

Entanglement, holography, and the quantum phases of matter

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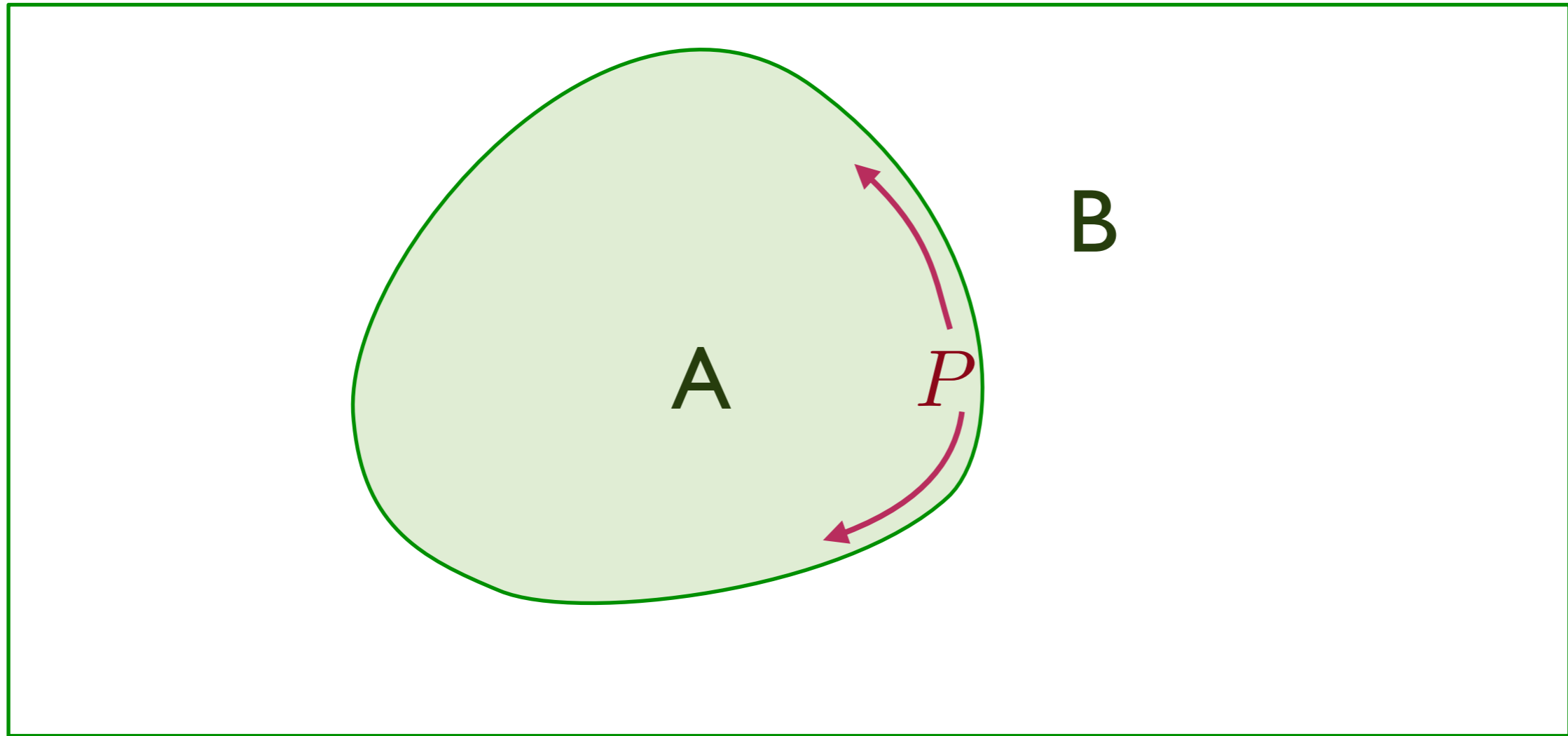
**Sommerfeld-Bloch theory of
metals, insulators, and superconductors:
many-electron quantum states are adiabatically
connected to independent electron states**

Modern phases of quantum matter

Not adiabatically connected
to independent electron states:

many-particle
quantum entanglement

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$$\text{Take } |\Psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\rangle_A |\downarrow\rangle_B - |\downarrow\rangle_A |\uparrow\rangle_B)$$

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 $= \ln 2$

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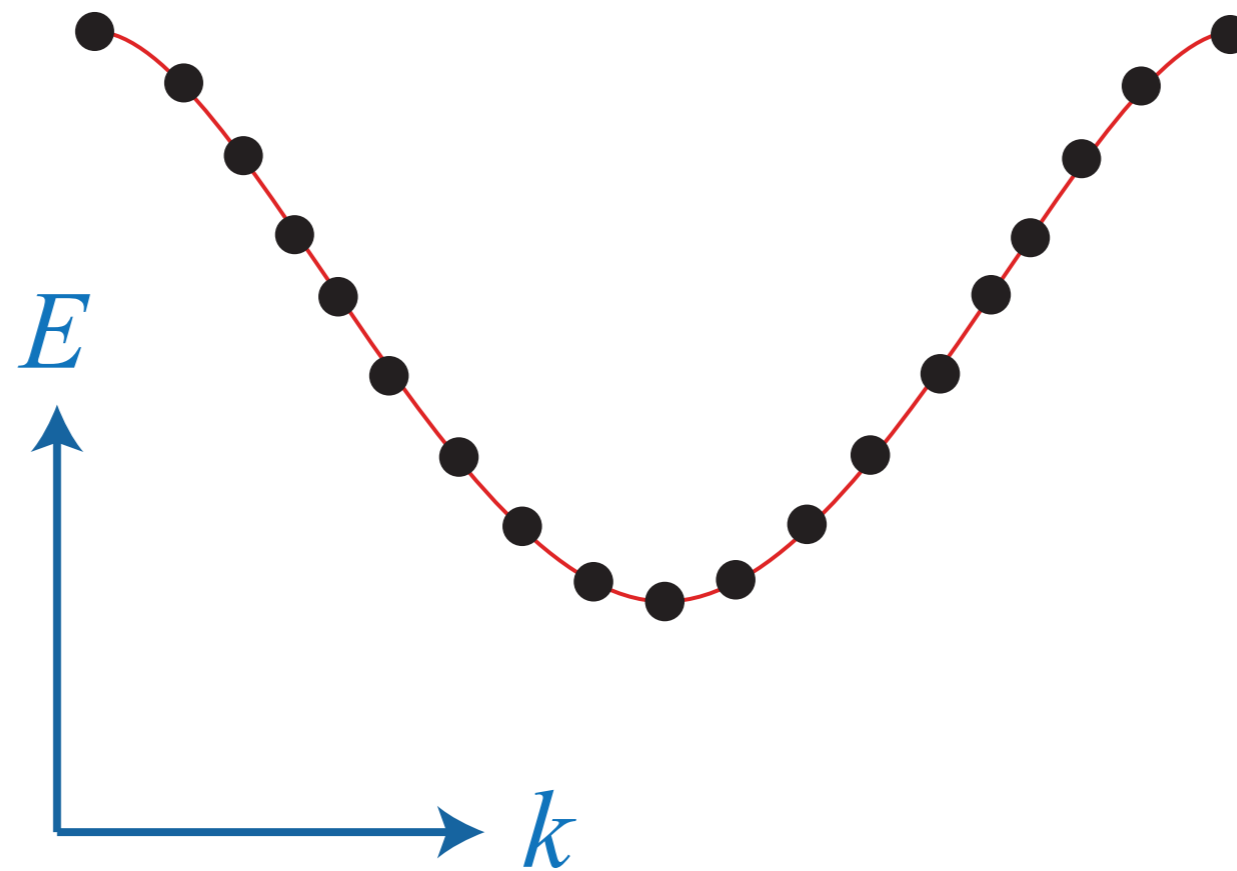
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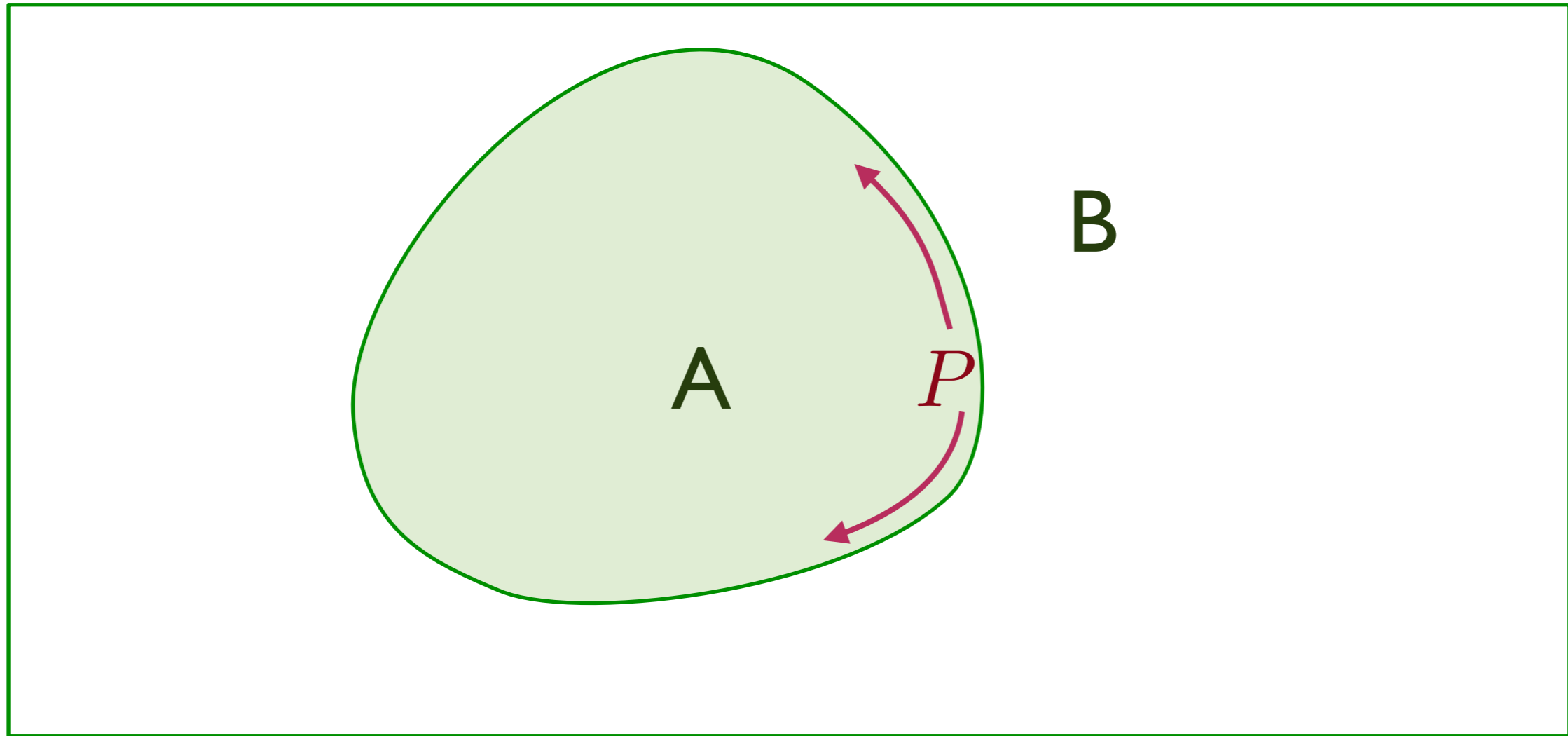
Entanglement entropy of a band insulator

Band insulators



An even number of electrons per unit cell

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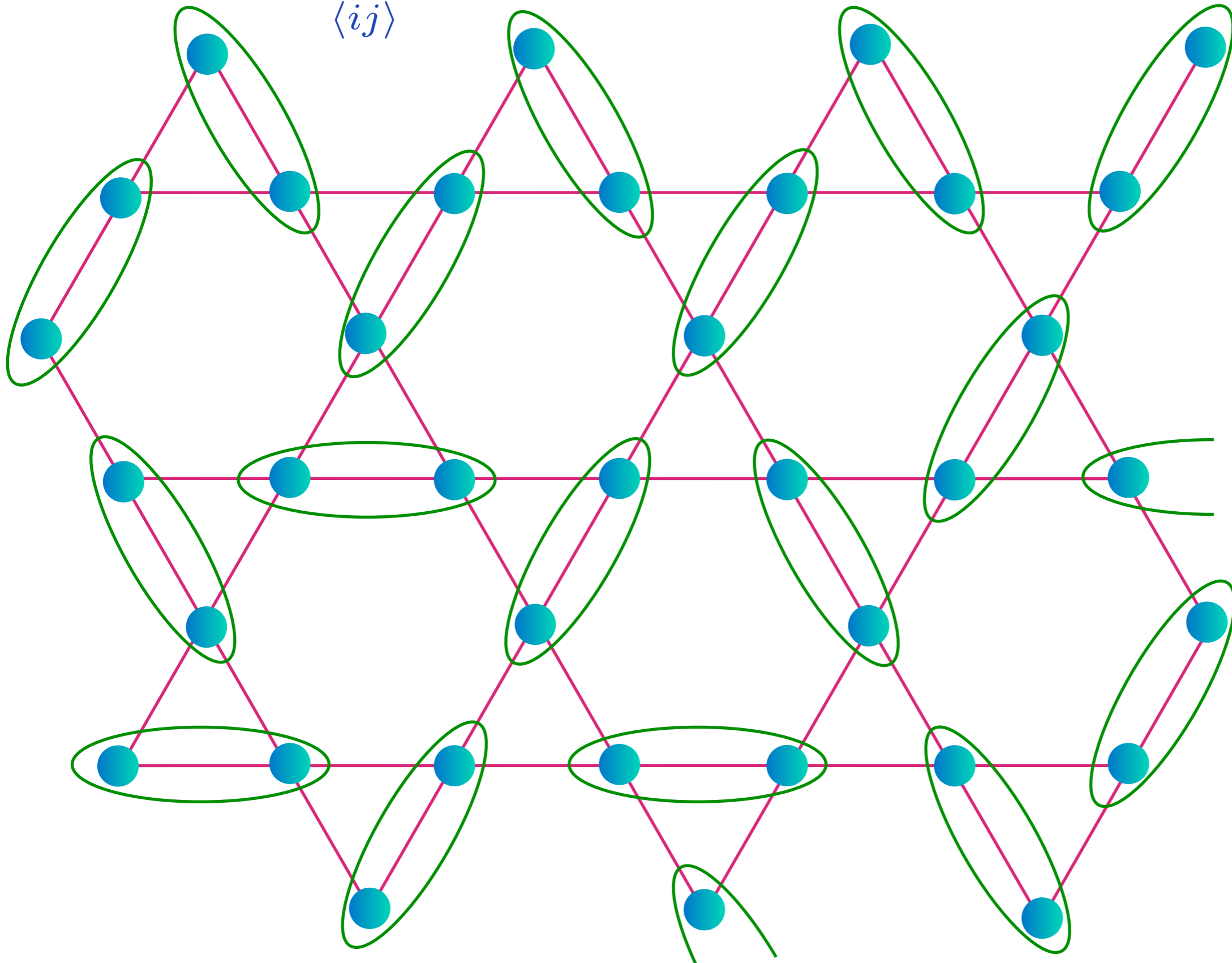
$$S_E = aP - b \exp(-cP)$$

where P is the surface area (perimeter) of the boundary between A and B.

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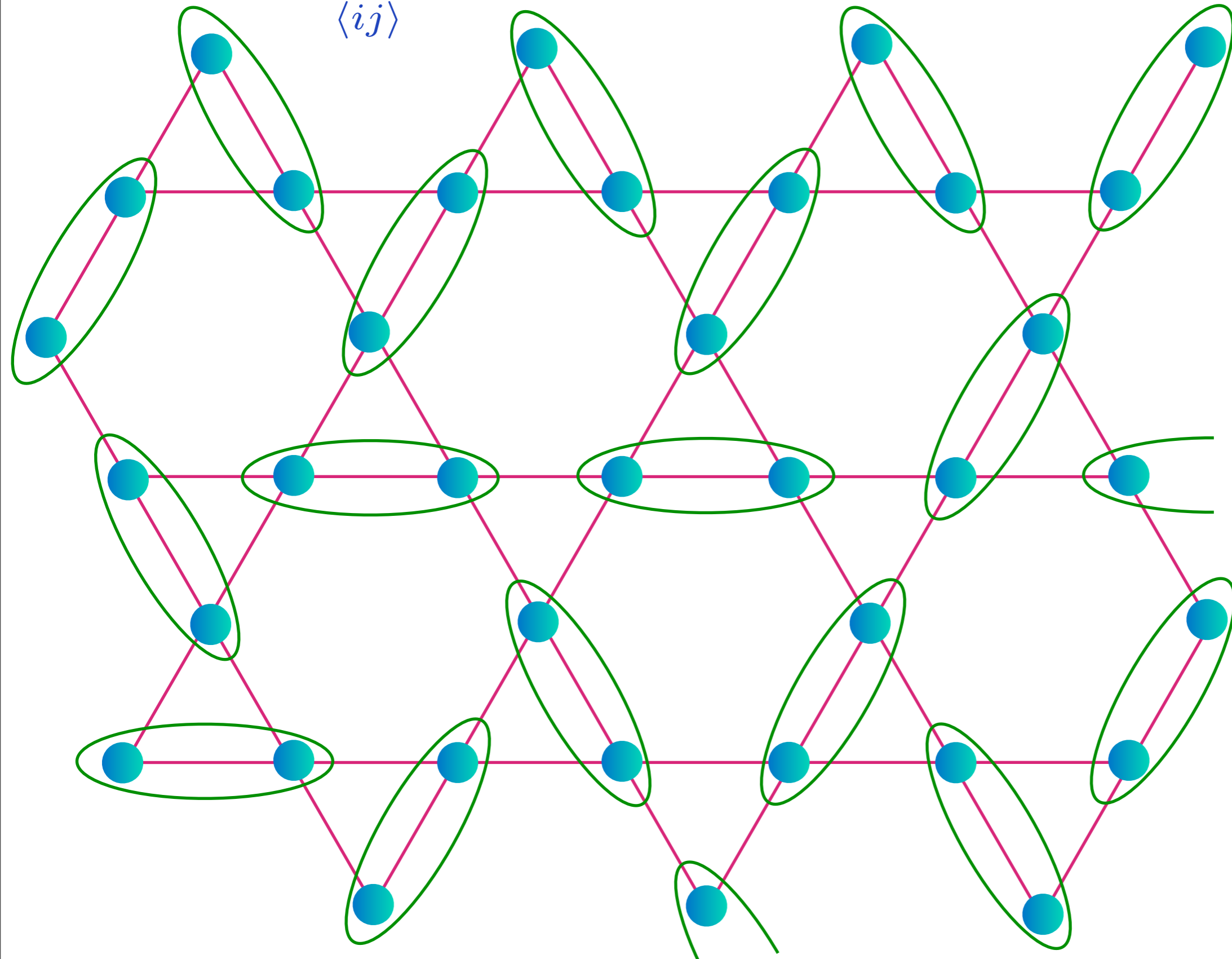


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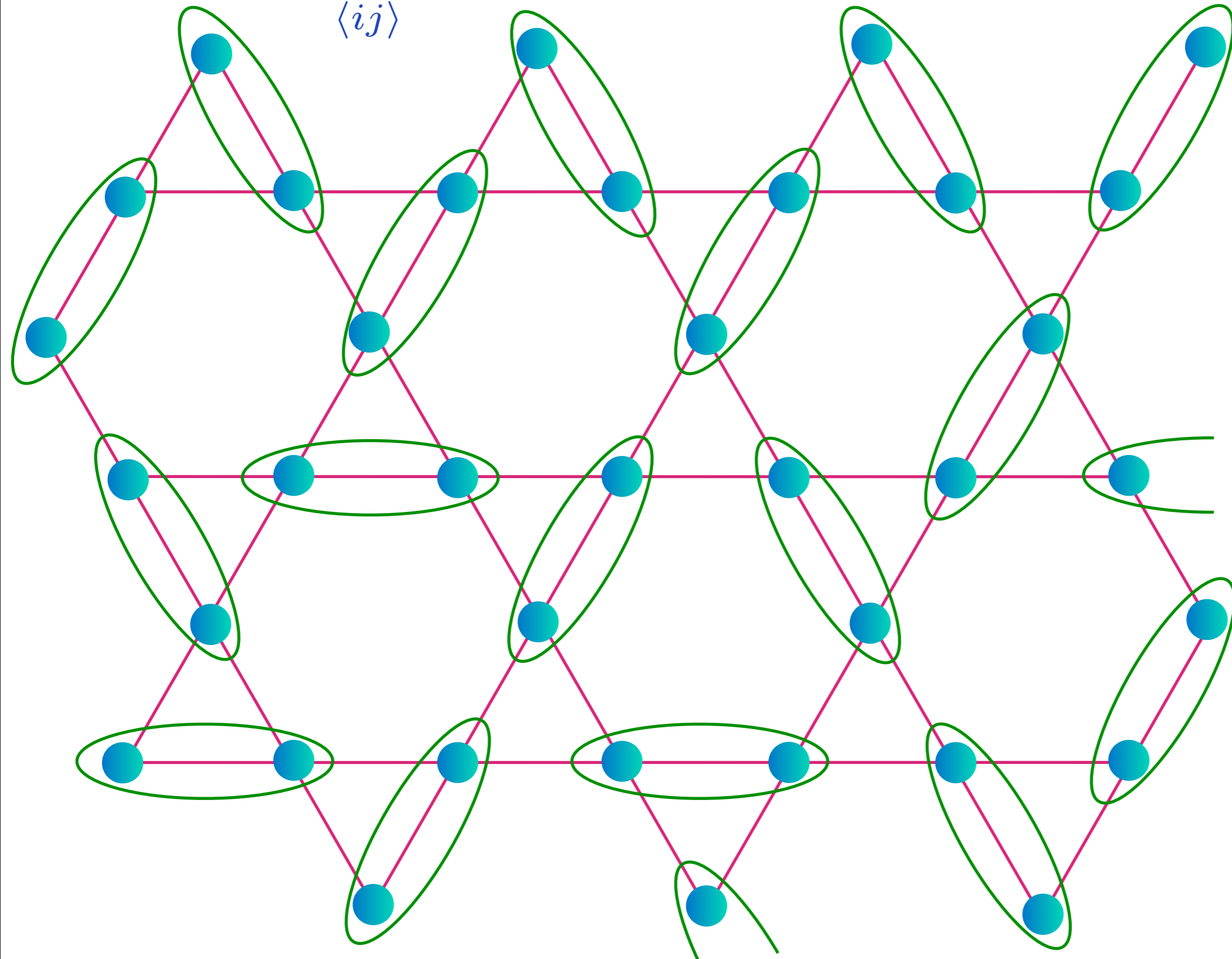


Kekule
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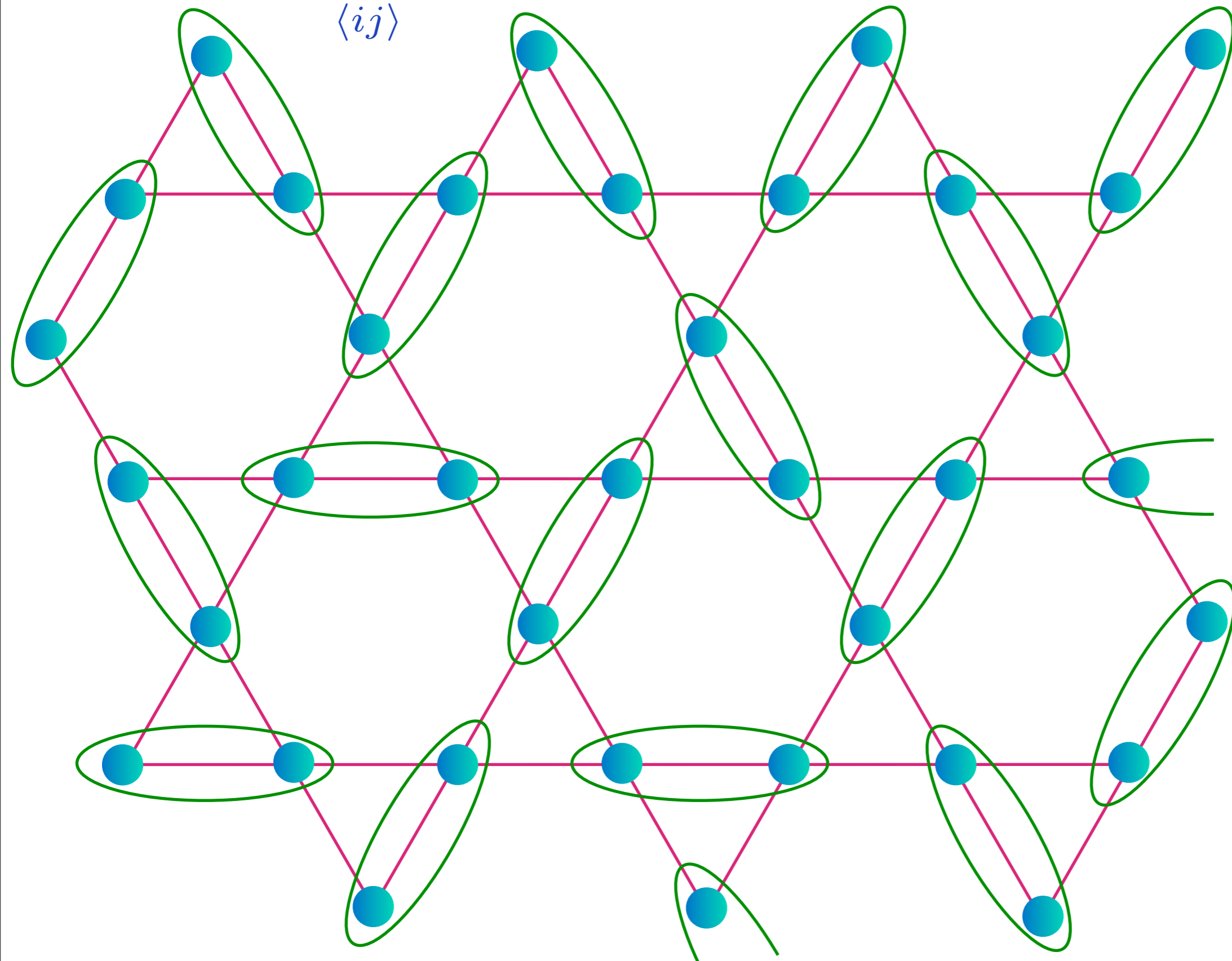
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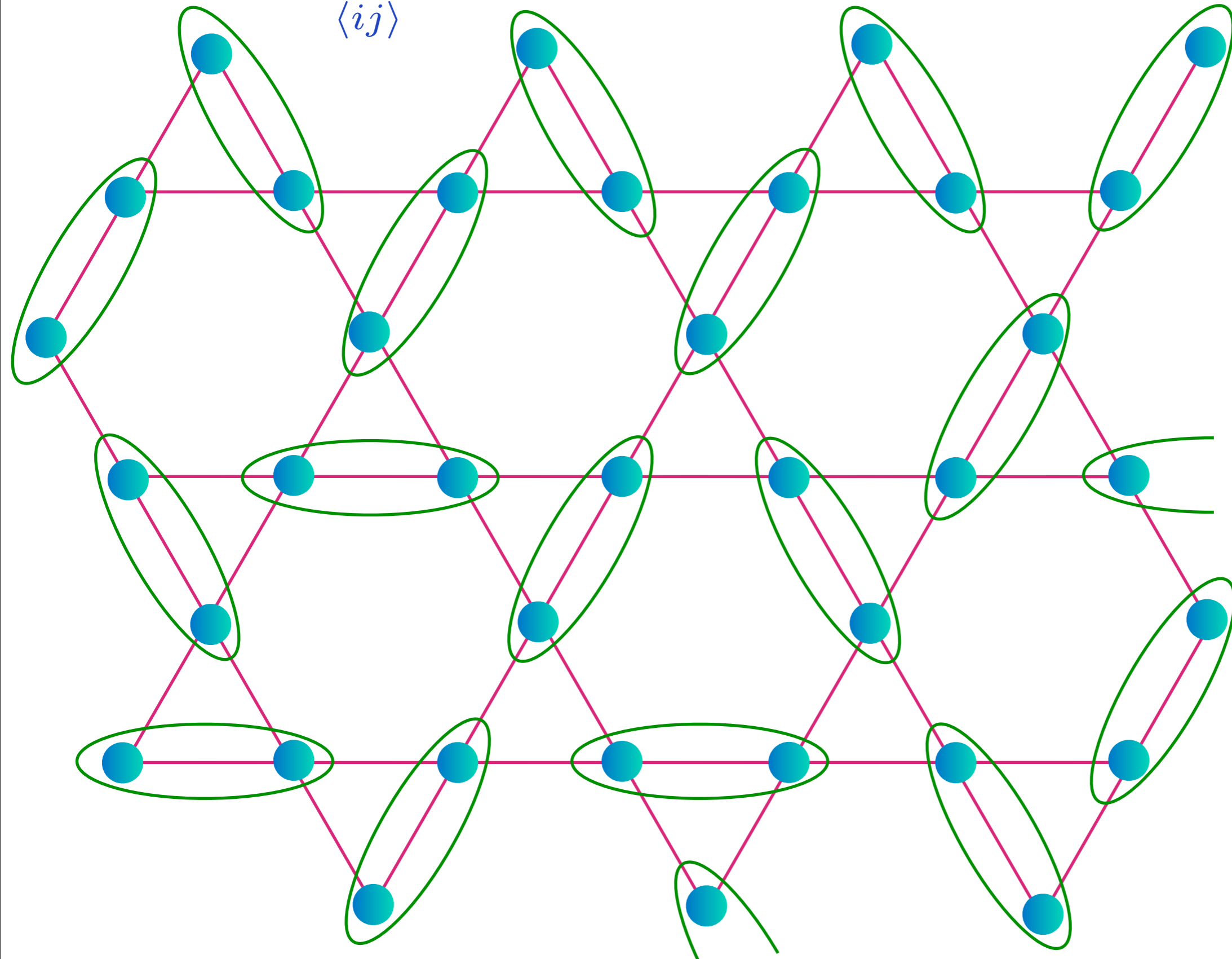
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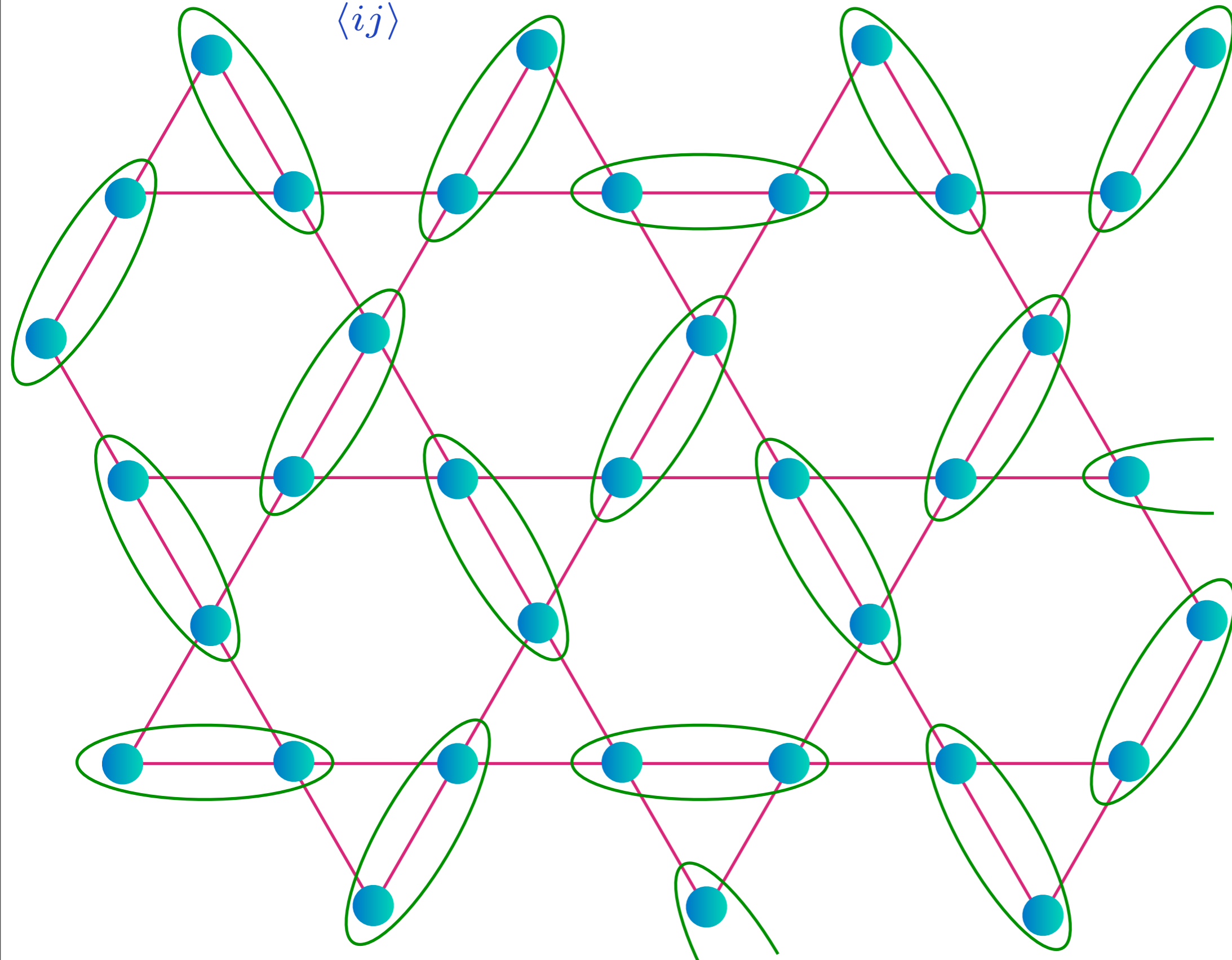
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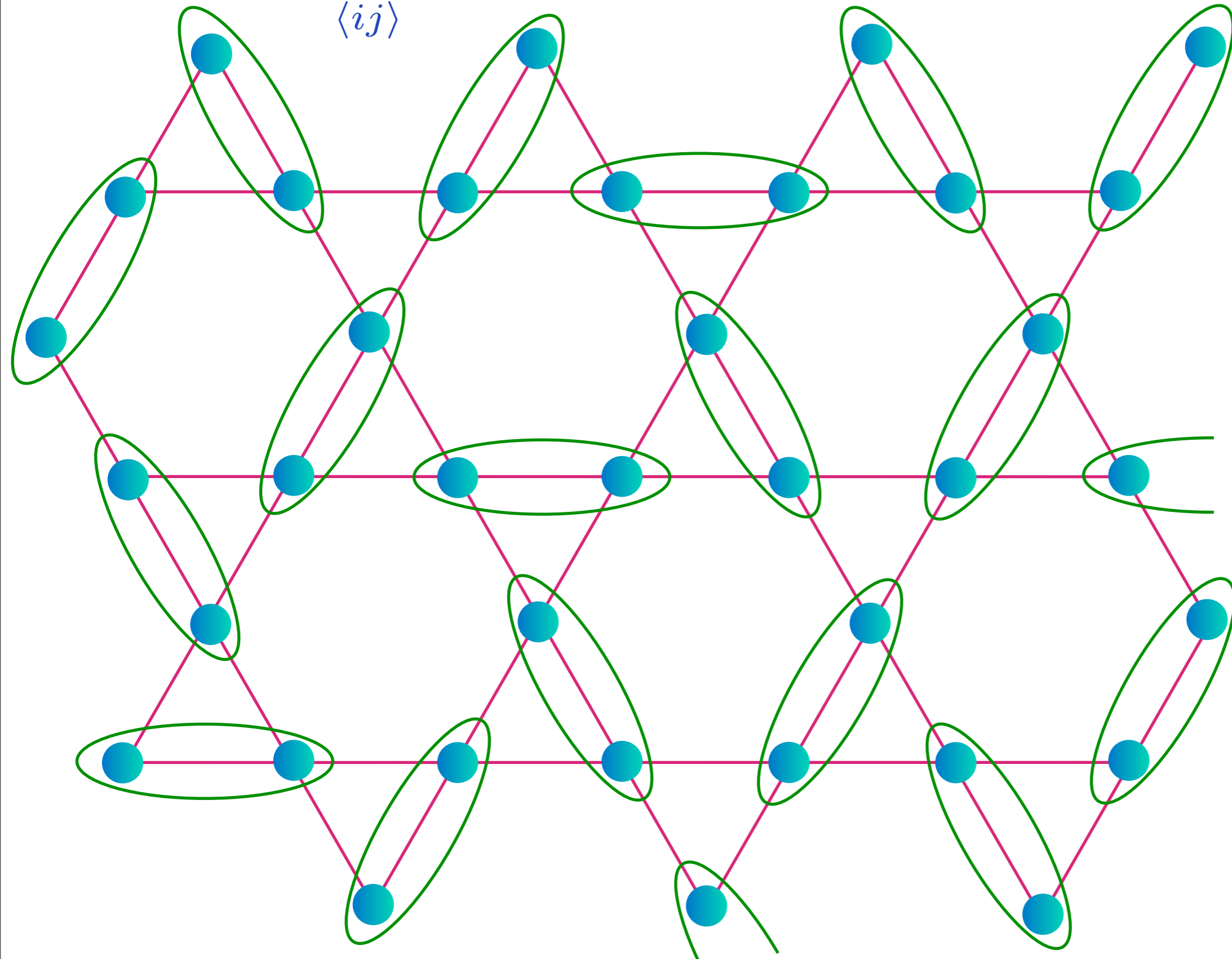
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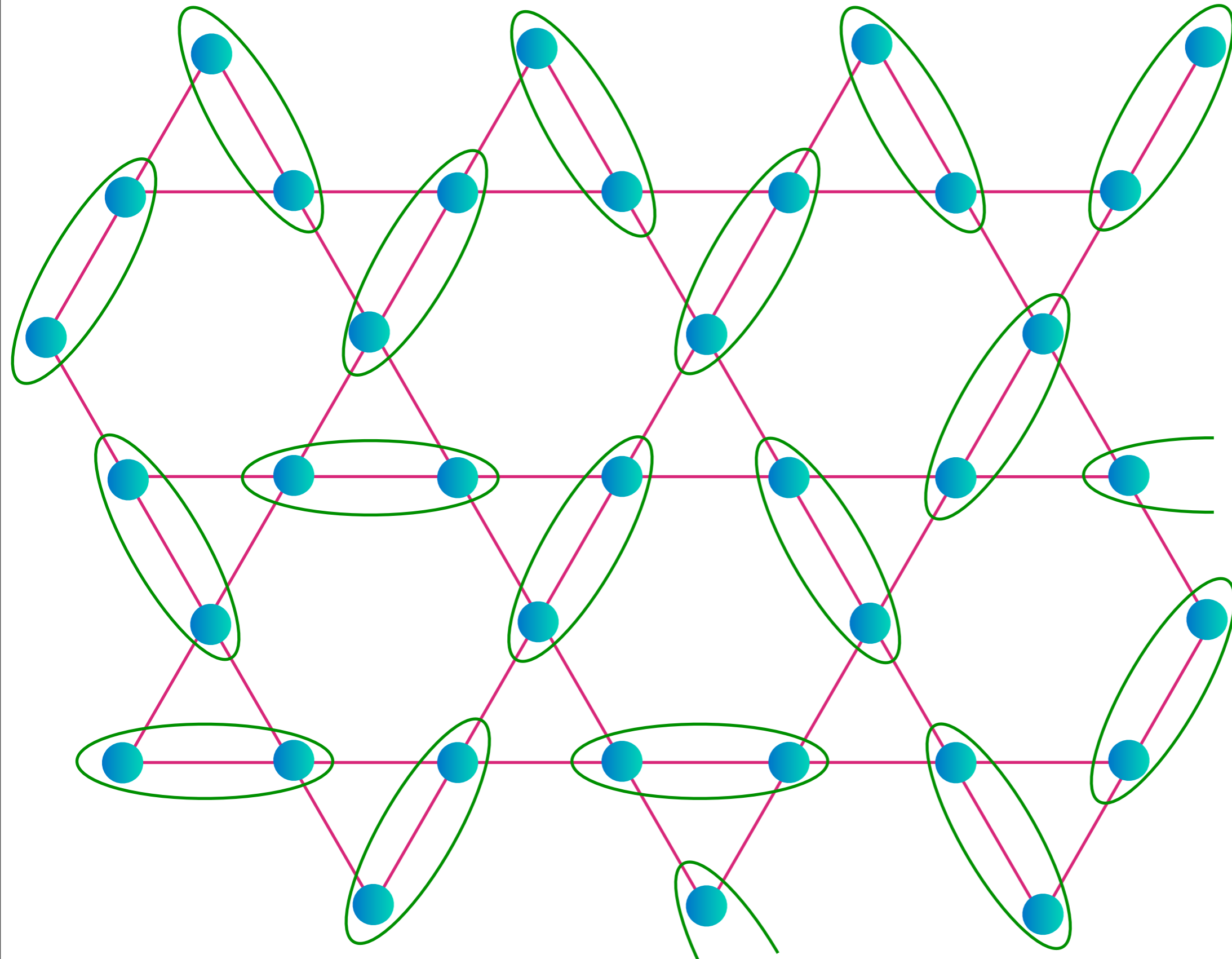
$$\text{[Diagram of two blue spheres in a green oval]} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle)$$



