

Baryogenesis from Helical Magnetic Fields

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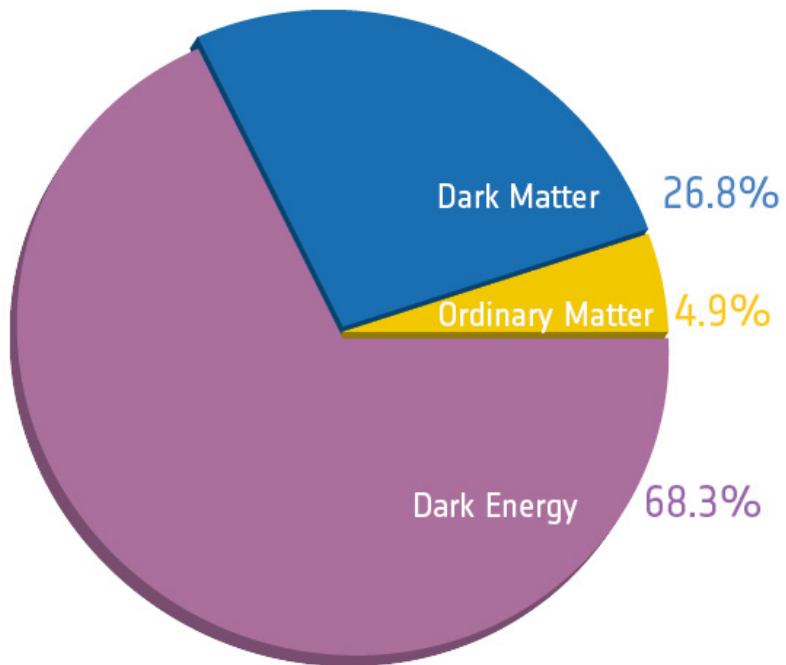


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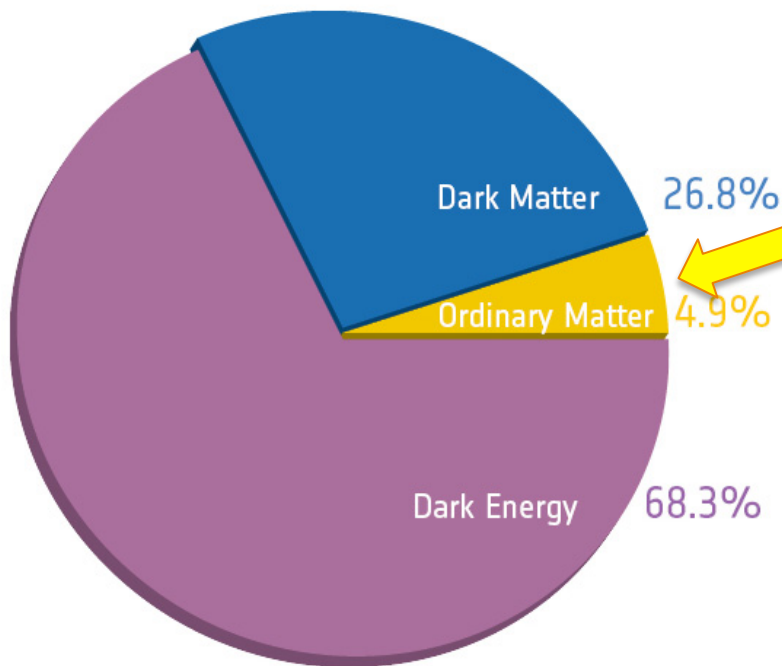


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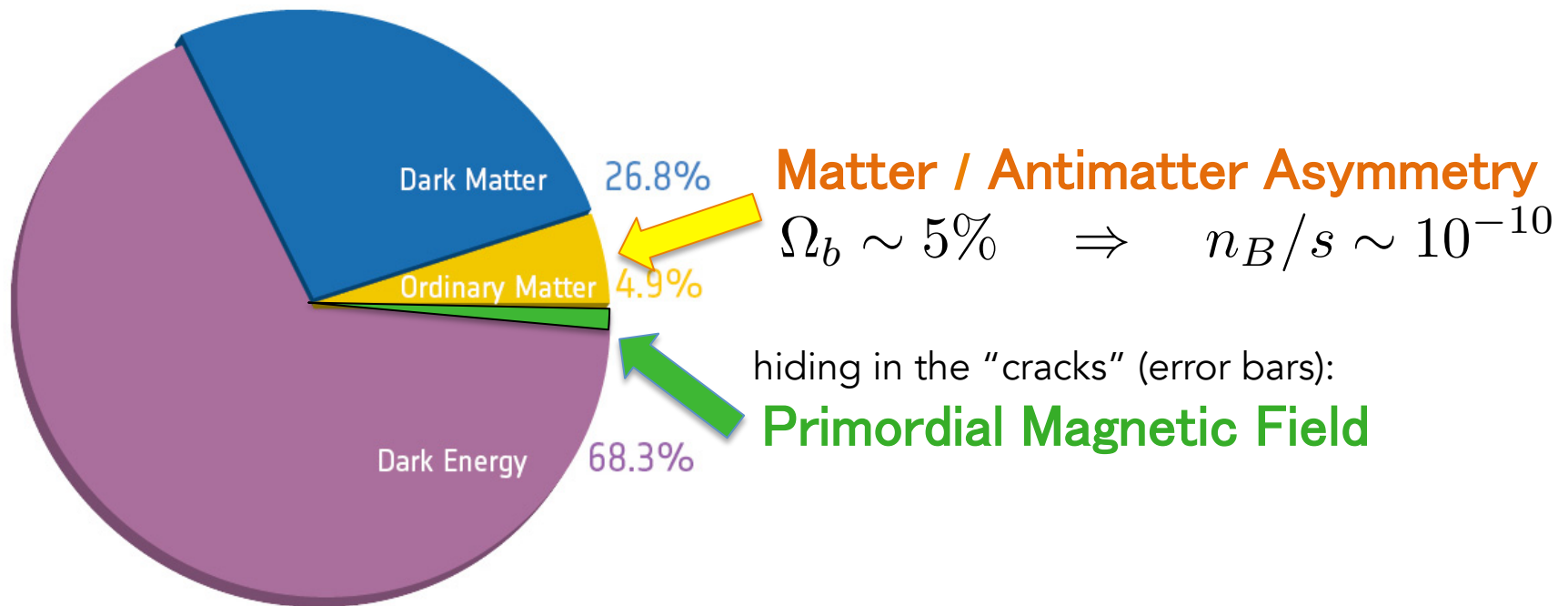
Matter / Antimatter Asymmetry
 $\Omega_b \sim 5\% \Rightarrow n_B/s \sim 10^{-10}$

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Executive Summary

In this talk, I'm going to ...

... assume that a helical magnetic field was created in the early universe prior to the EW epoch. (e.g., arises naturally in axion inflation)

... show that the decaying helicity of this field gives rise to a baryon asymmetry through the Standard Model B+L anomaly (builds on earlier work by Joyce, Shaposhnikov, Giovannini, Bamba, Geng, Ho, ...)

... calculate the evolution of the magnetic field and baryon asymmetry from magnetogenesis until today, while paying particular attention to the EW crossover (this is my work with Kohei Kamada; see also Fujita & Kamada, 2016)

... conclude that the predicted relic baryon asymmetry suffers from a large theoretical uncertainty, because we don't understand well how magnetic fields behave at the EW crossover (even though this is just SM physics!)

**Standard Model
anomalies &
primordial magnetic
fields**

Standard Model B & L Violation

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{baryon \& lepton number} & \text{SU(2)}_L \text{ gauge field} & \text{U(1)}_\gamma \text{ gauge field} \\ \hline \underbrace{\partial_\mu j_B^\mu = \partial_\mu j_L^\mu} & = N_{\text{gen}} \left(\frac{g^2}{16\pi^2} \text{Tr} [W_{\mu\nu} \tilde{W}^{\mu\nu}] \right) & - \frac{1}{2} \frac{g'^2}{16\pi^2} Y_{\mu\nu} \tilde{Y}^{\mu\nu} \end{array}$$

't Hooft (1976)

Thermal fluctuations of the weak isospin field (**EW sphaleron**), provide support for the SU(2)_L term.

Kuzmin, Rubakov, Shaposhnikov (1985)

The sphaleron is responsible for B-violation in many models of baryogenesis, including EW baryogenesis & leptogenesis.

Can we use the U(1)_γ term to accomplish baryogenesis?

B-Number from Magnetic Helicity

Joyce & Shaposhnikov (1997); Giovannini & Shaposhnikov (1997) see also Rubakov & Tavkhelidze (1985)

baryon & lepton number	SU(2) _L gauge field	U(1) _Y gauge field
$\partial_\mu j_B^\mu = \partial_\mu j_L^\mu = N_{\text{gen}} \left(\frac{g^2}{16\pi^2} \text{Tr} [W_{\mu\nu} \tilde{W}^{\mu\nu}] - \frac{1}{2} \frac{g'^2}{16\pi^2} Y_{\mu\nu} \tilde{Y}^{\mu\nu} \right)$		

A **hypermagnetic field** provides support for the U(1)_Y term.

$$\langle Y_{\mu\nu} \tilde{Y}^{\mu\nu} \rangle = -4 \mathbf{E}_Y \cdot \mathbf{B}_Y = 2 \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}) + \nabla \cdot (\phi \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{A}) \right]$$

To induce a change in B-number, the **helicity must change**

$$\Delta Q_B = -N_{\text{gen}} \frac{g'^2}{16\pi^2} \Delta \mathcal{H}_Y \quad \text{where} \quad \mathcal{H}_Y = \int d^3x \mathbf{A}_Y \cdot \mathbf{B}_Y$$

In a plasma, the helicity decays because of **ohmic losses**

$$\mathbf{E}_Y = \mathbf{j}_Y / \sigma_Y \approx \nabla \times \mathbf{B}_Y / \sigma_Y$$

$$\langle Y_{\mu\nu} \tilde{Y}^{\mu\nu} \rangle = -4 \langle \mathbf{B}_Y \cdot \nabla \times \mathbf{B}_Y \rangle / \sigma_Y$$

Decaying hypermagnetic helicity sources B-number!

