

New Perspectives on Axion Misalignment Mechanism

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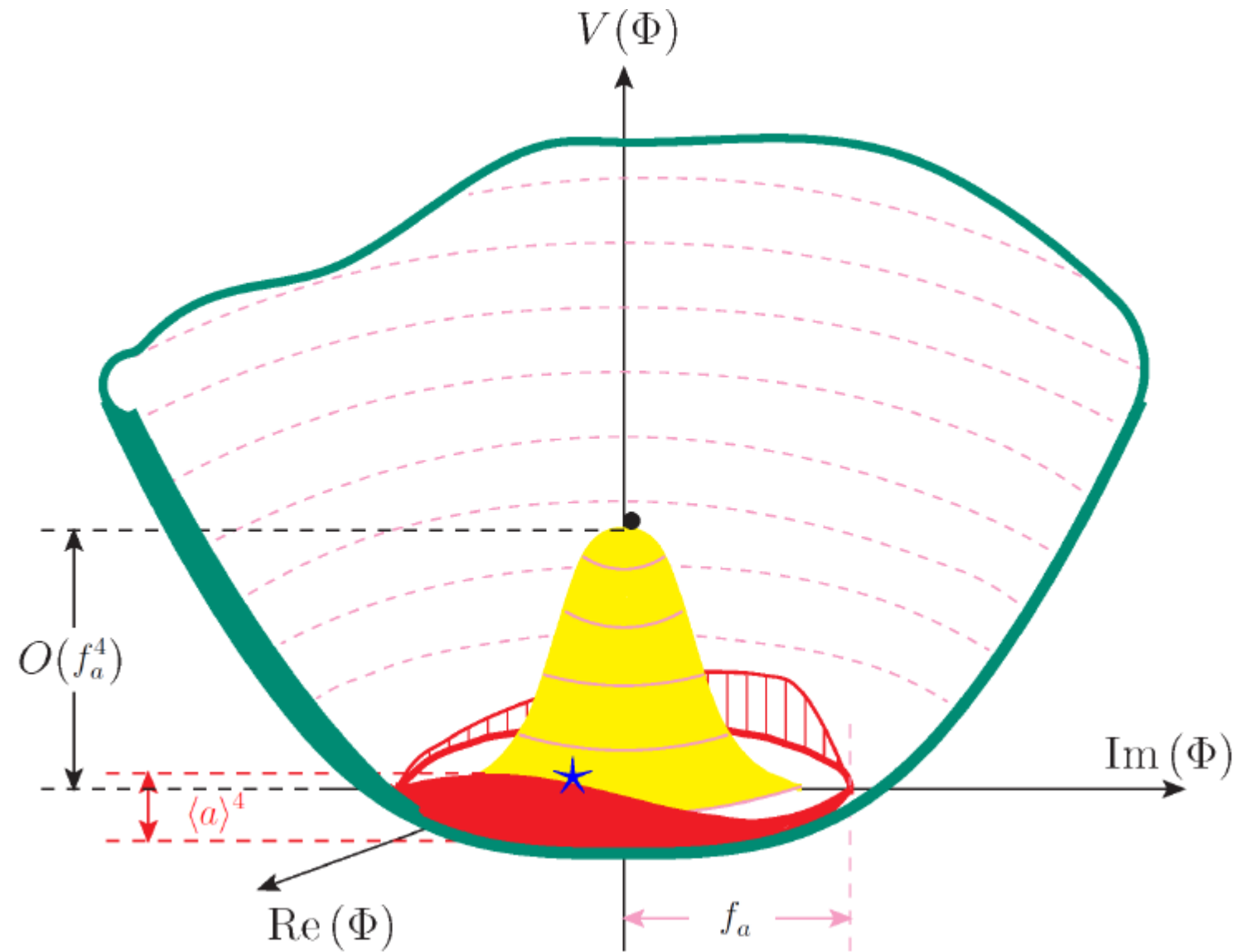
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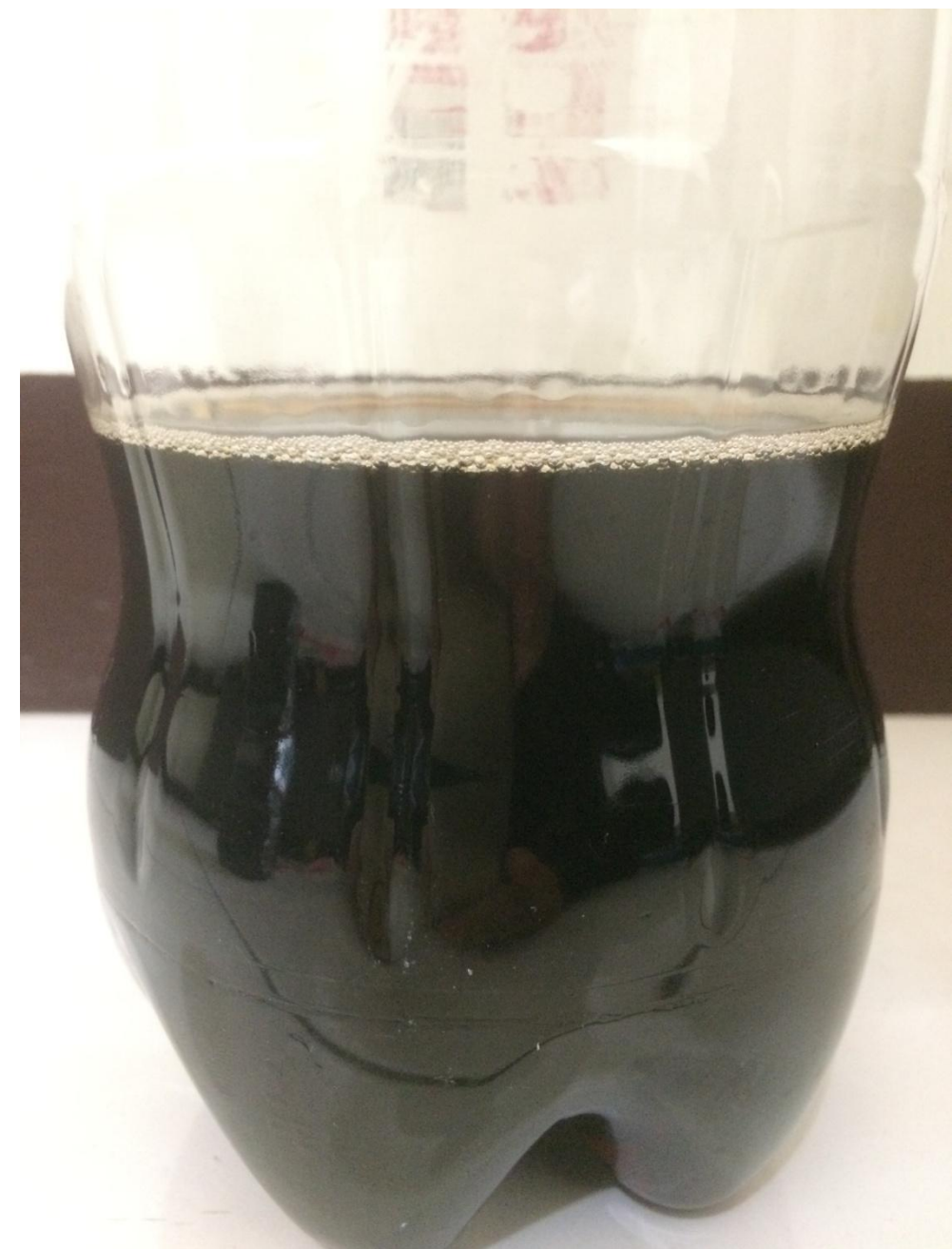
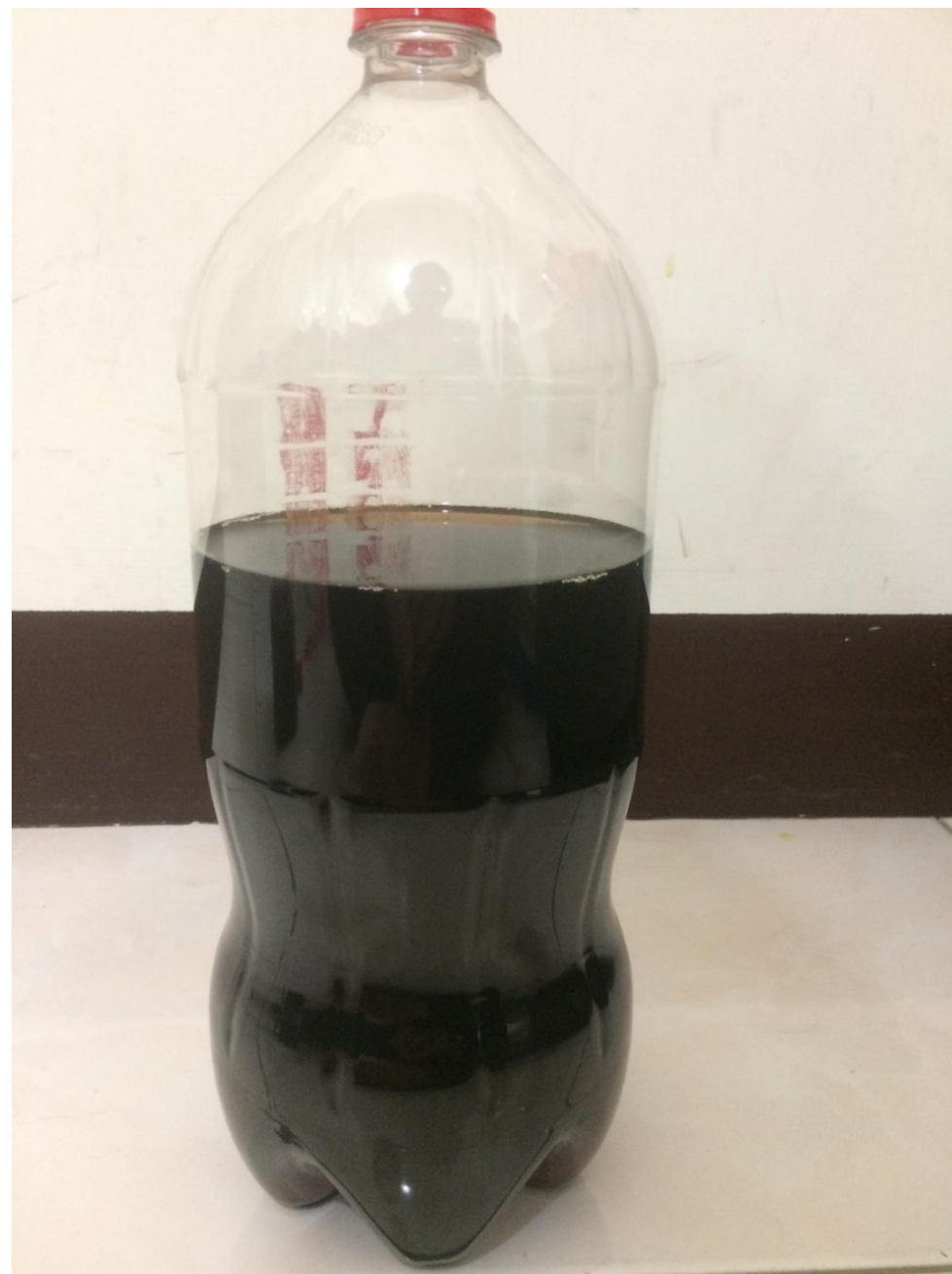
Outline

1. Briefly introduce axion evolution in universe
2. Kinetic misalignment mechanism
3. Conclusion and Discussion

- Strong CP Problem & $U(1)_A$ Problem
- Cosmological Problems

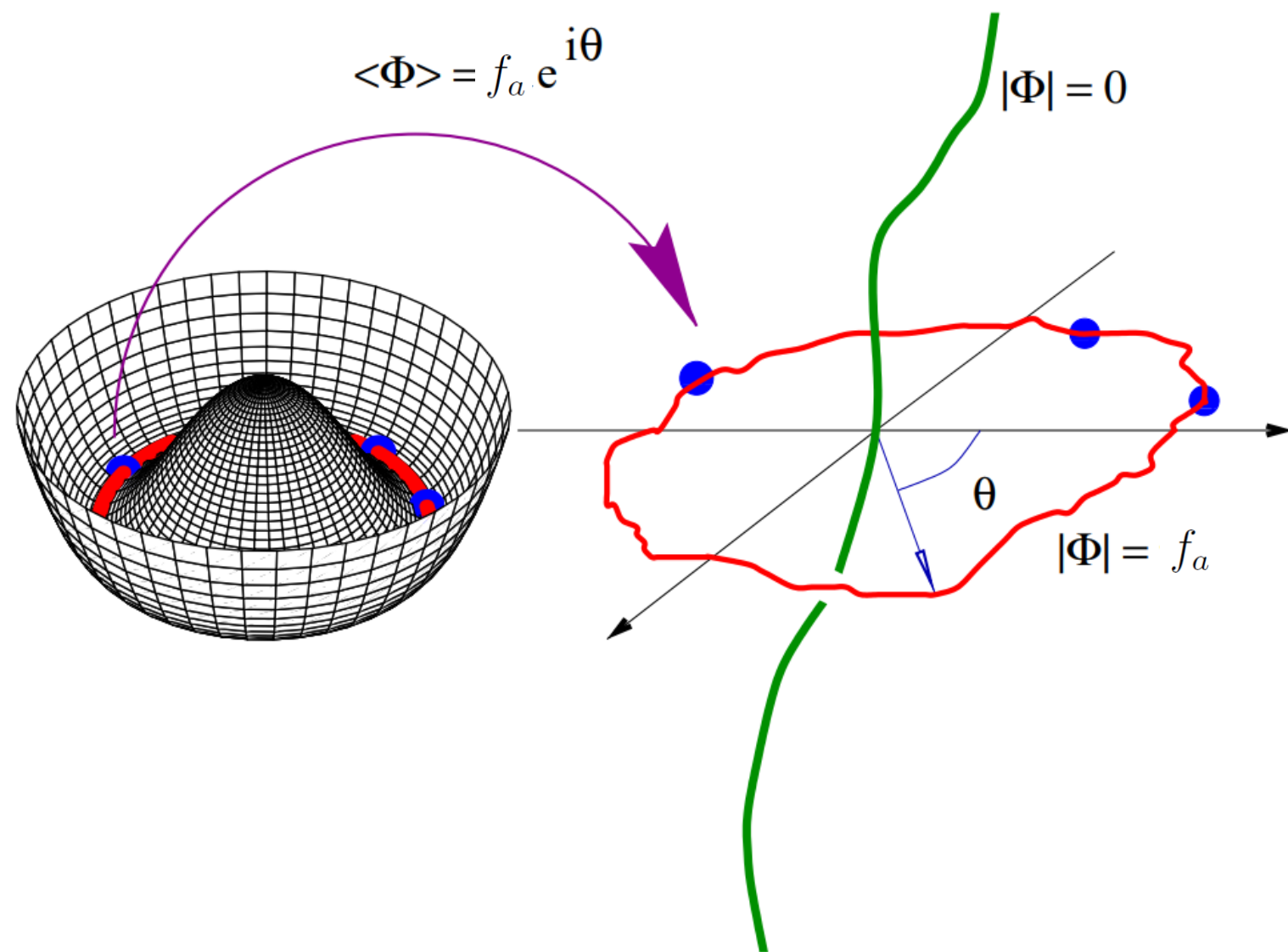
$$\boxed{G} \xrightarrow{f_a} \boxed{H \times U(1)_a} \xrightarrow{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}} \boxed{H_0 \times Z_n}$$





