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recent work with:

Aaron Held ([1705.02342](#), PRD 96 (2017), 086025;
[1707.01107](#), Phys.Lett. B777 (2018) 217-221
[1803.04072](#))

Fleur Versteegen ([arXiv:1709.07252](#), JHEP 1801 (2018) 030)

Nic Christiansen ([1702.07724](#), Phys.Lett. B770 (2017) 154-160)

Yuta Hamada, Johannes Lumma, Masatoshi Yamada ([1712.00319](#), PRD 97 (2018) no.8, 086004)



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electroweak scale

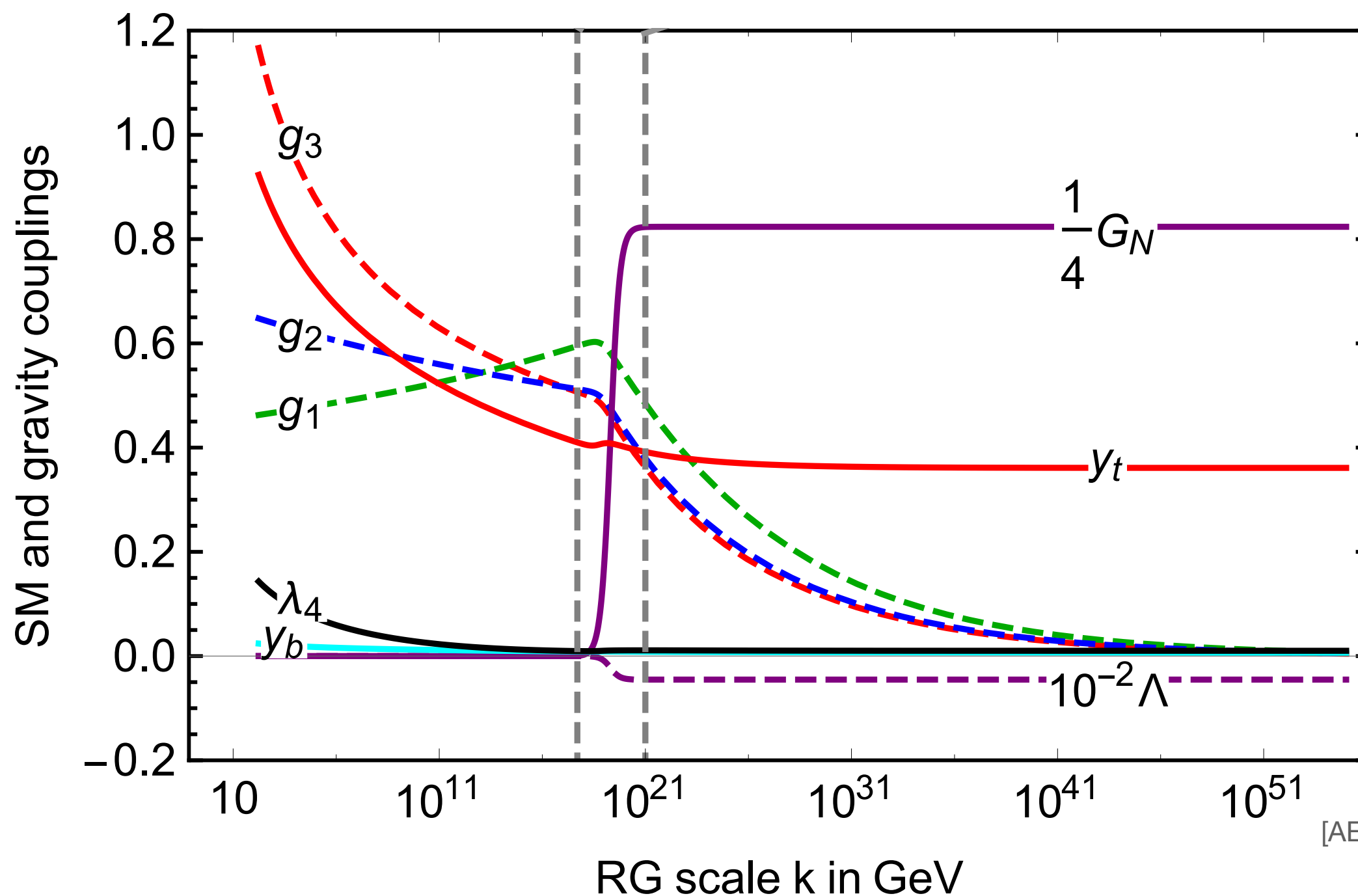
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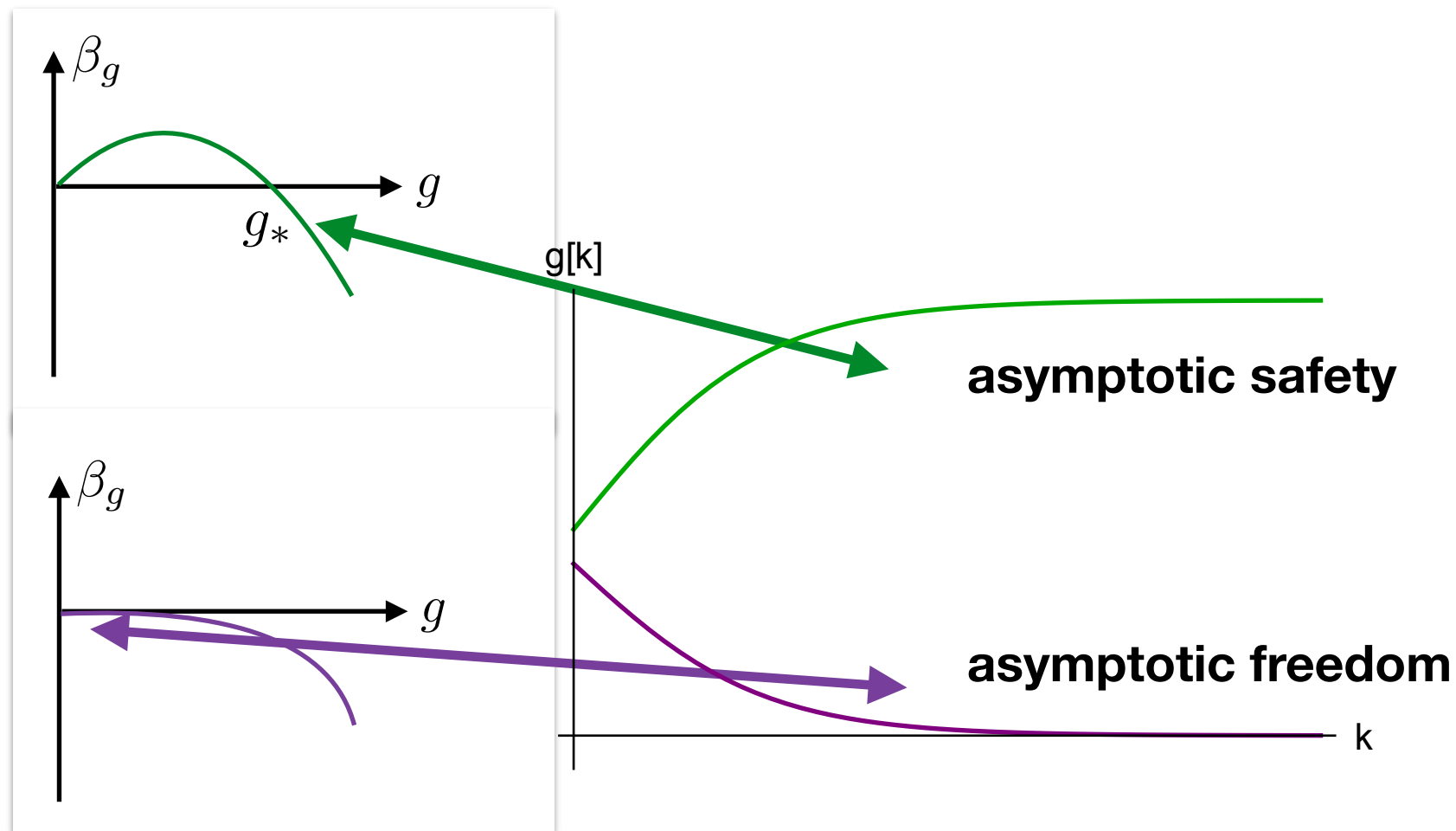


