

ORIGIN OF NONTOPOLOGICAL SOLITON DARK MATTER

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MOTIVATION

Dark matter could be complex, even in simple theories!

With attractive interactions, DM could form large/heavy structures:

- Nontopological solitons (of bosons or fermions) [this talk]
- Dark nuclei [Wise Zhang 1407.4121, 1411.1772; Gresham Lou Zurek 1707.02313, 1707.02316, 1805.04512]
- Dark quark nuggets [Bai Long 1804.10249; Bai Long Lu 1810.04360; Liang Zhitnitsky 1606.00435]
- Dark monopoles [Bai Korwar NO 2005.00503]
- Dark/mirror stars [Curtin Setford 1909.04071, 1909.04072; +many follow-ups]
- Boson or axion stars
- Microhalos, dark disks, dissipative DM...
- ...many of which could form black holes
(Even “light” extremal black holes could be stable [Bai NO 1906.04858; Bai Berger Korwar NO 2007.03703])

MOTIVATION

Nontopological solitons (NTSs):

1. Representative model for several types of dark compact objects.
2. Require minimal new fields.
Scalar NTSs are generic with *just one* new complex scalar field!

Long history of study:

Early work: [Rosen 1968; Friedberg Lee Sirlin 1976; Coleman 1986].

In SUSY: [Kusenko hep-ph/9704273; Kusenko Shaposhnikov hep-ph/9709492].

With gauge [Lee Stein-Schabes Watkins Widrow 1989; Gulamov Nugaev Panin Smolyakov 1506.05786; Brihaye Cisterna Hartmann Luchini 1511.02757; Heek Rajaraman Riley Verhaaren 2103.06905, 2107.10280]

or topological [Bai Lu **NO** 2111.10360] charge.

Fermion solitons: [Lee Pang 1987; Macpherson Campbell hep-ph/9408387; Hong Jong Xie 2008.04430]

Other works: [Kusenko hep-ph/9704073; Dvali Kusenko Shaposhnikov hep-ph/9707423; Kusenko Shaposhnikov Tinyakov hep-th/9801041; Berkooz Chung Volansky hep-ph/0507218; Bishara Johnson Lennon March-Russell 1708.04620; Heek Rajaraman Riley Verhaaren 2009.08462]

Reviews: [Lee Pang 1992; Nugaev Shkerin 1905.05146]

MOTIVATION & OUTLINE

Questions about NTSs:

- How do they form?
- How big can they get?
- Can they dominate the dark sector?

Outline:

1. Models and properties of scalar NTSs (aka Q-balls)
2. Solitosynthesis
3. Phase transitions
4. Interplay with magnetic monopoles

NTS MODELS AND PROPERTIES



Q-BALLS

Q-balls appear when the potential for a complex scalar field satisfies
[Coleman 1986]

$$\frac{dV}{d|\phi|} = 0, \quad m_\phi^2 \equiv \left. \frac{d^2V}{d\phi d\phi^*} \right|_{\phi=0} > 0,$$

$V(|\phi|)/|\phi|^2$ has a minimum at $|\phi| = \phi_0/\sqrt{2} > 0$

$$0 \leq \frac{\sqrt{2V(\phi_0/\sqrt{2})}}{\phi_0} < m_\phi.$$

For a single-field model, a nonrenormalizable potential is required to satisfy this. A simple model is:

$$V(\phi) = m_\phi^2 |\phi|^2 - \beta |\phi|^4 + \frac{\xi}{m_\phi^2} |\phi|^6$$

Let's construct a renormalizable multi-field model and see how the solutions work.

Q-BALLS

Two-complex-scalar renormalizable potential:

$$V(S, \phi) = \frac{1}{4} \lambda_\phi (|\phi|^2 - v^2)^2 + \frac{1}{4} \lambda_{\phi S} |S|^2 |\phi|^2 + \lambda_S |S|^4 + m_{S,0}^2 |S|^2$$

S : $U(1)_S$ global symmetry—**Q-ball constituents**

ϕ : Any global or gauge symmetry. Here a global $U(1)_\phi$ for simplicity.

- Could even be the Higgs doublet [Pontón Bai Jain 1906.10739]

EQUATIONS OF MOTION

Use dimensionless rescaling of fields, with time-dependent phase for S :

$$\phi = v f(r), \quad S = e^{-i\omega t} \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} s(r)$$

Classical EOM:

$$f'' + \frac{2}{\bar{r}} f' - \lambda_\phi f (f^2 - 1) - \frac{1}{4} \lambda_{\phi S} s^2 f = 0,$$
$$s'' + \frac{2}{\bar{r}} s' + \Omega^2 s - \frac{1}{4} \lambda_{\phi S} f^2 s - \lambda_S s^3 - \mu_0^2 s = 0,$$

$$U_{\text{eff}} = \Omega^2 s^2 / 2 - V(s, f)$$

Boundary conditions:

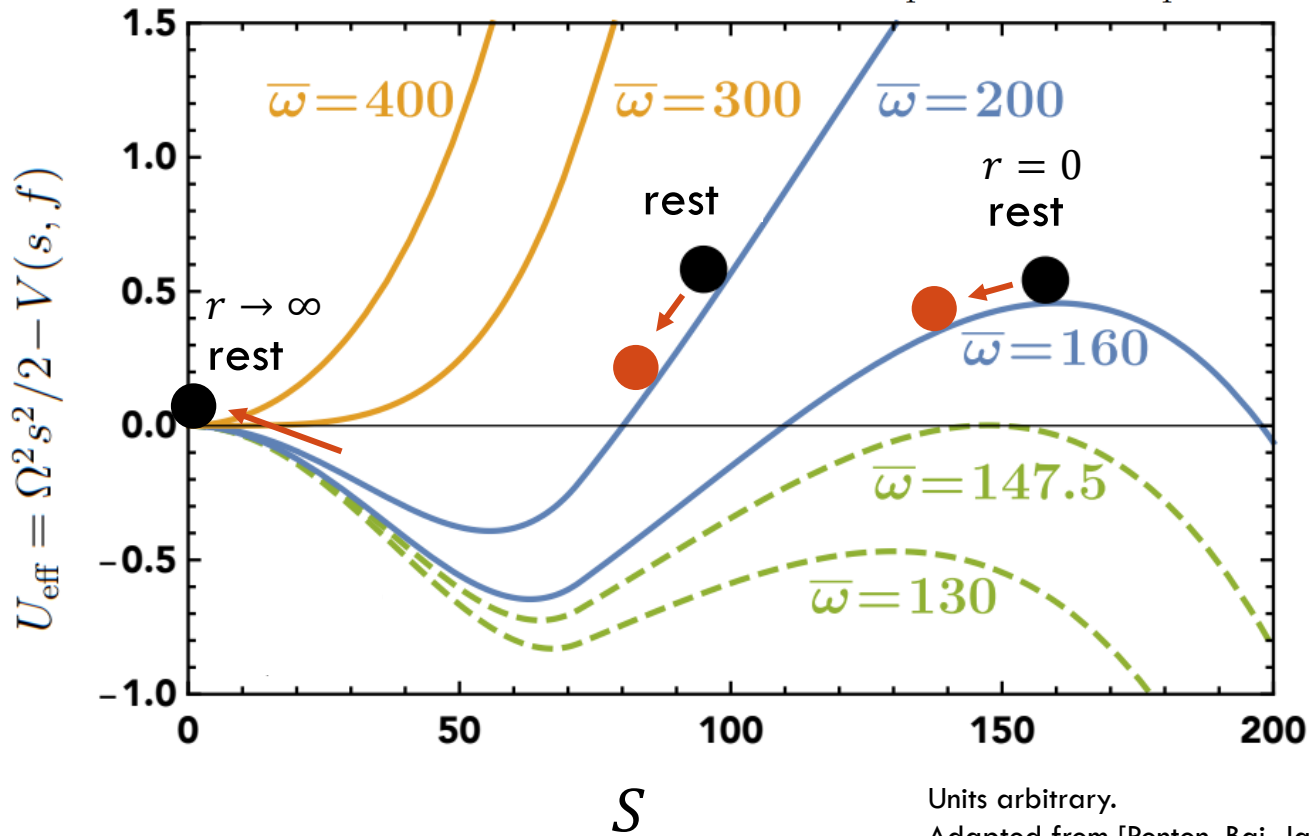
$$f'(0) = 0, \quad f(\infty) = 1, \quad s'(0) = 0, \quad s(\infty) = 0$$

Rescalings:

$$\bar{r} = v r \quad \Omega = \omega / v \quad \mu_0 = m_{S,0} / v$$

EFFECTIVE POTENTIAL

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Conditions for field to roll and come to rest at $S = 0$:

$$\bar{\Omega}^2 \equiv \Omega^2 - \mu_0^2 < \frac{\lambda_{\phi S}}{4}$$

$$\bar{\Omega}^4 > \bar{\Omega}_c^4 \equiv \lambda_S \lambda_\phi$$

MASS & CHARGE

Once a solution is determined, its mass and charge are calculated by:

$$Q = i \int d^3x (S^\dagger \partial_t S - S \partial_t S^\dagger) = 4\pi \Omega \int_0^\infty d\bar{r} \bar{r}^2 s^2$$

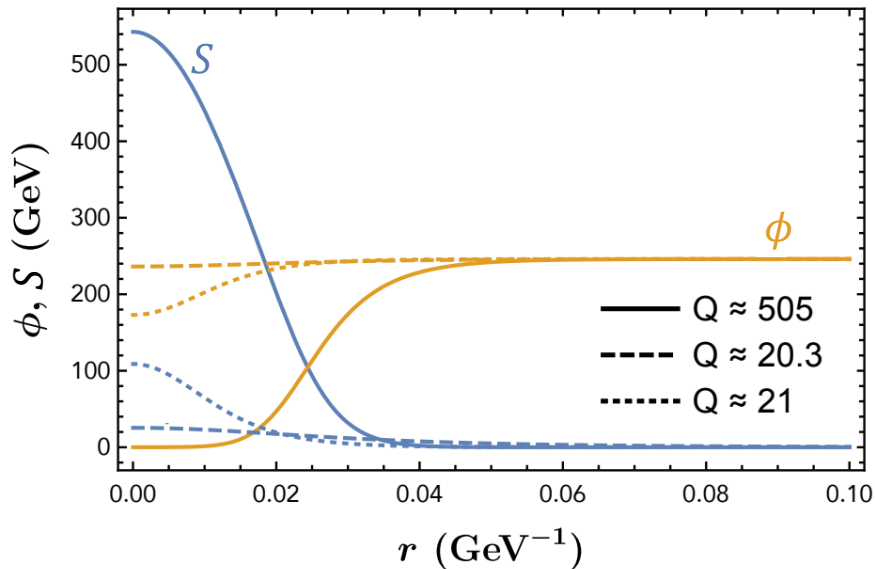
$$m_Q/v = 4\pi \int d\bar{r} \bar{r}^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} s'^2 + f'^2 + \frac{1}{2} \Omega^2 s^2 + \frac{1}{8} \lambda_{\phi S} s^2 f^2 + \frac{1}{4} \lambda_\phi (1 - f^2)^2 + \frac{1}{4} \lambda_S s^4 + \frac{1}{2} m_{S,0}^2 s^2 \right)$$

FIELD PROFILES

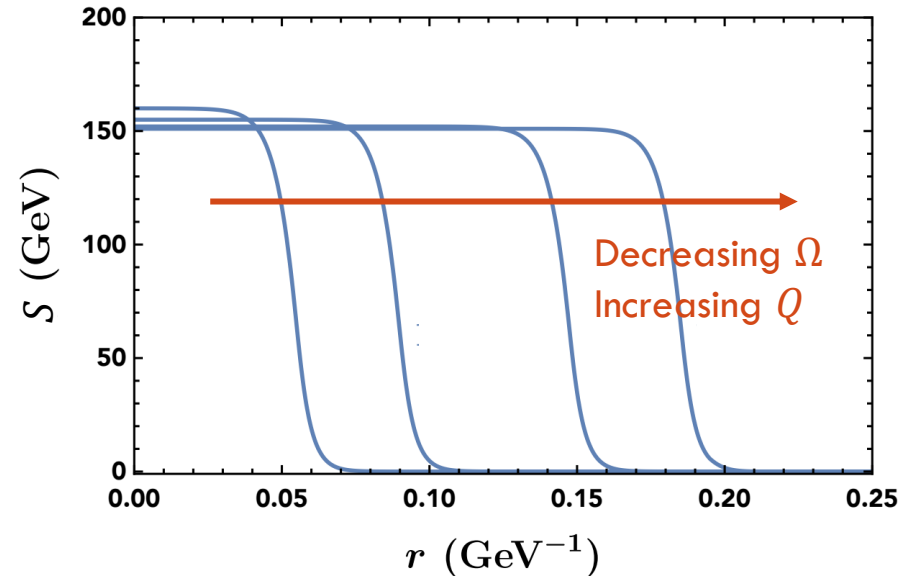
Valid approx at small Q .
Unphysical due to radiative corrections.