f_a 

Cosmic String



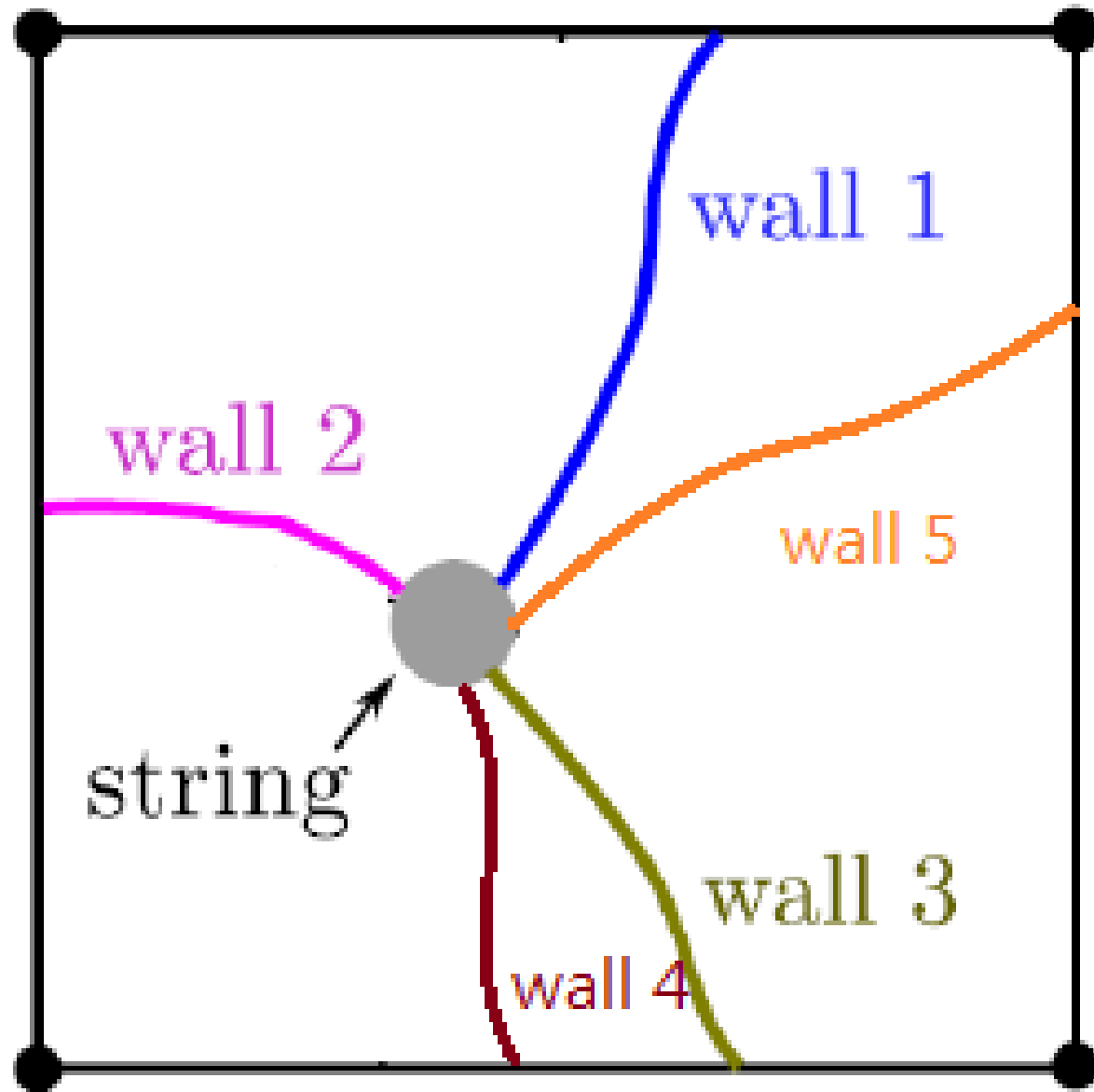
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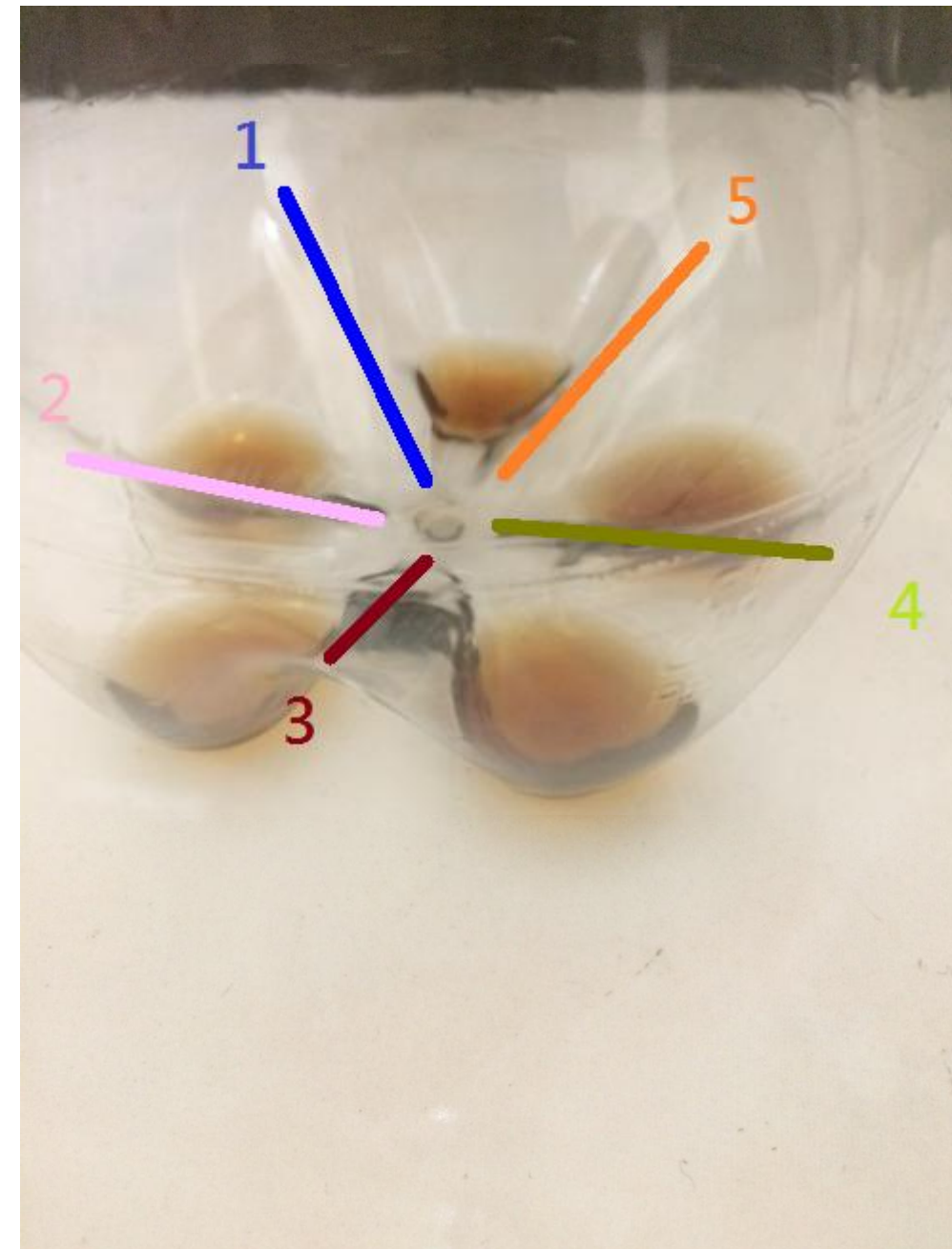
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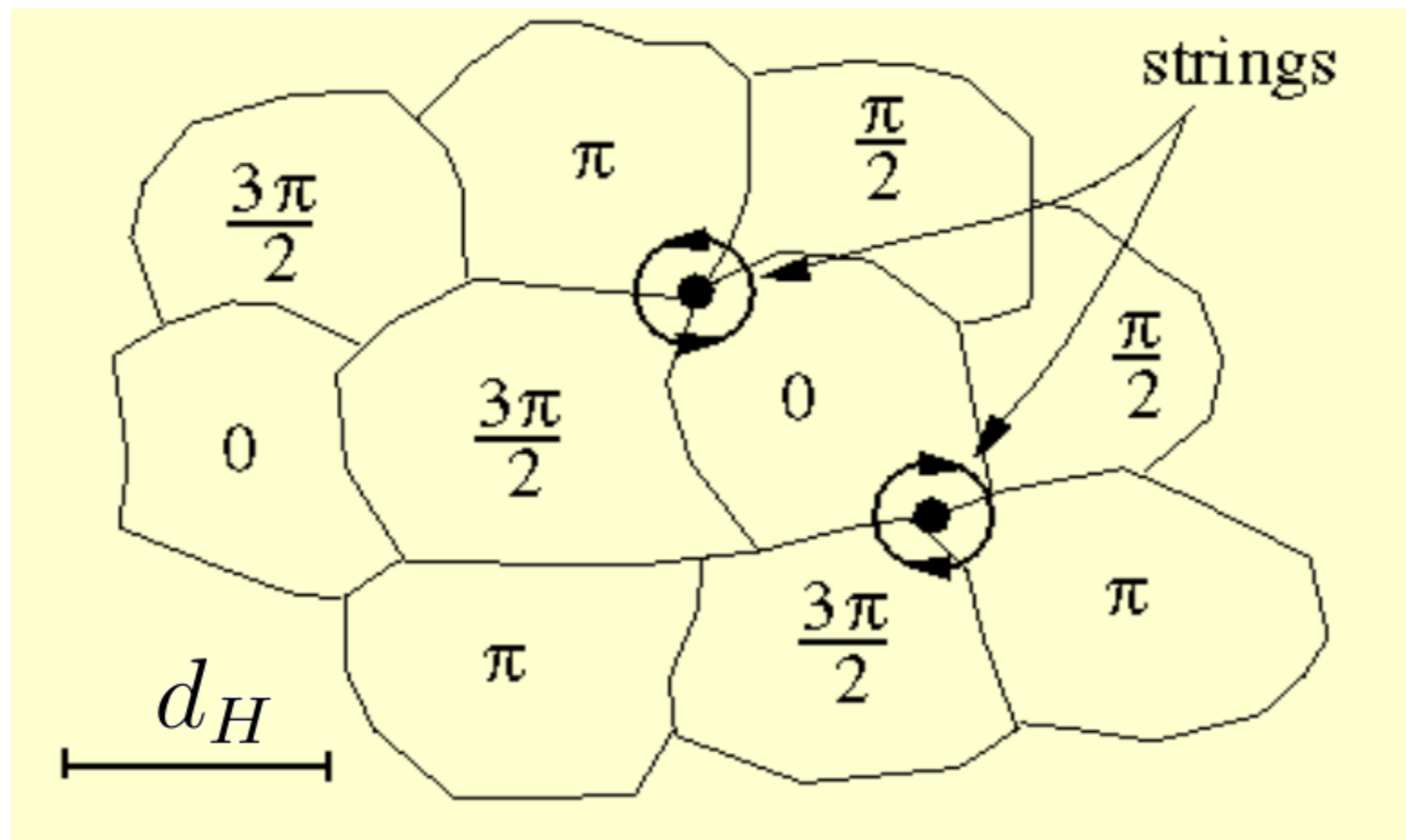
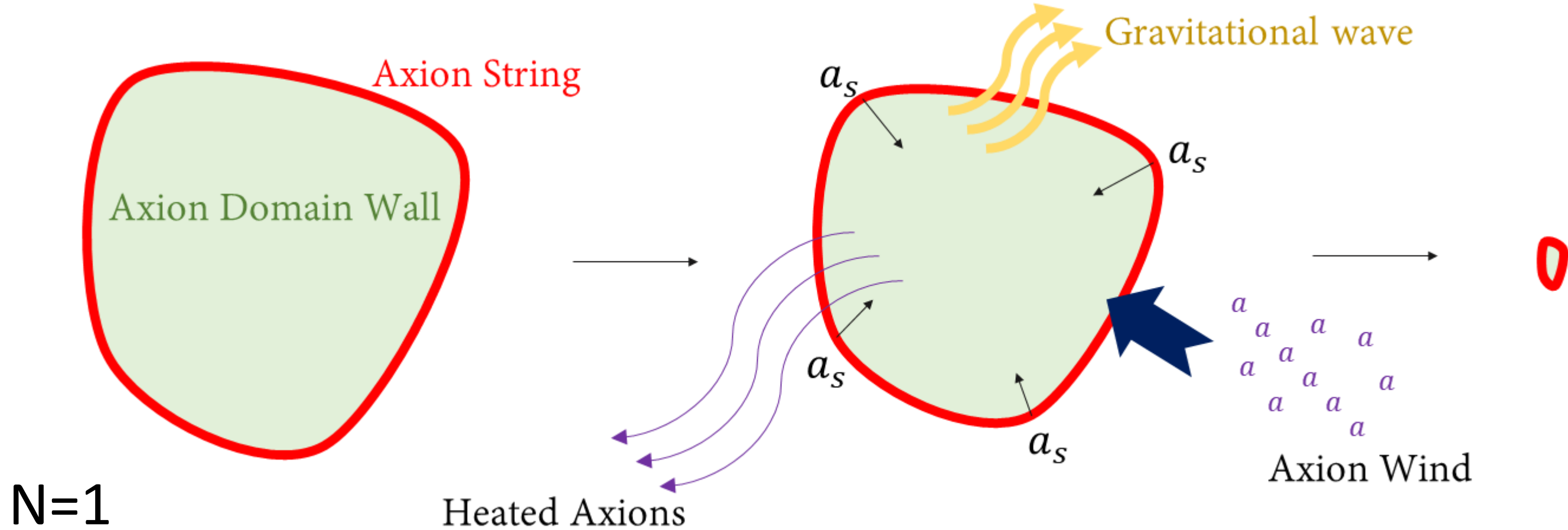
real space



