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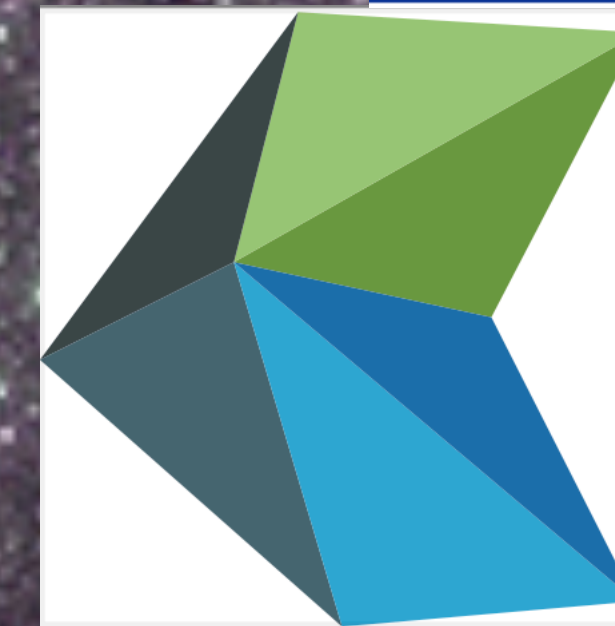
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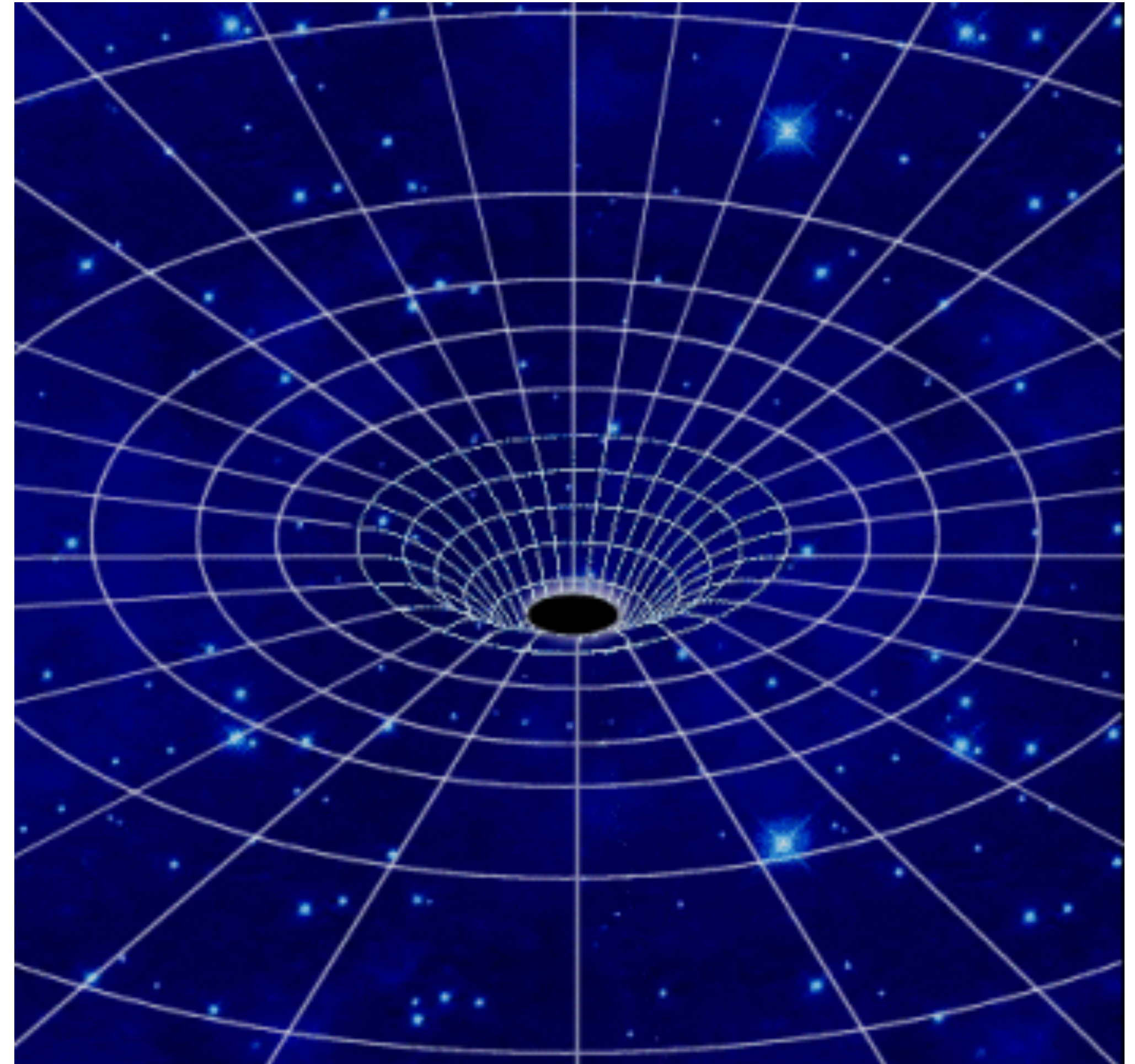
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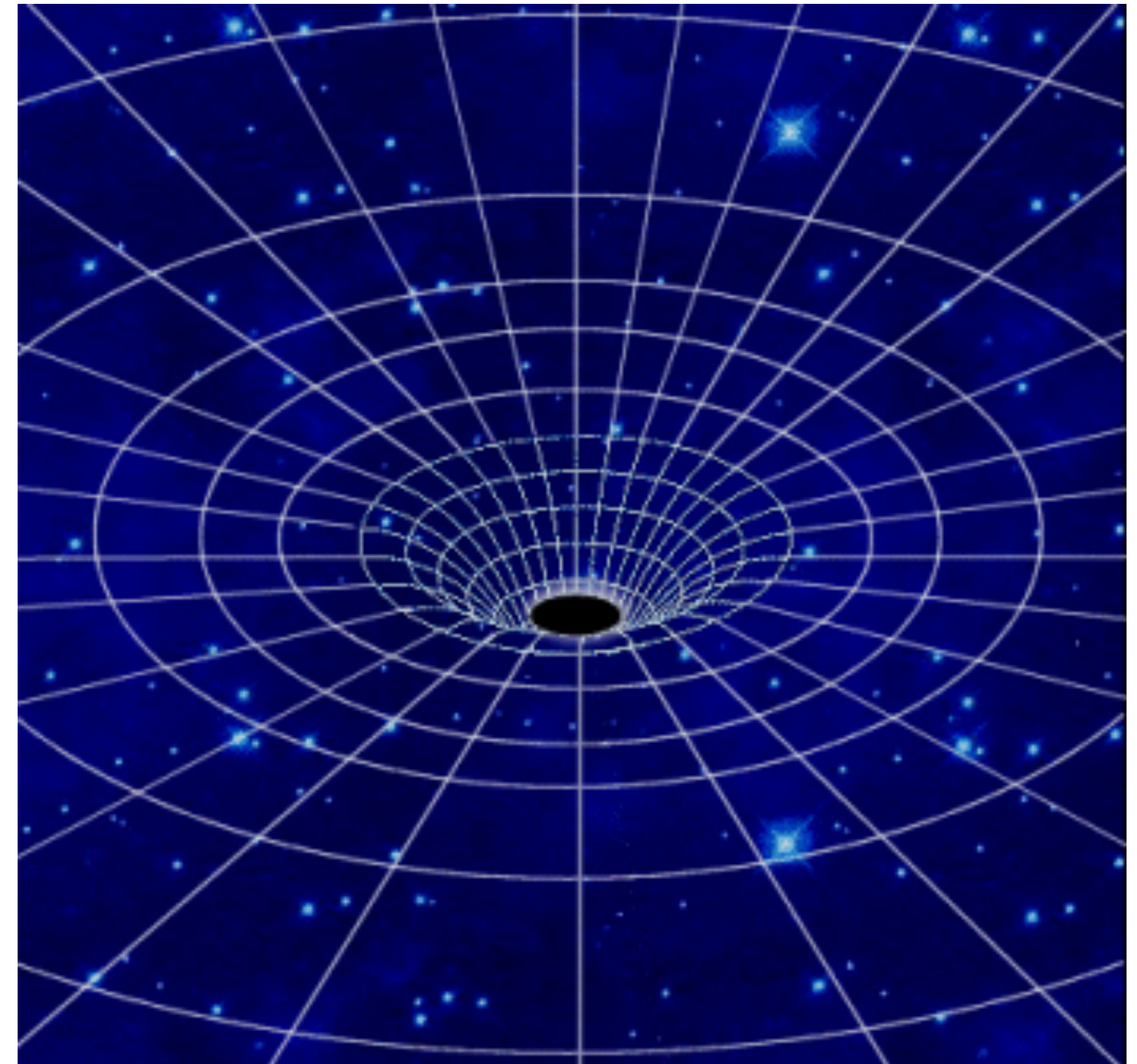
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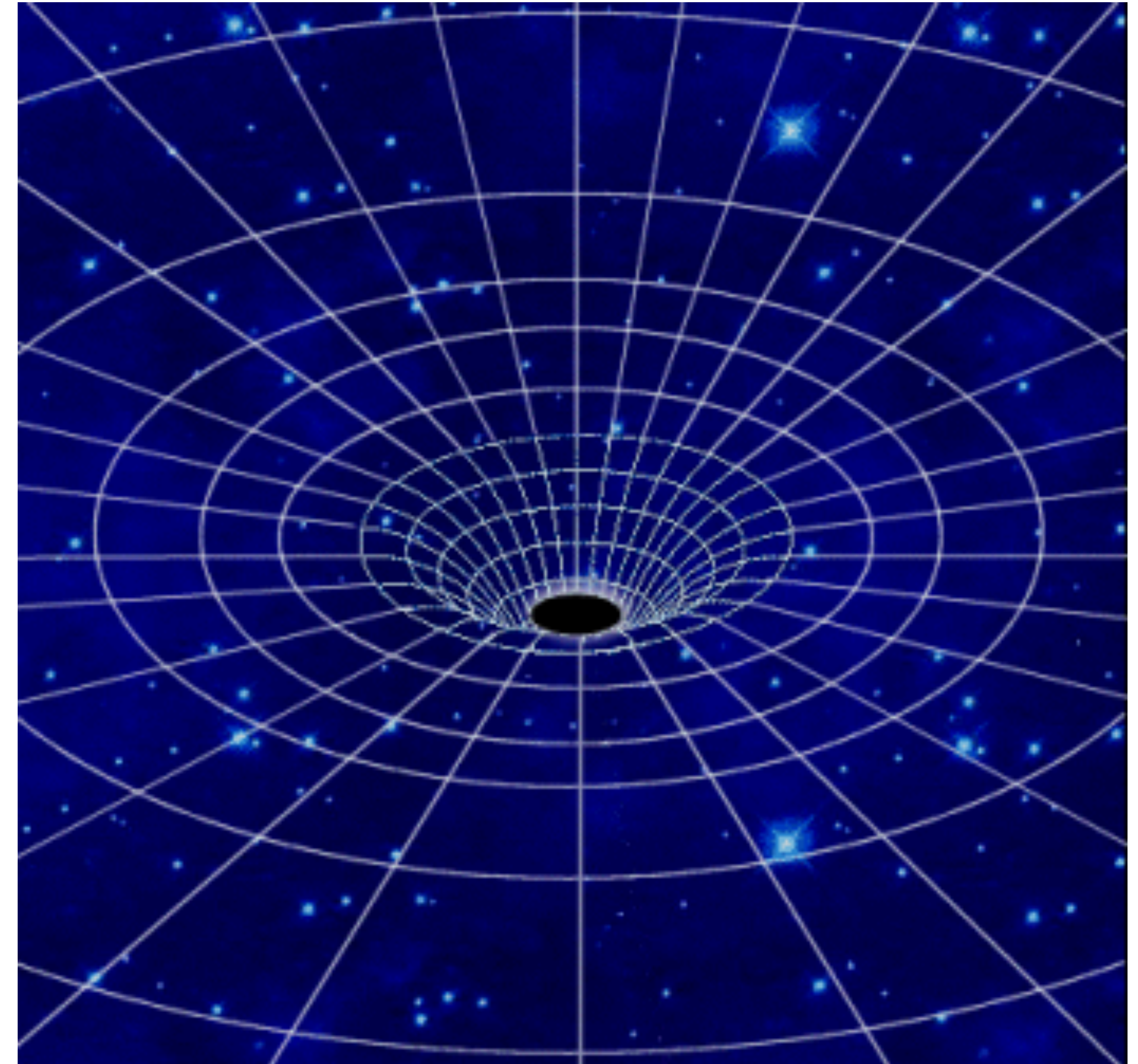
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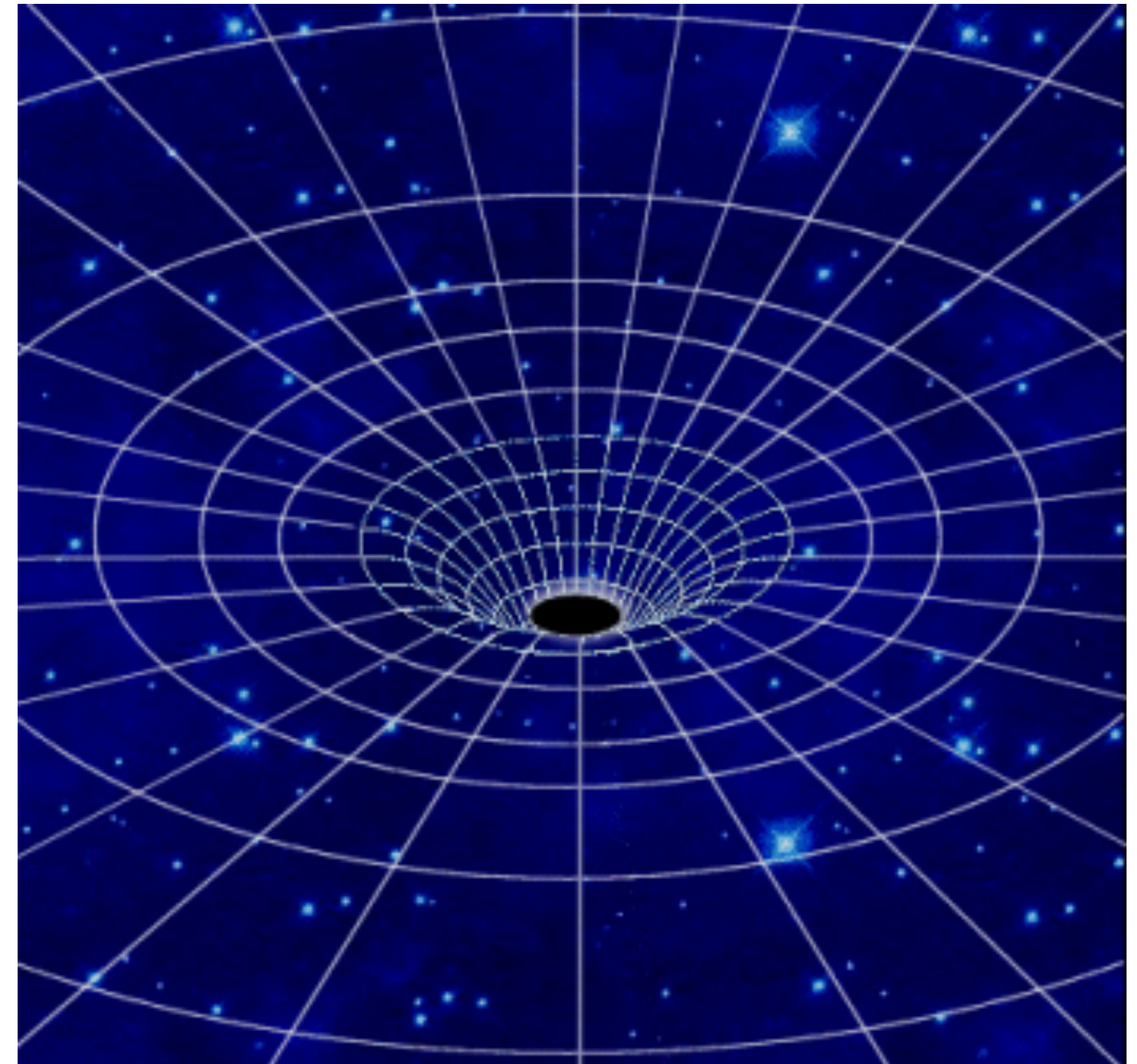
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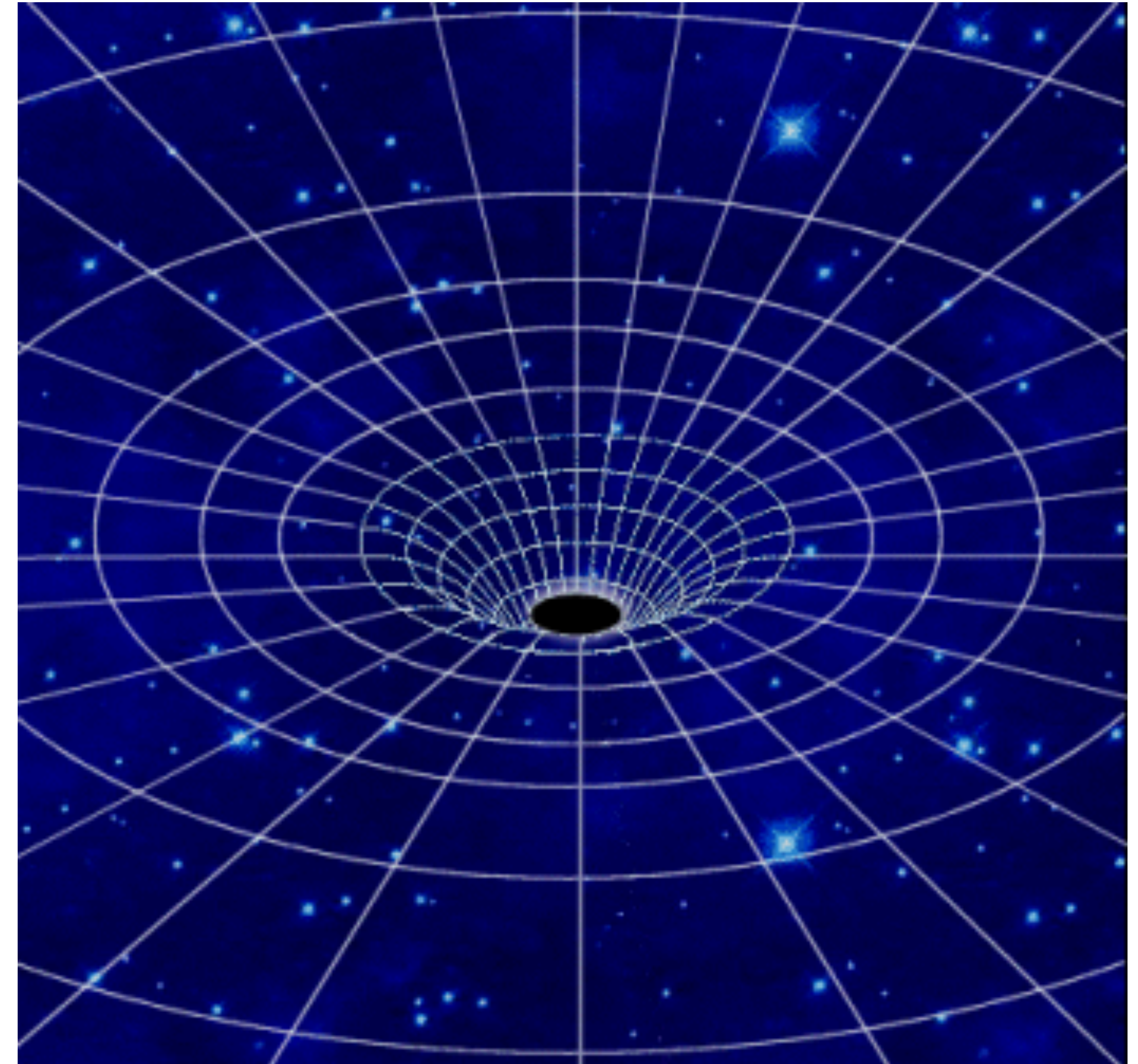
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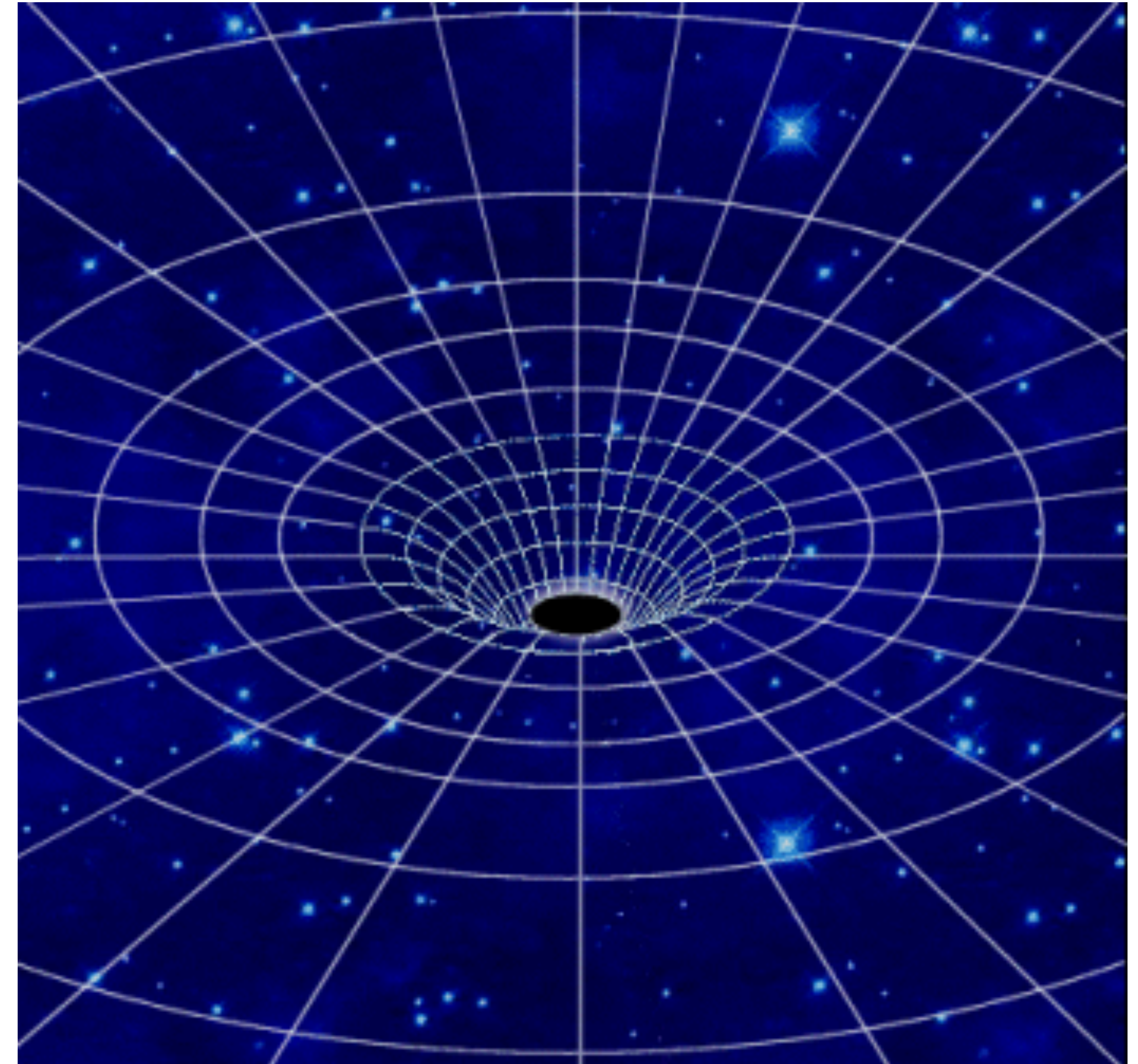
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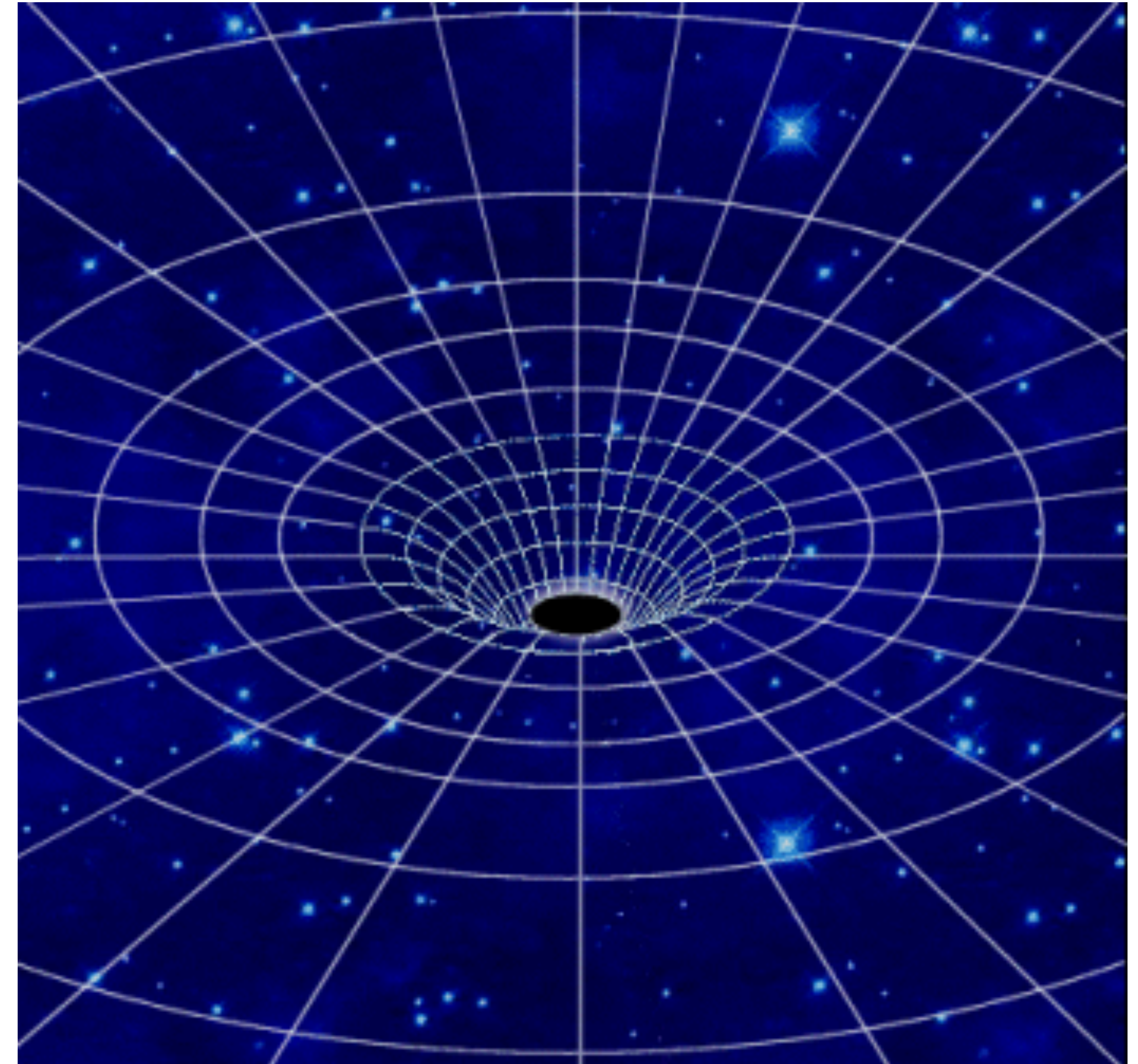
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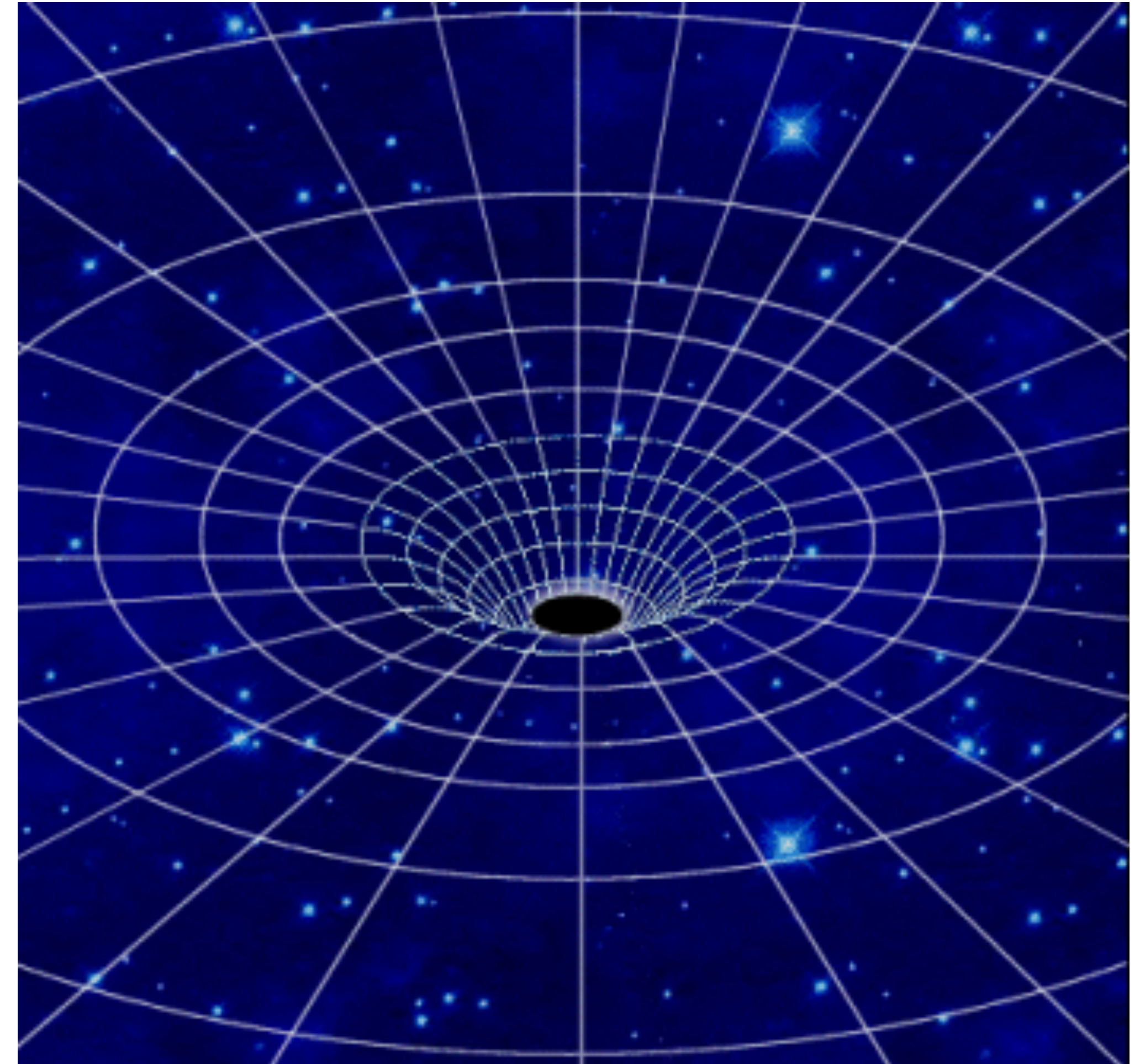
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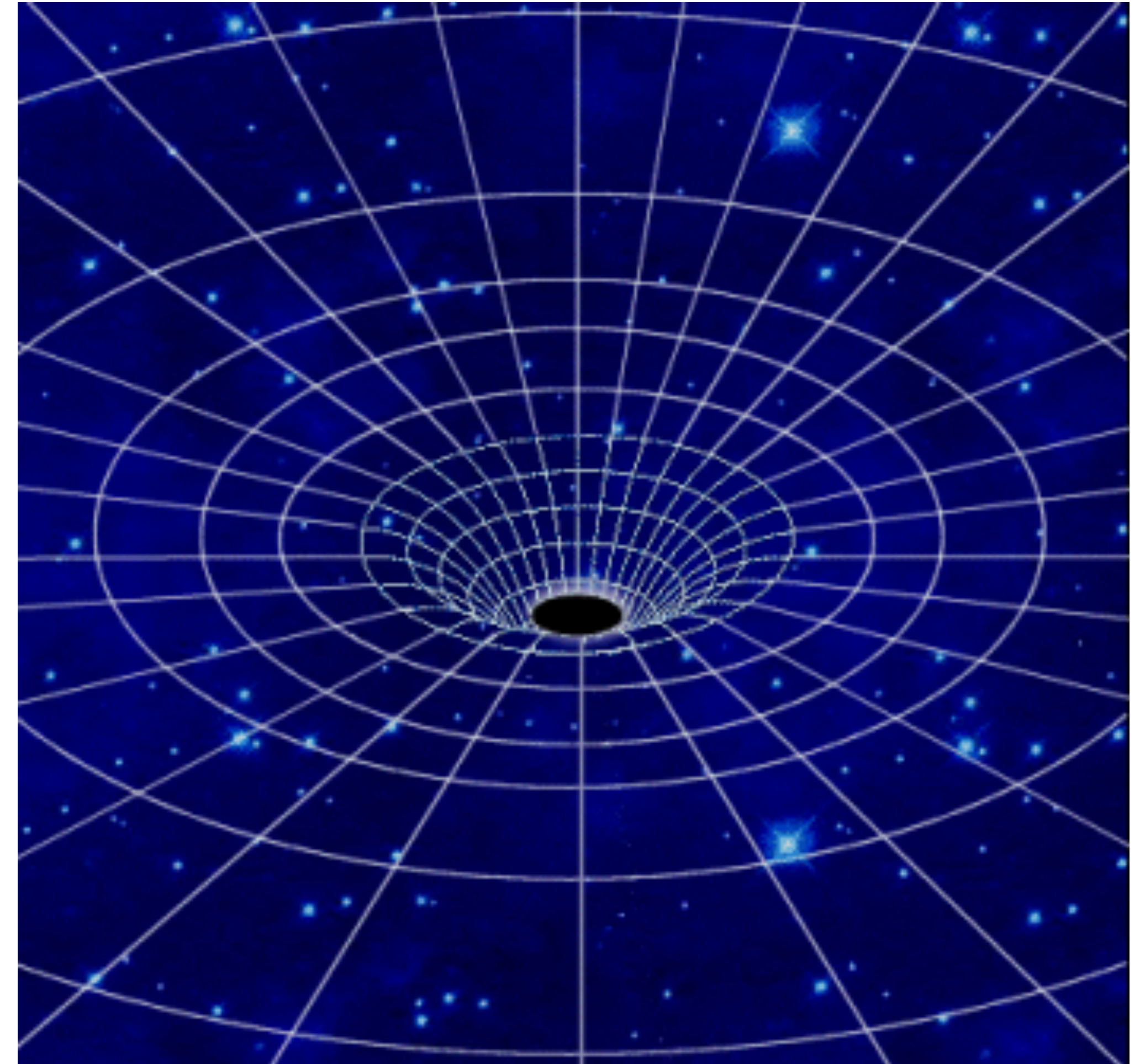
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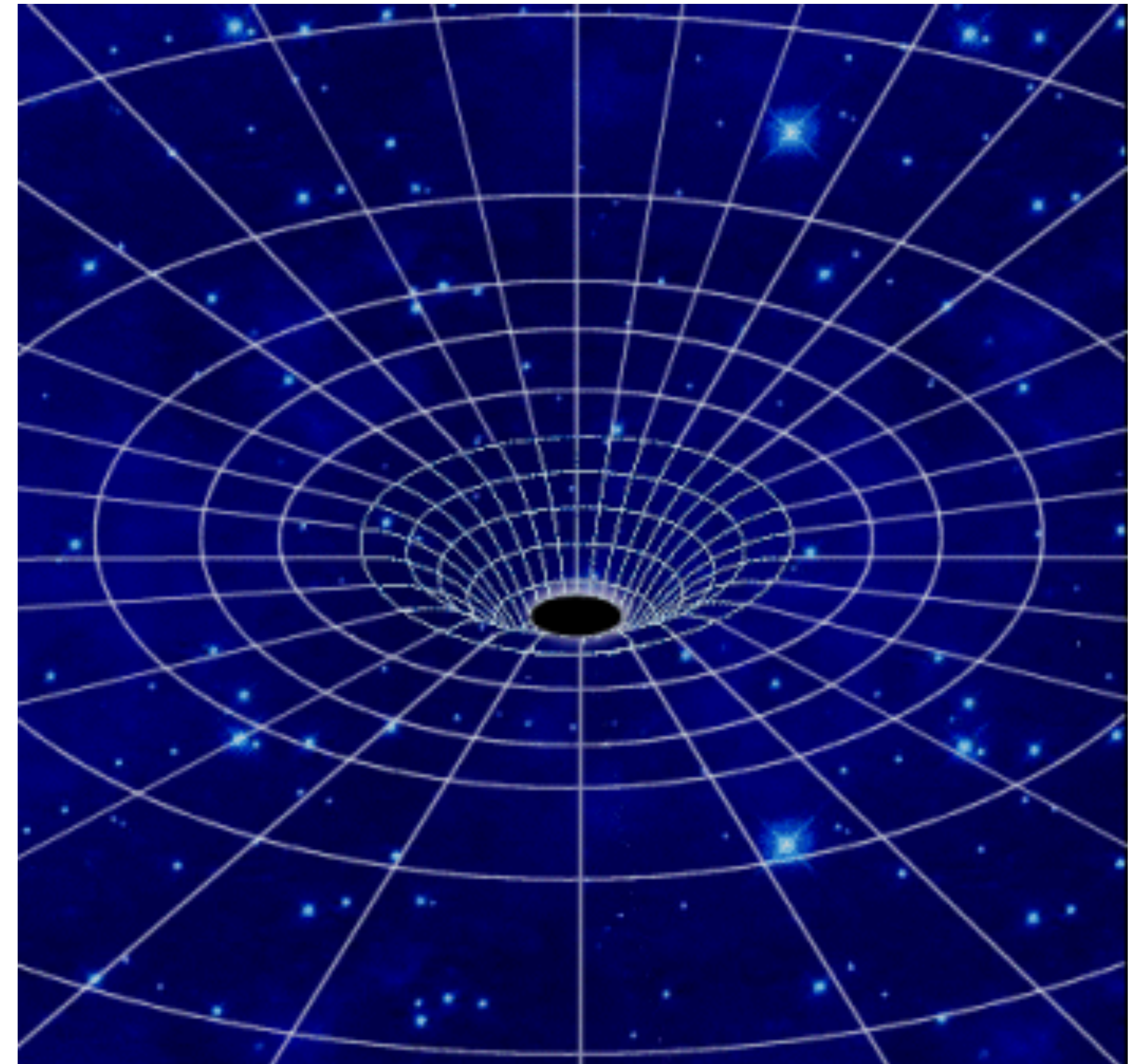
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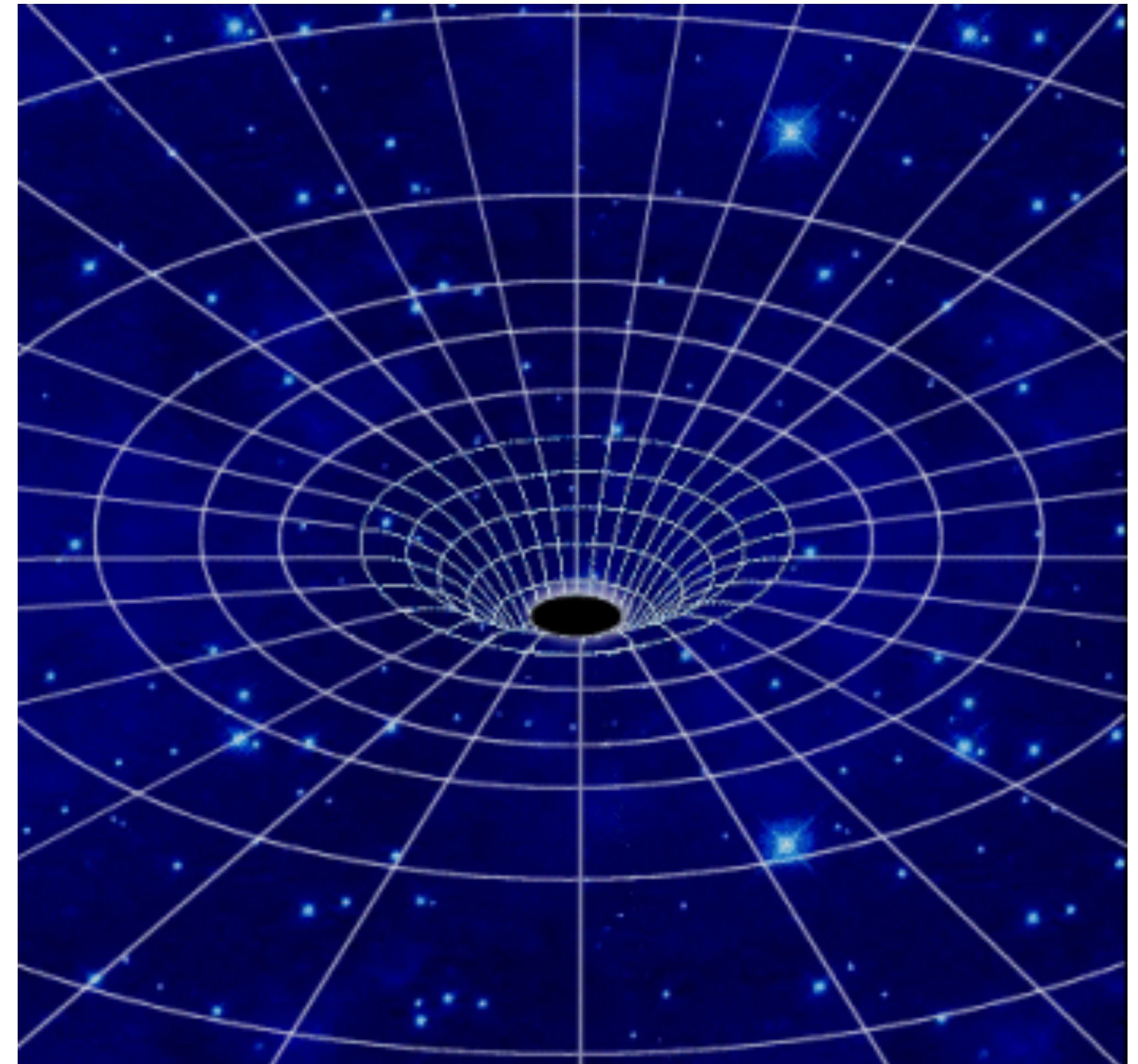
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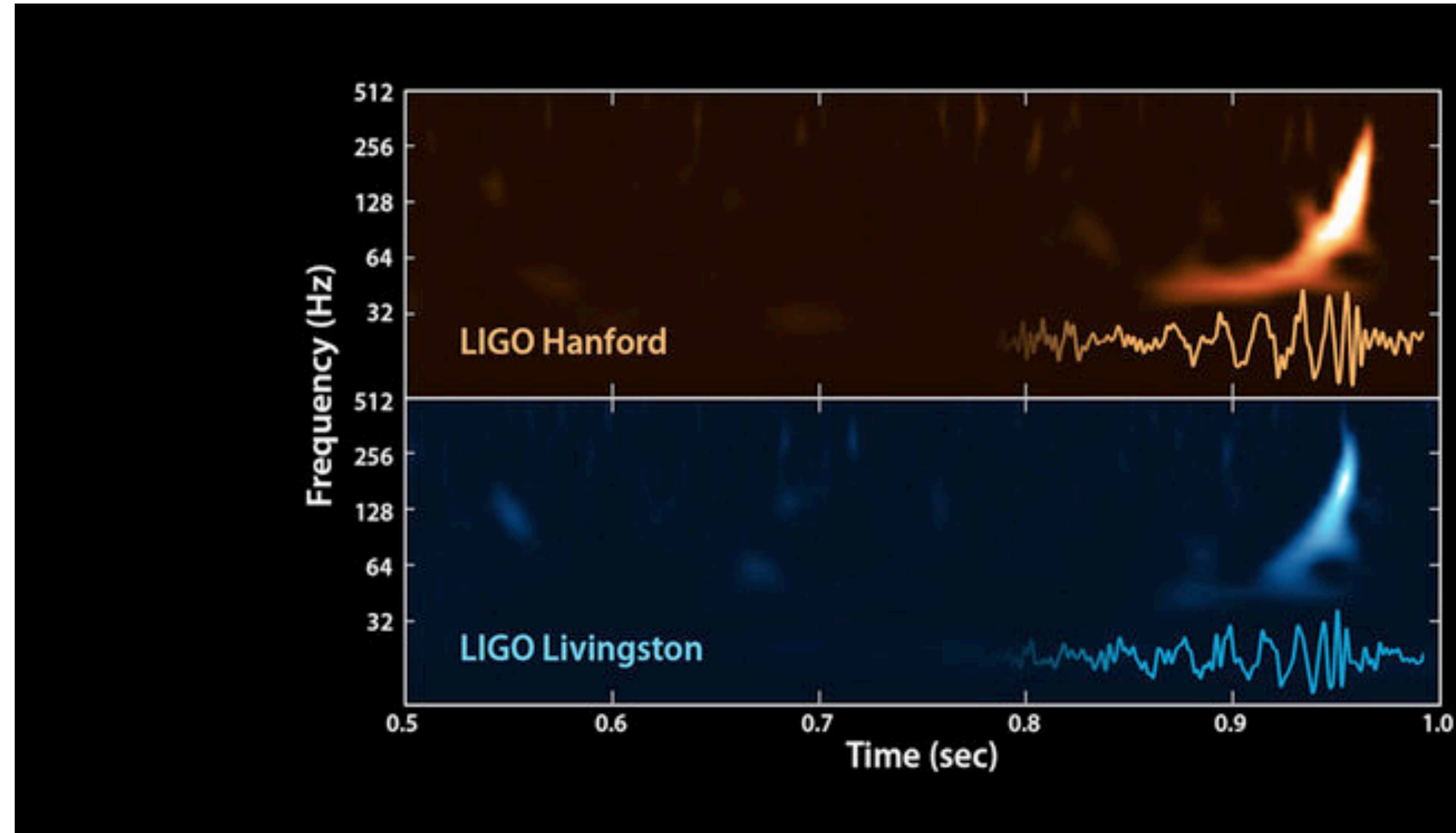


