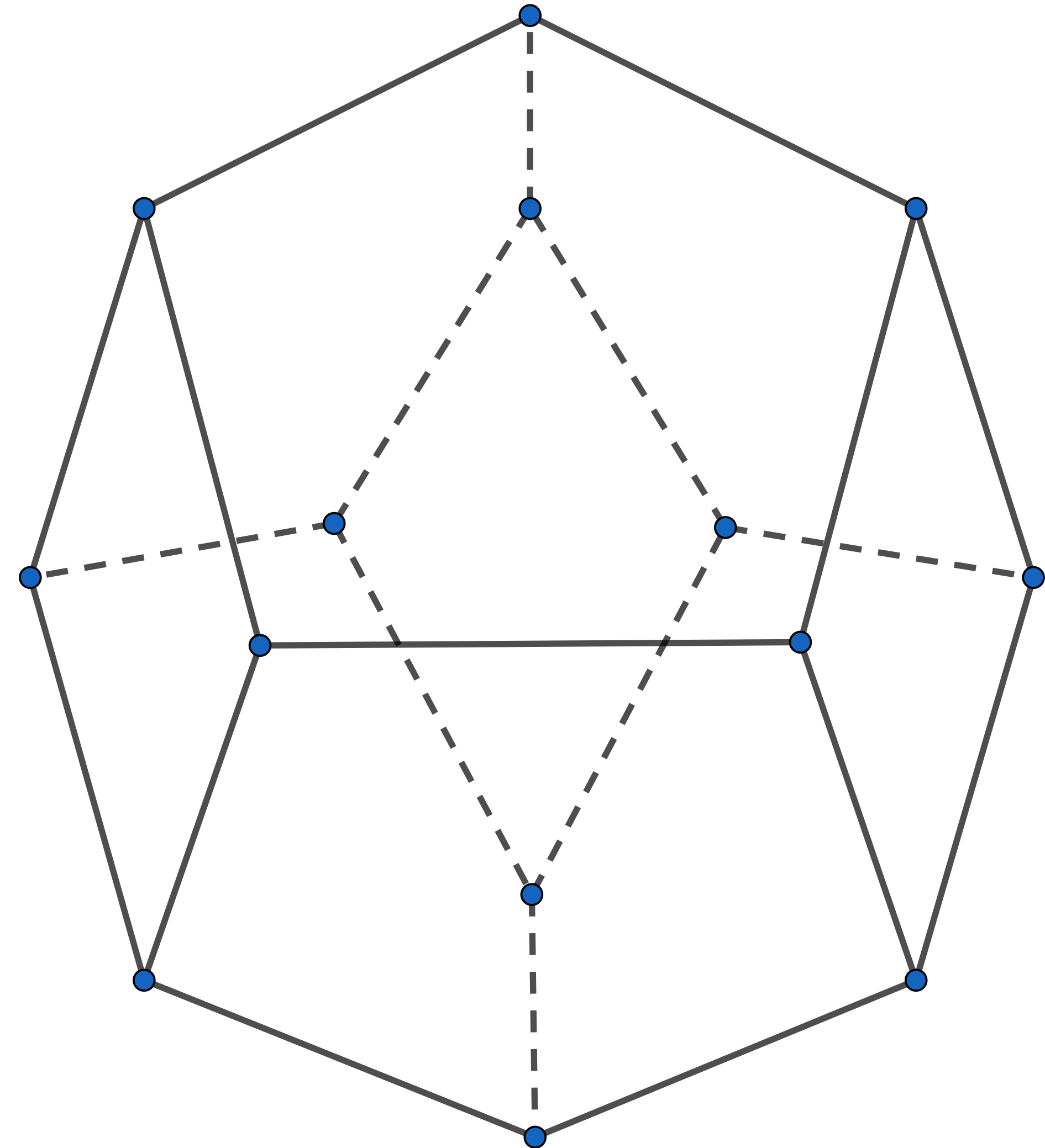


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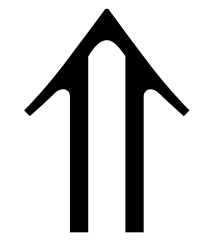
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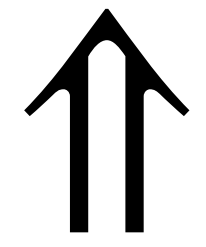


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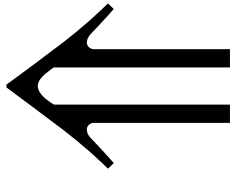


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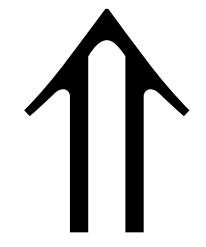


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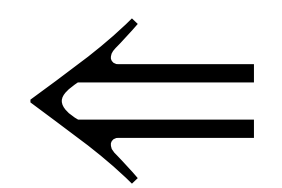
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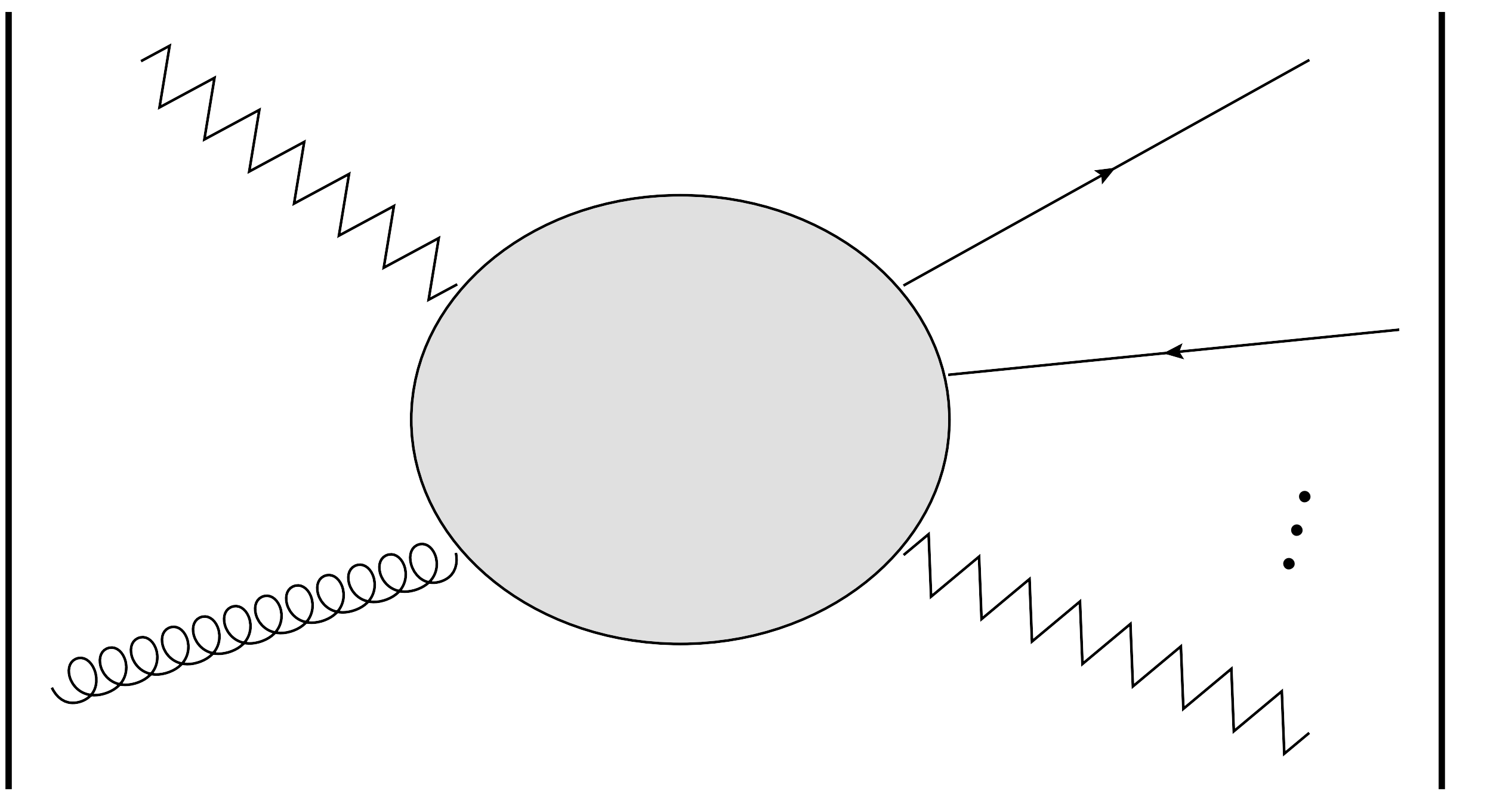
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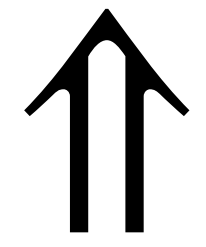


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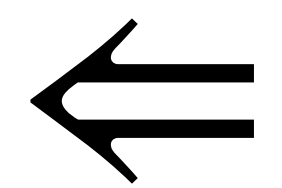
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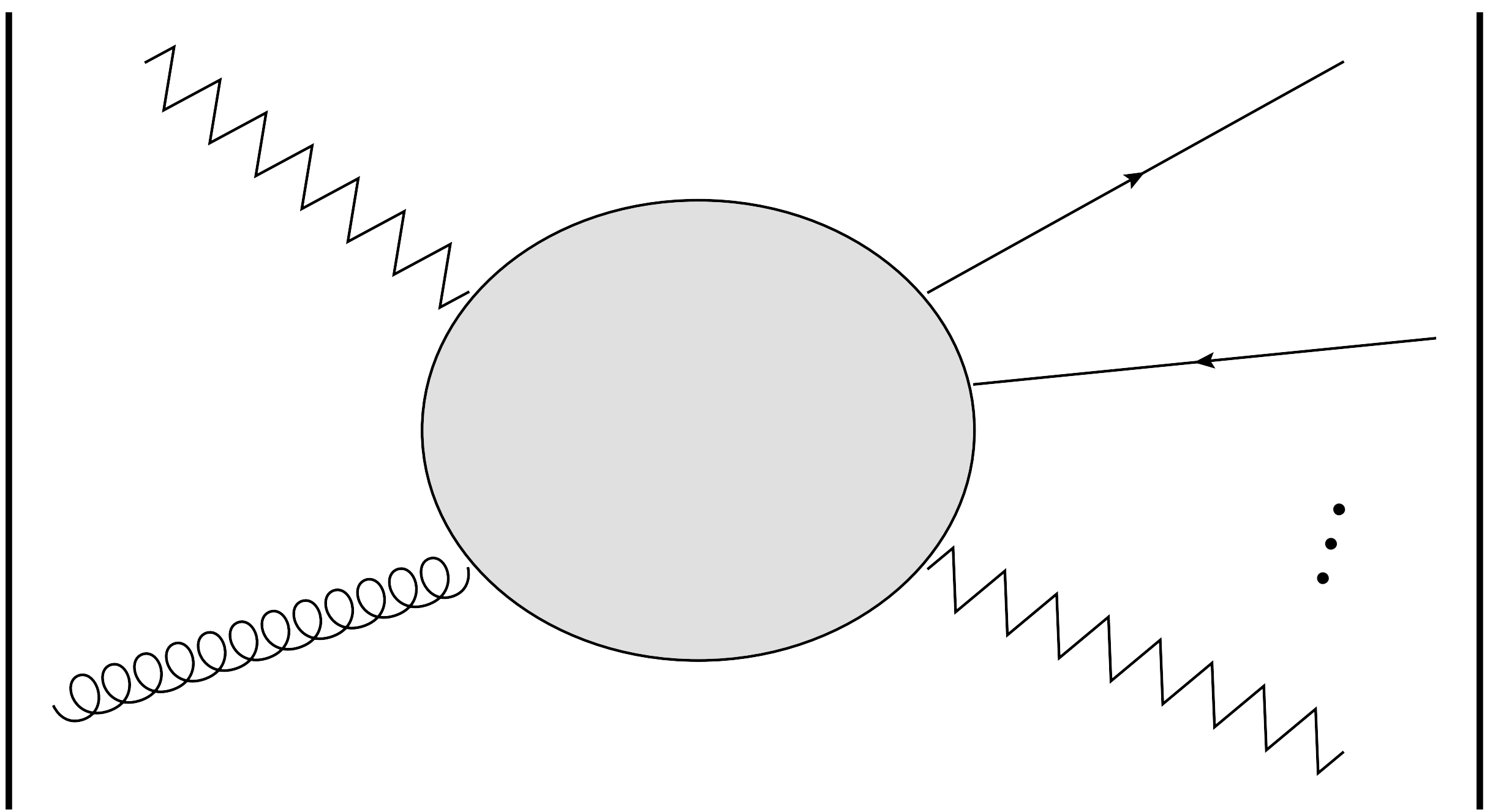
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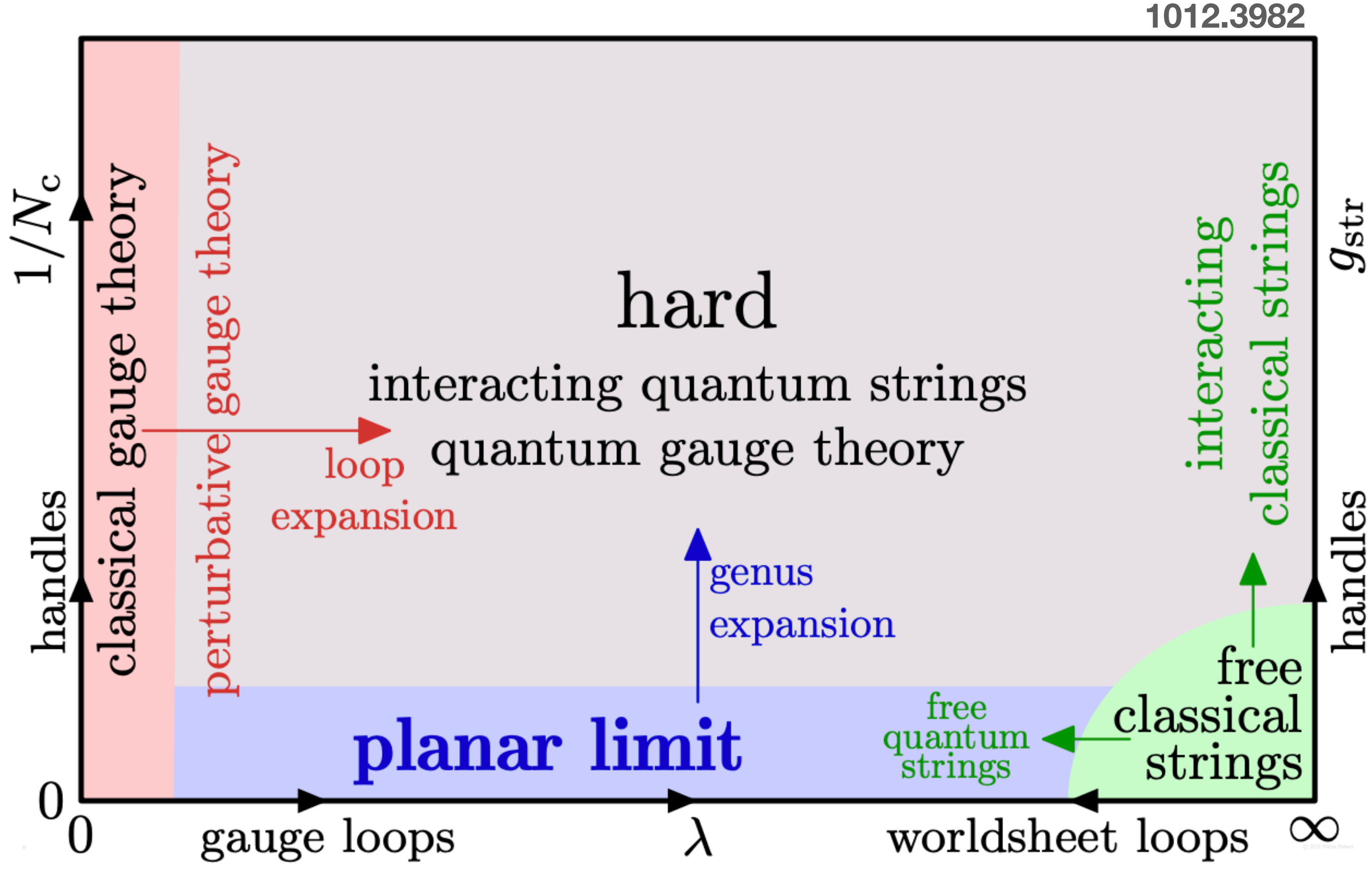
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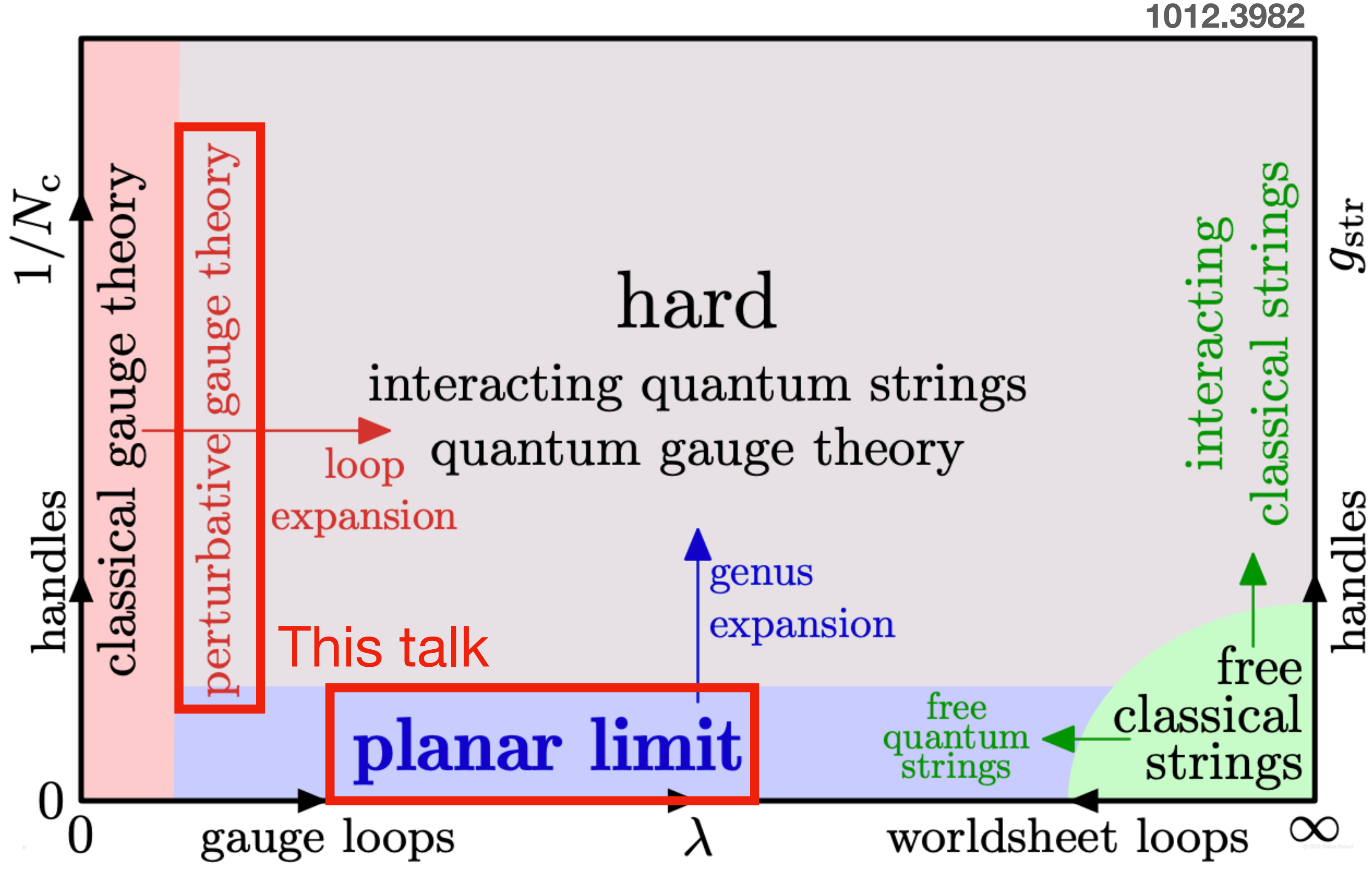