Domain Wall

Λ_{QCD}





The Kibble mechanism for the formation of cosmic strings.

$$\Omega_{a,\text{Mis}} \simeq 0.19 \langle \theta_1^2 \rangle \left(\frac{f_a}{10^{12} \text{ GeV}} \right)^{1.19},$$

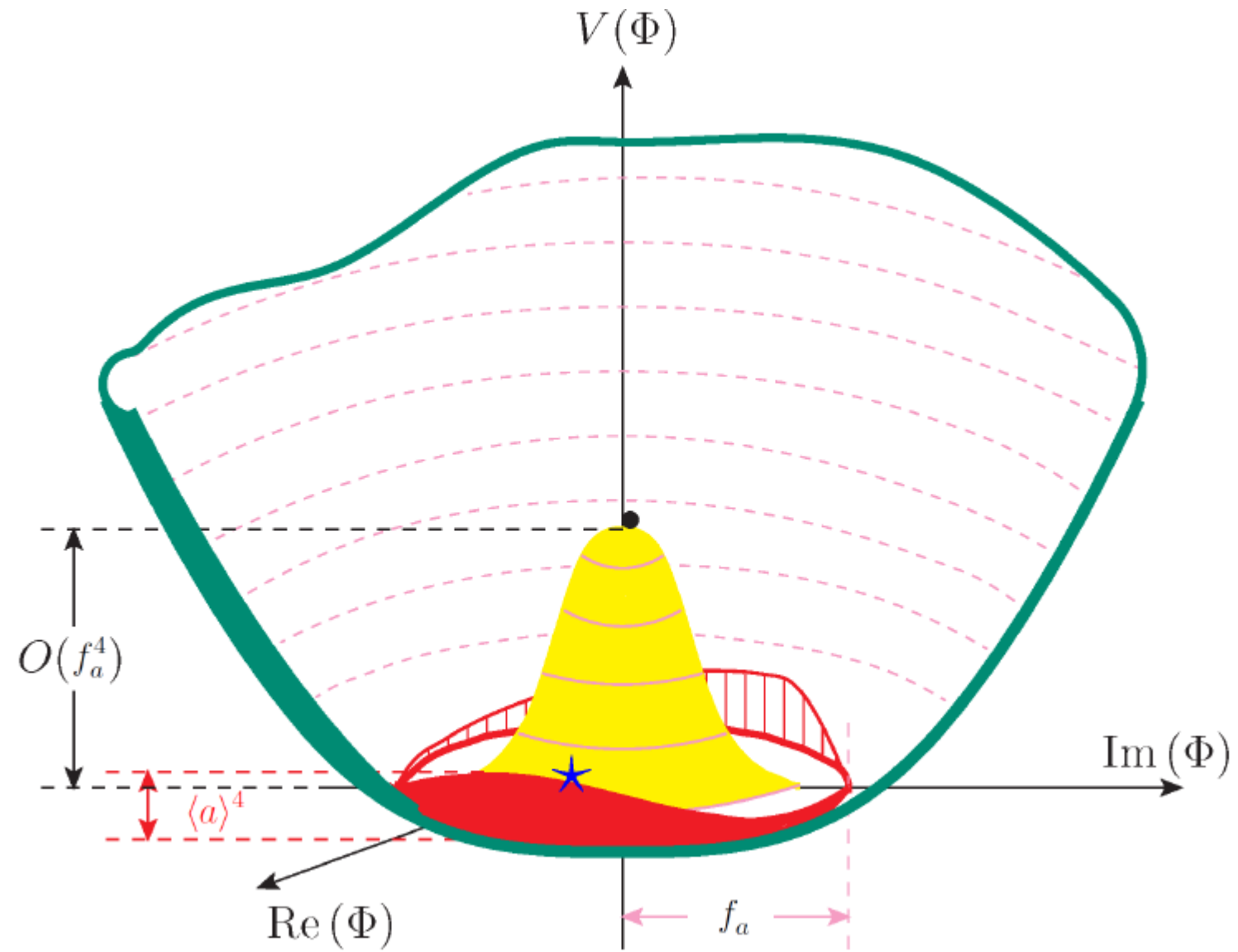
$$\Omega_{a,\text{str}} \simeq (4.0 \pm 2.0) \left(\frac{f_a}{10^{12} \text{ GeV}} \right)^{1.19},$$

$$\Omega_{a,\text{wall}} \simeq (11.8 \pm 5.7) \left(\frac{f_a}{10^{12} \text{ GeV}} \right)^{1.19},$$

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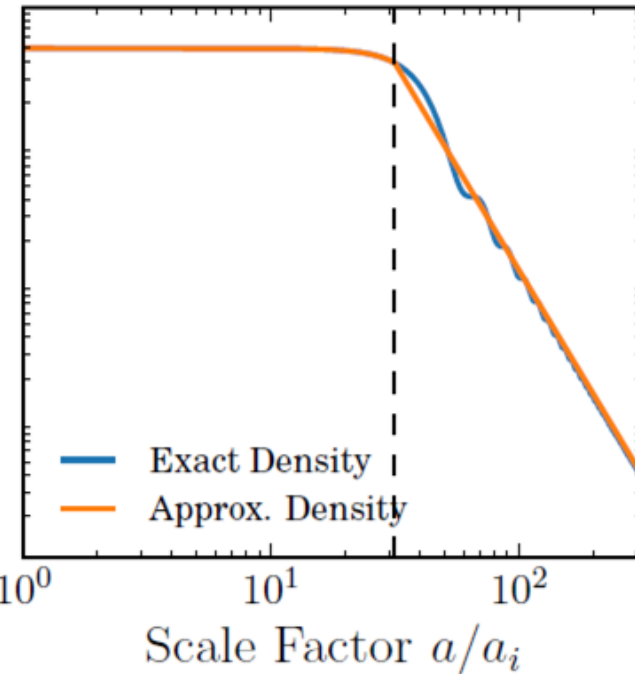
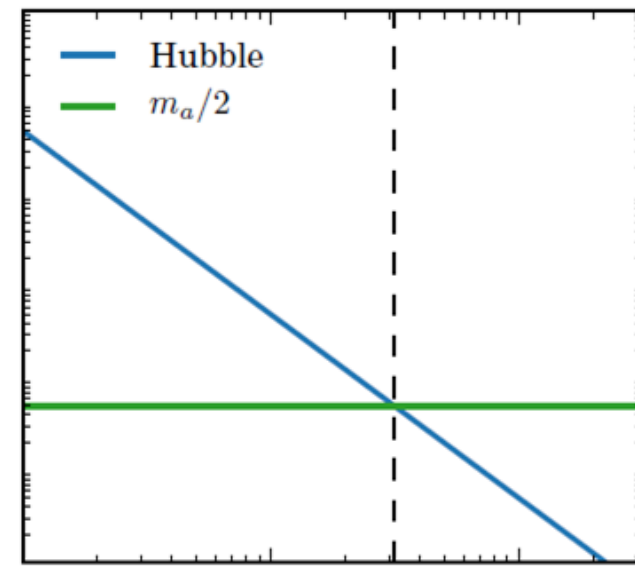
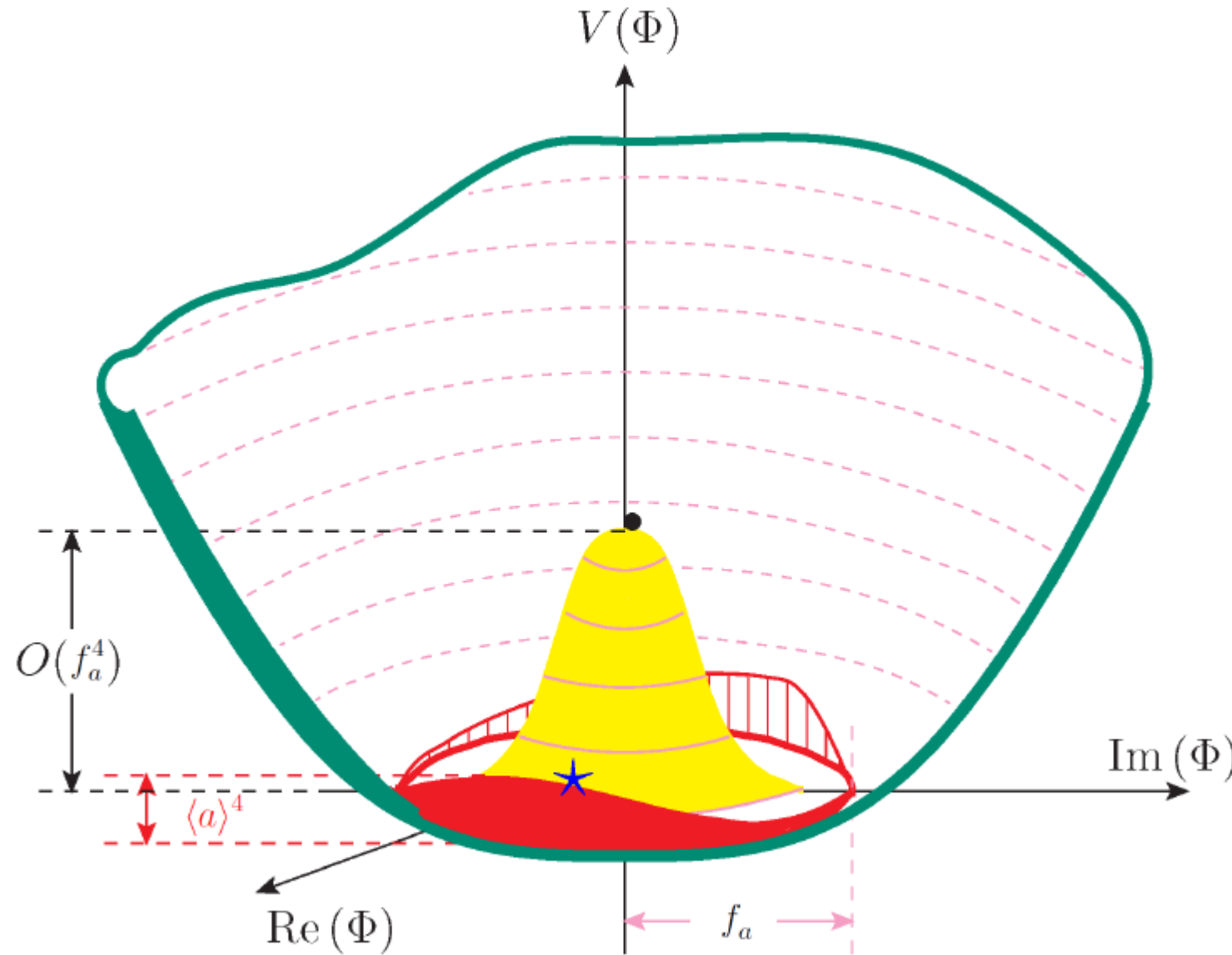
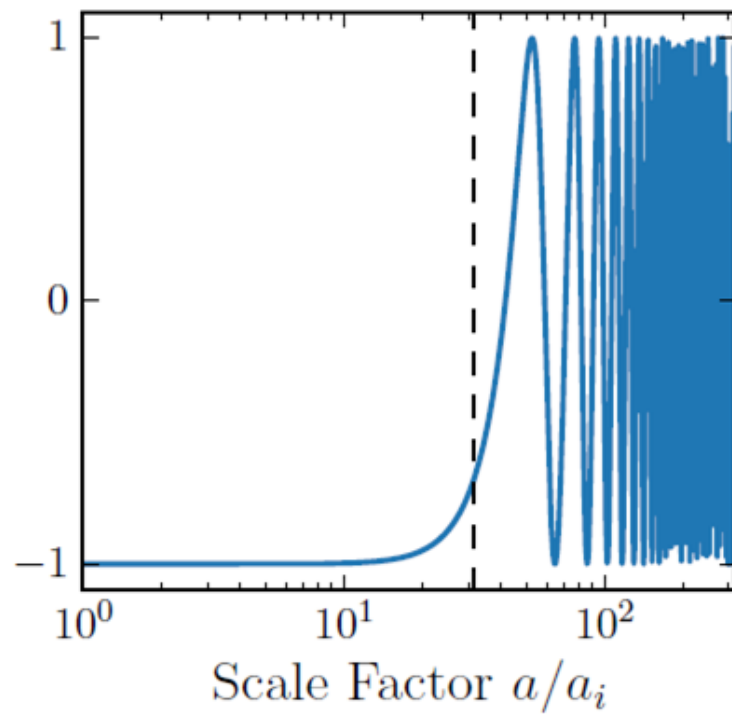
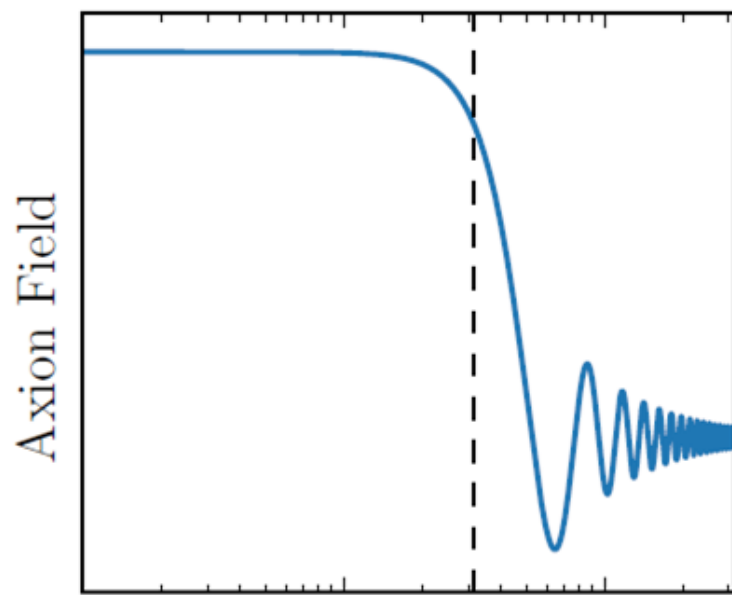
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Misalignment Mechanism



$$V(a) = m_a^2 f_a^2 \left[1 - \cos \left(\frac{a}{f_a} \right) \right] \simeq \frac{1}{2} m_a^2 a^2 + \dots$$

