

Composite Inflation

“Walking Dilaton and Waterfall Pion”

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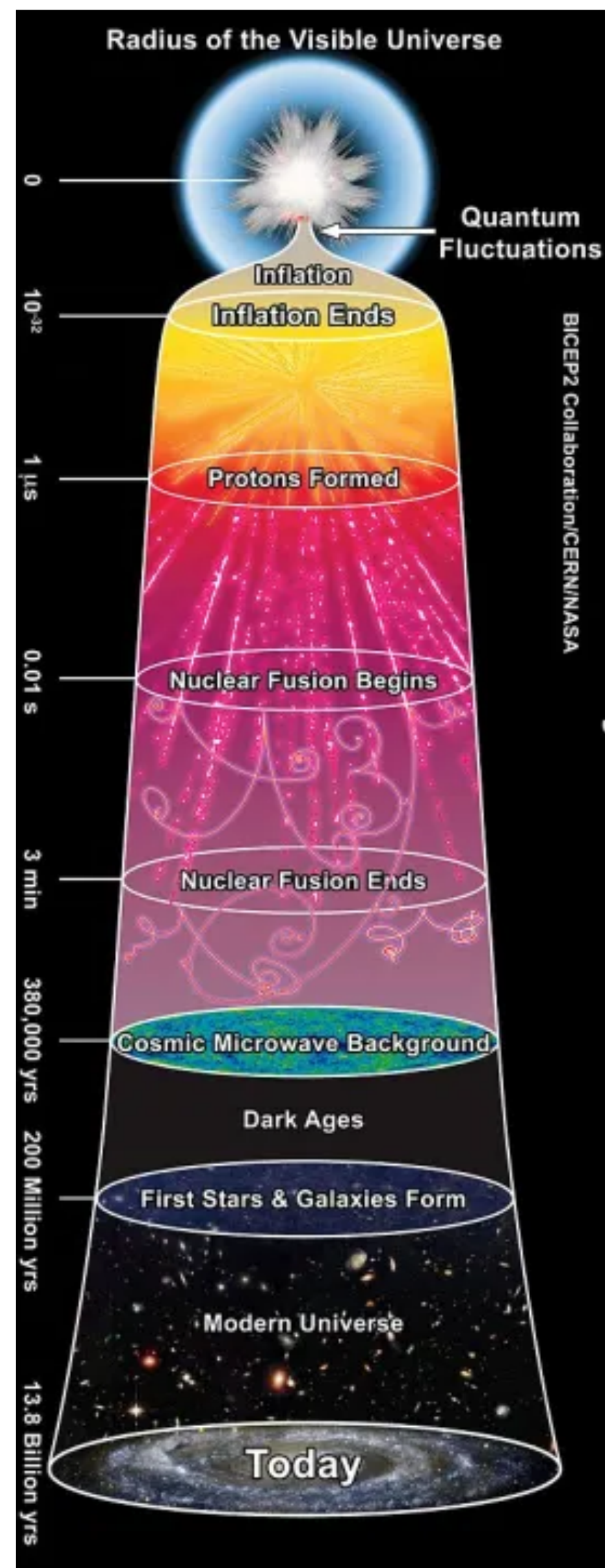


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Introduction



Initial Conditions for our Hot Big Bang

Horizon Problem

Flatness Problem

Inflation, “*Exponential Expansion*”

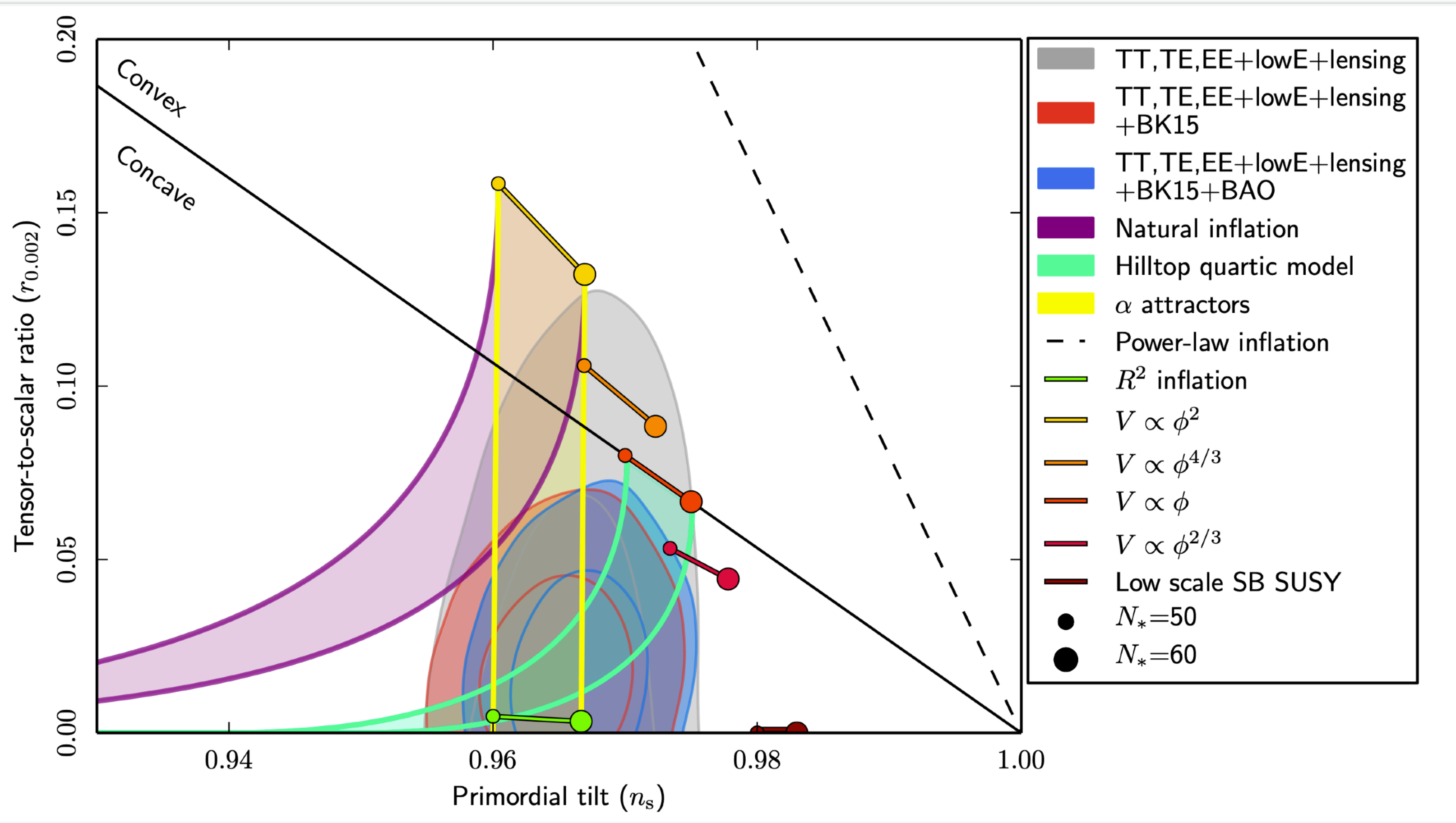
Duration : $N_e = \ln(a_e/a_*) \sim 60$

Quantum Fluctuations in CMB

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- CMB observations allow precision tests to inflationary models

Characterized by *slow-roll parameters*



[Planck Collaboration., arXiv:1807.06211]

$$\epsilon \equiv -\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} = \frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{2H^2}$$

$$\eta \equiv -\frac{\ddot{\phi}}{\dot{\phi}H}$$

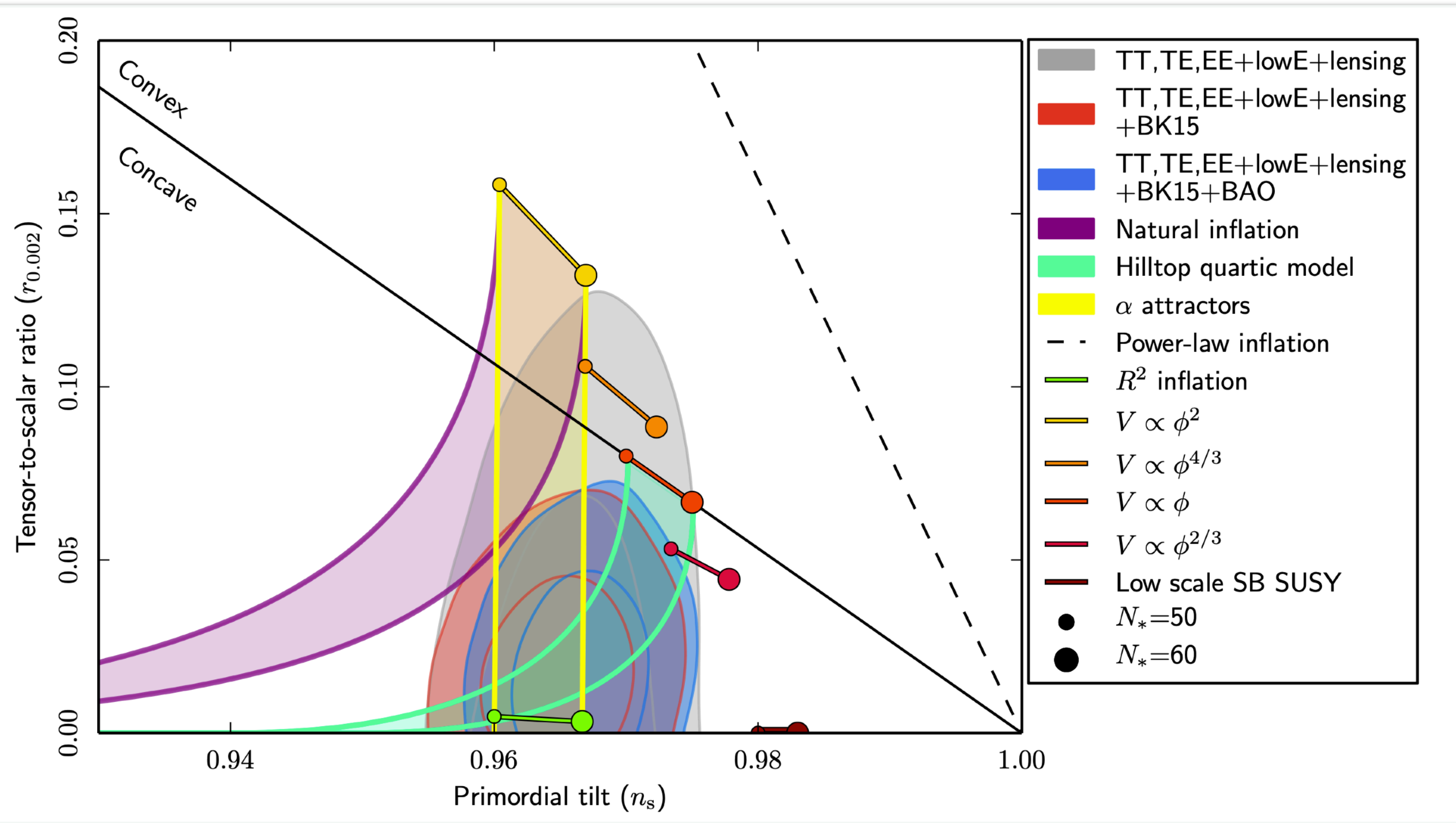
$$\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}} \simeq \frac{V}{24\pi^2 M_P^4 \epsilon}$$

