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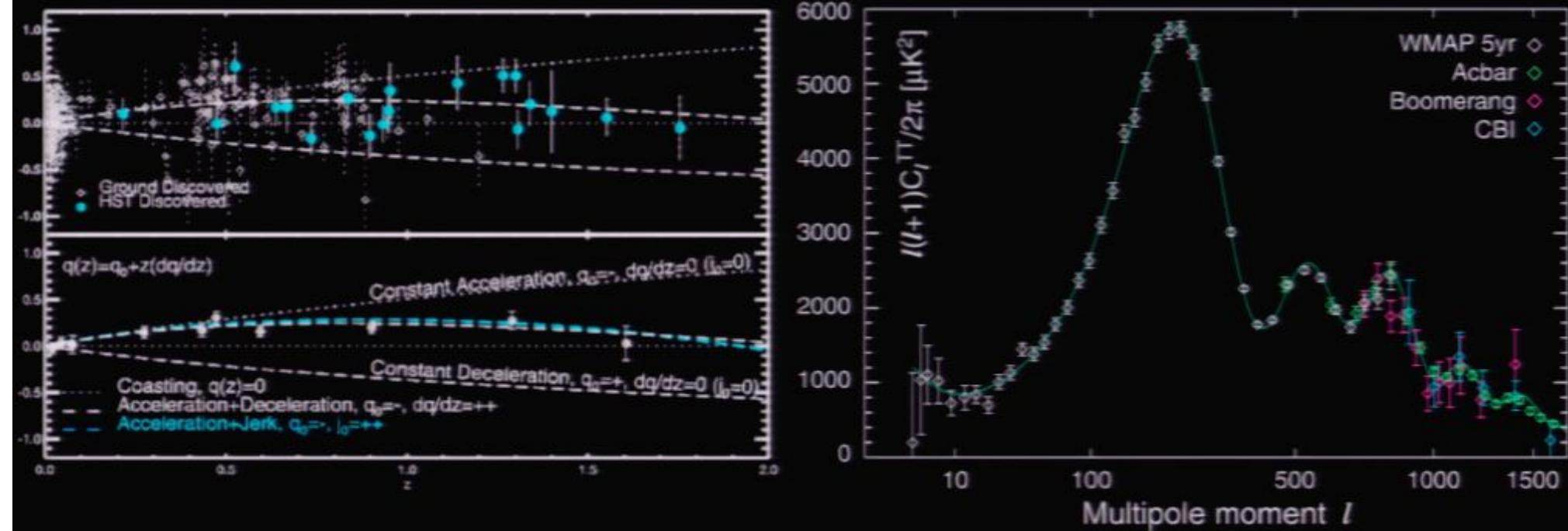
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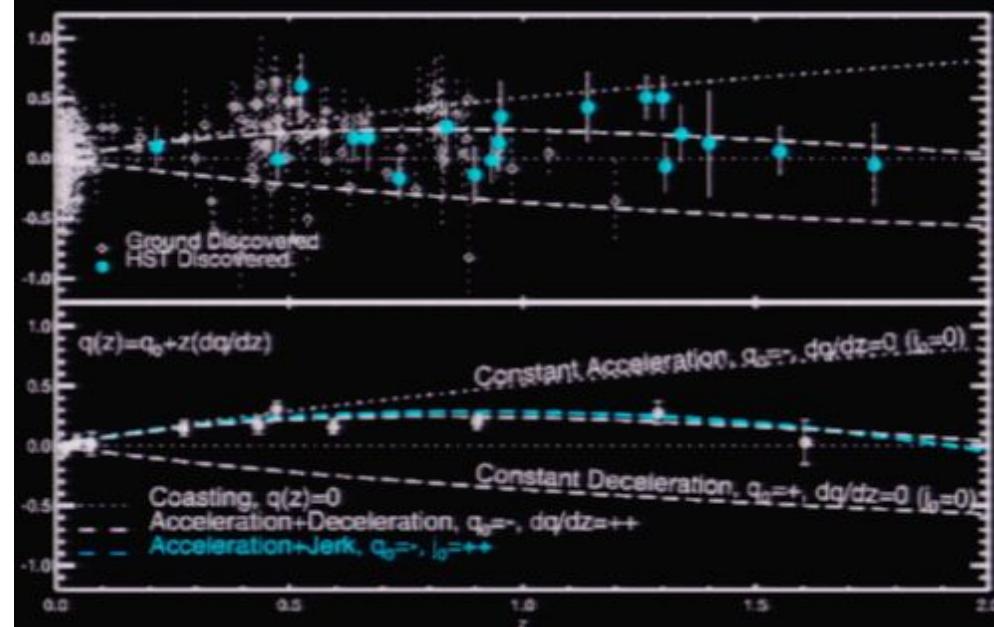
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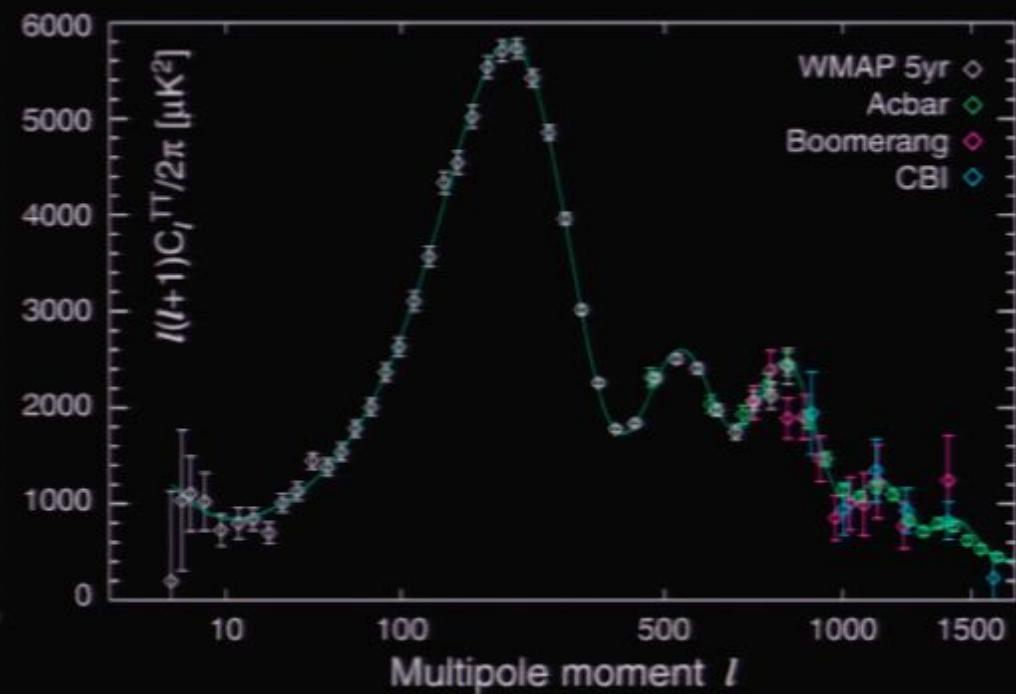


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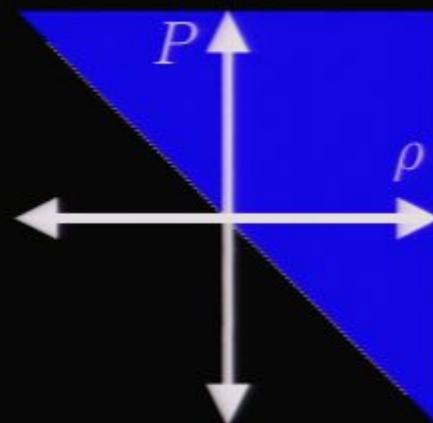
