

Title: Acceleration, Then and Now

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Abstract: There is good evidence that the universe underwent an epoch of accelerated expansion sometime in its very early history, and that it is entering a similar phase now. This talk is in two parts. The first part describes what I believe to be the take-home message about inflationary models, coming both from the recent Planck results and from attempts to embed inflation within a UV completion (string theory). I will argue that both point to a particularly interesting class of inflationary models that also evade many of the tuning problems of inflation. These models also turn out to make the tantalizing prediction that the scalar-to-tensor ratio, r , could be just out of reach, being predicted to be proportional to $(n_s - 1)^2$, where $n_s \sim 0.96$ is the spectral tilt of the scalar spectrum. The second part provides an update on an approach to solving the "cosmological constant problem", which asks why the vacuum energy seems to gravitate so little. This is the main theoretical obstruction that makes it so difficult to understand the origins of the present epoch of acceleration. In the approach described - Supersymmetric Large Extra Dimensions - observations can be reconciled with a large vacuum energy because the vacuum energy curves the extra dimensions and not the ones measured in cosmology. It leads to a picture of very supersymmetric gravity sector coupled to a completely non-supersymmetric particle-physics sector (which predicts in particular no superpartners to be found at the LHC). The update presented here summarizes the underlying mechanism whereby supersymmetry in the extra dimensions acts to suppress the gravitational effects of quantum fluctuations. Because the large quantum contributions are under control it becomes possible to estimate the size of to be expected of the observed dark energy. For the simplest configuration the result is of order $C (m M_g/4 \pi M_p)^4$, where m is the heaviest particle on the branes (and so no smaller than the top quark mass), M_g is the extra-dimensional gravity scale (no smaller than 10 TeV due to astrophysical constraints, implying two extra dimensions that are of order a micron in size) and M_p is the 4D Planck mass. C is a constant unsuppressed by symmetry-breaking effects, and $C = 6 \times 10^6$ gives the observed dark energy density, using the smallest values given above for m and M_g . If there is time I will sketch arguments as to why there must be other light degrees of freedom in the theory as well, whose implications might ultimately be used to test the picture.



Acceleration, Then & Now

*Inflation & Dark Energy
after Planck*



Cliff Burgess

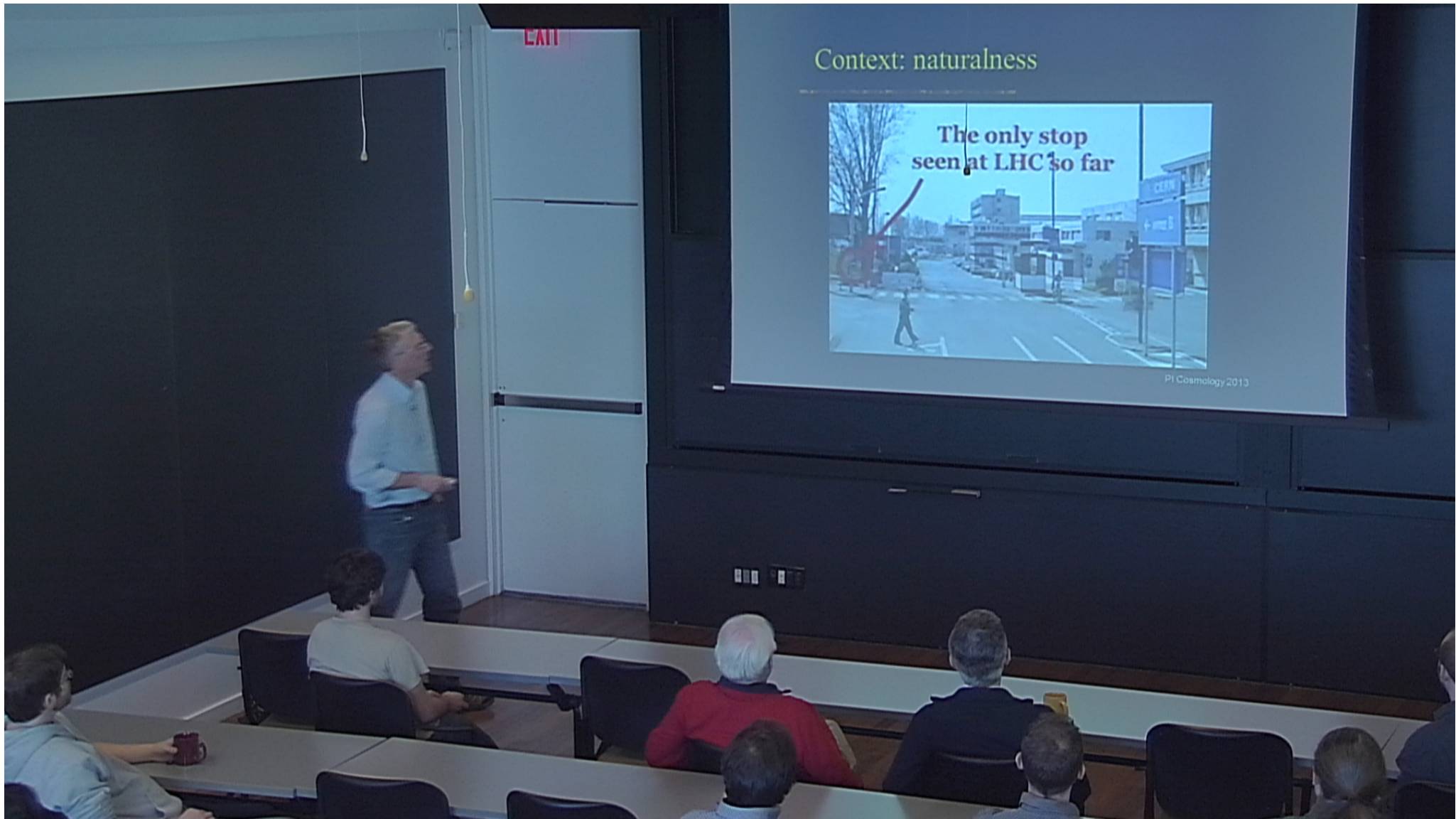


Context: naturalness principles

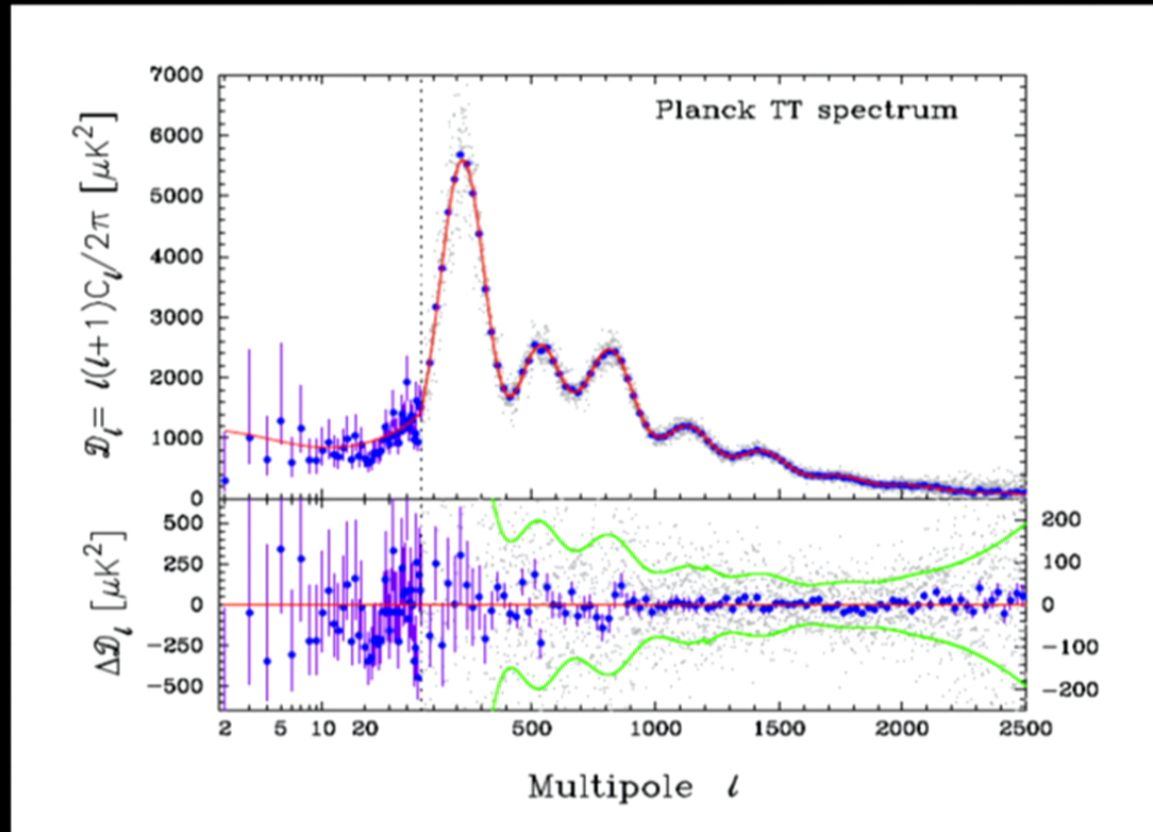
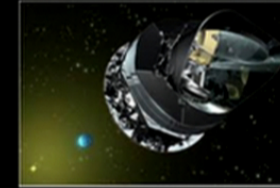
- Light scalars are unnatural
 - The LHC will see lots of new SUSY particles
 - Inflation will be complex



*Patron Saint of All Things
Natural*
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Context: naturalness



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Context: naturalness!

- Is Naturalness Dead?
- Long Live Naturalness!



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Outline

- Acceleration Then (inflation) *(1306.3512)*
 - Things on which (almost) everyone agrees
 - What the data likes
 - Information from the UV?
- Acceleration Now (dark energy) *(1309.4133)*
 - Novel form of SUSY breaking