$$n_s \simeq 1 - 6\epsilon + 2\eta$$

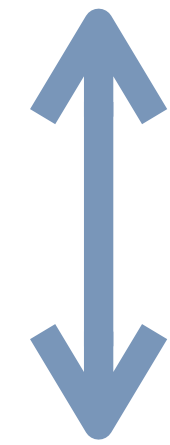
$$r \simeq 16\epsilon$$

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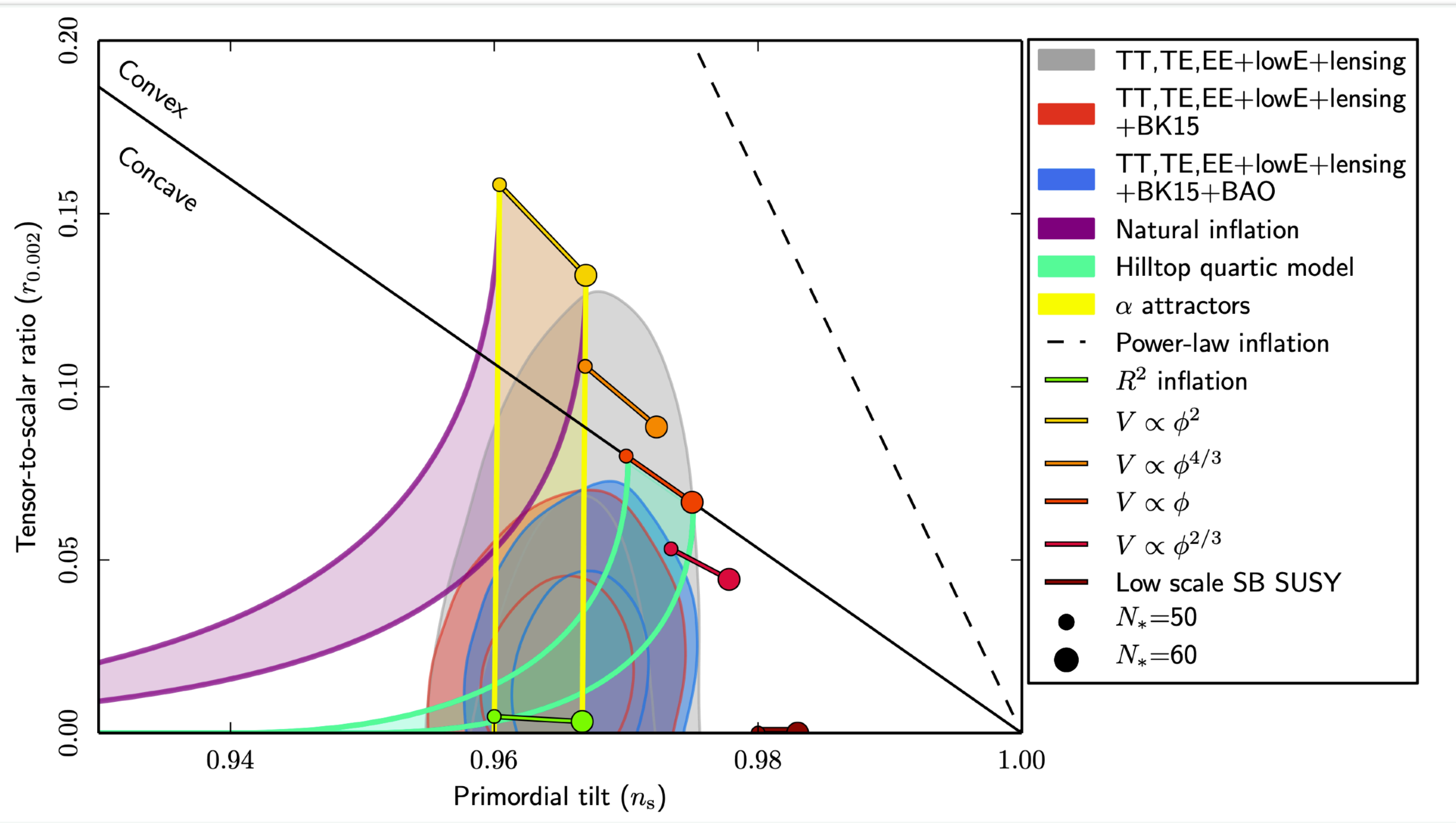
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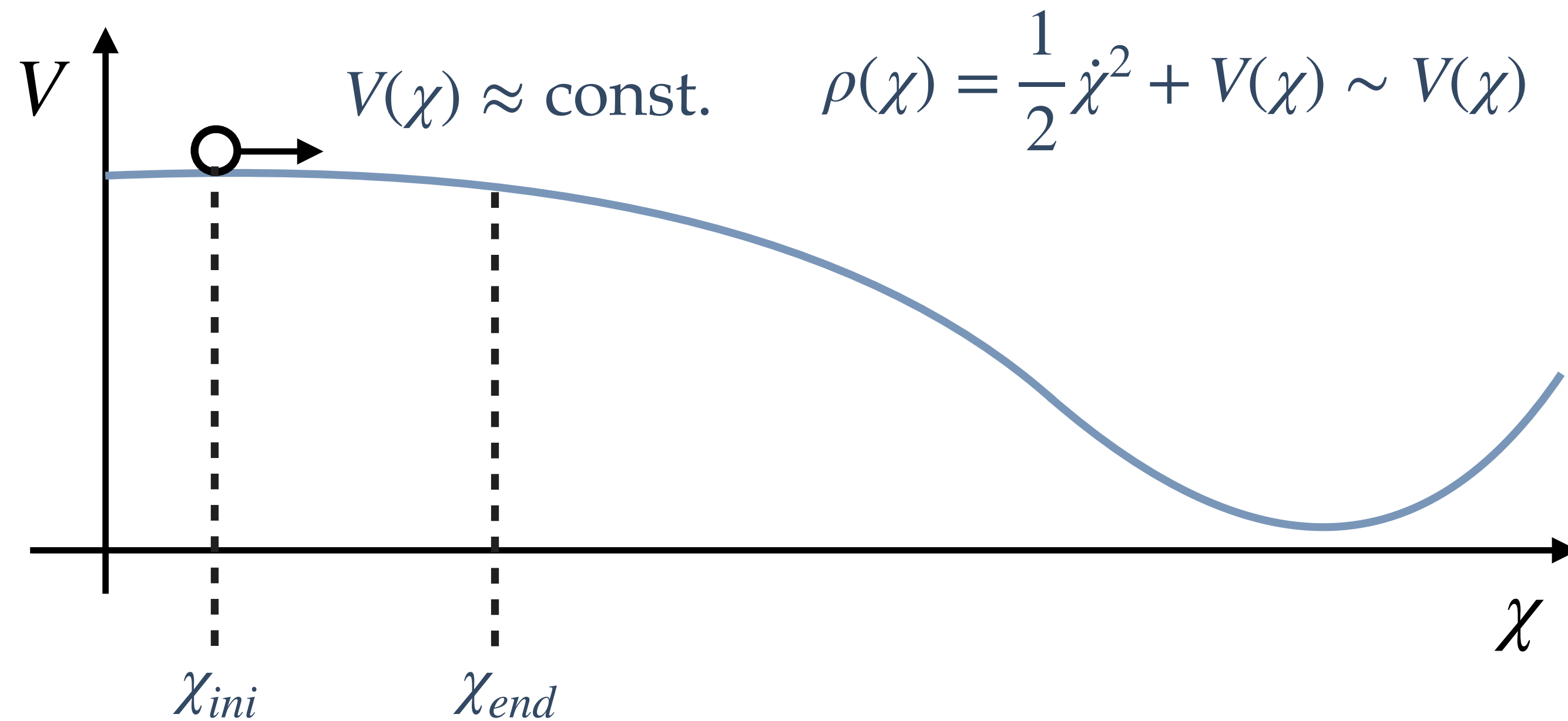
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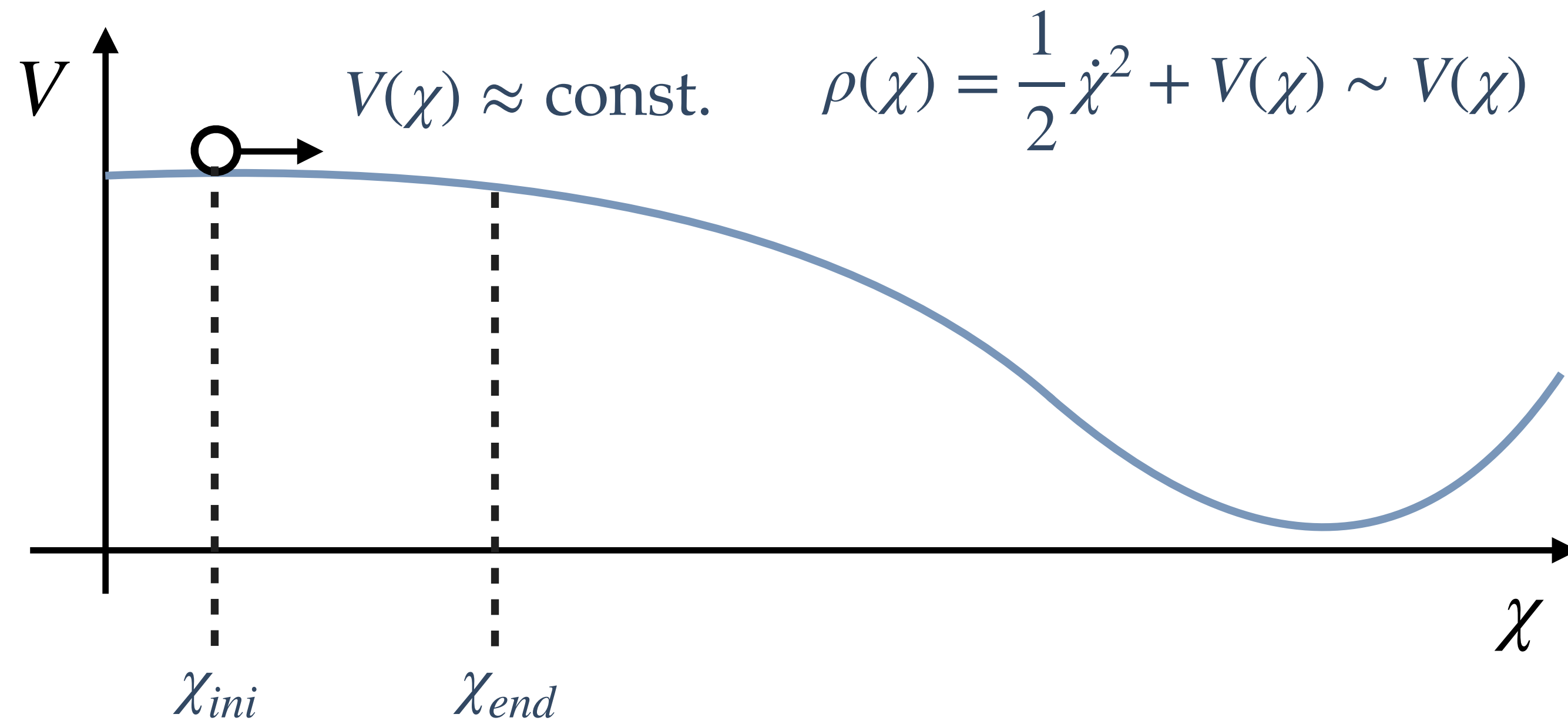
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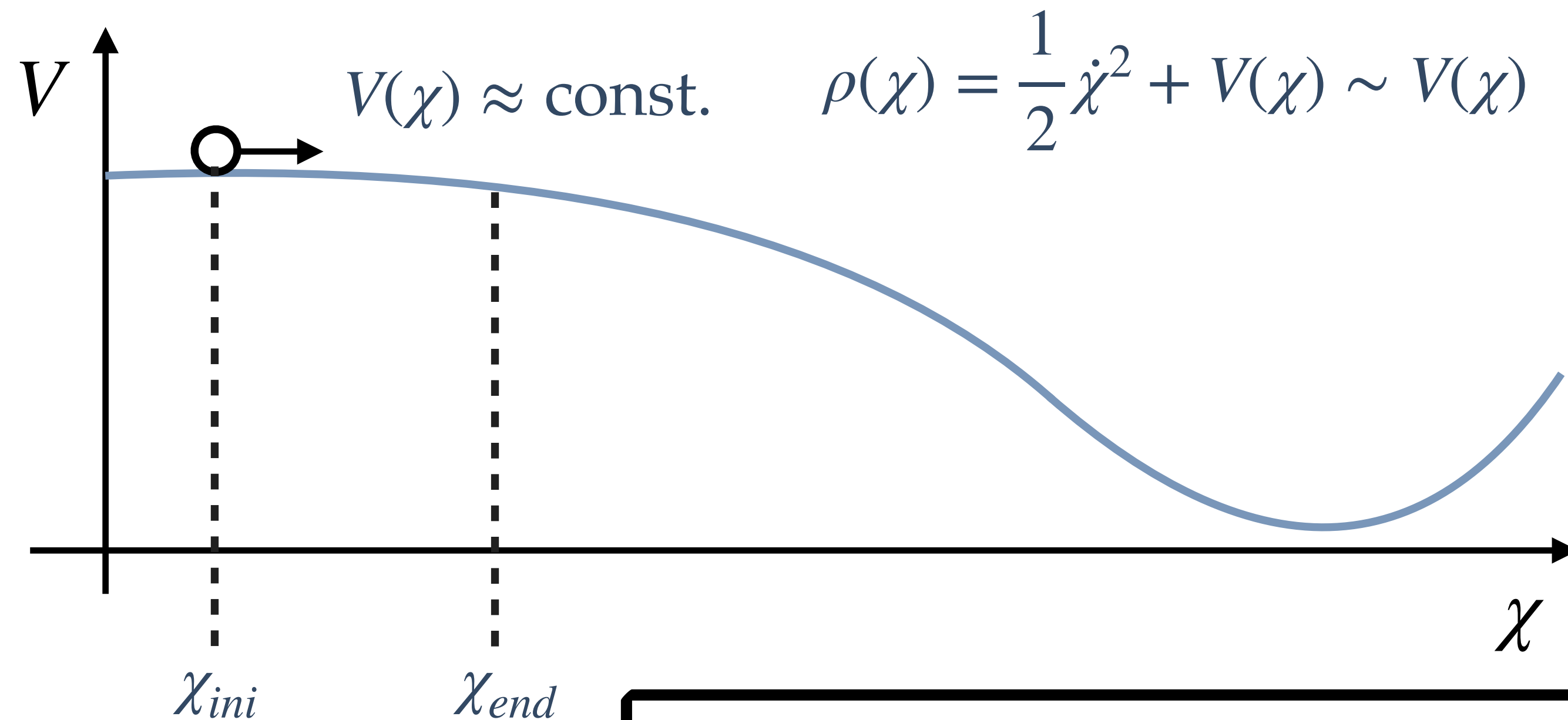


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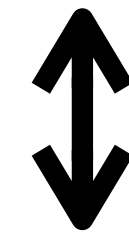
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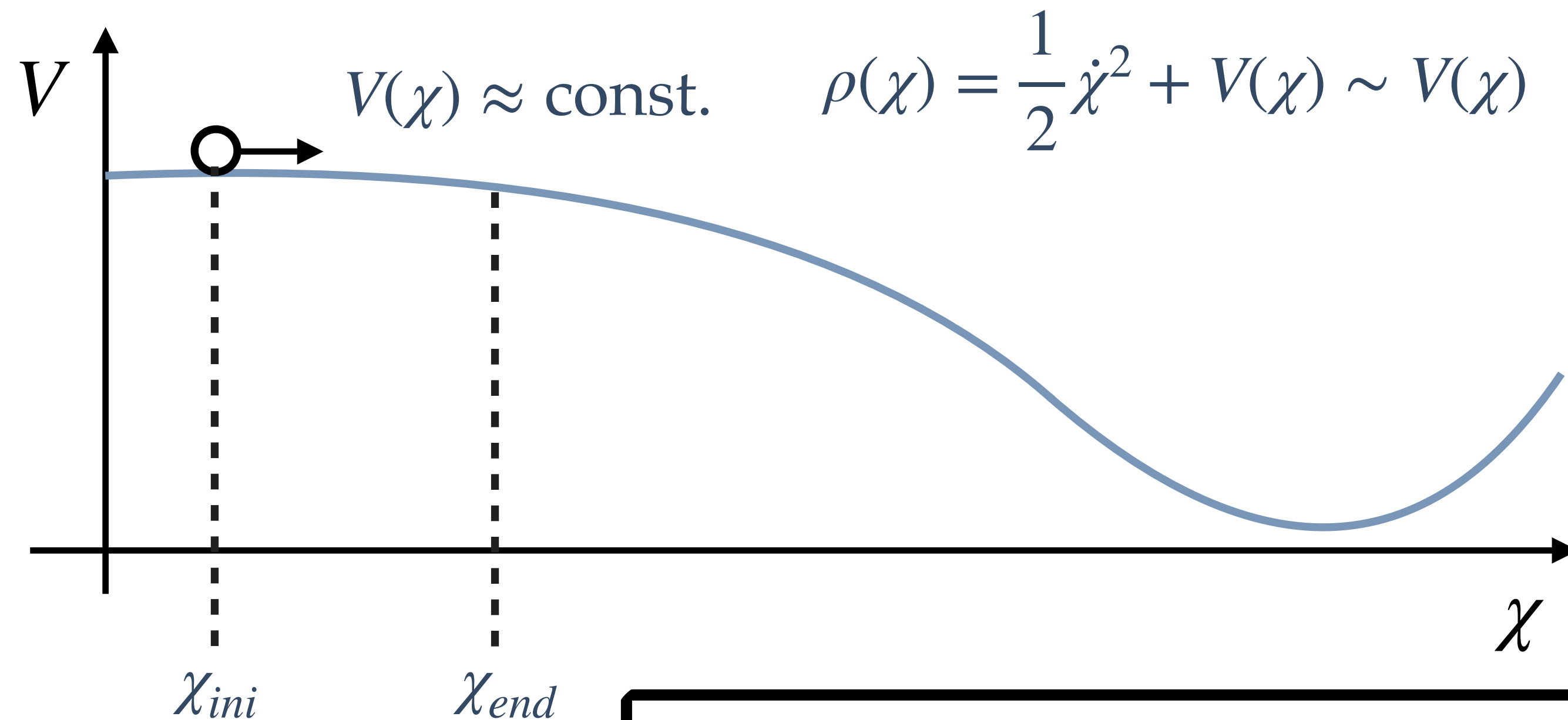


