

Asymptotic Scale Invariance, Vacuum Stability and Higgs Inflation

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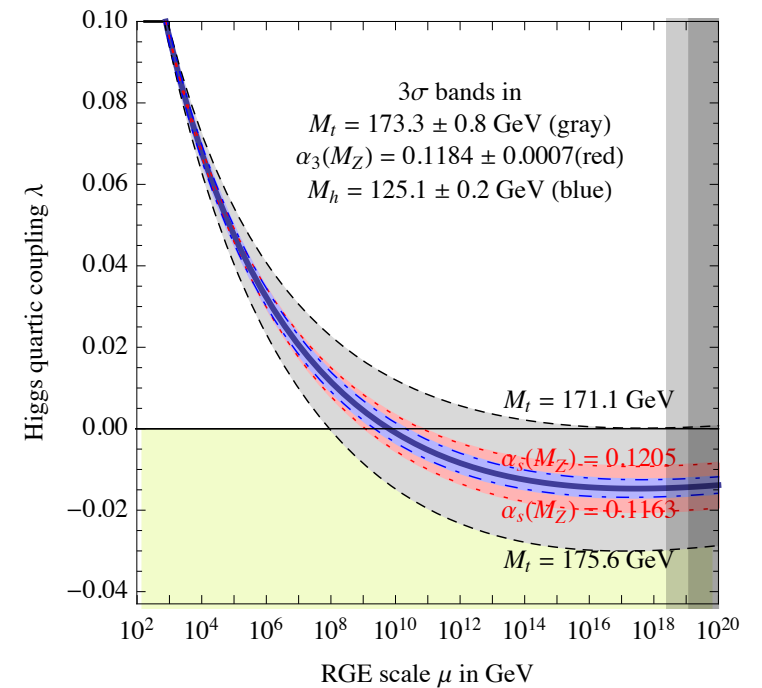
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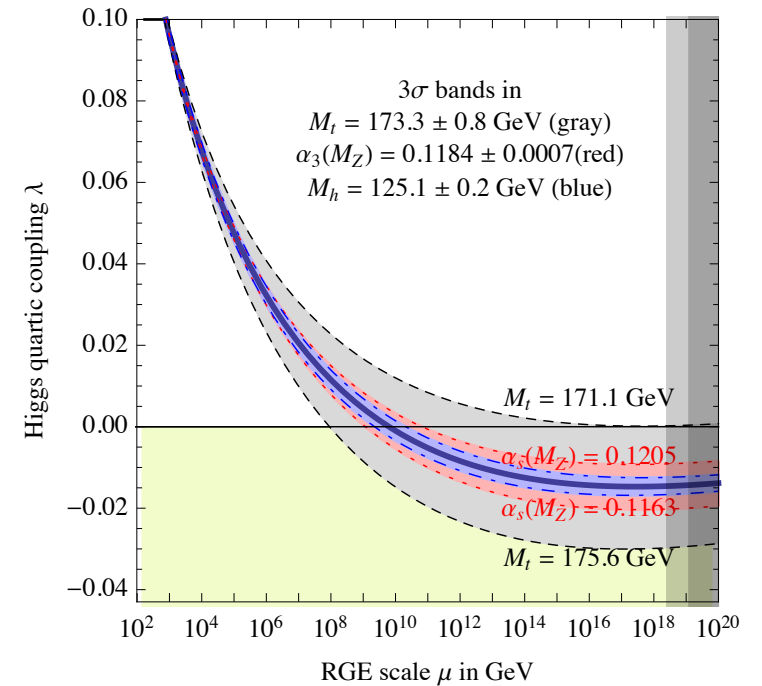
What does this imply?



Asymptotic scale invariance →

Stability
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Scale Anomaly and Effective Potential

Invariance under $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x^\mu \rightarrow \sigma^{-1} x^\mu \\ \Phi(x) \rightarrow \sigma^{d_\Phi} \Phi(x) \end{array} \right.$ d_Φ : Mass dimension of dynamical fields Φ

Explicit mass scale breaks SI :

$$V = -\frac{\mu_{\text{EW}}^2}{2} h^2 + \frac{\lambda}{4} h^4$$

In the SM of particle physics sector,
SI is broken by the negative Higgs mass term.

Scale invariant for $h \gg \mu_{\text{EW}}$.
(approximately)

If you want,
 $\mu_{\text{EW}} \propto \phi$: dynamical
but is NOT crucial here.

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One-loop (CW) correction
to Higgs potential