Acceleration Then

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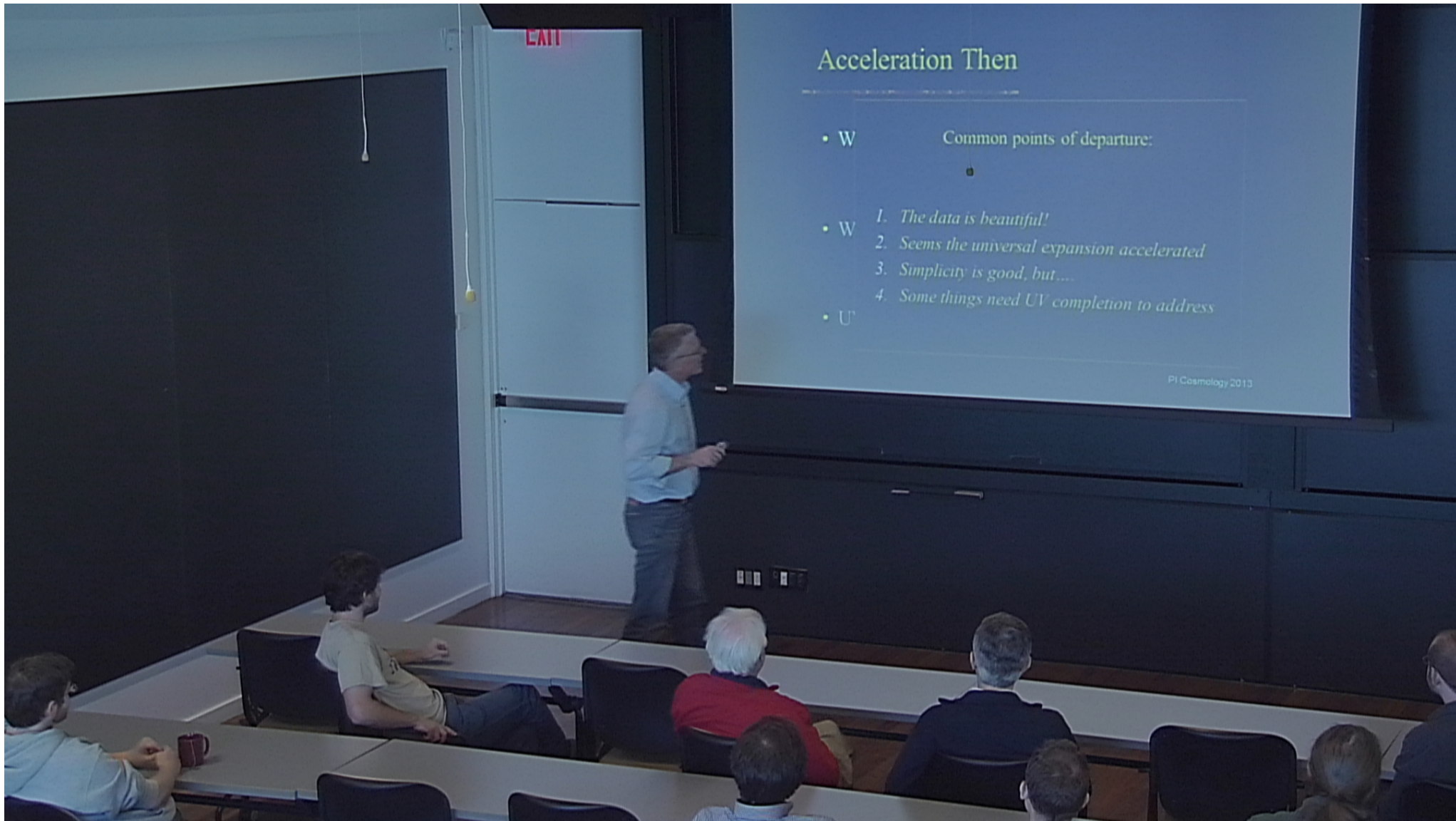
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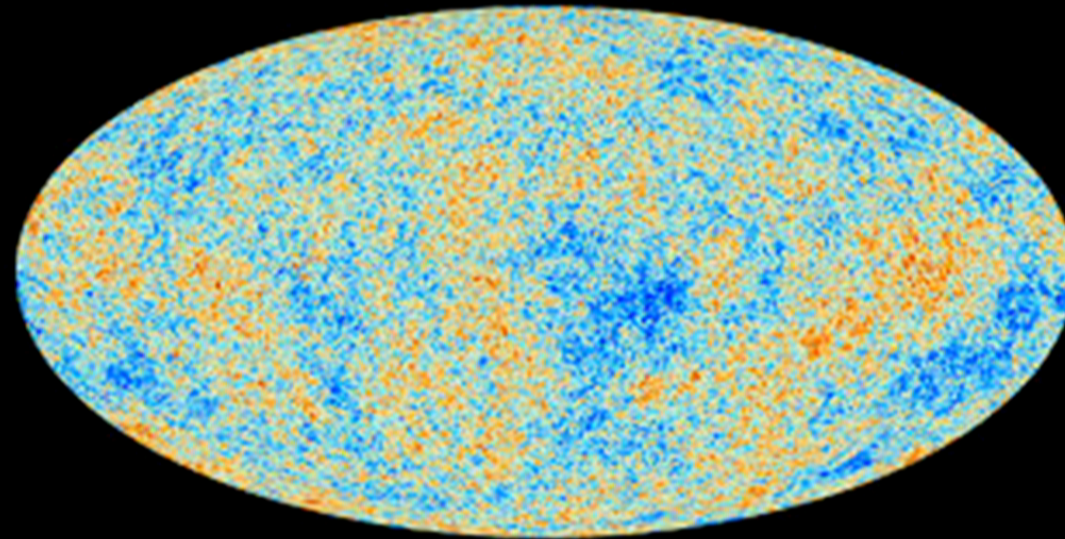
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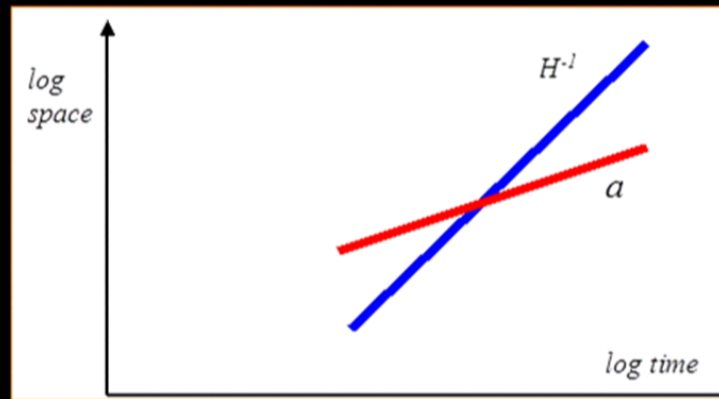


1. Planck's map

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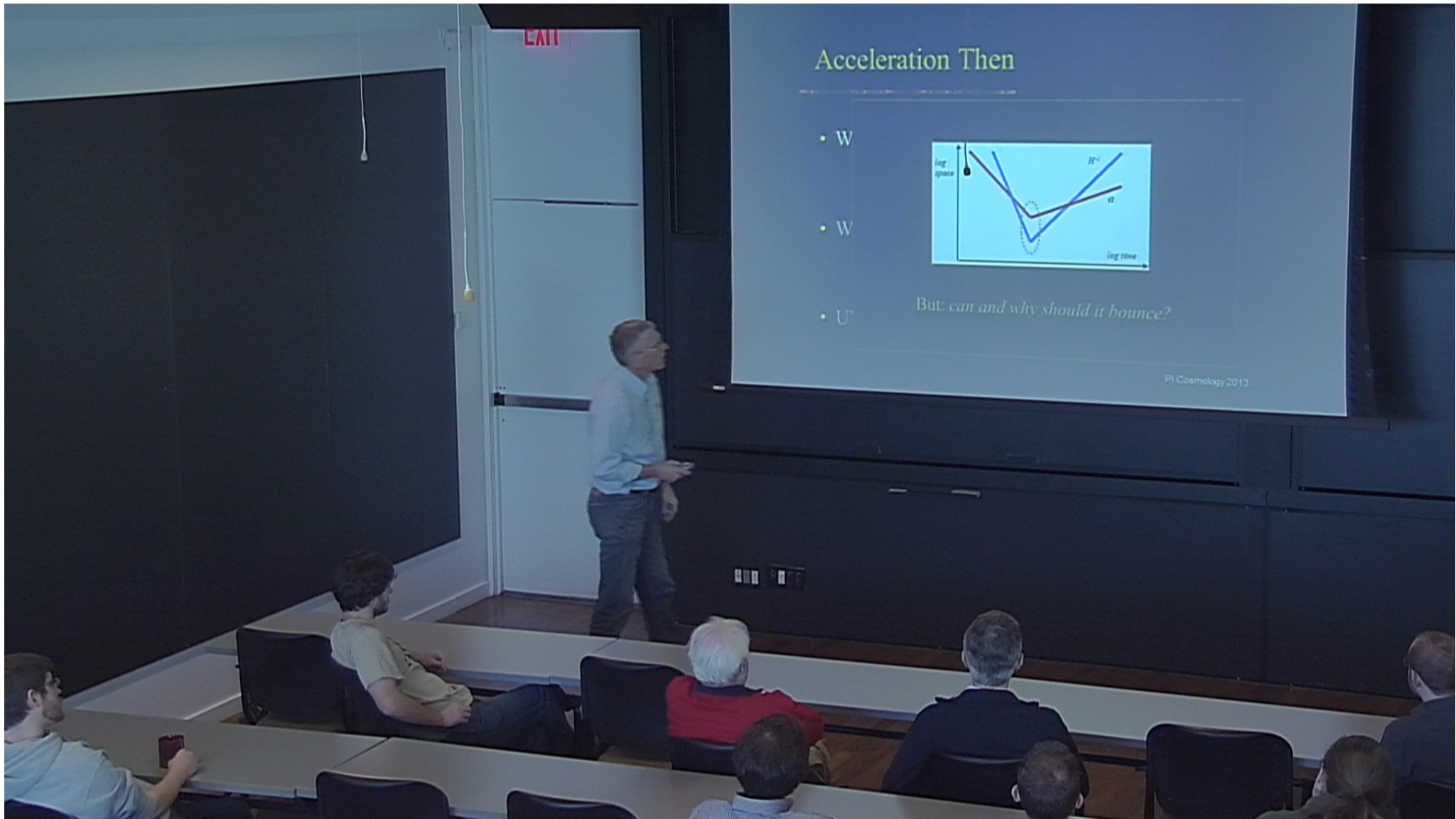
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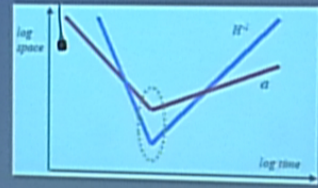
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2. The problem: *how to generate correlations over scales that were super-Hubble in size?*



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- U^*



But: can and why should it bounce?

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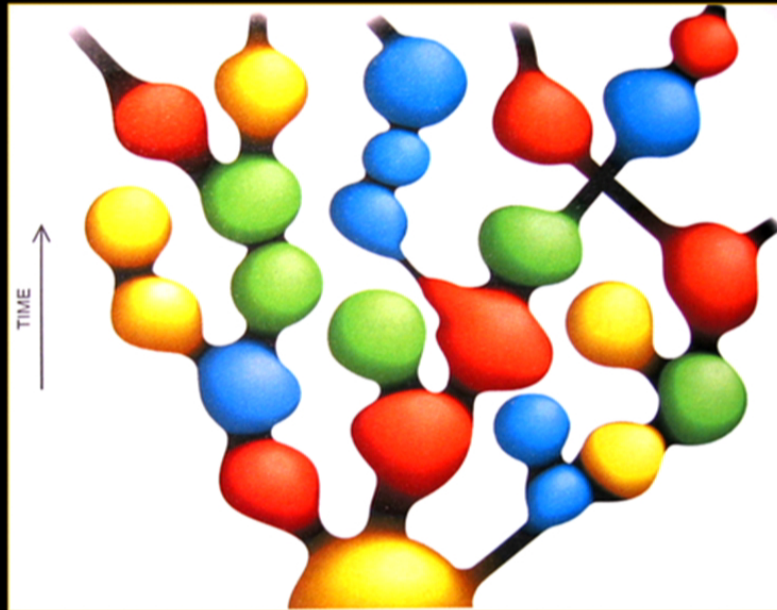
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fig: Andrei Linde

