

# Homoclinic orbits in the Suspension bridge equation



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# Suspension bridge equation

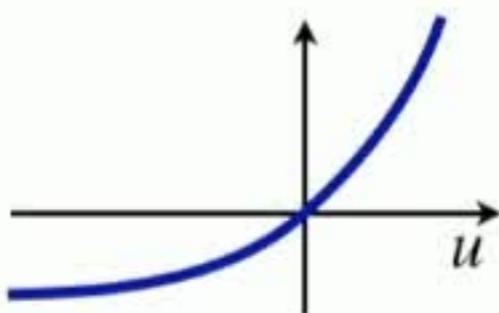
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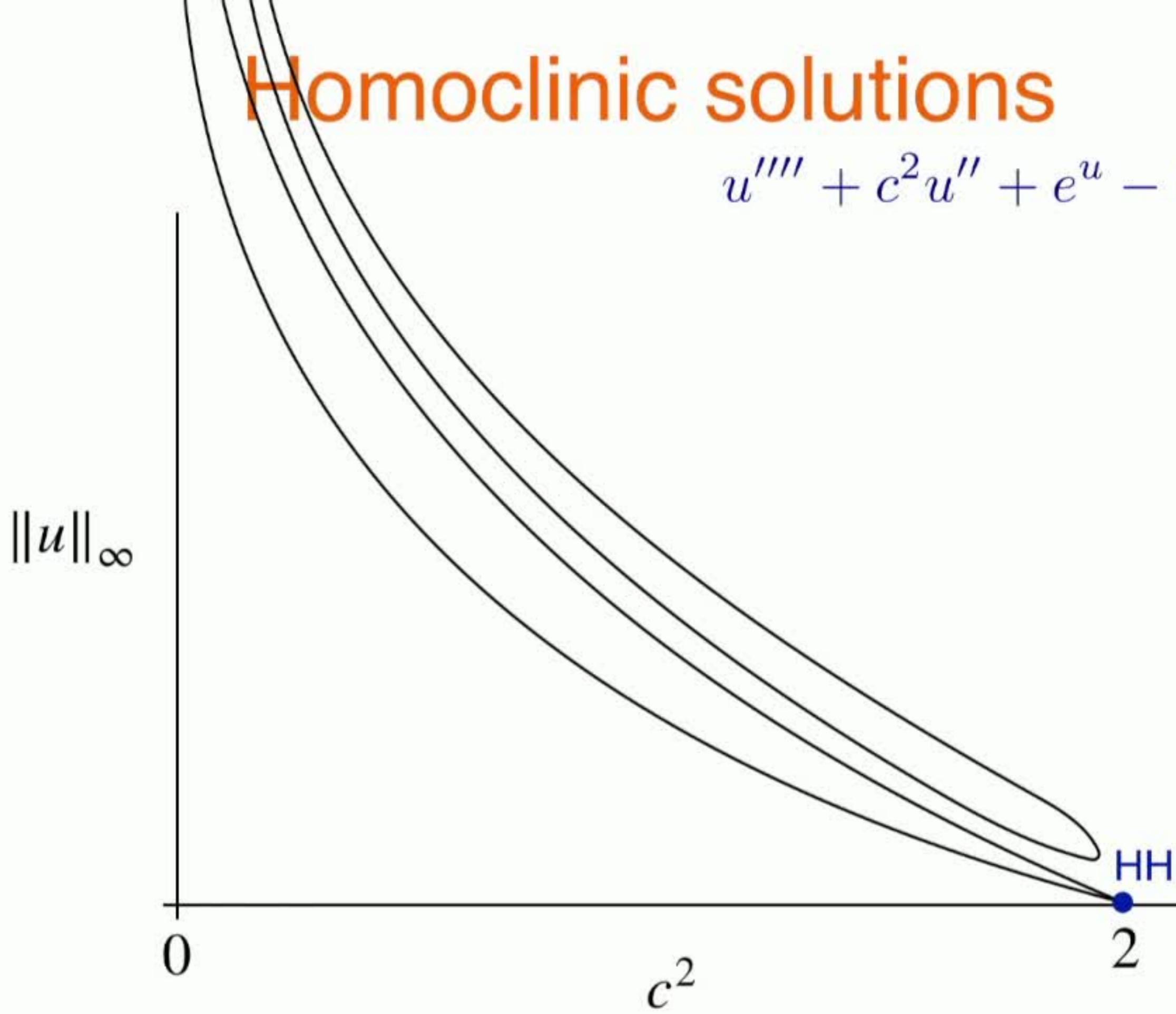
$$u'''' + c^2 u'' + \max\{u, -1\} = 0$$