$$\lambda_S = 0$$

$$\lambda_S > 0$$



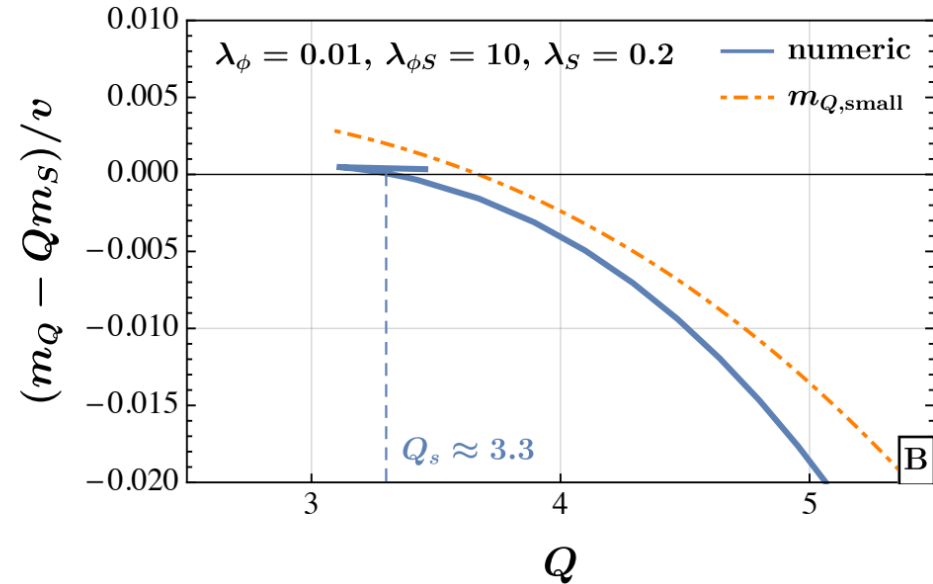
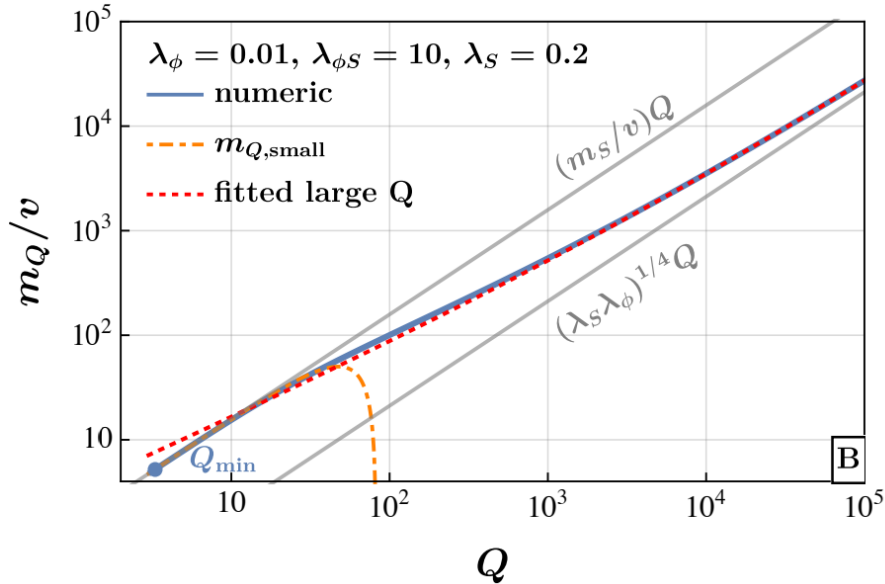
“Building up”



“Building out”

Trade-off of increased vacuum energy for ϕ and decreased mass for S inside Q-ball.

MASS AND STABILITY



$$m_{Q,\text{large}} \approx v Q \left[(\lambda_S \lambda_\phi)^{1/4} + c_2 Q^{-1/3} \right],$$

$$R_{Q,\text{large}} \approx \frac{3^{1/3} \lambda_S^{1/12}}{(4\pi)^{1/3} \lambda_\phi^{1/4} v} Q^{1/3}.$$

$$m_{Q,\text{small}} \approx \left(\frac{1}{2} \lambda_{\phi S}^{1/2} + \lambda_\phi \lambda_{\phi S}^{-1/2} \right) v Q - \frac{(\pi^2 - 9)}{2048 \pi^2 (\pi^2 - 6)^3} \lambda_{\phi S}^{5/2} v Q^3.$$

$$R_{Q,\text{small}} \approx 64\pi(\pi^2 - 6) / (\lambda_{\phi S}^{3/2} v Q).$$

OTHER MODELS

Call prior model with $\lambda_S > 0$ “Model B.”

Will compare to “Model A” used in previous literature—very similar but no self-quartic term for S :

$$V(S, \sigma) = \frac{1}{8}\lambda(\sigma^2 - \sigma_0^2)^2 + \frac{1}{3}\lambda_2\sigma_0(\sigma - \sigma_0)^3 + \frac{m_S^2}{(\sigma_- - \sigma_0)^2}|S|^2(\sigma - \sigma_0)^2 + \Lambda,$$

$$\lambda_2 = 0.15\lambda$$

$$m_Q = 5.15\sigma_0\lambda^{1/4}Q^{3/4},$$

$$R_Q = 0.8\lambda^{-1/4}\sigma_0^{-1}Q^{1/4}$$

$$m_S = 5.15\sigma_0\lambda^{1/4}Q_{\min}^{-1/4}$$

Q-BALL INTERACTIONS

$$\begin{array}{l}
 S + S^\dagger \leftrightarrow \phi + \phi^\dagger, \quad S \text{ annihilation} \\
 (Q) + S \leftrightarrow (Q + 1) + X, \\
 (Q) + S^\dagger \leftrightarrow (Q - 1) + X, \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} (Q) + S \\ (Q) + S^\dagger \end{array}} \right\} \text{Q-ball charge/discharge} \\
 (Q_{\min}) + S^\dagger \leftrightarrow \underbrace{S + S + \dots + S}_{Q_{\min} - 1} + X. \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} (Q) + S \\ (Q) + S^\dagger \\ (Q_{\min}) + S^\dagger \end{array}} \right\} S \text{ fusion/Q-ball destruction} \\
 (Q_1) + (Q_2) \leftrightarrow (Q_1 + Q_2) + X, \\
 (Q_1) + (-Q_2) \leftrightarrow \begin{cases} (Q_1 - Q_2) + X & \text{for } Q_1 - Q_2 \geq Q_{\min}, \\ \underbrace{S + S + \dots + S}_{Q_1 - Q_2} + X & \text{for } Q_{\min} > Q_1 - Q_2 \geq 0. \end{cases} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} (Q_1) + (Q_2) \\ (Q_1) + (-Q_2) \end{array}} \right\} \text{Q-ball fusion}
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Not efficient for sufficiently large Q

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Q-BALL INTERACTIONS

For Q-ball fusion, compare interaction rate to Hubble:

$$\Gamma = n_Q \sigma v_{\text{rel}} \sim n_Q \pi R^2 \sqrt{T/m_Q}$$

Assuming Q-balls make up all dark matter (a generous assumption at intermediate scales during solitosynthesis) and $T \sim v$ or σ_0

$$Q \lesssim 2 \times 10^3 (\sigma_0 / 10^3 \text{ GeV})^{-16/5} \quad \text{Model A}$$
$$6 \times 10^4 (v / 10^3 \text{ GeV})^{-12/5} \quad \text{Model B}$$

for fusion to be important.

SOLITOSYNTHESIS



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The process of building up NTSs from free particle fusion and accumulation.

Prior work:

[[Griest Kolb 1989](#); Frieman Olinto Gleiser Alcock 1989; Kusenko Shaposhnikov hep-ph/9709492; Postma hep-ph/0110199; Gresham Lou Zurek 1707.02316]

MAXIMUM CHARGE IN EQUILIBRIUM

Upper limit on Q-ball charge:

$$\tau_{Q_{\min} \rightarrow Q_{\max}} = \sum_{Q=Q_{\min}}^{Q_{\max}} \frac{1}{n_S (\sigma v_{\text{rel}})_Q} \lesssim H^{-1}$$

With an initial asymmetry η , charge-up exceeds charge-down at sufficiently small $T < m_S$.

IN EQUILIBRIUM

Equilibrium number densities:

$$n_i^{\text{eq}} = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} T m_i^2 \exp(\mu_i/T) K_2(m_i/T),$$

Chemical potential relationship:

$$\mu_{S^\dagger} = -\mu_S,$$

$$\mu_Q = Q \mu_S,$$

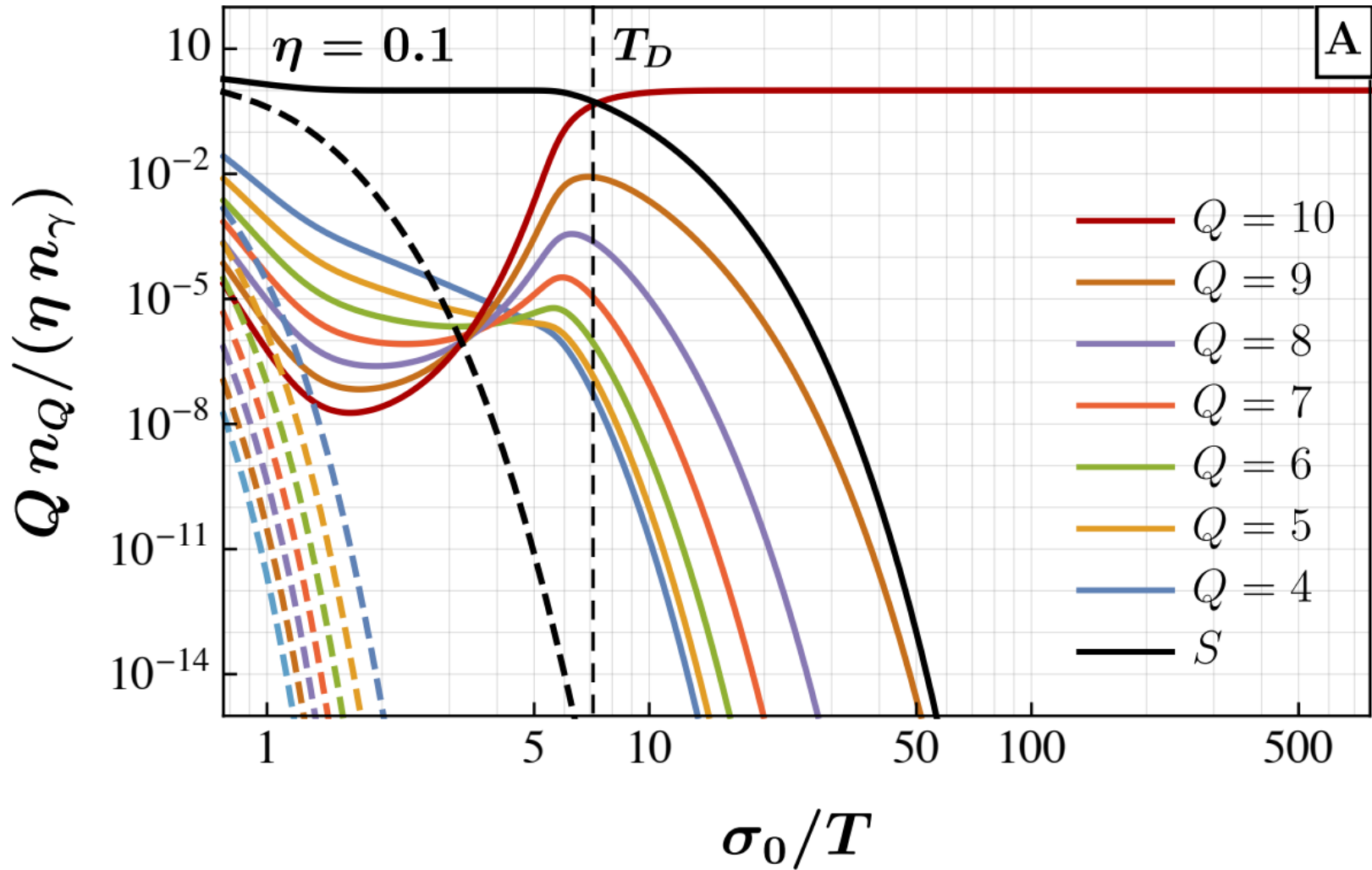
$$\mu_{-Q} = -\mu_Q.$$

Defines a single chemical potential $\mu \equiv \mu_S$, which is determined by

$$Z_S - Z_{S^\dagger} + \sum_{Q=Q_{\min}}^{Q_{\max}} Q (Z_Q - Z_{-Q}) = 1.$$

$$Z_i \equiv n_i / (\eta n_\gamma)$$

IN EQUILIBRIUM



IN EQUILIBRIUM

What charge dominates at low temperature?