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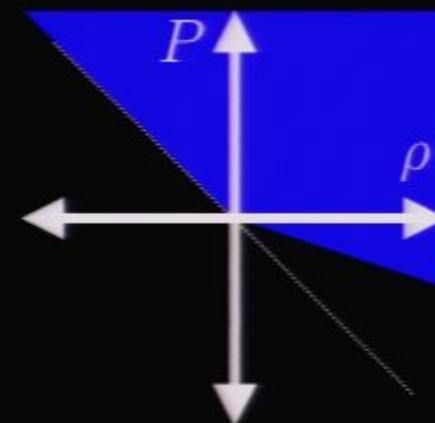
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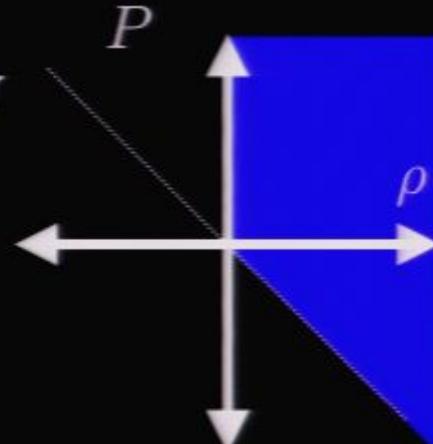
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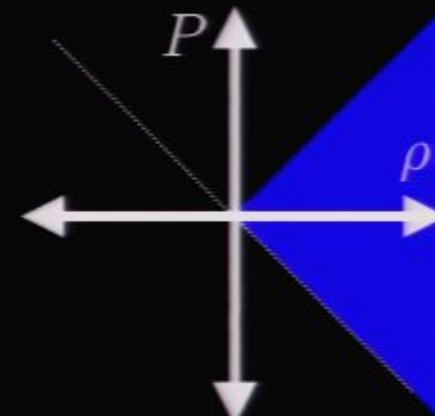
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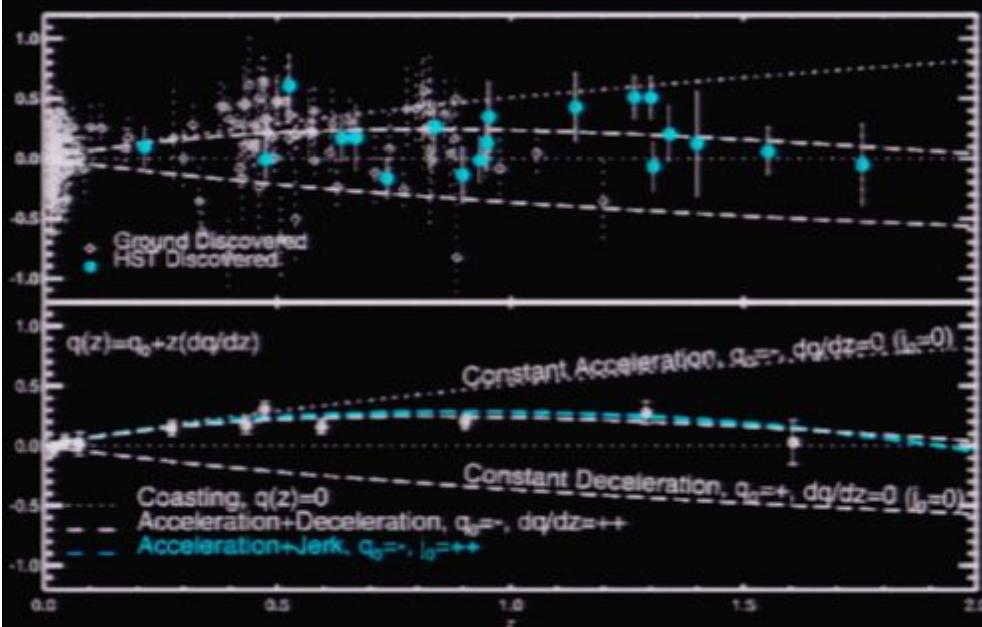


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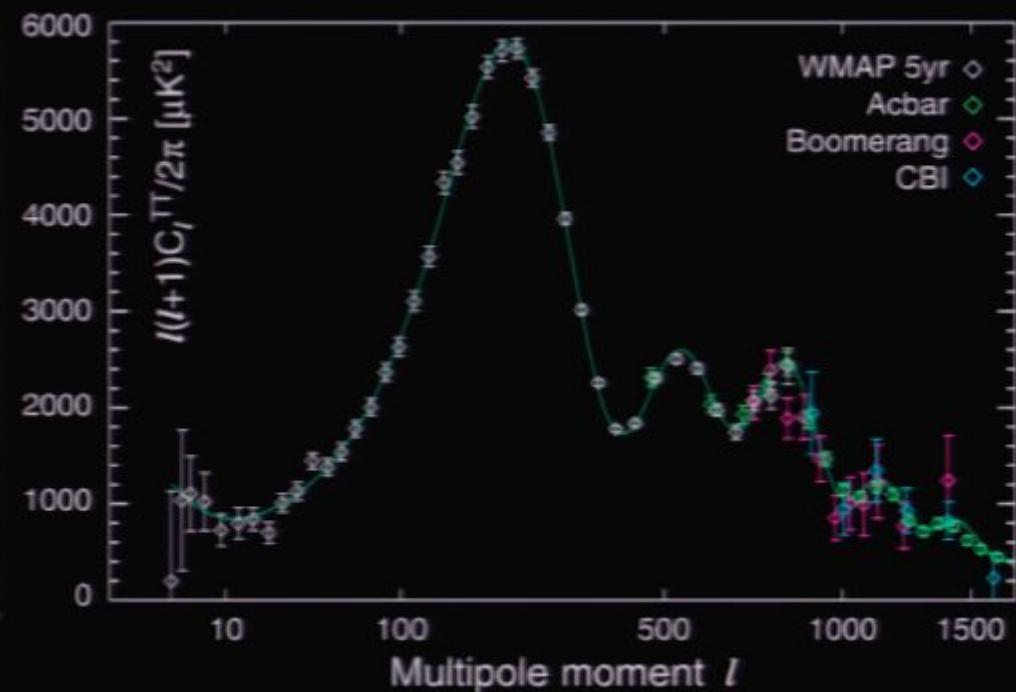
