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Abstract: The growth of matter perturbations in the presence of dark energy with small fluctuations depends on the speed of sound of these fluctuations and the comoving scale. The growth index can differ from the value that it takes in the limit of no dark energy perturbations by an amount comparable to the accuracy of future observations. This may contribute to a better characterization of the dark energy properties.

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Overview

- **Dark energy perturbations and the growth of structures**
Phys.Lett.B668:171-176,2008 arXiv:0807.3343
 - ▶ Introduction
 - ★ The acceleration of the Universe
 - ★ Dark energy vs modified gravity and the nature of dark energy
 - ▶ Expansion history and Growth history
 - ▶ The growth index
 - ▶ Entropy perturbations and the sound speed
 - ▶ Results
 - ▶ **Conclusions**

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The Cosmological Principle:

Spatial homogeneity and isotropy on very large scales

FLRW metric:

$$ds^2 = a^2 \left[-d\tau^2 + \delta_{ij} dx^i dx^j + \kappa \frac{(\delta_{ij} x^i dx^j)^2}{1 - \kappa \delta_{ij} x^i x^j} \right], \quad \kappa = \{-1, 0, 1\}.$$

Einstein Equations (General Relativity), perfect fluid.

$$G_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi G T_{\mu\nu},$$

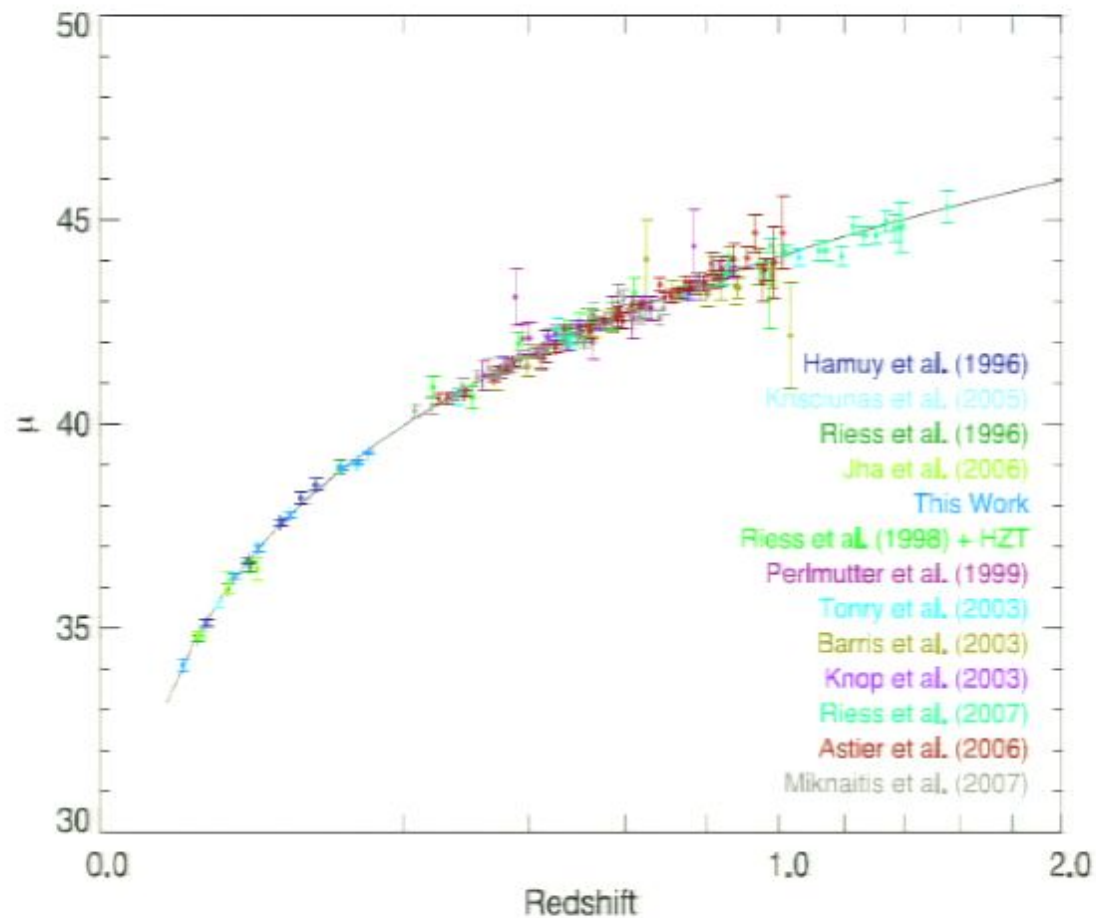
$$\mathcal{H}^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} a^2 \rho - \kappa,$$

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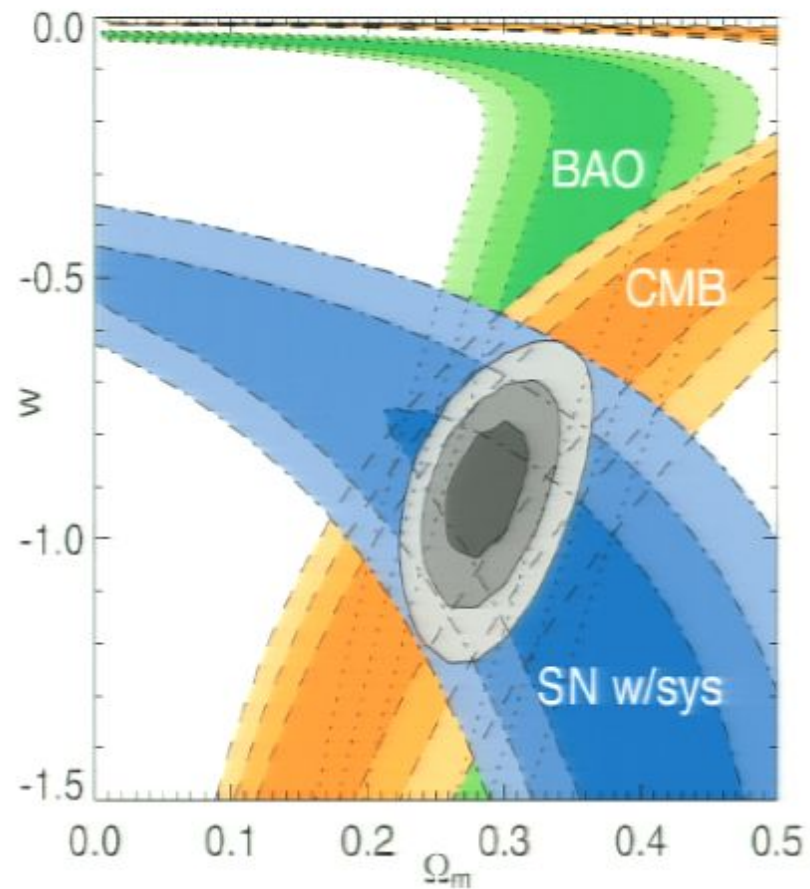
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Supernova Type Ia: standard candles



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$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}Rg_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi G T_{\mu\nu}^{(matter)} - \Lambda g_{\mu\nu}$$
$$P = -\rho$$



A puzzling result

- * $\Omega_{\Lambda}^0 \sim 0.75$ Three quarters of the energy density of the universe.
- * Smallness of Λ . Cosmological constant problem.
- * Coincidence 'problem'. $\Omega_{matter}^0 \sim \Omega_{\Lambda}^0$ (order of magnitude)

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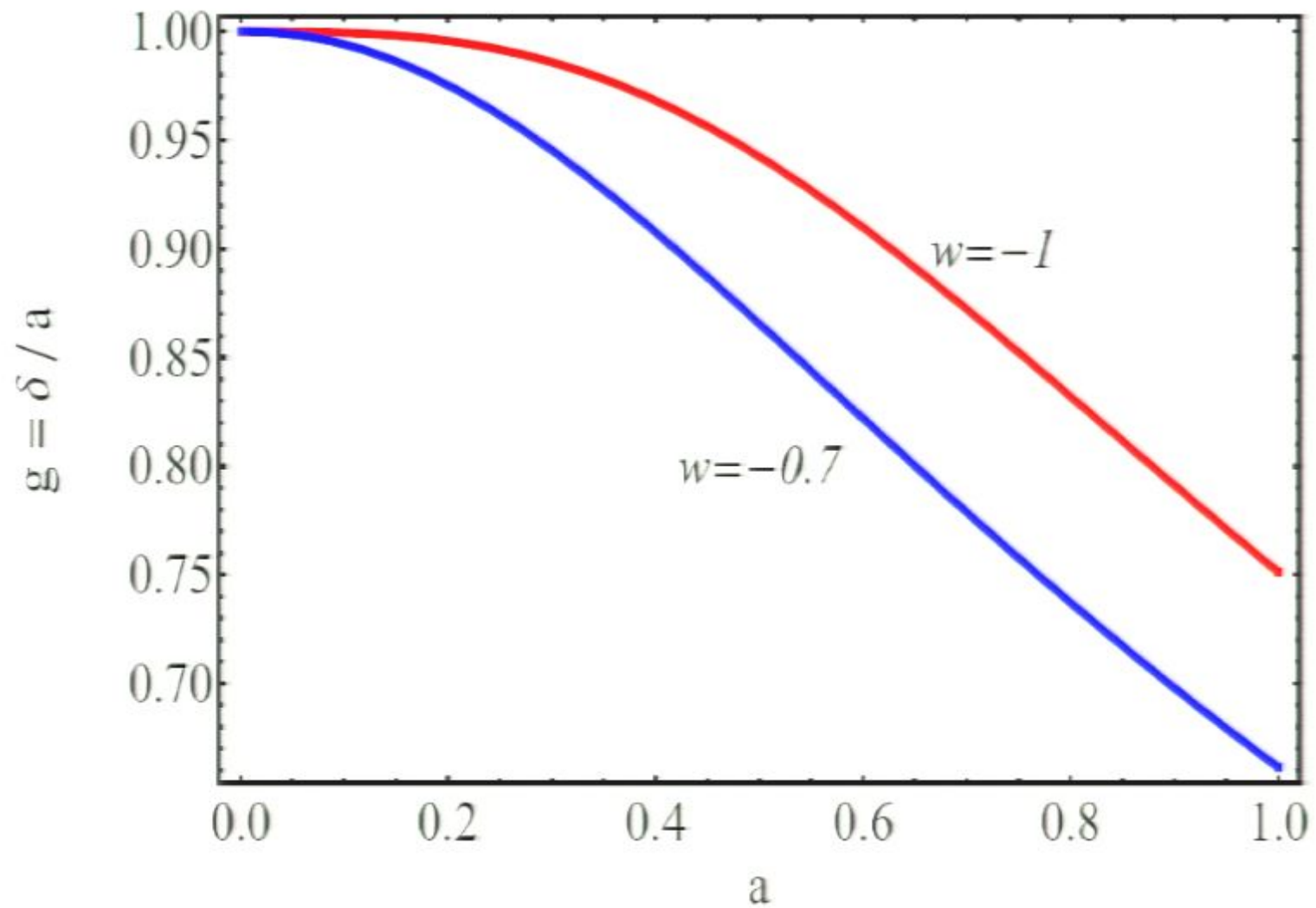
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Growth factor

$$g \equiv \delta_c/a$$

If matter dominated ($\Omega_c \rightarrow 1$): $\mathcal{H} \sim \tau^{-1}$, $\delta_c \sim \tau^2 \sim a \implies g' \sim 0$

