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## 1. Coupling quintessence to electromagnetism

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1. The action

$$S = -\frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} R + \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} (\mathcal{L}_\phi + \mathcal{L}_M + \mathcal{L}_{\phi F})$$

2. The coupling

$$\mathcal{L}_{\phi F} = -\frac{1}{4} B_F(\phi) F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$$

3. Gauge kinetic function

$$B_F(\phi) = 1 - \zeta\kappa(\phi - \phi_0)$$

4. Variation in  $\alpha$

$$\alpha = \frac{\alpha_0}{B_F(\phi)} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\Delta\alpha}{\alpha} \equiv \frac{\alpha - \alpha_0}{\alpha_0} = \zeta\kappa(\phi - \phi_0)$$

## 2. Proton to electron mass ratio, $\mu \equiv m_p/m_e$

From theories of gauge unification we expect  $\frac{\Delta\mu}{\mu} = R \frac{\Delta\alpha}{\alpha}$  e.g.

$$\frac{\Delta\mu}{\mu} = [0.8A - 0.3(S + 1)] \frac{\Delta\alpha}{\alpha}$$

(Coc et al. 2007) where

$$\frac{\Delta\Lambda}{\Lambda} = A \frac{\Delta\alpha}{\alpha} + \frac{6}{27} \left( \frac{\Delta v}{v} + \frac{\Delta h}{h} \right), \quad \frac{\Delta v}{v} = S \frac{\Delta h}{h}$$

Under simple assumptions  $A \approx 36$  and  $S \approx 160$ , and for a dilaton model with  $\Delta\alpha/\alpha = 2\Delta h/h$ , then

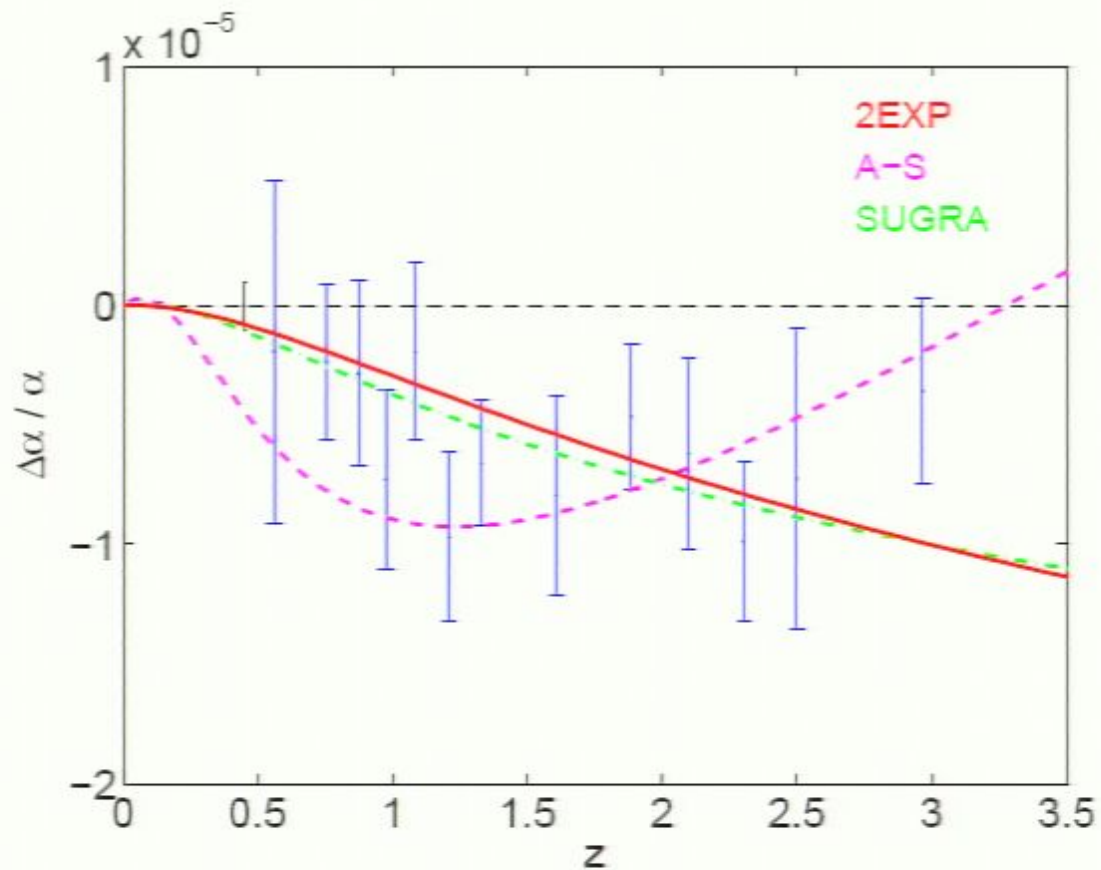
$$\frac{\Delta\mu}{\mu} \approx -19.5 \frac{\Delta\alpha}{\alpha}$$

Observationally, using  $\Delta\alpha/\alpha \approx -0.5 \times 10^{-5}$  and  $\Delta\mu/\mu \approx 3 \times 10^{-5}$  at  $z = 3$  we estimate

$$\frac{\Delta\mu}{\mu} \approx -6 \frac{\Delta\alpha}{\alpha}$$



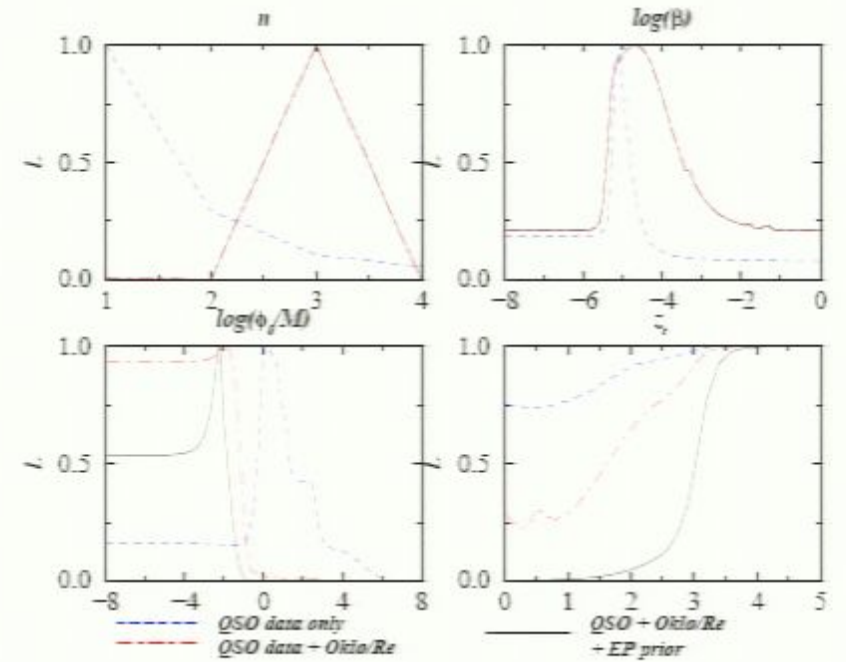
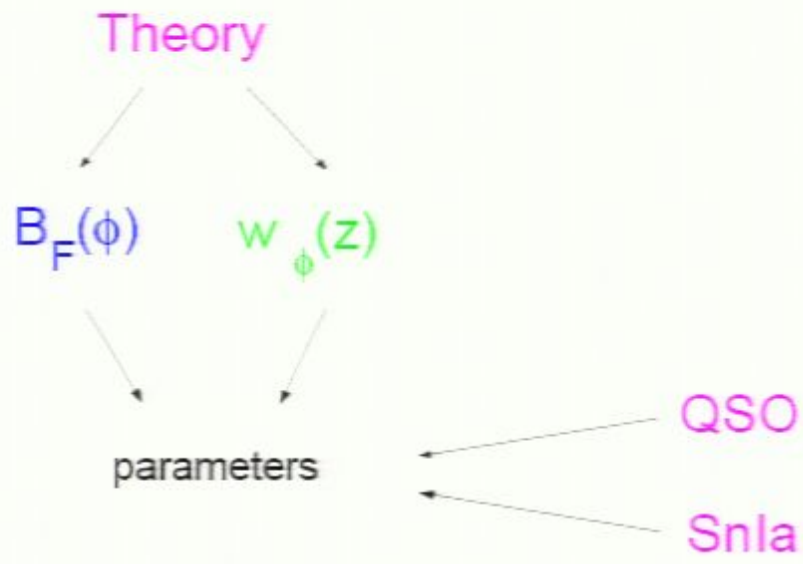
### 3. $\Delta\alpha/\alpha$ for some quintessence models



Anchordoqui, Goldberg (2003)  
Copeland, NJN, Pospelov (2003)

## 4. Fitting the equation of state with variation of $\alpha$

Parkinson, Bassett, Barrow (2003):