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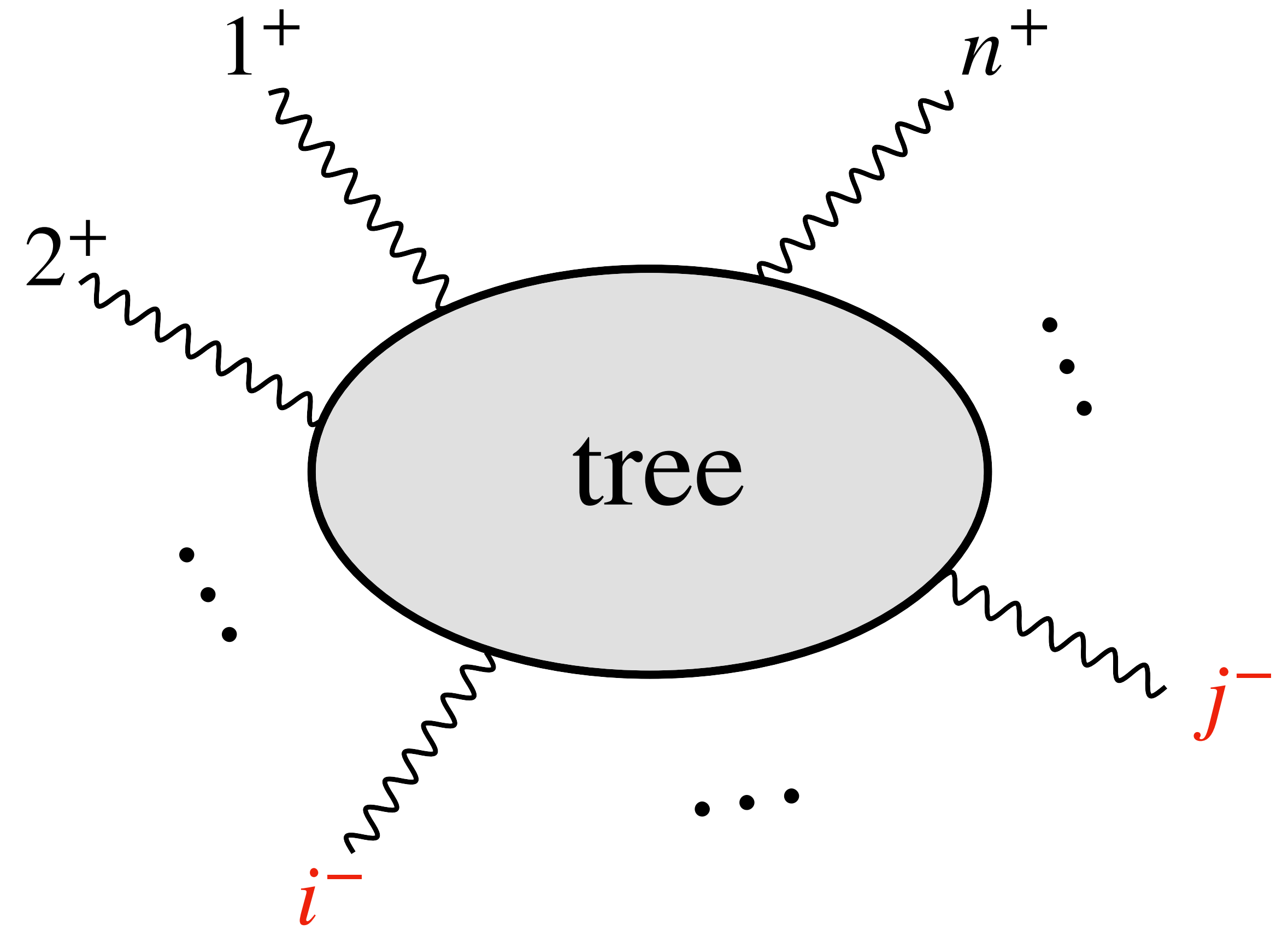


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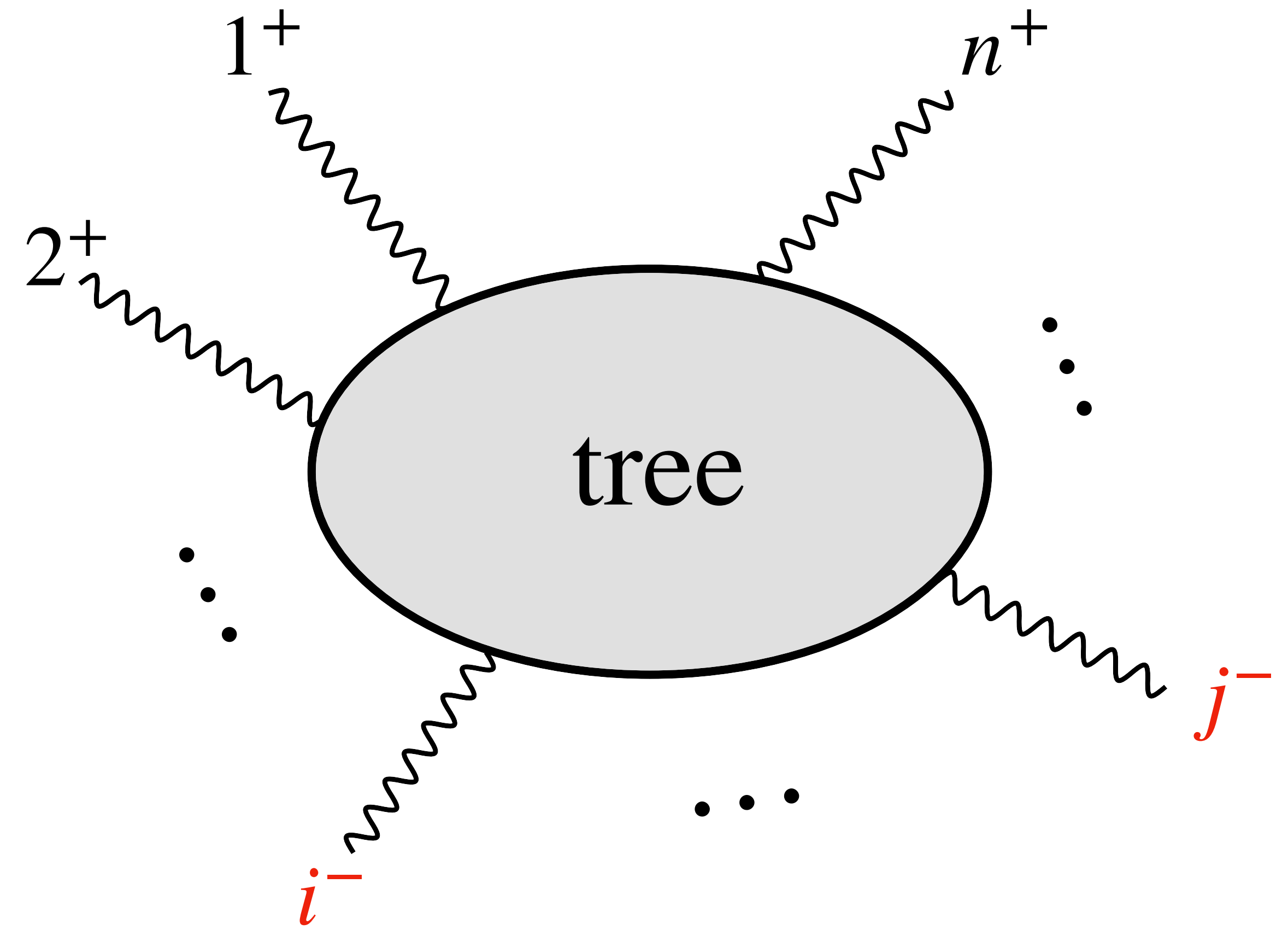
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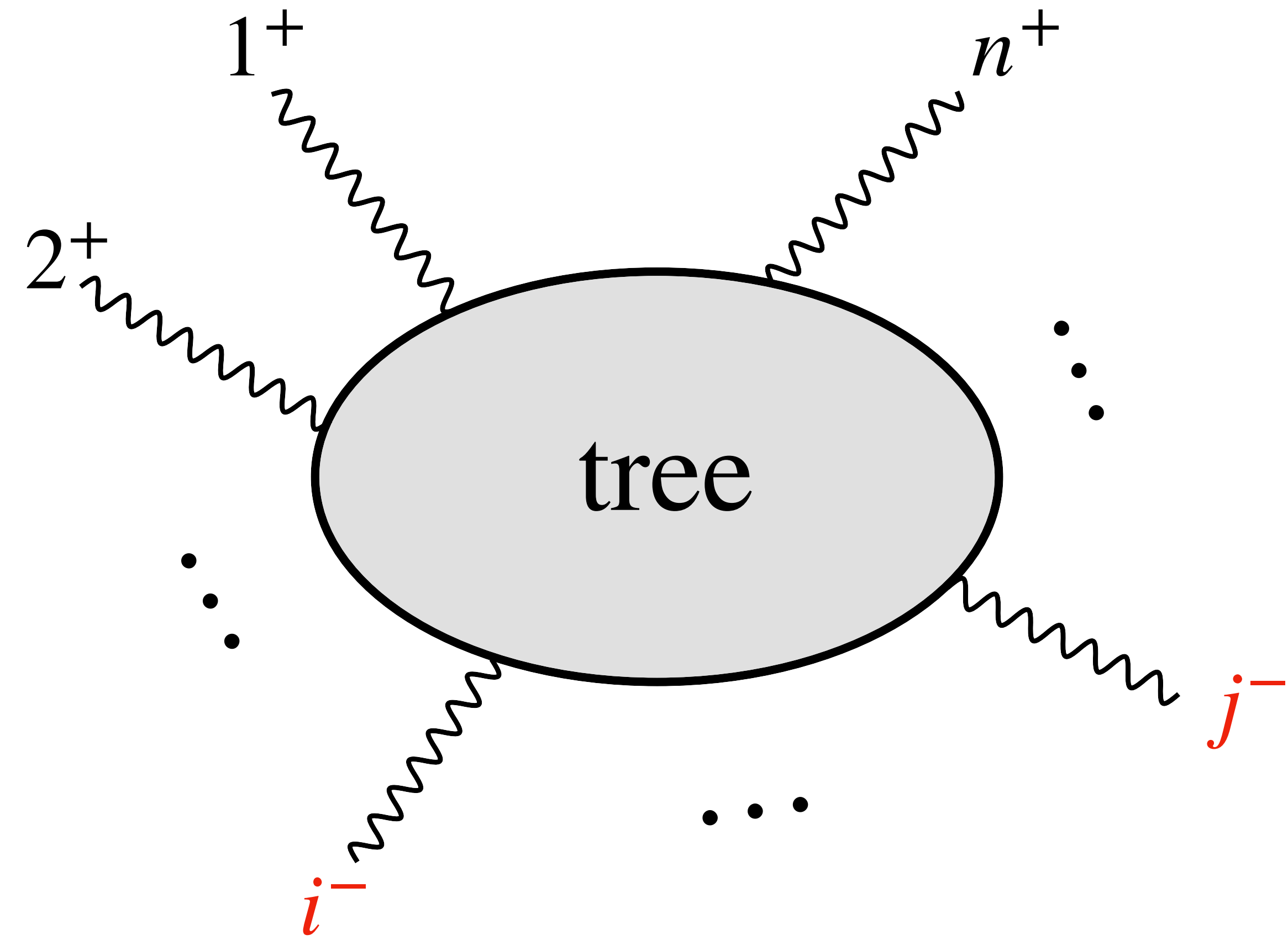


