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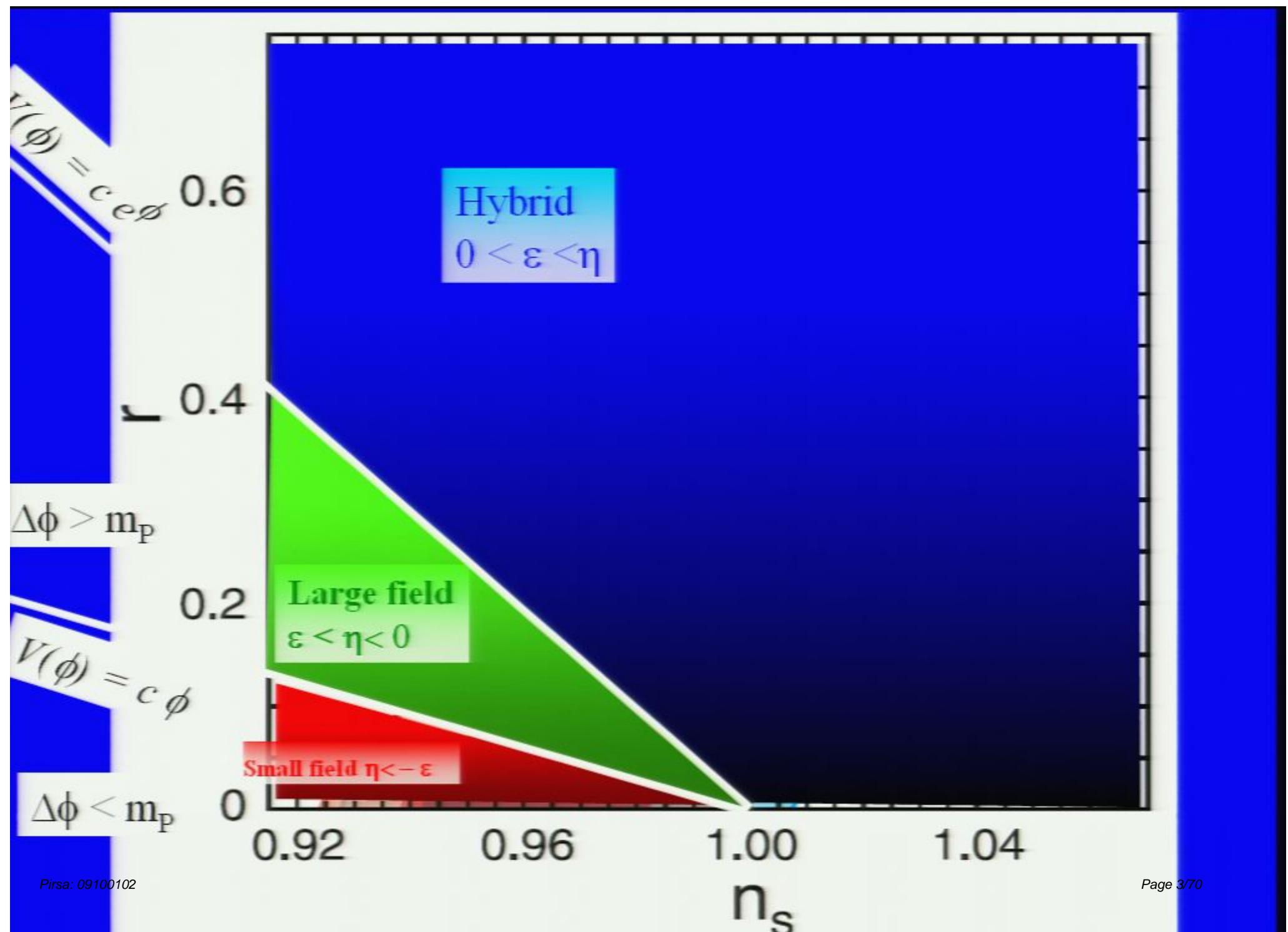
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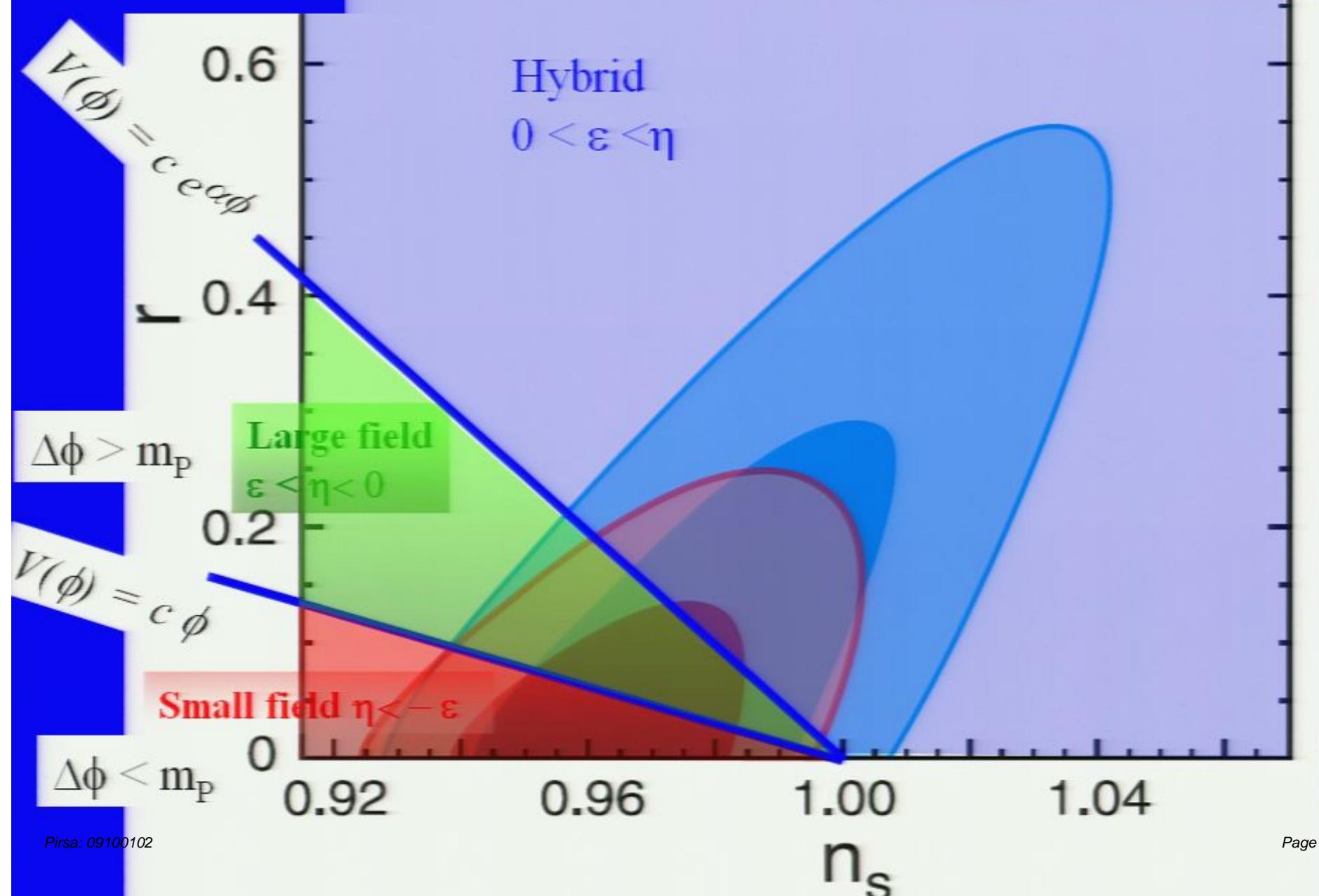
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- * Small field models of inflation
- * Predictions for the CMB:
 - * Simplest models: $n_s < 1$, $r_{0.01} \ll 1$, $\alpha_{0.05} \ll 1$
 - * New class: n_s , $r_{0.01}$, $\alpha_{0.05}$ all allowed values
- * Designing small field SUGRA models
- * Relevance to string theory



