

DOMAIN WALLS IN THE AXIVERSE

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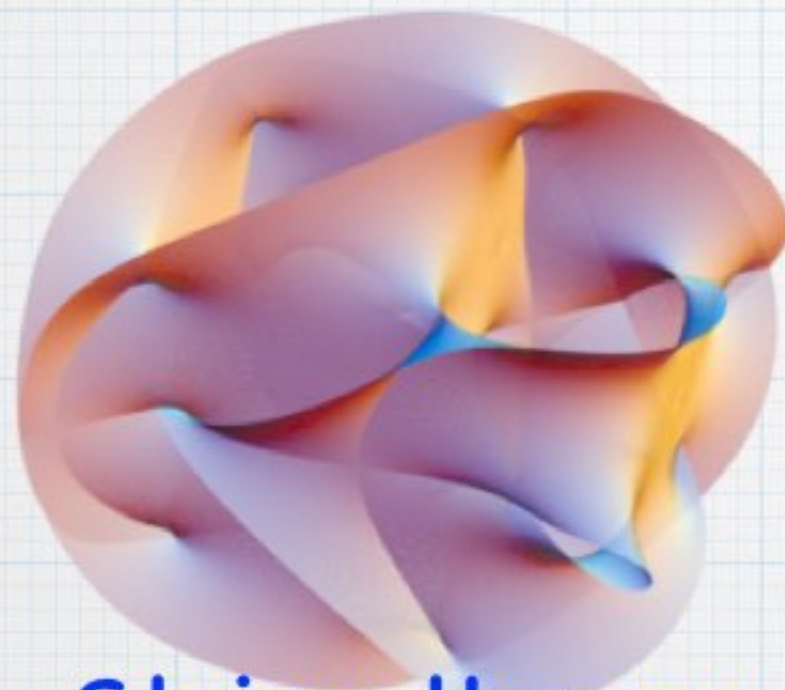
Collaboration with Ryuji Daido & Fuminobu Takahashi

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String Axion



String theory



Axions



+

moduli

AXIVERSE

Arvanitaki et al (2010)



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Dark matter

Inflaton

baryogenesis

Solving strong CP problem



Dark energy

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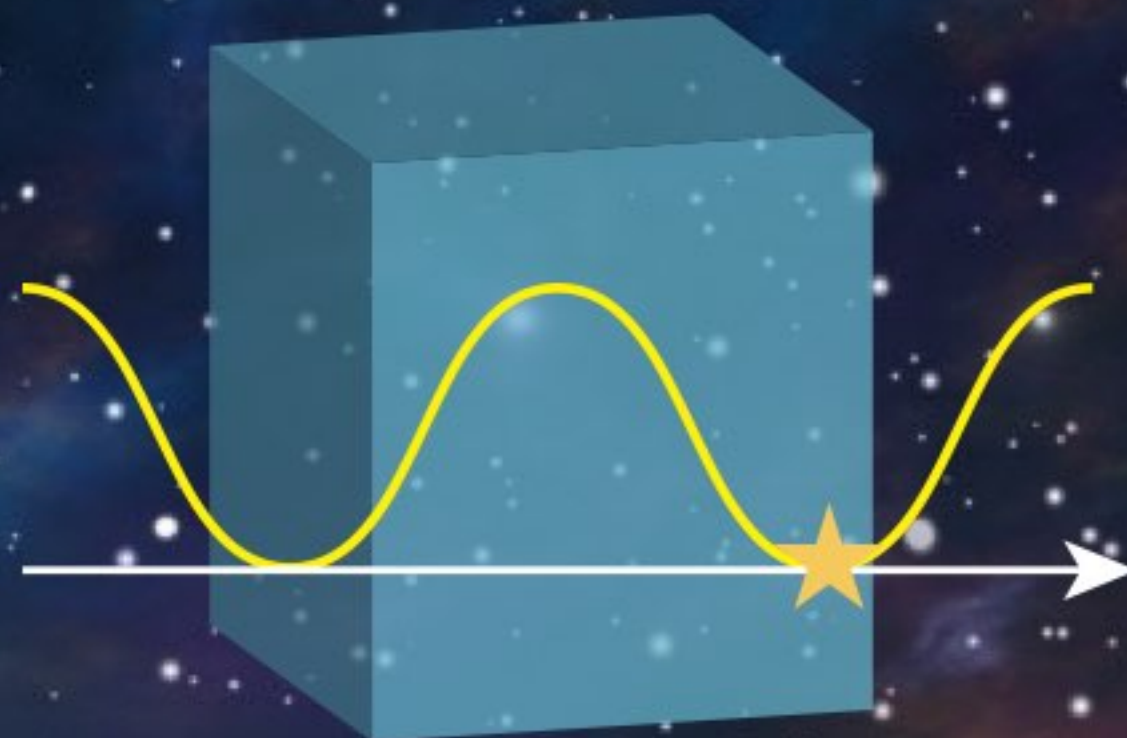
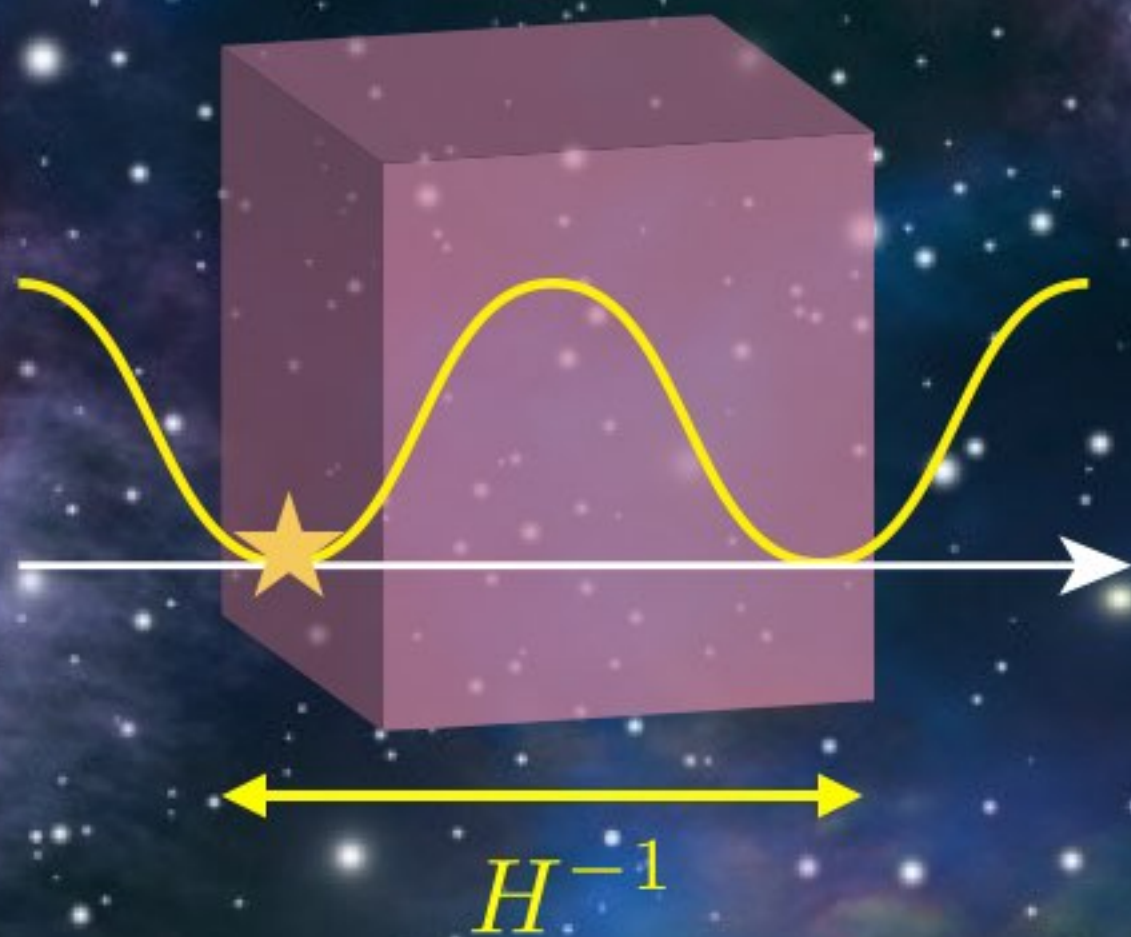
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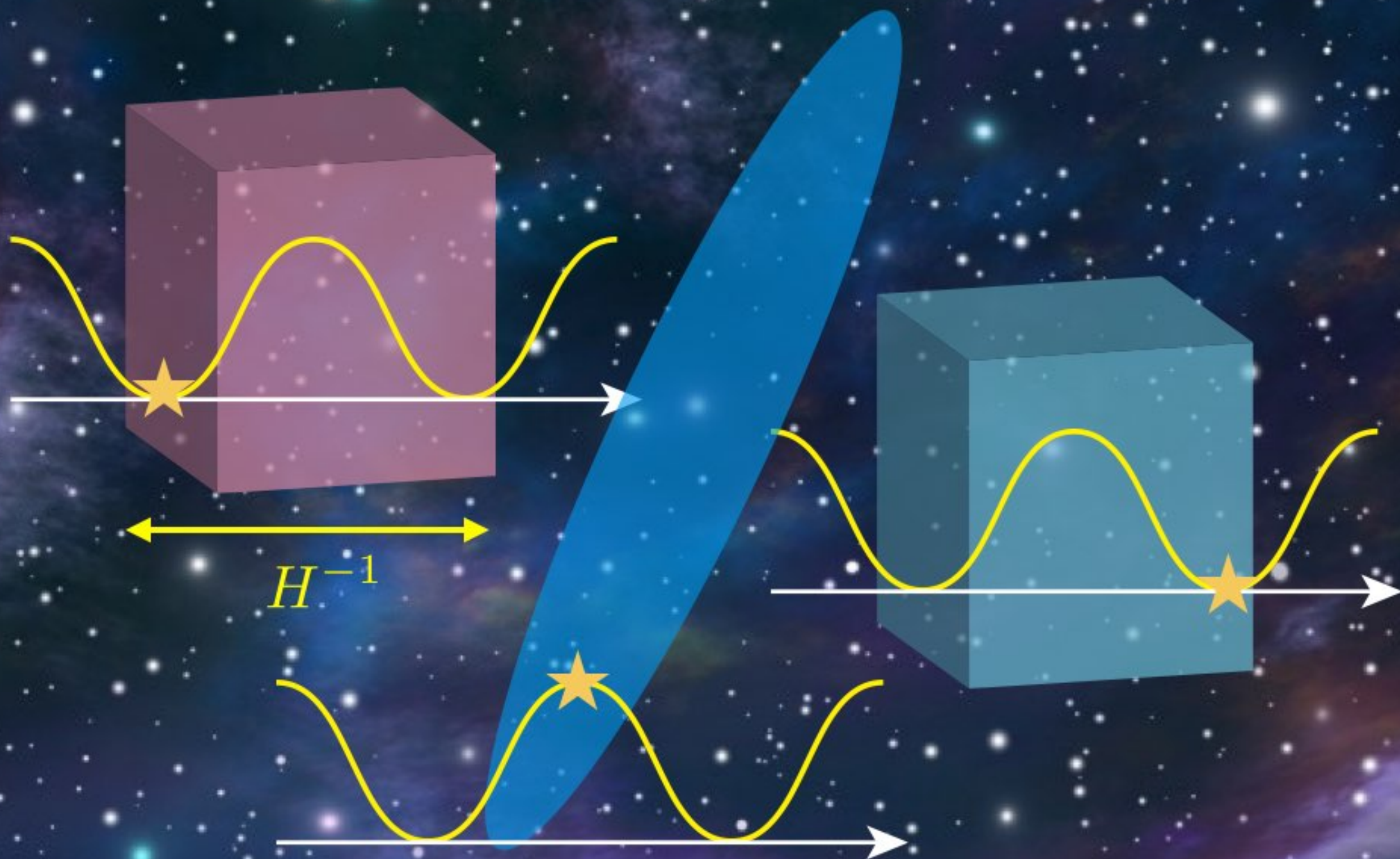