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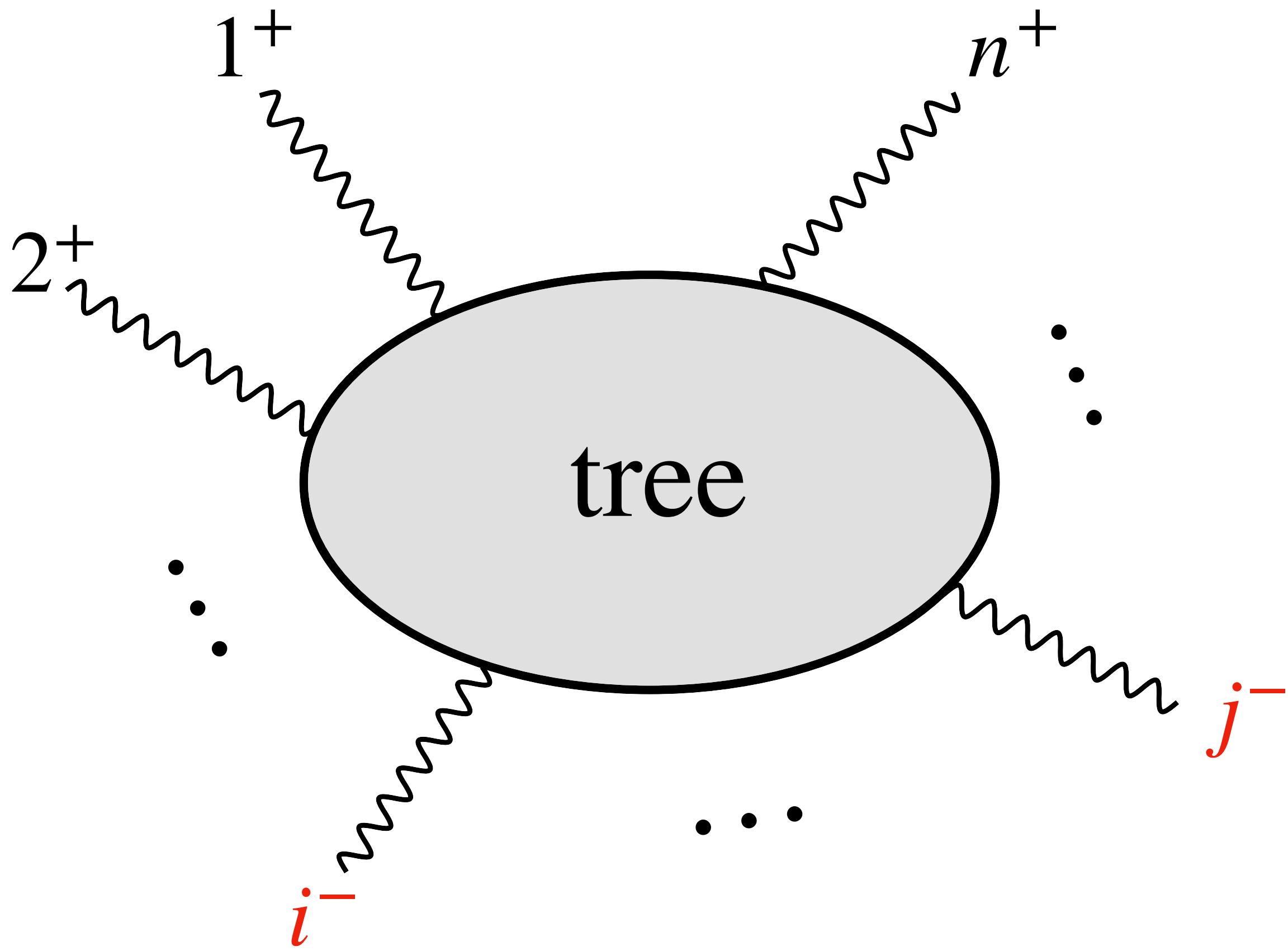
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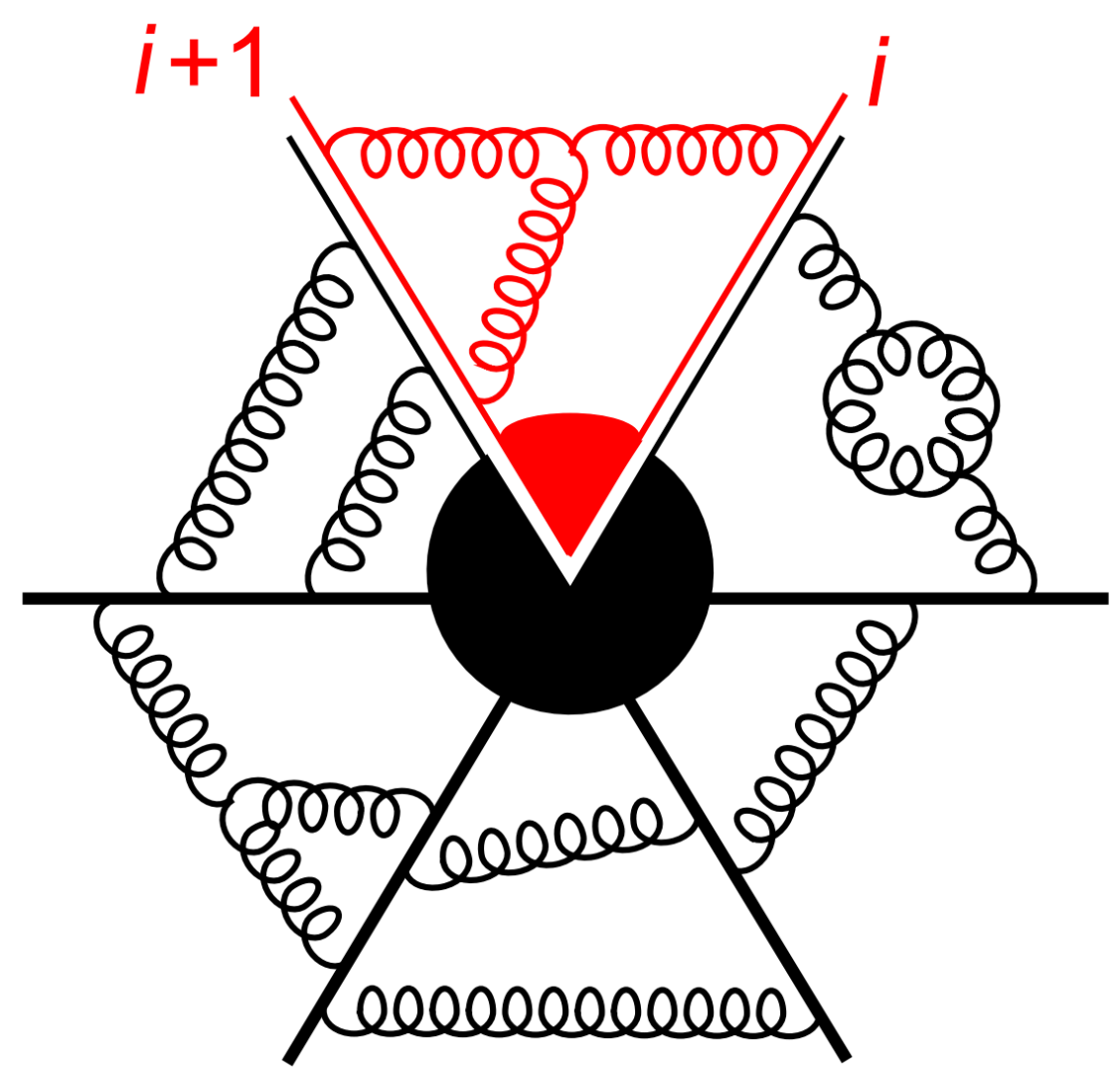
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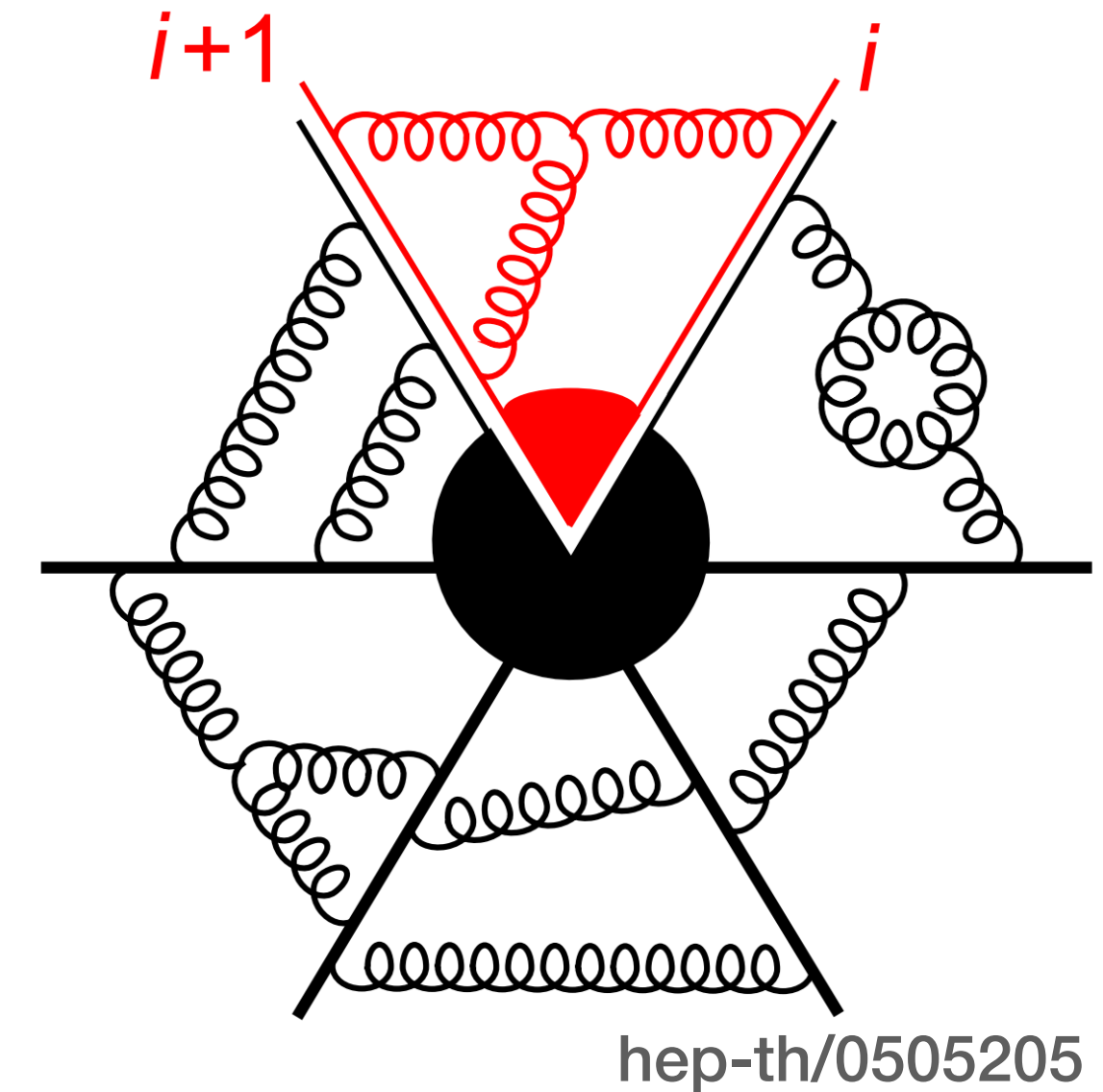
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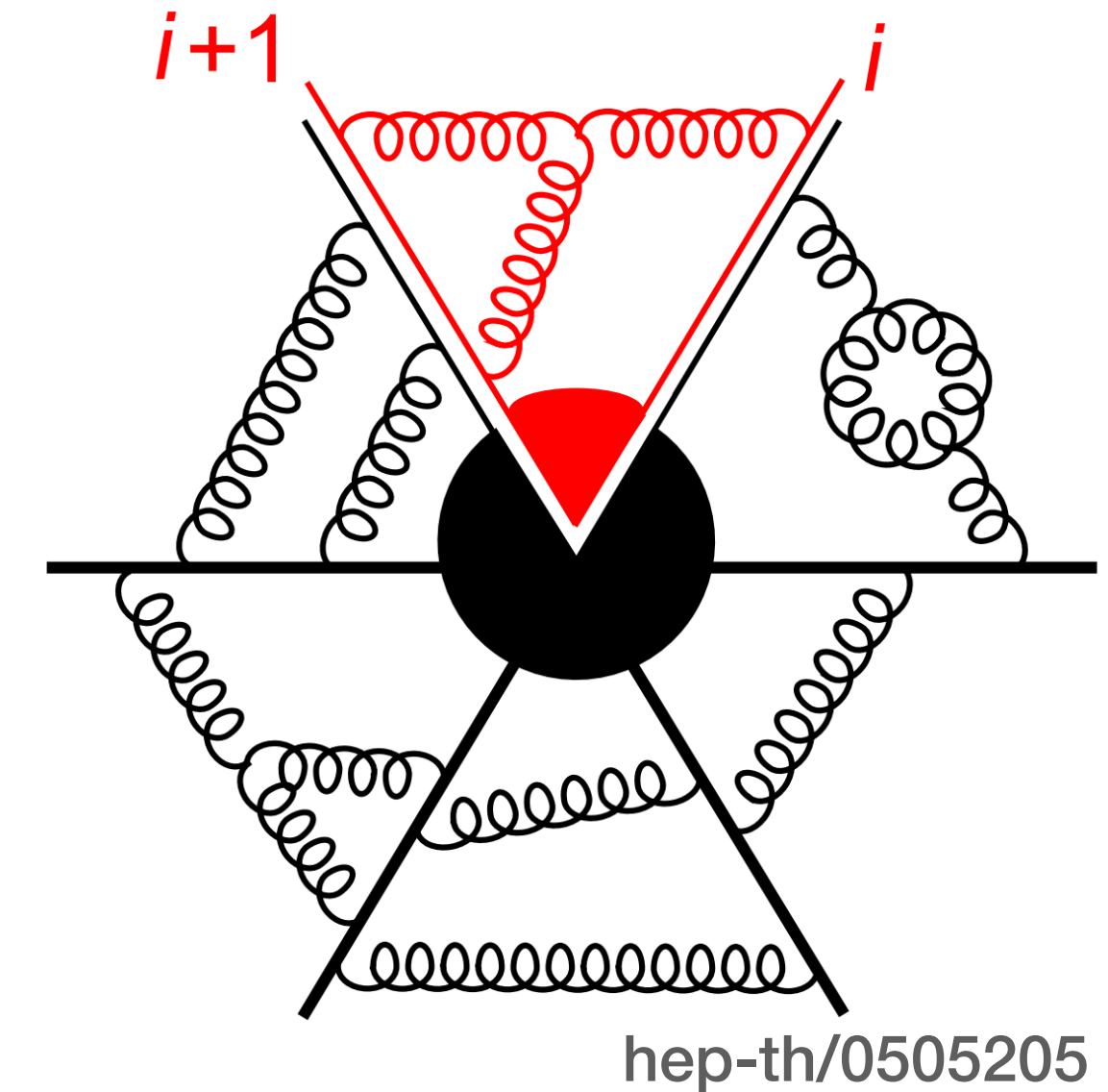
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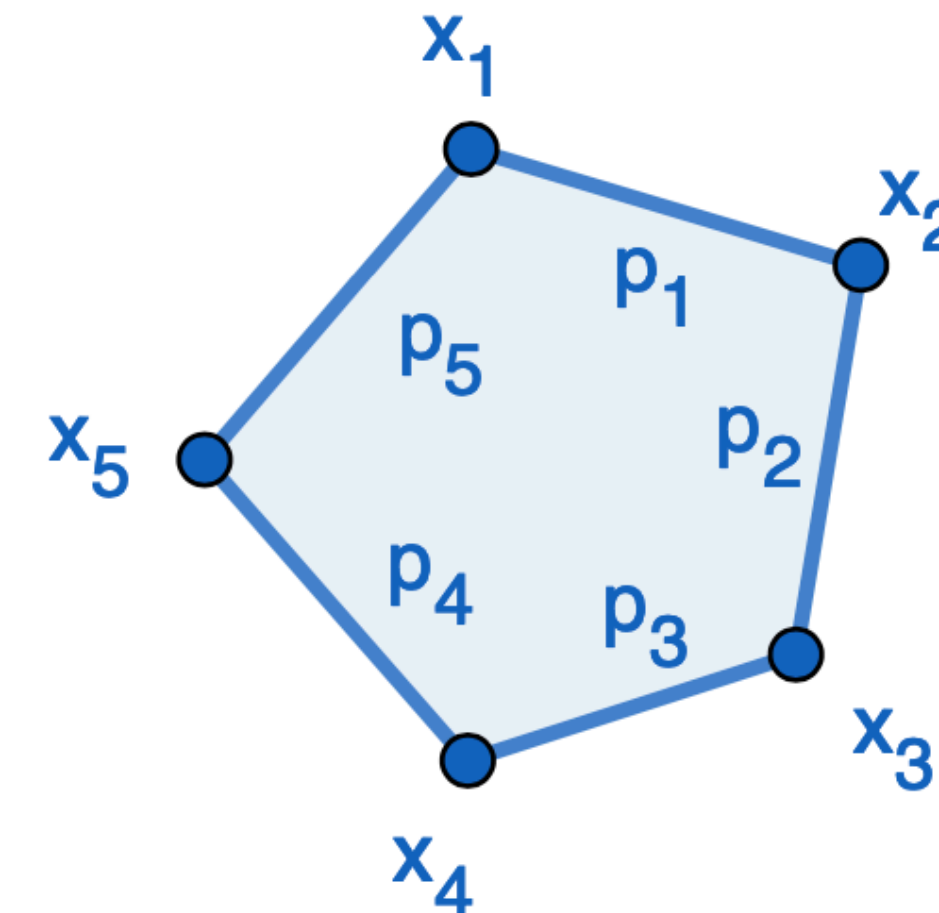
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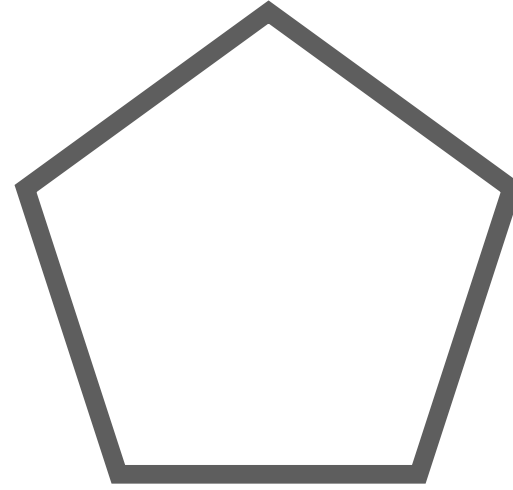
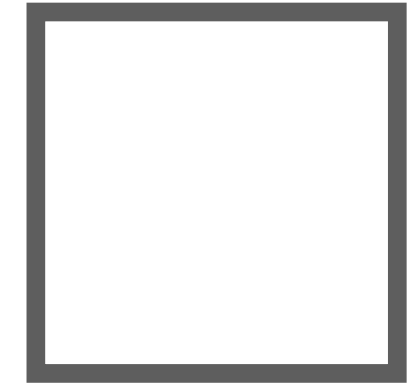
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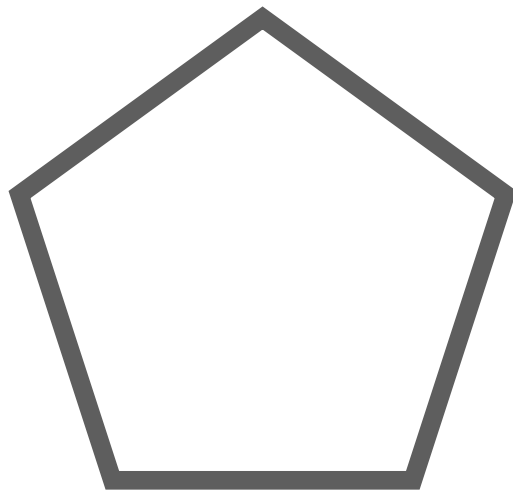
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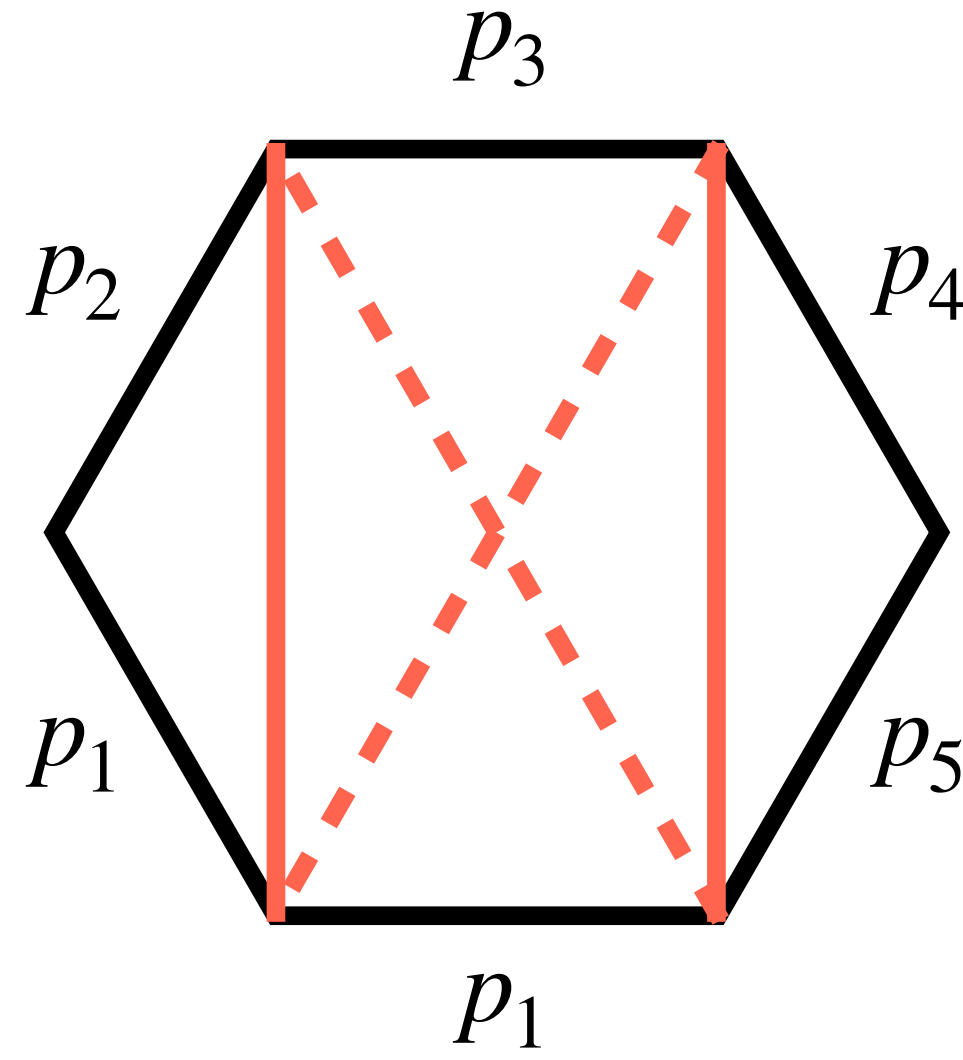


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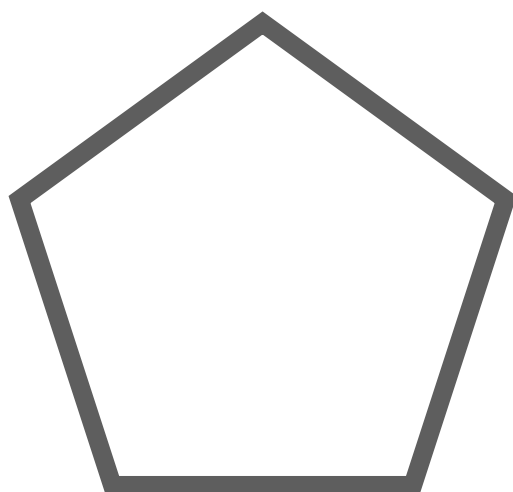


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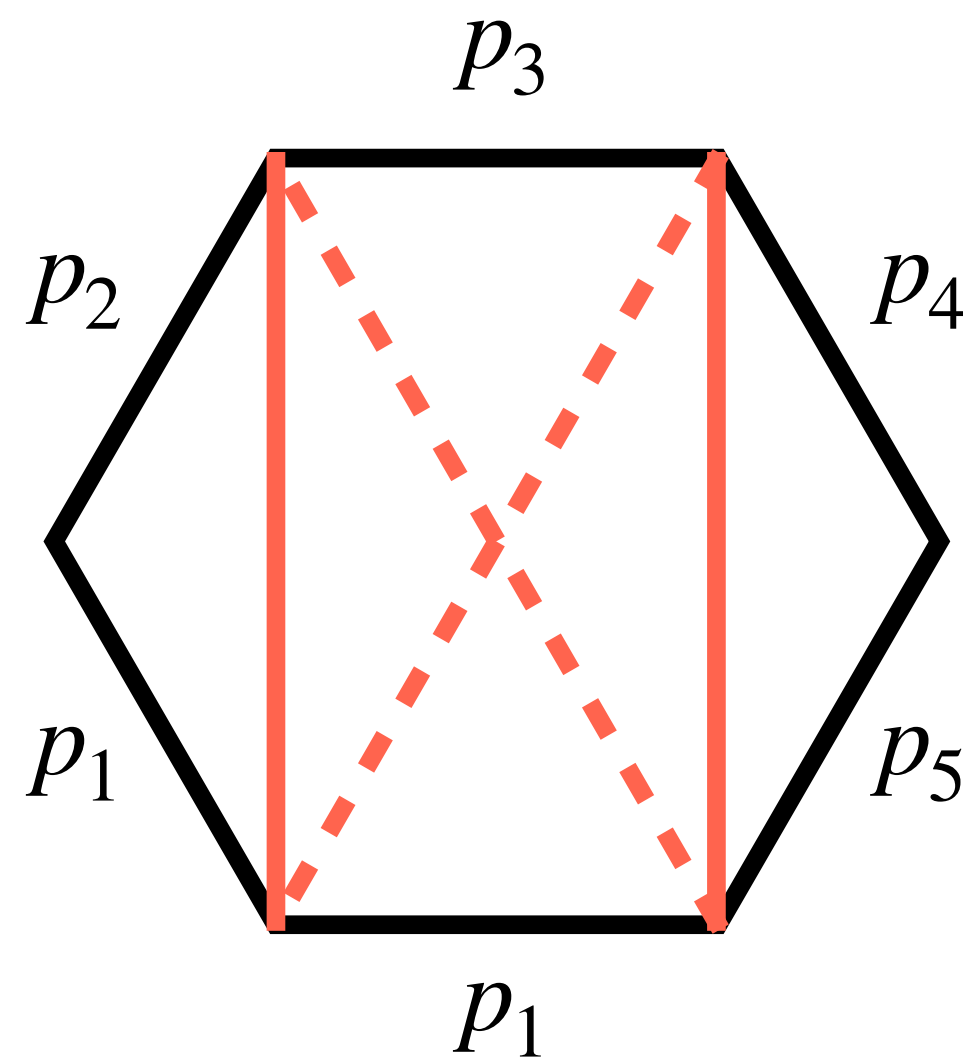