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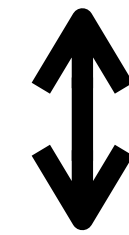
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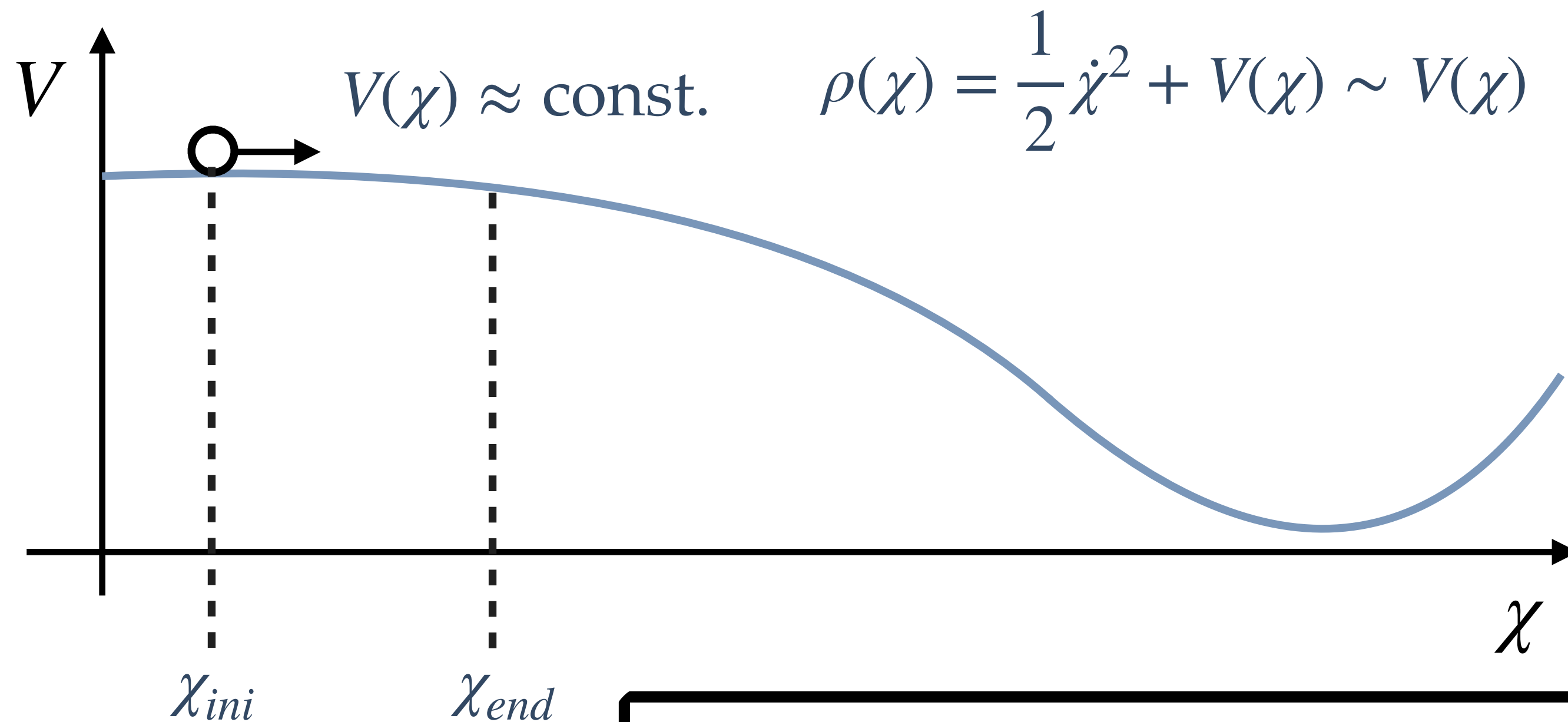
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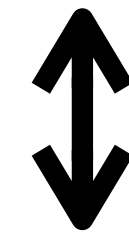
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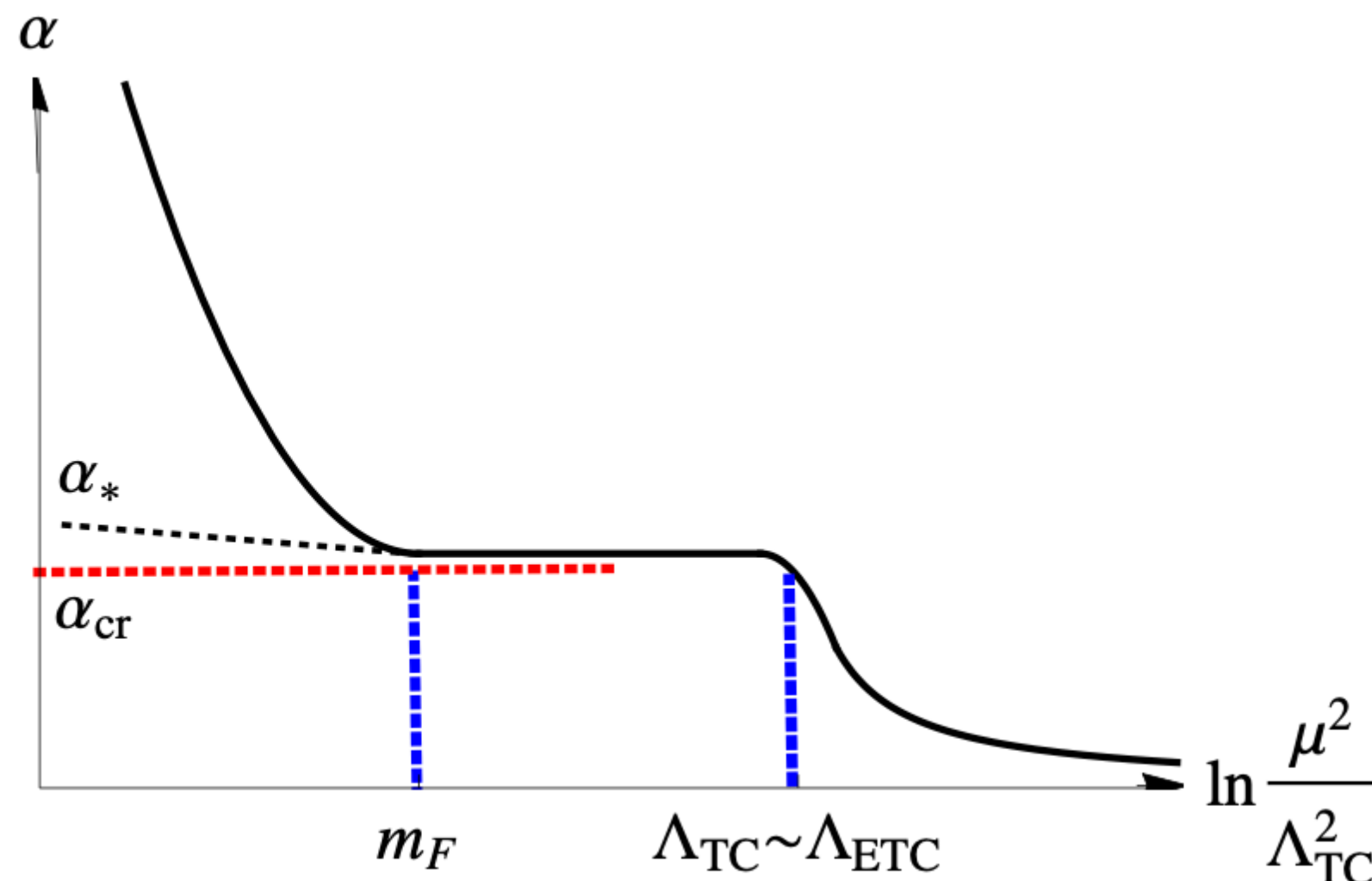


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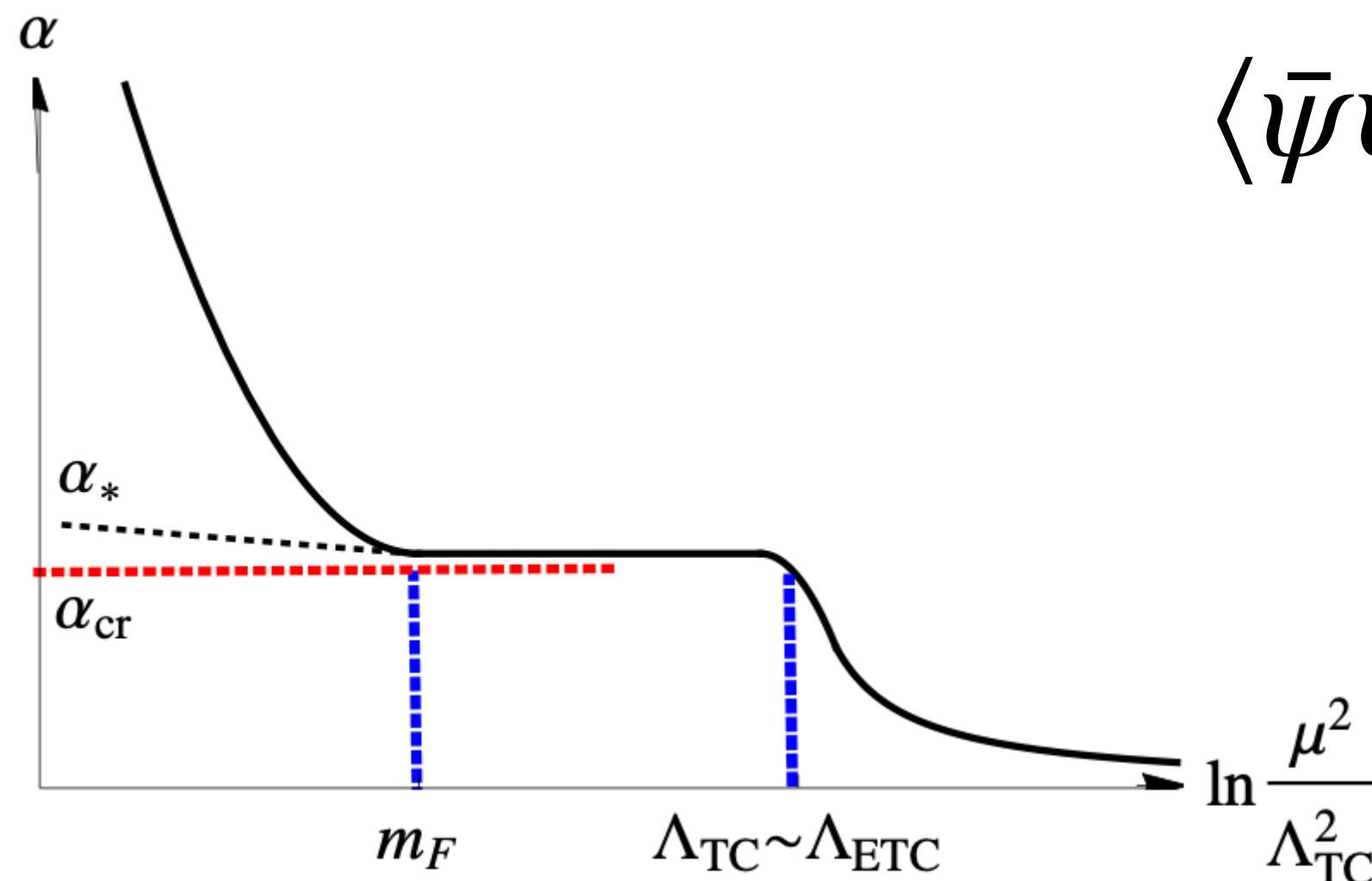


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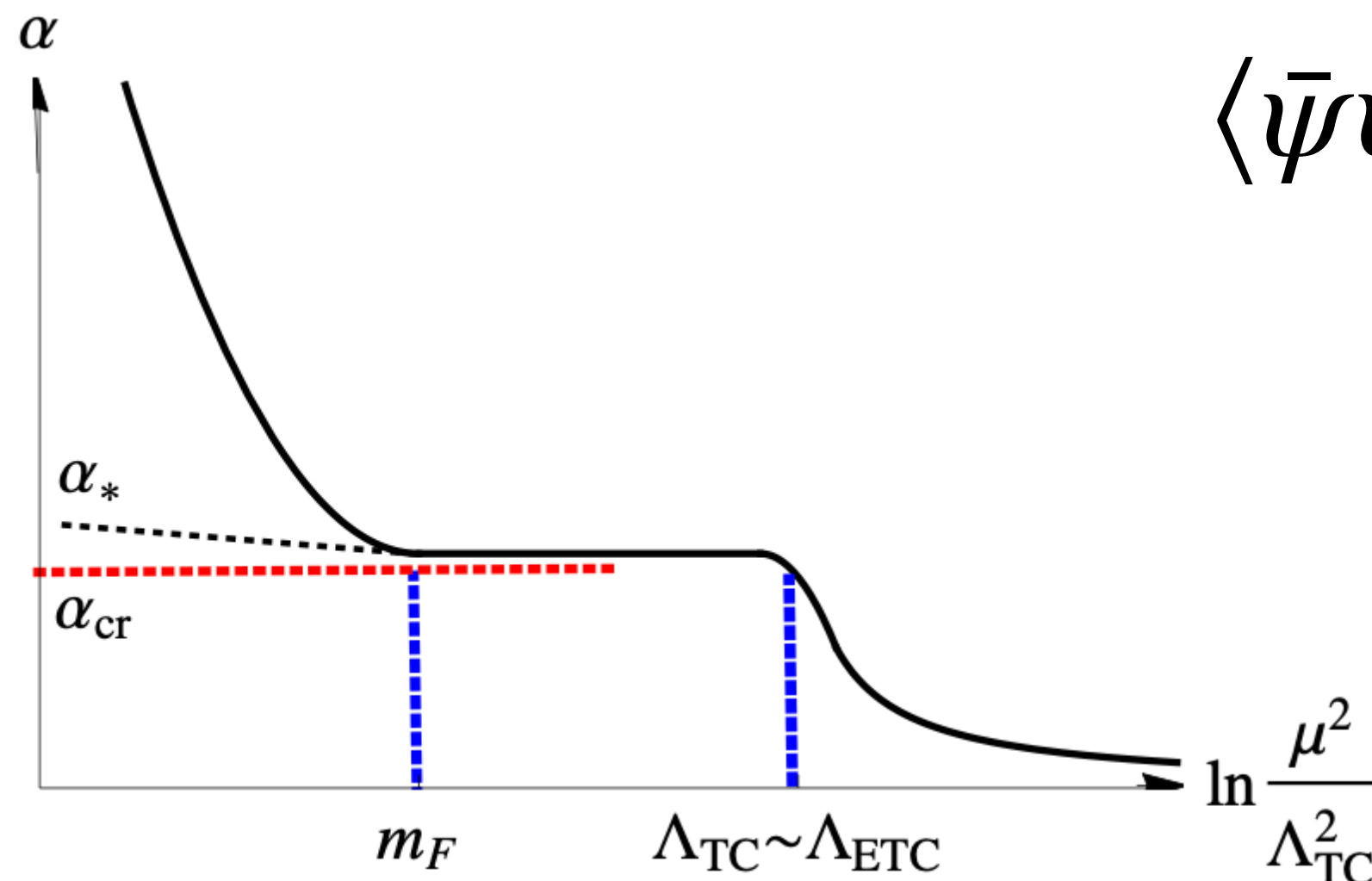


