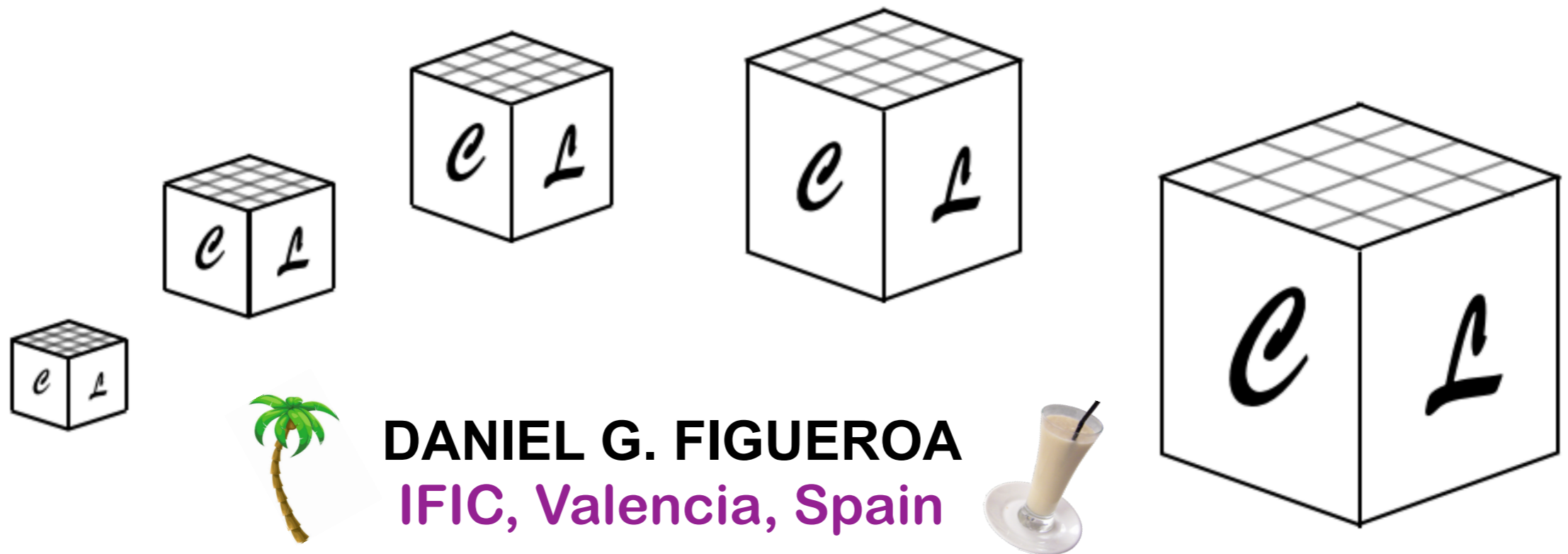
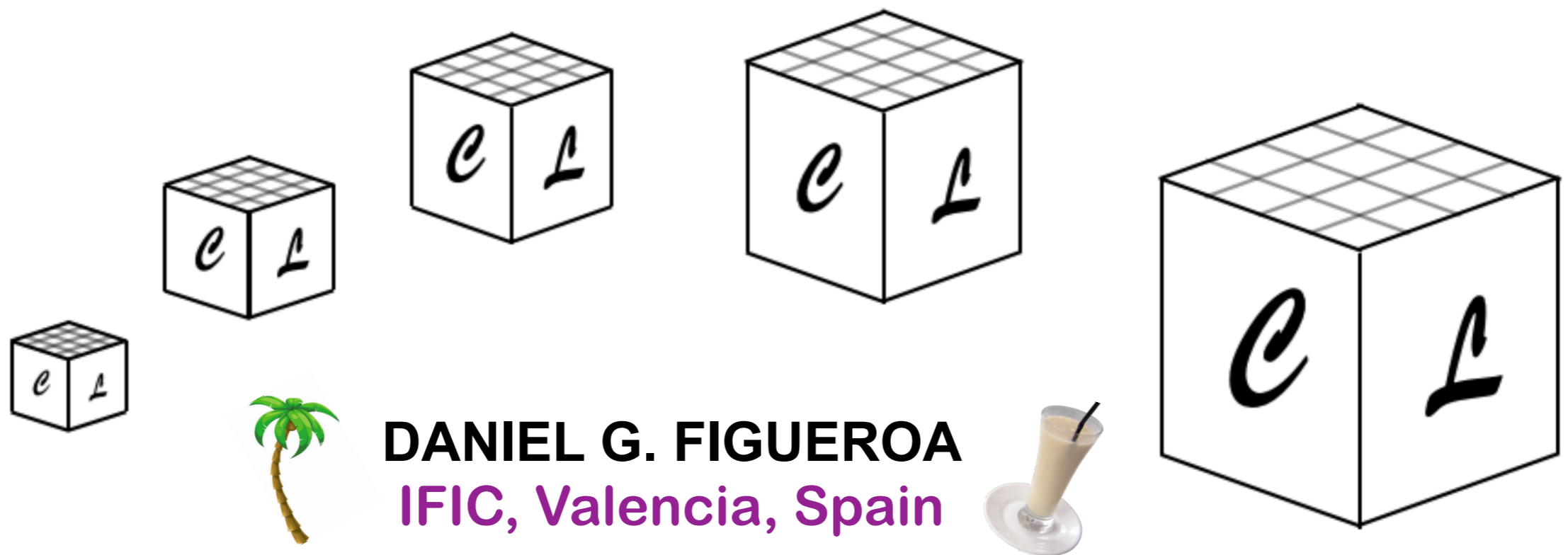


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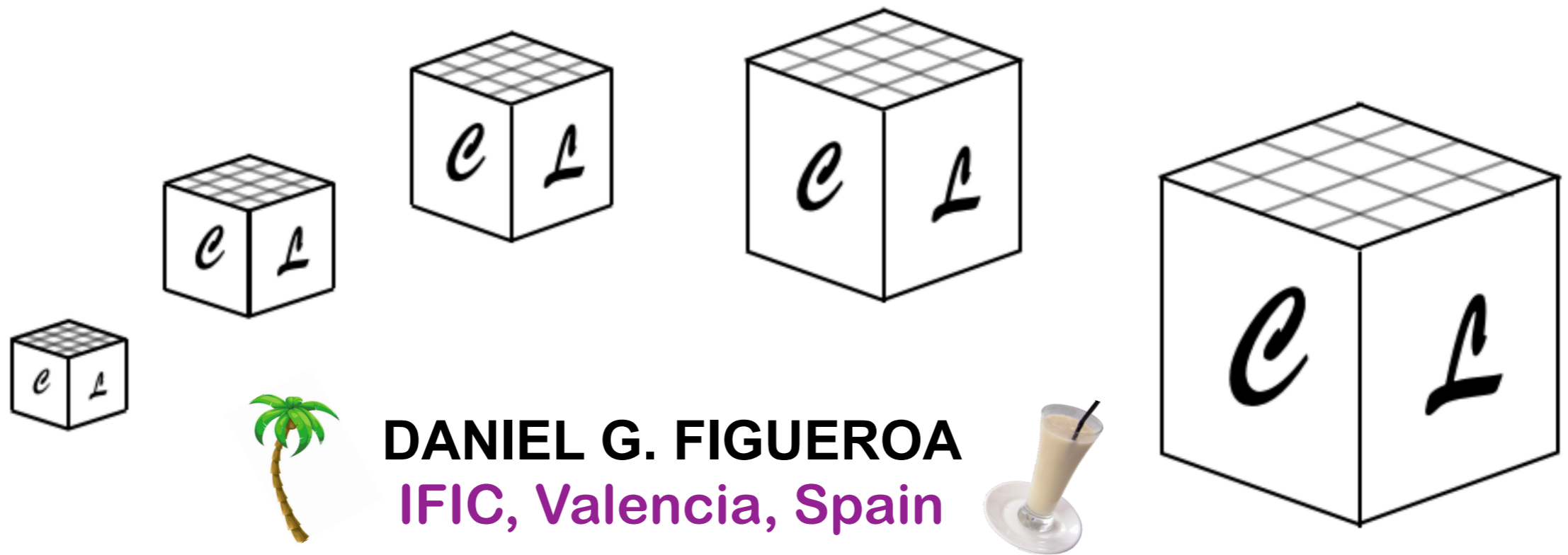
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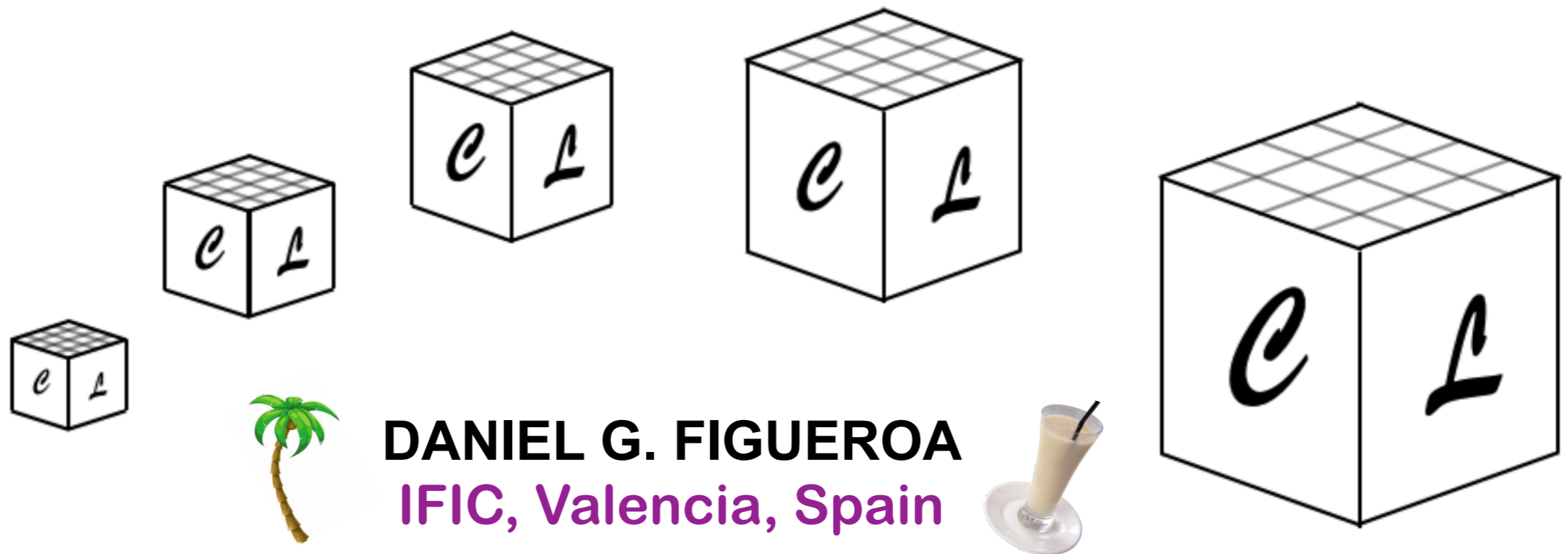


# Lattice Techniques in Cosmology



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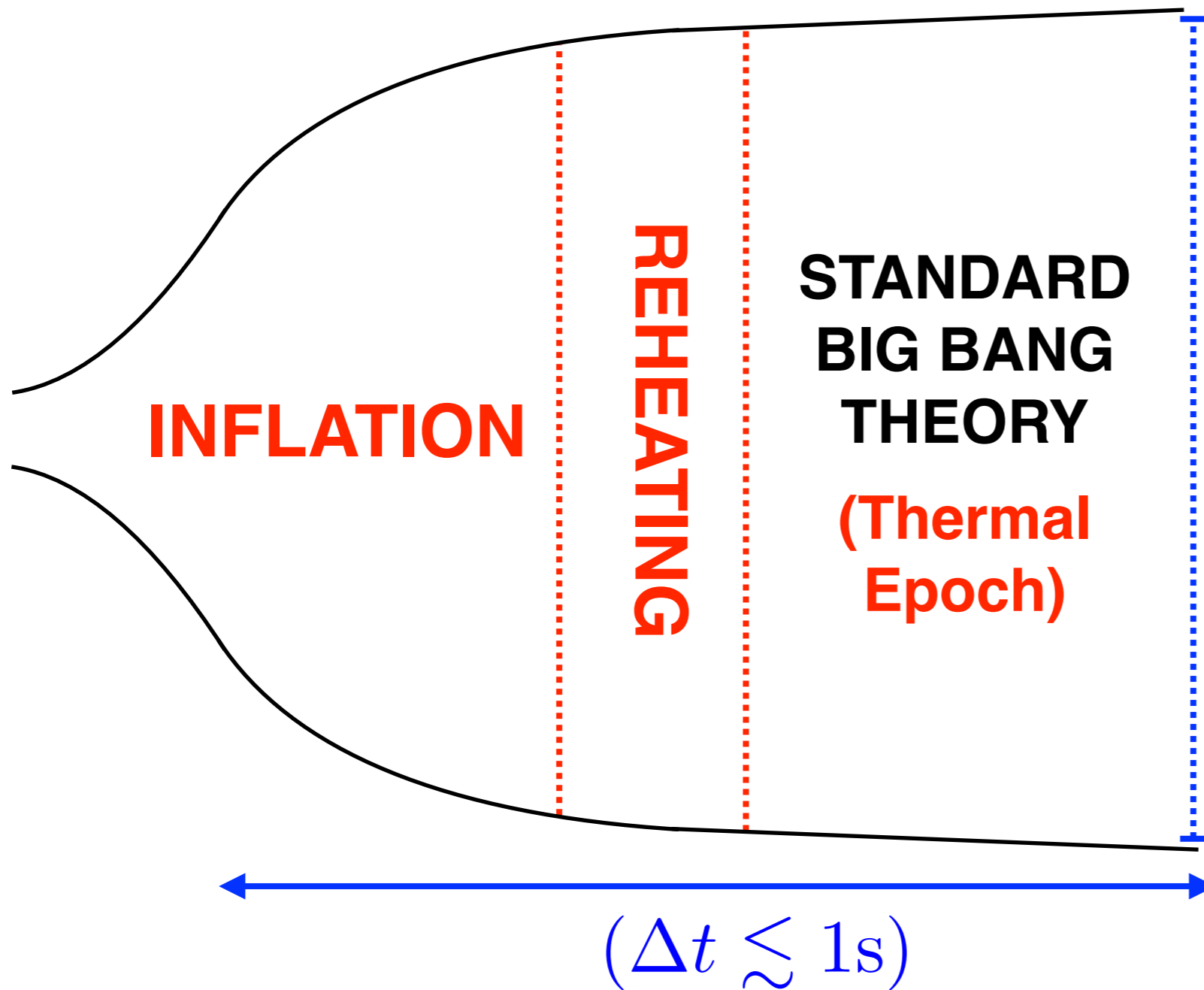
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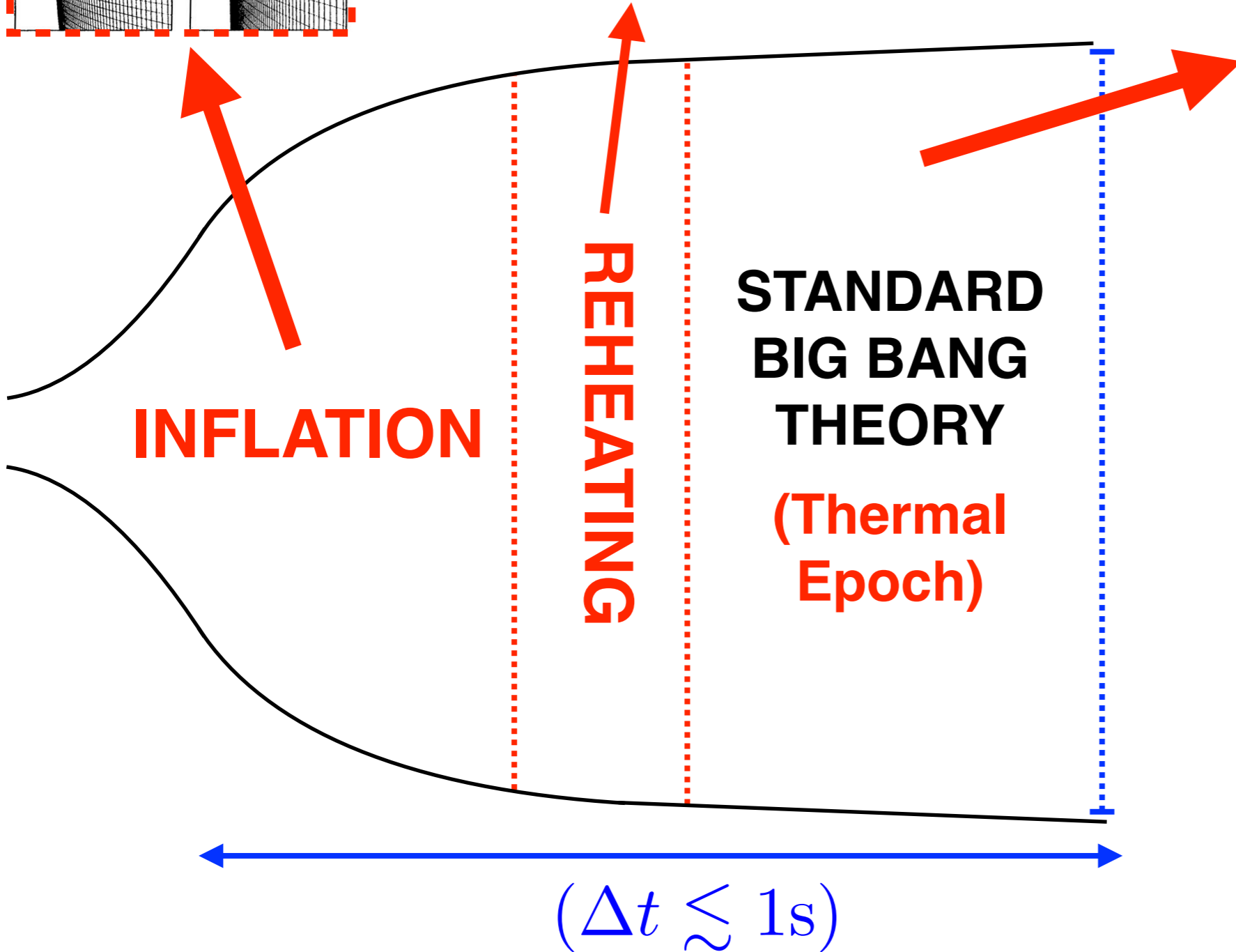
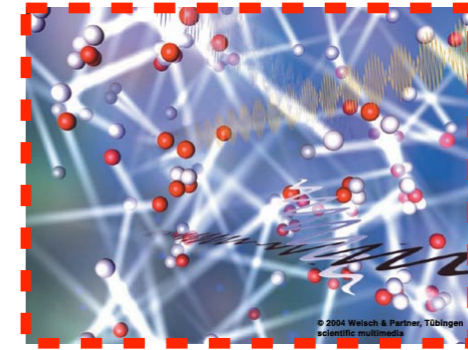
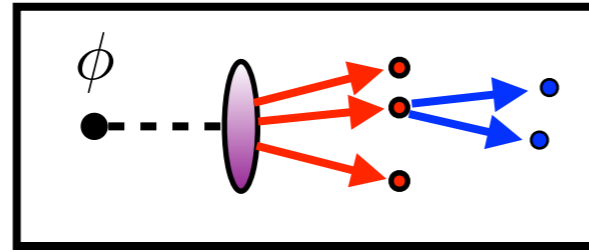
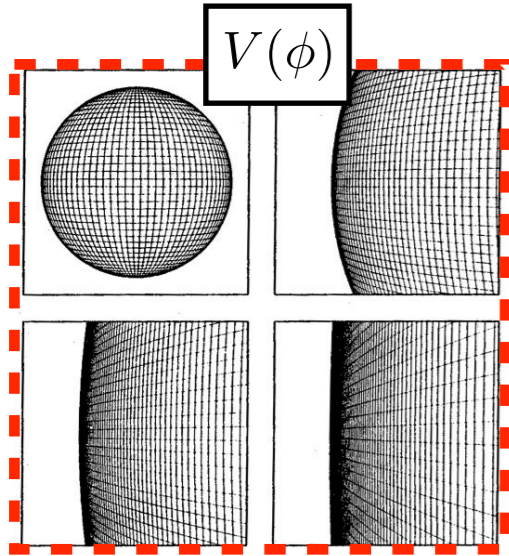
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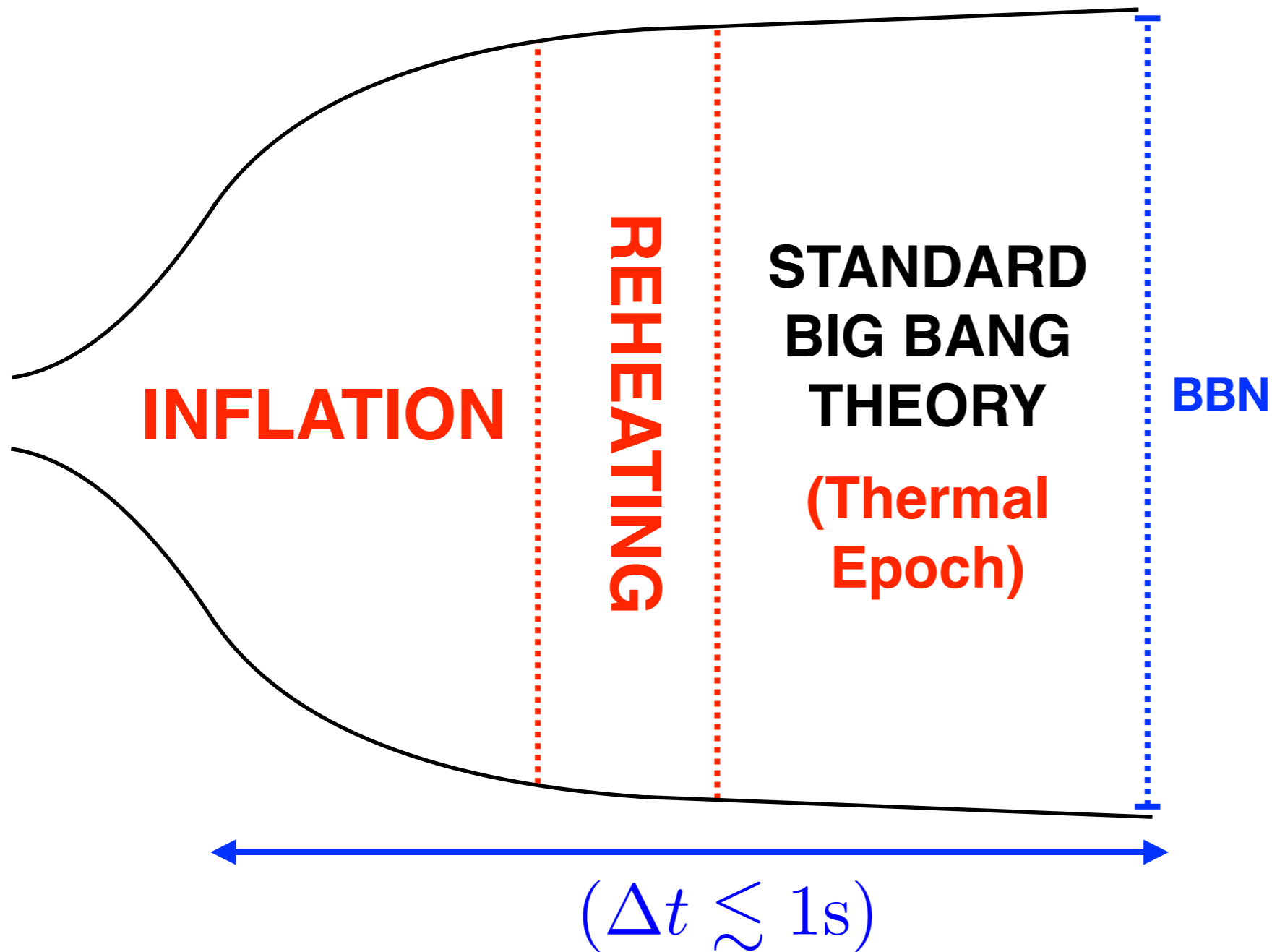
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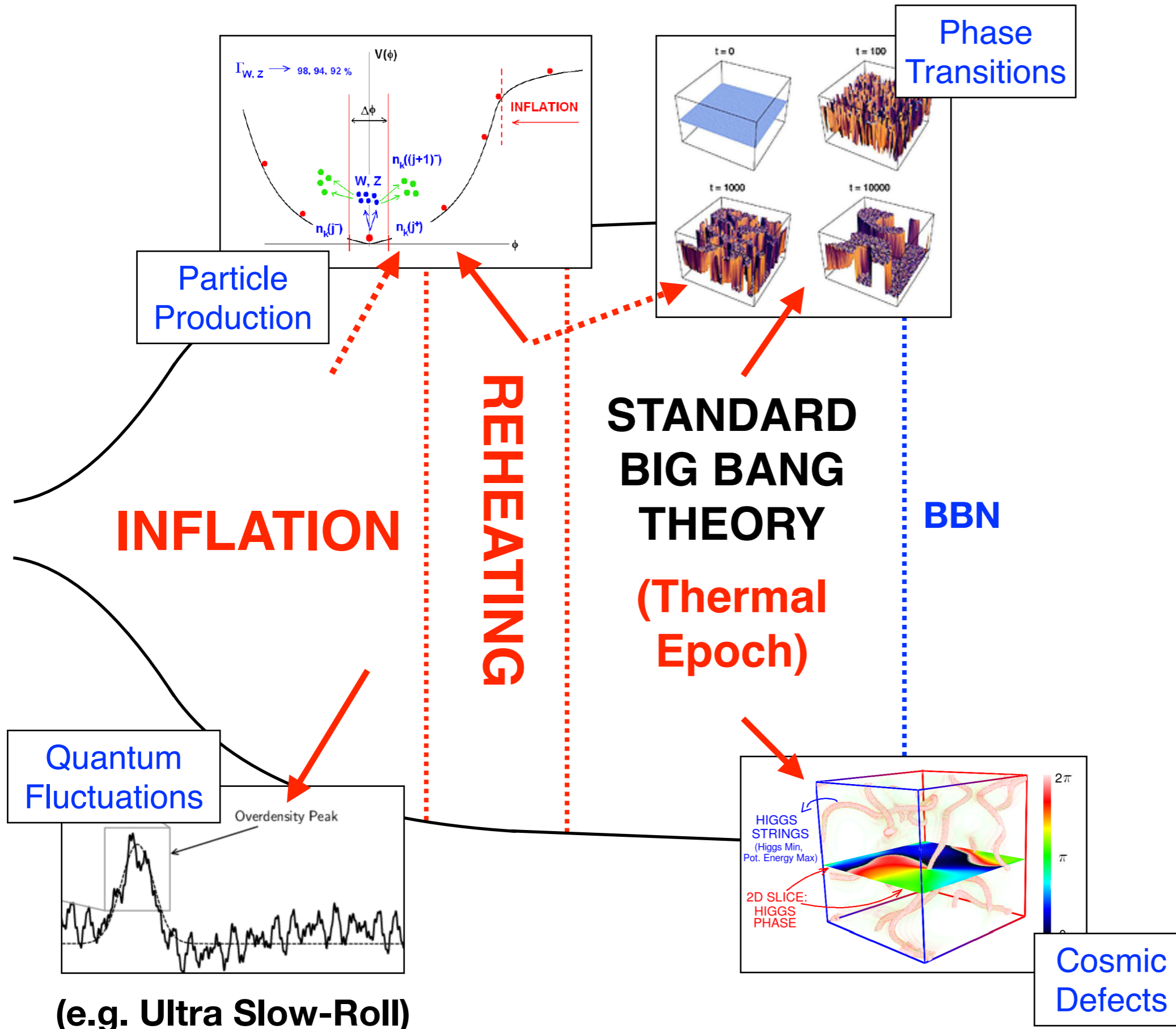


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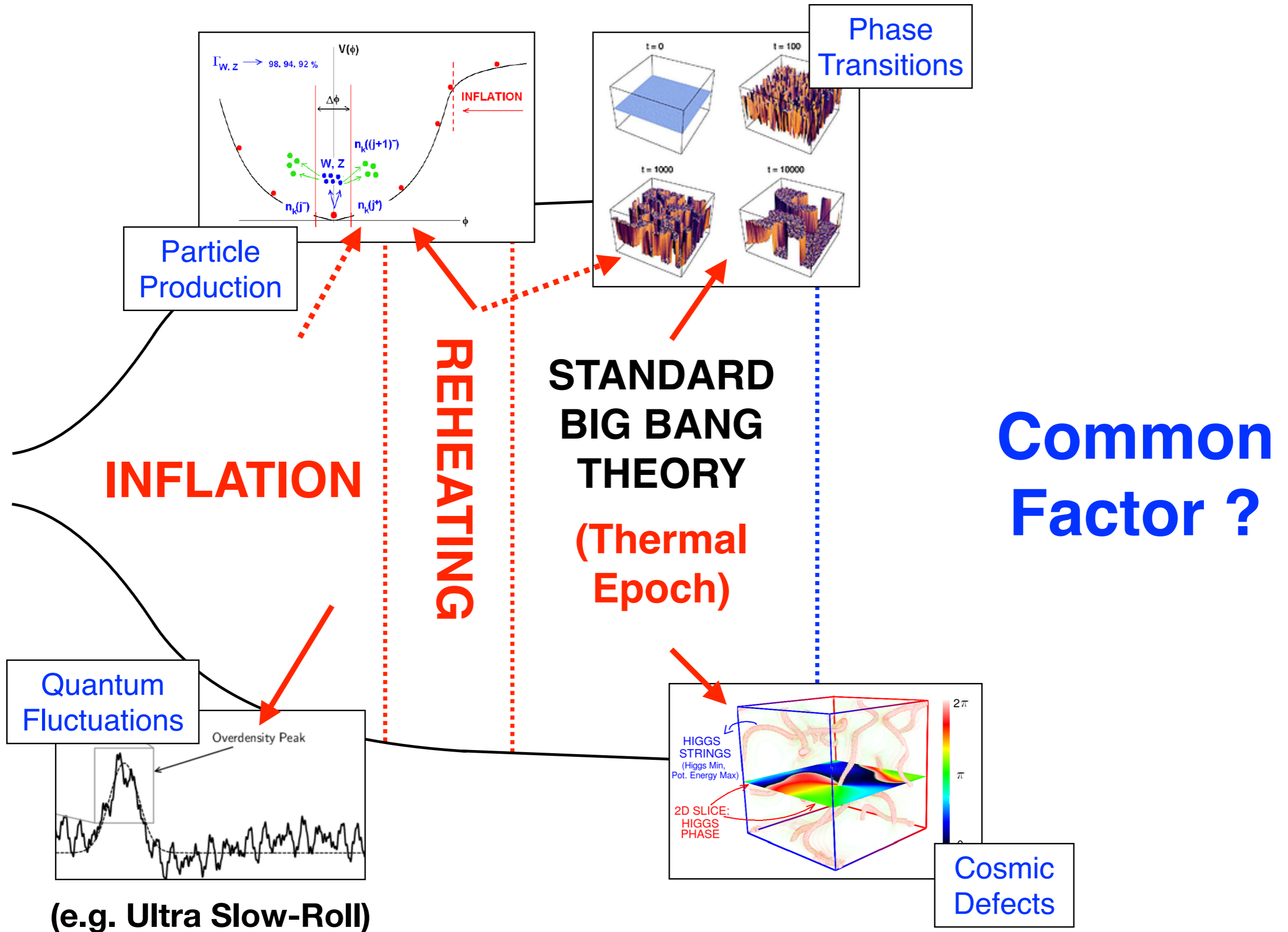




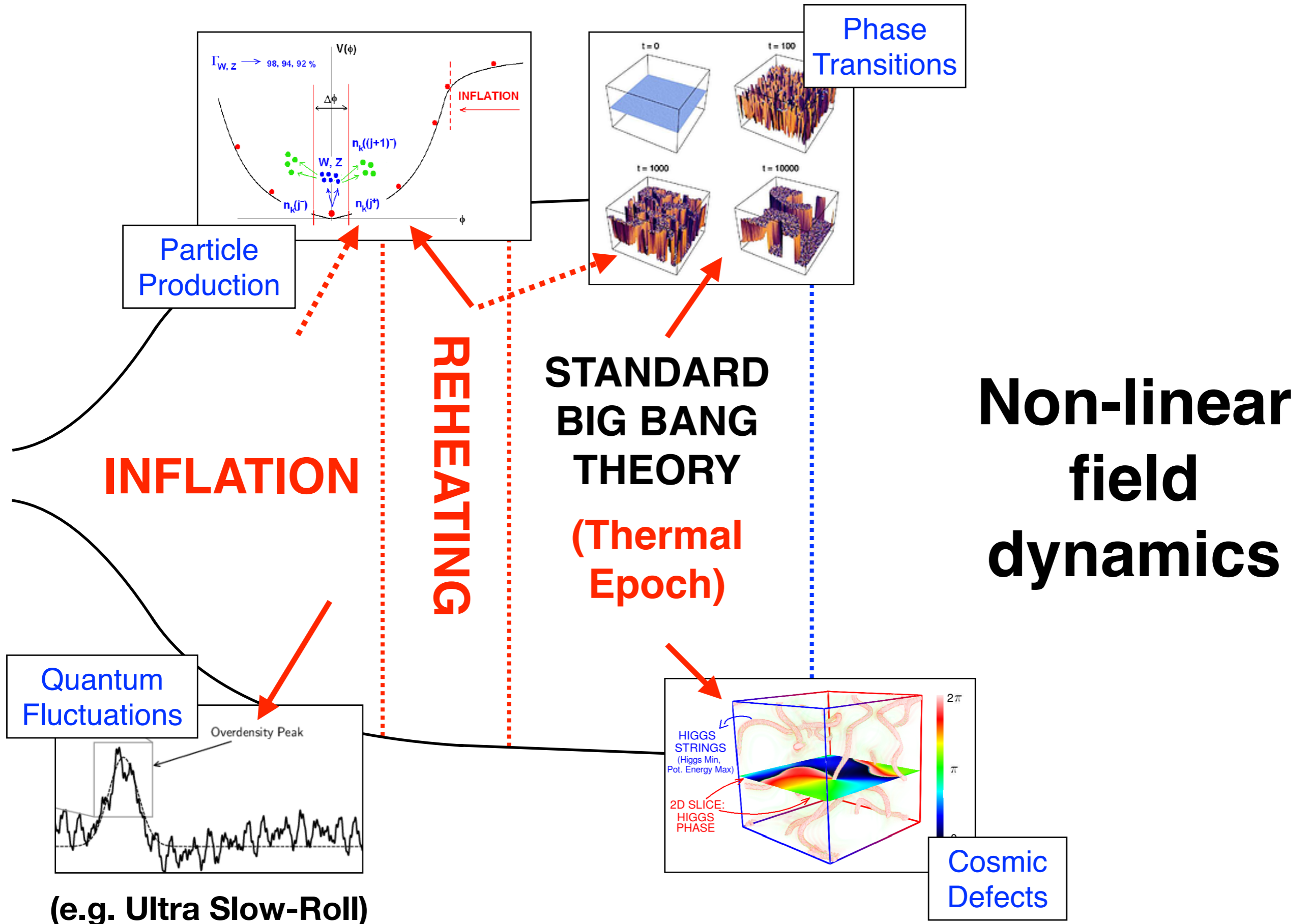
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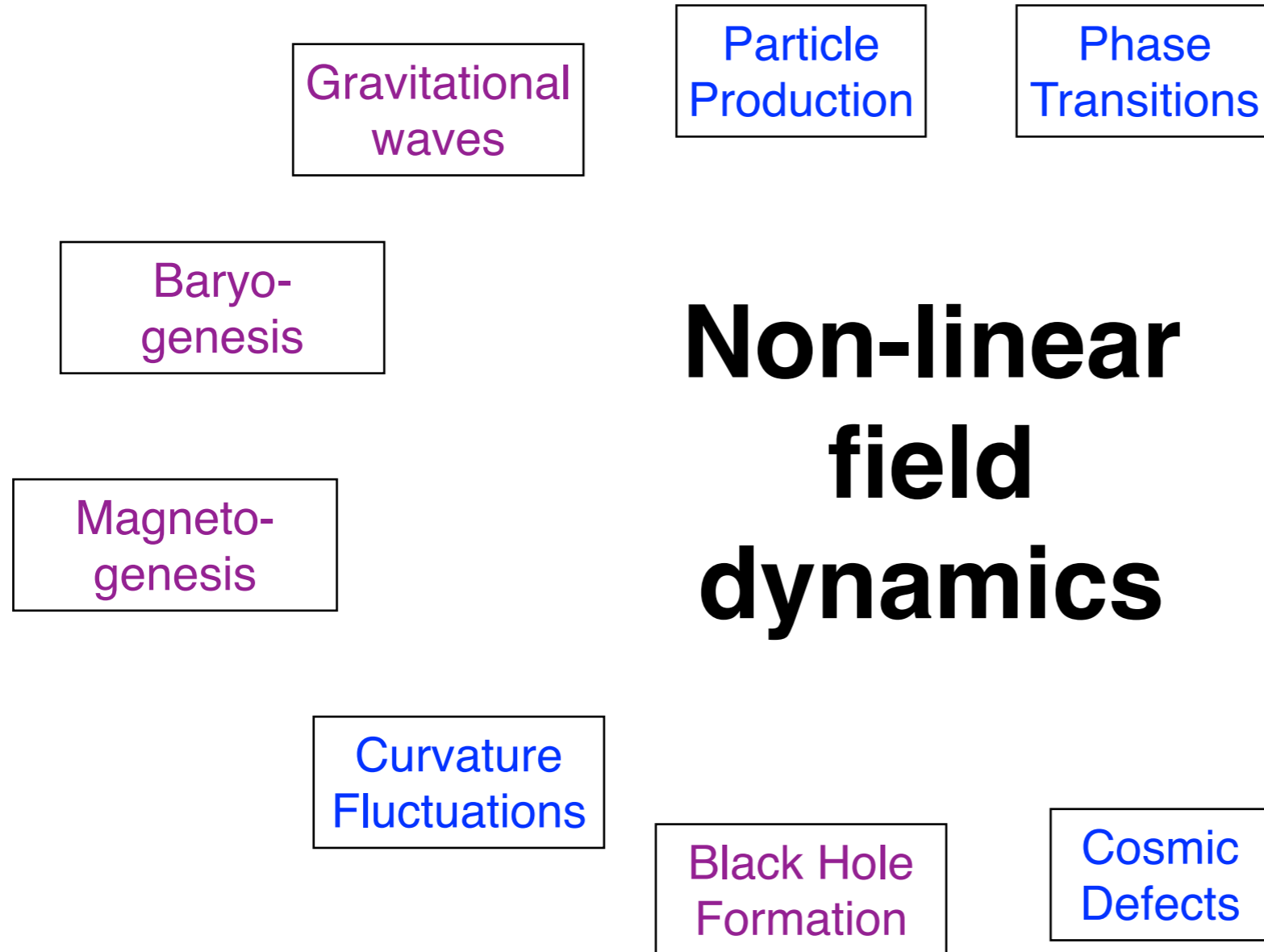
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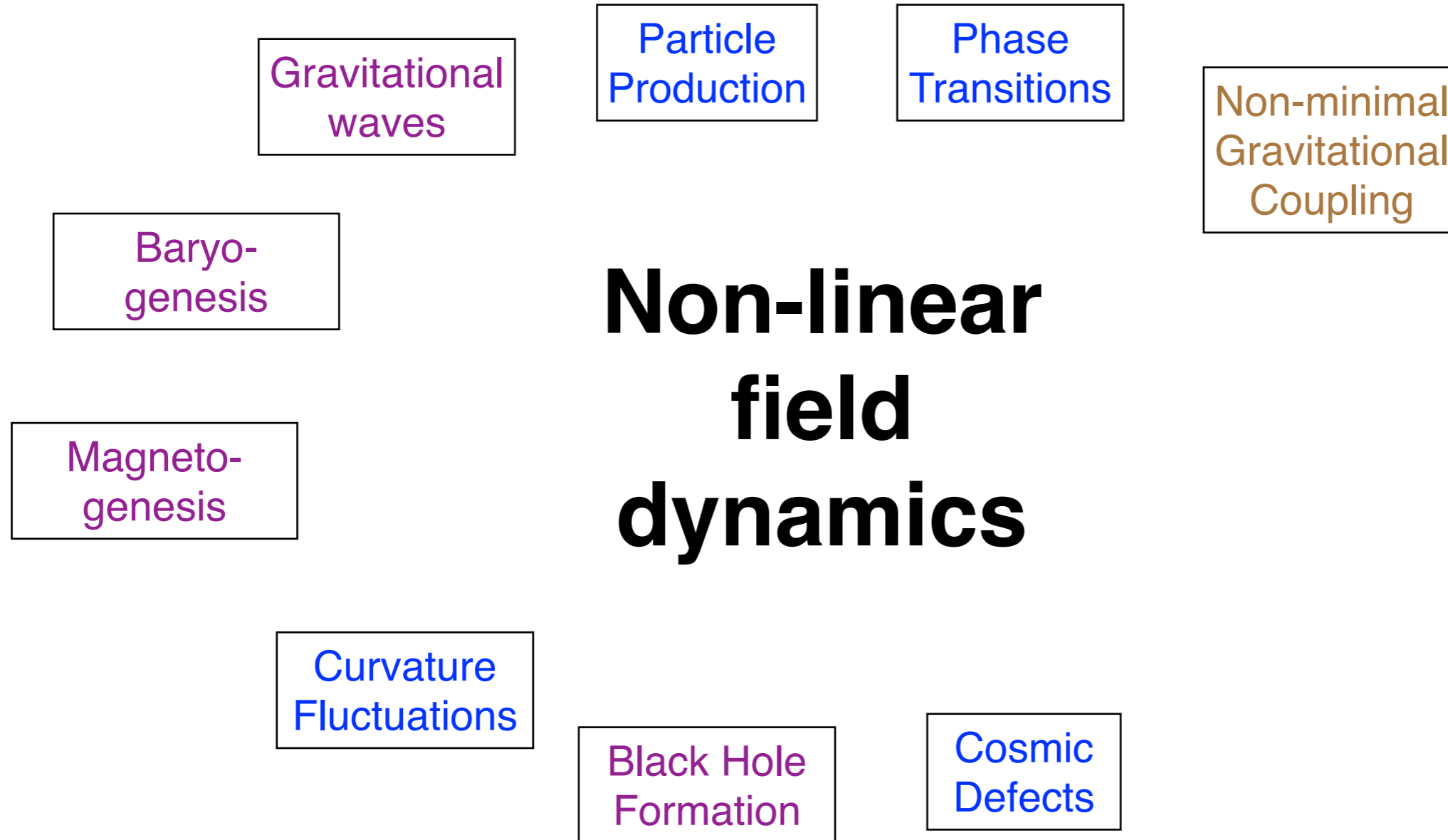
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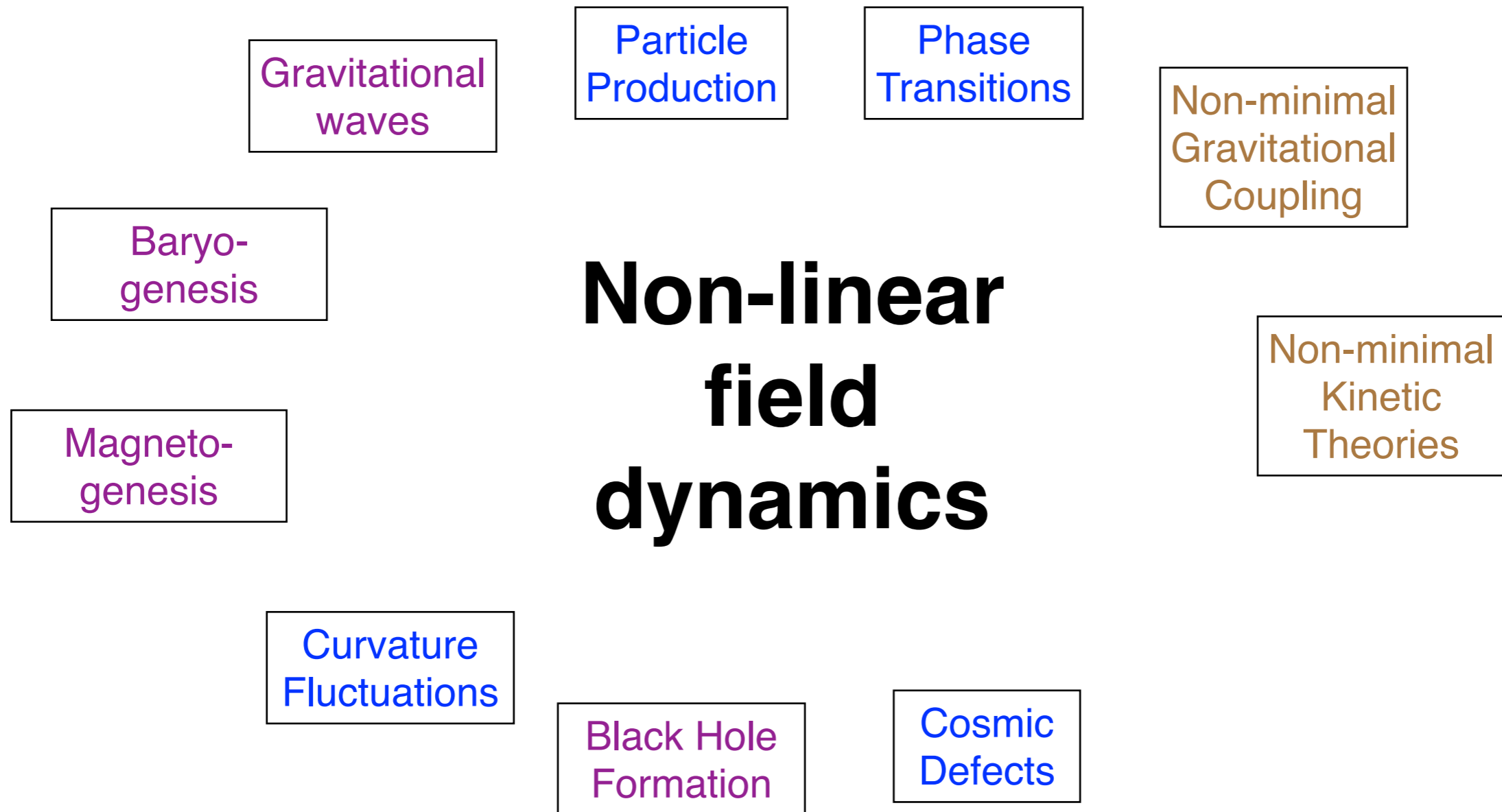
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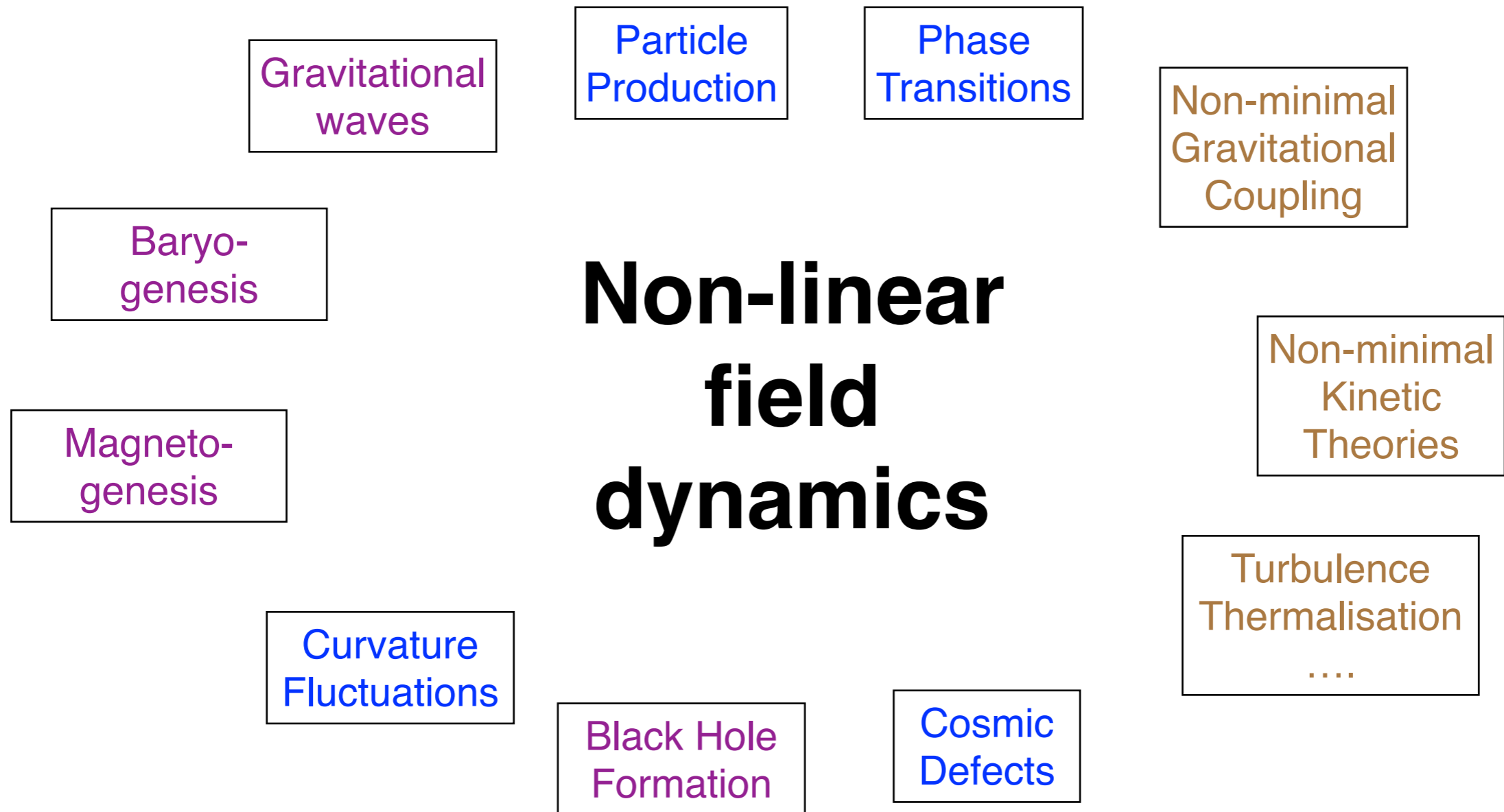
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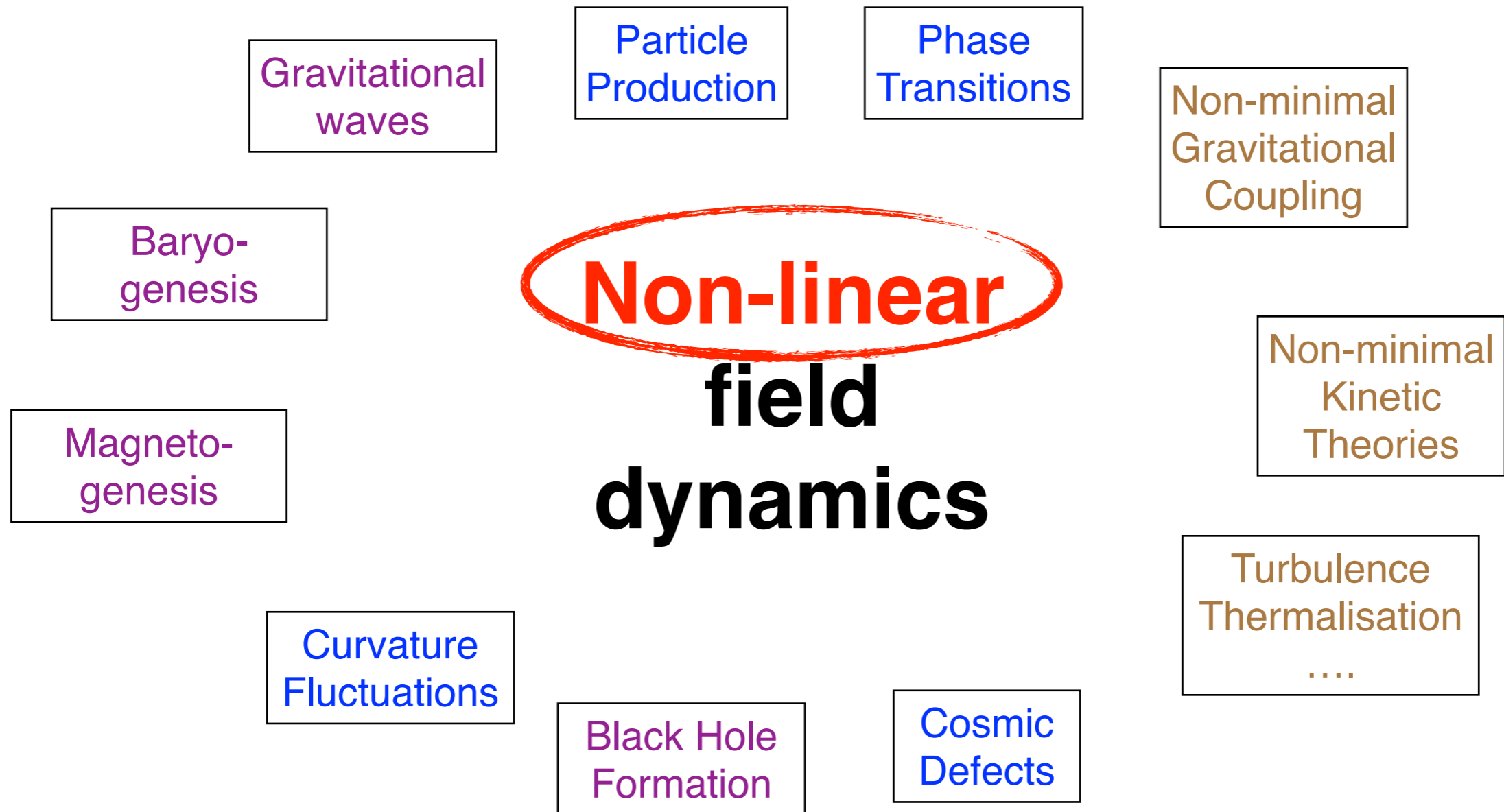
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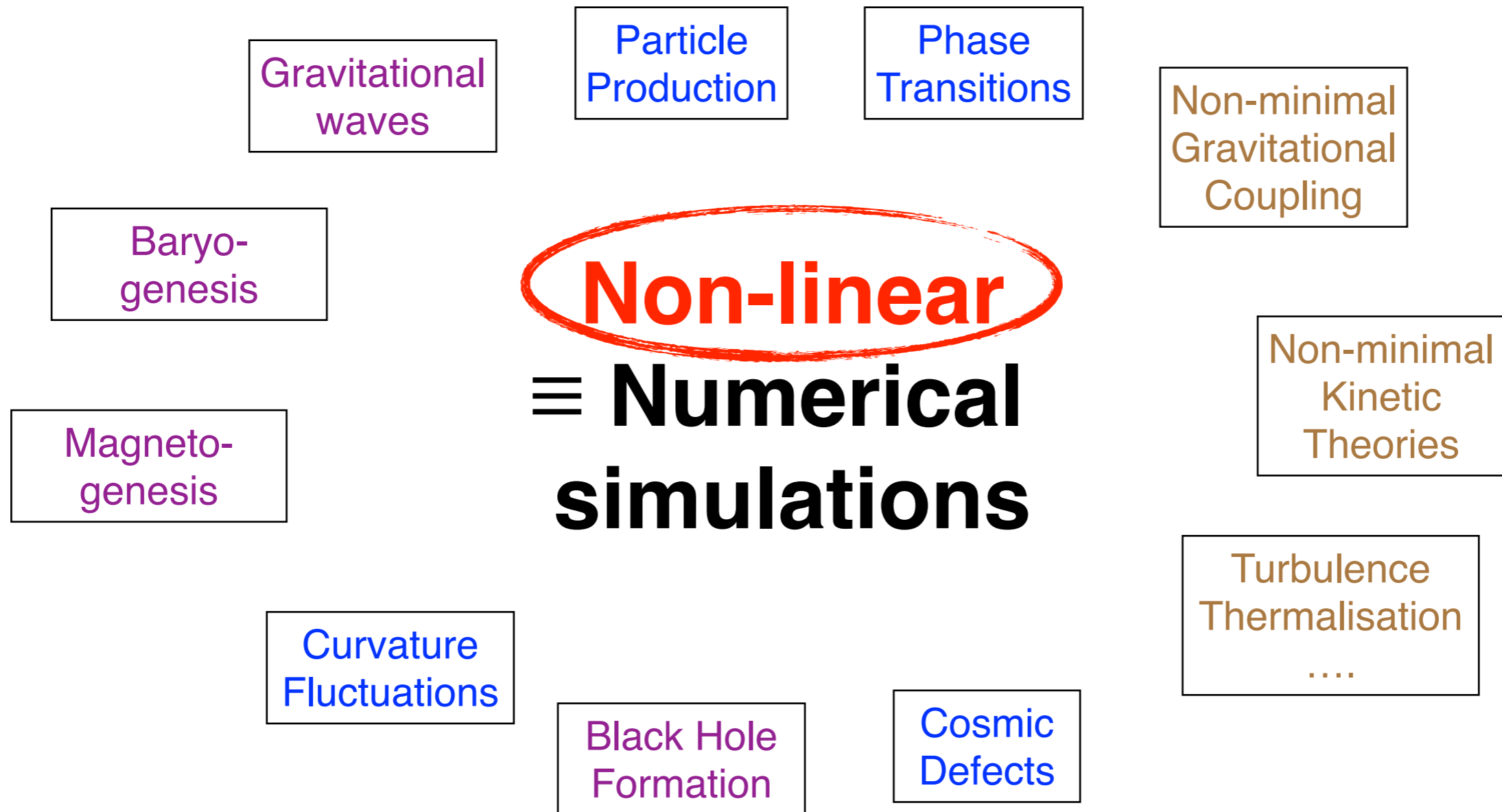
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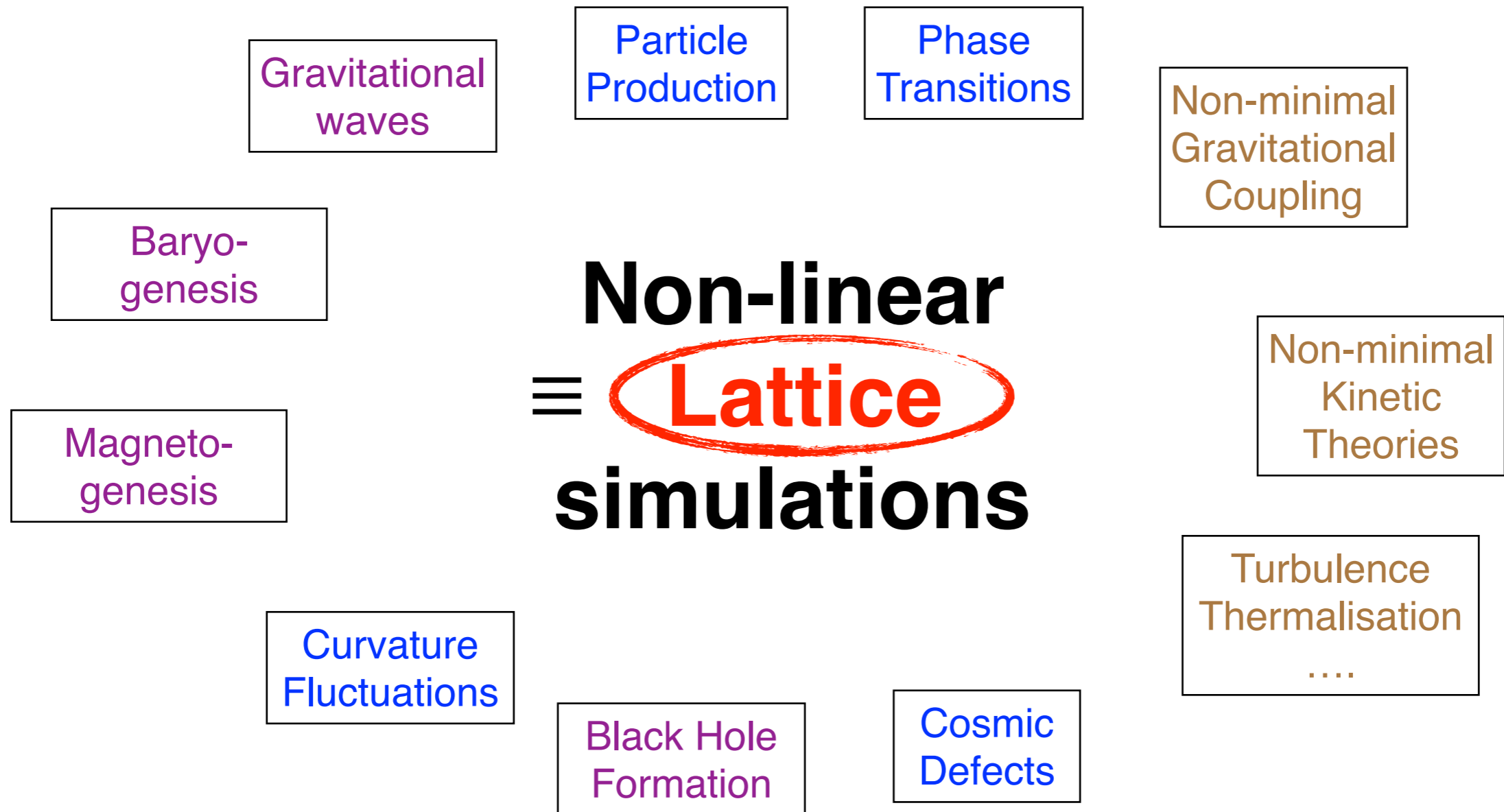
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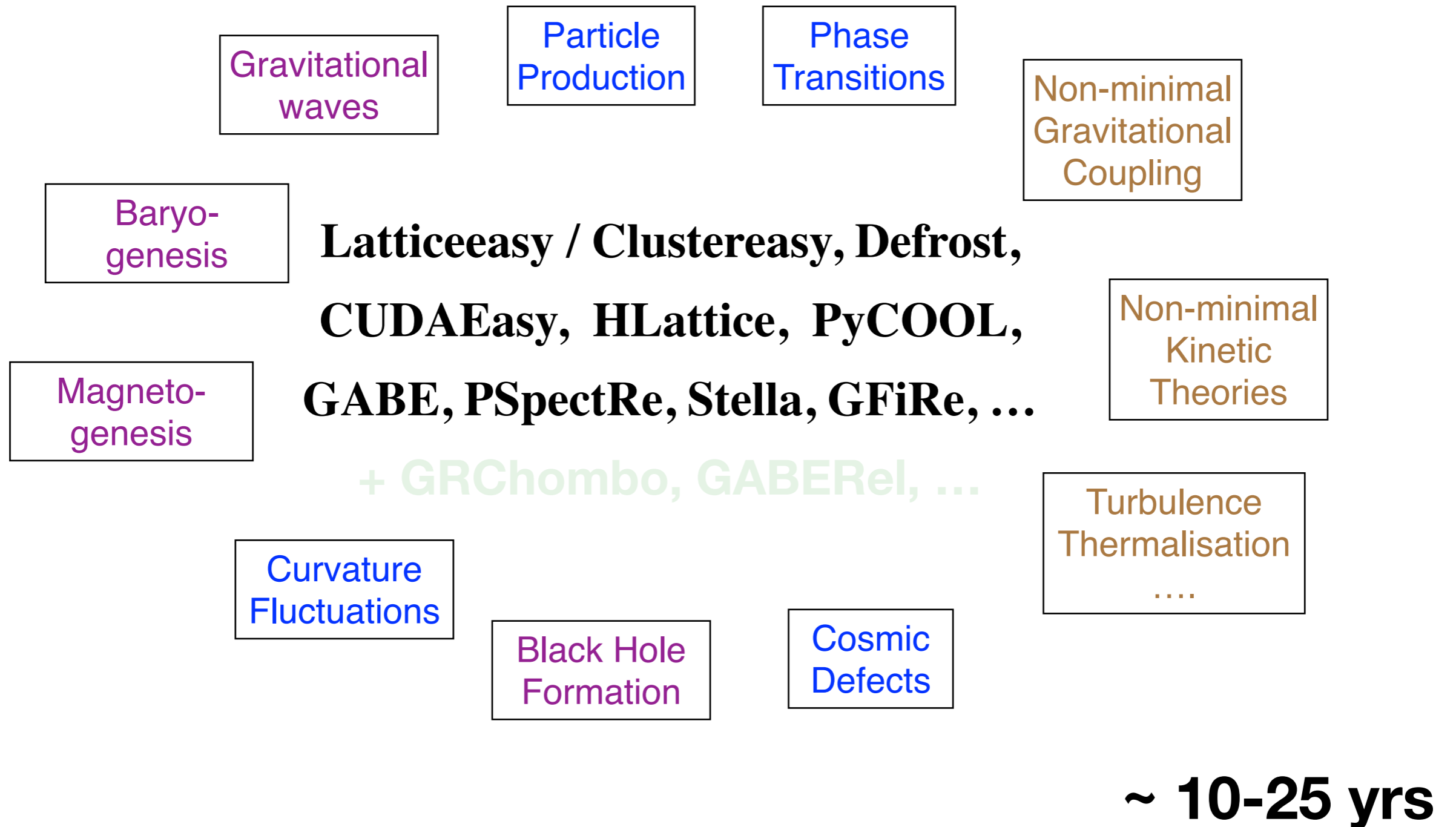
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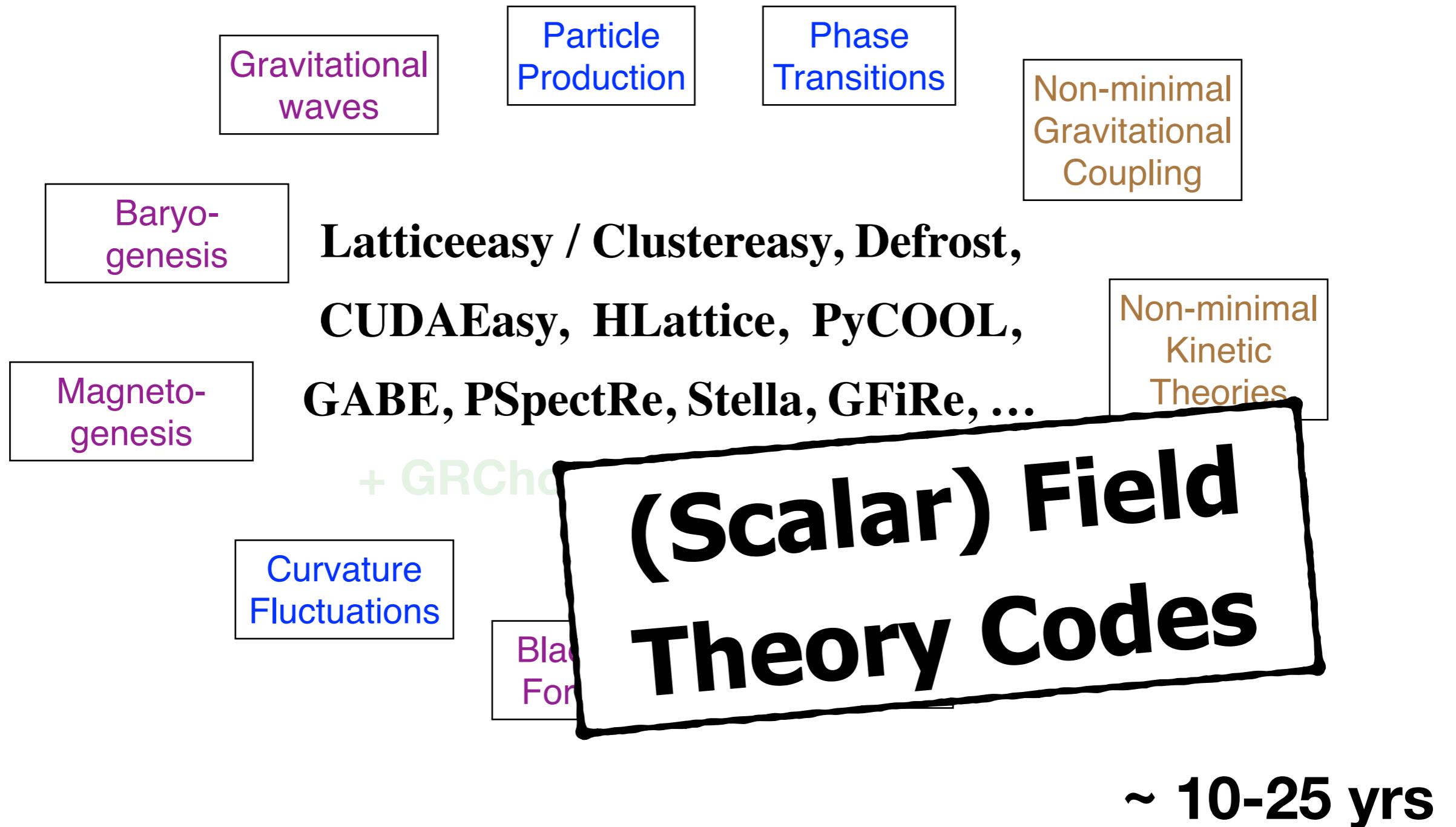


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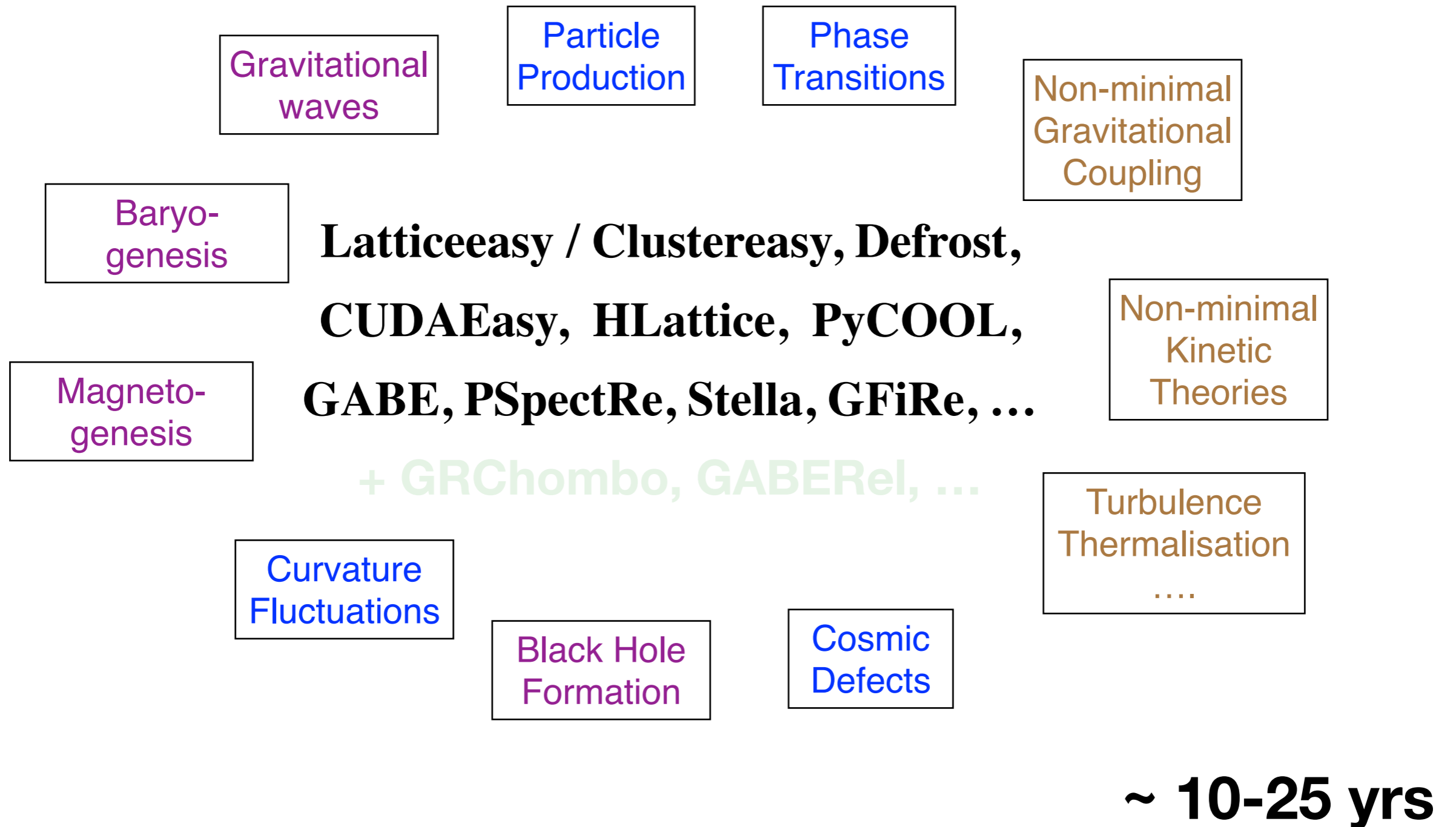




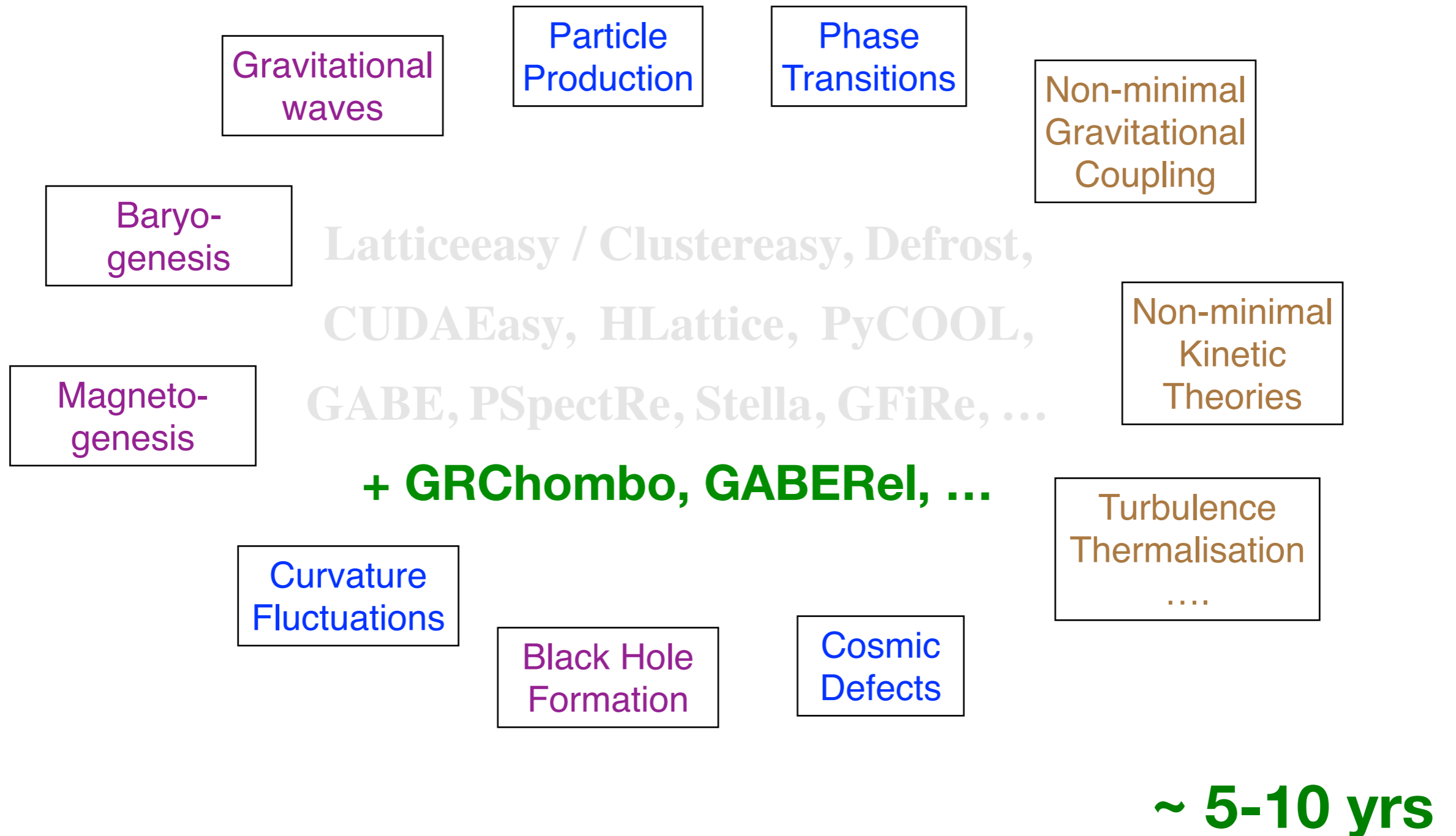
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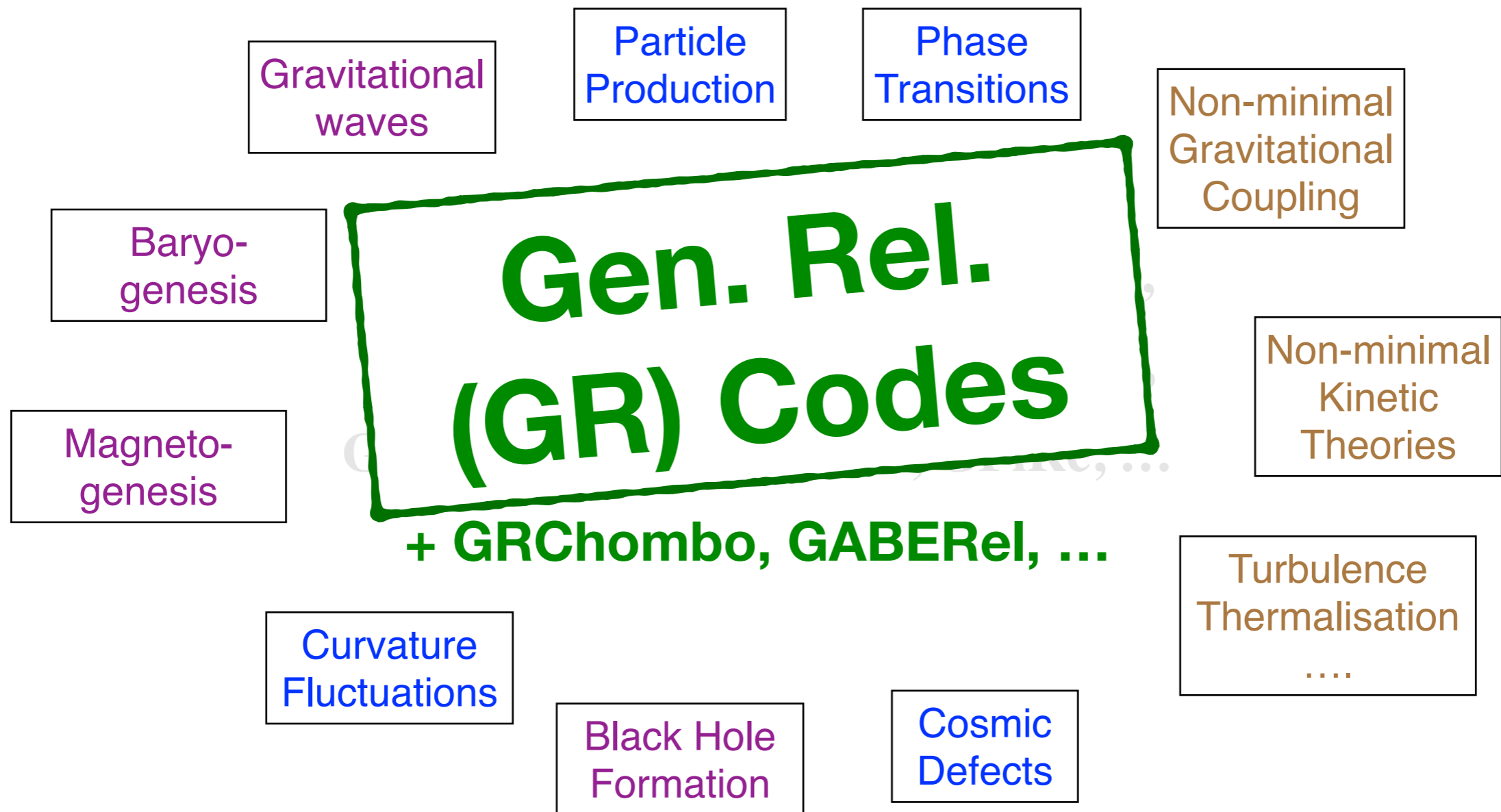
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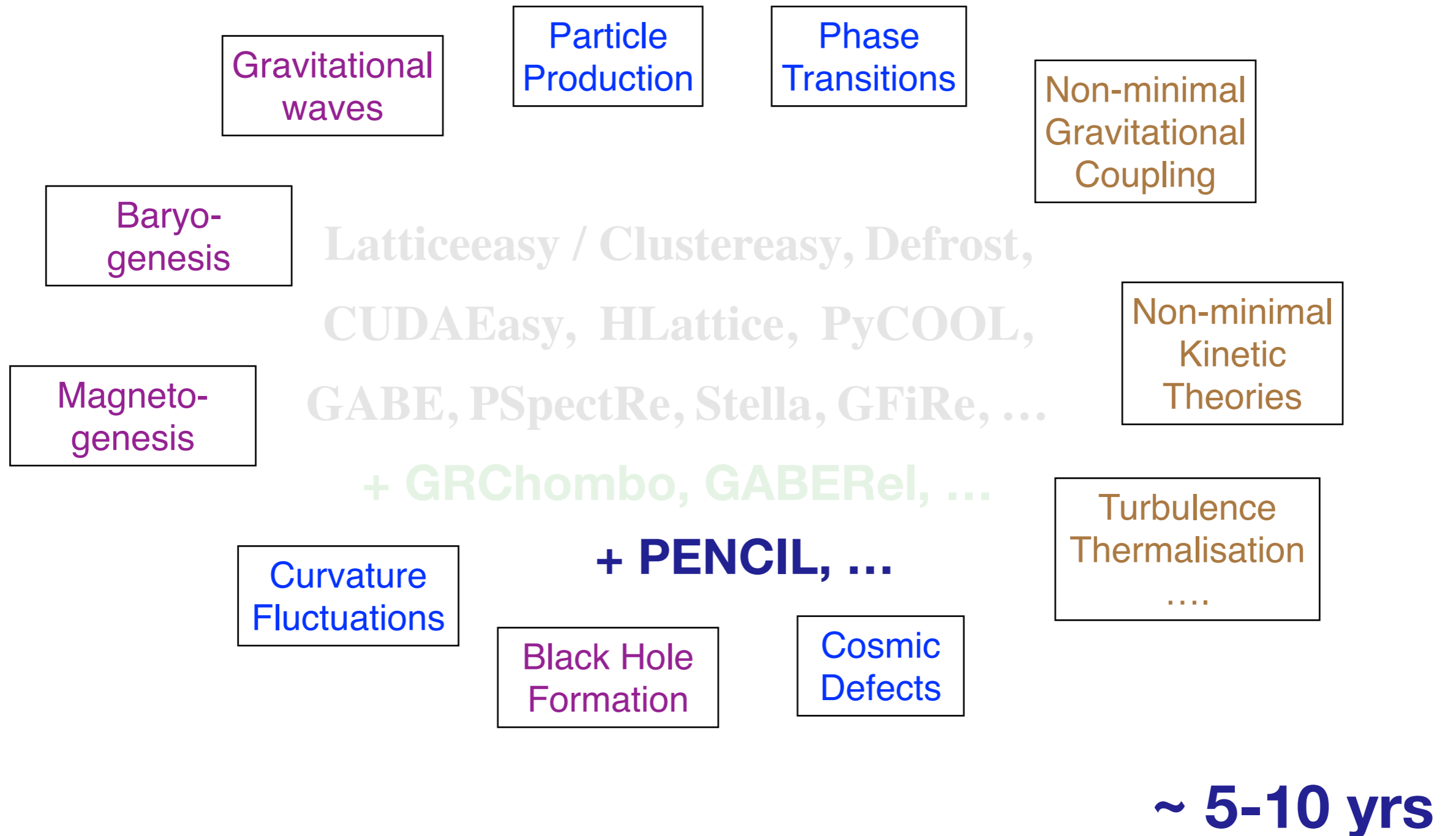


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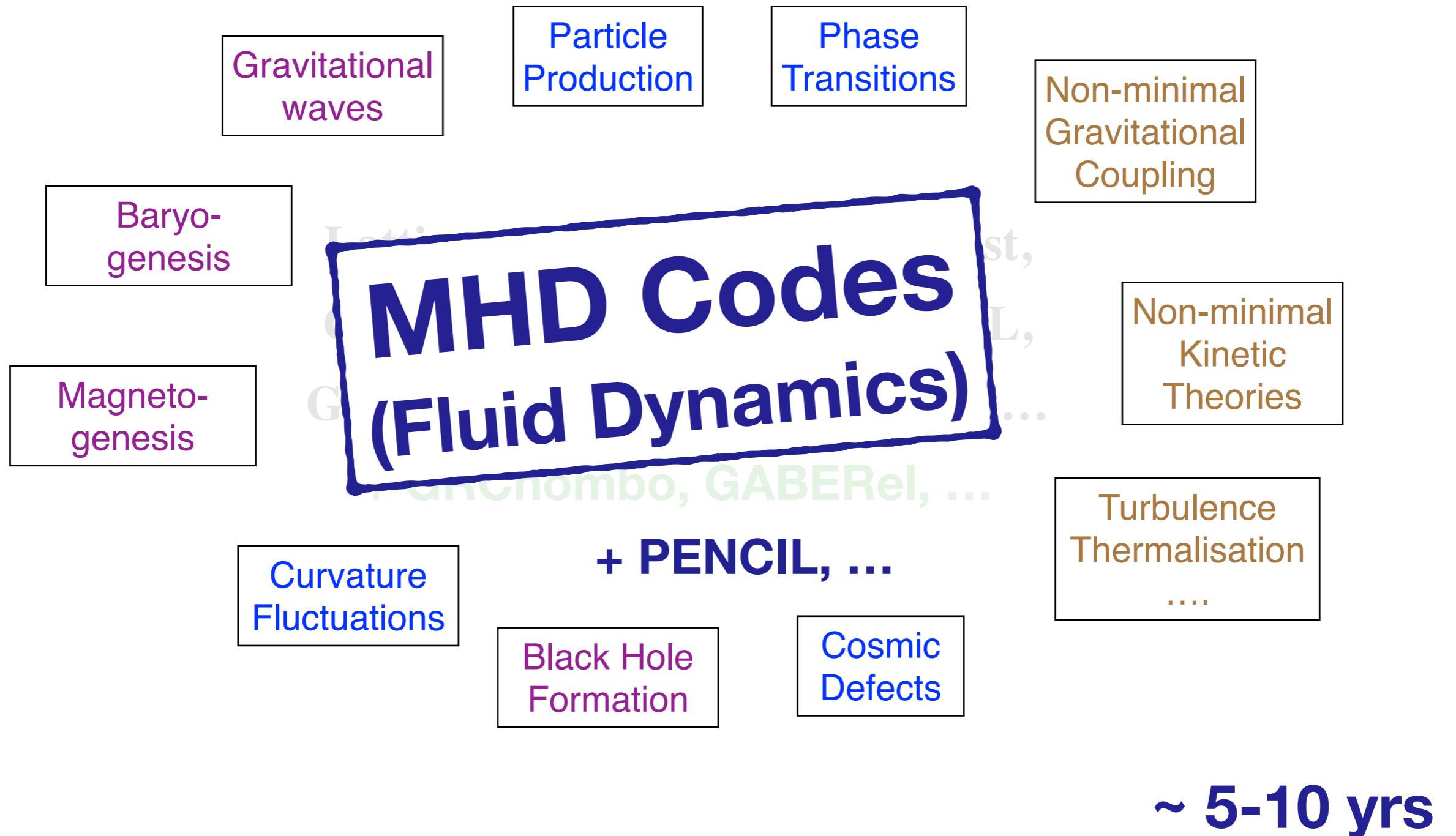