$$\Delta V \sim (-1)^F m^4 \ln \frac{m^2}{\mu^2}$$

Breaks the scale invariance

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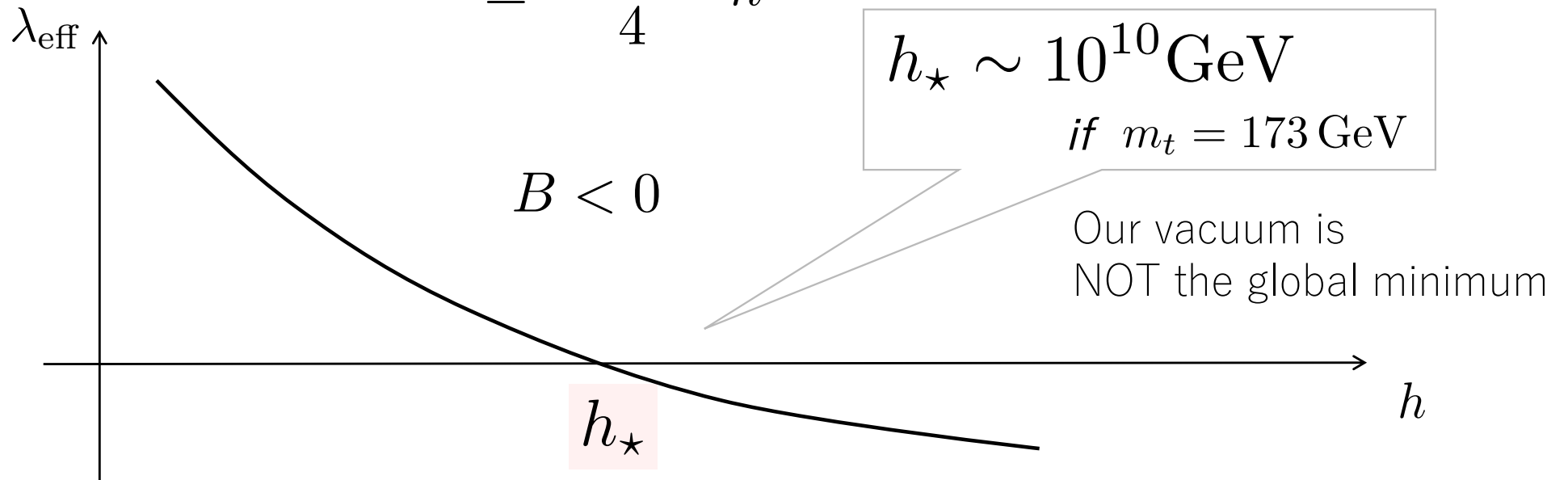
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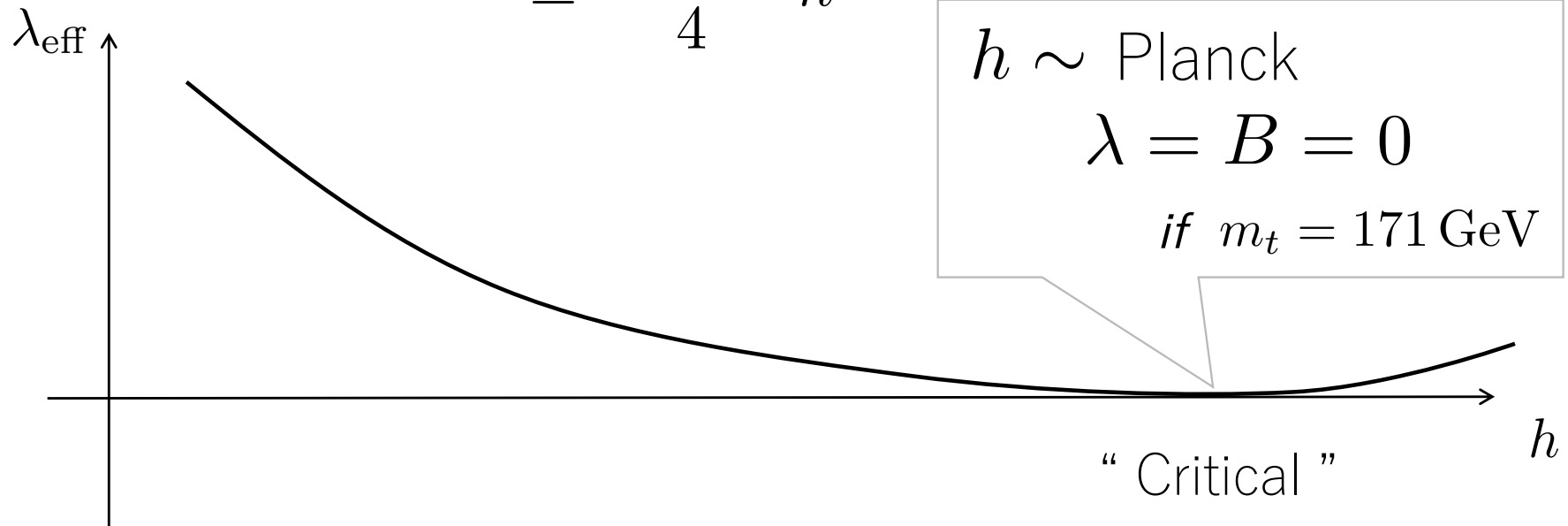
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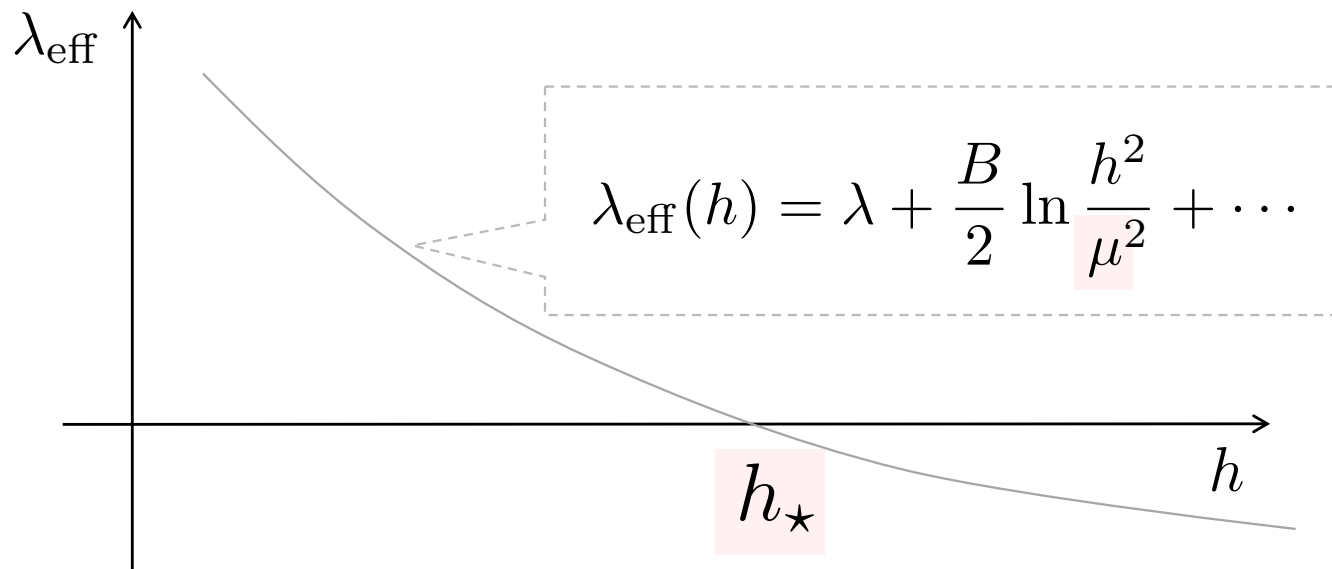
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Pawel Olszewski's talk (Tuesday)
about formal aspects of quantum scale invariance

