

Higgs inflation and Swampland Conjecture

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Goal

- ☑ Introduce the basic idea of '(string) **Landscape**' and '(string) **Swampland Conjecture**'
- ☑ explain **why the conjecture is reasonable** in terms of particle physics
- ☑ then illustrate **how to use** the conjecture for particle physics models e.g. Higgs, Higgs inflation

Quantum Gravity

- Probably, gravity is also quantized...

A. Sen's argument for QG

Quantum

$$G_{\mu\nu} = T_{\mu\nu}$$

Classical?

- The prime candidates are **string theories**
- even though mathematically beautiful but they never get experimentally tested
- ...unfortunately, **we don't really know what to test.**

String landscape

...partly because there are too many string theories

- According to the latest estimate there are (at least!) $\sim 10^{272000}$ vacua, typically with gauge groups like

$$G = (E_8)^{38} \times (F_4)^{94} \times (G_2)^{288} \times SU(2)^{432}$$

[W.Taylor,Y.Wang, "Scanning the skeleton of the 4D F theory landscape", 1710.11235[hep-th]]

quote from H. Nicolì's talk @CSI CERN TH 2019 Feb

Practically, it is not possible to look into details of all these vacua

String Landscape



Swampland

The swampland is the set of (seemingly consistent) effective field theories, which cannot be obtained from a consistent string construction.

Eagle & Crocodile



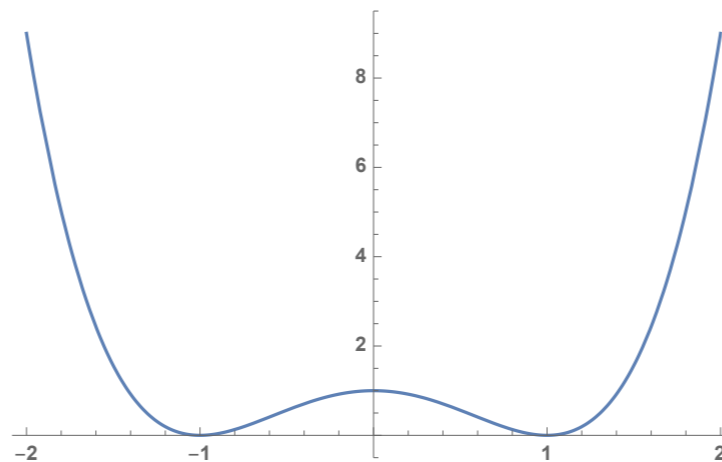
**A theory living in Landscape
consistent with Quantum Gravity**



A theory living in Swampland

Is Higgs in Landscape?

$$V = \frac{\lambda}{4}(h^2 - v^2)^2$$



or



Swampland Conjecture

Obied, Ooguri, Spondyneikeo and Vafa, arXiv:1806.08362

The total scalar potential $V(\phi)$ of a low energy effective theory consistent to a quantum gravity theory needs to satisfy the following condition:

$$|\nabla V| \geq c \frac{V}{M_{\text{Pl}}}$$

$$c \sim O(1)$$

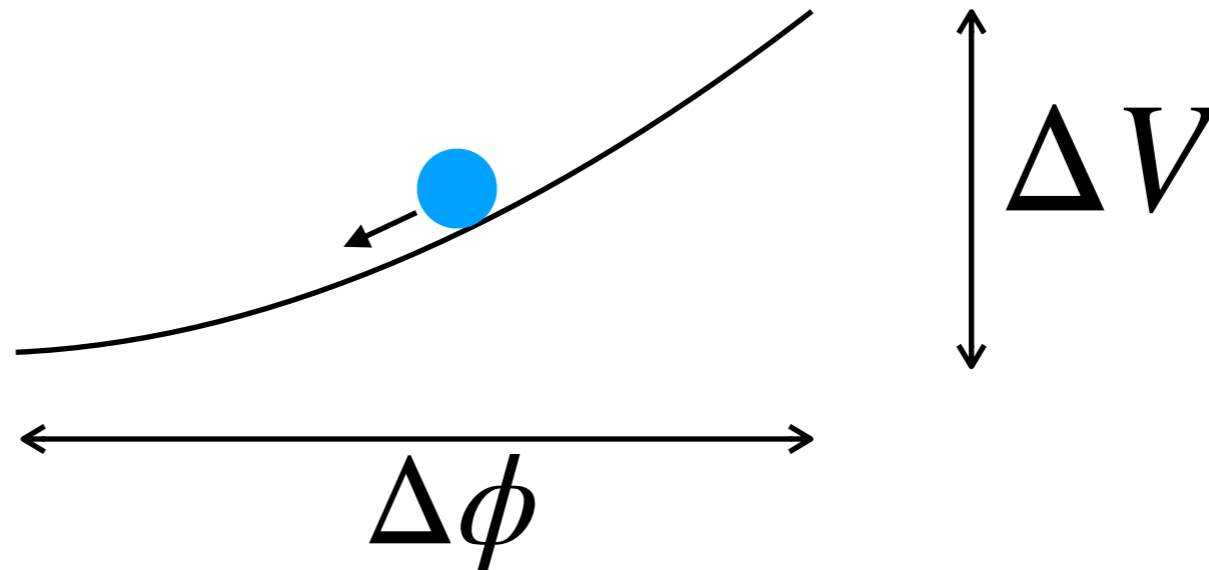
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looks reasonable

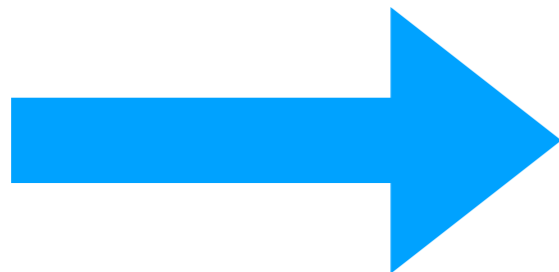
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$$\frac{\Delta V}{\Delta\phi} \geq \mathcal{O}(1) \frac{V}{M_P}$$

