

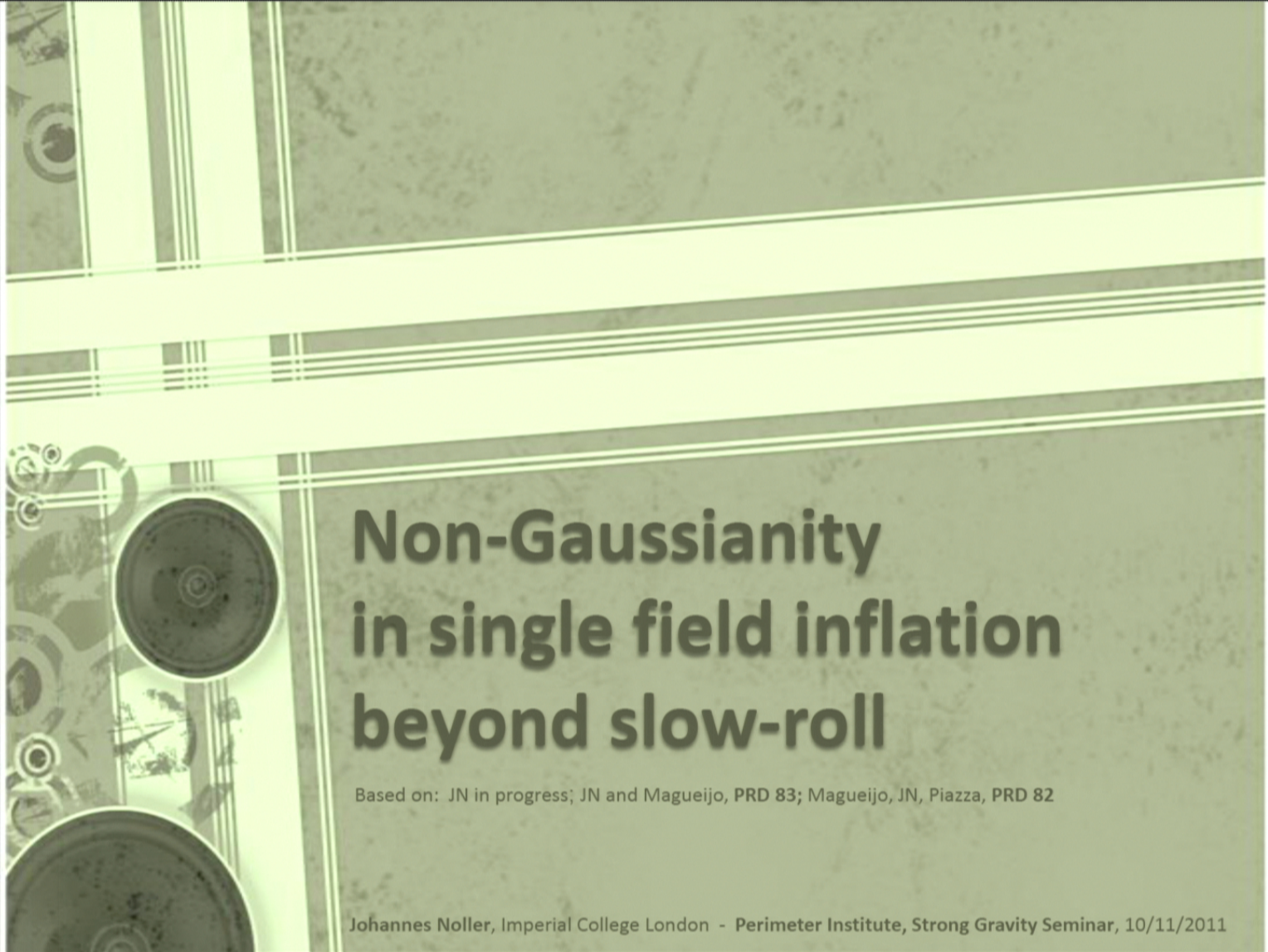
Title: Non-Gaussianity in Single Field Inflation Beyond Slow-roll

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Abstract: In inflationary theories, single field models are typically considered subject to slow-roll conditions. In this talk I will present current observational constraints on deviations from slow-roll, e.g. bounds coming from strong coupling considerations, scale-dependent non-Gaussianities and the tensor-to-scalar ratio. These constraints still allow significant violations of slow-roll conditions. Focusing on non-Gaussian signals, I will discuss a variety of intriguing observable signatures that can be found for fast-rolling single fields.





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Based on: JN in progress; JN and Magueijo, PRD 83; Magueijo, JN, Piazza, PRD 82

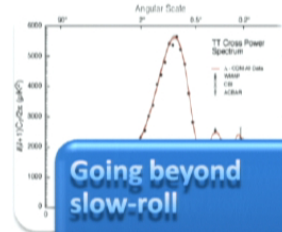
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Outline



Inflation models and slow-rolling fields

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- Observables
- Slow-roll signatures



