

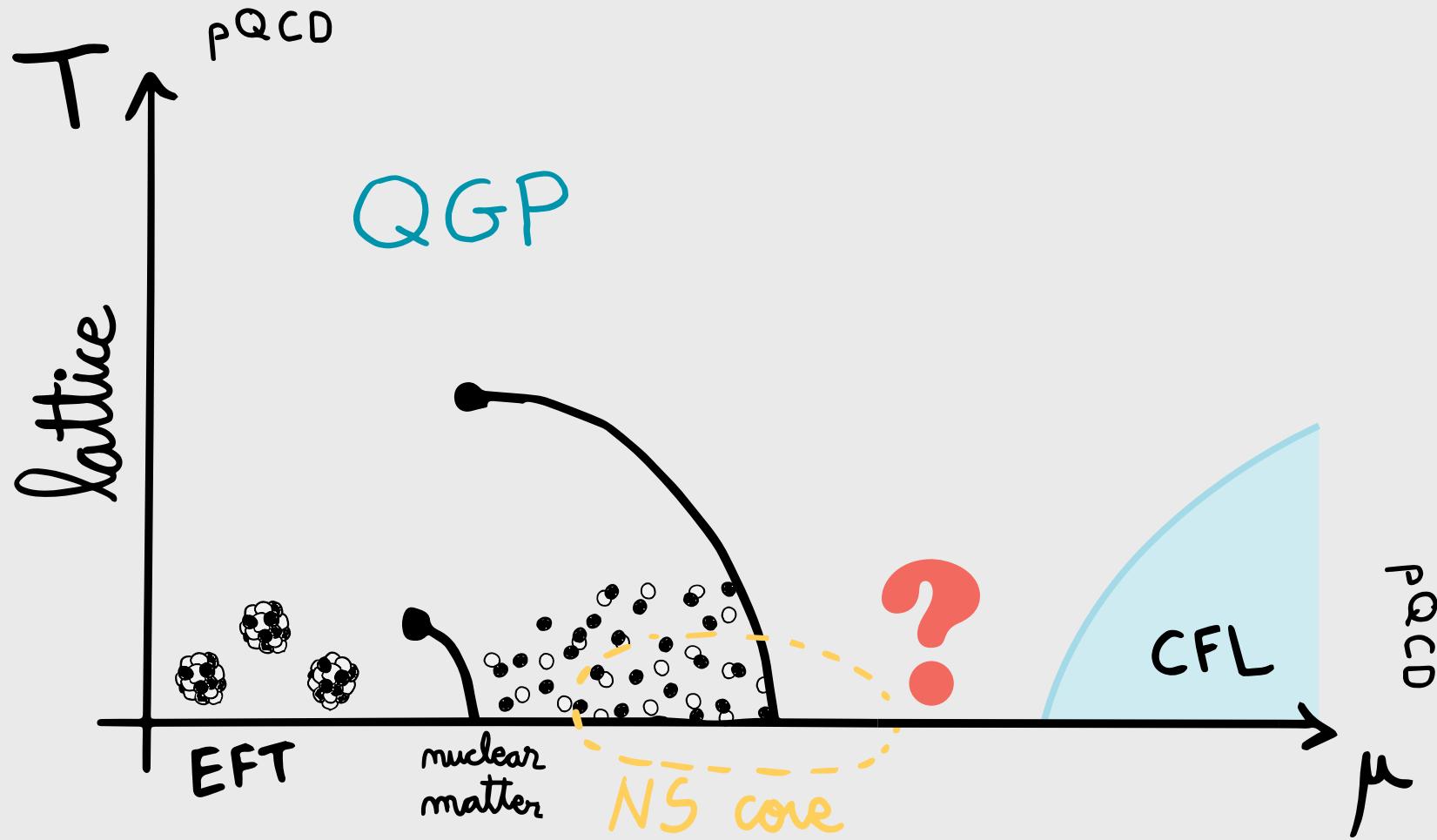
Towards finite baryon density in confining solutions

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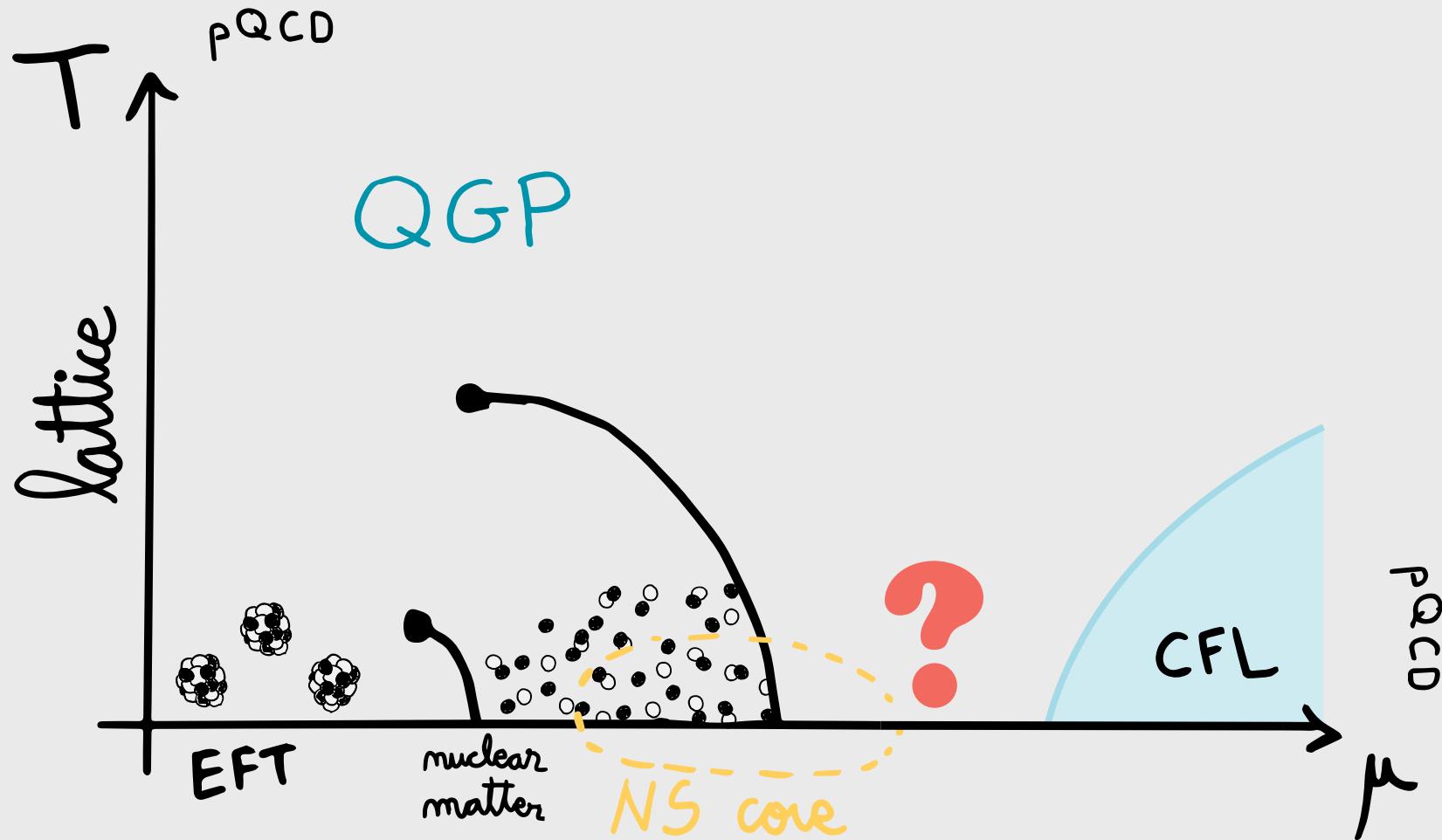


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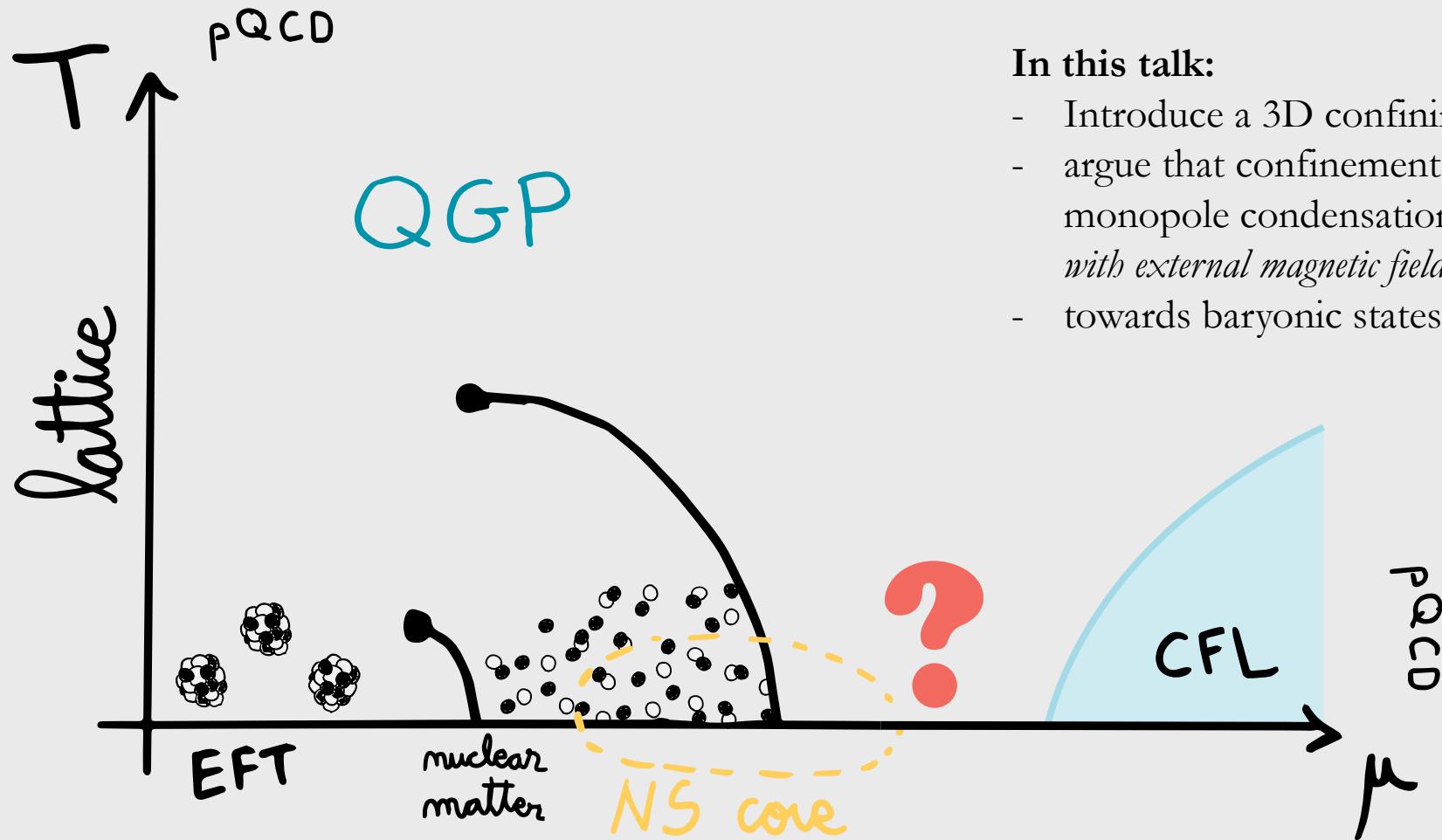
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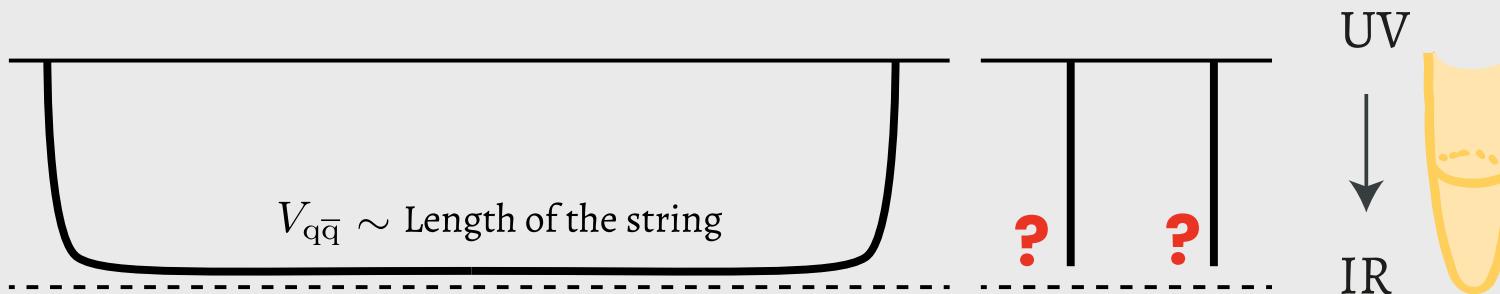
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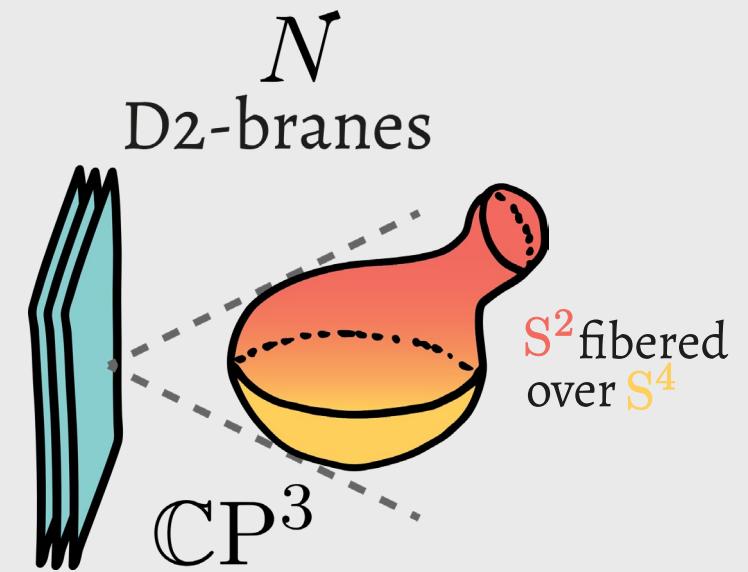
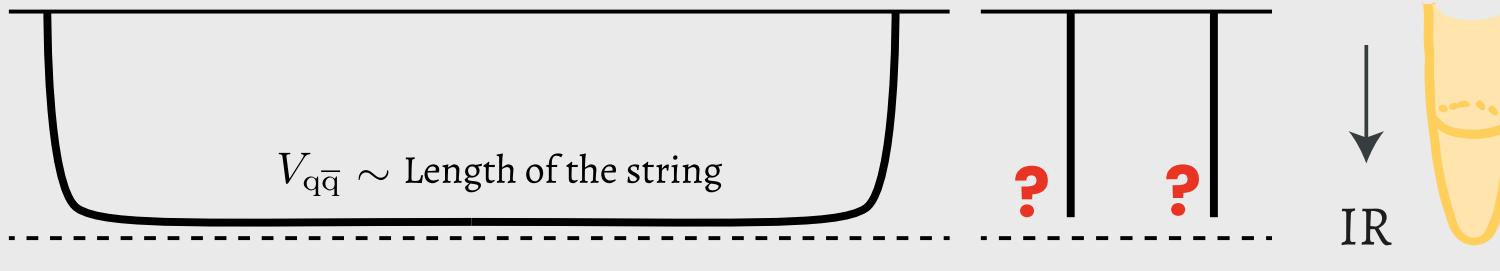
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- argue that confinement is caused by monopole condensation, (*phase diagram with external magnetic field*),
- towards baryonic states.



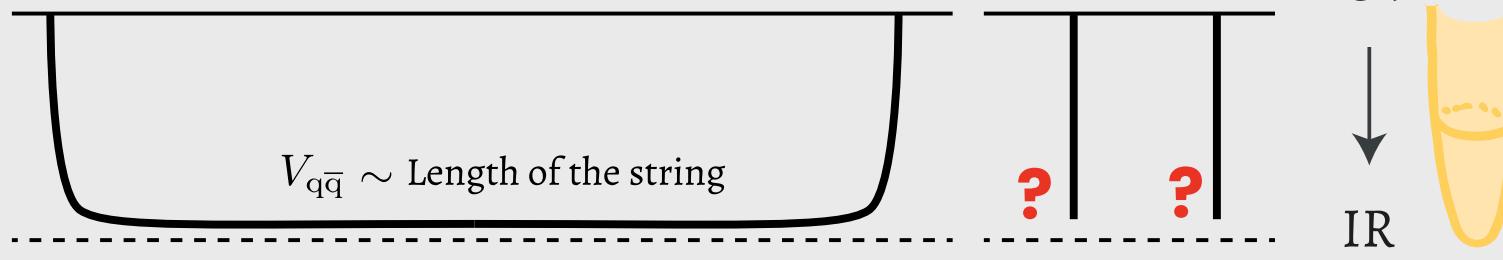
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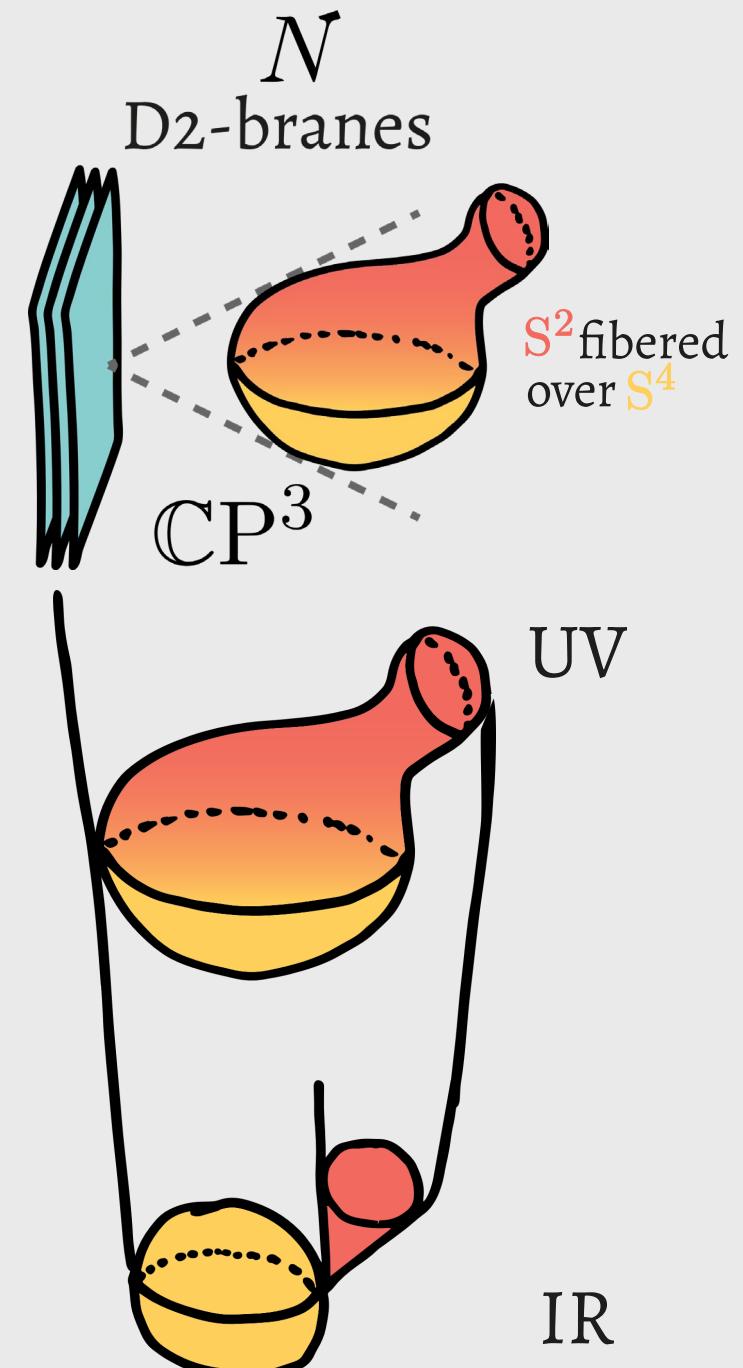