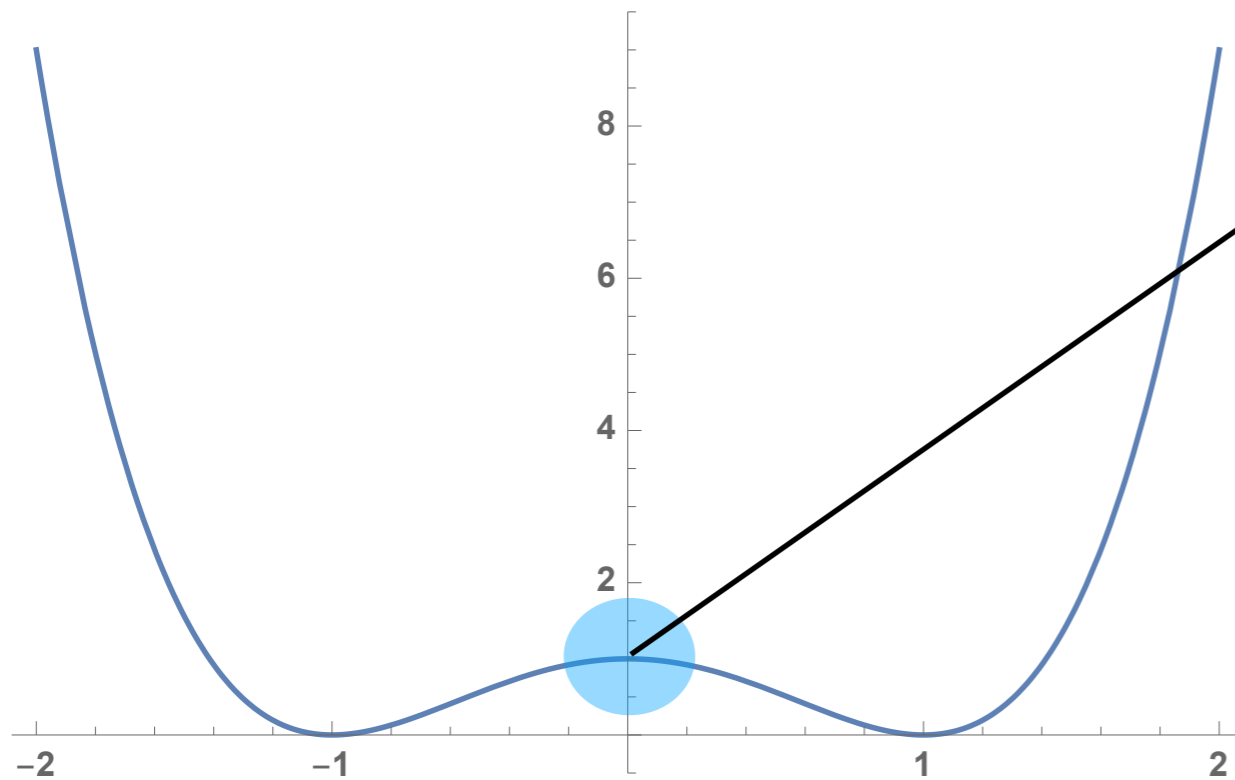


$$\frac{\Delta\phi}{M_P} \leq \mathcal{O}(1) \times \frac{\Delta V}{V} \leq \mathcal{O}(1)$$

:sub-Planckian excursion
in low energy effective theory

SW \Rightarrow Higgs potential

$$V = \frac{\lambda}{4}(h^2 - v^2)^2$$



$$V' = 0, V > 0$$

does not satisfy the criterion



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Is our universe ruled out by string theory?

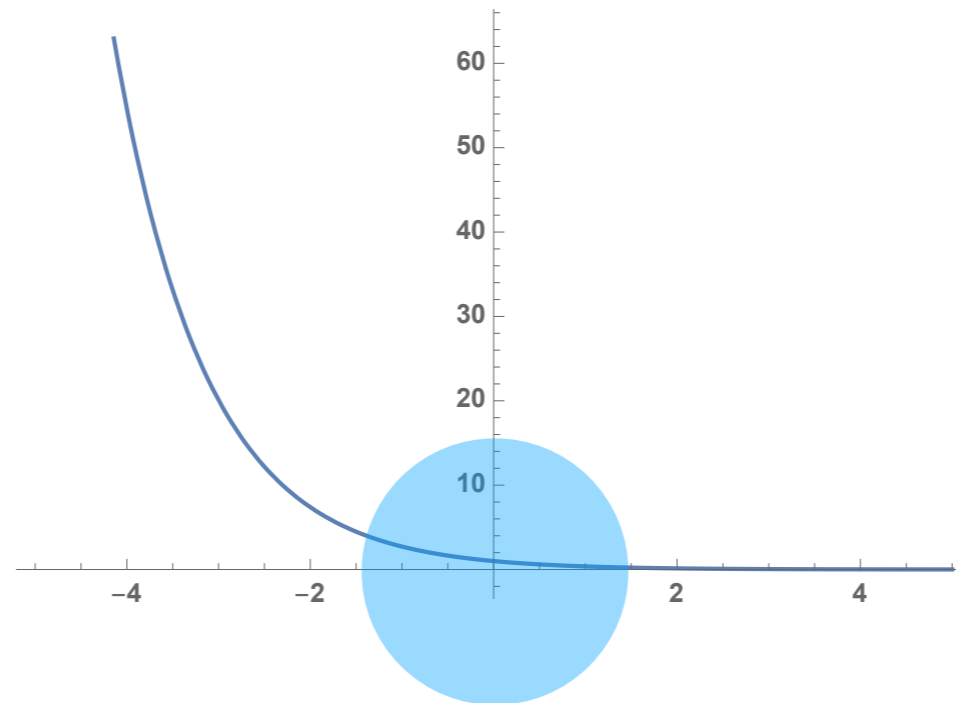
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Wait! Quintessence

$$V_Q = \Lambda_Q^4 e^{-C_Q Q}$$



$$Q \sim 1, \Lambda_Q \sim m_\nu$$

CHECK:

$$|V'_Q| = C_Q V_Q \geq c V_Q$$

$$C_Q \geq c \sim O(1)$$



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Refined Swampland Conjecture

Ooguri, Palti, Shiu and Vafa arXiv:1810.05506

S. K. Garg and C. Krishnan arXiv:1807.05193

Any scalar potential $V(\phi)$ for scalar fields in a low energy effective theory of a consistent quantum gravity must satisfy **at least one of the following conditions**:

$$|\nabla V| \geq c_1 \frac{V}{M_{\text{Pl}}}$$

$$\nabla_i \nabla_j V \leq -c_2 \frac{V}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}$$

$c_1, c_2 \sim O(1)$, **positive**

looks reasonable too!

-Weak Gravity Conjecture-

Arkani-Hamed, Motl, Nocolis, Vafa 2007

$$V \sim \Lambda^4 \cos(\phi/f)$$

$$V' \sim -\frac{\Lambda^4}{f} \sin(\phi/f)$$

$$V'' \sim -\frac{\Lambda^4}{f^2} \cos(\phi/f) = -\frac{V}{f^2} > -\frac{V}{M_P^2}$$