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Alternative view

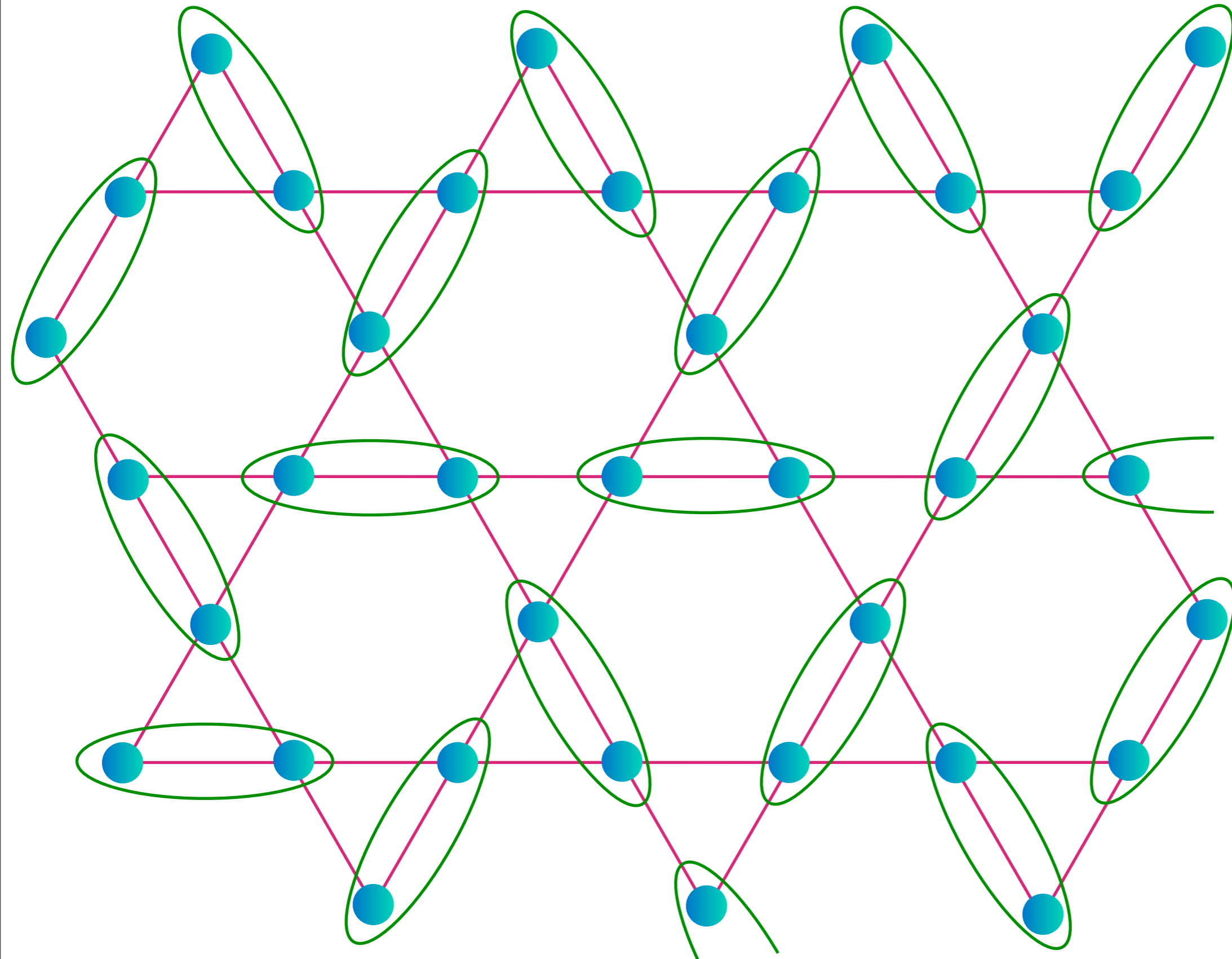
Pick a reference configuration



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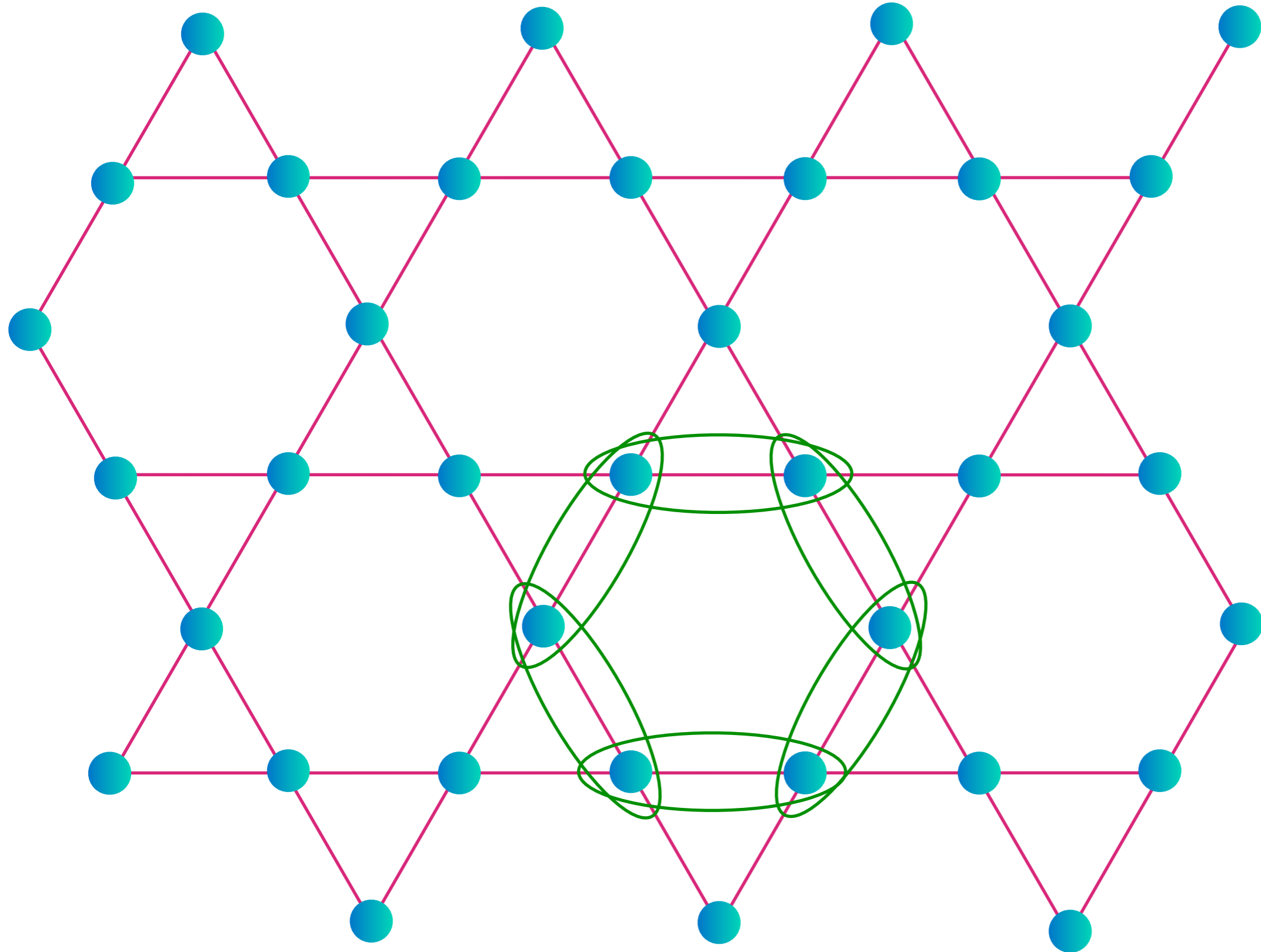
A nearby configuration



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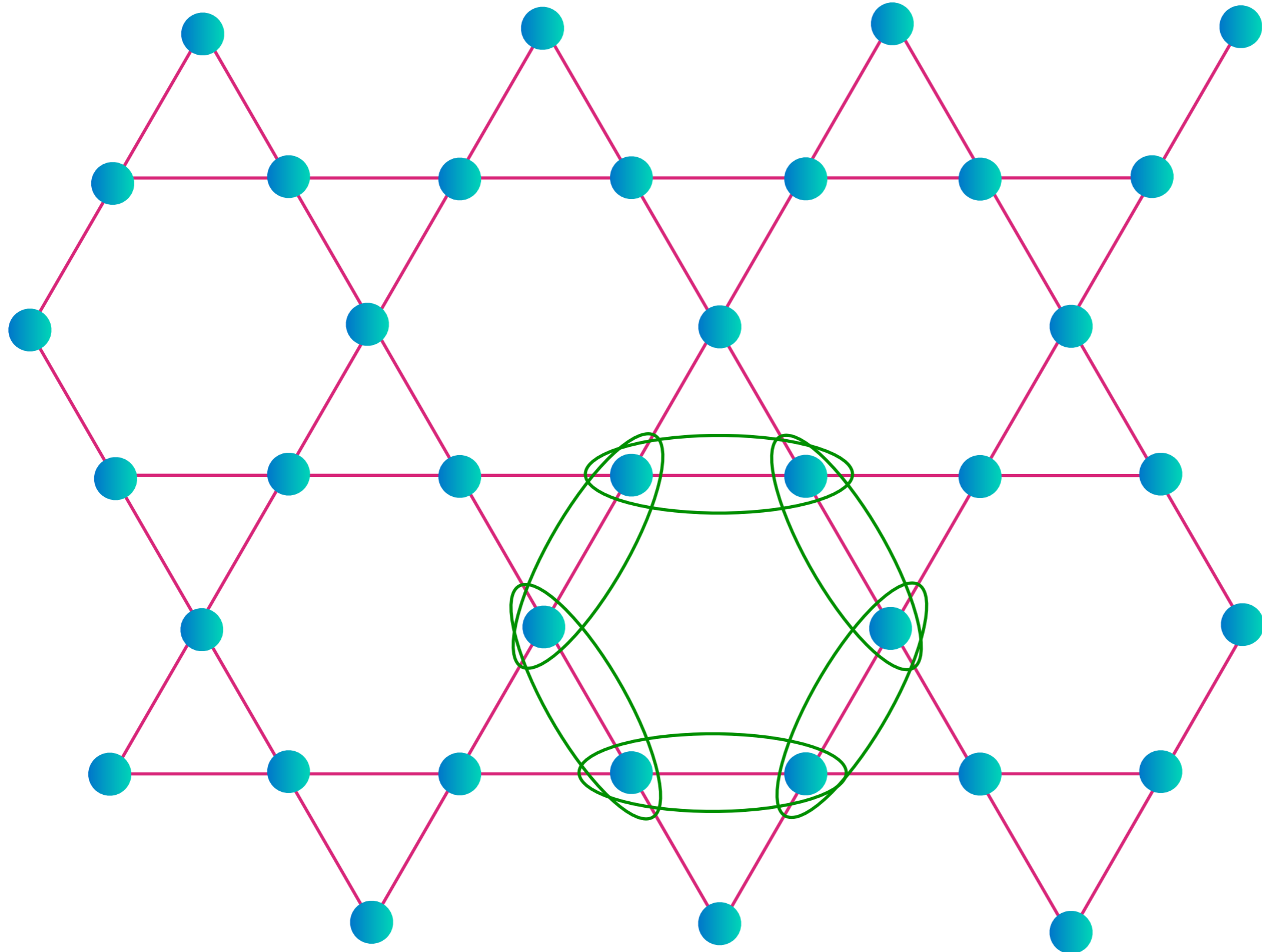
Difference: a closed loop



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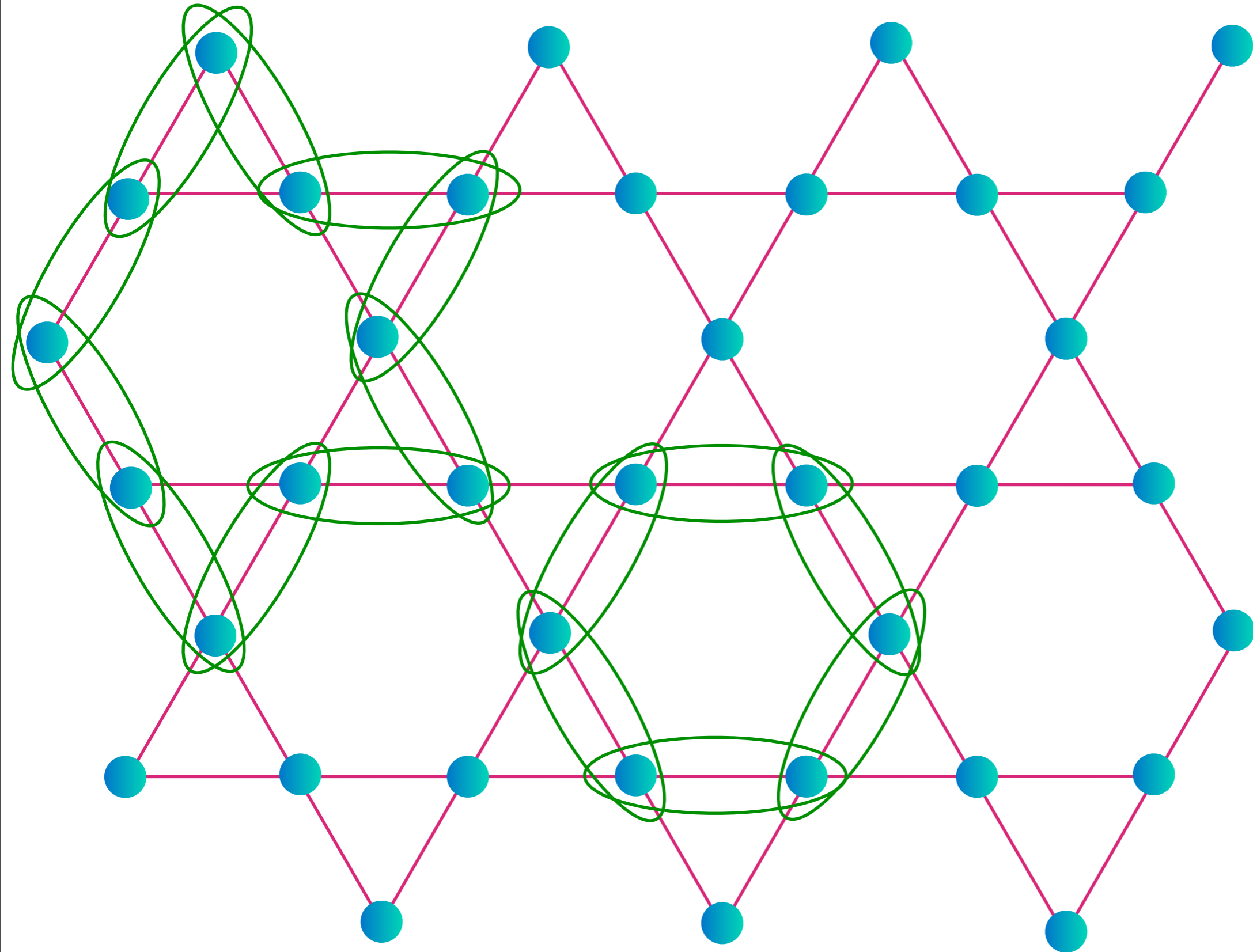
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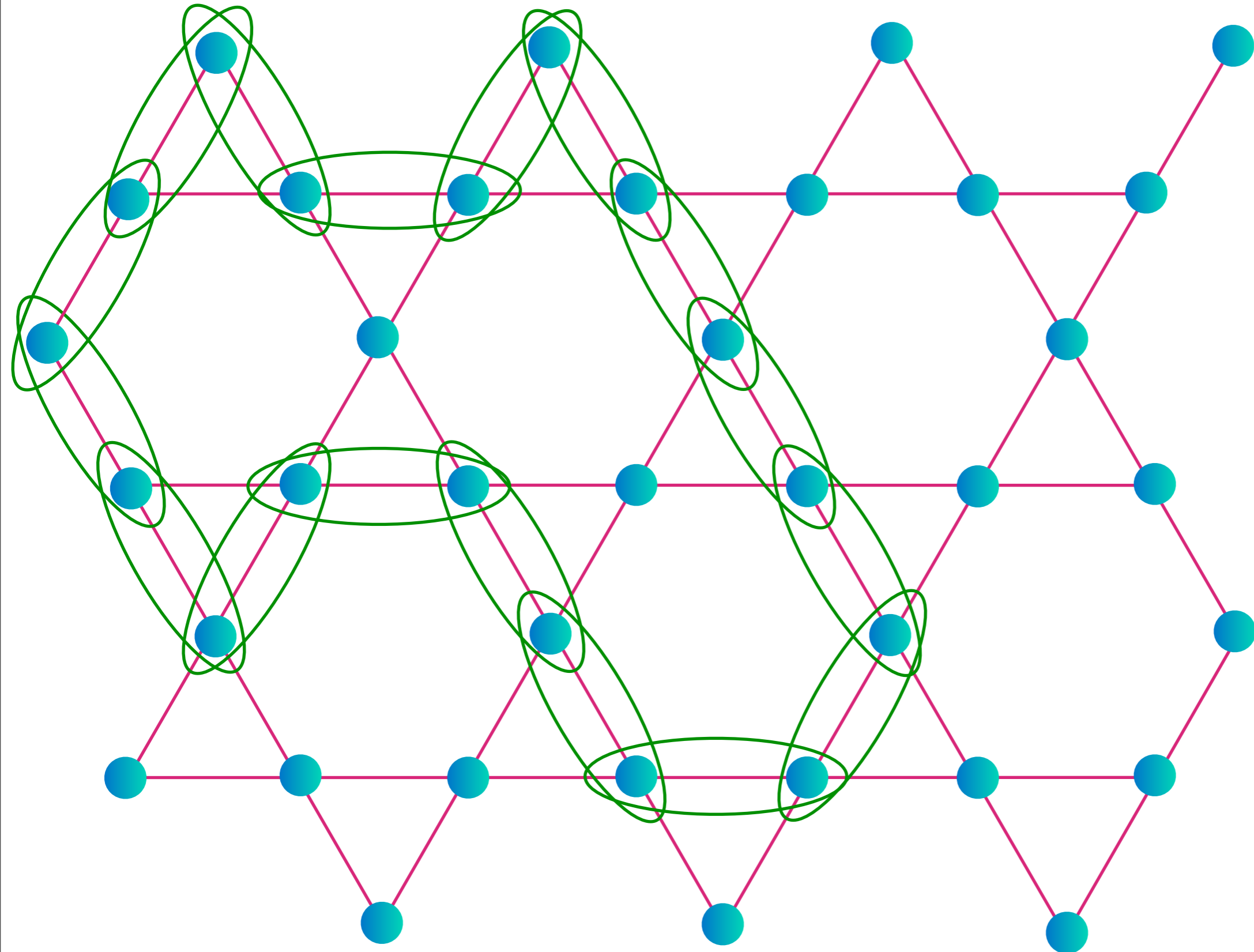
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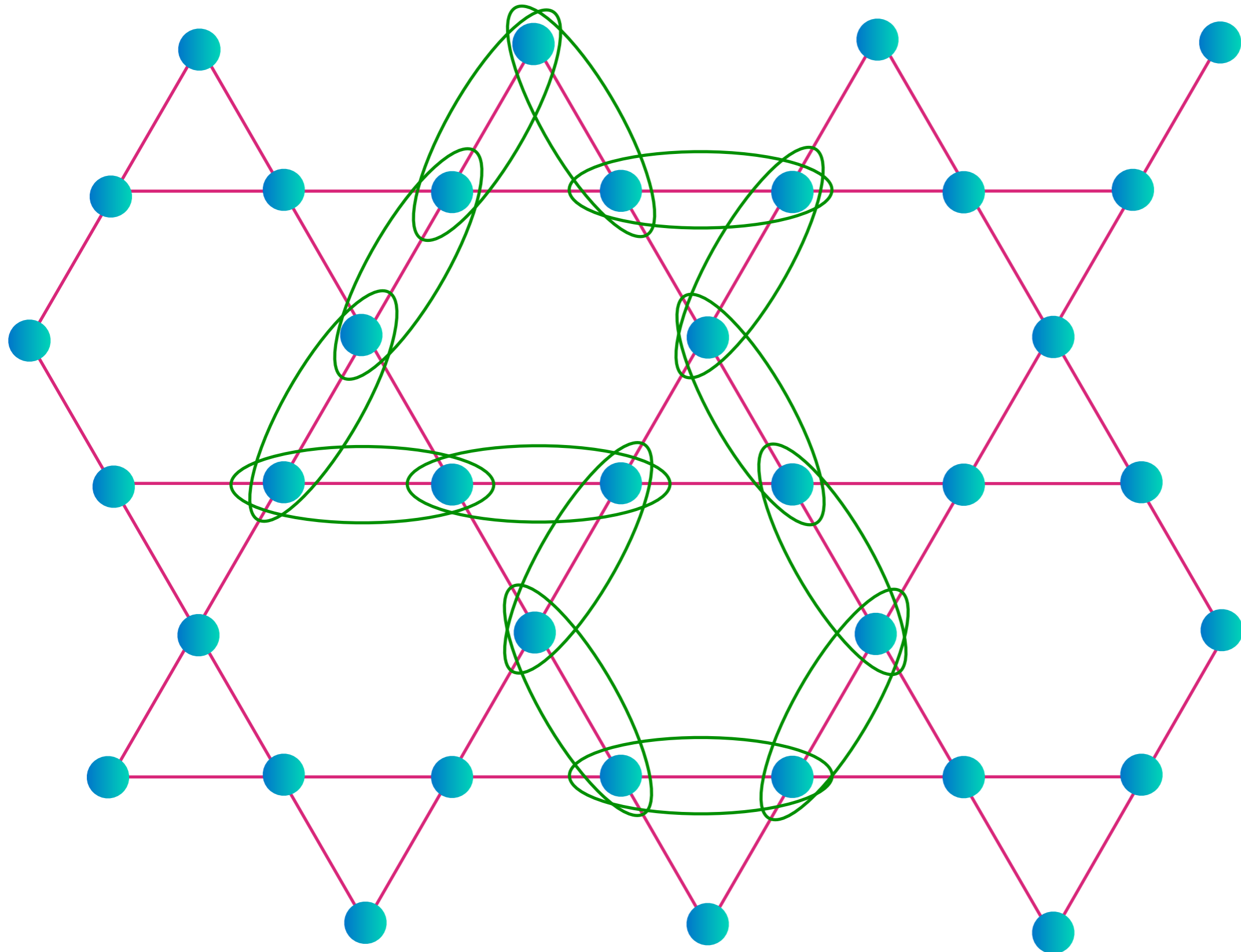
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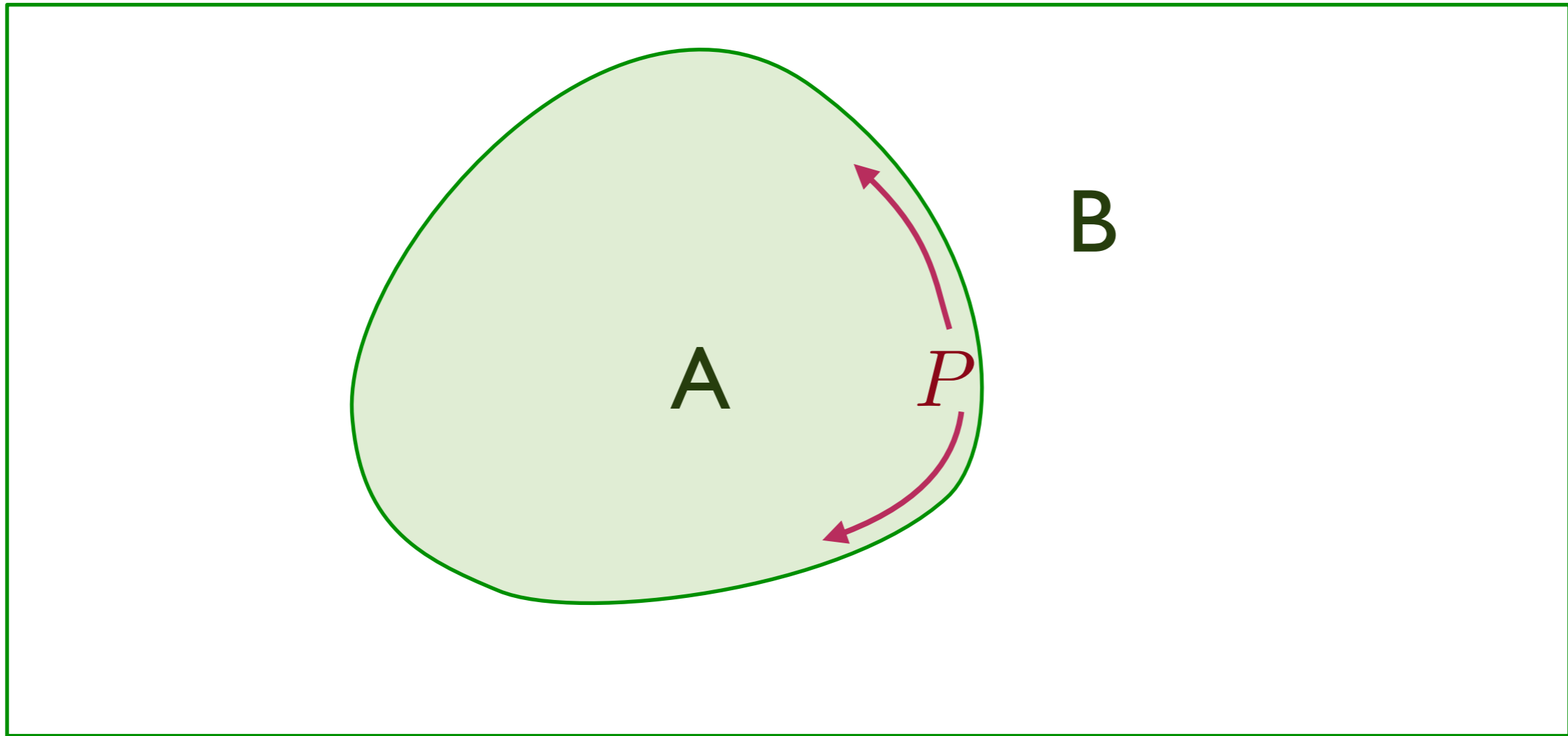
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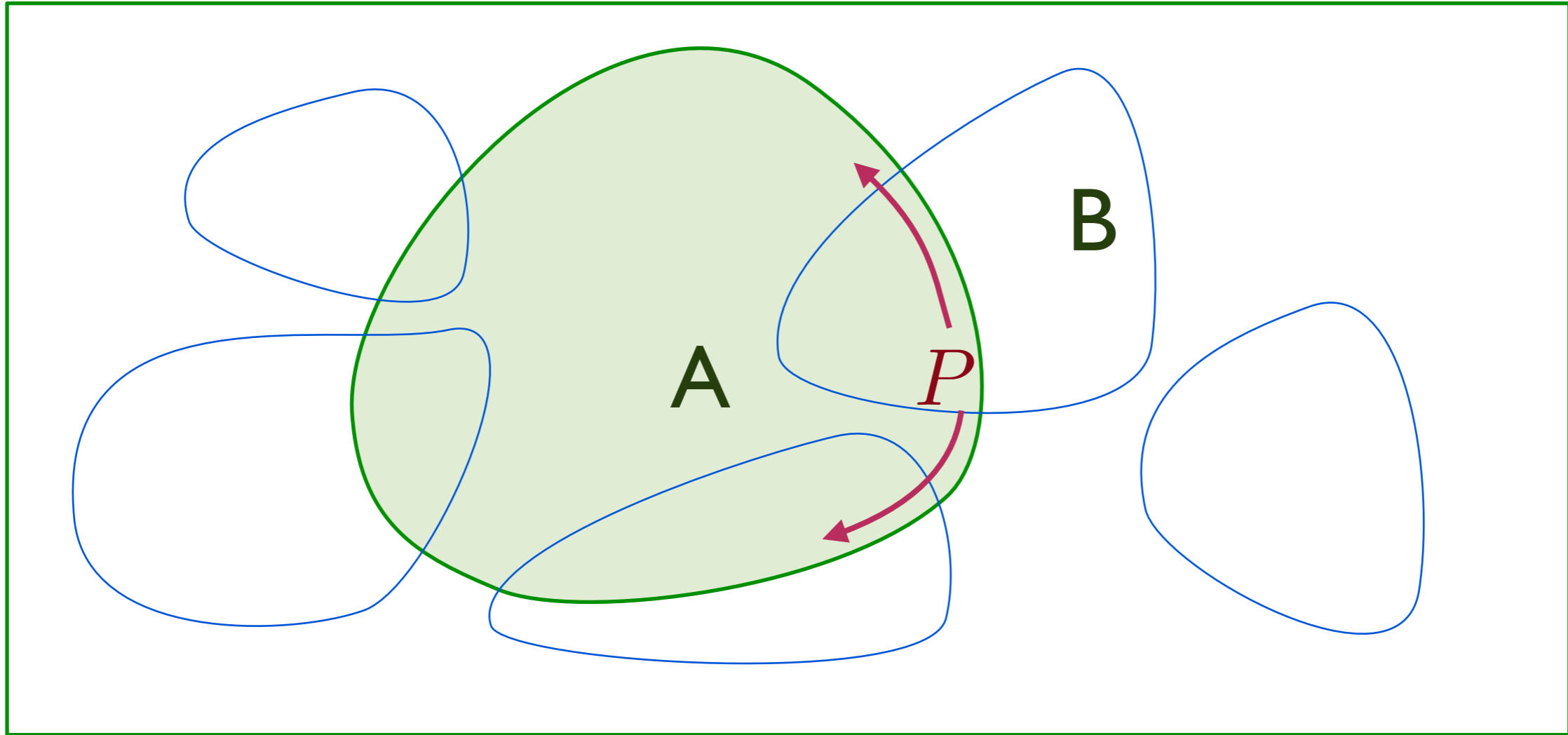


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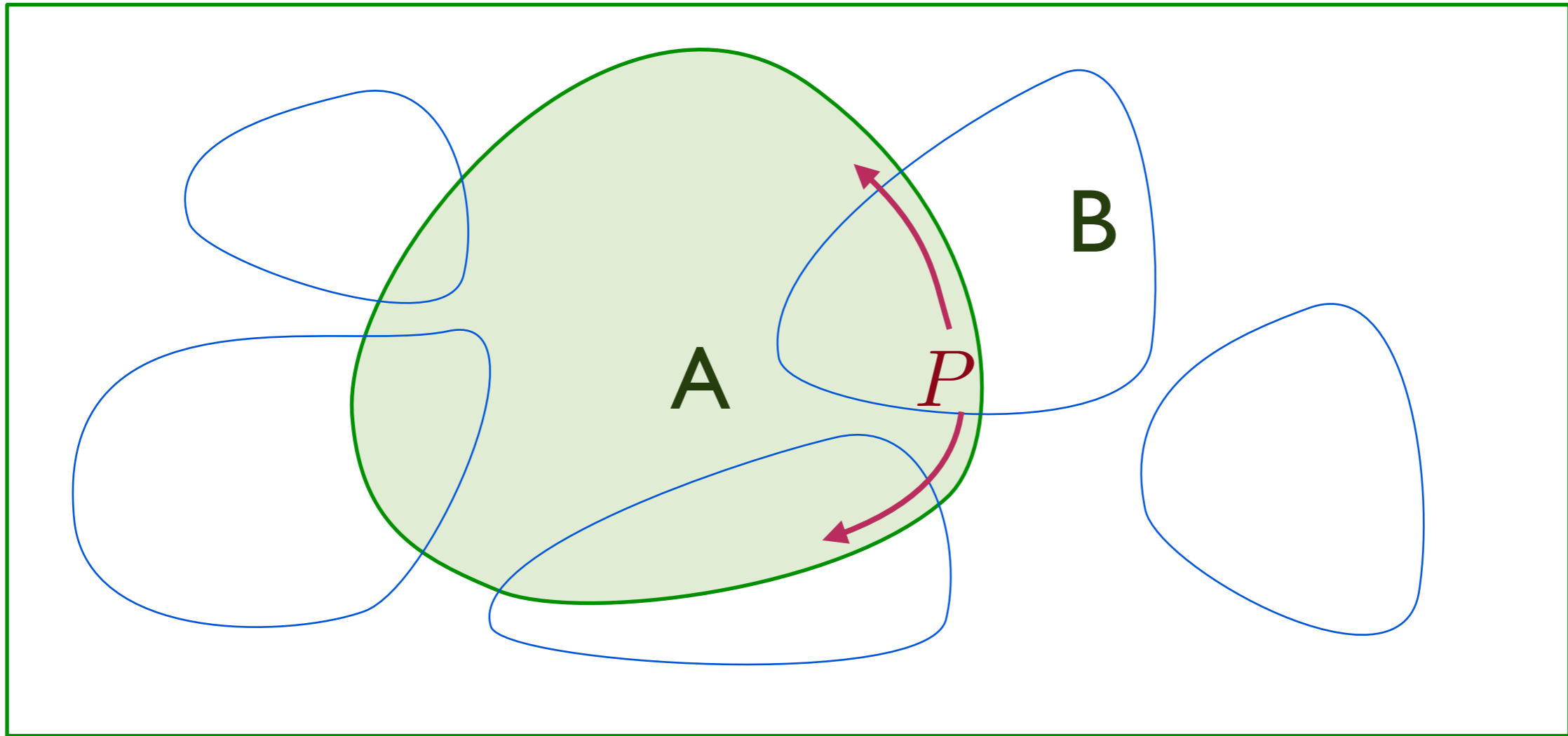
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Sum over closed loops: only an even number of links cross the boundary between A and B

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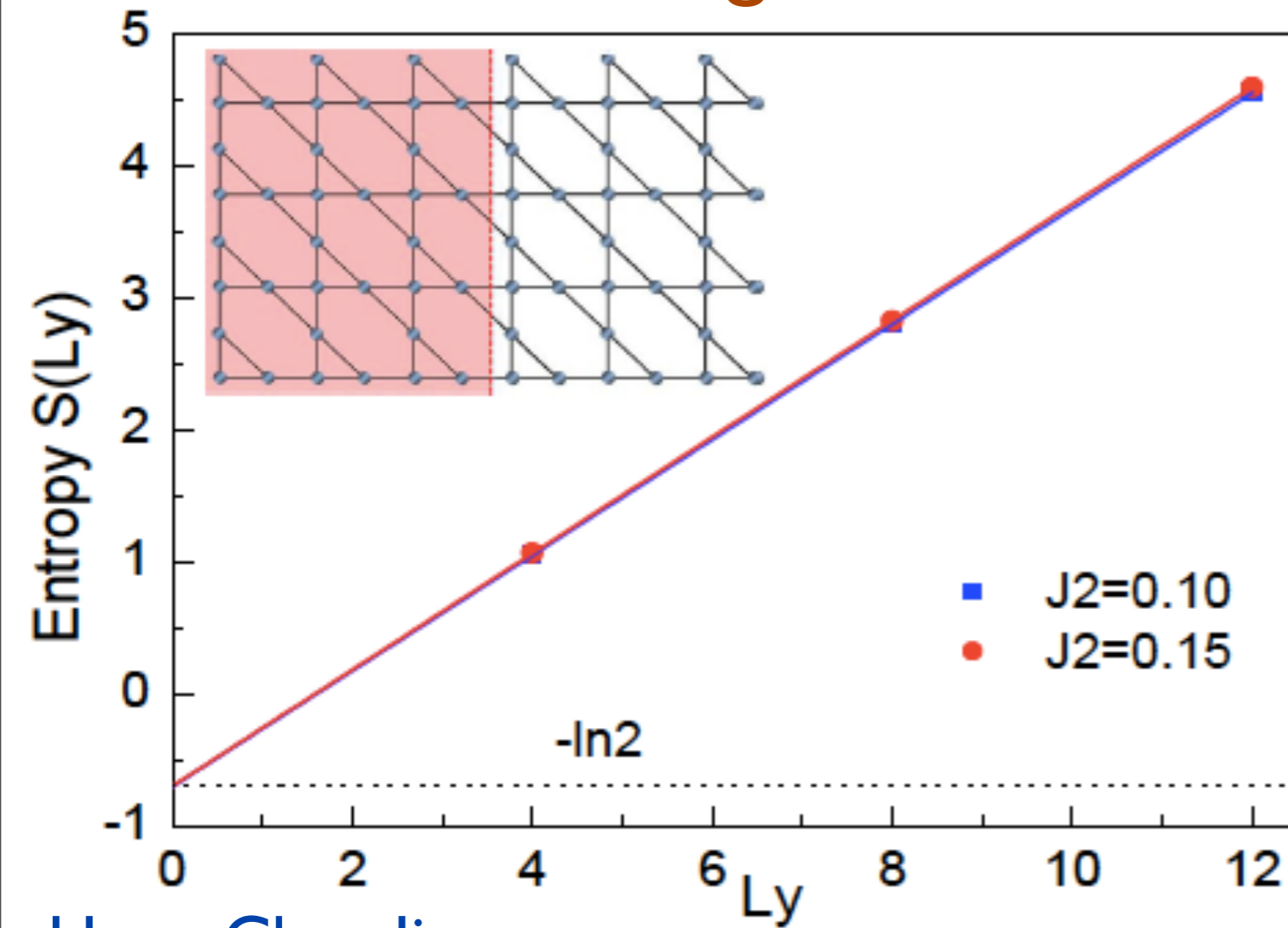
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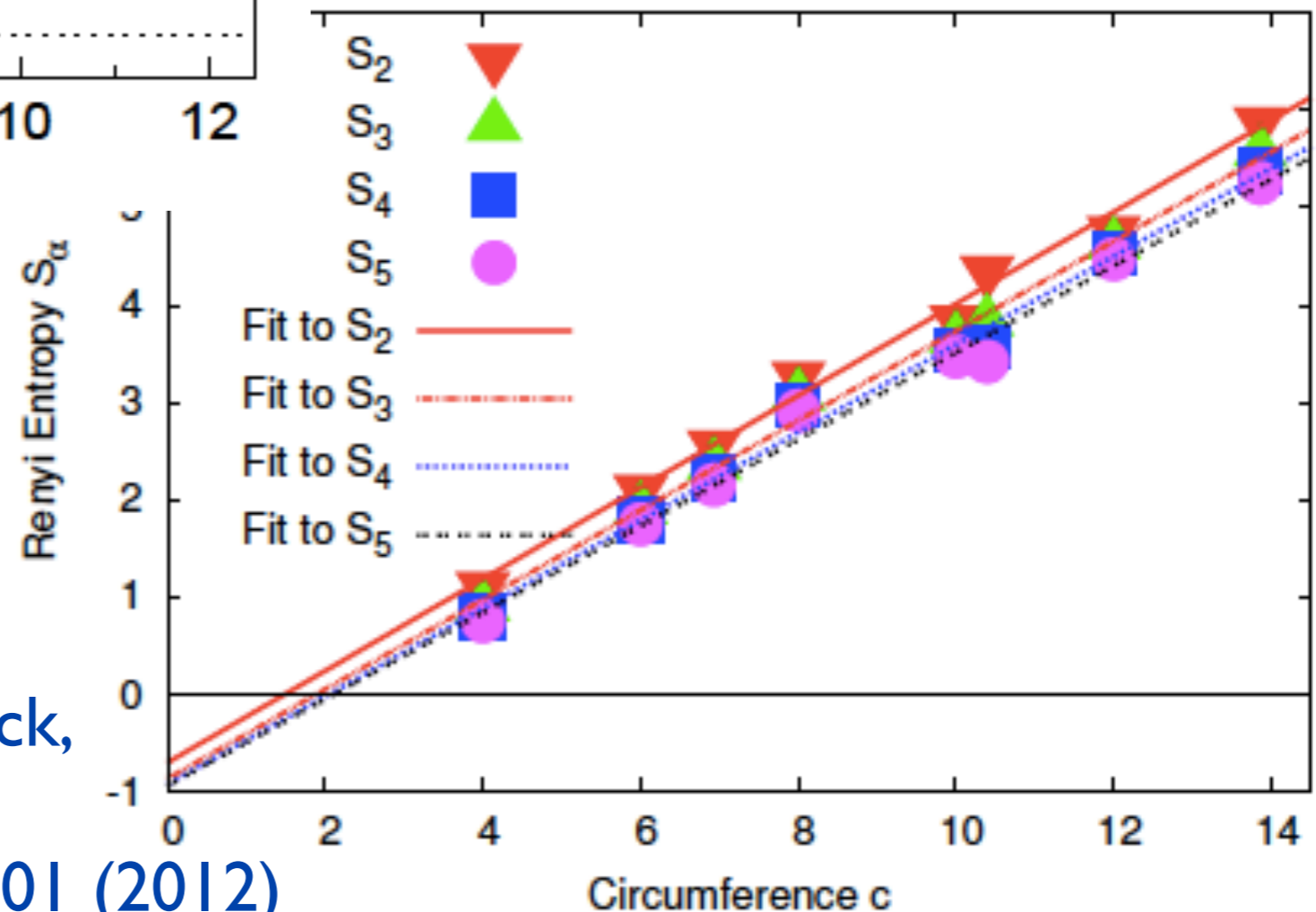
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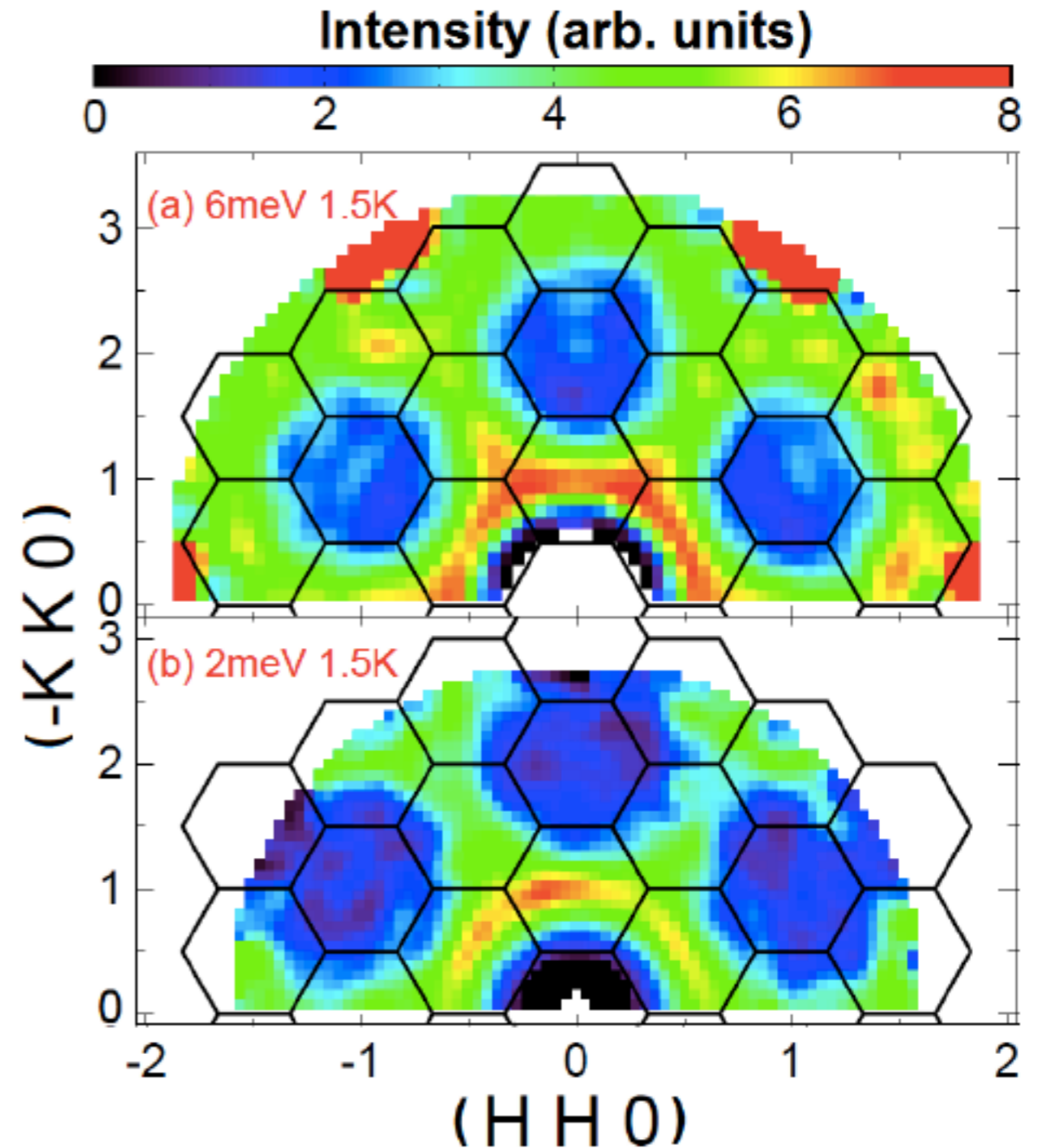
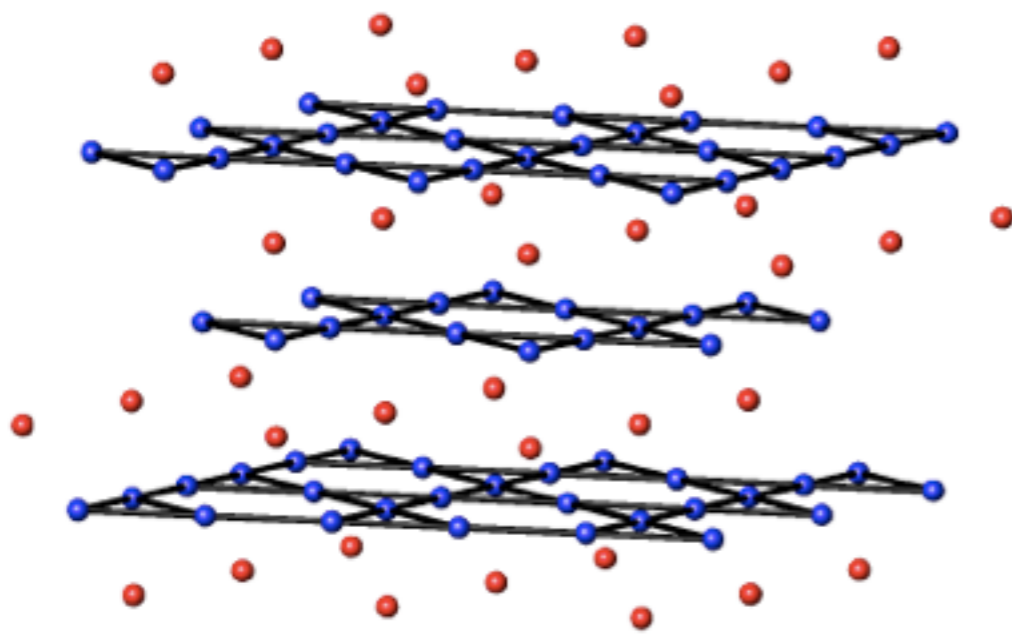