[AE, Held '17]

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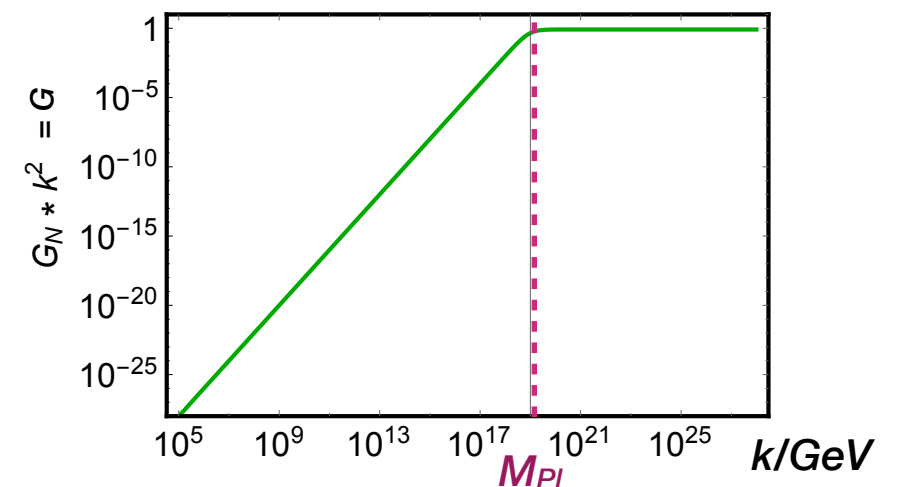
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for gravity:

functional RG techniques

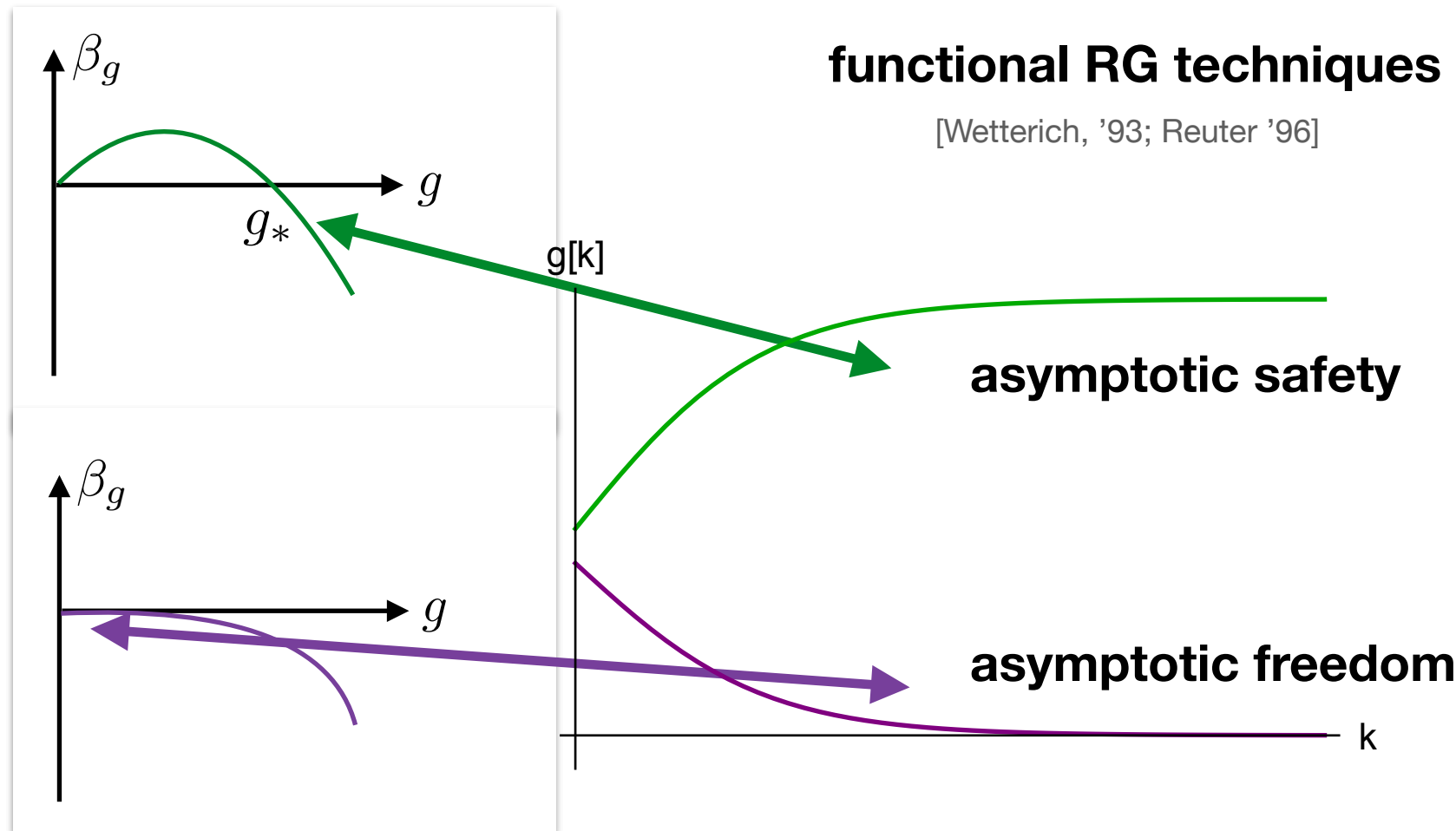
[Wetterich, '93; Reuter '96]



