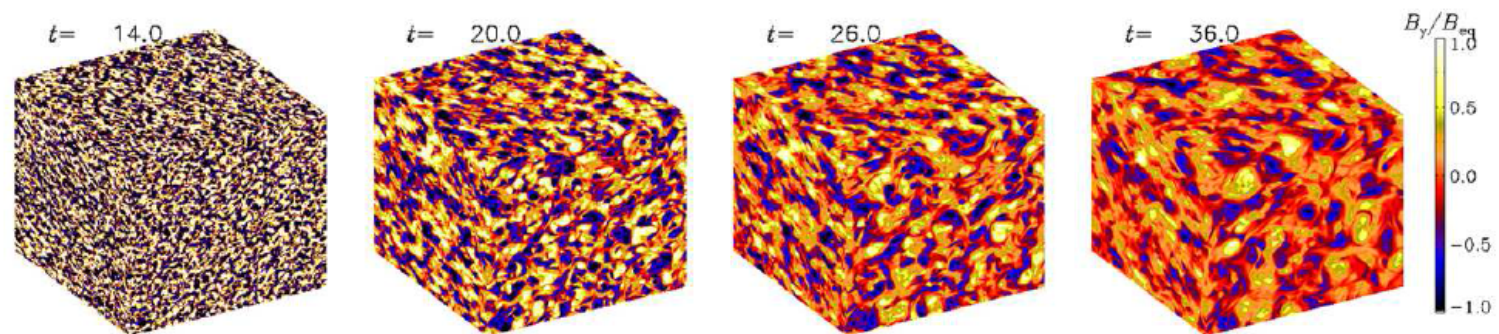


FIG. 2: Evolution of the turbulent magnetic field after turning off the forcing at time  $t = 14 t_1$ . The  $B_y$  component is shown on the periphery of the computational domain.

# our universe is almost perfect conductor

**magnetically dominant**

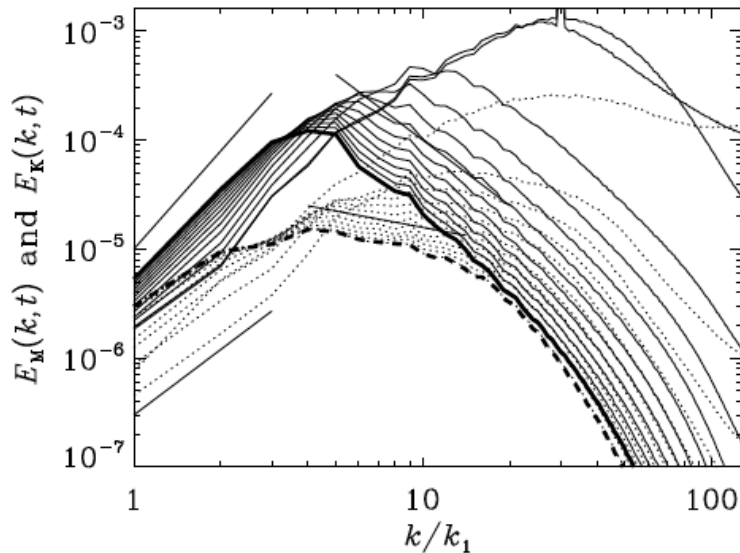


FIG. 5: Magnetic (solid) and kinetic (dashed) energy spectra in 12 regular time intervals of  $4t_1$  after having turned off the forcing, with (smoothed) spectra at  $k = 50k_1$  decreasing as  $t$  increases.  $\nu = \eta = 10^{-4}$  in units of  $(k_1^2 t_1)^{-1}$ . The straight lines have slopes 3, 2, -2, and  $-1/2$ , with the first two near  $k = k_1$  and the last two near  $k = 10k_1$ . Thickest lines (solid and dashed) indicate the last time, which is  $44t_1$  since turning off the forcing. The intermediate thickness solid line, the highest or almost highest line for  $k/k_1 > 10$ , is the initial magnetic spectrum for this computation.

**kinetically dominant**

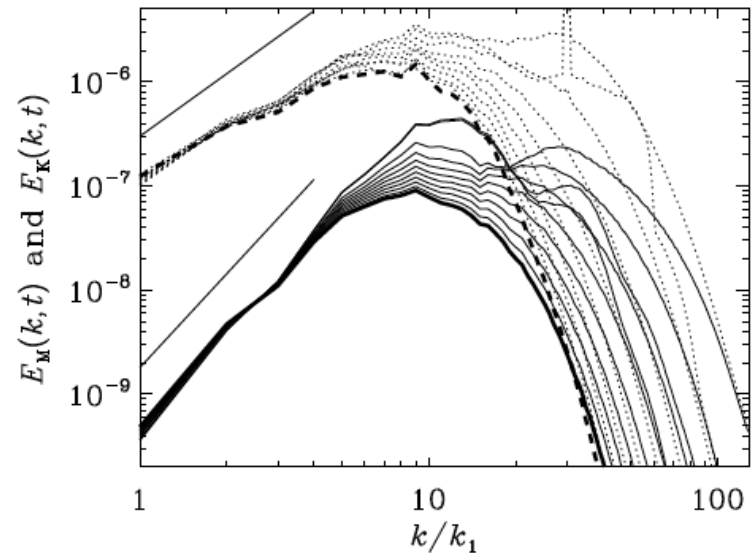
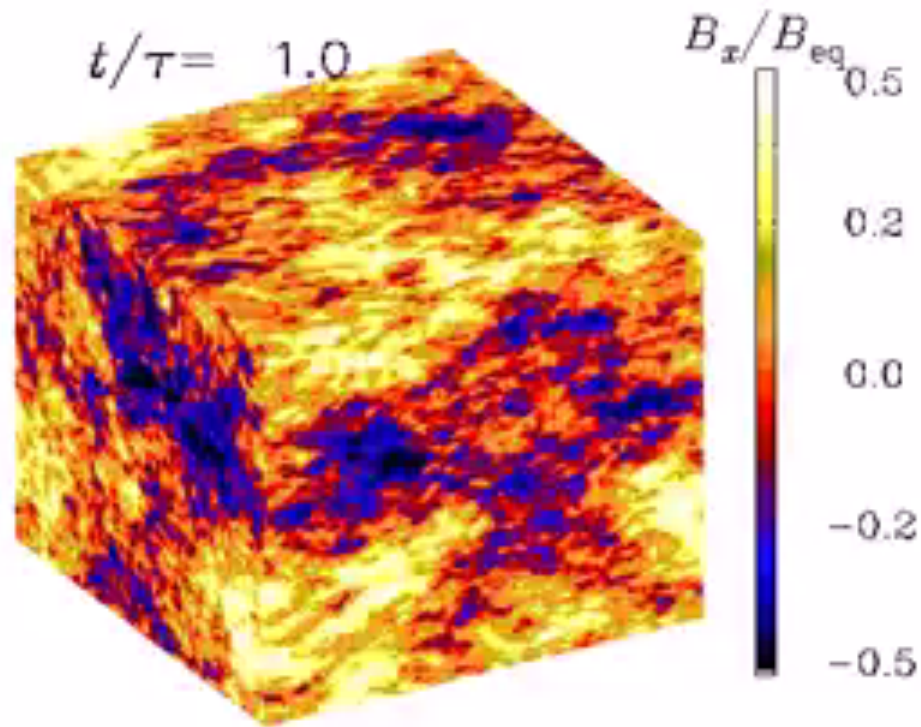


FIG. 6: Same as Fig. 5, but for a case where the initial magnetic field had a  $k^4$  spectrum close to equipartition with the velocity field, and then the forcing was turned off. Results are shown for nine times at intervals of  $6t_1$ .  $\nu = \eta = 10^{-4}$  in units of  $(k_1^2 t_1)^{-1}$ . The straight lines have slopes 2 and 3. Thickest lines (solid and dashed) indicate the last time, which is  $48t_1$  since turning off the forcing. The intermediate thickness solid line, the highest solid line for  $5 < k/k_1 < 10$ , is the initial magnetic spectrum for this computation.