Fractionalized excitations in the spin-liquid state of a kagome-lattice antiferromagnet

Tian-Heng Han¹, Joel S. Helton², Shaoyan Chu³, Daniel G. Nocera⁴, Jose A. Rodriguez-Rivera^{2,5}, Collin Broholm^{2,6} & Young S. Lee¹

Nature **492**, 406 (2012)

$\text{ZnCu}_3(\text{OH})_6\text{Cl}_2$ (also called Herbertsmithite)



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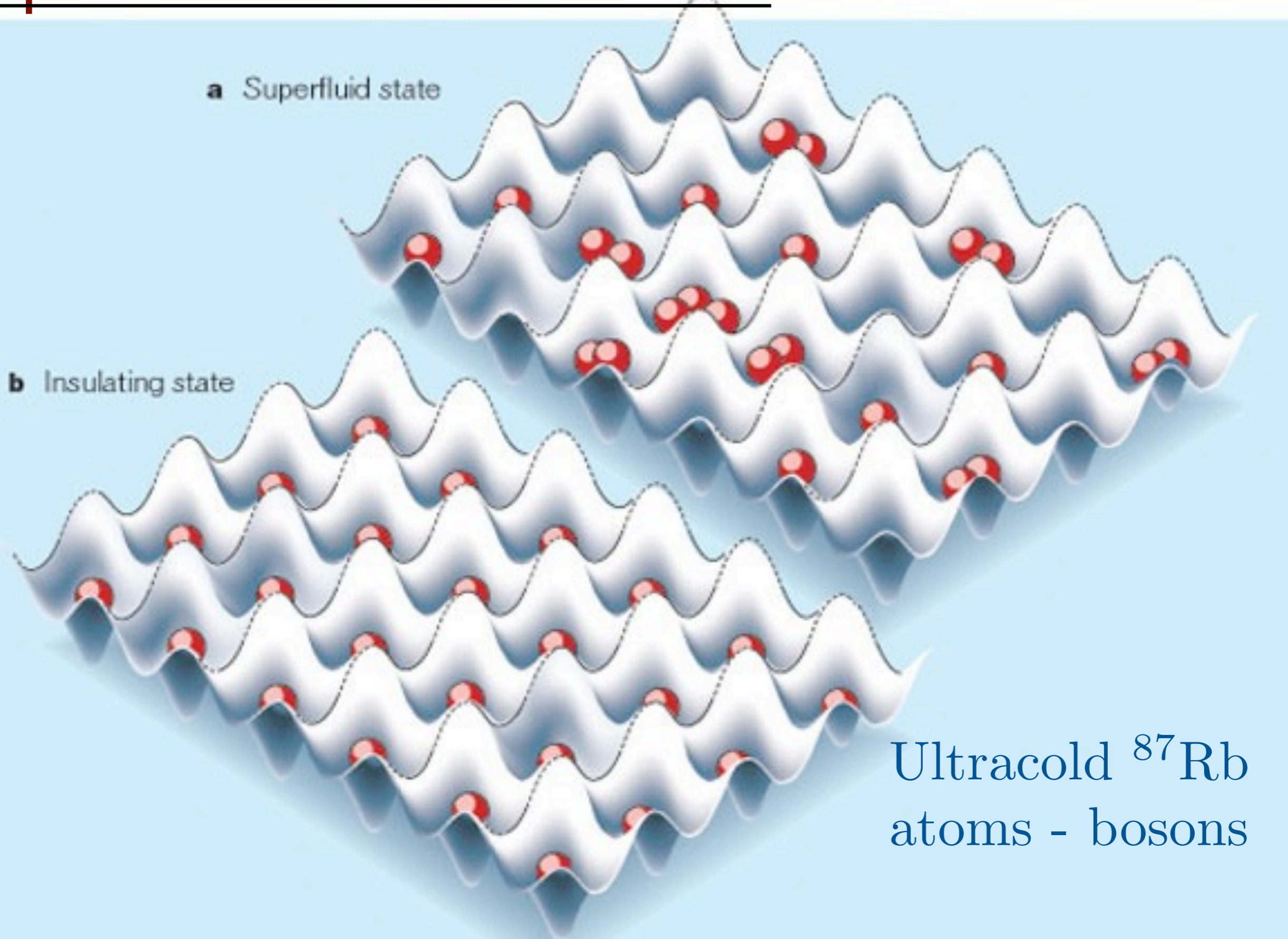
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Superfluid-insulator transition



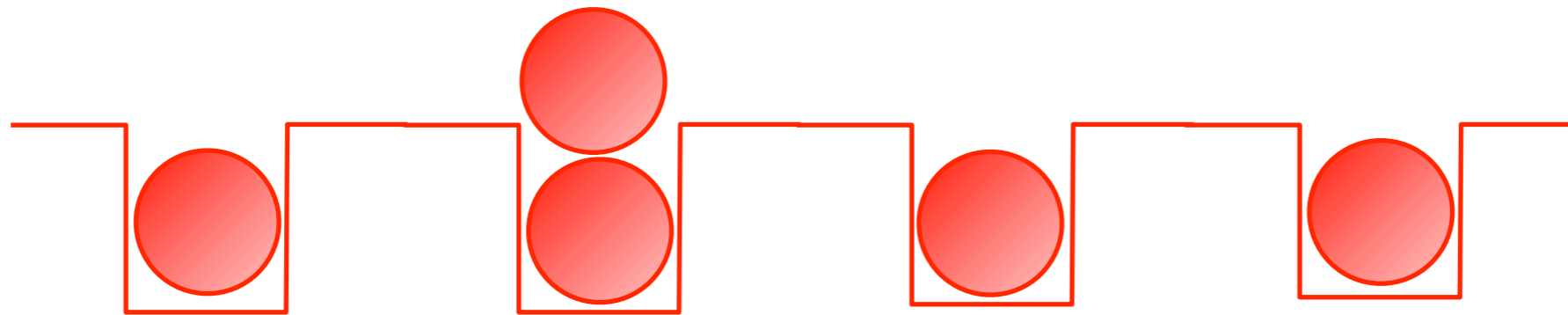
Ultracold ^{87}Rb
atoms - bosons

M. Greiner, O. Mandel, T. Esslinger, T. W. Hänsch, and I. Bloch, *Nature* **415**, 39 (2002).



Insulator (the vacuum)
at large repulsion between bosons

Excitations of the insulator:



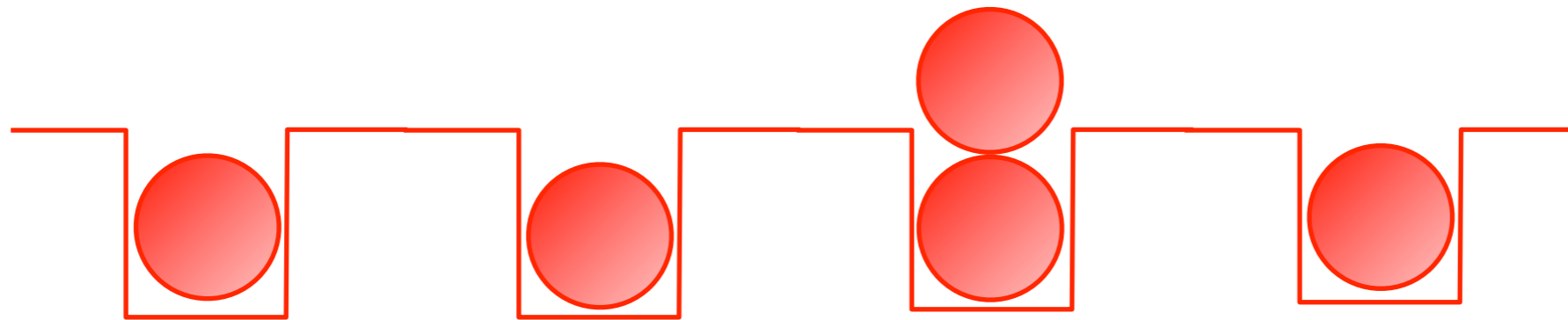
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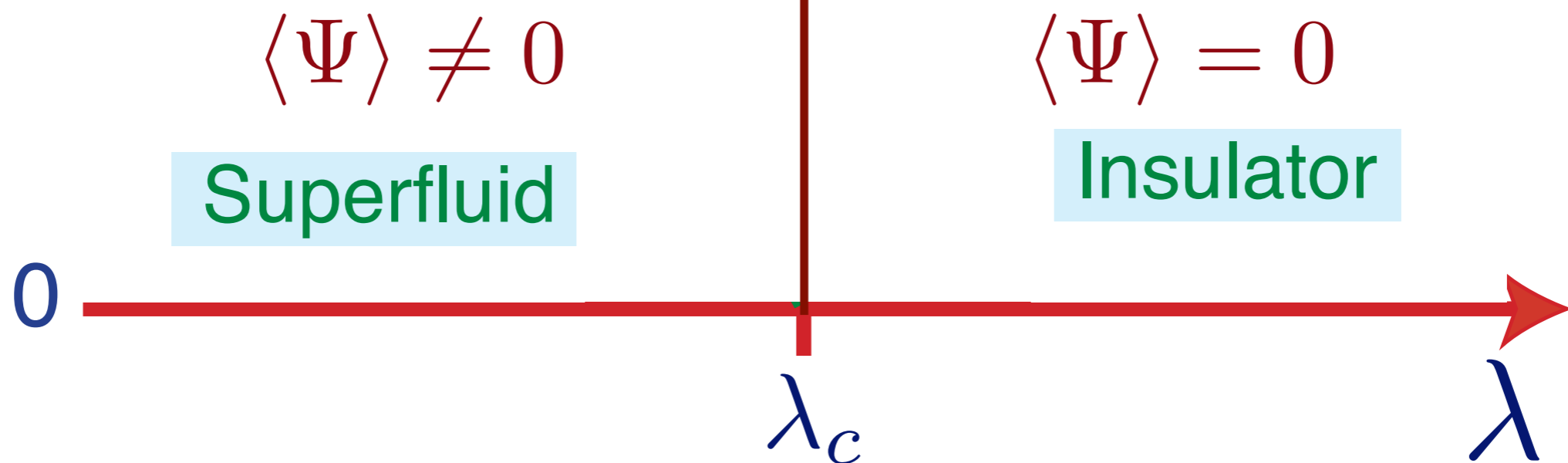
Density of particles = density of holes \Rightarrow
“Relativistic” field theory for Ψ :

$$\mathcal{S} = \int d^2 r d\tau \left[|\partial_\tau \Psi|^2 + c^2 |\nabla_r \Psi|^2 + (\lambda - \lambda_c) |\Psi|^2 + u (|\Psi|^2)^2 \right]$$

M.P. A. Fisher, P.B. Weichmann, G. Grinstein, and D.S. Fisher, *Phys. Rev. B* **40**, 546 (1989).

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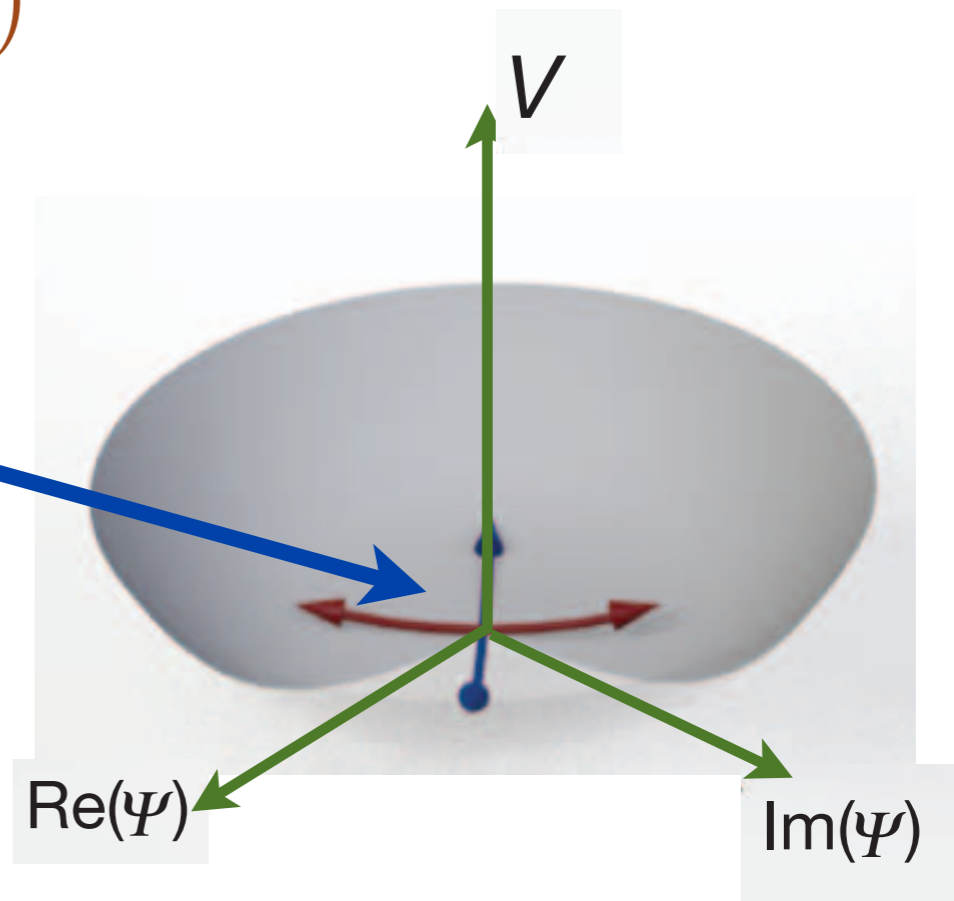
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Particles and holes correspond to the 2 normal modes in the oscillation of Ψ about $\Psi = 0$.

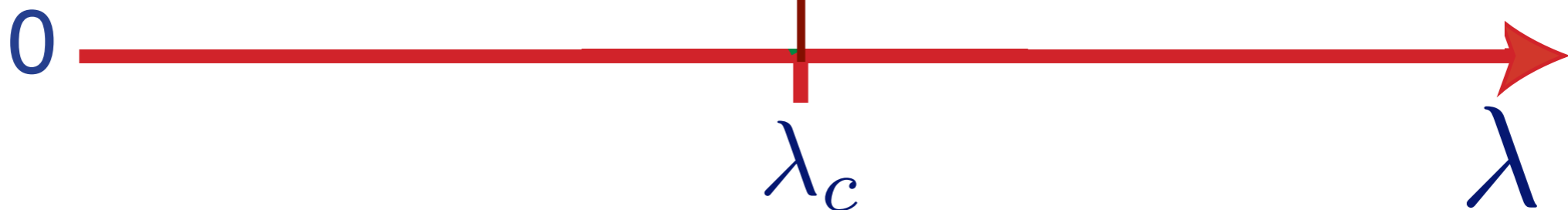


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Superfluid

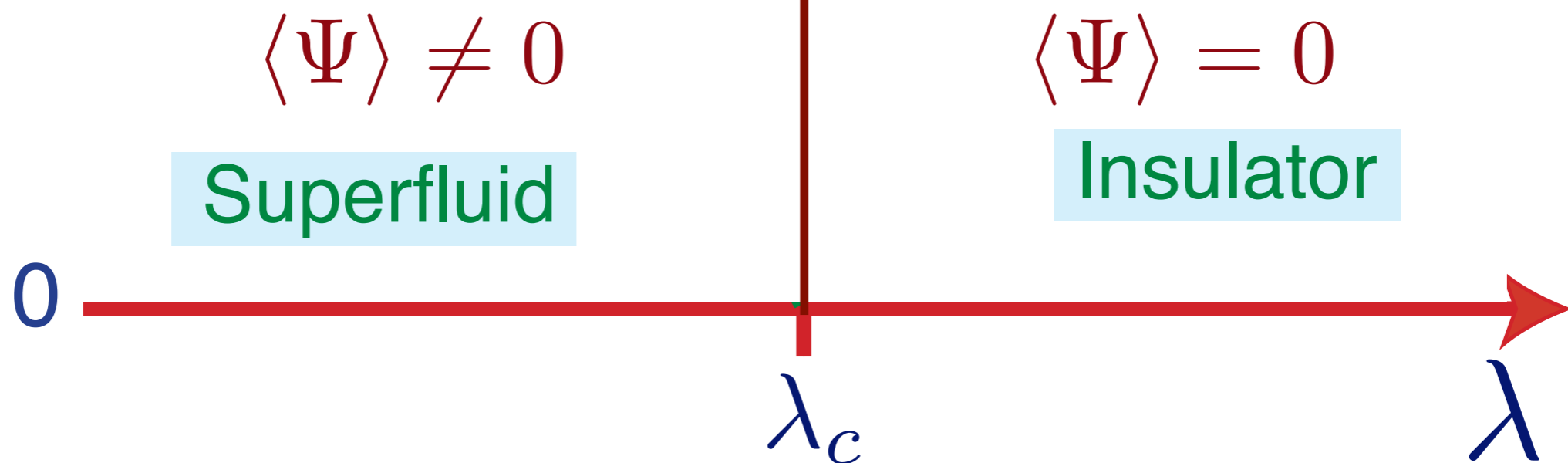
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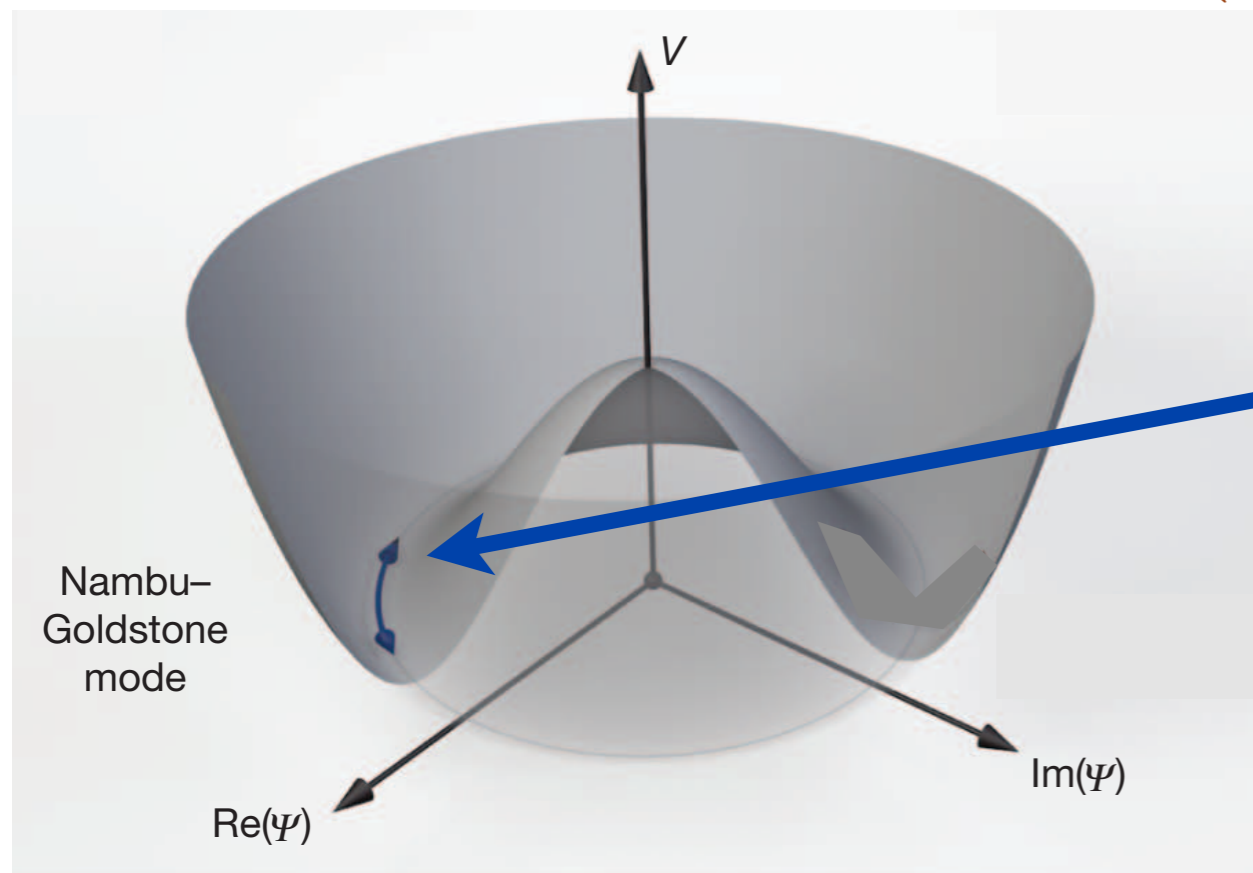
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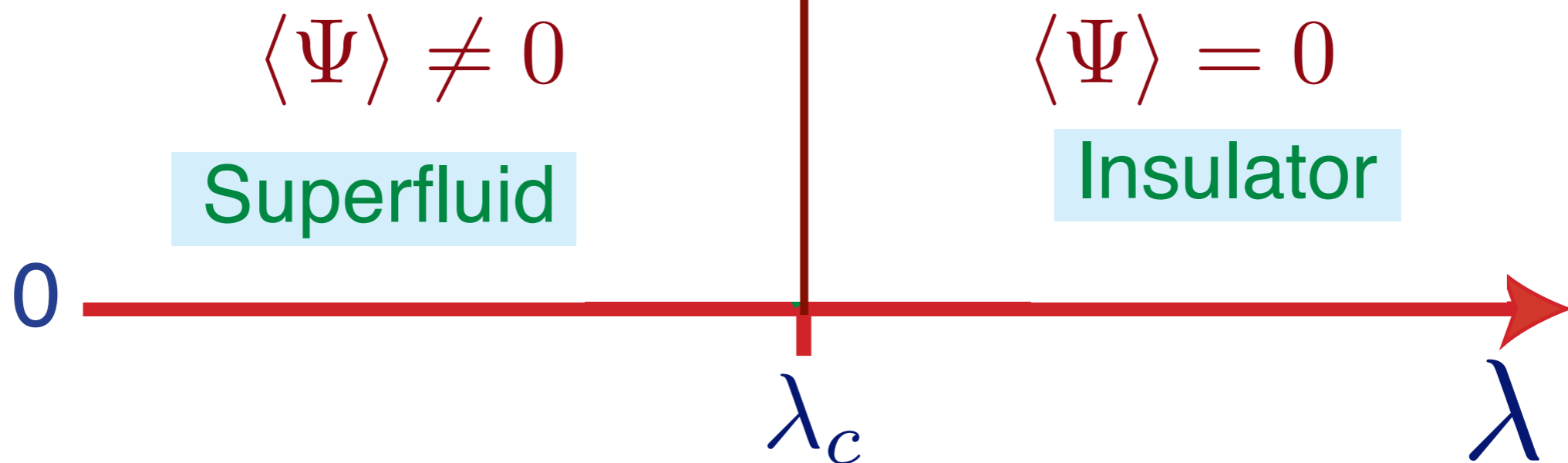
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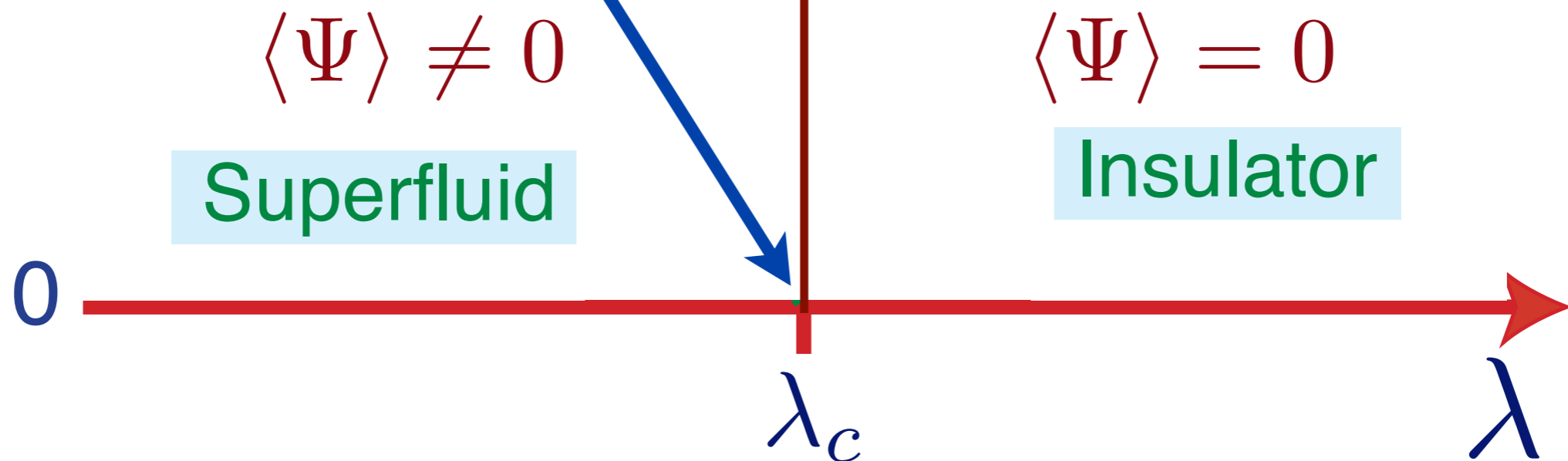
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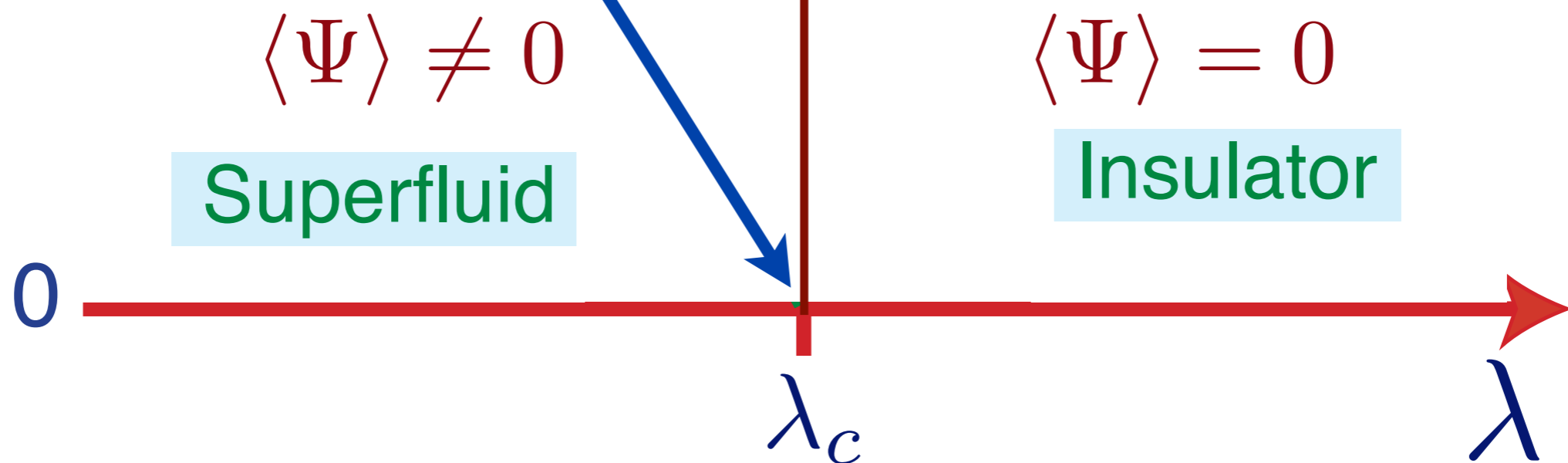
A conformal field theory
in 2+1 spacetime dimensions:
a CFT3



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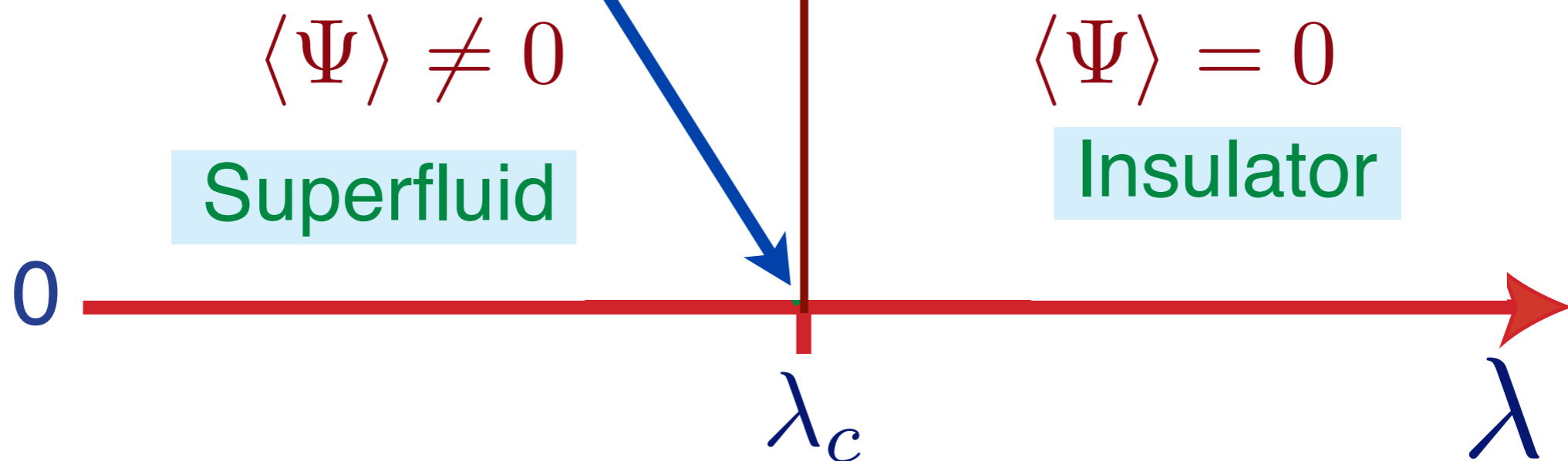
Quantum state with
complex, many-body,
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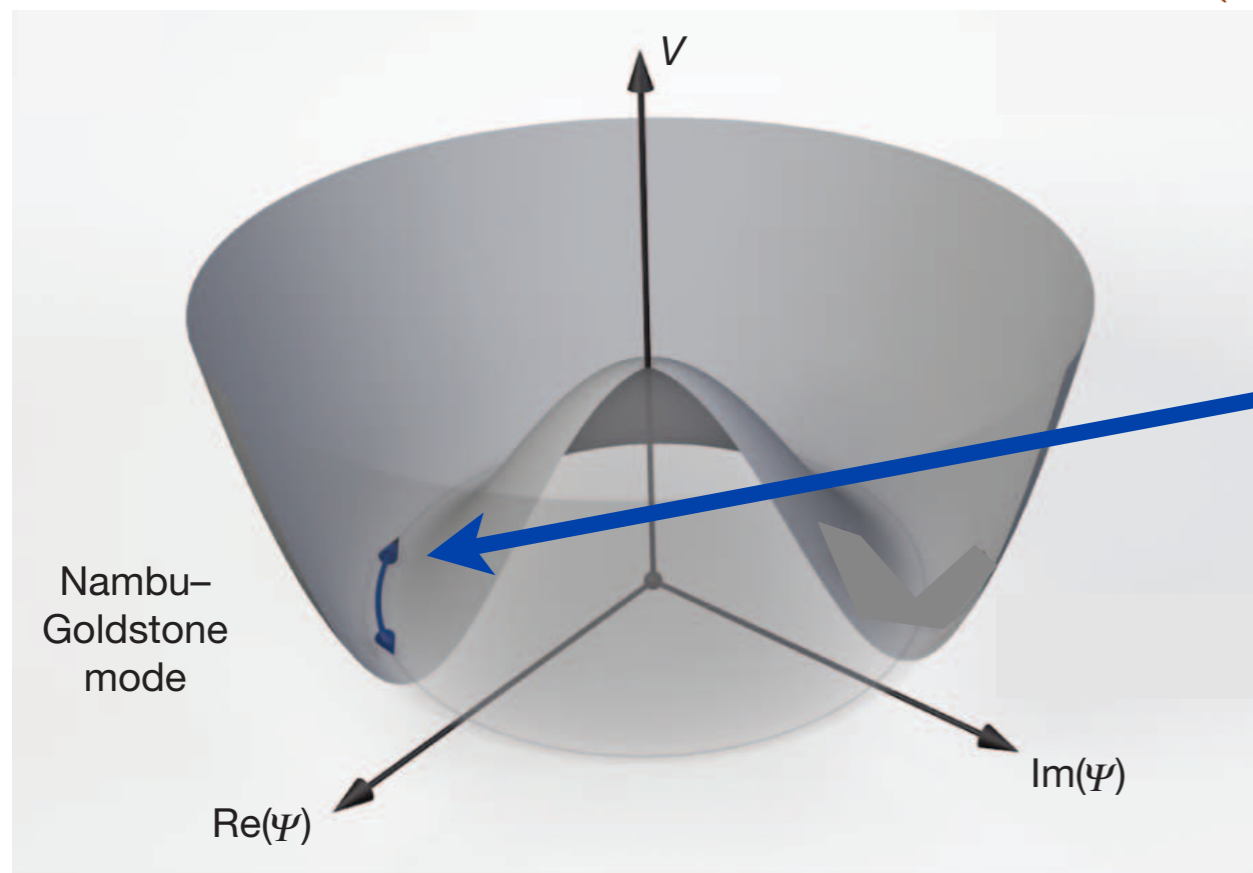
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No well-defined normal modes,
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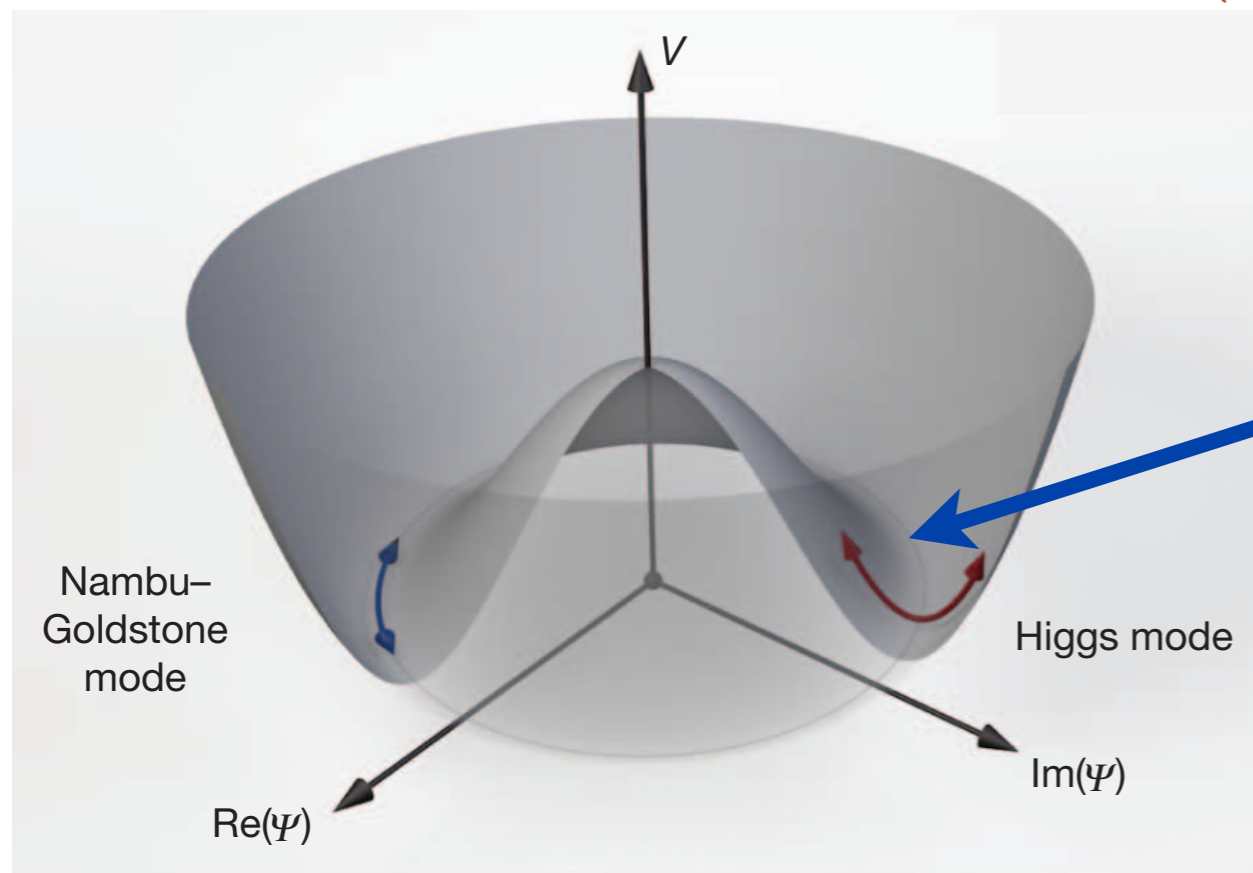
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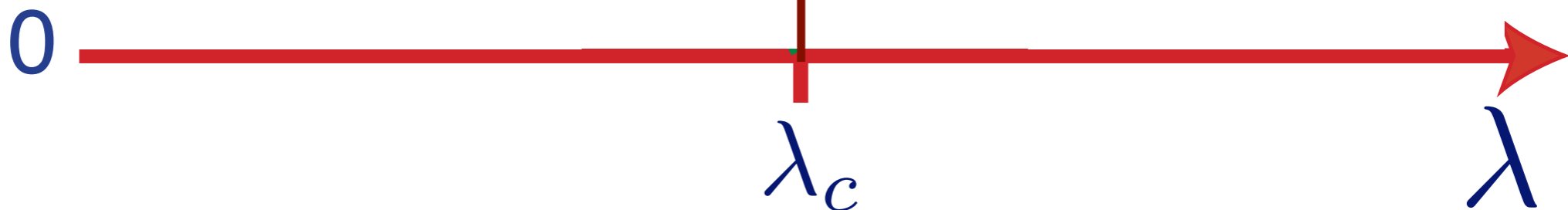
Higgs mode is the oscillation in the amplitude $|\Psi|$. This decays rapidly by emitting pairs of Nambu-Goldstone modes.

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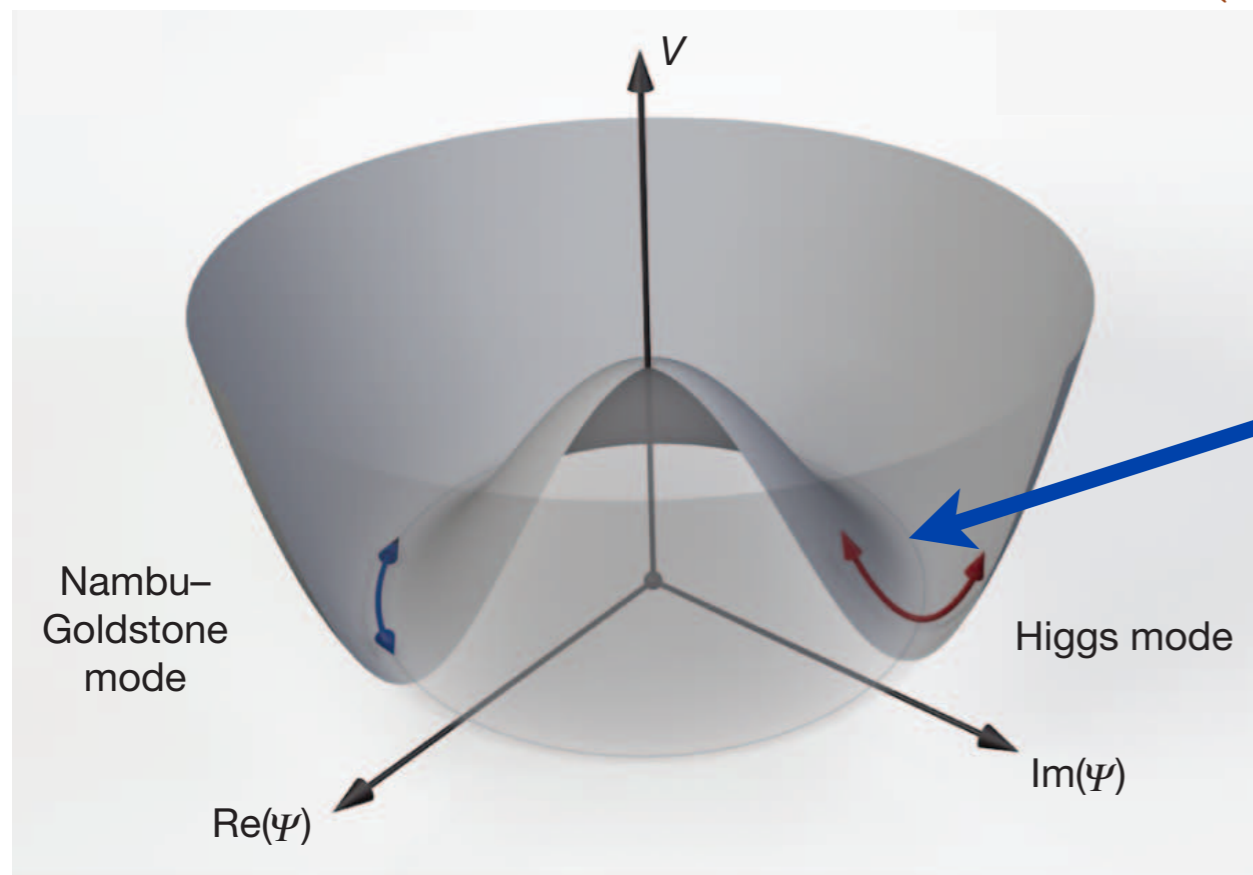
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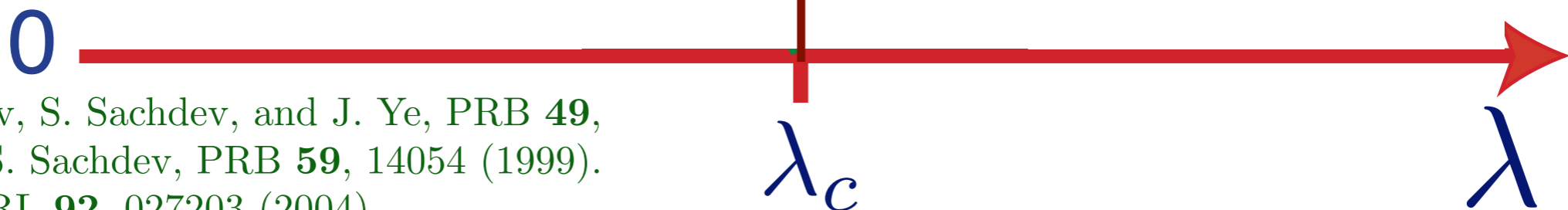
Despite rapid decay, there is a well-defined Higgs “quasi-normal mode”. This is associated with a pole in the lower-half of the complex frequency plane.

