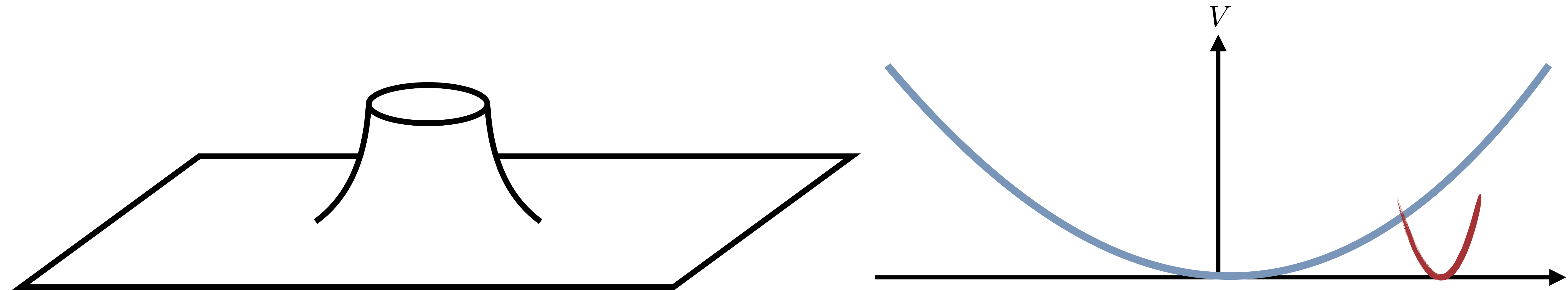


An Effective Approach for Axion Wormholes



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[R. D. Peccei, H. R. Quinn, (1977)]

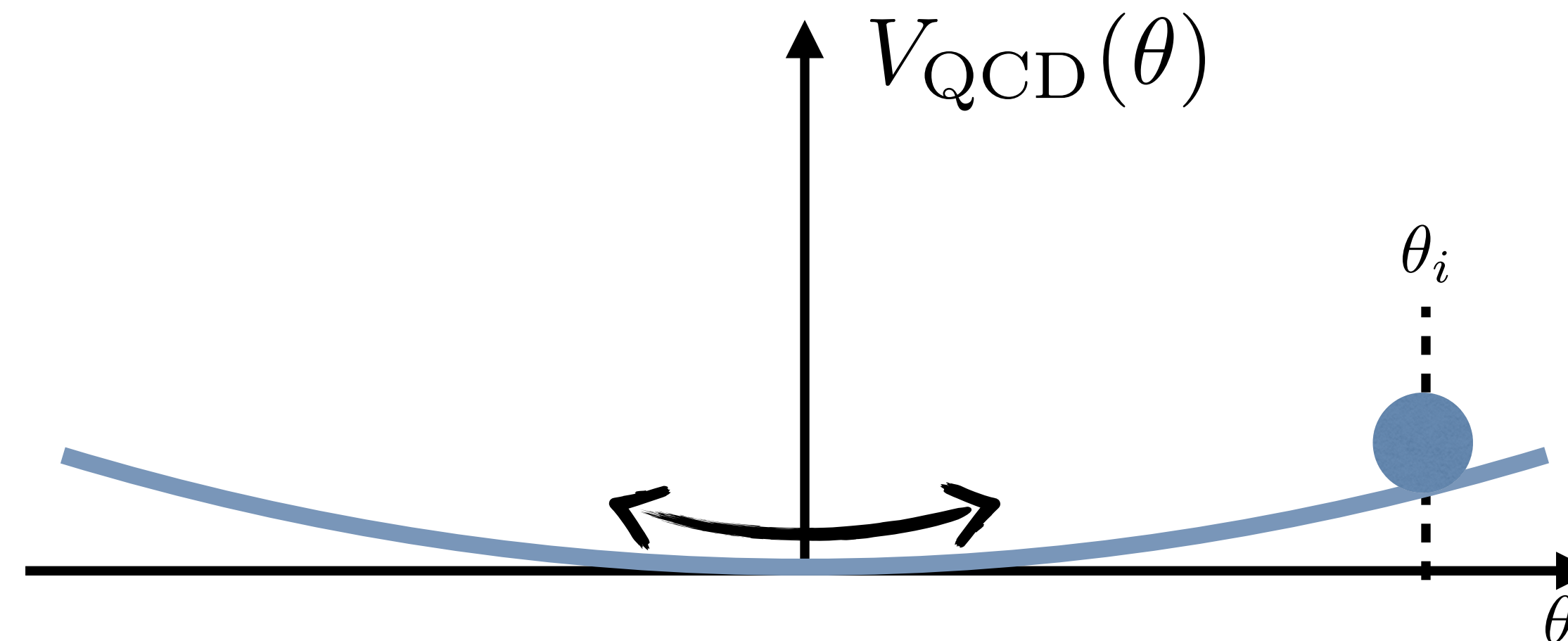
[F. Wilczek, (1978)]

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[J. E. Kim, (1979)] ...

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Axions : “*Dark Matter Candidate*”



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e.g [Snowmass 2021] ...

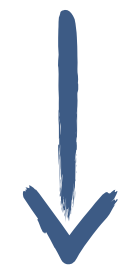
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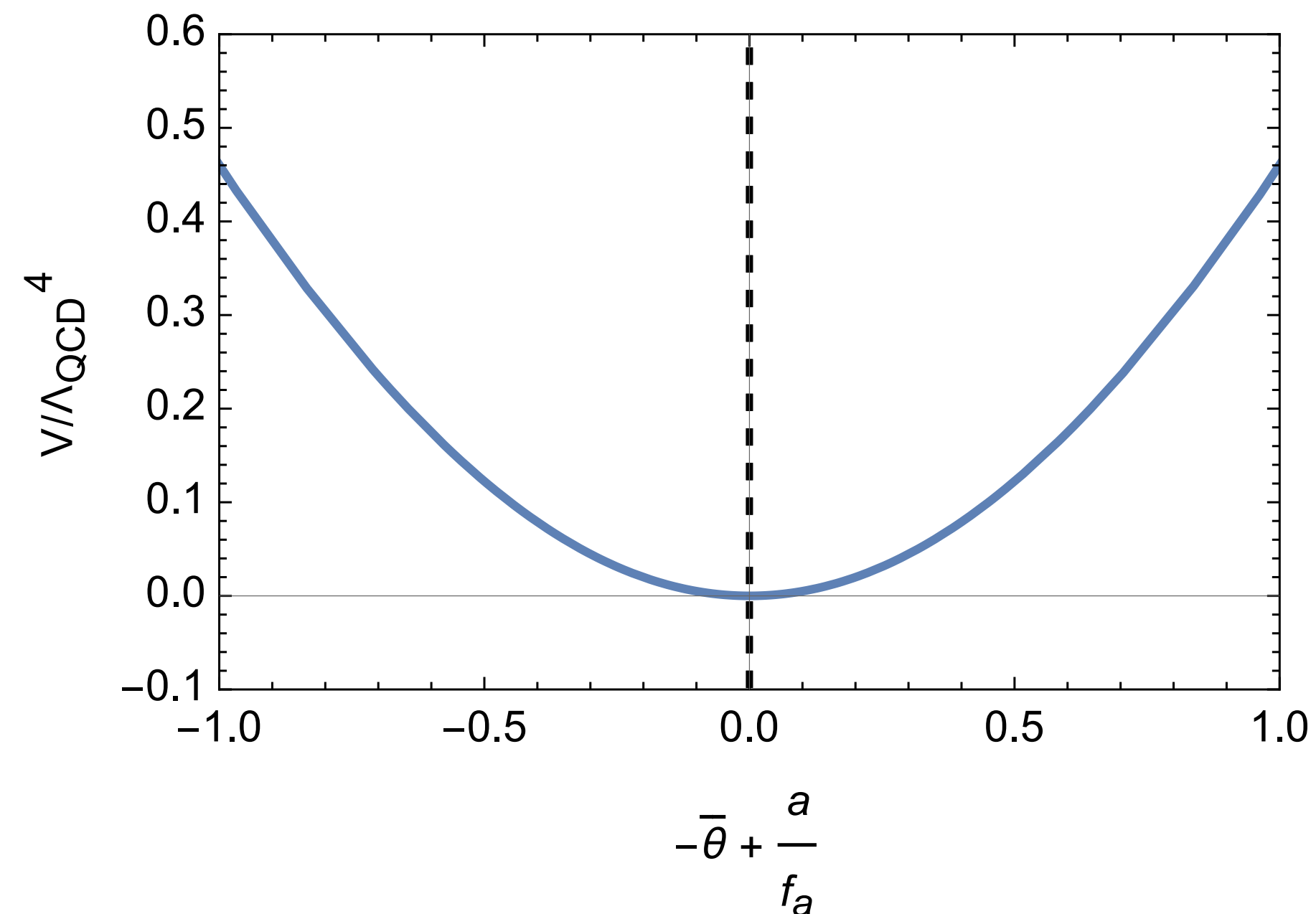
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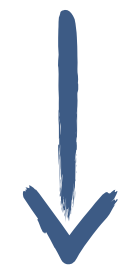
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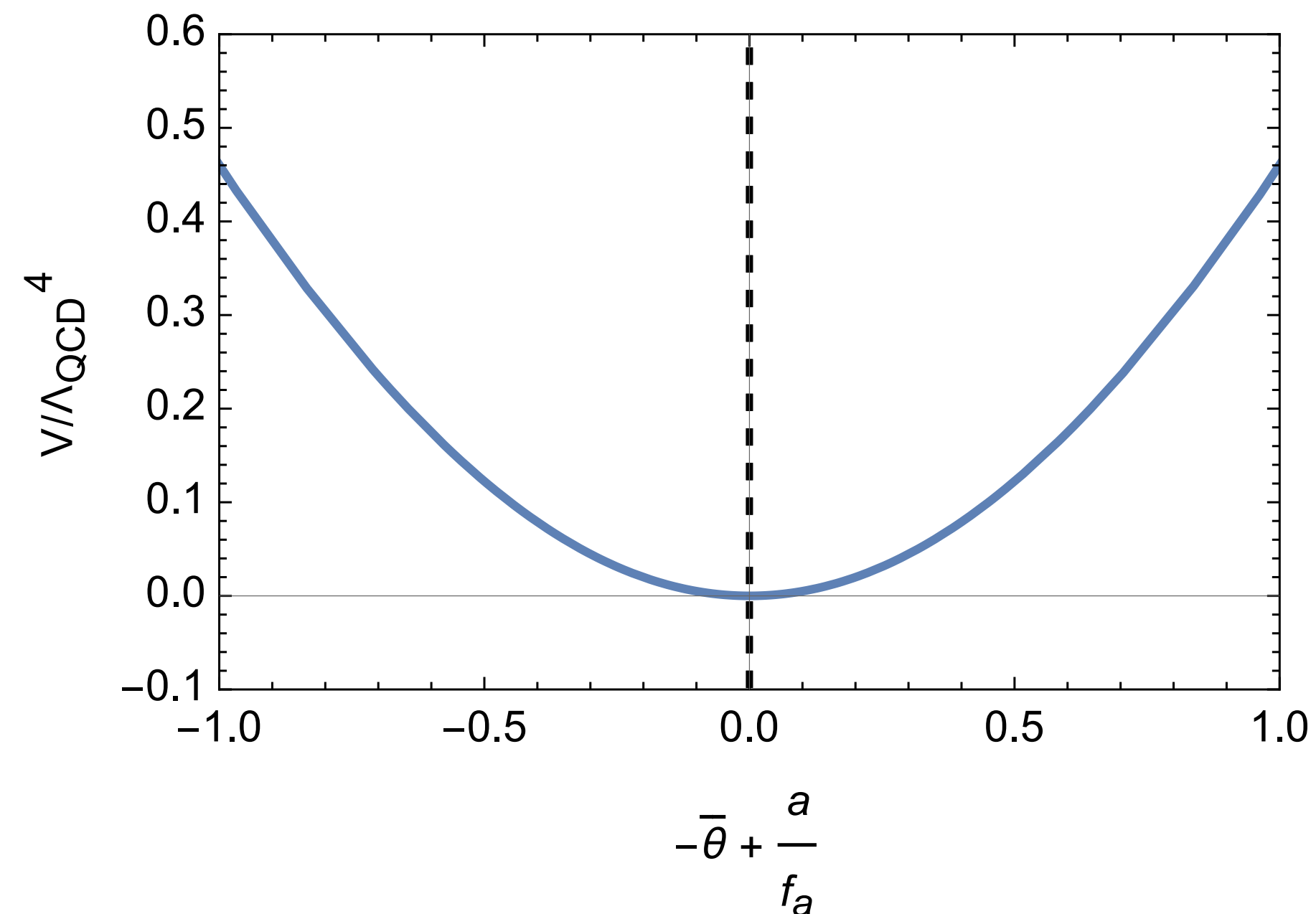
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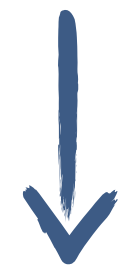