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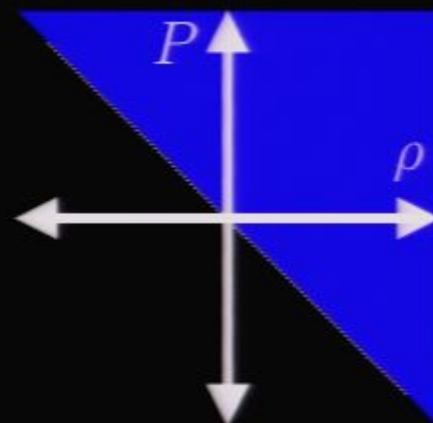
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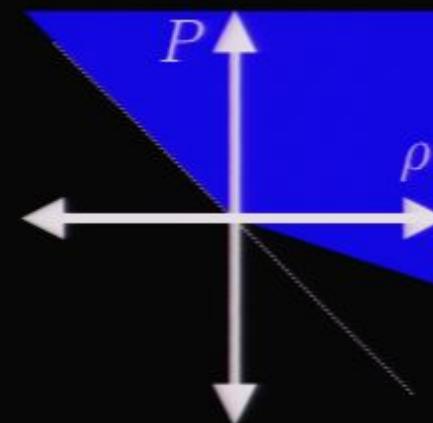
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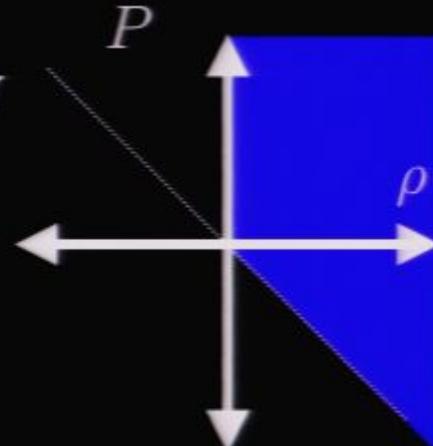
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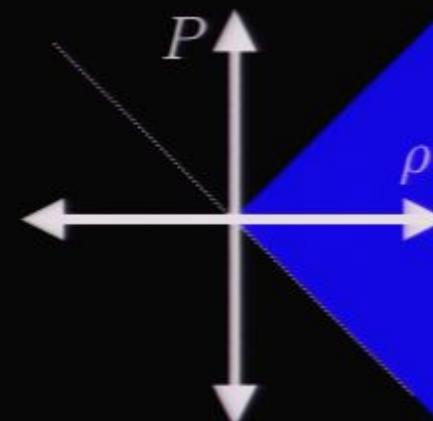
