

Title: Going beyond de Sitter

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Abstract: De Sitter space is a maximally symmetric space, and any (time dependent) backreaction necessarily breaks the symmetry. On the other hand, the backreaction in FLRW spaces (which, from the cosmological perspective, are more realistic spaces) respects the symmetries of the background space. One could therefore argue that it is more natural to study the backreaction on quasi-de Sitter spaces, and more generally on FLRW spaces. As examples, I will present our results on the one loop (Hubble) effective potential calculation, and the one loop stress energy calculation. We find that the backreaction from infrared modes can be important if a massless scalar couples nonminimally to the Ricci with a negative coupling, and if the Universe expands faster than exponentially.

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HUBBLE EFFECTIVE POTENTIAL

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▶ **SCALAR : BACKGROUND + FLUCTUATIONS:** $\varphi = \Phi(x) + \phi(x)$

▶ **EFFECTIVE ACTION:** $\Phi(x) \rightarrow \Phi_0, \Gamma_{\text{eff}} = V_{\text{eff}}[\Phi_0]$

▶ **IN COSMOLOGY: THE BACKGROUND IS EVOLVING!**

⇒ **HUBBLE EFFECTIVE POTENTIAL:** $\Phi(x) \rightarrow \Phi_0, H(t), \Gamma_{\text{eff}} \rightarrow V_{\text{hub}}[\Phi, H]$

▶ **Classical equation of motion:**

$$\ddot{\Phi} + 3H\dot{\Phi} + m^2\Phi + \xi R\Phi + \frac{\lambda}{6}\Phi^3 = 0$$

• in constant $\varepsilon = -(dH/dt)/H^2$ (flat FLRW) spaces this becomes :

$$2\varepsilon^2 - 3\varepsilon + 6\xi(2 - \varepsilon) + \frac{\lambda}{6}\Phi_0^2 = 0 \quad (m=0)$$

$$\Rightarrow \Phi_0 = \Phi_0(\varepsilon, \lambda) = \text{const}$$

⇒ **ONE LOOP HUBBLE EFFECTIVE POTENTIAL:** $V_{\text{hub}}[\Phi]$

1 LOOP HUBBLE EFFECTIVE POTENTIAL

USE IR REGULATED PROPAGATOR (comoving box) FOR CONSTANT SPACES

Janssen, Miao, Prokopec, Woodard (2008)

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{\text{hub}}(\Phi, H) = & \frac{\lambda}{96\pi^2} (1 - 5\varepsilon + 3\varepsilon^2) H^2 \Phi + \left\{ \xi + \frac{\lambda(\xi - 1/6)}{32\pi^2} \left[\ln\left(\frac{(1-\varepsilon)^2 H^2}{\mu^2}\right) + \psi\left(\frac{1}{2} + \nu\right) \right] + \psi\left(N + \frac{5}{2} + \nu\right) \right\} R\Phi \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

► where:

$$\nu_{D=4}^2 = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{(\xi - 1/6)R + \lambda\Phi^2/2}{(1-\varepsilon)^2 H^2}, \quad k_0^2 \eta^2 = \frac{k_0^2}{(1-\varepsilon)^2 a^2 H^2}$$

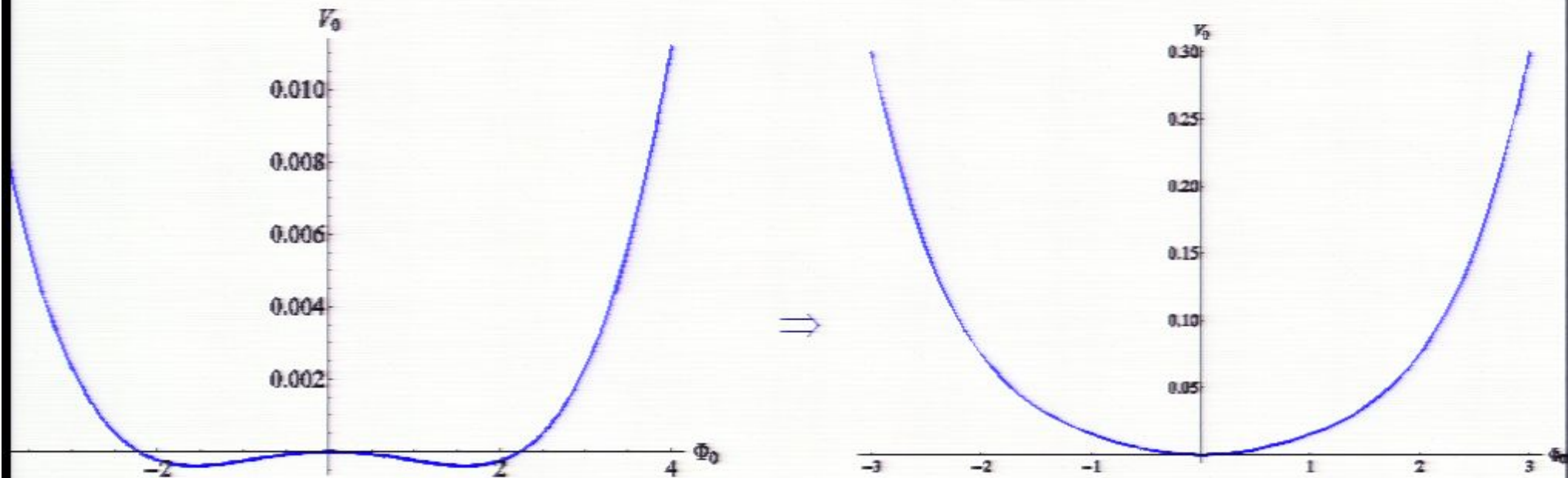
Q: What can we learn from this complicated potential?

- In the limit when $\Phi \gg H \rightarrow 0$, it reproduces the Coleman-Weinberg eff. potential

- In the de Sitter limit when $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, it reproduces the result from **Bilandzic & TP (2006)**

EVOLUTION OF V_{eff} WITH TIME: SYMMETRY RESTAURATION

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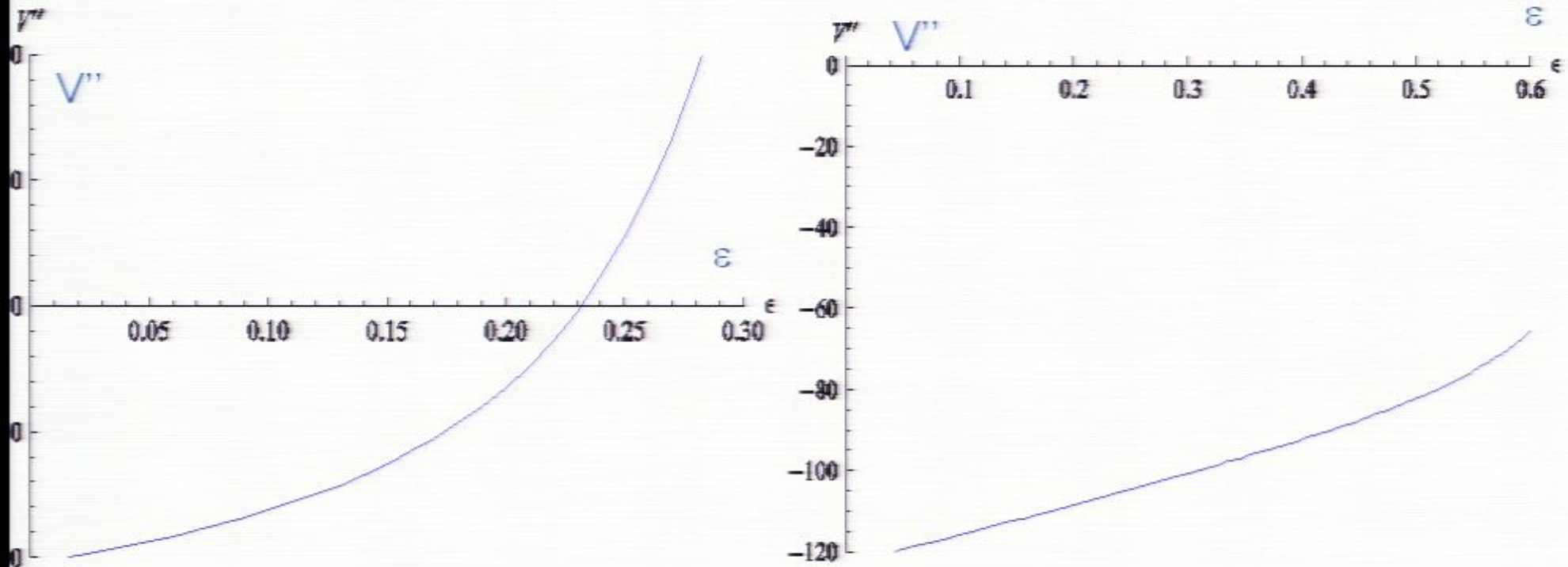


\Rightarrow early times \Leftarrow

\Rightarrow late times (13 e-folds) \Leftarrow

- ▶ if $\varepsilon = -(dH/dt)/H^2$ is larger symmetry gets restored earlier
- ▶ here $\varepsilon = 0.1$, sym restoration at 9 e-foldings after beginning

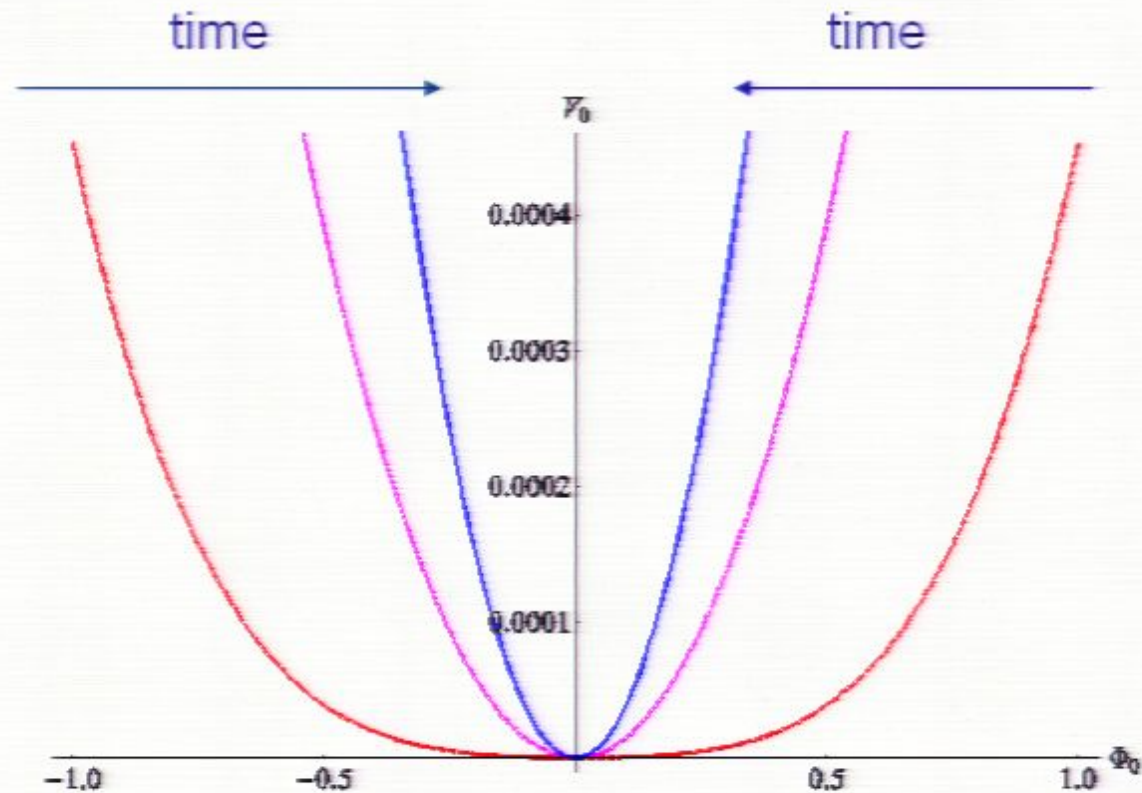
SYMMETRY RESTAURATION



► [here $\xi=0$] symmetry restoration happens earlier for larger ϵ

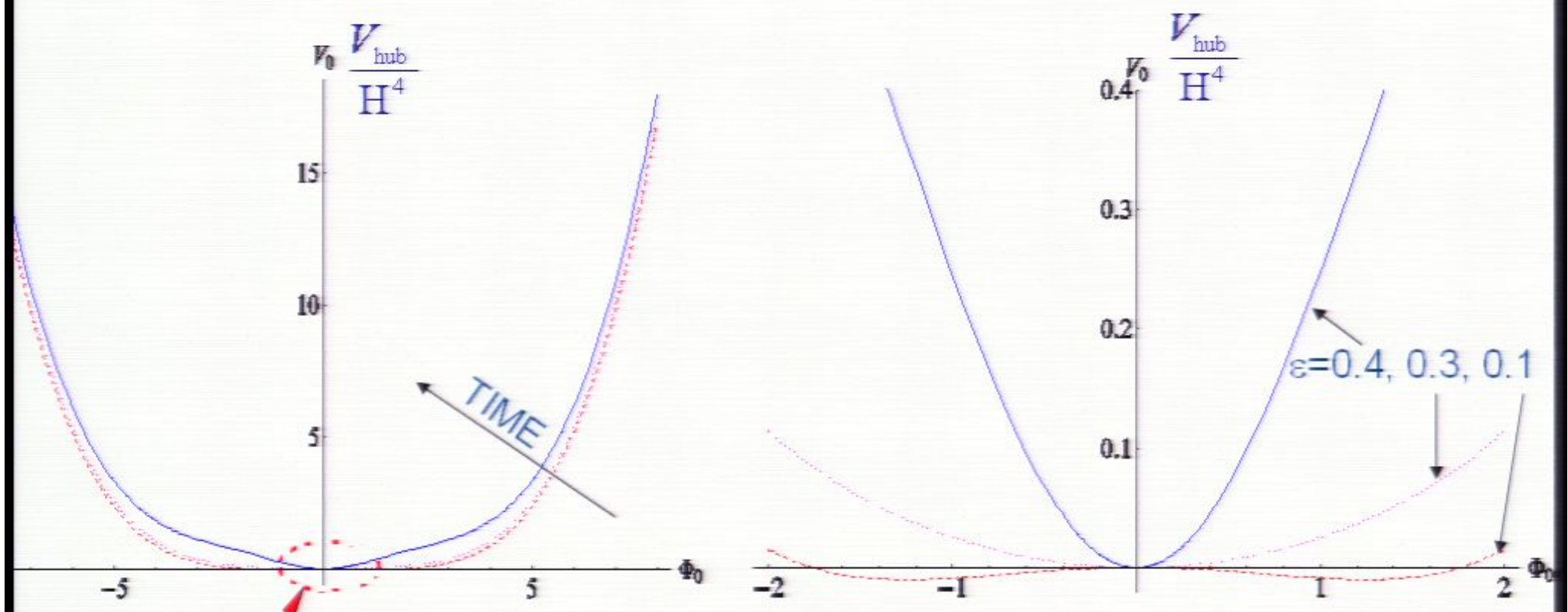
EVOLUTION OF V_{eff} WITH TIME II

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- ▶ curvature of the effective potential around the origin: strengthens with time
- ▶ relevant for preheating: makes production of massive particles more efficient
- ▶ suggest breakdown of perturbation theory at late times in inflation
(also an important – and recognized – issue in Higgs inflation where $\xi \sim 50000$)

DEPENDENCE V_{hub} ON TIME & EPSILON



SUMMARY AND DISCUSSION, Part I

- Symmetry restoration in inflation can lead e.g. to particle production during inflation, if nonadiabatic
(fermions: TP+Garbrecht, PRD [gr-qc/0602011]; scalars; photons?)
- Changes in the potential affect cosmological perturbations
 - ▶ amplitude and spectral index of scalar and tensor perturbations
(e.g.: one has to reexamine models such as Albrecht-Steinhardt new inflation)
- Preheating is more dramatic (recall dependence on ϵ)

WHAT IS (QUANTUM) BACKREACTION?

