

Title: Some Thoughts on Dark Energy, Inflation and Extra Dimensions

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Abstract:



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$E = hf$

Energy of photon

$$c = \lambda \nu$$



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$C = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{f}$



$\int g_{\mu\nu} dy^\mu dy^\nu$

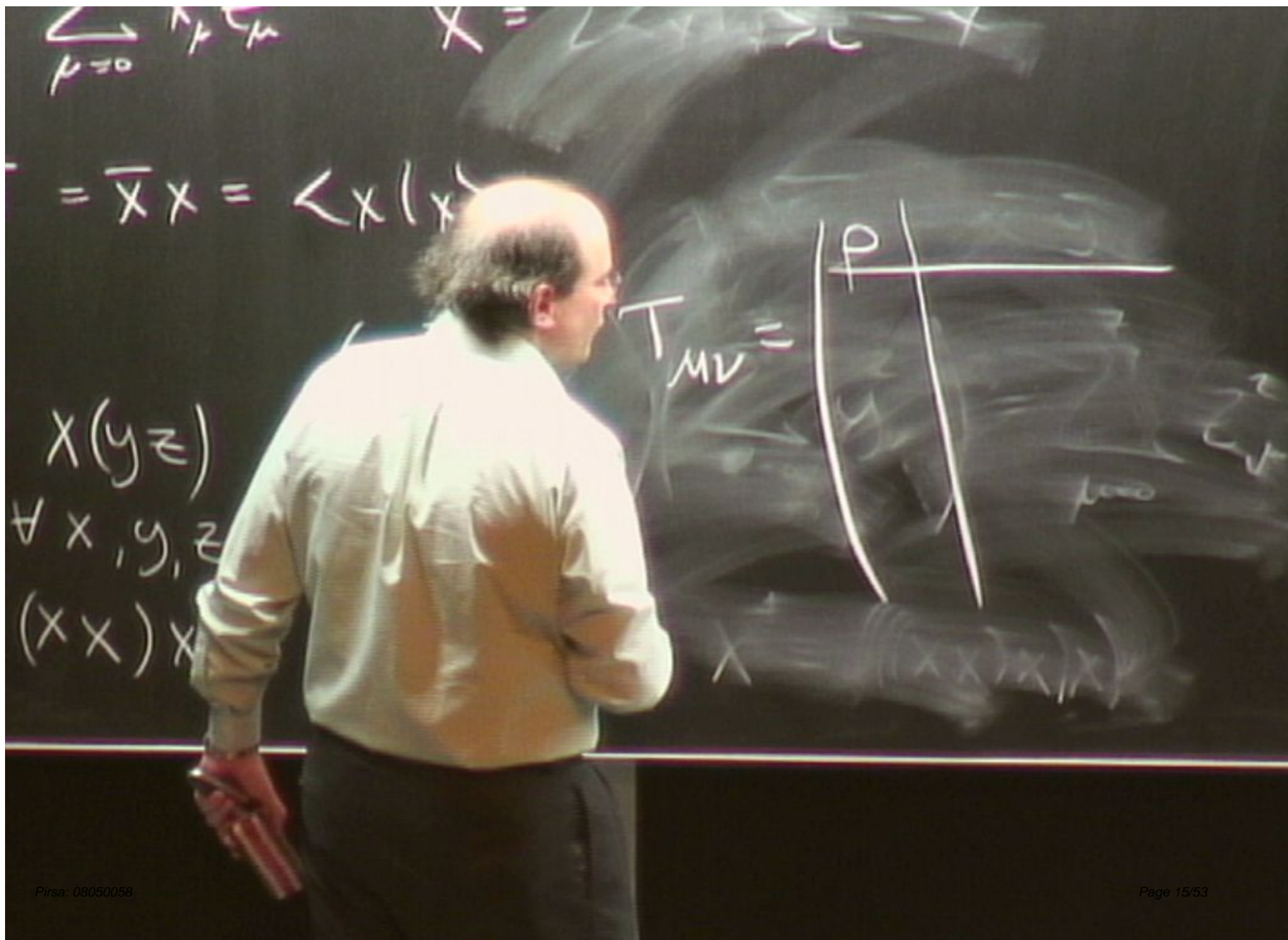
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# Illustrative example: pure cosmological constant ( $w_{\text{total}} = -1$ )

