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Abstract:

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- metric perturbation & time slicing
- δN formalism

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- gradient expansion, conservation law
- local Friedmann equation

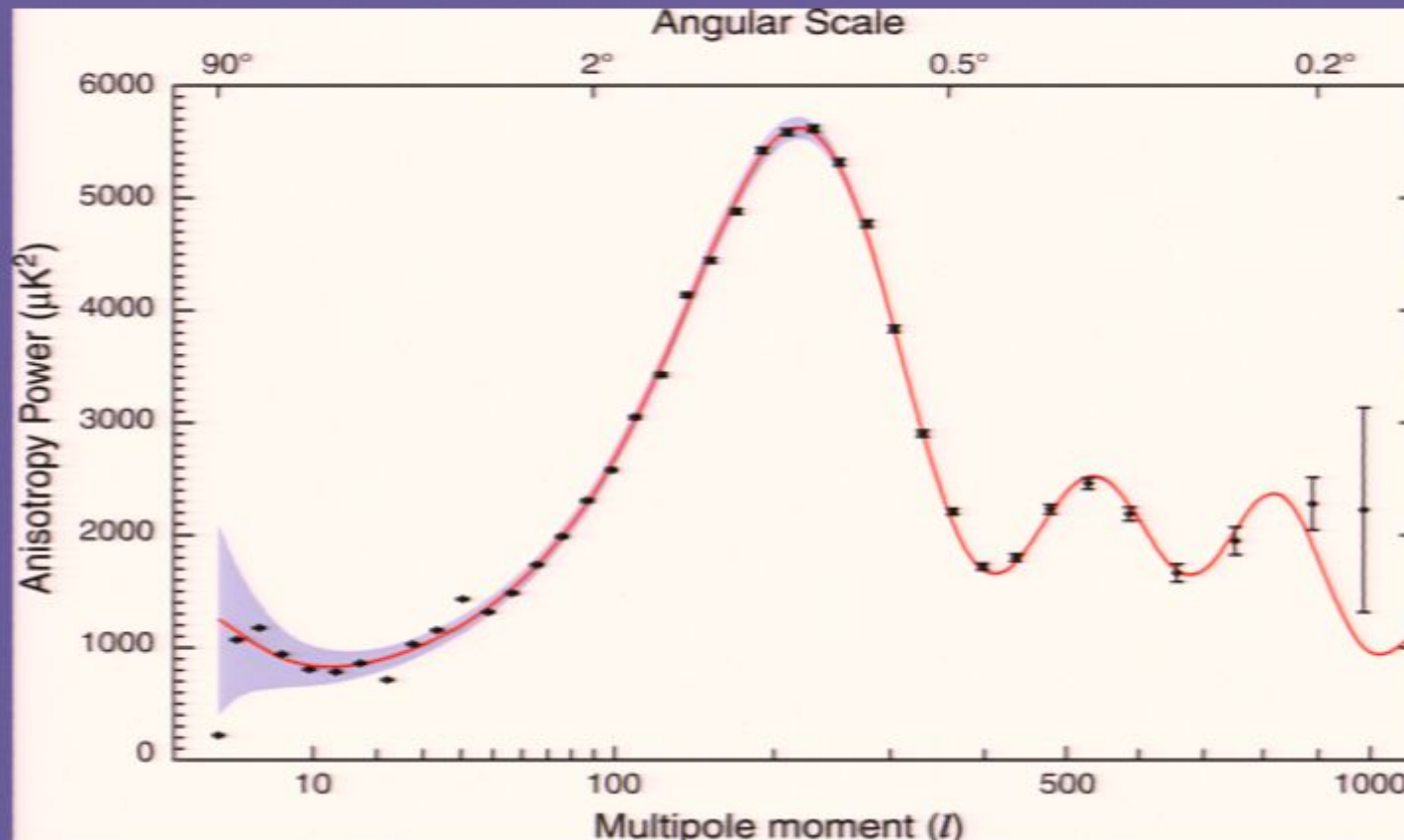