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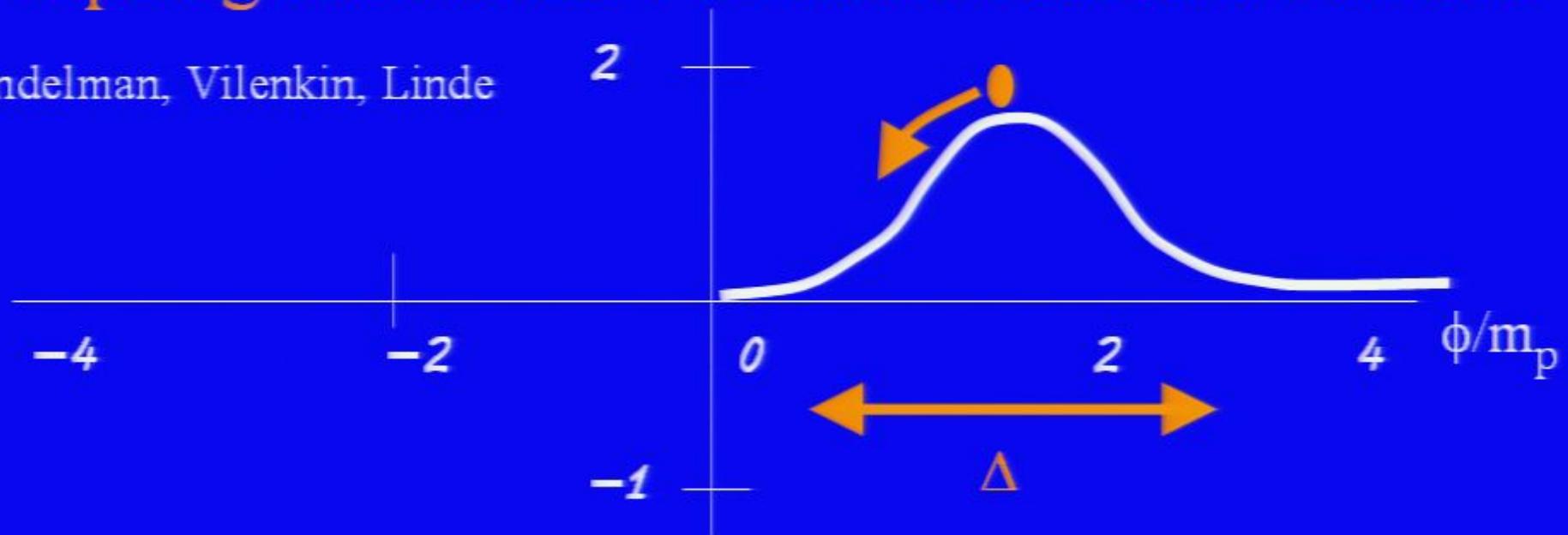
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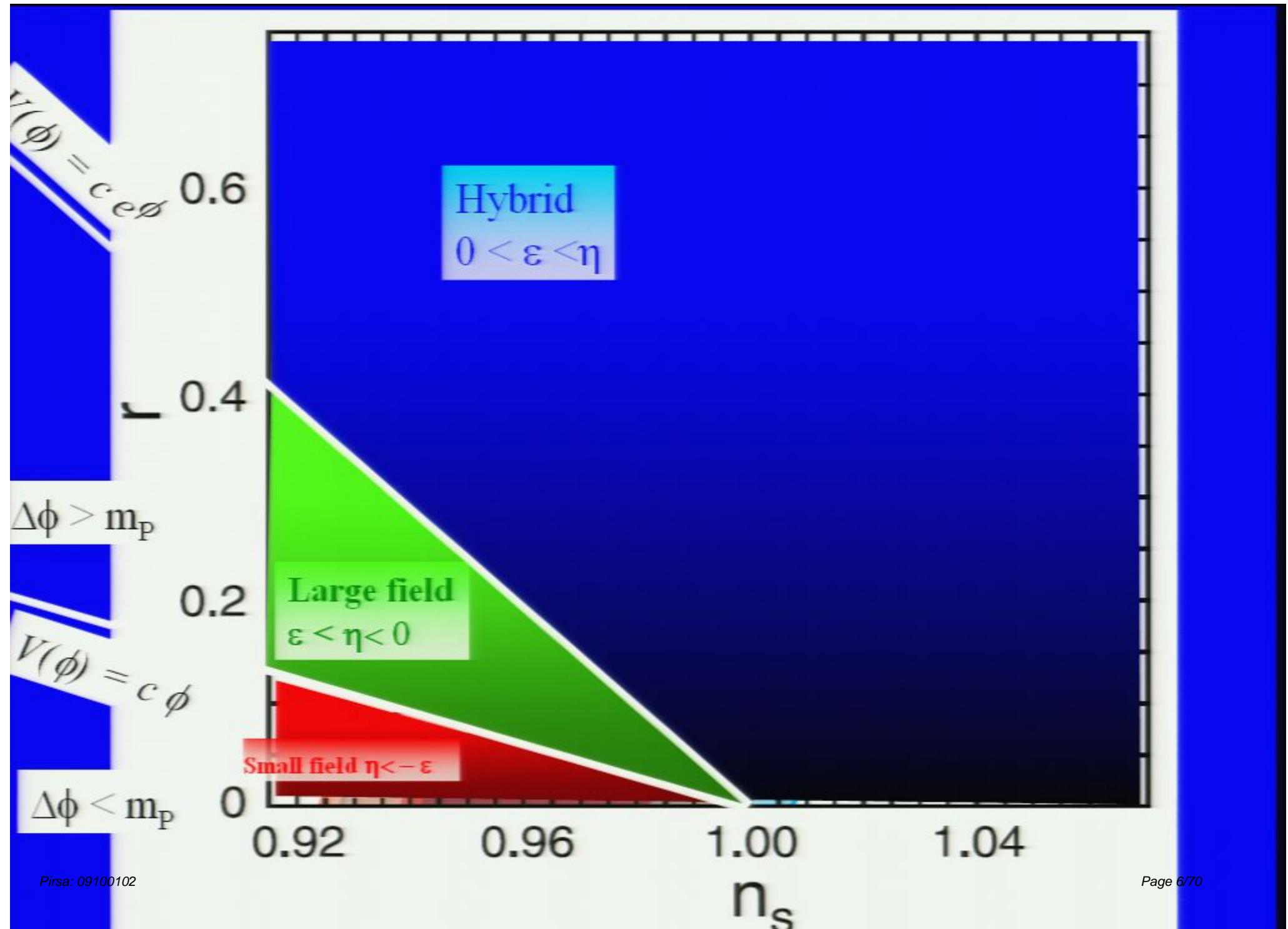