# high resolution 3D compressible MHD simulations - decay



# inverse transfer

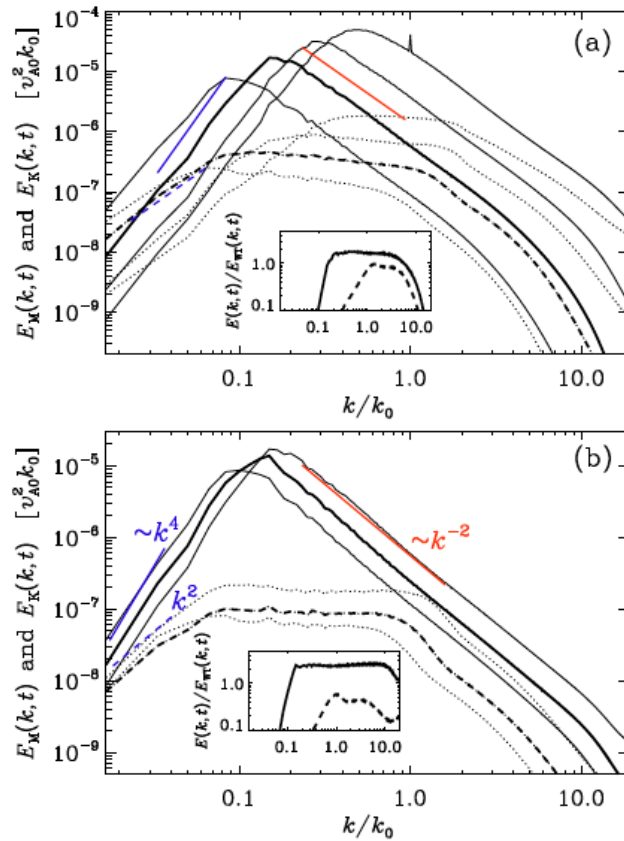


FIG. 1: (Color online) (a) Magnetic (solid lines) and kinetic (dashed lines) energy spectra for Run A at times  $t/\tau_A = 18, 130, 450,$  and  $1800$ ; the time  $t/\tau_A = 450$  is shown as bold lines. The straight lines indicate the slopes  $k^4$  (solid, blue),  $k^2$  (dashed, blue), and  $k^{-2}$  (red, solid). (b) Same for Run B, at  $t/\tau_A = 540, 1300,$  and  $1800$ , with  $t/\tau_A = 1300$  shown as bold lines. The insets show  $E_M$  and  $E_K$  compensated by  $E_{WT}$ .

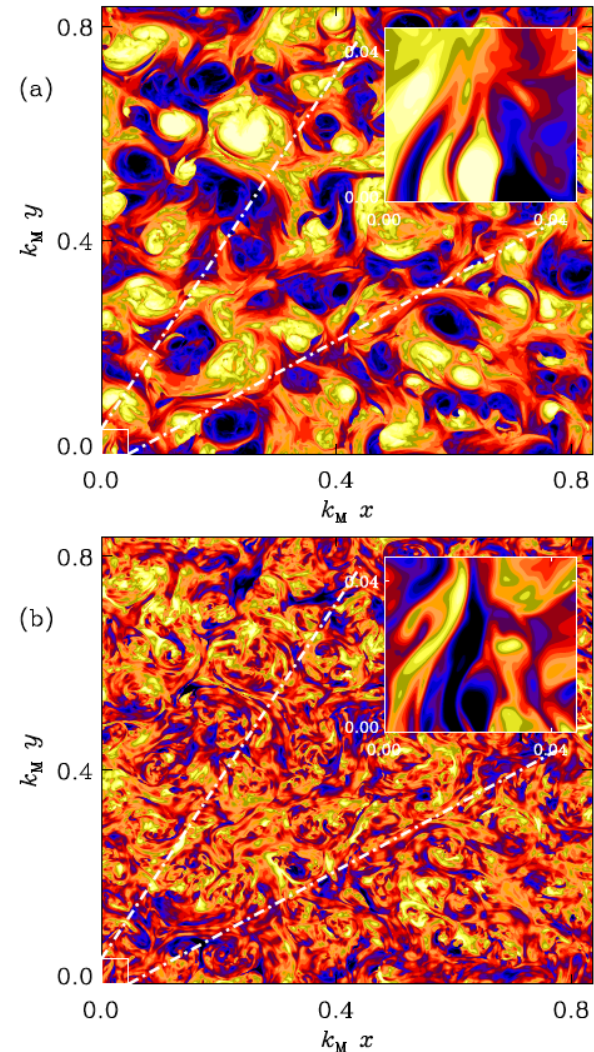
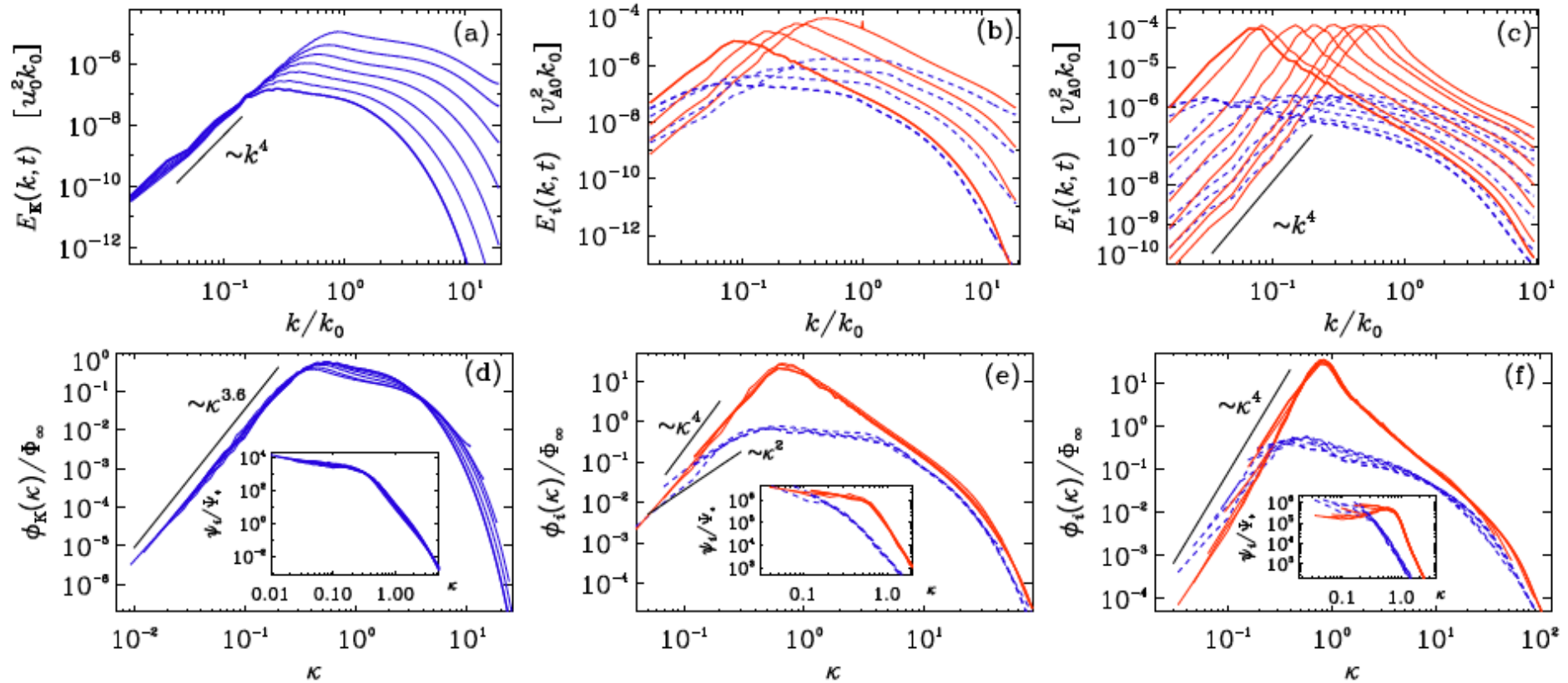


FIG. 2: (Color online) Contours of (a)  $B_z(x,y)$  and (b)  $u_z(x,y)$  for Run A. The insets show a zoom into the small square in the lower left corner.