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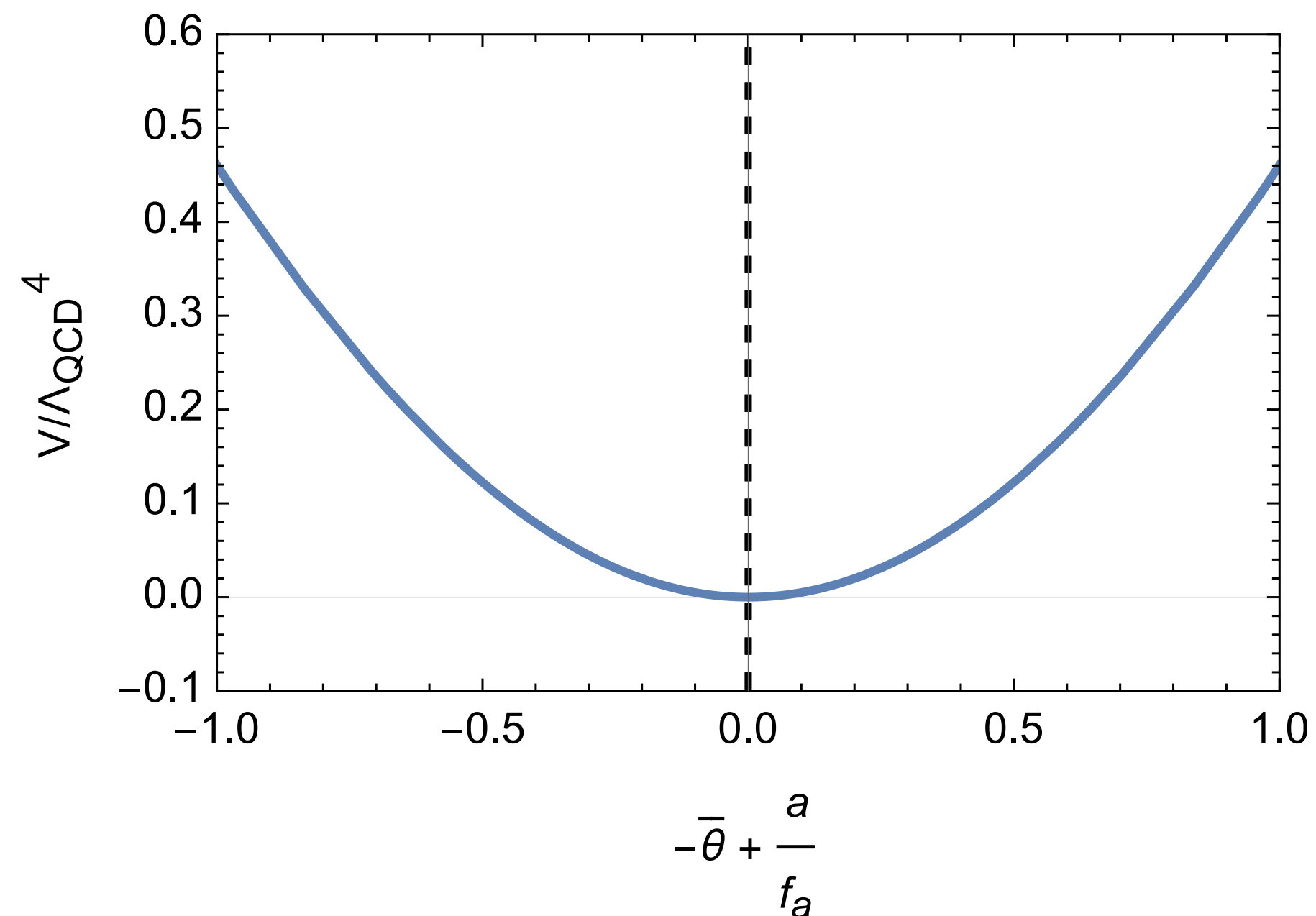
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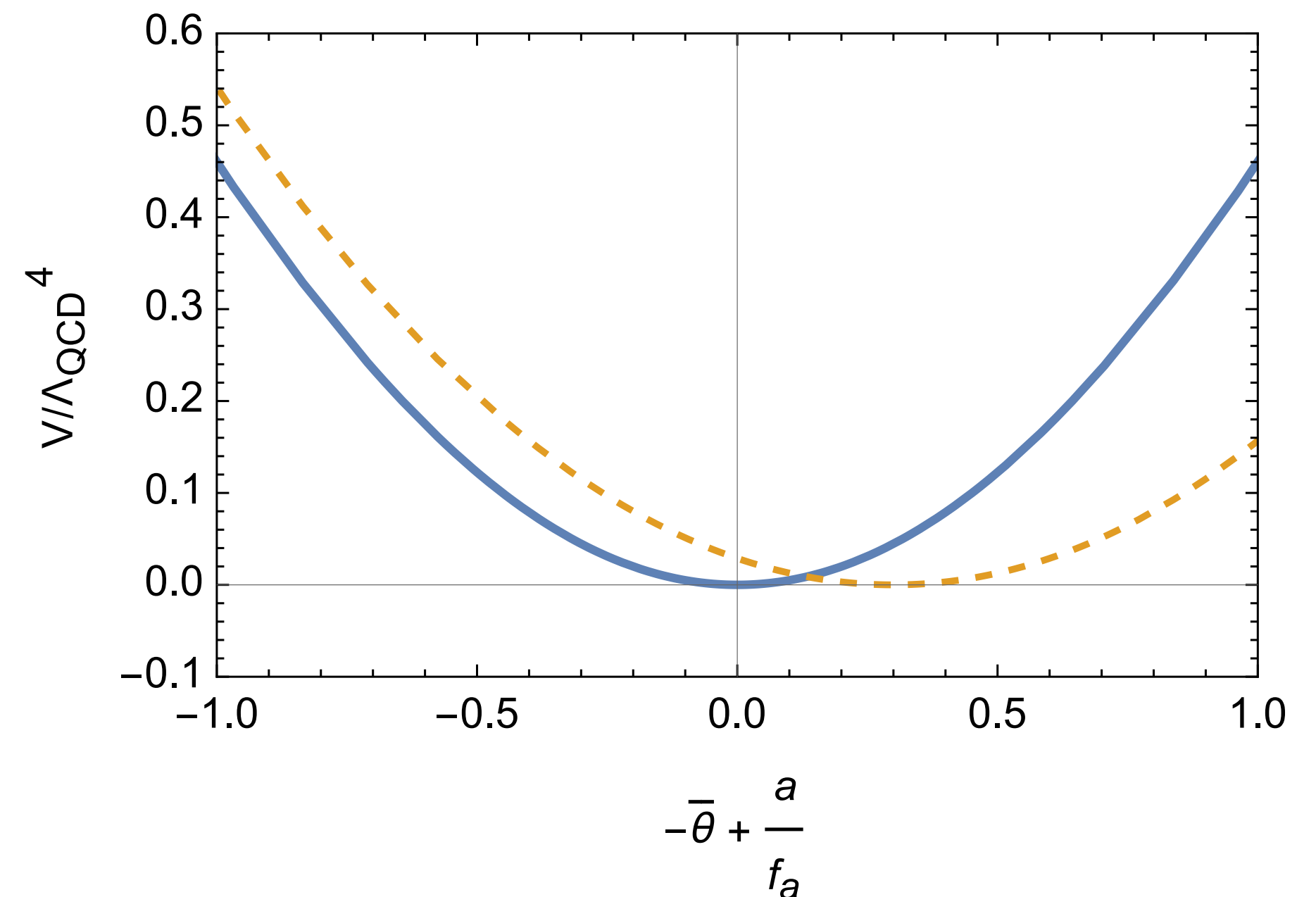
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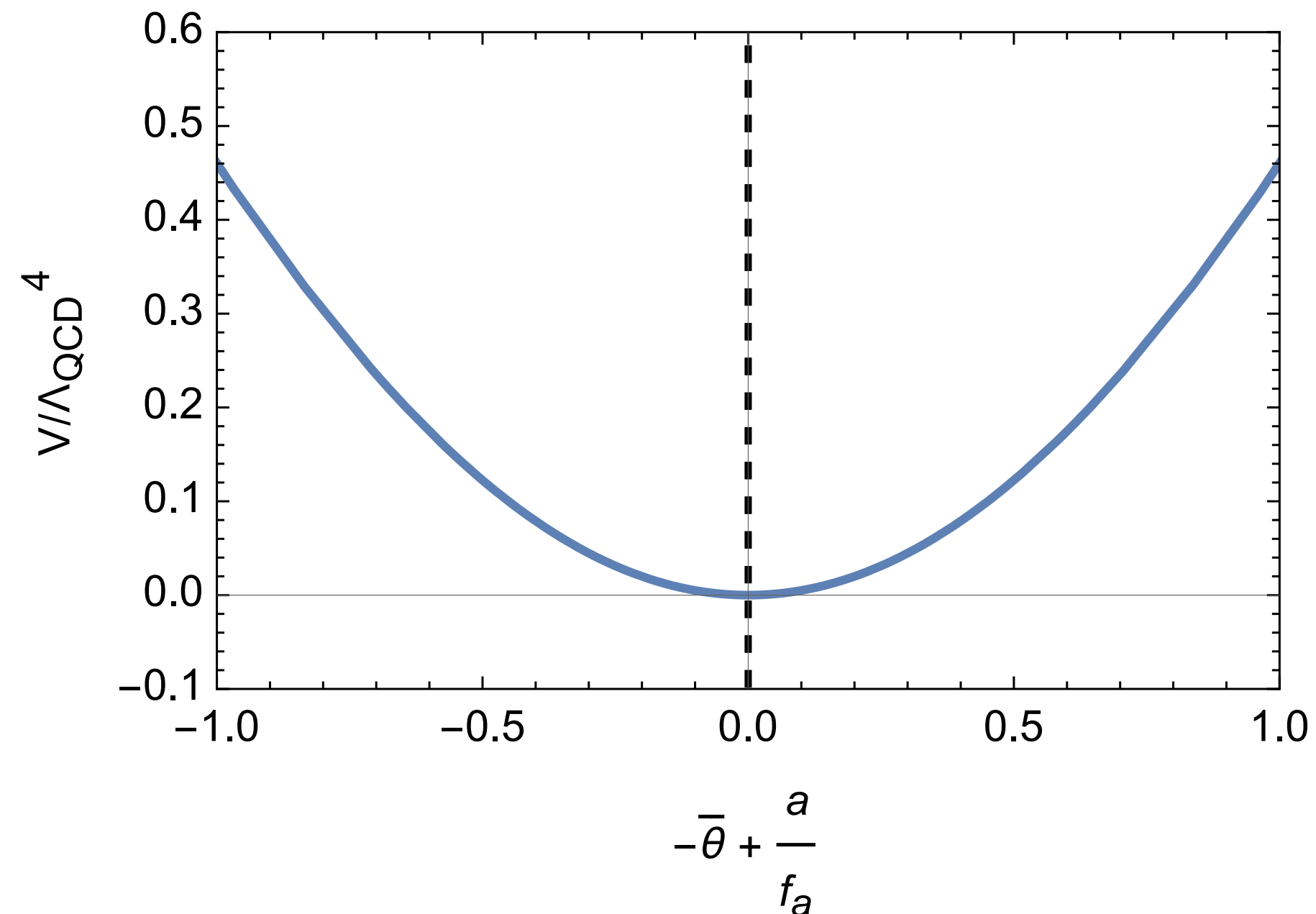
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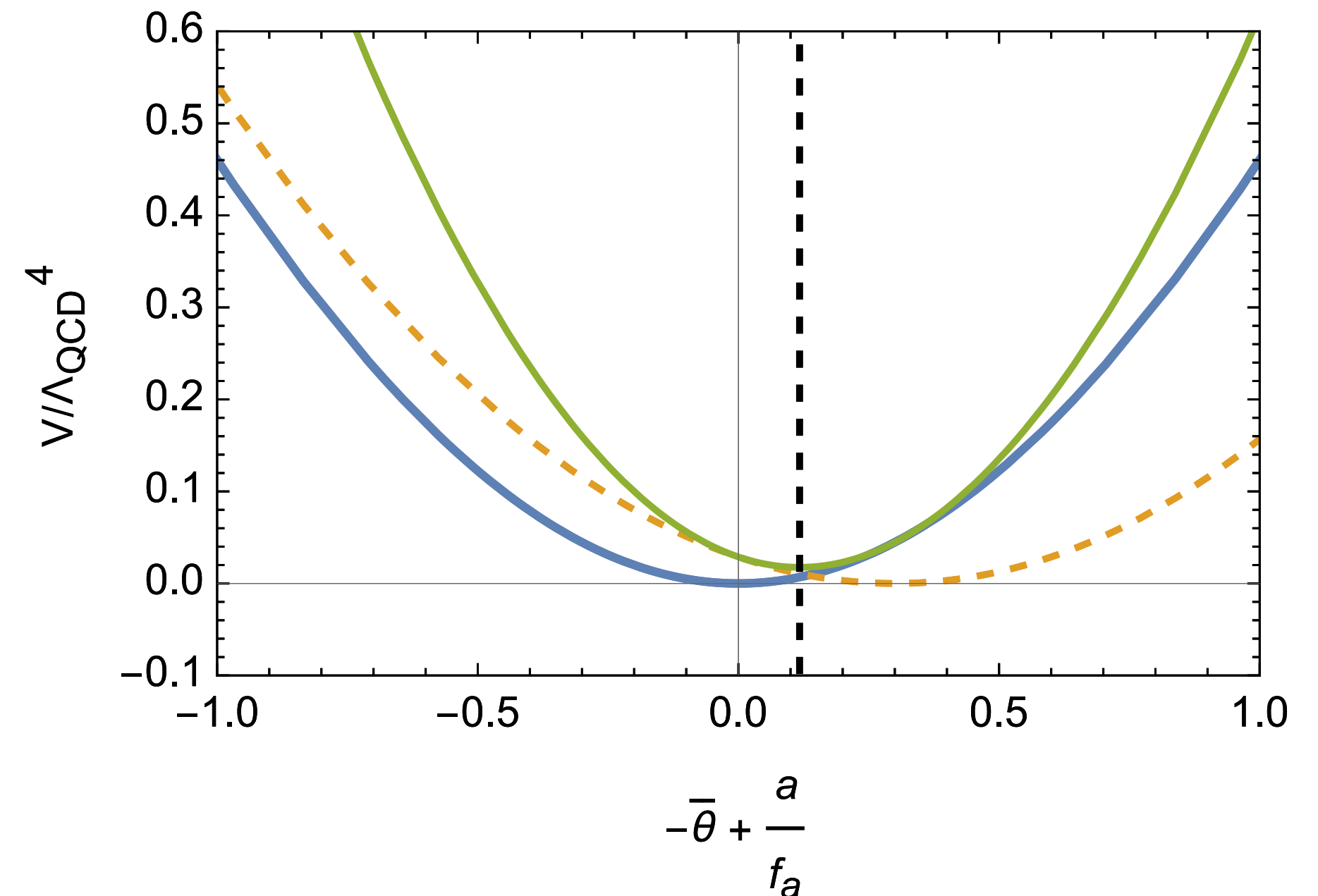
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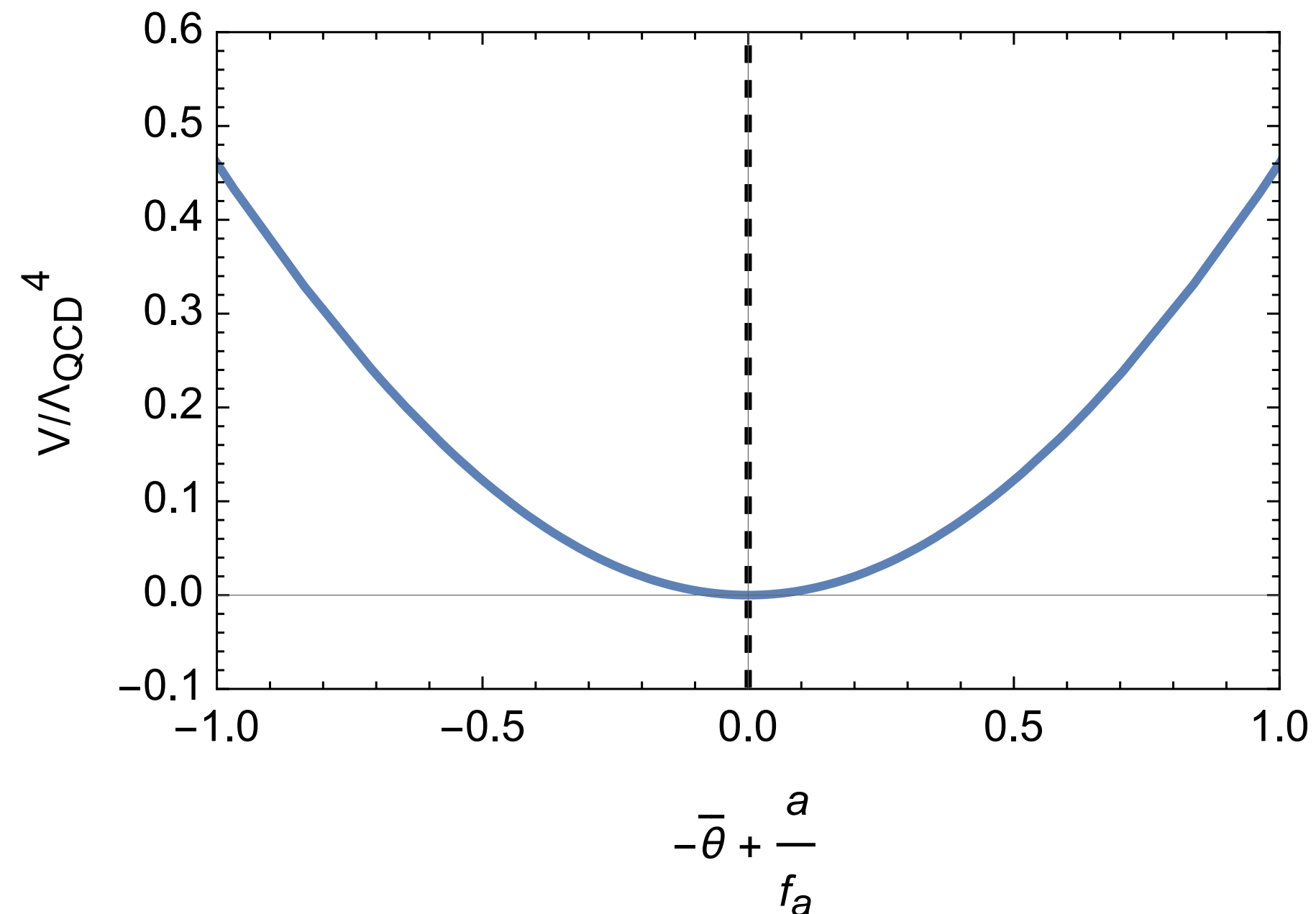
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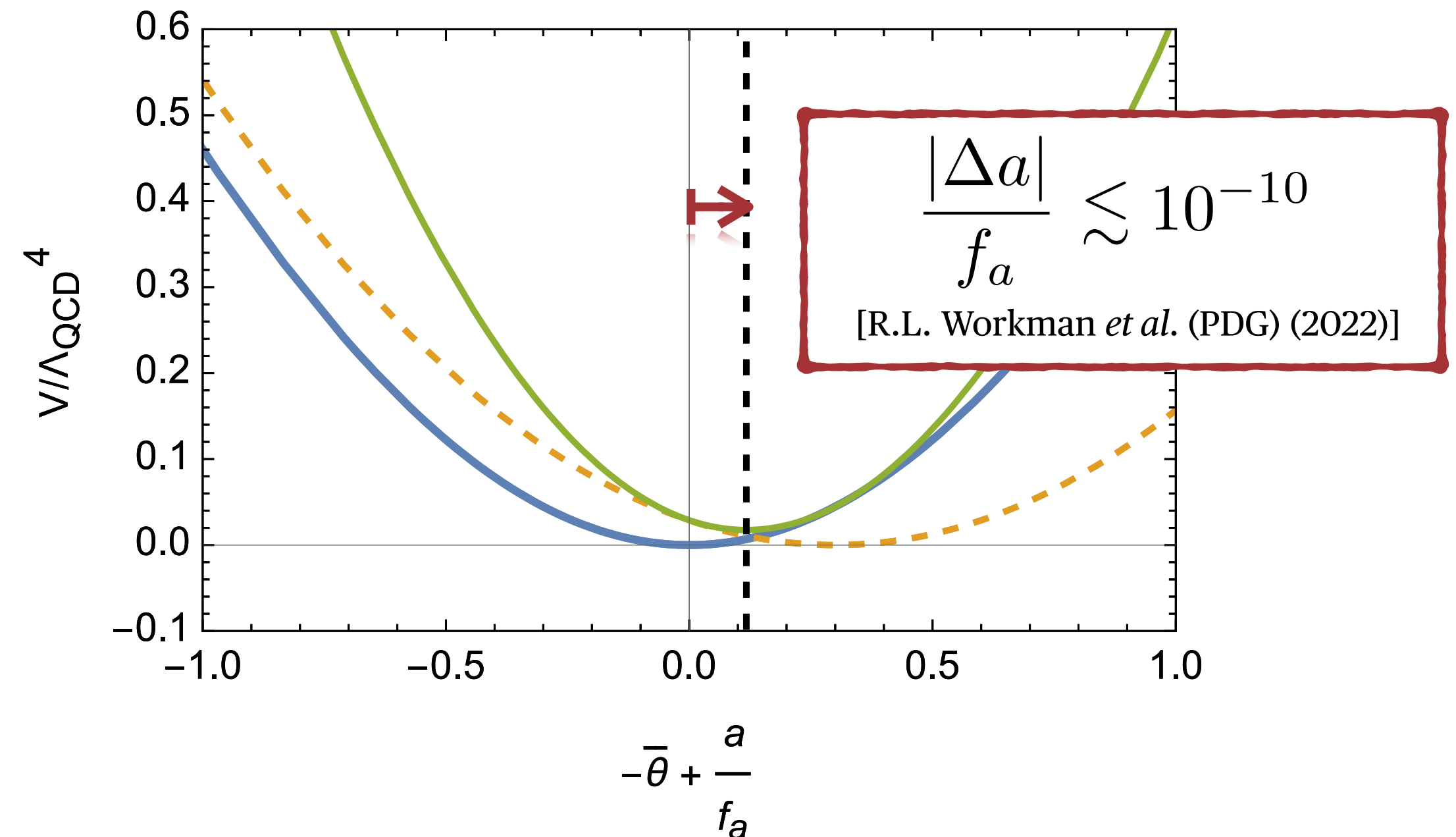
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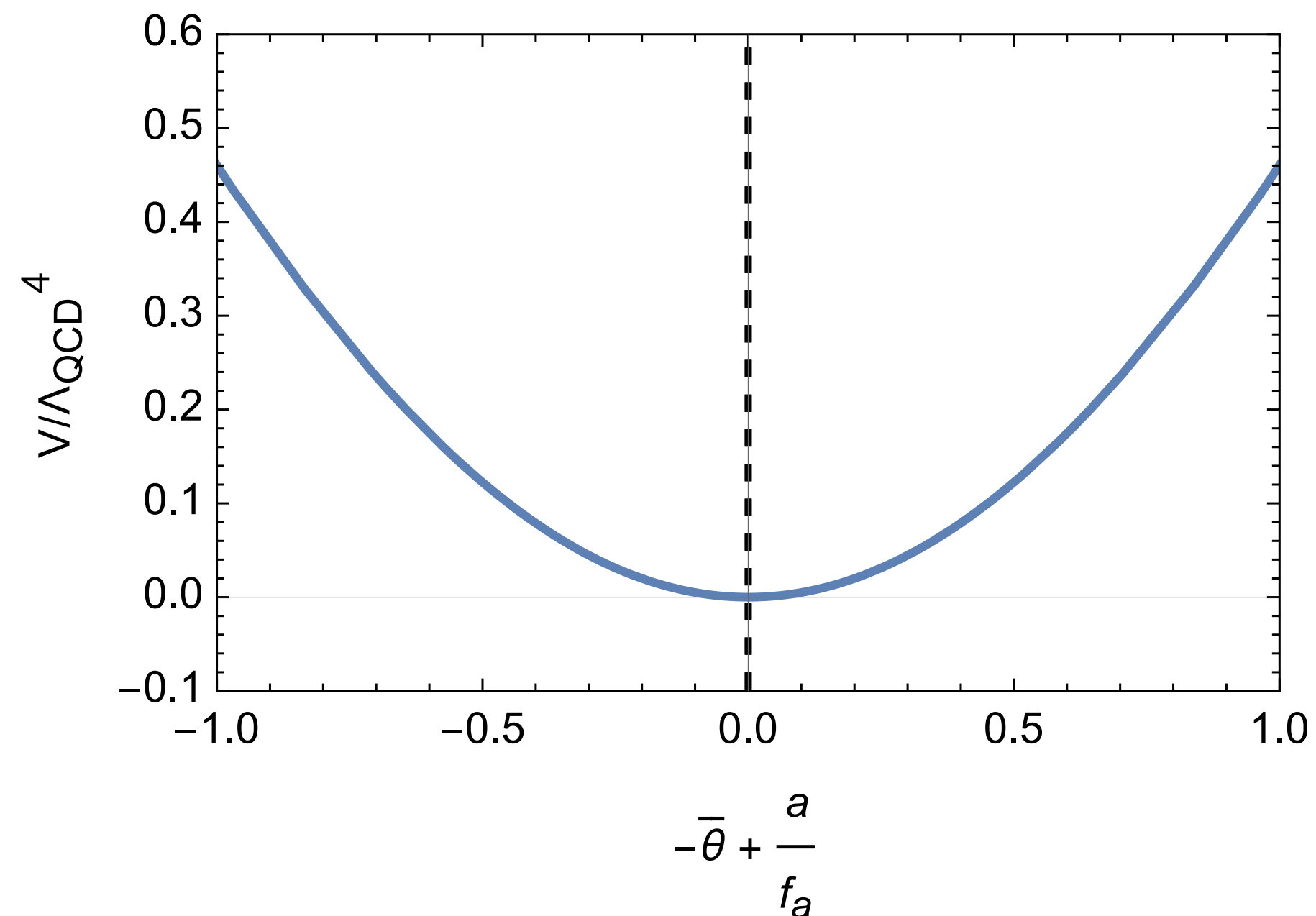
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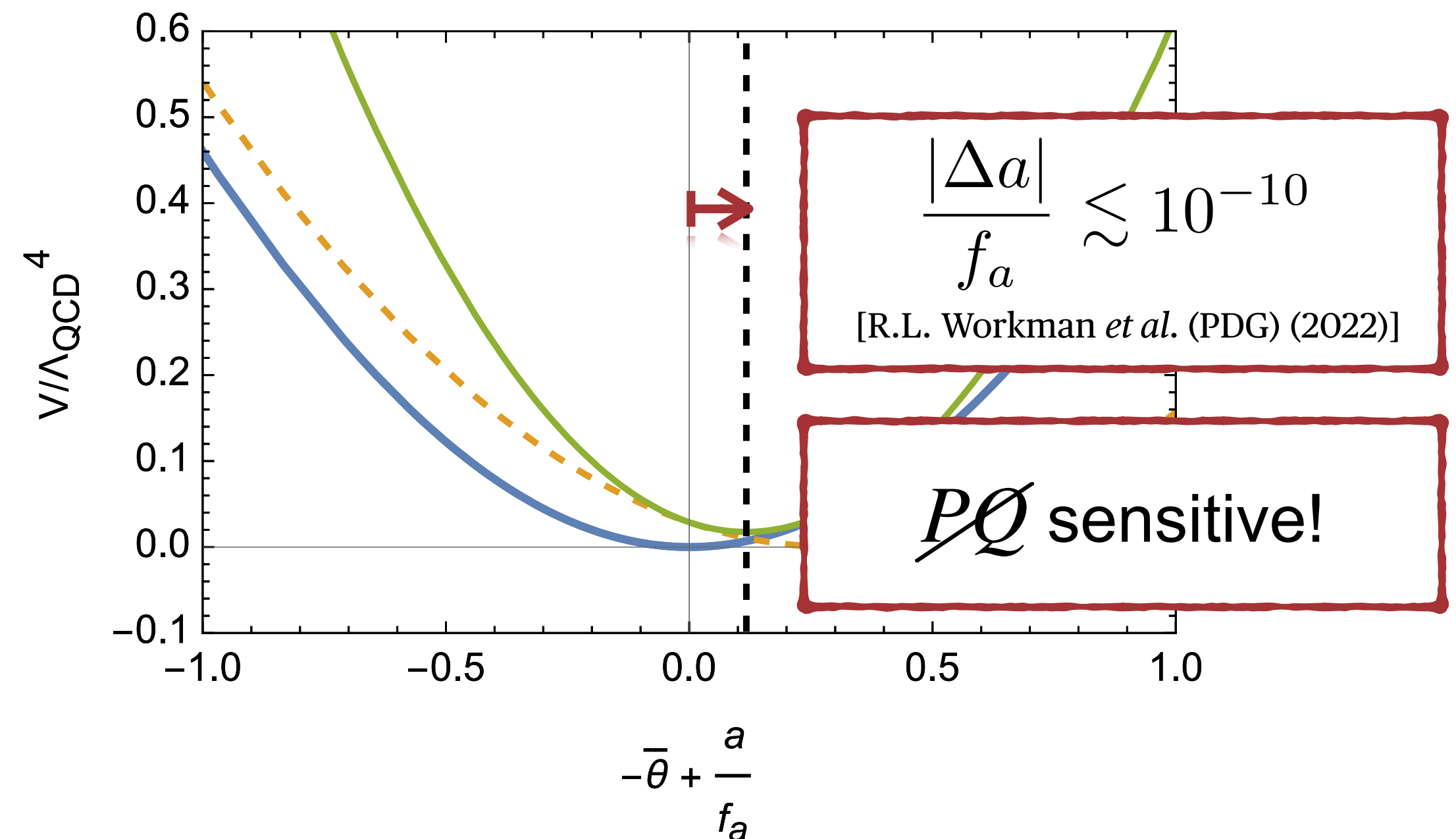
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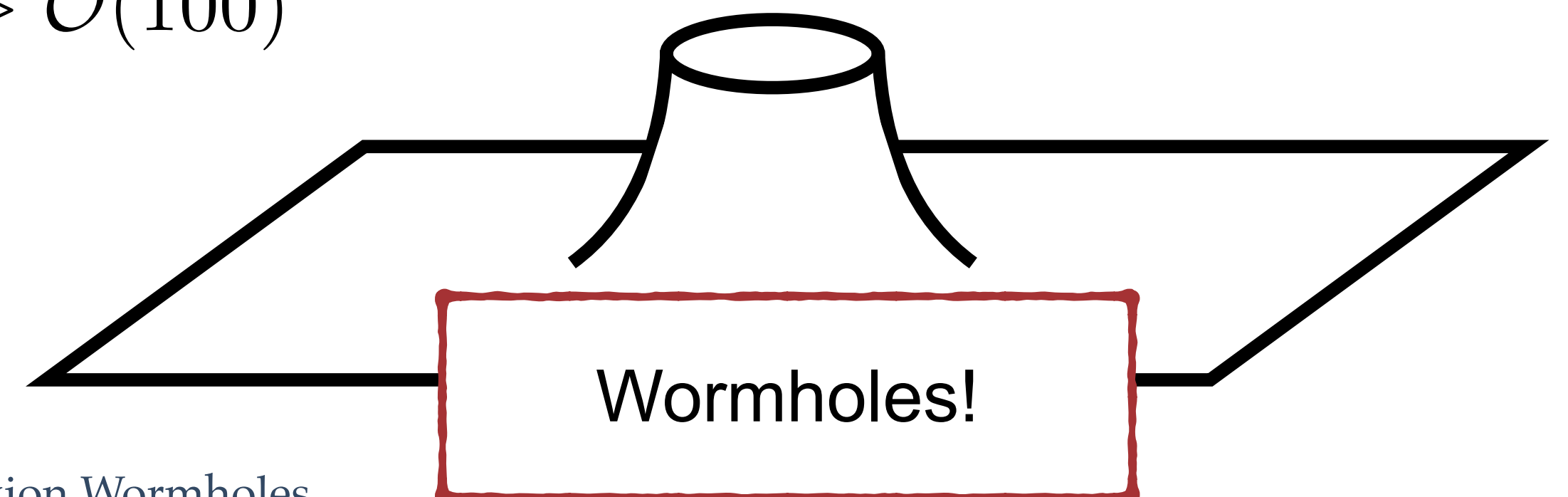
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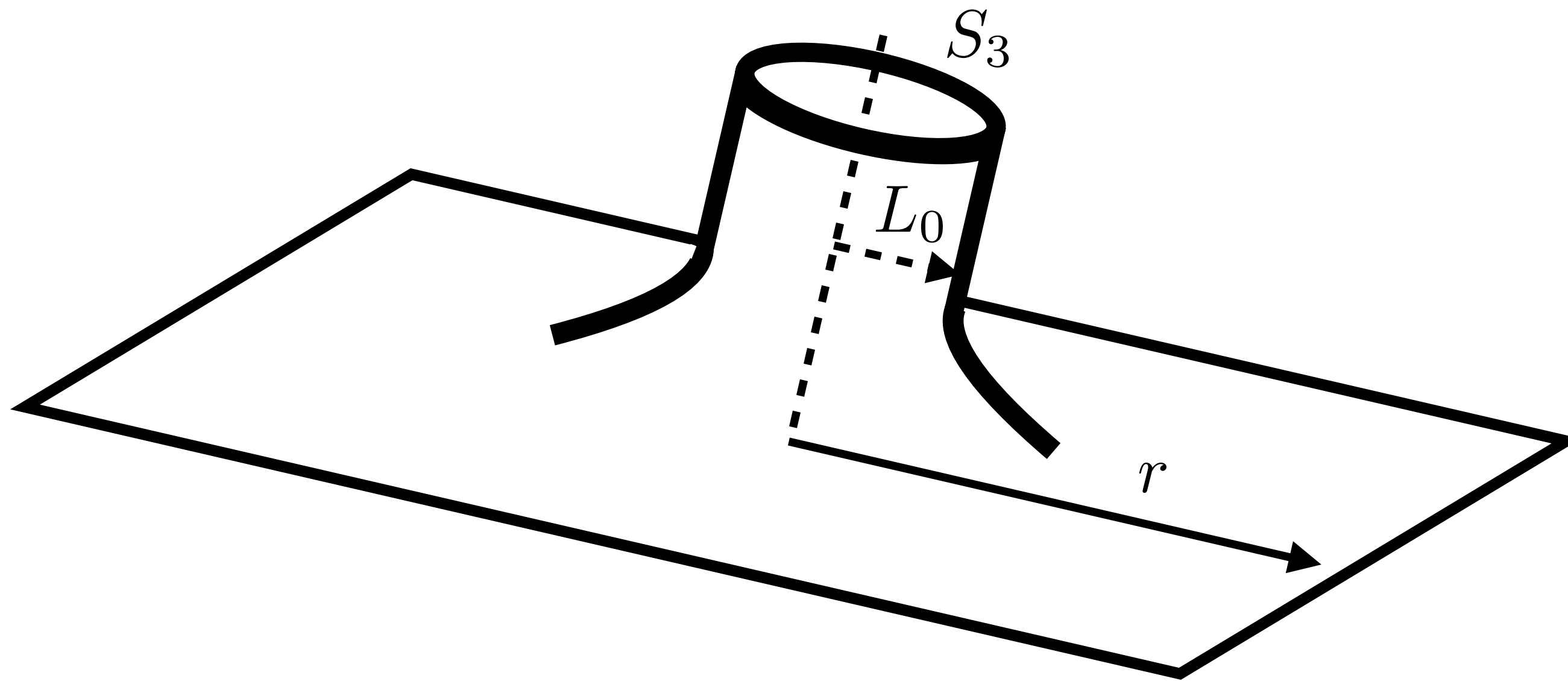
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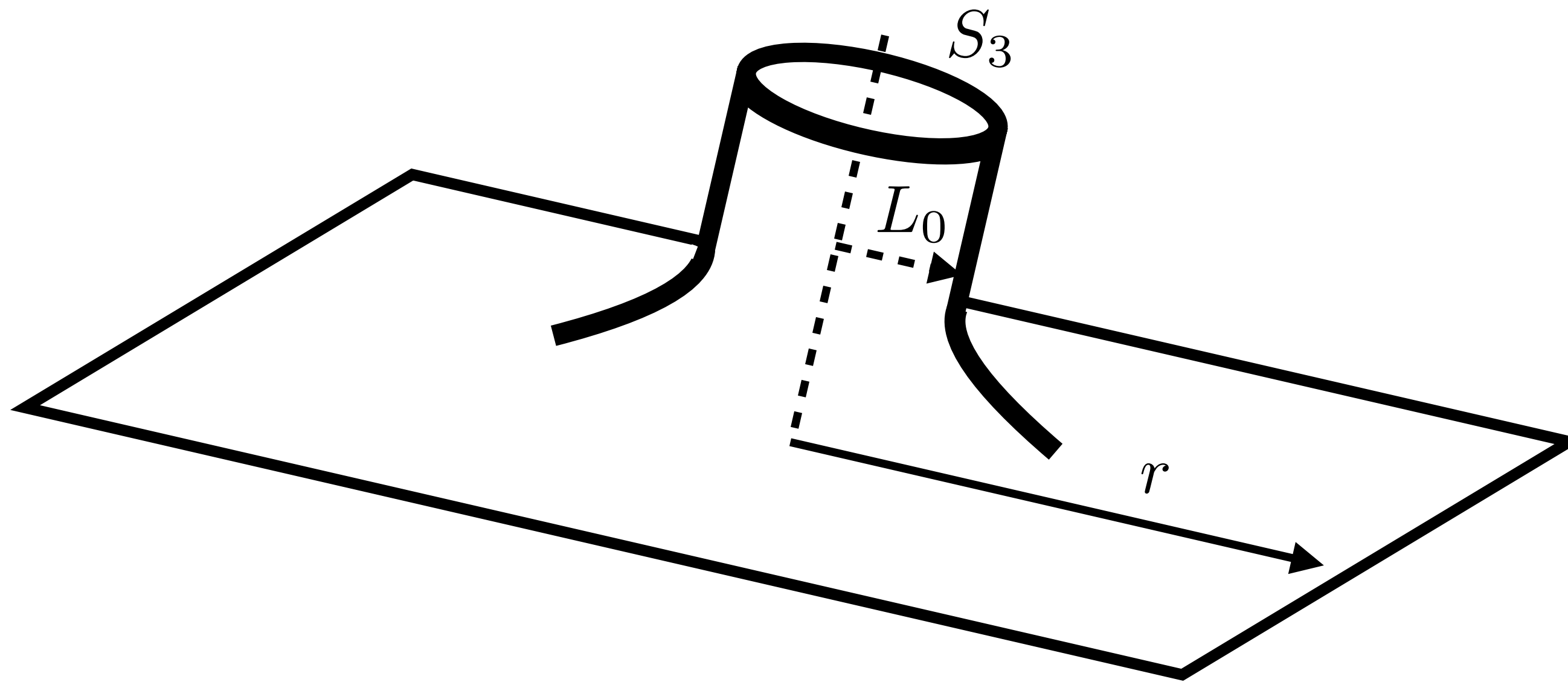
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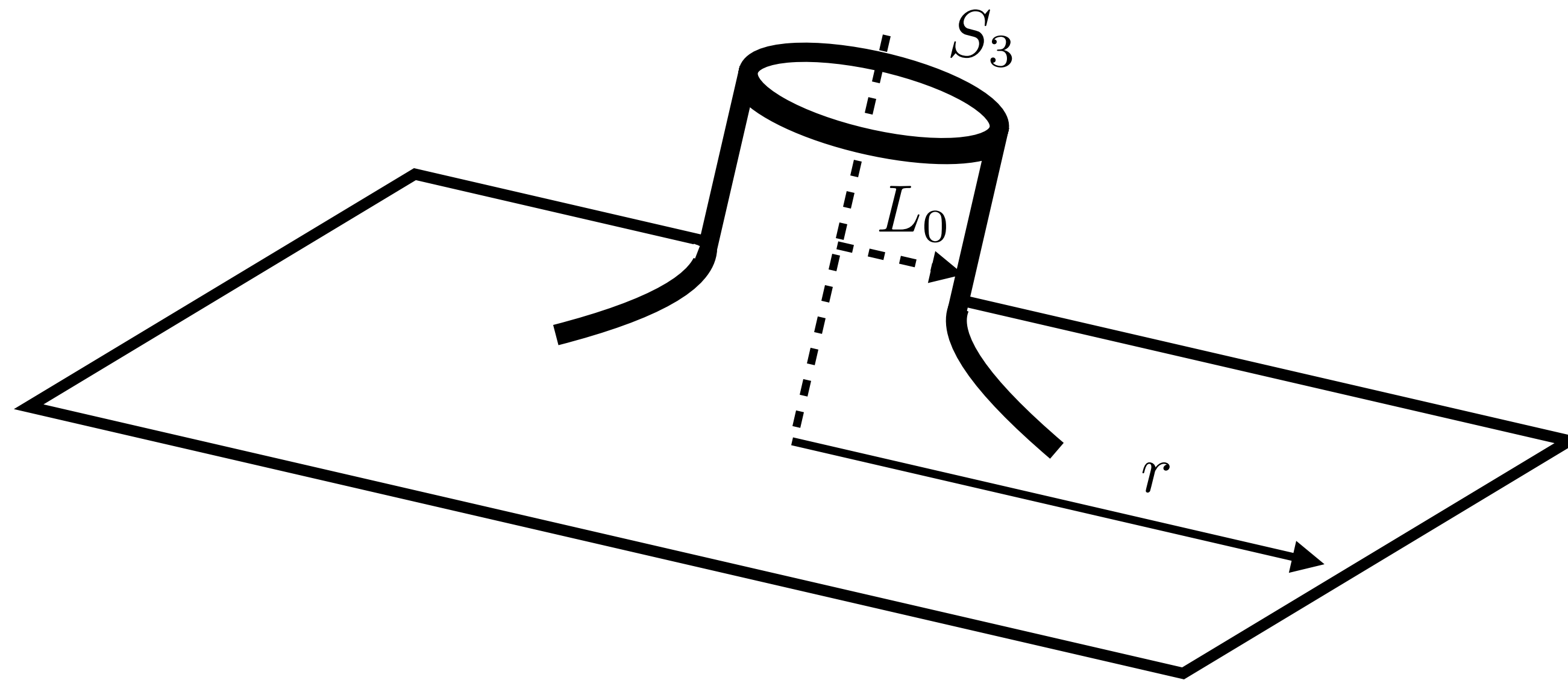