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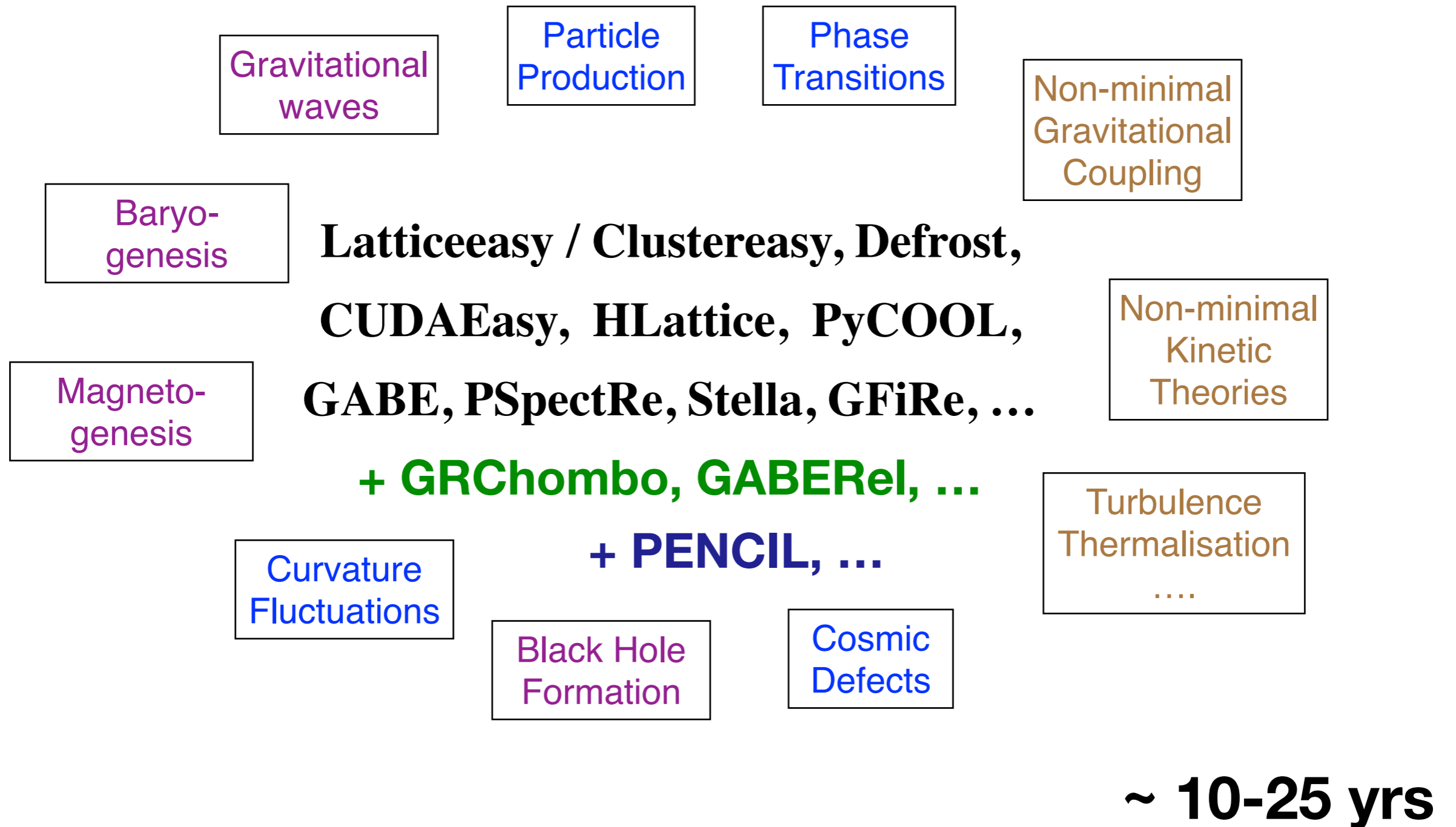
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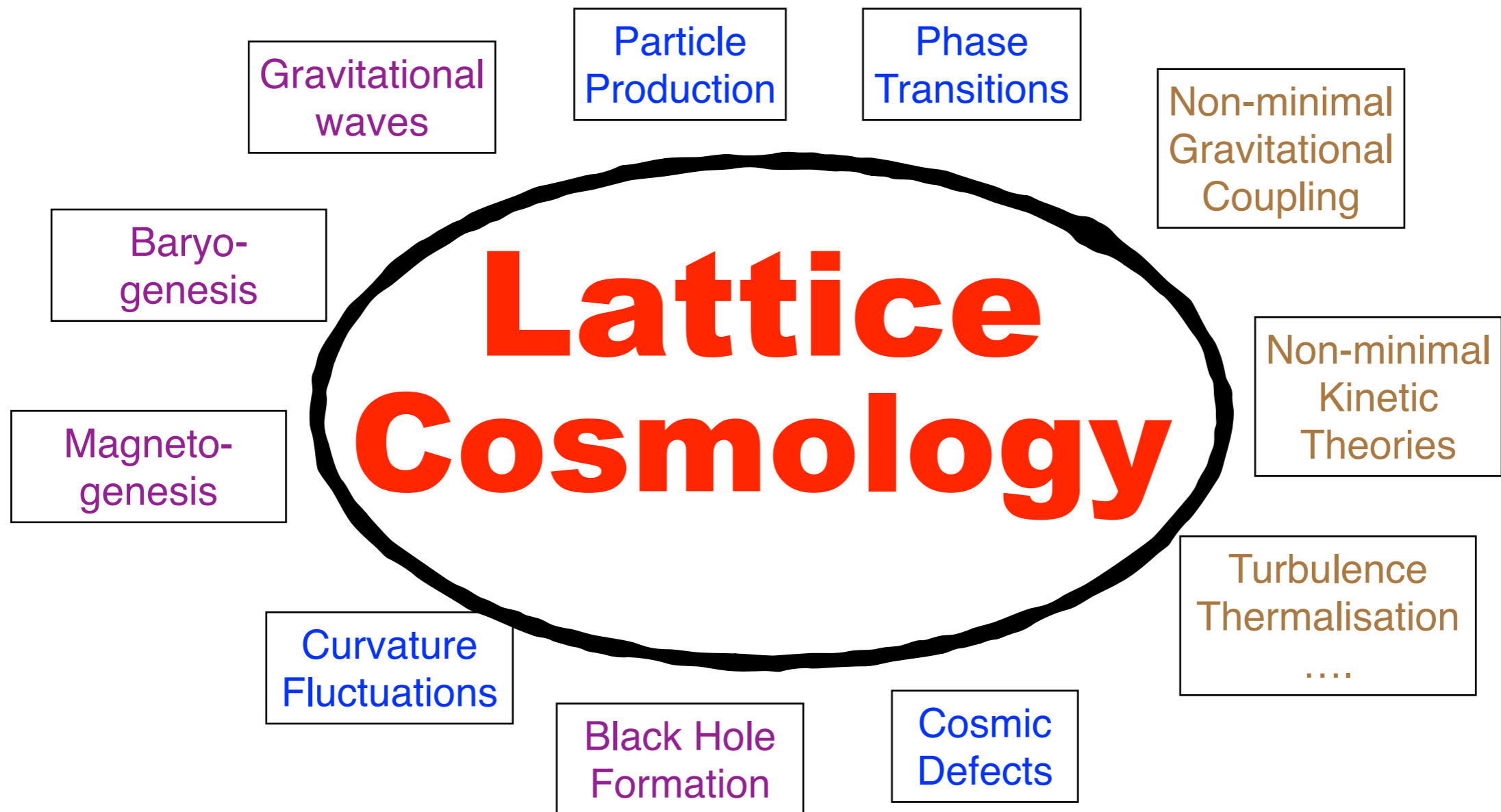
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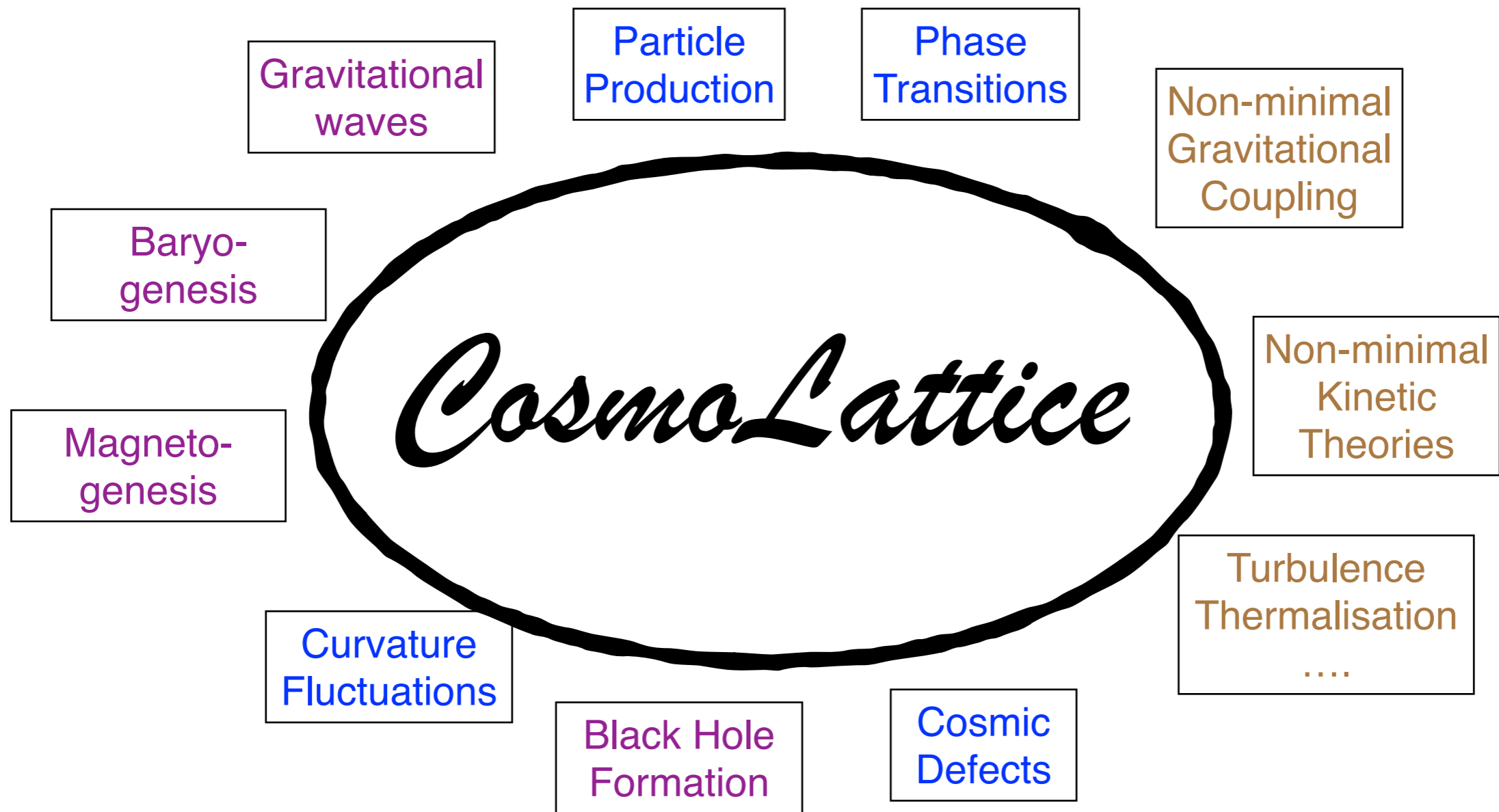
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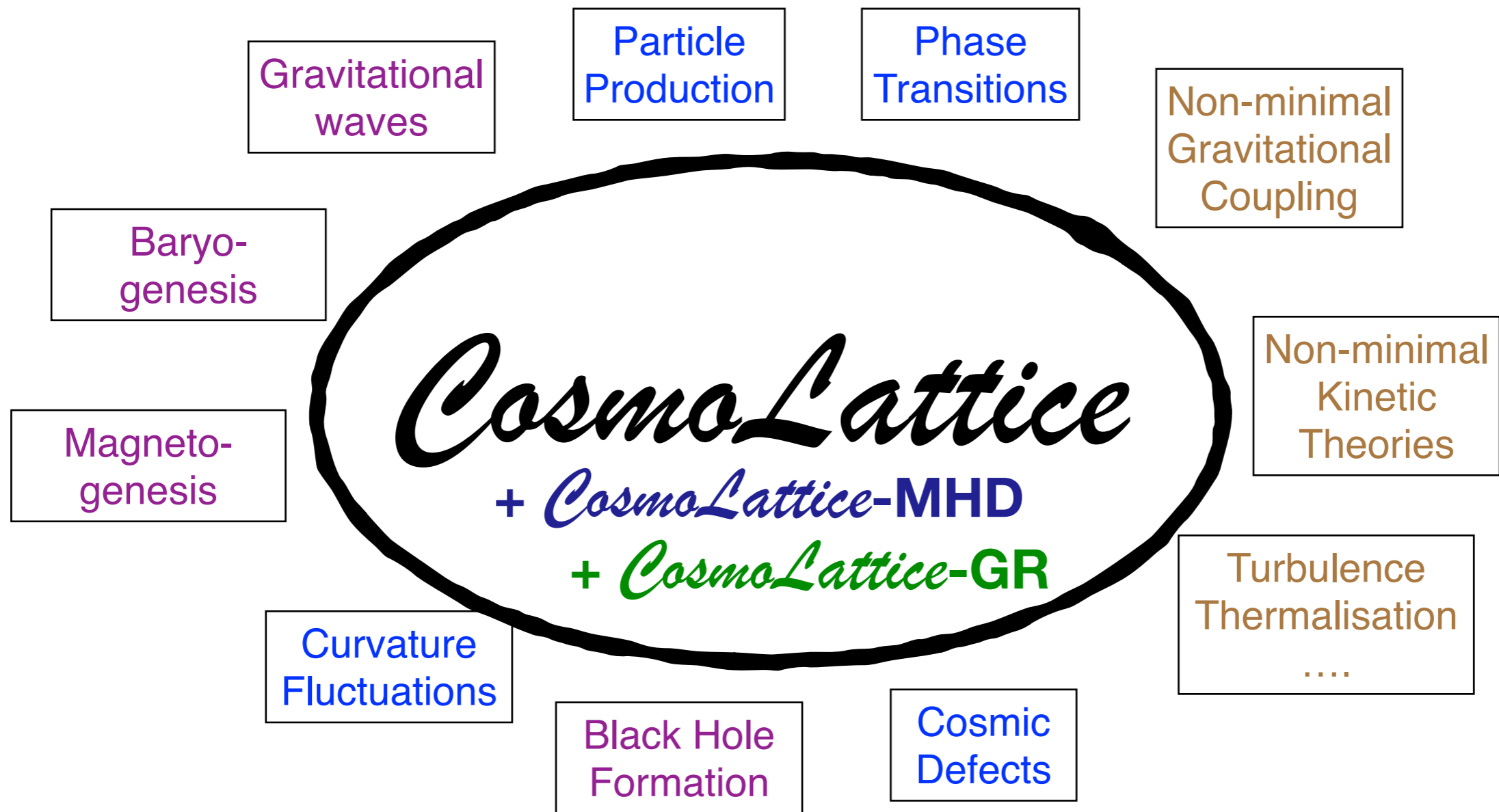


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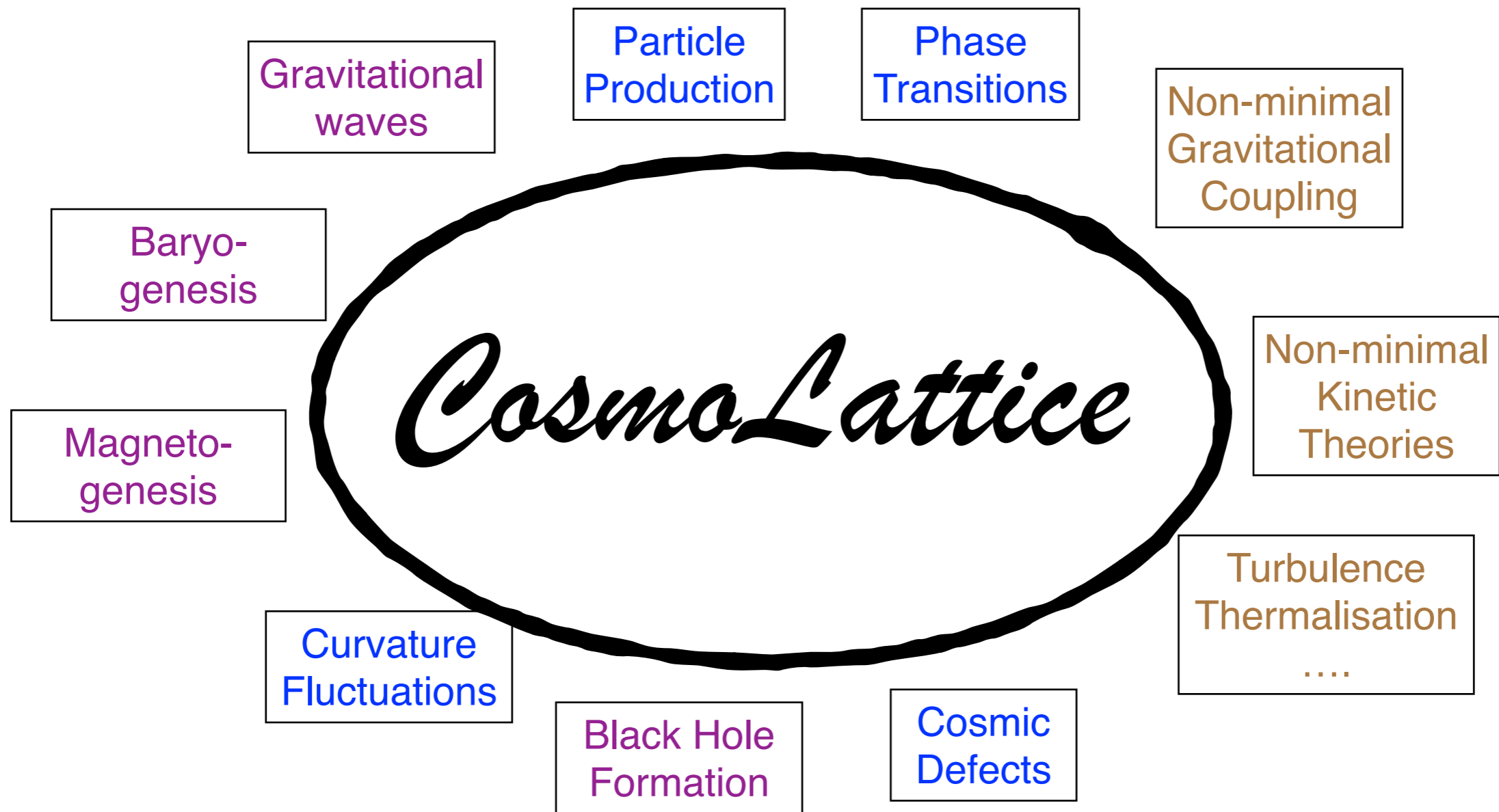
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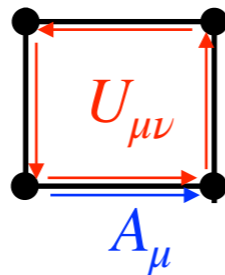
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**Links & plaquettes**  
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A modern code for lattice simulations of scalar and gauge field dynamics in an expanding universe

# *CosmoLattice* – Default Field Content

► Matter content:

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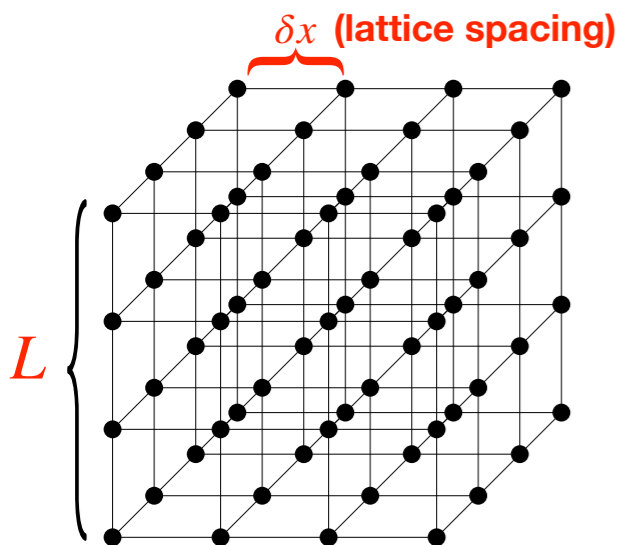
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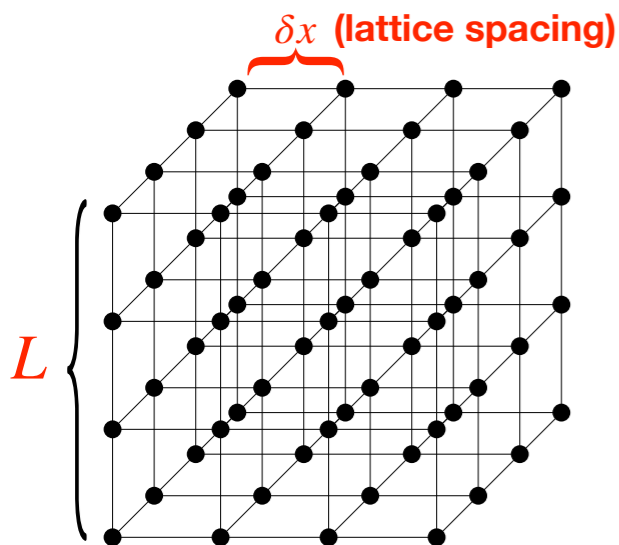
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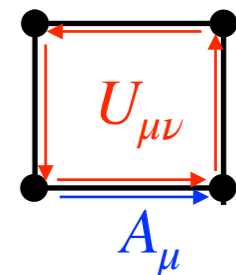
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(Gradient-Scalar)

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$$\begin{aligned} K_\phi &= \frac{1}{2a^{2\alpha}} \dot{\phi}^2 \\ K_\varphi &= \frac{1}{a^{2\alpha}} (D_0^A \varphi)^* (D_0^A \varphi) ; \\ K_\Phi &= \frac{1}{a^{2\alpha}} (D_0 \Phi)^\dagger (D_0 \Phi) \end{aligned}$$

(Kinetic-Scalar)

$$\begin{aligned} G_\phi &= \frac{1}{2a^2} \sum_i (\partial_i \phi)^2 \\ G_\varphi &= \frac{1}{a^2} \sum_i (D_i^A \varphi)^* (D_i^A \varphi) ; \\ G_\Phi &= \frac{1}{a^2} \sum_i (D_i \Phi)^\dagger (D_i \Phi) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} K_{U(1)} &= \frac{1}{2a^{2+2\alpha}} \sum_i F_{0i}^2 \\ K_{SU(2)} &= \frac{1}{2a^{2+2\alpha}} \sum_{a,i} (G_{0i}^a)^2 \\ G_{U(1)} &= \frac{1}{2a^4} \sum_{i,j < i} F_{ij}^2 \\ G_{SU(2)} &= \frac{1}{2a^4} \sum_{a,i,j < i} (G_{ij}^a)^2 \end{aligned}$$

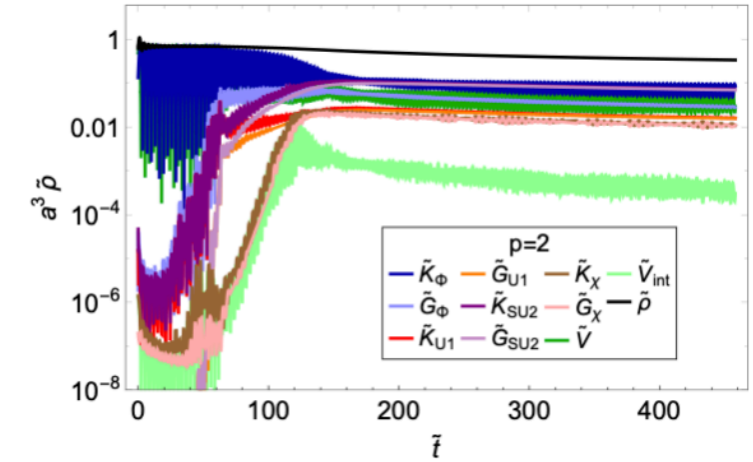
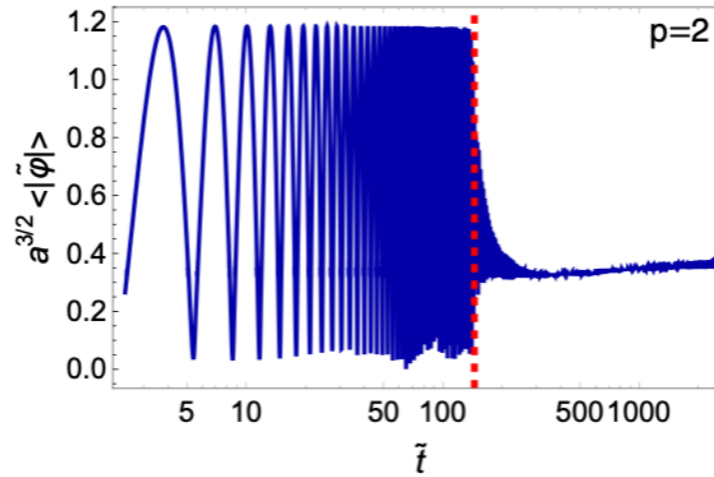
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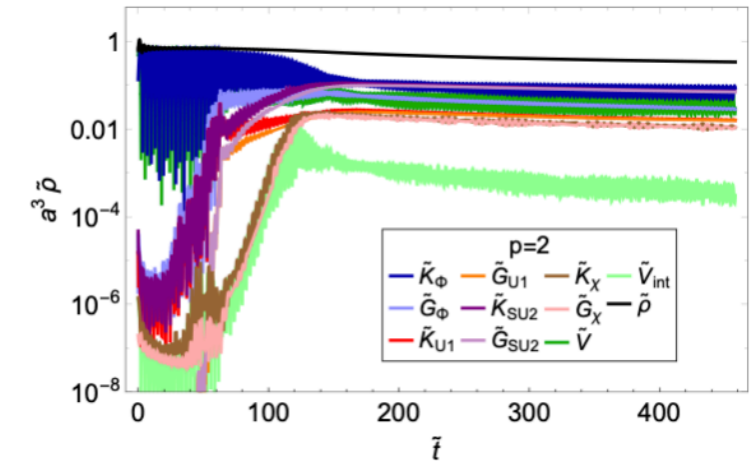
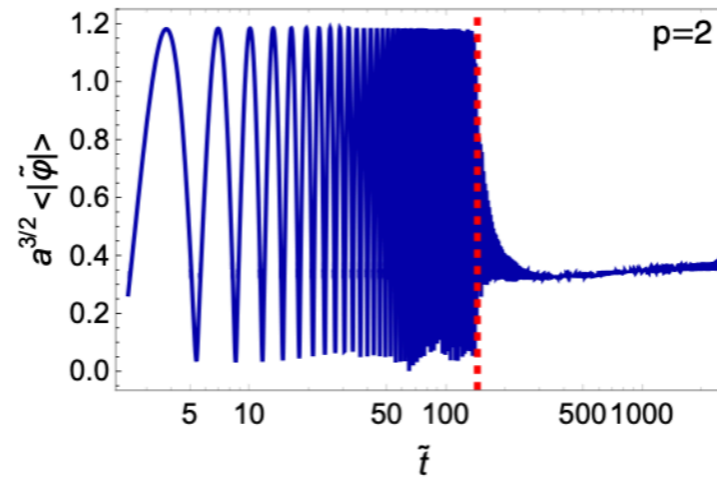


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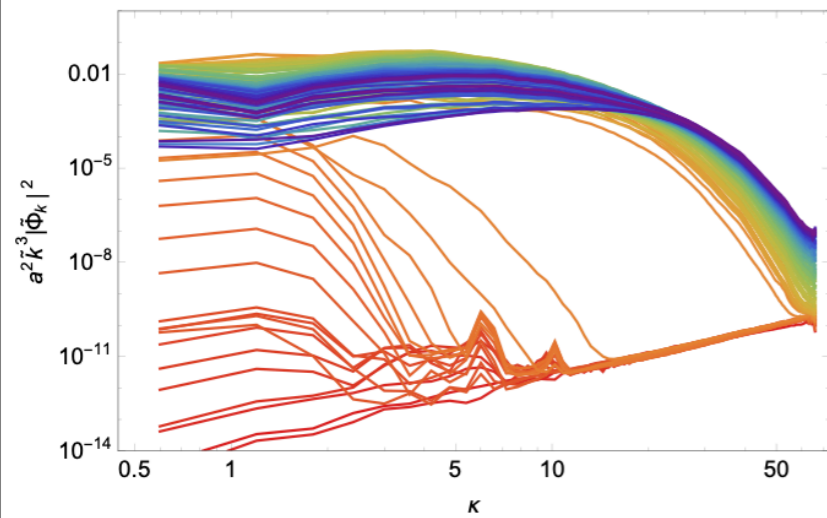
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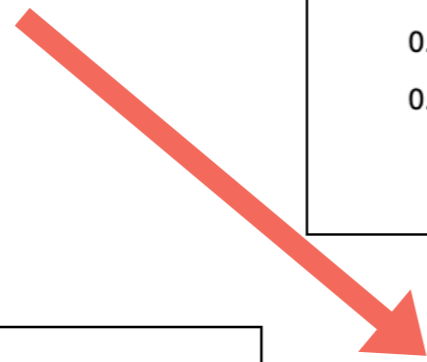


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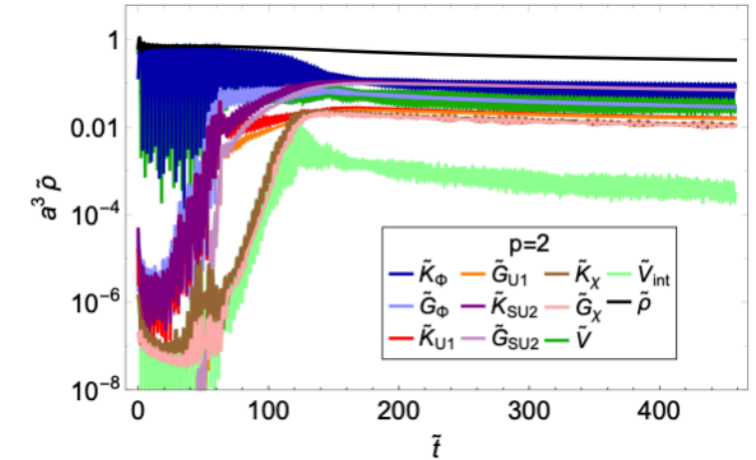
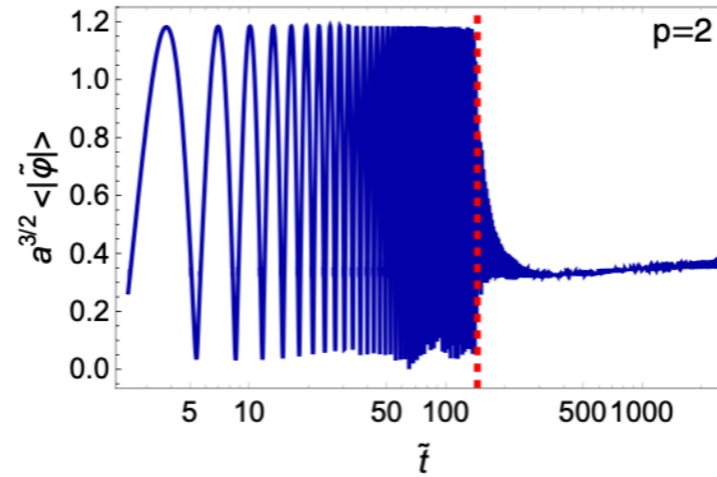


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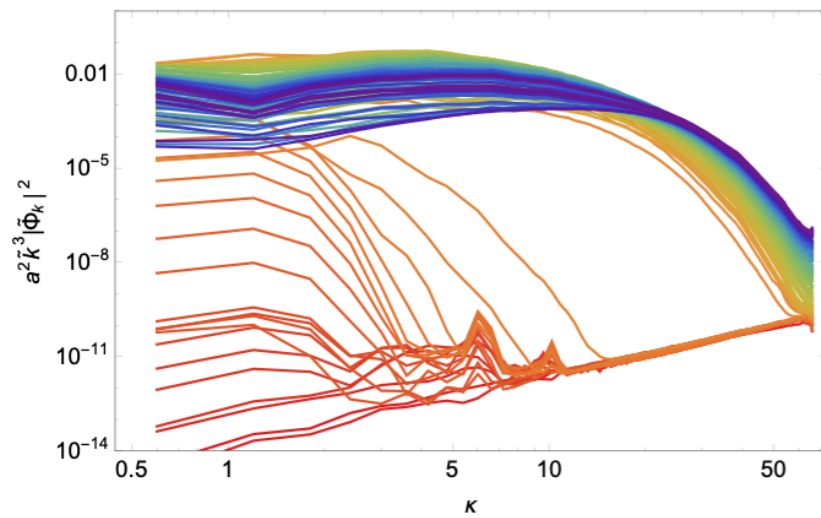
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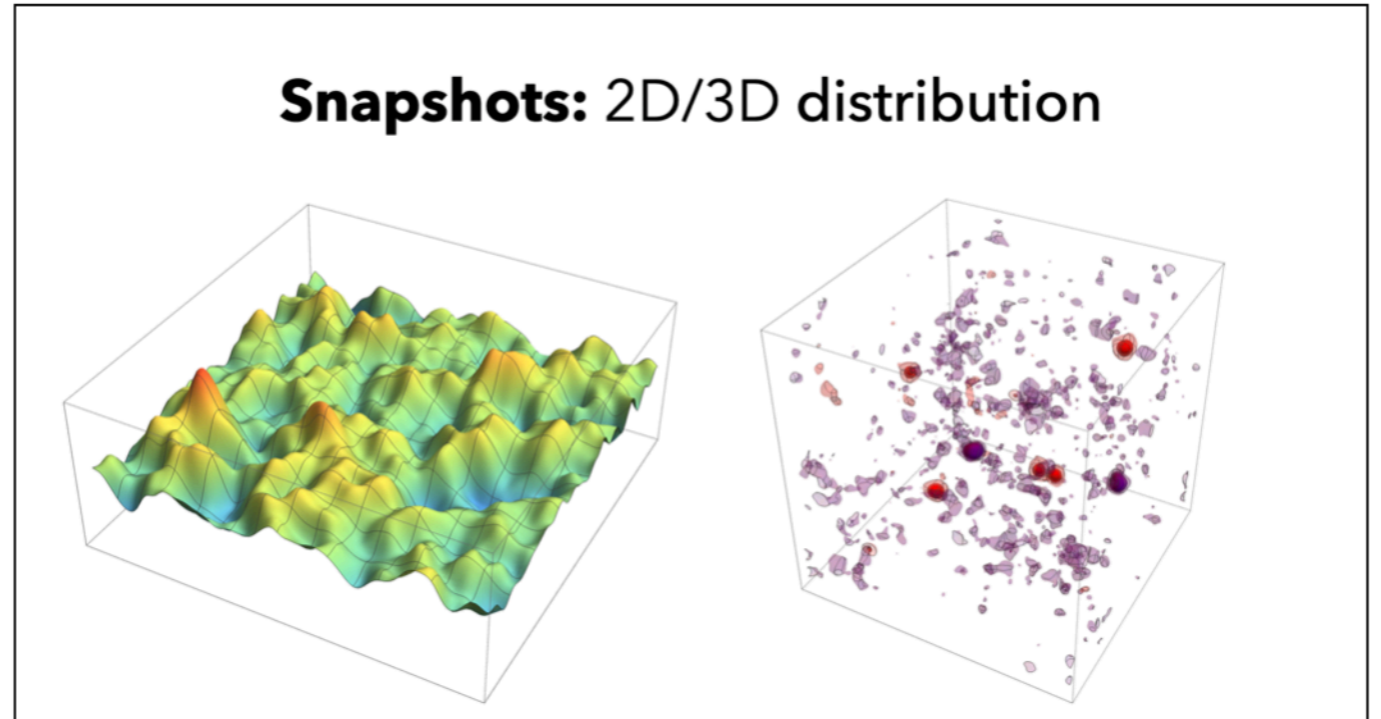
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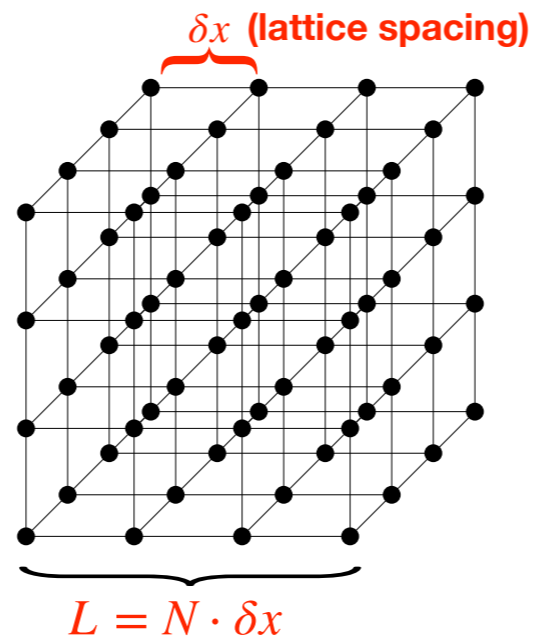
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$$\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, g_1^2, g_2^2, \dots$$