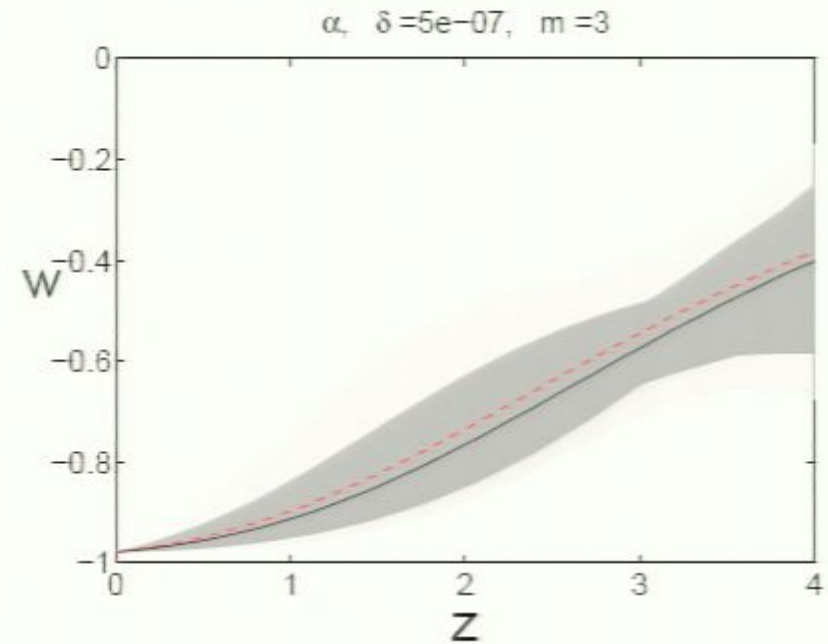
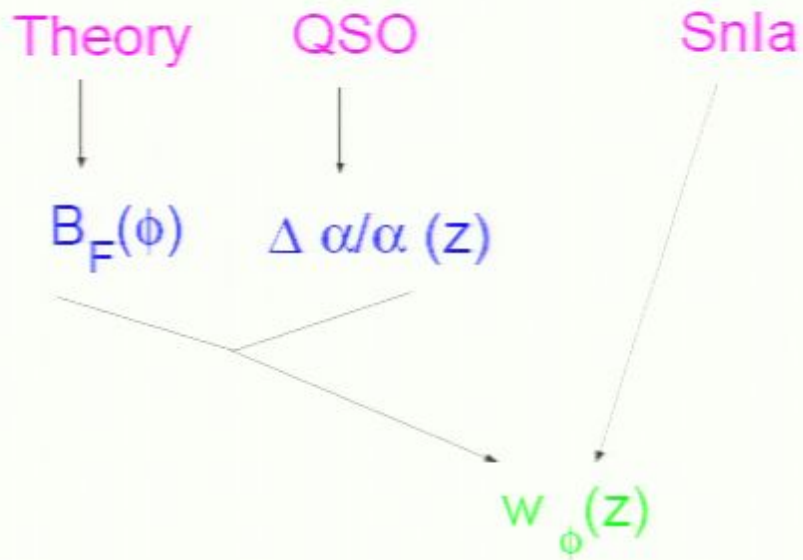


$$B_F(\phi) = \left[ 1 + \beta_n \left( \frac{\phi_0}{M} \right)^n \left( \frac{\phi}{\phi_0} \right)^n \right] \left[ 1 + \beta_n \left( \frac{\phi_0}{M} \right)^n \right]^{-1}$$

$$w(z) = \frac{w_0}{1 + e^{(z-z_t)/\Delta}}$$

## 5. Reconstructing the equation of state with variation of $\alpha$

In this talk:



$$B_F(\phi) = 1 - \zeta\kappa(\phi - \phi_0)$$

$$w(z) = ???$$

## 6. Basic equations

1. Energy densities

$$\rho_\phi = \frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2 + V(\phi)$$

$$\rho_M = \frac{\Omega_{M0}\rho_0}{a^3}$$

2. Equations of motion

$$\dot{H} = -\frac{\kappa^2}{2}(\rho_M + \dot{\phi}^2)$$

$$\dot{\rho}_\phi = -3H\dot{\phi}^2$$

3. Equation of state

$$w_\phi = -1 + \frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{\rho_\phi} = 1 - \frac{2V}{\rho_\phi}$$

4. Rewrite as:

$$\sigma' = -(\kappa\phi')^2(\sigma + a^{-3})$$

where

$$\sigma = \frac{\rho_\phi}{\rho_0\Omega_{M0}}, \quad ' = \frac{d}{d \ln a}$$

and

$$w = -1 + \frac{(\kappa\phi')^2}{3} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\sigma a^3} \right)$$

$$w' = 2(1+w)\frac{\phi''}{\phi'} + w \left[ 3(1+w) - (\kappa\phi')^2 \right]$$

$$w'' = \dots$$

## 7. Reconstruction procedure

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### STEP 1: Obtaining the data sets

1. From observations or,
2. Simulations
  - Simulate observational data by generating data points based on numerical evolution of the quintessence field  $\phi$  for specific potential  $V(\phi)$ ;
  - Consider normal distribution with mean  $\Delta\alpha/\alpha = \zeta\kappa(\phi - \phi_0)$ ;
  - Choose  $\zeta$  and  $R$  such that

$$\left(\frac{\Delta\alpha}{\alpha}\right)_{z=3} = -0.5 \times 10^{-5}, \quad \left(\frac{\Delta\mu}{\mu}\right)_{z=3} = 3 \times 10^{-5} \quad \Rightarrow R = -6$$

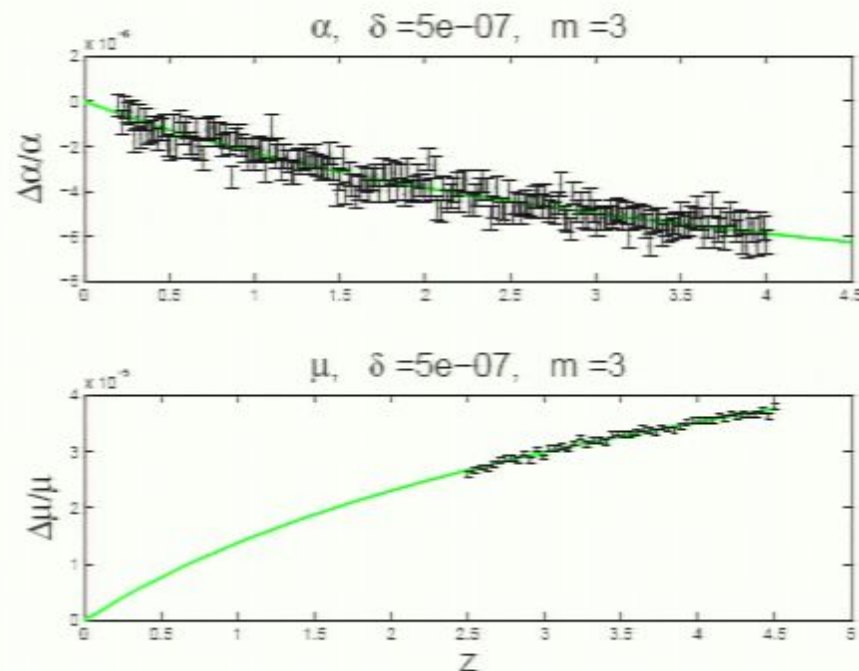
## 8. Reconstruction procedure (cont.)

### ESPRESSO

spectrograph for VLT:

200 objects in  $\alpha$

50 objects in  $\mu$

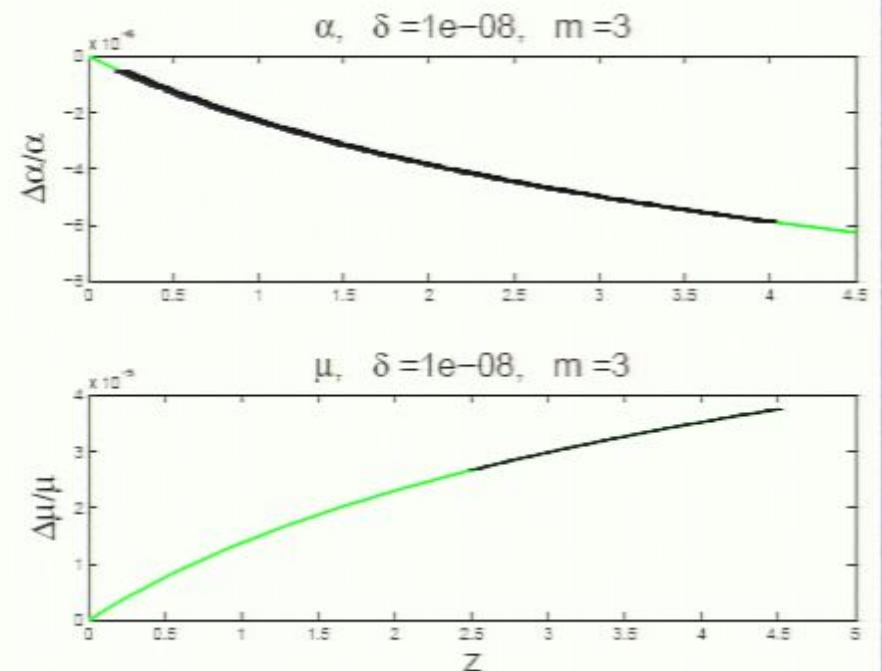


### CODEX

spectrograph for ELT:

500 objects in  $\alpha$

100 objects in  $\mu$



## 9. Reconstruction procedure (cont.)

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STEP 2: Fitting the data

$$\begin{aligned}g(N) &\equiv \frac{\Delta\alpha}{\alpha} \\ &= g_1N + g_2N^2 + \dots + g_mN^m\end{aligned}$$