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- diagrammatic method for ΔN
- IR divergence issue

5. Summary

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- CMB (**WMAP**) is consistent with the prediction.
- **Linear** perturbation theory seems to be valid.

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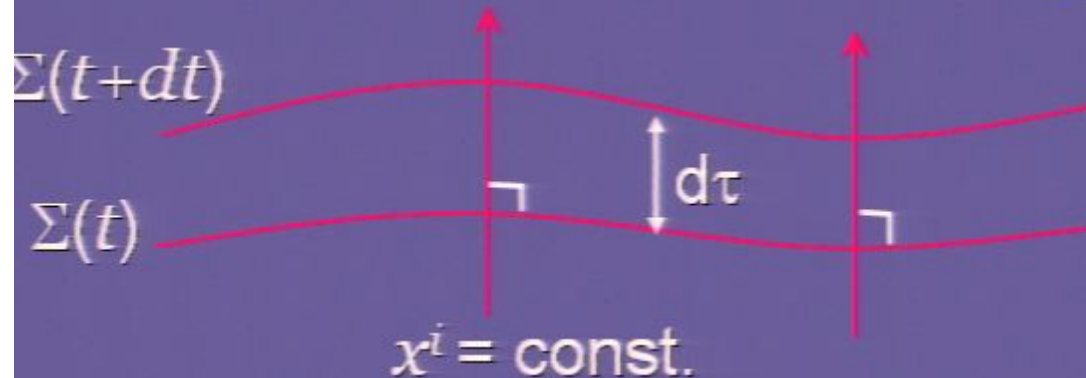