$f < M_P$ (WGC) ↓

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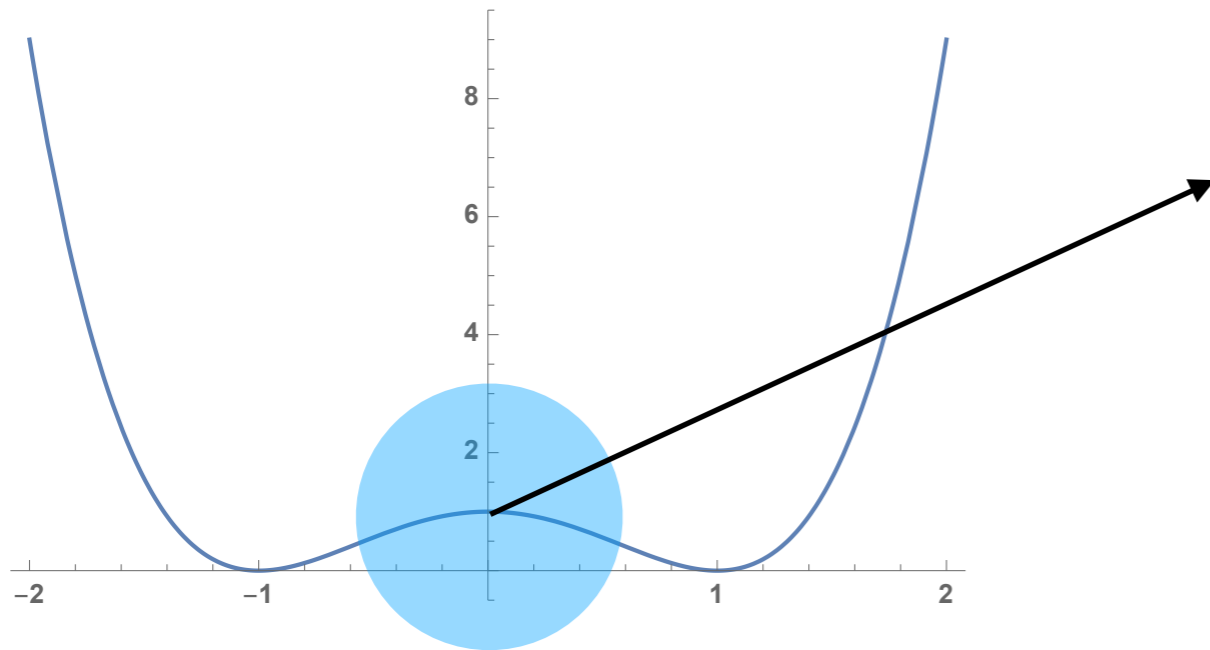
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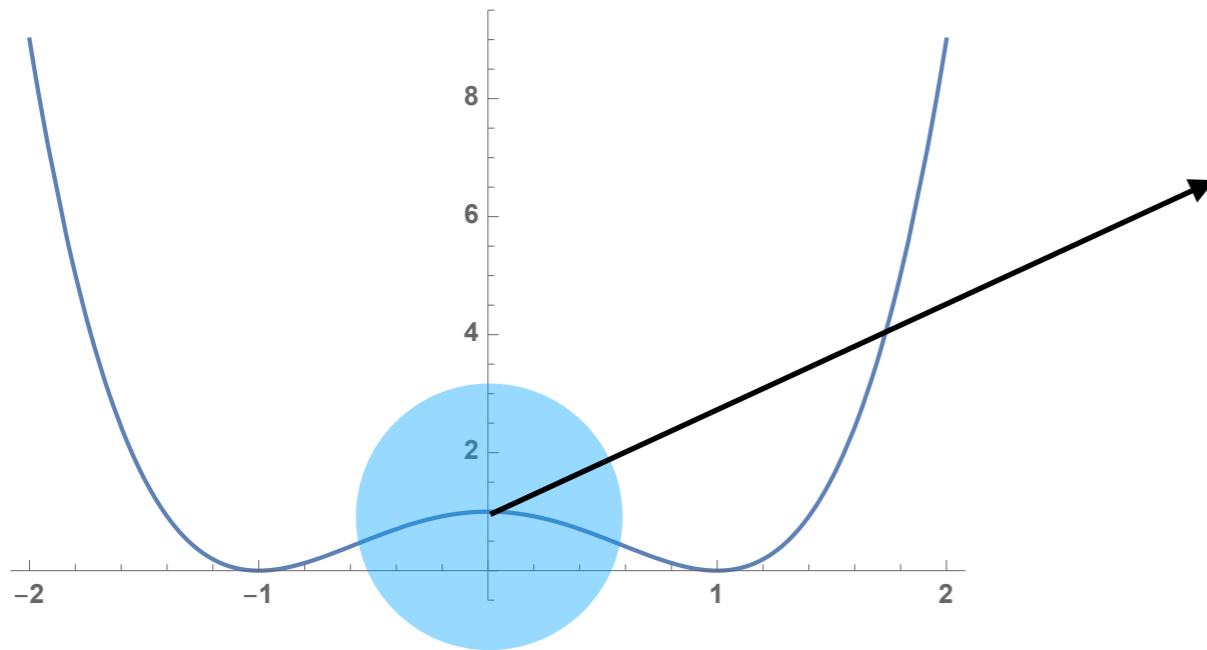
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$$M_{\text{Pl}} |\nabla V| \geq c_1 V \longrightarrow \text{not satisfied}$$

$$M_{\text{Pl}}^2 \nabla_i \nabla_j V \leq -c_2 V \longrightarrow \text{satisfied!}$$



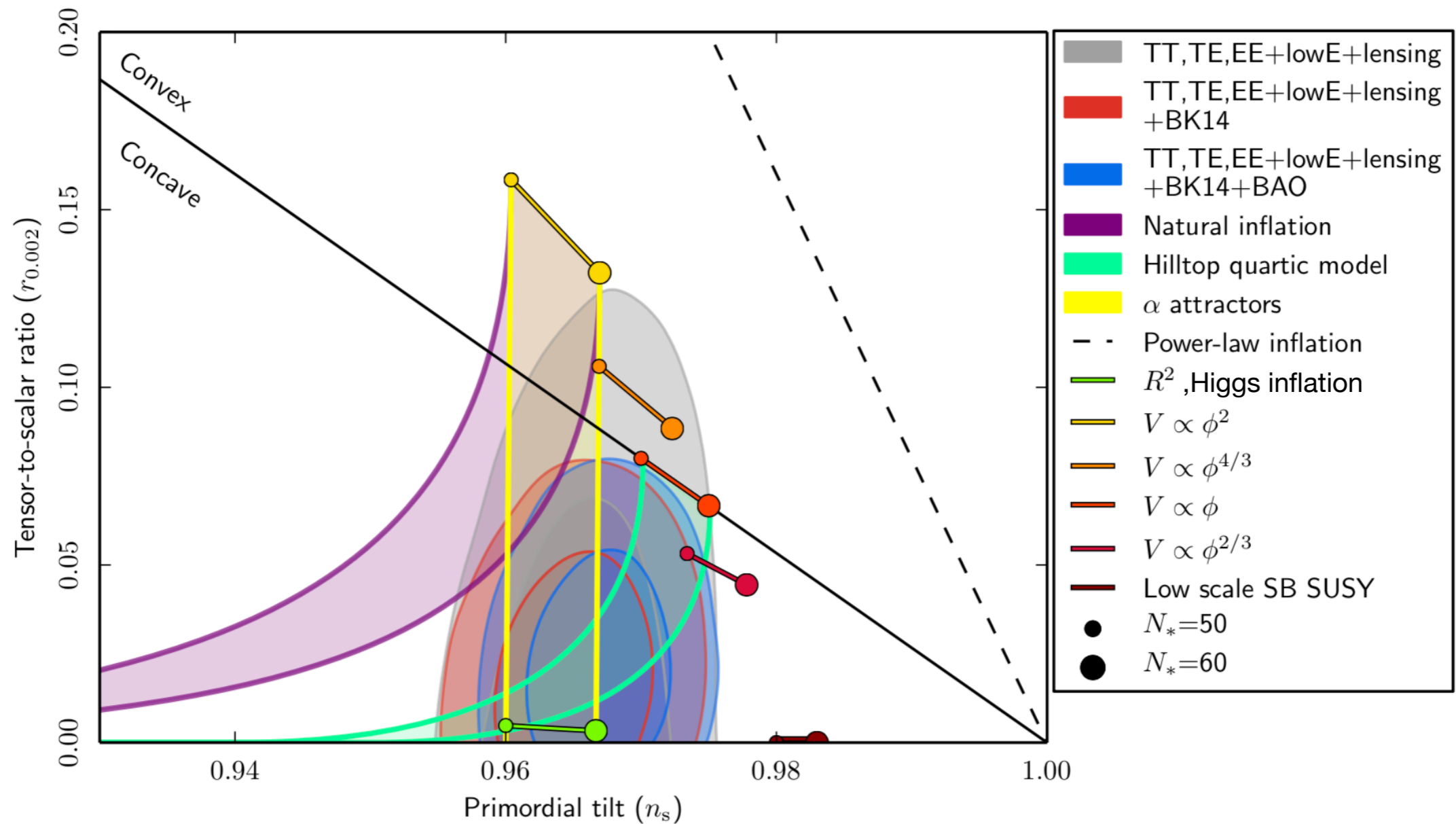
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Higgs inflation