Asymptotic Scale Invariance → Some Cosmological Implications

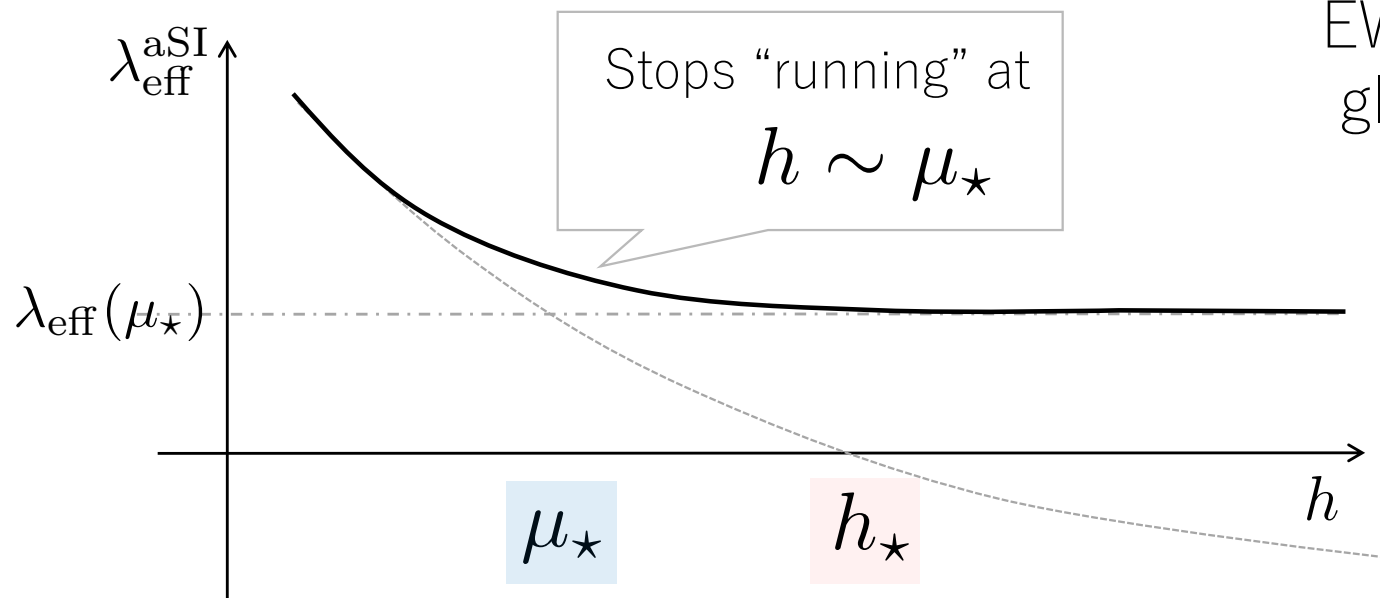
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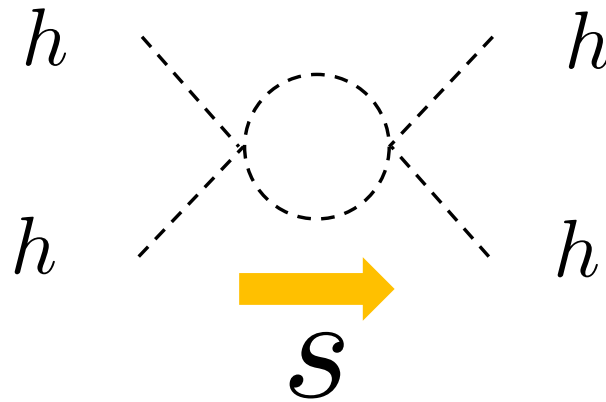
$$\lambda_{\text{eff}}^{\text{aSI}}(h) = \lambda + \frac{B}{2} \ln \frac{h^2}{\mu^2(1 + h^2/\mu_\star^2)} + \dots \implies \lambda_{\text{eff}}(\mu_\star) > 0$$



EW vacuum is
global minimum
if $\mu_\star < h_\star$

Asymptotic Scale Invariance and Stability

Couplings run as energy scale of scattering increases.



$$\lambda_{\text{eff}} \sim \lambda + \frac{\lambda^2}{16\pi^2} \ln \frac{s}{\omega^2}$$

Fixed

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Both of regularization and renormalization
respect the approximate scale invariance for $h \gg \mu_\star$.

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Up to which energy scale
is this effective theory valid?

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J.M.Cornwall, D.N.Levin, G.Tiktopoulos (1974)

Unitarity bound

N -particle amplitude

$$\mathcal{M}_N \sim E^{4-N}$$

at most

Tree unitarity violation

$$\text{at } \Lambda \sim \sqrt{\mu_\star^2 + h^2}$$

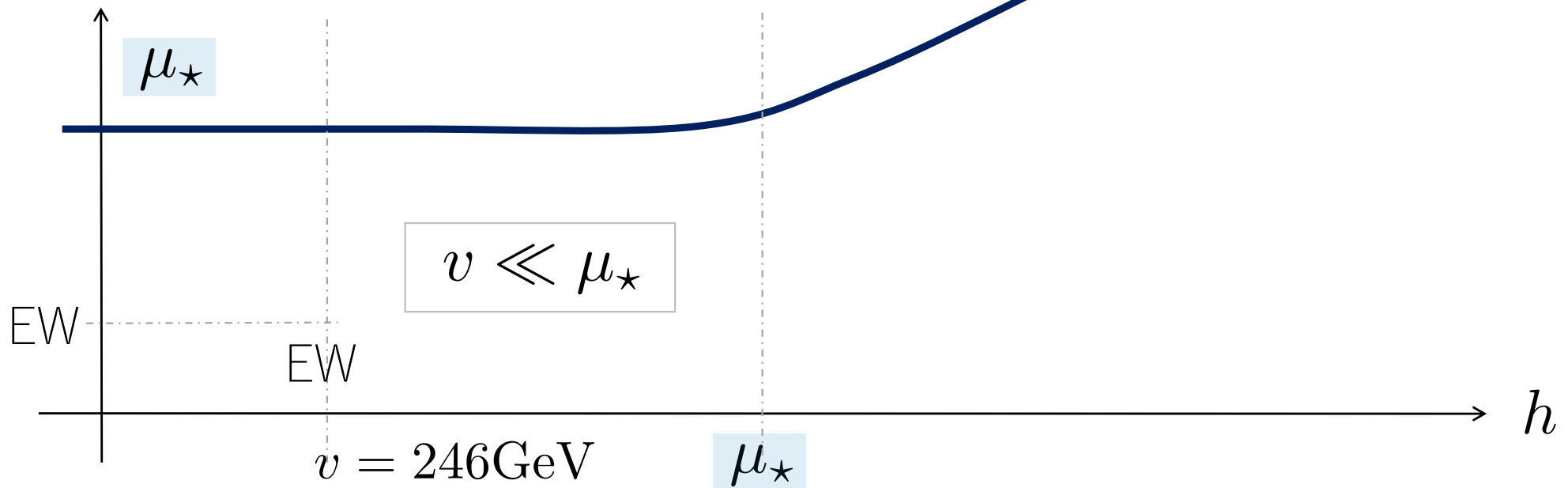
Strong coupling
or
New physics

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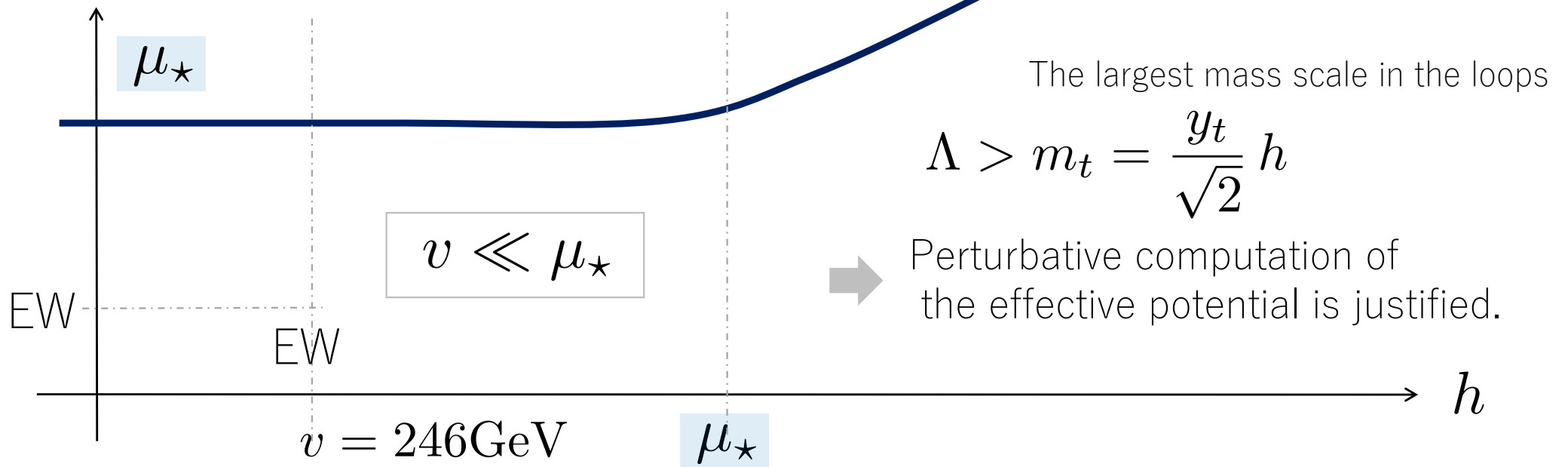
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$\sim h$ **SI regime**