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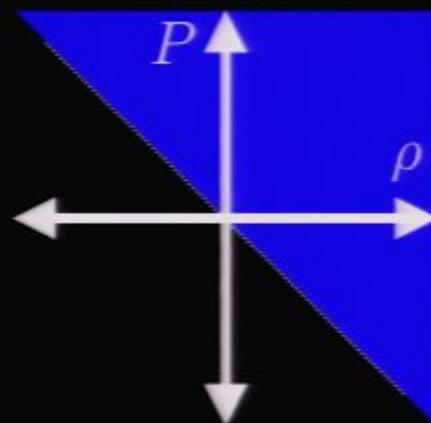
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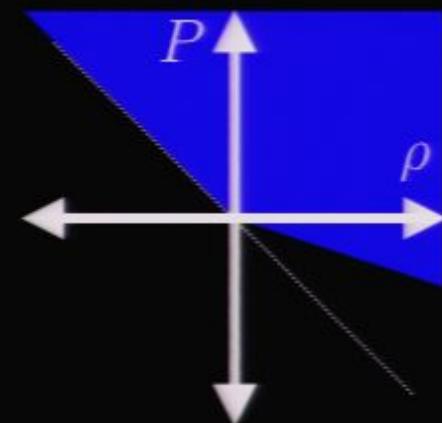
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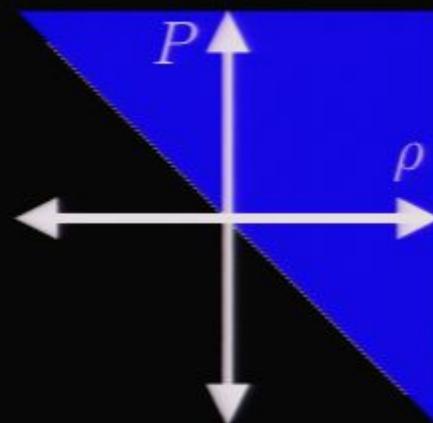


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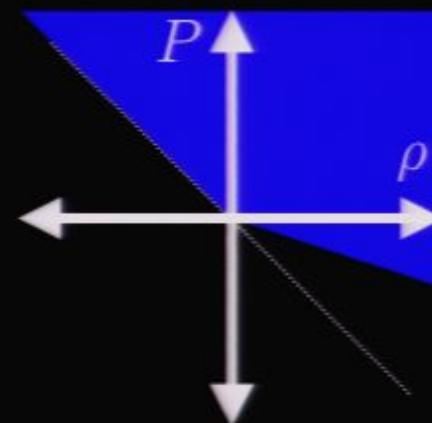
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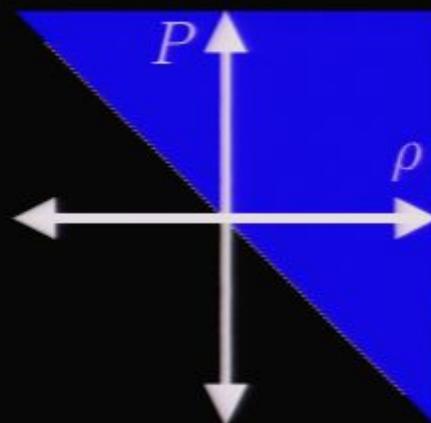