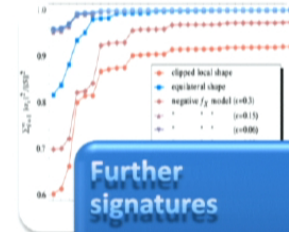
Going beyond slow-roll

- Setup
- Power spectra and scale invariance



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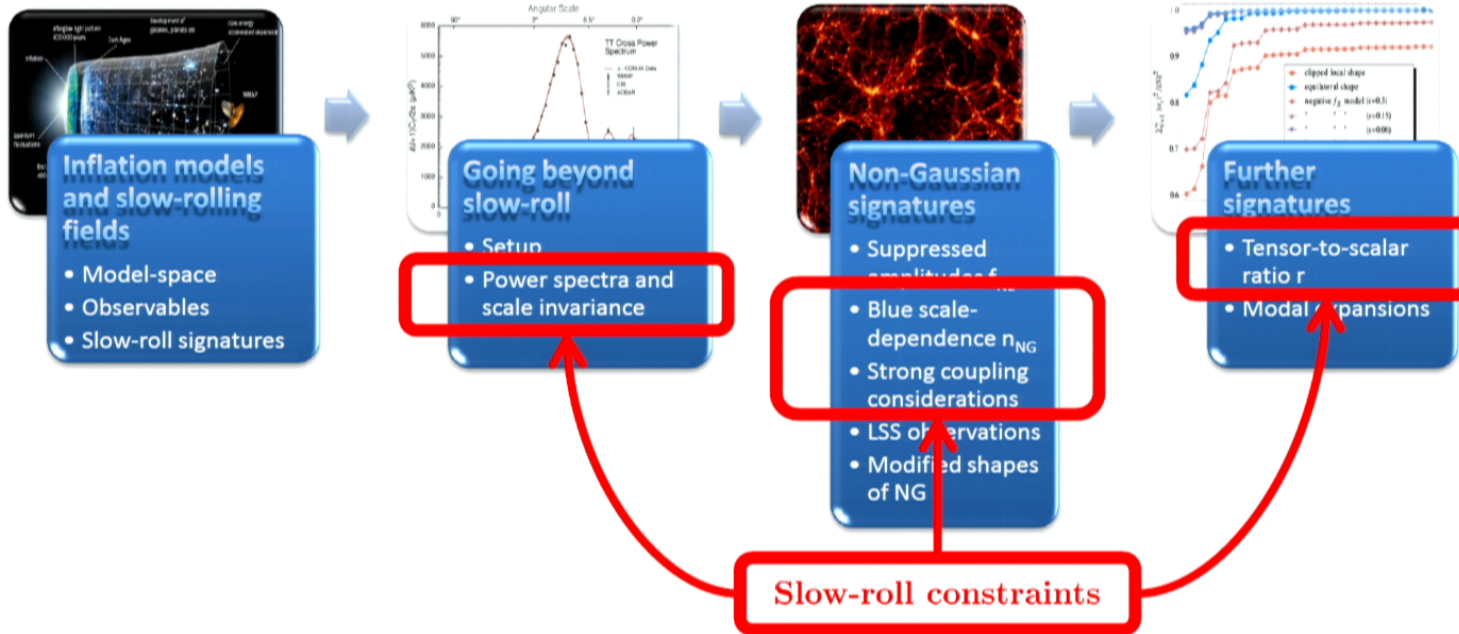
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- Strong coupling considerations
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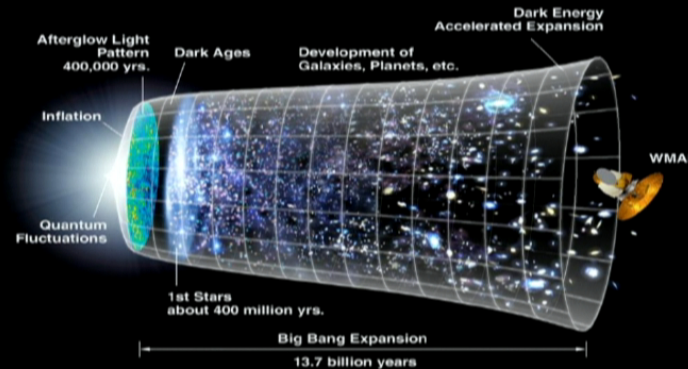
Further signatures

- Tensor-to-scalar ratio r
- Modal expansions

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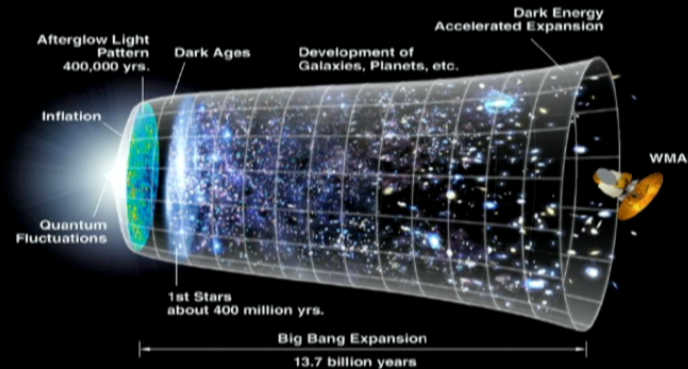
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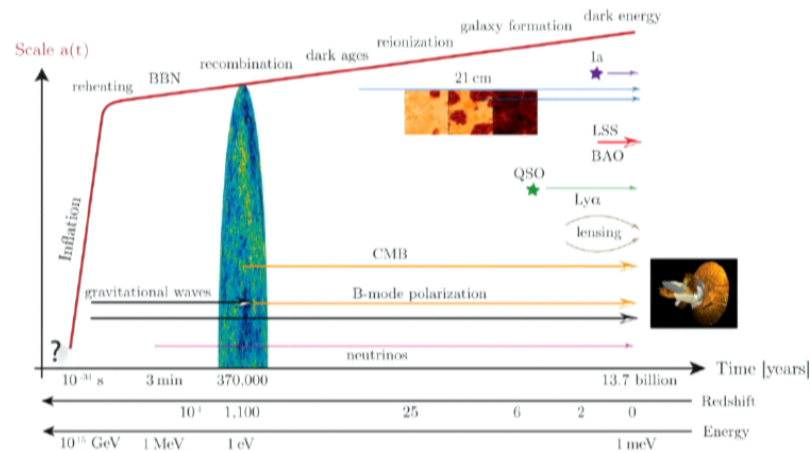
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Plot from: Baumann & Peiris '08