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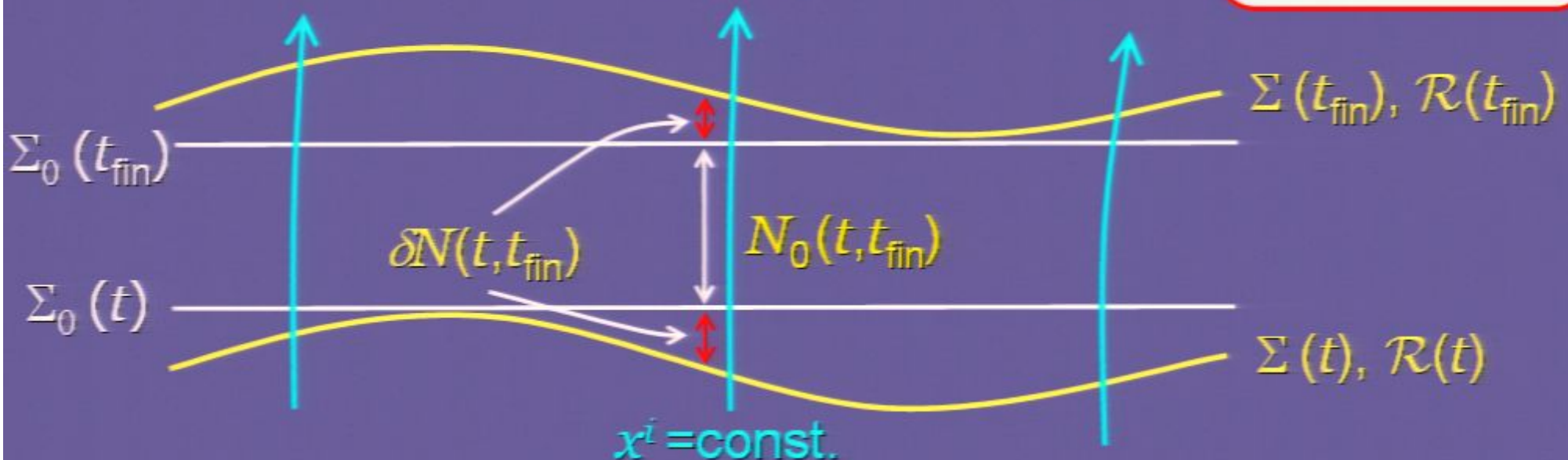
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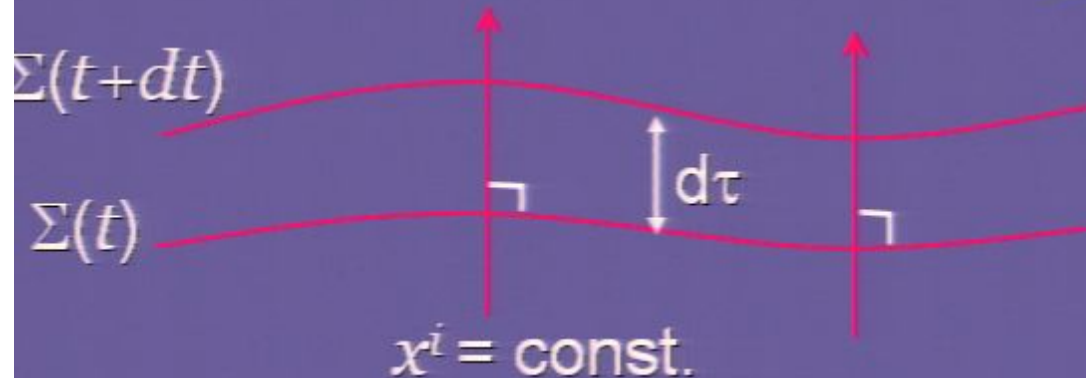
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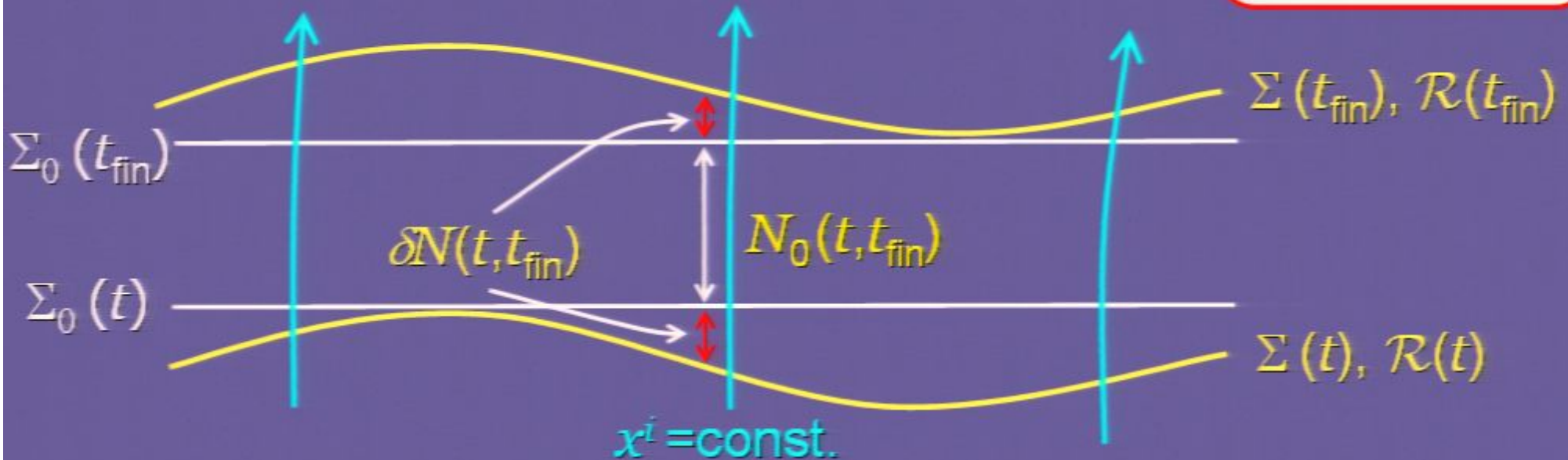
