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Abstract: I will discuss a wide class of models which realise a bounce in a spatially flat Friedmann universe in standard General Relativity. The key ingredient is a noncanonical, minimally coupled scalar field belonging to the class of theories with Kinetic Gravity Braiding/Galileon-like self-couplings. In these models, the universe smoothly evolves from contraction to expansion, suffering neither from ghosts nor gradient instabilities around the turning point. The end-point of the evolution can be a standard radiation-domination era or an inflationary phase. The talk is based on arXiv:1109.1047v2 [hep-th], JCAP11(2011)021.



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## THIS TALK IS BASED ON

- *Imperfect Dark Energy from Kinetic Gravity Braiding*<sup>1</sup>  
**arXiv:1008.0048**, JCAP 1010:026, 2010
- *The Imperfect Fluid behind Kinetic Gravity Braiding*<sup>2</sup>  
**arXiv:1103.5360**, JHEP 1111 (2011) 156
- *G-Bounce*,<sup>3</sup> **arXiv:1109.1047**, JCAP 1111:021, 2011

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# PLAN

- Motivation
- General class of models - perfect imperfect fluids
- G - Bounce
- Open problems



# ORIGIN OF THE UNIVERSE?

- Was there a beginning of time i.e. of the quasiclassical universe? Was there a strong quantum gravity époque in our past?
- If there was a beginning, was the universe collapsing or expanding immediately afterwards?
- If the universe experienced an early period of inflation, which *all* observations currently perfectly confirm, what happened *before inflation*? Indeed, *inflation* is not past-complete - Borde, Guth, Vilenkin (2001)

CAN ONE CONSTRUCT  
A **STABLE**  
(WITH REAL SOUND SPEED AND WITHOUT GHOSTS)  
**CLASSICAL MODEL**  
WHERE A  
**SPATIALLY FLAT**  
FRIEDMANN UNIVERSE  
**BOUNCES:**  
GOES FROM COLLAPSE TO EXPANSION ???



**OBSTACLE:**  
TO BOUNCE ONE HAS TO VIOLATE  
NULL ENERGY CONDITION (NEC),  
BUT NORMAL FIELDS AND PERFECT  
FLUIDS CANNOT DO IT!



*go to imperfect fluids and to even less canonical fields!*



**GO G!**

# G STANDS FOR GALILEON

*Nicolis, Rattazzi, Trincherini, (2008)*

In current literature: *Galileons* = scalar-tensor theories with  
*higher derivatives in the action*

*but* with equations of motion which are *all* of the  
*second order - NO Ostrogradsky's ghosts*



*the most general theory of this type was derived*  
by *Horndeski (1974)*, and rederived by *Deffayet, Gao, Steer, Zahariade (2011)*

International Journal of Theoretical Physics, Vol. 10, No. 6 (1974), pp. 363-384

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*Kobayashi, Yamaguchi, Yokoyama (2011)*

where we have 4 free functions!

$K(\phi, X)$  and  $\mathcal{G}_i(\phi, X)$

$$\mathcal{G}'_i = \frac{\partial \mathcal{G}_i}{\partial X}$$

$$X \equiv \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \nabla_{\mu} \phi \nabla_{\nu} \phi$$

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- *Healthy and testable Phantom Dark Energy,*  
*Deffayet, Pujolas, Sawicki, AV, 2010*
- *Bouncing Cosmology for a spatially flat Friedmann universe*  
*Cremineilli, Nicolis, Trincherini 2010;*  
*Easson, Sawicki, AV;*  
*Taotao Qiu, Evslin, Cai, Li, Zhang 2011*
- *Superinflation with blue spectra of gravity waves*  
*Kobayashi, Yamaguchi, Yokoyama 2010*



# WHY IS THIS **G** STILL INTERESTING?

The scalar field can model *imperfect superfluid* and should not be necessarily considered more fundamental as a velocity potential or a “phase”

*Pujolas, Sawicki, AV 2011*



- New linear and nonlinear effects in cosmological perturbations - theoretical laboratory to test **DE** /  $\Lambda$

Similarly to gravity, these theories are highly nonlinear and a UV completion they can admit should be by the *classicalization* or something more exotic - nonlocal, etc..