where  $N = -\ln(1+z)$ . But

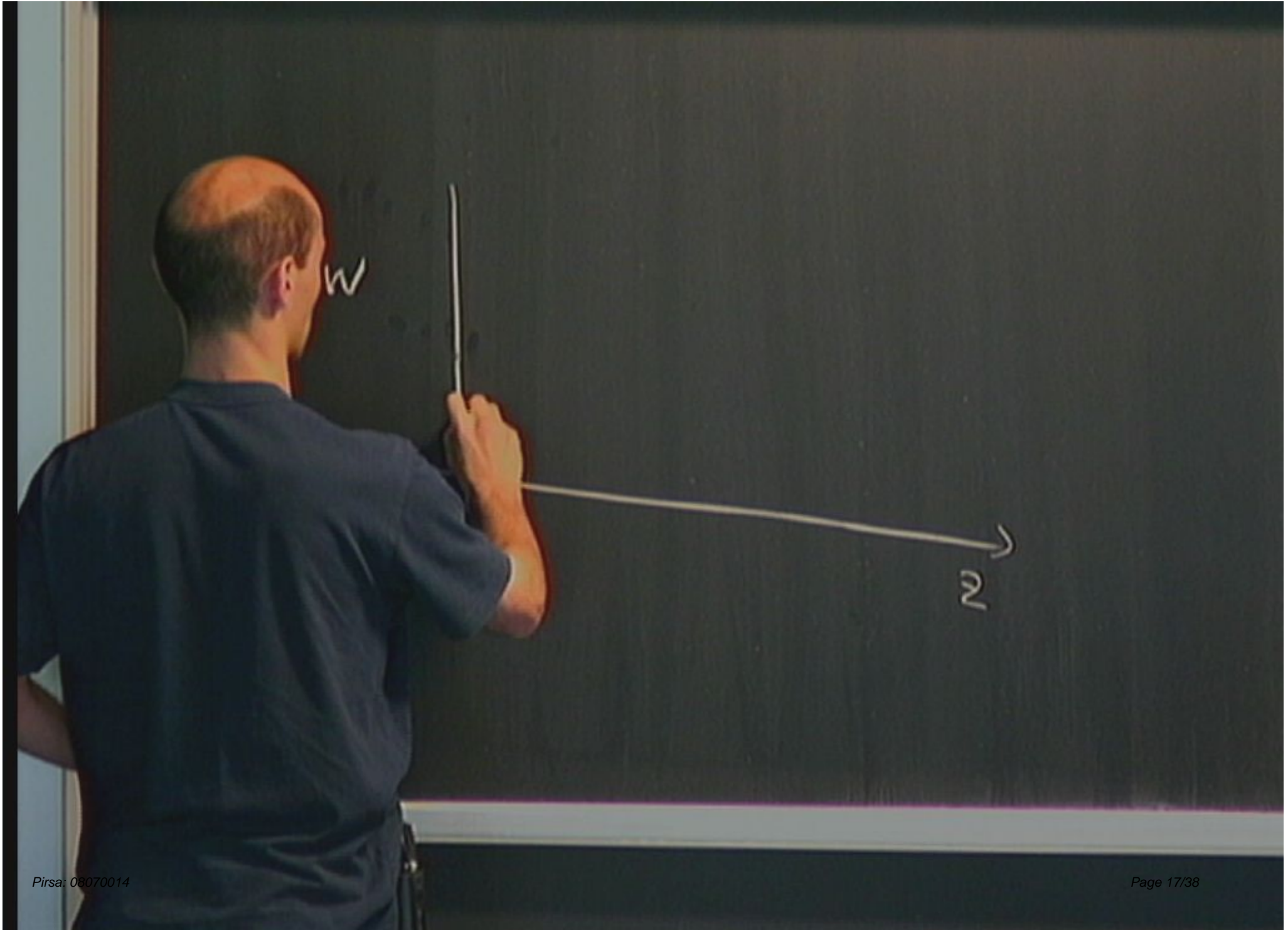
$$\frac{\Delta\alpha}{\alpha} = \zeta\kappa(\phi - \phi_0) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \kappa\phi' = \frac{g'}{\zeta}$$

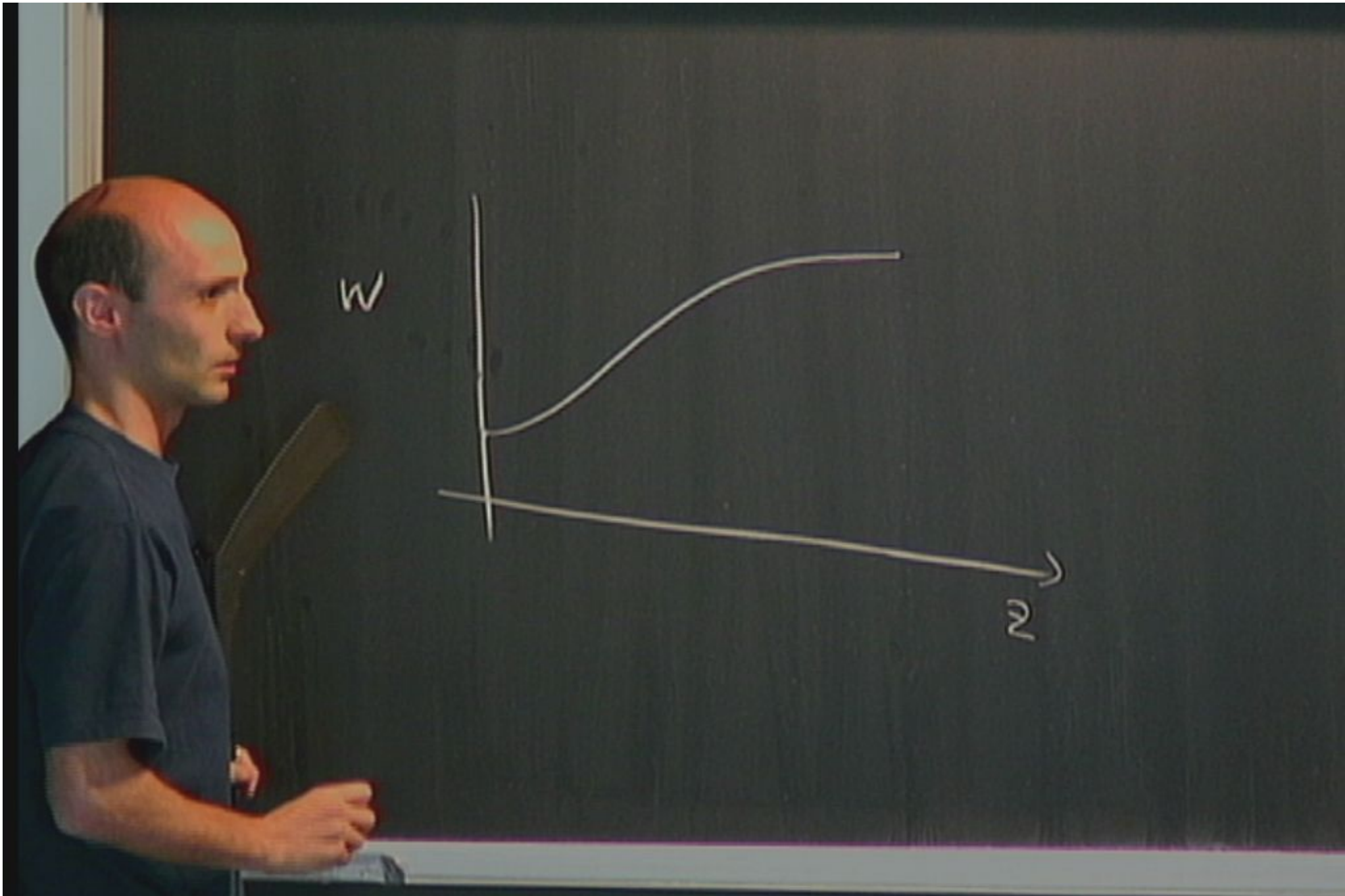
and we can now solve for  $\sigma$

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma' &= -\left(\frac{g'}{\zeta}\right)^2 (\sigma + a^{-3}) \\ w &= -1 + \frac{1}{3}\left(\frac{g'}{\zeta}\right)^2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sigma a^3}\right)\end{aligned}$$