Growth factor in General Relativity



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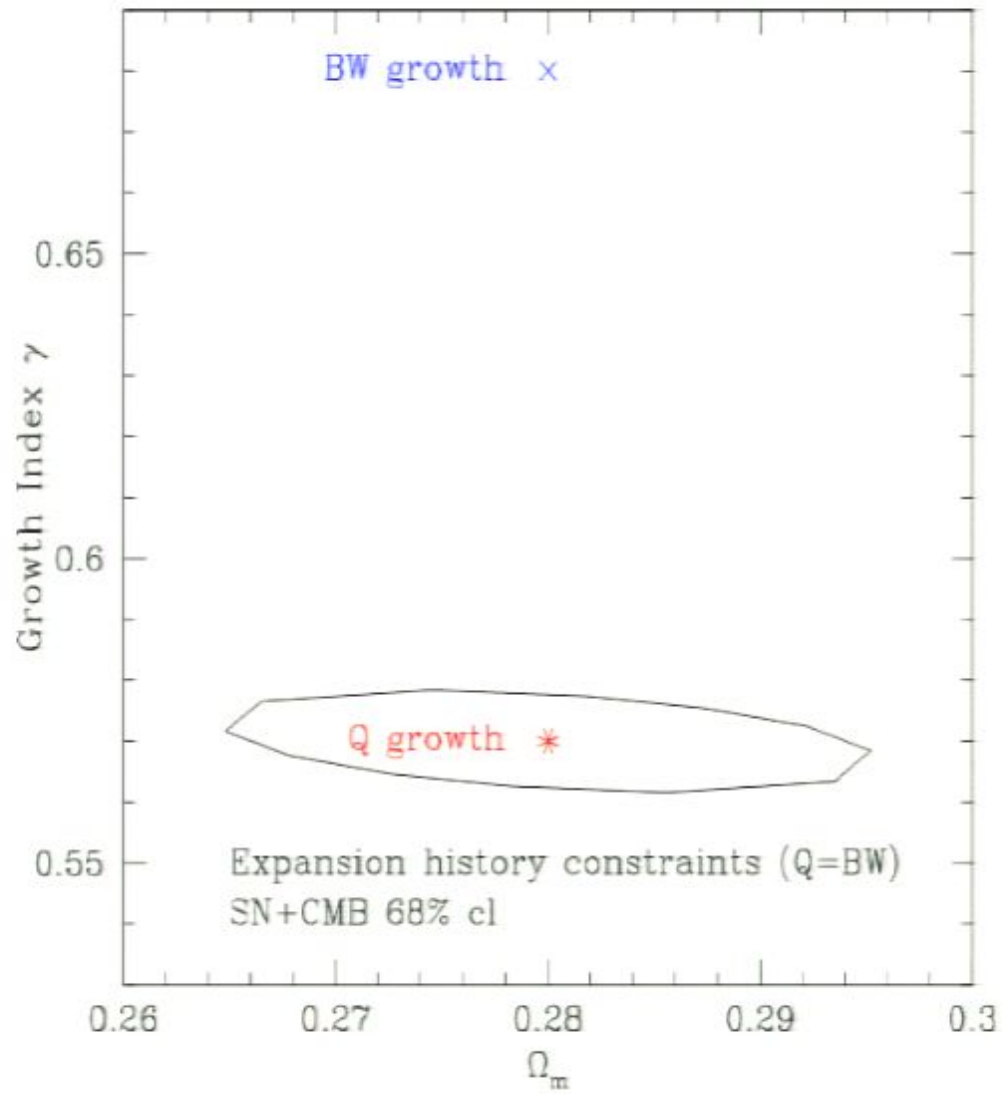
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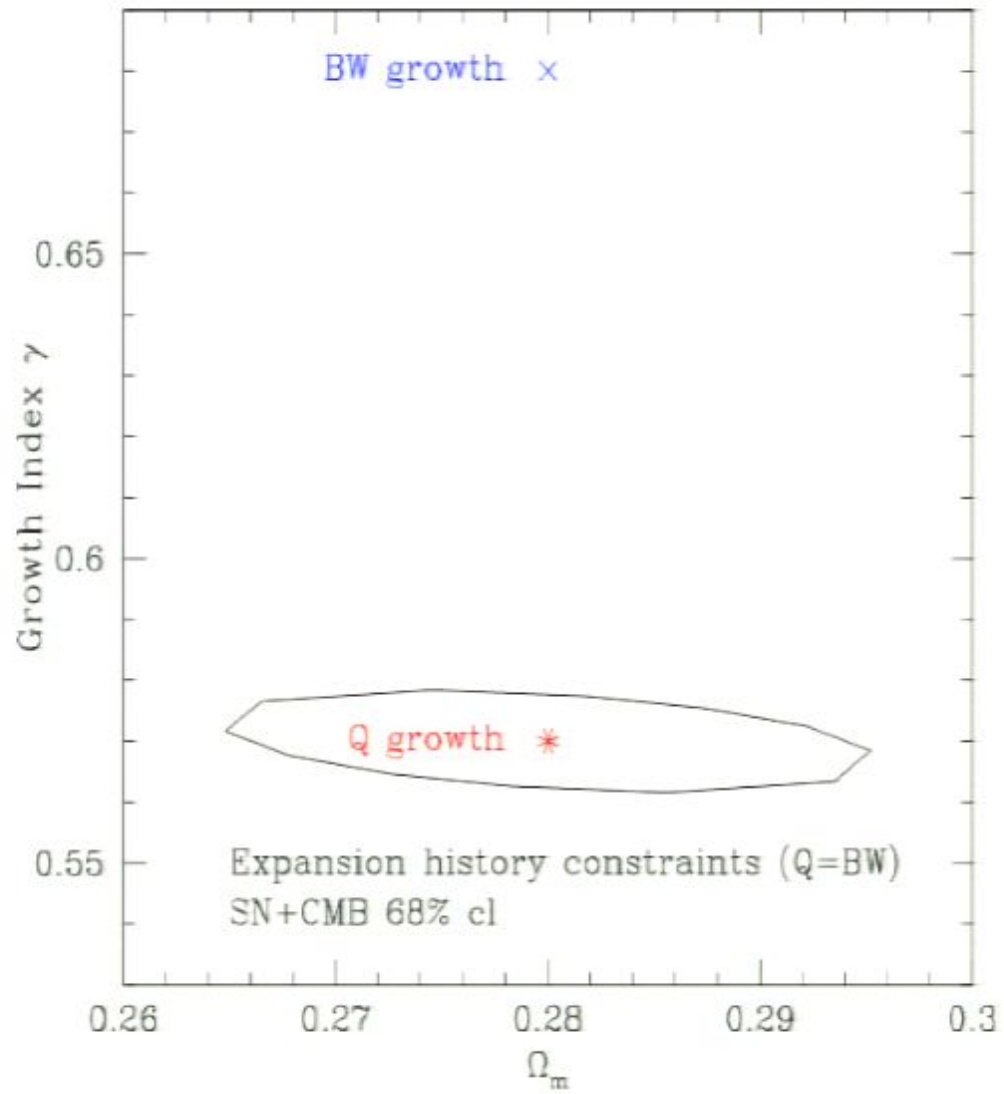
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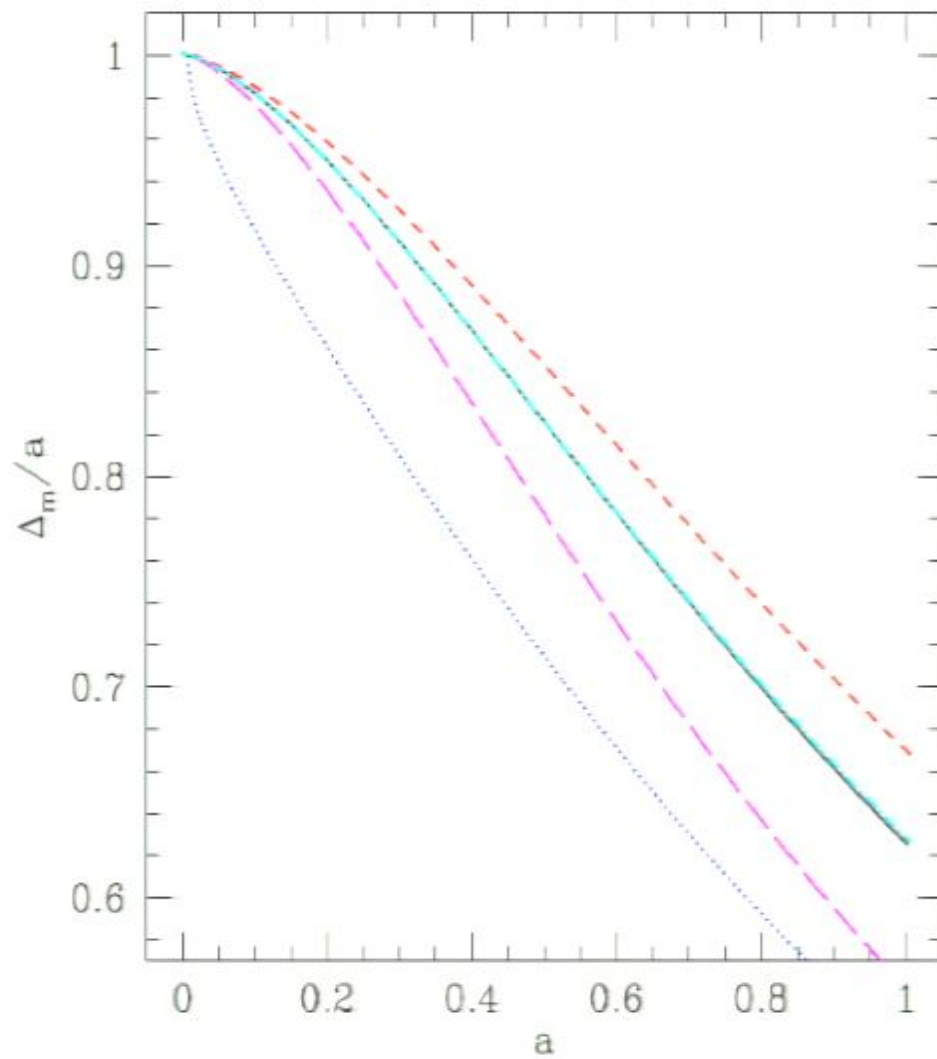
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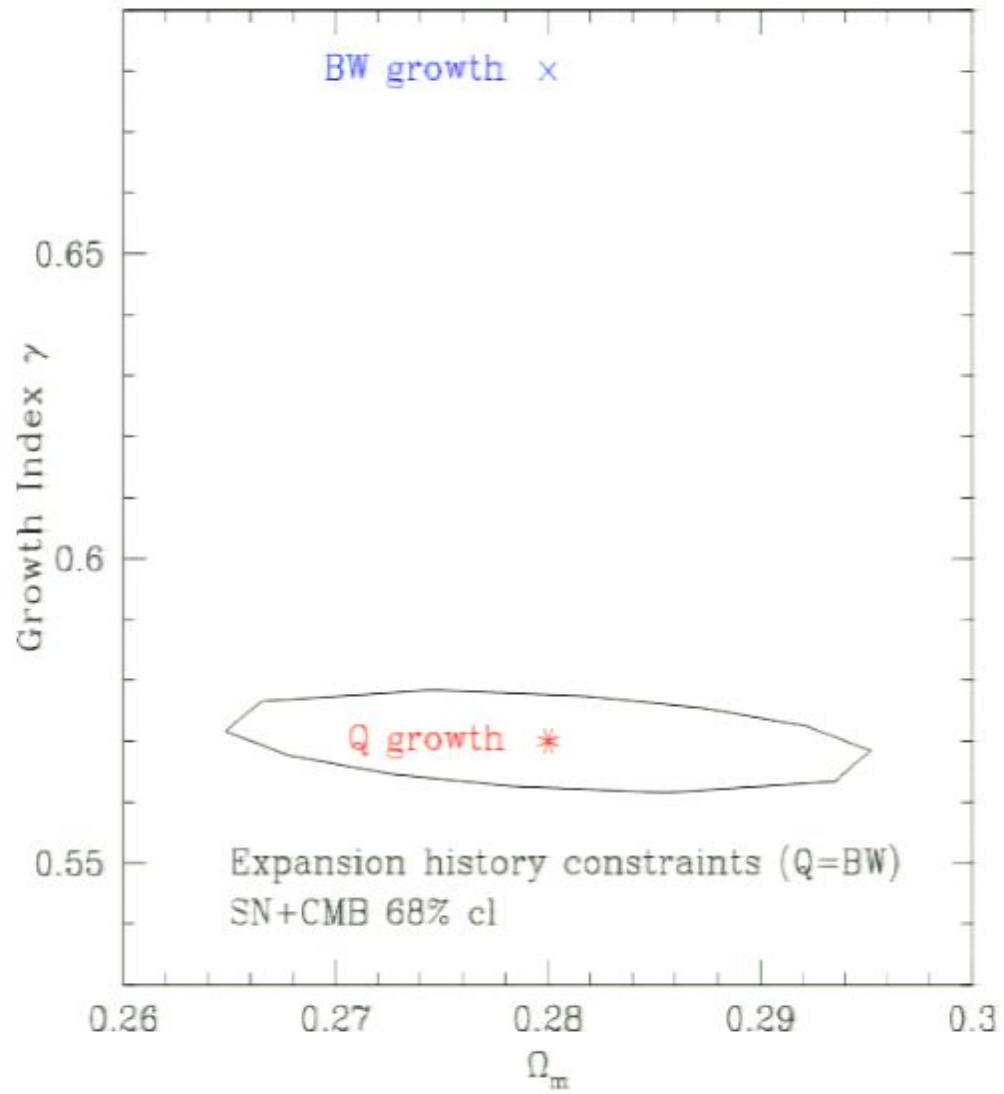


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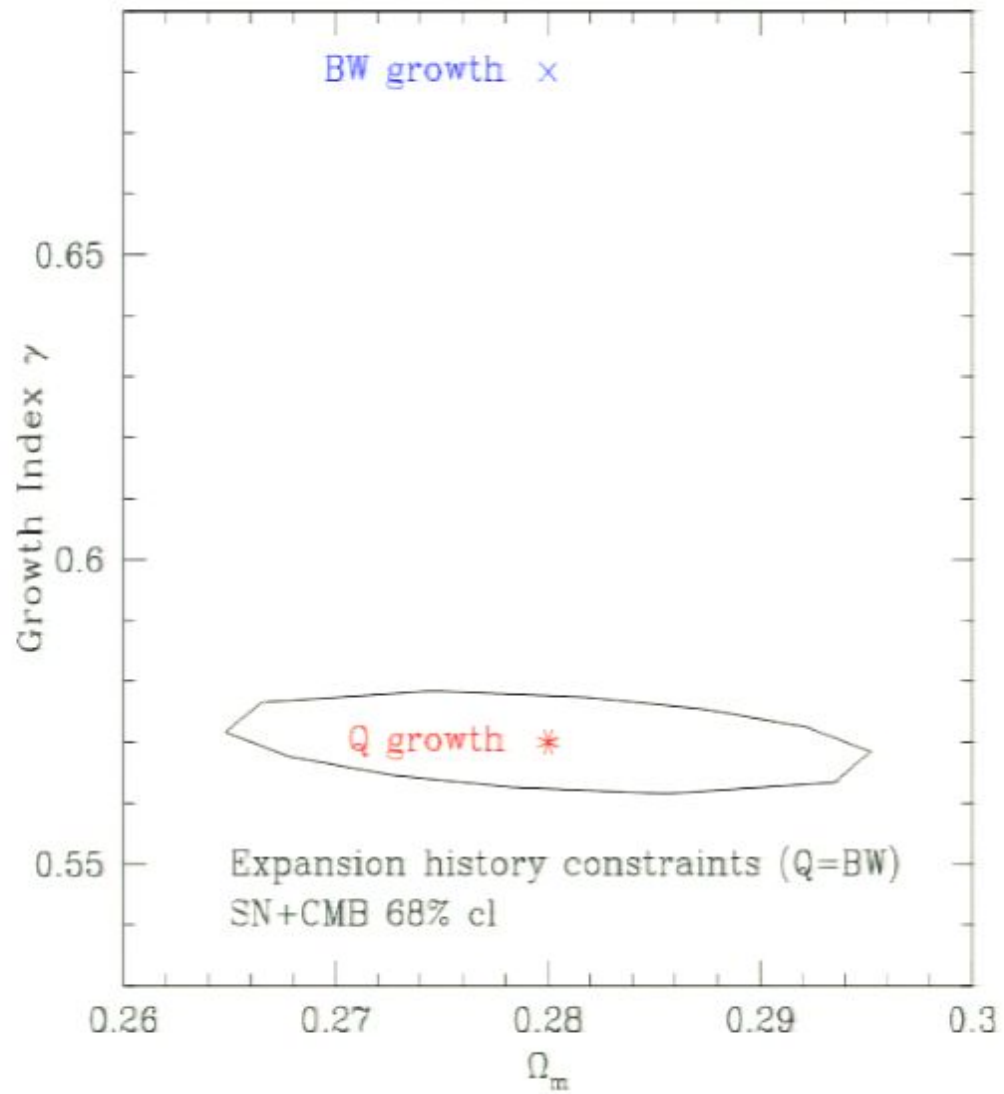
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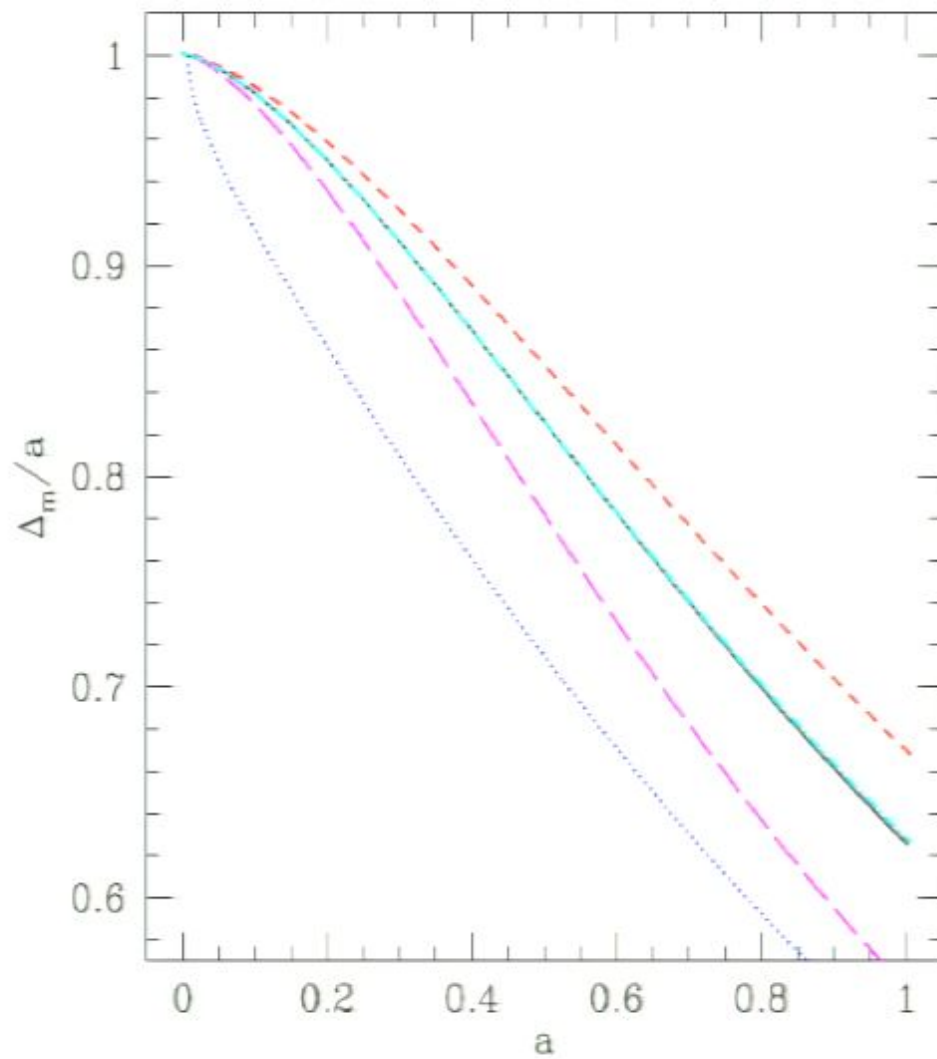
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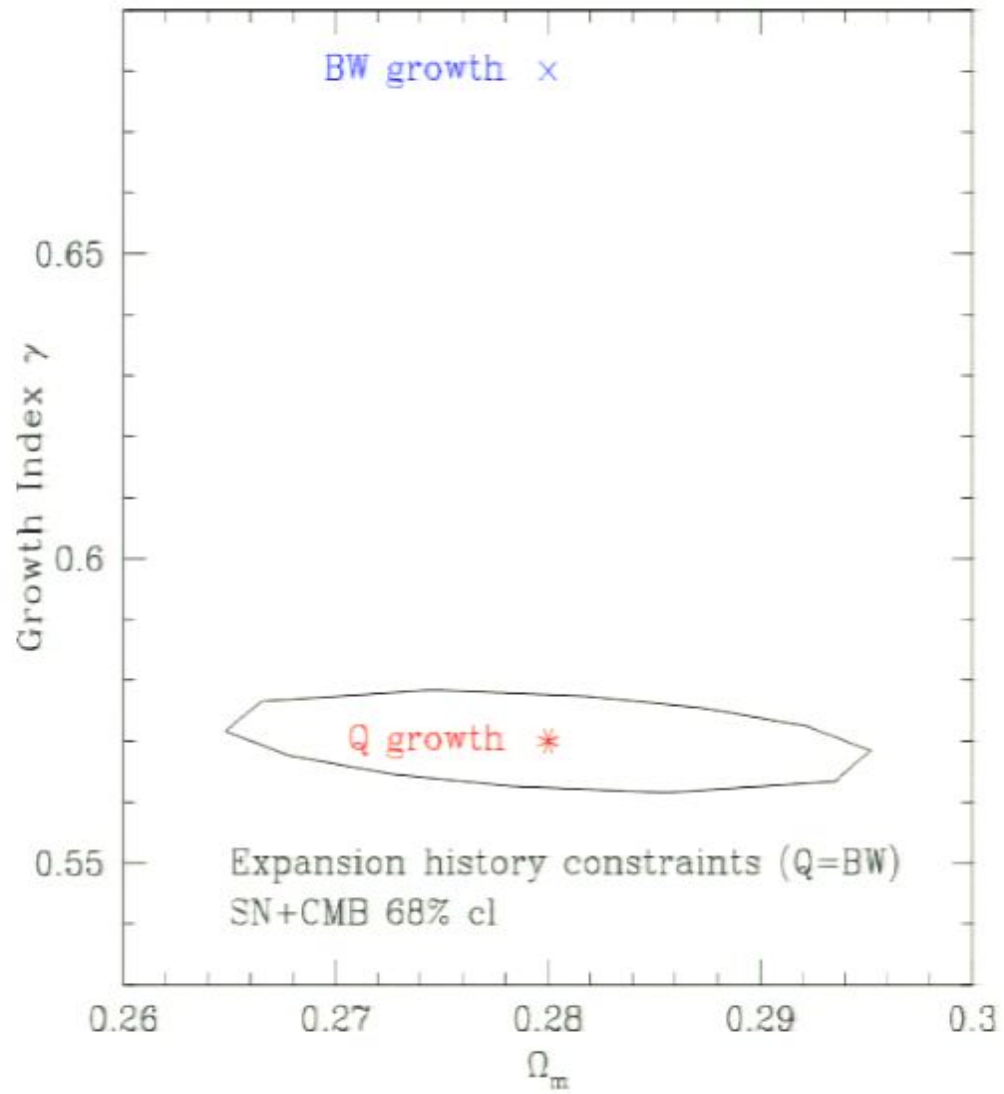
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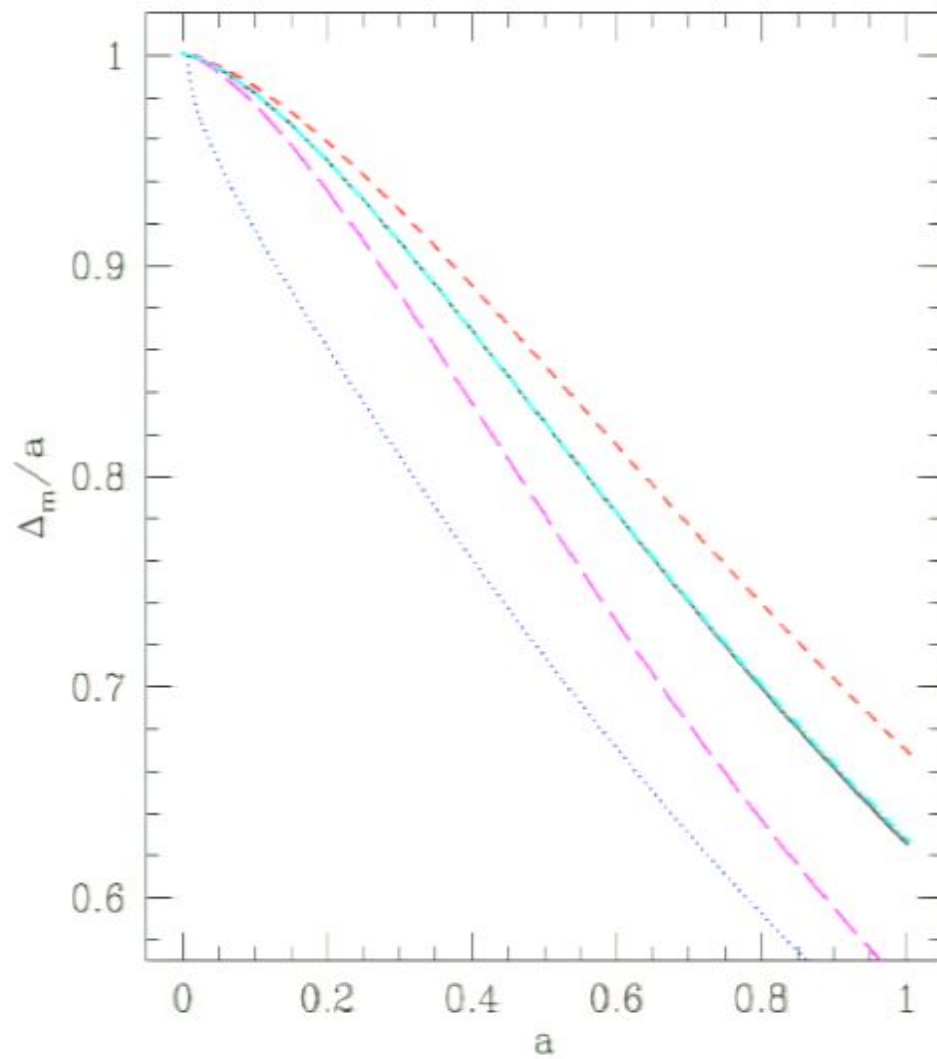
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- However, the perturbations can be useful if we assume a description of the acceleration; in particular DE.