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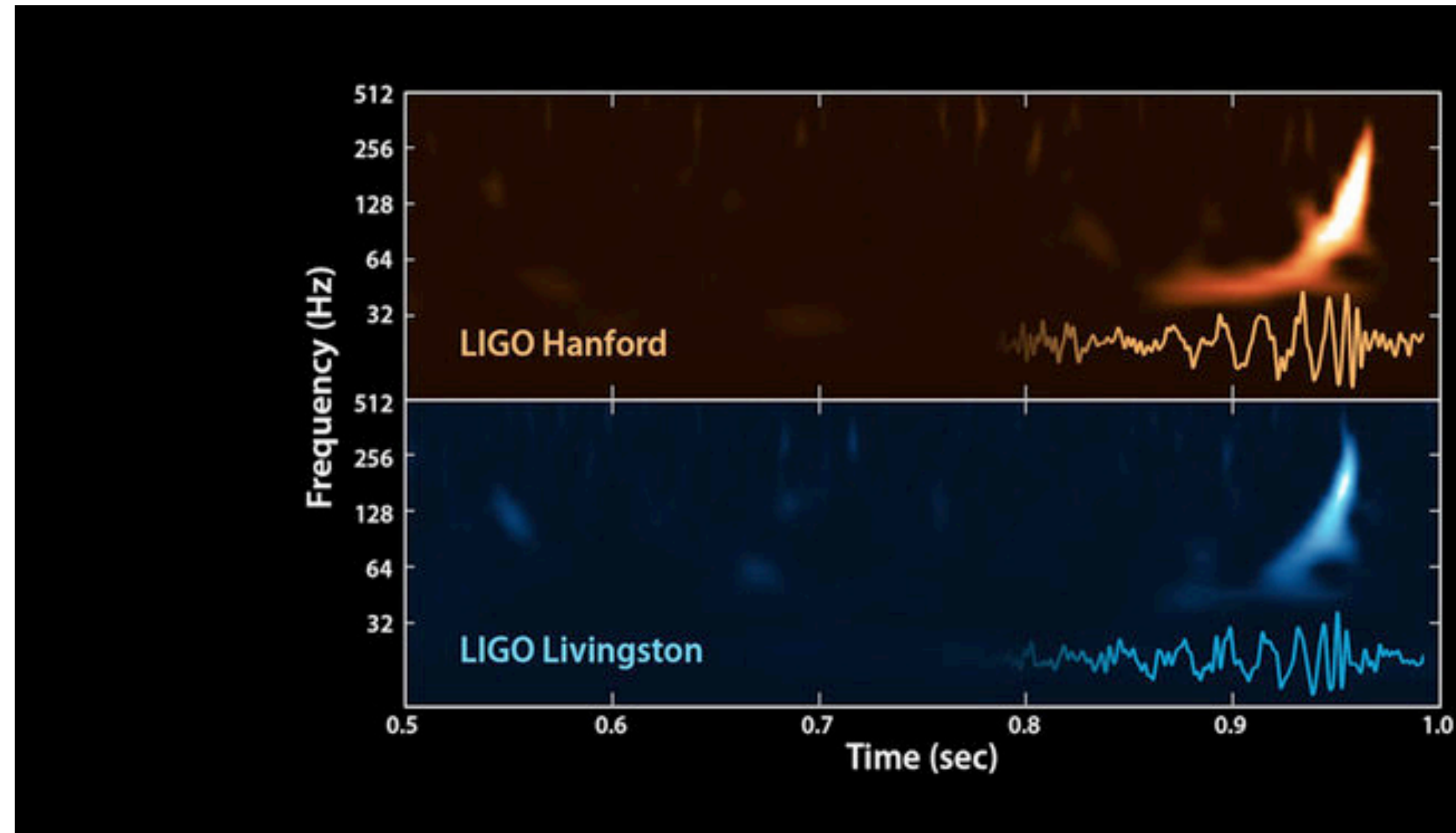
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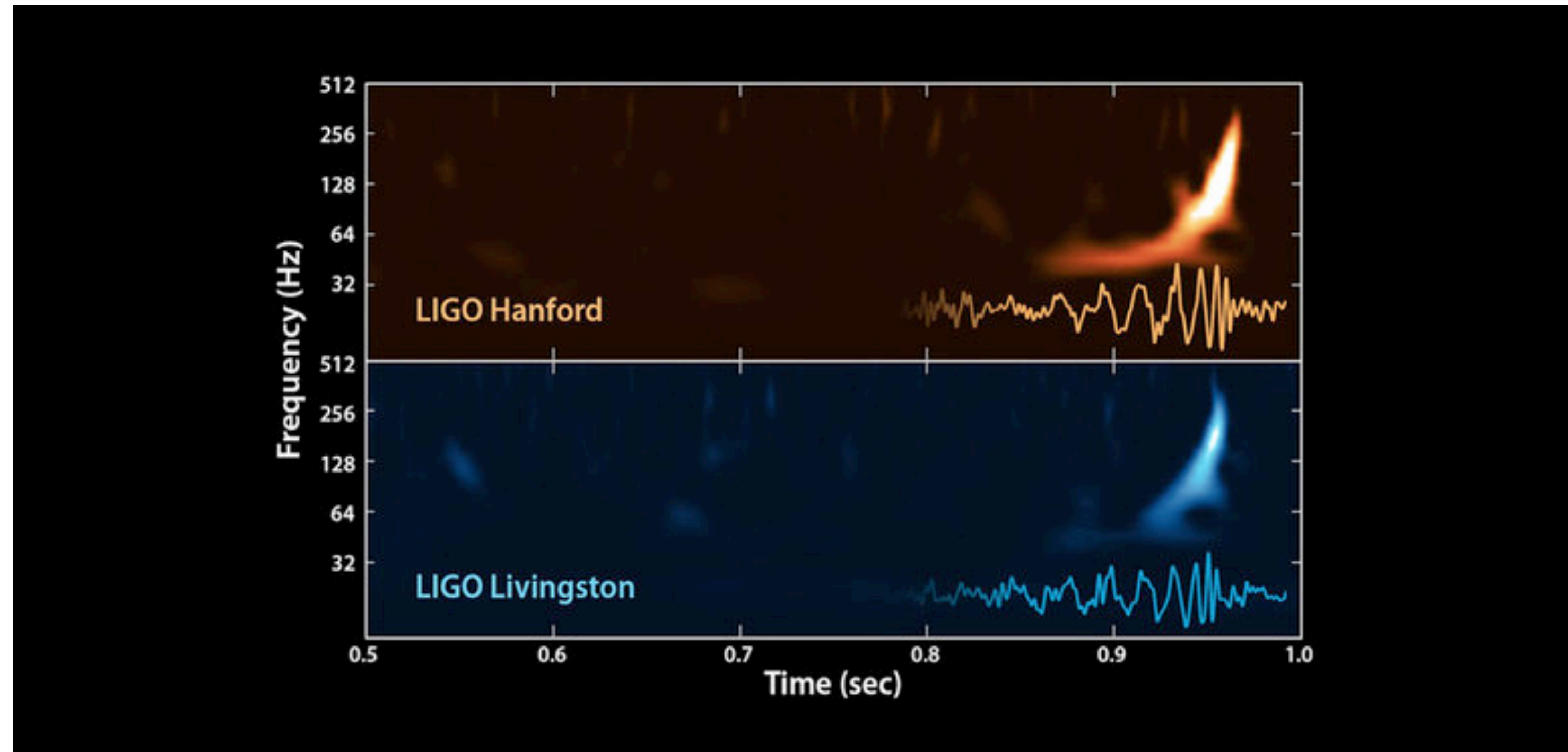
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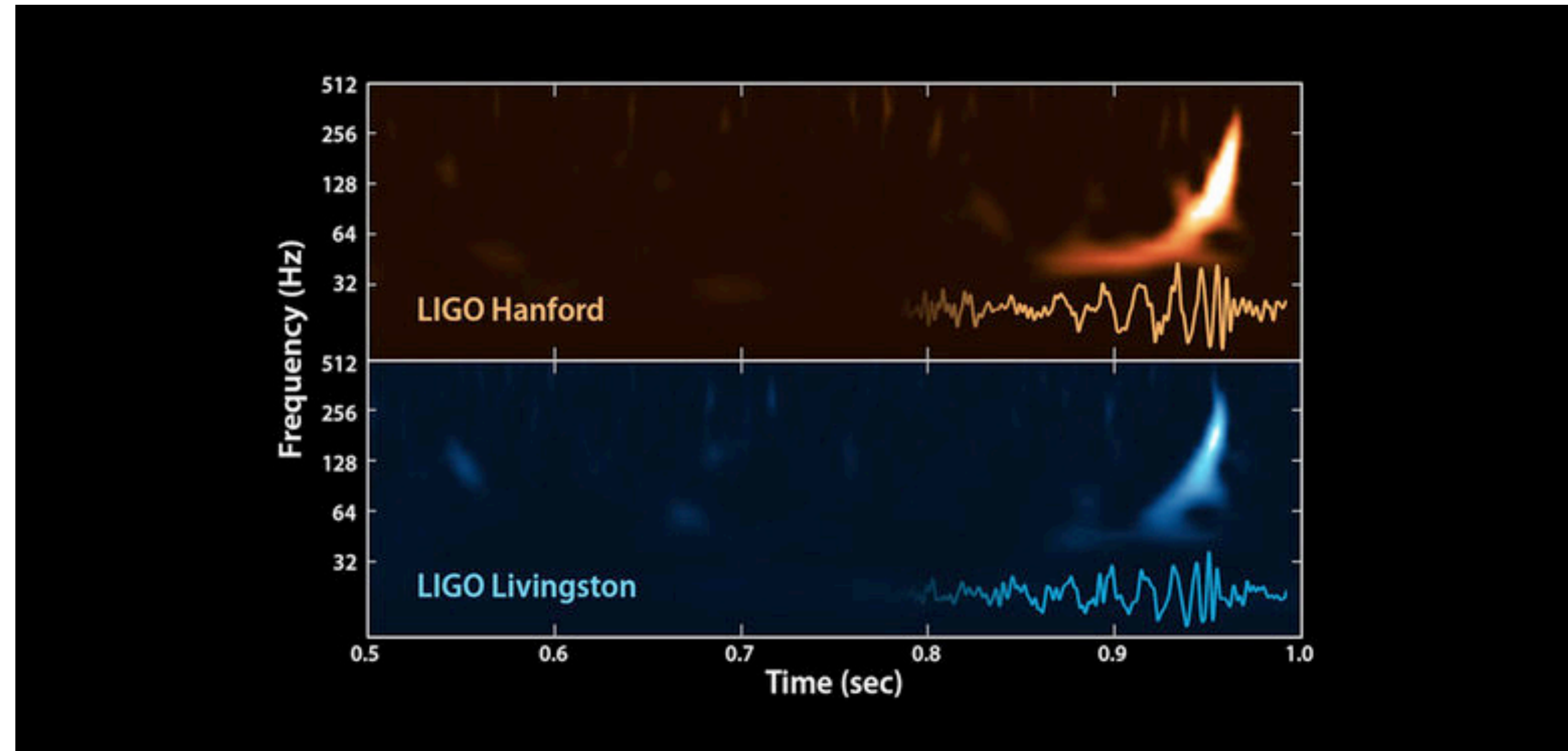
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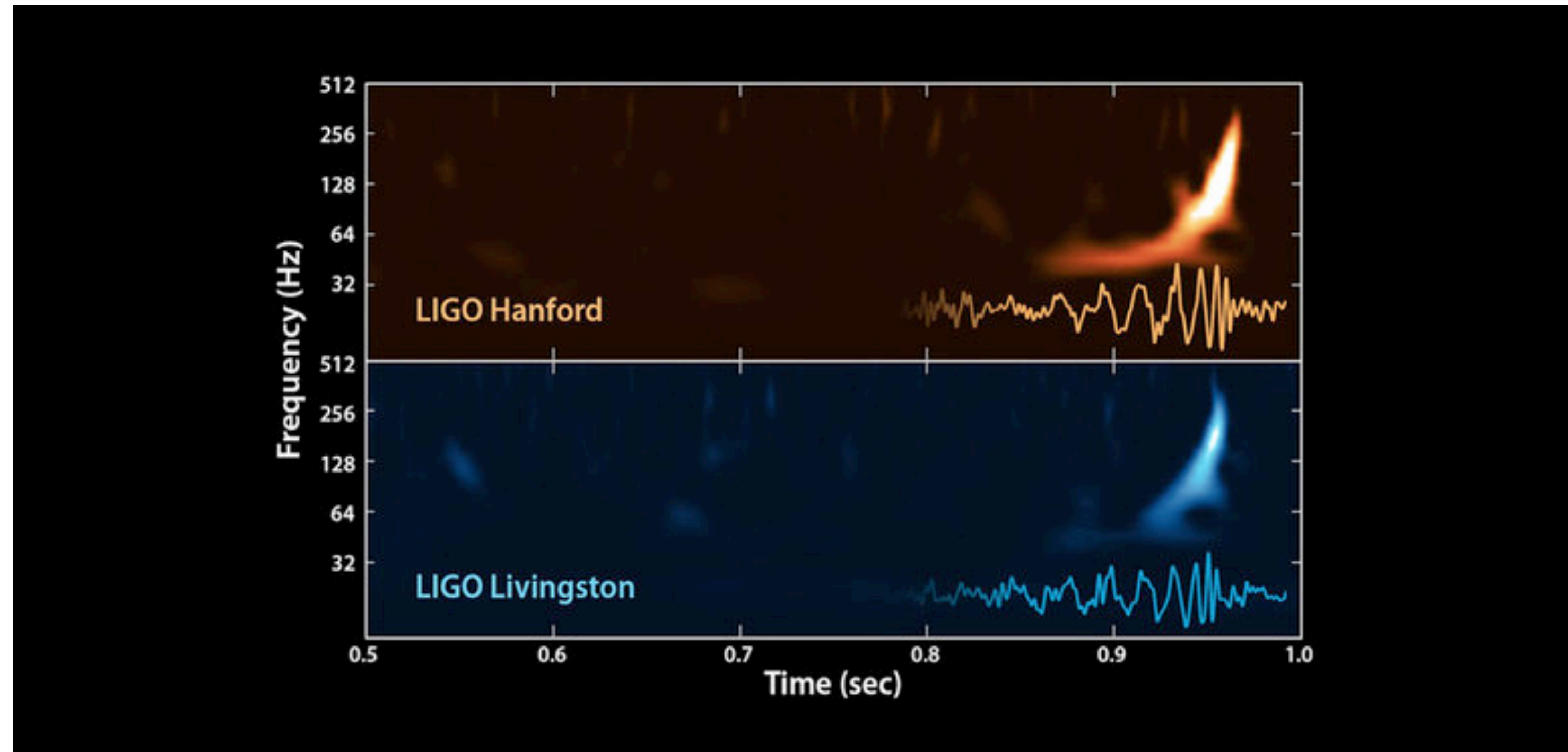
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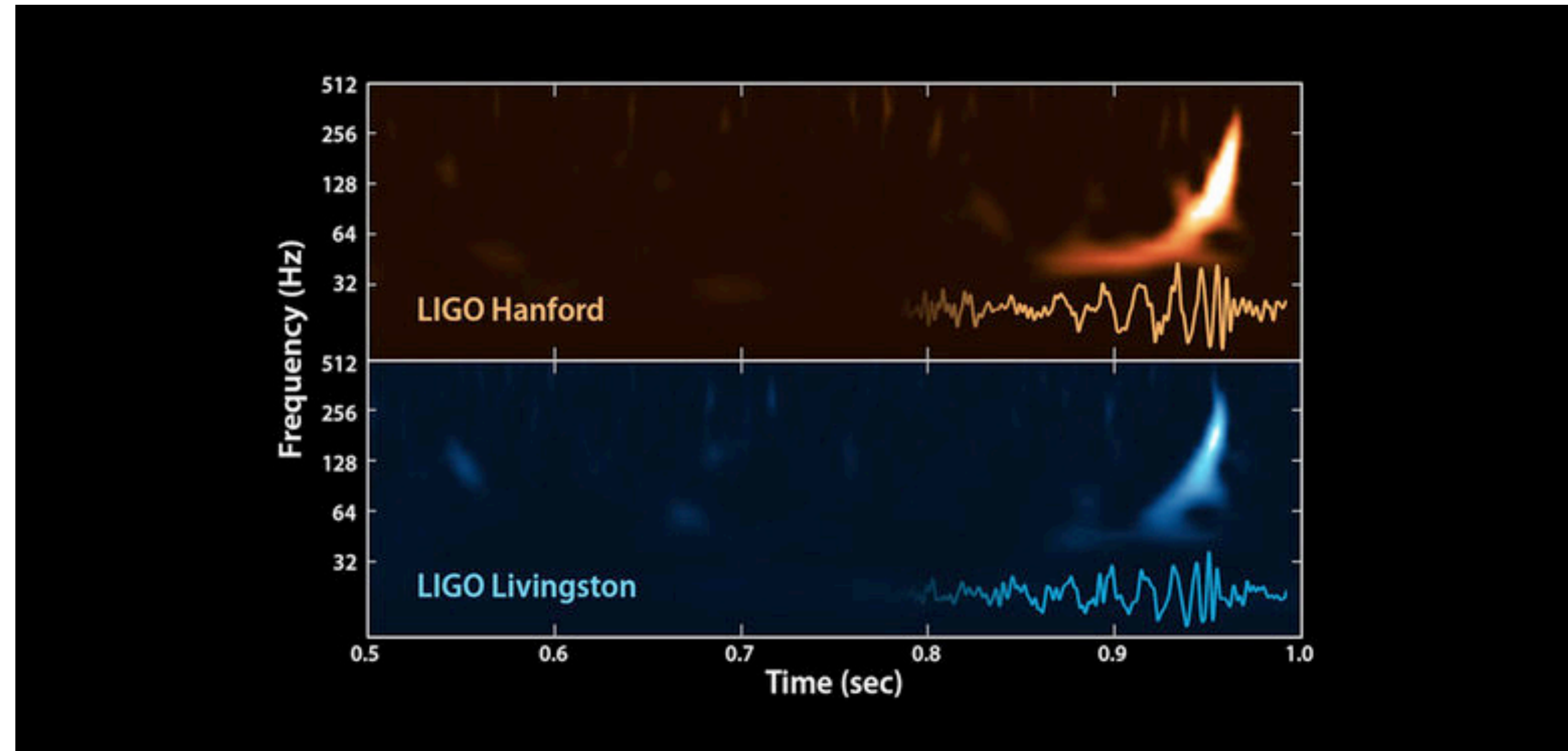
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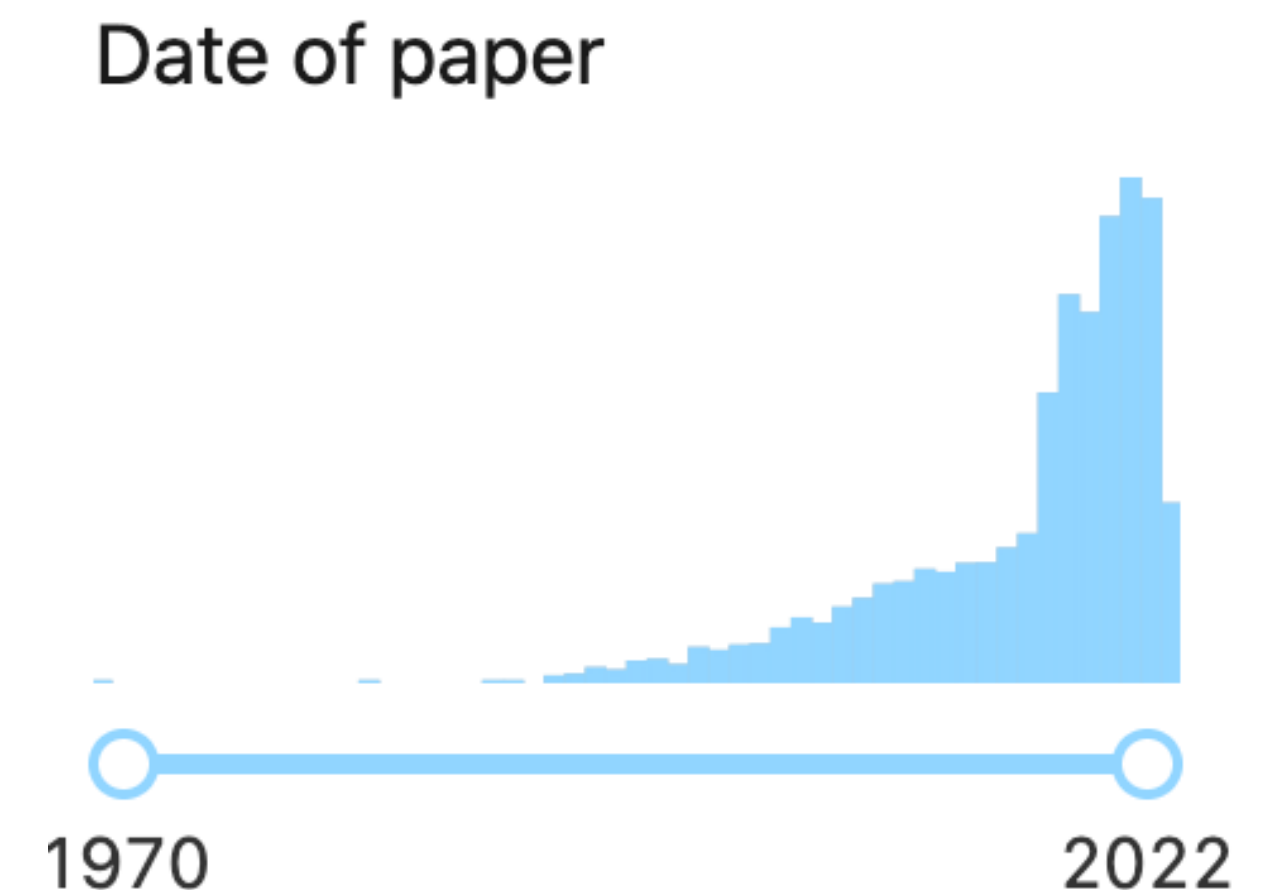
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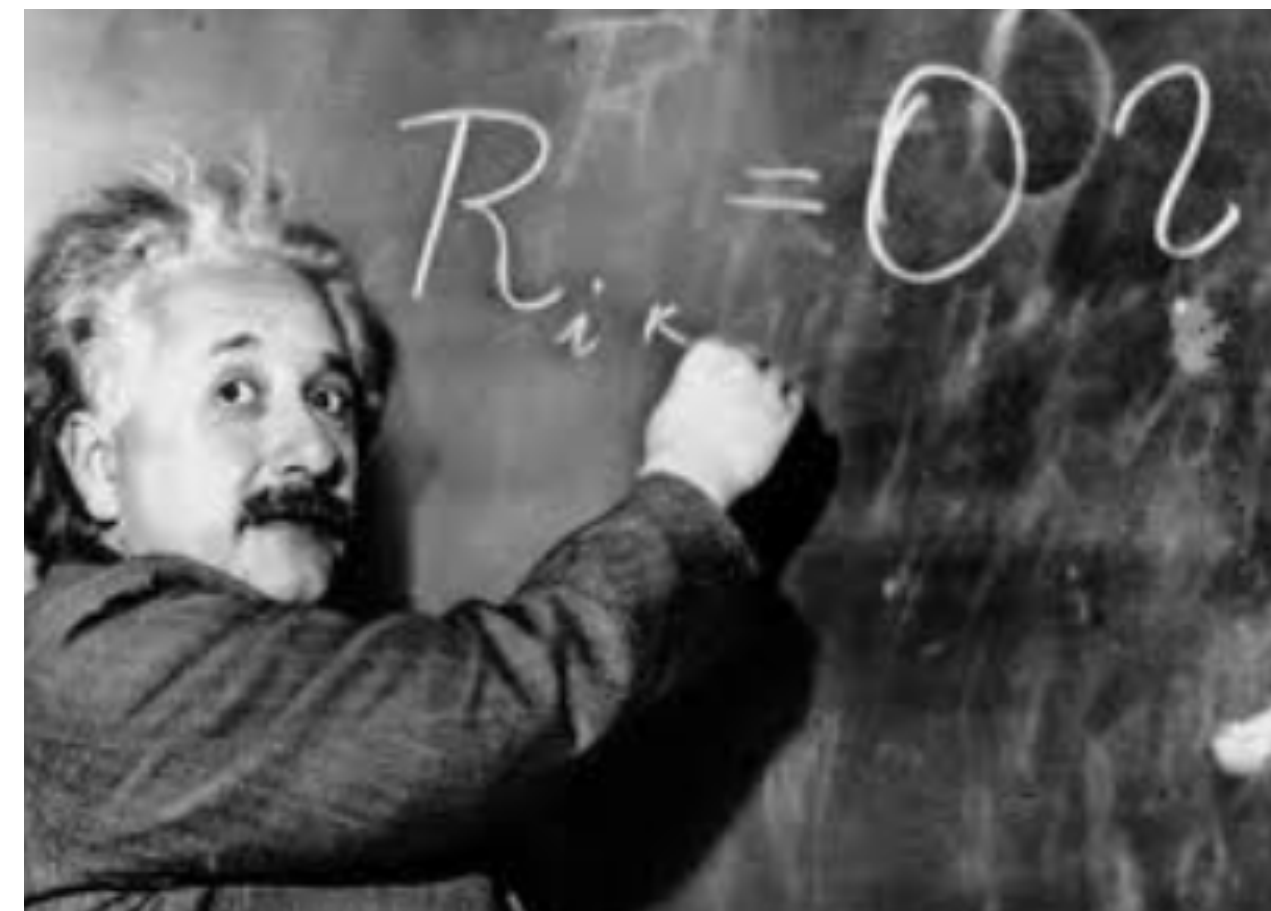
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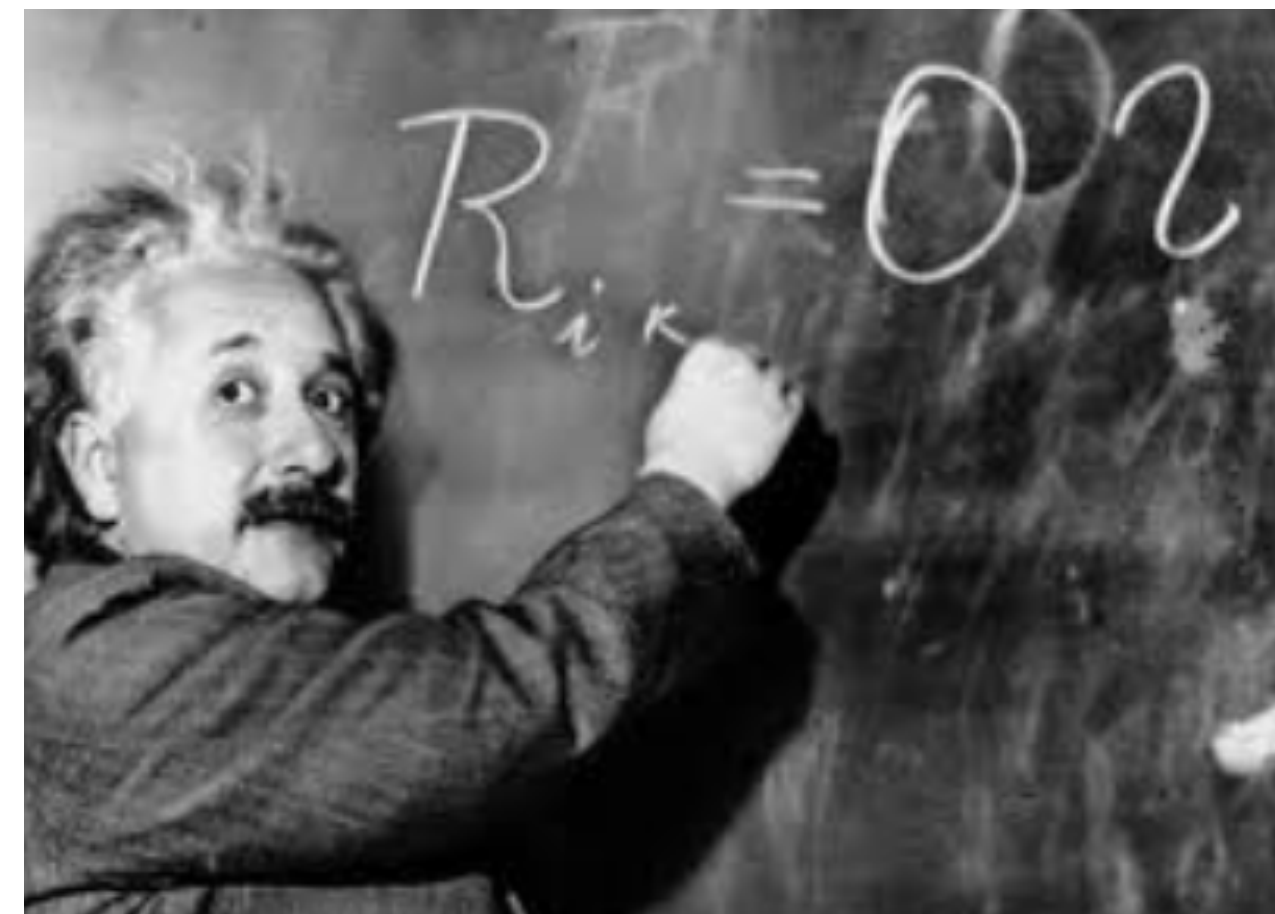