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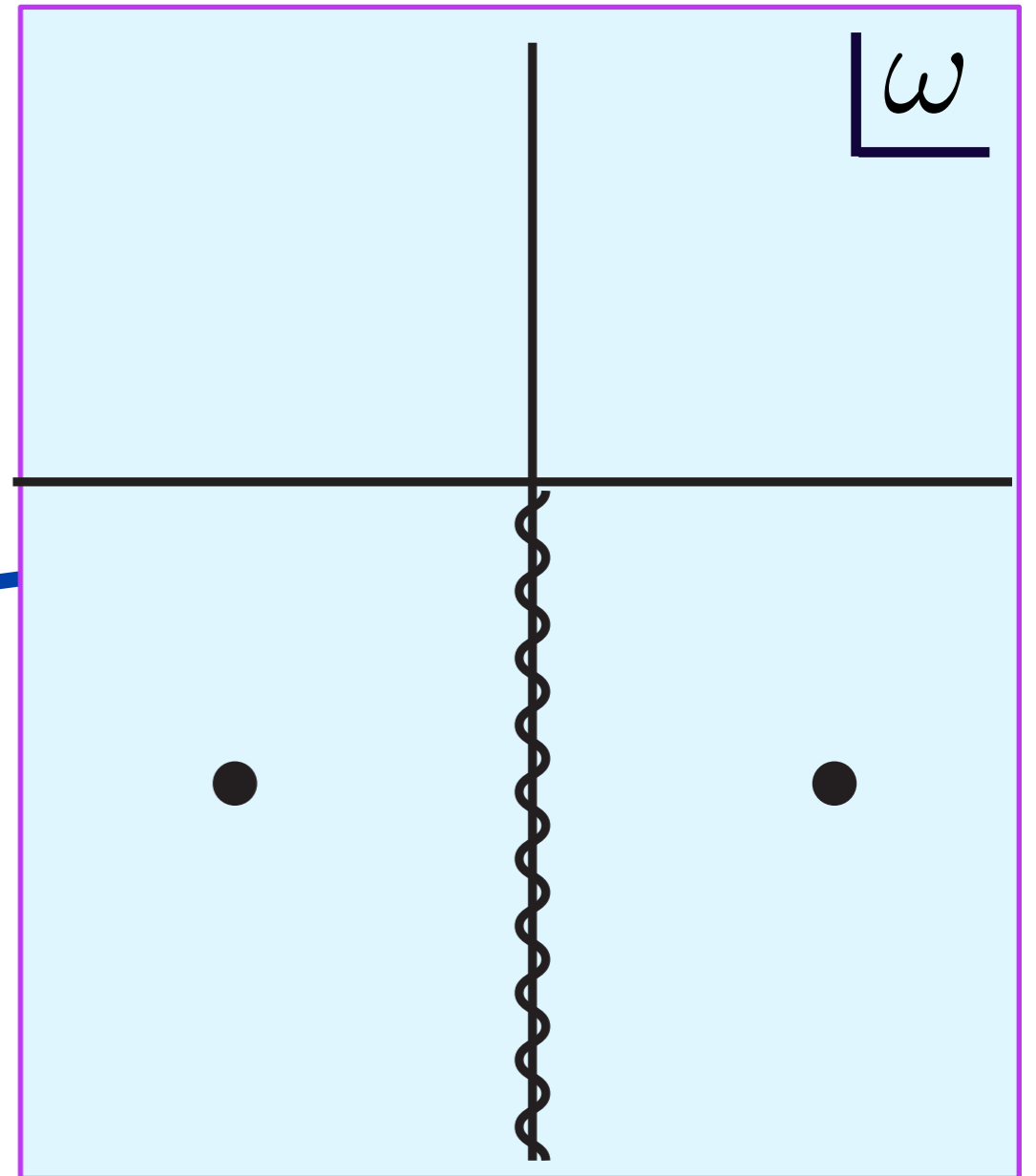
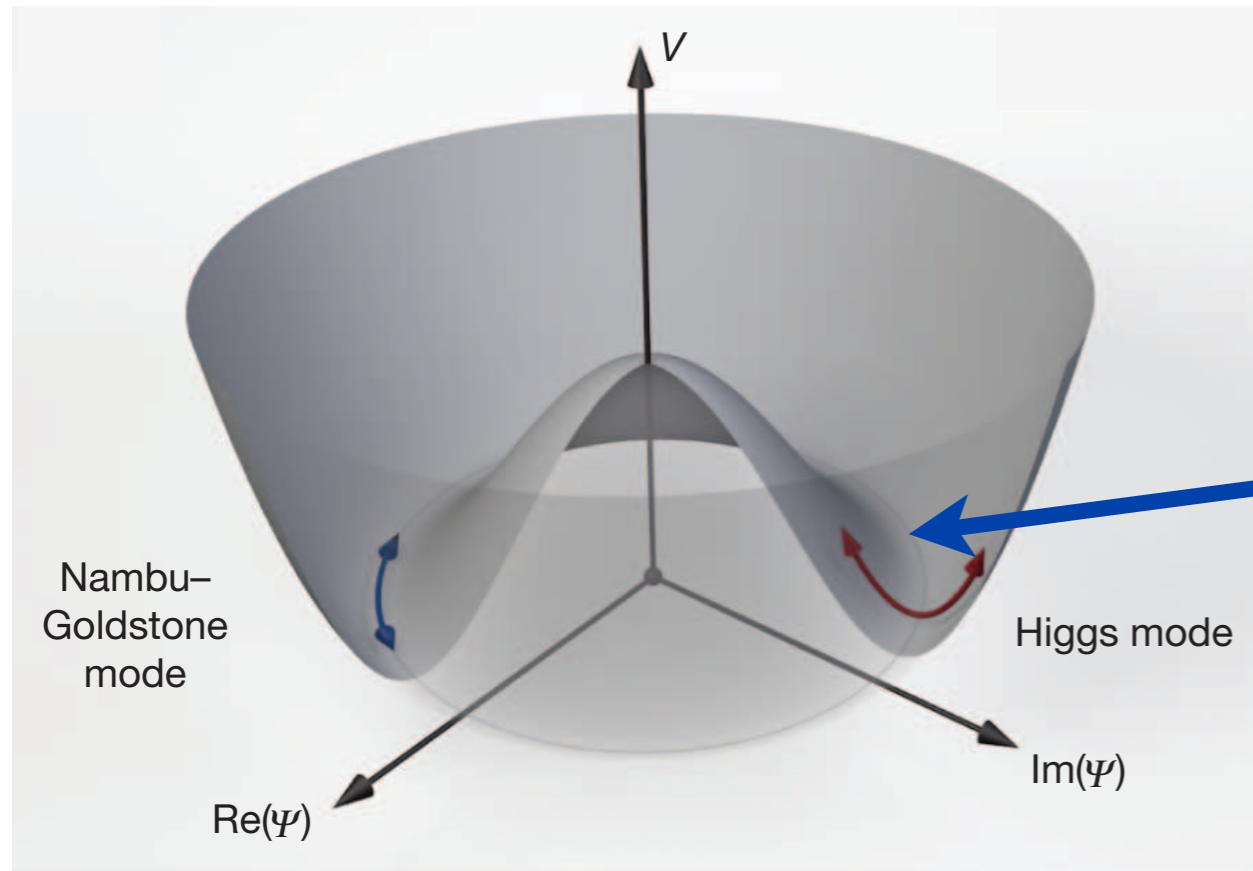
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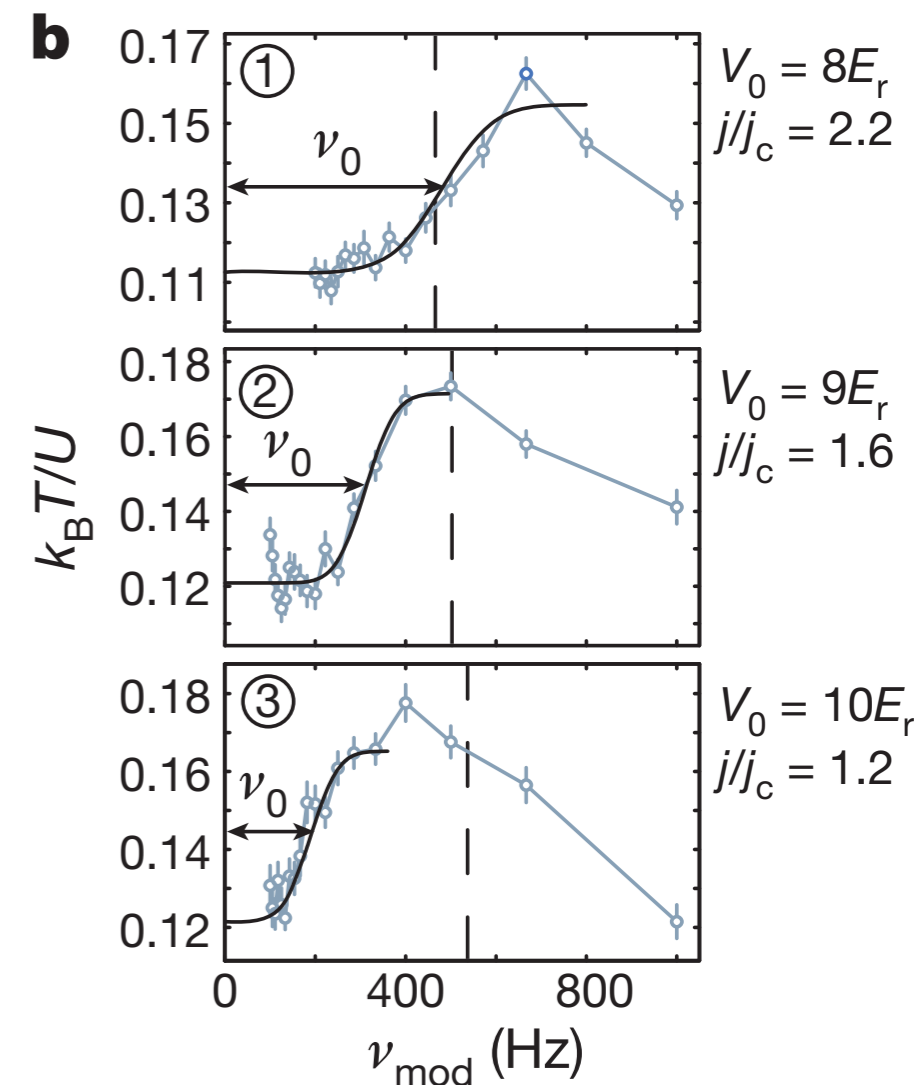
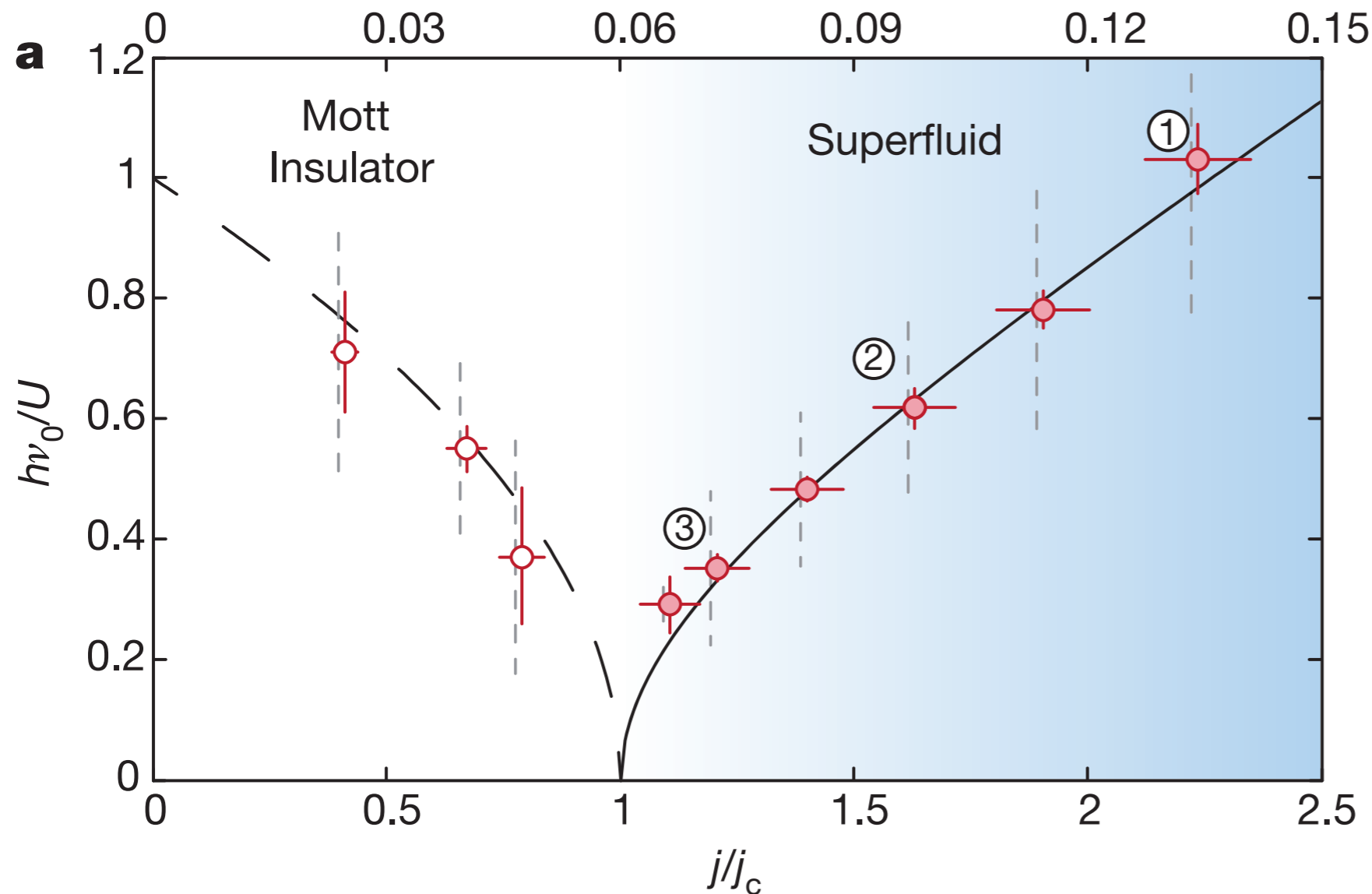
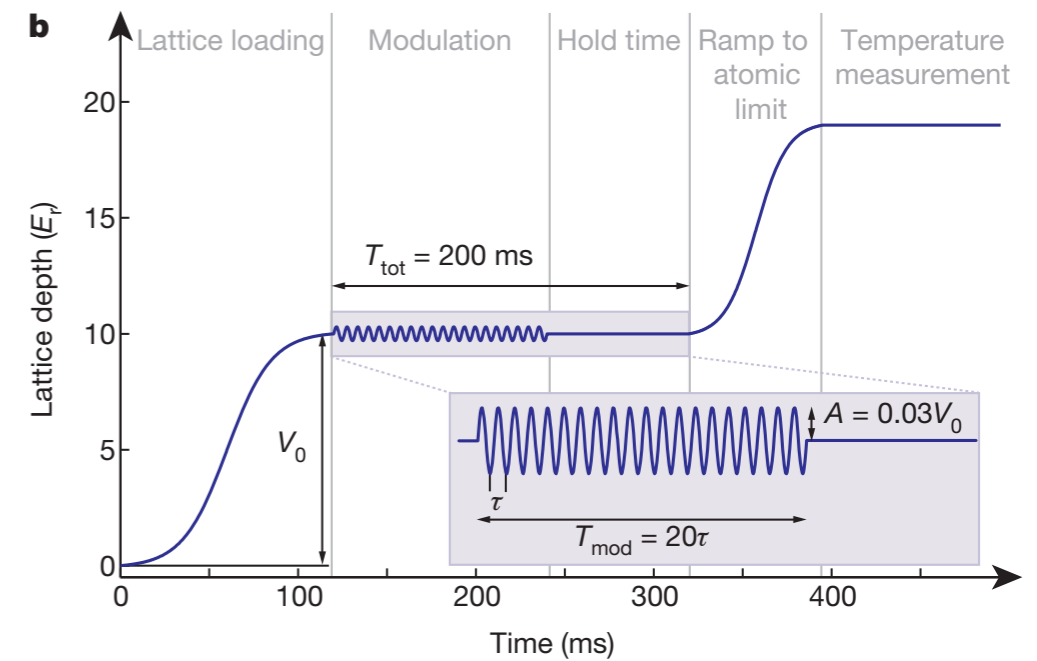
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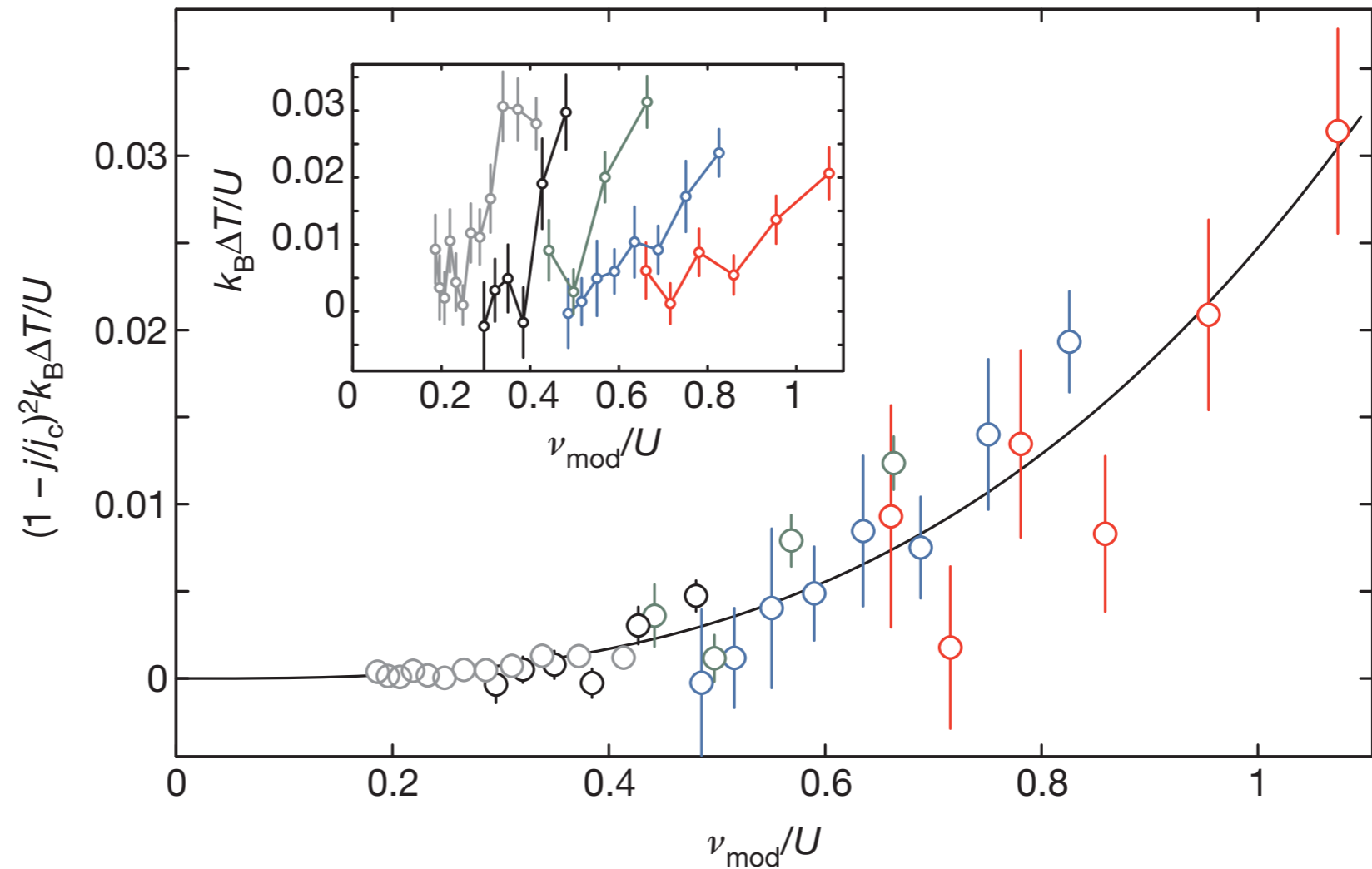


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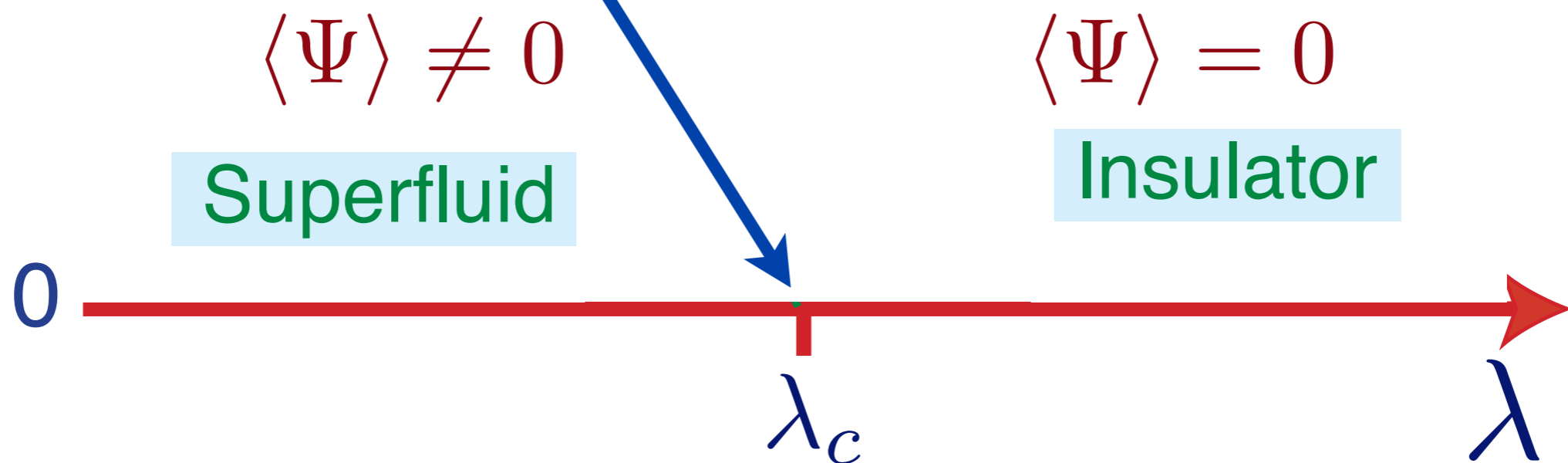
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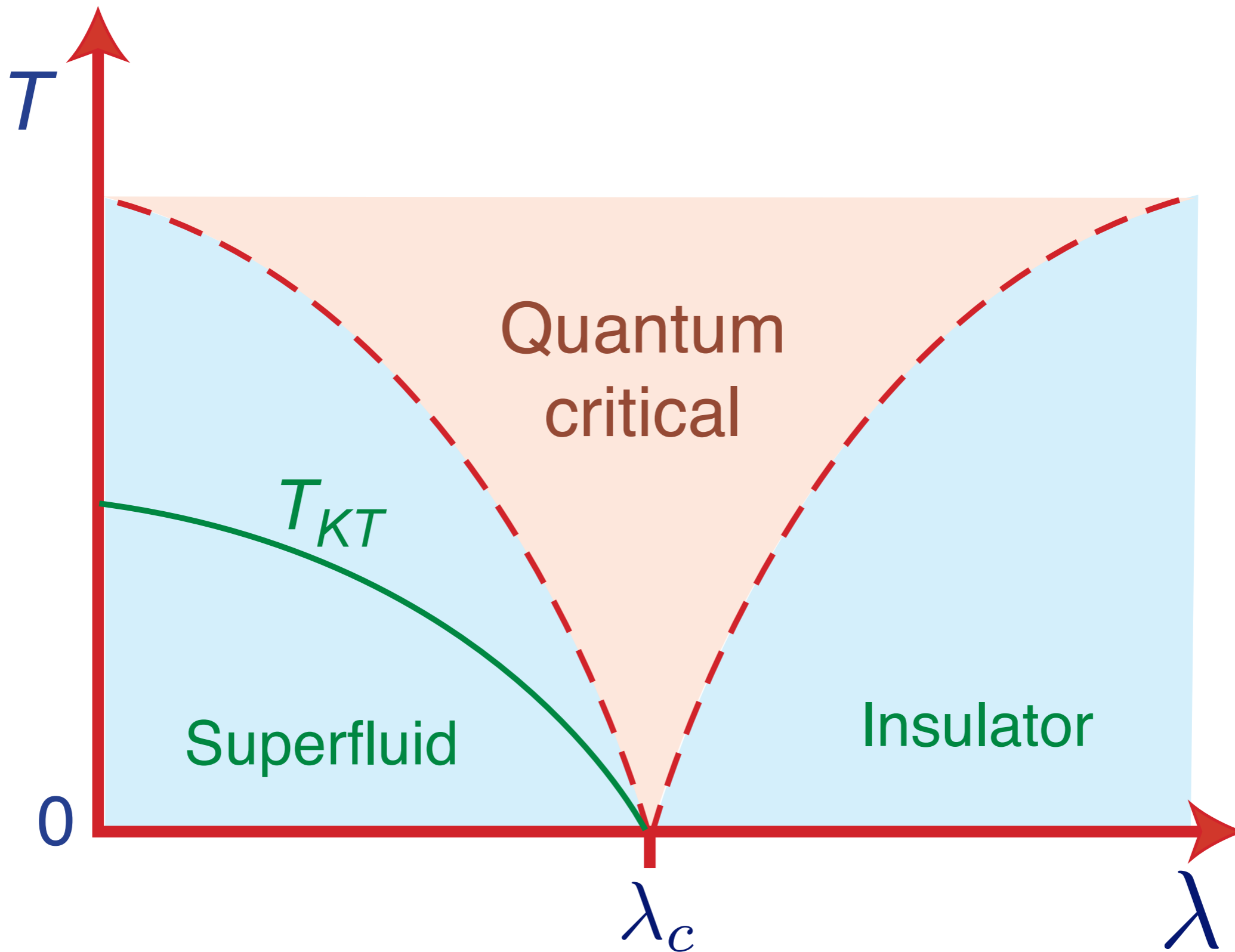
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$$\mathcal{S} = \int d^2r d\tau [|\partial_\tau \Psi|^2 + c^2 |\nabla_r \Psi|^2 + V(\Psi)]$$

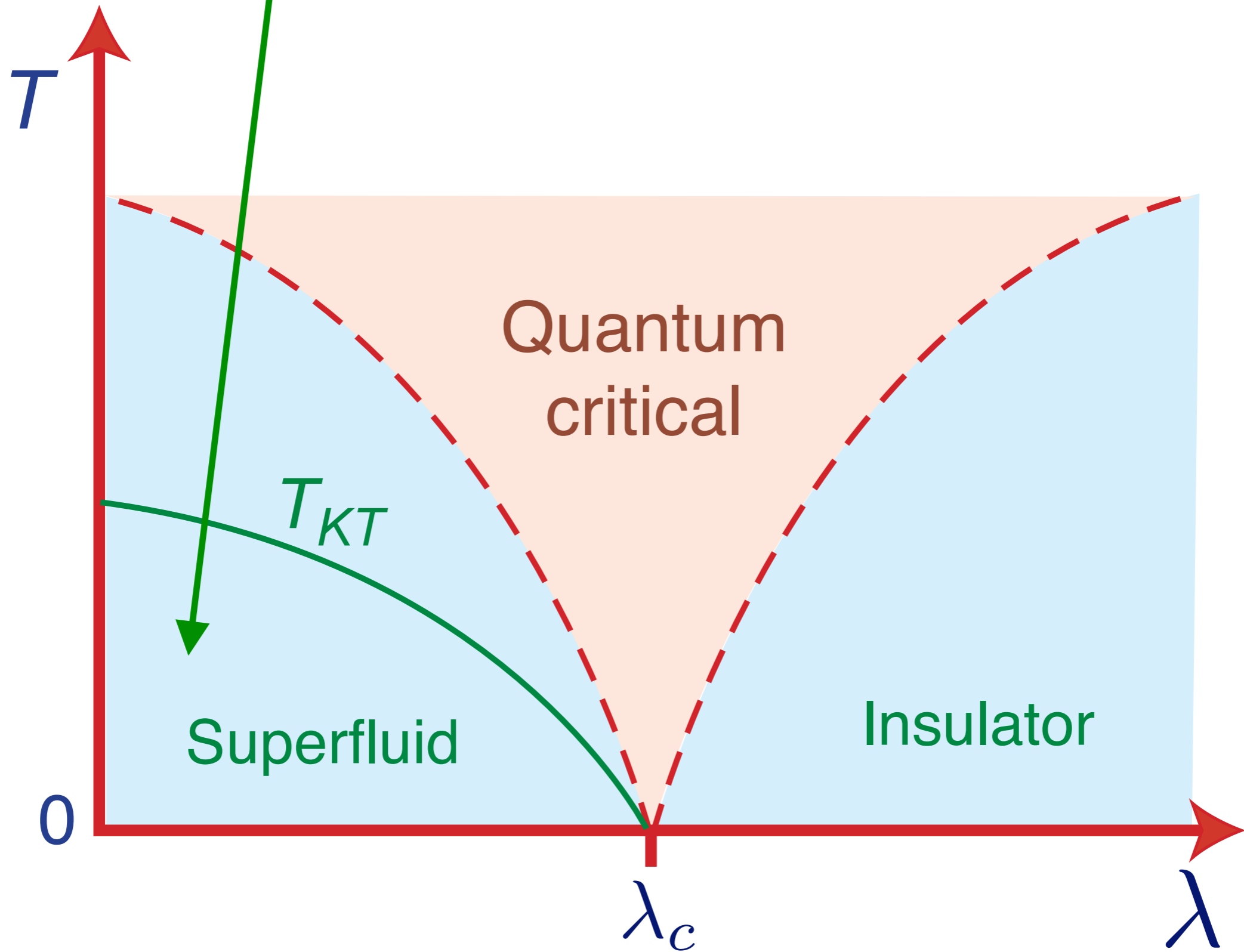
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A conformal field theory
in 2+1 spacetime dimensions:
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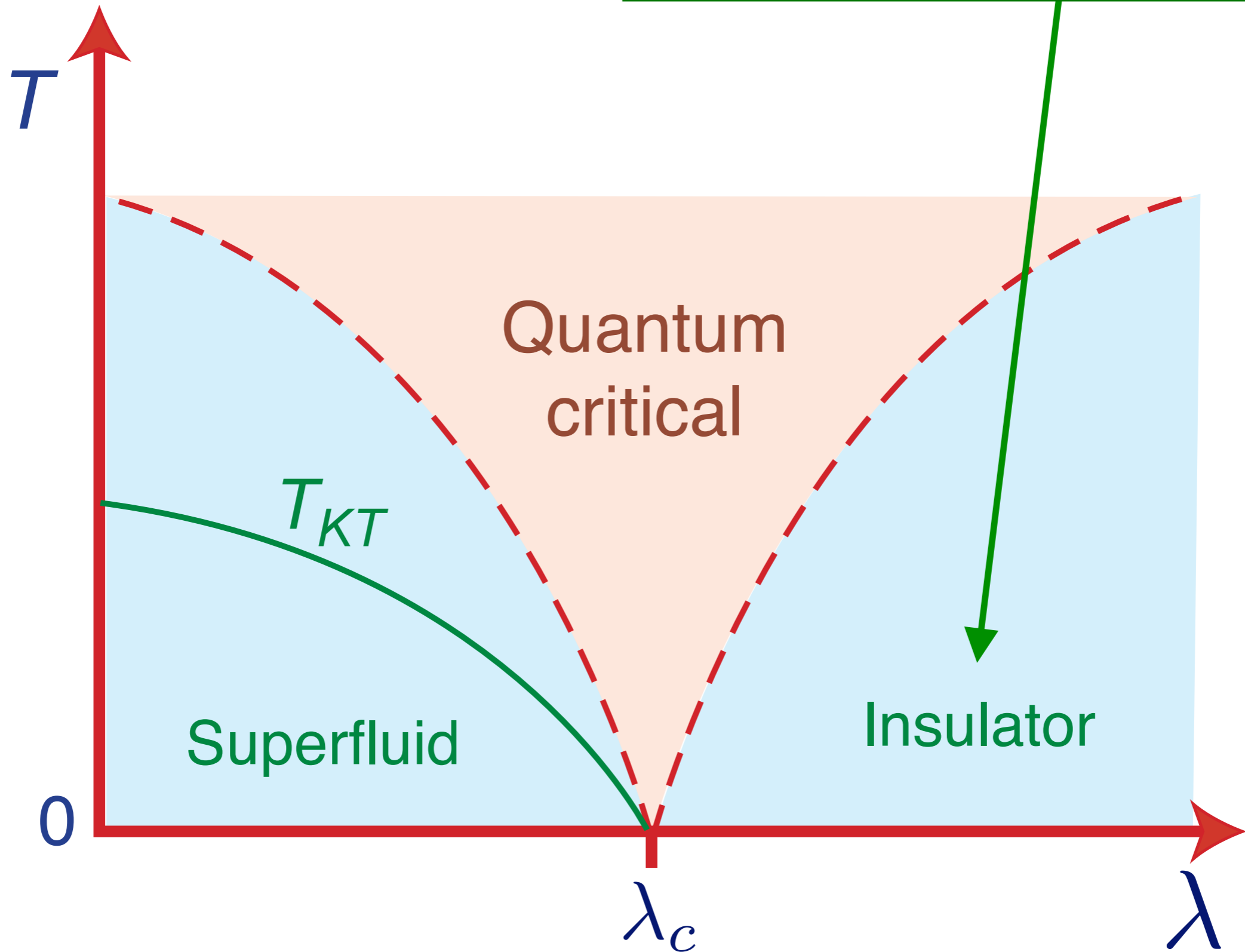


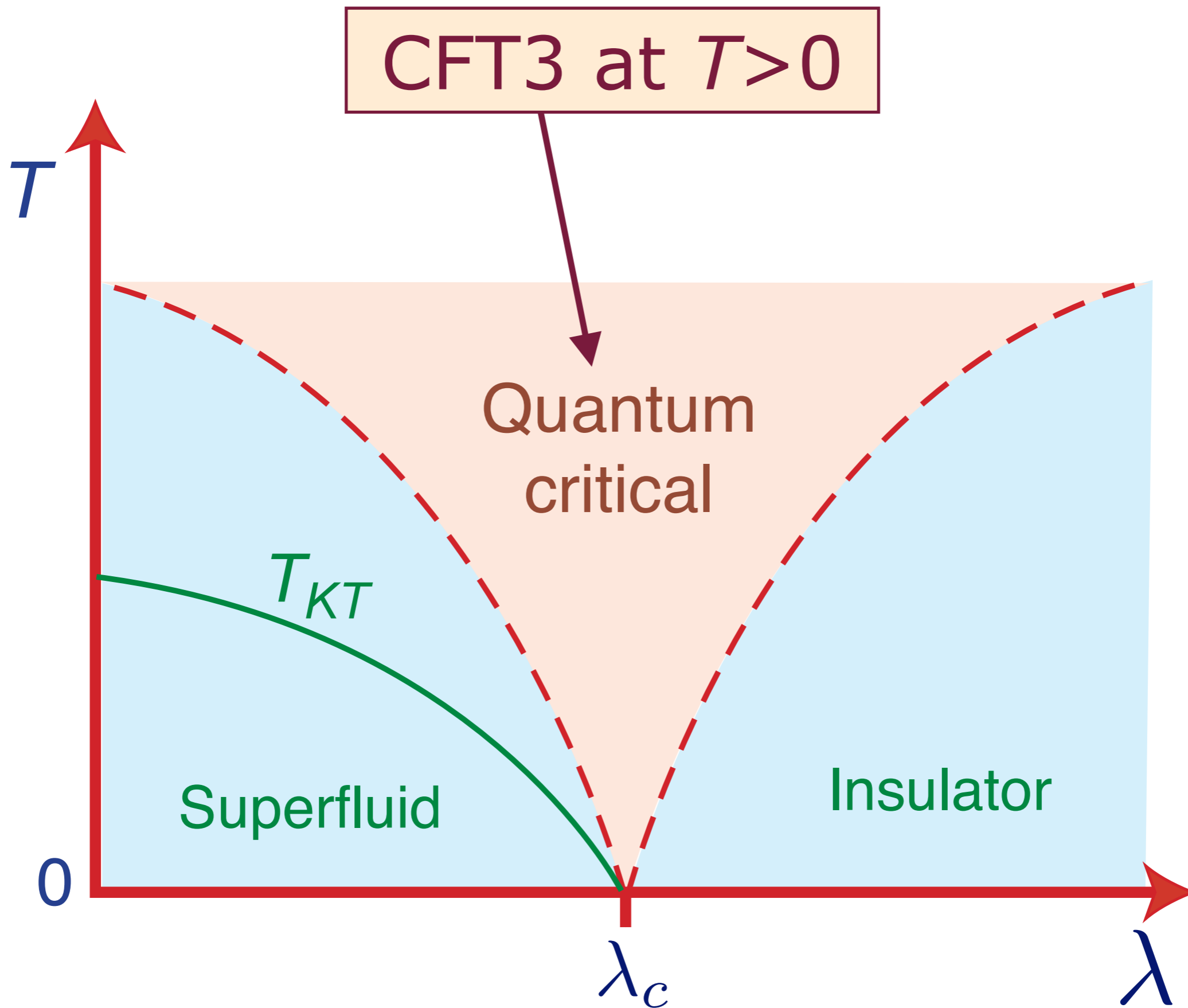


Classical vortices and Goldstone oscillations



Classical Boltzmann gas
of particles and holes





Quantum critical dynamics

Quantum “*nearly perfect fluid*”
with shortest possible local equilibration time, τ_{eq}

$$\tau_{\text{eq}} = \mathcal{C} \frac{\hbar}{k_B T}$$

where \mathcal{C} is a *universal* constant.

Response functions are characterized by poles in LHP
with $\omega \sim k_B T / \hbar$
(analogous of Higgs quasi-normal mode.)

Quantum critical dynamics

Transport co-efficients not determined
by collision rate, but by
universal constants of nature

Conductivity

$$\sigma = \frac{Q^2}{h} \times [\text{Universal constant } \mathcal{O}(1)]$$

(Q is the “charge” of one boson)

M.P.A. Fisher, G. Grinstein, and S.M. Girvin, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **64**, 587 (1990)

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$$\frac{\eta}{s} \equiv \frac{\text{viscosity}}{\text{entropy density}}$$
$$= \frac{\hbar}{k_B} \times [\text{Universal constant } \mathcal{O}(1)]$$

Quantum critical dynamics

Describe charge transport using Boltzmann theory of interacting bosons:

$$\frac{dv}{dt} + \frac{v}{\tau_c} = F.$$

This gives a frequency (ω) dependent conductivity

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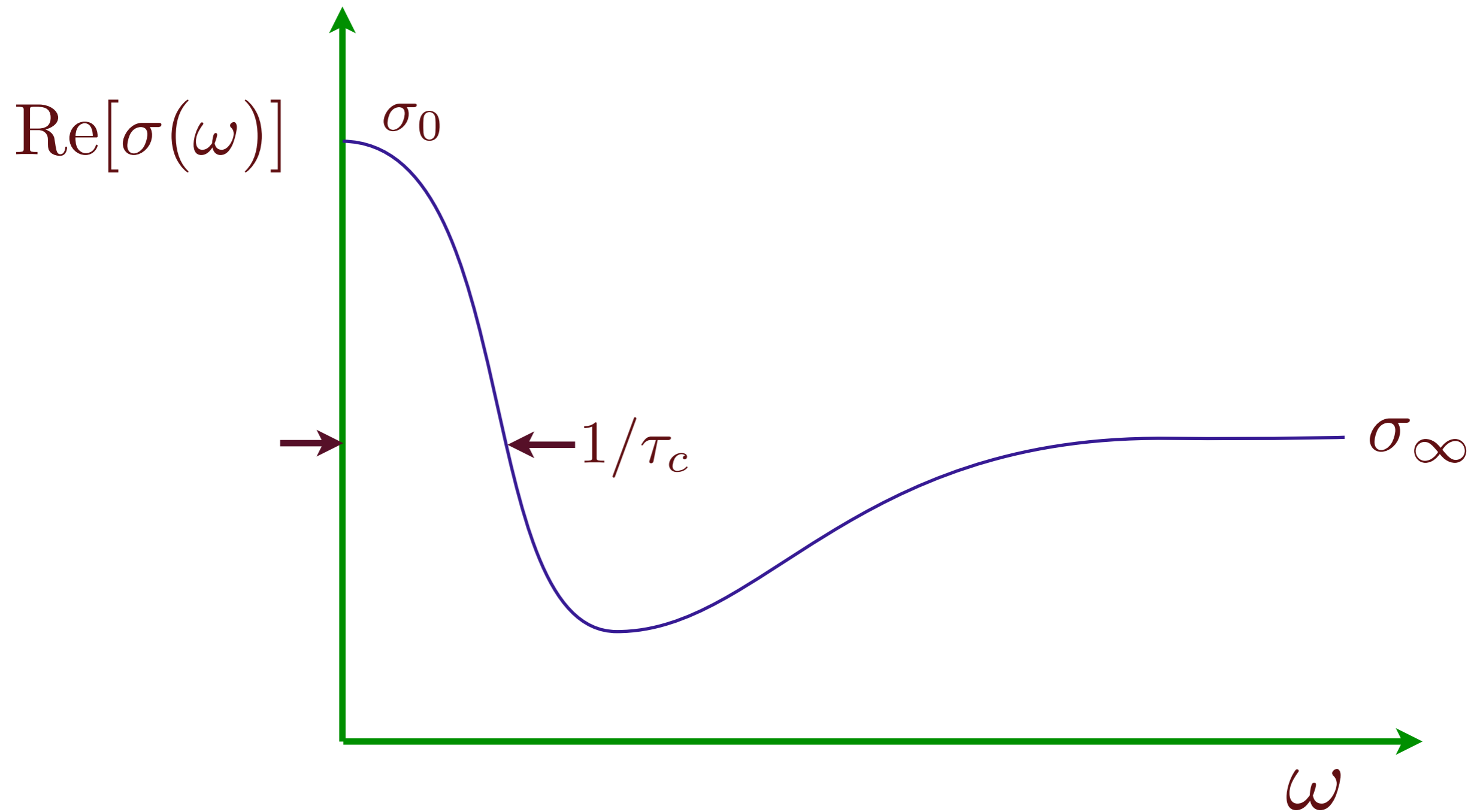
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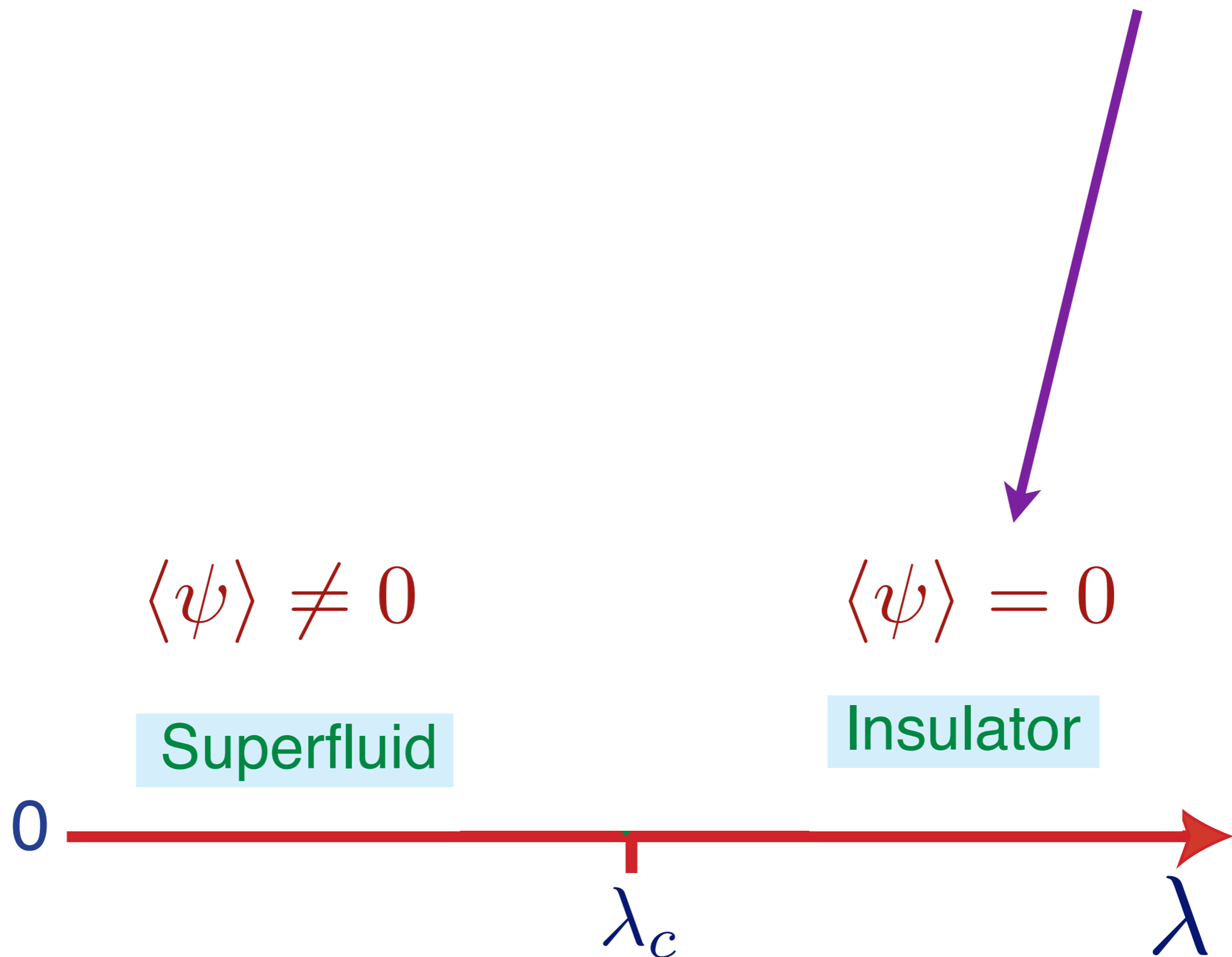
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Also, we have $\sigma(\omega \rightarrow \infty) = \sigma_\infty$, associated with the density of states for particle-hole creation (the “optical conductivity”) in the CFT3.