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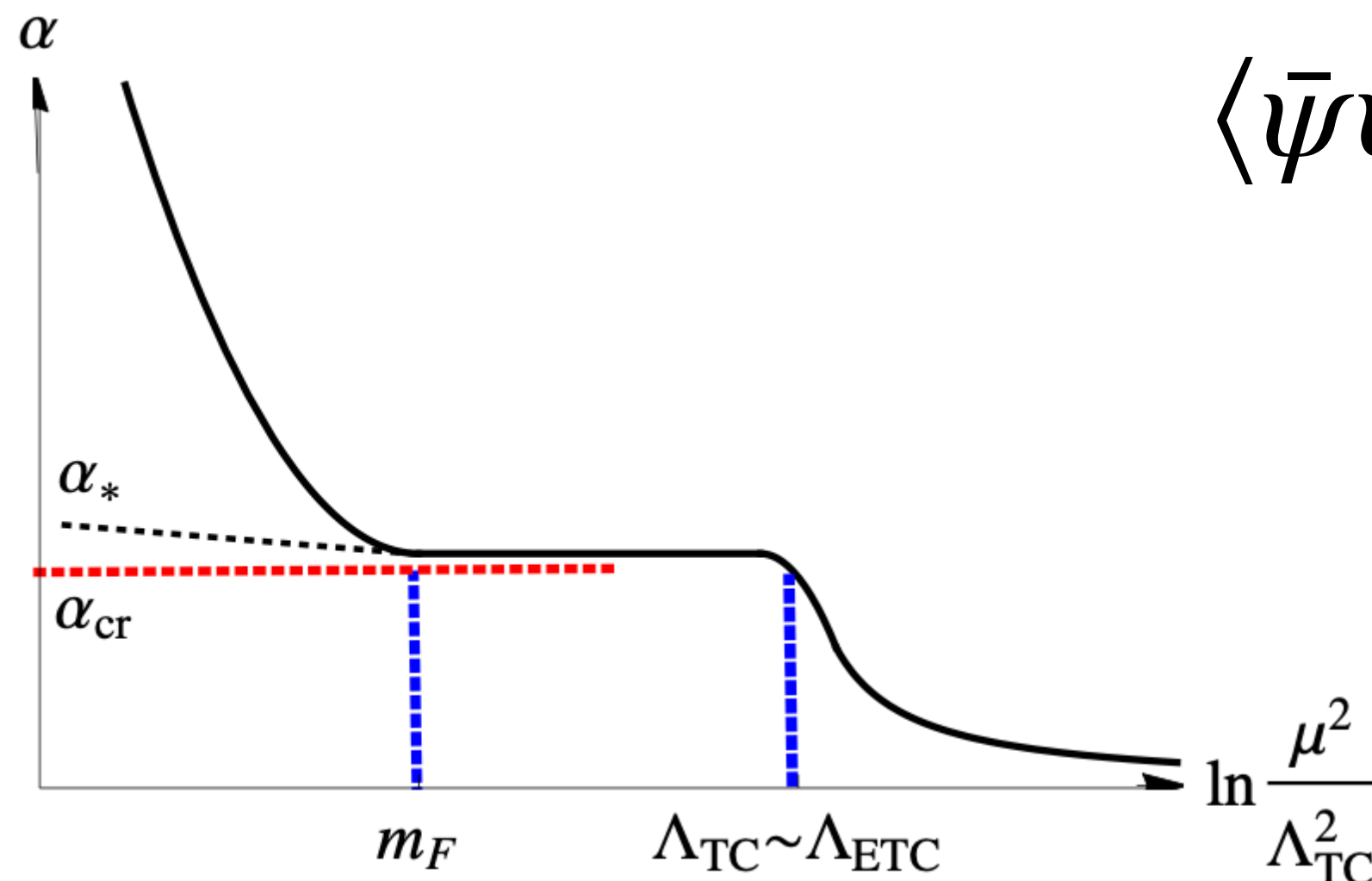


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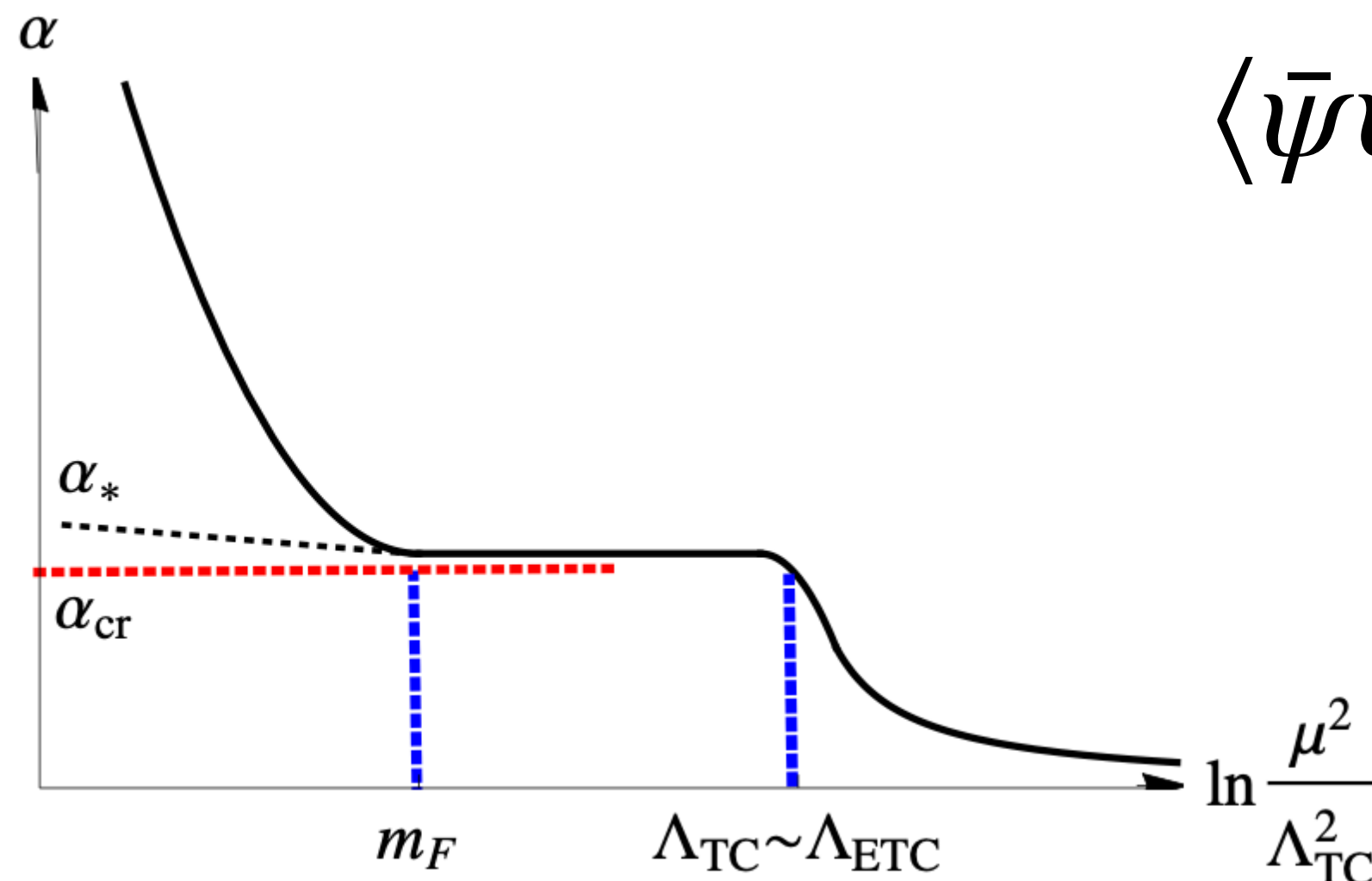


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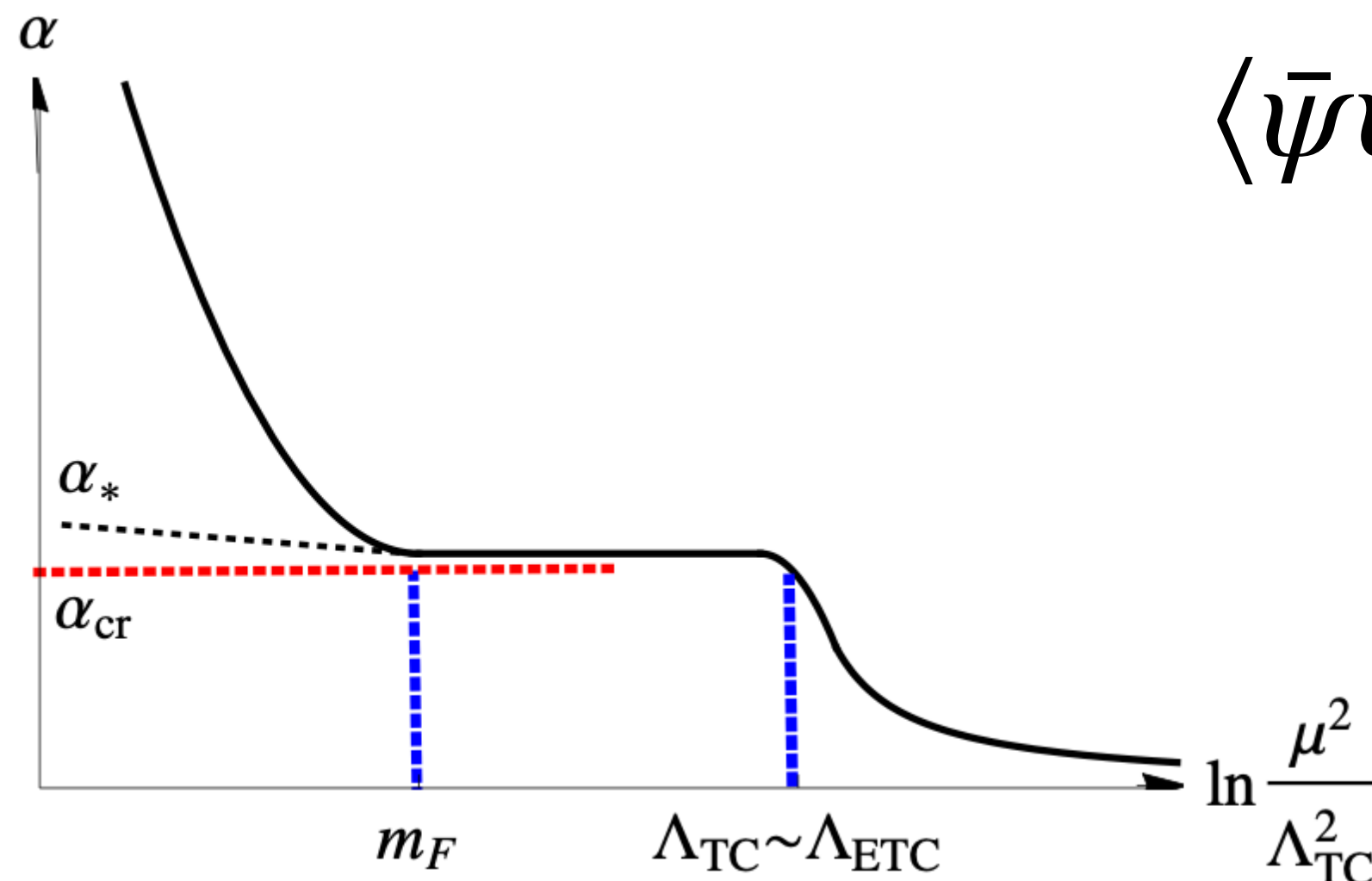


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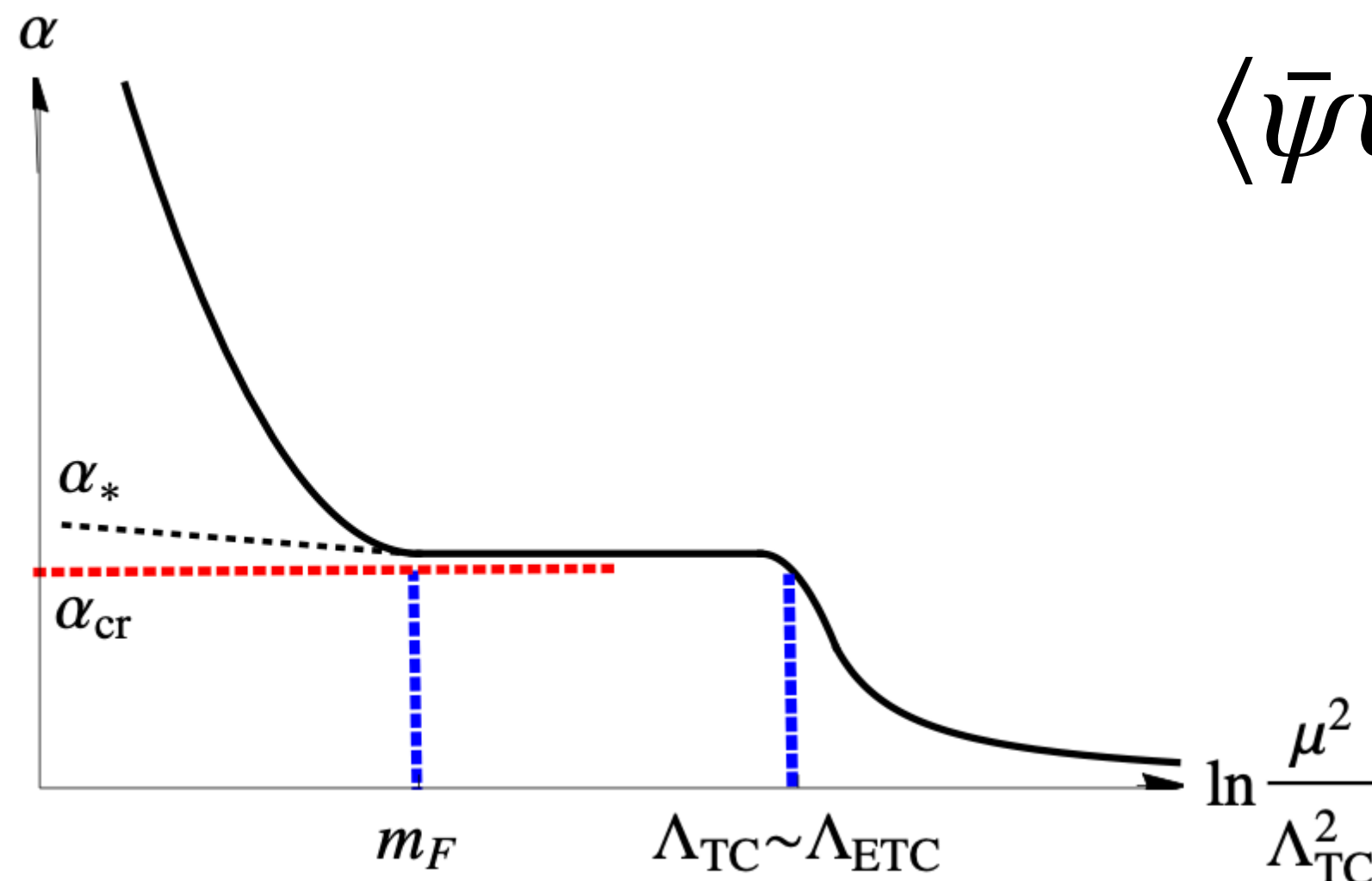


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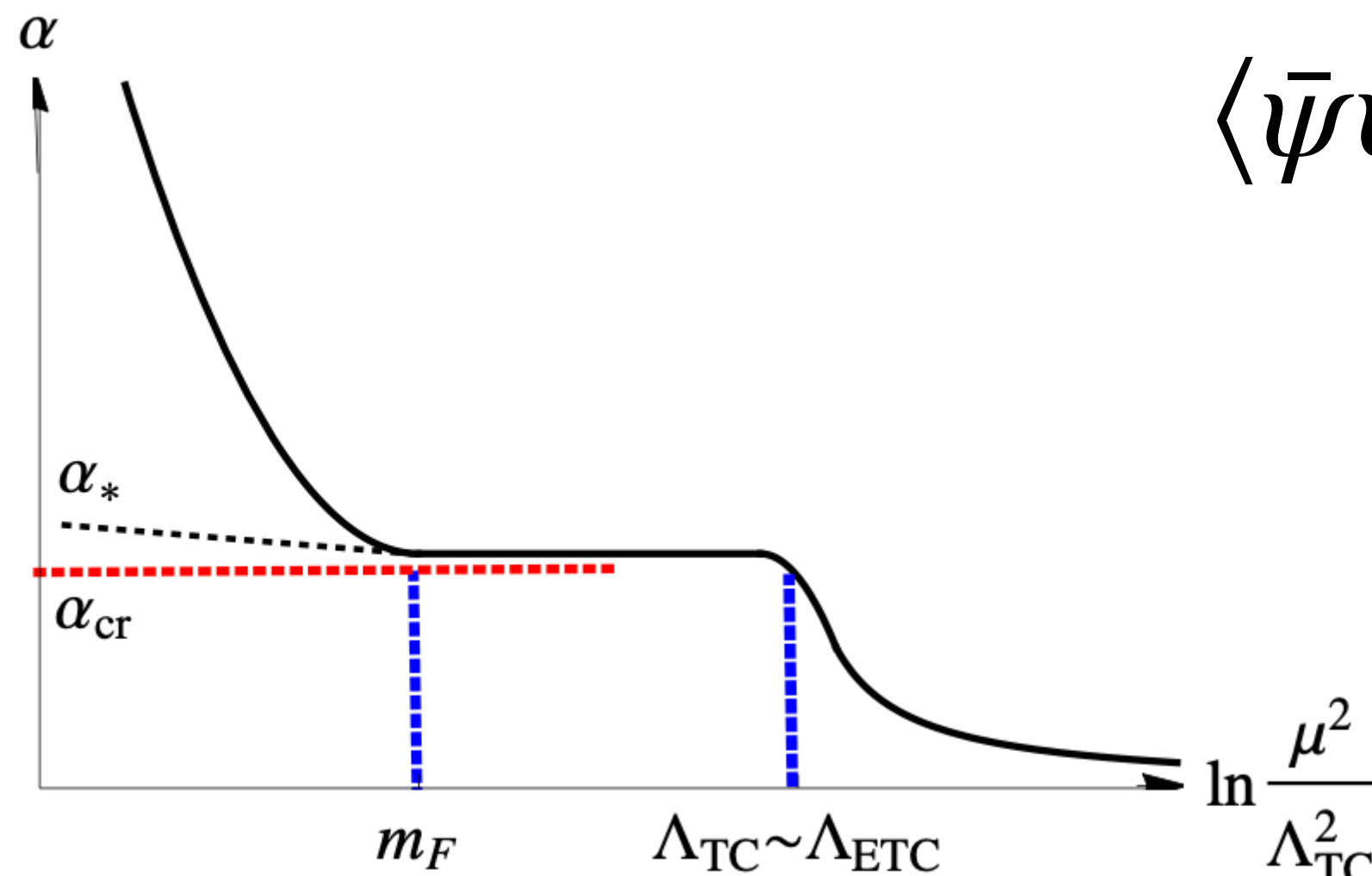