$$\beta_G = 2G - \frac{23 G^2}{3\pi} + \dots$$

metric fluctuations

[Codello, Percacci, Rahmede '08]



asymptotic safety

asymptotic freedom

indications for AS in QG in truncations of the space of couplings

[AE, Gies, Litim, Morris, Pawłowski, Reuter, Saueressig, Vacca, Wetterich...]

with matter [AE, Pawłowski, Percacci, Saueressig...]

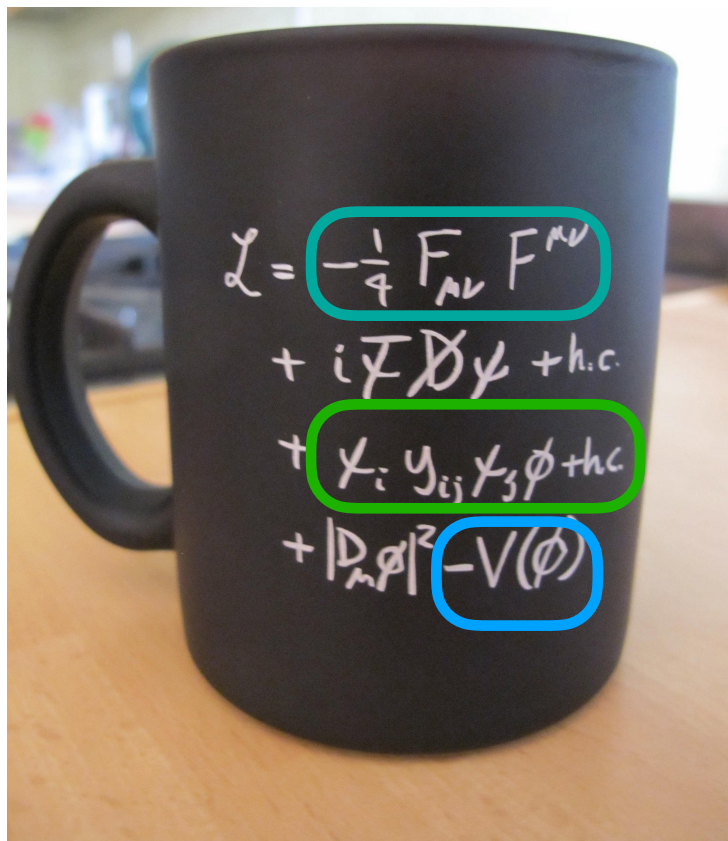
Asymptotically safe gravity - impact on matter

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QG contribution to Standard Model matter couplings (@ 1 loop)