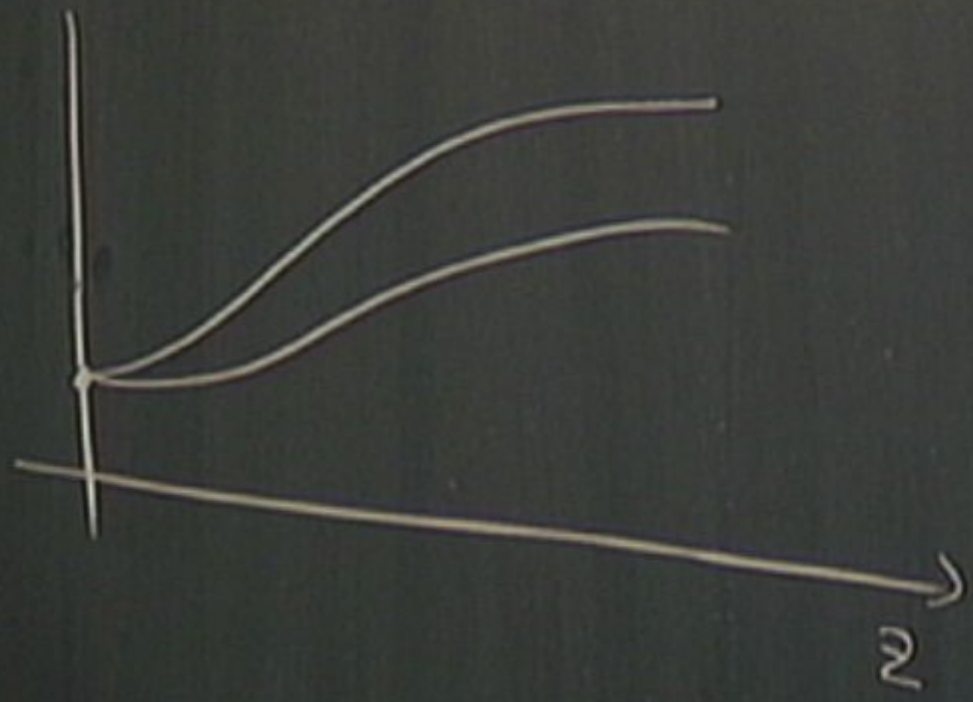


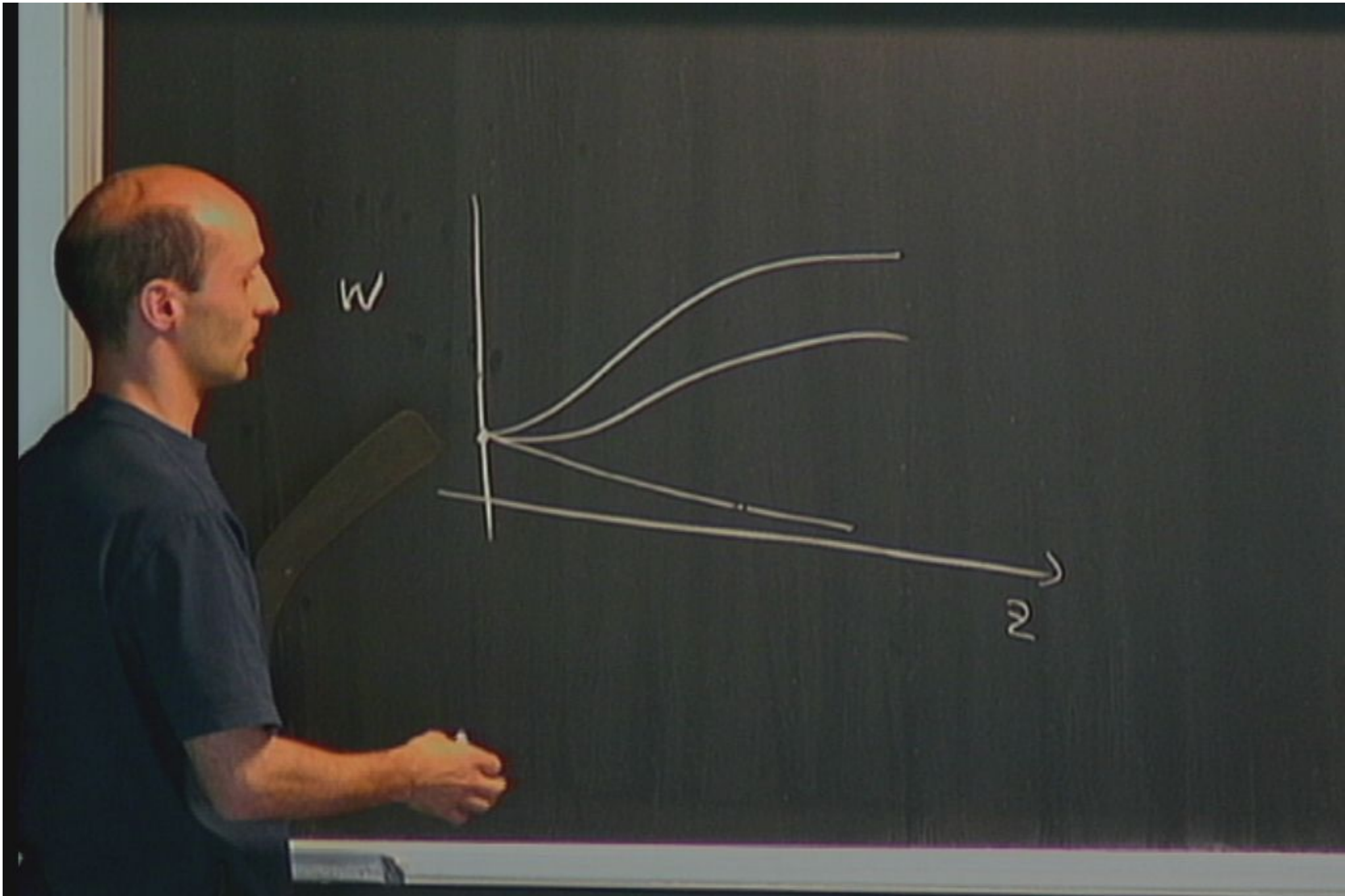






$w$





## 10. Reconstruction procedure (cont.)

### STEP 3: Estimating $\zeta$

Need to normalize the equation of state parameter at some value of redshift.

$$w = -1 + \frac{(\kappa\phi')^2}{3\Omega_\phi} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \zeta^2 = \frac{1}{3} \frac{g_1^2}{\Omega_{\phi 0}(1+w_0)}$$

Typical values:

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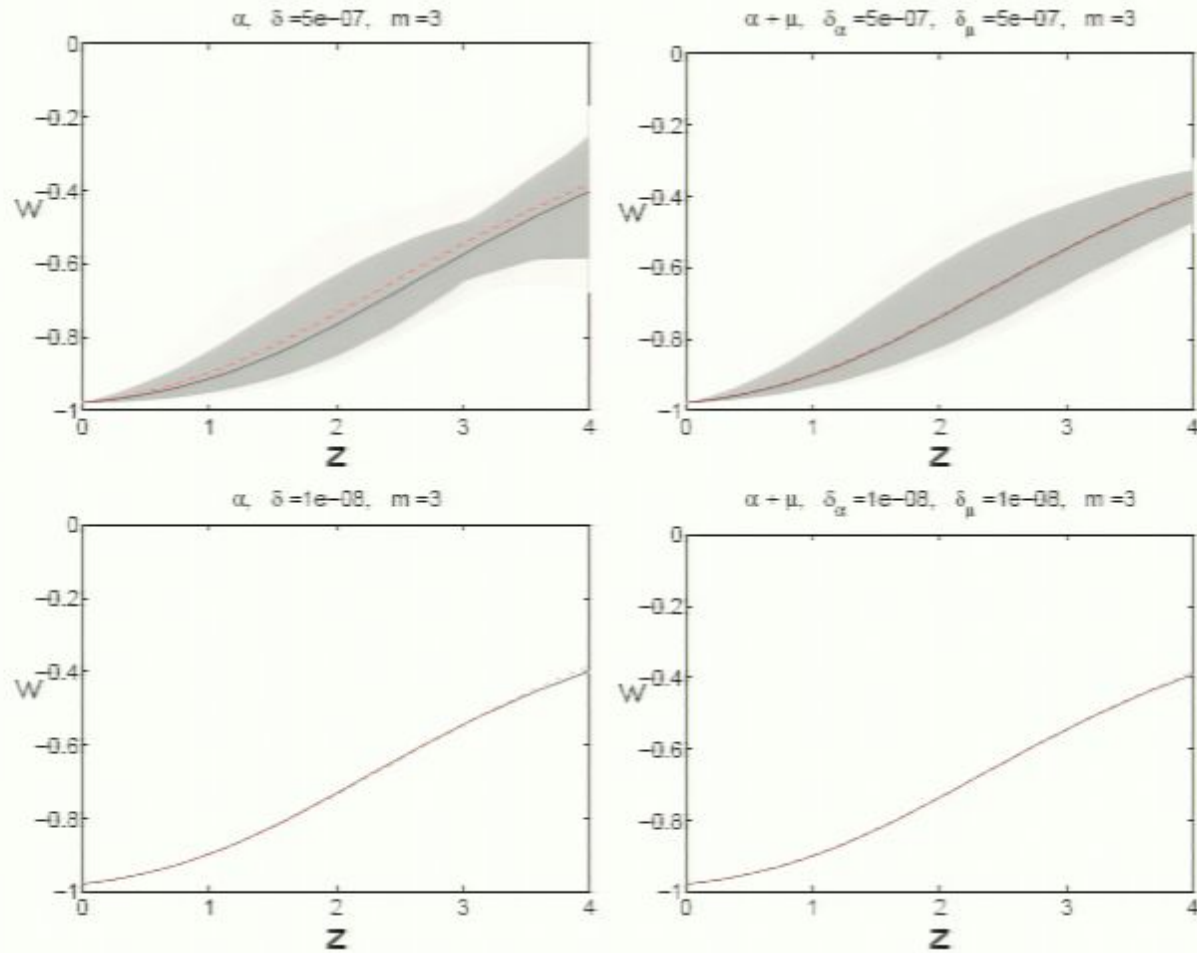
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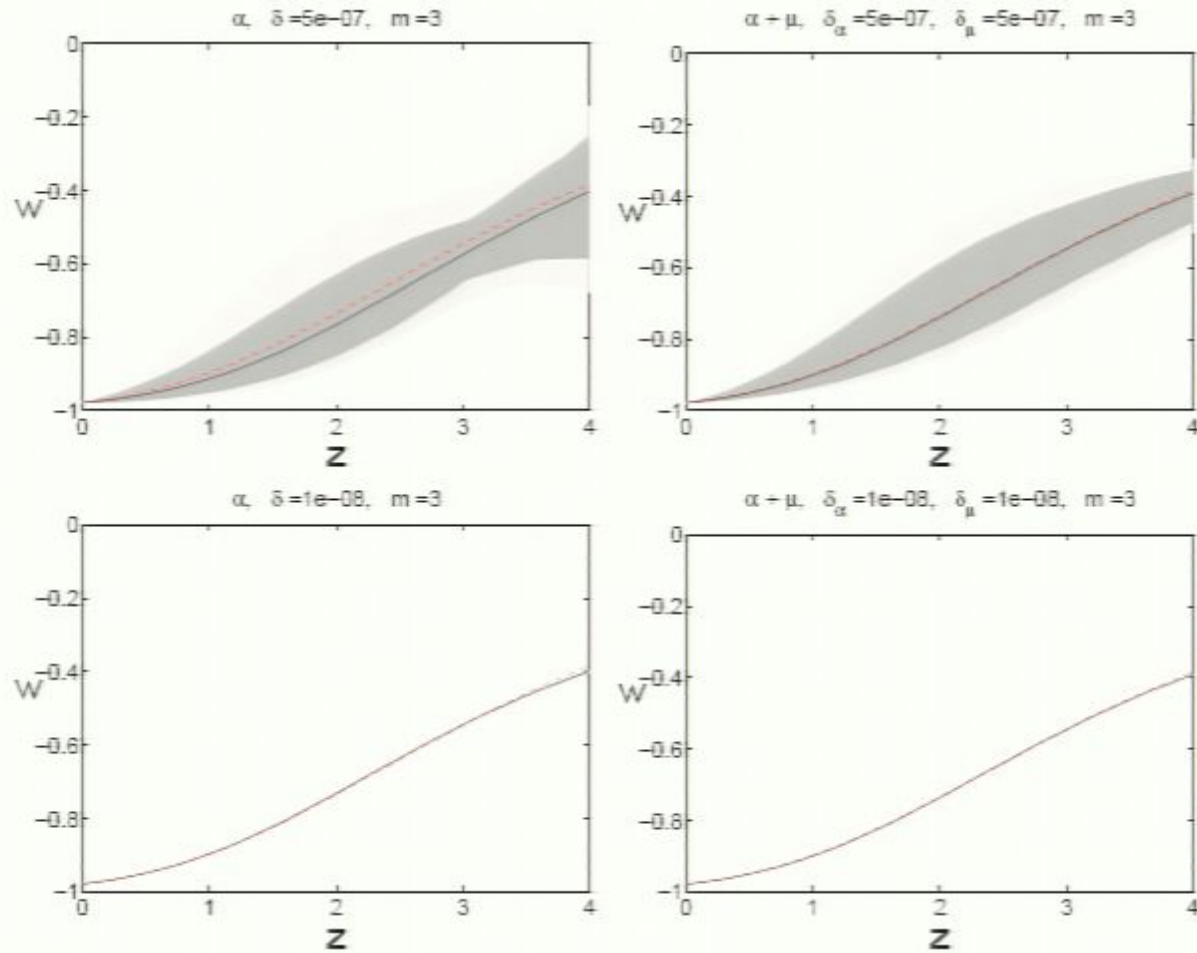
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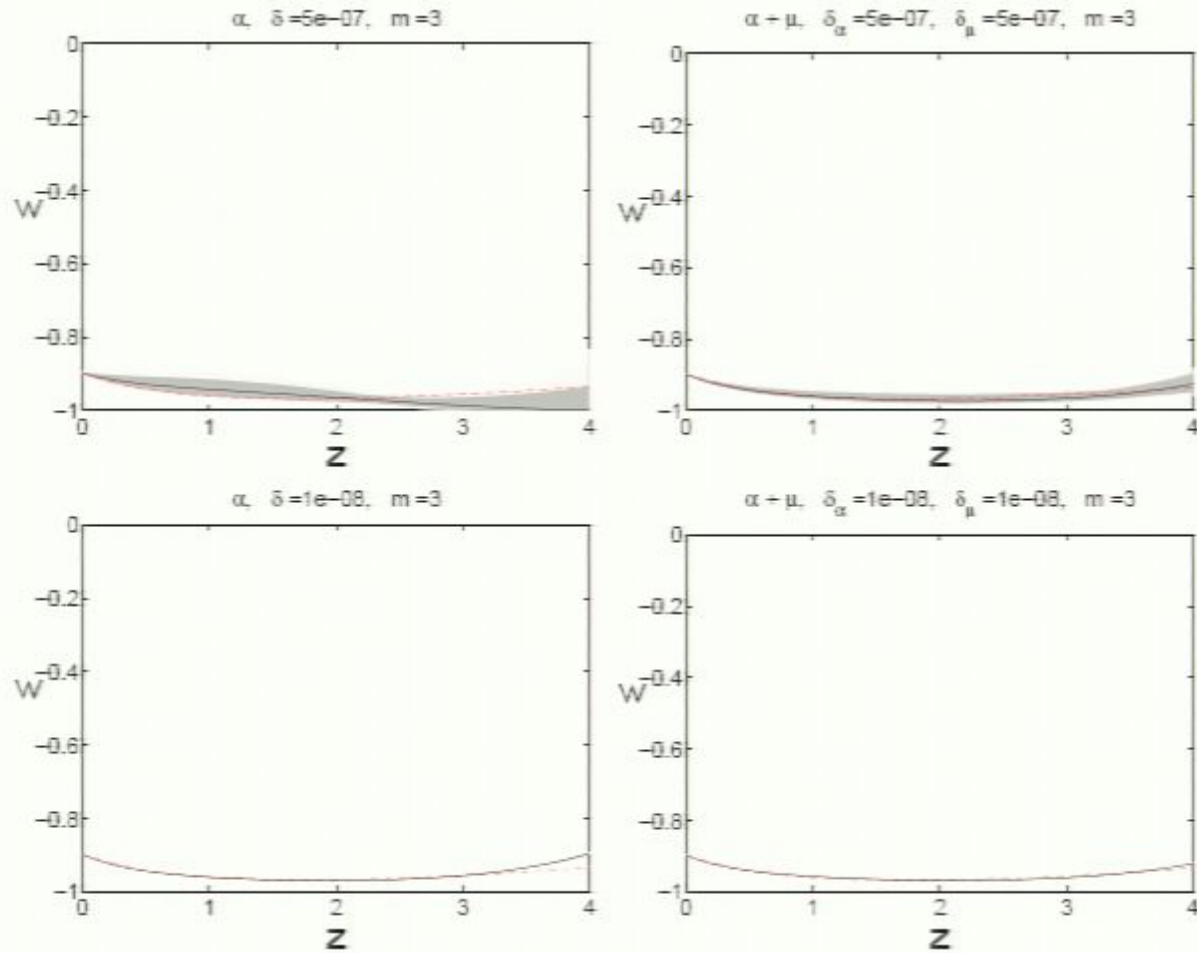