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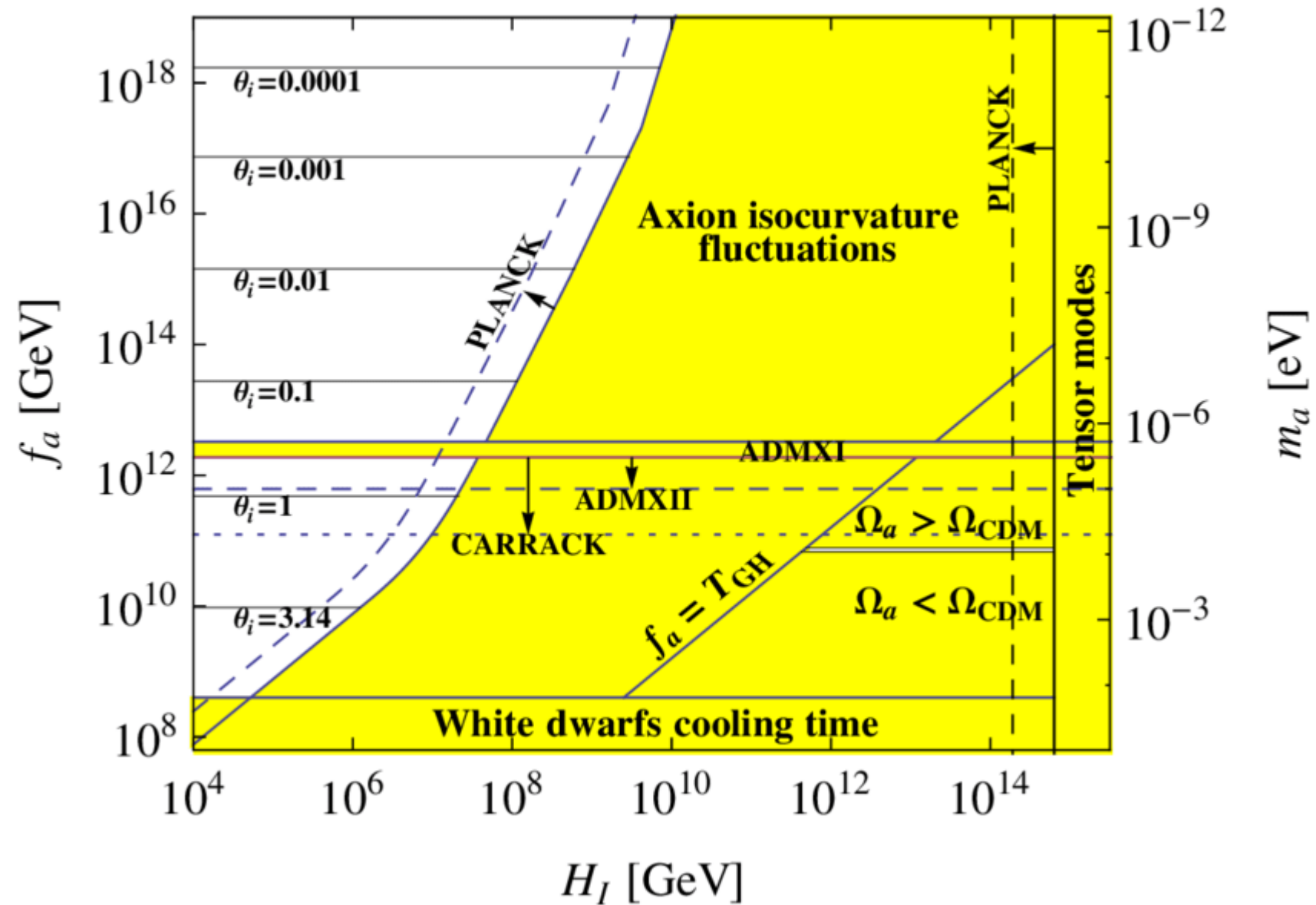
$$\ddot{a} + 3H\dot{a} + V'(a) = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \ddot{a} + m_a^2 a \simeq 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad a(t) = A(t) \cos(m_a t + C)$$

$$a(t_i) = f_a \theta_{a,i}, \quad \dot{a}(t_i) = 0,$$

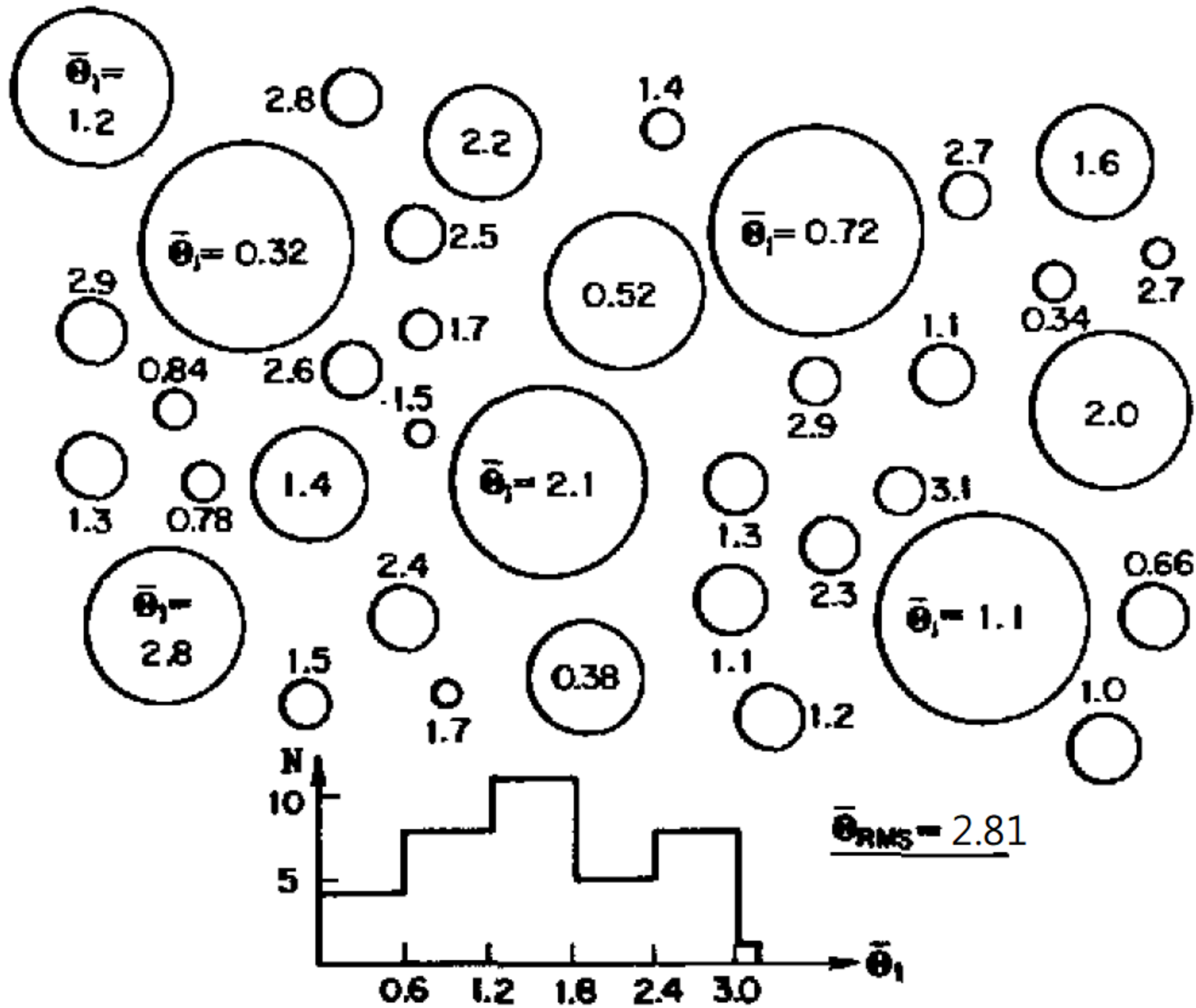
$$\rho_a = \frac{1}{2} \dot{a}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_a^2 a^2,$$

$$P_a = \frac{1}{2} \dot{a}^2 - \frac{1}{2} m_a^2 a^2.$$

$$\Omega_a = 0.02 \langle \theta_i^2 \rangle \left(\frac{f_a}{10^{11} \text{ GeV}} \right)^{7/6}$$



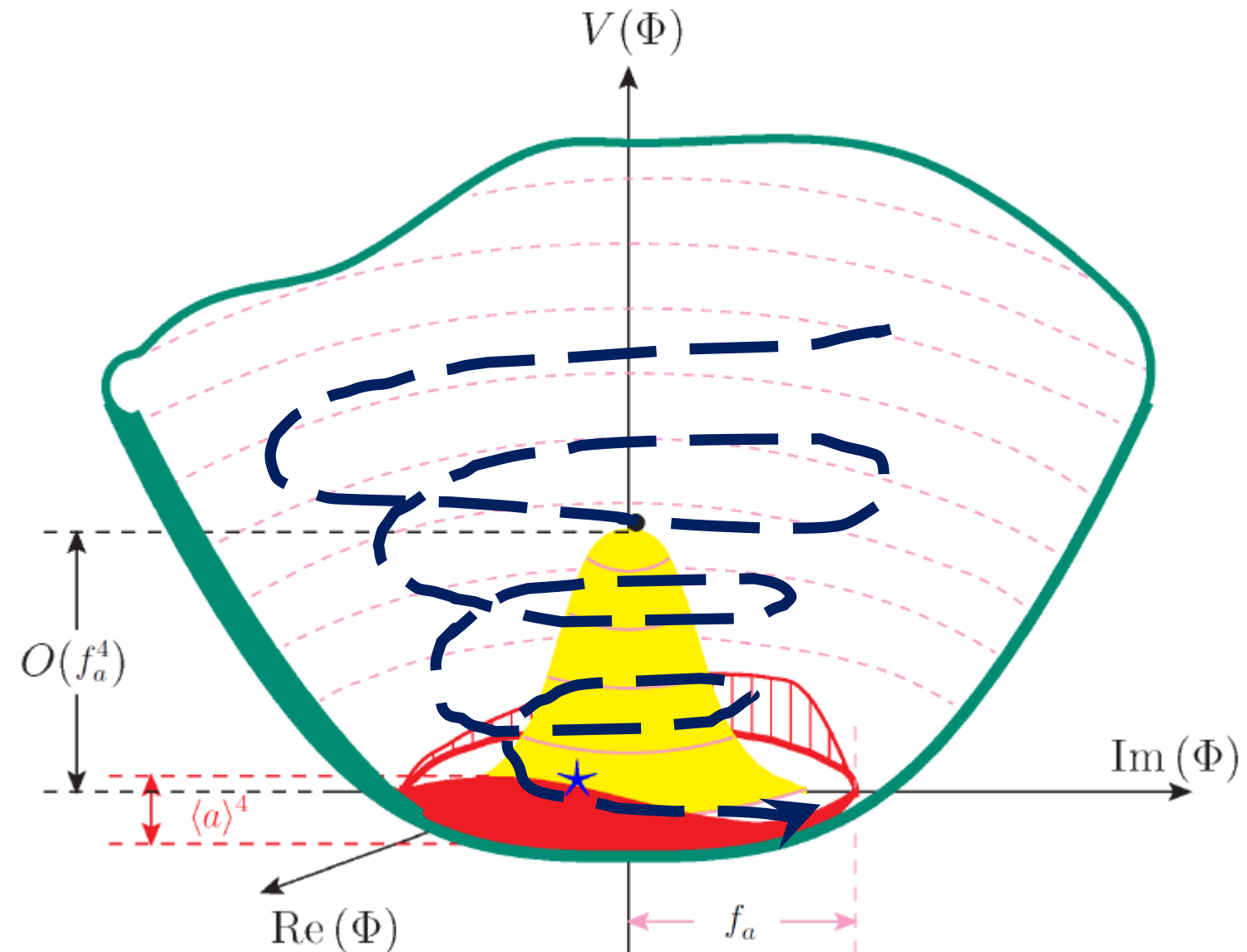
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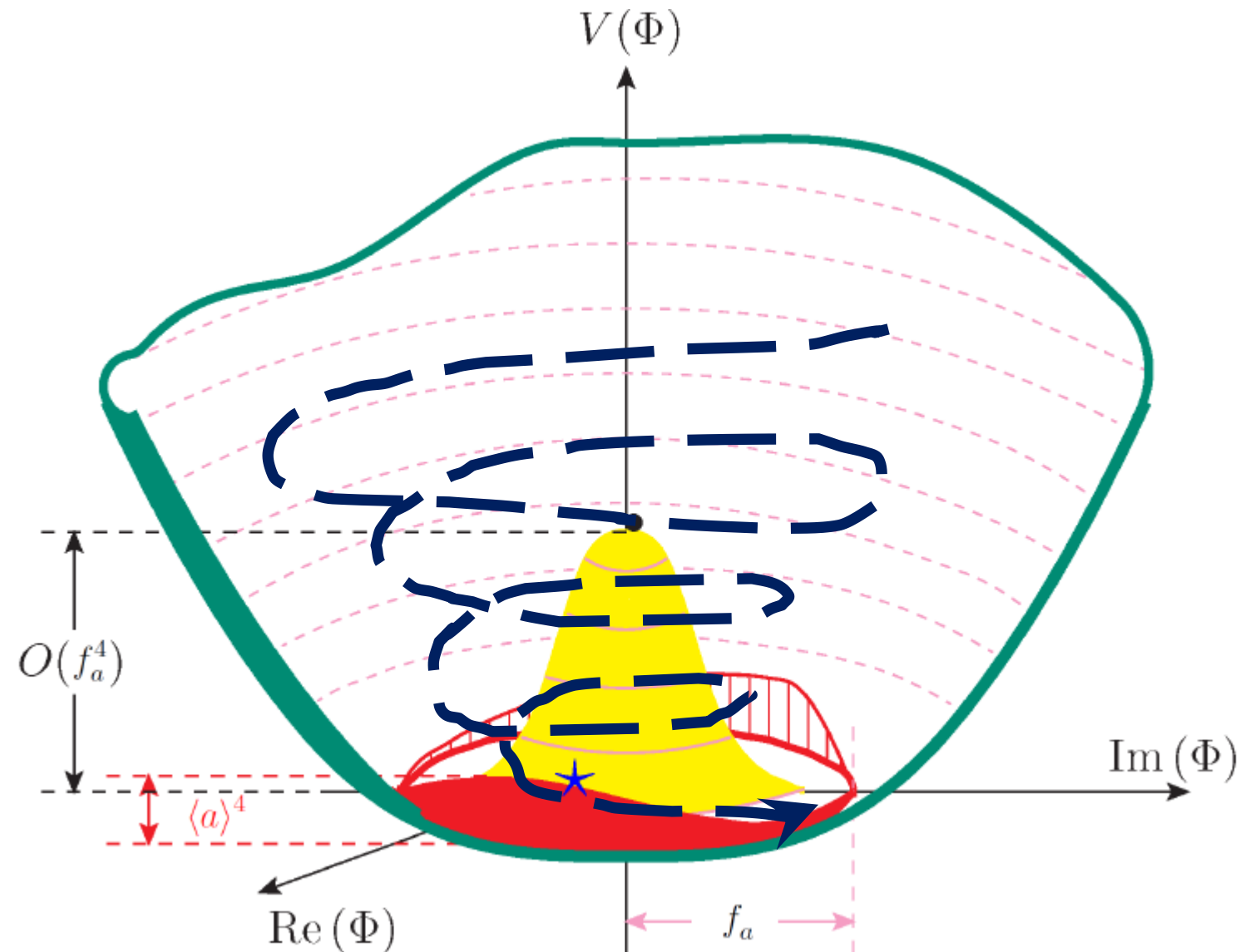