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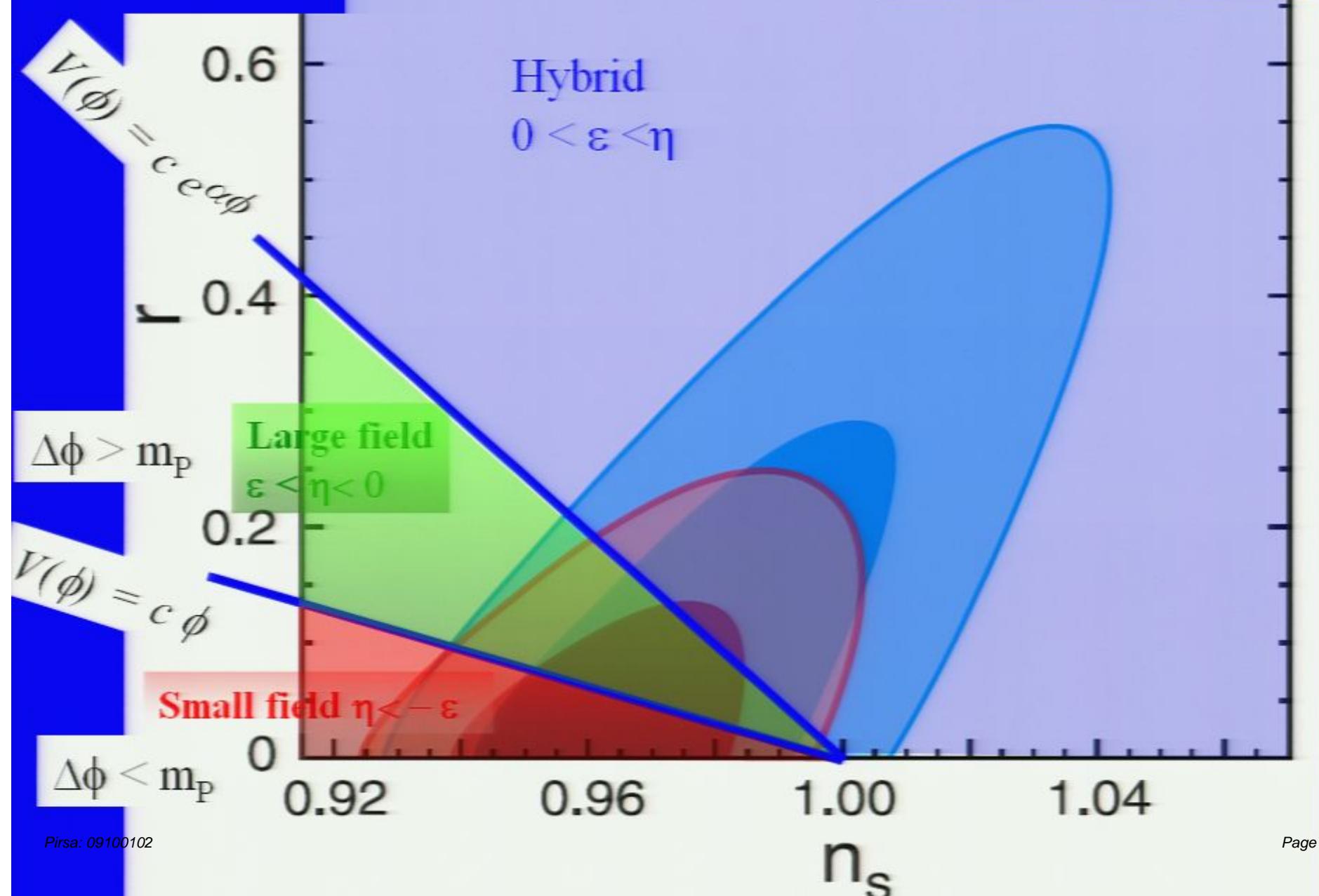
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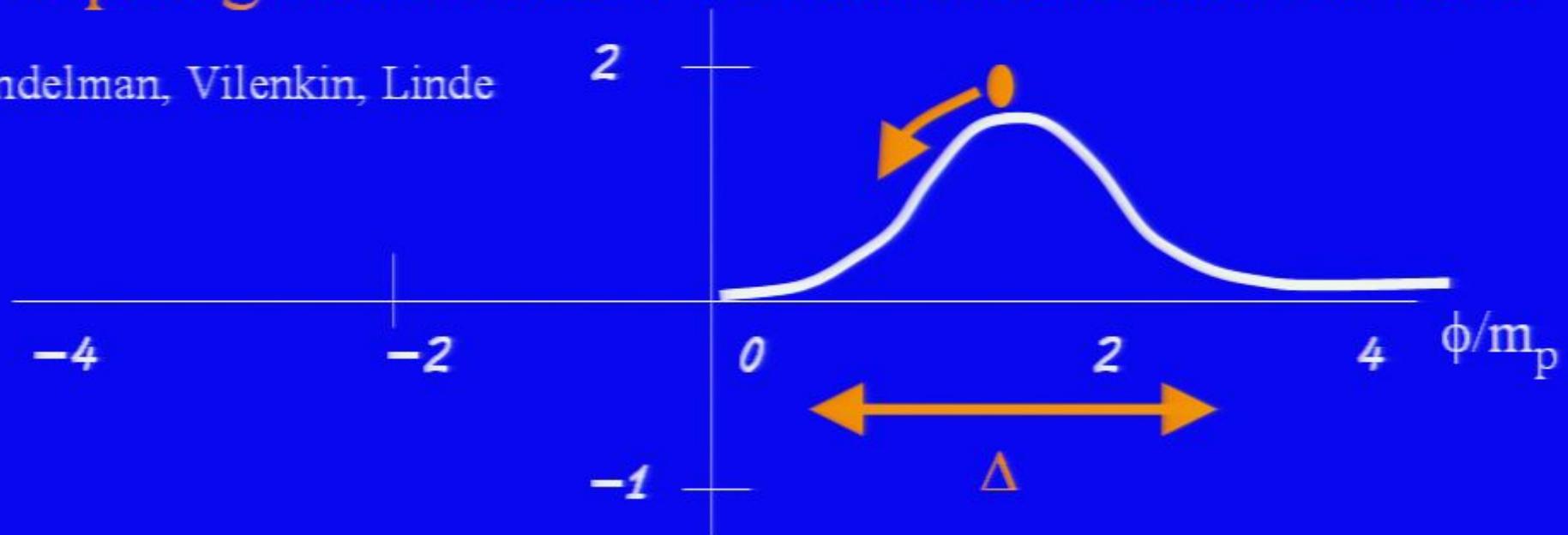
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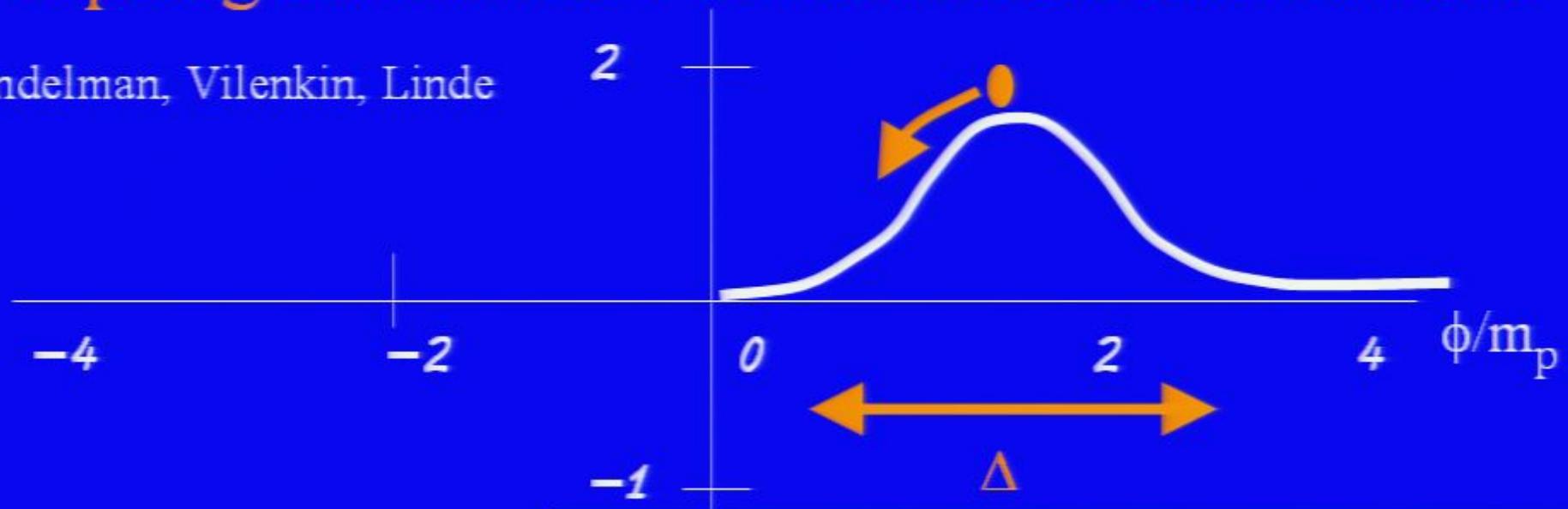
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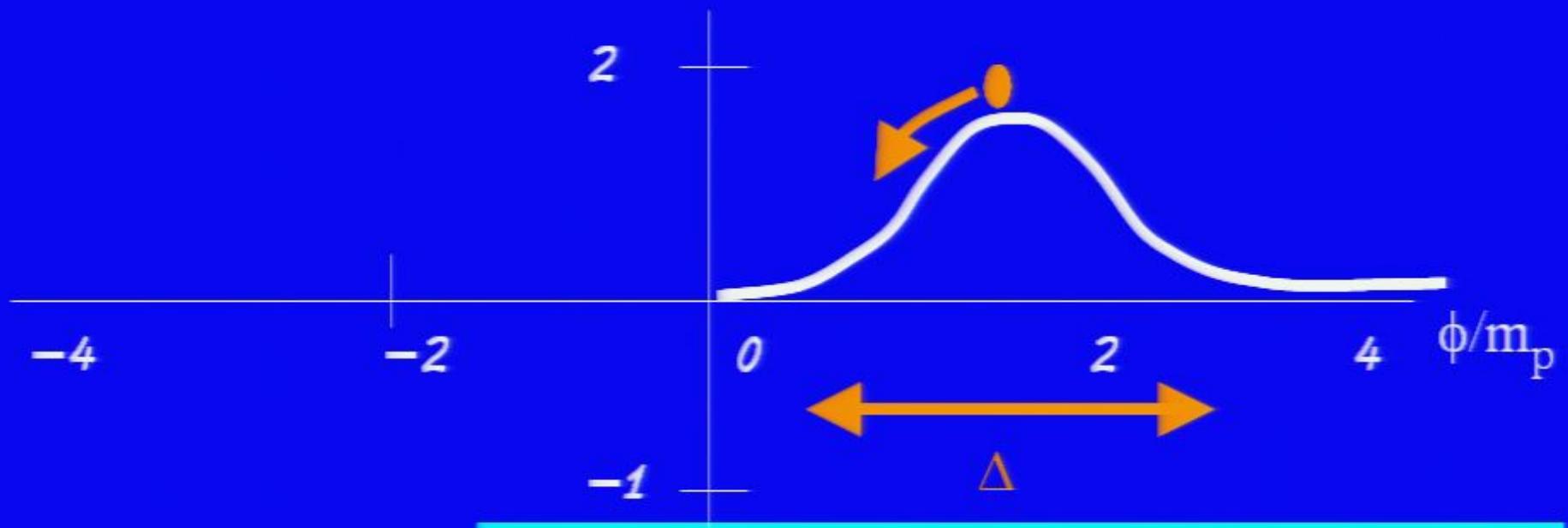
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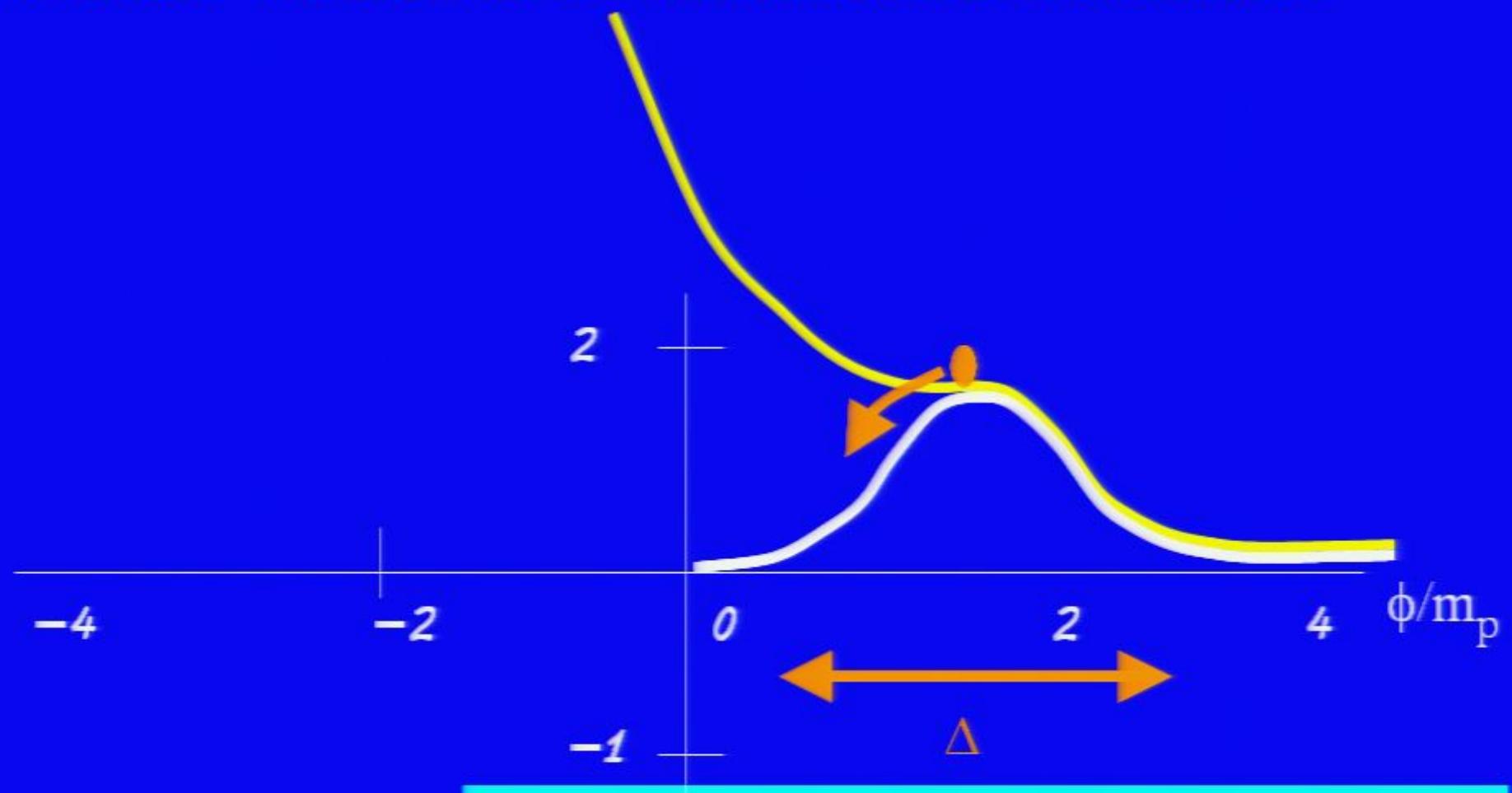
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Models of inflation: Background

de Sitter phase $\rho + p \ll \rho \rightarrow H \sim const.$

Parametrize the deviation from constant H

by the value of the field

$$\varepsilon(\varphi) = \frac{m_p^2}{2} \left(\frac{V'}{V} \right)^2$$

$$\eta(\varphi) = m_p^2 \frac{V''}{V}$$

$$\zeta^2(\varphi) = m_p^2 \frac{V'''V'}{V^2}$$

Or by the number of e-folds

$$N(\varphi) = \int_t^{t_{\text{end}}} d \log a(t) = \int_t^{t_{\text{end}}} H dt = \int_{\varphi}^{\varphi_{\text{end}}} \frac{H}{\dot{\varphi}} d\varphi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m_p}} \int_{\varphi_{\text{end}}}^{\varphi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\varepsilon(\varphi)}} d\varphi$$

Inflation ends when $\varepsilon = 1$

Models of inflation:Perturbations

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CMB observables determined
by quantities ~ 60 efolds before
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$$r = 16 \varepsilon \rightarrow \frac{dN}{d\phi} = \sqrt{\frac{8}{r}}$$

$$\text{If } \varepsilon \sim \text{const.} \rightarrow r \simeq 8 \left(\frac{\Delta\phi}{N_{CMB}} \right)^2$$