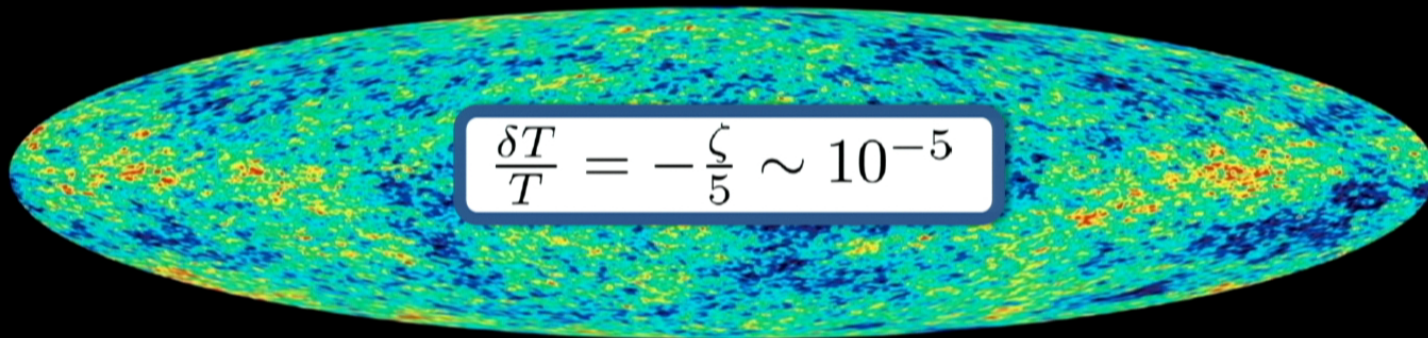
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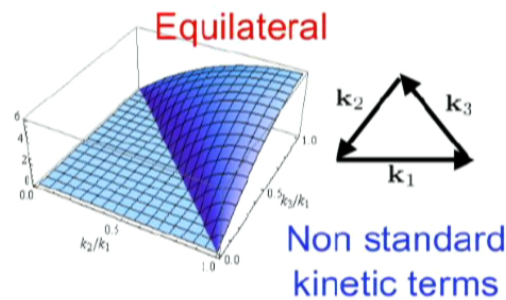
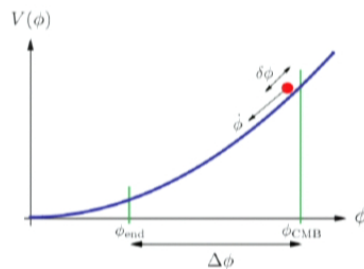
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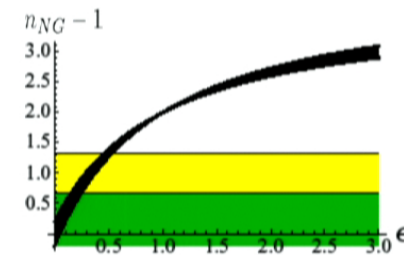
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Predominantly equilateral non-Gaussianity, negligible running n_{NG}

cf. Khoury, Piazza '09 , Senatore, Smith, Zaldarriaga '09 , Chen et al. '08, Seery, Lidsey '05



Non standard kinetic terms



Plots by: Baumann; Renaux-Petel, Chen; JN

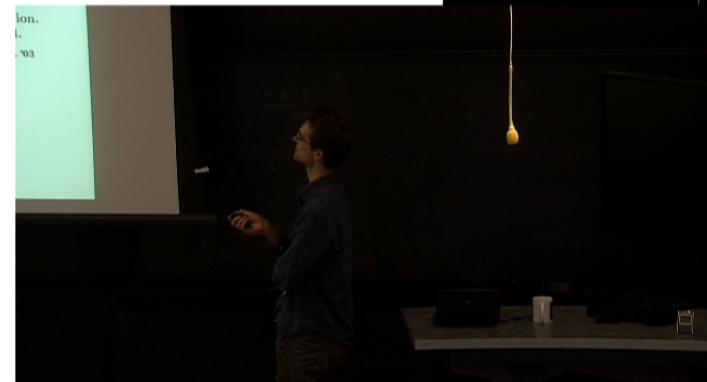
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Spectral index:

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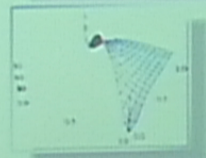
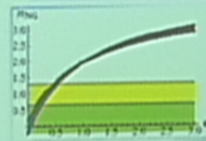
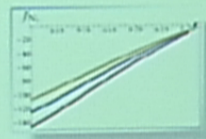
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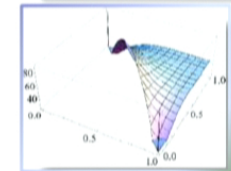
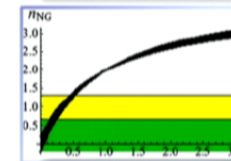
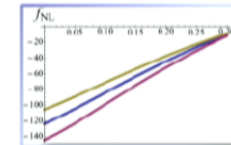
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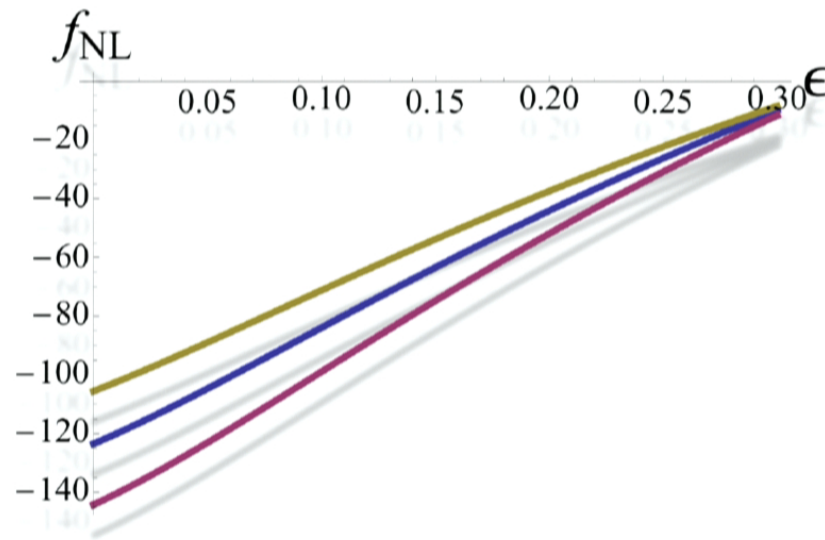
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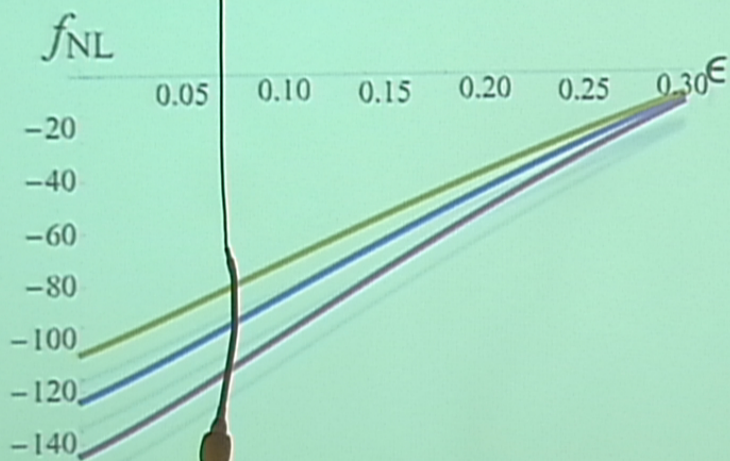
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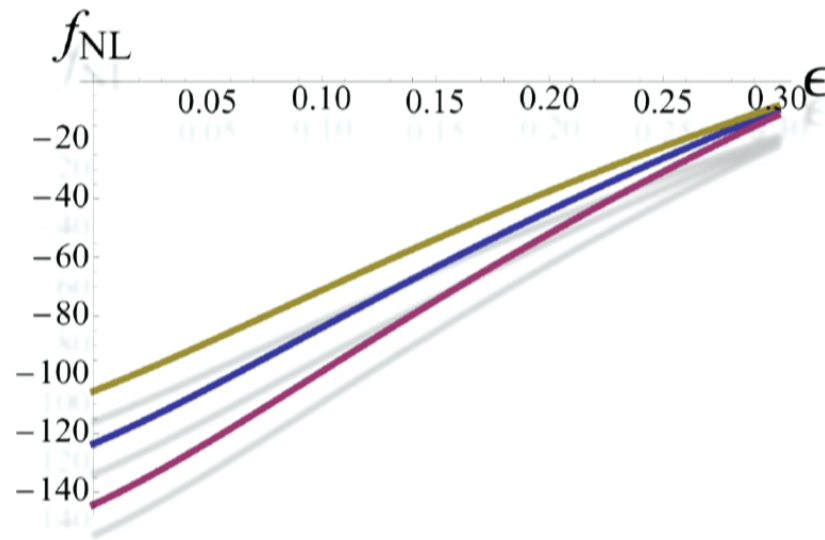
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Conformal time behaviour: $dy = c_s d\tau$