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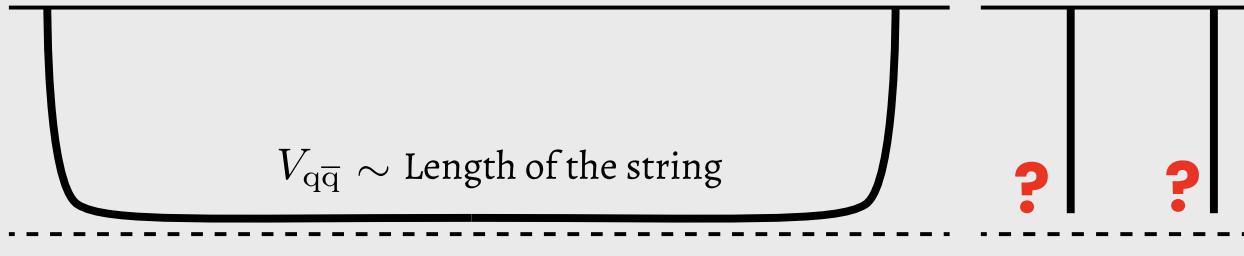
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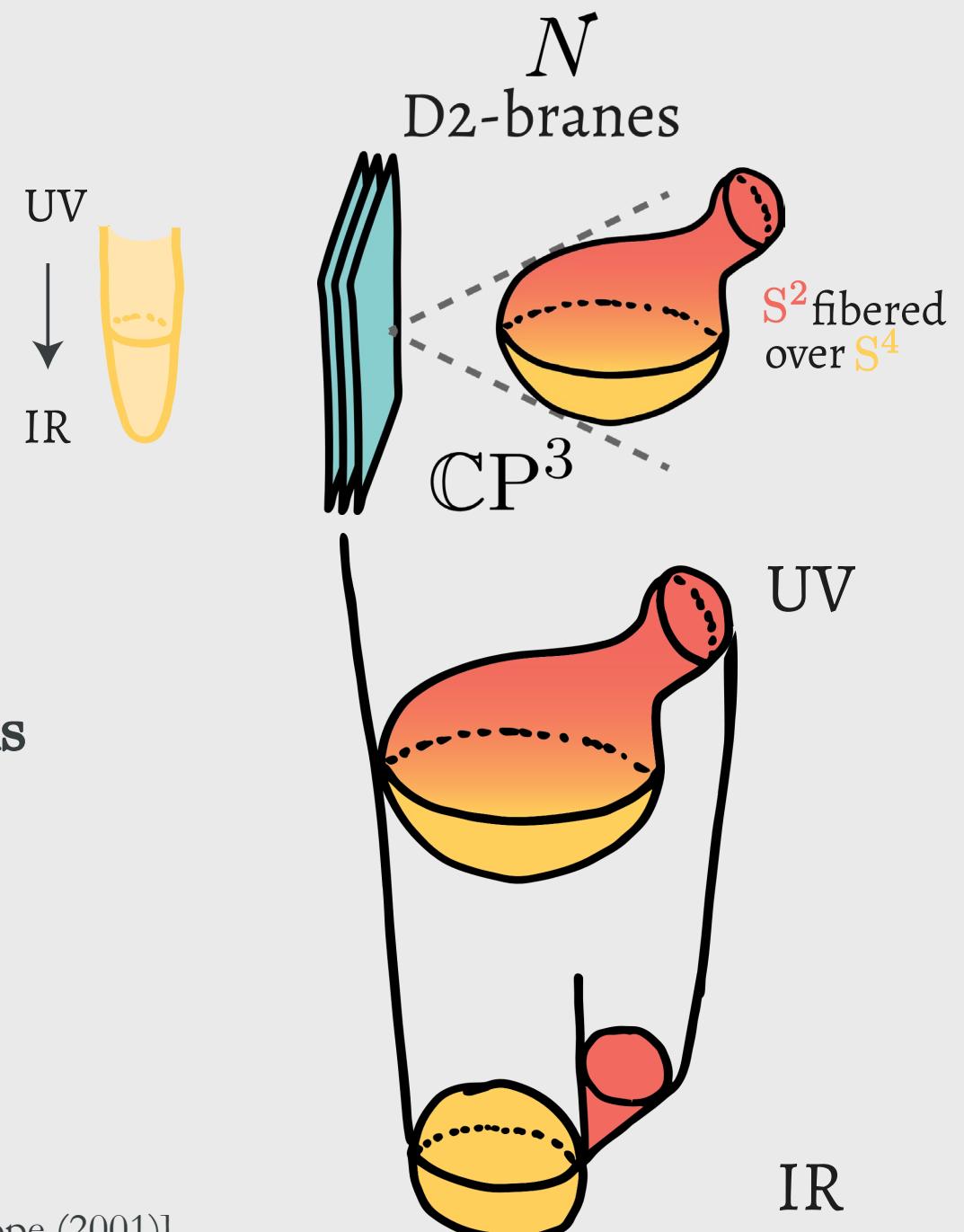
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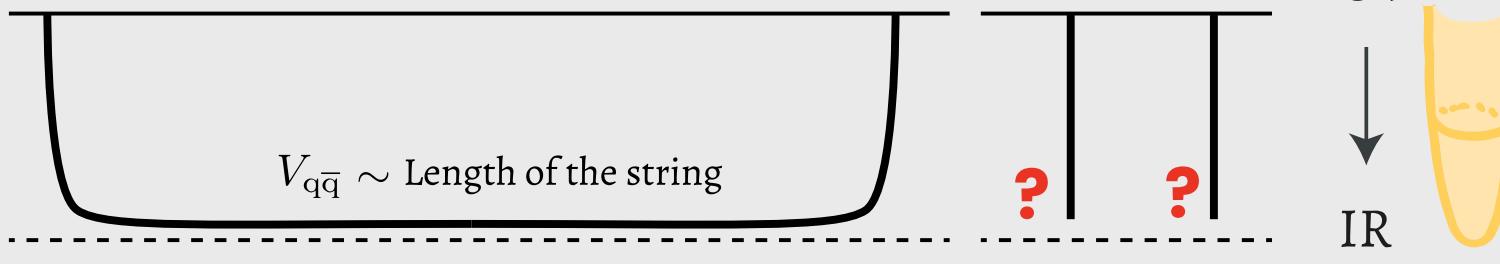
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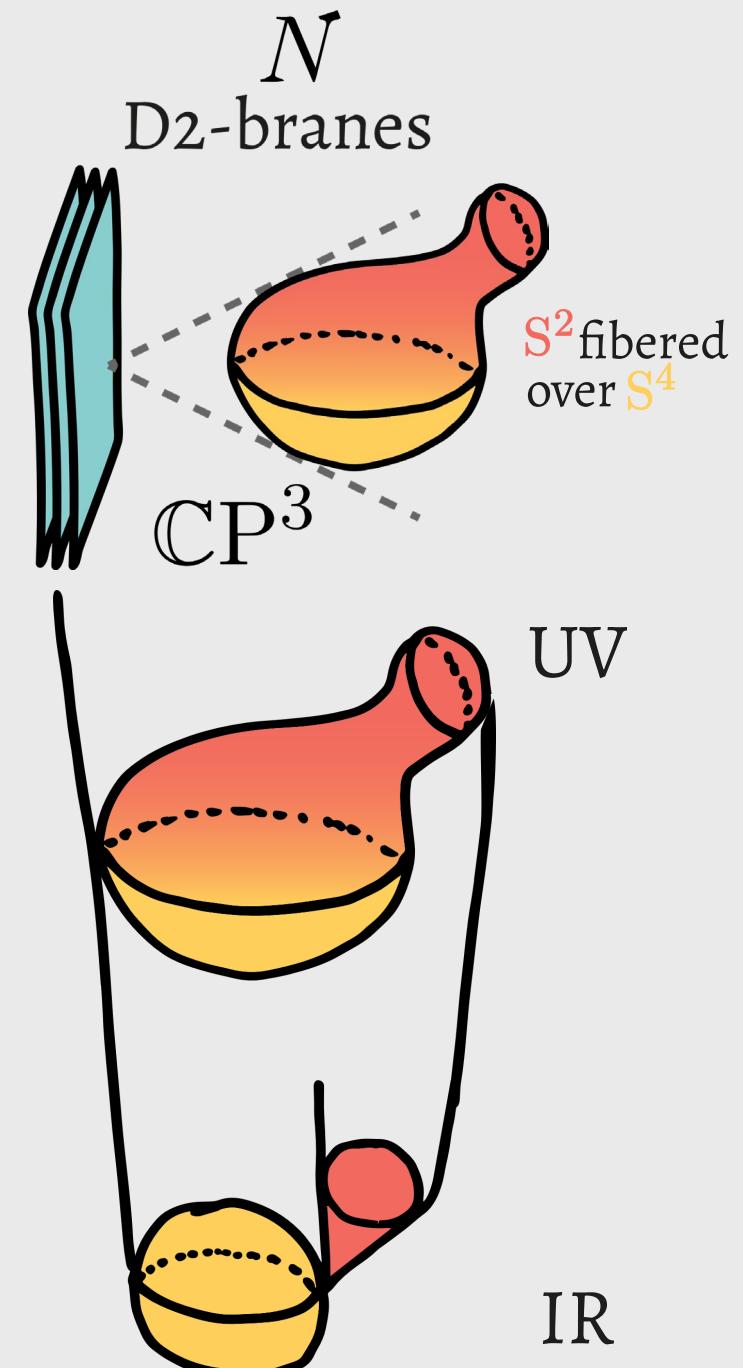
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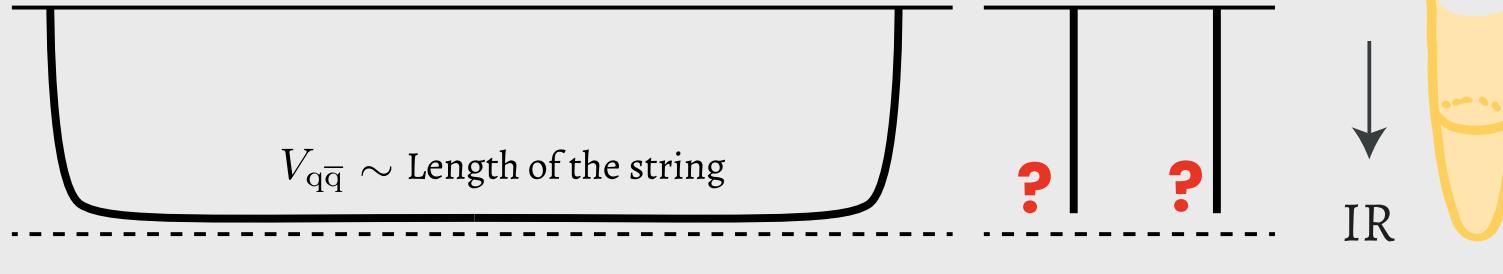
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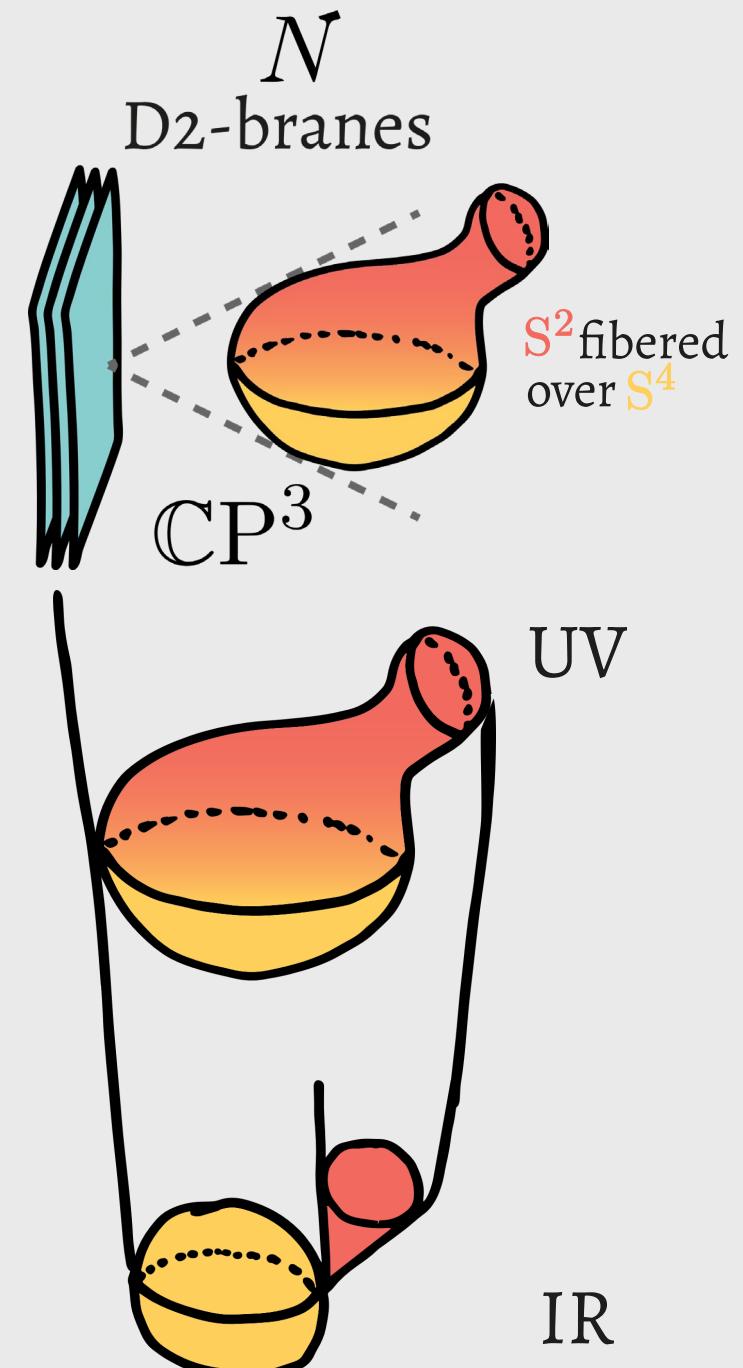
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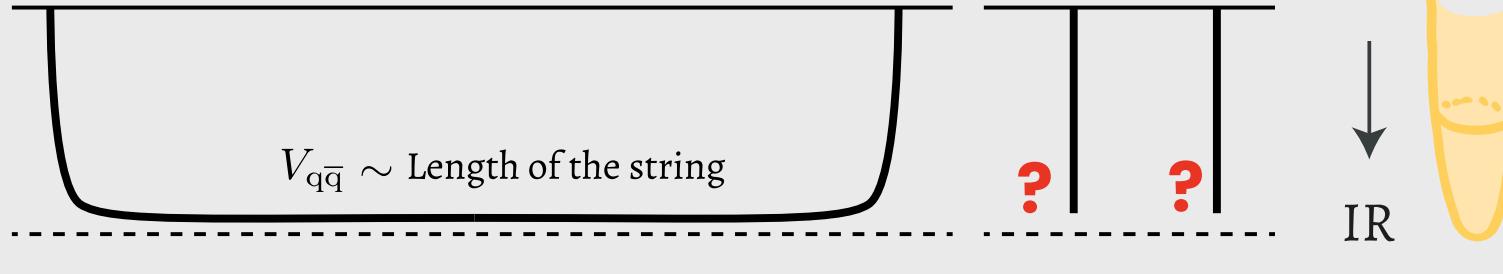
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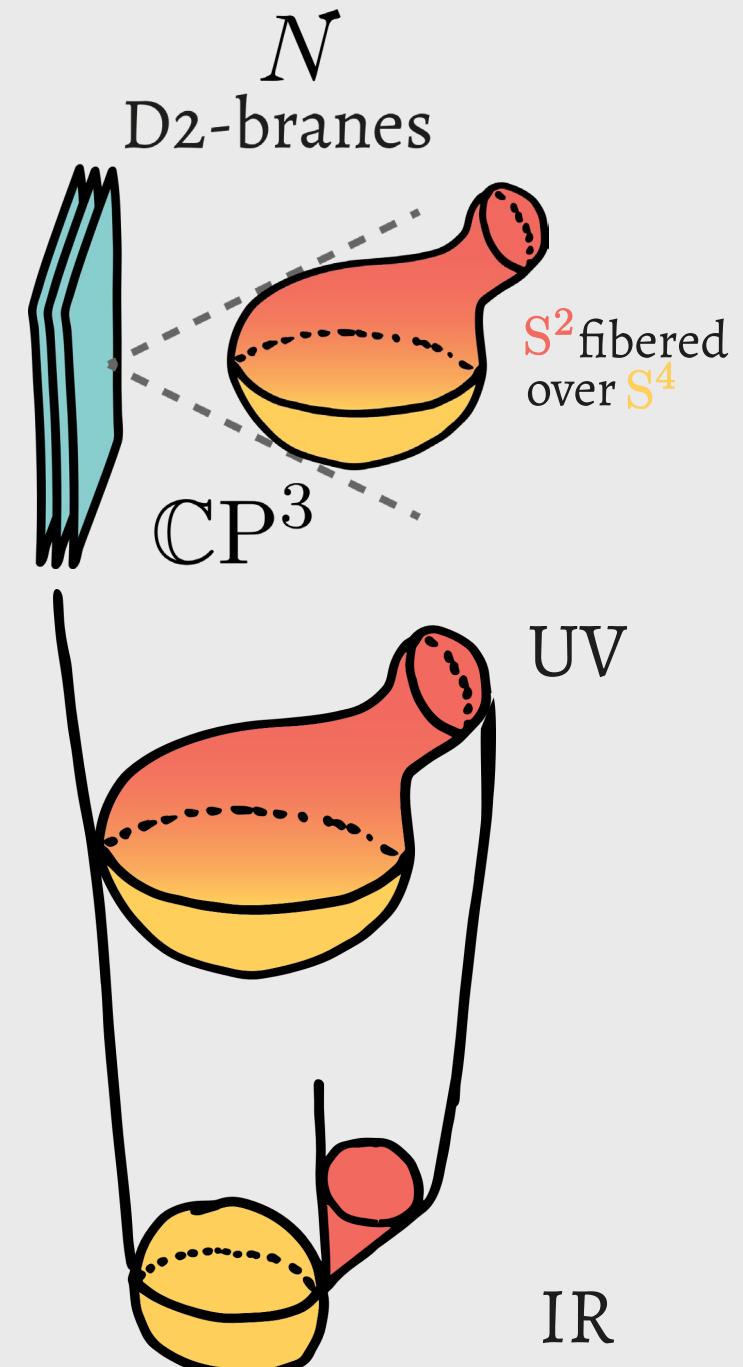
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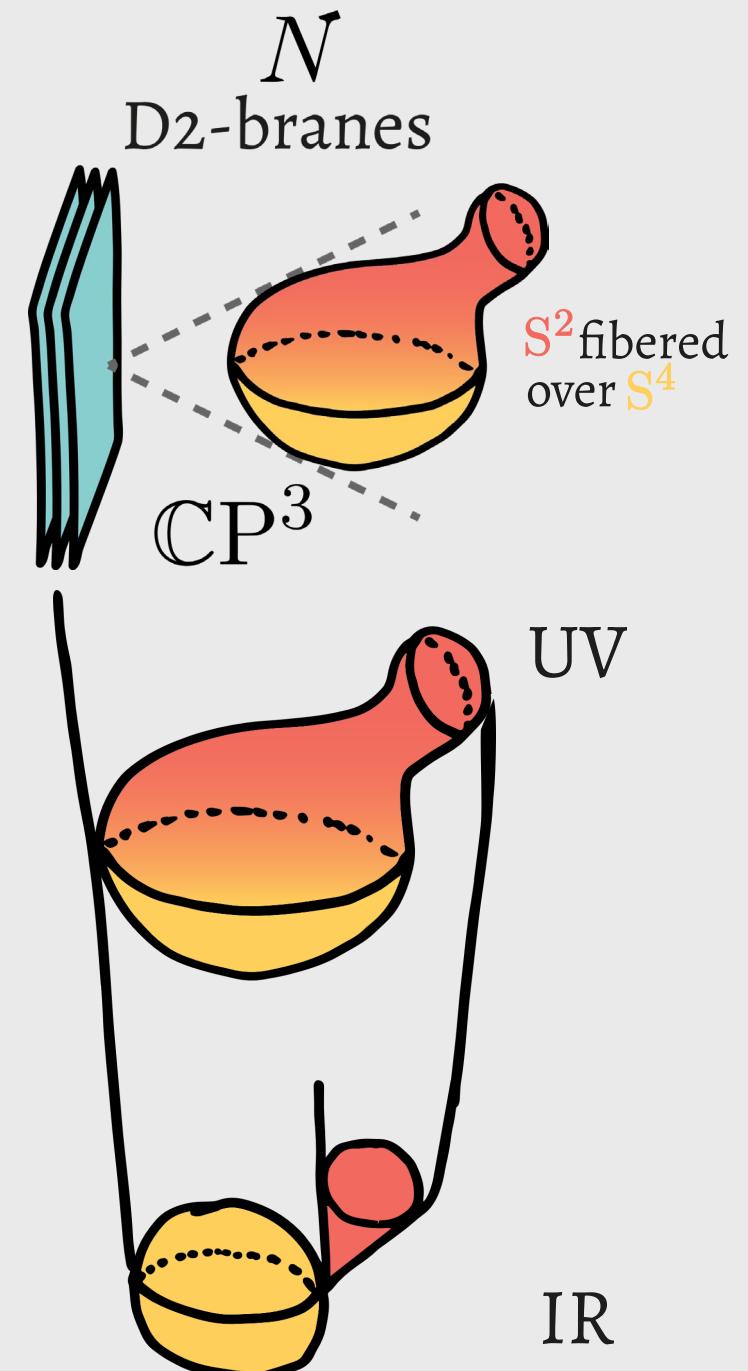
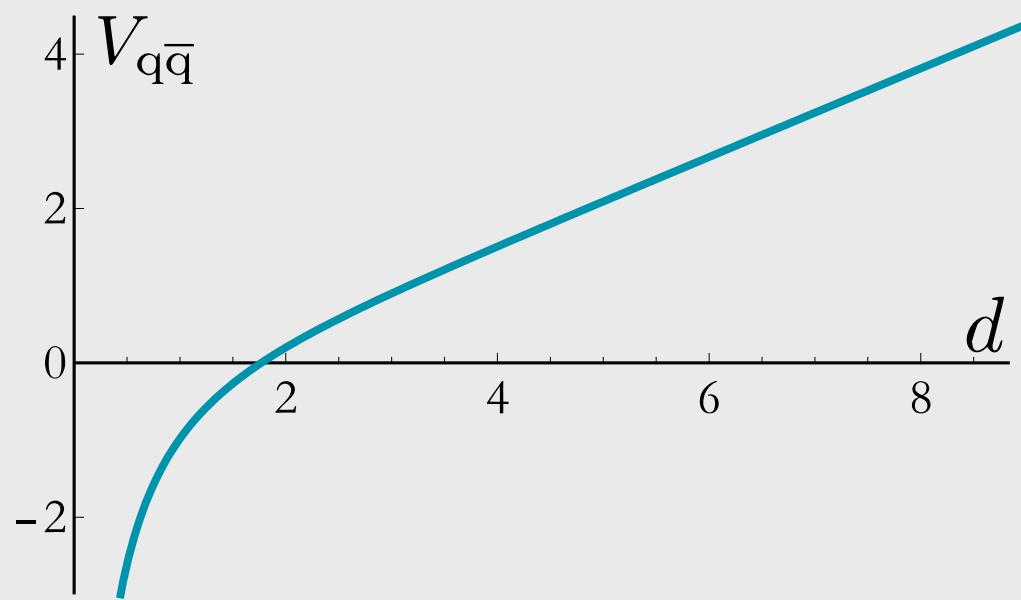
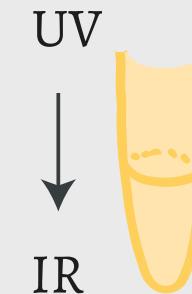
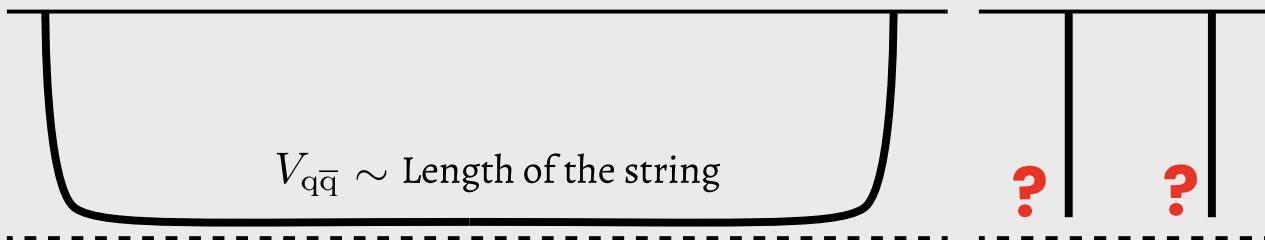
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- The theory cascades to $U(M)$ in the IR.