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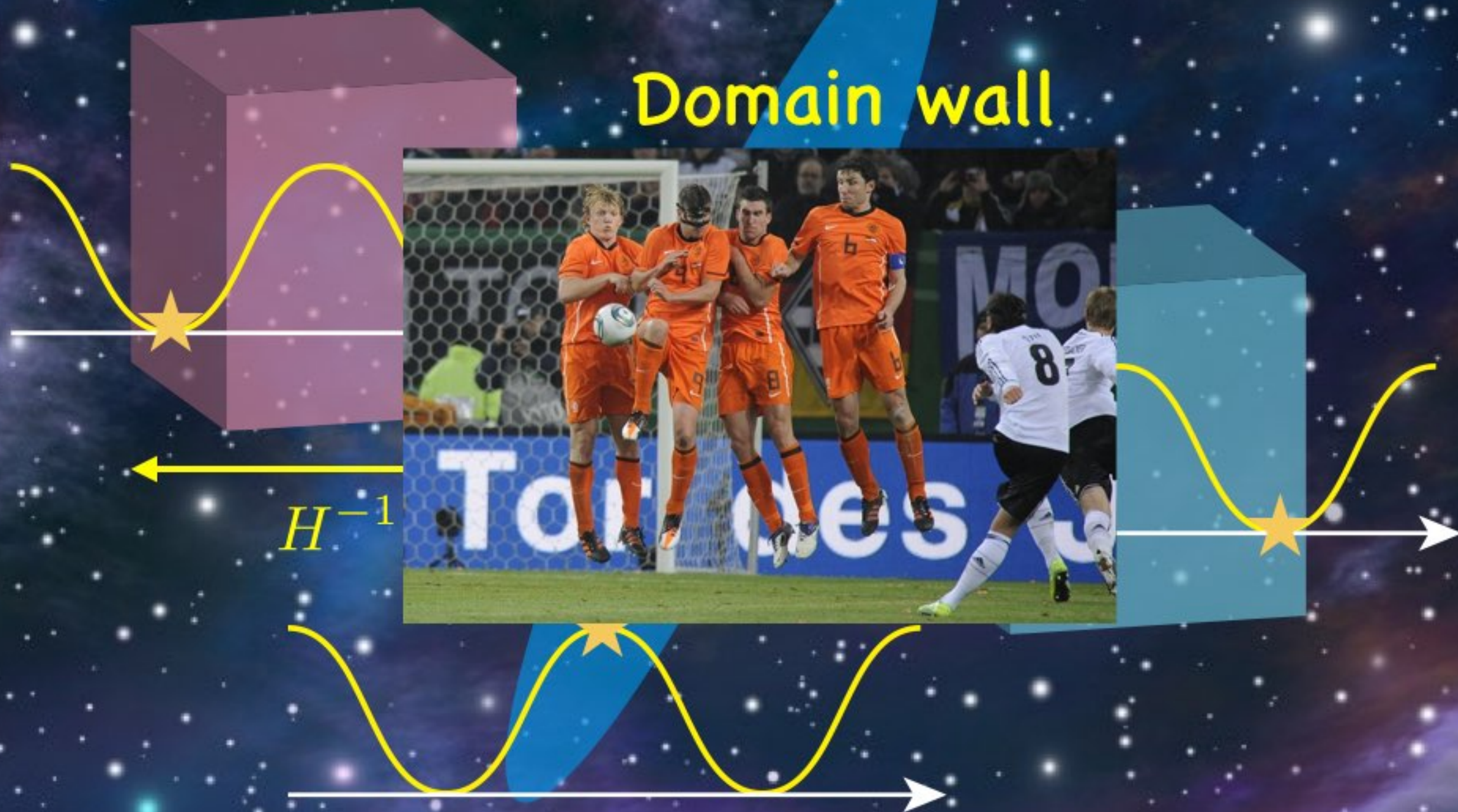


many degenerate minima!