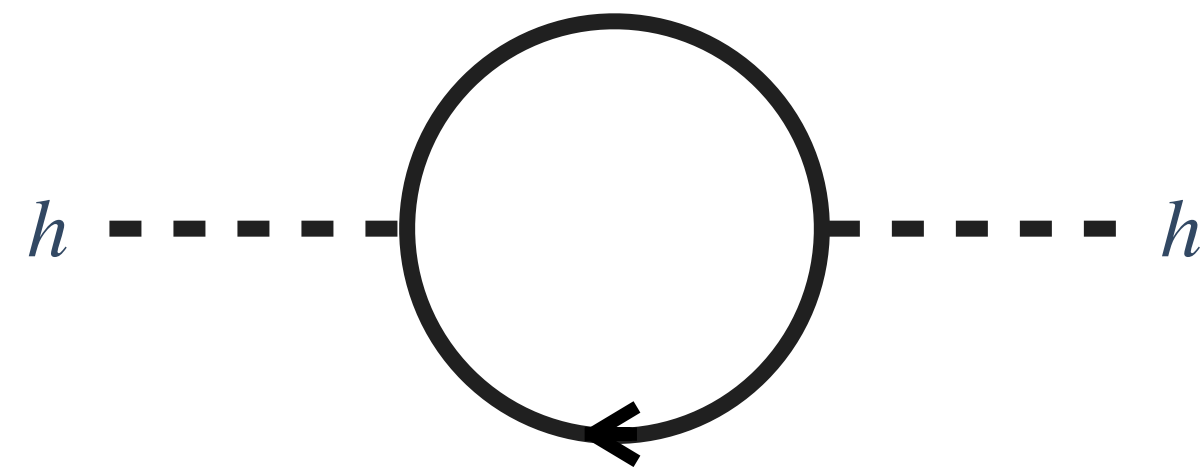
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(Composite) Higgs

Higgs : hierarchy problem

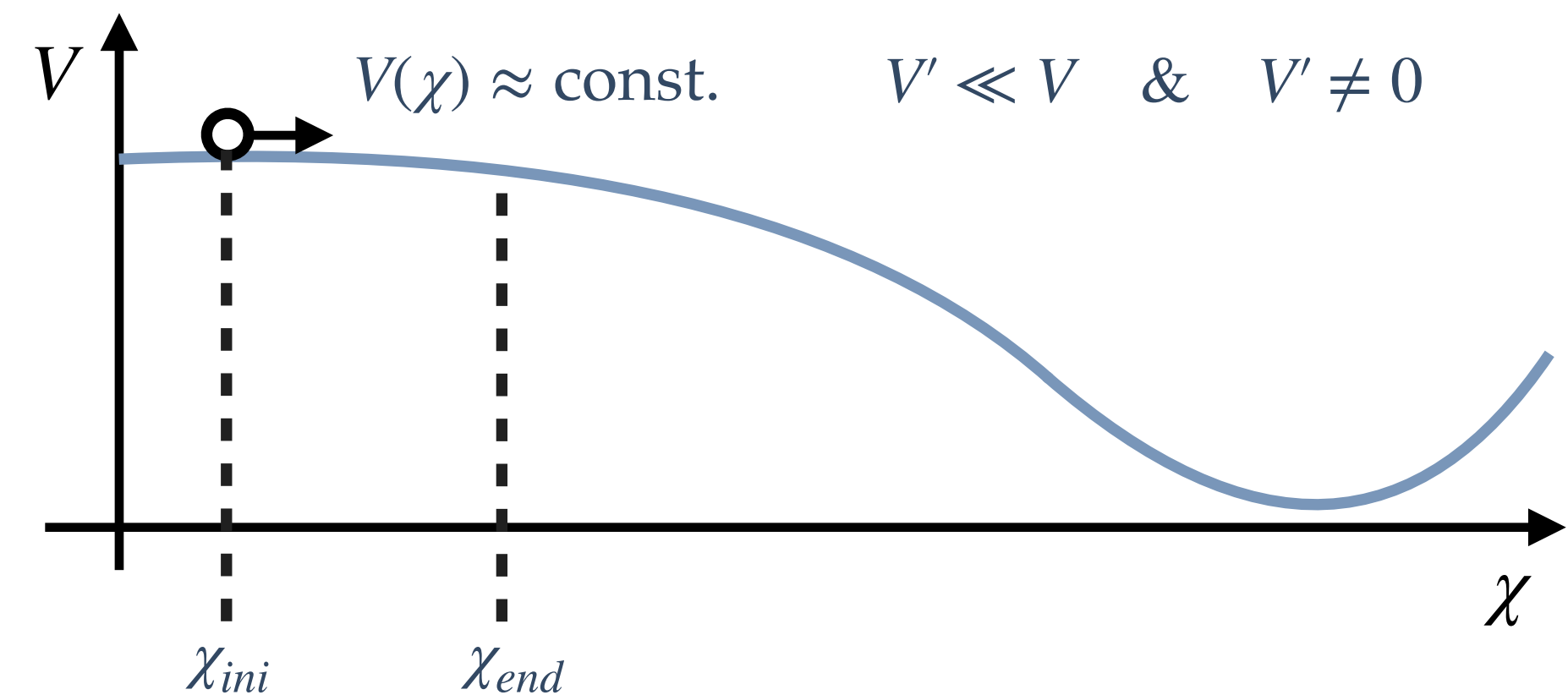
$m_h \ll M_P$: Large Quadratic Divergence



Composite Higgs : Remove Fundamental Scalar
Protect Higgs mass

(Composite) Inflation

Inflation : Potential “Flatness”



Composite Inflation : Remove Fundamental Scalar
Protect inflaton potential

Composite Models can tackle each problem given their scale!

Light composite pNGBs, can inflation occur?

The Model

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The Model

$$V(\phi, \chi) = -\lambda_\chi \delta_1 f_\chi^4 \left(\frac{\chi}{f_\chi} \right)^{3-\gamma_m} \cos \frac{\phi}{f_\phi} - \lambda_\chi \delta_2 f_\chi^4 \left(\frac{\chi}{f_\chi} \right)^{2(3-\gamma_{4f})} \sin^2 \frac{\phi}{f_\phi} + \underbrace{\frac{\lambda_\chi}{4} \chi^4 \left(\log \frac{\chi}{f_\chi} - A \right)}_{V_{CW}} + V_0.$$

Vev requirement : $V(\phi_0, \chi_0) = 0$ and $V_\chi(\phi_0, \chi_0) = 0$

$$V_0 = \frac{\lambda_\chi f_\chi^4}{16} \left[1 + \frac{2\delta_1^2}{\delta_2} (2 - \gamma_{4f} + \gamma_m) + 8\delta_2 (\gamma_{4f} - 1) \right] \quad A = \frac{2\delta_1^2 (\gamma_m - \gamma_{4f}) + \delta_2 (8\delta_2 (\gamma_{4f} - 3) + 1)}{4\delta_2}$$

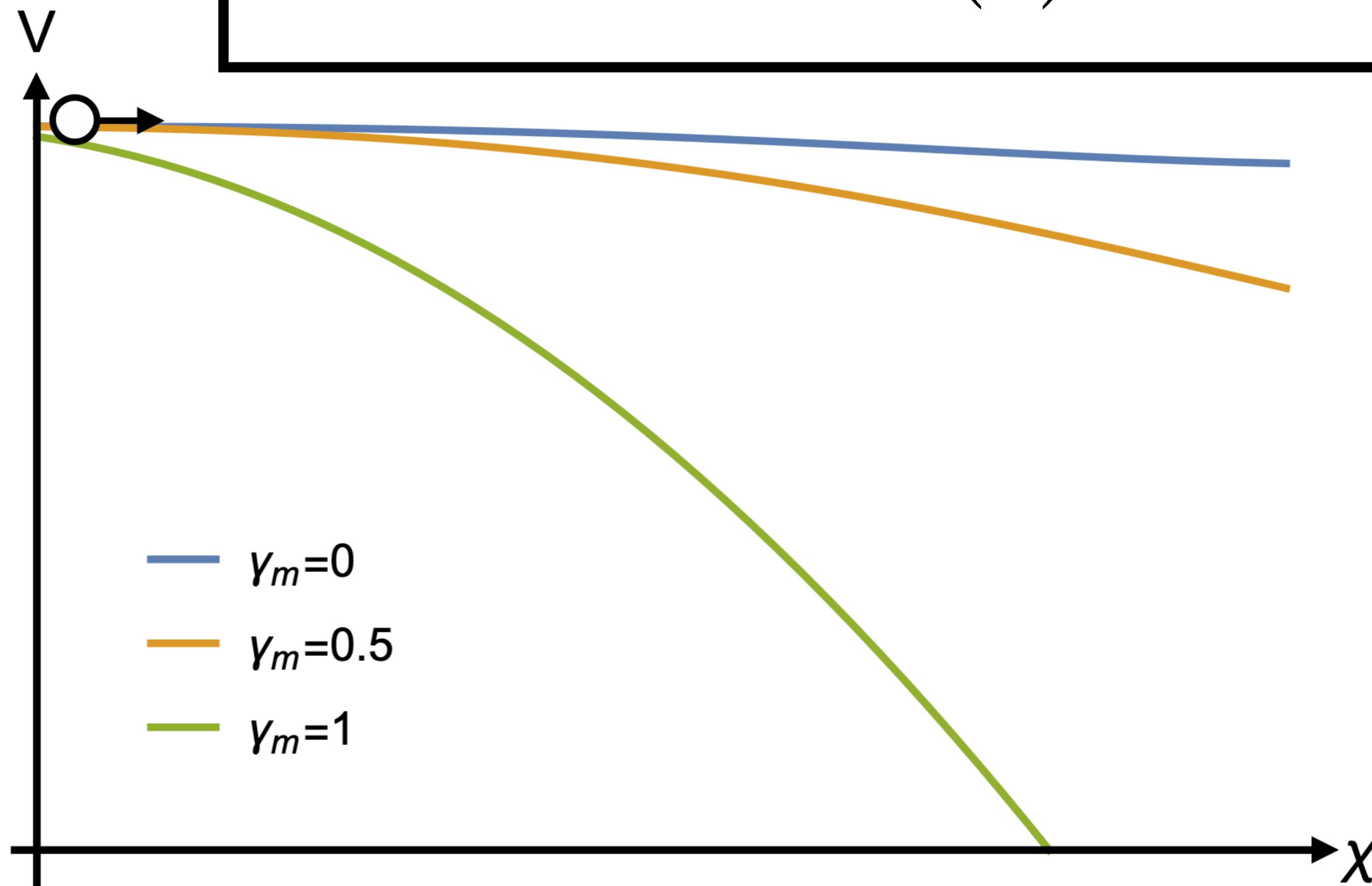
Explicit anomalous dimension dependence! Inflationary predictions alter

Inflationary Dynamics

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Inflation occurs at $\chi \ll f_\chi$