$$a \sim (-\tau)^{\frac{1}{\epsilon-1}} \quad ; \quad c_s \sim (-\tau)^{\frac{\epsilon_s}{\epsilon-1}} \quad ; \quad H \sim (-\tau)^{\frac{-\epsilon}{\epsilon-1}},$$

Commutation relations:

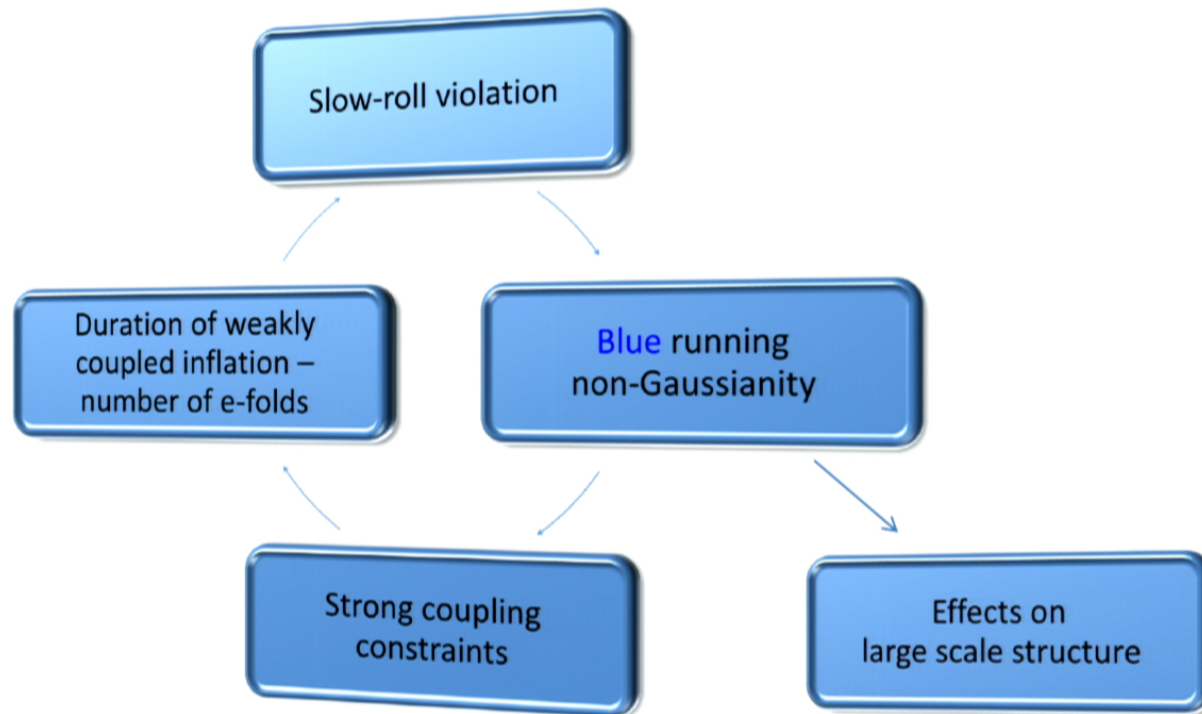
$$\zeta(y, \mathbf{k}) = u_k(y) a(\mathbf{k}) + u_k^*(y) a^\dagger(-\mathbf{k}) \quad , \quad [a(\mathbf{k}), a^\dagger(\mathbf{k}')] = (2\pi)^3 \delta^3(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}')$$