“Lyth theorem” $\Delta\phi \sim 1 \rightarrow r_{0.01} > 1$

In practice need $\Delta\phi \sim 10$

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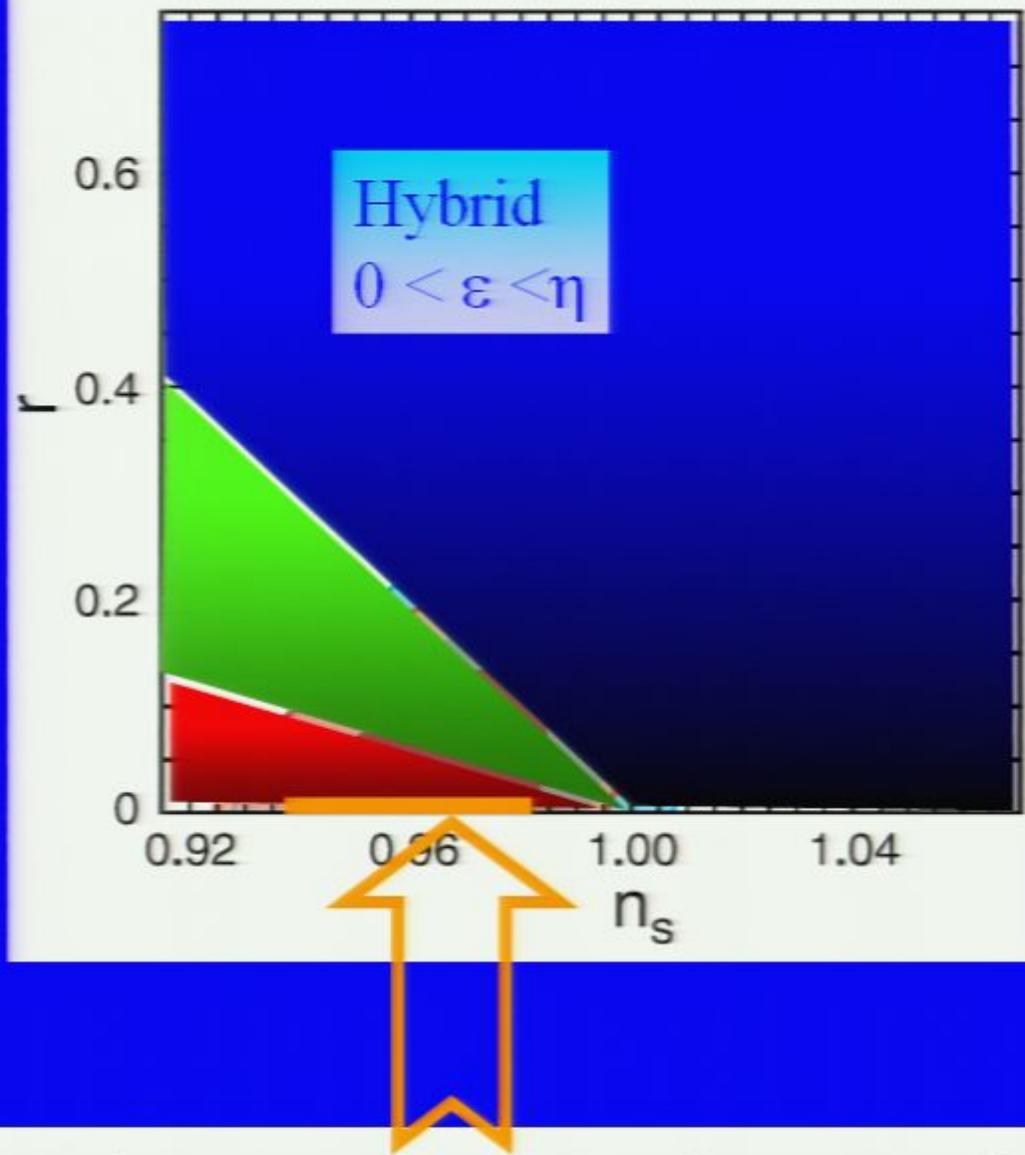
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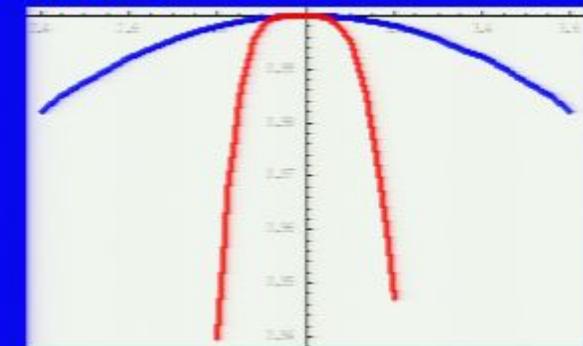
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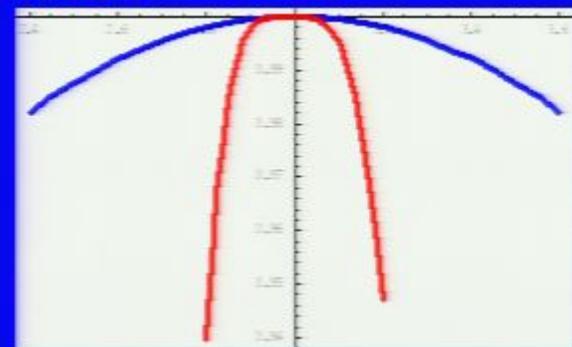
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- Results:
 - Extra suppression of GW

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$$r_{max} = 16 \left[\left(\frac{1}{60e\sqrt{2}} \right) \frac{p-1}{p-2} \right]^{2\frac{p-1}{p-2}} (\phi_{END})^{2\frac{p-1}{p-2}} \left(\frac{60}{N_{CMB}} \right)^{2\frac{p-1}{p-2}}$$

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$$\phi_{END}=1$$

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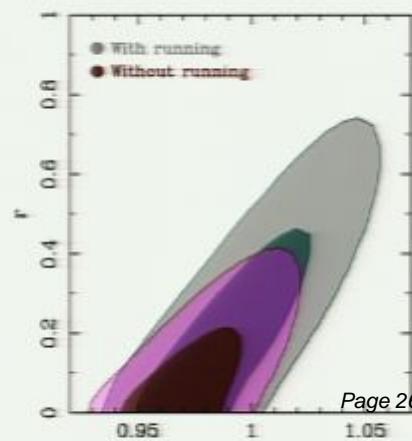
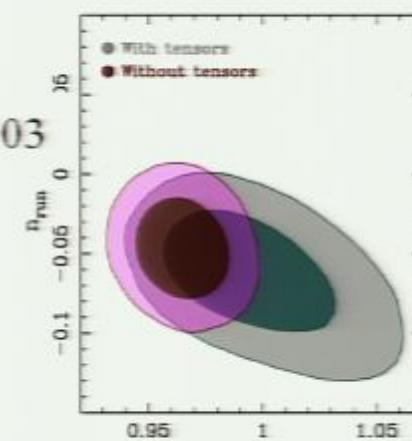
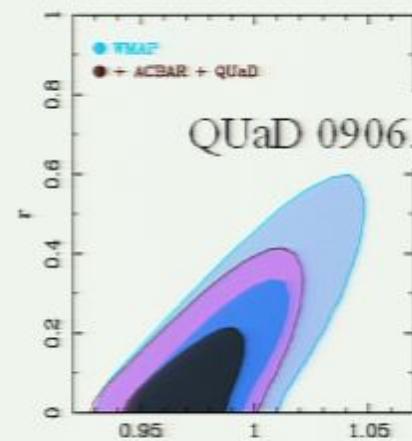
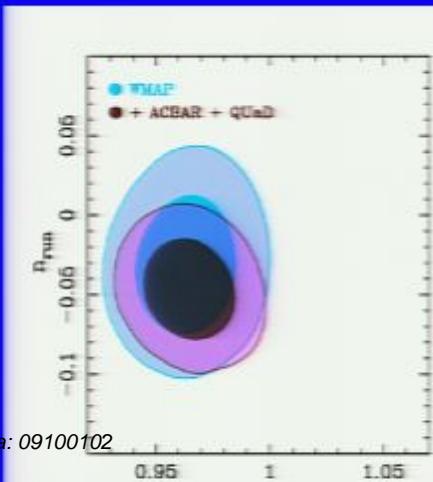
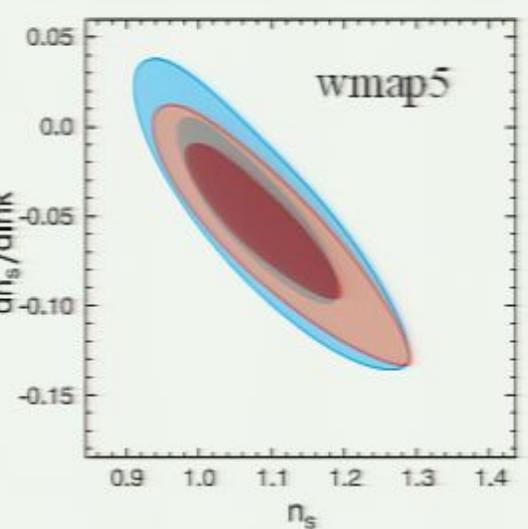
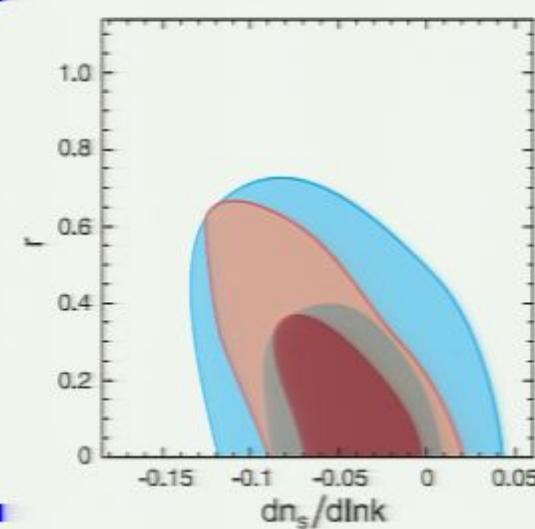
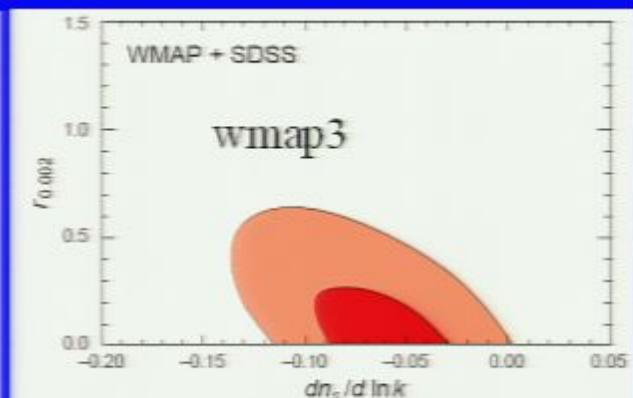
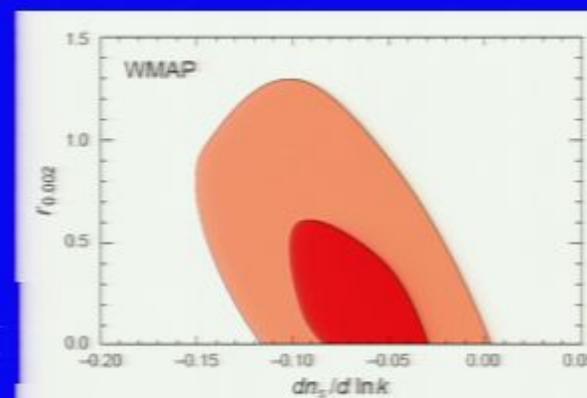
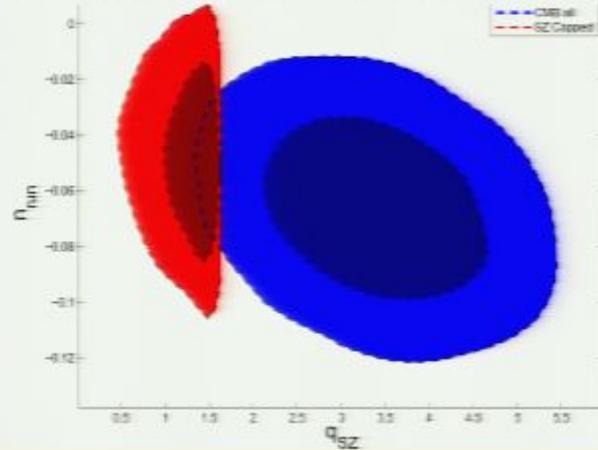
Observational consequences

