

**Non-Invertible Peccei-Quinn Symmetry
and
the Massless Quark Solution
to the Strong CP Problem**

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Naturalness Problems and Global Symmetries

1. Electroweak Hierarchy Problem

$$\left(\frac{\text{Gravity}}{\text{weak}}\right) \sim \left(\frac{v}{M_{pl}}\right)^2 \sim \left(\frac{100 \text{ GeV}}{10^{19} \text{ GeV}}\right)^2 \sim 10^{-34} \ll 1$$

A source of challenge: **no apparent symmetry** acting on (generic) scalar Φ

Exception-1) Shift symmetry: Higgs = PNGB \Rightarrow Composite Higgs / Little Higgs

Exception-2) Chiral symmetry (scalar \leftrightarrow fermion): SUSY \Rightarrow (N)MSSM

In these cases, hierarchy problem becomes **Technical Naturalness Problem**.

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2. Strong CP Problem

$$\tilde{J} = \text{Im det}[y_u^\dagger y_u, y_d^\dagger y_d] \propto \sin \delta_{CKM} \sim \mathcal{O}(1) \quad \text{vs} \quad \bar{\theta} \equiv \arg e^{-i\theta} \det(y_u y_d) \ll 1$$

"Jarlskog invariant"

source of challenge 1: **no clean symmetry structure**

CP (=T), Anomalous $U(1)_{PQ}$, flavor symmetry, ...
renormalization of $\bar{\theta}$ from other CPV sources

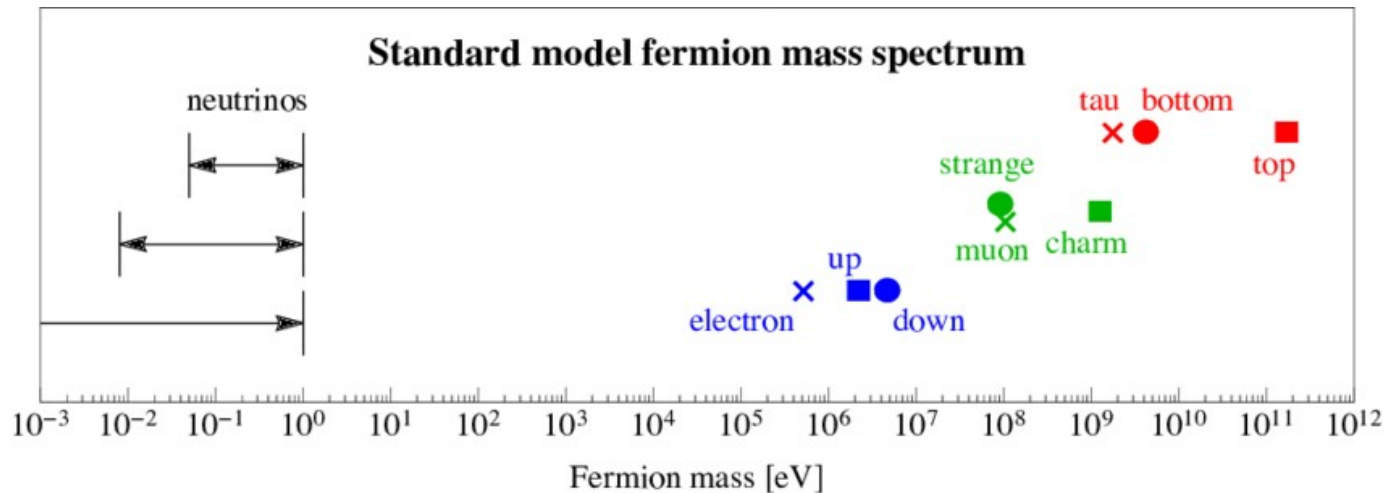
source of challenge 2: the limit $\bar{\theta} \rightarrow 0$ does not enhance the symmetry of QFT

Strong CP problem = Dirac Naturalness Problem

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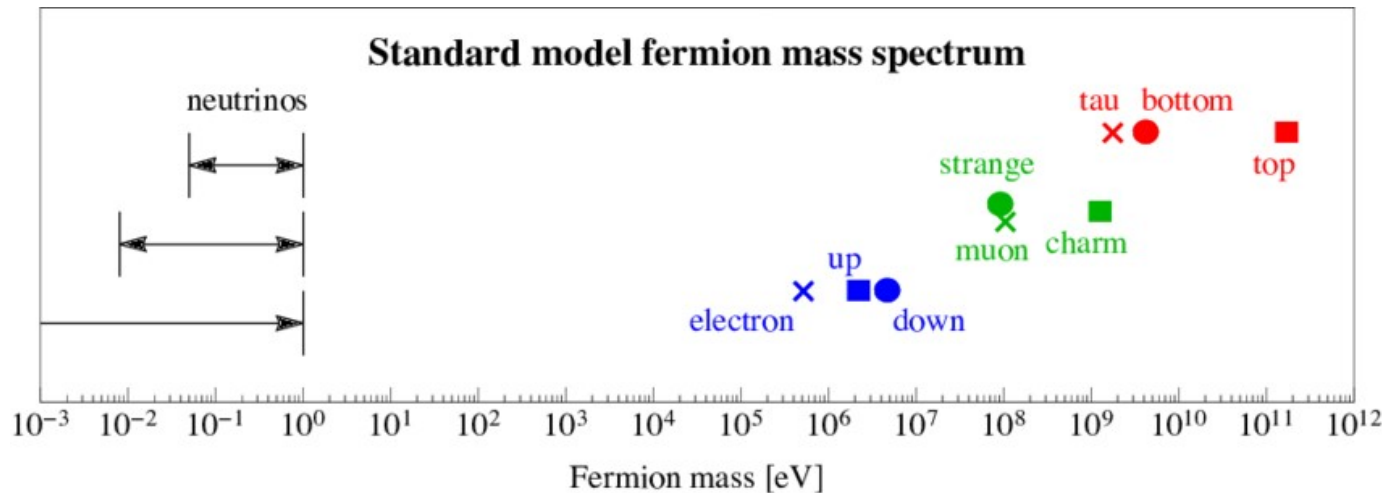
Several attractive theories exist.

- (1) Seesaw models based on $U(1)_L$
- (2) Extradimension, clockwork: localization
- (3) ...

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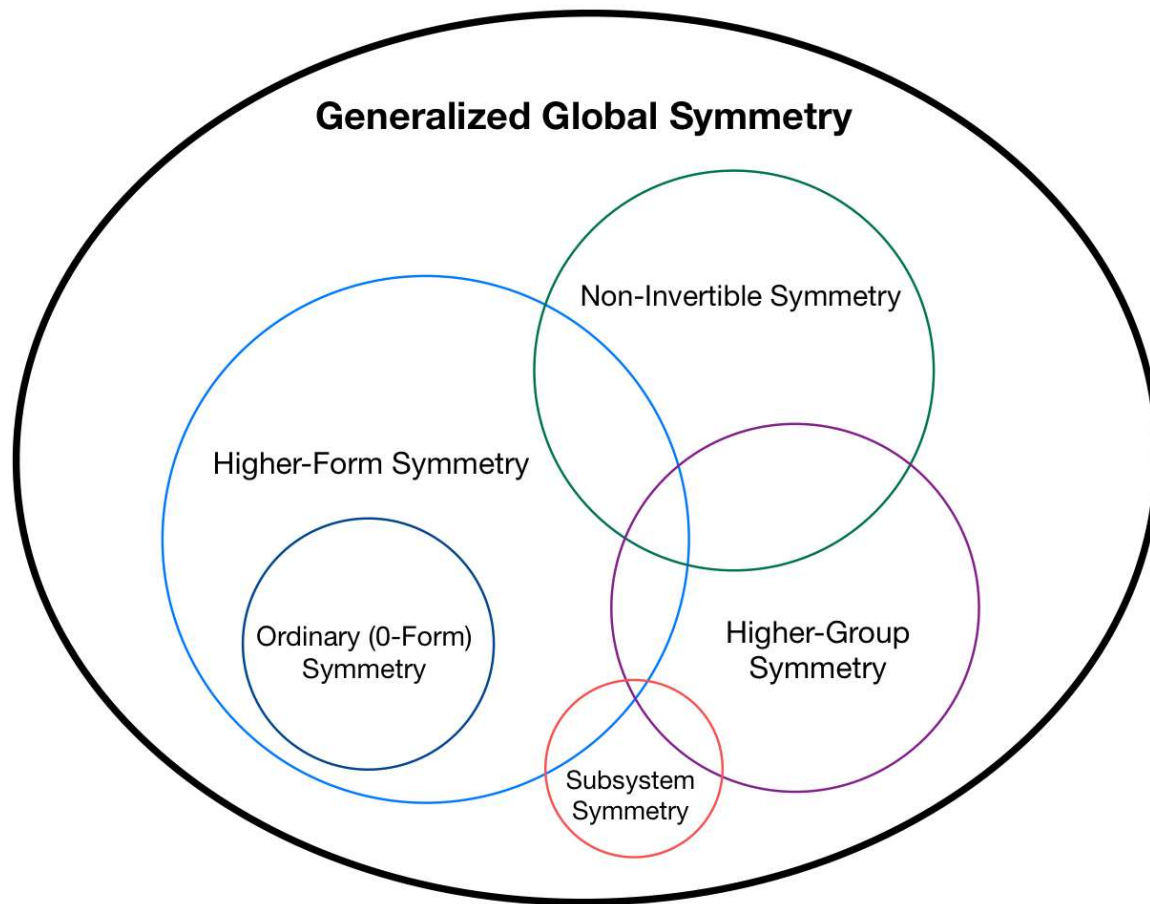
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A source of challenge: ultimate mechanism still to be confirmed.

=> more feasible, testable, and motivating **theoretical ideas** should be laid out.

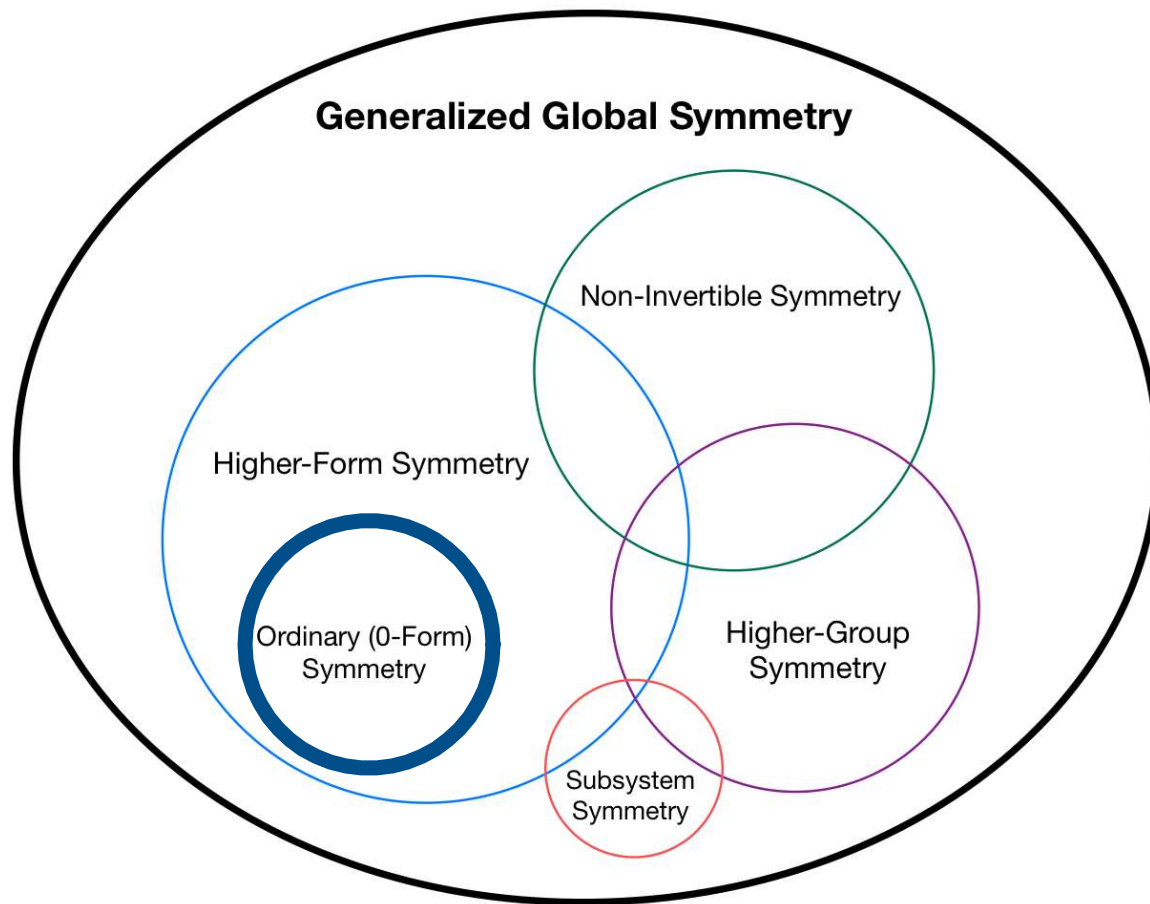
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Generalized Global Symmetries in Physics

Well-motivated and timely to think about **new ideas** and **breakthrough**
Generalized Global Symmetry can provide.

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Generalized Global Symmetries in Particle Physics

0. **Noninvertible Chiral Symmetry** and Exponential Hierarchies '22 (C. Cordova, K. Ohmori)
Noninvertible Global Symmetries in the Standard Model '22 (Y. Choi, H.T. Lam, S.-H Shao)
1. **Neutrino Masses** from Generalized Symmetry Breaking '22 (C. Cordova, **SH**, S. Koren, K. Ohmori)
2. Higher **Flavor Symmetries** in the Standard Model '22 (C. Cordova, S. Koren)
3. Coupling a **Cosmic String** to a TQFT '23 (T.D. Brennan, **SH**, LT Wang)
Quantization of Axion-Gauge Couplings and Non-Invertible Higher Symmetries '23 (Y. Choi, M. Forsslund, H. T. Lam, S-H. Shao)
Axion-Gauge Coupling Quantization with a Twist '23 (M. Reece)
Axion Domain Walls, Small Instantons, and Non-Invertible Symmetry Breaking '23 (C. Cordova, **SH**, L. Wang)
Axion Couplings in Heterotic String Theory '24 (P. Agrawal, M. Nee, M Reig)
4. Non-invertible Peccei-Quinn Symmetry and the Massless Quark Solution to **Strong CP Problem** '24 (C. Cordova, **SH**, S. Koren)
Spontaneously Broken **(-1)-Form** U(1) Symmetry '24 (D. Aloni, E. Garcia-Valdecasas, M. Reece, M. Suzuki)
High-Quality Axions from Higher-Form Symmetries in Extra Dimensions '24 (N. Craig, M. Kongsore)
5. Nonperturbative effects in the Standard Model with **gauged 1-form** symmetry '21 (M. Anber, E. Poppitz)
Fractional-charge hadrons and leptons to tell the **Standard Model group** apart '24 (R. Alonso, D. Dimakou, M. West)
The **Standard Model Gauge Group**, SMEFT, and Generalized Symmetries '24 (H-L. Li, L-X. Xu)
6. A New Solution to the **Callan-Rubakov Effect** '23 (T. D. Brennan)
Monopoles, Scattering, and Generalized Symmetries '23 (M. Beest, P. B. Smith, D. Delmastro, Z. Komargodski, D. Tong)
Fermion-Monopole Scattering in the Standard Model '23 (M. Beest, P. B. Smith, D. Delmastro, R. Mouland, D. Tong)

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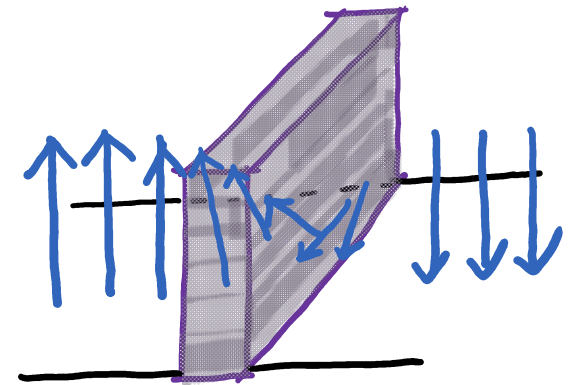
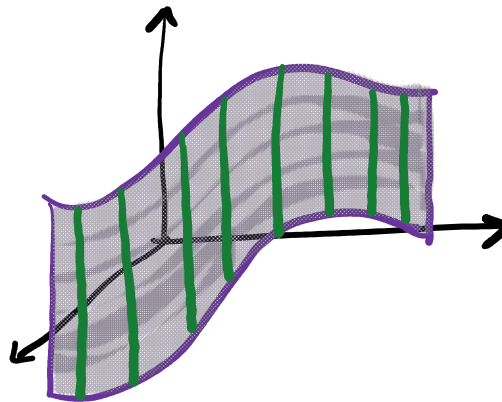
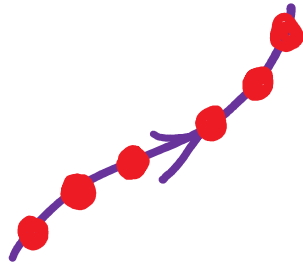
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Various **extended objects** appear in broad class of theories.



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e.g. particle
**0-form
symmetry**

Line operator
e.g. Wilson line
't Hooft line
**1-form
symmetry**

Surface operator
e.g. Cosmic string
2-form symmetry

Volume operator
e.g. Domain Wall
3-form symmetry

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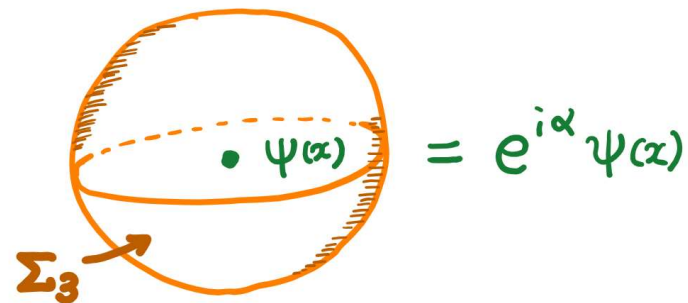
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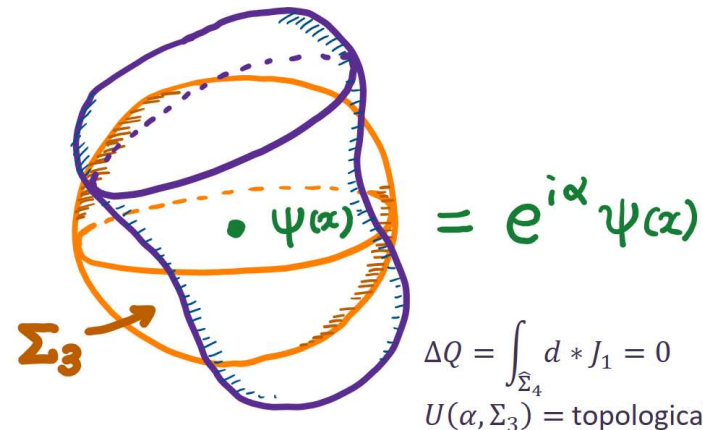
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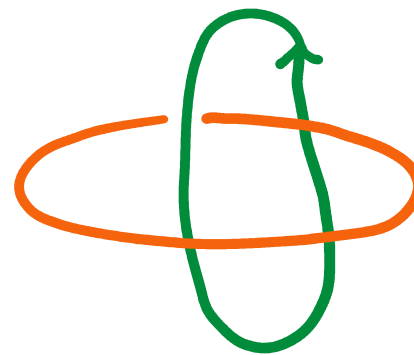
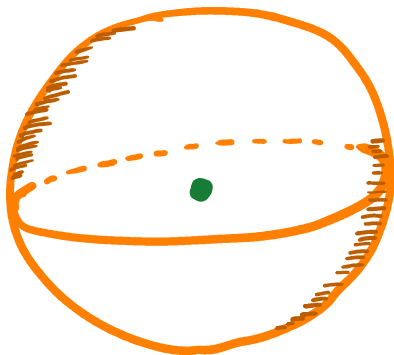
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E.g.) 0- and 1-form symmetry in 3d



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1-2. $PSU(N) = \frac{SU(N)}{Z_N}$: $Z_N^{(1)}(e)$ is gauged (electric states projected out)