*Dvali et al. 2010*



# SIMPLEST INTERESTING SUBSECTOR OF GALILEONS / HORNDESKI'S THEORIES -

## *Kinetic Gravity Braiding*

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# EQUATION OF MOTION I

$$L^{\mu\nu} \nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \phi + (\nabla_\alpha \nabla_\beta \phi) Q^{\alpha\beta\mu\nu} (\nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \phi) + \\ + Z - G_X R^{\mu\nu} \nabla_\mu \phi \nabla_\nu \phi = 0$$

**Braiding**

**EOM is of the second order:**  $L_{\mu\nu}$ ,  $Q^{\alpha\beta\mu\nu}$ ,  $Z$   
**constructed from field and it's first derivatives**

$Q^{\alpha\beta\mu\nu}$  is such that EOM is a 4D Lorentzian  
generalization of the Monge-Ampère Equation,  
always *linear* in  $\ddot{\phi}$



SHOULD  $\phi$  BE FUNDAMENTAL?  
NO NOT AT ALL  
 $\phi$  CAN MODEL SOME  
HYDRODYNAMICS !

$K(X)$  for equation of state,  $G(X)$ : transport coefficient

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# EFFECTIVE MASS & CHEMICAL POTENTIAL

$$\kappa \equiv 2XG_X$$

- charge density:  $n \equiv J^\mu u_\mu = n_0 + \kappa\theta$   
“Braiding”
- energy density:  $\mathcal{E} \equiv T^{\mu\nu} u_\mu u_\nu = \mathcal{E}_0 + \theta\dot{\phi}\kappa$
- effective mass per shift-charge / chemical potential:

$$m \equiv \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial n} \right)_{V, \phi} = \sqrt{2X} = \dot{\phi}$$



# SHIFT-CURRENT AND “DIFFUSION”

$$J_{\mu} = nu_{\mu} - \frac{\kappa}{m} \perp_{\mu}^{\lambda} \nabla_{\lambda} m$$

**“Diffusion”**

§ 59, L&L, vol. 6

$$\kappa \equiv 2XG_X$$

Is a “diffusivity”/  
transport coefficient

*Particle / charge current is not parallel to energy flow!*

# IMPERFECT FLUID ENERGY-MOMENTUM TENSOR

- **Pressure**

$$\mathcal{P} = P_0 - \kappa \dot{m}$$

- **Energy Flow**

*No Heat Flux!*

$$q_\mu = -\kappa \perp_\mu^\lambda \nabla_\lambda m = m \perp_\mu^\lambda J_\lambda$$

- **Energy Momentum Tensor**

$$T_{\mu\nu} = \mathcal{E} u_\mu u_\nu - \perp_{\mu\nu} \mathcal{P} + 2u_{(\mu} q_{\nu)}$$

*Solving for  $\dot{m}$  for small gradients or small  $\kappa$  one obtains “bulk viscosity”  
but change of frame results in a perfect fluid with vorticity up to  $\mathcal{O}(\kappa^2)$*



# DIFFUSION OF CHARGE?

For incompressible motion  $\theta \equiv 0$   
equation of motion is:

$$\dot{n} = -\bar{\nabla}_{\mu} \left( \mathfrak{D} \bar{\nabla}^{\mu} n \right) + \mathfrak{D} a^{\mu} \bar{\nabla}_{\mu} n$$

where the diffusion constant:  $\mathfrak{D} \equiv -\frac{\kappa}{n_m m}$   
c.f. § 59, *L&L*, vol. 6, p 232