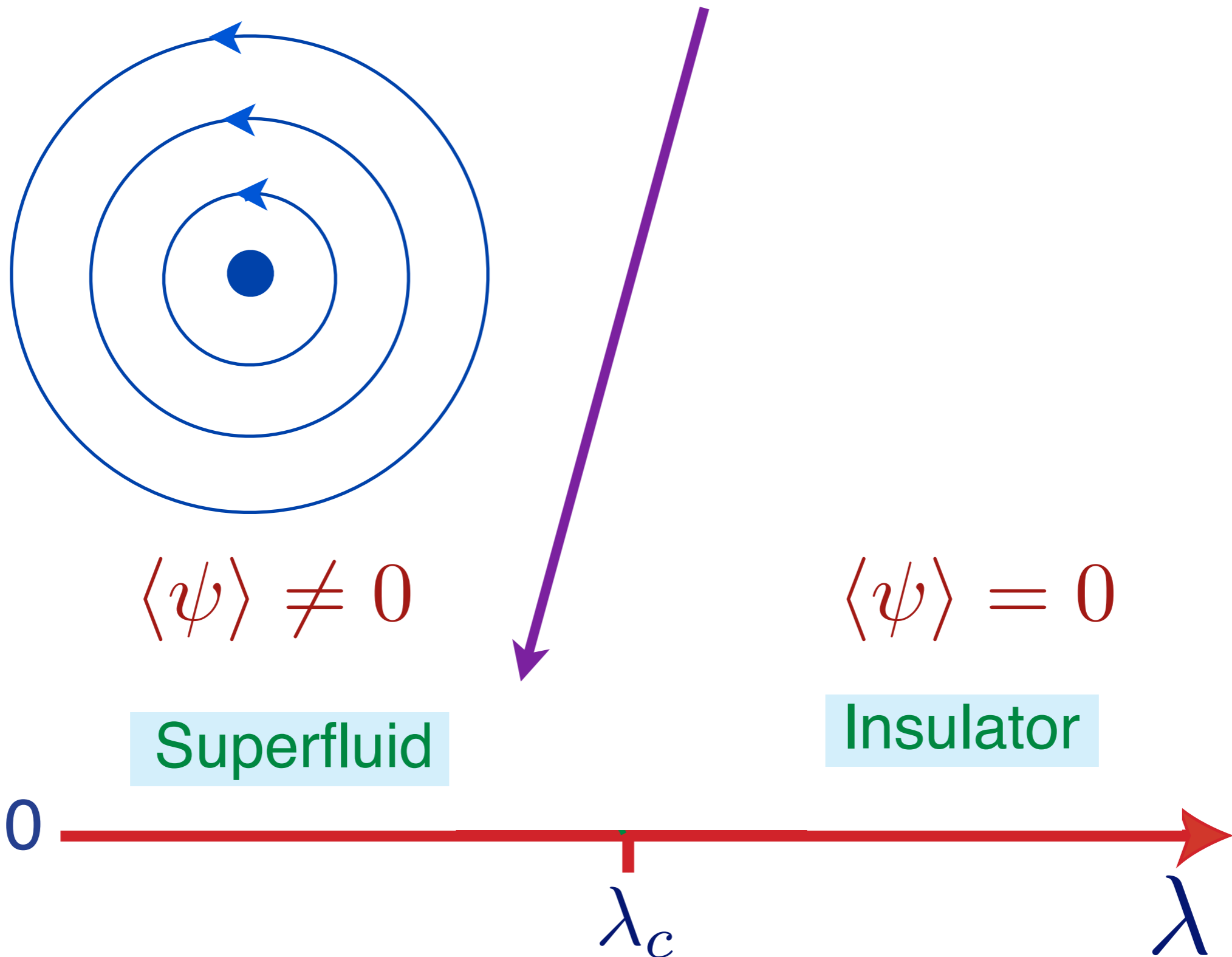
Boltzmann theory of bosons



So far, we have described the quantum critical point using the boson particle and hole excitations of the insulator.



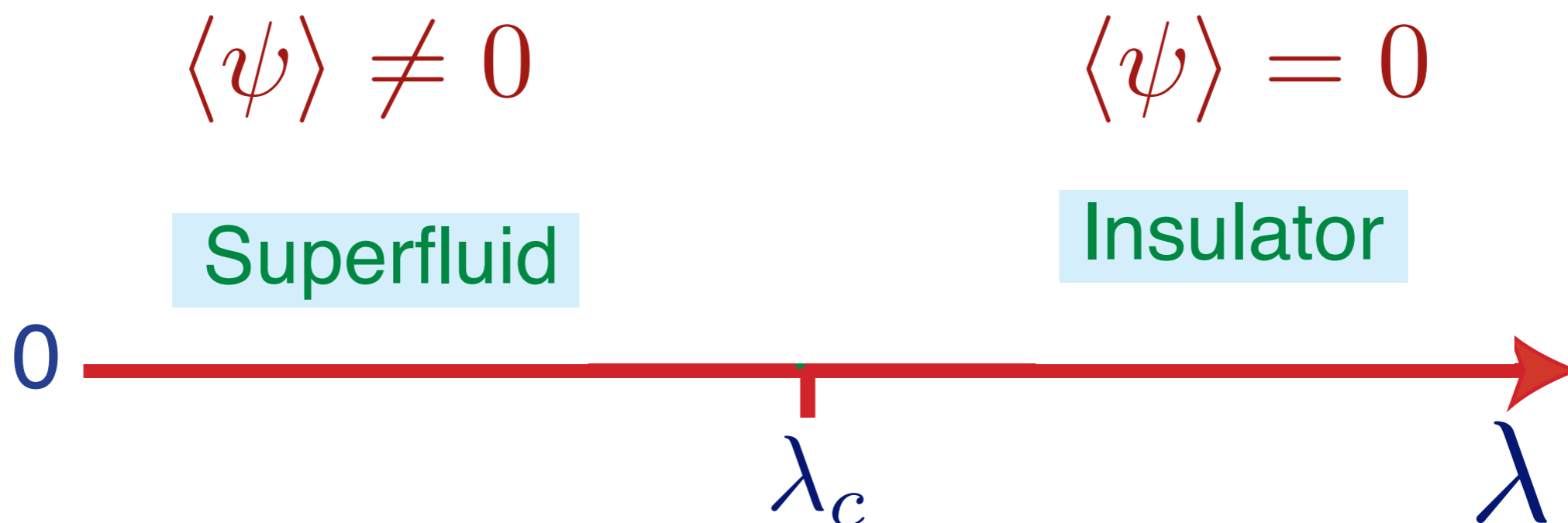
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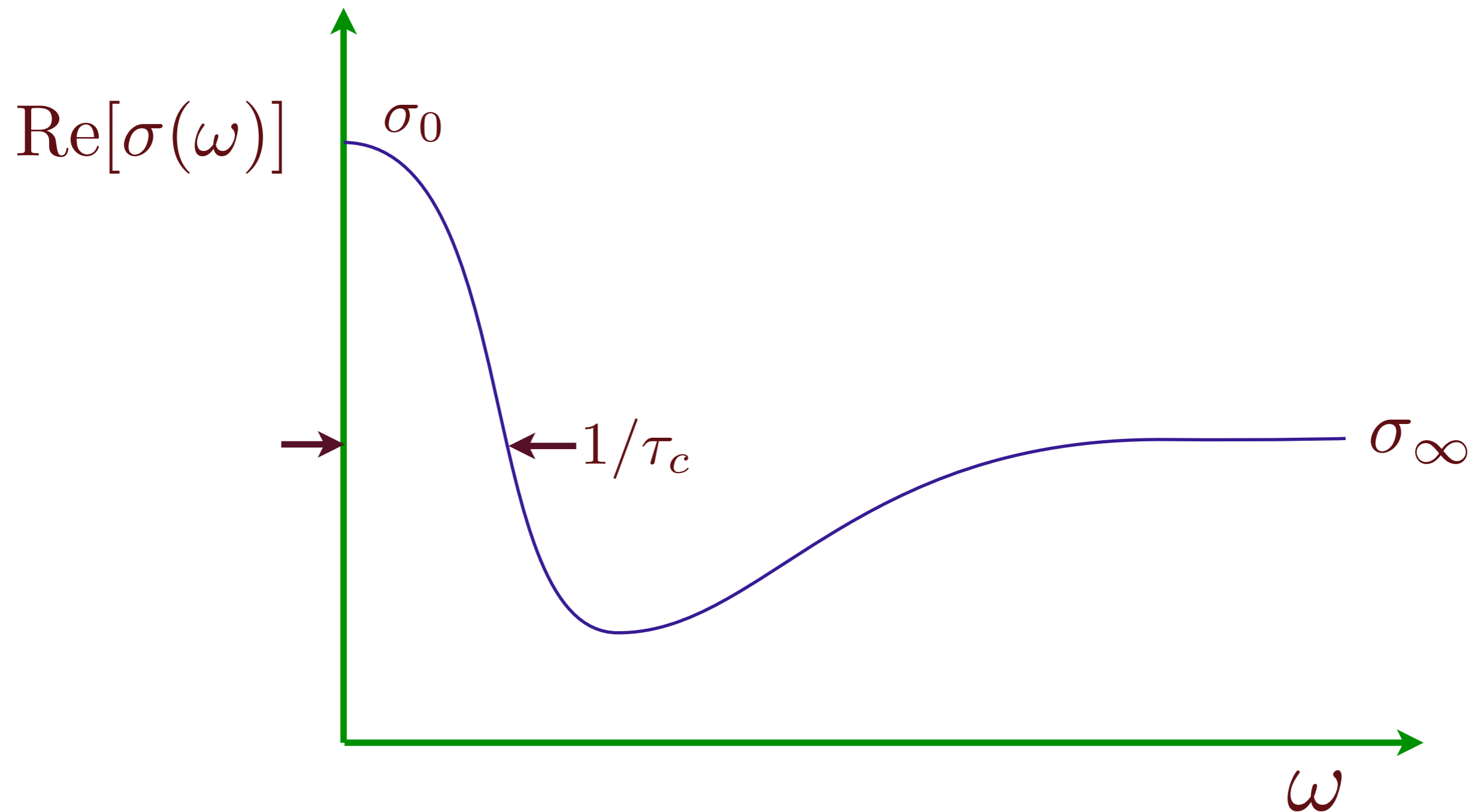
These are quantum particles (in 2+1 dimensions) which described by a (mirror/e.m.) “dual” CFT3 with an emergent U(1) gauge field. Their $T > 0$ dynamics can also be described by a Boltzmann equation:

Conductivity = Resistivity of vortices

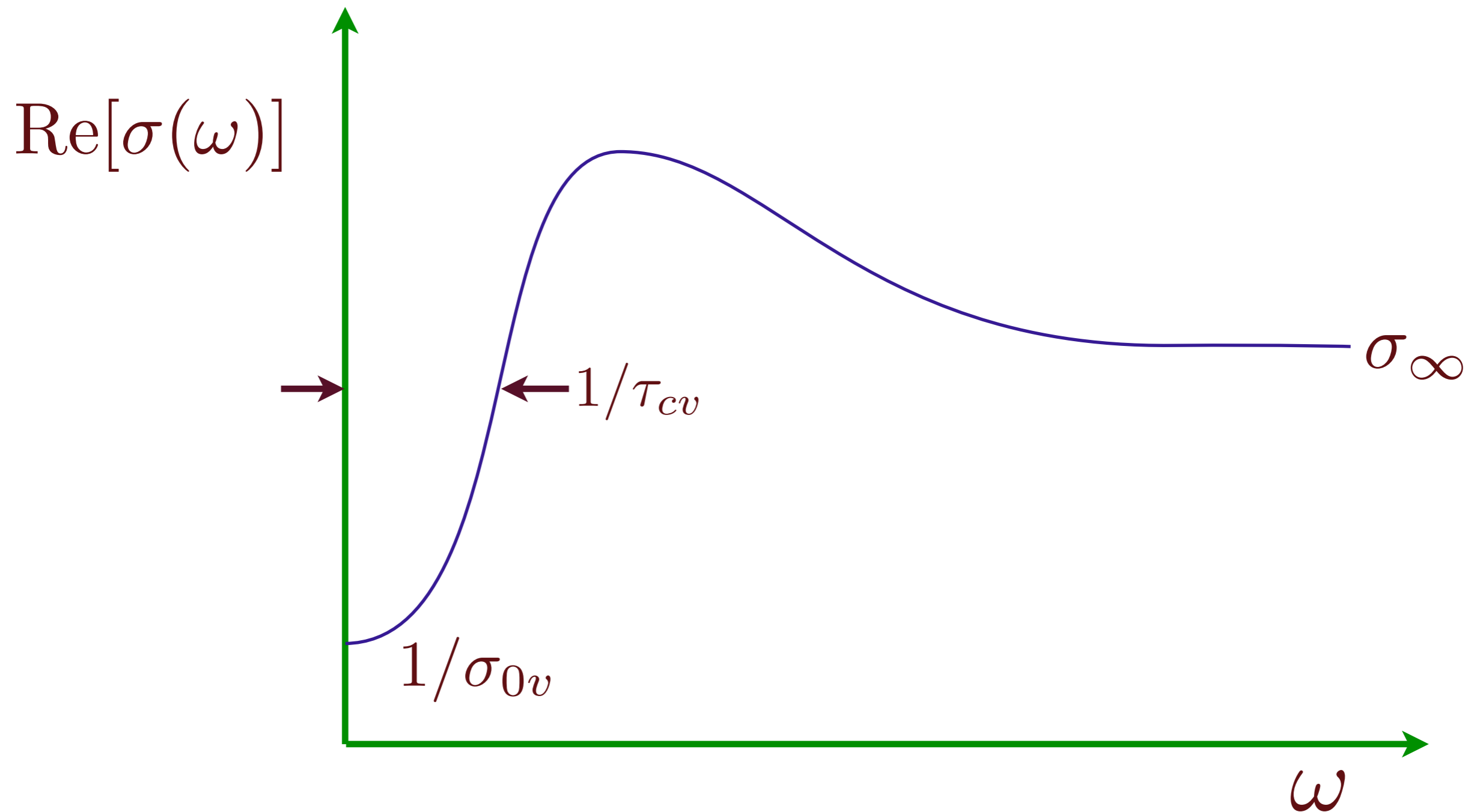


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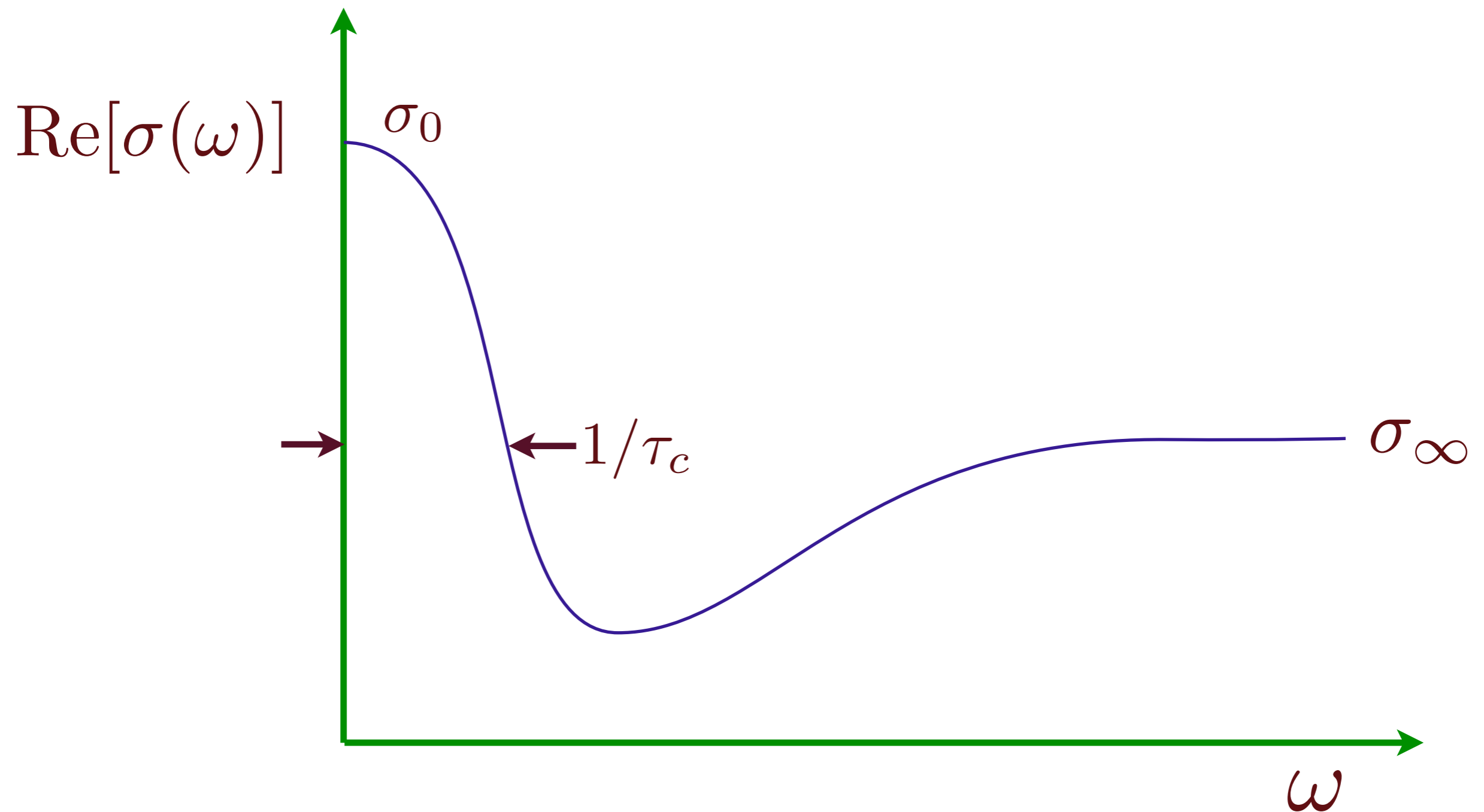
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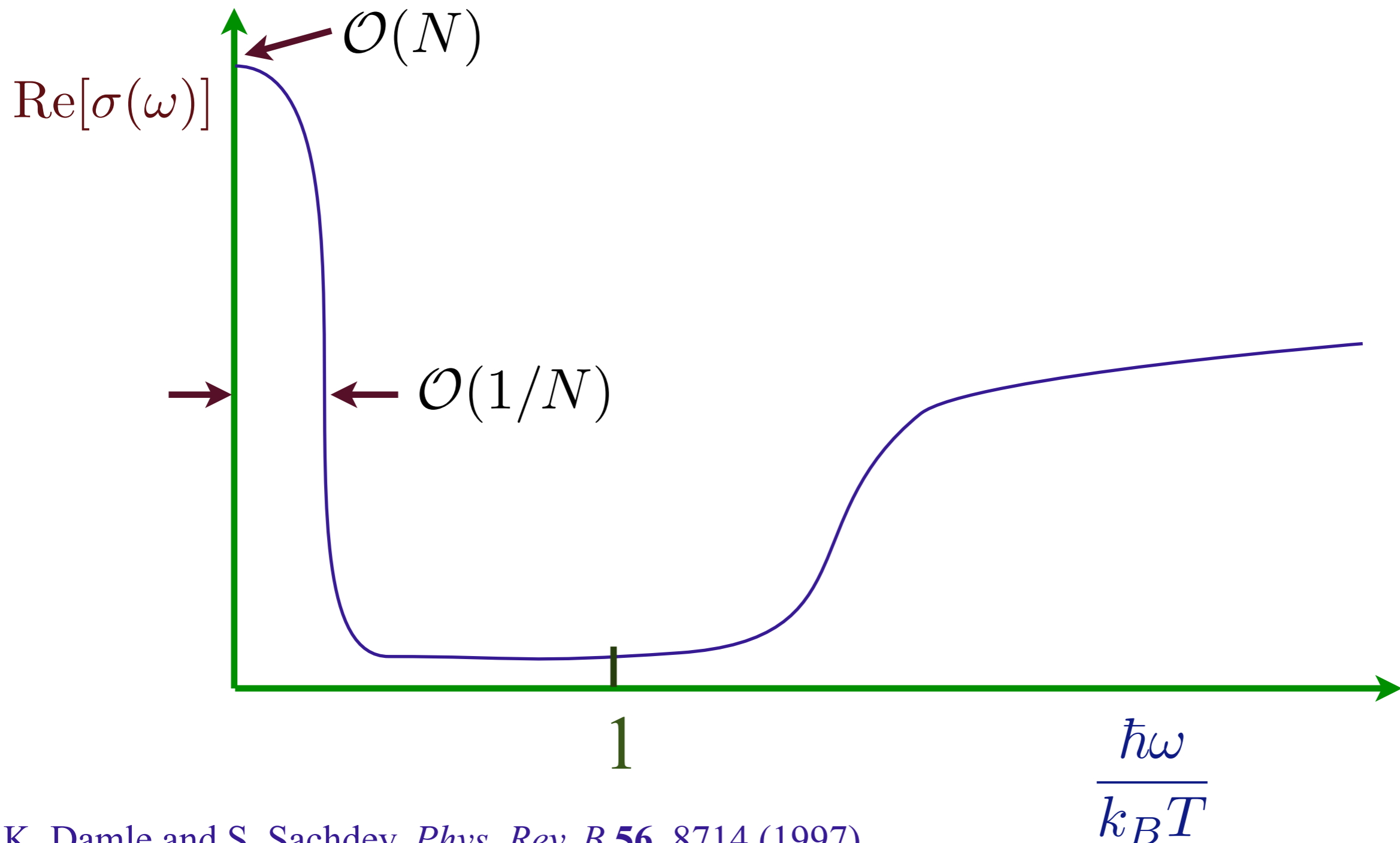


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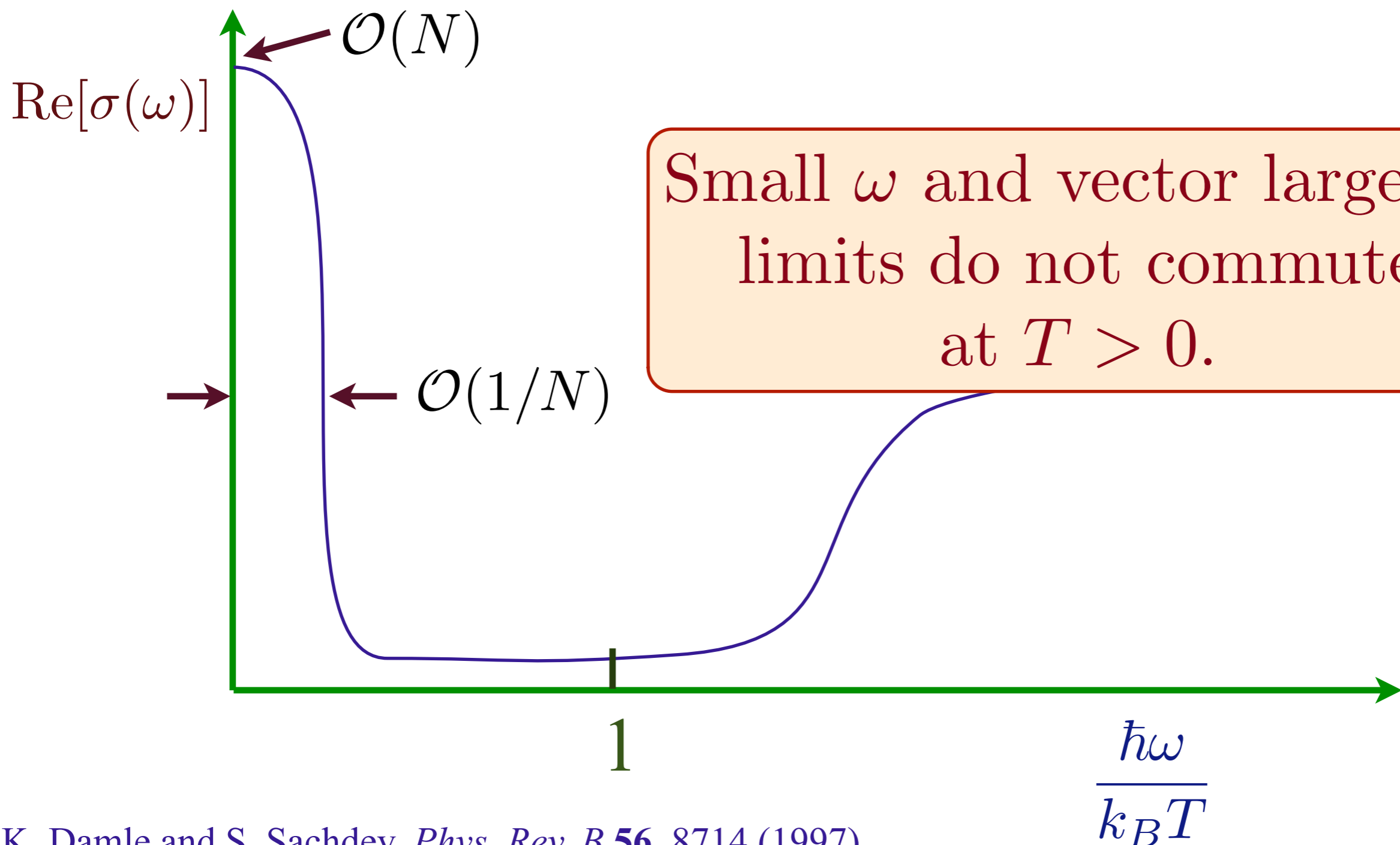
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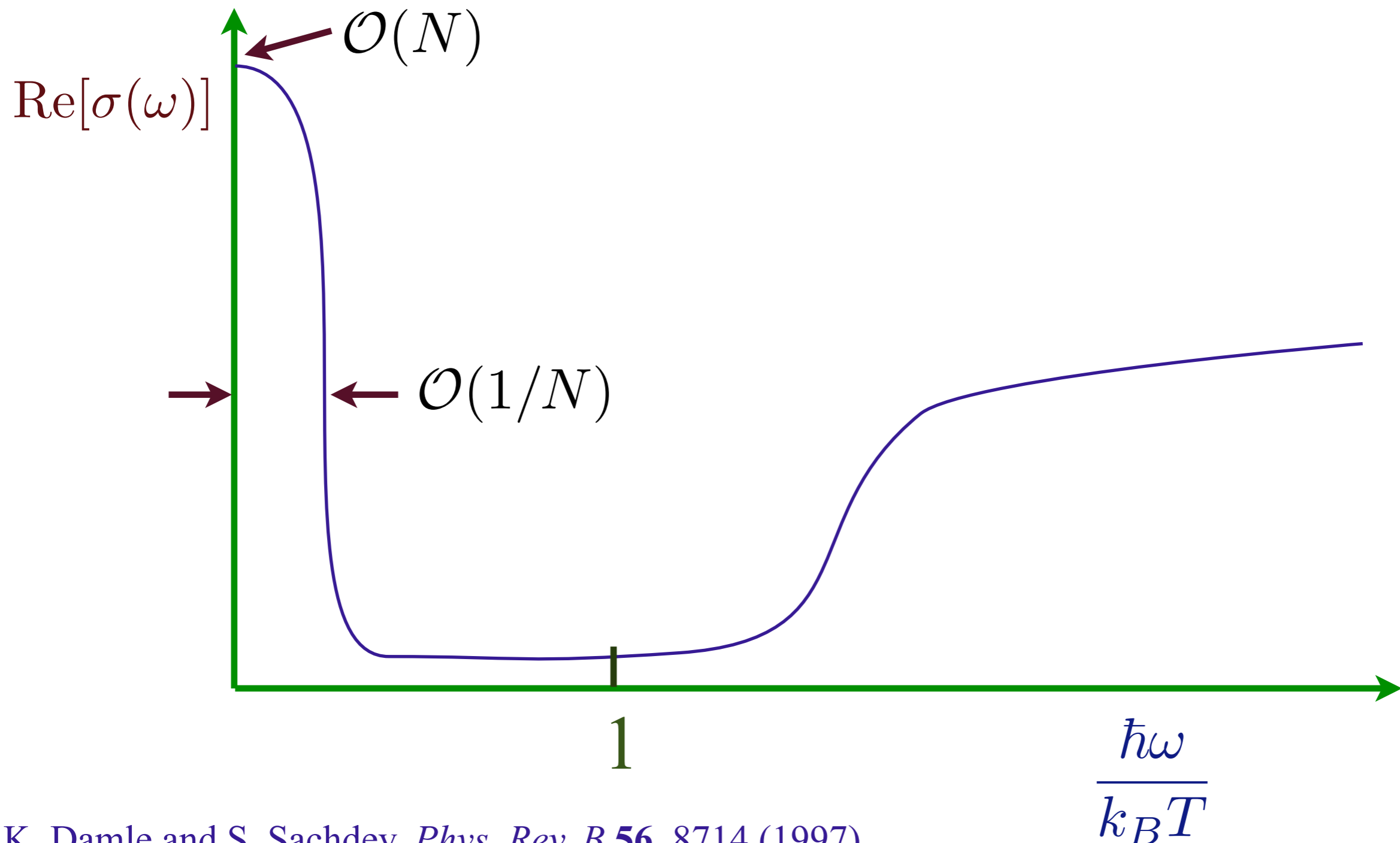
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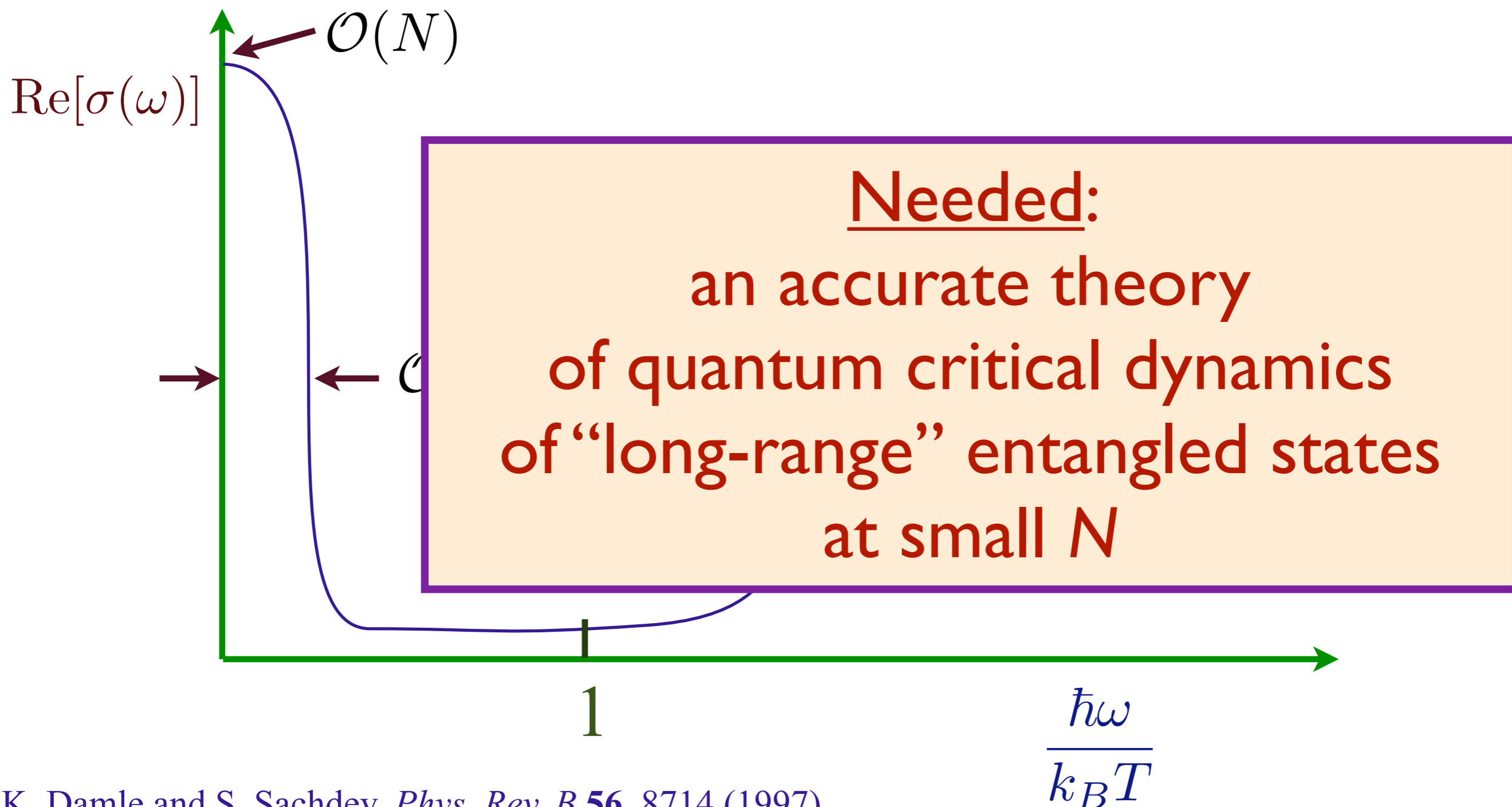
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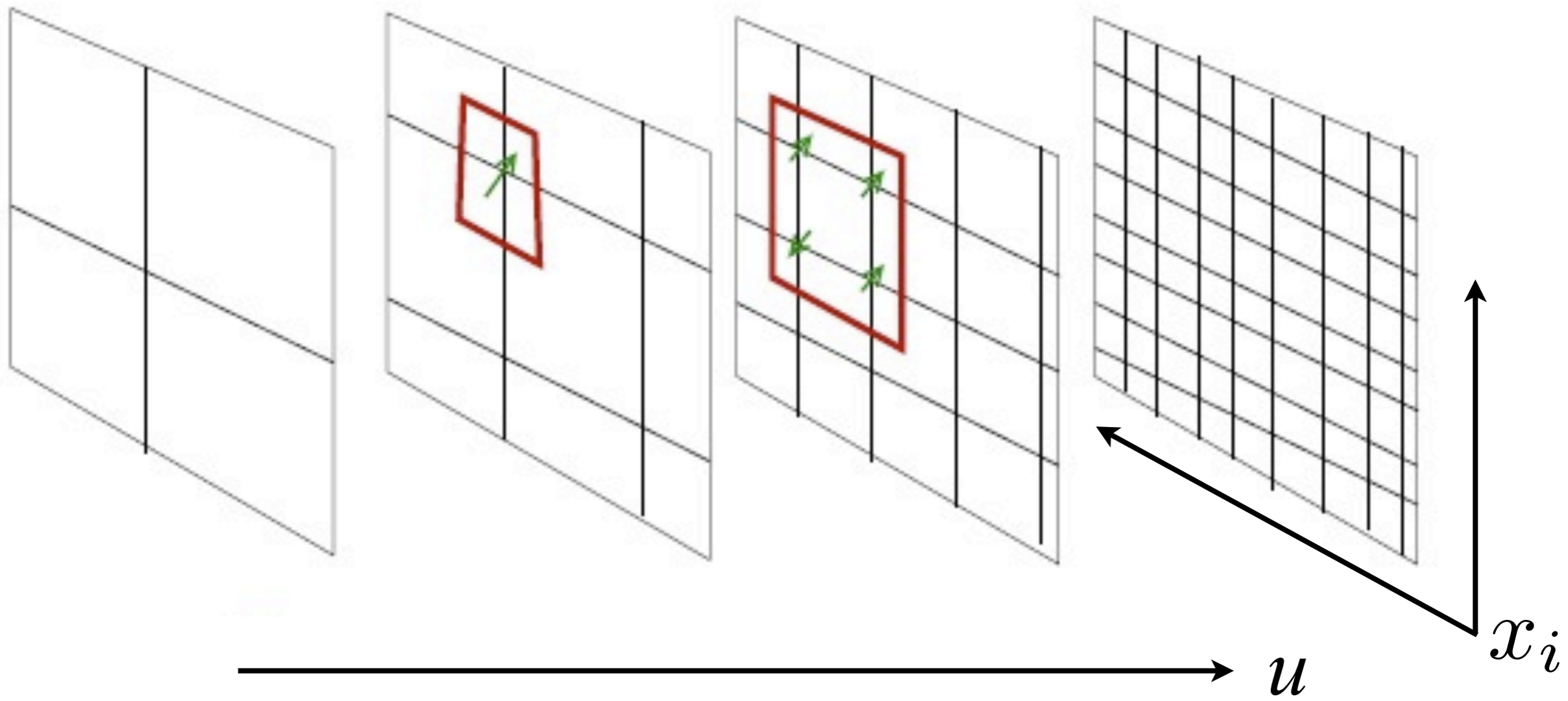
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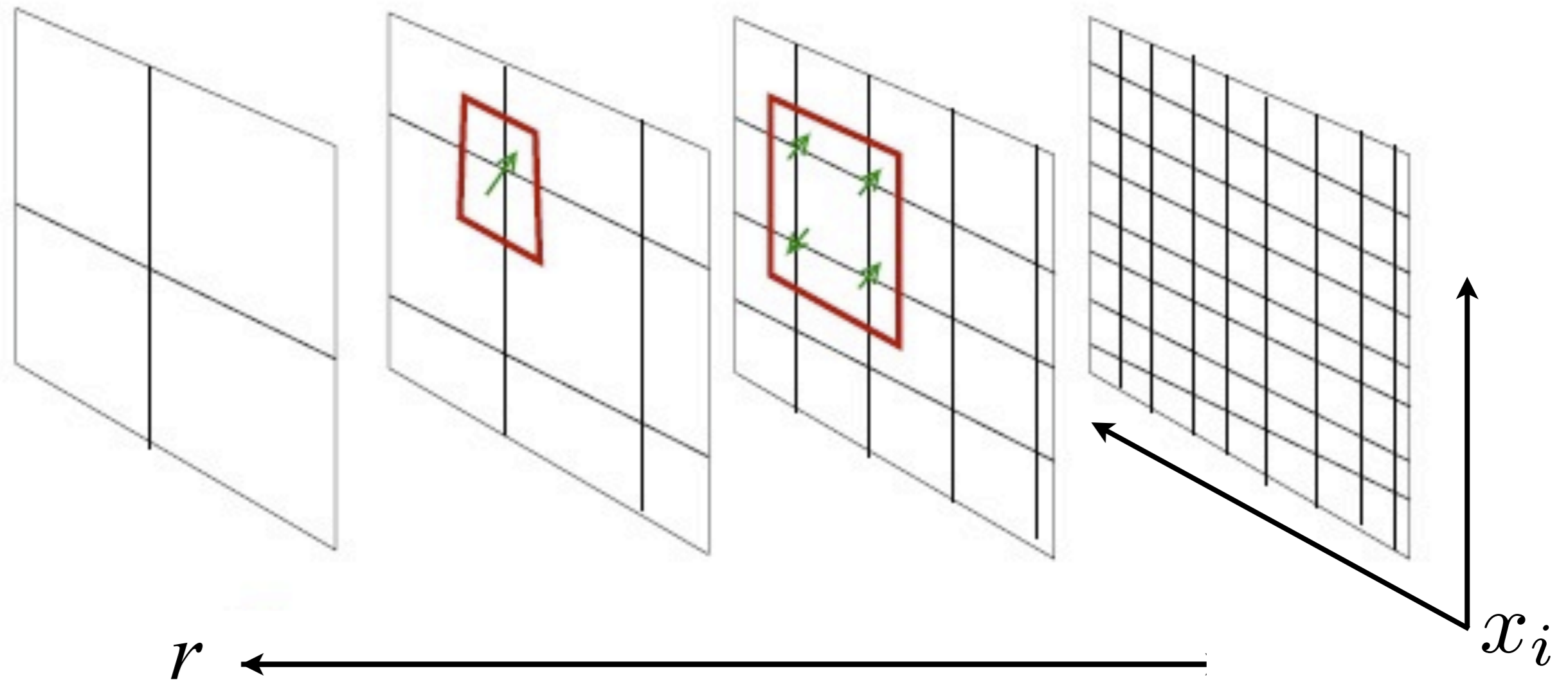
Field theories in $d + 1$ spacetime dimensions are characterized by couplings g which obey the renormalization group equation

$$u \frac{dg}{du} = \beta(g)$$

where u is the energy scale. The RG equation is *local* in energy scale, *i.e.* the RHS does not depend upon u .