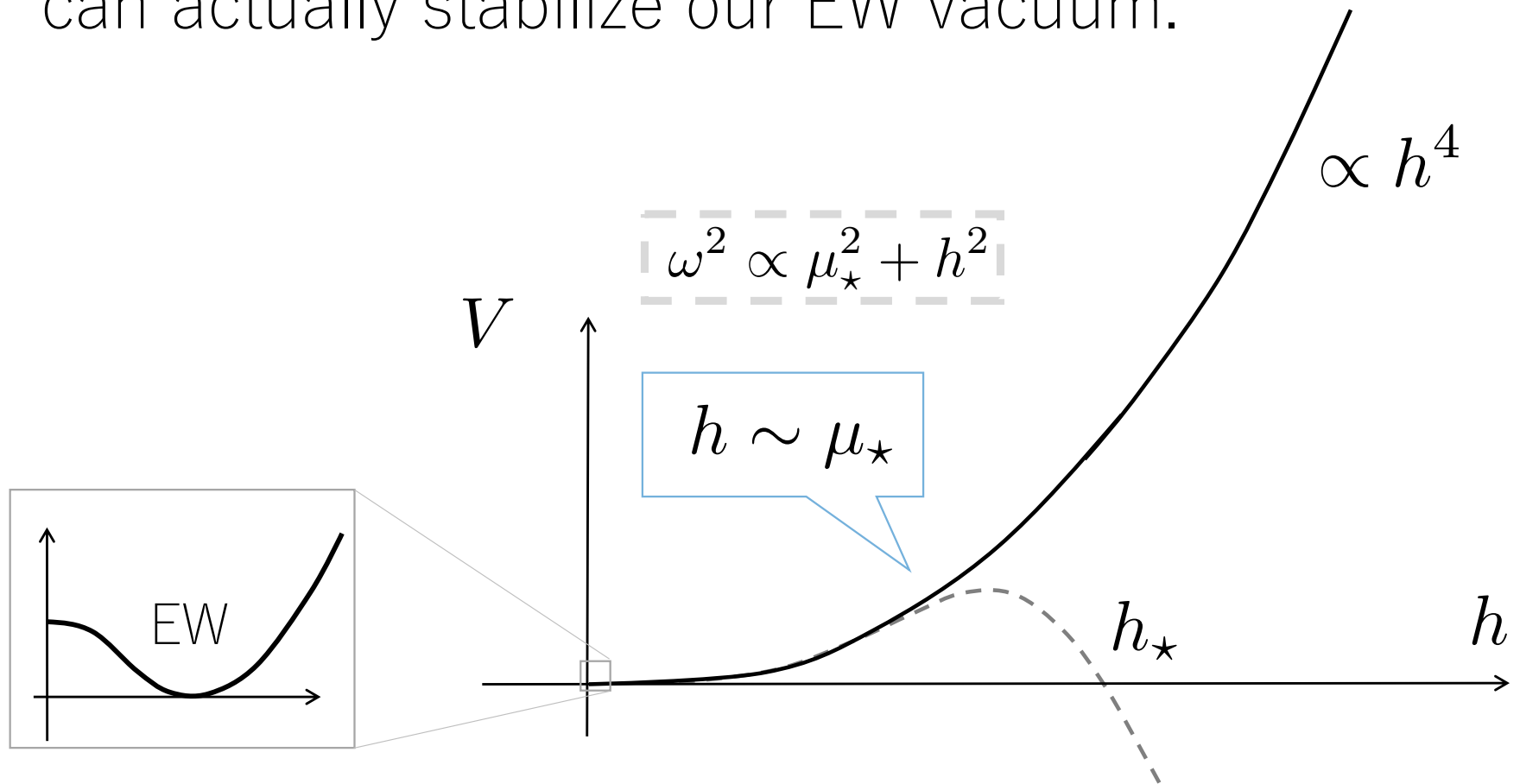
The largest mass scale in the loops

$$\Lambda > m_t = \frac{y_t}{\sqrt{2}} h$$

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Asymptotic Scale Invariance

can actually stabilize our EW vacuum.



Asymptotic Scale Invariance and Higgs Inflation

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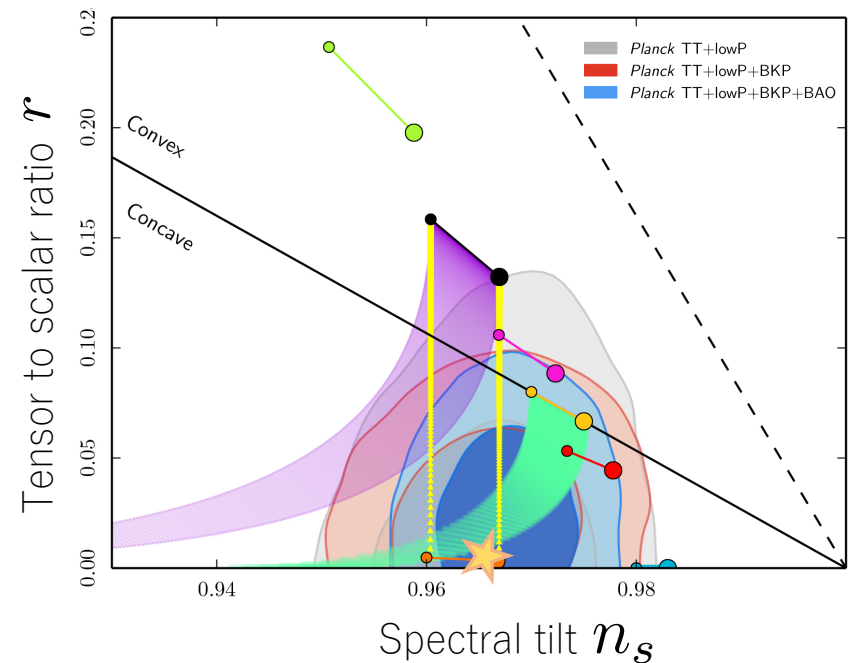
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F.Bezrukov, M.Shaposhnikov (2007)