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Curious corollary:

Not only rules out pure  $\Lambda$  universe,  
but also  $\Lambda$ CDM

That is, if Theorem I assumptions are correct,  
then  $w_{DE} > -1$

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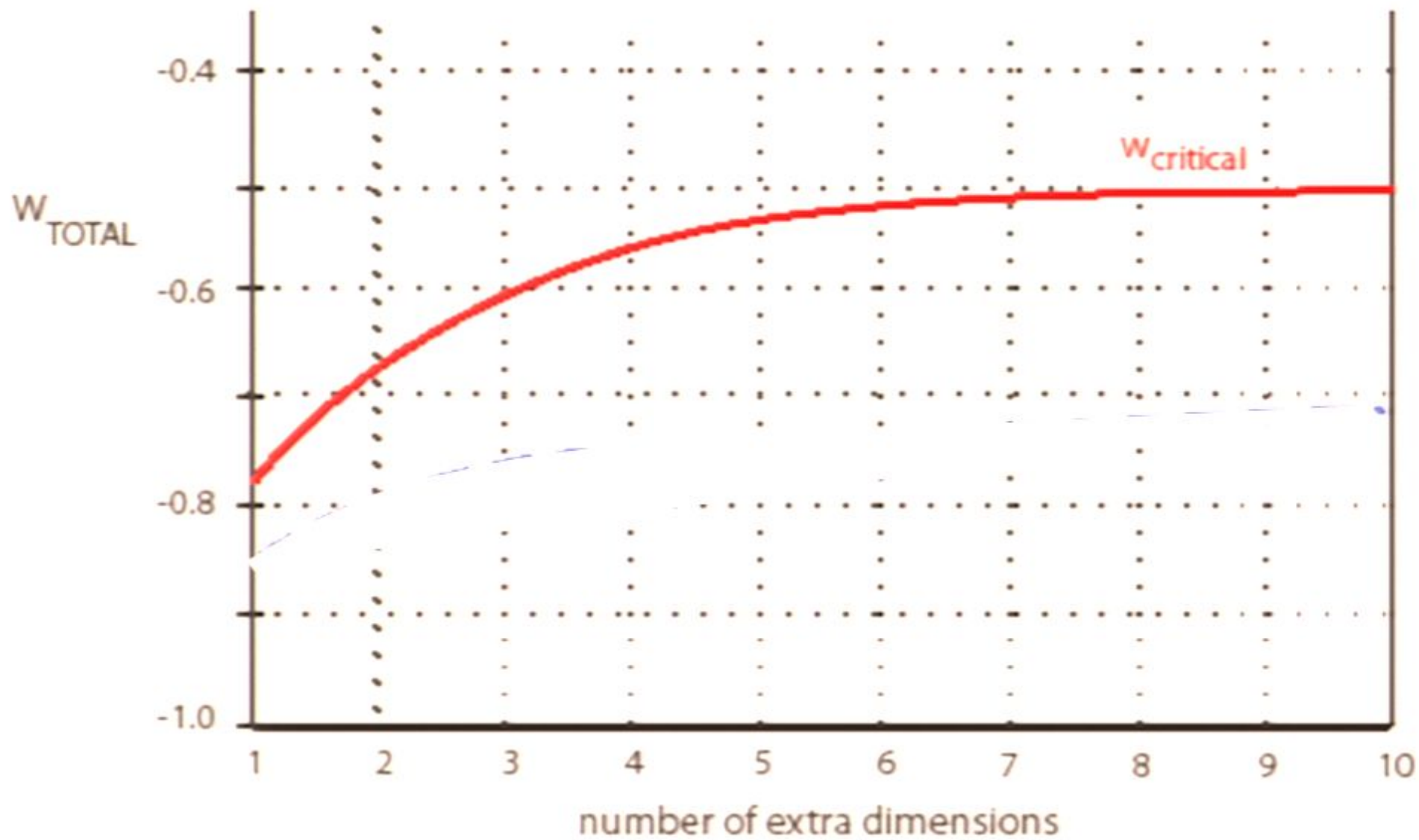