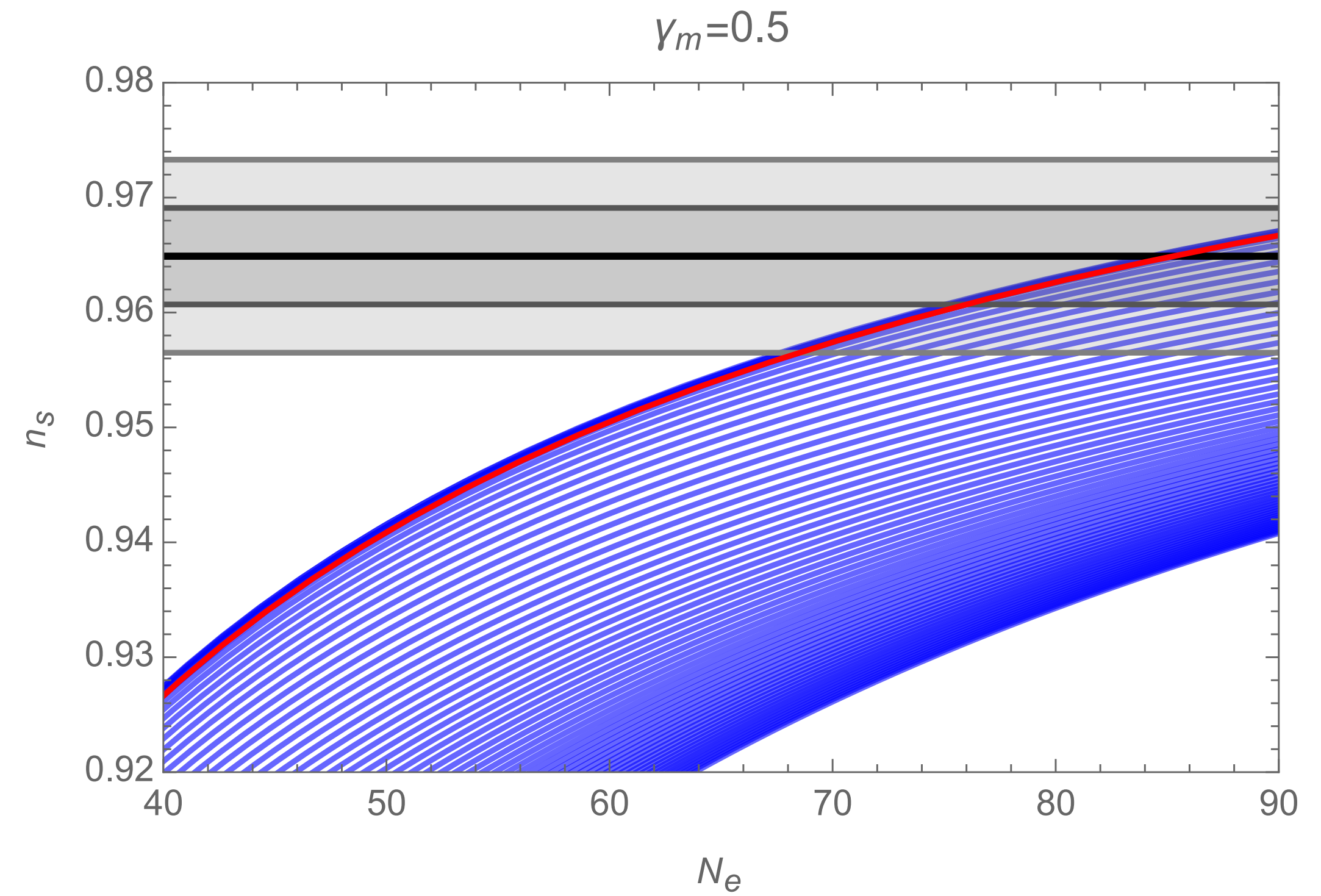
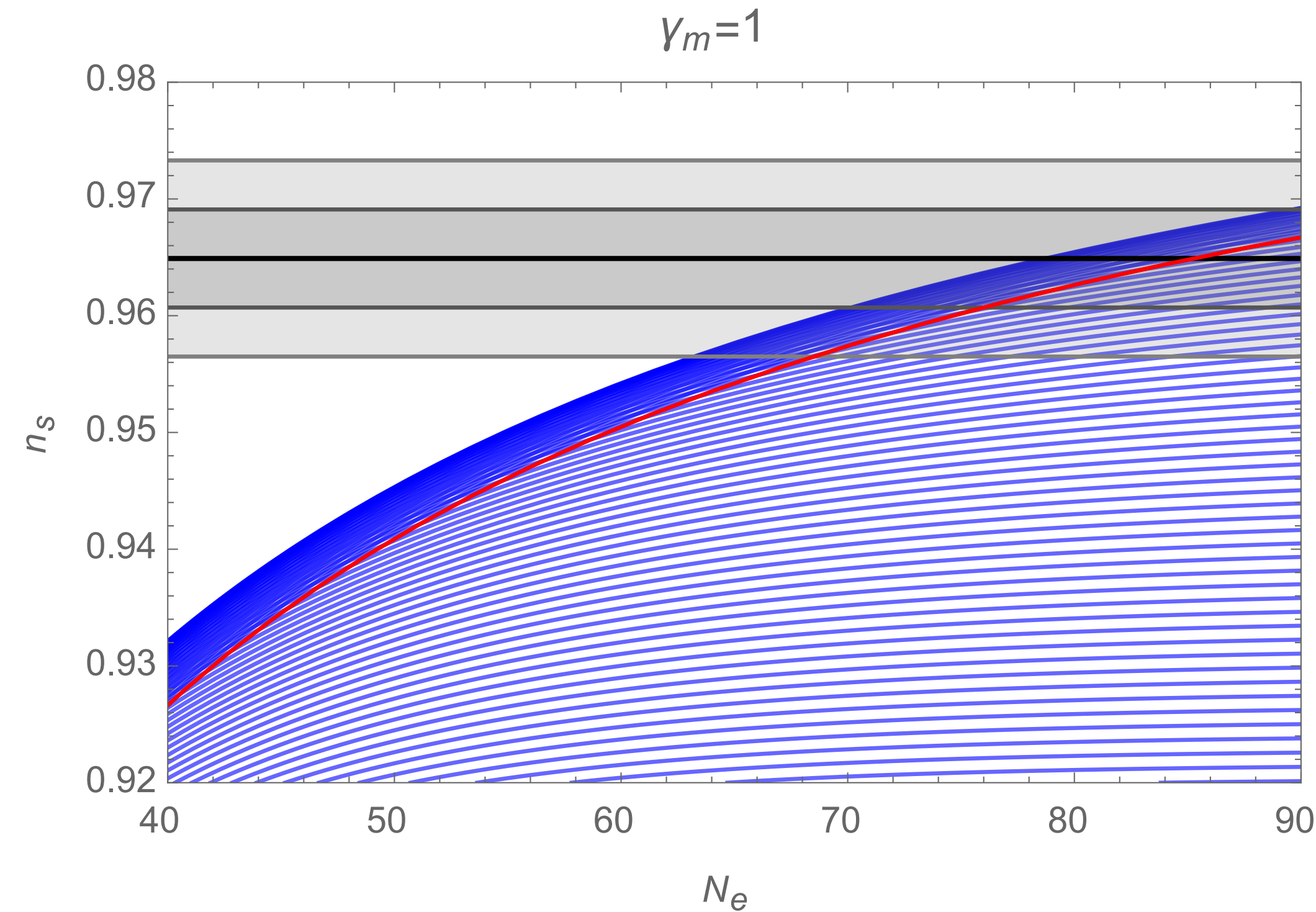
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- $V_{CW} + \text{corrections}$
- γ_m alters corrections
- $(\epsilon, \eta) \rightarrow (\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}, n_s, \dots)$ γ_m dependence

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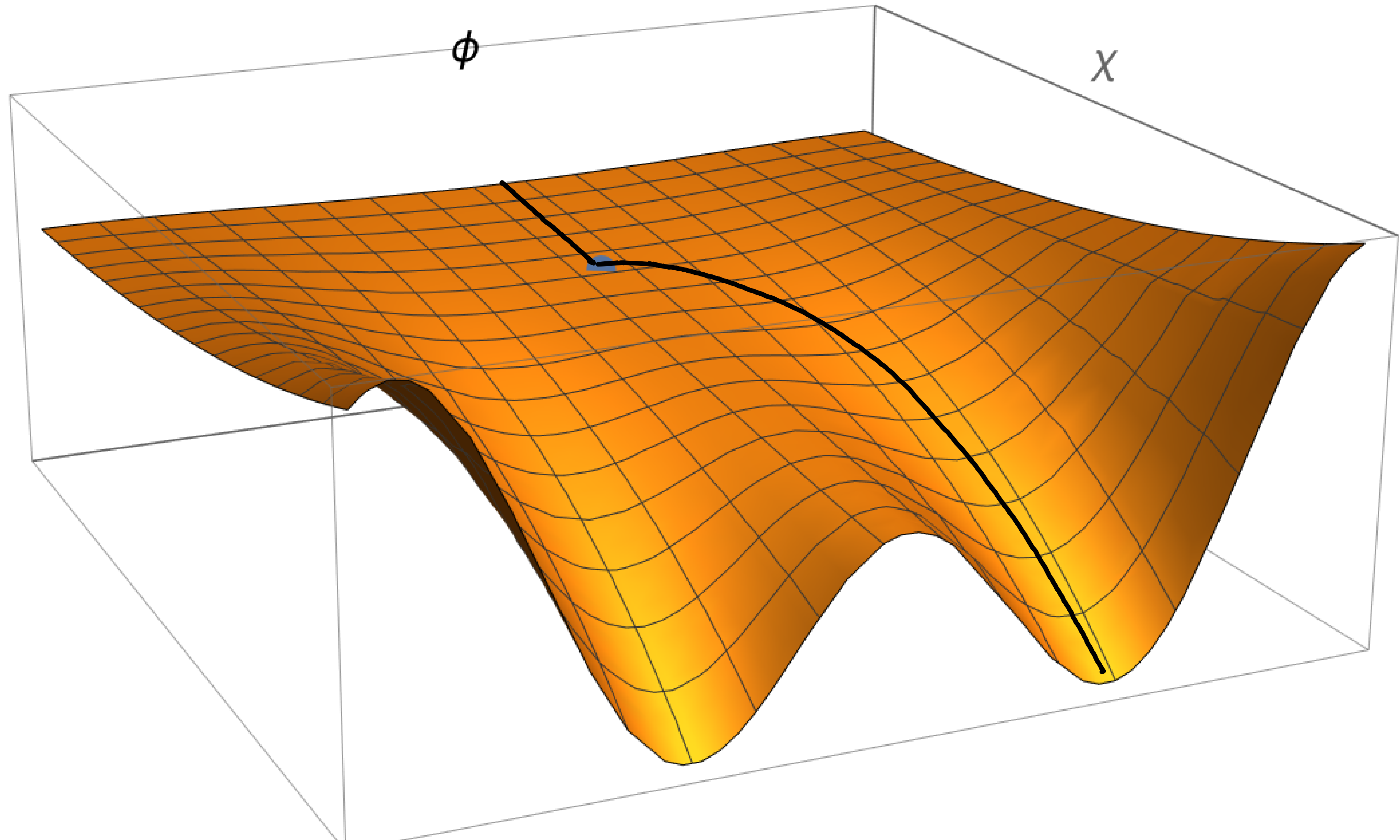


$N_e \sim 70$ for CMB compatibility

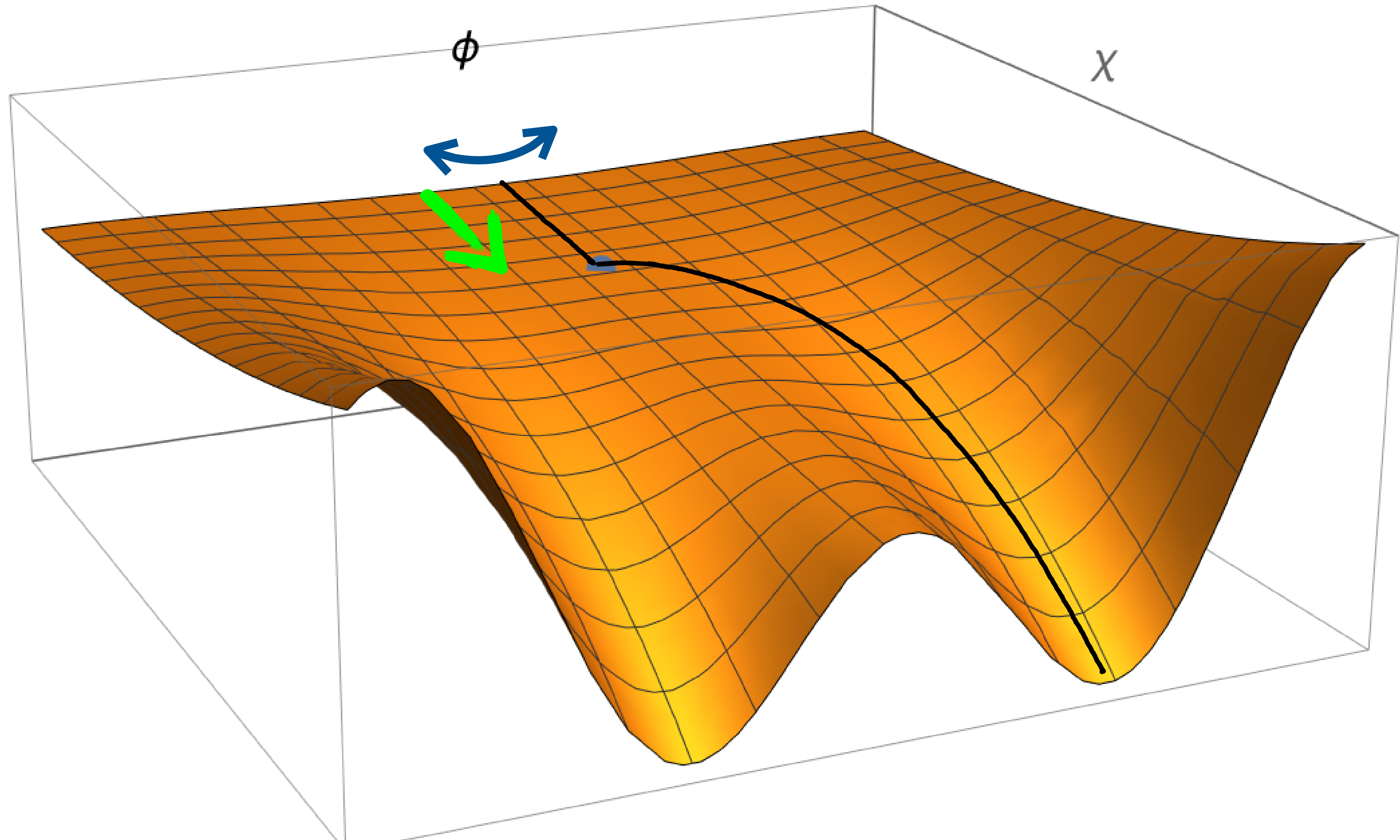
$$N_e \simeq 61 + \frac{2}{3} \ln \frac{V_0^{1/4}}{10^{16} \text{ GeV}} + \frac{1}{3} \ln \frac{T_{reh}}{10^{16} \text{ GeV}}$$