$\xi \sim 10^4 \sqrt{\lambda}$ Large non-minimal coupling

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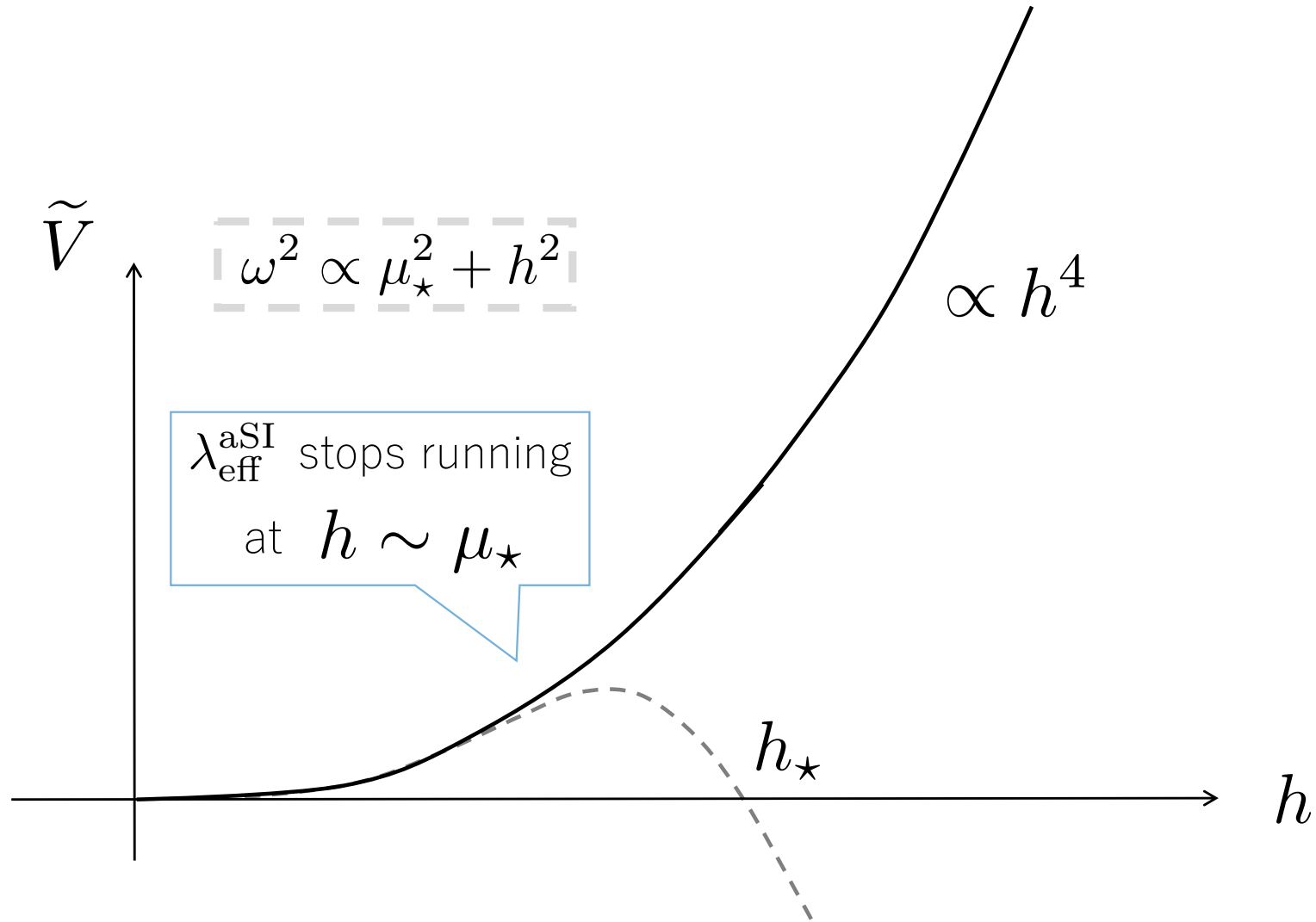
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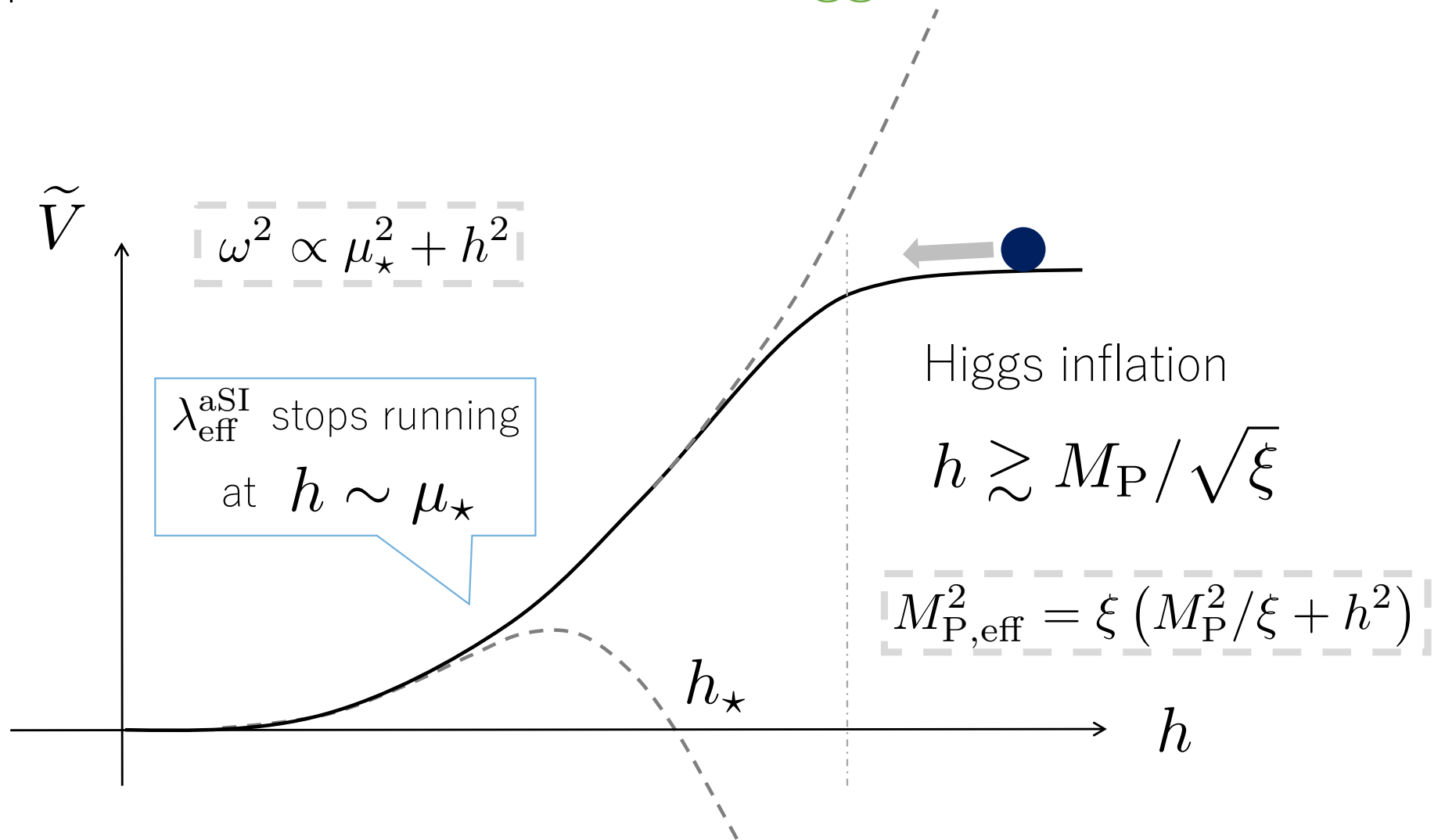
→ $\mu_{\star}^2 + h^2 \propto M_{\text{P}}^2 + \xi_{\star} h^2$

$$\xi_{\star} = M_{\text{P}}^2 / \mu_{\star}^2 \neq \xi$$

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?? Reheating temperature becomes very high.

$$T_{\text{rh}} > \Lambda|_{h=0} = \mu_{\star} \quad (\text{zero mode vanishes after thermalization})$$

➔ Thermal history after inflation
(\Rightarrow Inflationary observable)
cannot be discussed.