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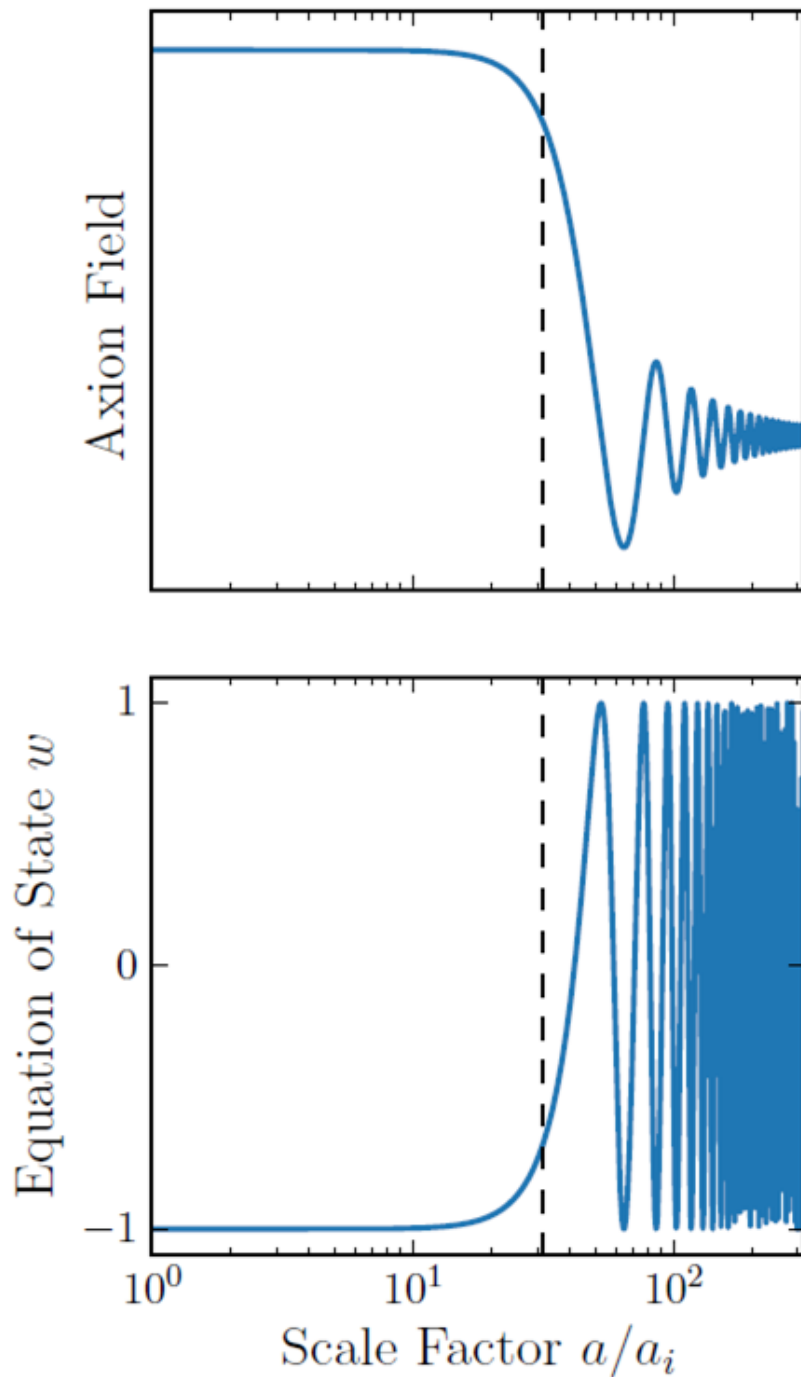
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$$\theta(t) \equiv a(t)/f_a \pmod{2\pi}$$

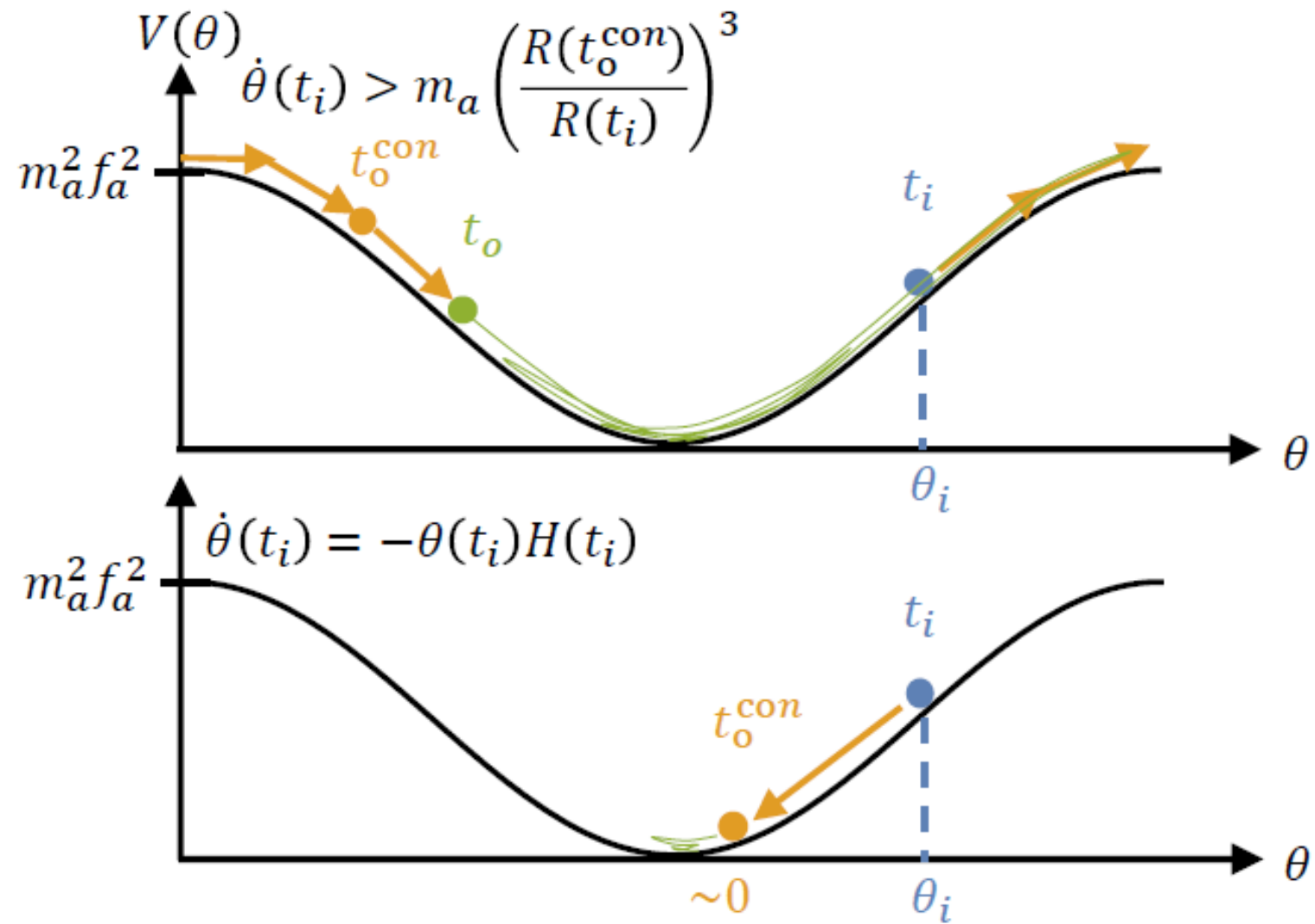
$$\theta(t) = \begin{cases} \theta_i + \frac{\dot{\theta}_i}{H_i} \left(\frac{2}{6-n} \right) \left[1 - \left(\frac{R(t)}{R(t_i)} \right)^{n/2-3} \right], & (n \neq 6) \\ \theta_i + \frac{\dot{\theta}_i}{3H_i} \ln \left[\frac{t}{t_i} \right], & (n = 6) \end{cases}$$