$$m_\phi^2, m_\psi^2, \dots, v^2, \Phi_*, \dots$$

```
1 #Output
2 outputfile = ./
3
4 #Evolution
5 expansion = true
6 evolver = VV2
7
8 #Lattice
9 N = 32
10 dt = 0.01
11 kIR = 0.75
12 nBinsSpectra = 55
13
14 #Times
15 tOutputFreq = 0.1
16 tOutputInfreq = 1
17 tMax = 300
18
19 #IC
20 kCutOff = 1.75
21 initial_amplitudes = 7.42675e18 0 # homogeneous amplitudes in GeV
22 initial_momenta = -6.2969e30 0 # homogeneous amplitudes in GeV2
23
24 #Model Parameters
25 lambda = 9e-14
26 q = 100
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➤ **Parameters via input file**  
**(no need to re-compile !)**

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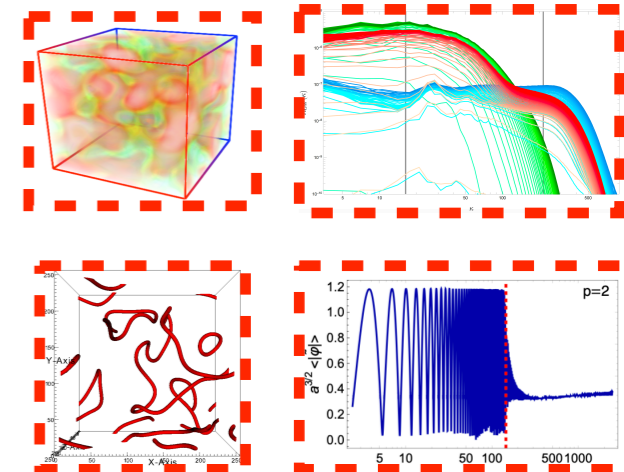


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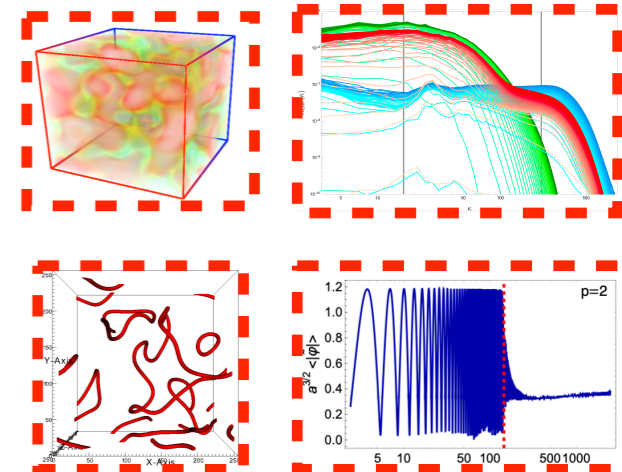


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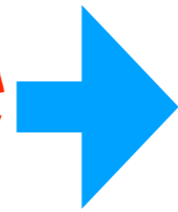
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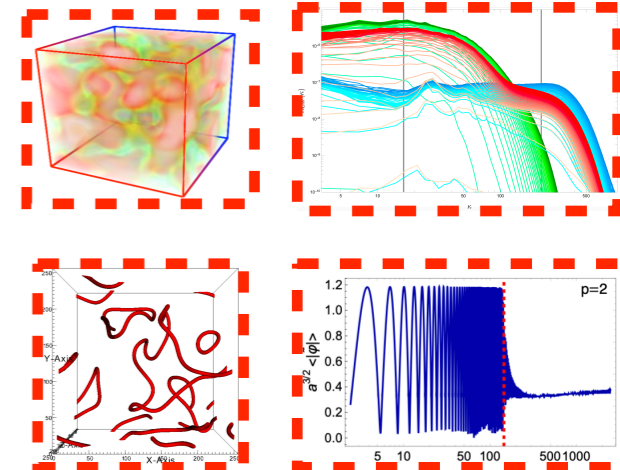


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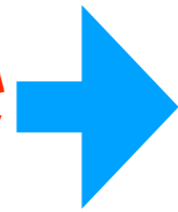
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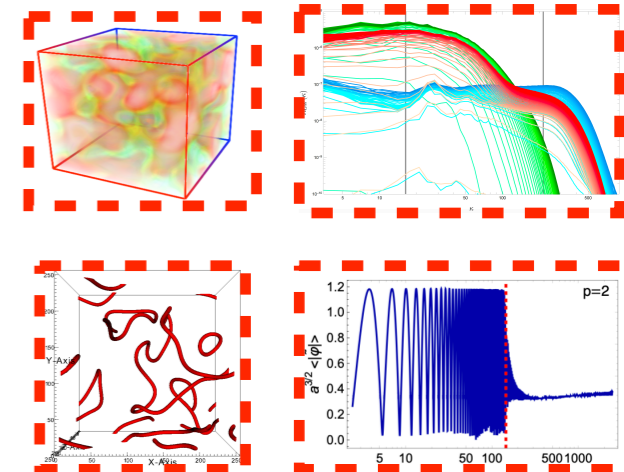


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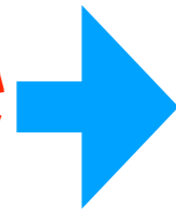
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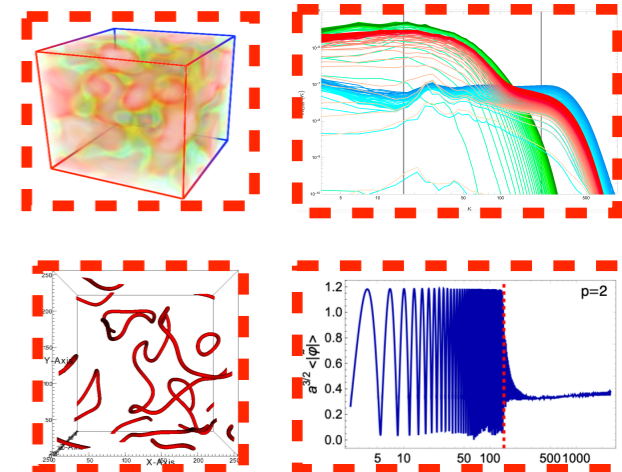
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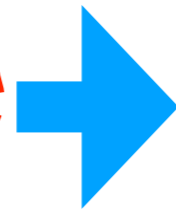
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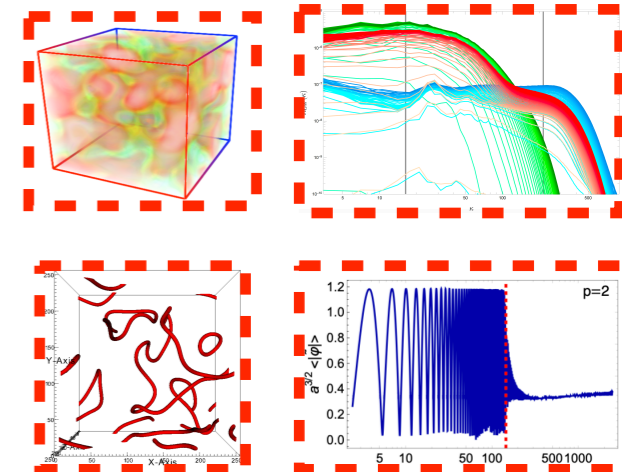
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$$\begin{aligned}\partial_\eta \tilde{T}^{00} + \partial_i \tilde{T}^{0i} &= \tilde{S}^0[\phi, A_k, \{\tilde{T}_{lk}\}], \\ \partial_\eta \tilde{T}^{0i} + \partial_j \tilde{T}^{ij} &= \tilde{S}^i[\phi, A_k, \{\tilde{T}_{lk}\}],\end{aligned}$$

**Work in progress ... key to GWs from PhT's !**

(w/ K. Marschall, A. Midiri,  
and A. Roper Pol)

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$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{ax}} = - \int dx^4 \sqrt{-g} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi + V(\phi) + \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \frac{\alpha_\Lambda}{4} \frac{\phi}{m_p} F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} \right\}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \ddot{\phi} &= -3H\dot{\phi} + \frac{1}{a^2} \vec{\nabla}^2 \phi - V_{,\phi} + \frac{\alpha_\Lambda}{a^3 m_p} \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}, \\ \dot{\vec{E}} &= -H\vec{E} - \frac{1}{a^2} \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} - \frac{\alpha_\Lambda}{a m_p} \left( \dot{\phi} \vec{B} + \vec{\nabla} \phi \cdot \vec{E} \right), \\ \ddot{a} &= -\frac{a}{3m_p^2} (2\rho_K - \rho_V + \rho_{\text{EM}}), \\ \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} &= -\frac{\alpha_\Lambda}{a m_p} \vec{\nabla} \phi \cdot \vec{B}, \quad [\text{Gauss law}] \\ H^2 &= \frac{1}{3m_p^2} (\rho_K + \rho_G + \rho_V + \rho_{\text{EM}}), \quad [\text{Hubble law}] \end{aligned} \right\}$$

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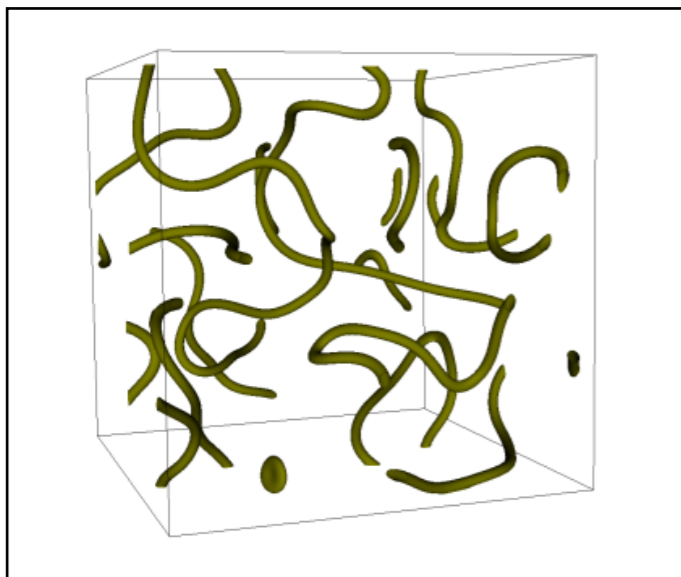
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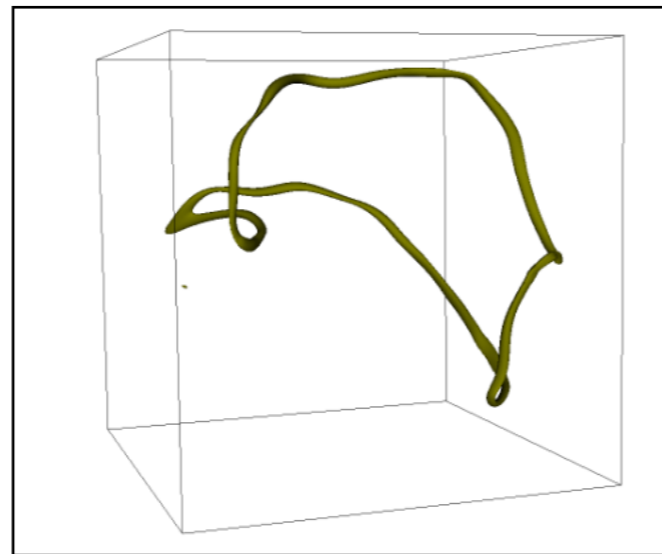


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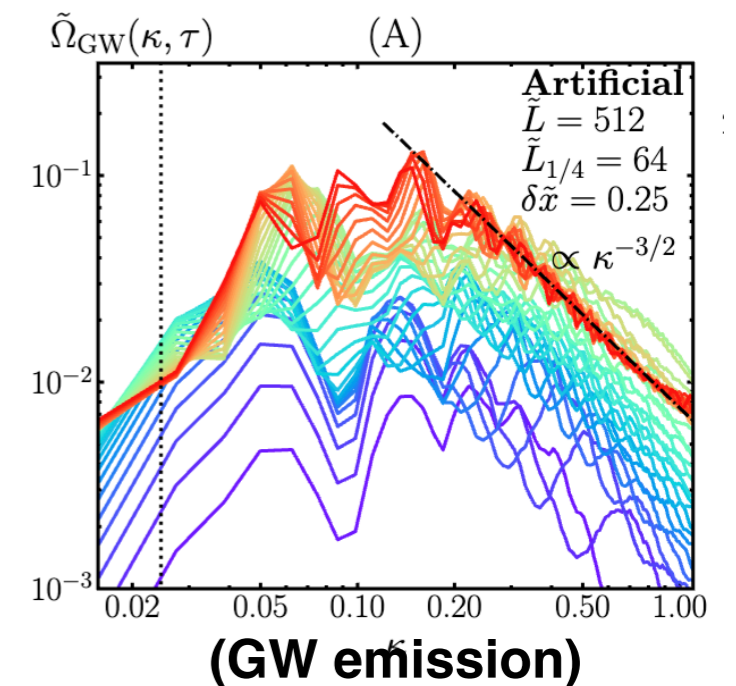
## Particle & GW Emission



(Networks)



(Loops isolated)



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$$\begin{aligned} \text{[Non - minimally coupled]} & \begin{cases} \phi' = a^{\alpha-3} \pi_\phi, \\ \pi'_\phi = a^{1+\alpha} \nabla^2 \phi - a^{3+\alpha} (\xi R \phi + V_{,\phi}), \end{cases} \\ \text{[Expanding background]} & \begin{cases} a' = a^{\alpha-1} \pi_a, \\ \pi'_a = \frac{a^{2+\alpha}}{6} R, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

with

$$R = \frac{1}{m_p^2} \left[ \frac{2(1-6\xi)(E_G^\phi - E_K^\phi) + 4\langle V \rangle - 6\xi\langle \phi V_{,\phi} \rangle + (\rho_m - 3p_m)}{1 + (6\xi - 1)\xi\langle \phi^2 \rangle/m_p^2} \right],$$

(w/ B. Stefanek, T. Opferkuch, and A. Florio)

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(w/ N. Loayza & R. Flauger)

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**Example I**  
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**Field Dynamics of**  
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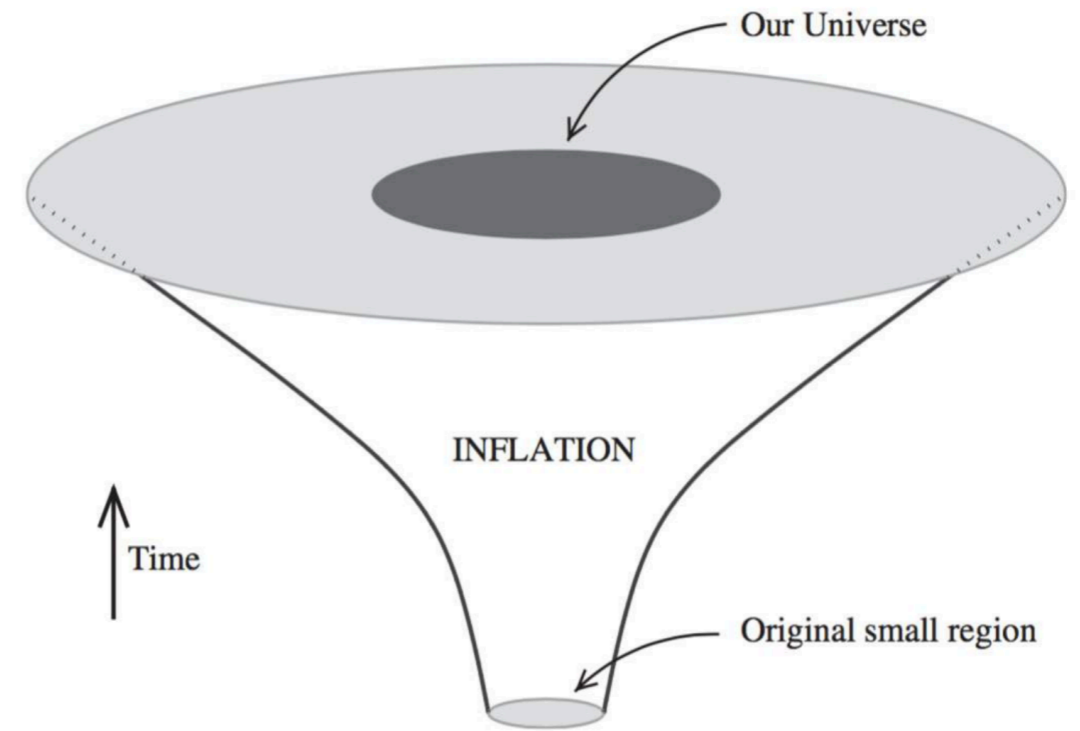
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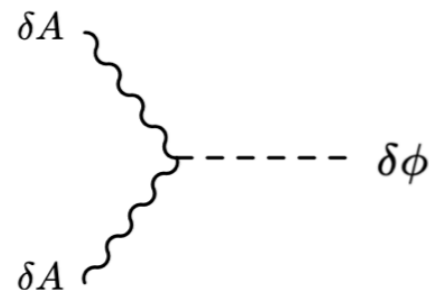
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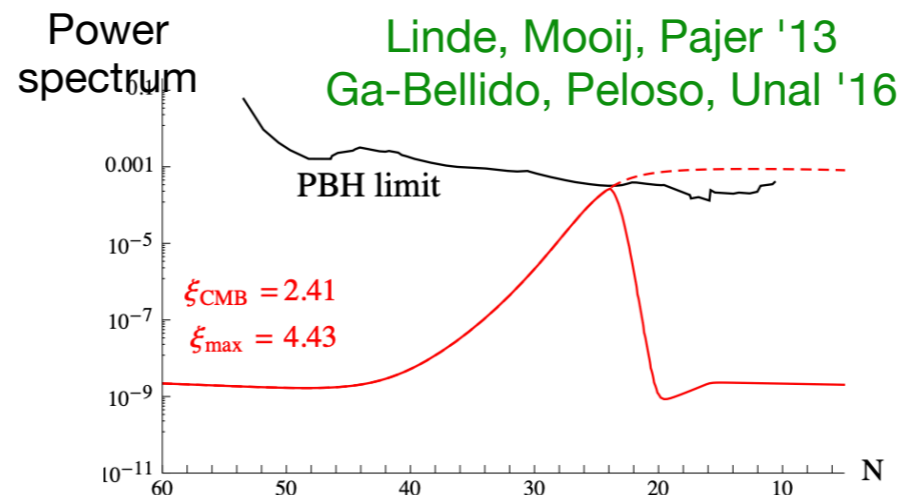


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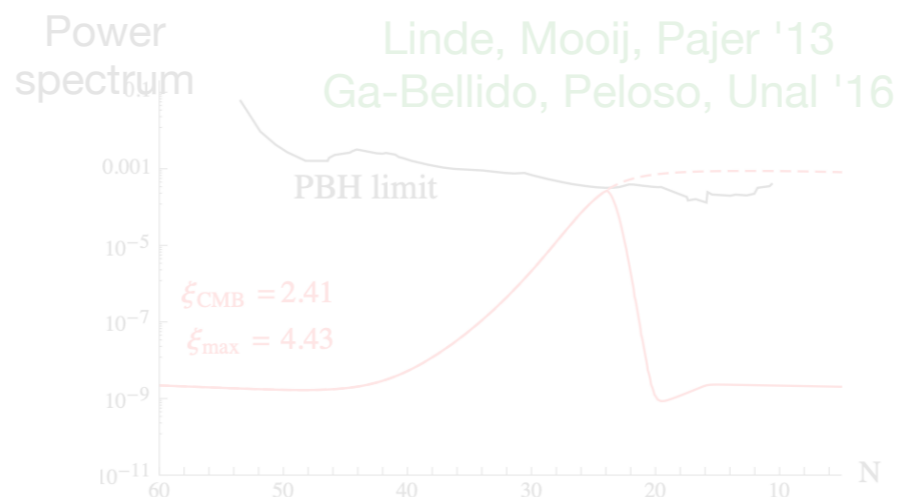
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Reaction  
(Homog.  
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**Dall'Agata et al 2019, Domcke et 2020**  $\longrightarrow$  **Elaborated Iterative scheme !**

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Gorbar et al 2021