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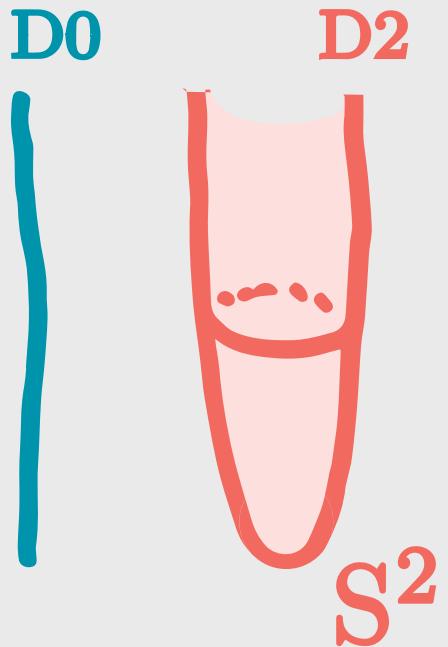
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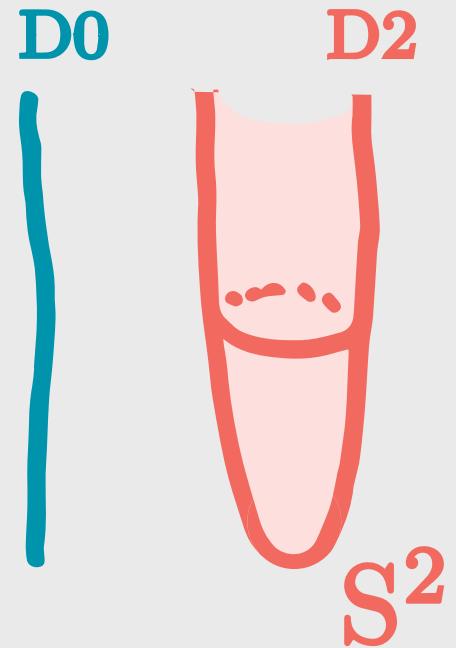
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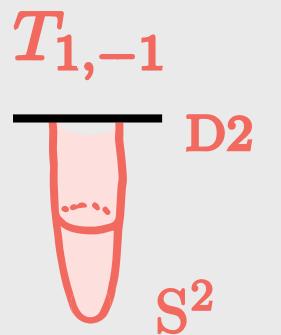
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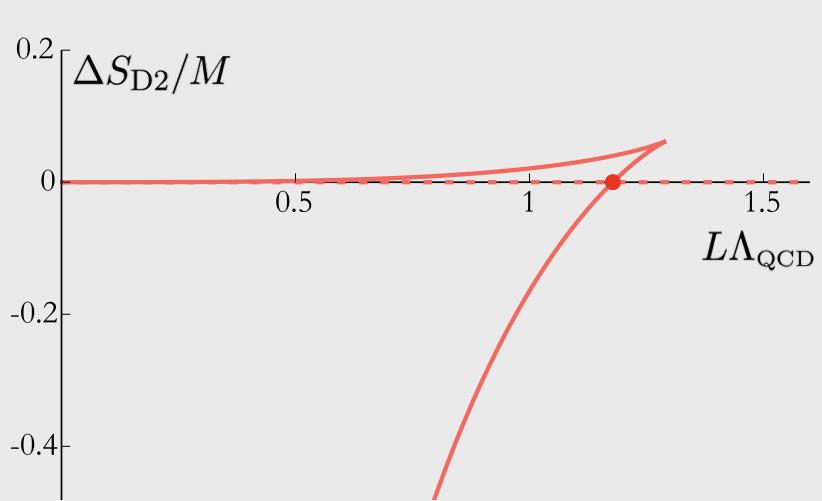
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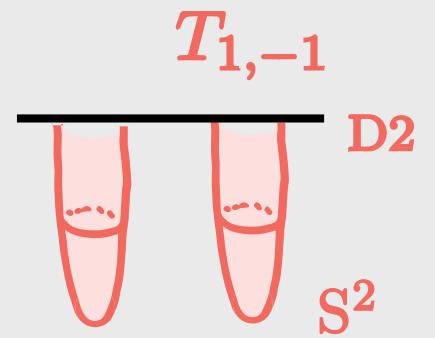
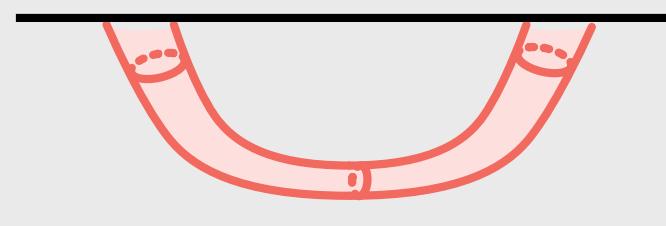
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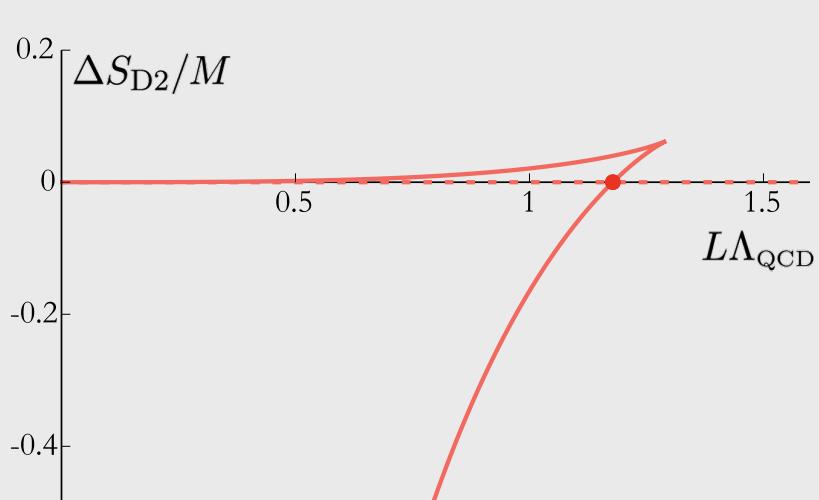
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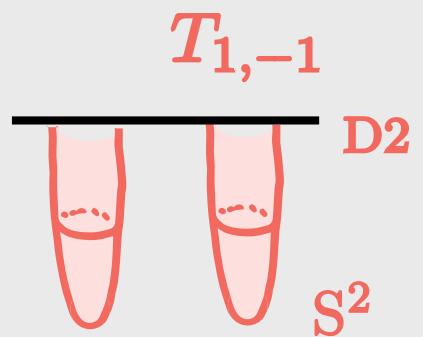
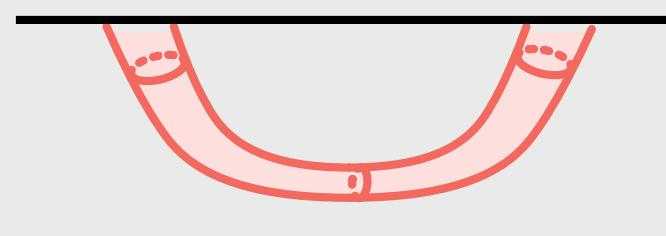
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- Turning on an external C_1 will introduce a modification in the action of the D2, potentially leading to deconfinement.

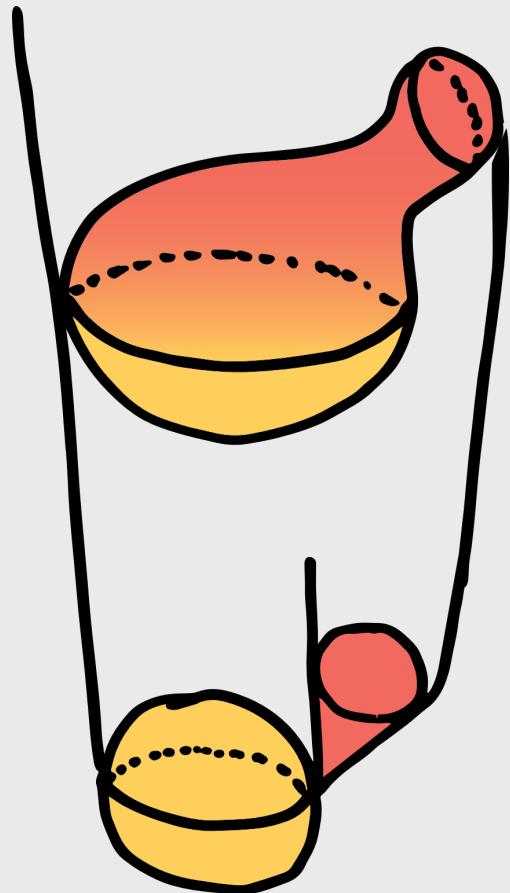
$$F_2 = dC_1$$

$$C_1 = a_t(r) dt + \frac{\beta_1}{2} (x_1 dx_2 - x_2 dx_1)$$

$$S_{D2} = S_{DBI} - \int_{\mathbb{CP}^1} B_2 \int C_1$$

- The current should be something like $J = \text{tr}_N \star \mathcal{F}_N + \text{tr}_{N+M} \star \mathcal{F}_{N+M}$

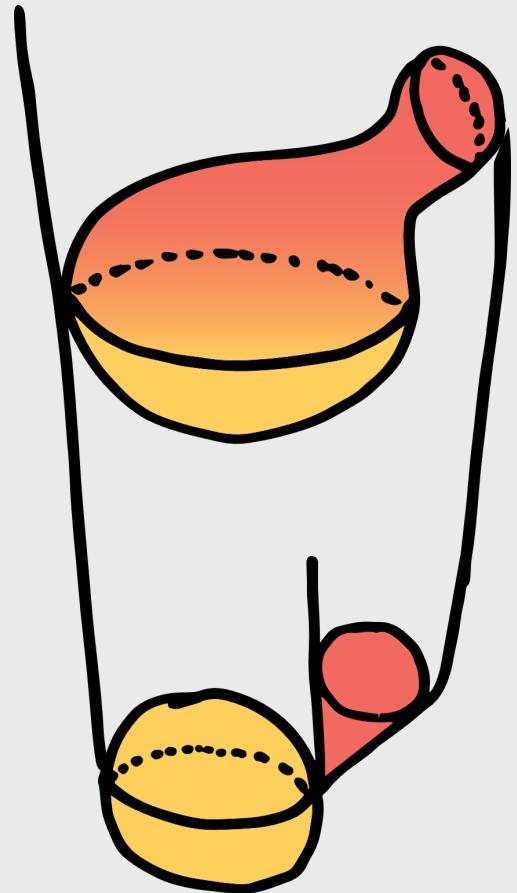
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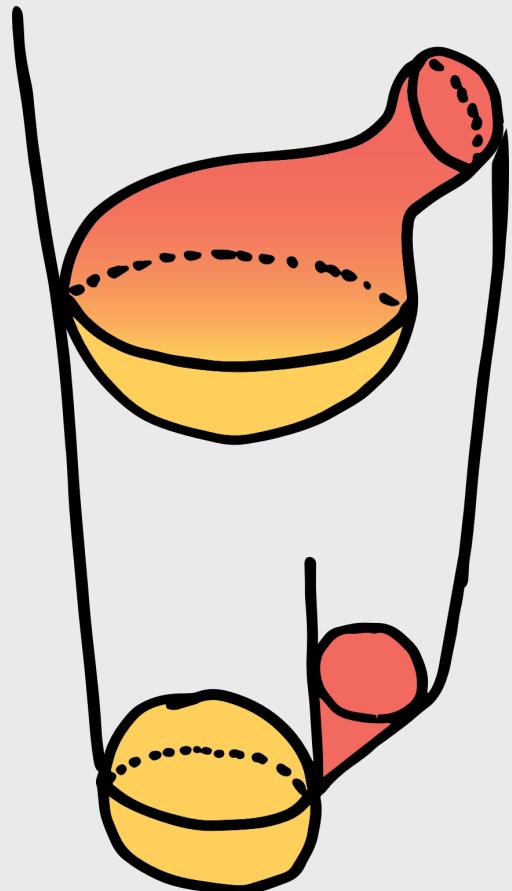
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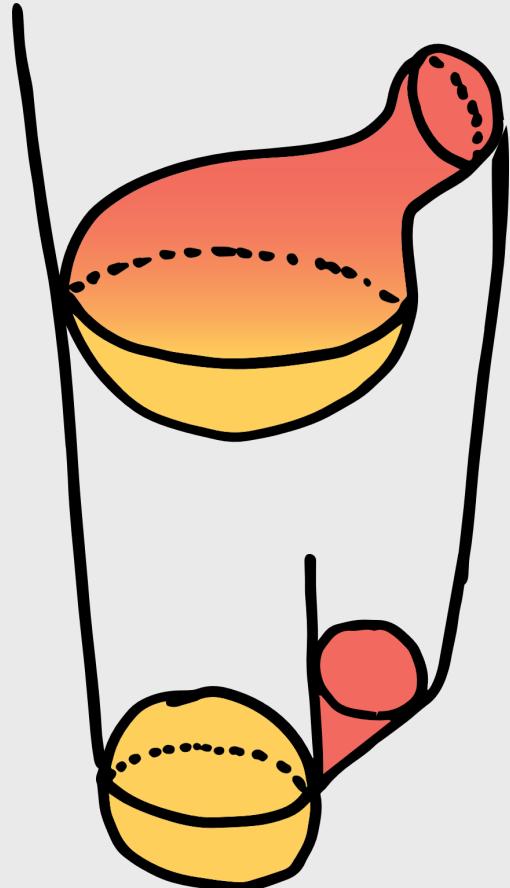
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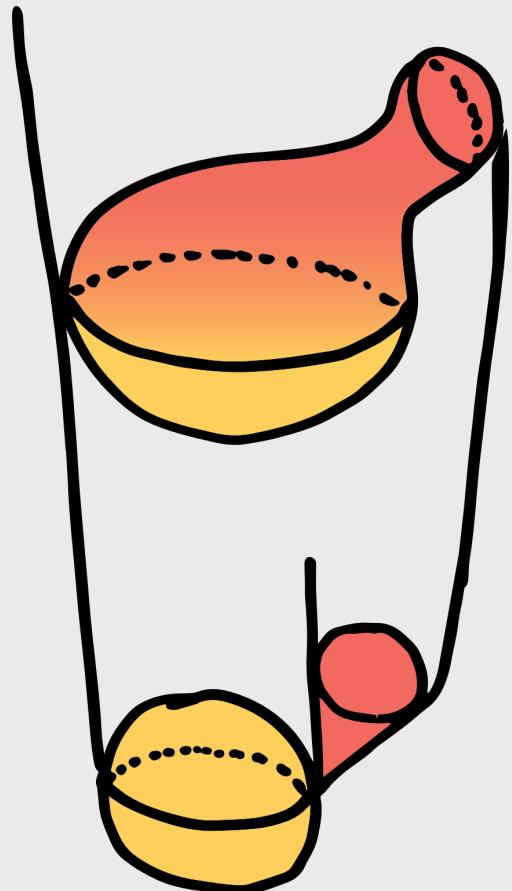
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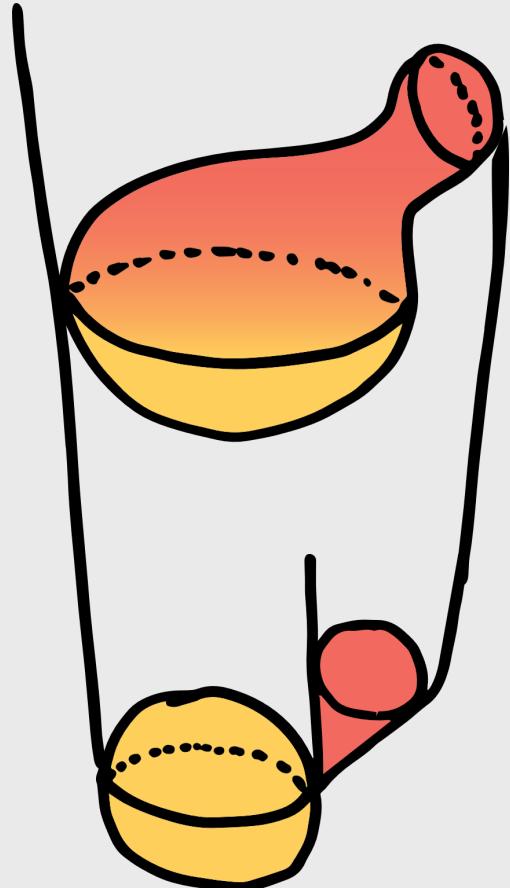
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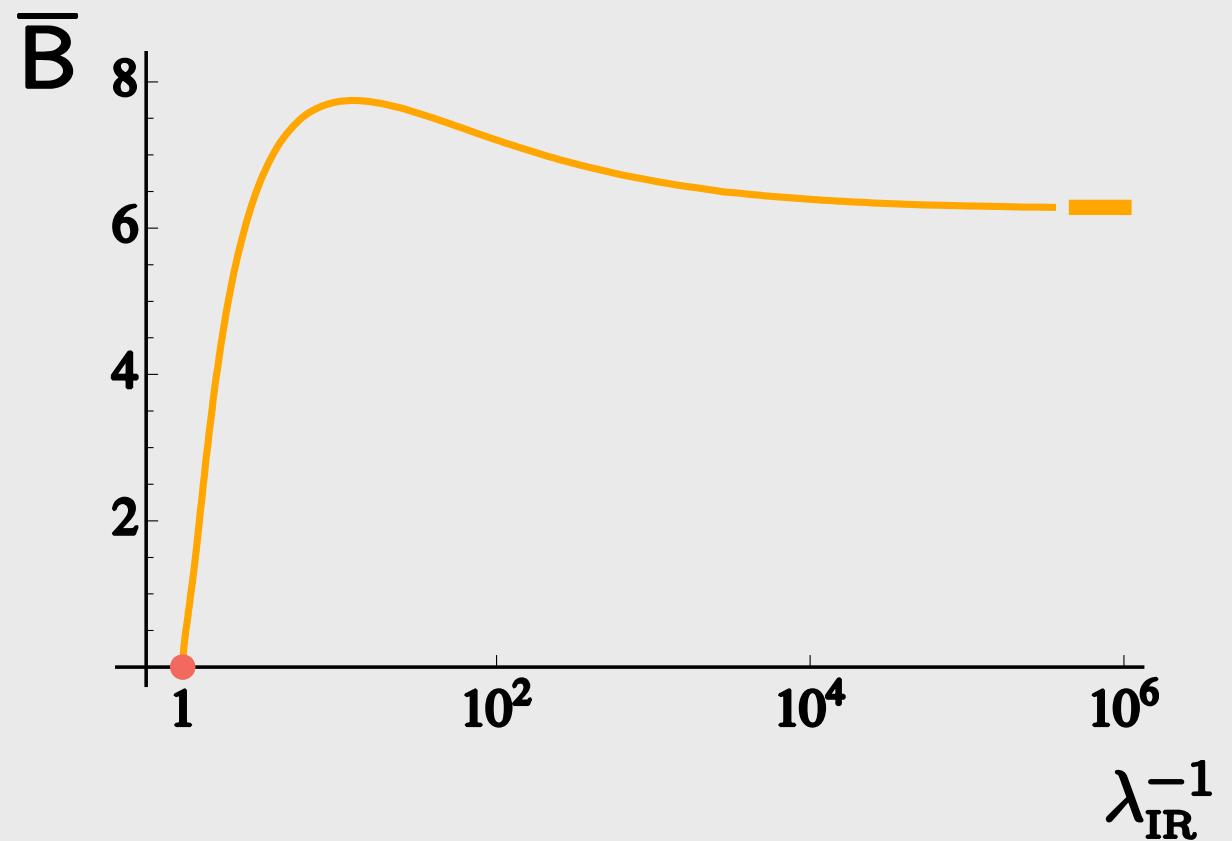
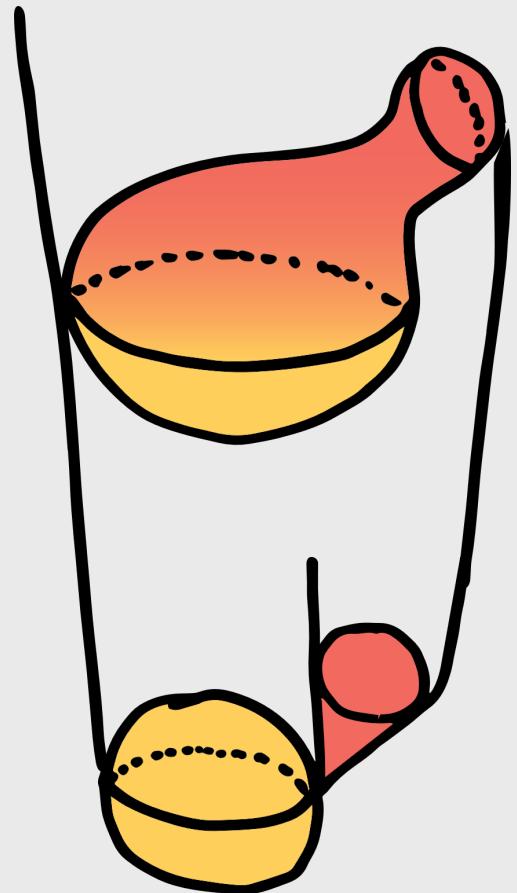
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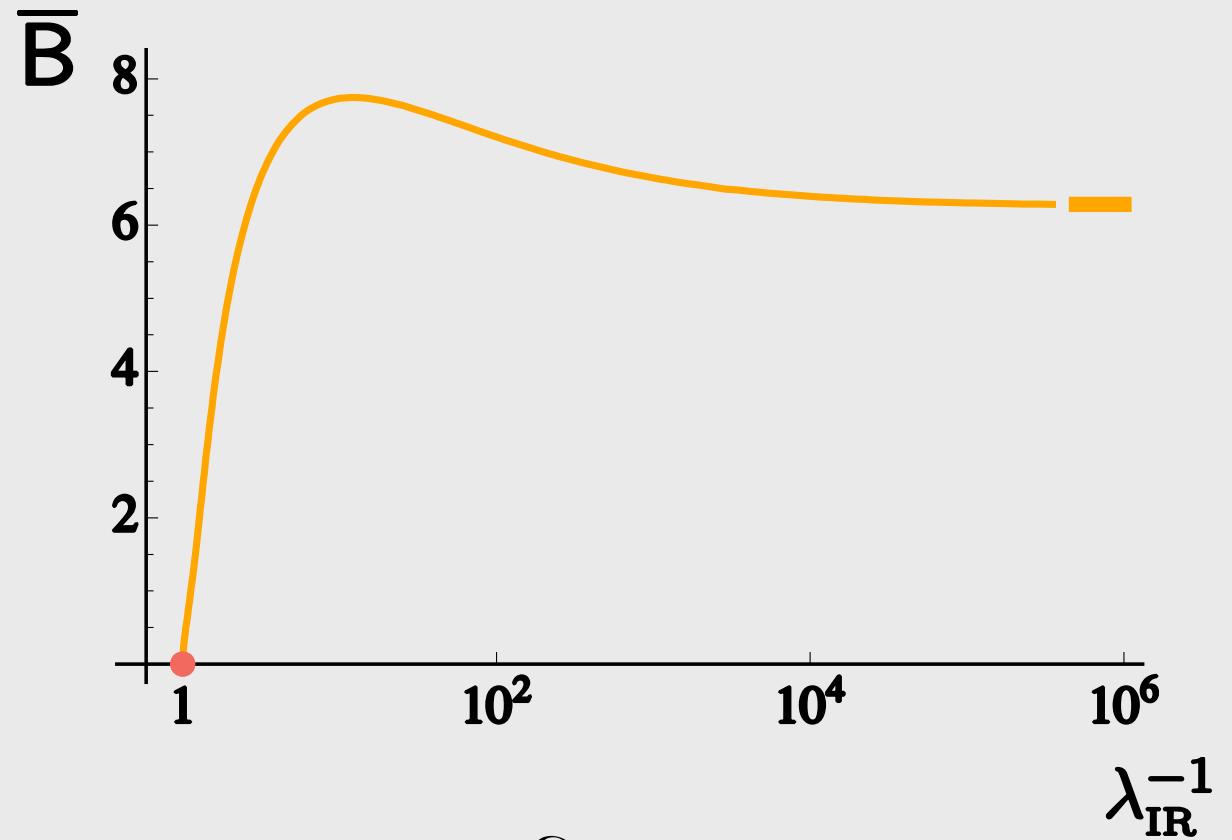
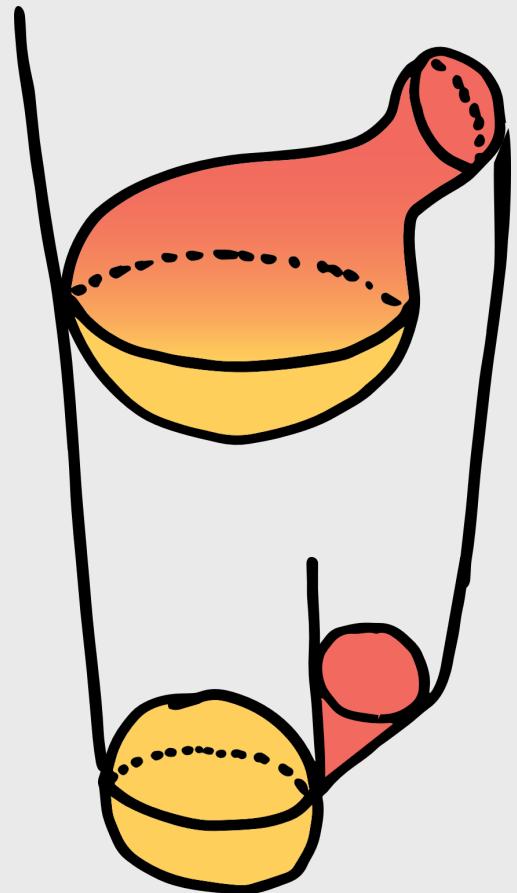
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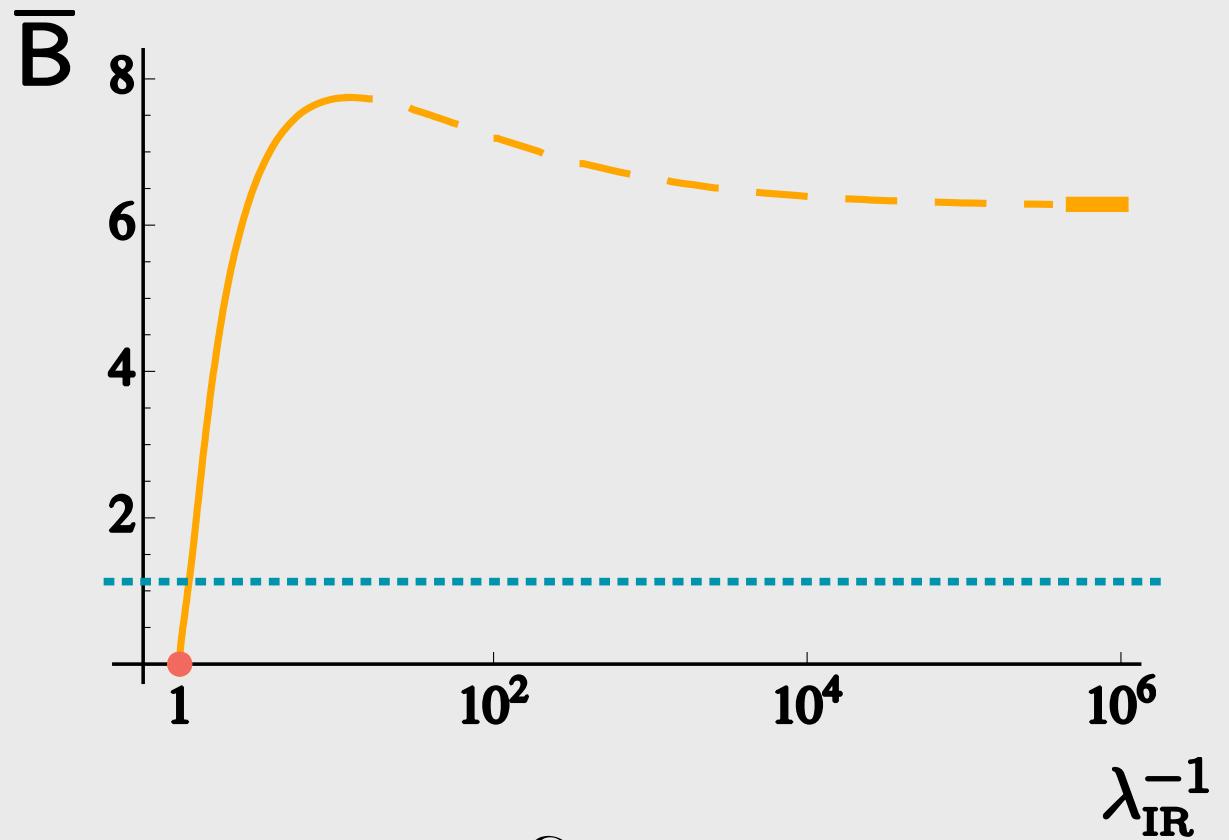
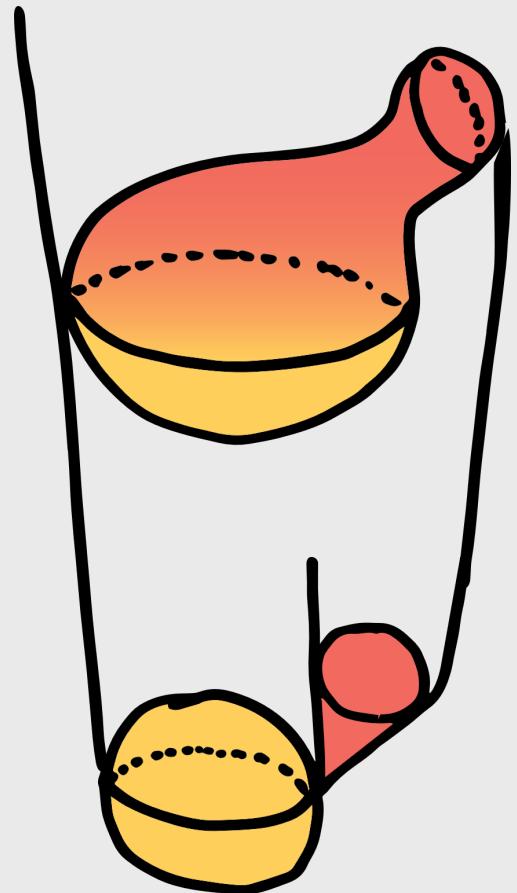
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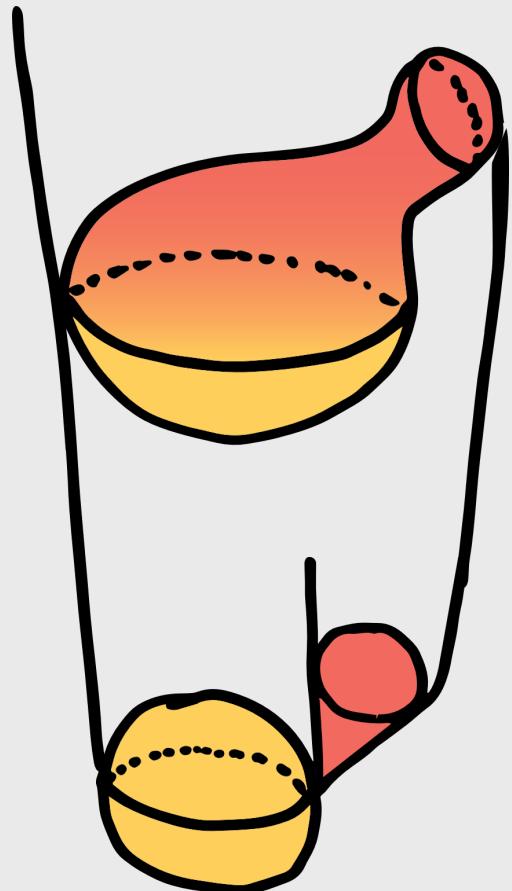
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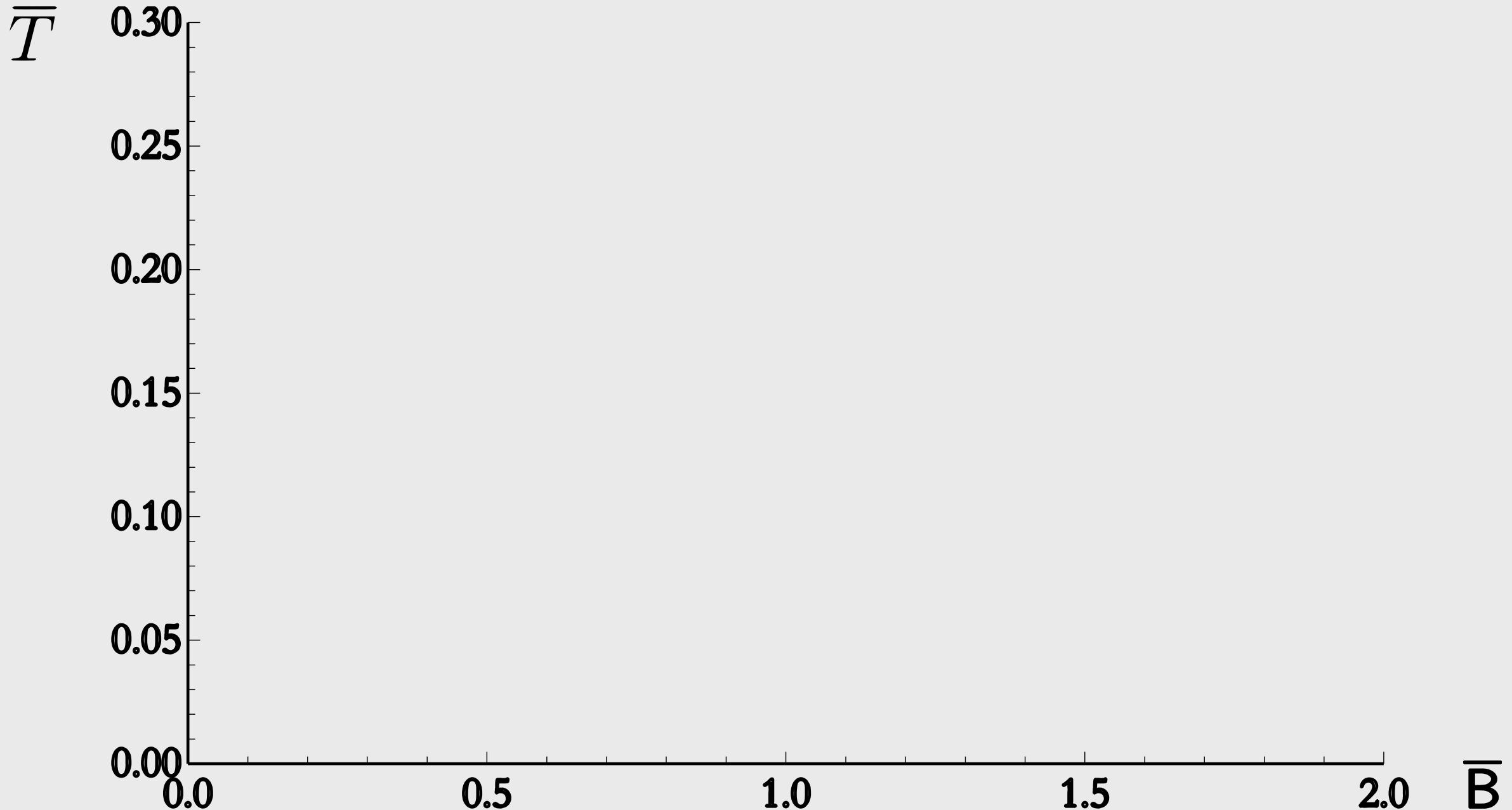