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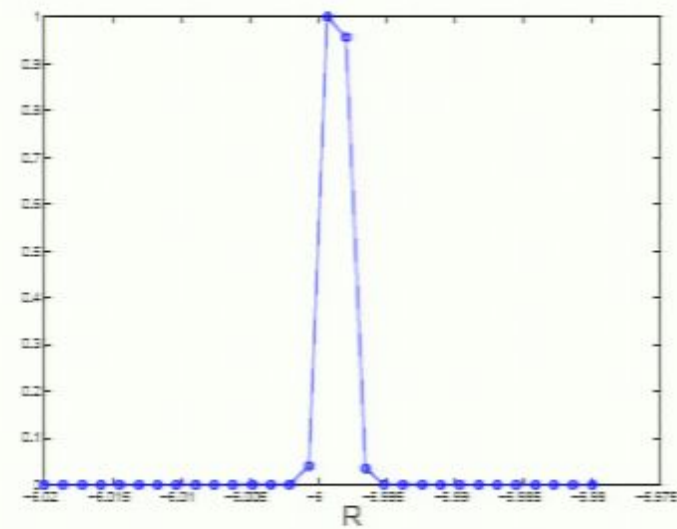
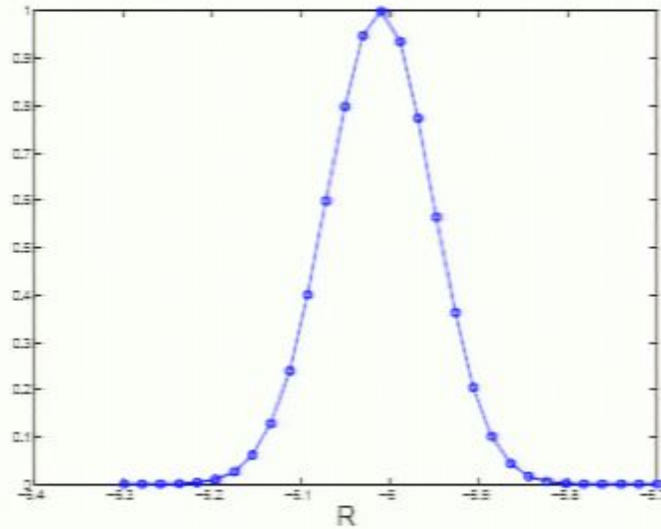
## 12. Reconstruction examples (cont.)



$$V(\phi) = V_0(e^{50\kappa\phi} + e^{0.8\kappa\phi})$$

## 13. Fitting $R$

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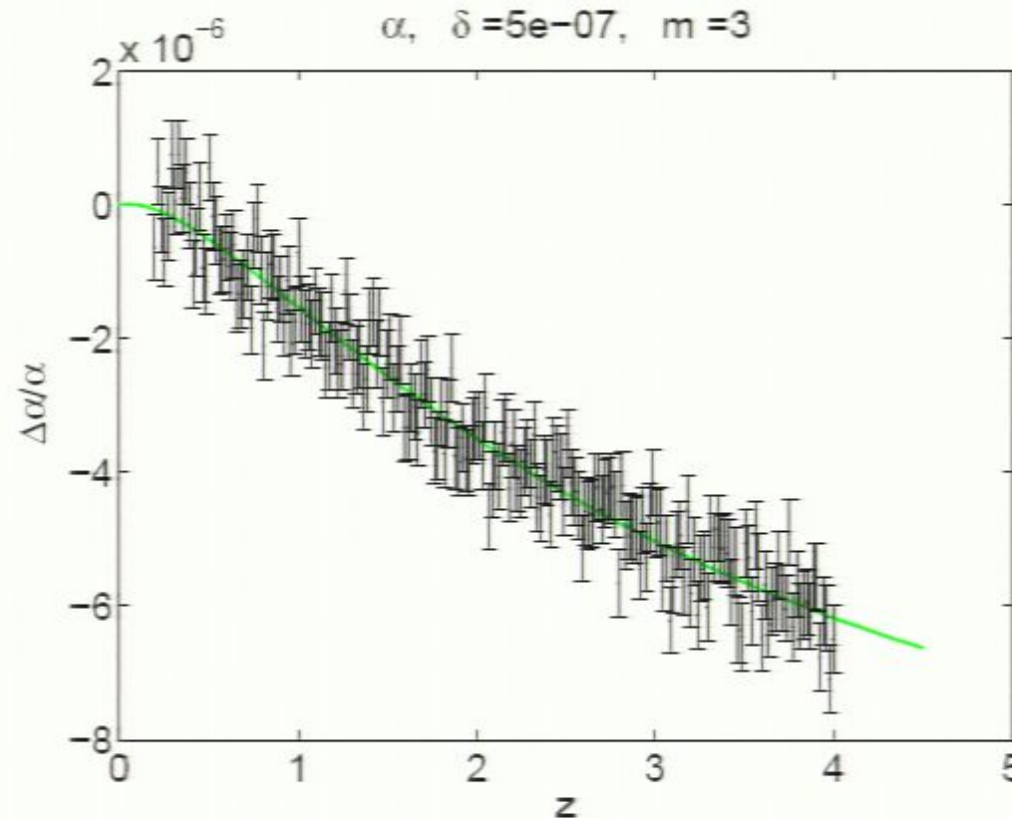