Einstein's Equations

$$G_{\mu\nu} \left(\underbrace{g_{\alpha\beta}^b}_{\text{BACKGD.}} + \underbrace{\delta g_{\alpha\beta}}_{\text{FLUCT.}} \right) = 8\pi G T_{\mu\nu} (g_{\alpha\beta}^b + \delta g_{\alpha\beta}, \psi_i^b + \delta\psi_i)$$

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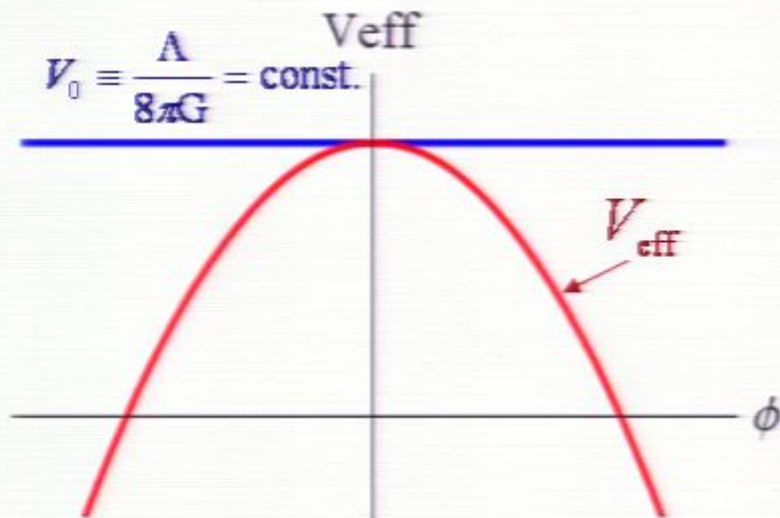
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A FEW WORDS ON THE CCP PROBLEM

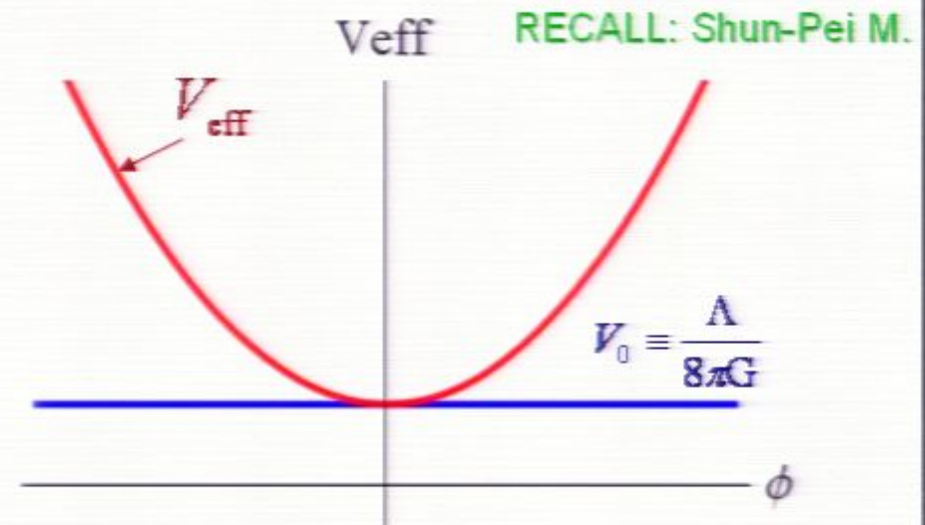
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- Quantum corrections in scalar QED, **scalar** theories ($\lambda\phi^4$) are positive
- Quantum corrections from integrating fermions (QED, yukawa) are negative

FERMIONS + YUKAWA



SCALARS + VECTORS/GRAVITONS



\$1000000 Q: Can solving for V_{eff} self consistently with the Friedmann equation stop the Universe from collapsing into a negative energy ('anti-de Sitter') universe?

JFK+TP, in progress

The Universe can **also** be **stabilised** by adding a sufficiently many vectors and scalars

NB: An effective potential of the form $V_{\text{eff}} \sim -\lambda(\phi^4)\ln(\phi^2/H^2)$ would solve the CCP problem (the dynamics of ϕ would drive $\Lambda \rightarrow 0$). But, how to get it?

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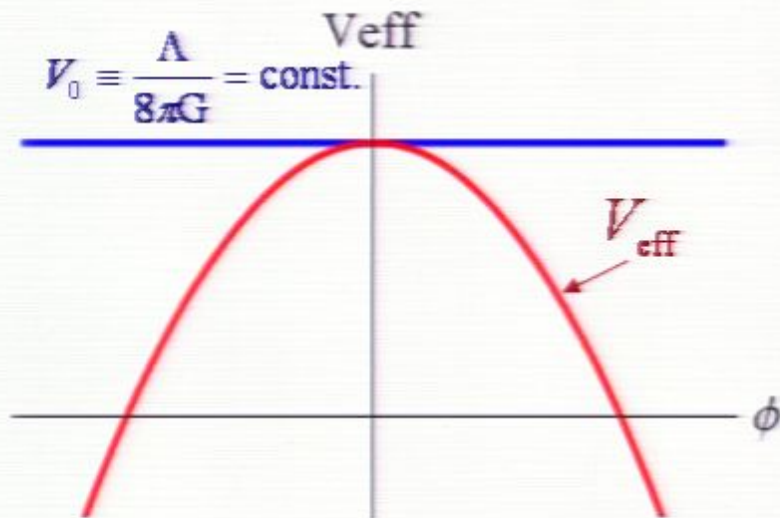
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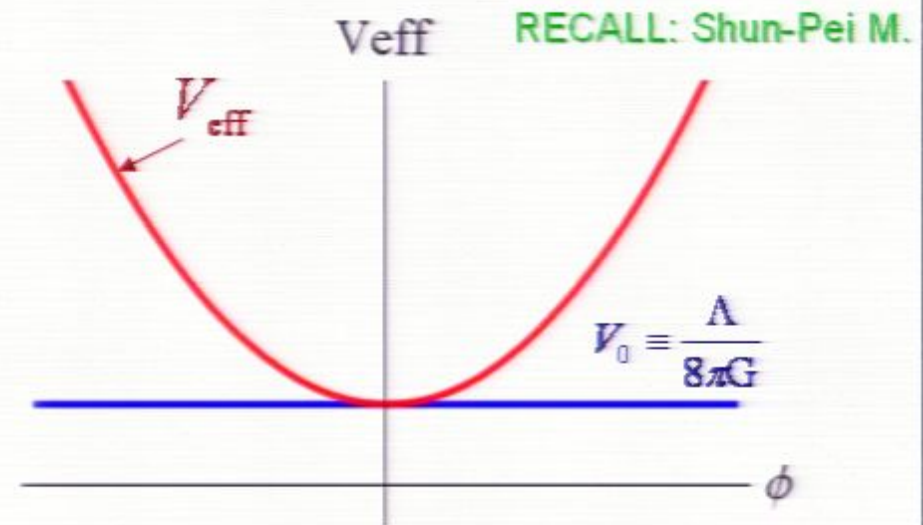
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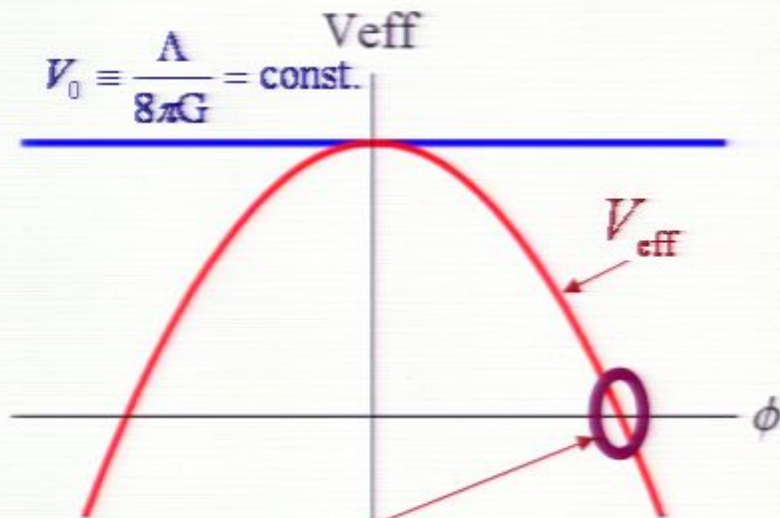
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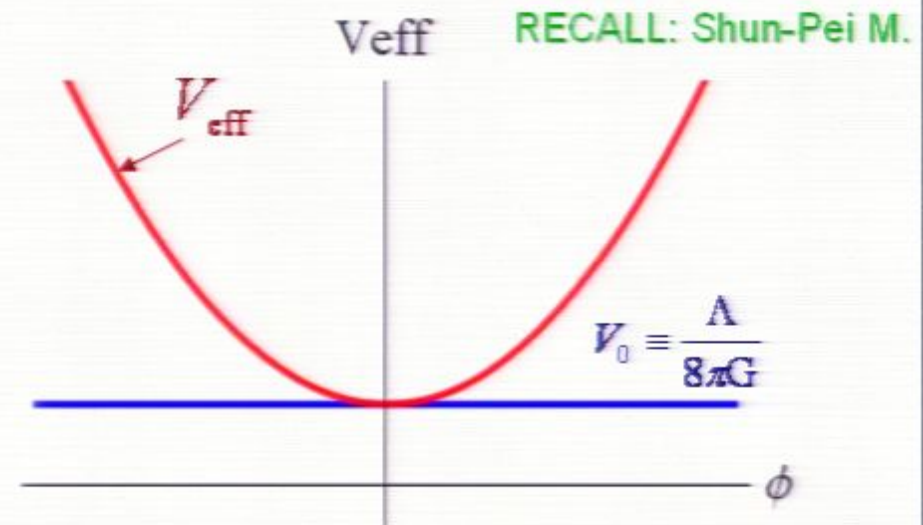
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$$\Rightarrow \varepsilon = -\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} = \frac{3}{2}(1 + w_b) = \text{const.}, \quad w_b = \frac{p_b}{\rho_b}$$

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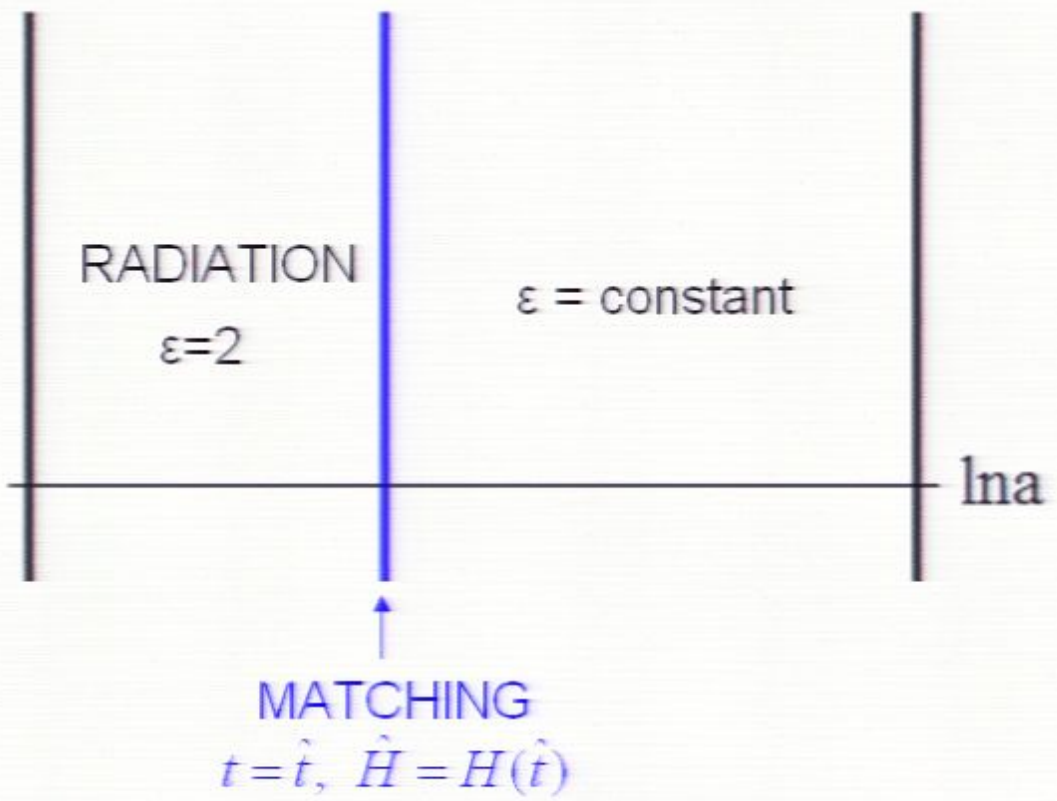
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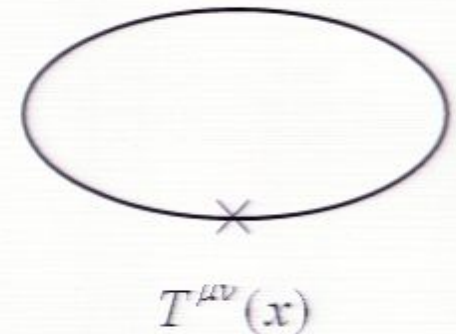
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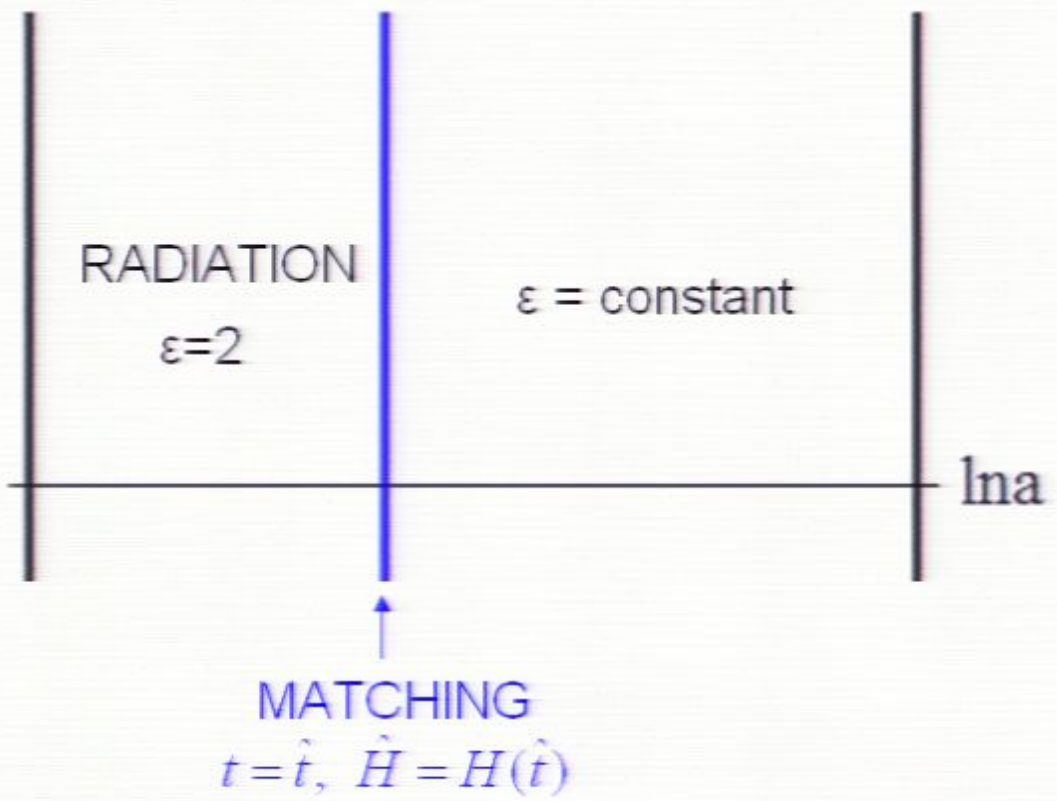
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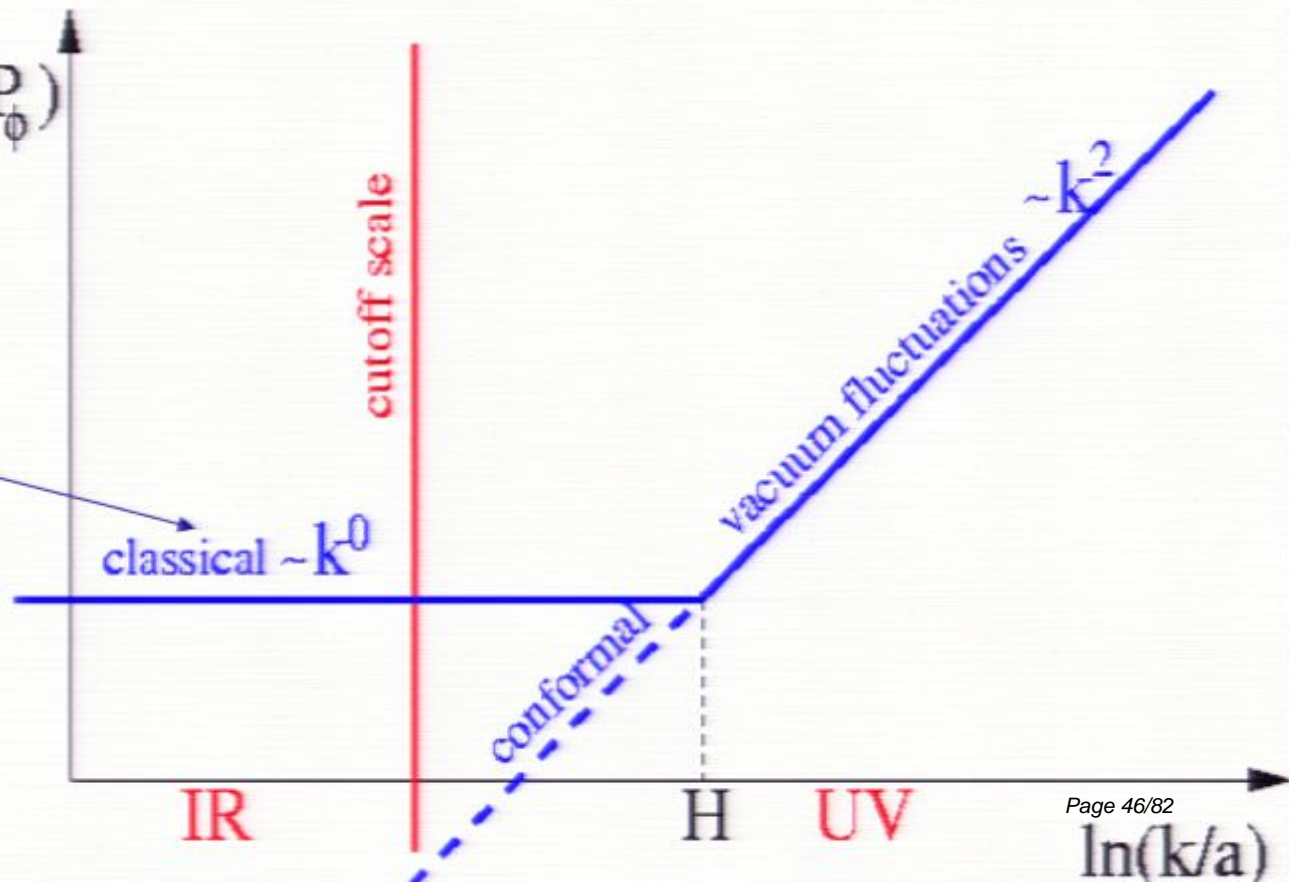
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Source of scalar cosmological perturbations