E.g., field generation via axion inflation

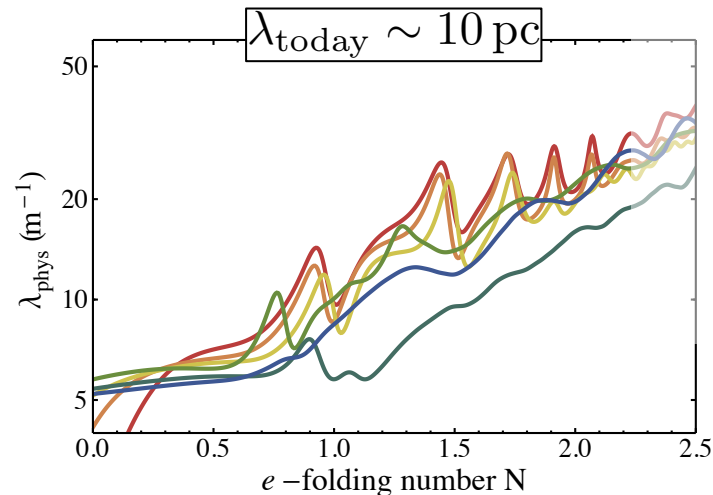
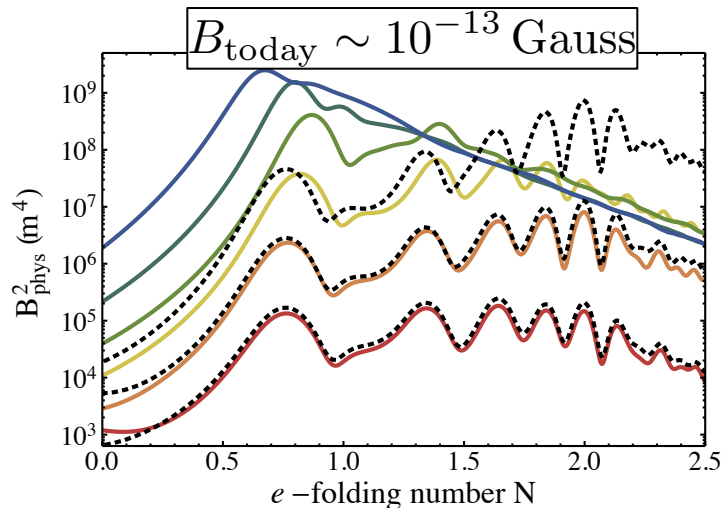
For example, a helical magnetic field may be generated during inflation from a pseudo-scalar inflaton (or spectator field).

Garretson, Field, & Carroll (1992); Anber & Sorbo (2006)
 Durrer, Hollenstein, Jain (2010)
 Barnaby, Moxon, Namba, Peloso, Shiu, & Zhou (2012)
 Caprini & Sorbo (2014)
 Fujita, Namba, Tada, Takeda, Tashiro (2015)
 Anber & Sabancilar (2015)

axion coupled to EM ... rolling sources helicity ... opens tachyonic instability

$$-\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = \frac{\varphi}{4f} F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} = \frac{d\varphi/dt}{2f} \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B} + \dots \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \eta^2} + k^2 \pm k \frac{\xi}{\eta} \right) A_{\pm}(\eta, k) = 0$$

$\xi \equiv \frac{d\varphi/dt}{fH}$

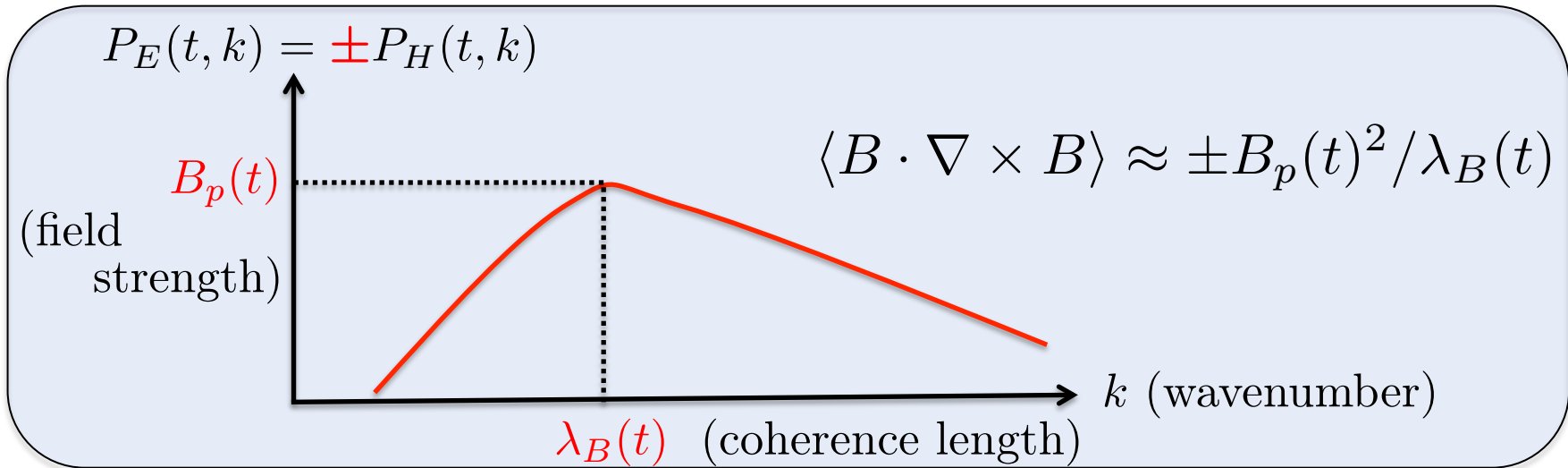


Lattice simulation of B-field growth during preheating after axion inflation
 Adshead, Giblin, Scully, Sfakianakis (2016)

**How do we
formulate
the problem?**

Background B-Field Evolution

Simplified model for the background B-field:



MHD evolution of B-field leads to **inverse cascade** scaling behavior.

$$B_p(t) = (a/a_0)^{-2} (\tau/\tau_{\text{rec}})^{-1/3} B_0$$

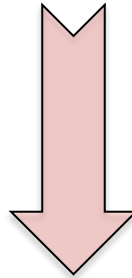
$$\lambda_B(t) = (a/a_0) (\tau/\tau_{\text{rec}})^{2/3} \lambda_0$$

Frisch, Pouquet, Leorat, Mazure, 75,76
 Banerjee & Jedamzik, 2004
 Campenelli, 2007
 Kahniashvili et. al. 2013

Baryon Asymmetry Evolution

Roughly speaking, you integrate the anomaly equation to obtain the kinetic equation for B-number:

$$\partial_\mu j_B^\mu = N_{\text{gen}} \left(\frac{g^2}{16\pi^2} \text{Tr} [W_{\mu\nu} \tilde{W}^{\mu\nu}] - \frac{1}{2} \frac{g'^2}{16\pi^2} Y_{\mu\nu} \tilde{Y}^{\mu\nu} \right)$$



$$\frac{d}{dt} n_B = -\Gamma_{\text{sphaleron}} n_B + \mathcal{S}_{\text{hypermagnetic}}$$

This glosses over Yukawa interactions which communicate B-number violation between the left- and right-chiral fermions.

SM Boltzmann eqns. w/ anomaly terms

$$\frac{d\eta_{u_L^i}}{dx} = -\mathcal{S}_{UDW}^i - \sum_{j=1}^{N_g} \left(\mathcal{S}_{Uhu}^{ij} + \mathcal{S}_{Uu}^{ij} + \mathcal{S}_{Uhd}^{ij} \right) - \mathcal{S}_{s,\text{sph}} - \frac{N_c}{2} \mathcal{S}_{w,\text{sph}} \\ + \left(N_c y_{QL}^2 \mathcal{S}_y^{\text{bkg}} + \frac{N_c}{2} \mathcal{S}_w^{\text{bkg}} + N_c \frac{y_{QL}}{2} \mathcal{S}_{yw}^{\text{bkg}} \right)$$

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$$\frac{d\eta_{\phi^0}}{dx} = \mathcal{S}_{hhw} - \mathcal{S}_h + \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_g} \left(-\mathcal{S}_{Uhu}^{ij} + \mathcal{S}_{Dhd}^{ij} + \mathcal{S}_{Ehe}^{ij} \right)$$

$$\frac{d\eta_{W^+}}{dx} = \left(\mathcal{S}_{hhw} + \mathcal{S}_{hw} \right) + \sum_{i=1}^{N_g} \left(\mathcal{S}_{UDW}^i + \mathcal{S}_{\nu EW}^i \right)$$