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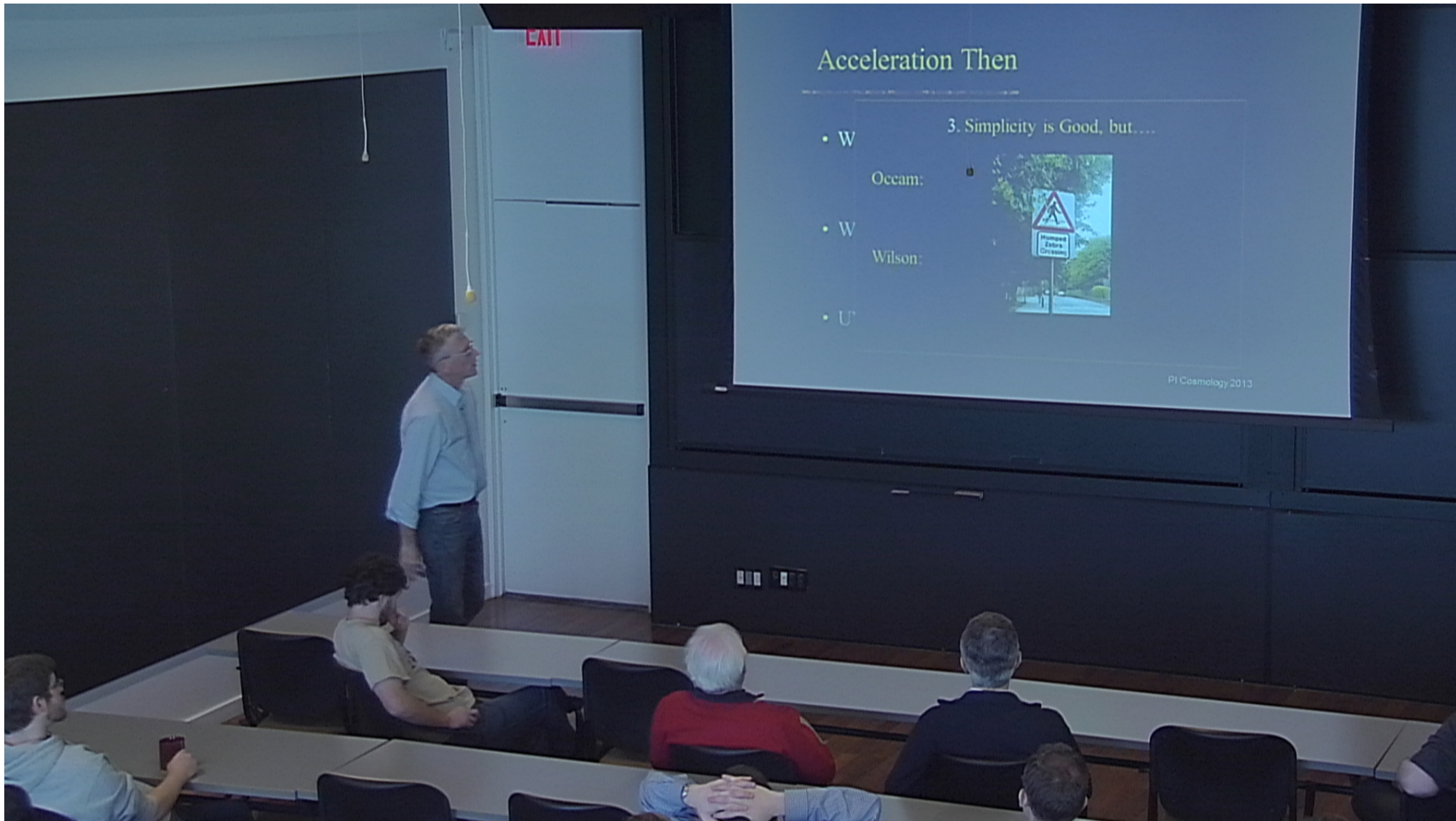
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And: need it do so everywhere?

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Wilson:

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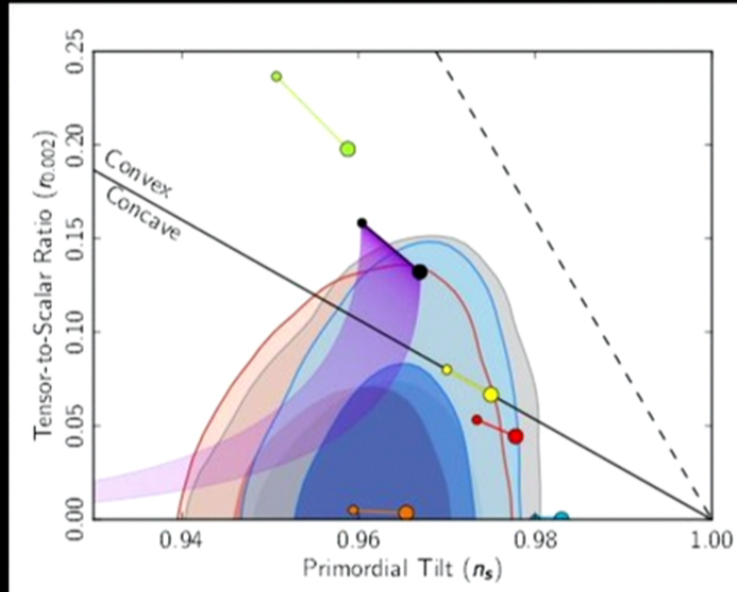
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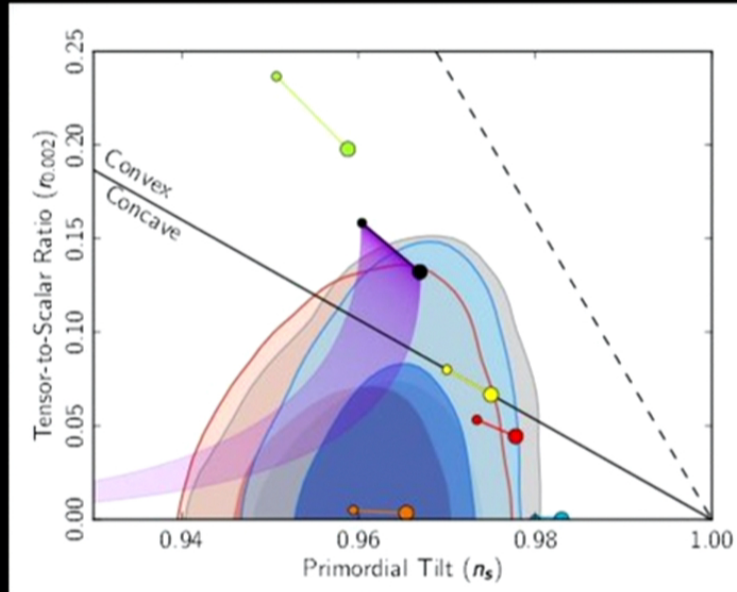
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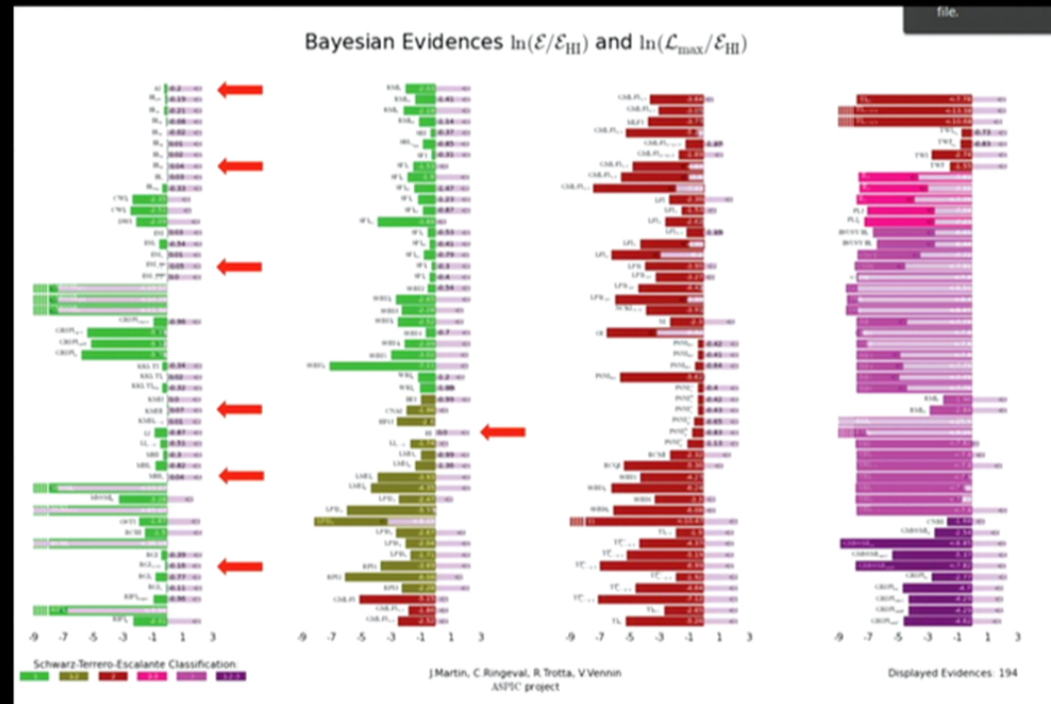
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NI	1	1	$M^4 \left[1 + \cos\left(\frac{\phi}{f}\right)\right]$
ESI	1	1	$M^4 \left(1 - e^{-q\phi/M_{Pl}}\right)$
PLI	1	1	$M^4 e^{-\alpha\phi/M_{Pl}}$
KMI	1	2	$M^4 \left(1 - \alpha \frac{\phi}{M_{Pl}} e^{-\phi/M_{Pl}}\right)$
HFI	1	1	$M^4 \left(1 + A_1 \frac{\phi}{M_{Pl}}\right)^2 \left[1 - \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{A_1}{1+A_1\phi/M_{Pl}}\right)^2\right]$
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RGI	1	1	$M^4 \frac{(\phi/M_{Pl})^2}{\alpha + (\phi/M_{Pl})^2}$

Models: above and many, many more.....