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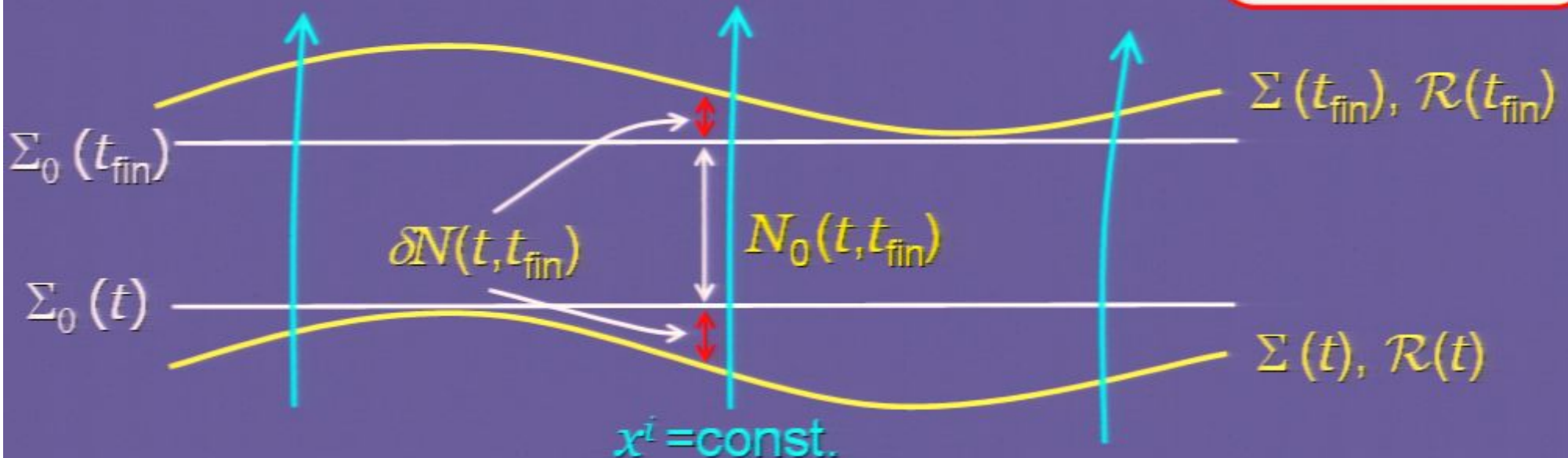
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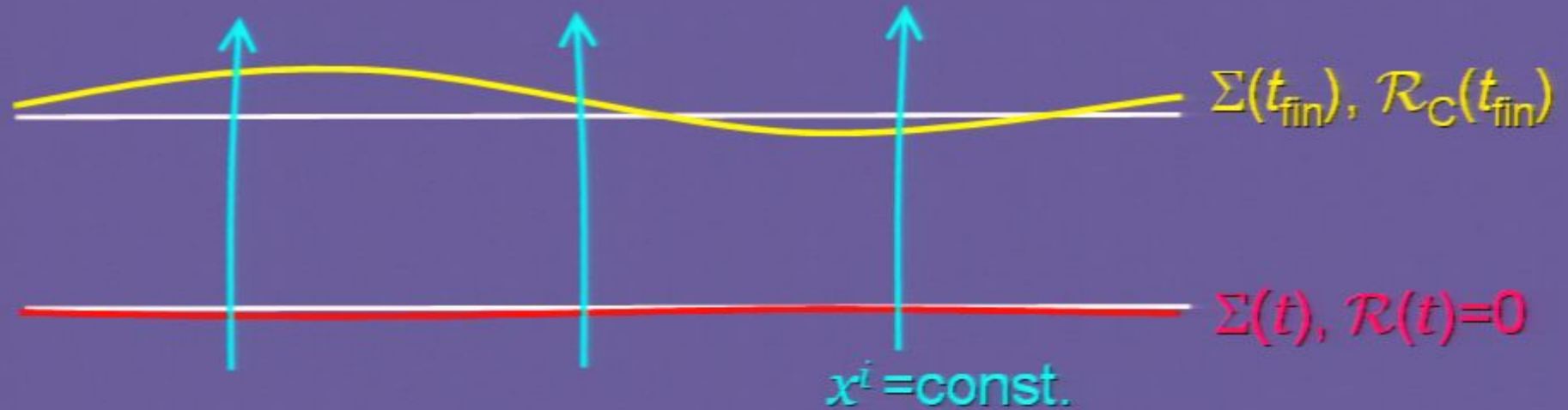
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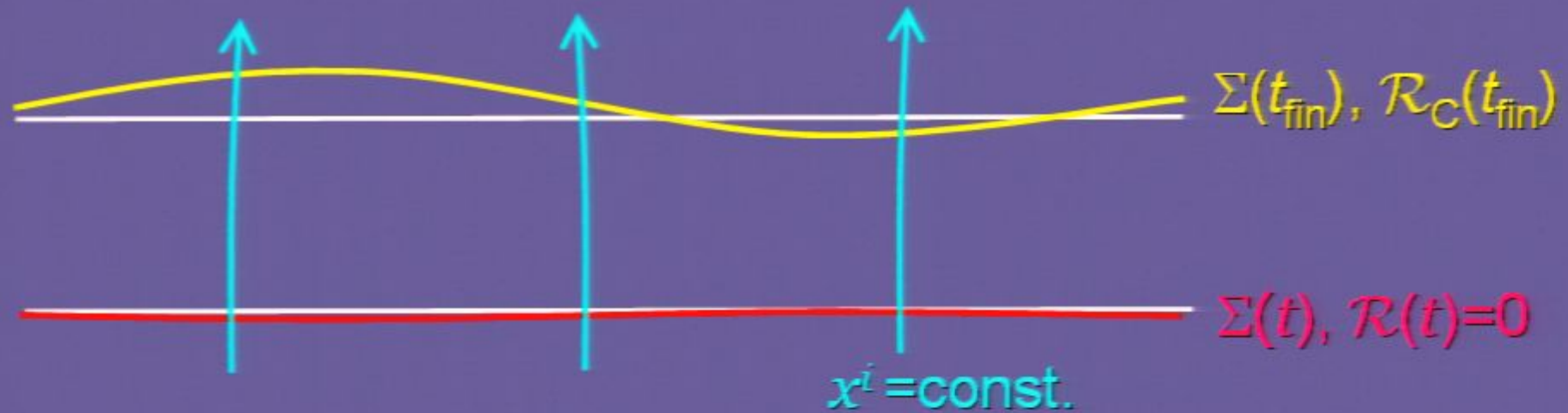


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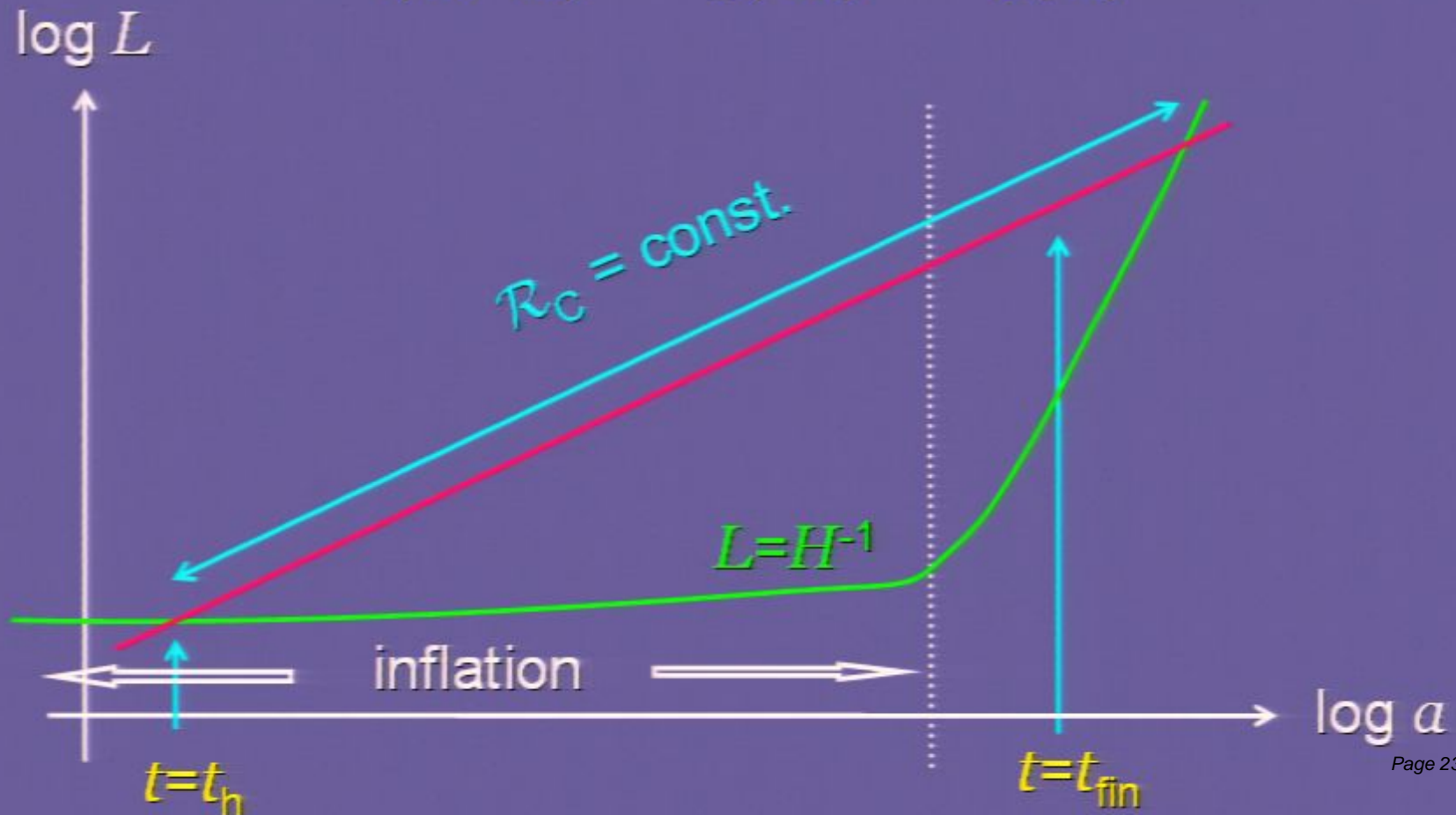