# classes of turbulences



Brandenburg & Kahniashvili 2017

# classes of MHD turbulence

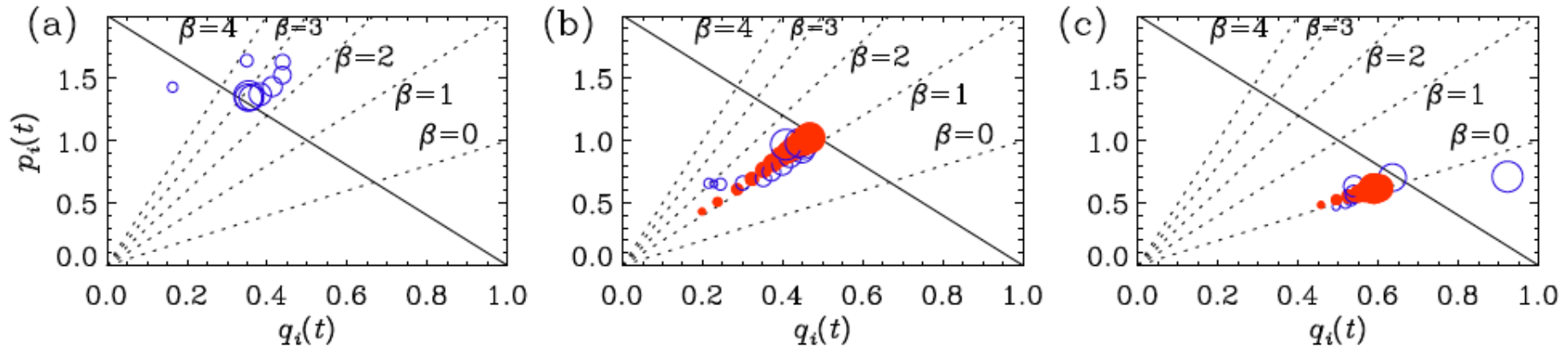


FIG. 2:  $pq$  diagrams for cases (i)–(iii). Open (closed) symbols correspond to  $i = K$  ( $M$ ) and their sizes increase with time.

TABLE I: Scaling exponents and relation to physical invariants and their dimensions.

$\beta$	$p$	$q$	inv.	dim.
4	$10/7 \approx 1.43$	$2/7 \approx 0.286$	$\mathcal{L}$	$[x]^7[t]^{-2}$
3	$8/6 \approx 1.33$	$2/6 \approx 0.333$		
2	$6/5 = 1.20$	$2/5 = 0.400$		
1	$4/4 = 1.00$	$2/4 = 0.500$	$\langle A_{2D}^2 \rangle$	$[x]^4[t]^{-2}$
0	$2/3 \approx 0.67$	$2/3 \approx 0.667$	$\langle A \cdot B \rangle$	$[x]^3[t]^{-2}$
-1	$0/2 = 0.00$	$2/1 = 1.000$		

$$\overline{\mathcal{E}_i(t)} \sim t^{-p_i} \text{ for } i = K \text{ or } M$$

$$\xi \propto t^q,$$

*Brandenburg & Kahniashvili 2017*

# dynamo effect and chiral cascade

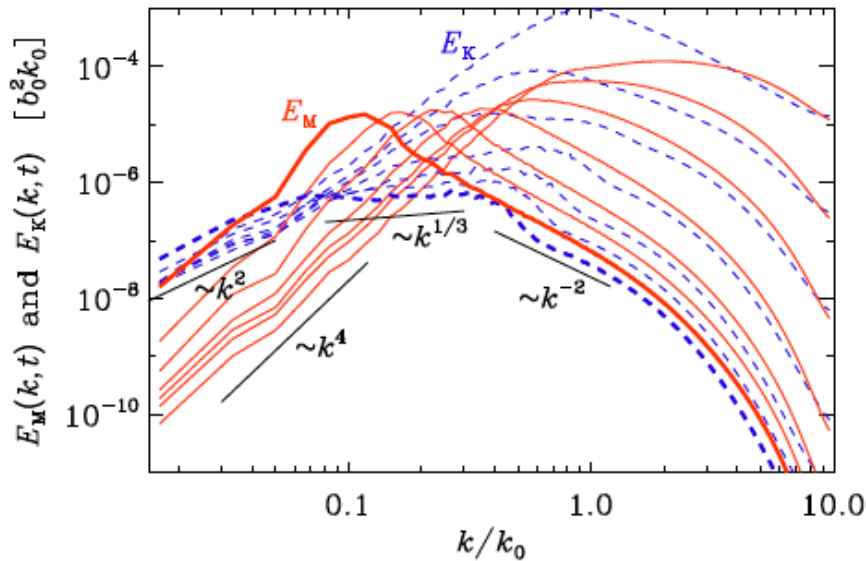


FIG. 2:  $E_K(k, t)$  and  $E_M(k, t)$  for  $t/\tau = 16, 60, 200, 800, 2000, 6000,$  and  $14,000$ .

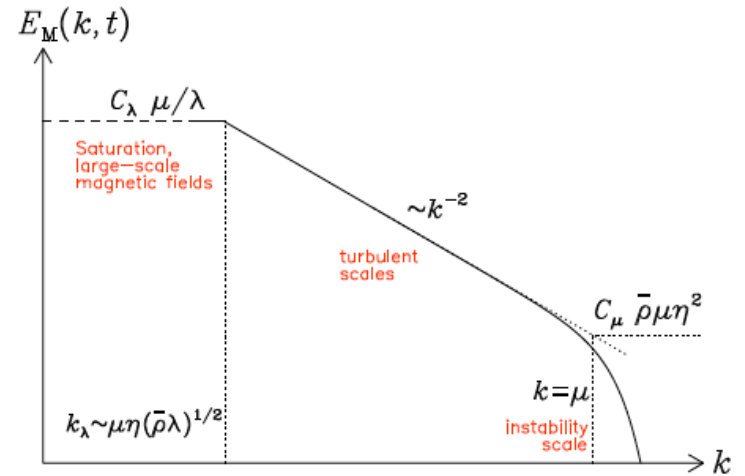


FIG. 1.— Sketch of the magnetic energy spectrum of chiral-magnetically driven turbulence.

$$\mathcal{E}_i(t) \sim t^{-P_i} \text{ for } i = K \text{ or } M$$

$$\xi \propto t^q,$$

Brandenburg, et al. 2017a

Brandenburg, et al. 2017b

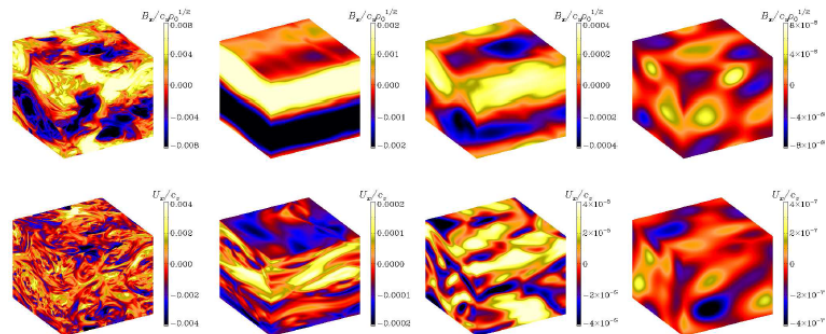


FIG. 3.—  $B_x$  and  $B_z$  on the periphery of the computational domain for (from left to right)  $v_\lambda/v_\mu = 700, 70, 7,$  and  $0.07$  at the last time.