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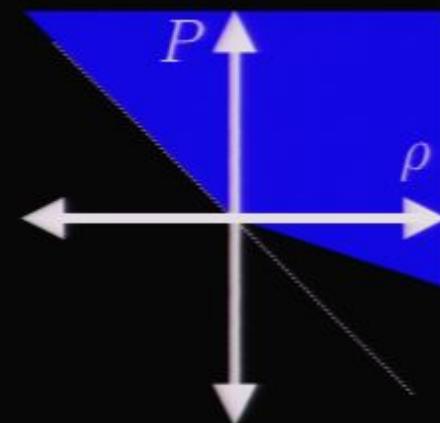
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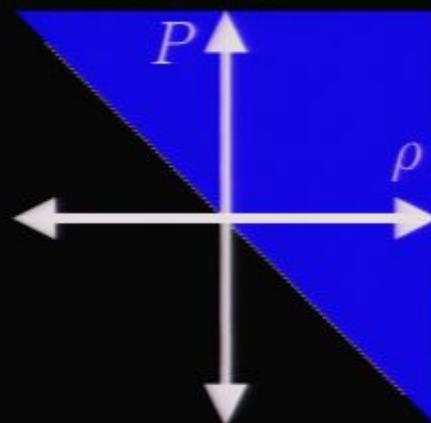


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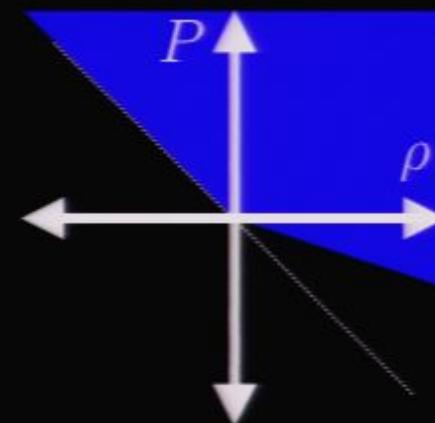
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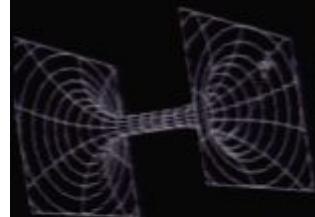