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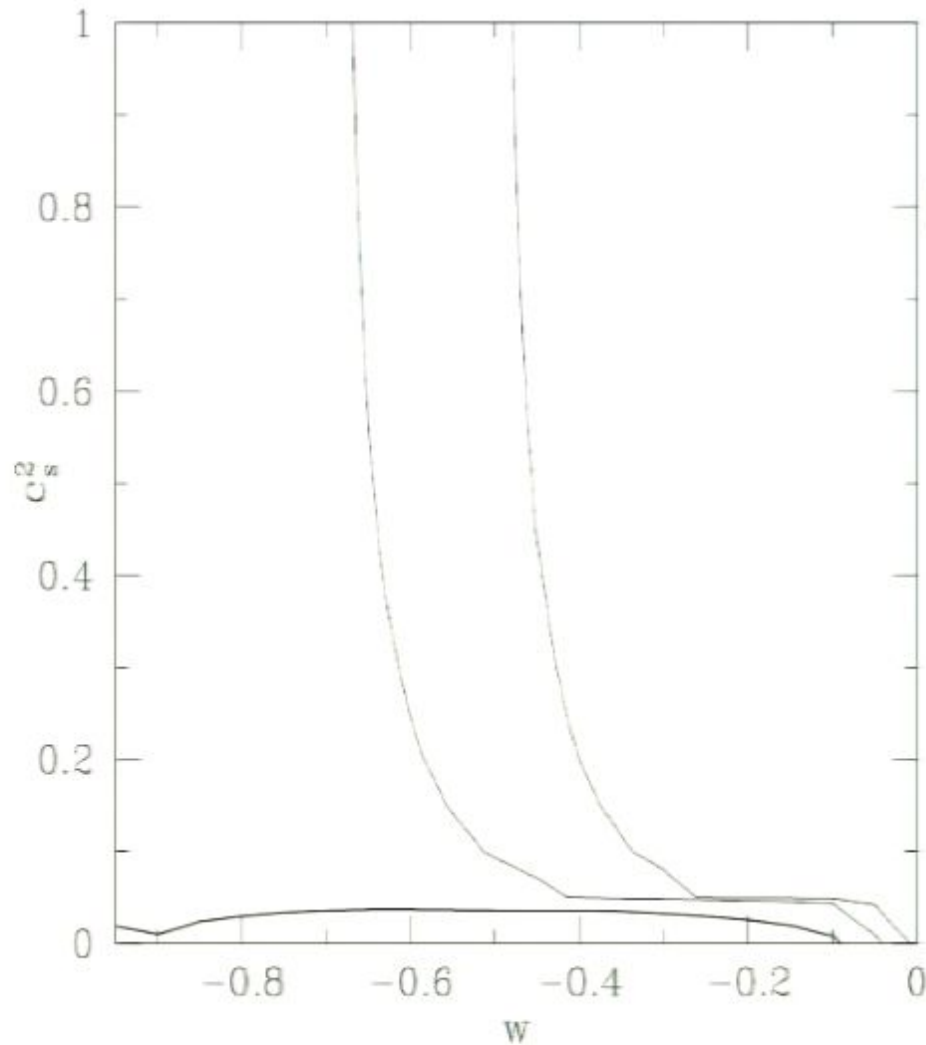
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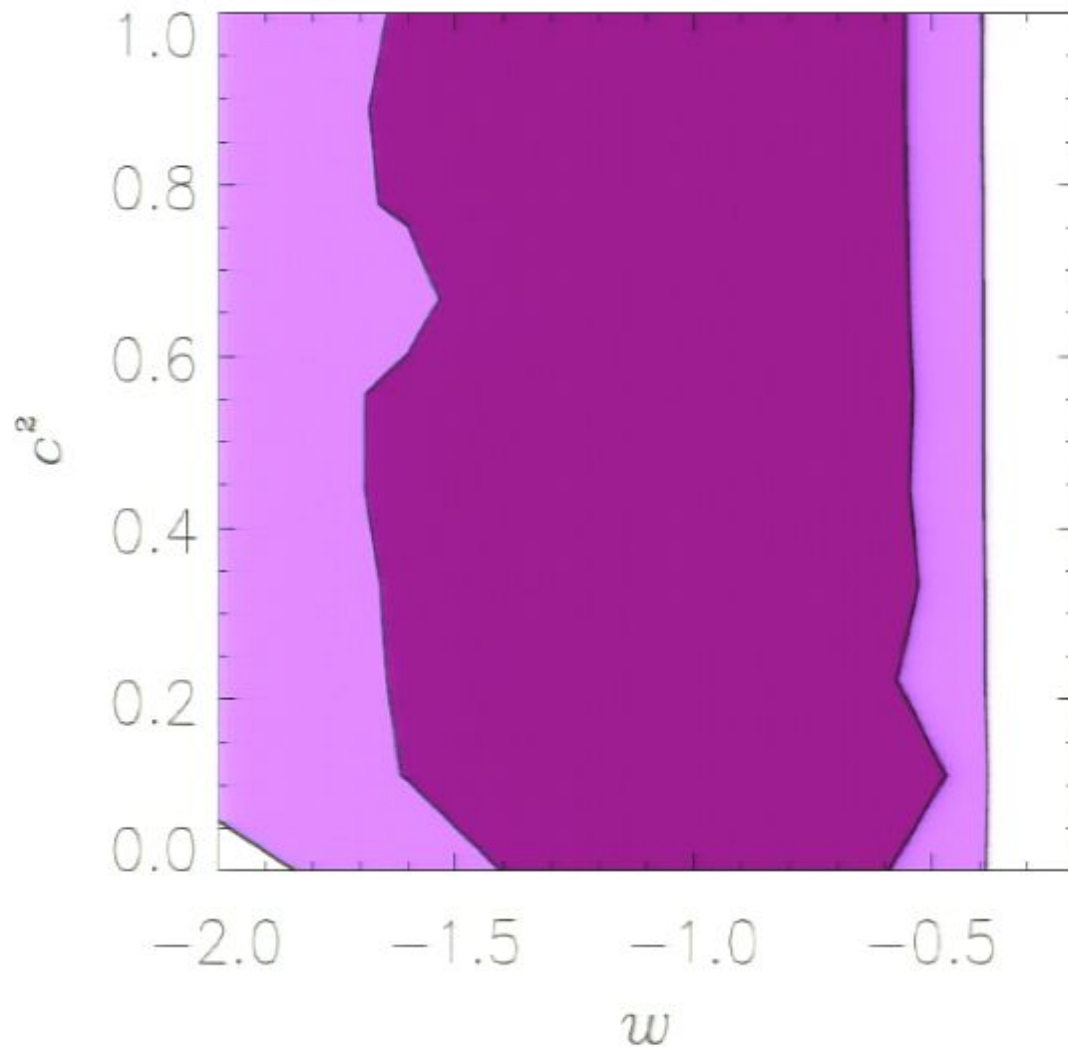


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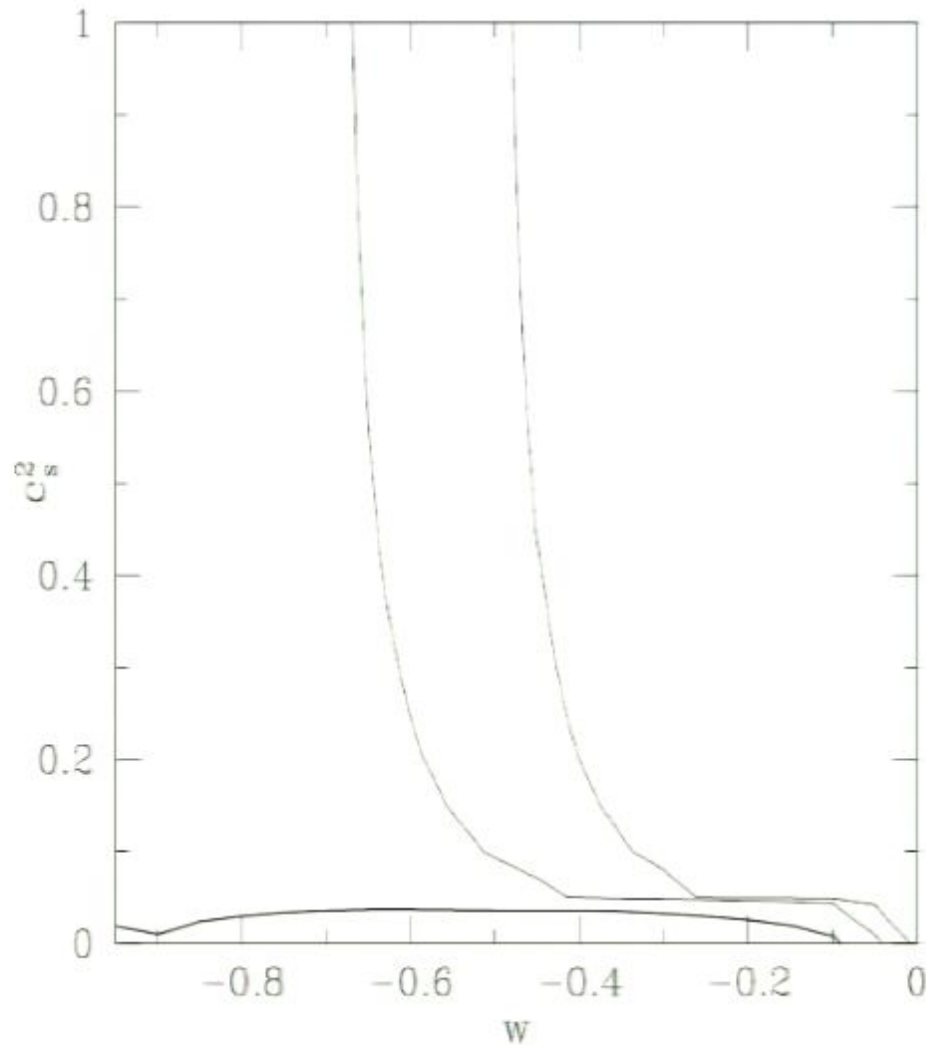
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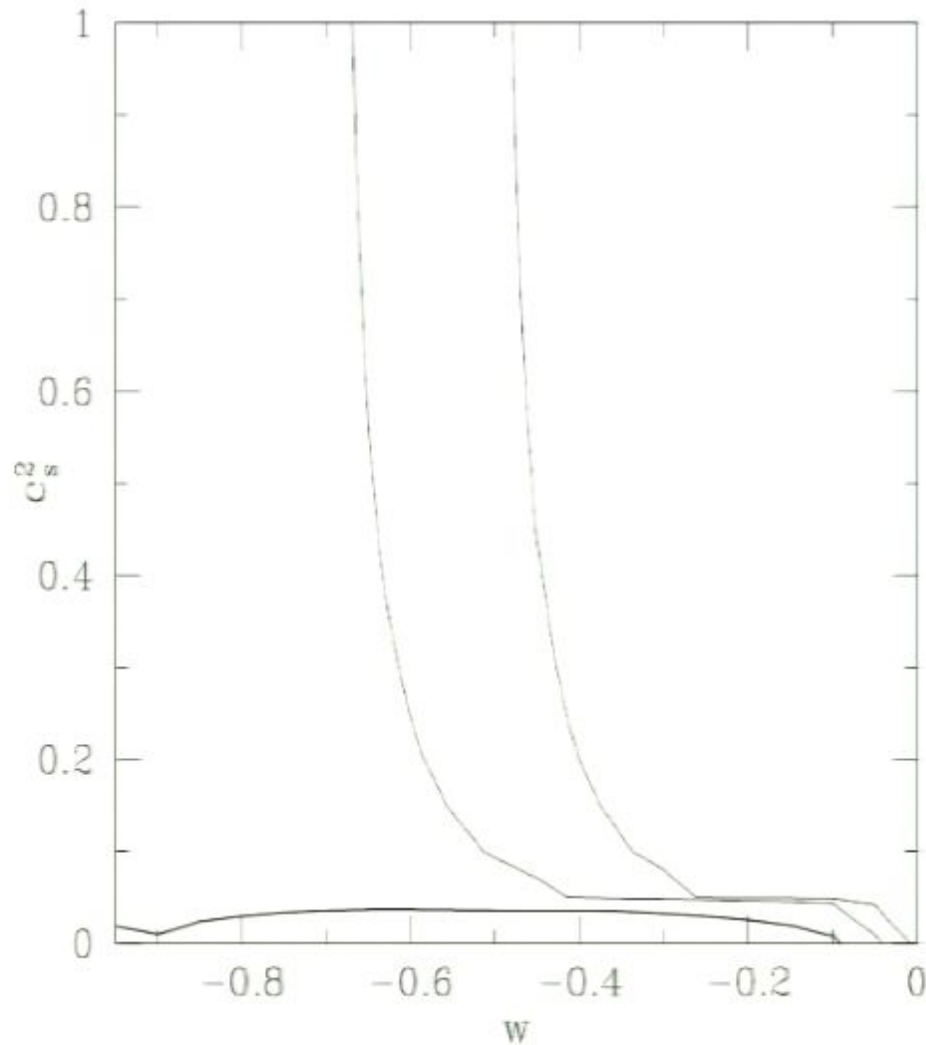
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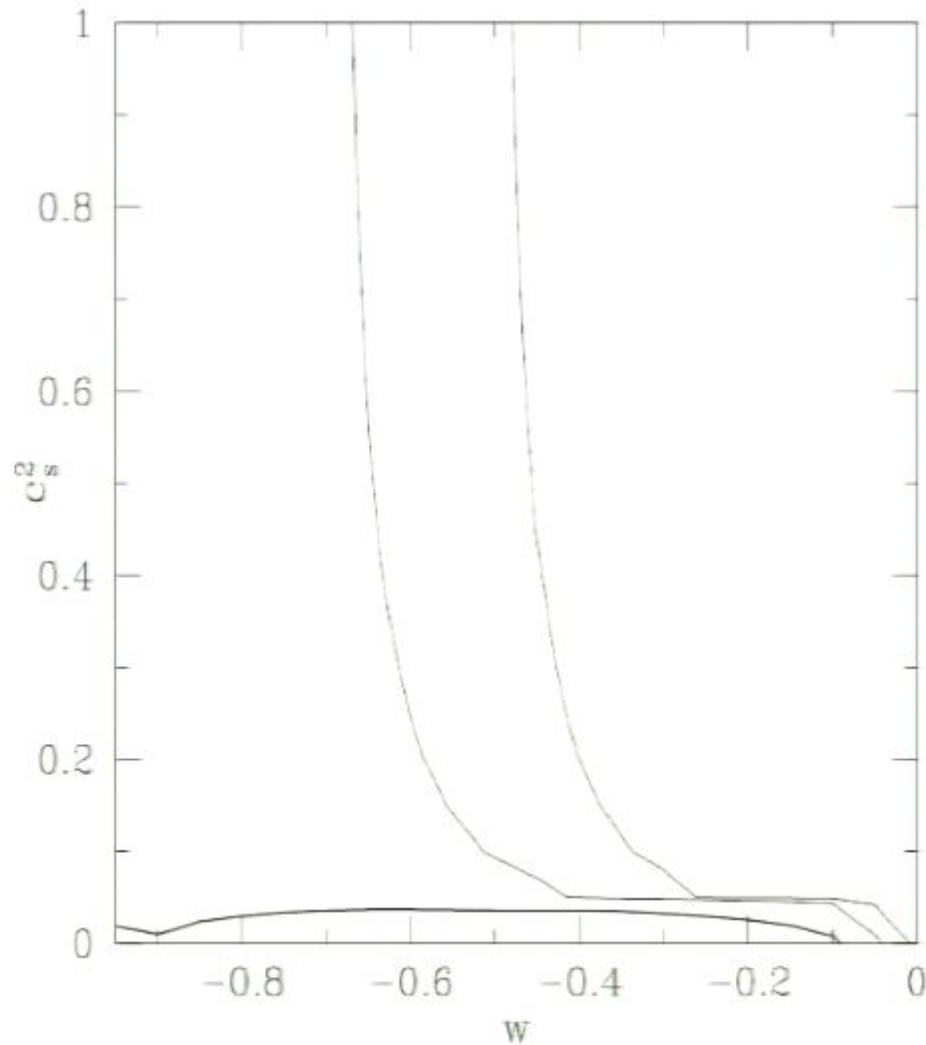