- homoclinic solutions:  
Mc-Kenna, Chen, Champneys  
theorems, numerics, conjectures



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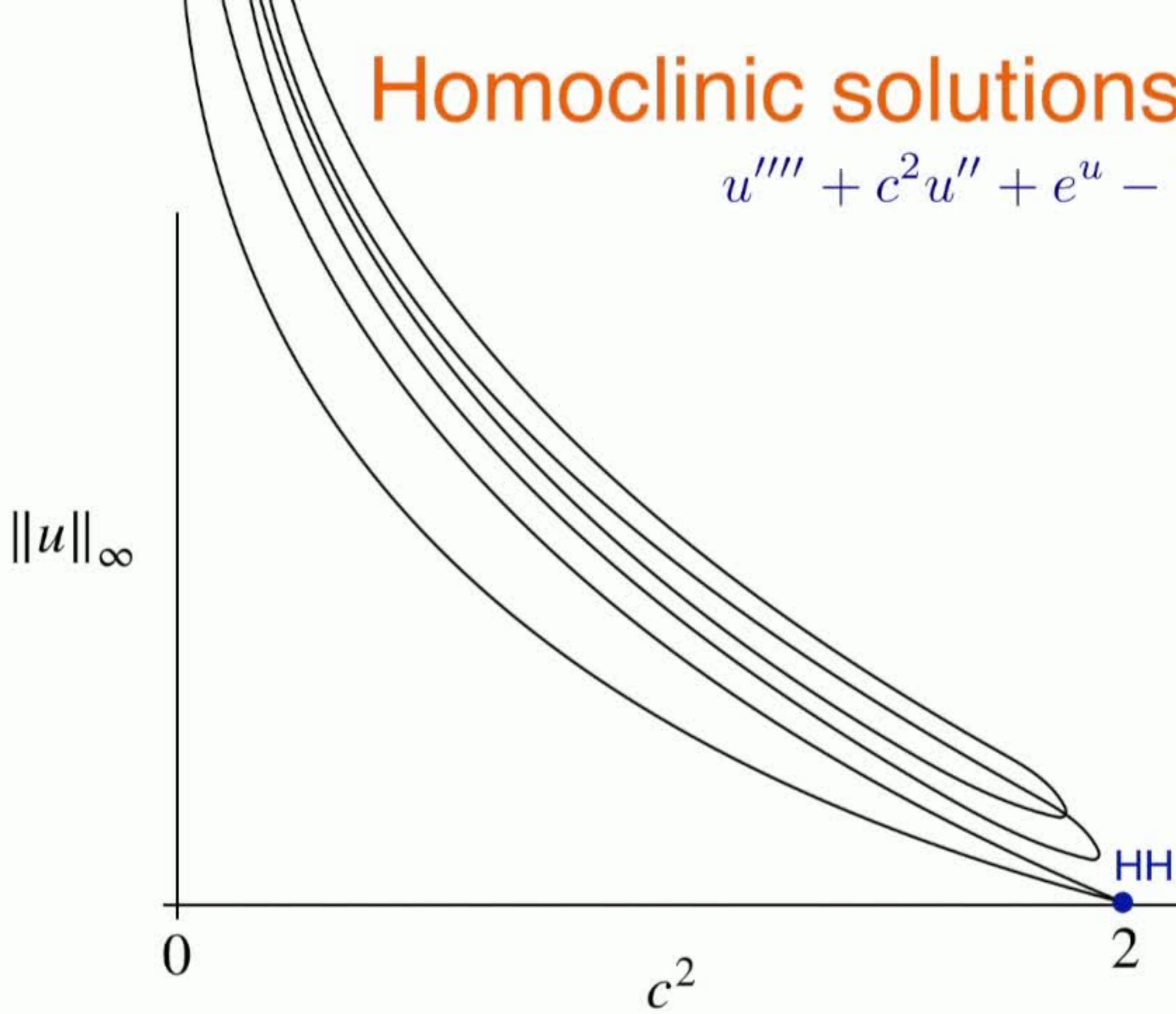
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