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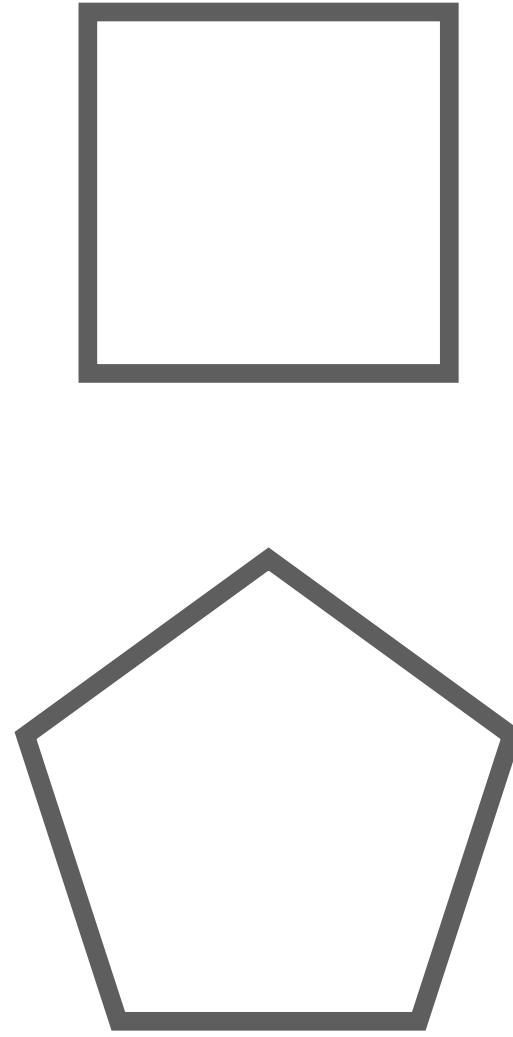
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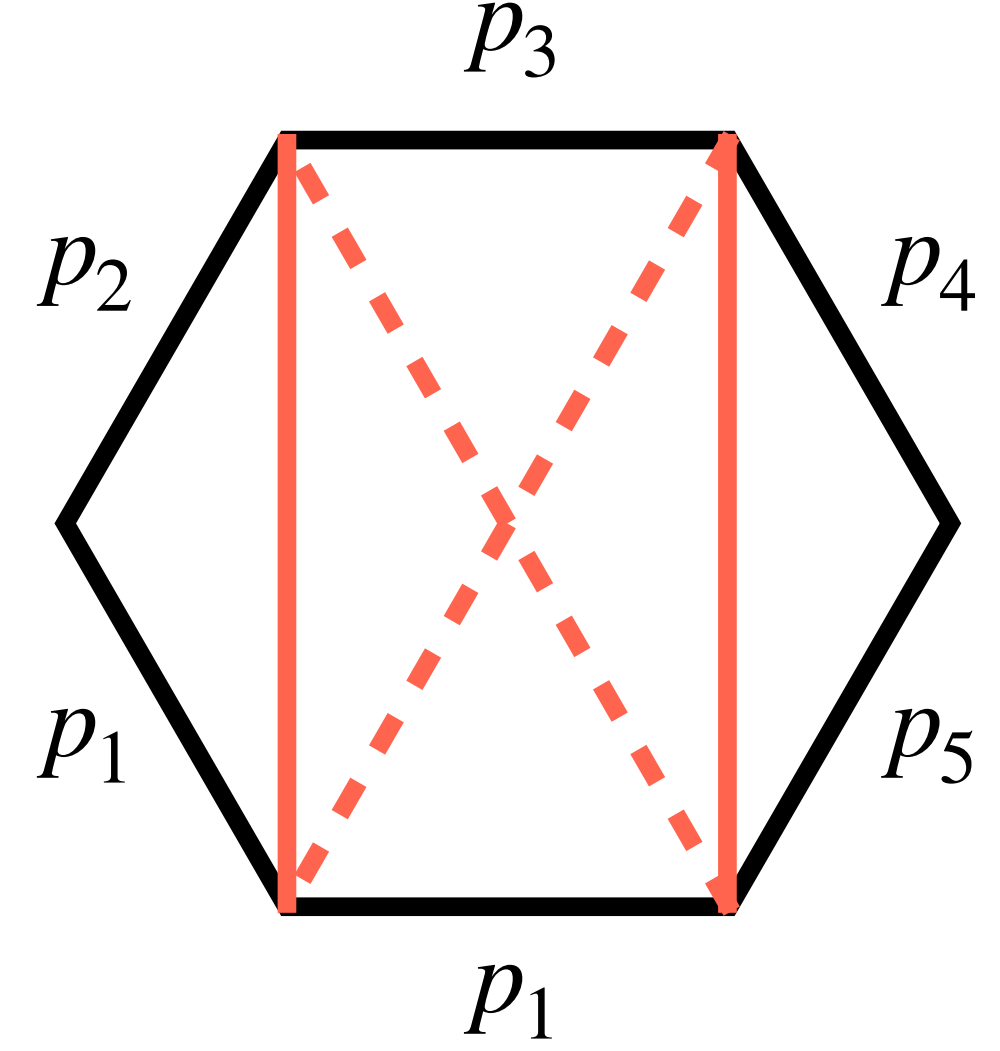
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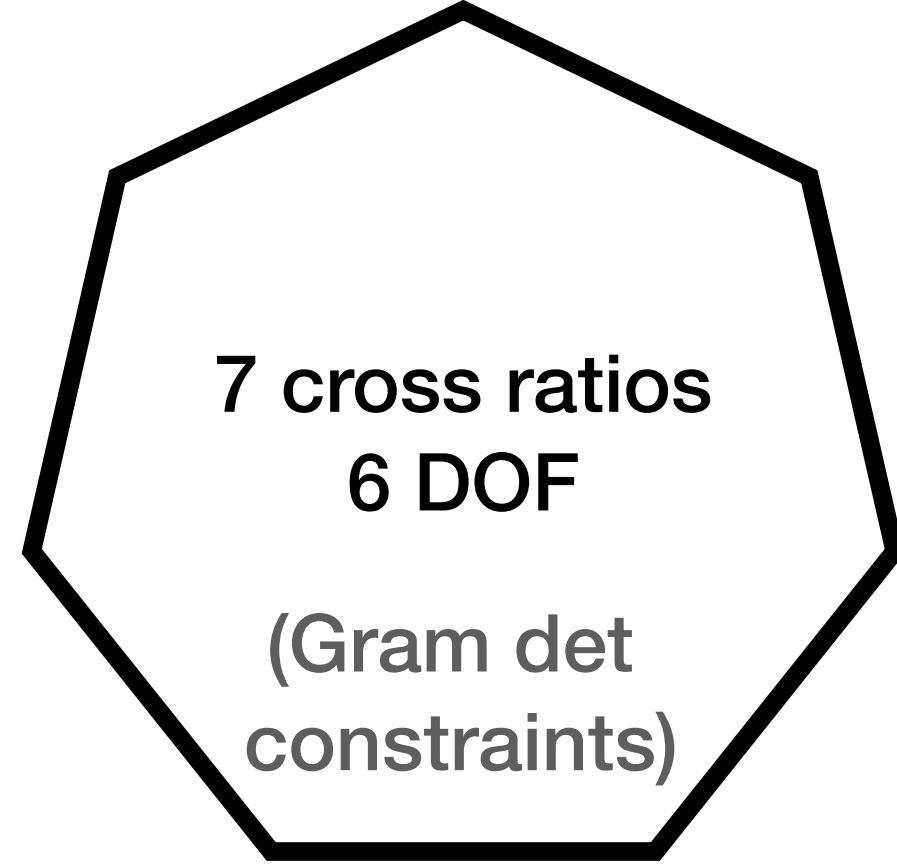


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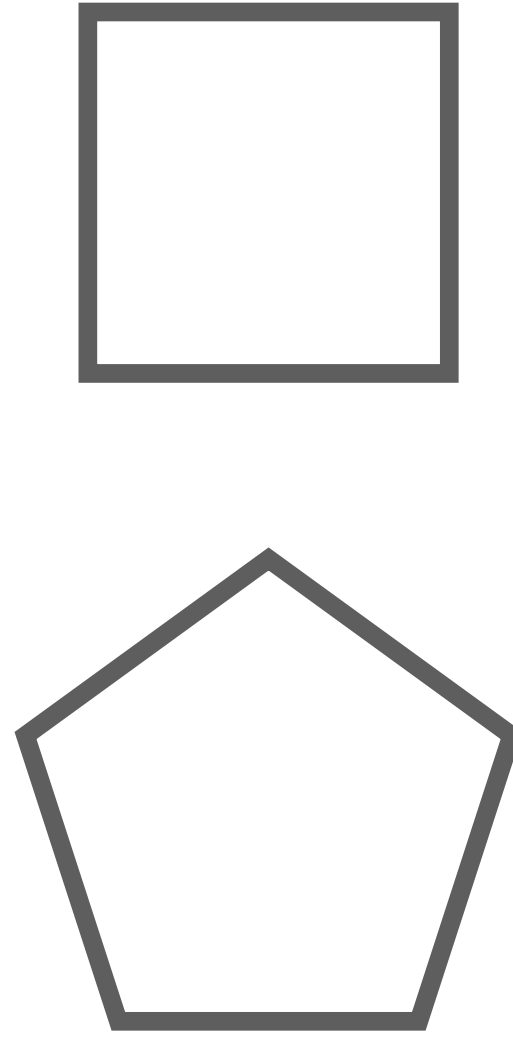
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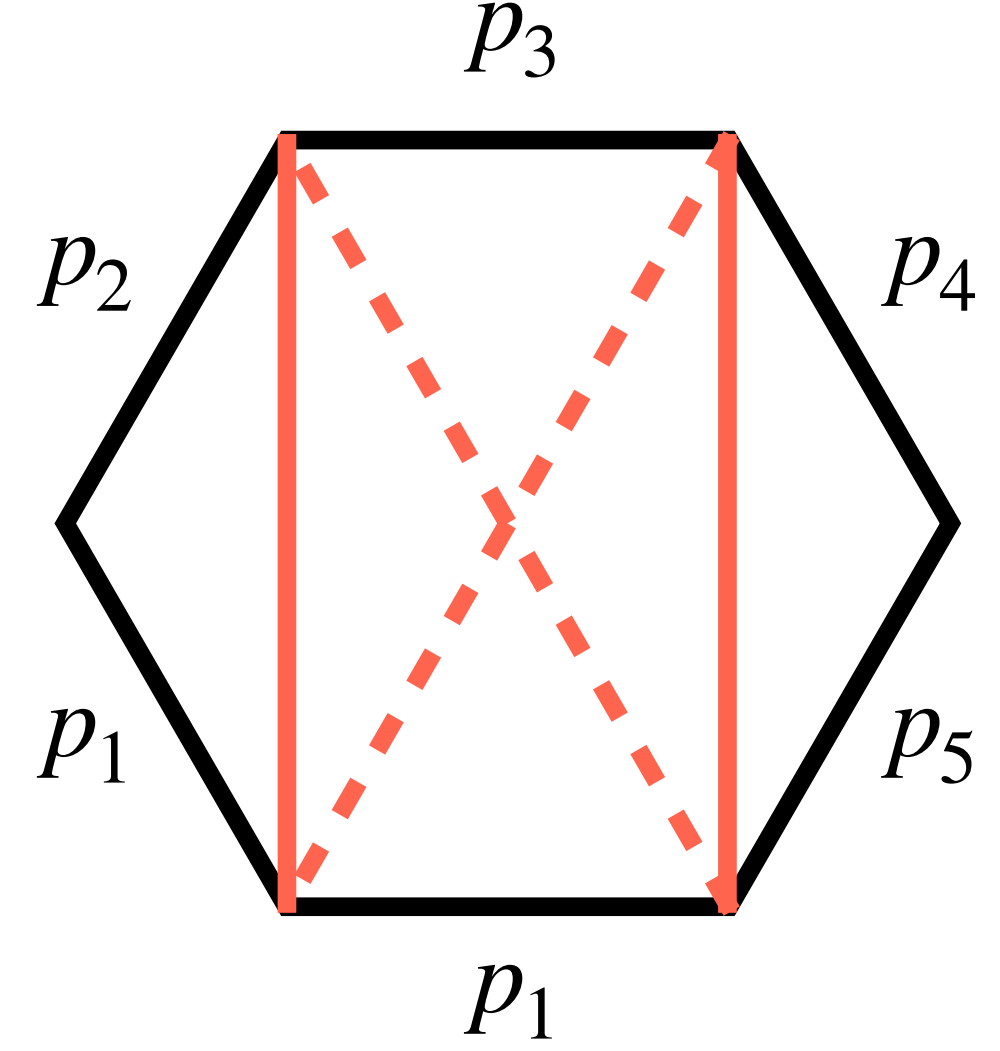




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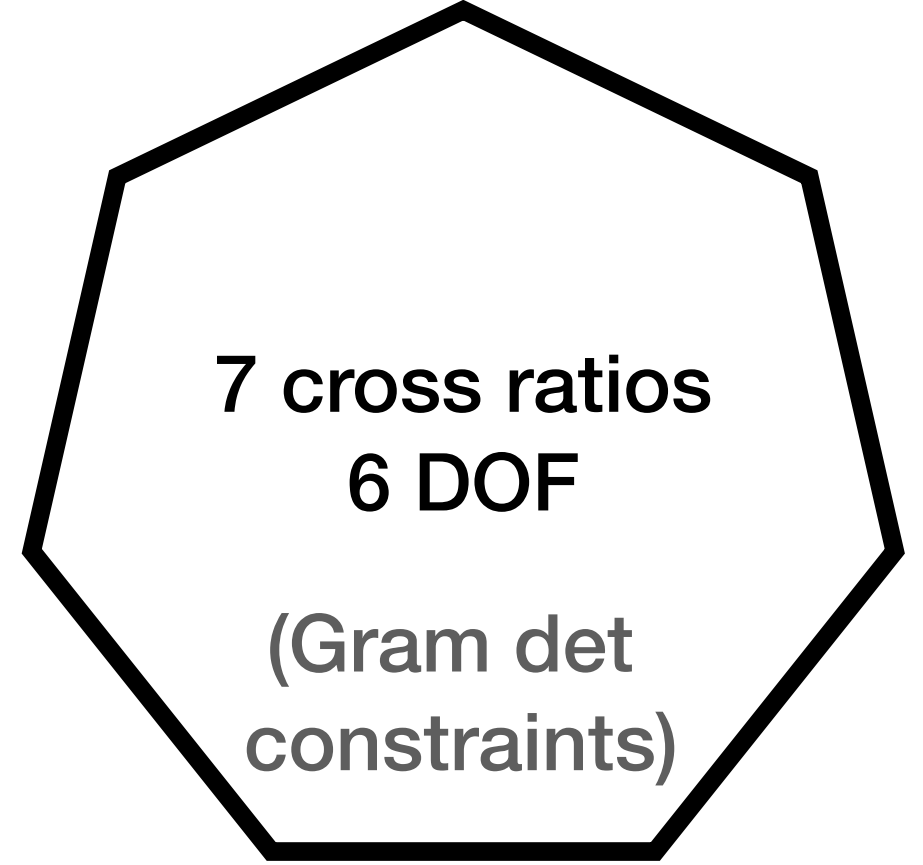


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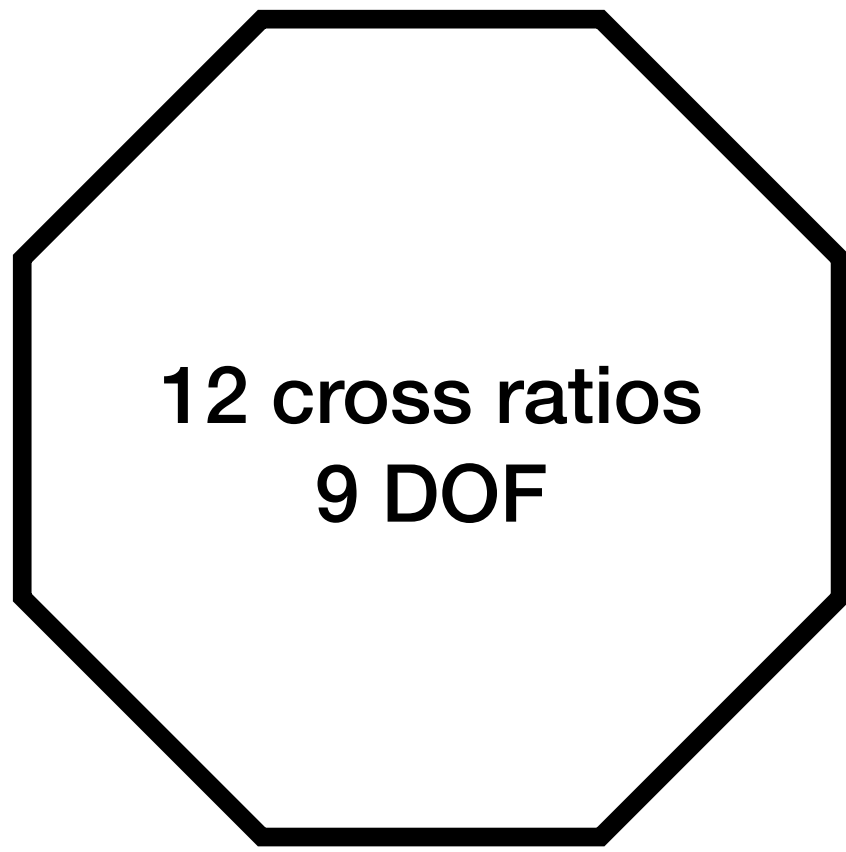


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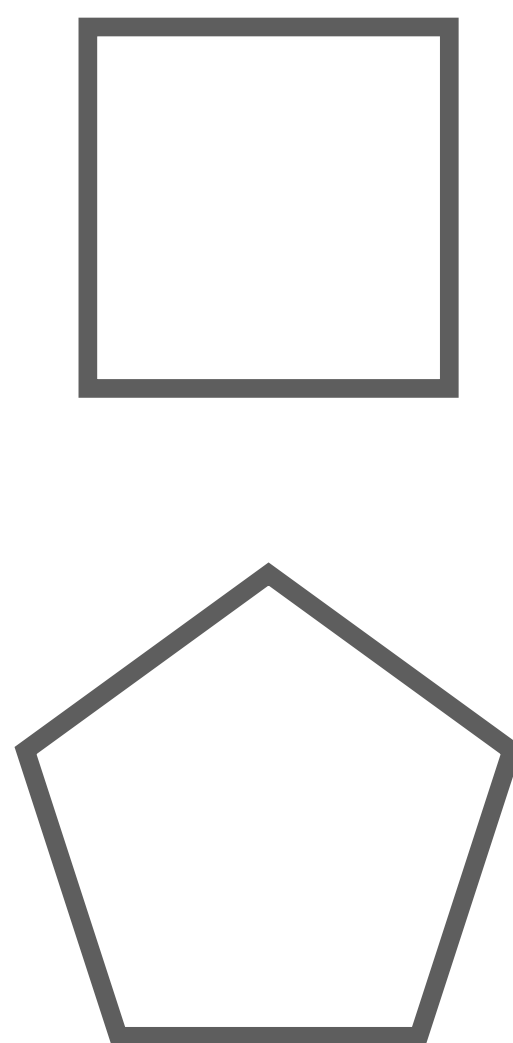


7 cross ratios  
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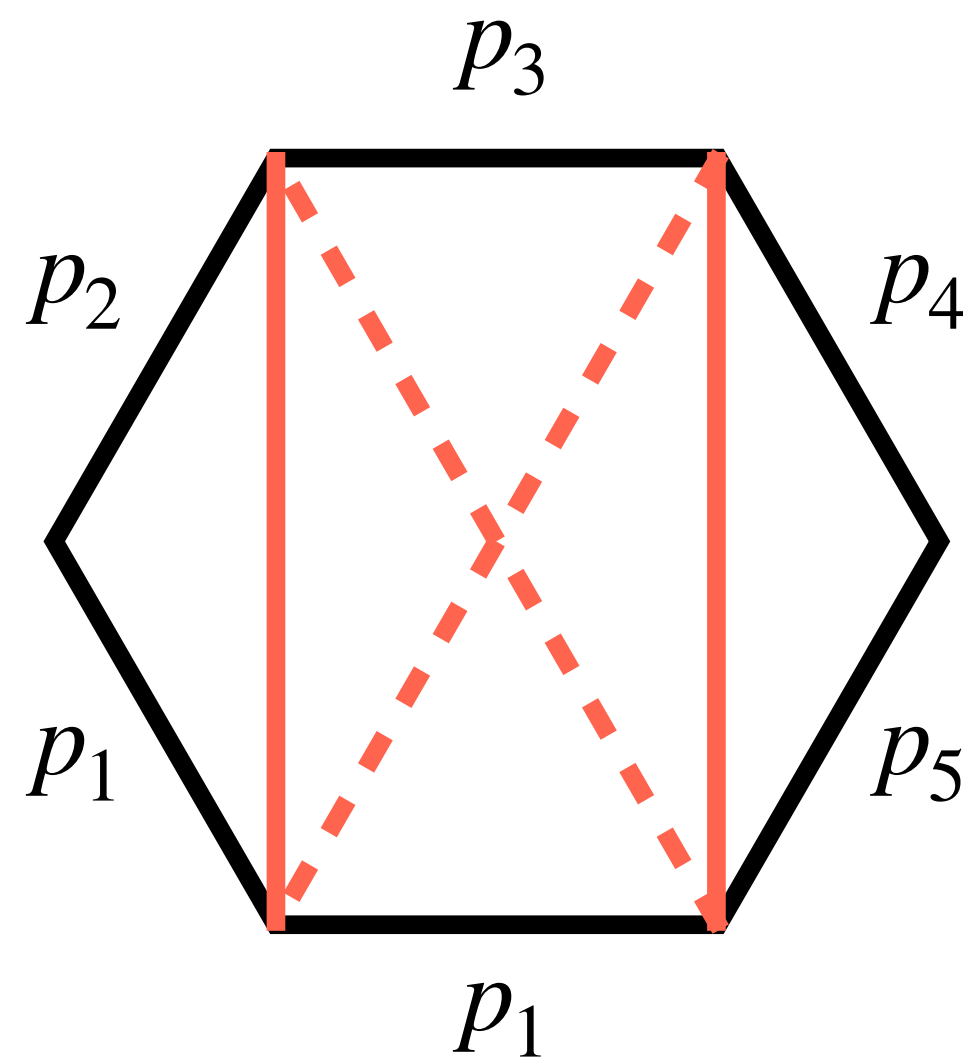