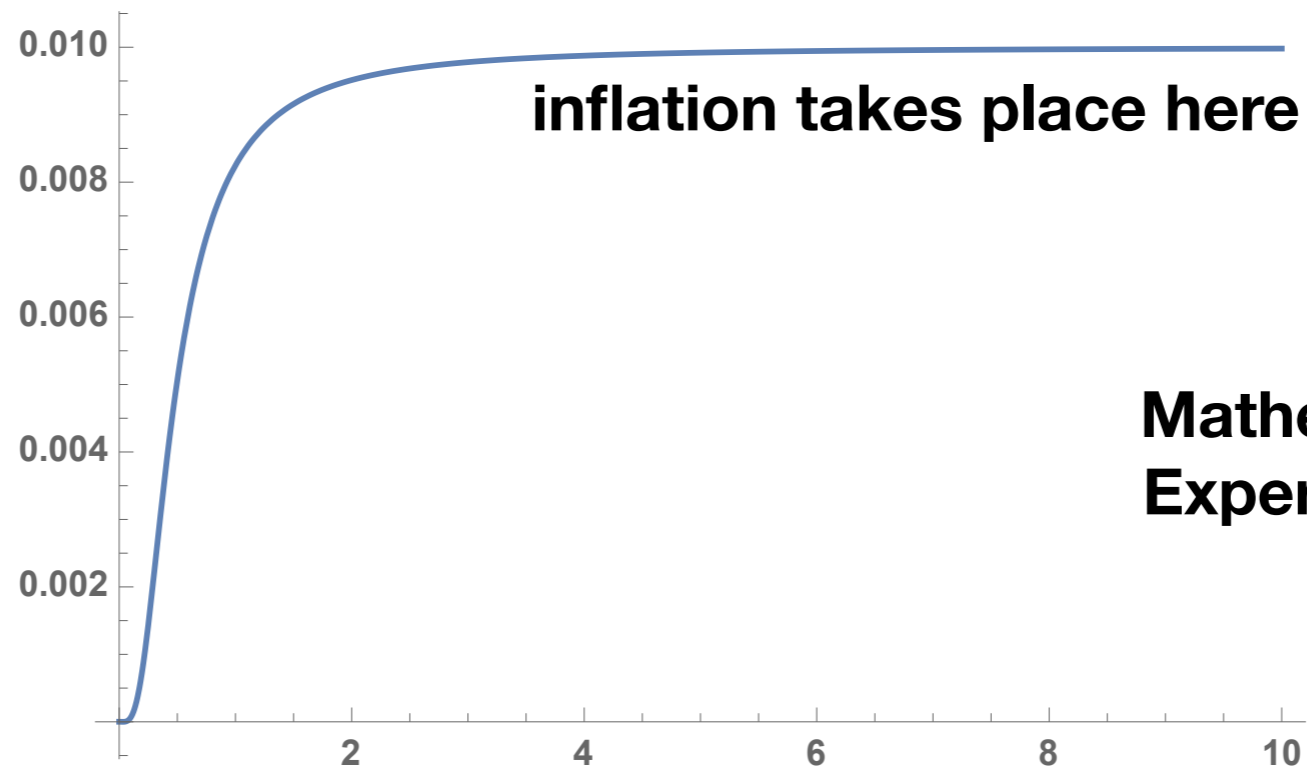
the best fit model of cosmology!



Y. Akrami et.al [Planck Collaboration],
arXiv:1807.06211 [astro-ph.CO]

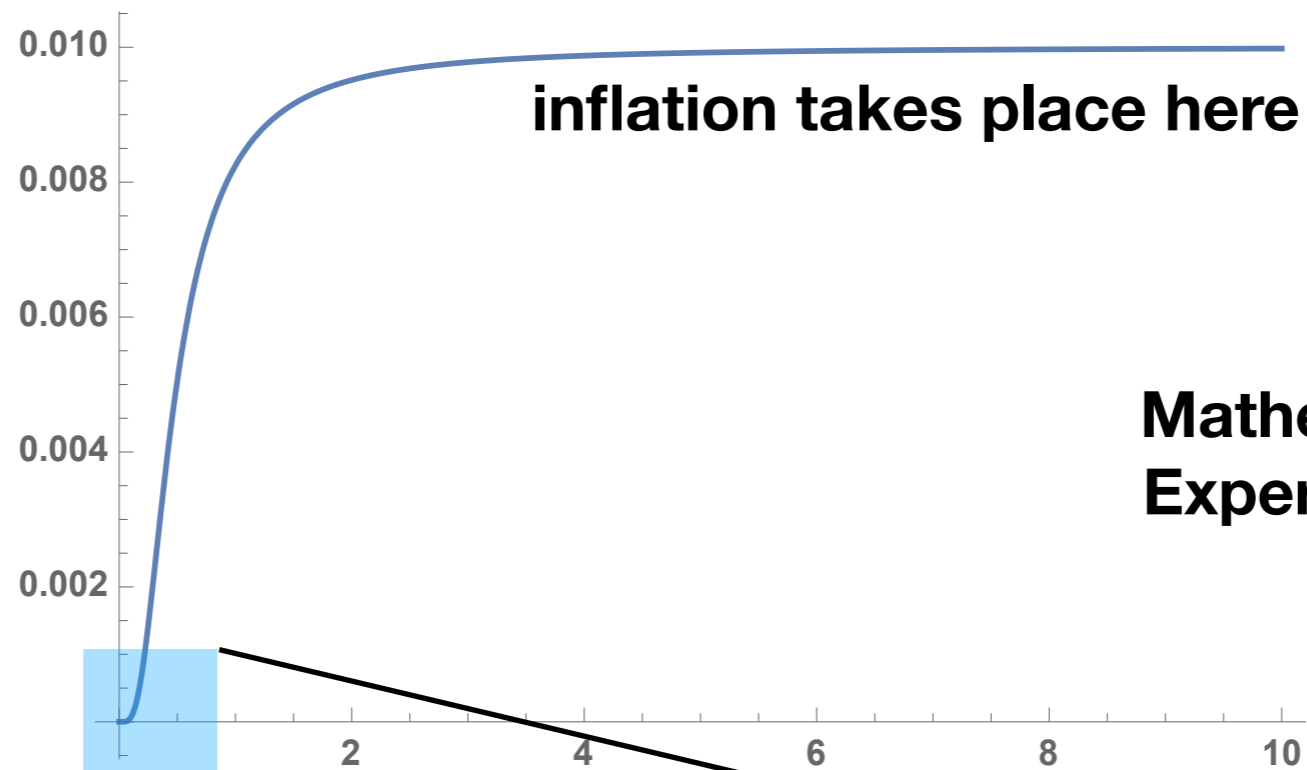
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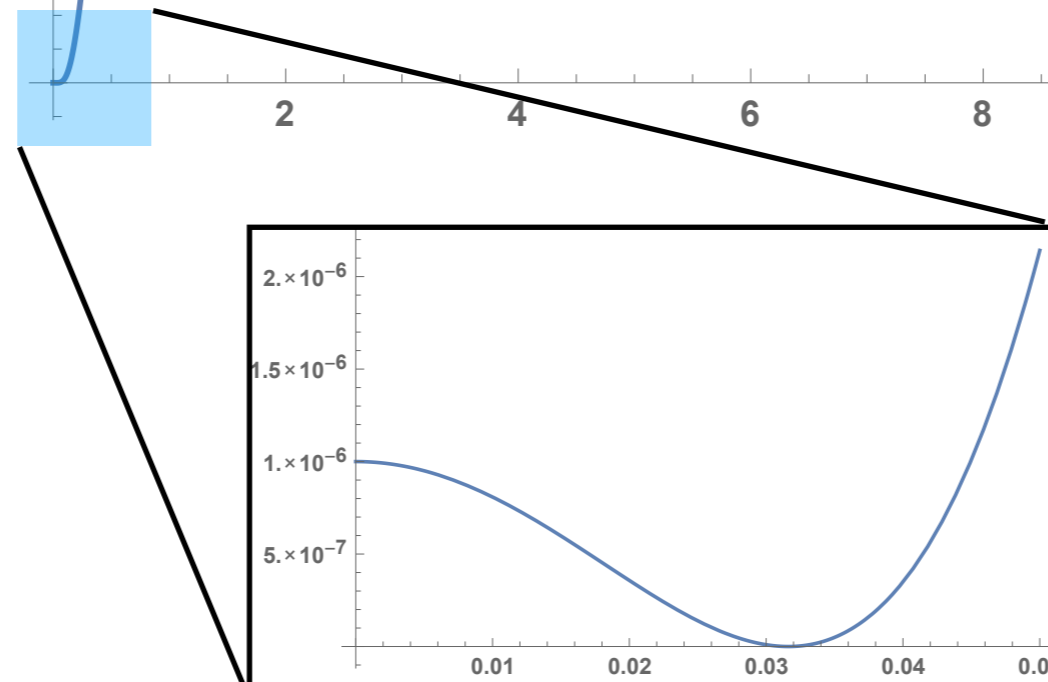