The “propagator”:

$$u_k(y) = \frac{c_s^{1/2}}{a M_{\text{Pl}} 2^{3/2}} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{\epsilon}} \sqrt{-y} H_\nu^{(1)}(-ky) \quad n_s - 1 = 3 - 2\nu$$

cf. Mukhanov, Feldman, Brandenberger '90

Scale-dependence

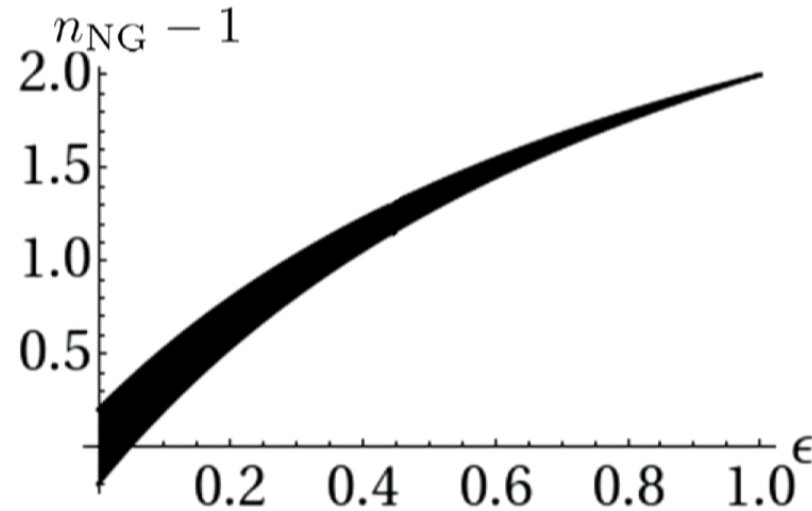


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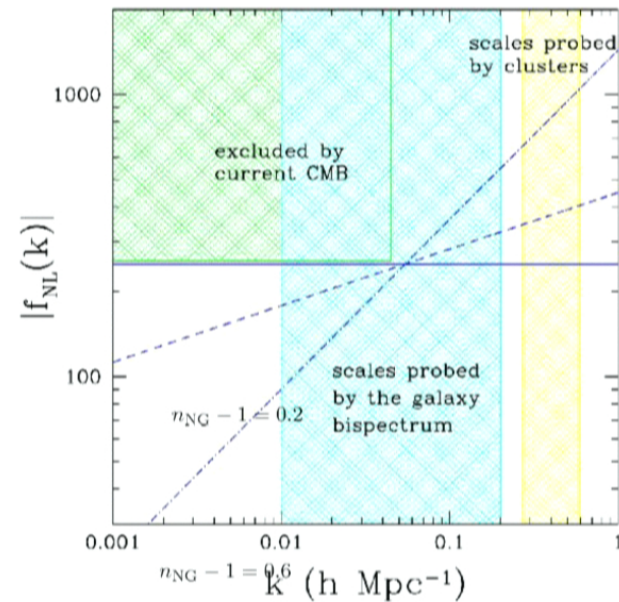
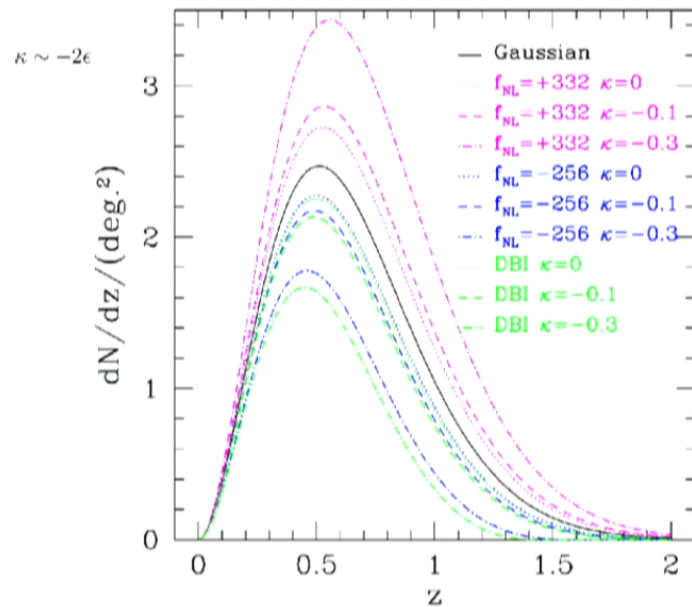
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Plots from: LoVerde, Miller, Shandera, Verde '07