Not favored from CMB observations

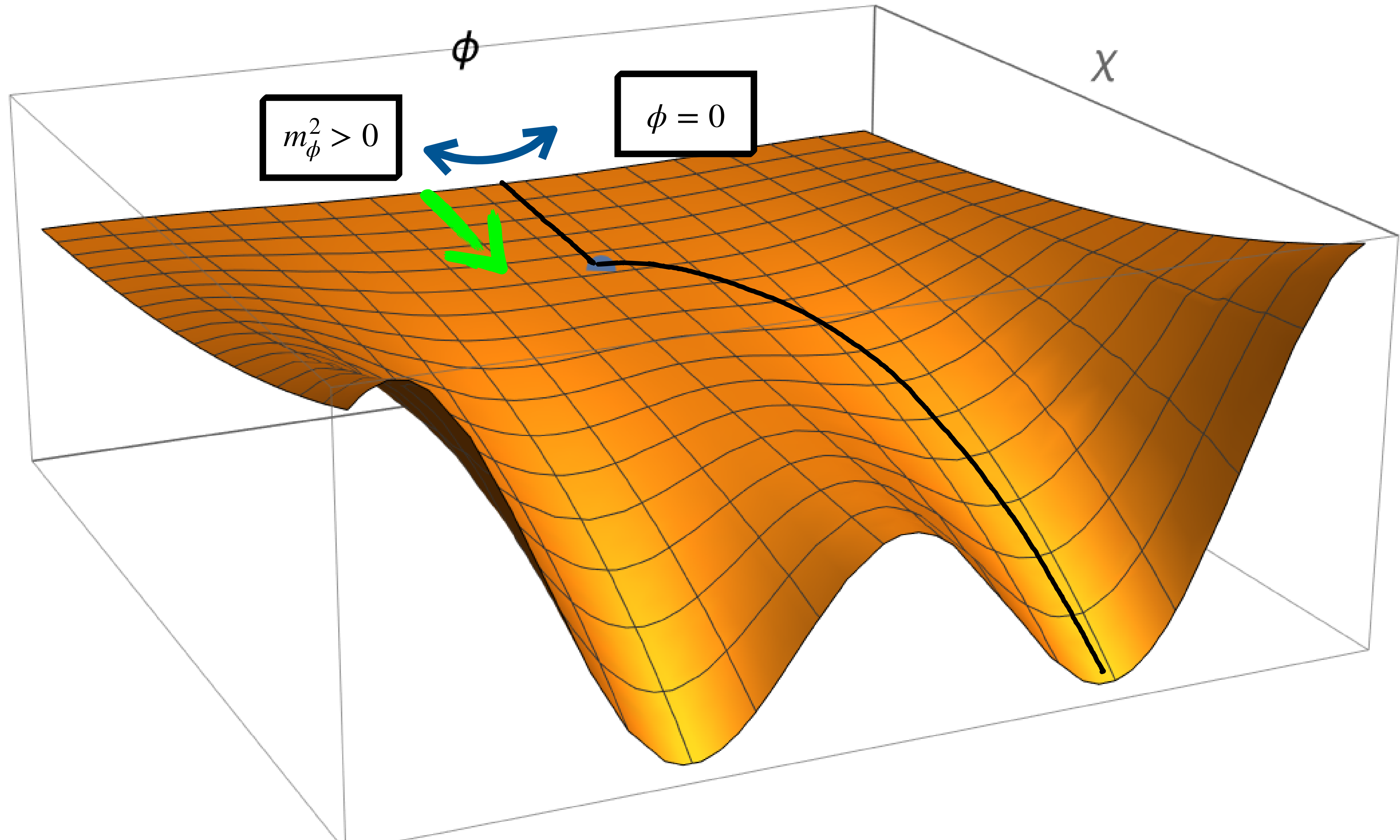
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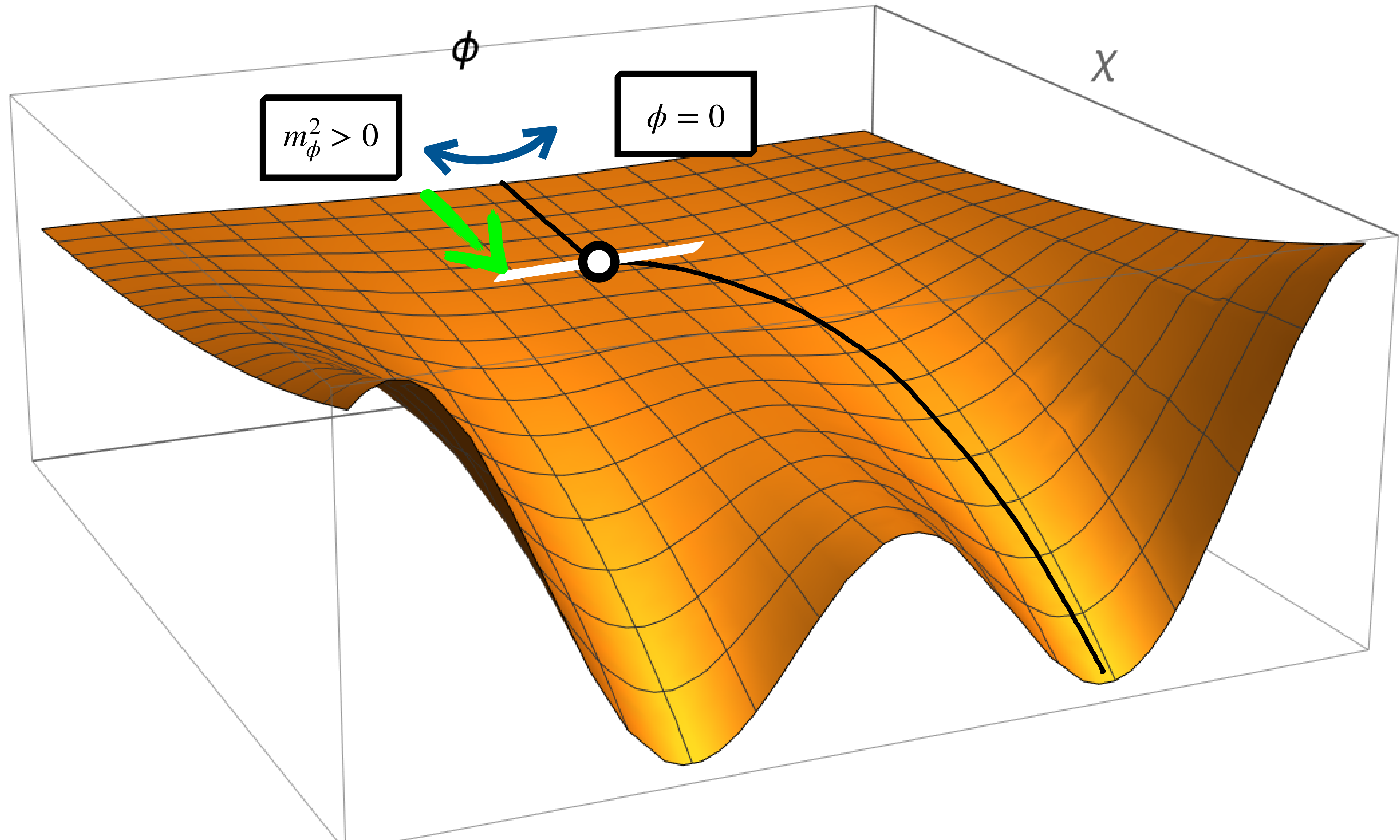
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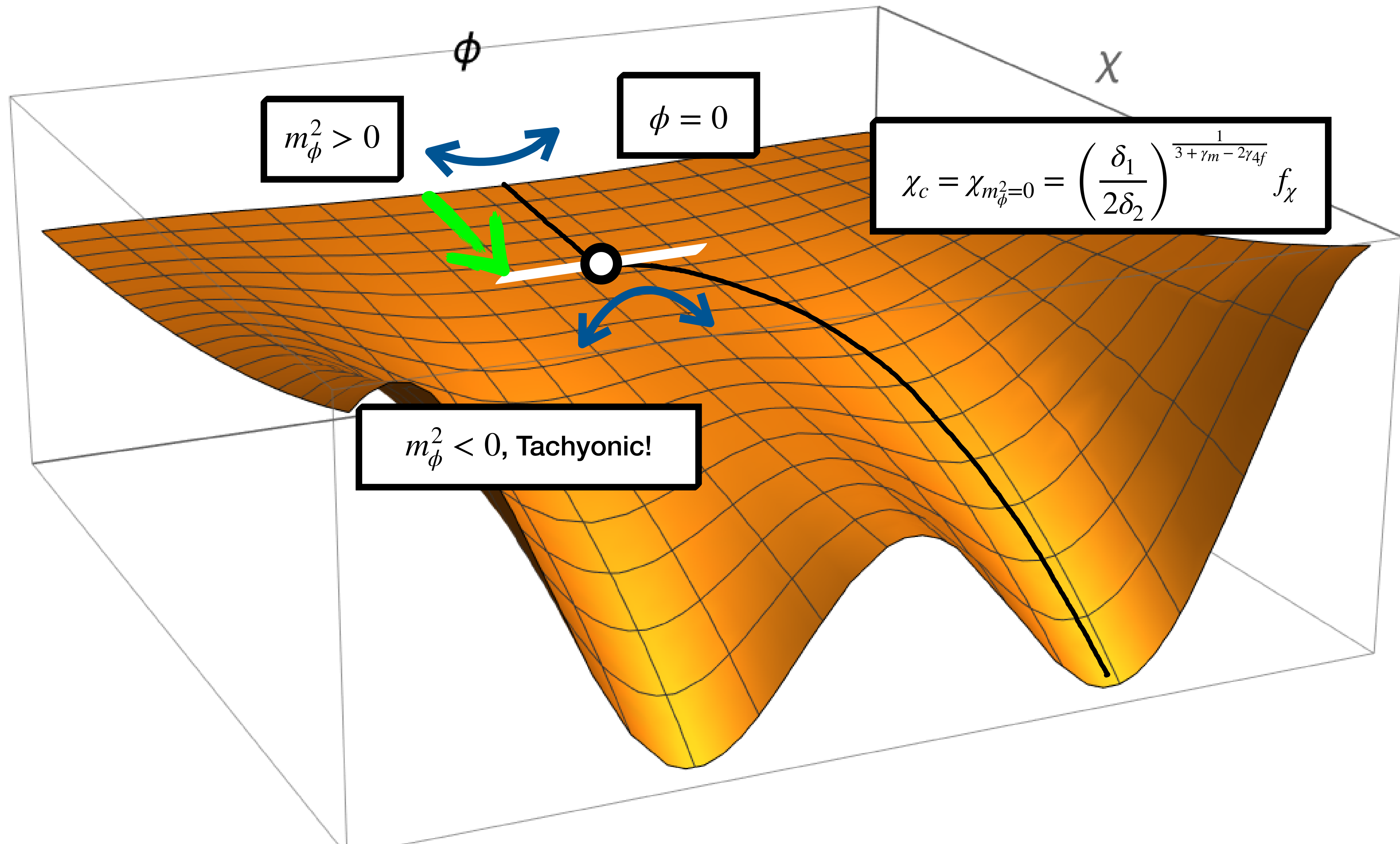
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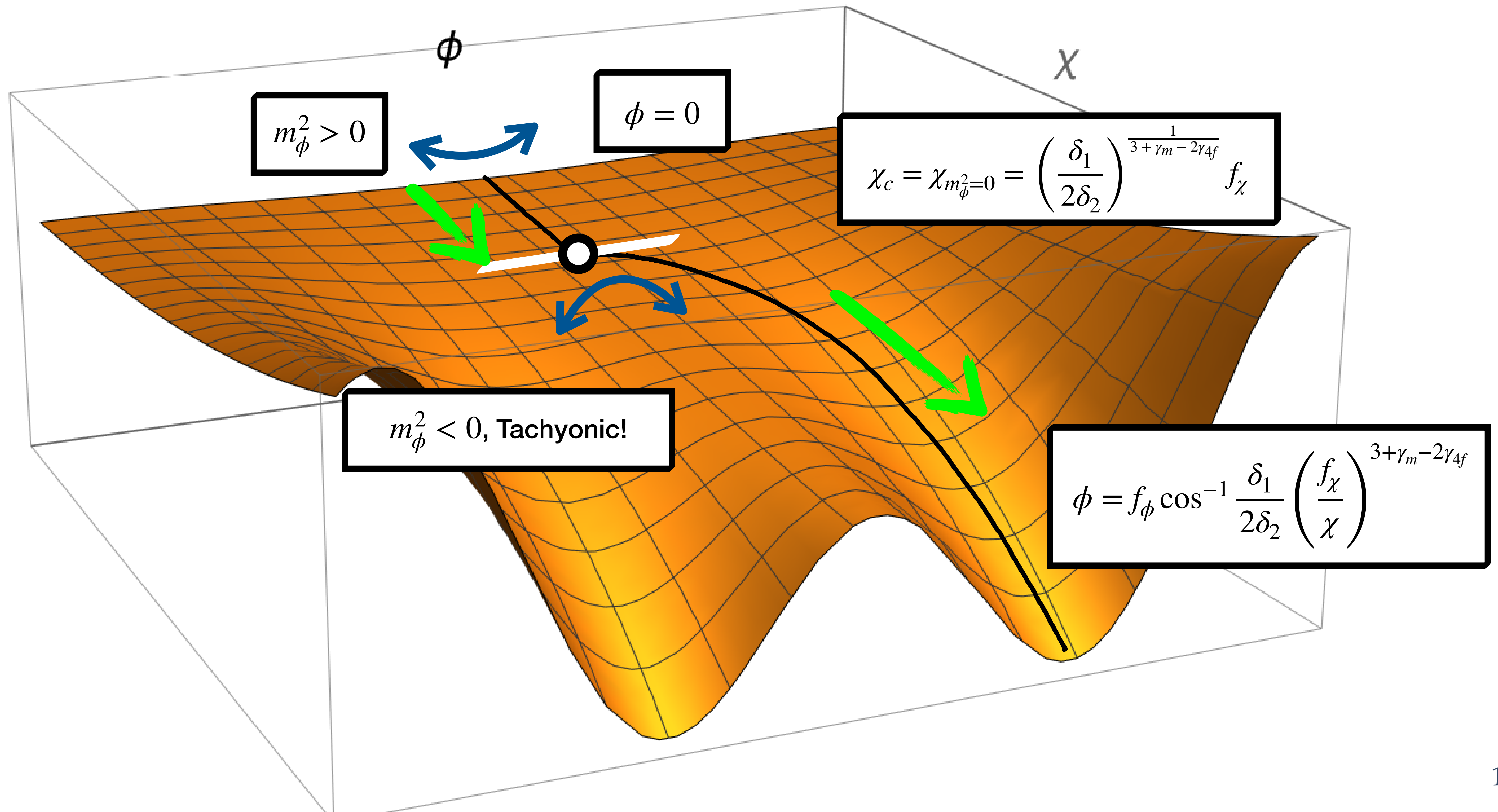
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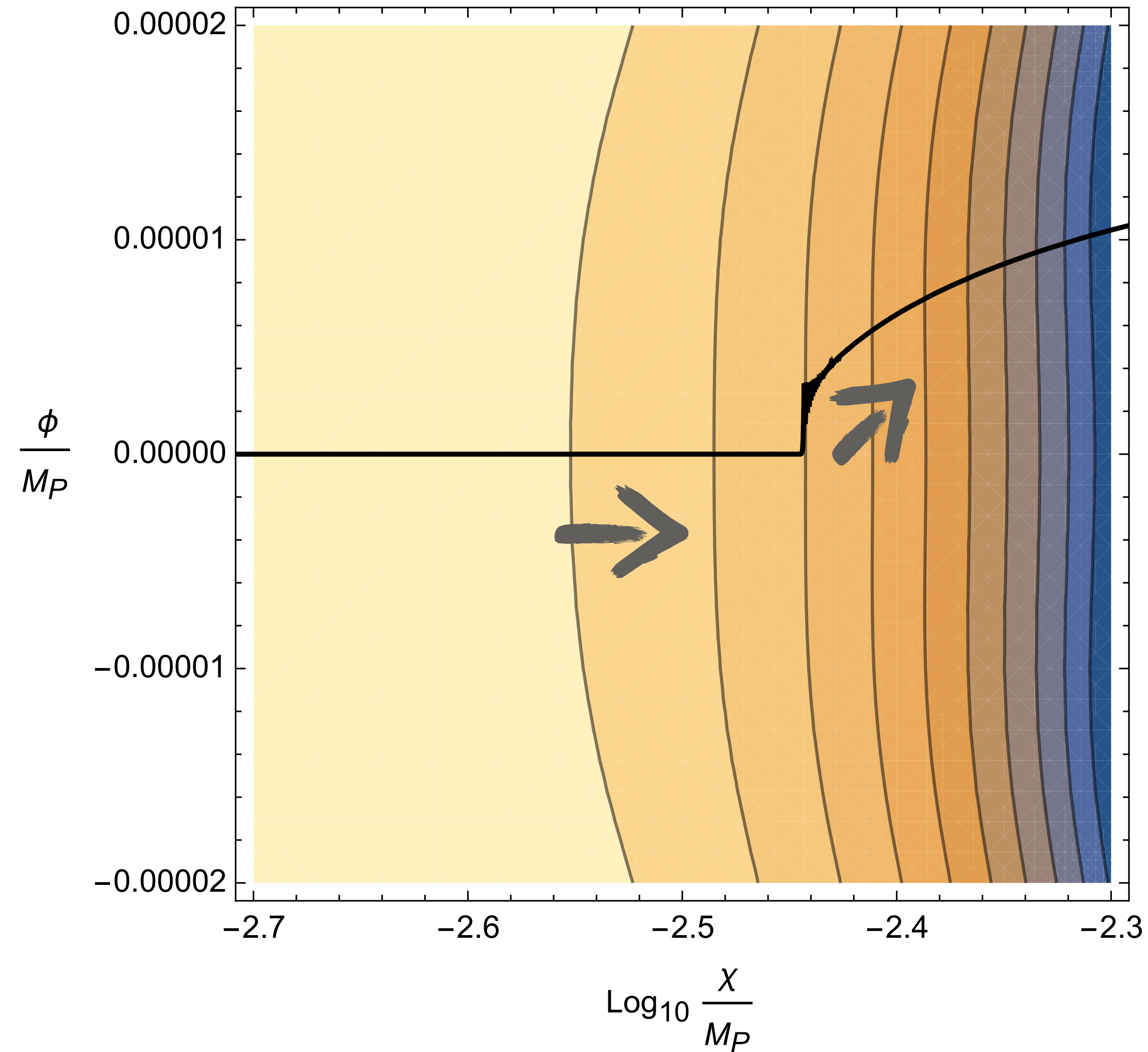
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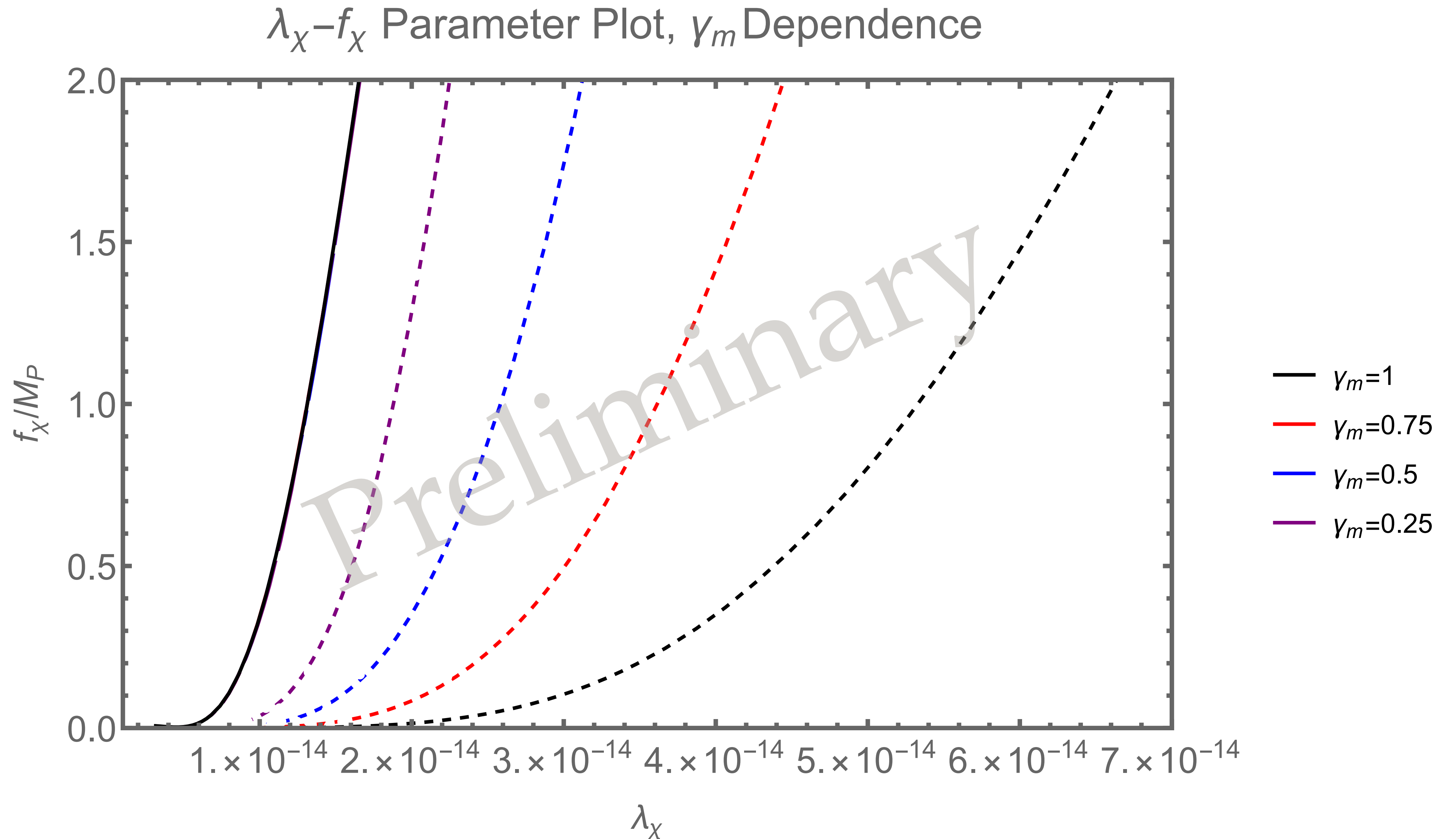