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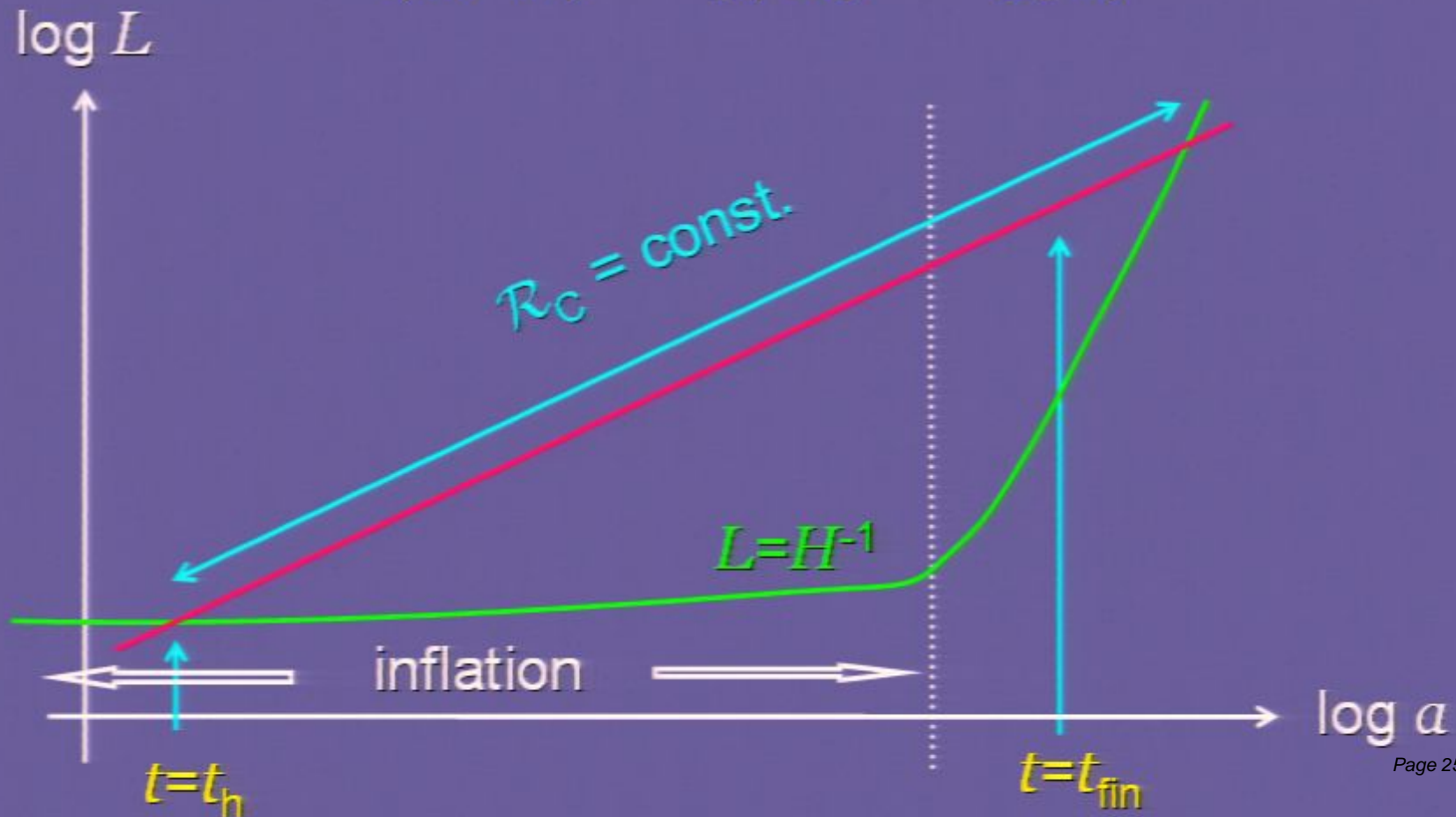
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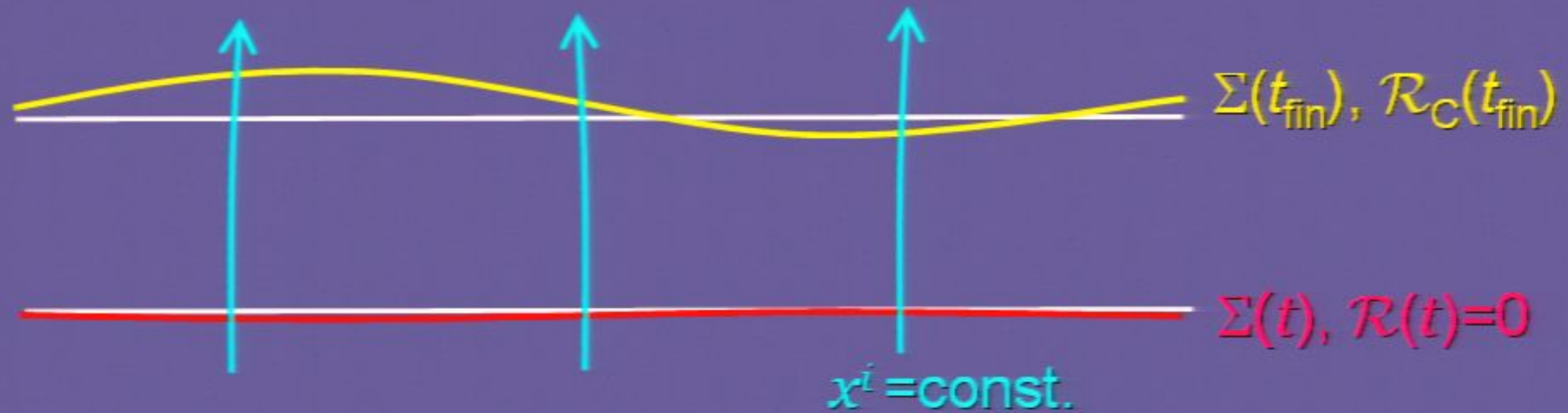


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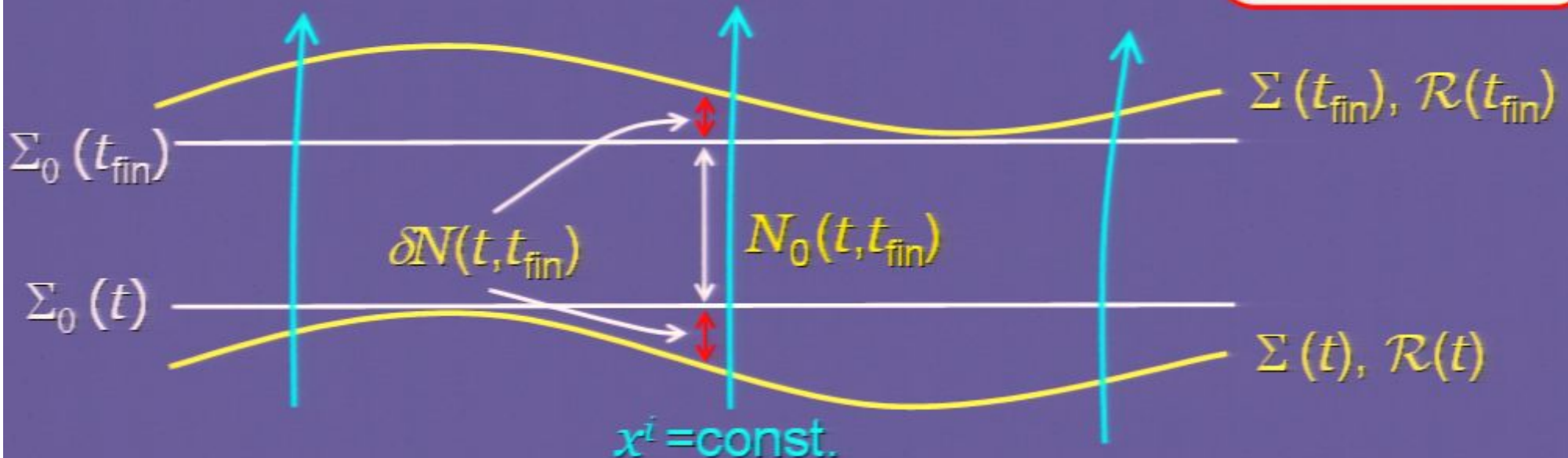