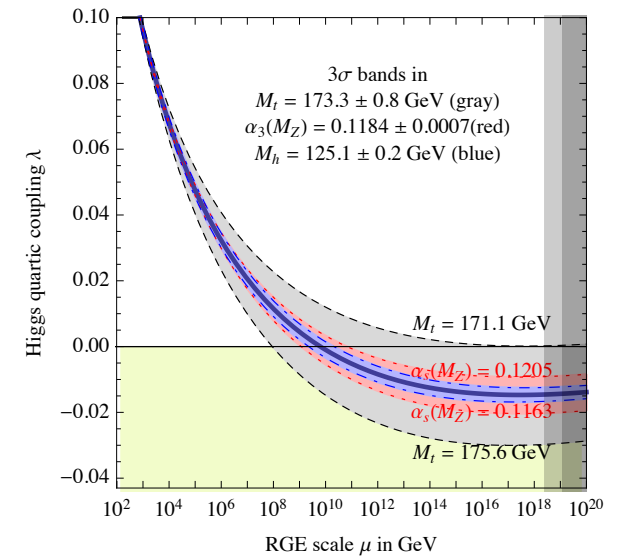
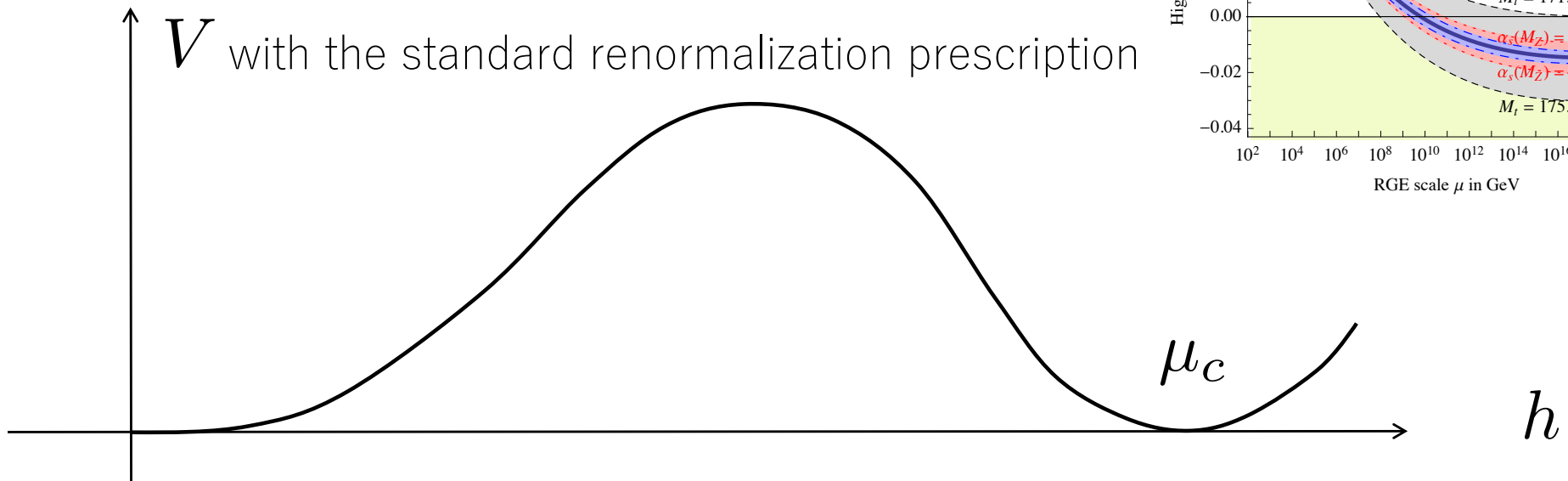
- 1, Theory above Λ ?
- 2, When $T_{\text{rh}} < \Lambda$?

Asymptotic Scale Invariance and Higgs Inflation

Critical case

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V with the standard renormalization prescription