4-acceleration:  $a^{\mu} \equiv \dot{u}^{\mu}$

spatial gradient:  $\bar{\nabla}_{\mu} \equiv \perp_{\mu}^{\nu} \nabla_{\nu}$

$$K(x, \phi) + G(x, \phi) \Delta \phi.$$





## ENERGY CONSERVATION IN COMOVING VOLUME

Energy conservation:  $u_\nu \nabla_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$



$$dE = -\mathcal{P}dV + md\mathcal{N}_{\text{dif}}$$

Euler relation:  $\mathcal{E} = mn - P_0$



Momentum conservation:

$$\perp_{\mu\nu} \nabla_\lambda T^{\lambda\nu} = 0$$

# COSMOLOGY

$$q_{\mu} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \theta = 3H$$

**Friedmann Equation:**

$$H^2 = \kappa m H + \frac{1}{3} (\mathcal{E}_0 + \rho_{\text{ext}})$$

$$r_c^{-1} = \kappa m \quad \text{“crossover” scale in DGP}$$



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# SOUND SPEED

$$c_s^2 = \frac{\mathcal{P}_m + 2\dot{\kappa} + \kappa (4H - \kappa m/2)}{\mathcal{E}_m - 3\kappa (H - \kappa m/2)} \neq \frac{\dot{\mathcal{P}}}{\dot{\mathcal{E}}}$$

The relation between the equation of state, the sound speed and the presence of ghosts is very different from the *k-essence* & perfect fluid.



A manifestly stable *Phantom* ( $w_X < -1$ ) is possible even with a *single* degree of freedom and *minimal* coupling to gravity



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- In new coordinates  $(m, H)$  at  $H = 0$  pose conditions

$$\rho_{\text{ext}} > 0, D > 0, \dot{H} > 0, c_s^2 > 0$$

- These conditions are on the range of chemical potential  $\Delta m$  and on the equation of state  $K(m)$  along with the transport coefficient  $\kappa(m)$  or on  $K(X)$  and  $G(X)$



**“Healthy” Bounce!**



IS IT POSSIBLE  
TO SATISFY  
ALL THESE CONDITIONS ?





# SIMPLE HIERARCHY

if  $K(m)$  and  $\kappa(m)$  satisfy the hierarchy:

$$K > mK_m > \frac{1}{2} (m\kappa)^2 > 0 > \frac{1}{2} m^2 K_{mm} > -\frac{3}{4} (m\kappa)^2$$