\nexists electric 1-form

$\exists Z_N^{(1)}(m)$: $\Pi_1(PSU(N)) = Z_N$ or " $N * \frac{1}{N} = 1$ "

$\Rightarrow \oint G_2 = 2\pi/N$, $\int \text{tr}(G_2 \wedge G_2) \supset \frac{N-1}{2N} \int w_2 \wedge w_2$ Fractional Instanton

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From Fractional Instanton

e.g. $G = SU(N)$

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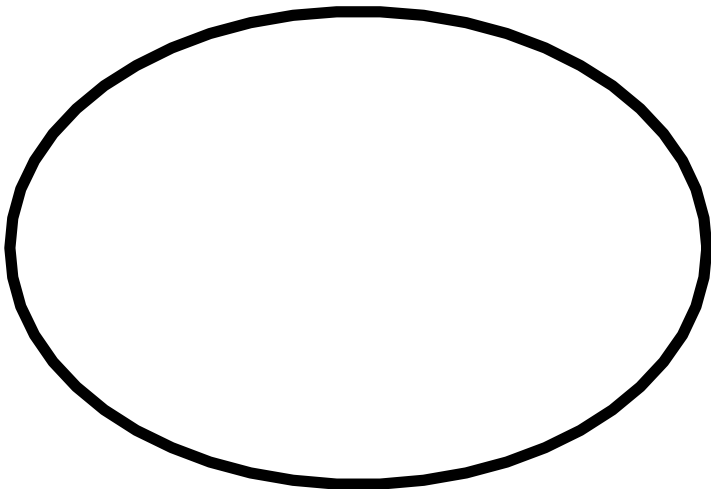
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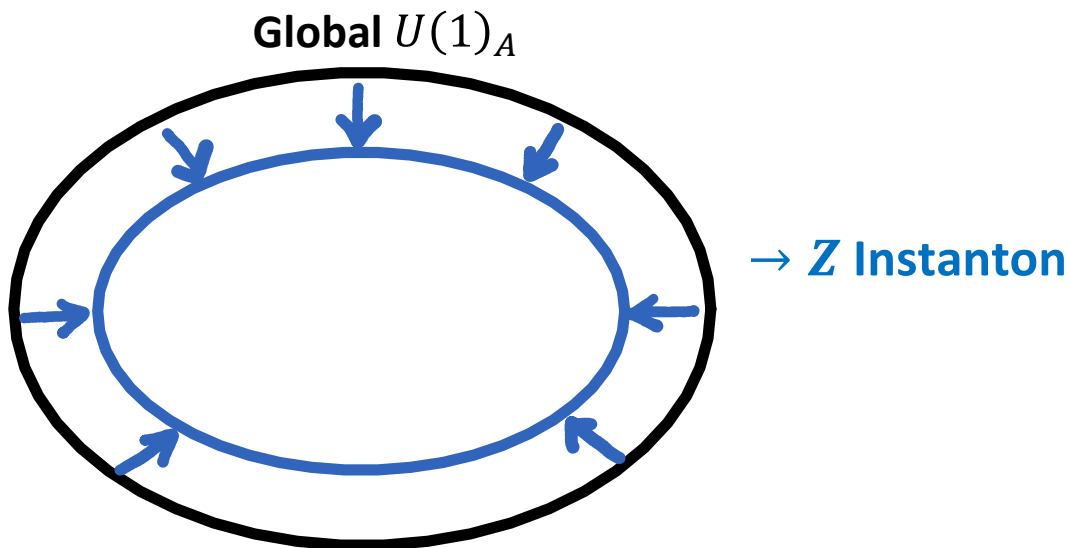
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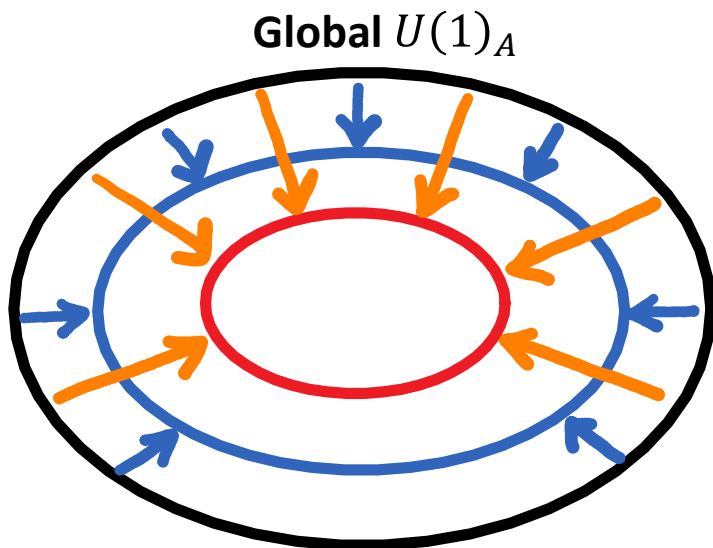
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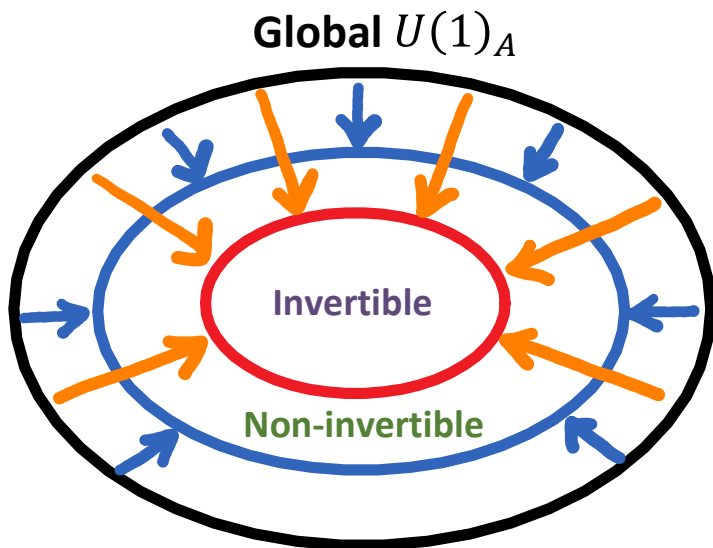
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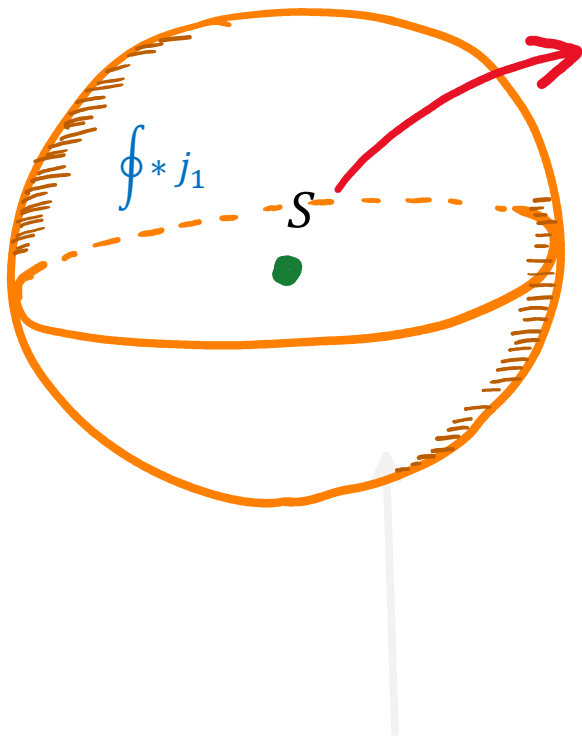
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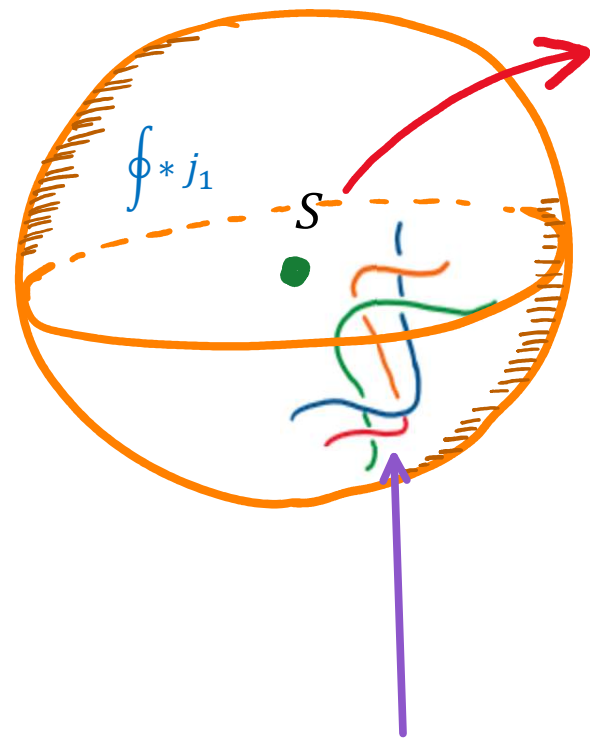
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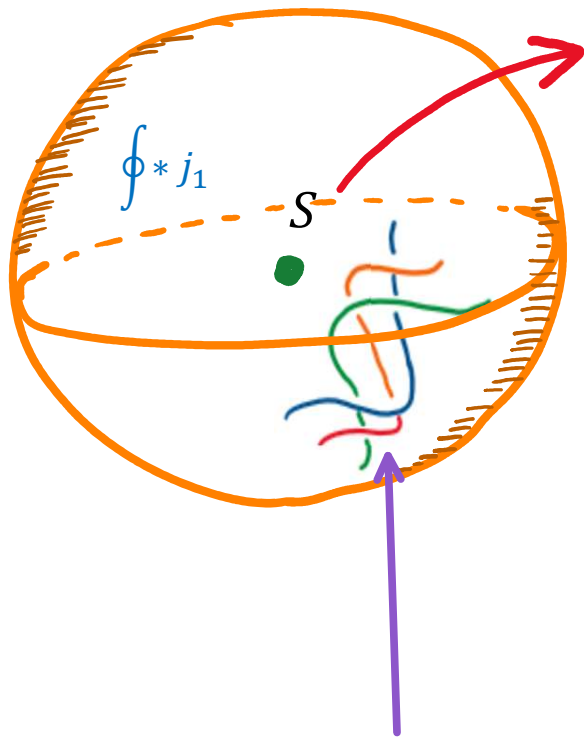
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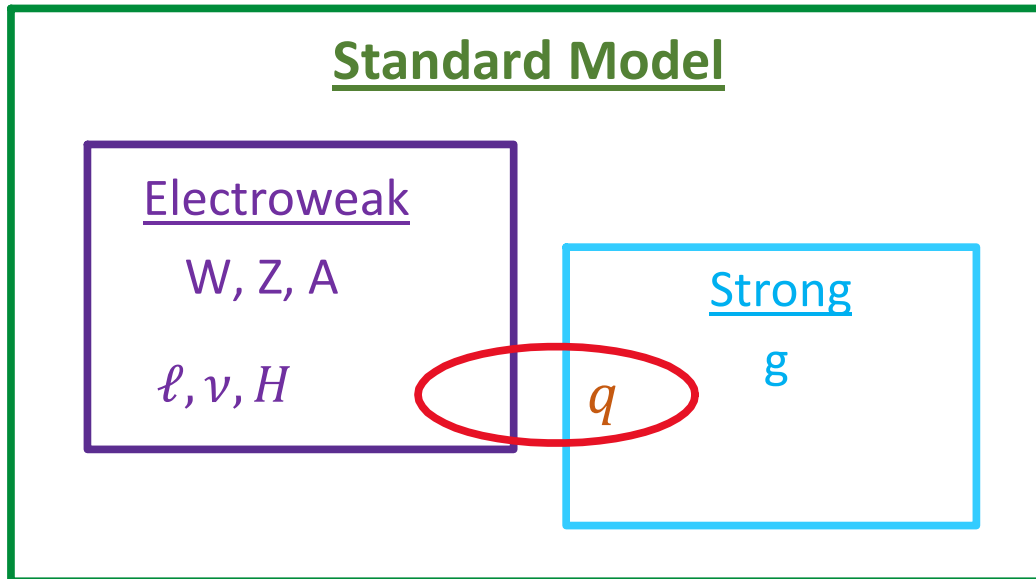
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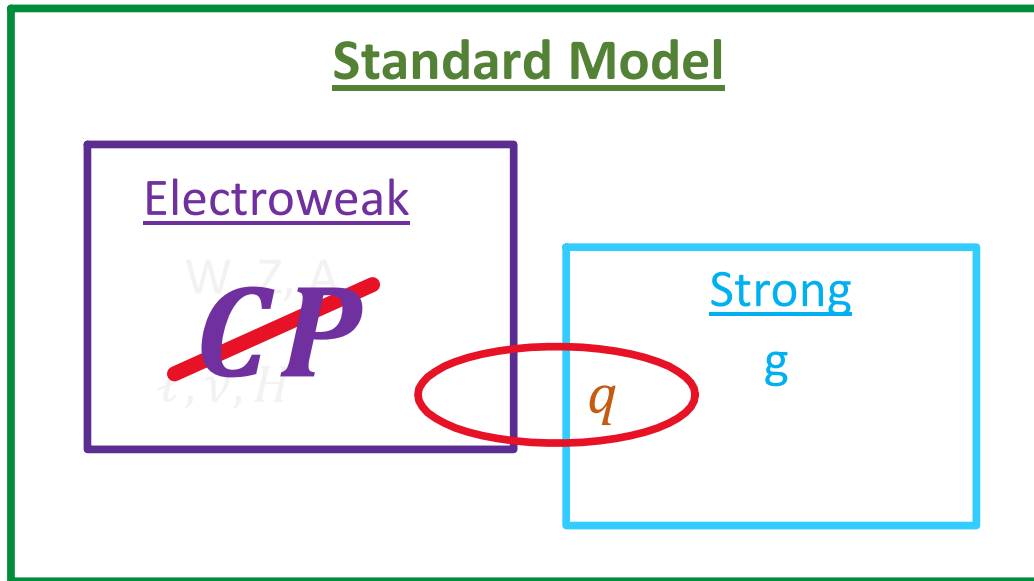
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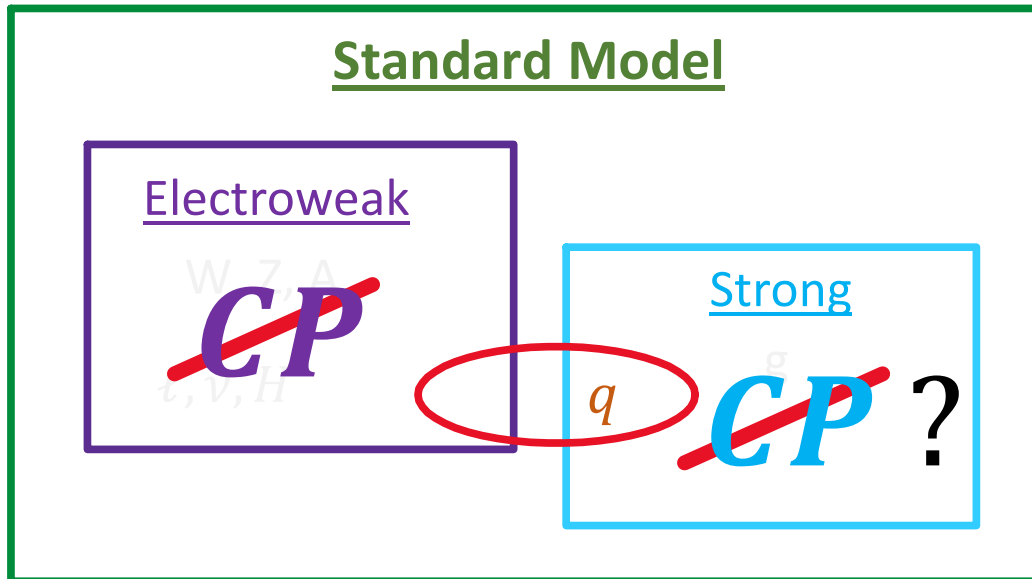
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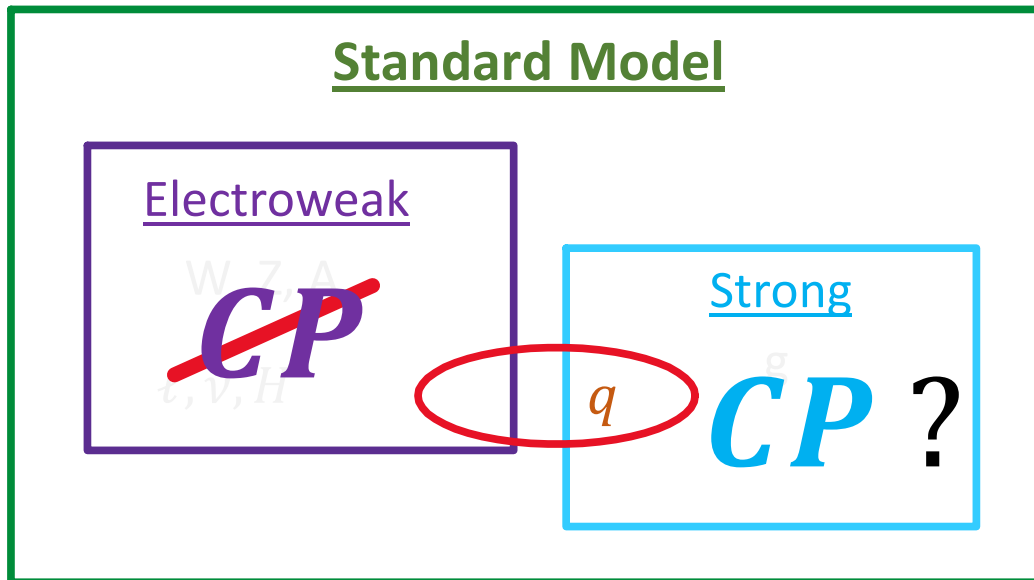
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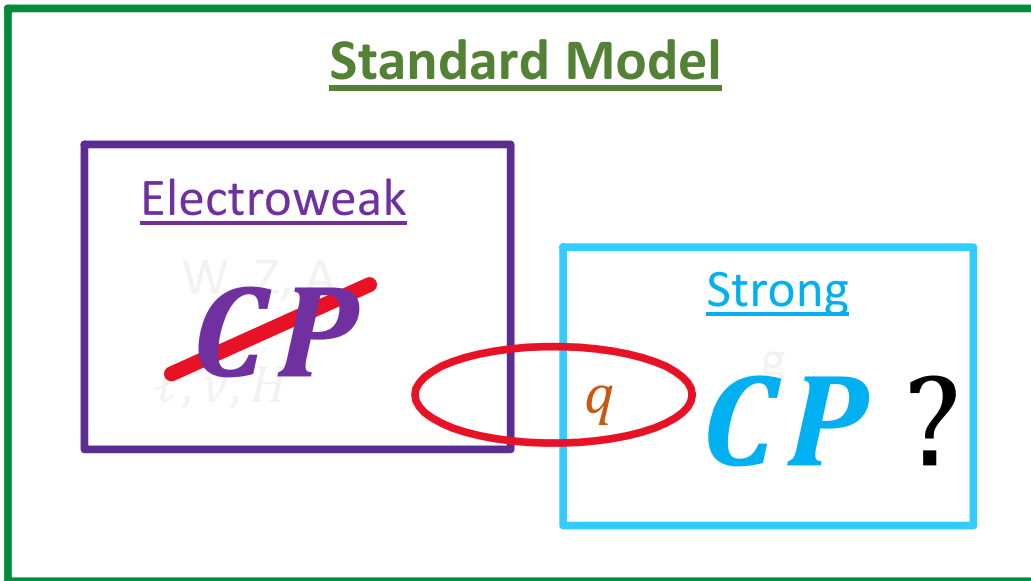
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"Jarlskog invariant"