truncations of gravity dynamics $f_i = f_i(G, \dots)$



gauge couplings $\beta_{g_i} = f_g g_i + \#_i g_i^3 \dots$

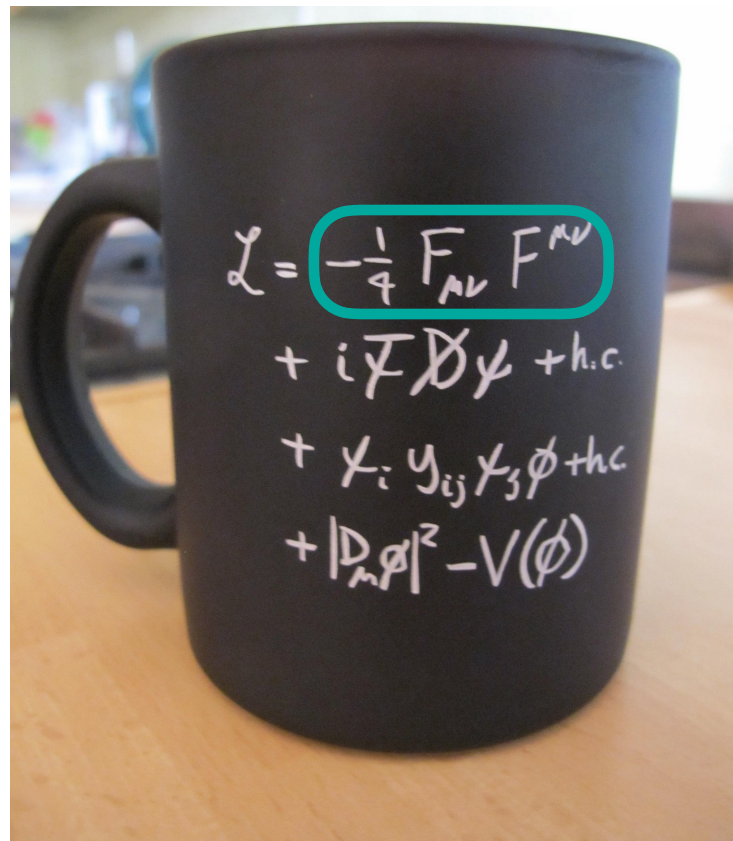
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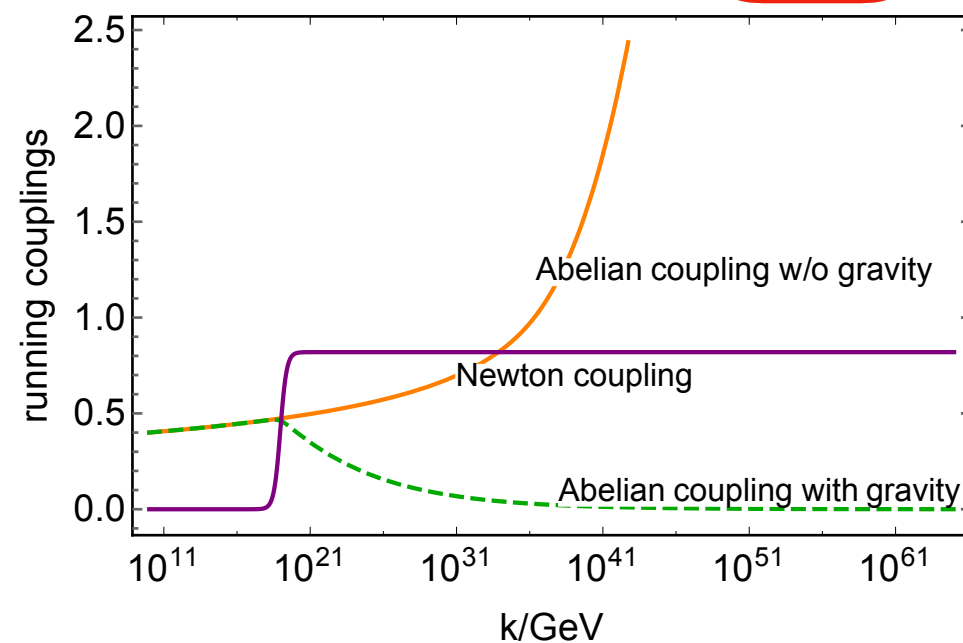
QG effect:

**like change in canonical dimension:
triggers asymptotic freedom for $f_i < 0$**

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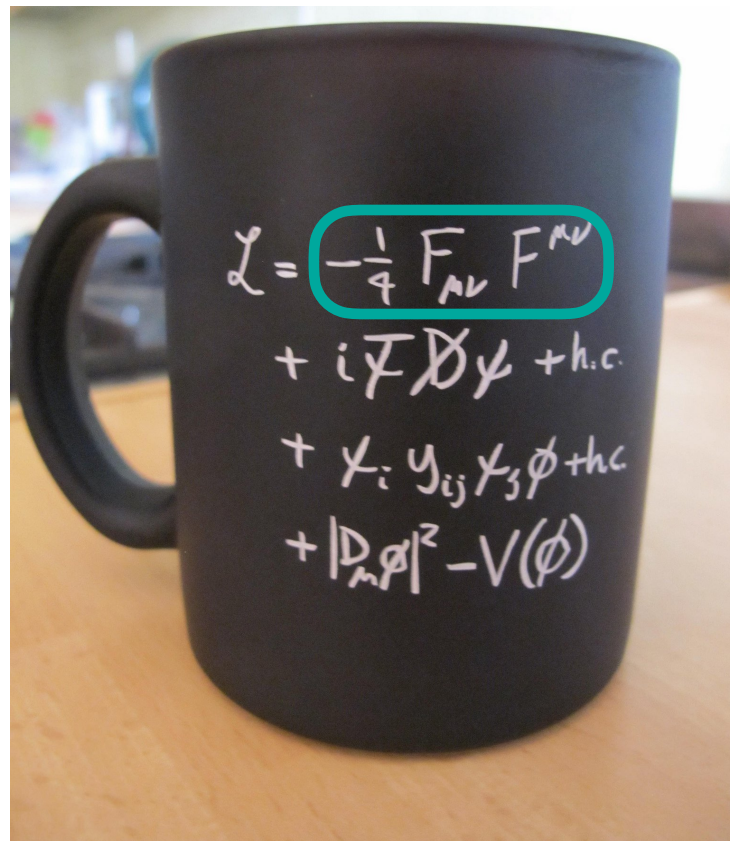
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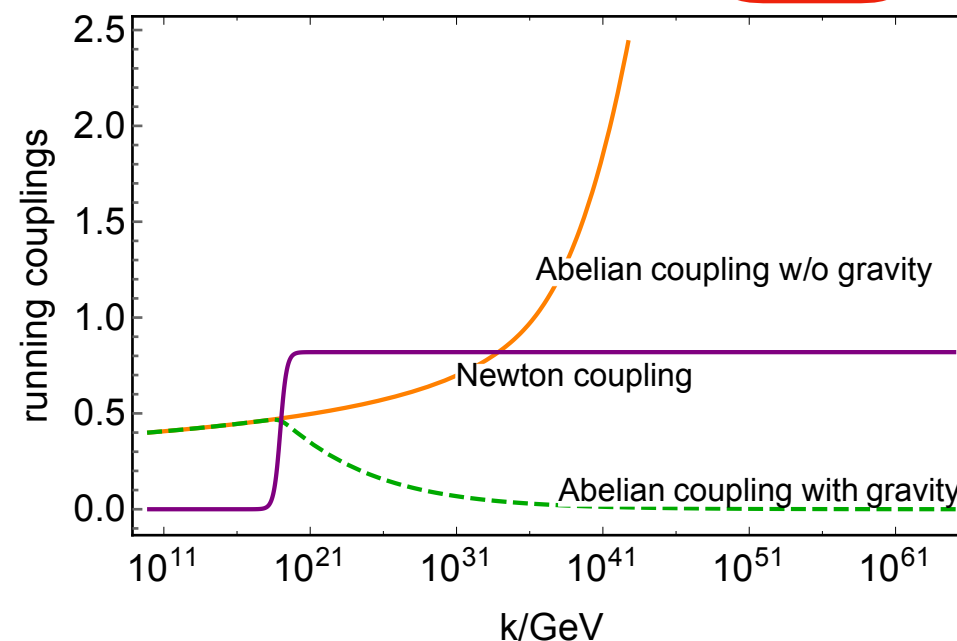
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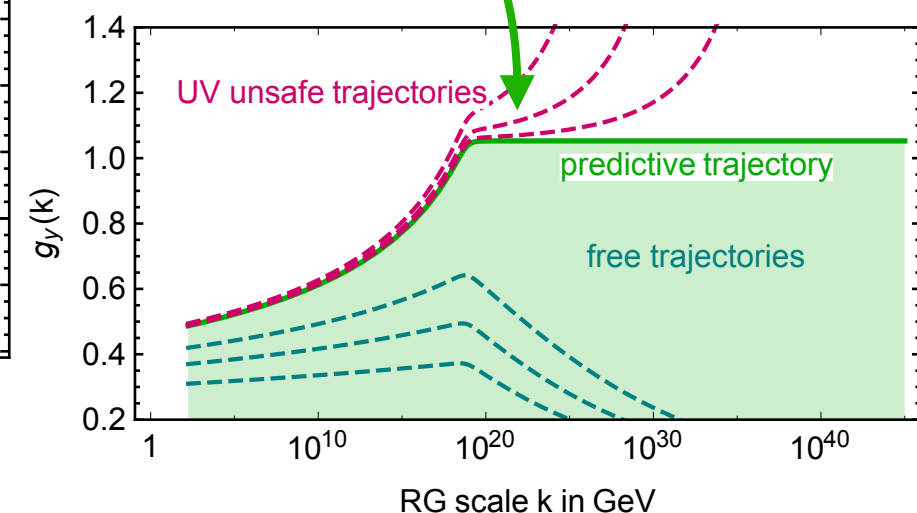
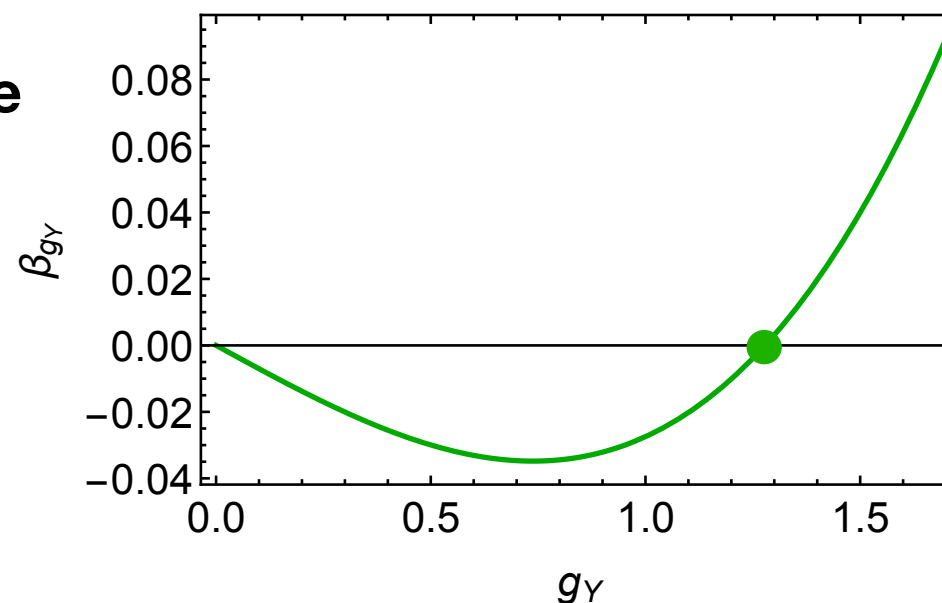
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**upper bound on Abelian
gauge coupling:
35 % above measured value**

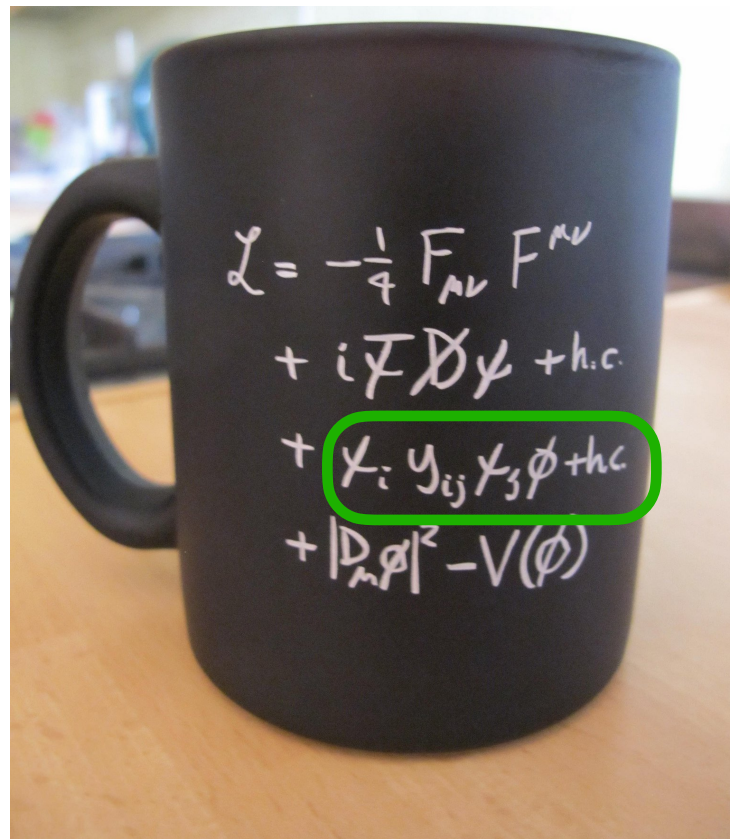
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IR attractive fixed point:

[Harst, Reuter '11,
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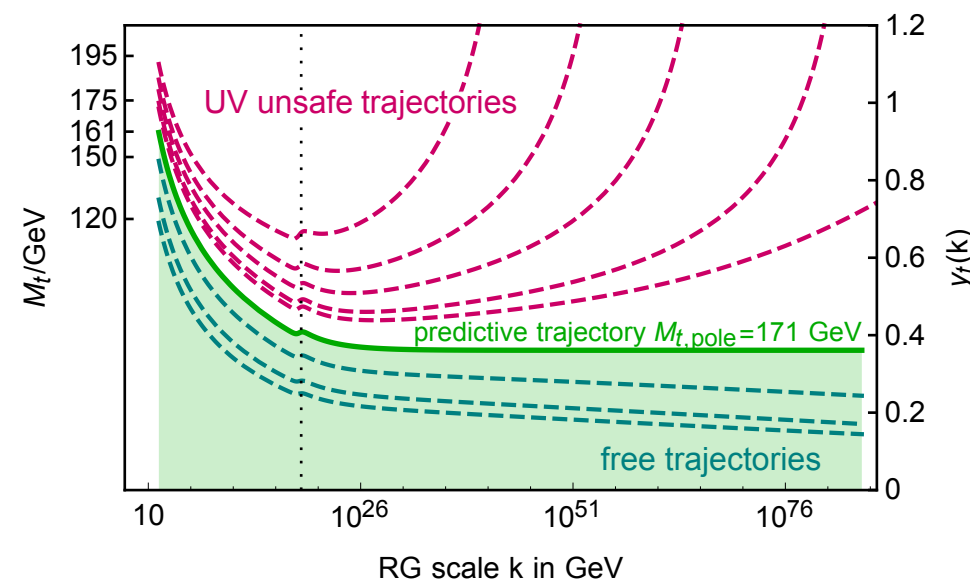
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$$f_y < 0$$

restricts micr. grav. parameter space

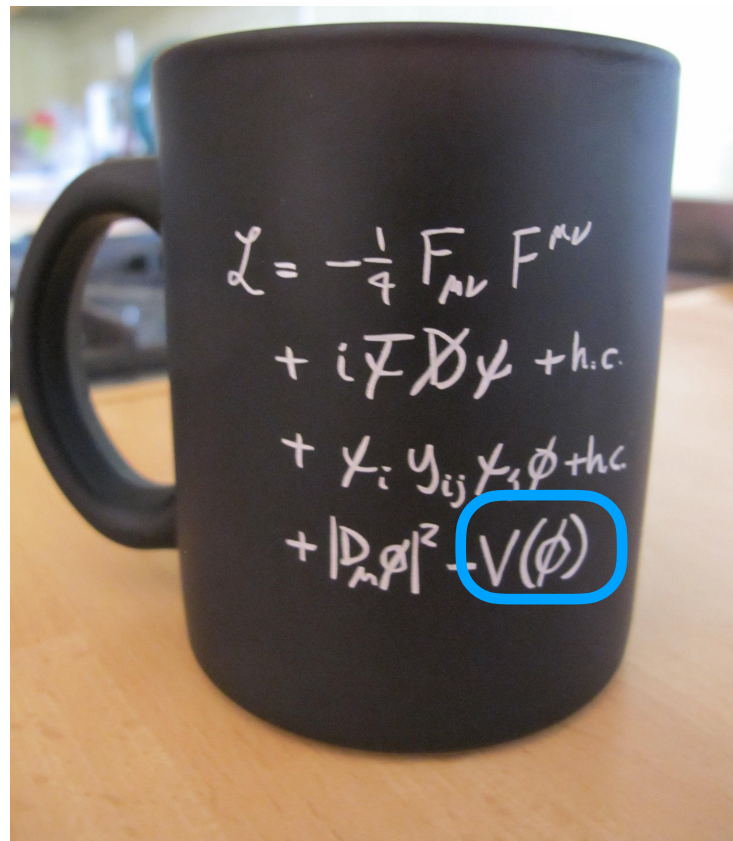
[AE, Held, Pawłowski '16;
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“retrodiction” of top and
bottom mass from
asymptotic safety

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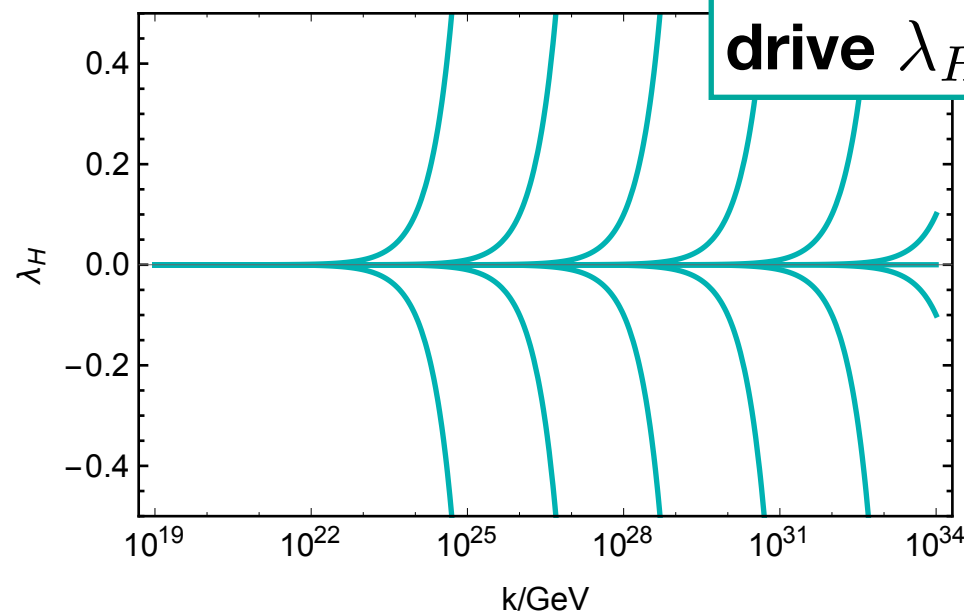