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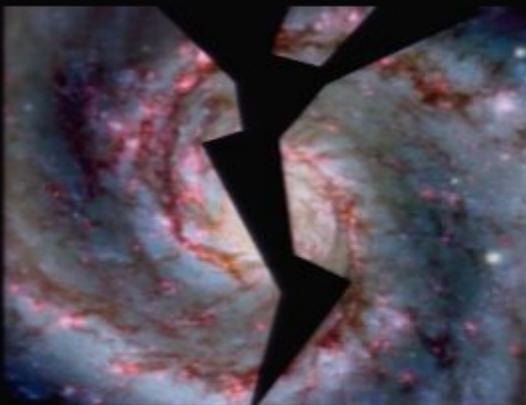
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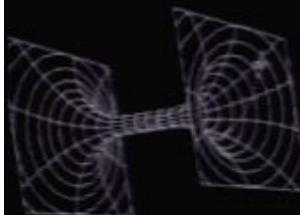


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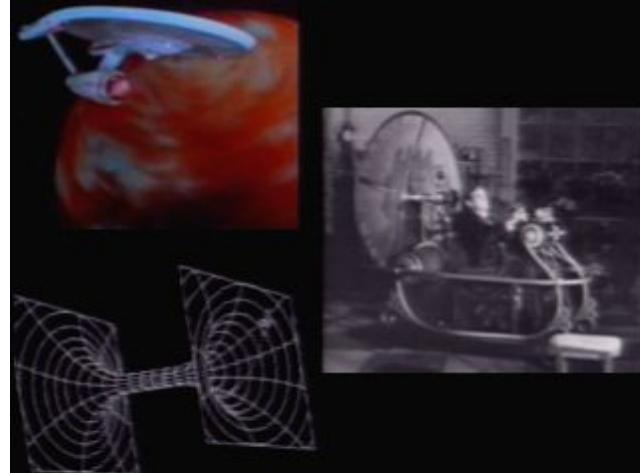
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Classical: Big Rips, Big Bounces, gradient instabilities ...