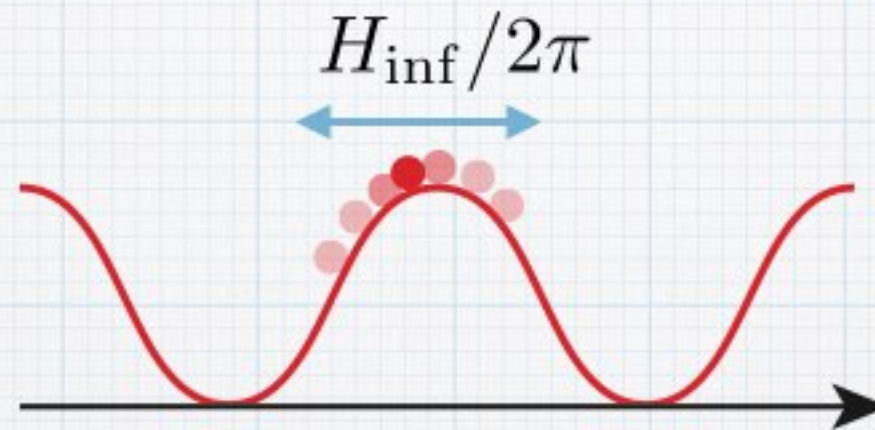


Domain wall

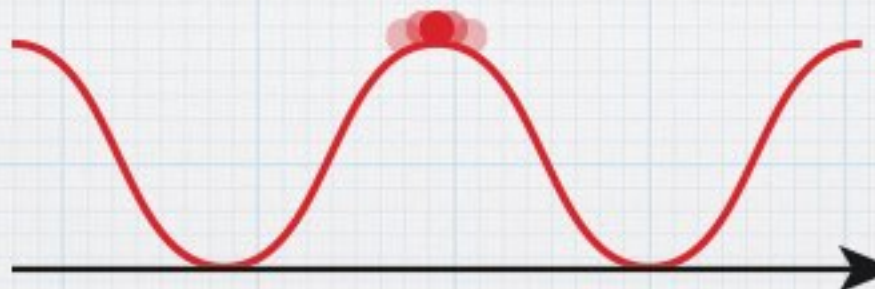


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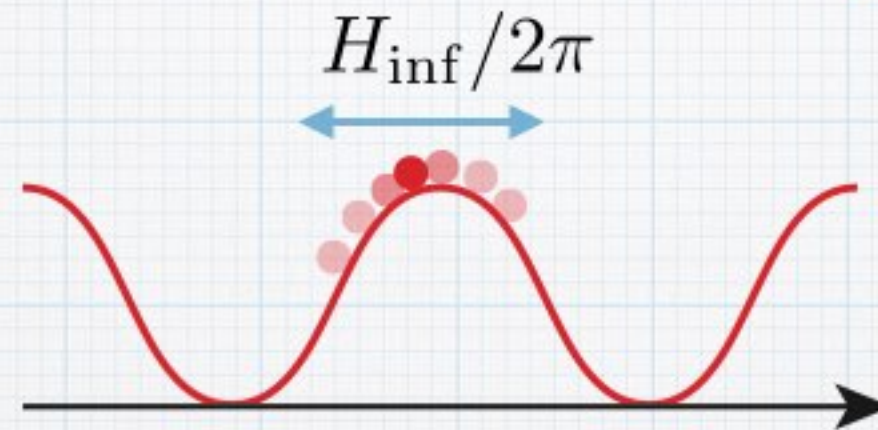


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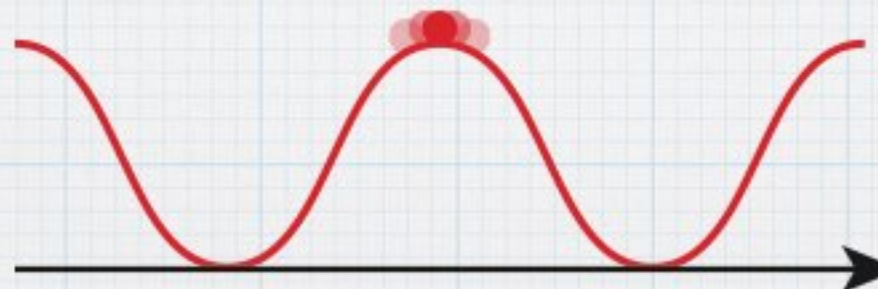


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- Level crossing

New!

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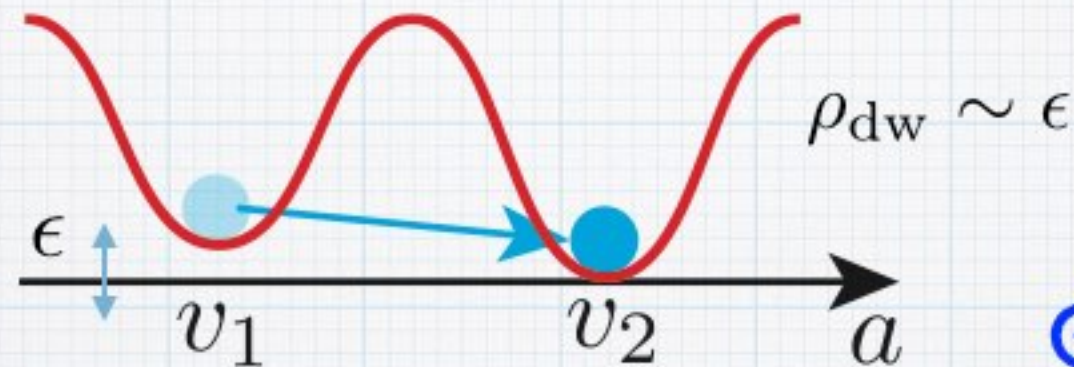
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Cosmological catastrophe