- IR log SINGULAR
- UV quadratically SINGULAR



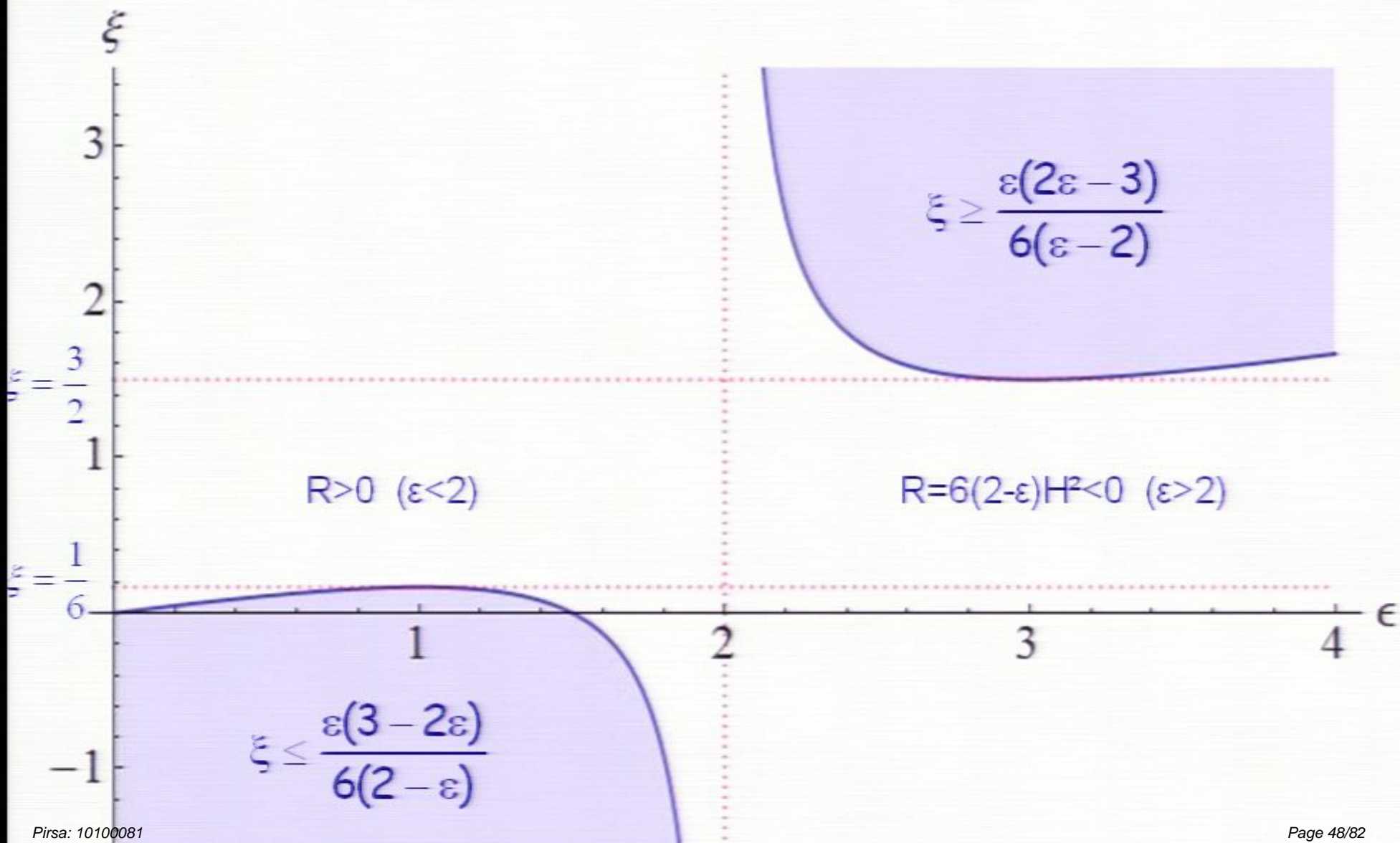
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- the IR singularity of a coincident propagator:

$$\langle 0 | \varphi(x)^2 | 0 \rangle_{IR} = \int_{k_{\min}}^{k_{\max}} \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} |\varphi_k|^2 \propto \int_{k_{\min}}^{k_{\max}} \frac{dk}{k} k^{D-1-2\nu} \quad \nu^2|_{D=4} = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{(1-6\xi)(2-\varepsilon)}{(1-\varepsilon)^2}$$

- BD vacuum is IR singular (in D=4) for $0 \leq \varepsilon \leq 3/2$, when $\xi=0$
 \Rightarrow large quantum backreaction expected
- When $\xi \neq 0$ the coincident propagator is IR singular in the shaded regions:

SCALAR THEORY: IR OF BD VACUUM ²⁰



QUANTUM & CLASSICAL ENERGY SCALING

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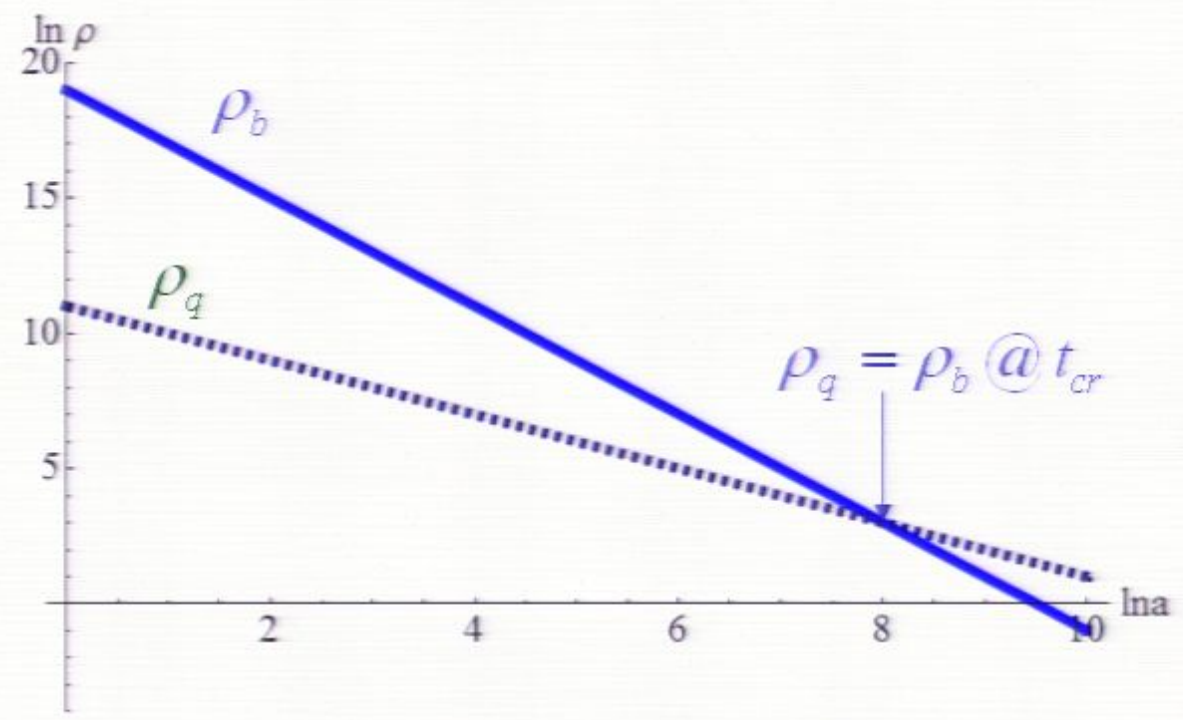
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IF : $w_q < w_b$

$$\Rightarrow \rho_q \sim \rho_b @ t_{cr} \sim \hat{t} \left(\frac{\hat{H}}{M_{Pl}} \right)^{\frac{1+w_b}{w_b - w_q}}$$

TYPICALLY: $t_{cr} \gg \hat{t}$



Q: What is the self-consistent evolution for $t > t_{cr}$, when $\rho_q \geq \rho_b$?

Q2: Can ρ_q play the role of dark energy ?

◆ AFTER A LOT OF WORK ..

we obtain ρ_q & p_q , i.e. how they scale with scale factor a

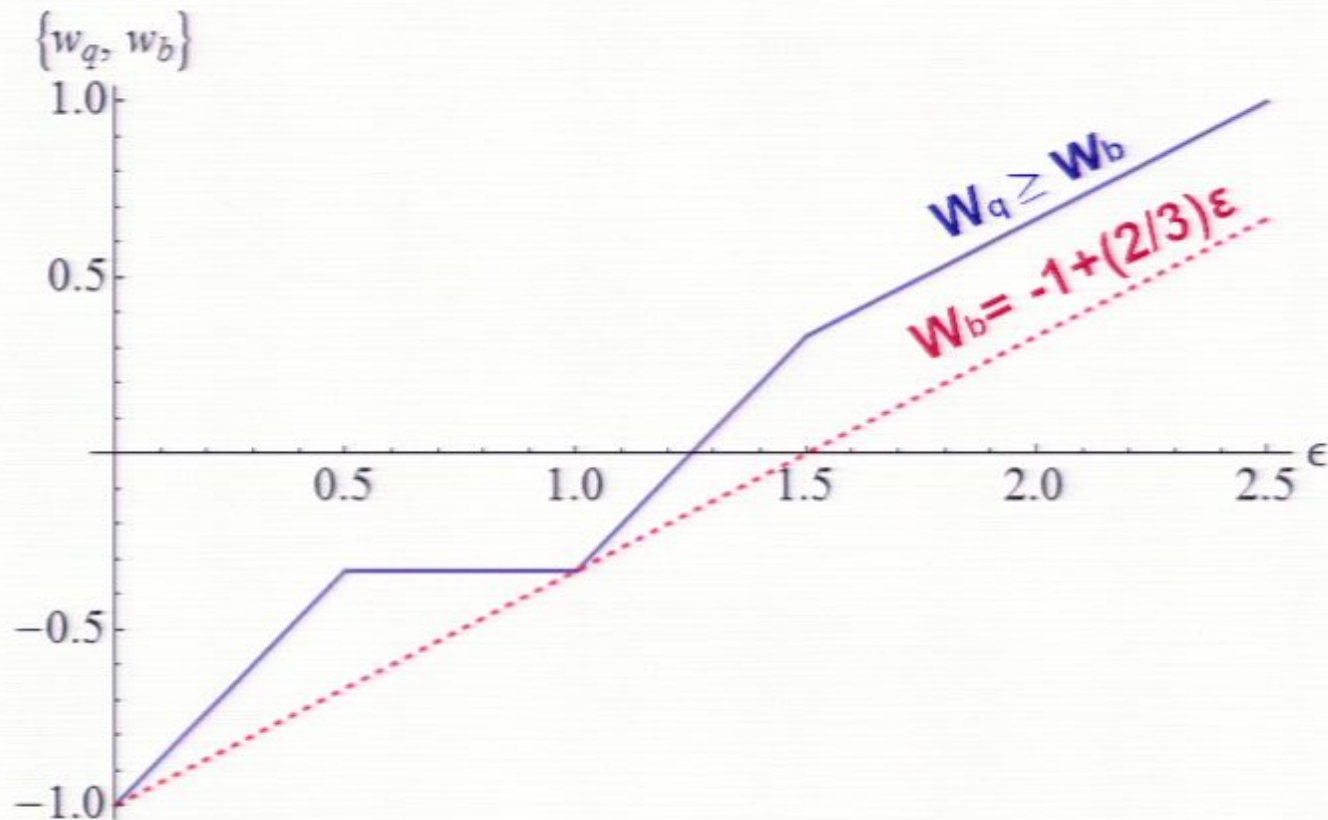
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$$\zeta = \frac{(aH)_{\text{match}}}{aH}, \quad c_v = \text{undetermined constant}$$