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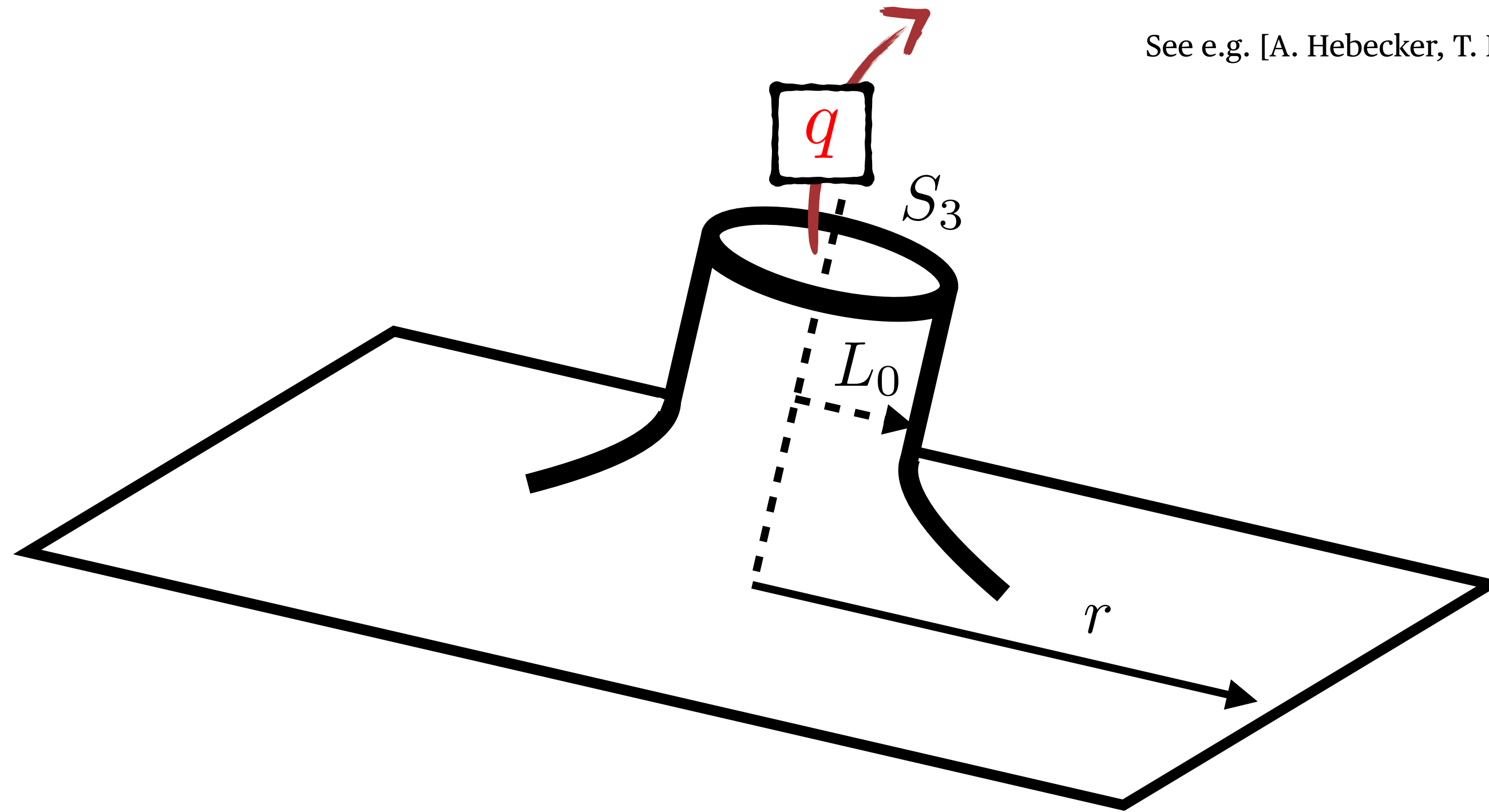


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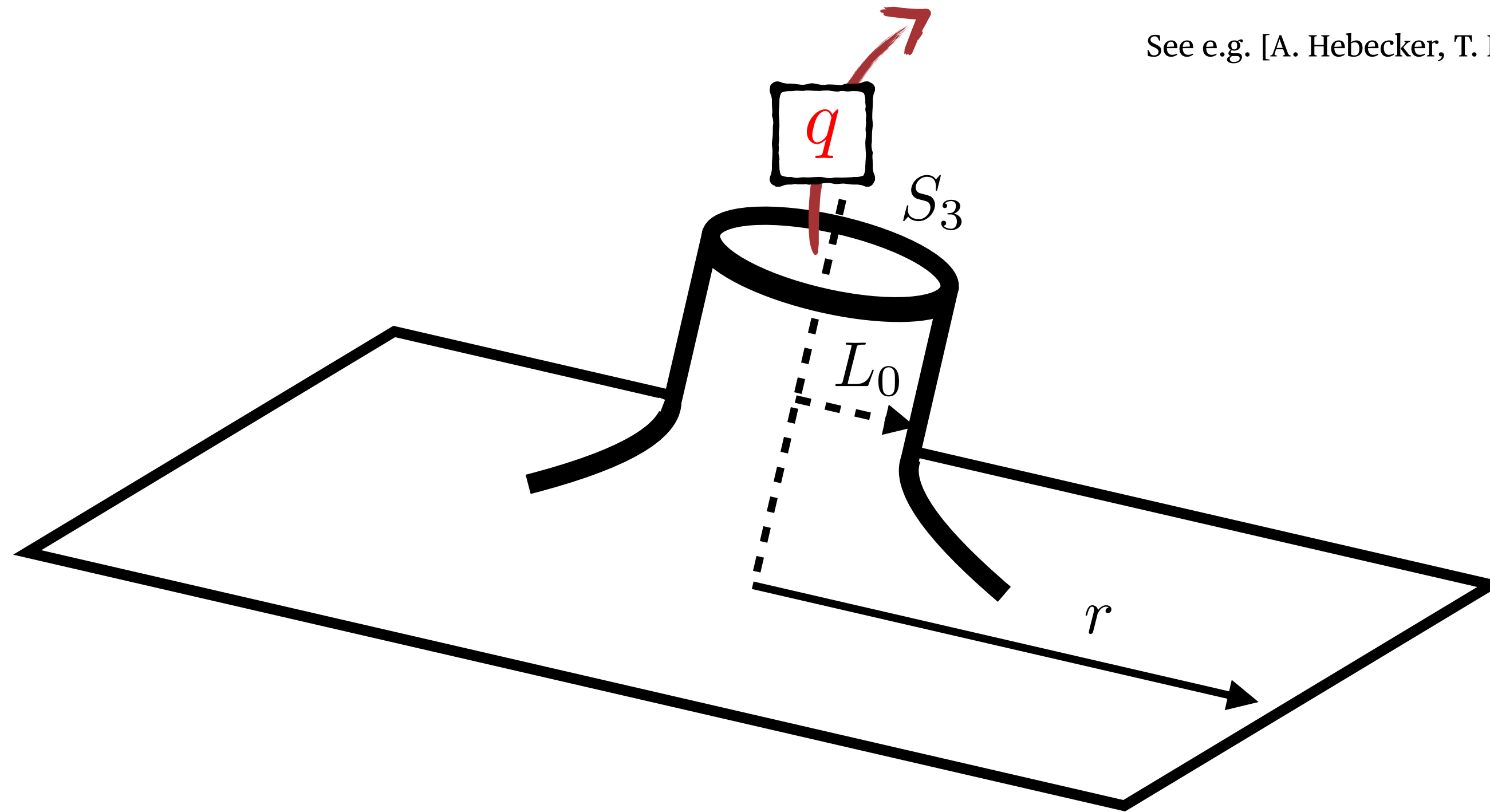
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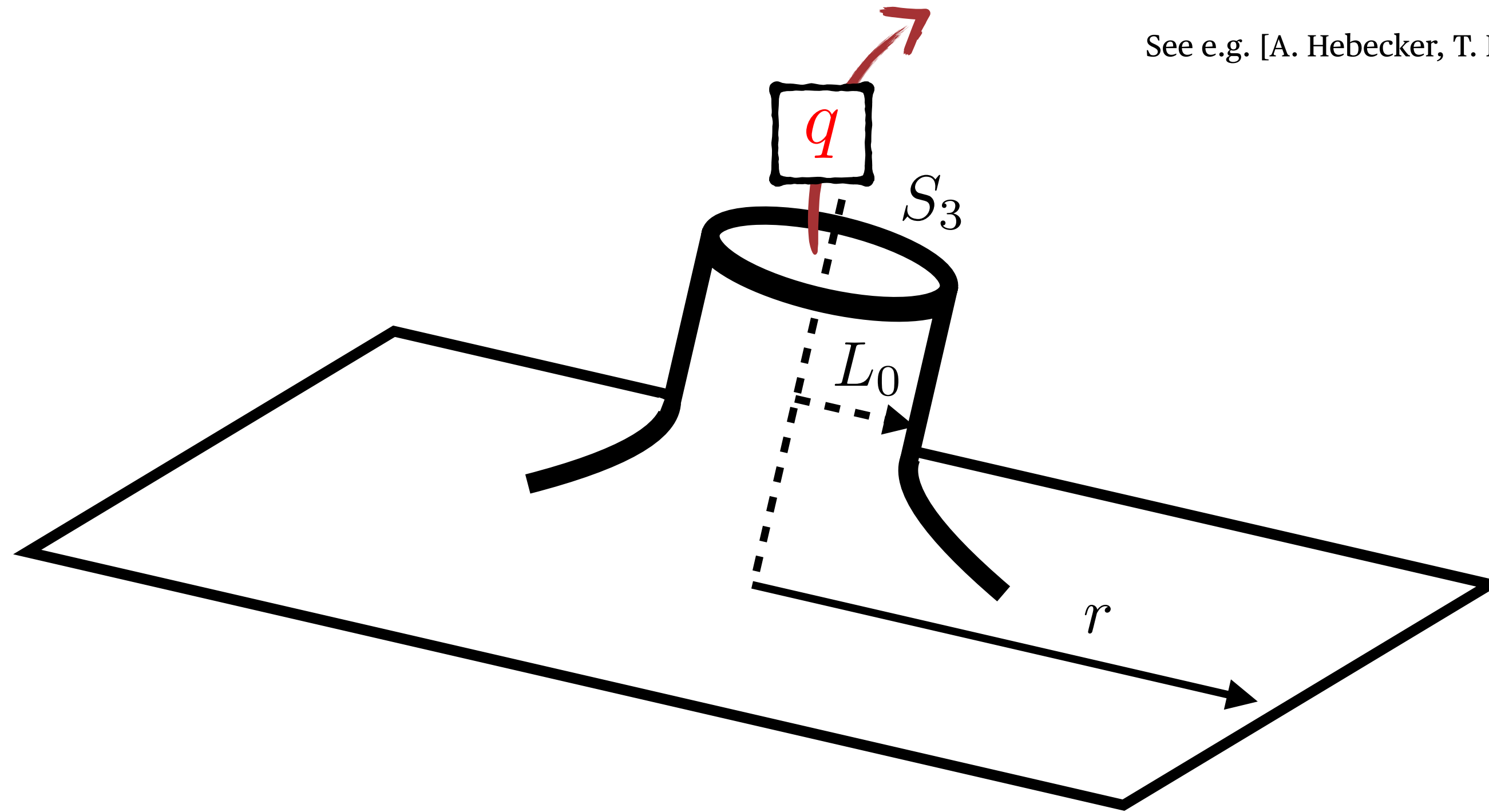
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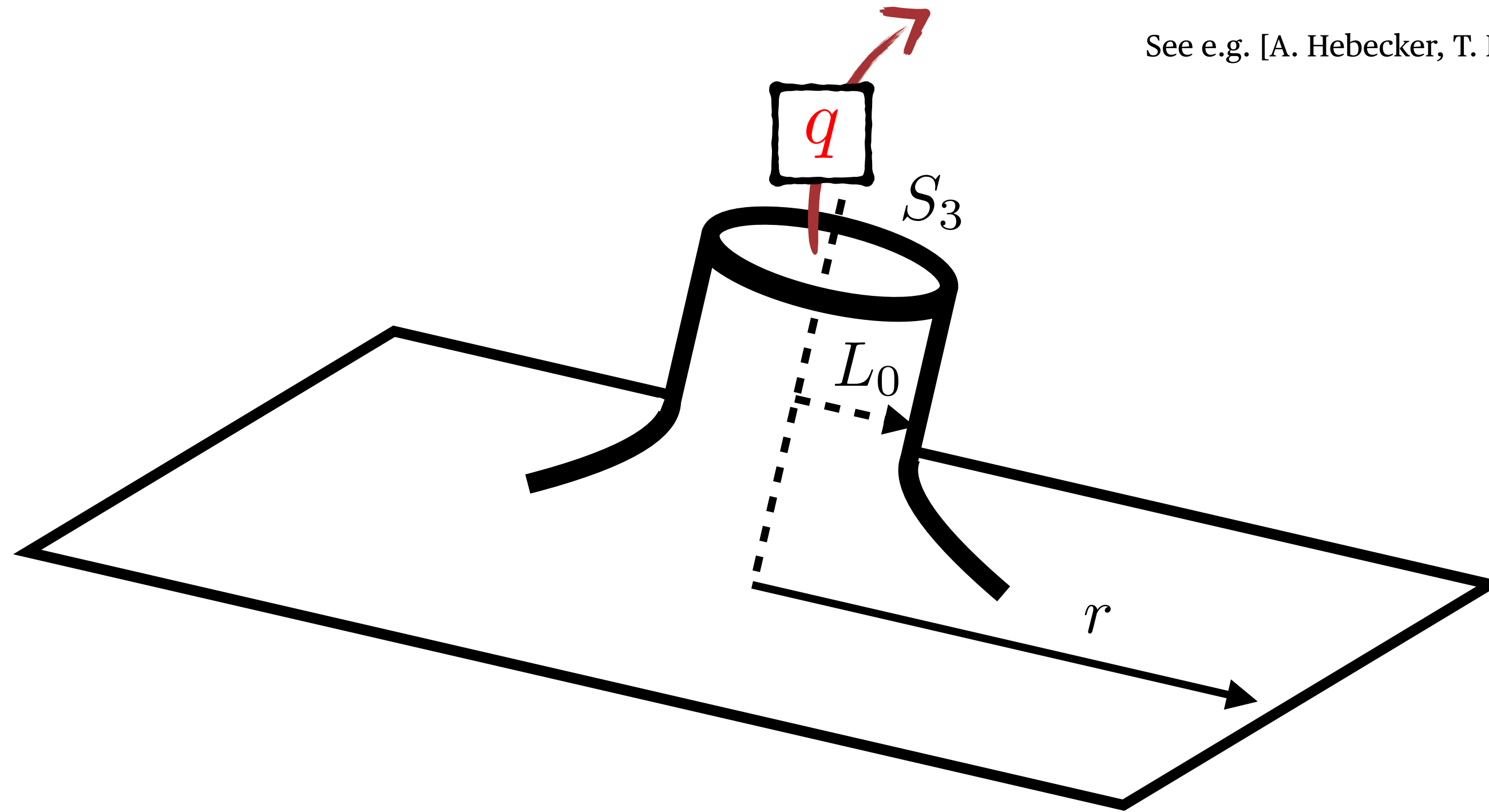
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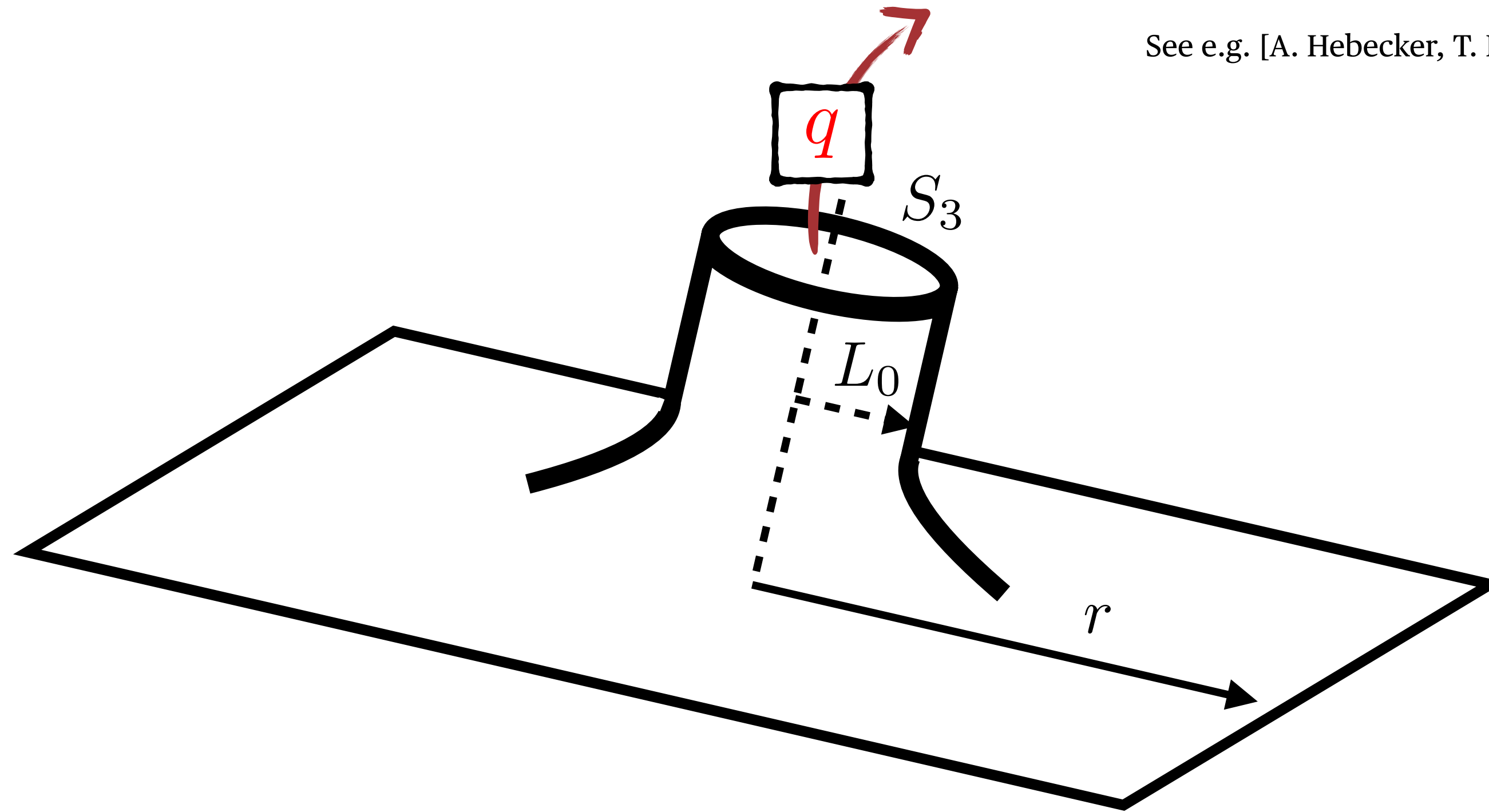
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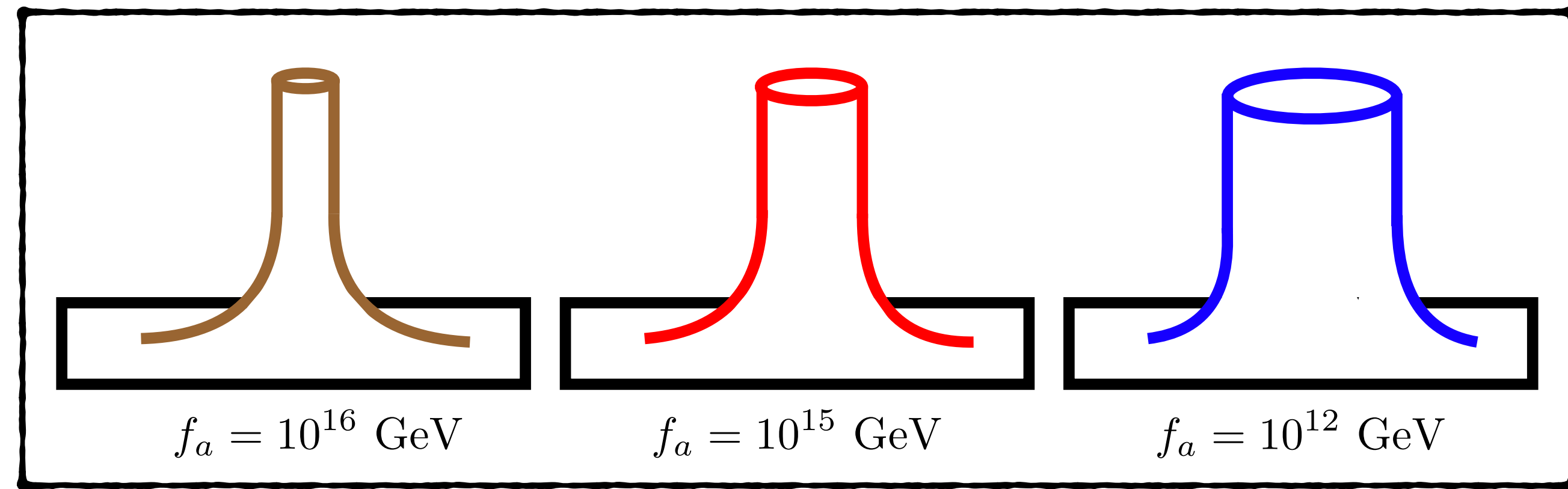
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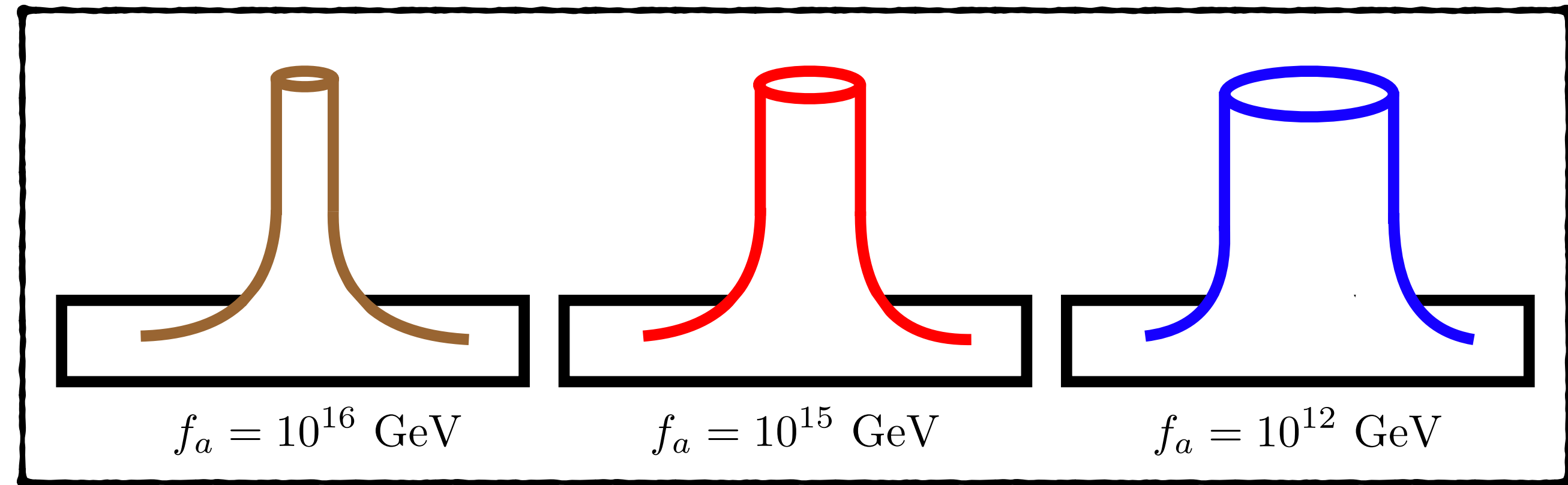