- Observation of GW signal in the CMB →
~~small field models~~ ?
- Observation of SIR in the CMB →
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SIR observations*

* A *hard* measurement

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 $\frac{dn}{dk} = (-0.041 \pm 0.031, -0.048 \pm 0.028, -0.066 \pm 0.022)$



New class of small field models

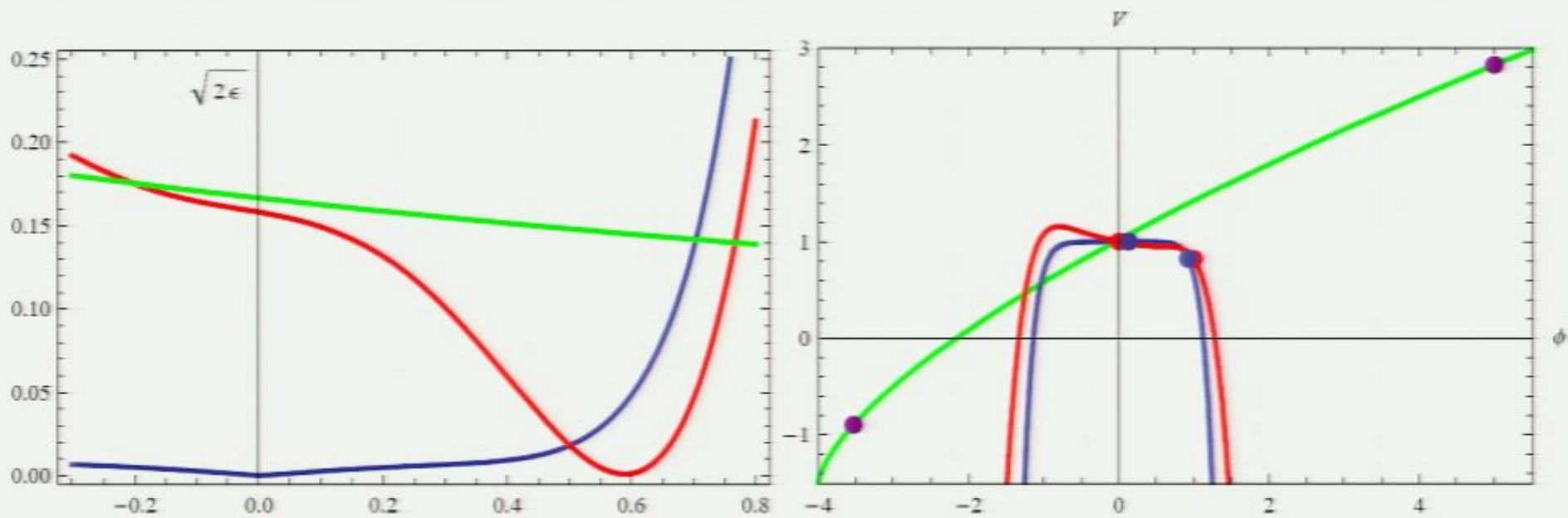
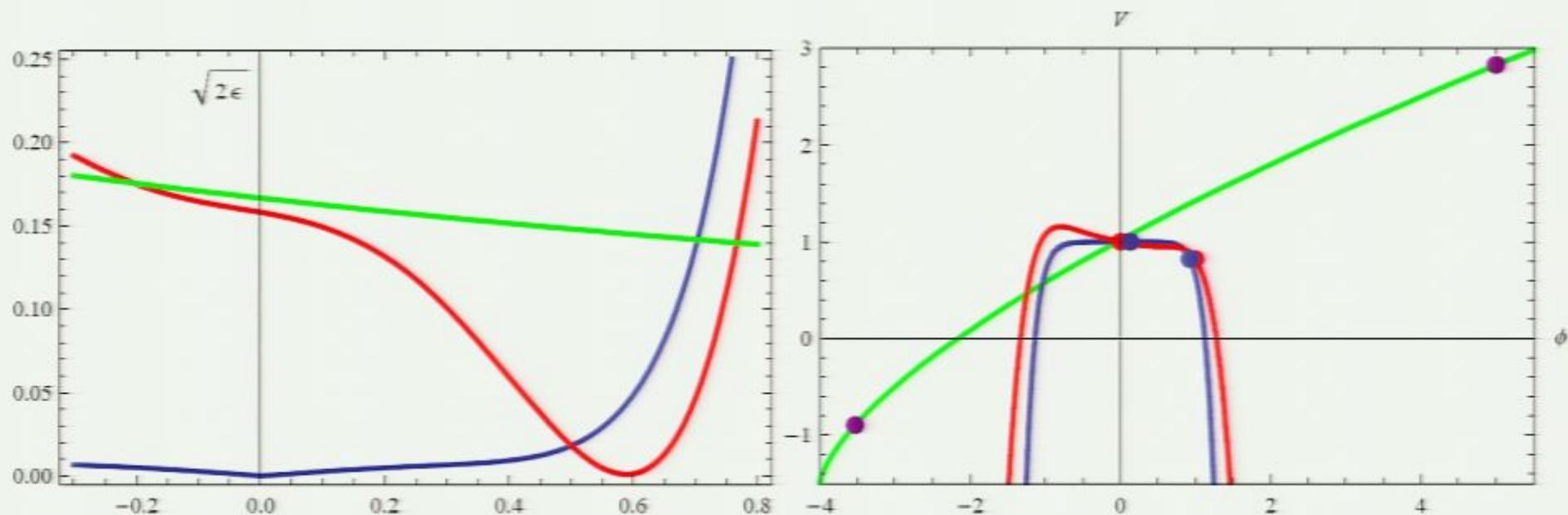


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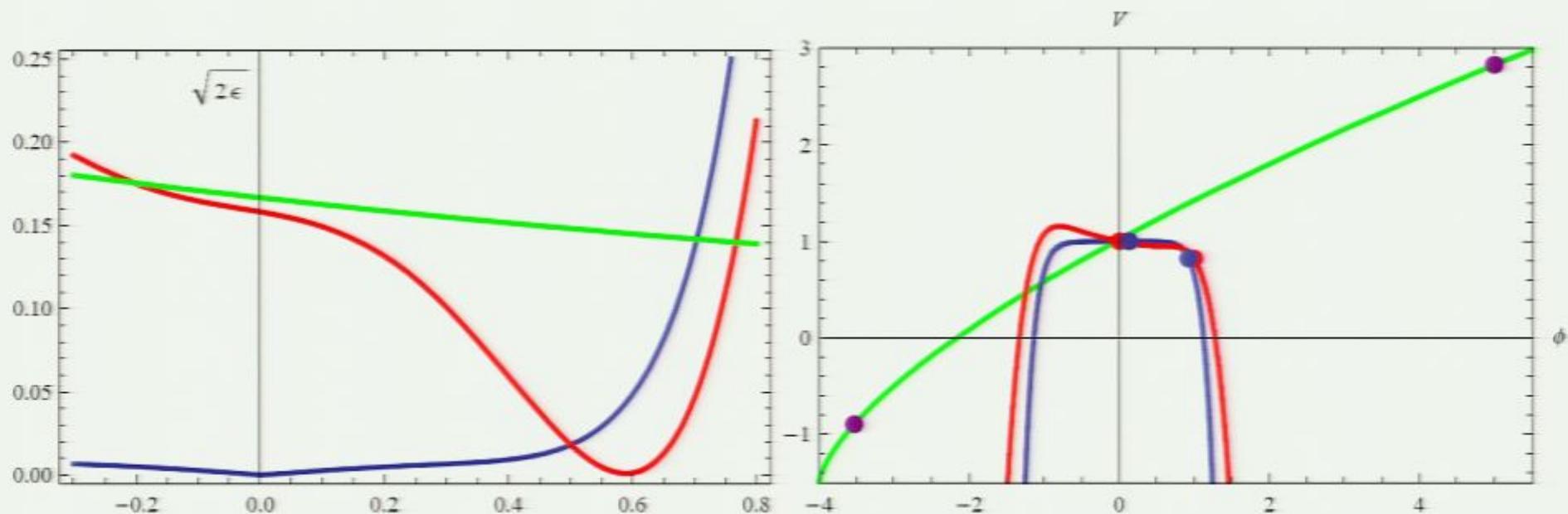
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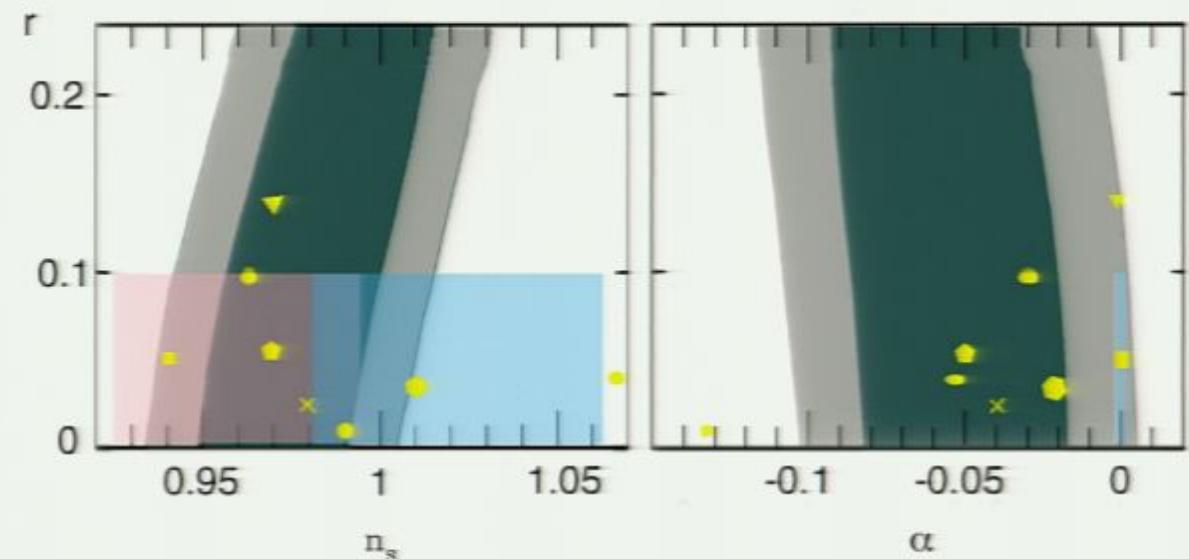
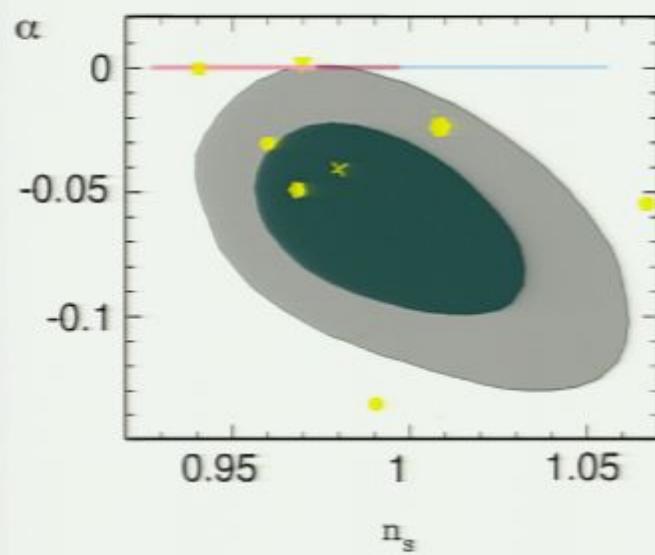
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Potential parameters					Range		CMB observables		
r_0	η_0	α_0	a_4	a_5	$\Delta\phi_{50}$	$\Delta\phi_{60}$	n_s	r	α
* 0.05	-0.02	-0.001	-0.1752	0.1314	0.855	1.5	0.94	0.05	0.0002
* 0.10	0.015	-0.03	-0.6102	0.709	0.567	1.0	0.96	0.10	-0.031
* 0.04	0.07	-0.05	-0.2739	0.48	0.5	1.0	1.07	0.04	-0.052
0.02	-0.02	0.001	-4.1355	10.505	0.245	0.5	0.95	0.02	0.001
0.20	0.09	-0.07	-0.6100	0.7253	0.58	1.0	1.02	0.20	-0.084
0.08	0.05	-0.05	-0.6982	0.9935	0.487	0.9	1.01	0.08	-0.053
* 0.04	0.025	-0.02	-0.436	0.574	0.525	1.0	1.01	0.04	-0.021
* 0.13	0.01	0.001	-0.4072	0.367	0.705	1.2	0.97	0.13	0.001
* 0.05	0.02	-0.05	-0.425	0.591	0.53	1.0	0.97	0.05	-0.051
* 0.02	0.015	-0.04	-0.691	1.33	0.39	0.8	0.98	0.02	-0.04
0.02	0.1144	0	0.0325	0	0.8	2	1.23	0.02	-0.0022
* 0.01	0.065	-0.133	0.671	0	0.315	0.9	0.99	0.01	-0.134