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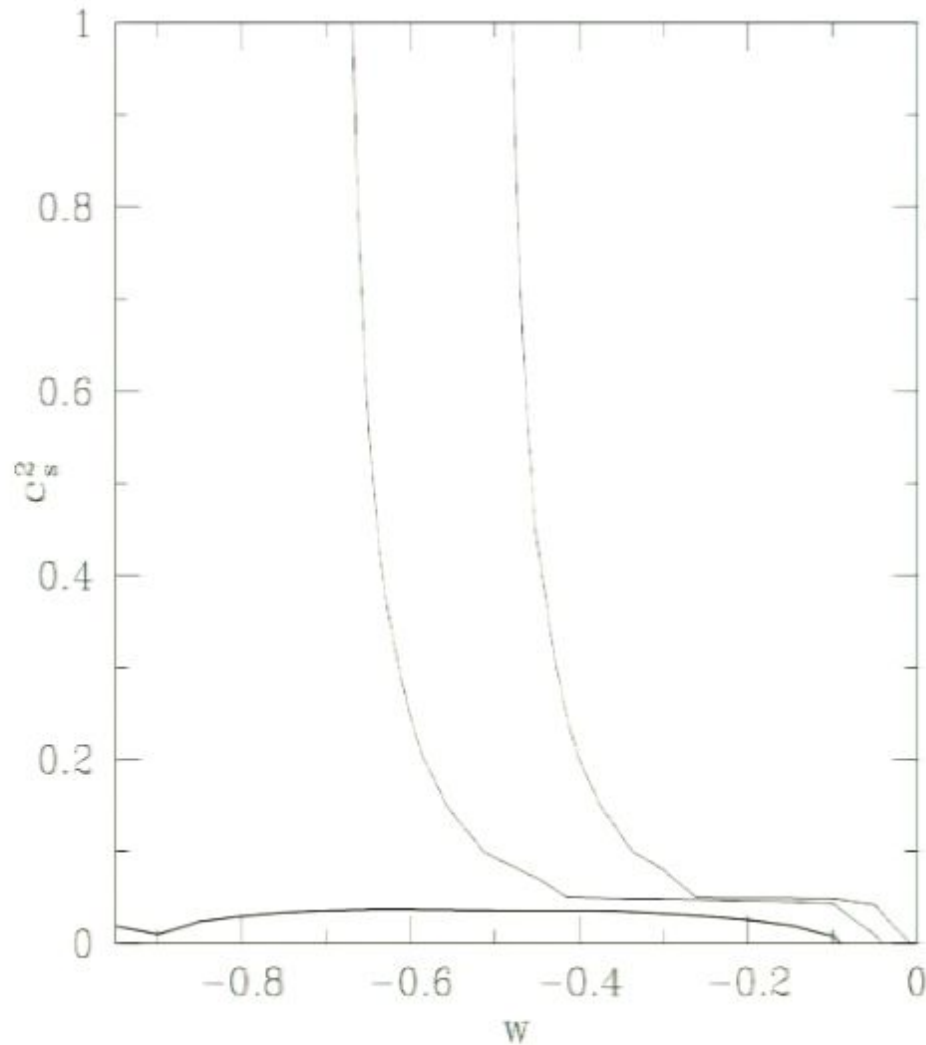
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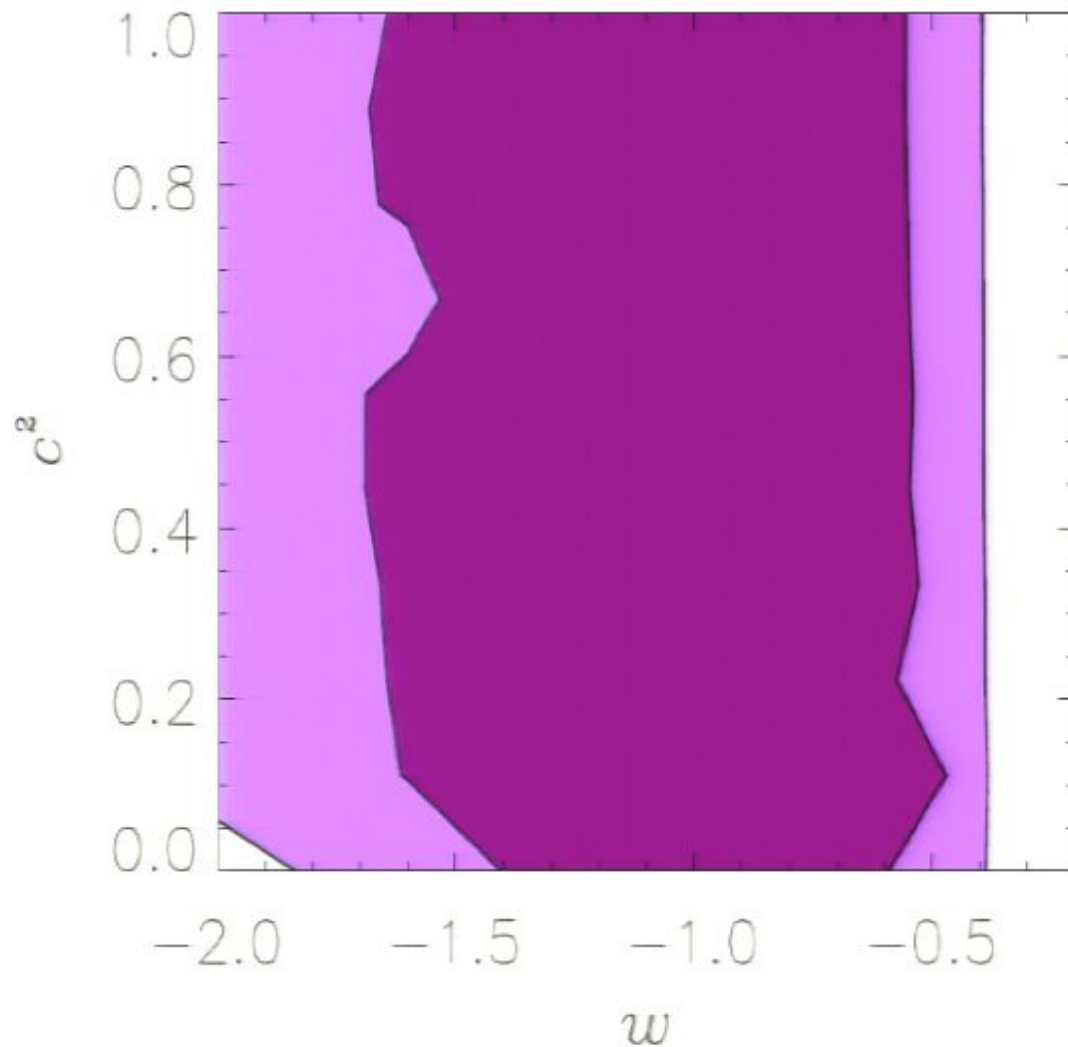


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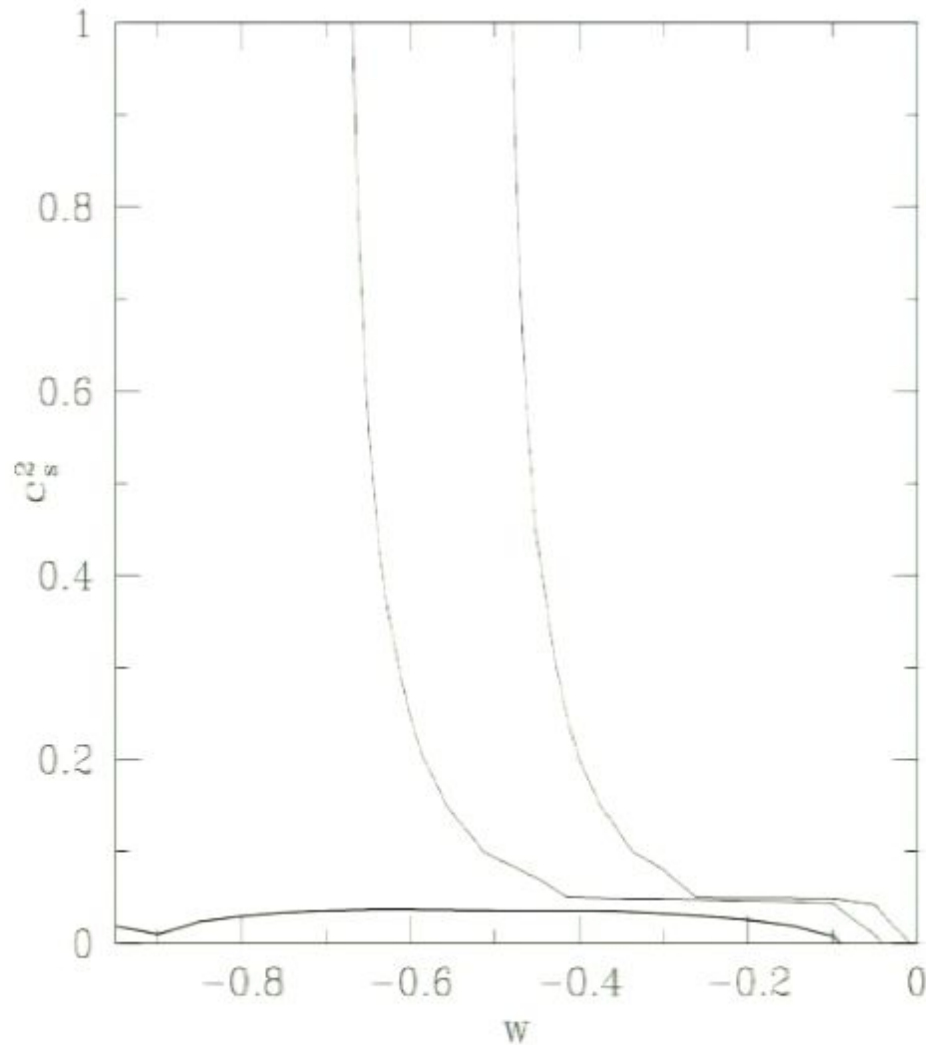
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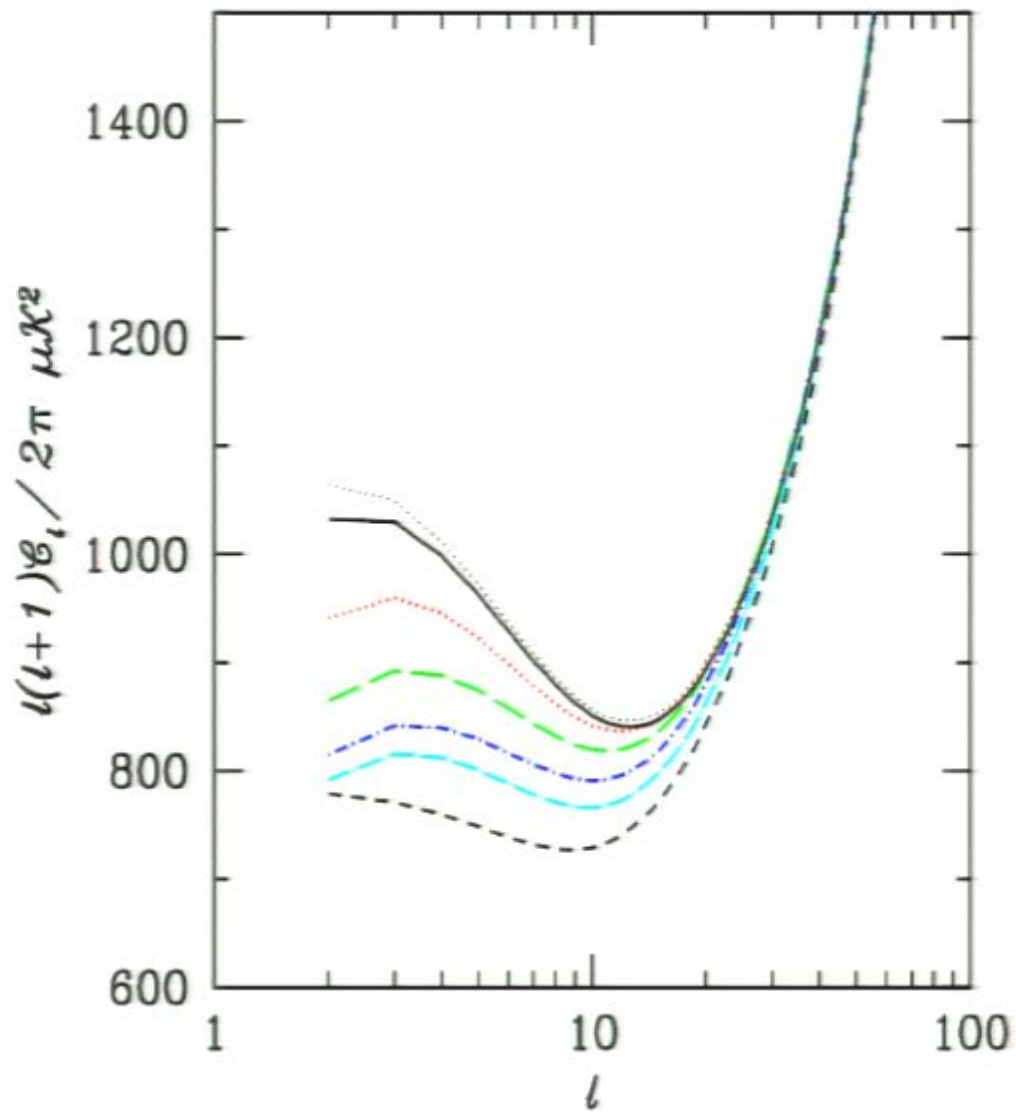
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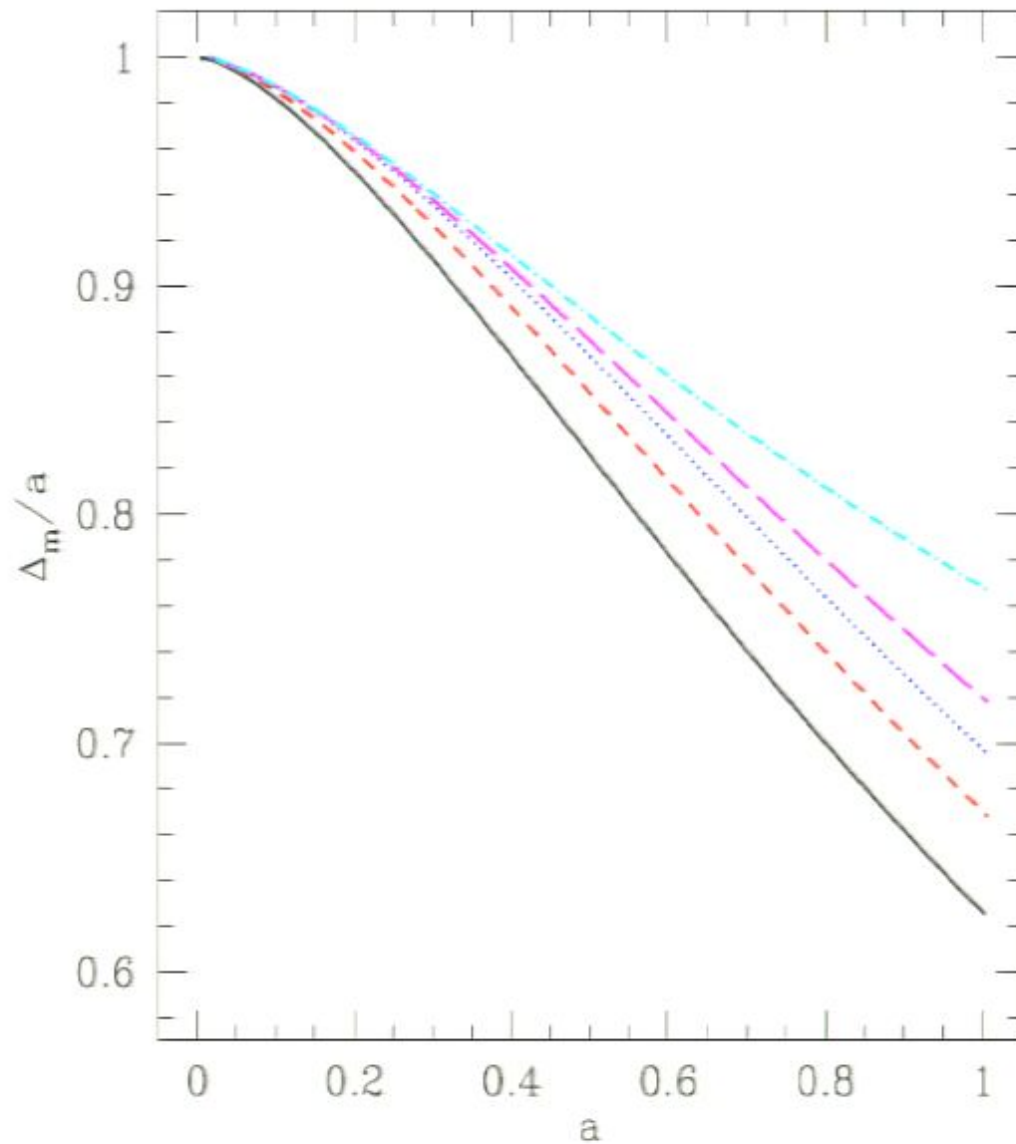
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CMB and the DE speed of sound