Gradient Expansion Formalism (GEF)

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Can we do better than homogeneous backreaction ?

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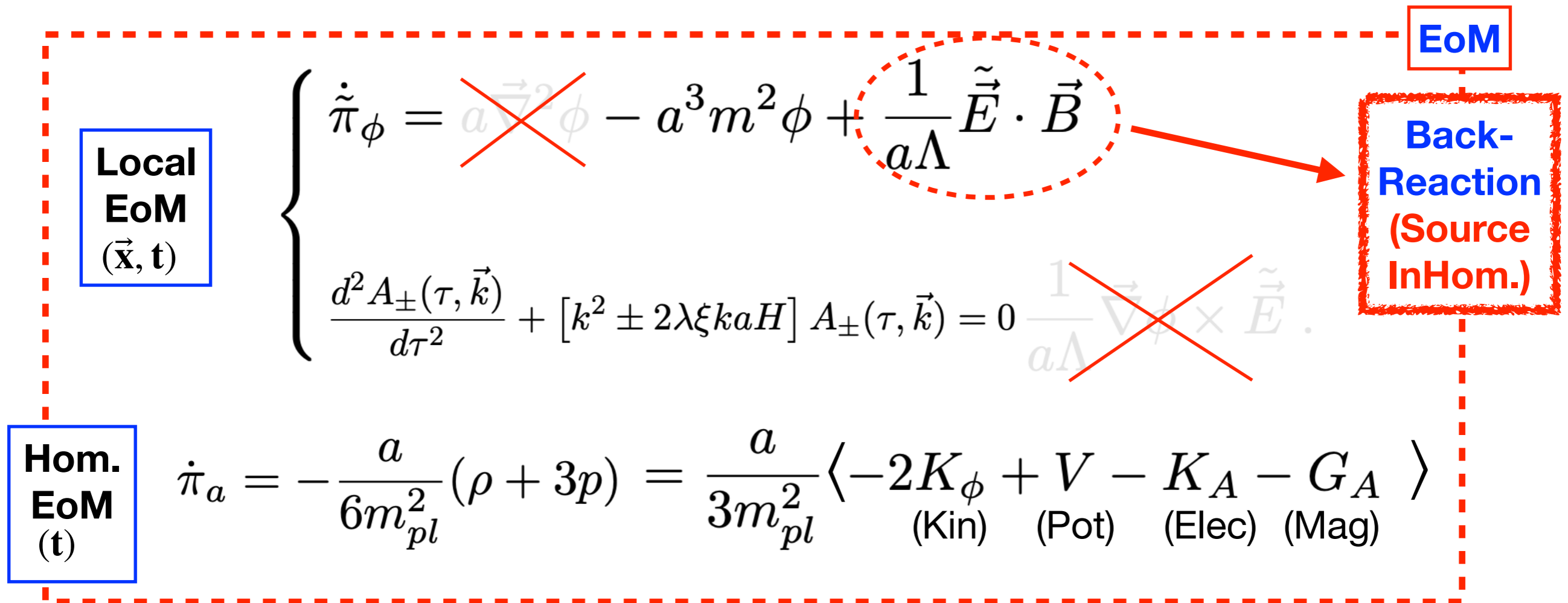
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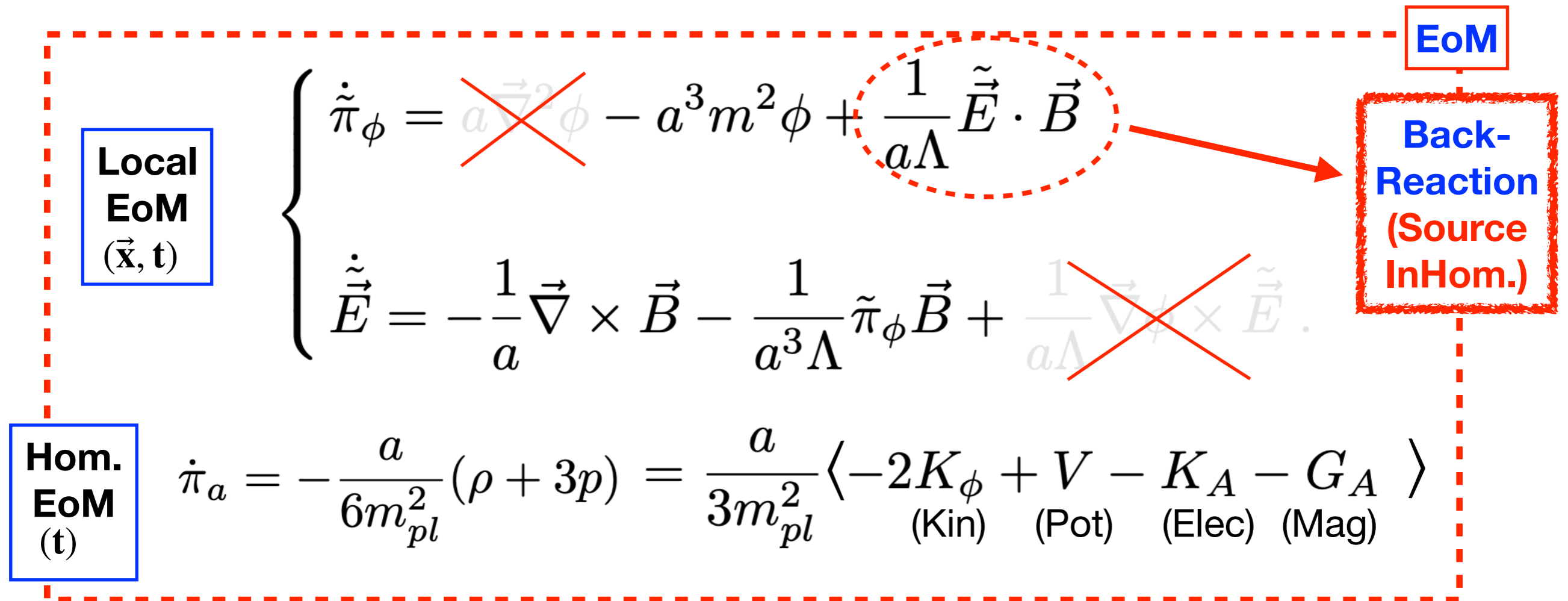
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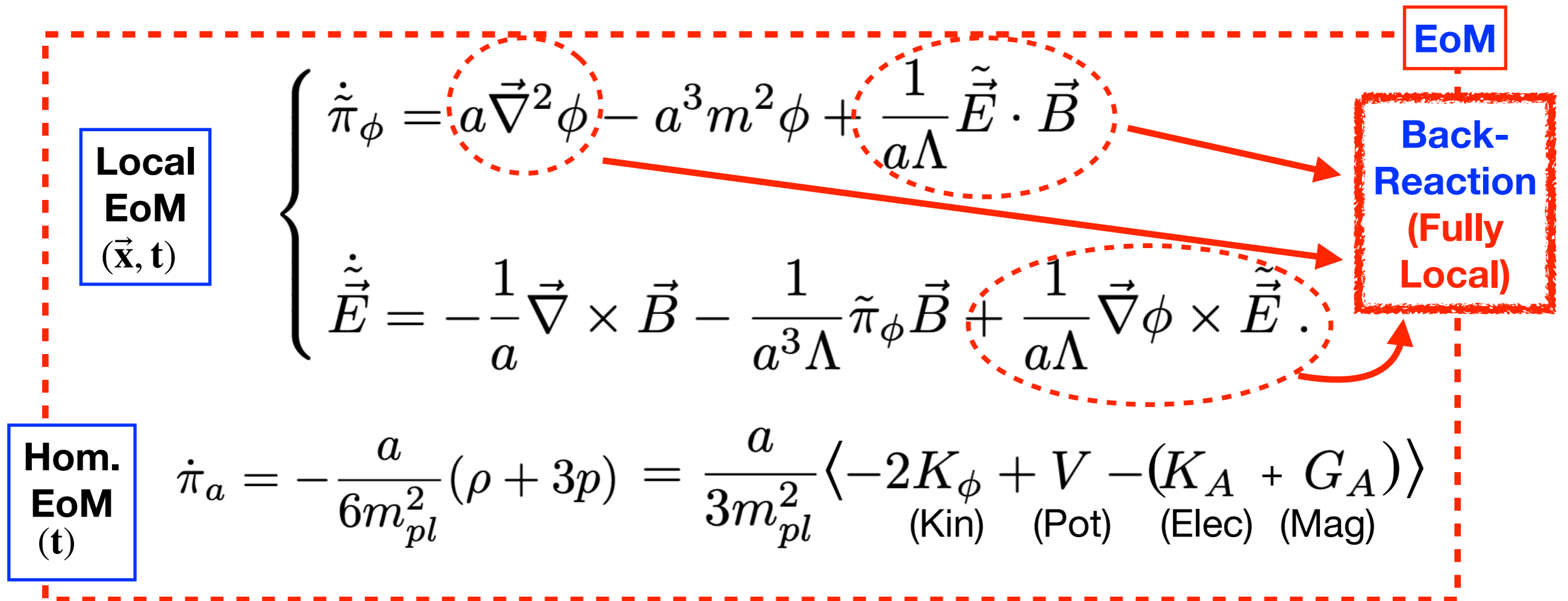
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We show now **our recent work**

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(  *CosmoLattice* )

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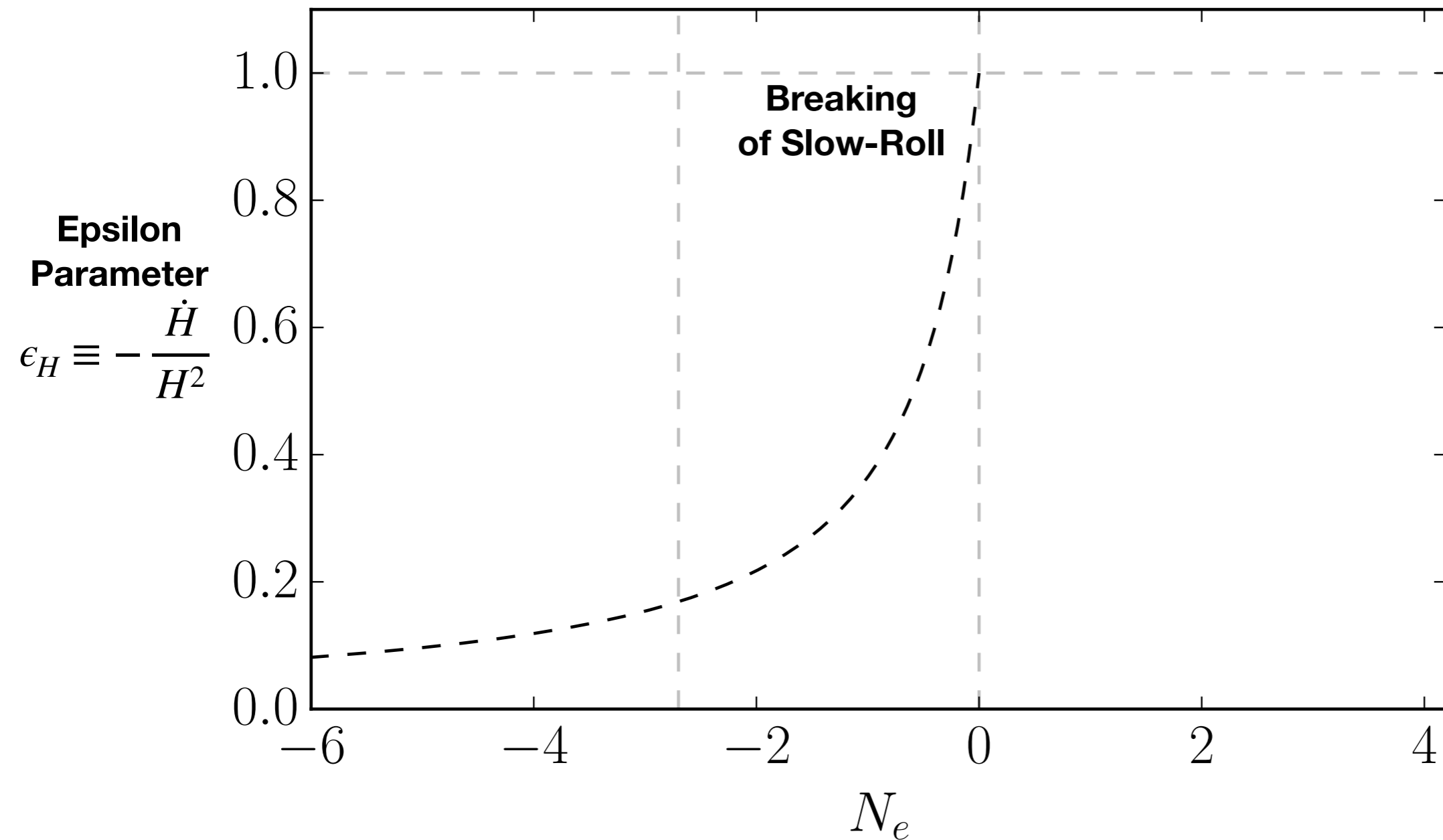
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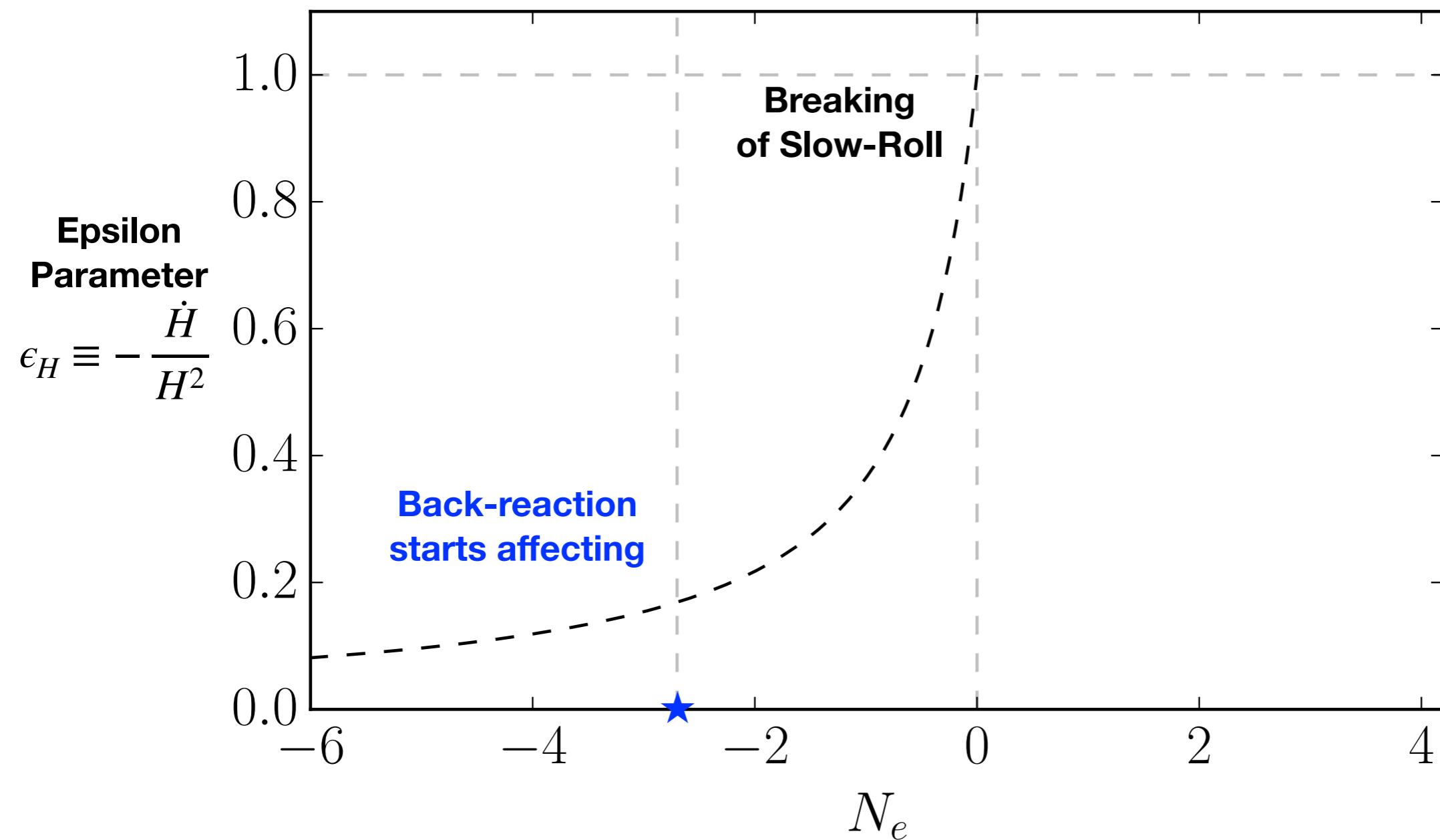
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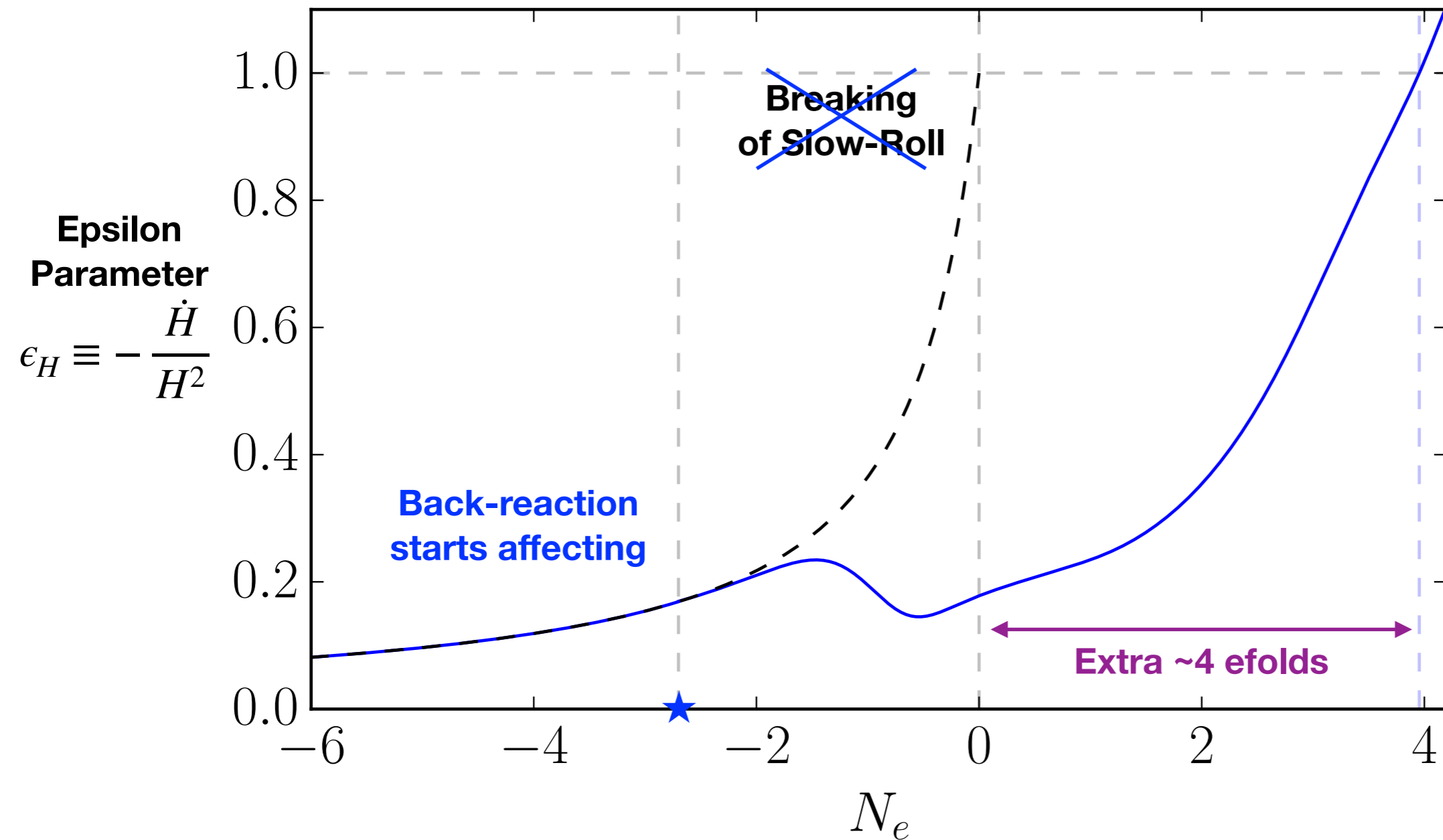
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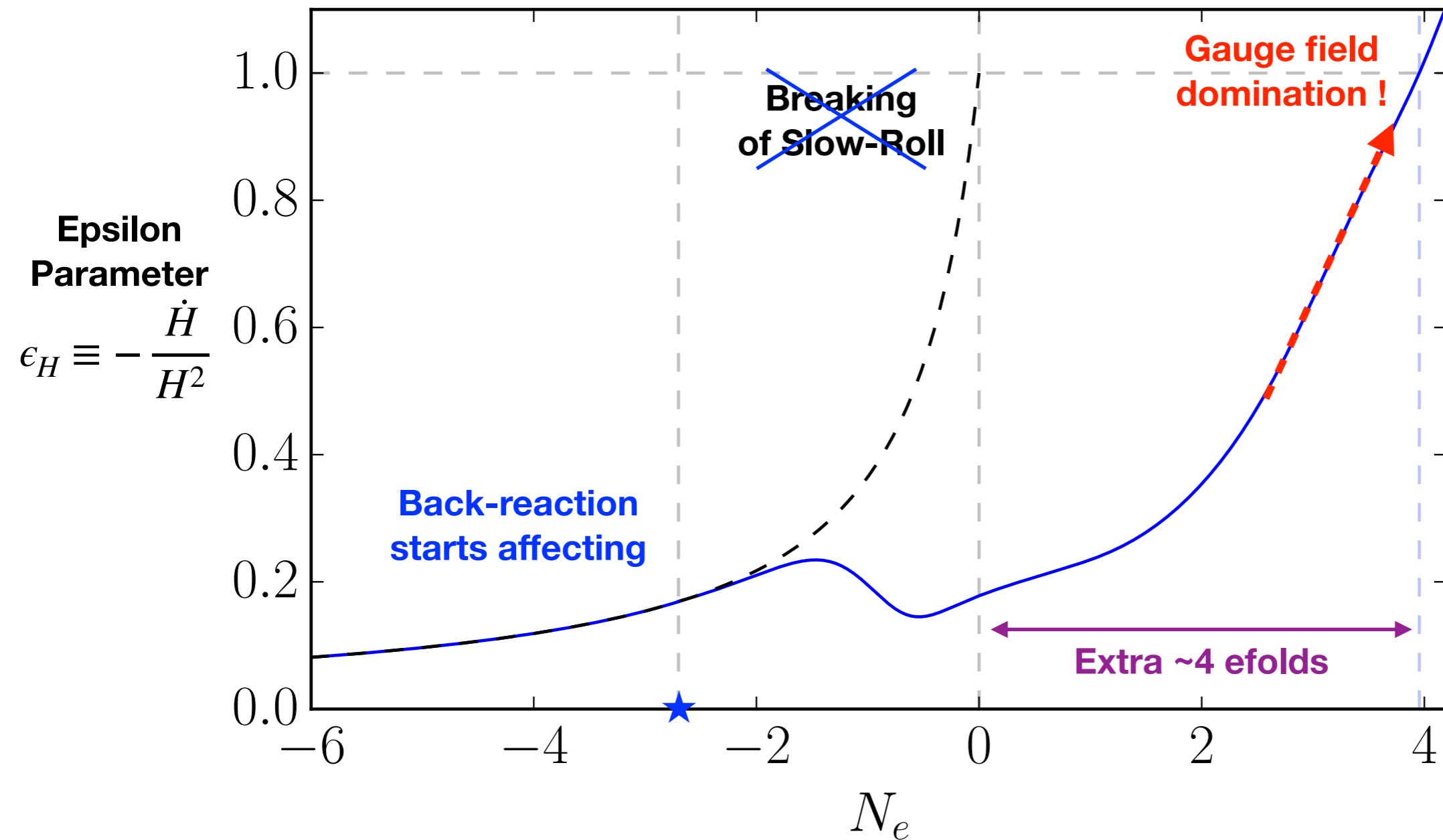
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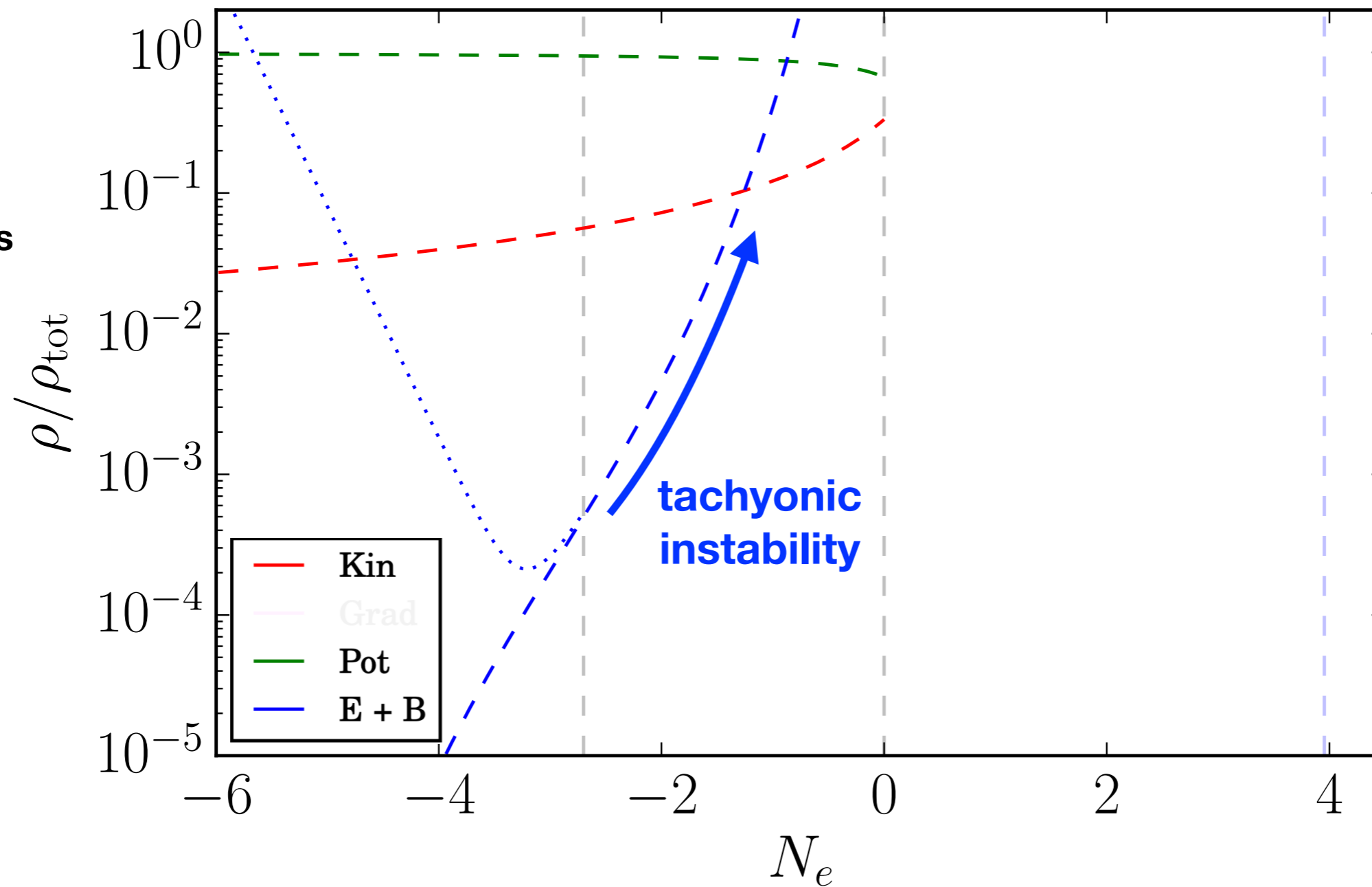
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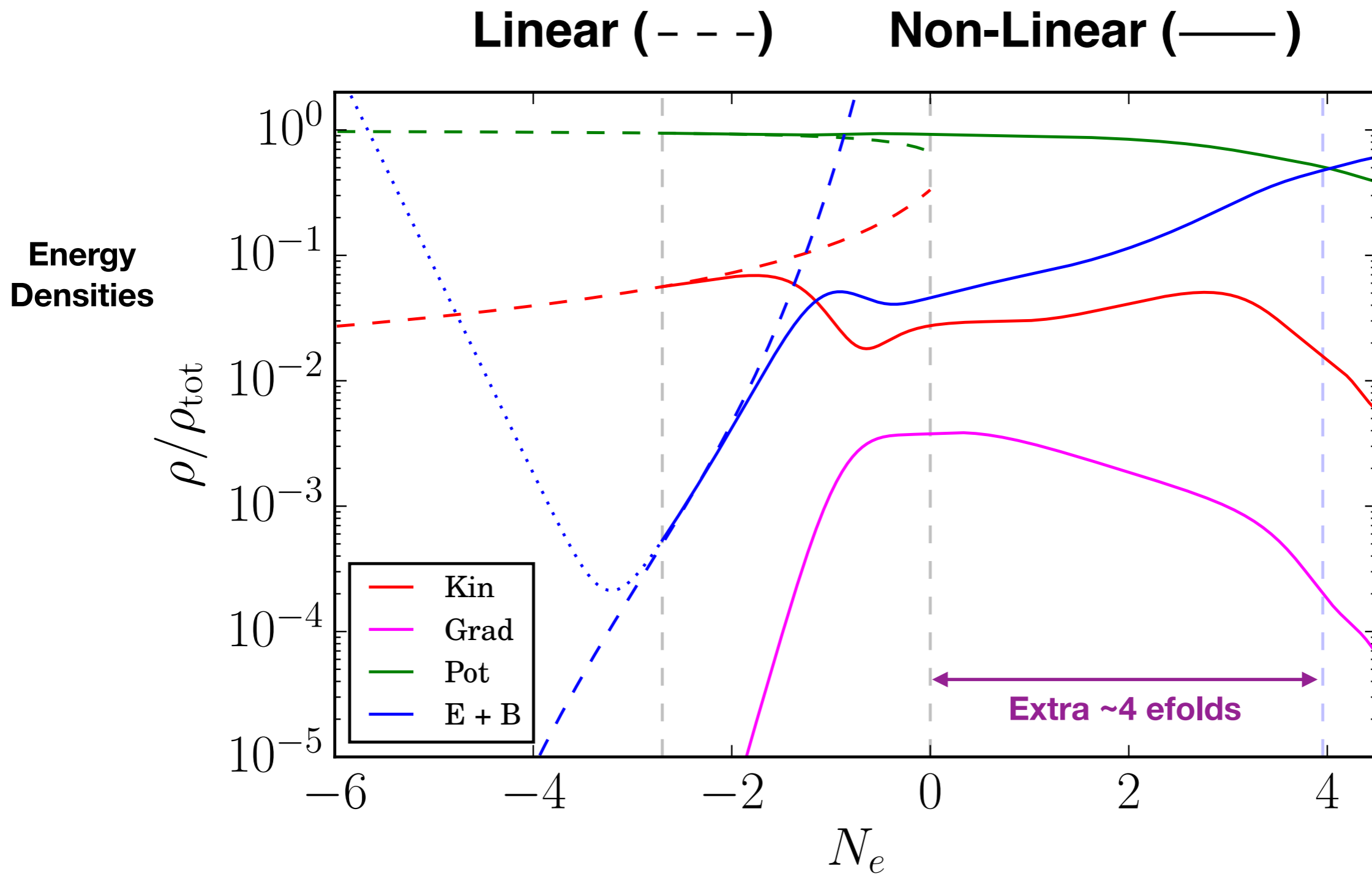
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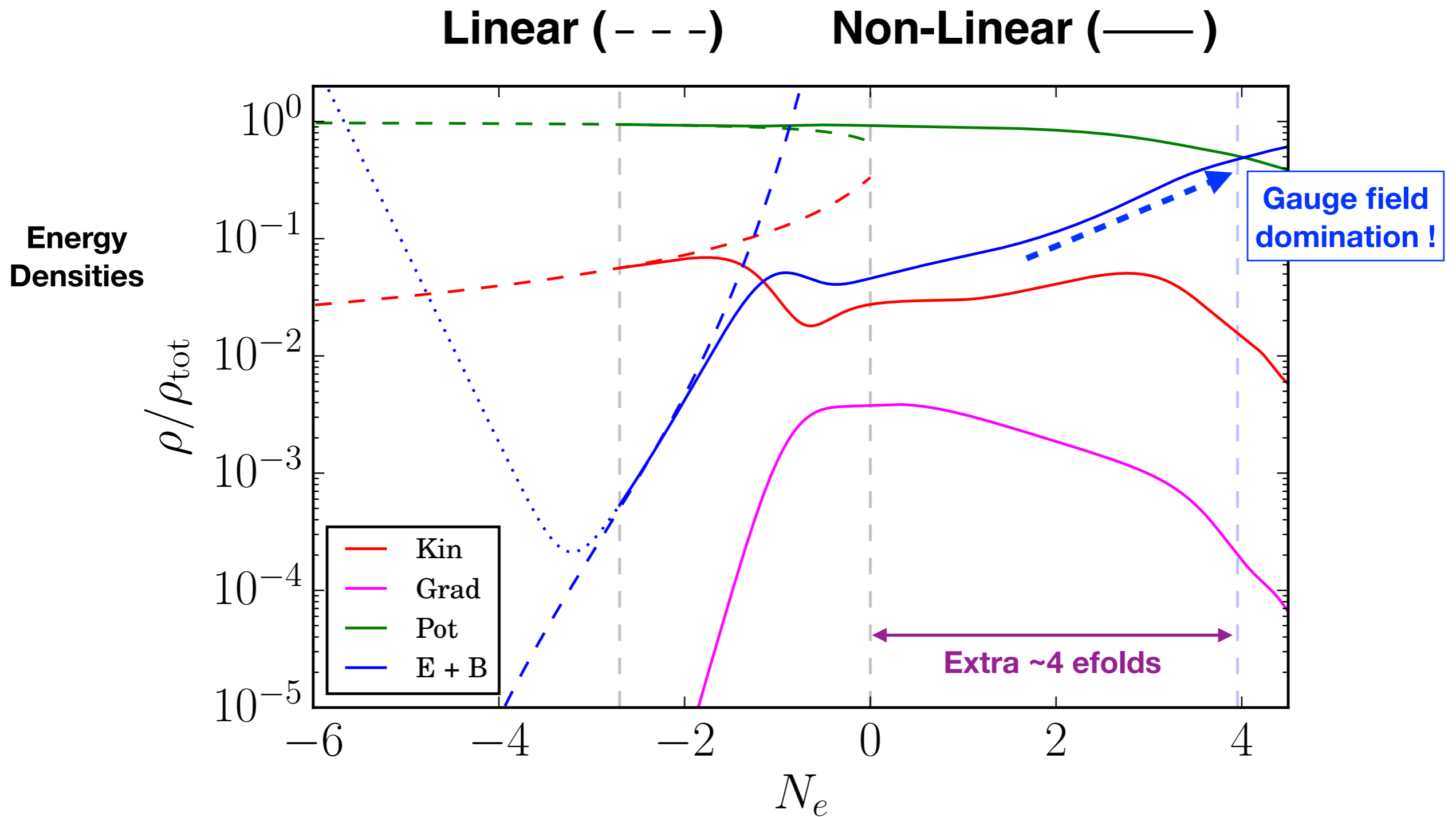
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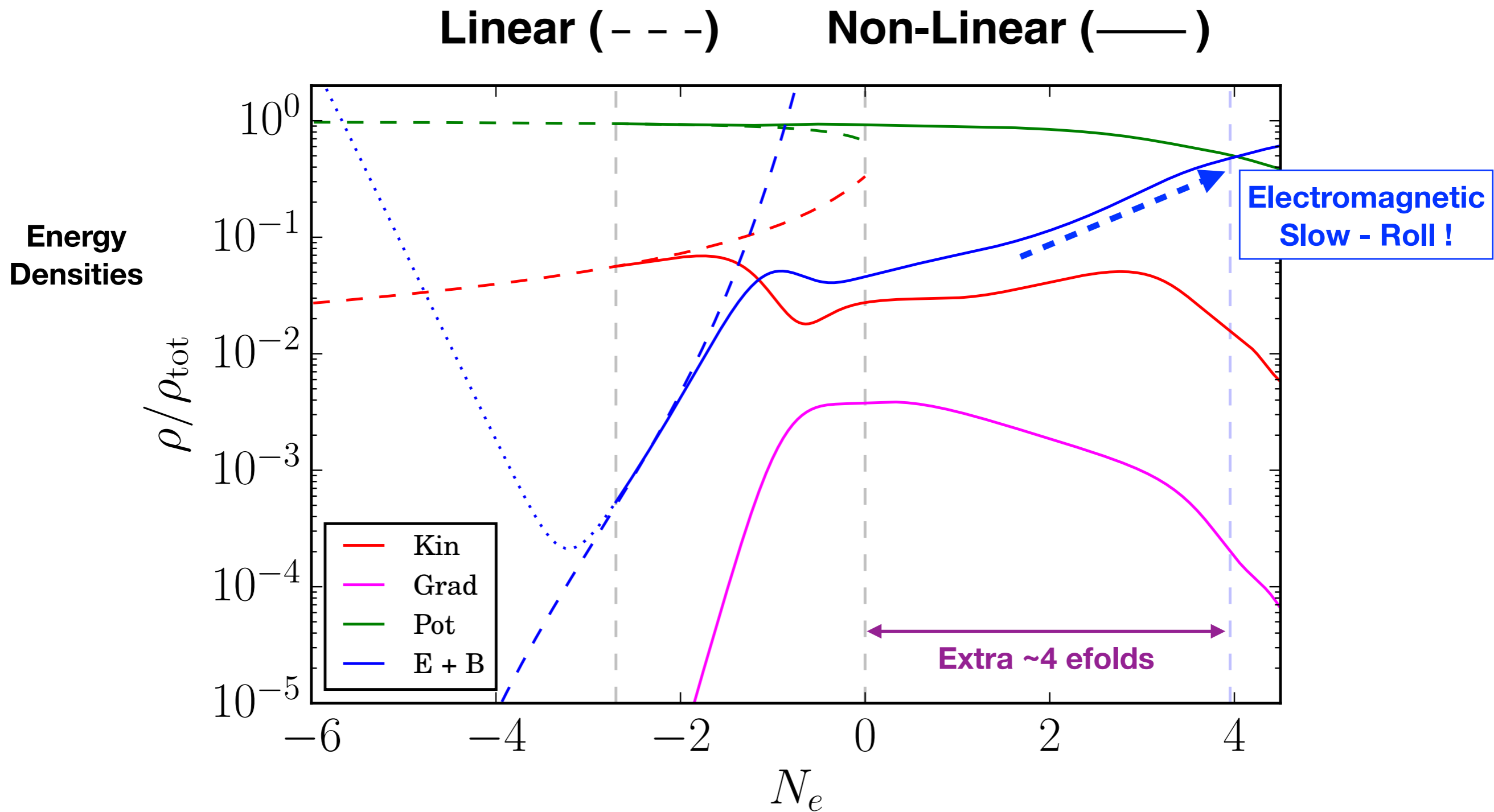
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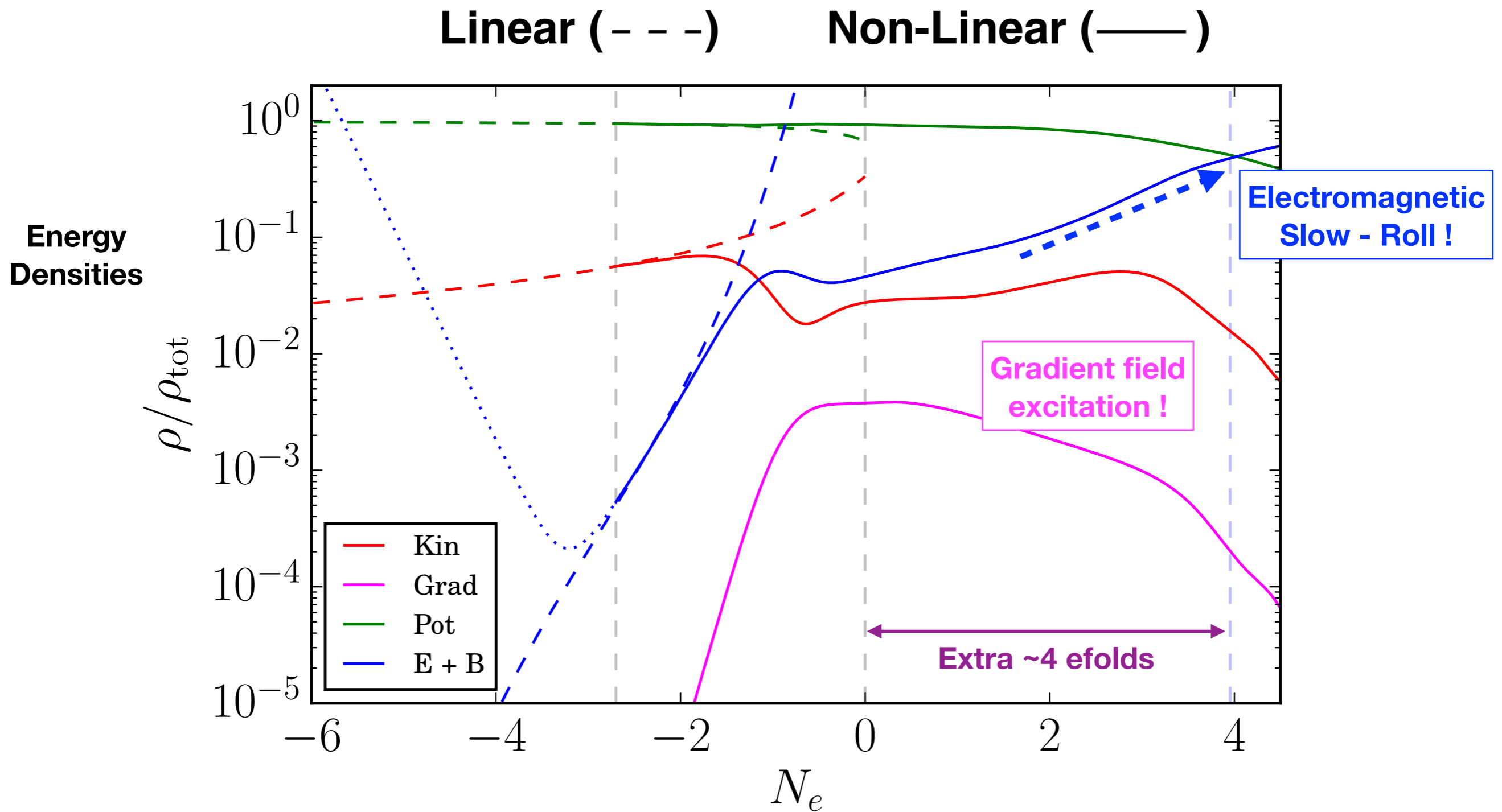
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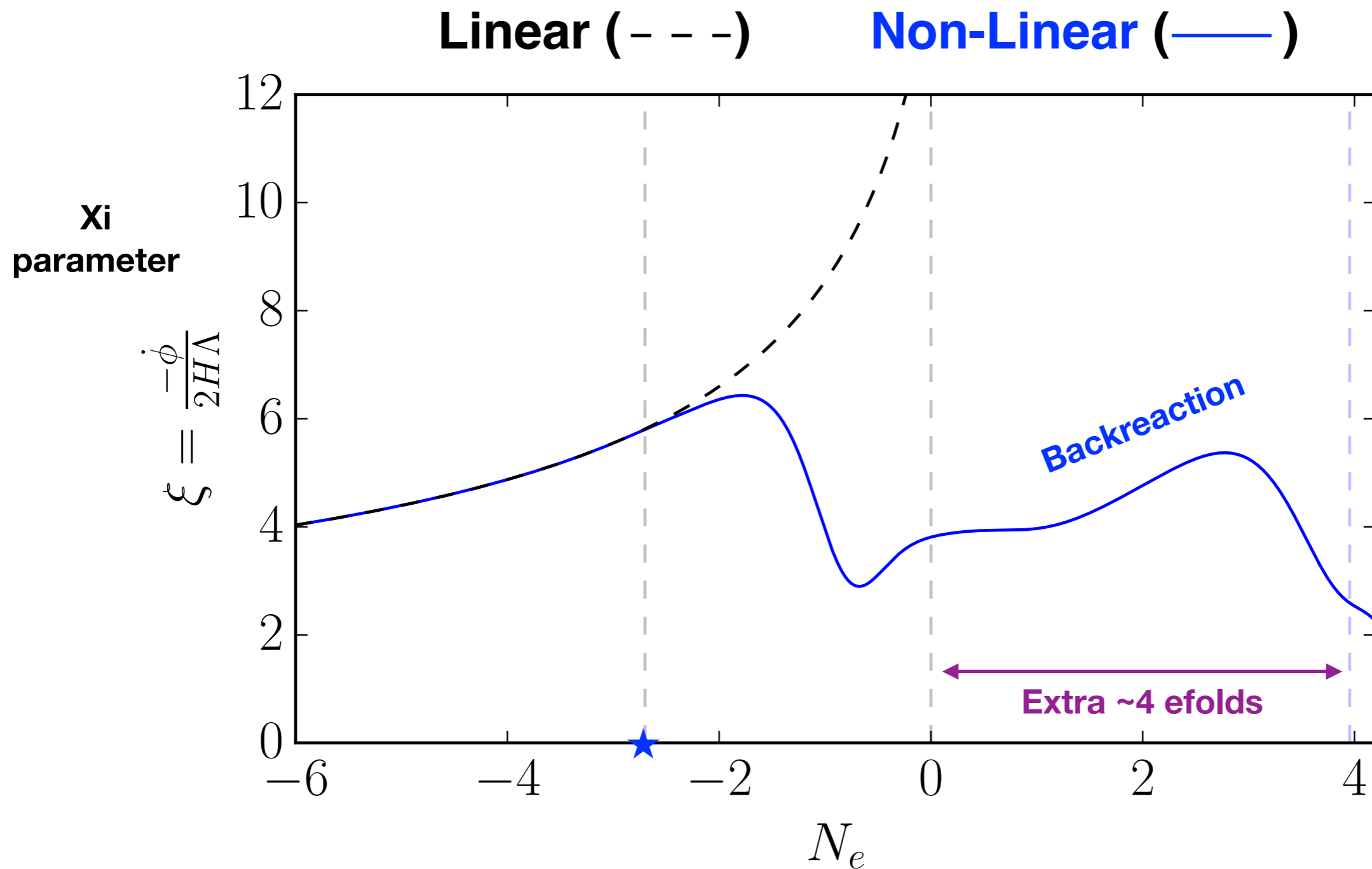
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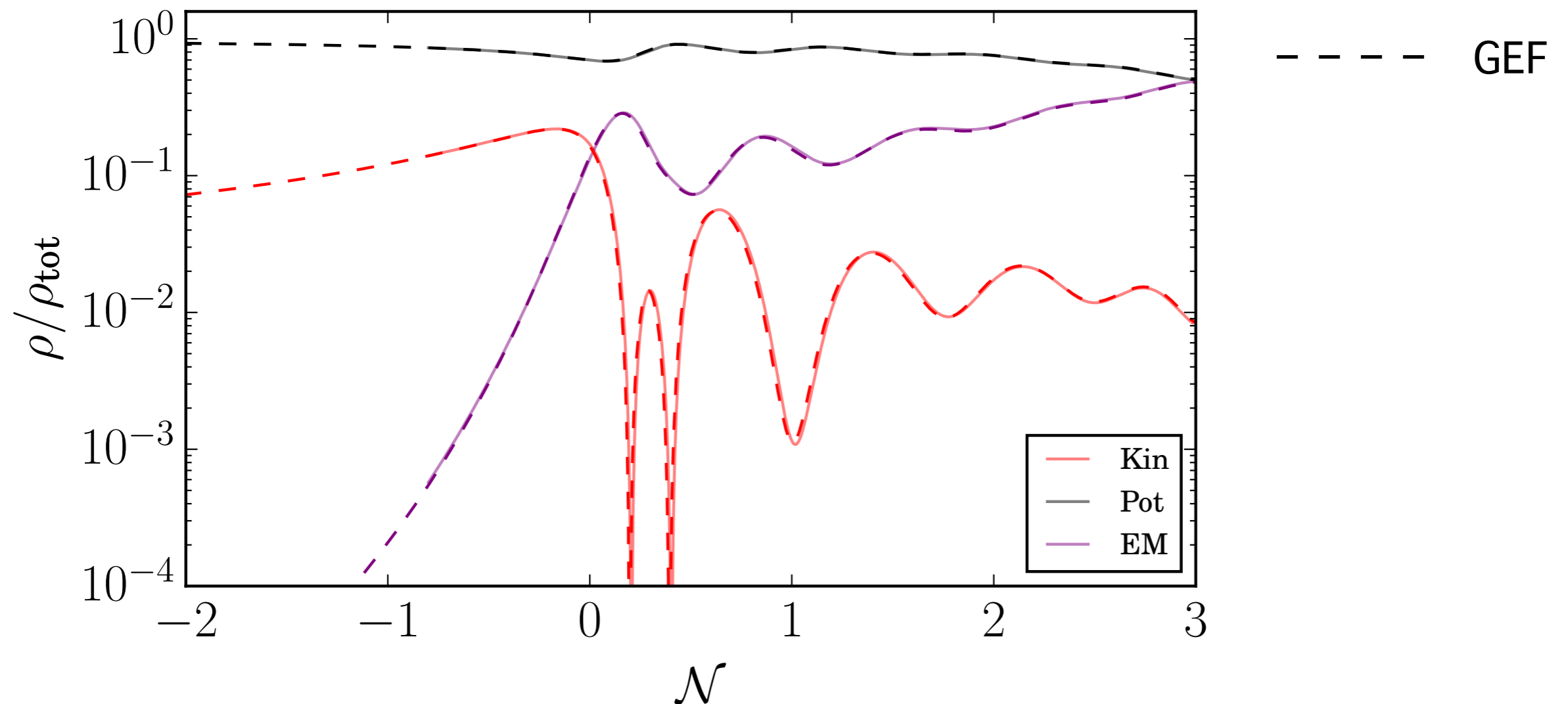


**Comparison to  
Homogeneous  
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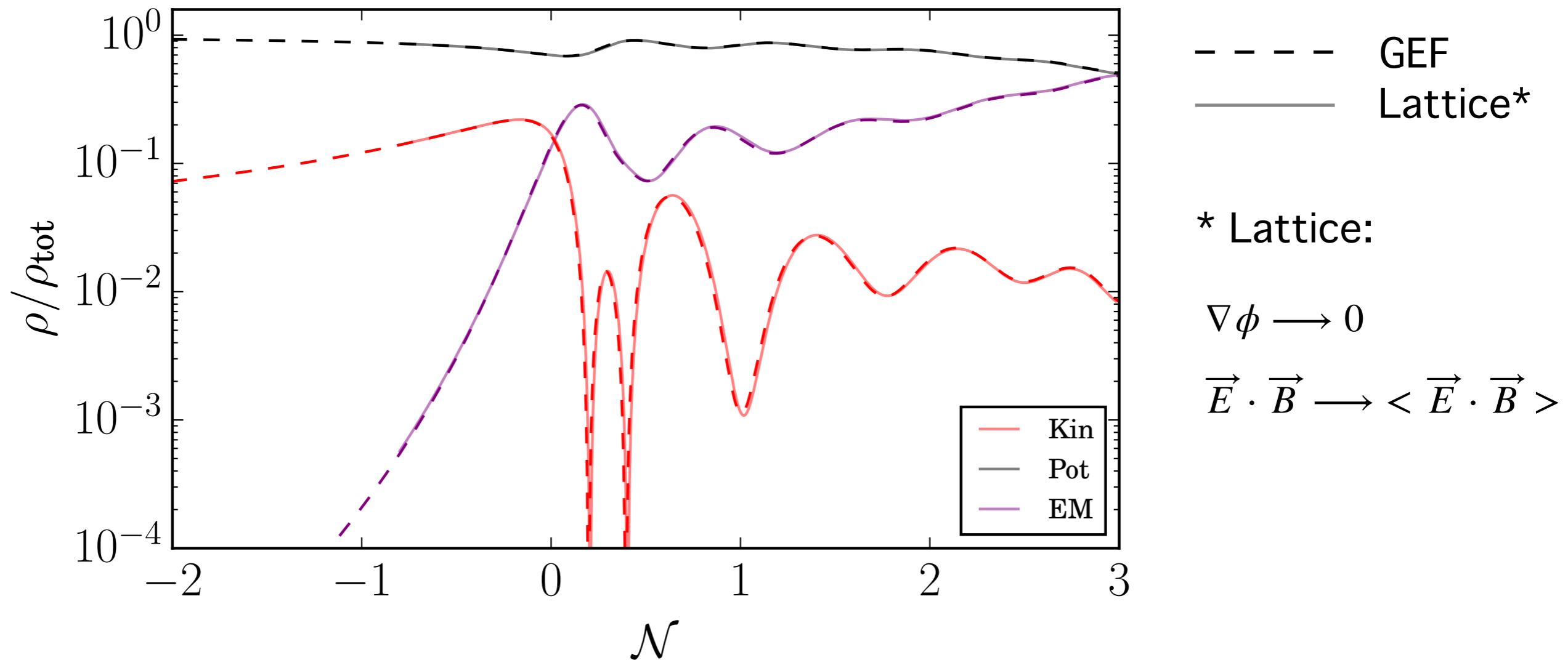
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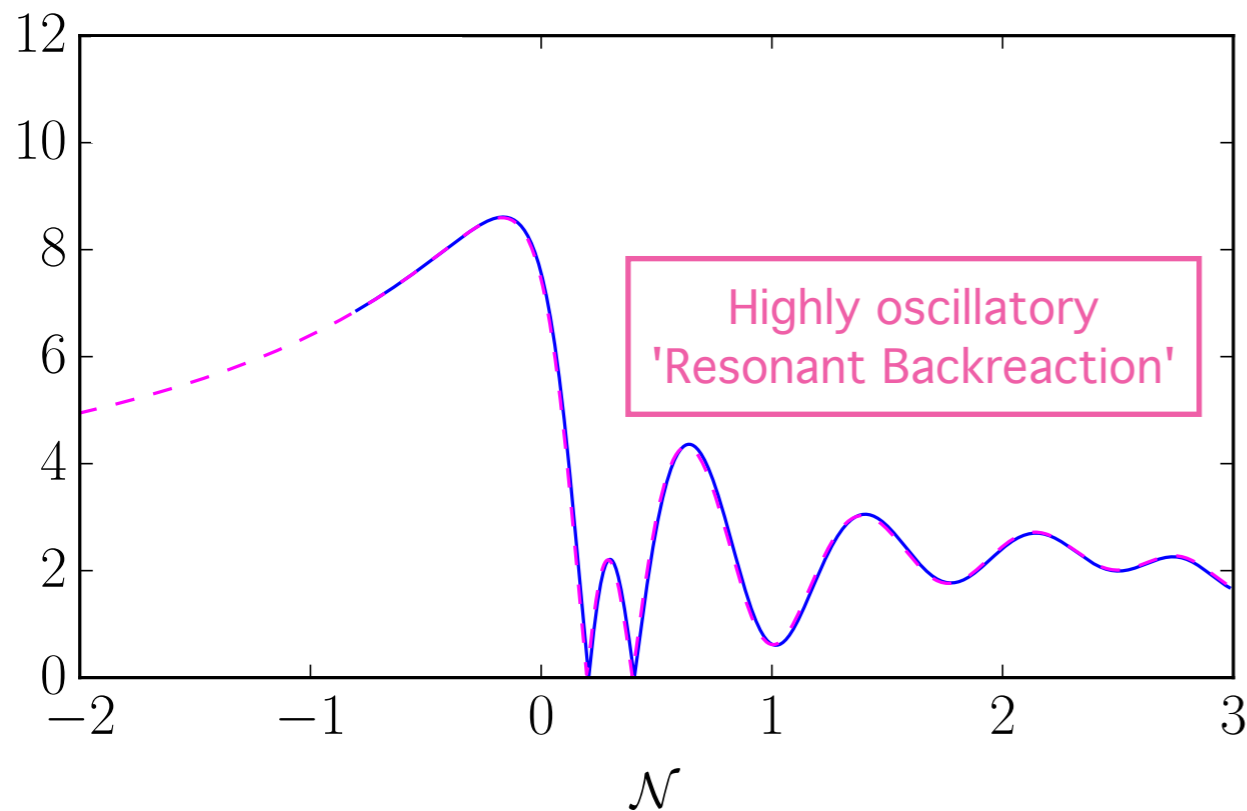


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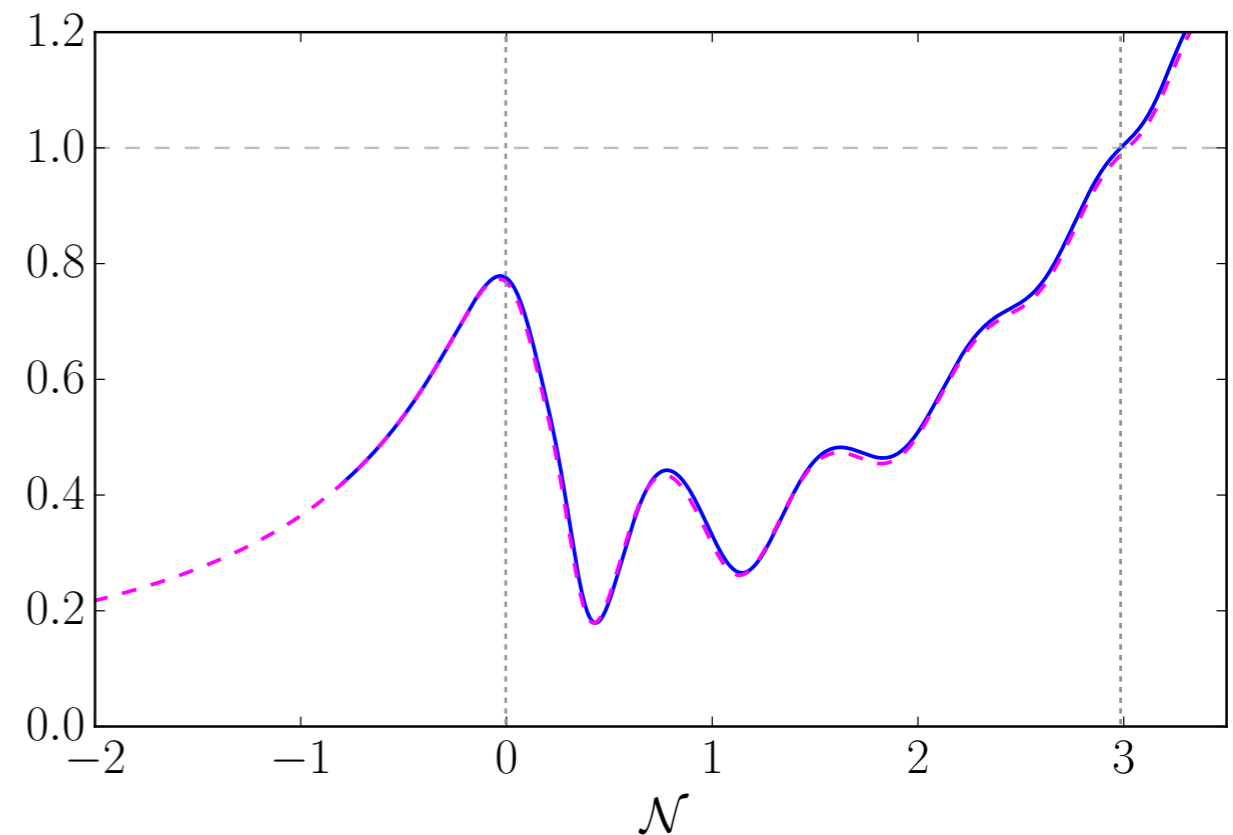
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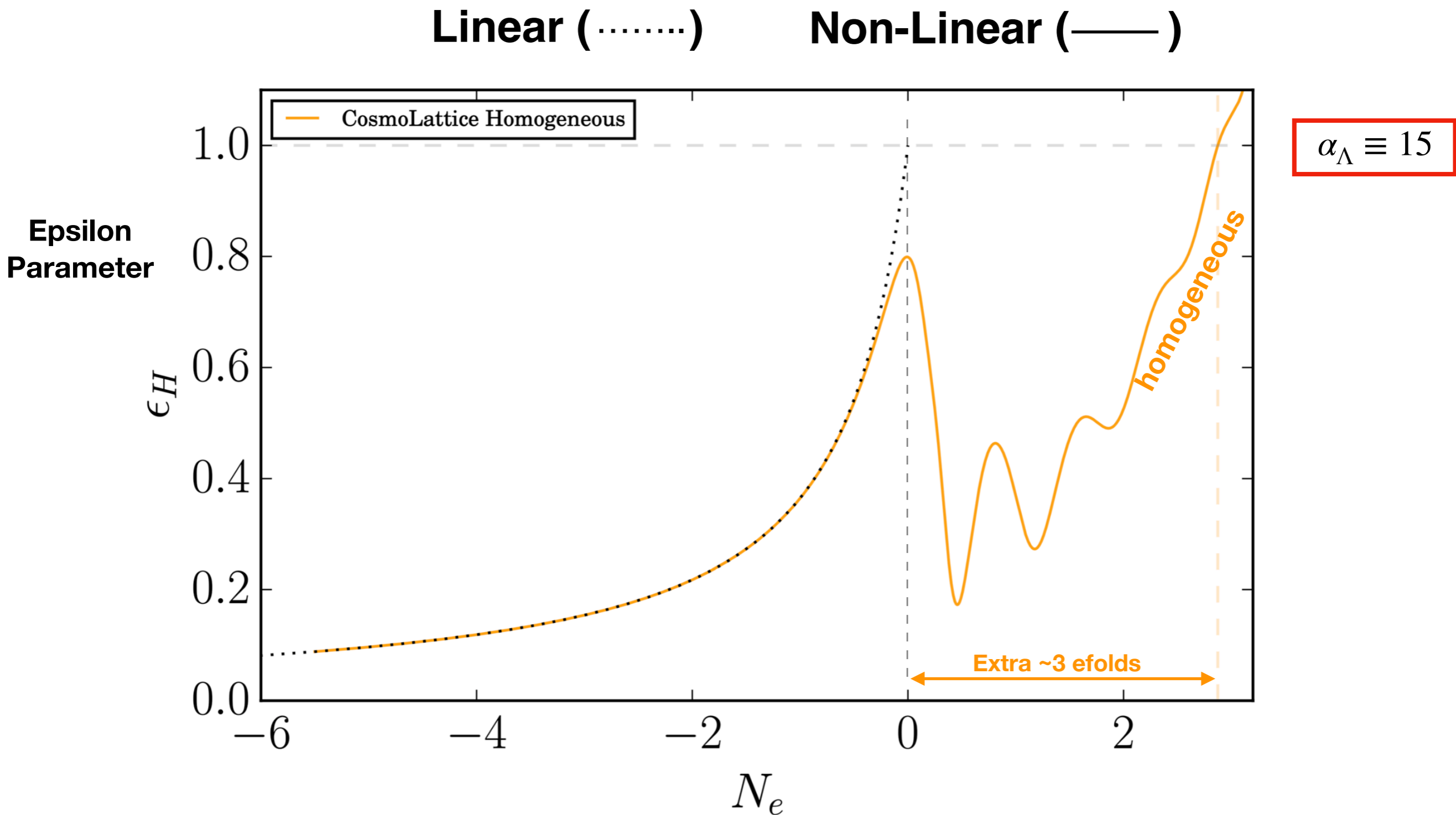


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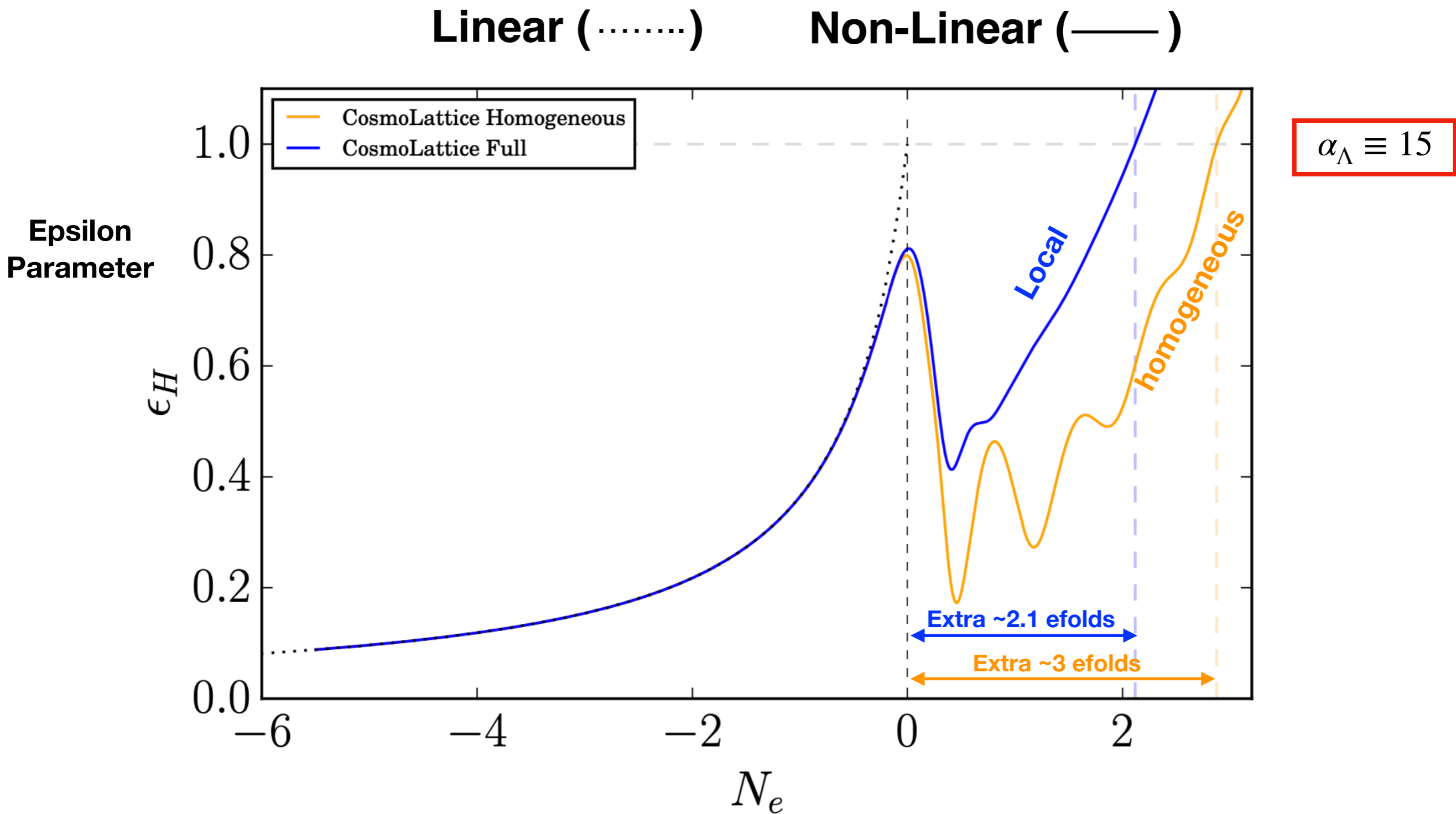


(  
- - - GEF  
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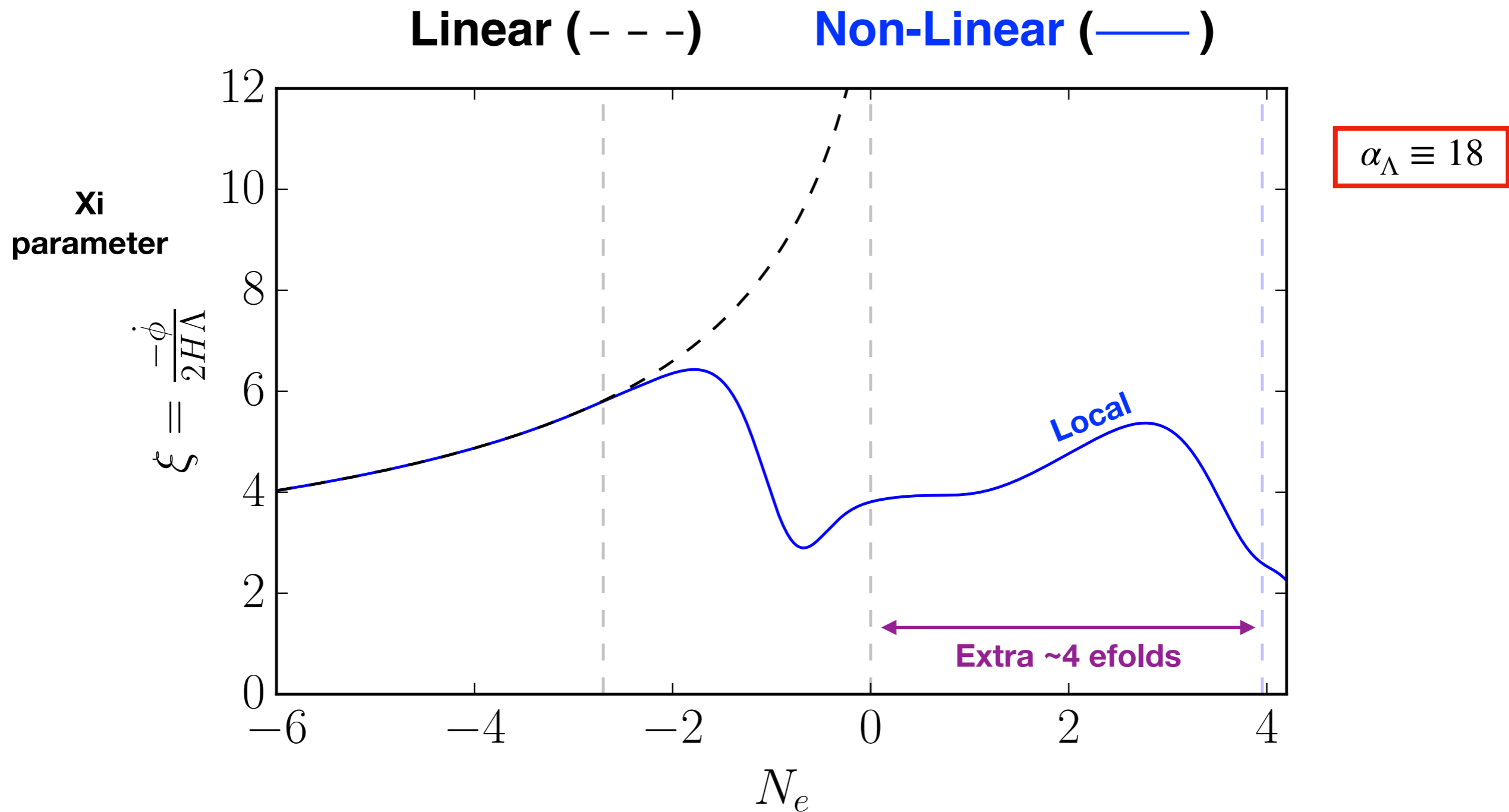
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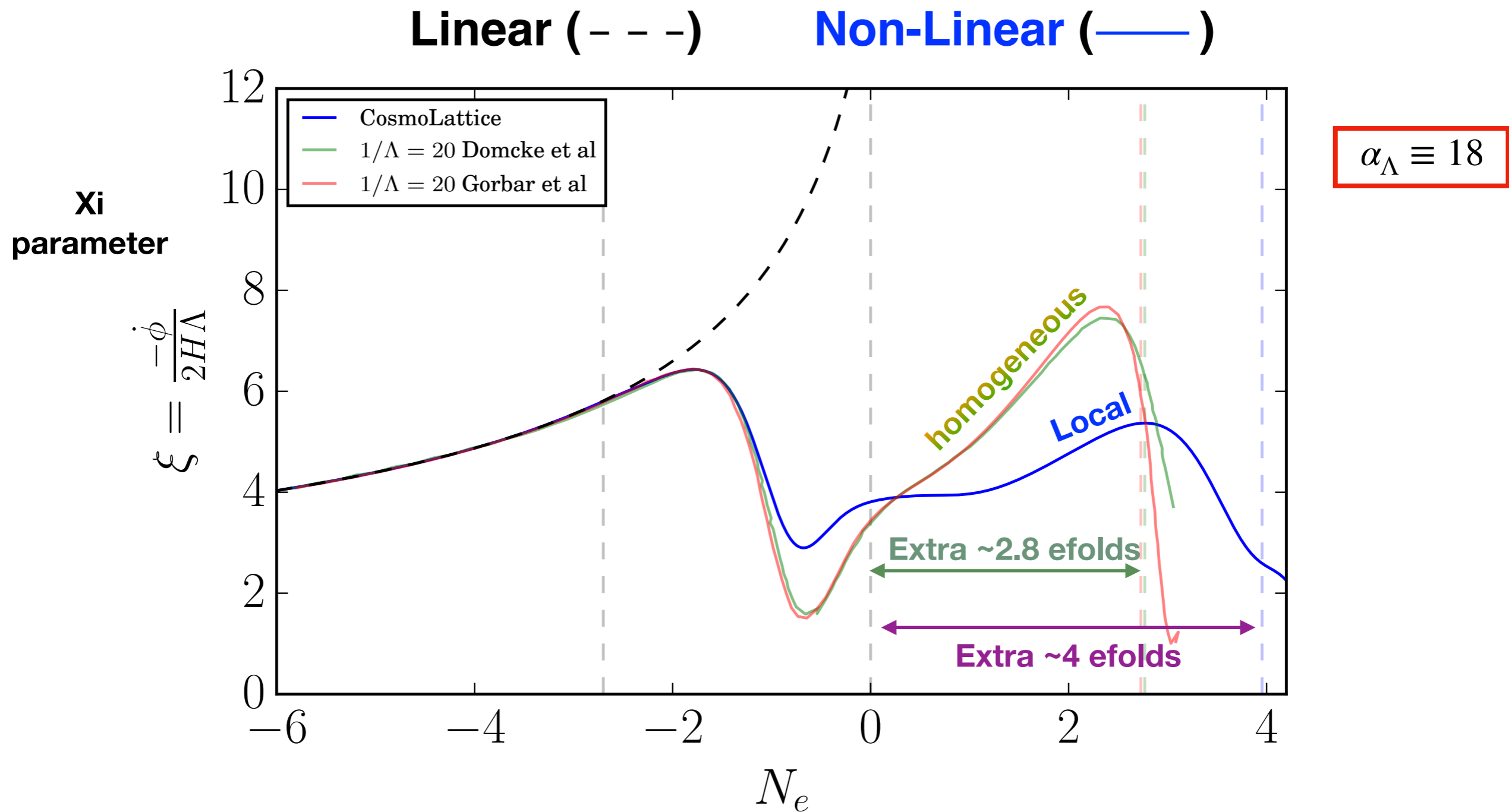
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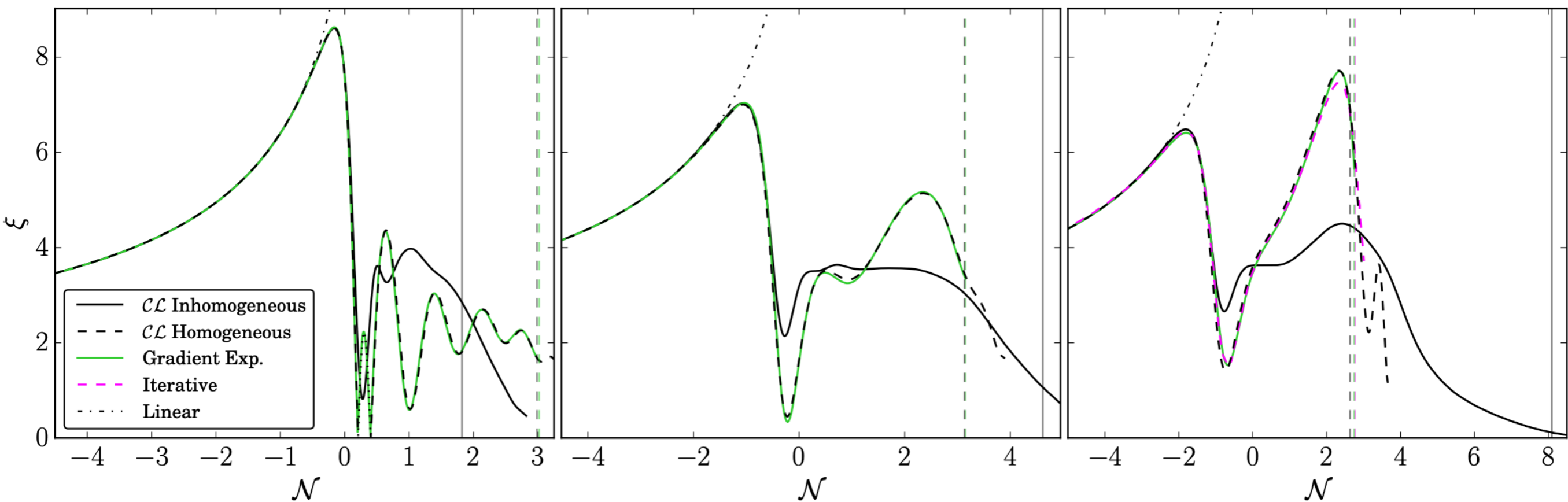
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$(\alpha = 15, 18, 20)$

$\alpha_\Lambda = 15$

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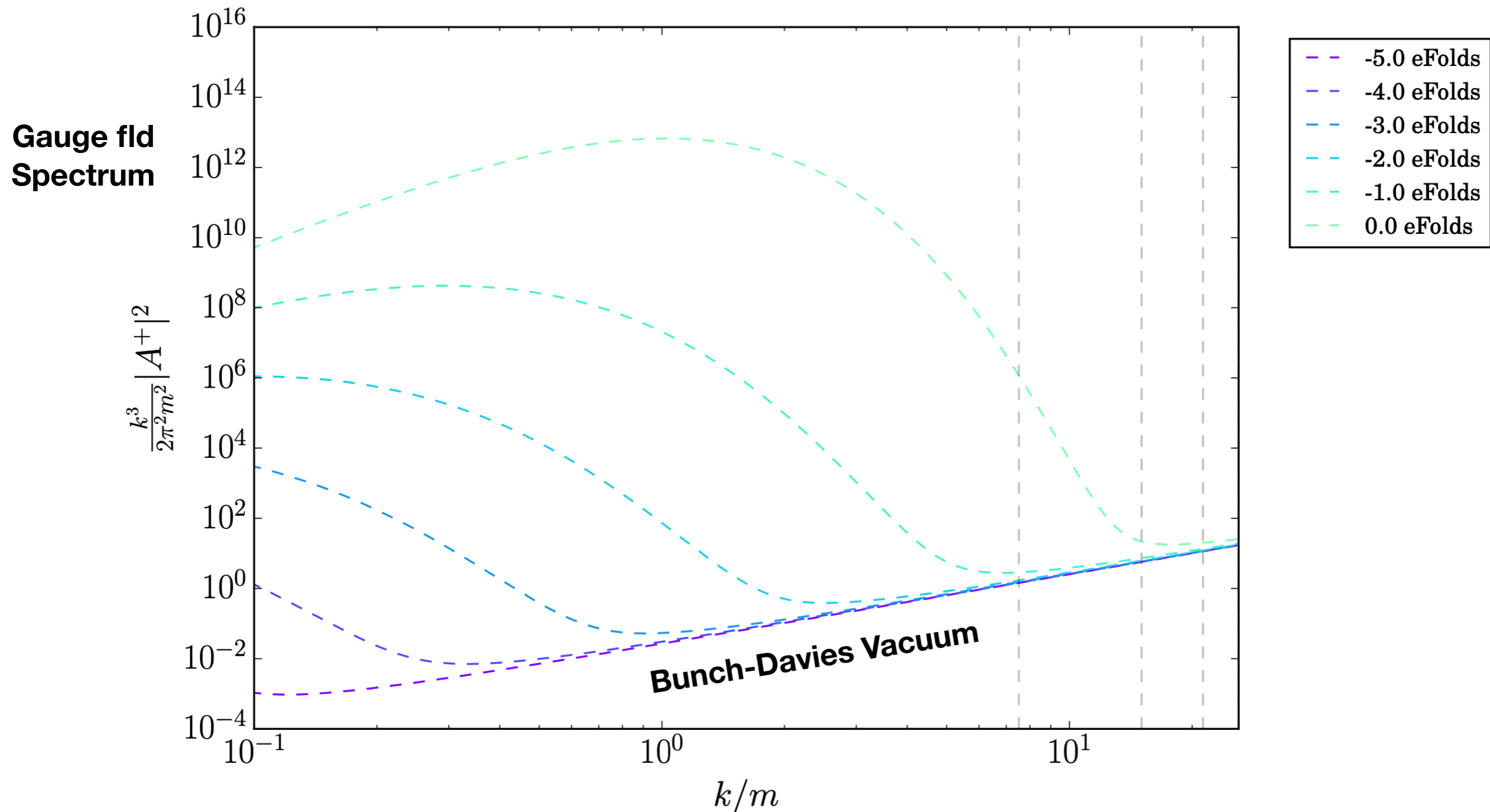
$$\Delta \mathcal{N}_{InH} \simeq 4.5$$

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# **Gauge Amplification**

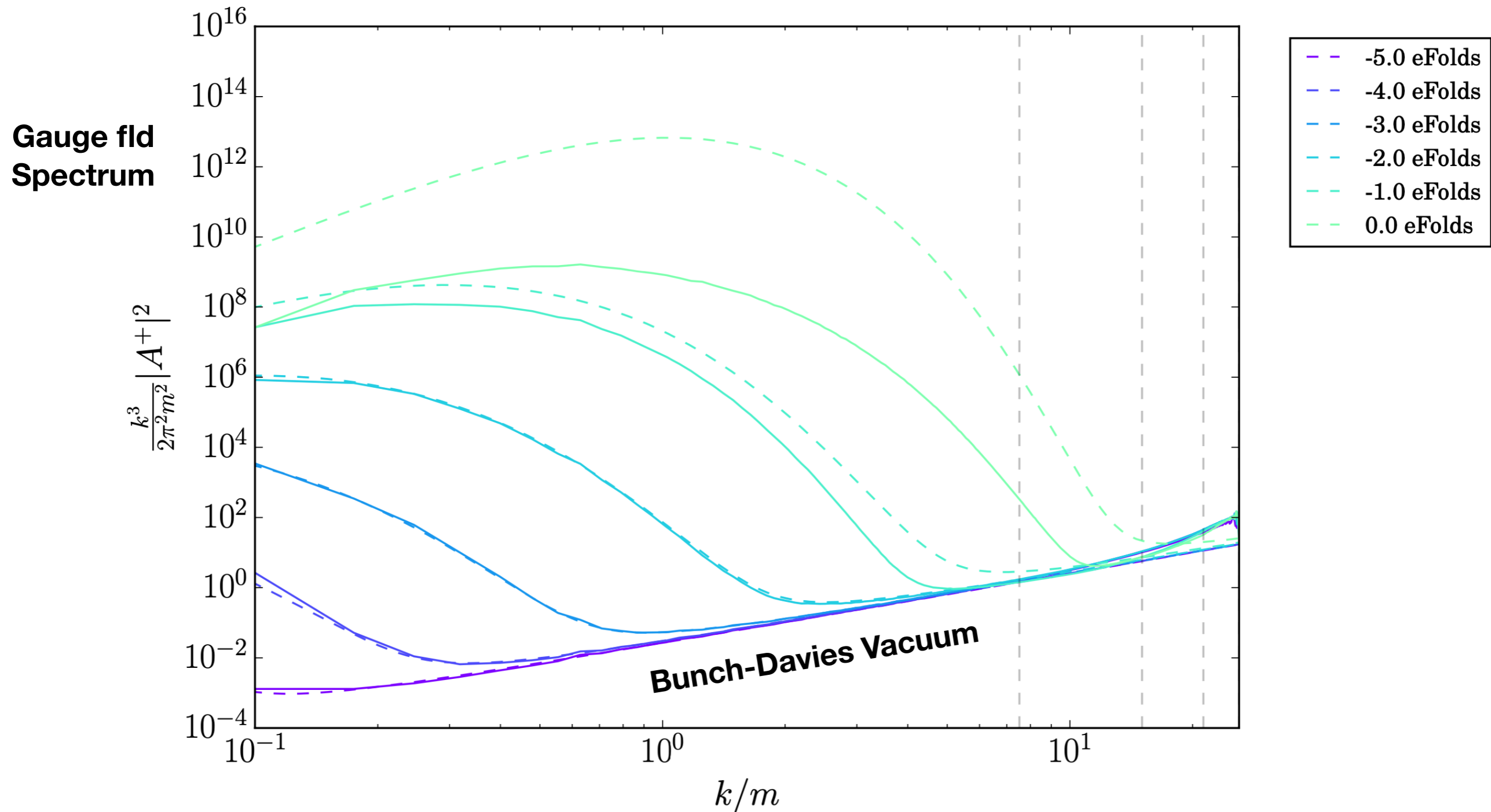
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Linear regime (  )



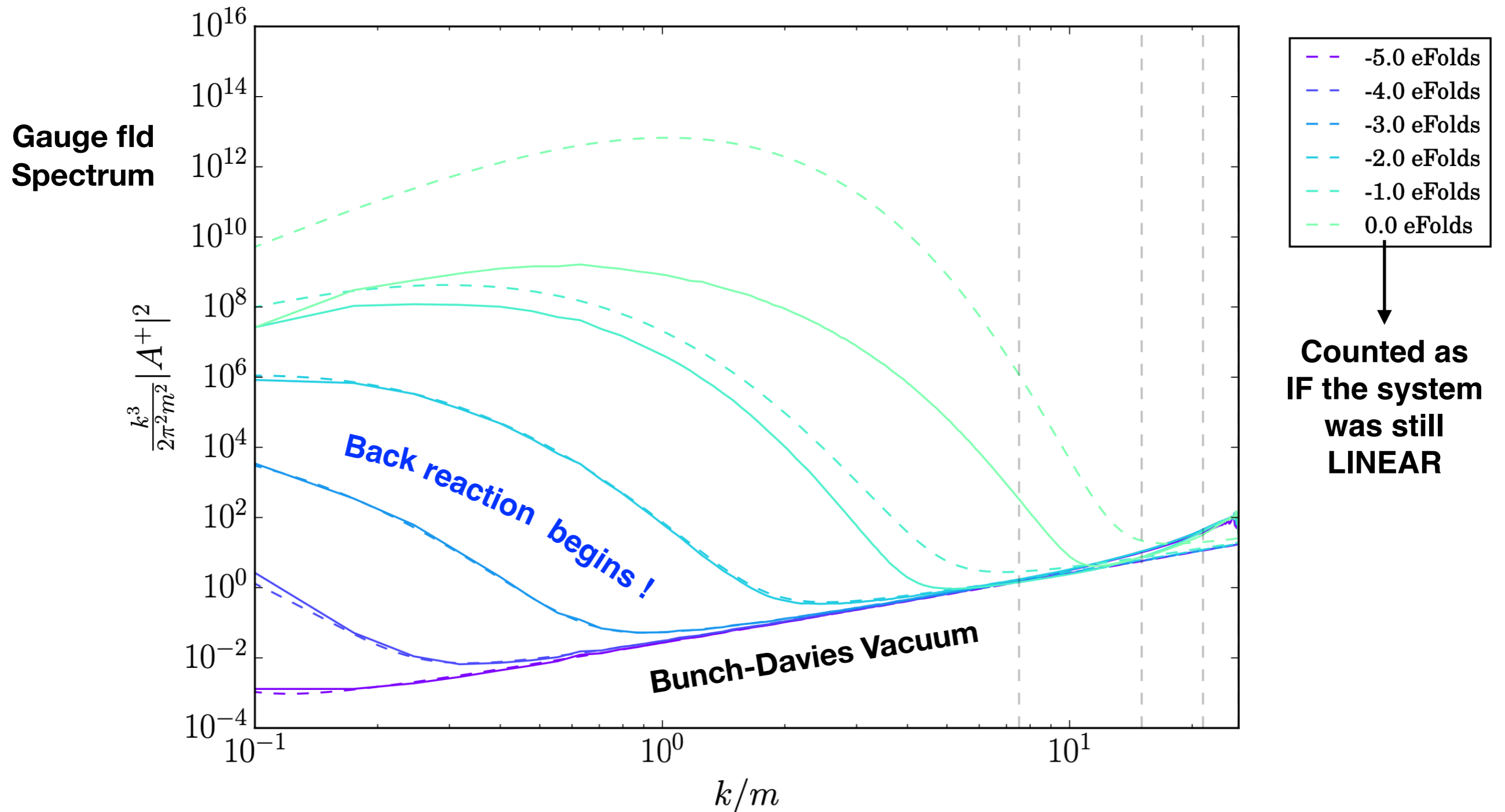
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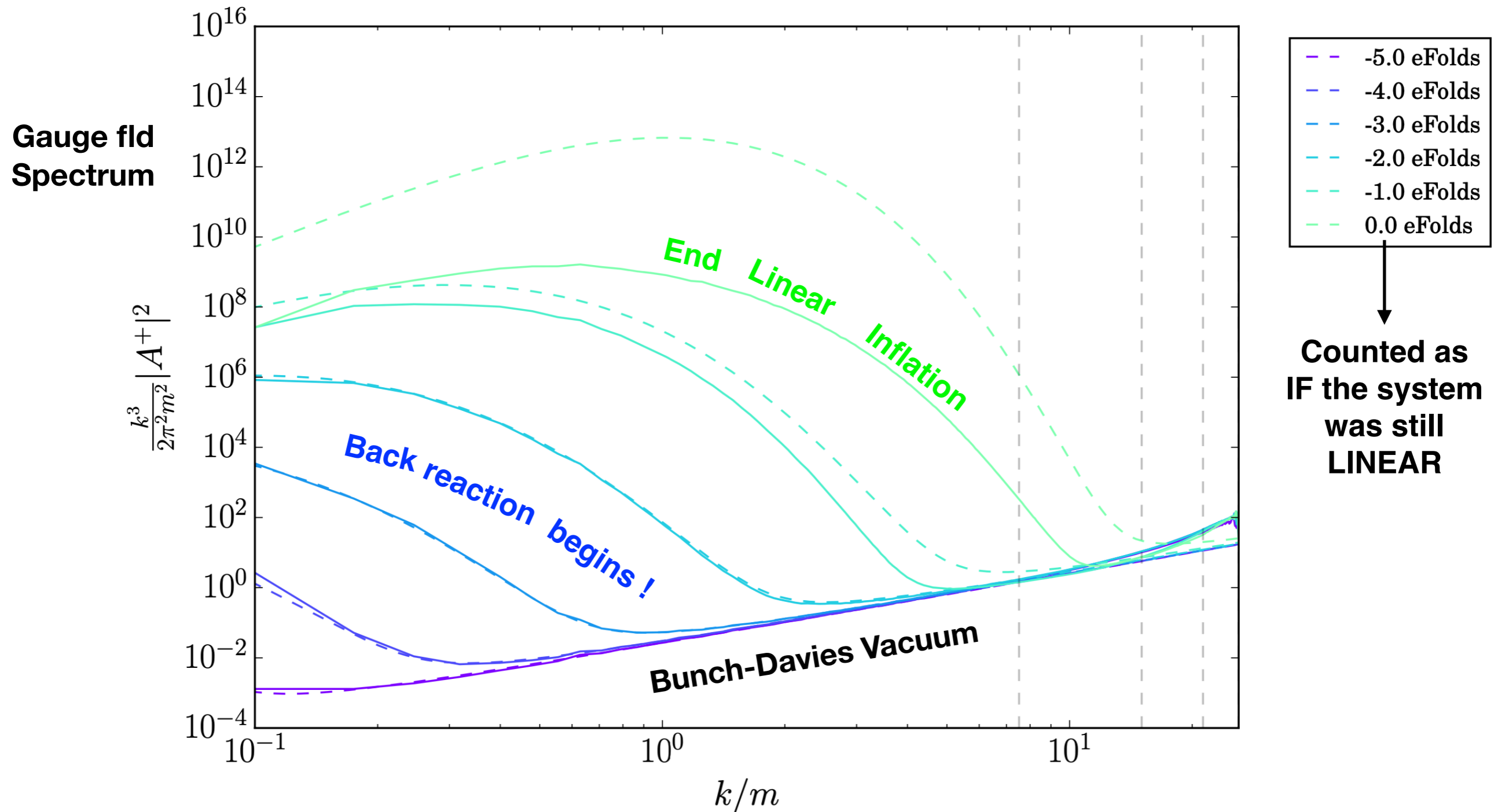
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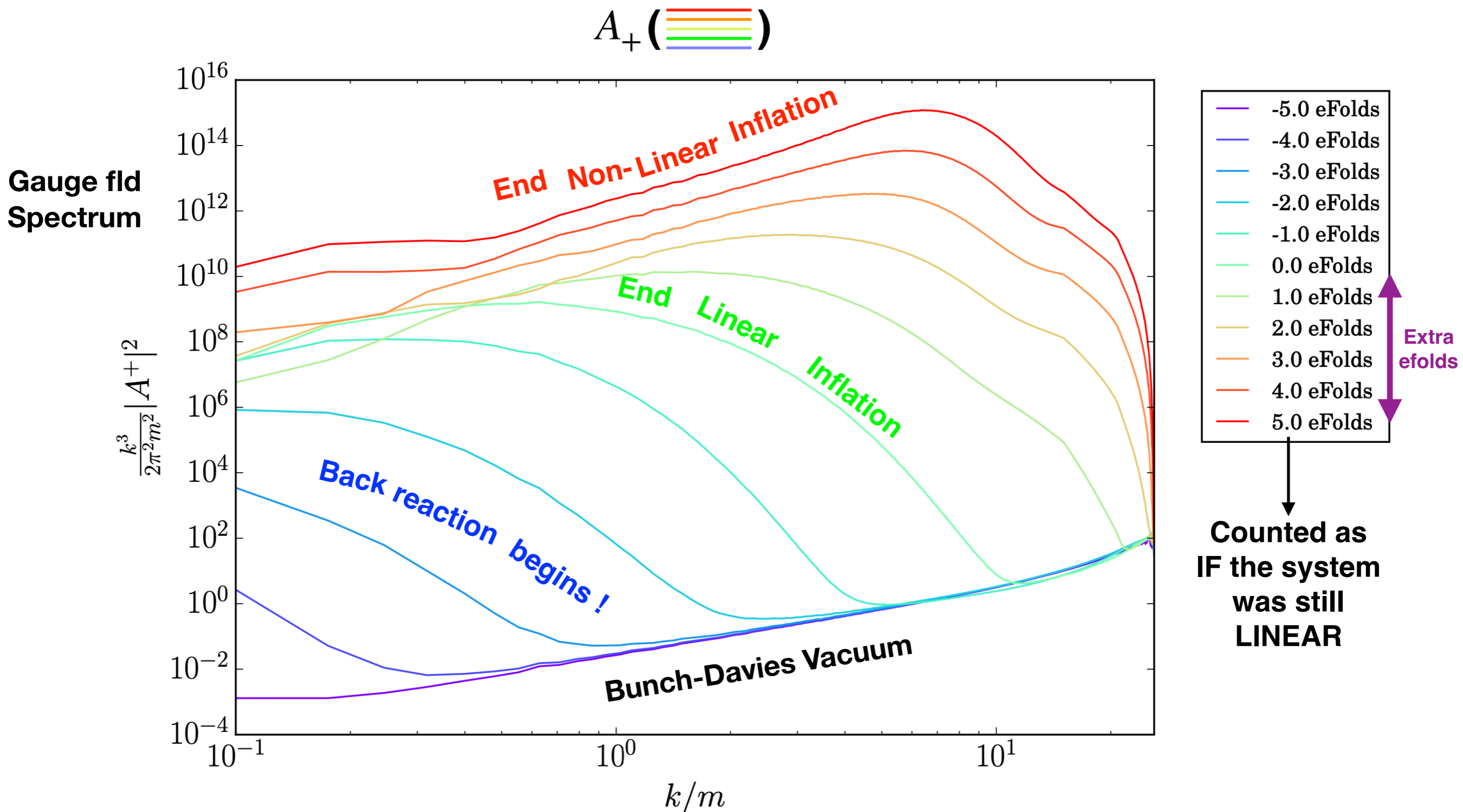


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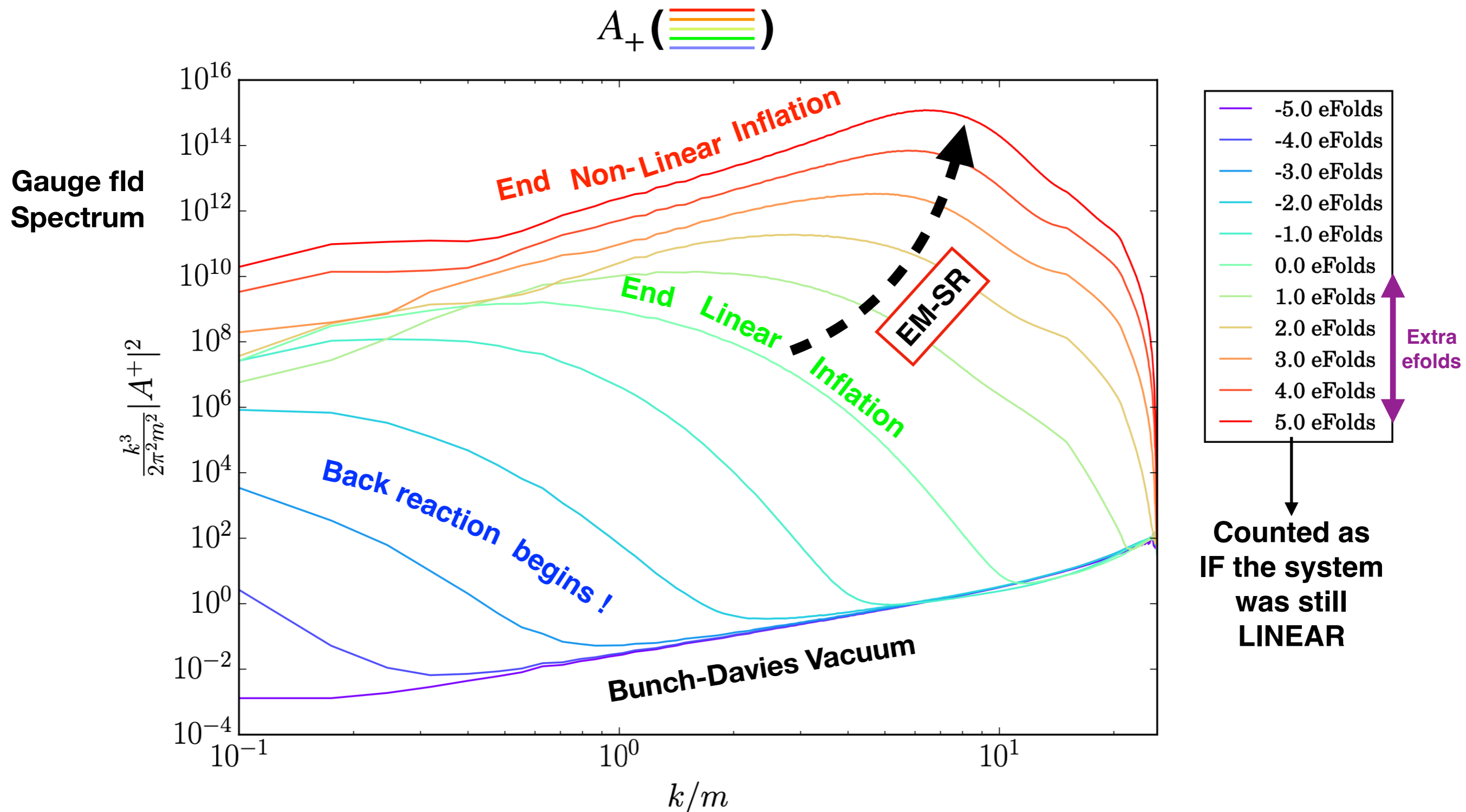
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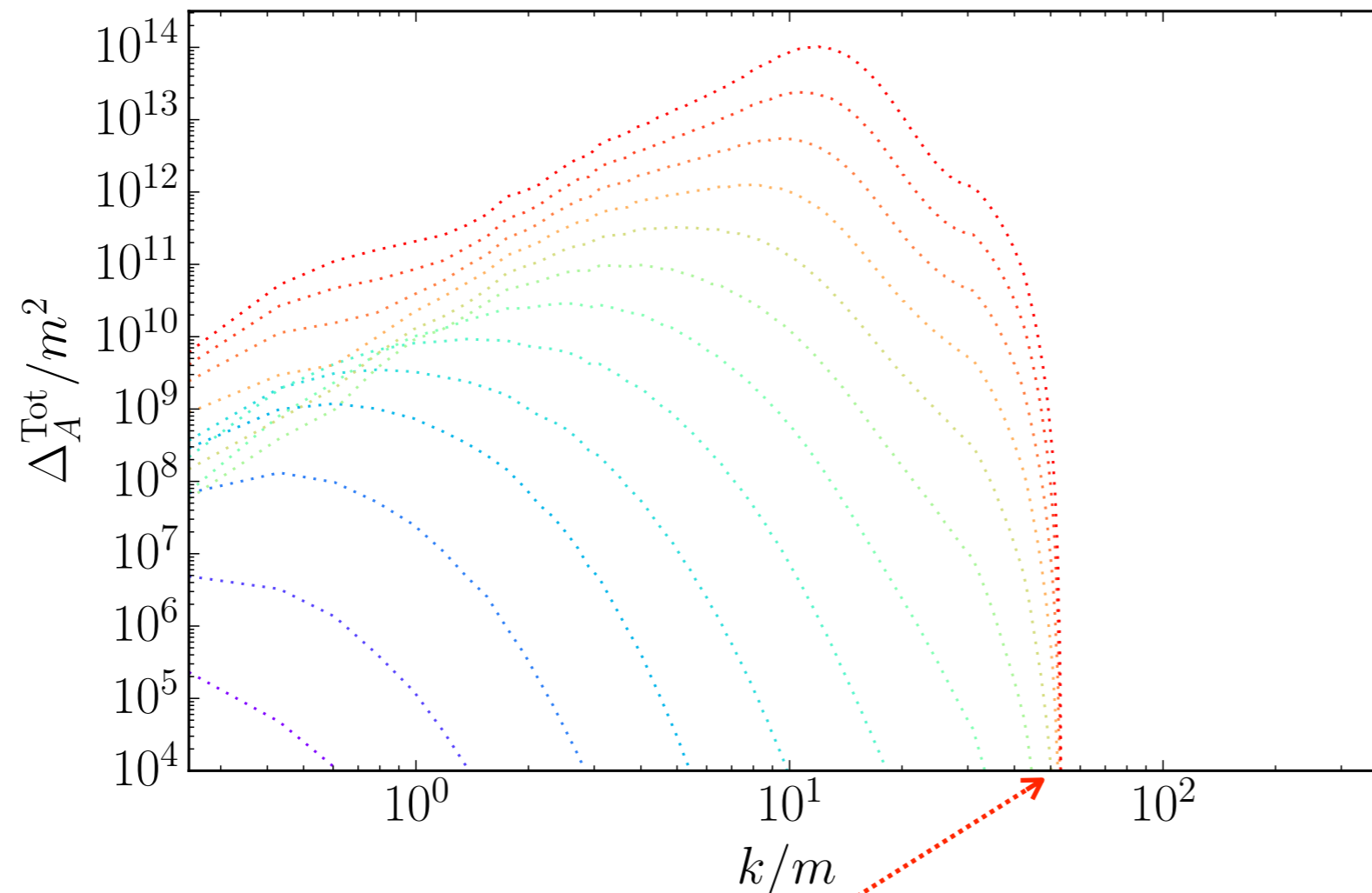
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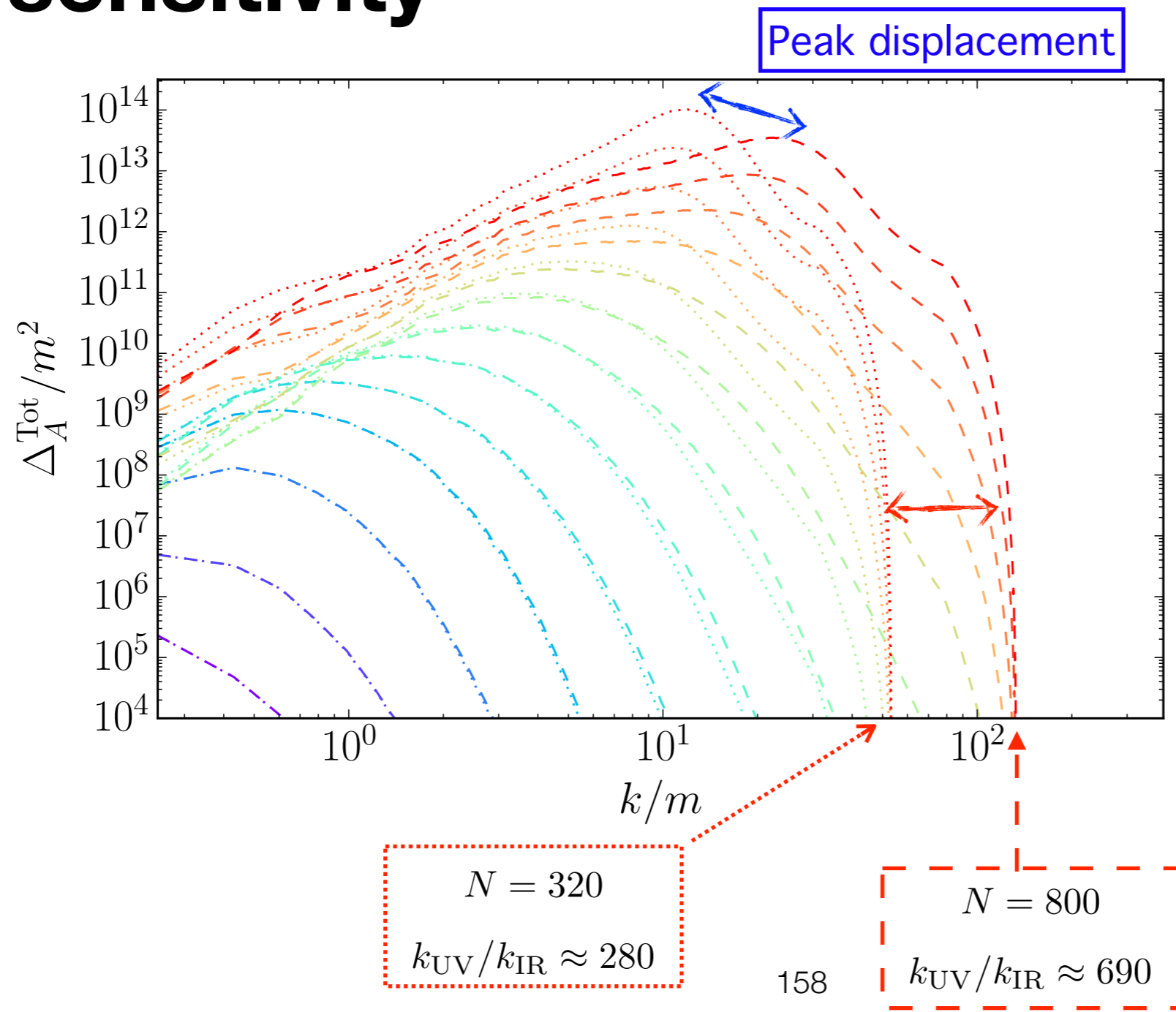
## UV sensitivity



$N = 320$   
 $k_{\text{UV}}/k_{\text{IR}} \approx 280$

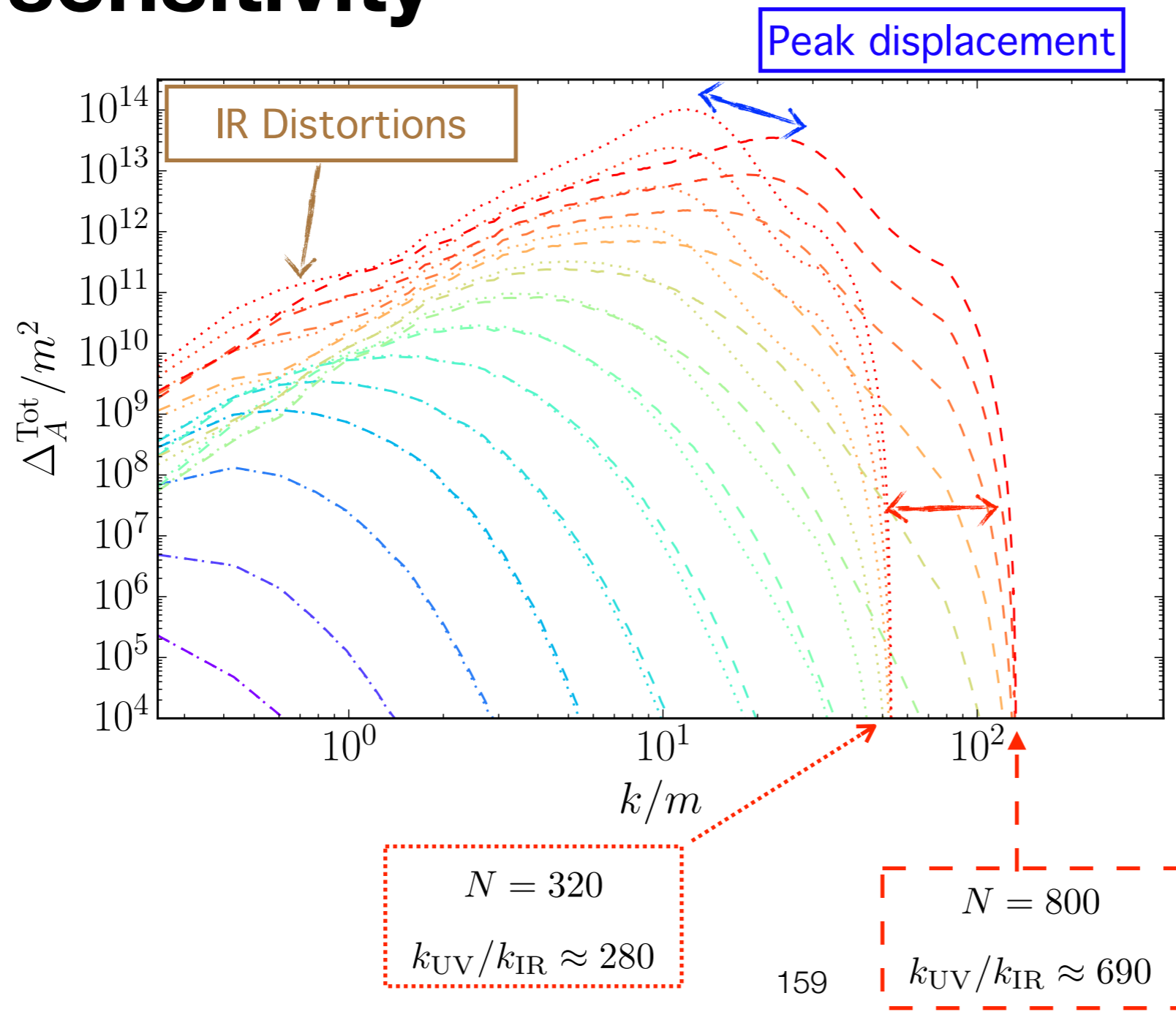
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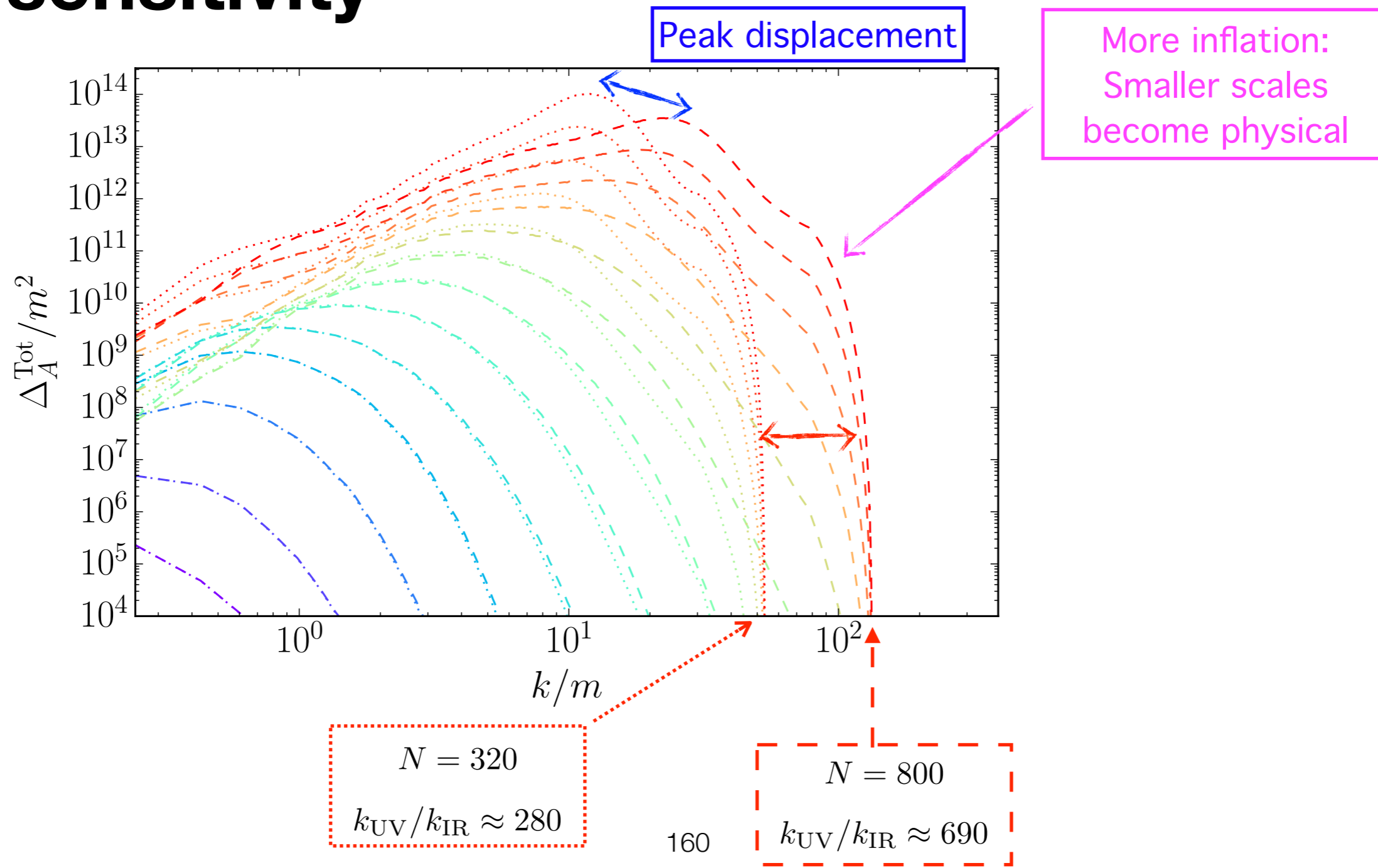
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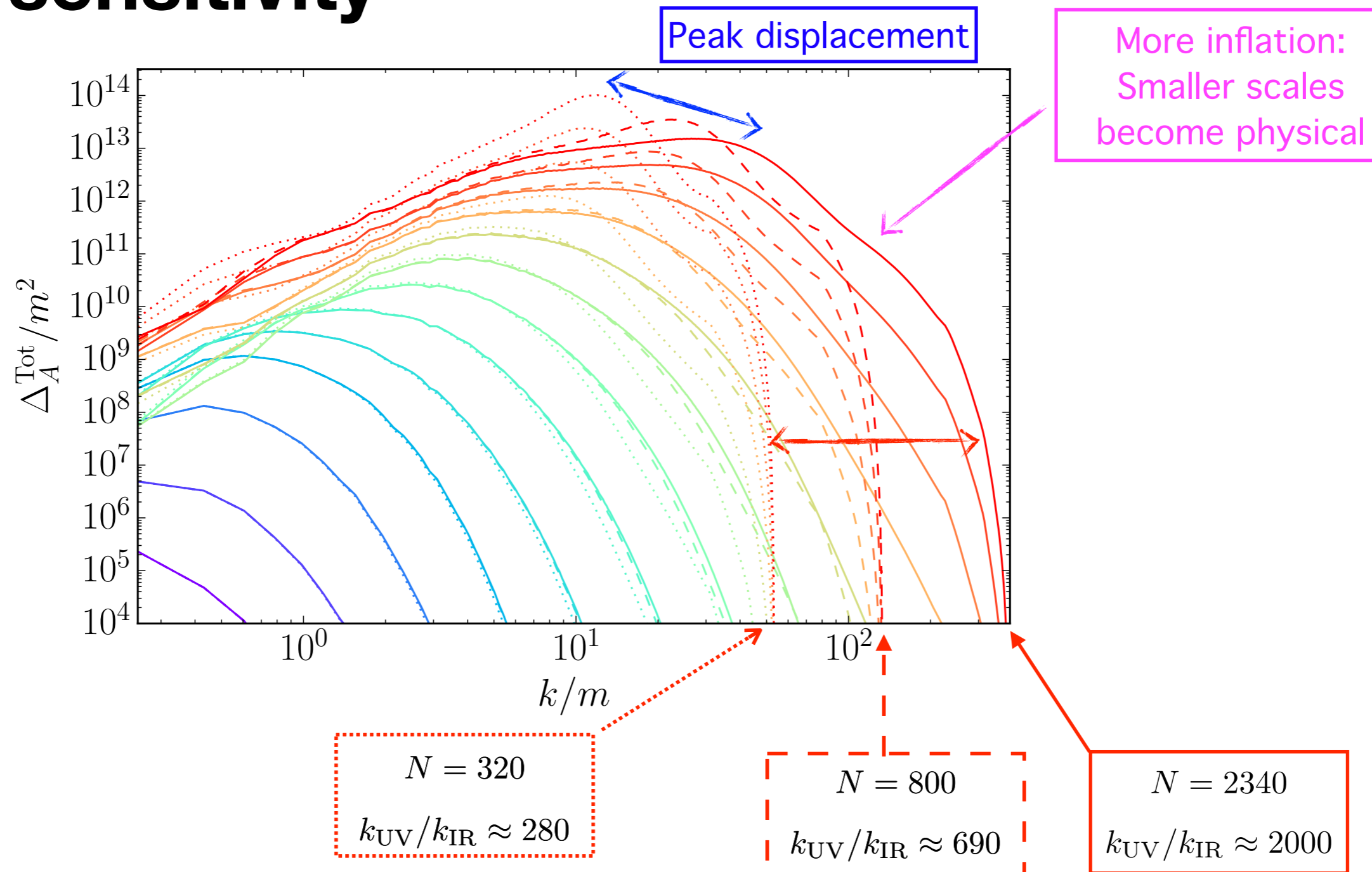
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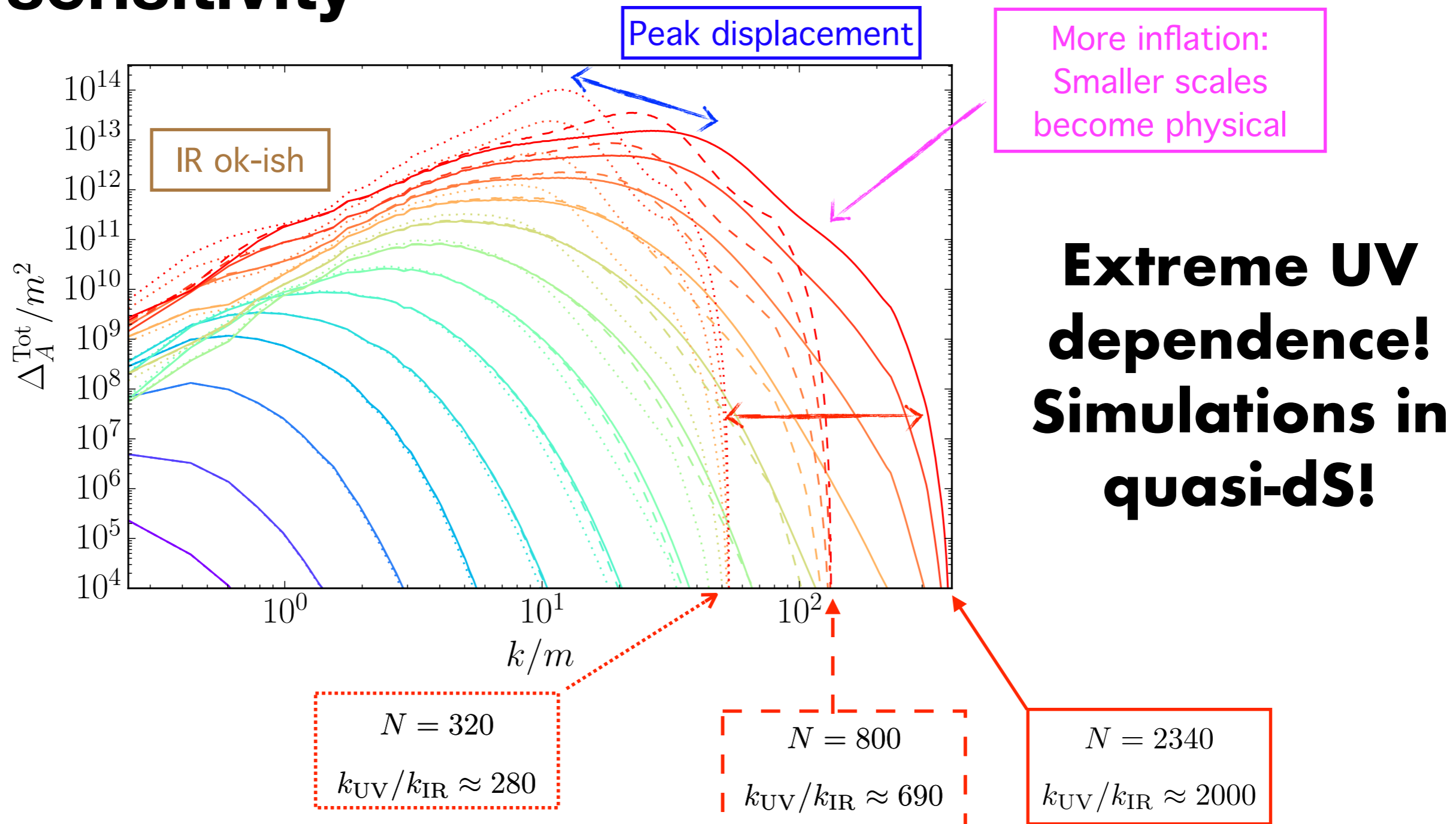
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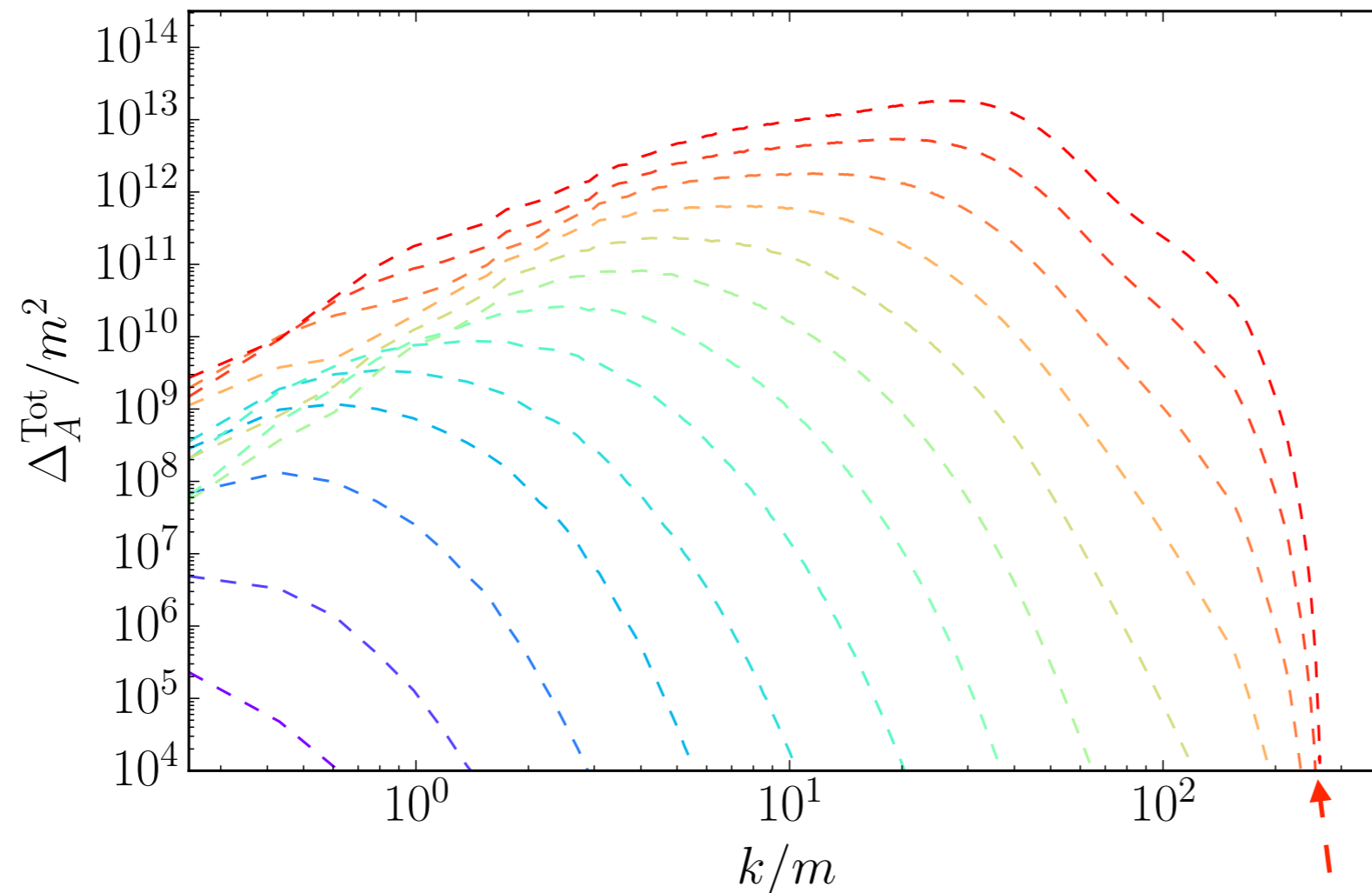
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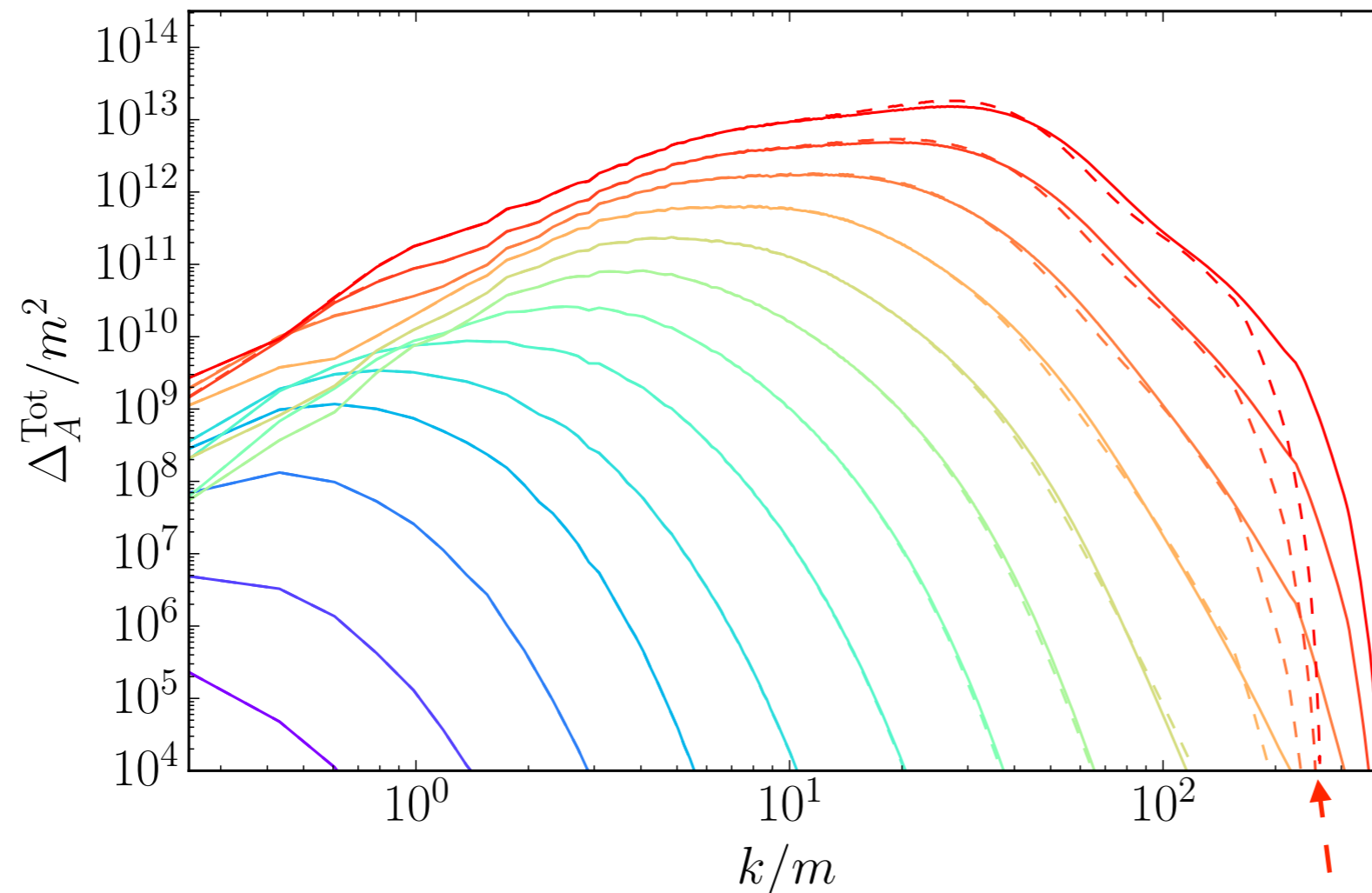


**Extreme UV  
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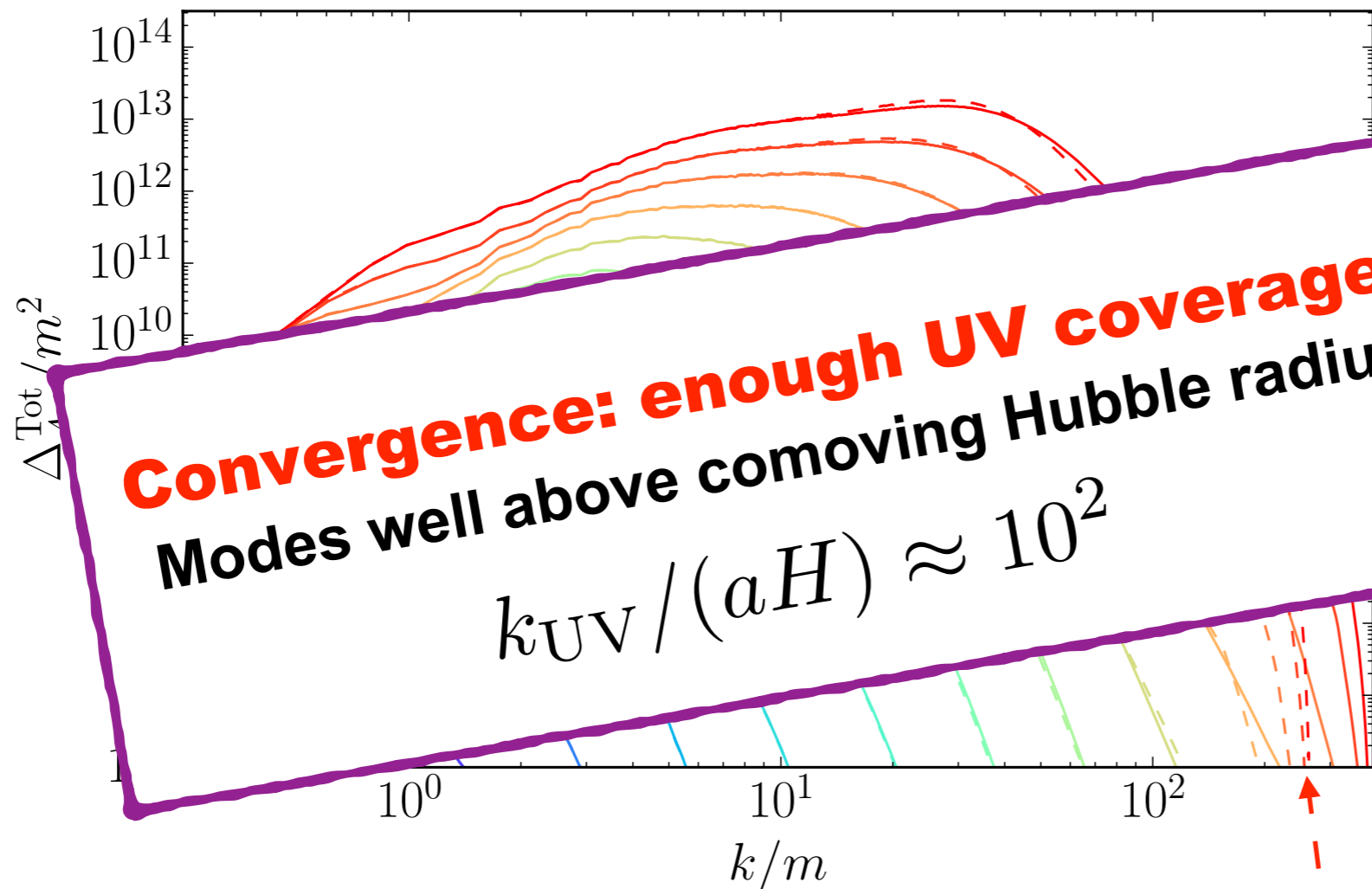
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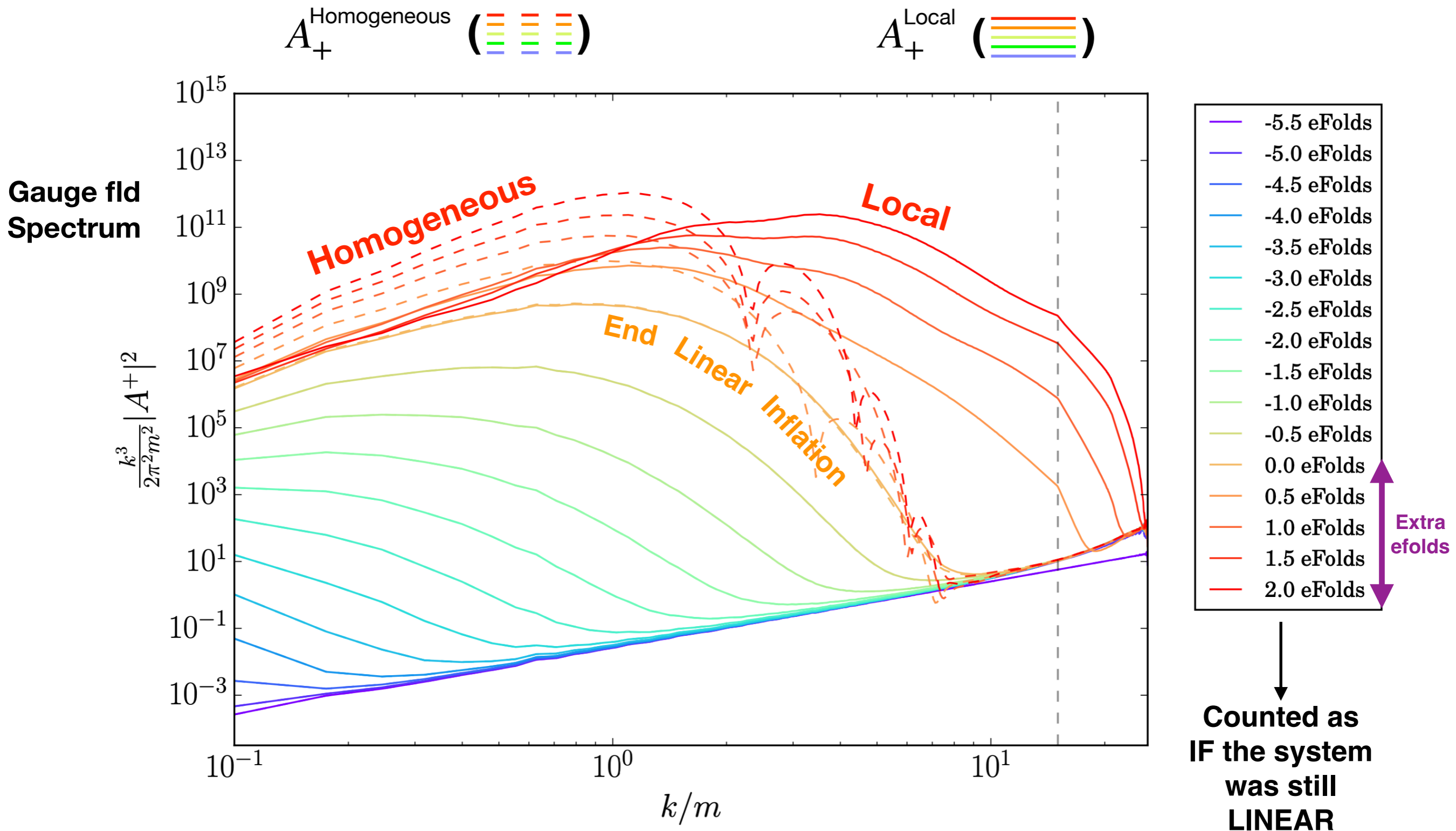
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**Gigantic lattices !**



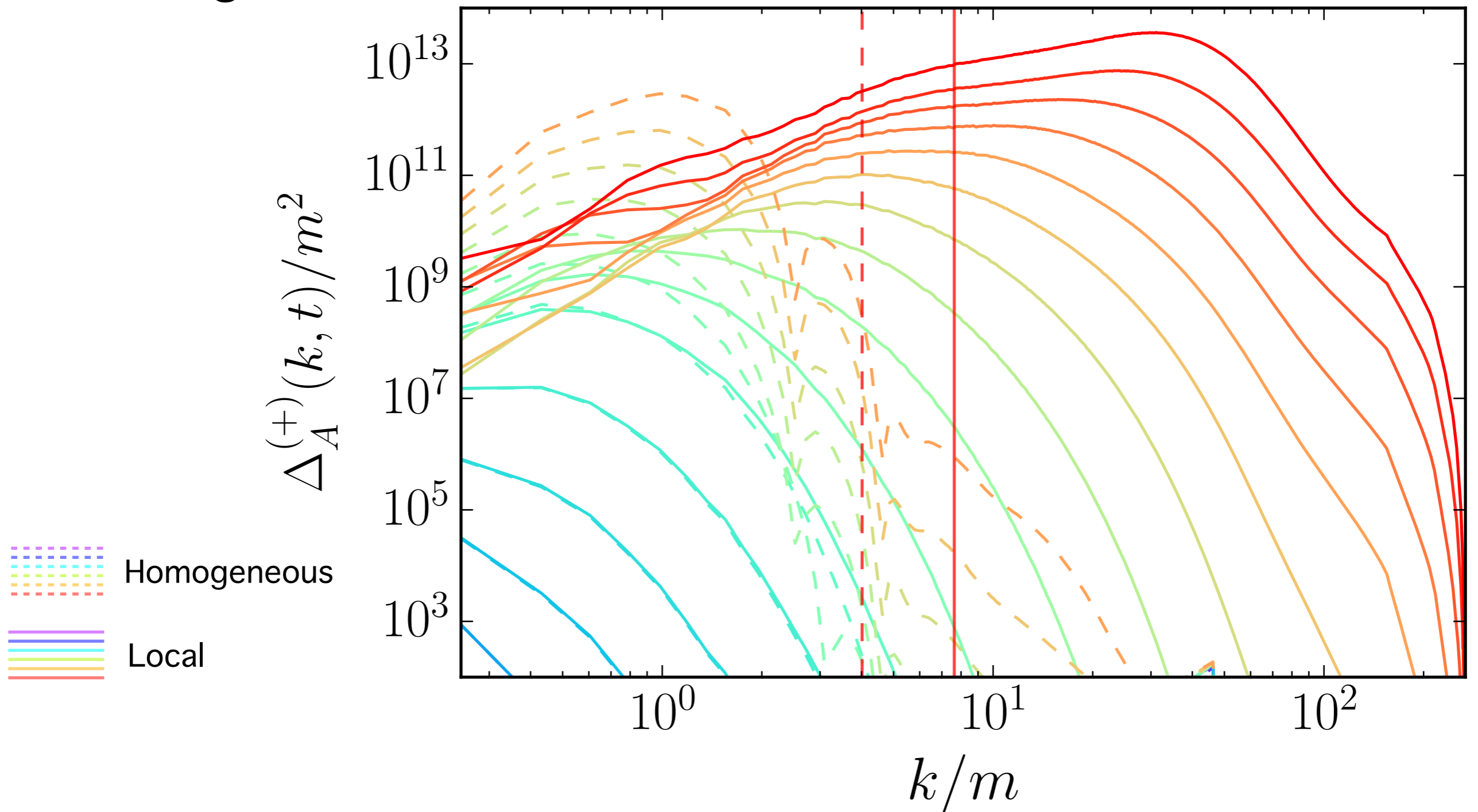
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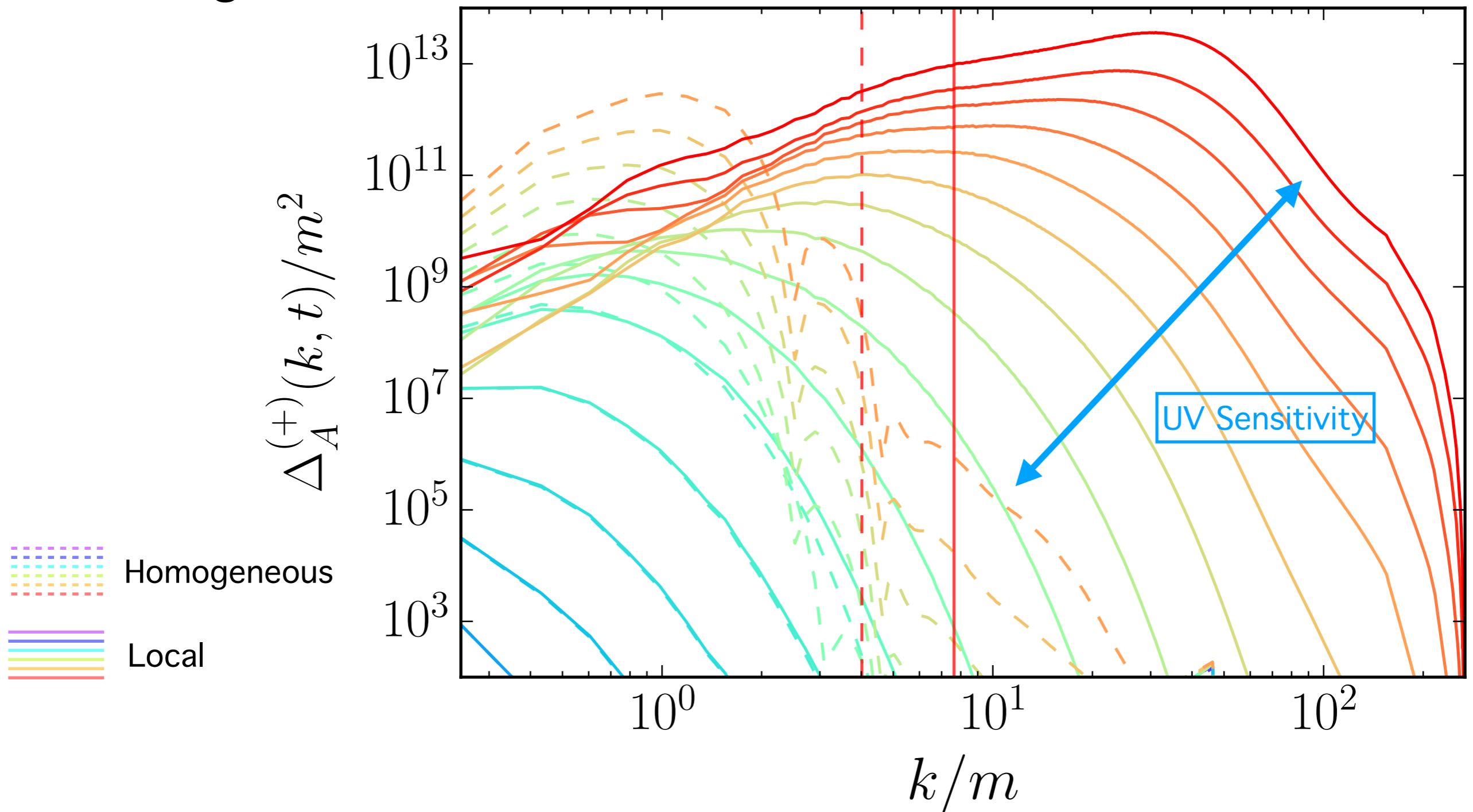
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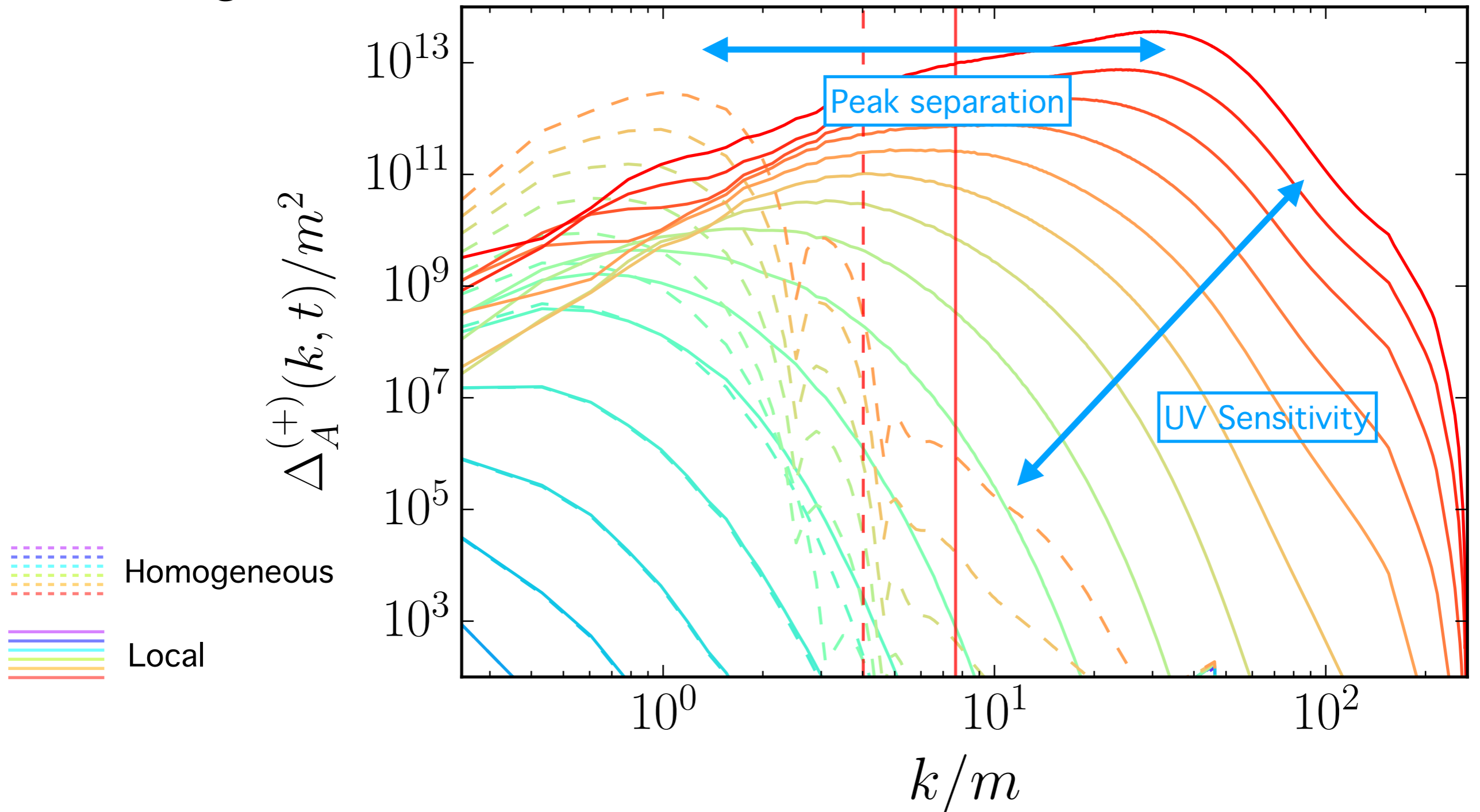
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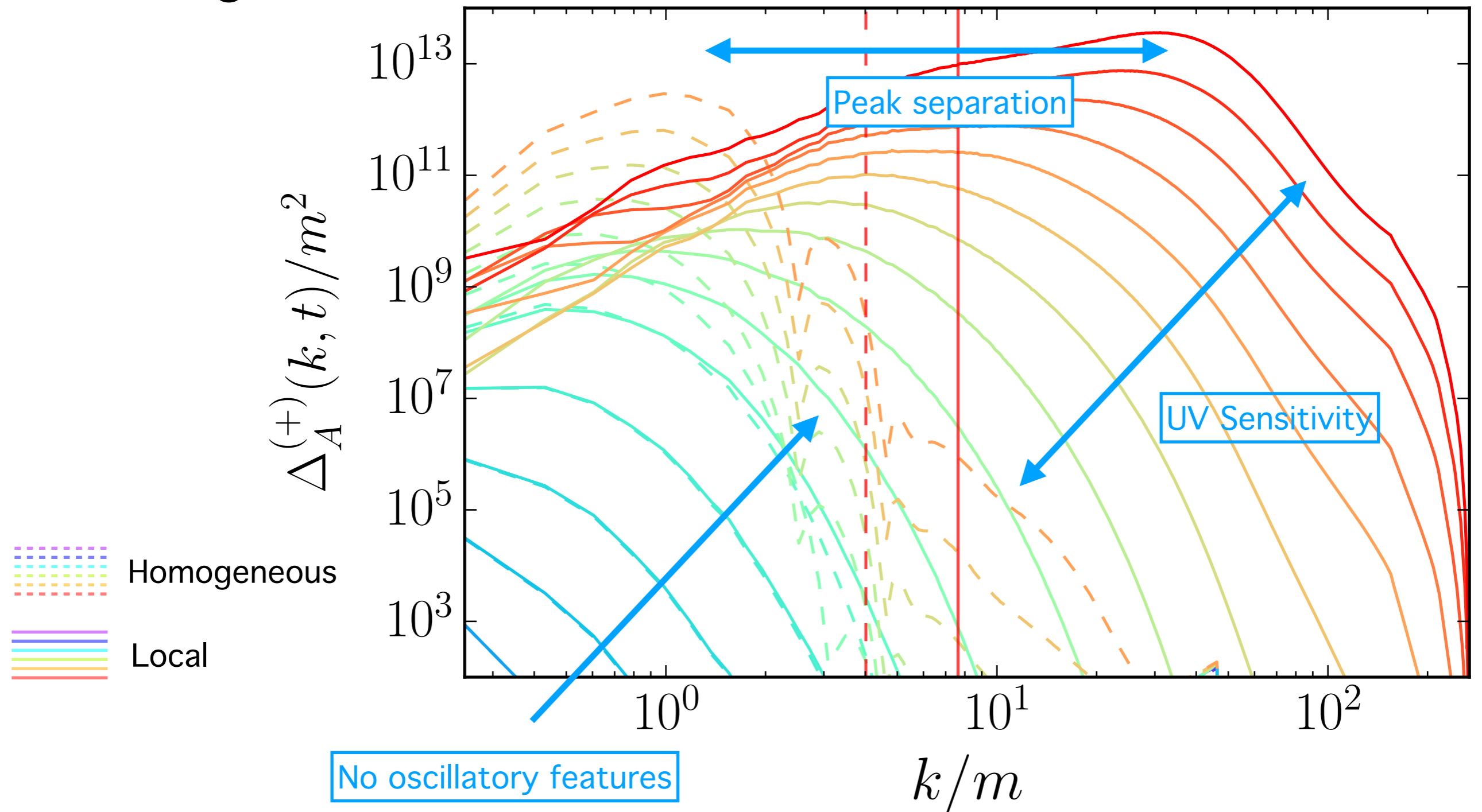
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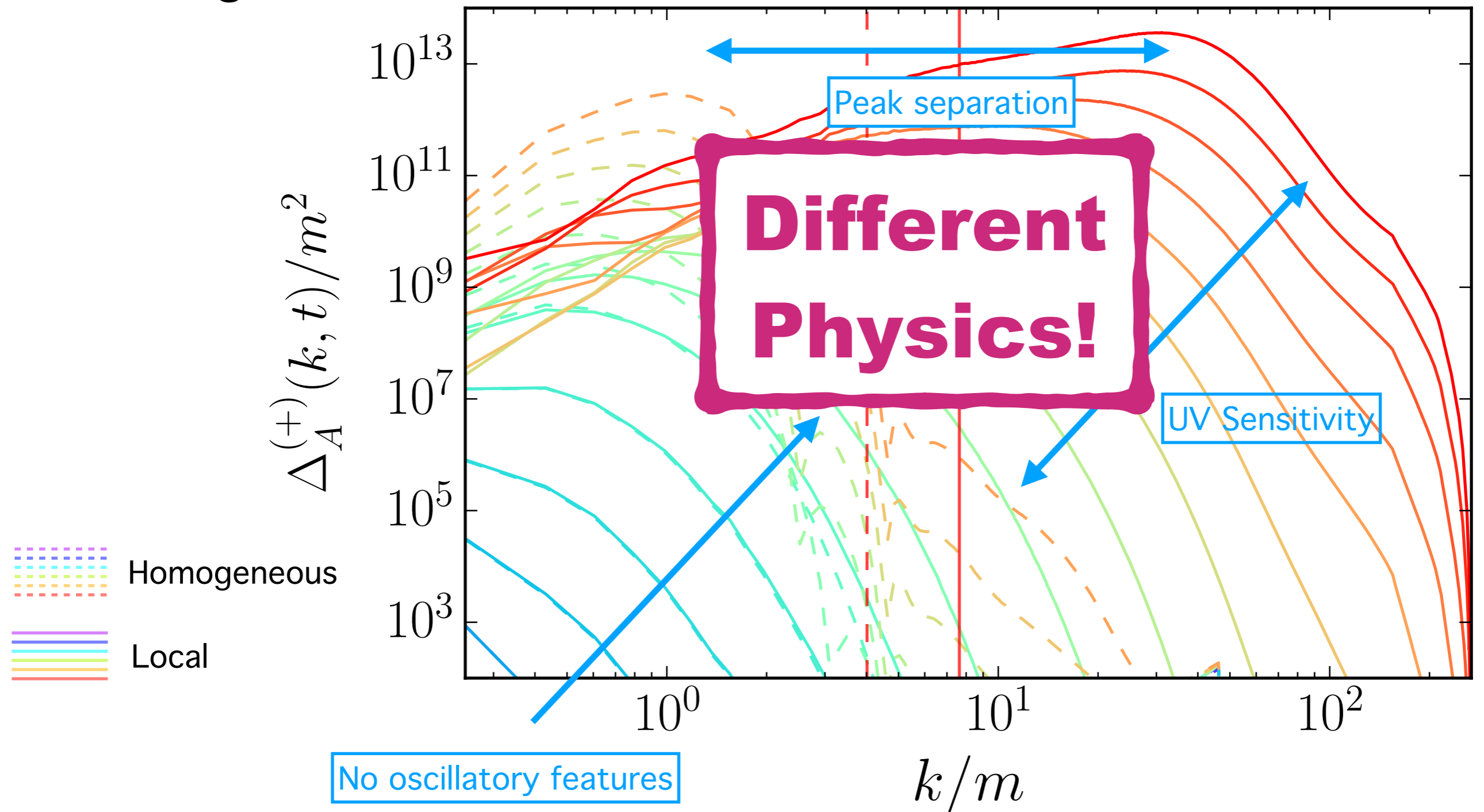
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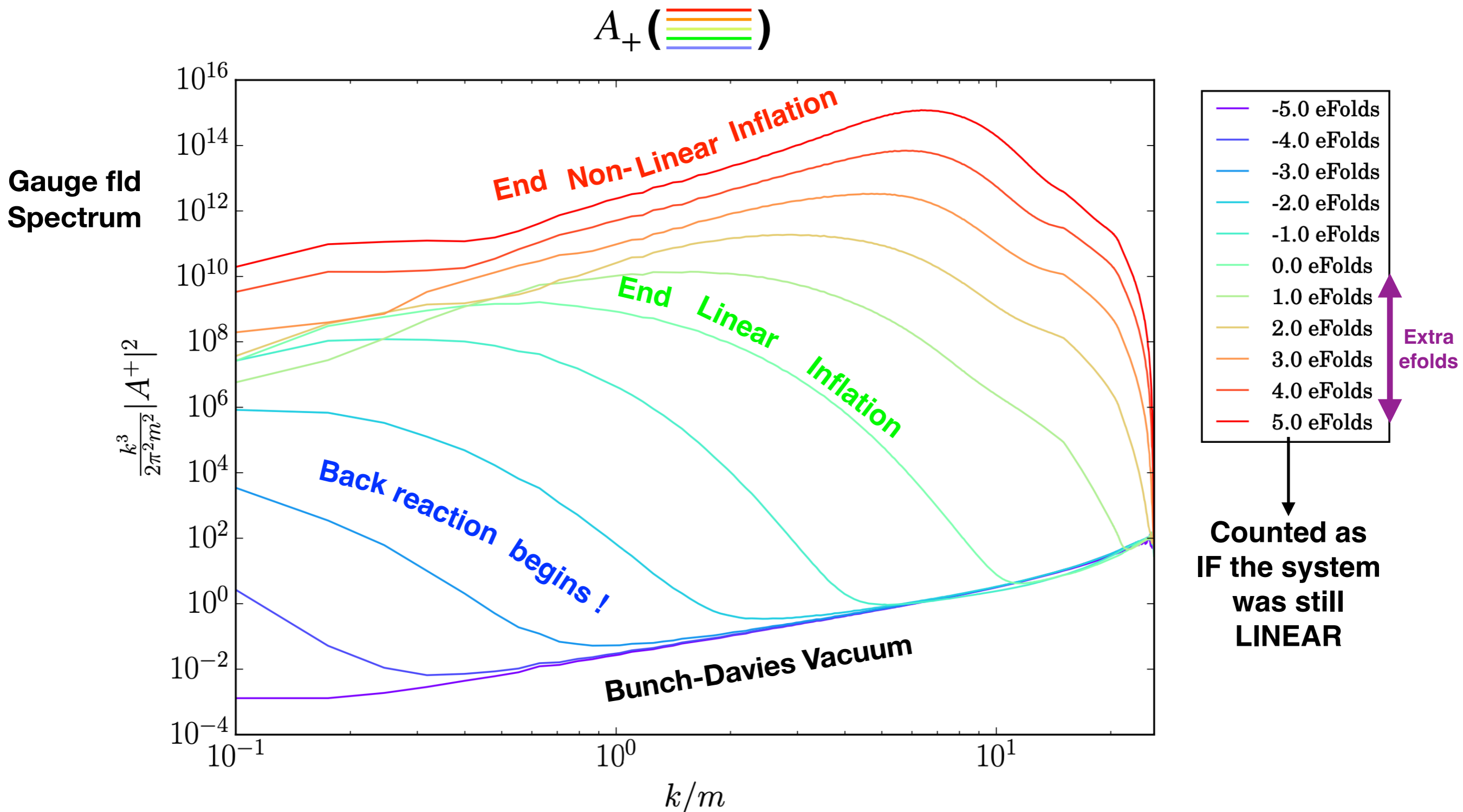
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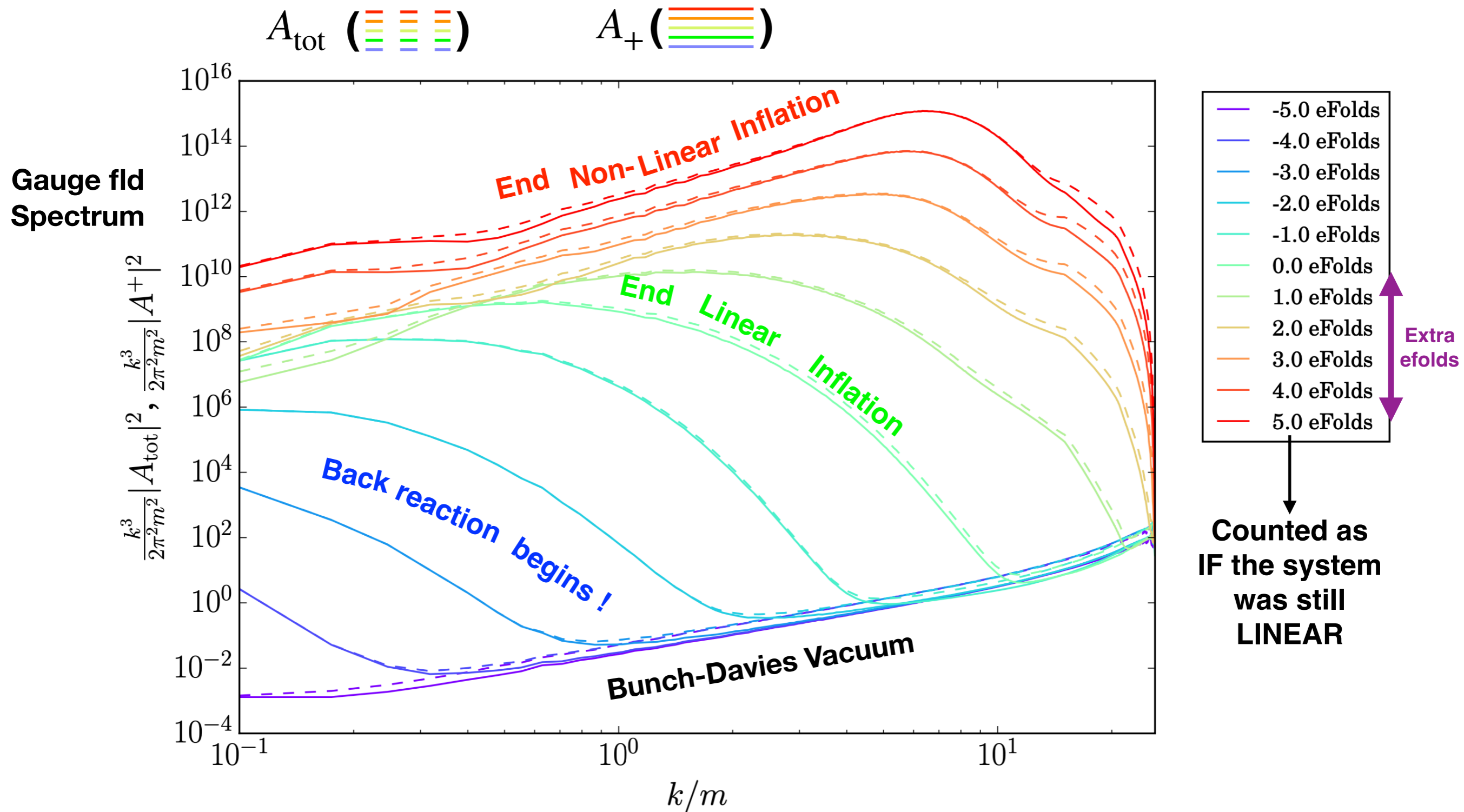


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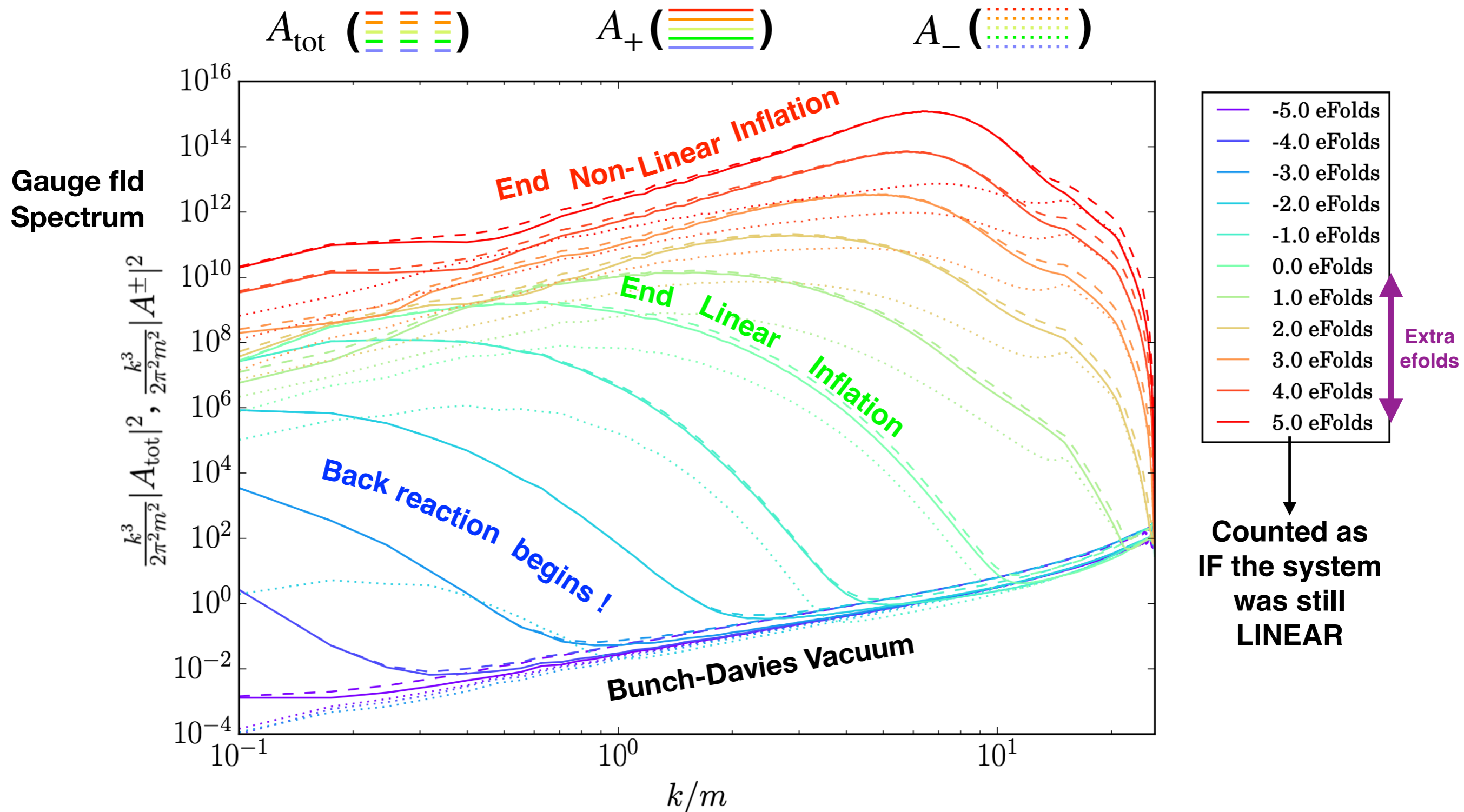
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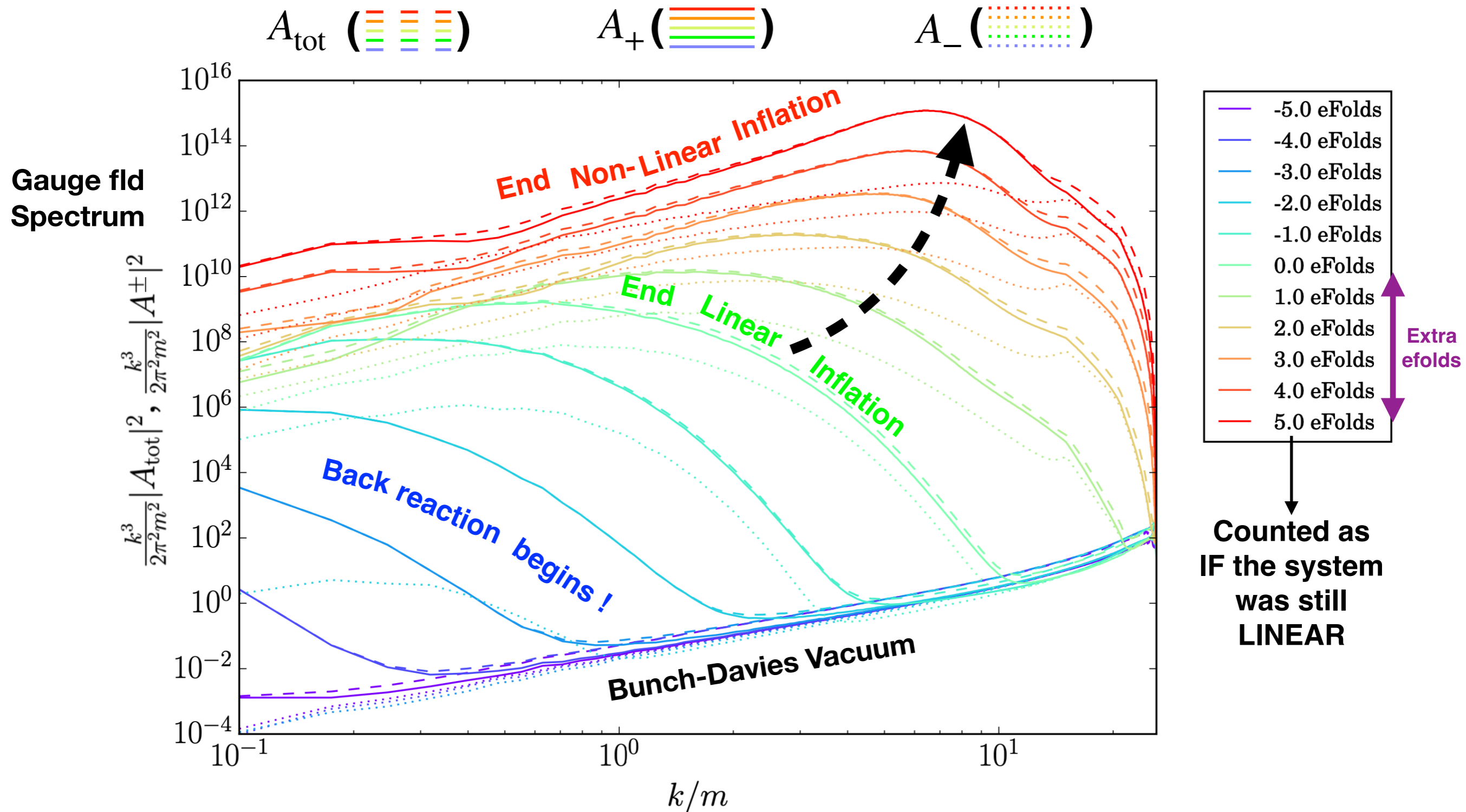