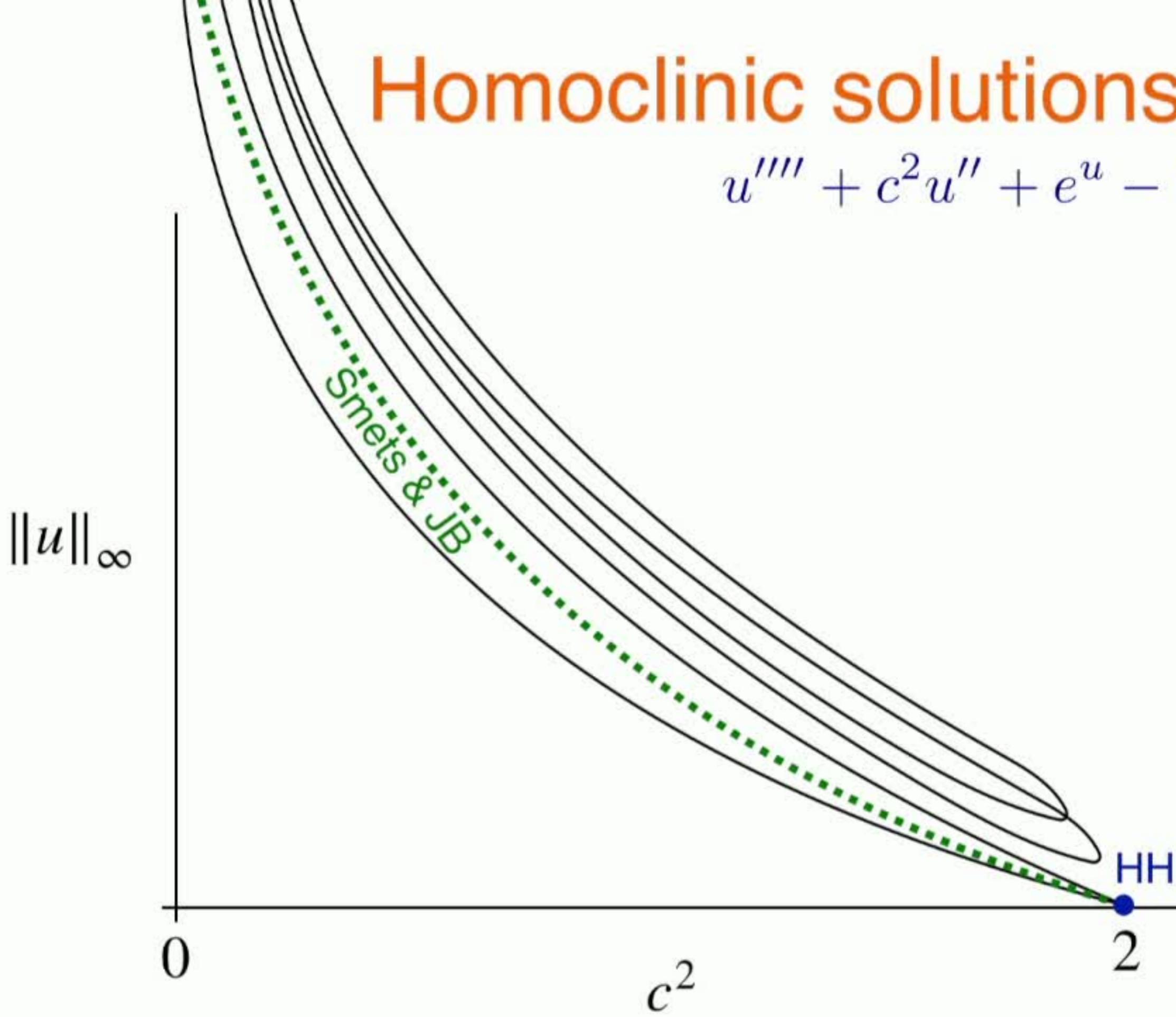
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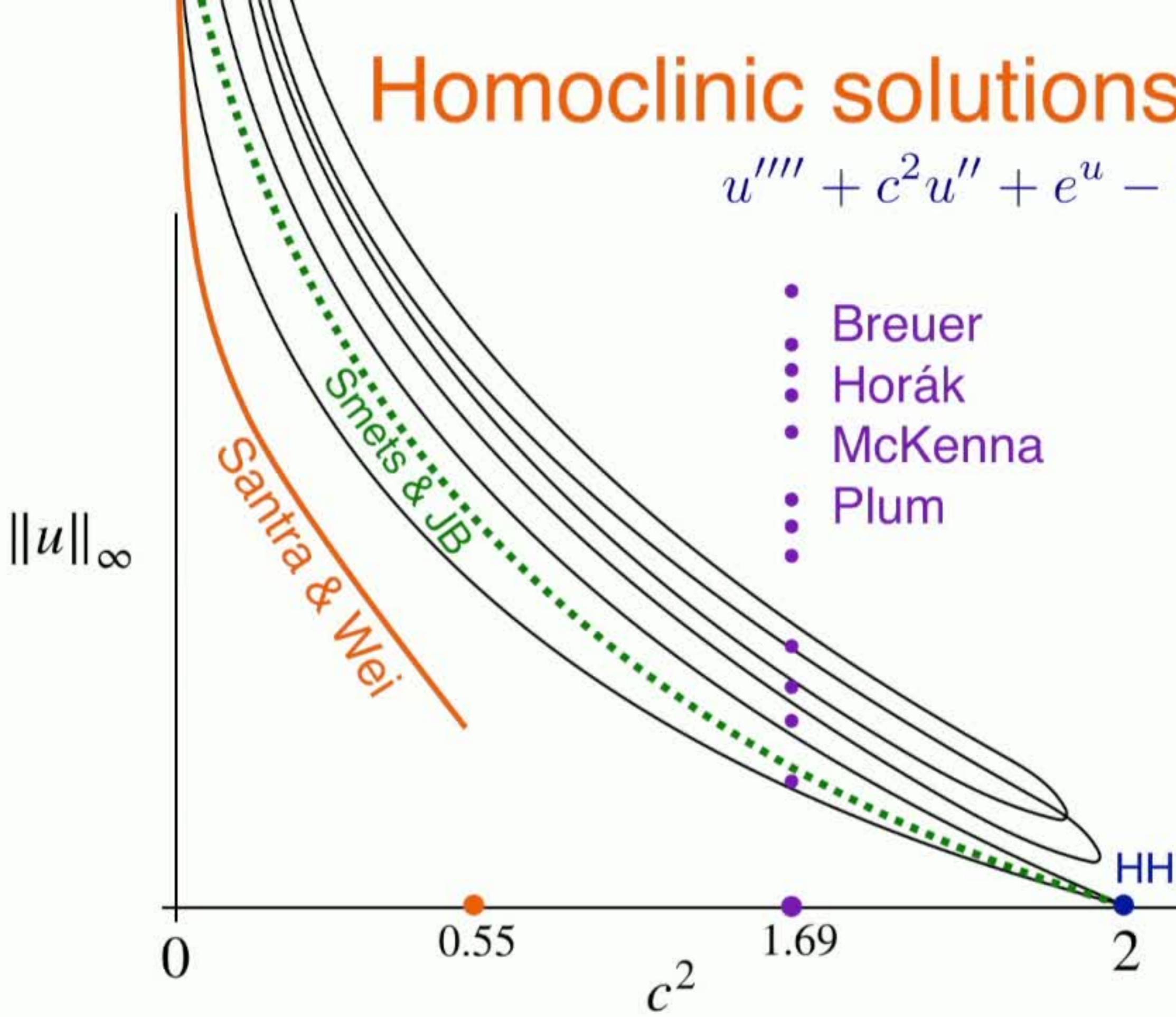