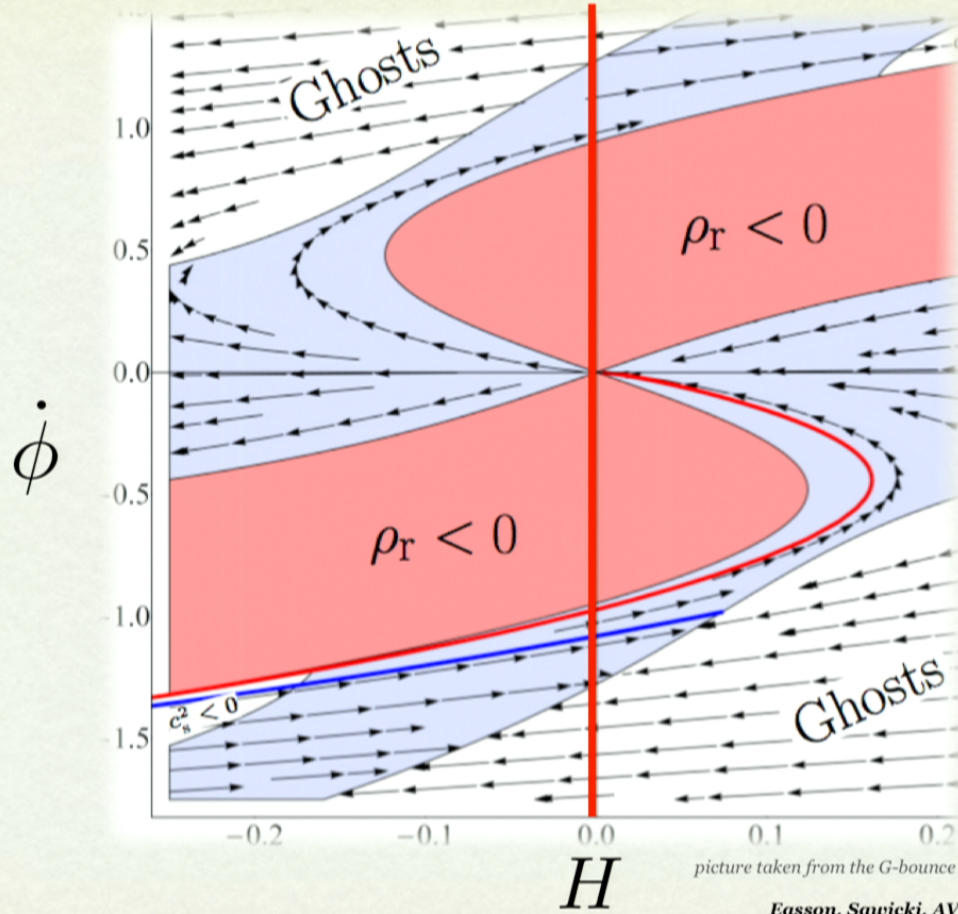
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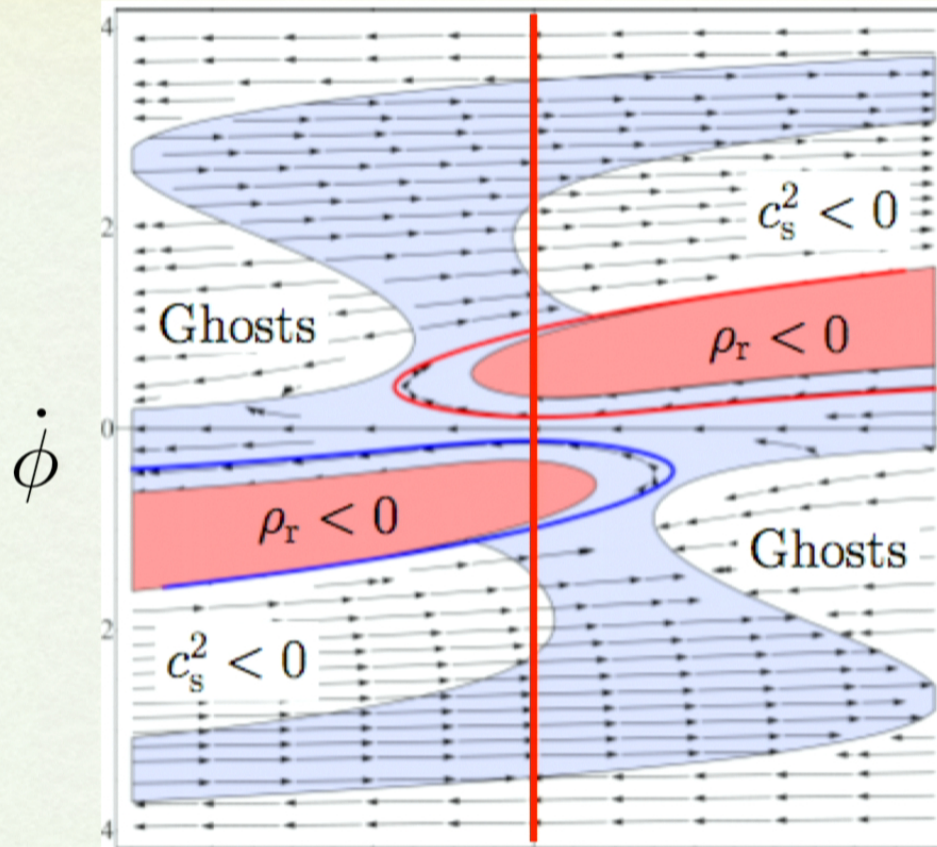