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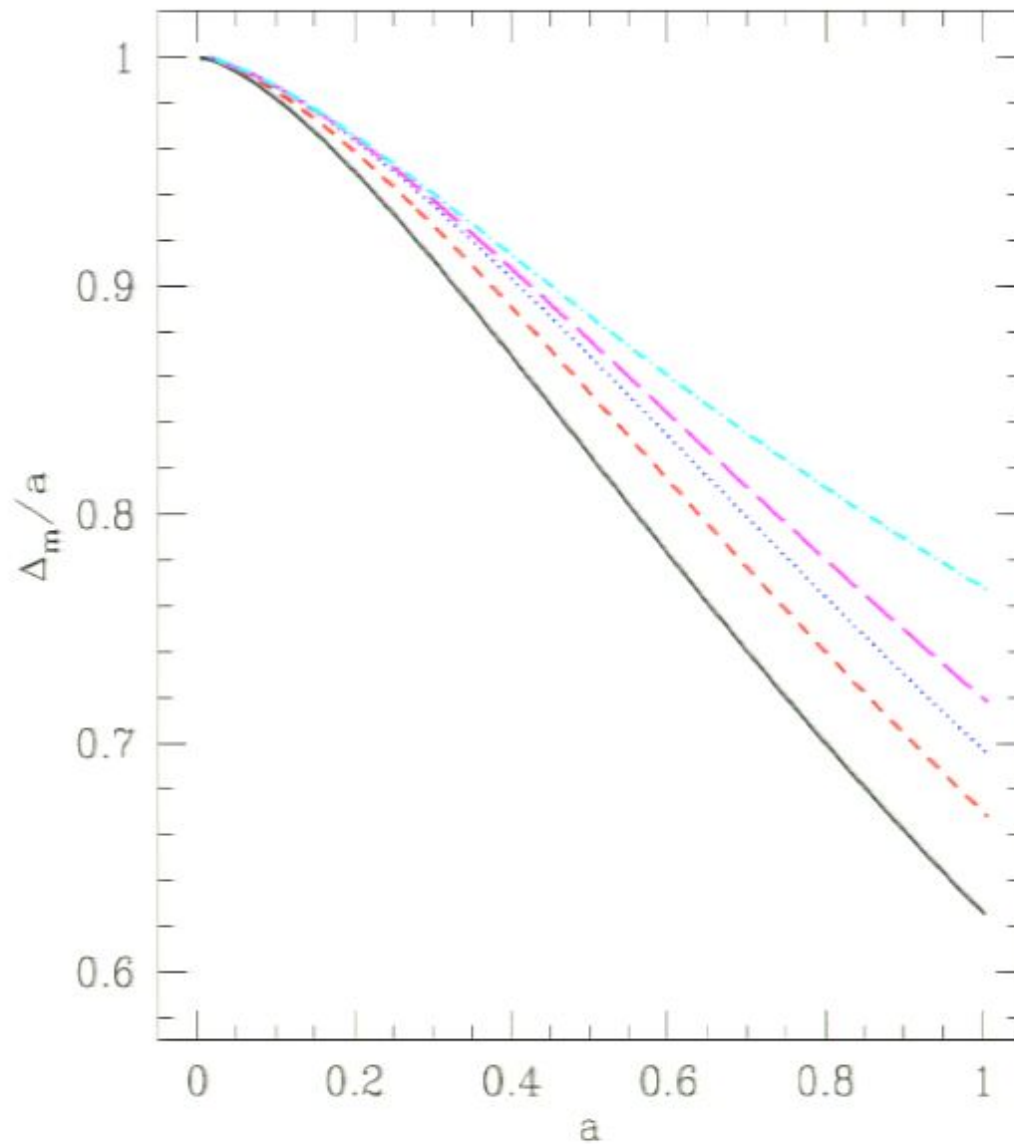


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$$\mathcal{F} \equiv -9(1 + 3w\Omega_x) \frac{\hat{c}_s^2 - w}{k^2 + 9(\hat{c}_s^2 - w)\mathcal{H}^2} \mathcal{H}^3 - (1 - 3\hat{c}_s^2)\mathcal{H}.$$