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Mathematically Beautiful
Experimentally verifiable



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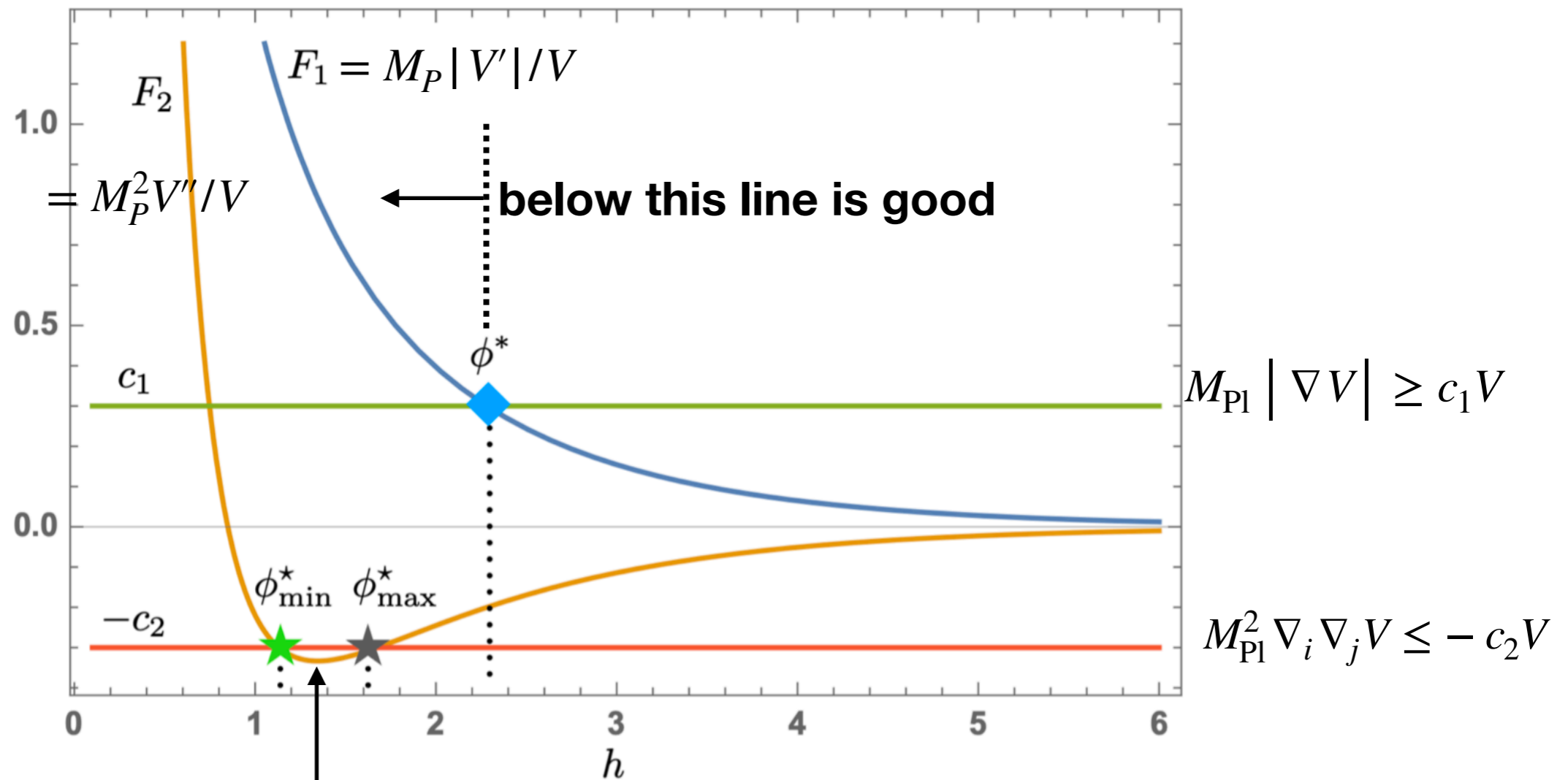