CLASSICAL vs. QUANTUM DYNAMICS

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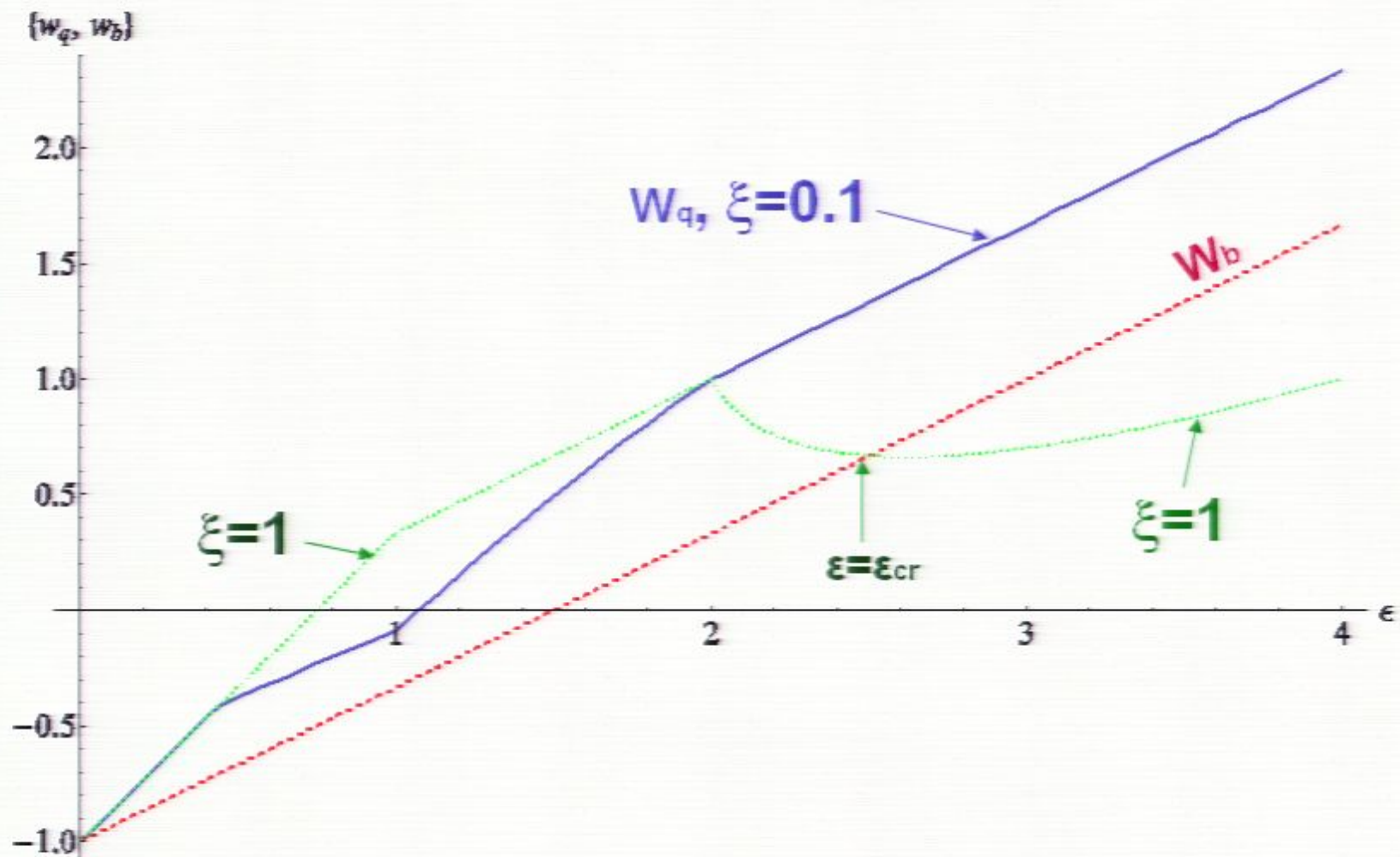
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• for $\epsilon > 1$ we expect the $\xi=0$ scaling: $w = -\frac{1}{3} + \frac{4}{3}(\epsilon-1)$ ($1 < \epsilon < 2$), $w = 1 + \frac{2}{3}(\epsilon-2)$ ($\epsilon > 2$)

SCALAR QUANTUM EOS PARAMETER : $\xi > 0$

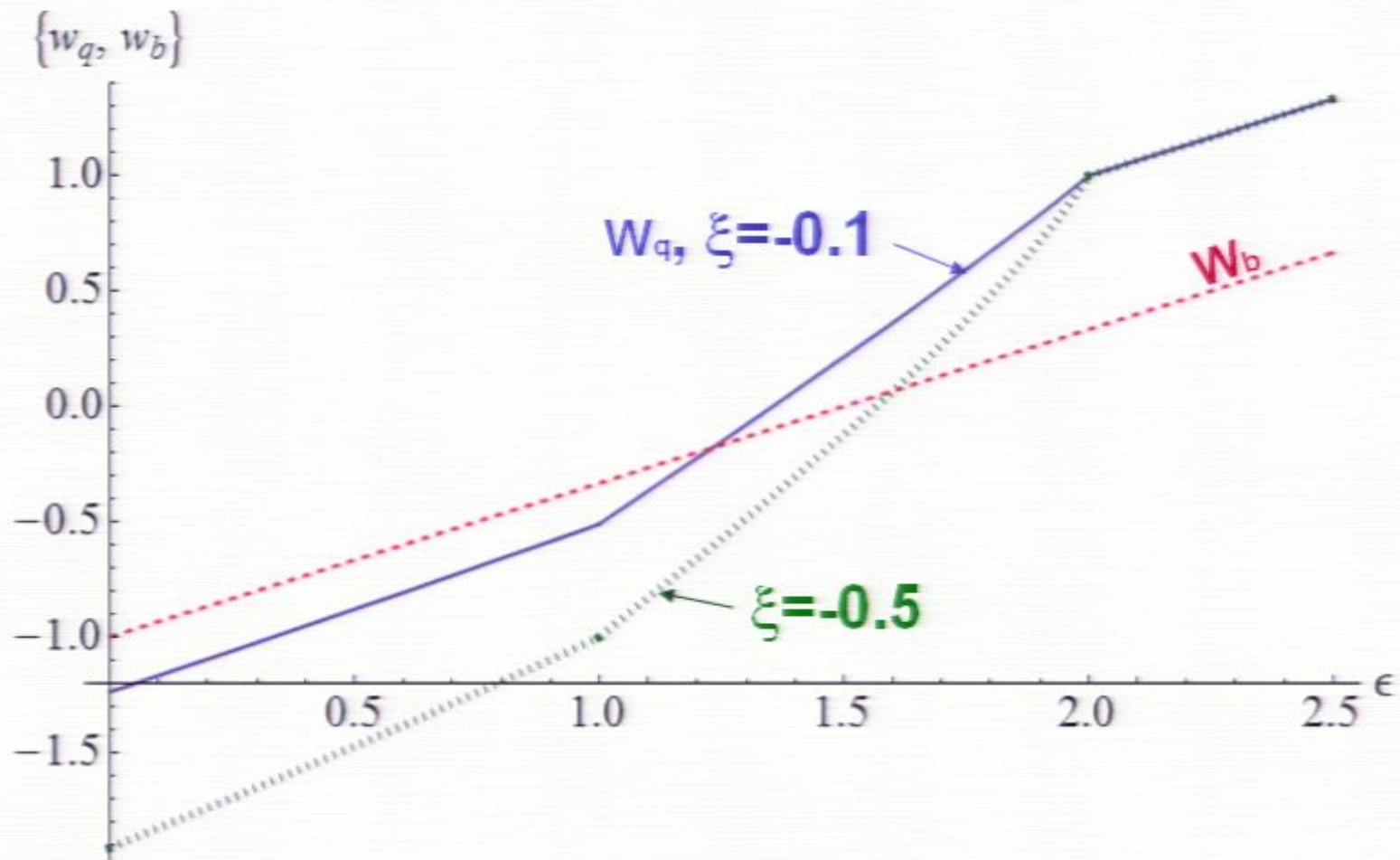
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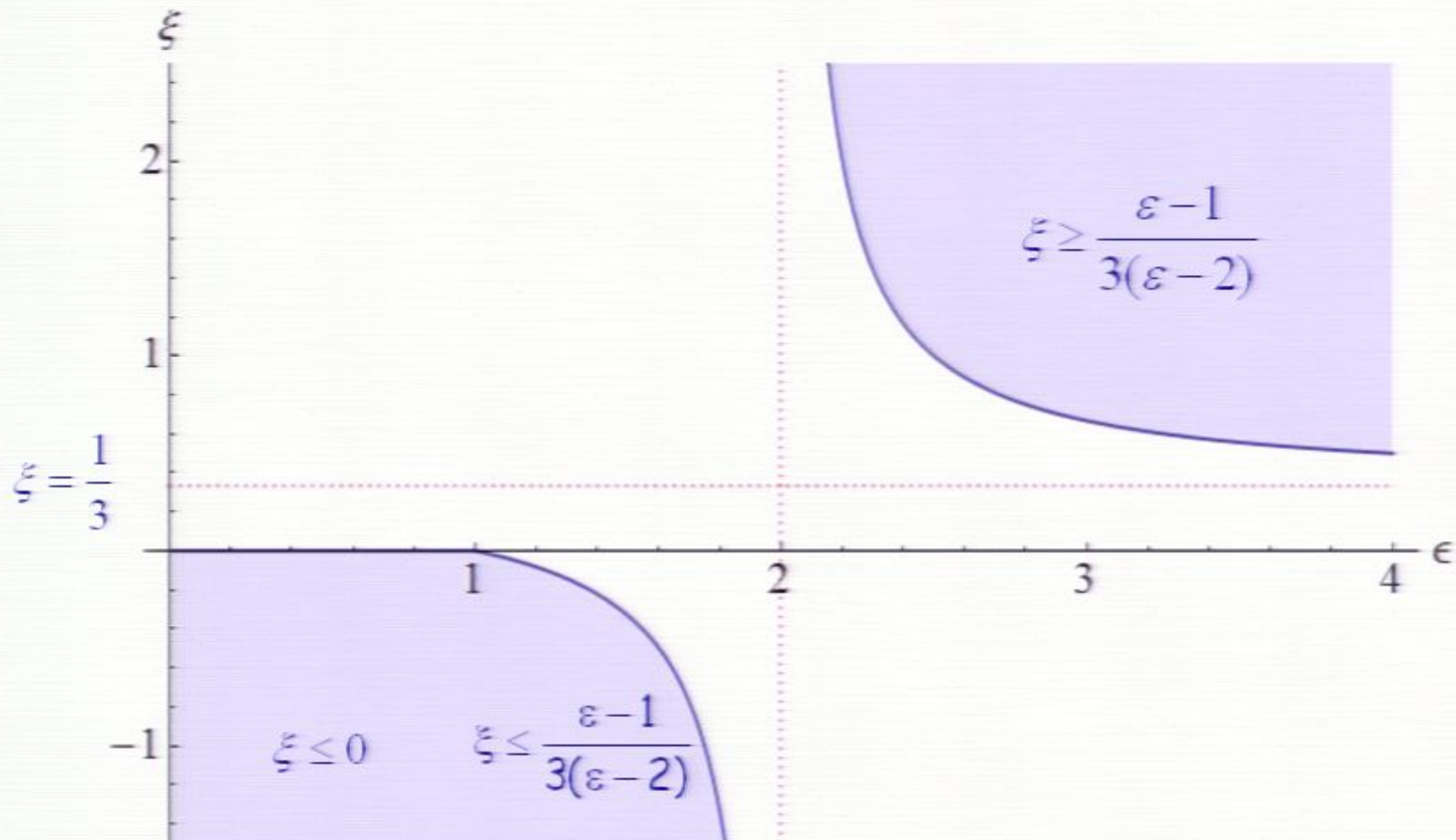
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CAN QUANTUM FLUCTUATIONS BE DARK ENERGY?

▣ **SIMPLE ESTIMATE: IMAGINE** that quantum fluctuations generated at matter-radiation equality ($z \sim 3200$) are responsible for **dark energy**

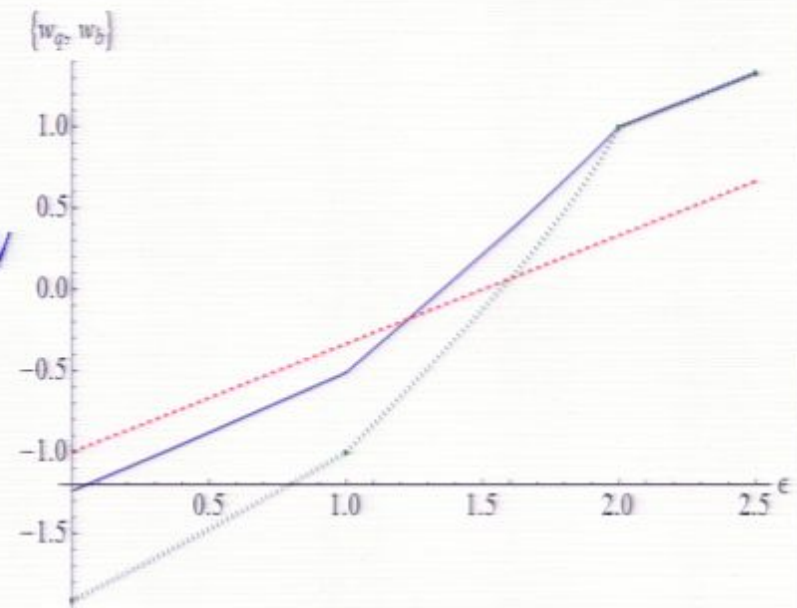
$$\xi \sim -280, \quad \nu \sim 58, \quad w_q \sim -28$$

→ Ups! It does not work! A much earlier transition is needed!

→ But, from:
$$t_{cr} \sim \hat{t} \left(\frac{\hat{H}}{M_{Pl}} \right)^{\frac{1+w_b}{w_b-w_q}}$$

we have learned that typically a large time delay occurs between the transition and $\rho_q \sim \rho_b$

- **NB:** It does not work for radiation $\epsilon=2$



Q: What is the self-consistent evolution for $t > t_{cr}$, when $\rho_q \geq \rho_b$?

Q2: Can ρ_q play the role of **dark energy** ?

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GRAVITONS

Graviton: lagrangian to second order in $h_{\mu\nu}$

▶ **PERTURBATIONS** $\hat{g}_{\mu\nu}(x) = \underbrace{g_{\mu\nu}(\eta)}_{a^2 \eta_{\mu\nu}} + \underbrace{\delta g_{\mu\nu}}_{a^2 \sqrt{\kappa} \psi_{\mu\nu}}, \quad \kappa = 16\pi G_N, \quad \hat{\phi}(x) = \Phi(\eta) + \delta\phi(x)$

▶ GRAVITON-SCALAR MIXING

$$L^{(2)} \subset -a^{D-2} \psi_{00} \sqrt{\kappa} \Phi' \phi - \frac{1}{2} a^{D-2} \sqrt{\kappa} \eta^{\mu\nu} \psi_{\mu\nu} \underbrace{\left[\Phi'' + (D-2)aH\Phi' + a^2 \partial_\phi V(\Phi) \right]}_{=0 \text{ on shell}}$$

- lagrangian must be diagonalized w.r.t. the scalar fields ψ_{00} & ϕ

▶ GAUGE: graviton propagator in exact gauge is not known.