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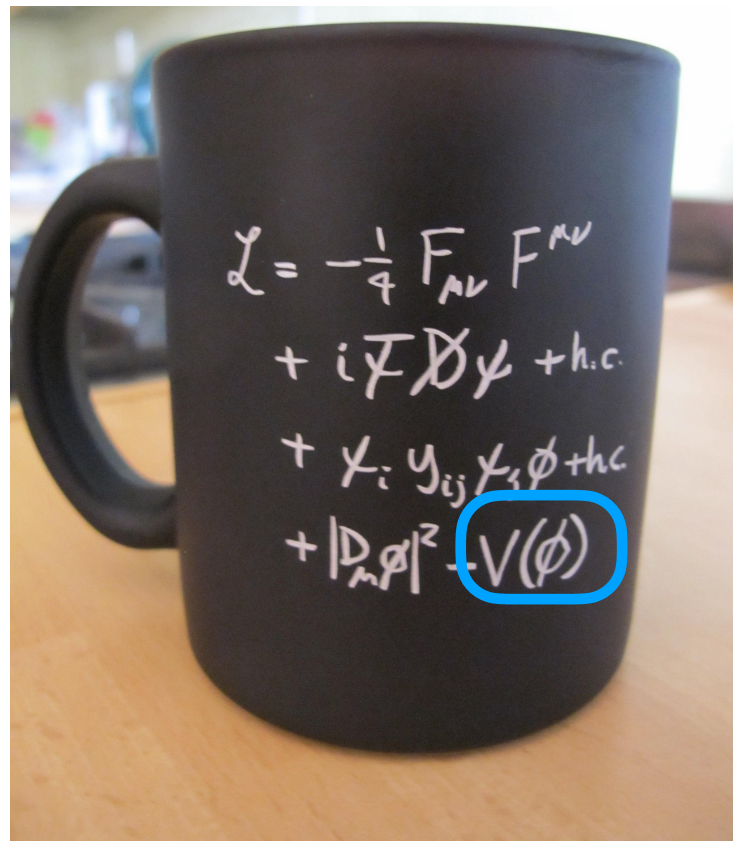
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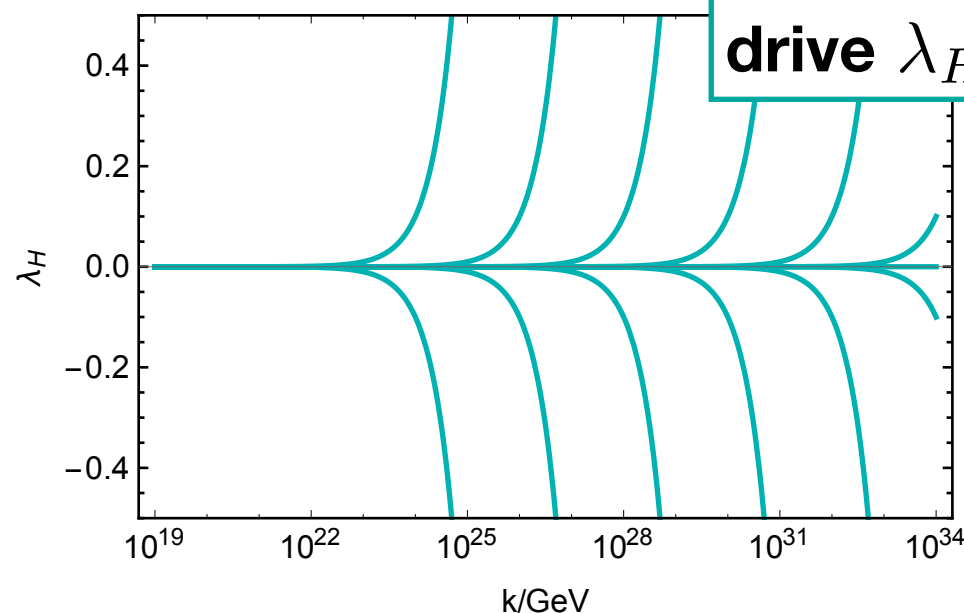
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extended Higgs sector:

near-flat potential at Planck scale

→ **vanishing Higgs portal coupling $\lambda_{\phi\chi} \phi^2 \chi^2$
to scalar dark matter**