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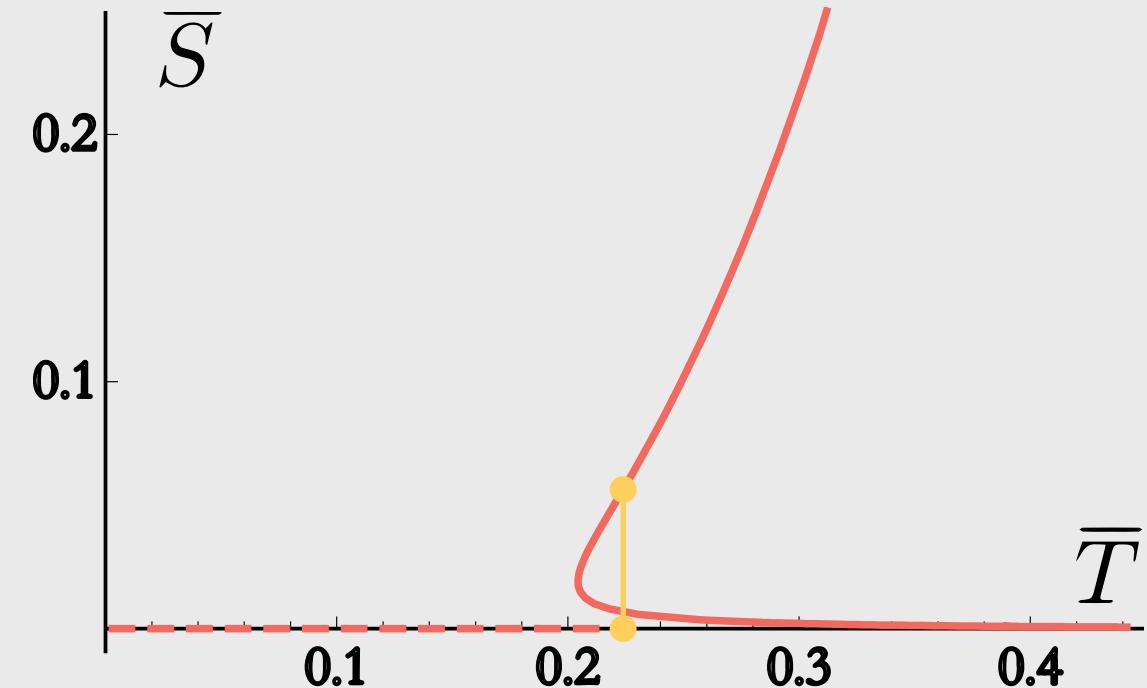
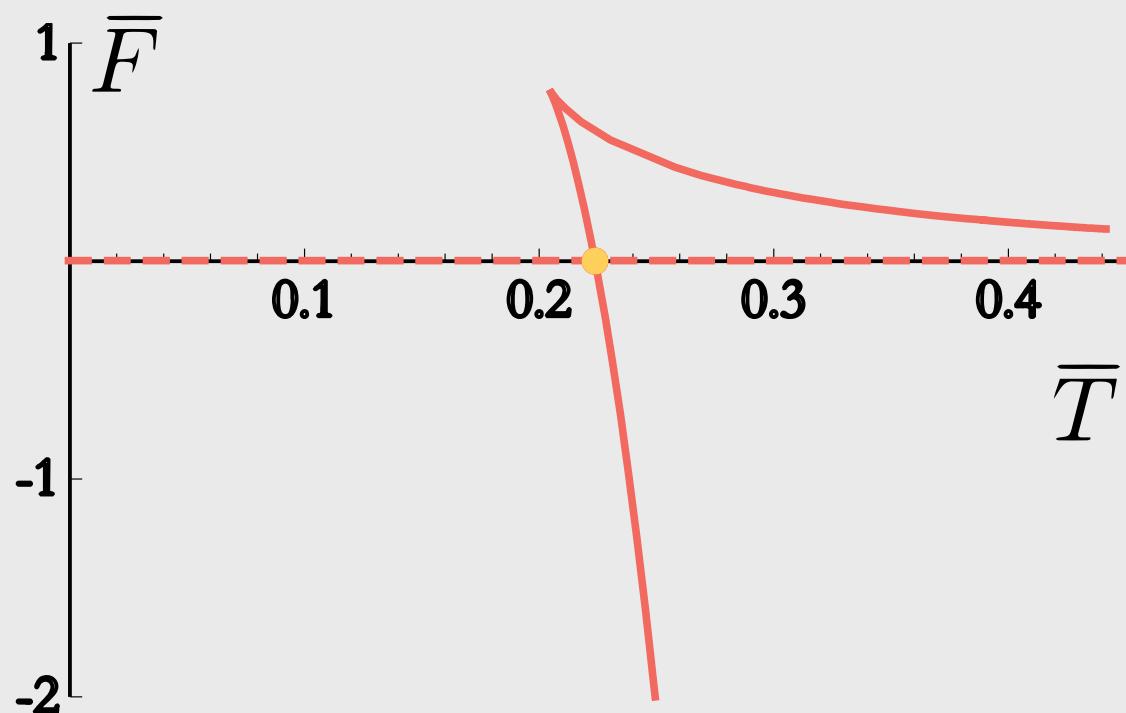


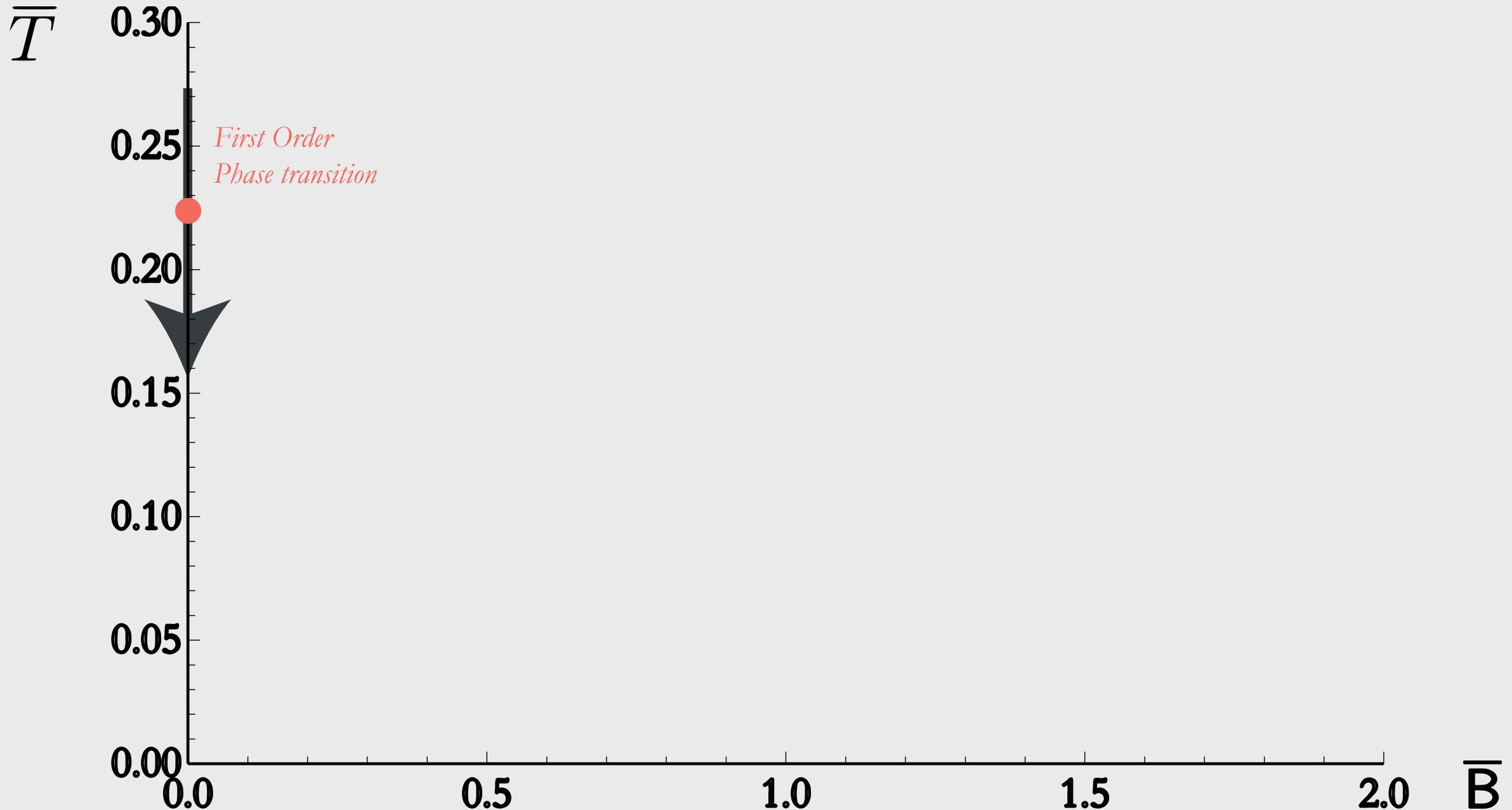
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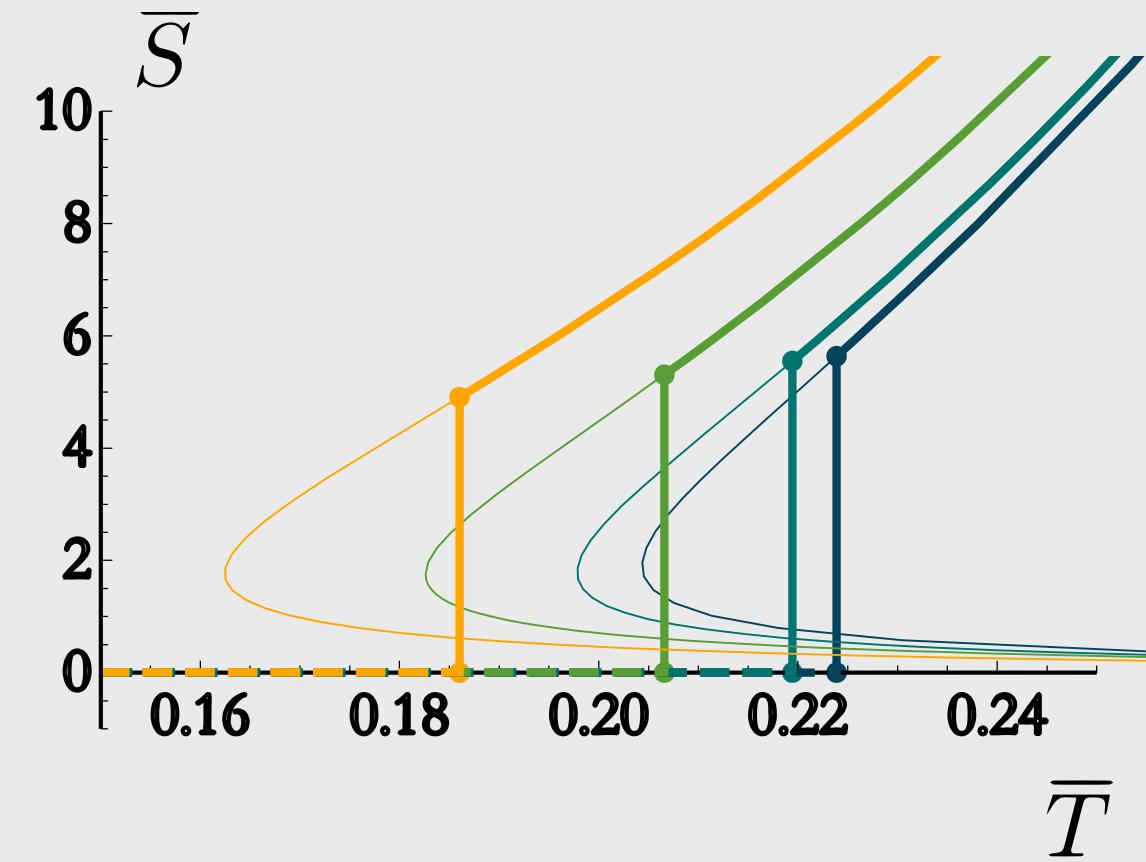
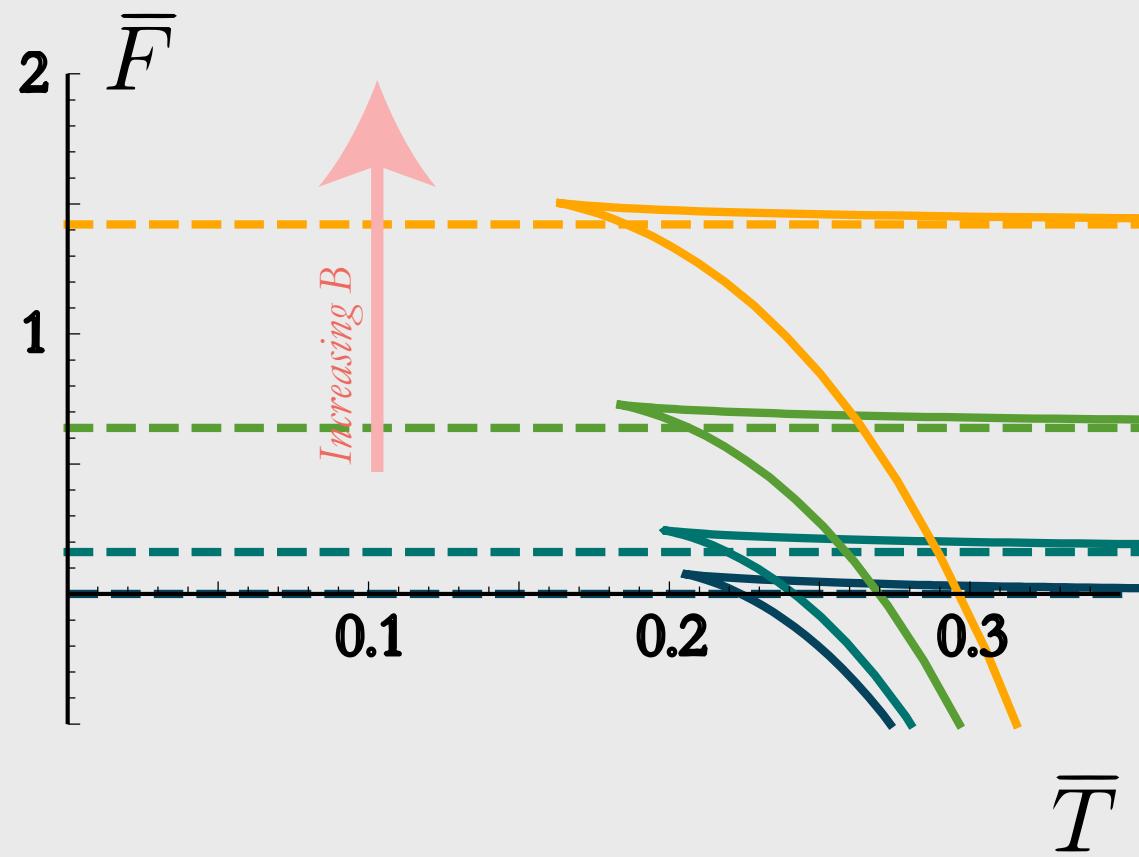