$$\dot{\theta}(t) = \dot{\theta}_i \left(\frac{R(t_i)}{R(t)} \right)^3.$$

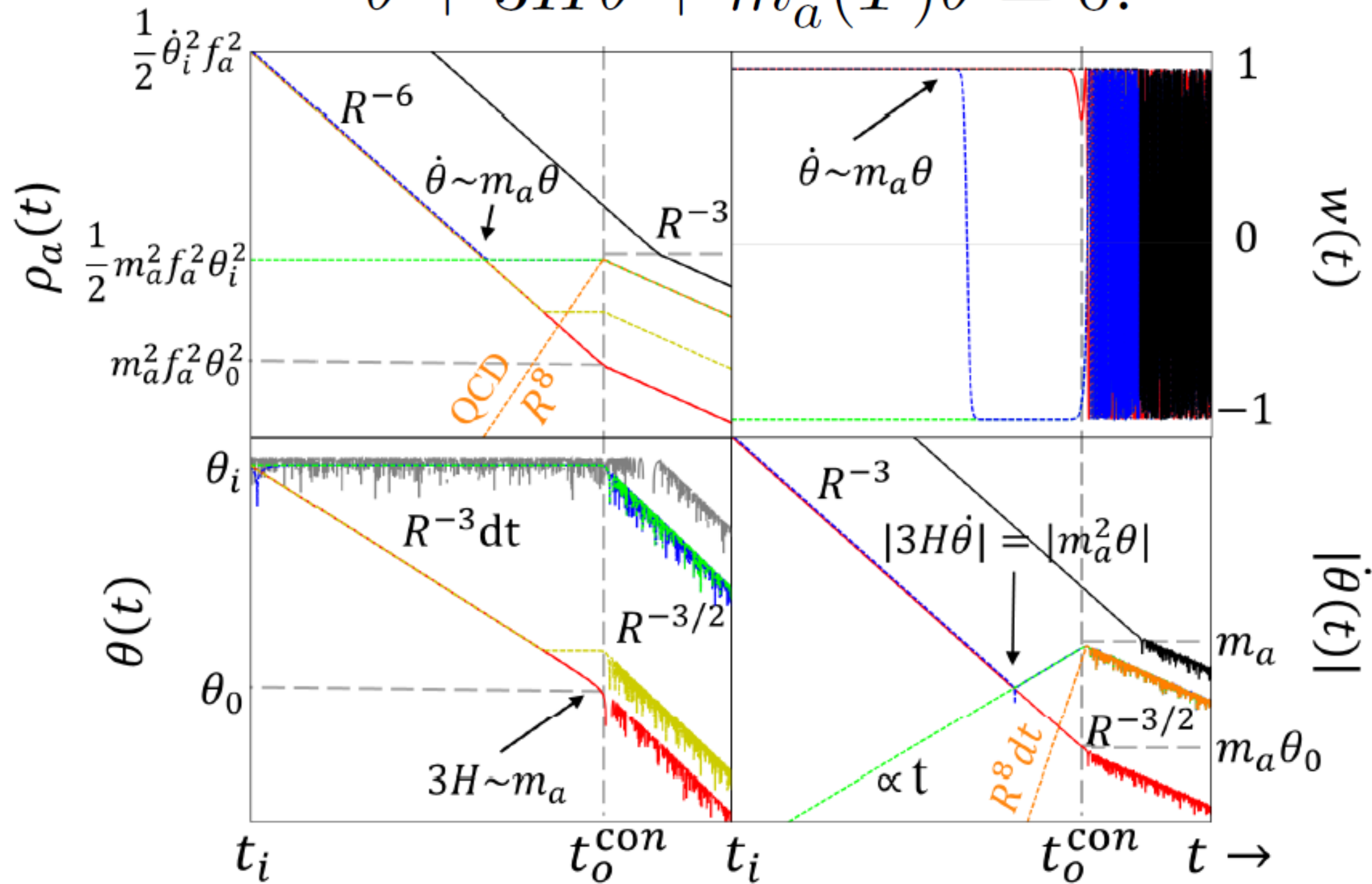
Conventional Misalignment



Kinetic Misalignment

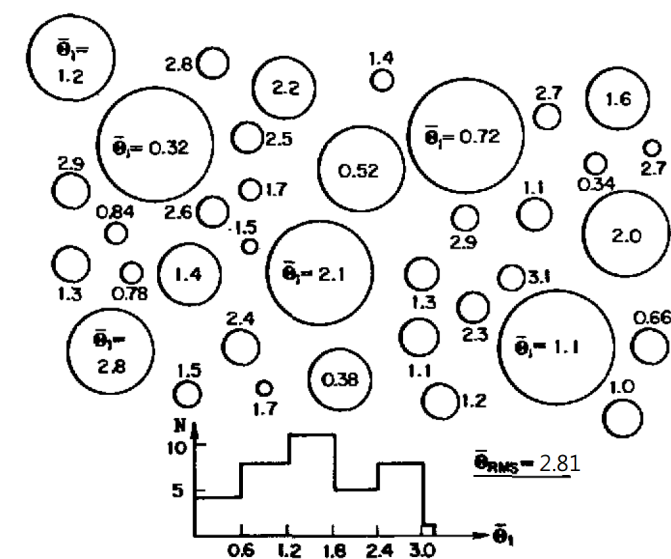
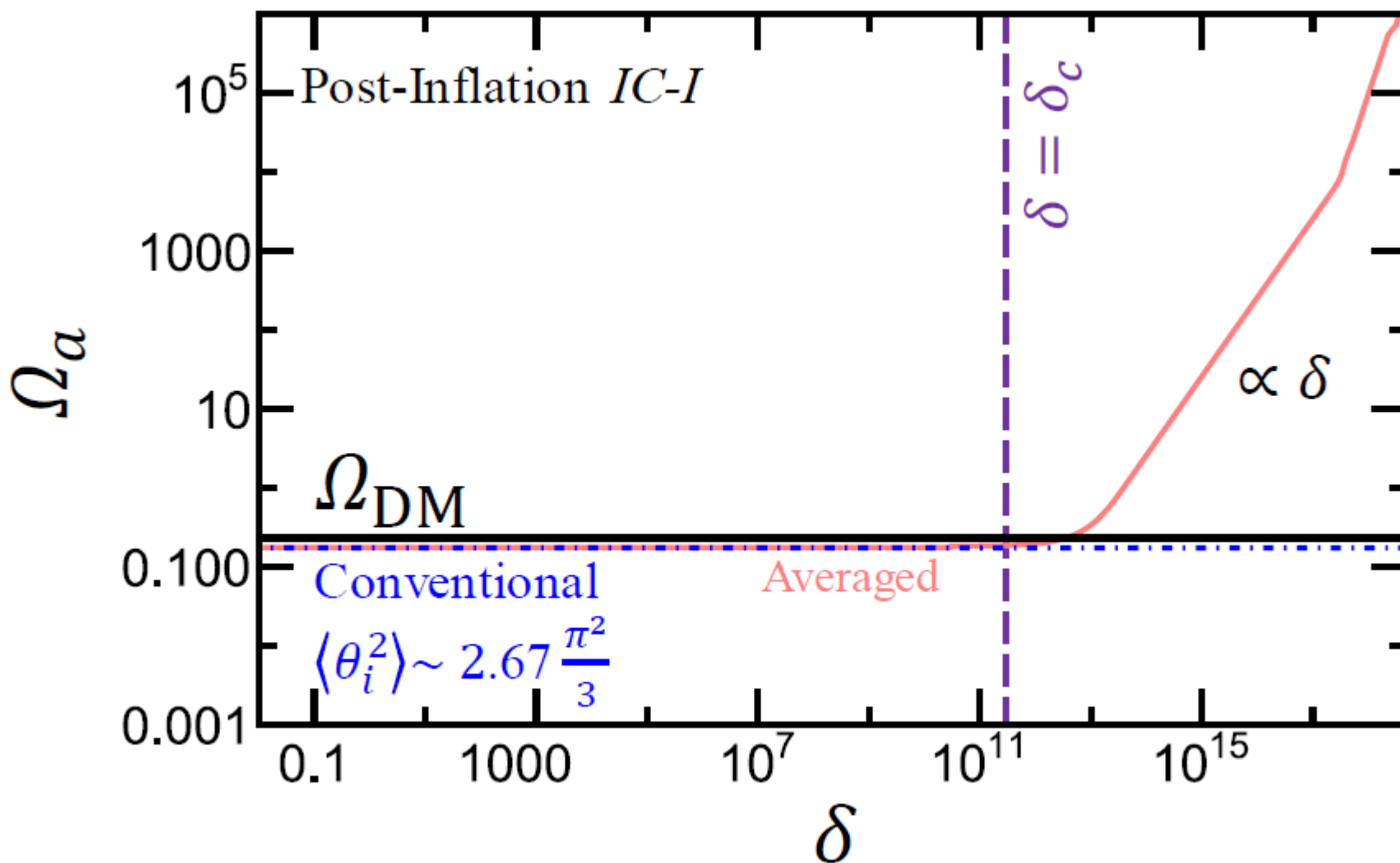


$$\ddot{\theta} + 3H\dot{\theta} + m_a^2(T)\theta = 0.$$



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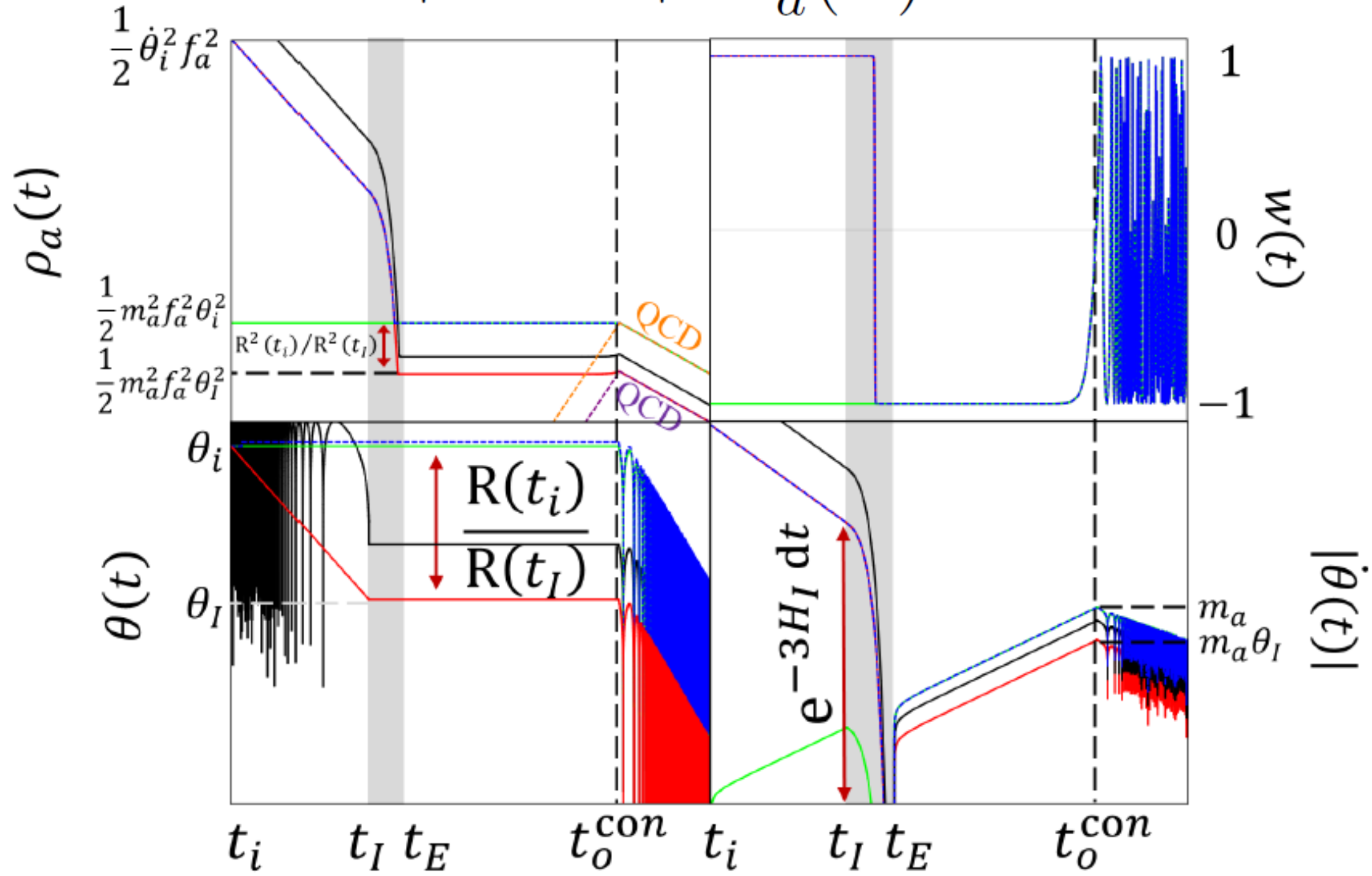
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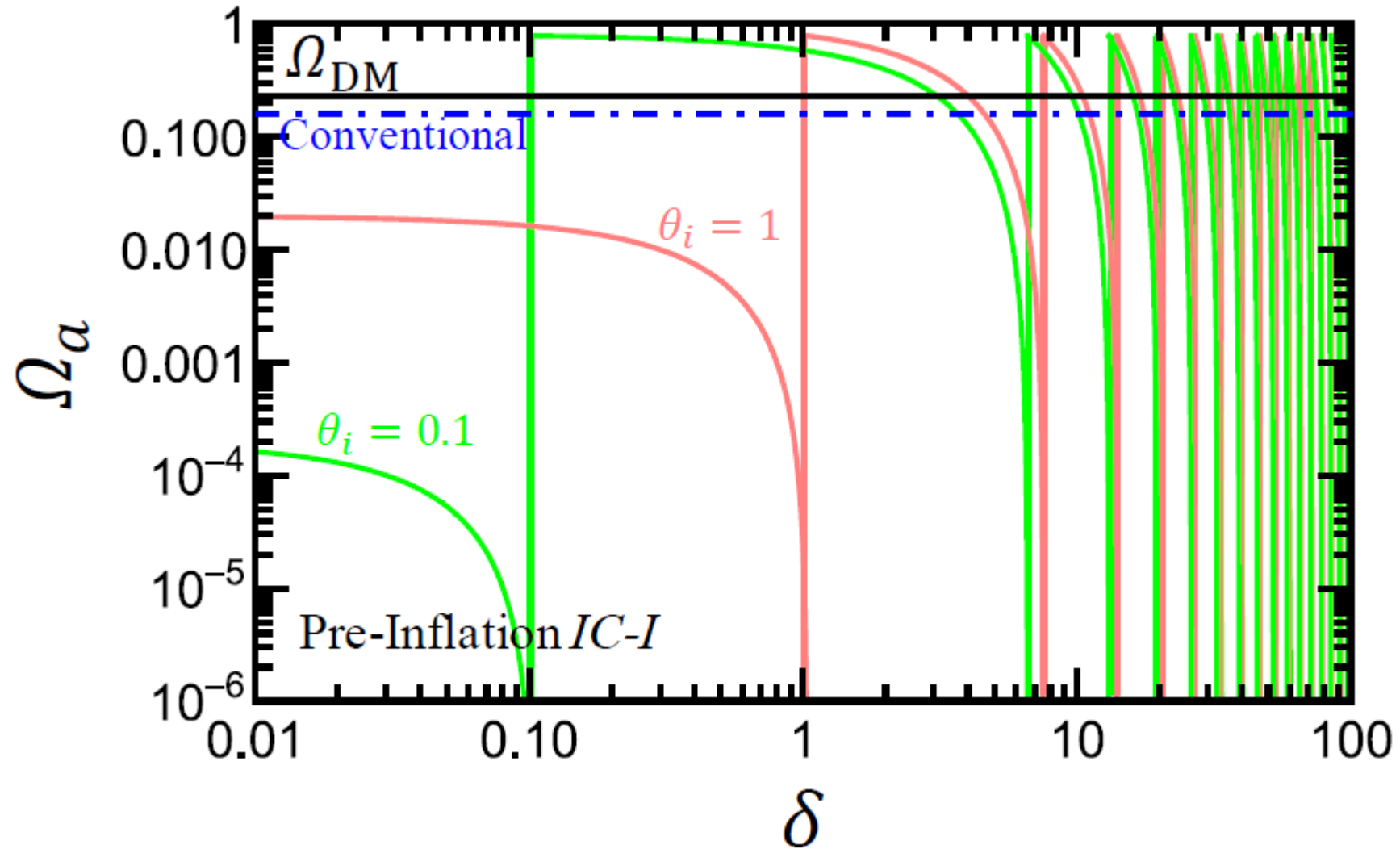
$$\Omega_a^{\text{post-I}} \simeq \begin{cases} \Omega_a^{\text{con}} = 0.02 \langle \theta_o^2 \rangle \left(\frac{f_a}{10^{11} \text{ GeV}} \right)^{7/6}, & \delta < \delta_c \\ \Omega_a^{\text{con}} \frac{\delta}{\delta_c} \simeq 0.01 \langle \theta_o^2 \rangle \left(\frac{\delta}{10^{11}} \right), & \delta \geq \delta_c, \end{cases}$$

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Pre-Inflation

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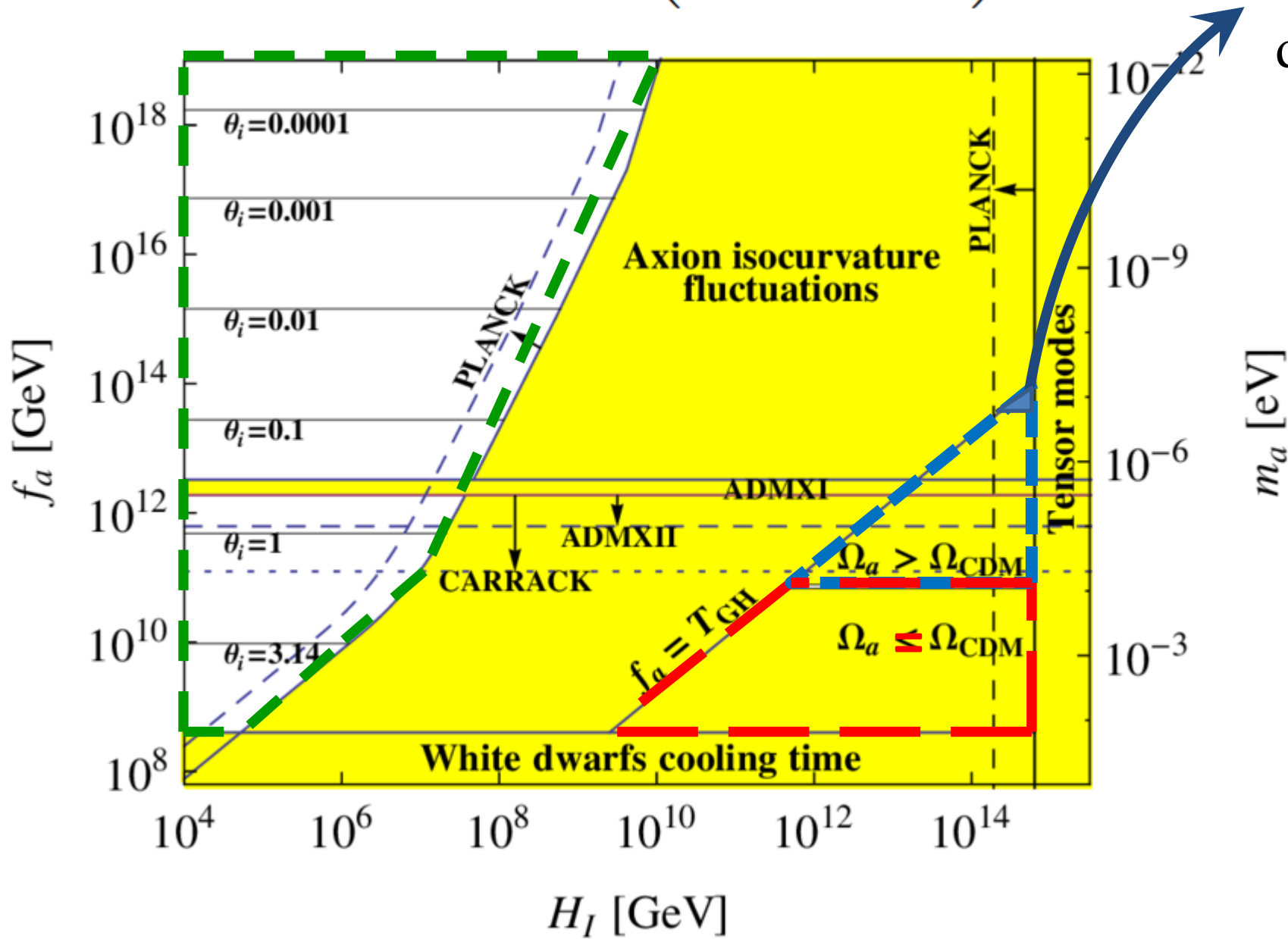