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$$\eta = n/s$$

$$x = T/H \sim M_{\text{pl}}/T$$

$k = \#$ degree of freedom

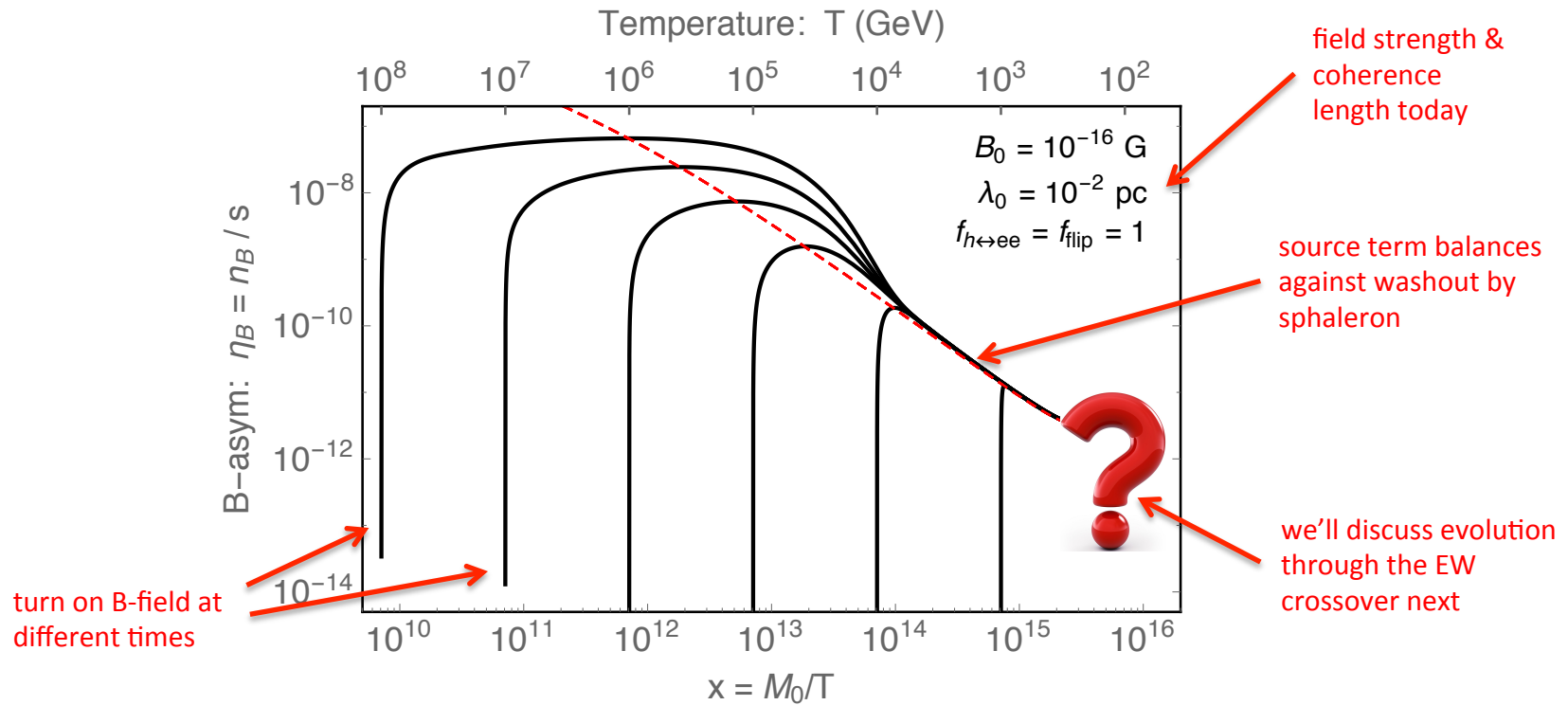
$$\mathcal{S}_y^{\text{bkg}} = \frac{1}{sT} \frac{\alpha_y}{4\pi} \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \langle Y_{\mu\nu} \rangle \langle Y_{\rho\sigma} \rangle \\ \mathcal{S}_w^{\text{bkg}} = \frac{1}{sT} \frac{1}{2} \frac{\alpha_w}{4\pi} \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \langle W_{\mu\nu}^a \rangle \langle W_{\rho\sigma}^a \rangle \\ \mathcal{S}_{yw}^{\text{bkg}} = \frac{1}{sT} \frac{gg'}{4\pi} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \langle Y_{\mu\nu} \rangle \langle W_{\rho\sigma}^3 \rangle.$$

Related work: Giovannini & Shaposhnikov;
Fujita & Kamada; AL, Sabancilar, & Vachaspati;
Semikoz, Dvornikov, Smirnov, Sokoloff, Valle

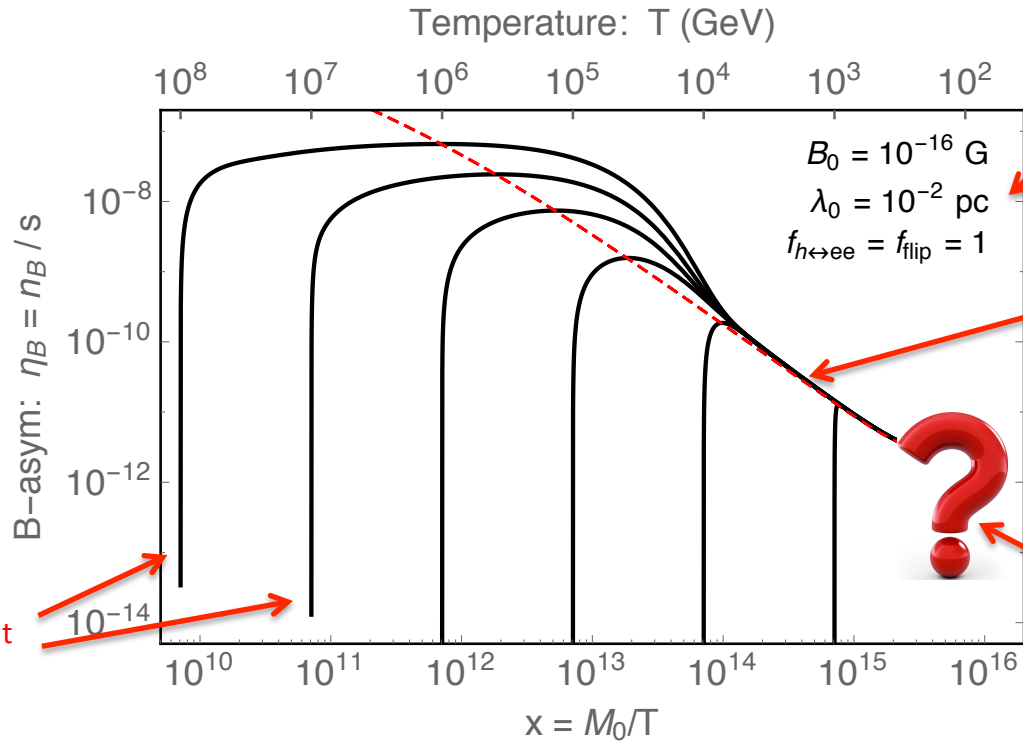
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Numerical Results

Evolution before EW crossover



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field strength & coherence length today

source term balances against washout by sphaleron

we'll discuss evolution through the EW crossover next

turn on B-field at different times

equilibrium baryon asymmetry: n_B / s

source from decaying magnetic helicity

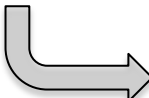
washout due to sphaleron + Yukawa interactions + chiral magnetic effect

$$\eta_B^{(\text{eq})} \approx \frac{\# \frac{\alpha_y}{sT} (\mathbf{B}_Y \cdot \nabla \times \mathbf{B}_Y) / \sigma_Y}{\# |y_e|^2 m_h^2(T) / T^2 + \# \frac{\alpha_y^2}{T^3} |\mathbf{B}_Y|^2 / \sigma_Y} \simeq (4 \times 10^{-12}) \frac{B_{14}^2}{\lambda_1} \frac{(T/T_w)^{4/3}}{0.08 m_h^2(T) / T^2 + B_{14}^2 (T/T_w)^{2/3}}$$

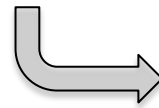
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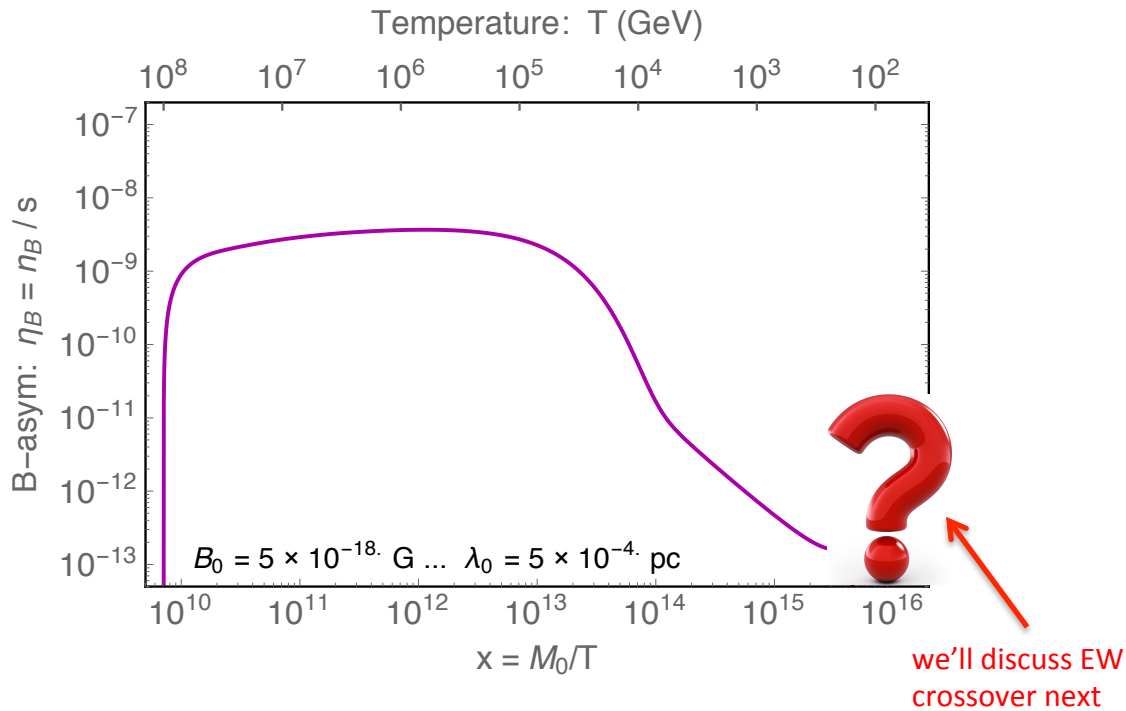
($B_{14} \equiv B_0 / (10^{-14} \text{ G})$, $\lambda_1 \equiv \lambda_0 / (1 \text{ pc})$, $T_w \equiv 162 \text{ GeV}$)

Let's play with the parameters until we get $\eta_B \sim 10^{-10}$ to match observed BAU