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A Bayesian comparison of models

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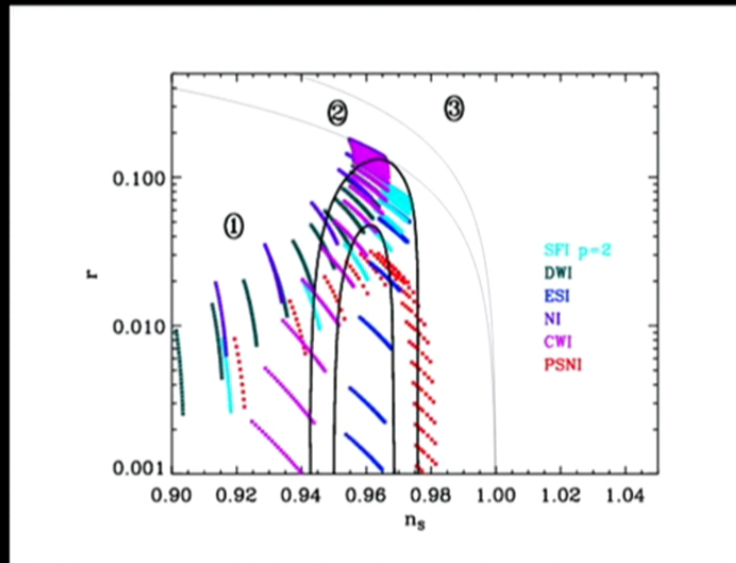
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Why some do better than others

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Exponential potentials: progress on the η problem

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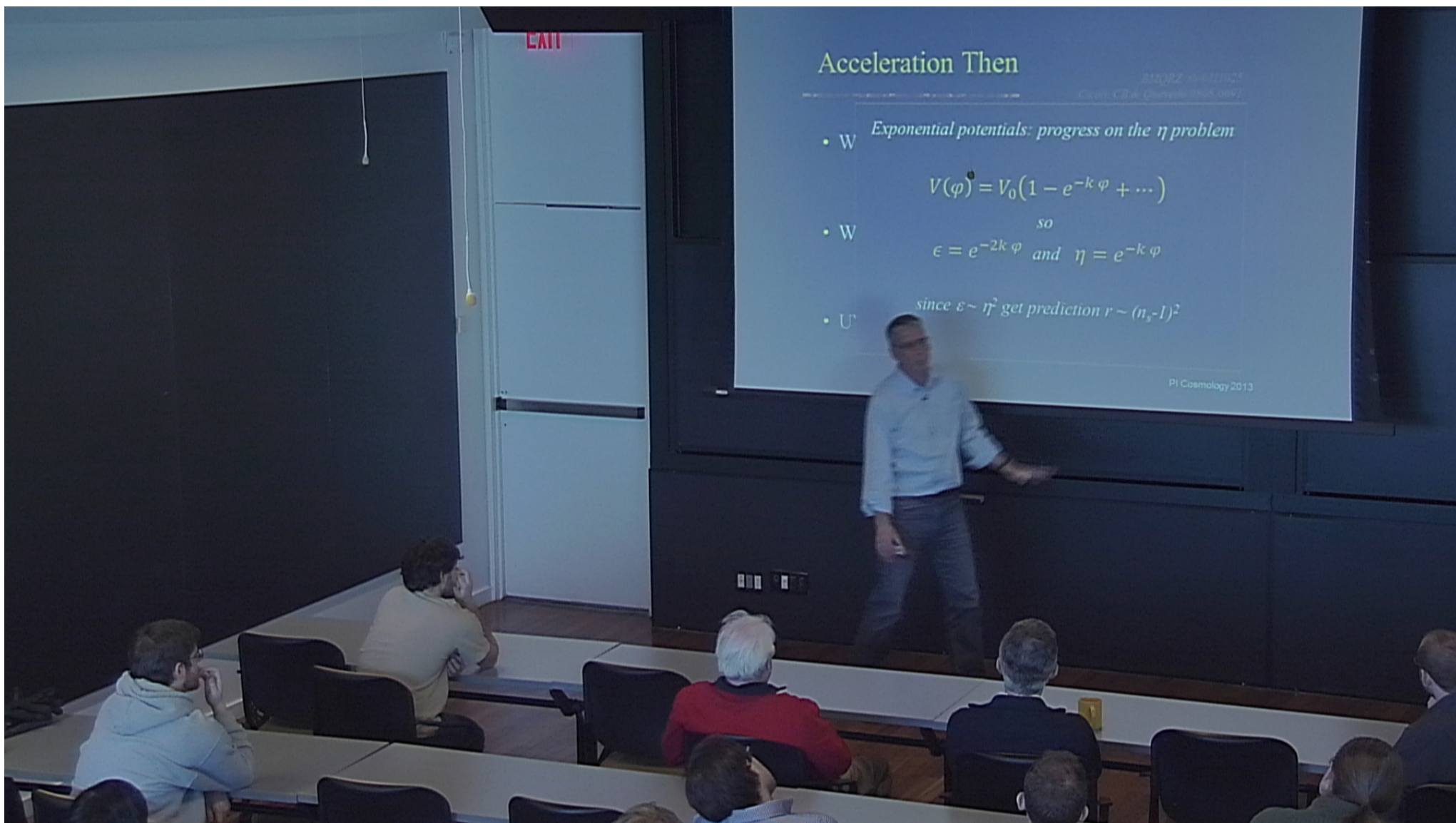
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$$\epsilon = e^{-2k\varphi} \text{ and } \eta = e^{-k\varphi}$$

so slow roll is same as large field

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since $\epsilon \sim \eta^2$ get prediction $r \sim (n_s - 1)^2$

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Acceleration Then

- Where most agree
- What the data likes
- UV information?

Acceleration Then

Giddings, Kachru & Polchinski 2001
KKLMMT th/0308055

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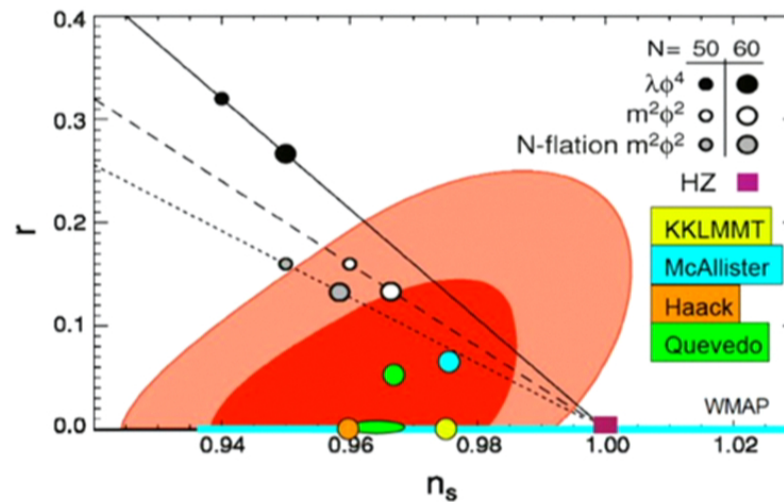
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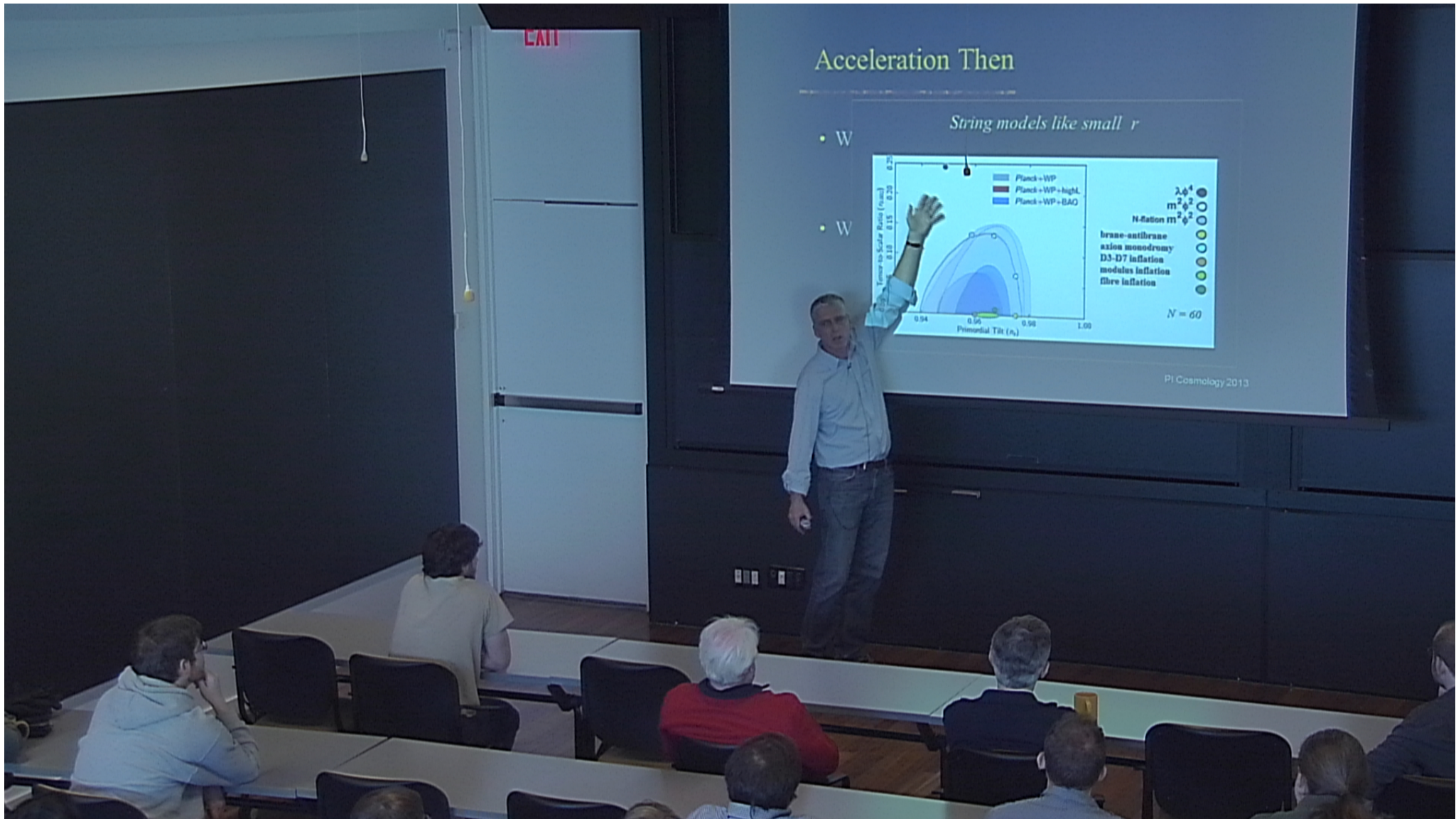
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J. Polchinski ICHEP 08 summary talk