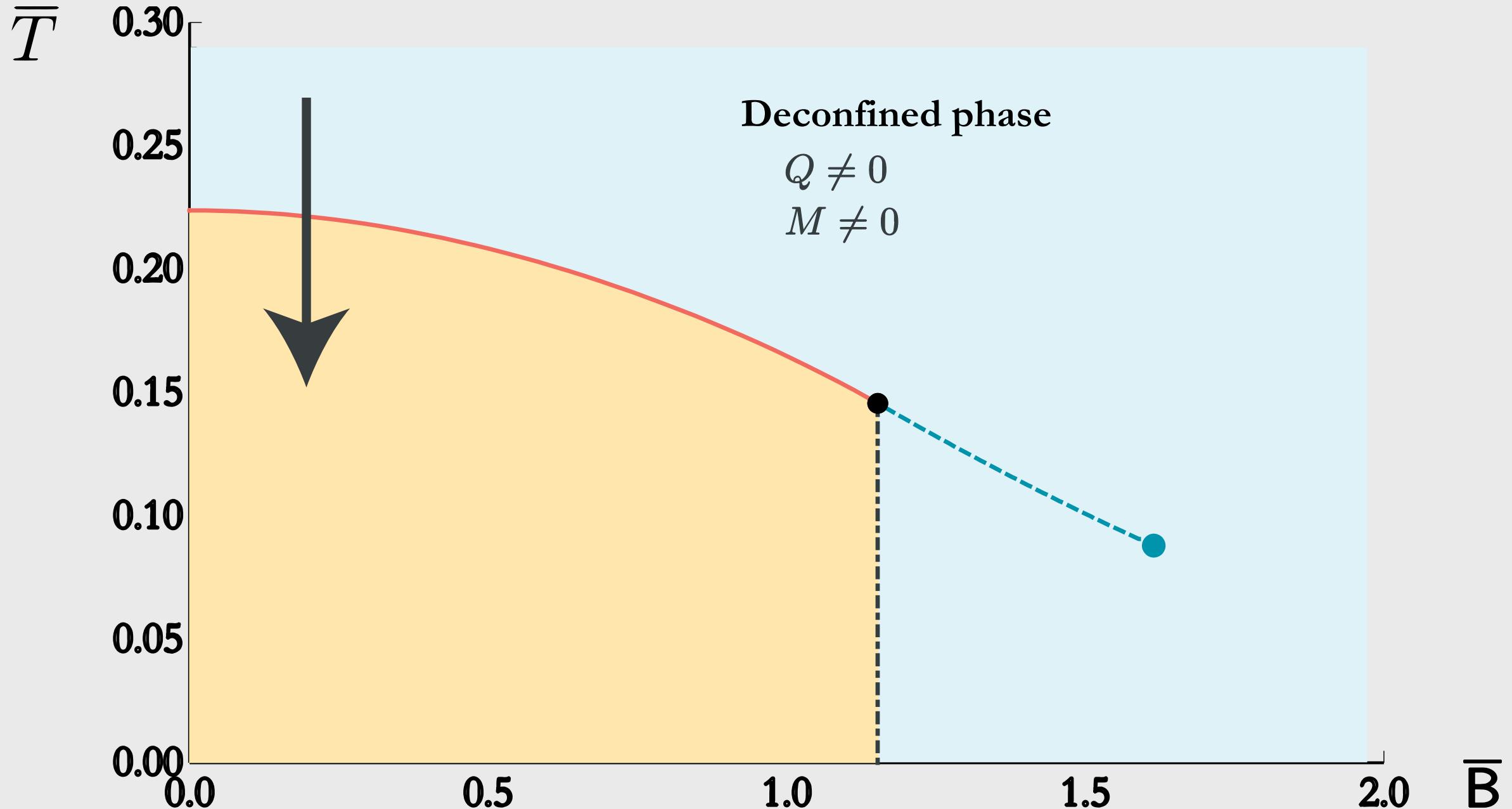
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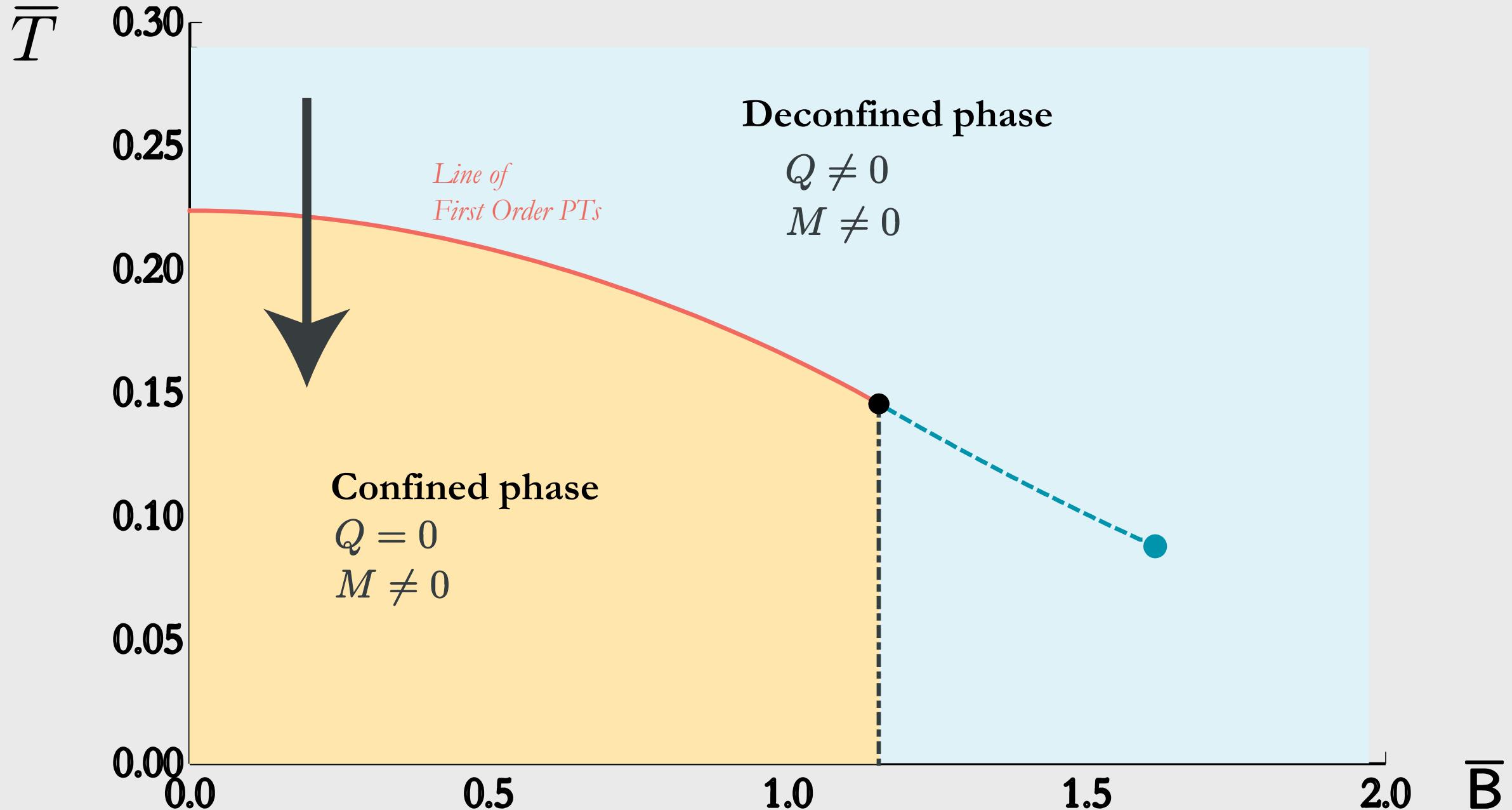




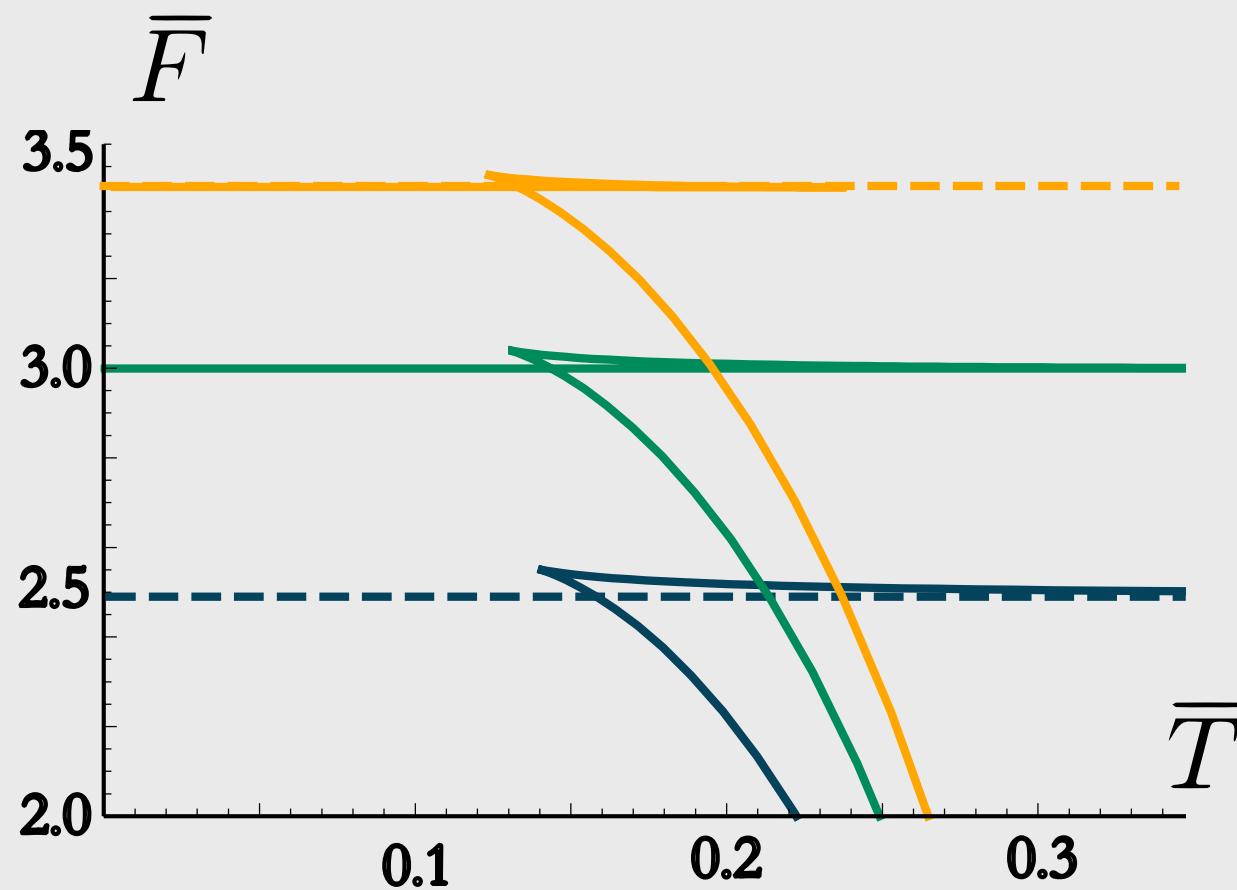
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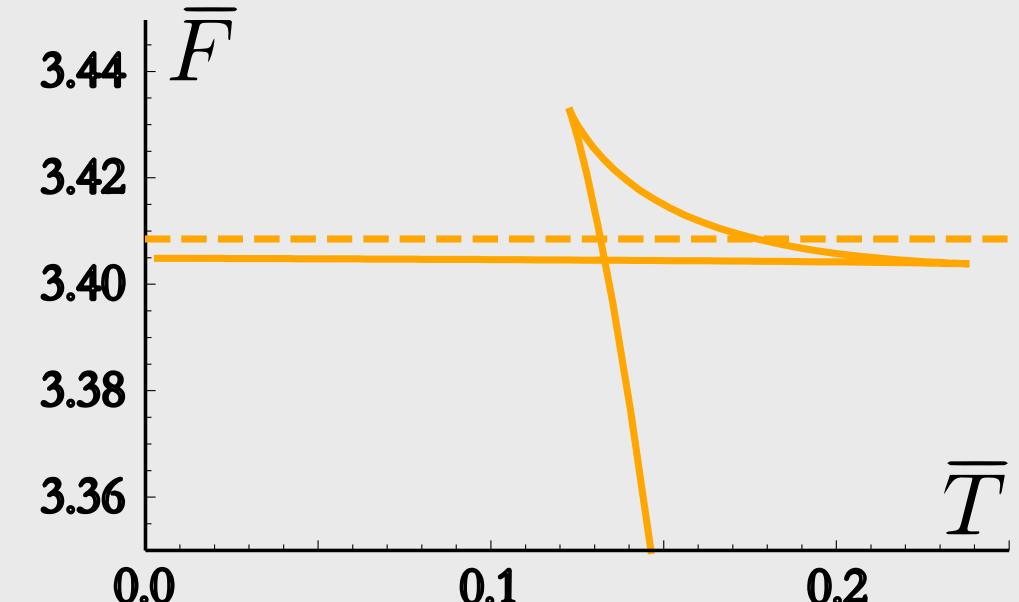
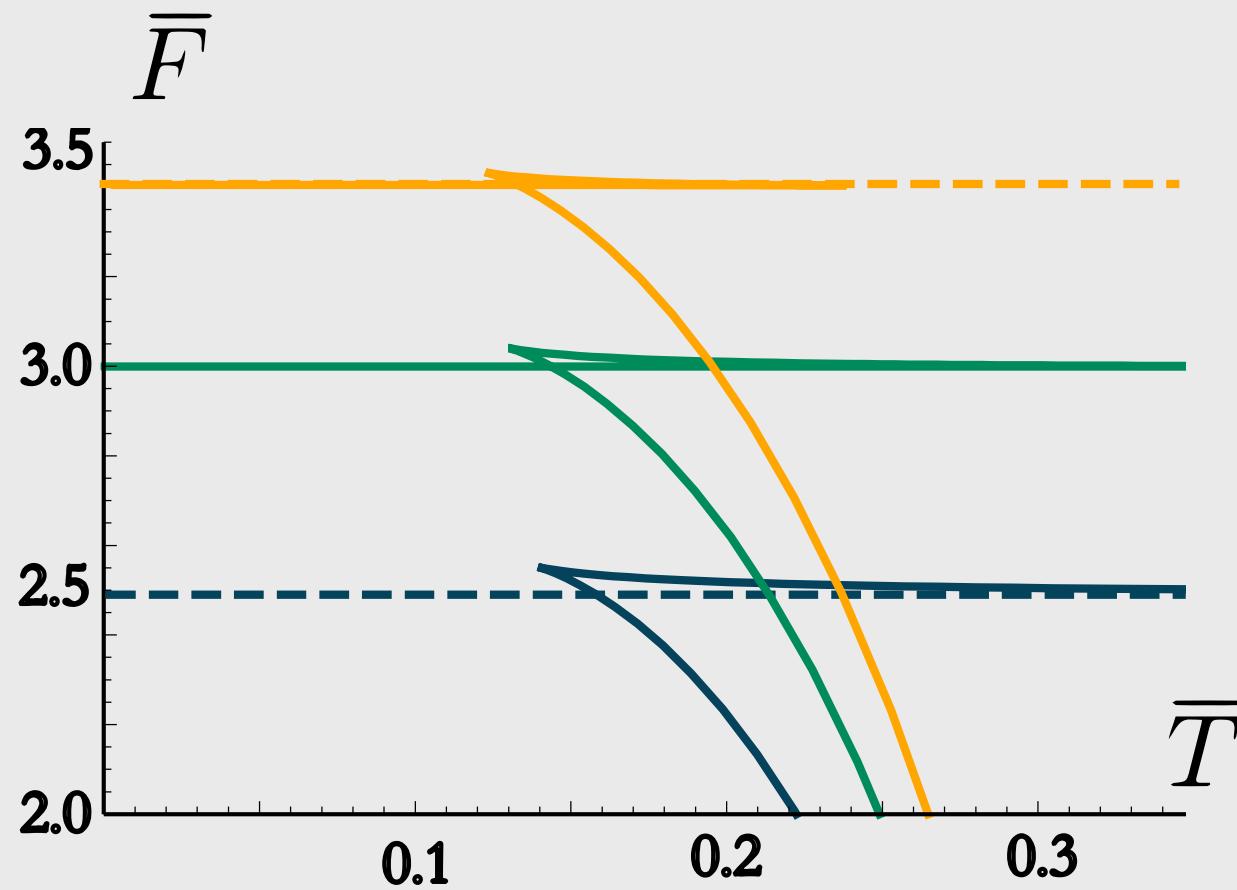


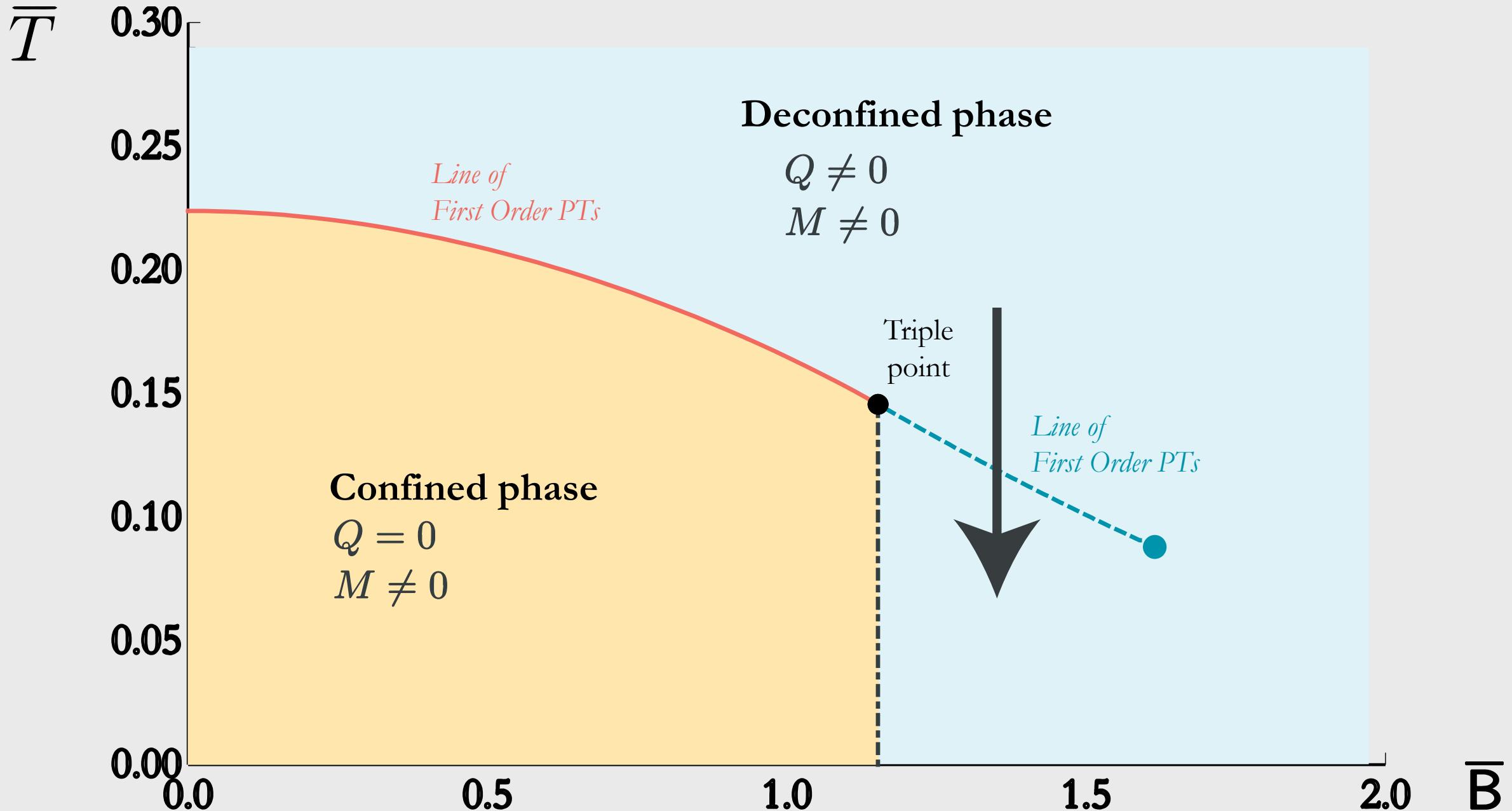


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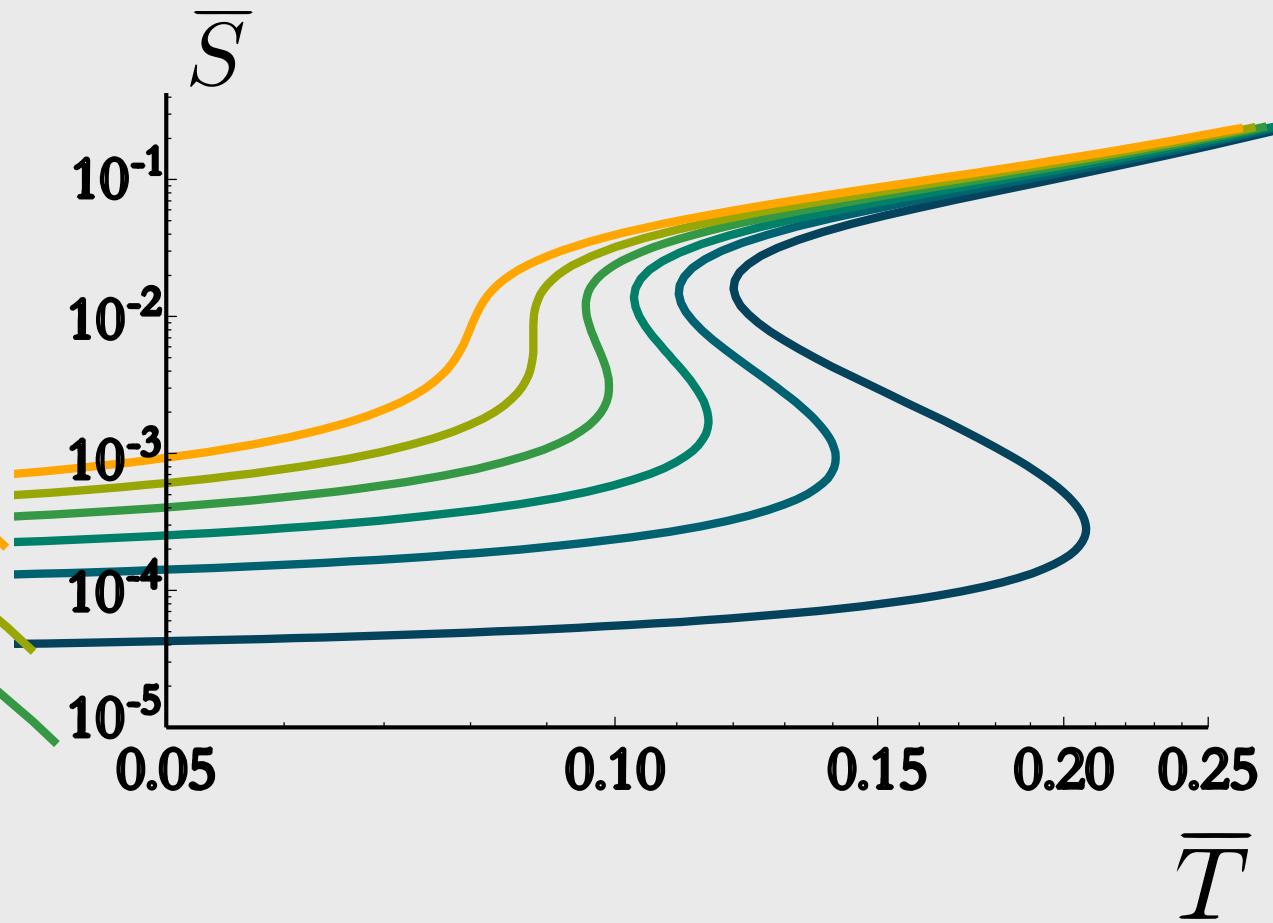
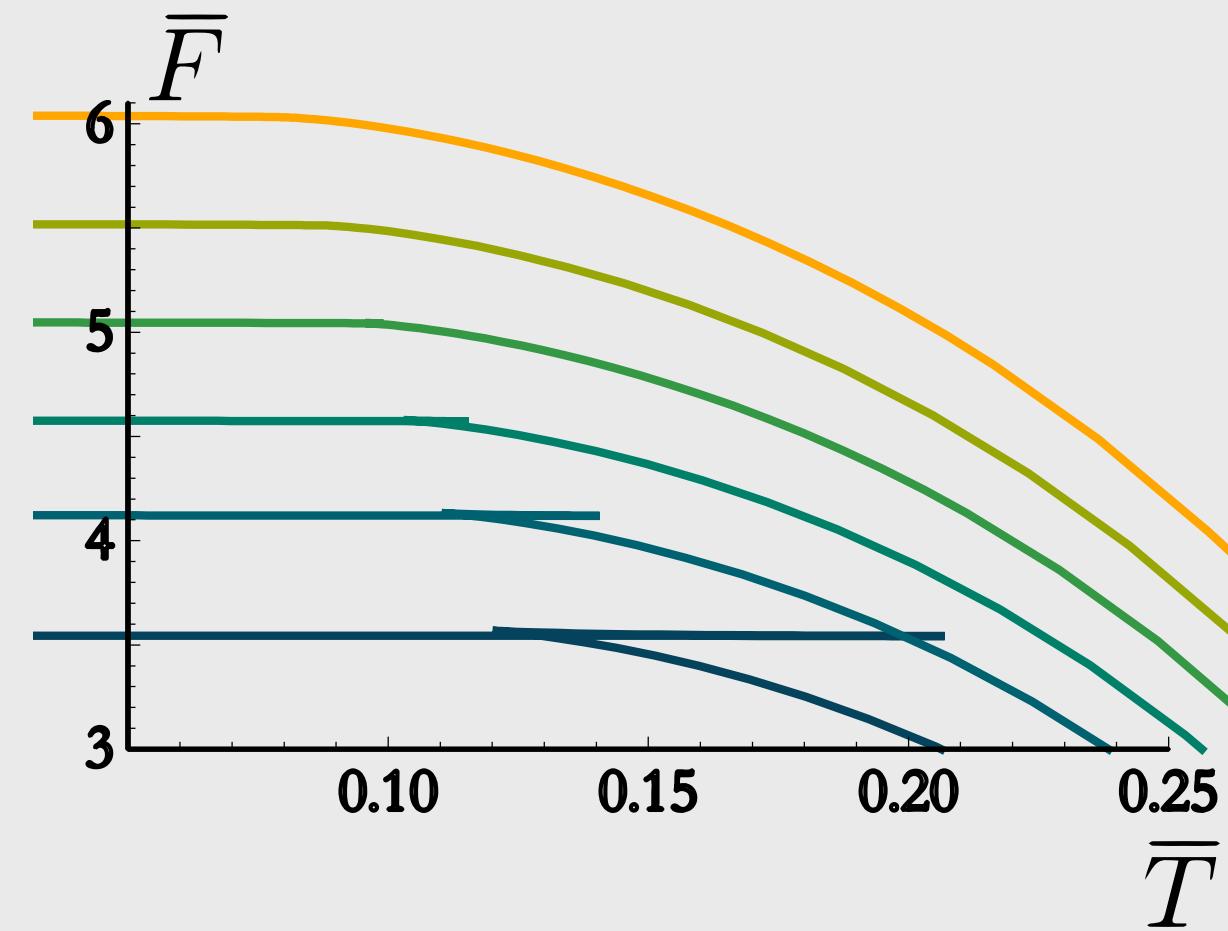