$$m_Q = m_1 Q^p$$

$$r = \frac{(Q+1)n_{Q+1}}{Q n_Q} = \left(\frac{Q+1}{Q}\right)^{\frac{3p}{2}+1} \exp\left(\frac{m_Q - m_{Q+1} + \mu}{T}\right)$$

For $p < 1$, Q_{\max} dominates:

$$r \xrightarrow{Q \rightarrow \infty} e^{\mu/T} > 1$$

For $p = 1$, a low to intermediate charge dominates:

$$\frac{dr}{dQ} = \frac{2p m_1 (Q^p(Q+1) - (Q+1)^p Q) - (2+3p)T}{2Q^2 T} \left(\frac{Q+1}{Q}\right)^{3p/2} \exp\left(\frac{m_Q - m_{Q+1} + \mu}{T}\right) < 0$$

IN EQUILIBRIUM

Analytic estimate of *charge-domination* temperature T_D :

$$Z_S \approx Q_{\max} Z_{Q_{\max}} \approx 1/2$$

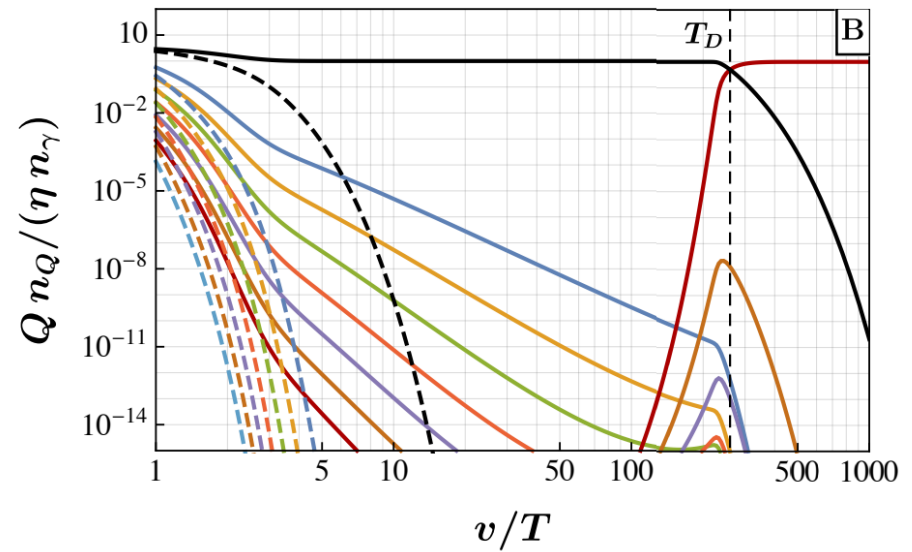
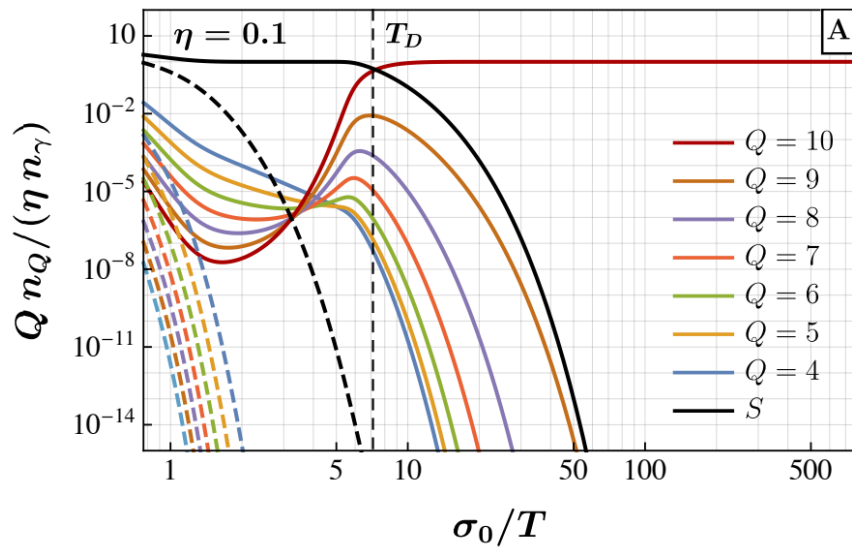
$$B_{Q_{\max}} = Q_{\max} m_S - m_Q$$

$$T_D = \frac{B_{Q_{\max}}}{\log \left\{ \frac{1}{Q_{\max}} \left[\frac{2}{\eta c_\gamma} \left(\frac{m_S}{2\pi T_D} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \right]^{Q_{\max}-1} \left(\frac{m_S}{m_{Q_{\max}}} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \right\}}$$

$$\xrightarrow{Q_{\max} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{m_S - m_{Q_{\max}}/Q_{\max}}{\log \left\{ \frac{2}{\eta c_\gamma} \left(\frac{m_S}{2\pi T_D} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \right\}}$$

No Q_{\max} dependence
for $p \leq 1$

IN EQUILIBRIUM



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Analytic estimate of *energy-density-domination* temperature T_ρ :

$$n_{Q_{\max}} \simeq \eta n_\gamma / Q_{\max}$$

$$\mu \simeq \frac{1}{Q_{\max}} \left(m_{Q_{\max}} + T \log \left[\frac{\eta c_\gamma}{Q_{\max}} \left(\frac{2\pi T}{m_{Q_{\max}}} \right)^{3/2} \right] \right), \quad T < T_D$$

Solving for $\rho_S = \rho_{Q_{\max}}$

$$T_\rho \xrightarrow{Q_{\max} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{m_S - m_{Q_{\max}}/Q_{\max}}{\log \left[\frac{Q_{\max} m_S}{m_{Q_{\max}}} \frac{1}{\eta c_\gamma} \left(\frac{m_S}{2\pi T_\rho} \right)^{3/2} \right]}$$

FREEZE OUT

Boltzmann equations:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{n}_Q + 3Hn_Q = & -\delta_{Q,Q_{\min}}(\sigma v_{\text{rel}})_{Q_{\min}} \left(n_{Q_{\min}} n_{S^\dagger} - n_{Q_{\min}}^{\text{eq}} n_{S^\dagger}^{\text{eq}} \left(\frac{n_S}{n_S^{\text{eq}}} \right)^{Q_{\min}-1} \right) \\ & - (1 - \delta_{Q,Q_{\max}})(\sigma v_{\text{rel}})_Q \left(n_Q n_S - n_Q^{\text{eq}} n_S^{\text{eq}} \left(\frac{n_{Q+1}}{n_{Q+1}^{\text{eq}}} \right) \right) \\ & + (1 - \delta_{Q,Q_{\min}})(\sigma v_{\text{rel}})_{Q-1} \left(n_{Q-1} n_S - n_{Q-1}^{\text{eq}} n_S^{\text{eq}} \left(\frac{n_Q}{n_Q^{\text{eq}}} \right) \right) \\ & - (1 - \delta_{Q,Q_{\min}})(\sigma v_{\text{rel}})_Q \left(n_Q n_{S^\dagger} - n_Q^{\text{eq}} n_{S^\dagger}^{\text{eq}} \left(\frac{n_{Q-1}}{n_{Q-1}^{\text{eq}}} \right) \right) \\ & + (1 - \delta_{Q,Q_{\max}})(\sigma v_{\text{rel}})_{Q+1} \left(n_{Q+1} n_{S^\dagger} - n_{Q+1}^{\text{eq}} n_{S^\dagger}^{\text{eq}} \left(\frac{n_Q}{n_Q^{\text{eq}}} \right) \right)\end{aligned}$$

FREEZE OUT

Summed Boltzmann equations:

$$\dot{n}_{\text{NTS}} + 3H n_{\text{NTS}} = -(\sigma v_{\text{rel}})_{Q_{\text{min}}} \left(n_{Q_{\text{min}}} n_{S^\dagger} - n_{Q_{\text{min}}}^{\text{eq}} n_{S^\dagger}^{\text{eq}} \left(\frac{n_S}{n_S^{\text{eq}}} \right)^{Q_{\text{min}}-1} \right)$$

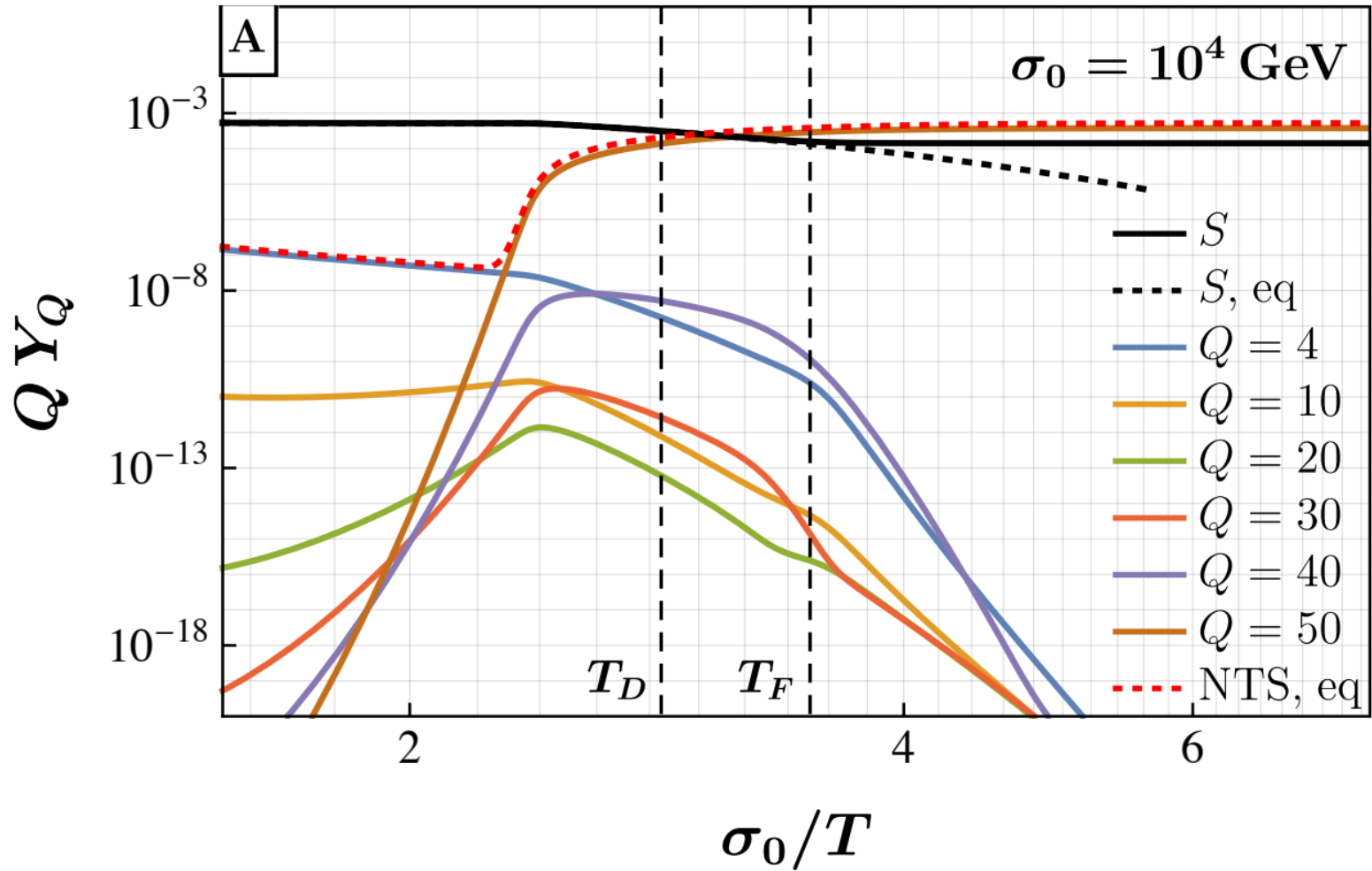
$$n_{\text{NTS}} \equiv \sum_{Q=Q_{\text{min}}}^{Q_{\text{max}}} n_Q$$

Freeze-out temperature:

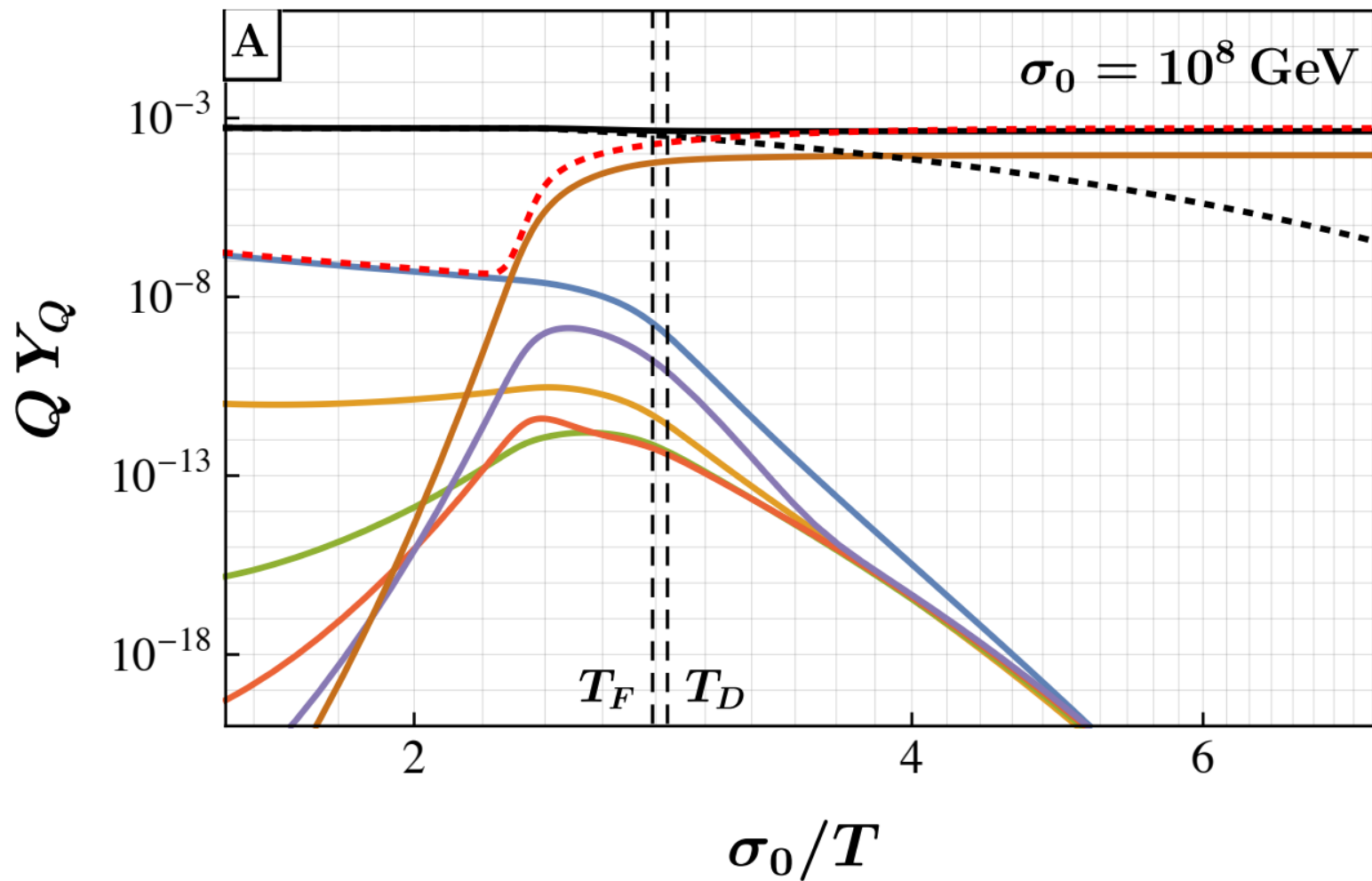
$$H n_{\text{NTS}}^{\text{eq}} \sim (\sigma v_{\text{rel}})_{Q_{\text{min}}} n_{Q_{\text{min}}}^{\text{eq}} n_{S^\dagger}^{\text{eq}} \Big|_{T=T_F}$$

Get an analytic estimate for $T < T_D$ using $n_{\text{NTS}}^{\text{eq}} \approx n_{Q_{\text{max}}}^{\text{eq}}$.

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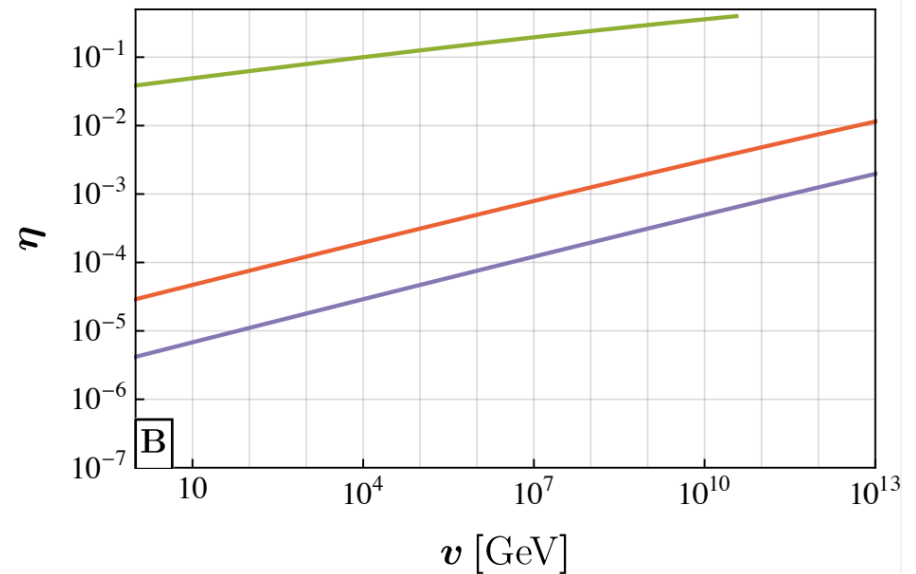
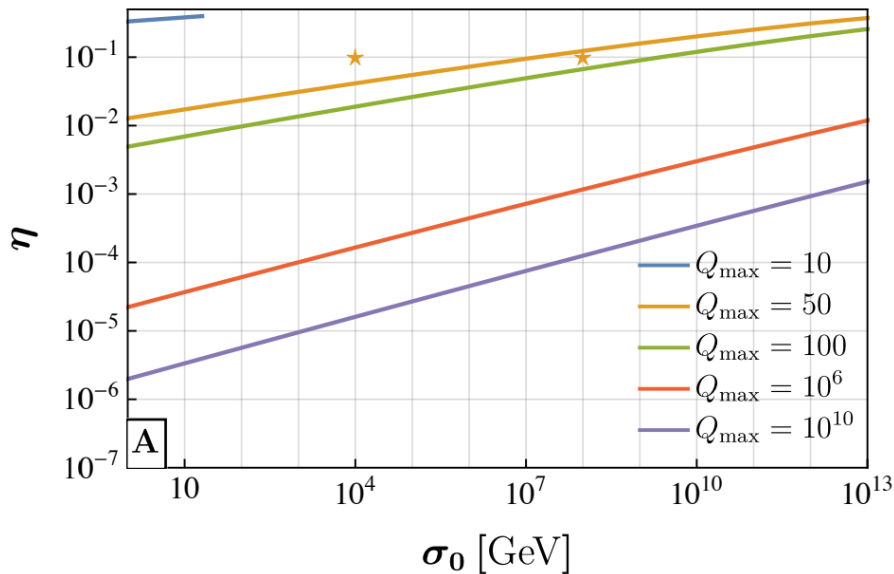


Q-BALL DOMINATION AFTER FREEZE OUT

When is $T_F < T_D$?

Equate our analytic estimates for each:

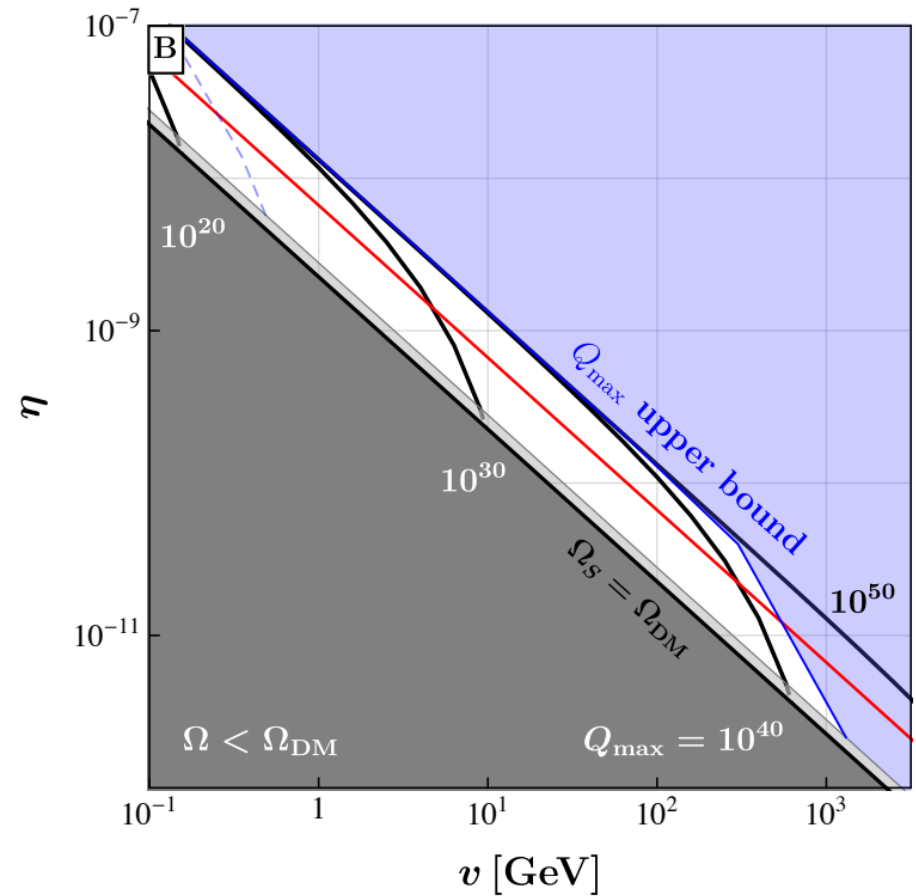
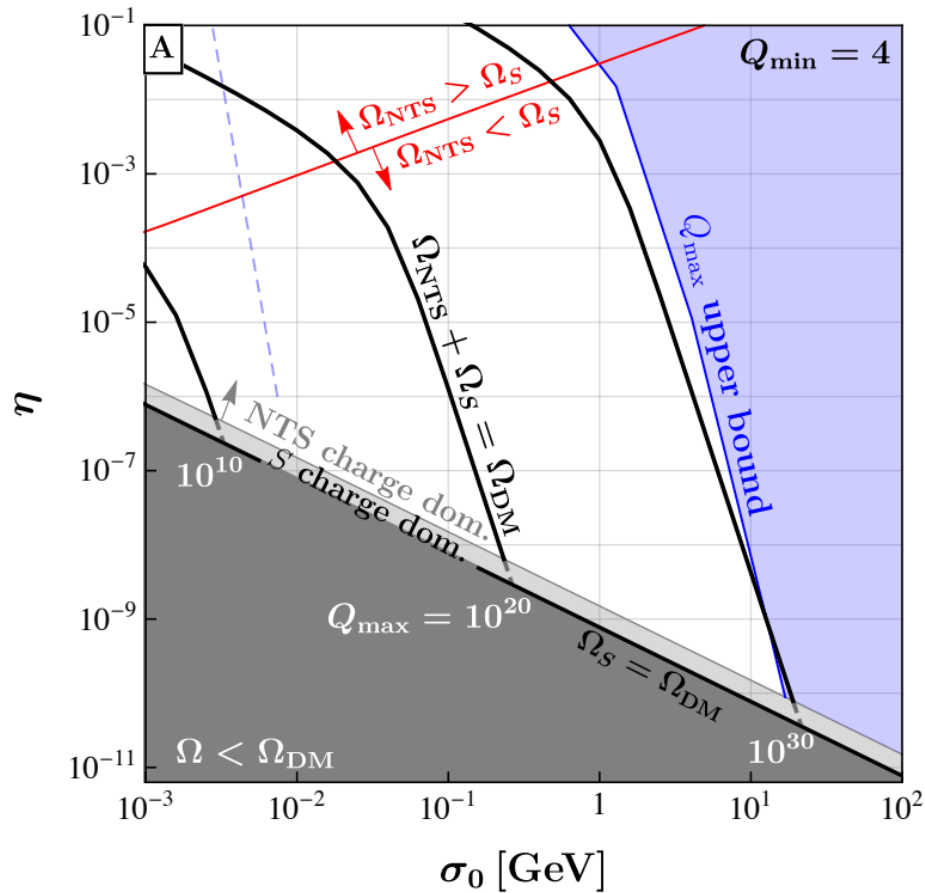
Plots: $Q_{min} = 4$