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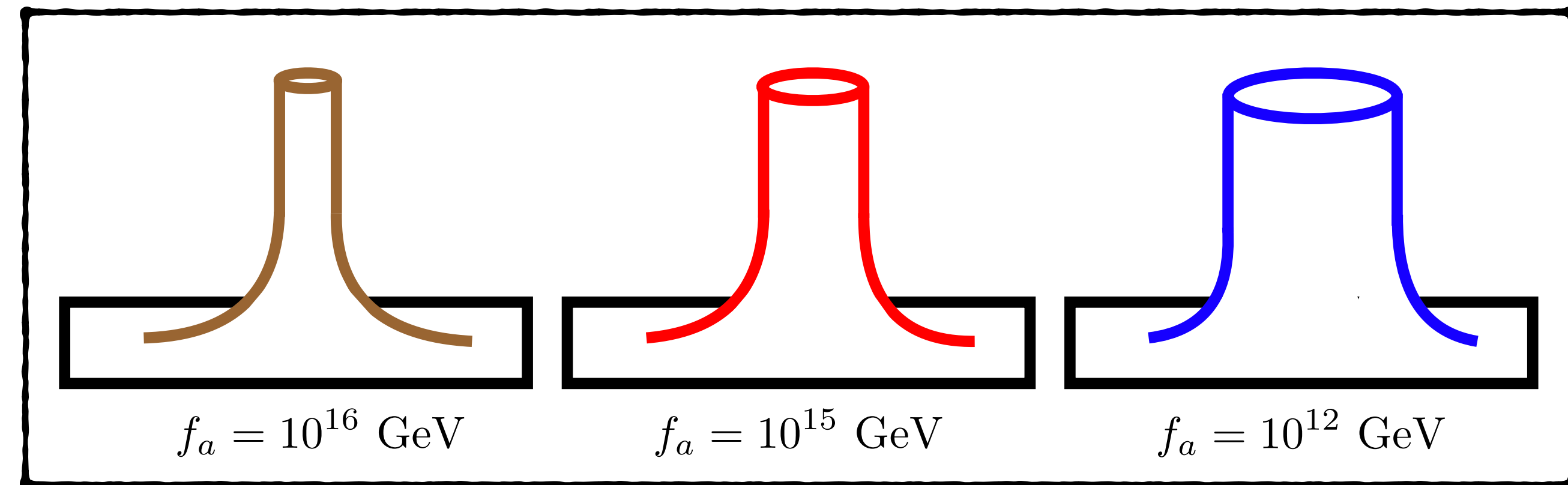
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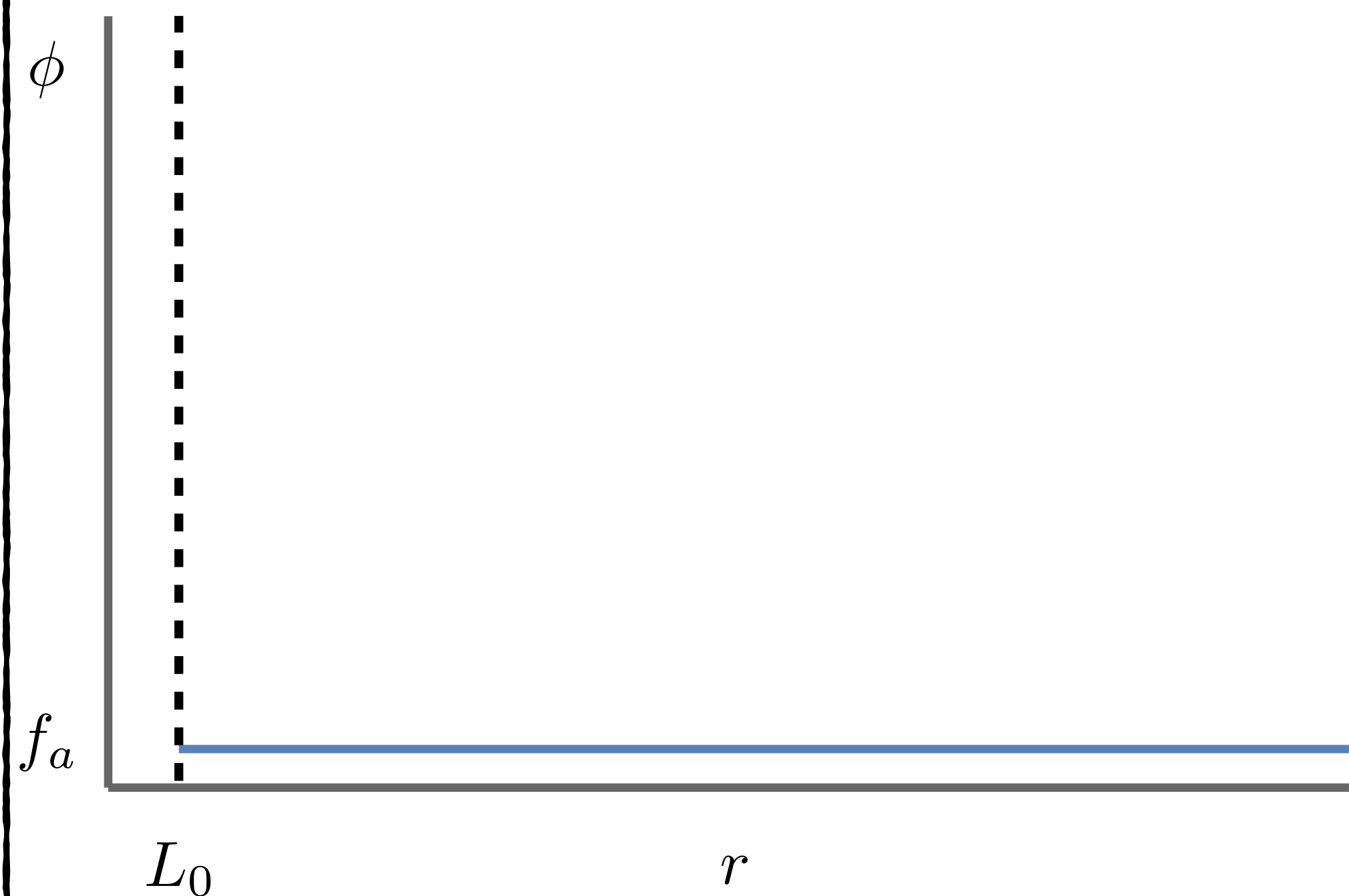
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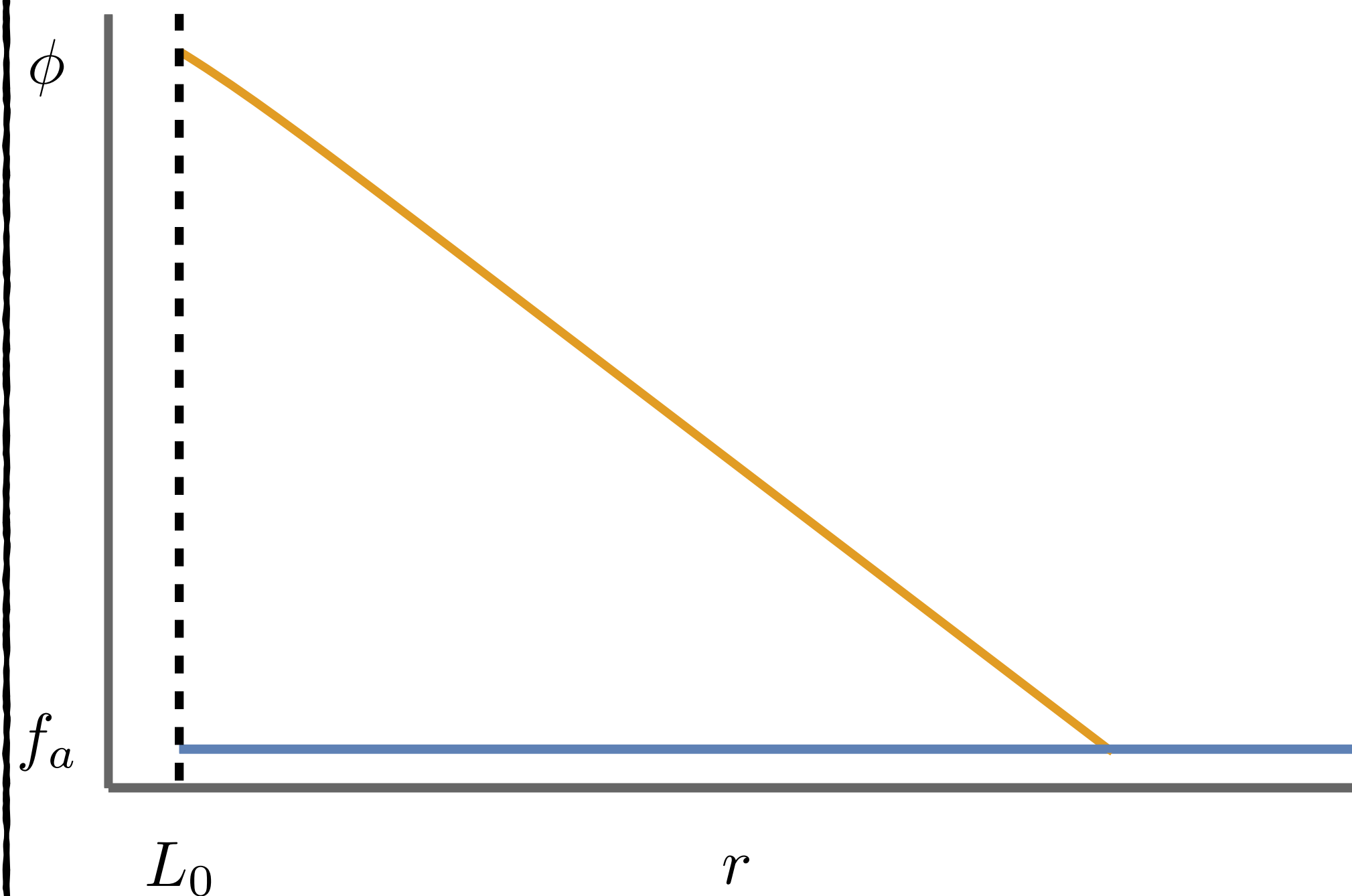
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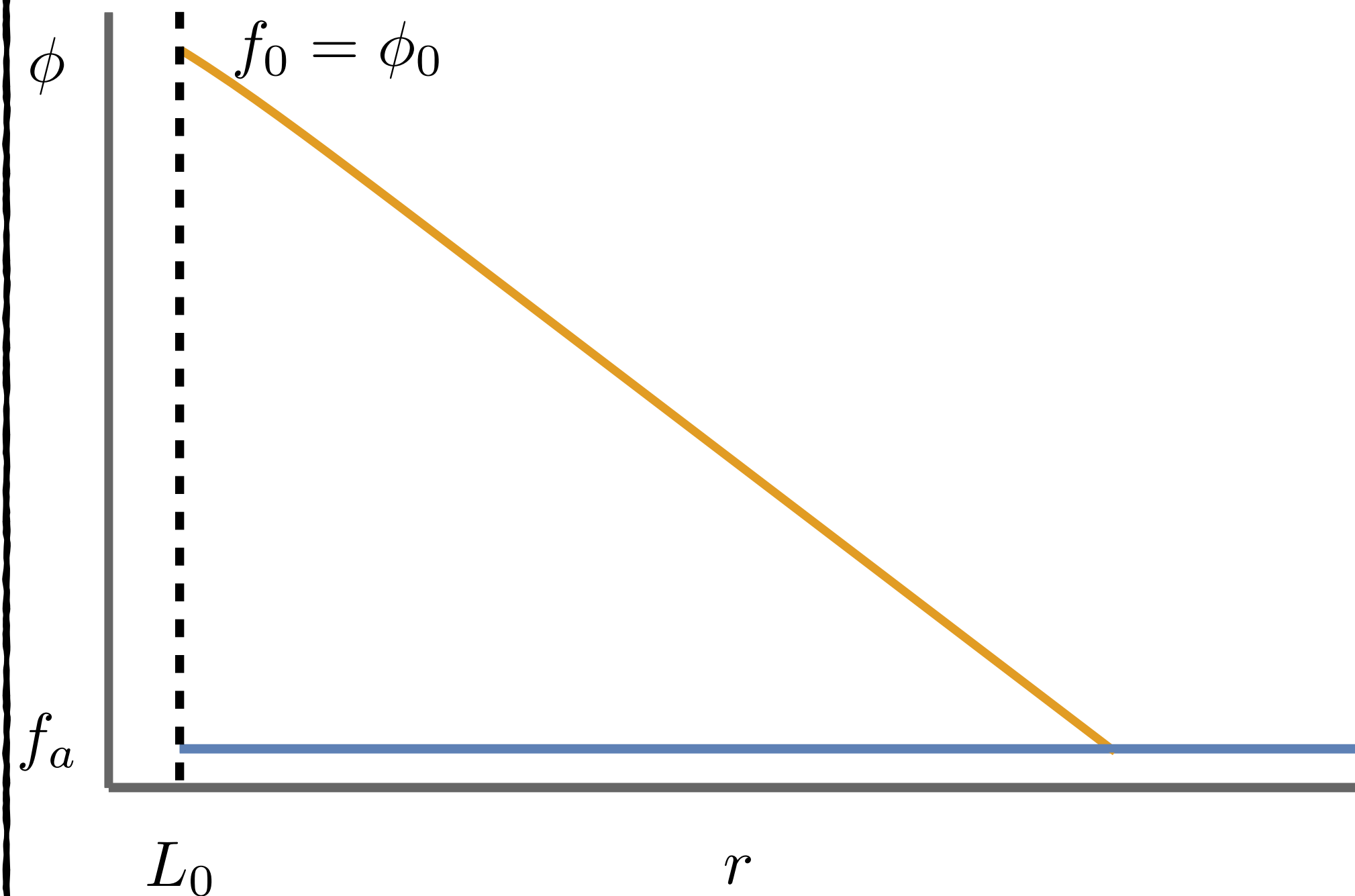
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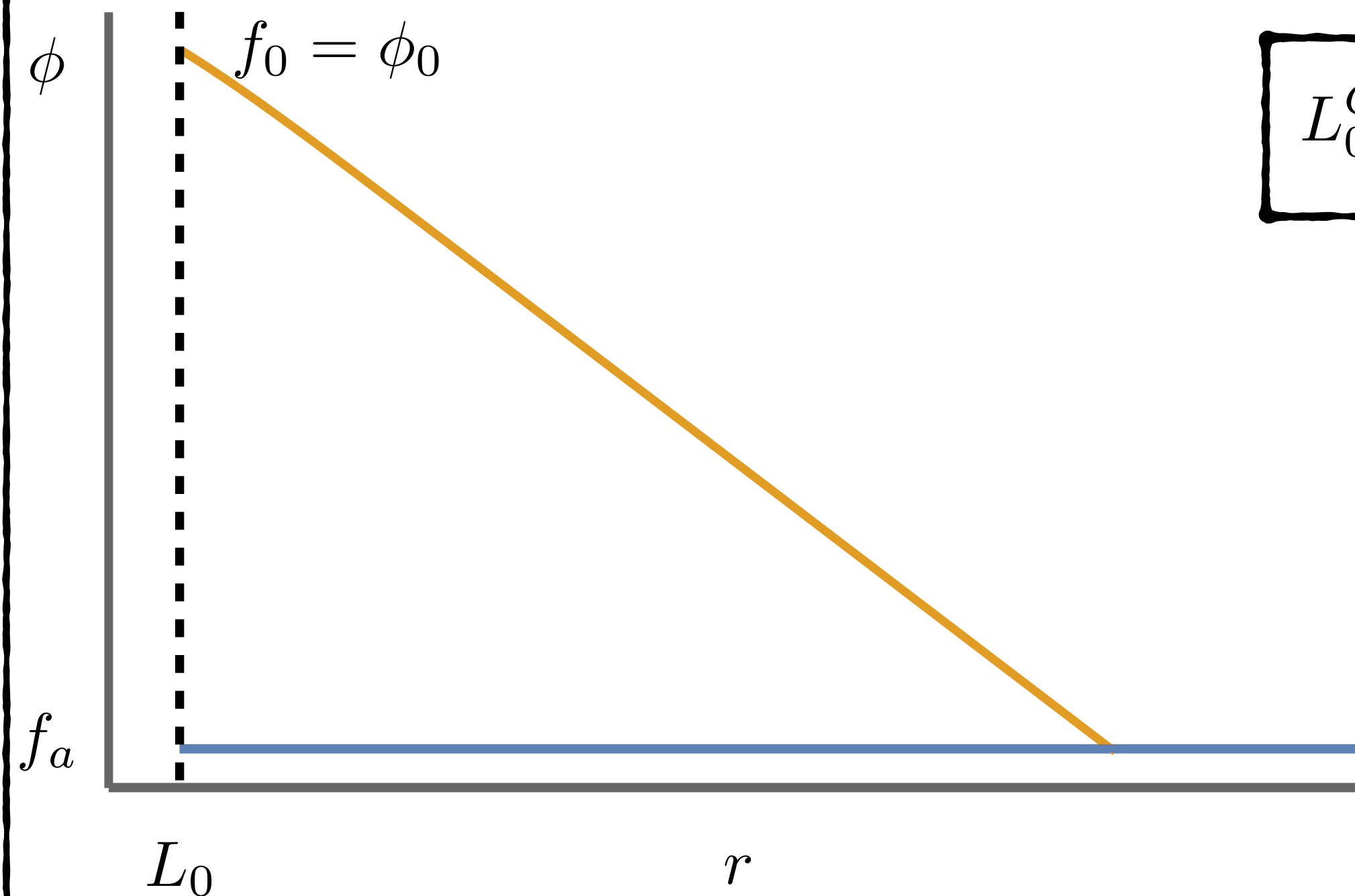
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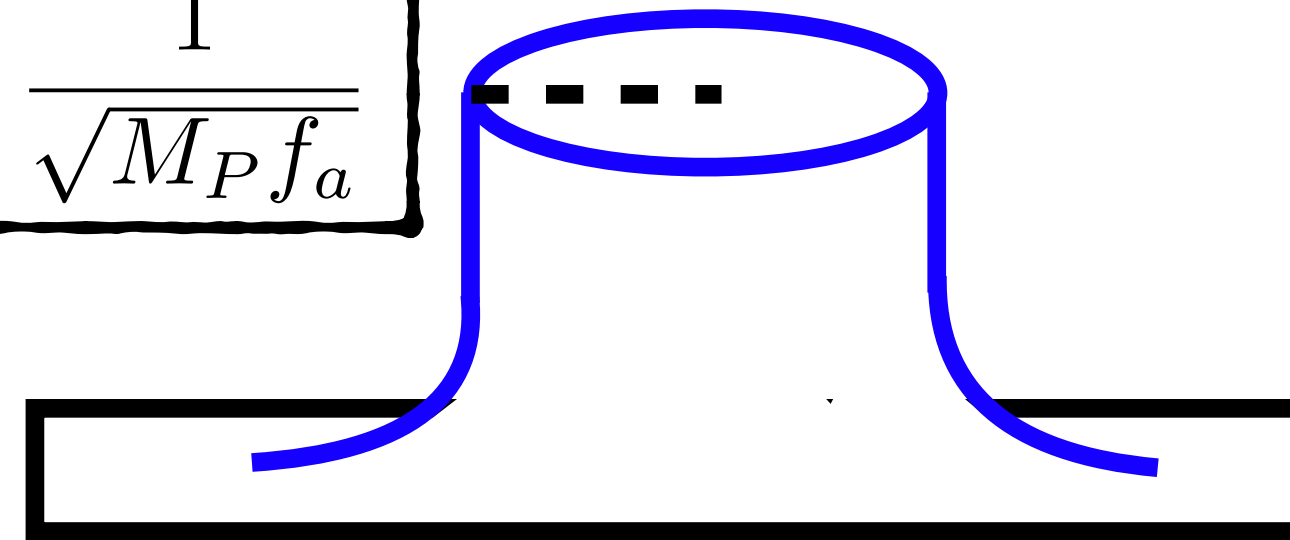
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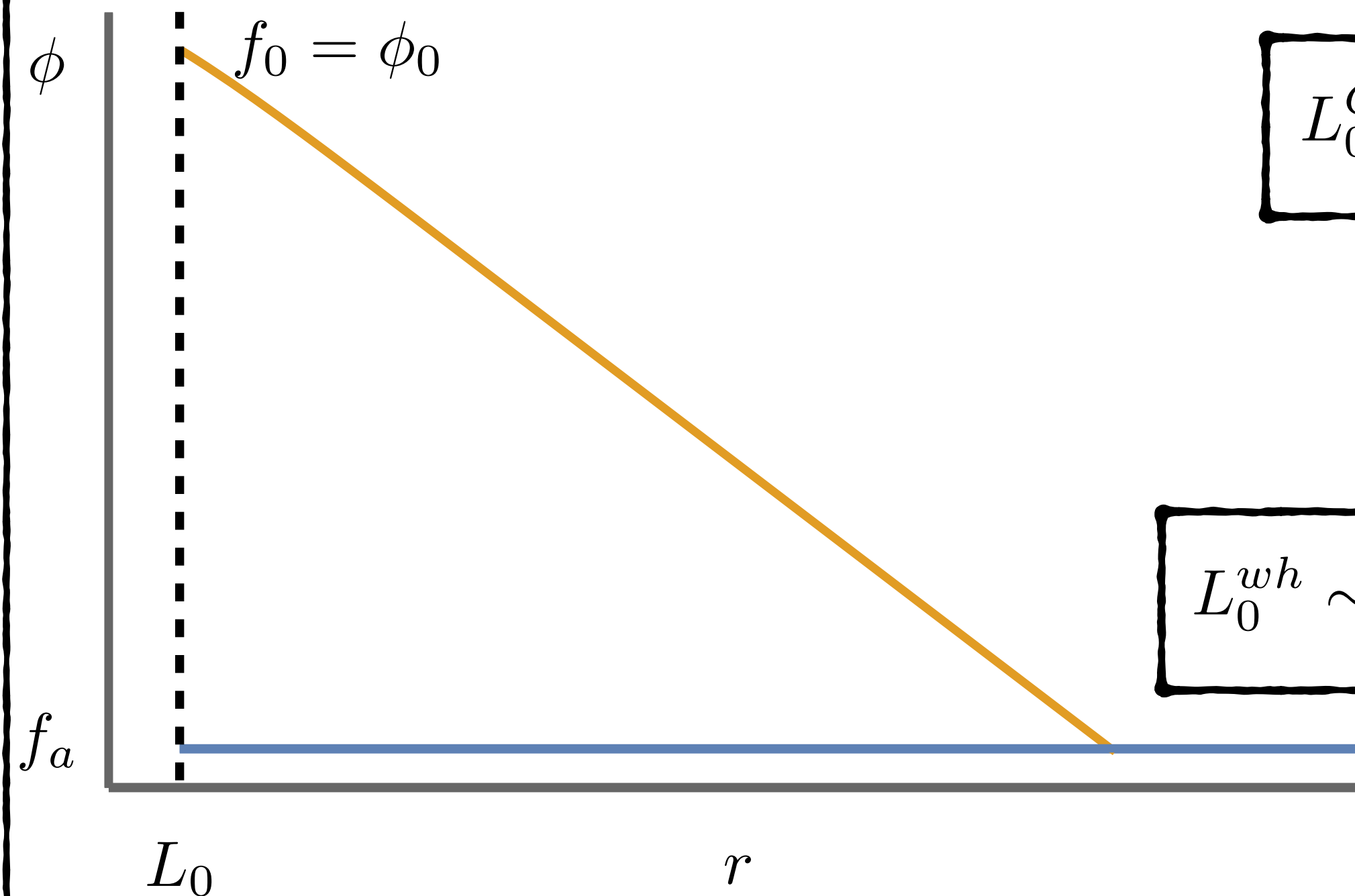
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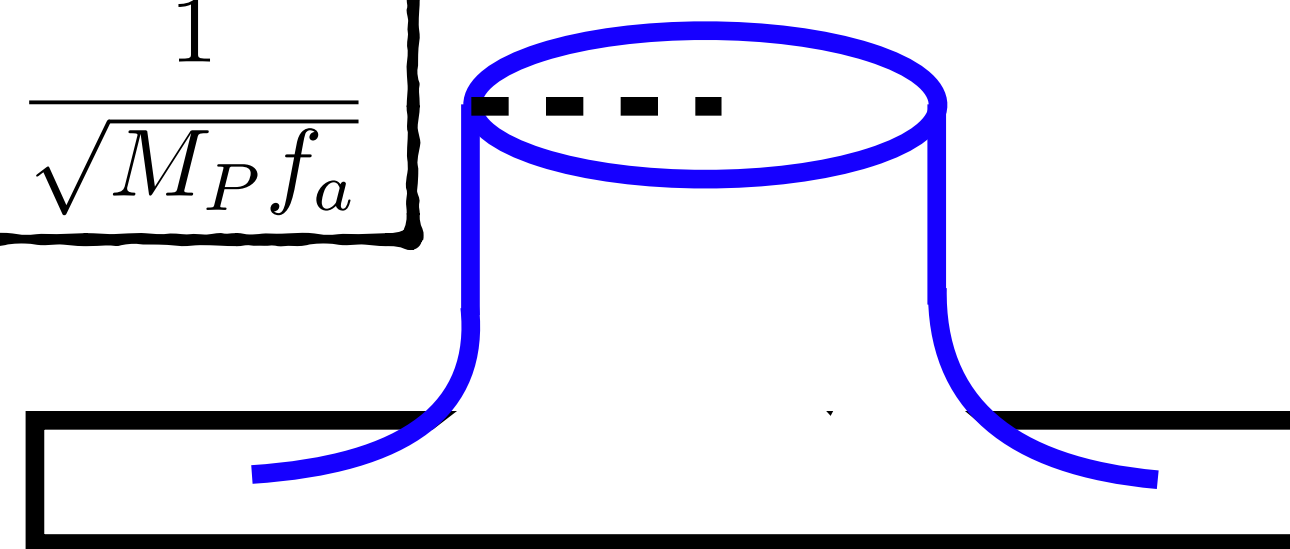
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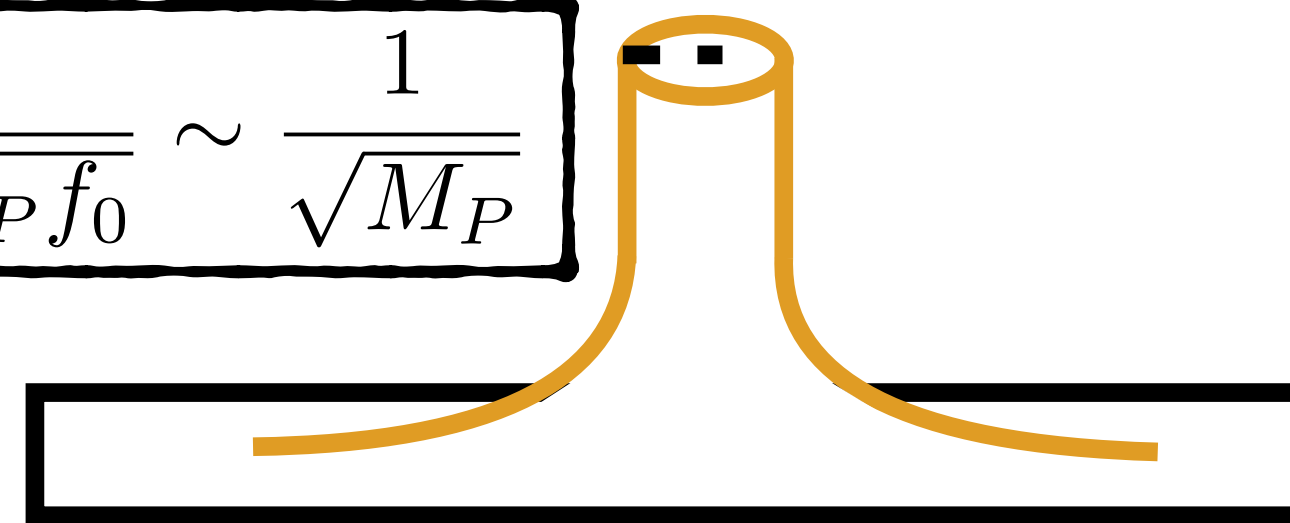
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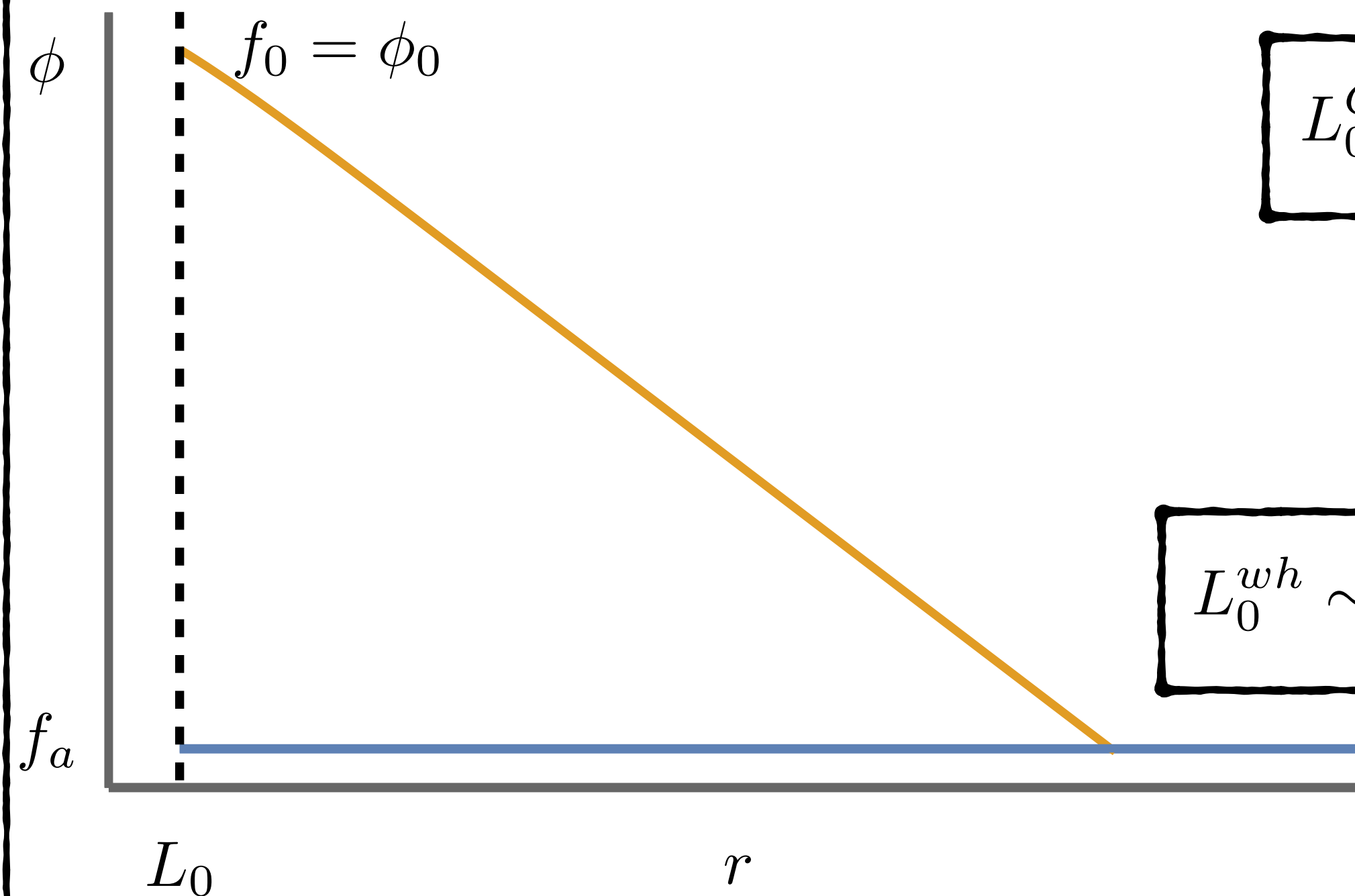
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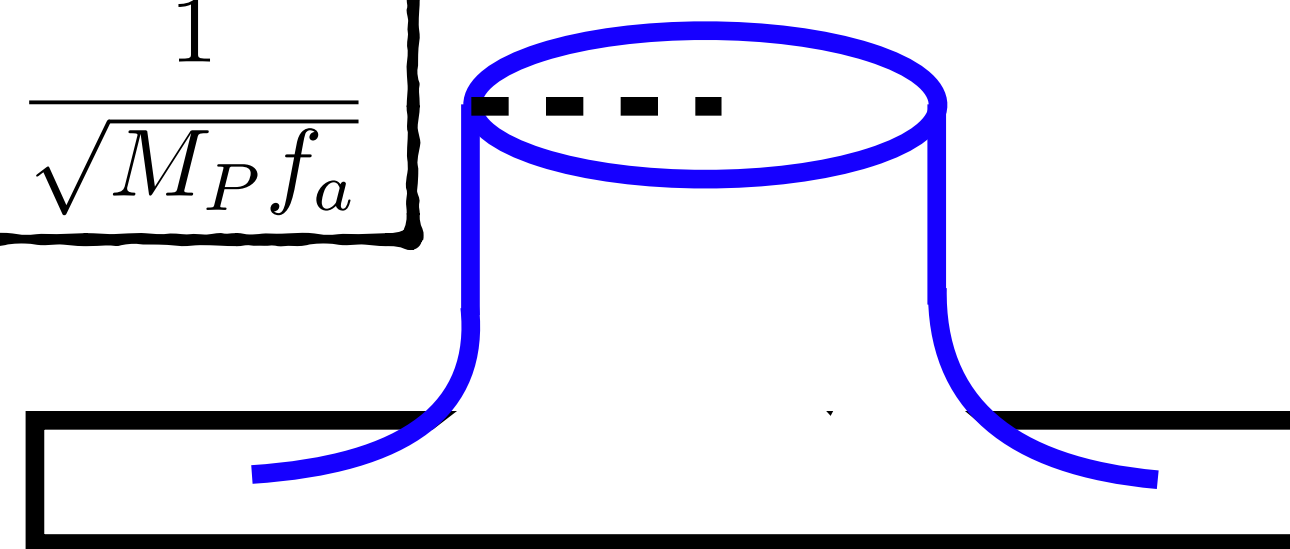
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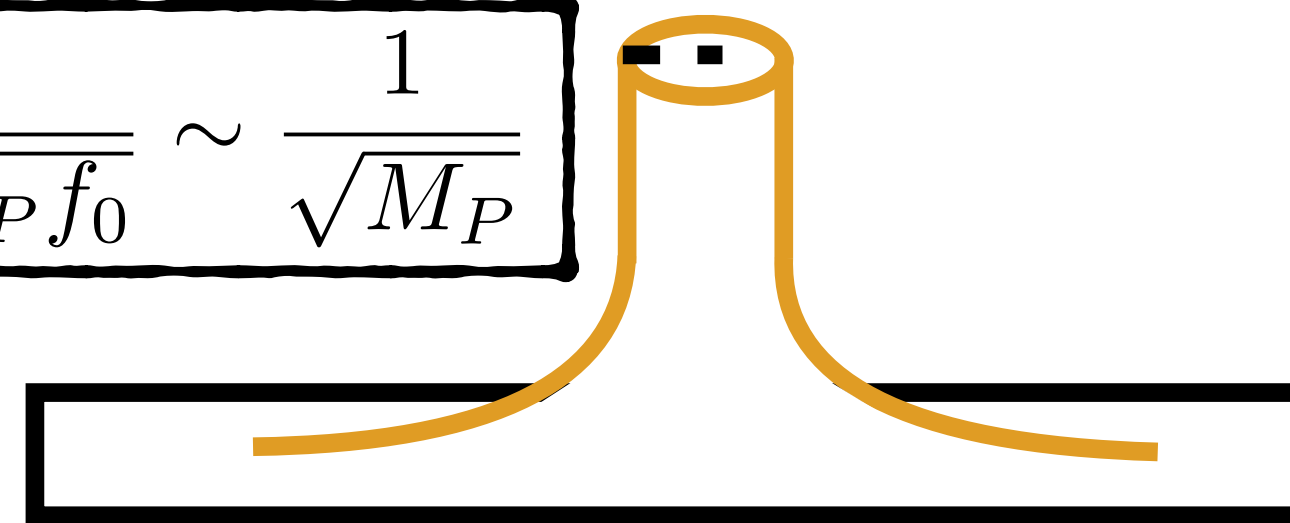
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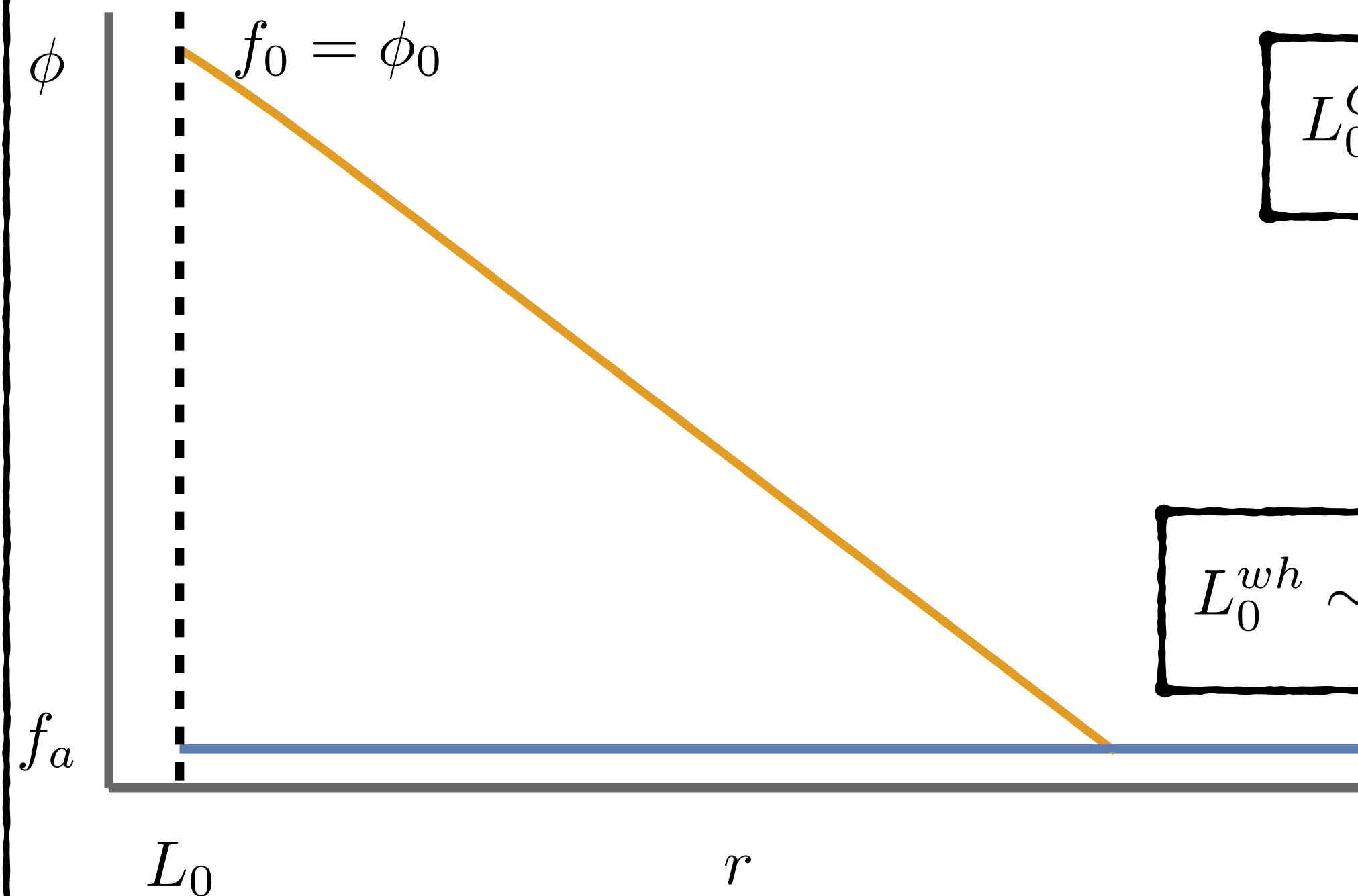
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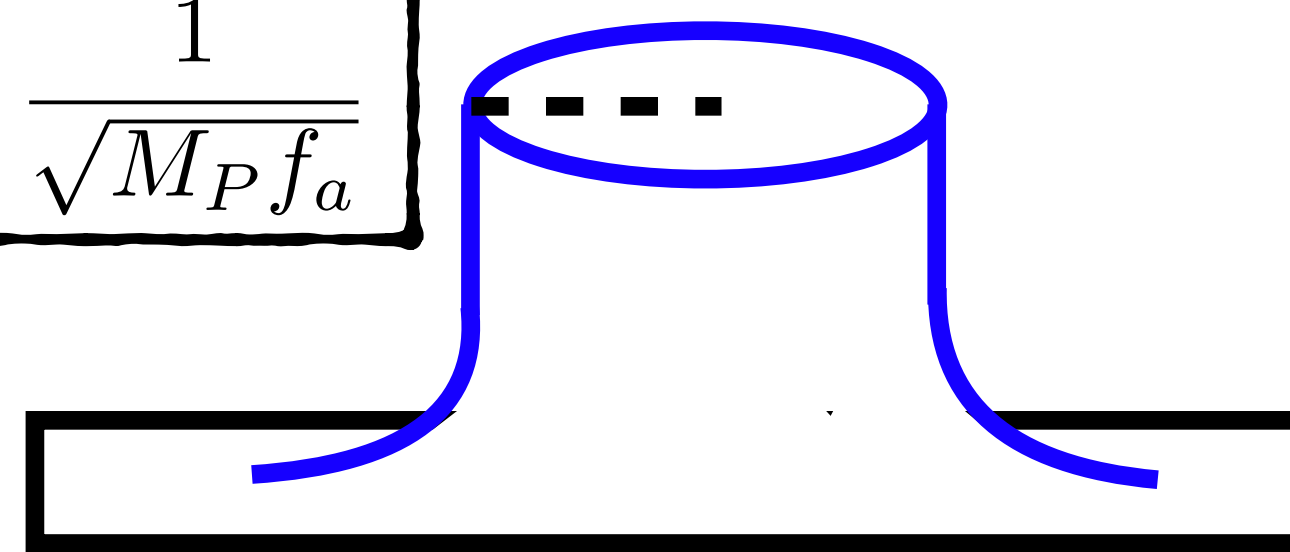
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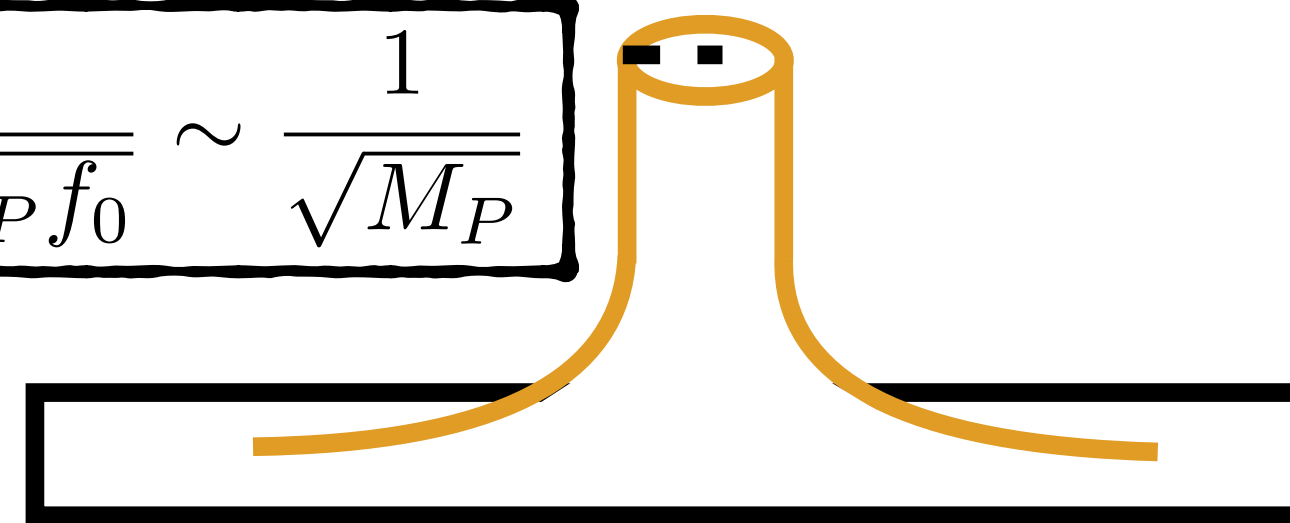
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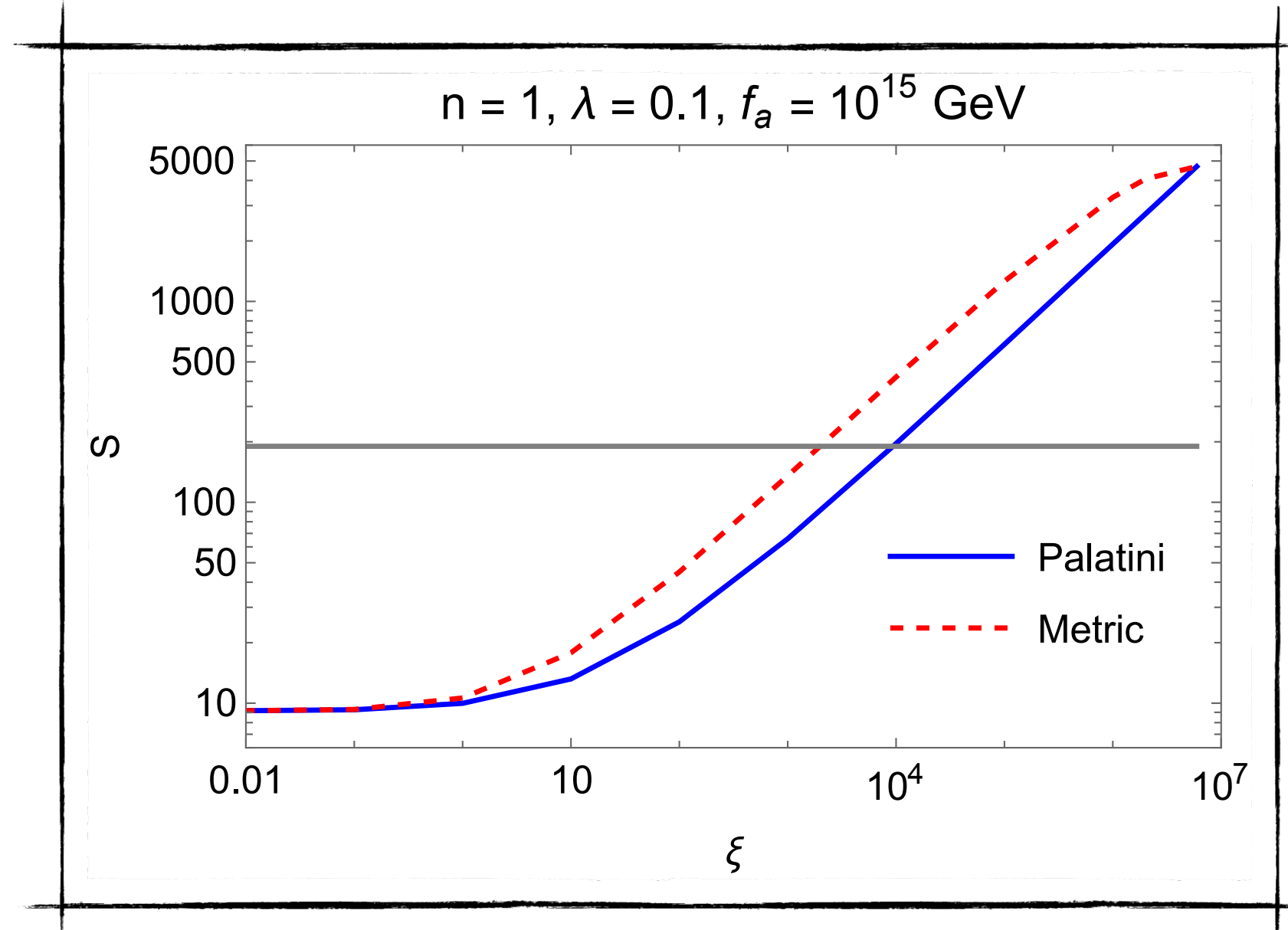
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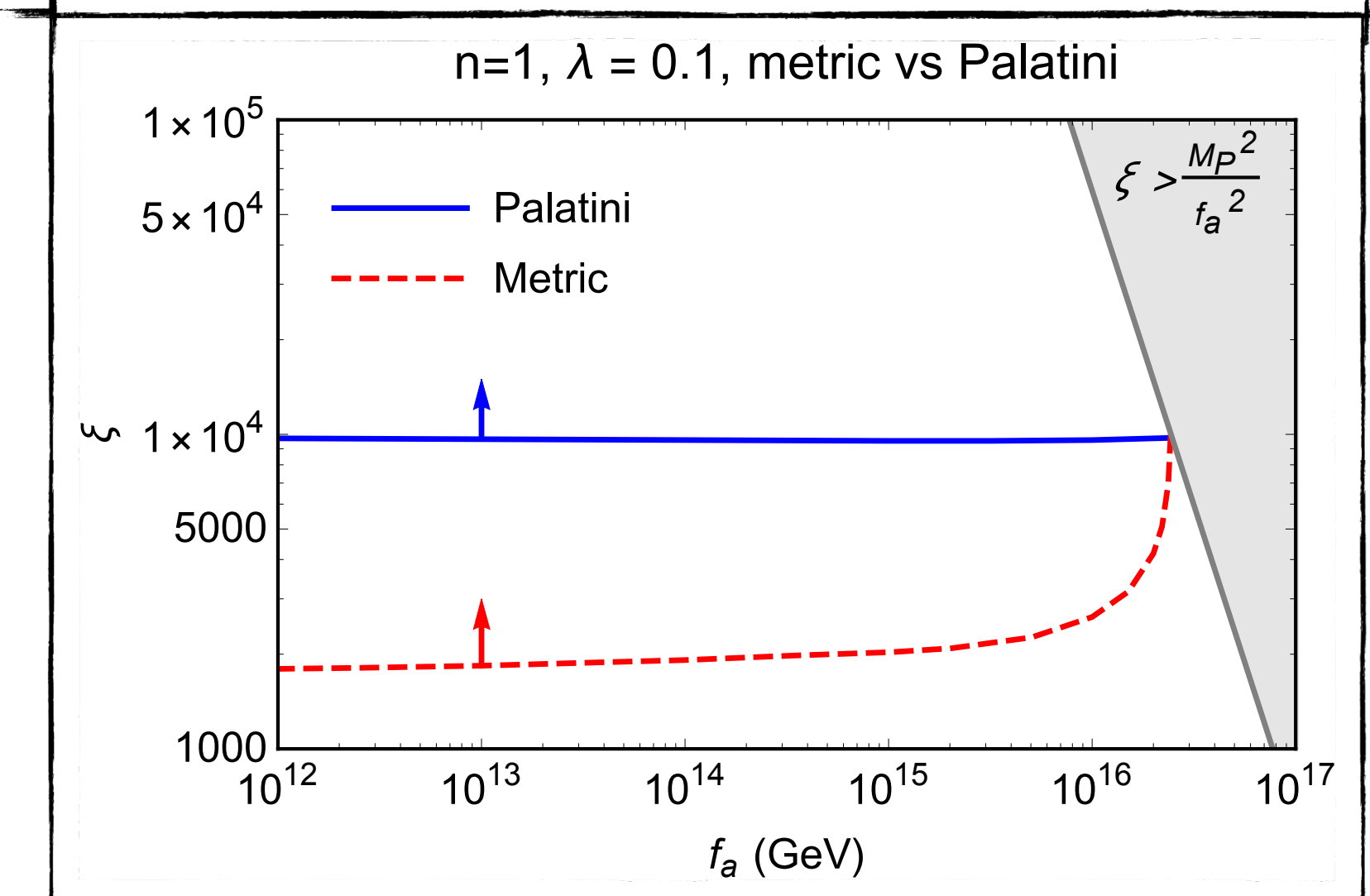
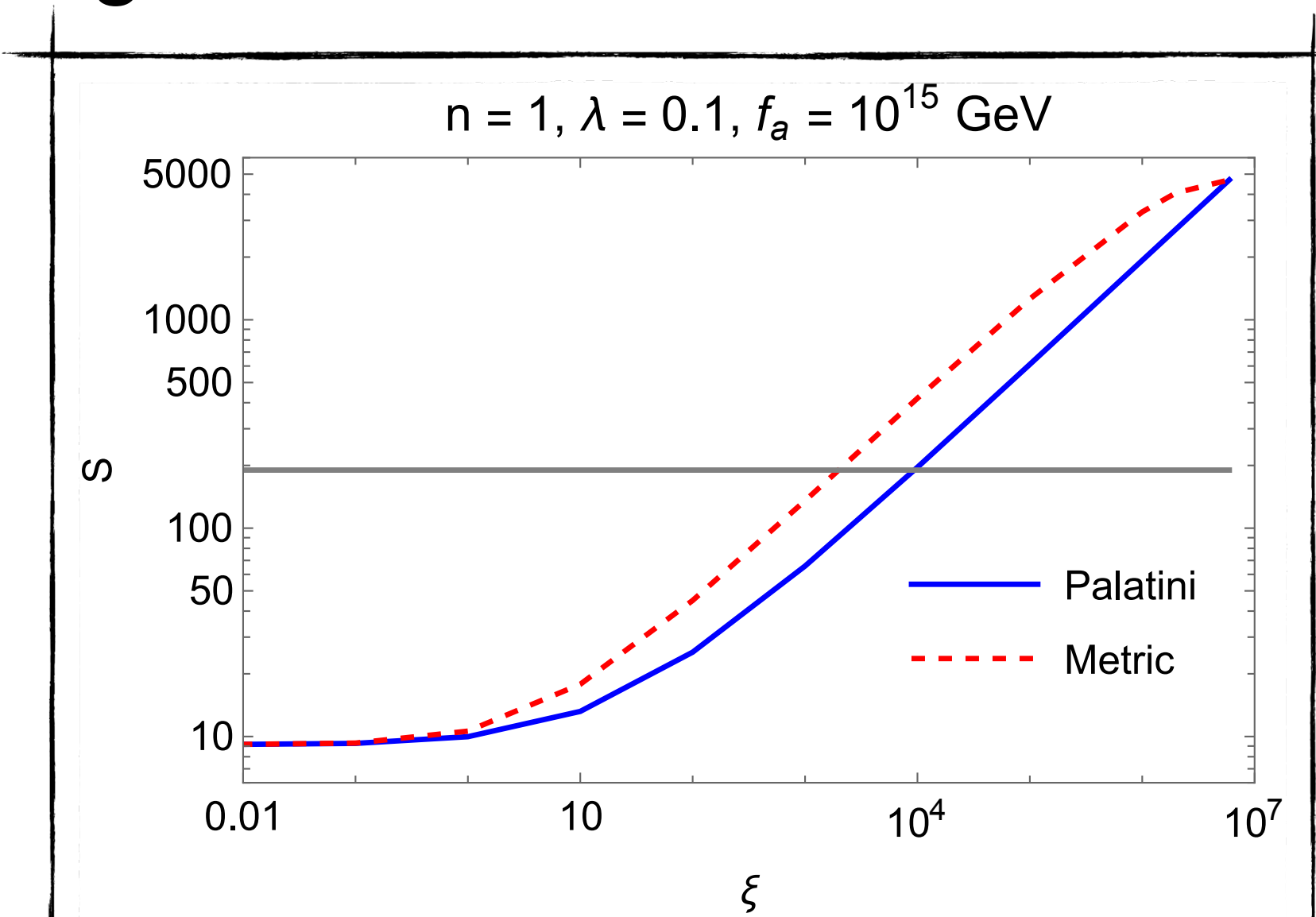
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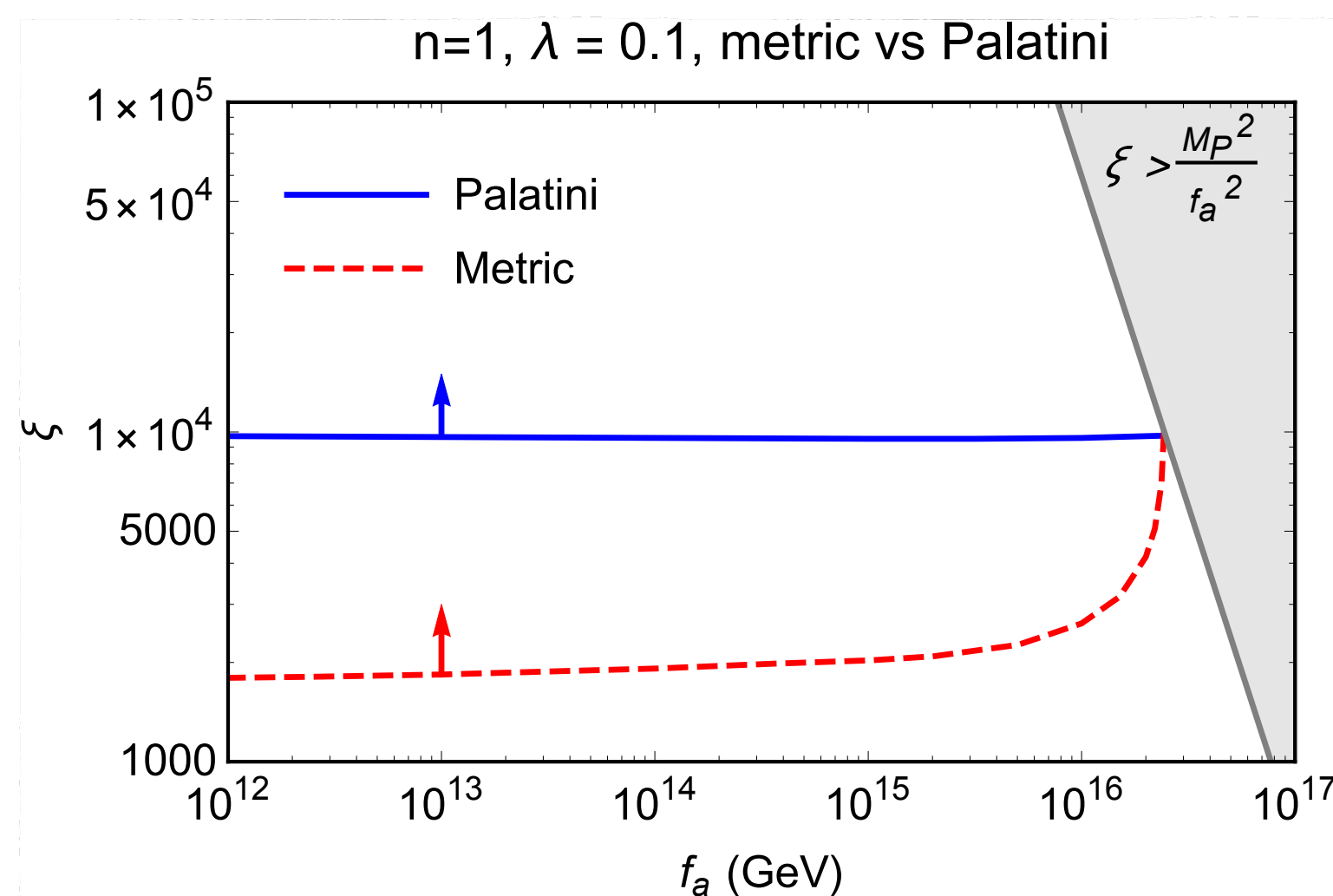
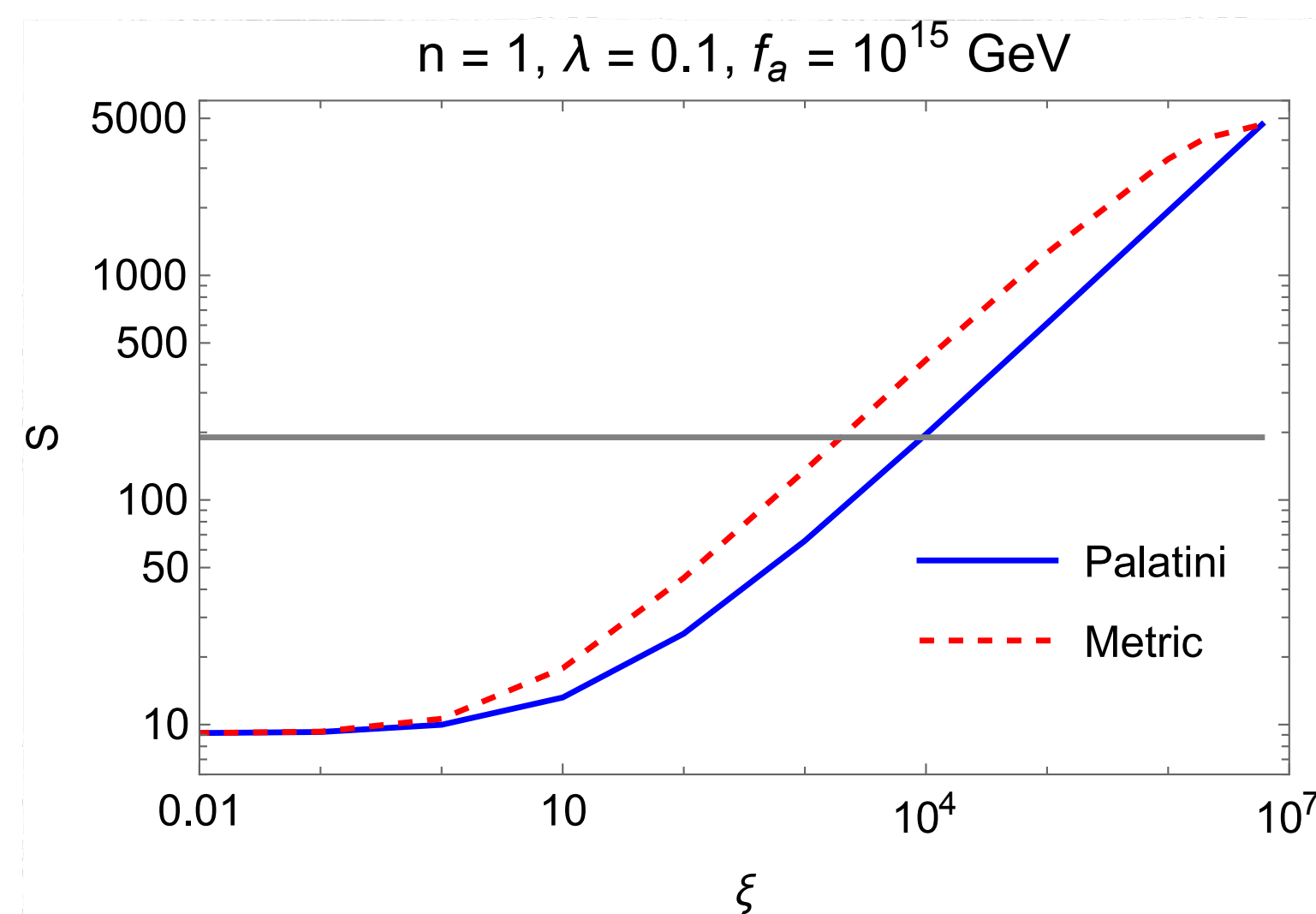