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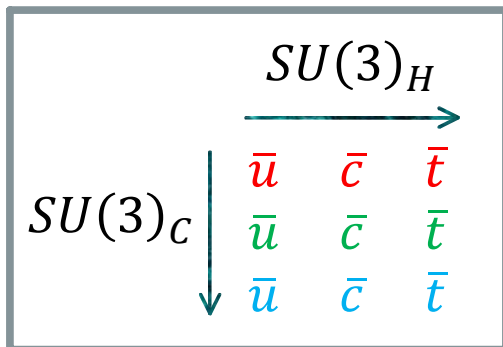
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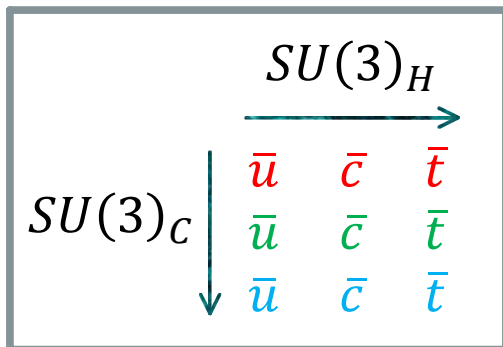
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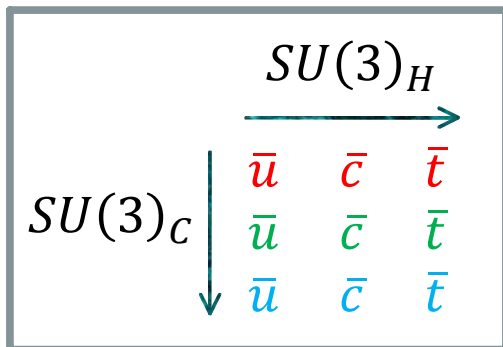
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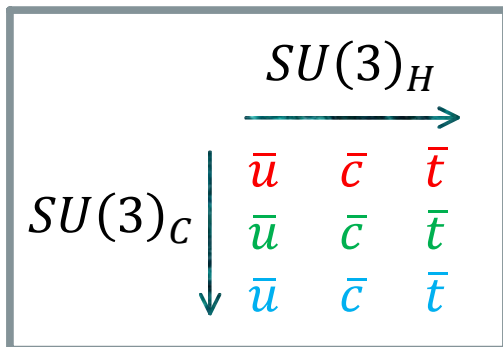
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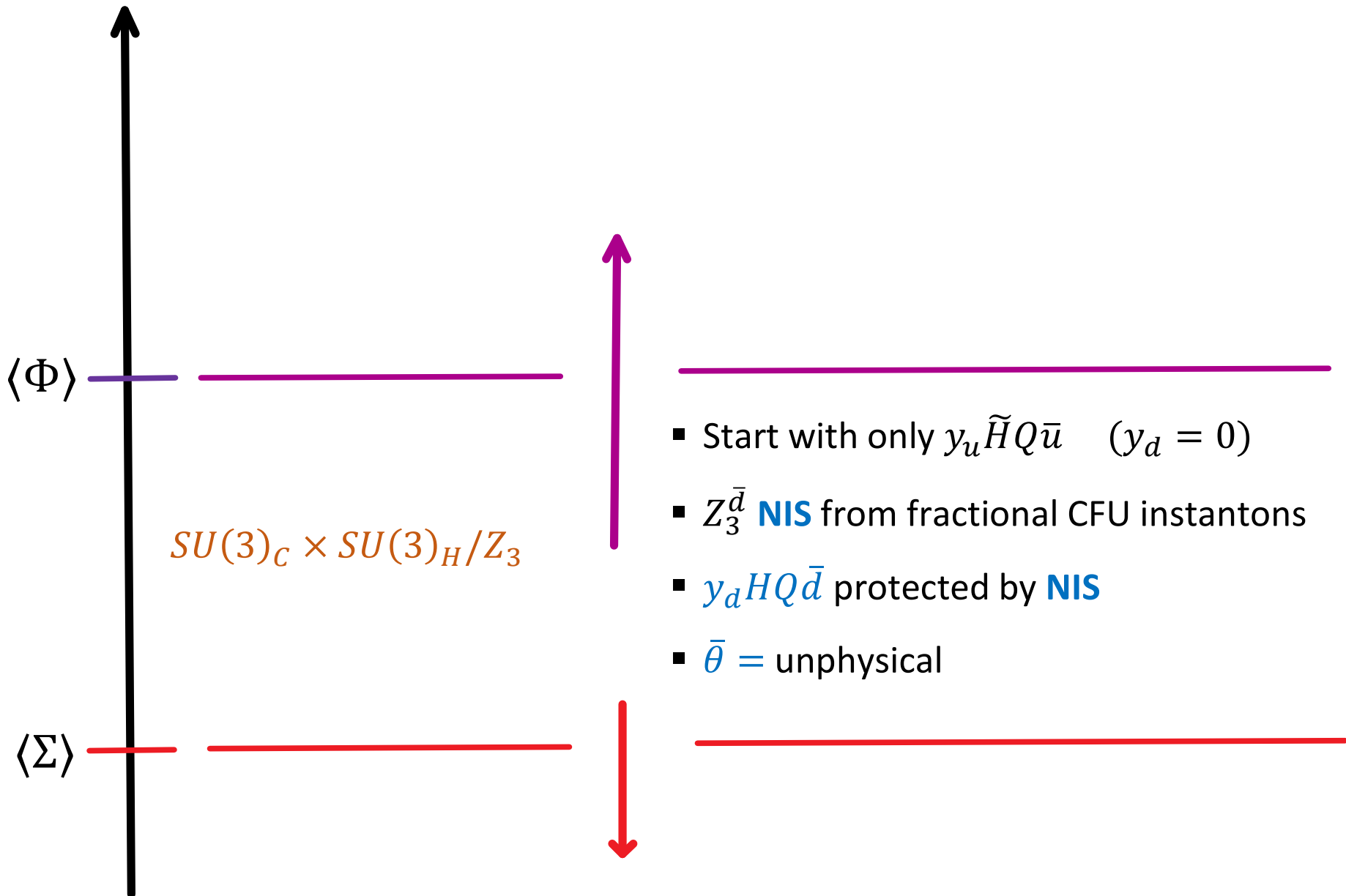
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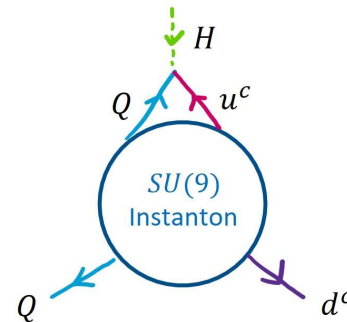
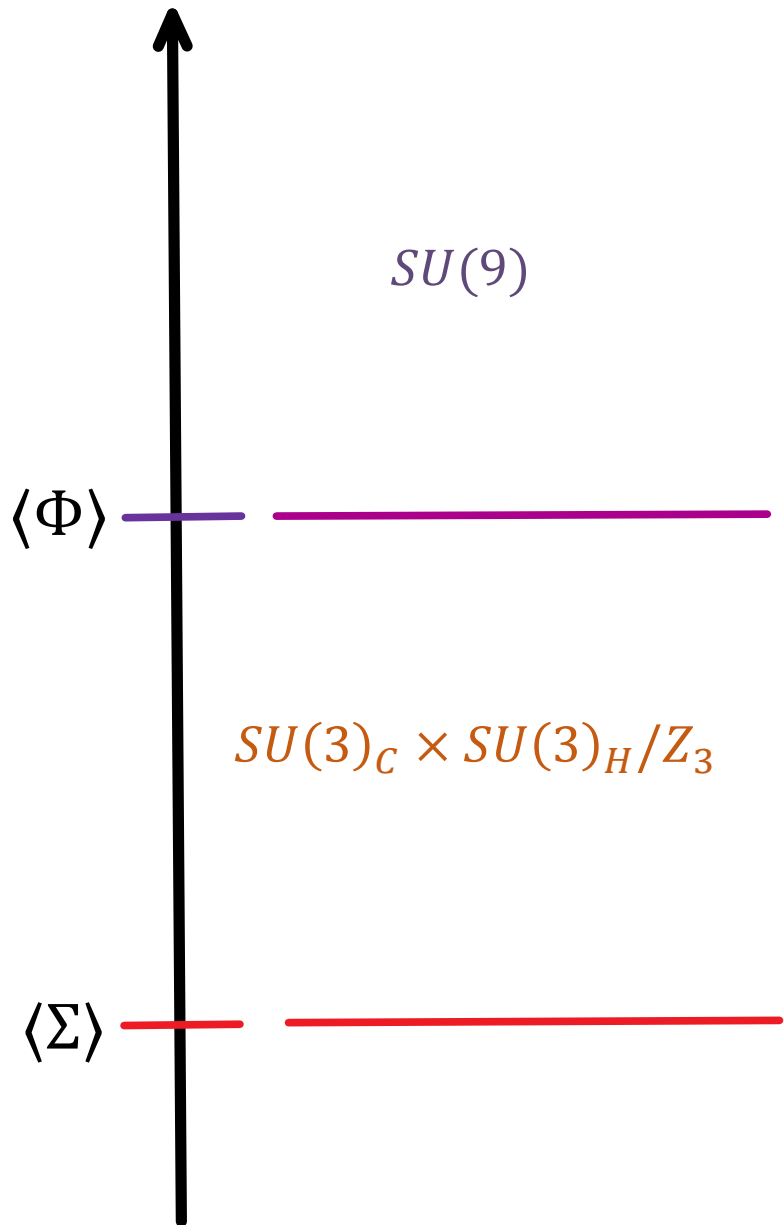


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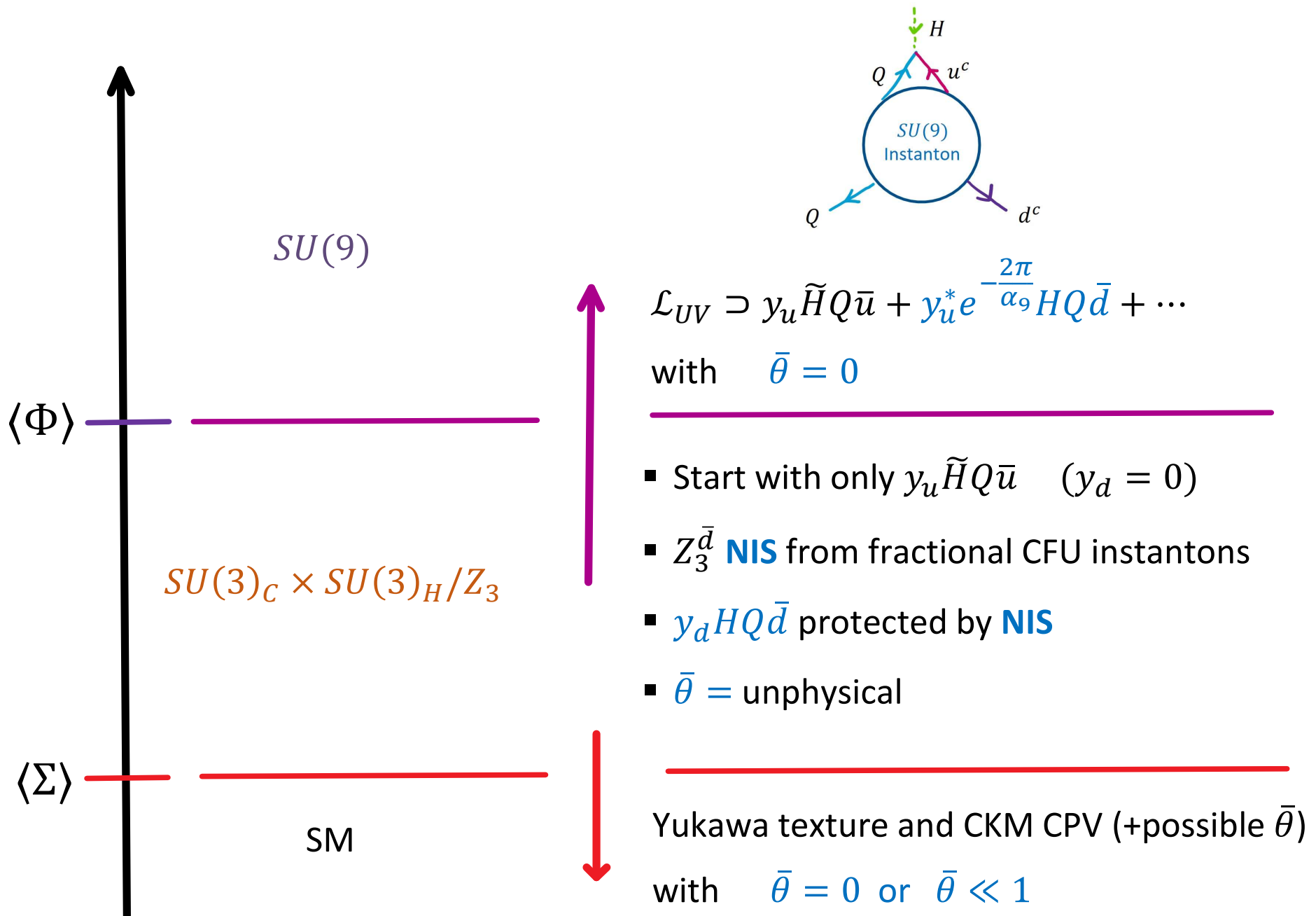


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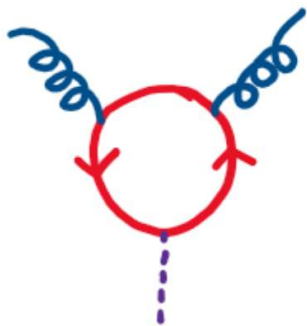
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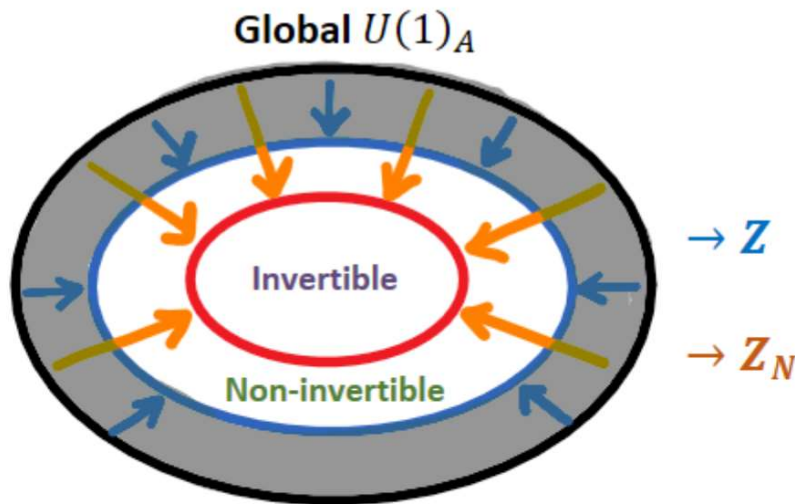
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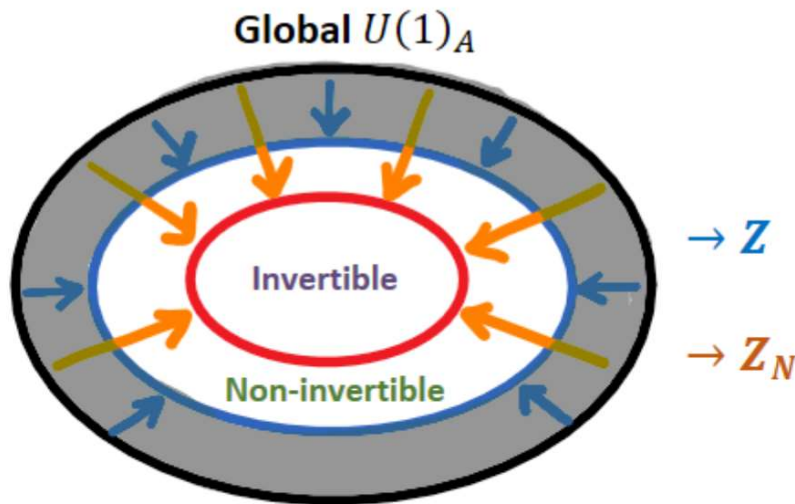
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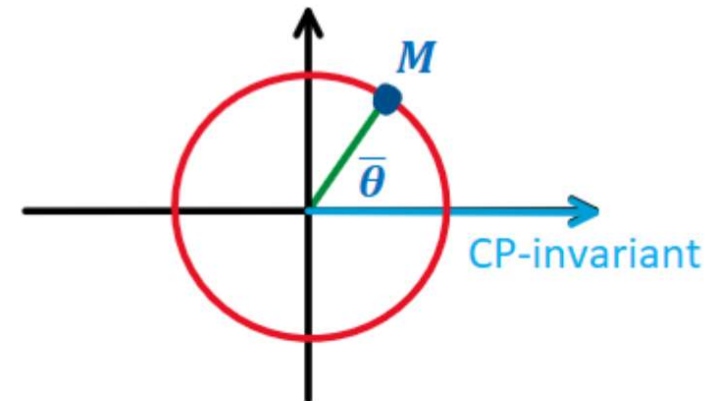
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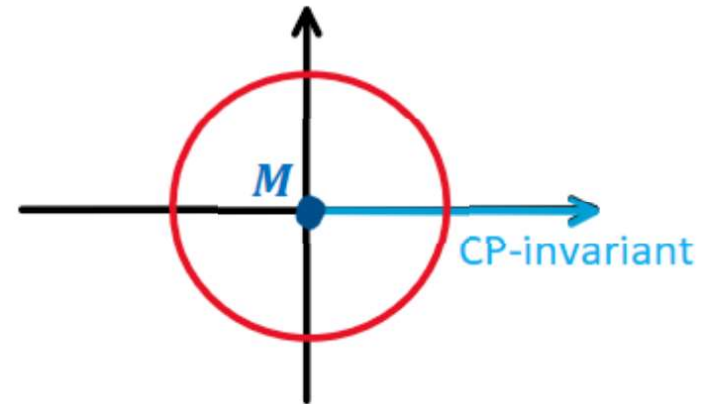
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Note: $M \equiv e^{-i\theta} \det(y_u y_d) \in \mathbb{C}$ and $CP: \text{Im}(M) \rightarrow -$

M behaves smoothly as $|M| \rightarrow 0$

CP-invariance $\leftrightarrow M \in \mathbb{R}_+$



Strong-CP Problem

3. Massless Quark Solution to the Strong CP Problem

(1) $SU(3)_C \times SU(3)_H / Z_3$: $Z_3^{\bar{d}}$ NIS

$\mathcal{L} \sim y_d H Q \bar{d}$ term is **forbidden** by $Z_3^{\bar{d}}$ **non-invertible** Peccei-Quinn symmetry

Down quarks (d, s, b) are massless if $Z_3^{\bar{d}}$ is exact.