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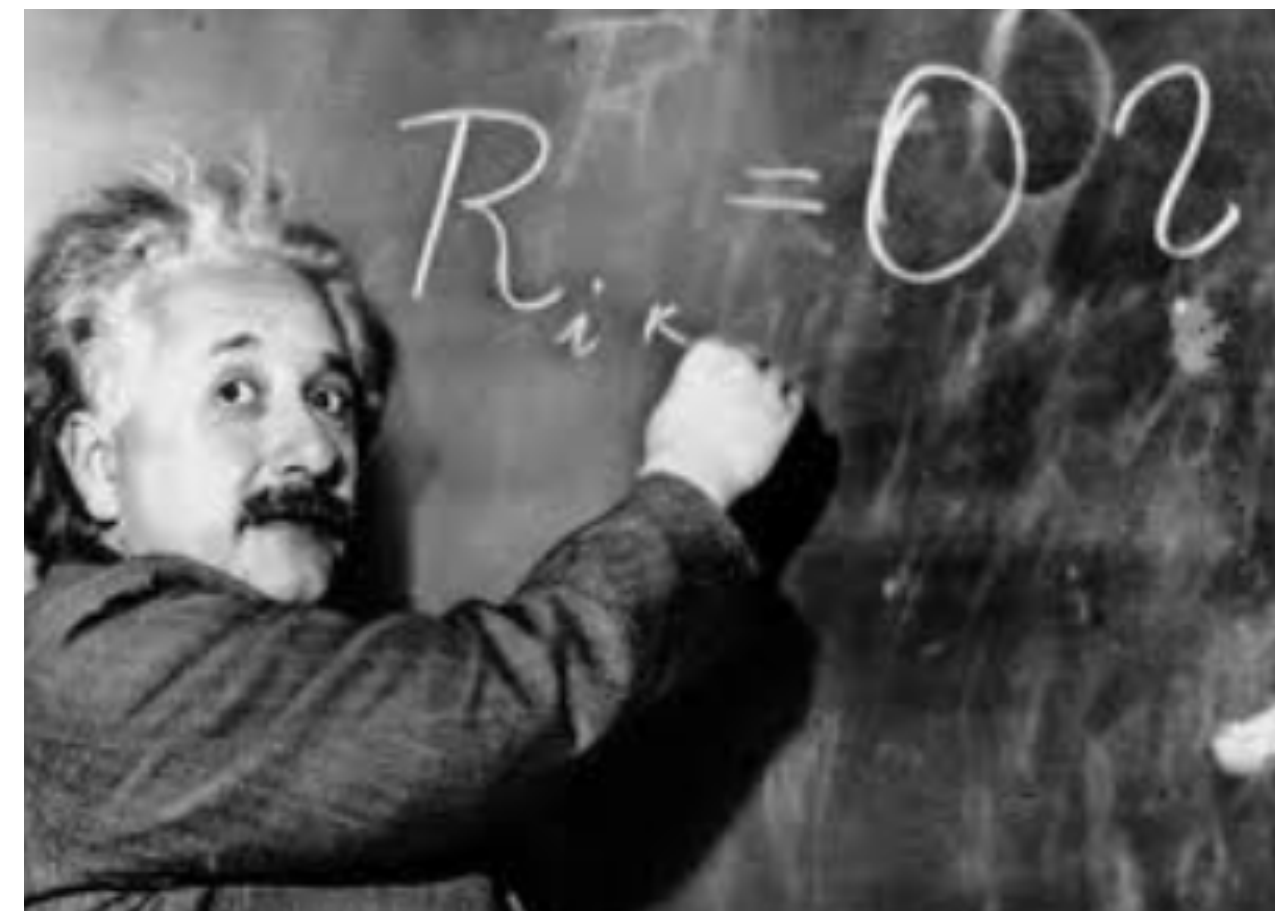
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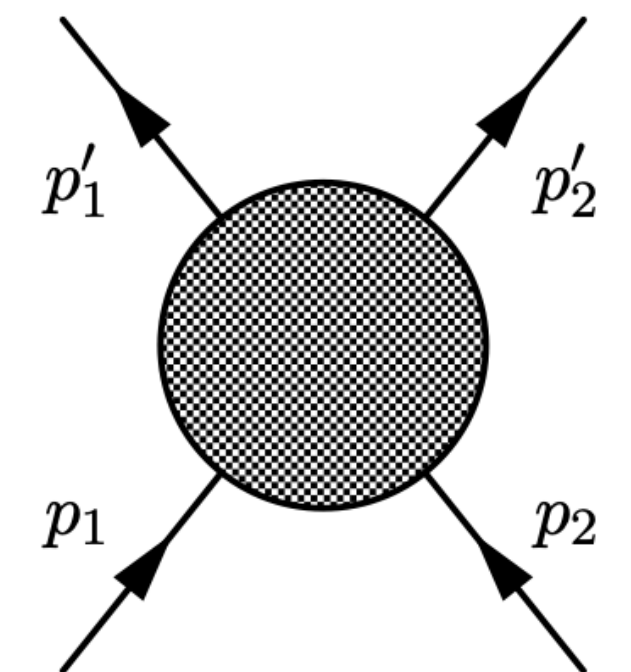
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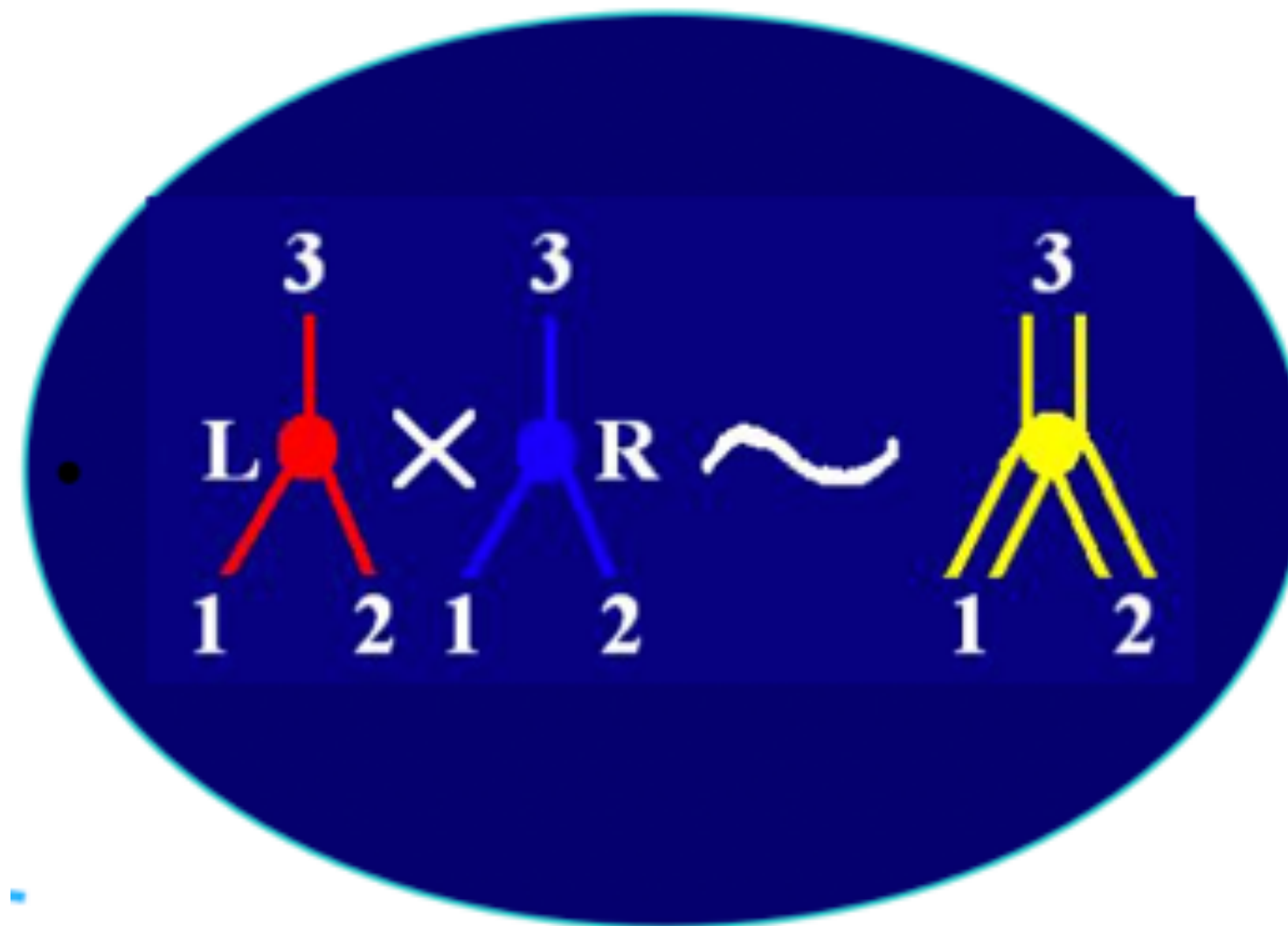
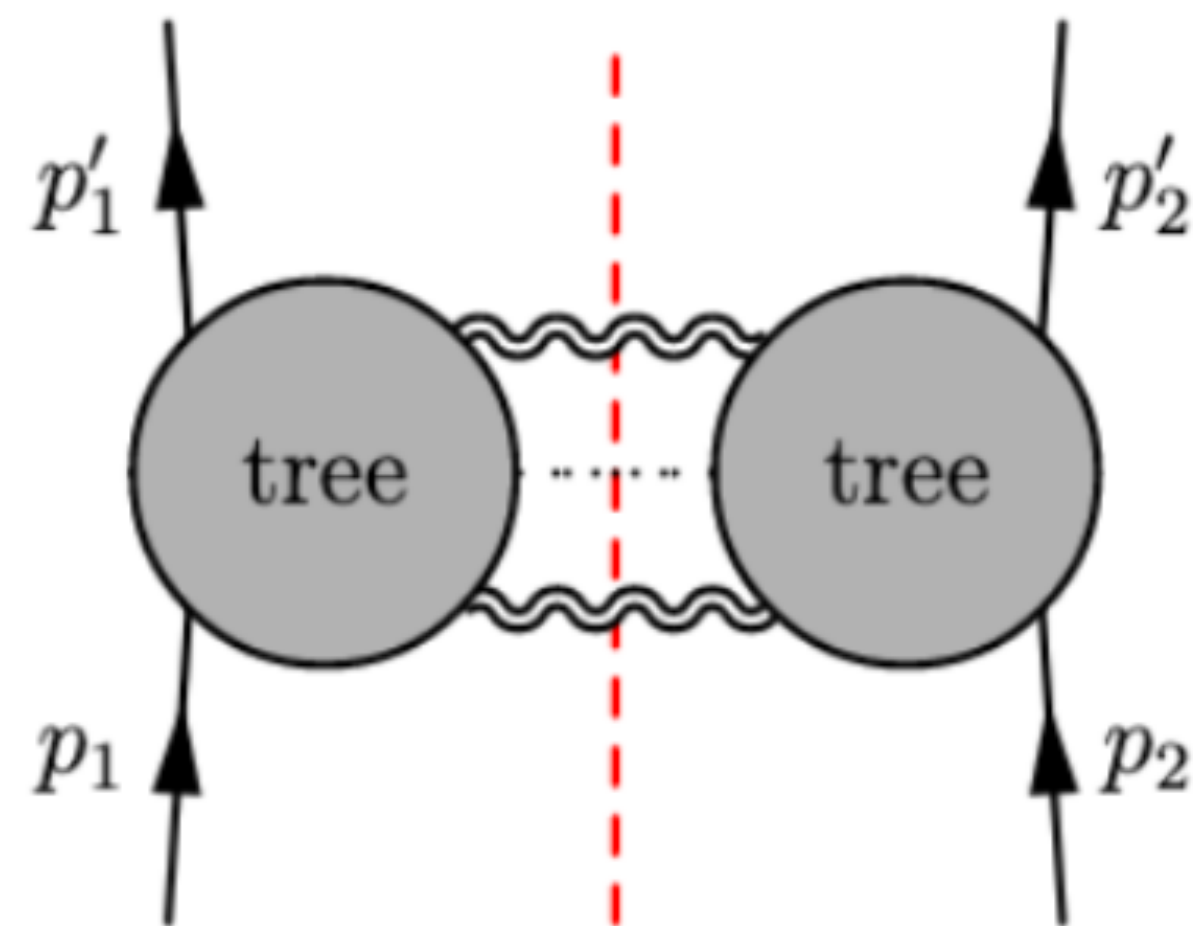
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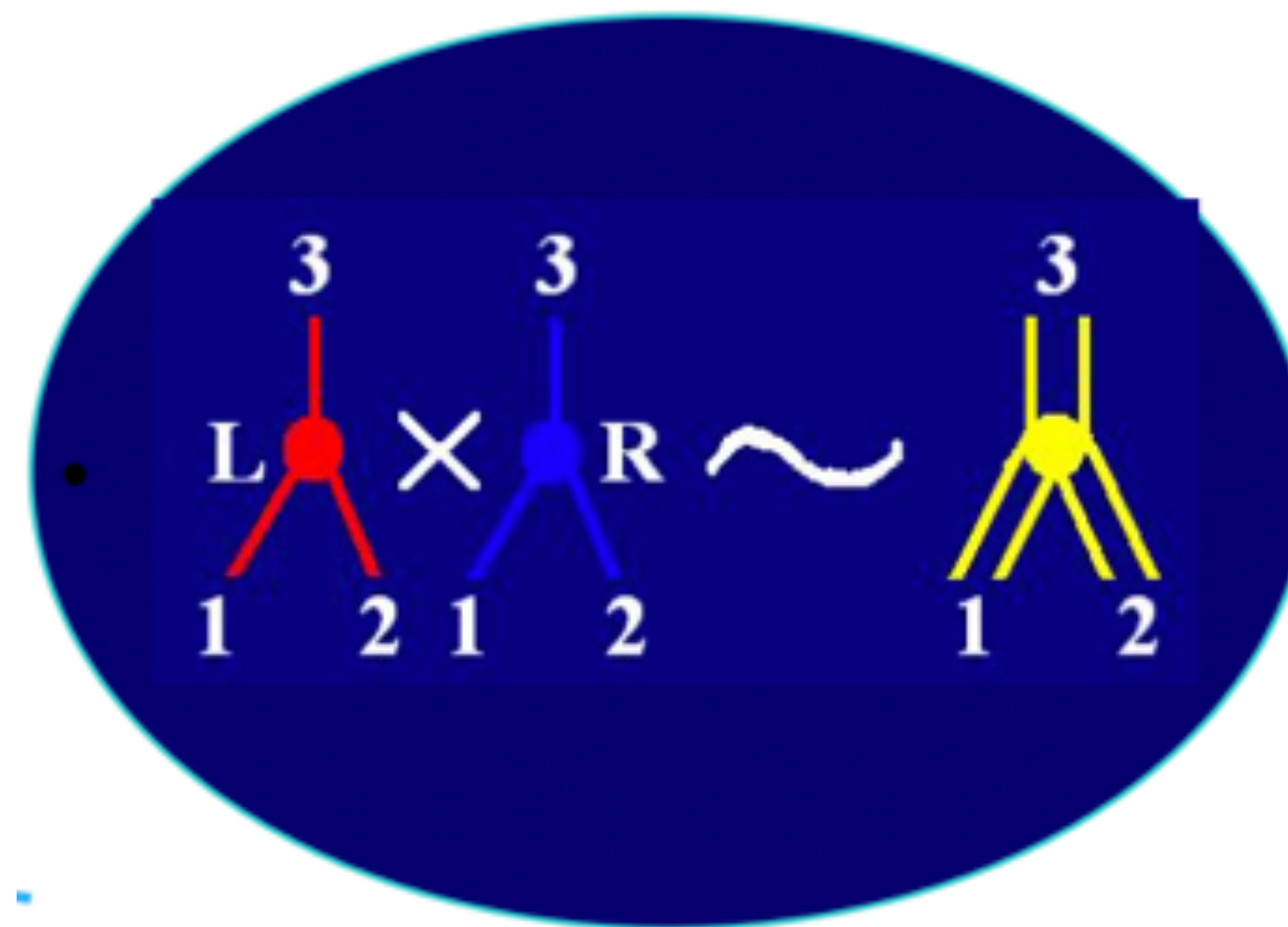
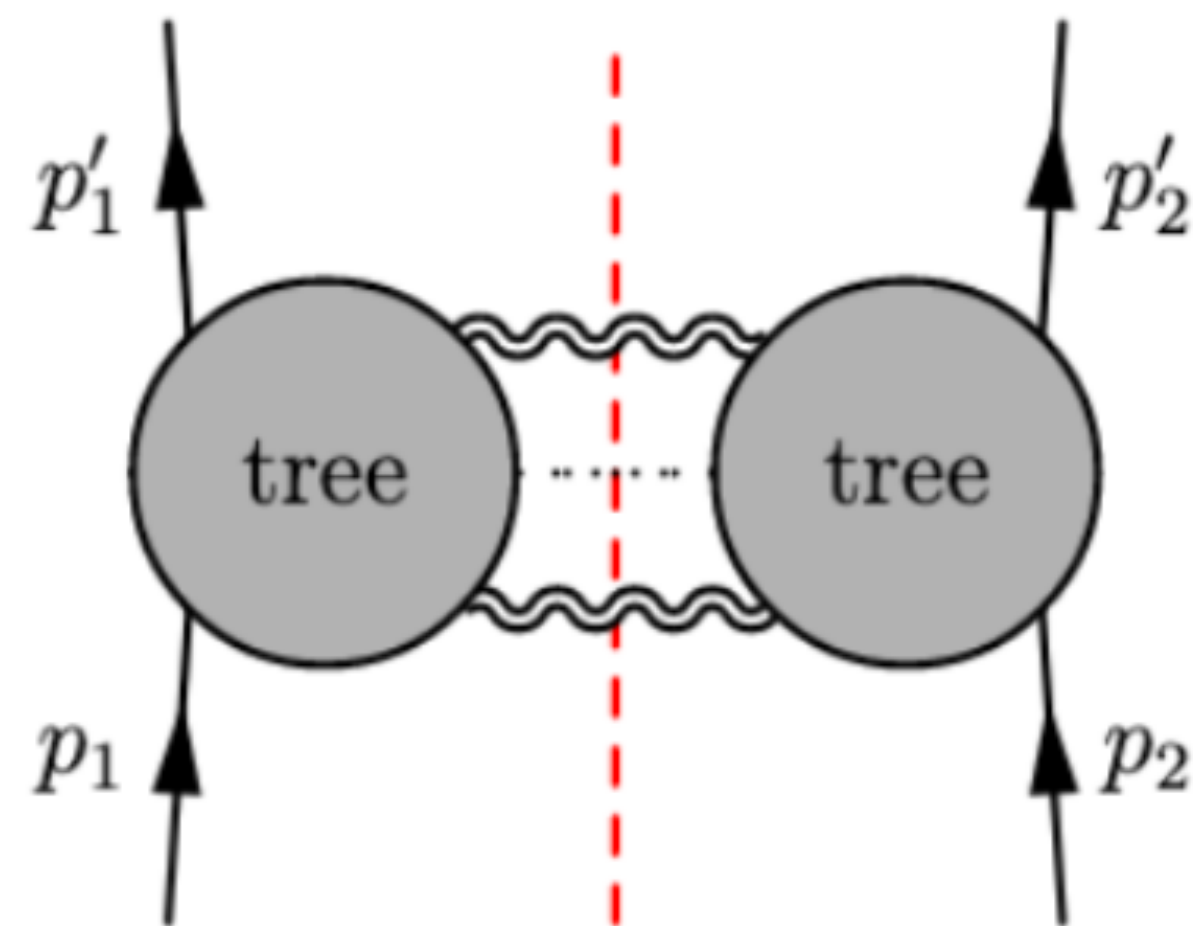
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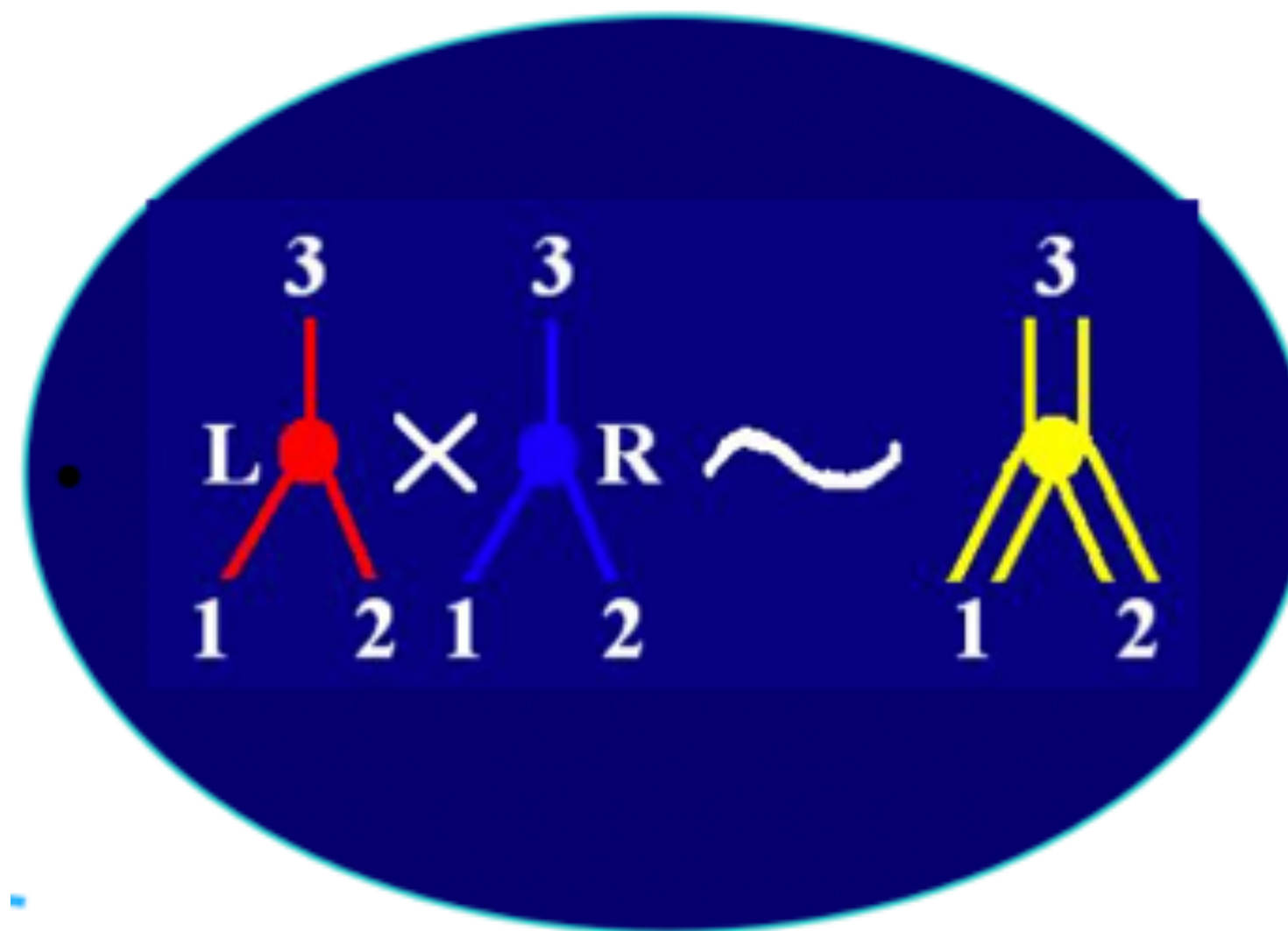
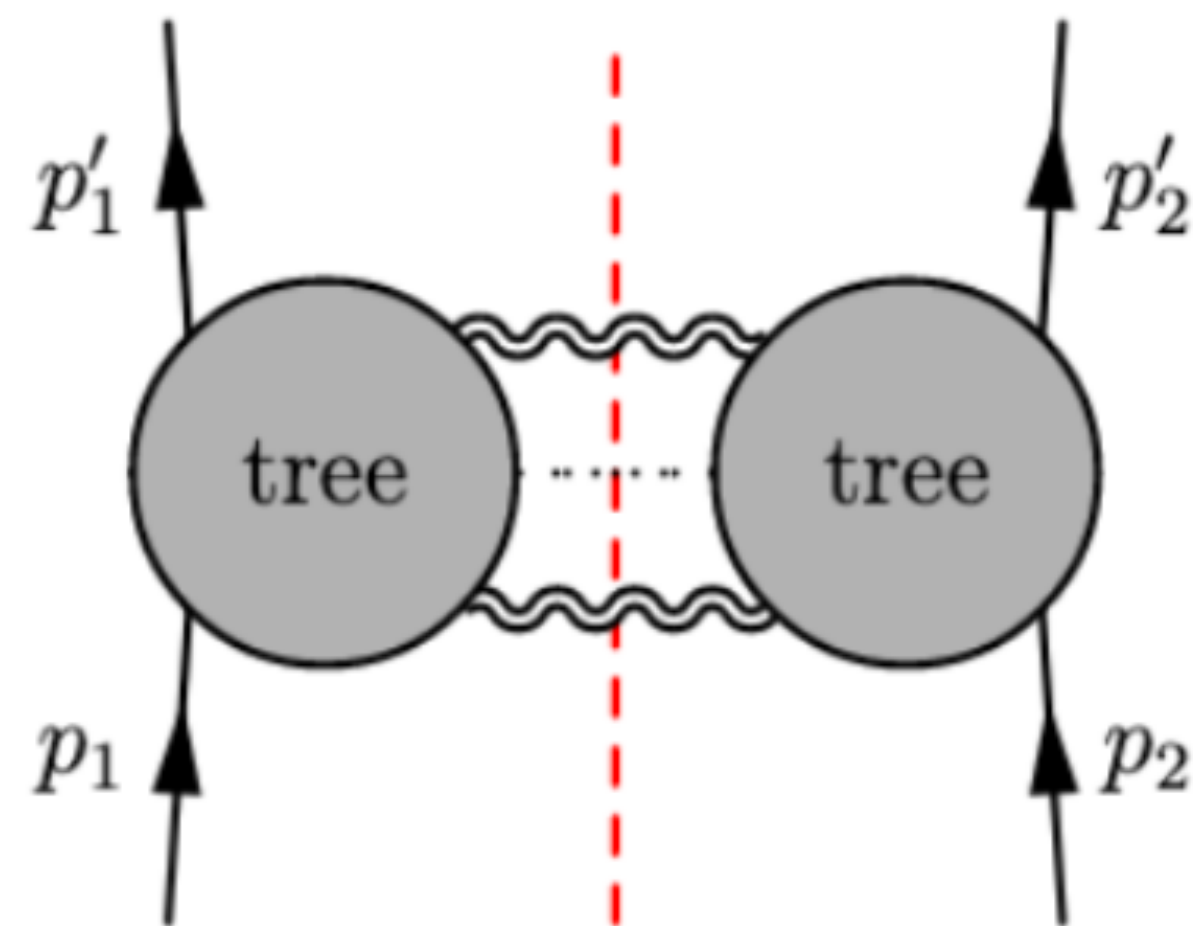
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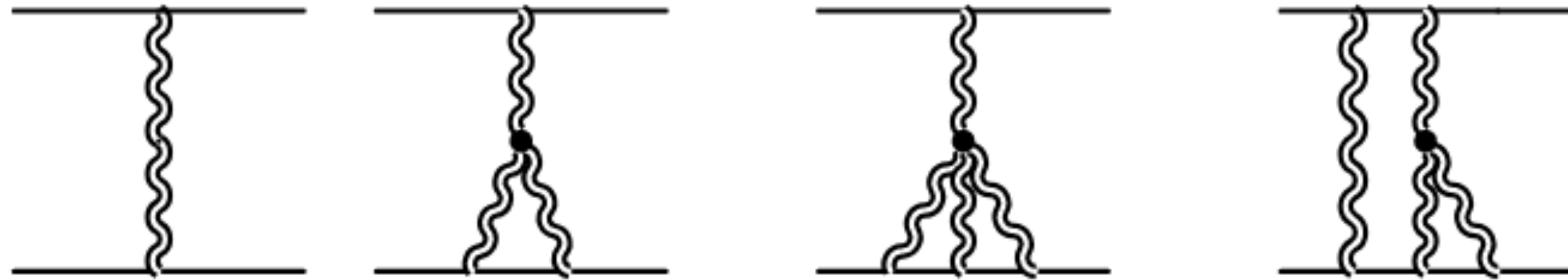
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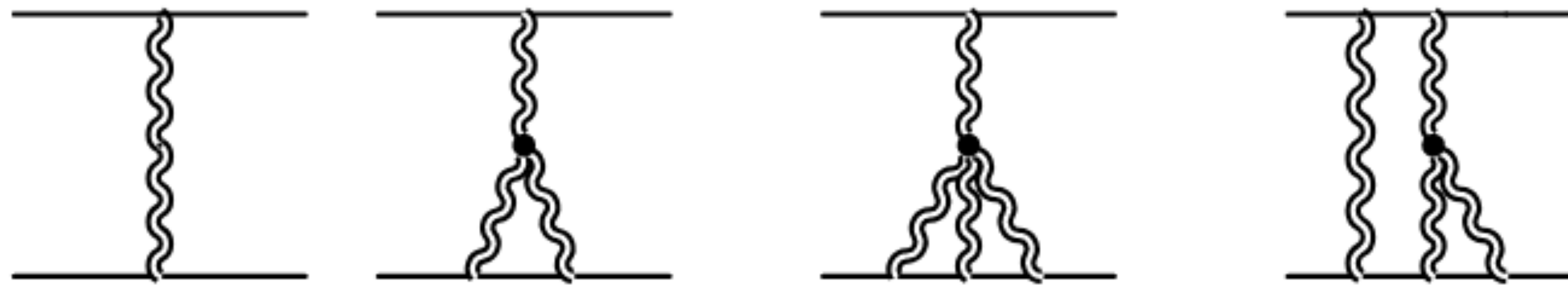
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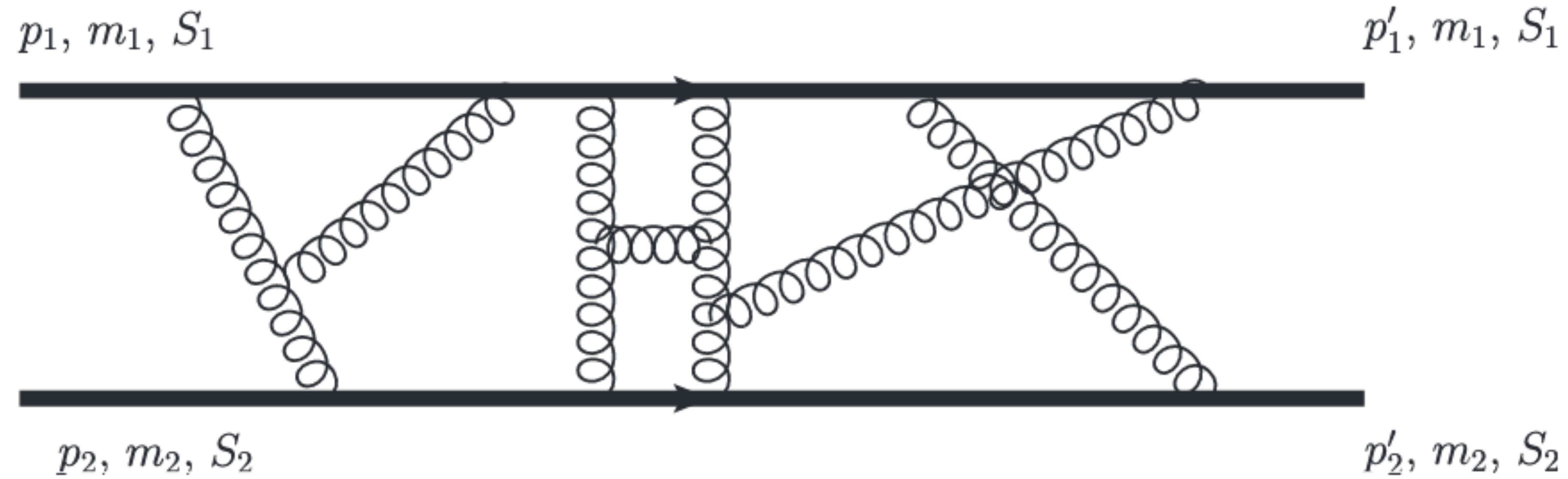
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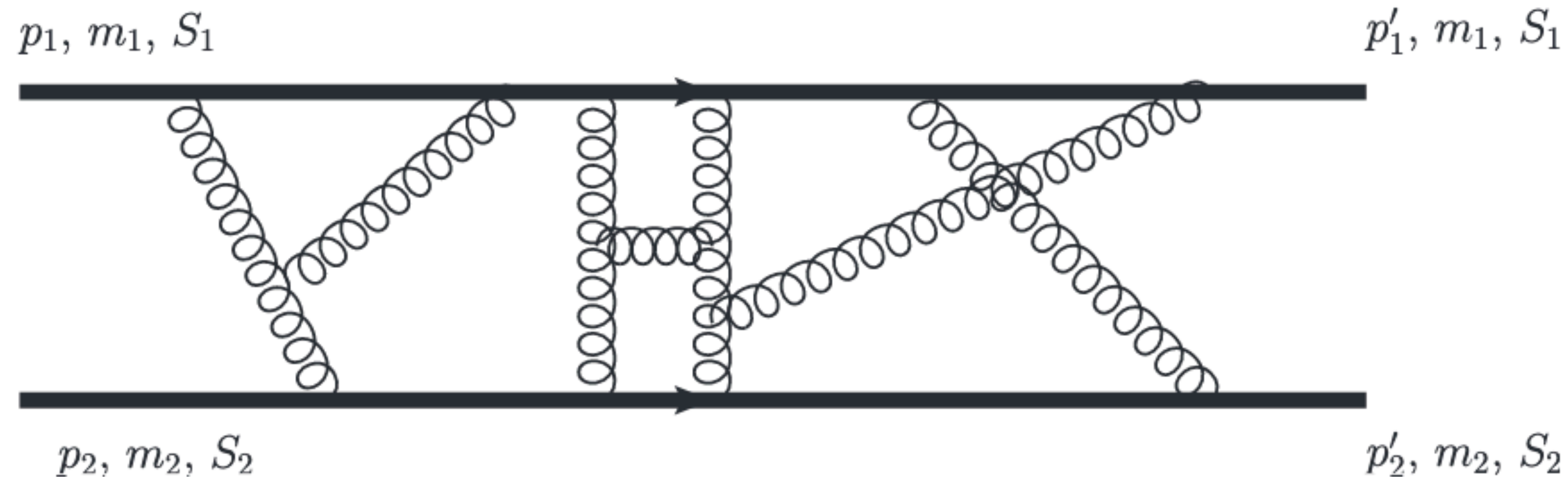
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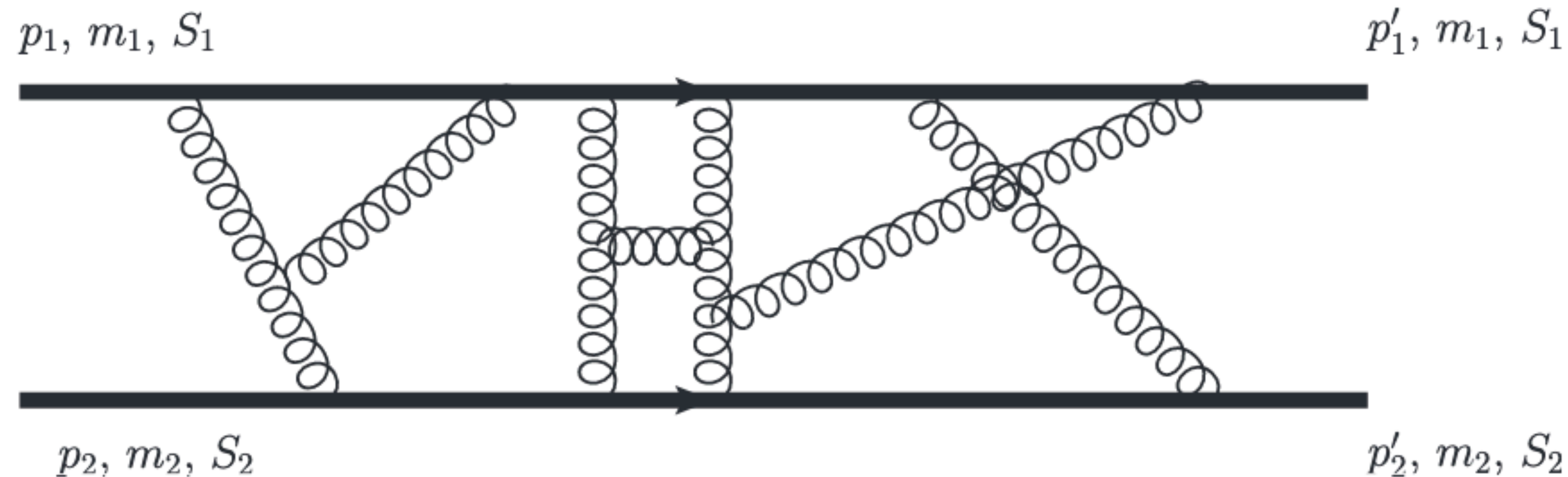