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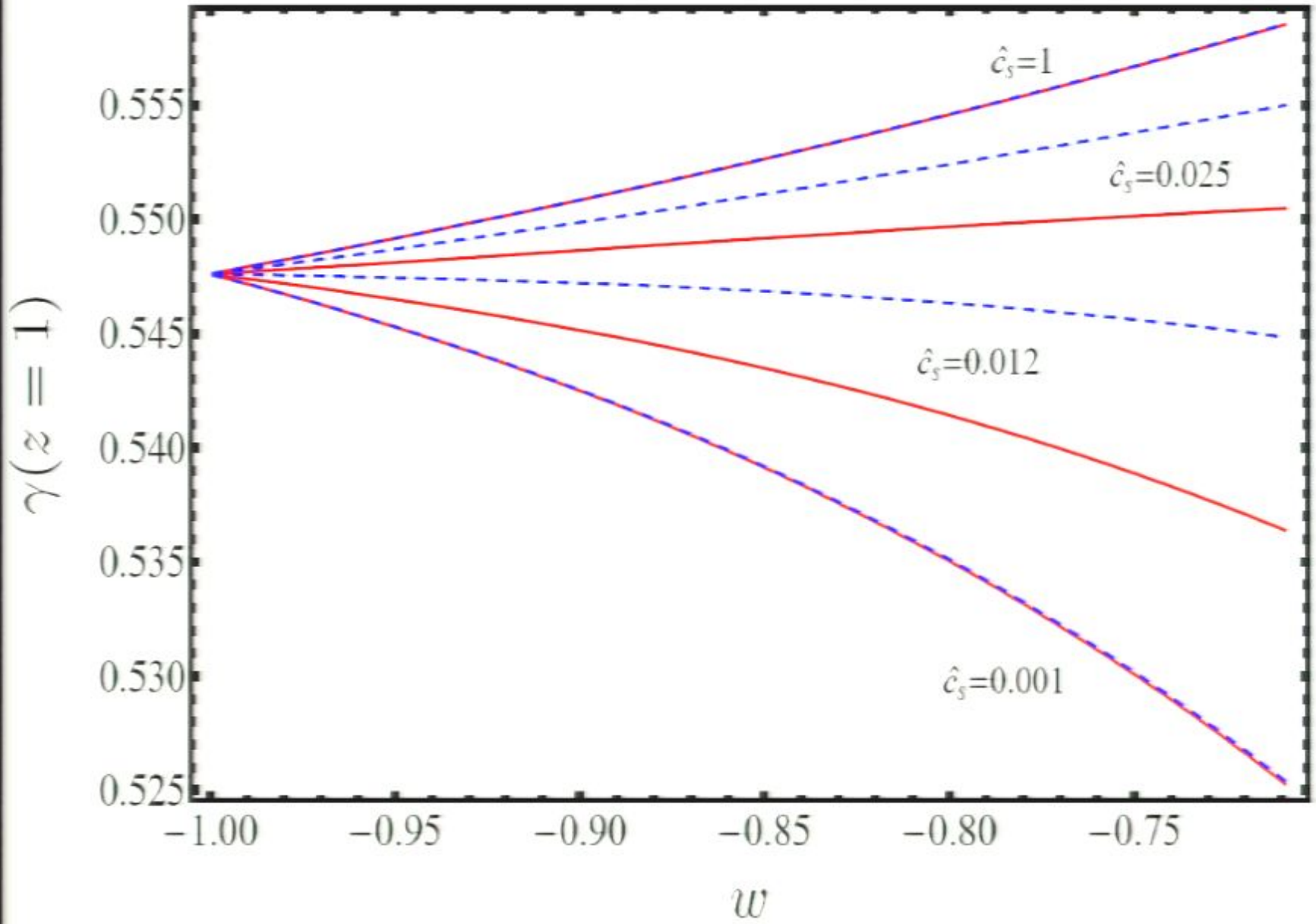
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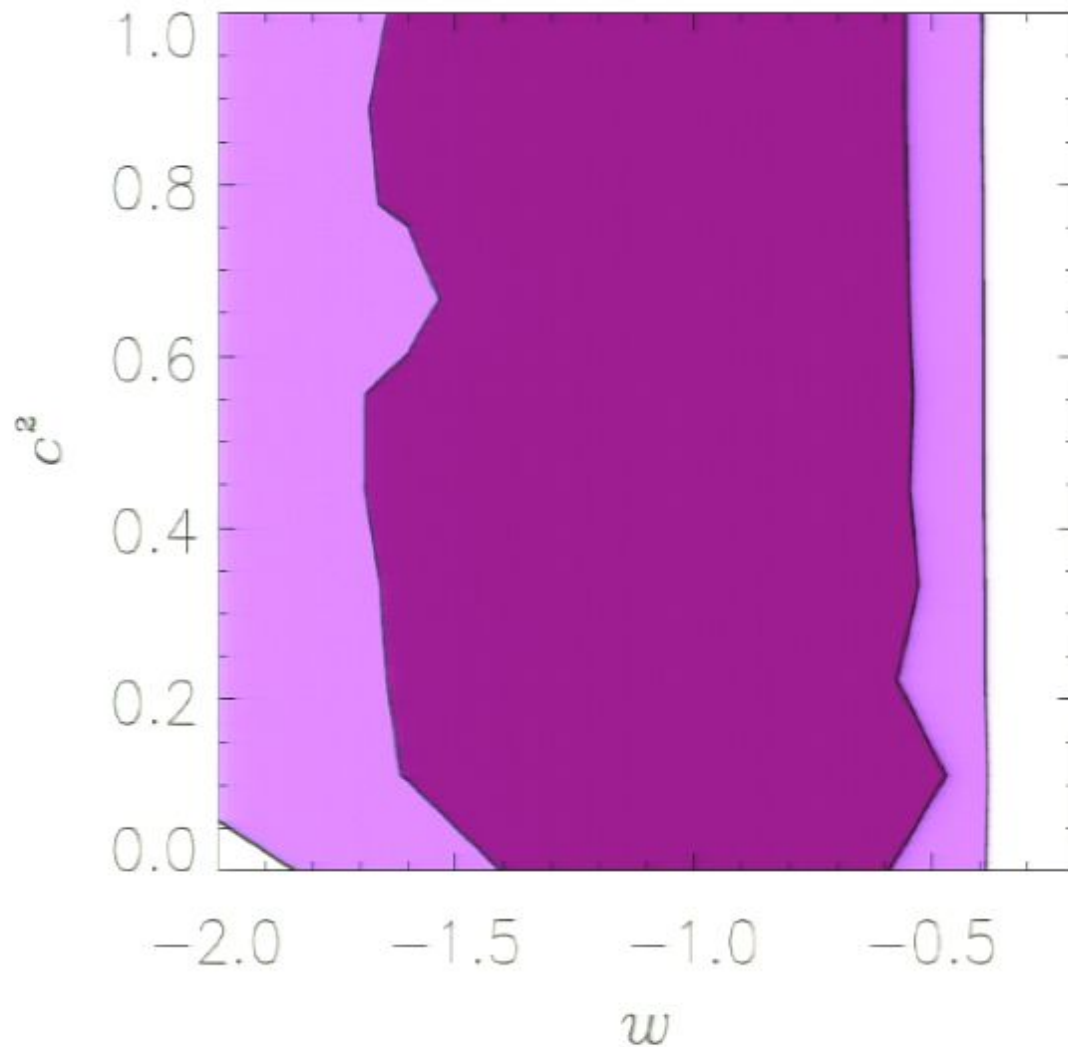
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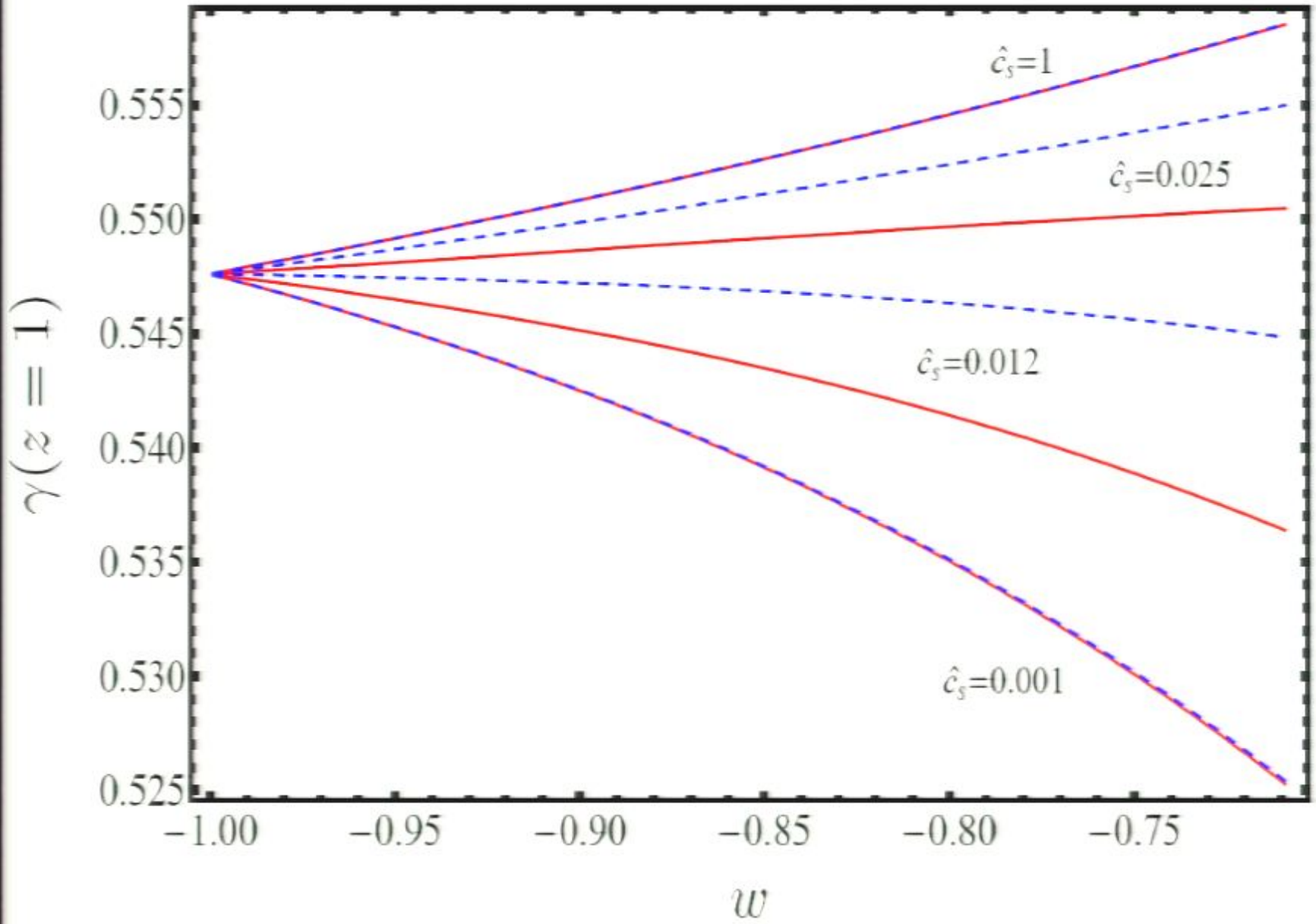
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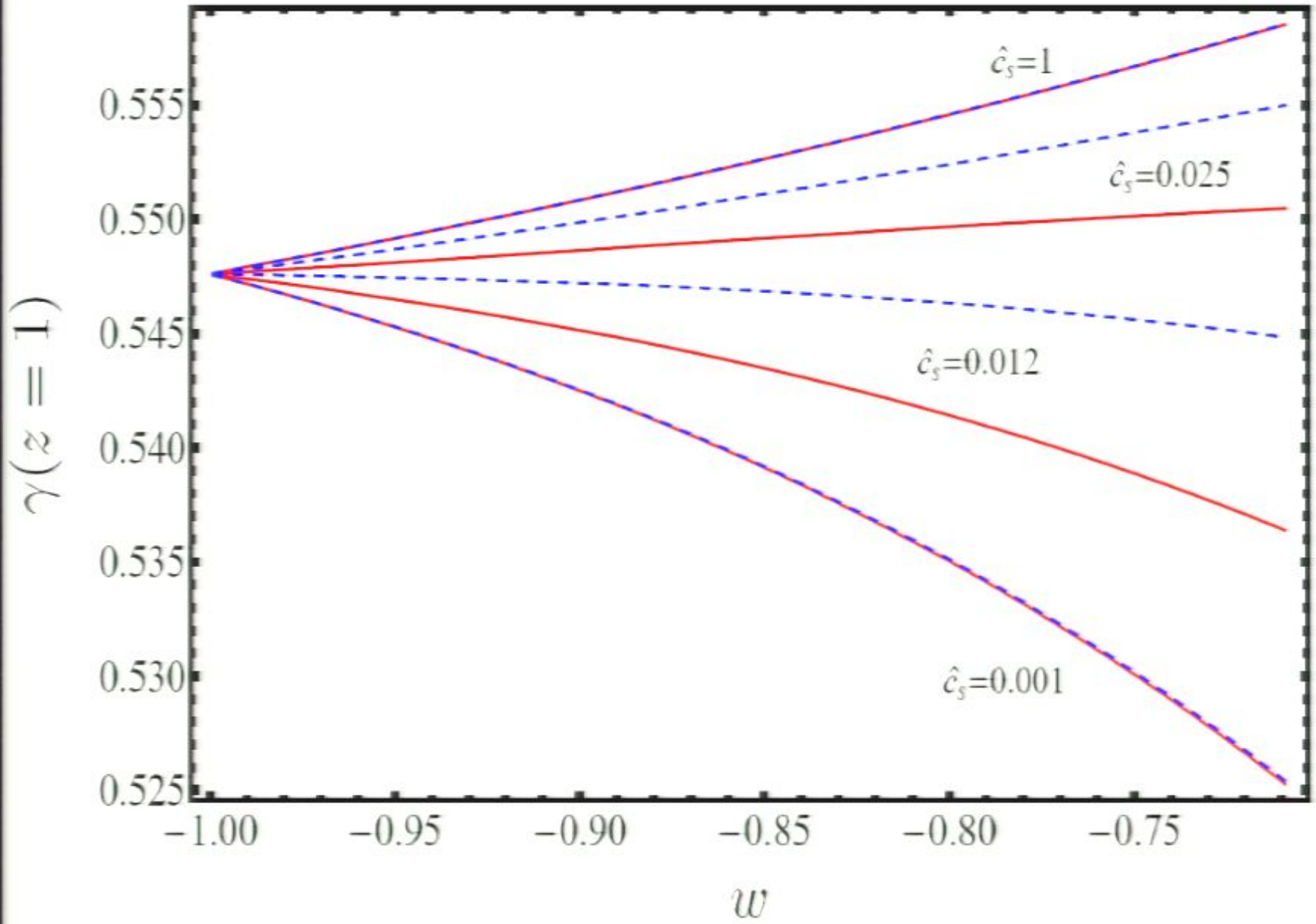
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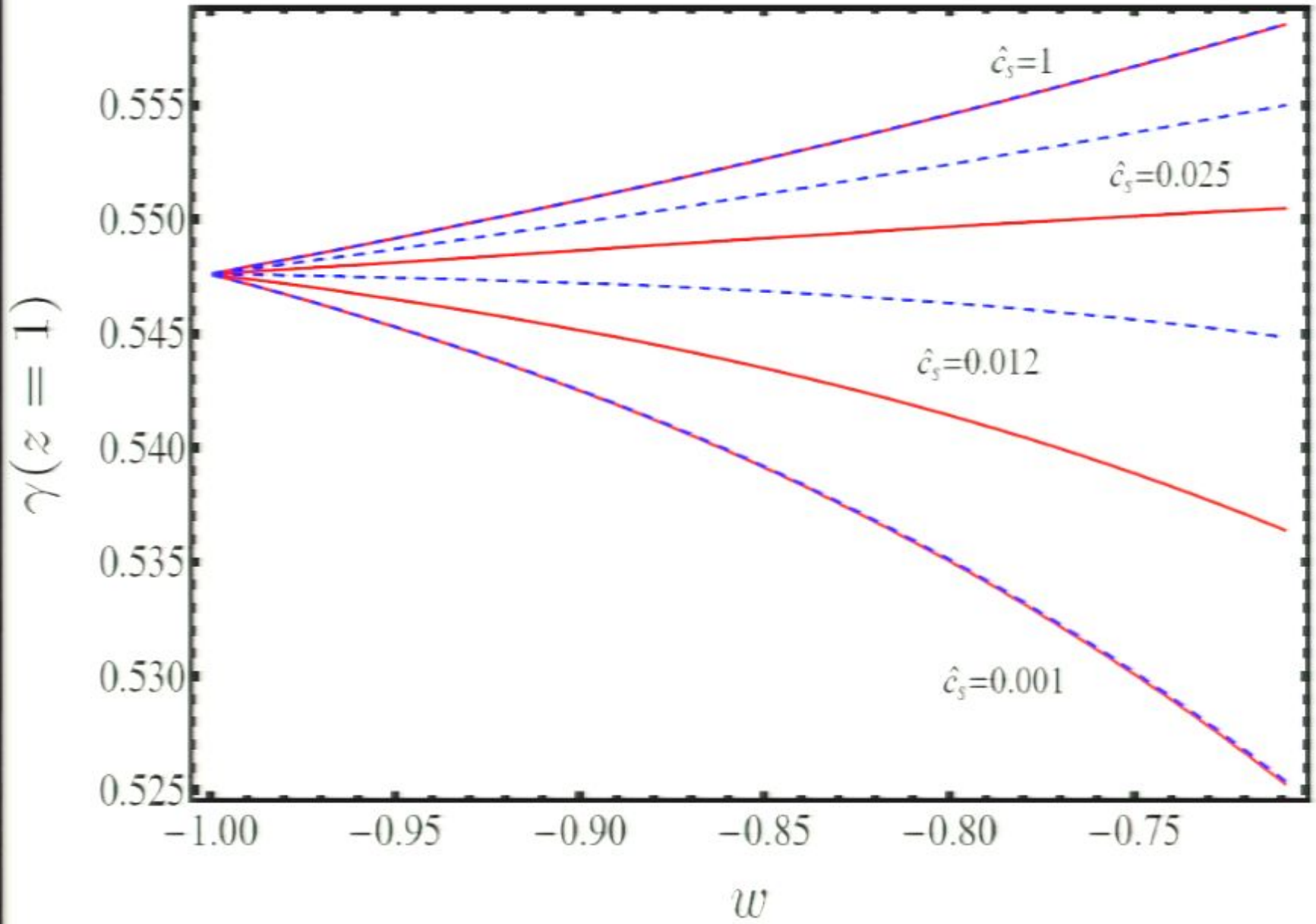