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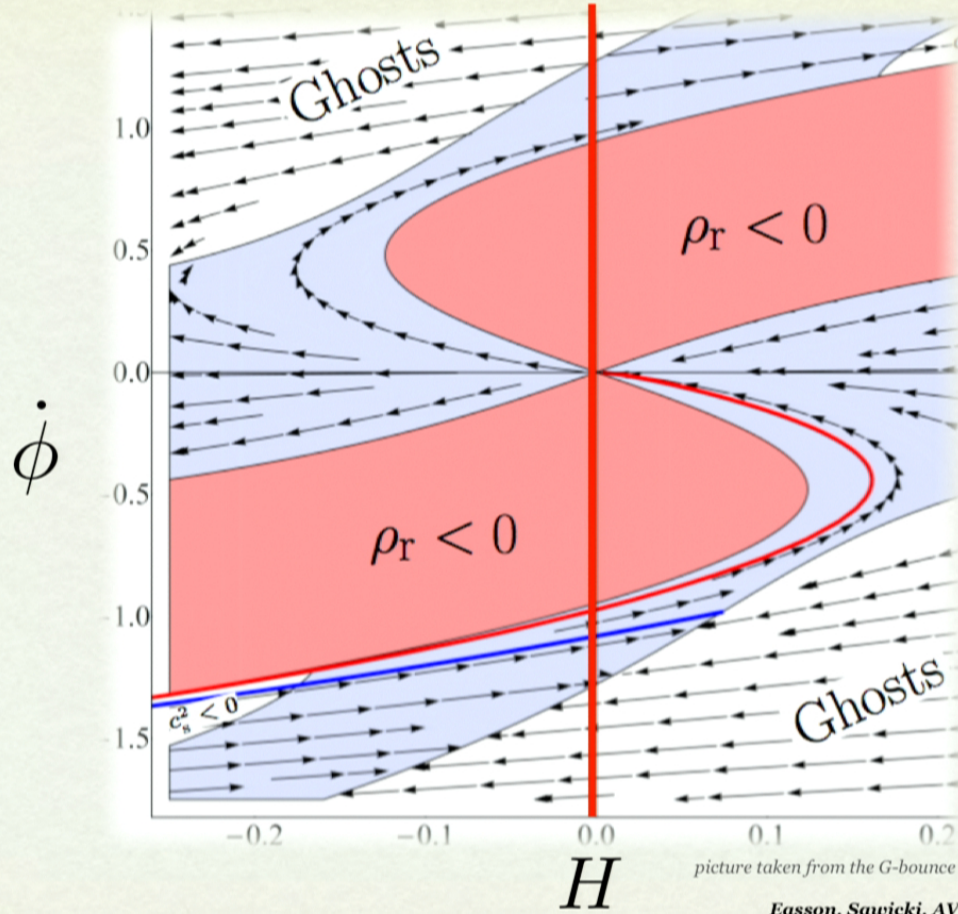


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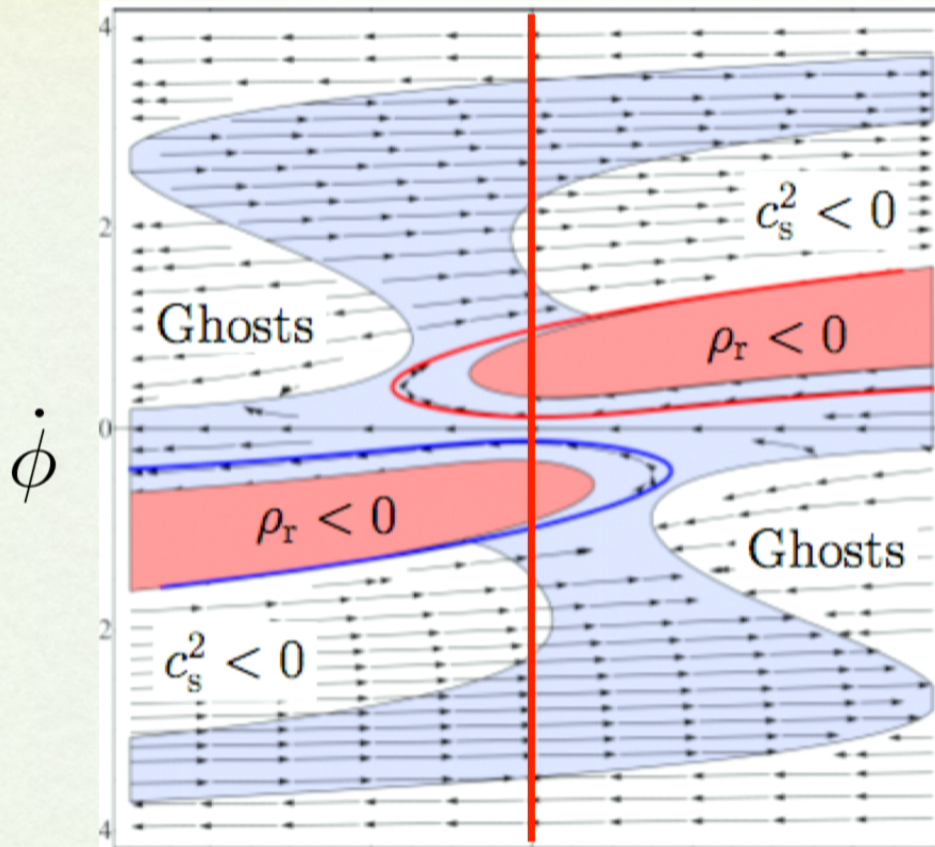