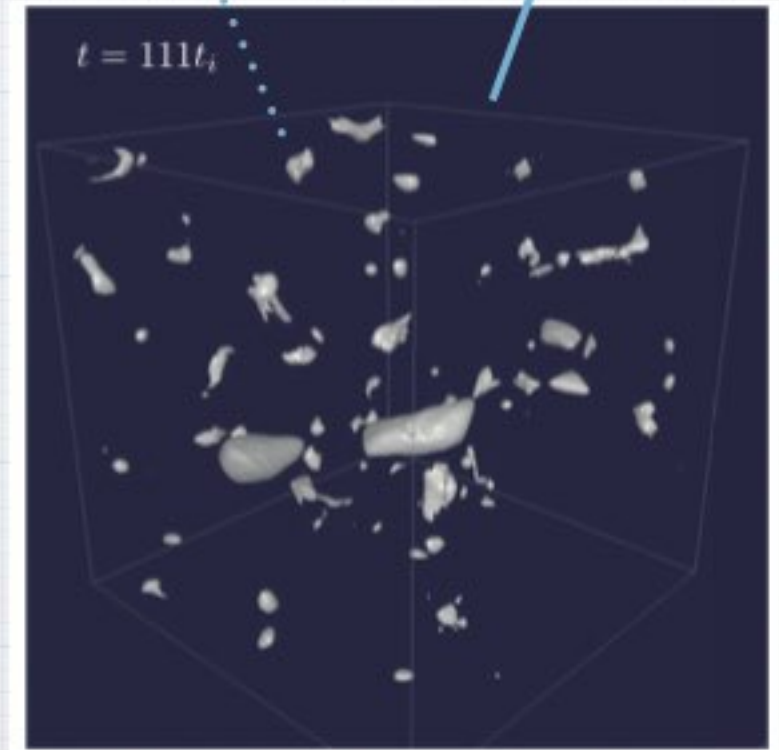
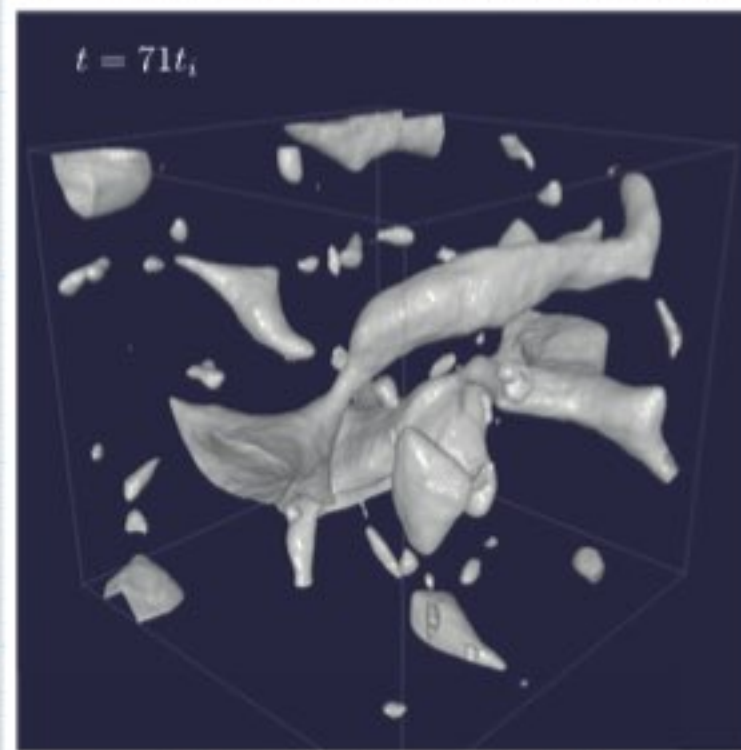
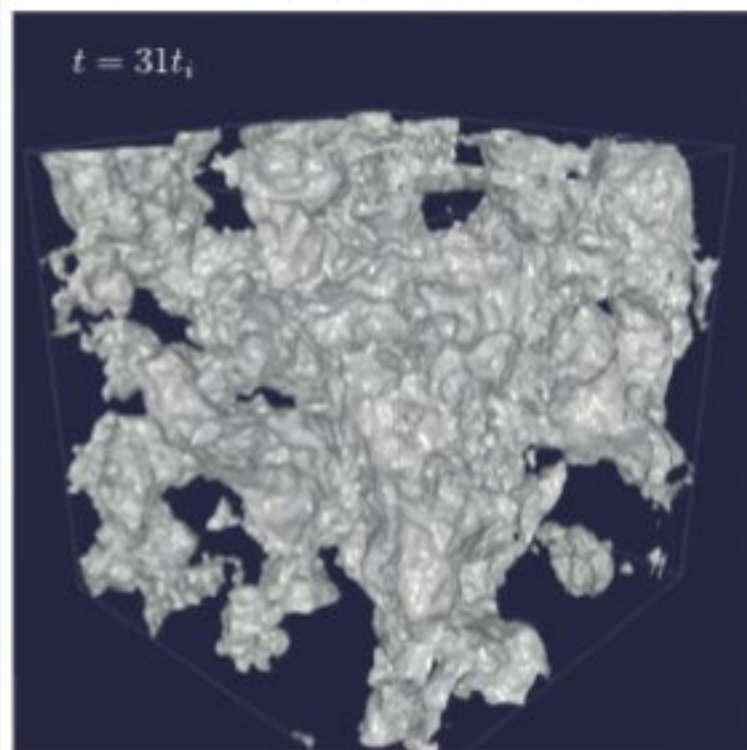
Domain wall annihilation

energy bias $\longrightarrow$ domain wall annihilation



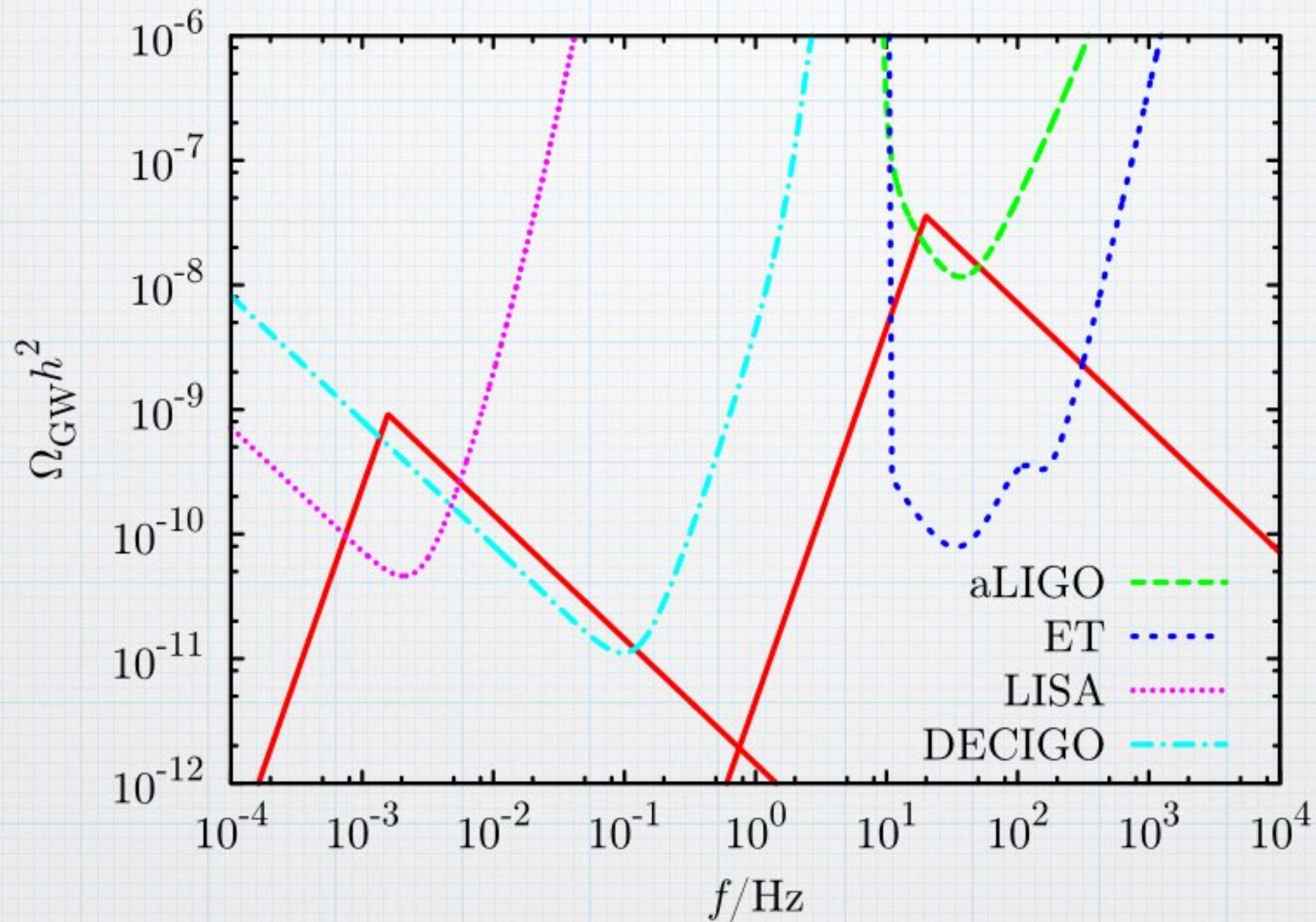
GW

axion



Hiramatsu, Kawasaki, Saikawa (2010)

Gravitational waves from domain walls



Hiramatsu, Kawasaki, Saikawa (2014)