Quantum: unitarity violation, rapid vacuum decay, *perpetuum mobile* ...

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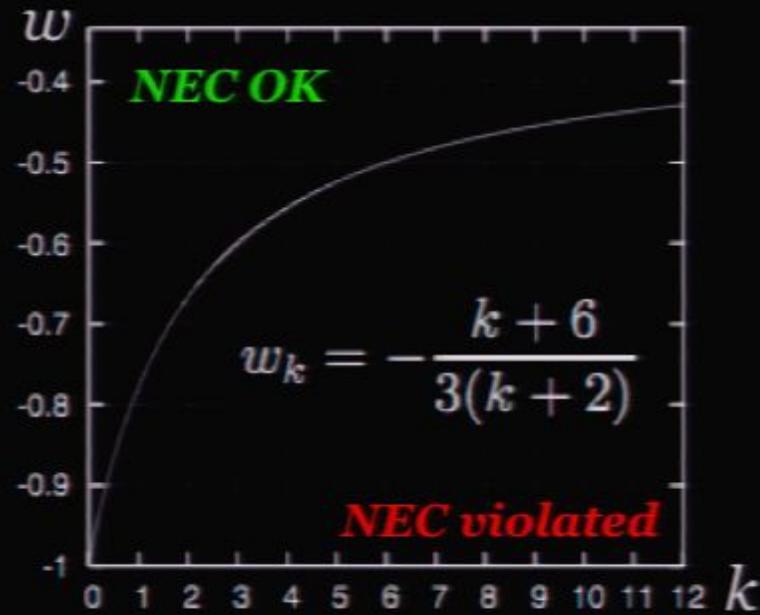
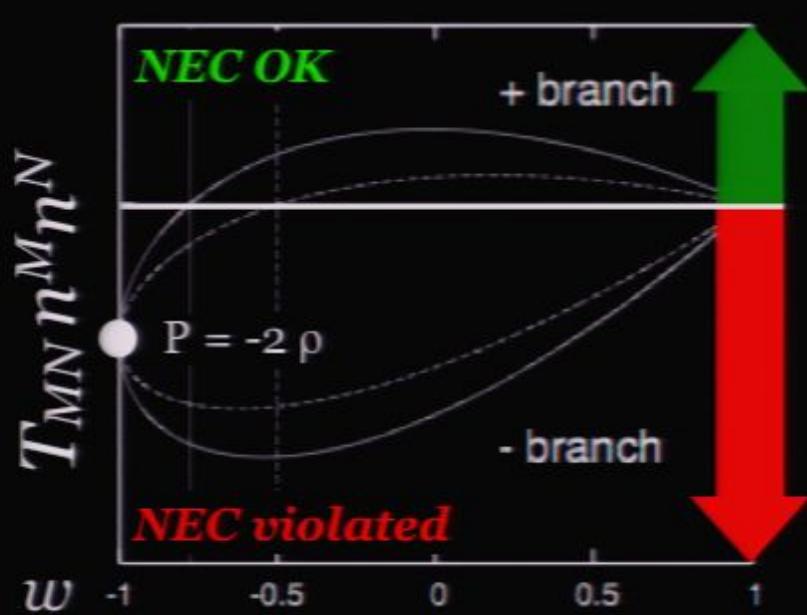
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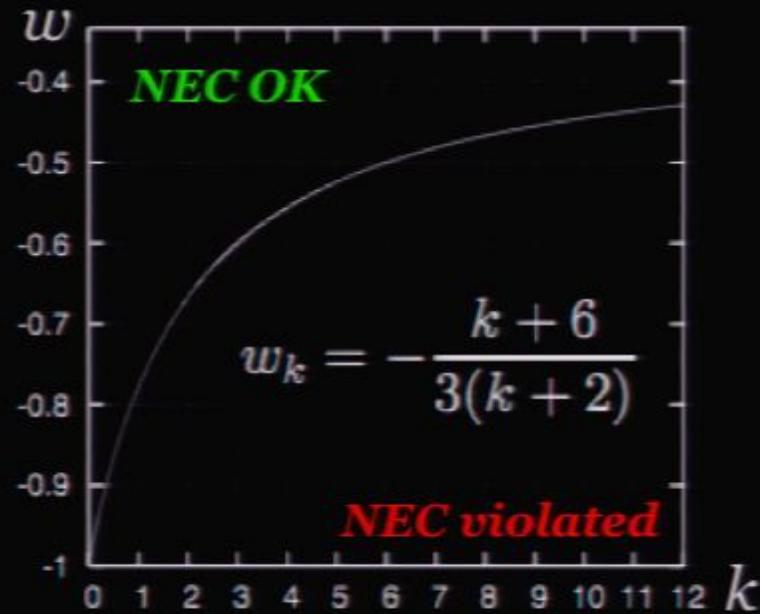
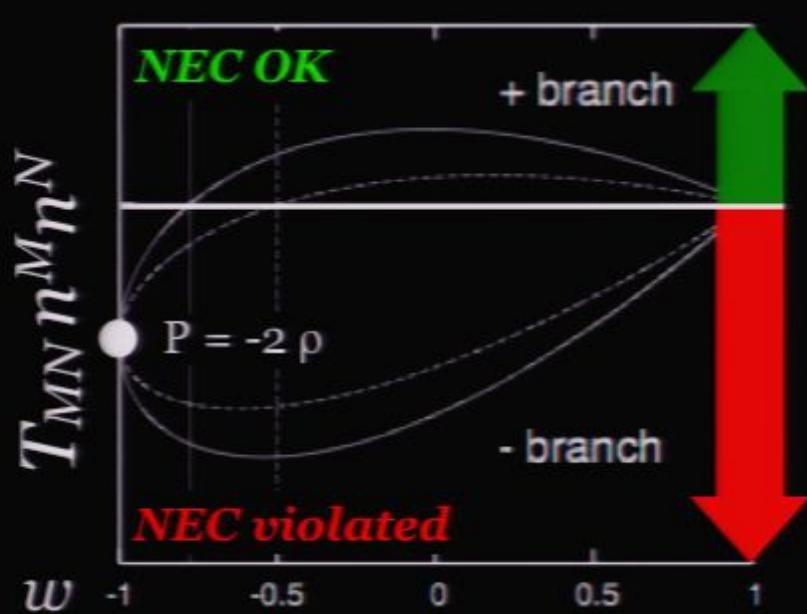


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## Assumptions