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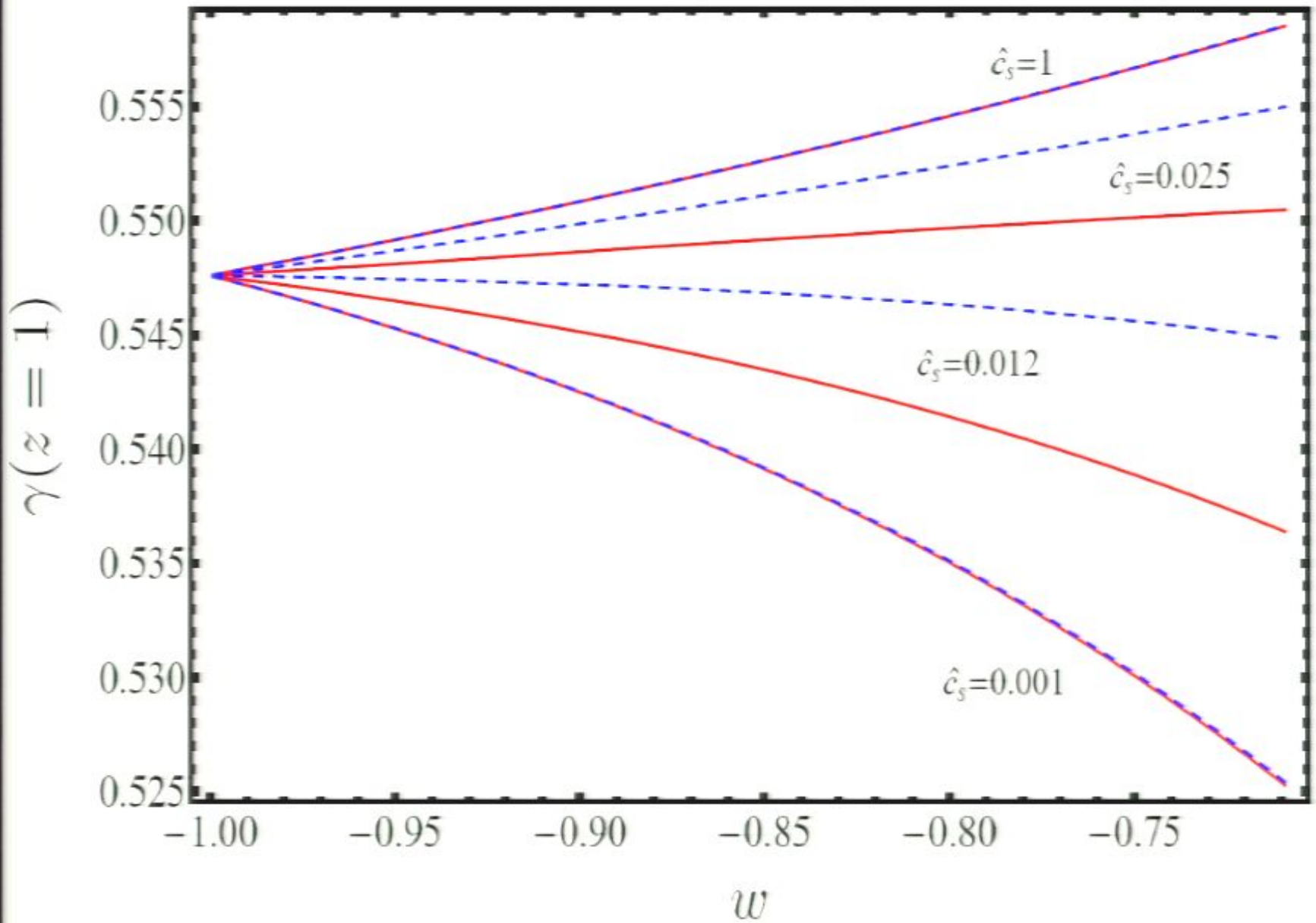
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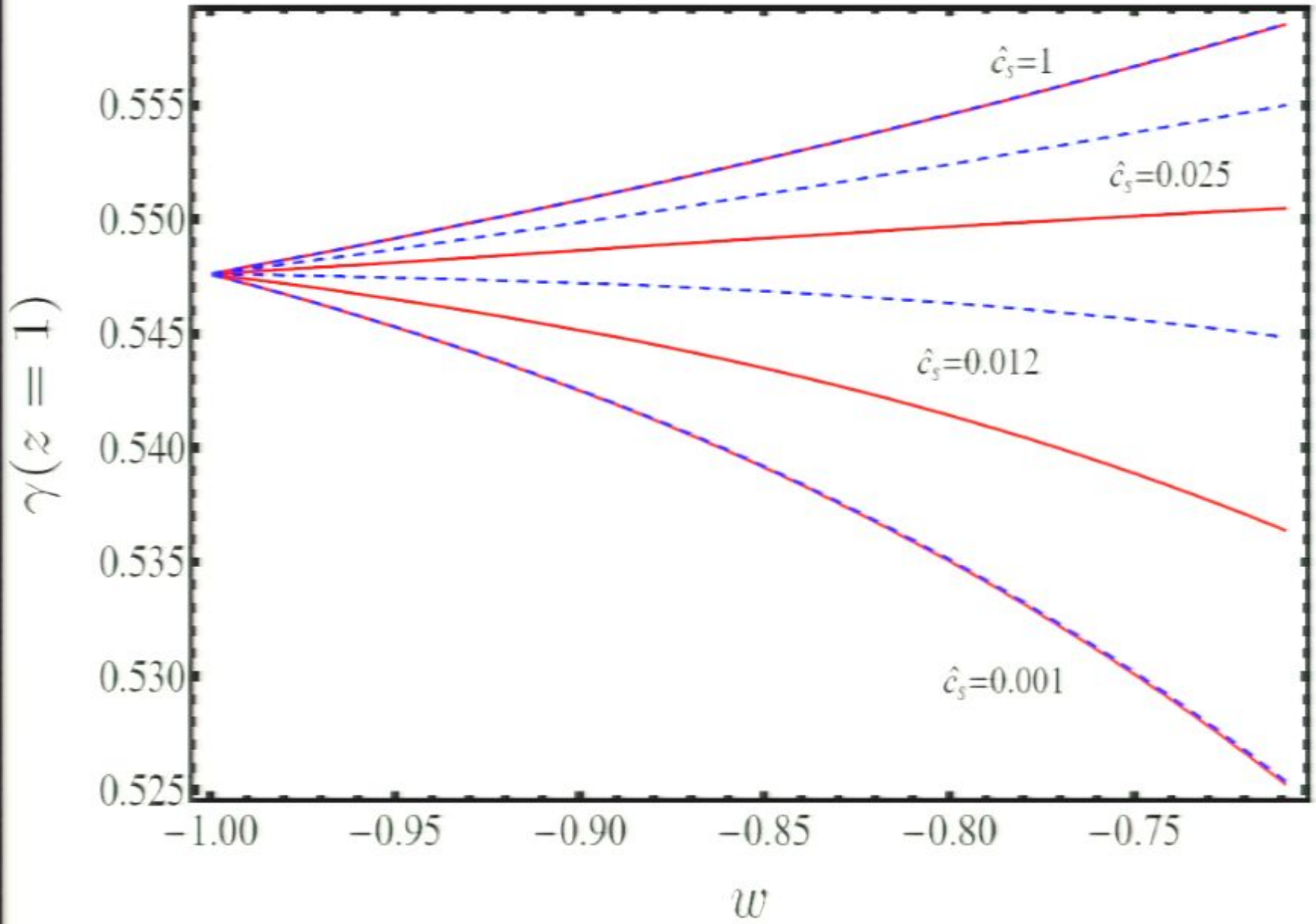
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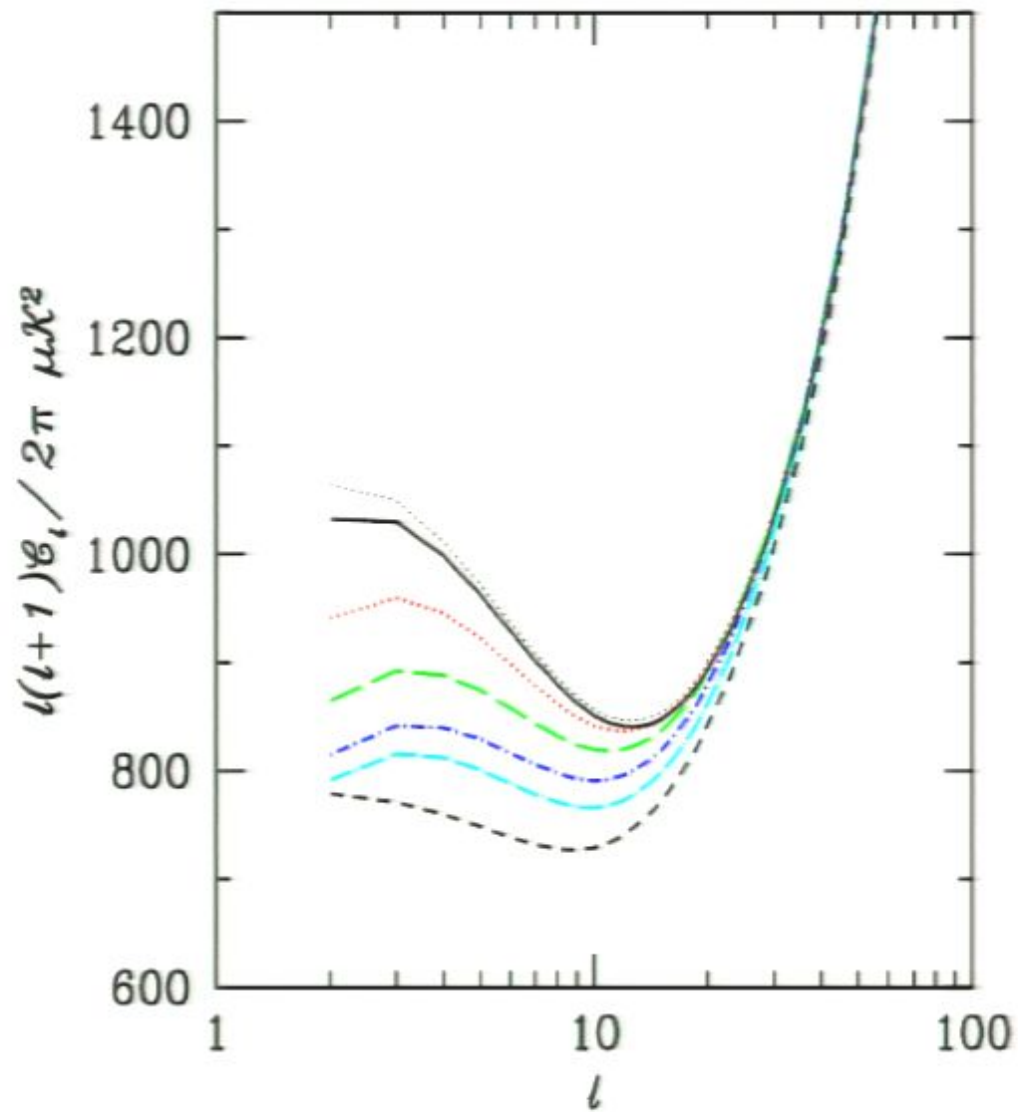
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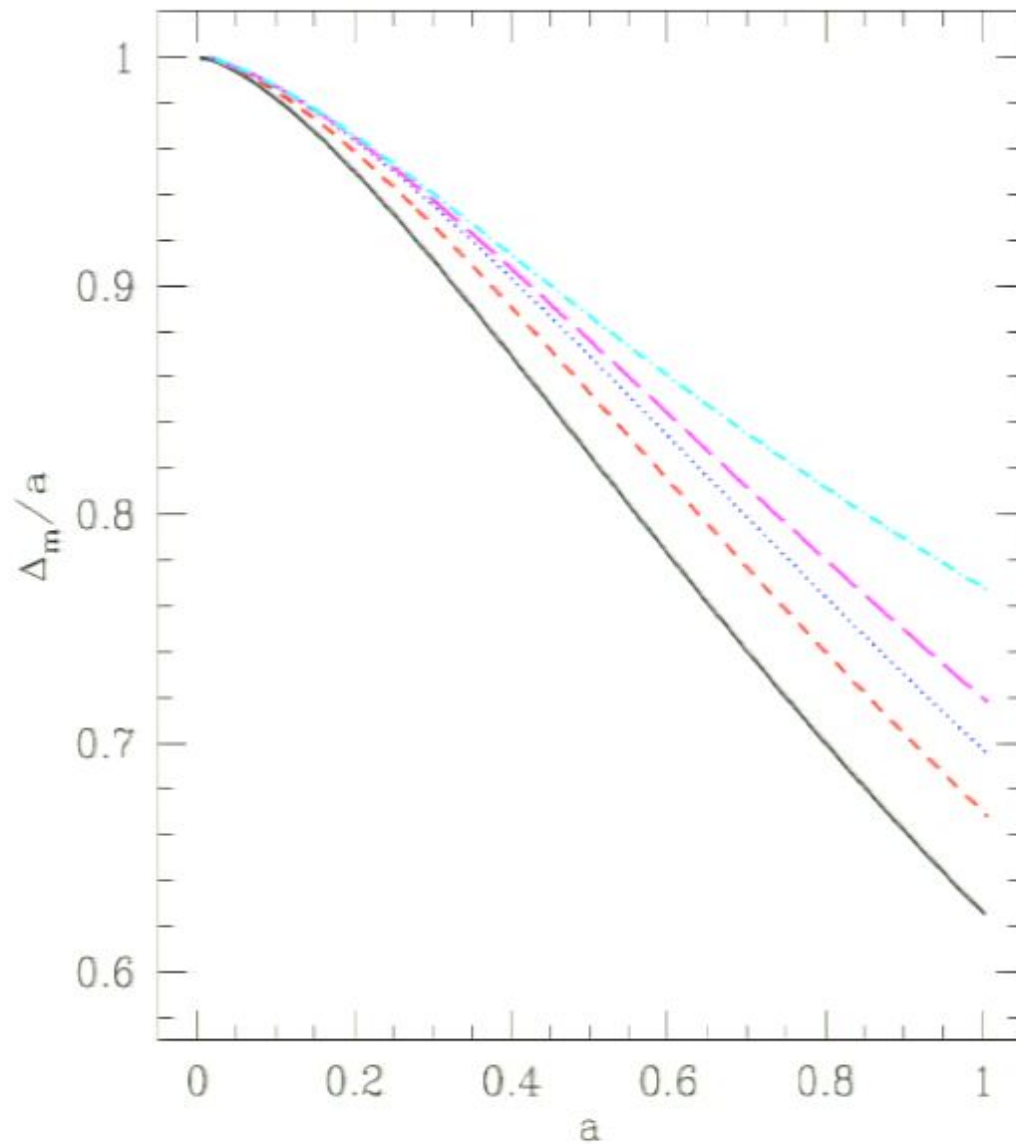
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In general, c_s^2 is gauge dependent but c_a^2 and Γ are gauge invariant