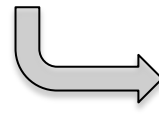
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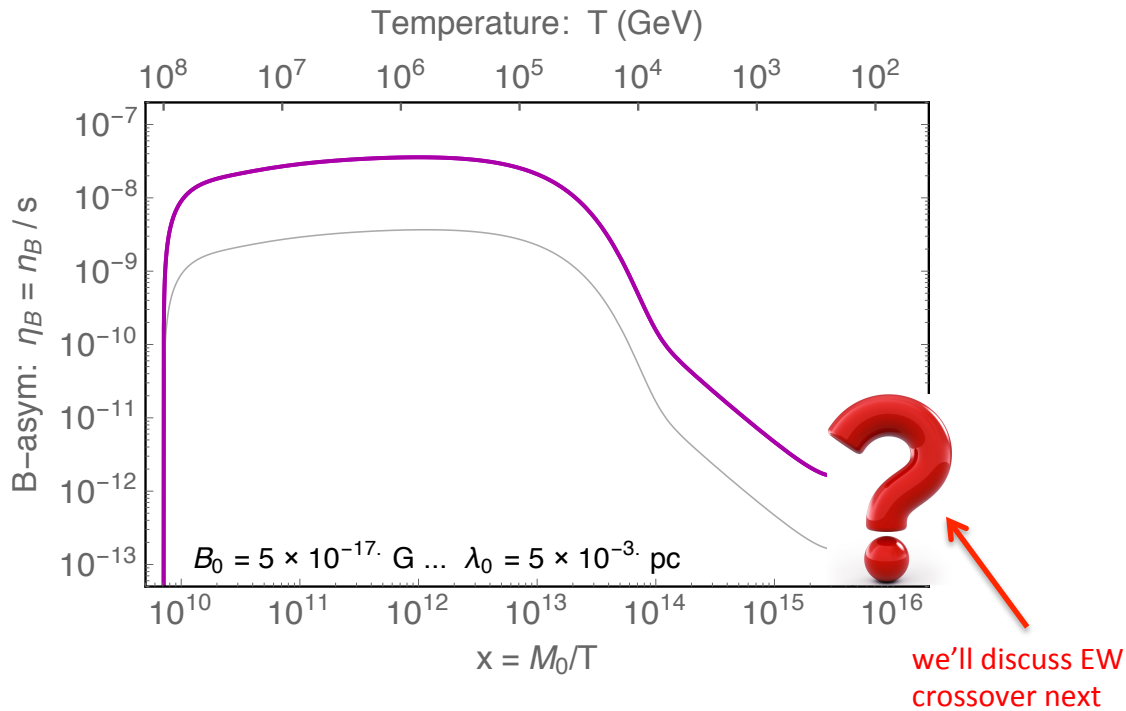
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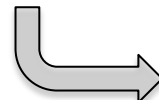


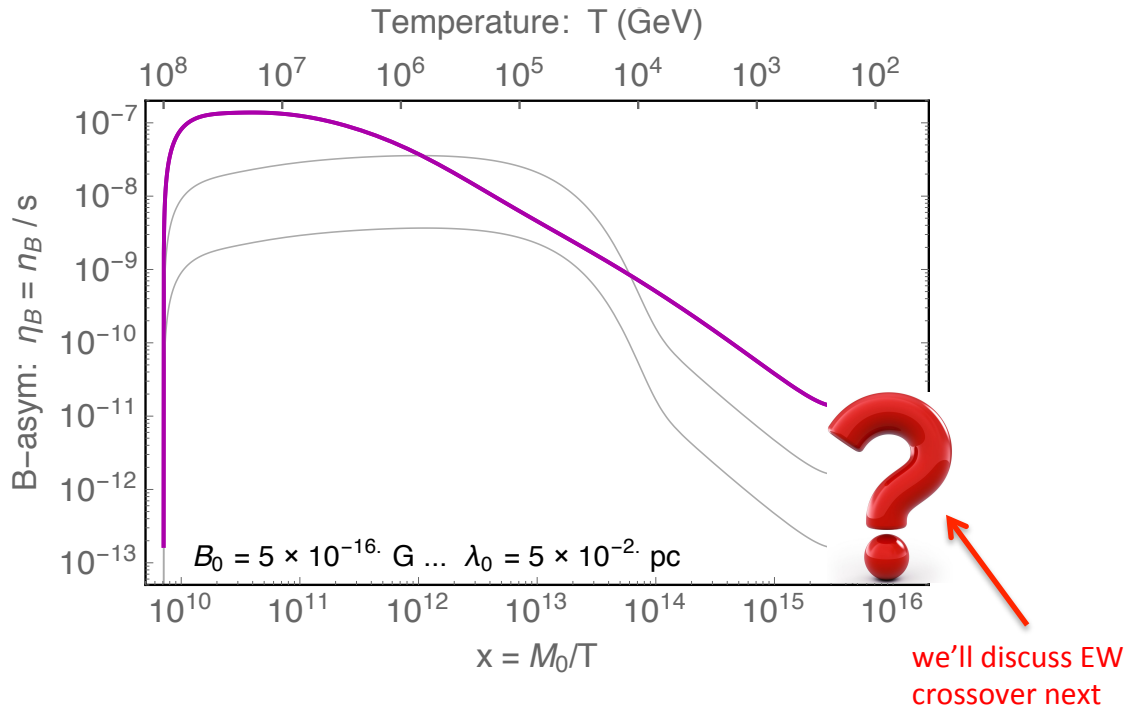
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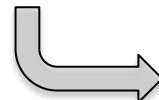


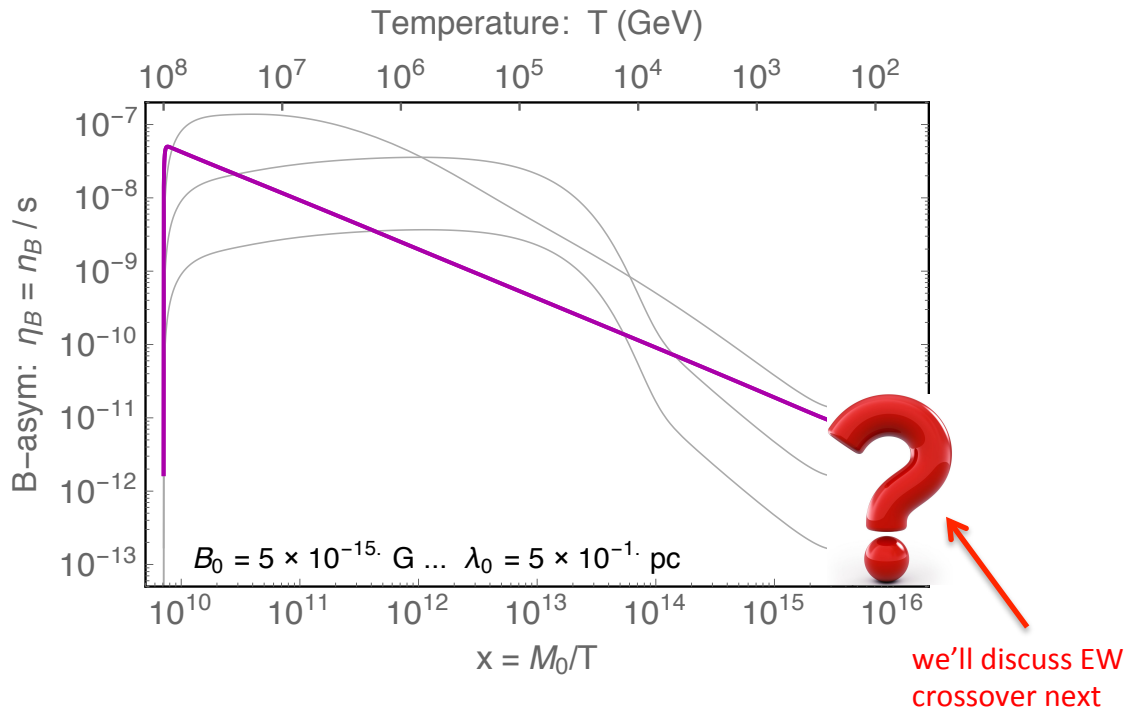
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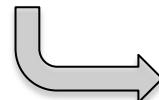


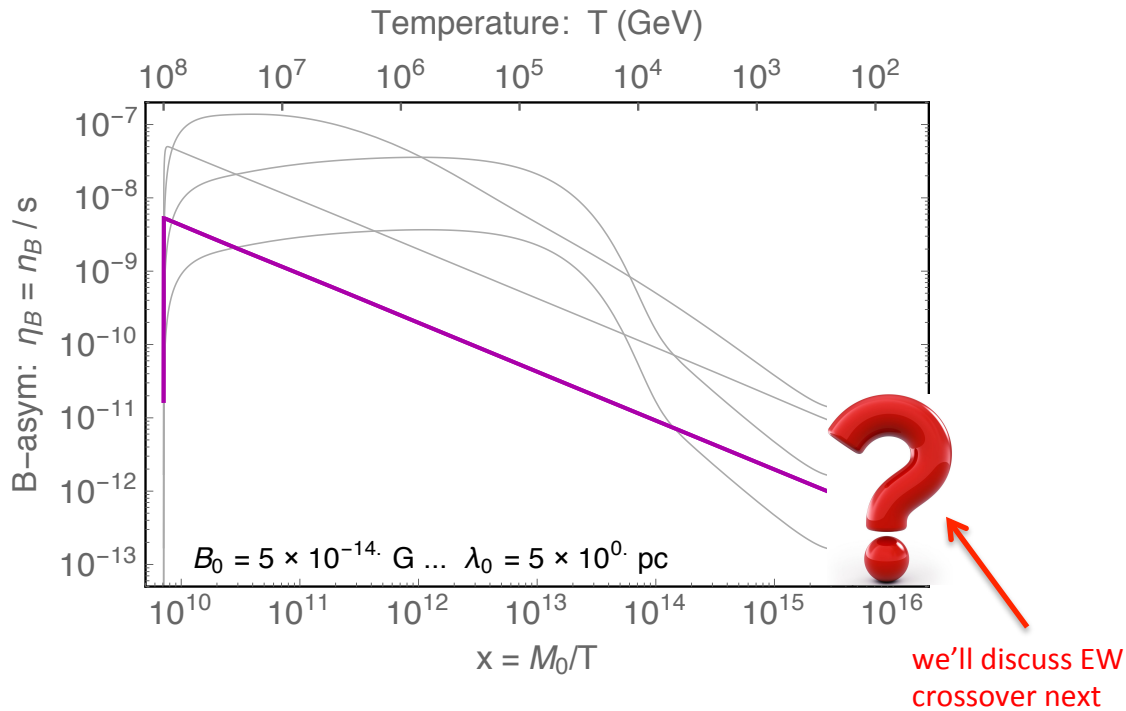
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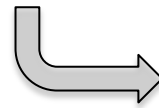