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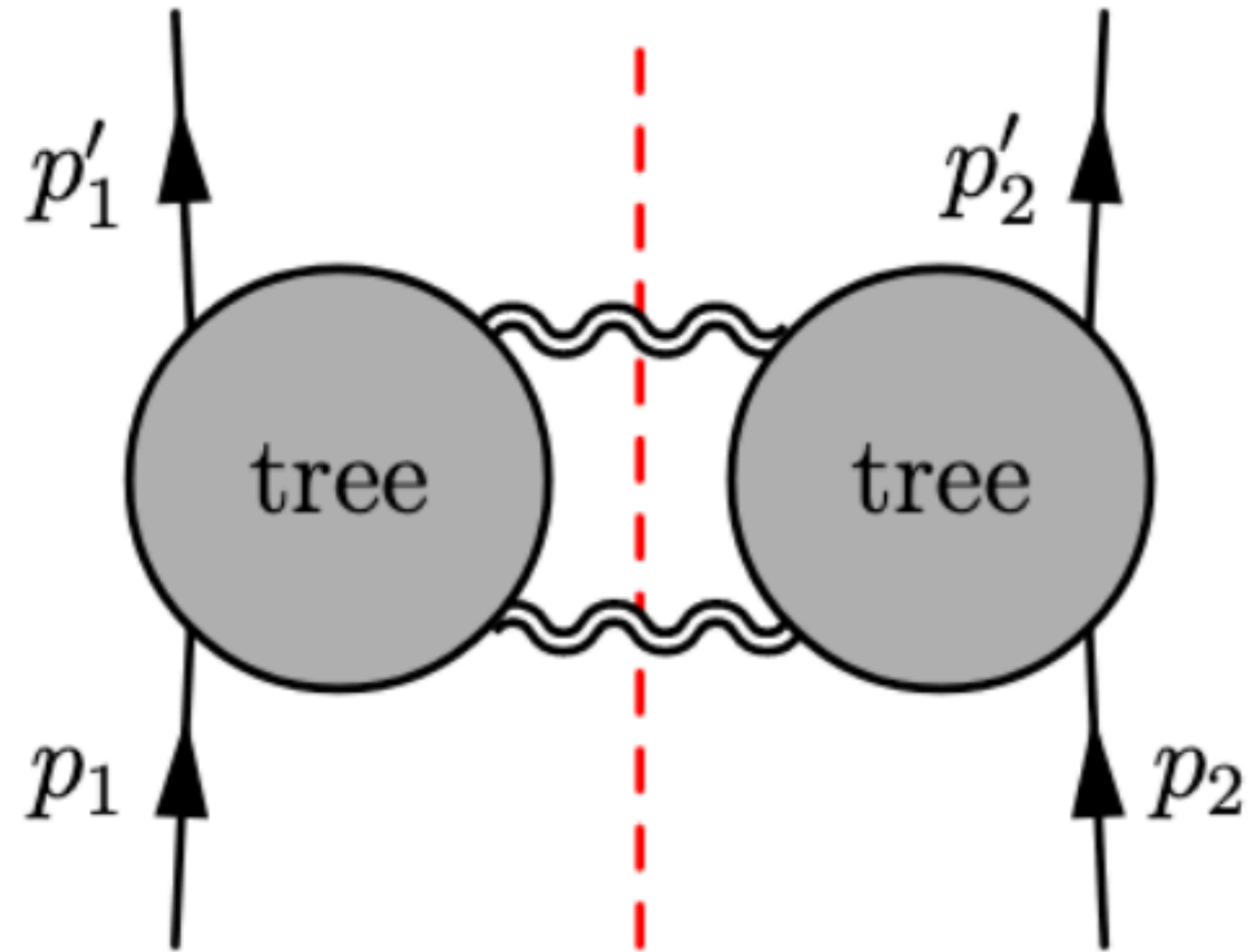
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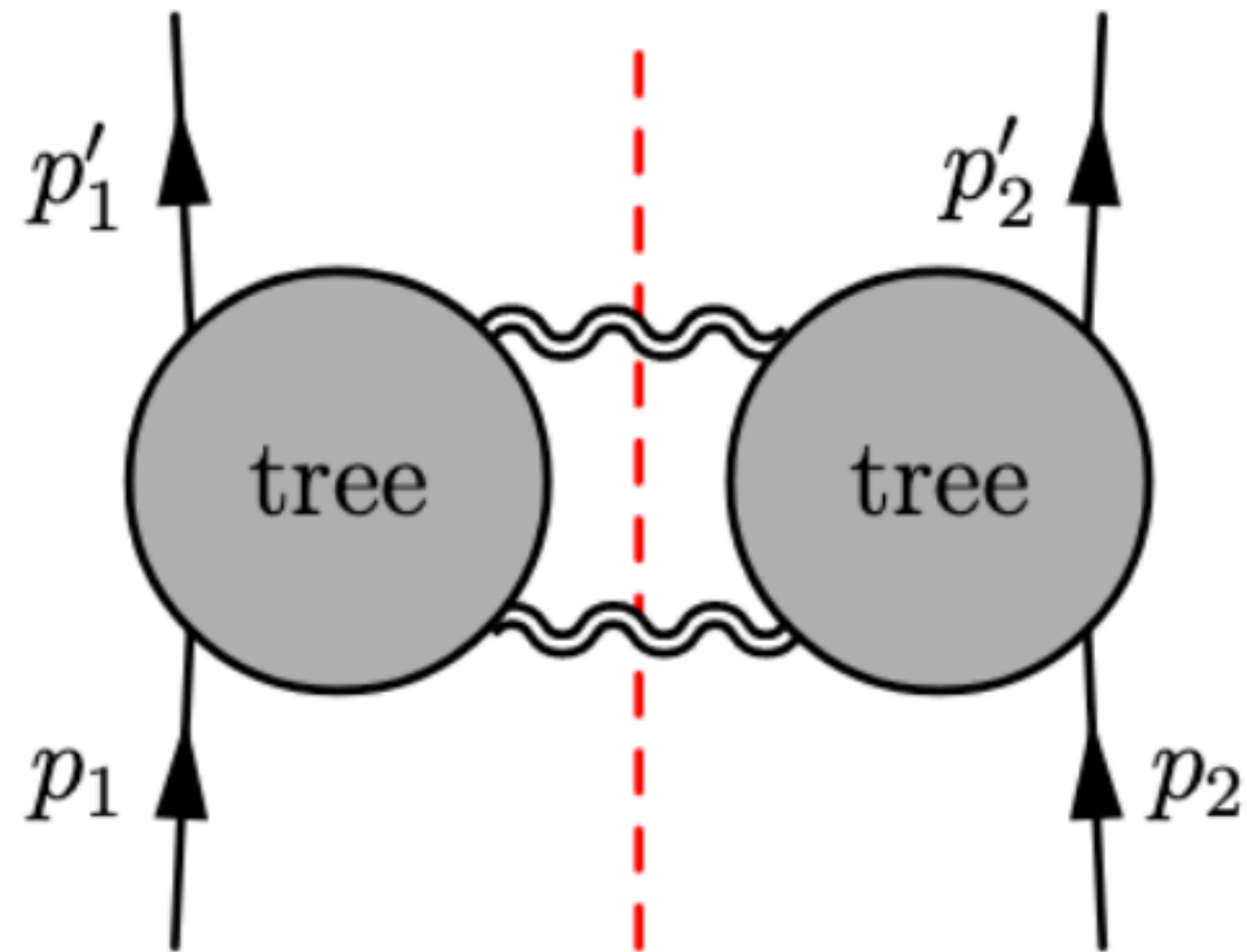
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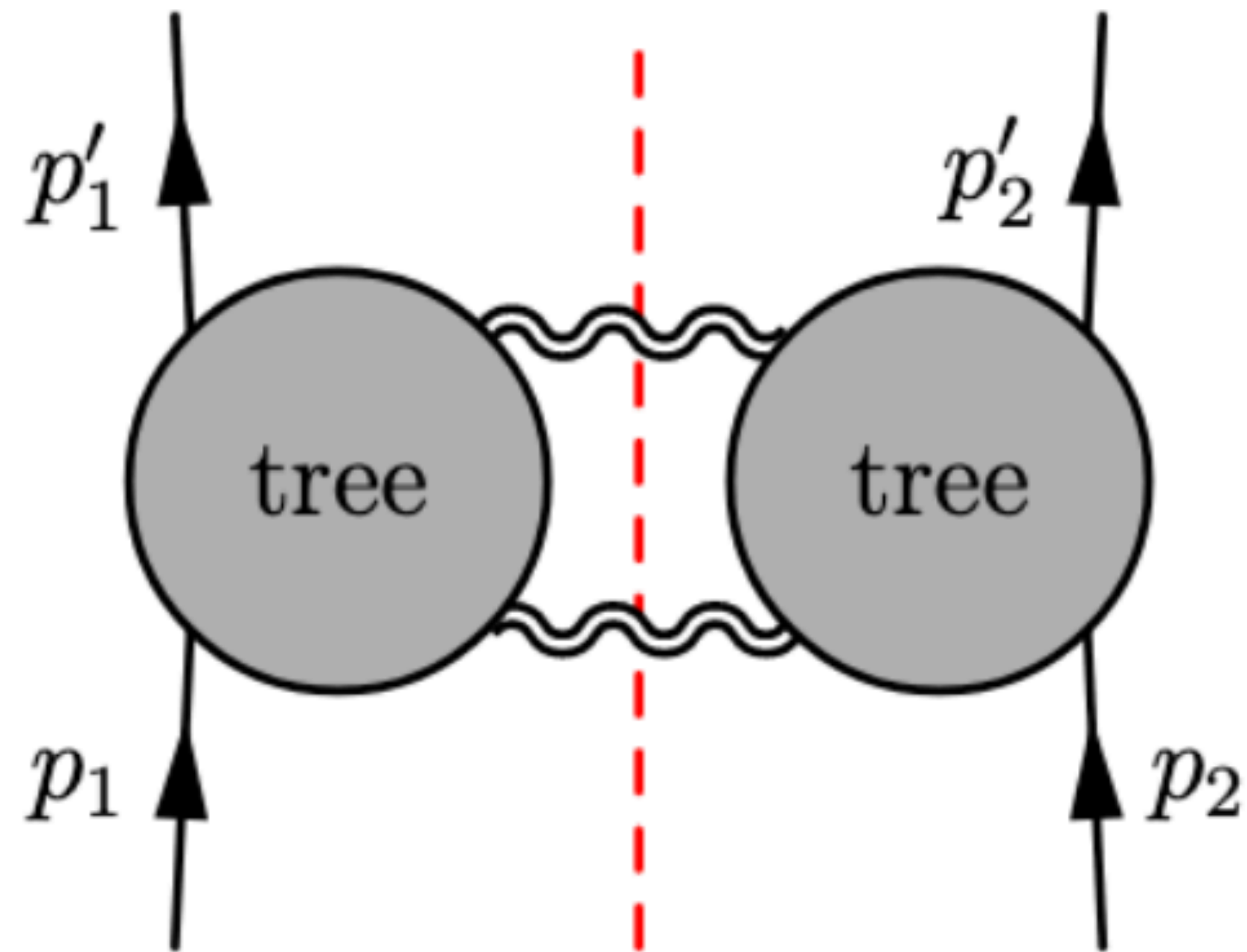
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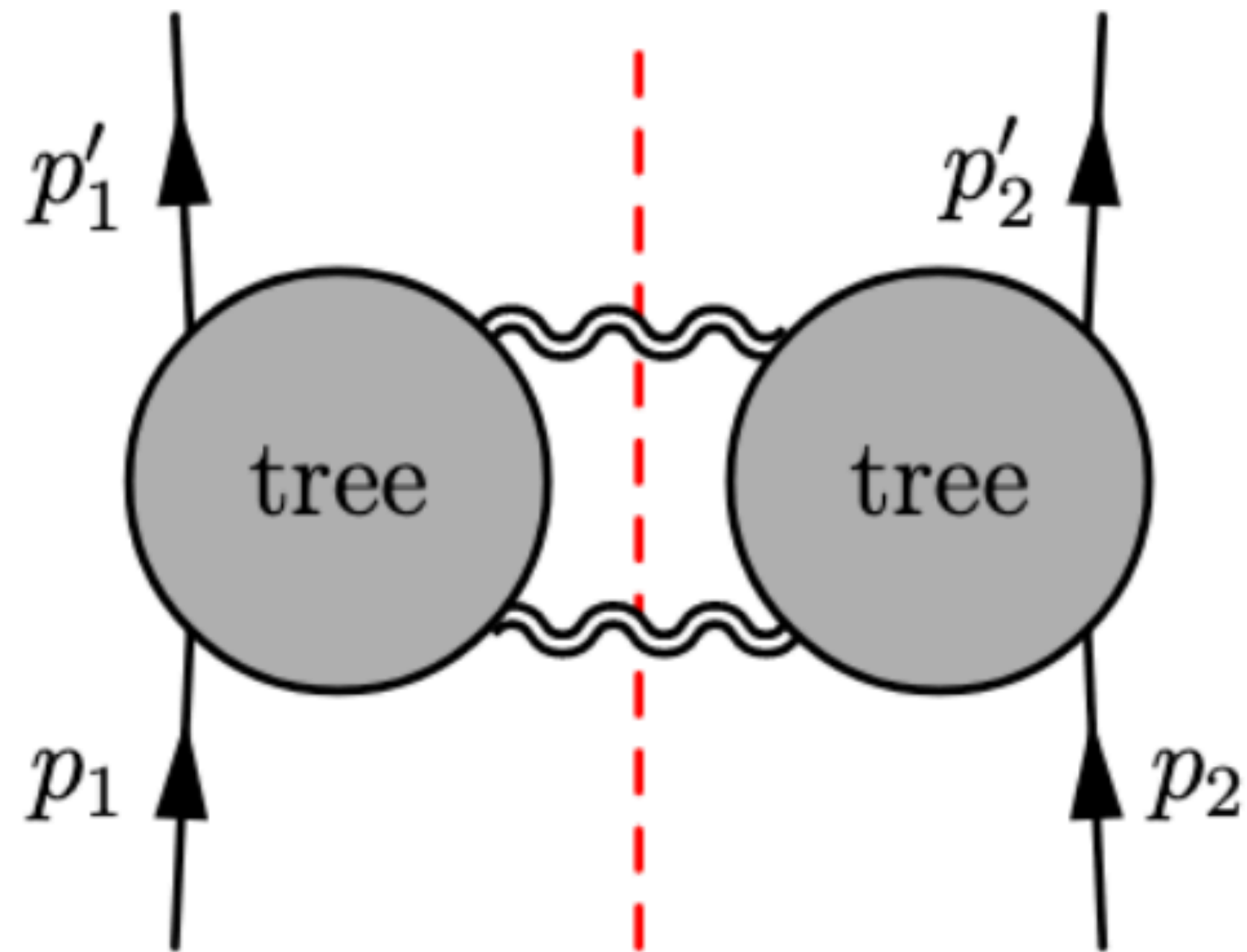


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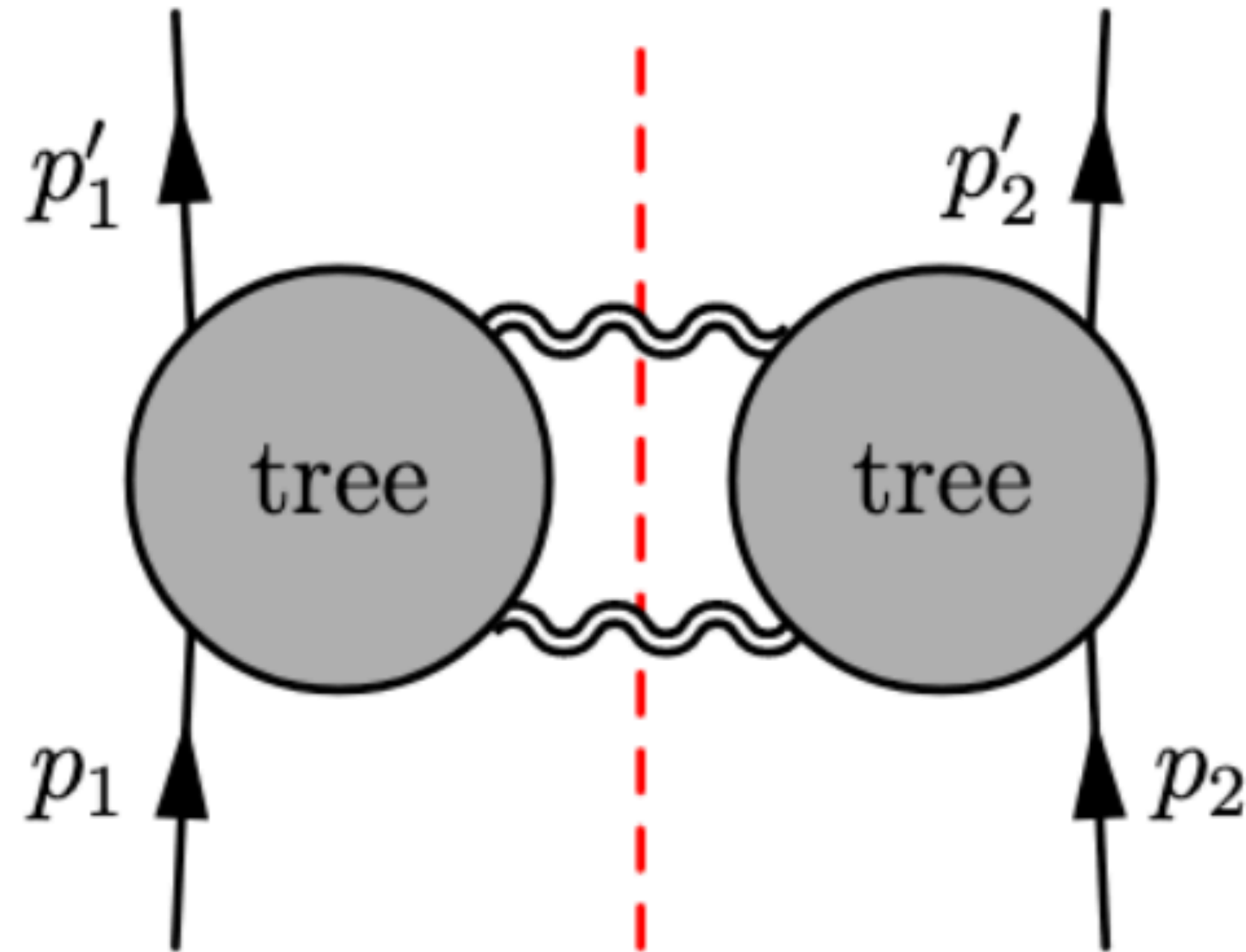
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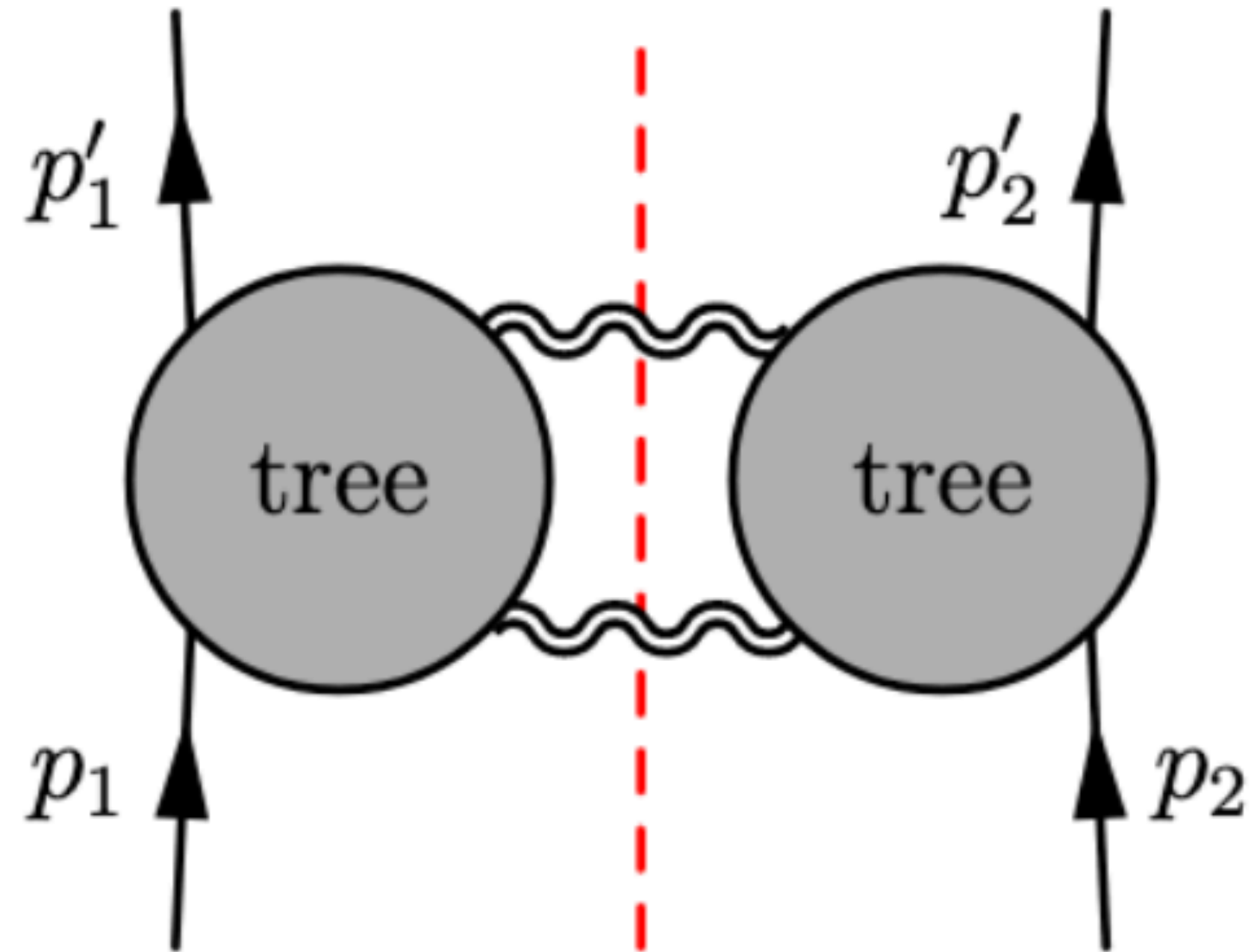
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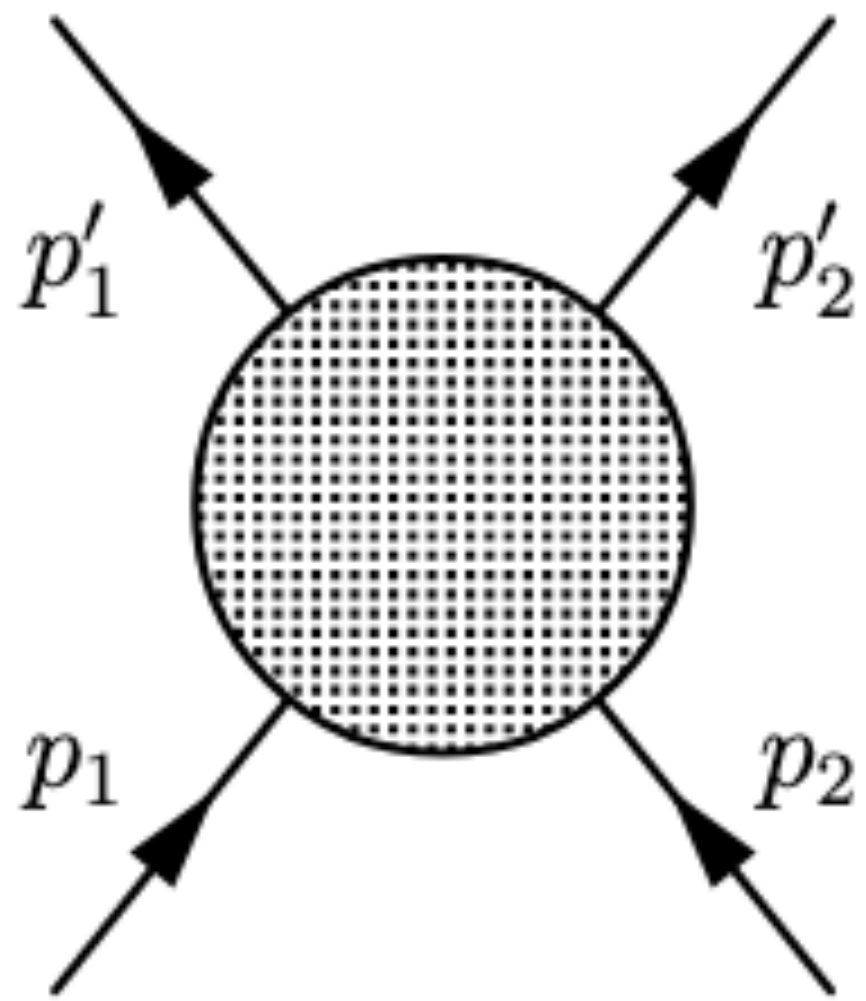
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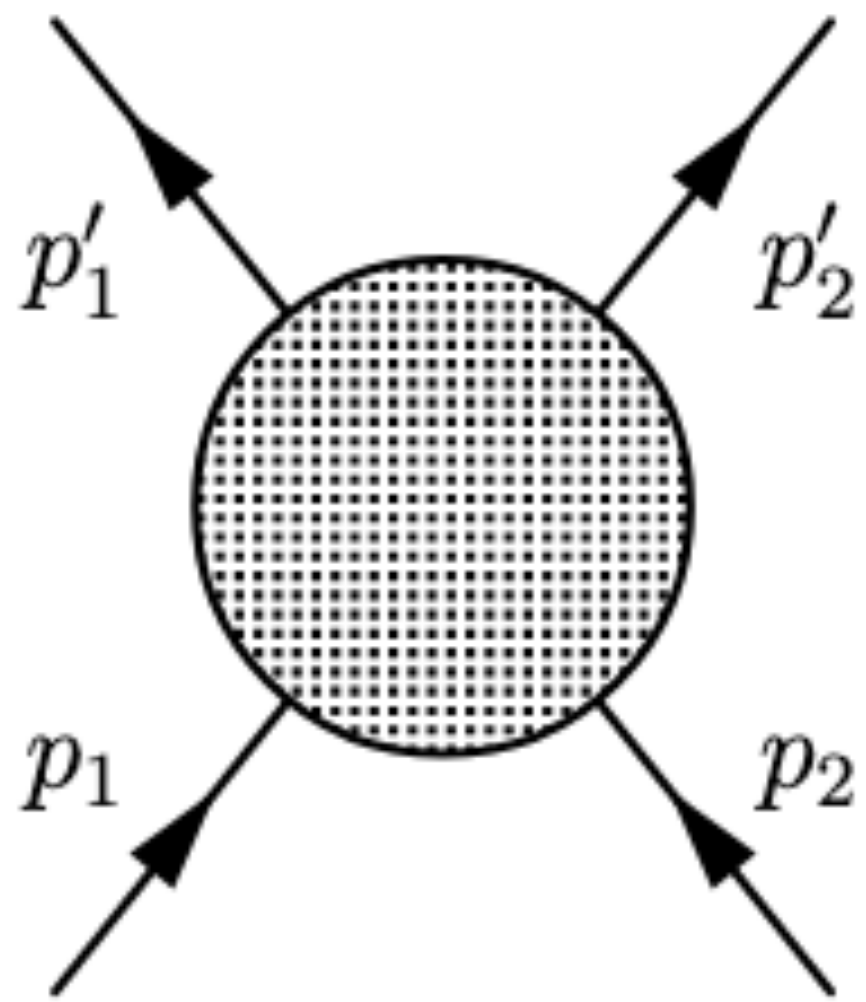
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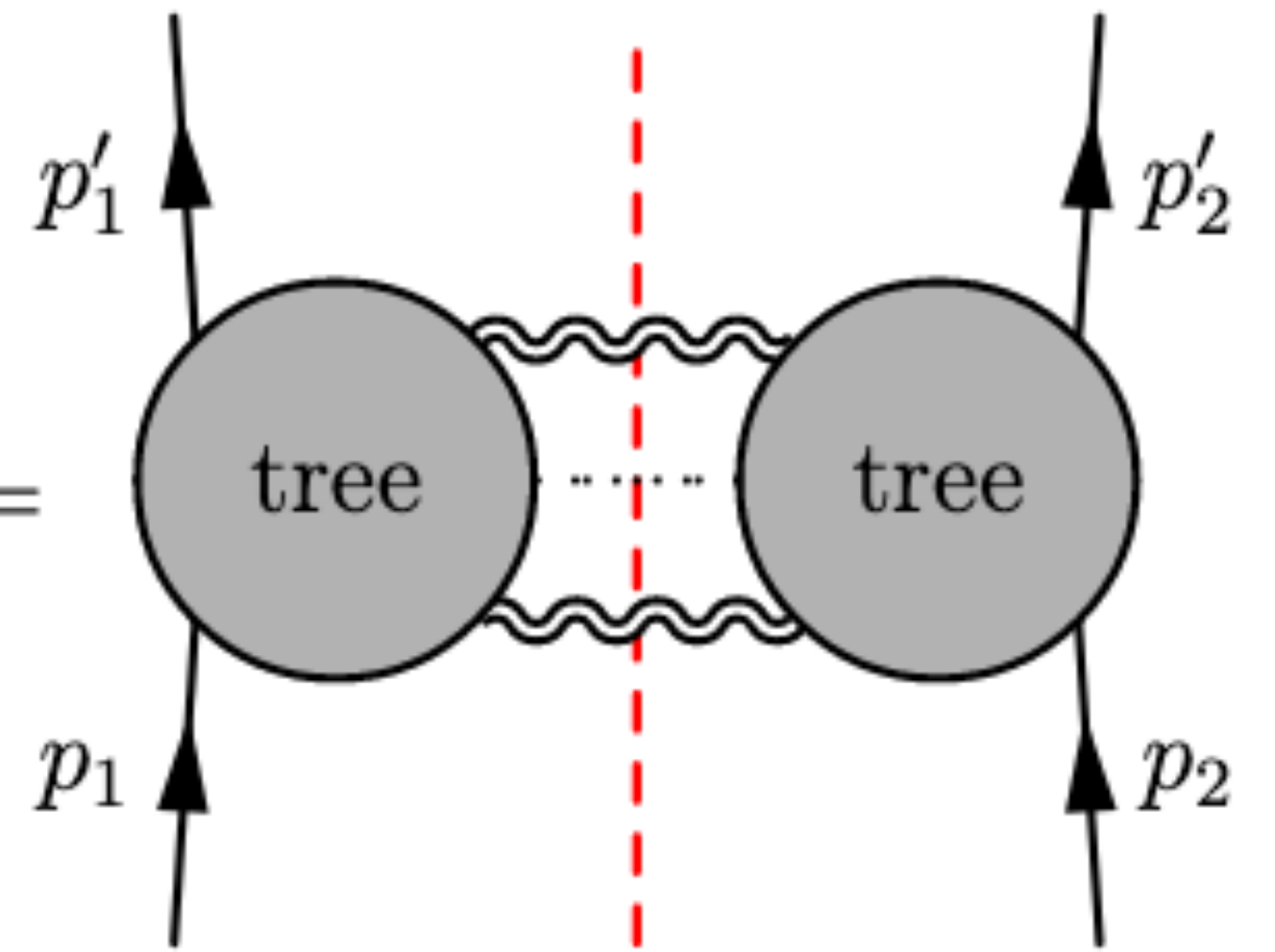
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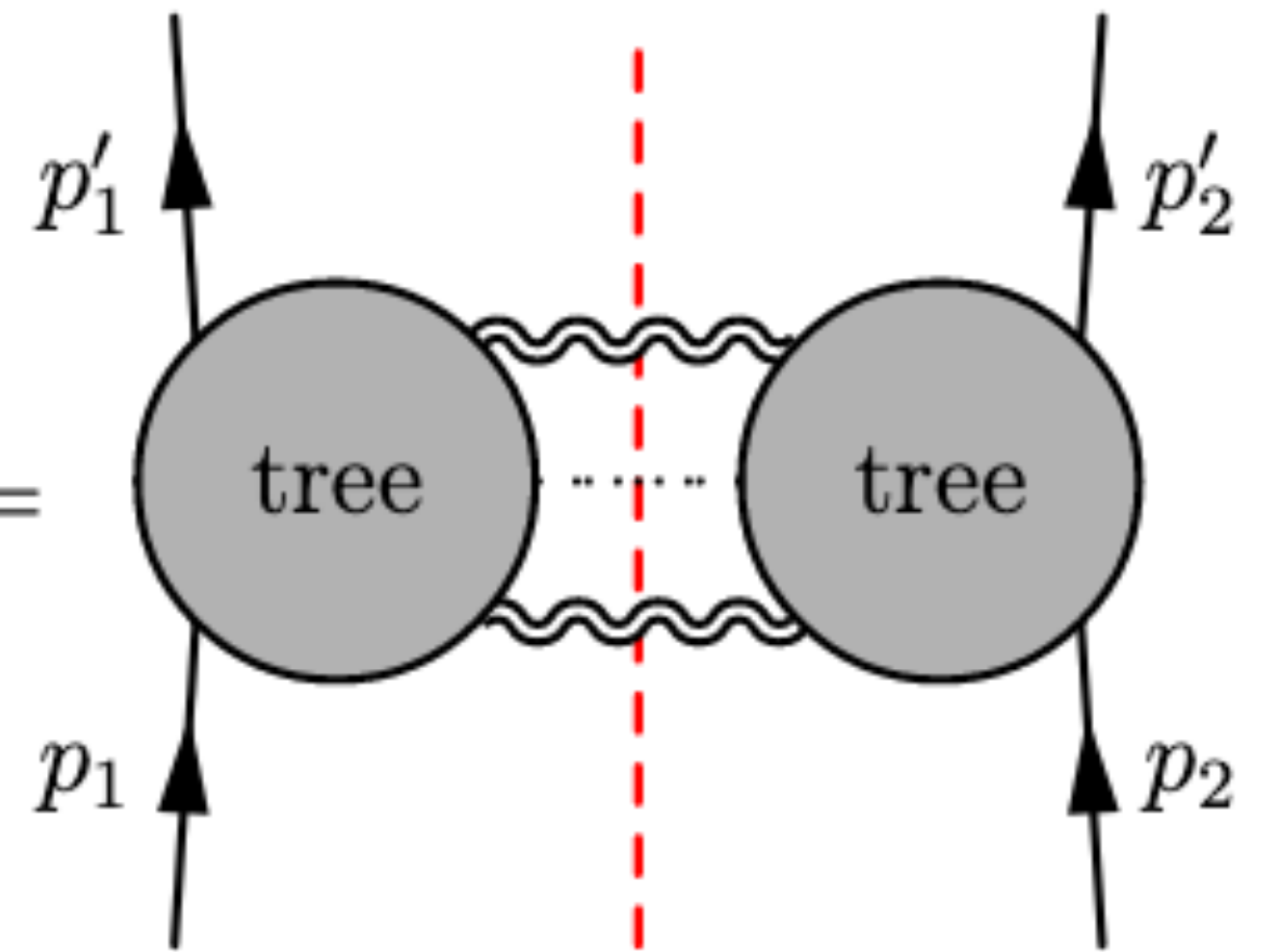
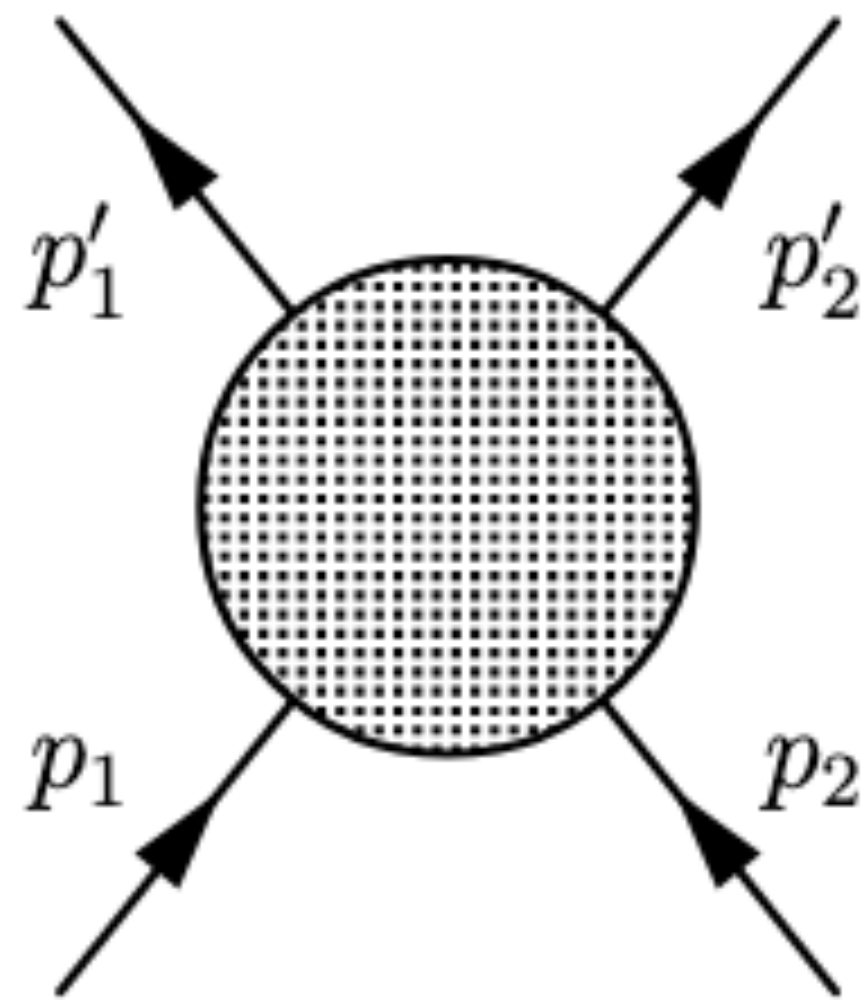
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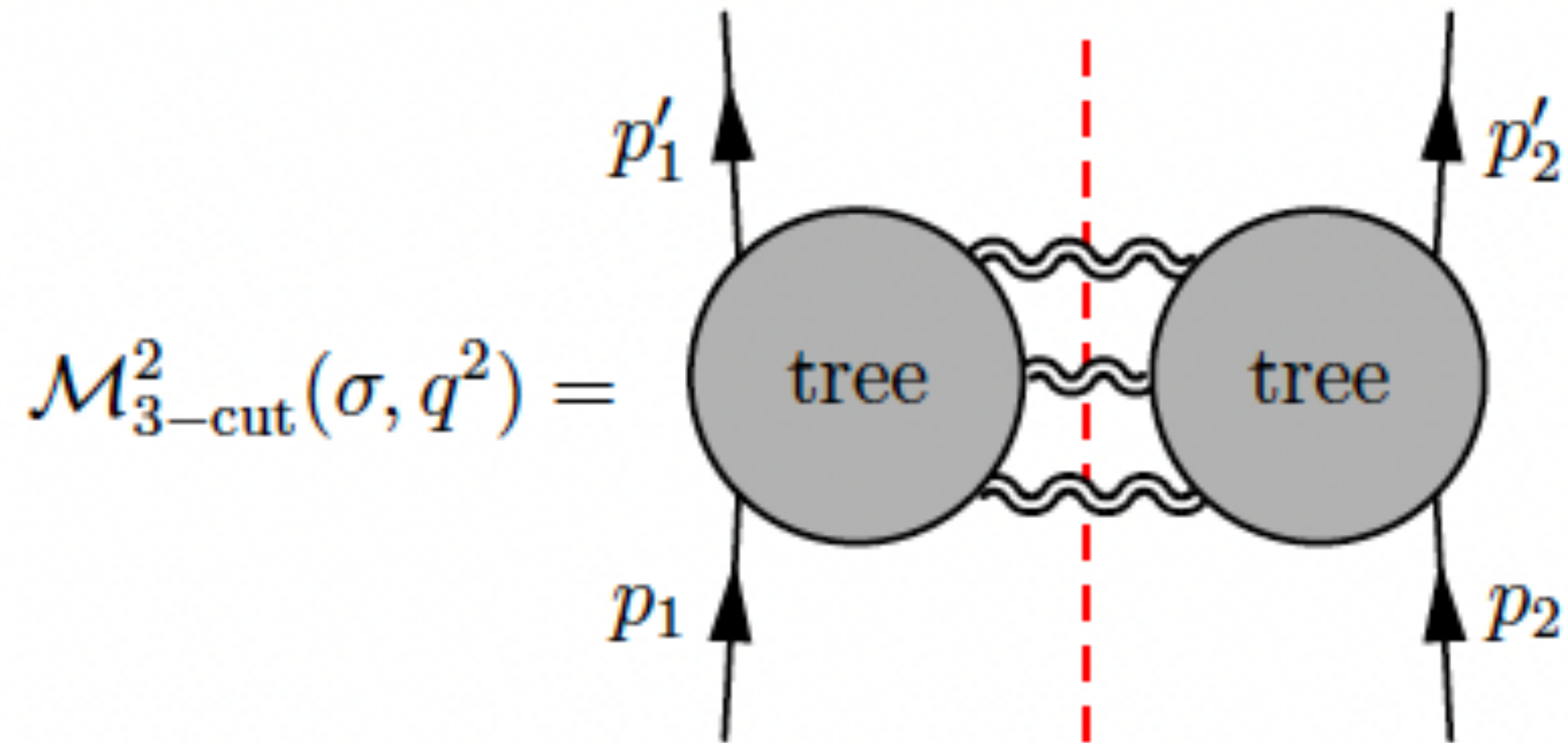
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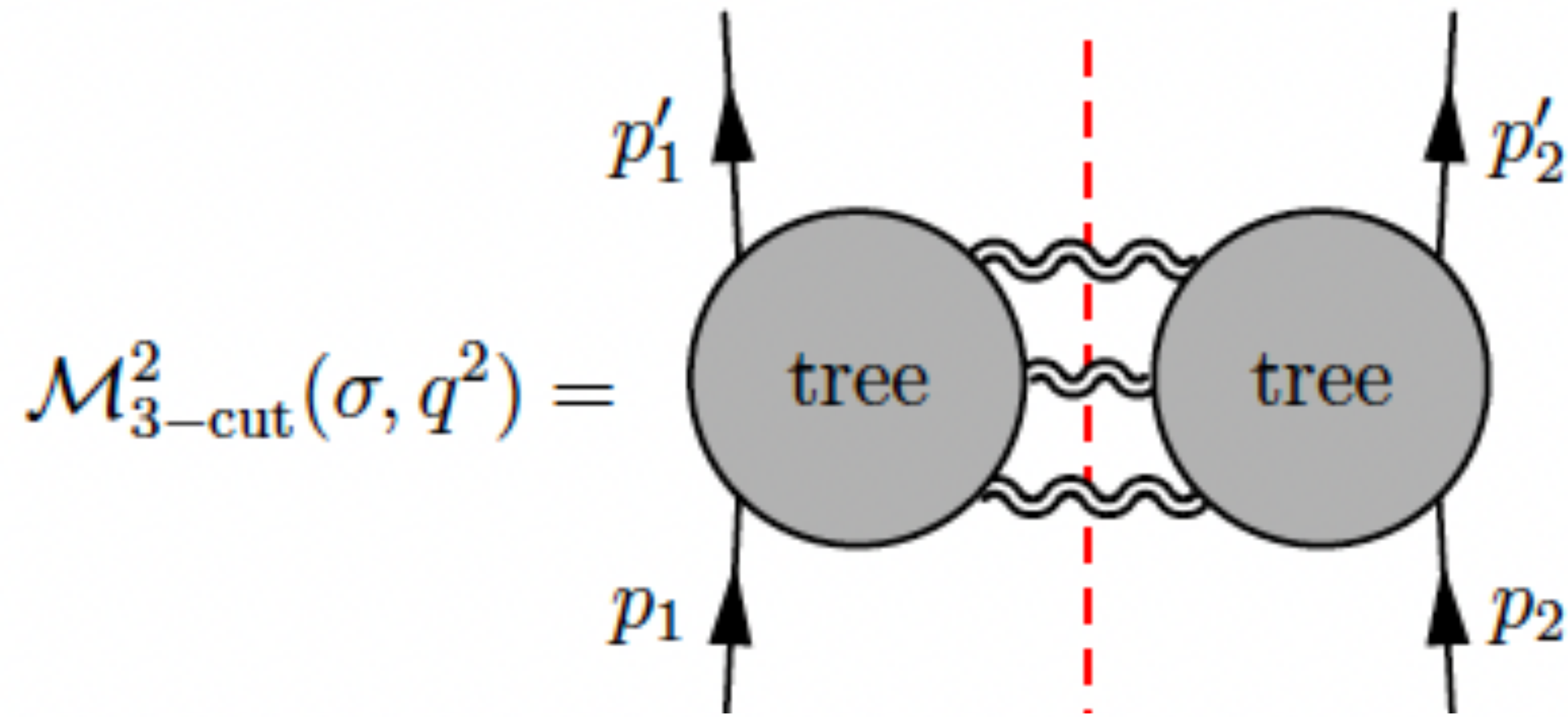