New class of models: “Predictions”



New class of small field models: EFT considerations

$$V = \Lambda^4 \left(1 + \sum_{n=1} \lambda_n (\phi/m_P)^n \right) \quad \Lambda \simeq 1 \times 10^{16} \text{ GeV} \quad (r/.01)^{1/4}$$

$$(E/\Lambda)^{+ve} \quad \lambda_n \ll 1, \quad n \geq 4$$

Small scale-separation

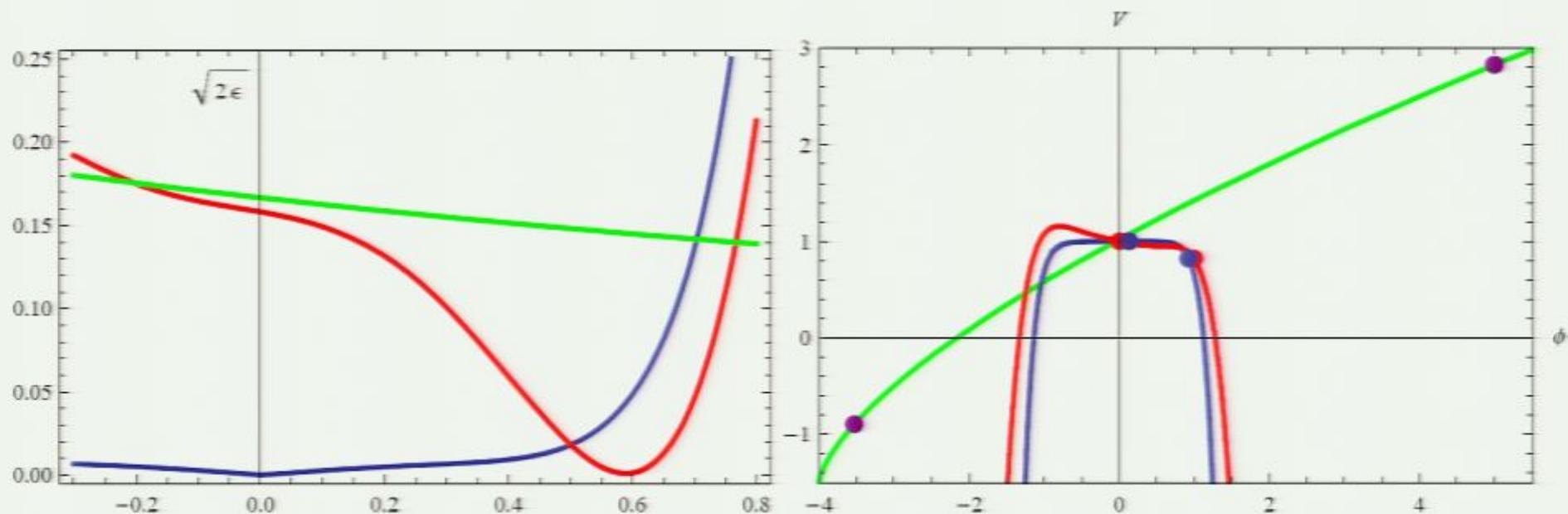
$$\min(\sqrt{\varepsilon}, \sqrt{\eta}) \frac{\Lambda}{m_p} \Lambda = \min(\sqrt{\varepsilon}, \sqrt{\eta}) H < E < \Lambda$$

λ_i i=1,2,3, special. For example $\lambda_1 = -.035(r/.01)^{1/2}$

$$(E/\Lambda)^{-ve}, \lambda_3 \ll 1$$

$$N \sim \int \frac{d\varphi}{\sqrt{\epsilon}}$$
$$\sum a_n (\overset{(2)}{\varphi} - \varphi_{min})^n$$
$$\varphi_{CMB} = 0$$

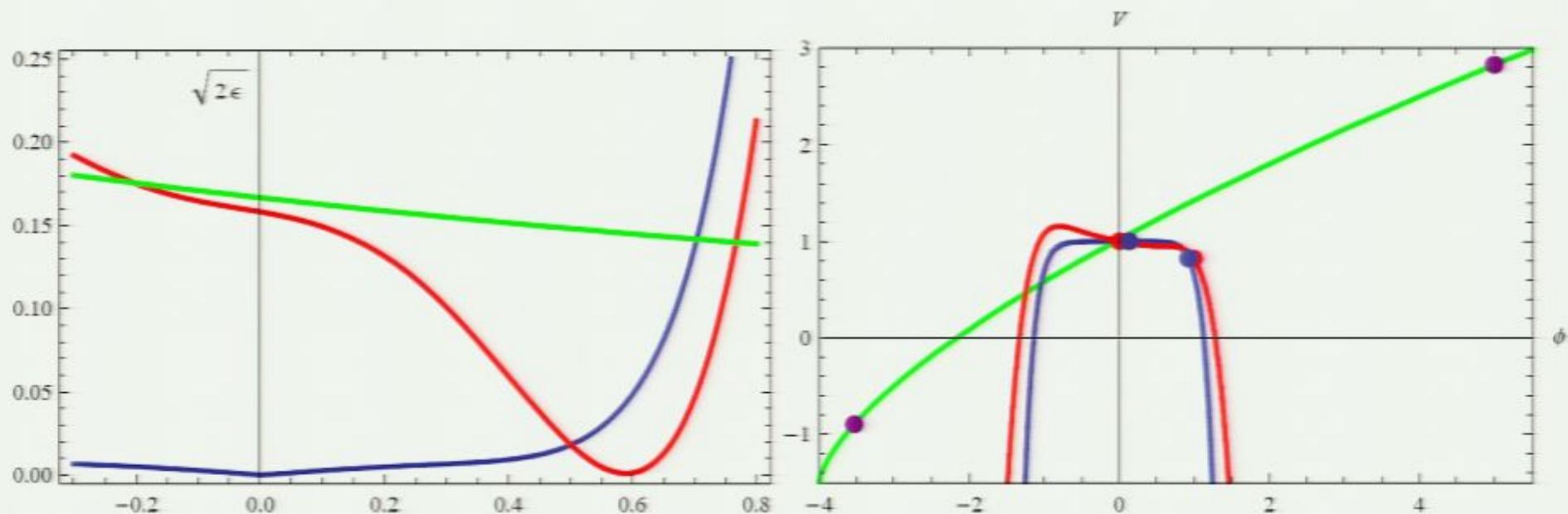
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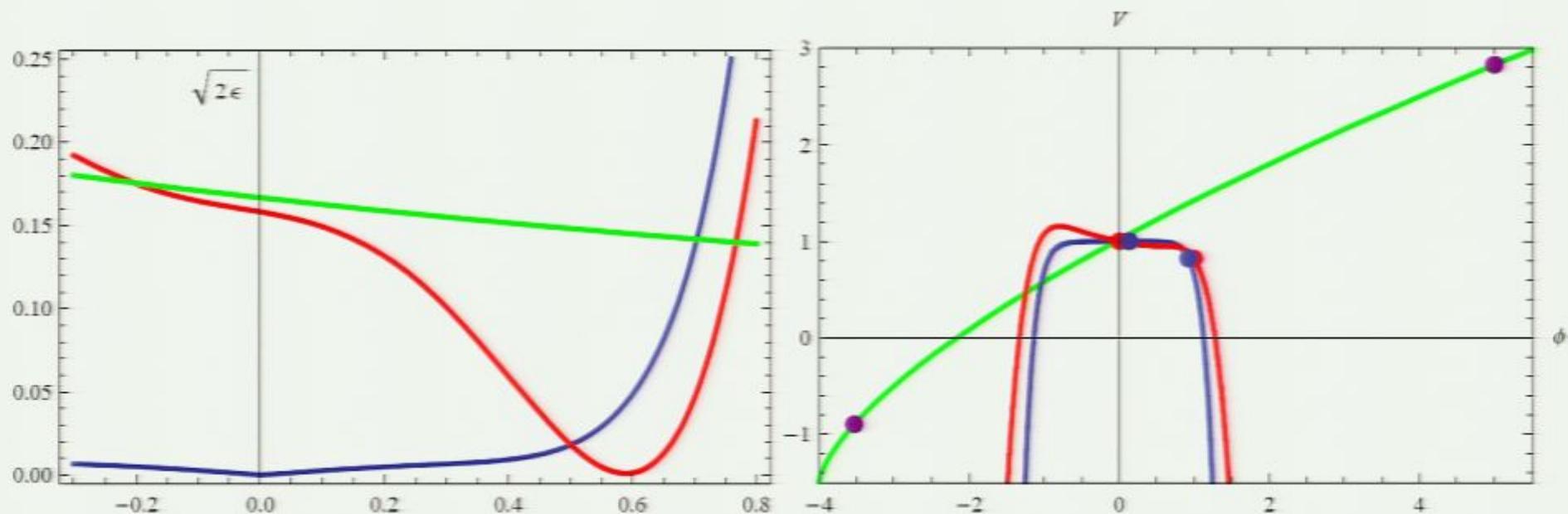
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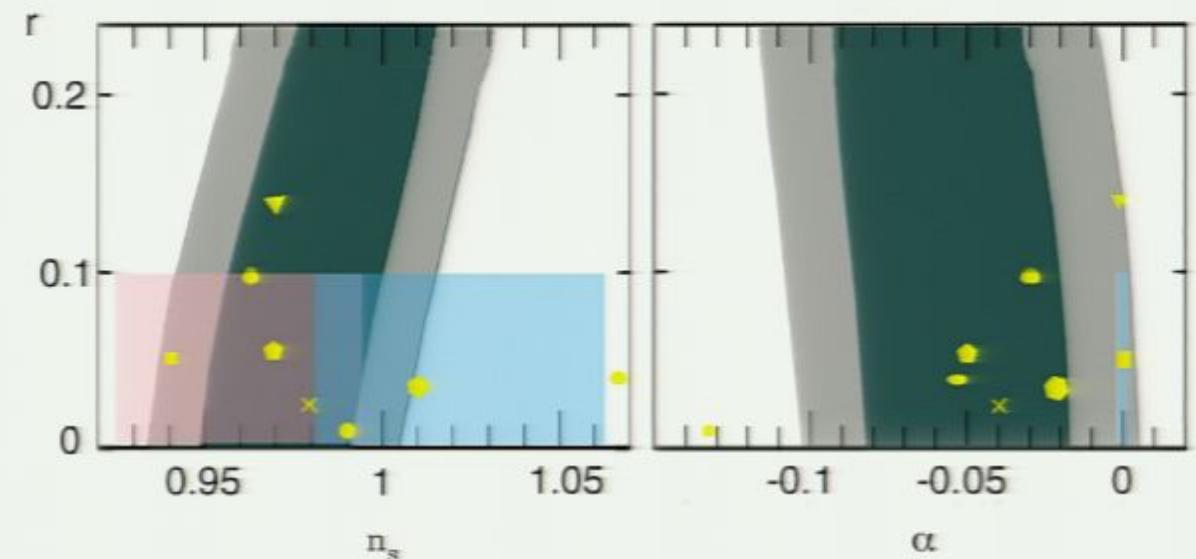
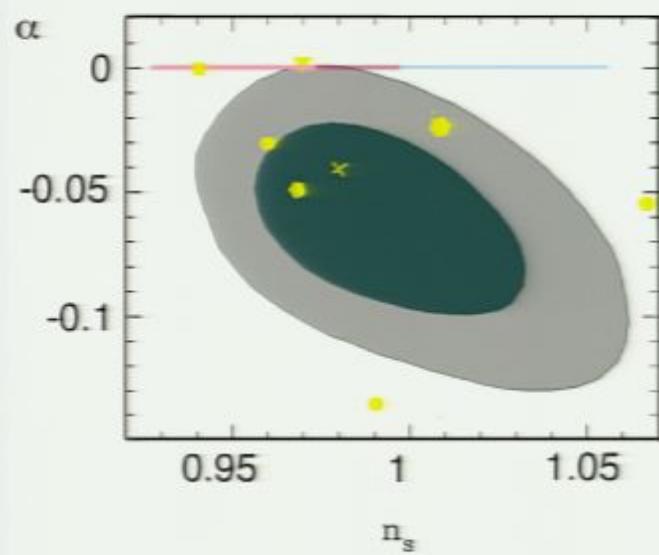
$$N_{CMB} = \int_0^{\phi_{END}} \frac{d\phi}{\sqrt{2\epsilon(\phi; a_5)}}$$