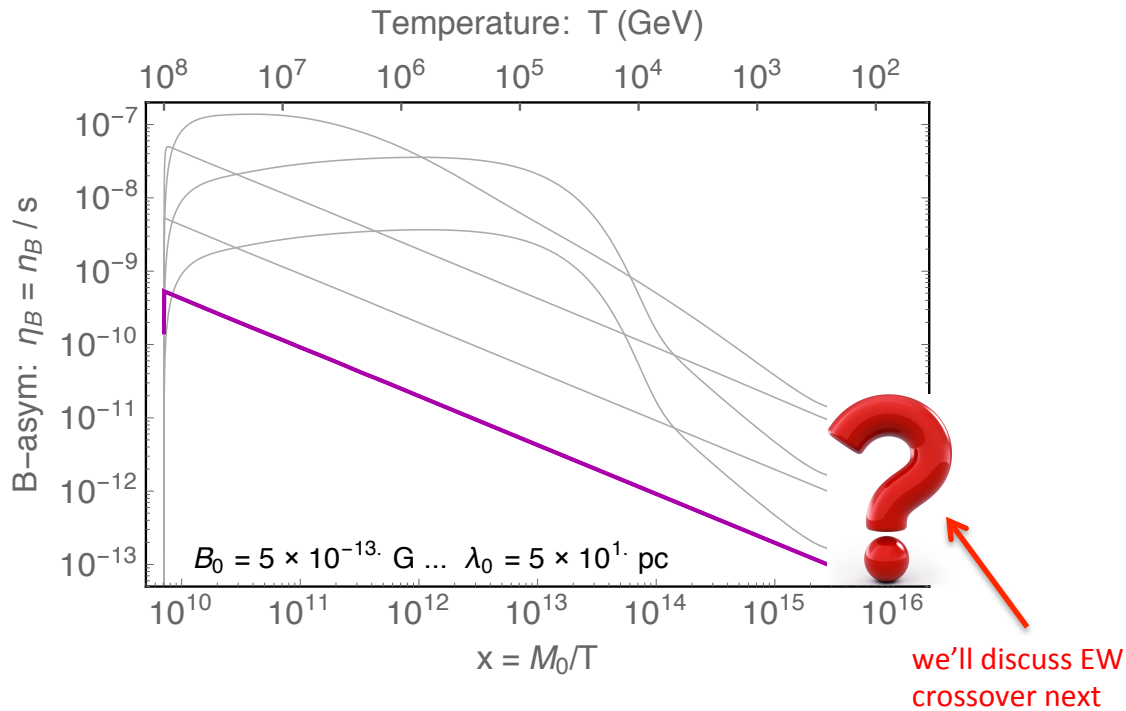
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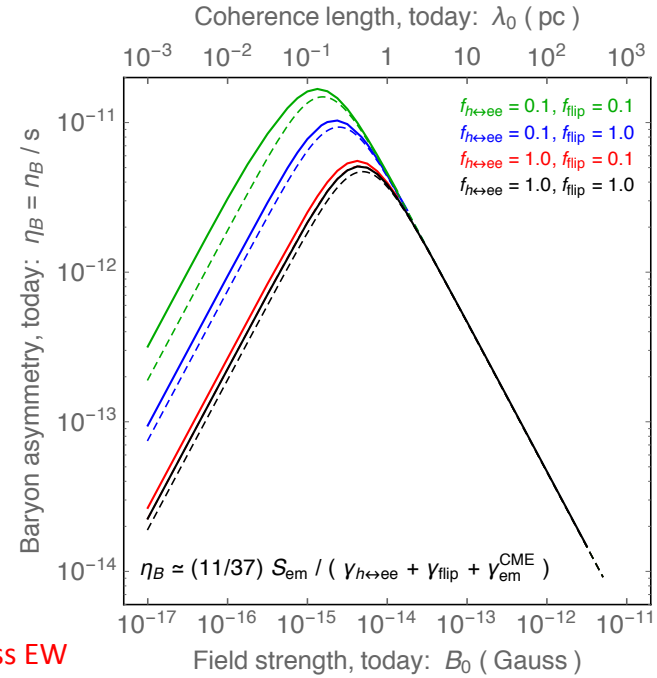
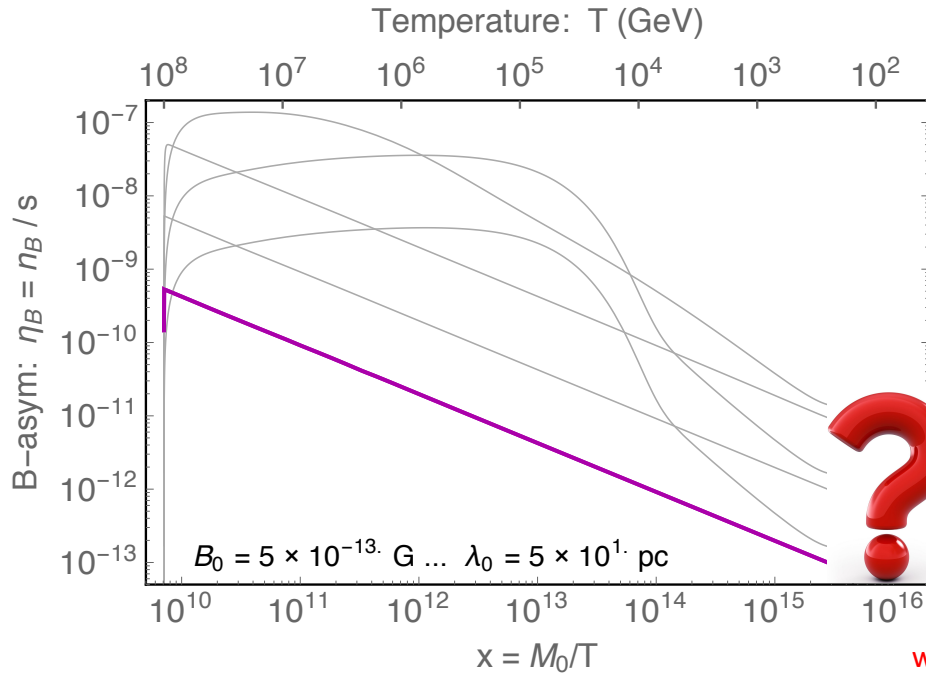
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Washout induced by chiral magnetic effect ... prevents η_B from reaching 10^{-10} for large B_0 . This behavior was overlooked in some previous studies. The CME cannot be neglected!

**What happens at
the EW
crossover?**

Evolution through EW Crossover

$$\frac{d}{dt}n_B = -\Gamma_{\text{sphaleron}} n_B + \mathcal{S}_{\text{hypermagnetic}}$$

At this time...

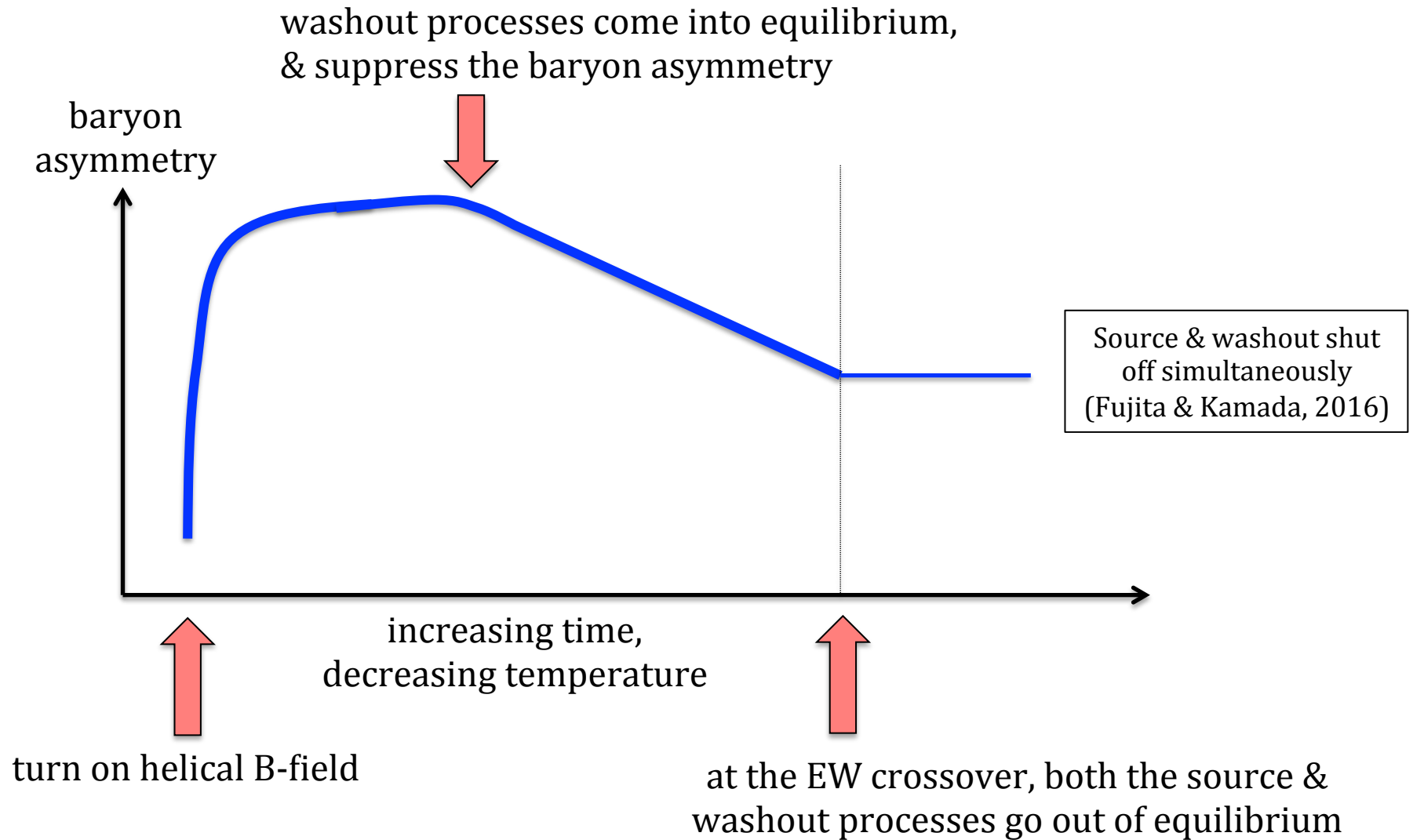
... the *source shuts off*, because the $U(1)_Y$ field is converted into a $U(1)_{\text{em}}$ field, which does not source B-number.