($y_d =$ non-invertible $Z_3^{\bar{d}}$ breaking spurion (parameter))

Massless Quark Solution:

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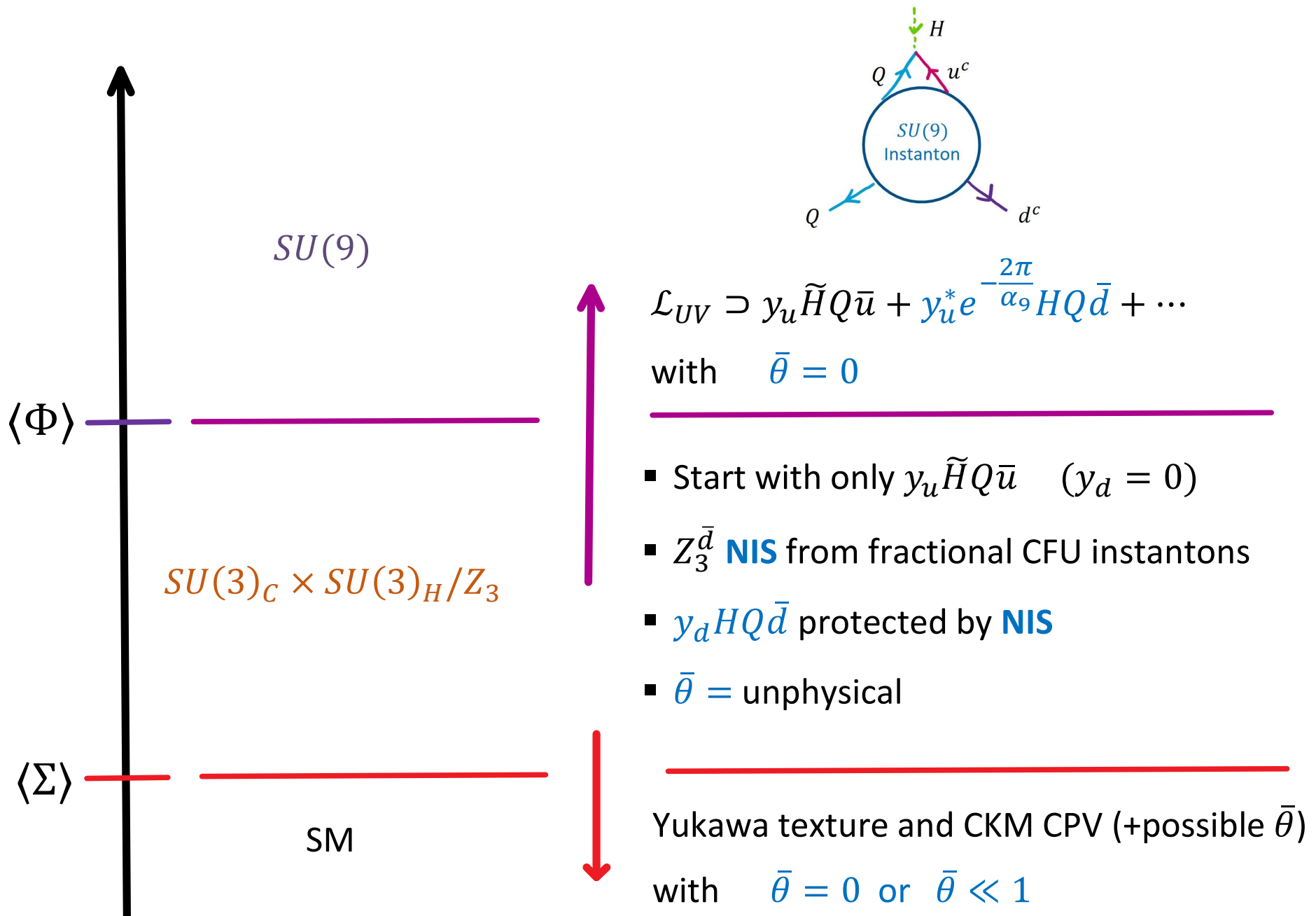
In nature, up quark seems to be massive

e.g. Chiral-PT + observed hadron mass : $m_u/m_d \sim 0.6$

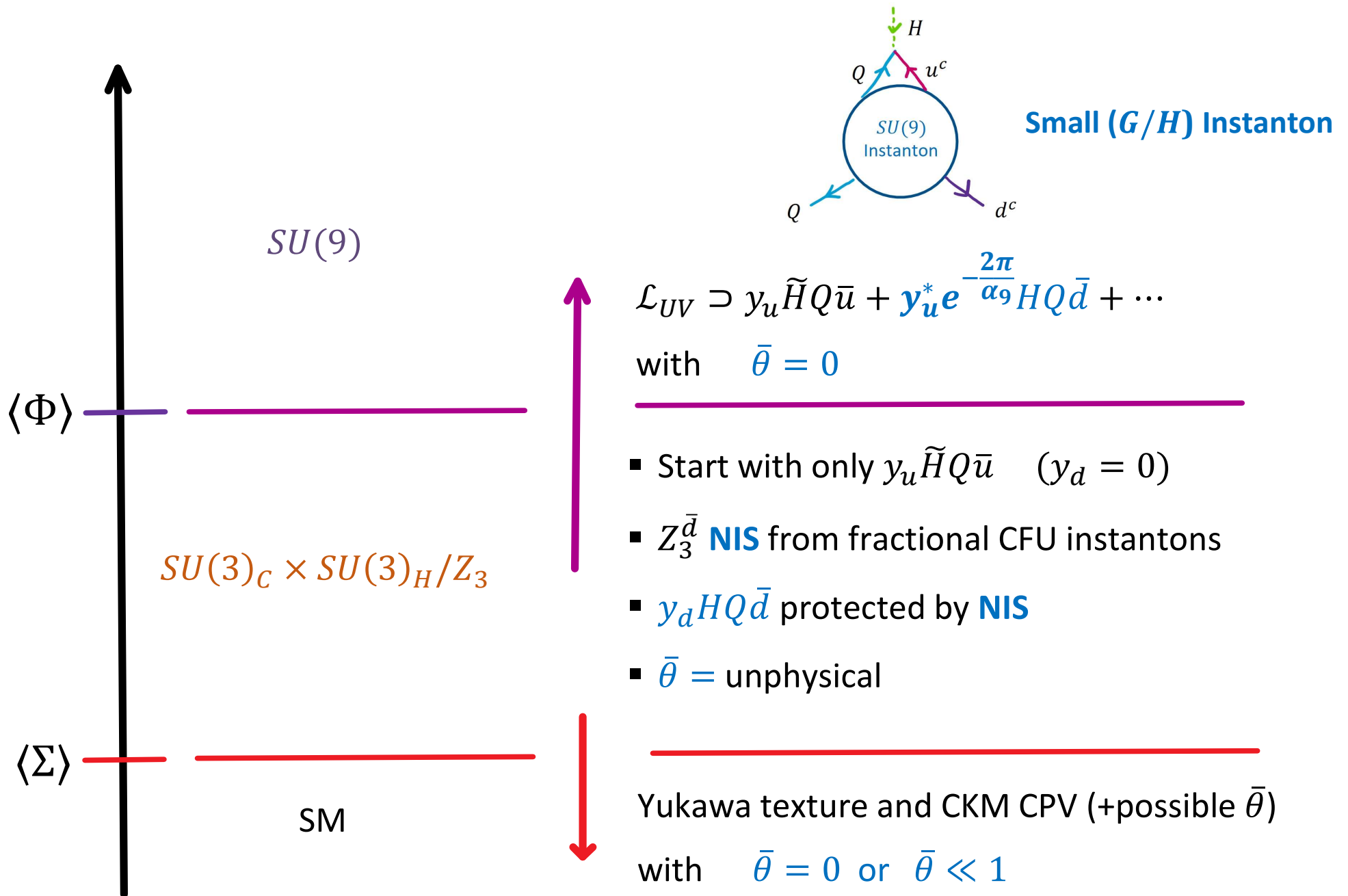
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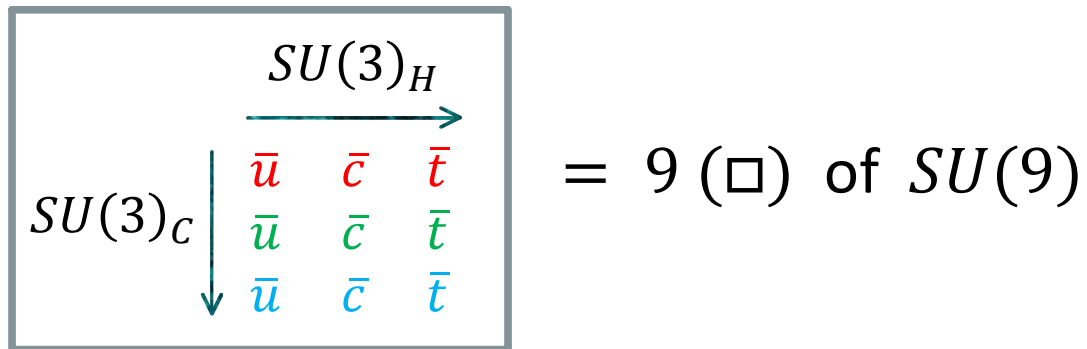
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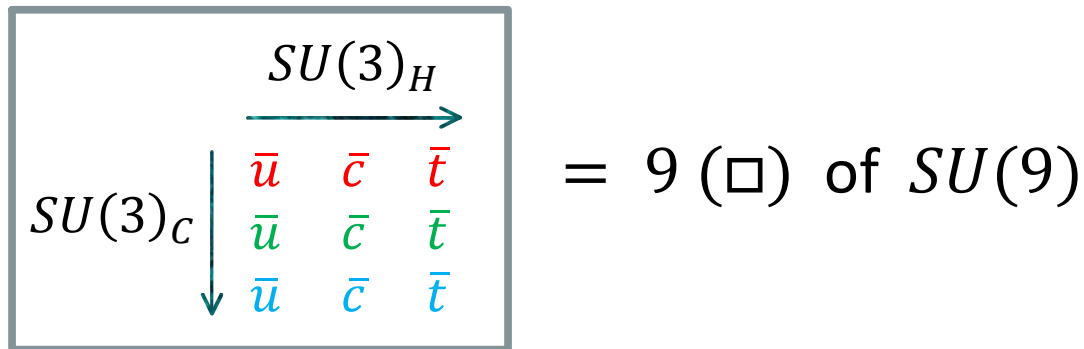
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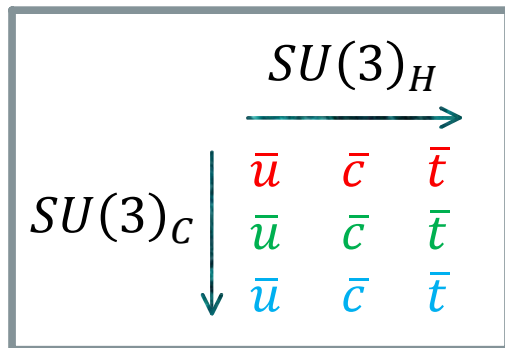


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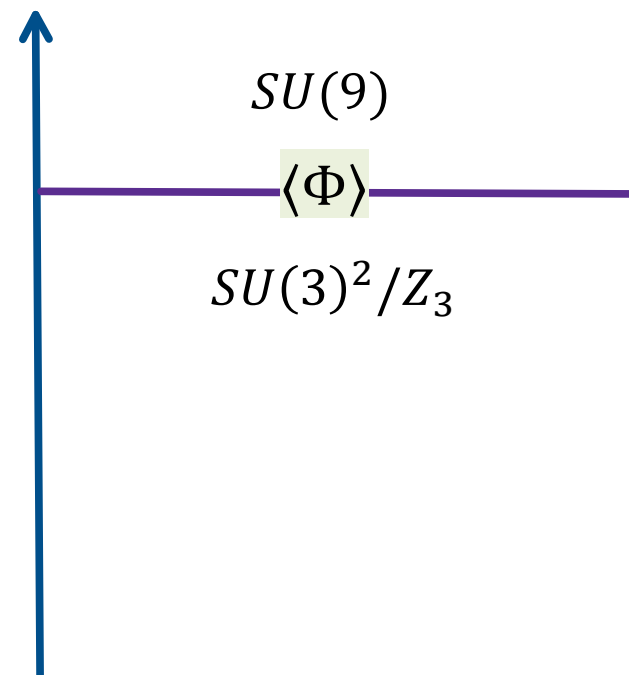
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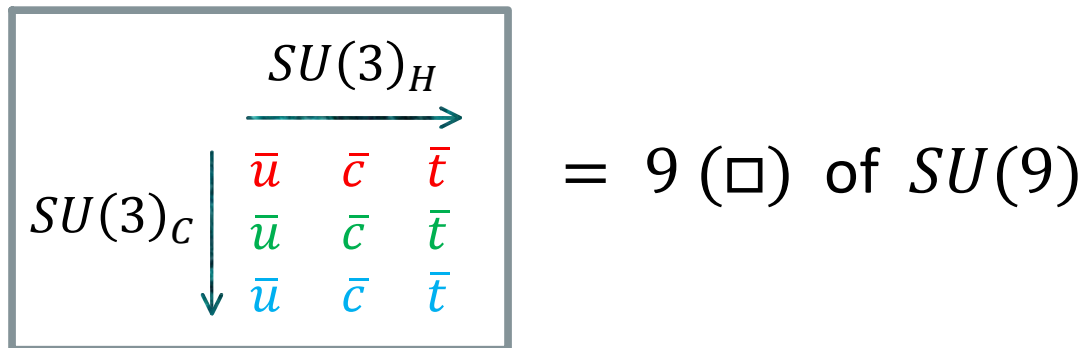
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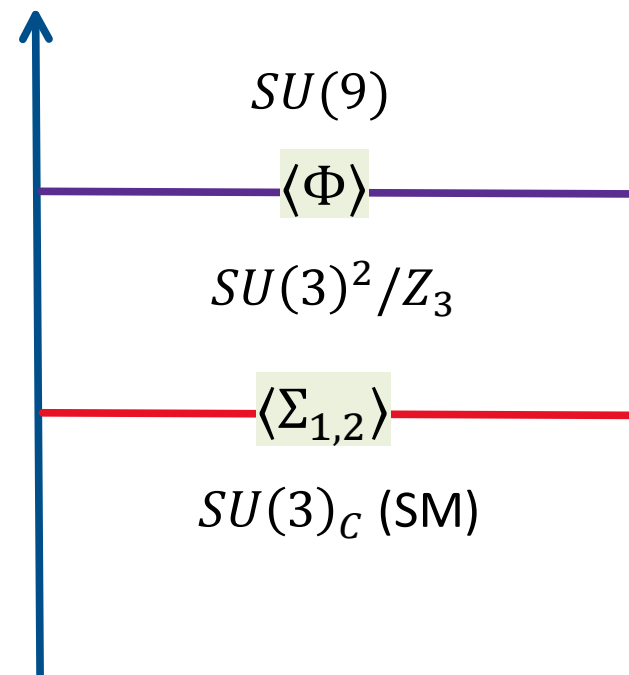
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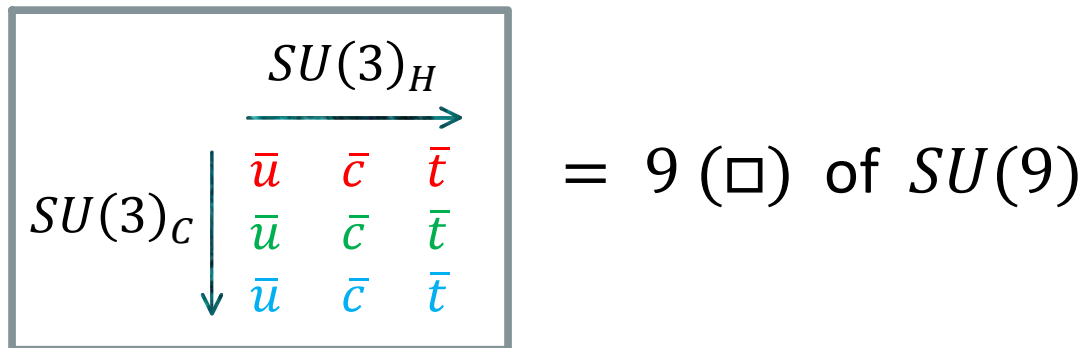
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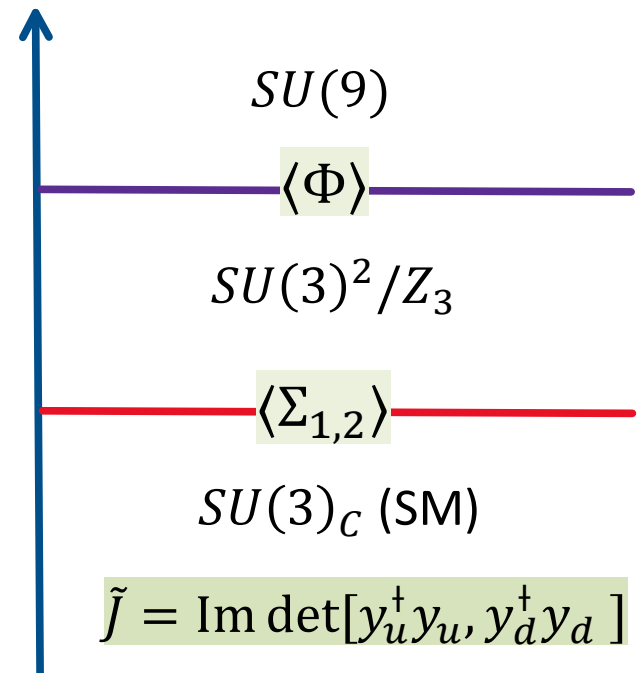
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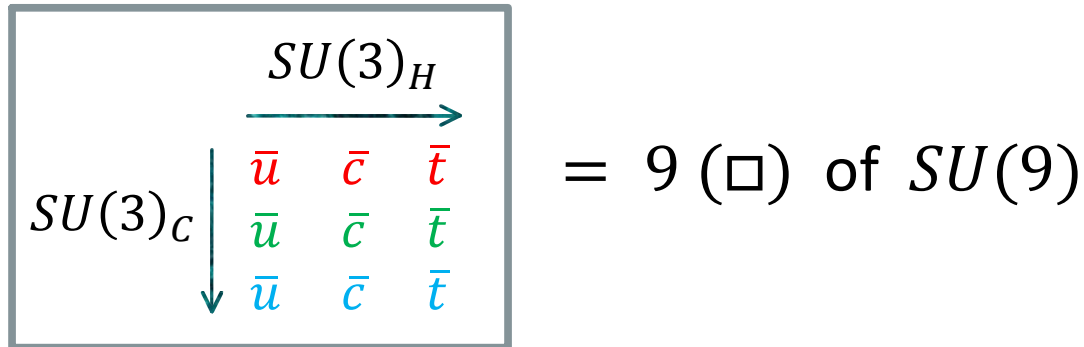
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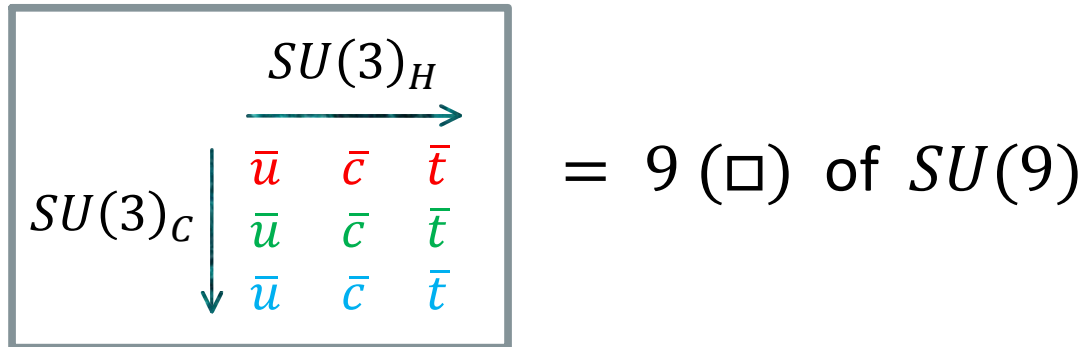
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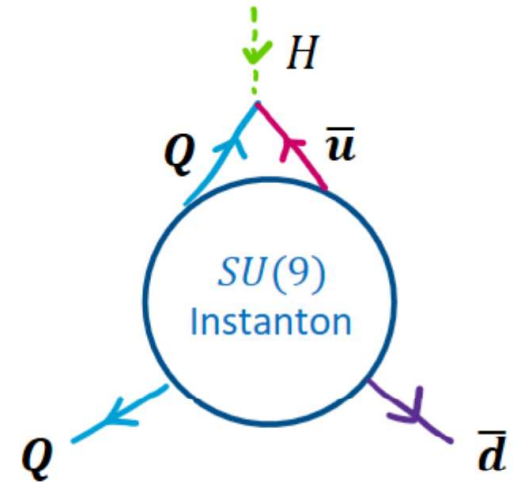
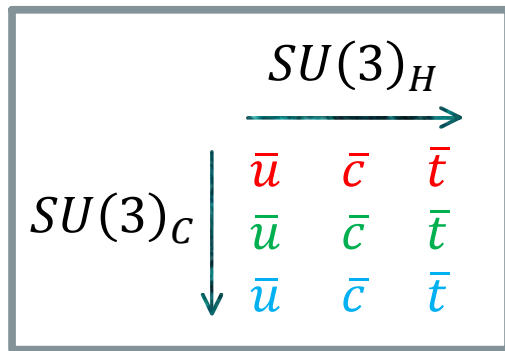
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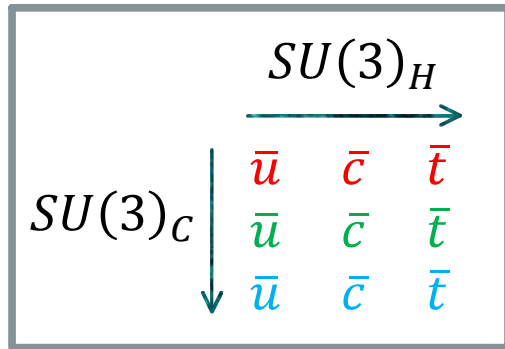
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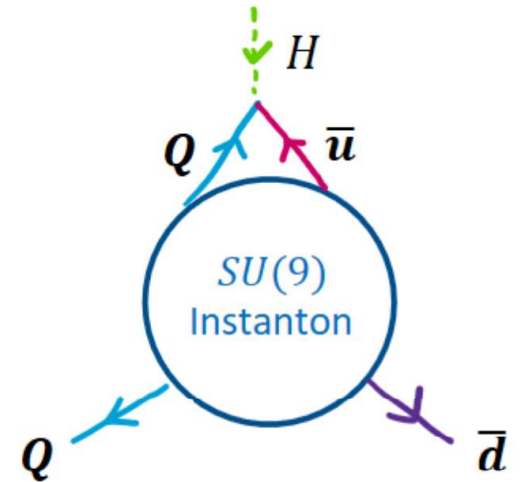
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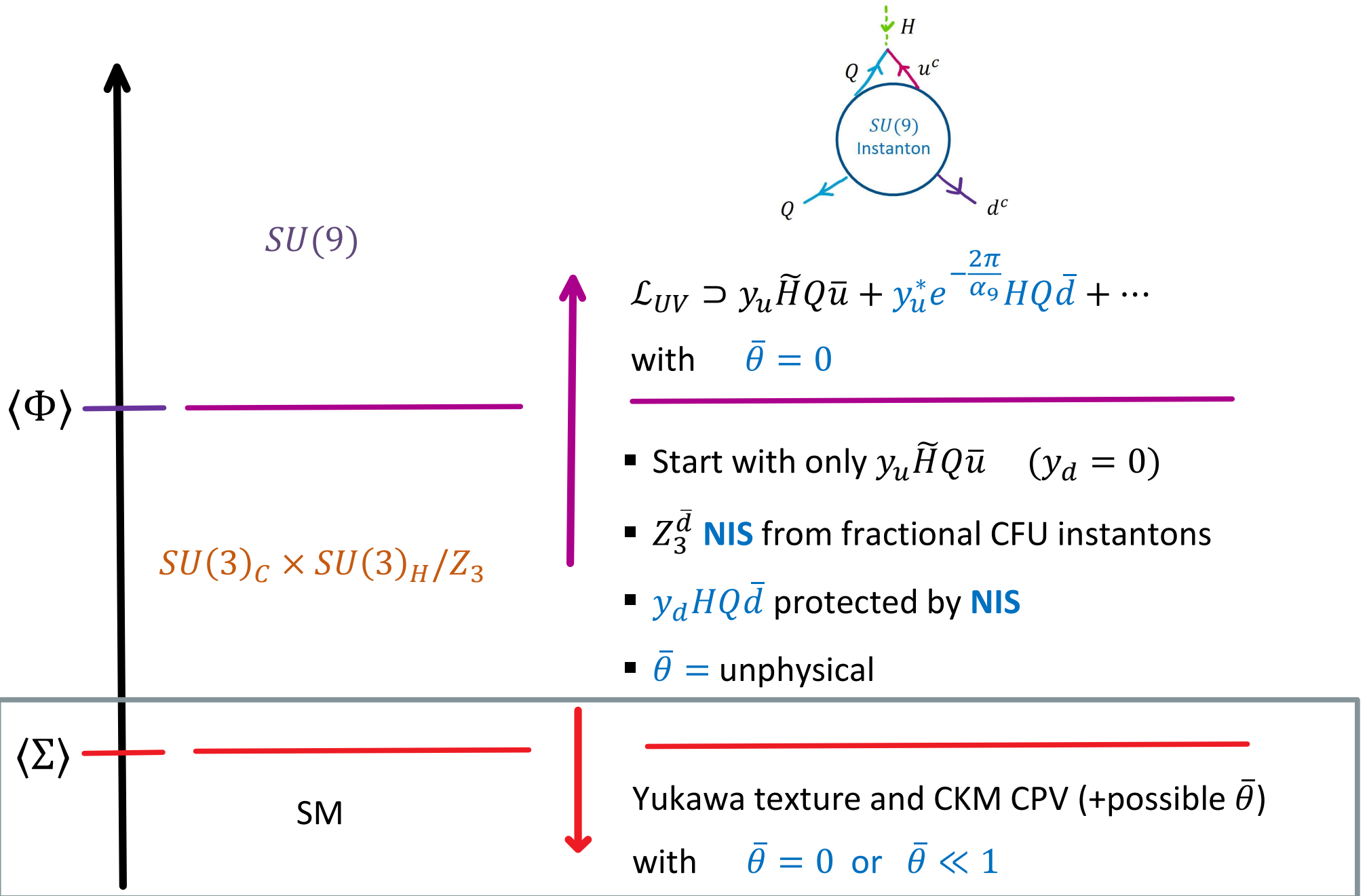
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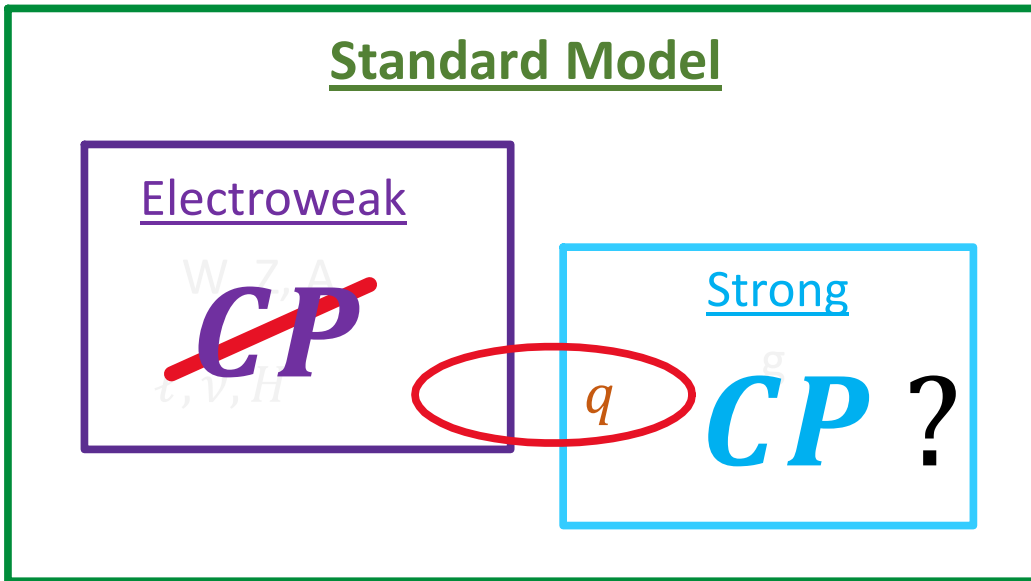
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Neutron Electric Dipole Moment