4 physical parameters* + 2 initial conditions, 5 equations, 1 non-linear *only derivatives of the potential are measured

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Potential parameters					Range		CMB observables		
r_0	η_0	α_0	a_4	a_5	$\Delta\phi_{50}$	$\Delta\phi_{60}$	n_s	r	α
* 0.05	-0.02	-0.001	-0.1752	0.1314	0.855	1.5	0.94	0.05	0.0002
* 0.10	0.015	-0.03	-0.6102	0.709	0.567	1.0	0.96	0.10	-0.031
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0.02	-0.02	0.001	-4.1355	10.505	0.245	0.5	0.95	0.02	0.001
0.20	0.09	-0.07	-0.6100	0.7253	0.58	1.0	1.02	0.20	-0.084
0.08	0.05	-0.05	-0.6982	0.9935	0.487	0.9	1.01	0.08	-0.053
* 0.04	0.025	-0.02	-0.436	0.574	0.525	1.0	1.01	0.04	-0.021
* 0.13	0.01	0.001	-0.4072	0.367	0.705	1.2	0.97	0.13	0.001
* 0.05	0.02	-0.05	-0.425	0.591	0.53	1.0	0.97	0.05	-0.051
* 0.02	0.015	-0.04	-0.691	1.33	0.39	0.8	0.98	0.02	-0.04
0.02	0.1144	0	0.0325	0	0.8	2	1.23	0.02	-0.0022
* 0.01	0.065	-0.133	0.671	0	0.315	0.9	0.99	0.01	-0.134