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- Breuer
- Horák
- McKenna
- Plum



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$$\frac{du}{dt} = f(u)$$

**Equilibria**  $u_-$ ,  $u_+$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} u(t) = u_-$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} u(t) = u_+$$

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# Local (un)stable manifold

$$P: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$$

- parametrizes local unstable manifold
- analytic (non-resonance condition)
- conjugates linear flow
- similar to normal form
- compute  $P_N$  iteratively
- error estimate (work)
- control of derivatives (analyticity)

Mireles-James



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Unknowns:  $\begin{cases} \theta \in \mathbb{R}^2 \\ \phi \in \mathbb{R}^2 \\ a_k \in \mathbb{R}^4 & k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \end{cases}$

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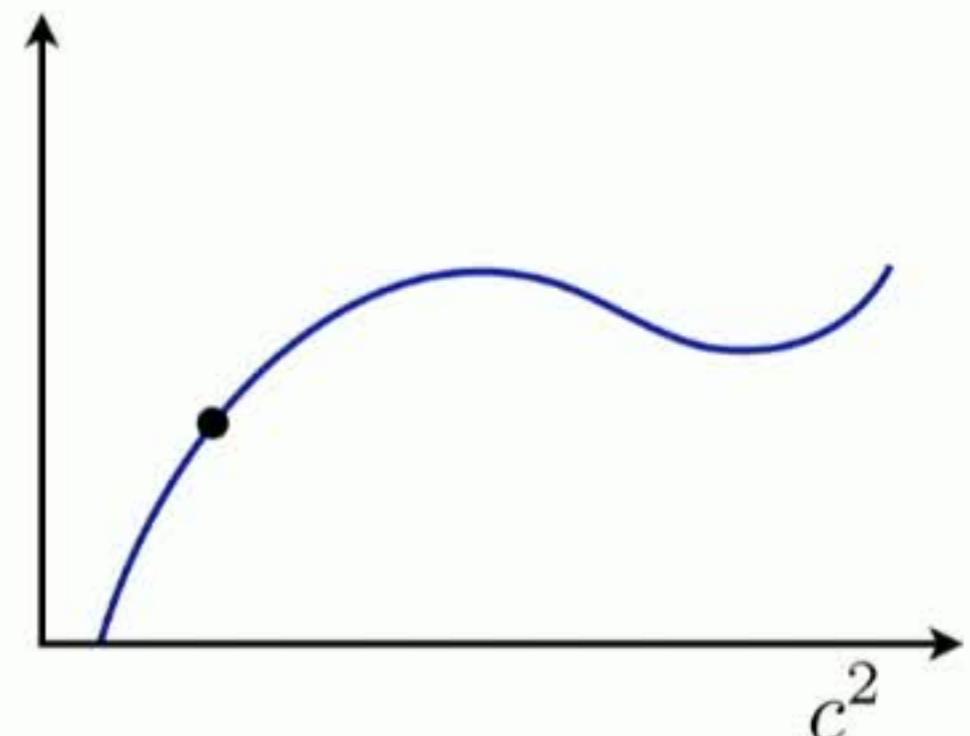
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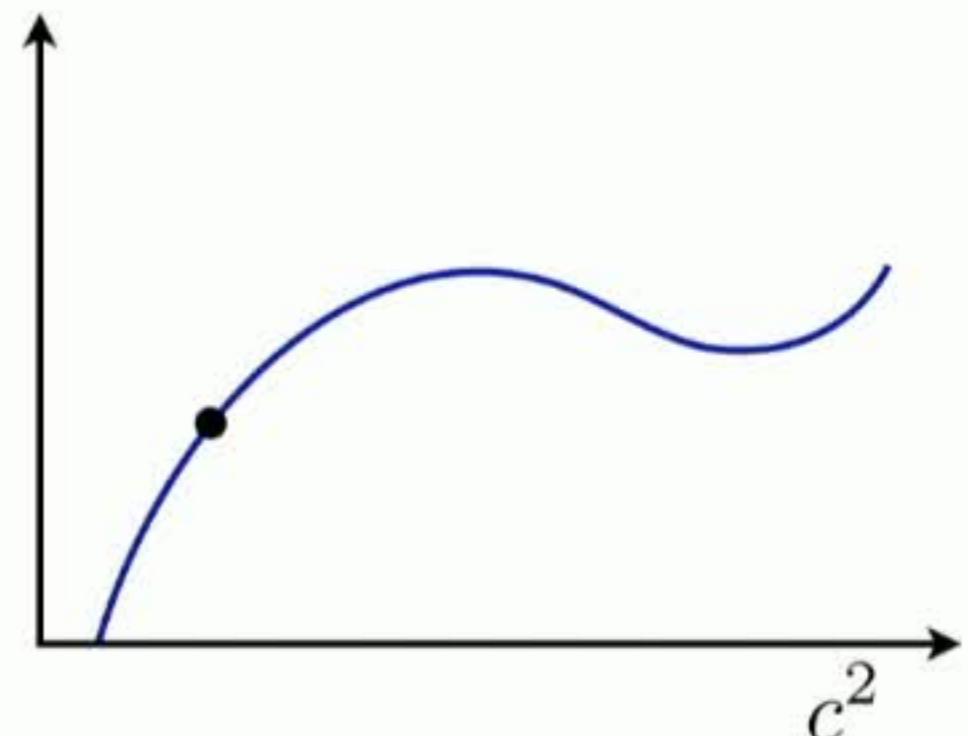
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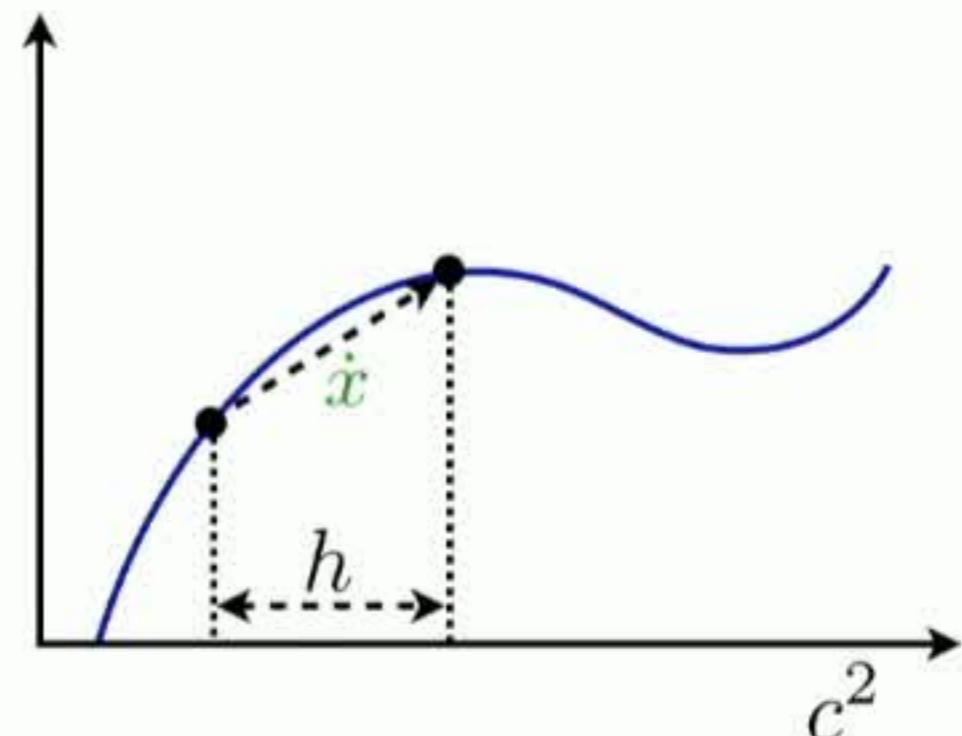
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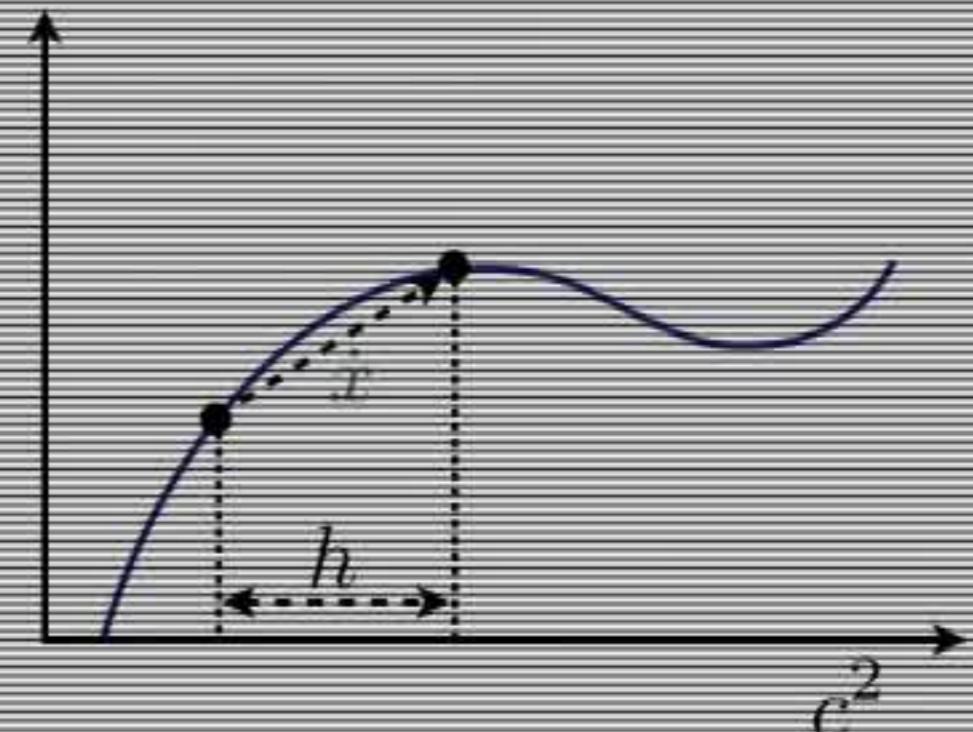
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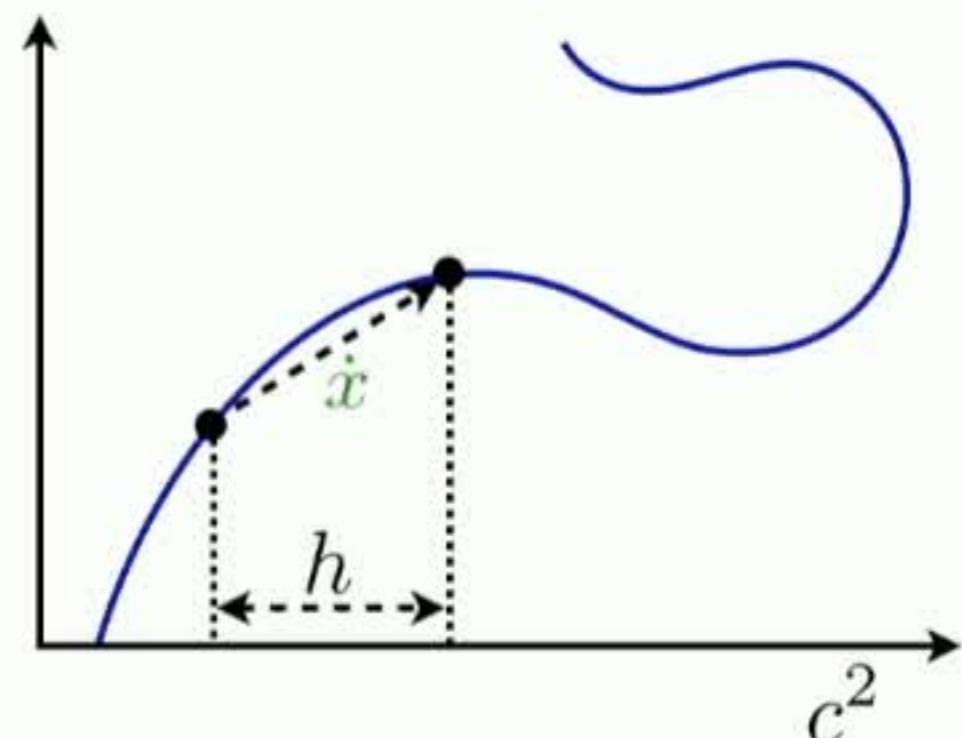
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