$$d_n \sim 3 \times 10^{16} \bar{\theta} \rightarrow \bar{\theta} < 10^{-10}$$

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vs

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\Rightarrow **Our mechanism:** generate **Hermitian Yukawas**

(I) all CPV in scalar sector

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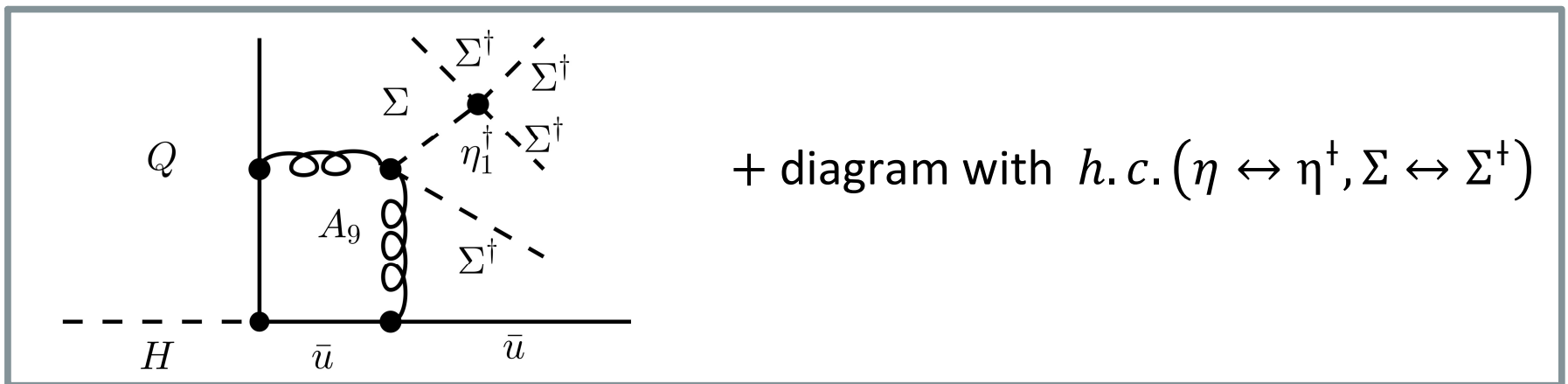
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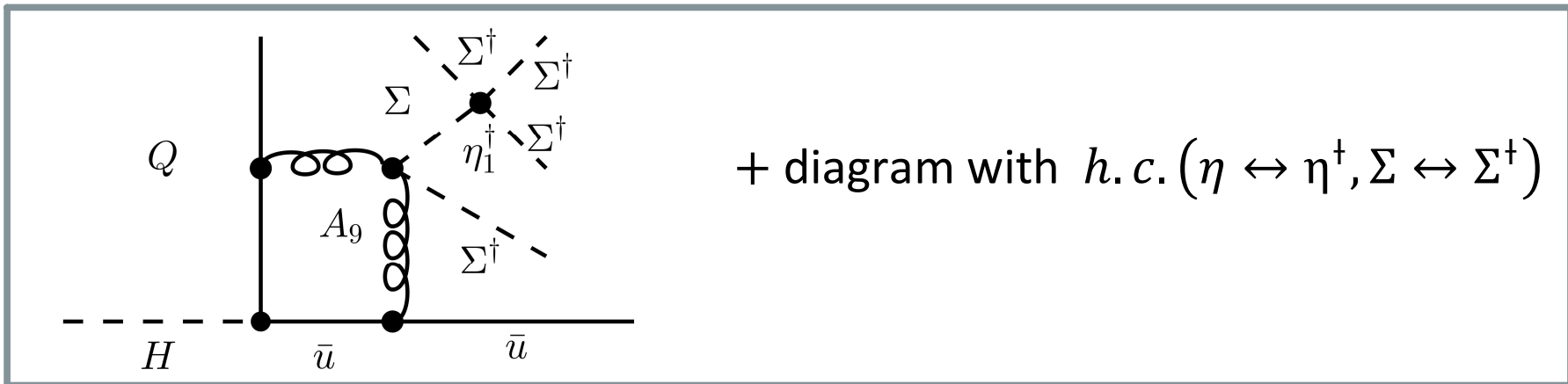


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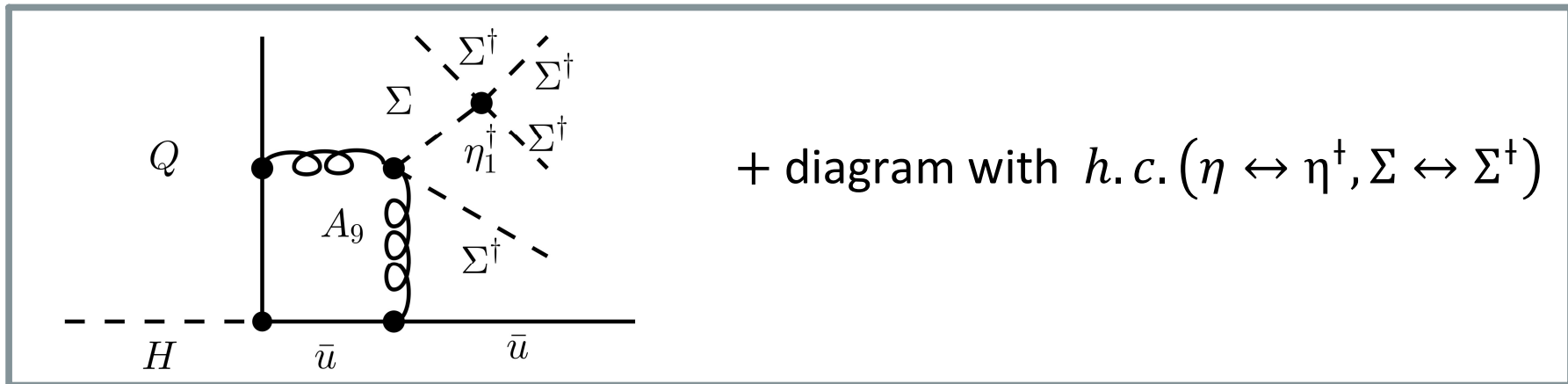


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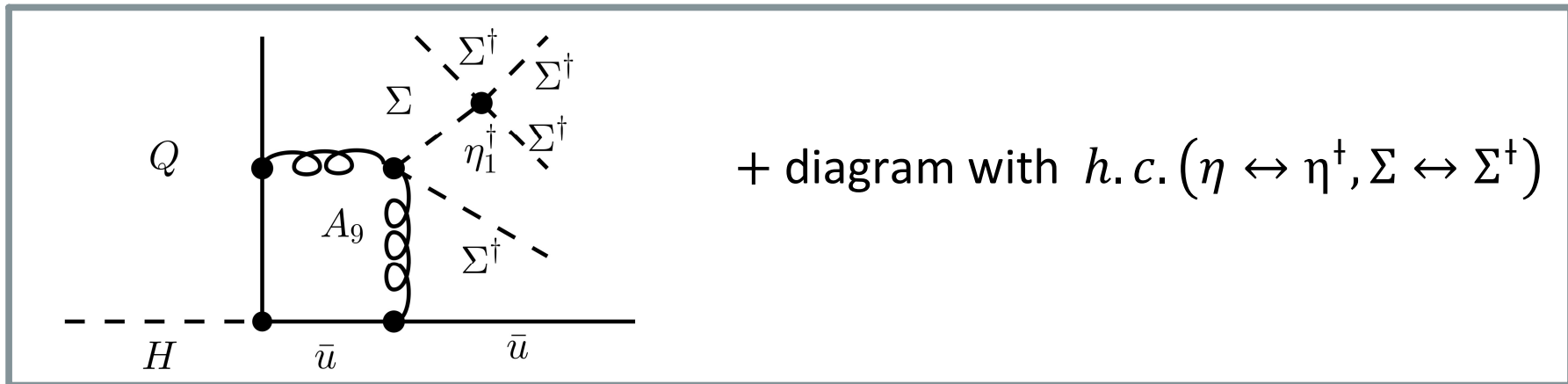
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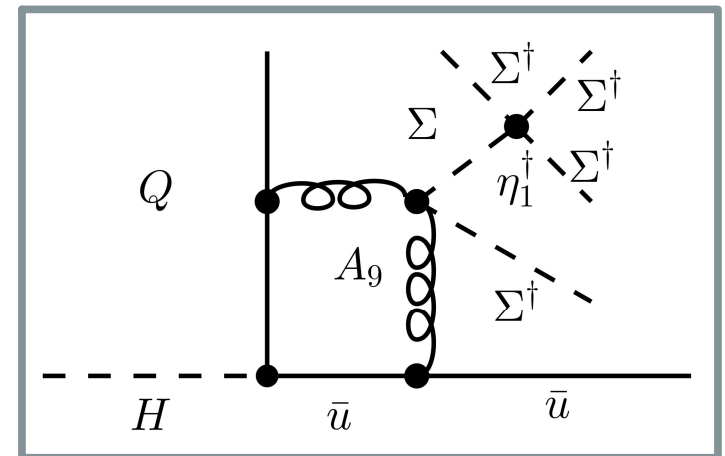
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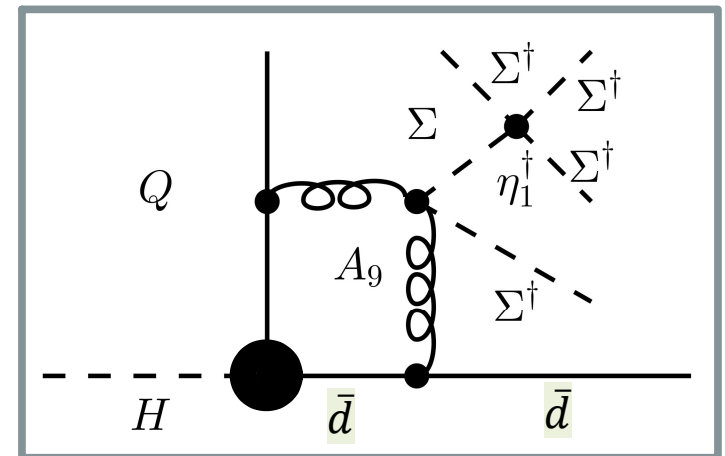
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- Use χ rotation to set $\lambda_d \in \mathbb{R}$
- $c_{1,2} \in \mathbb{R}$
- $a_{1,2} \in \mathbb{C} \rightarrow a_1^2 a_2^\dagger, \eta_1^\dagger a_2^2$: new CPV source
- $a_{1,2} = 0$ if Z_4^Σ is imposed
(again, our mechanism works regardless)

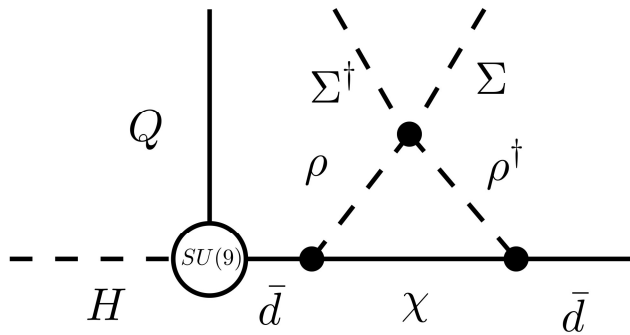
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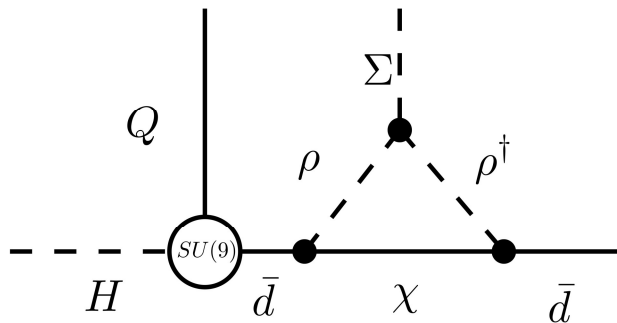
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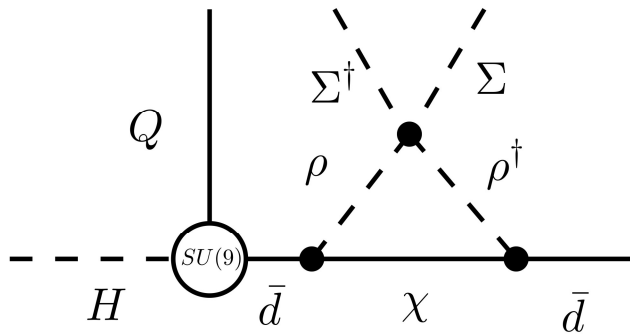
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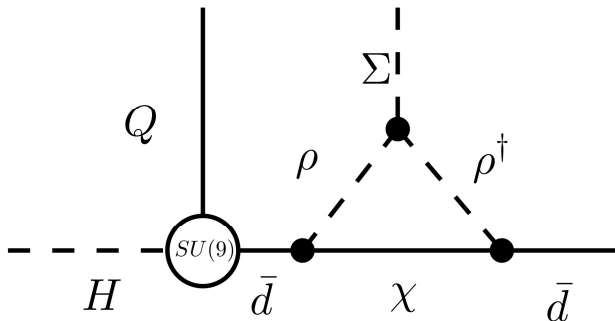
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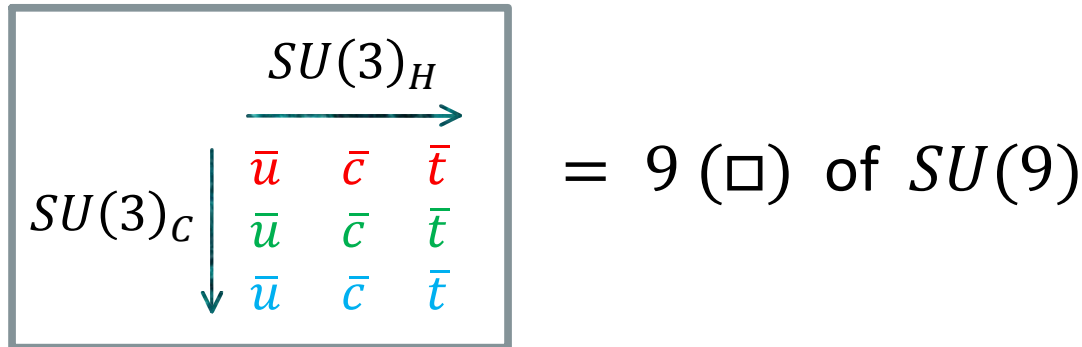
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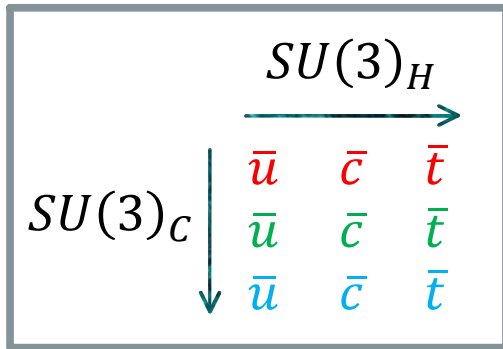
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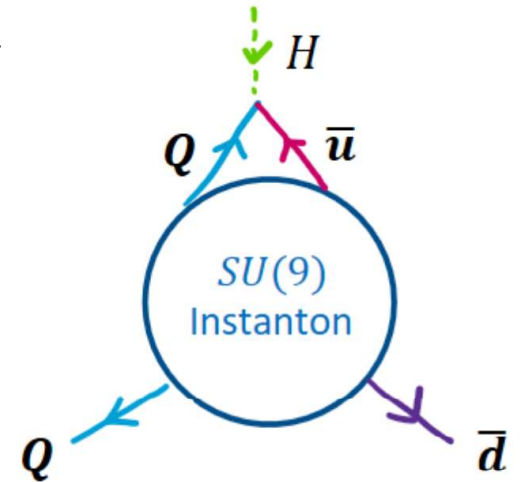
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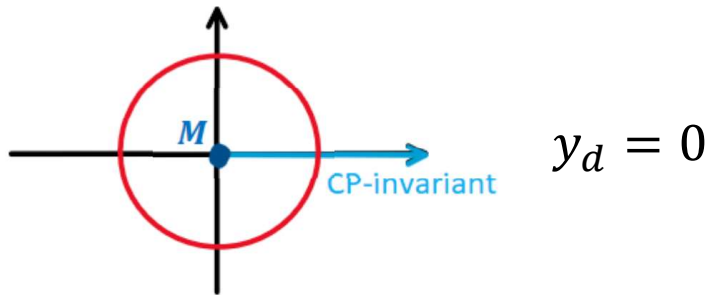
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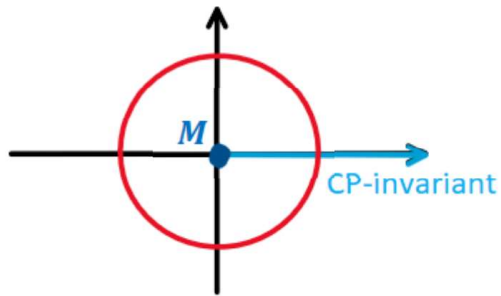
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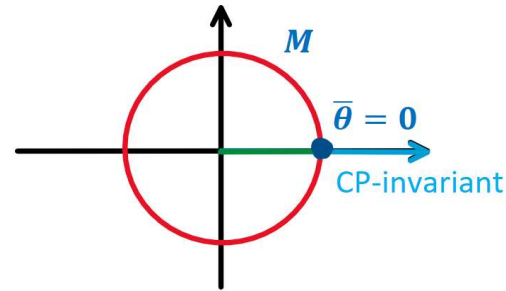