$$\partial j_B \sim W\tilde{W} - Y\tilde{Y} \neq F\tilde{F}$$

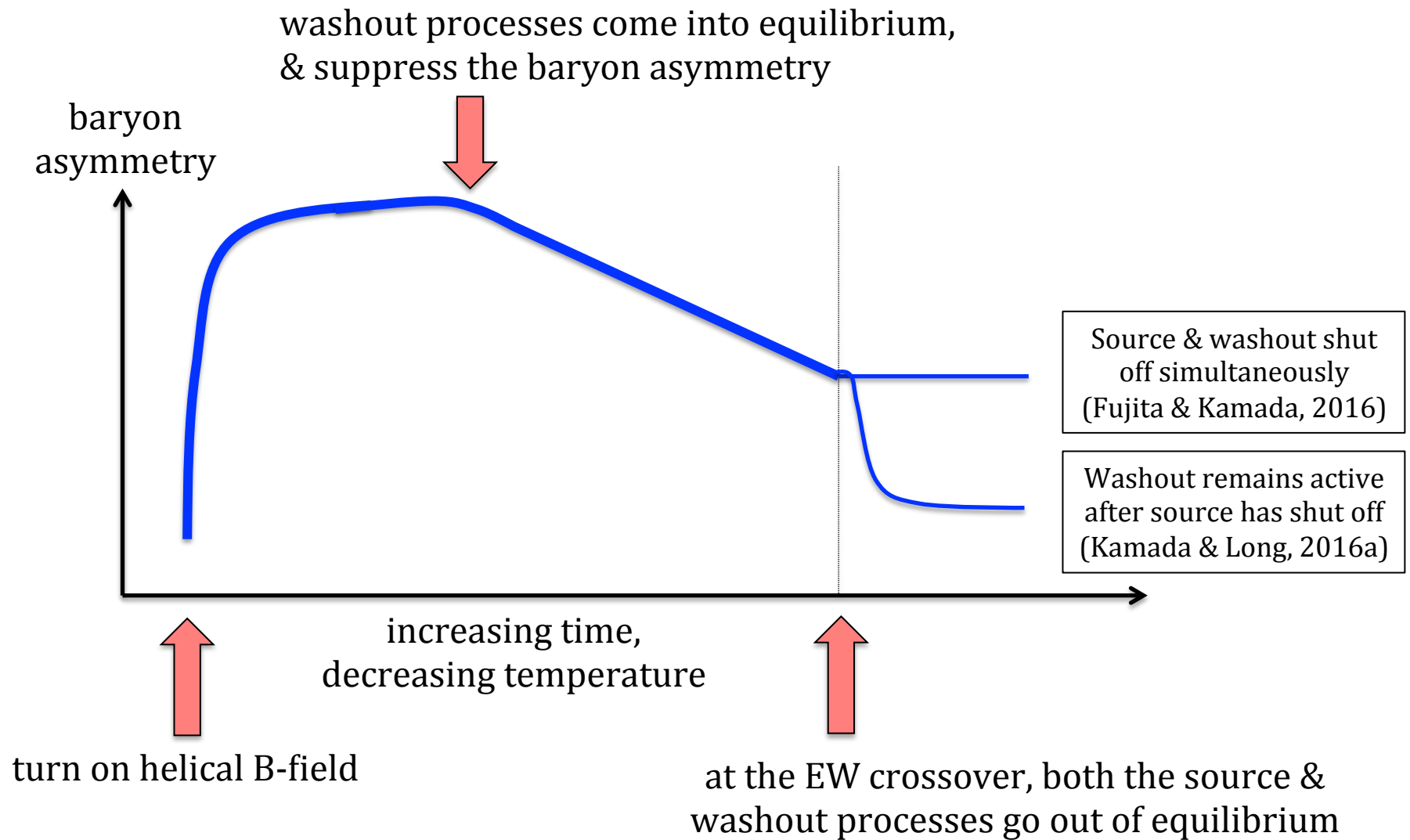
... the *washout shuts off*, because the W-boson mass grows, suppressing EW sphaleron transitions.

$$\Gamma_{\text{sph.}} \propto \exp\left[-\# M_W(T)/\alpha_W\right]$$

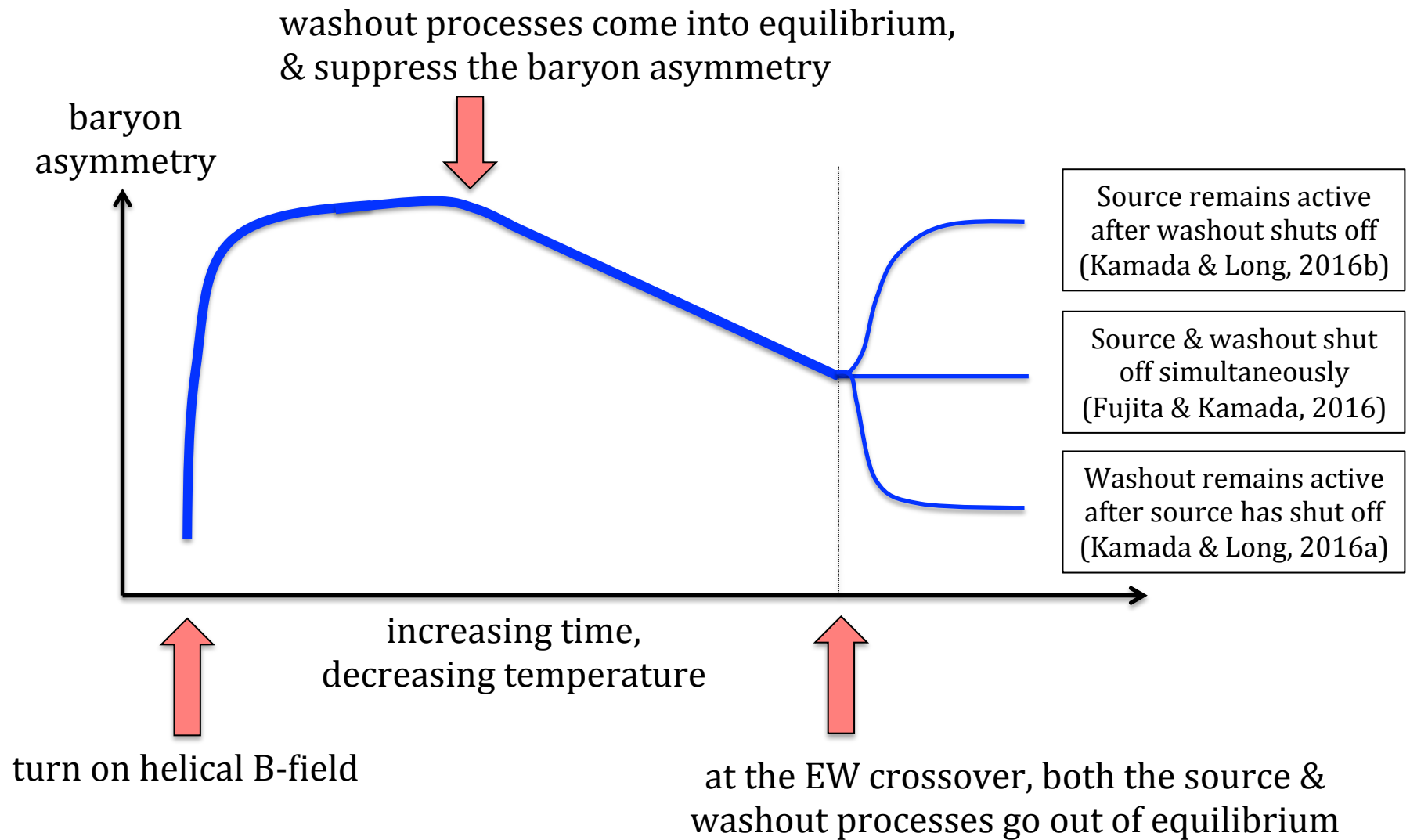
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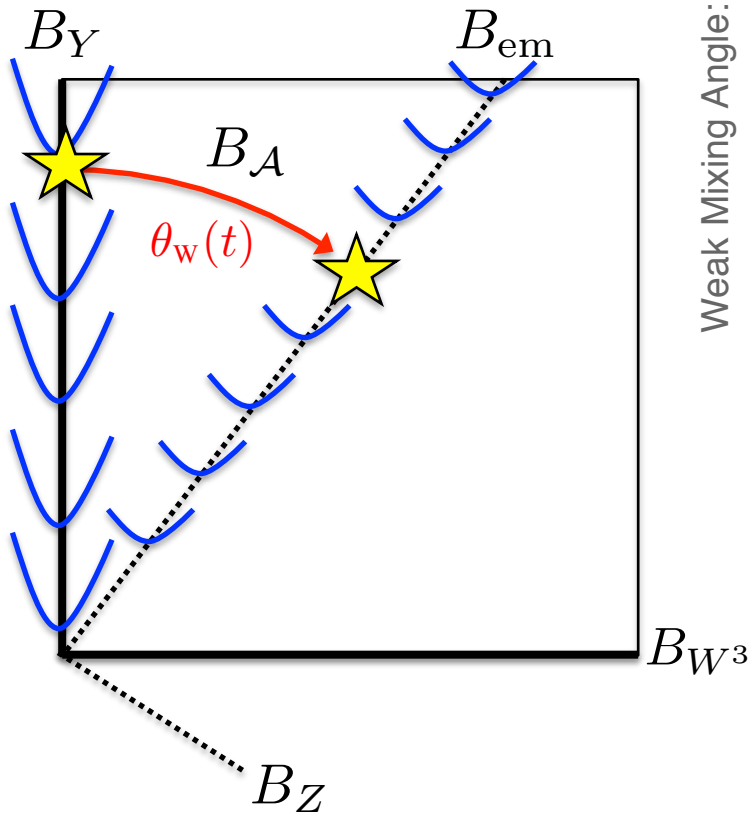