# inflationary magnetogenesis

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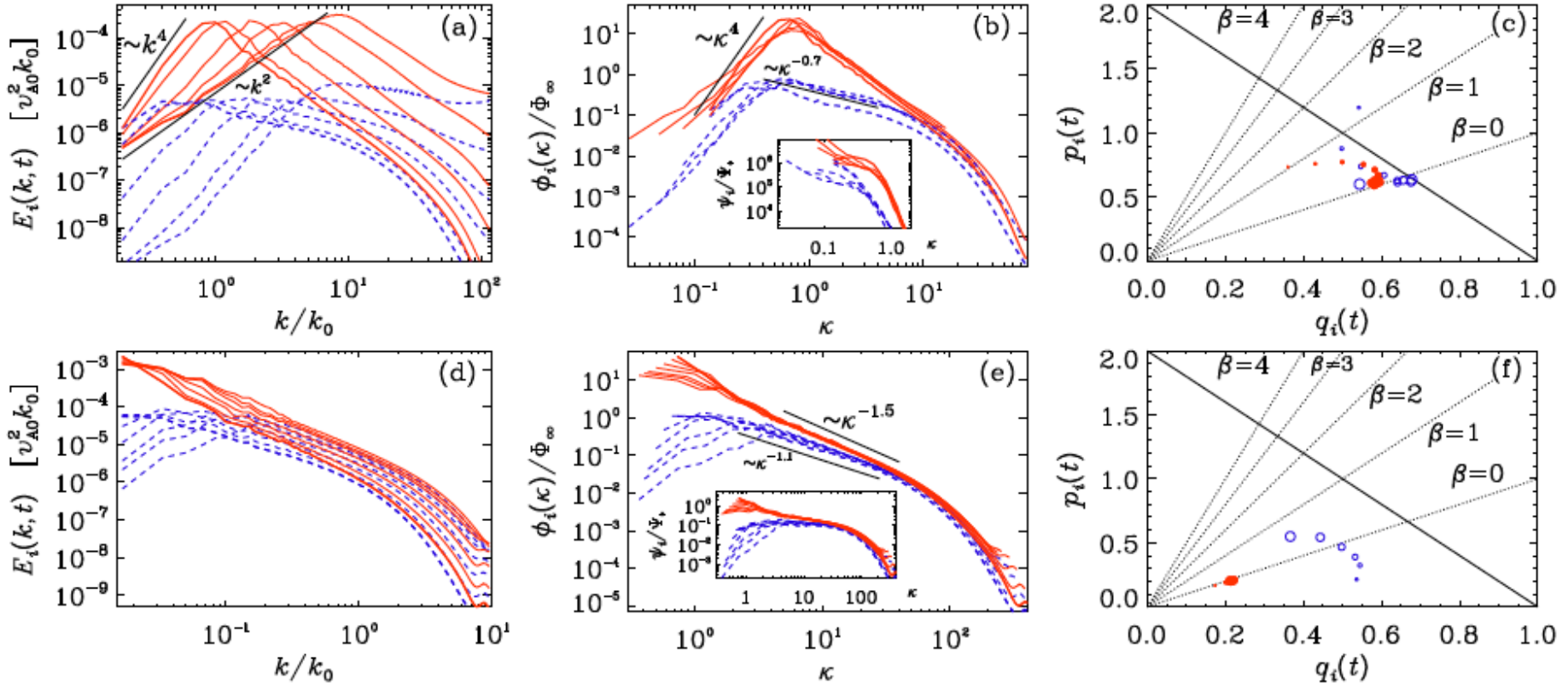
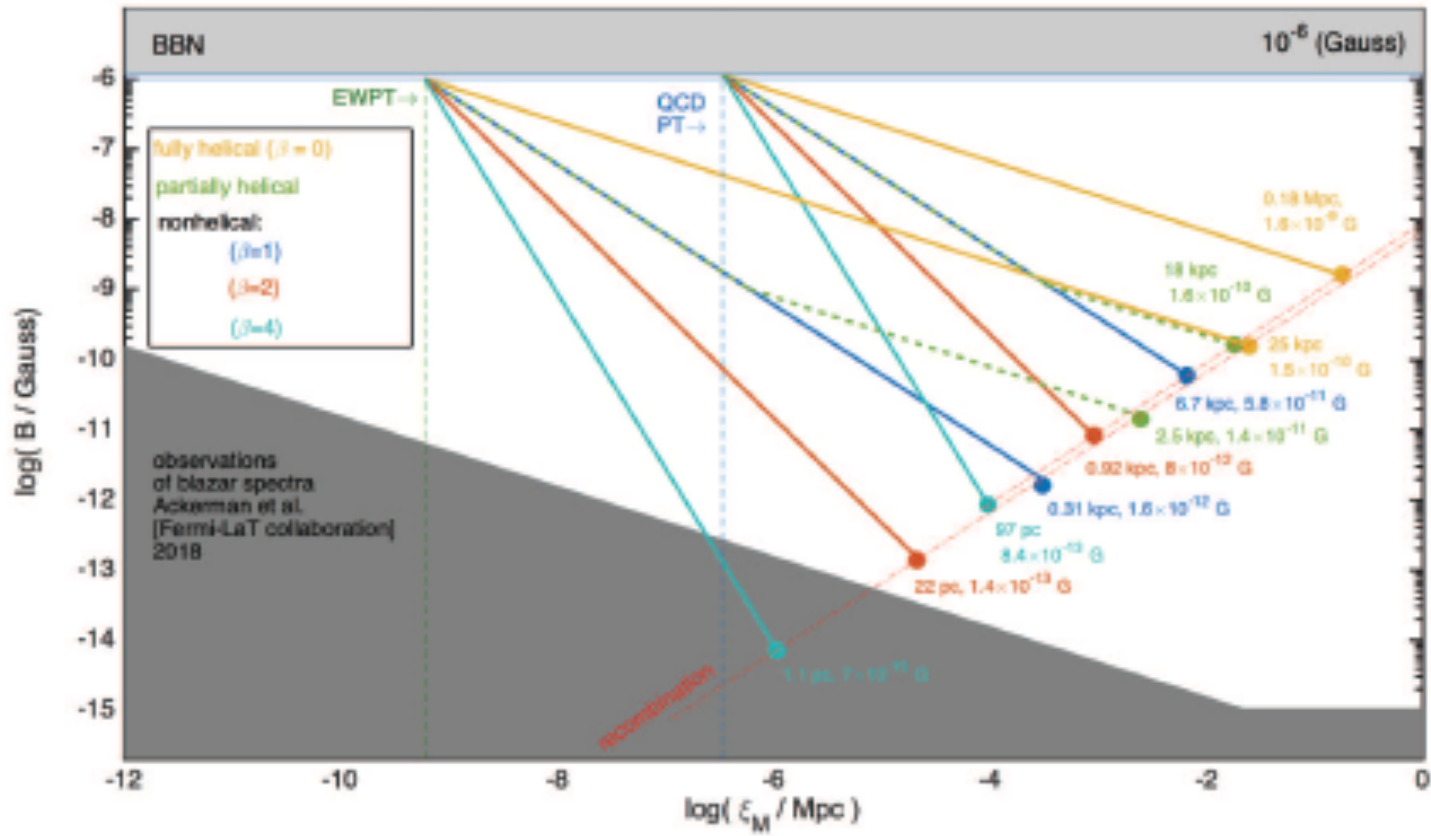


FIG. 3:  $E_M$  (solid) and  $E_K$  (dashed) in MHD with fractional helicity and  $\alpha = 2$  (a), as well as full helicity and  $\alpha = -1$  (d), together with compensated spectra (b,e) and the  $pq$  diagrams (c,f).