Derived scaling relationship at large Q_{max} :

$$\eta \propto \left[\frac{v}{Q_{max} M_{pl}} \right] \frac{m_S}{m_{Q_{min}}} \approx 1/Q_{min}$$

DARK MATTER ABUNDANCE

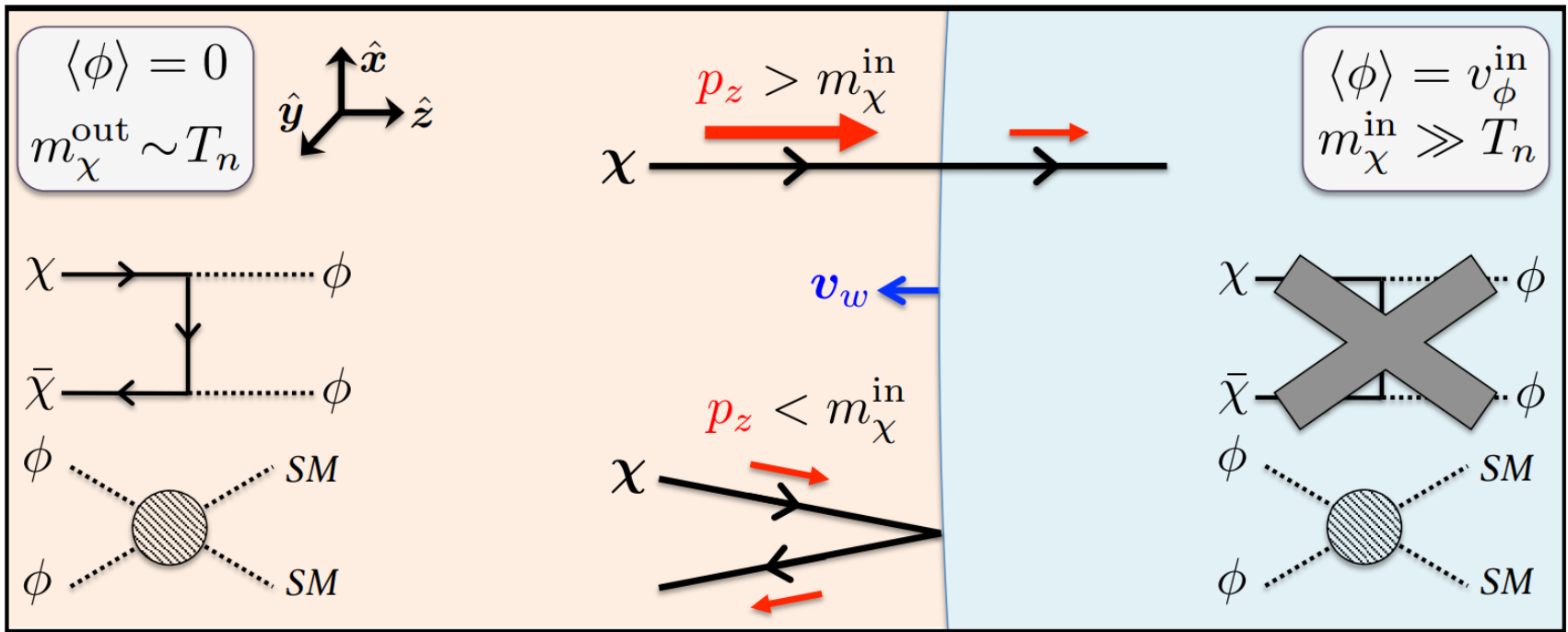


ϕ PHASE TRANSITION

1ST ORDER PHASE TRANSITION FORMATION

Phase transition in ϕ

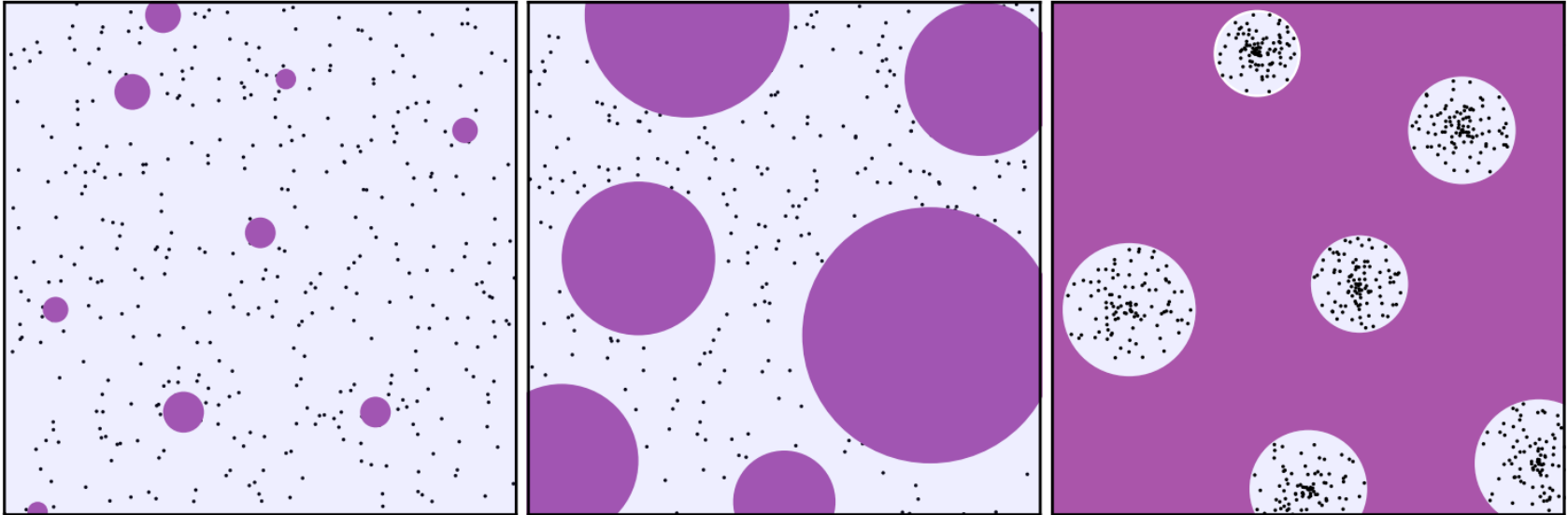
$$V(S, \phi) = \frac{1}{4}\lambda_\phi(|\phi|^2 - v^2)^2 + \frac{1}{4}\lambda_{\phi S}|S|^2|\phi|^2 + \lambda_S|S|^4 + m_{S,0}^2|S|^2$$



[Baker Kopp Long 1912.02830]

$$\chi = S$$

1ST ORDER PHASE TRANSITION FORMATION



Adapted from [Asadi, *et. al.* 2103.09827]

See [Frieman Gelmini Gleiser Kolb 1988; Griest Kolb Massarotti 1989; Frieman Olinto Gleiser Alcock 1989; Macpherson Campbell hep-ph/9408387; Bai Long Lu 1810.04360; Pónton Bai Jain 1906.10739; Hong Jung Xie 2008.04430; Bai Lu **NO** 2111.10360;...]

1ST ORDER PHASE TRANSITION FORMATION

Bubble nucleation rate per unit volume:

$$\gamma \approx T^4 \left(\frac{S_3}{2\pi T} \right)^{3/2} e^{-S_3/T}$$

Related to the 3D bounce action:

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

Thin-wall approximation gives a leading term and series expansion:

$$\frac{S_3}{T} = \frac{a}{\epsilon_c^2} + \frac{b}{\epsilon_c} + \dots \quad \epsilon_c(T) \equiv (T_c - T)/T_c$$

Fraction of space in the false vacuum:

$$h(t) = \exp \left[-\frac{4\pi}{3} \int_{t_c}^t dt' v_{\text{sh}}^3 (t - t')^3 \gamma(t') \right]$$

1ST ORDER PHASE TRANSITION FORMATION

Define the bubble nucleation time:

$$h(t_n) = 1/e$$

The number density of bubble nucleation sites at this time:

$$n_{\text{nuc}} = \int_{t_c}^{t_n} dt' \gamma(t') h(t') \approx (8\pi v_{\text{sh}}^3 \beta^{-3})^{-1}$$

$$\beta/H \approx T d(S_3/T)/dT = (1 - \epsilon_c)(2a/\epsilon_c^3 + b/\epsilon_c^2)$$

Taking only the leading (a) term:

$$n_{\text{Q-ball}}(T_n) \sim n_{\text{nuc}} \approx (4\pi v_{\text{sh}}^3 a^{1/2})^{-1} H_n^3 \left(\log \left[\frac{v_{\text{sh}}^3 \epsilon_n^9 T_n^4}{8\sqrt{2\pi} a^{5/2} H_n^4} \right] \right)^{3/2}$$

2ND ORDER PHASE TRANSITION FORMATION

Probability to be in false or true vacuum at Ginzburg temperature:

$$p_{\text{false}}/p_{\text{true}} \sim \exp[-\Delta V(T_G) (2\xi)^3/T_G]$$
$$\xi \simeq (\lambda_\phi T_G)^{-1}$$

False vacuum regions can become Q-balls:

$$n_{\text{Q-ball}}(T_G) \sim \frac{1}{1 + p_{\text{true}}/p_{\text{false}}} \xi^{-3} \sim 10^{-1} \lambda_\phi^{3/2} v^3, \quad (\text{SOPT})$$

FOPT makes fewer Q-balls than SOPT:

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$$v \gg H_n \sim v^2/M_{\text{pl}}$$

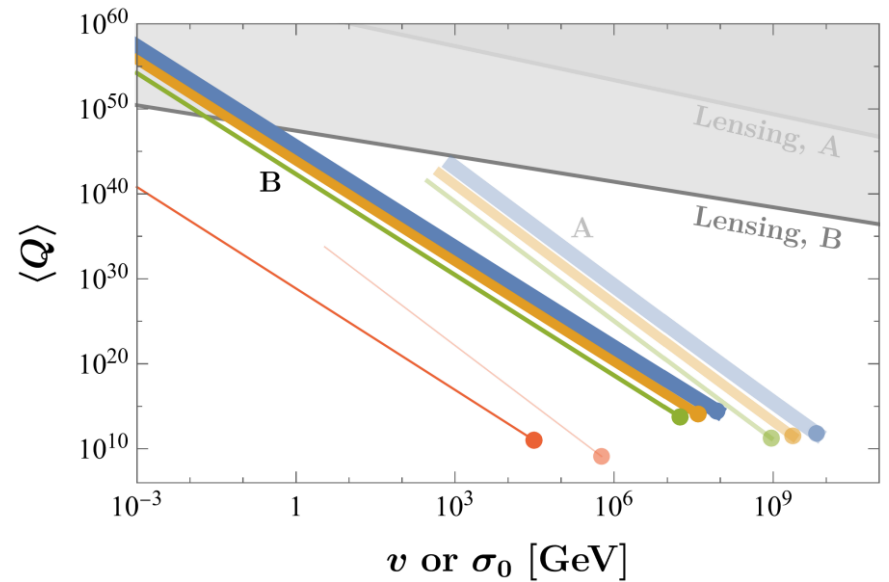
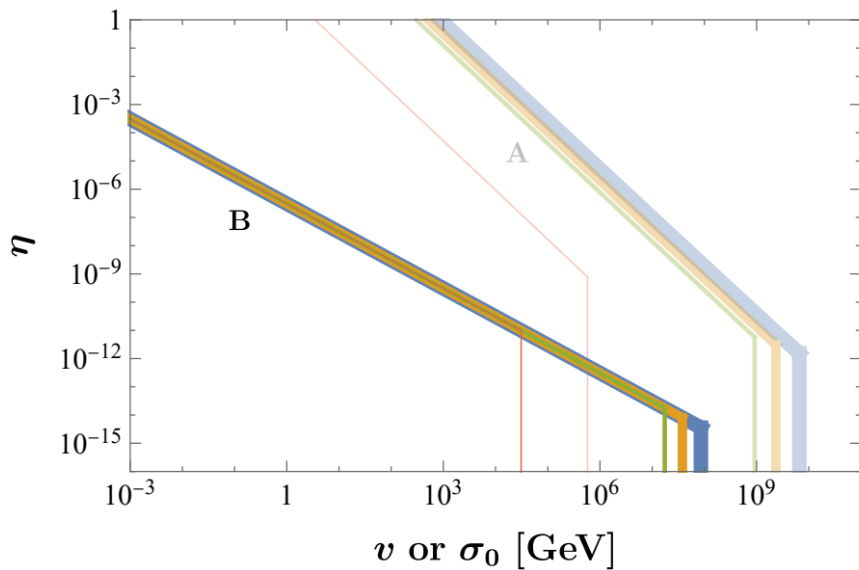
PHASE TRANSITION FORMATION