I Domain wall formation via axion roulette

R. Daido, NK, F. Takahashi, [arXiv:1505.07670](https://arxiv.org/abs/1505.07670)

Two axion model

C. T. Hill, G. G. Ross (1988), NK, F. Takahashi (2014)

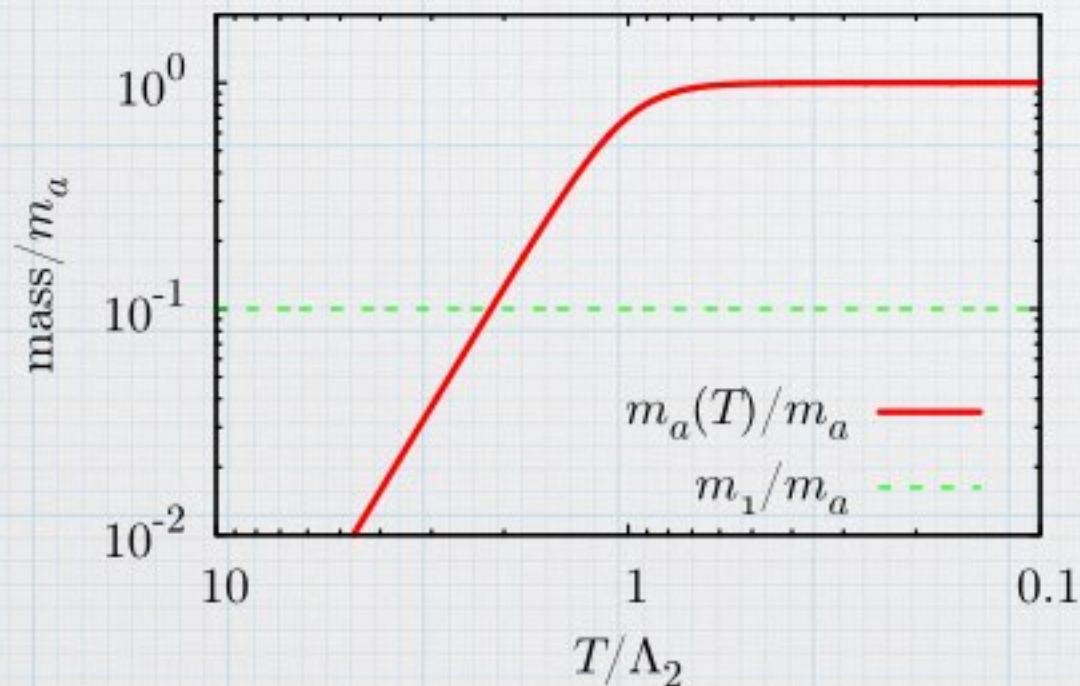
$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{i=1,2} \frac{1}{2} \partial^\mu a_i \partial_\mu a_i - V_1(a_1, a_2) - V_2(a_1, a_2)$$

$$V_1(a_1, a_2) = \Lambda_1^4 \left(1 - \cos \left(n_1 \frac{a_1}{f_1} + n_2 \frac{a_2}{f_2} \right) \right)$$

Axion mixing

$$V_2(a_1, a_2) = m_a^2(T) f_2^2 \left(1 - \cos \left(\frac{a_2}{f_2} \right) \right)$$