12 cross ratios  
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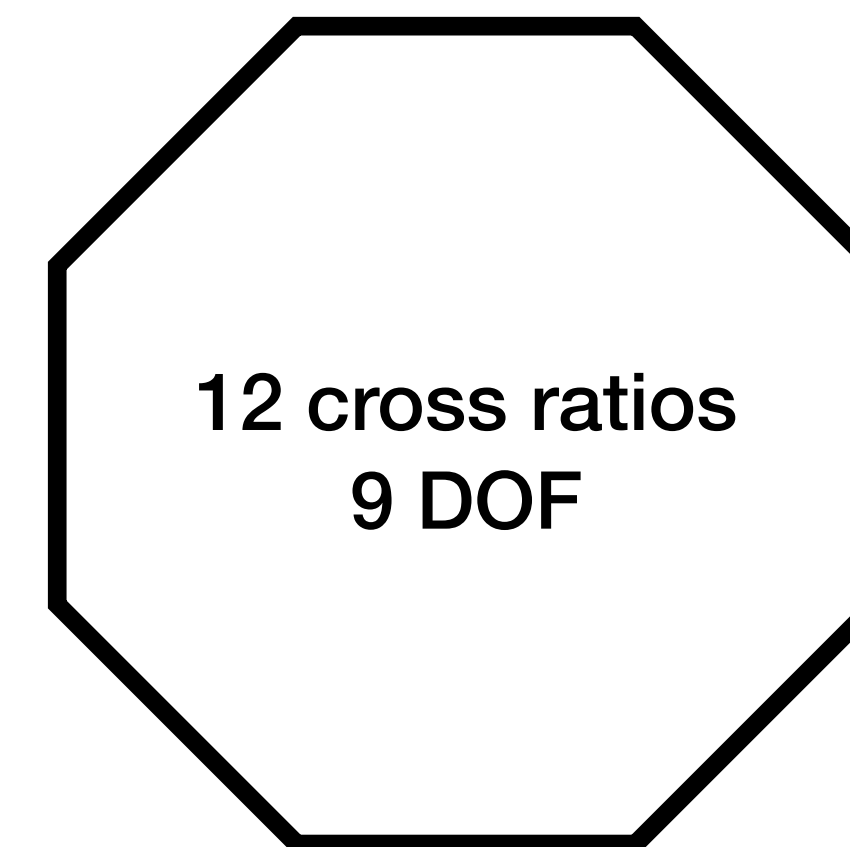
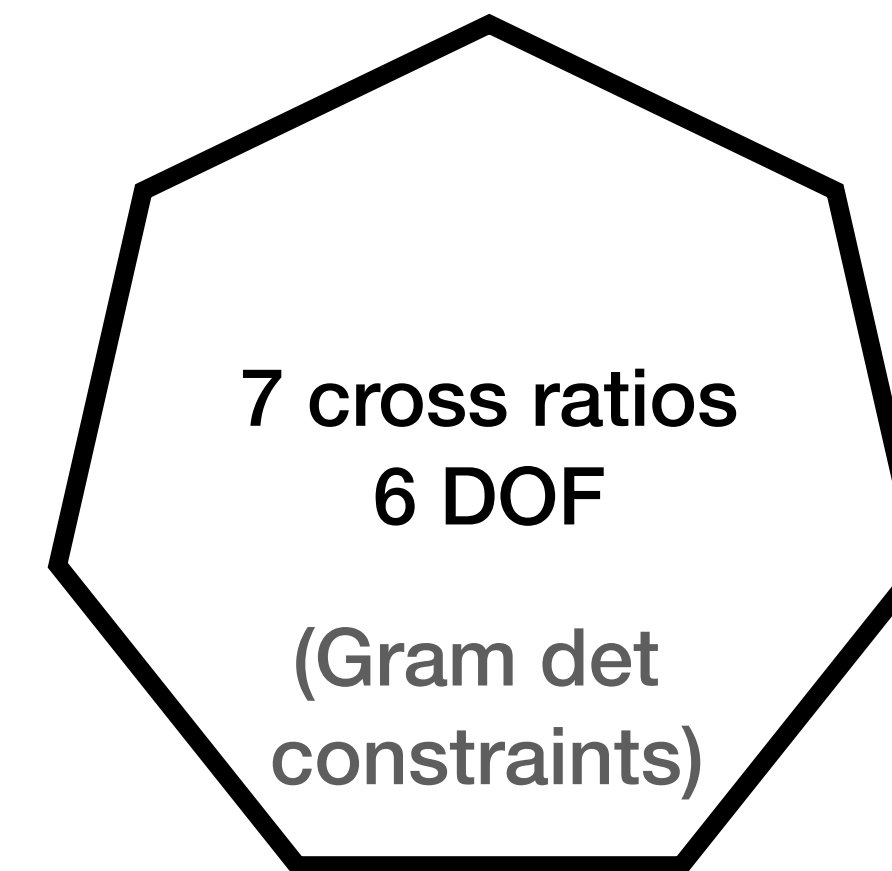


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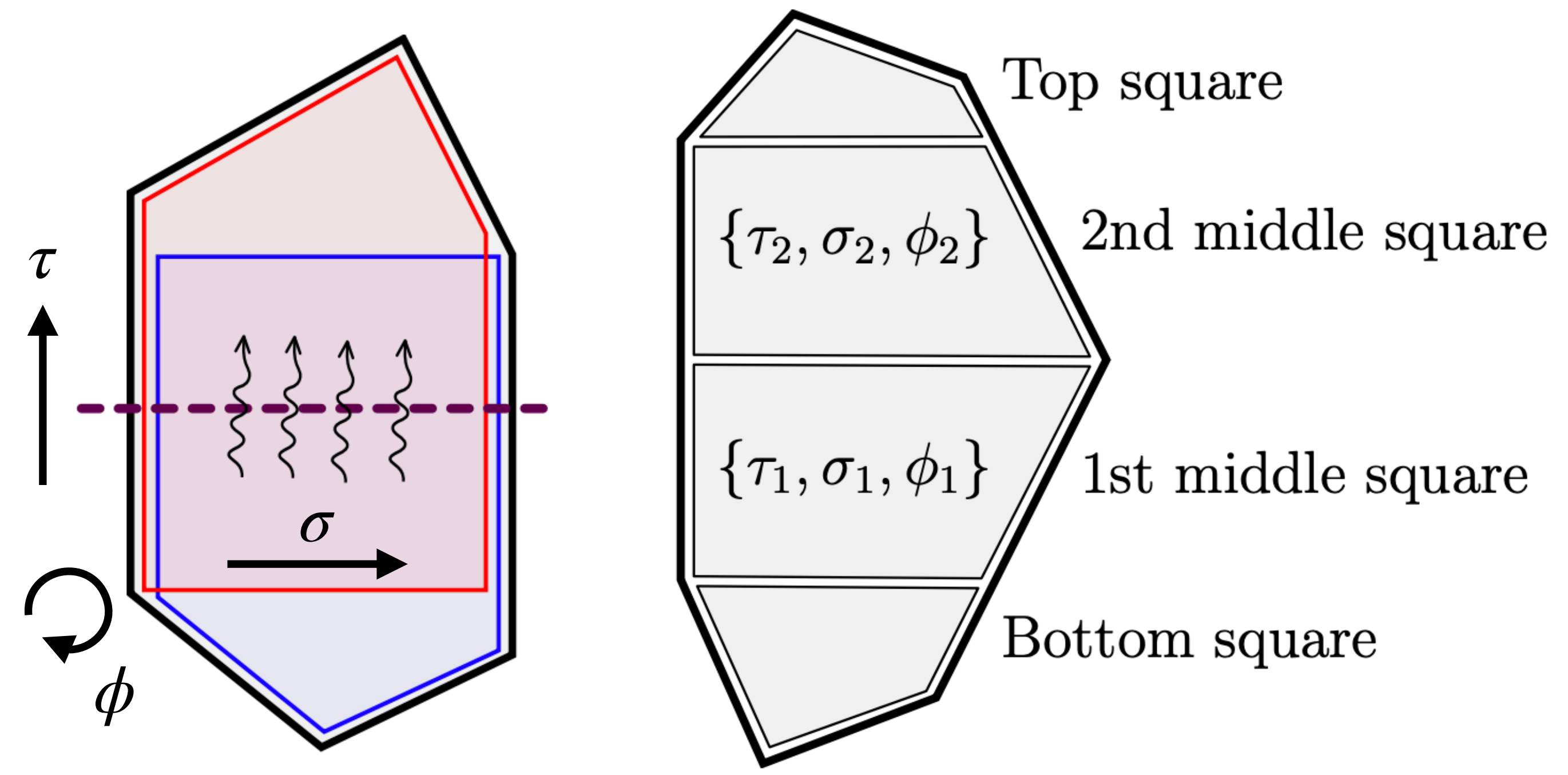


Dimension of dual conformal group = **15** =  
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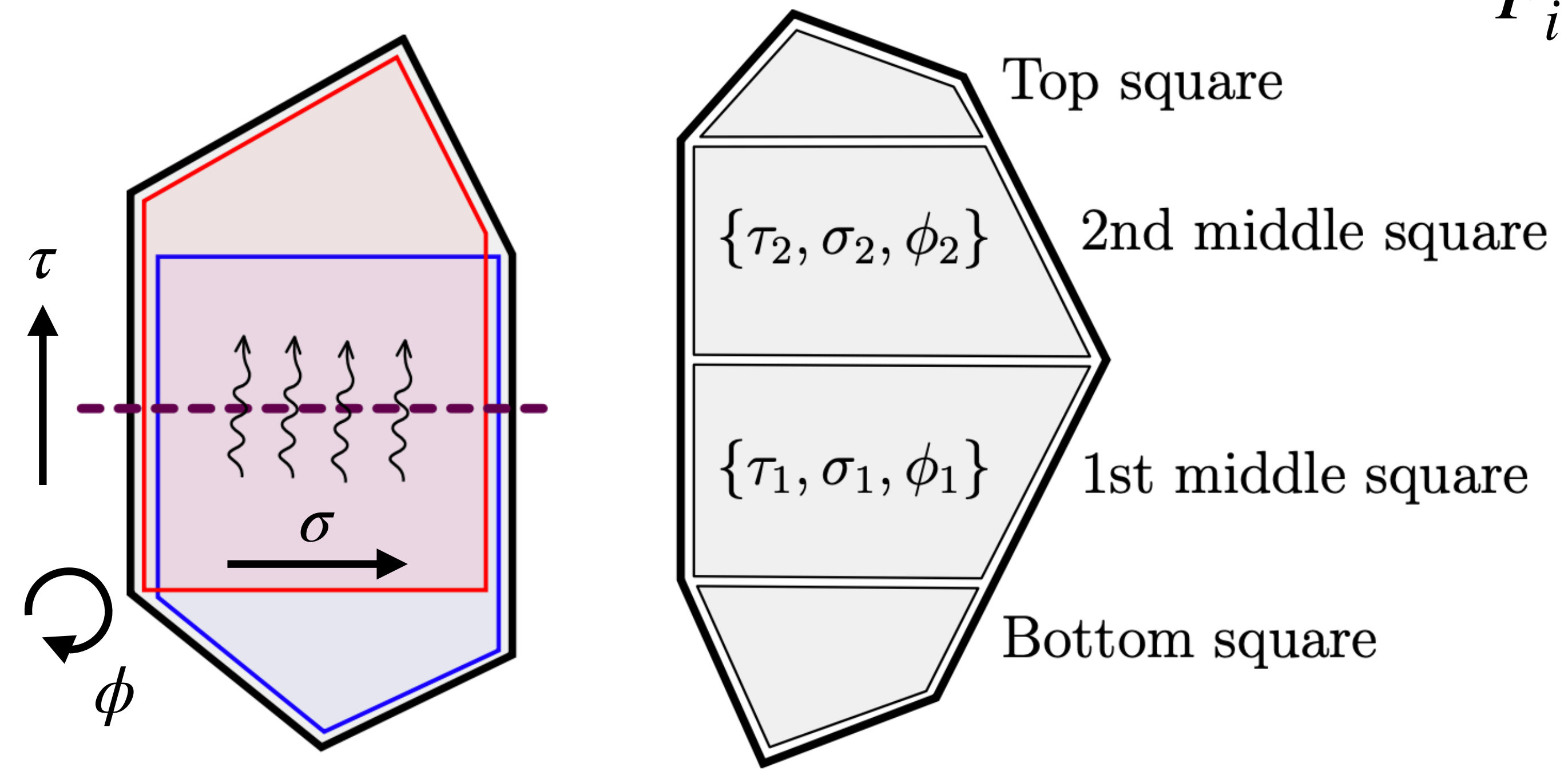
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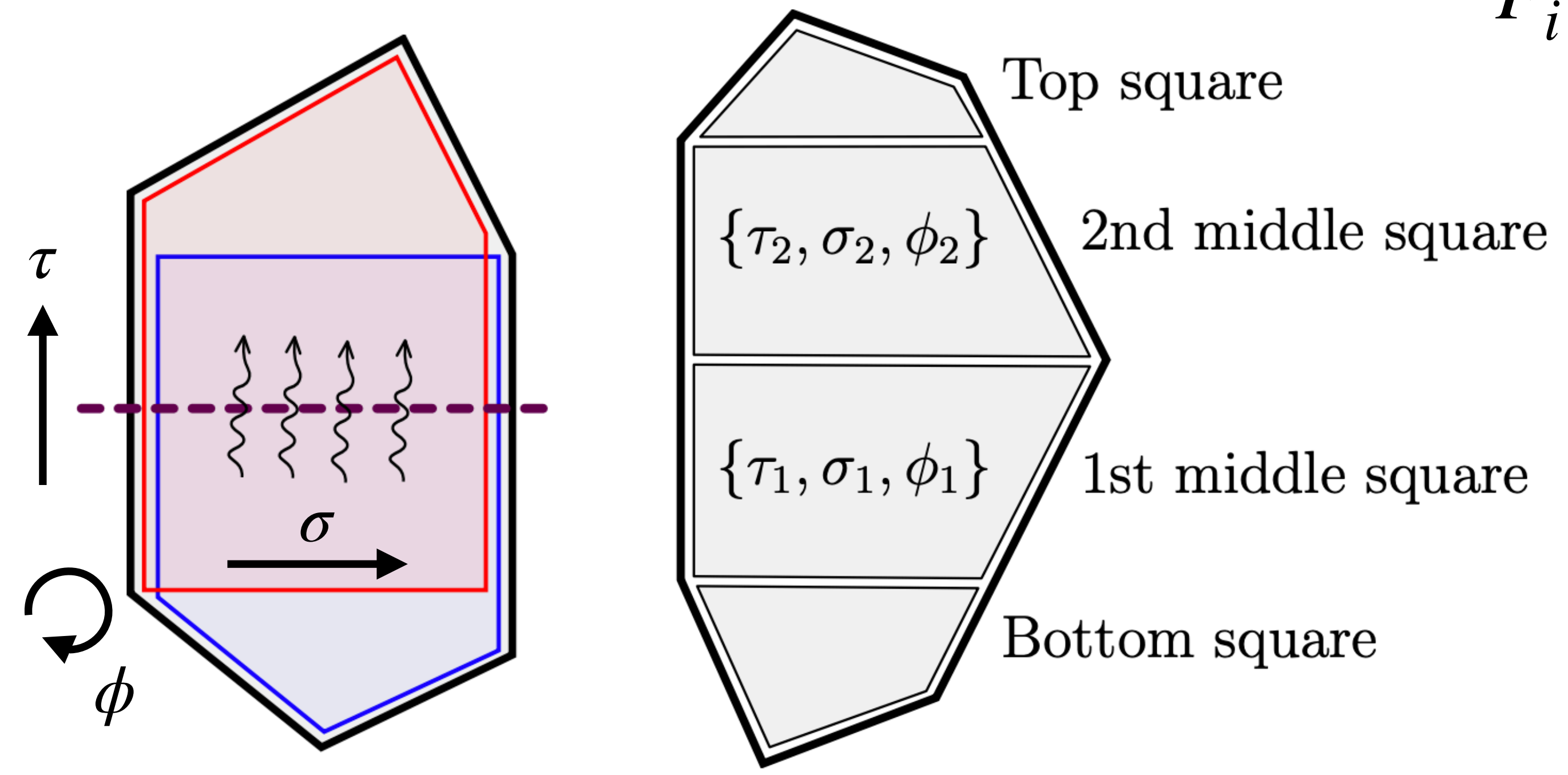
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- Type of function:

L-loop: Generalized (Multiple) Polylogarithm of **weight 2L**

[Goncharov, Spradlin, Vergu, Volovich, Golden]

[Arkani-Hamed, Bourjaily, Cachazo, Goncharov, Postnikov, Trnka]

- Example:

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$$= - \int_{0 < t_2 < t_1 < x} d \ln(t_1) d \ln(1 - t_2) \quad \text{Iterated } d \log \text{ integration}$$

weight 2

- Generalized (Multiple) Polylogarithm  $F$  defined by:

$$dF = \sum_{\phi} F^{\phi} d \ln \phi$$

- $F$  has *weight*  $n$  if  $F^{\phi}$  have *weight*  $n - 1$
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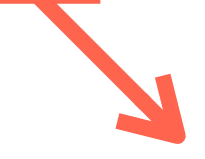
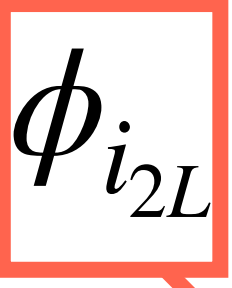
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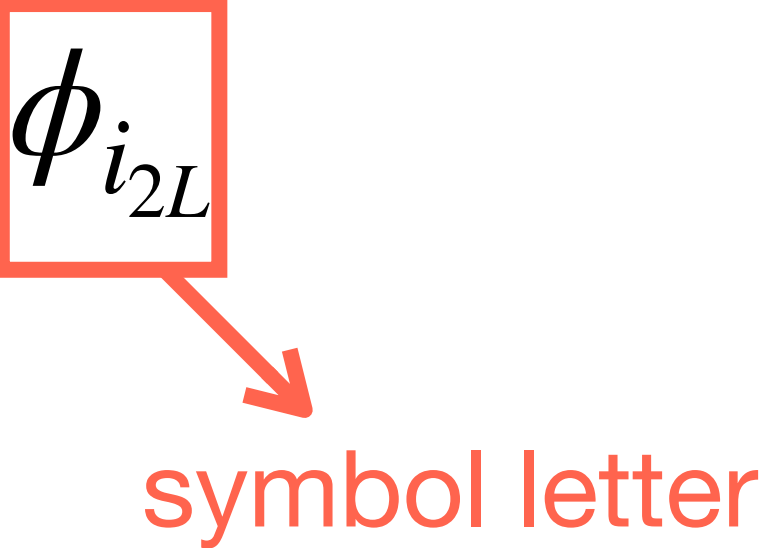


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$$\{u_1, u_2, u_3\} \cup \{1 - u_1, 1 - u_2, 1 - u_3\} \cup \{3 \text{ parity odd}\}$$

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$$\{u_1 \dots\} \cup \{1 - u_1 \dots\} \cup \{1 - u_1 u_4 \dots\} \cup$$

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6-point example

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Parity Flip:

$$F \rightarrow \frac{1}{F}$$



# Planar N = 4 SYM, MHV amplitudes

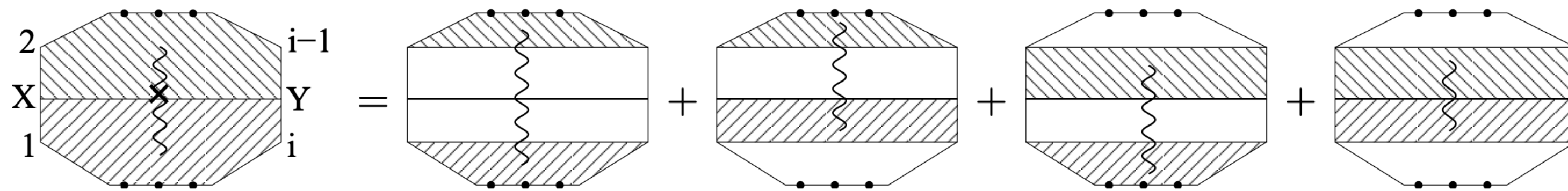
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↓  
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$$\mathcal{S}(R_n^{(2)}) = \sum_{i,j,k,l} r^{ijkl} \phi_i \otimes \phi_j \otimes \phi_k \otimes \phi_l$$

uniformly weight 4

Known for all  $n$  [Caron-Huot 1105.5606]