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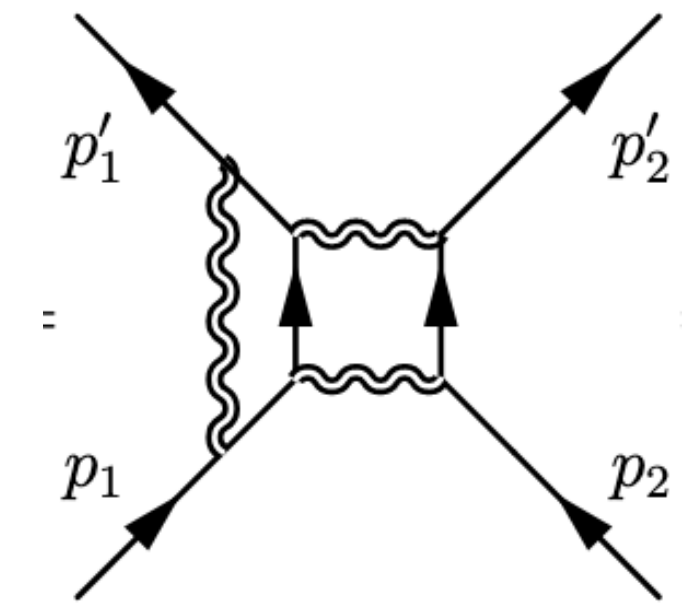
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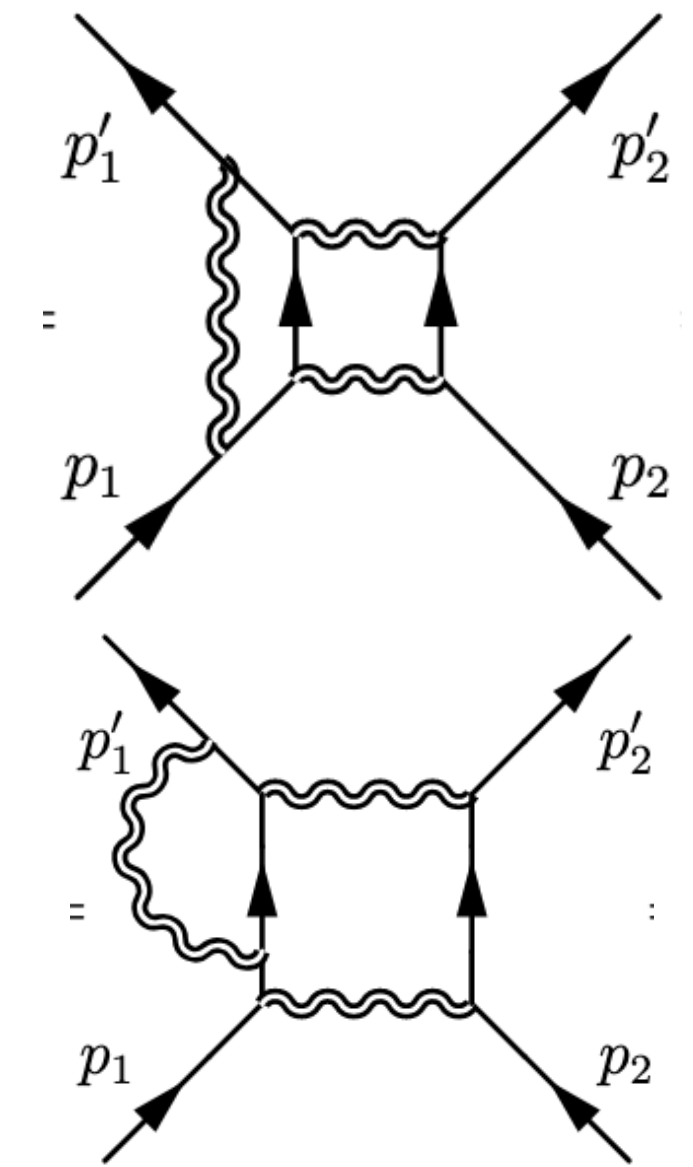
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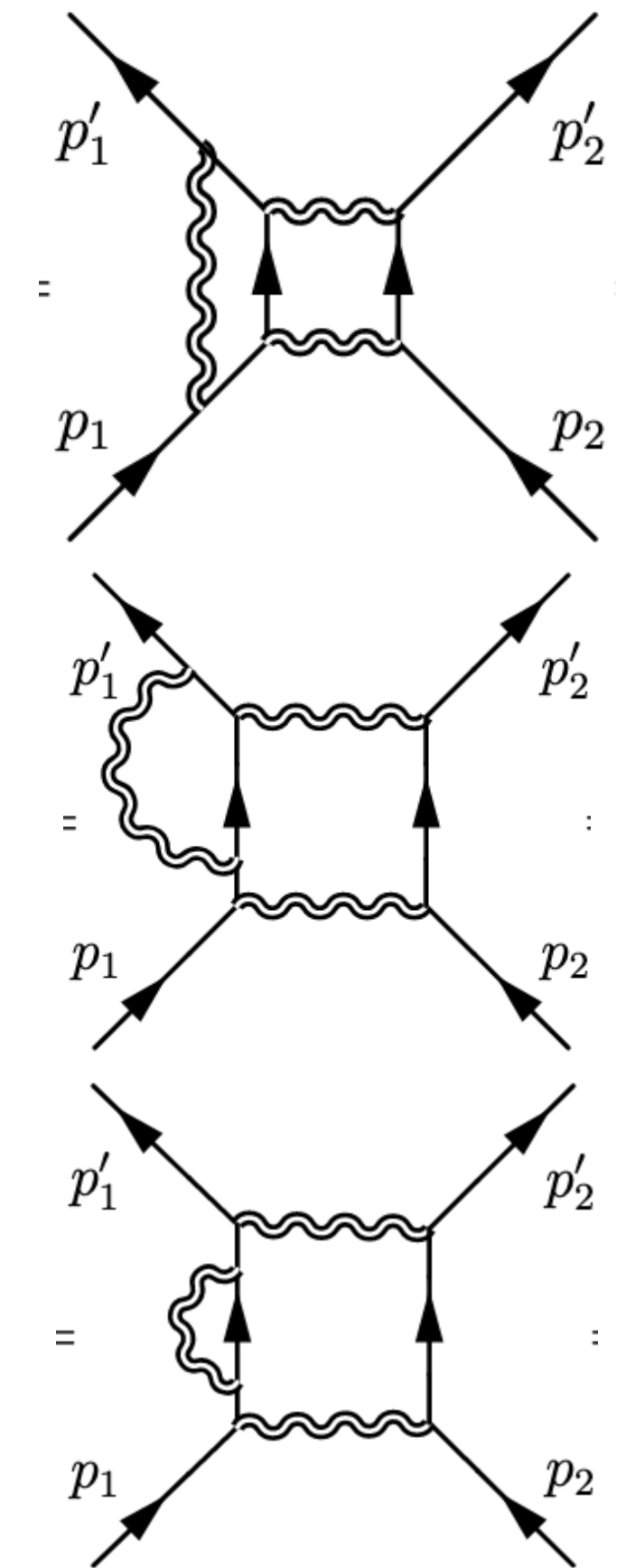
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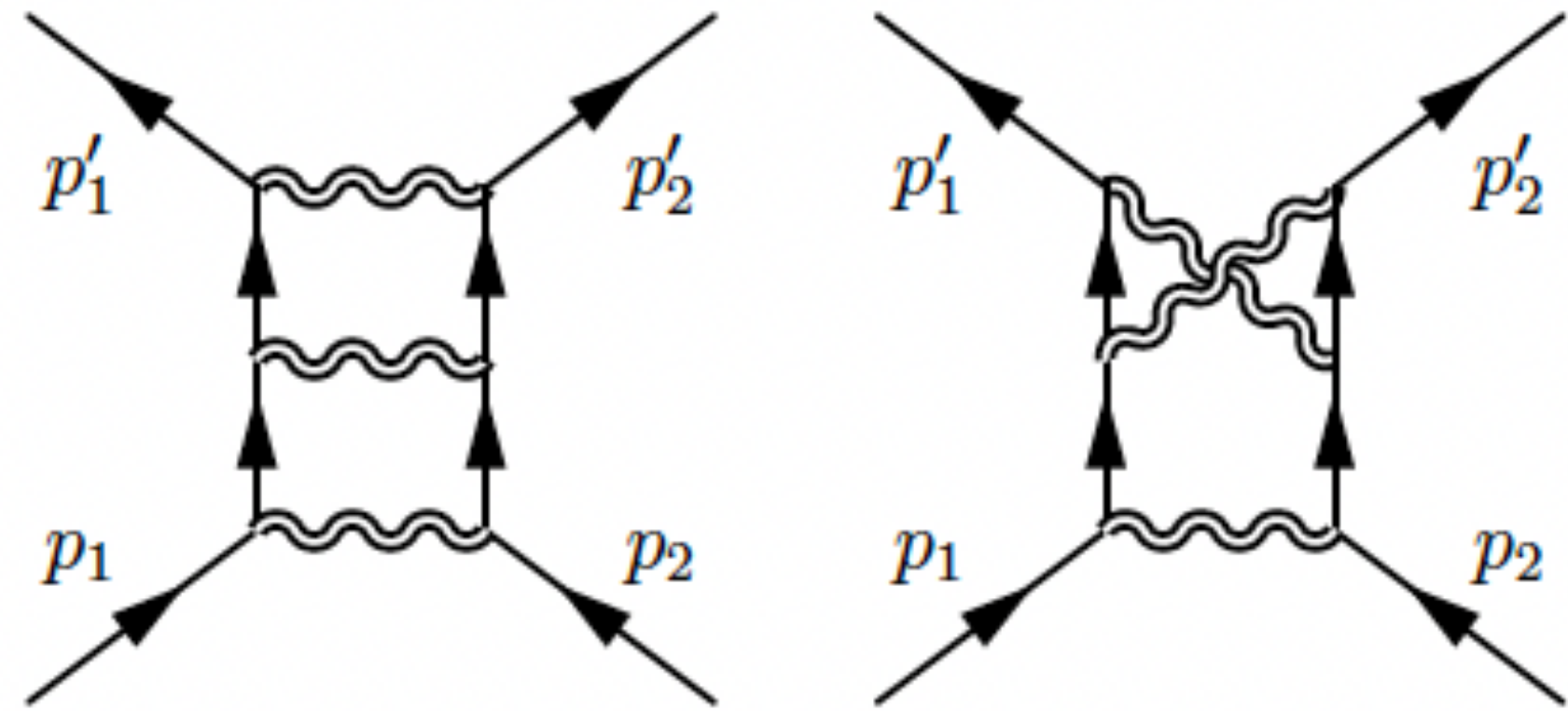
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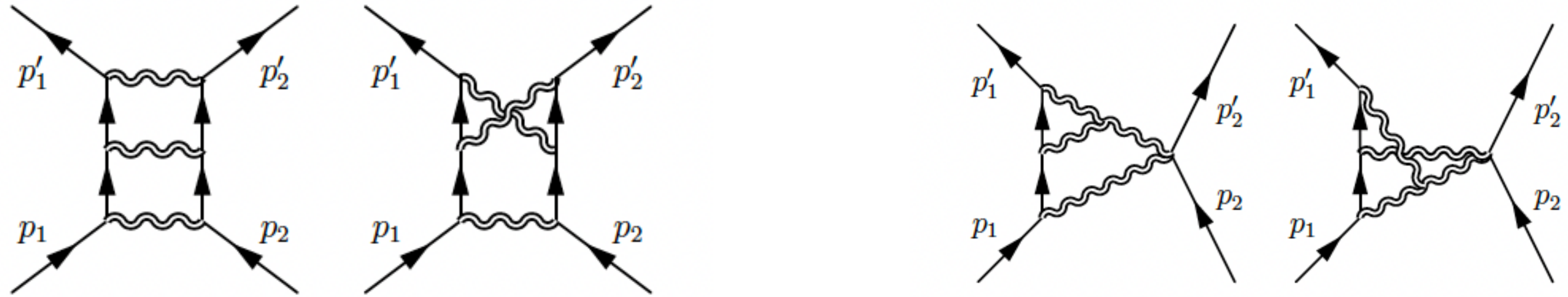


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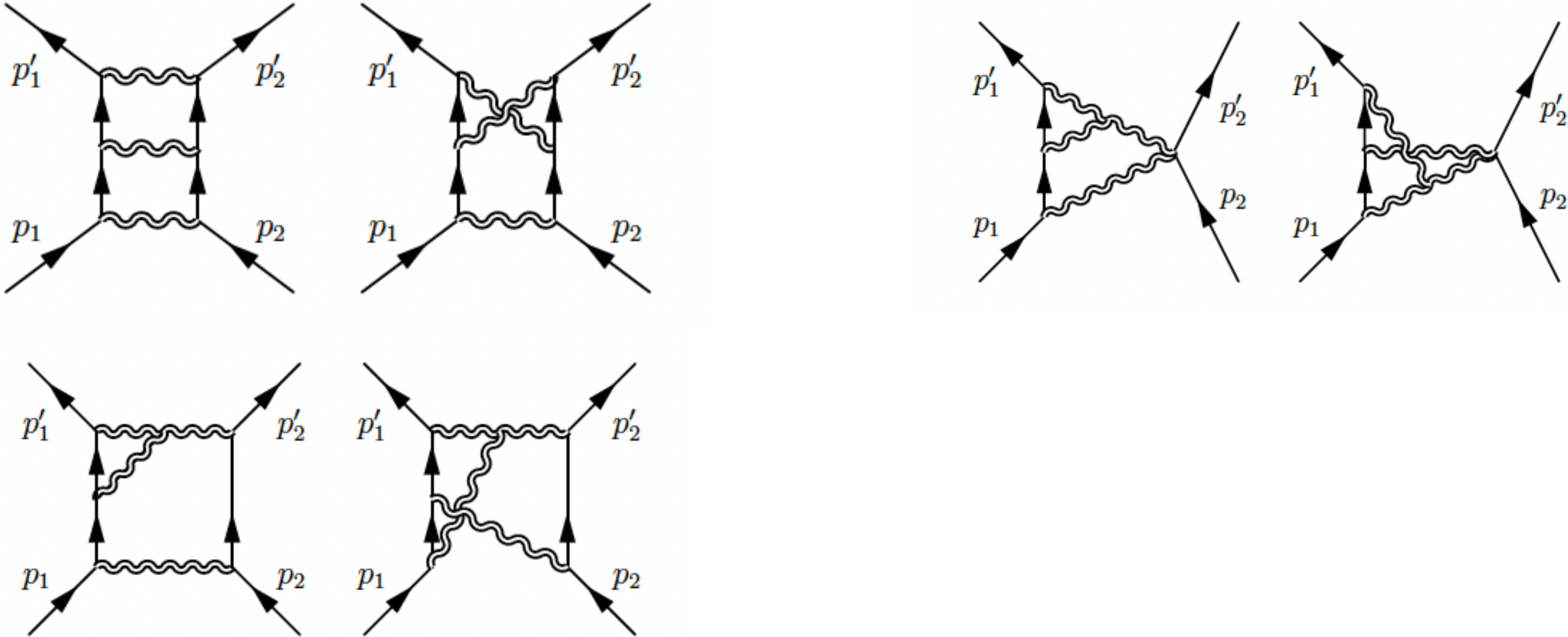
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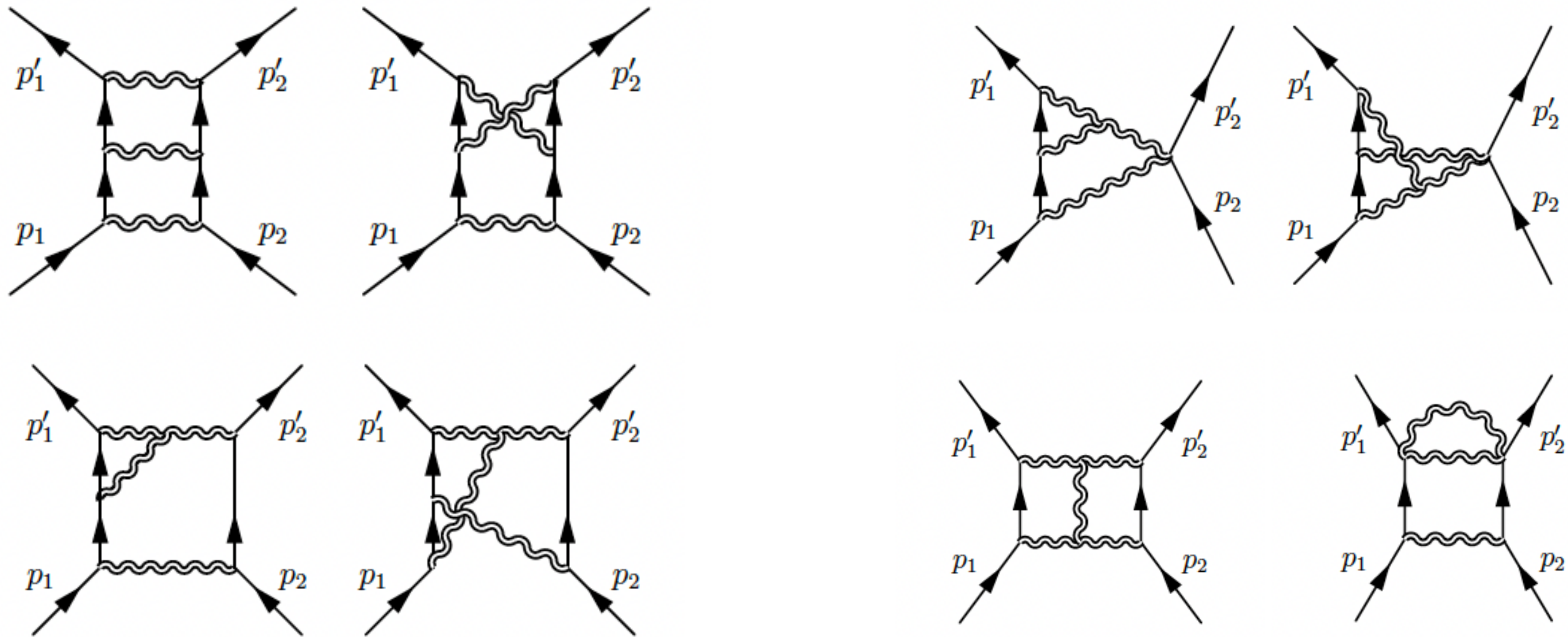


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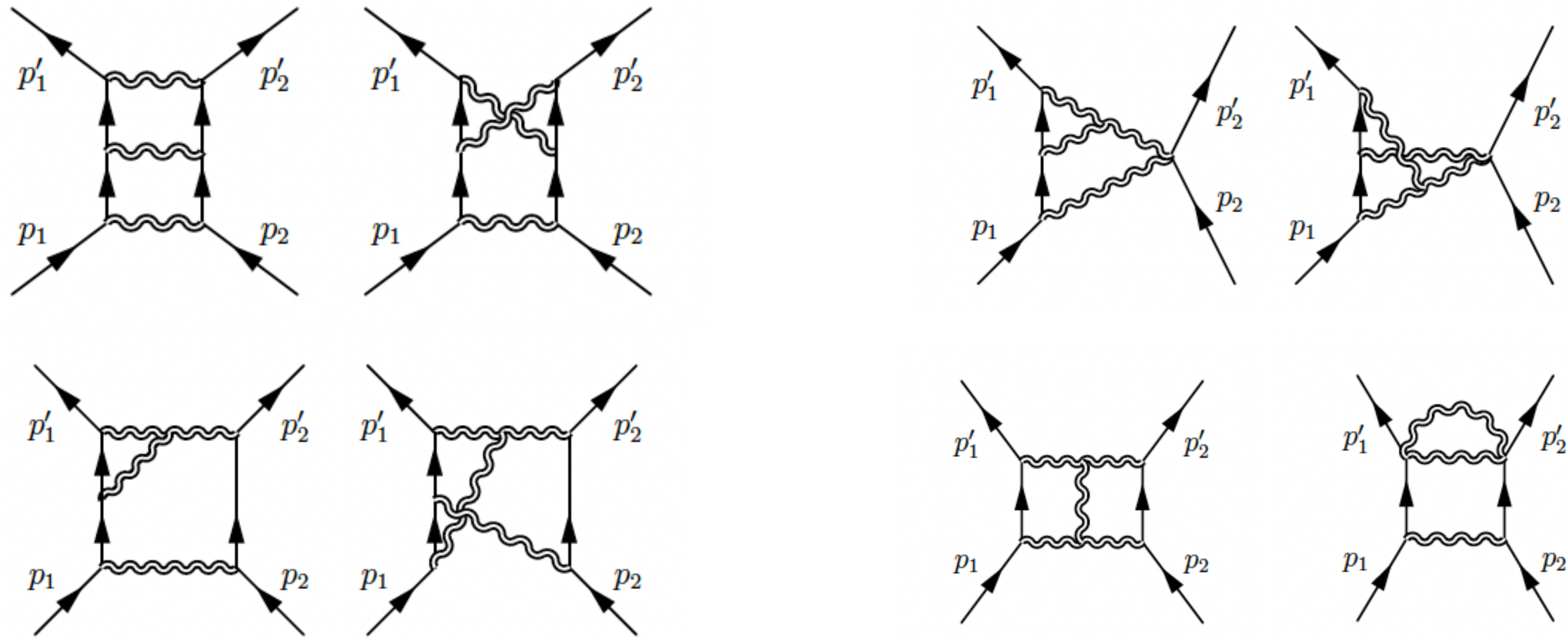




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Again iterative structure like one-loop, part of a bigger scheme..Seen after Fourier transform to b space

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(Damour; Di Vecchia et al; Hermann et al)

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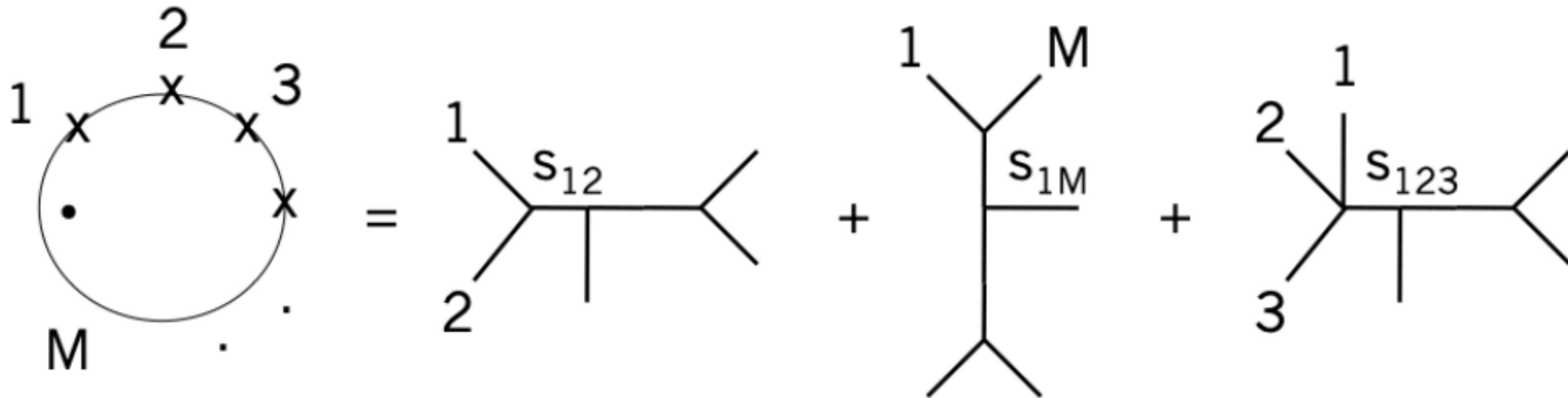
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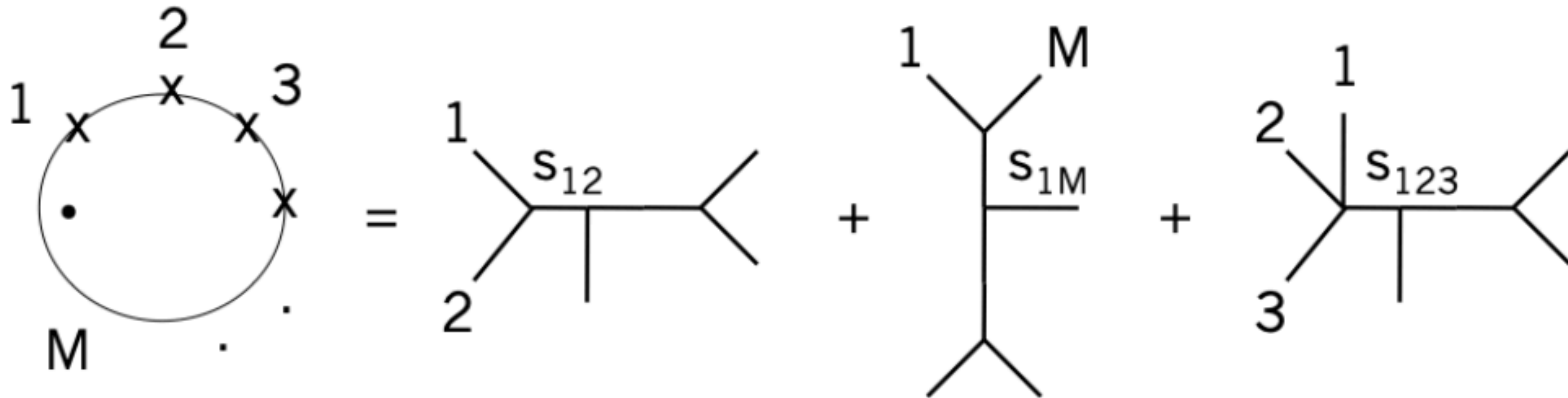


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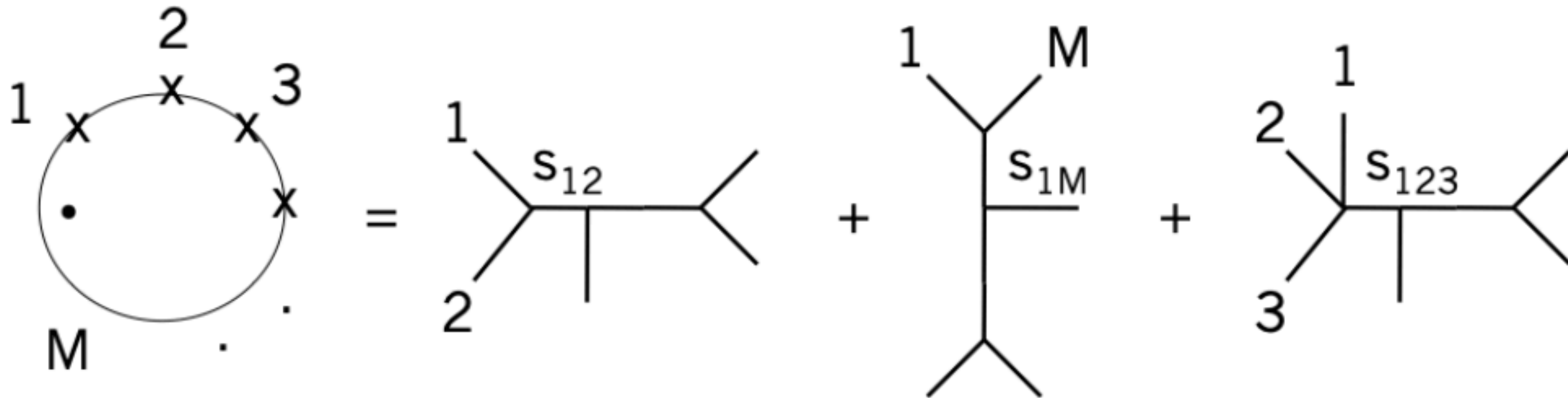
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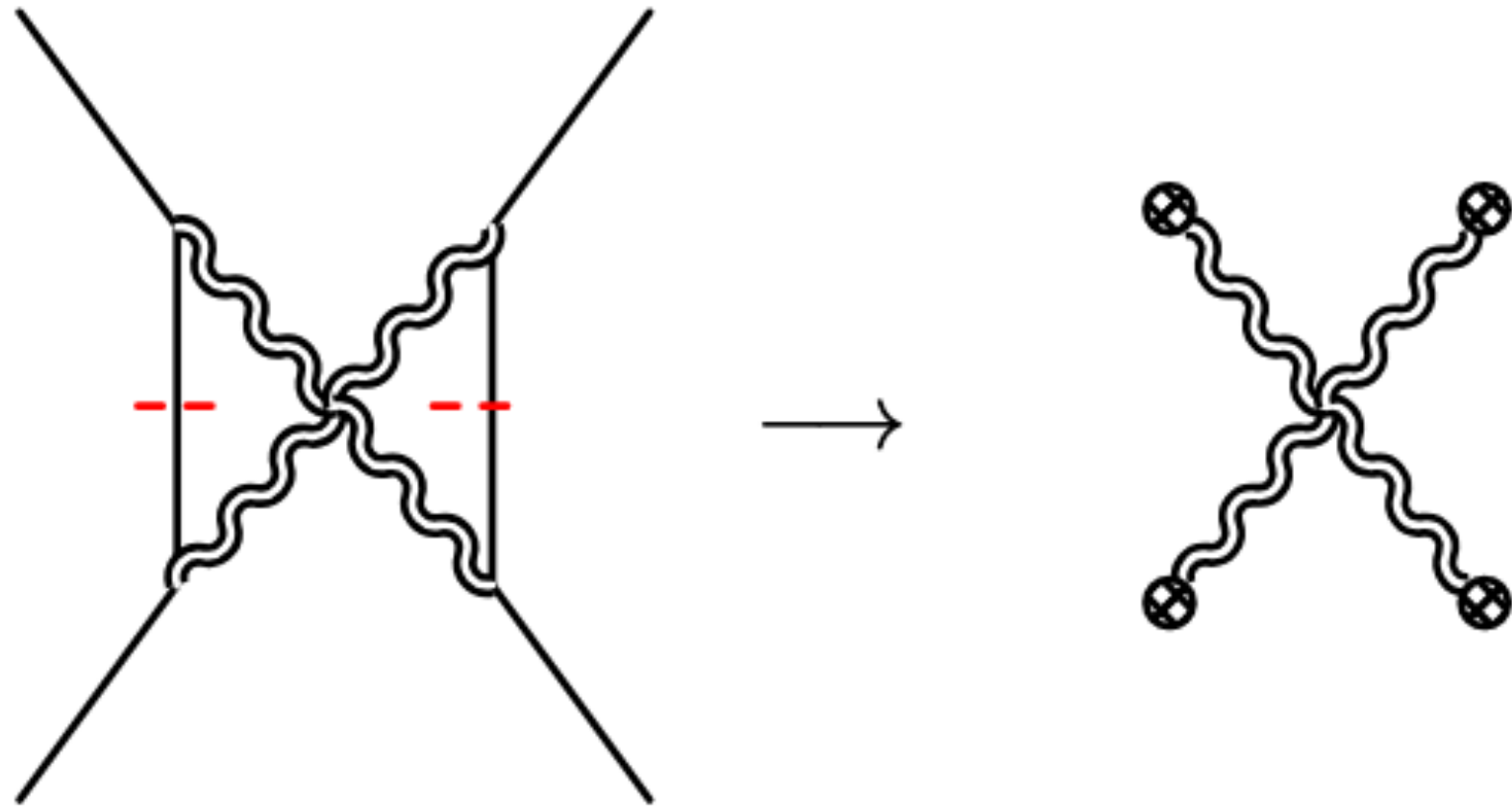
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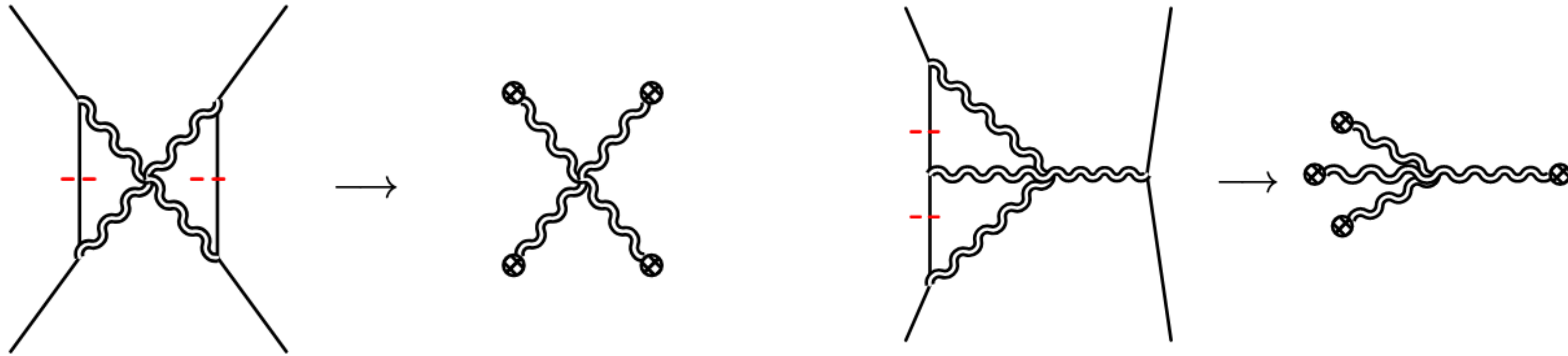
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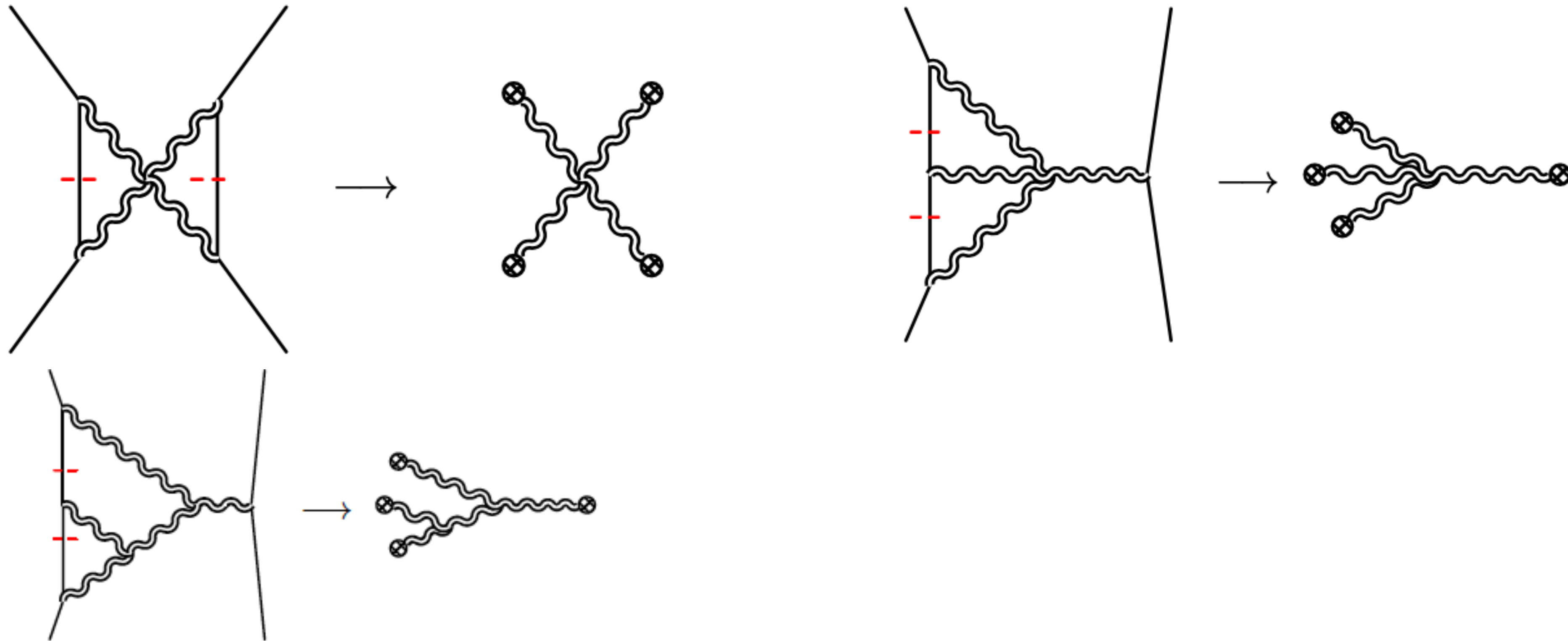
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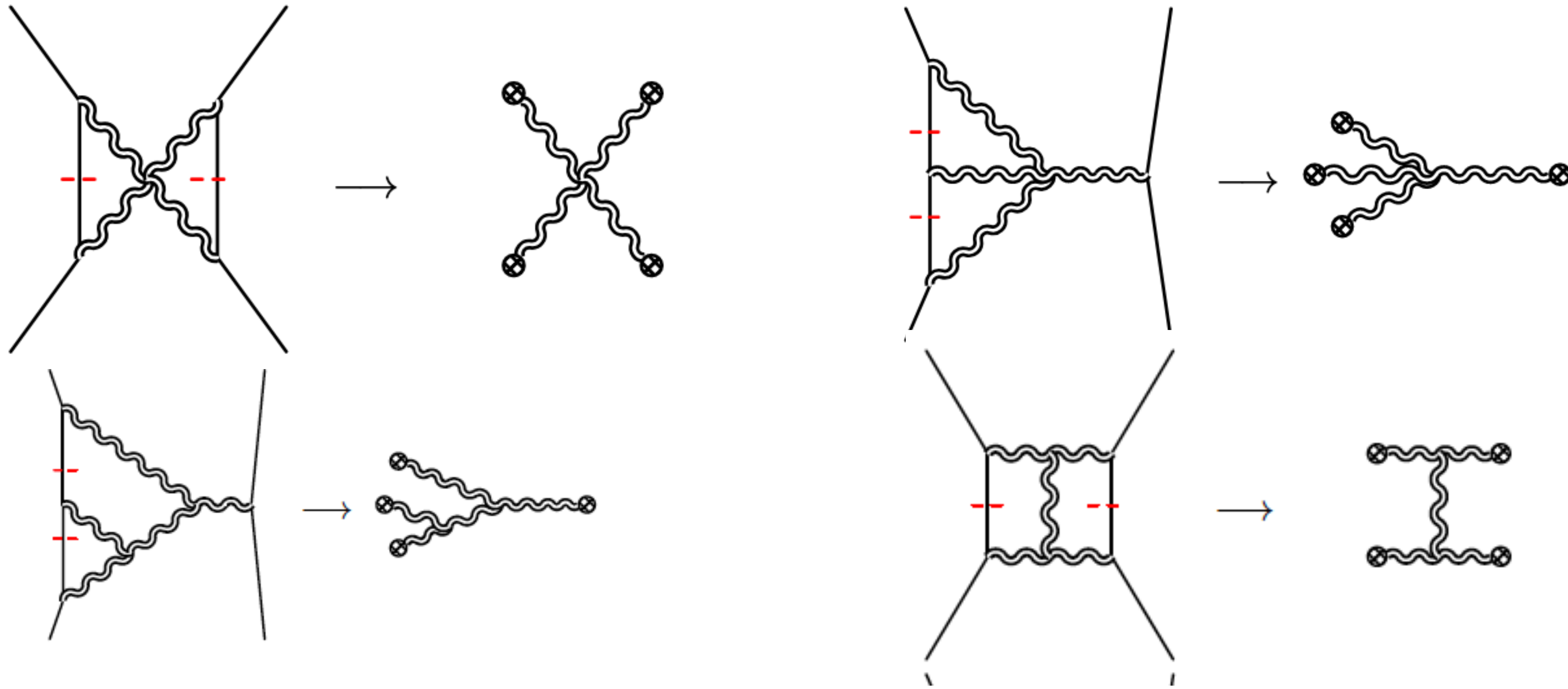
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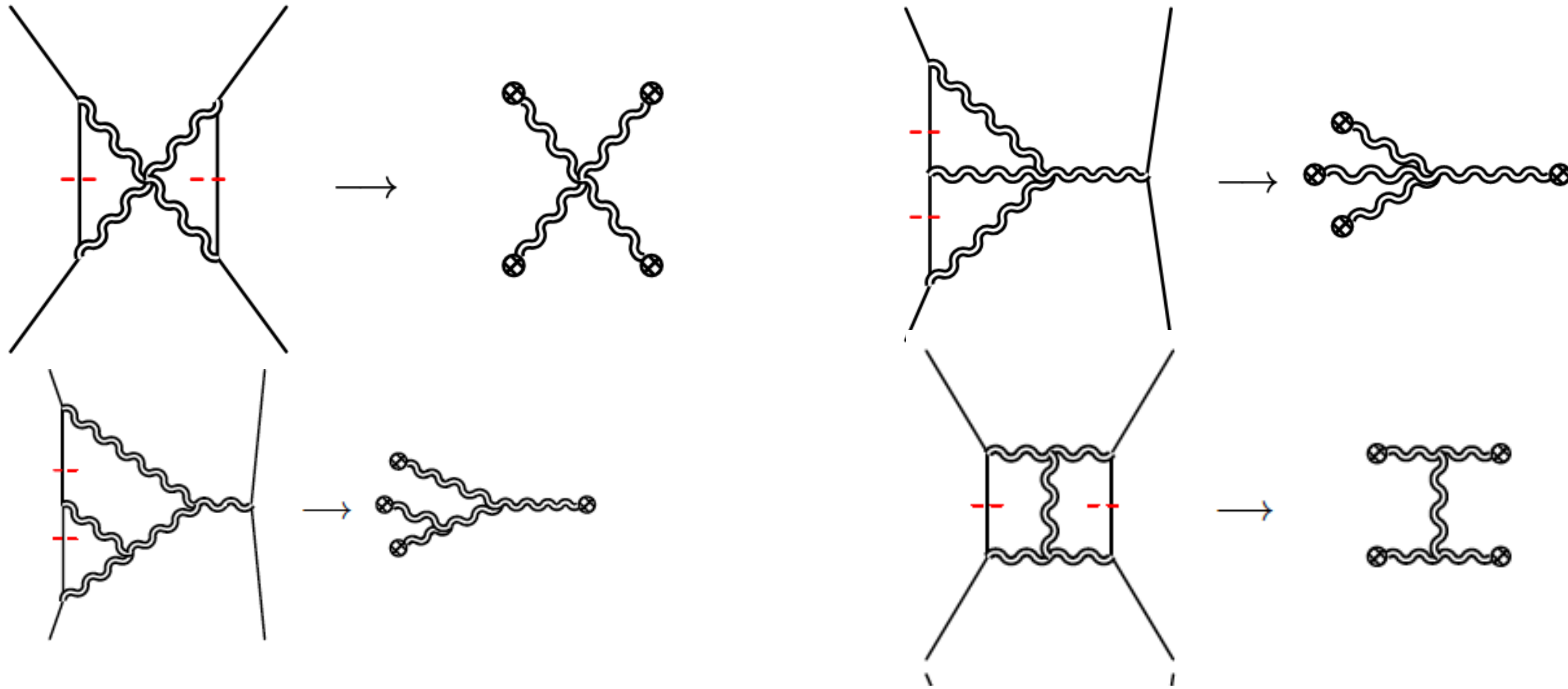
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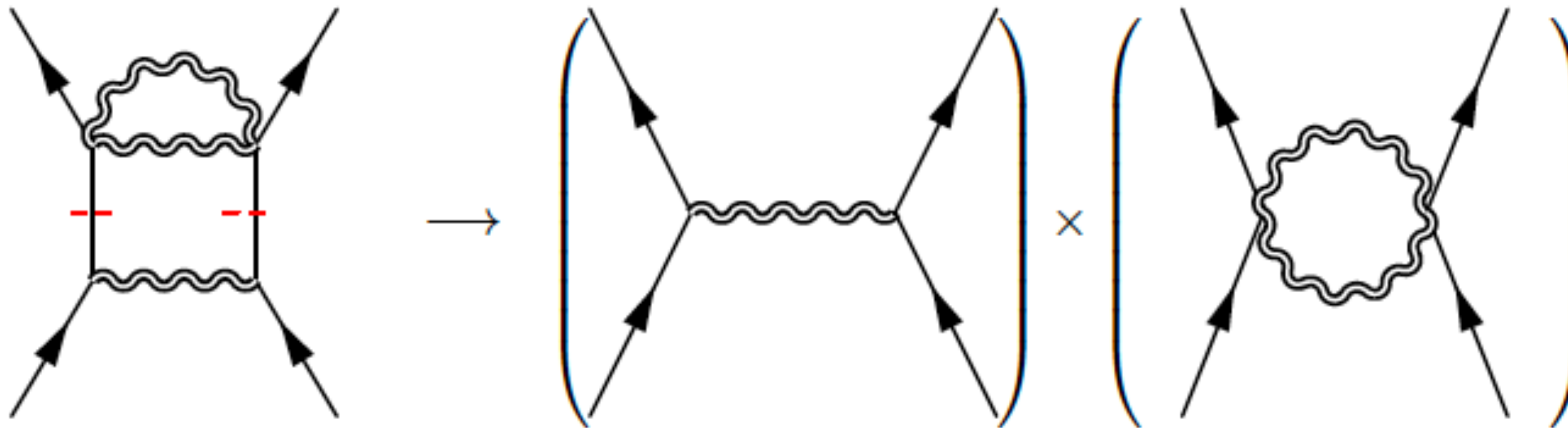
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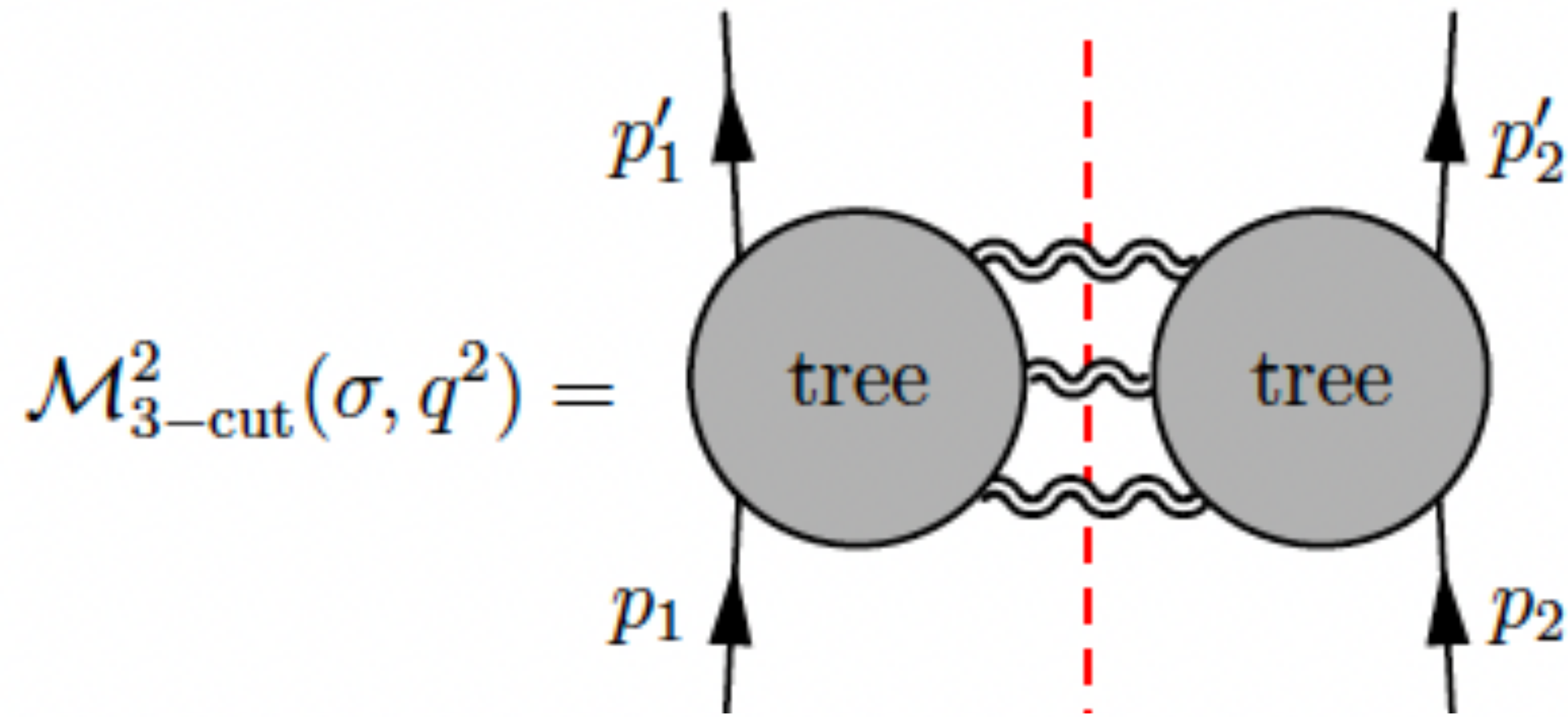
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# Example: Einstein gravity at two-loop order