We added a gauge fixing term (Woodard, Tsamis):

$$L_{GF} = -\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu} F_\mu F_\nu, \quad F_\mu = a^2 \nabla_\sigma \left(\psi_\mu^\sigma - \frac{1}{2} \delta_\mu^\sigma g^{\lambda\zeta} \psi_{\lambda\zeta} \right) - \phi \Phi' \sqrt{\kappa} \delta_\mu^0$$

- upon a suitable rotation tensor, vector and 2 scalar fields decouple on shell

GRAVITON PROPAGATOR IN FLRW SPACES

Janssen & Prokopec 2009

• **EOM (symbolic)** $D \cdot i\Delta = i\delta^D$

▶ **VECTOR DOFs:** $D_{\text{vector}}^{ij} = -D_1 \delta^{ij}, \quad i \left[\Delta^l \right]_{\text{vector}} = -\delta_j^l i\Delta_1$

▶ **GHOST DOFs:** $D_{\mu\nu}^{\text{ghost}}|_{\text{on shell}} = \bar{\eta}_{\mu\nu} D_0 - \delta_\mu^0 \delta_\nu^0 D_1, \quad i \left[\Delta^\beta \right]_{\text{ghost}} = \bar{\delta}_\alpha^\beta i\Delta_0 + \delta_\alpha^0 \delta_\beta^0 i\Delta_1, \quad \bar{\eta}_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \delta_\mu^0 \delta_\nu^0$

$$D_n = \partial_\mu \sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu - \sqrt{-g} n \left(D - n - 1 - \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \varepsilon \right) (1 - \varepsilon) H^2, \quad (n=0,1,2)$$

$$D_n i\Delta_n = i\delta^D$$

• **GRAVITON PROPAGATORS**

$$i\Delta_n(x, x') = |1 - \varepsilon|^{D-2} \frac{(HH')^{\frac{D-1}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{D-1}{2} + v_{D,n}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{D-1}{2} - v_{D,n}\right)}{(4\pi)^{D/2} \Gamma(D/2)} {}_2F_1\left(\frac{D-1}{2} + v_{D,n}, \frac{D-1}{2} - v_{D,n}; \frac{D}{2}; 1 - \frac{y}{4}\right), \quad H = H_0 a^{-\varepsilon}$$

$$v_{D,n}^2 = \left(\frac{D-1}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{n \left(D - n - 1 - \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \varepsilon \right) (1 - \varepsilon) - \frac{(D-1)(D-2)}{2} \varepsilon + \frac{D(D-2)}{4} \varepsilon^2}{(1 - \varepsilon)^2},$$

DIAGONALISATION & GRAVITON SCALING

► SCALAR AND TENSOR DOFs (G=3x3 operator matrix):

$$G \cdot iM = iI\delta^D$$

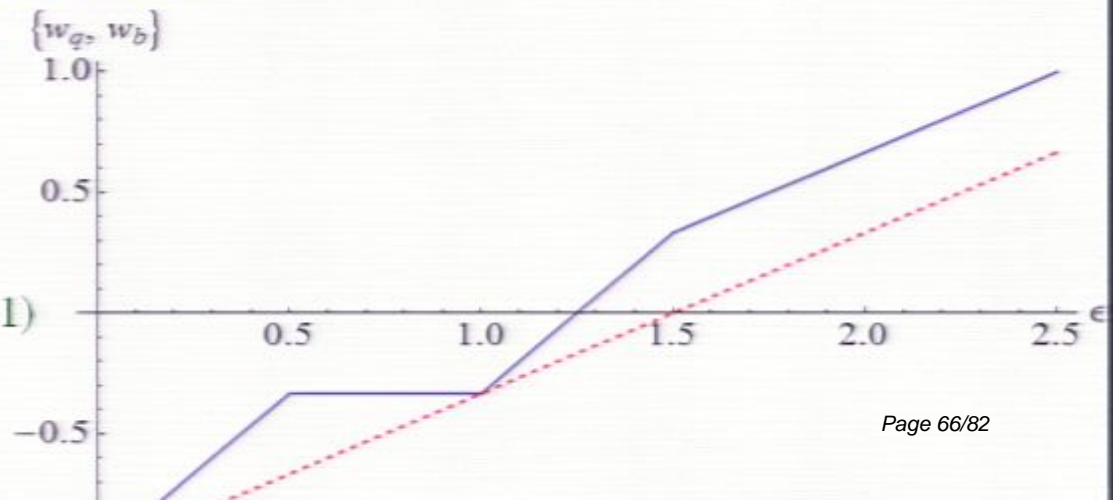
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$$\lambda = \sqrt{\frac{2(D-3)}{D-2}}, \quad \tan(2\theta) = \frac{2\sqrt{(D-3)\varepsilon}}{D-3-\varepsilon}, \quad c_\theta \equiv \cos(\theta), \quad s_\theta \equiv \sin(\theta)$$

► RESULTS (FOR ACCELERATING SPACES)

► REGULARISE IN COMOVING BOX (at initial time $R_{\text{box}}=1/H$)

$$v_q = -1 + \frac{4}{3}\varepsilon \quad (0 < \varepsilon < 1/2), \quad w_q = -\frac{1}{3} \quad (1/2 < \varepsilon < 1)$$



NEED TO GO BEYOND SUDDEN MATCHING

- ▶ **SUDDEN MATCHING REQUIRES AN ADDITIONAL C.T.**
 - + INFINITE RADIATION ENERGY AT MATCHING (removed by a c.t.)
 - + A MILD [$\log(\eta)$] DIVERGENCE AT THE MATCHING:
- NOT SATISFACTORY

- ▶ **HENCE: NEED FOR SMOOTH MATCHING. ADVANTAGES:**
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 - IR FULLY FINITE BEFORE AND DURING INFLATION