Model the $U(1)_Y$ to $U(1)_{em}$ conversion

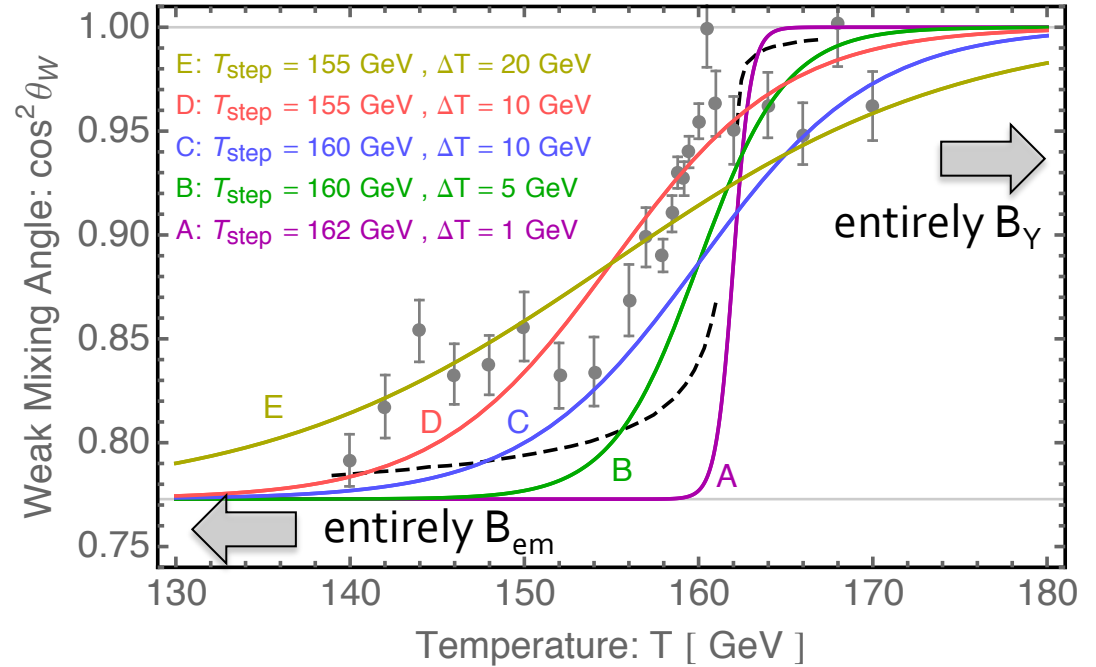
$$\langle W_\mu^1(x) \rangle = \langle W_\mu^2(x) \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle W_\mu^3(x) \rangle = \sin \theta_W(t) \mathcal{A}_\mu(x)$$

$$\langle Y_\mu(x) \rangle = \cos \theta_W(t) \mathcal{A}_\mu(x)$$



Z- γ mixing is proxy for B_Y to B_{em}

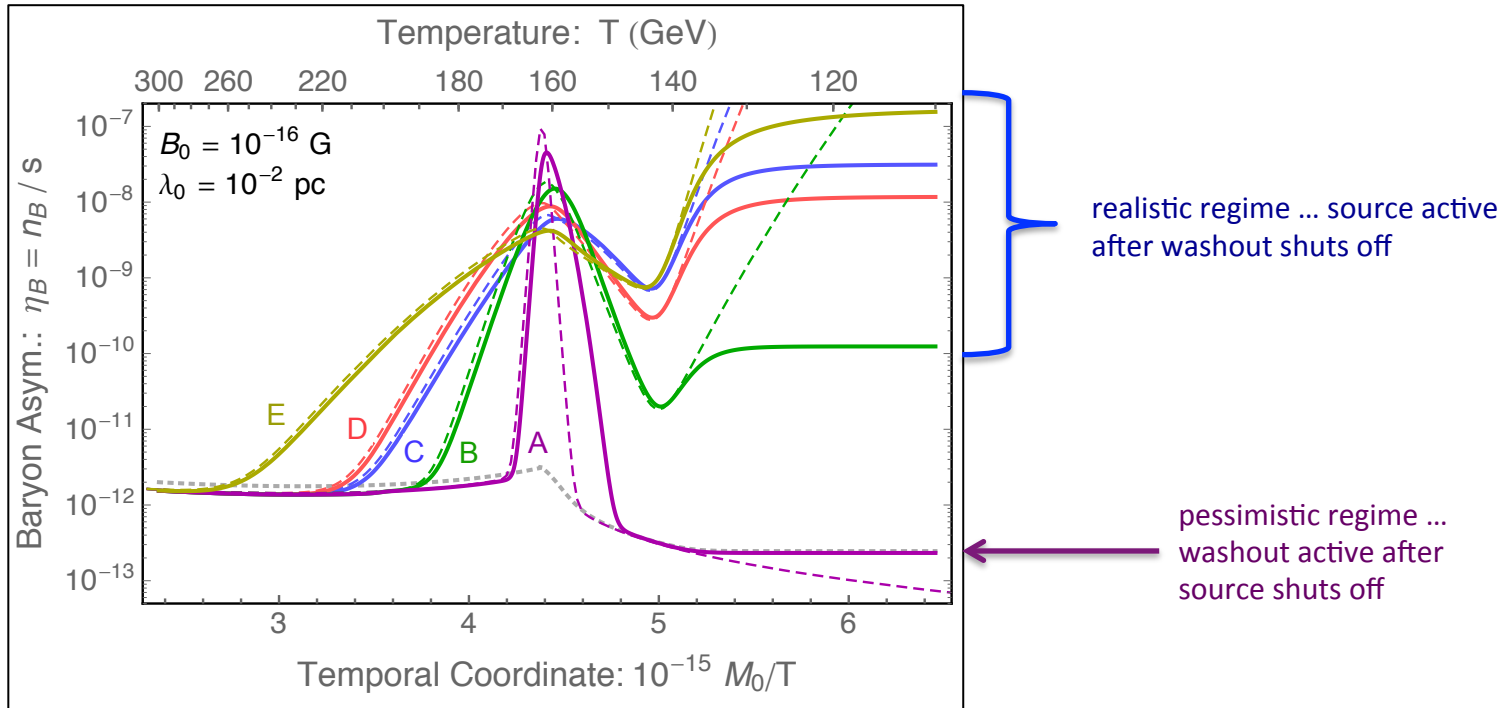


dots & error bars = lattice simulation from D'Onofrio & Rummukainen (2015).

black dashed = analytic approx. from Kajantie, Laine, Rummukainen, & Shaposhnikov (1996)

colored curves = we use tanh functions to model the crossover

BAU Evolution through EW Crossover



$$\eta_B^{\text{eq}} \approx \frac{11}{37} \frac{g'^2 \left(\cos^2 \theta_w \mathcal{S}_{\text{BdB}} + \frac{d\theta_w}{d \ln x} \sin 2\theta_w \mathcal{S}_{\text{AB}} \right)}{\frac{1}{2} (\gamma_{\text{Ehe}}^{11} + \gamma_{\nu\text{he}}^{11}) + \gamma_{\text{Ee}}^{11} + g'^4 \cos^4 \theta_w \gamma^{\text{CME}}}$$