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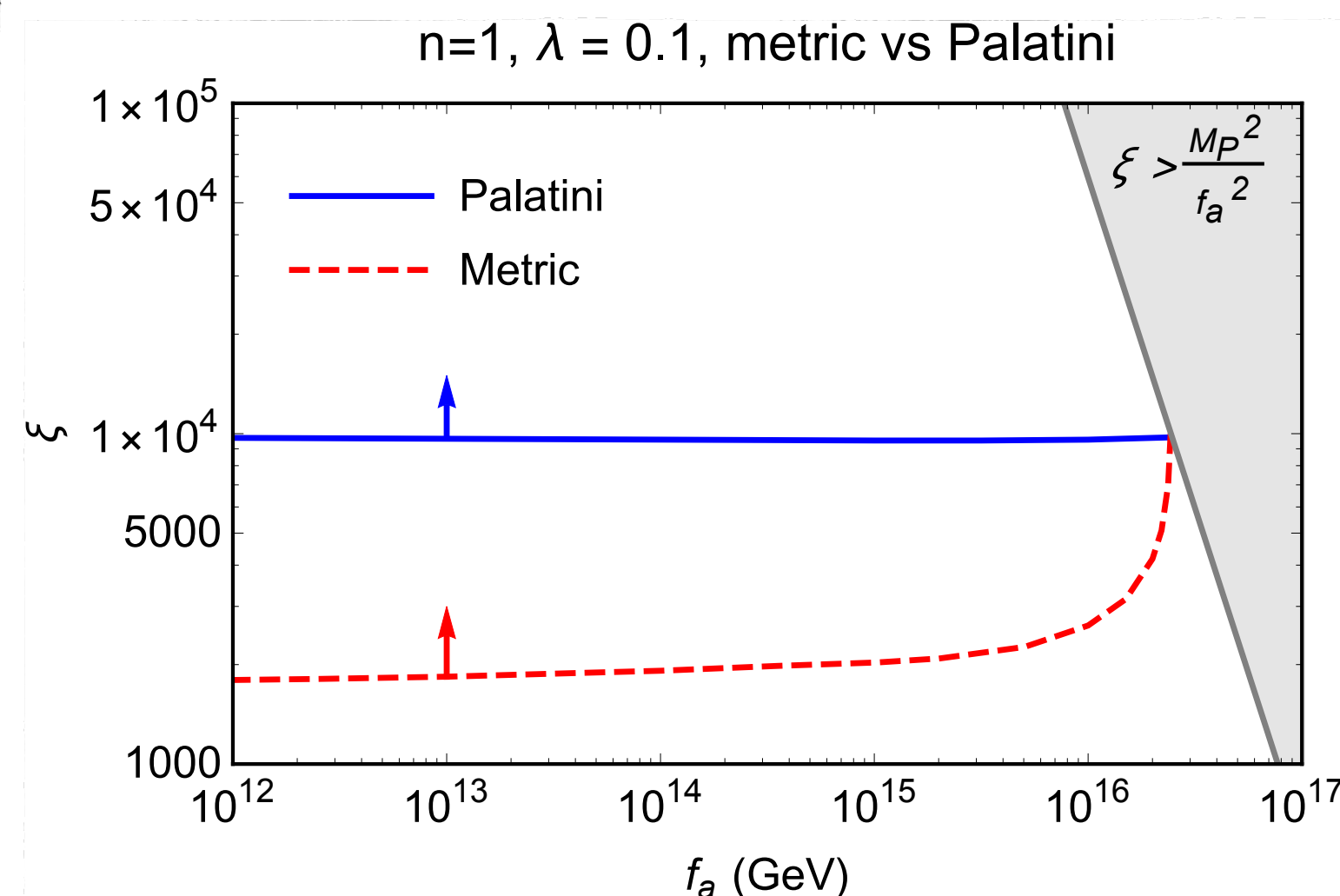
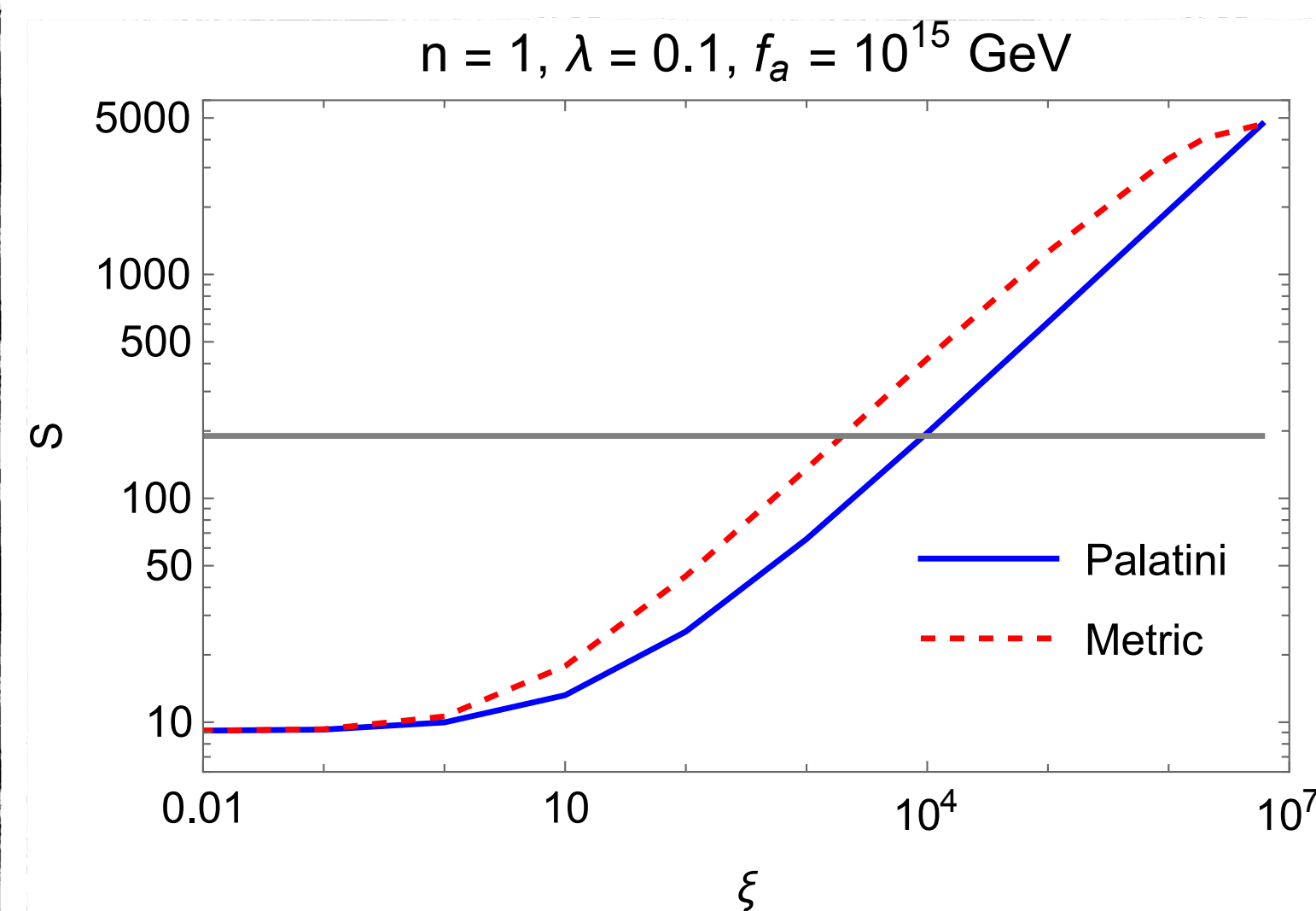
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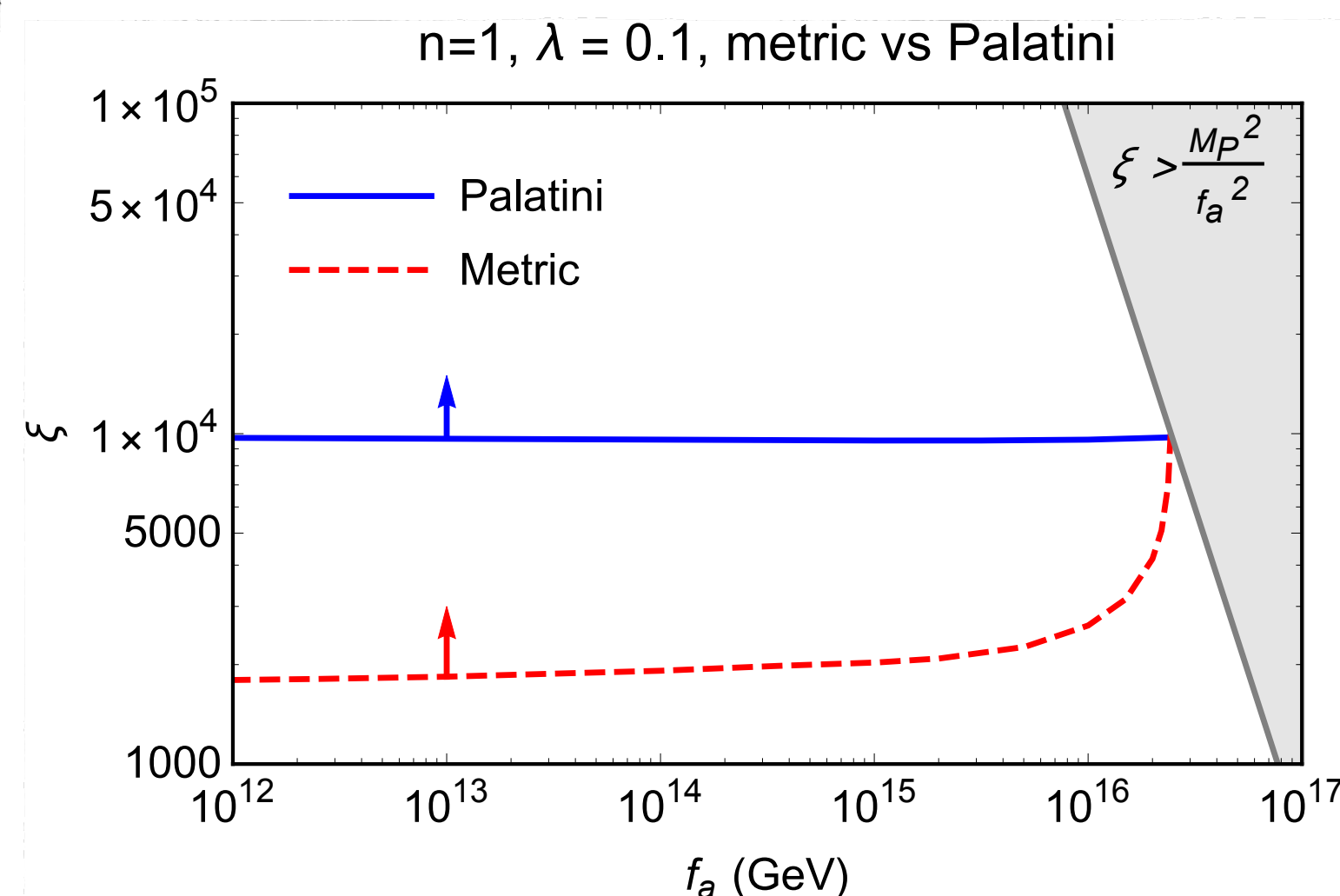
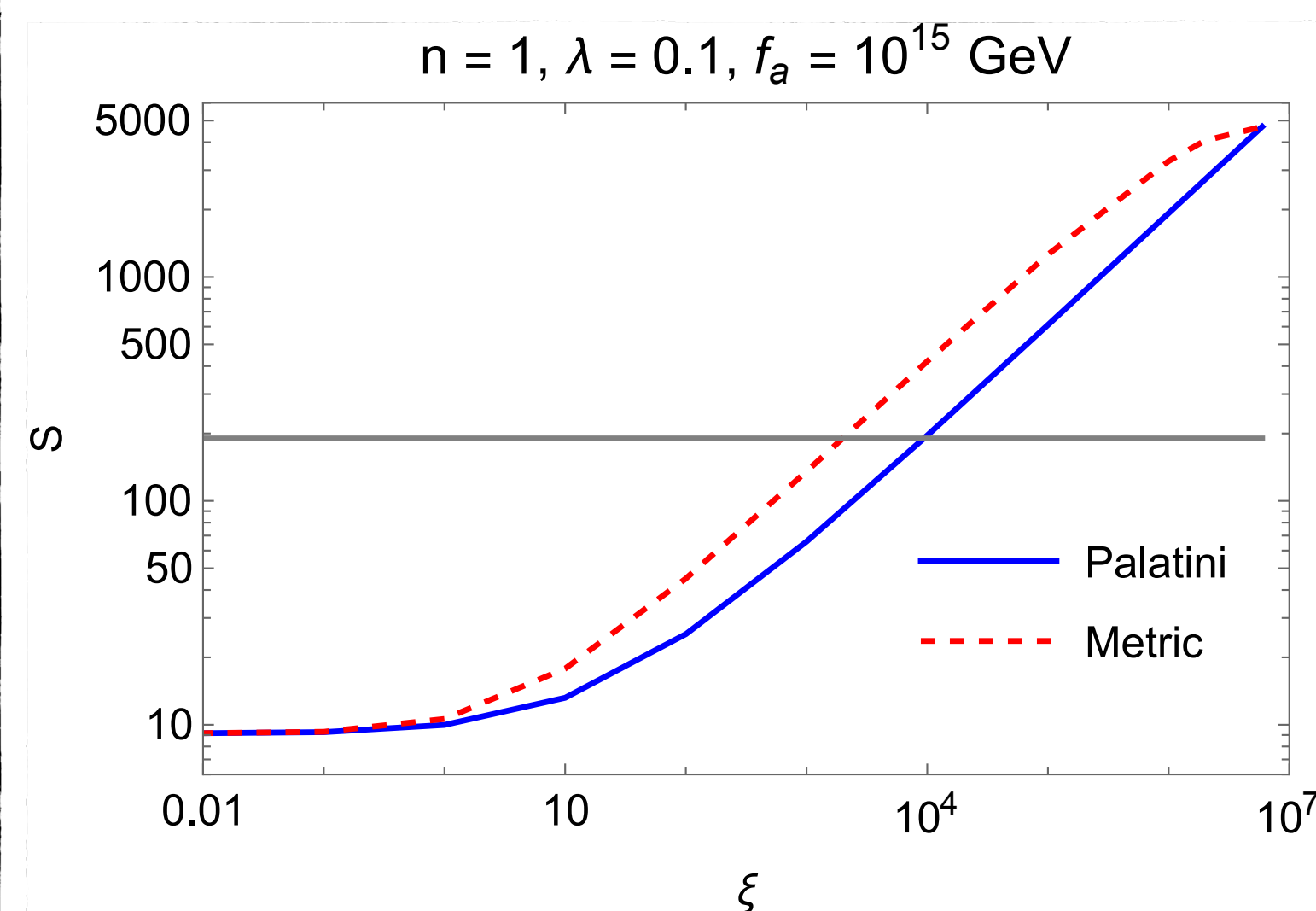
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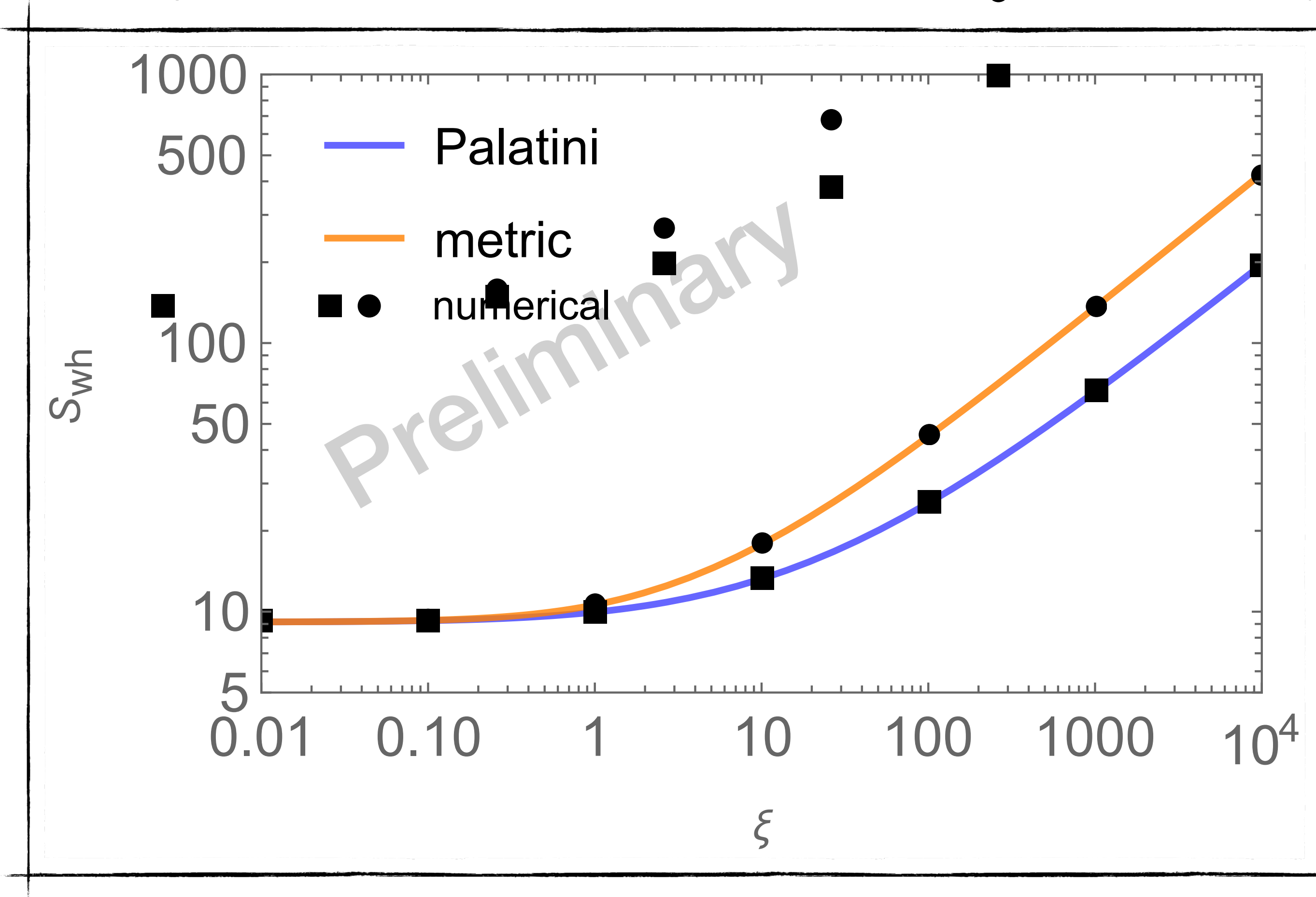