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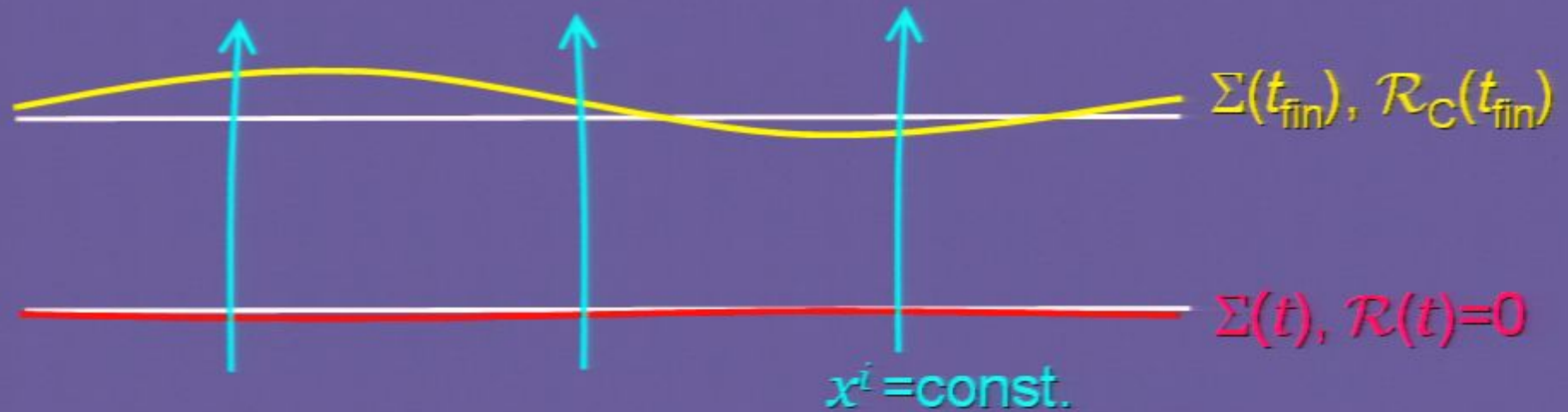
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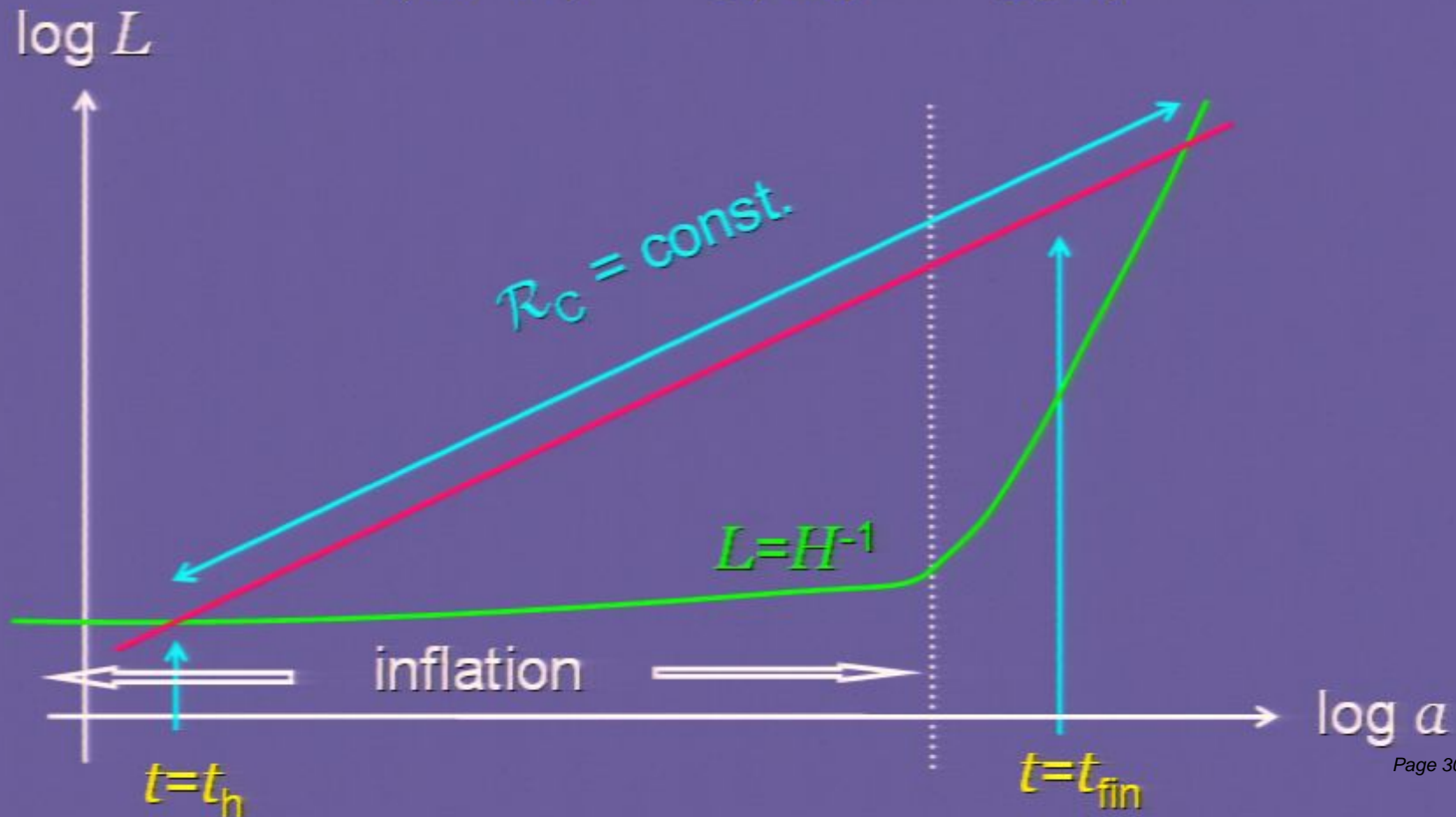
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Further extension to non-slowroll case is possible, if **general slow-roll condition** is satisfied at horizon-crossing.

