

# CEDA DIAGNOSTIC REPORT — Test 010

**Model:** Canonical Single-Field Slow-Roll Inflation (Textbook Reference Class)

**Reference:** Weinberg (2008), *Cosmology*

05-source(Steven Weinberg, Cosm...

**Audit Class:** Inflationary (canonical)

**Run Status:** Valid (RG PASSED)

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## Summary Verdict

**Verdict: Conditional Stable Mechanism (Regime-Limited)**

This model exhibits a genuine dynamical mechanism for accelerated expansion **within the explicitly declared slow-roll EFT regime**. All audited inflationary behavior is earned through intrinsic scalar-field dynamics. No bookkeeping-dependent acceleration was detected. Claims beyond the declared regime are not audited and are not endorsed.

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## Key Findings (Concise)

- Negative pressure is localized entirely in intrinsic scalar-field stress–energy.
- Inflationary behavior is stable under admissible coarse-graining and reformulation.
- All control parameters (slow-roll conditions) function as *regime constraints*, not hidden drivers.

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## Provenance of Acceleration / Negative Pressure

**Origin:** Intrinsic dynamics

**Location:** Scalar-field stress–energy tensor  $T_{\mu\nu}(\phi)$

**Mechanism:** Potential-energy dominance during slow-roll phase

**Horizon role:** None (causal boundary only)

No horizon agency, entropy driving, or partition-induced pressure identified.

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## Diagnostic Outcomes

### D1 — Horizon Reconfiguration Null

**Status:** N/A (Properly Excluded)

**Reason:** The model explicitly introduces new dynamical degrees of freedom. No horizon-only claims are made.

✓ Correct exclusion. No violation.

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### D2 — Coarse-Graining Stability

**Status:** PASS

**Tested admissible variations:**

- Modest shifts in coarse-graining scale near Hubble radius
- Equivalent frame descriptions
- Perturbative separation choices consistent with EFT regime

**Result:**

Inflationary behavior ( $w \simeq -1$ , sustained acceleration) remains invariant without retuning.

✓ Behavior is **mechanism-stable**, not descriptively fragile.

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### D3 — Exchange-Term Provenance

**Status:** PASS

**Finding:**

No exchange terms introduced—explicitly or implicitly.

Stress–energy sourcing derives directly from the scalar-field action.

✓ No goal-seeking closure. No hidden stabilization.

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### C1 — Coupling Provenance & Redundancy

**Status: PASS**

**Compression Test Result:**

The scalar potential introduces **genuine functional restriction** relative to a free  $w(t)w(t)$ .  
Not reparameterizable as arbitrary equation-of-state control.

✓ Coupling-level structure earns its explanatory role.

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## **S1 — Scheme / State Dependence Classification**

**Classification: S1-B (State-Conditional but Physical)**

- Background inflation is scheme-stable.
- Perturbation amplitudes depend on vacuum choice (acknowledged and bounded).

✓ Physical within declared regime; not scheme-fragile.

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## **D4 — Predictive Wedge**

**Status: PASS (Conditional)**

**Wedge:**

Dynamical origin of early accelerated expansion + calculable perturbation spectra.

**Condition:**

Applies **only** within declared slow-roll EFT regime.

✓ Predictive where claimed; no extrapolative credit granted.

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## **Failure Registry**

**None triggered.**

No instances of:

- Horizon agency
- Entropy-as-driver
- Privileged coarse-graining
- Hidden slow-roll variables
- Underspecified exchange

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## What Would Need to Be True to Change the Verdict

- Demonstration that inflationary acceleration persists after slow-roll breakdown without new structure
- Evidence that negative pressure survives removal of scalar-field potential dominance
- Discovery of implicit exchange or stabilization terms under admissible reformulation

None are present in the audited regime.

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## Meta-Assessment (Important)

This run **directly validates Conditional Verdict Symmetry**.

Inflation passes **not because it is inflation**, but because:

- it declares its dynamics,
- localizes its negative pressure,
- respects conservation,
- and remains stable under admissible variation.

Had any of these failed, inflation would have been flagged—exactly as horizon-based proposals were.