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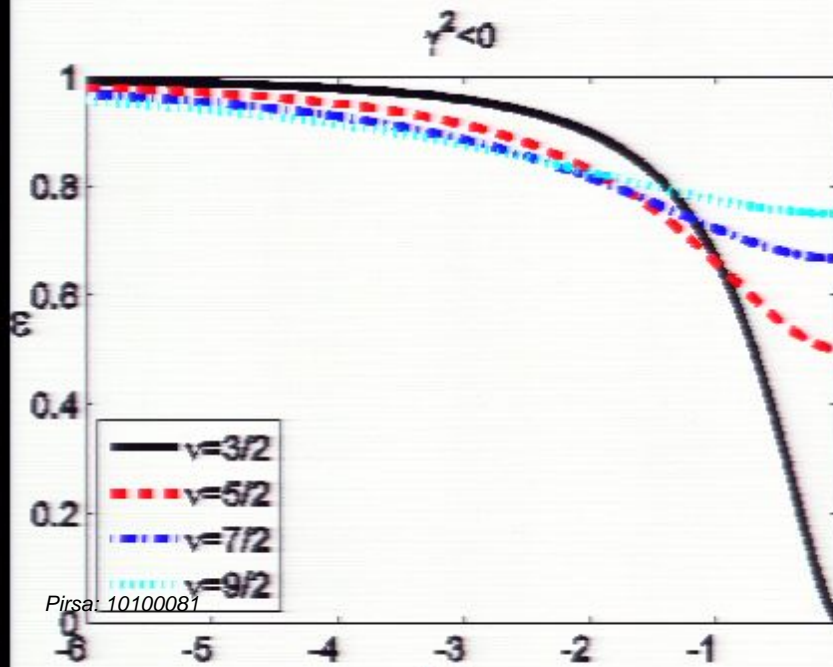
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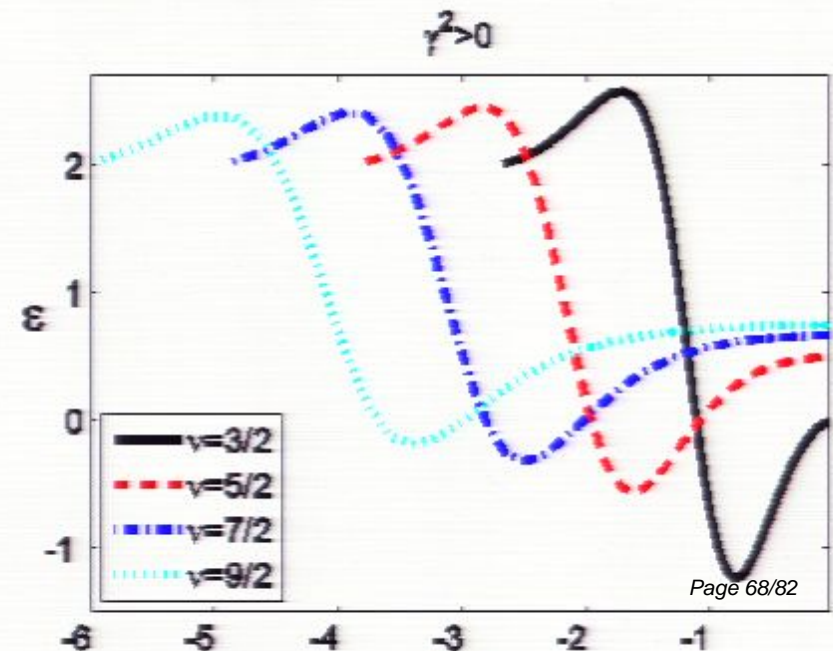
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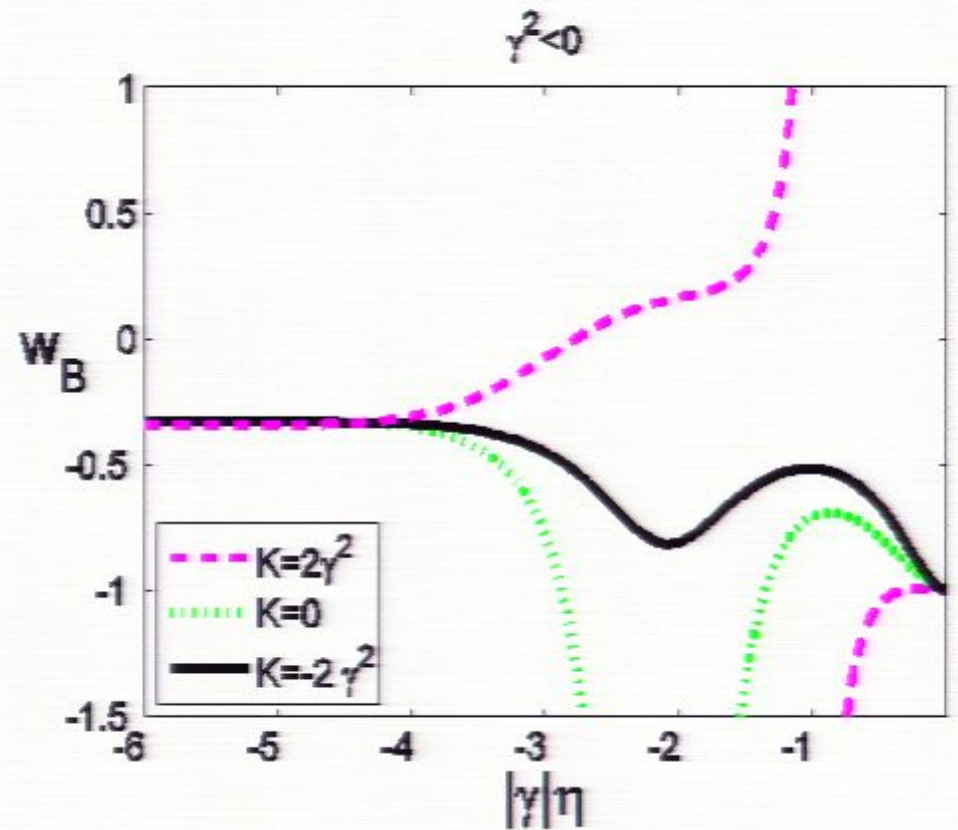
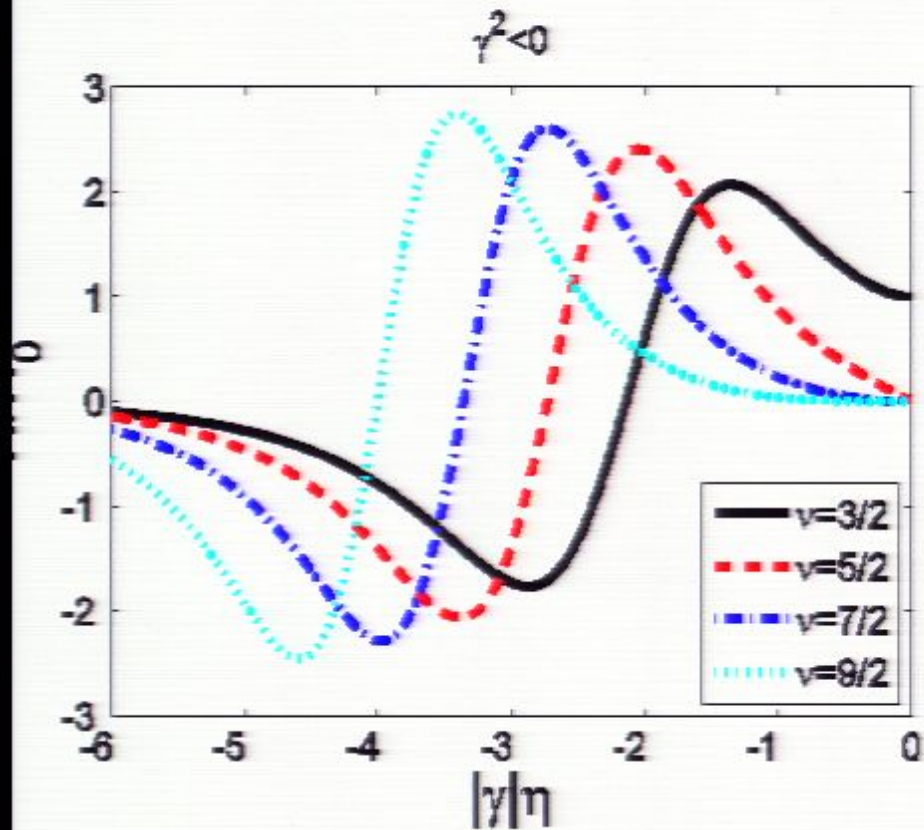
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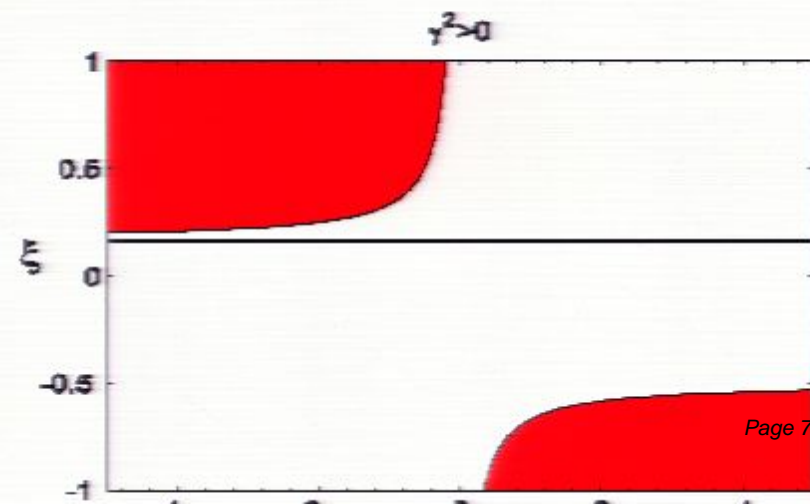
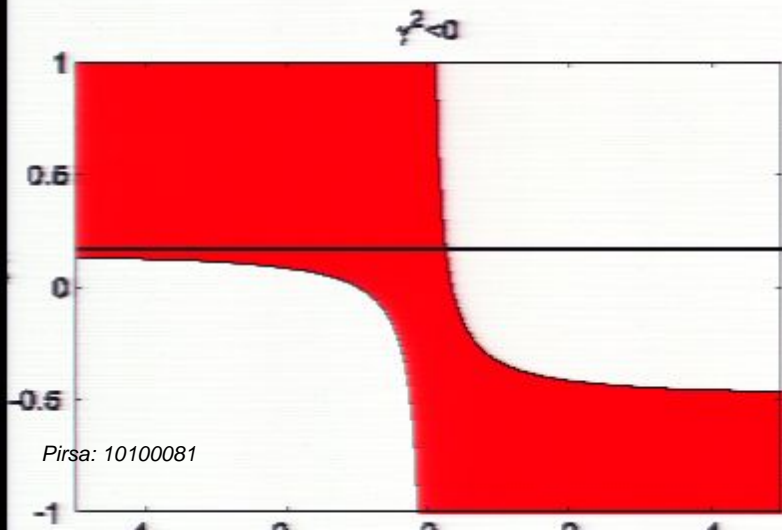
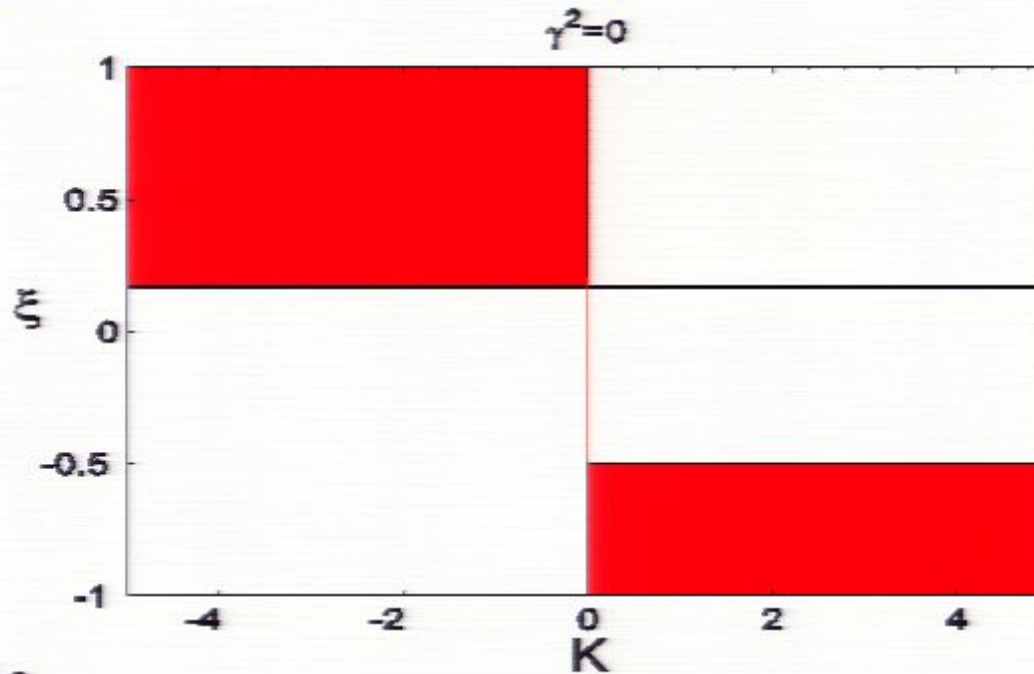
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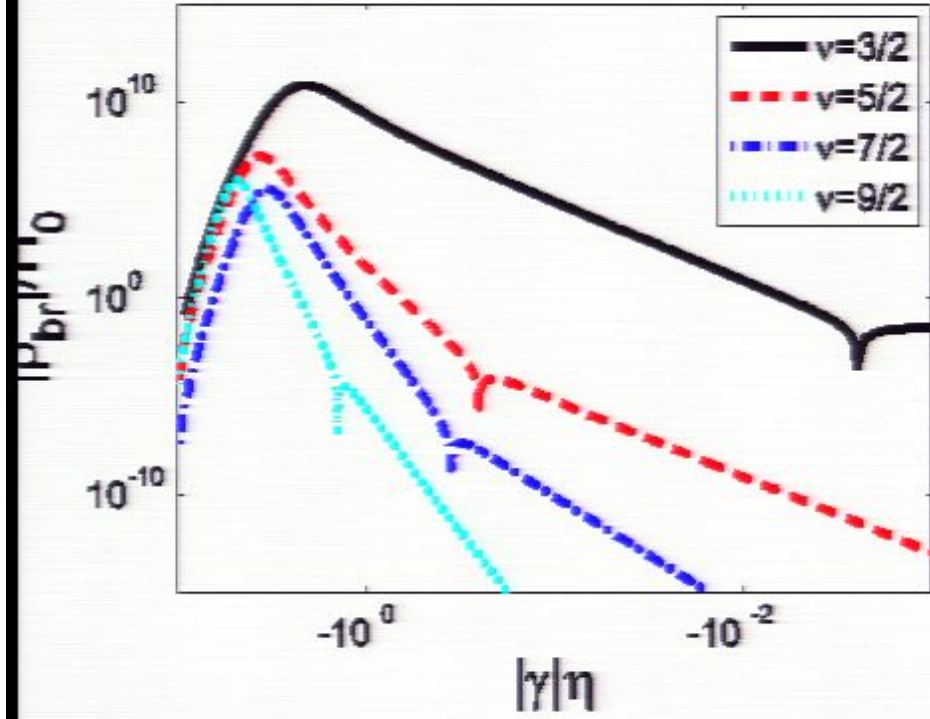
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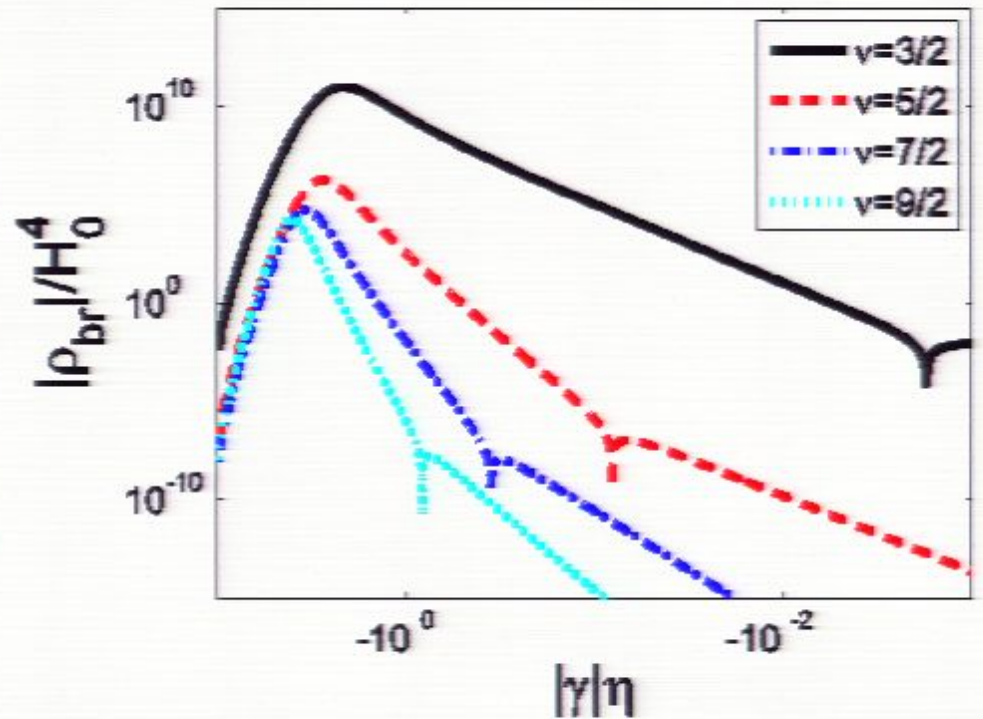
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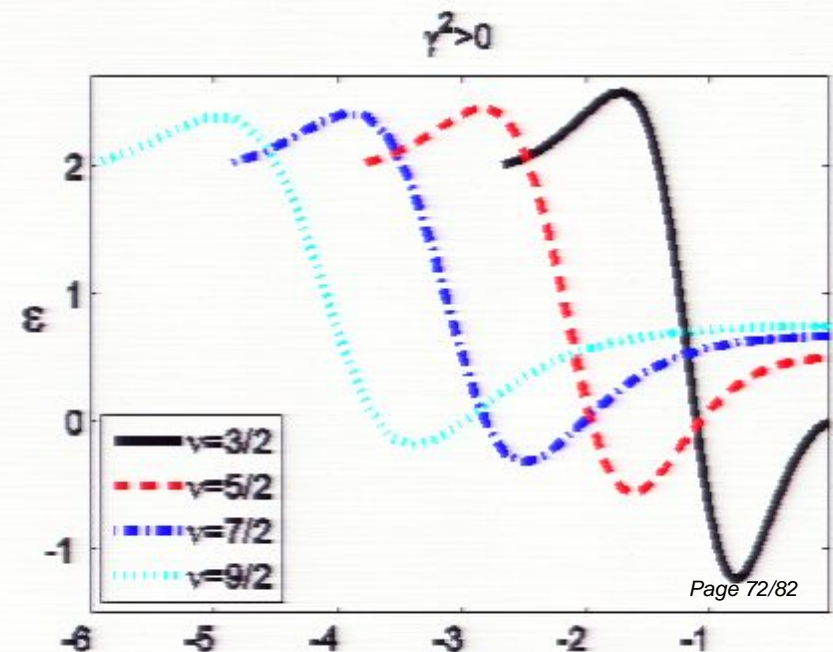
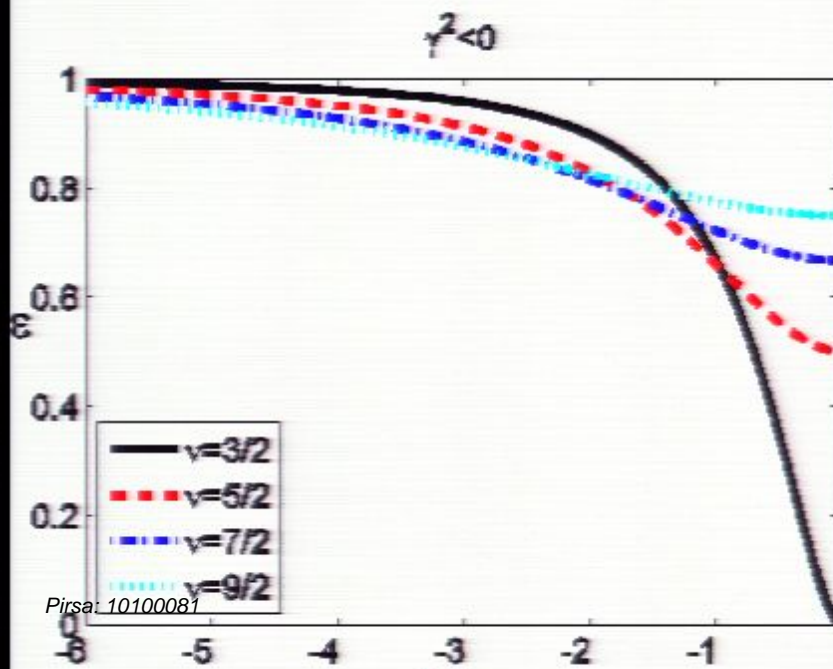
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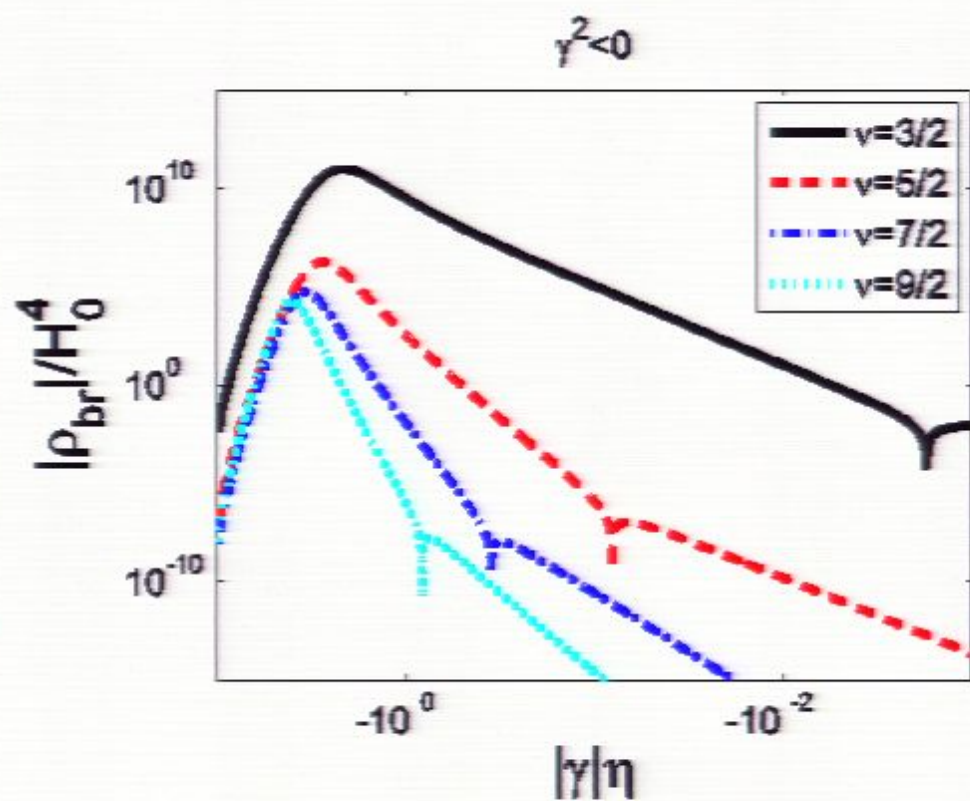
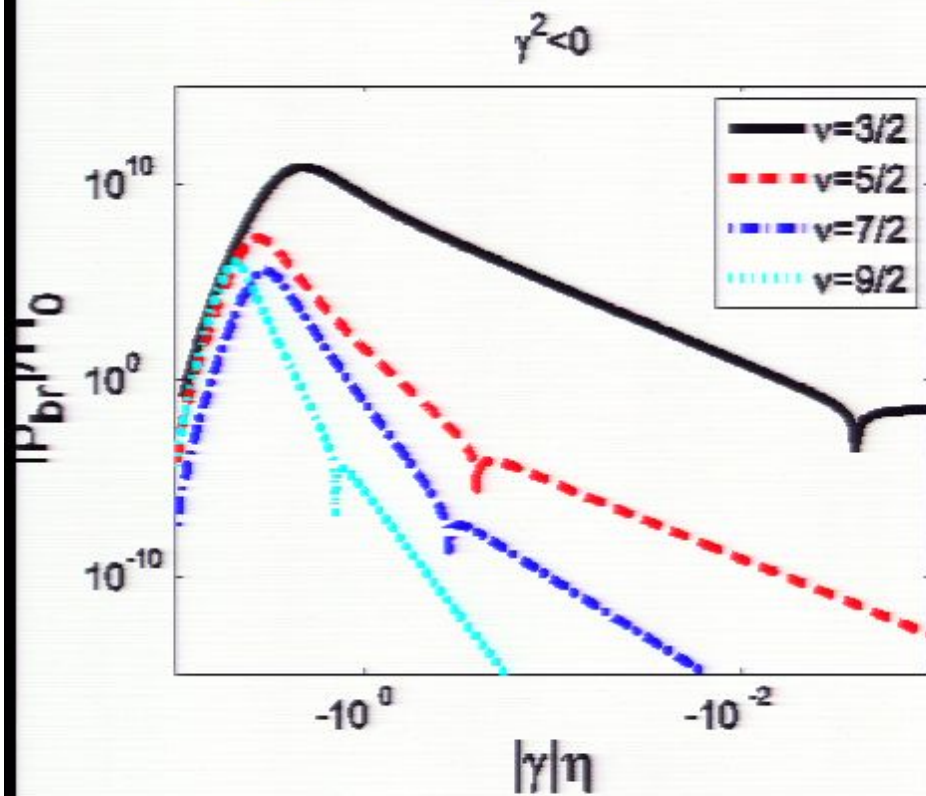
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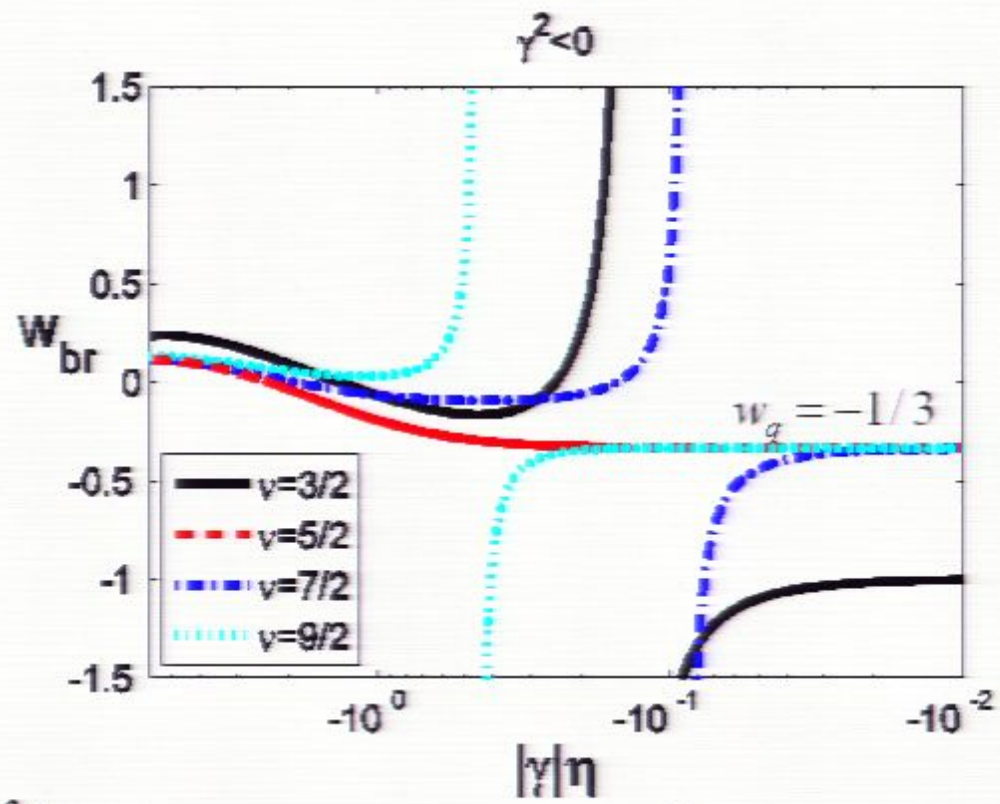
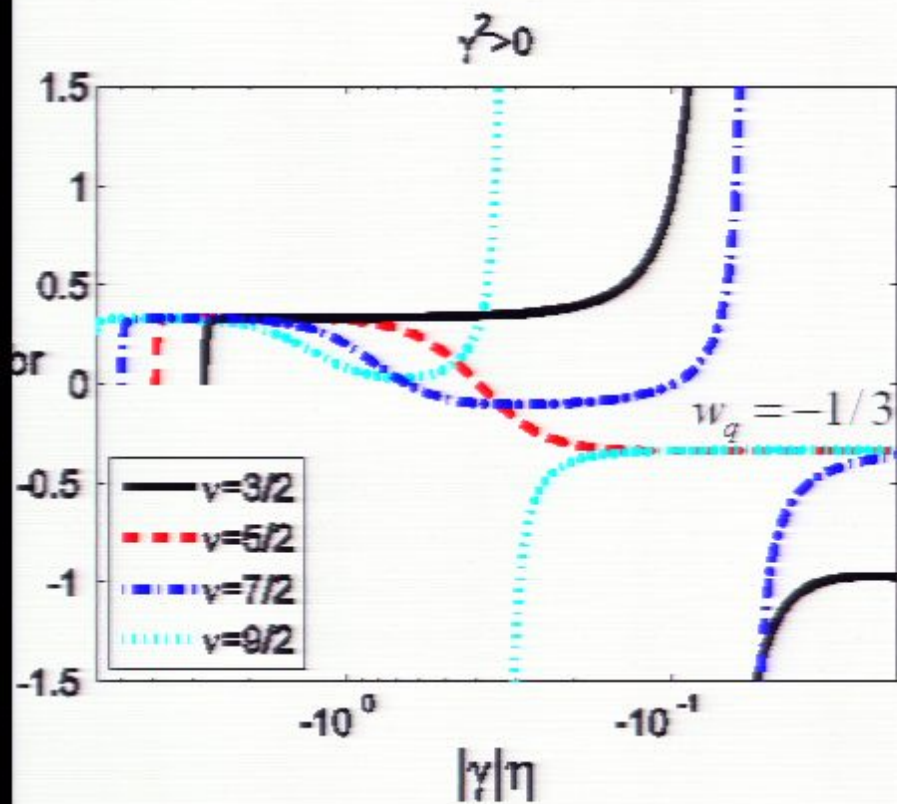