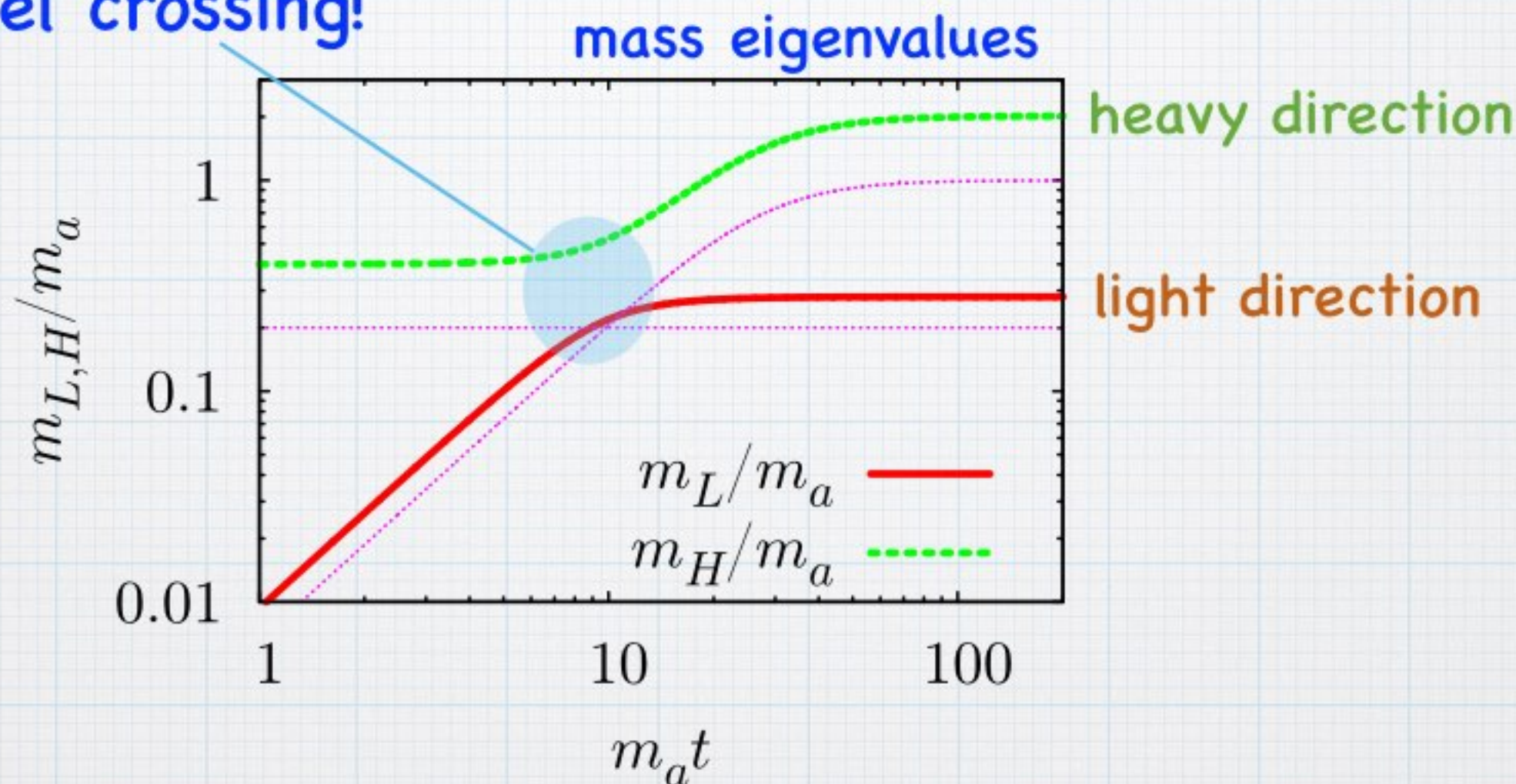
Temperature-dependent mass



$$m_a(T) = \min \left[m_a \left(\frac{T}{\Lambda_2} \right)^p, m_a \right]$$

Level crossing

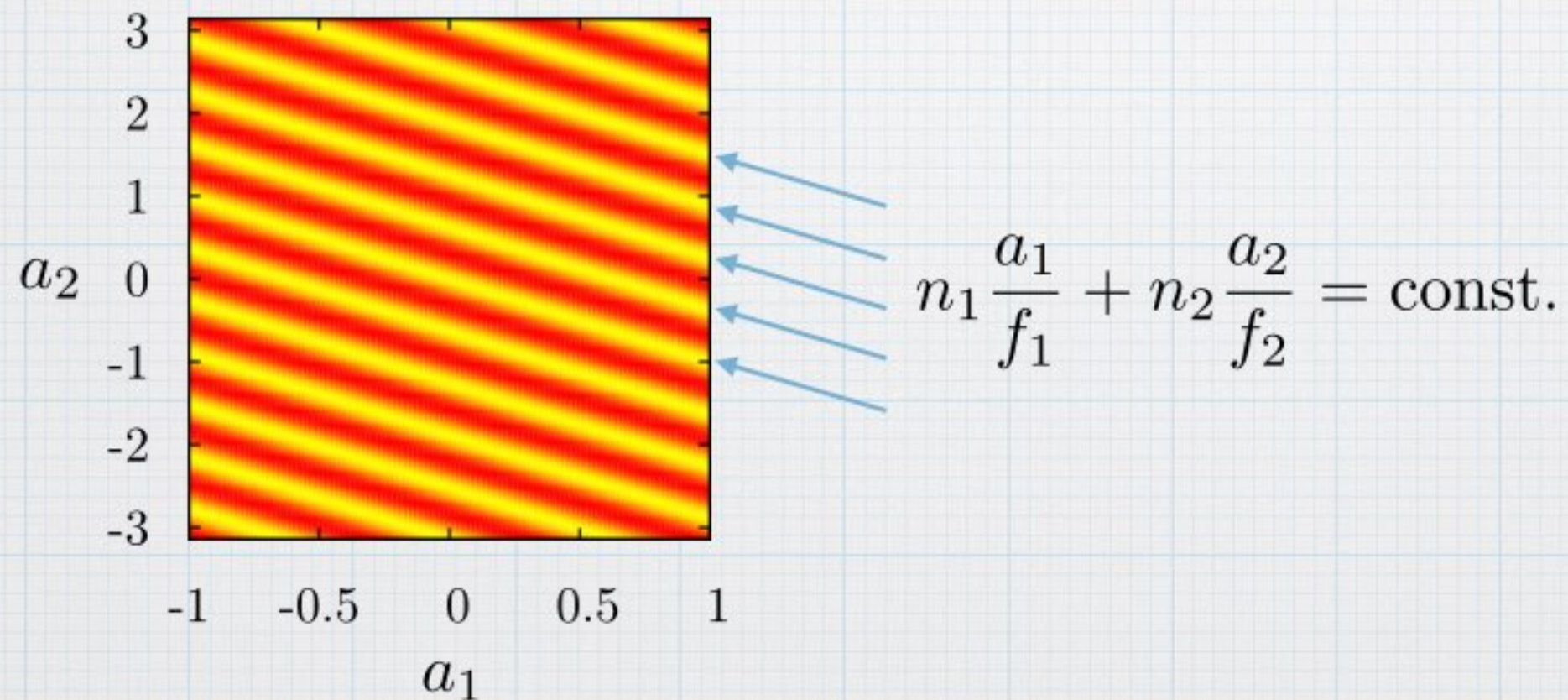
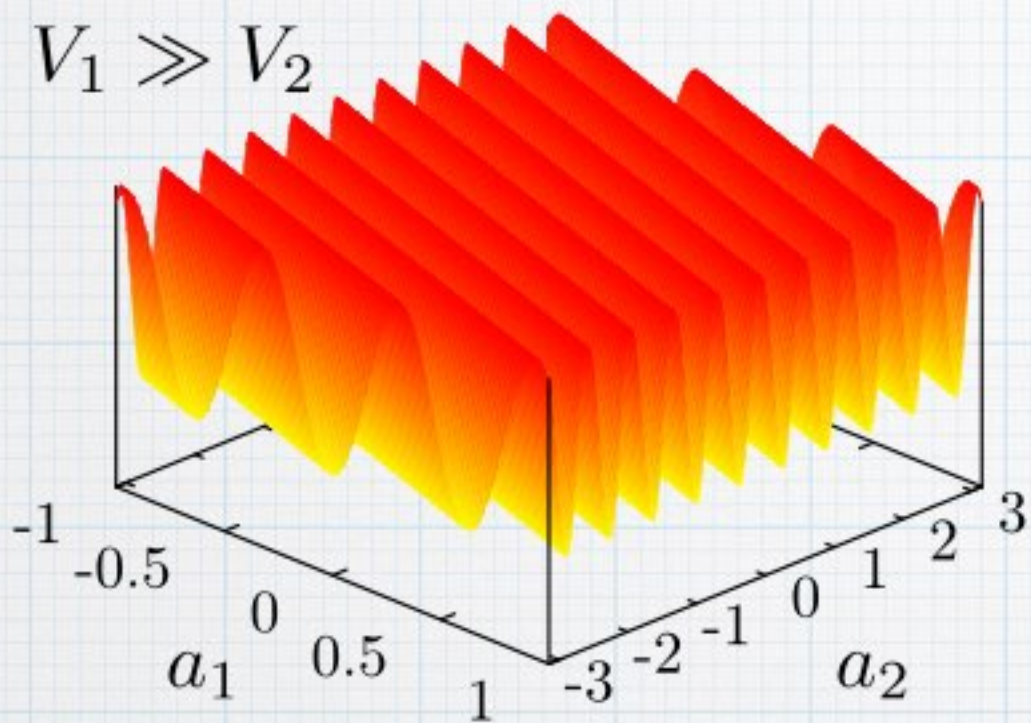
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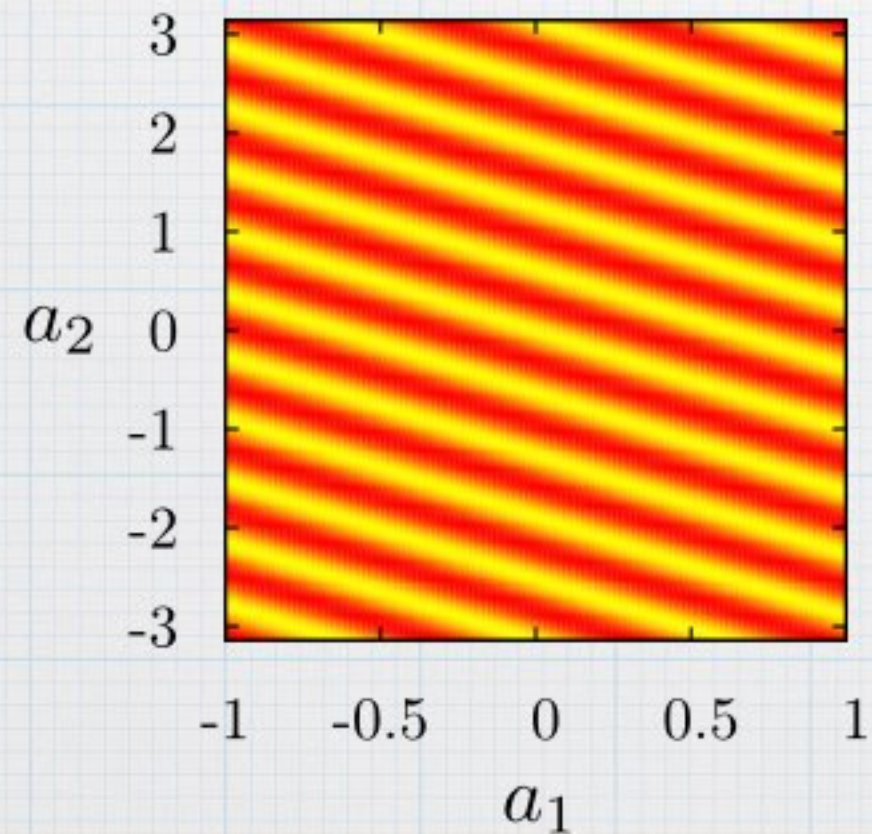