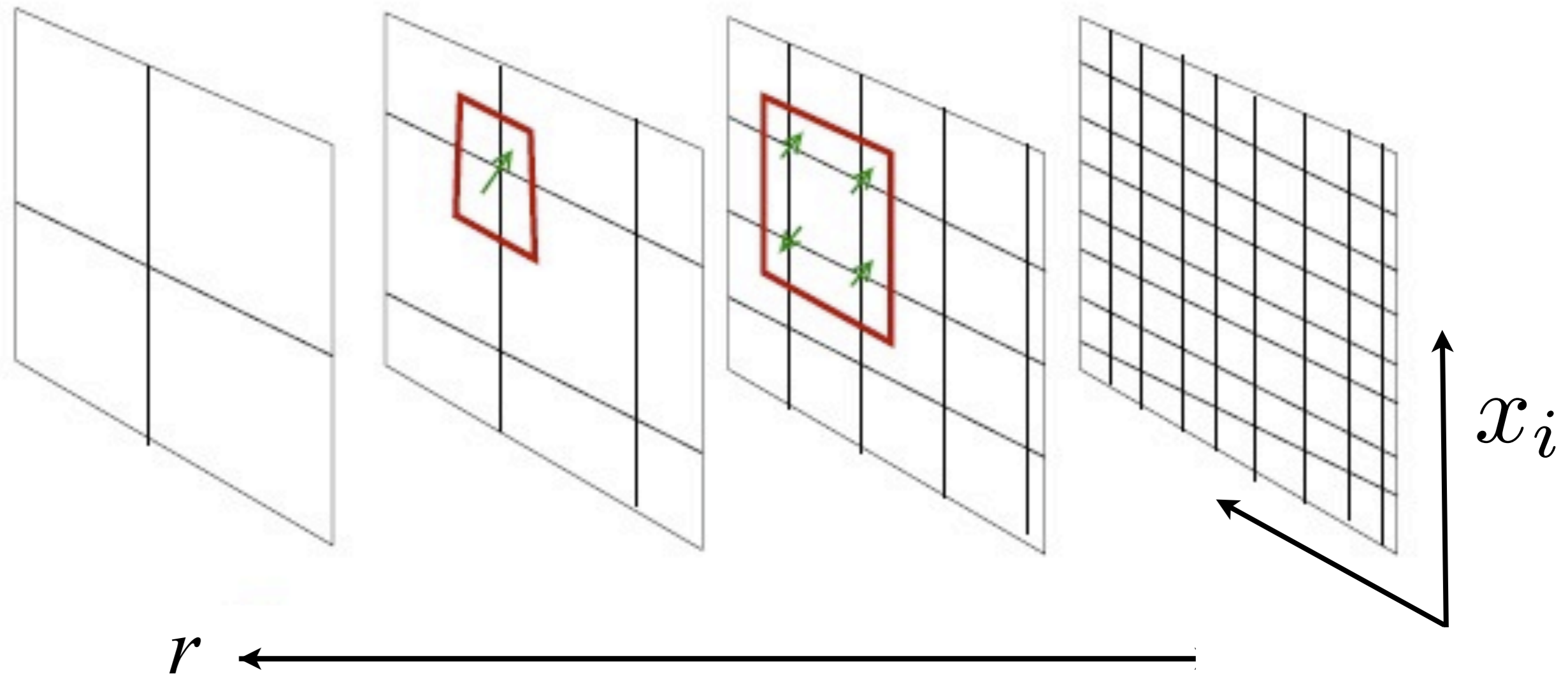


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Key idea: \Rightarrow Implement r as an extra dimension, and map to a local theory in $d + 2$ spacetime dimensions.

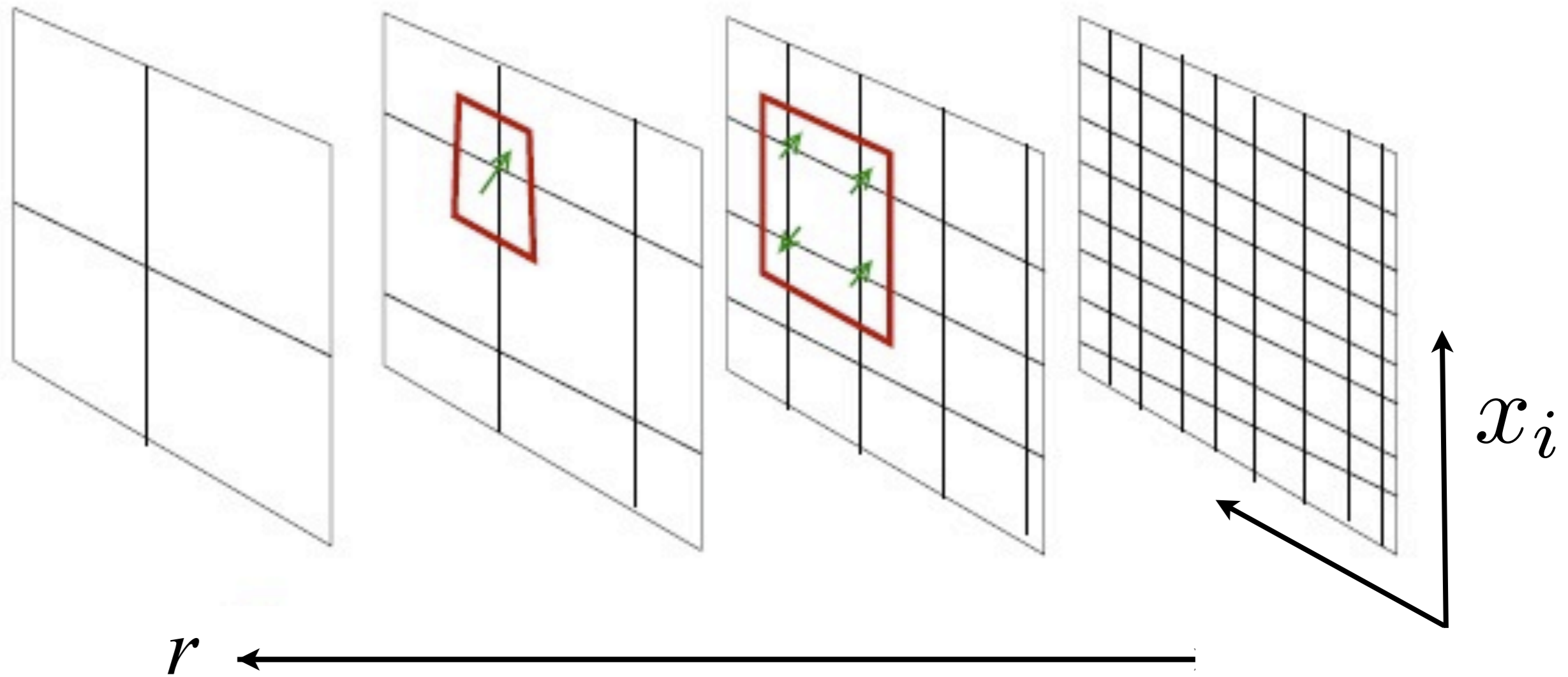
Holography



For a relativistic CFT in d spatial dimensions, the metric in the holographic space is fixed by demanding the scale transformation ($i = 1 \dots d$)

$$x_i \rightarrow \zeta x_i \quad , \quad t \rightarrow \zeta t \quad , \quad ds \rightarrow ds$$

Holography

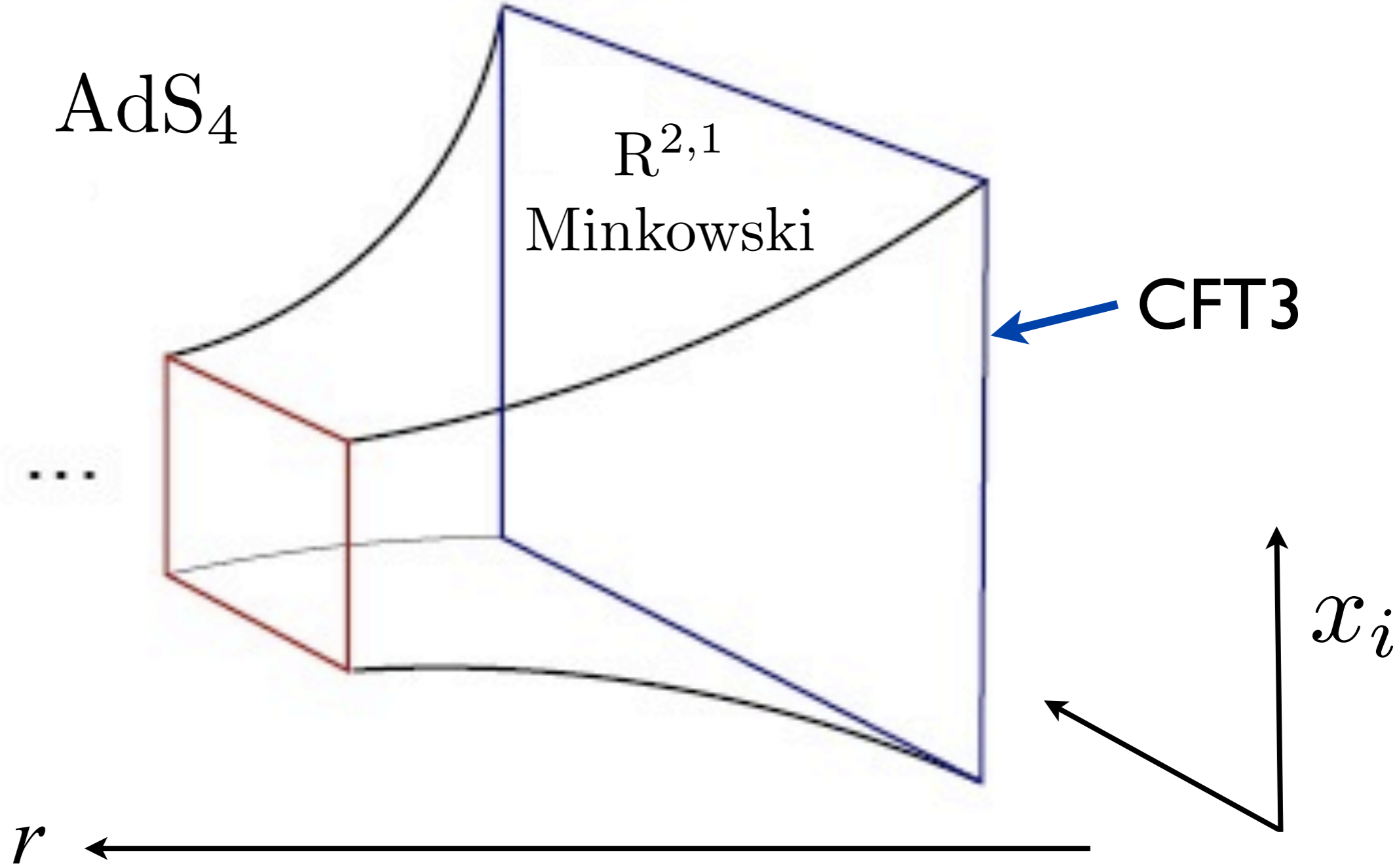


This gives the unique metric

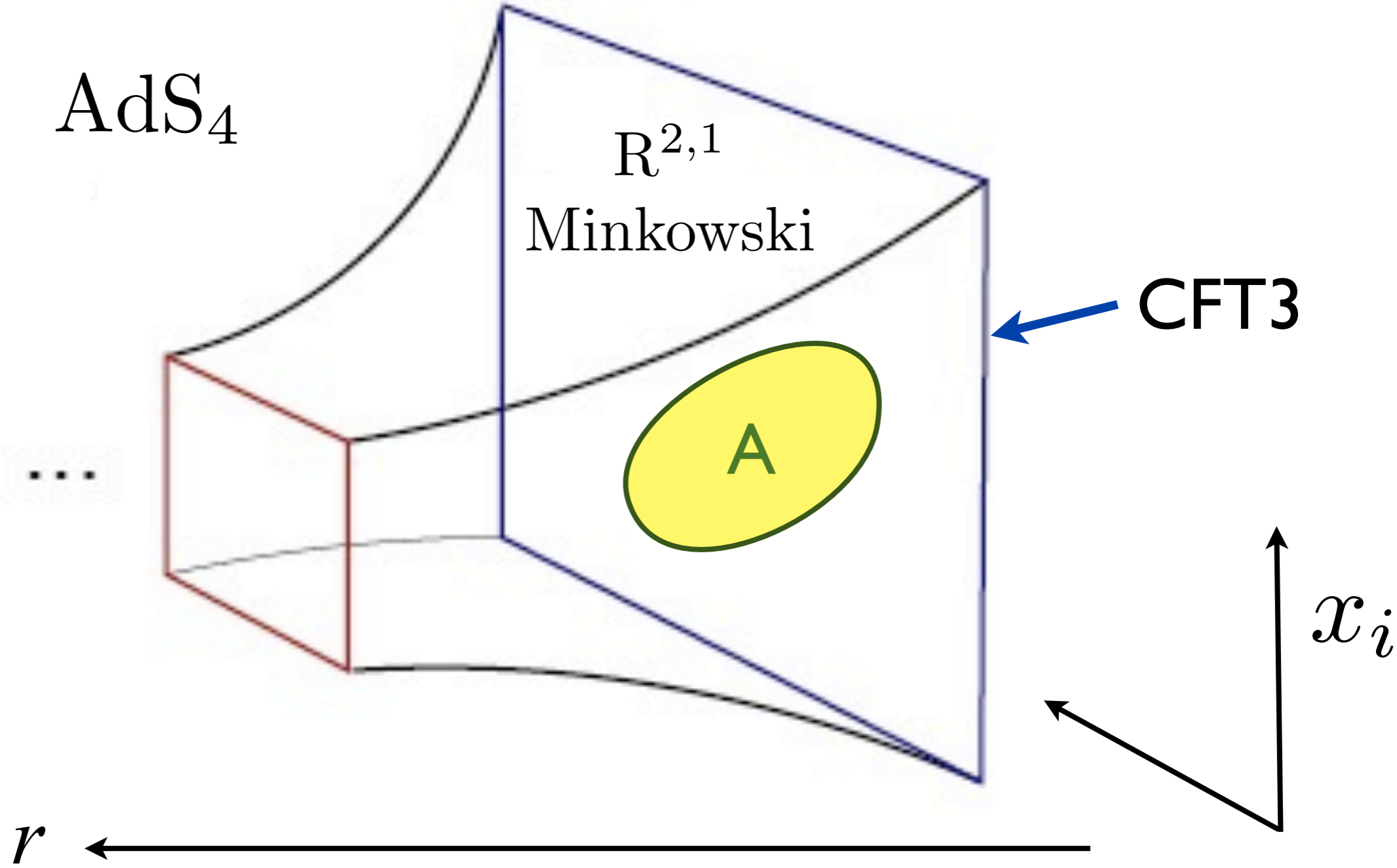
$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{r^2} (-dt^2 + dr^2 + dx_i^2)$$

This is the metric of anti-de Sitter space AdS_{d+2} .

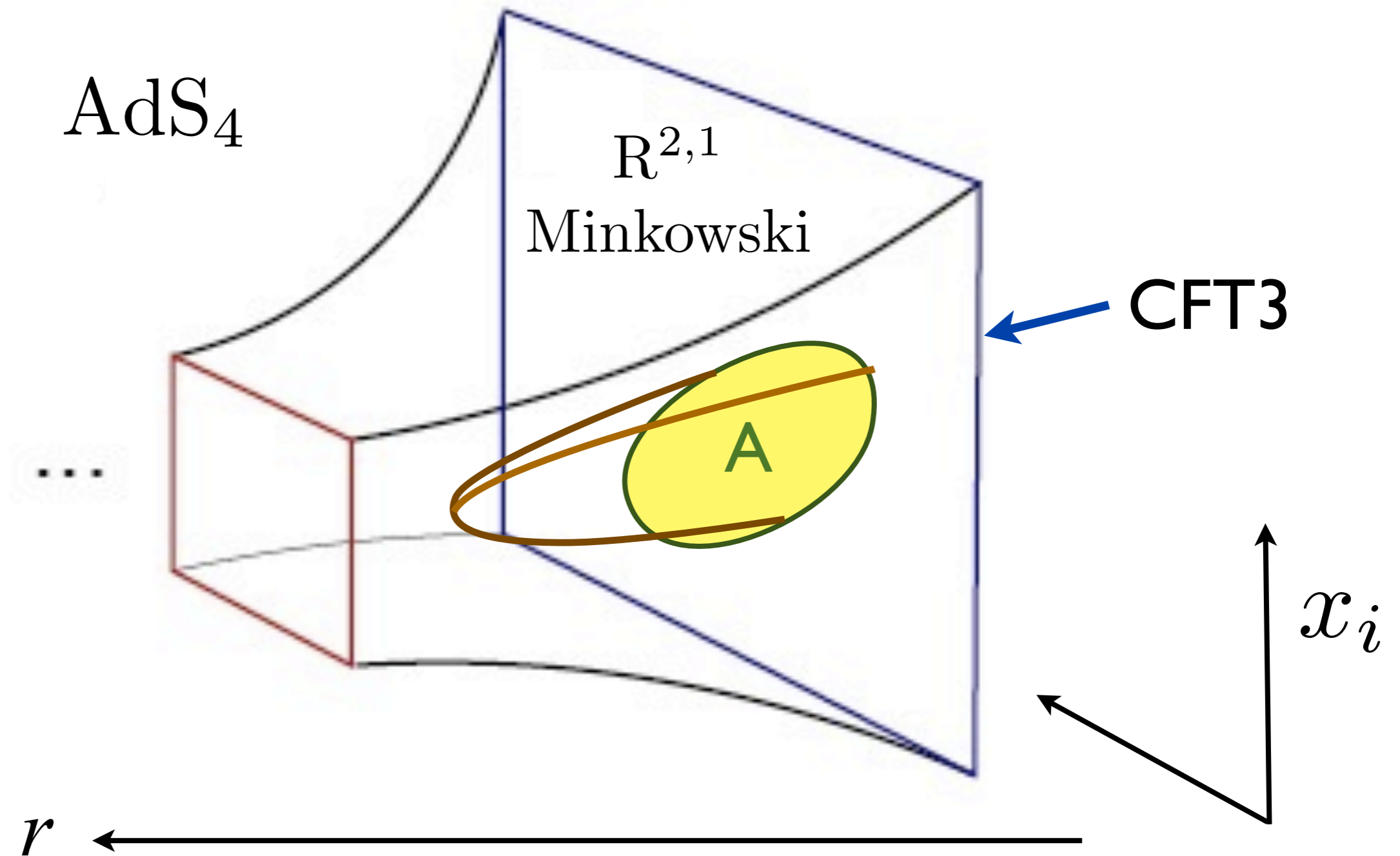
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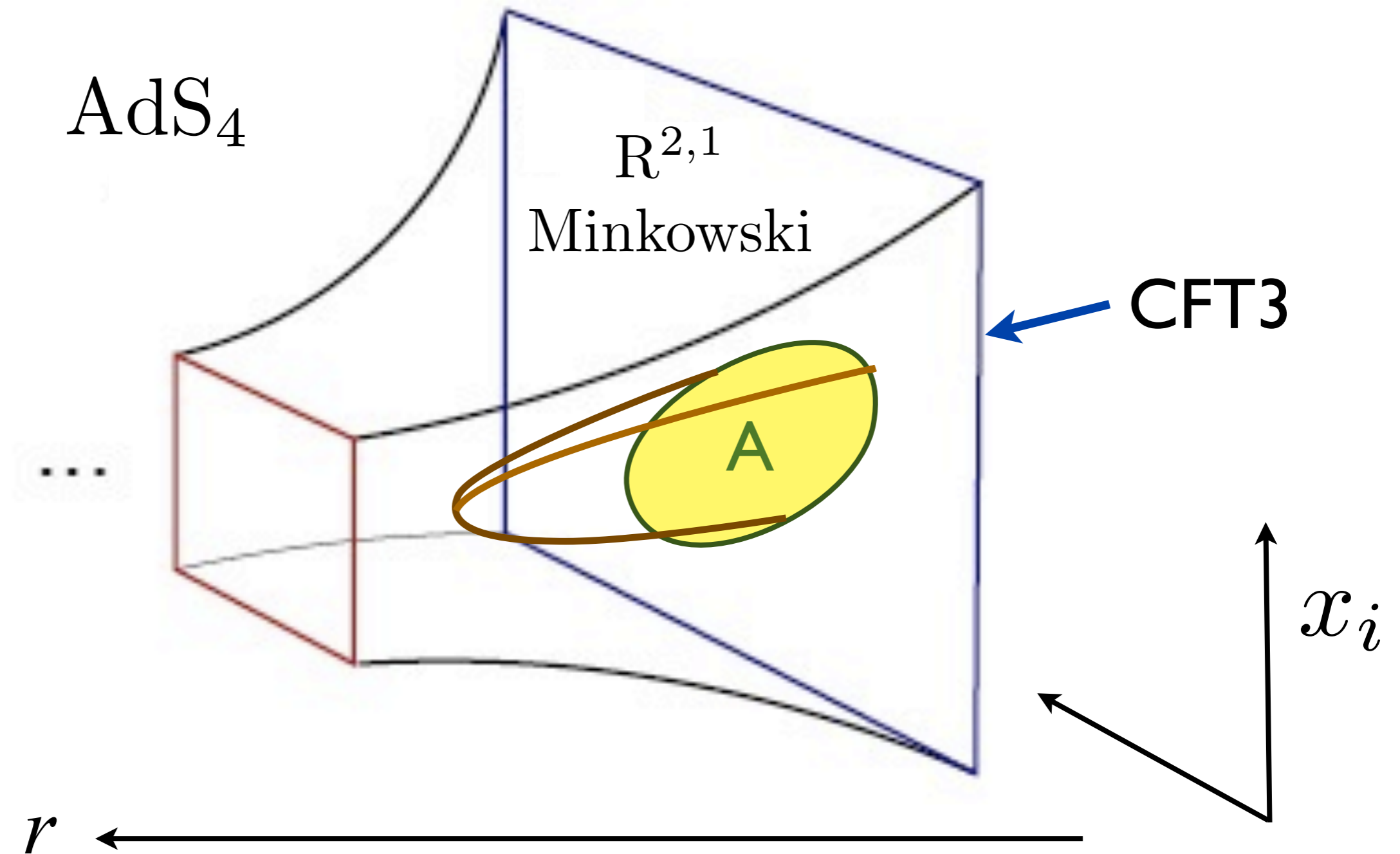
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Associate entanglement entropy with an observer in the enclosed spacetime region, who cannot observe “outside” : *i.e.* the region is surrounded by an imaginary horizon.

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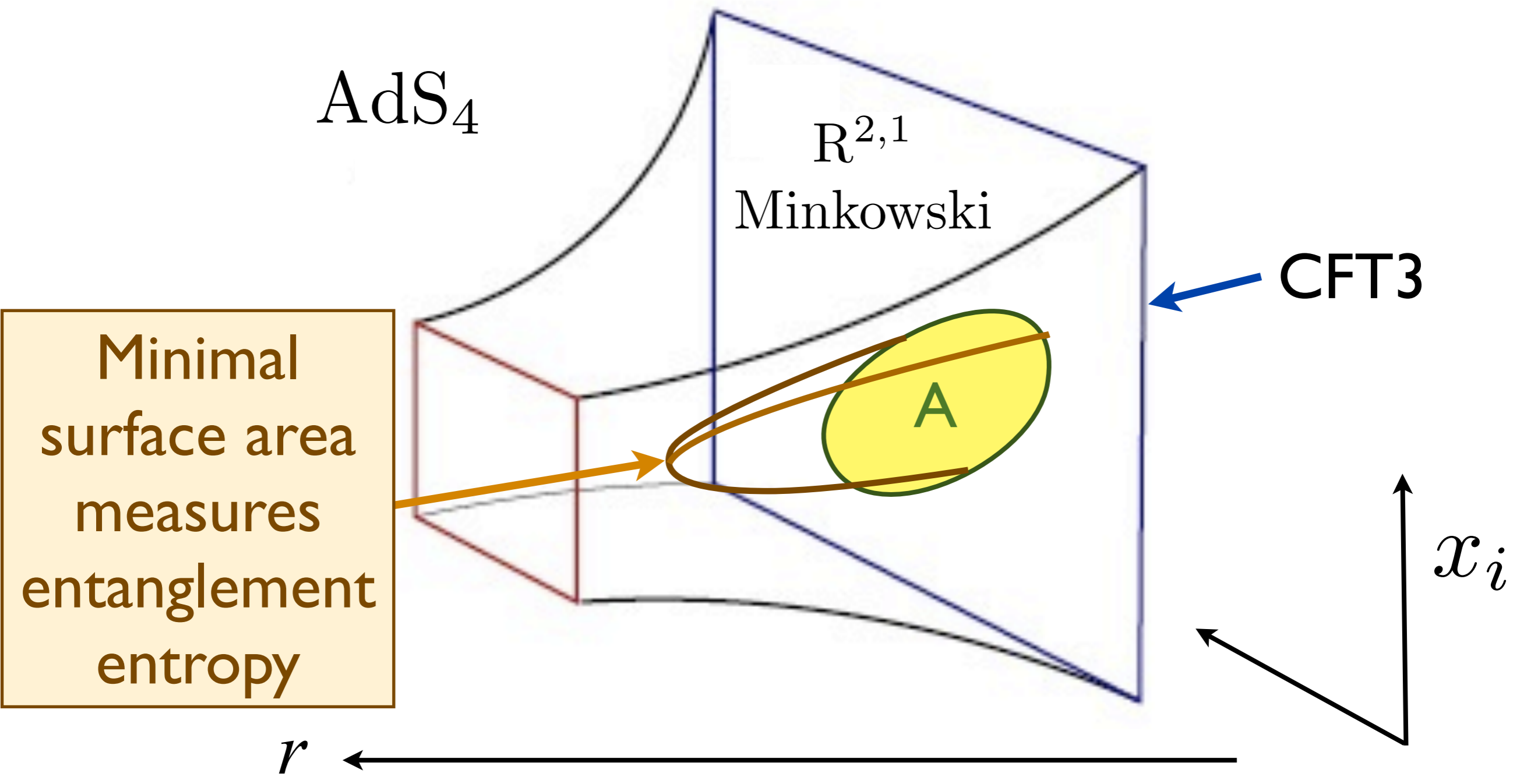
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The entropy of this region is bounded by its surface area
(Bekenstein-Hawking-'t Hooft-Susskind)

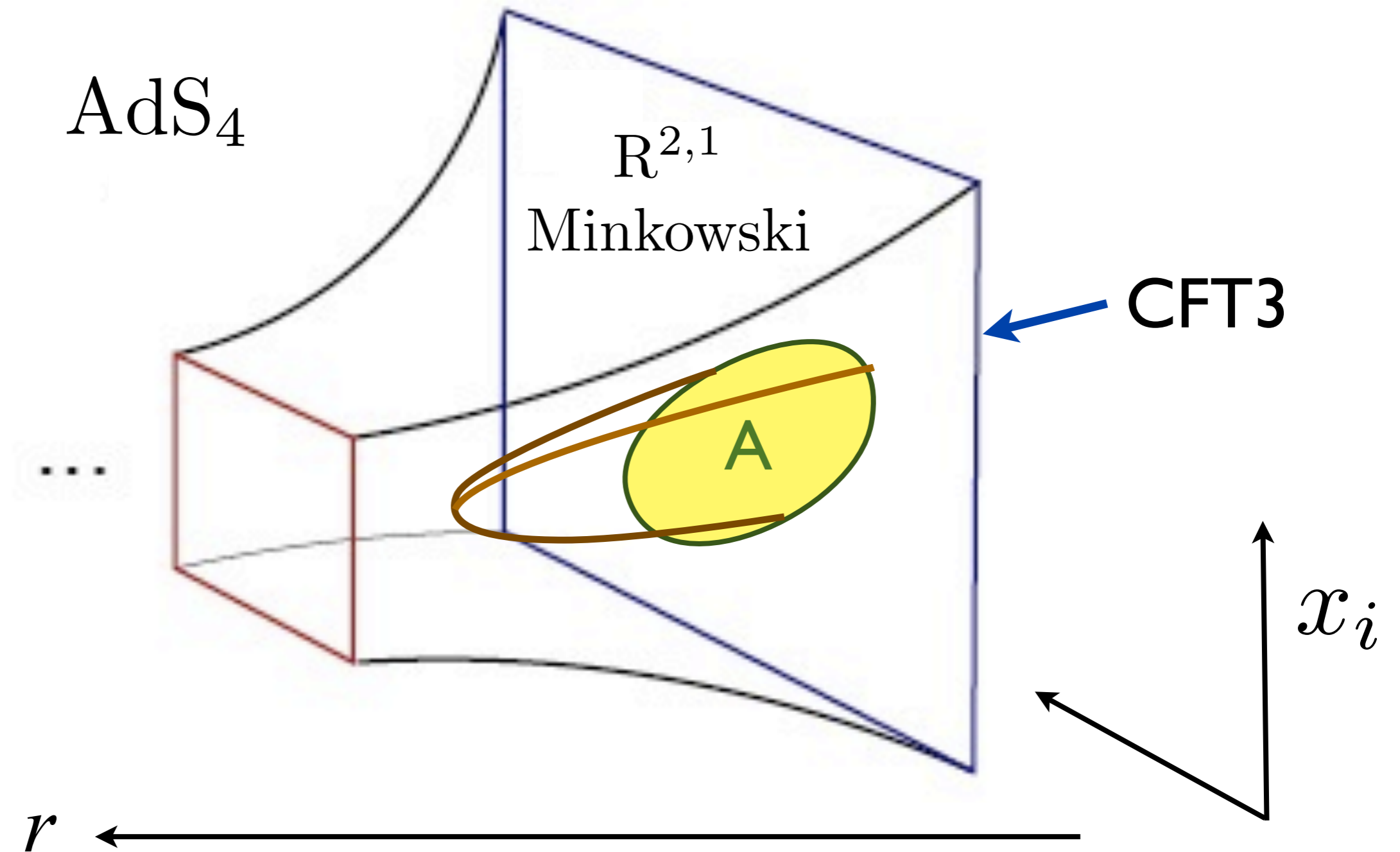
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- Computation of minimal surface area yields

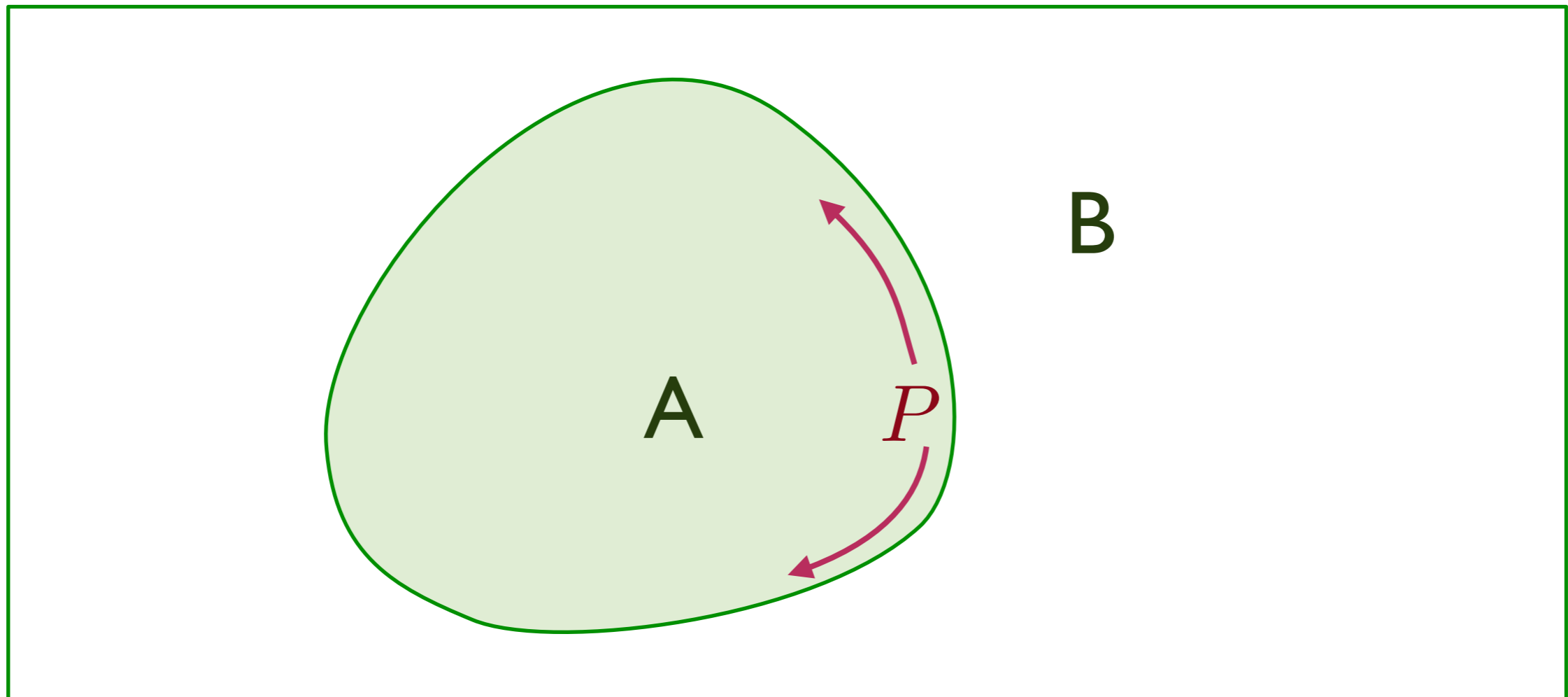
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Entanglement entropy from field theory of CFT3

- Entanglement entropy obeys $S_E = aP - \gamma$, where γ is a shape-dependent universal number associated with the CFT3.

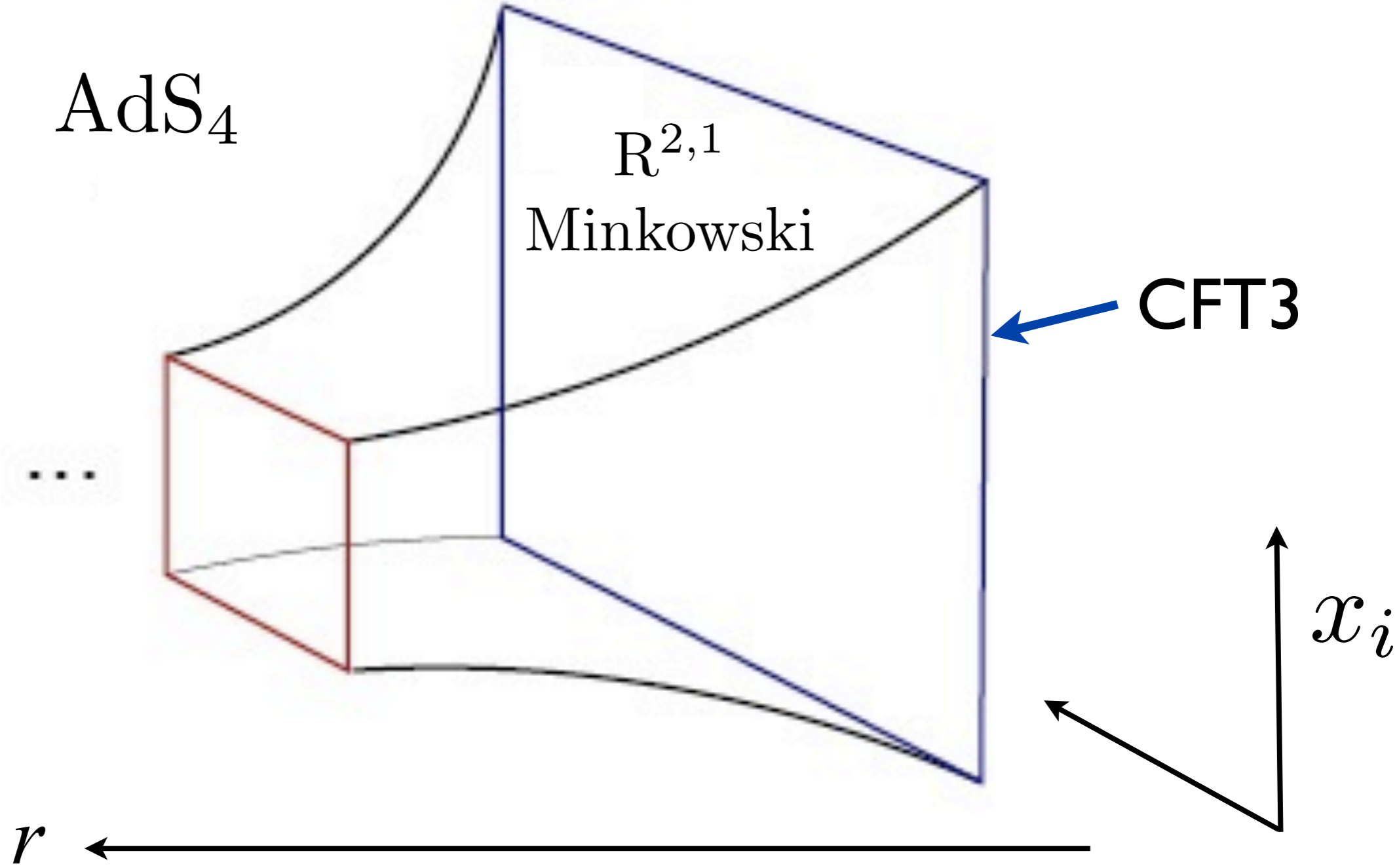


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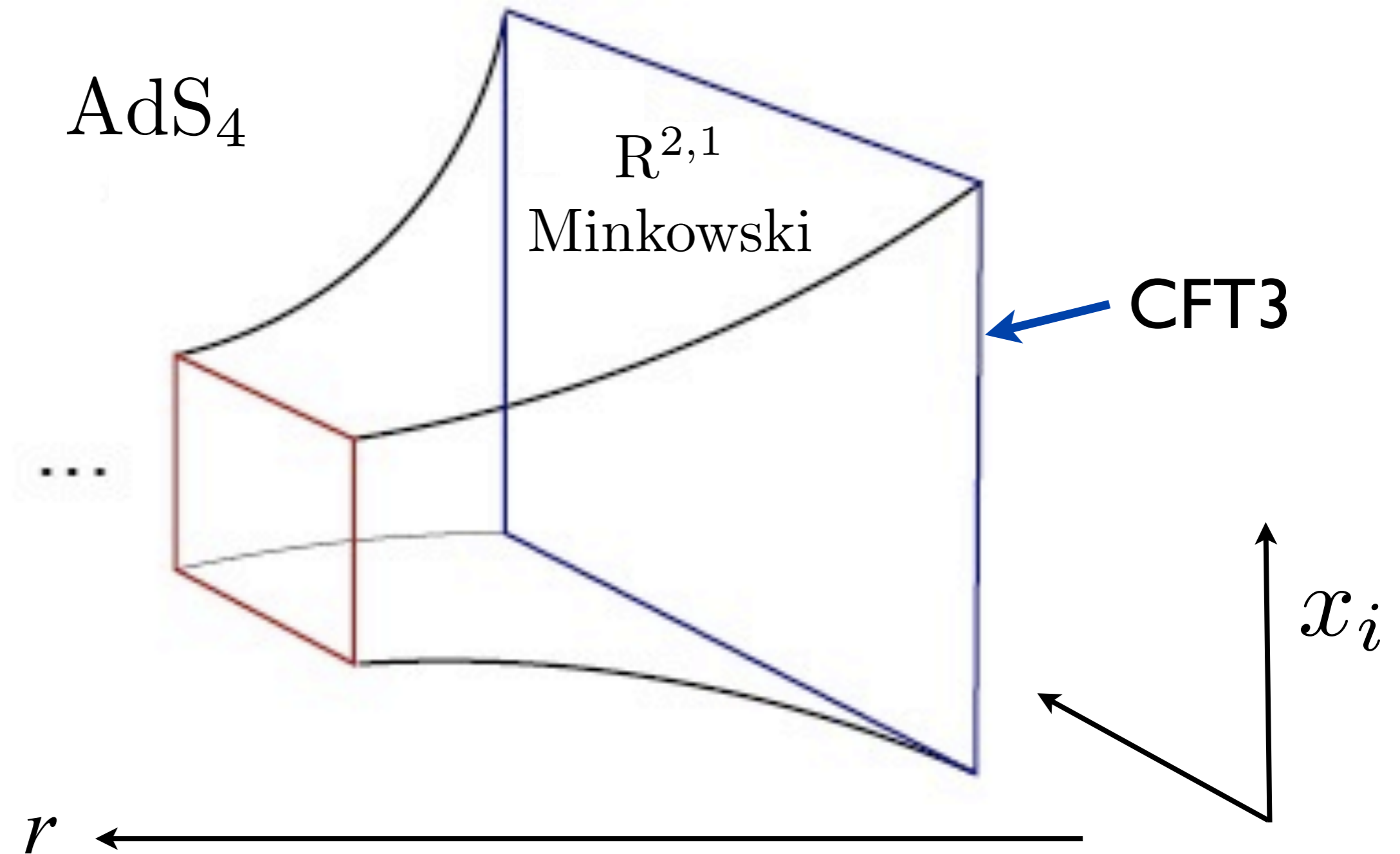
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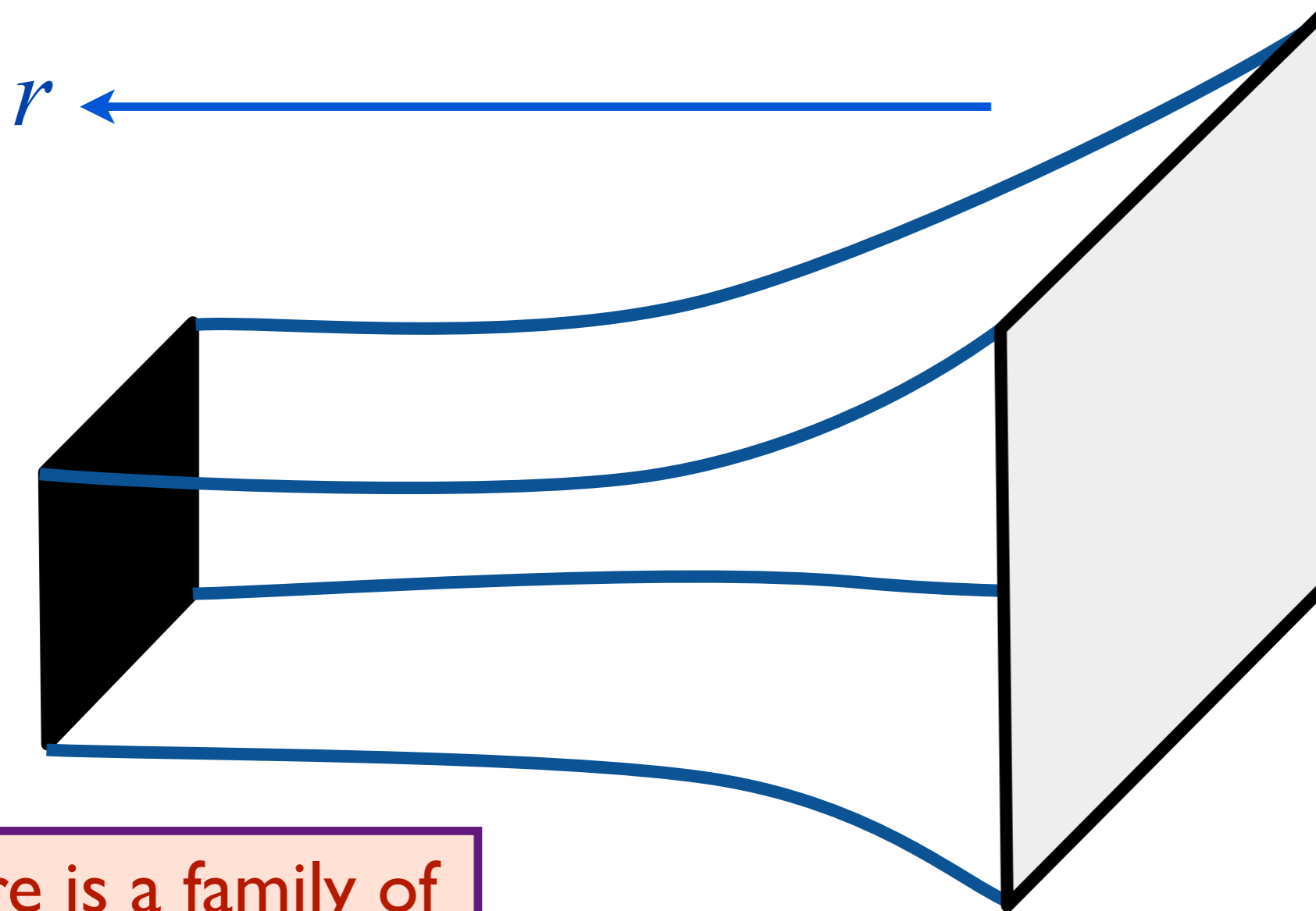
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This emergent spacetime is a solution of Einstein gravity with a negative cosmological constant