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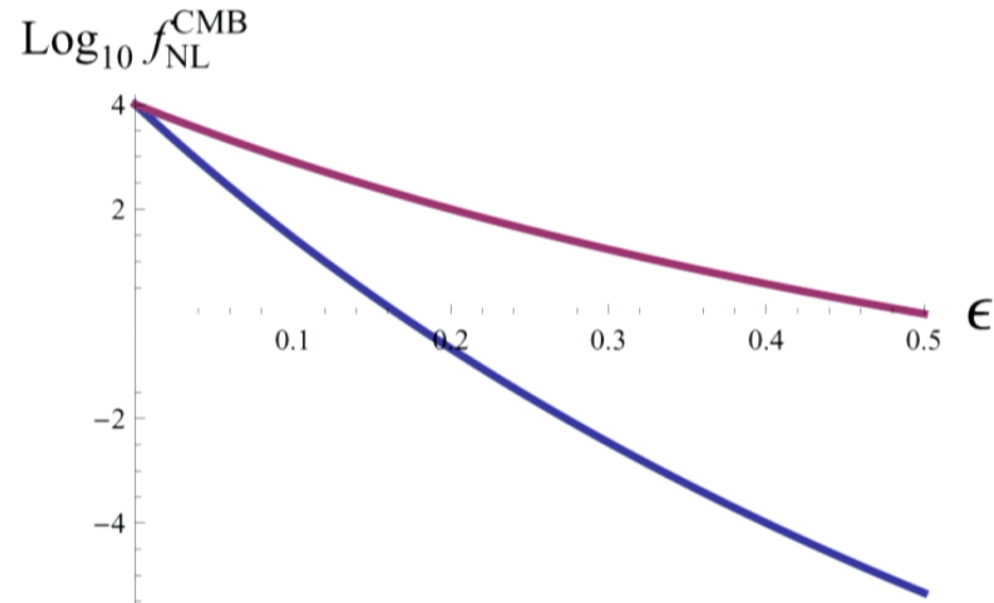
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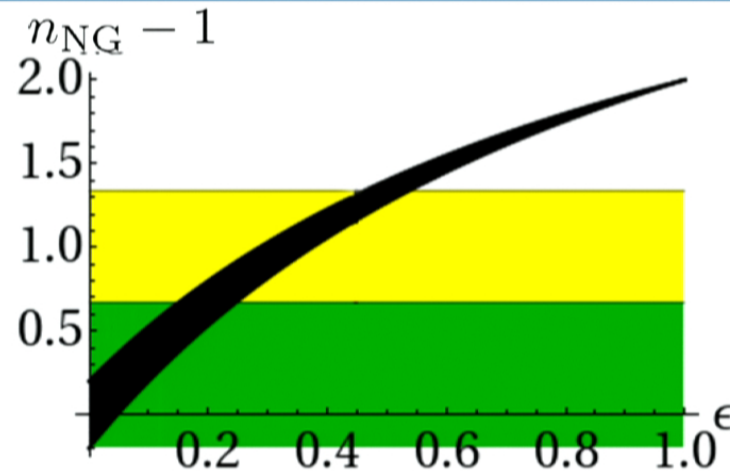
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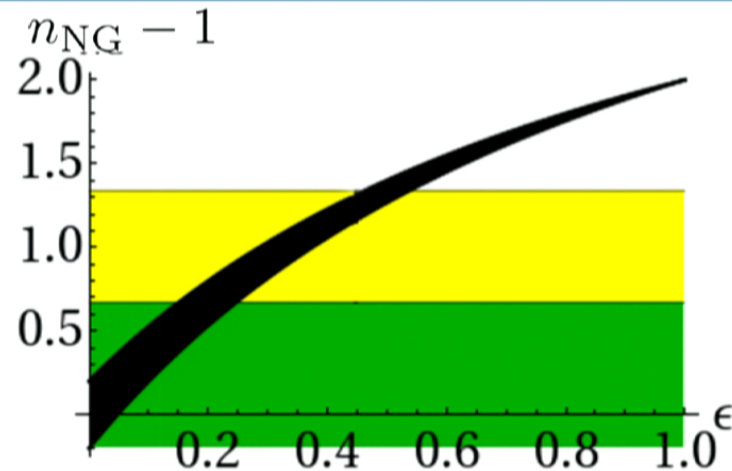
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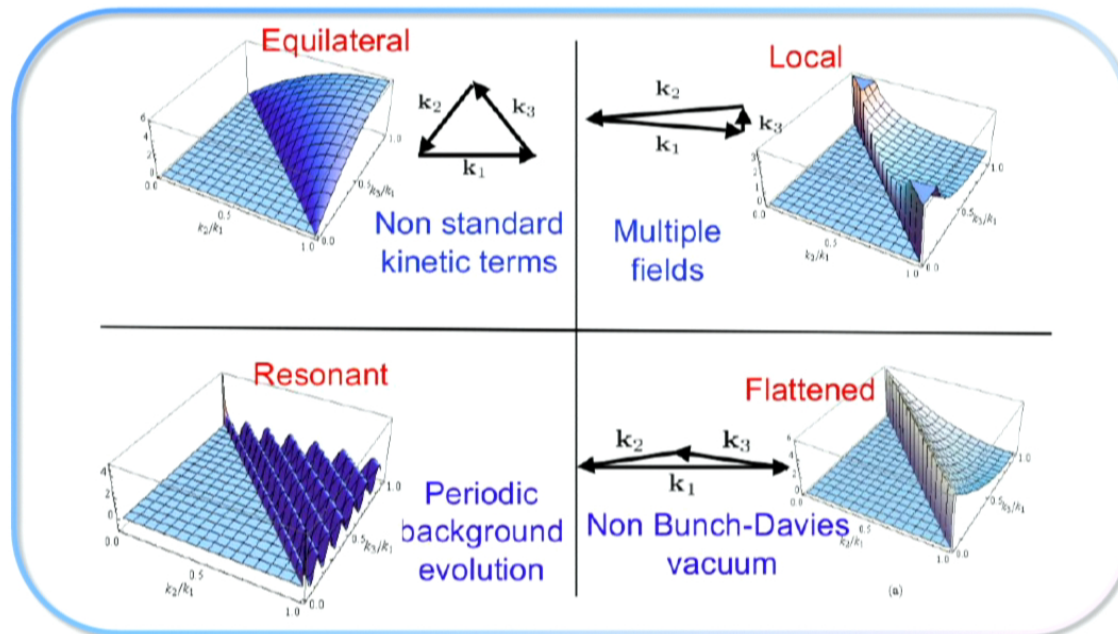
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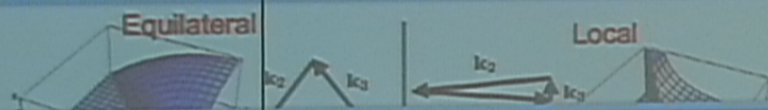
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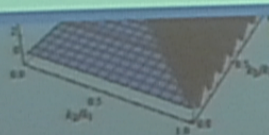
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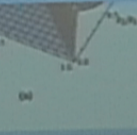
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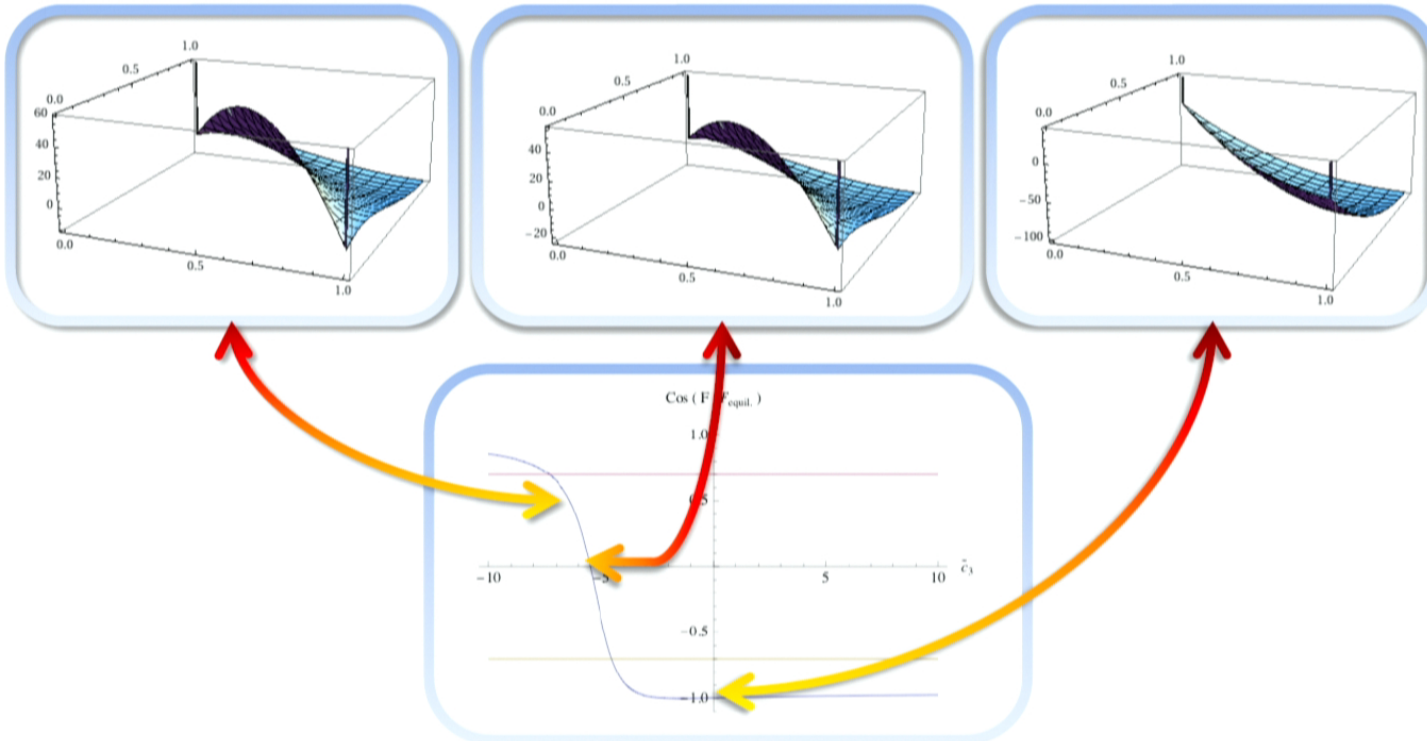
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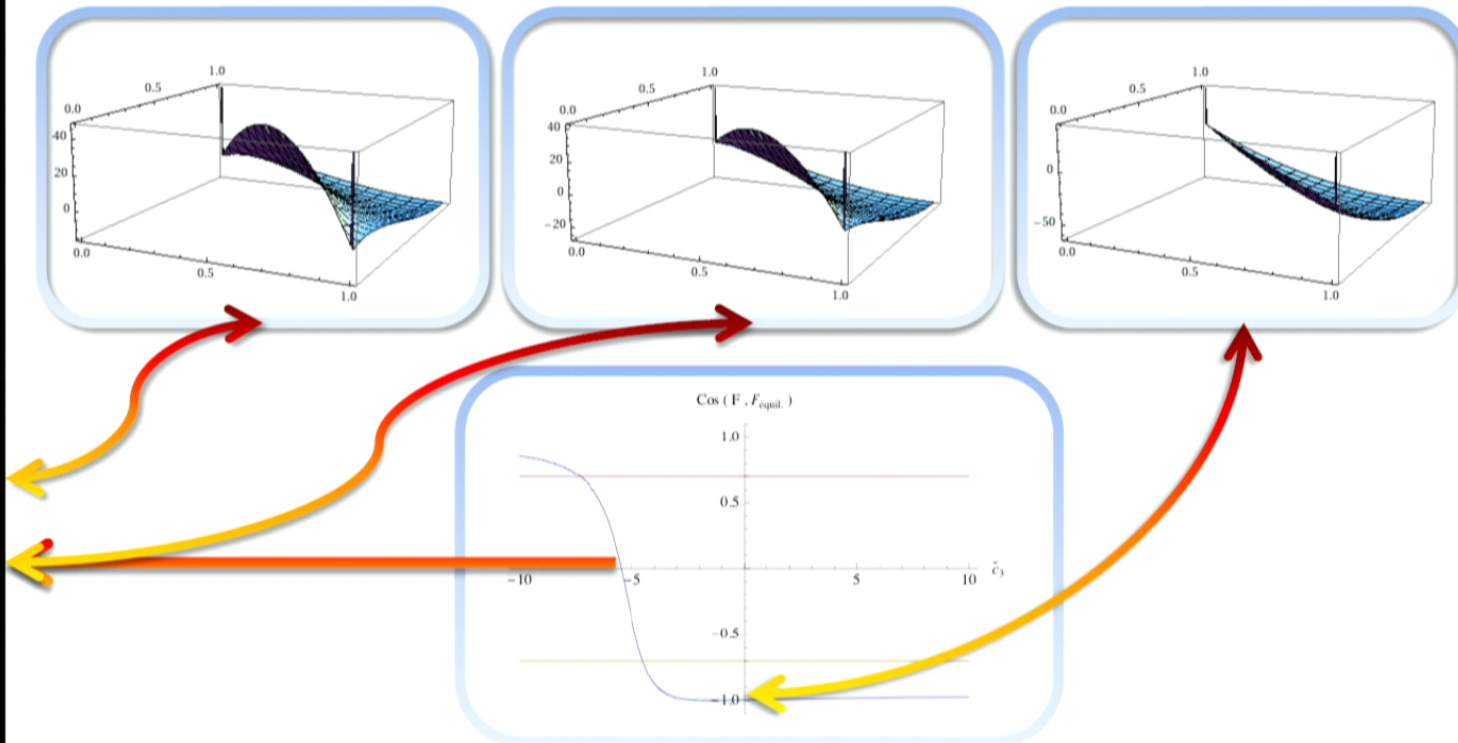