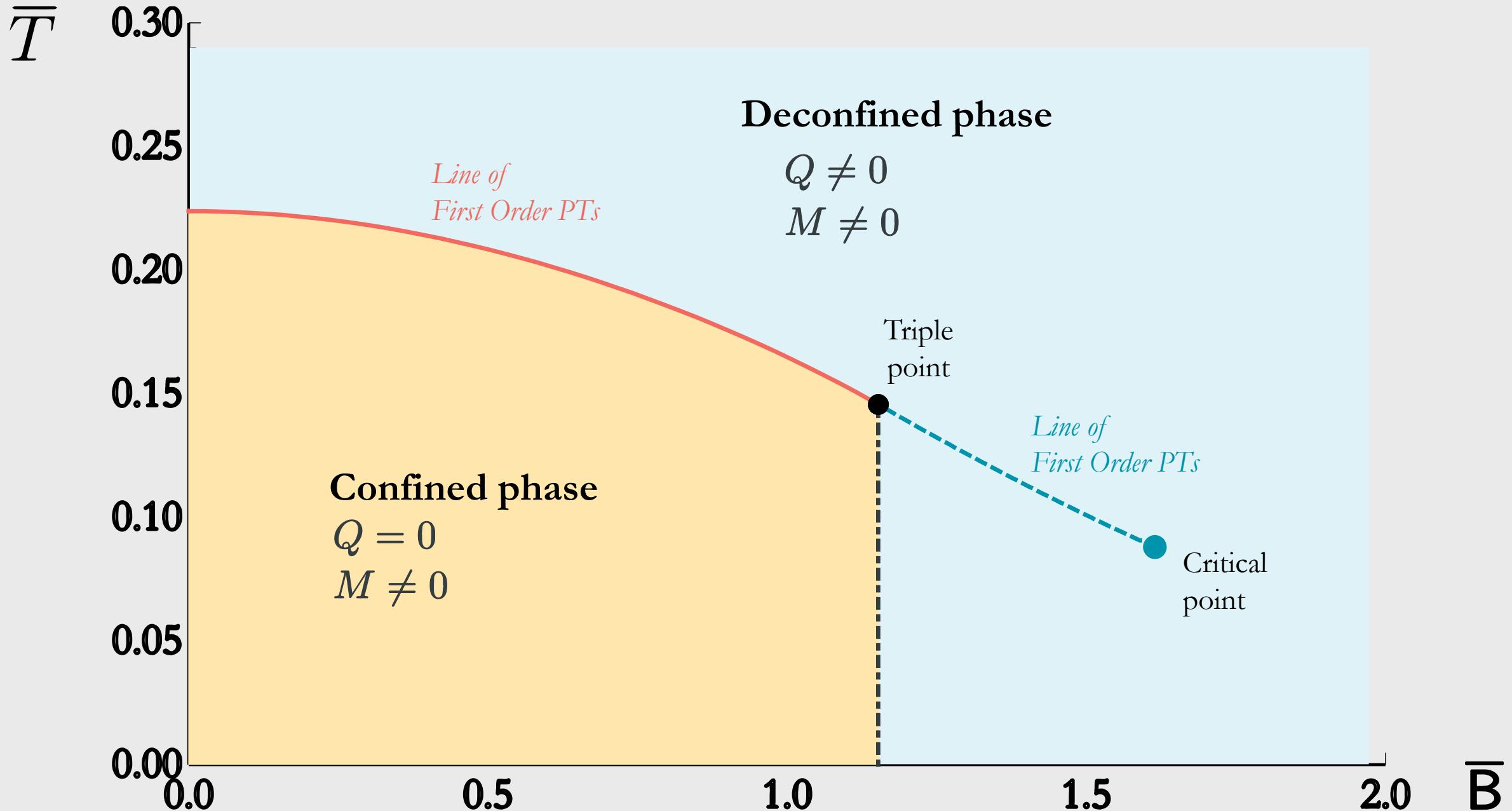
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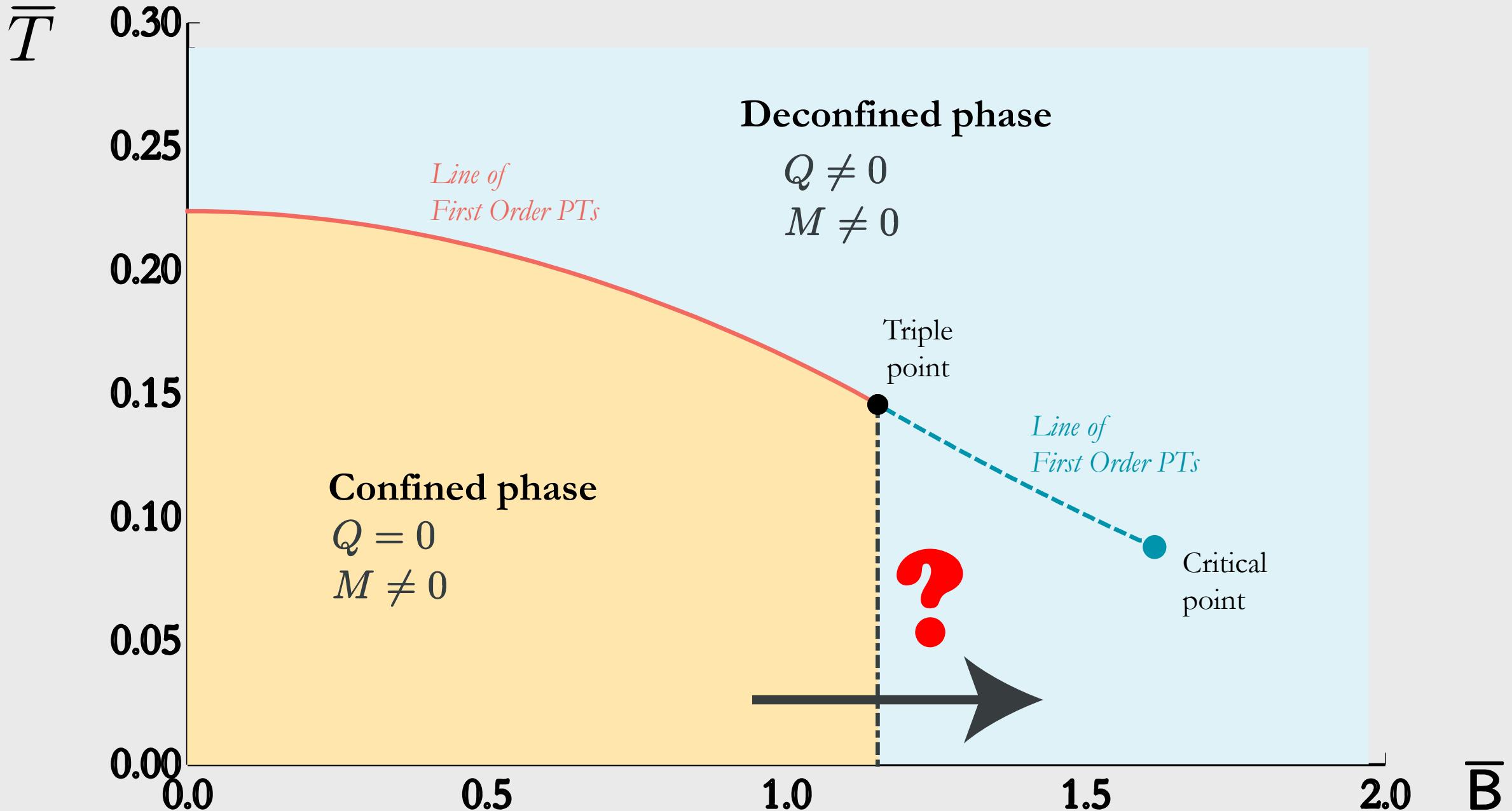




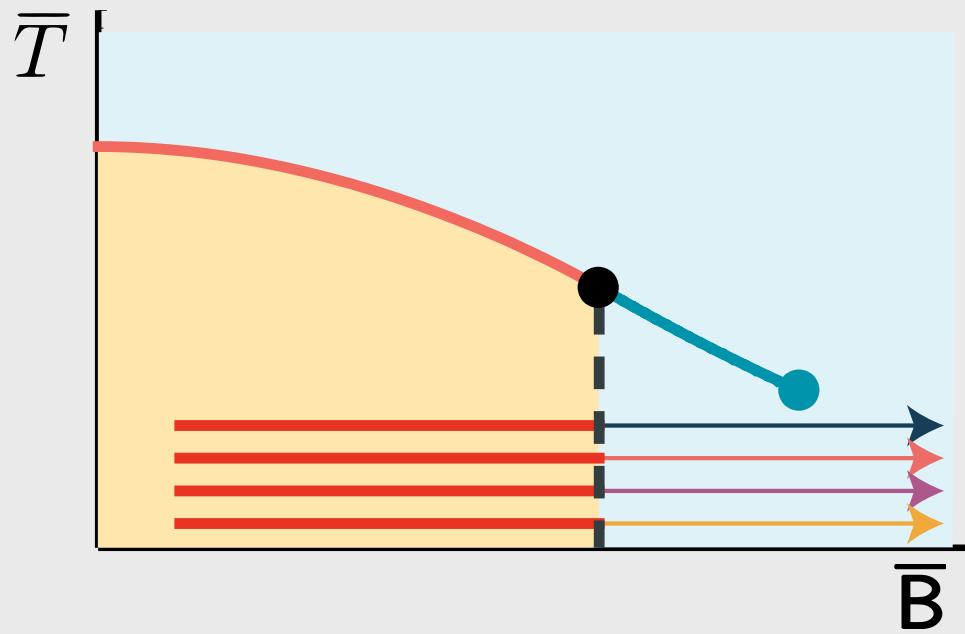
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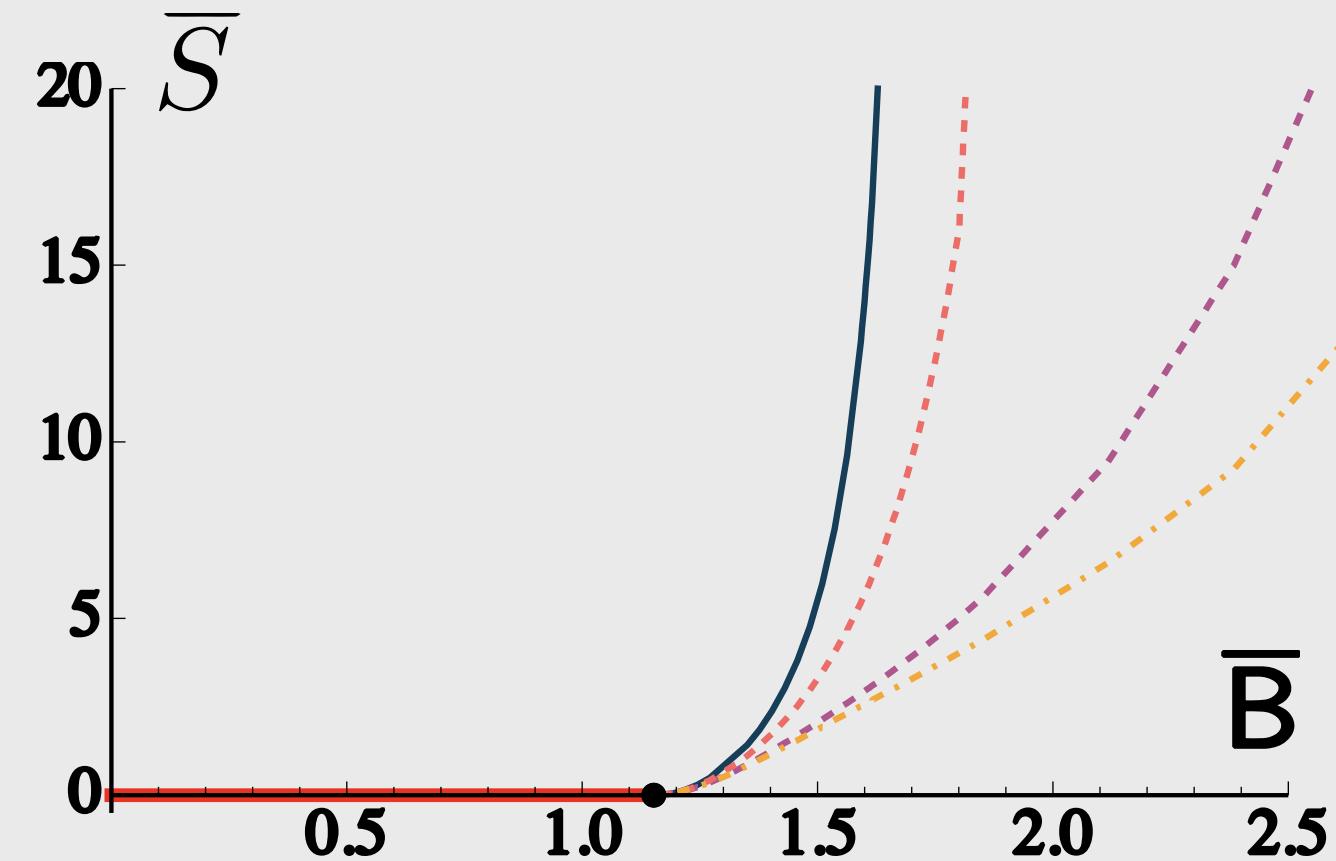
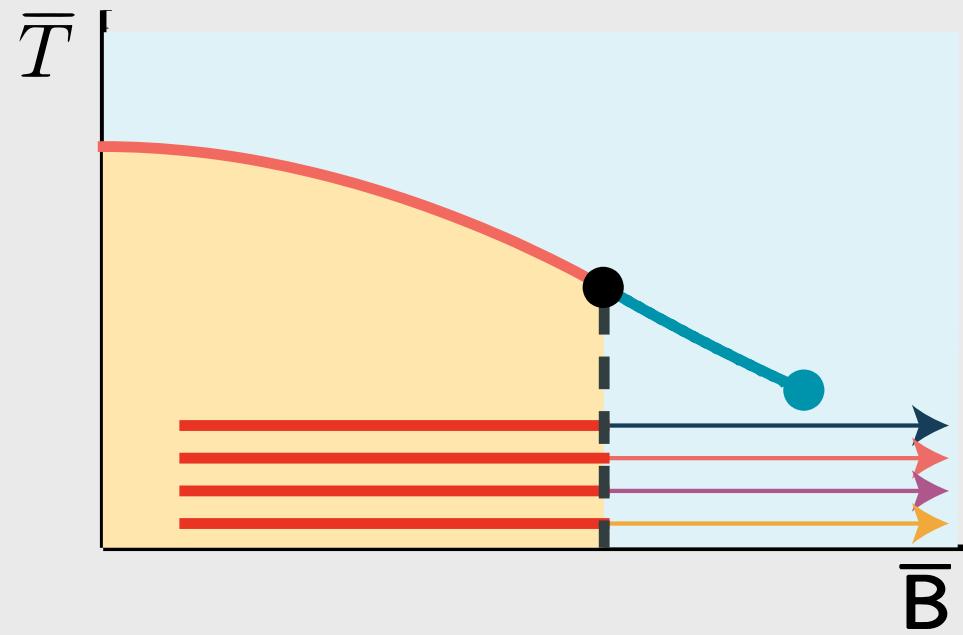