Q-ball properties determined by number of S particles in each false vacuum region:

$$N_S^{\text{Q-ball}} \sim p_{\text{in}} n_S / n_{\text{Q-ball}}$$
$$\langle Q \rangle \sim \max \left[\underbrace{\eta N_S^{\text{Q-ball}}}_{\text{Asymmetric component}}, \underbrace{(N_S^{\text{Q-ball}})^{1/2}}_{\text{Symmetric component}} \right]$$

1ST ORDER PHASE TRANSITION FORMATION

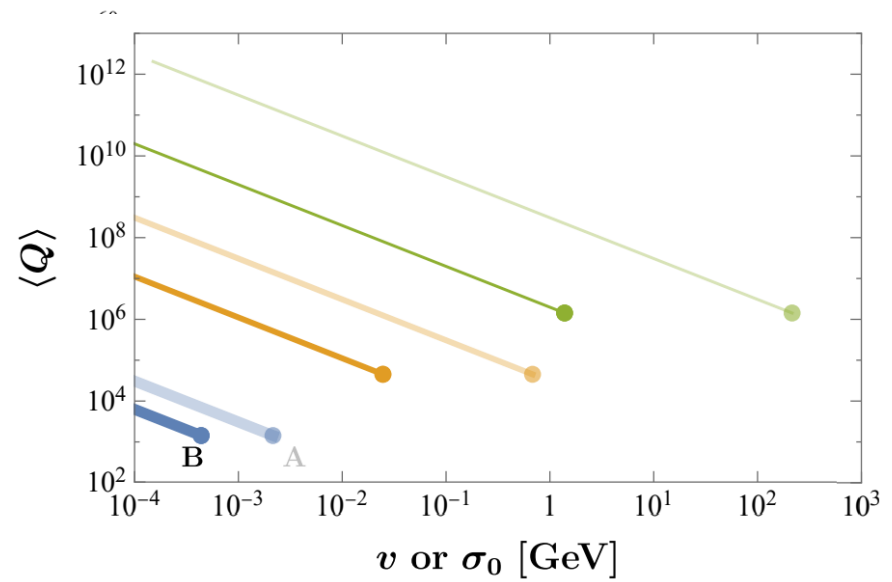
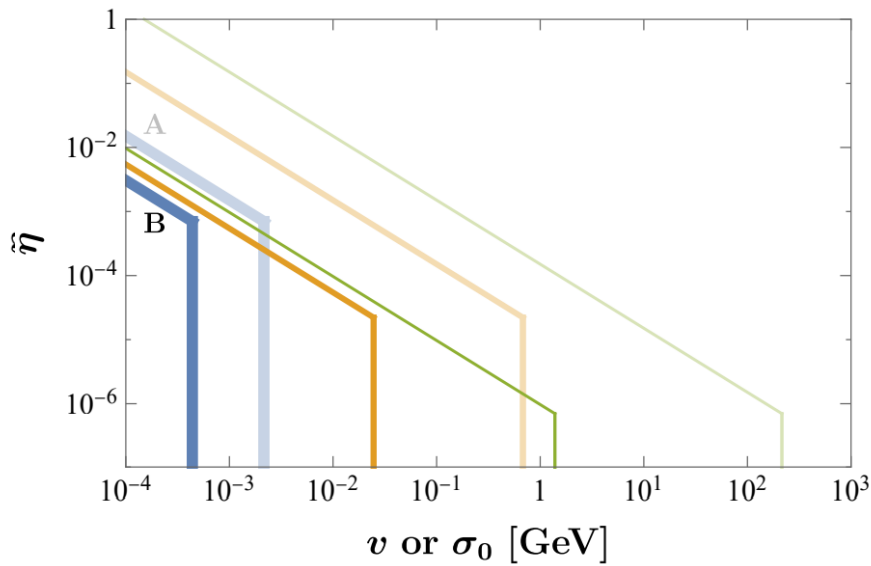
Q-ball abundance making up all dark matter:



Colors: varying a

2ND ORDER PHASE TRANSITION FORMATION

Q-ball abundance making up all dark matter:



Colors: varying λ_ϕ and taking $T_G = \lambda_\phi^{-1/2} v$

IS SOLITOSYNTHESIS “EFFICIENT”?

Are phase transition initial conditions important?
Or does solitosynthesis erase all initial conditions?

Initial conditions are modified by:

If both occur and $\langle Q \rangle < Q_{\max}$, PT
unimportant, solitosynthesis dominates.

1. Building up of Q-balls starting from free-particle fusion.

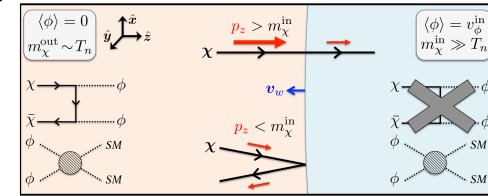
Depends on the phase transition and solitosynthesis freeze-out temperatures, T_f and T_F .

2. Evolution of Q-balls seeded during phase transition.

Suppressed if free particles in true vacuum regions are suppressed.

Depends on the free particle mass m_S compared to the phase transition temperature T_f .

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2. For no evolution of Q-balls seeded during phase transition:
- Free particles remain inside the false vacuum bubbles during the phase transition.

Boltzmann suppressed $\sim e^{-m_S/T}$. Therefore, $m_S/T_f \gtrsim \mathcal{O}(10)$.

- Free particles not thermally produced. $S + S^\dagger \leftrightarrow \phi + \phi^\dagger$

$$(\sigma v_{\text{rel}}) n_S^{\text{eq}} \lesssim H \quad m_S/T_f \gtrsim 31 + (3/2) \log[m_S/(31T_f)] + \log(T_f \cdot \text{TeV}/v^2)$$

- Particles cannot be dislodged from Q-balls by the thermal bath. $(Q) + S \leftrightarrow (Q + 1) + X$

$$m_S/T_f \gtrsim 50 + (3/2) \log[m_S/(50 T_f)] + \log(T_f \cdot \text{TeV}/v^2) + (1/2) \log(\langle Q \rangle / 10^{10}) \quad \text{Model A}$$

$$m_S/T_f \gtrsim 53 + (3/2) \log[m_S/(53 T_f)] + \log(T_f \cdot \text{TeV}/v^2) + (2/3) \log(\langle Q \rangle / 10^{10}) \quad \text{Model B}$$

BENCHMARKS

Points where free particles + Q-balls make up all of dark matter:

Mechanism	Model	η	m_Q (g)	R_Q (m)	$\langle Q \rangle$	σ_0 or v (GeV)
Solitosynthesis	A	10^{-10}	3	3×10^{-10}	6×10^{29}	10
	B	10^{-10}	5×10^{22}	2×10^{-3}	1×10^{45}	1×10^2
	B	10^{-6}	6×10^{30}	3×10^5	1×10^{57}	1×10^{-2}
FOPT	A	0	9×10^{-6}	5×10^{-23}	3×10^{11}	2×10^9
	B	0	2×10^{-3}	4×10^{-19}	1×10^{14}	4×10^7
	B	10^{-4}	8×10^{26}	1×10^5	7×10^{53}	3×10^{-3}
SOPT	A	0	2×10^{-20}	3×10^{-15}	5×10^4	7×10^{-1}
	B	0	1×10^{-20}	5×10^{-13}	5×10^4	2×10^{-2}

Q-balls dominate the $U(1)_S$ global charge density in all cases.

Q-balls dominate the energy density in all cases except first row.

MAGNETIC Q-BALLS

MOTIVATION

Magnetic monopoles could explain the observed quantization of electric charge, but we have not detected them.

One possibility: we are looking for the wrong type of monopole.

Larger bound states of monopoles?

Plan:

- Start with unit magnetic charge \rightarrow spherically symmetric solutions
- Generalize to Q -monopole-balls with larger magnetic charge
- Formation

THEORY

$$\mathcal{L} = |\partial_\mu S|^2 + \frac{1}{2}(D_\mu \phi^a)^2 - \frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{a\mu\nu} - V(S, \phi),$$
$$V(S, \phi) = \frac{1}{8}\lambda_\phi(\phi^a \phi^a - v^2)^2 + \frac{1}{2}\lambda_{\phi S}|S|^2(\phi^a \phi^a) + \lambda_S|S|^4 + m_{S,0}^2|S|^2,$$

ϕ^a : SU(2) gauge triplet scalar
 S : U(1) global complex scalar

Spontaneous SU(2) breaking leads to monopoles:

$$\pi_2[SU(2)/U(1)] = \mathbb{Z}$$

(All parameters are taken positive)

EQUATIONS OF MOTION

Use dimensionless rescaling of fields, with time-dependent phase for S and “hedgehog gauge” for ϕ^a :

$$\phi^a = \hat{r}^a v f(r), \quad S = e^{-i\omega t} \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} s(r), \quad A_0 = 0, \quad A_i^a = \epsilon^{aij} \frac{\hat{r}^j}{er} a(r)$$

Classical EOM:

$$a'' - \frac{1}{\bar{r}^2} a(1-a)(2-a) + e^2 (1-a) f^2 = 0,$$

$$f'' + \frac{2}{\bar{r}} f' - \frac{2}{\bar{r}^2} (1-a)^2 f - \frac{1}{2} \lambda_\phi f (f^2 - 1) - \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{\phi S} s^2 f = 0,$$

$$s'' + \frac{2}{\bar{r}} s' + \Omega^2 s - \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{\phi S} f^2 s - \lambda_S s^3 - \mu_0^2 s = 0,$$

$$U_{\text{eff}} = \Omega^2 s^2 / 2 - V(s, f)$$

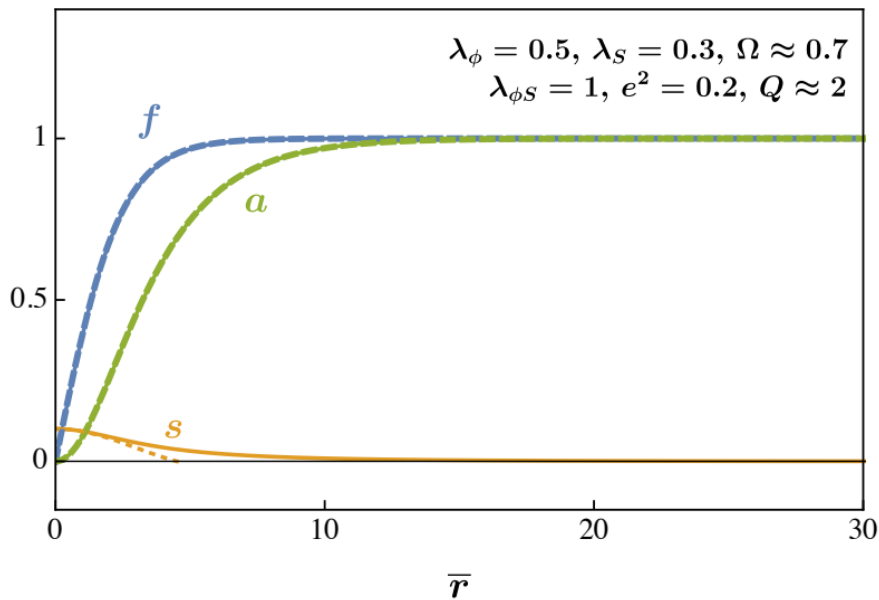
Boundary conditions:

$$f(0) = 0, \quad f(\infty) = 1, \quad s'(0) = 0, \quad s(\infty) = 0, \quad a(0) = 0, \quad a(\infty) = 1$$

Rescalings: $\bar{r} = vr$ $\Omega = \omega/v$ $\mu_0 = m_{S,0}/v$

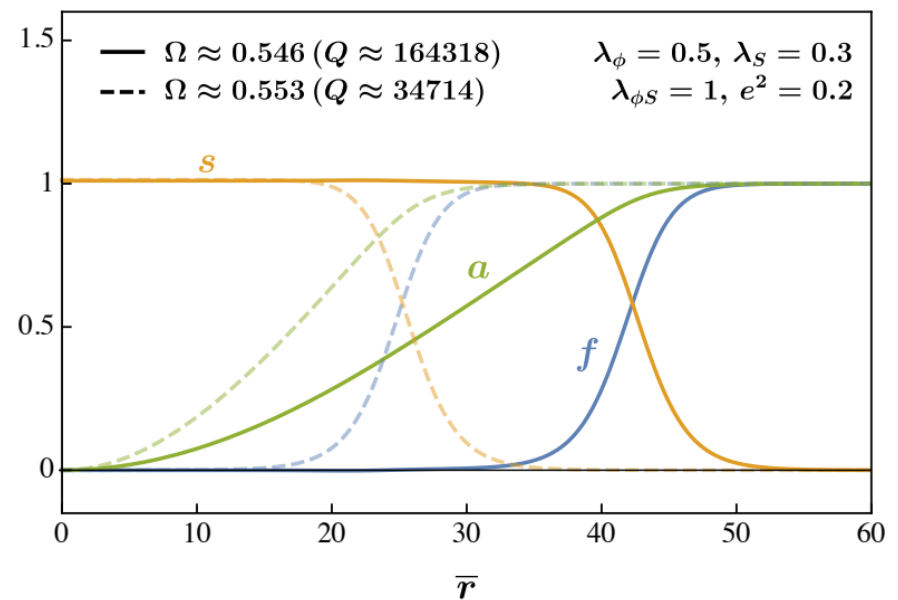
FIELD PROFILES

Small Q



“S particles bound in a monopole”