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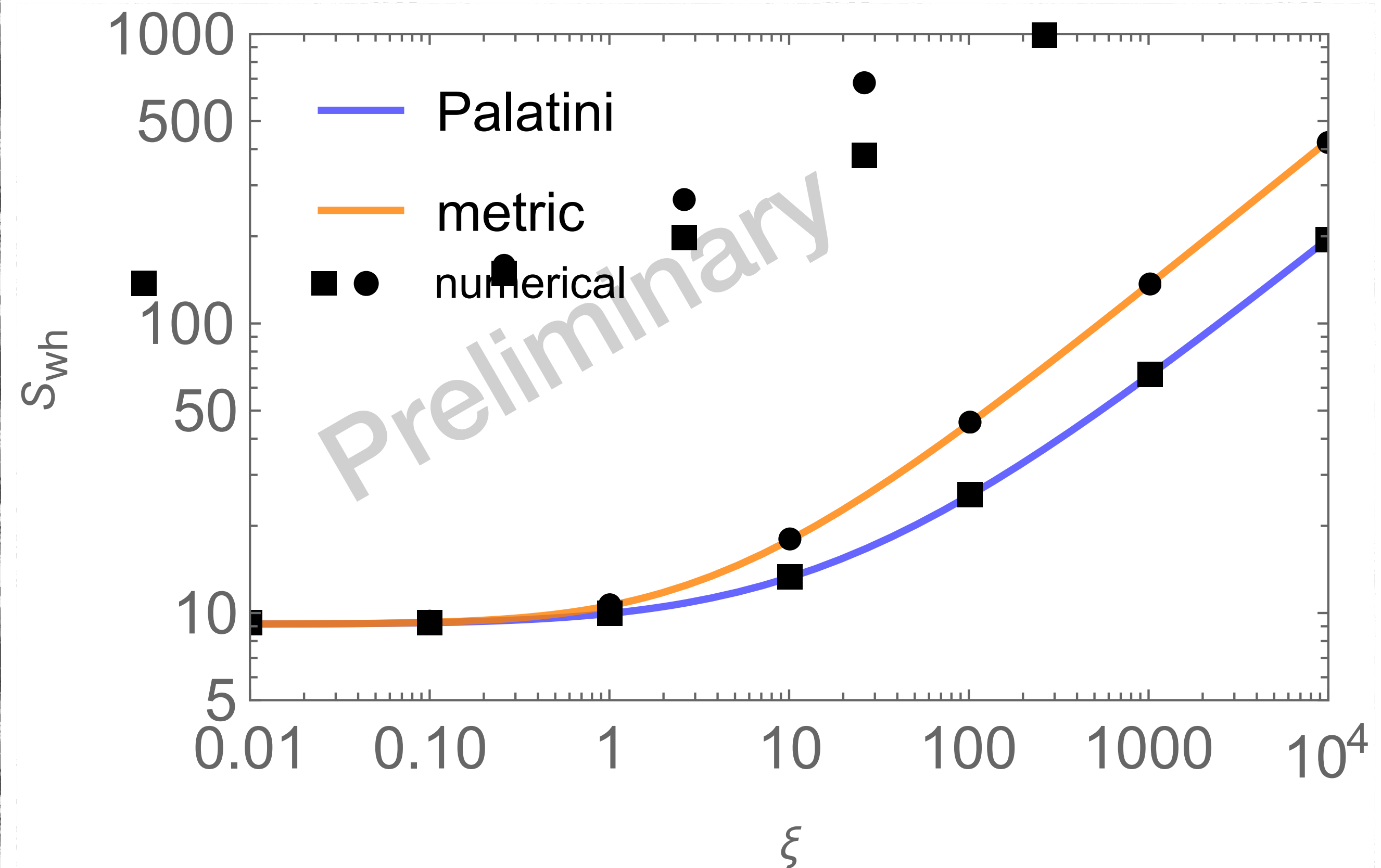