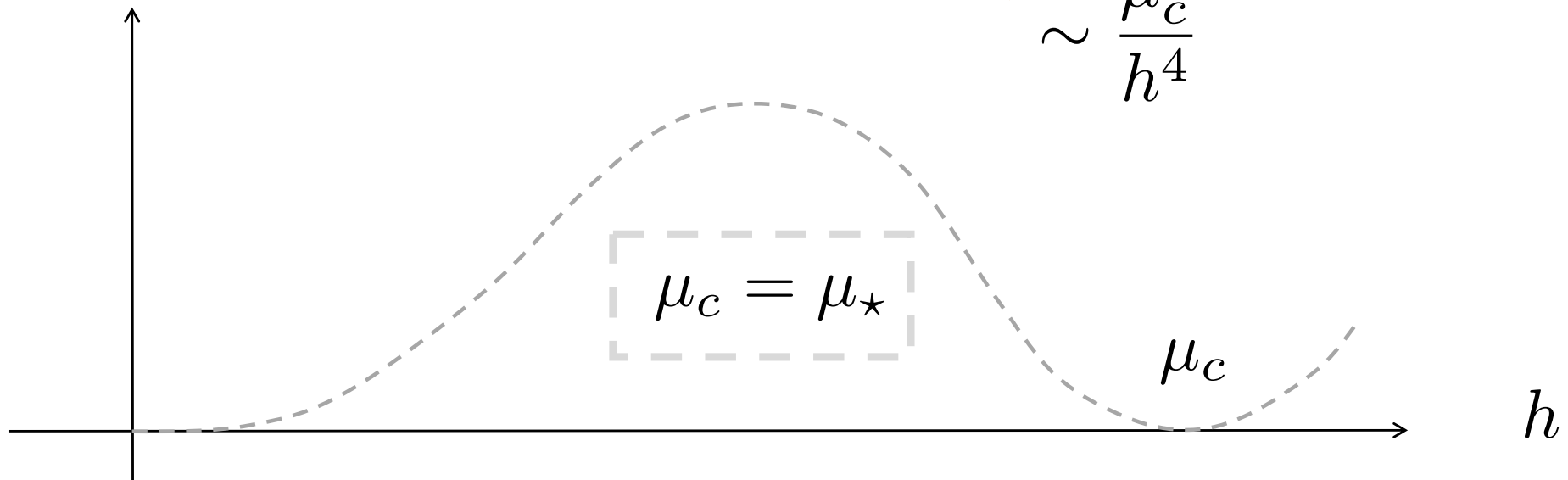


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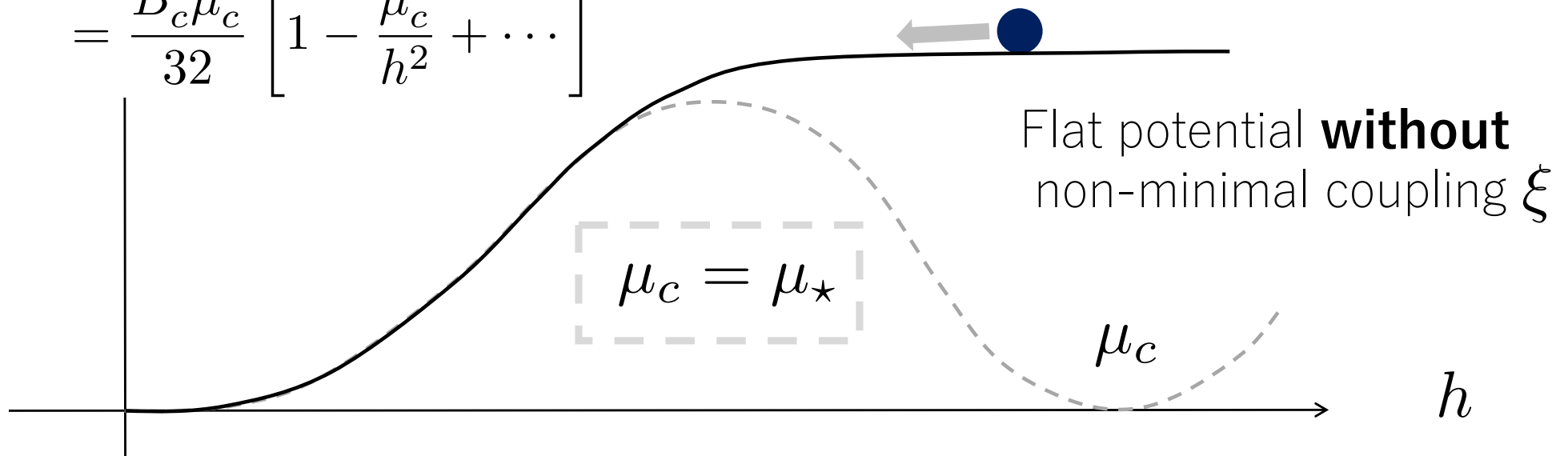


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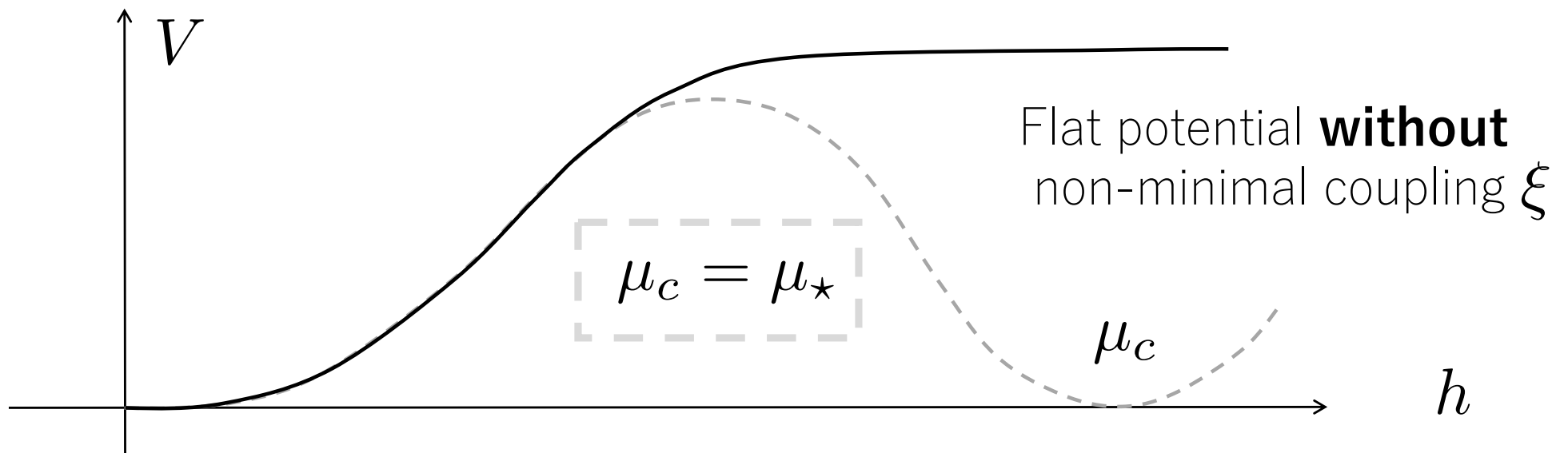
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Critical case

$$T_{\text{rh}} \lesssim V^{1/4} < \mu_c = \Lambda|_{h=0}$$

$$\mu_c \sim 10^{17} \text{ GeV} < M_P$$

$$\rightarrow A_s \simeq 2.2 \times 10^{-9}$$



Summary

Asymptotic Scale Invariance
can be responsible for our EW vacuum stability.

Perturbative computation of the effective potential is valid
because tree-unitary violation scale Λ is larger than any others.