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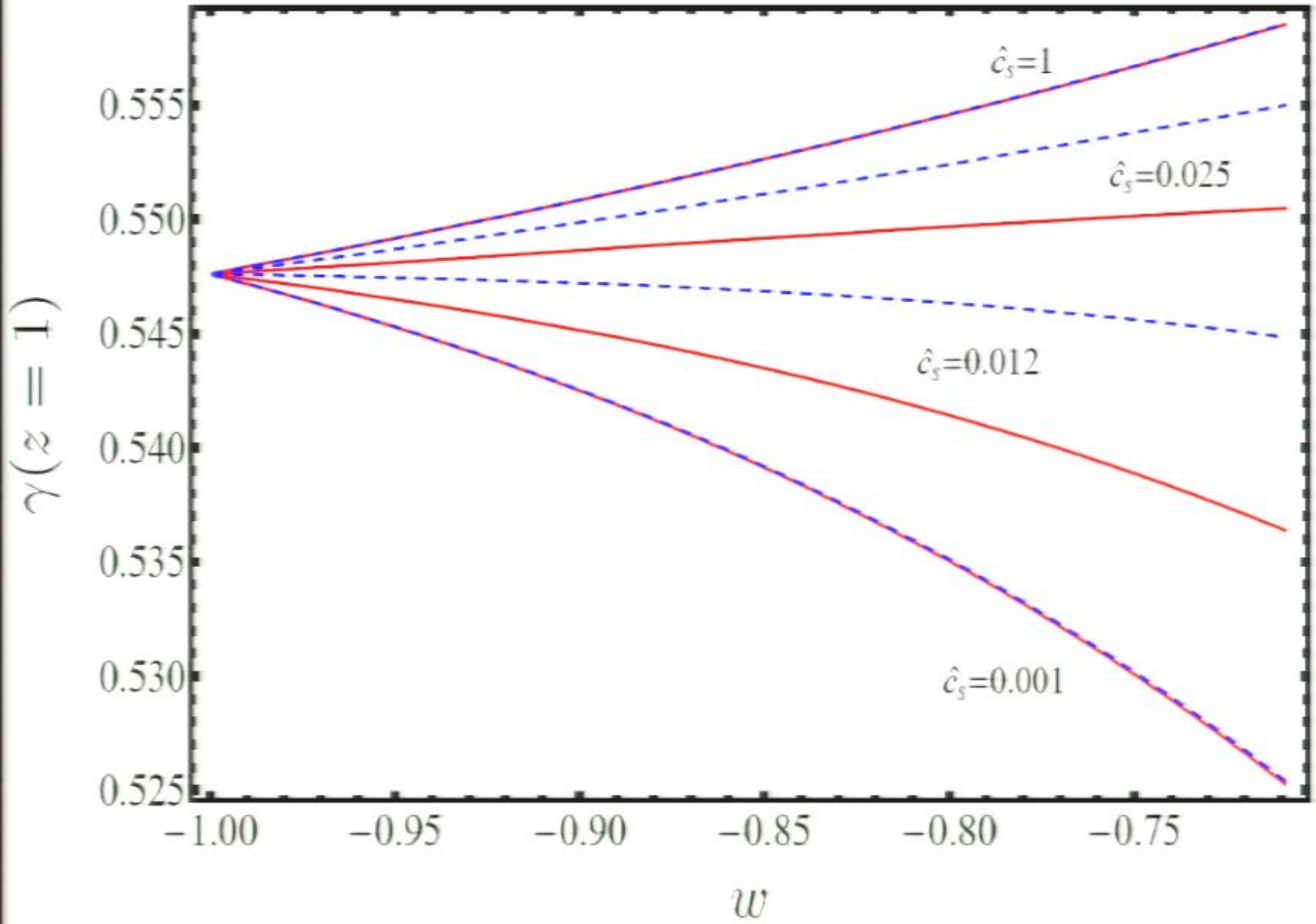
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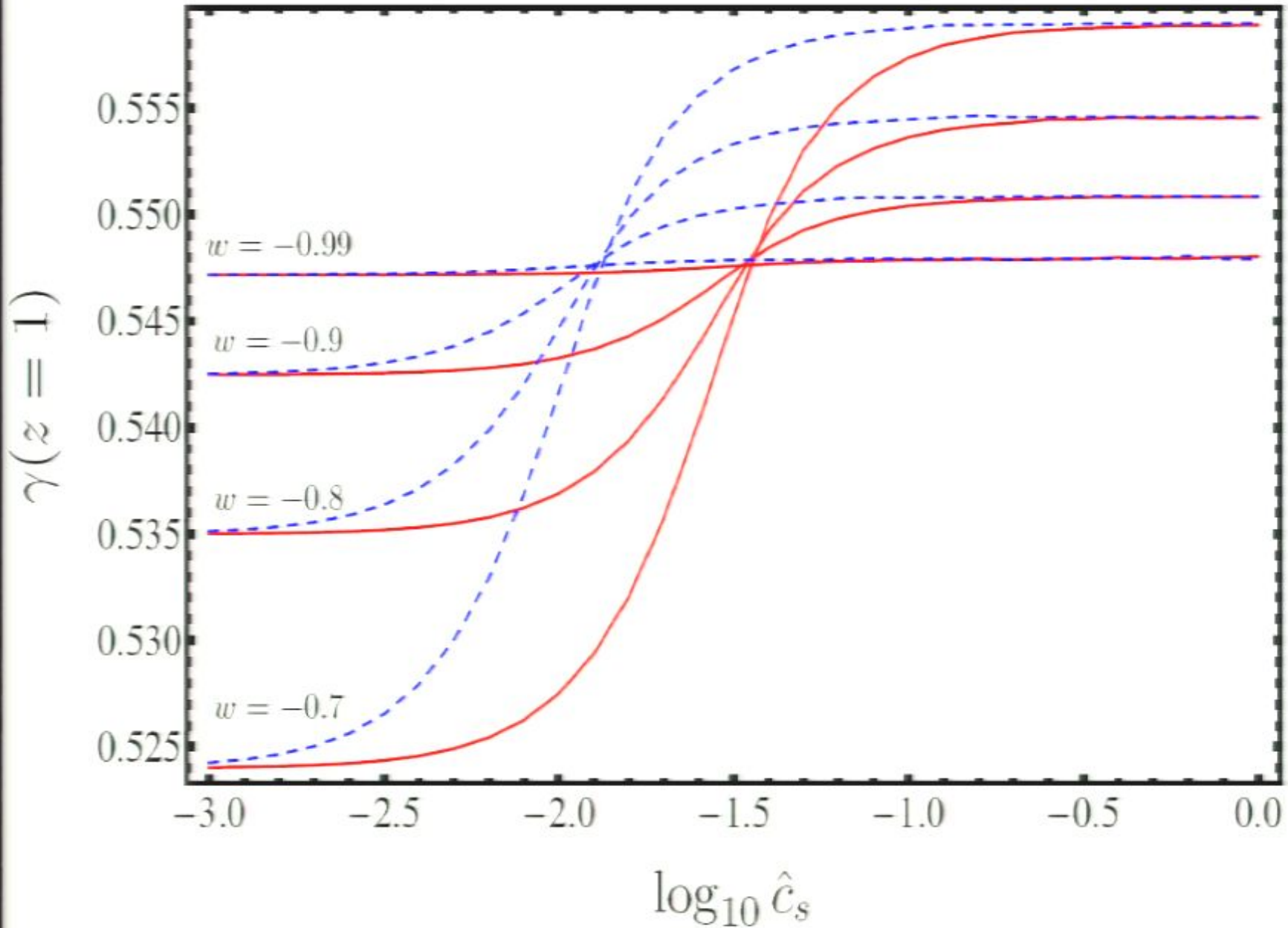
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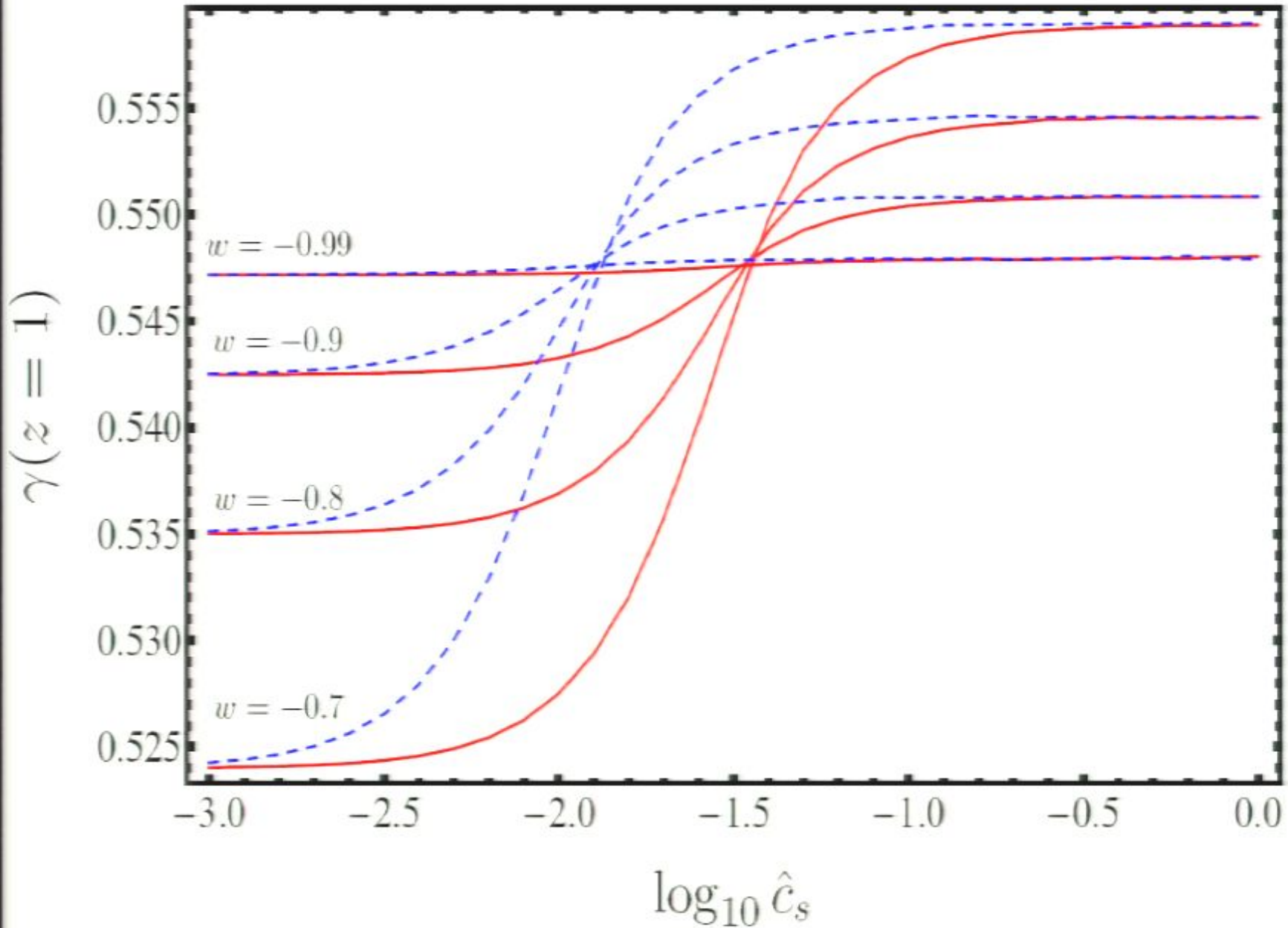
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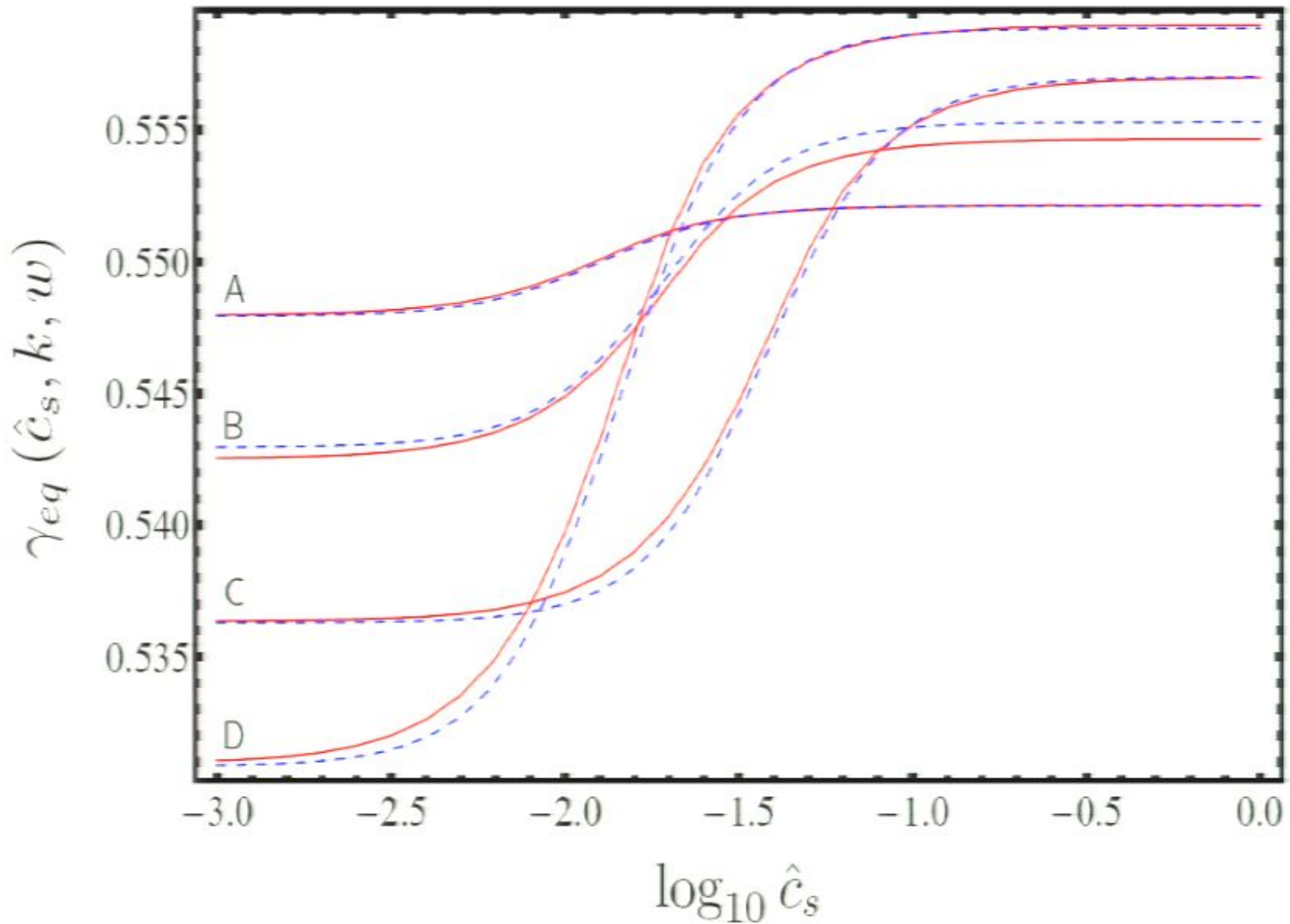
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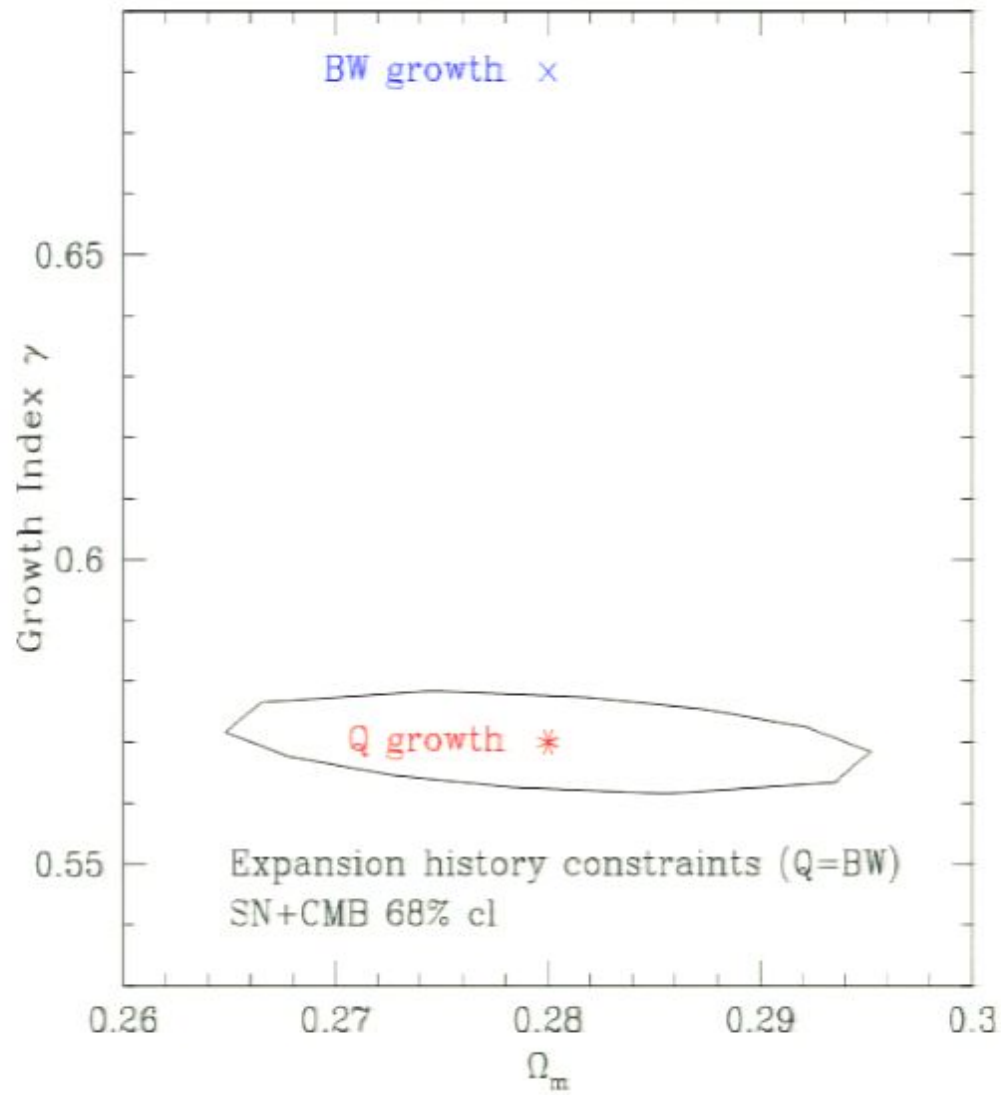
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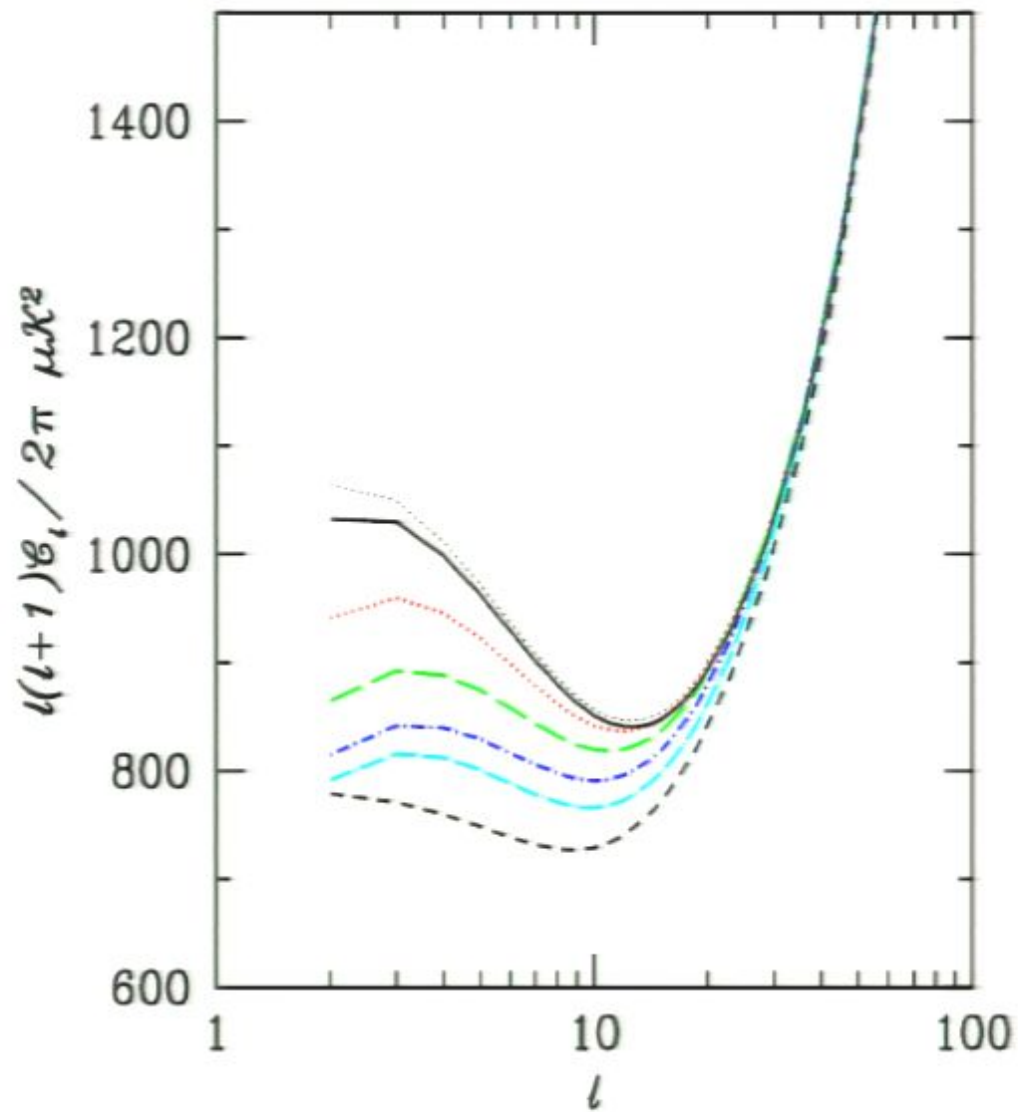
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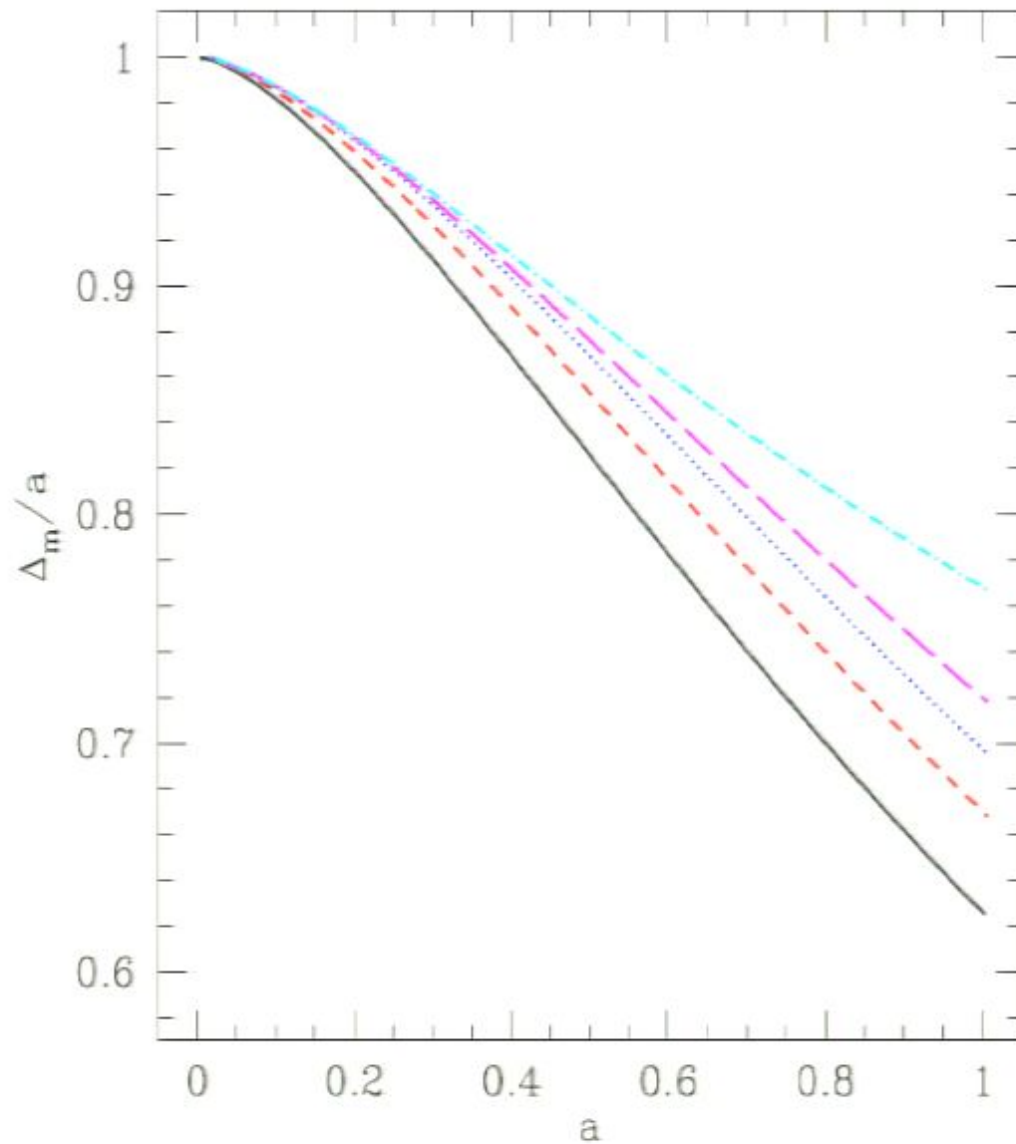
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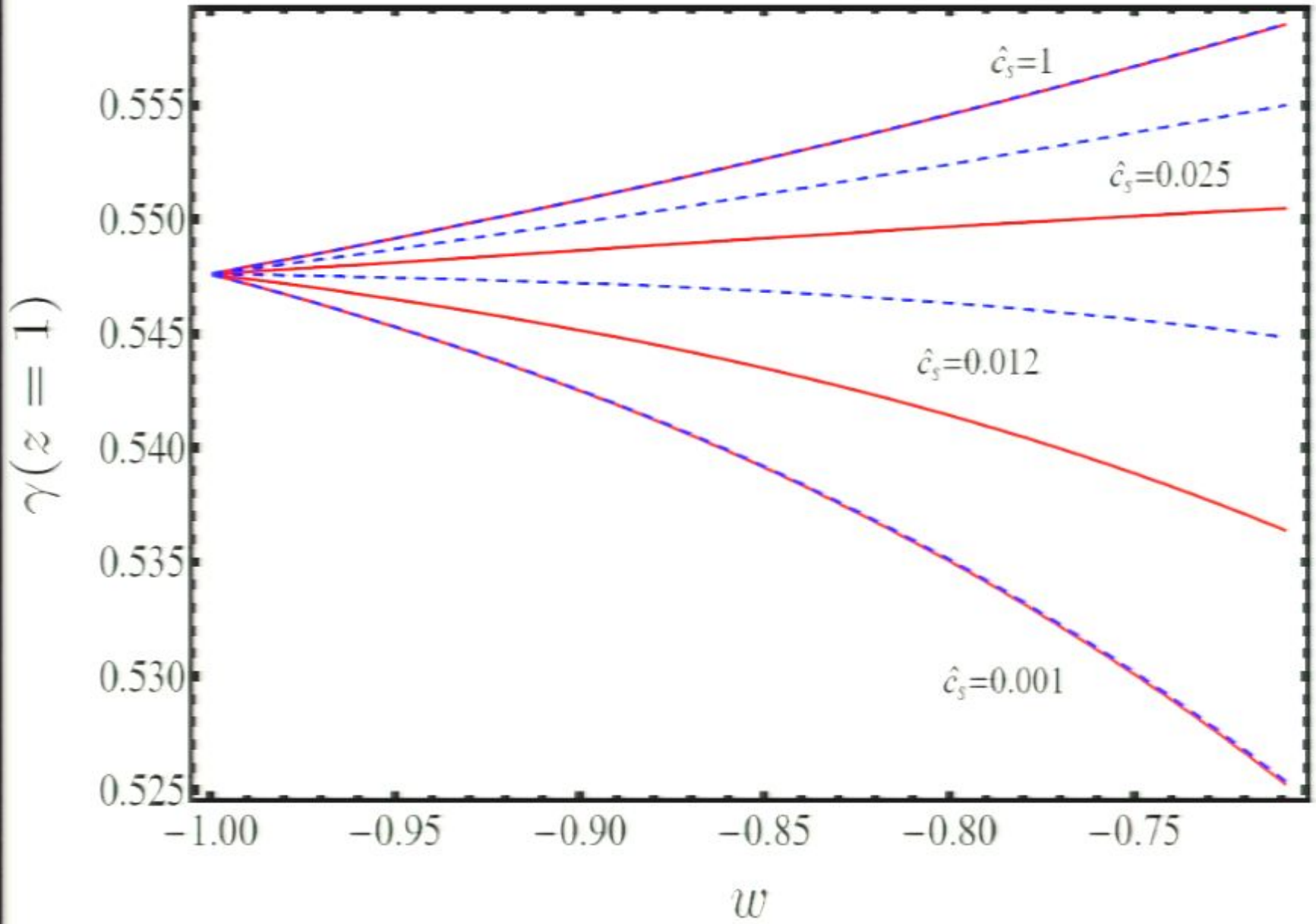
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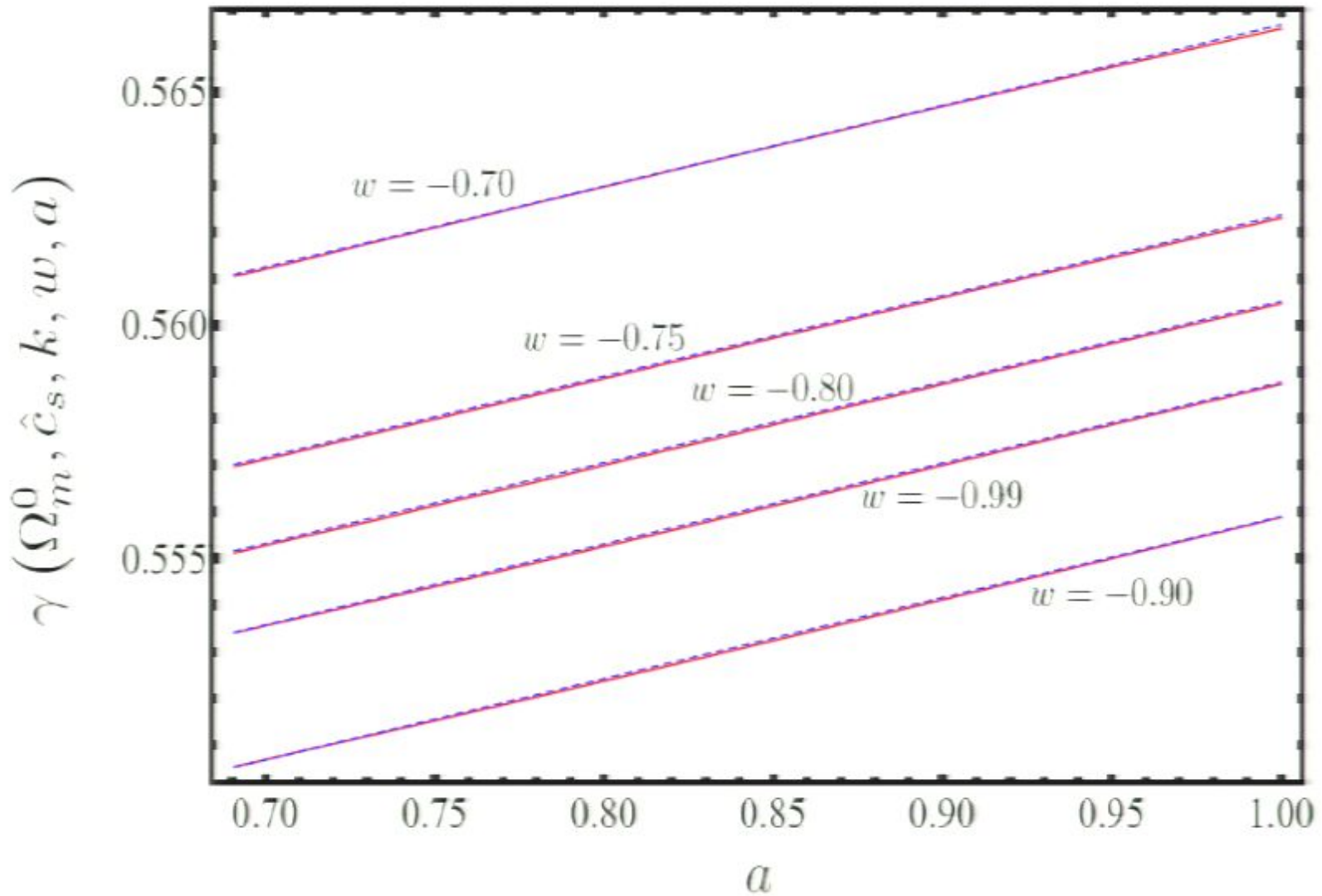
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