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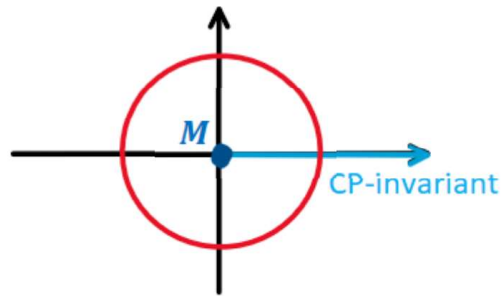
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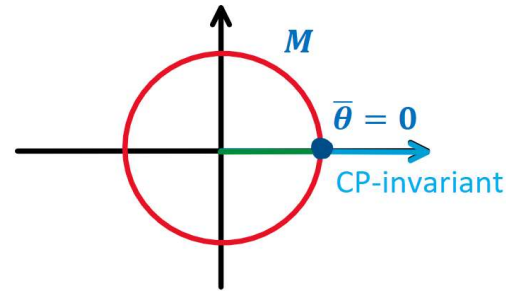
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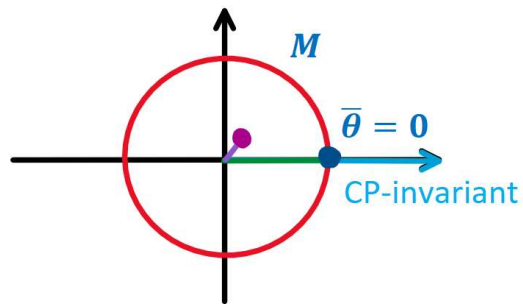
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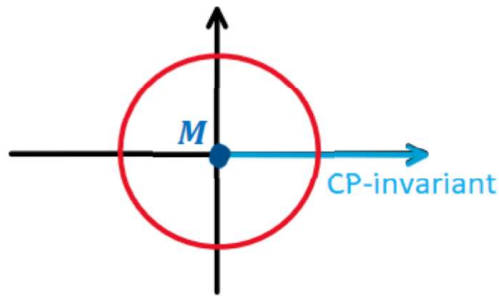
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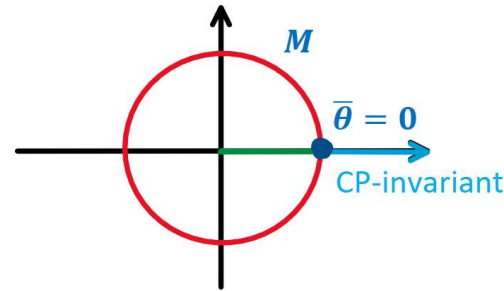
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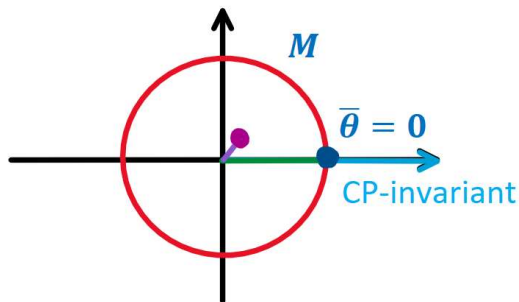
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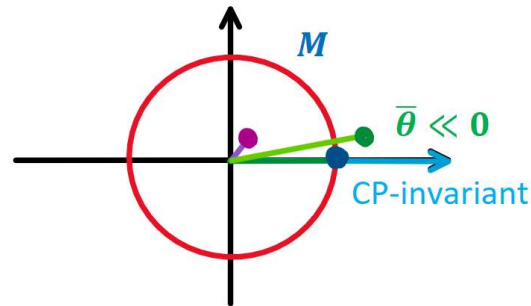
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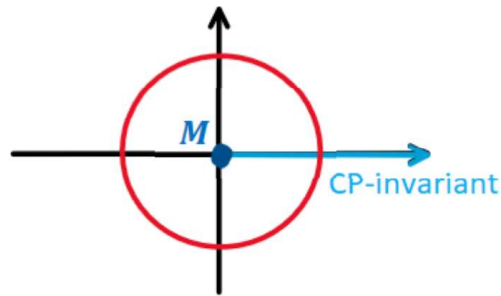
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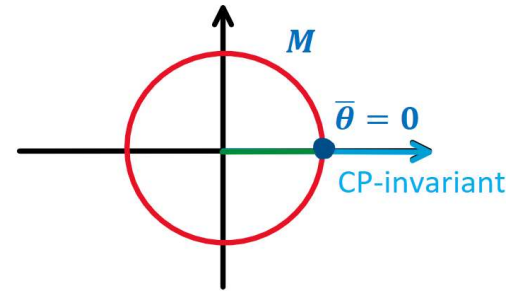