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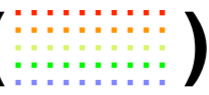




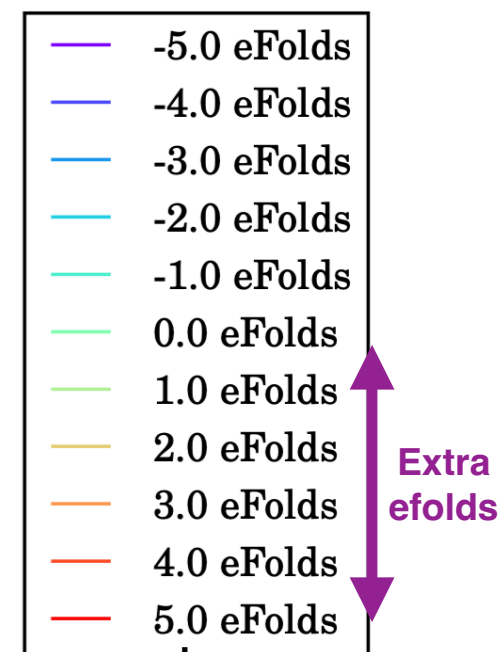
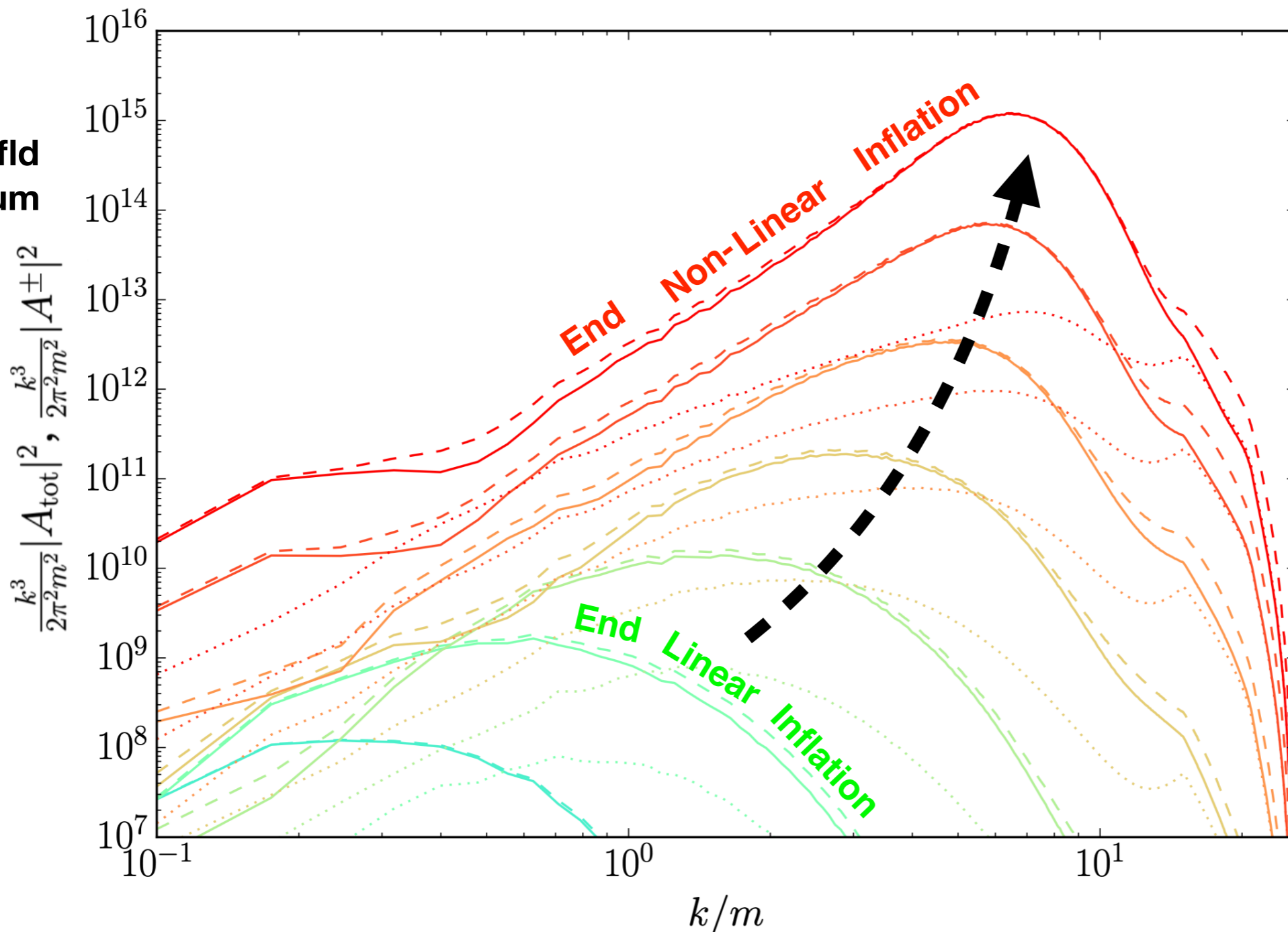
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$A_-$  (  )

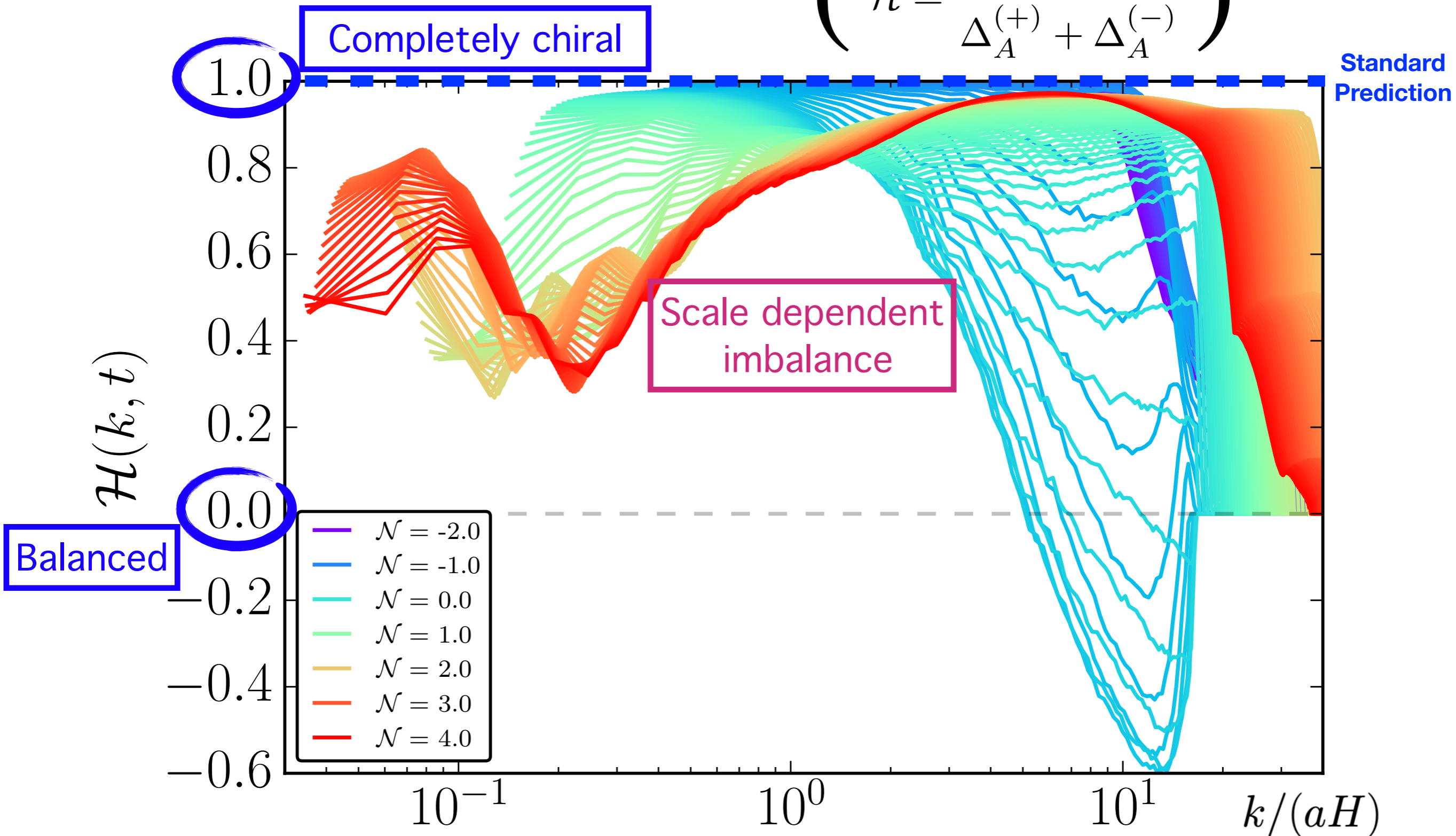
Gauge fld  
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Counted as  
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# Example II

## Cosmic String Loops (+ GW emission)

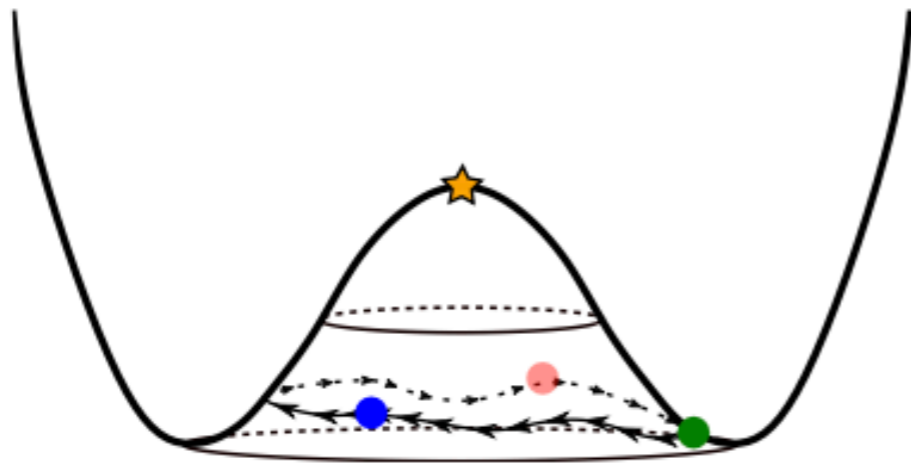
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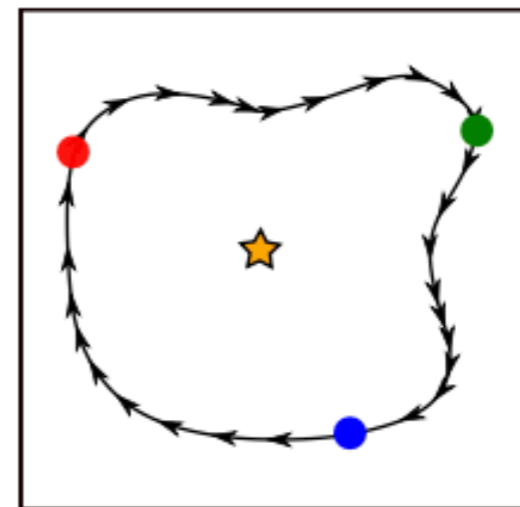
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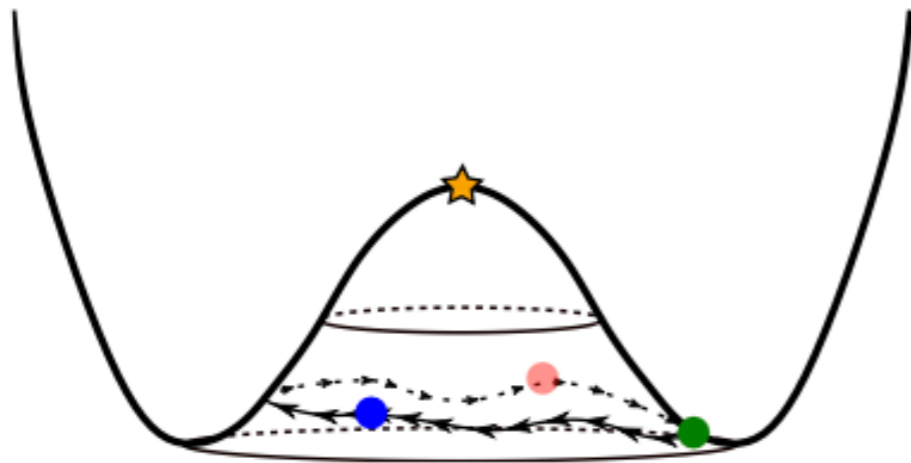
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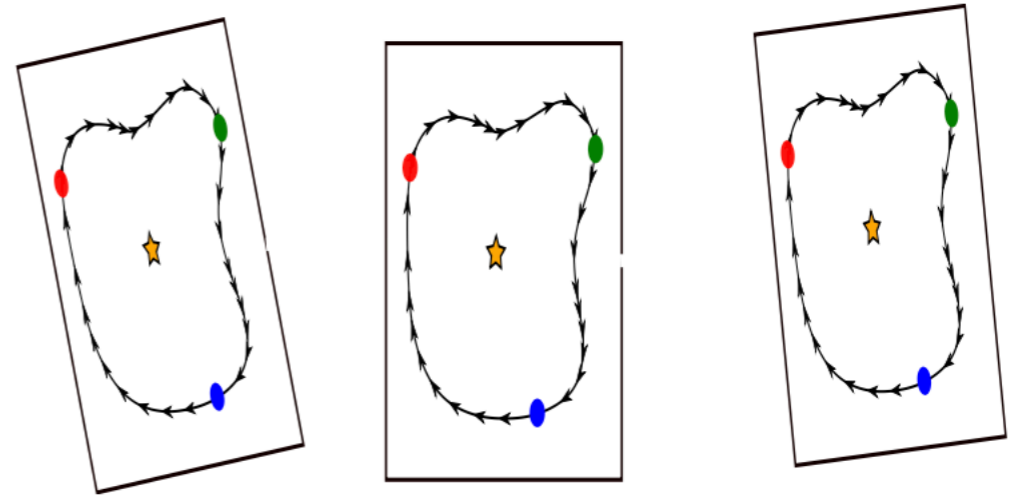
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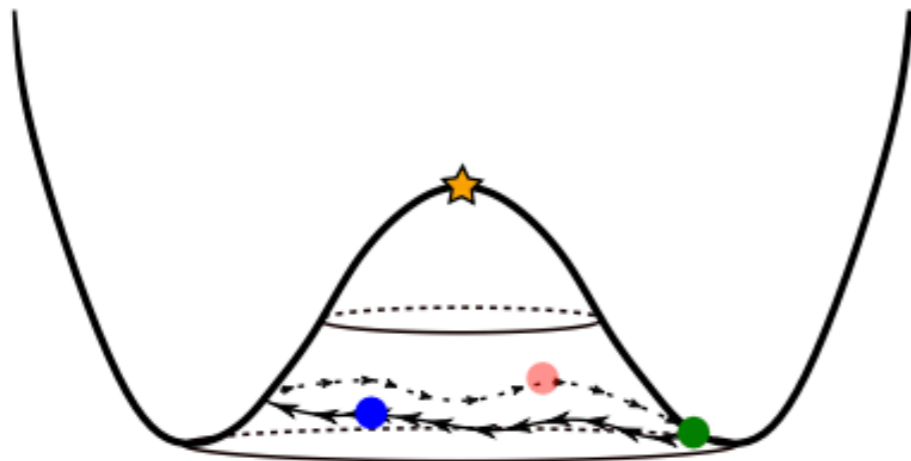
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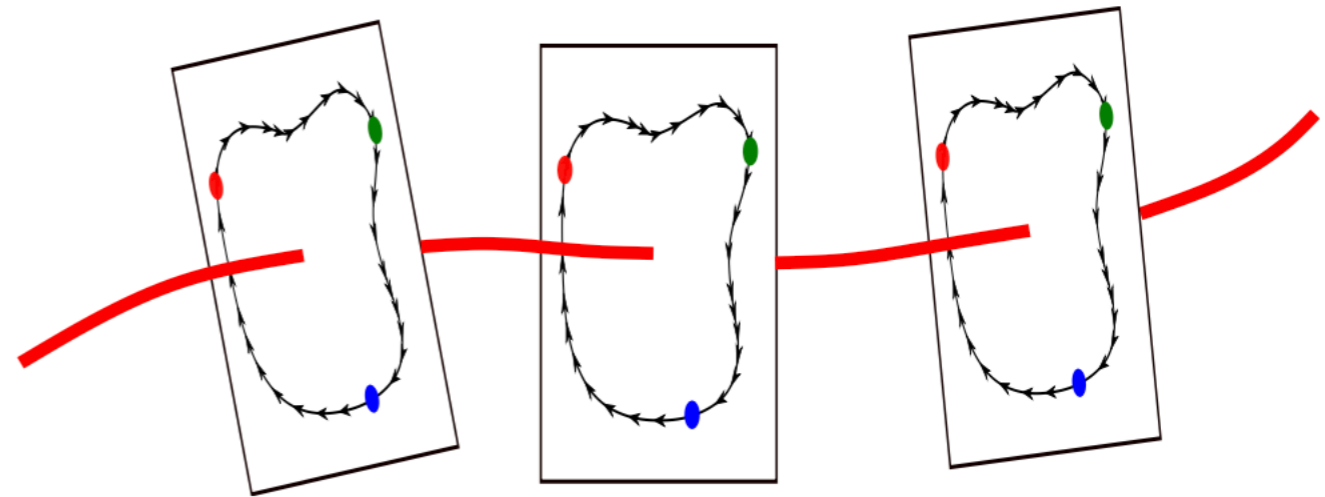
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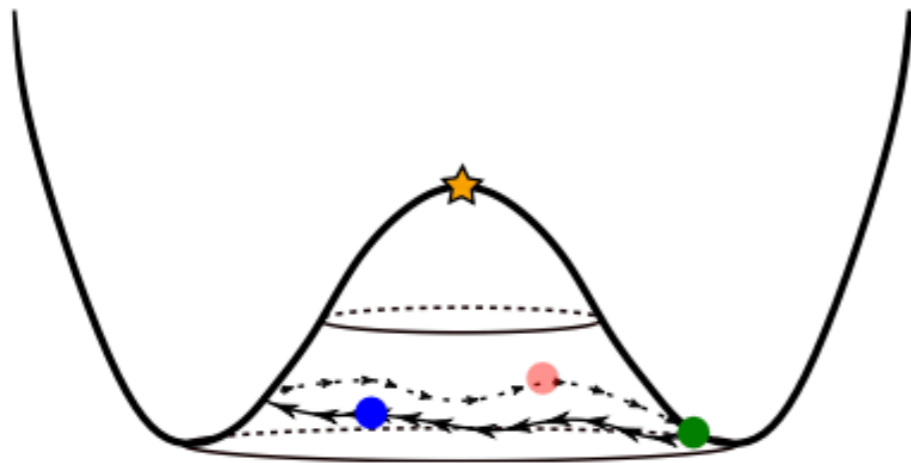


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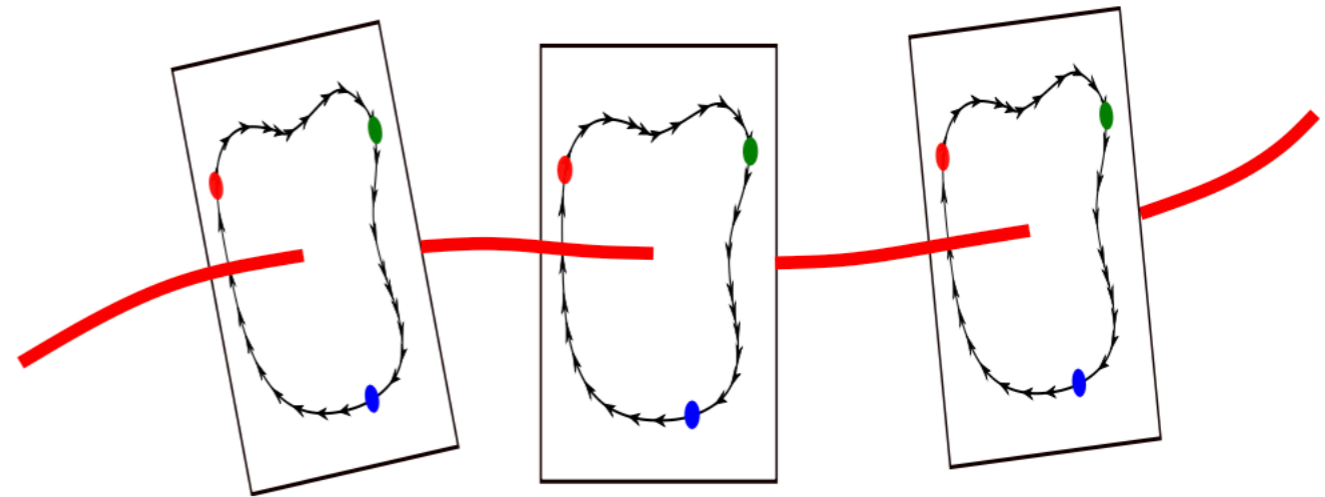


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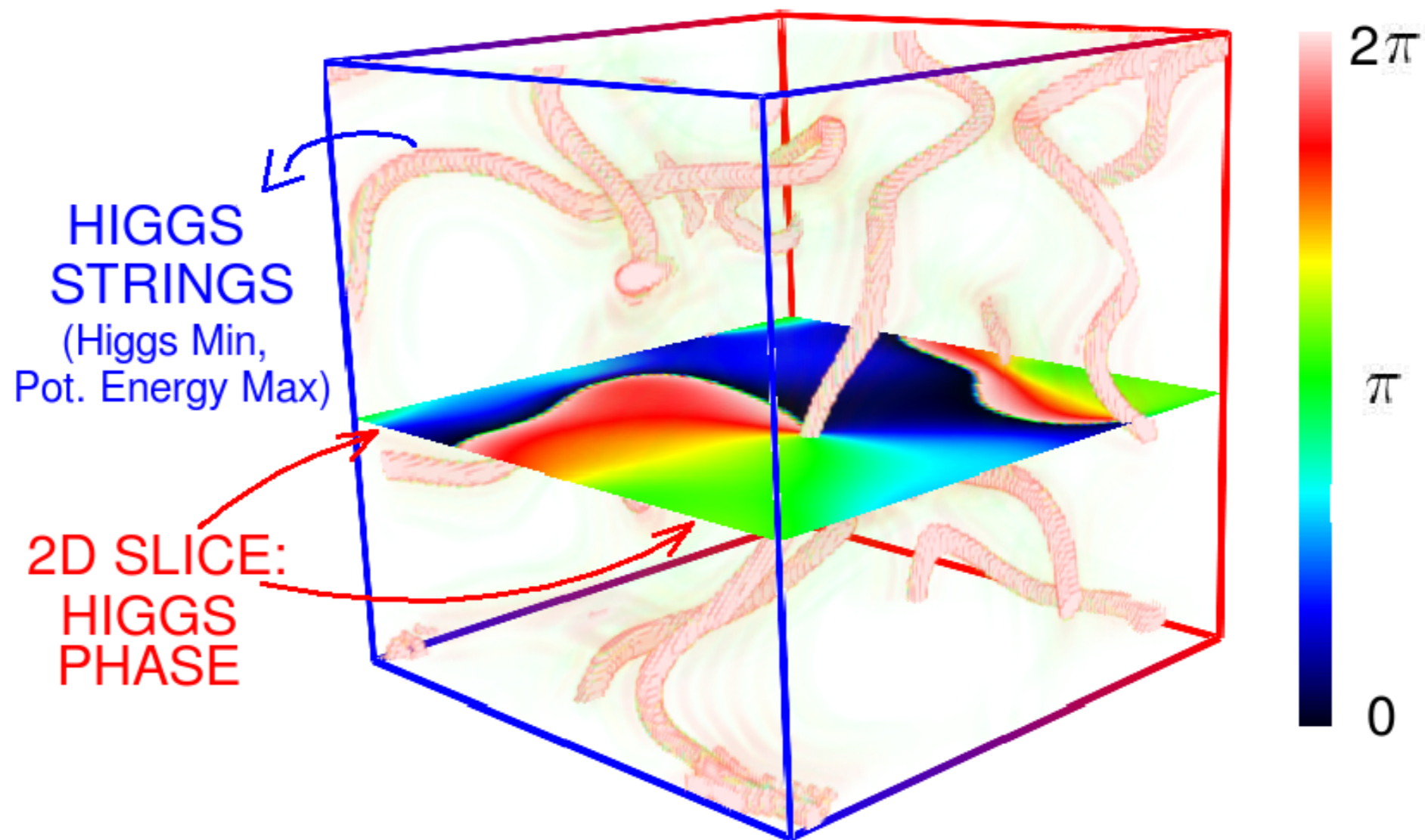
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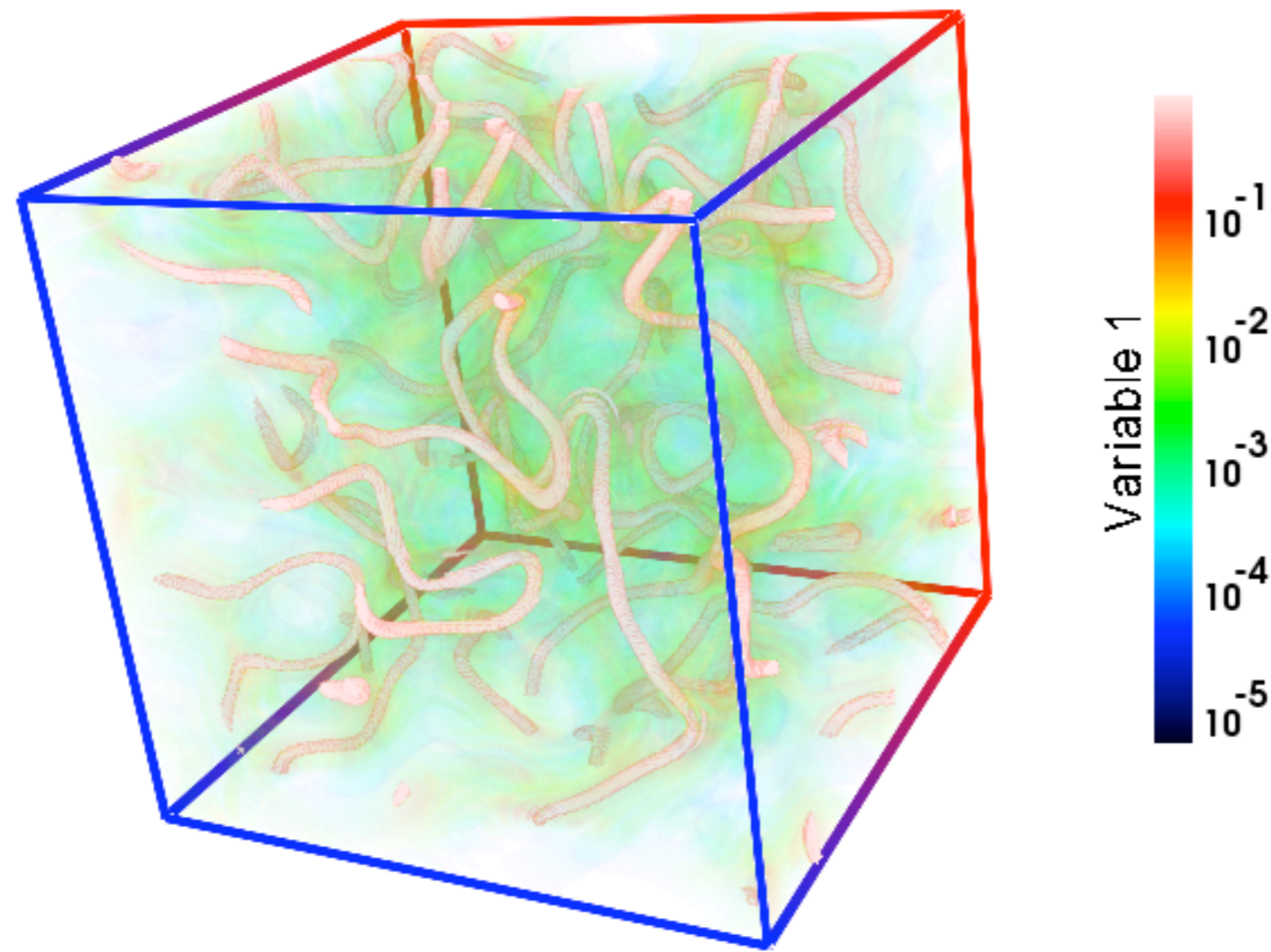
e.g. Global cosmic strings



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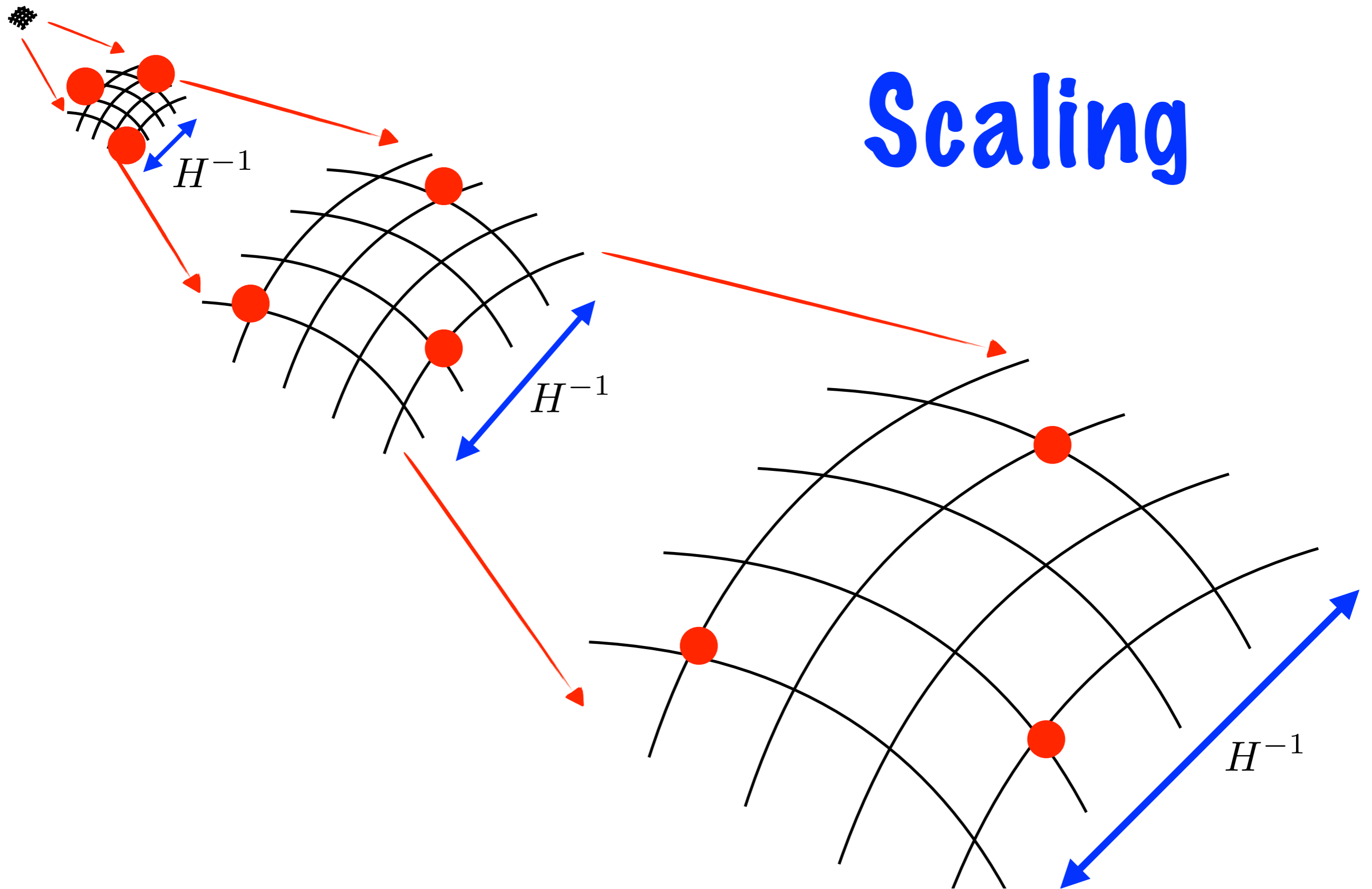
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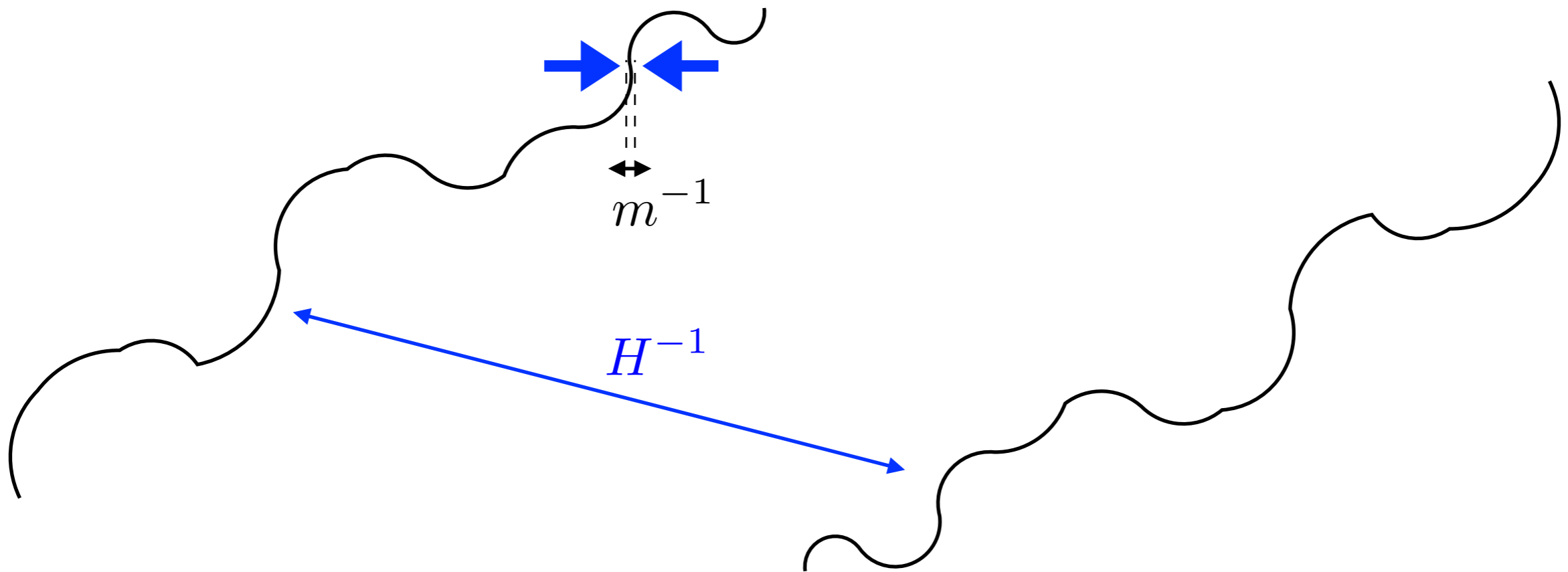
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**Nambu-Goto**

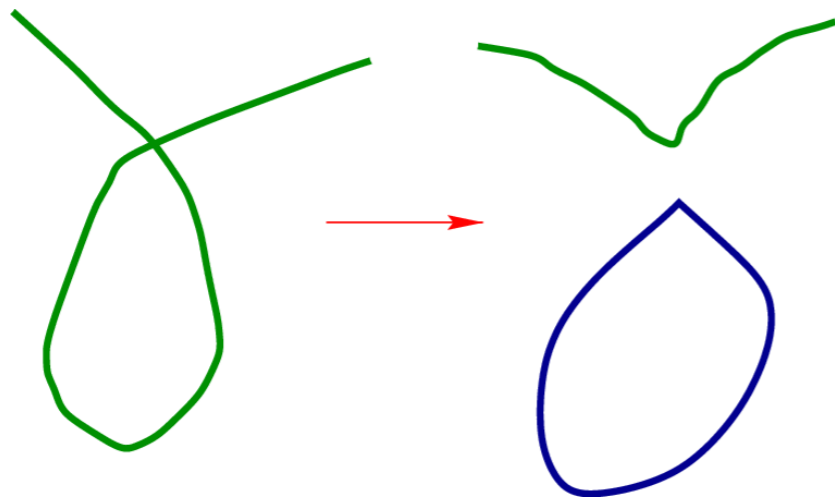
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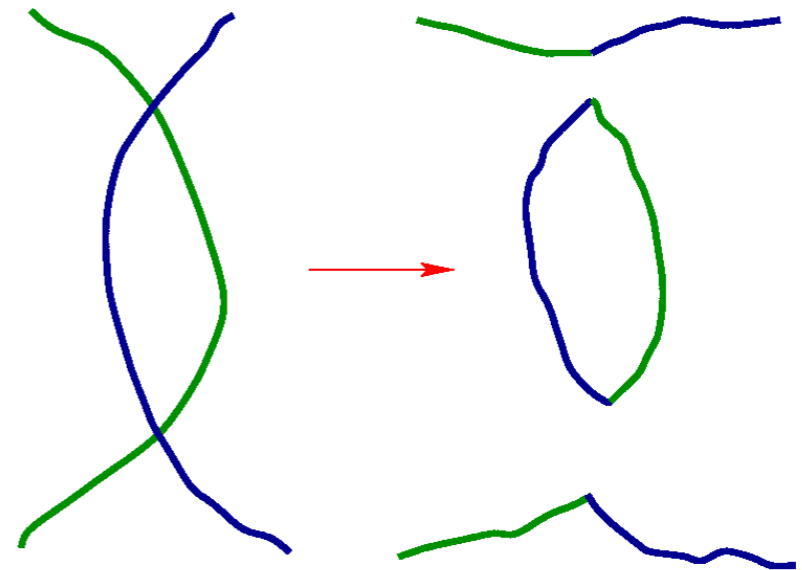


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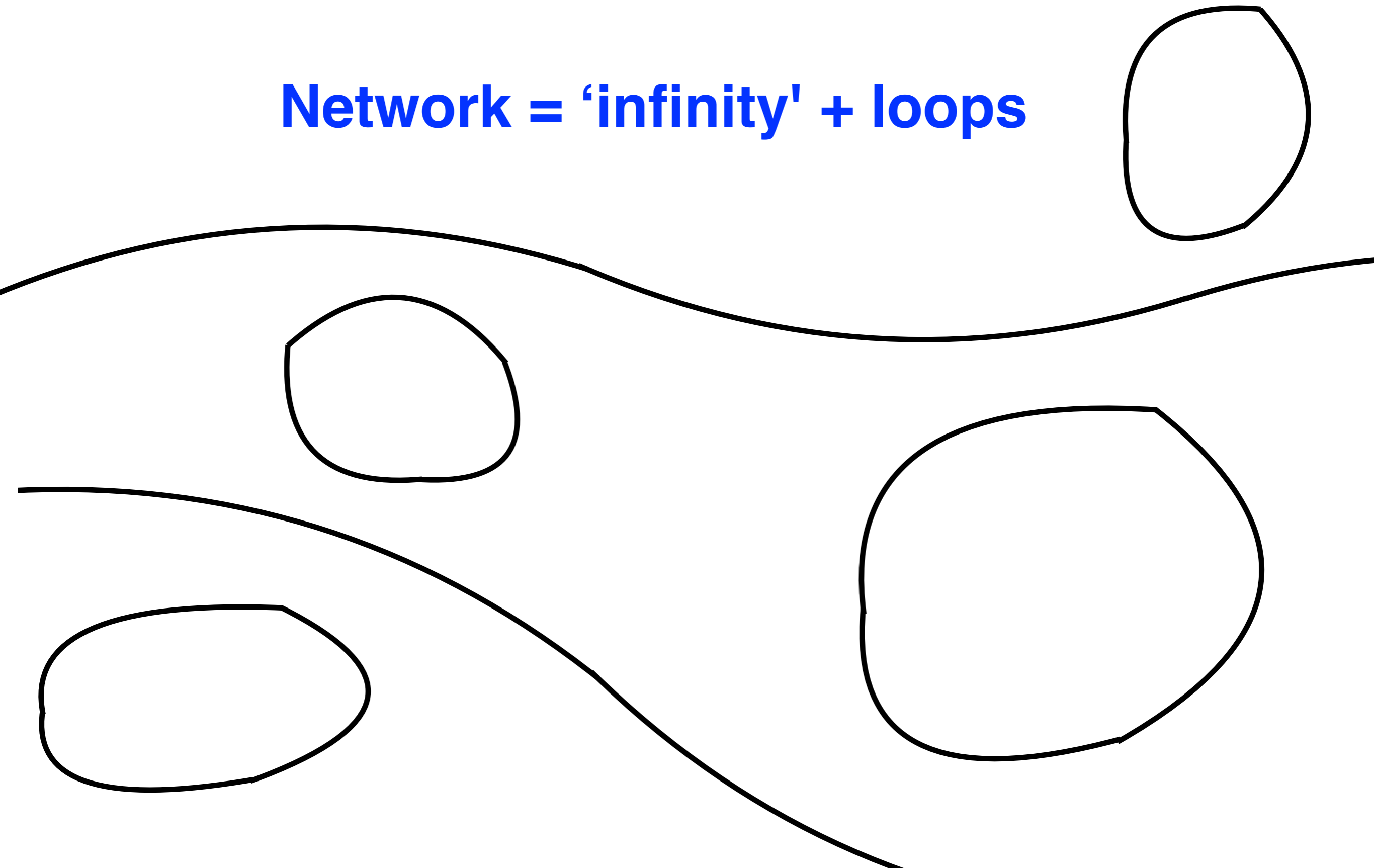
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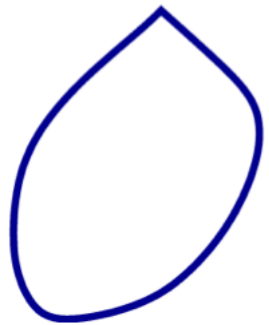
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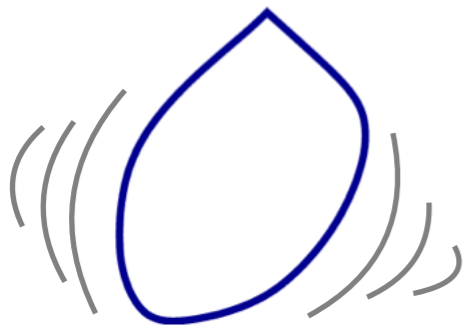
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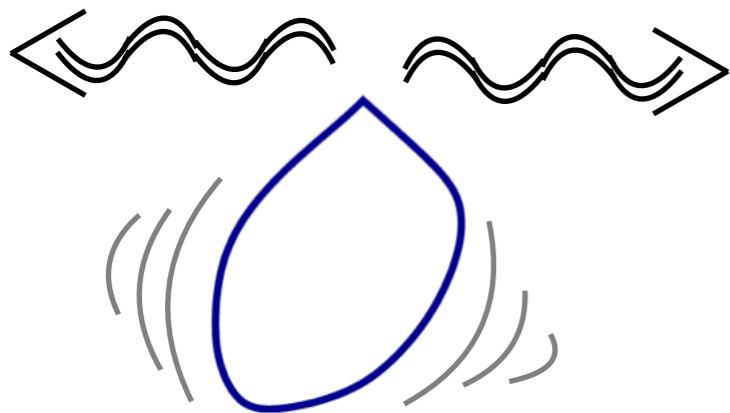


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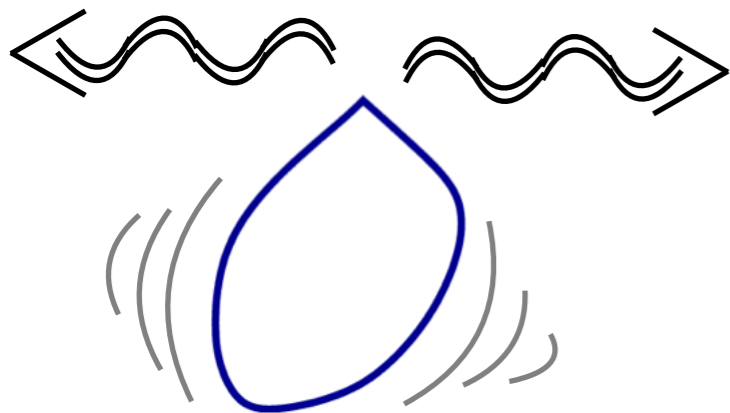


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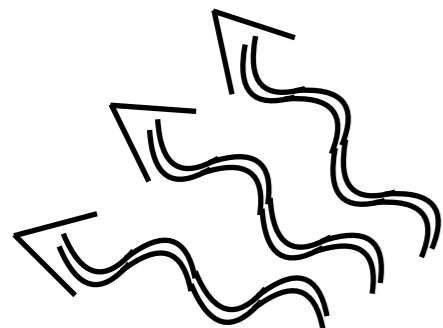
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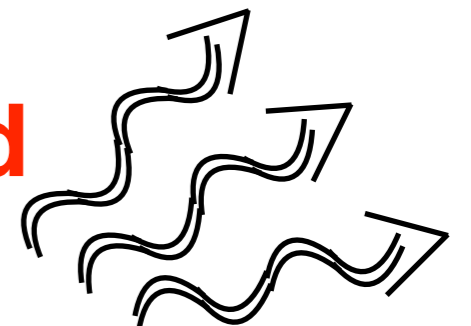
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[ but Local String  
analysis coming ! ]

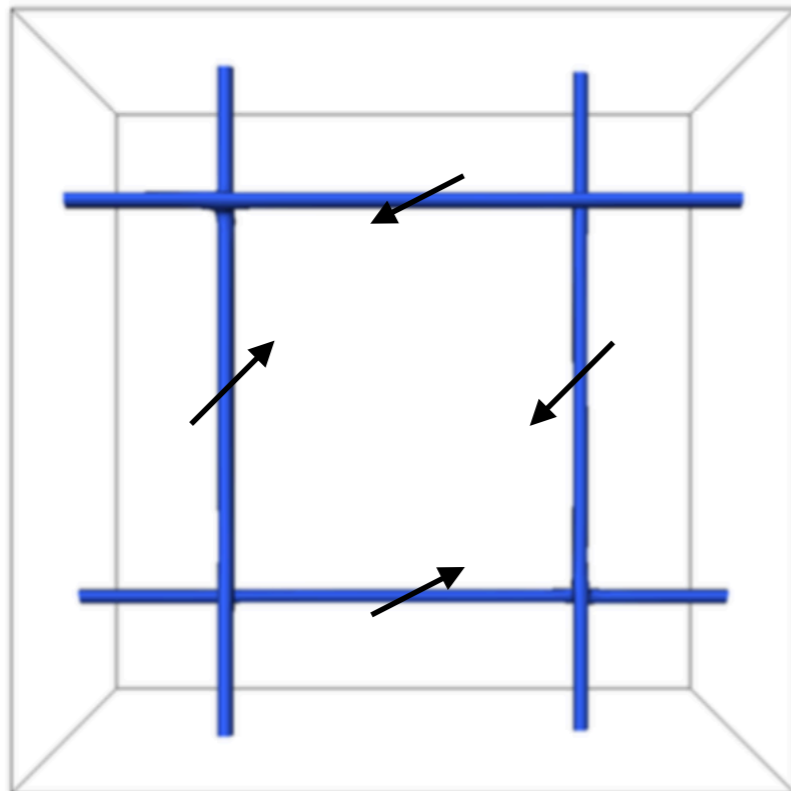


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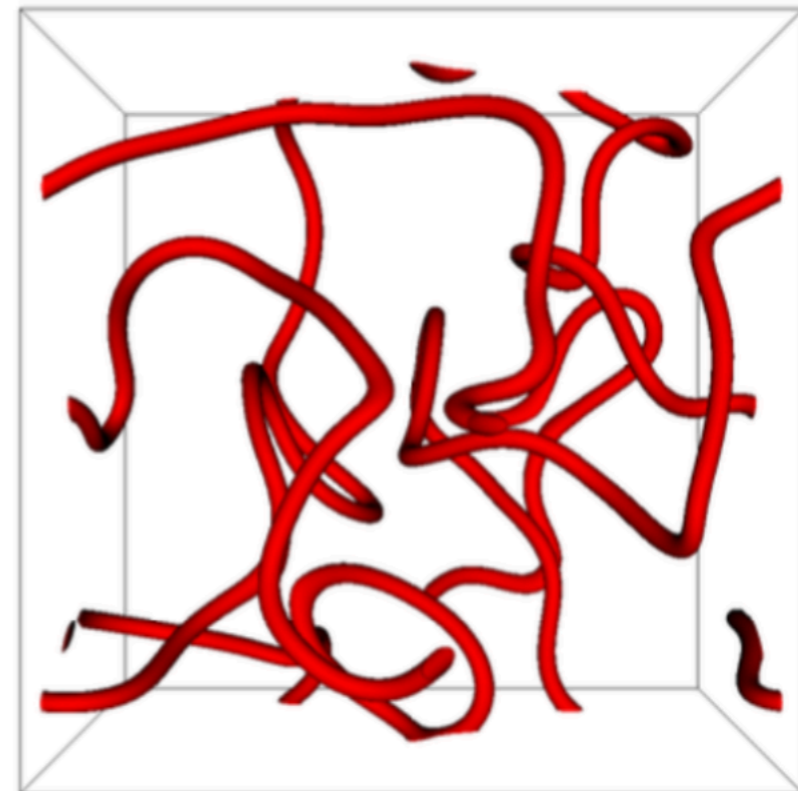
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( following Vachaspati et al 2020)

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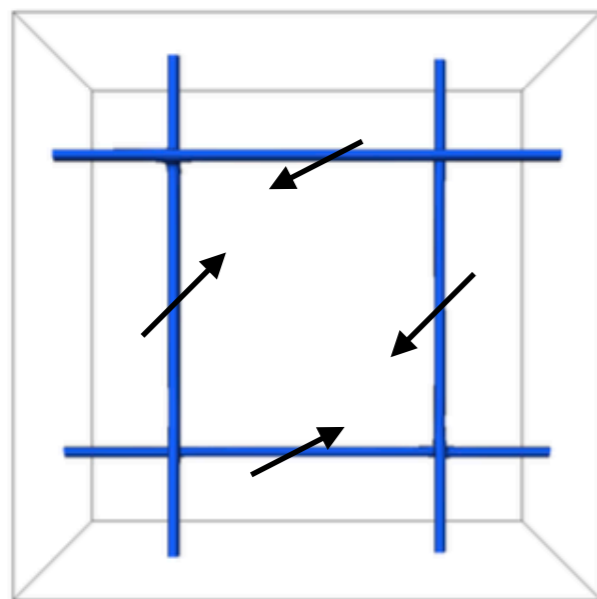
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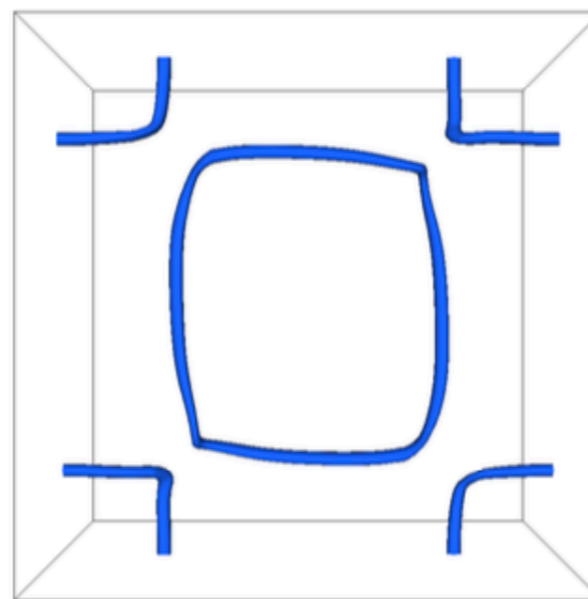
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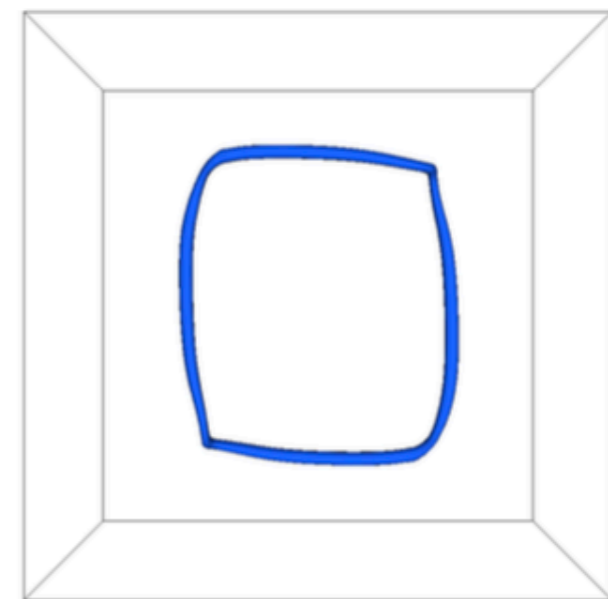
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Boost 2 string pairs



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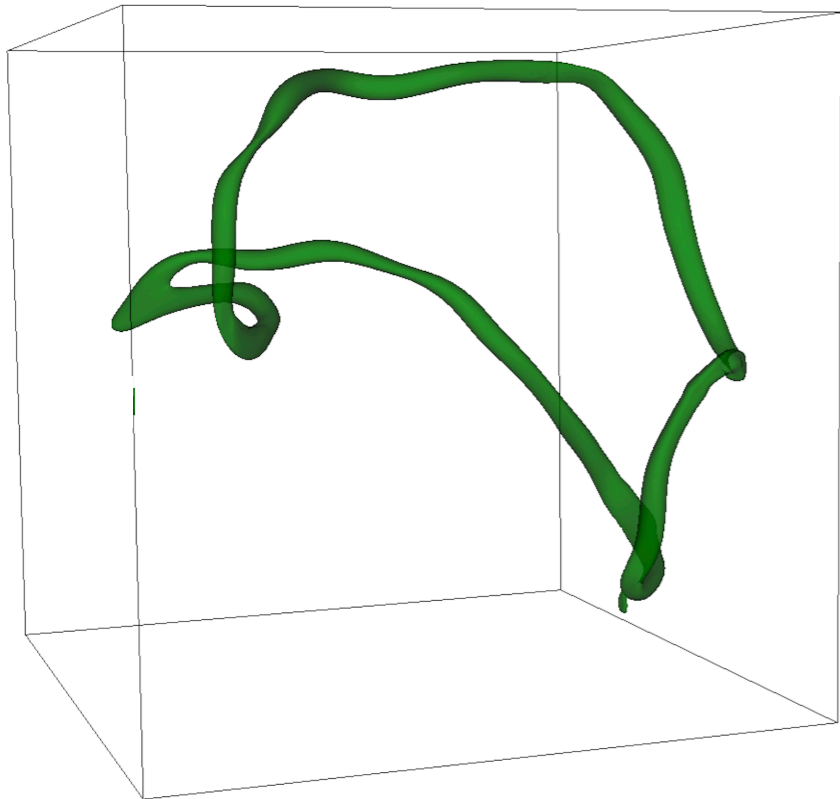
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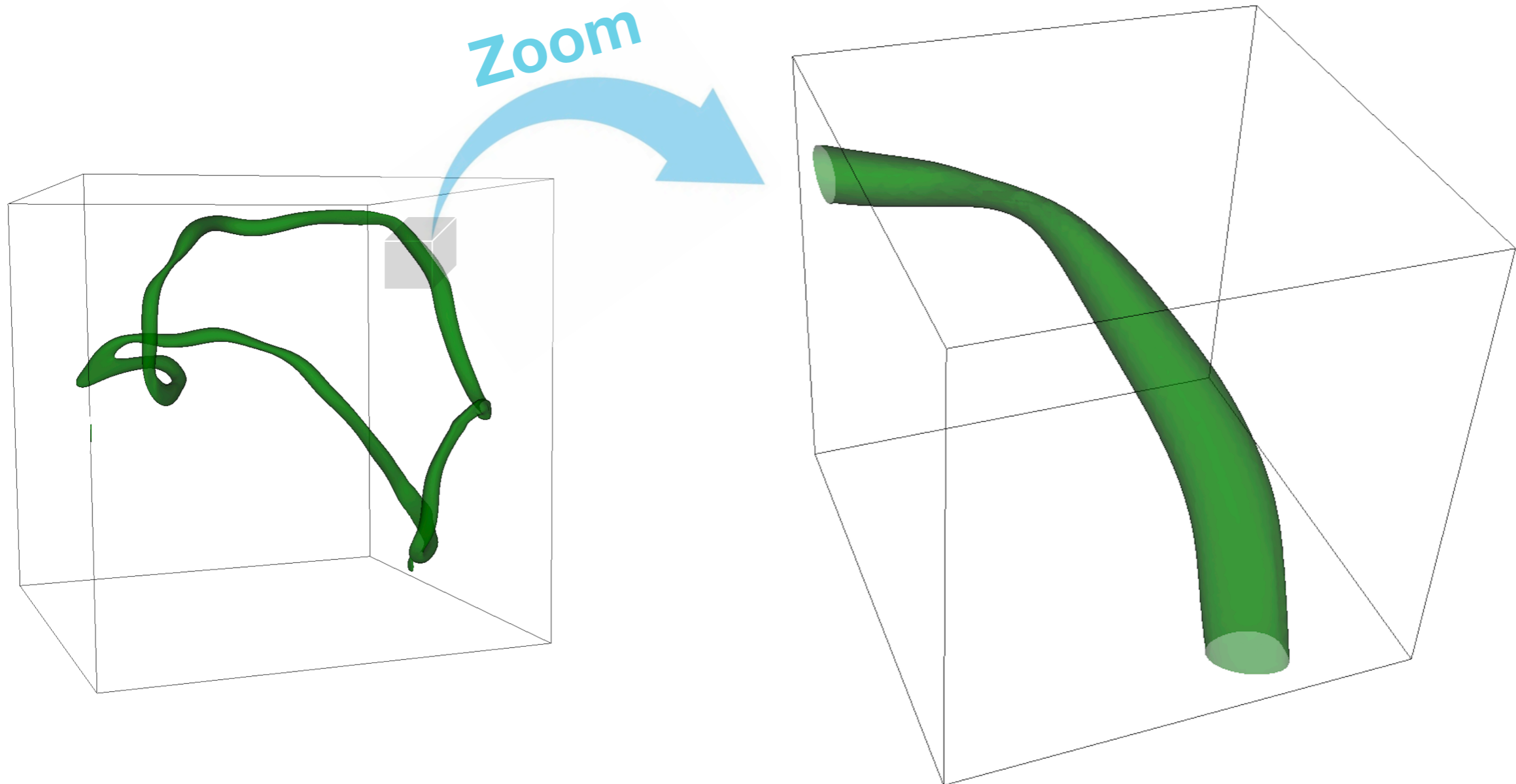
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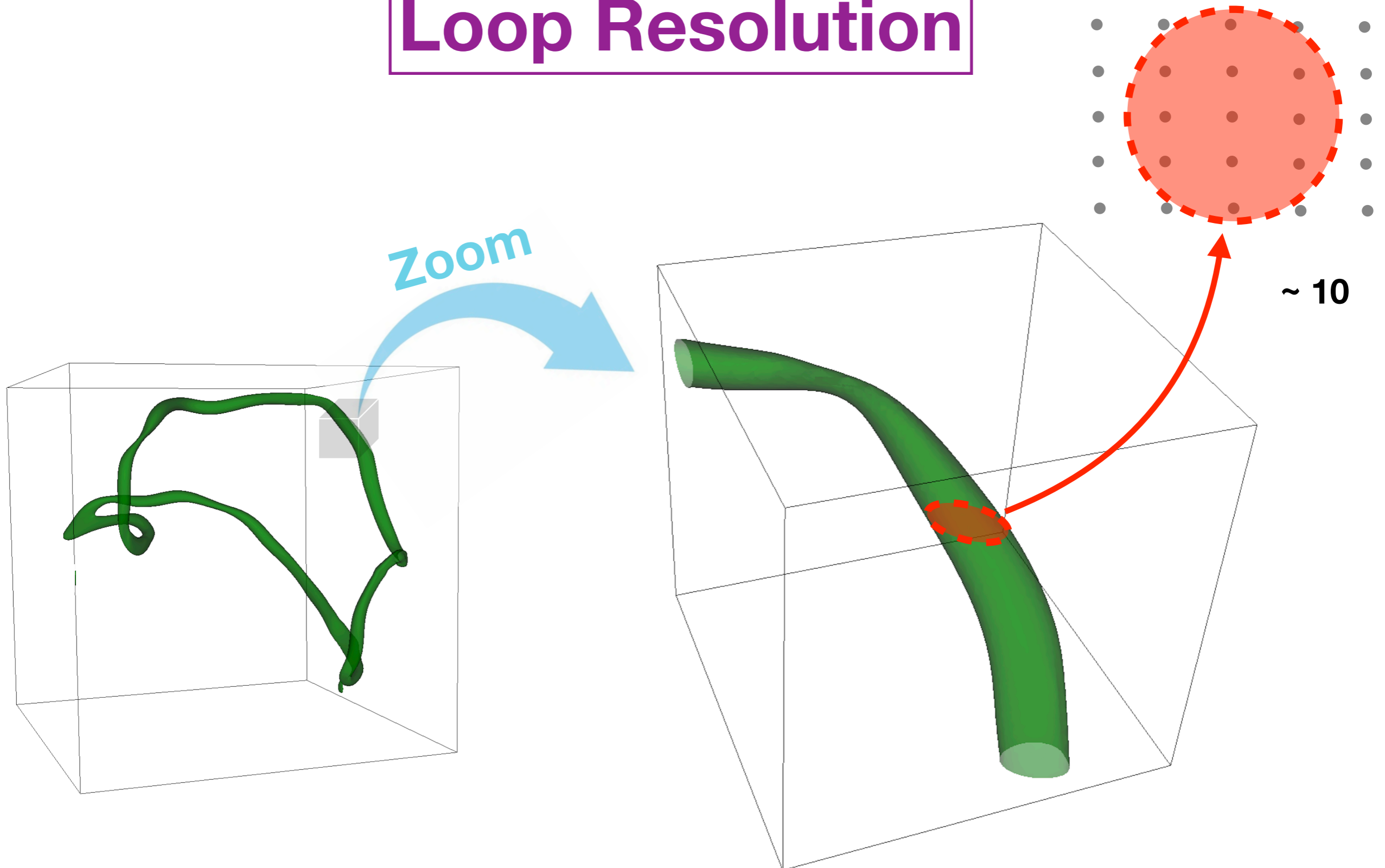
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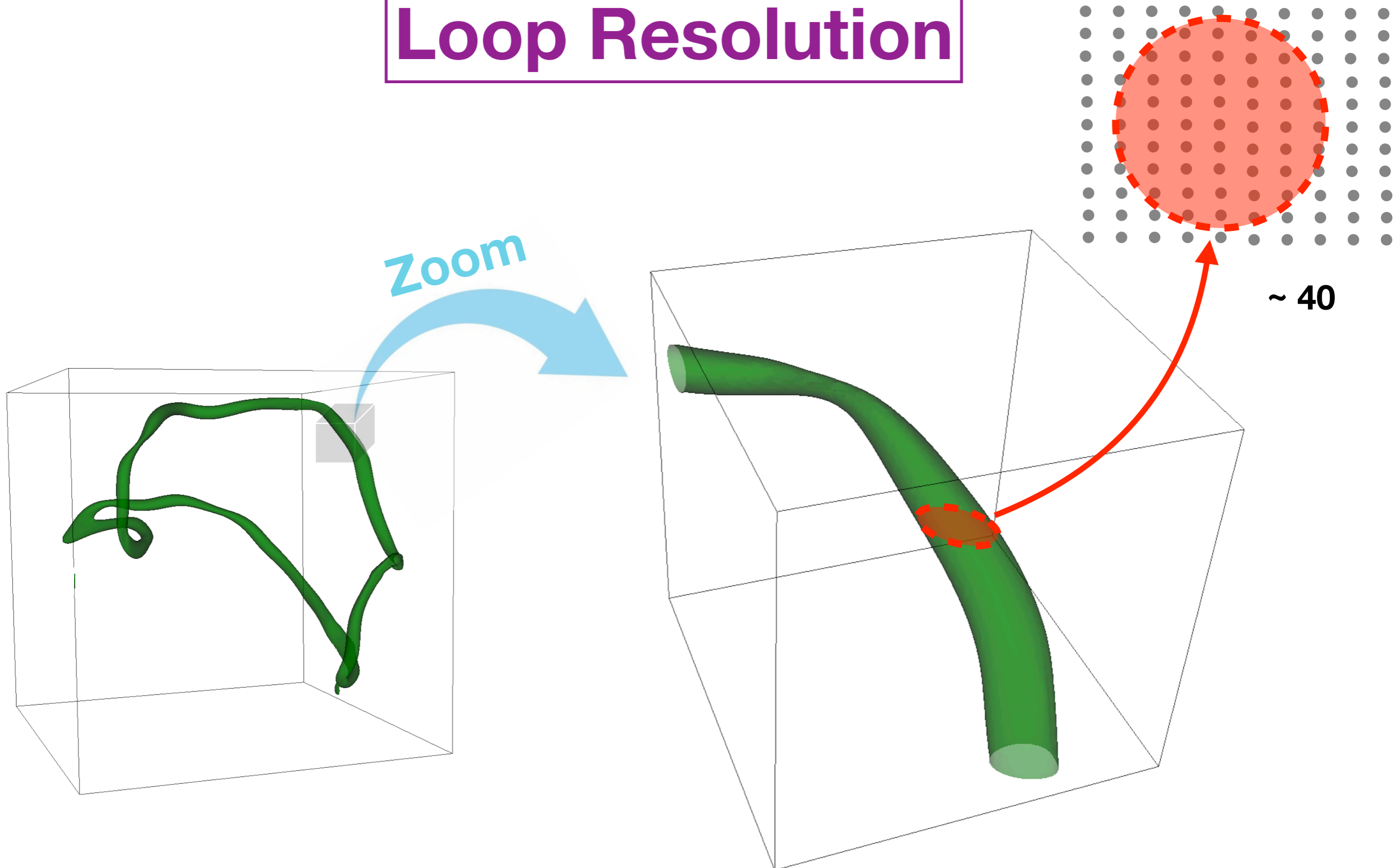
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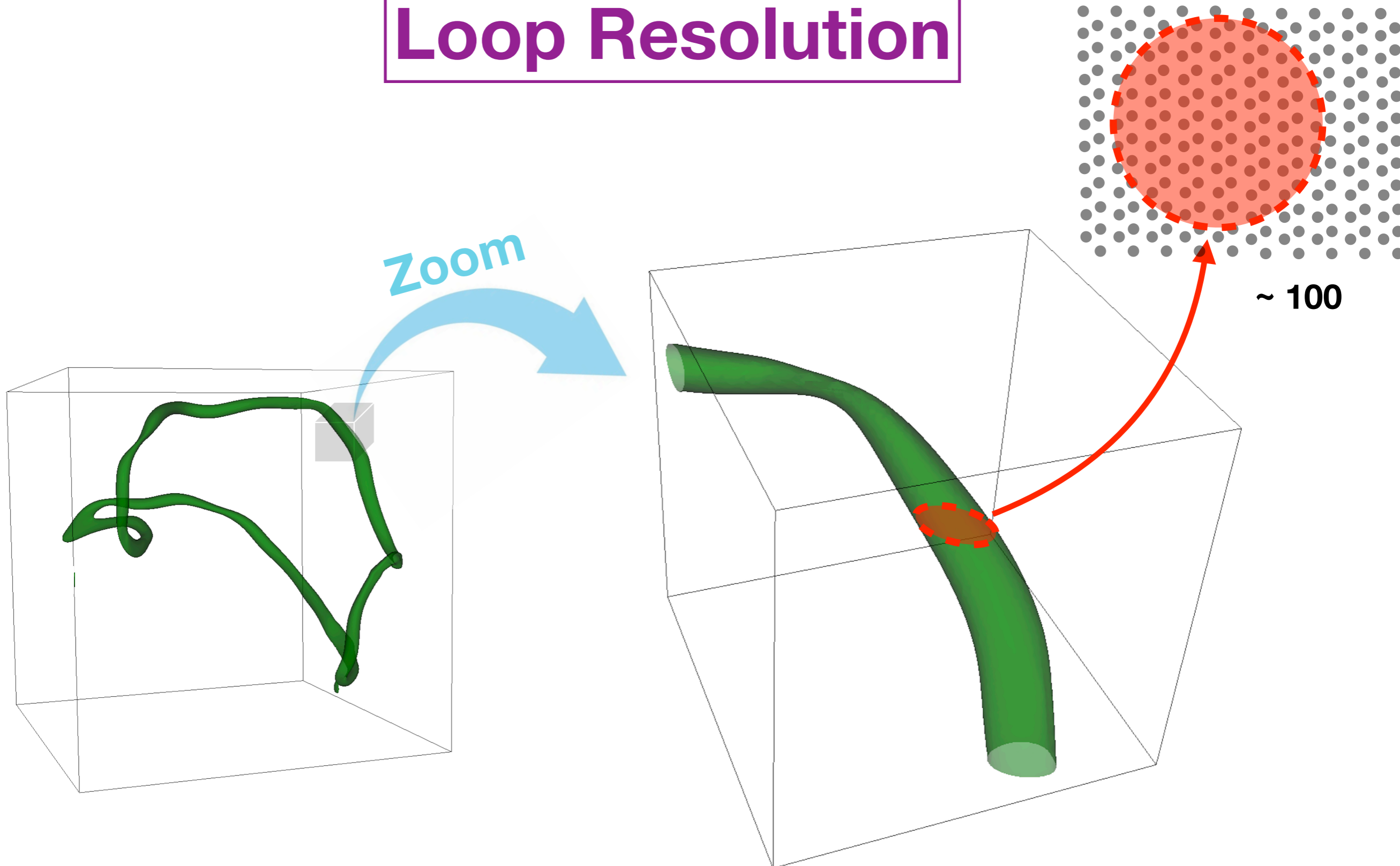
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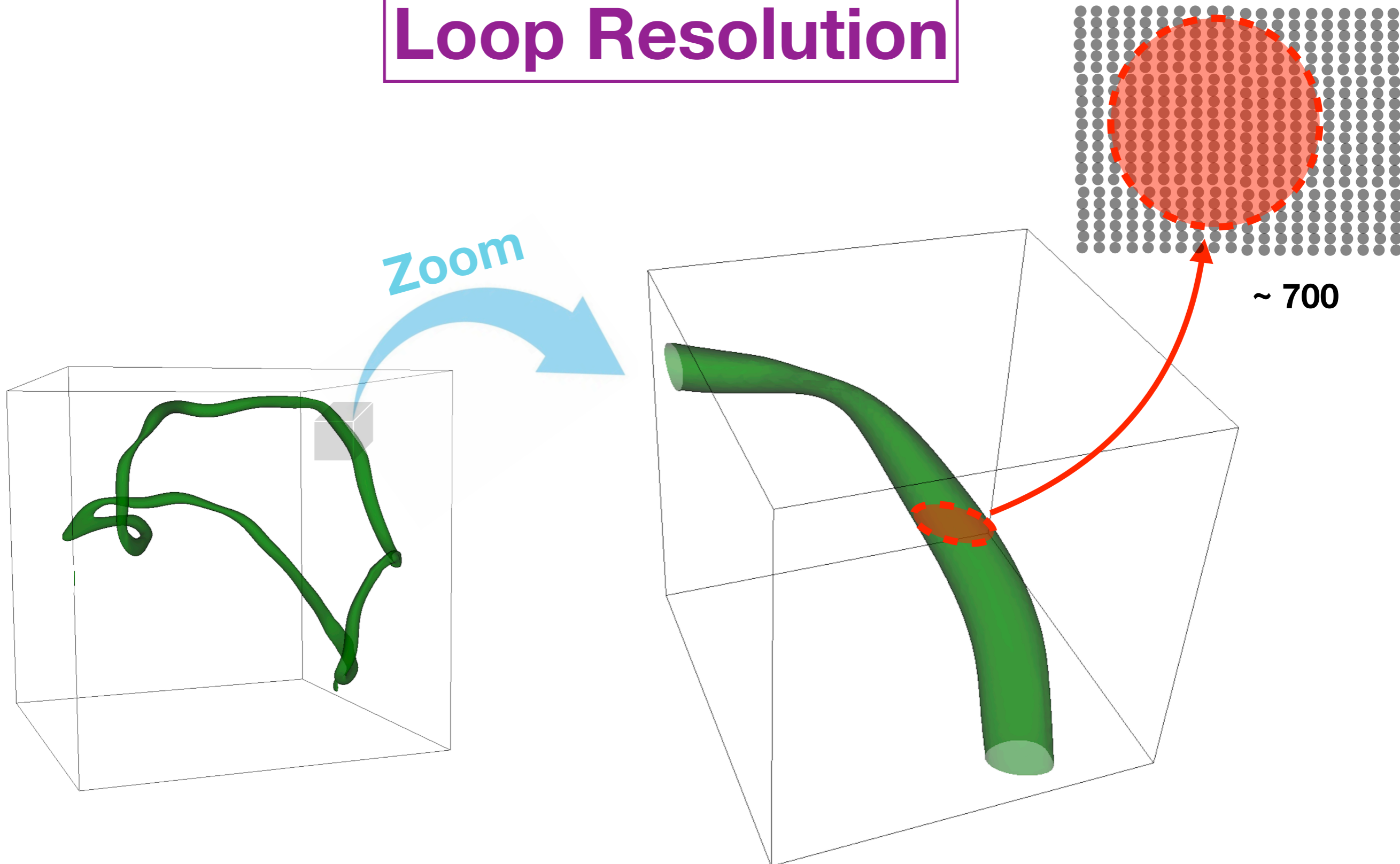
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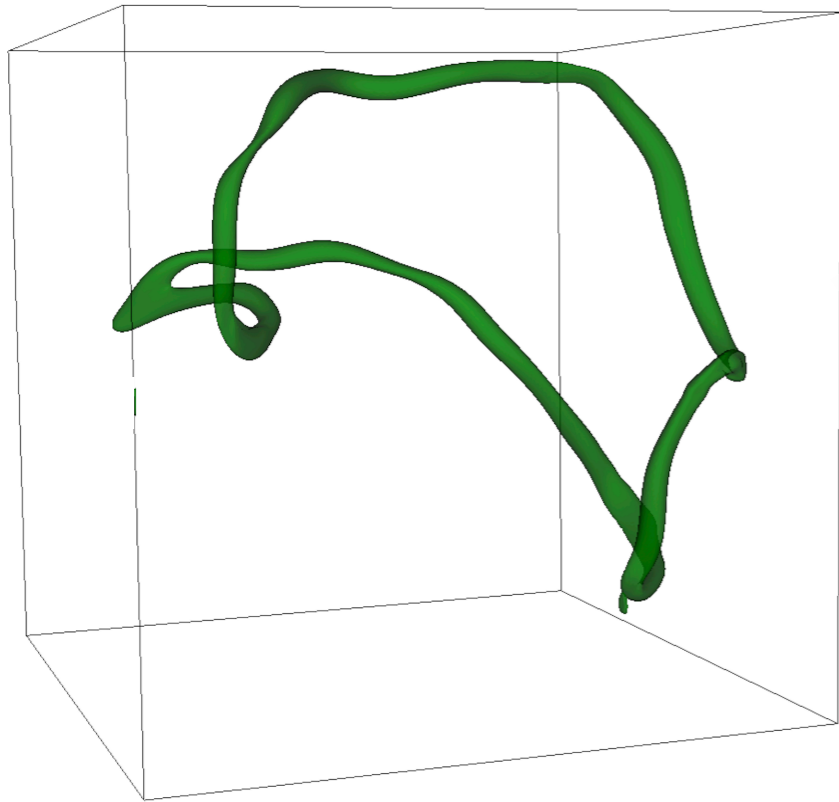
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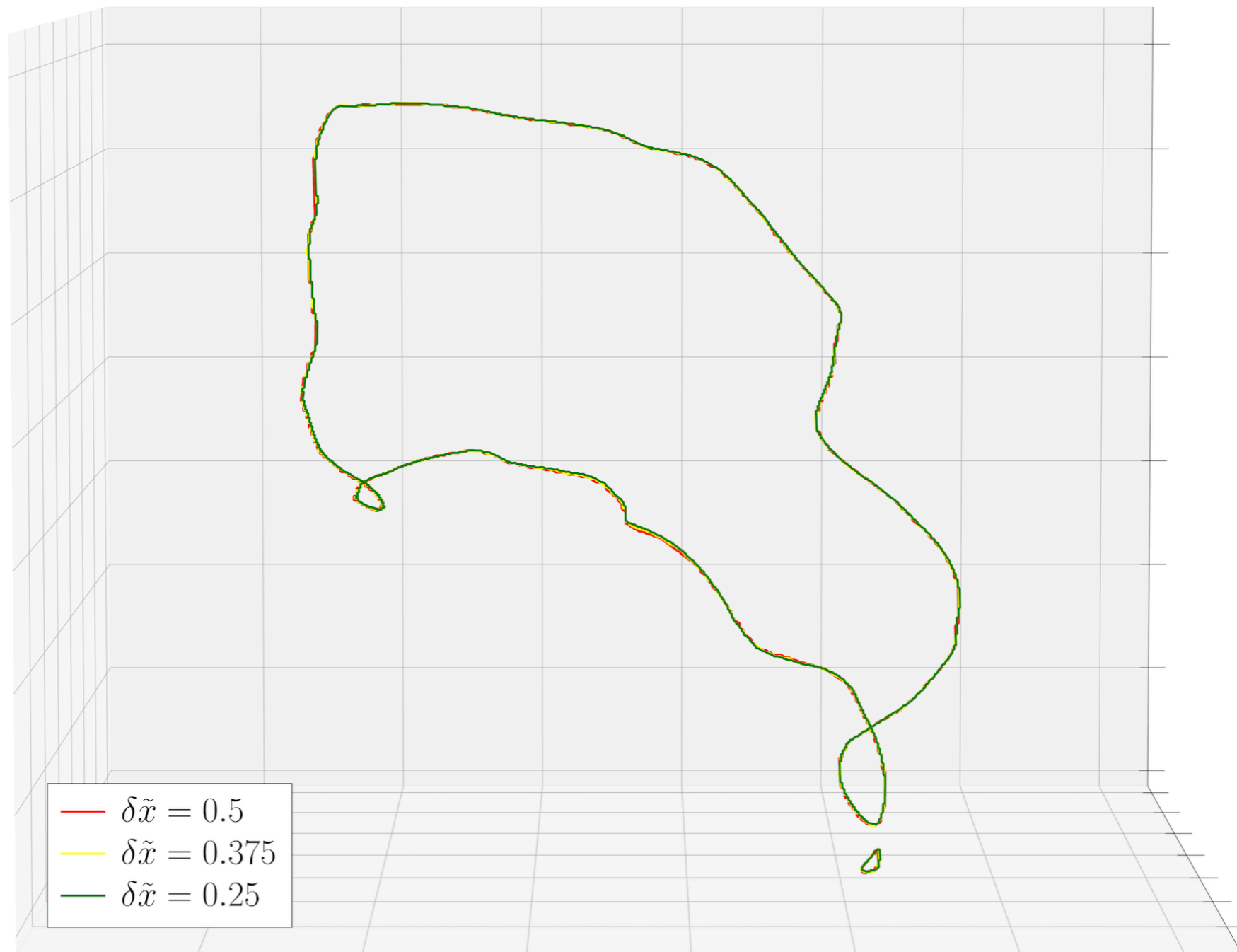
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String Core

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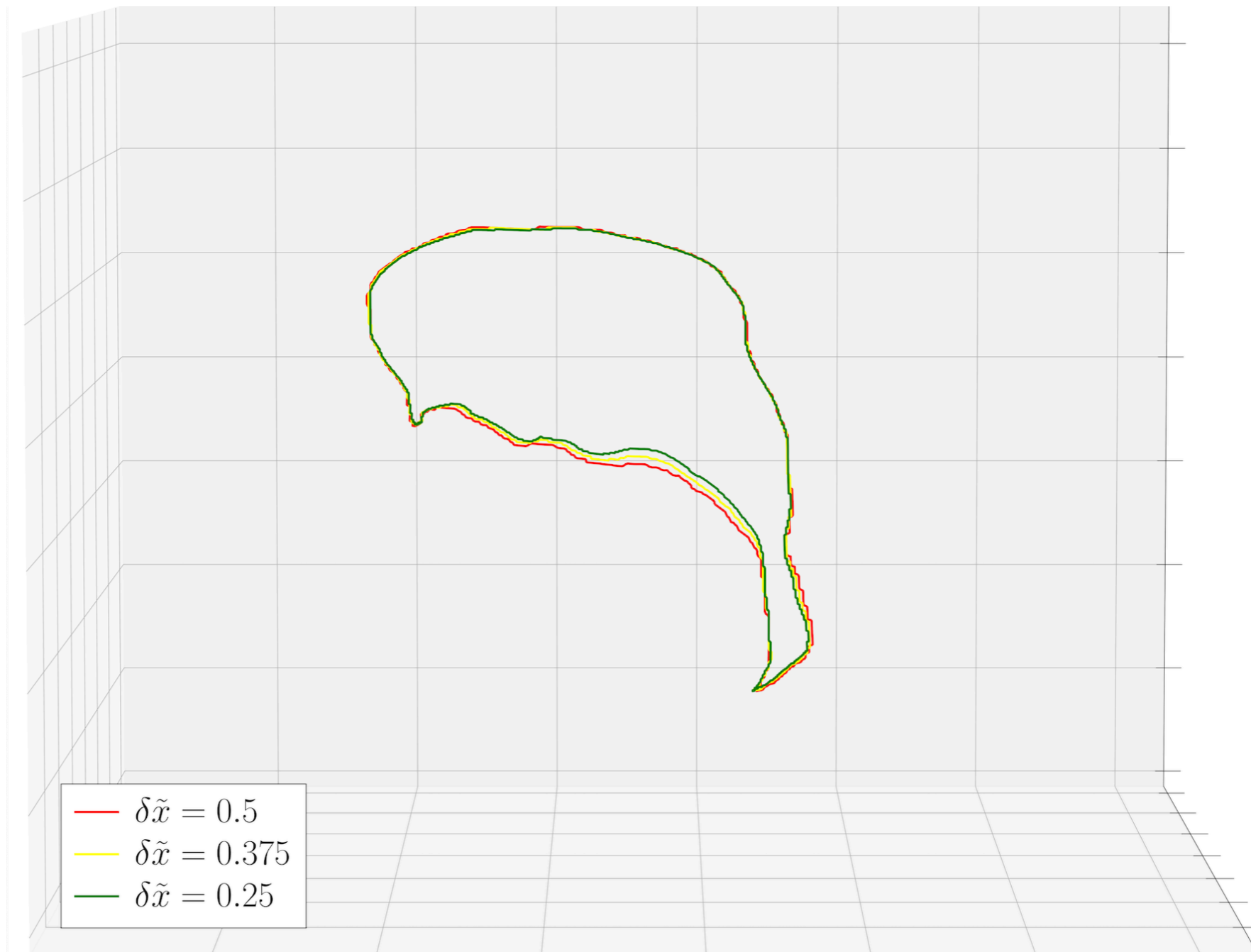
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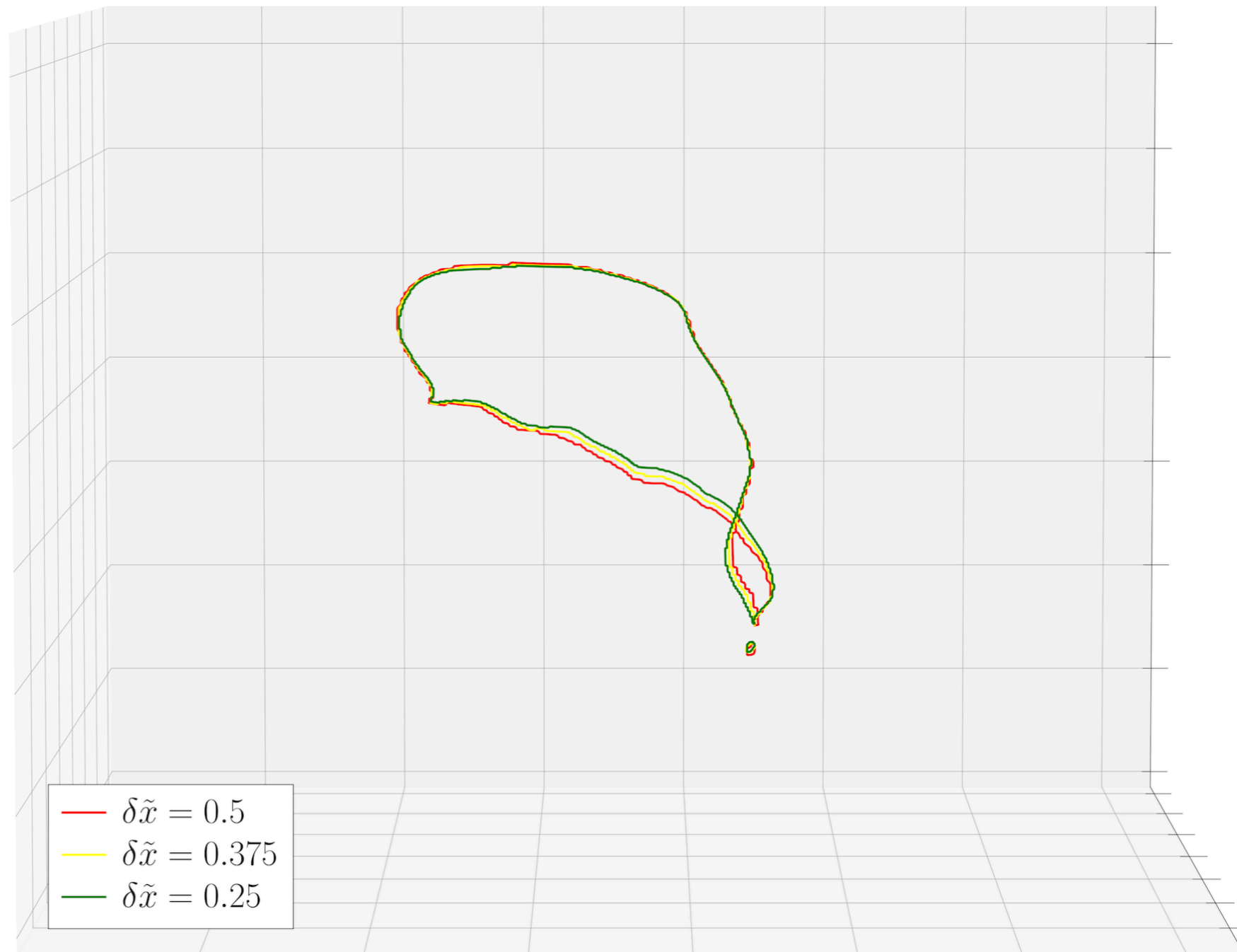
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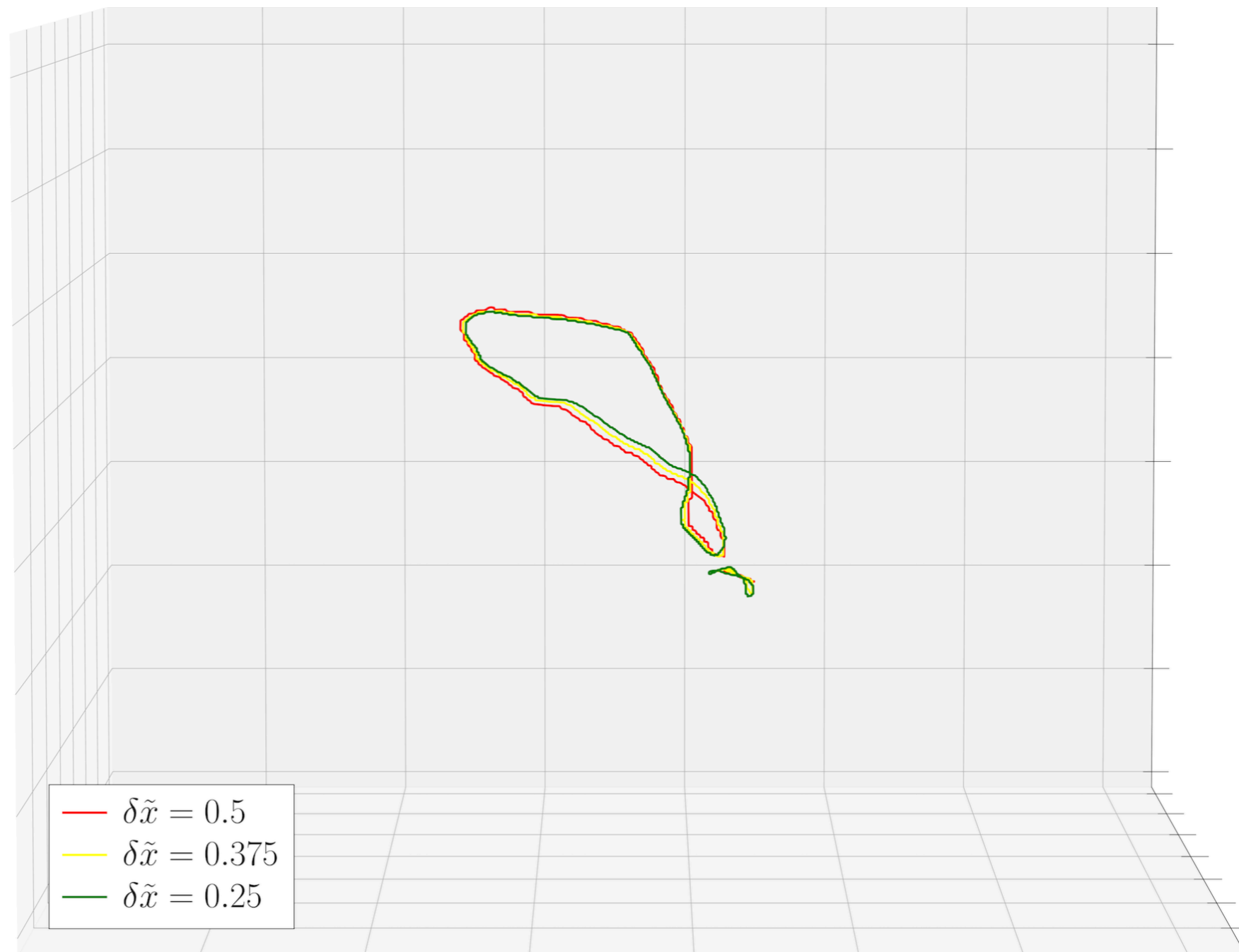
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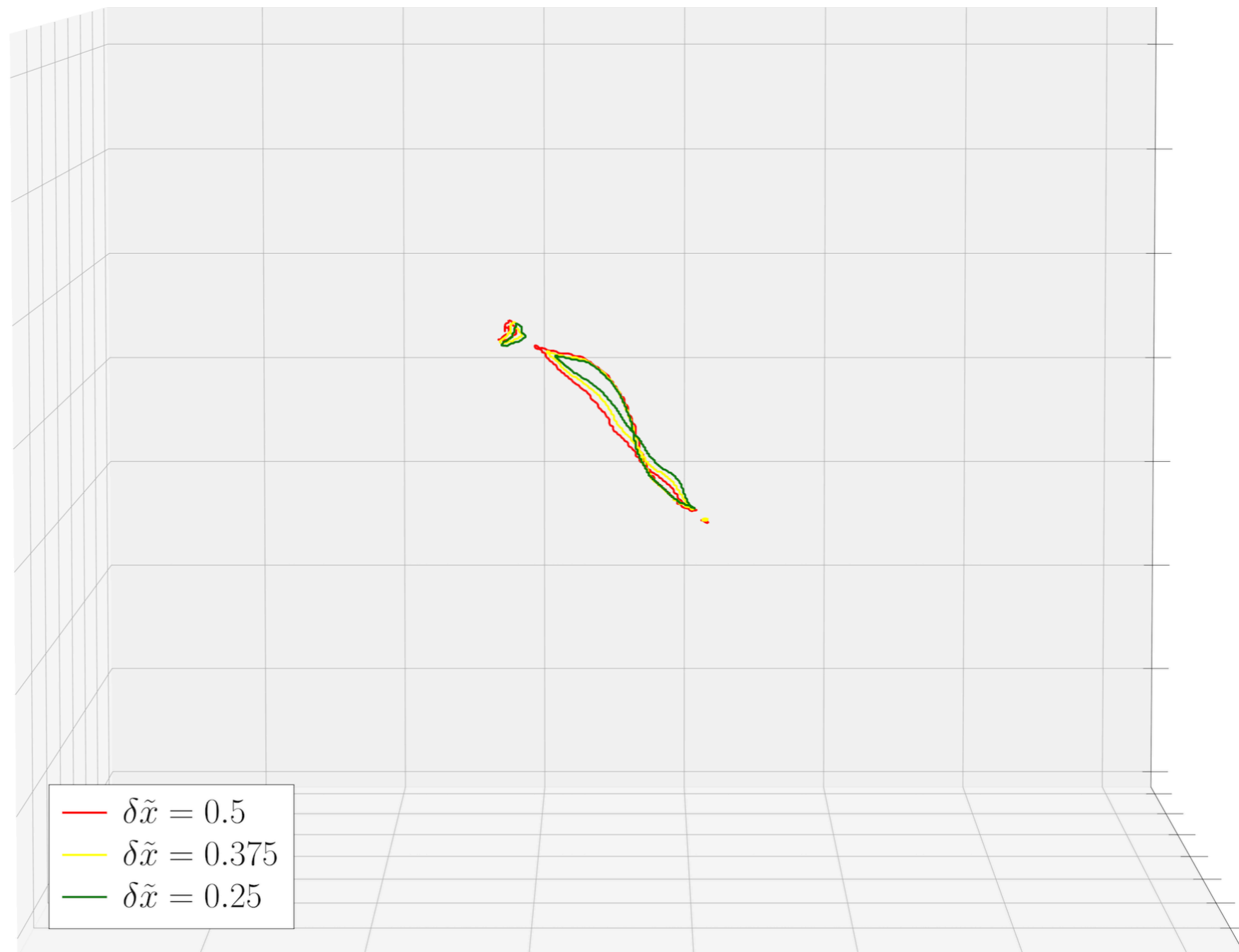
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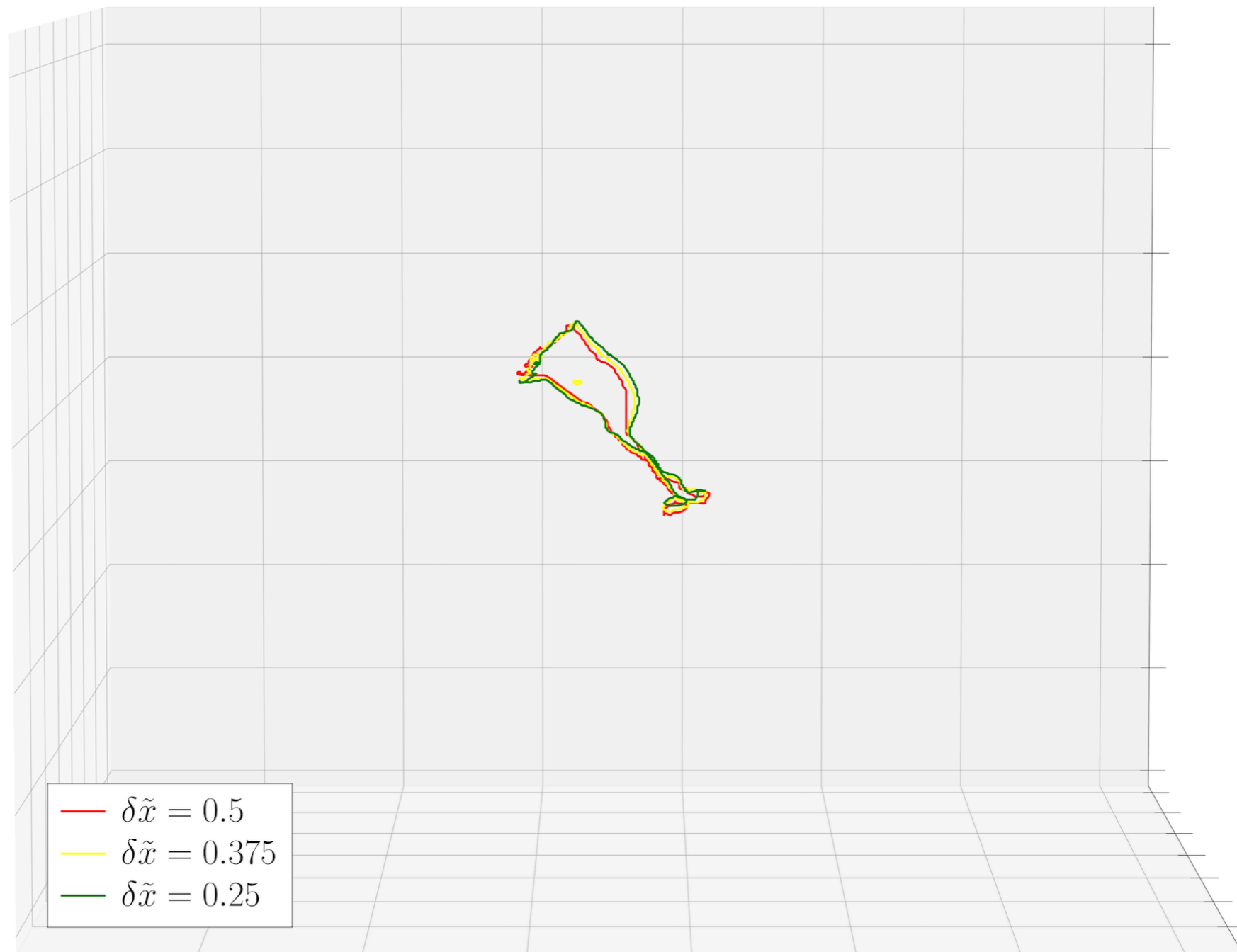
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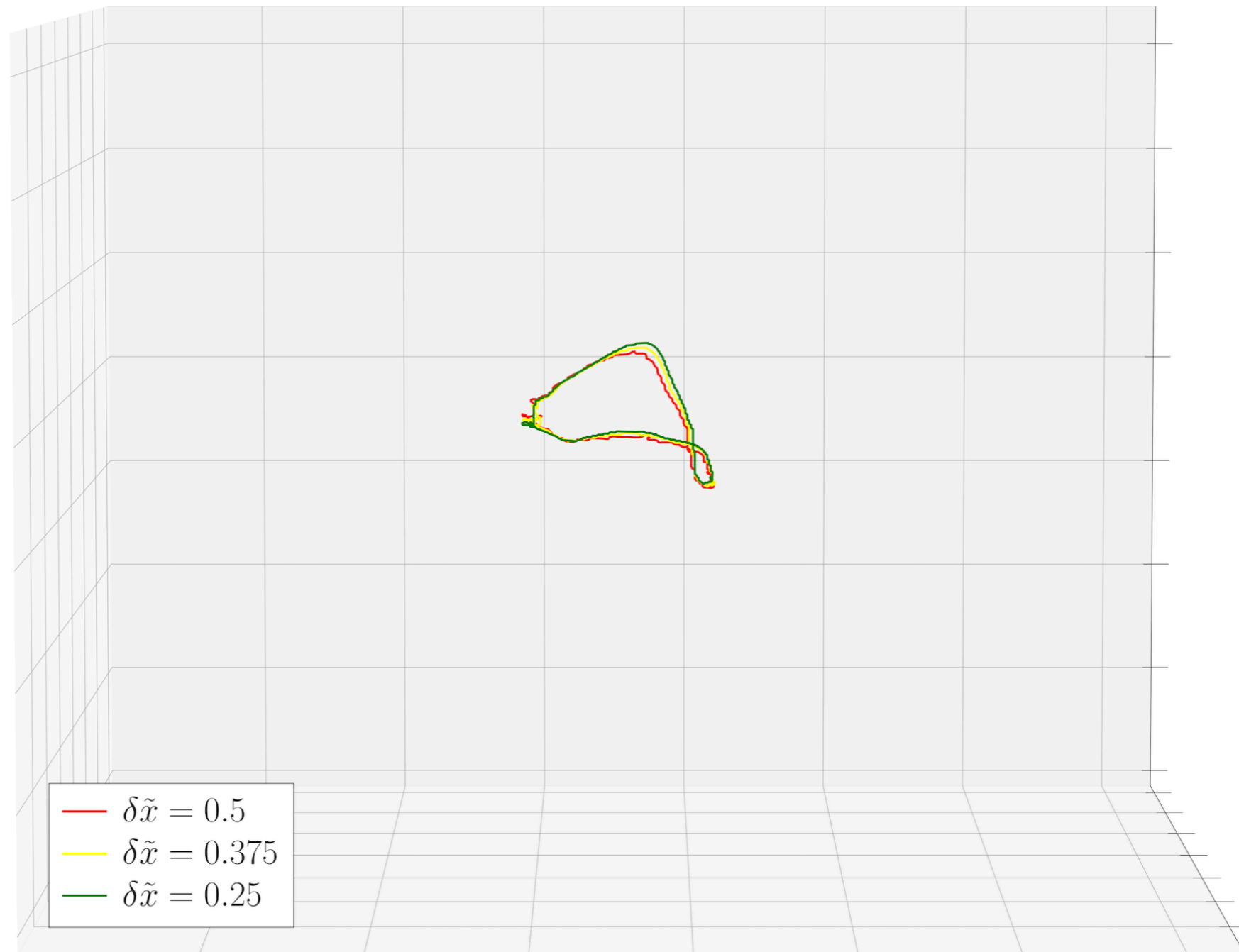
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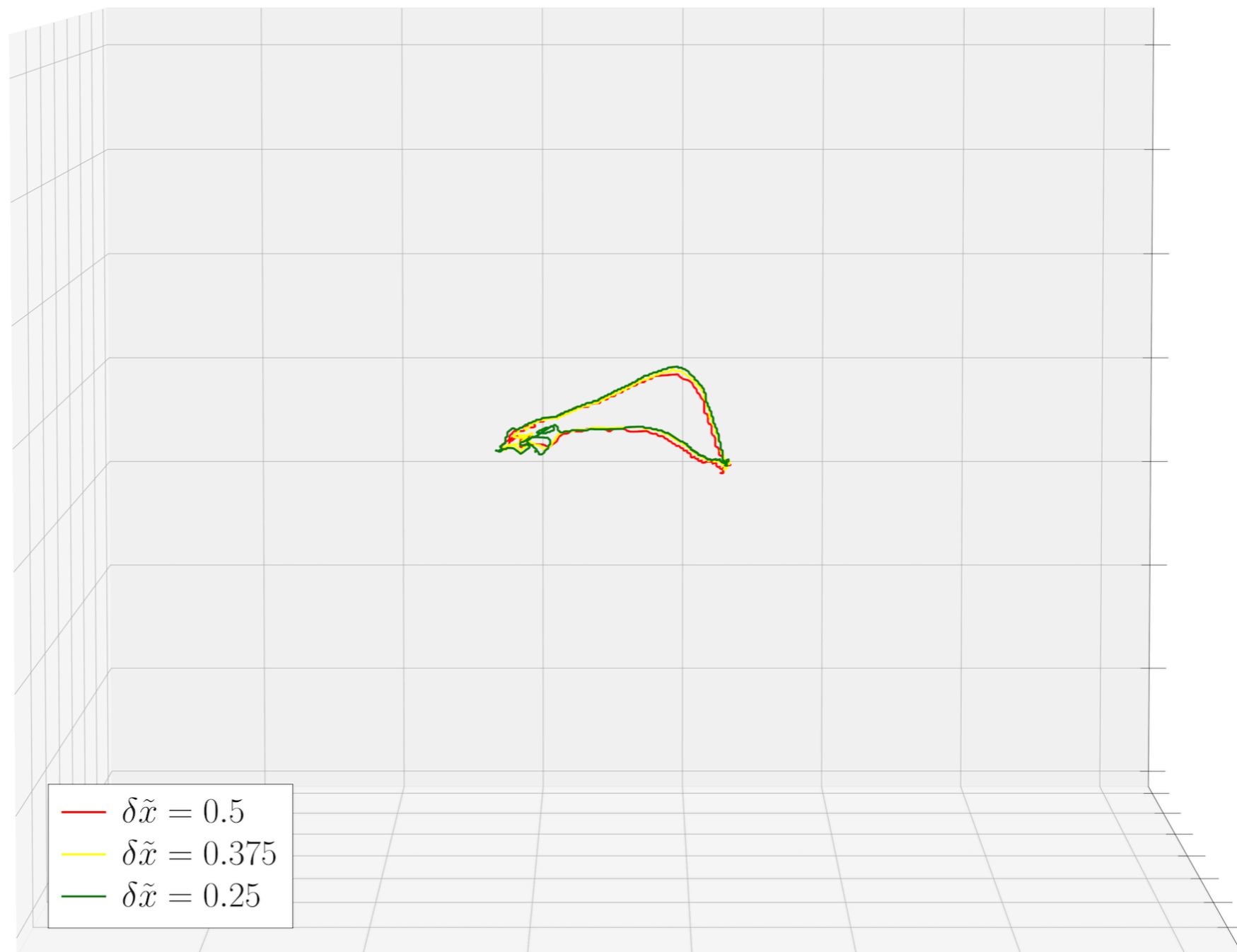
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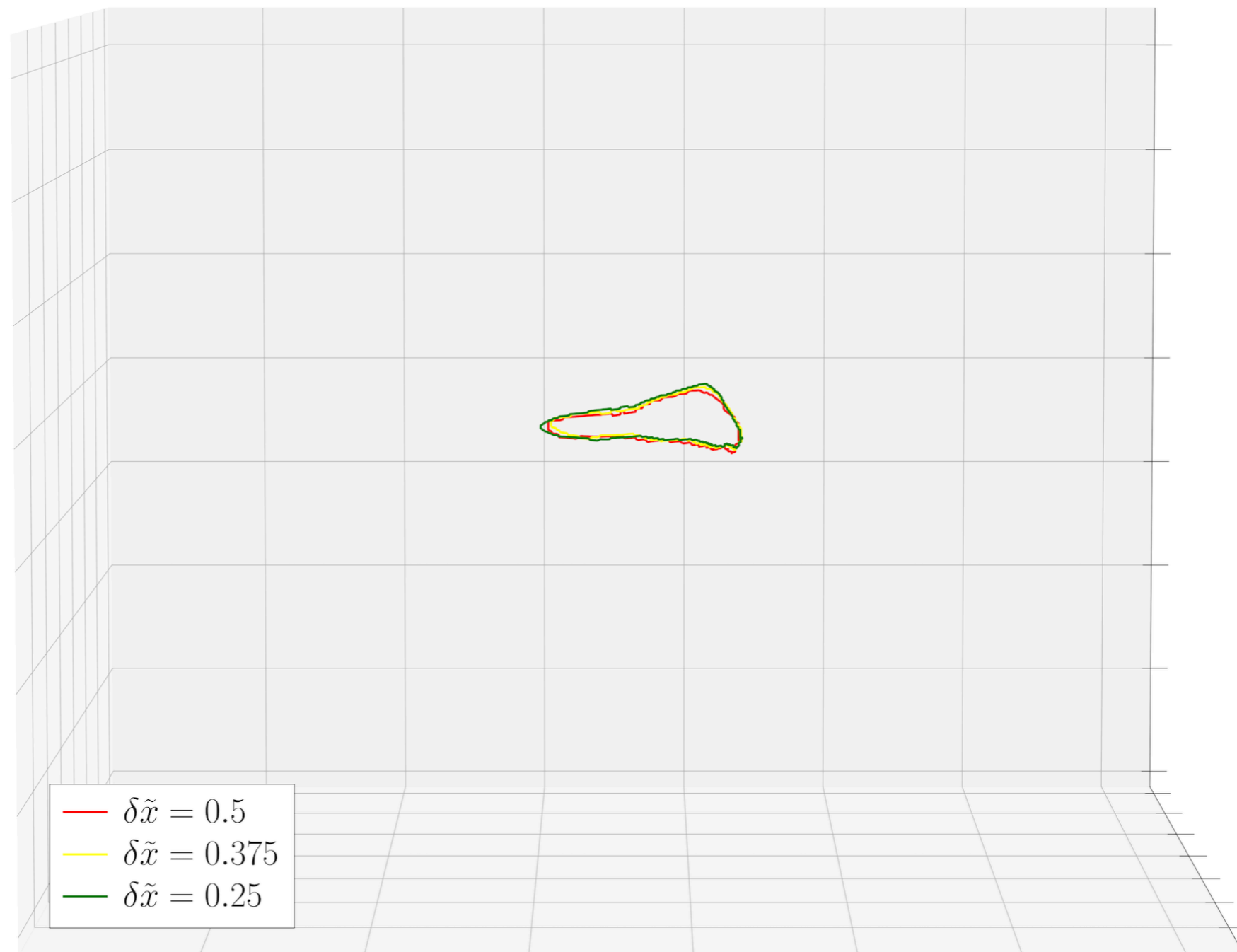
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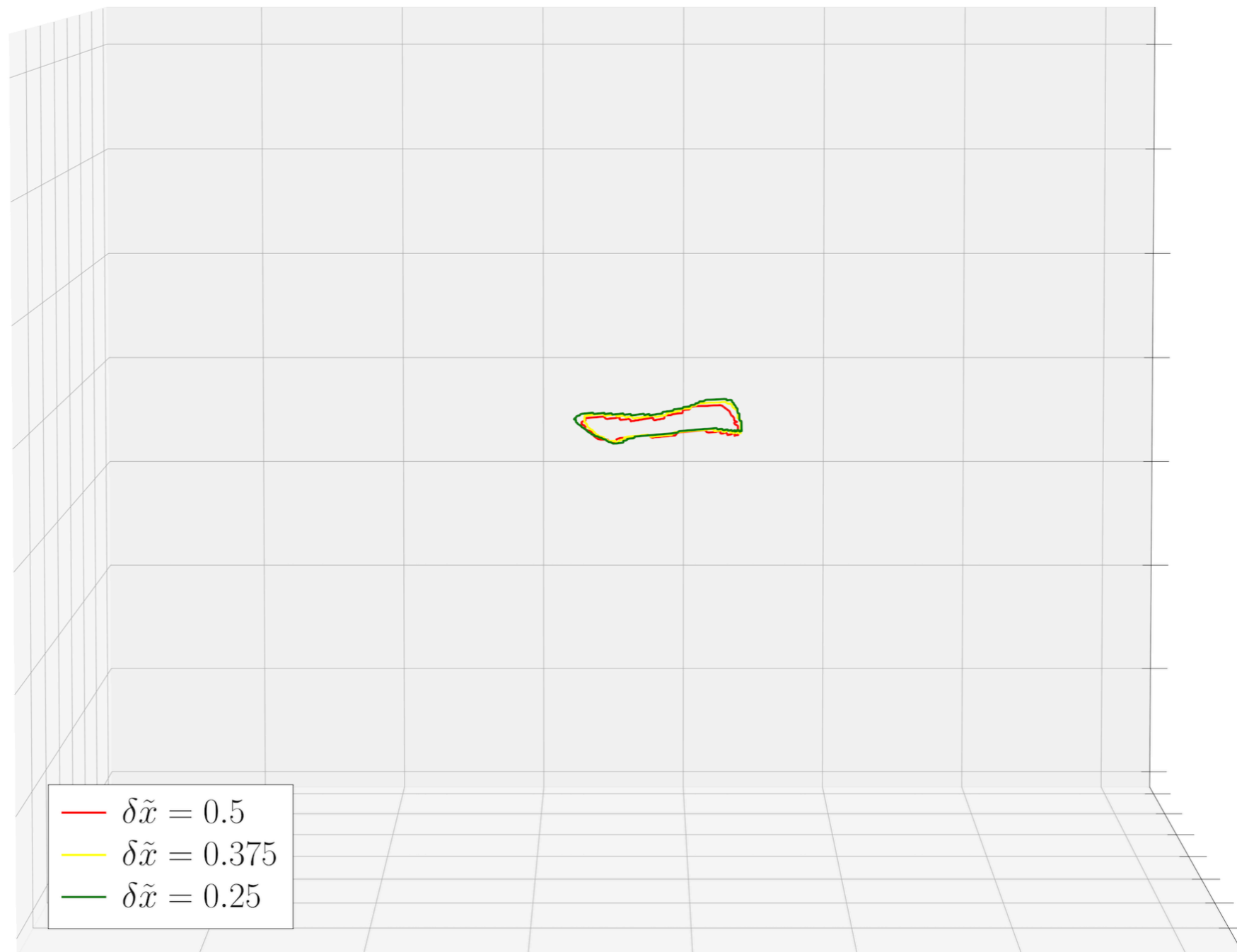
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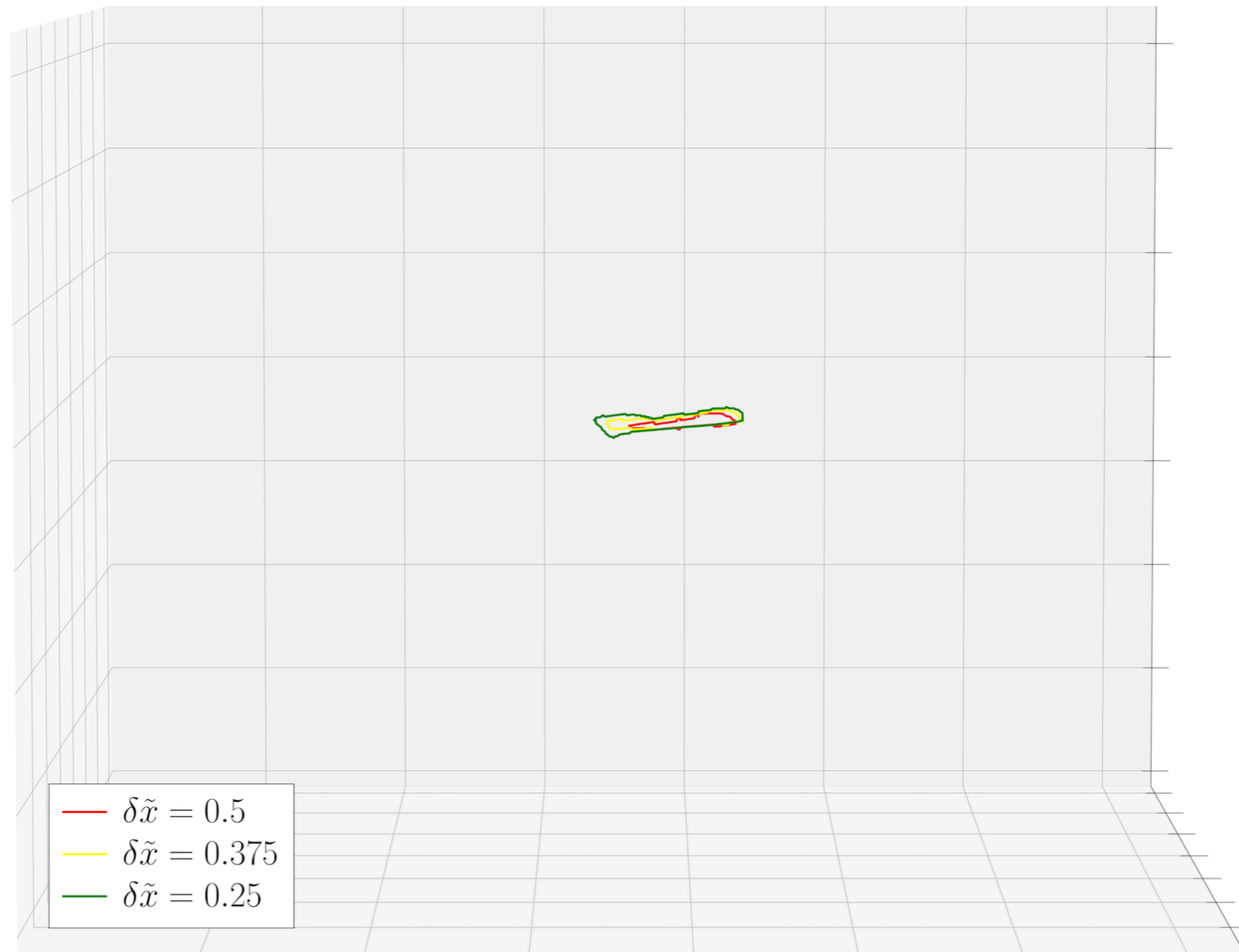
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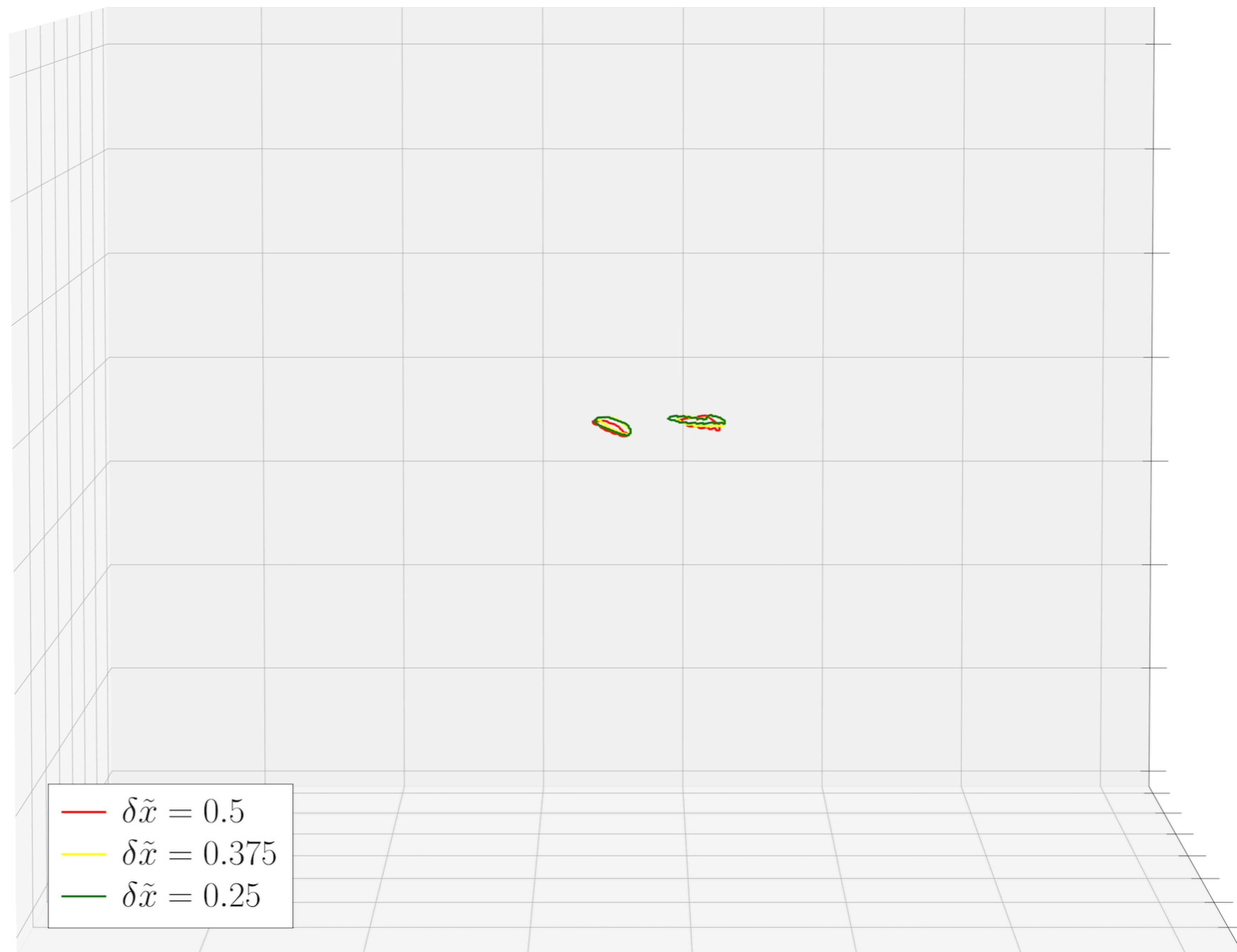