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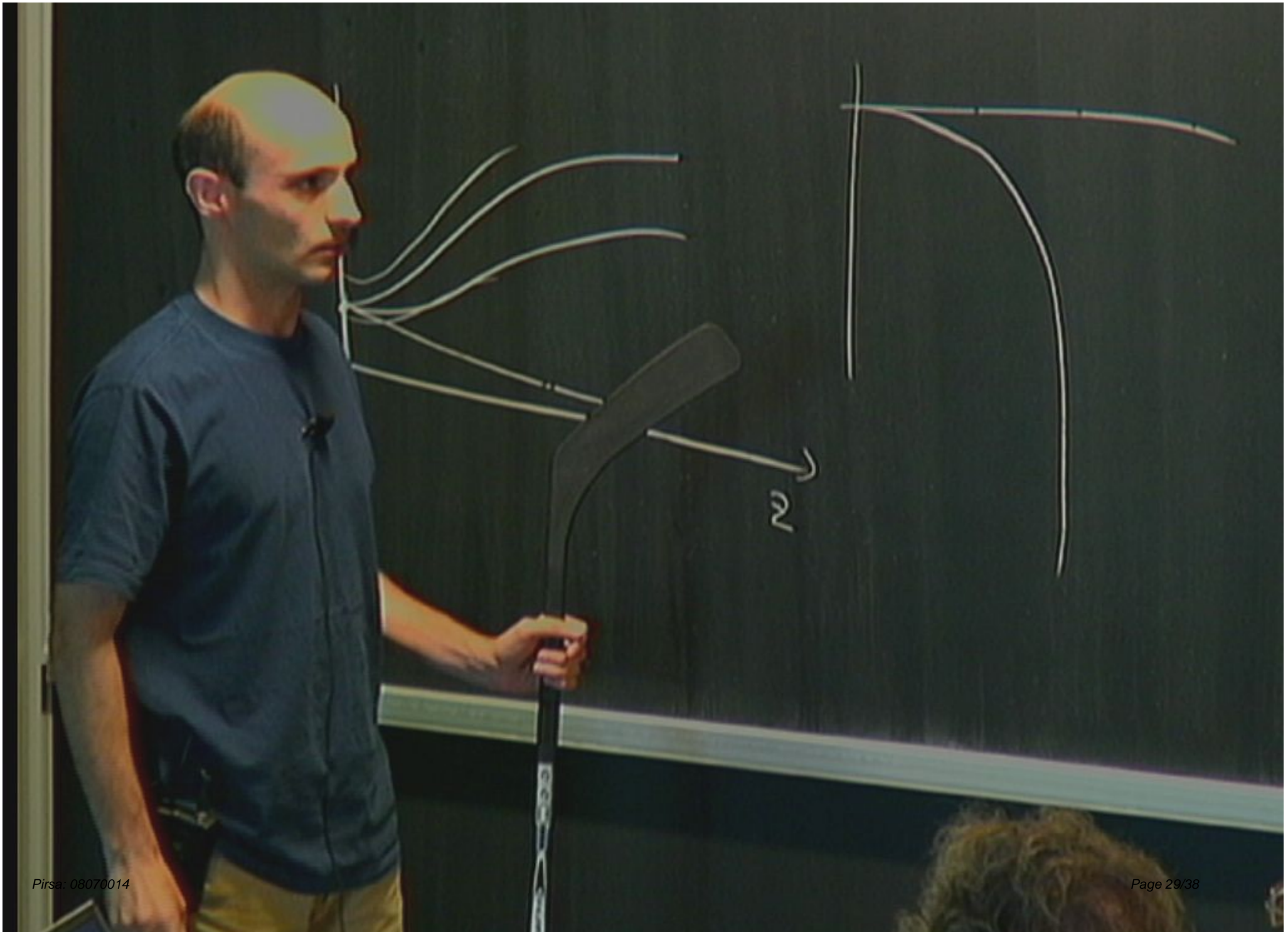
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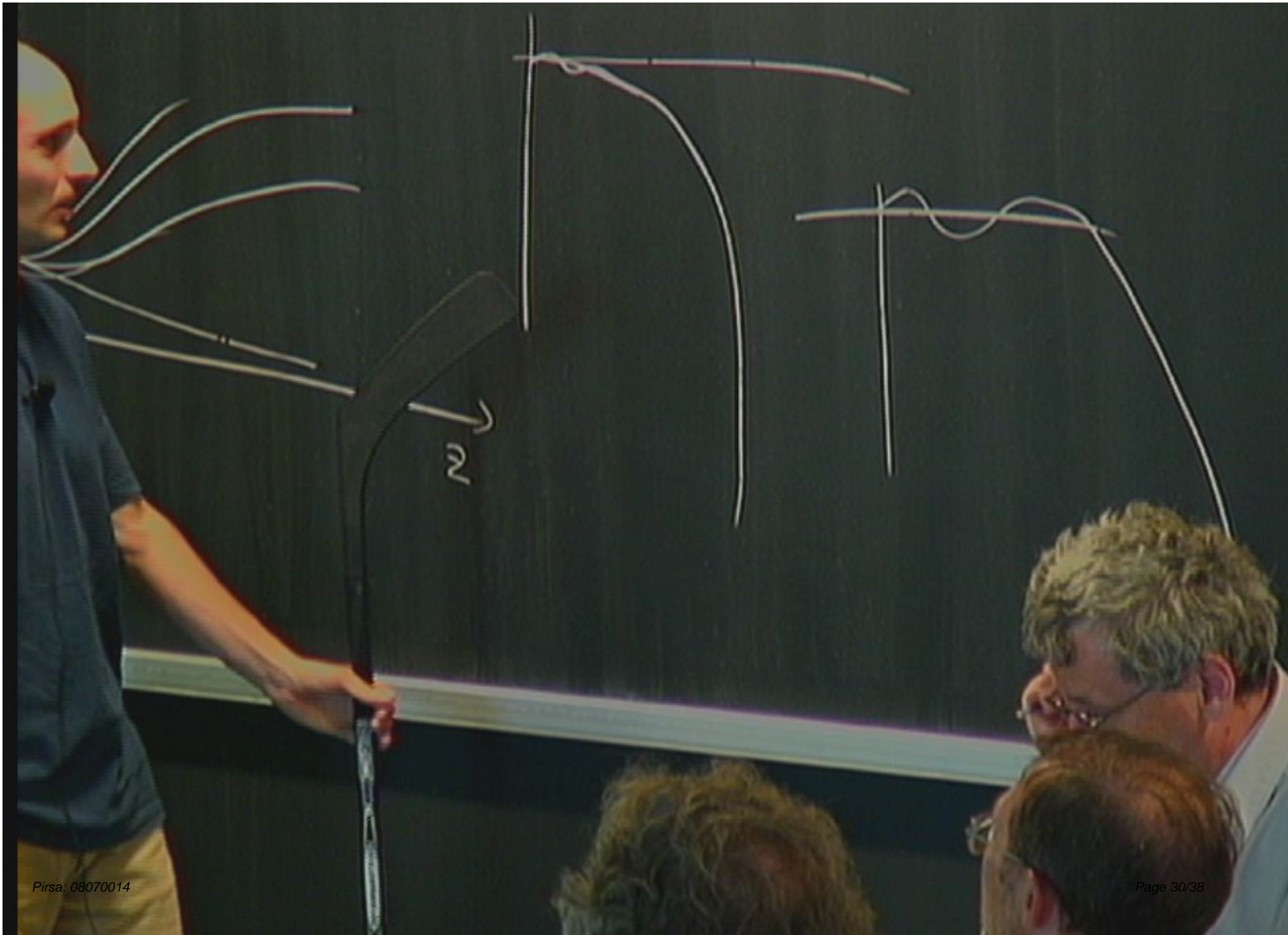
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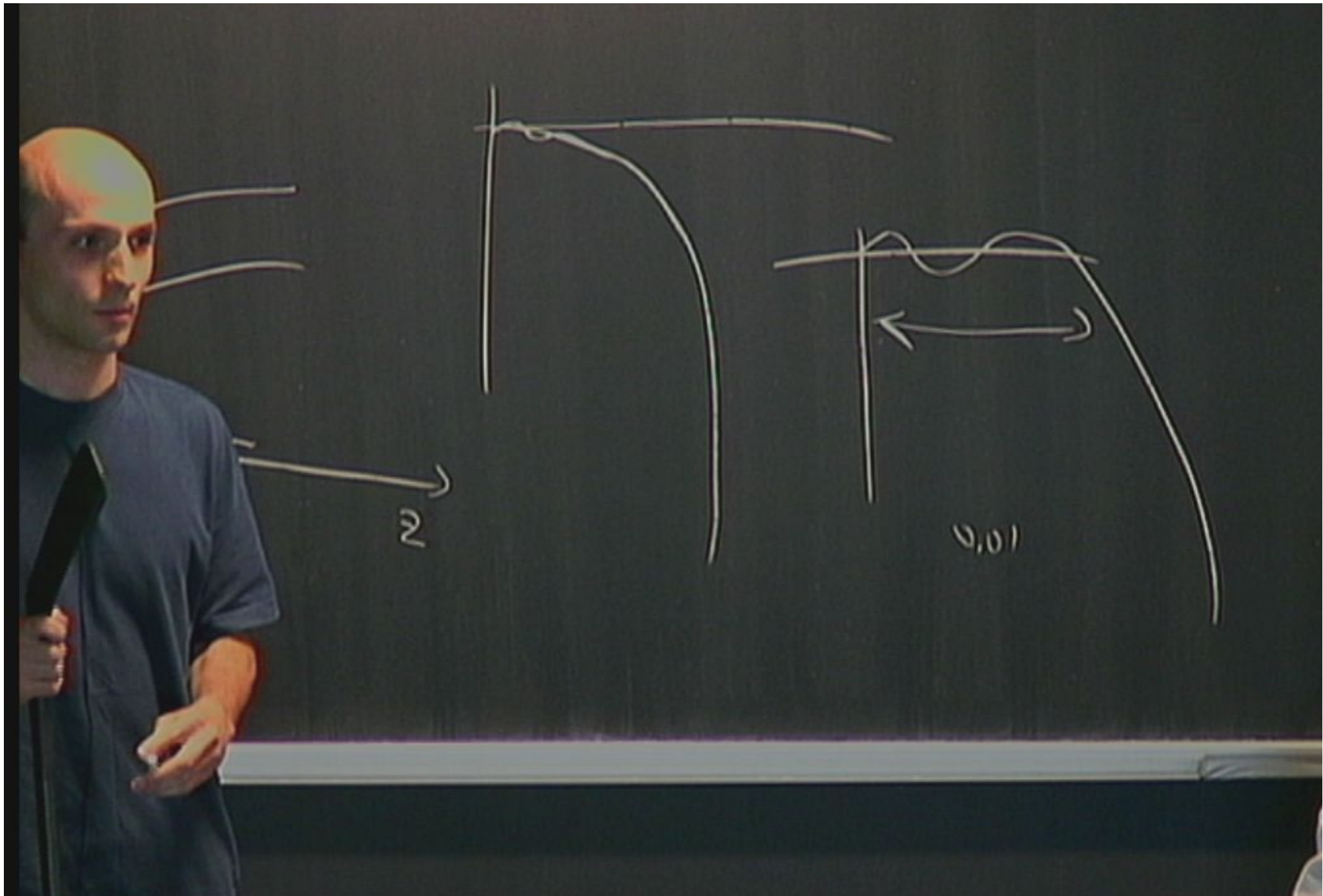
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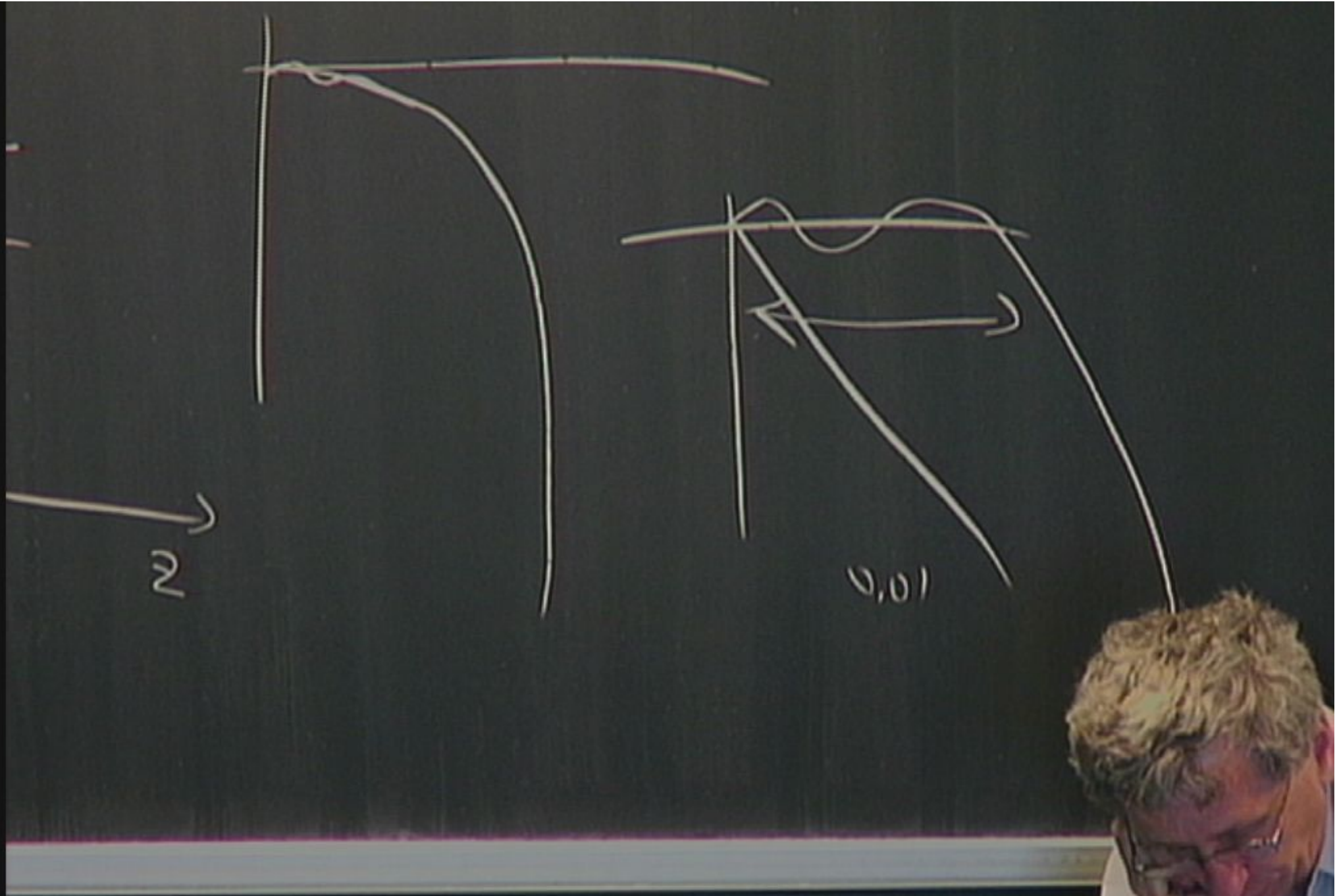