34th International Conference on High Energy Physics, Philadelphia, 2008



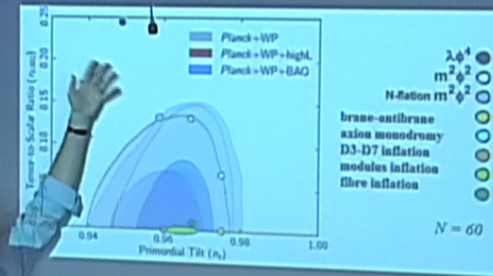
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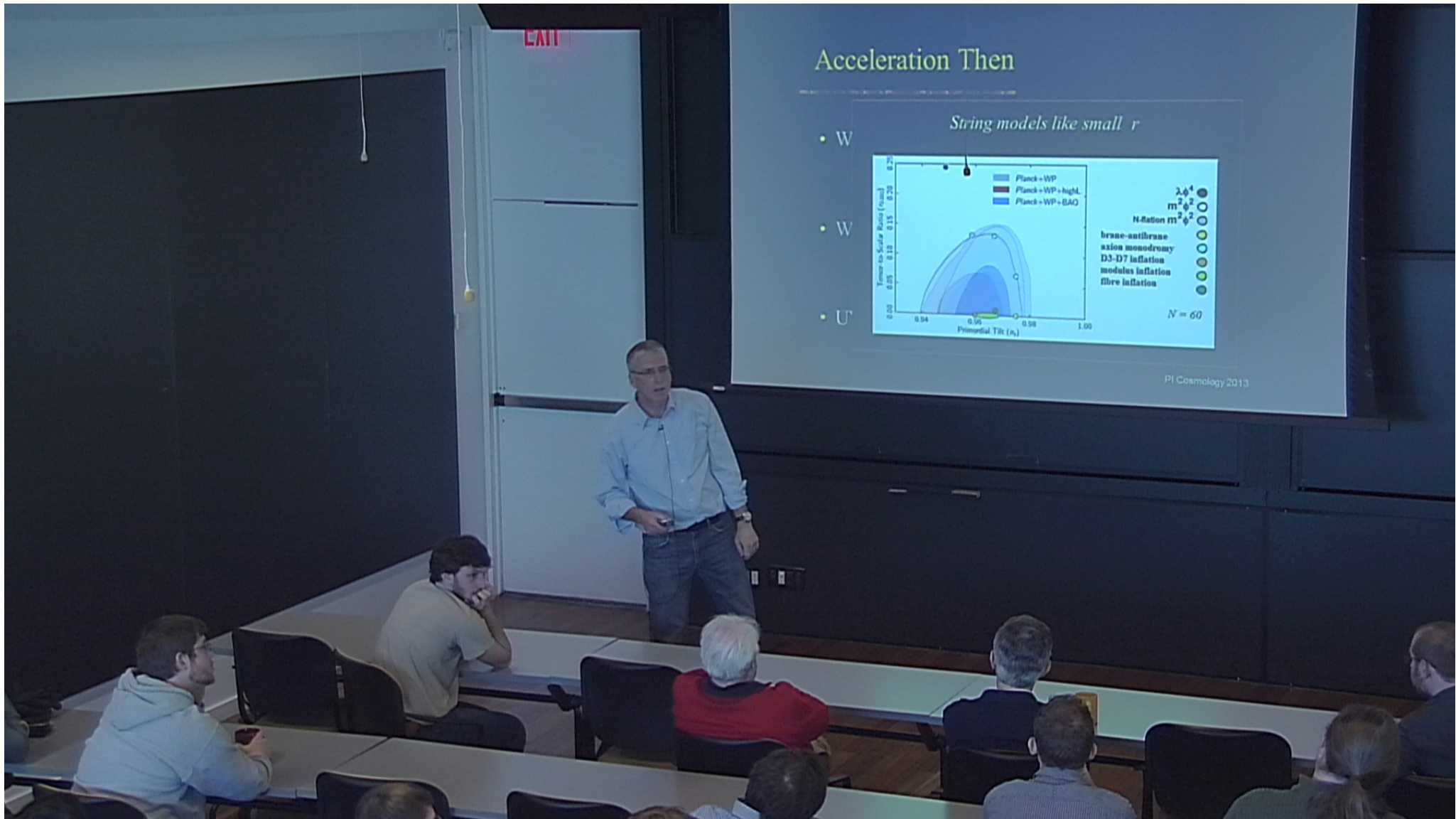
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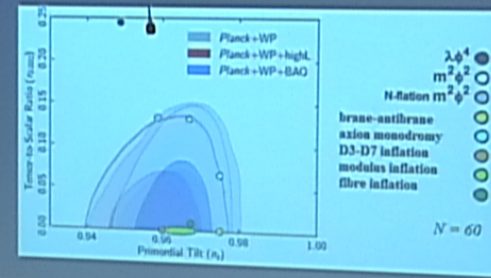
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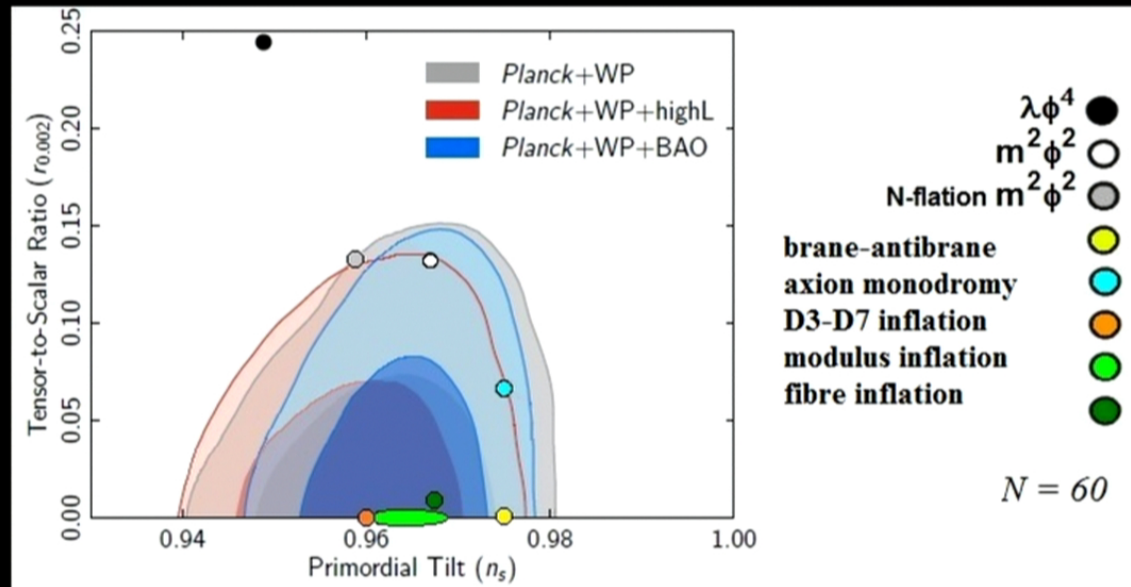
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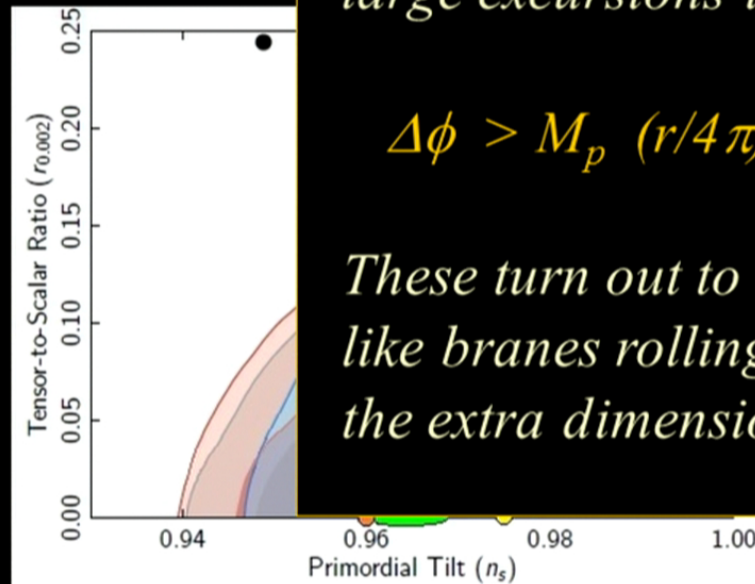
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Usually large r corresponds to large excursions in field space

$$\Delta\phi > M_p (r/4\pi)^{1/2} \quad (\text{Lyth})$$

These turn out to require things like branes rolling further than the extra dimensions are large.