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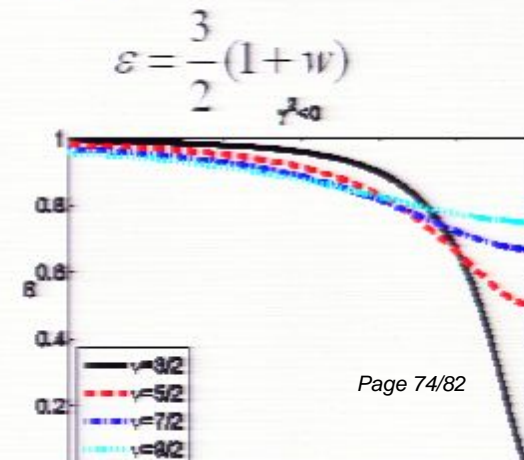
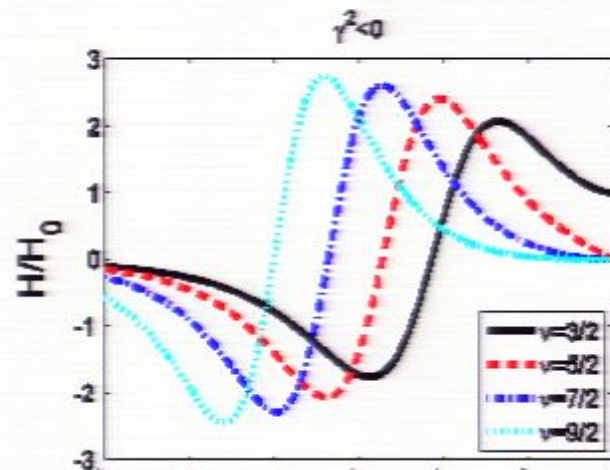
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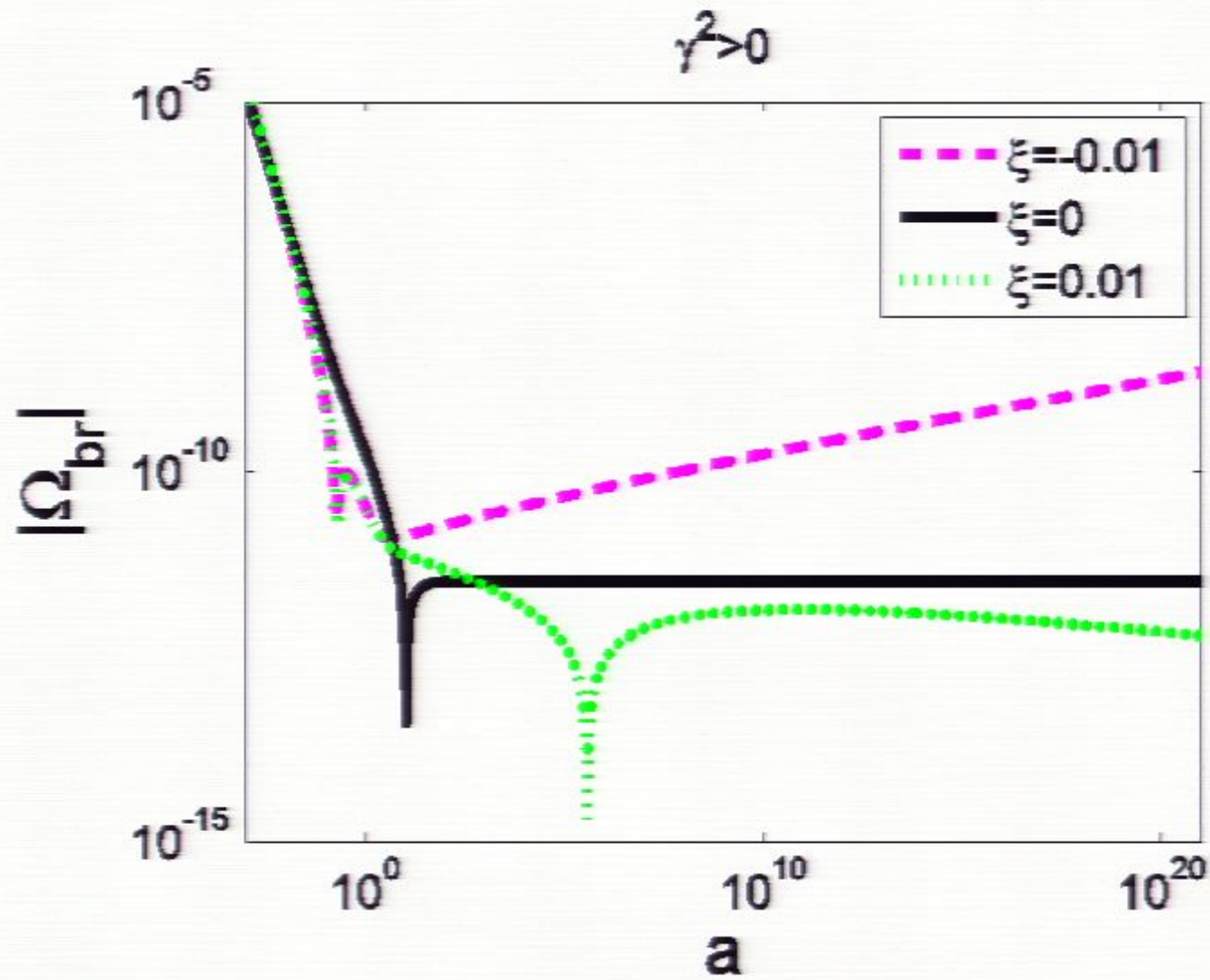
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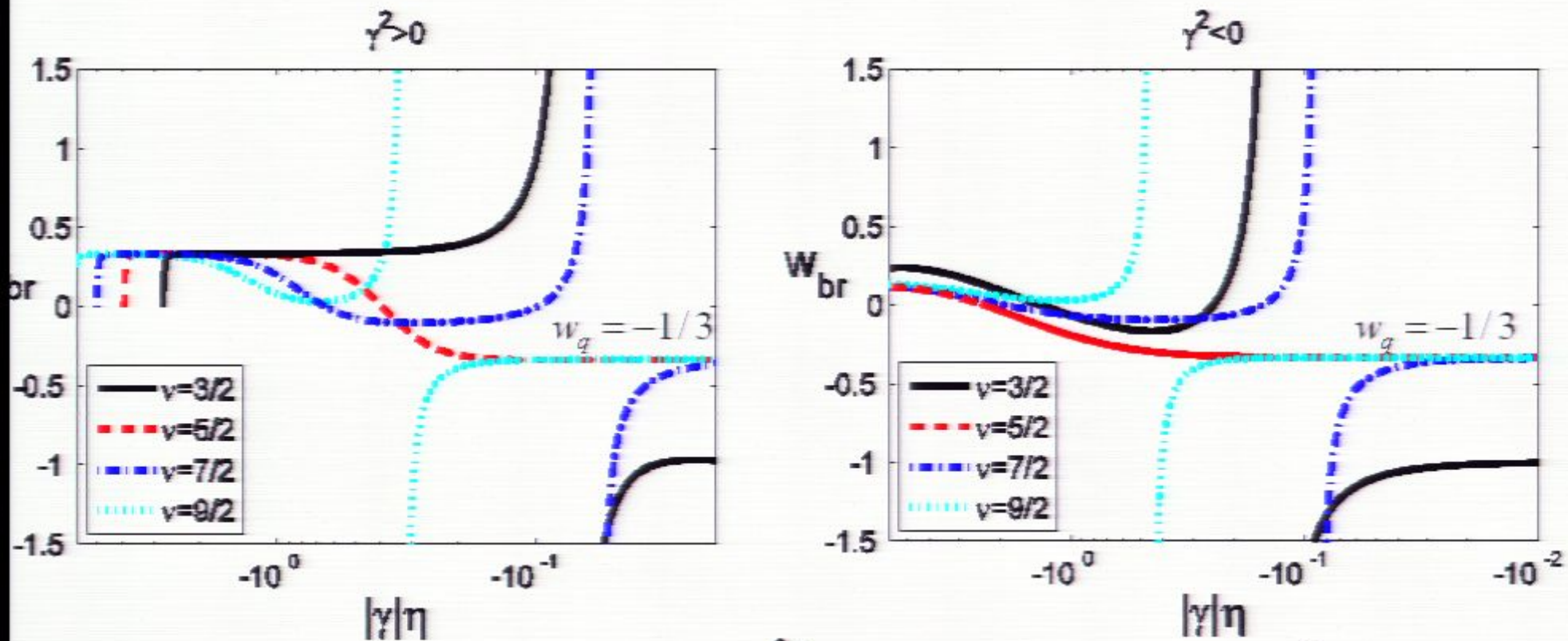


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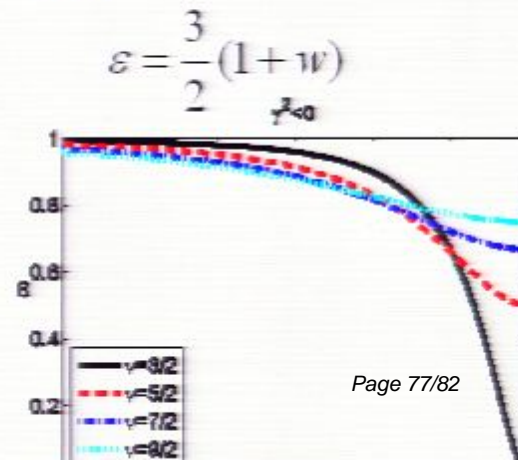
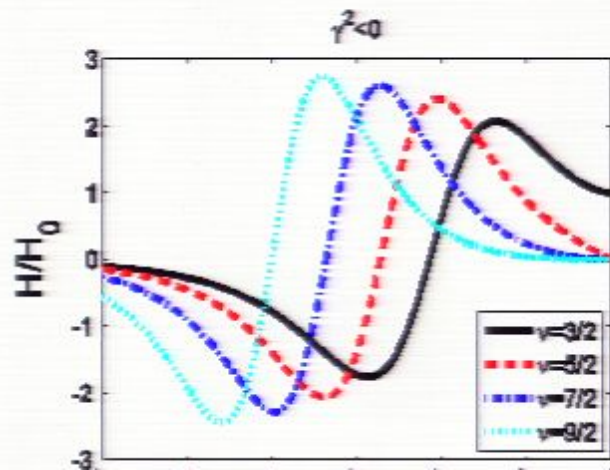
CONCLUSIONS, Part III

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 - (a) $\xi < 0$ [non-minimal coupling]
 - (b) $\varepsilon < 0$ [superinflation]
- Growth is powerlaw (not logarithmic) [similar as DRG].
- One would like to include gravitational fluctuations, 2 loops, etc.