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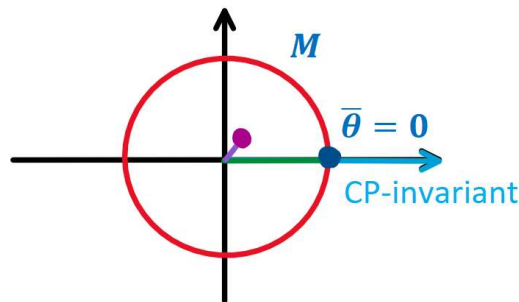
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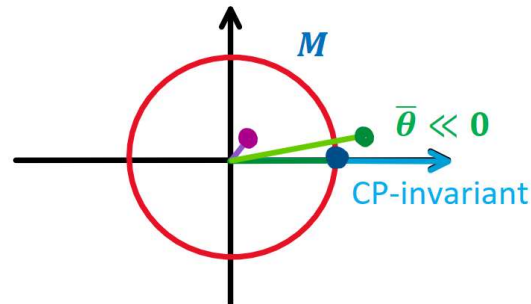
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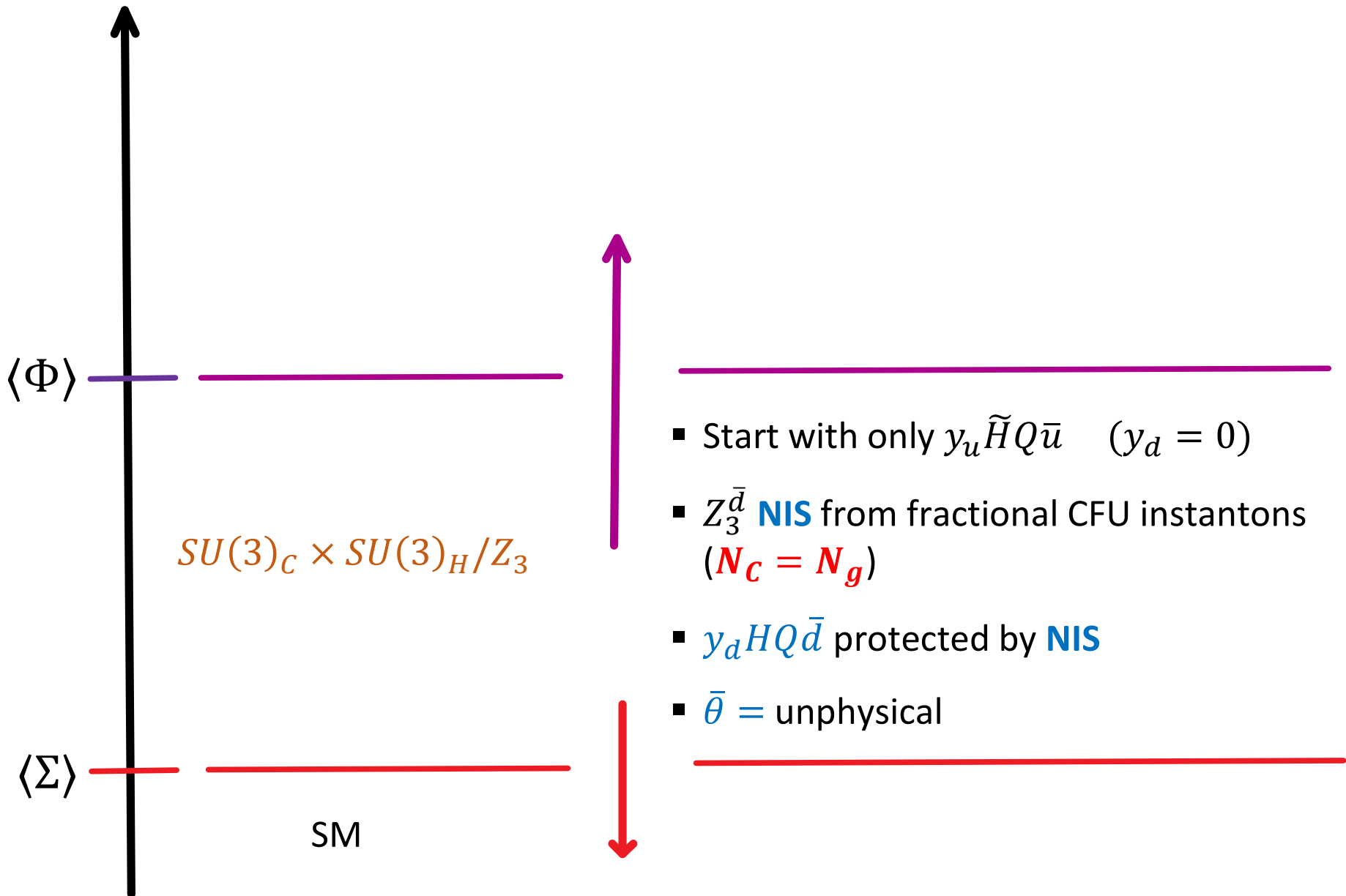
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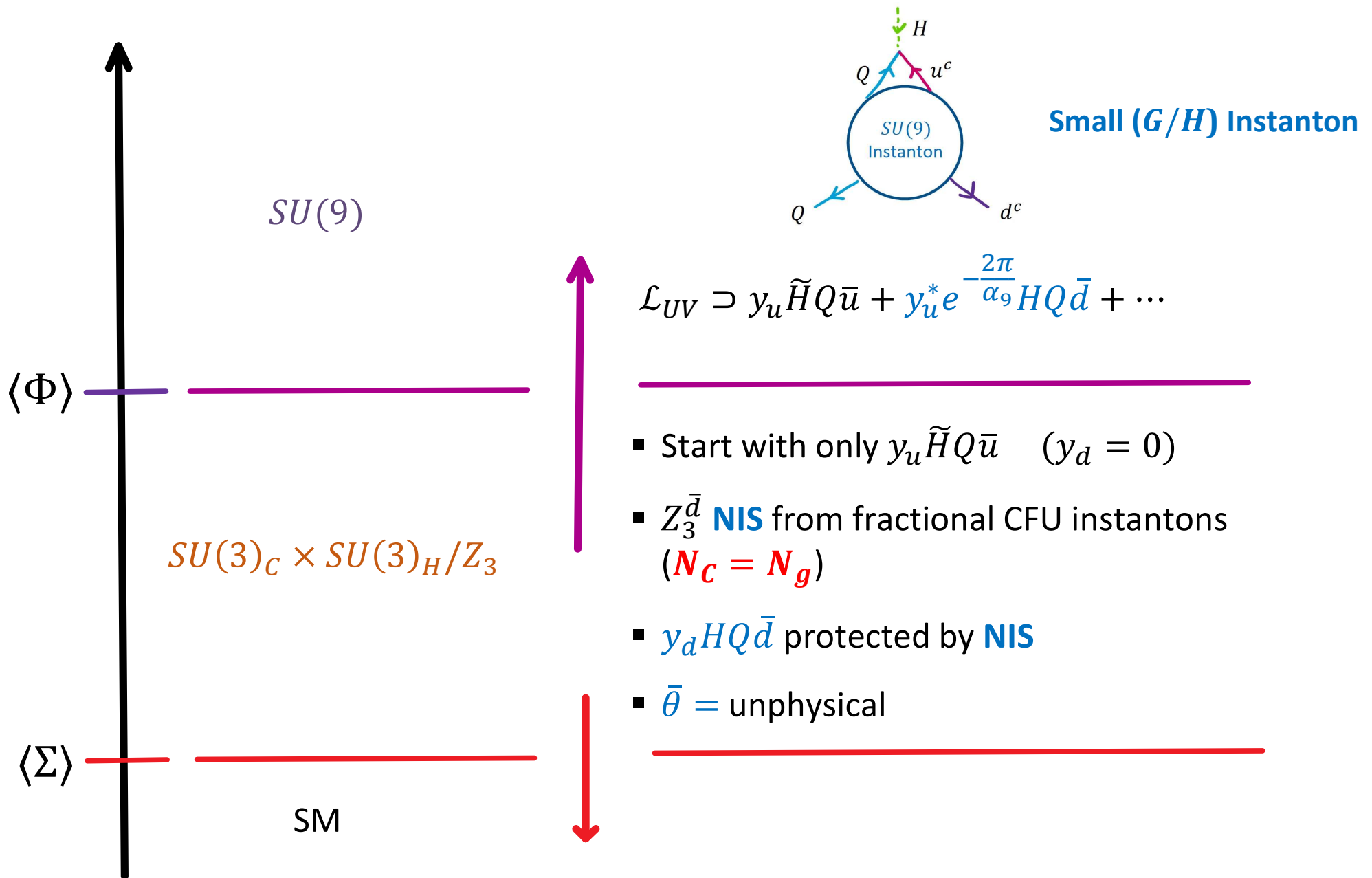
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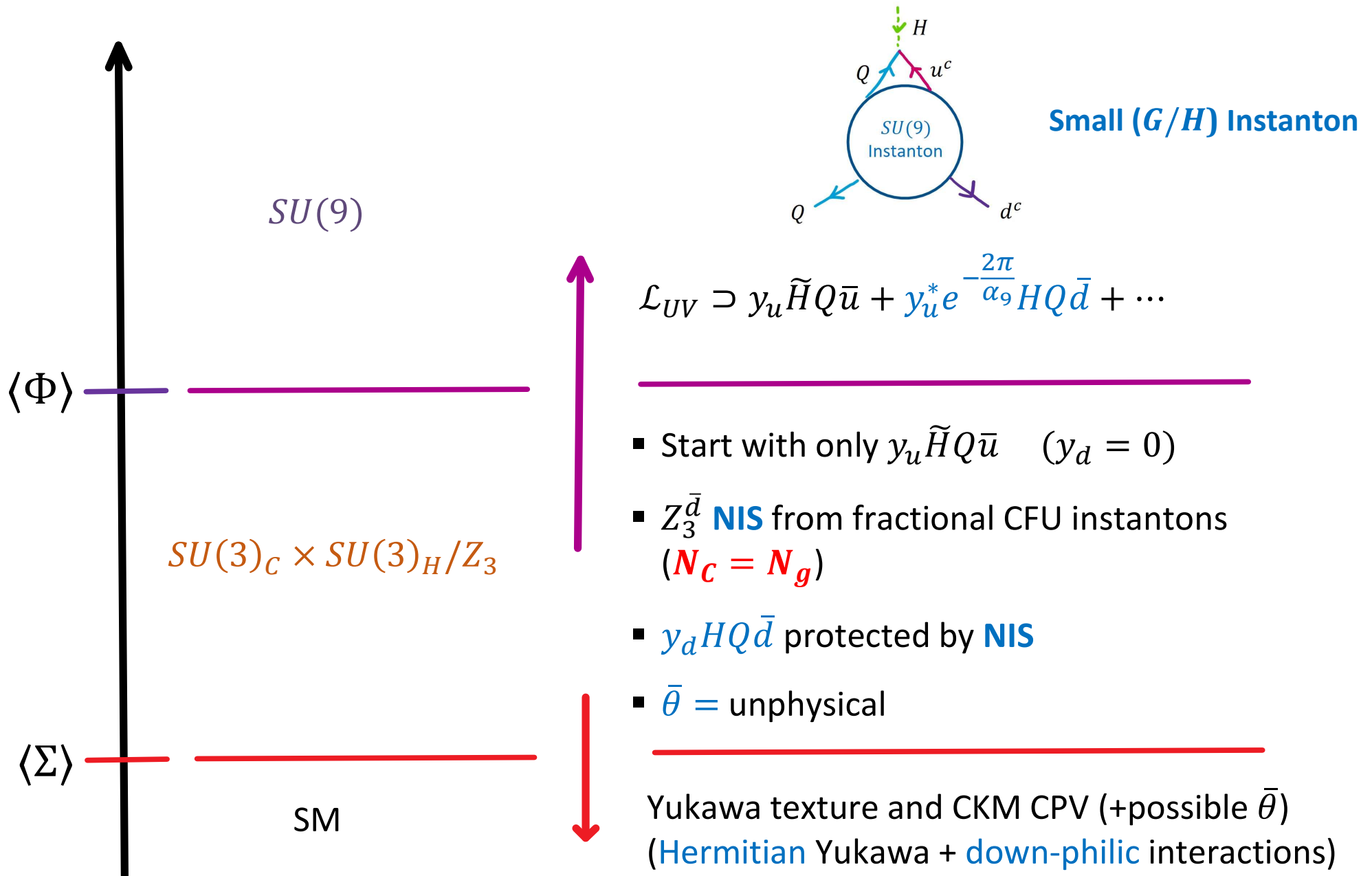
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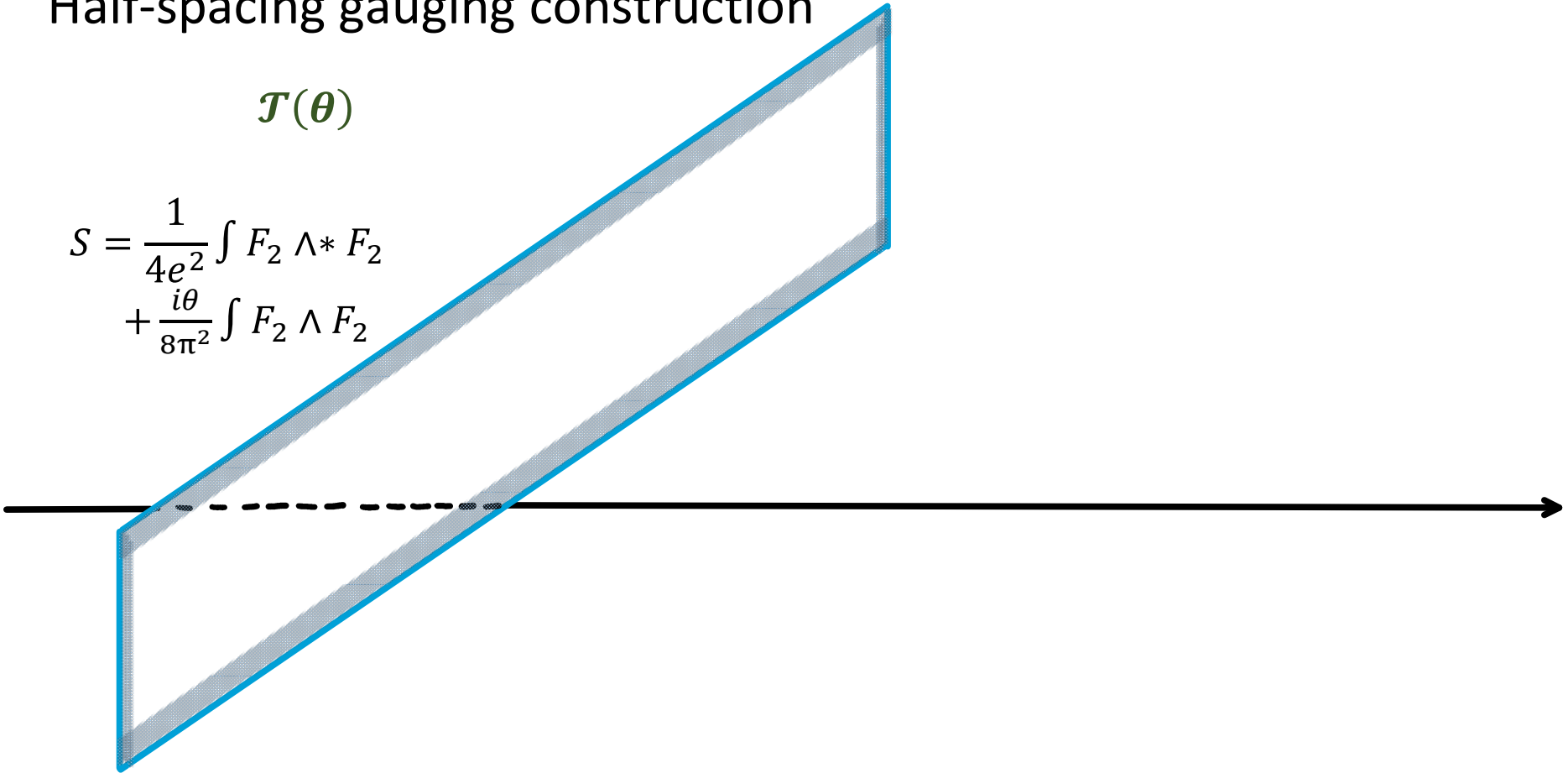
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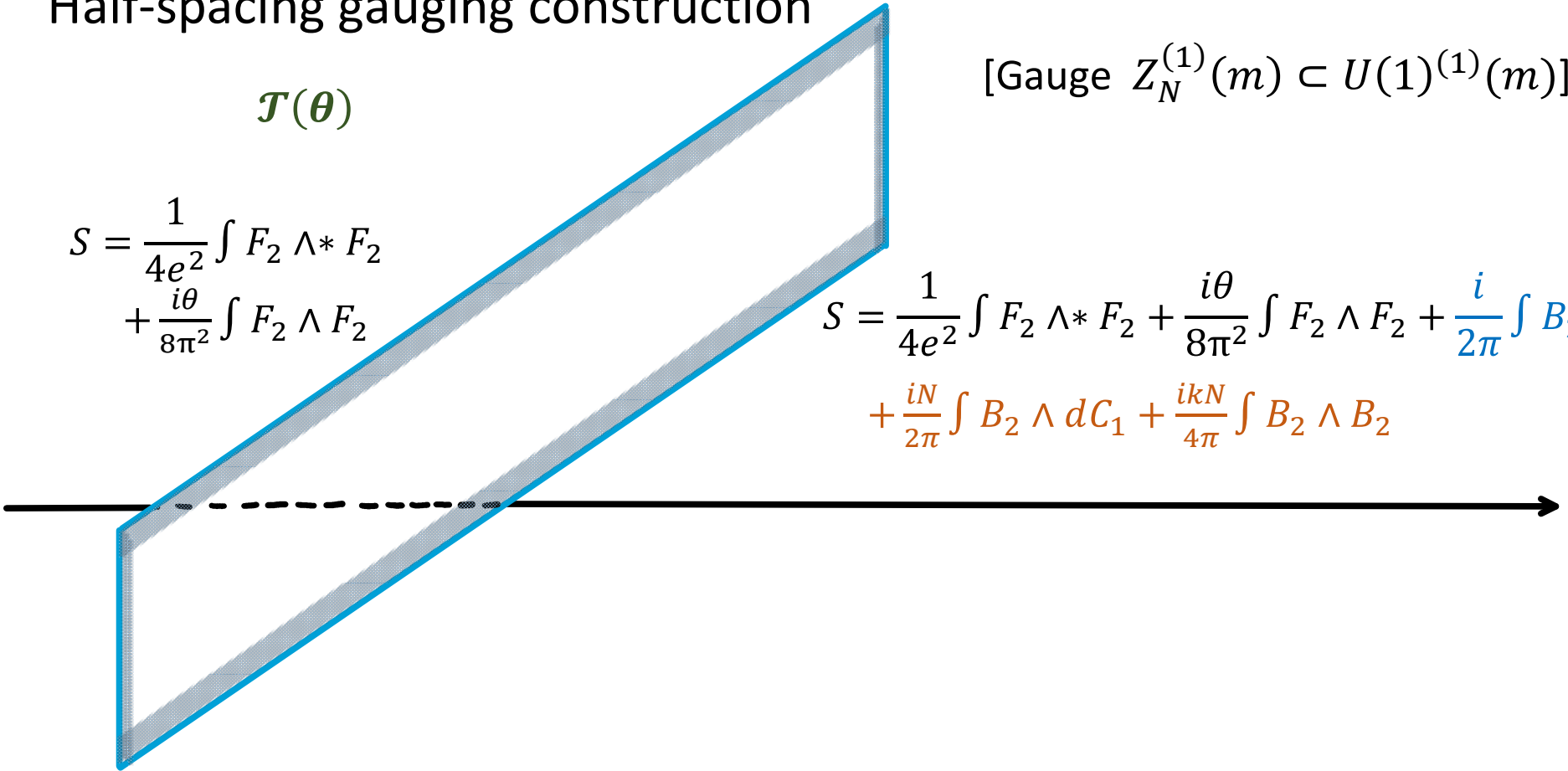
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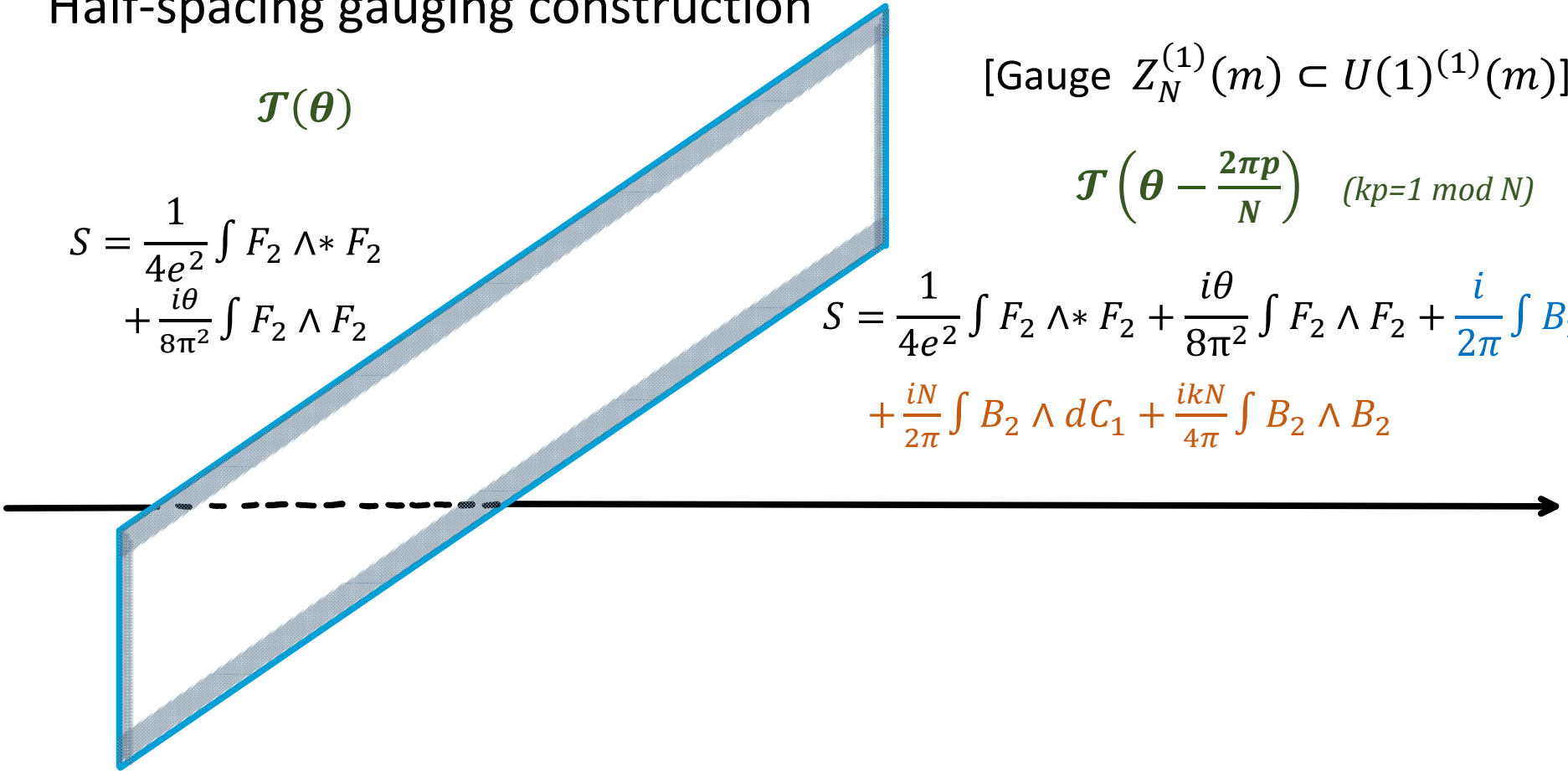
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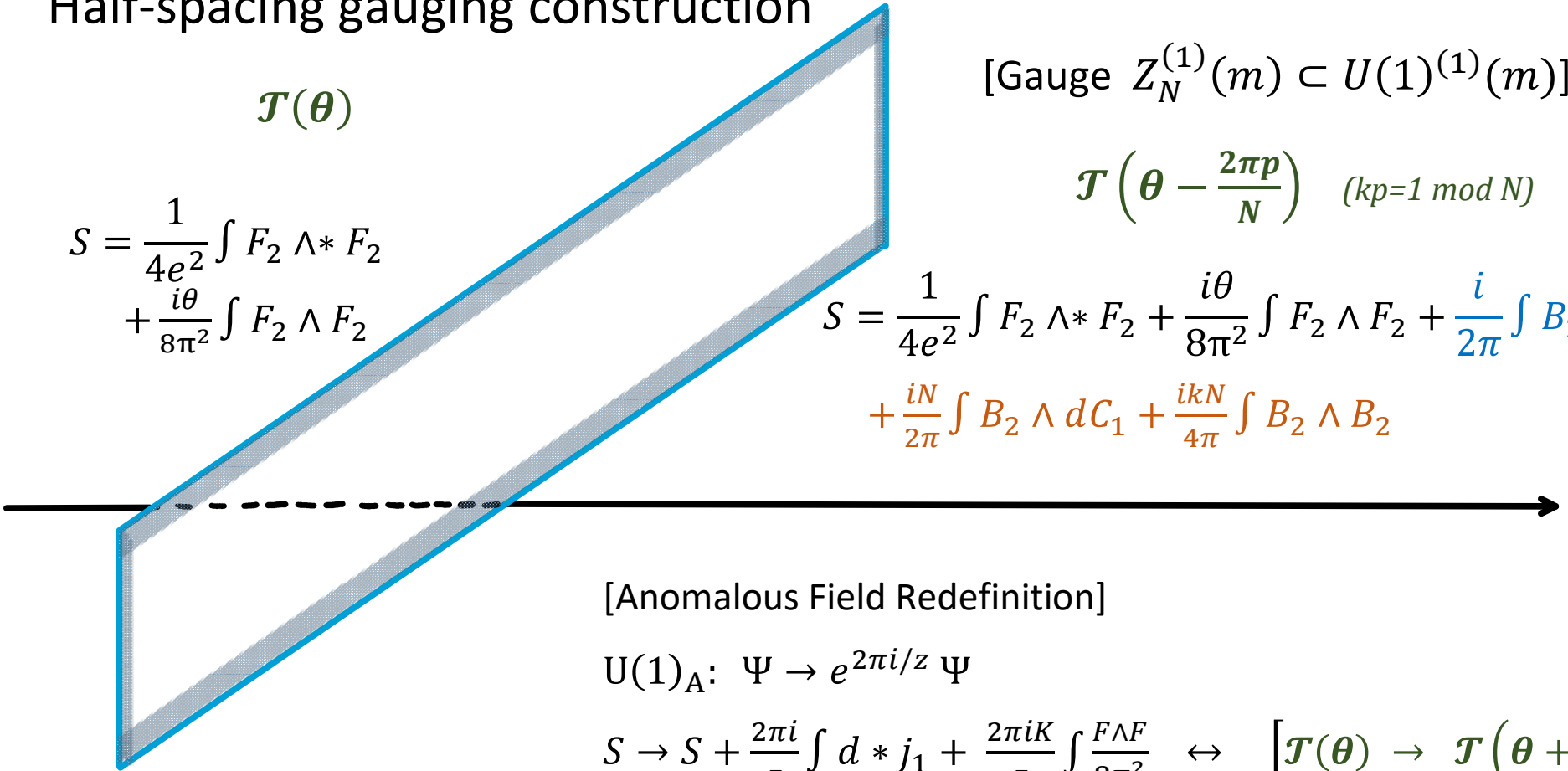