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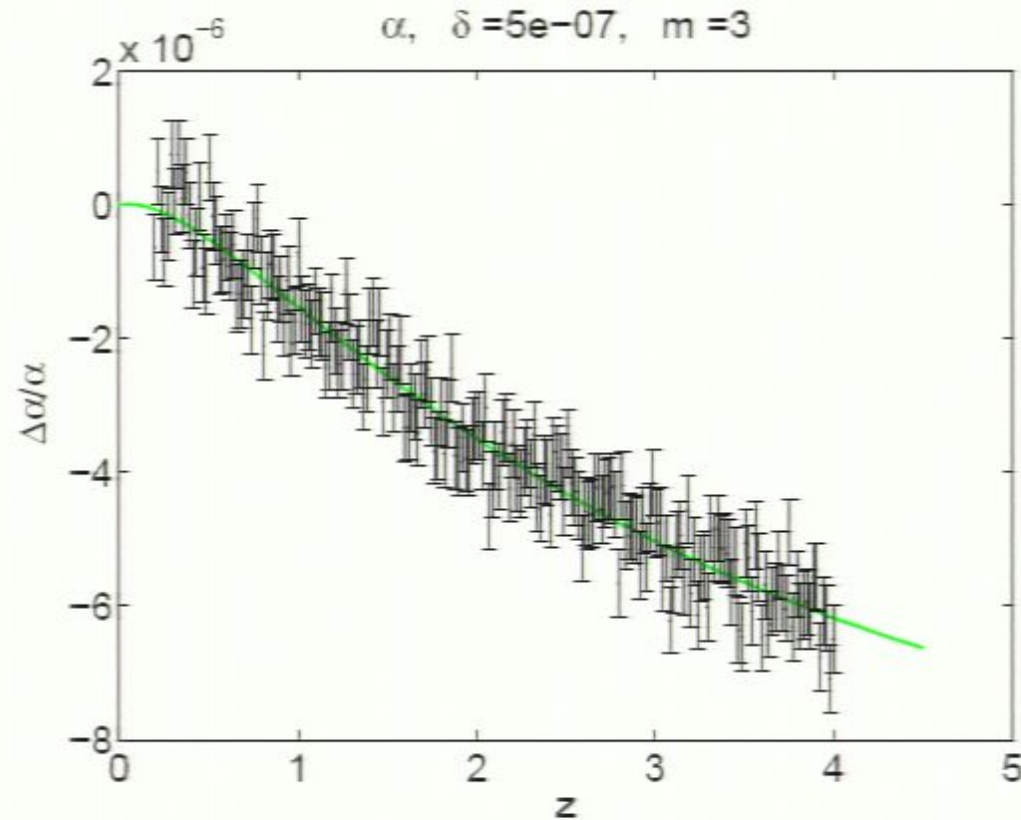




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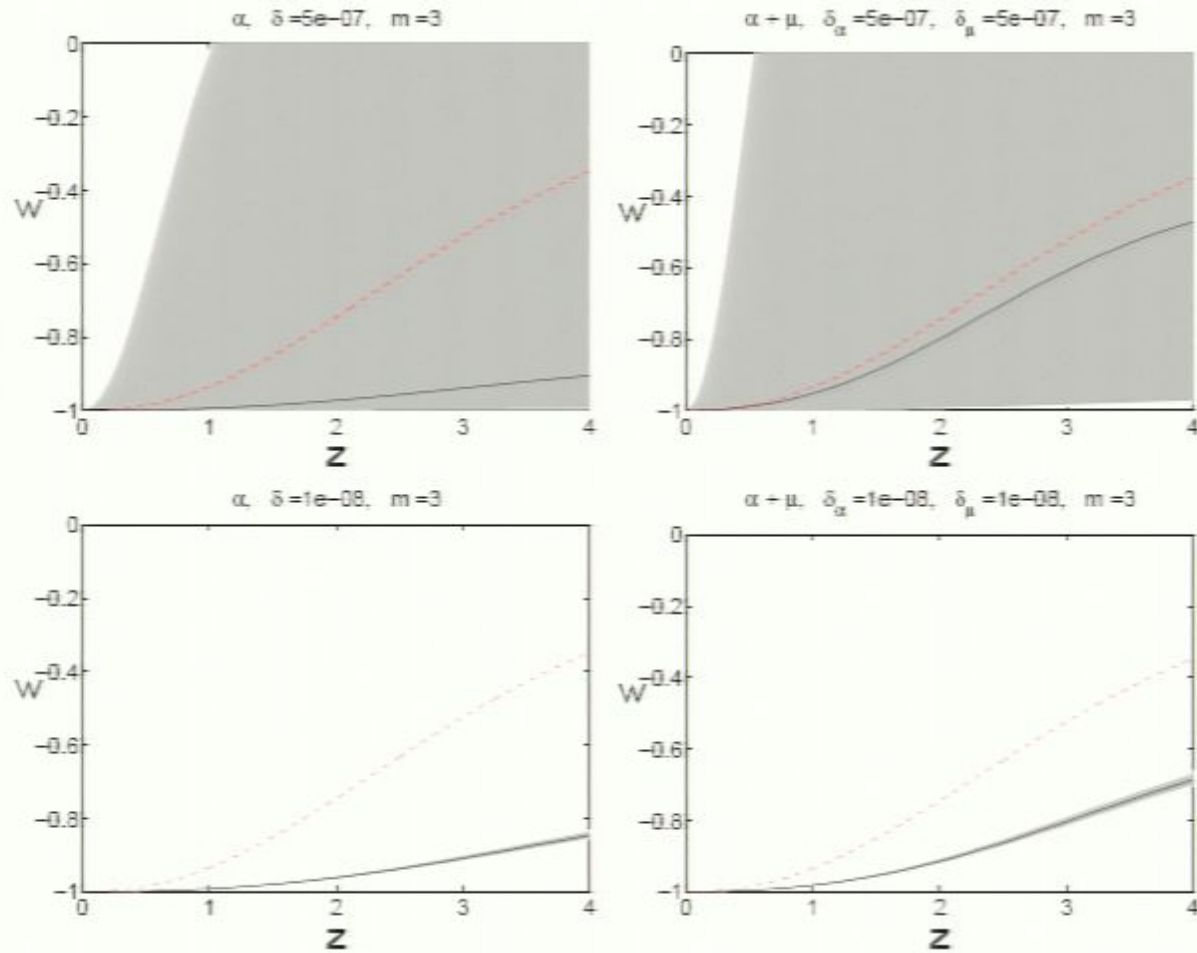
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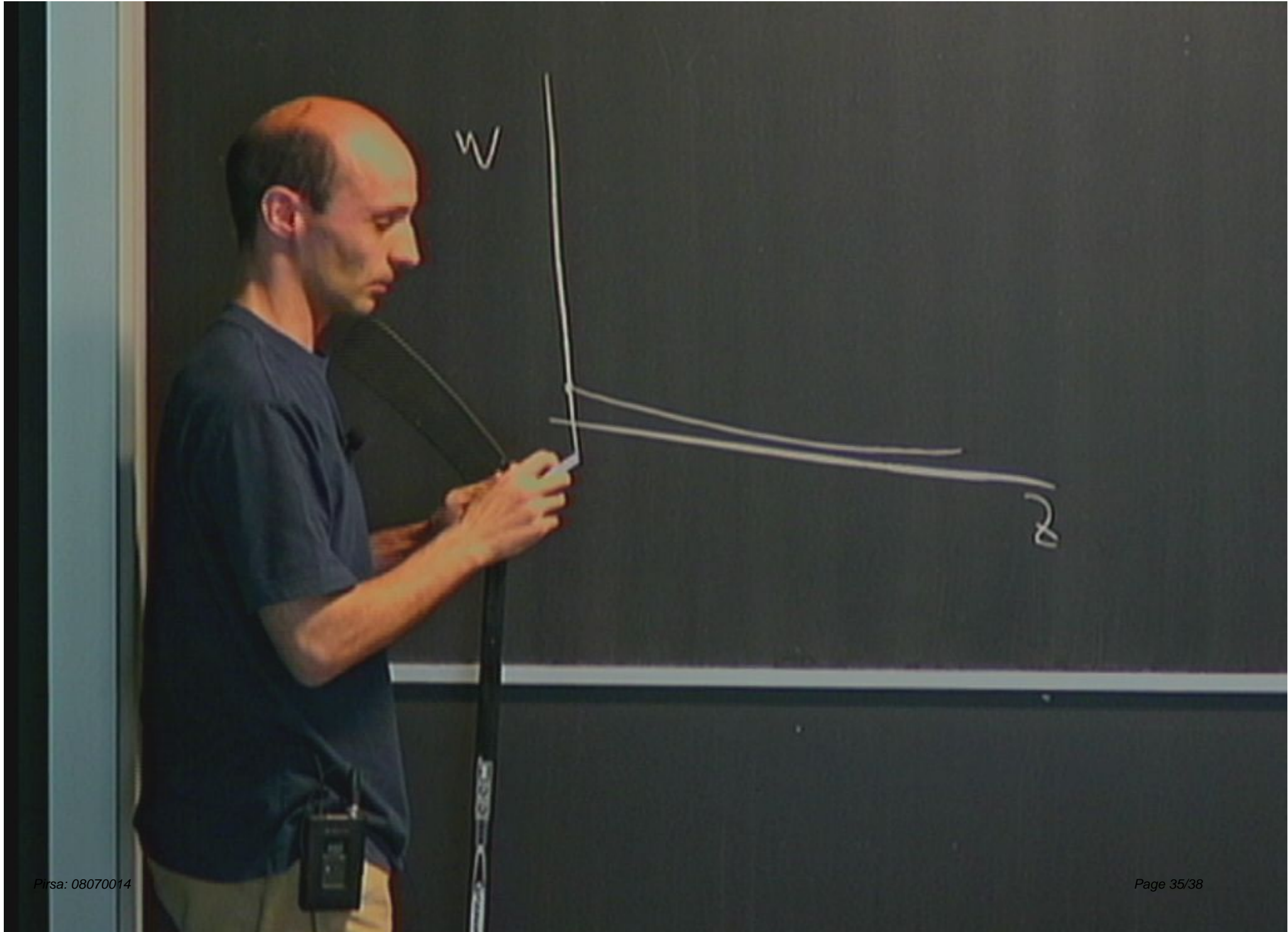