# outcomes fields



Credit: Emma Clarke

# evolution through structure formation

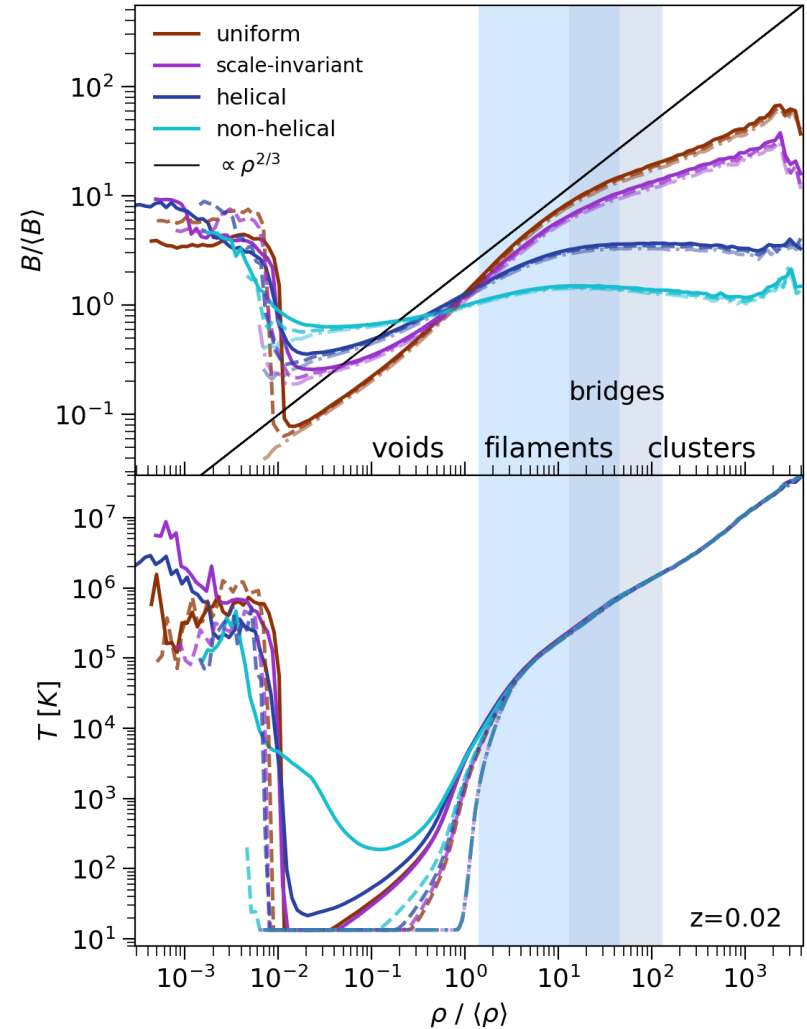
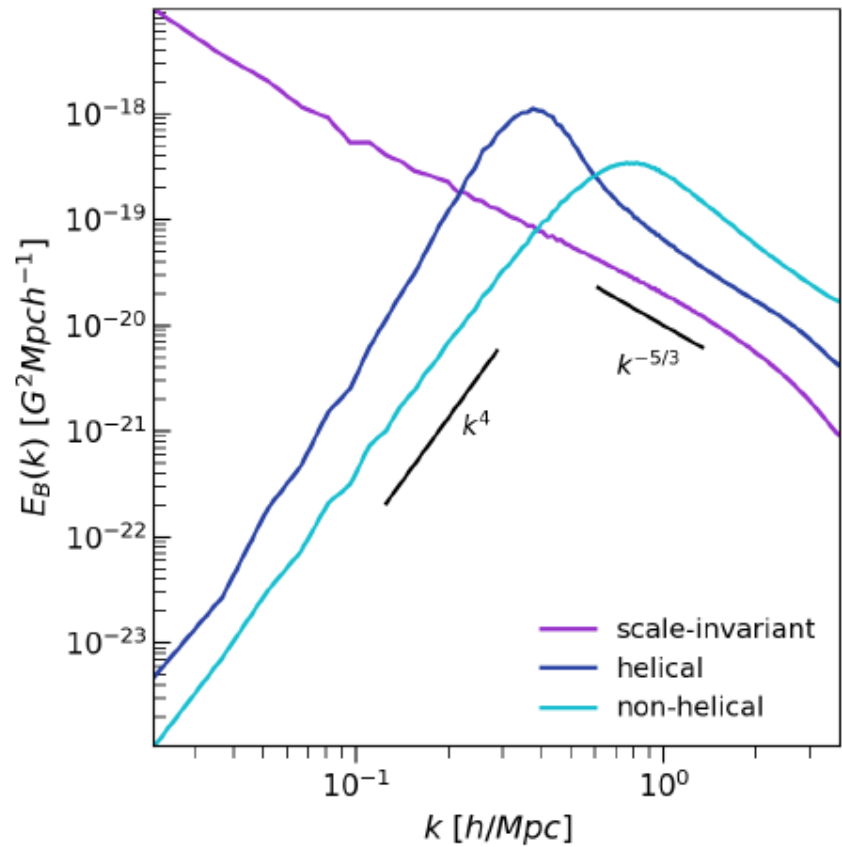
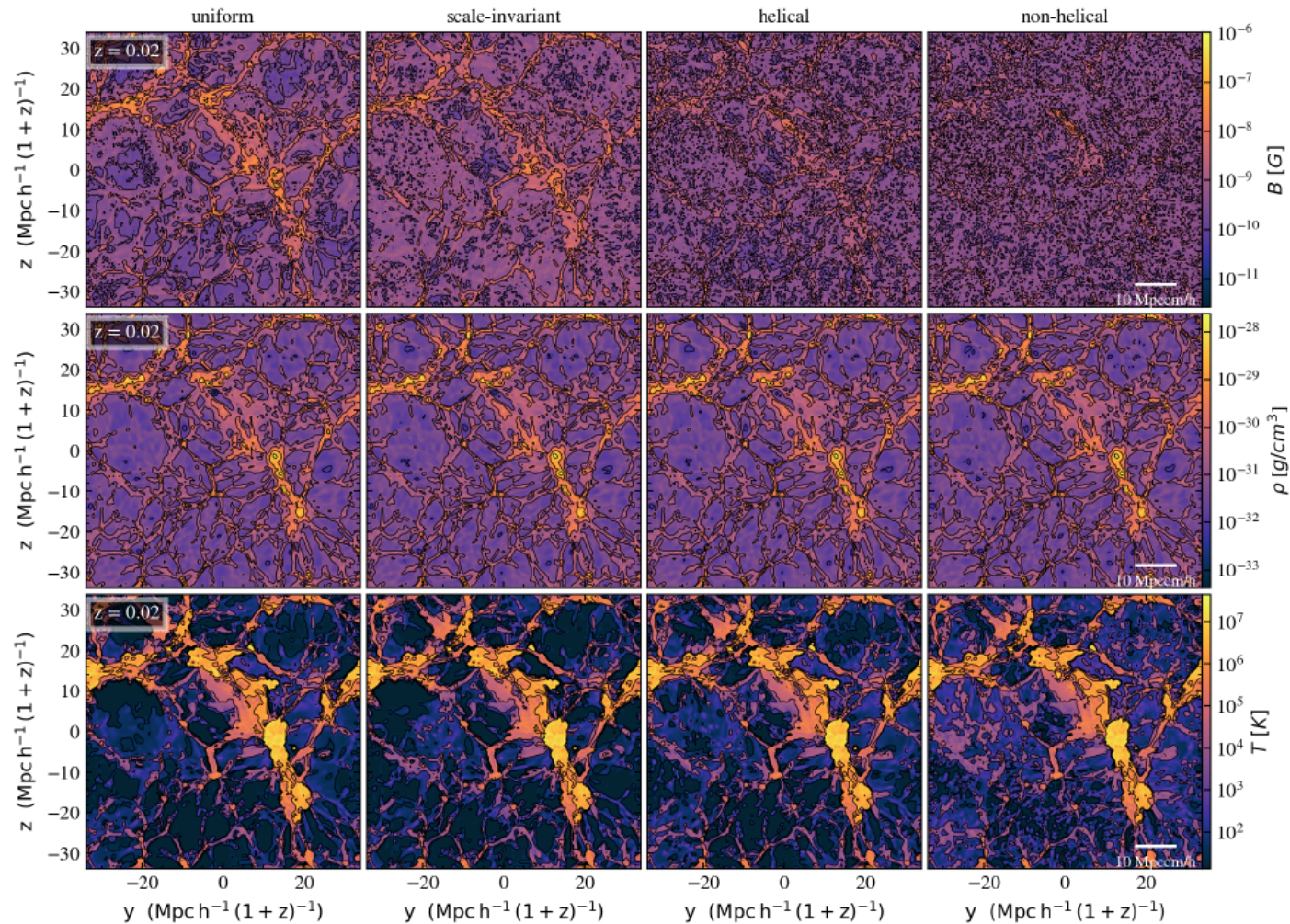


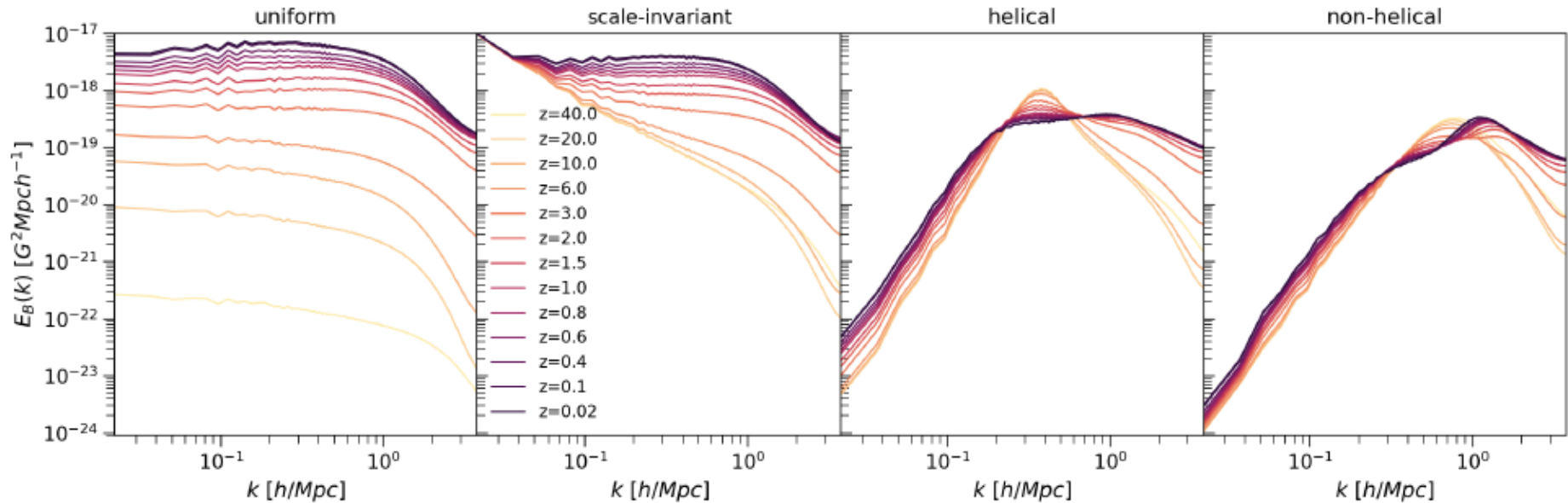
Figure 1. The initial magnetic power spectra for the stochastic setups.