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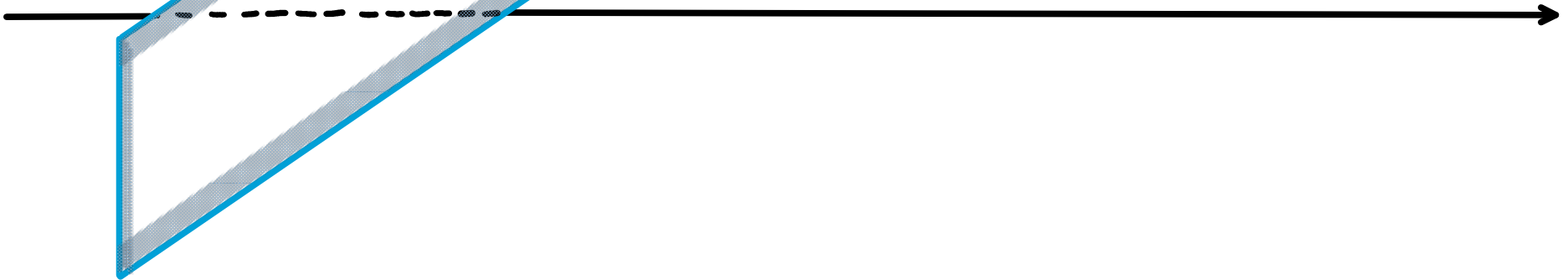
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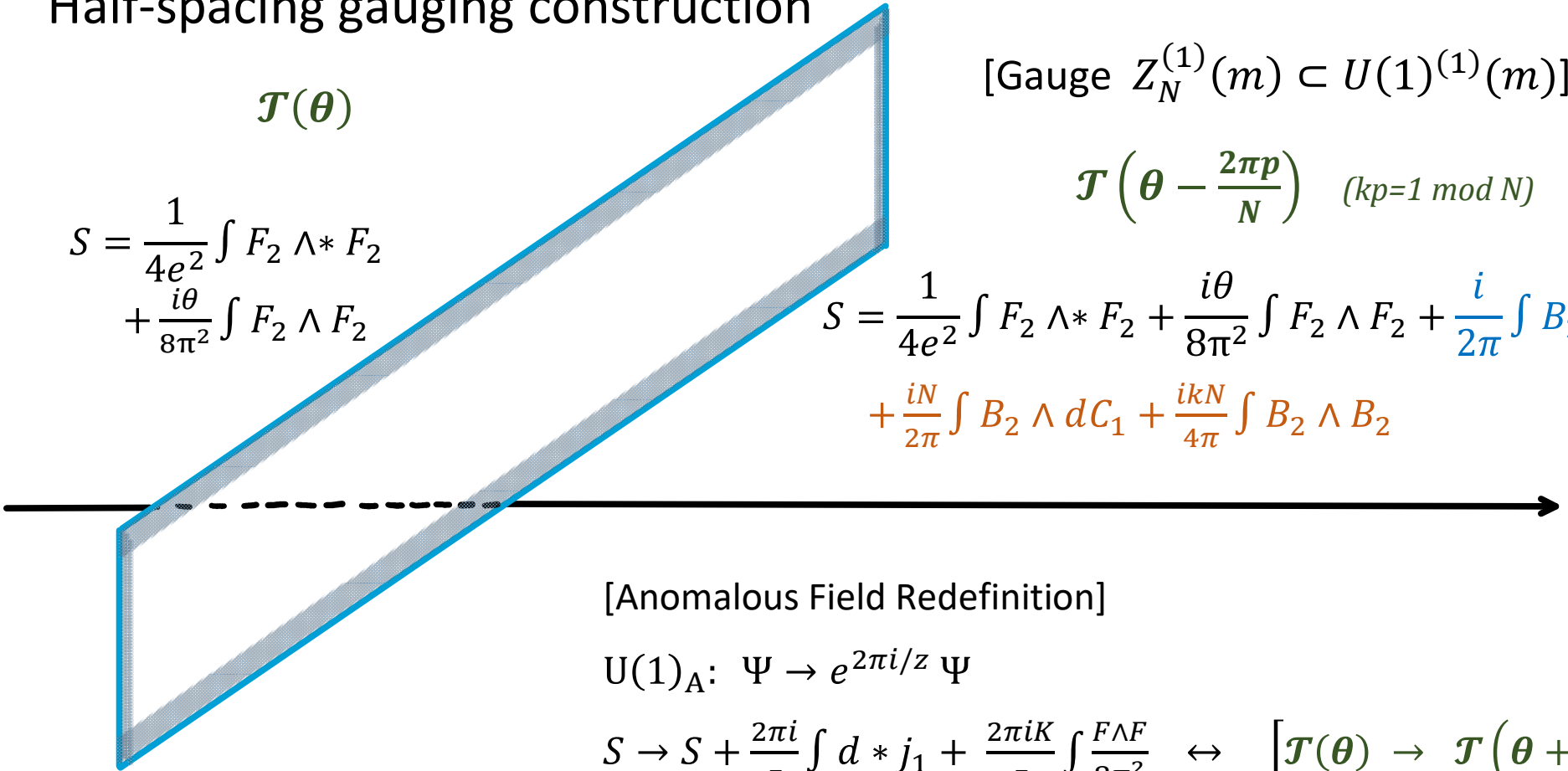
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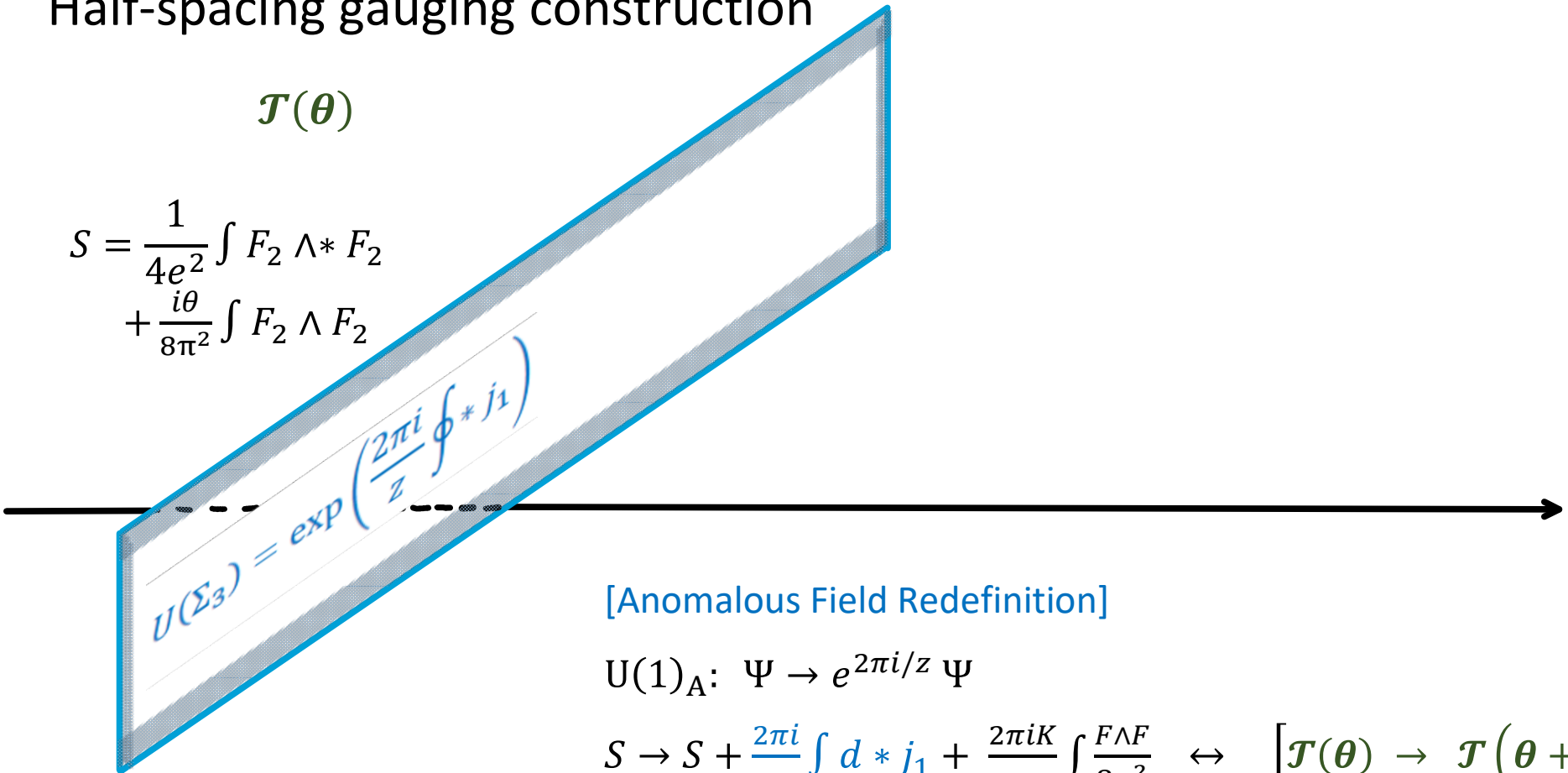
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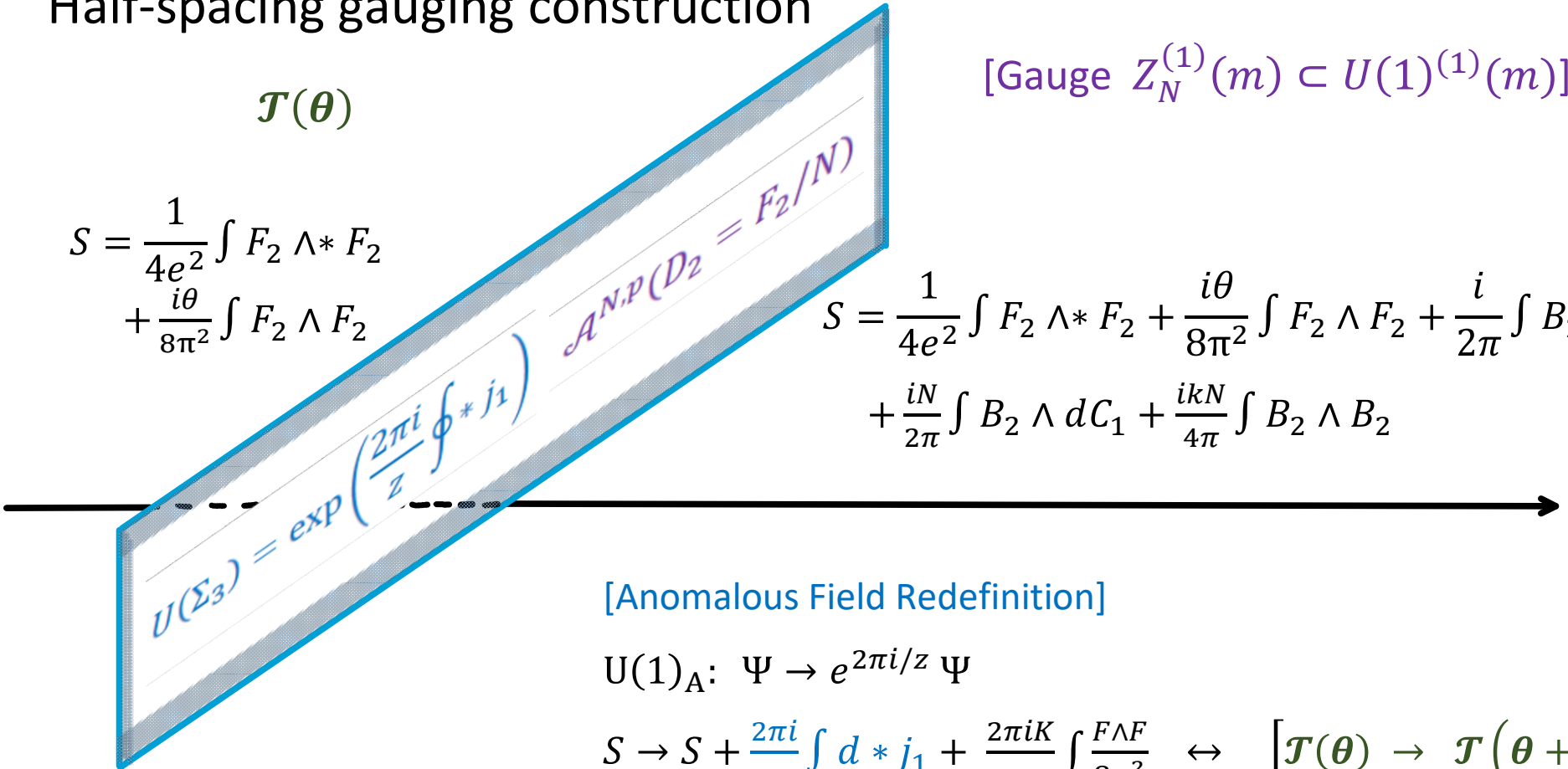
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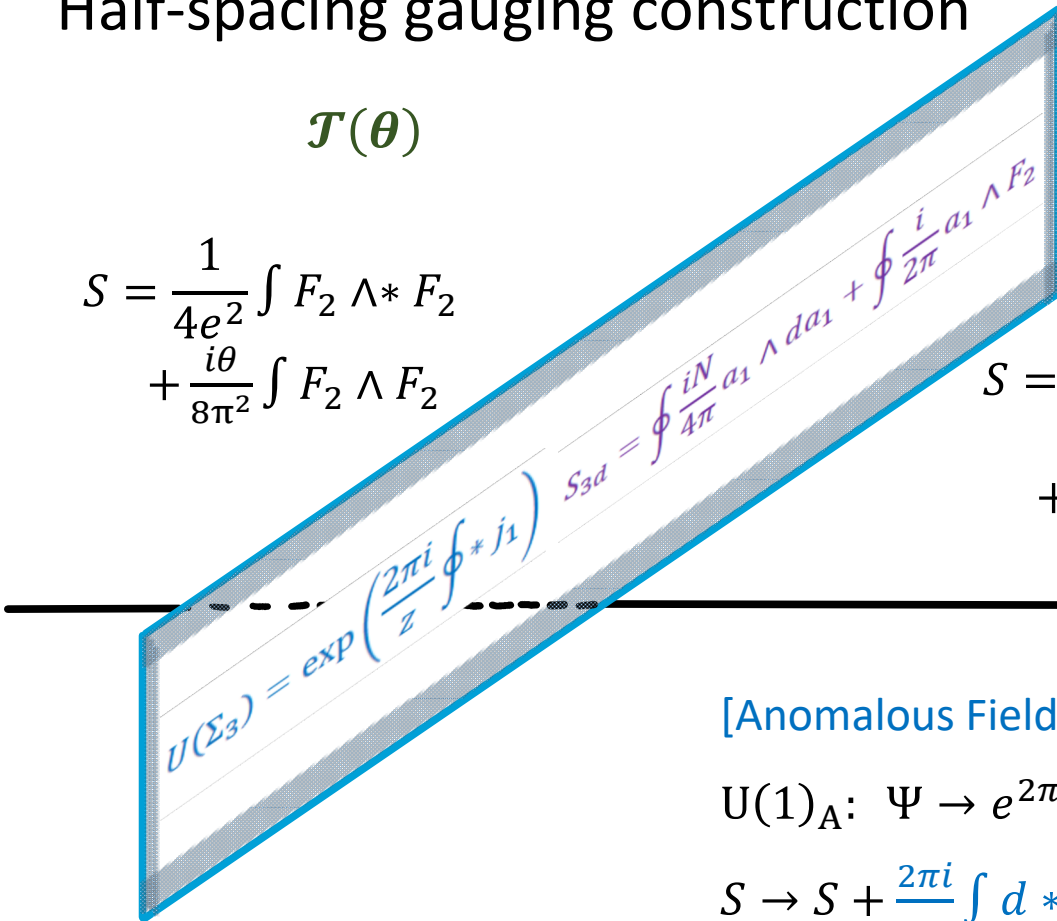
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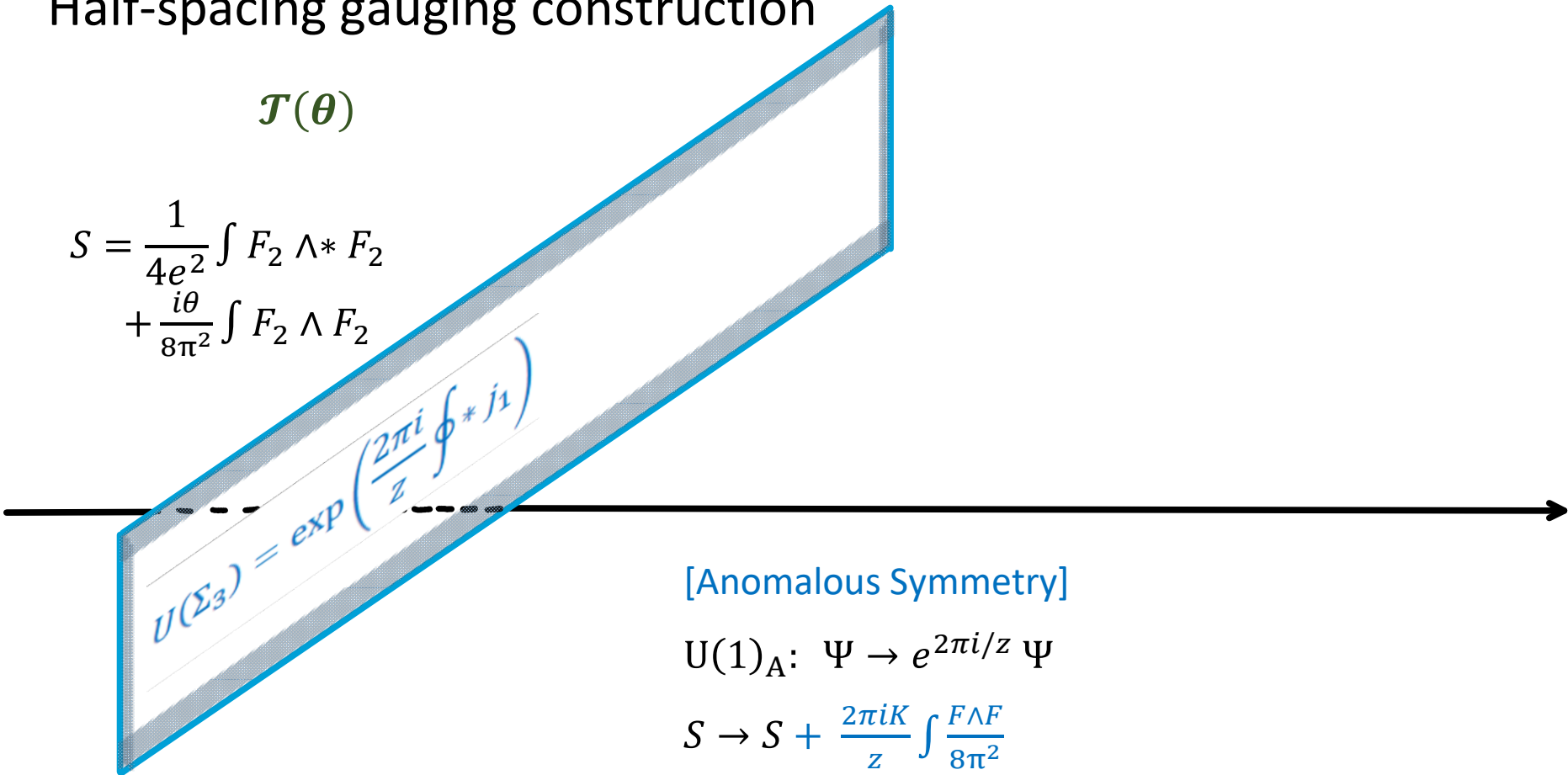
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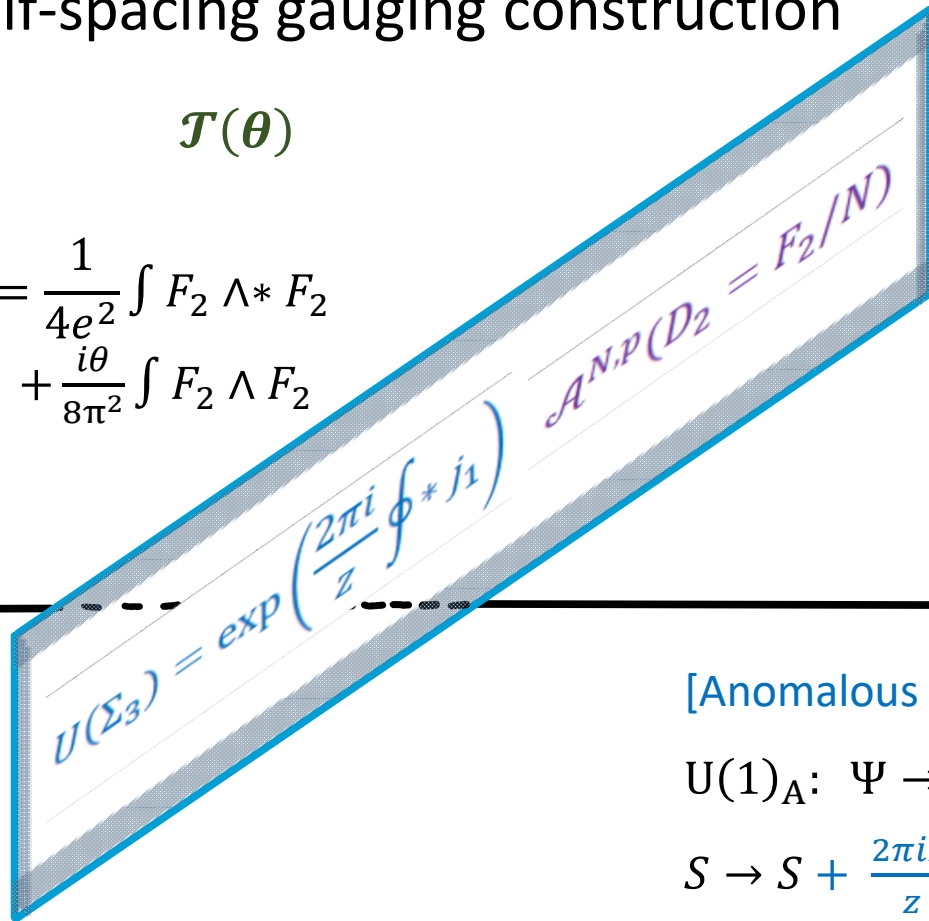
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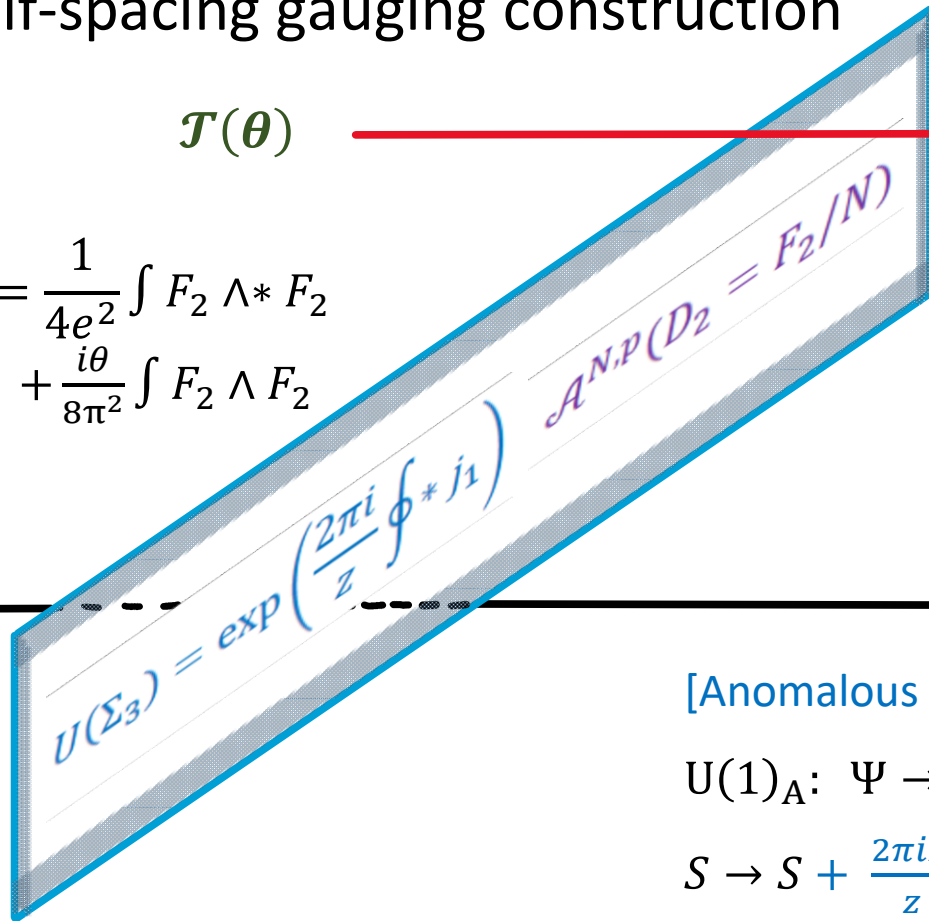
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