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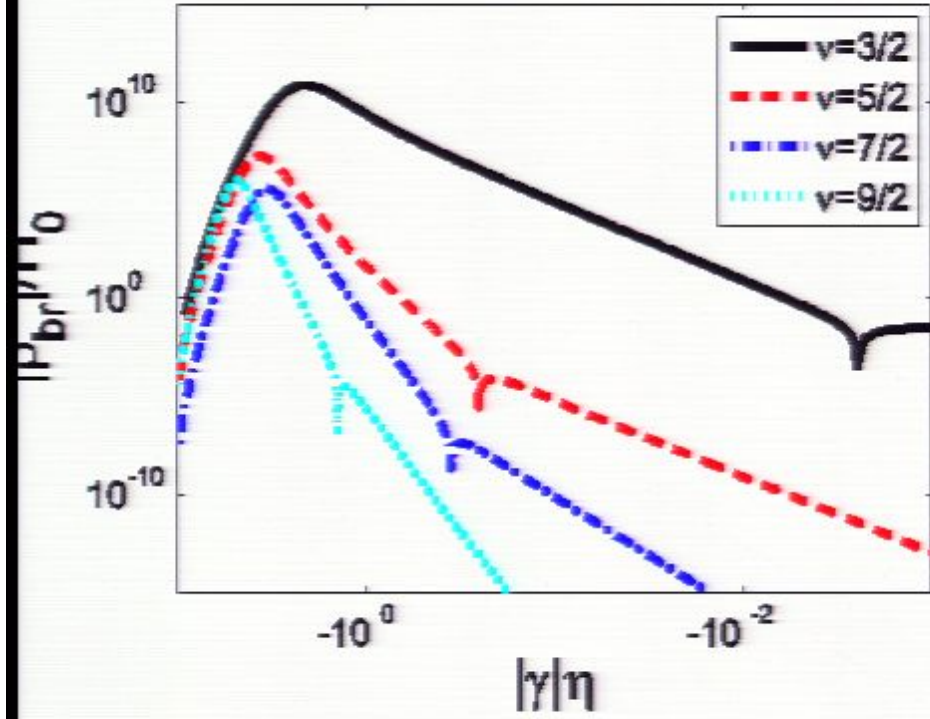
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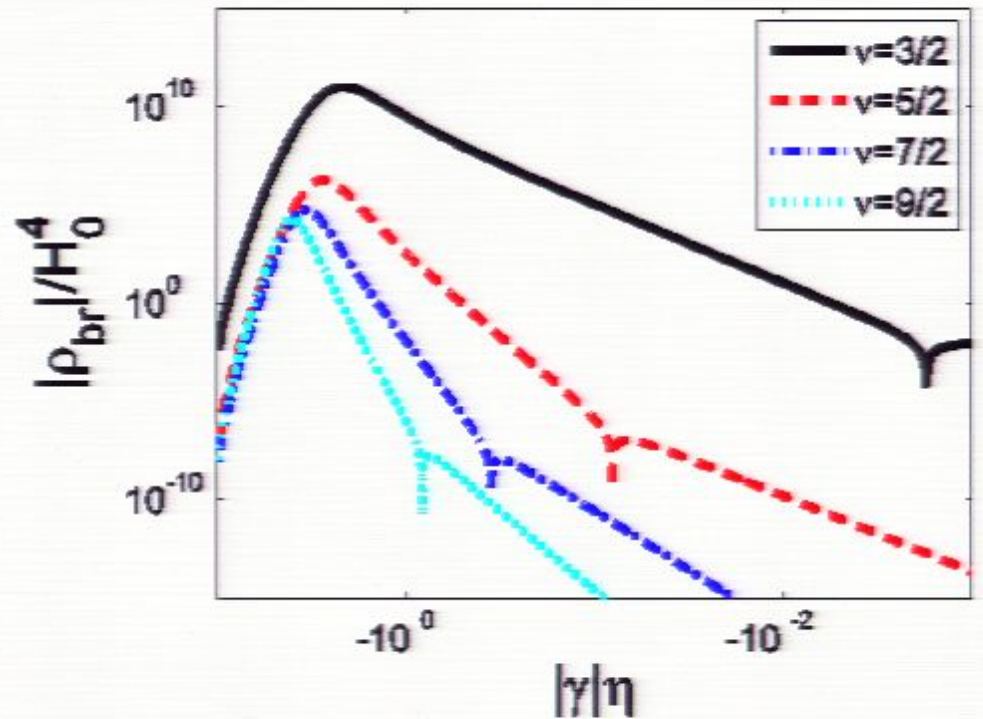
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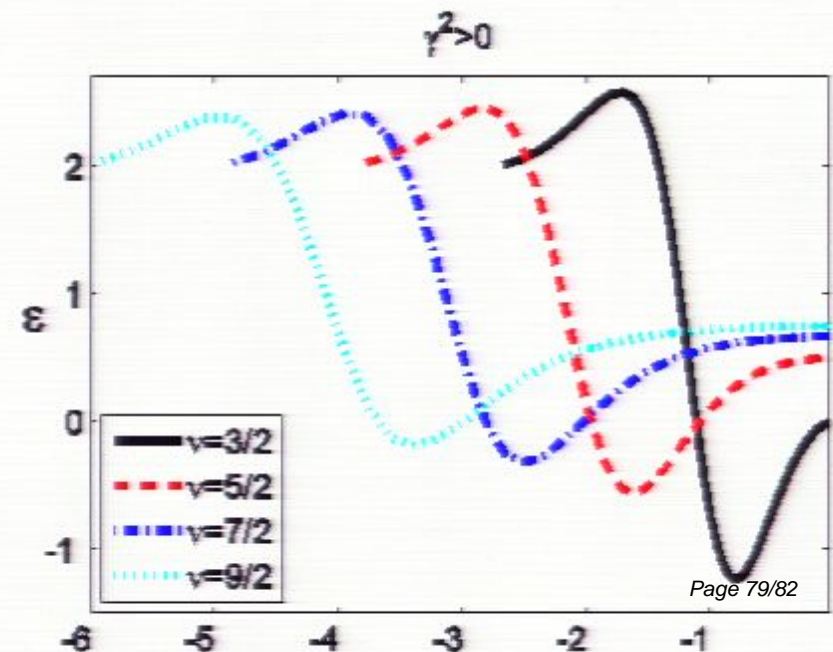
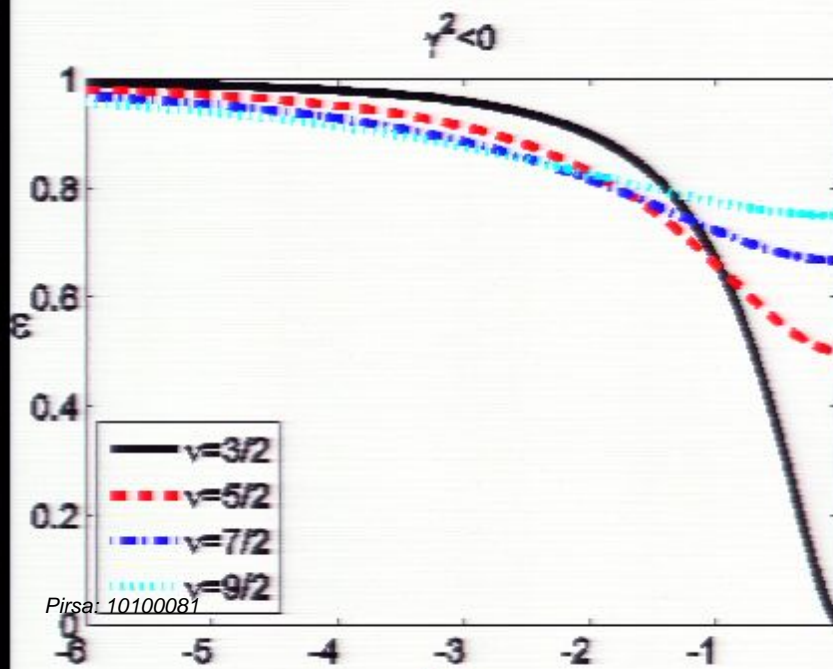
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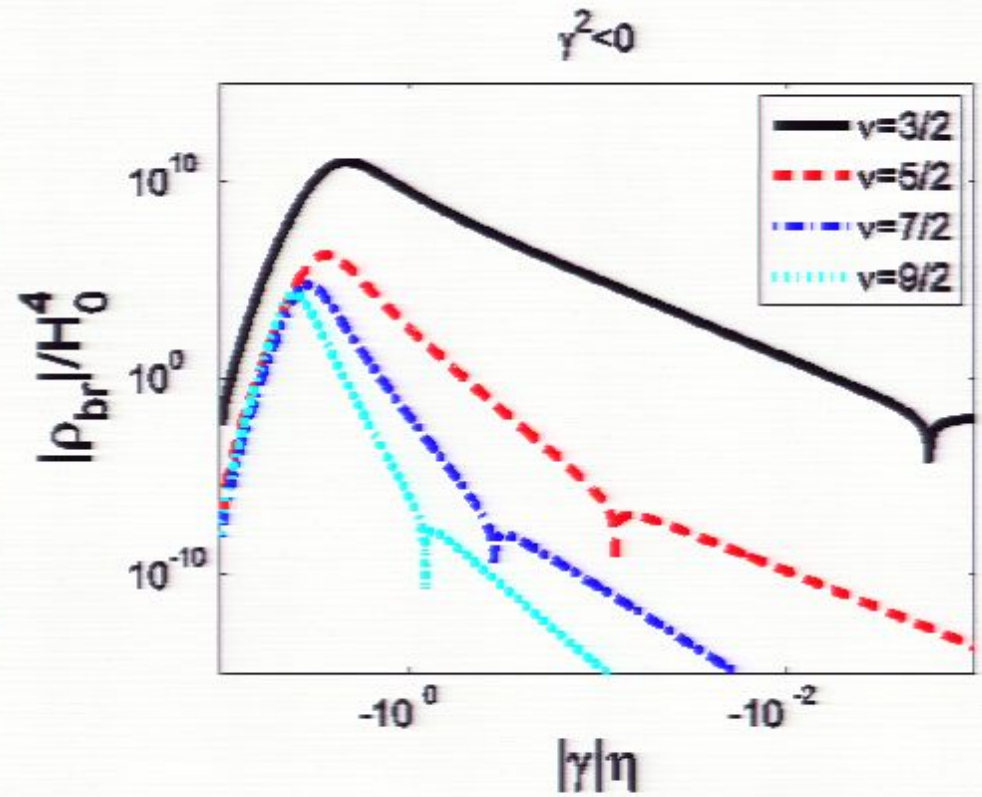
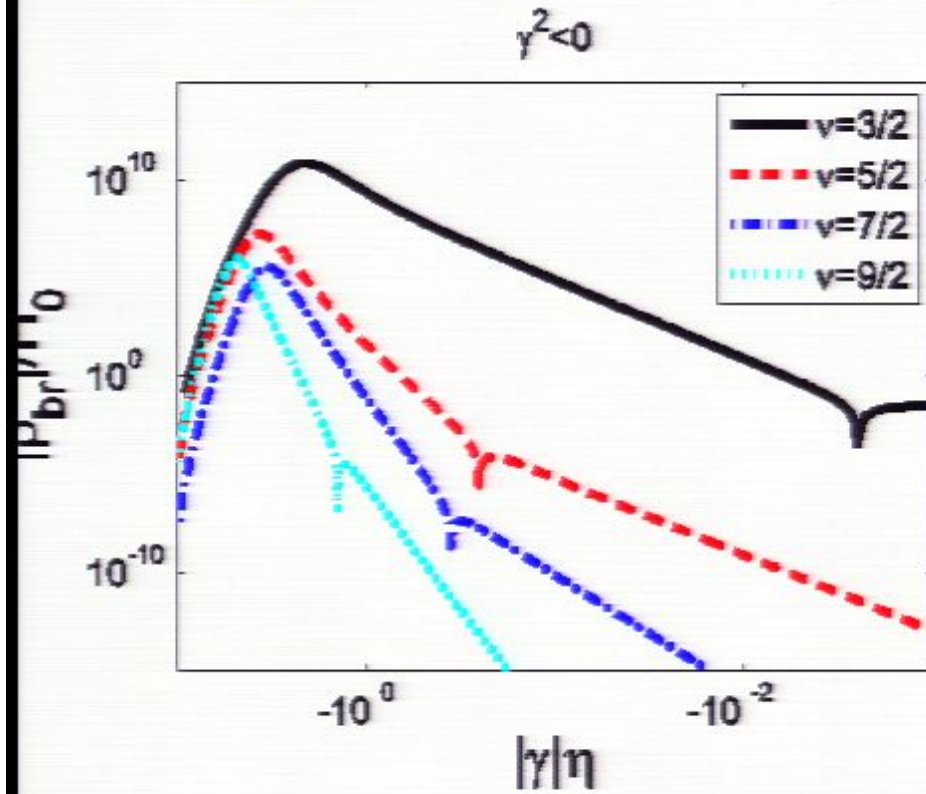
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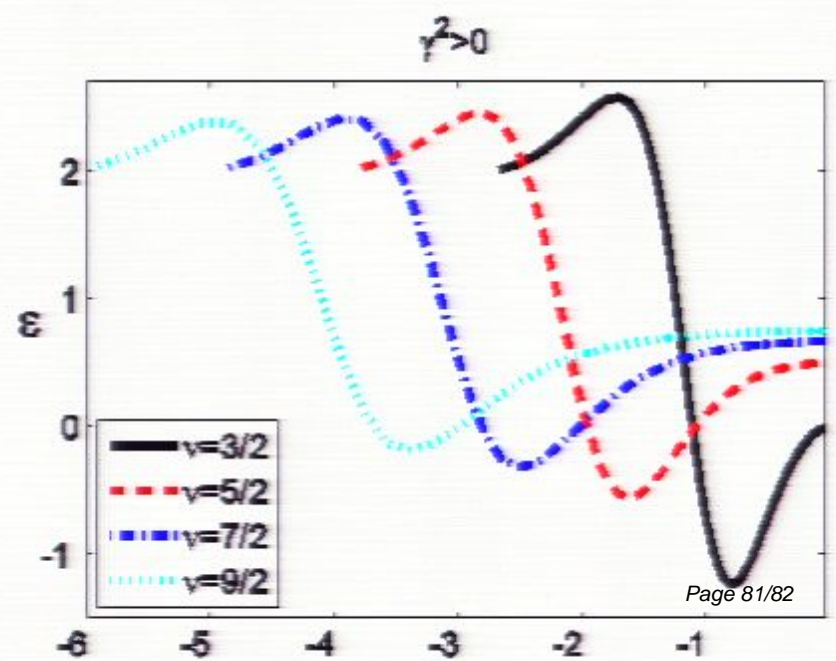
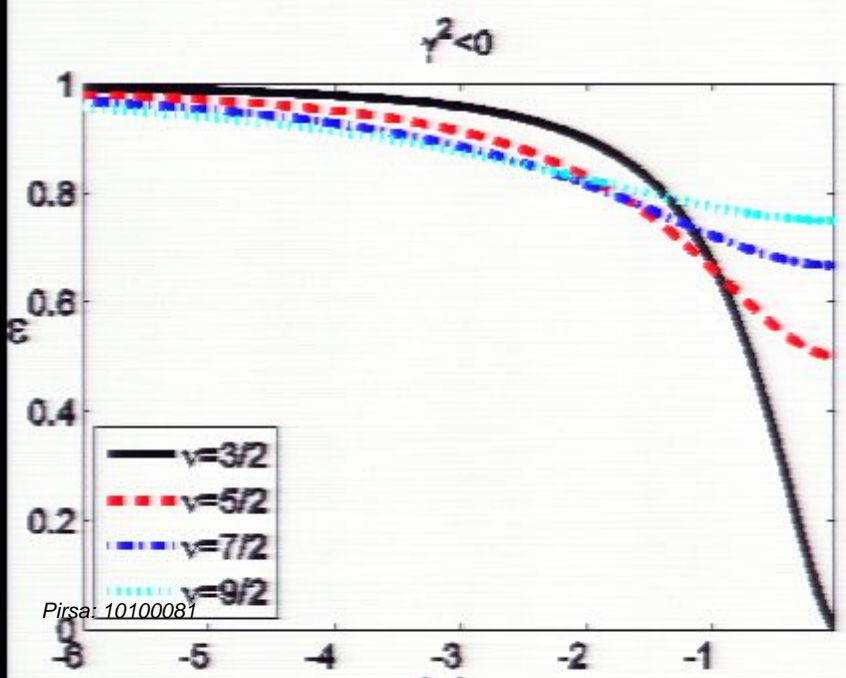
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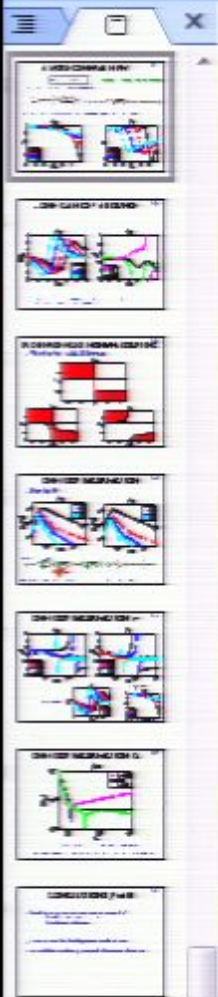
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► **EVOLUTION** (starts at a finite time): ϵ evolves from 1 or 2 to.. $\epsilon \geq 0$:





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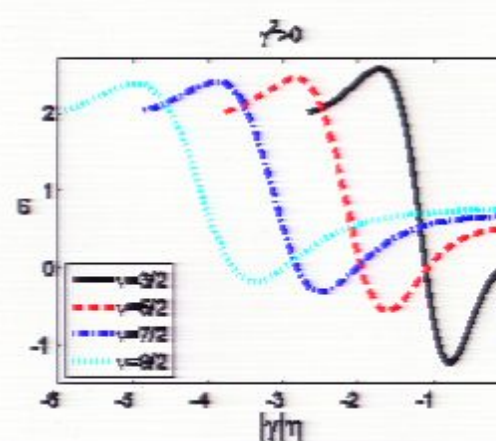
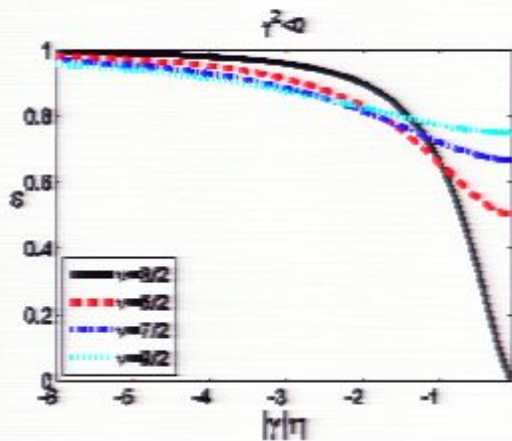
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SCALE FACTOR (γ, v const.)

$$\frac{a''}{a} = -(1 - 6\epsilon) \left[\gamma^2 + \frac{v^2 - 1/4}{\eta^2} \right] \Rightarrow a(\eta) = (-1)^{v-1/2} \sqrt{\pi v \eta} [c_1 J_v(\gamma \eta) + c_2 Y_v(\gamma \eta)]$$

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