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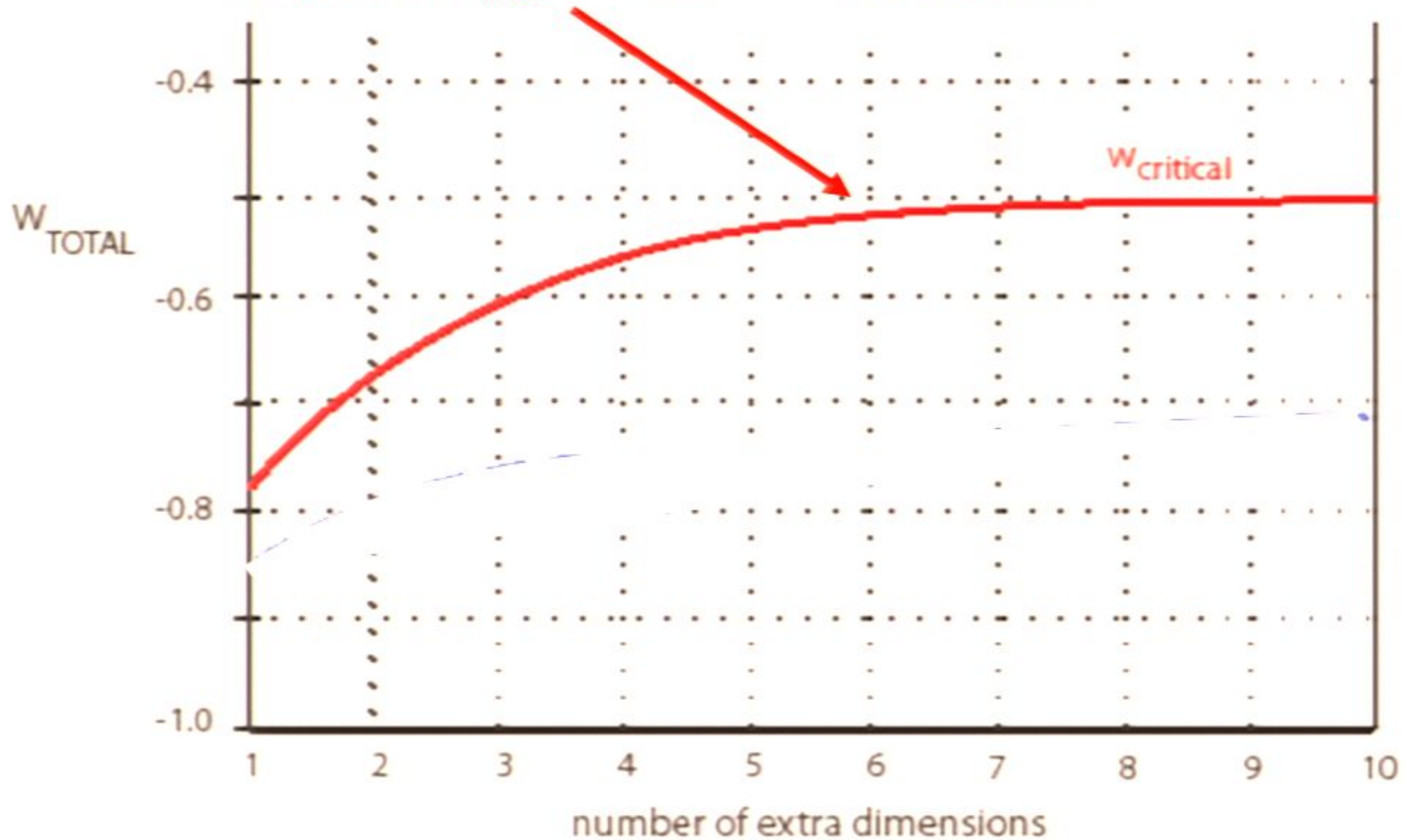
$$-1/3 > w_{\text{total}} > w_{\text{critical}} > -1$$

... can maintain acceleration indefinitely  
(but  $G_N$  must vary with time to maintain the NEC)





requires  $w_{\text{total}} > -0.53$  -- ruled out !