Pre-Inflation

$$\Omega_a^{\text{pre-I}} = \Omega_a^{\text{con}} \frac{\theta_I^2}{\langle \theta_o^2 \rangle},$$

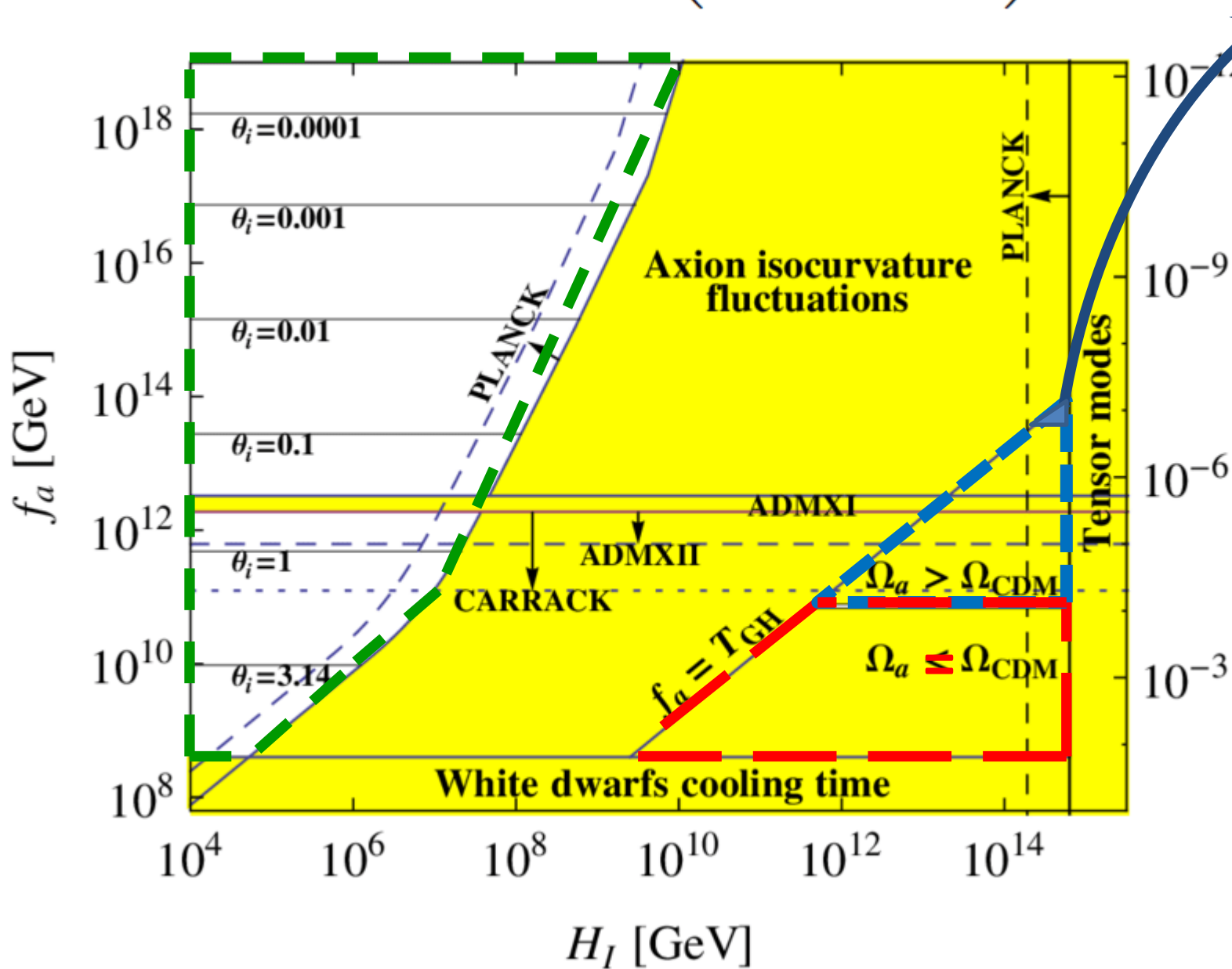
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Stochastic GW from axion
Strings are within future GW
detector sensitivities



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Hints for Model Building ?

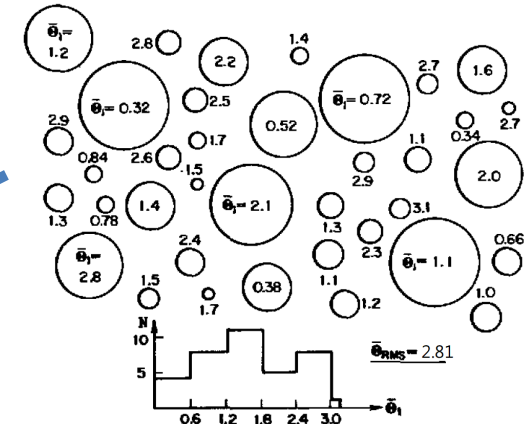


$$\dot{\theta}_i = -(1 - \gamma)\theta_i H_i$$

$$\theta(t) = \theta_i \left[\gamma + (1 - \gamma) \left(\frac{R(t_i)}{R(t)} \right) \right]$$

m_a [eV]

$$\theta_i \rightarrow \theta_i + \epsilon(x),$$



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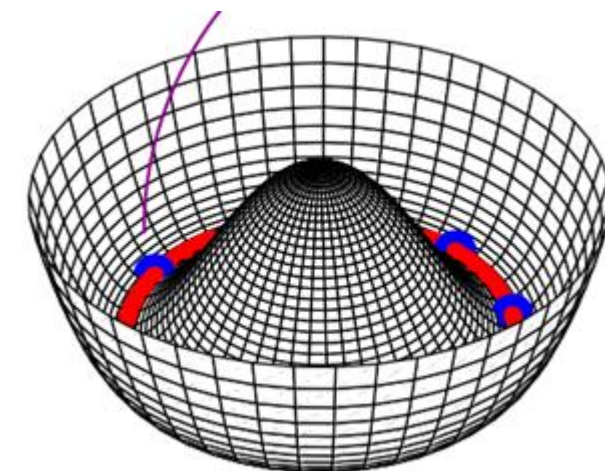
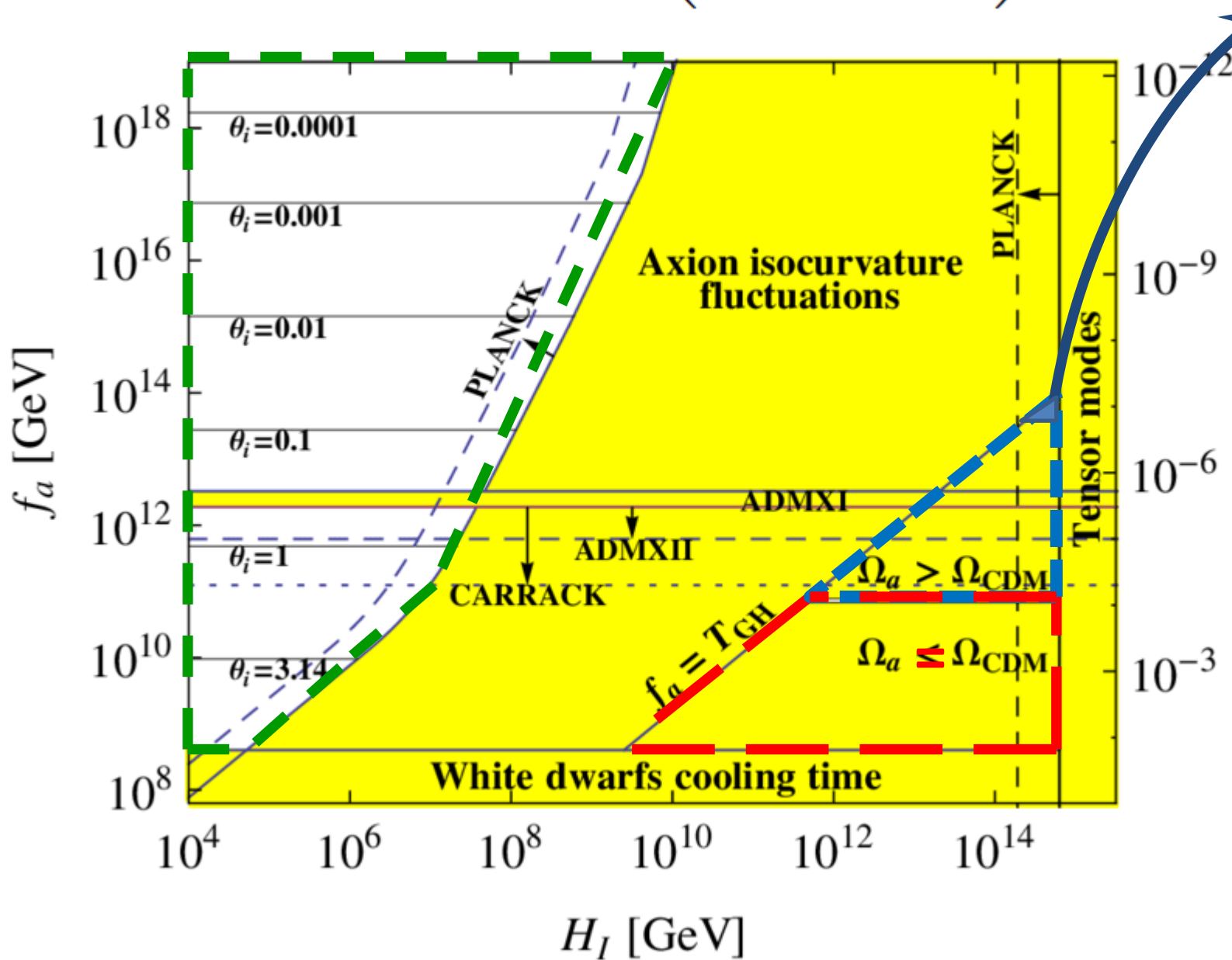
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Condition for the strongly suppressed axion energy density:

$$\dot{\theta}_i \propto \theta_i$$

$$U(1)_a$$



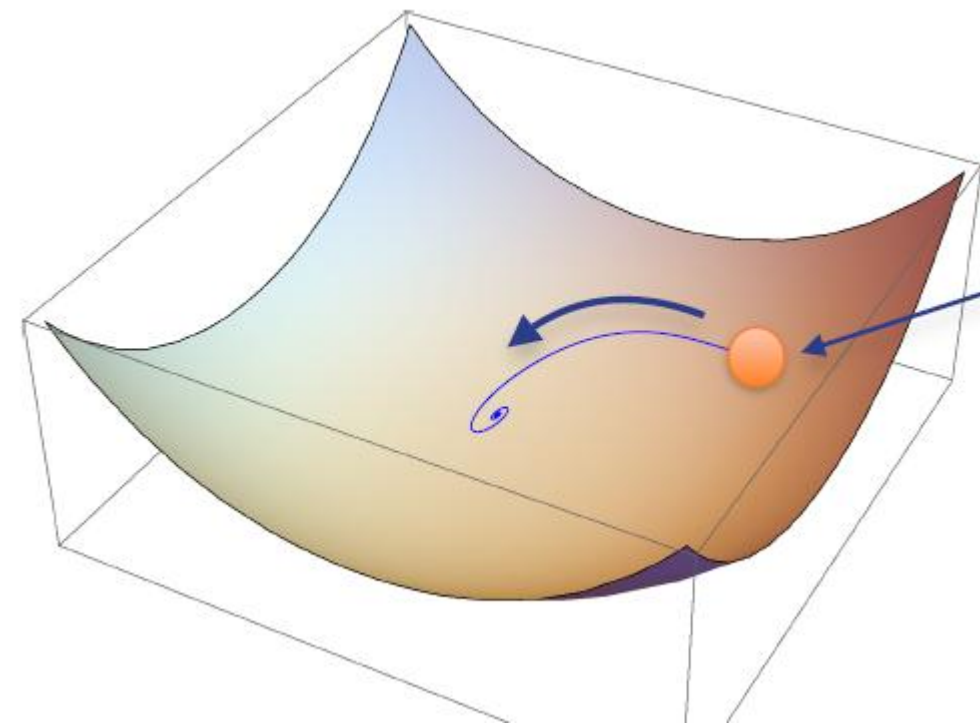
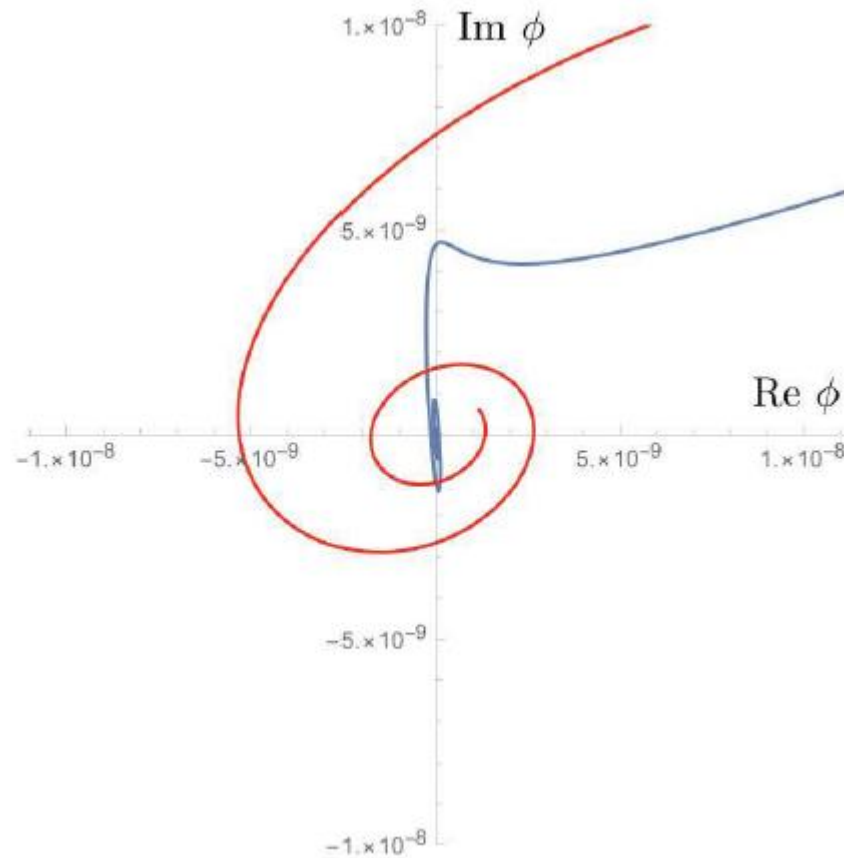
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1. Example for the non-zero initial velocity: Affleck-Dine Mechanism