Large Q



“Monopole bound in a Q-ball”

LARGE Q

Ansatz:

$$f(\bar{r}) \approx \begin{cases} 0, & \bar{r} < \bar{r}_b \\ 1, & \bar{r} > \bar{r}_b \end{cases}, \quad s(\bar{r}) \approx \begin{cases} s_0, & \bar{r} < \bar{r}_b \\ 0, & \bar{r} > \bar{r}_b \end{cases}, \quad a(\bar{r}) \approx \begin{cases} \bar{r}^2/\bar{r}_b^2, & \bar{r} < \bar{r}_b \\ 1, & \bar{r} > \bar{r}_b \end{cases}.$$

Mass ($\mu_0 = 0$):

$$M_{(2,Q)} \approx \underbrace{\frac{304 \pi v}{35 e^2 \bar{r}_b}}_{\int d^3x B^2/2} + \underbrace{\frac{4\pi}{3} \bar{r}_b^3 v \left(\frac{1}{4} \lambda_S s_0^4 + \frac{1}{8} \lambda_\phi + \frac{1}{2} \Omega^2 s_0^2 \right)}_{\text{Vacuum energy}}$$

Global charge Q :

$$Q \approx \frac{4\pi}{3} \bar{r}_b^3 \Omega s_0^2$$

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Eliminate Ω for Q , minimize w.r.t. \bar{r}_b, s_0 :

$$\bar{r}_b \approx \frac{(3/\pi)^{1/3} \lambda_S^{1/12}}{2^{5/12} \lambda_\phi^{1/4}} Q^{1/3},$$

$$M_{(2,Q)} \approx M_{(0,Q)} \approx Q \Omega_c v,$$

$$s_0 \approx \left(\frac{\lambda_\phi}{2 \lambda_S} \right)^{1/4},$$

$$\Omega \approx \Omega_c.$$

$$\bar{\Omega}^4 > \bar{\Omega}_c^4 \equiv \frac{1}{2} \lambda_S \lambda_\phi$$

LARGE Q STABILITY

“Monopole bound in a Q-ball”:

$$\Delta M = M_{(2,0)} + M_{(0,Q)} - M_{(2,Q)} \approx \frac{4\pi v}{e} Y - \frac{304 \times 2^{5/12} \pi^{4/3}}{35 \times 3^{1/3}} \frac{\lambda_\phi^{1/4}}{e^2 \lambda_S^{1/12}} Q^{-1/3} v$$

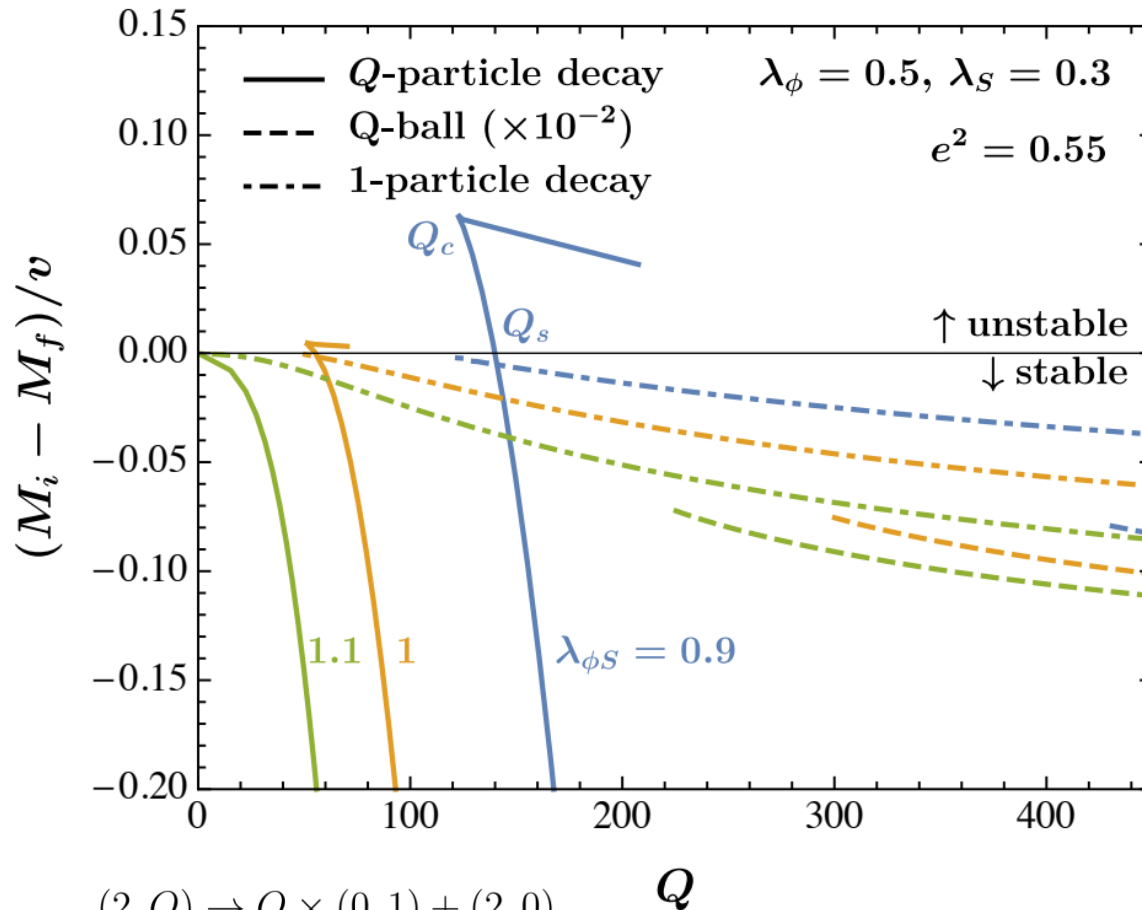
Evaporation into free S particles stable if:

$$(M_{(2,Q)} - M_{(2,0)})/Q < m_S = v\sqrt{\lambda_{\phi S}/2},$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} M_{(2,Q)} \approx M_{(0,Q)} \approx Q \Omega_c v, \\ \bar{\Omega}^2 \equiv \Omega^2 - \mu_0^2 < \frac{\lambda_{\phi S}}{2} \end{array} \right]$$

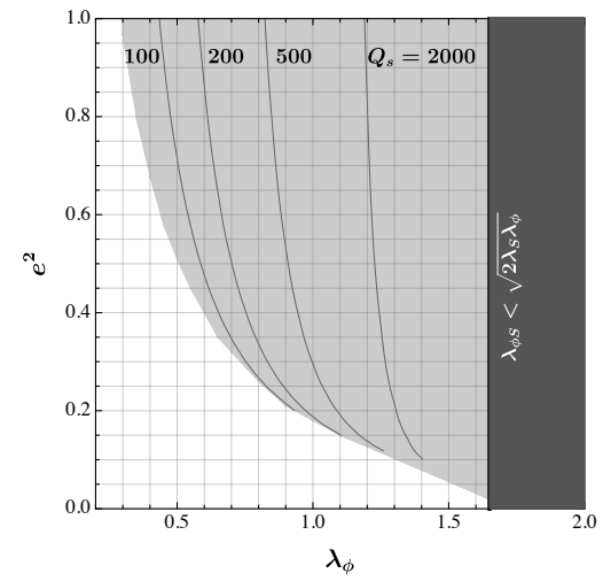
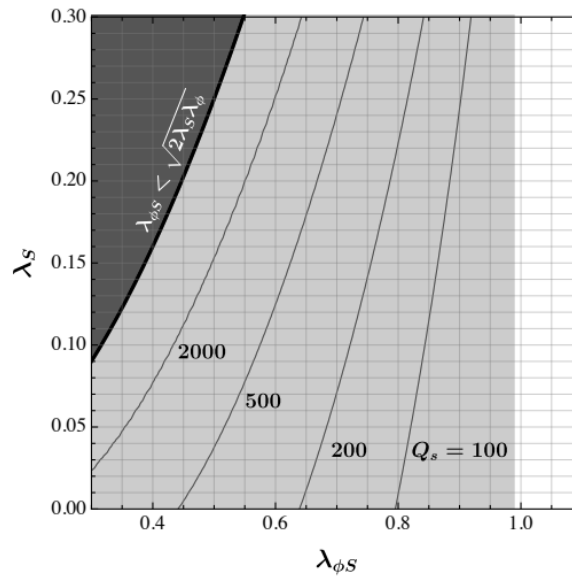
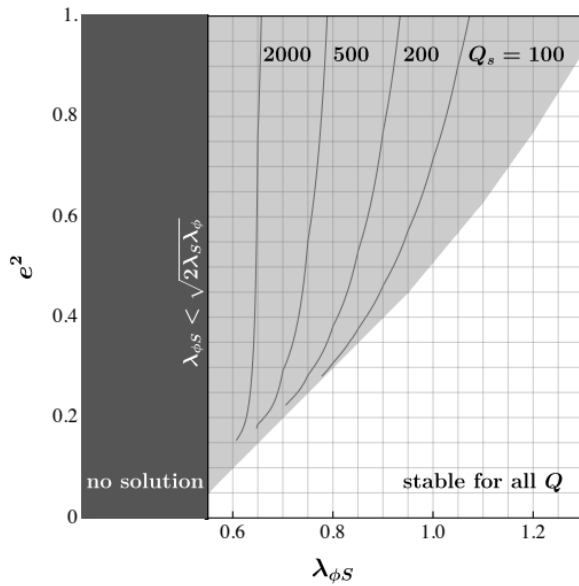
Always stable at sufficiently large Q .

MASS AND STABILITY



- Q -particle decay : $(2, Q) \rightarrow Q \times (0, 1) + (2, 0),$
 Q -ball decay : $(2, Q) \rightarrow (0, Q) + (2, 0),$
 1-particle decay : $(2, Q) \rightarrow (2, Q - 1) + (0, 1).$

STABILITY



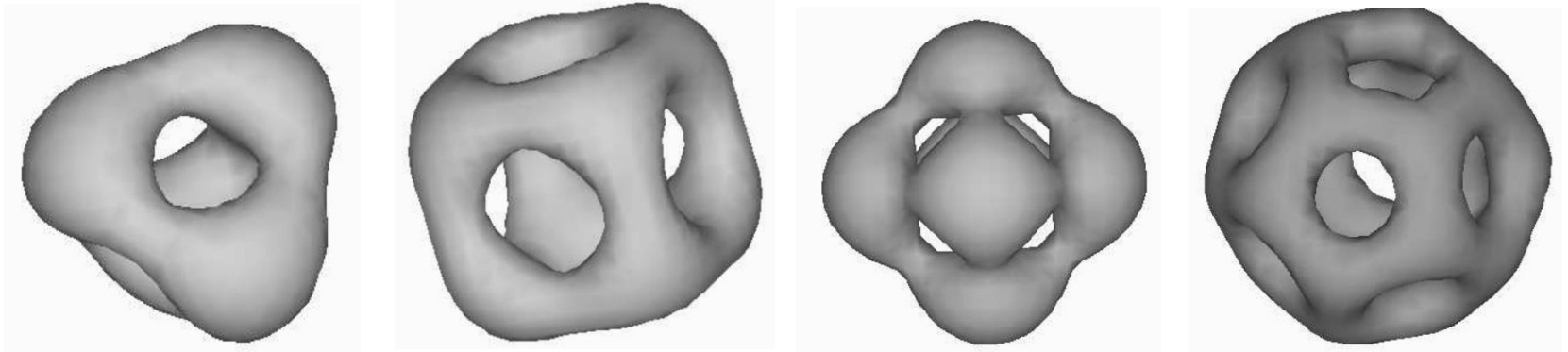
When not being varied:

$$\lambda_\phi = 0.5, e^2 = 0.5, \lambda_S = 0.3, \lambda_{\phi S} = 1, \text{ and } m_{S,0} = 0.$$

LARGER CHARGE

Like-charged monopoles repel and only form bound states in the “BPS limit” (attractive Yukawa interaction cancels the repulsive magnetic force)

Larger-charged monopoles cannot be spherically symmetric [Weinberg Guth 76]



[Houghton Sutcliffe hep-th/9601146, hep-th/9601147]