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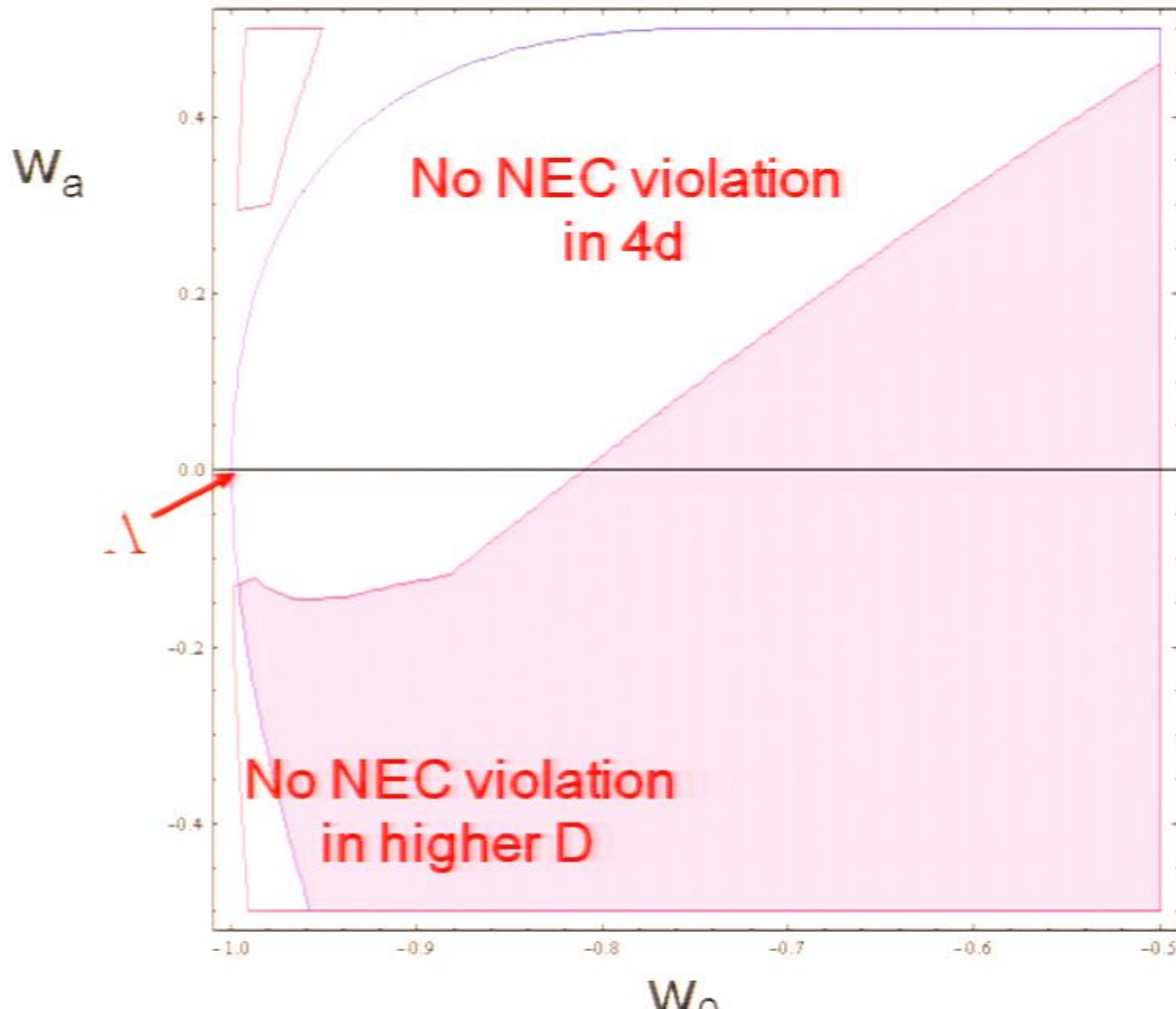
$G_{\text{N}}$ : compare w/ model-independent limits on  $\xi = \frac{H_0 \dot{G}}{G}$  &  $\frac{|G_{\text{BBN}} - G_0|}{G}$