$B \cdot \nabla \times B$

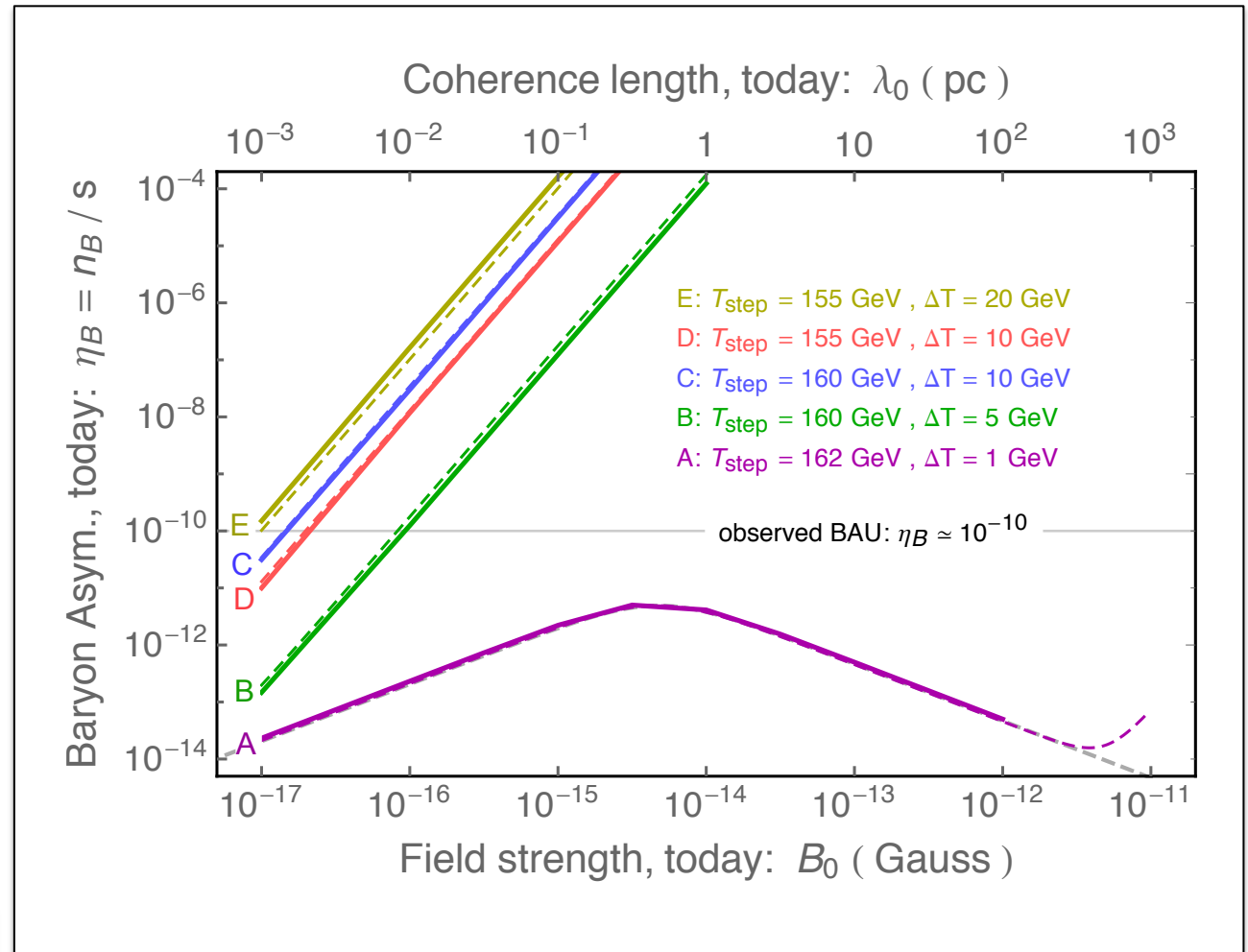
Result: Predicted Baryon Asymmetry

The conversion of $U(1)_Y$ B-field into $U(1)_{em}$ B-field at the EW crossover is not well-understood.

However, the relic baryon asymmetry depends sensitively on these details.

Consequently, the predicted baryon asymmetry is very uncertain.

Need to understand the crossover better!



Where to go from here?

Refinements:

Study conversion of magnetic fields at EW crossover

→ main message in this talk

Calculate helicity decay directly with MHD simulations

→ “not difficult” to implement

Implications & Applications:

Study baryogenesis from axion inflation (etc.) self-consistently

→ Various studies: Anber & Sabancilar (2015); Cado & Sabancilar (2016); Jimenez, Kamada, Schmitz, & Xu (2017)

Observation side – develop new probes of relic (helical) magnetic fields

→ E.g., using cascade halos around TeV blazars

Study “dark” magnetic field (hidden sector U1) and /or dark matter production

→ E.g., Cado & Sabancilar (2016)

Executive Summary

In this talk, I'm going to ...

... assume that a helical magnetic field was created in the early universe prior to the EW epoch. (e.g., arises naturally in axion inflation)

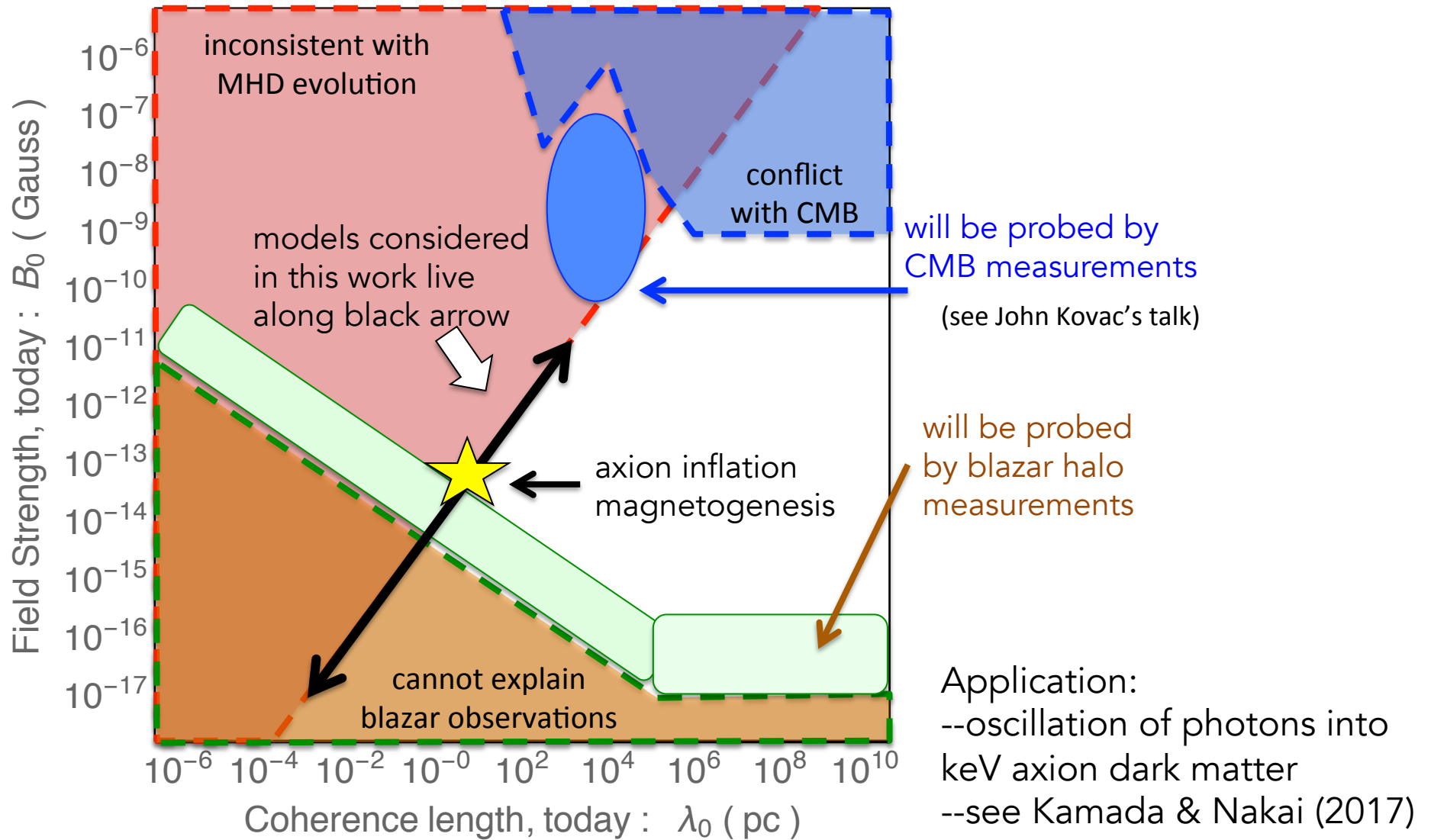
... show that the decaying helicity of this field gives rise to a baryon asymmetry through the Standard Model B+L anomaly (builds on earlier work by Joyce, Shaposhnikov, Giovannini, Bamba, Geng, Ho, ...)

... calculate the evolution of the magnetic field and baryon asymmetry from magnetogenesis until today, while paying particular attention to the EW crossover (this is my work with Kohei Kamada; see also Fujita & Kamada, 2016)

... conclude that the predicted relic baryon asymmetry suffers from a large theoretical uncertainty, because we don't understand well how magnetic fields behave at the EW crossover (even though this is just SM physics!)

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Implications & Applications



(figure adapted from Durrer & Neronov, 2013)

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Magnetic Field Scaling Law

Comoving quantities: $\tilde{B}(\tau) = a(t)^2 B_p(t)$ $\tilde{\lambda}(\tau) = a(t)^{-1} \lambda_B(t)$

Adiabatic evolution after recombination: $\tilde{B}_{\text{rec}} = B_0$ $\tilde{\lambda}_{\text{rec}} = \lambda_0$

Coherence length tracks eddy scale: $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{\lambda}(\tau) = C v_A(\tau) \tau \\ v_A(\tau) = c / \sqrt{1 + (\rho + P)/(2P_m)} \propto \tilde{B}(\tau) \\ P_m(\tau) = \tilde{B}(\tau)^2 / 2 \end{array} \right.$

Helicity is quasi-conserved: $\tilde{\lambda} \tilde{B}^2 = \tilde{\lambda}_{\text{rec}} \tilde{B}_{\text{rec}}^2$ $H \sim \lambda B^2$ for maximally helical field

Solution: $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} B_p = (a/a_0)^{-2} (\tau/\tau_{\text{rec}})^{-1/3} B_0 \\ \lambda_B = (a/a_0) (\tau/\tau_{\text{rec}})^{2/3} \lambda_0 \end{array} \right.$ “inverse cascade”

Baryogenesis without (B-L)?

Recall that $(B-L) = 0$ at all times! But, Kuzmin, Rubakov, & Shaposhnikov ('85) taught us that $B \rightarrow 0$ and $L \rightarrow 0$ in equilibrium. **How is washout avoided?**

In the **symmetric phase** ($T > 160$ GeV), the EW sphaleron tries to drive $(B+L)$ to zero, but the $U(1)_Y$ field sources $(B+L)$ and prevents $B, L \rightarrow 0$.

$$\partial j_B \sim W\tilde{W} - Y\tilde{Y}$$

In the **broken phase** ($T < 160$ GeV), the EW sphaleron remains in equilibrium until $T \sim 140$ GeV. Since the $U(1)_{em}$ field doesn't source B-number (because, vector-like interactions), why doesn't B-number washout? ... The $U(1)_{em}$ field sources chiral charge (like in QED) and prevents B-washout in the R-chiral fermions.

toy model	$\frac{d\eta_L}{dx} = -\gamma_{\text{sph}}\eta_L + \gamma_{\text{flip}}(\eta_R - \eta_L) - \mathcal{S}_{em}$ $\frac{d\eta_R}{dx} = -\gamma_{\text{flip}}(\eta_R - \eta_L) + \mathcal{S}_{em}$	}	→	$\eta_{L,\text{eq}} = 0$ $\eta_{R,\text{eq}} = \frac{\mathcal{S}_{em}}{\gamma_{\text{flip}}}$
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