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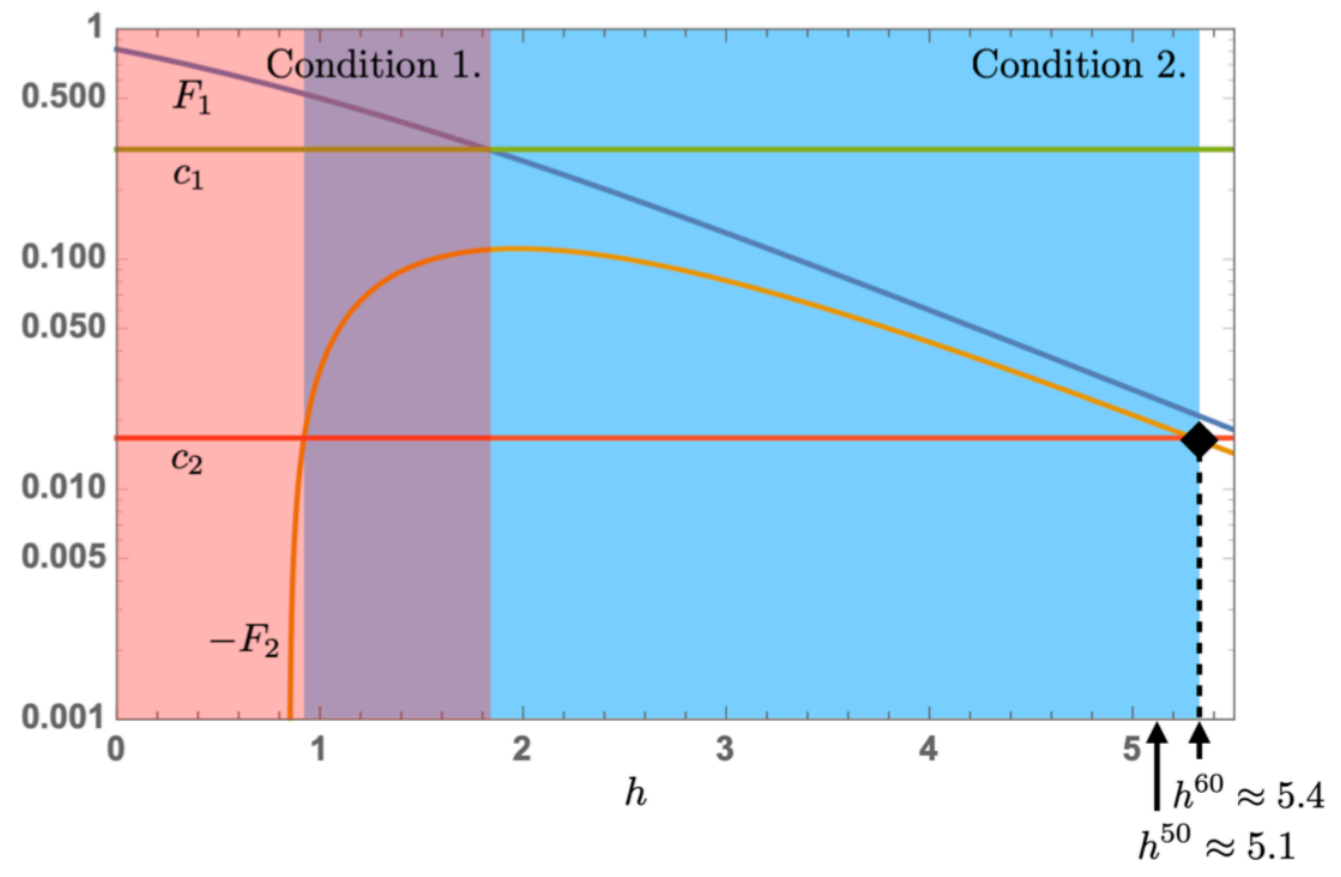
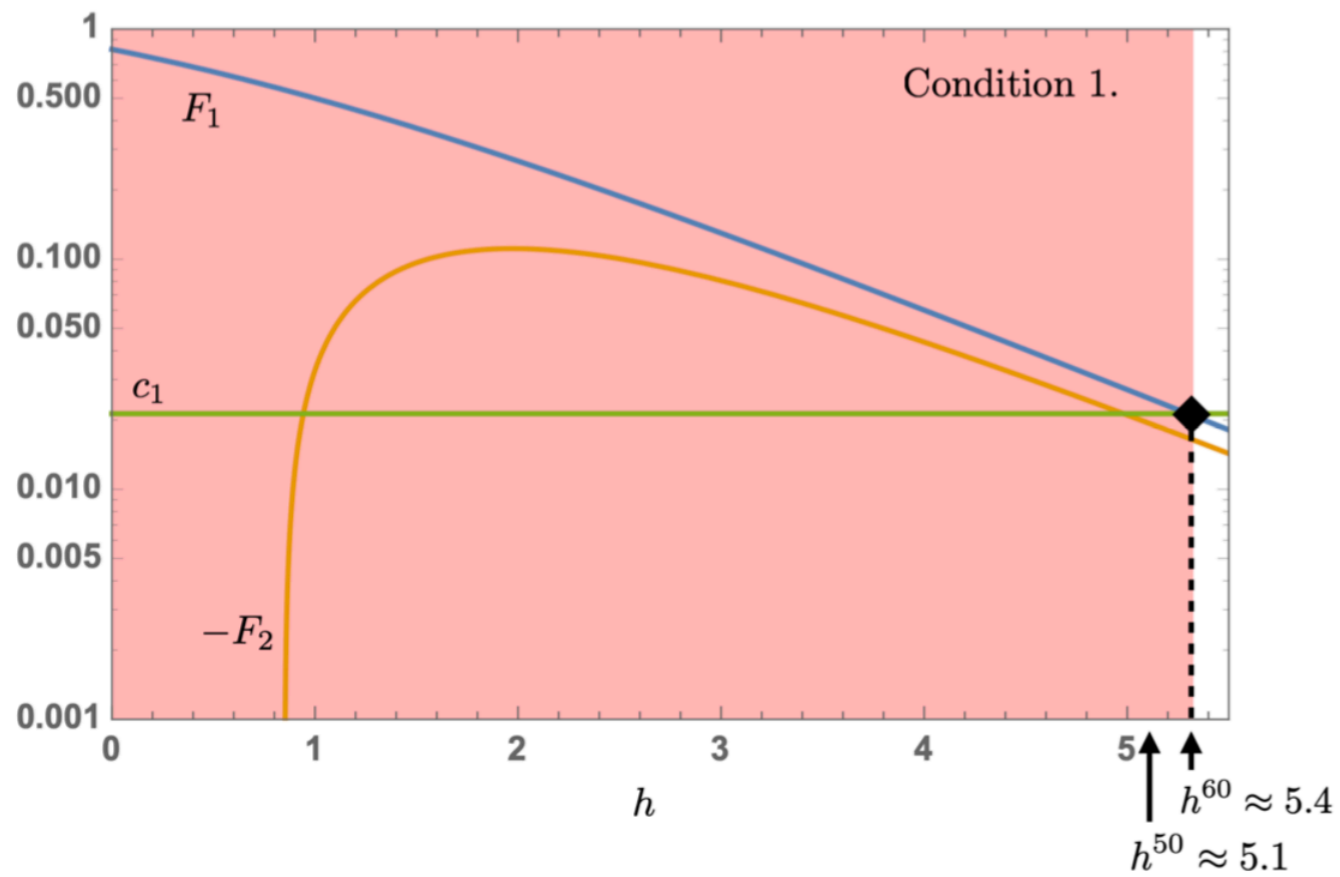


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$c_1, c_2 \sim O(1), \text{positive}$