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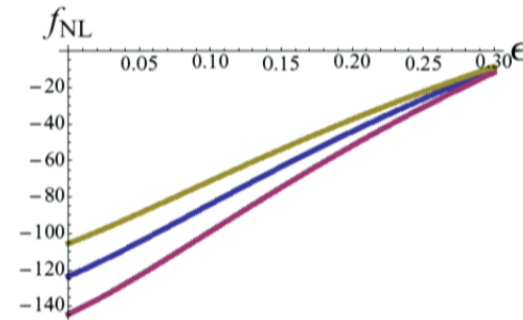
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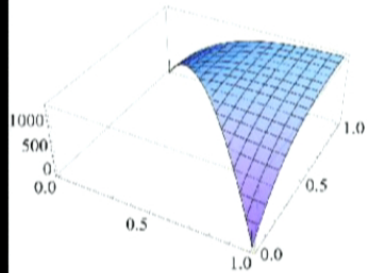
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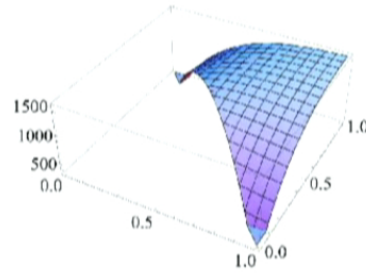
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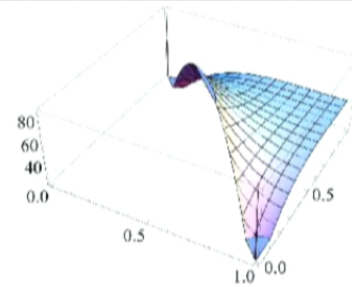
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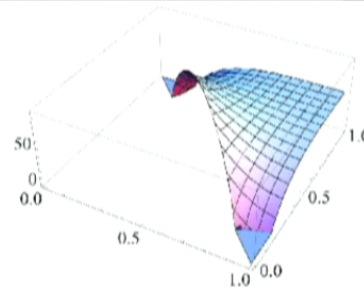
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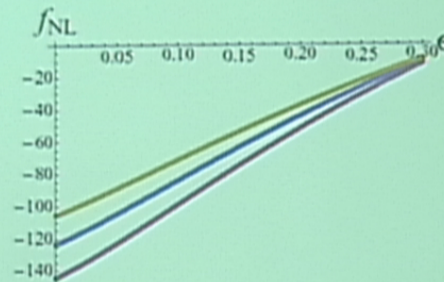
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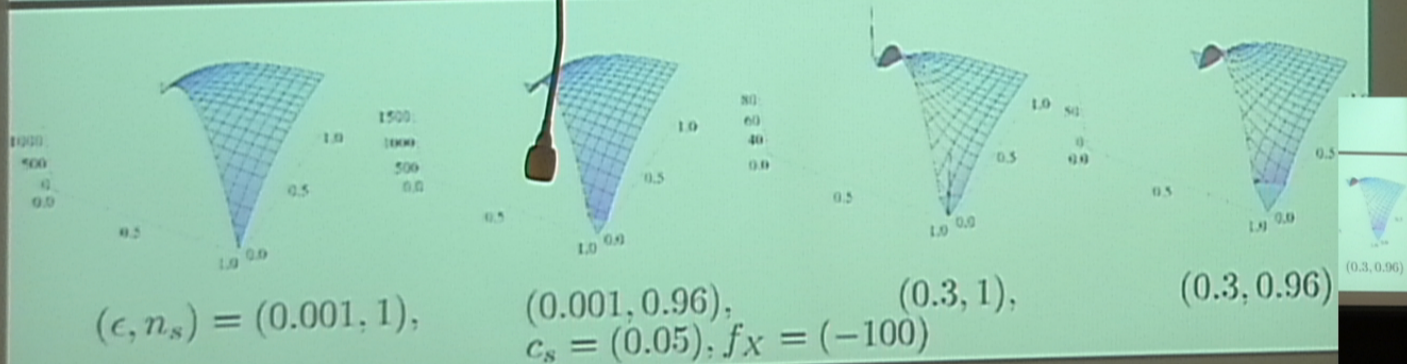
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$$\varepsilon c_s < 0.023 \quad \text{at } 2\sigma \text{ confidence}$$