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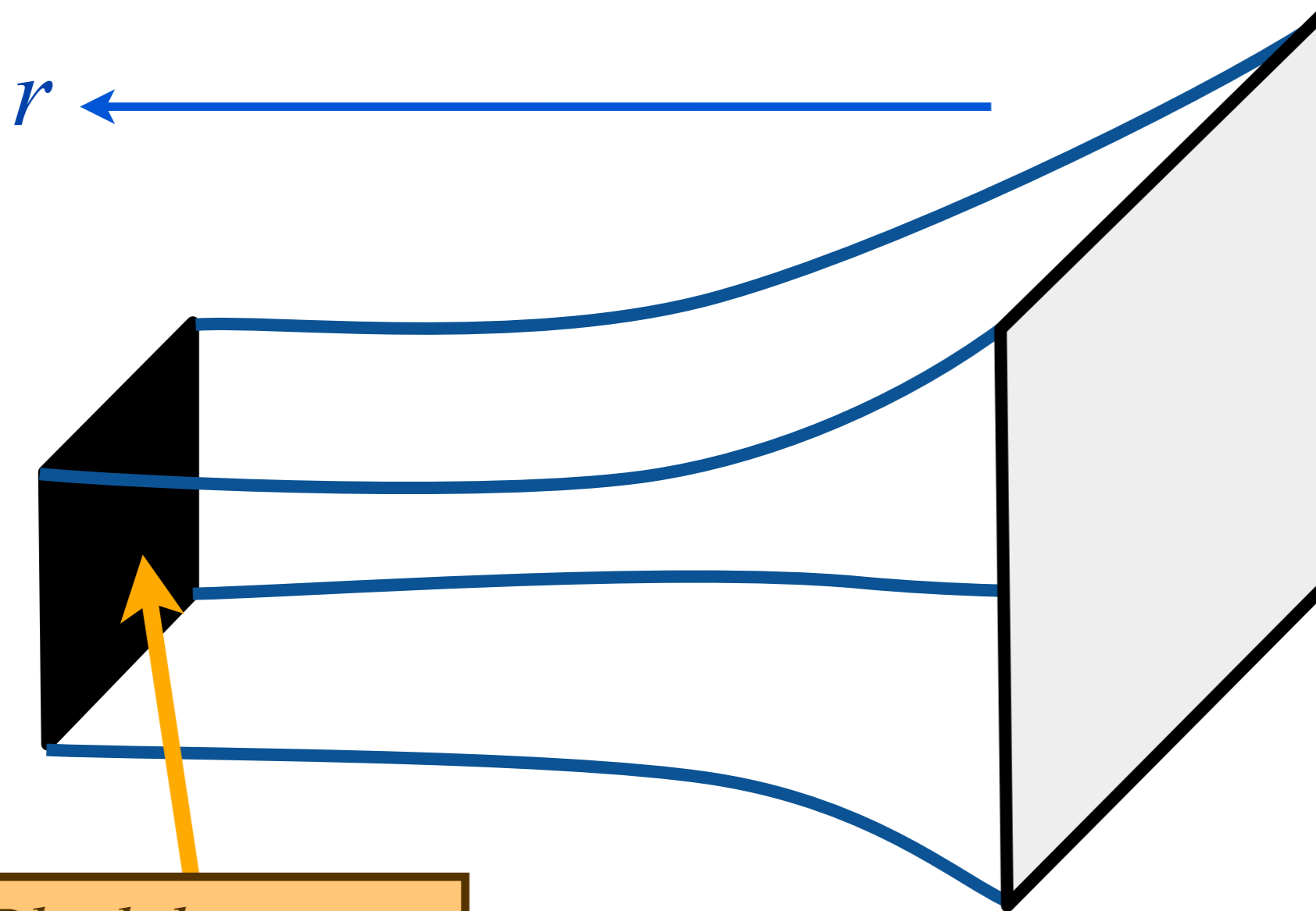
AdS₄-Schwarzschild black-brane



There is a family of solutions of Einstein gravity which describe non-zero temperatures

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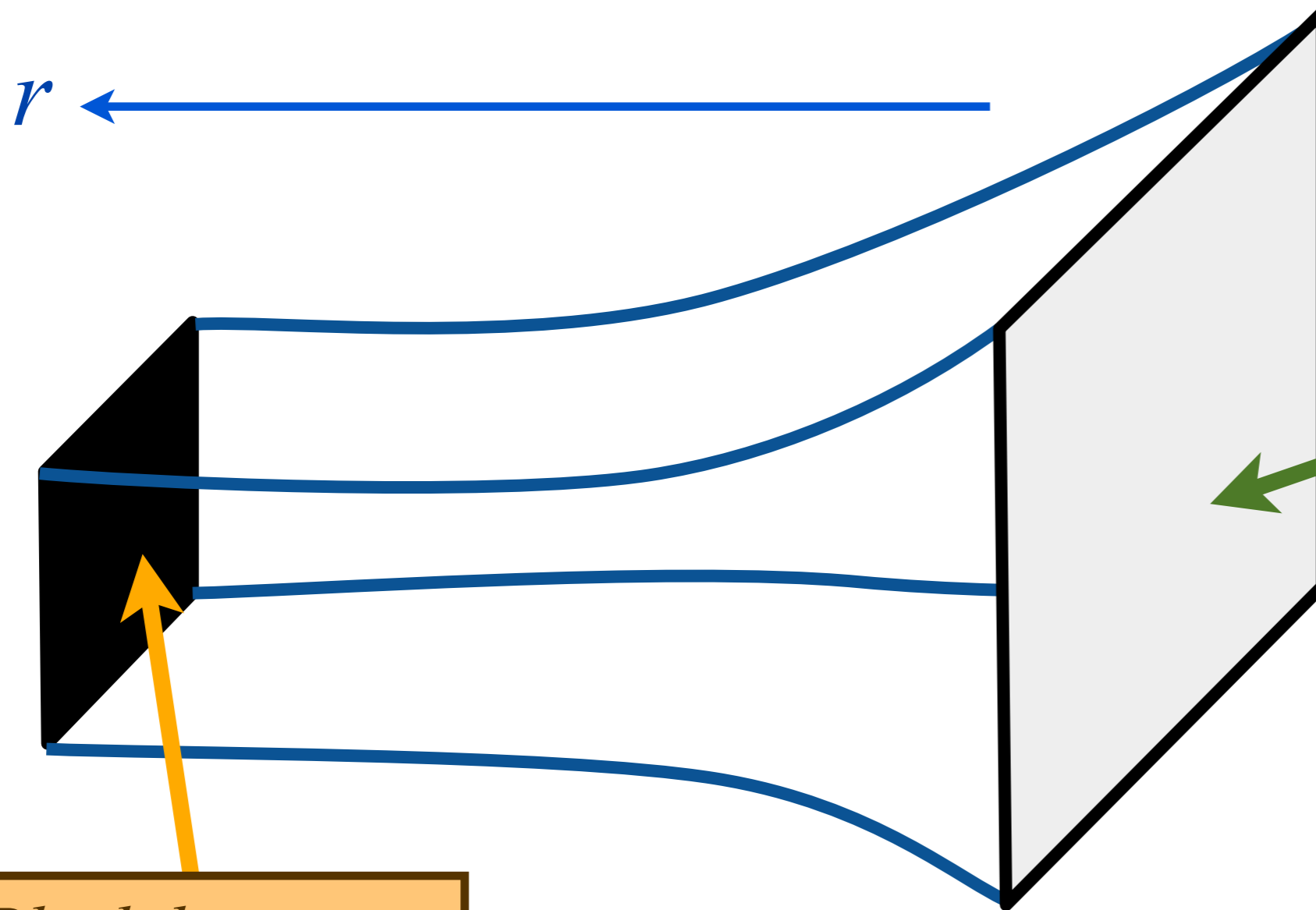


Black-brane at temperature of 2+1 dimensional quantum critical system

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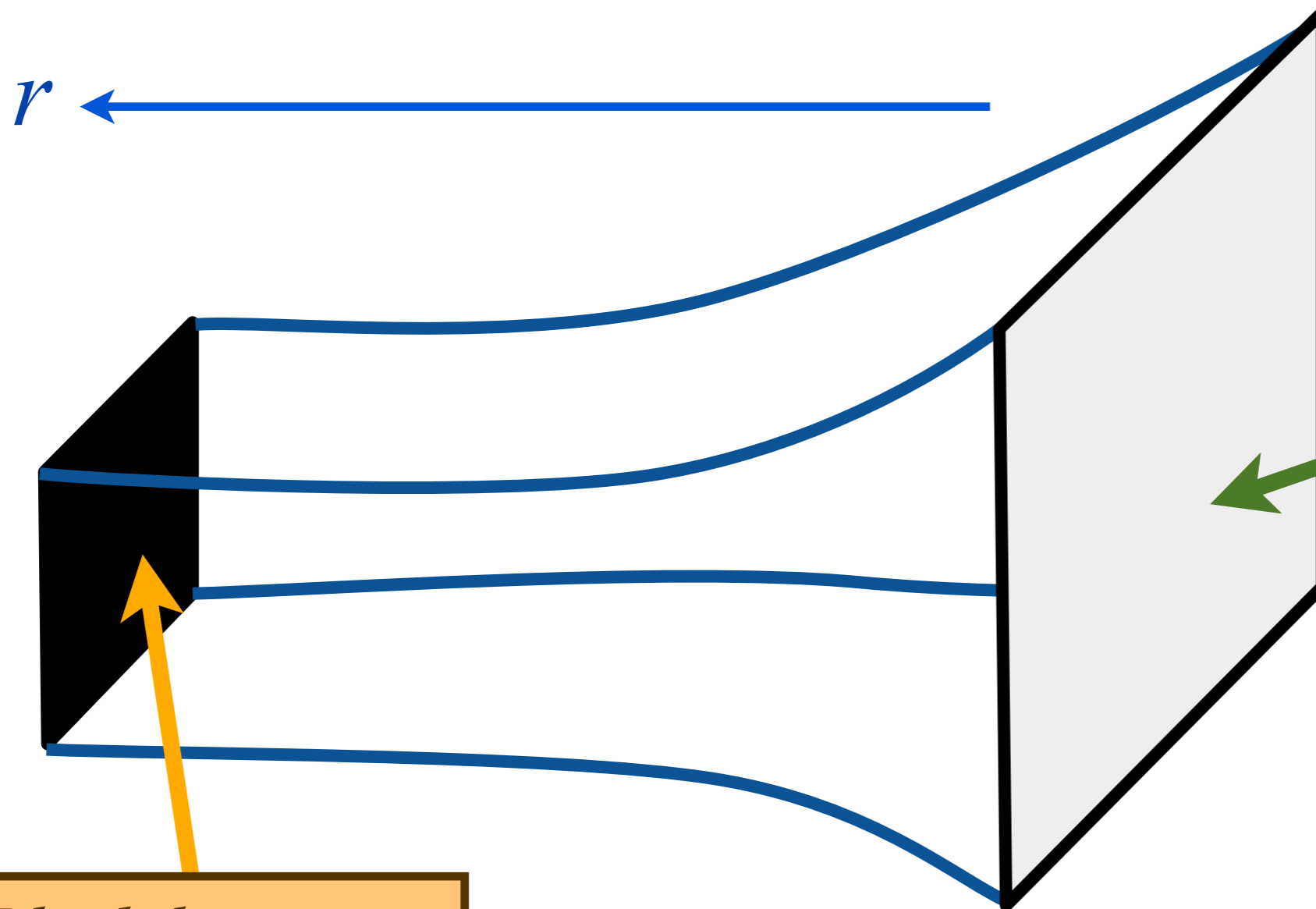
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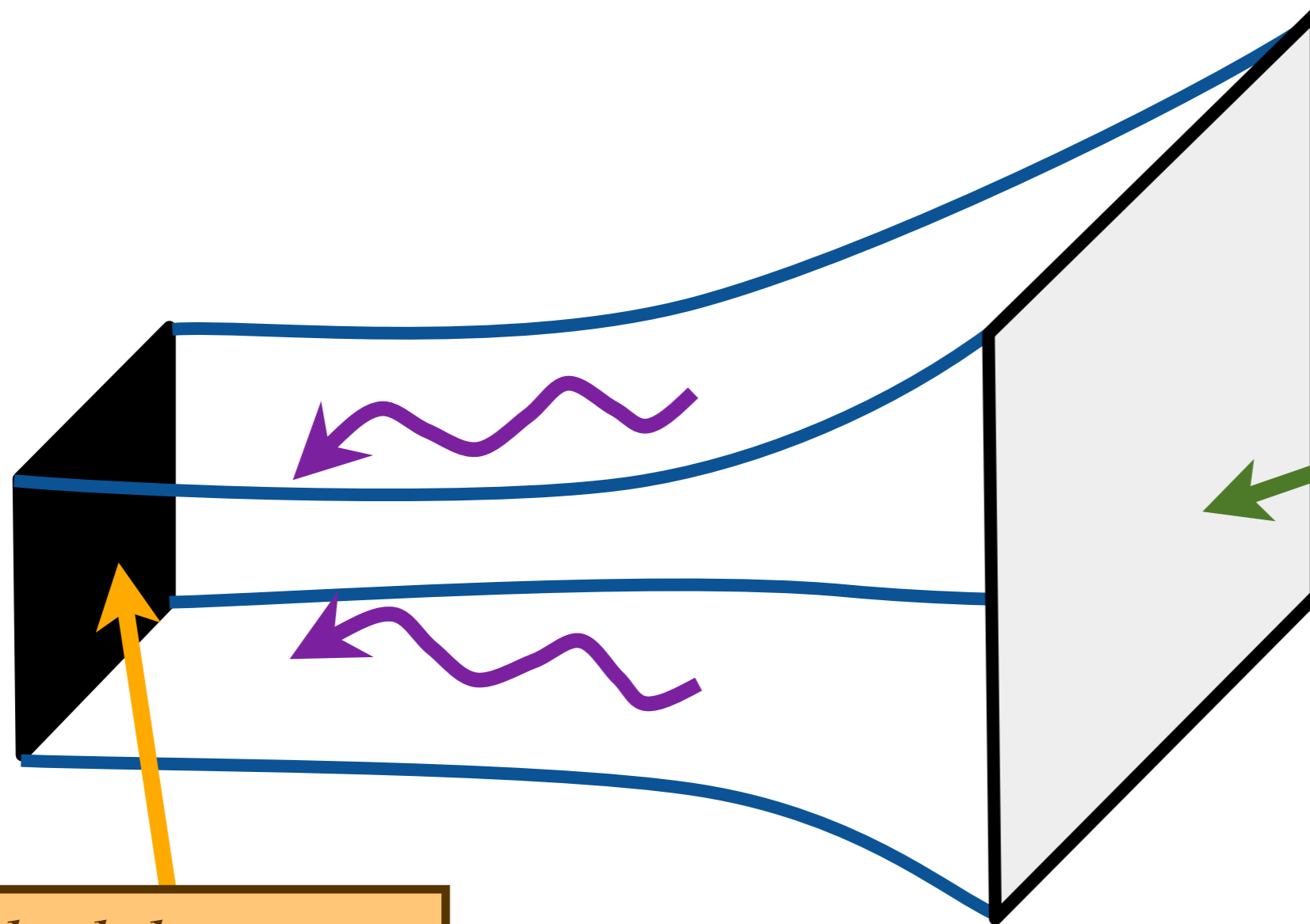


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AdS₄ theory of quantum criticality

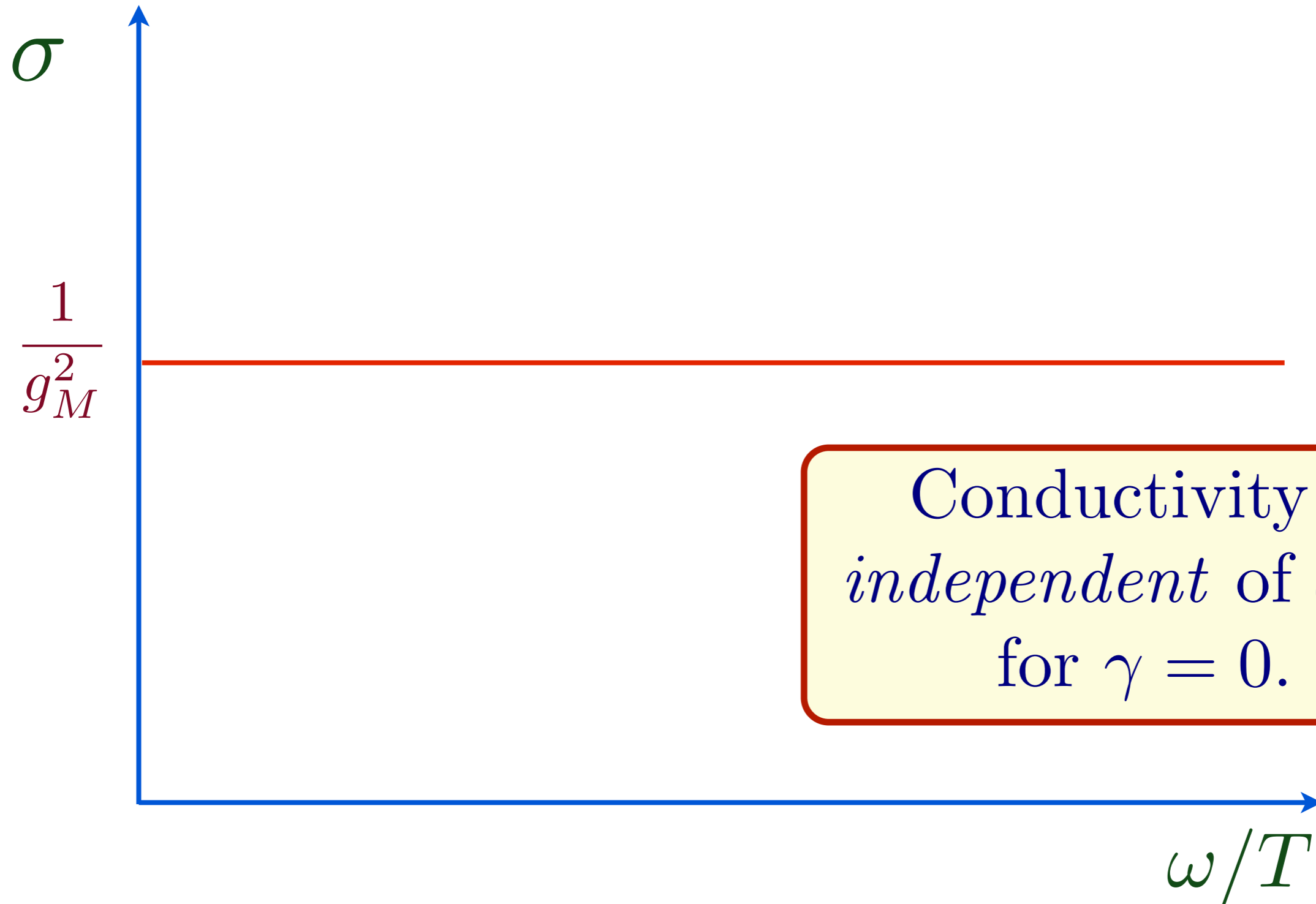
Most general effective holographic theory for linear charge transport with 4 spatial derivatives:

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{bulk}} = \frac{1}{g_M^2} \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \left[\frac{1}{4} F_{ab} F^{ab} + \gamma L^2 C_{abcd} F^{ab} F^{cd} \right] + \int d^4x \sqrt{g} \left[-\frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \left(R + \frac{6}{L^2} \right) \right],$$

where C_{abcd} is the Weyl tensor, and F_{ab} is the bulk gauge flux dual to the conserved current of the CFT. Three dimensionless parameters, g_M , L^2/κ^2 , and γ , are related to CFT3 correlators: σ_∞ , the central charge, and to 3-point correlators of current and stress energy tensors. Boundary and bulk methods show that $|\gamma| \leq 1/12$, and the bound is saturated by free fields.

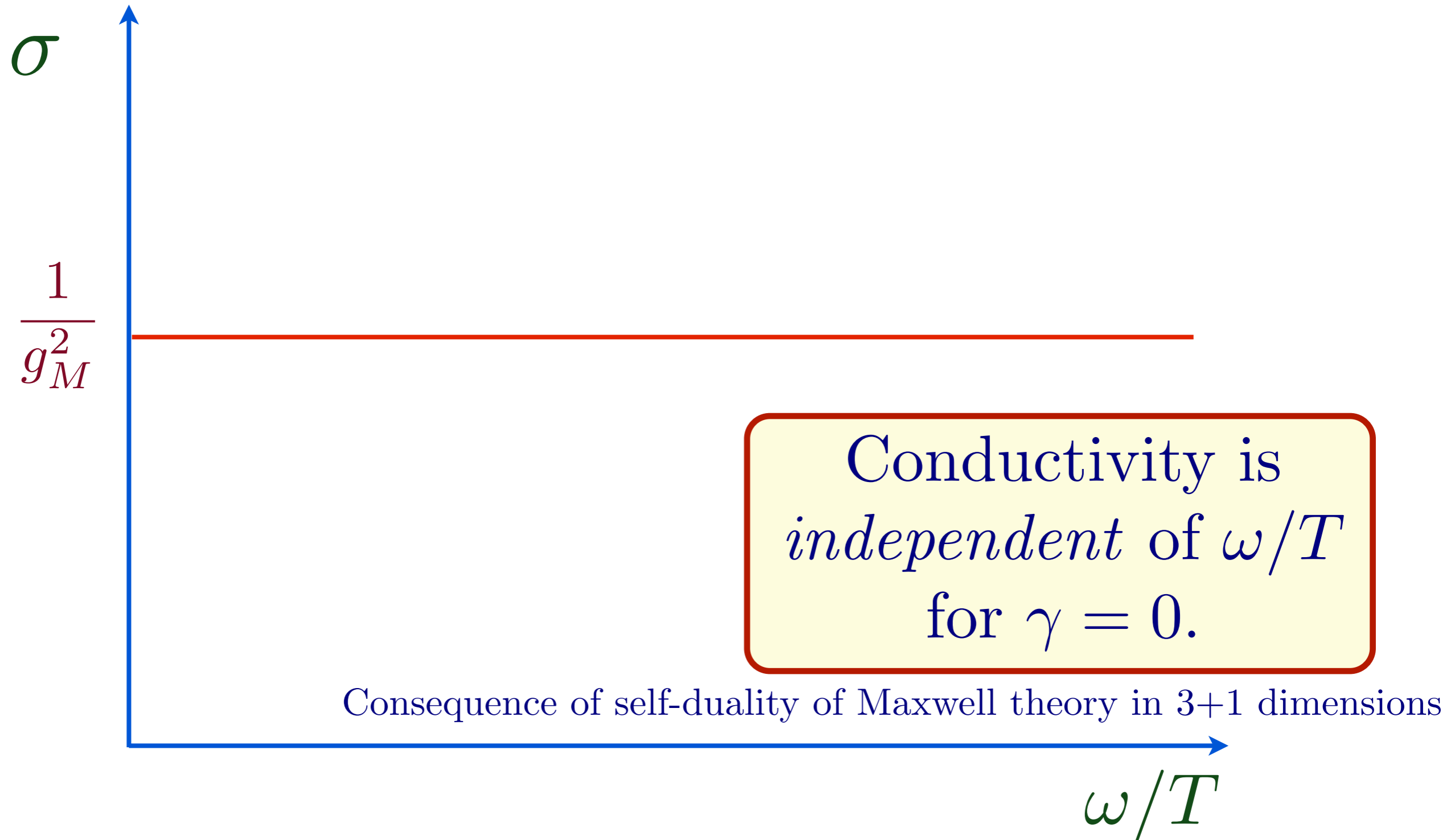
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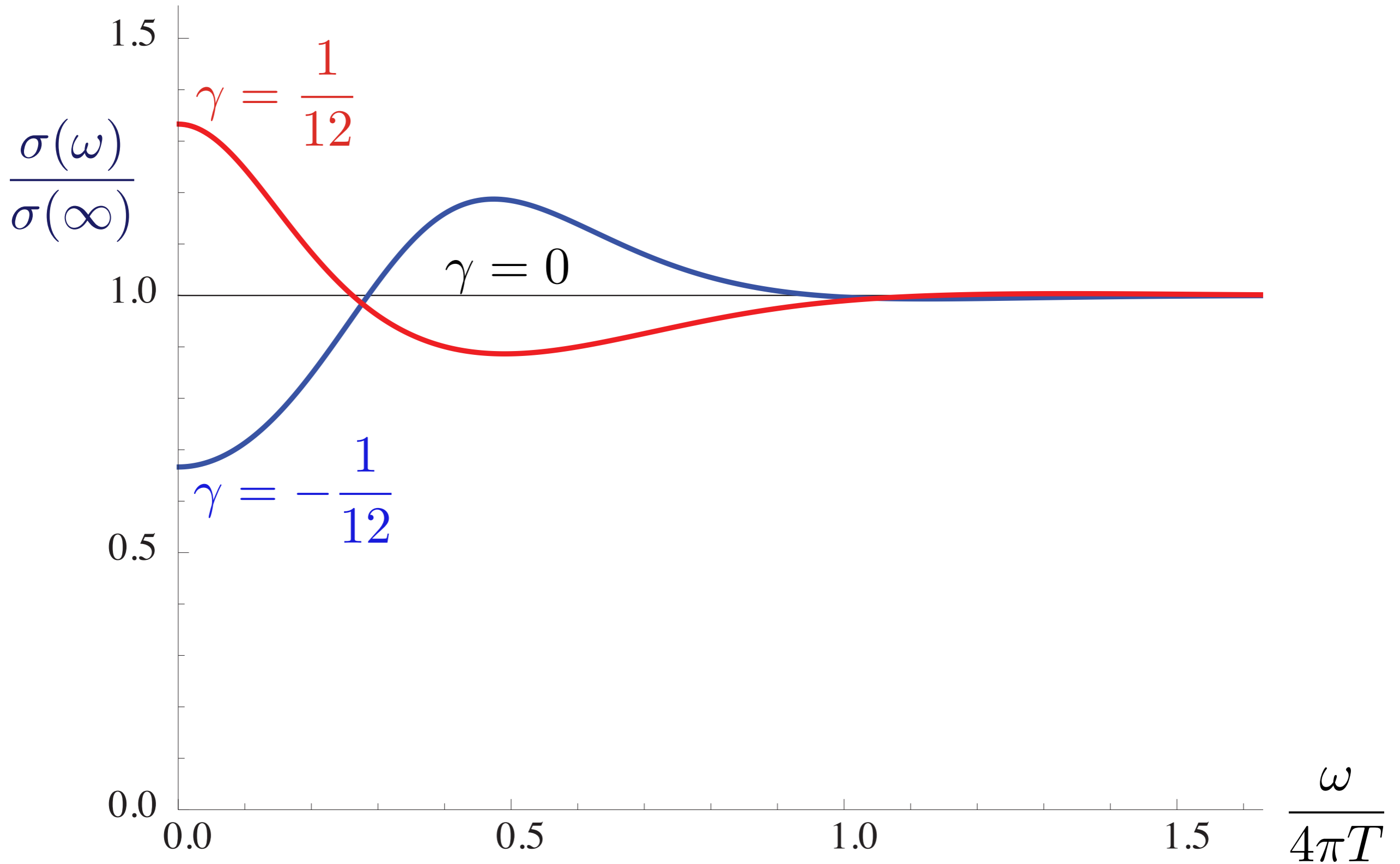
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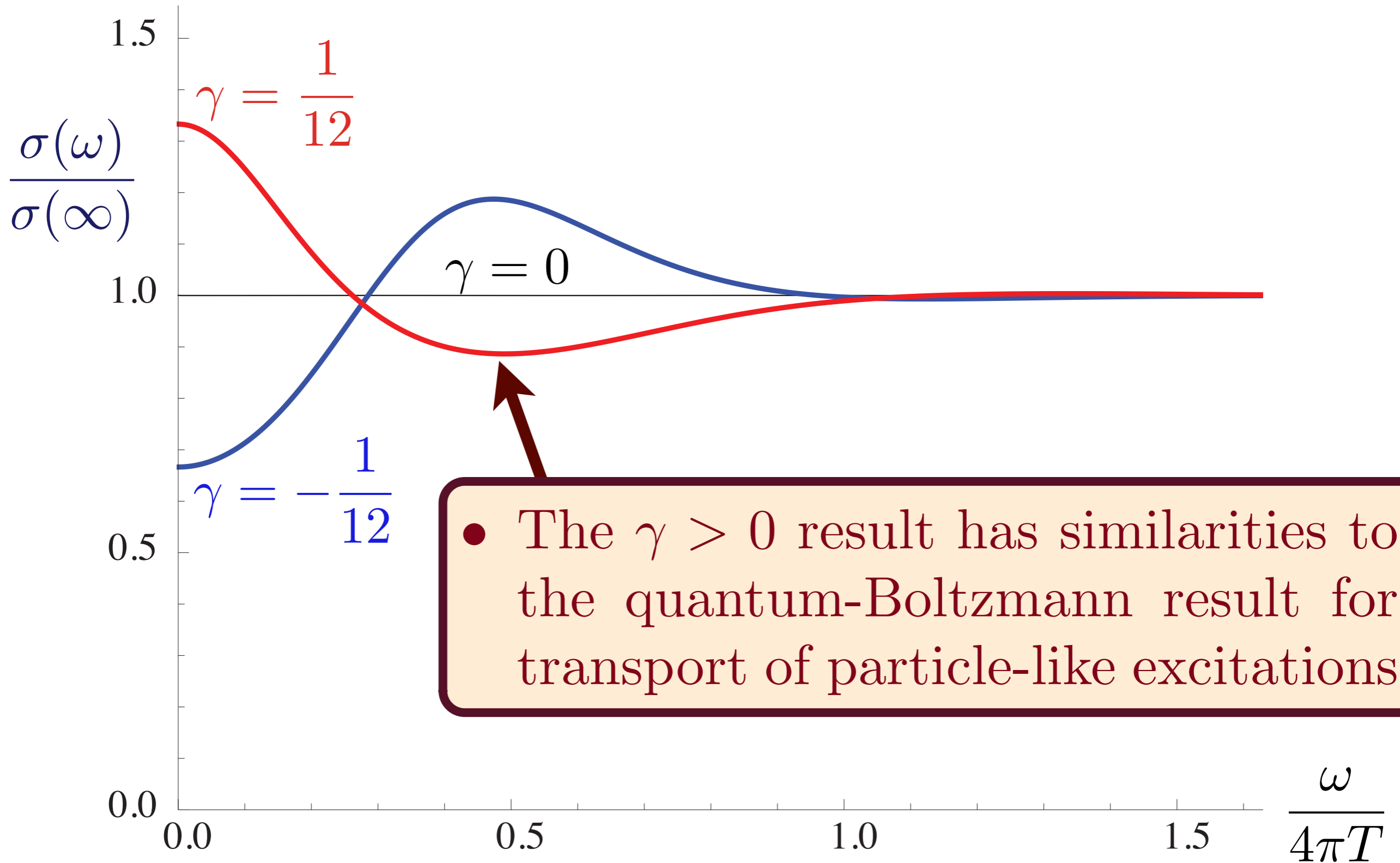
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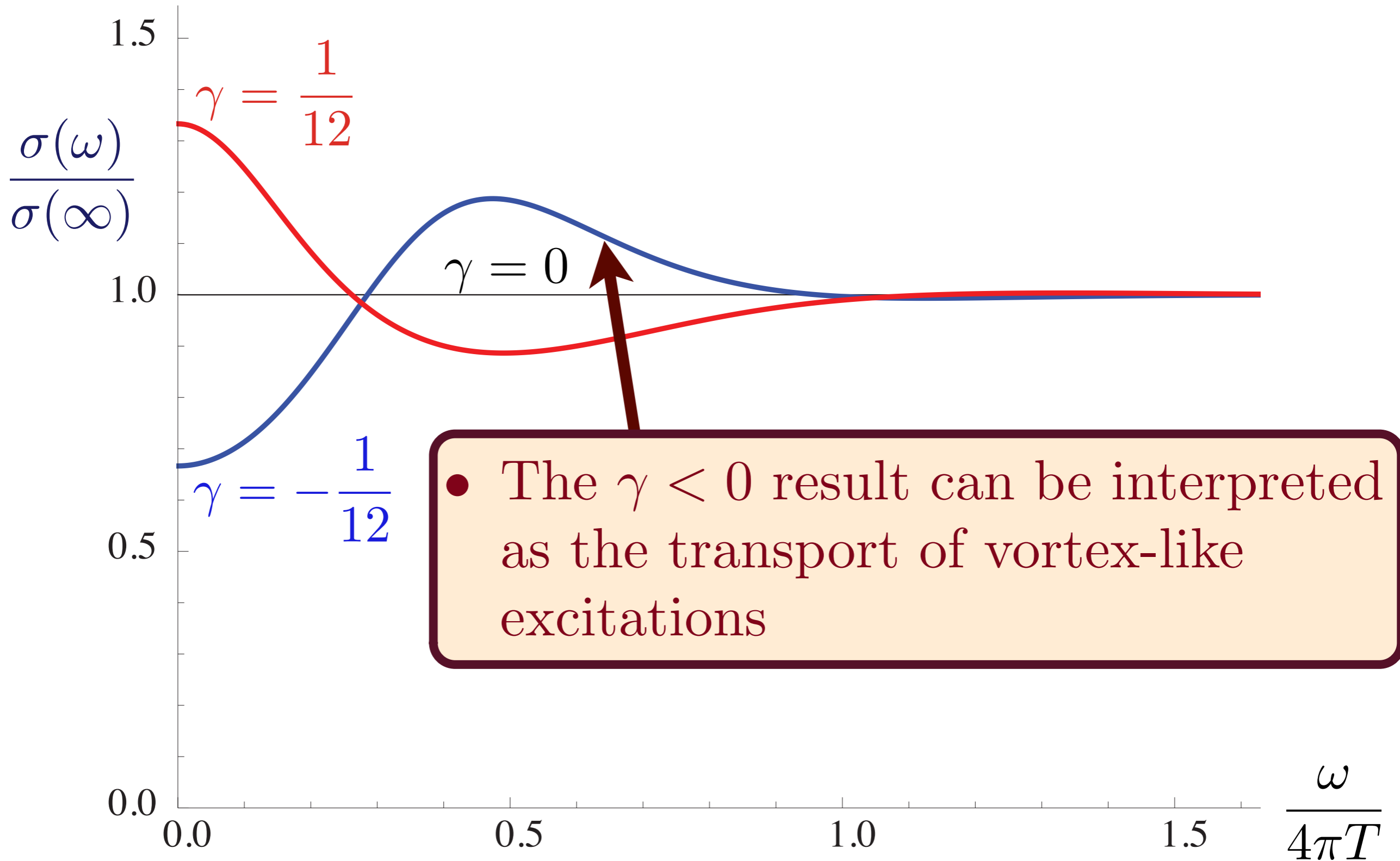
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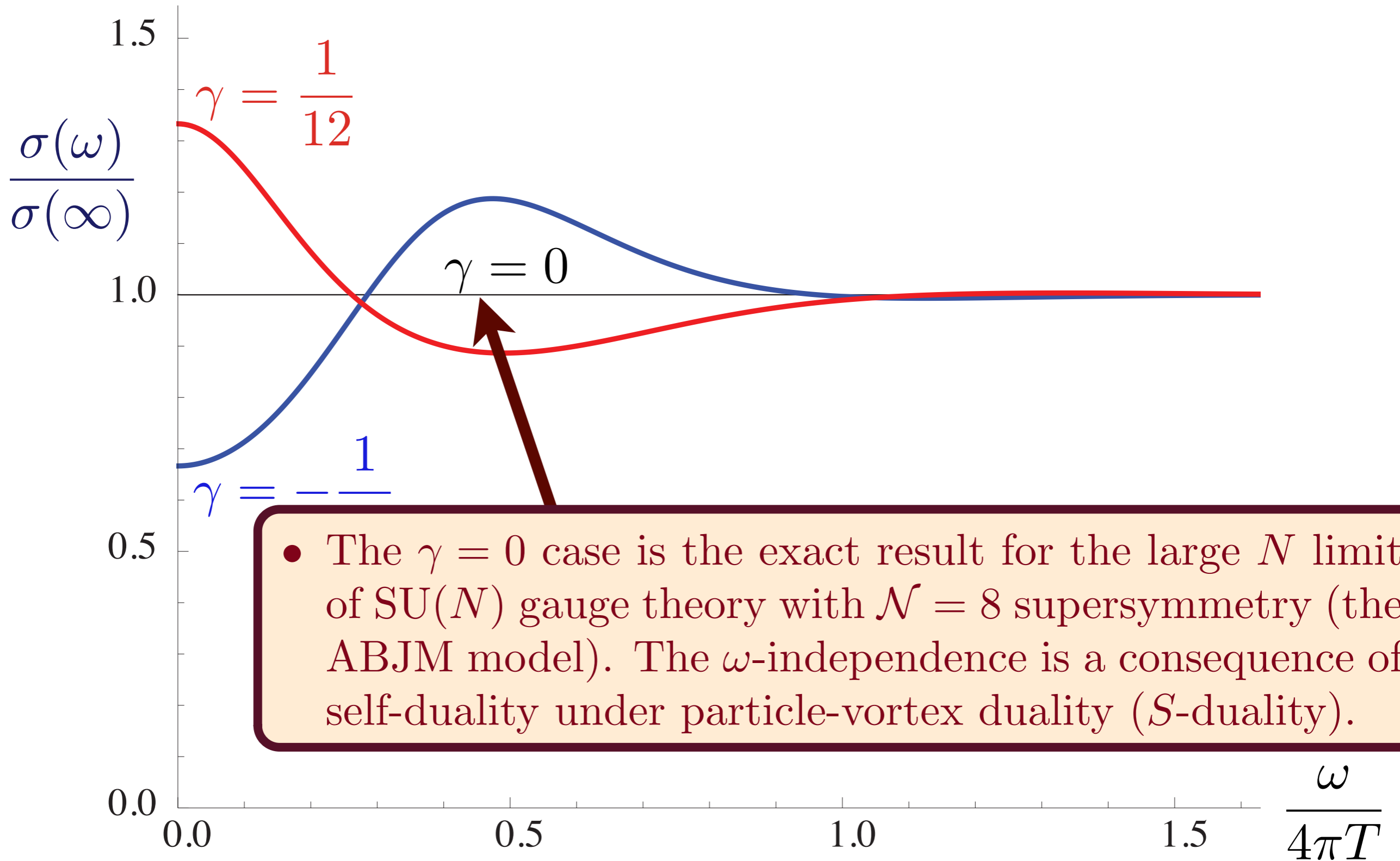
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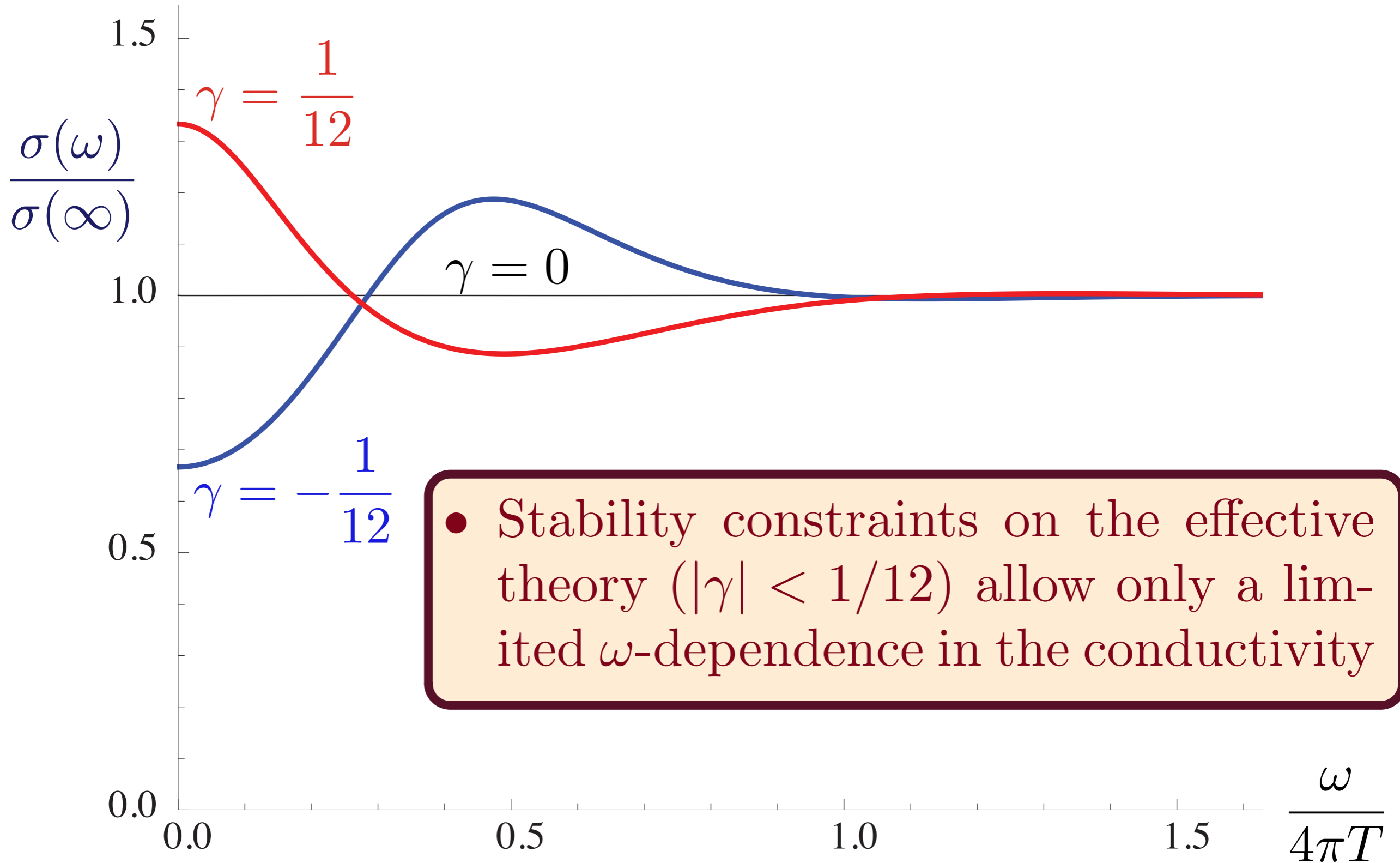
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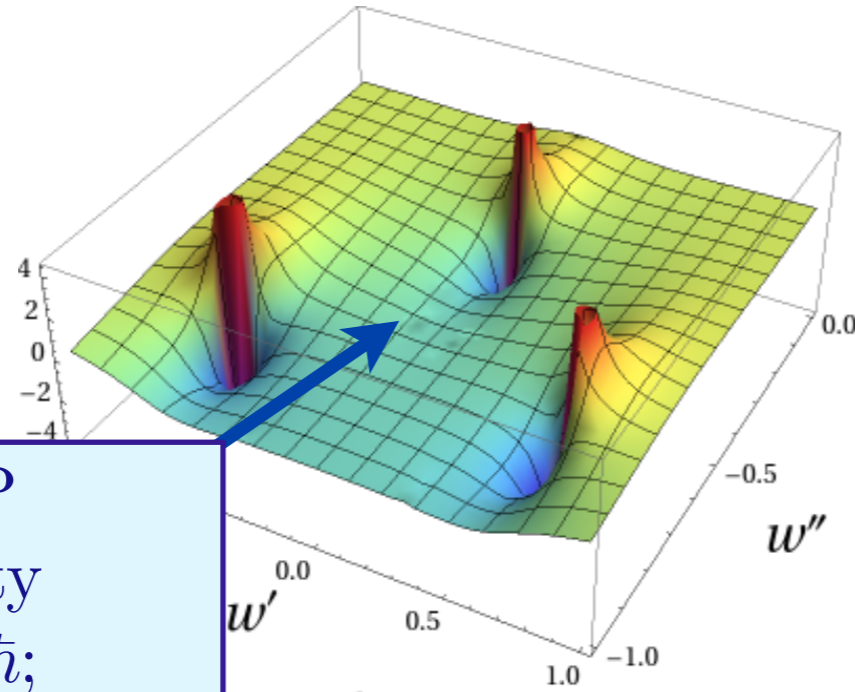
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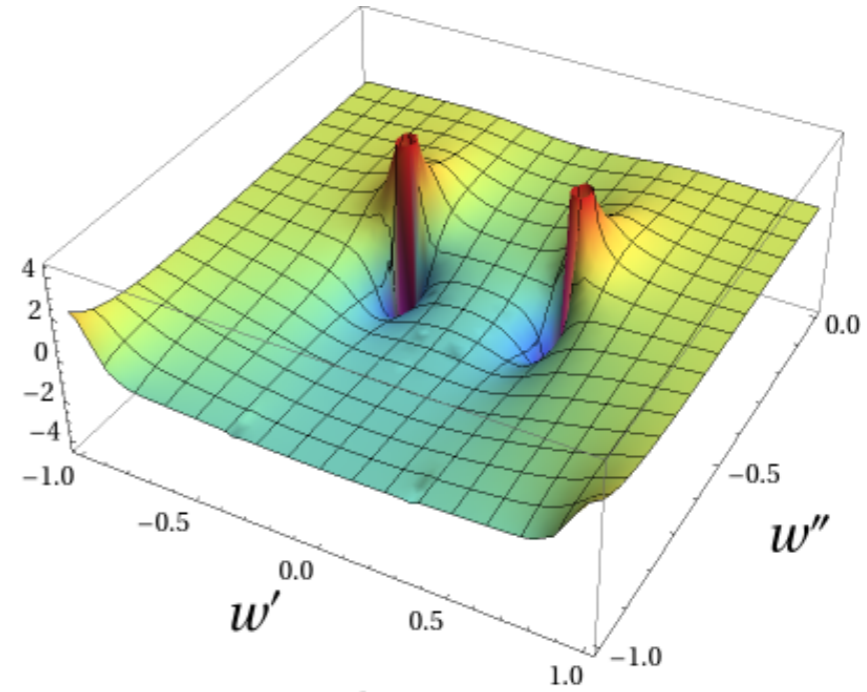
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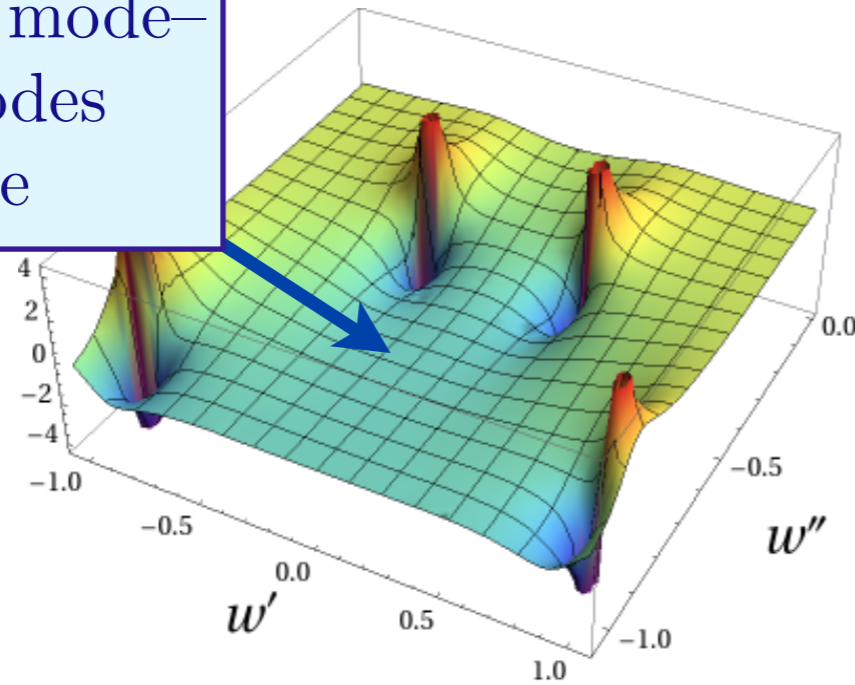
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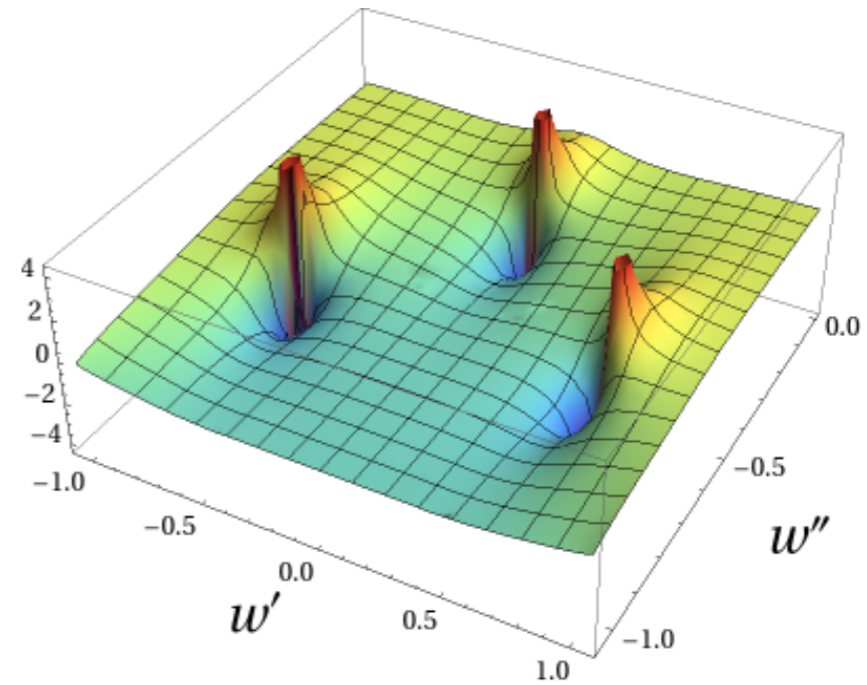
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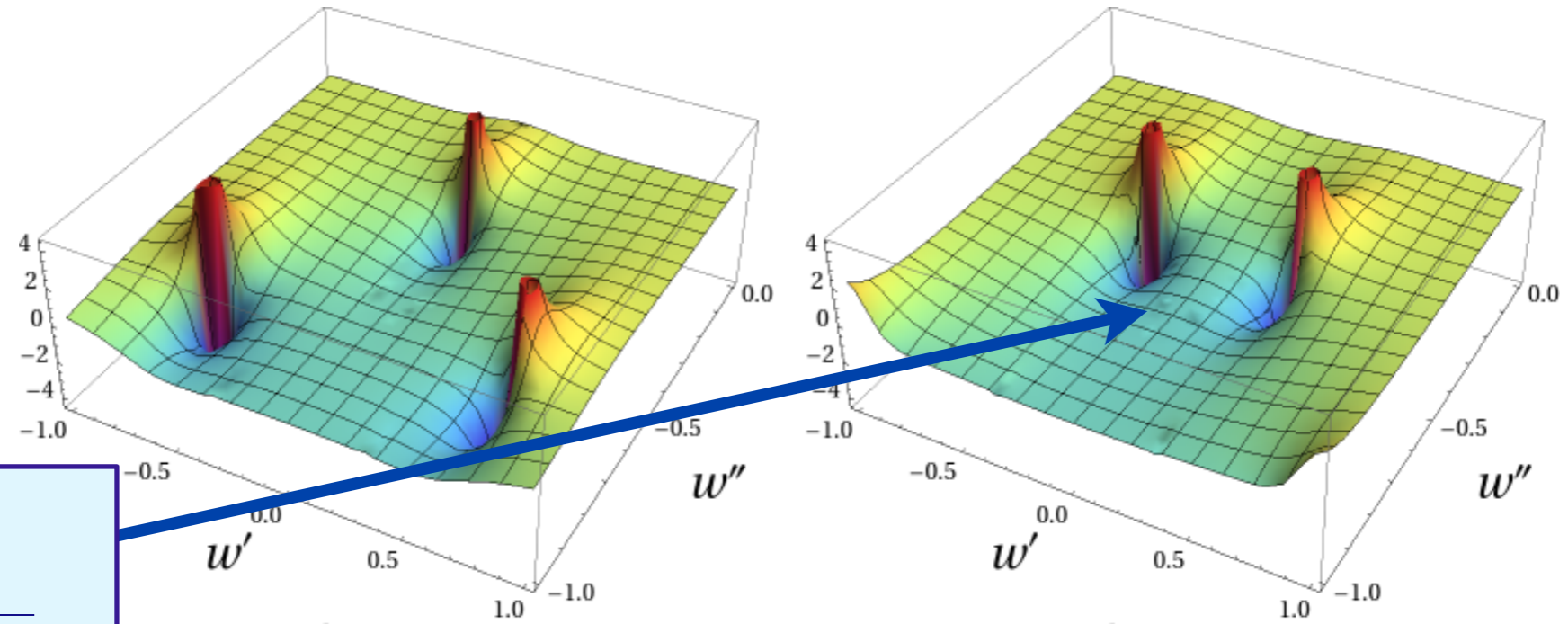
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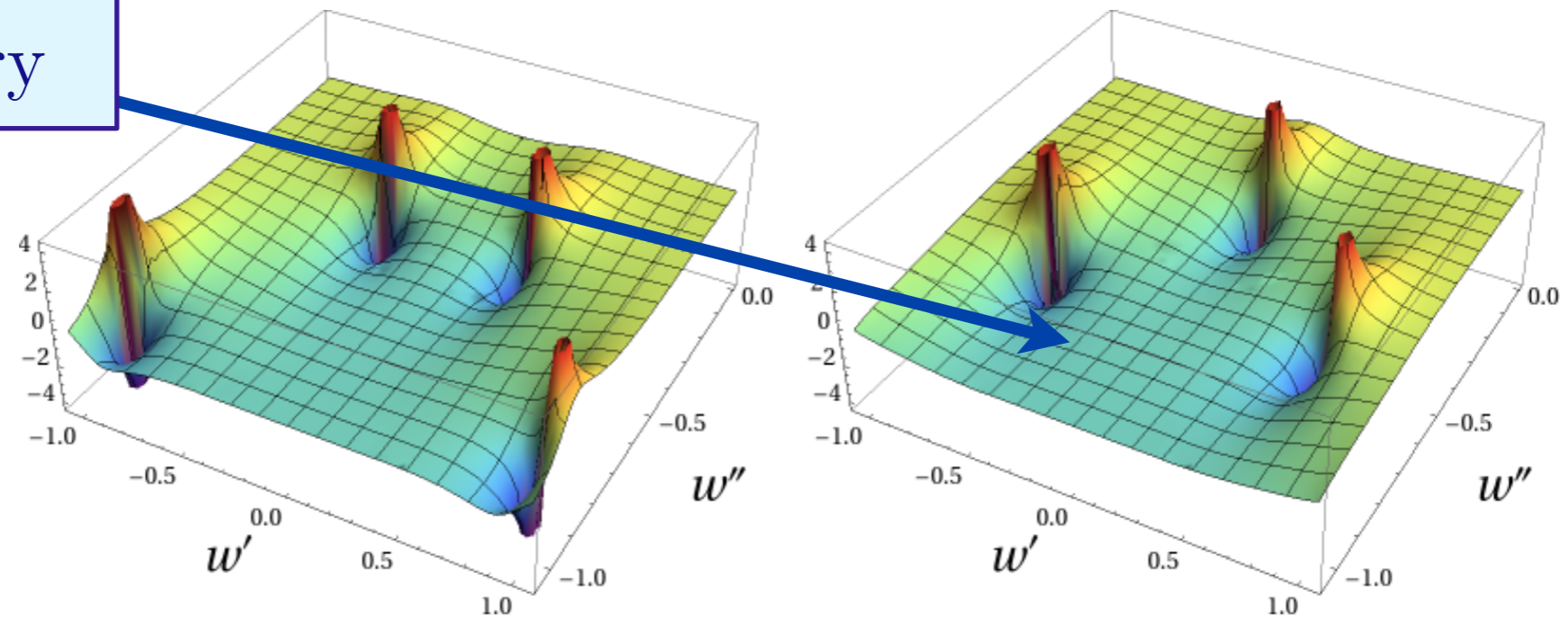
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The second rule follows from the existence of a EM-dual CFT₃.