## Antipodal Symmetry [AL 2207.11815]

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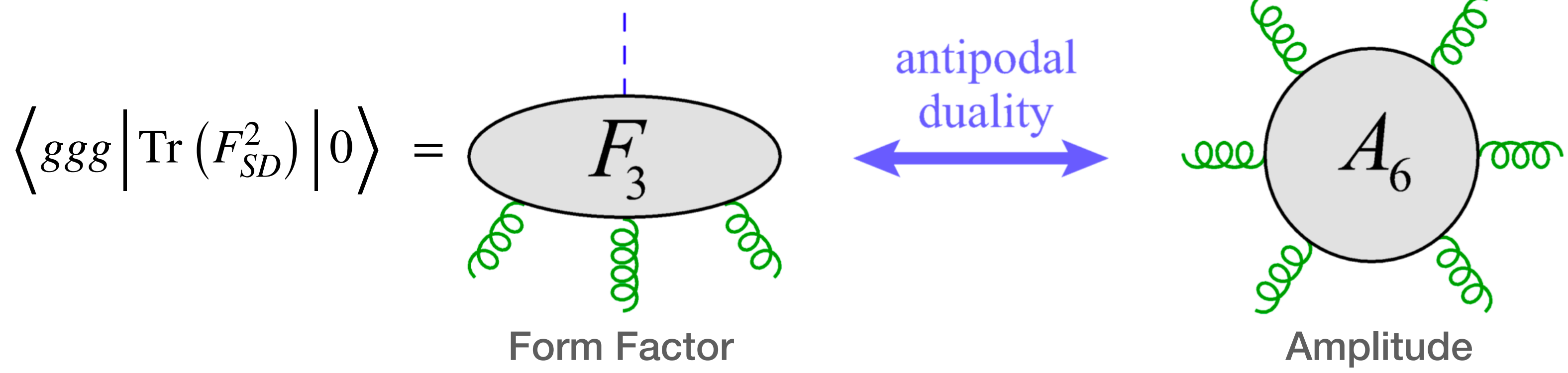
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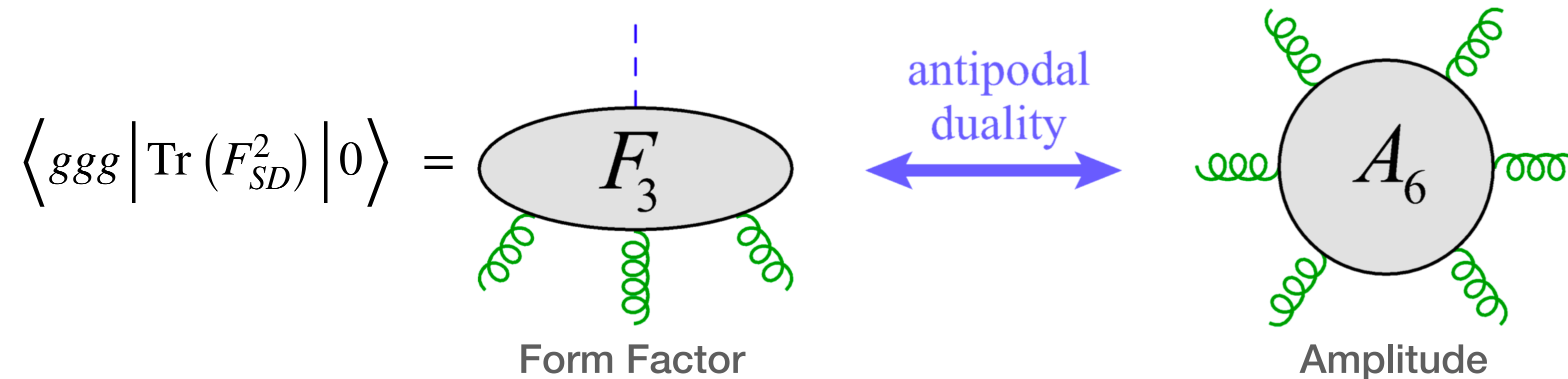
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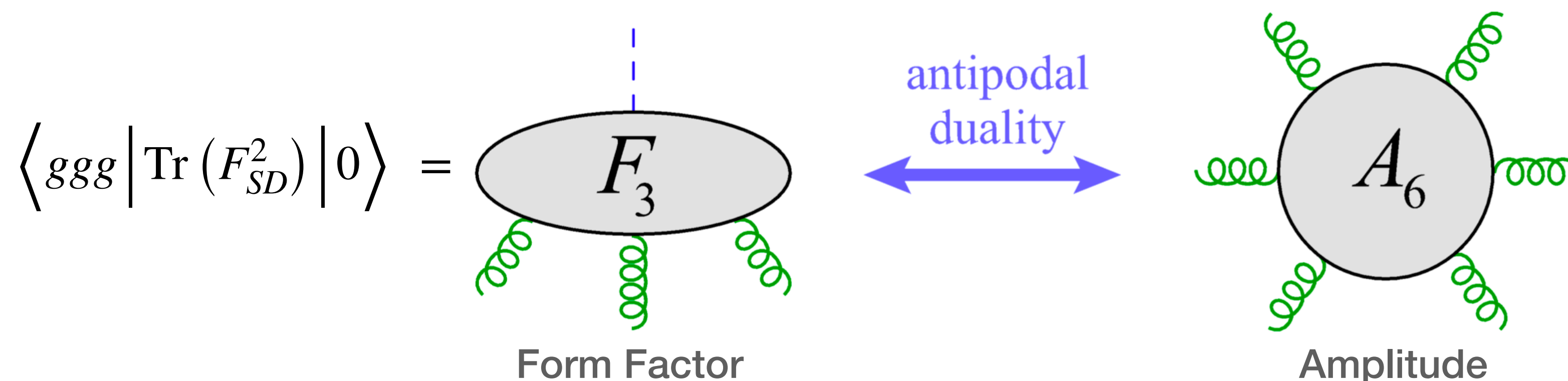