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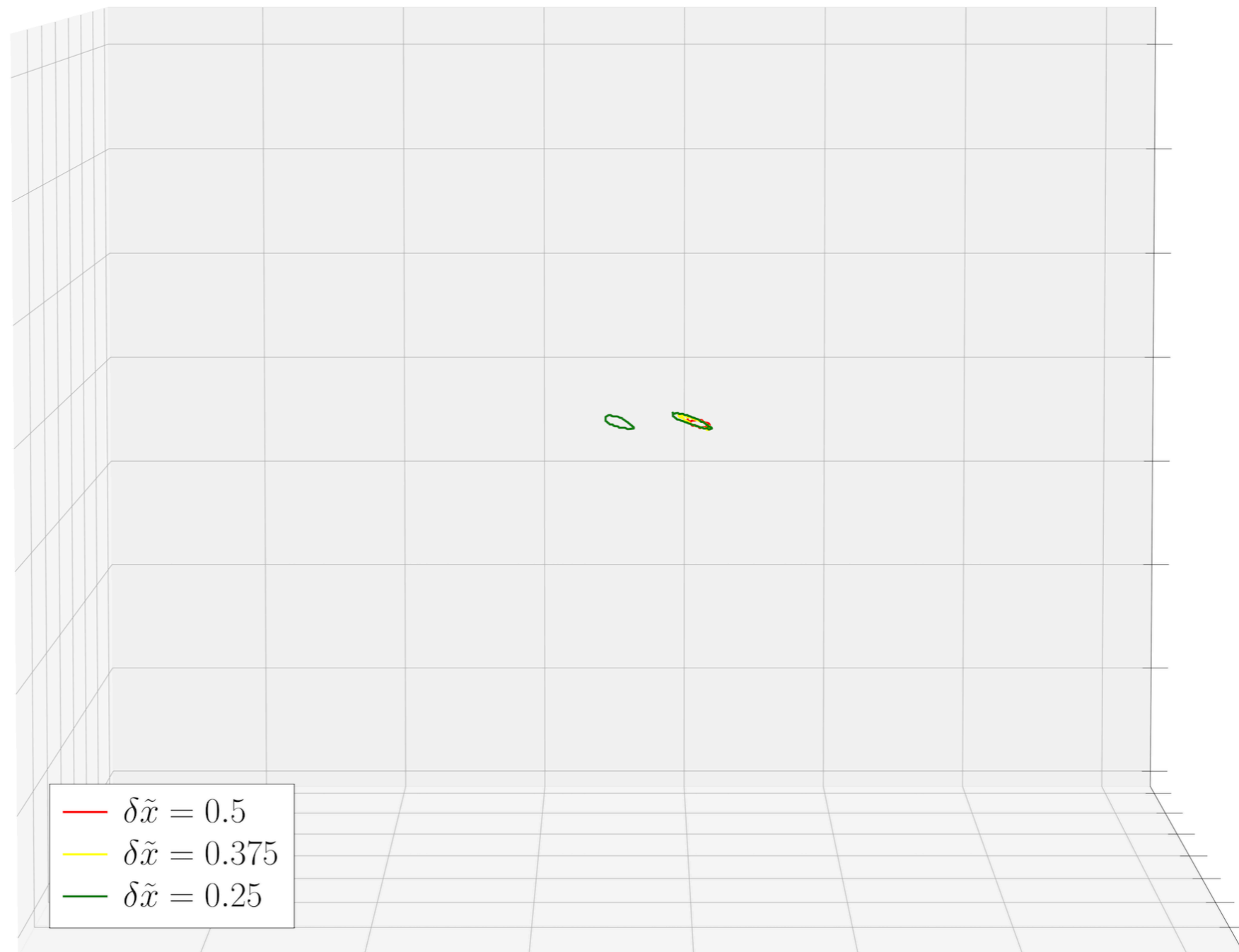
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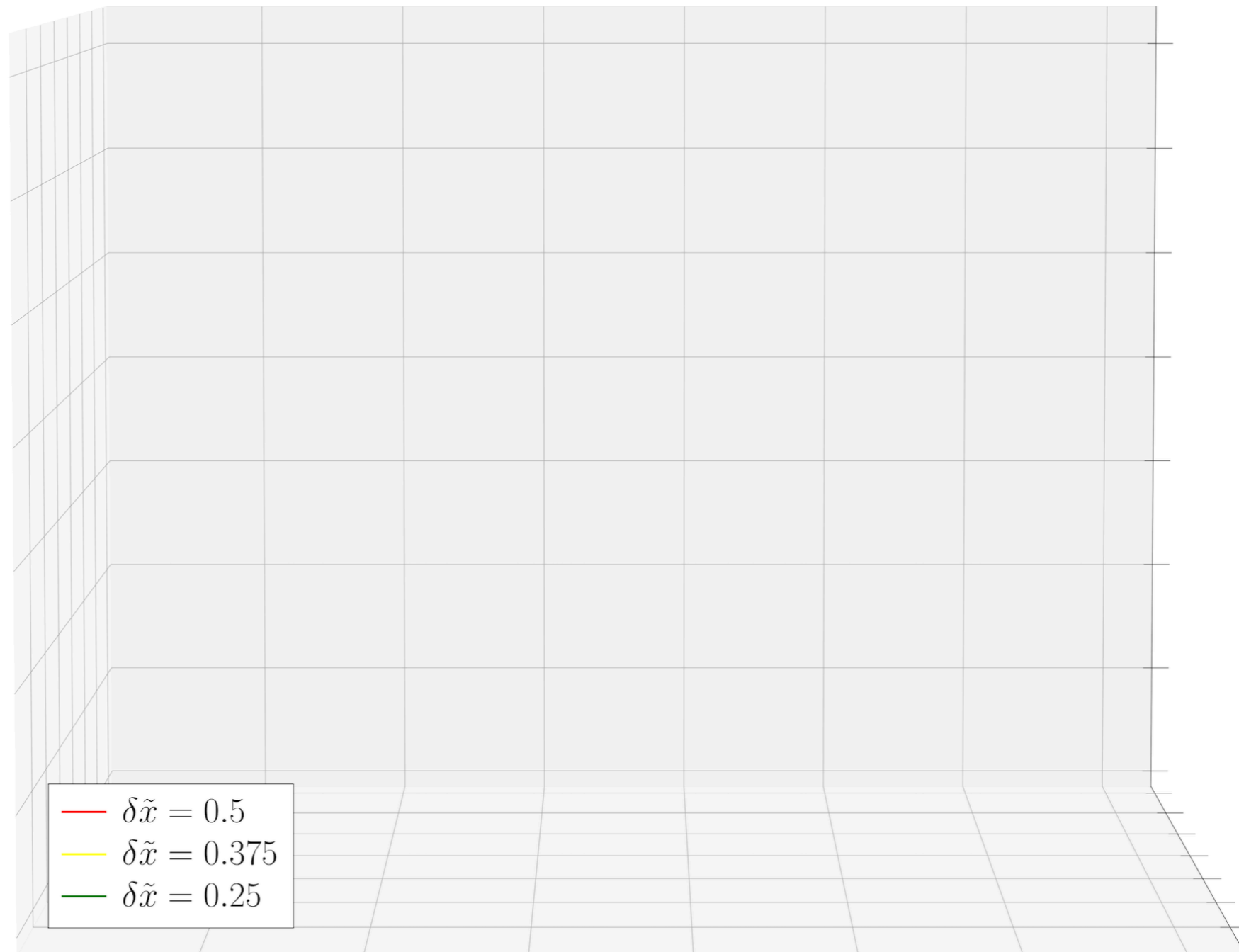
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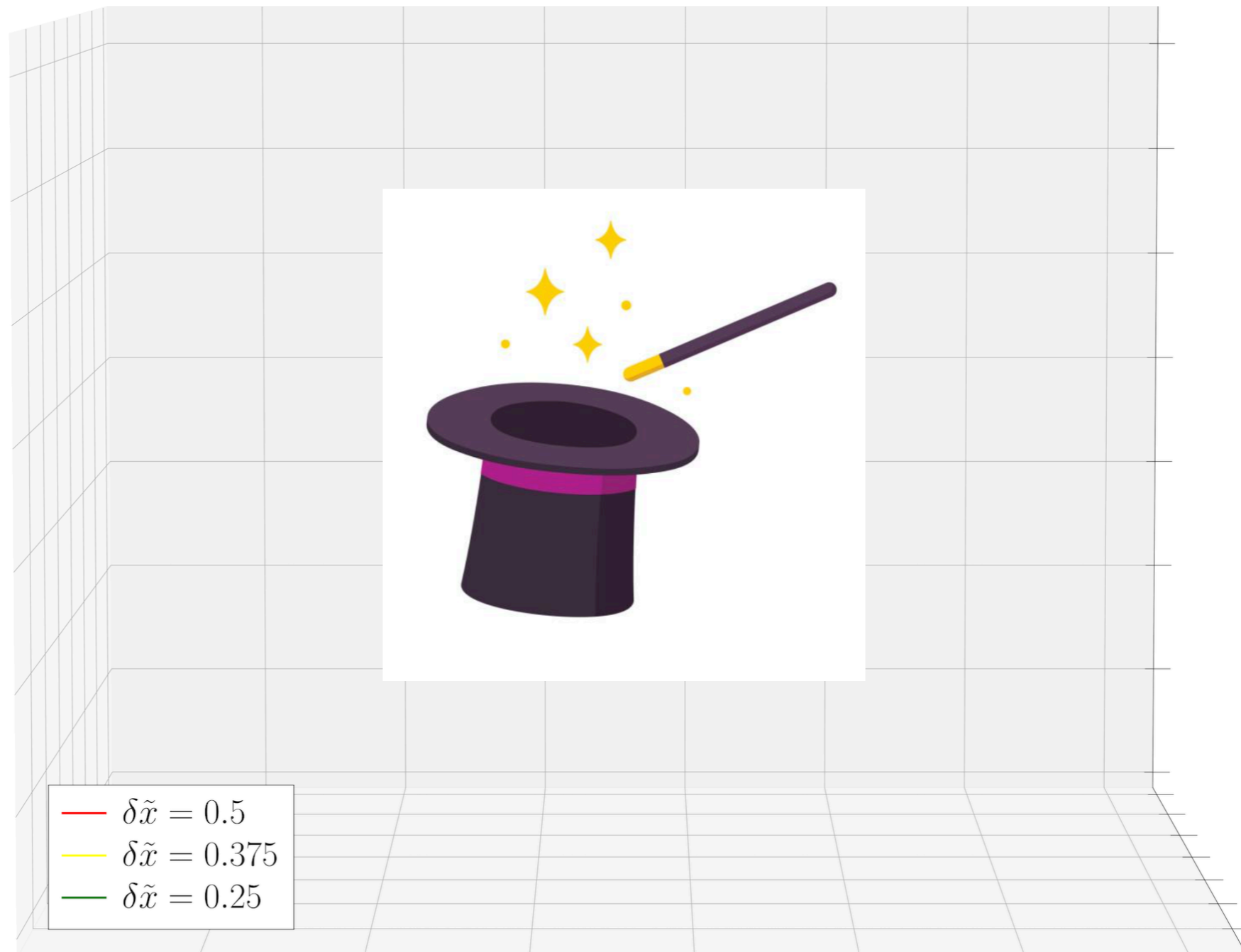
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**Decay Time**

( Due to Particle Emission )

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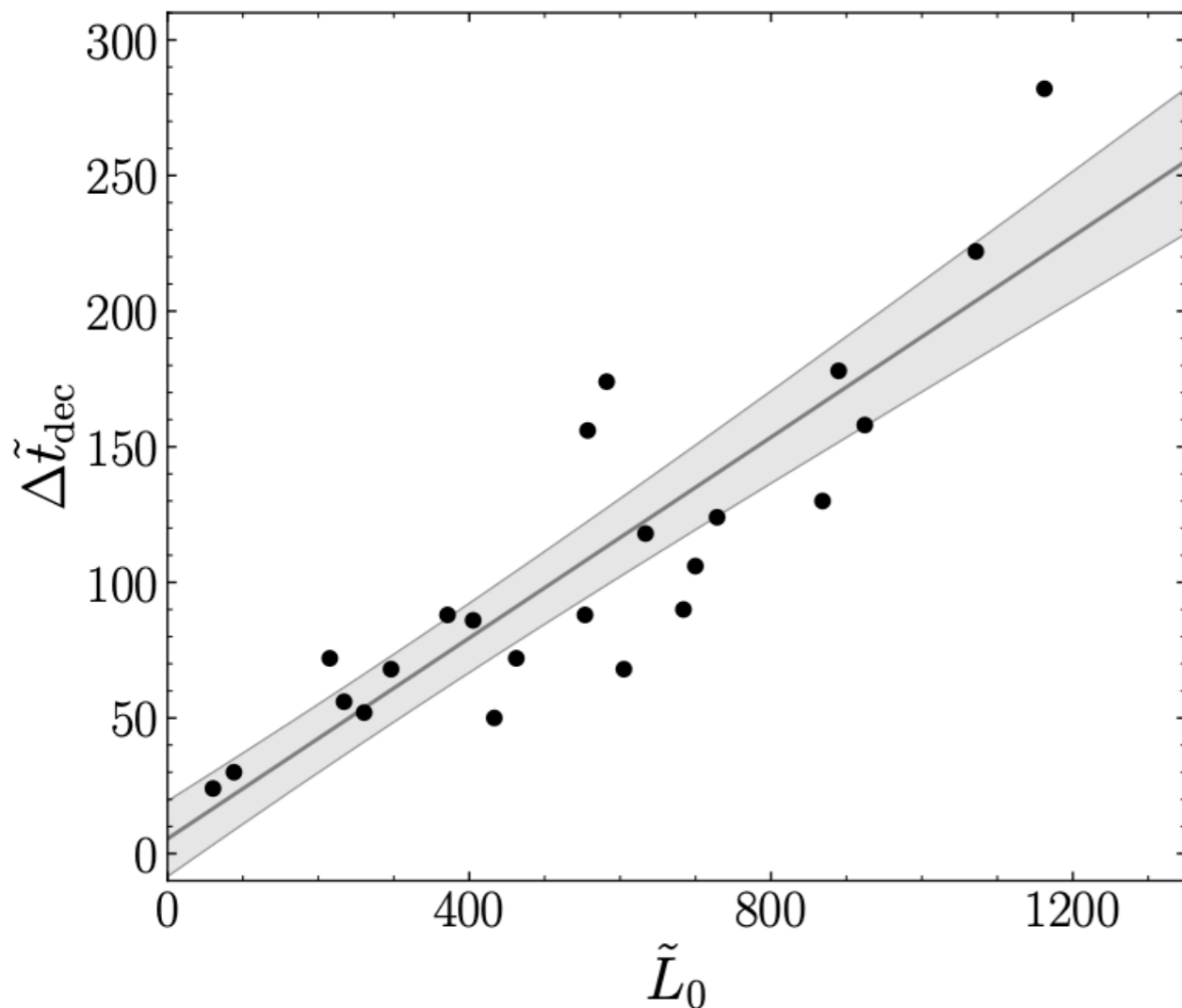
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**Network**



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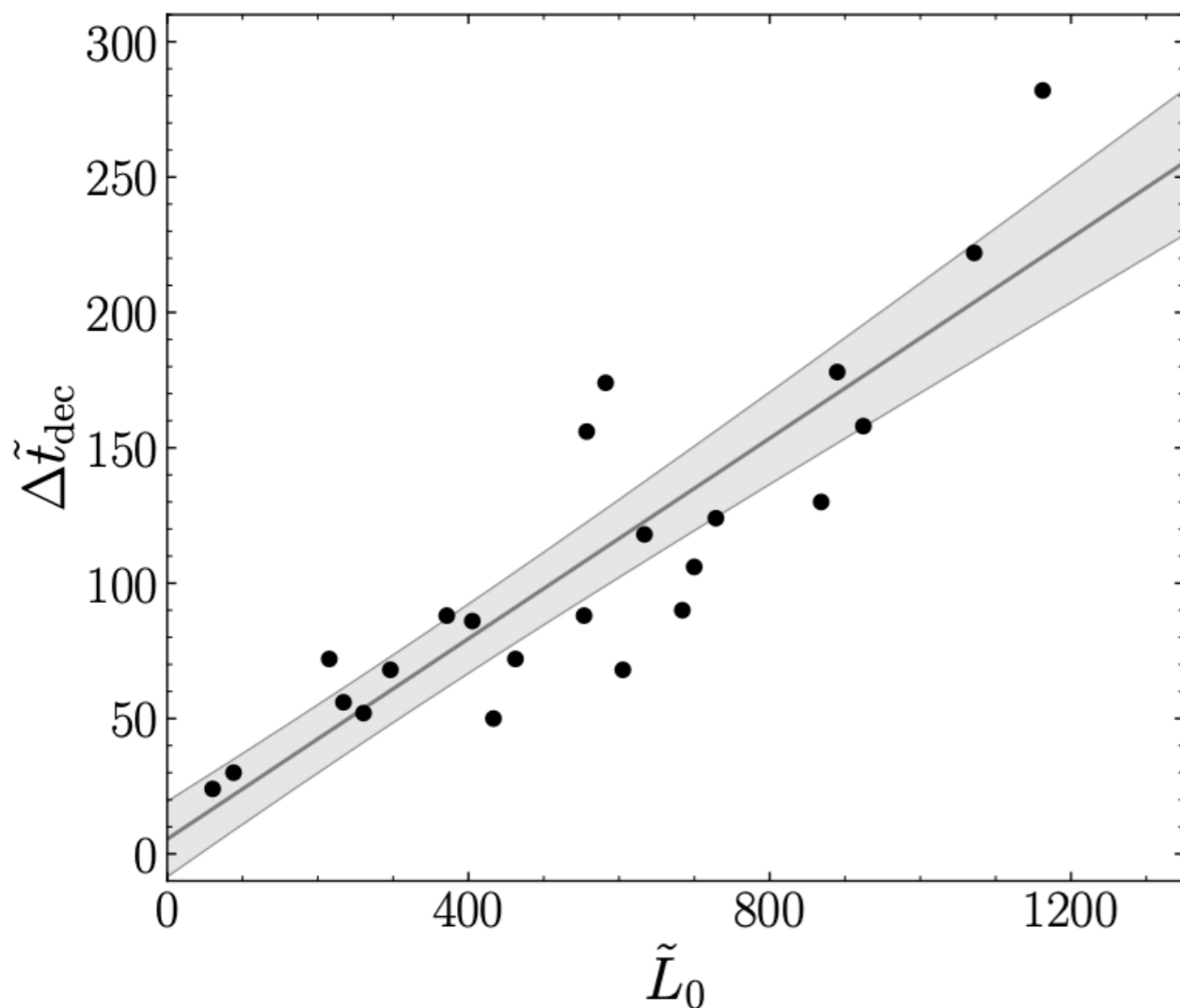
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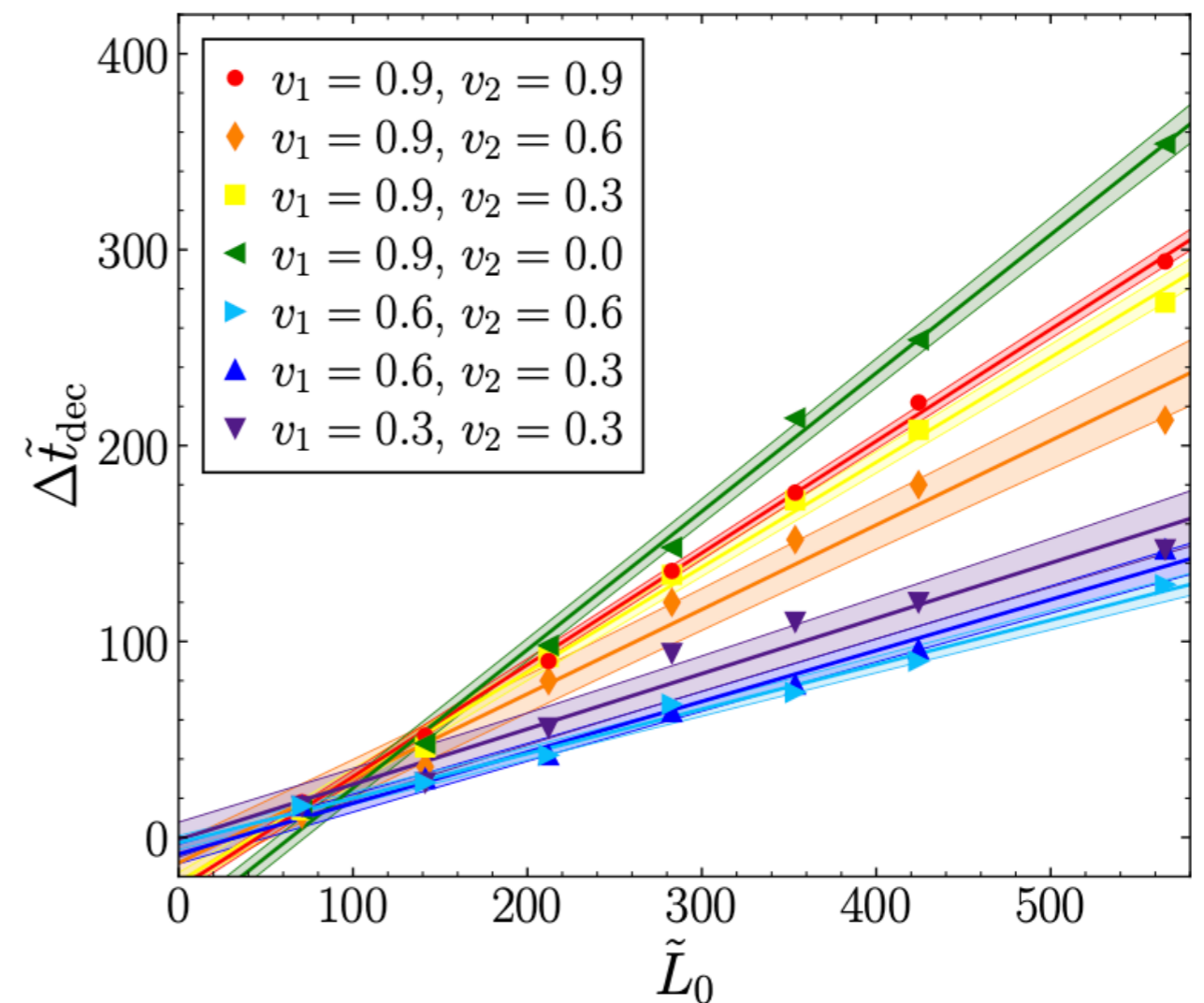
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**Network**



**Artificial**



(See also Saurabh, Vachaspati, Pogosian)

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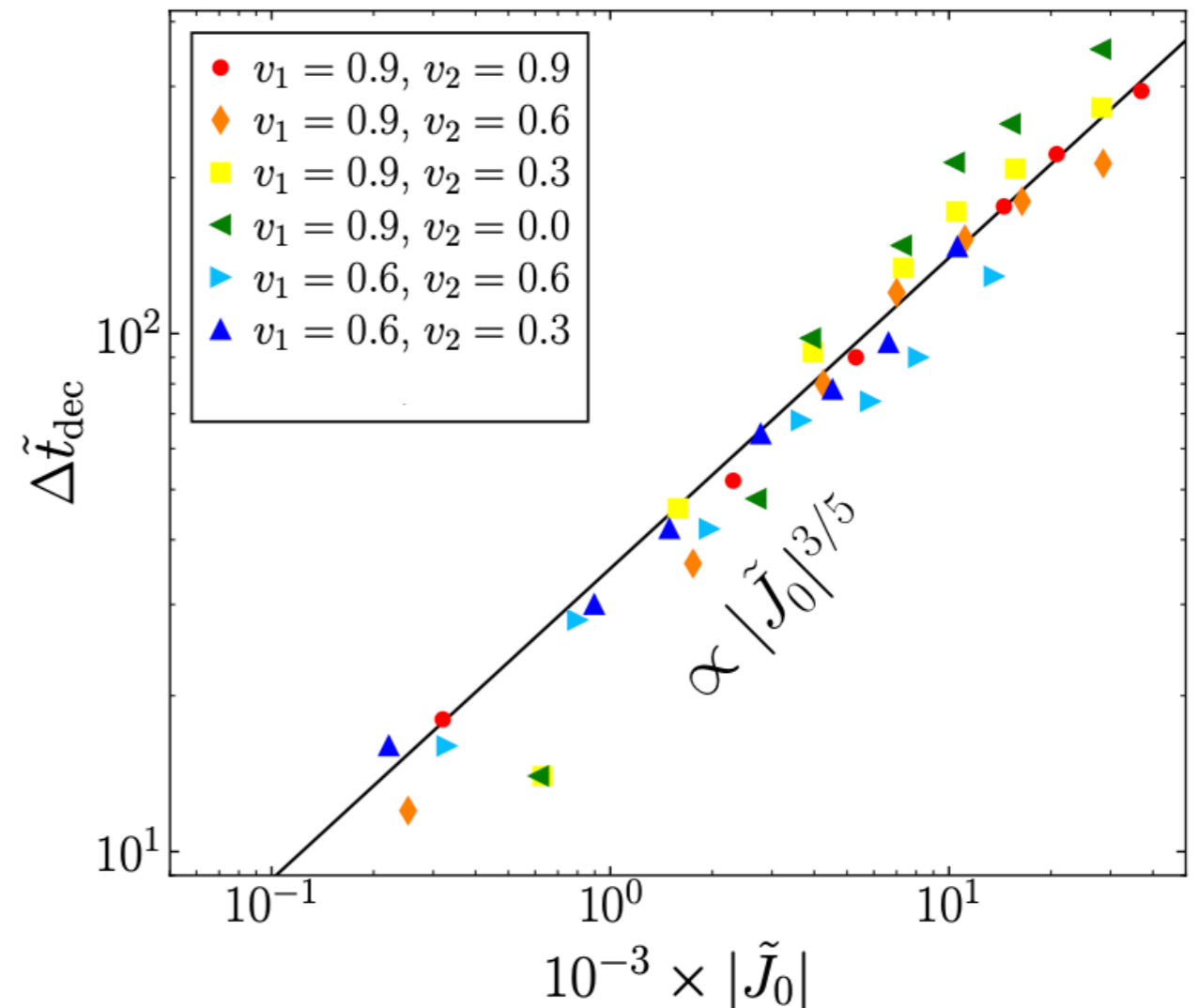
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Angular momentum  
Universal scaling !

$$\vec{J} = -2 \int_{\text{str}} d^3x \operatorname{Re} \left[ \vec{x} \times \dot{\varphi} \vec{\nabla} \varphi^* \right]$$

↓  
Distance to loop's  
geometric center

Artificial





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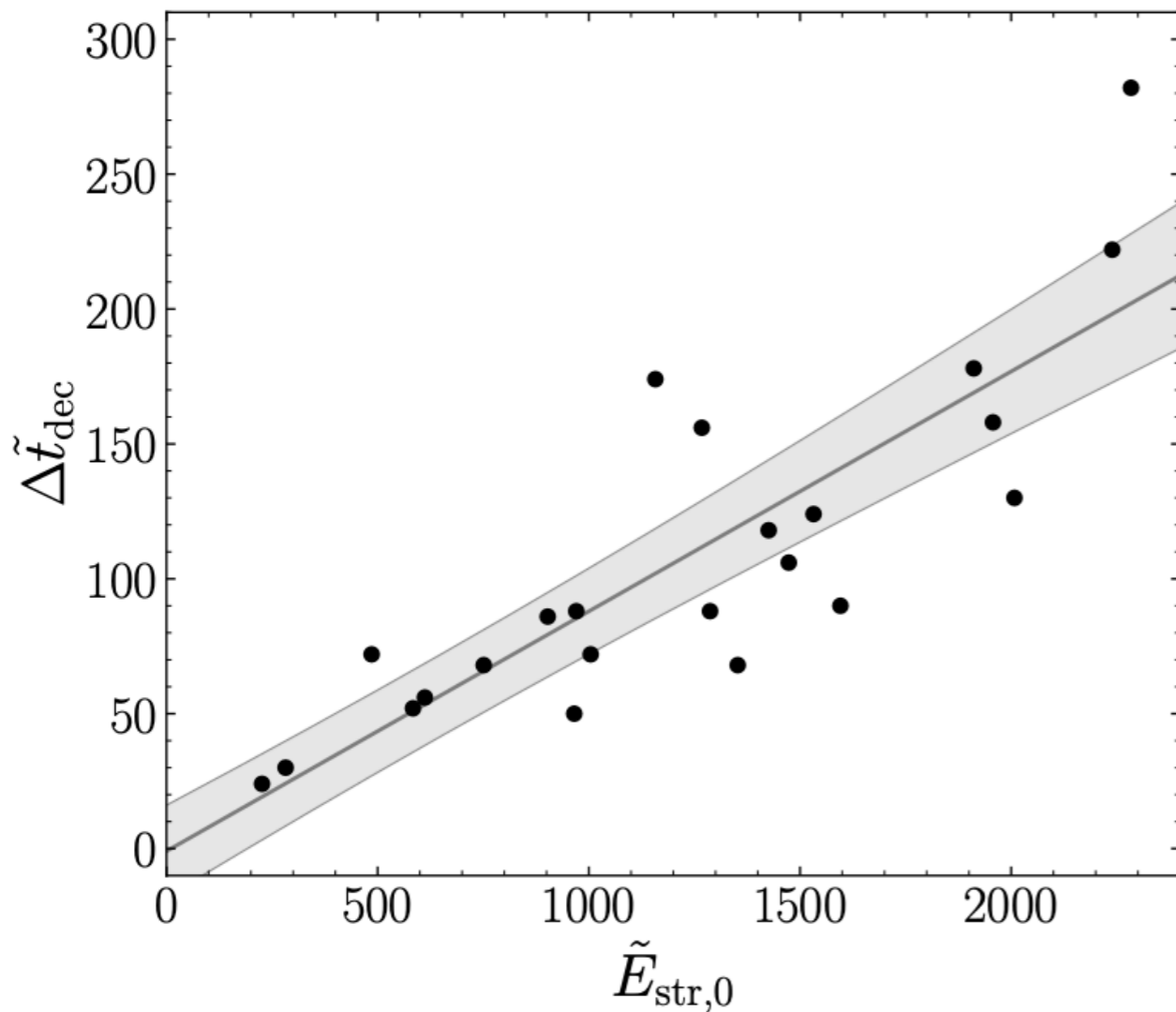
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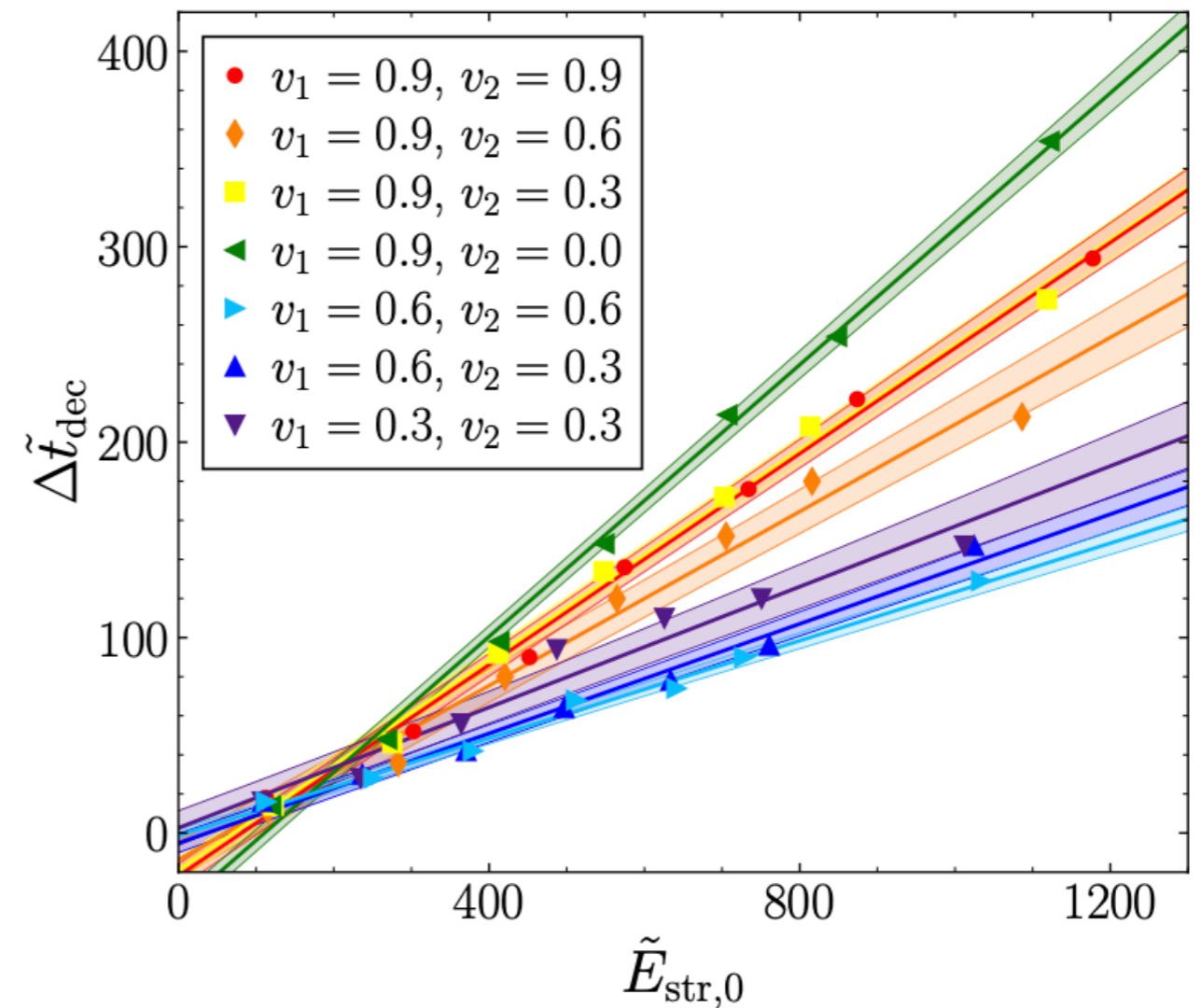
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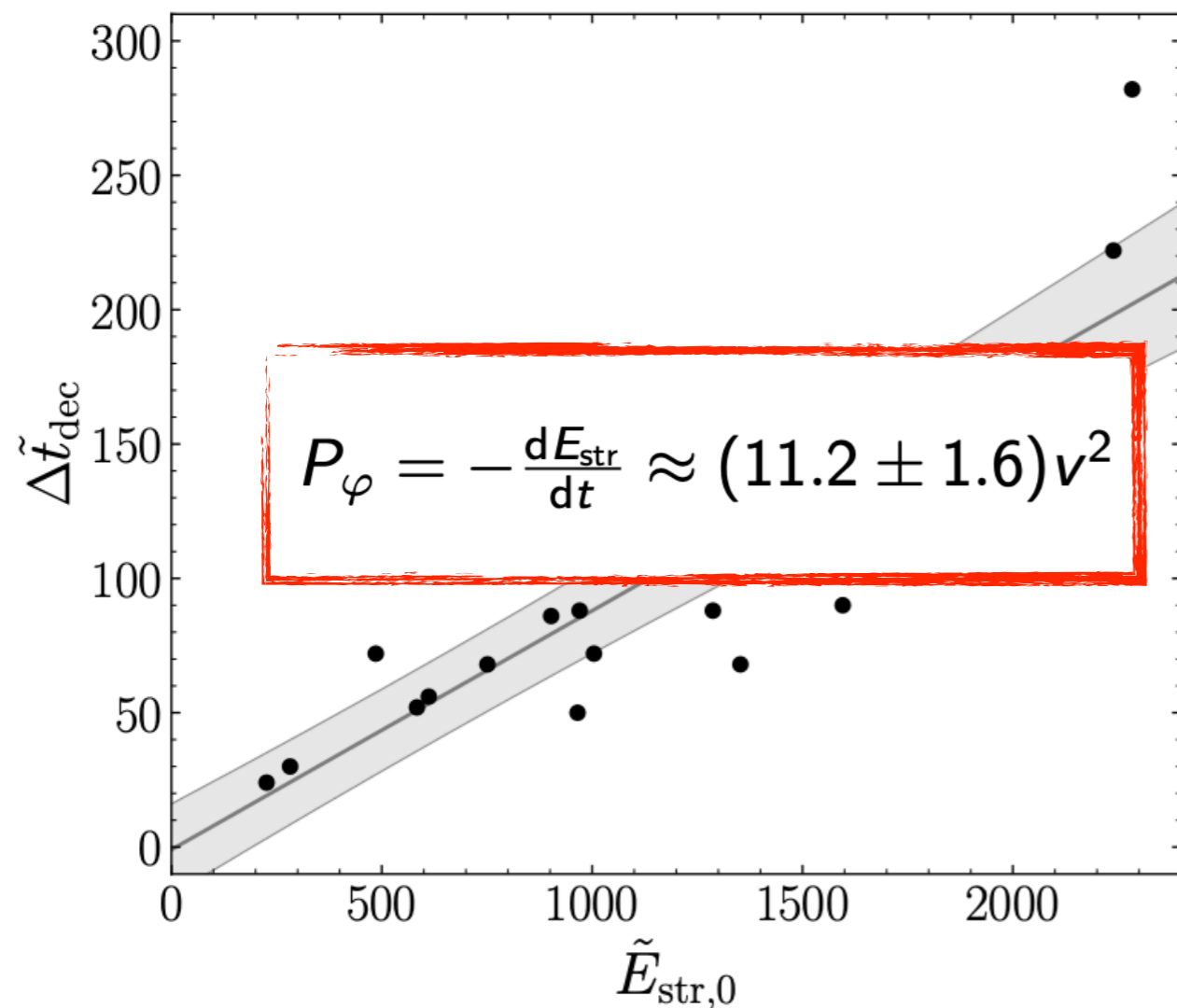
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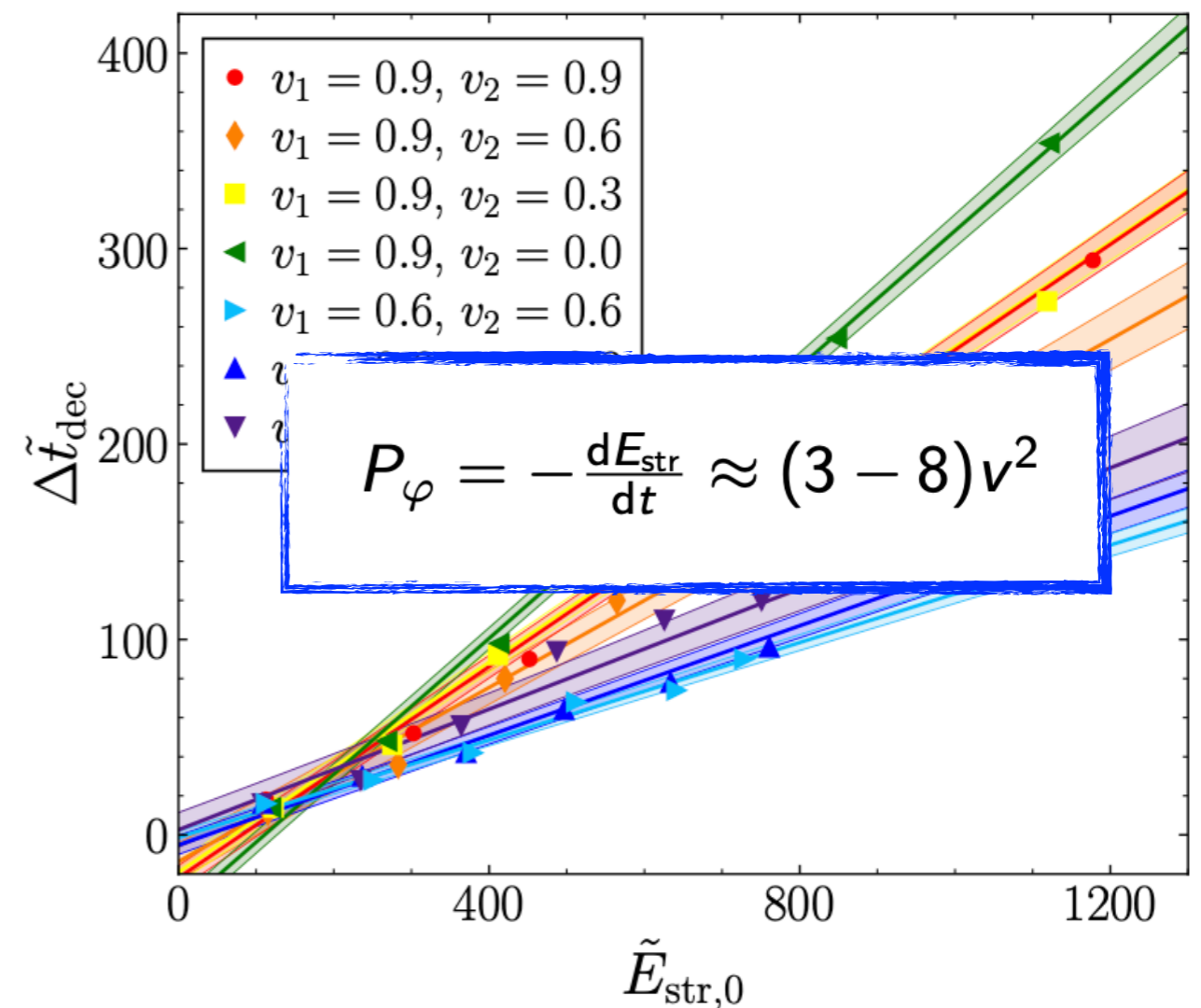
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### Network



### Artificial



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**Independent\* of  
Resolution & Length !**

[ \*within the error ]

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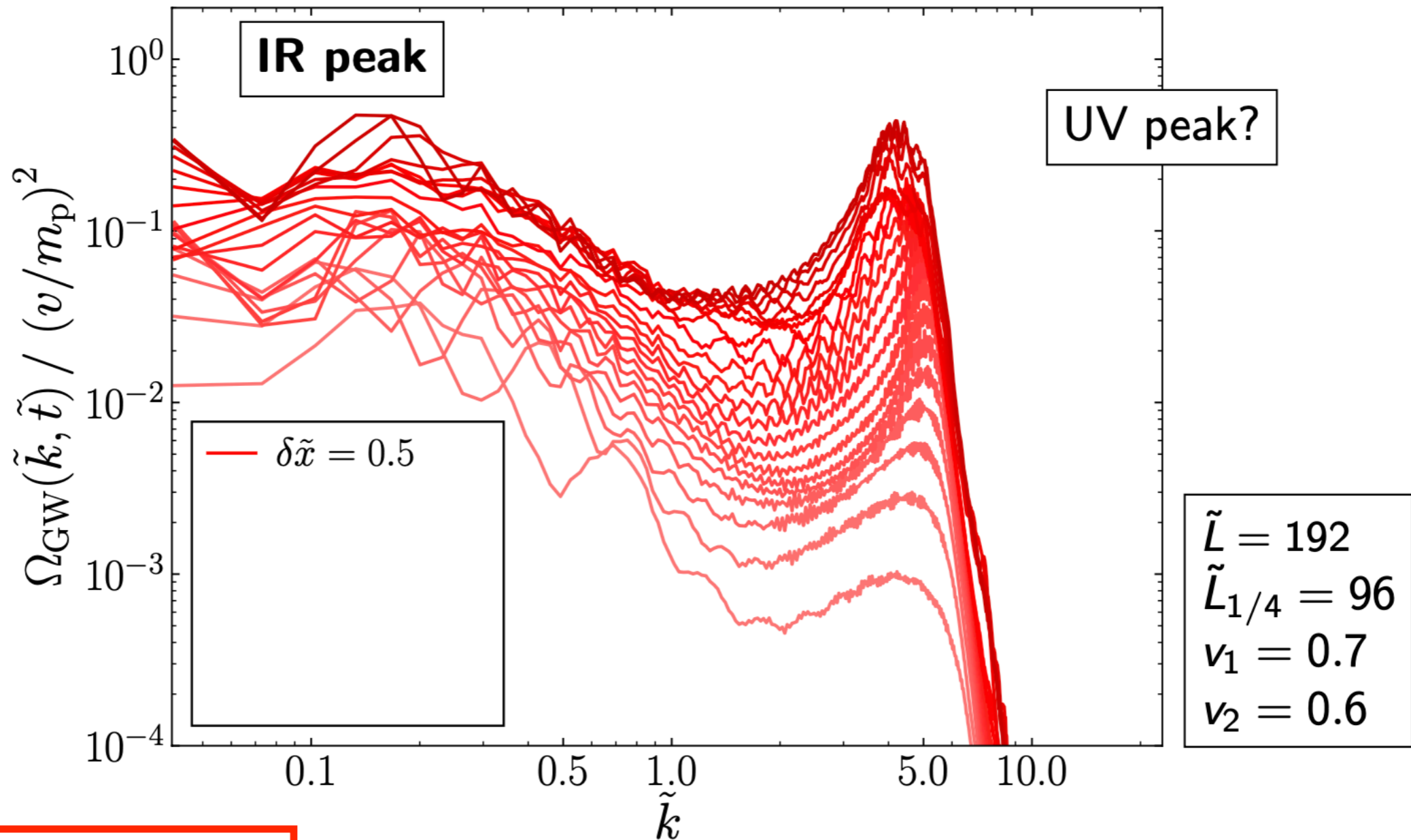
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(Network Loop)



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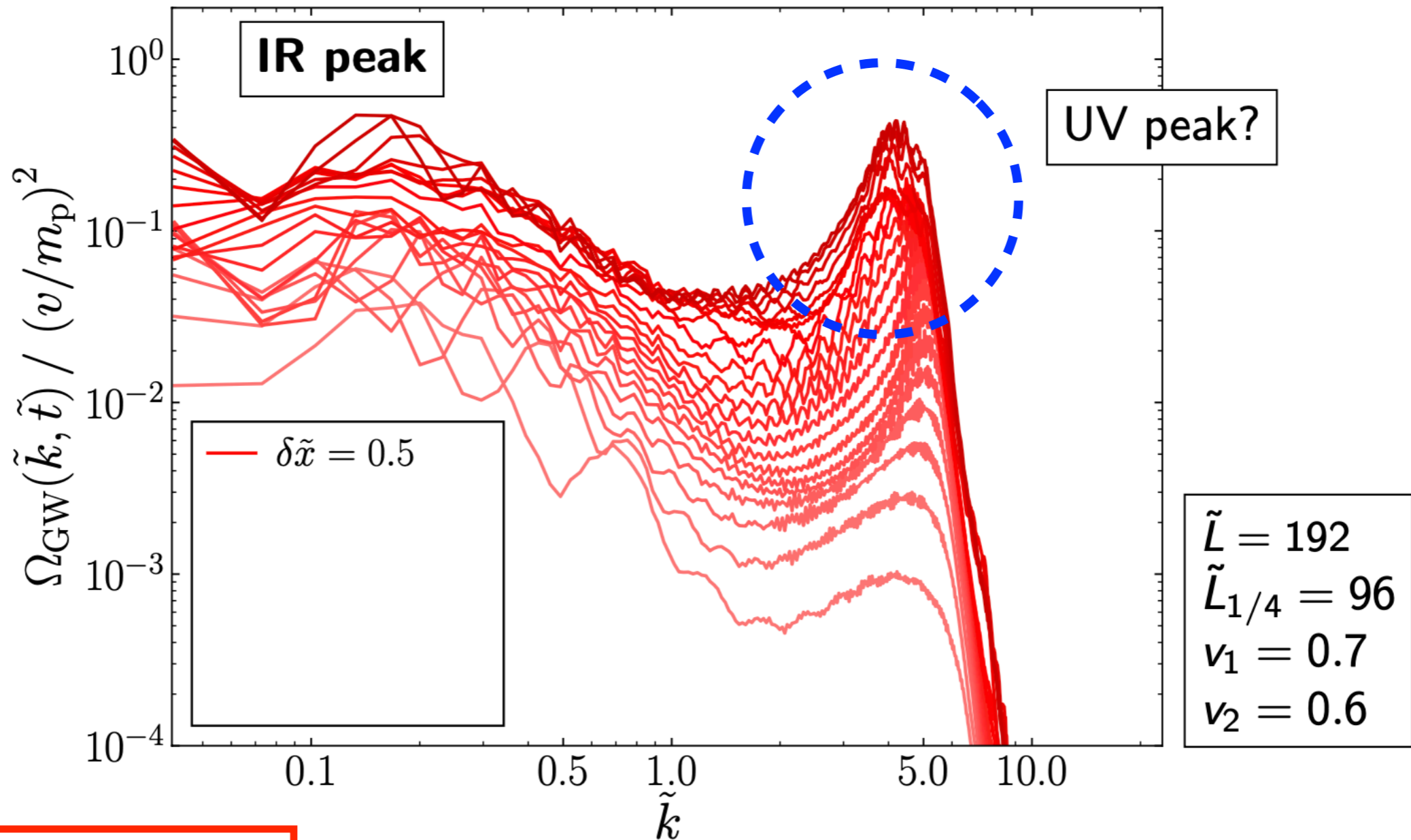
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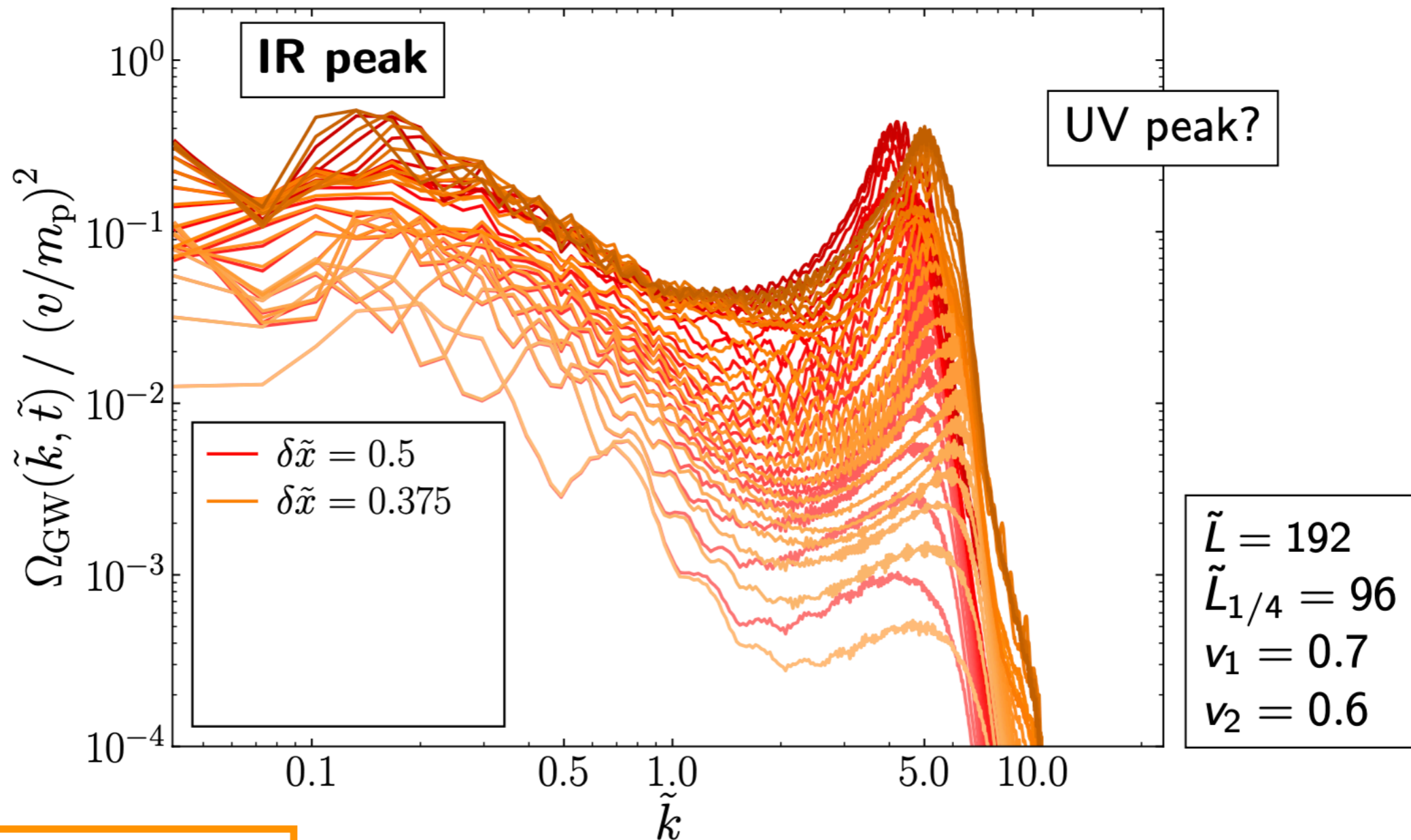
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$$\delta\tilde{x} = 0.375 \Rightarrow N_* \sim 45$$



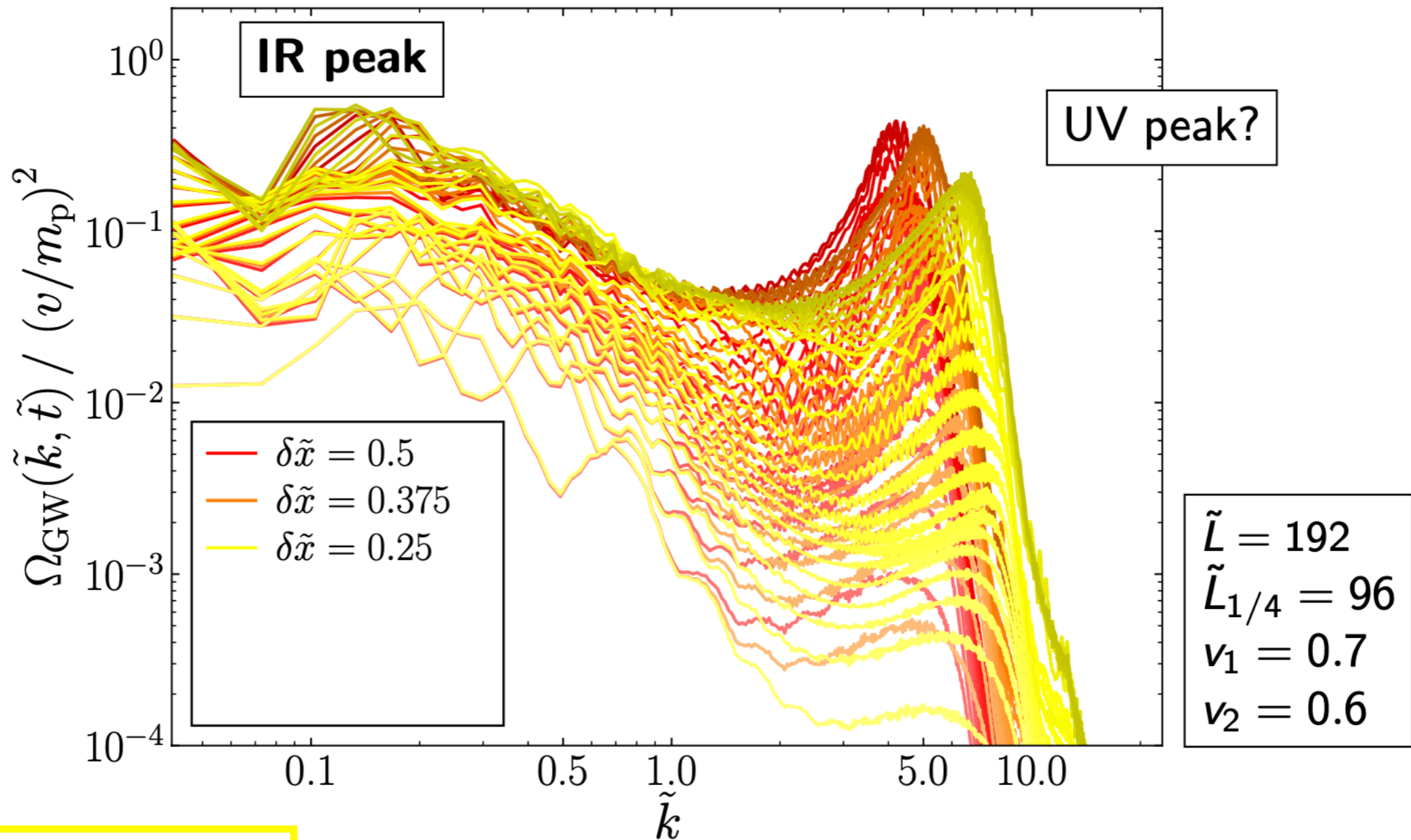
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$$\delta\tilde{x} = 0.250 \Rightarrow N_* \sim 100$$

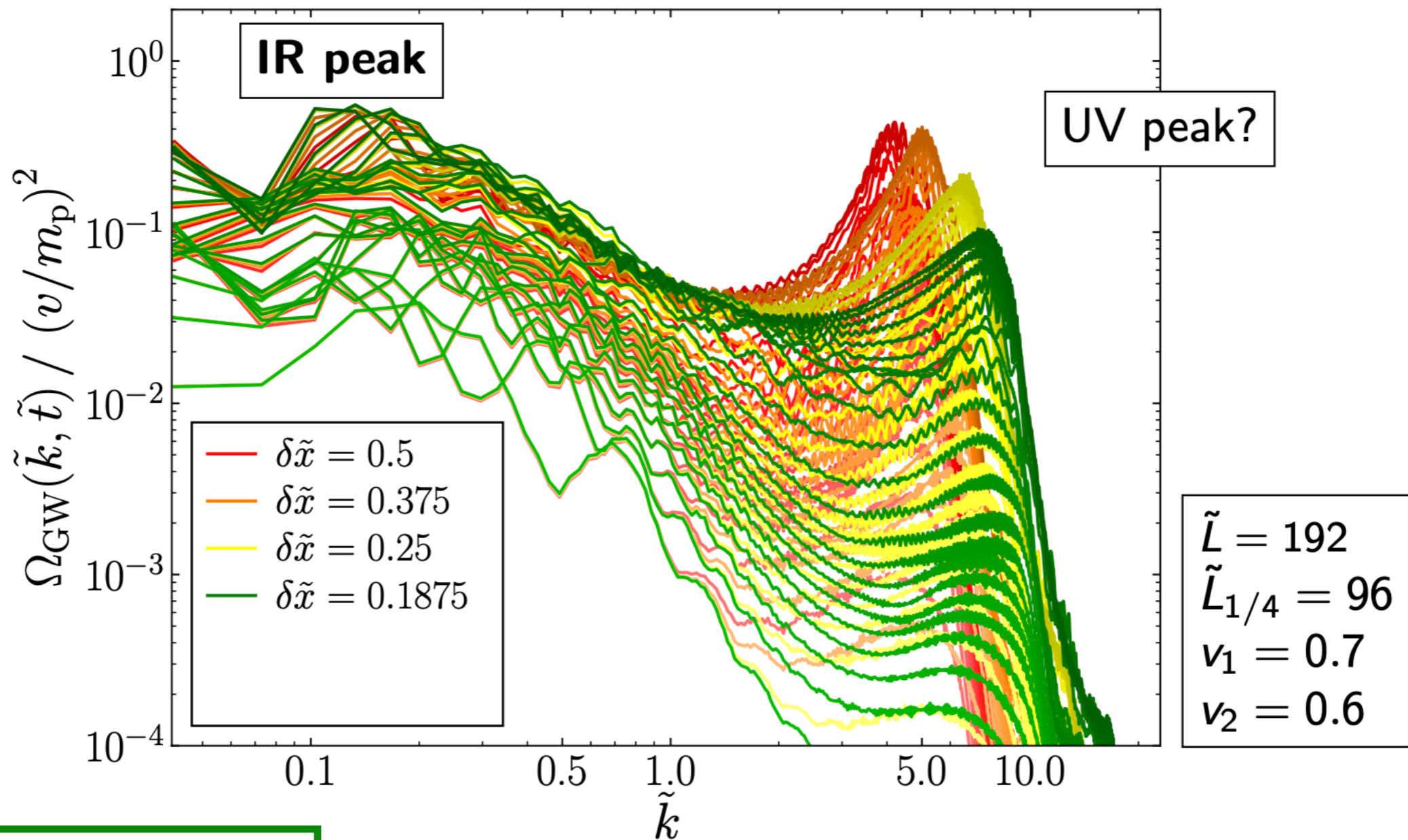
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$$\delta\tilde{x} = 0.1875 \Rightarrow N_* \sim 180$$

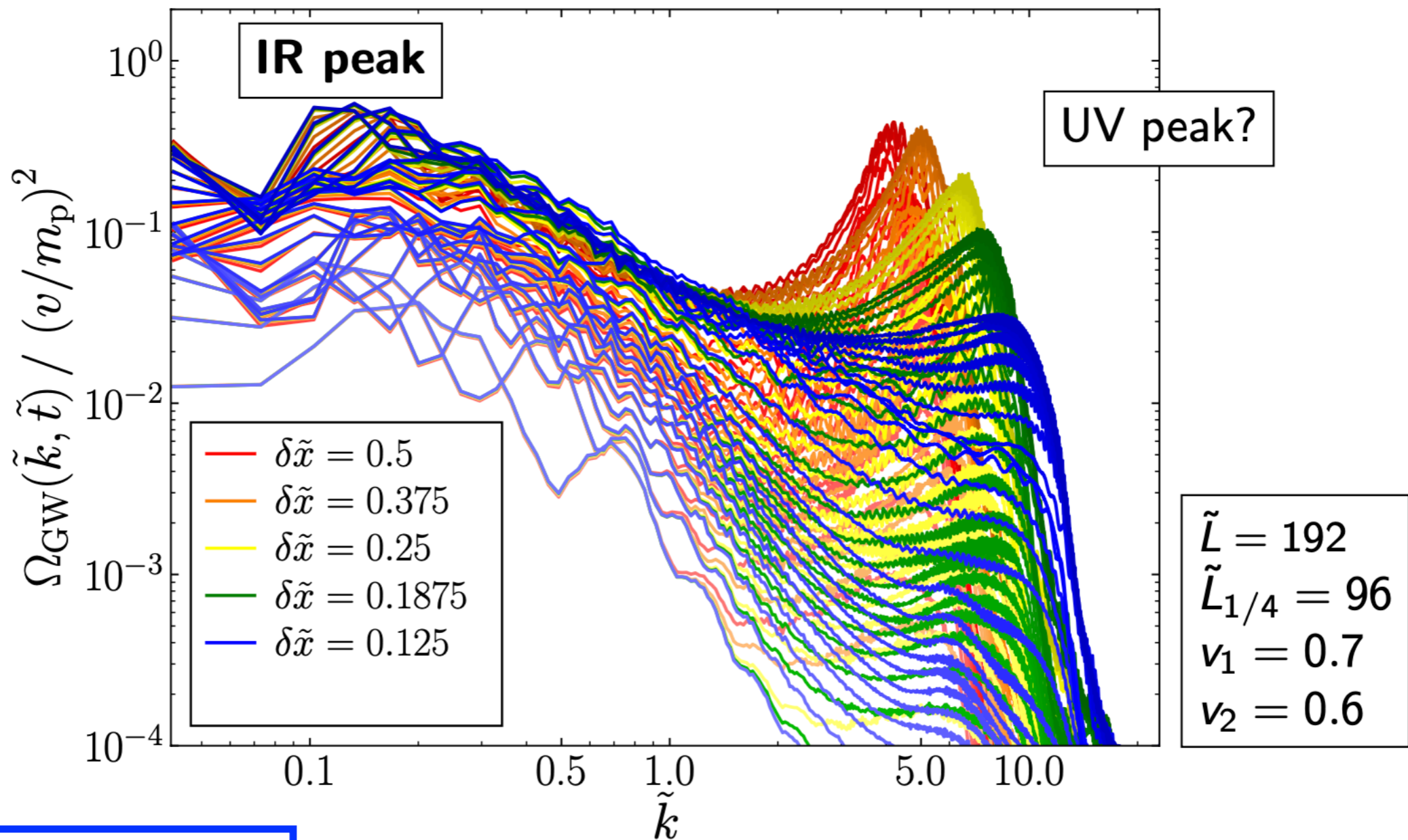
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$$\delta\tilde{x} = 0.125 \Rightarrow N_* \sim 400$$



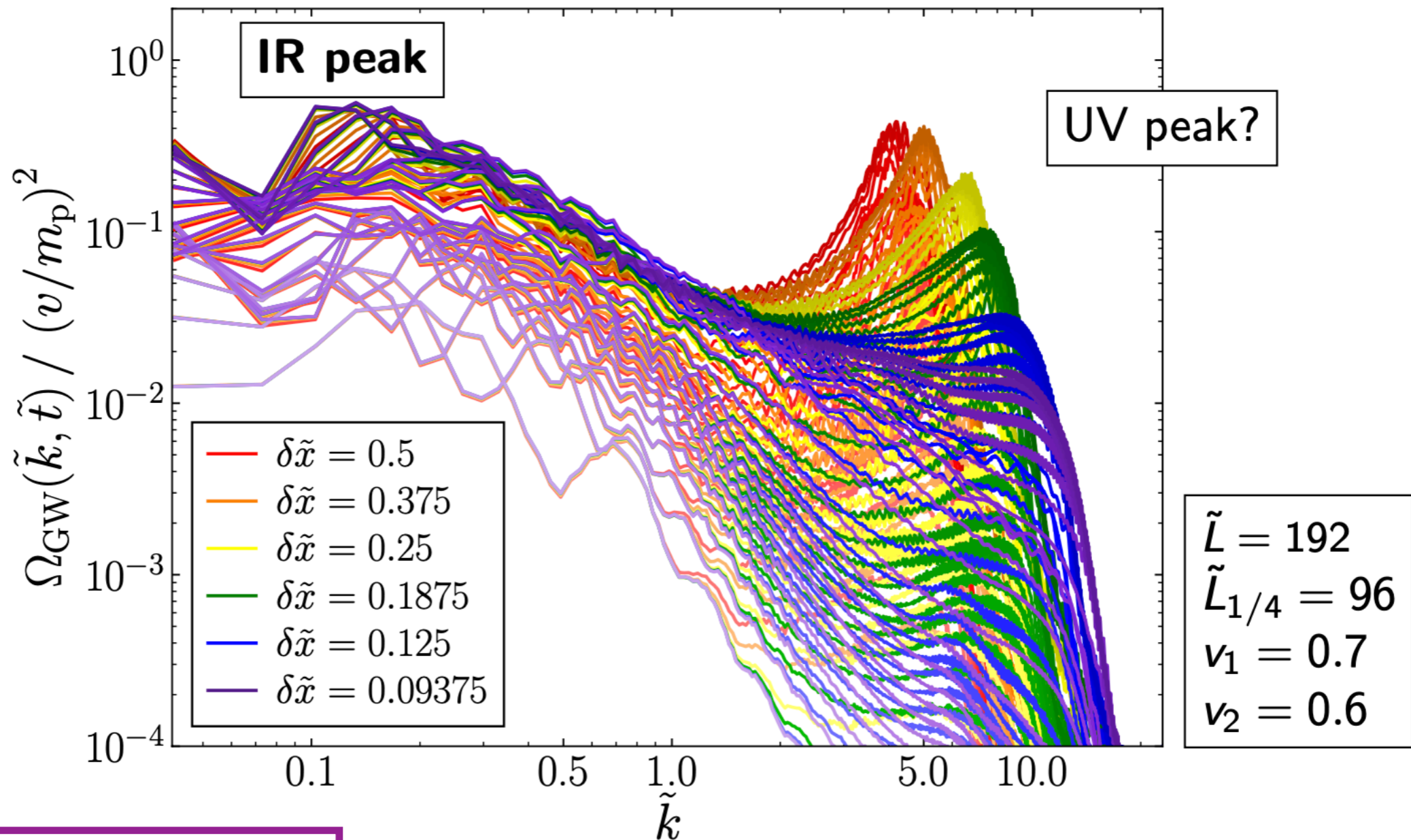
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$$\delta\tilde{x} = 0.09375 \Rightarrow N_* \sim 700$$

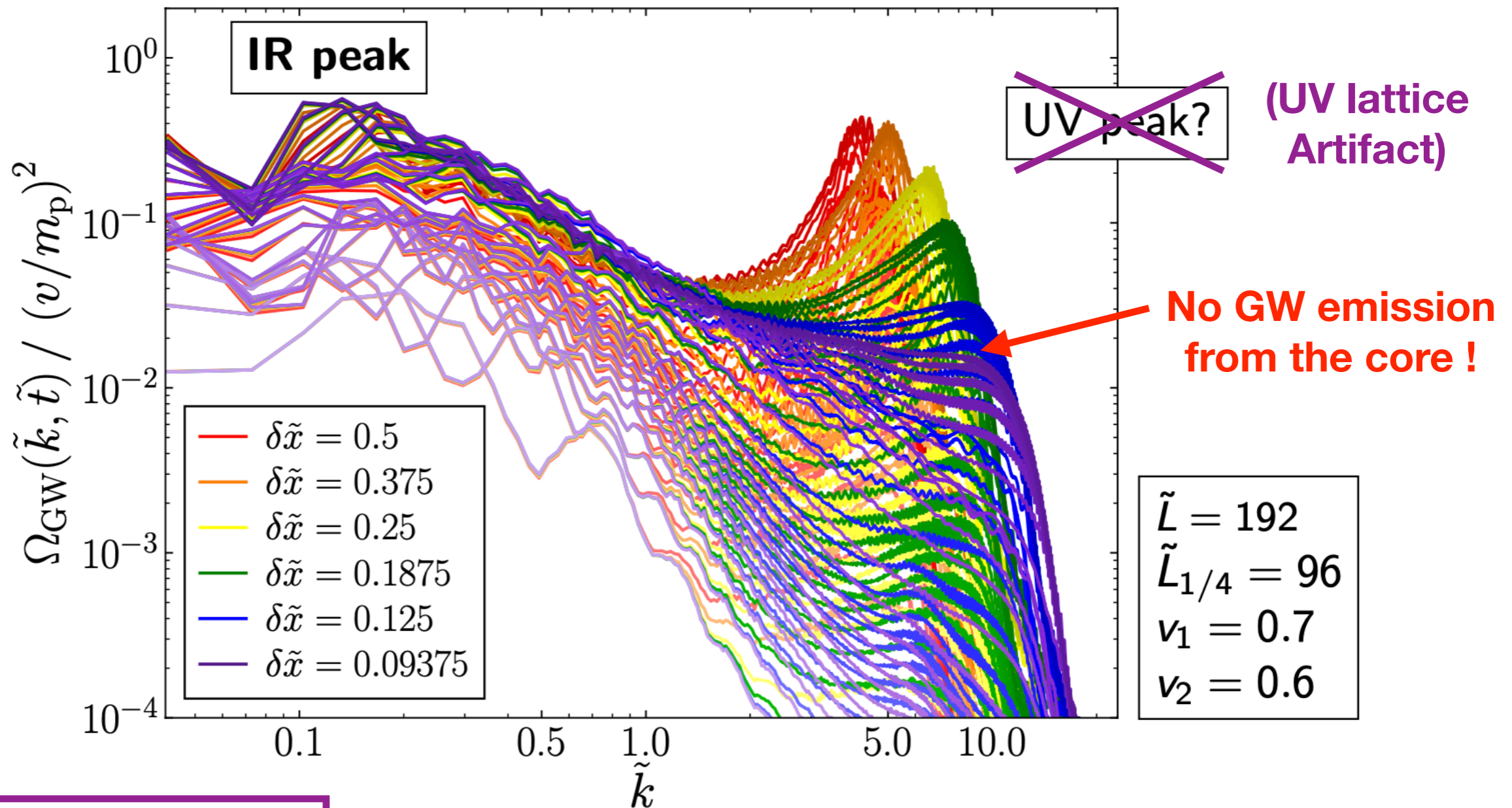
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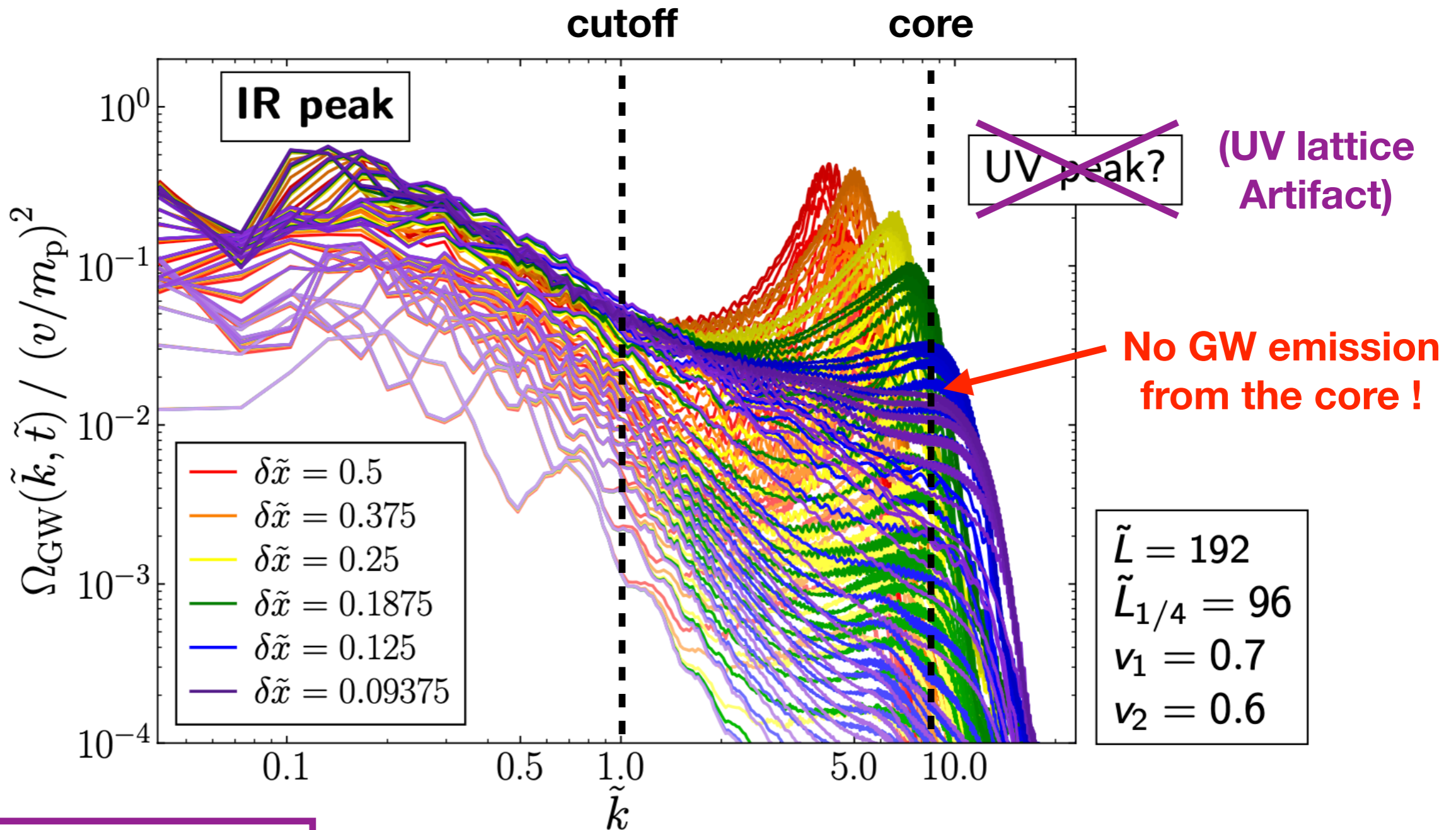
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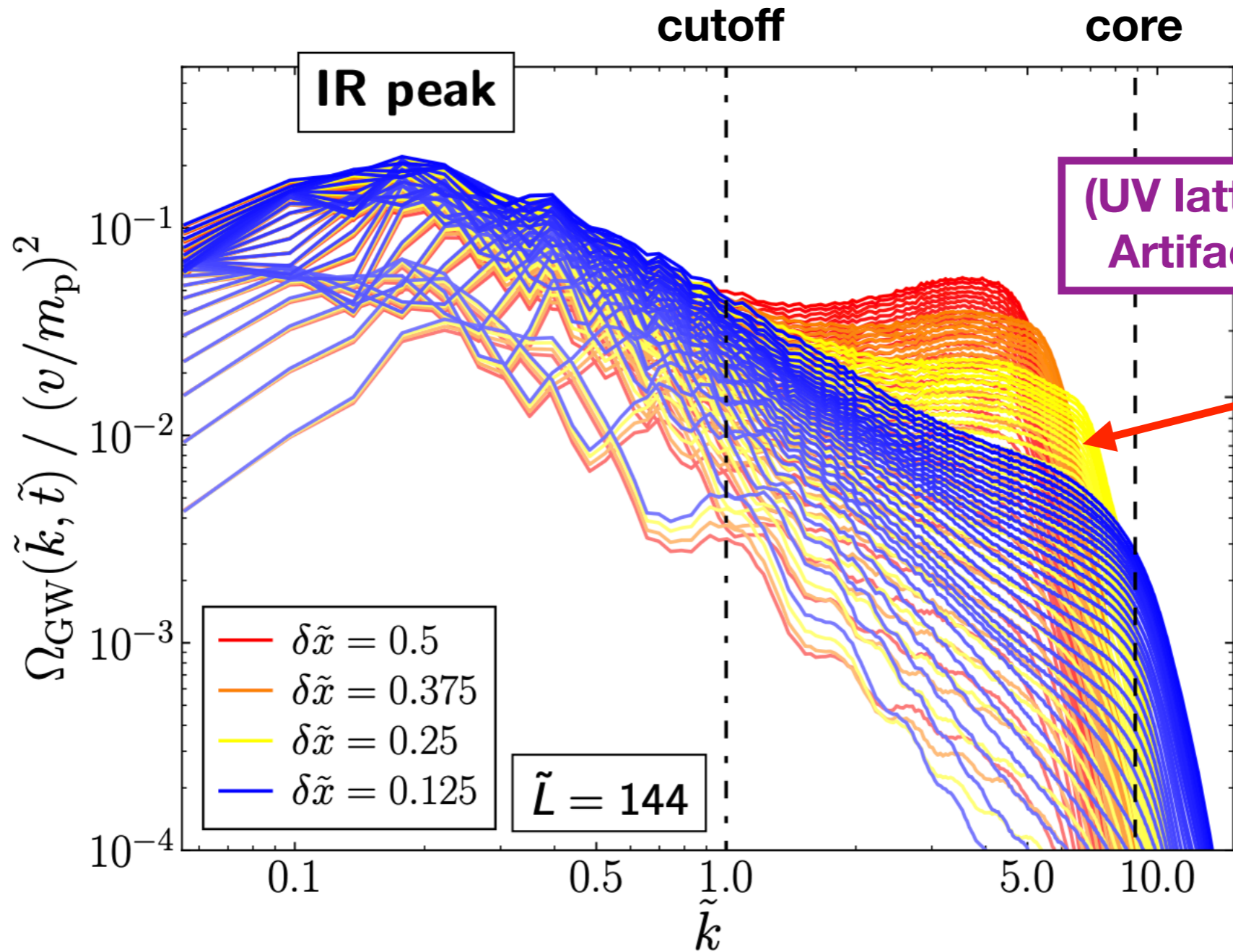
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(Artificial Loop)



Same as Before !

(UV lattice Artifact)

No GW emission from the core !

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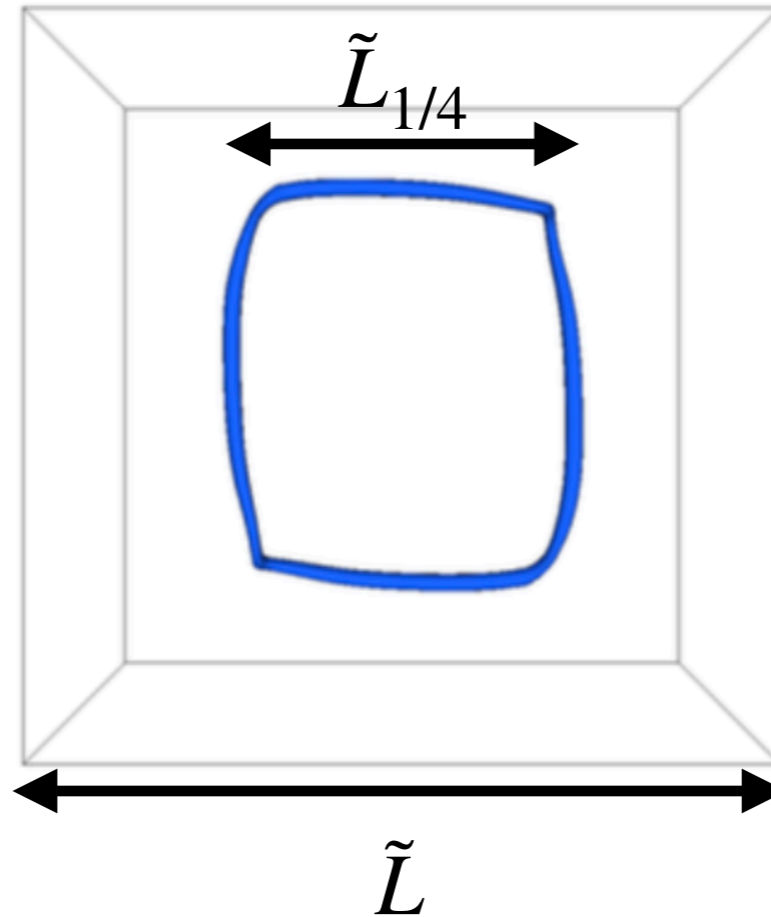
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(Artificial  
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IR effects



$$\tilde{L} / \tilde{L}_{1/4} = 2, 3, 4, \dots, 8$$



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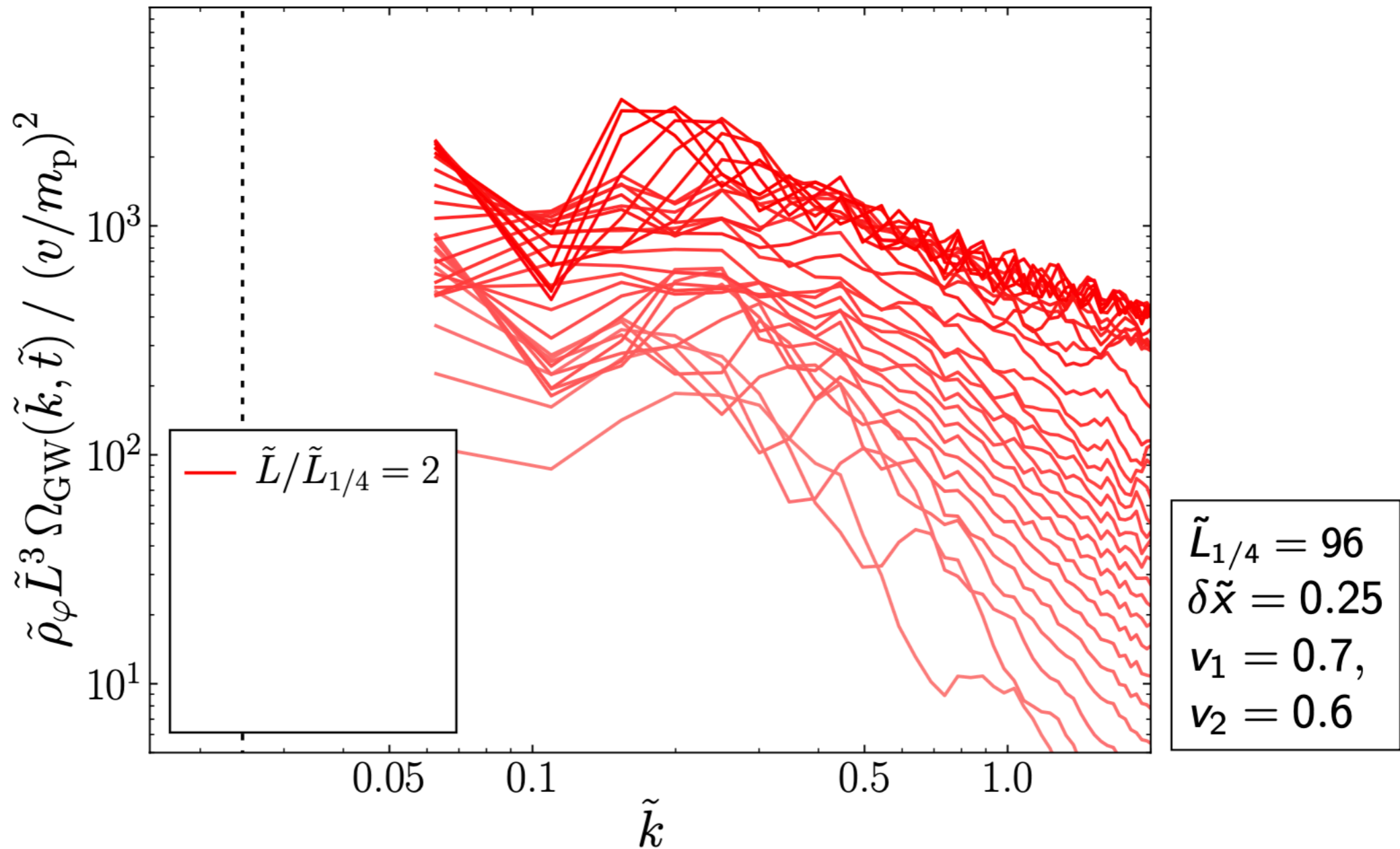
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(Artificial  
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Loop length  
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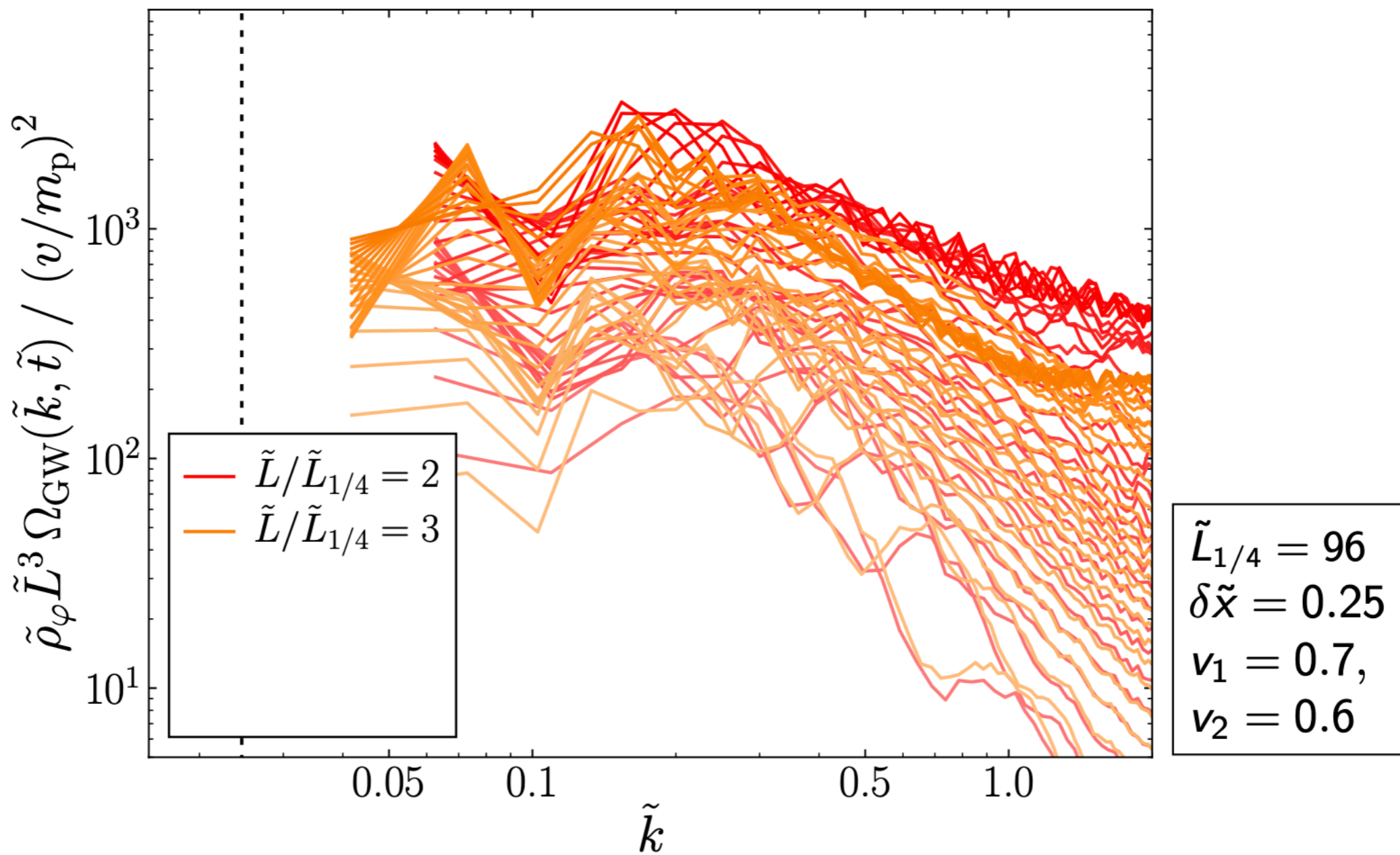
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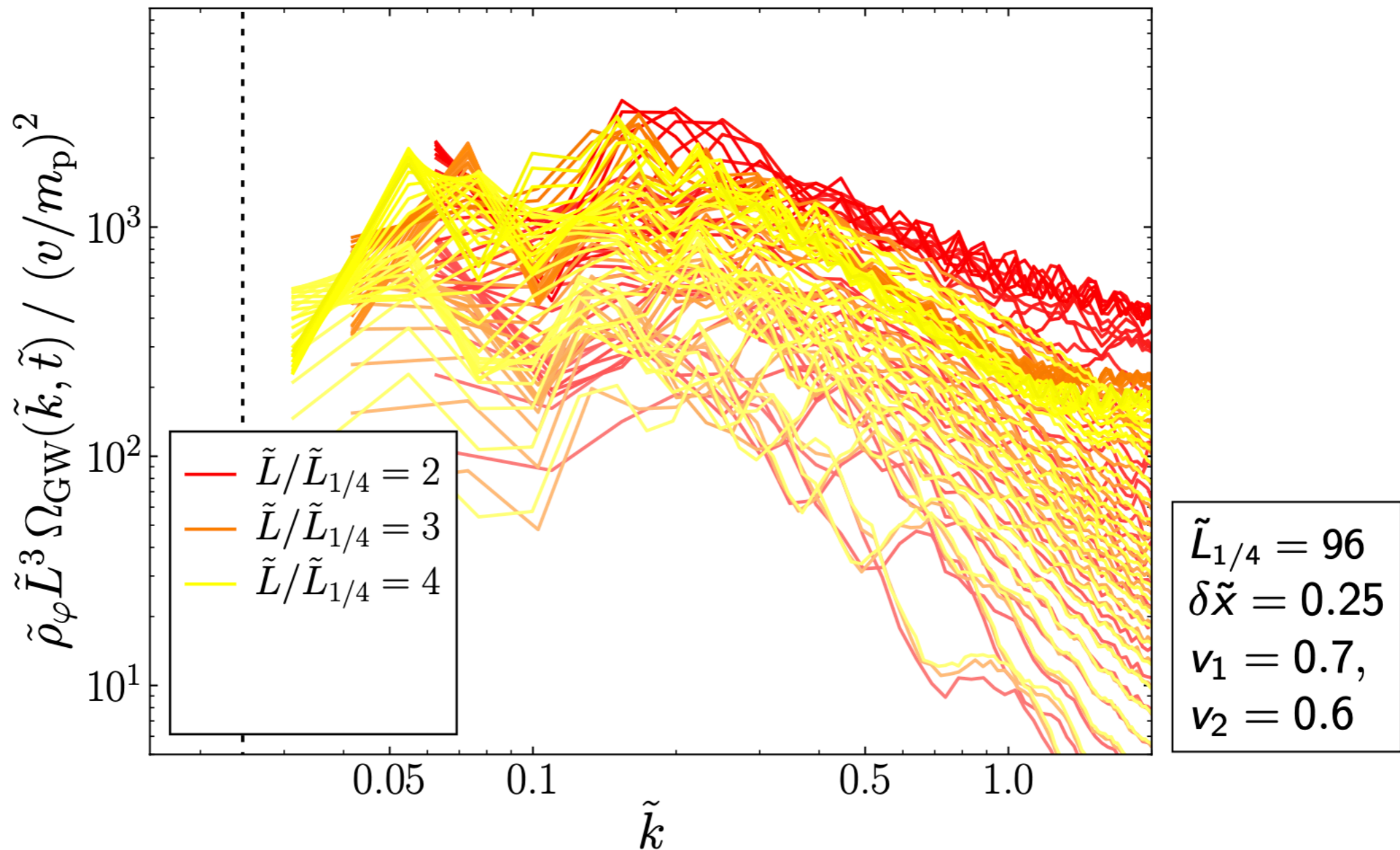
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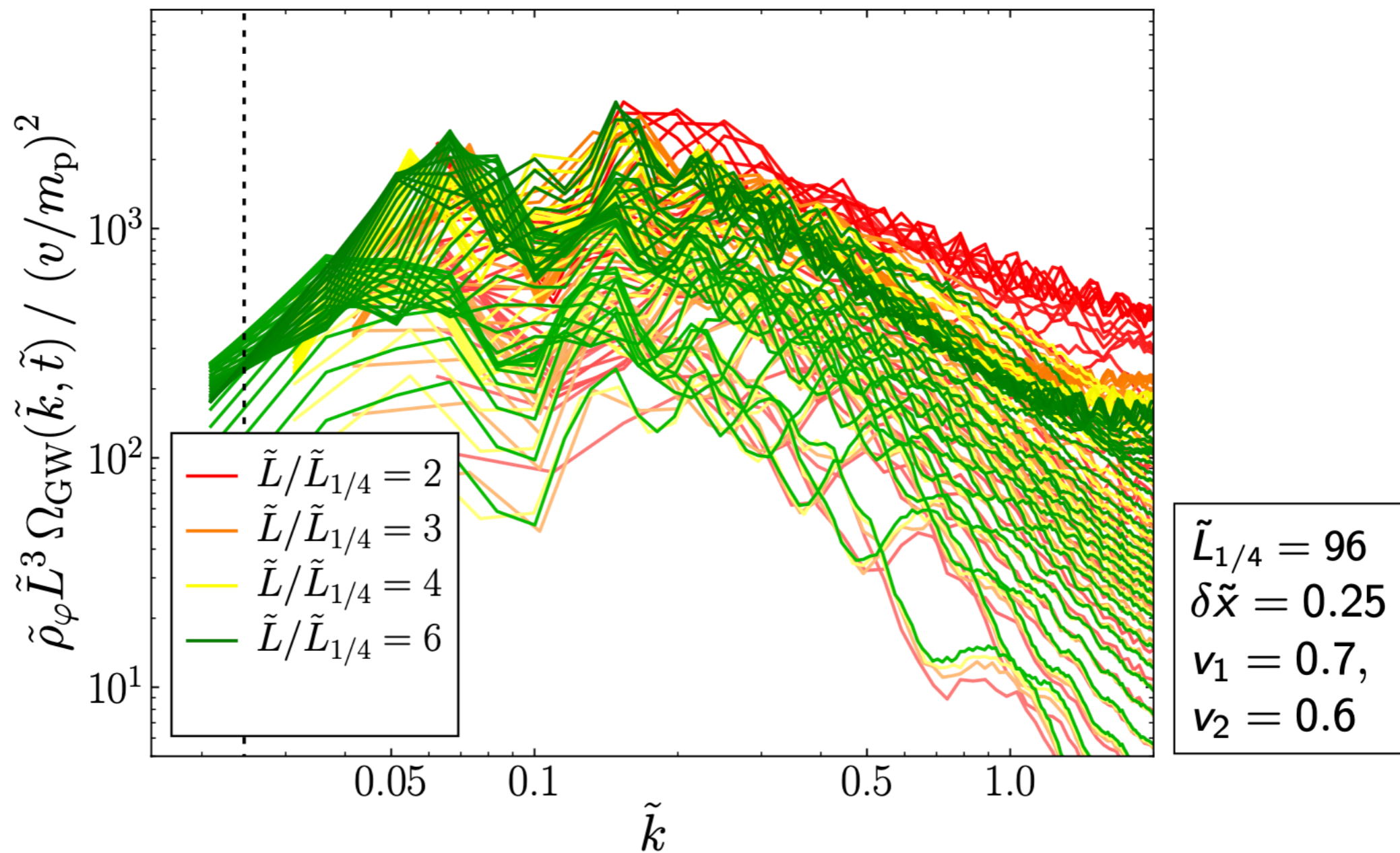
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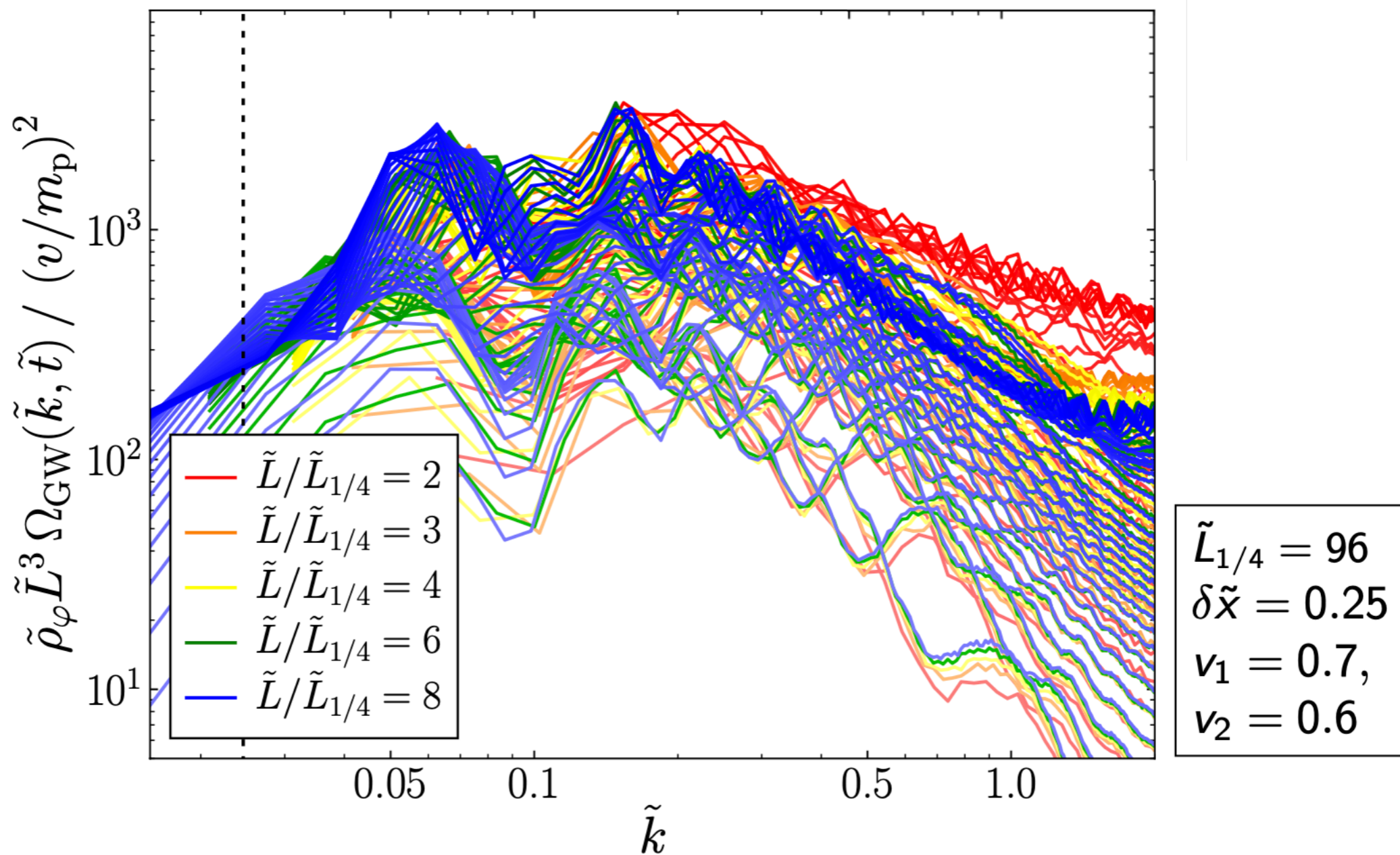
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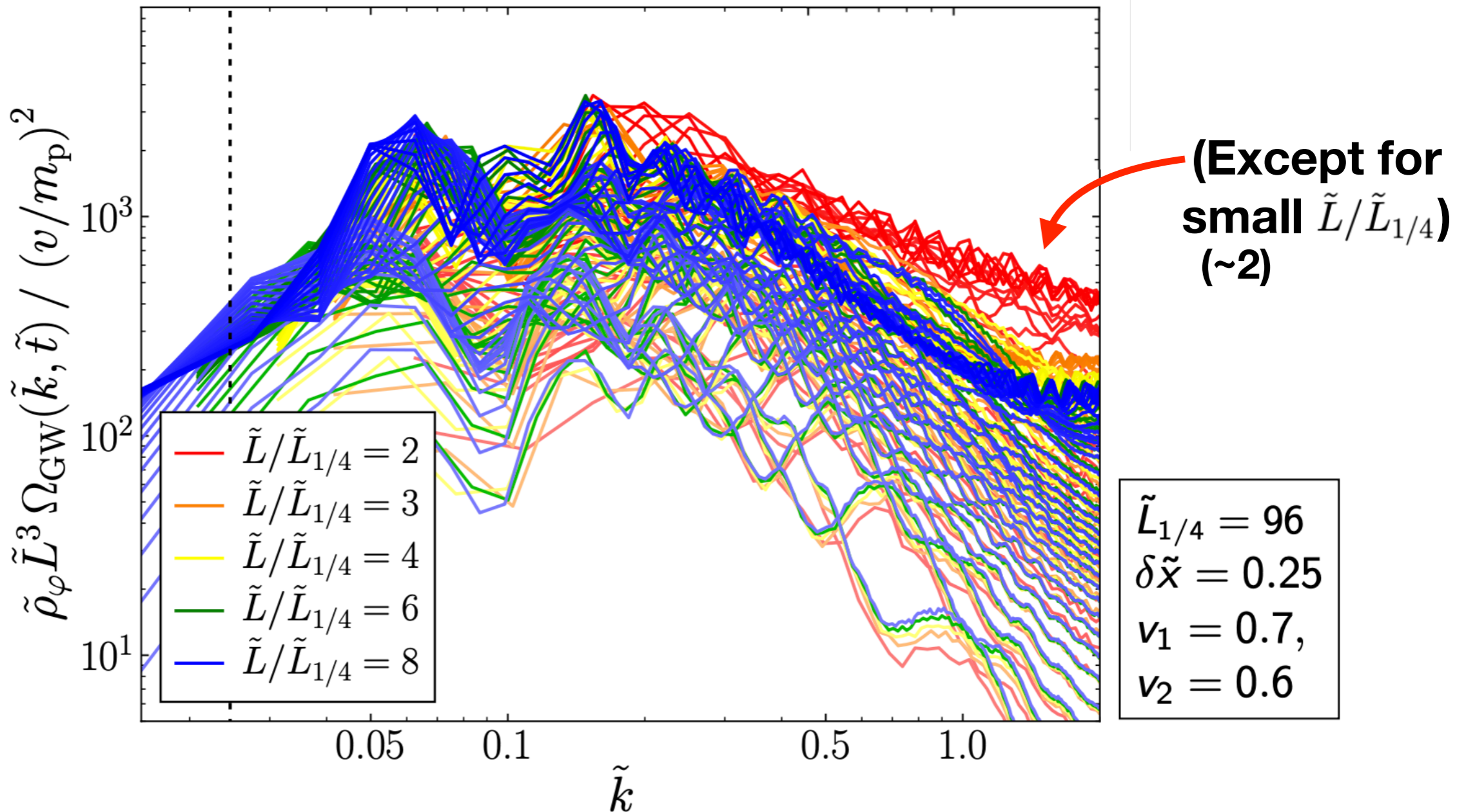
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Loop length scale

IR effects  $\rightarrow$  Negligible !



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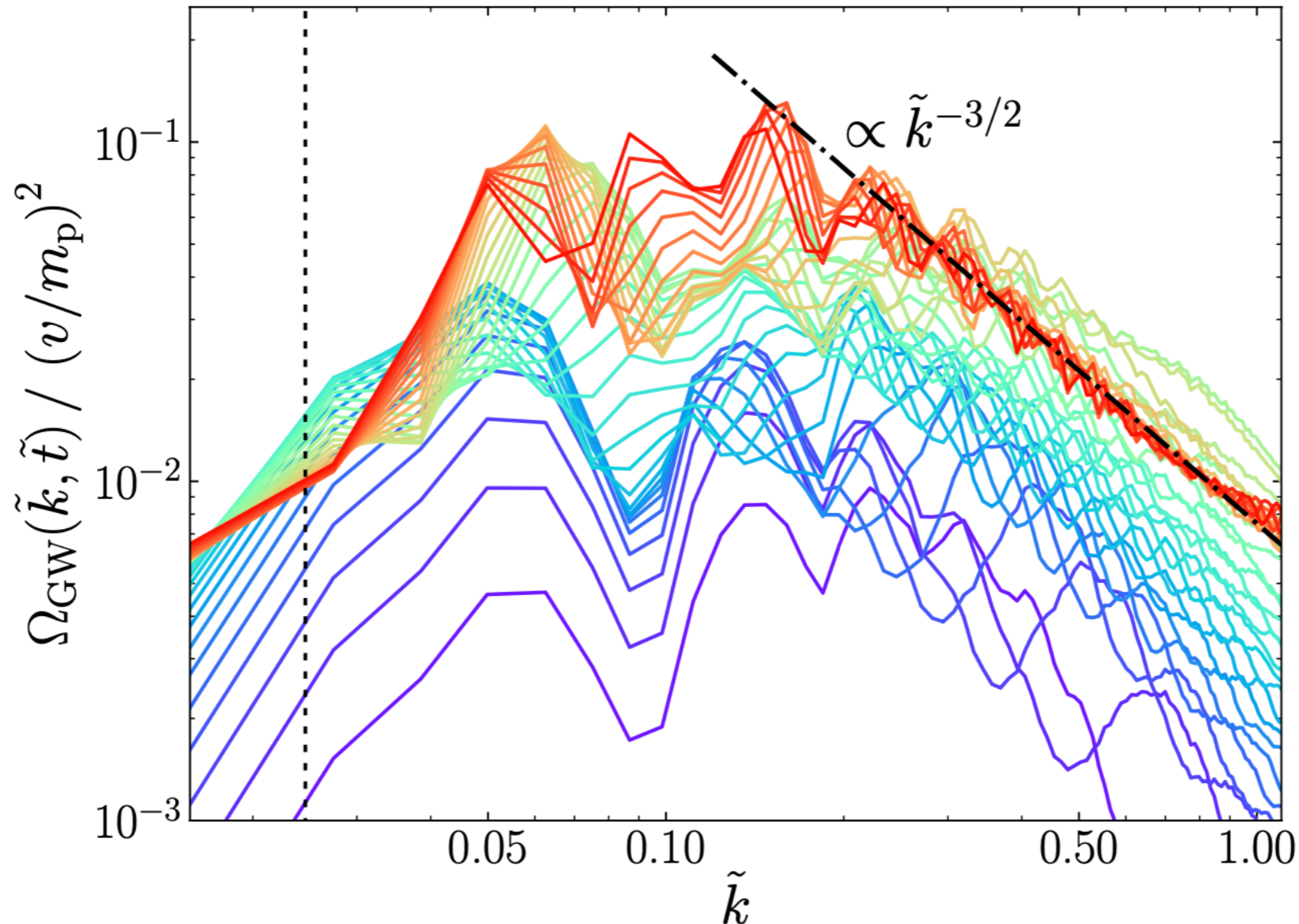
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Best example



$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{L}_{1/4} &= 96 \\ \delta\tilde{x} &= 0.25 \\ v_1 &= 0.7, \\ v_2 &= 0.6 \end{aligned}$$

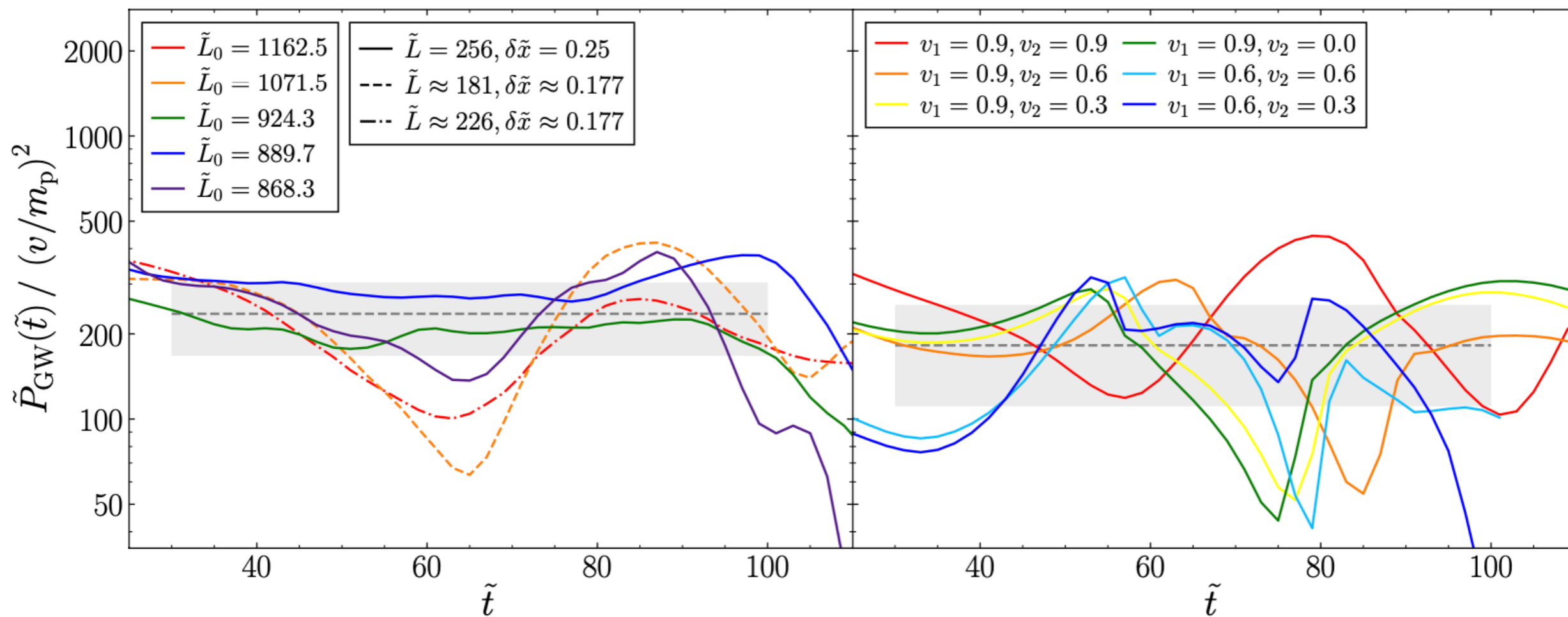
# String Loop Dynamics + GW emission

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**Network**

**Artificial**





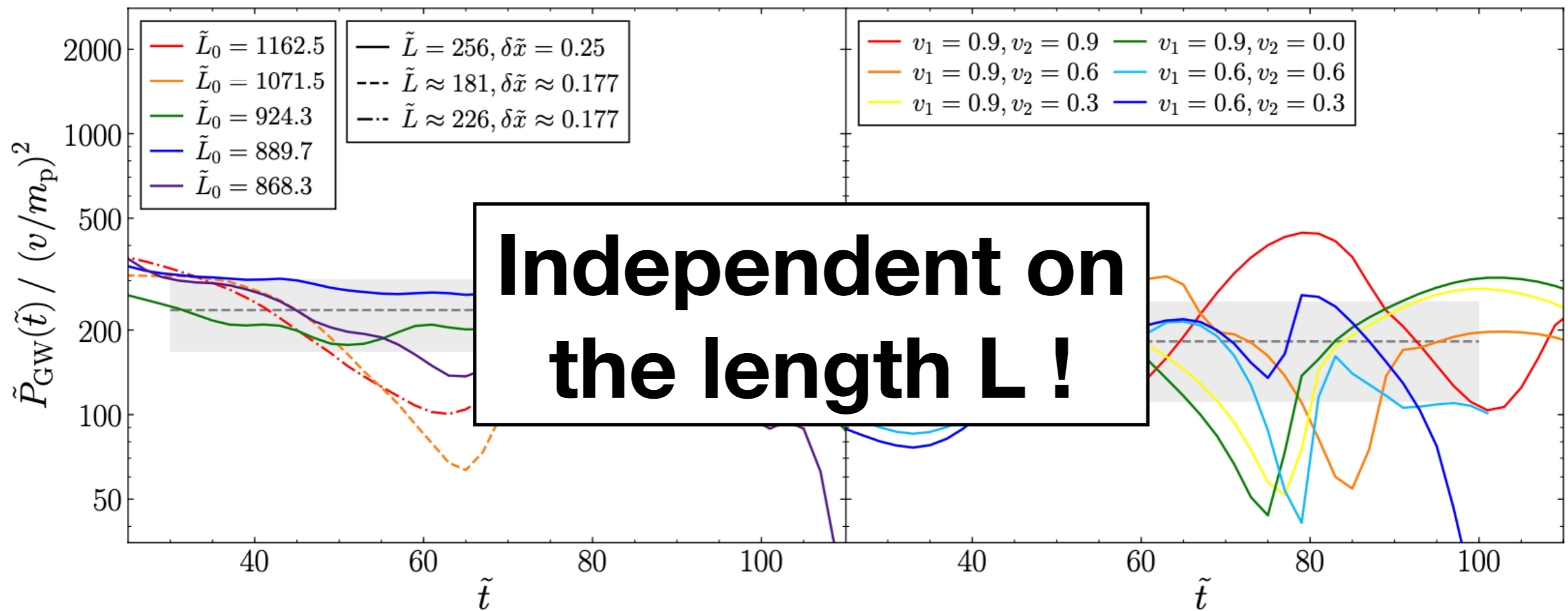
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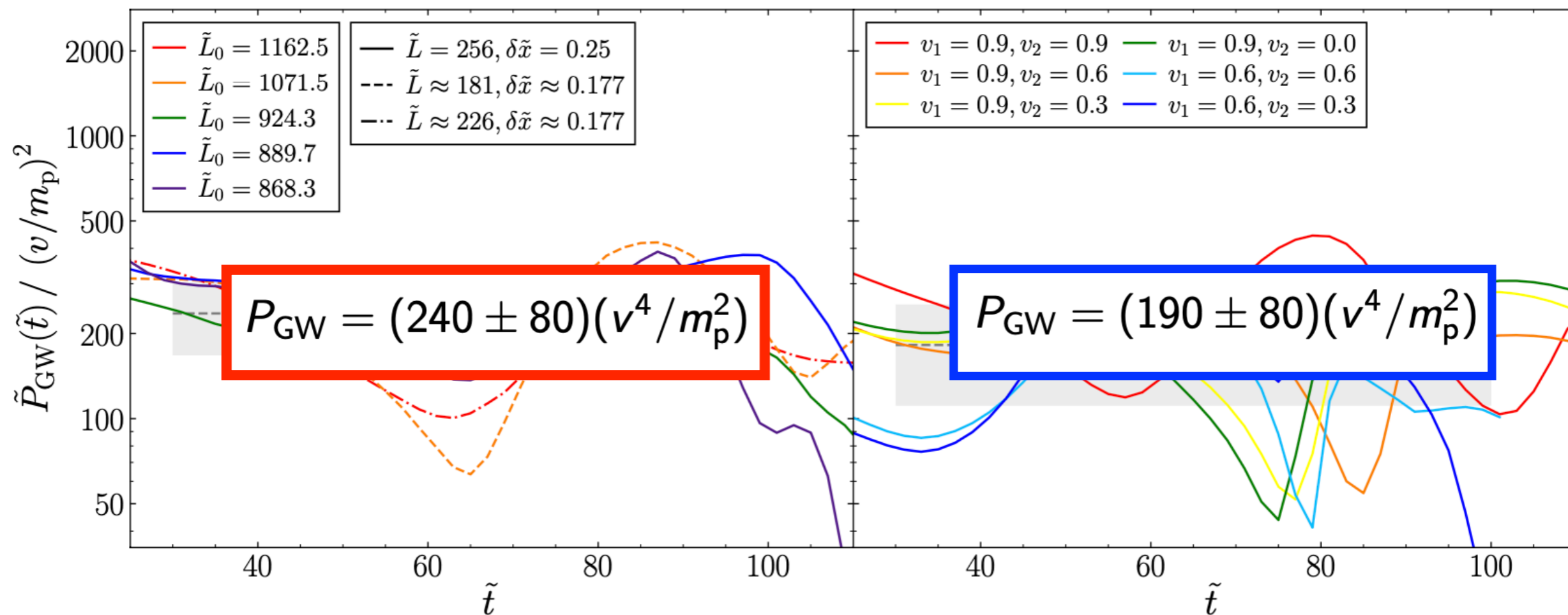
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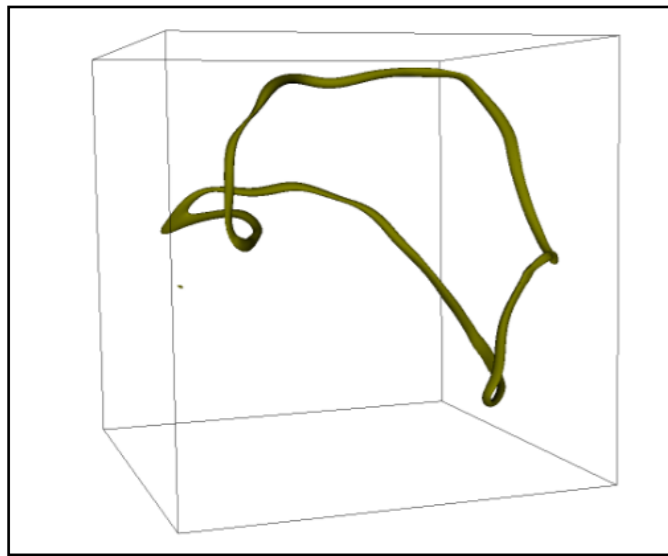