only this part is good

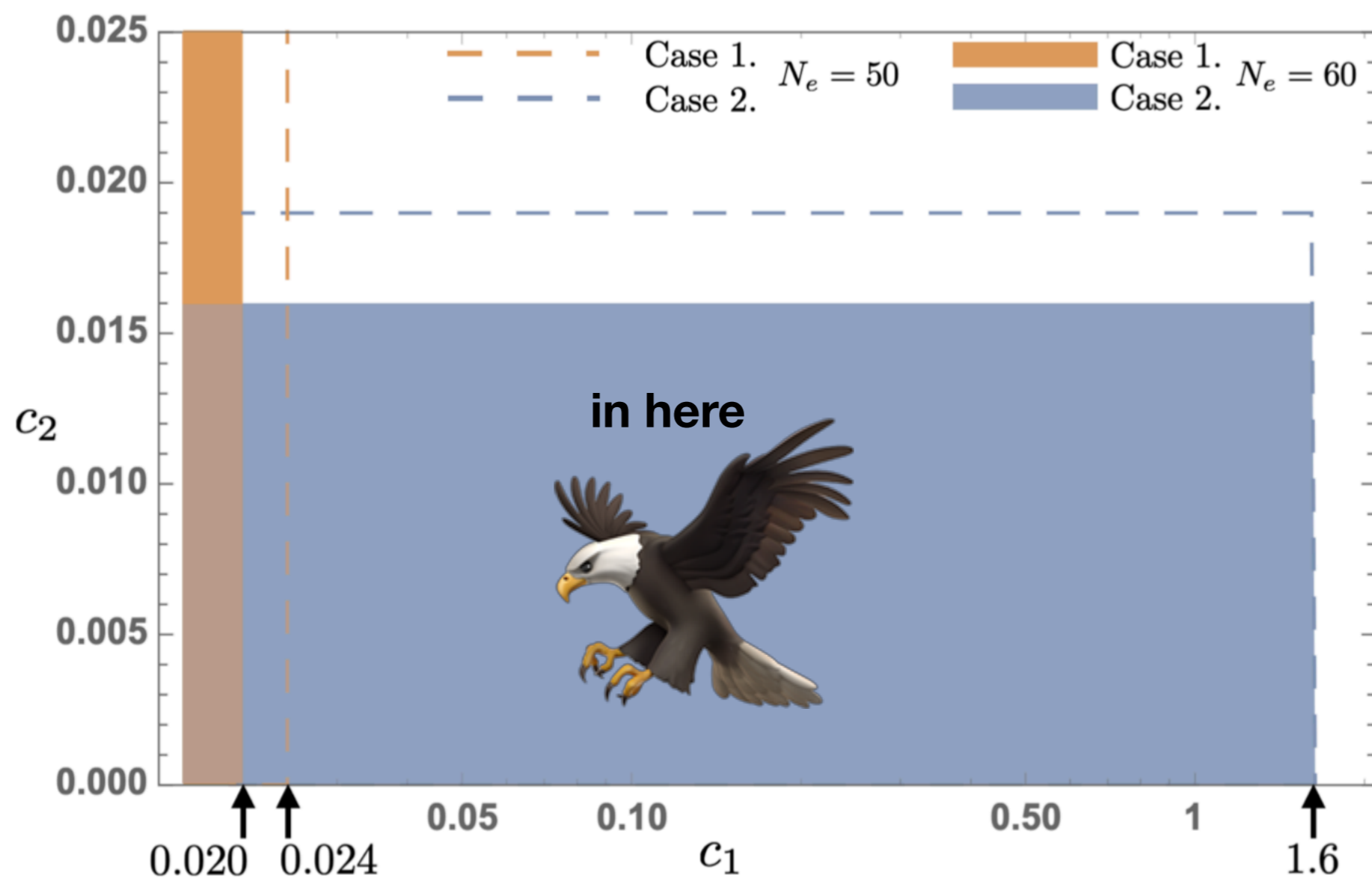


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So, this is the result



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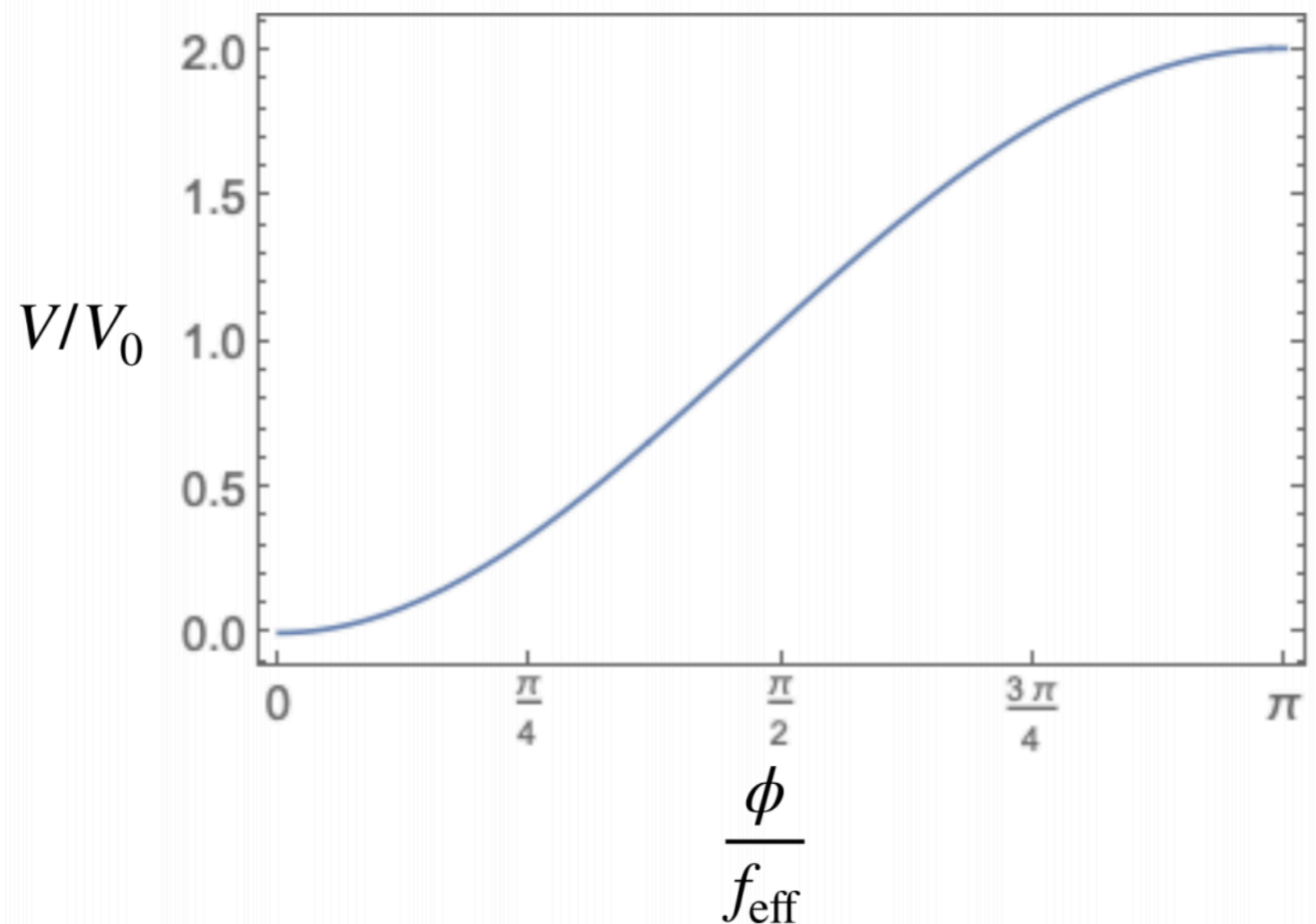
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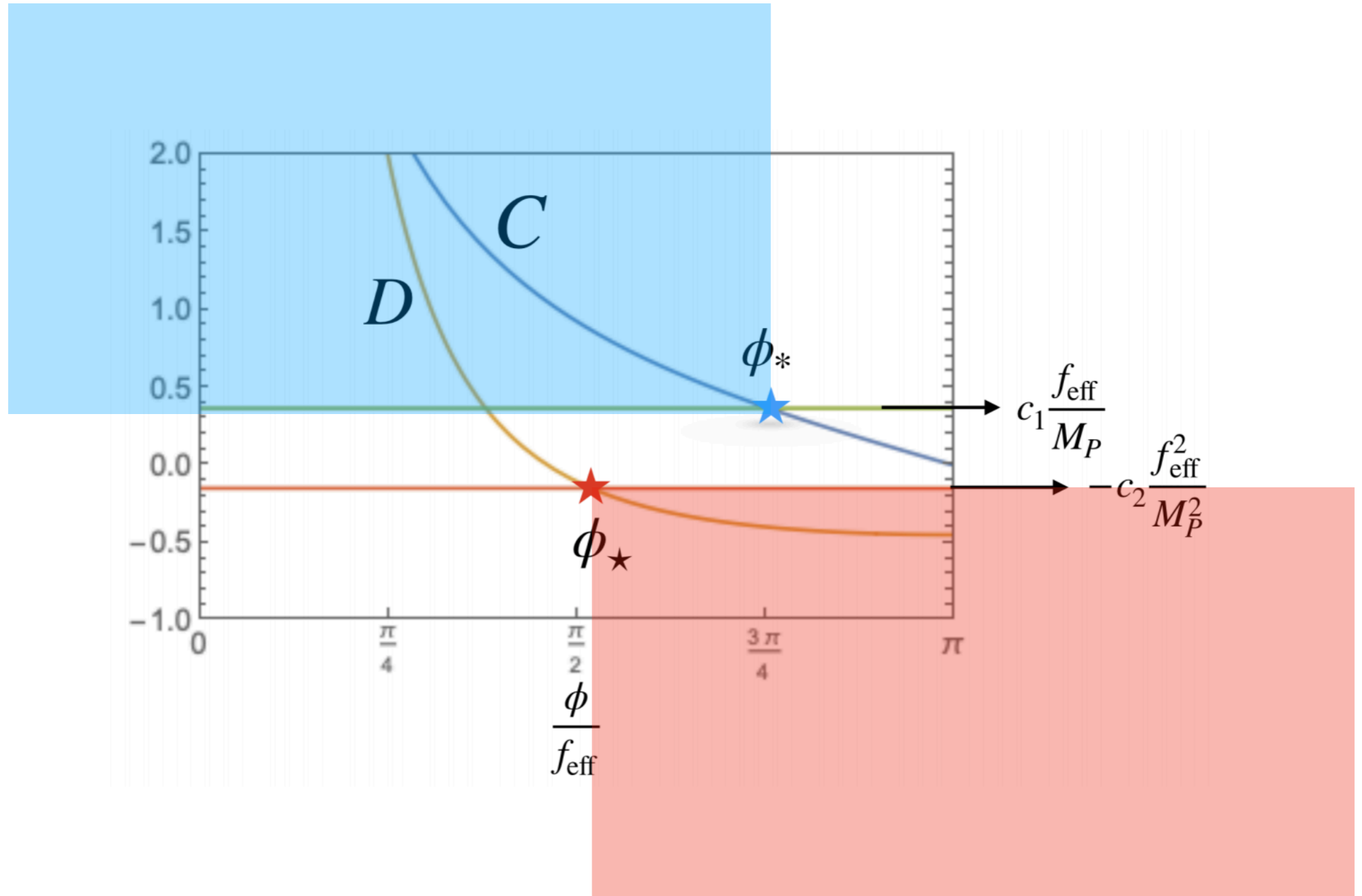
Gauge inflation