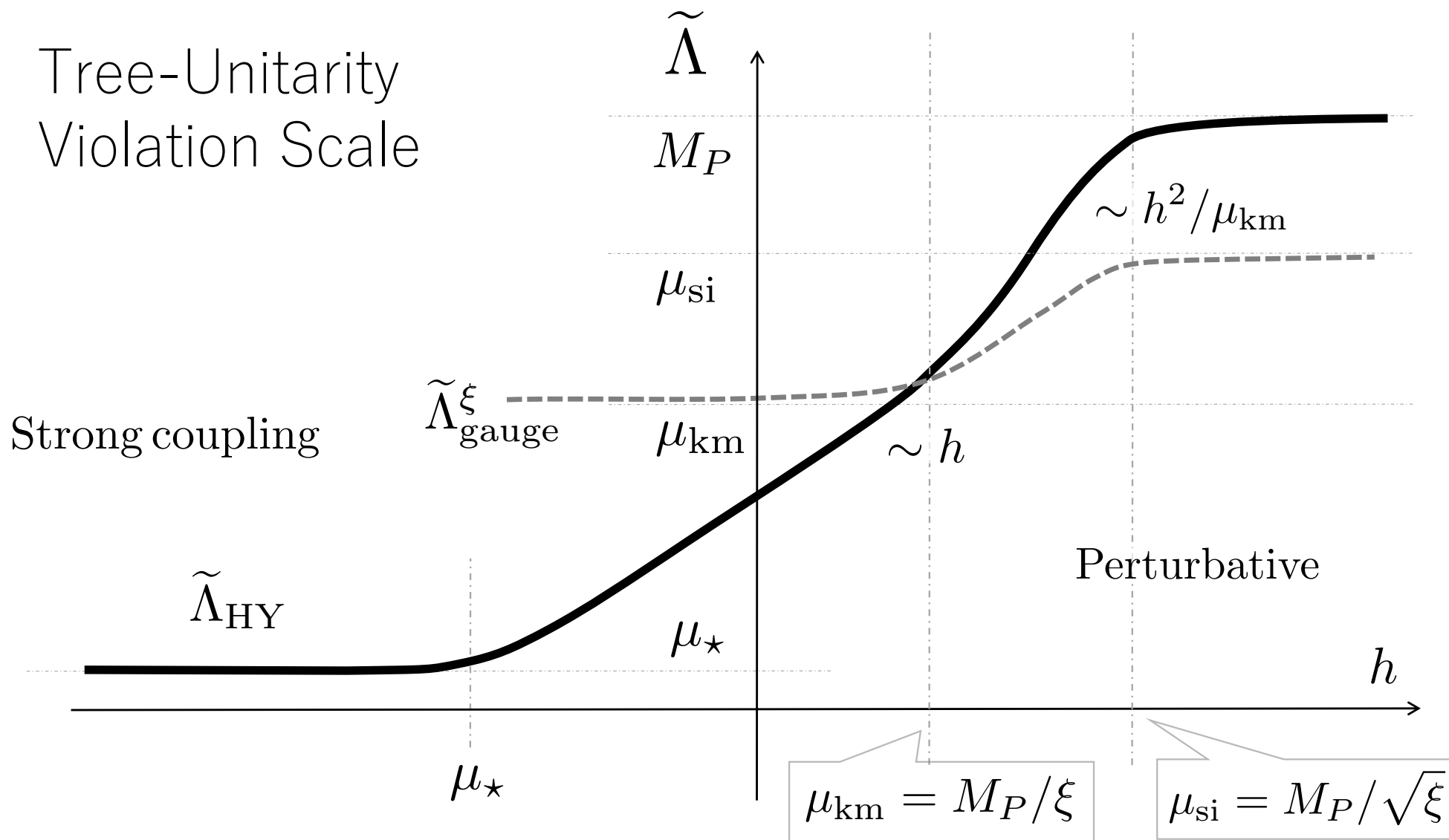
Then, Higgs inflation is also possible.

$T_{\text{rh}} > \Lambda$ for the non-critical case. Theory above Λ ?

$T_{\text{rh}} < \Lambda$ for the critical case. The theory below Λ is enough.

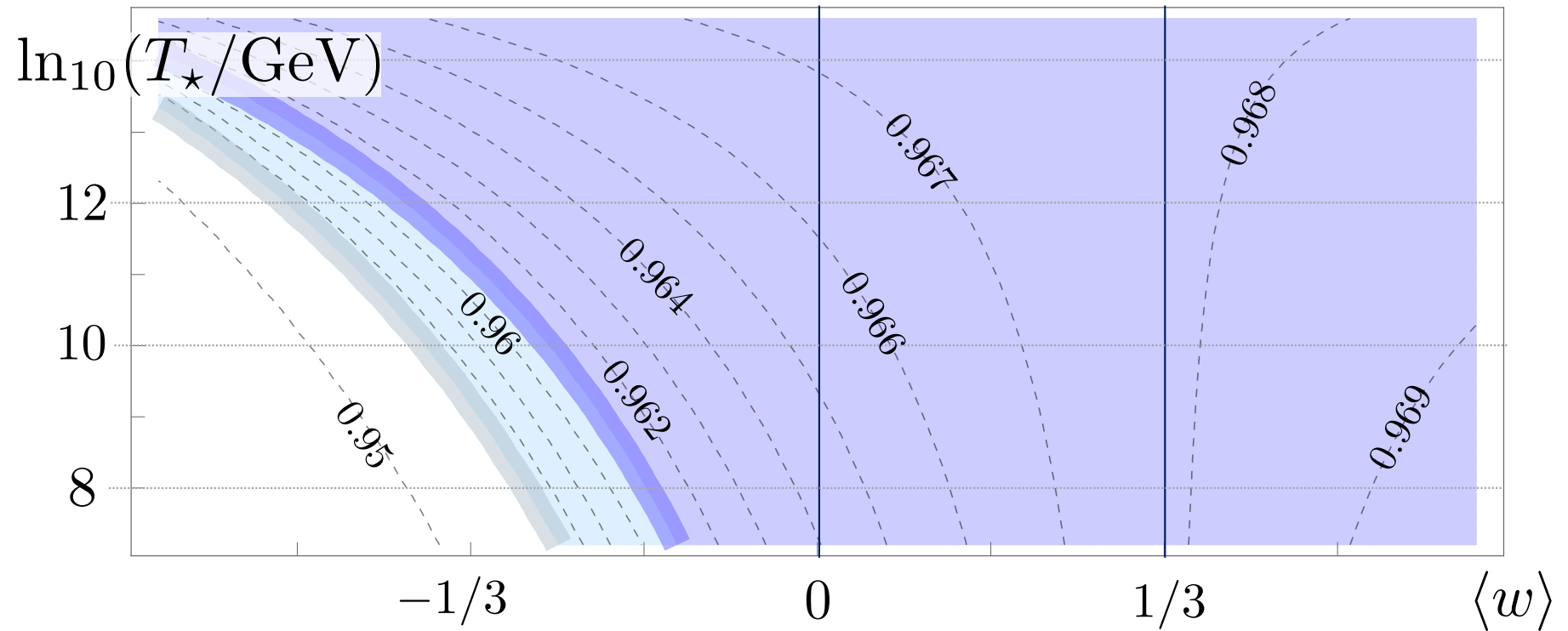
Thank you

Tree-Unitarity Violation Scale



Non-Critical Higgs Inflation

Contour plot of n_s



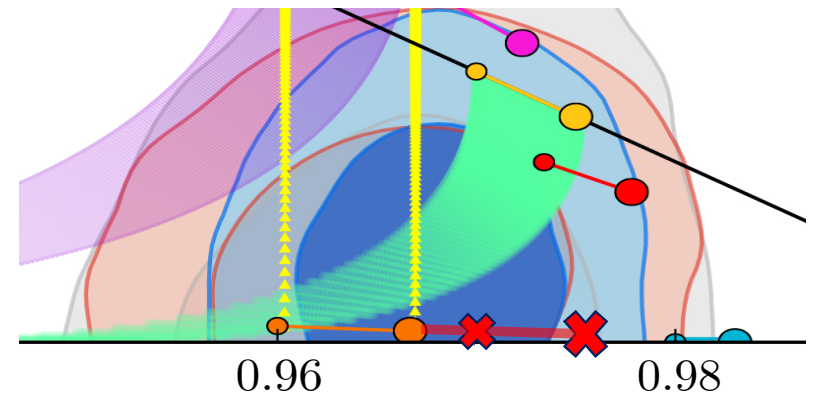
Effective EoS (End of Inflation \rightarrow Perturbative Temp. $T_* \sim \mu_*$)

Critical Higgs Inflation without ξ

With the standard thermal history,

$n_s \approx 0.975$: allowed within 2σ level

$$n_s \approx 1 - \frac{3}{2N} \quad \text{with } N = 60$$



➔ Non-standard thermal history is favored with $\Delta N \sim 15$.

Super-cooling stage?
(typically takes place in scale invariant models)