$$\begin{aligned}
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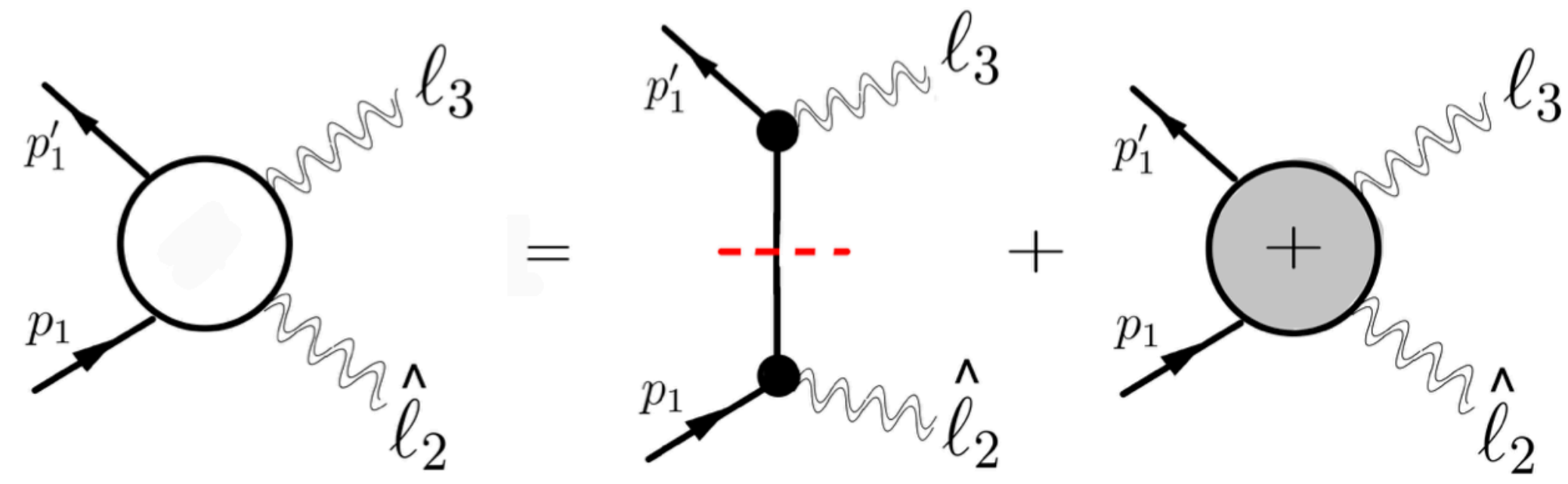
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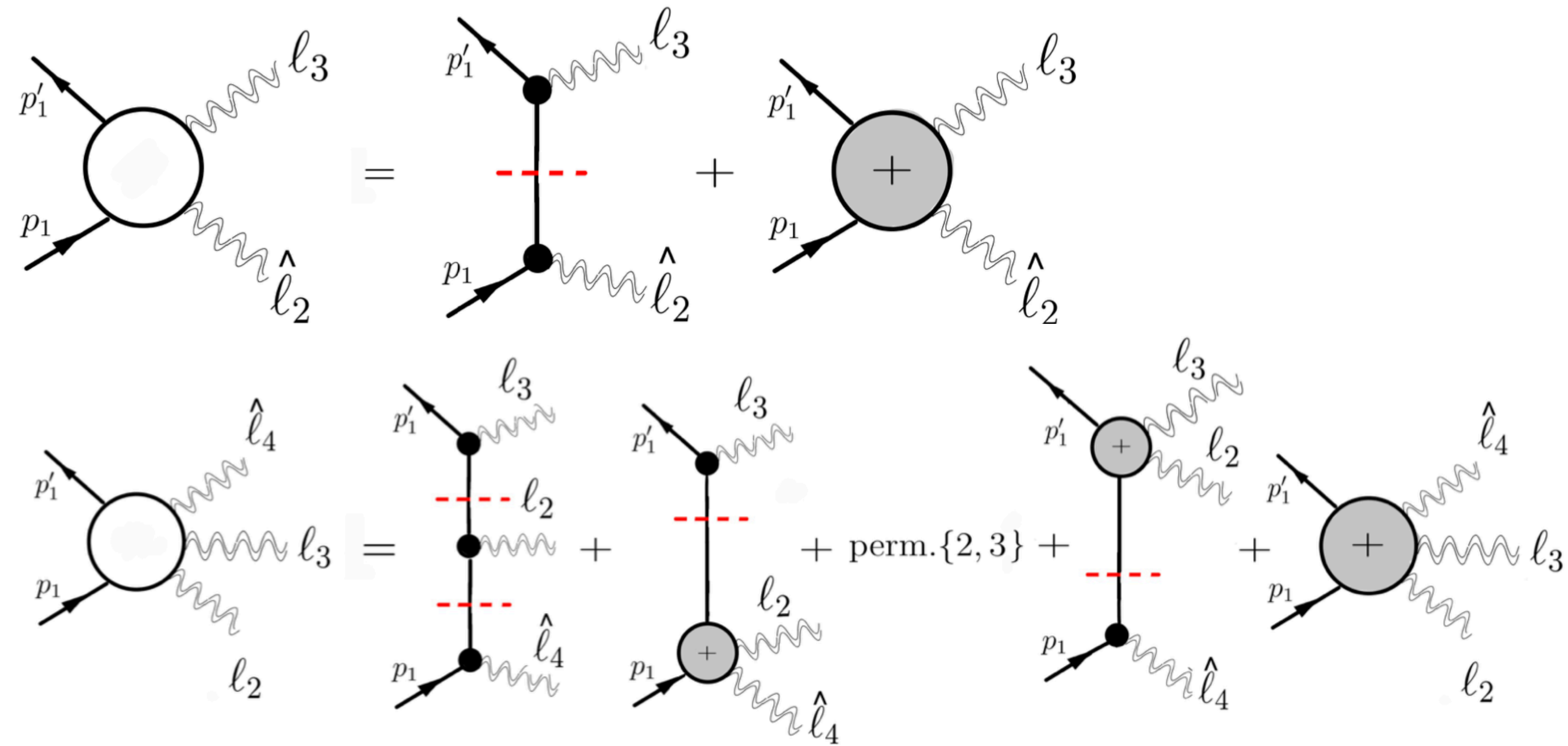


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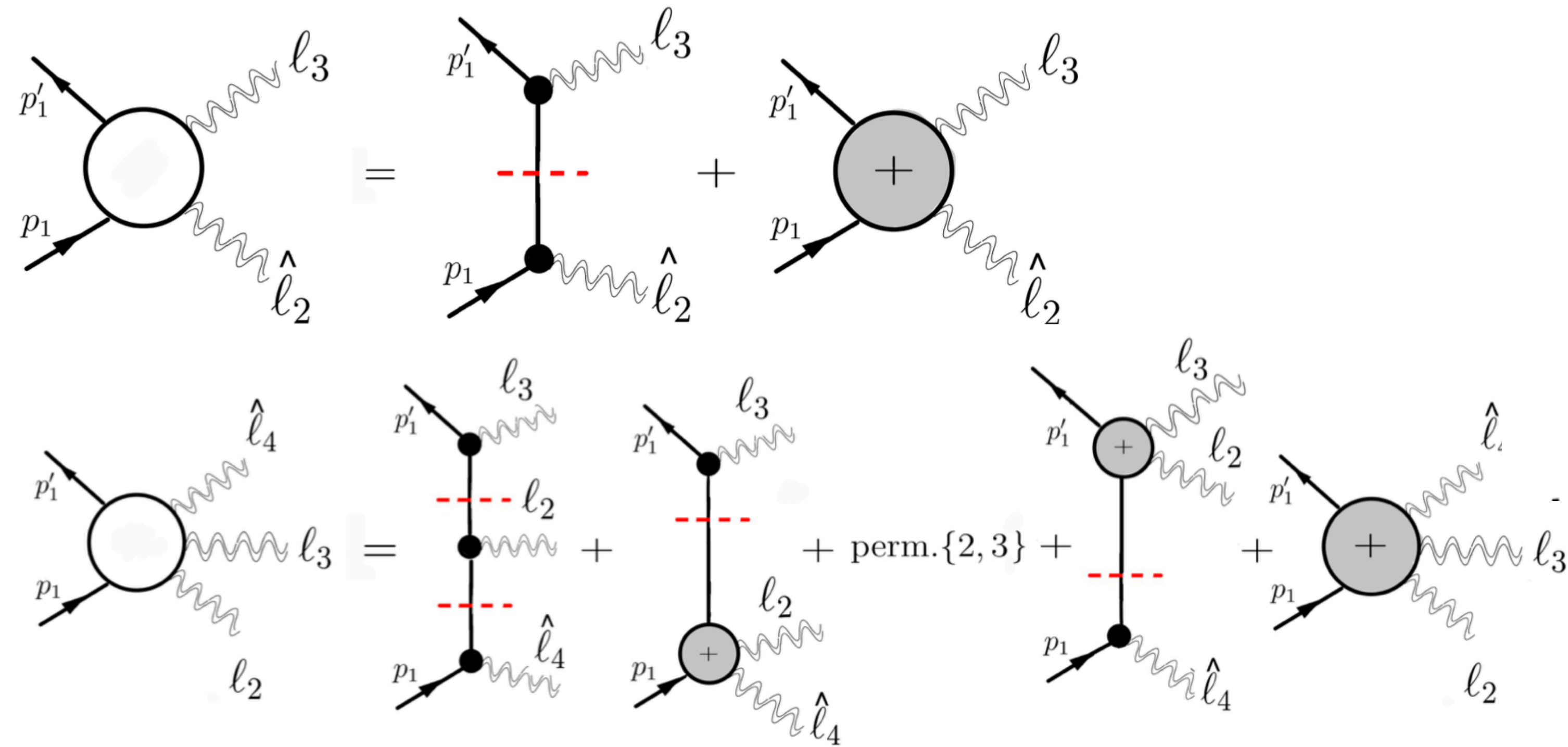
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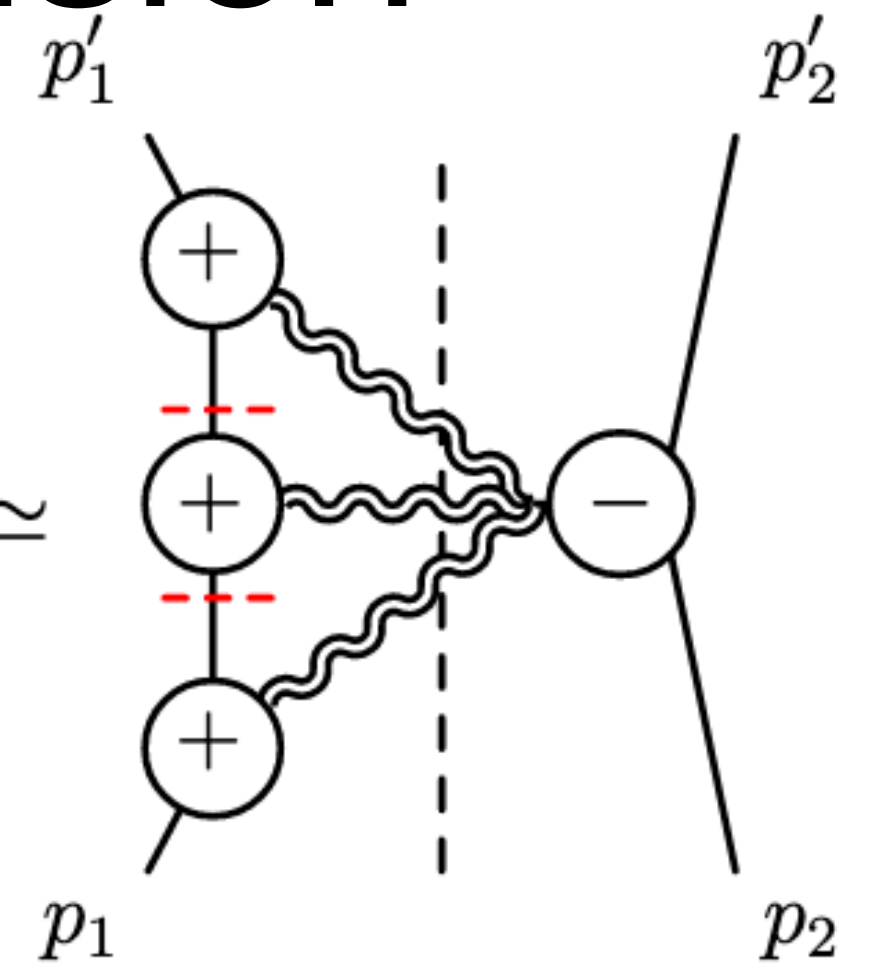
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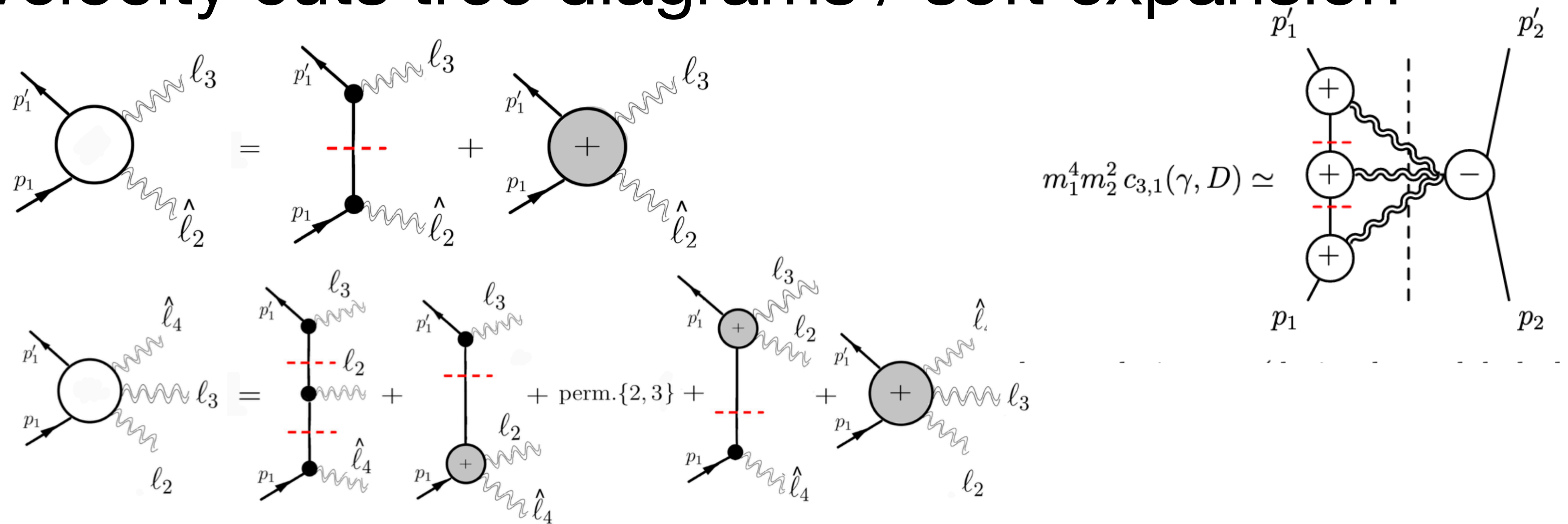


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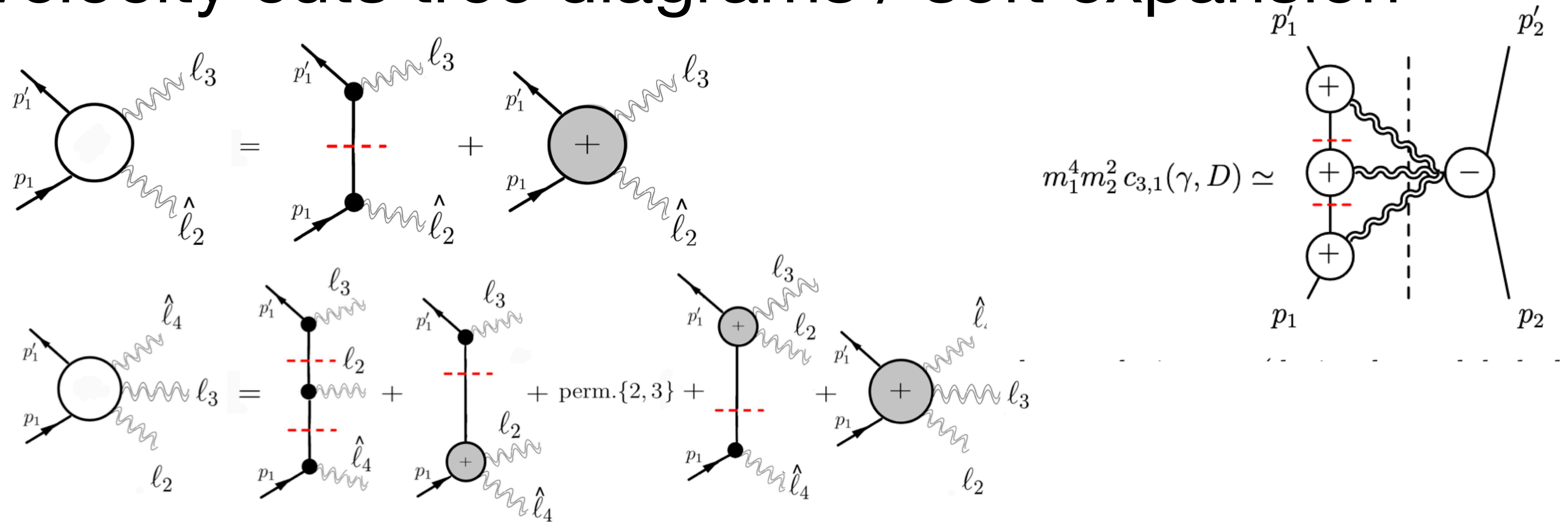


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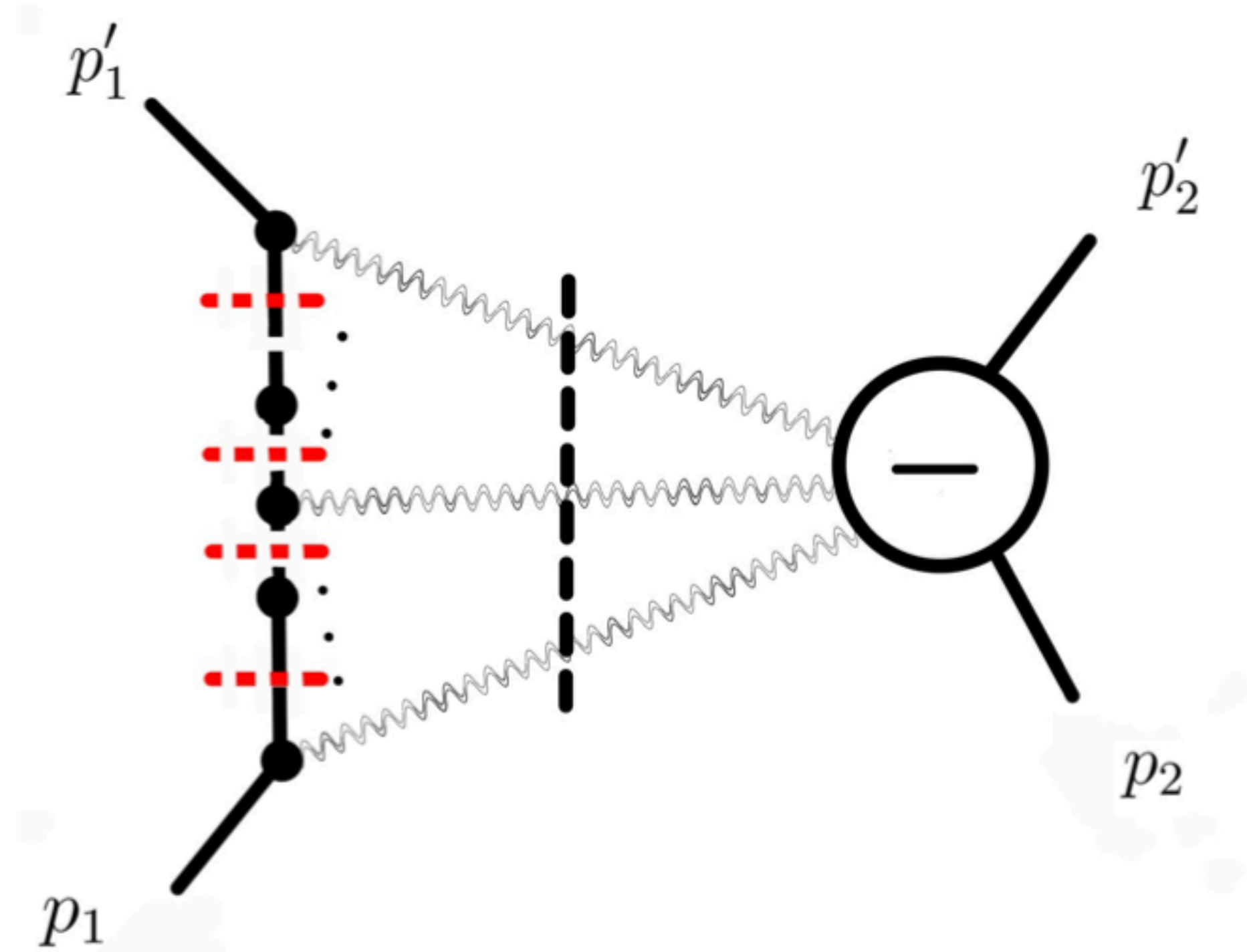
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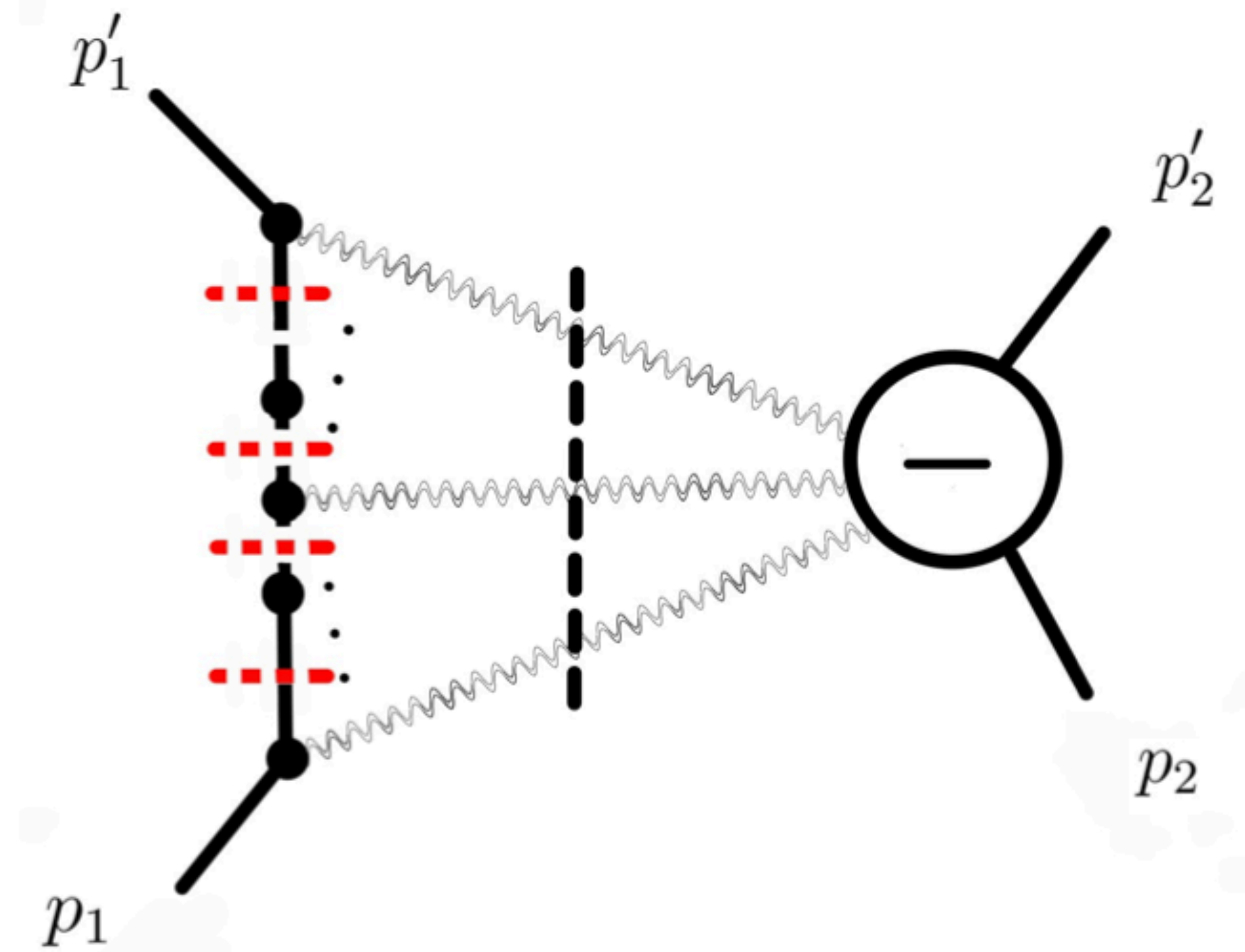
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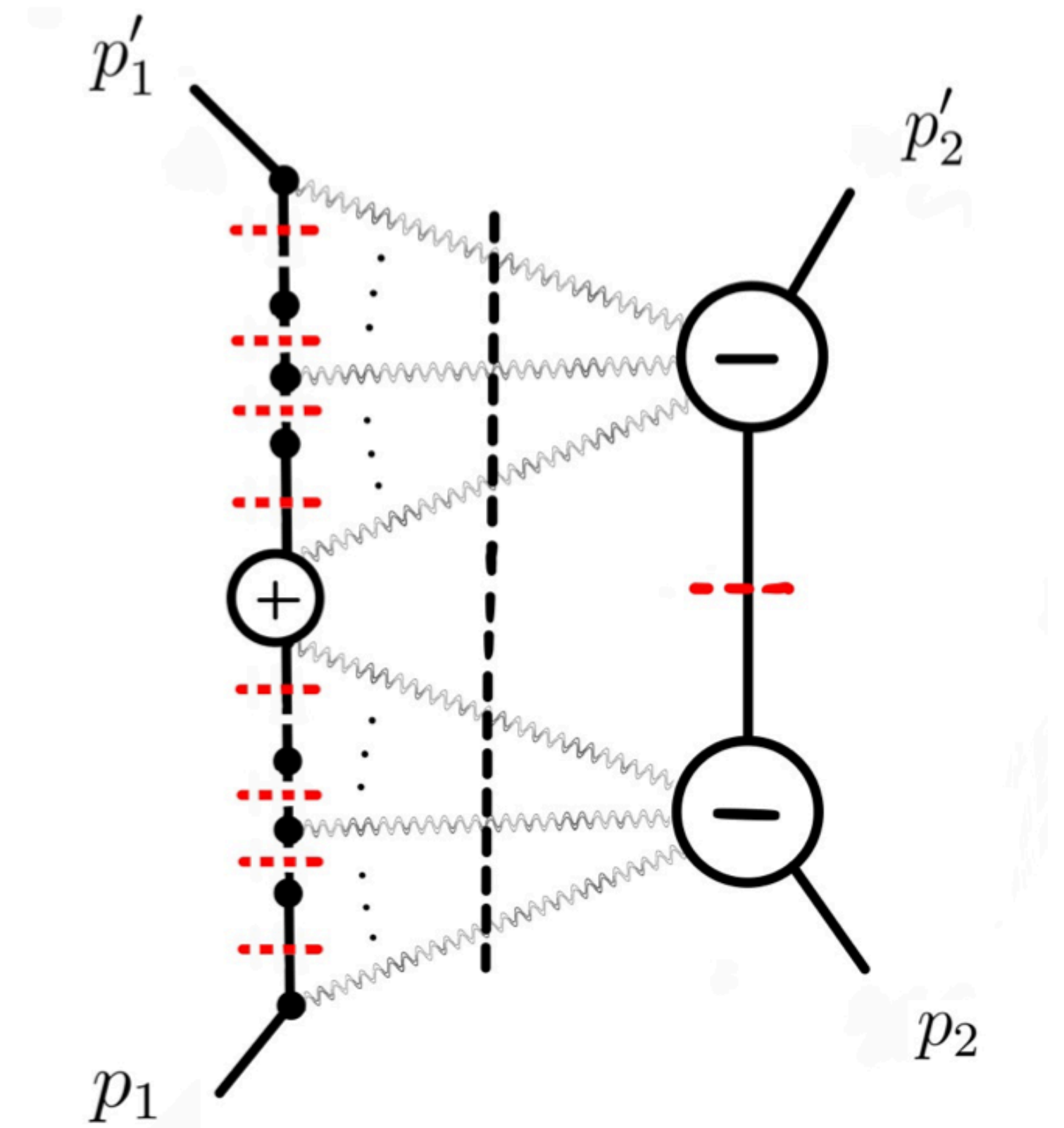