- Inflaton = A_5 Hosotani-san's talk
- Potential is protected by higher dimensional gauge symmetry, $SU(2)$...
- which is broken at $1/R$ (\sim GUT) scale
- Potential developed via gauge self interactions, $Pot=CW$
- A minimal version constructed ... [**SCP**, J.-O. Gong 08']
then tested by Swampland conjecture recently [**SCP**18']

$$\begin{aligned}
 V(\phi) &= V_0 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^5} \left[1 - \cos \frac{n\phi}{f_{\text{eff}}} \right] \\
 &= -\frac{V_0}{2} \left[\text{Li}_5(e^{i\phi/f_{\text{eff}}}) + \text{Li}_5(e^{-i\phi/f_{\text{eff}}}) - 2\zeta(5) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$



[SCP, J-O. Gong 08']



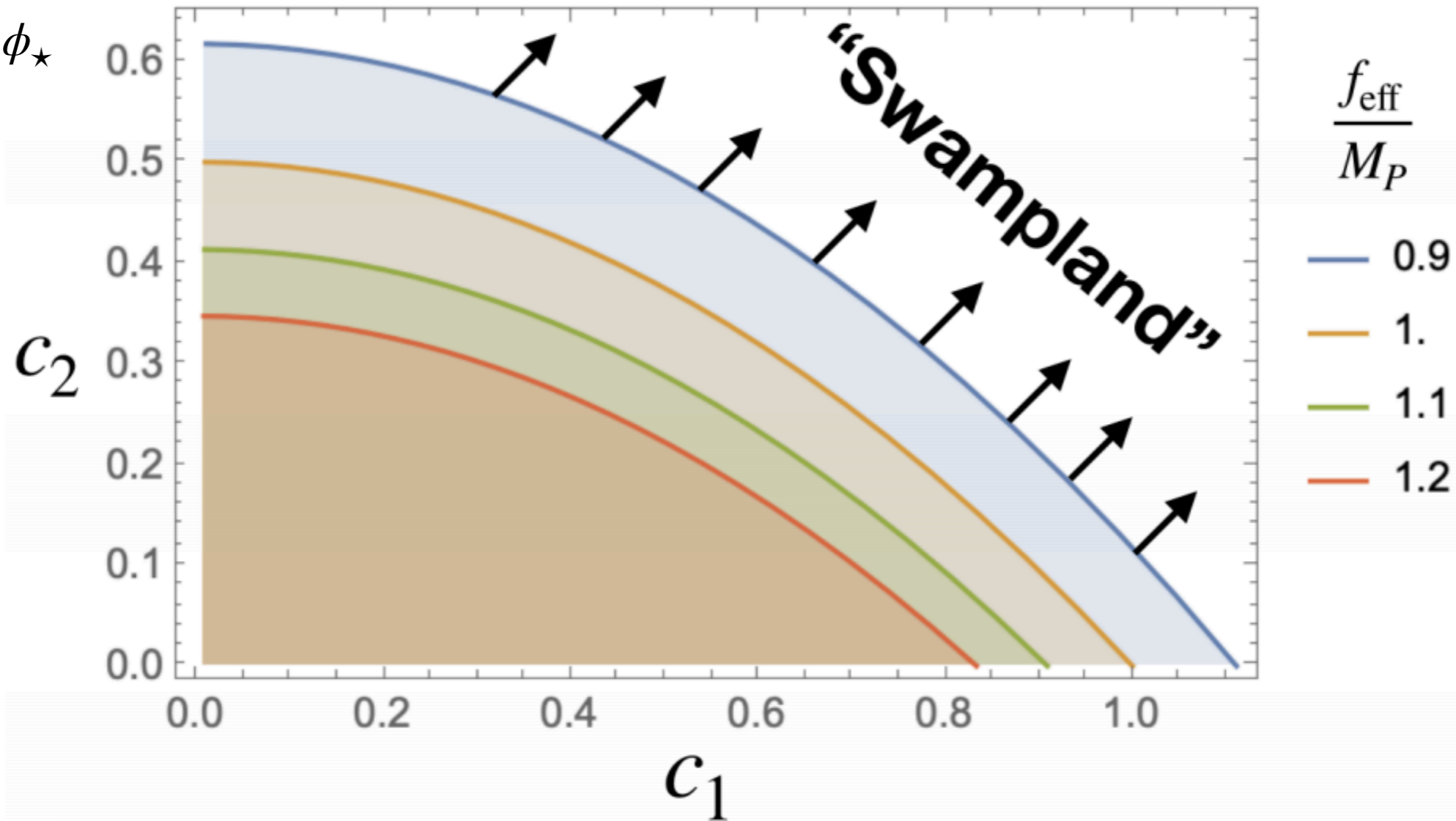
If $\phi_* \geq \phi_\star$, the theory is good.

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conclusion



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looks reasonable

- Recently proposed '**Swampland conjecture**' provides us a **theoretical playground** to test our effective theory models
- A theory is either an eagle living in Landscape or a crocodile living in Swampland
- We checked
 - Higgs
 - Quintessence
 - Higgs inflation
 - Minimal gauge inflationand showed that they are in Landscape
- You may want to check **your own favorite EFT** model too