Lee, MS, Stewart, Tanaka & Yokoyama '05



$$\frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{2H^2} = O(\xi), \quad \frac{\ddot{\phi}}{H\dot{\phi}} = O(\xi), \quad \frac{\ddot{\phi}}{H^2\dot{\phi}} = O(\xi), \dots, \quad \xi \ll 1$$

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- On superhorizon scales, gradient expansion is valid:

$$\left| \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} Q \right| \ll \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial t} Q \right| \sim HQ; \quad H \sim \sqrt{G\rho}$$

Belinski et al. '70, Tomita '72, Salopek & Bond '90, ...

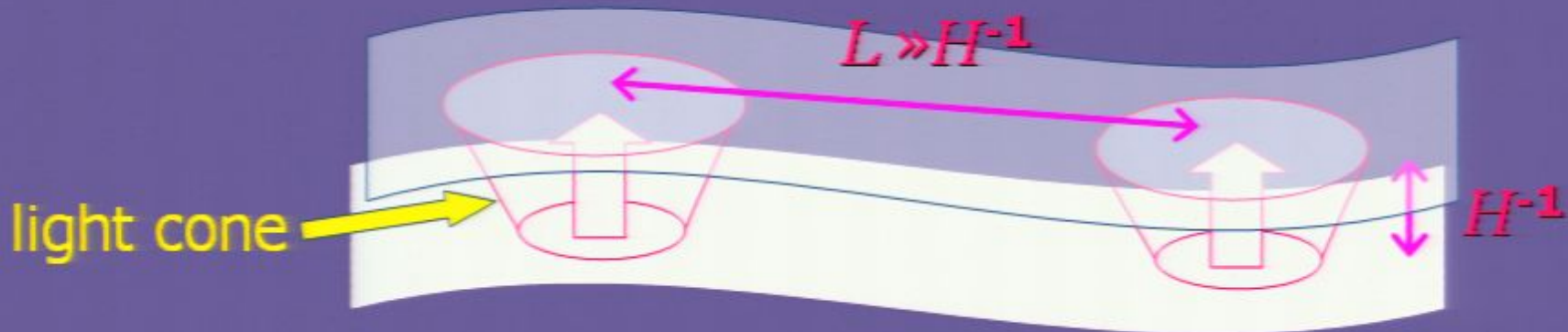
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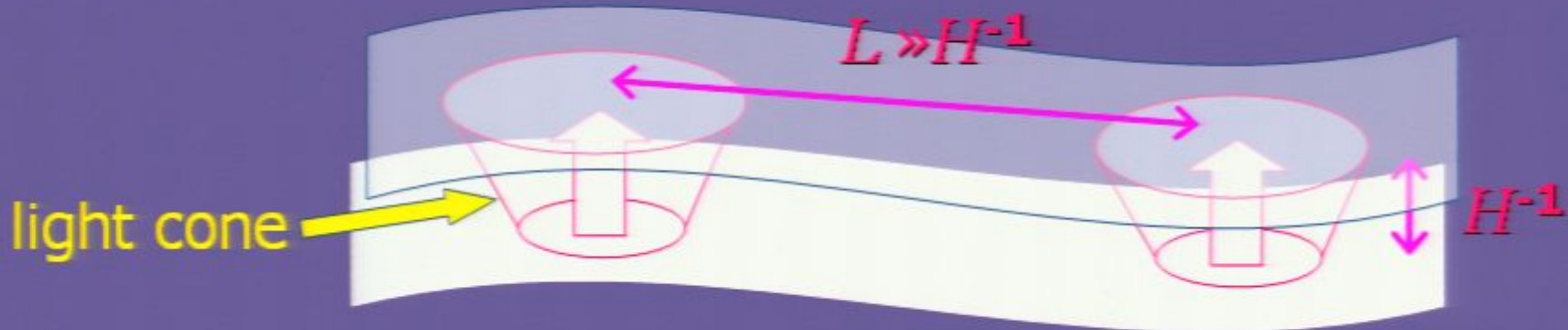
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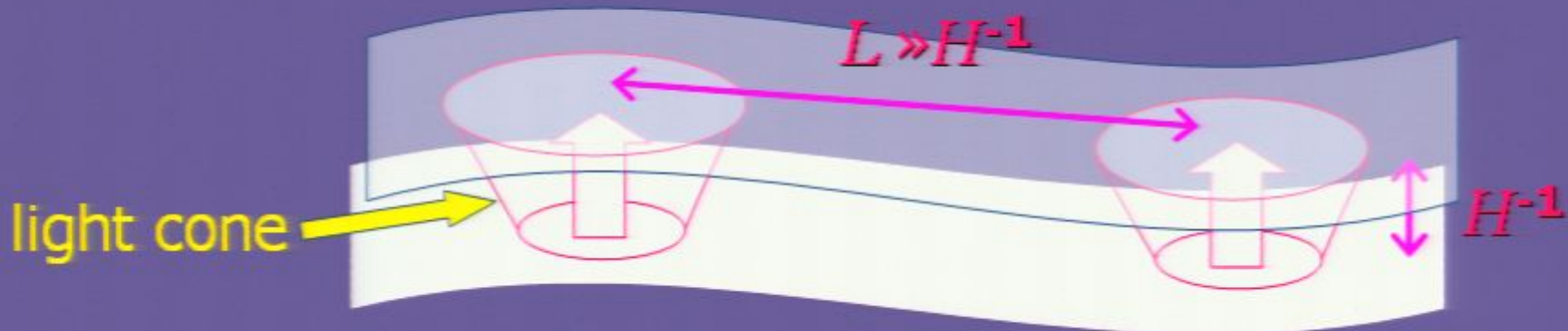
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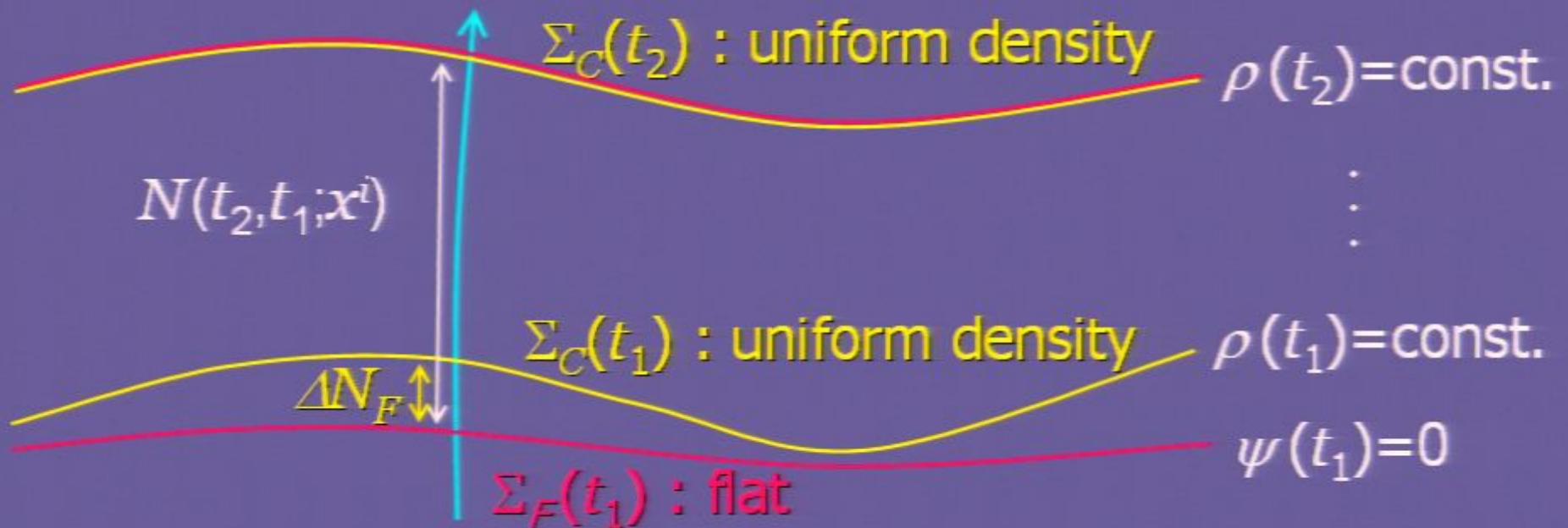
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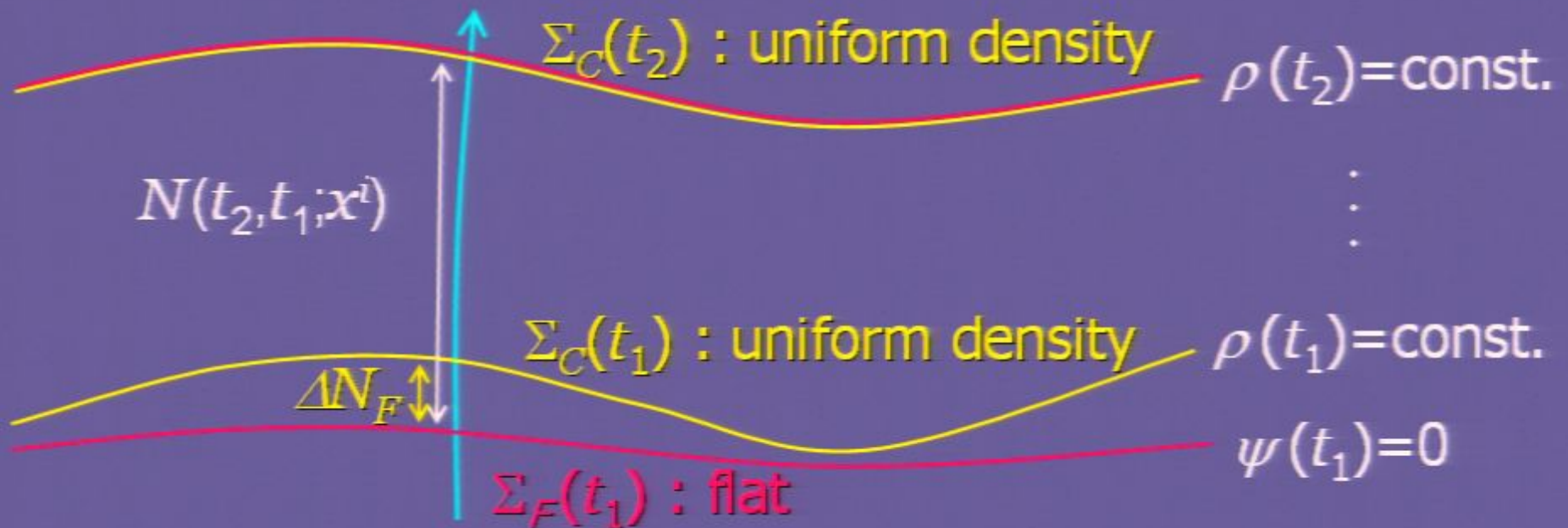
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