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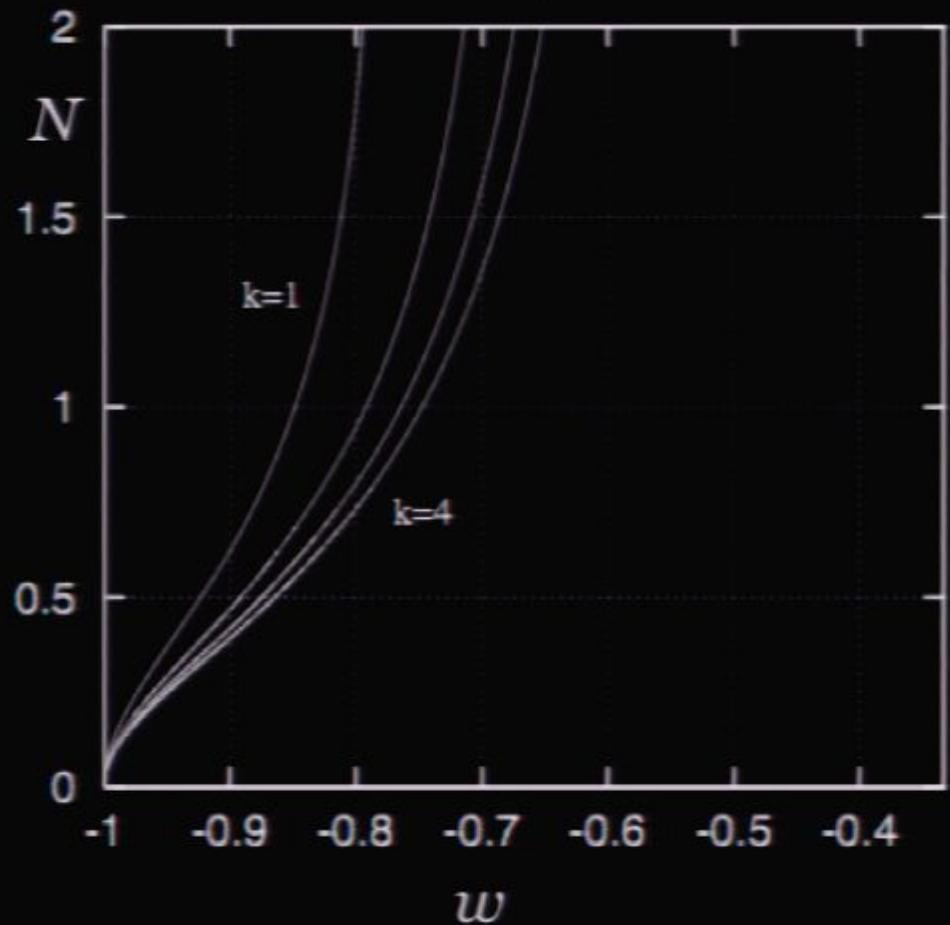
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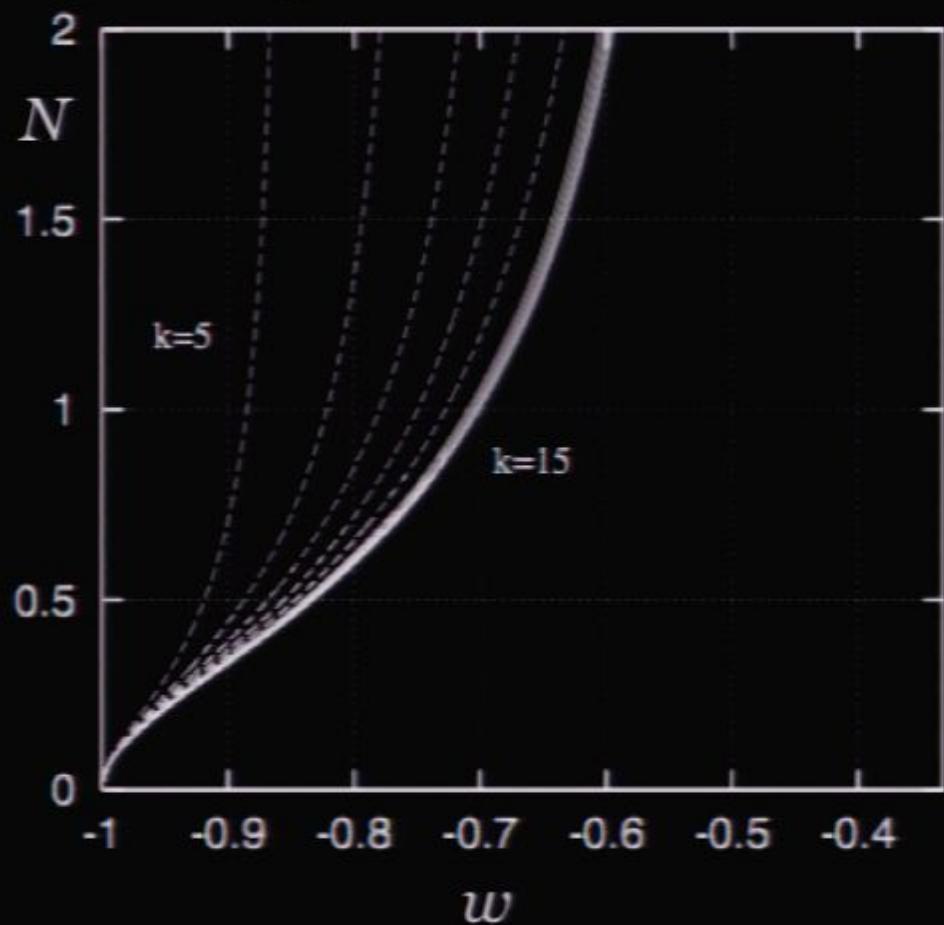


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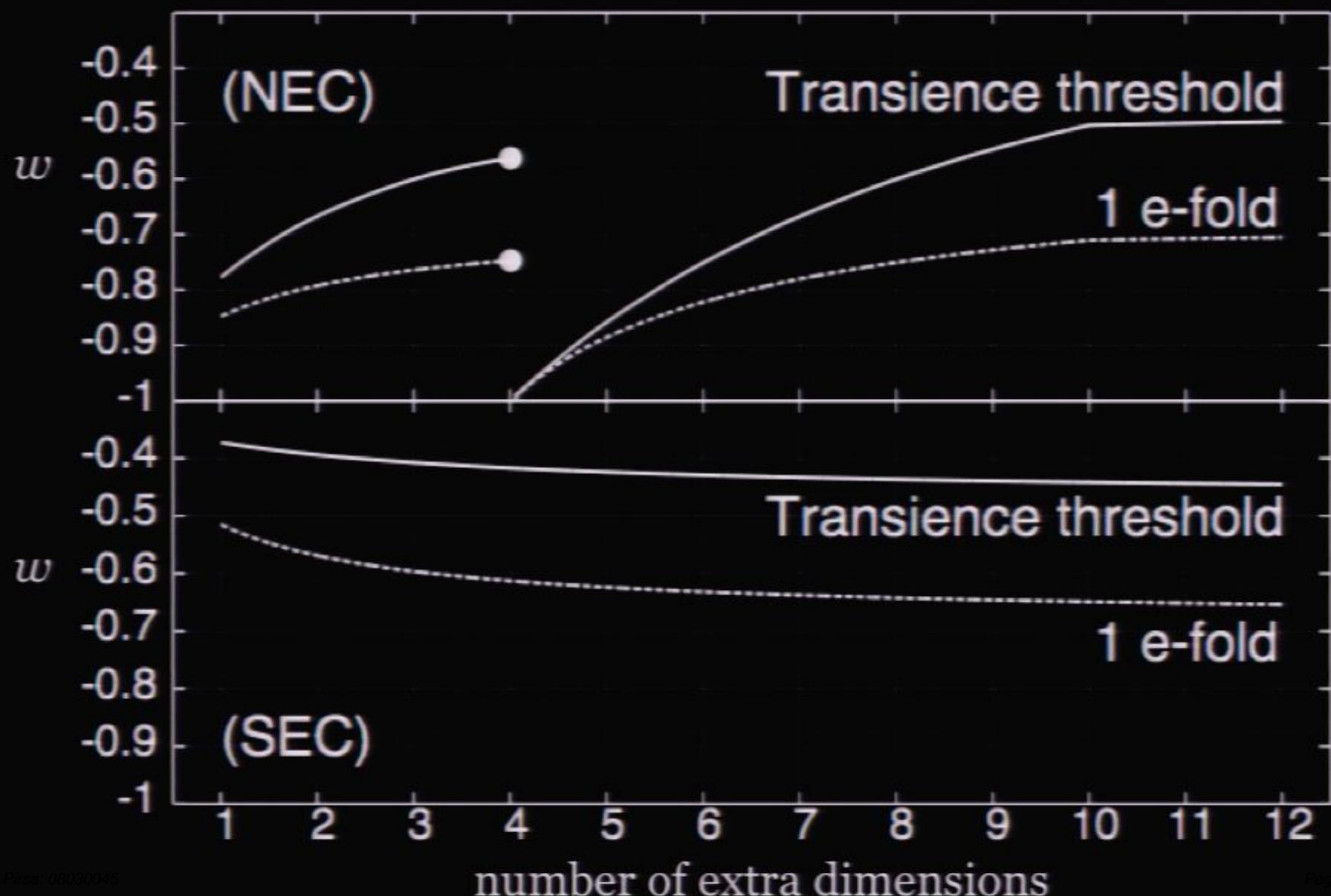
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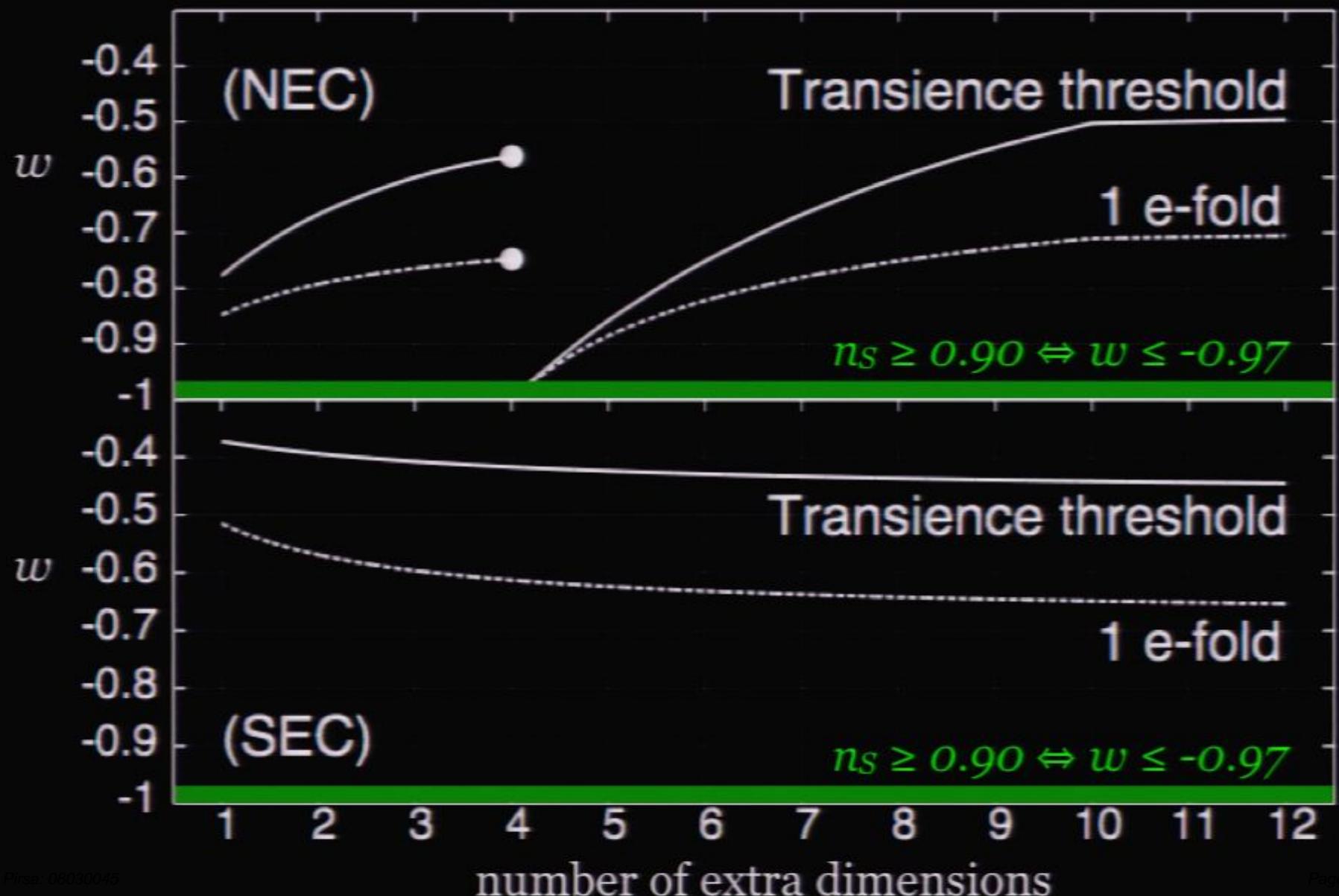
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