Acceleration Then

BMQRZ th/0111025

Conlon & Quevedo th/0509012

Cicoli, CB & Quevedo 0808.0691

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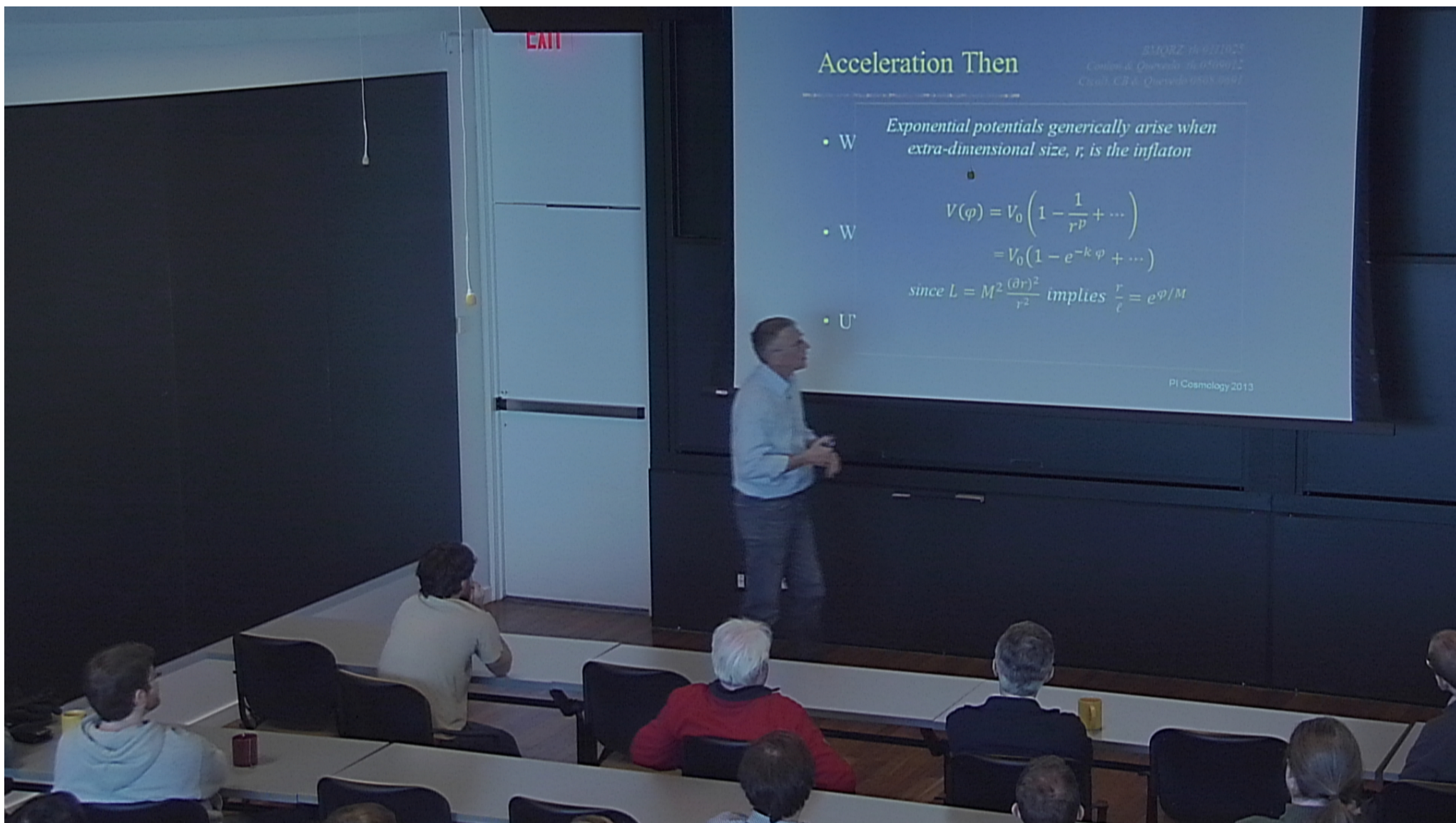
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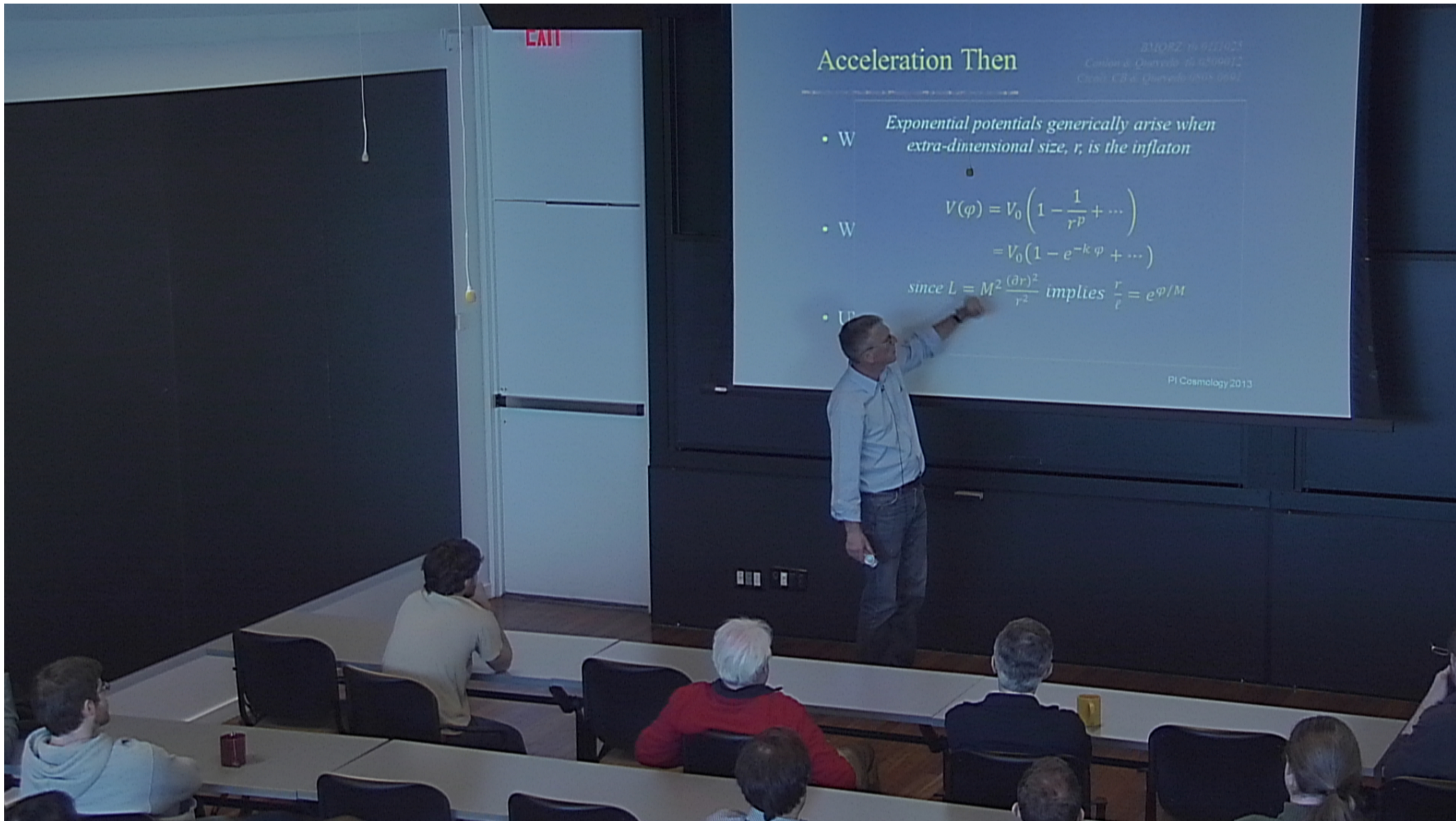
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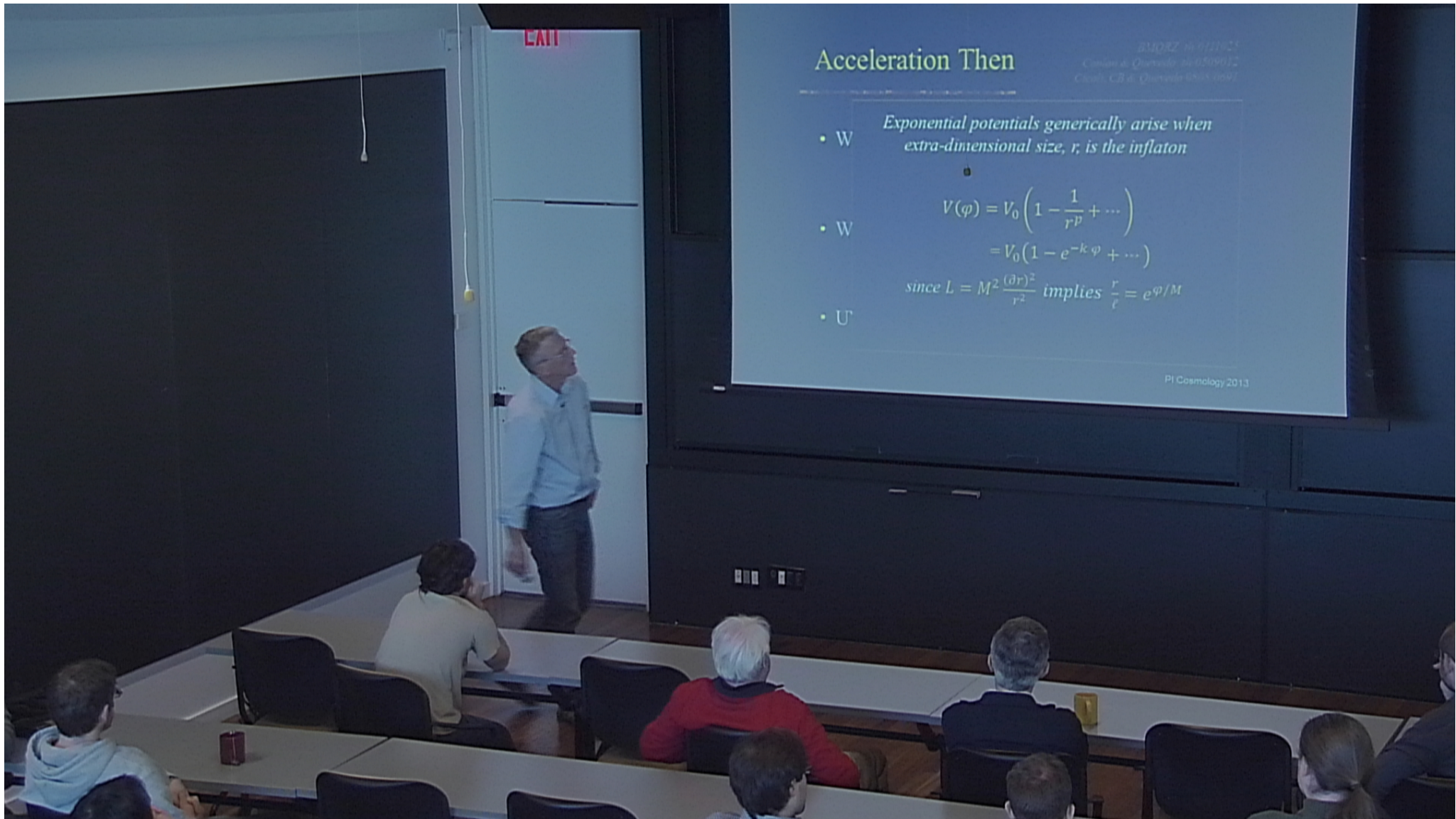
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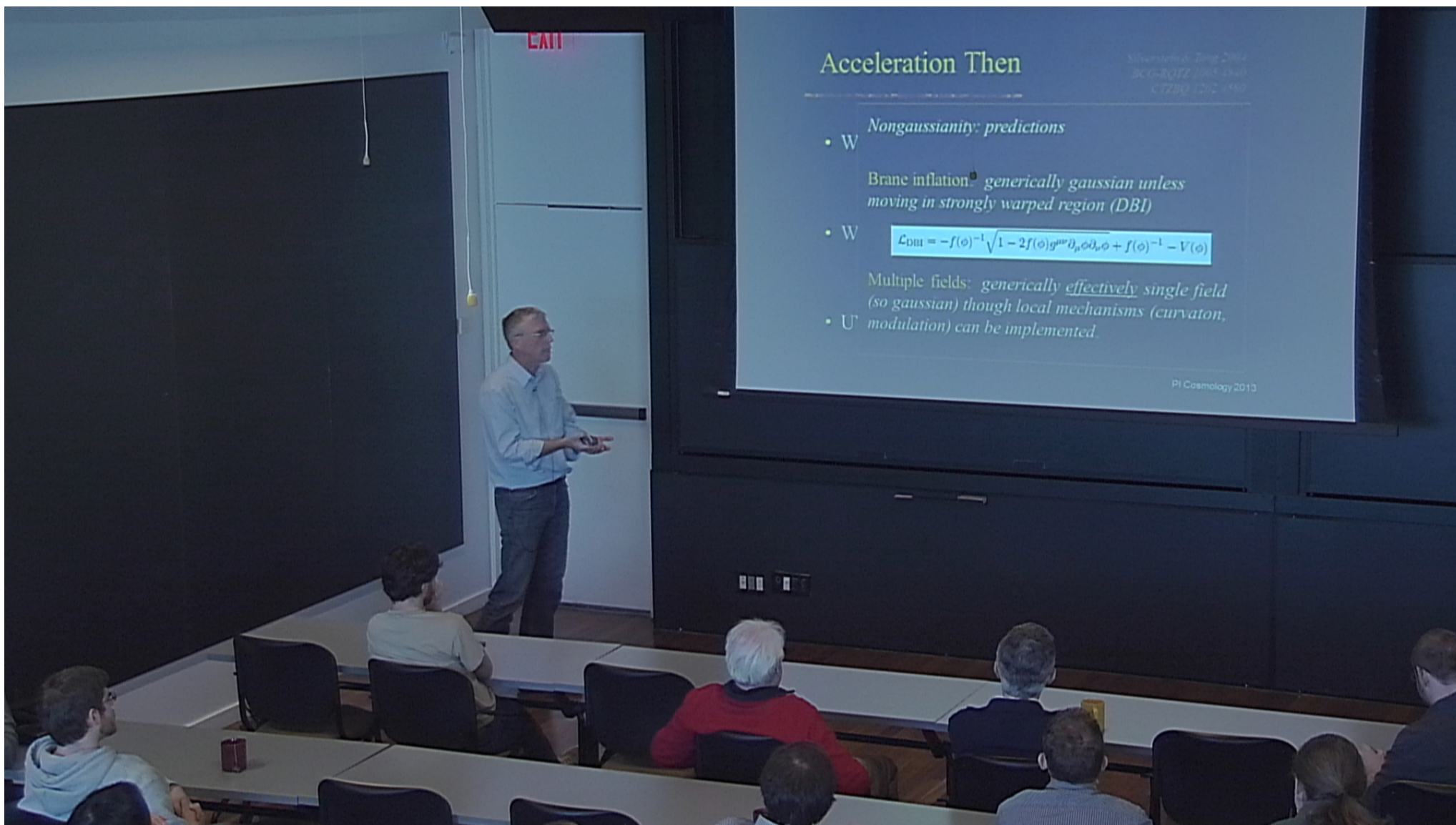
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Silverstein & Zang 2007
BCG-RSTZ 2005, 2010
CTZBQ 2002, 2010