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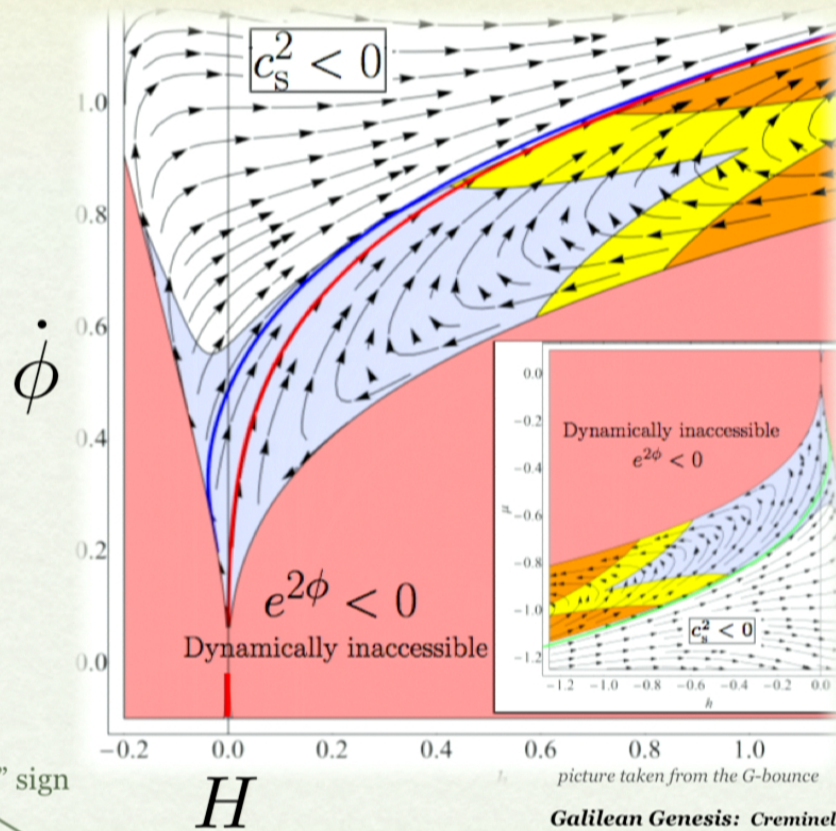


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wrong "ghostly" sign

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*Galilean Genesis: Creminelli, Nicolis, Trincherini (2010)*

"Conformal Galileon":

$$\mathcal{L} = -2f^2 e^{2\phi} X + \frac{2f^3}{\Lambda^3} X^2 + \frac{2f^3}{\Lambda^3} X \square \phi$$

where:  $X \equiv \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \nabla_\mu \phi \nabla_\nu \phi$  and  $\Lambda, f$  are constants



# OPEN QUESTIONS

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