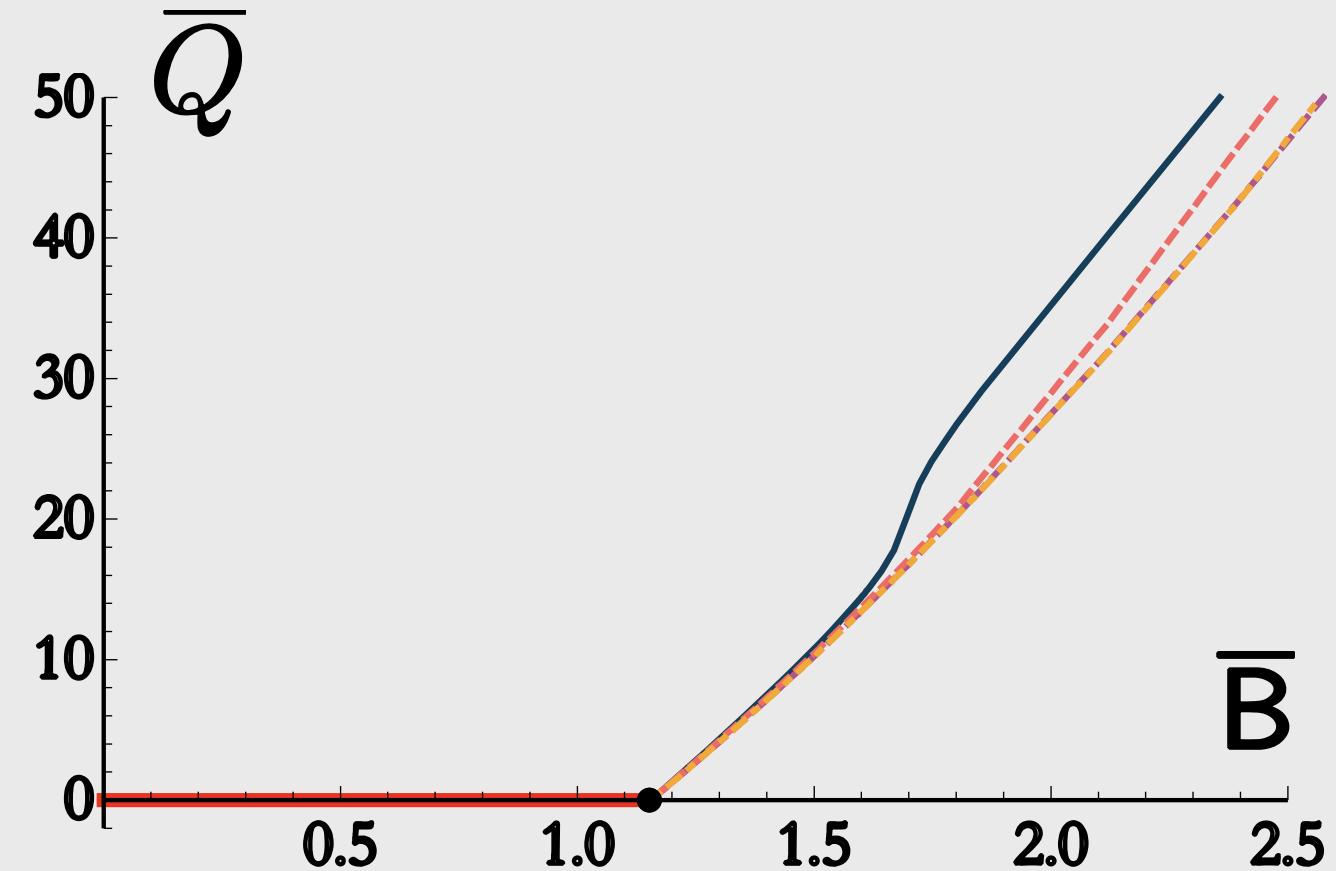
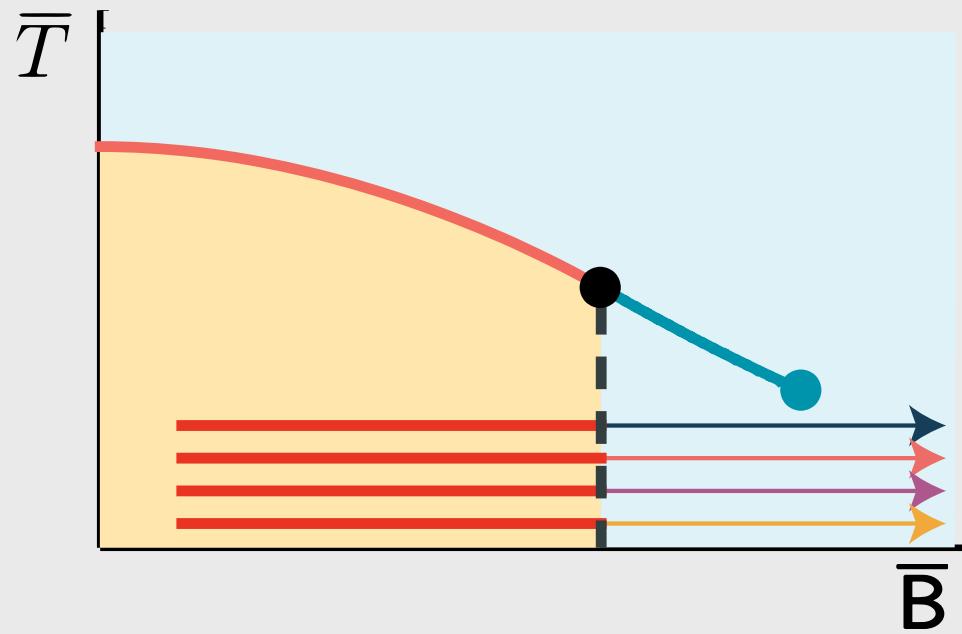
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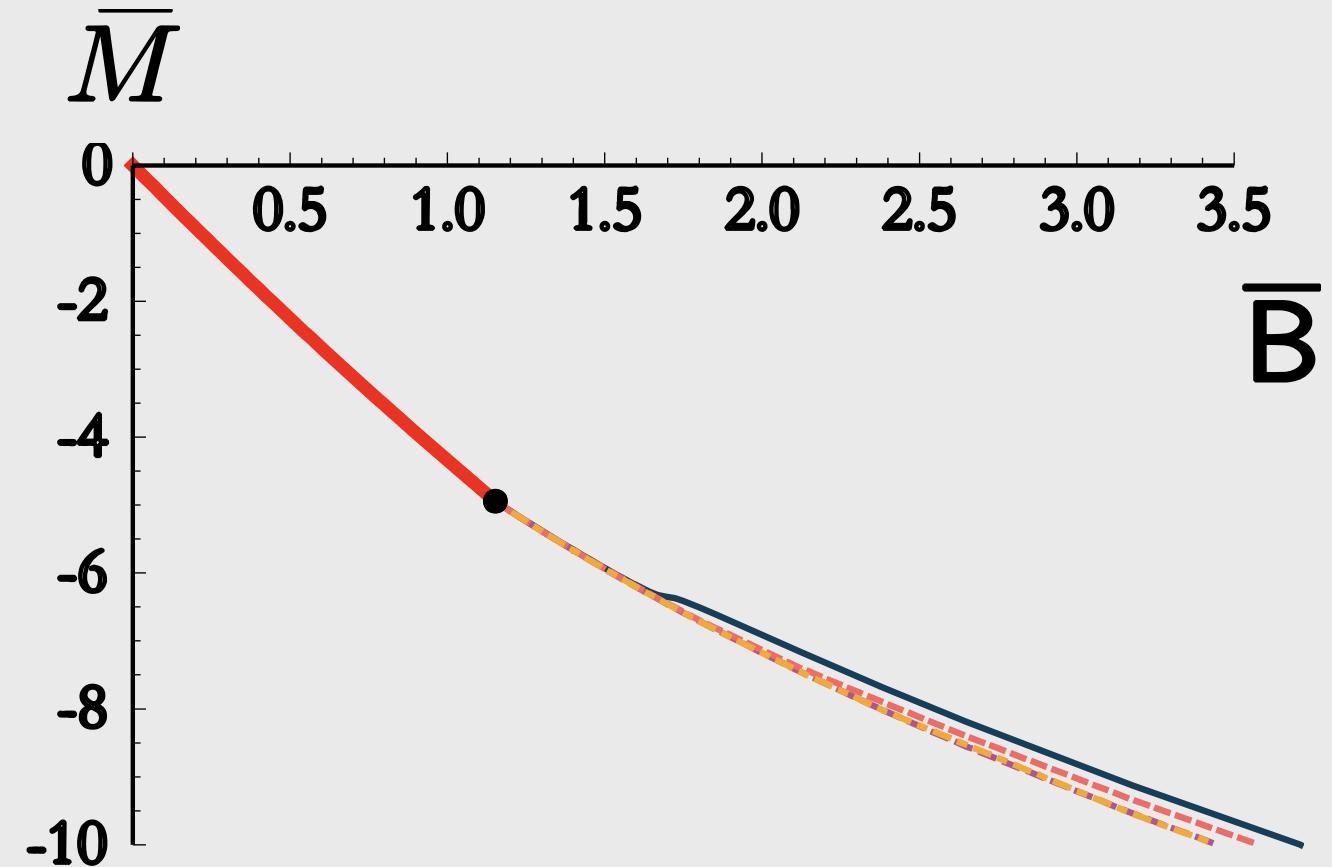
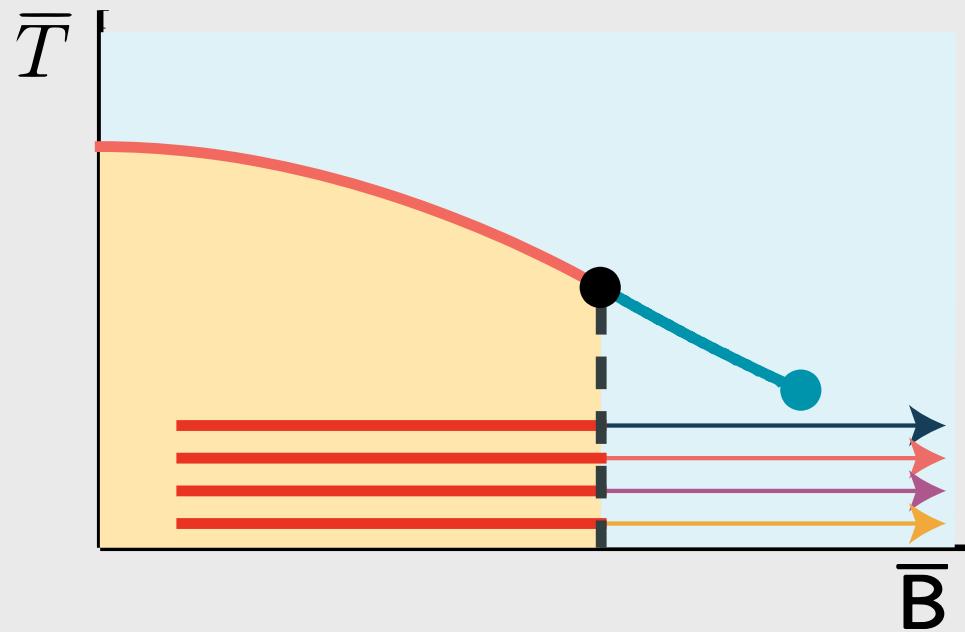
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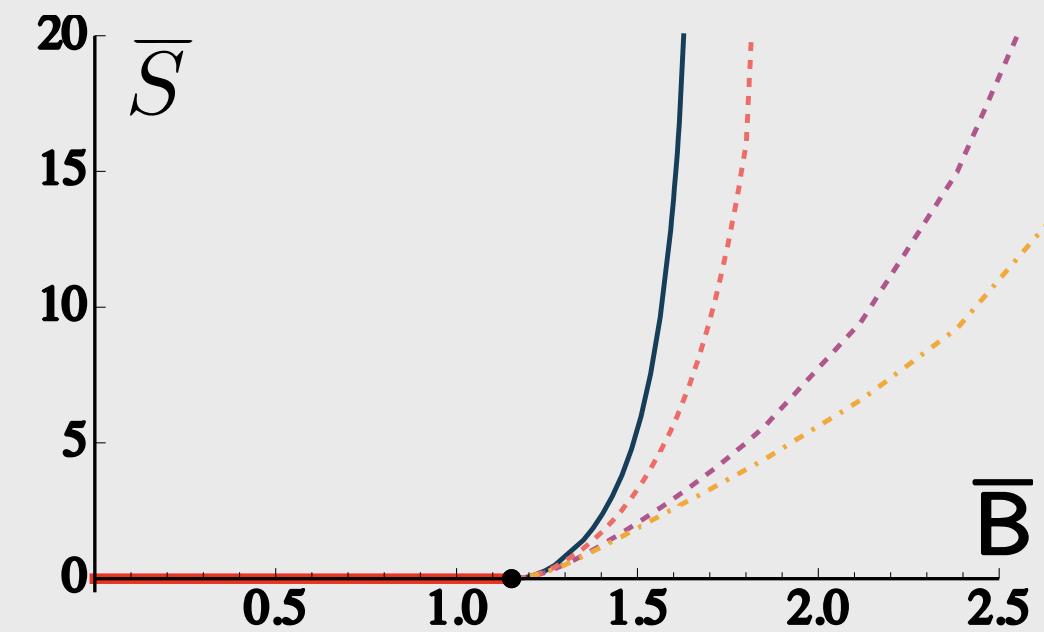
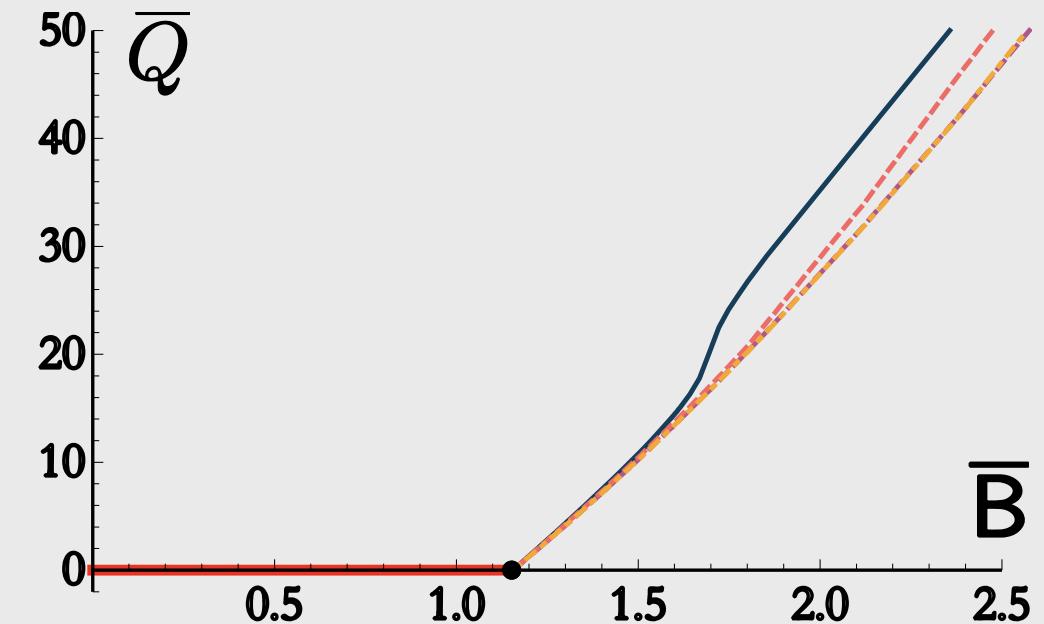
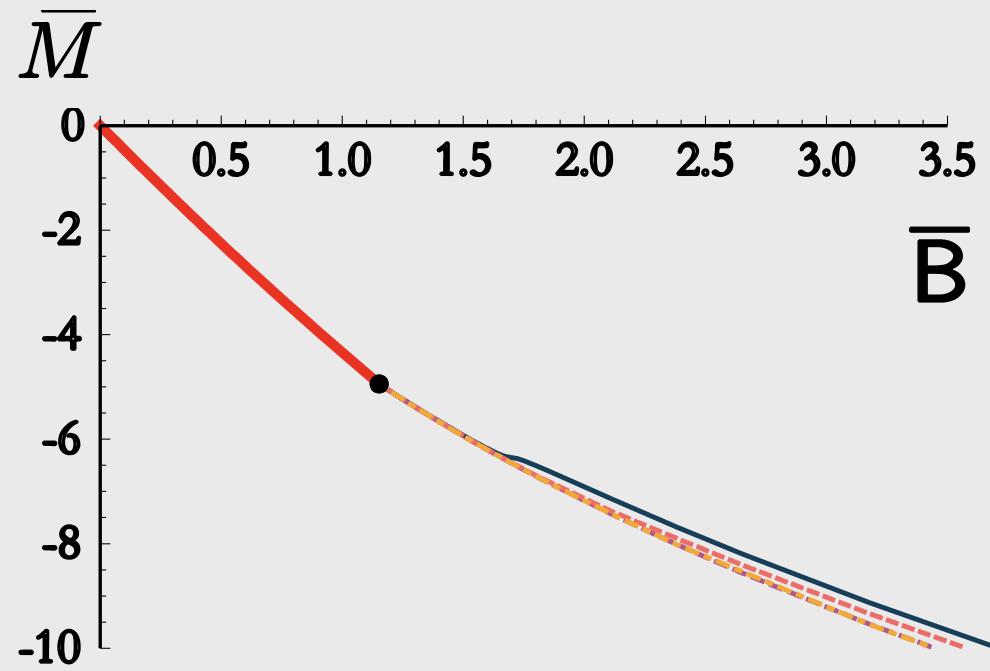
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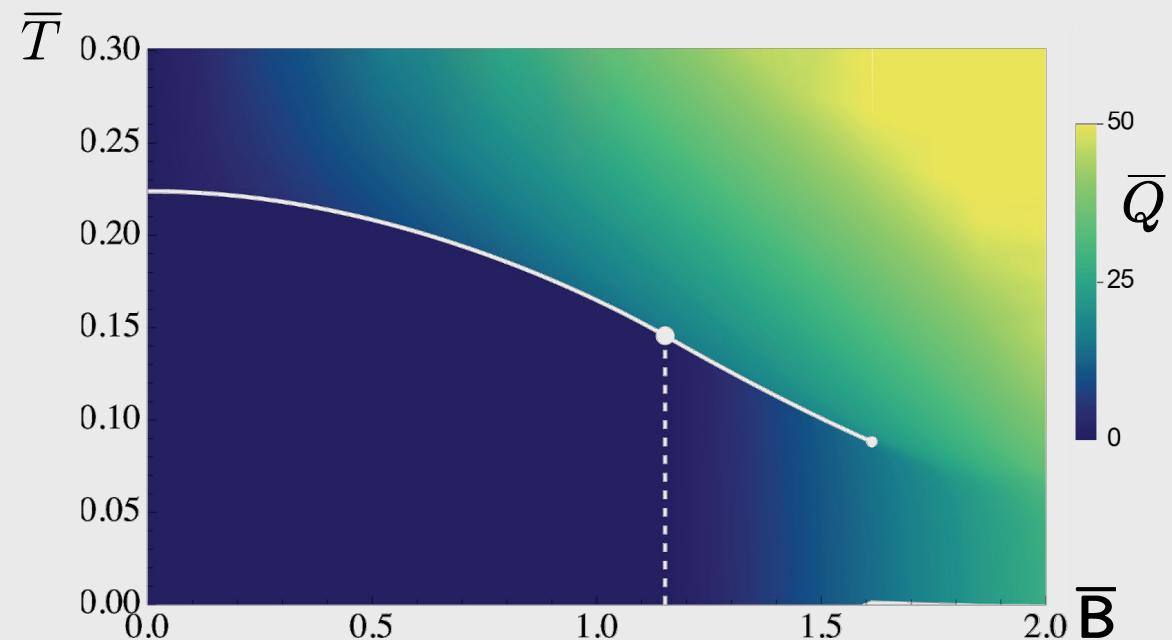
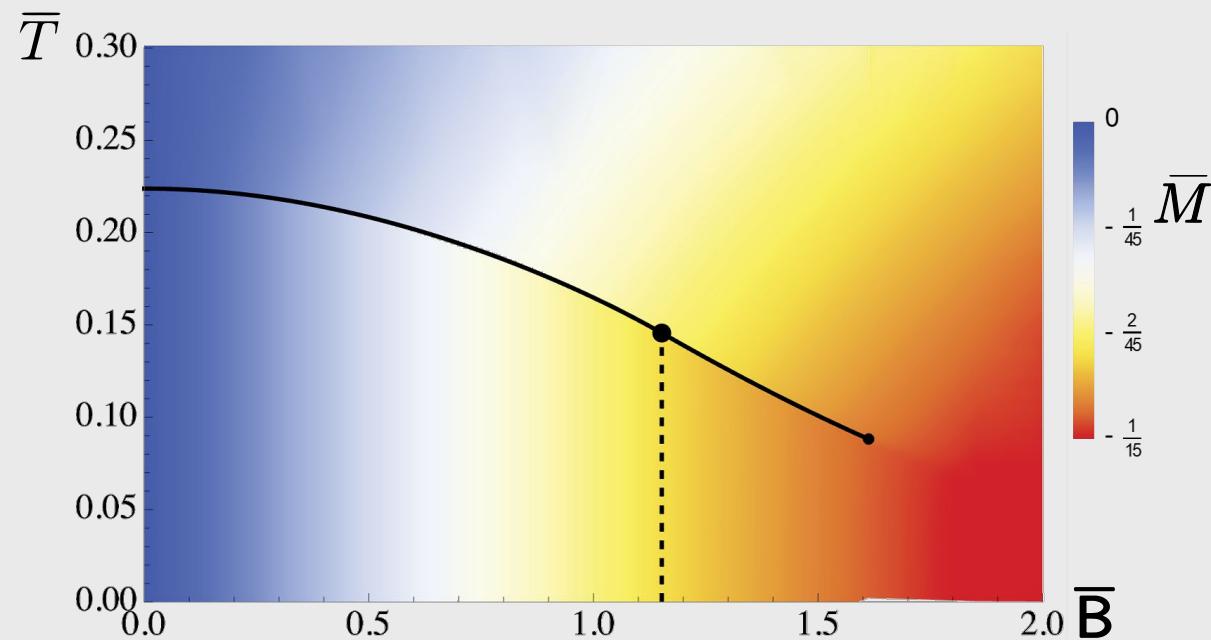
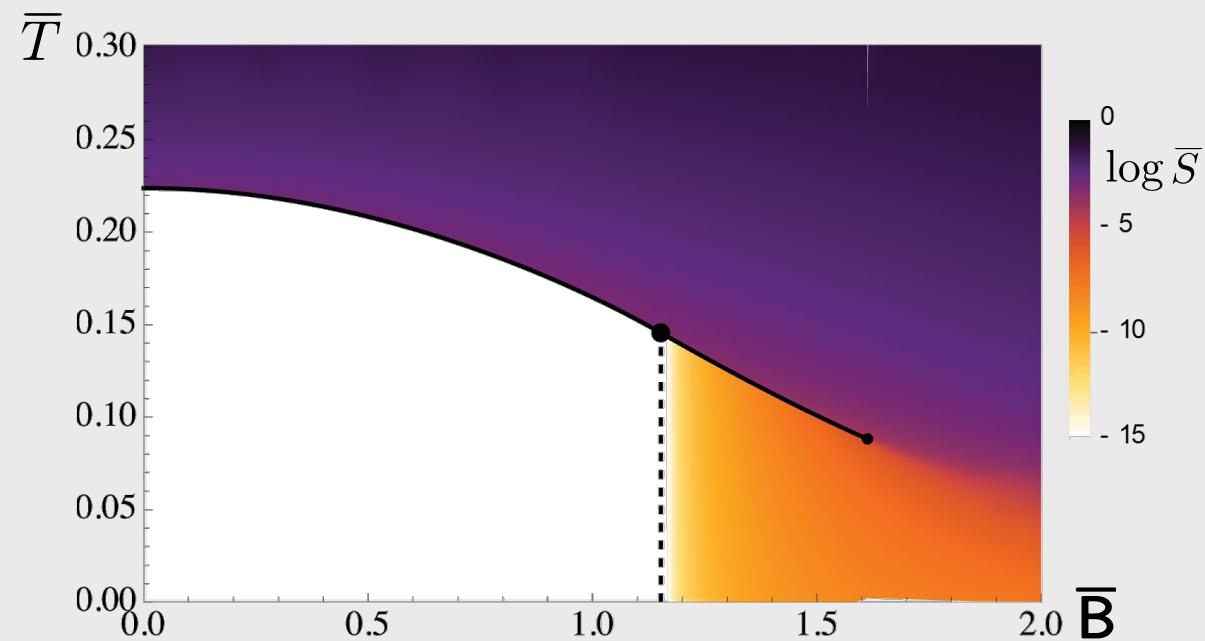
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We conclude that
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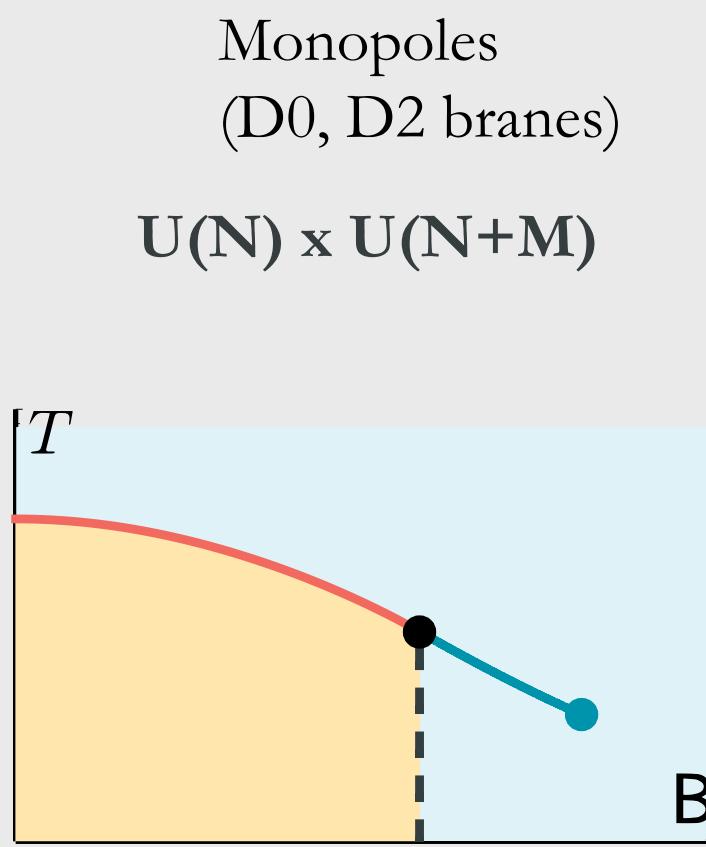
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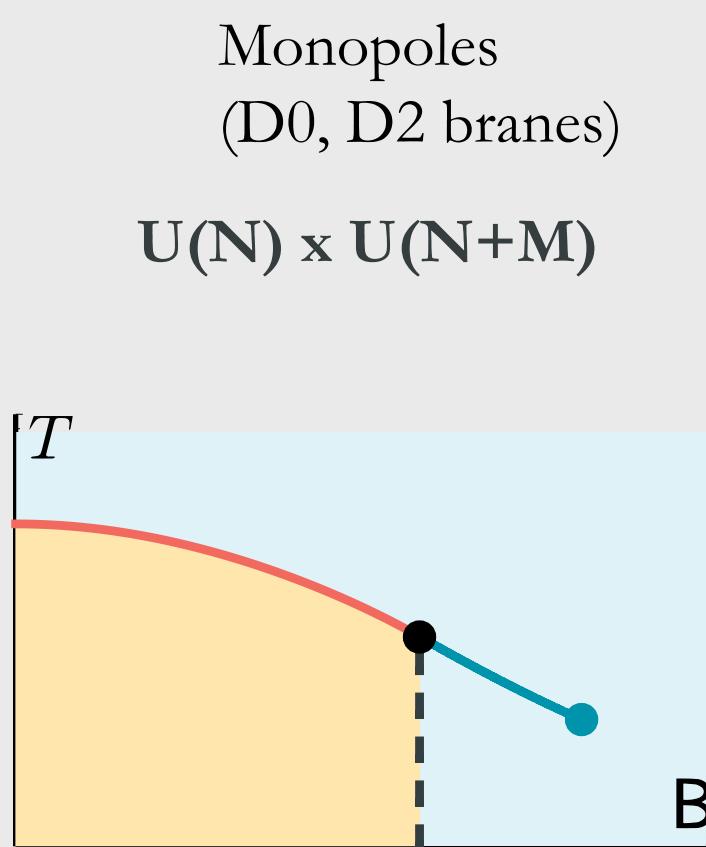
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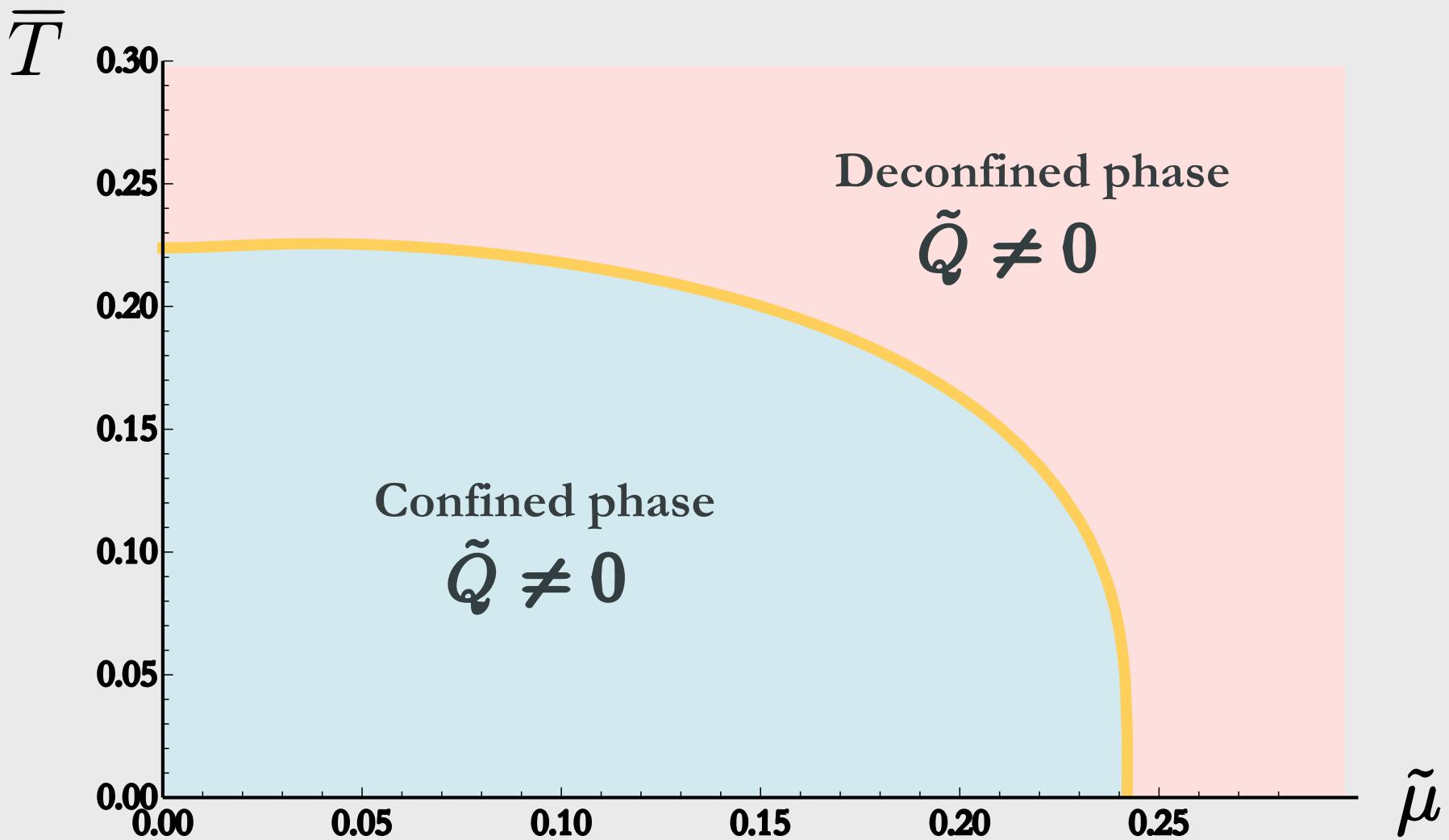