Agarwal & Bean '09, Lorenz et al. '08, Lidsey & Huston '07, Stewart & Lyth '93

$$\varepsilon \lesssim 0.68^*$$

$$*\bar{c}_s \gtrsim 0.034$$

* does not take into account fast-roll suppression & assumes DBI-type action

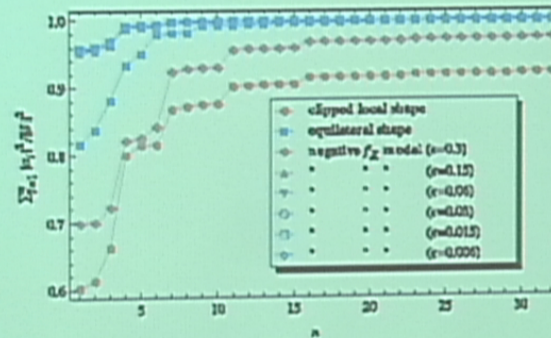
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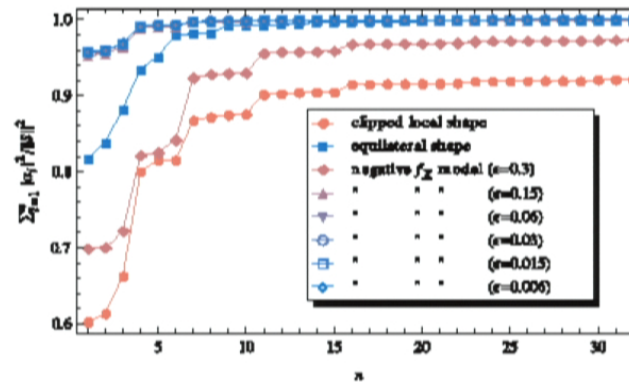
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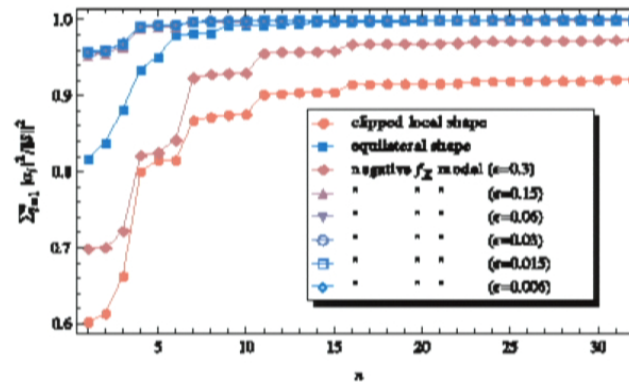
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Thank you!

JN, in progress

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