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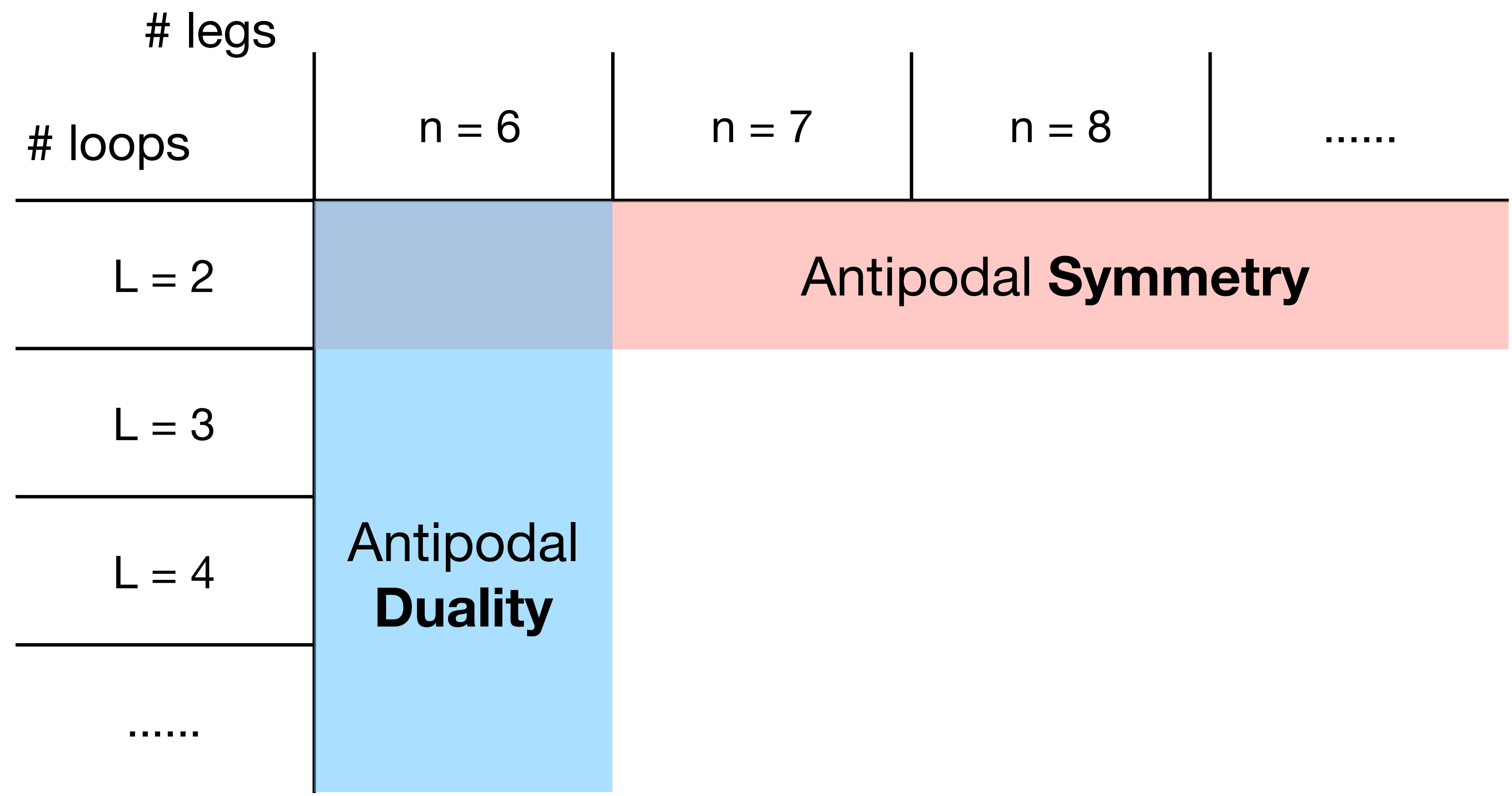
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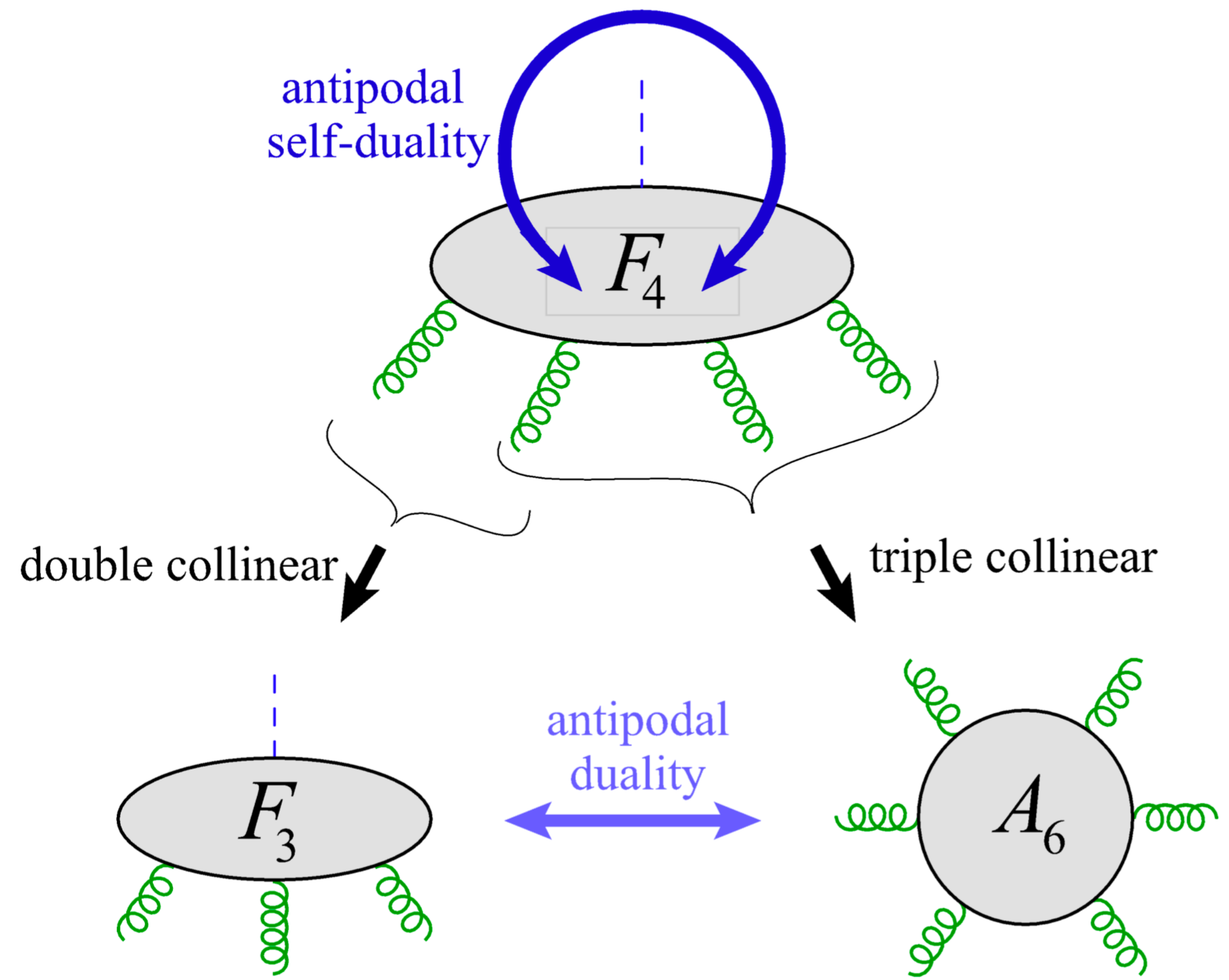
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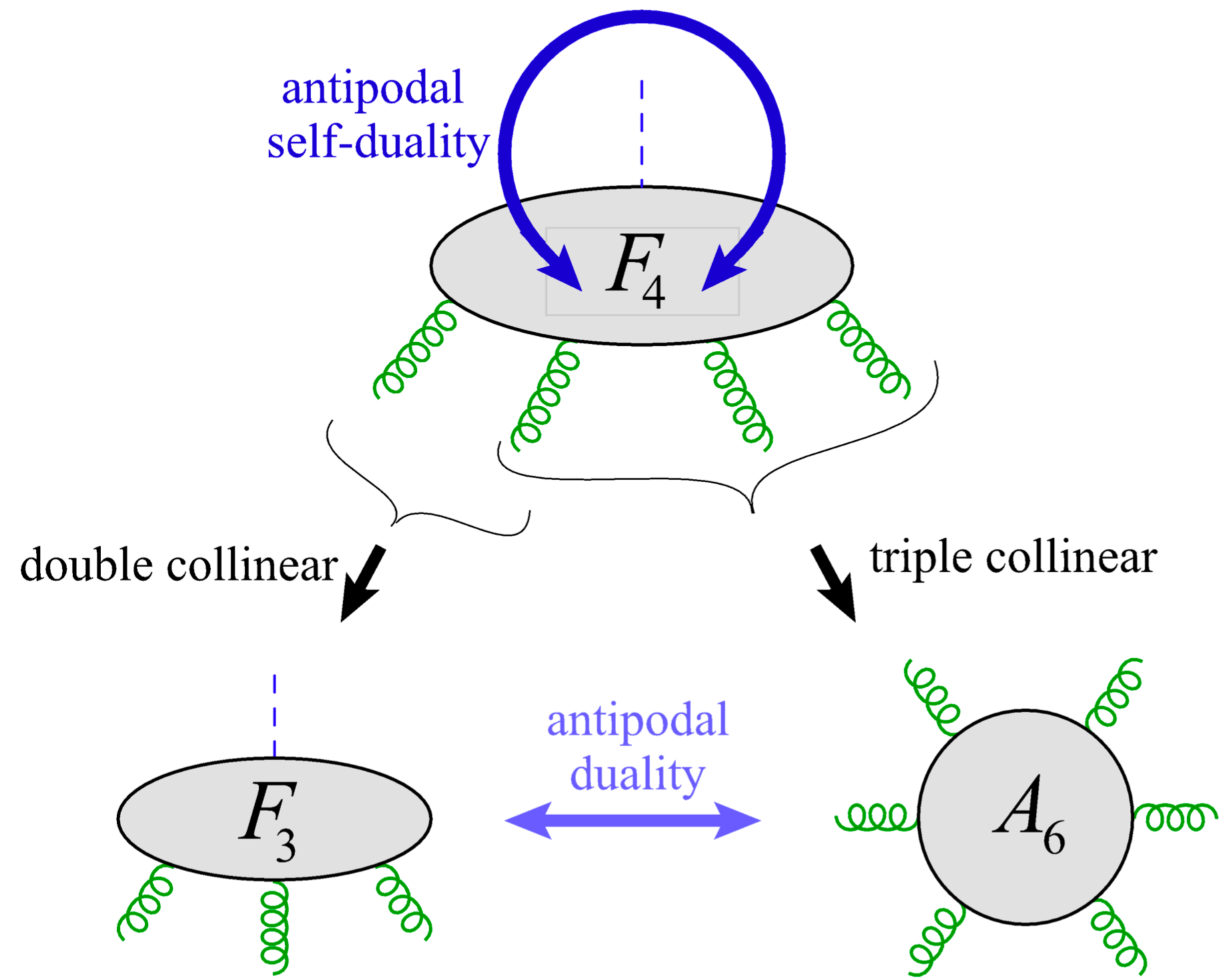
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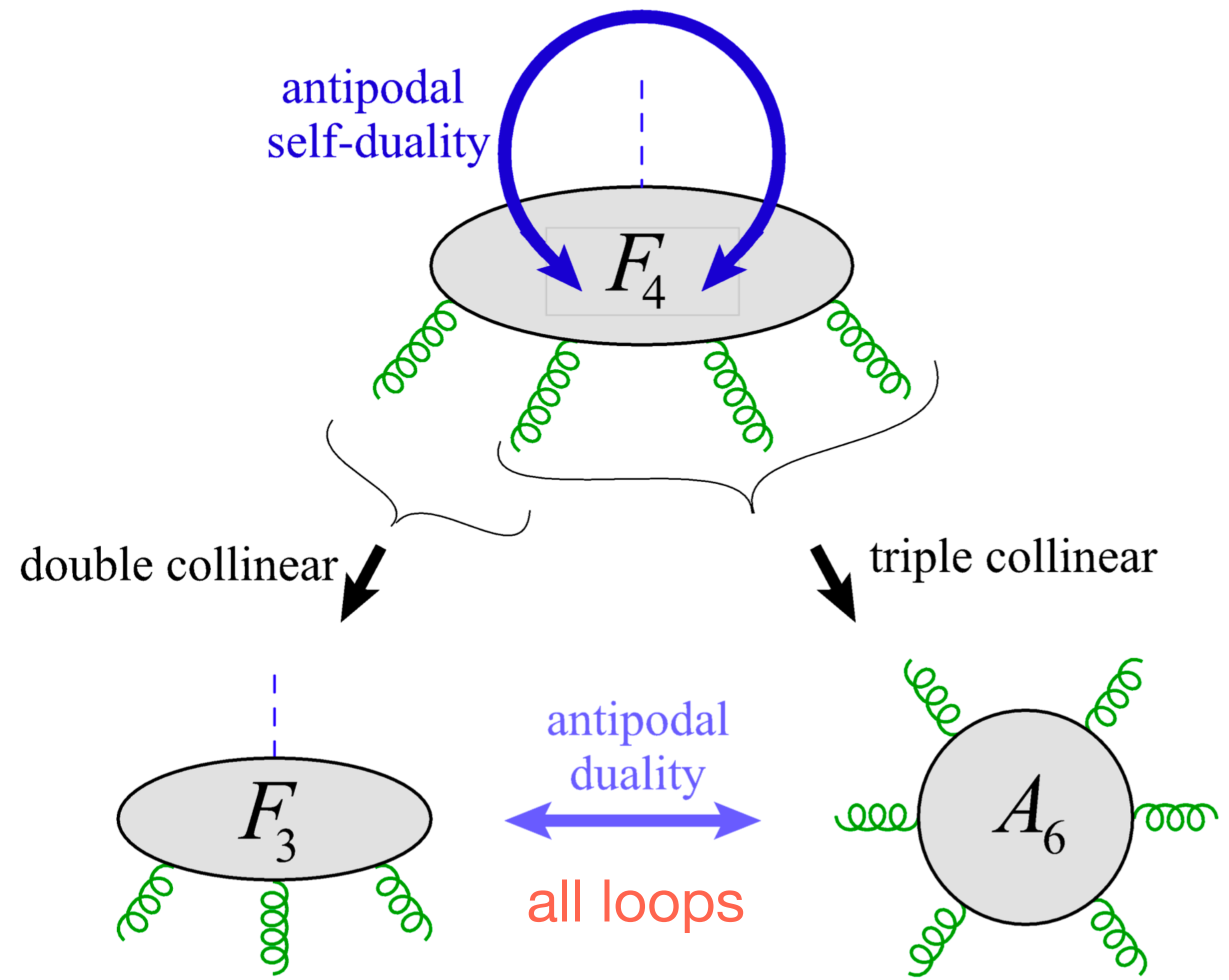
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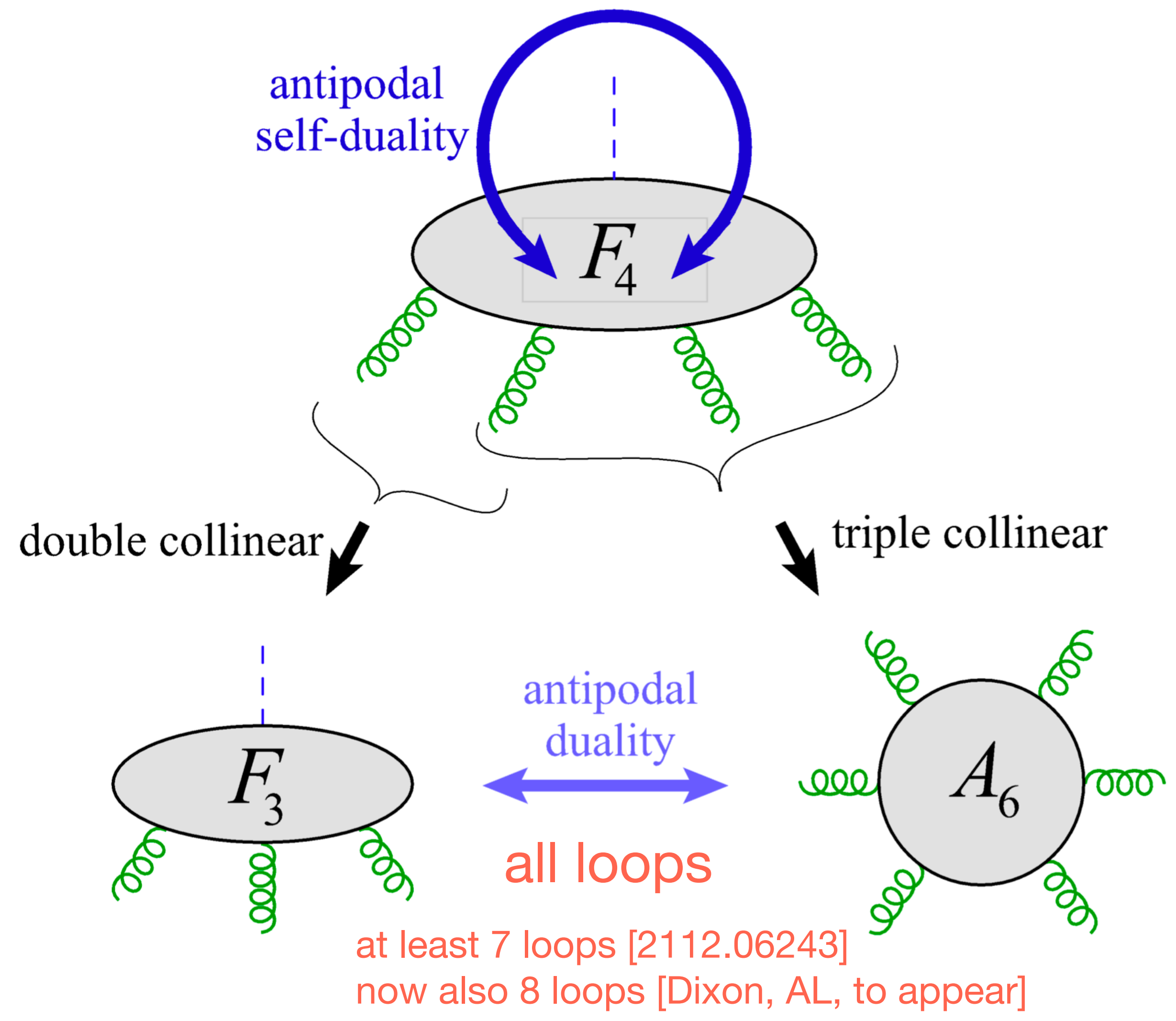
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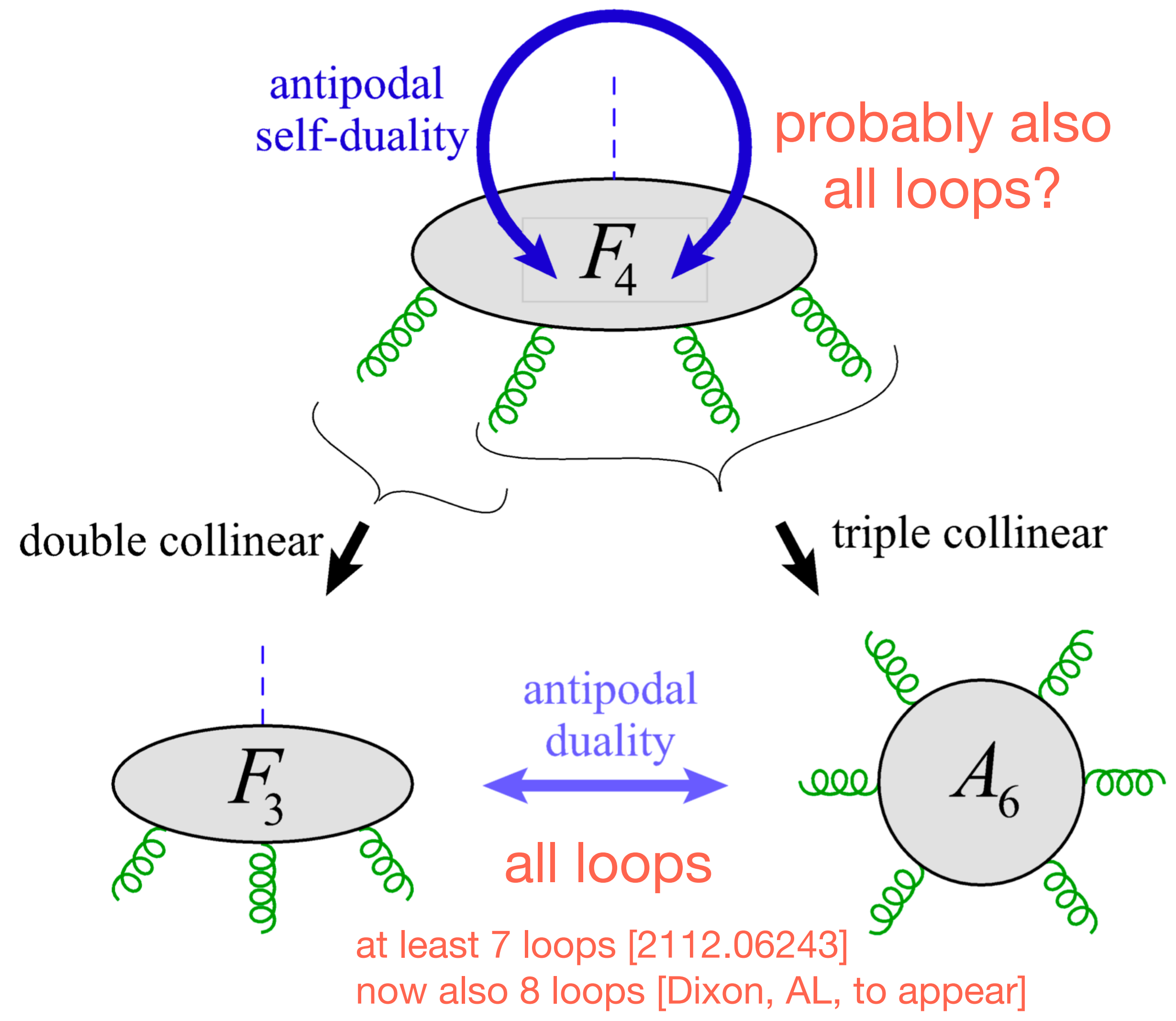
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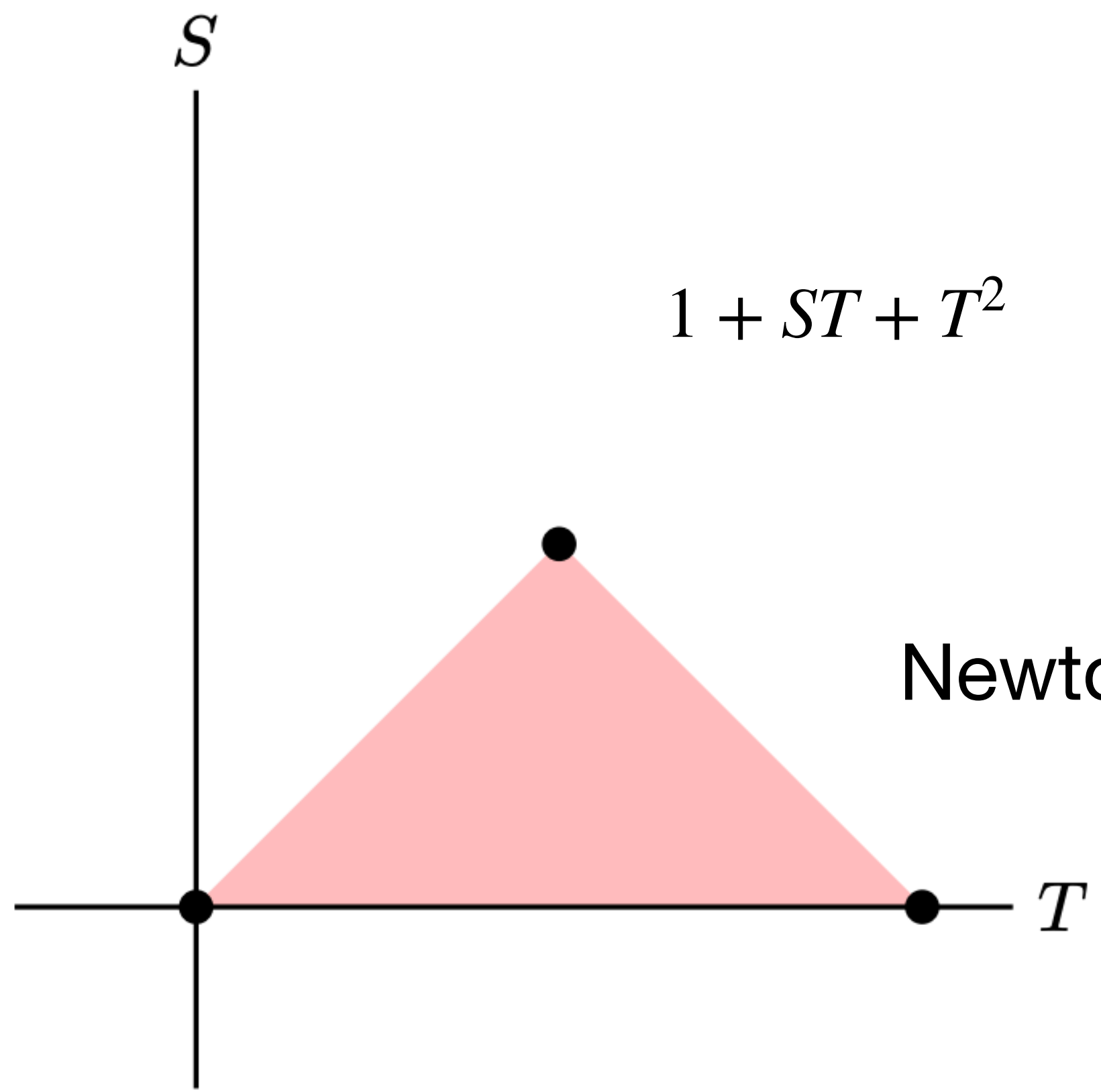
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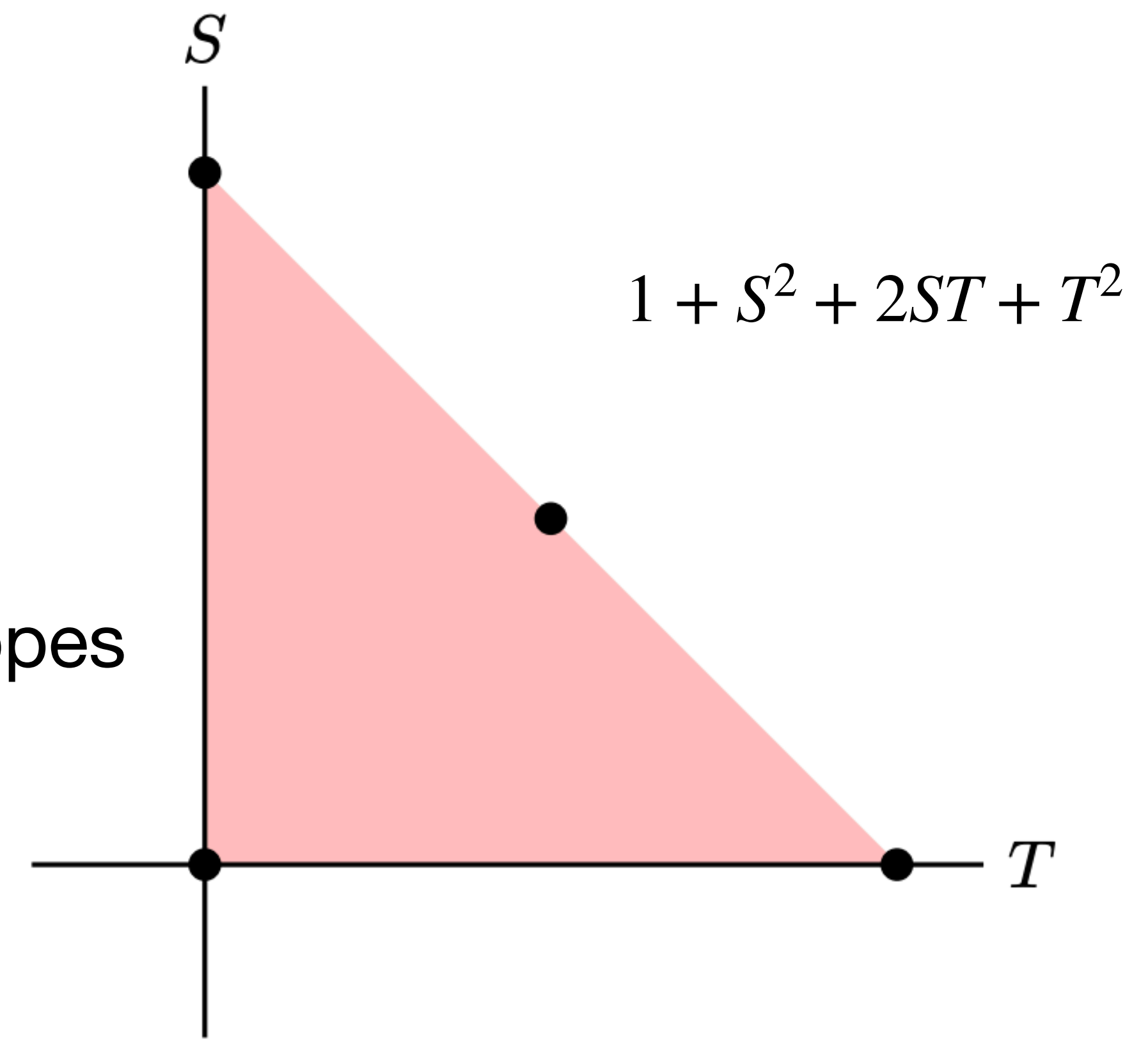