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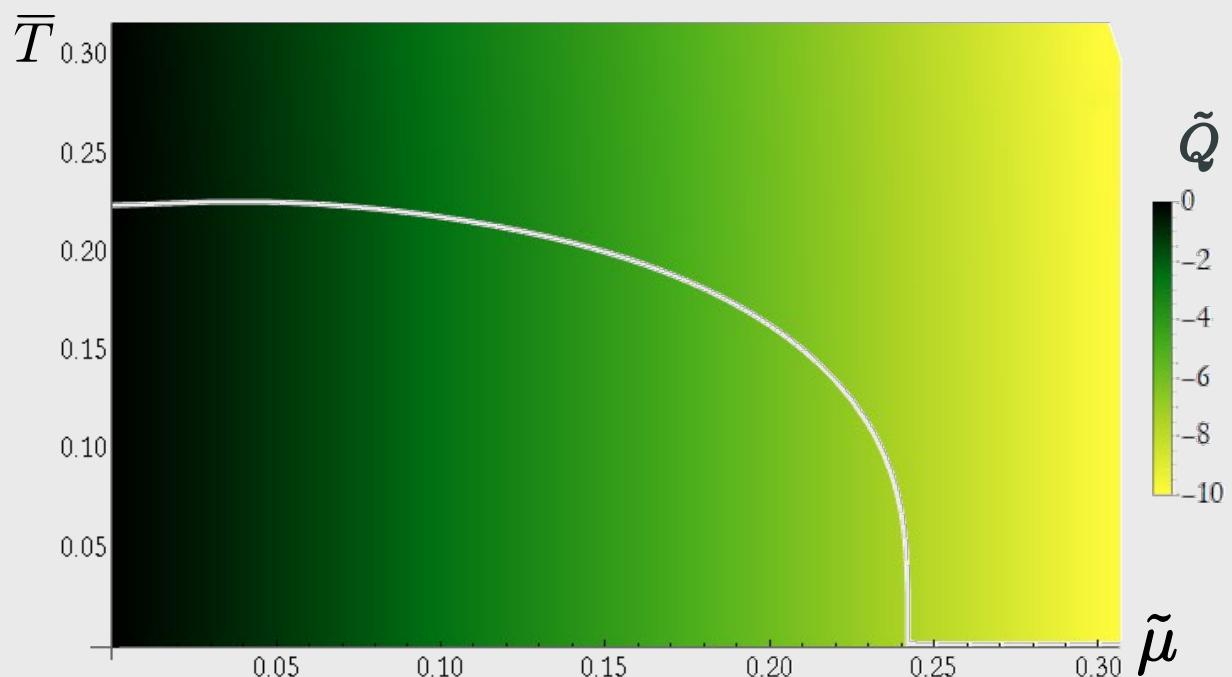
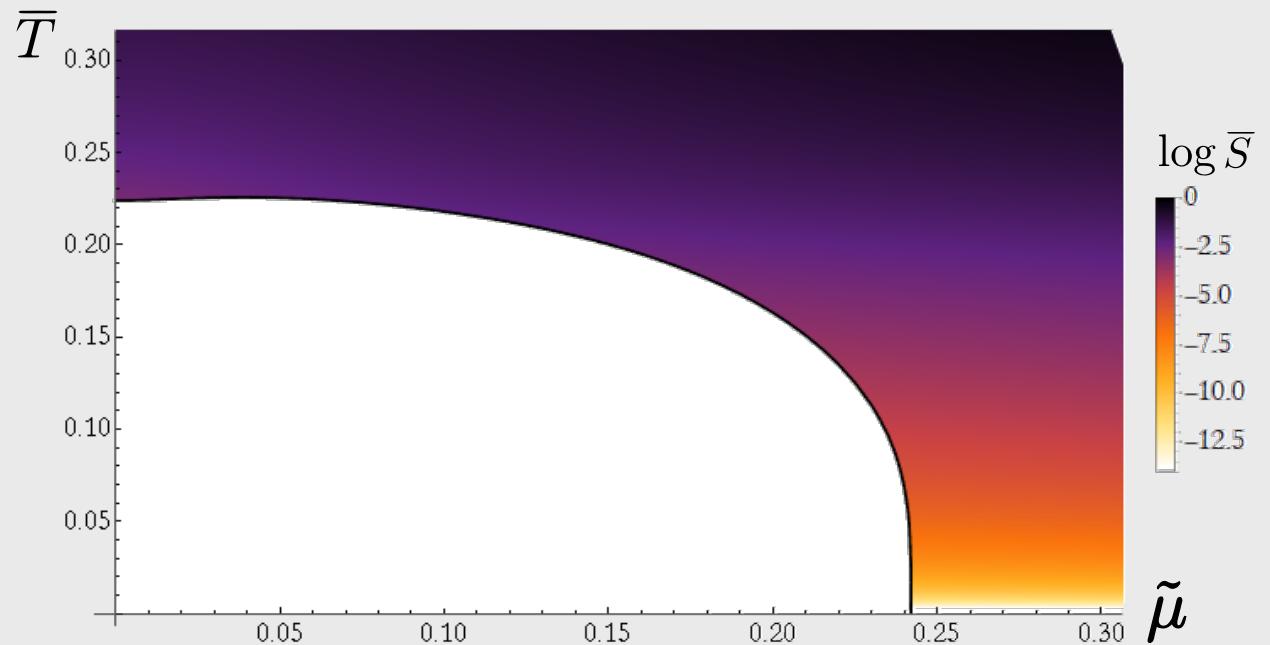
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(D6, D4 branes)

$SU(N) \times SU(N+M)$

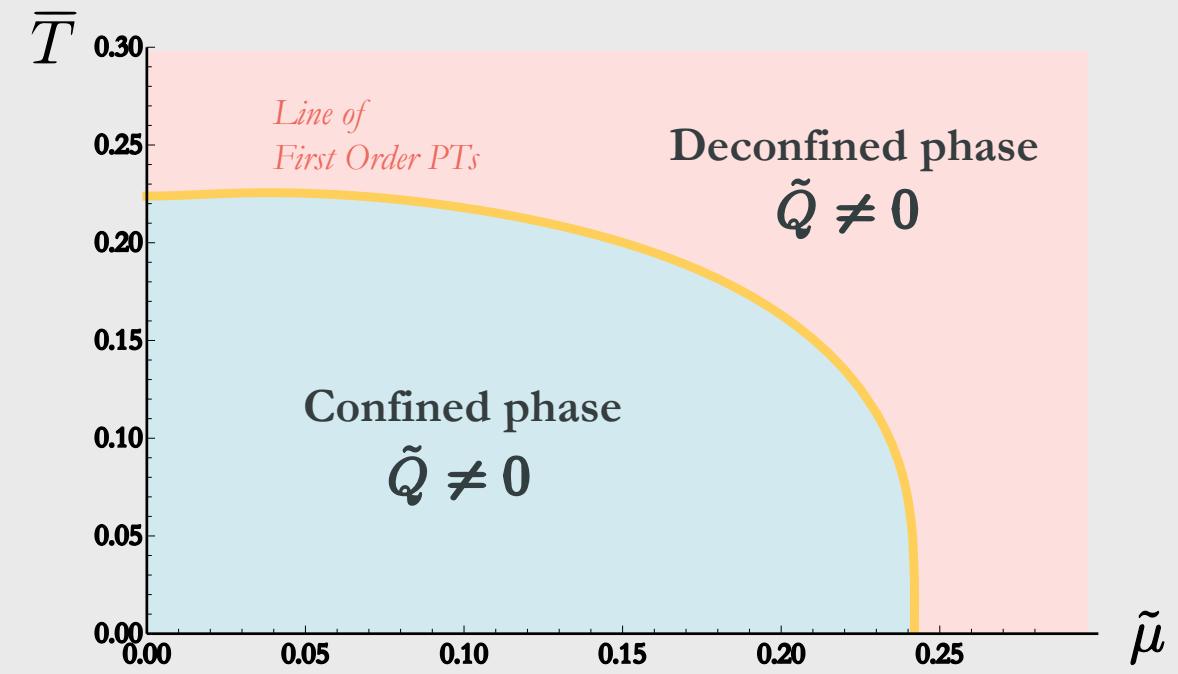
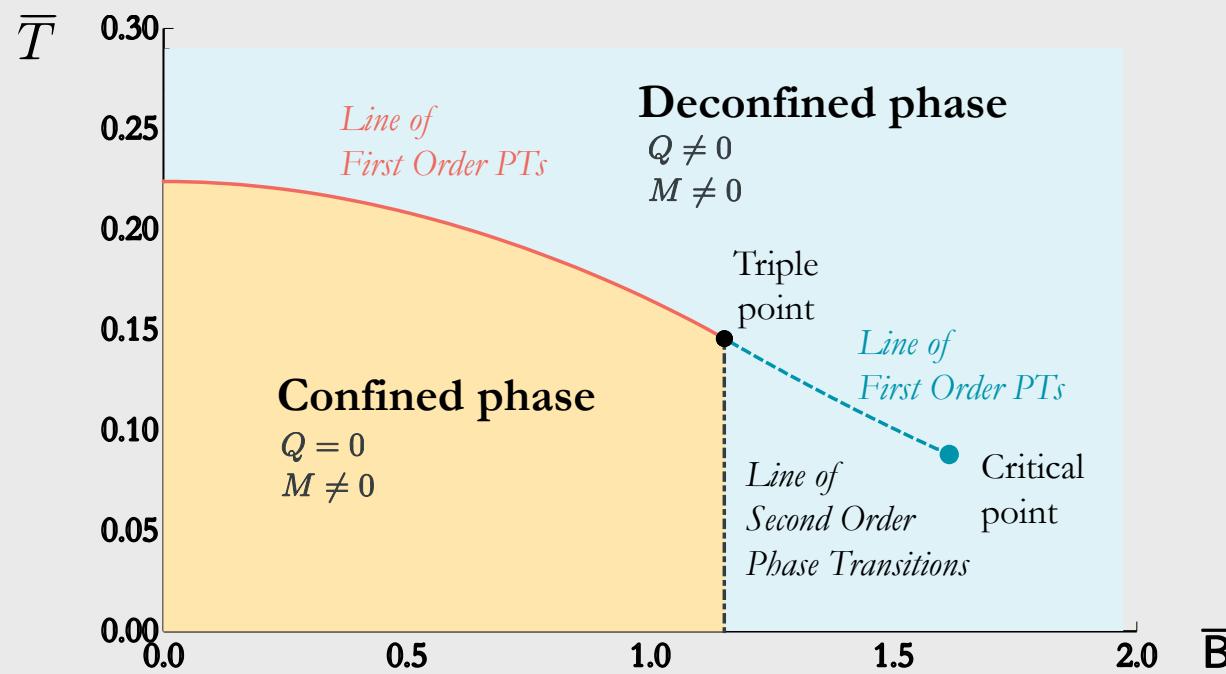


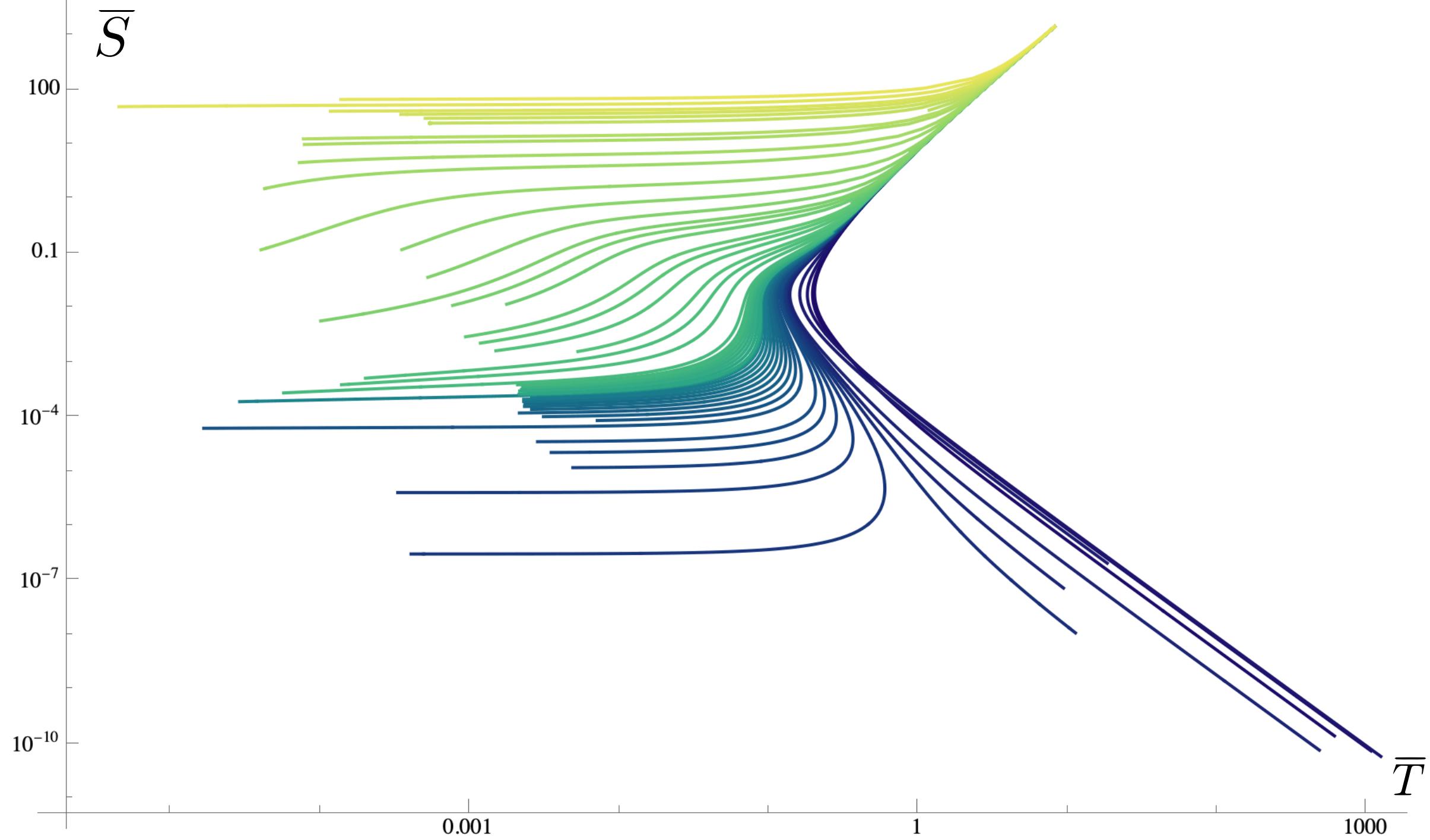


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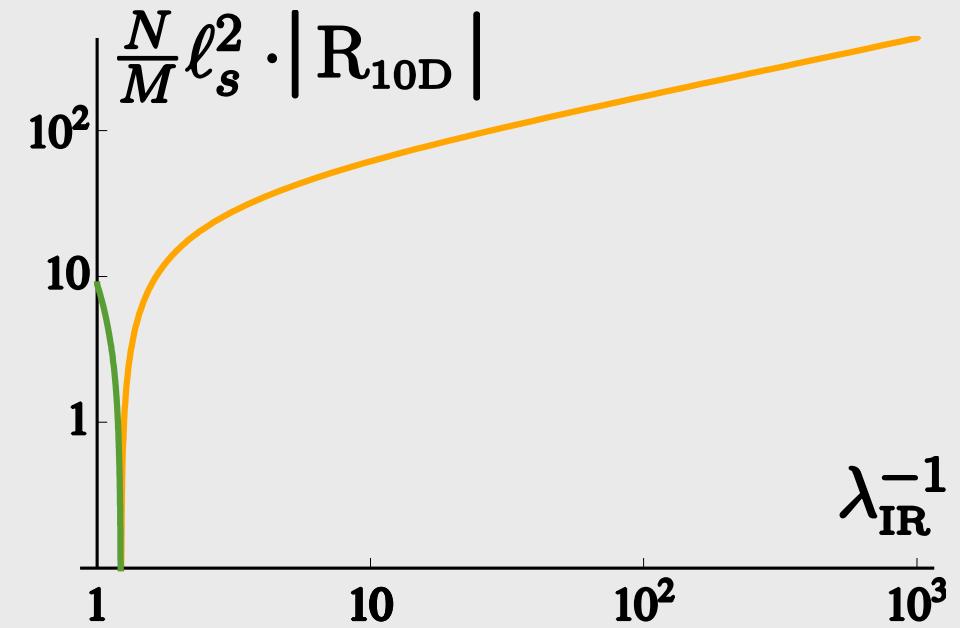


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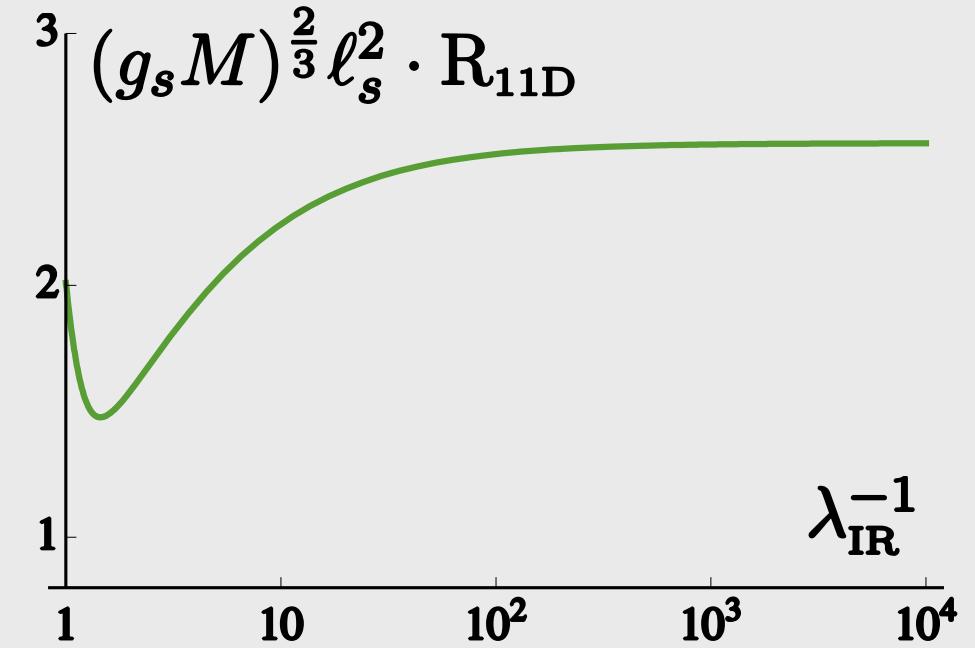
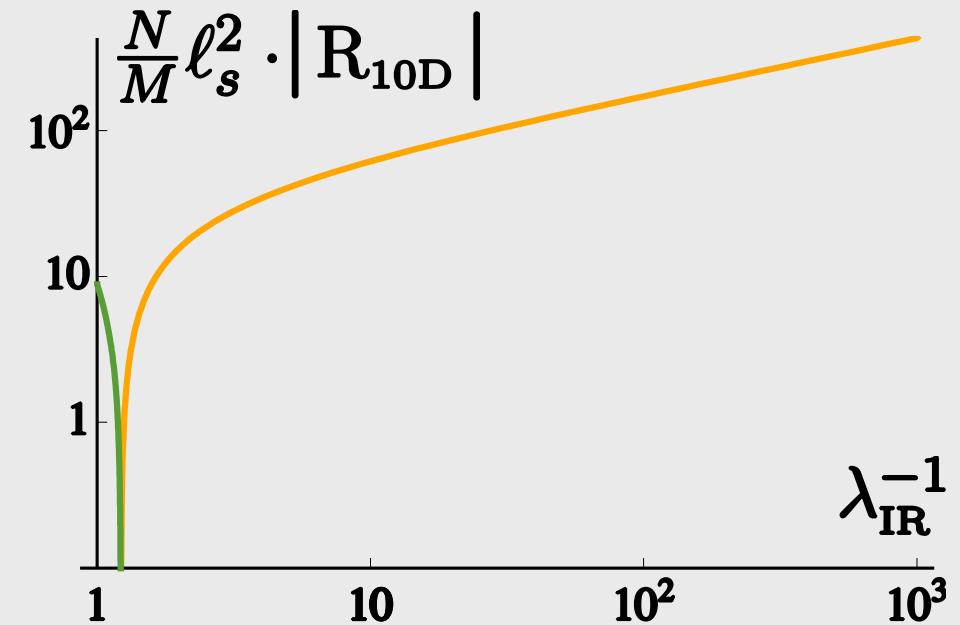
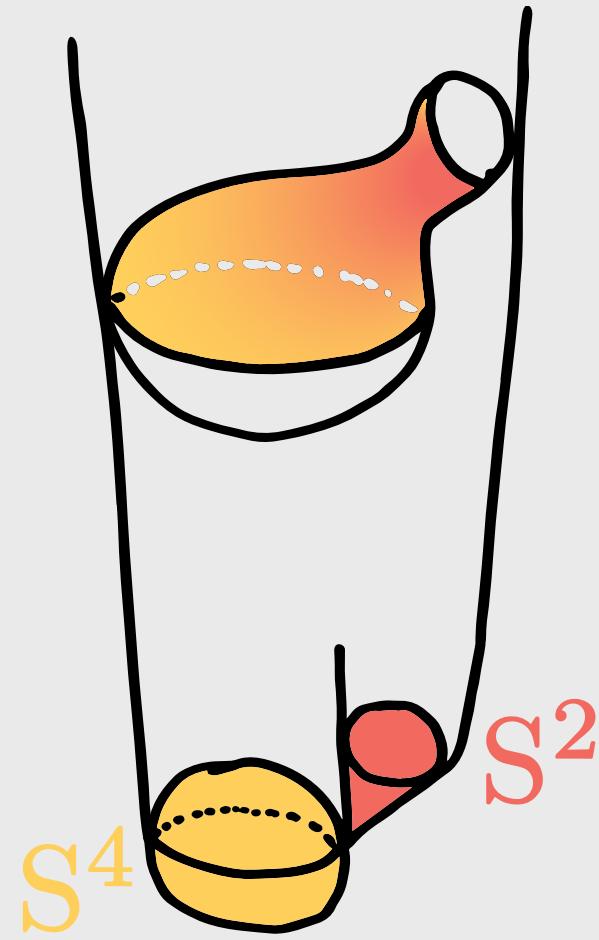




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