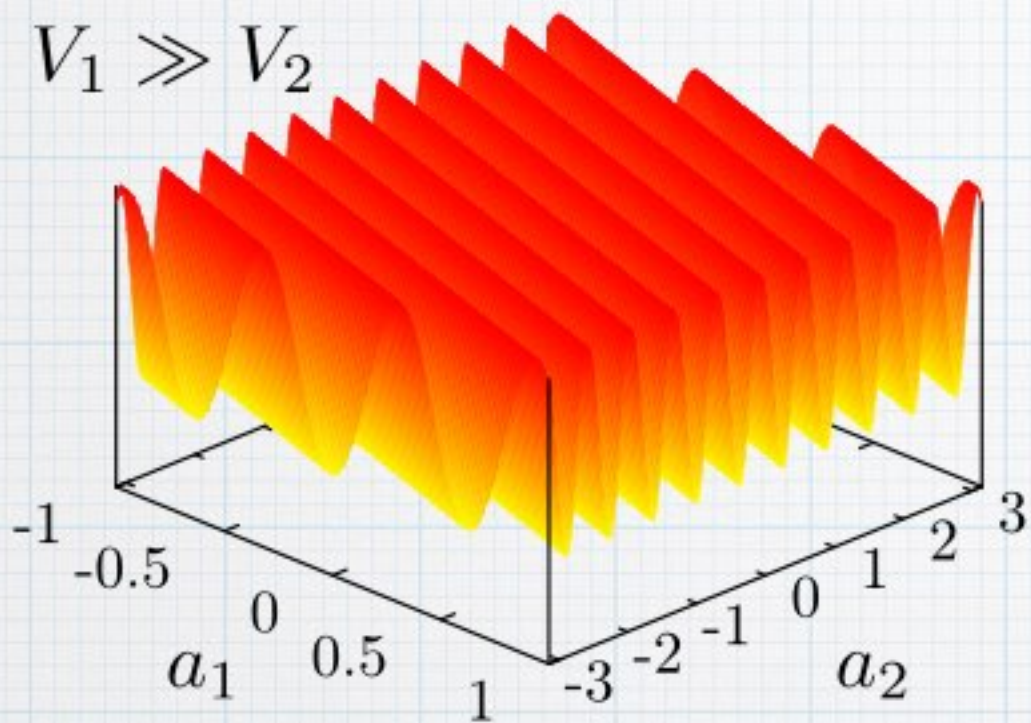
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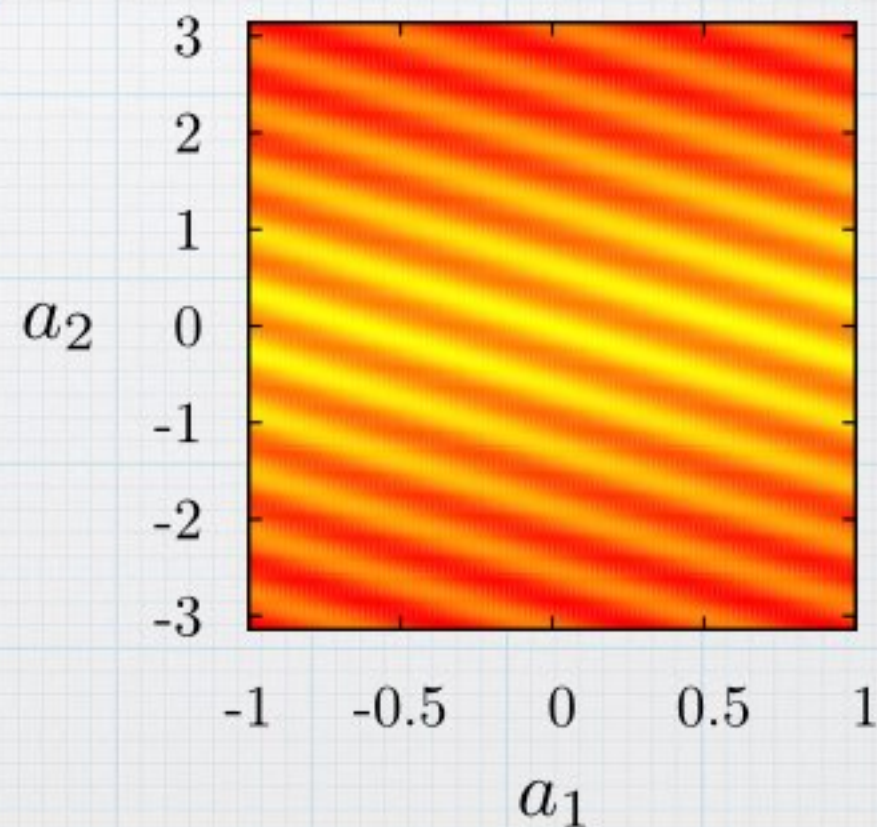
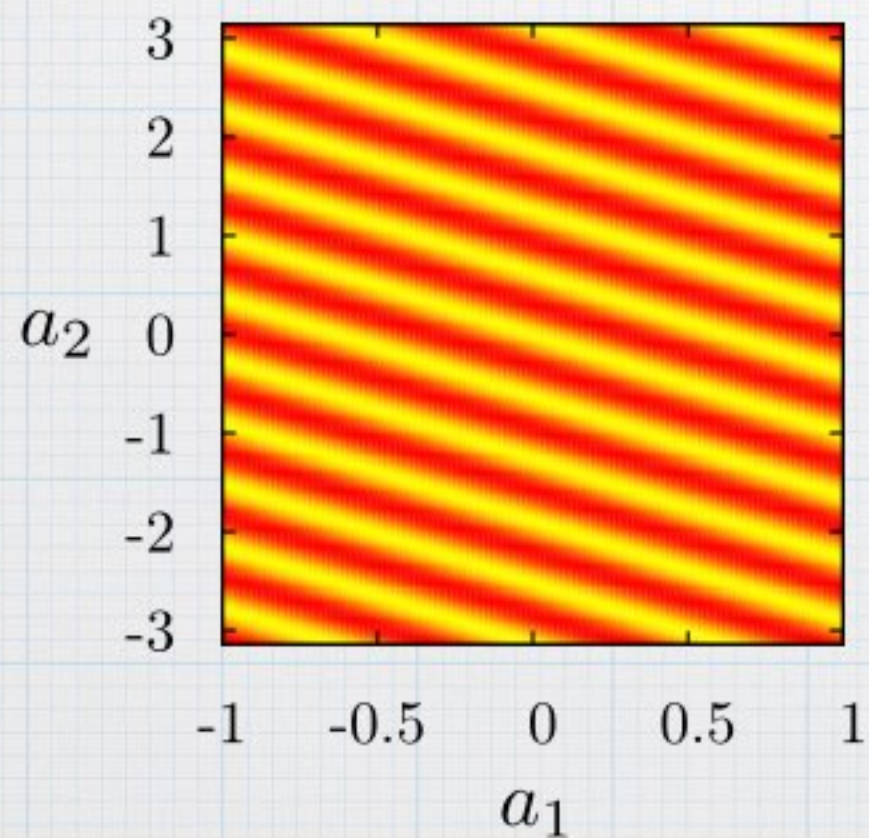
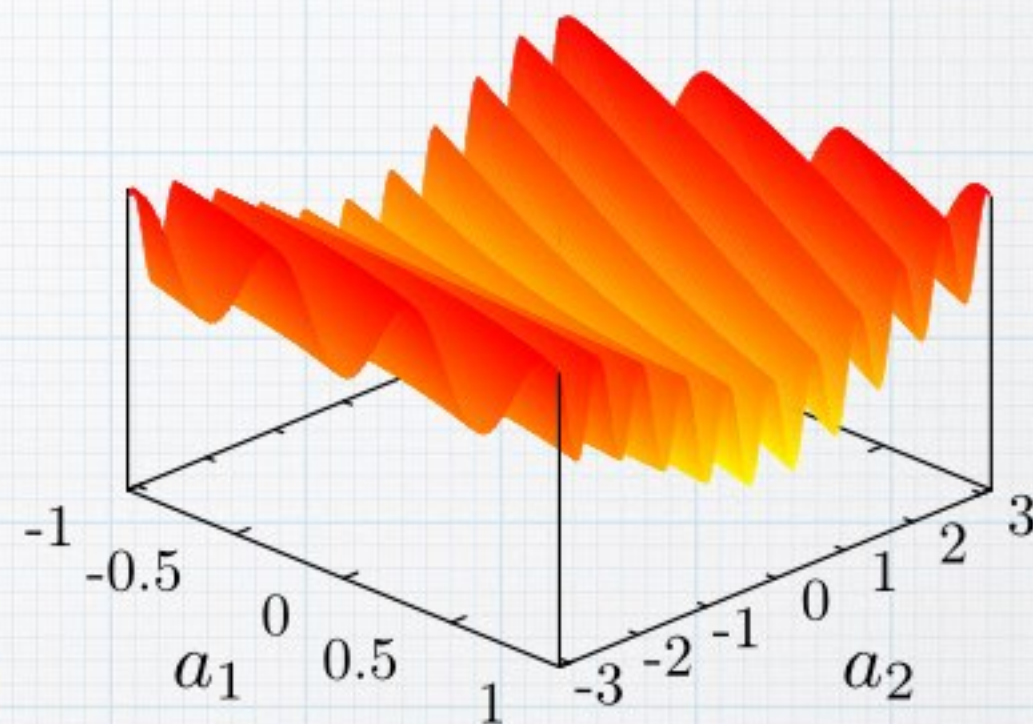
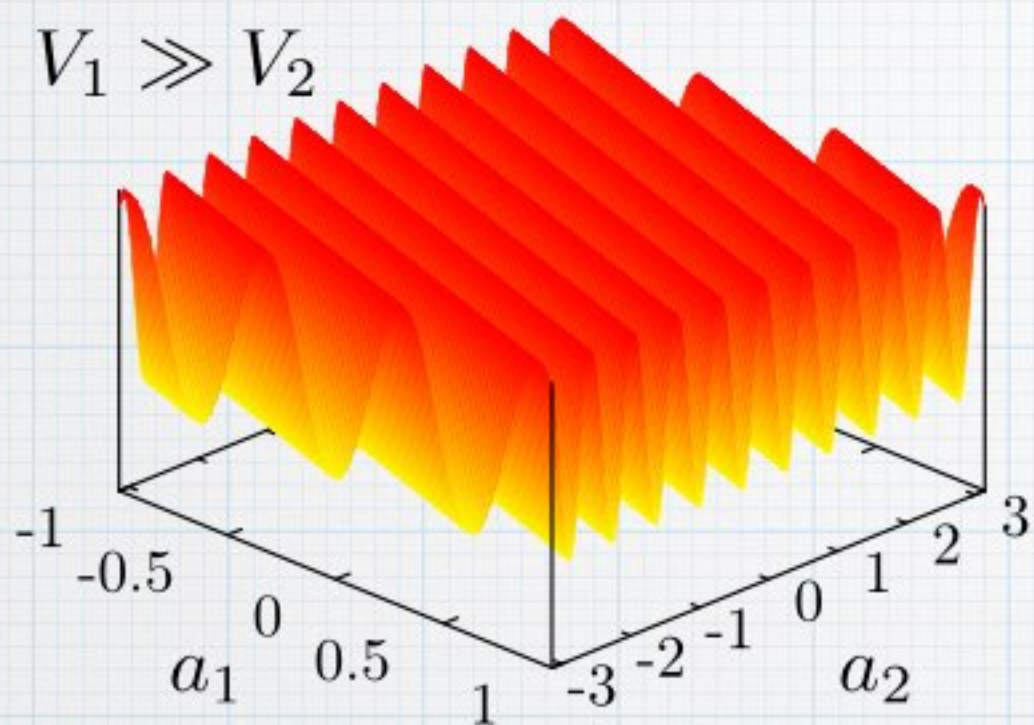