# evolution through structure formation



**Figure 3.** The contoured slices through the center of the simulated box at  $z = 0.02$ . The top, middle, and bottom panels show the magnetic field, density and temperature slices correspondingly. The overplotted contour lines mark the regions with a certain field strength and the range of the field values are set according to the minimum and maximum of the annotated fields.

# evolution through structure formation



**Figure 6.** Redshift evolution of magnetic power spectra; from left to right: the uniform, scale-invariant, helical and non-helical seedings.



# Primordial Turbulence Signatures

# observational signatures include

## **Density perturbations** - scalar mode

- Fast and slow magnetosound waves

## **Vorticity perturbations** - vector mode

- Alfven waves

## **Gravitational waves** - tensor Mode

- No analogy in Newtonian description

## **Early Universe**

- BBN &  $N_{\text{eff}}$
- CMB temperature and polarization anisotropies
- Gravitational waves

$$G_{ik} = 8\pi G T_{ik}$$

## **Late Stages**

- Matter power spectrum
- Jeans scale
- LSS clustering

# observational signatures

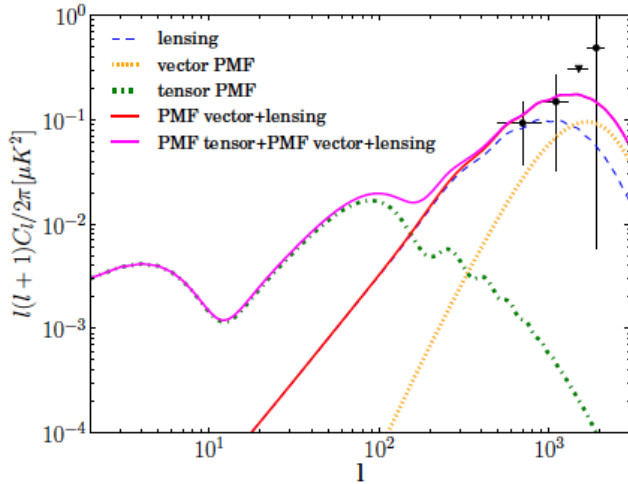


FIG. 4: A representative  $B$ -mode polarization power spectrum sourced by a scale-invariant PMF. Shown are the passive tensor mode (green), the compensated vector mode (orange), the gravitational lensing contribution (blue) and the combinations of the lensing and vector  $B$  modes (red) and all three components (magenta). The PMF contribution is based on  $B_{1\text{Mpc}} = 2.5 \text{ nG}$ ,  $n = -2.9$ ,  $a_\nu/a_{\text{PMF}} = 10^9$ . The data points are from the POLARBEAR first-season  $B$ -mode power spectrum. The third point is the 95% upper limit assuming the band power is positive.

POLARBEAR 2015

Data:  
Croft et al. 2002

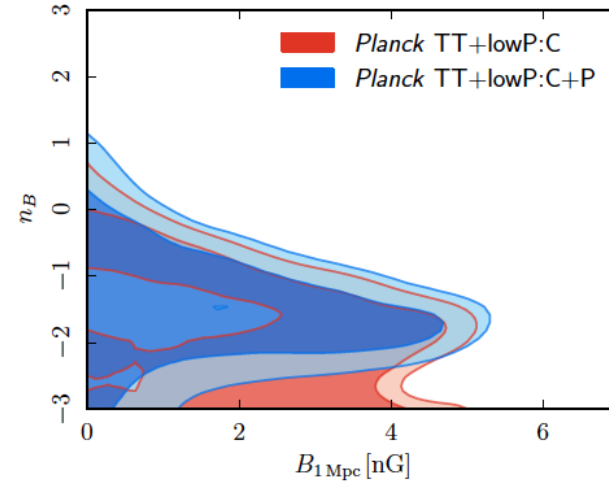
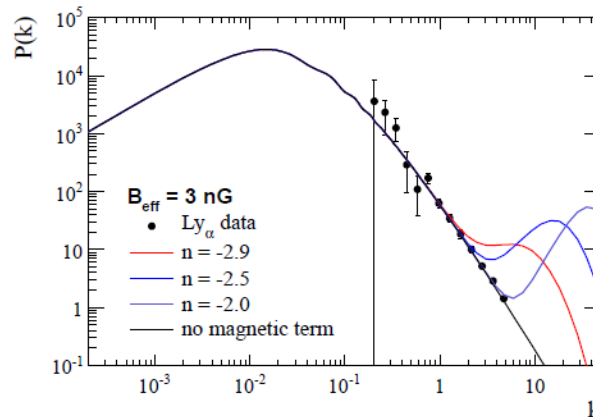


Fig. 8. PMF amplitude versus the spectral index for the baseline *Planck* 2015 case. C+P denotes the case where both compensated and passive modes are considered, whereas C indicates the case with only compensated modes. The two contours represent the 68 % and 95 % confidence levels.

Planck 2015 Results



*Kahniashvili et al. 2013*

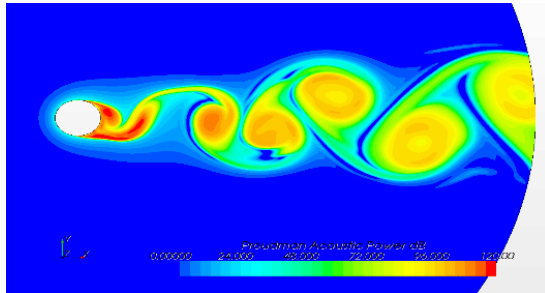
# gravitational waves primordial turbulence?

$$\nabla^2 \delta\rho(\mathbf{x}, t) - \frac{1}{c_s^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \delta\rho(\mathbf{x}, t) = -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^i \partial x^j} T(\mathbf{x}, t), \quad c_s^2 = \frac{\partial p}{\partial \rho}$$

$$\nabla^2 h_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} h_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) = -16\pi G S_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t) \quad c = 1$$

## Aero-acoustic approximation:

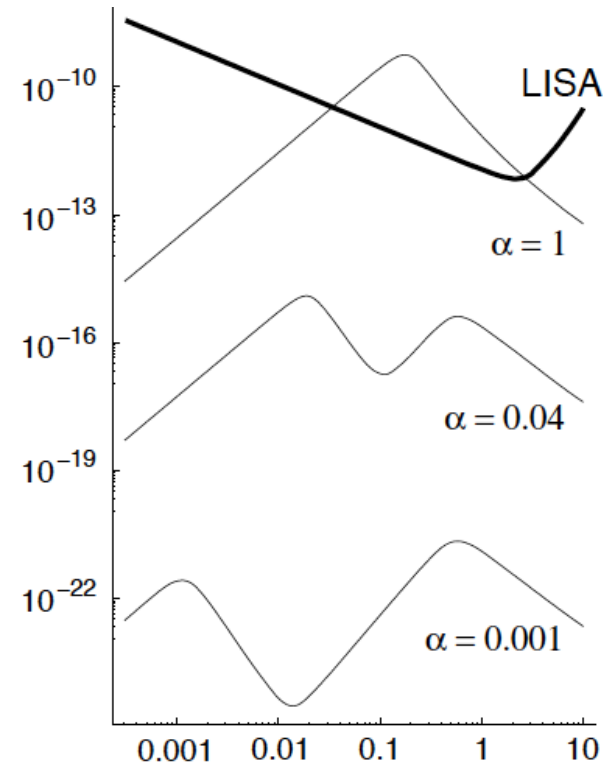
- ✓ sound waves generation by turbulence
- ✓ gravitational waves generation