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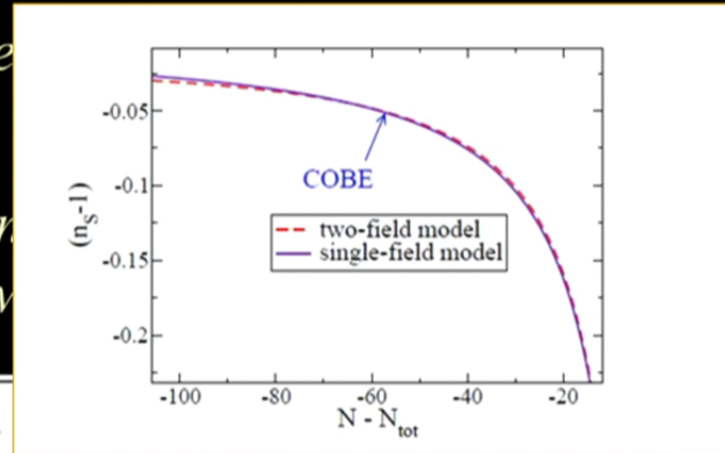
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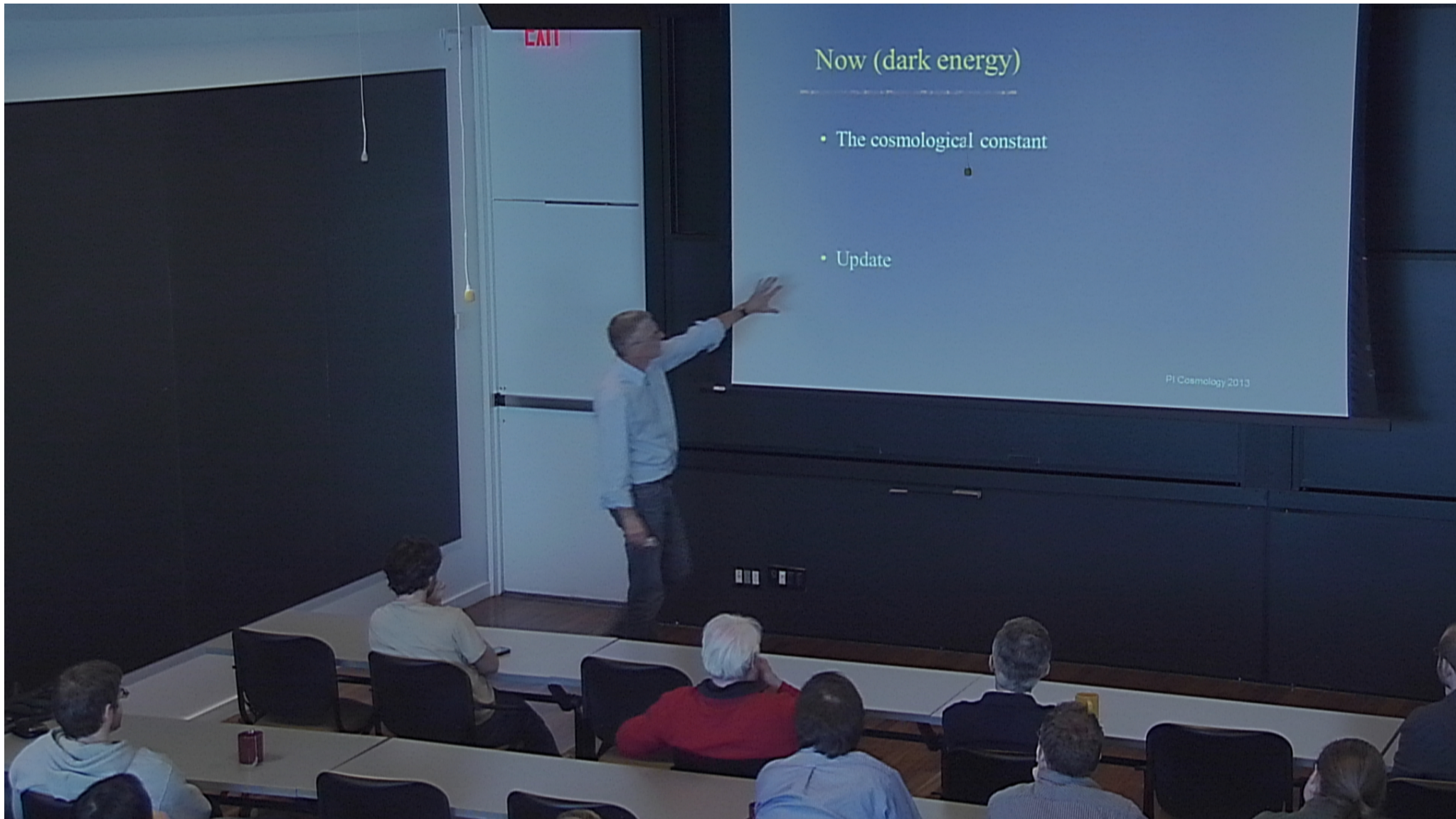
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Now

*with L. van Nierop & M. Williams
and S. Parameswaran & A. Salvio,*

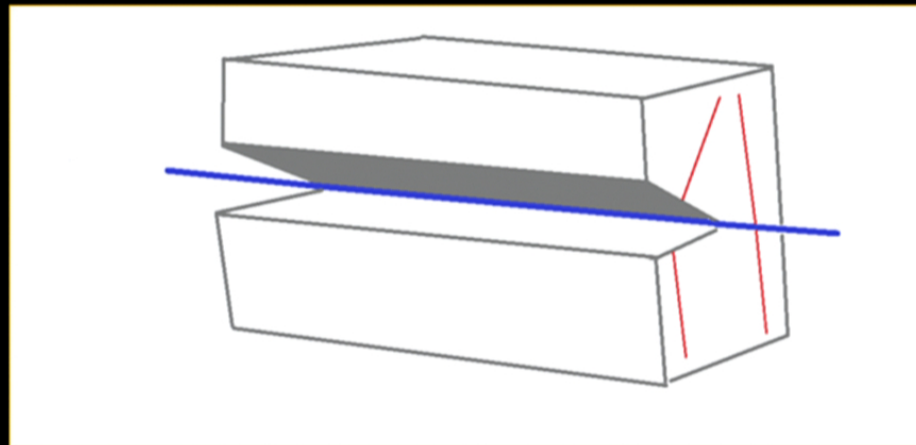




Now (dark energy)

Vilenkin

- The
- Towards a solution: *higher dimensions can break this link between vacuum energy and curvature (eg cosmic string)*



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Chen, Luty & Ponton
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Aghababaie et al

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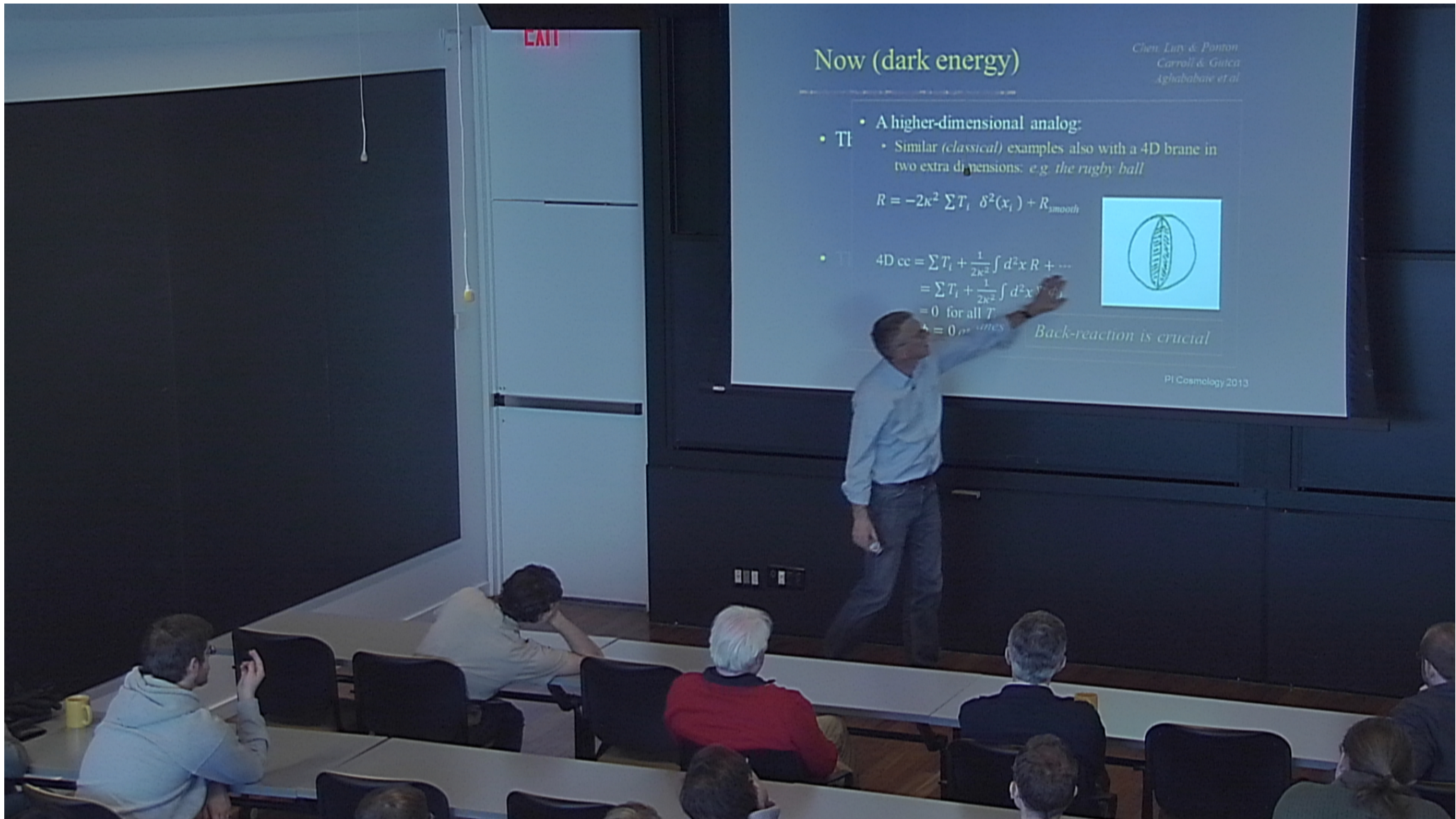
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Back-reaction is crucial

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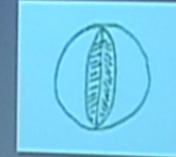


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$$\neq 0 \text{ in } \text{cases}$$

