

Hyperinflation: Stuck in the Swampland

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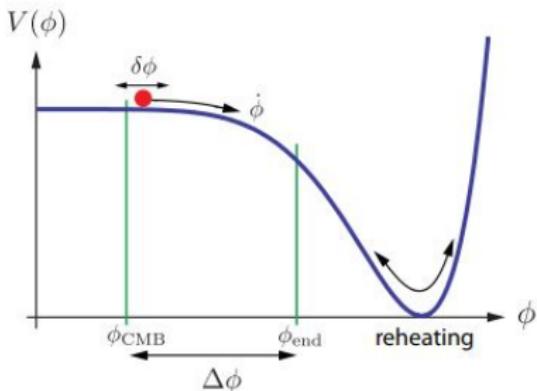
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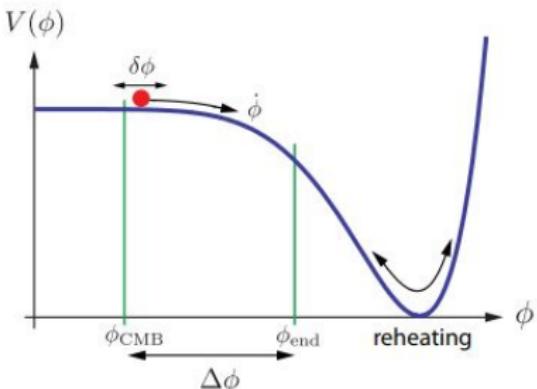
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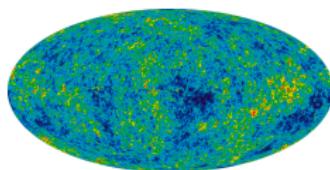
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⇒ Why bother with multiple fields, then?

- Natural from particle theory viewpt
- Richer phenomenology ³
- "Swampland" Conjectures
- Non-Gaussianity Signatures ⁴



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EoM \rightarrow autonomous system:

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= -(3 - \epsilon)(x + p_\rho) + y^2 \\ y' &= -(3 - \epsilon + x)y \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