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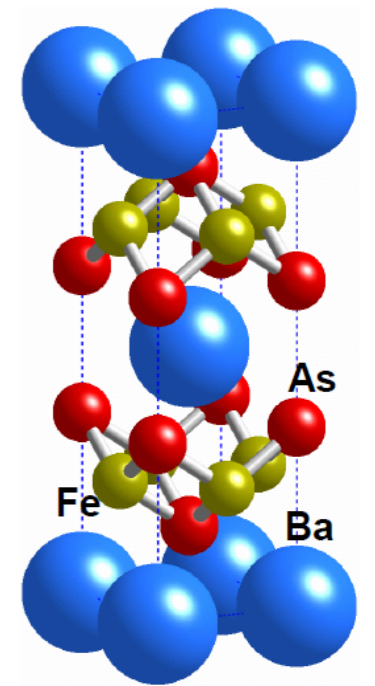
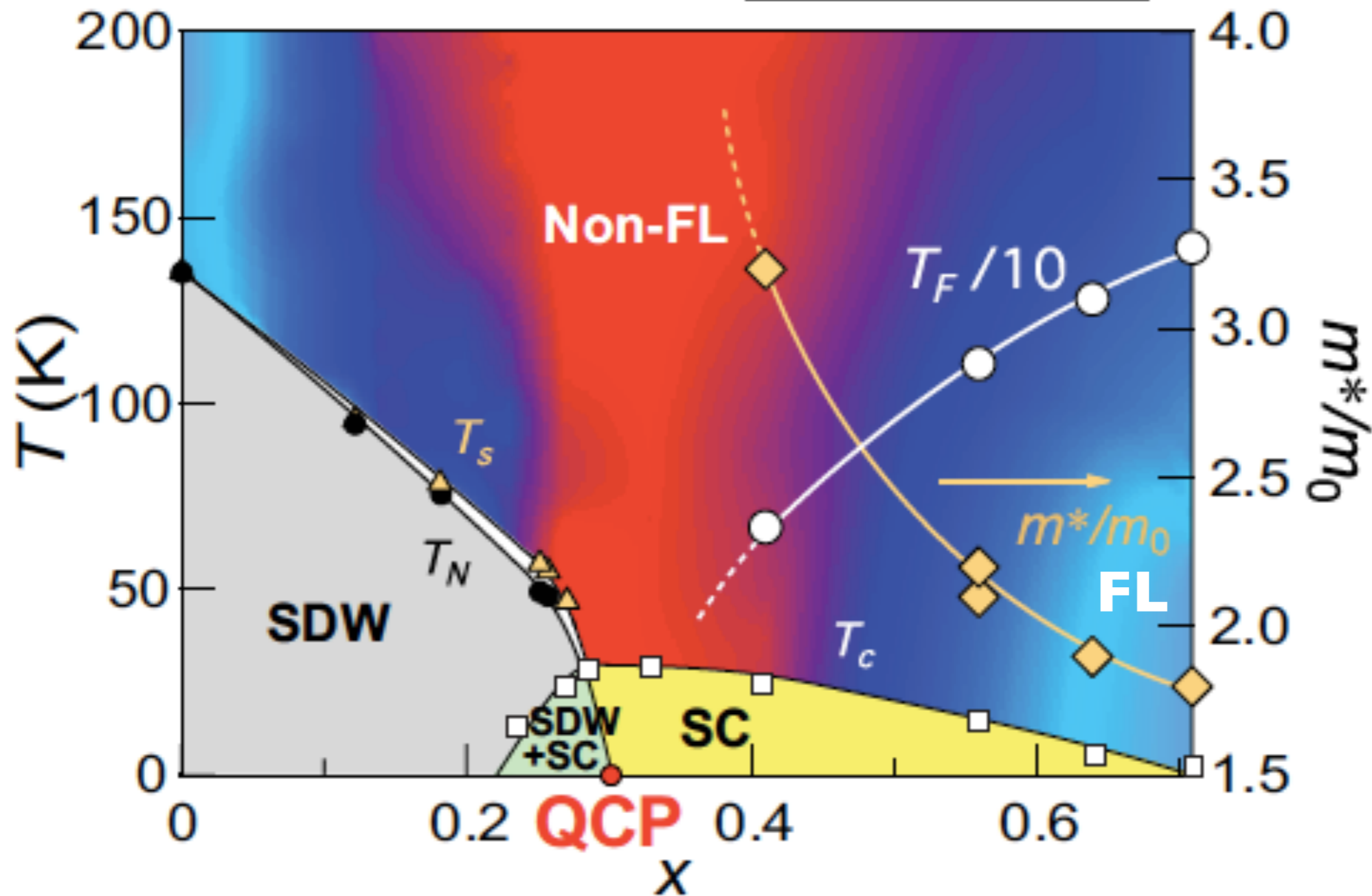
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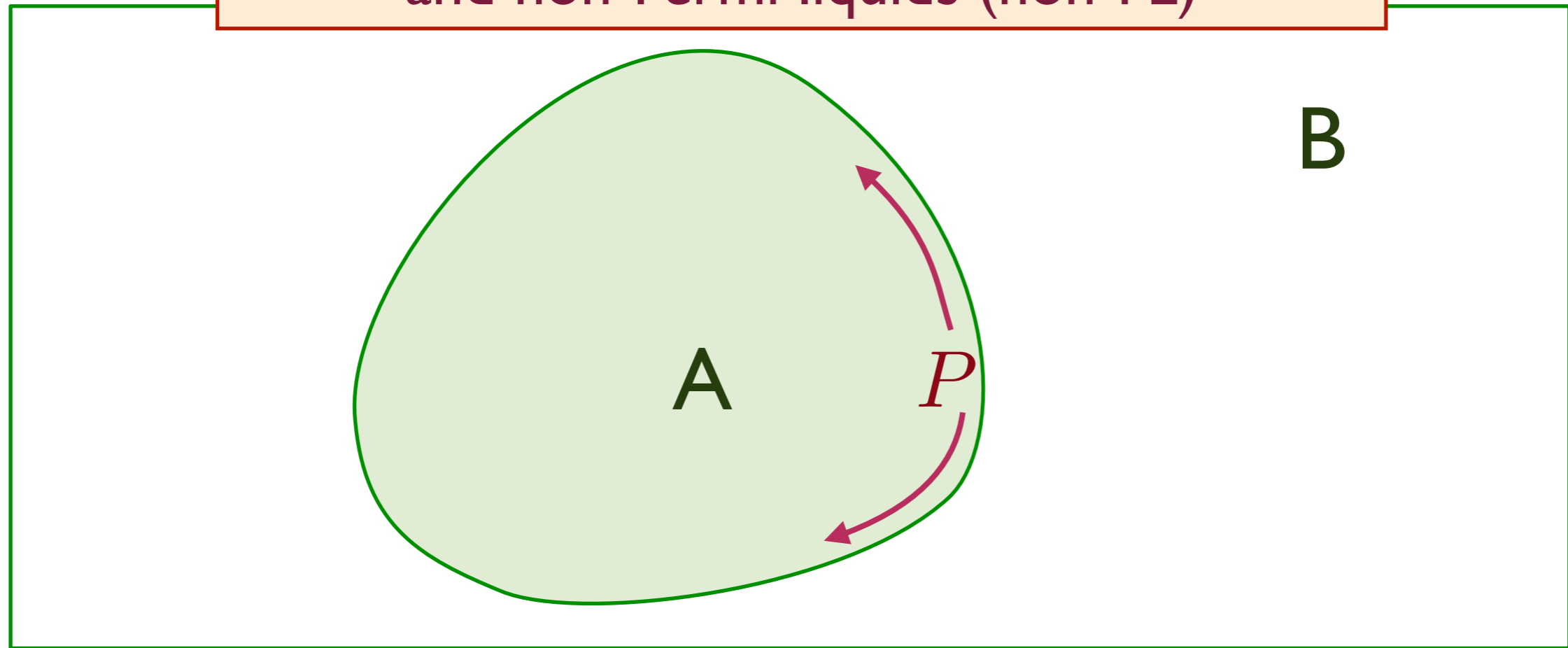
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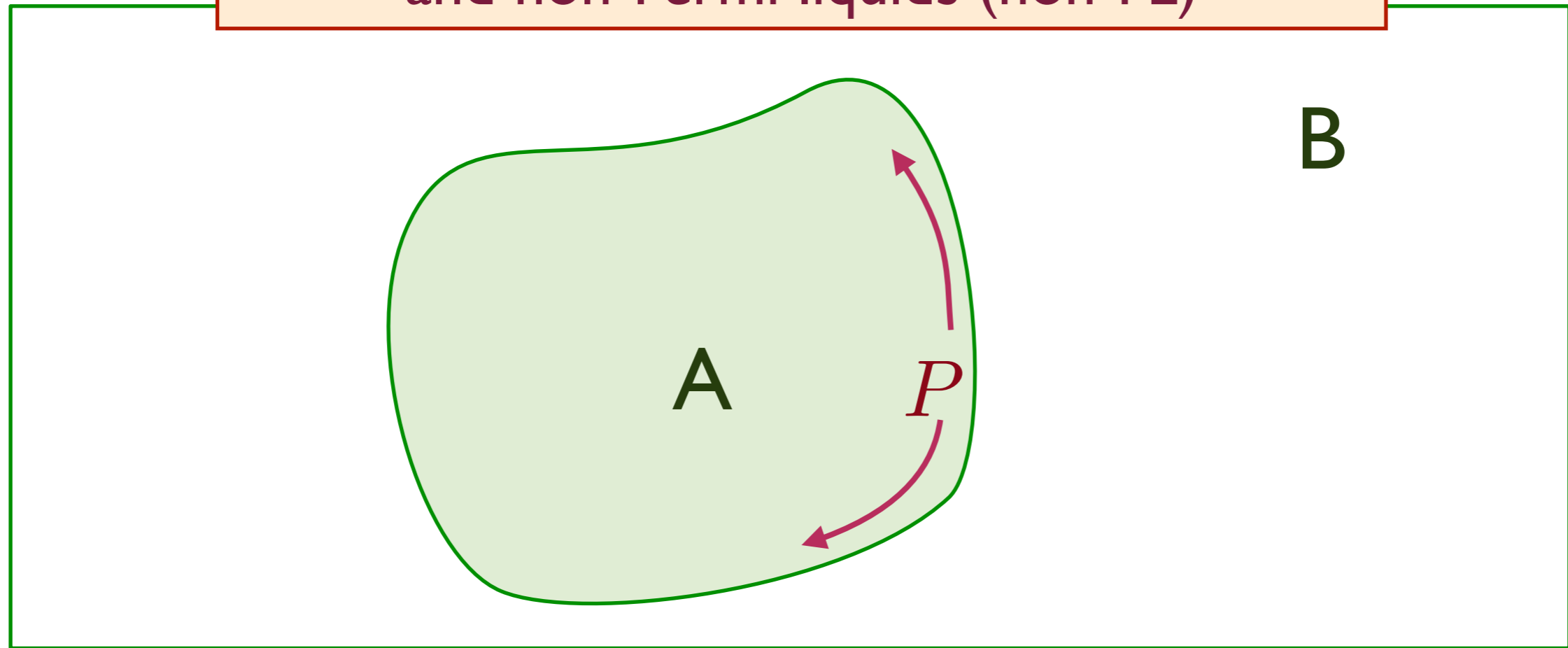
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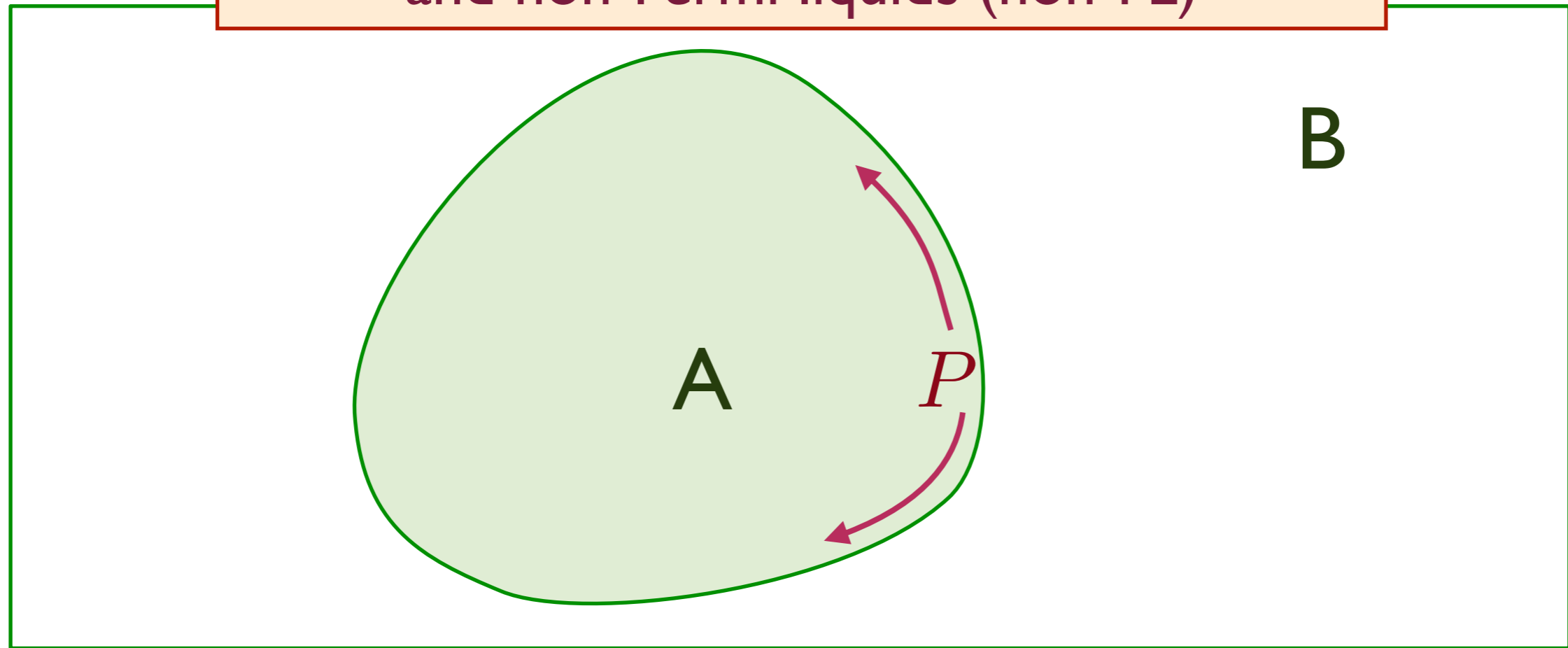
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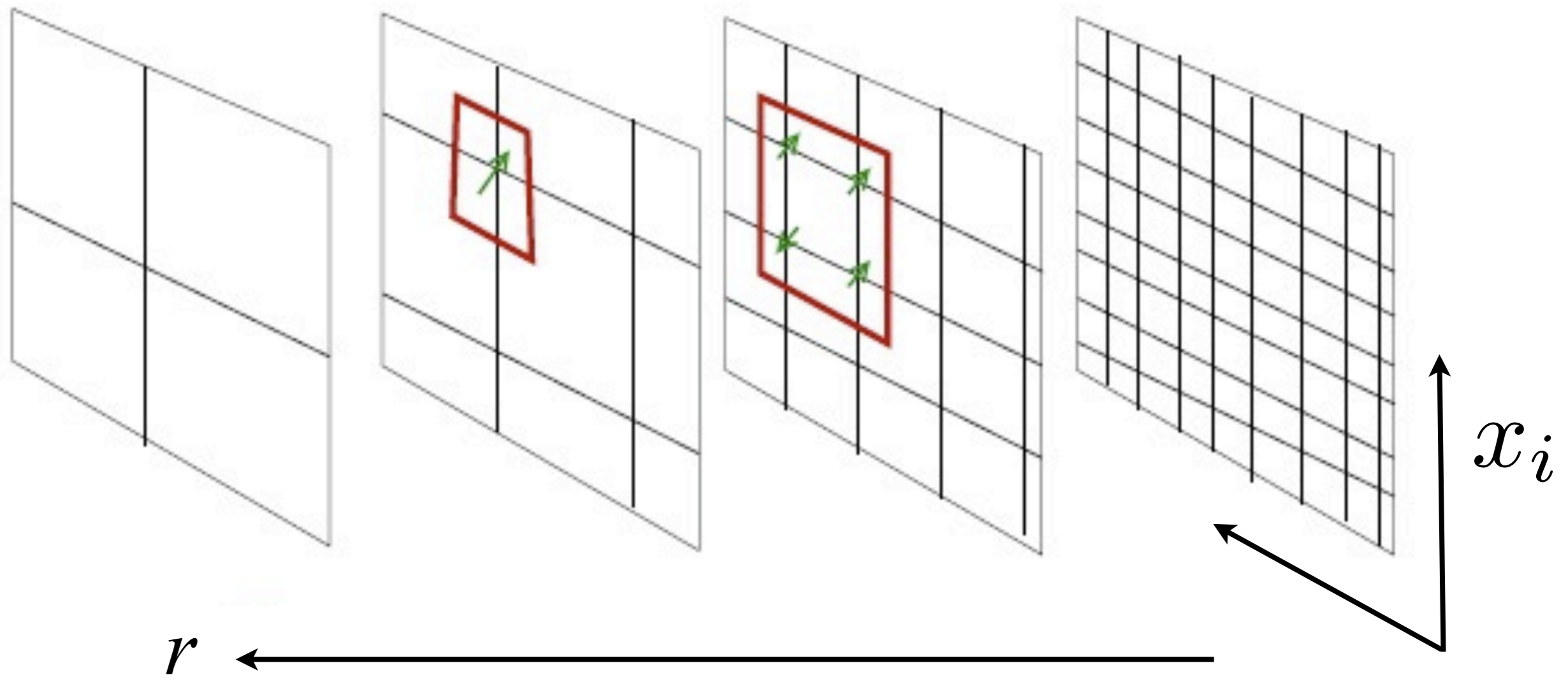
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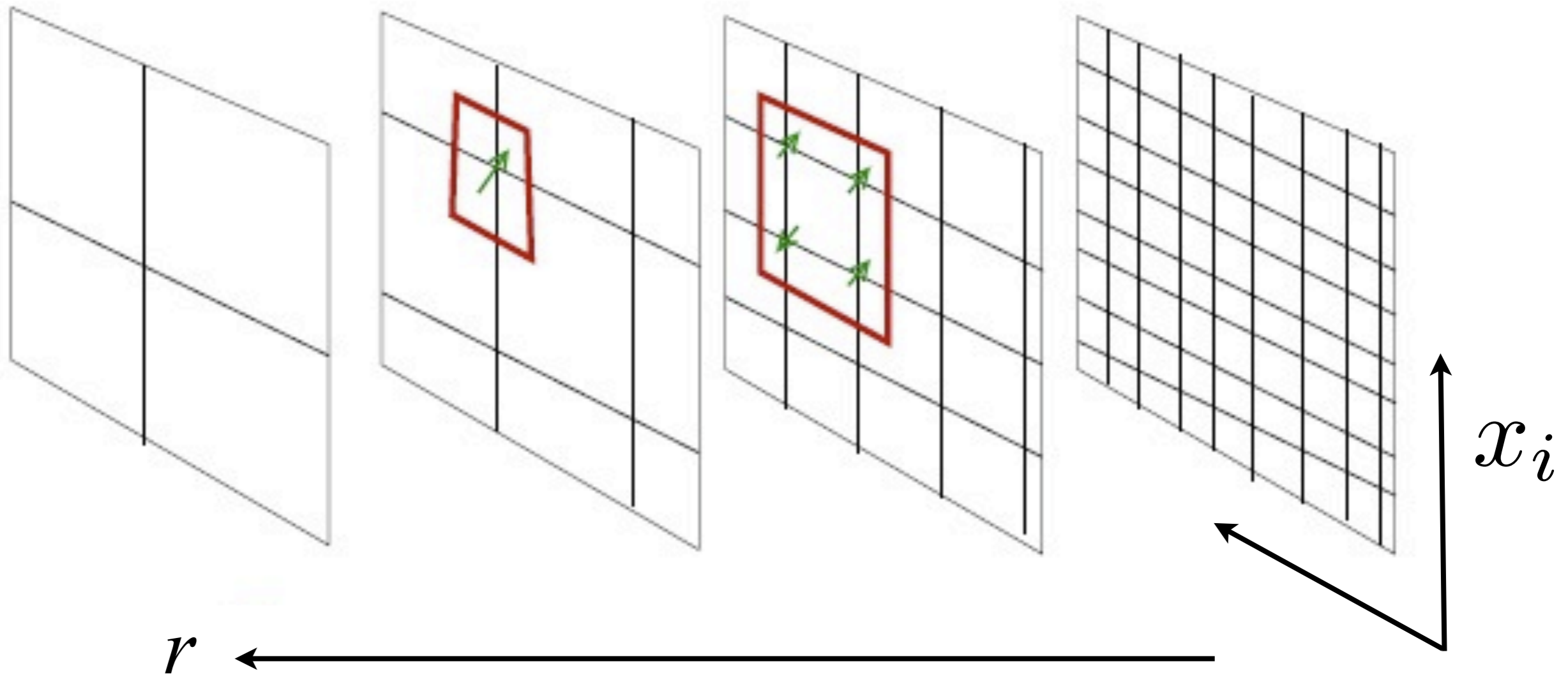
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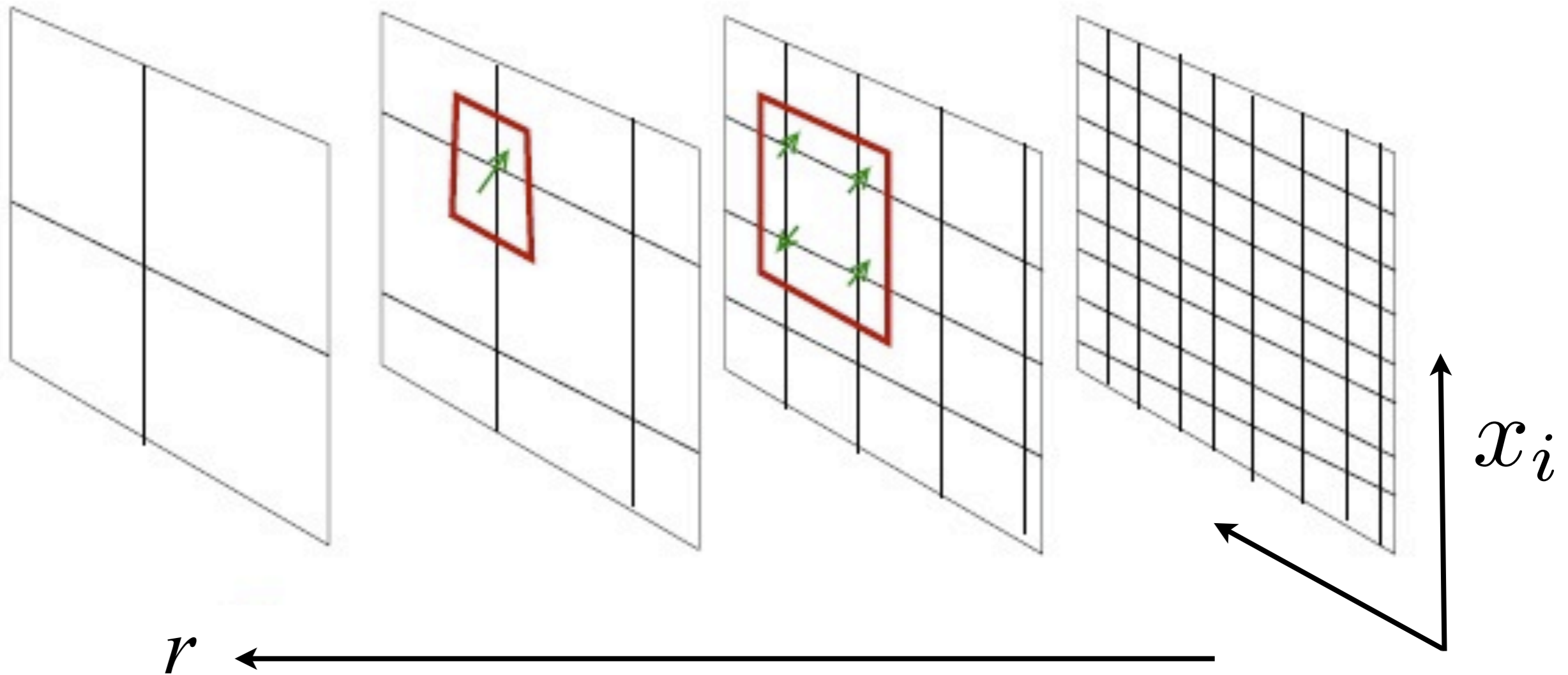


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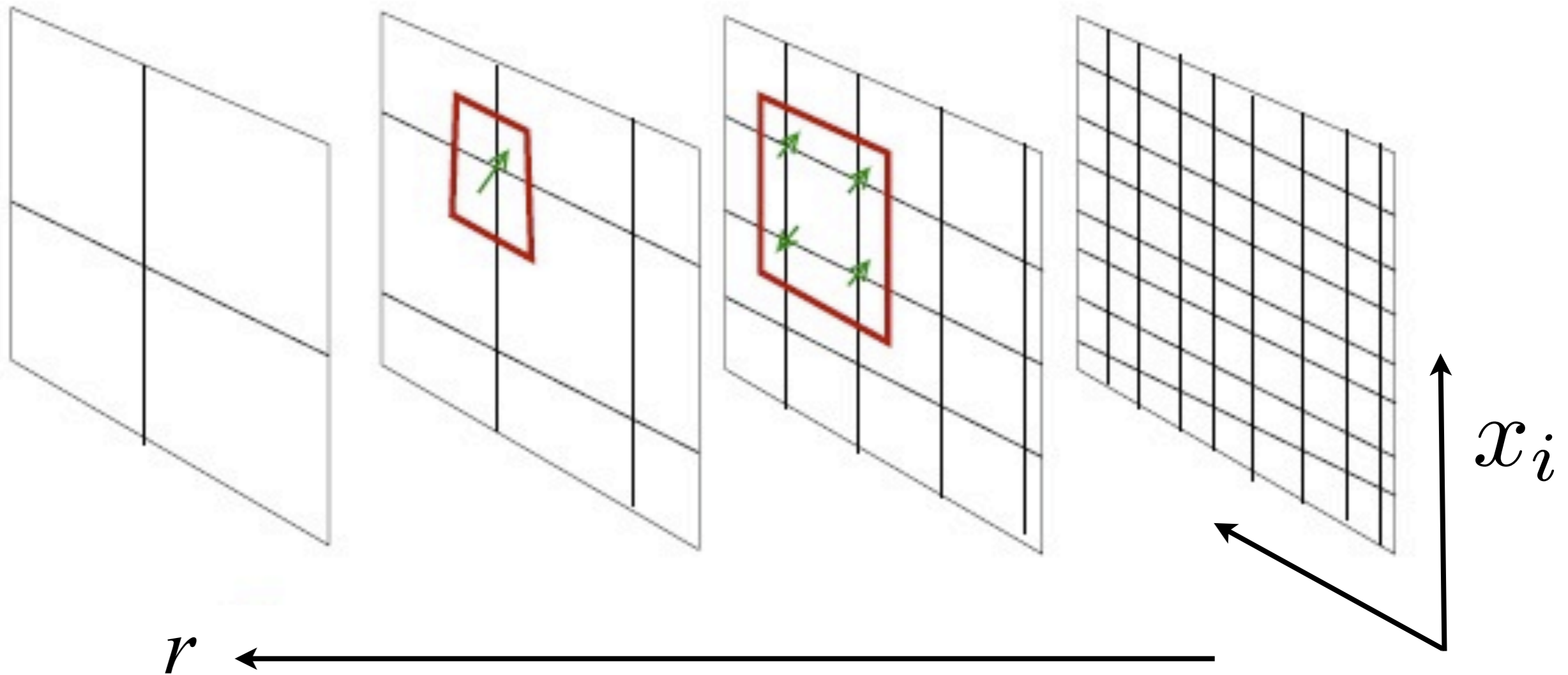
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