*Lighthill, 1952; Proudman 1952*

*Kosowsky, Mack, Kahniashvili, 2002*

*Dolgov, Grasso, Nicolis, 2002*

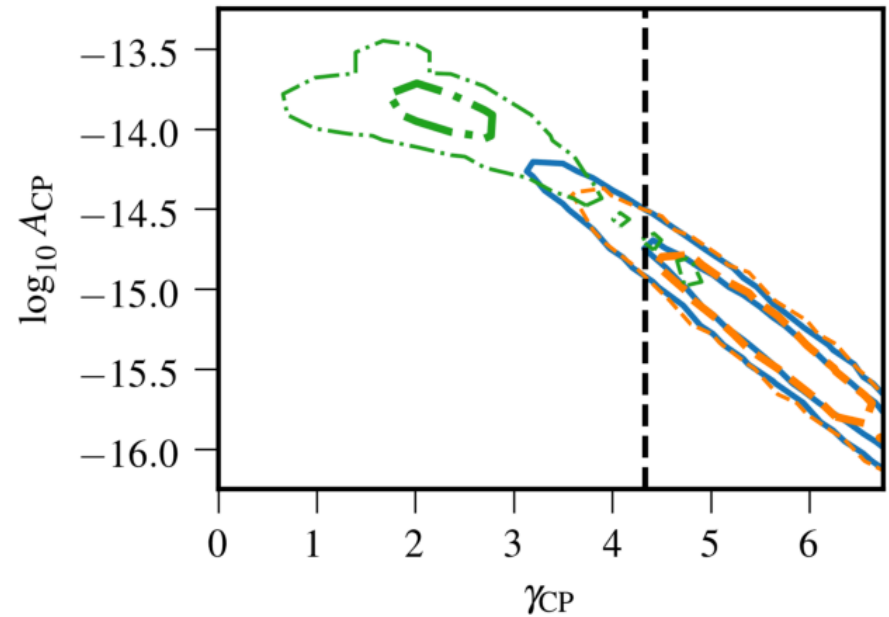
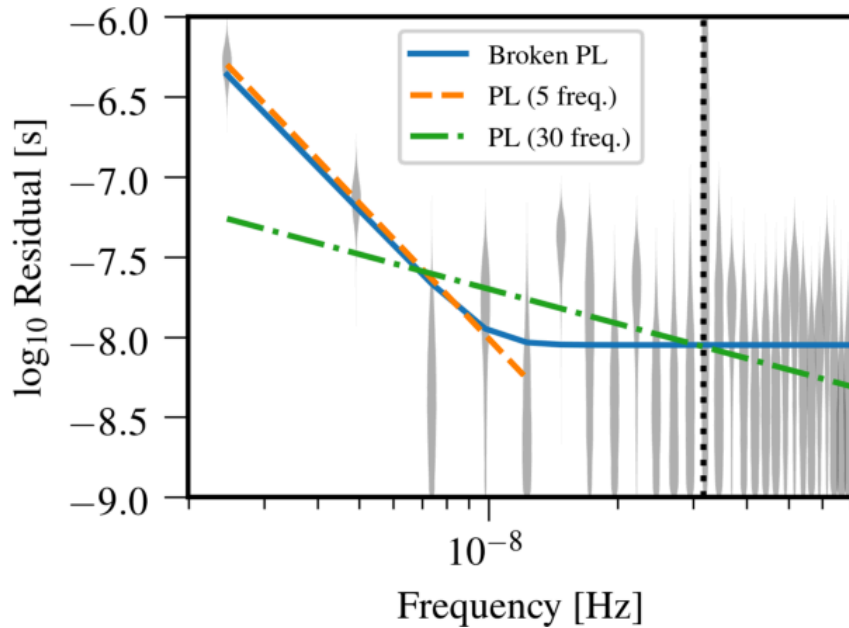


*Nicolis 2004*

# NANOGrav 12.5 years observations:

NANOGrav 12.5-year sensitivity range of 1–100 nHz

$$h_c(f) = A_{\text{CP}} \left( \frac{f}{f_{\text{yr}}} \right)^{\alpha_{\text{CP}}}, \quad \Omega_{\text{GW}}(f) = \frac{2\pi^2}{3H_0^2} f^2 h_c^2(f) = \Omega_{\text{GW}}^{\text{yr}} \left( \frac{f}{f_{\text{yr}}} \right)^{5-\gamma_{\text{CP}}}$$



$$\Omega_{\text{GW}}(t, f) = \frac{1}{\mathcal{E}_{\text{crit}}(t)} \frac{d\mathcal{E}_{\text{GW}}}{d \ln f}$$

Arzoumanian et al (2021)

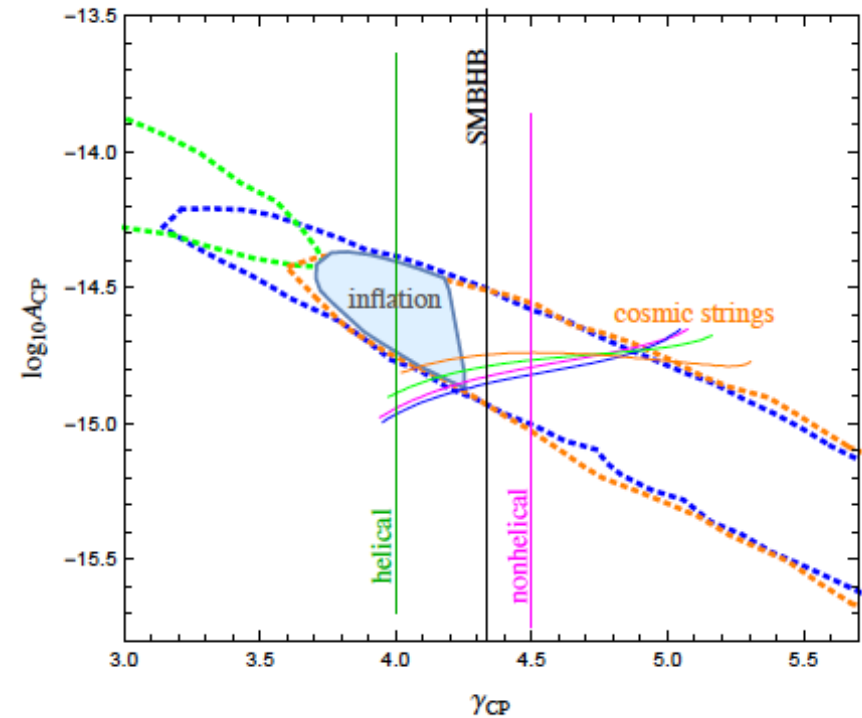
# Possible Sources:

## **Astrophysical:**

- ✓ Super massive black hole binary (SMBHB) (Phinney 2001):  $\gamma=13/3$

## **Cosmological:**

- ✓ Bubbles collisions (Kosowsky et al. 1993)
- ✓ Inflation (Vagnozzi 2021)
- ✓ Cosmic strings (Blanco-Pillado et al. 2021)
- ✓ Seed magnetic fields (Neronov et al. 2021)
- ✓ Hydrodynamic and MHD Turbulence (Brandenburg et al. 2021)



Credit: Emma Clarke

## QCD energy scale

$$\frac{a_0}{a_\star} = 10^{12} \left( \frac{g_{s,\star}}{15} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \left( \frac{T_\star}{150 \text{ MeV}} \right)$$

$$H_\star^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{2} \mathcal{E}_{\text{rad},\star}$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{rad},\star} = \frac{\pi^2 g_\star}{30} T_\star^4 \quad (c = k_B = \hbar = 1)$$

$$f_H \simeq (1.8 \times 10^{-8} \text{ Hz}) 10^{12} \left( \frac{g_\star}{15} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} \left( \frac{T_\star}{150 \text{ MeV}} \right)$$

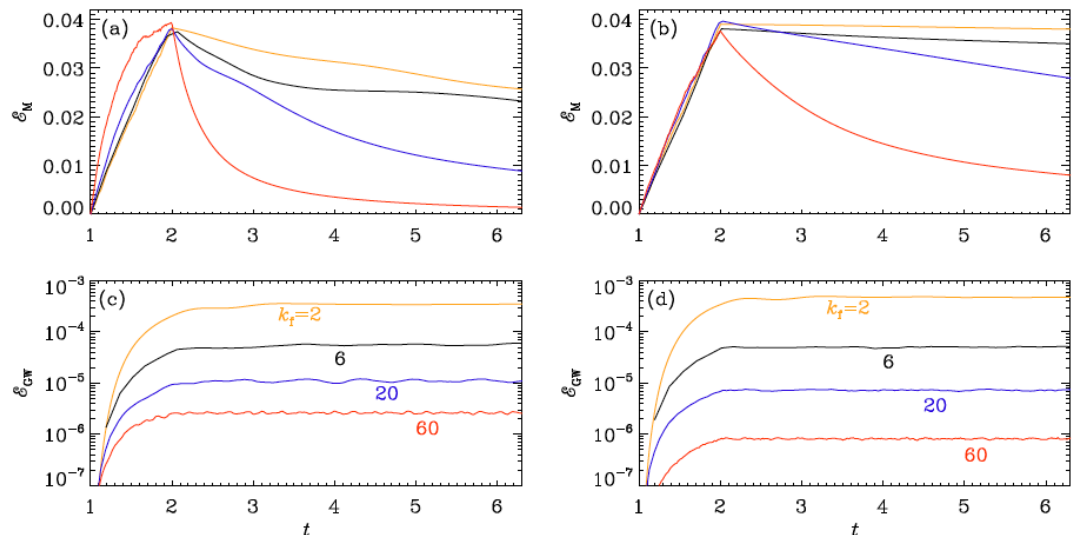
# numerical simulations

- ✓ To account properly non-linear processes (MHD)
- ✓ Not be limited by the short duration of the phase transitions
- ✓ Two stages turbulence decay
  - Forced turbulence
  - Free decay
- ✓ The source is present till recombination (after the field is frozen in)
- ✓ Results – strongly initial conditions dependent