and the Hubble flow parameter, in the small field limit $M_H \leq 10^{-3} M_p$

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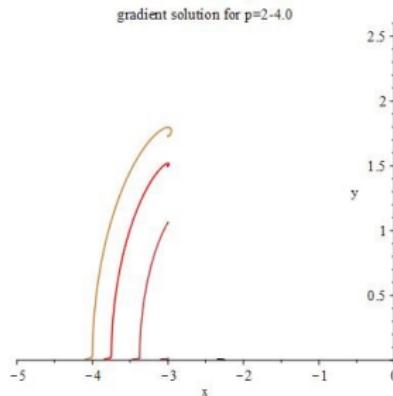
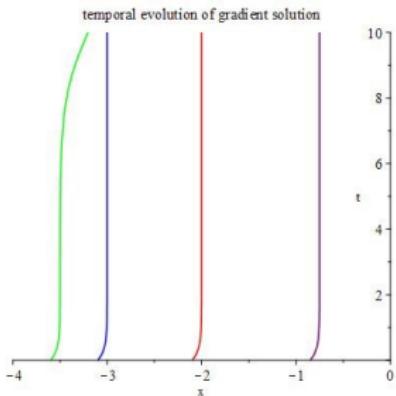
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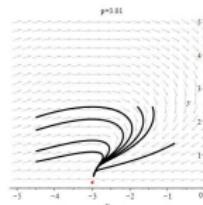
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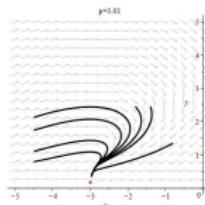
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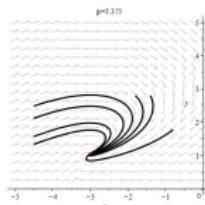
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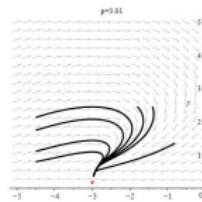
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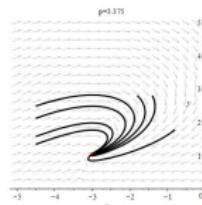
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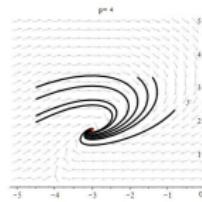
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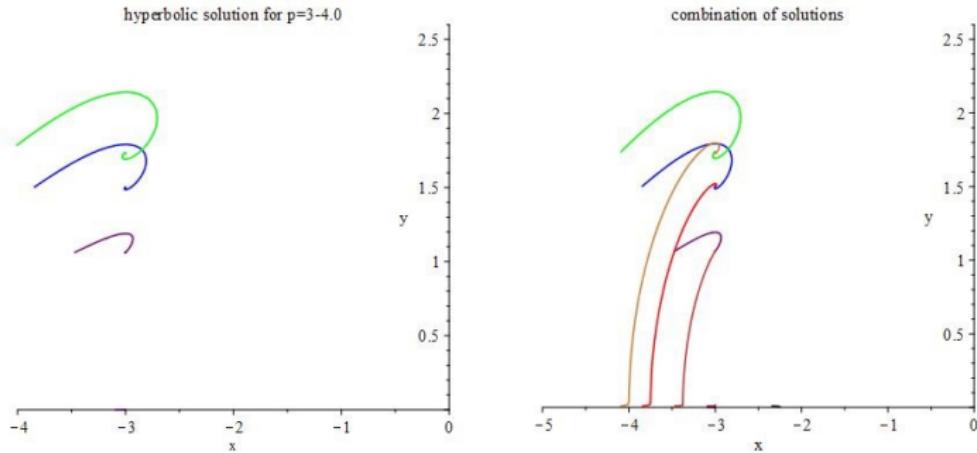
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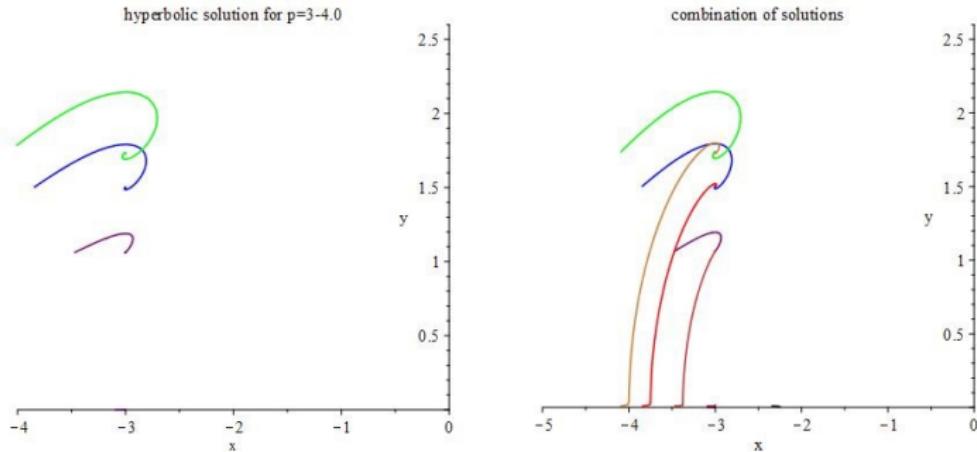


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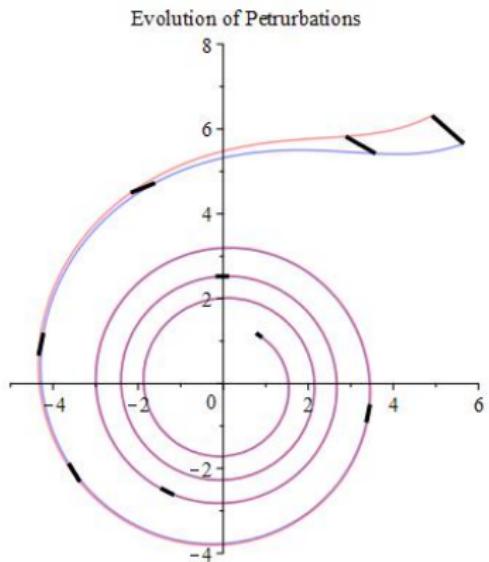


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Hyperinflation is an attractor in the regime that gradient solution is a repeller.

Perturbation Dynamics - Heuristic

Evolution of two neighboring trajectories in the configuration F-S:



Expected behaviour:

- ▶ Adiabatic (along the trajectory) perturbations asymptote to a constant
- ▶ Isocurvature (normal to the trajectory) vanish