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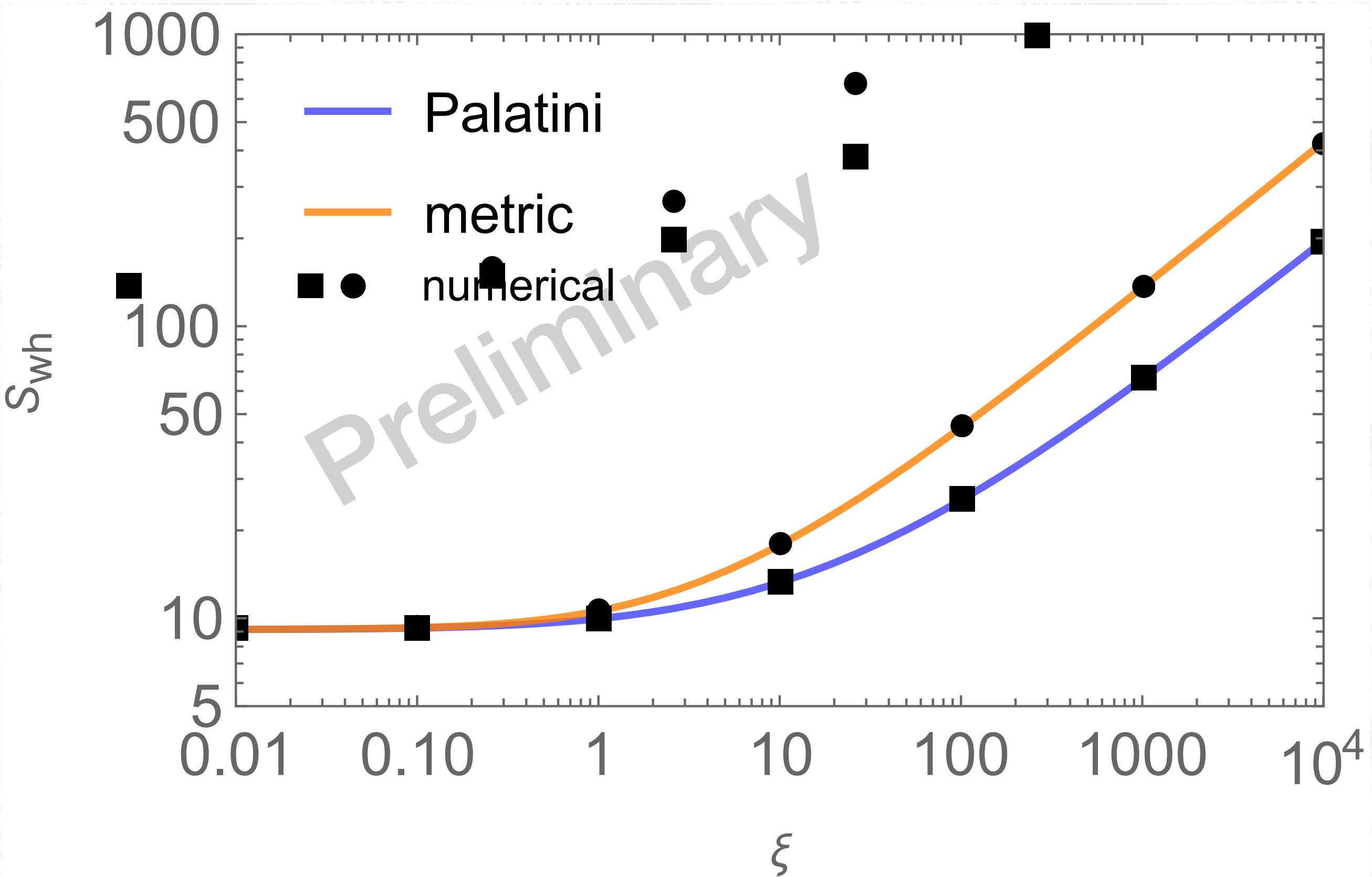
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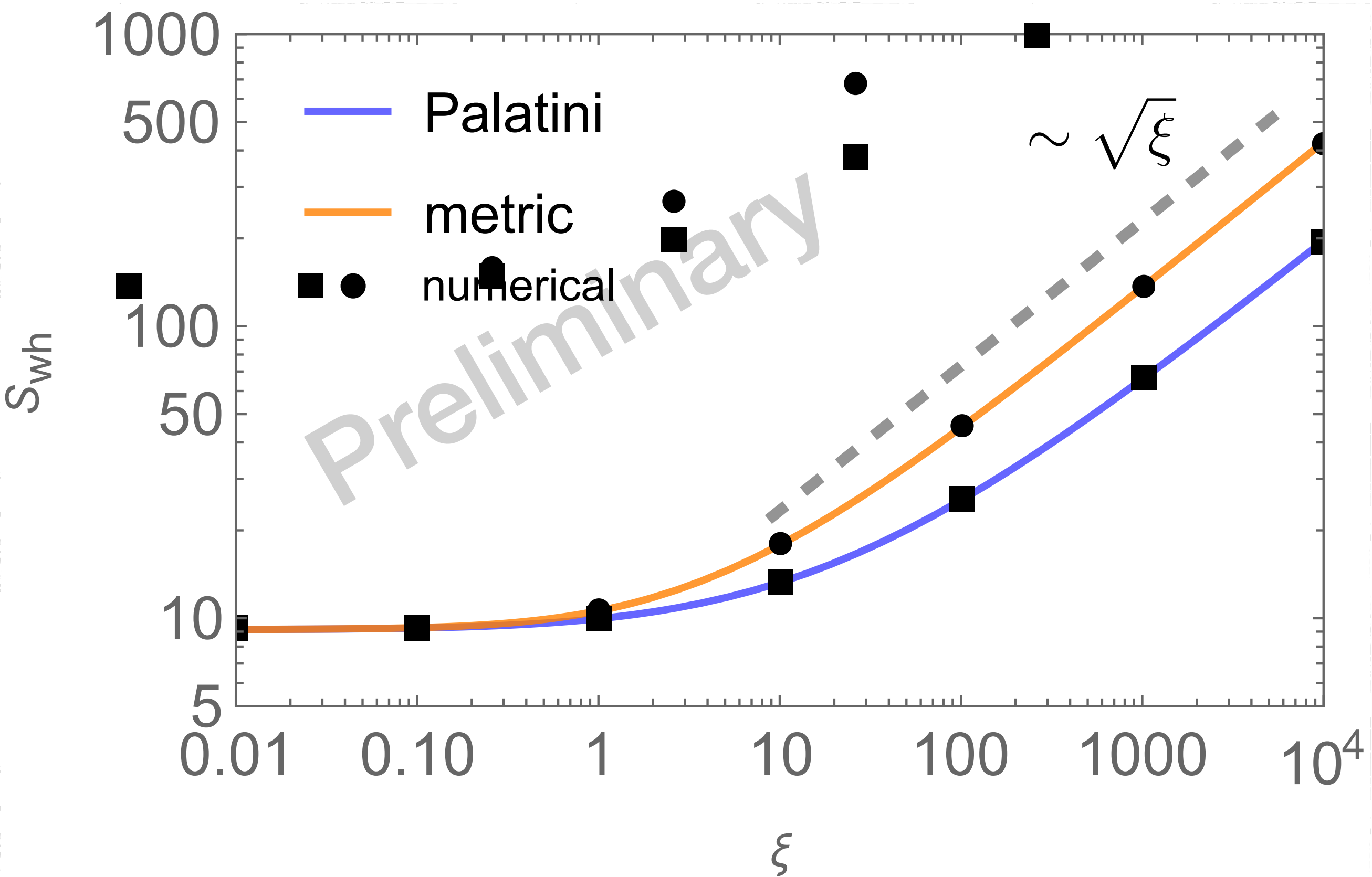
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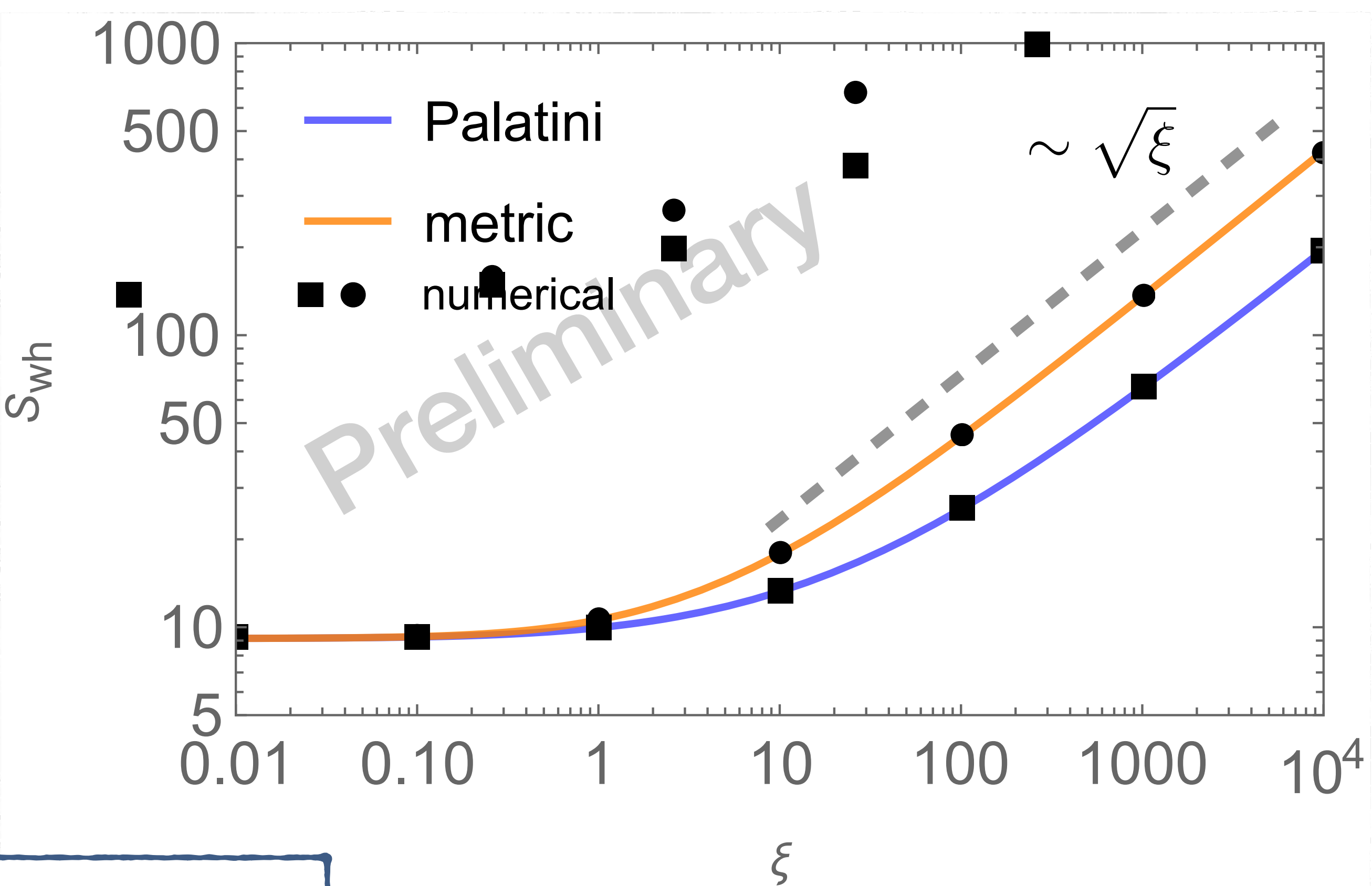
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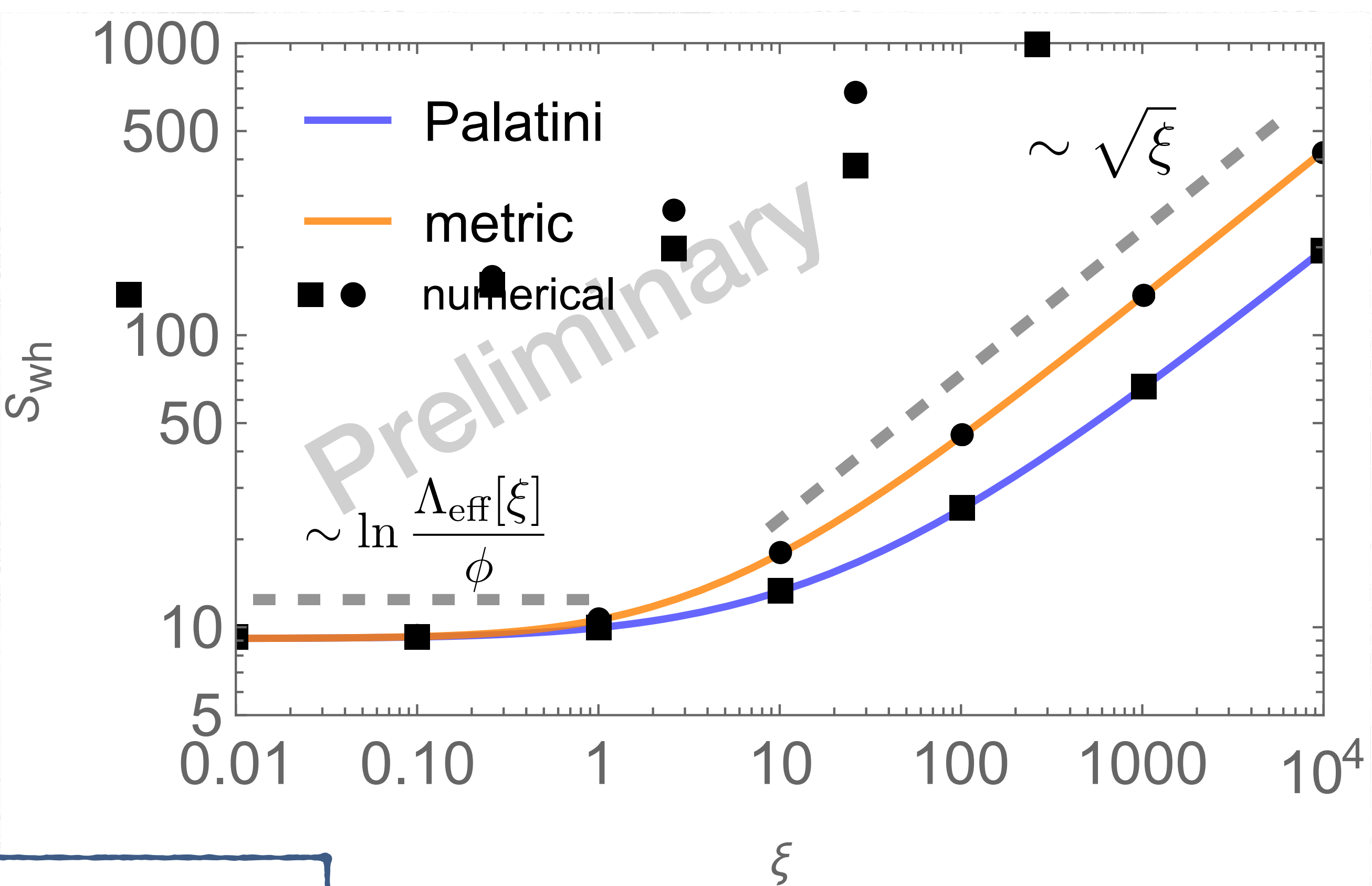
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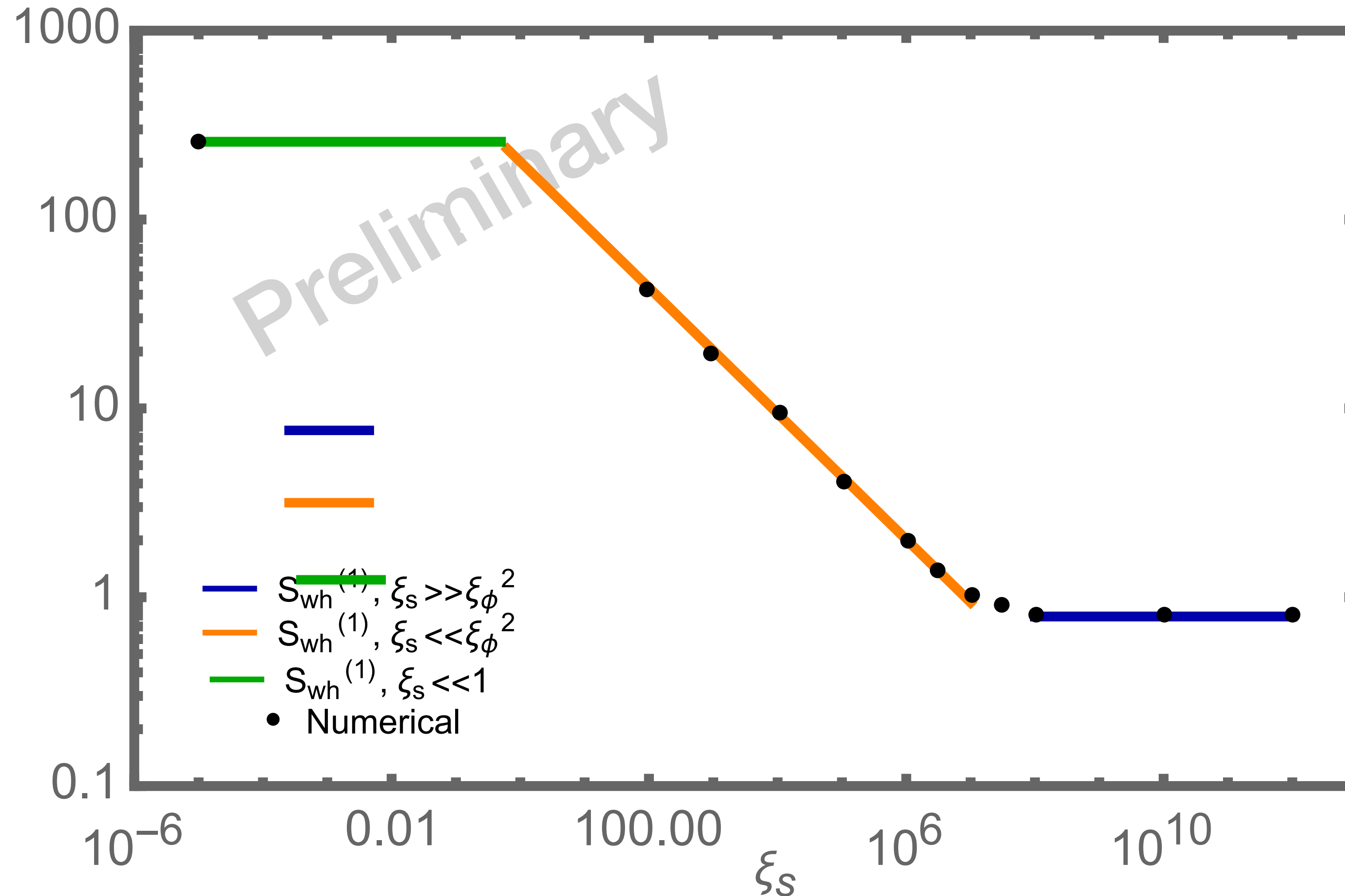
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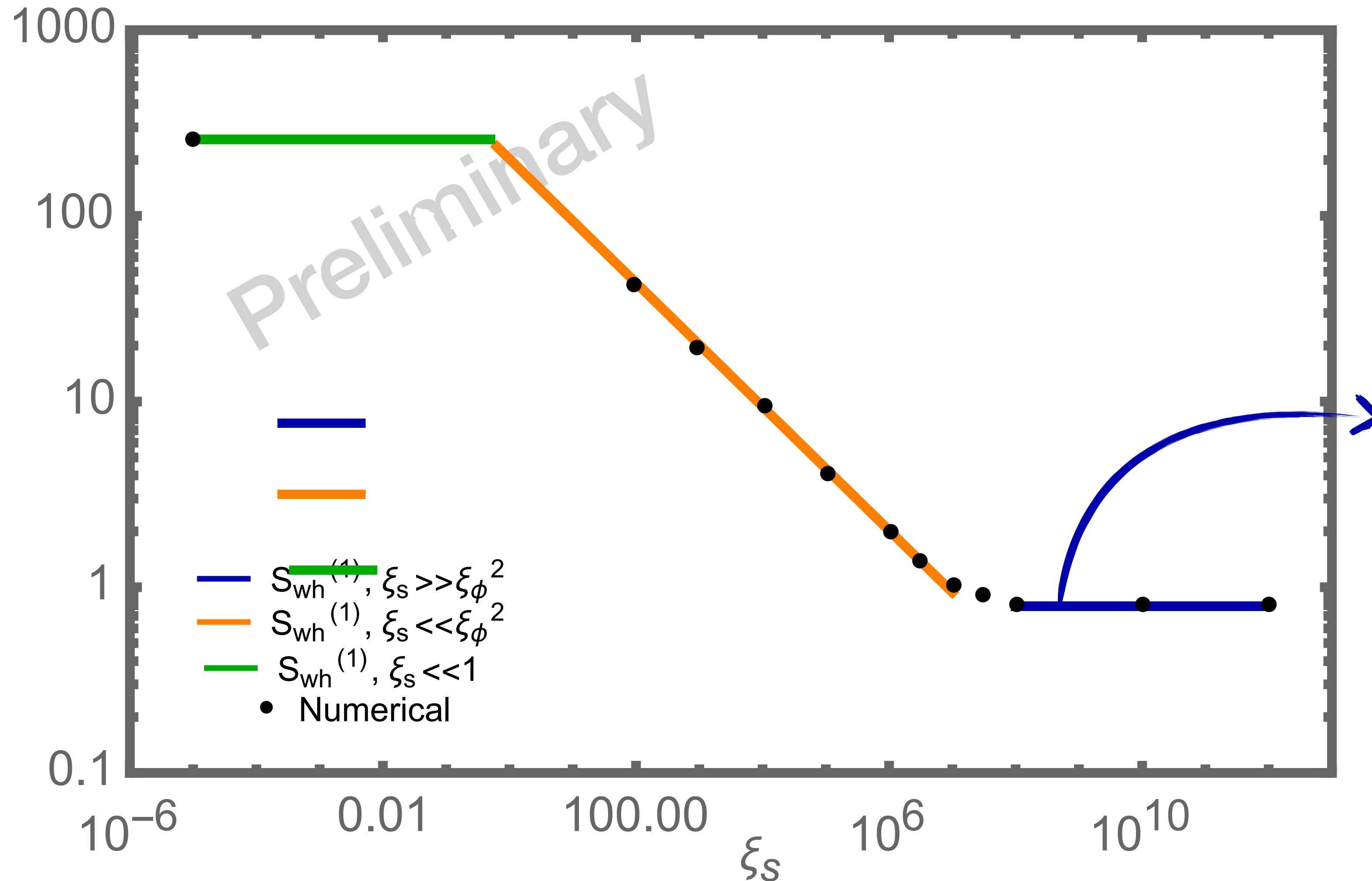
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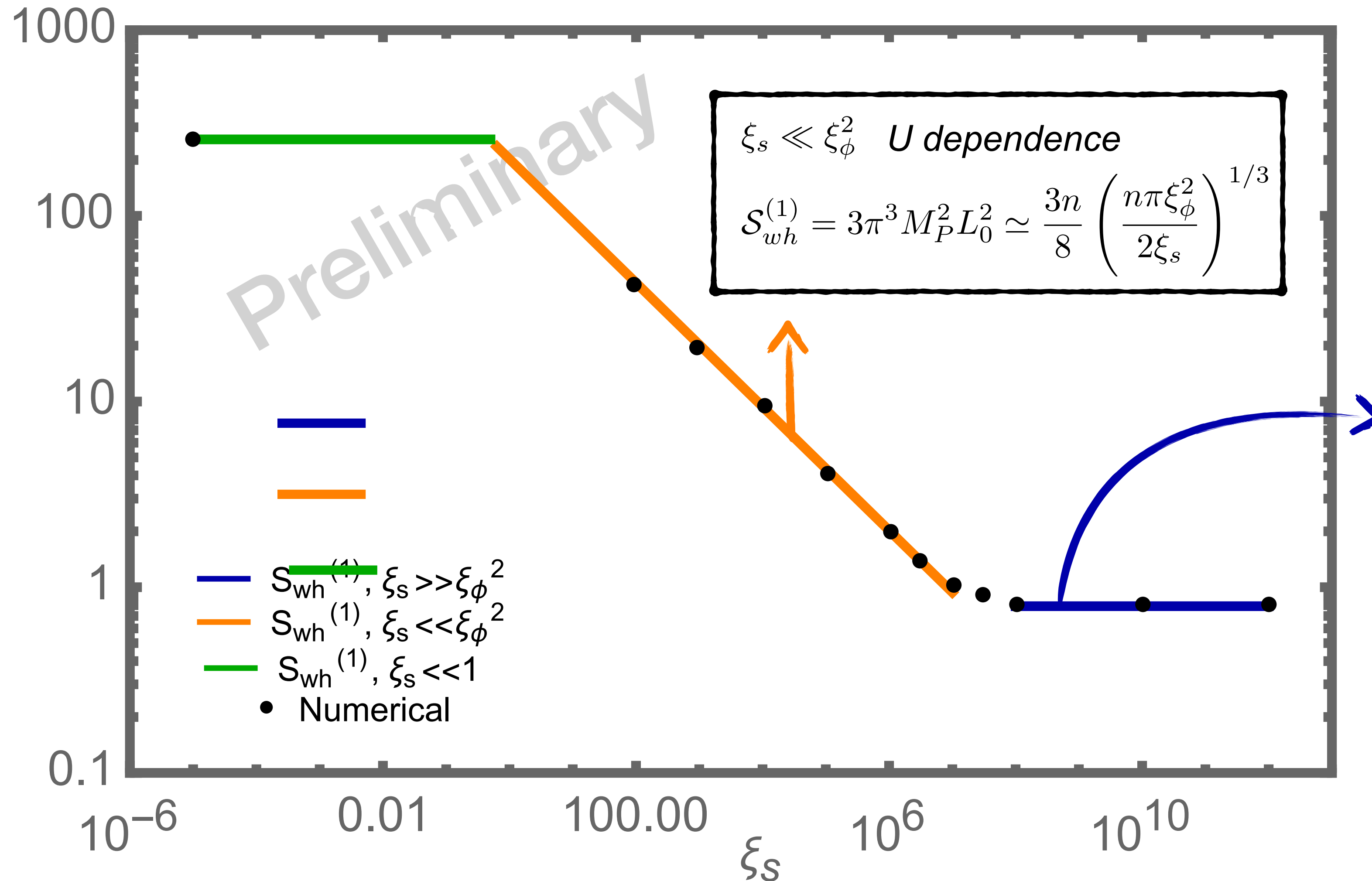
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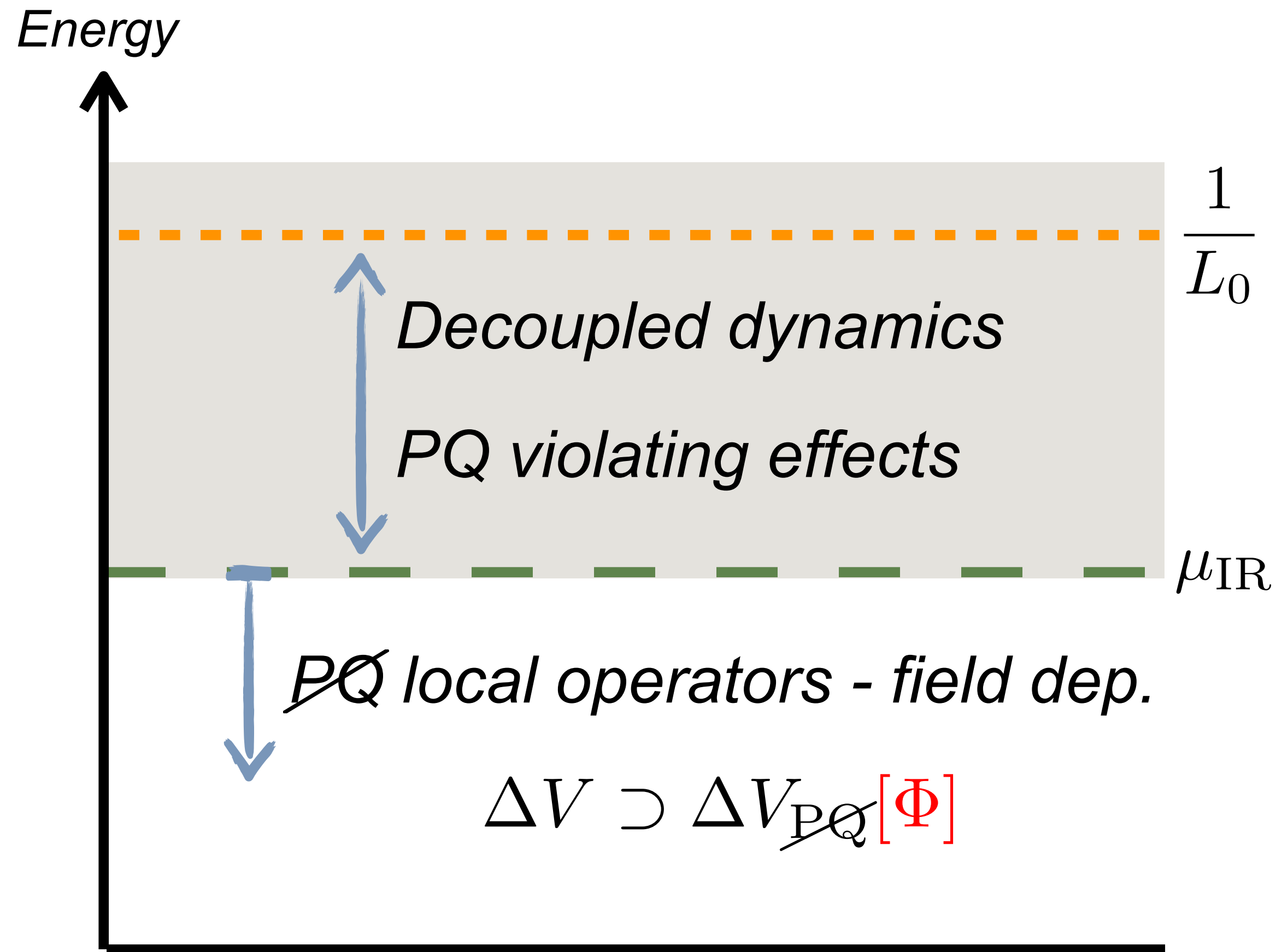
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Thank you!