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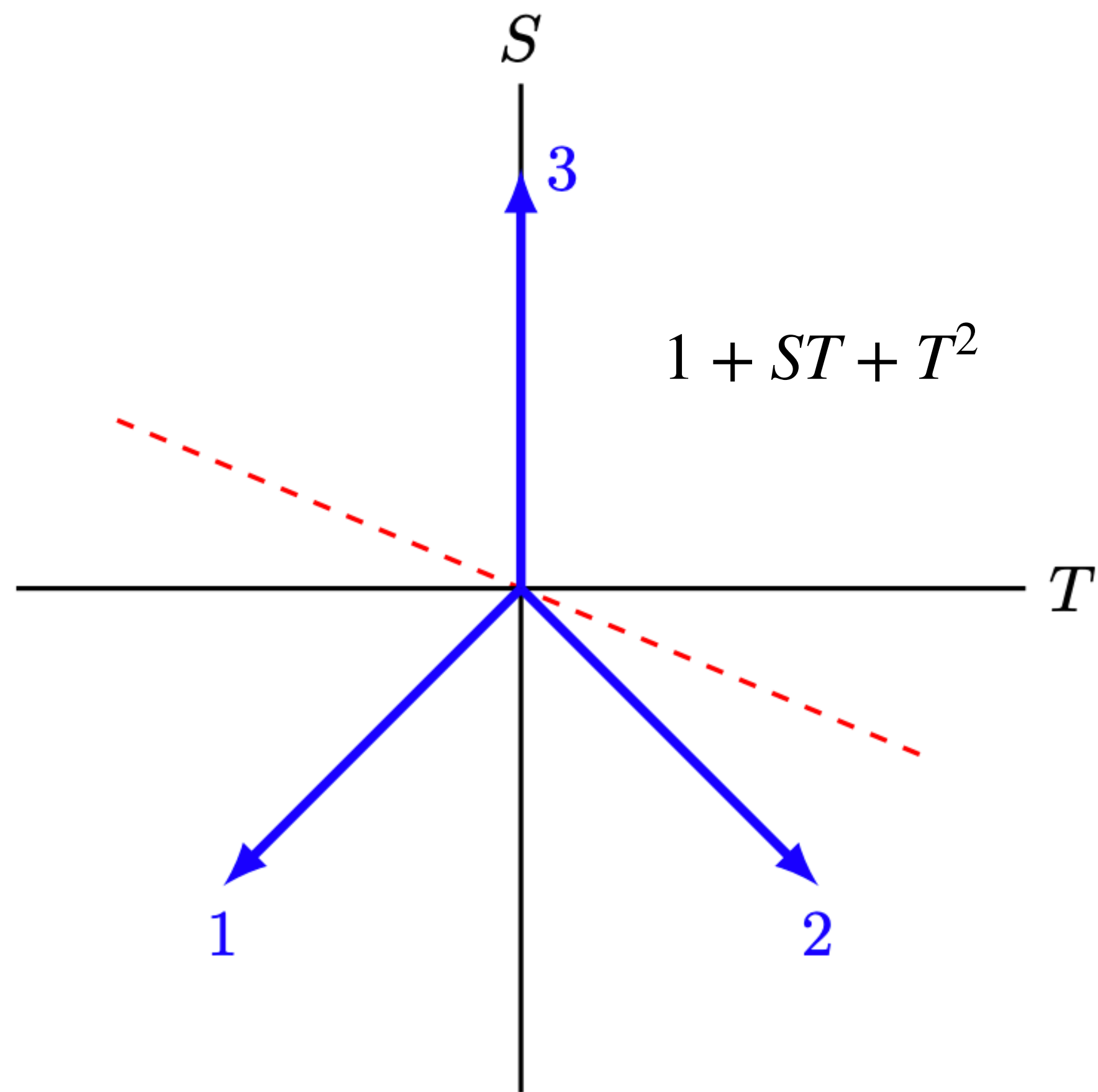
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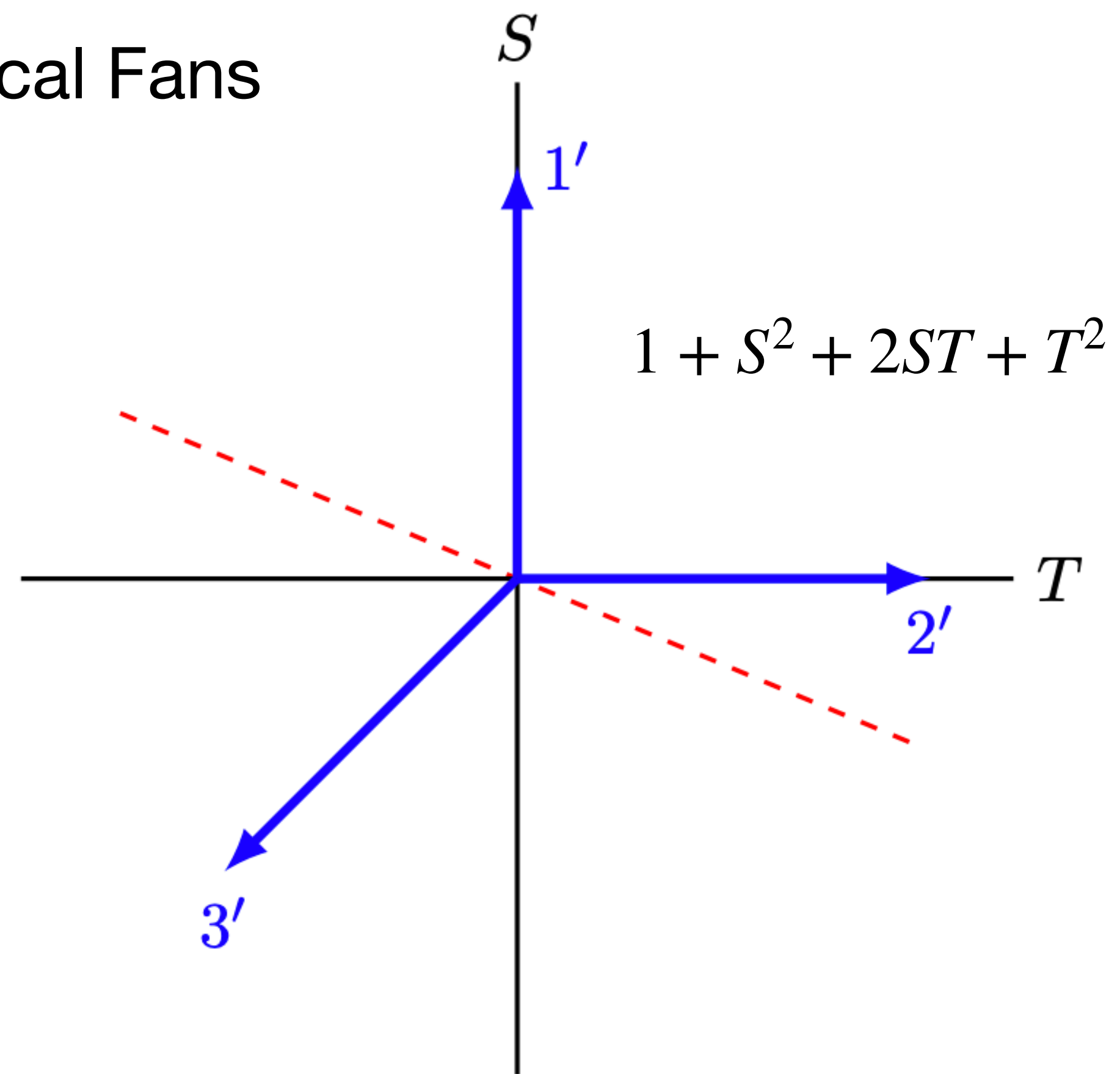
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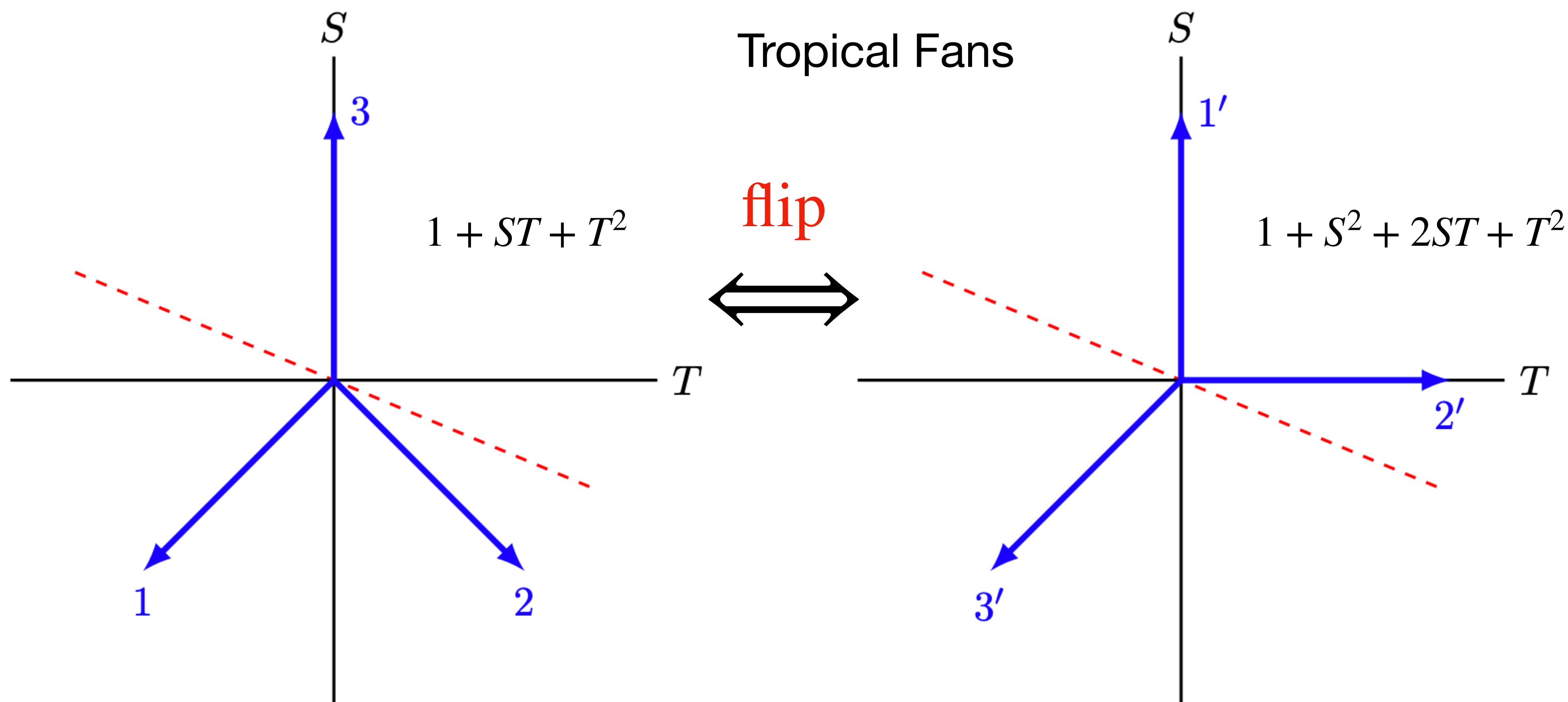
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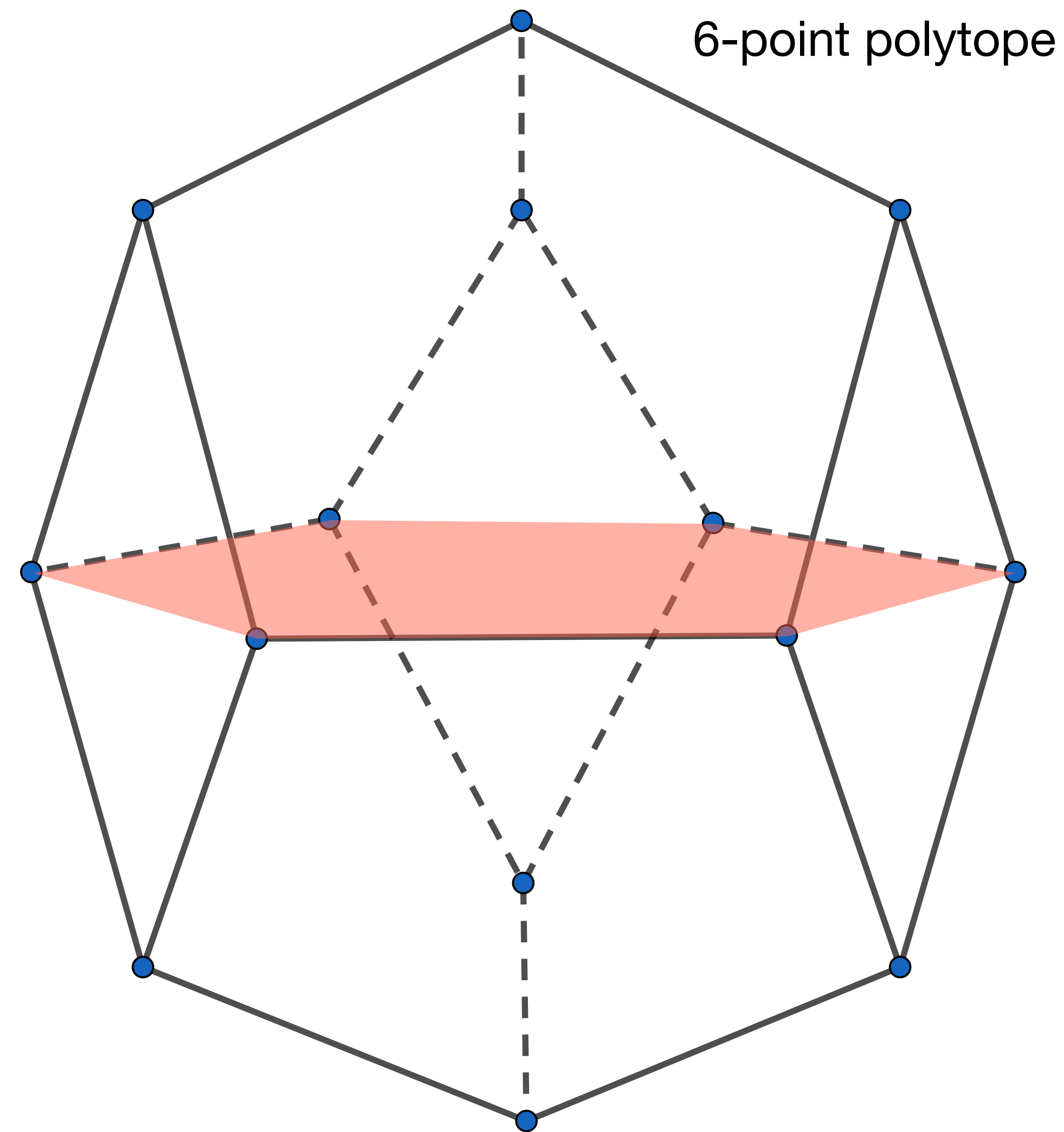
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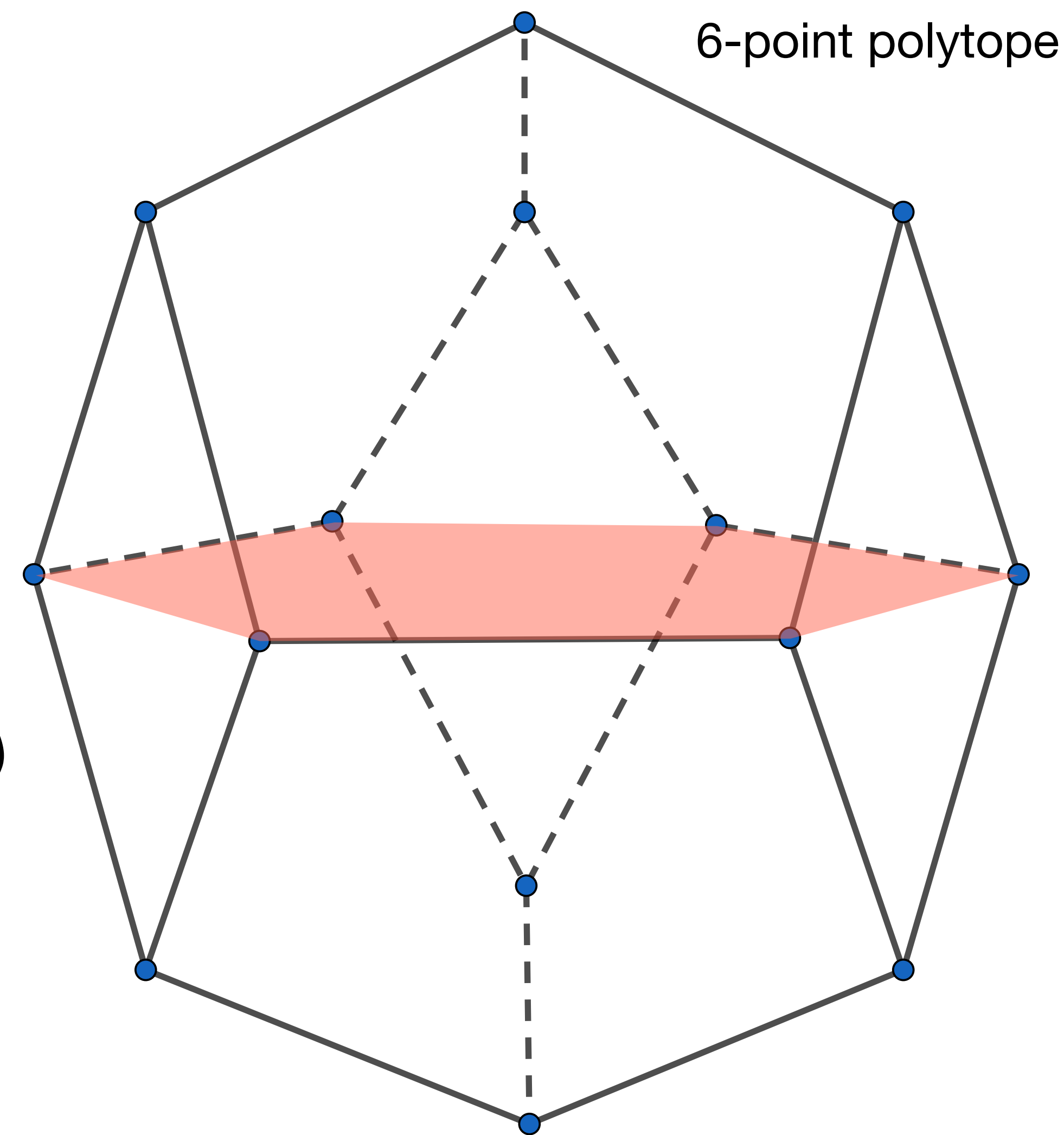
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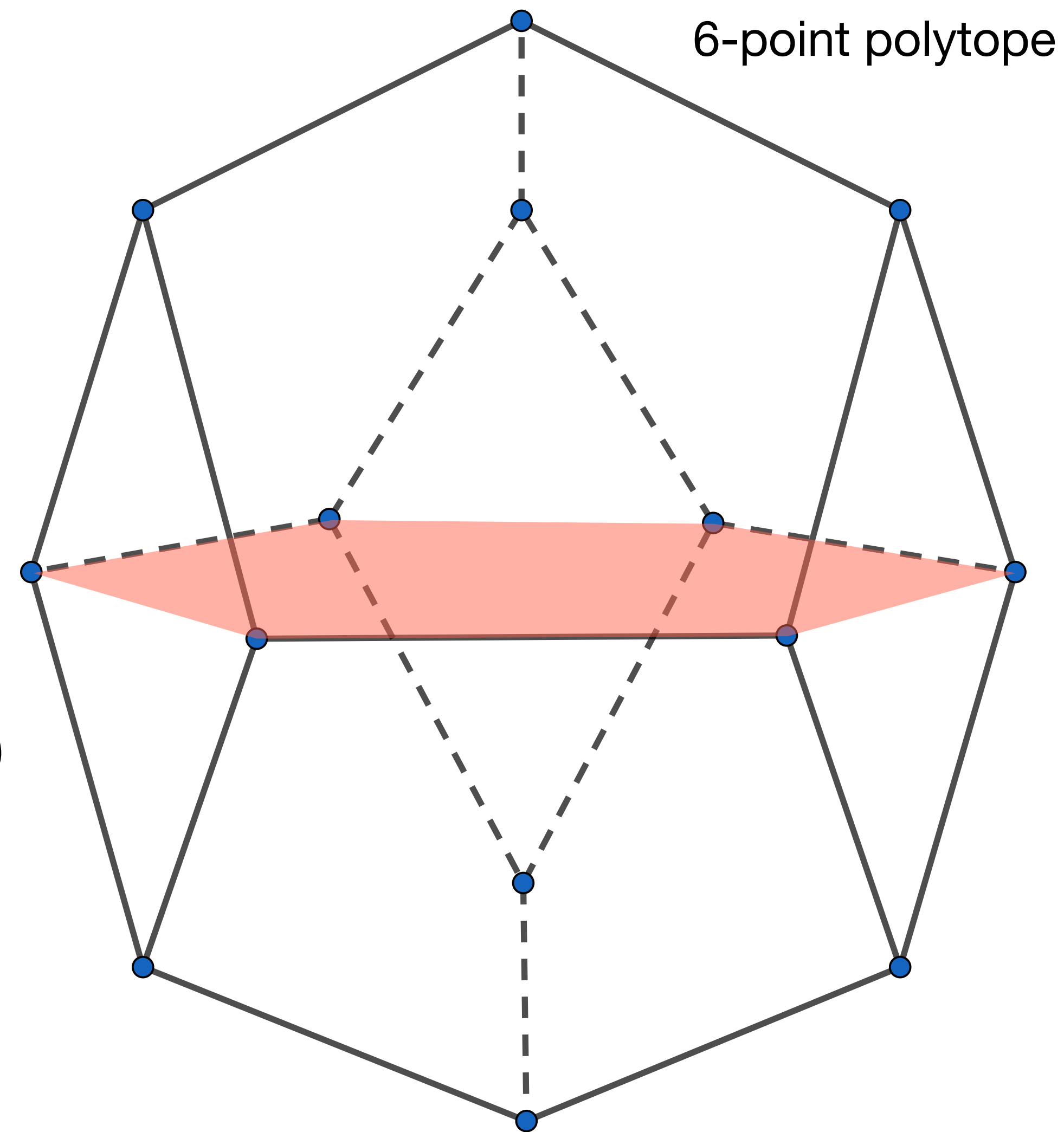
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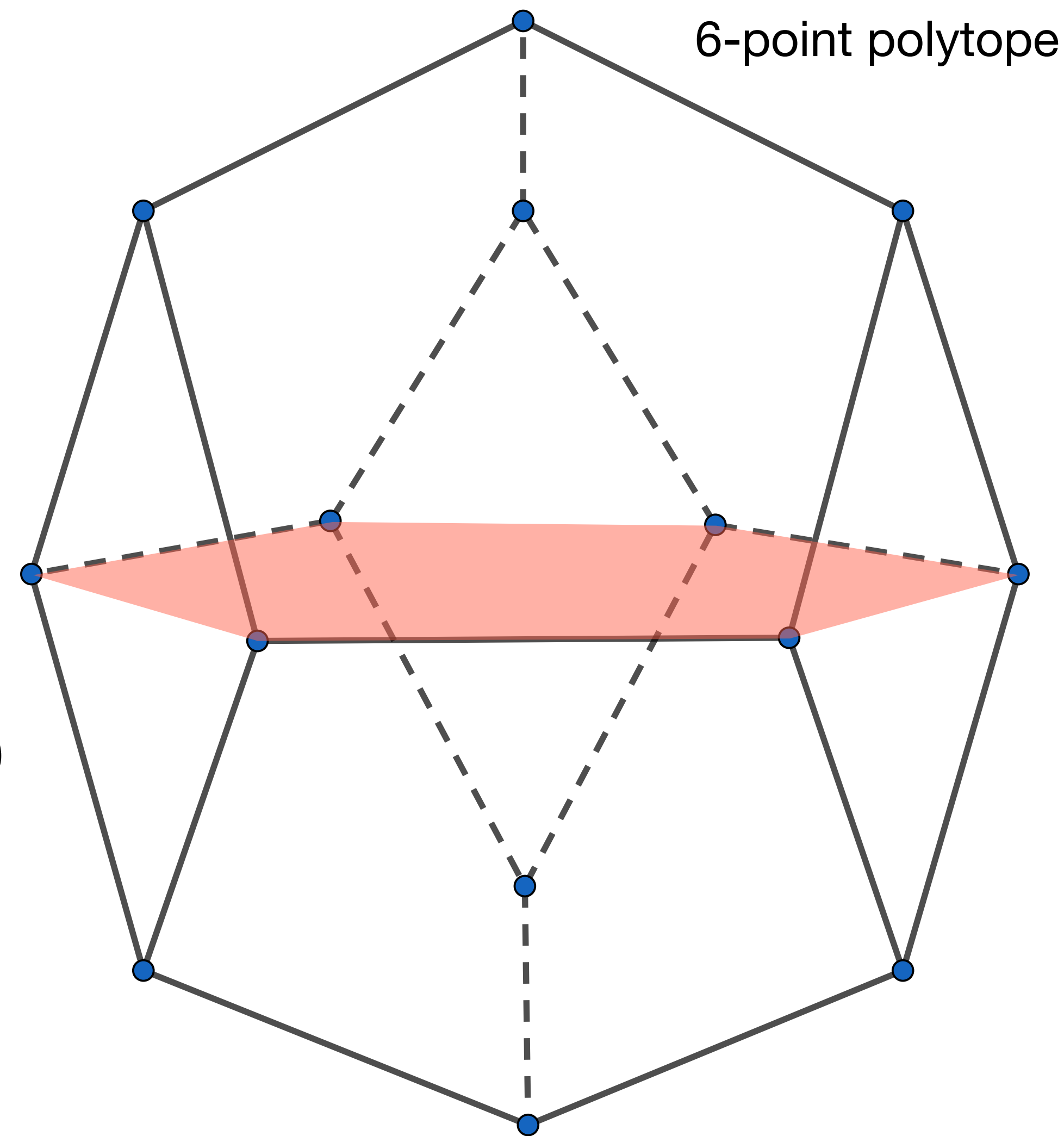
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