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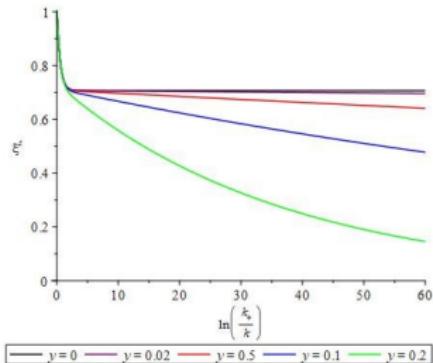
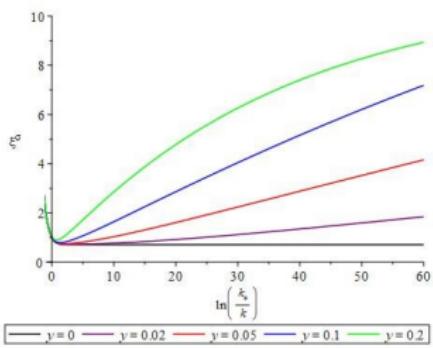
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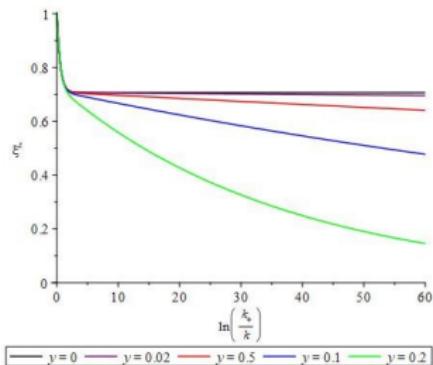
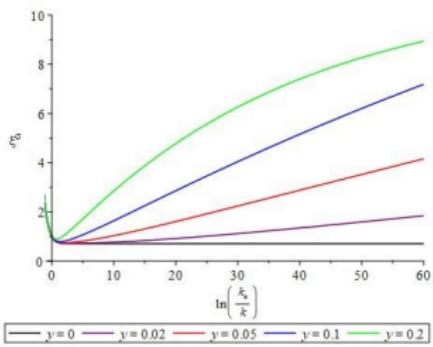


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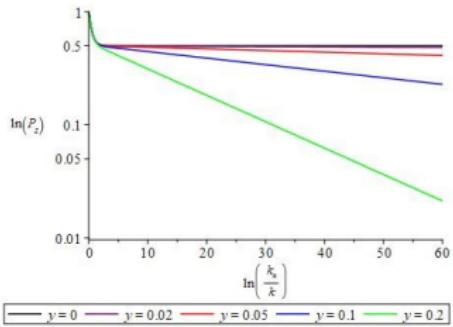
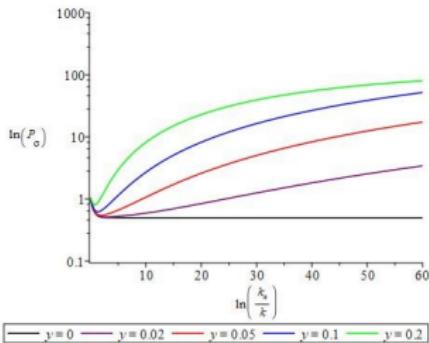


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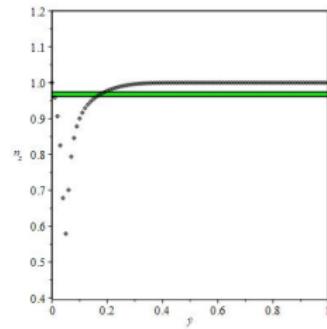


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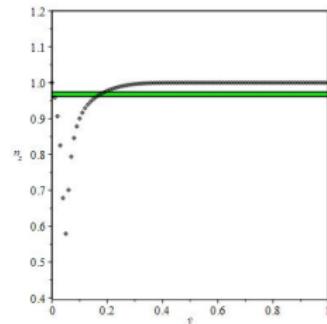
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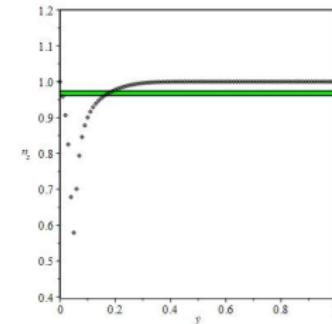
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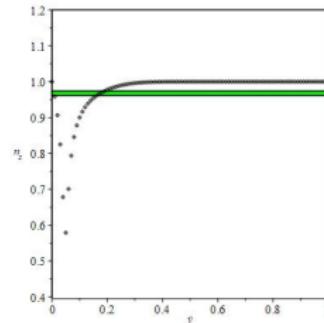
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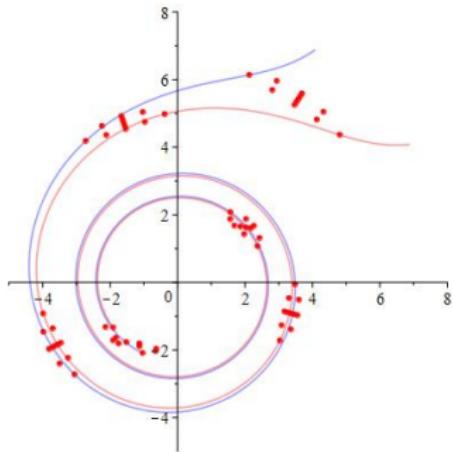
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