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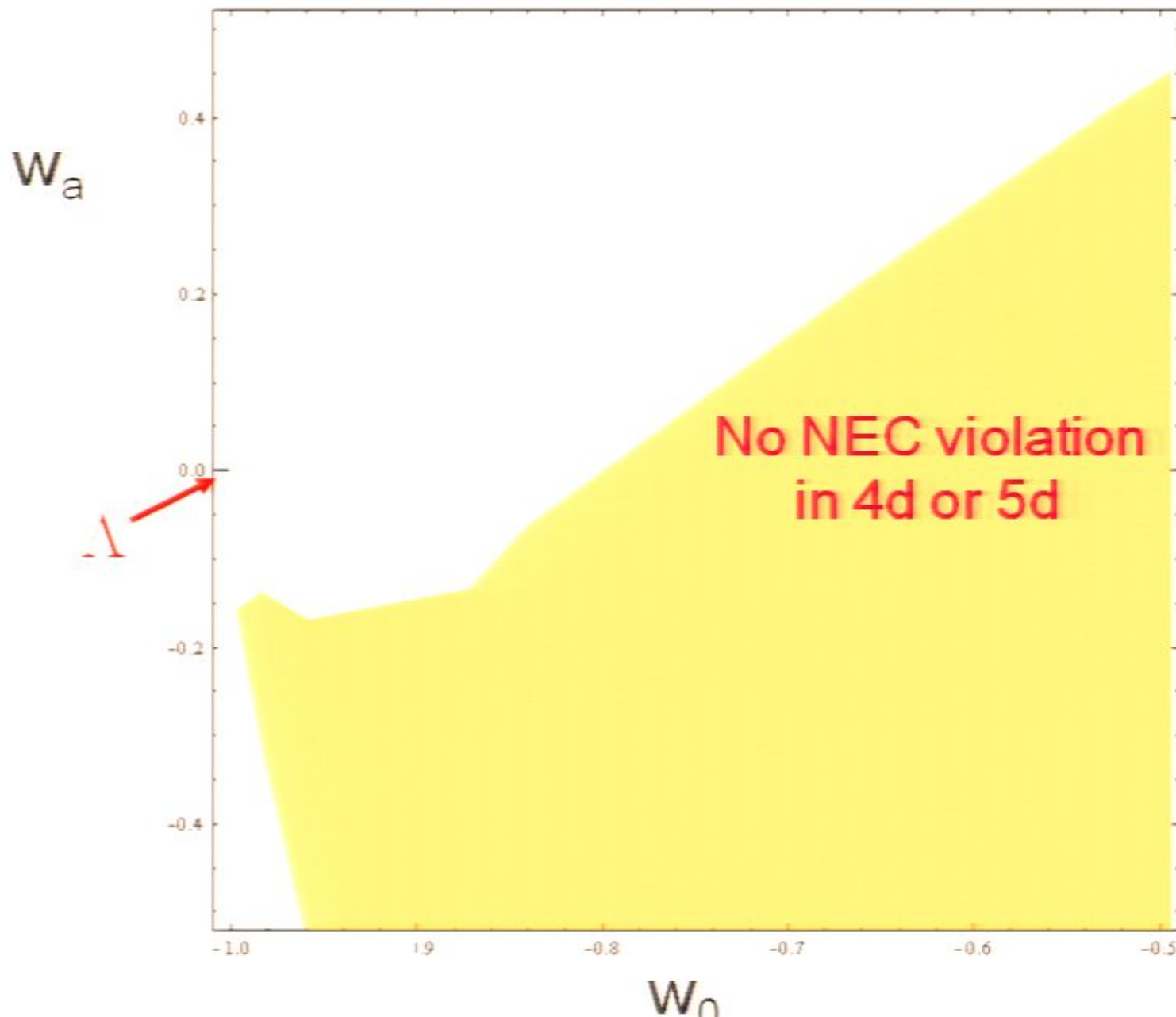
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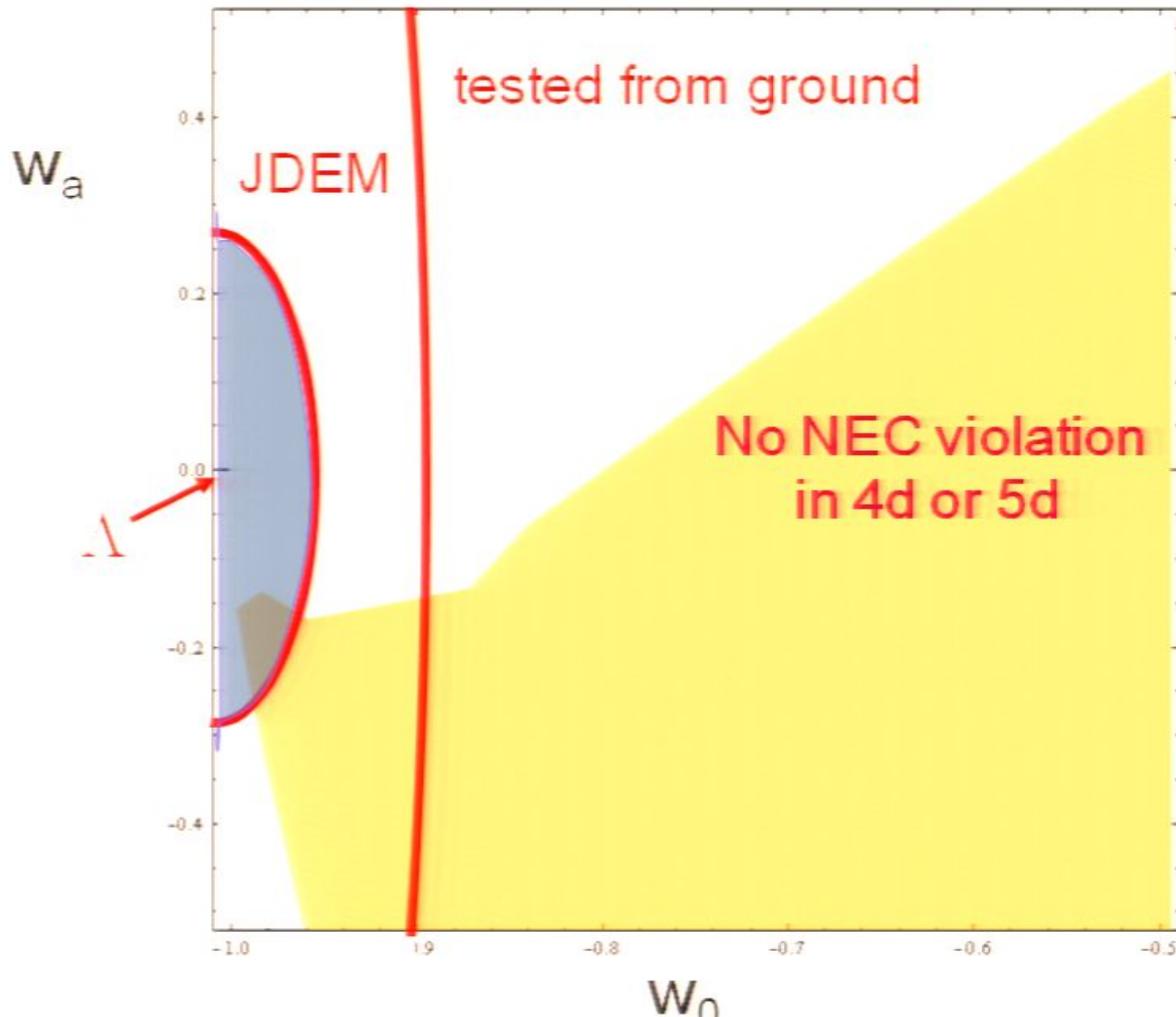
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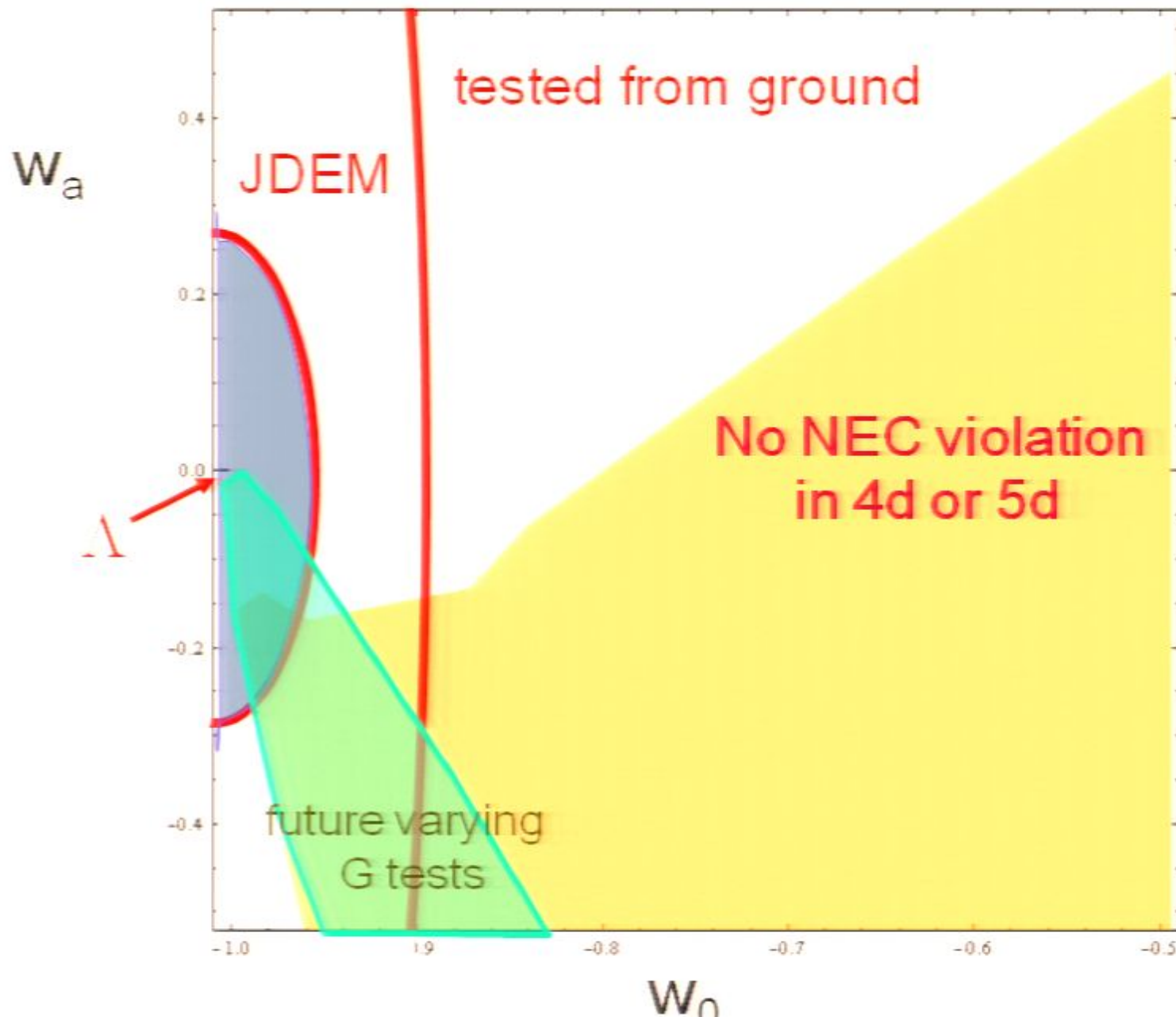
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JDEM (Joint Dark Energy Mission) → JEDM (Joint Extra Dimensions Mission)



On the other hand,  
Thm I conditions are *completely incompatible*  
with inflation !

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- inflation requires violating at least one of the Thm I conditions in the early Universe
- Thm I provides interesting counterexample to principle underlying chaotic/eternal inflation

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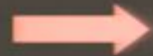
... also not what you get just by having  
scalar fields (inflaton) with flat potentials in 4d

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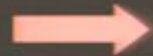
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