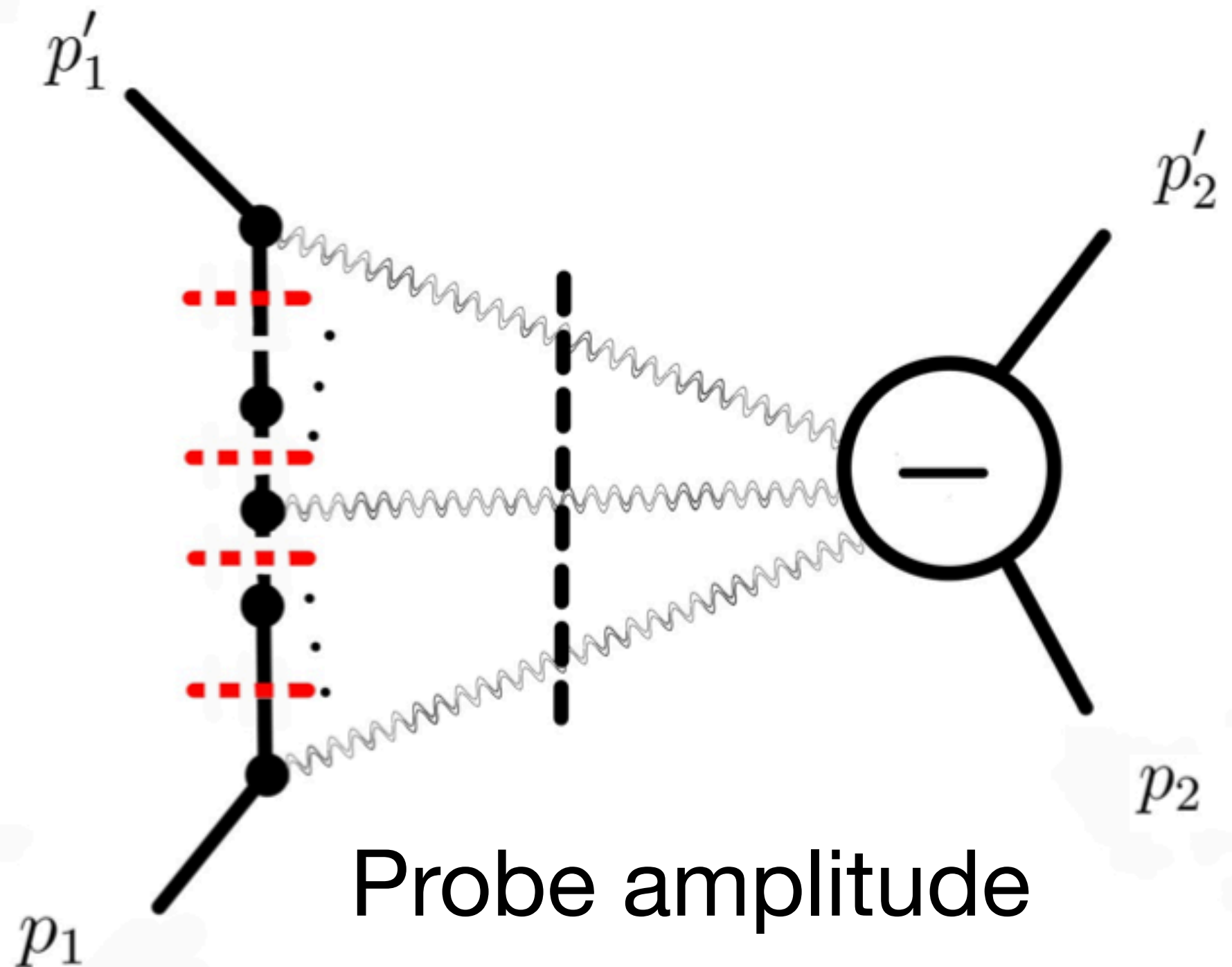
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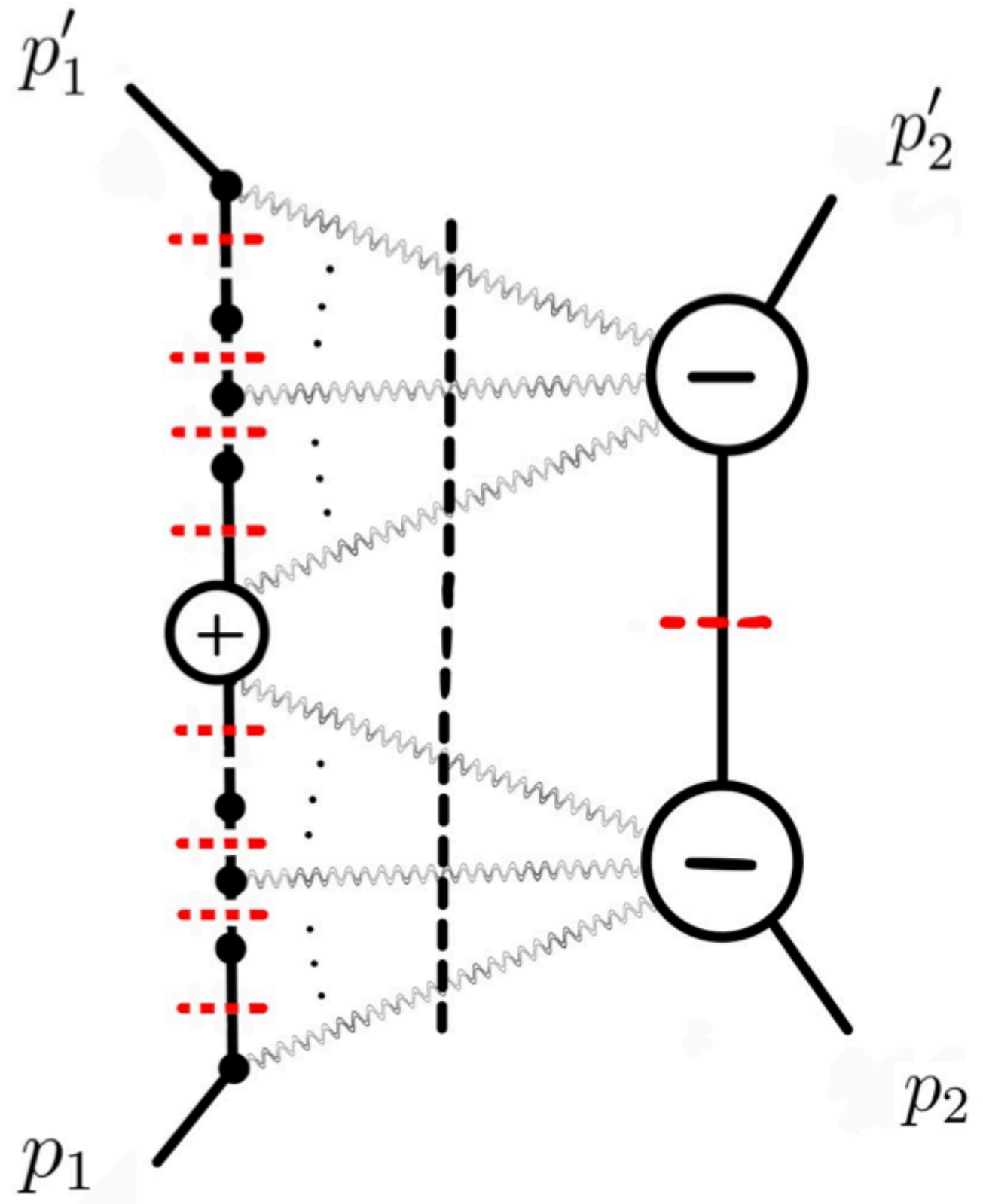


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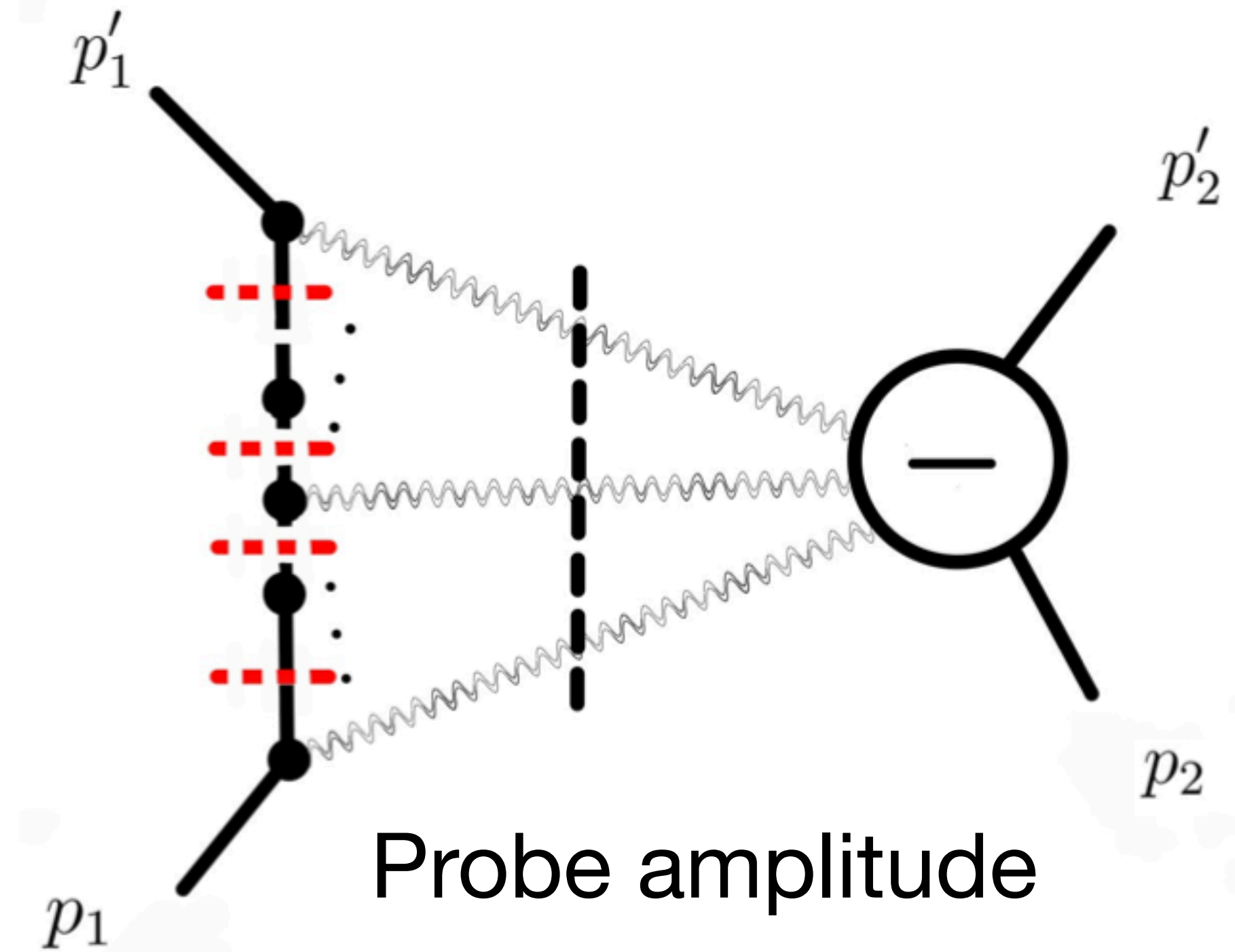


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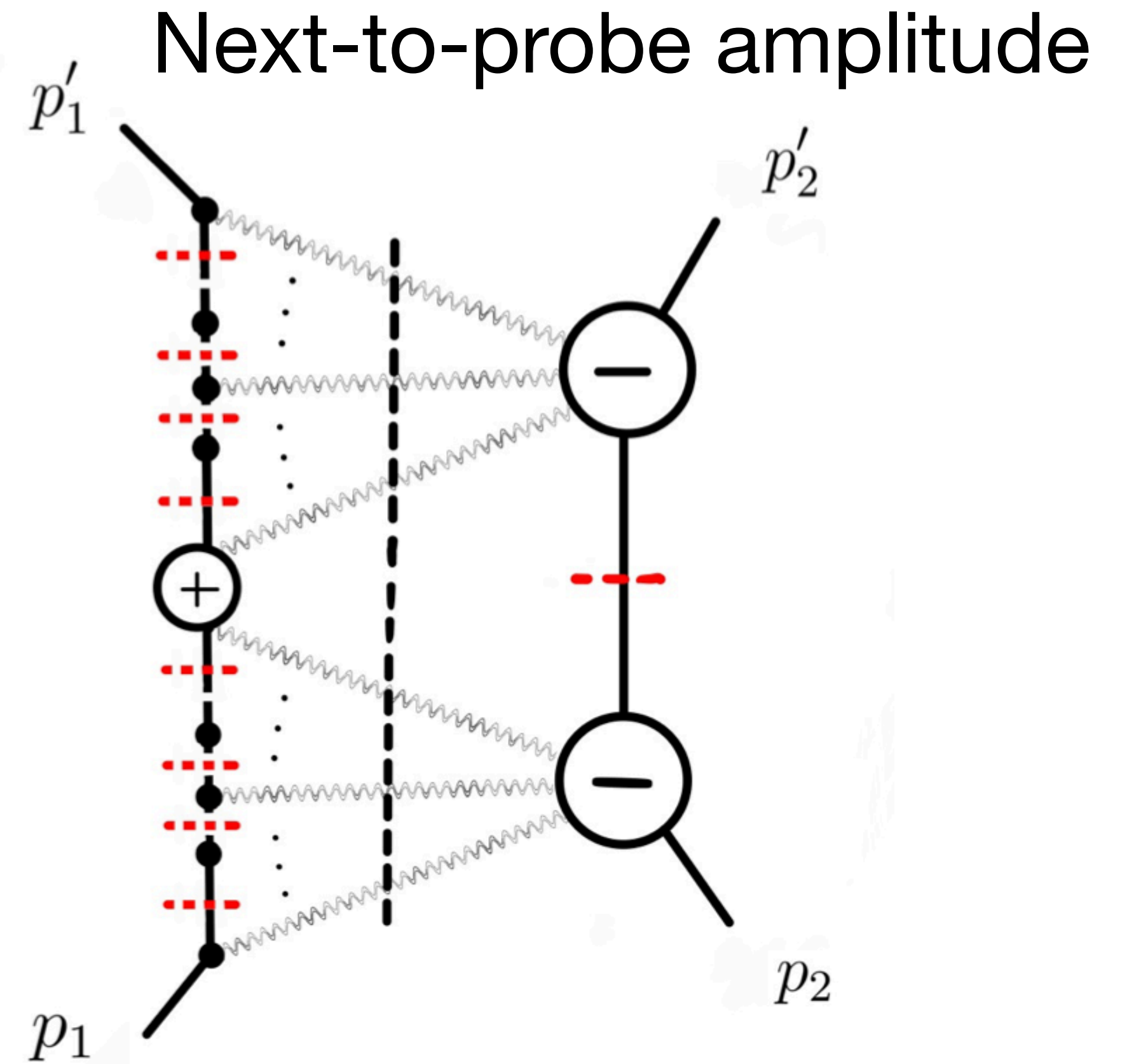
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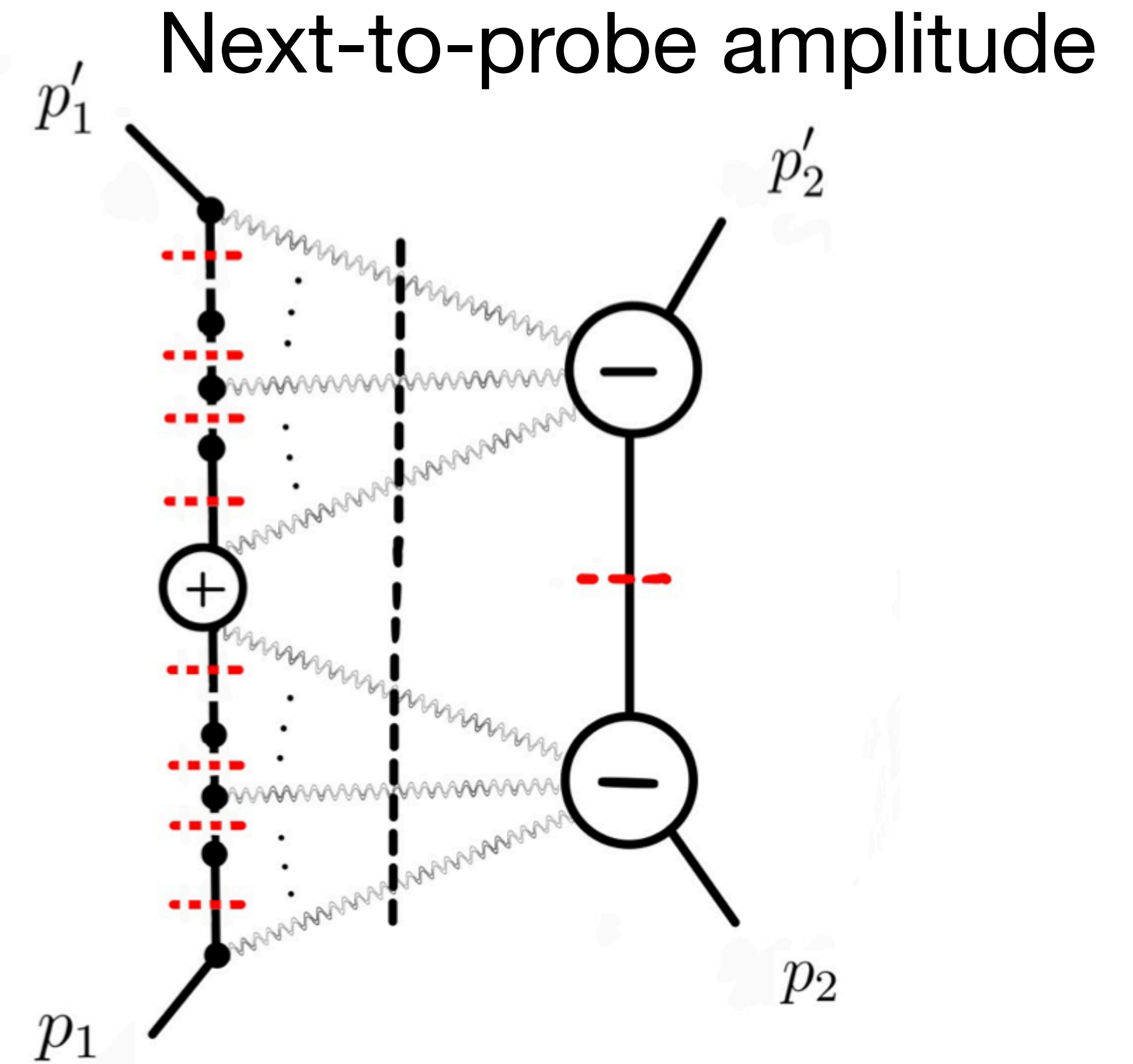
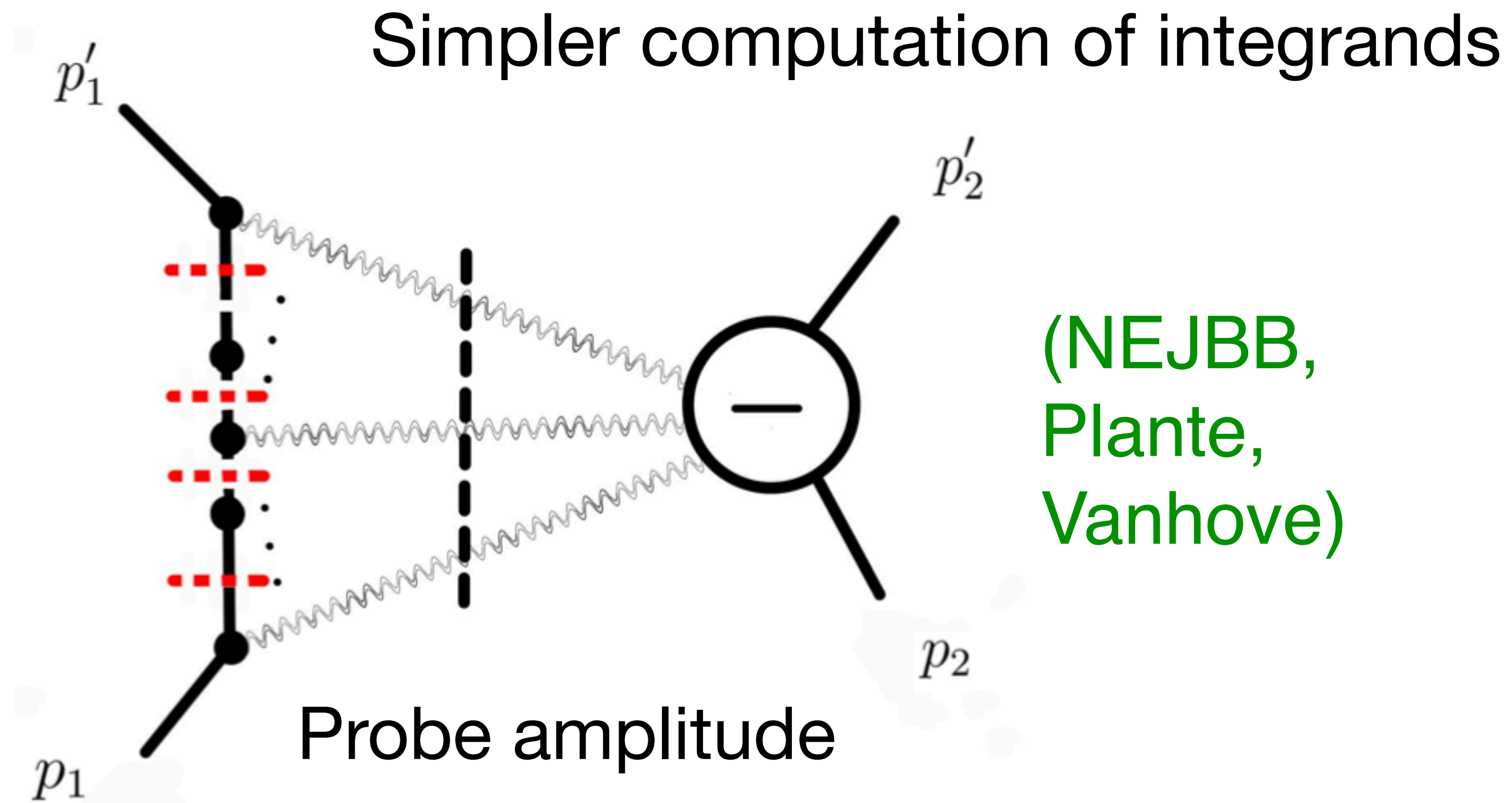
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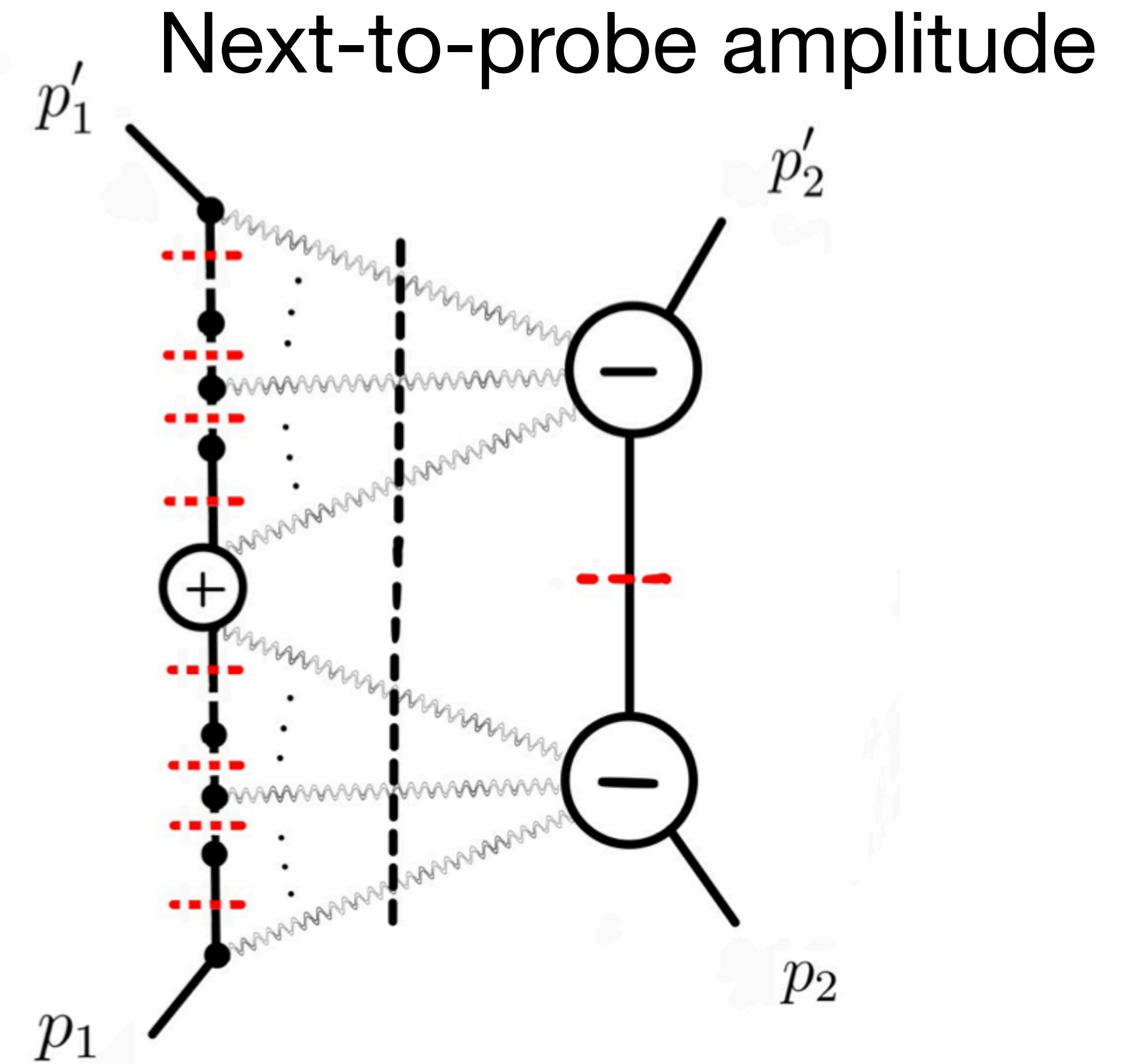
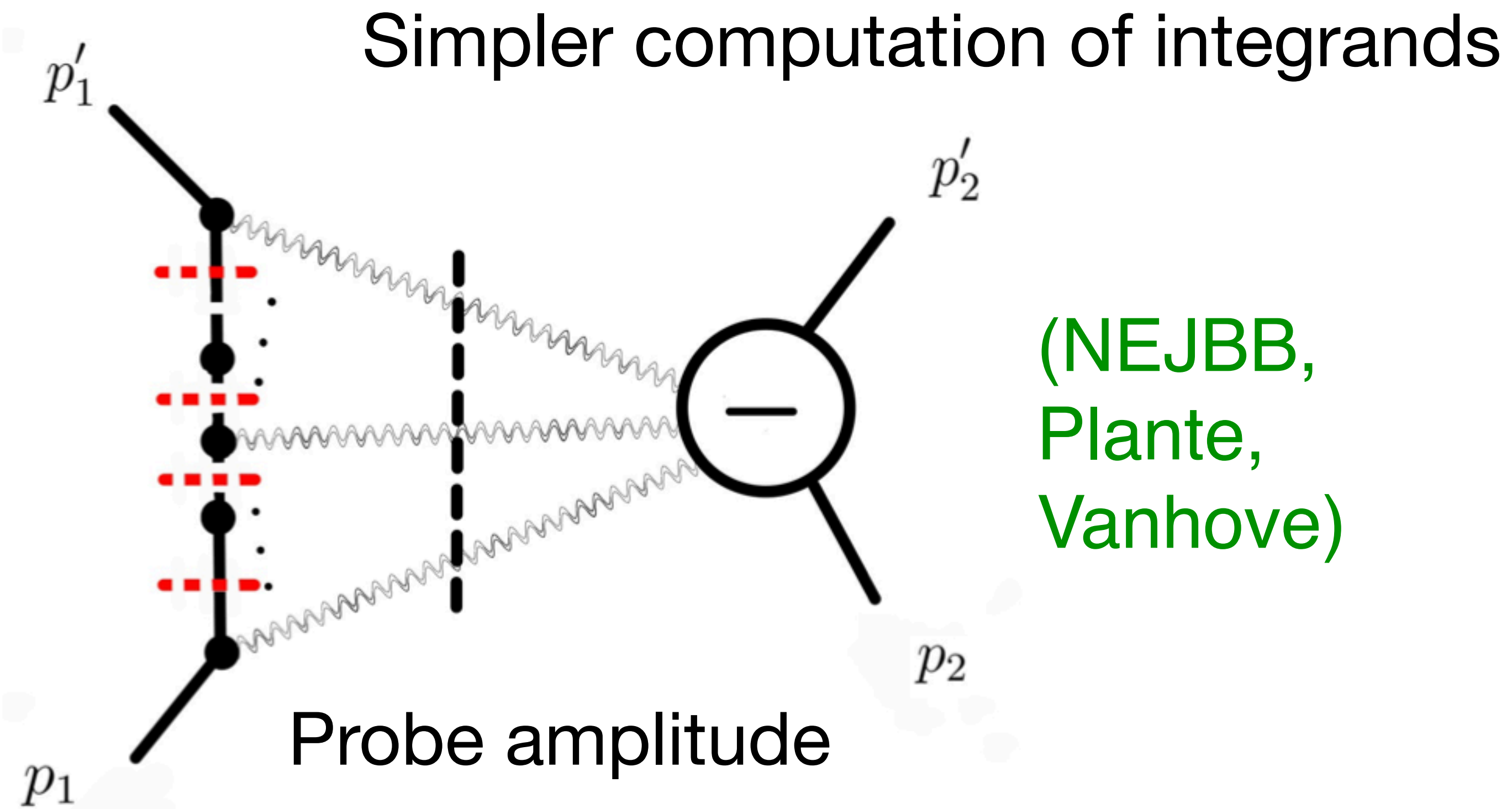


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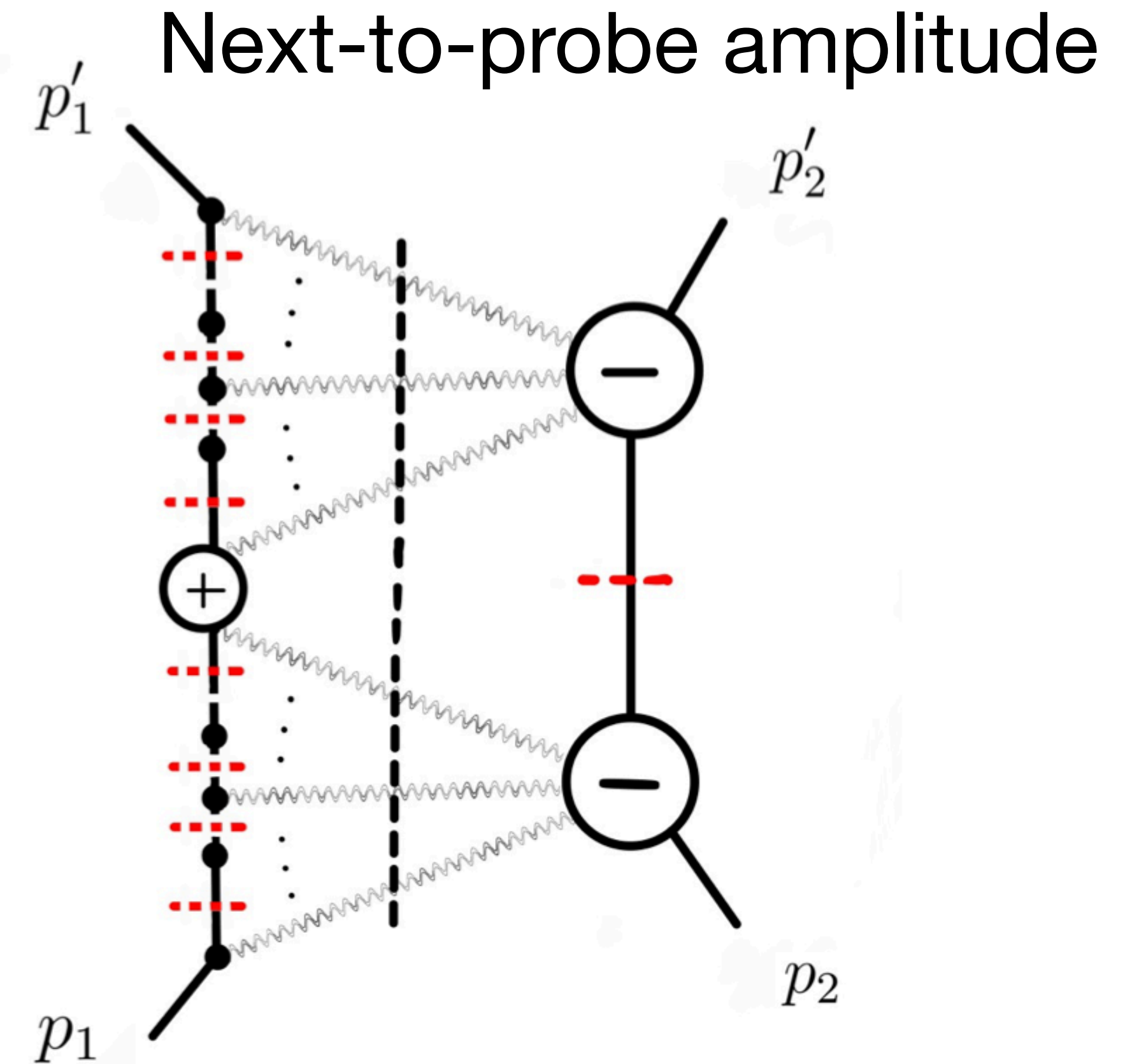
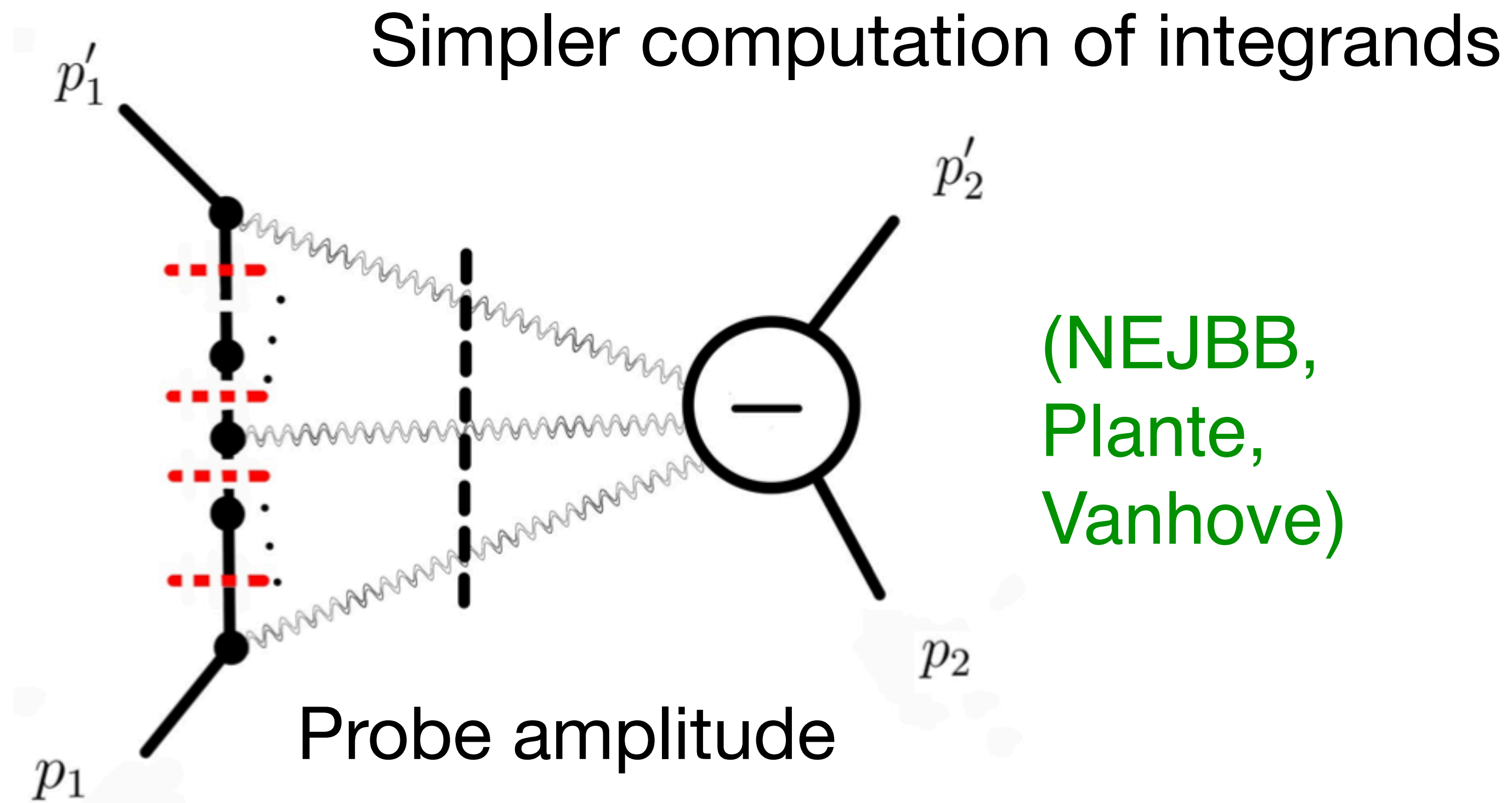