Or larger “magnetic bags” [Bolognesi hep-th/0512133; Lee Weinberg 0810.4962]

LARGE MONOPOLE CHARGE $q > 2$

$$M_{(2,Q)} \approx \frac{304 \pi v}{35 e^2 \bar{r}_b} + \frac{4\pi}{3} \bar{r}_b^3 v \left(\frac{1}{4} \lambda_S s_0^4 + \frac{1}{8} \lambda_\phi + \frac{1}{2} \Omega^2 s_0^2 \right)$$



$$M_{(q,Q)} \sim \frac{304\pi v (q/2)^2}{35 e^2 \bar{r}_b} + \frac{4\pi}{3} \bar{r}_b^3 v \left(\frac{1}{4} \lambda_S s_0^4 + \frac{1}{8} \lambda_\phi + \frac{1}{2} \Omega^2 s_0^2 \right)$$

Stability against $(q, Q) \rightarrow (q - 2, Q) + (2, 0)$:

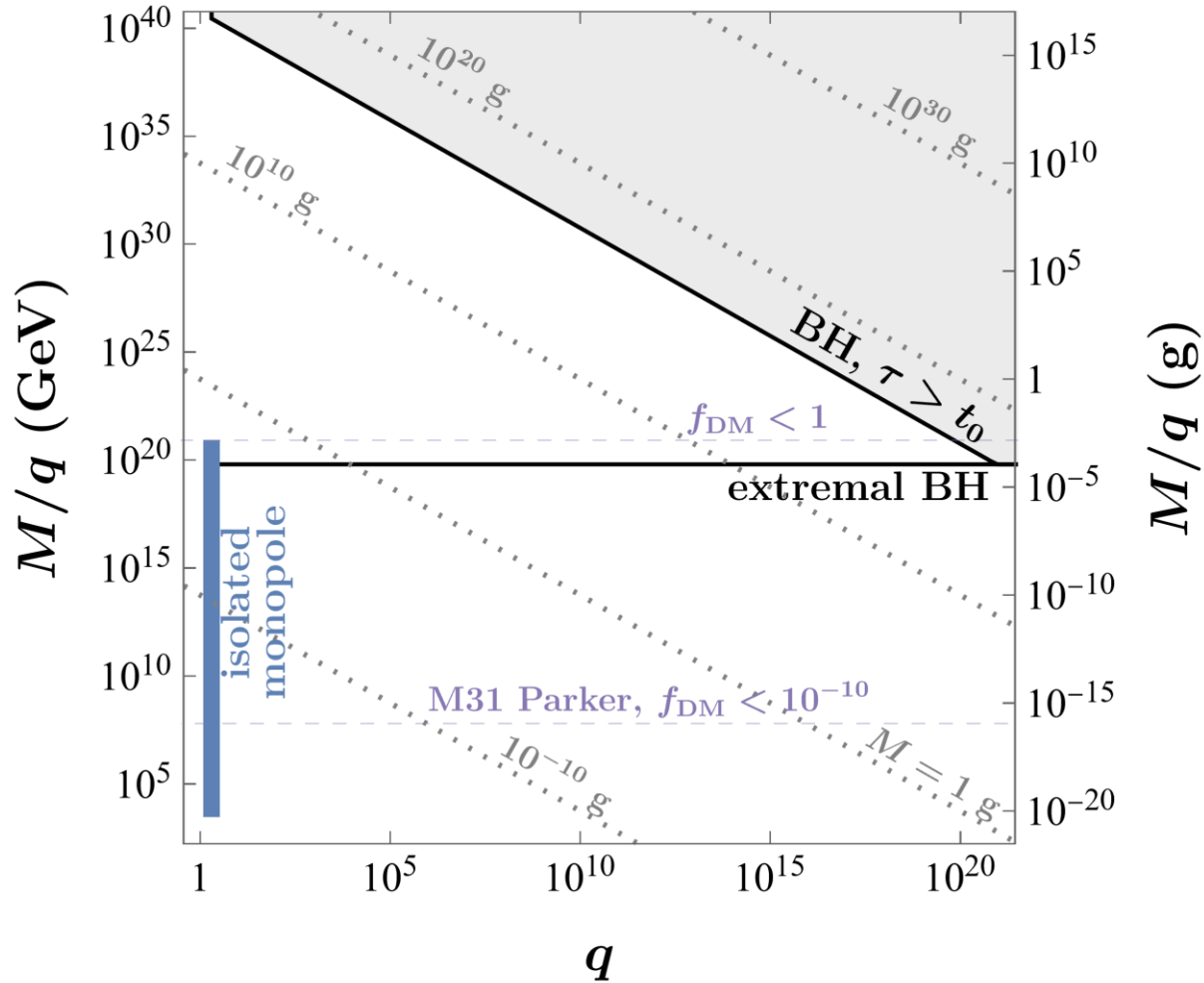
$$q \lesssim 1 + \frac{35}{76} e \bar{r}_b Y \approx \frac{35(3/\pi)^{1/3}}{76 \times 2^{5/12}} e Y \frac{\lambda_S^{1/12}}{\lambda_\phi^{1/4}} Q^{1/3}$$

Minimum stable mass for stability:

$$M_{(q,Q)} \gtrsim 21 \frac{\lambda_\phi}{e^3 Y^3} q^3 v$$

ALLOWED MASS AND CHARGE

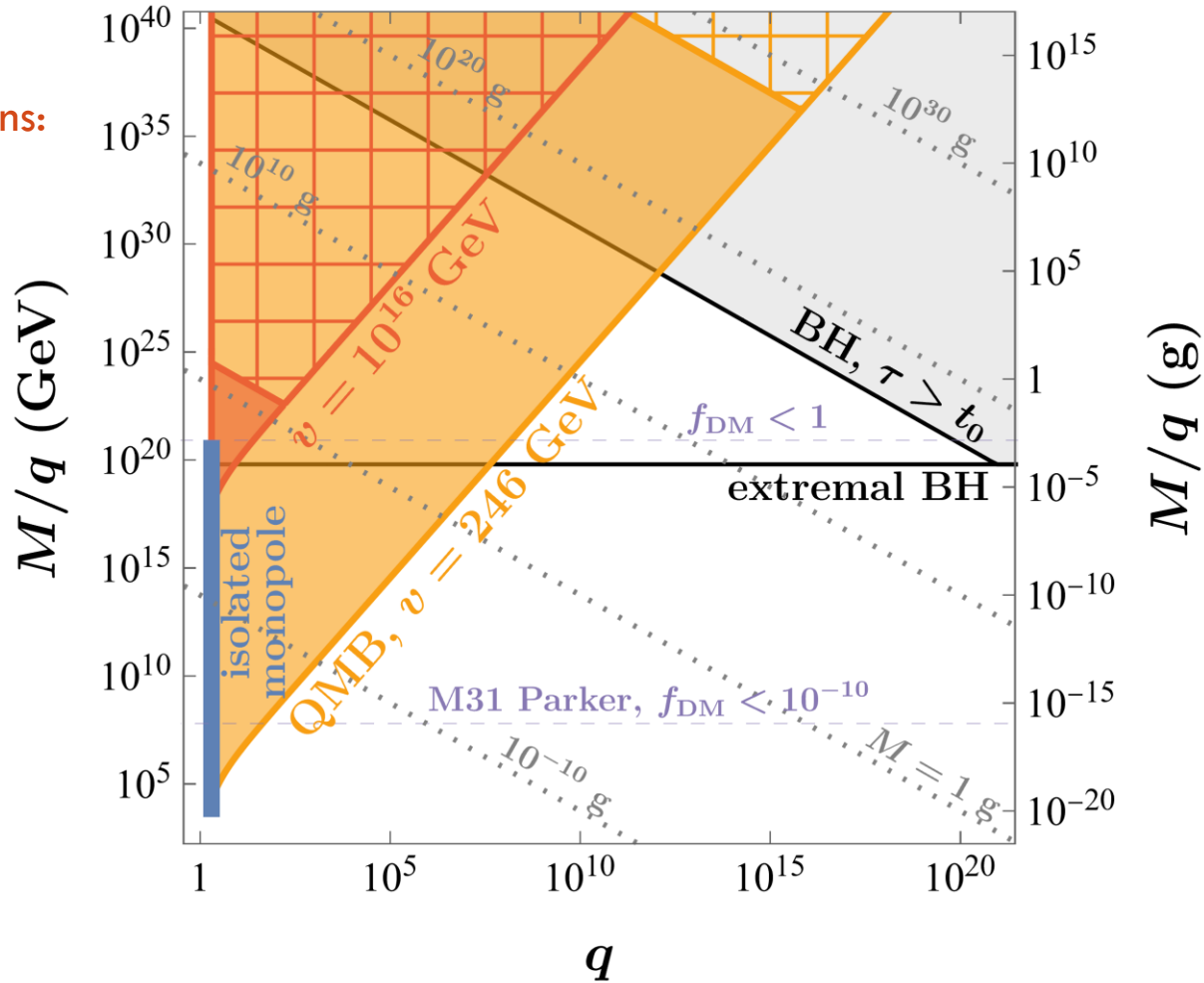
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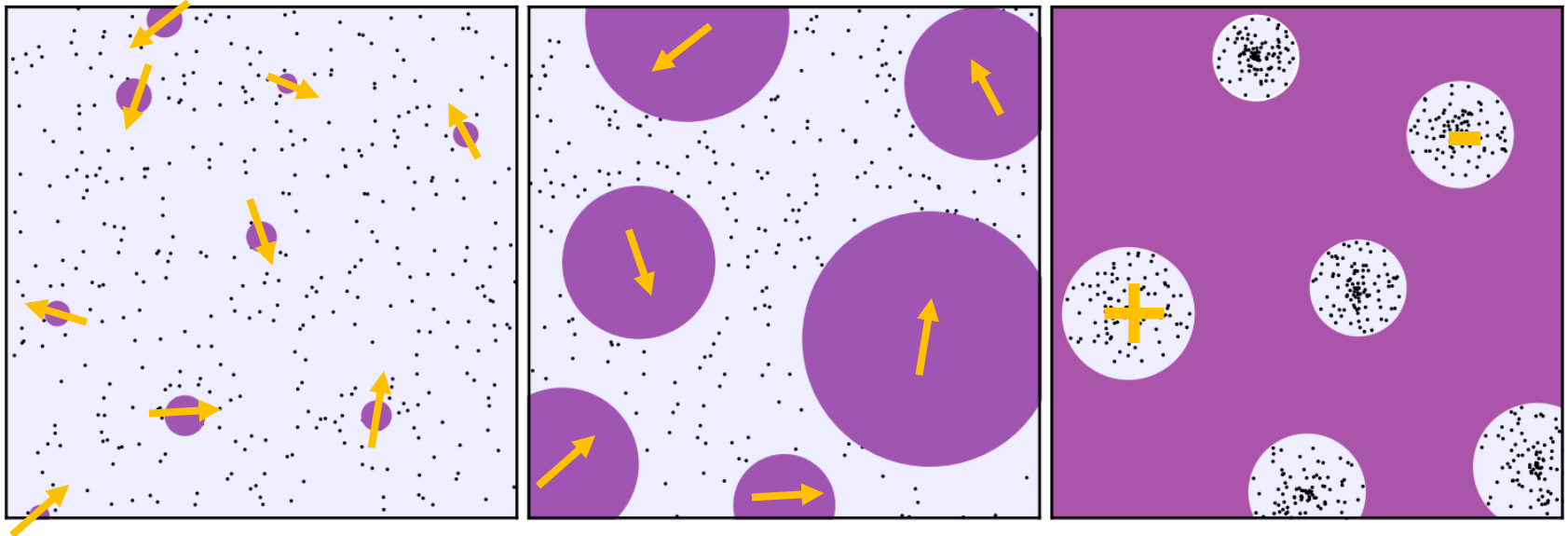
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Hatched regions:
 $R > r_s$



FORMATION

In a first order phase transition, monopoles and Q-balls tend to form in the same places.



Adapted from [Asadi, et. al. 2103.09827]

Q-monopole-balls have smaller Q_s than Q-balls
 $\Rightarrow S$ fusion is easier on monopoles during solitosynthesis.

But, expect small monopole charges.

SUMMARY



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- Q-balls are generic in theories with multiple scalar fields.
 - Q-monopole balls are generally expected when monopoles exist with a “Higgs-portal type” coupling to a scalar.
- Both solitosynthesis and phase transitions can make macroscopically large Q-balls.
 - Refined analytic estimates for Q-ball properties from solitosynthesis.
 - For solitosynthesis, particle-antiparticle asymmetry could match SM. For phase transitions, no particle-antiparticle asymmetry required.
 - Magnetic monopoles could be hiding inside Q-balls.
- These Q-balls can explain dark matter.