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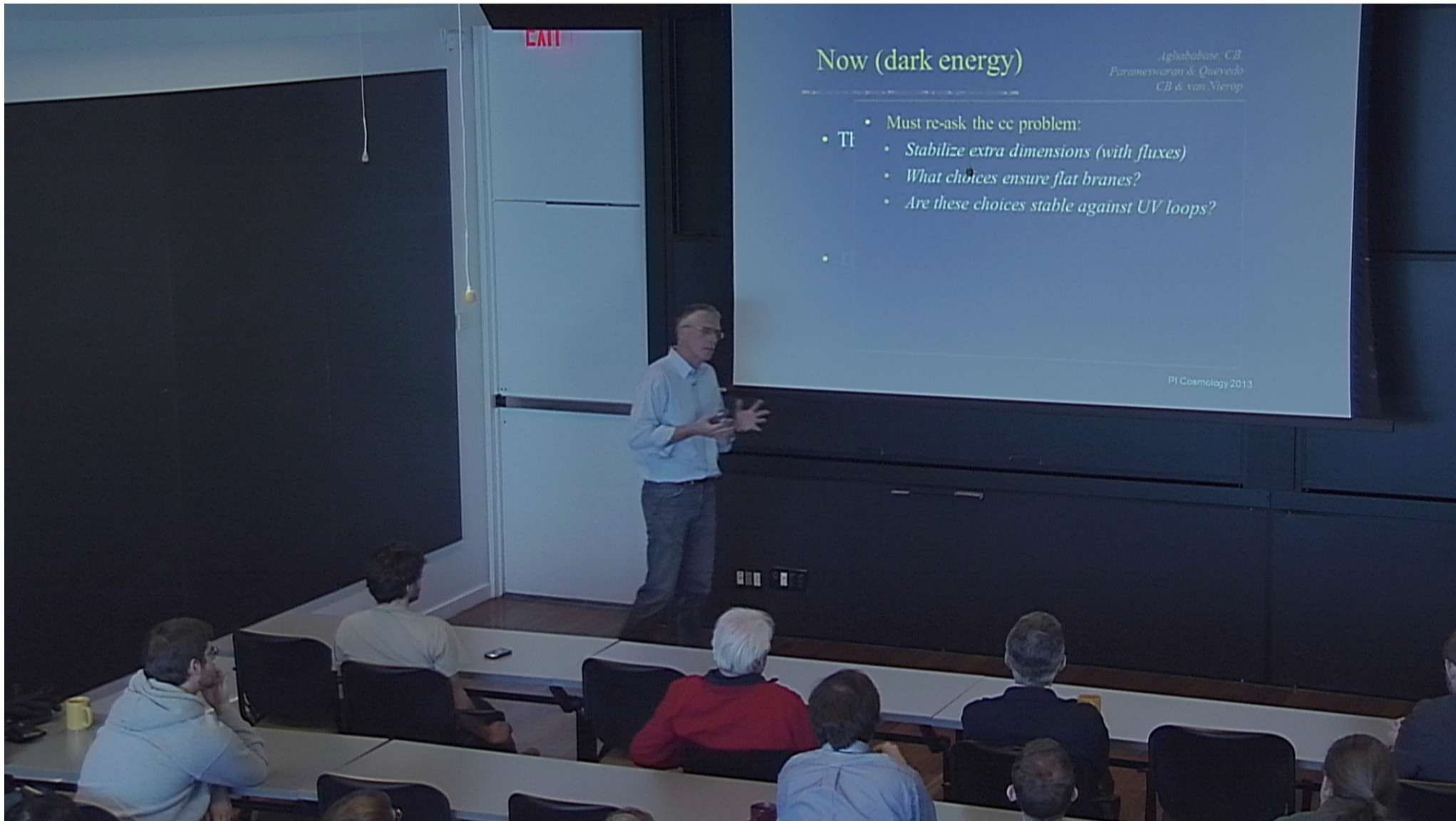
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CB & van Nieuw*

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 - Must re-ask the cc problem:
 - Stabilize extra dimensions (with fluxes)
 - What choices ensure flat branes?
 - Are these choices stable against UV loops?

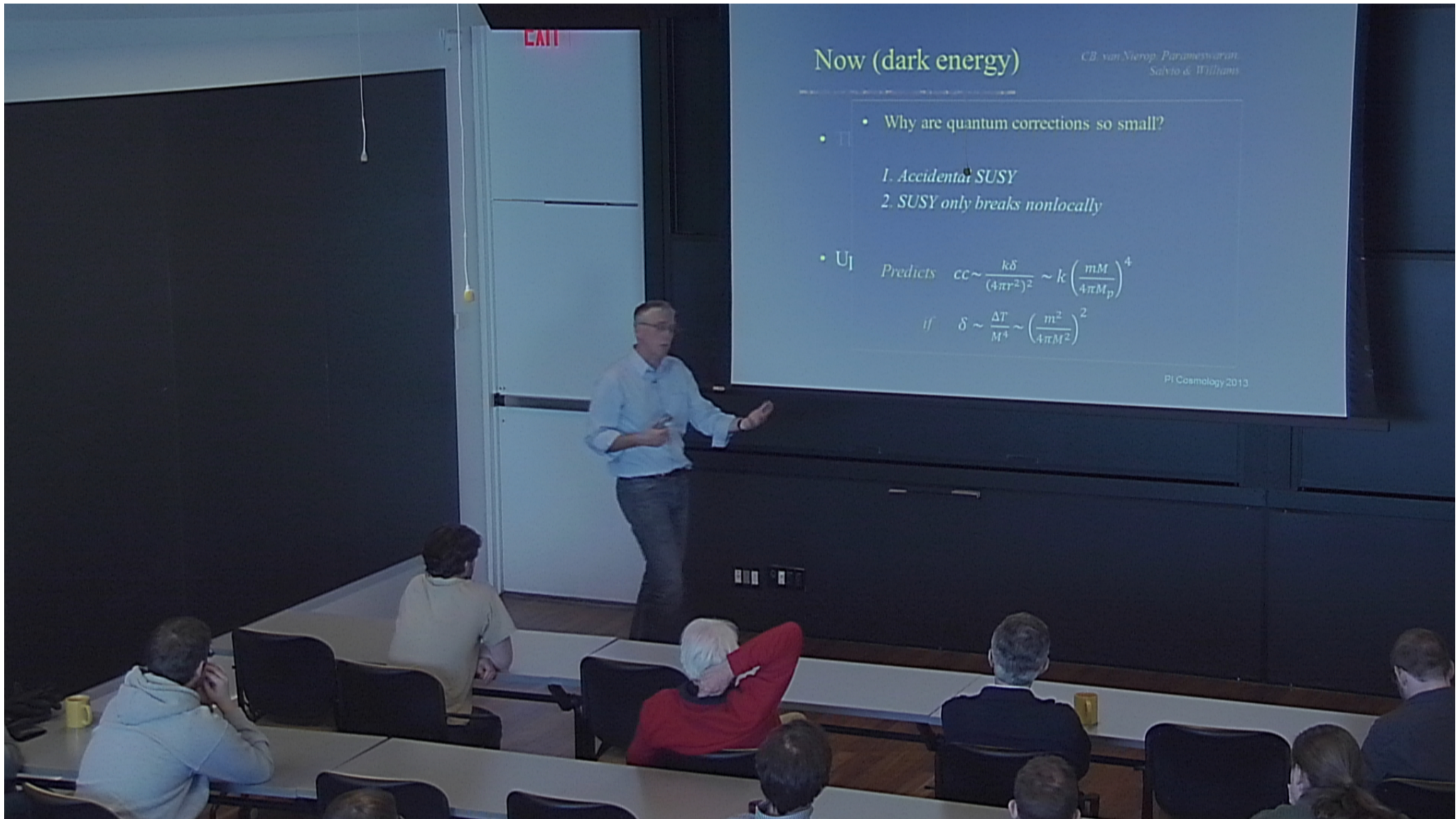
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CB & van Nierop

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- Must re-ask the cc problem:
 - Stabilize extra dimensions (with fluxes)
 - What choices ensure flat branes?
 - Are these choices stable against UV loops?
- Upshot:
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 - Generically: NO...BUT
 - BUT, with supersymmetric bulk can have $cc \sim KK \text{ scale} \ll \text{scale } m \text{ on branes}$

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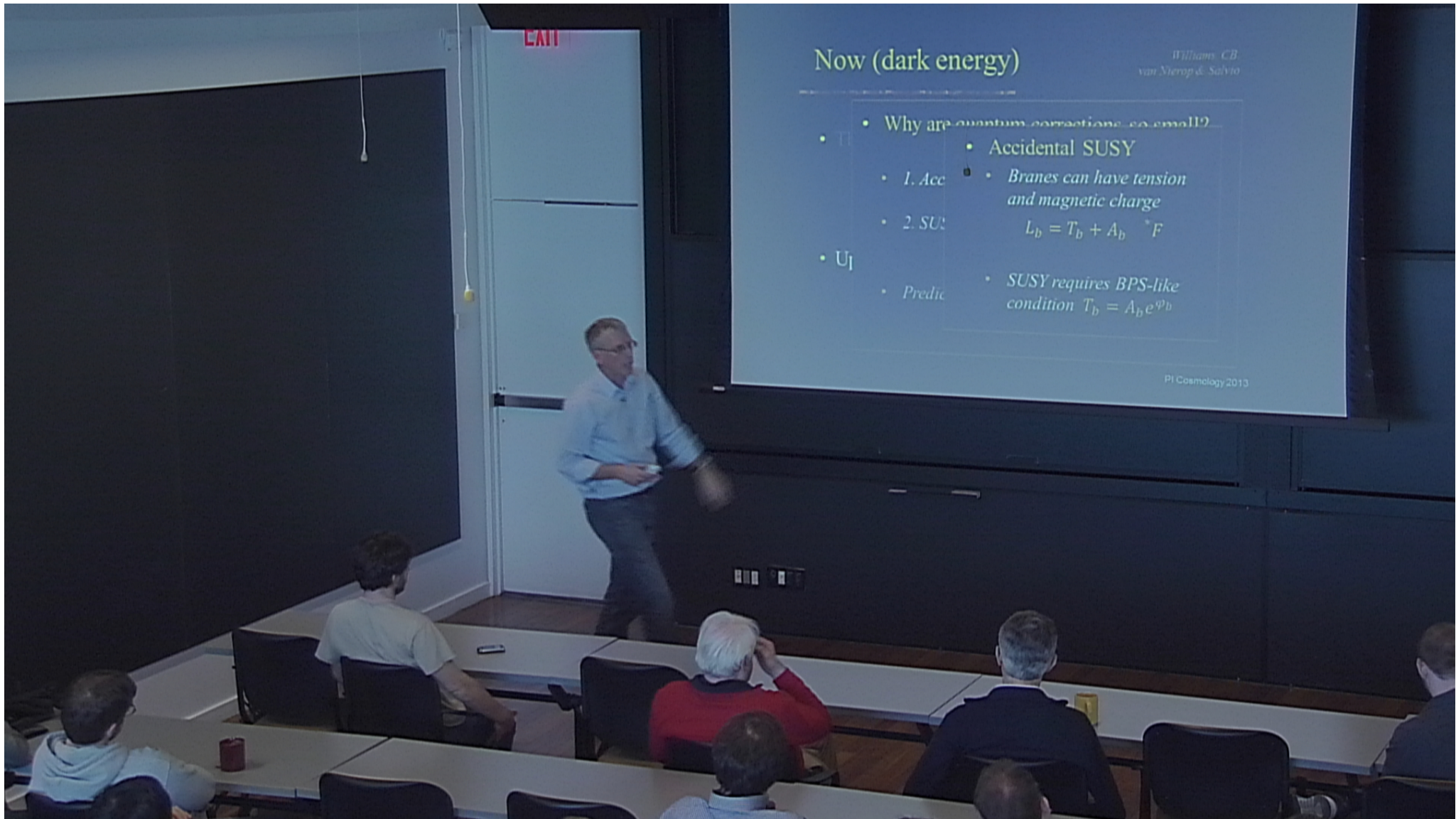
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Flat direction of
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“...when you have eliminated the impossible, whatever remains, however improbable, must be the truth.”

A. Conan Doyle