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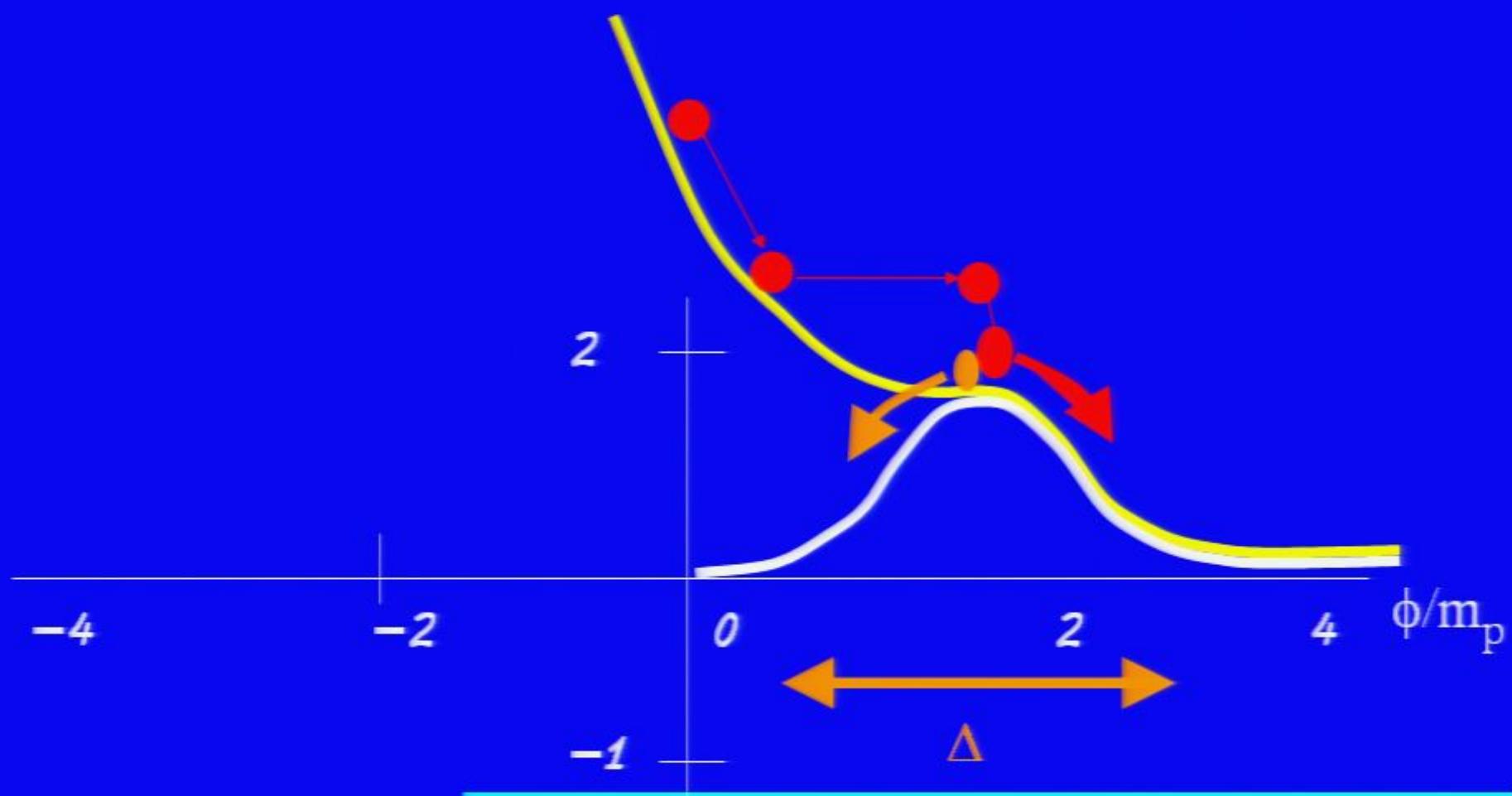
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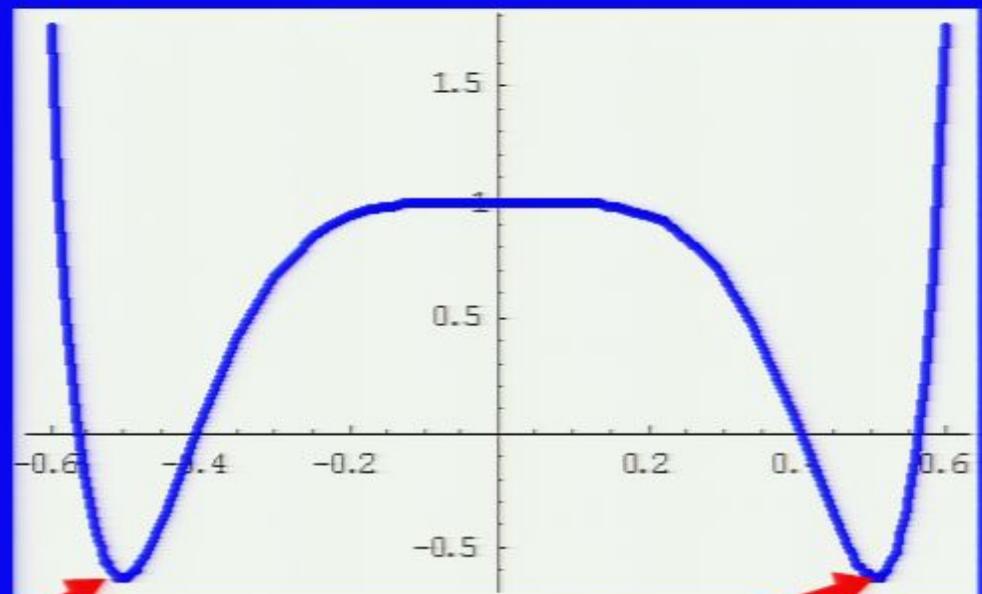
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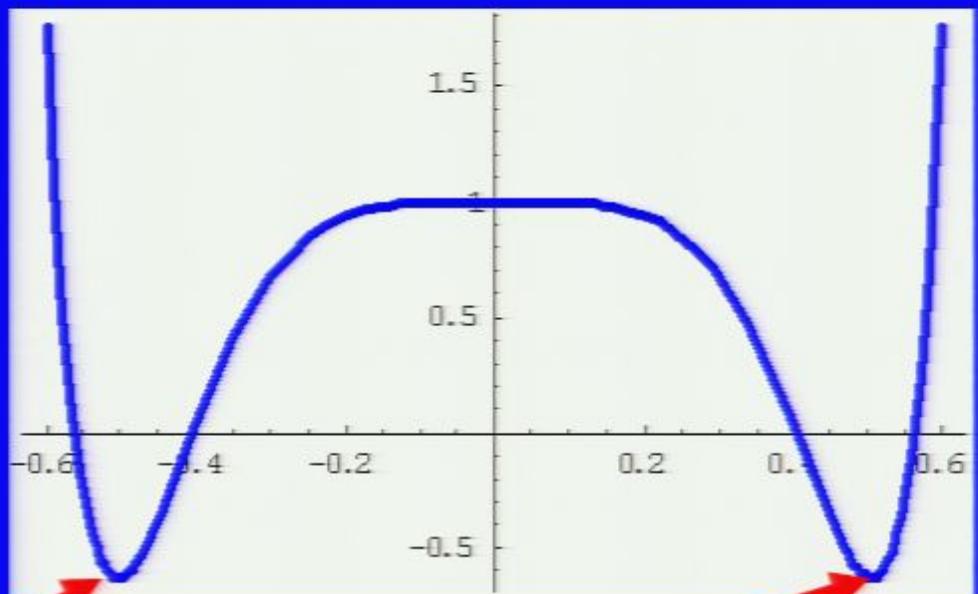
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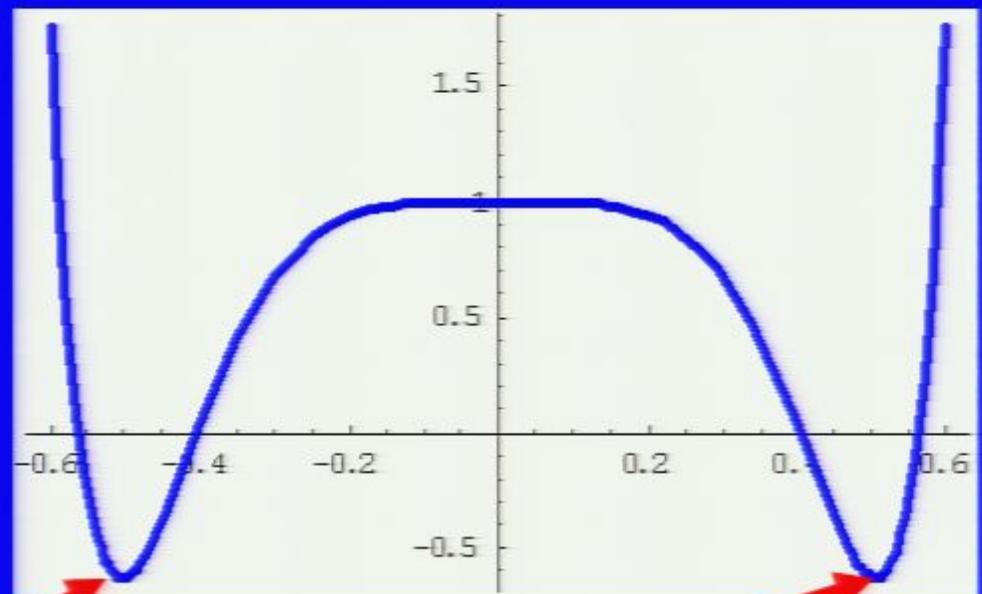
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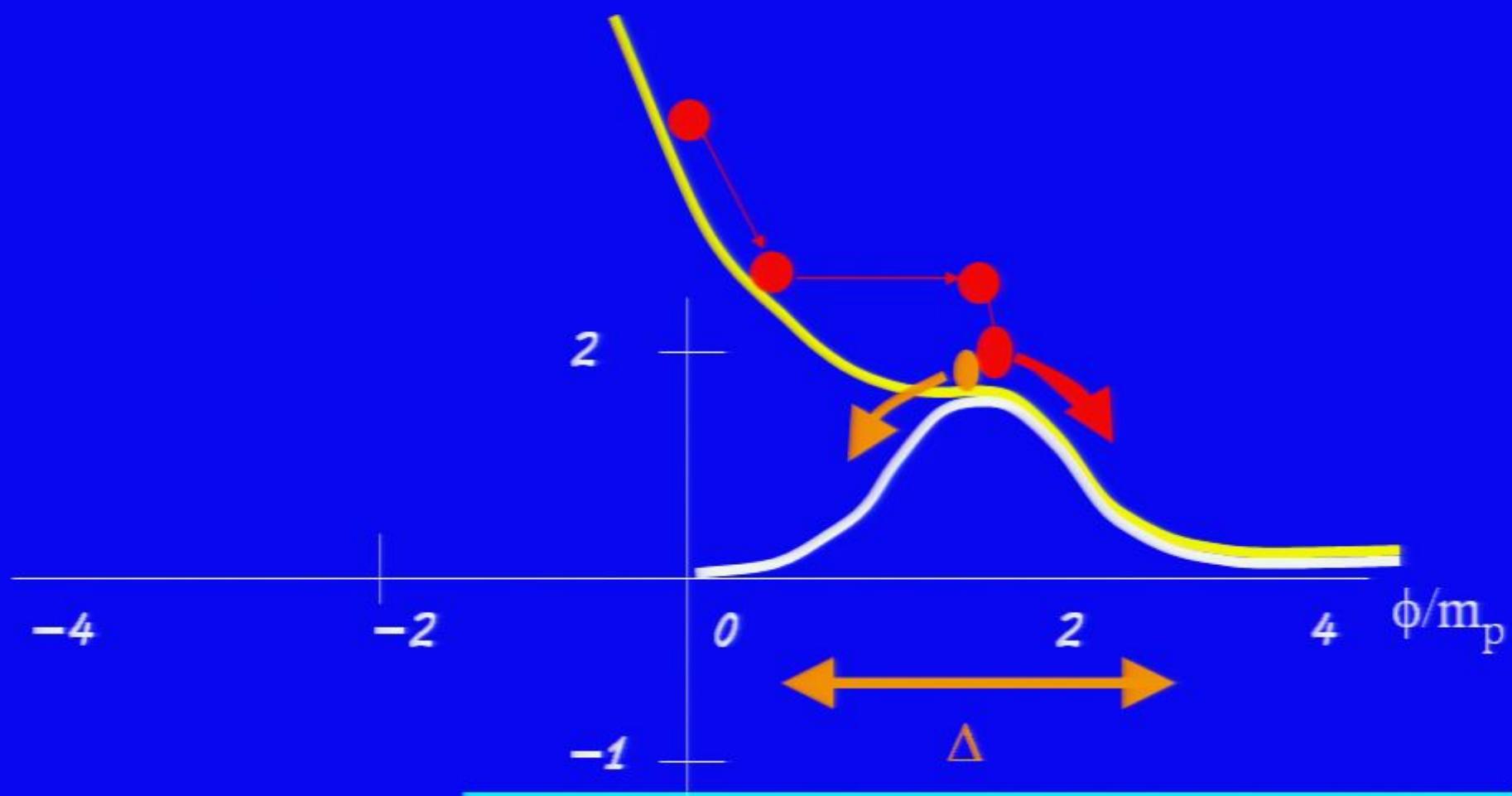
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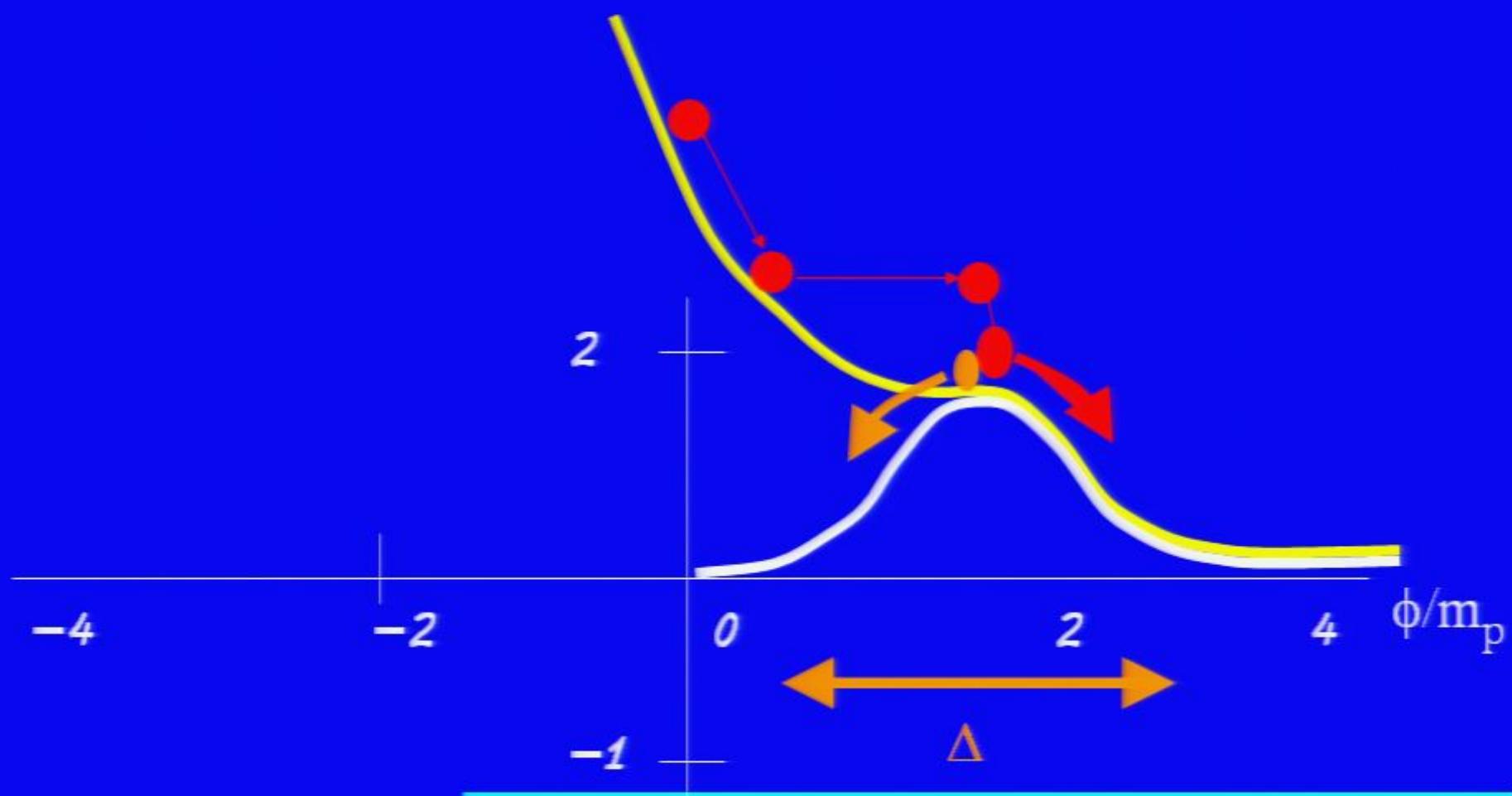
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