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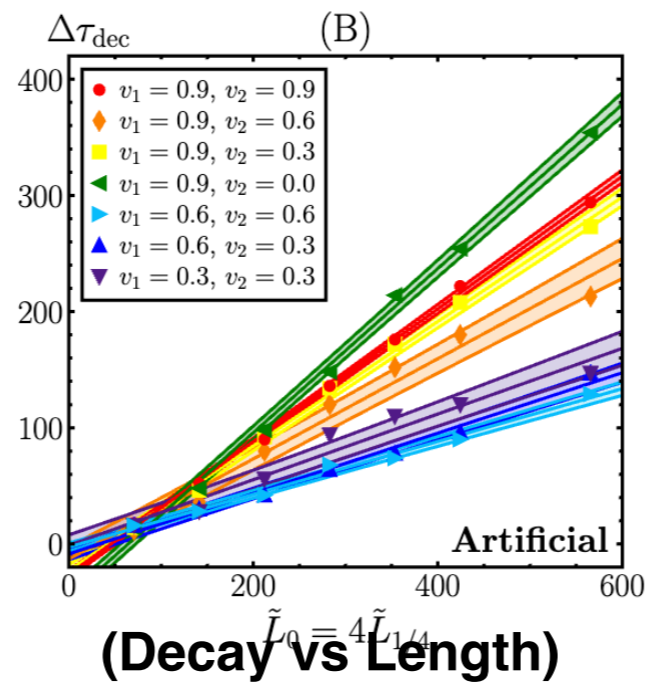


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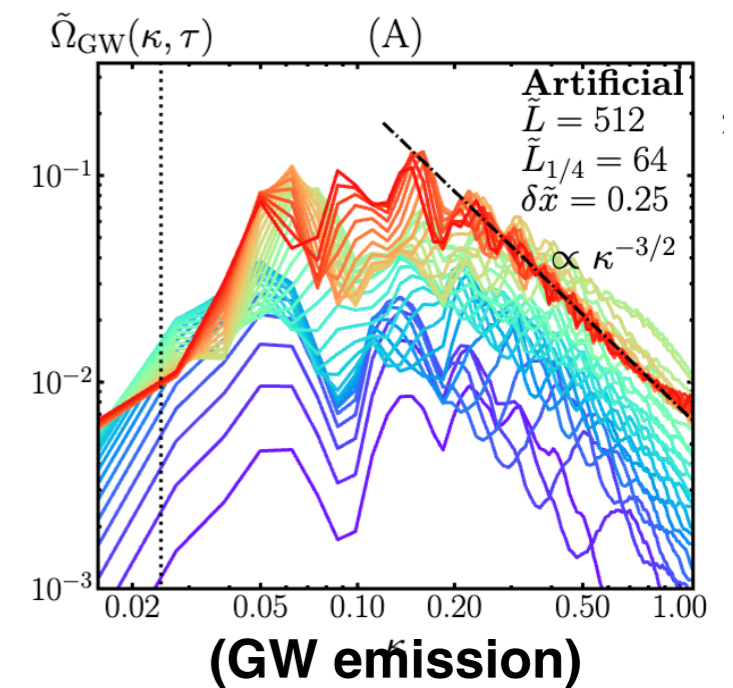
## GW Power Emitted



(Loops isolated)



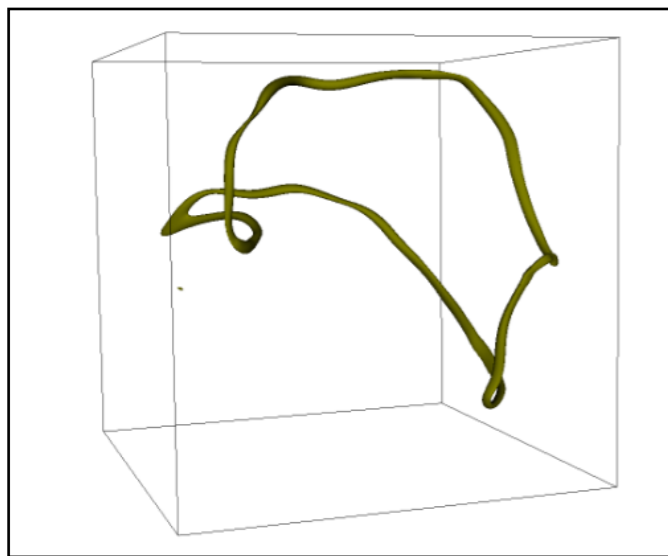
(Decay vs Length)



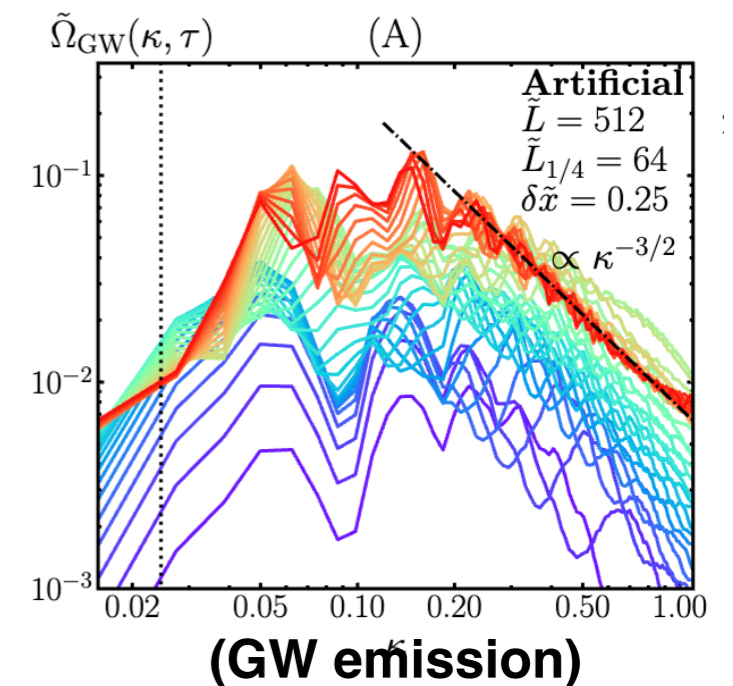
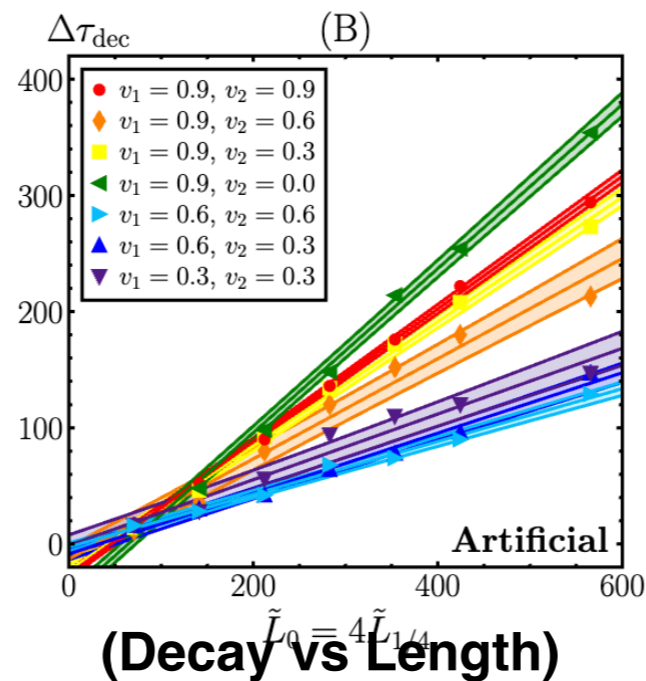
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## GW Power Emitted



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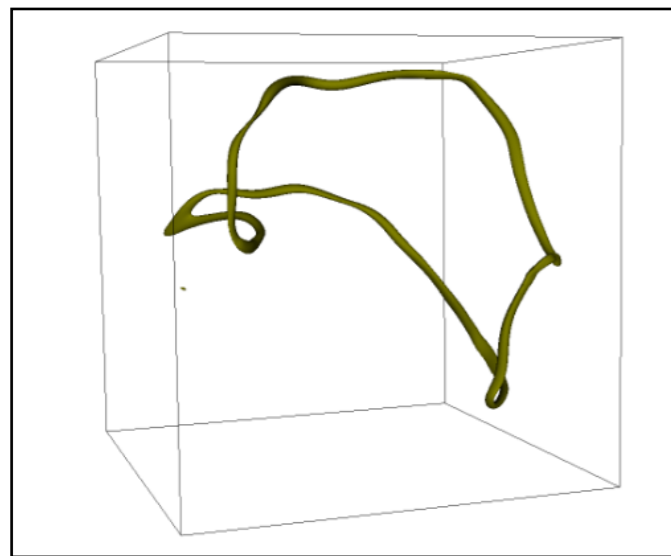
Baeza-Ballesteros et al, 2023  
**(Global Strings)**  
 [  $L/w \simeq 80 - 1700$  ]

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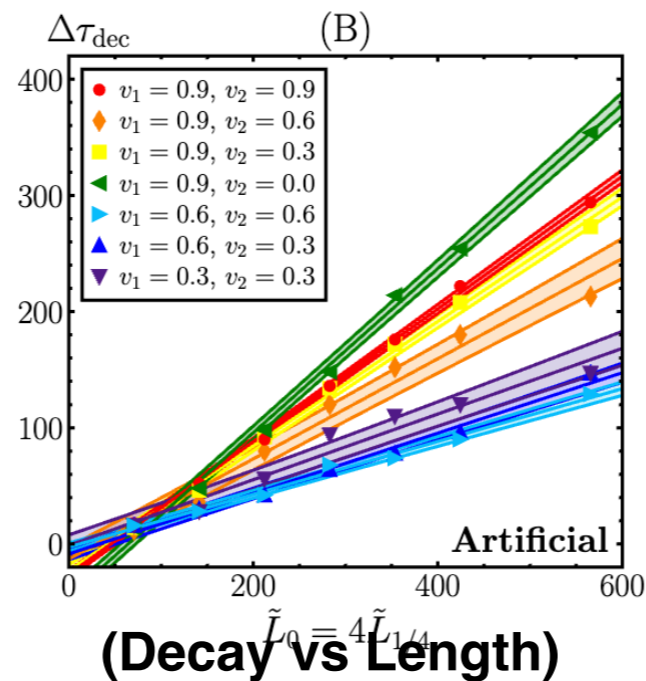
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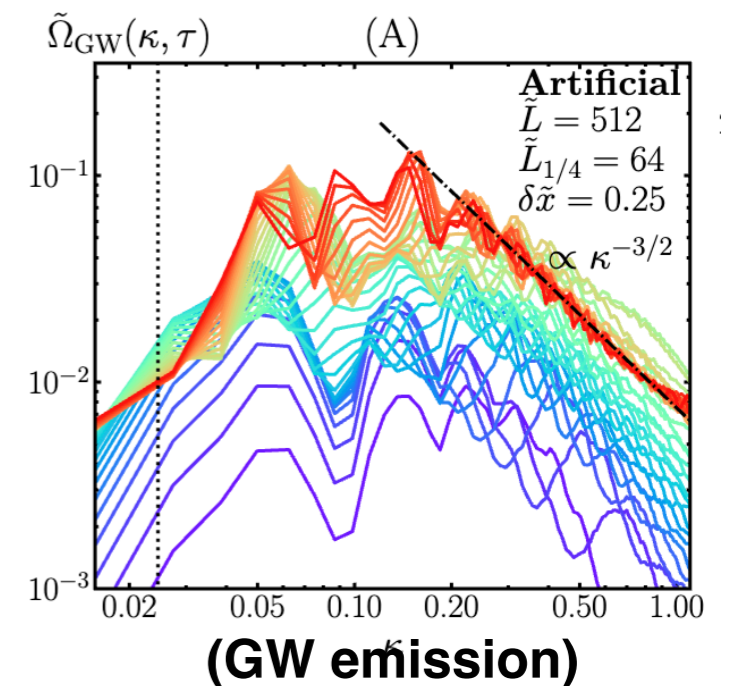
## GW Power Emitted



(Loops isolated)



(Decay vs Length)



(GW emission)

Baeza-Ballesteros et al, 2023  
**(Global Strings)**  
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Implications for  
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**Almost ...  
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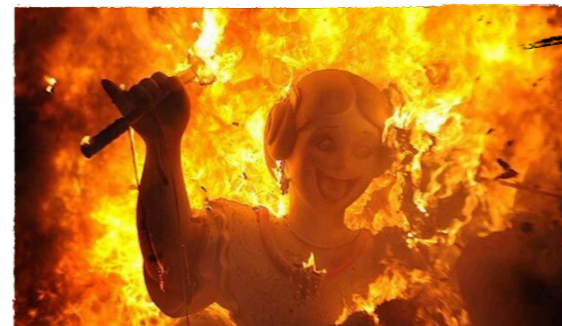
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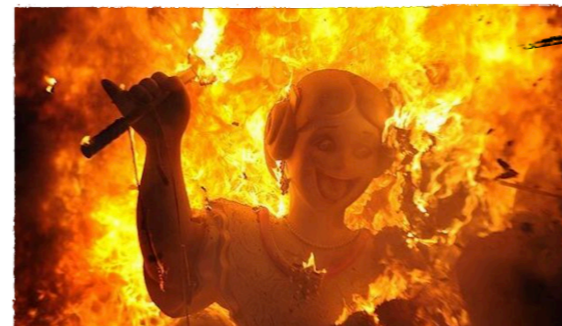


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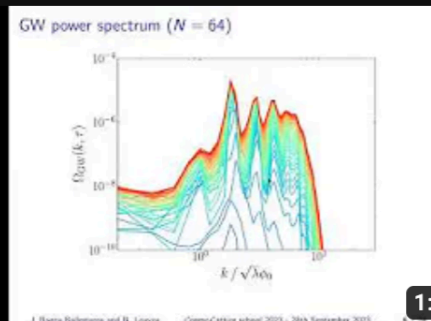


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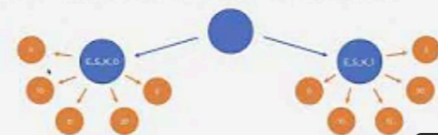
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CosmoLattice School 2023, Day 4: Practice 3 (Simulating Gravitational Waves)

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Structure of HDF5 files in CosmoLattice

HDF5 files are structured in Groups and Datasets.  
Example: The kinetic\_energy\_snapshot\_scalar.h5 file of a simulation with two real scalar fields is structured as follows



54:28

CosmoLattice School 2023, Day 4: Lecture 8 (Plotting Features of CosmoLattice)

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Handwritten notes on SU(2) gauge fields, including equations for the gauge field, the covariant derivative, and the field strength tensor.

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CosmoLattice School 2023, Day 3: Lecture 7 [SU(2) Scalar-Gauge Theory Lattice...

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Evolution of GWs modes  
non-local operations are computationally expensive!

Solution: we define a set of unphysical tensor modes  $u$ 's

1) Evolve equation of motion of  $u$ 's

$$\ddot{u}_i + 3H\dot{u}_i - \frac{\nabla^2}{a^2}u_i = \frac{2}{m^2 a^2}\Pi_{ij}$$

2) When needed, (compute power spectrum energy density) we apply transformation

$$h_{ij}(k, t) = \Lambda_{ijkl}(k)u_{kl}(k, t)$$

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CosmoLattice School 2023, Day 3: Lecture 6 (Creation and Propagation of Grav. Waves)

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**Axion Inflation**

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**L.Sorbo et al  
2006-2012**

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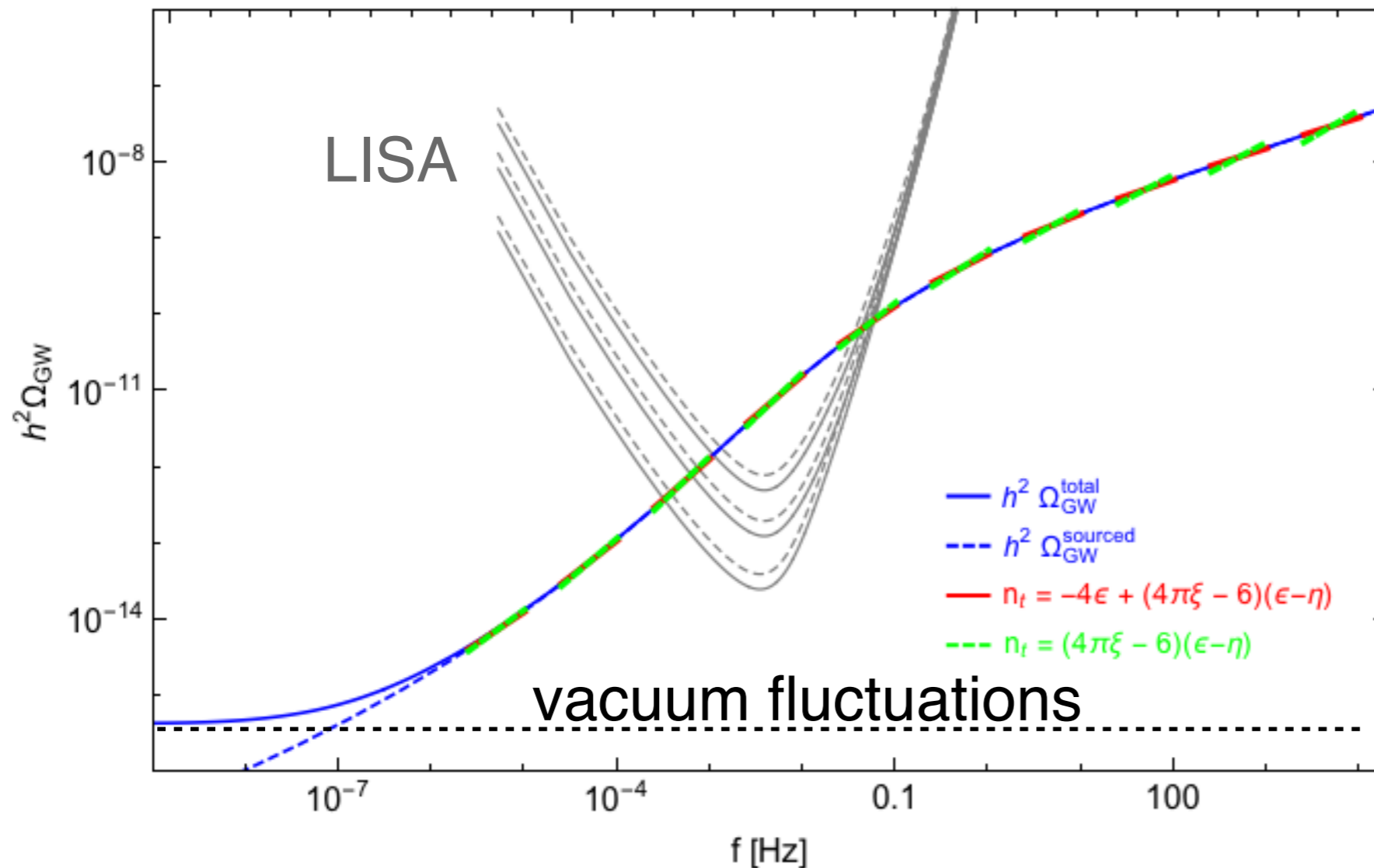
$$h''_{ij} + 2\mathcal{H}h'_{ij} - \nabla^2 h_{ij} = 16\pi G \Pi_{ij}^{TT} \propto \{E_i E_j + B_i B_j\}^{TT}$$

well calculated ?

# INFLATIONARY MODELS

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GW energy spectrum today

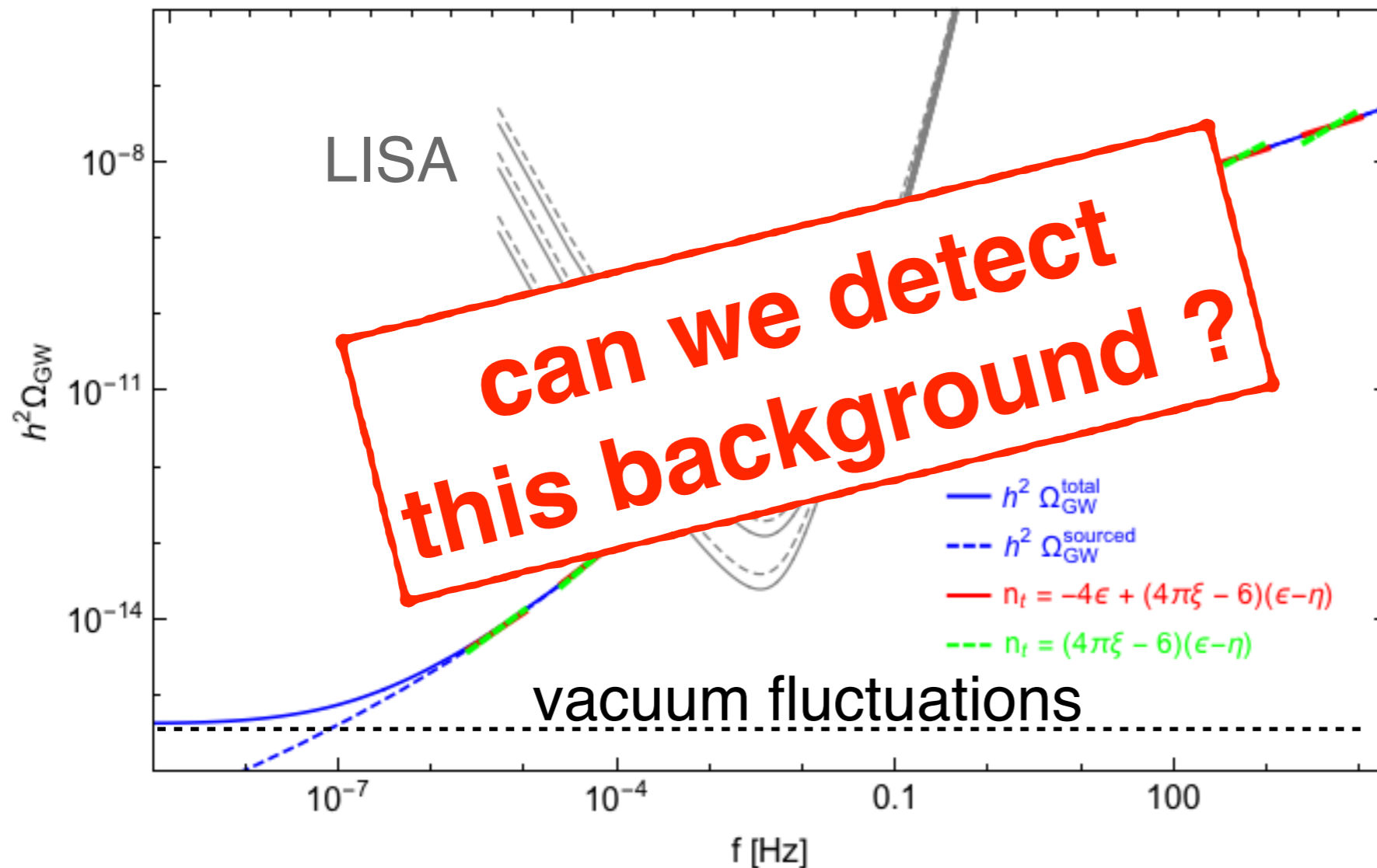


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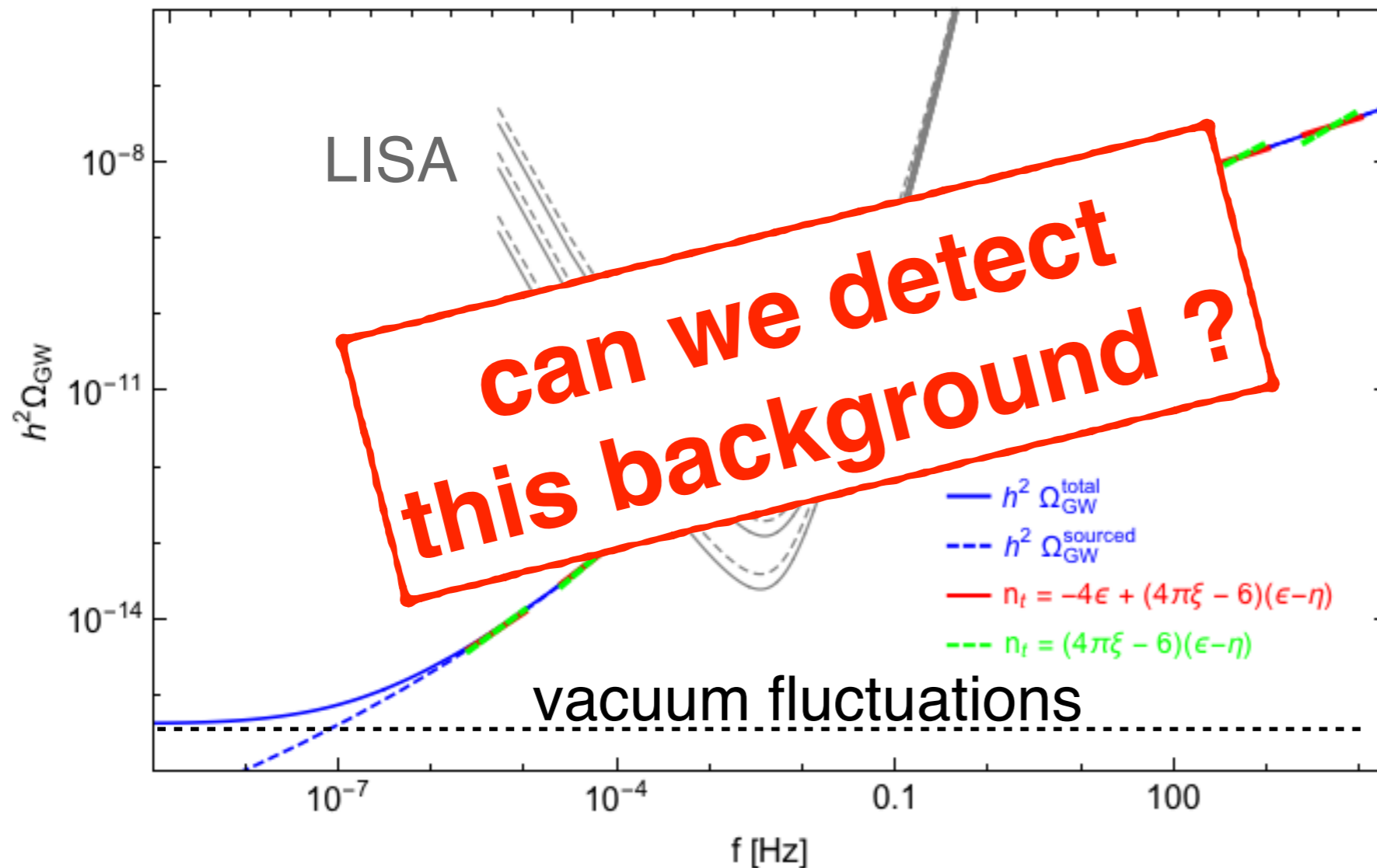


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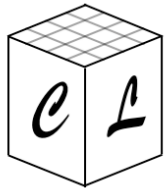
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As  $A_+ \propto e^{\phi}$ , GWs very sensitive to choice of  $V(\phi)$  and calculation details

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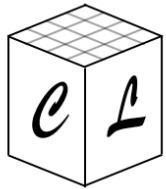
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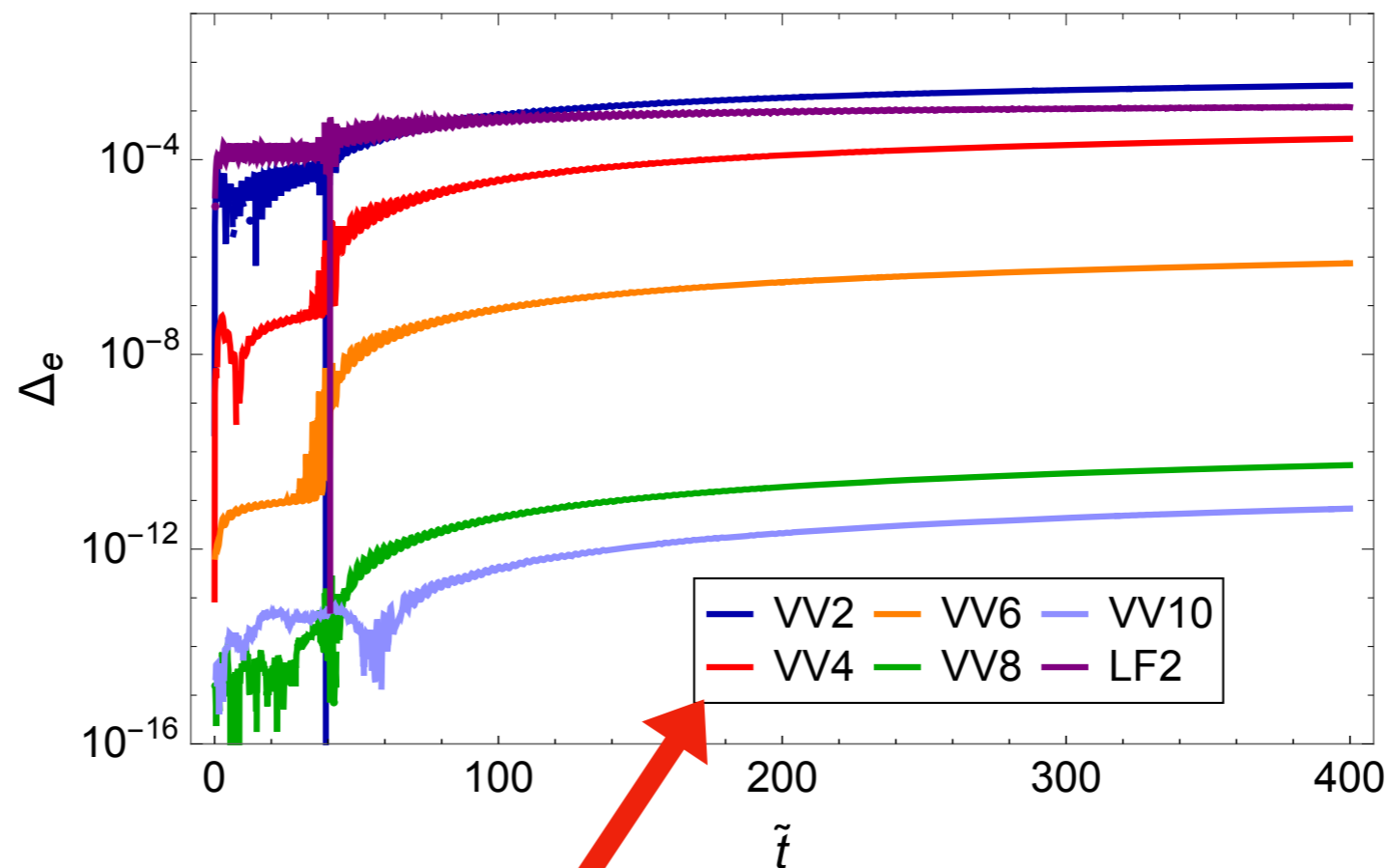
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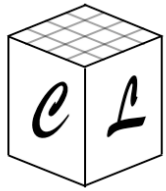
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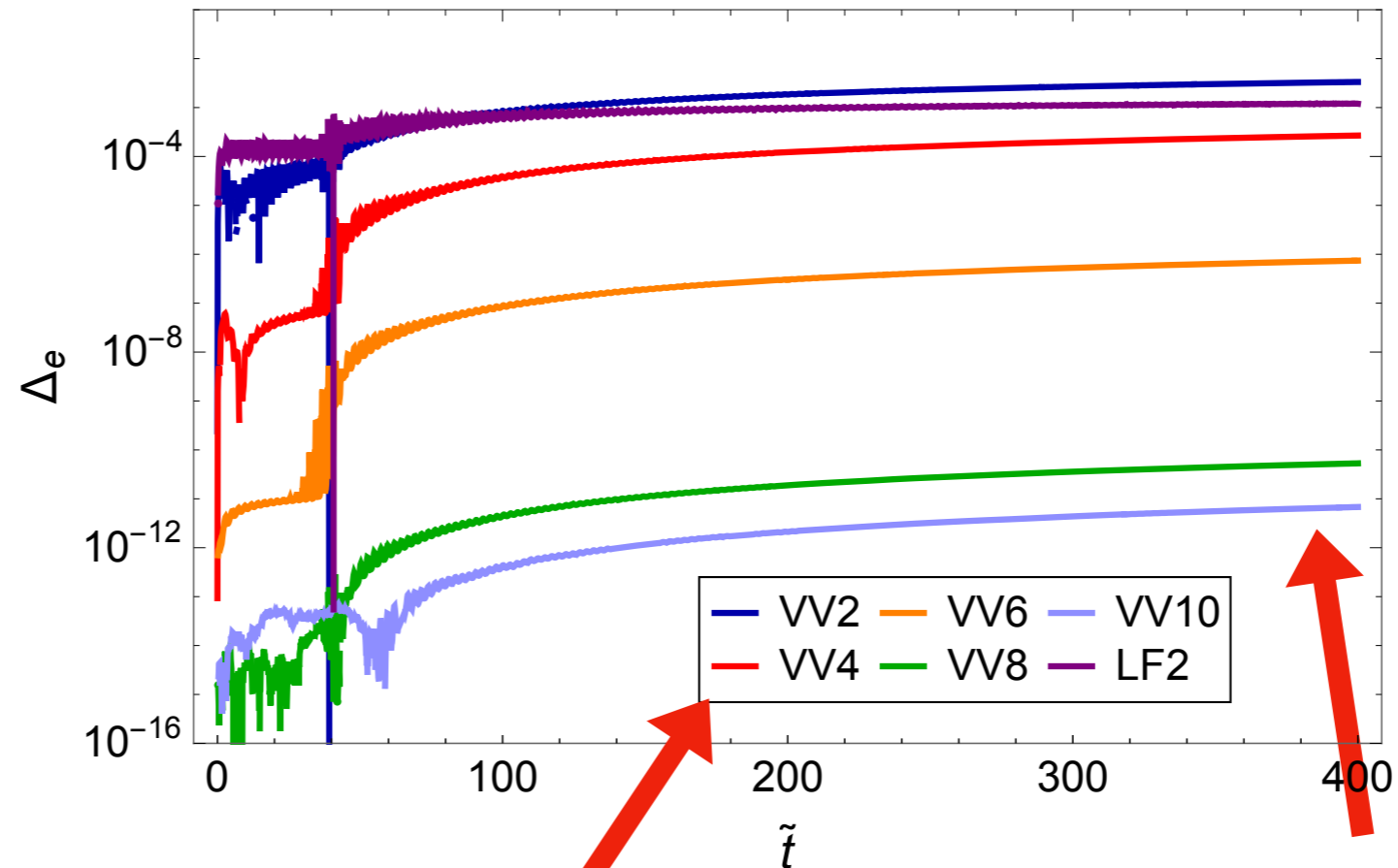
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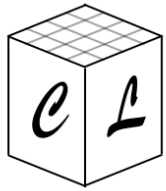


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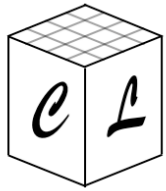
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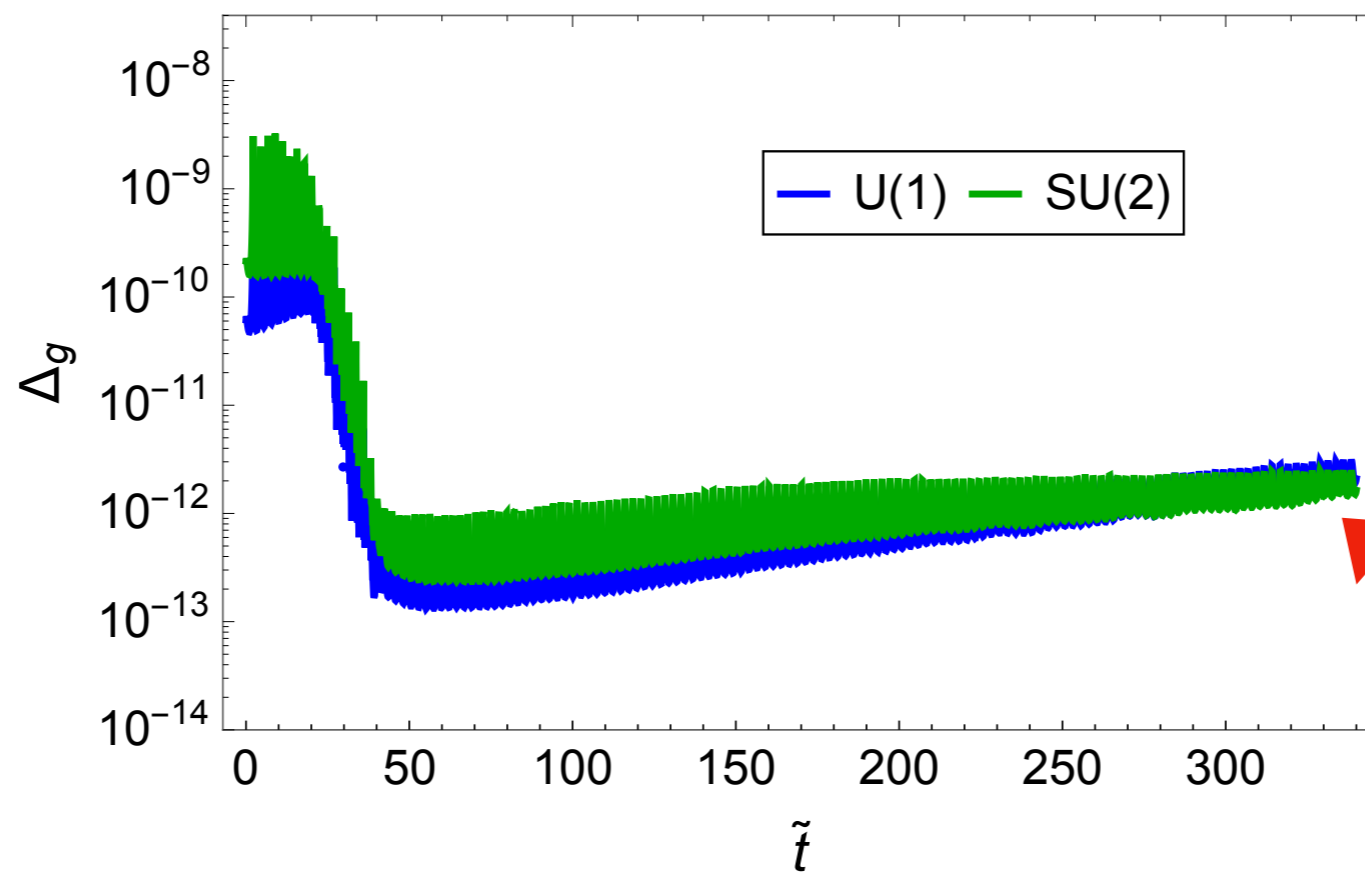
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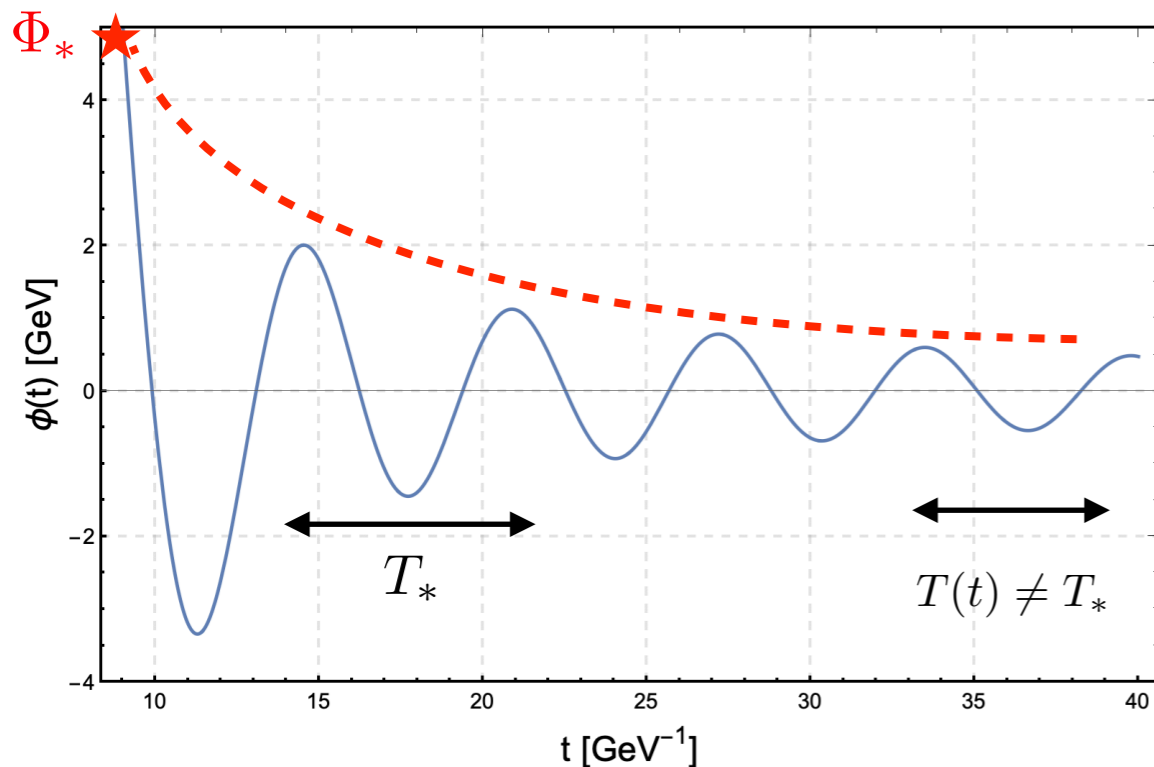
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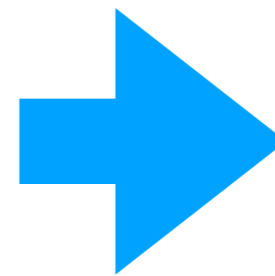
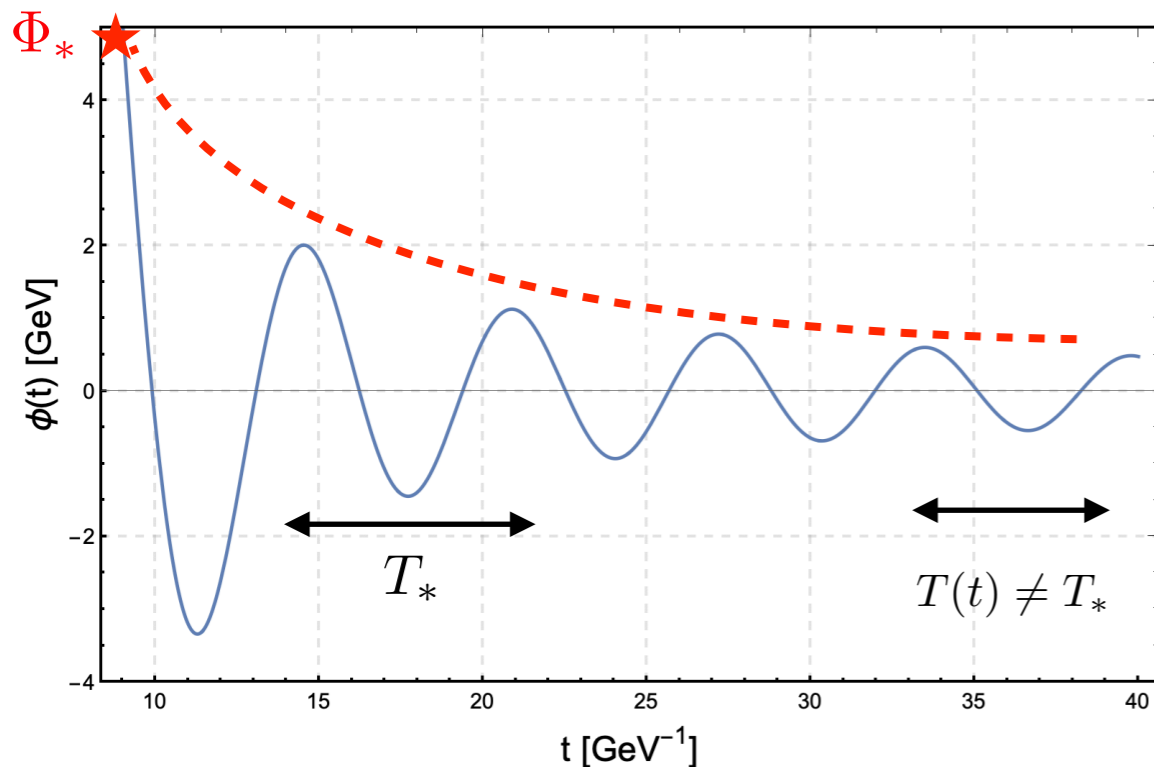
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$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} f_* &= \Phi_* \\ \omega_* &= 1/T_* \\ \alpha &\longrightarrow \text{Make period constant in } \tilde{\eta} \end{aligned} \right.$$



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- Parameters passed via **one file** (input.txt)  