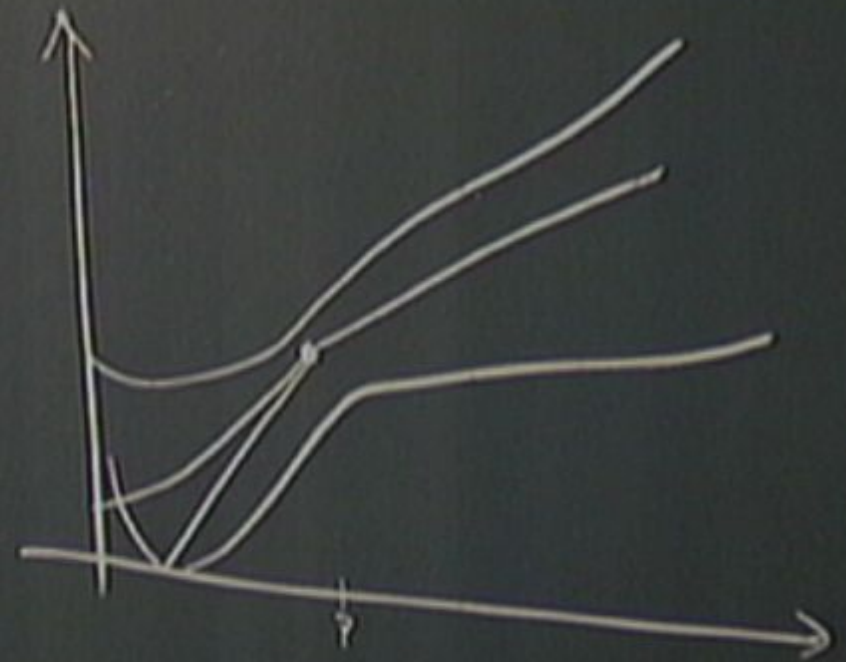
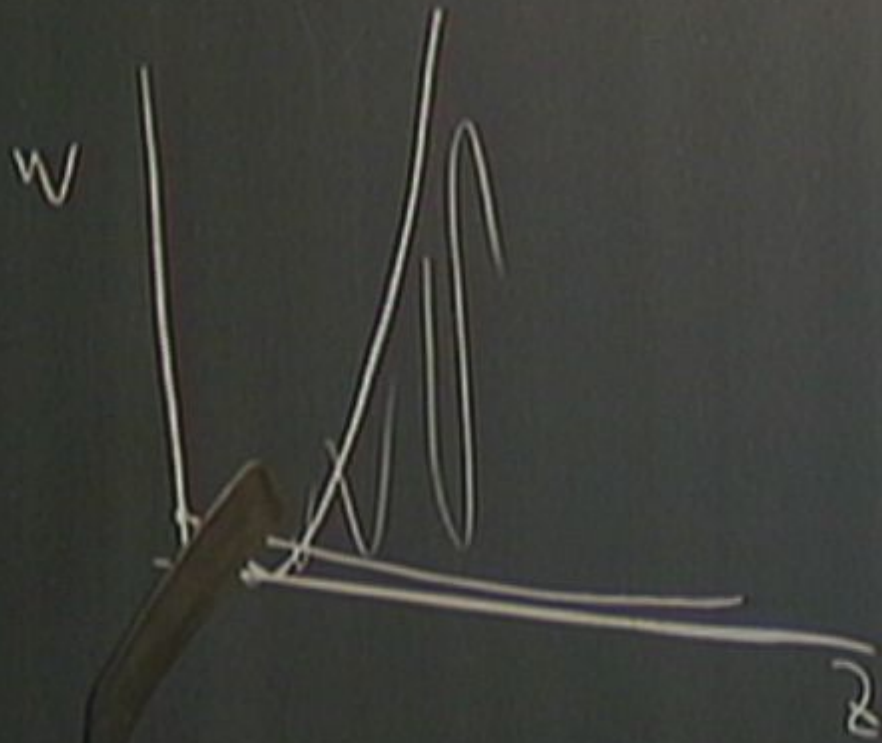
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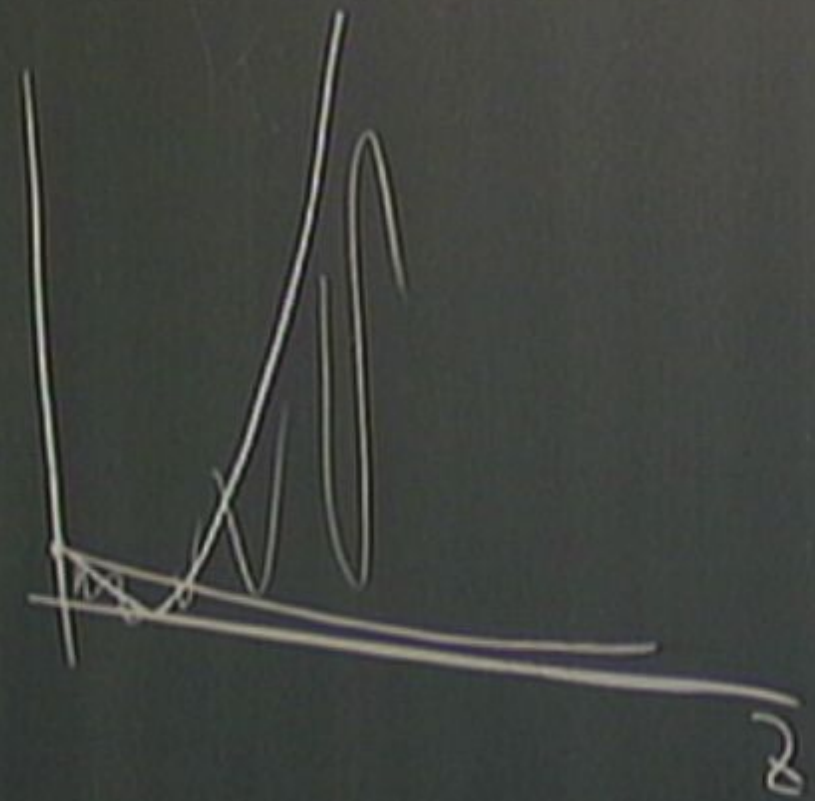






$$\begin{aligned} \phi &\propto \ln a \\ \phi &\propto Aa^n \end{aligned}$$

$w$



## 16. Consider general $B_F(\phi)$

$$B_F(\phi) = \left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right)^\epsilon [1 - \zeta(\phi - \phi_0)^q] e^{\tau(\phi - \phi_0)}$$

(Marra and Rosati 2005)

Assume  $V(\phi) = M^{4+n} \phi^{-n}$

1.  $B_F = 1 - \zeta(\phi - \phi_0) \Rightarrow \zeta < 0.6 \times 10^{-6}$
2.  $B_F = 1 - \zeta(\phi - \phi_0)^q \Rightarrow q = 17$ , experimental constraints are satisfied even for  $\zeta = 1$ .
3.  $B_F = (\phi/\phi_0)^\epsilon \Rightarrow |\epsilon| < 4 \times 10^{-7}$
4.  $B_F = (\phi/\phi_0)^\epsilon (1 - \zeta(\phi - \phi_0)) \Rightarrow$  oscillations in  $\Delta\alpha/\alpha$
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