Inflationary Dynamics - Waterfall

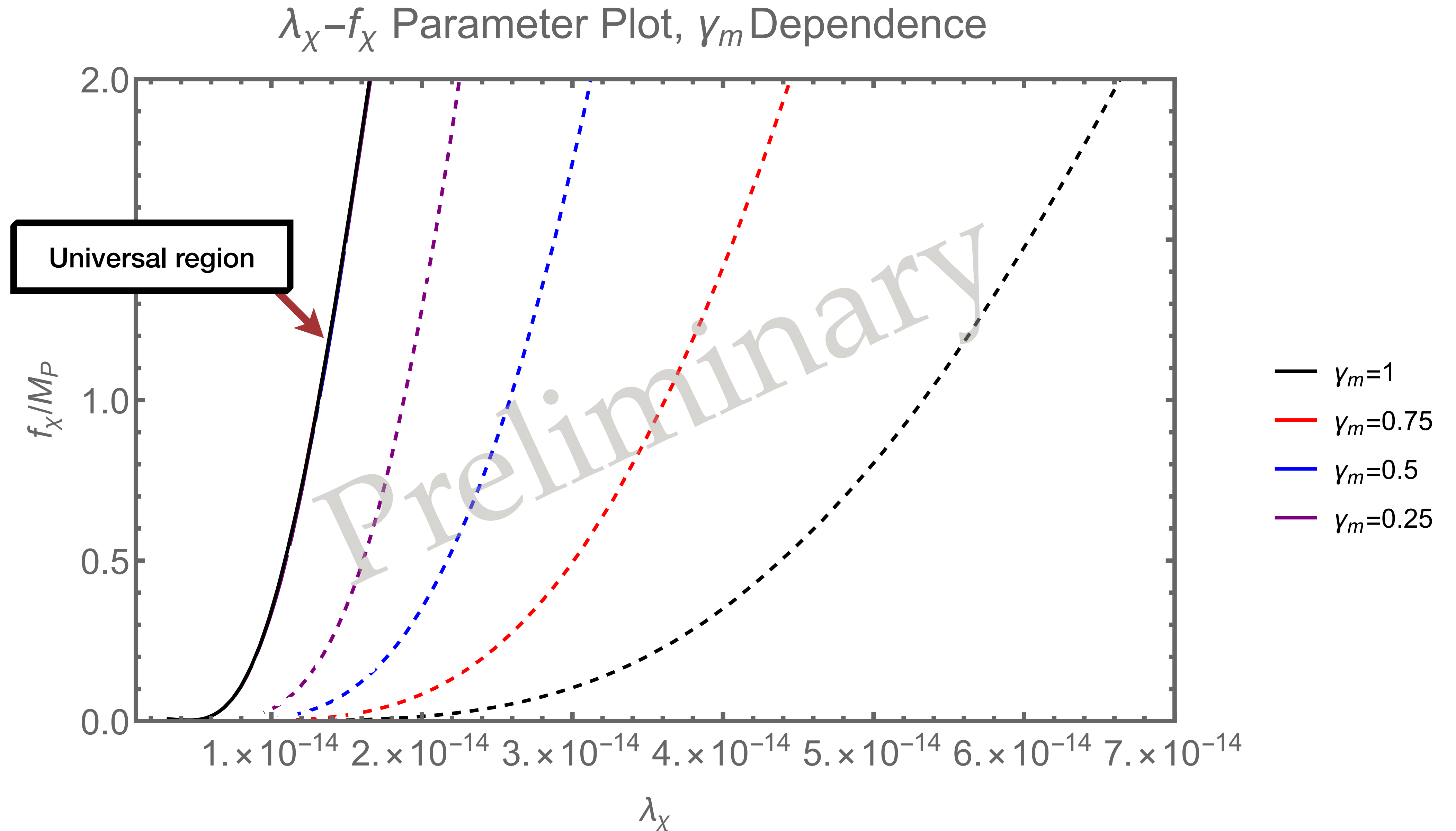


- Dynamical Pions trigger a “waterfall transition”
- Premature termination in inflation, shortens efold
- Co-existence of χ and ϕ , observation compatible inflation

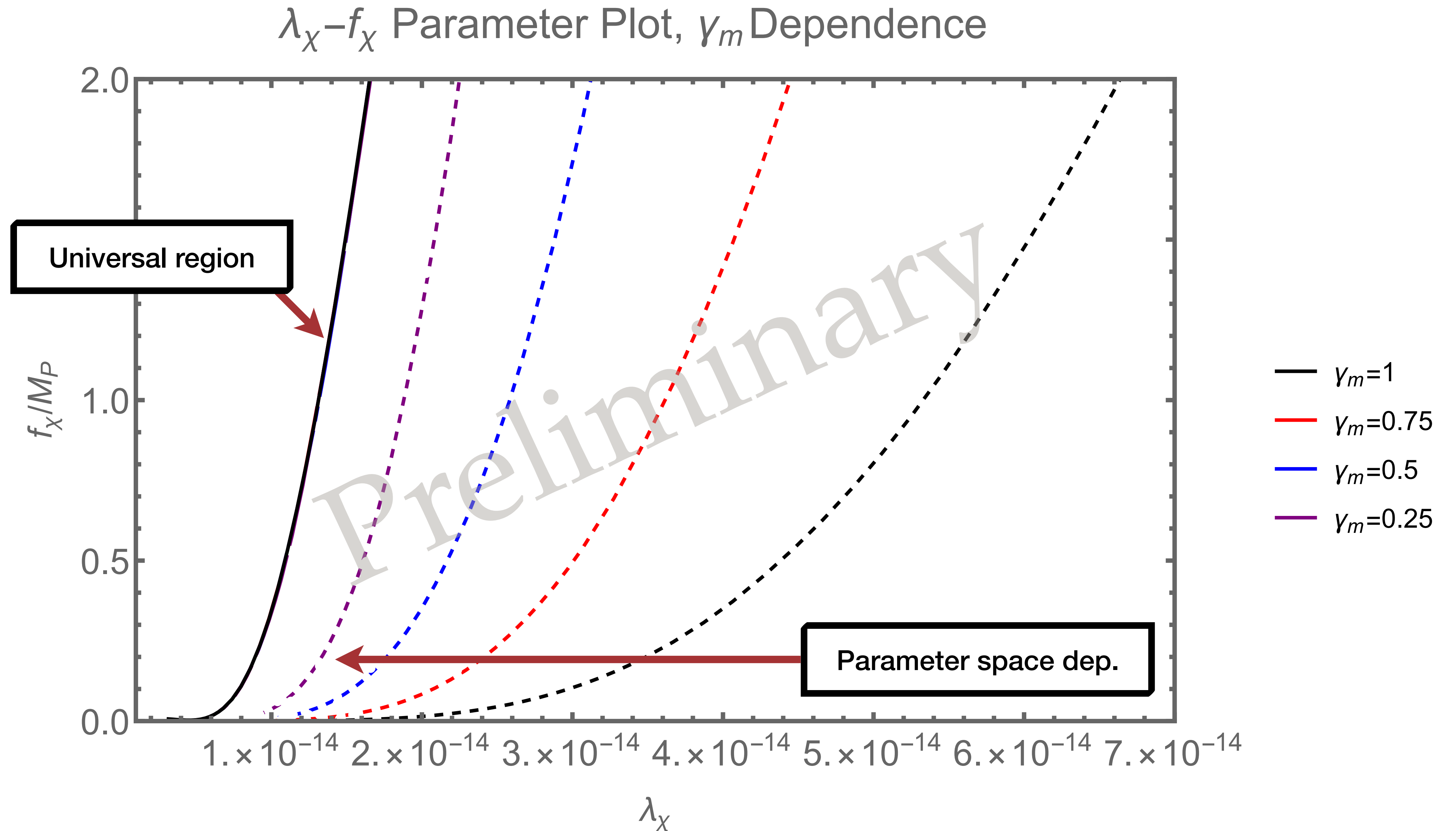
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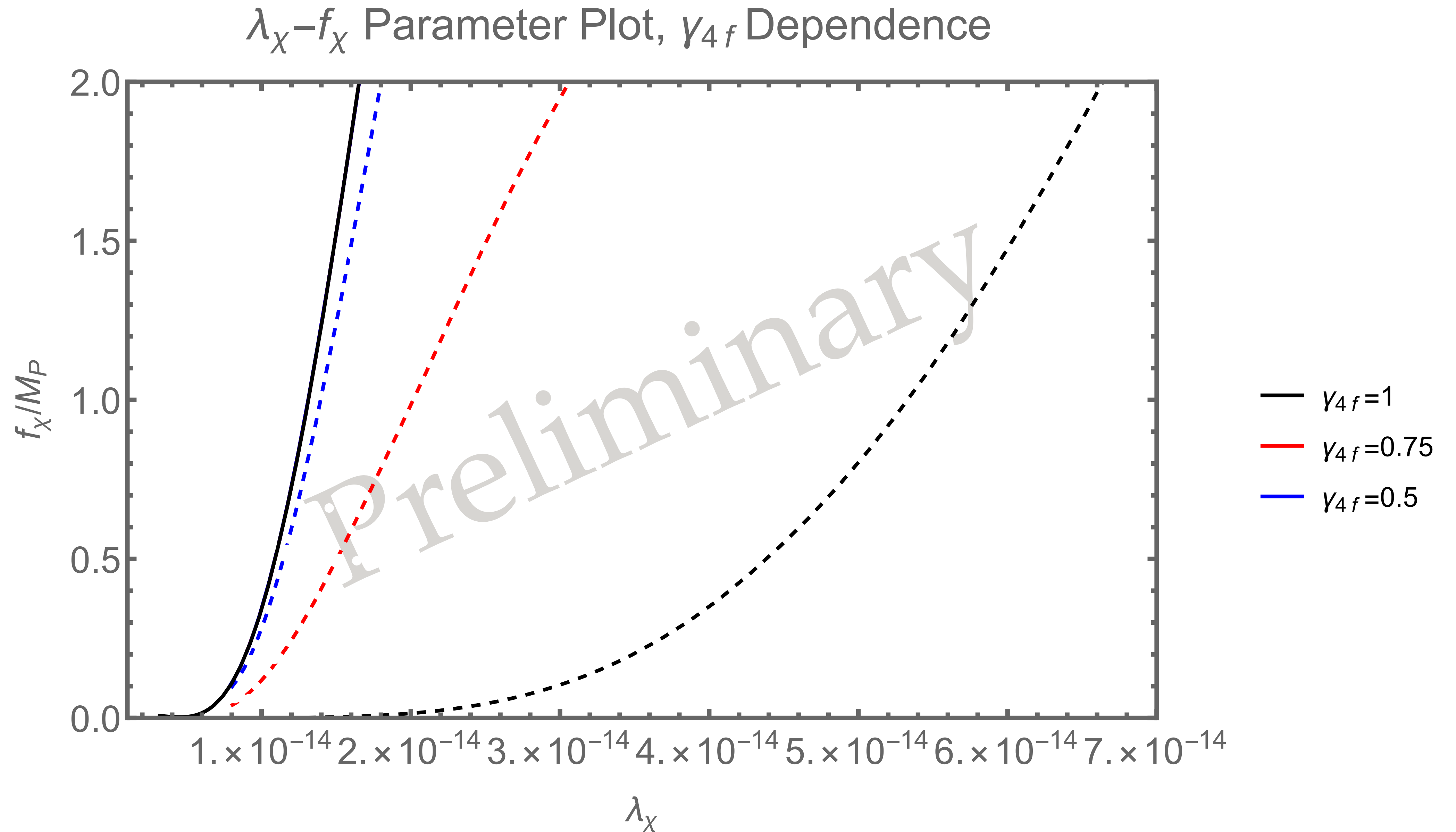
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Summary & Outlooks

- Inflation provides initial conditions for our Hot Big Bang, successful paradigm.
- Particle physics origin still unknown, requires “flatness”
- In analogy to composite Higgs, composite inflation can protect inflaton “hierarchy”
- Interplay of composite pNGBs can lead to dilaton inflation and waterfall pions, fully compatible with CMB
- Phenomenology associated? (UV completion, experimental constraints, GWs)
- Much more to study, stay tuned if interested!

“Thank you!”