$$\left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - c^2 \nabla^2 \right) h_{ij}^{\text{TT}} = \frac{16\pi G}{a^3 c^2} T_{ij}^{\text{TT}},$$

$$h_{ij}^{\text{TT}} = a h_{ij}^{\text{TT,phys}} \quad dt_{\text{phys}} = a dt$$

*Brandenburg et al (2021)*



$$\mathcal{E}_M(t) = \mathcal{E}_M^{\text{max}} (1 + \Delta t/\tau)^{-P}$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{GW}}^{\text{sat}} = (q\mathcal{E}_M^{\text{max}}/k_f)^2$$

Evolution of  $\mathcal{E}_M(t)$  and  $\mathcal{E}_{\text{GW}}(t)$  for nonhelical (left) and helical (right) cases. Orange, black, blue, and red are for  $k_f = 2, 6, 20,$  and  $60,$  respectively.

# Results

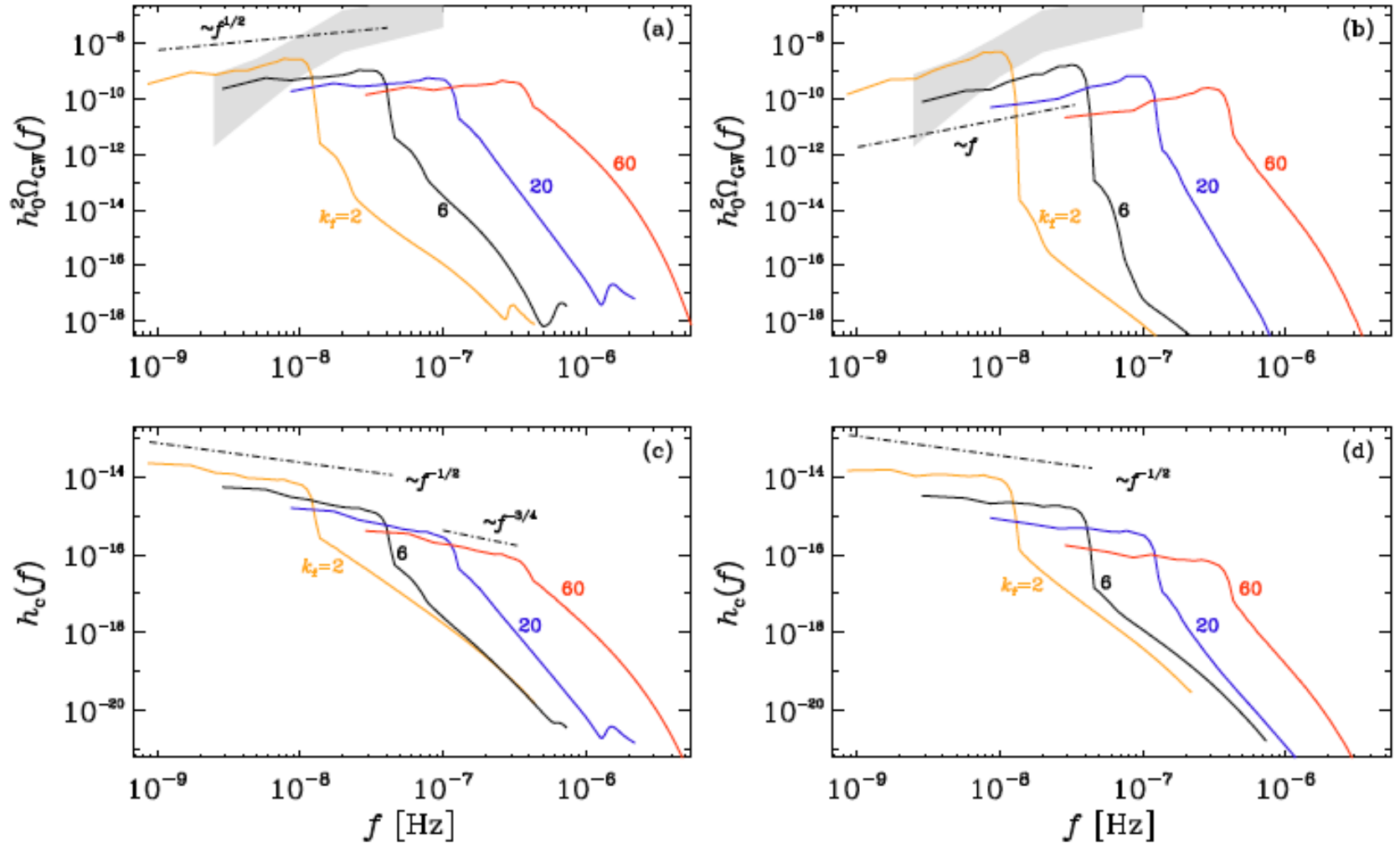


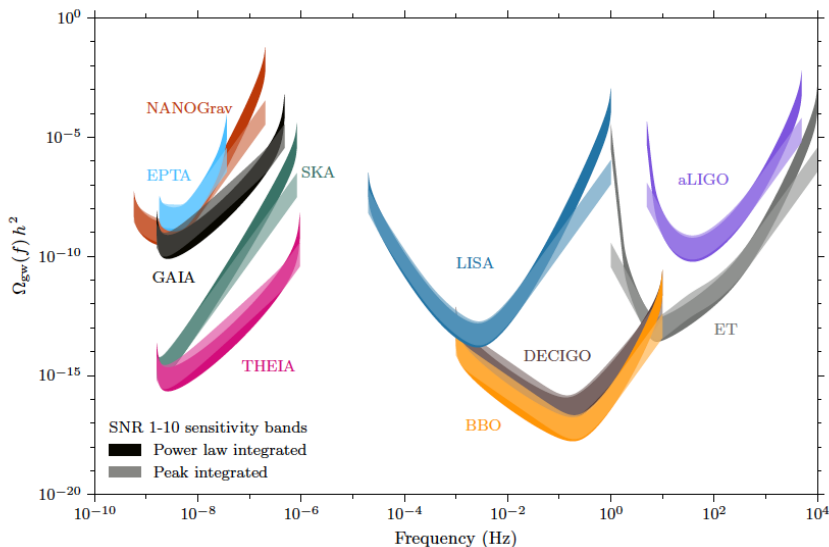
FIG. 5:  $h_0^2 \Omega_{\text{GW}}(f)$  and  $h_c(f)$  at the present time for all four runs presented in Table I, for the nonhelical (left) and helical (right) runs. The  $2\sigma$  confidence contour for the 30-frequency power law of the NANOGrav 12.5-year data set is shown in gray.



# Next steps

Determine the mechanisms insuring the presence of viable turbulent sources and correspondingly correct initial conditions:

- ❖ Primordial magnetogenesis
- ❖ Bubble collisions/nucleation – more realistic models
- ❖ Sound waves as a source for turbulence
- ❖ Axions driven turbulence and axion like particles driven inflationary new physics
- ❖ Chiral sources and gravitational waves polarization
- ❖ Low temperature re and pre-heating



Cross-correlating data between different observations:

- ❖ PTAs
- ❖ Astrometric missions: Gaia, Theia

$$\Omega_{\text{gw}}(f) h^2 = \frac{2\pi^2}{3H_0^2} f^2 h_{\text{gw}}^2(f) h^2$$

*Garcia-Bellido et al. 2021*  
*arXiv: 2104.04778*

# conclusion

- The high conductivity of primordial plasma insures possibility of hydro and magneto-hydrodynamics turbulence development in the early universe
- Turbulence experiences decay through the expansion of the universe
- Primordial MHD turbulence is a plausible explanation of the observed magnetic fields in galaxies, clusters, and voids (if confirmed)
- Primordial turbulence signatures include:
  - gravitational waves
  - cosmic microwave background fluctuations
  - effects of the matter power spectrum (large scale structure)

**Thank You!**

Questions?