$$\mathcal{L} \supset c_0 \chi^\dagger \chi \phi^\dagger \phi. \quad \rho \propto \langle \chi^\dagger \chi \rangle. \quad \mathcal{L} \supset c'_0 \langle \chi^\dagger \chi \rangle \phi^\dagger \phi = -cH^2 \phi^\dagger \phi,$$

$$\rho = 3H^2 M_{\text{Pl}}^2$$

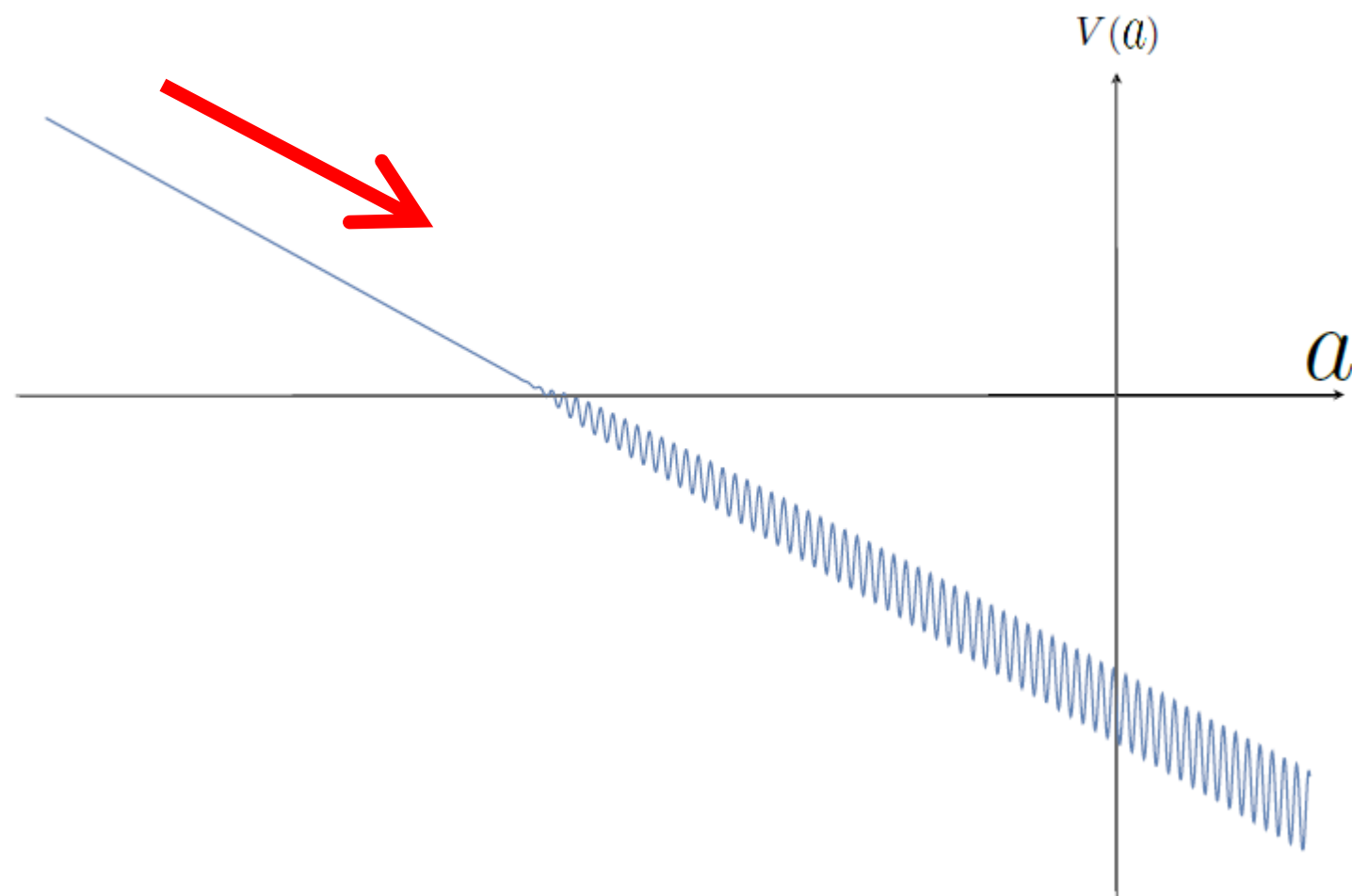
$$[\partial_t^2 |\psi| - |\psi| (\partial_t \theta)^2] + 3H \partial_t |\psi| + m^2 |\psi| - cH^2(t) |\psi| + \mathcal{O}(\phi^3) = 0$$



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2. Example for the PQ U(1) symmetry breaking before QCD scale: Relaxion

$$(-M^2 + ga)|h|^2 + \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \frac{a}{f} \tilde{G}^{\mu\nu} G_{\mu\nu} + (gM^2 a + g^2 a^2 + \dots) + \Lambda^4 \cos(a/f)$$

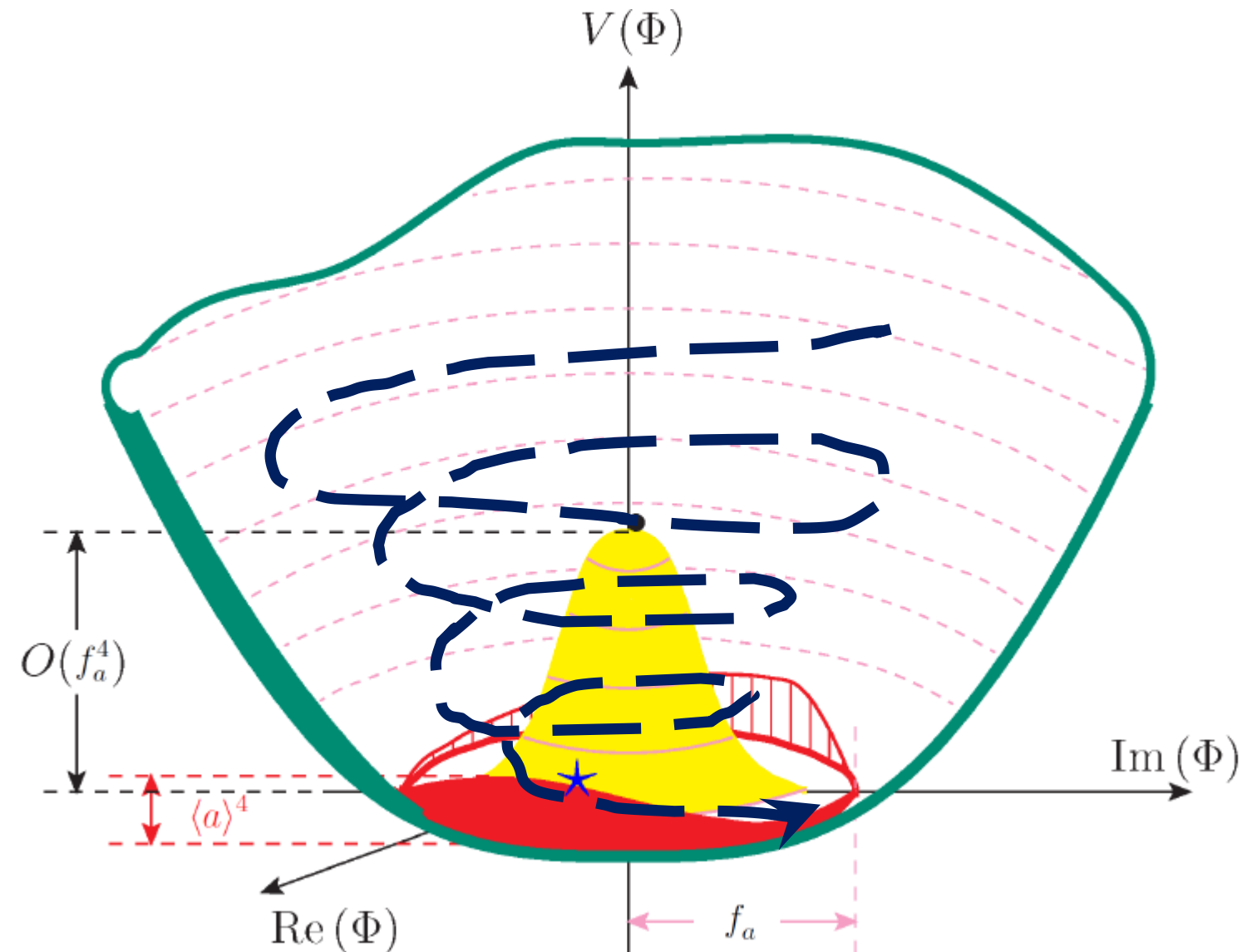


~~$$a(x) \rightarrow a(x) + \alpha f_a$$~~

~~$$U(1)_a$$~~

Conclusion and Discussion

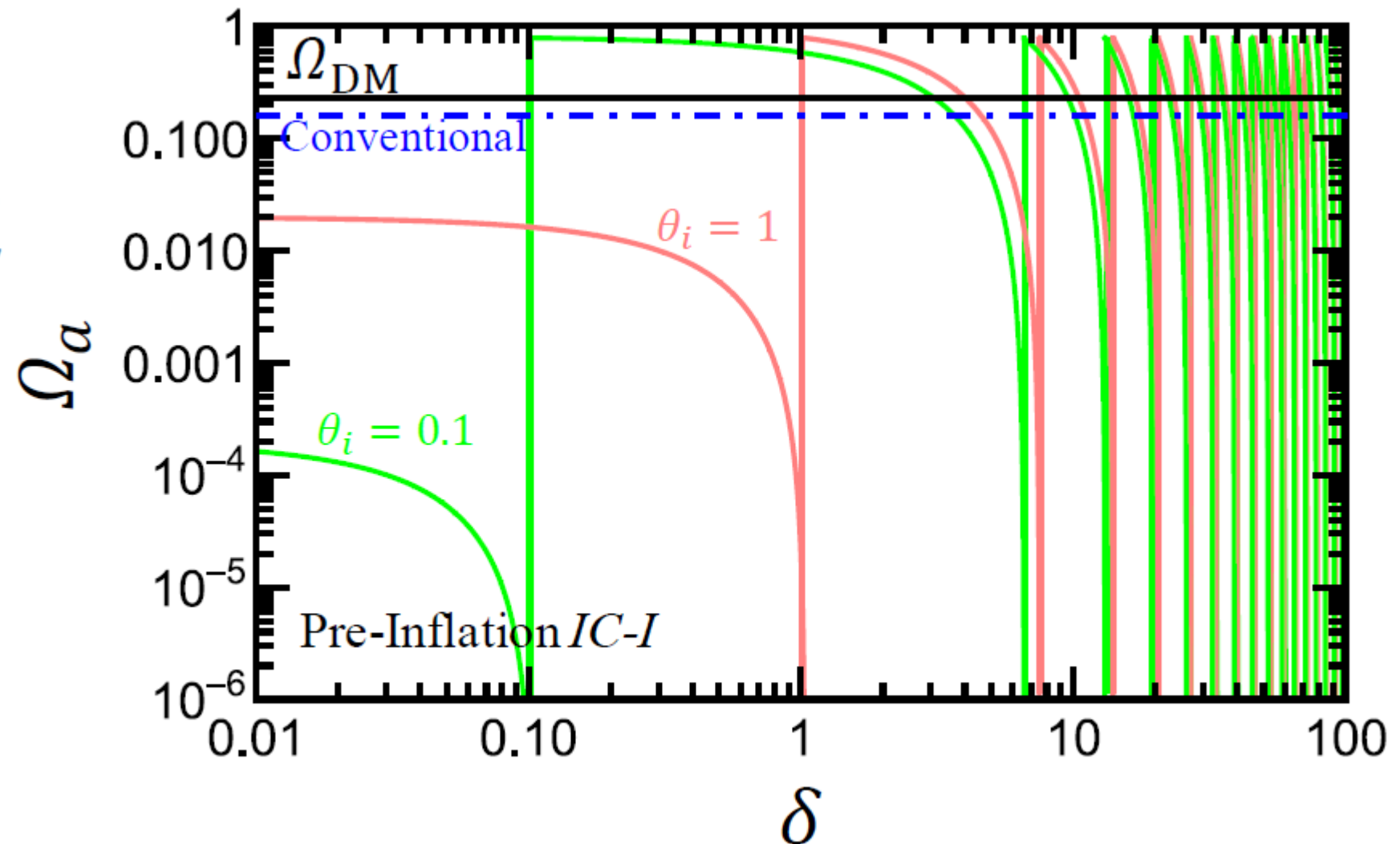
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3. The random distribution of axion field value in post-inflation scenario do wash out its suppression (not small axion relic density). There should be other new mechanism (~~U(1)~~) to generate the suppressed field value.

$$\dot{\theta}_i \propto \theta_i \longrightarrow \text{~~U(1)}_a~~$$

Thank you