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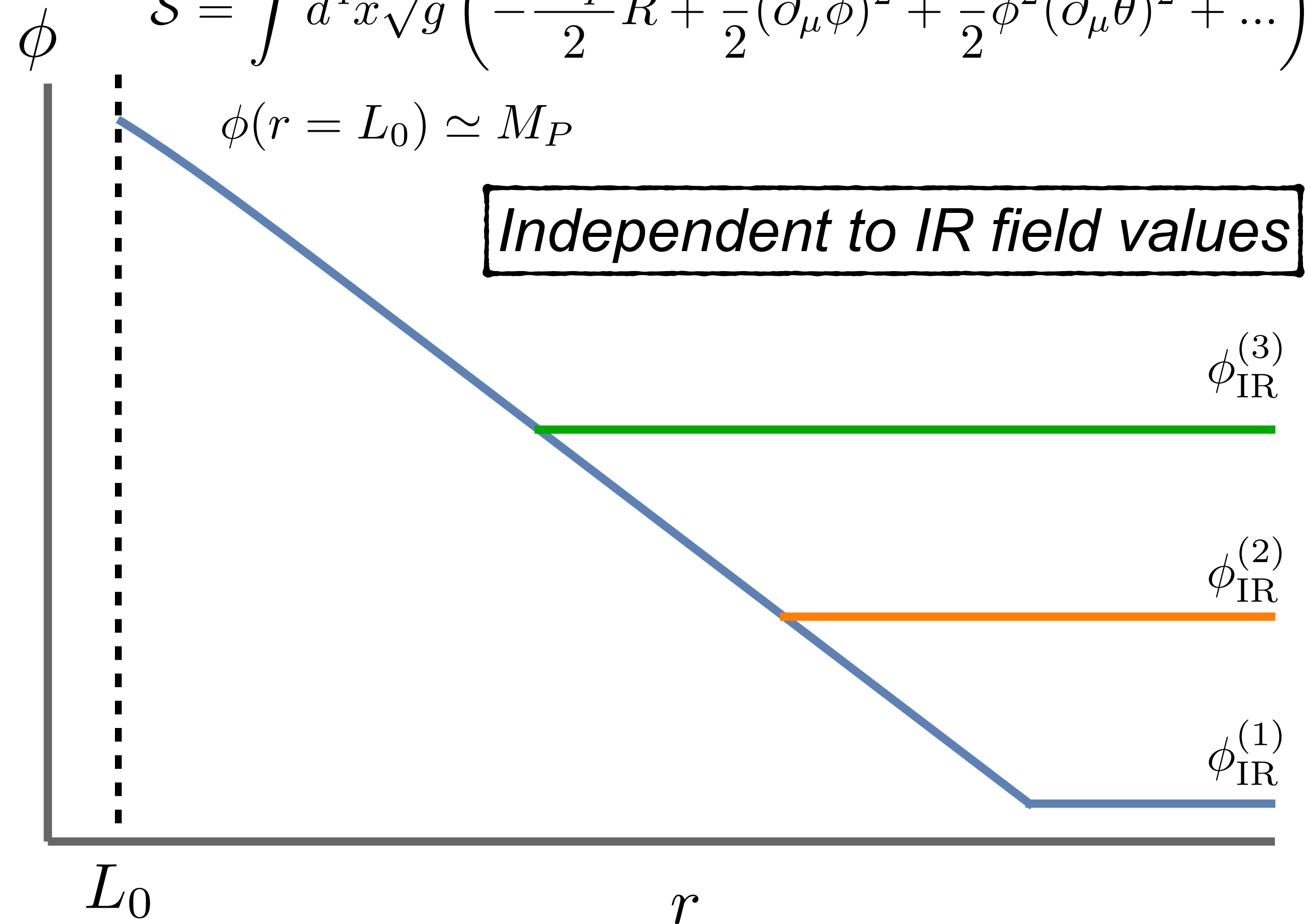


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Independent to IR field values



Backup Slides- Axion Quality Problem and non-minimal gravity

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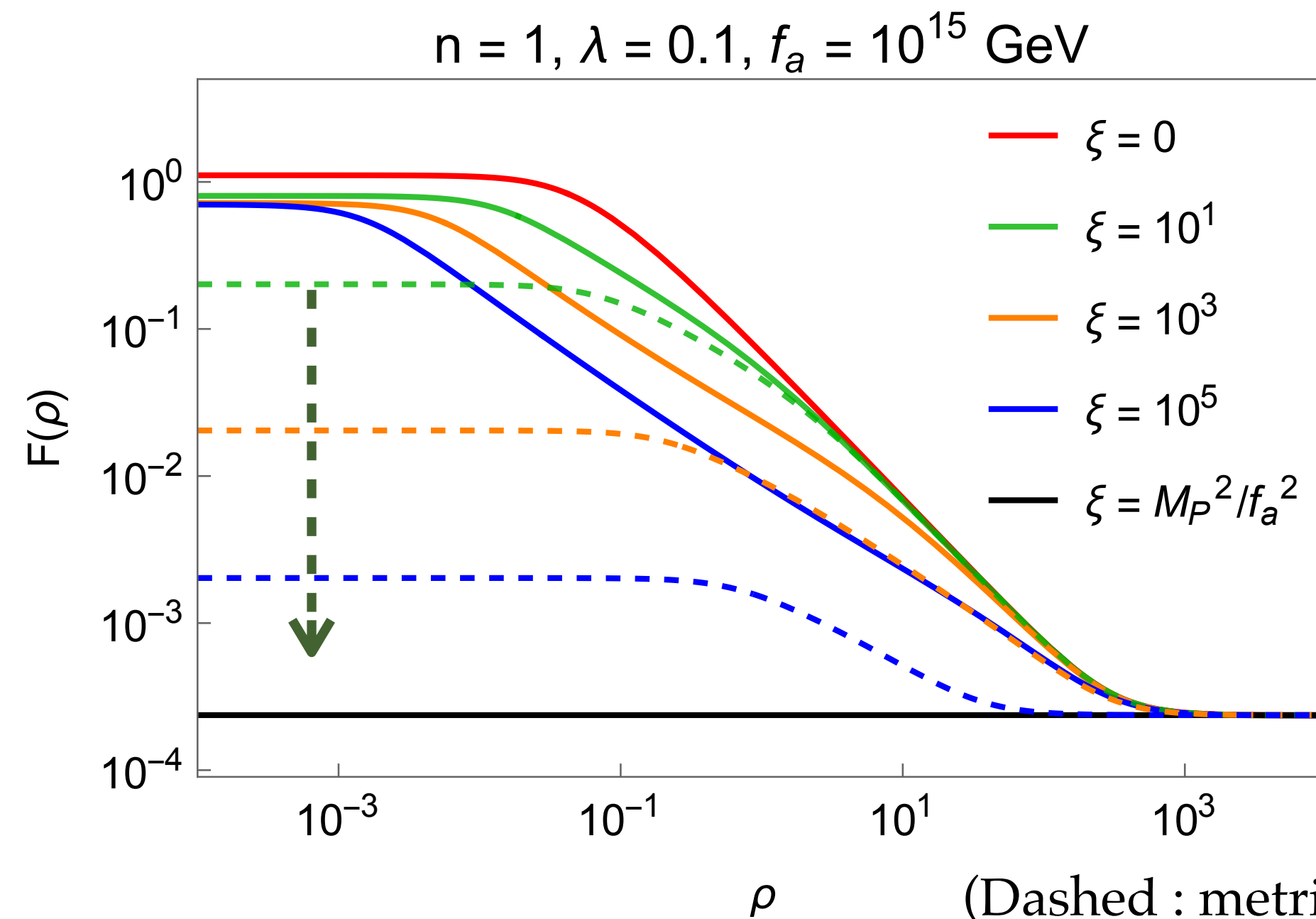
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An Effective Approach for Axion Wormholes