**(no need to re-compile !)**



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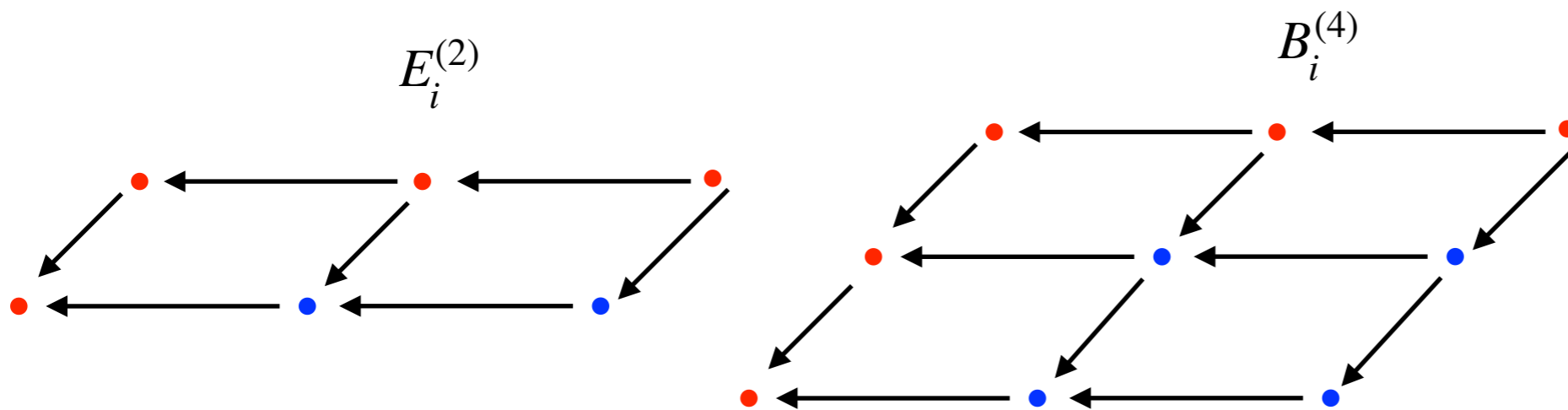
1 #Output
2 outputfile = ./
3
4 #Evolution
5 expansion = true
6 evolver = VV2
7
8 #Lattice
9 N = 32
10 dt = 0.01
11 KIR = 0.75
12 nBinsSpectra = 55
13
14 #Times
15 tOutputFreq = 0.1
16 tOutputInfreq = 1
17 tMax = 300
18
19 #IC
20 kCutOff = 1.75
21 initial_amplitudes = 7.42675e18 0 # homogeneous amplitudes in GeV
22 initial_momenta = -6.2969e30 0 # homogeneous amplitudes in GeV2
23
24 #Model Parameters
25 lambda = 9e-14
26 q = 100
    
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# **Axion-inflation extra stuff**

# Axion-Inflation

**PROBLEM:** PNG, GW and PBH  $\longrightarrow$  Analytical approximations !

Let's "latticeize" the system of EOM !



Lattice gauge techniques

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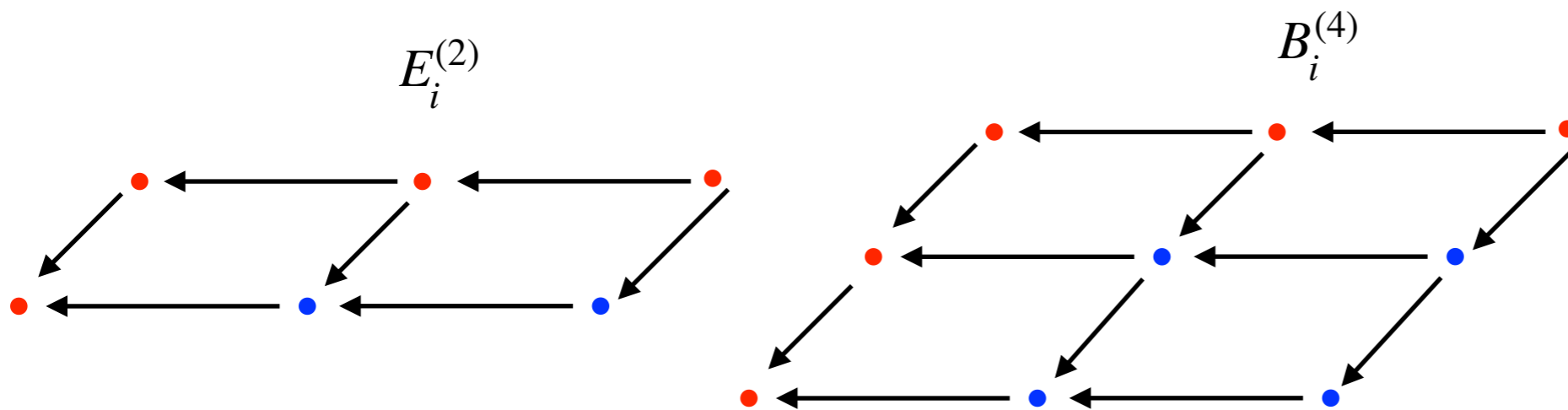
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1. Lattice Gauge Inv:  $A_\mu \longrightarrow A_\mu + \Delta_\mu^+ \alpha$
2. Cont. Limit to  $\mathcal{O}(dx^2)$
3. Lattice Bianchi Identities:  $\Delta_i^- (B_i^{(4)} + B_{i,+\hat{0}}^{(4)}) = 0, \dots$
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**Exact Shift Sym. on the lattice !**

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Expansion

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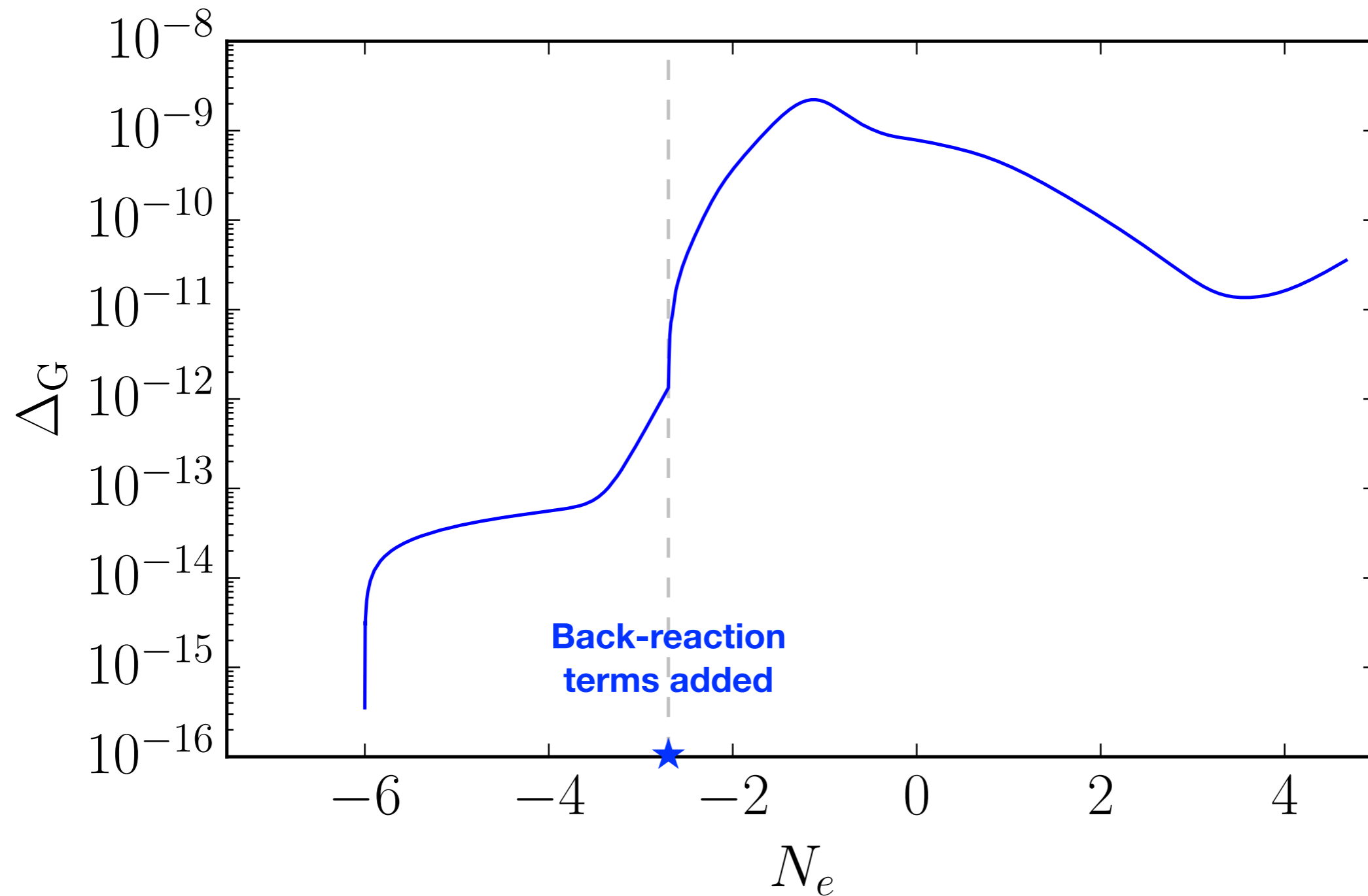
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$$\left( \begin{aligned} \bar{H}^{\text{kin}} &= \left\langle \frac{1}{N^3} \sum_{\vec{n}} \frac{\pi_\phi^2}{2} \right\rangle & \bar{H}^{\text{grad}} &= \left\langle \frac{1}{N^3} \sum_{\vec{n}} \frac{1}{2} \sum_i (\Delta_i^+ \phi_{+\hat{0}/2})^2 \right\rangle, & \bar{H}^{\text{pot}} &= \left\langle \frac{1}{N^3} \sum_{\vec{n}} \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi_{+\hat{0}/2}^2 \right\rangle \\ \bar{H}^E &= \left\langle \frac{1}{N^3} \sum_{\vec{n}} \sum_i \frac{1}{2} E_{i,+\hat{0}/2}^2 \right\rangle & \bar{H}^B &= \left\langle \frac{1}{N^3} \sum_{\vec{n}} \sum_{i,j} \frac{1}{4} (\Delta_i^+ A_j - \Delta_j^+ A_i)^2 \right\rangle \end{aligned} \right)$$

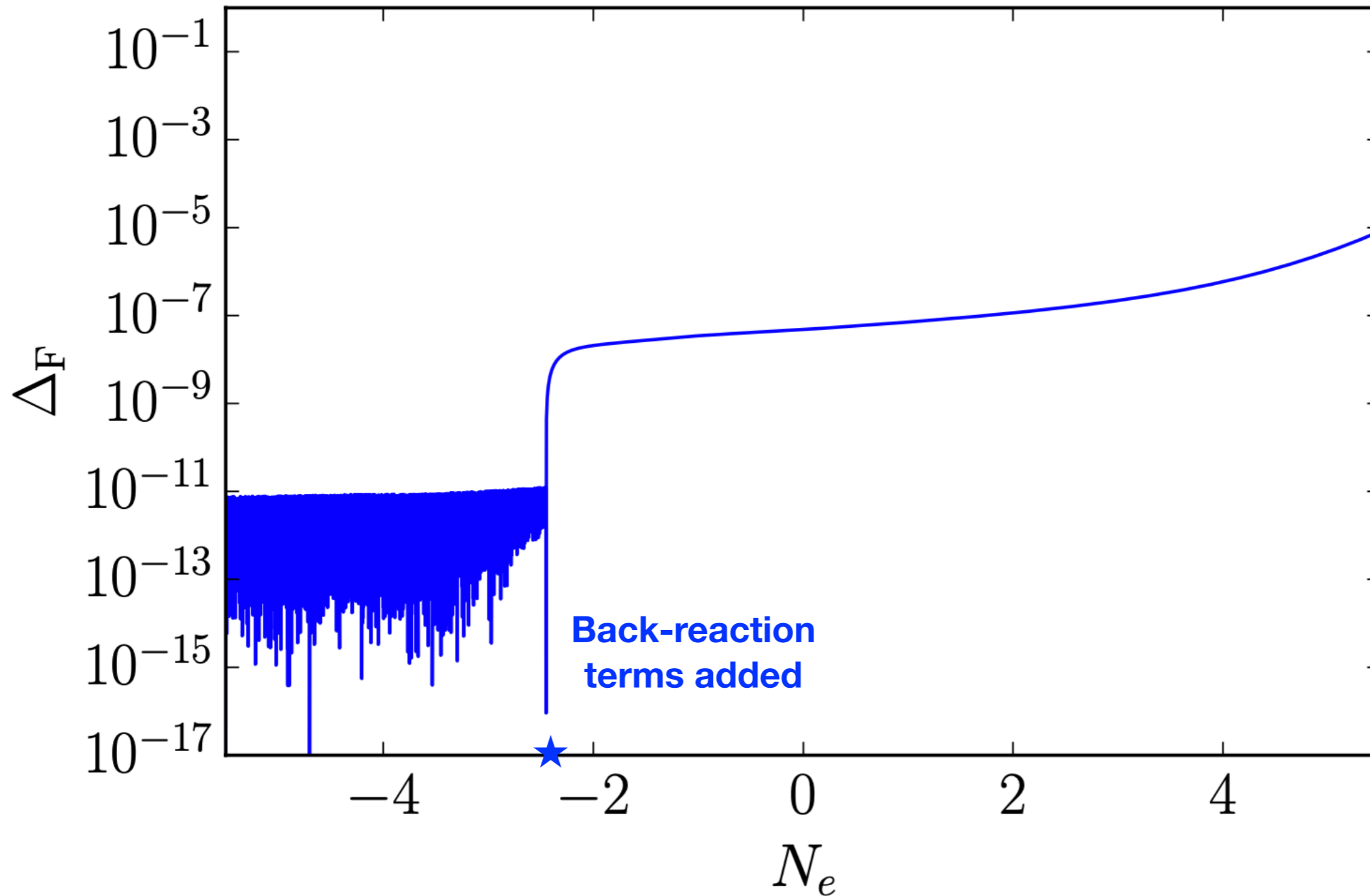
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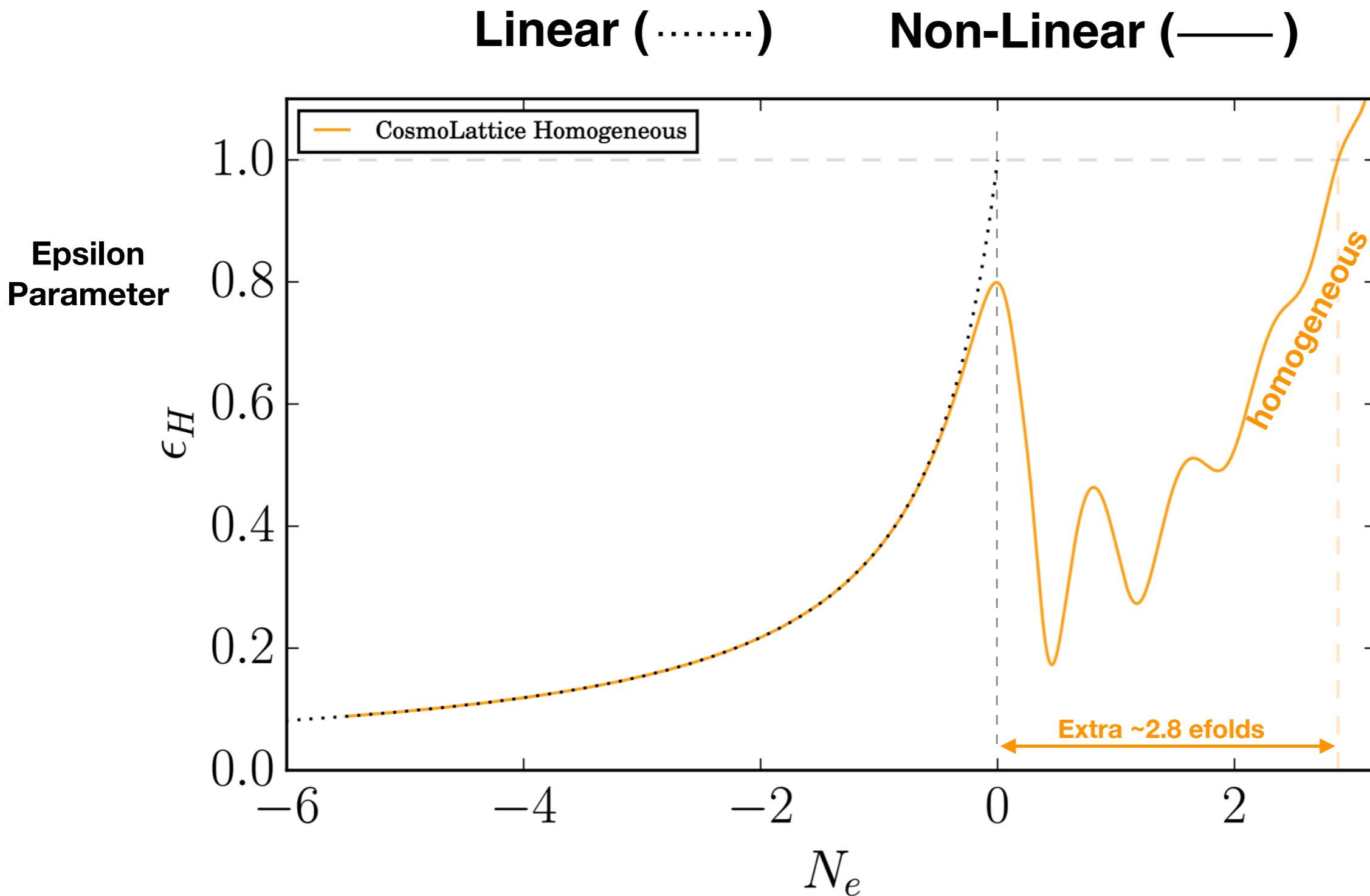
# Hubble Constraint

$$\pi_a^2 = \frac{a^2}{3m_{pl}^2} (K_\phi + G_\phi + V + K_A + G_A) \quad ; \quad \pi_a \equiv \dot{a}$$



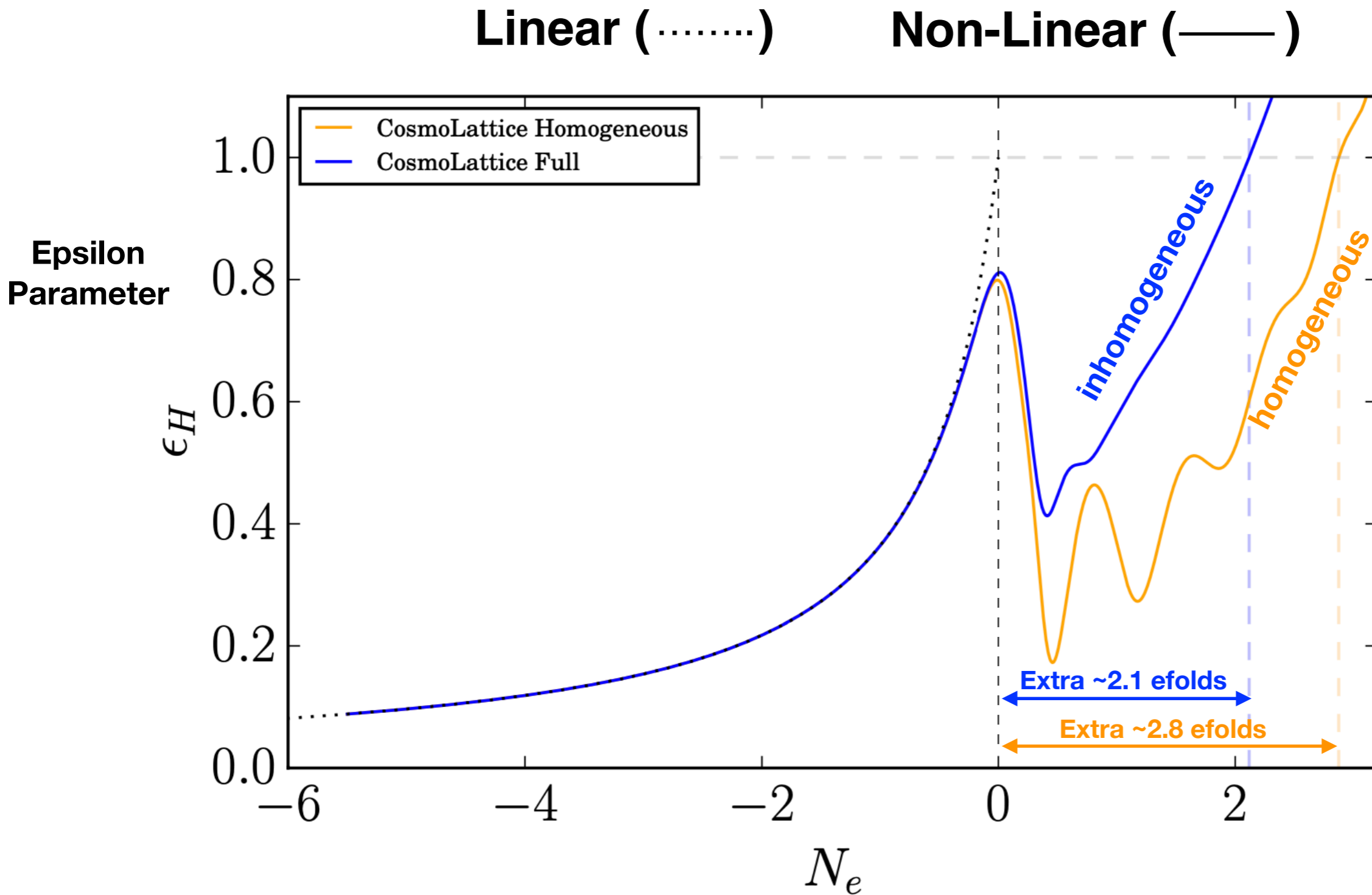
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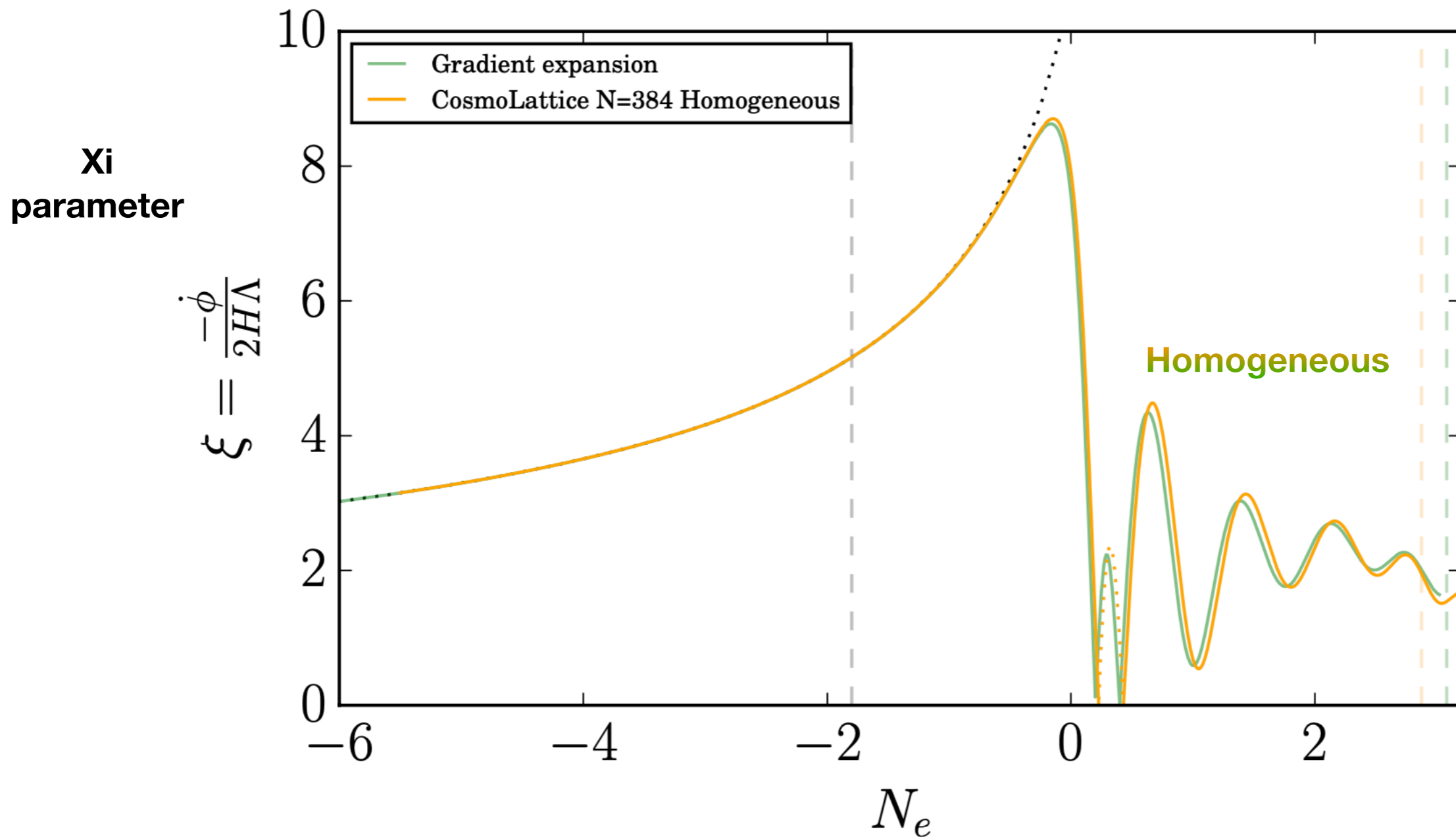


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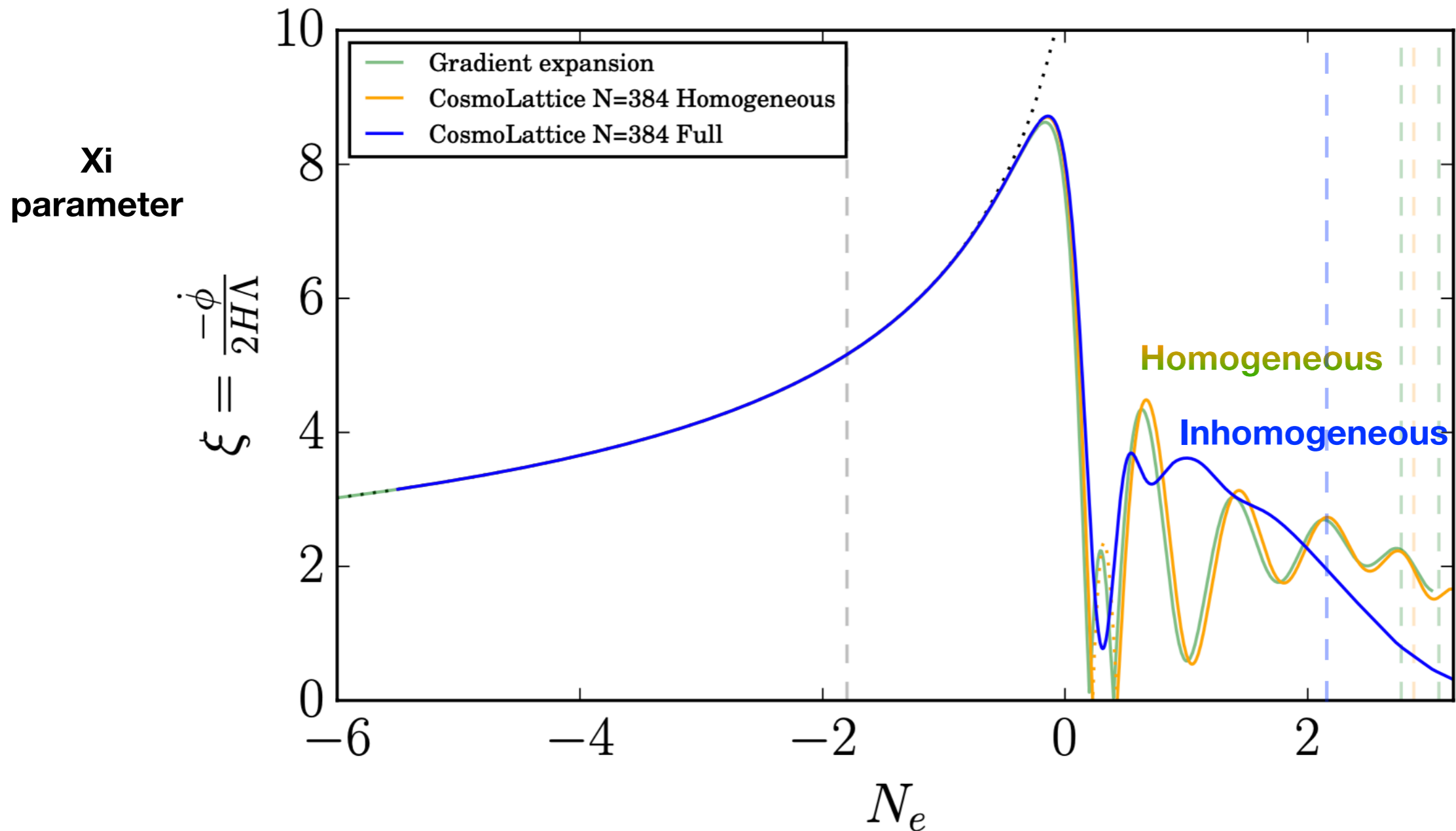
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# Example III

## Non-minimally coupled Scalar fields in the Jordan Frame

with

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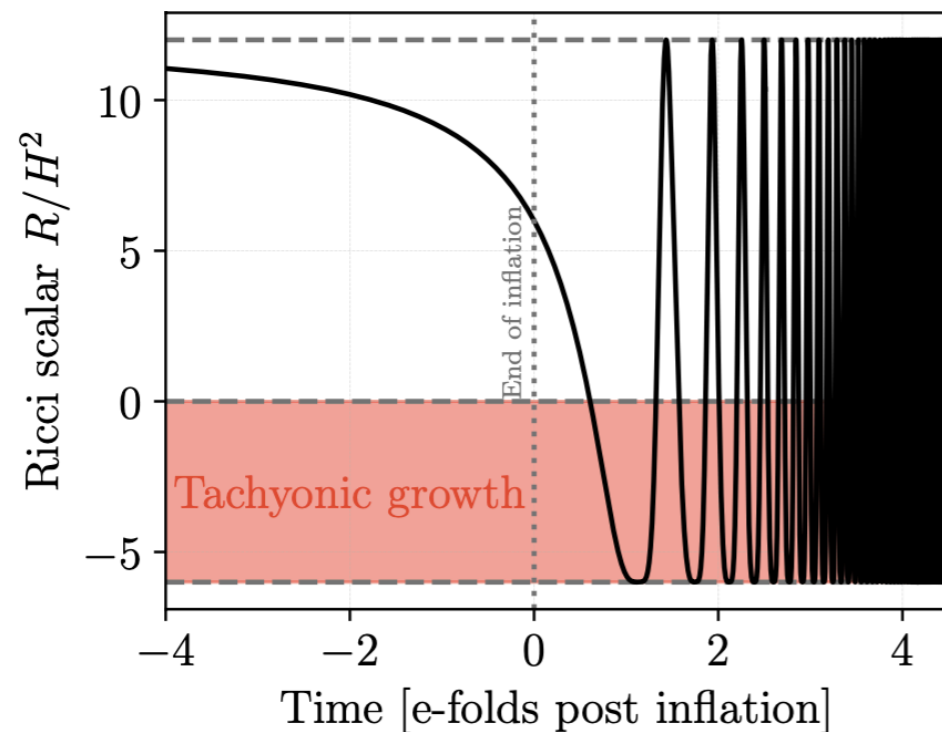
$$F(\chi) = \frac{1}{M_P^2 \left[ 1 + (6\xi - 1) \xi \langle \chi^2 \rangle / M_P^2 \right]}$$



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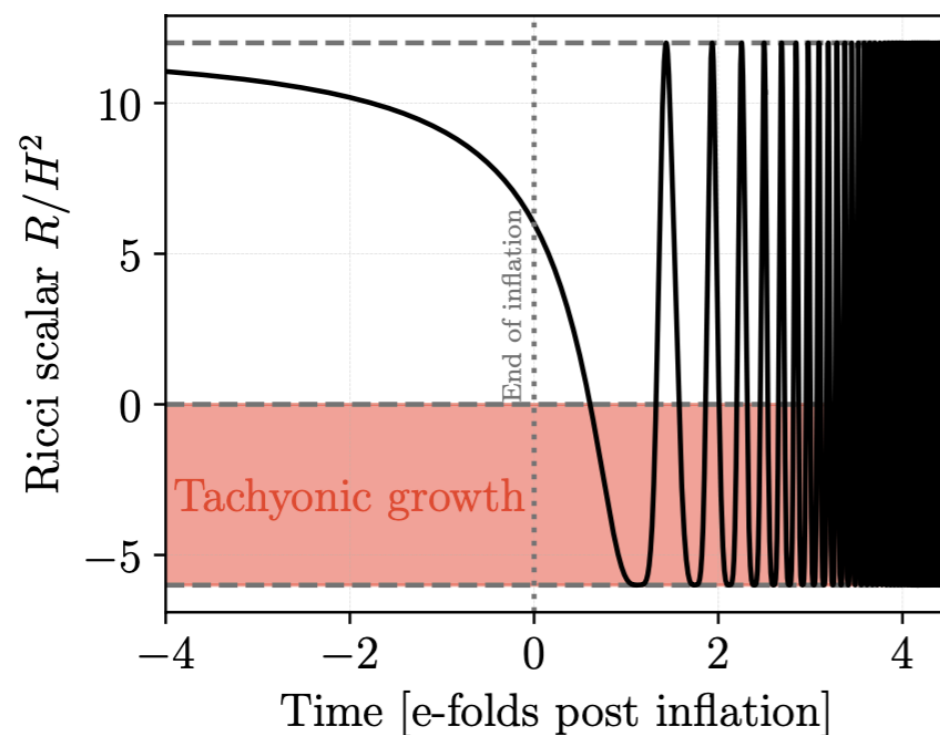


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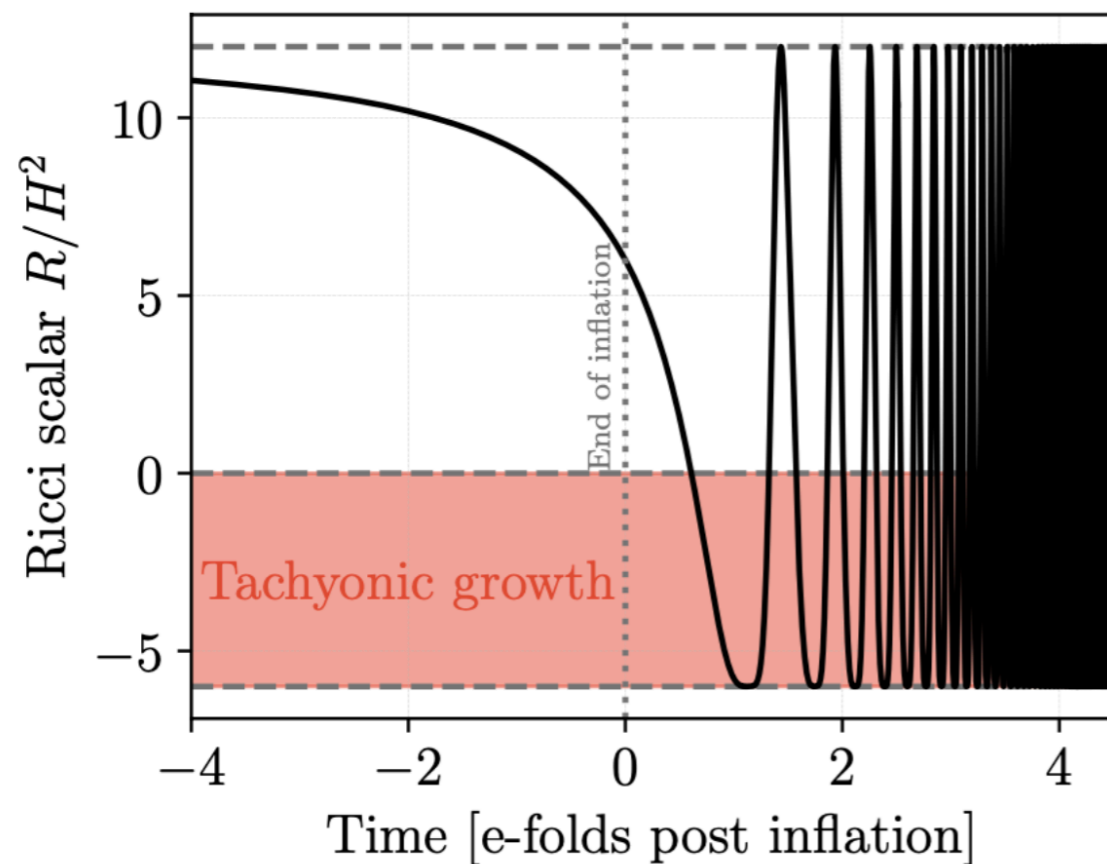
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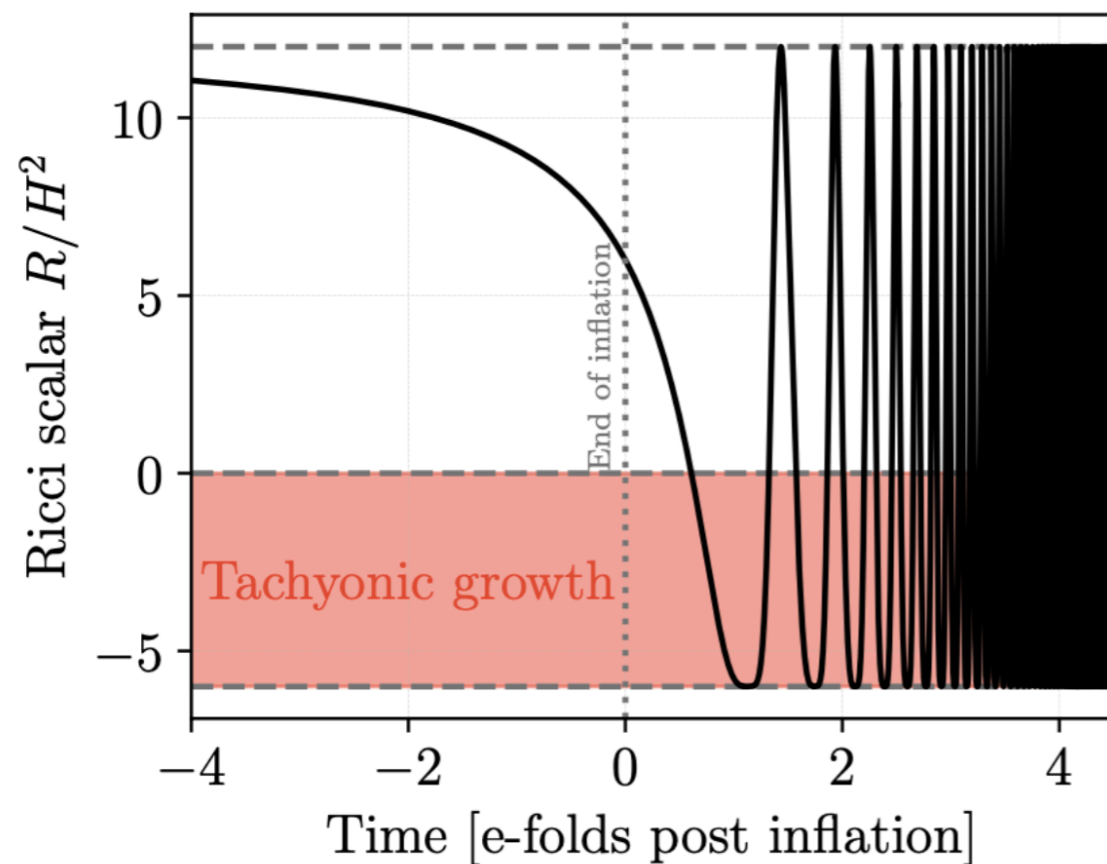
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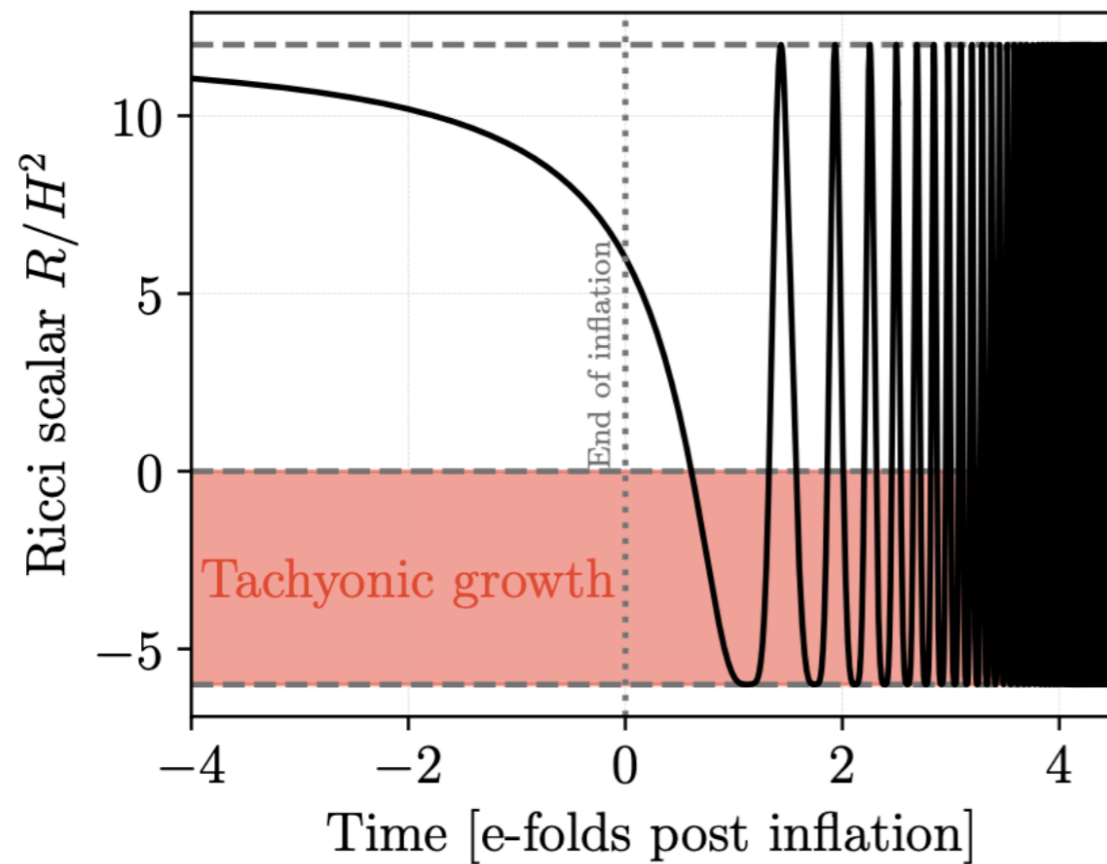
Tachyonic term  
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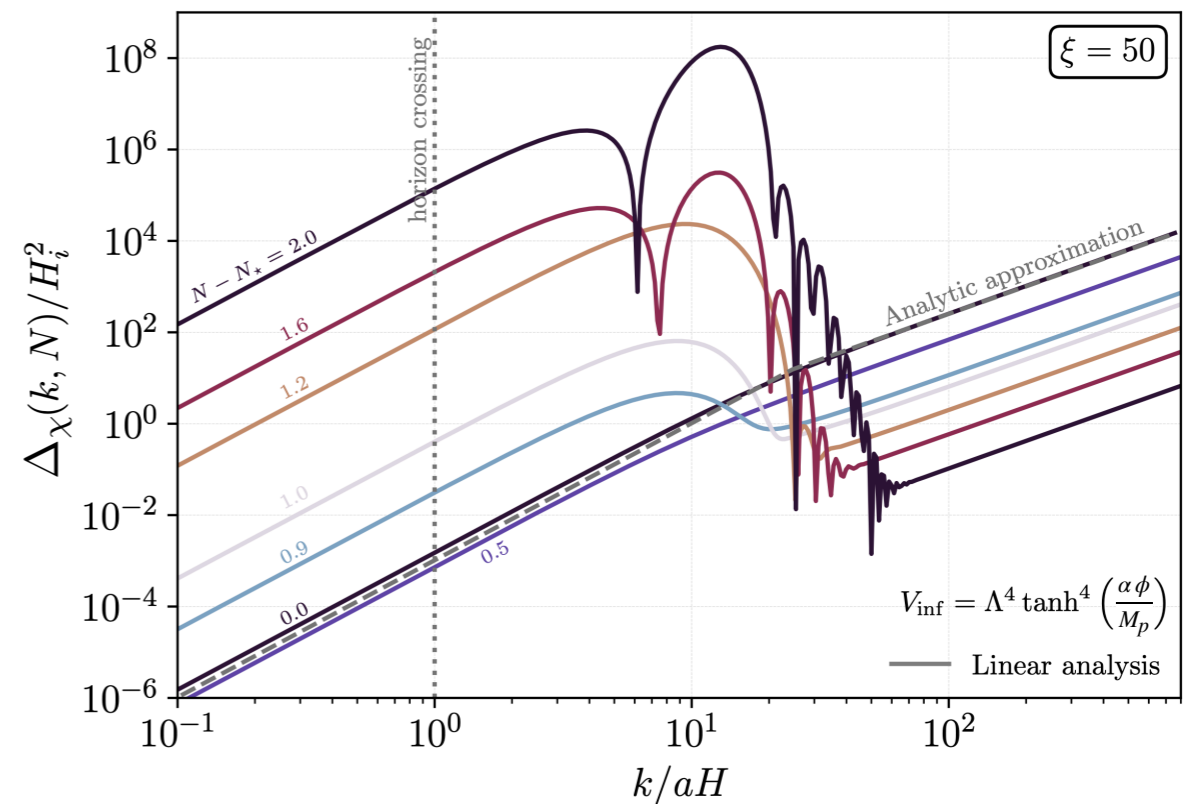
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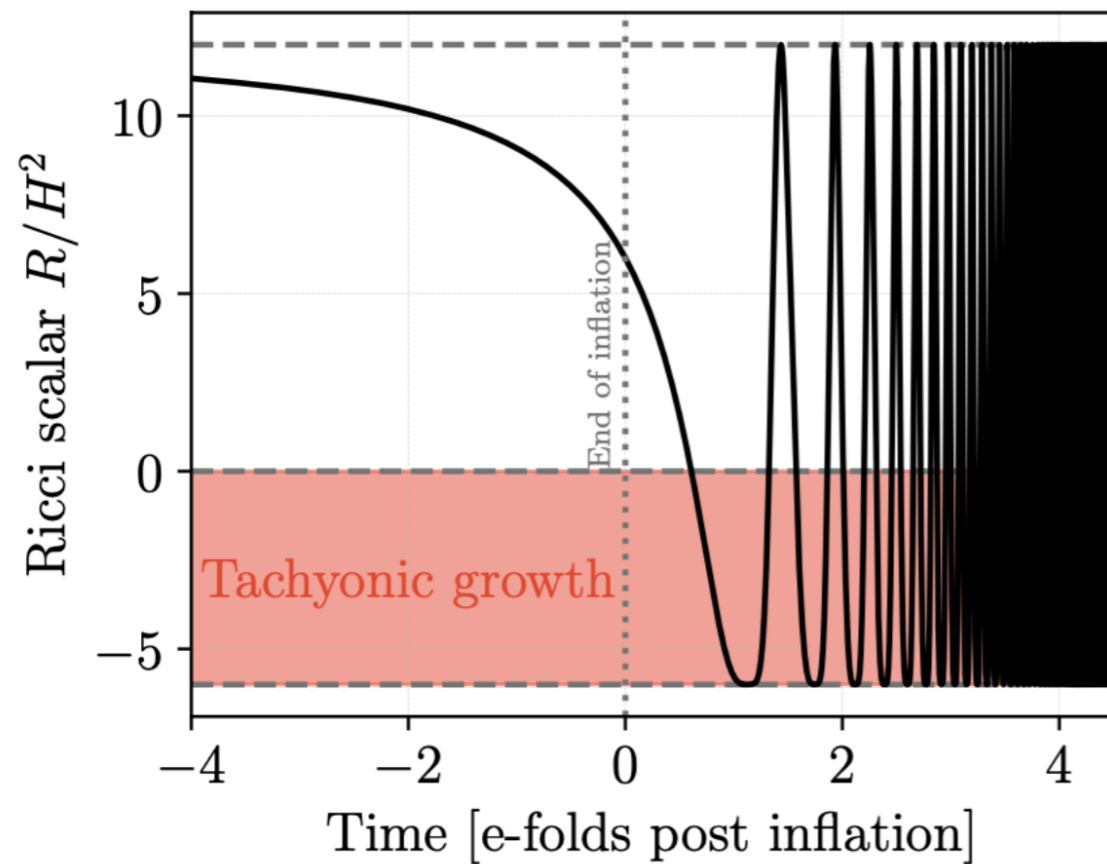
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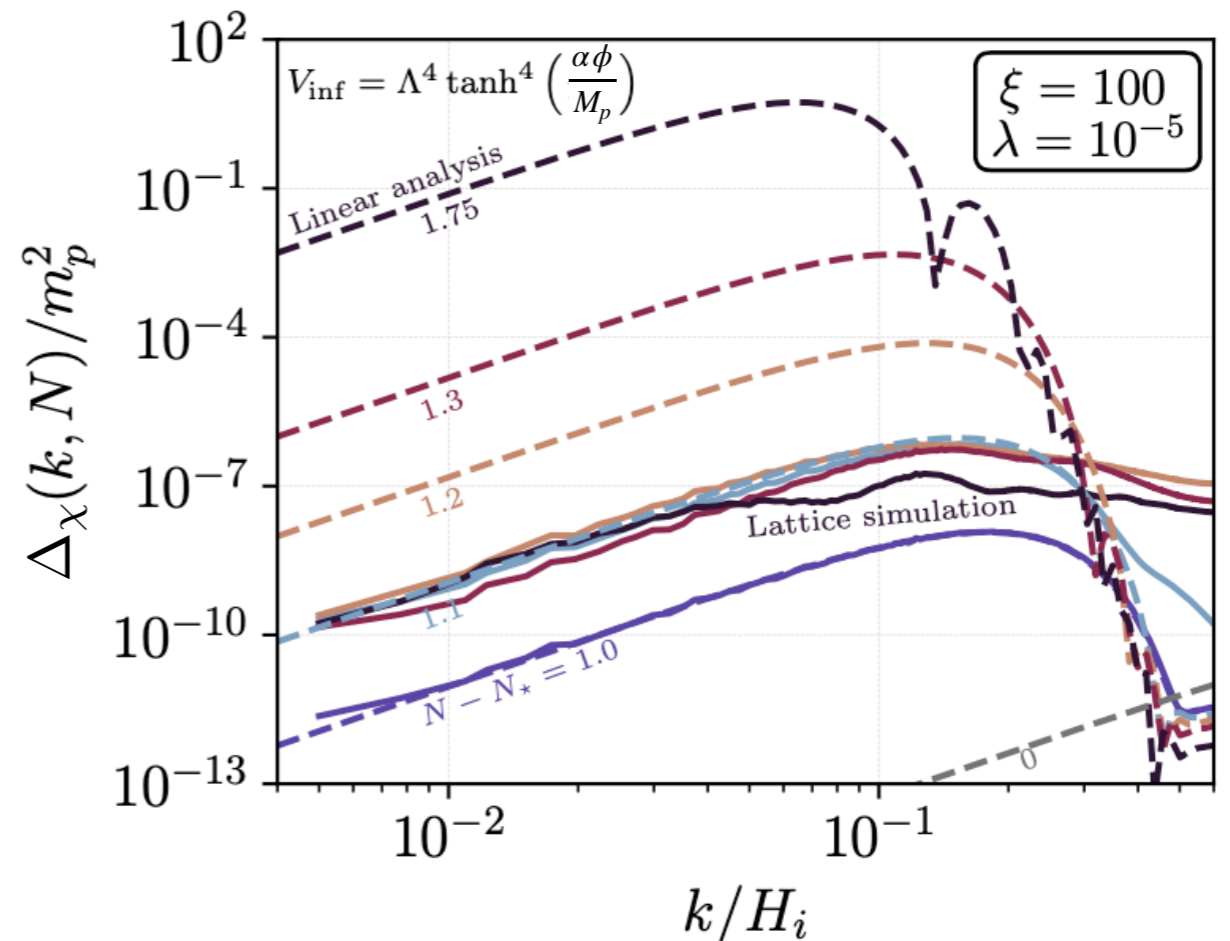
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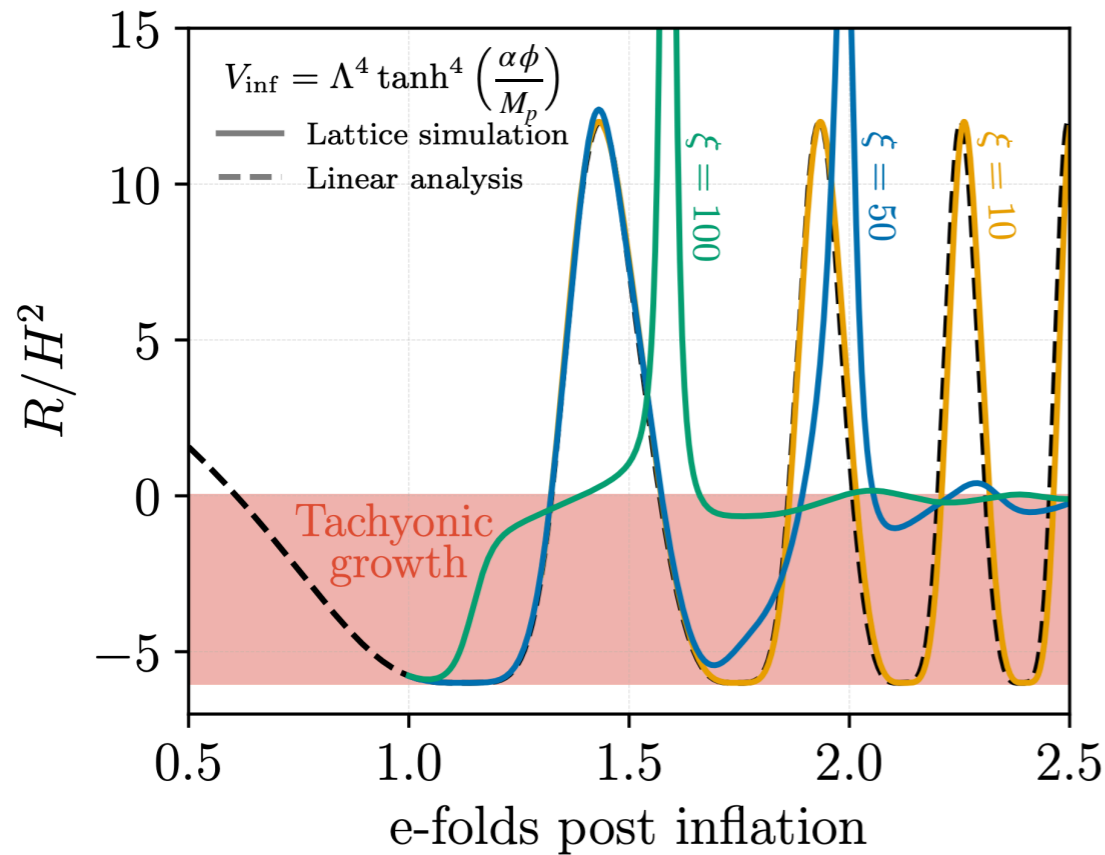
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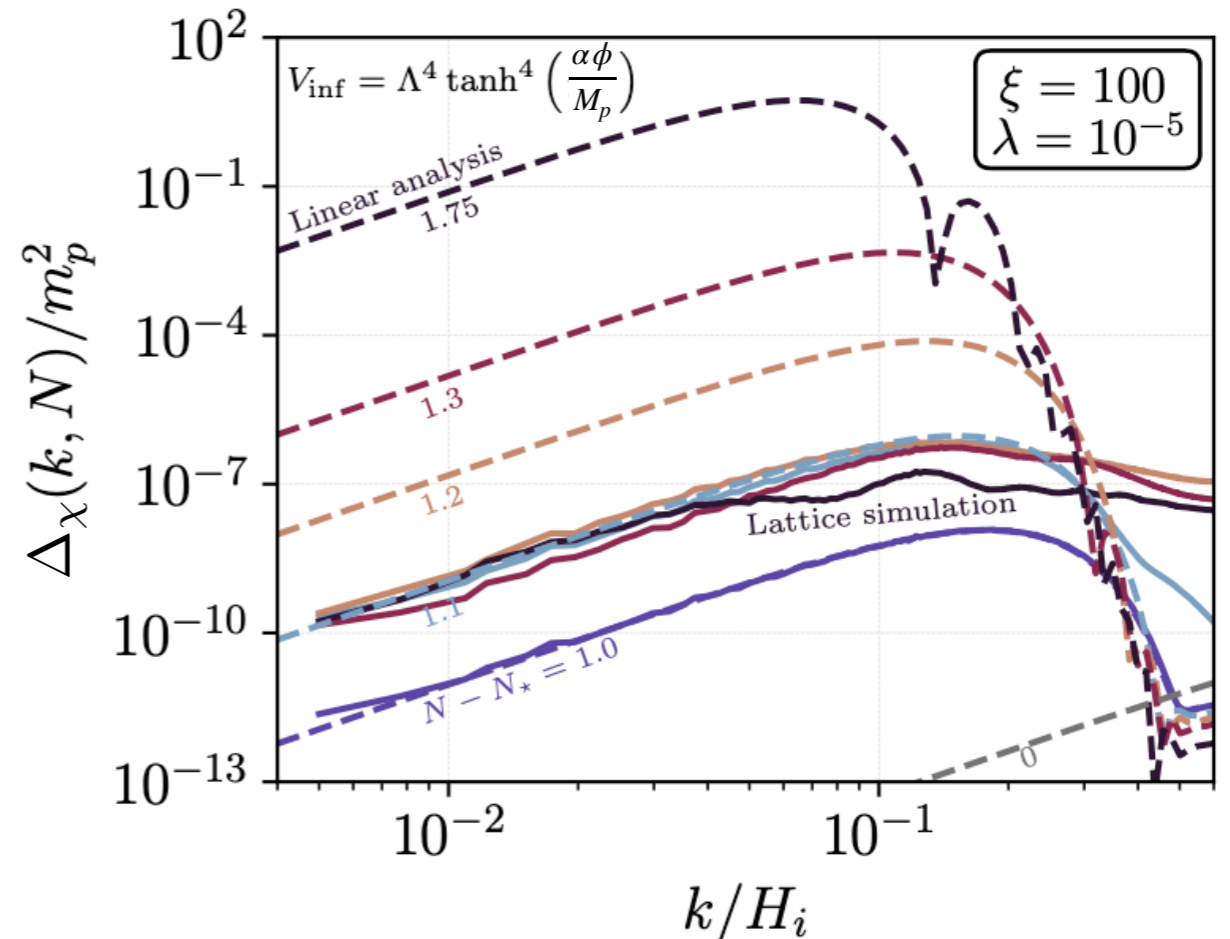
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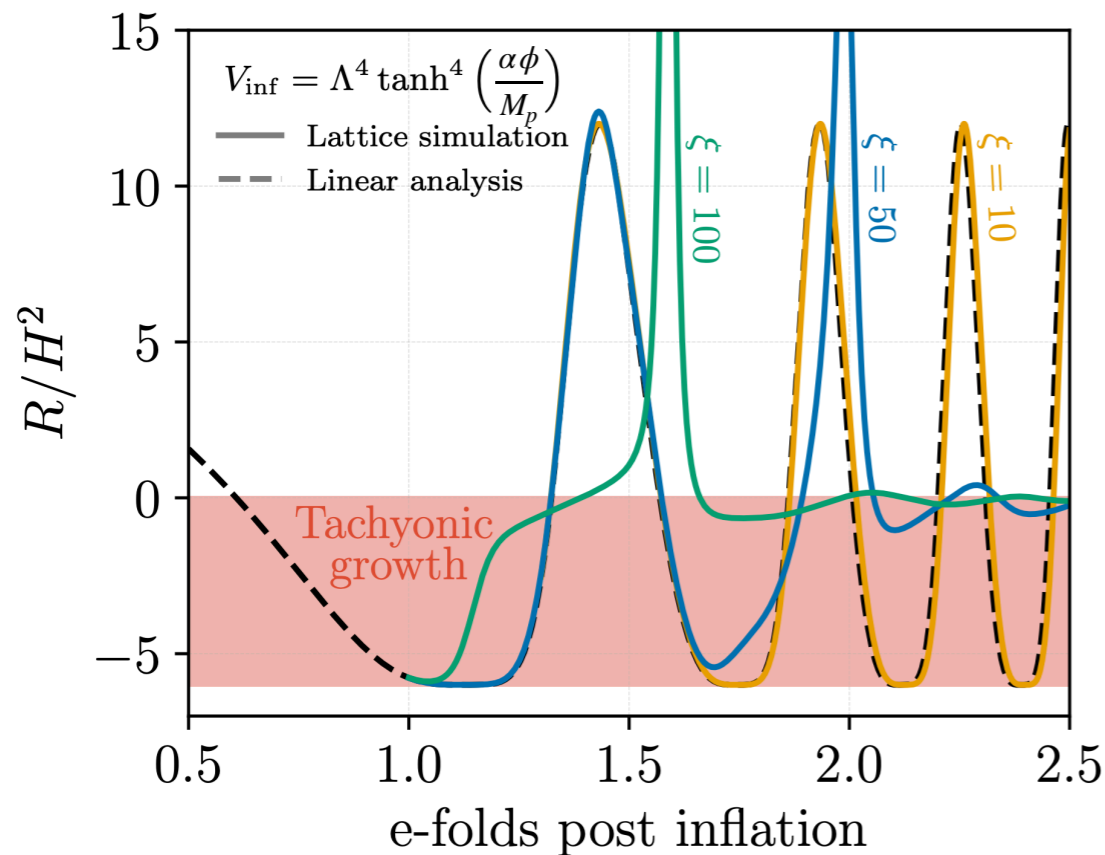
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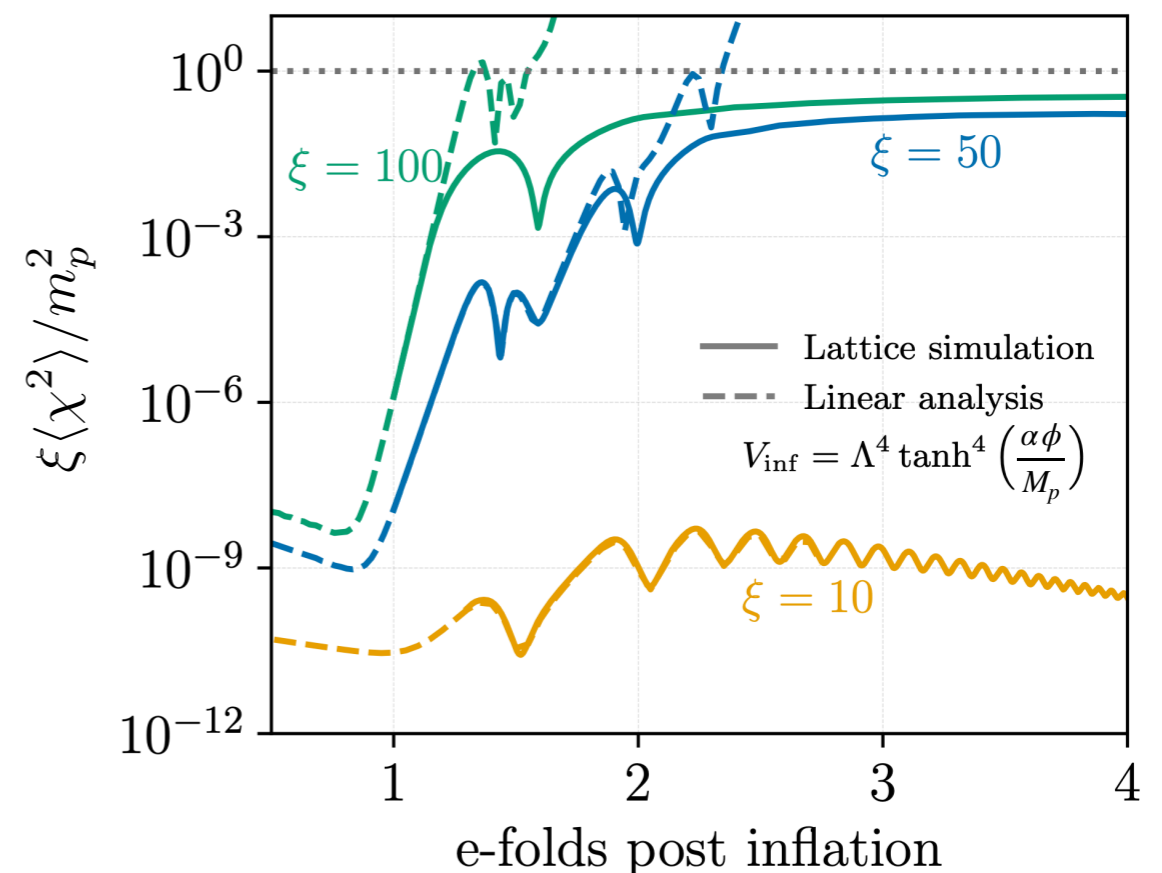
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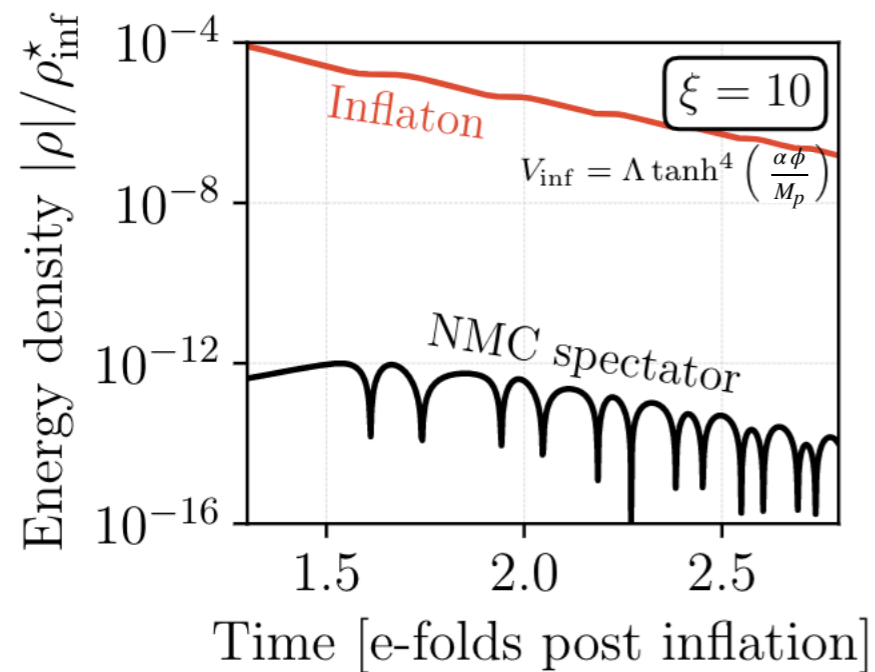
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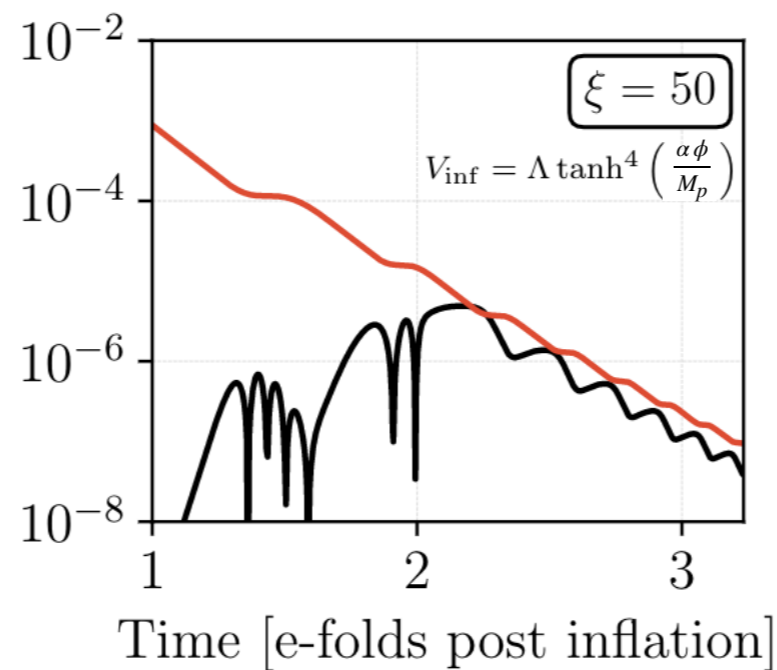
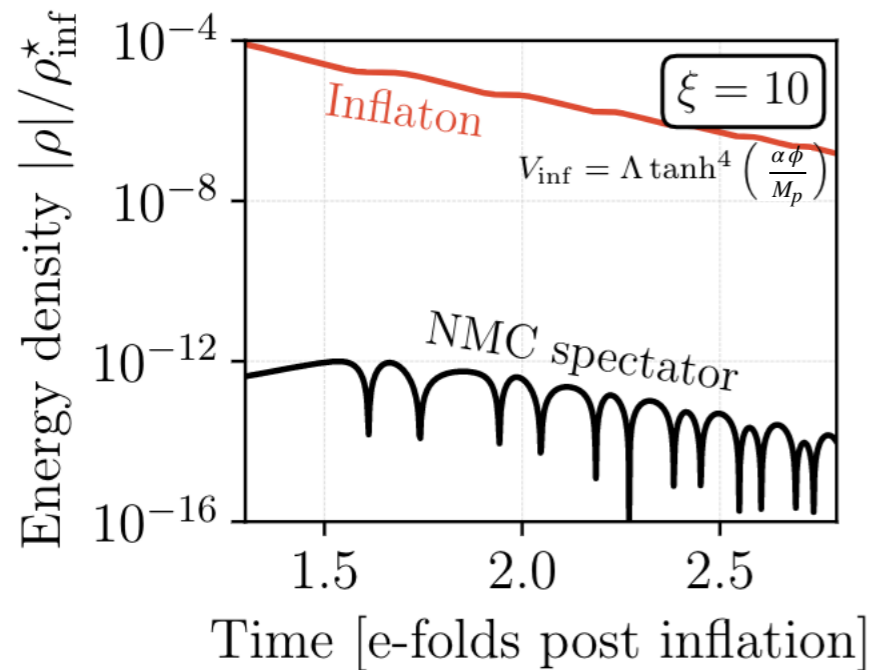
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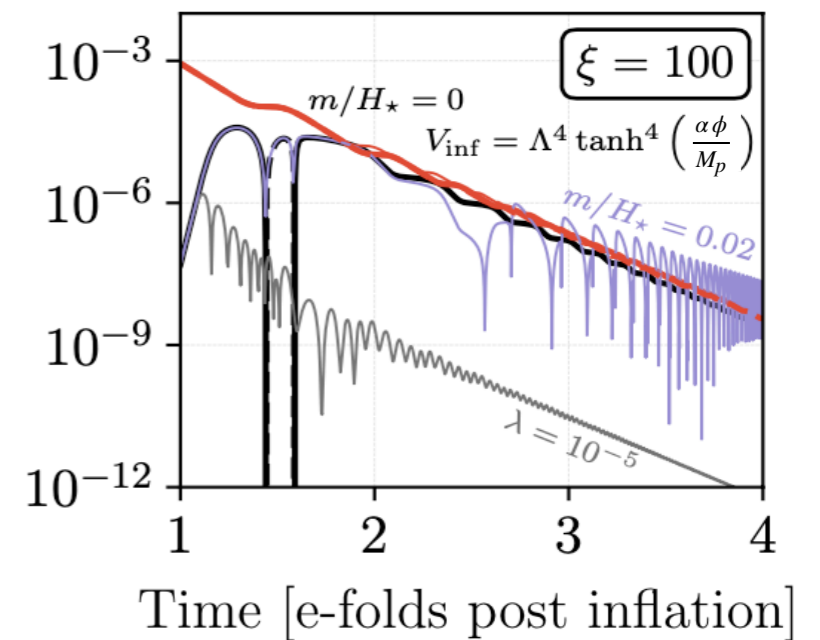
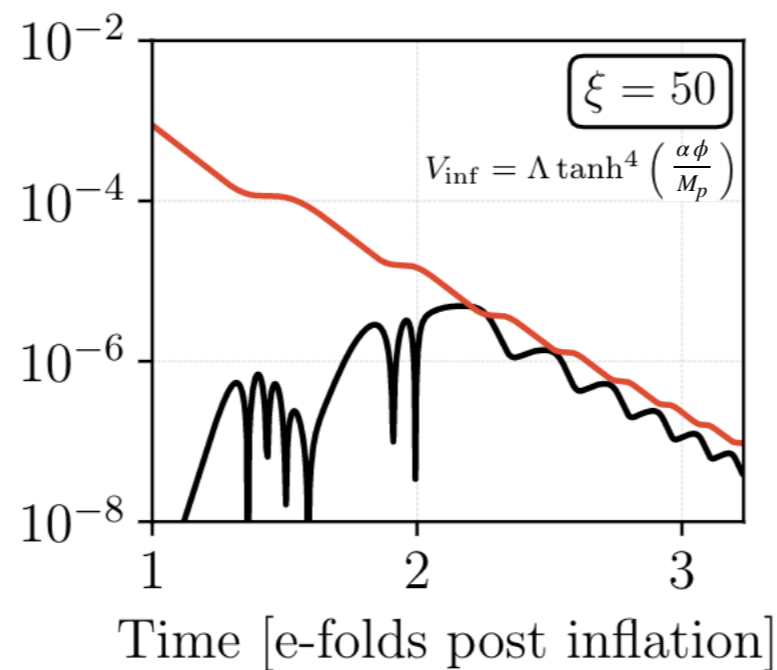
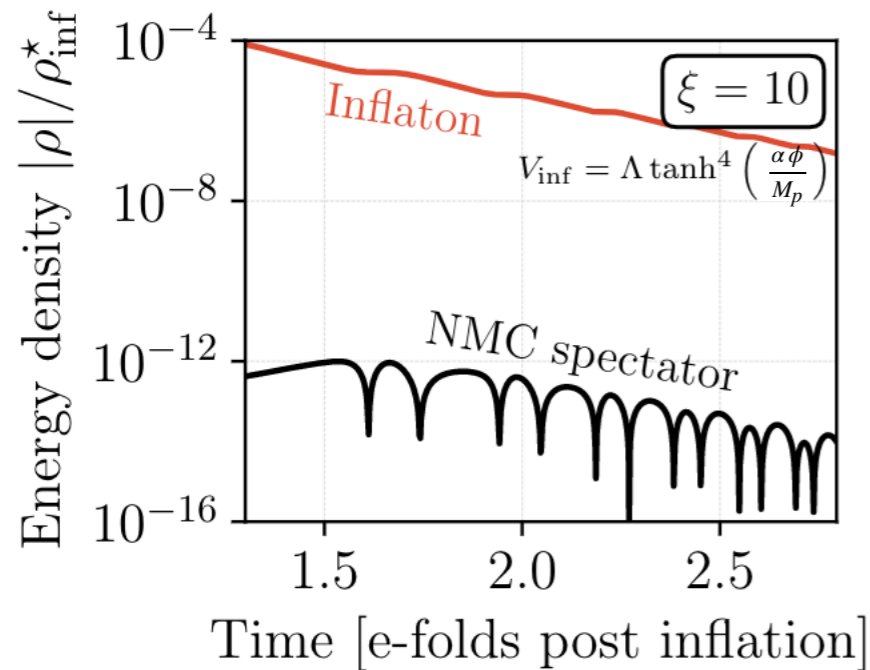
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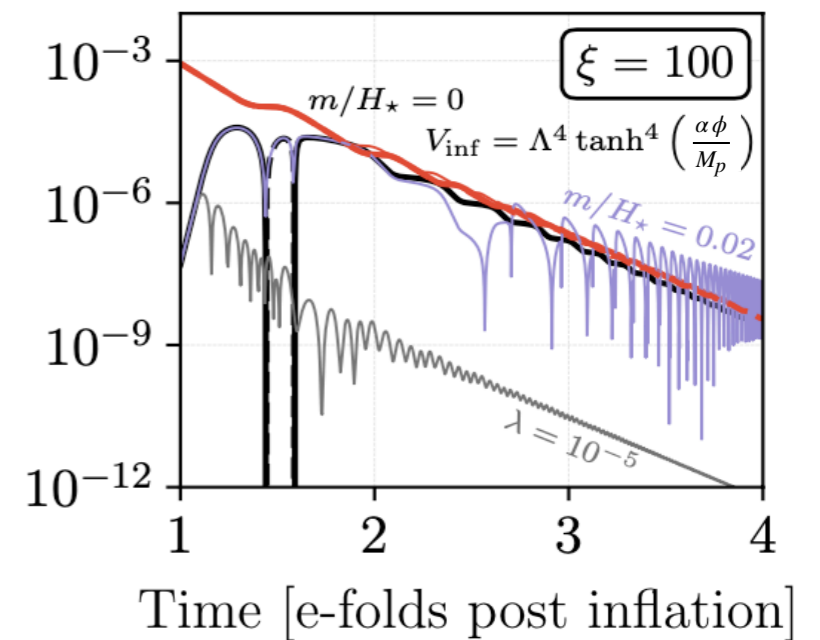
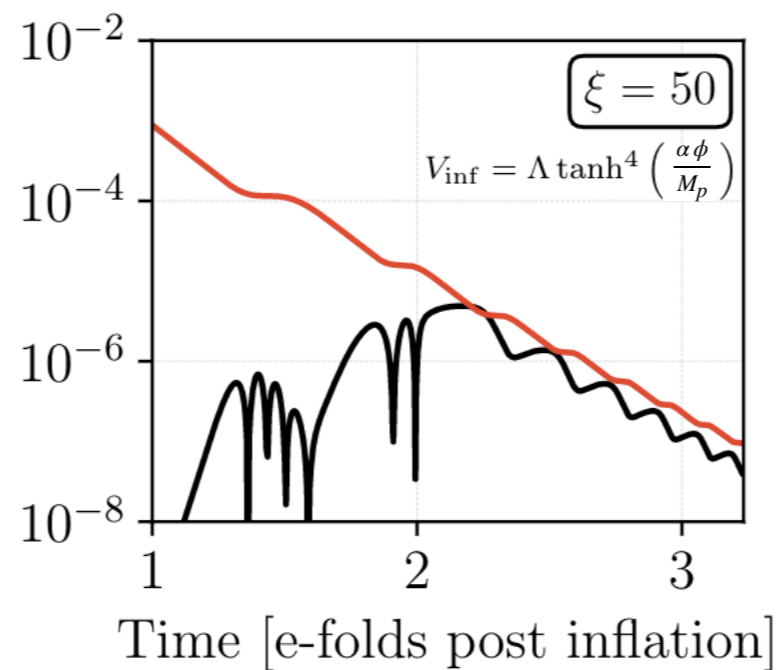
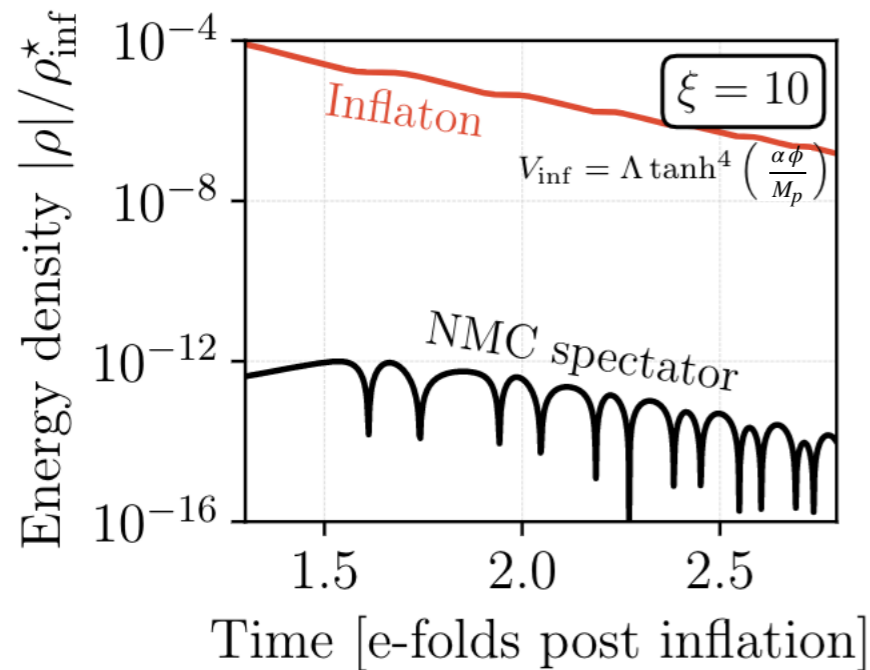
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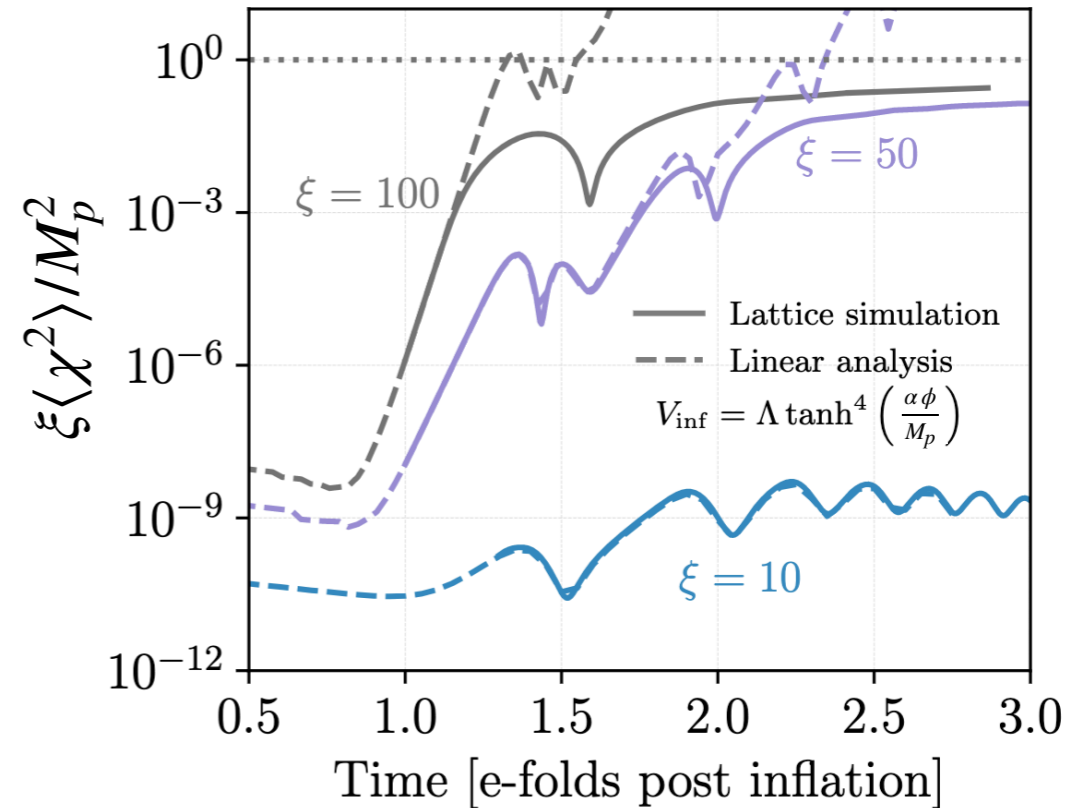
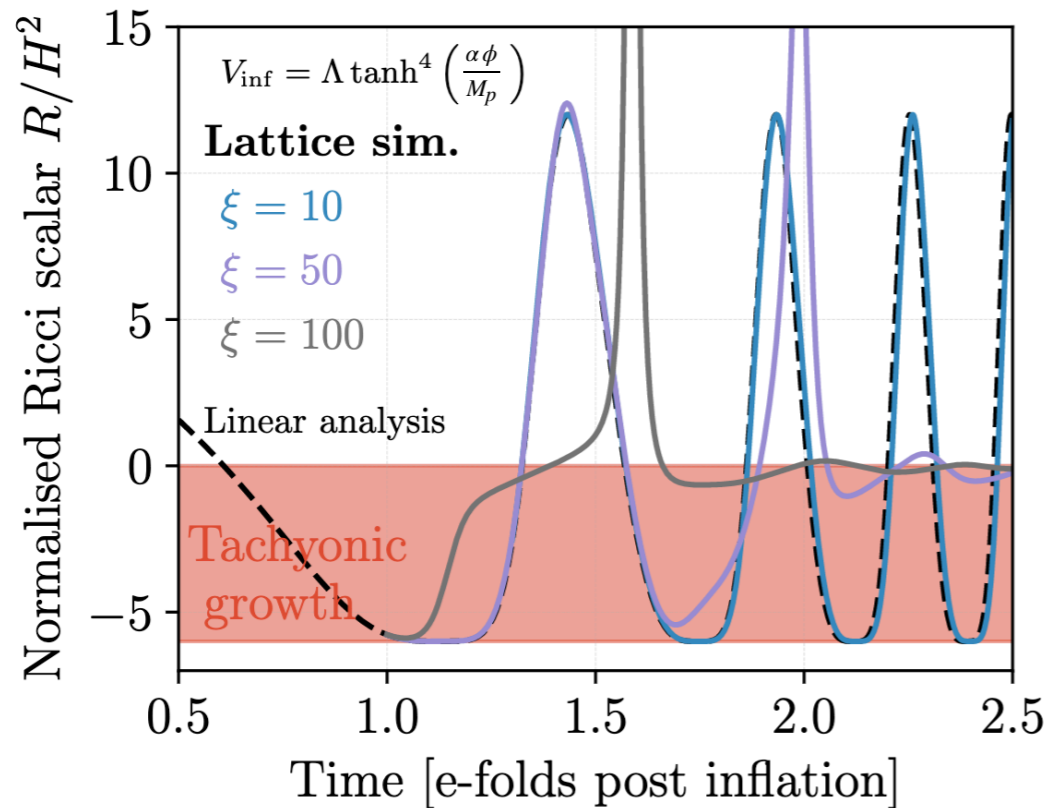


We can do it for any  $p$

$$V(|\phi|^p) \propto |\phi|^p$$

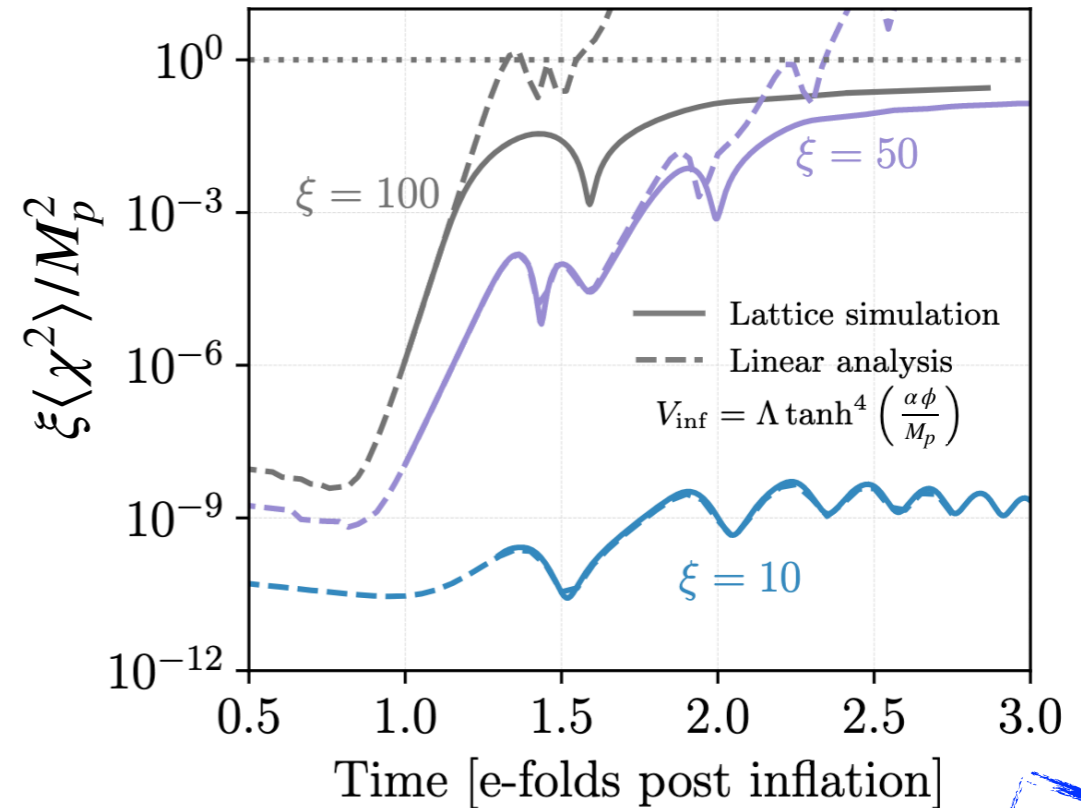
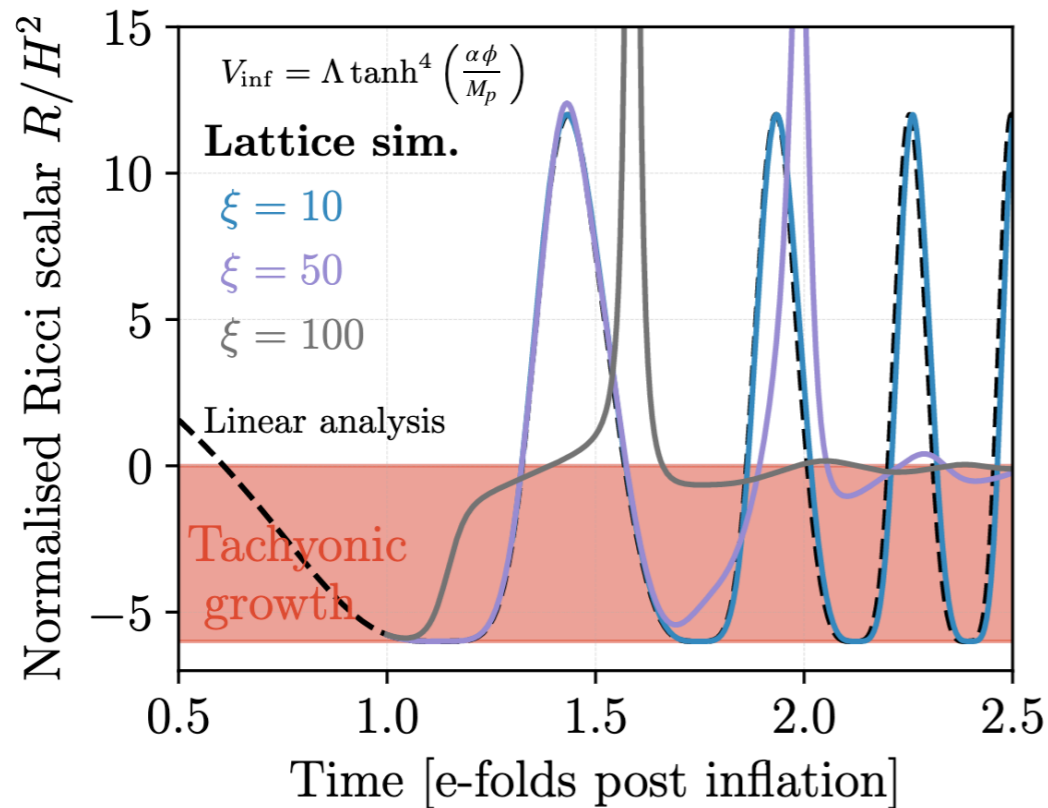
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We can compare Jordan vs Einstein frames

Work in progress