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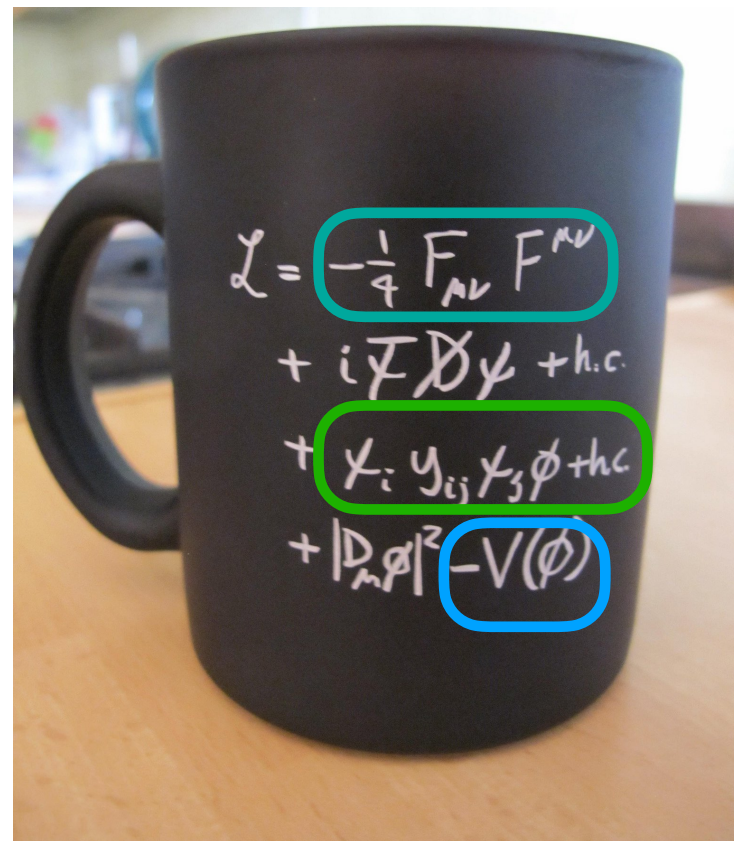
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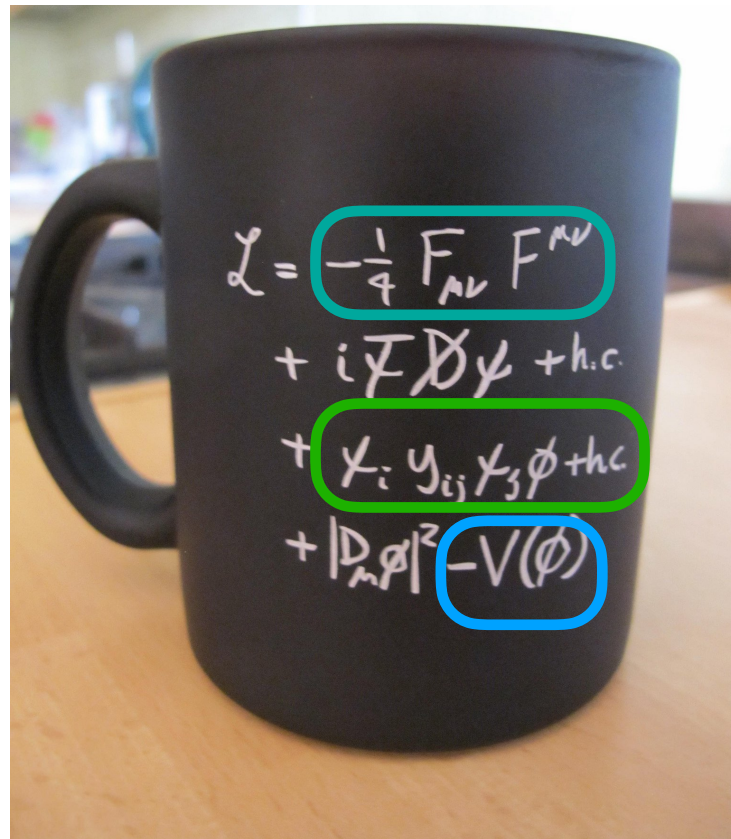
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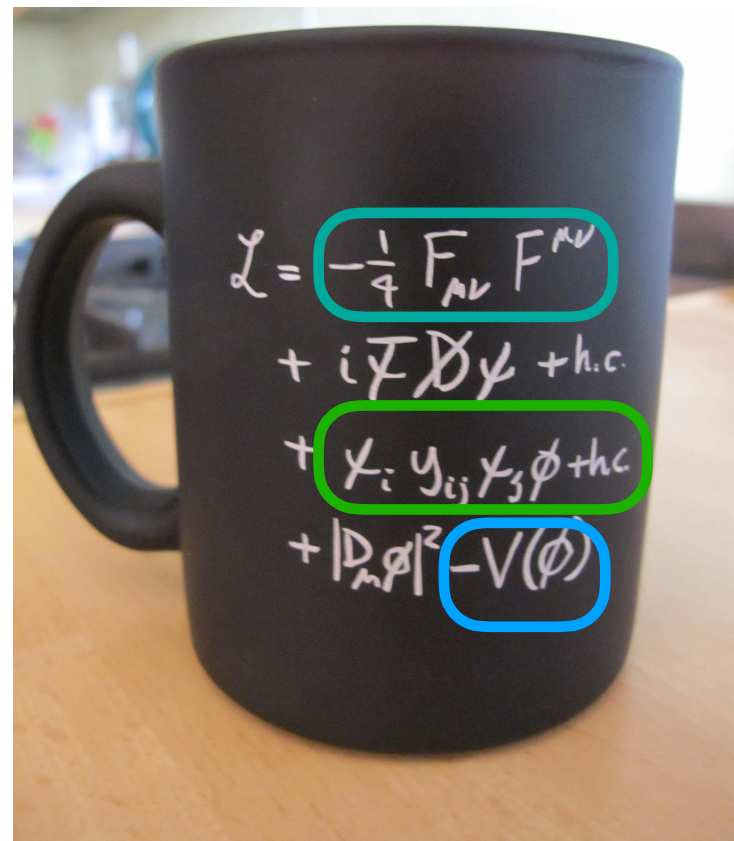
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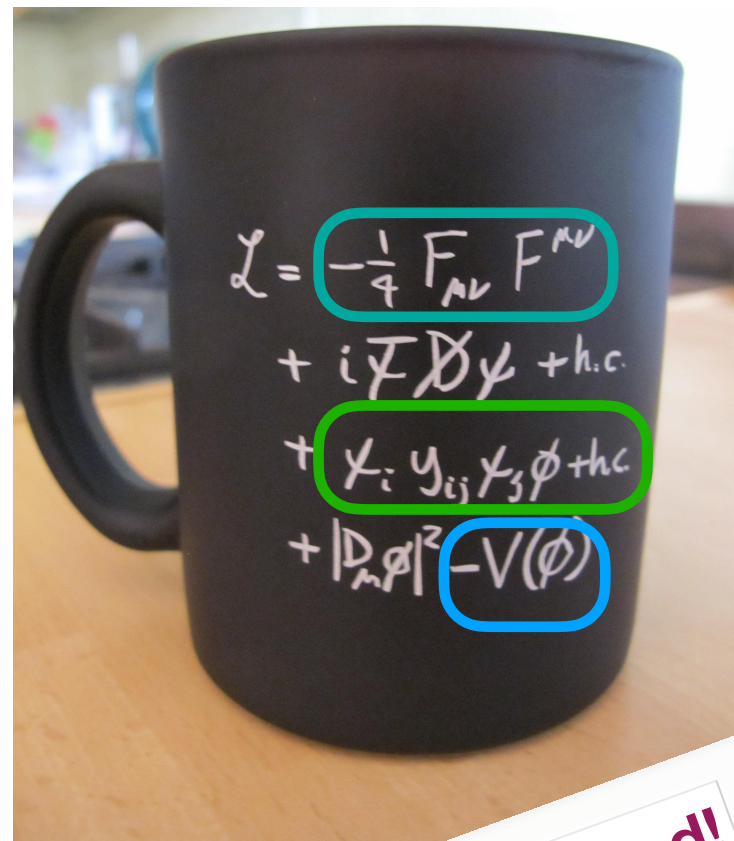
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