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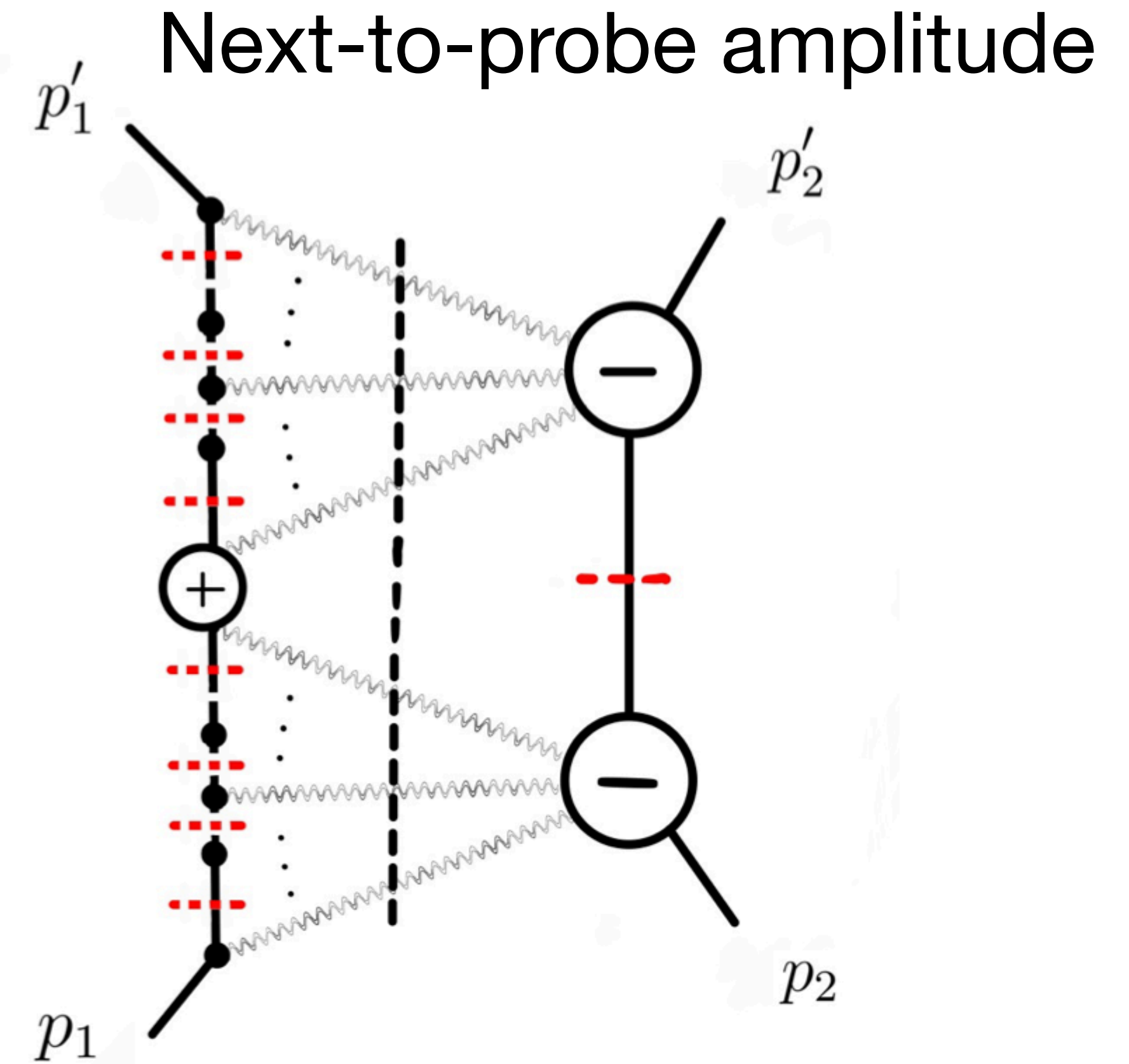
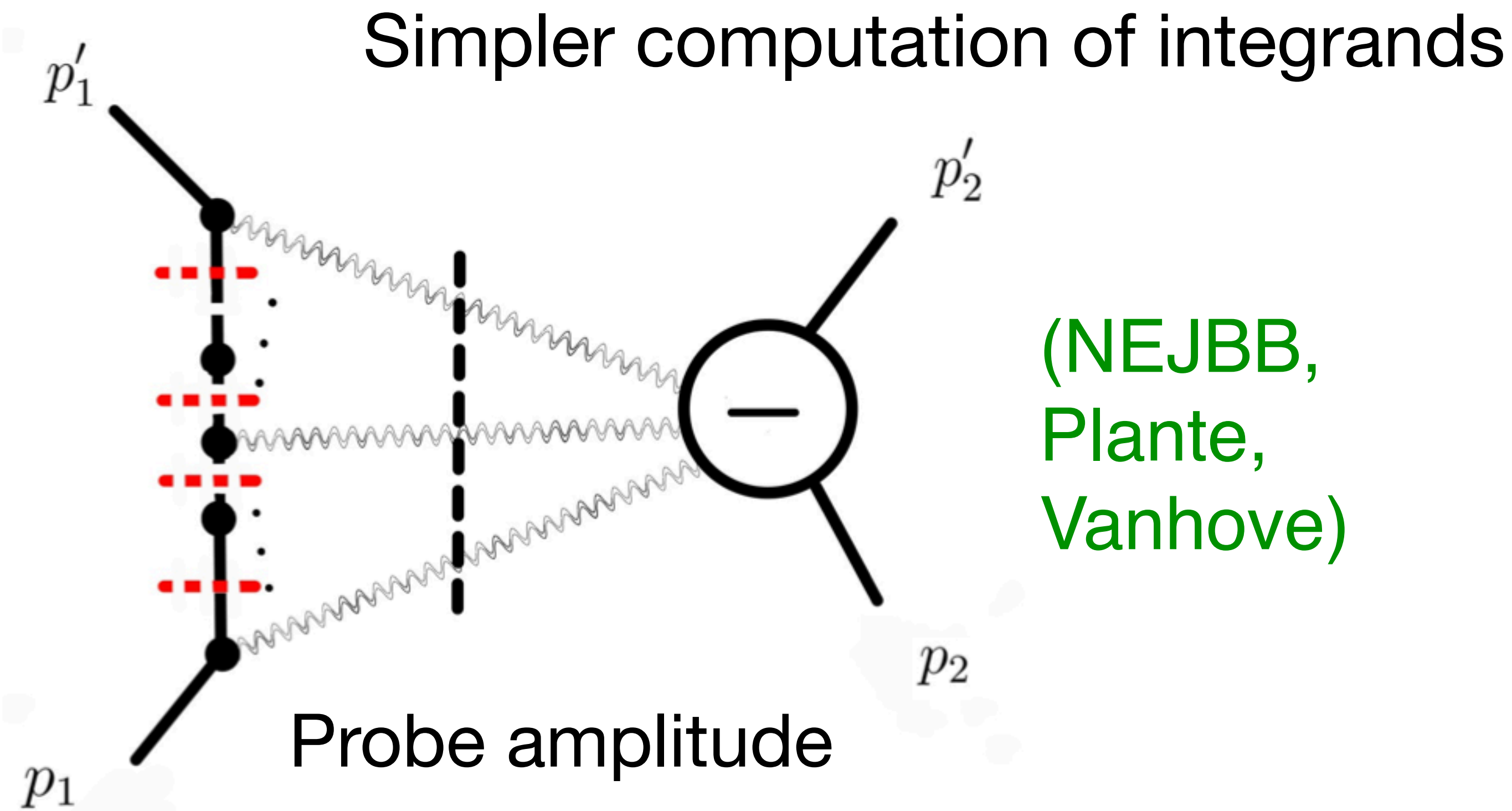
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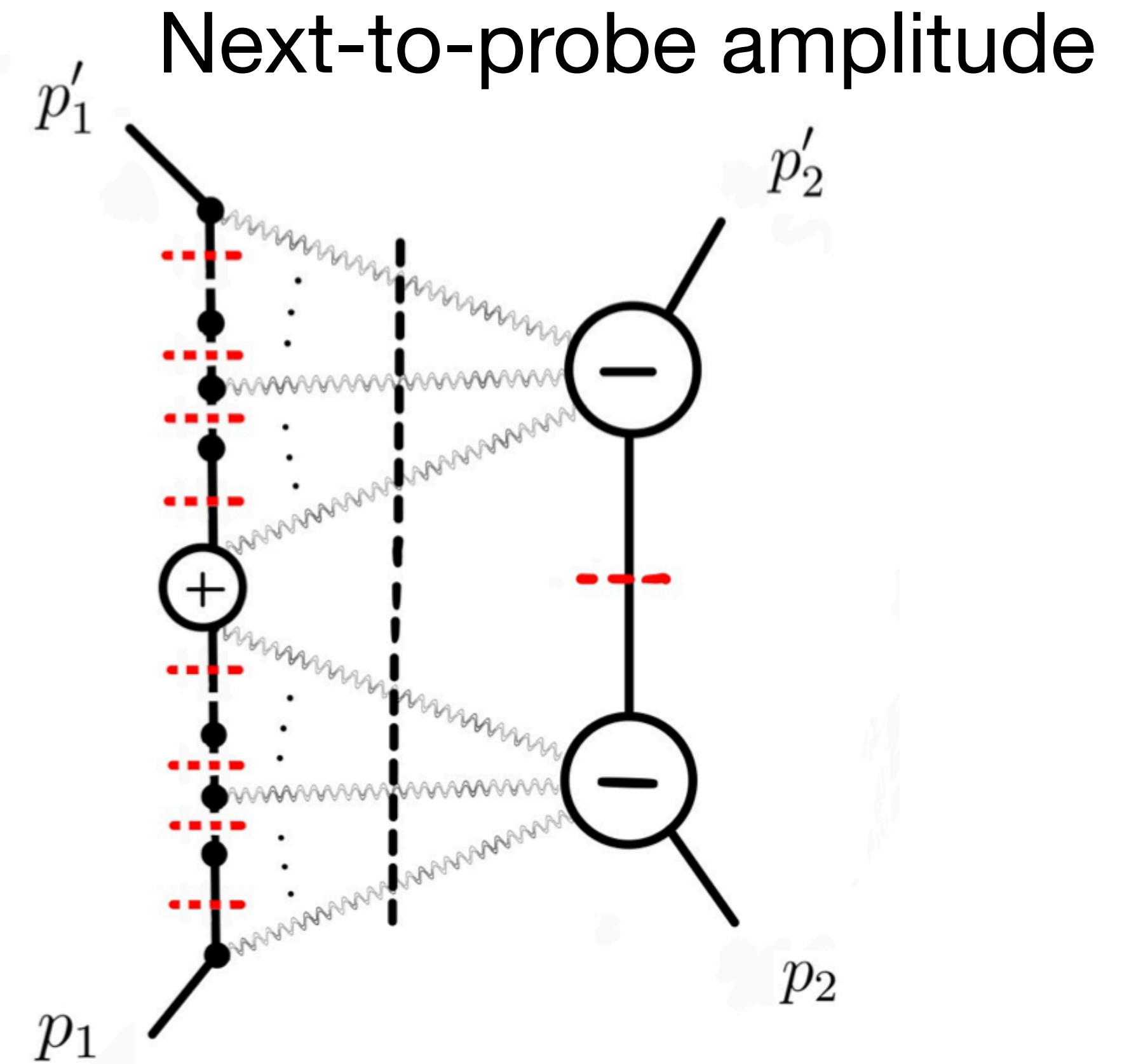
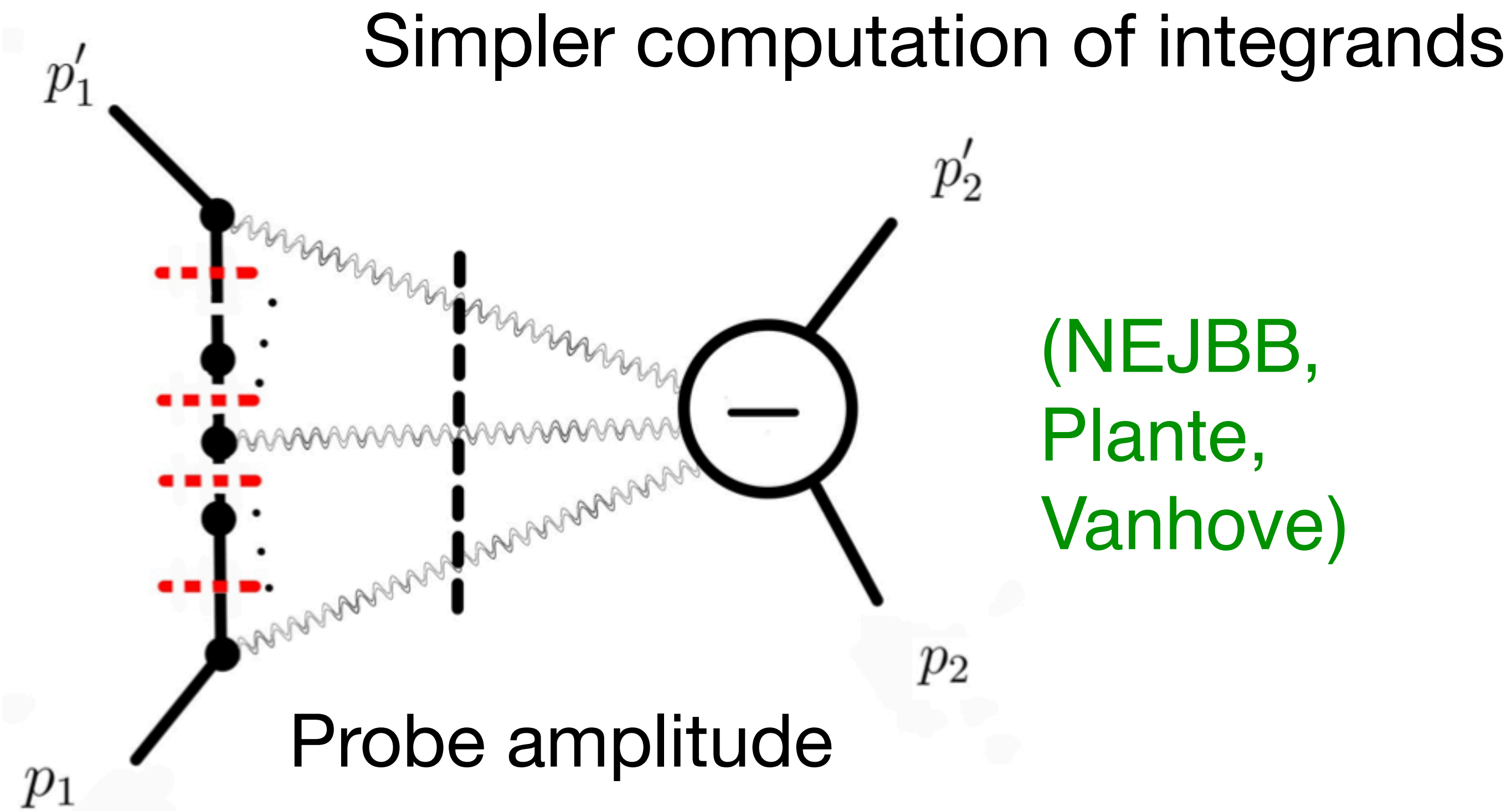
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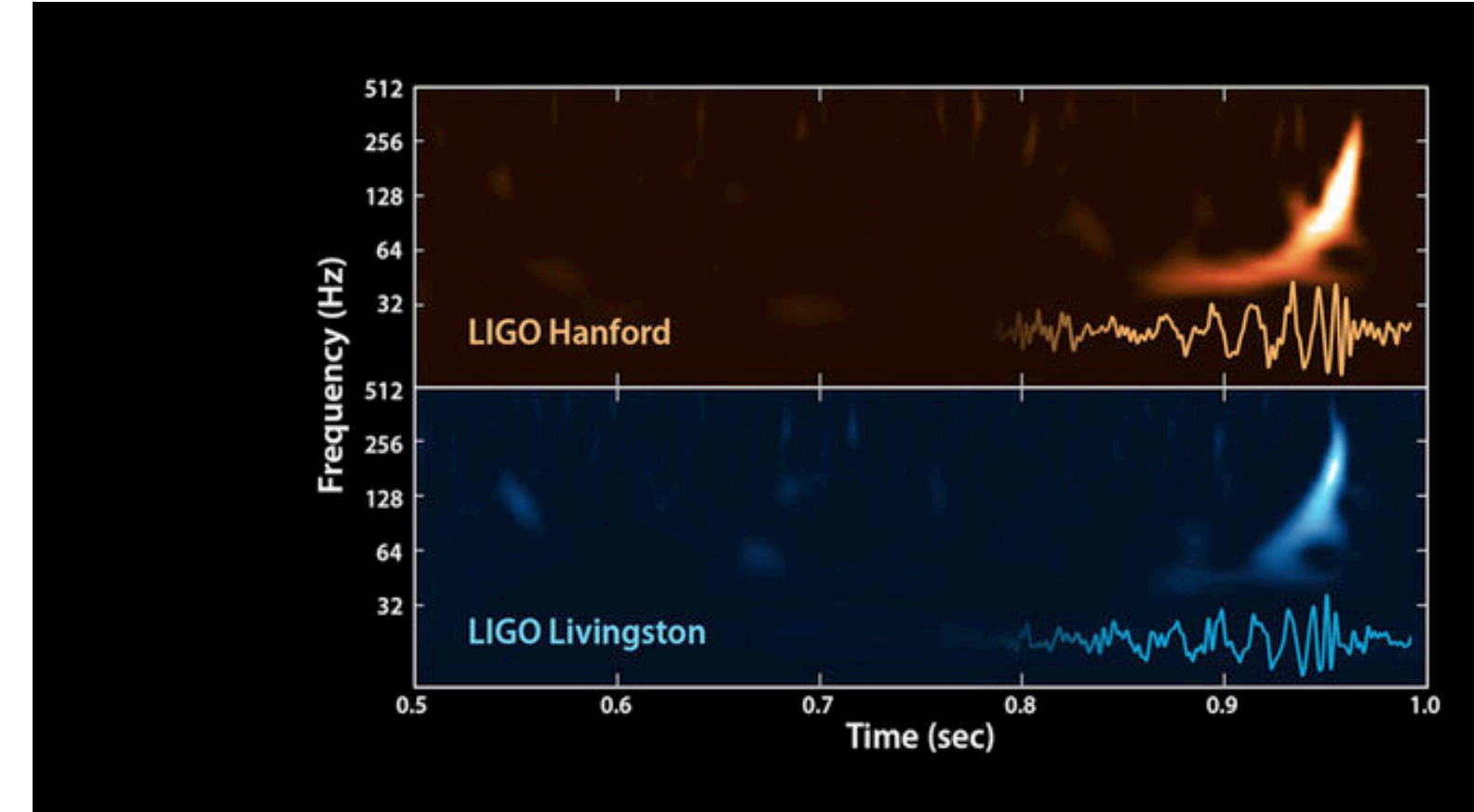
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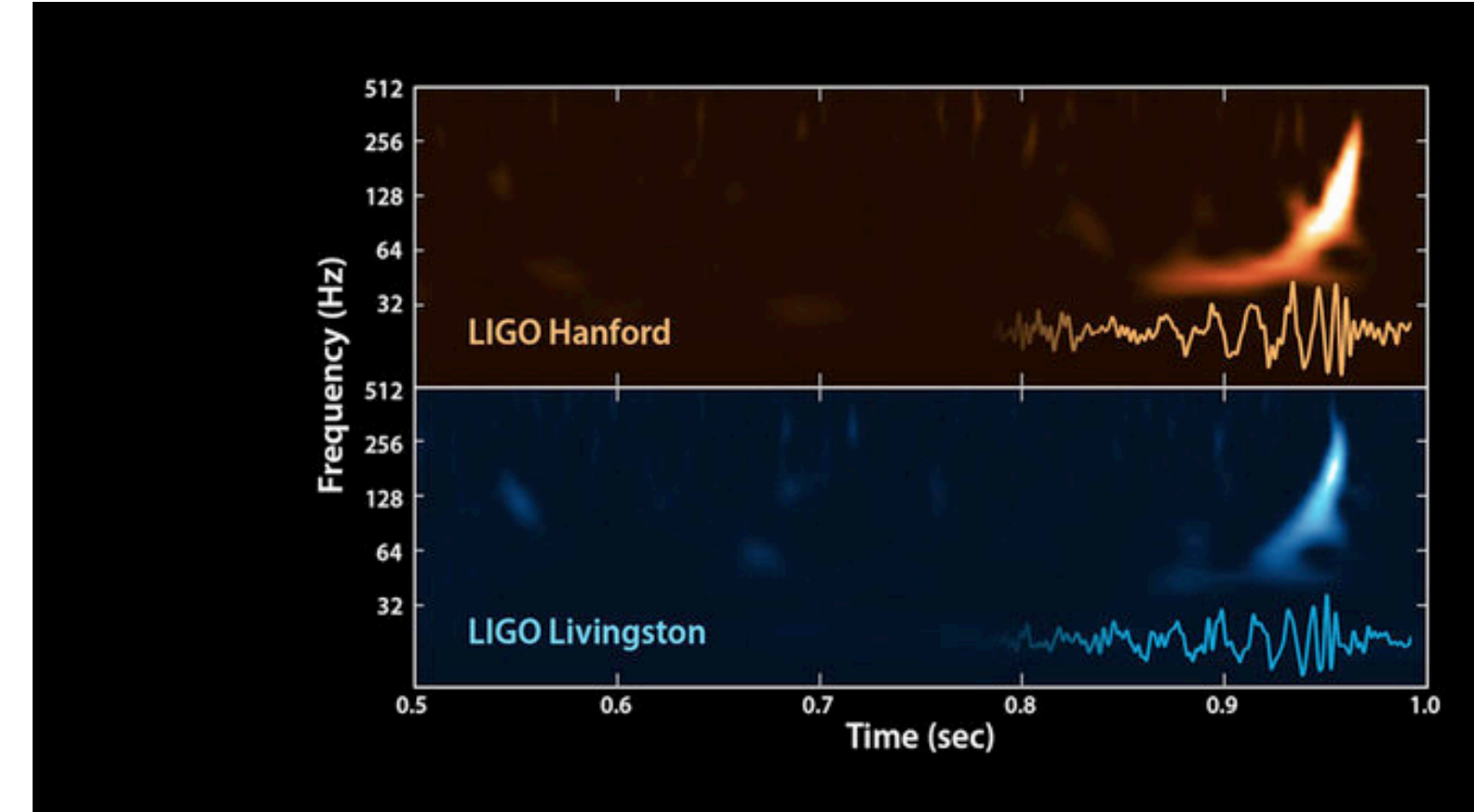
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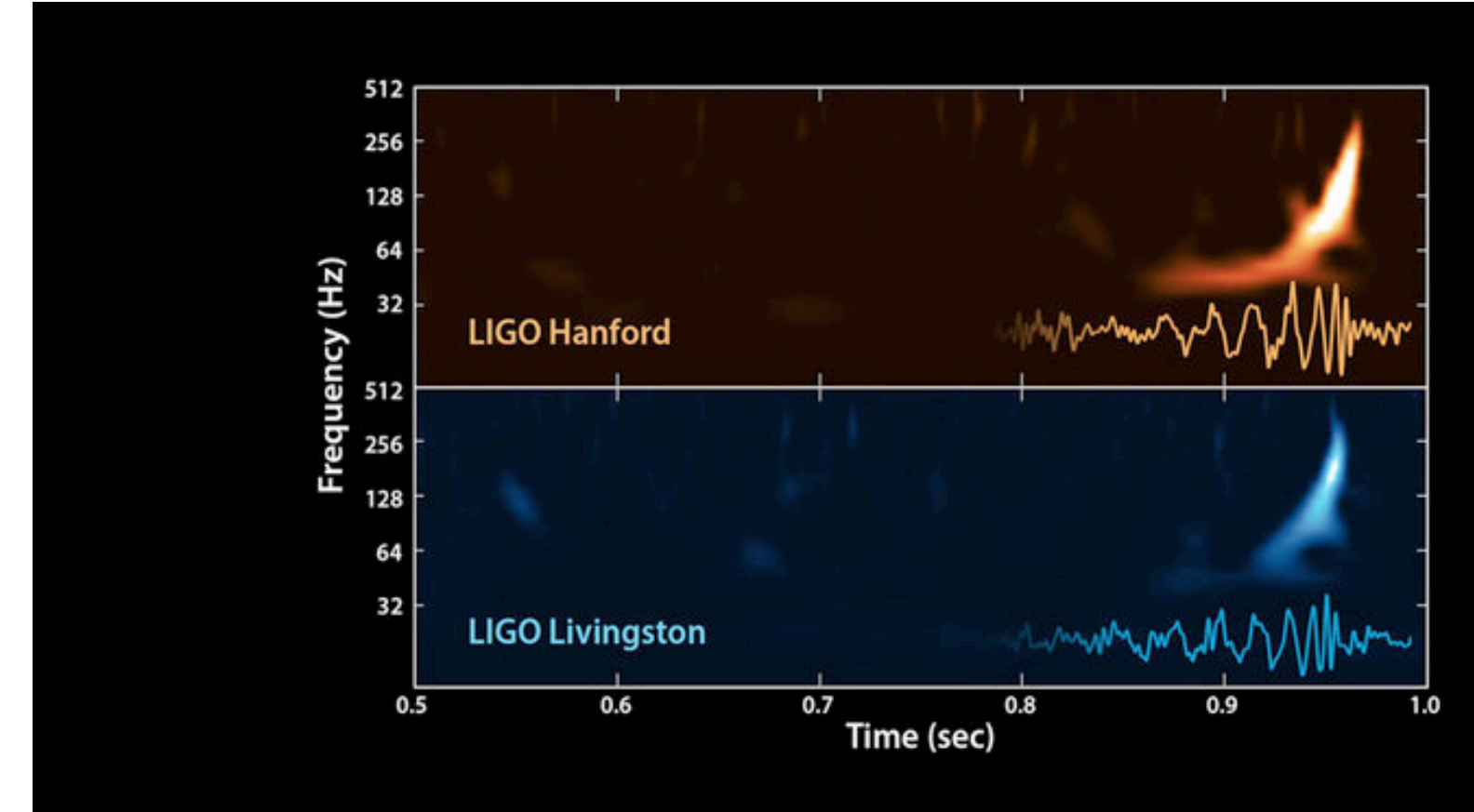
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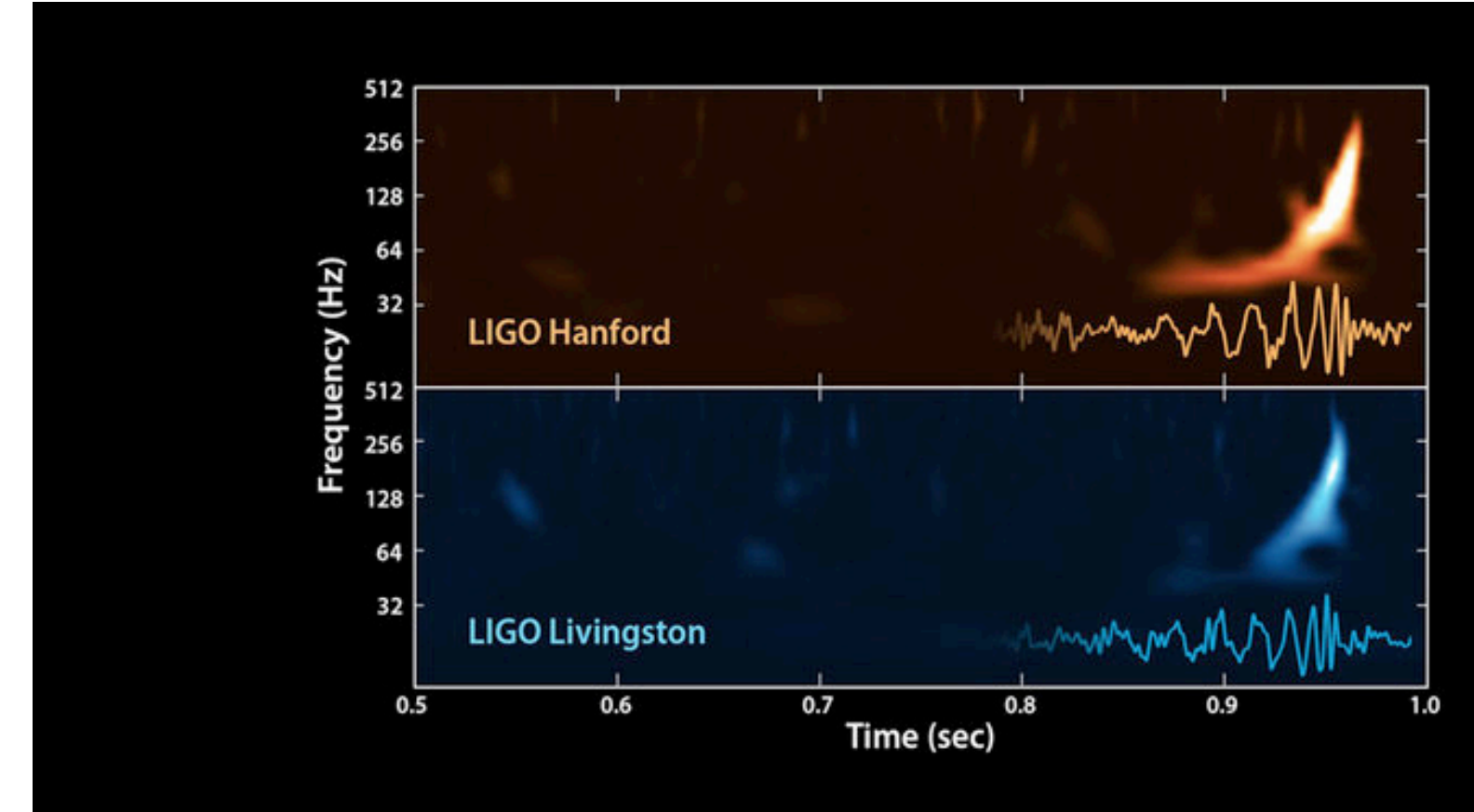
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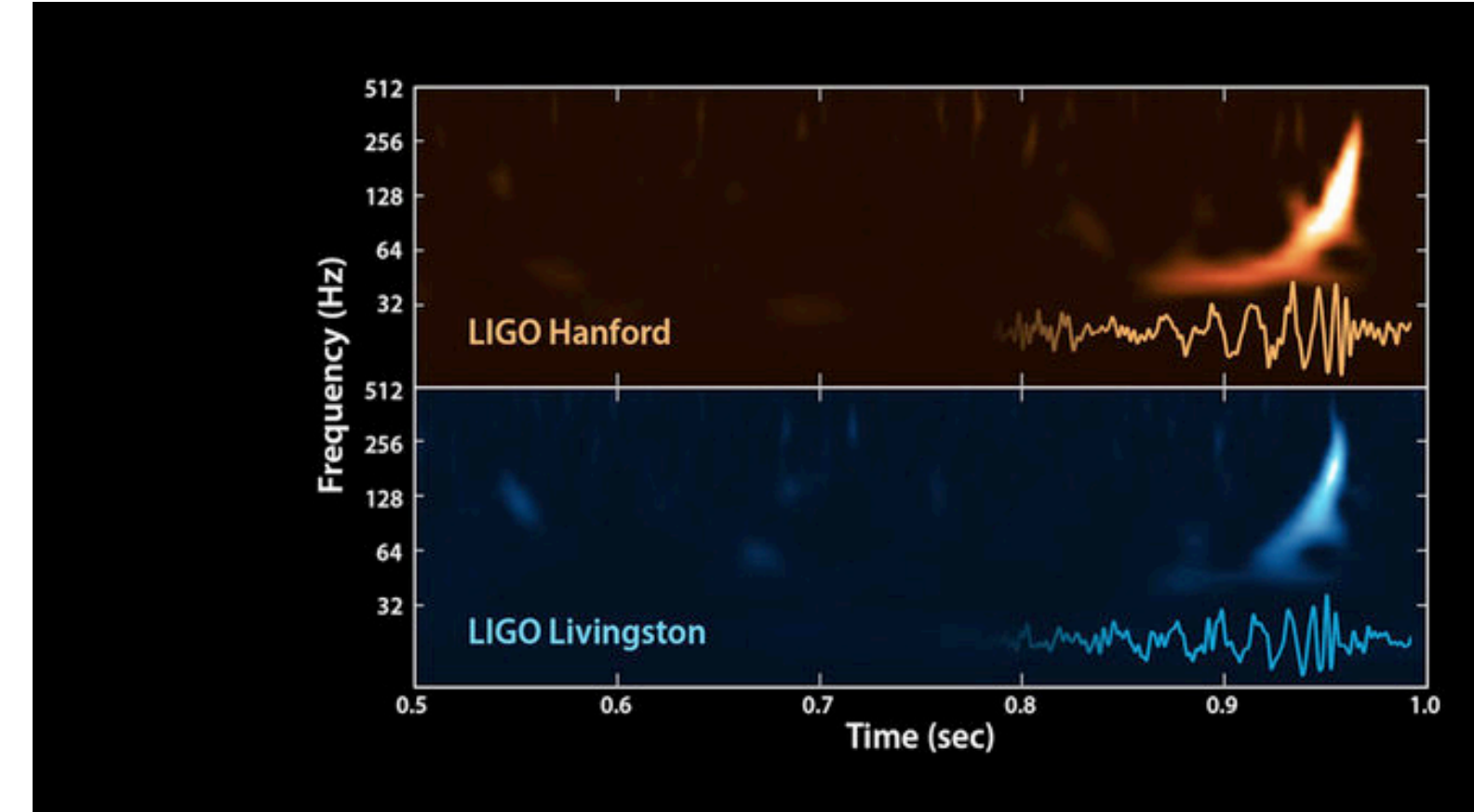
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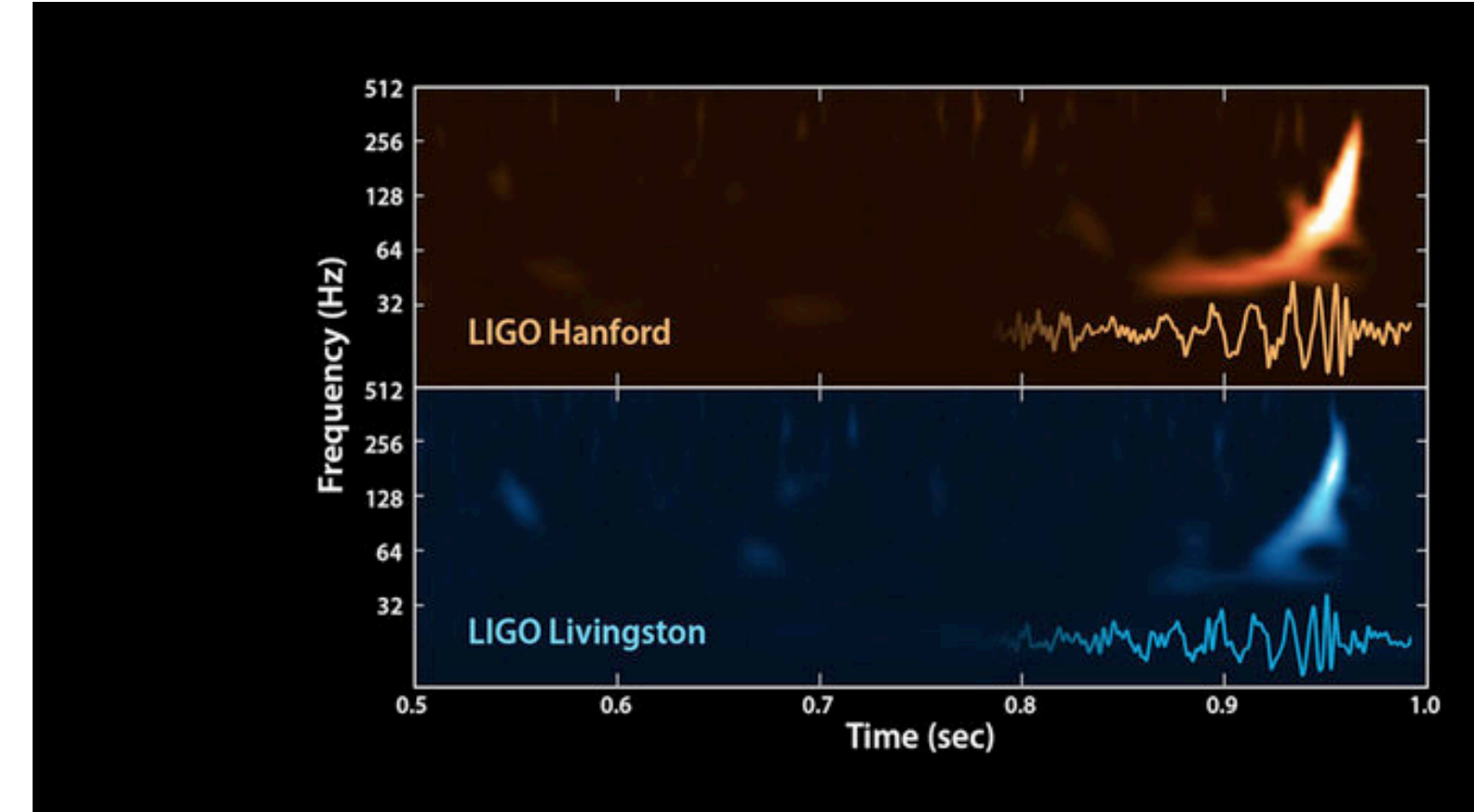
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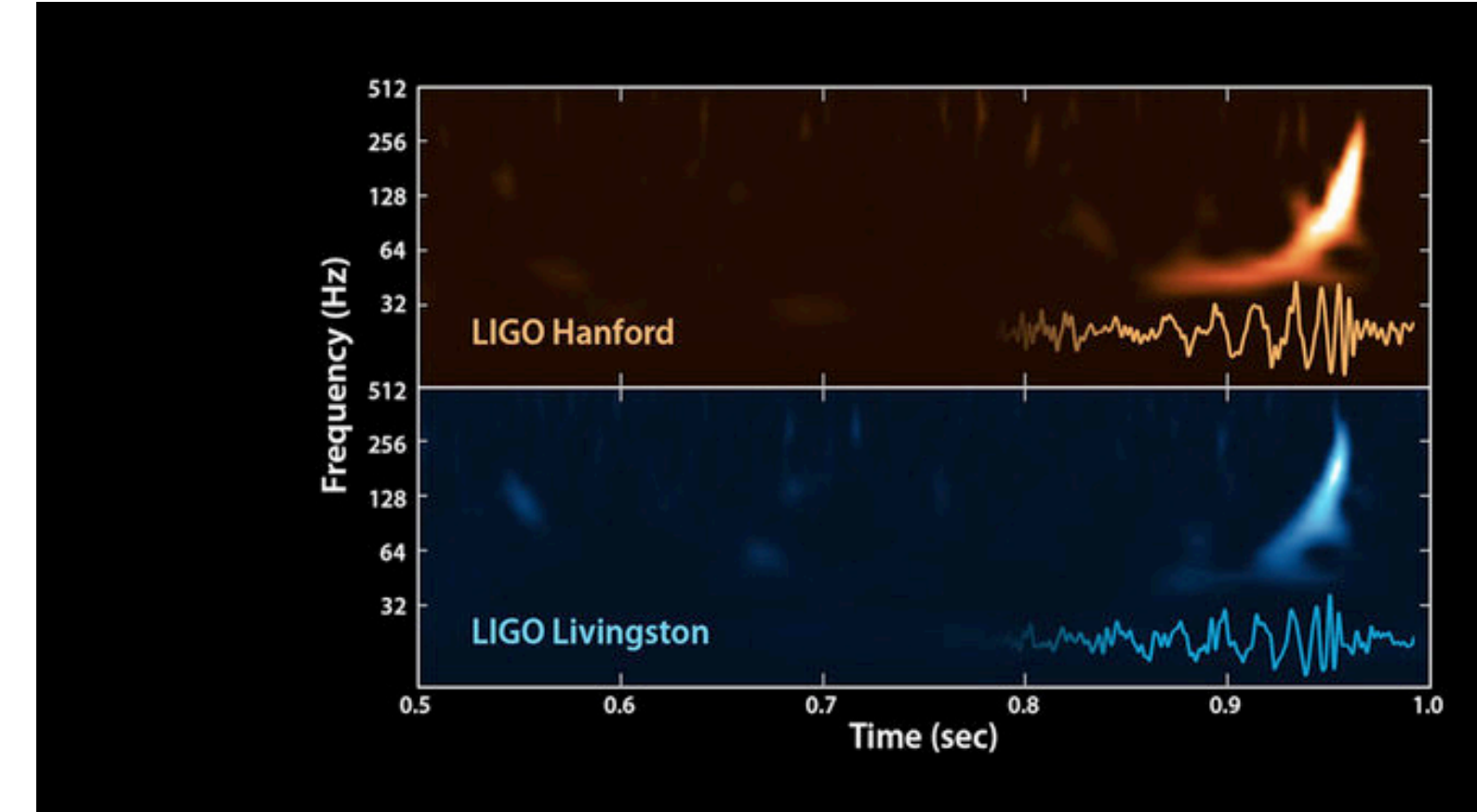
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  - We are still far from that... each new loop order brings new problems...
- **Current bottlenecks:** Solving the integral-system: identifying IBP-relations, solving the DE equations/integrals.
  - Better understanding of what the **minimal** computation is could lead to much simplified analysis.





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- Amplitude tools very useful for computations
  - Double-copy/KLT
  - Unitarity
  - Spinor-helicity
  - CHY formalism
  - Low energy limits of string theory
- Identifying IBP-relations solving DE equations/integral
- Recycling tools from QCD computations
- Numerical programs for amplitude computation

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