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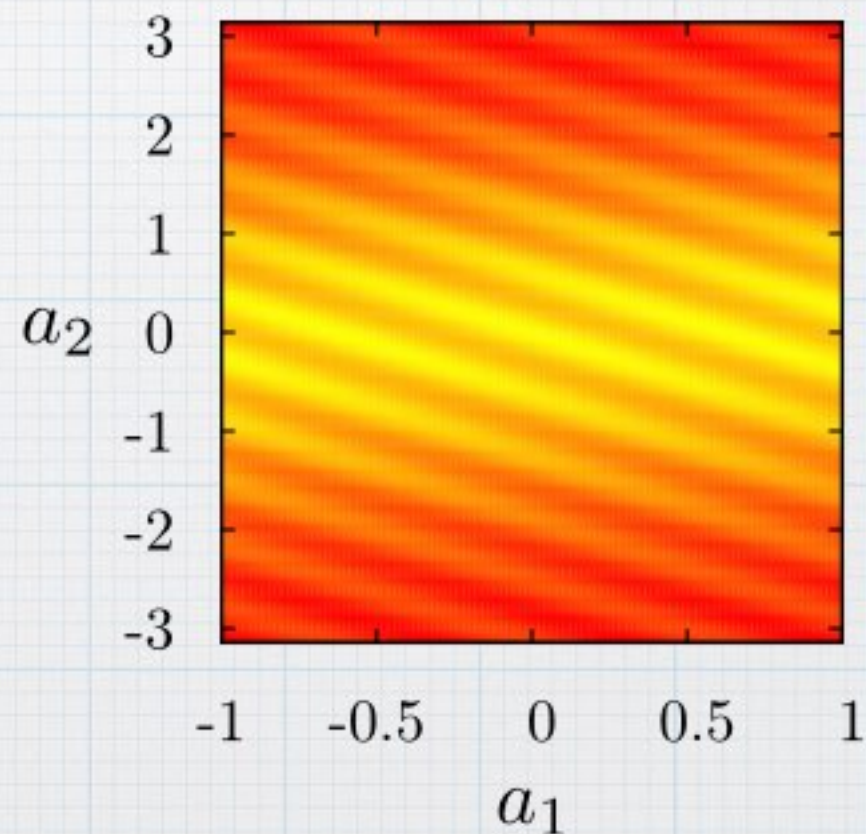
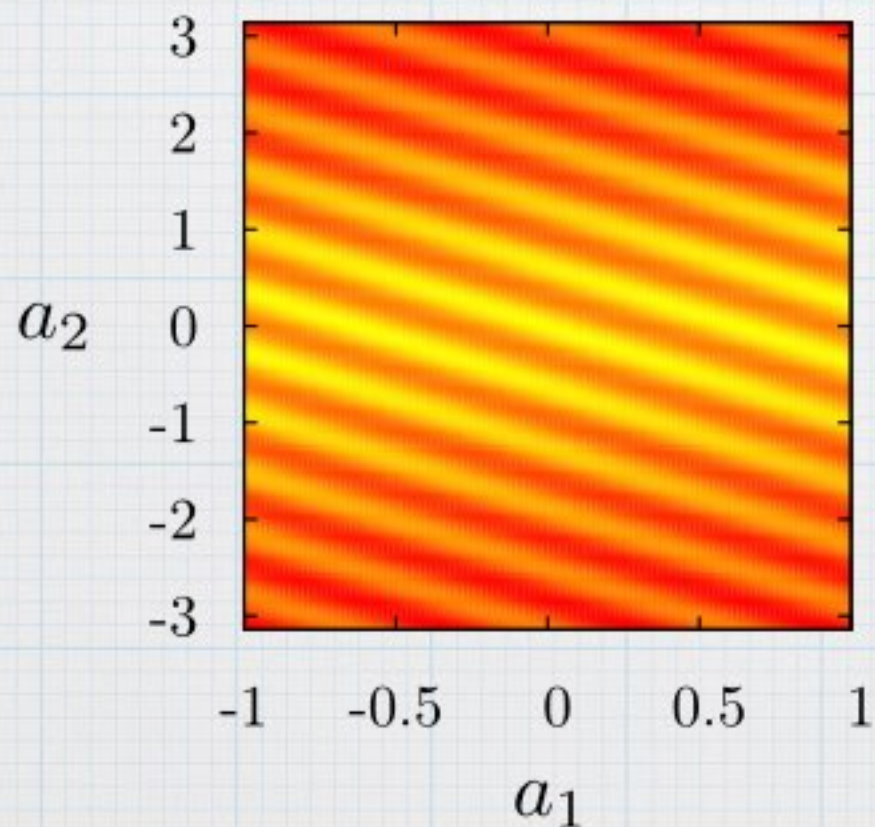
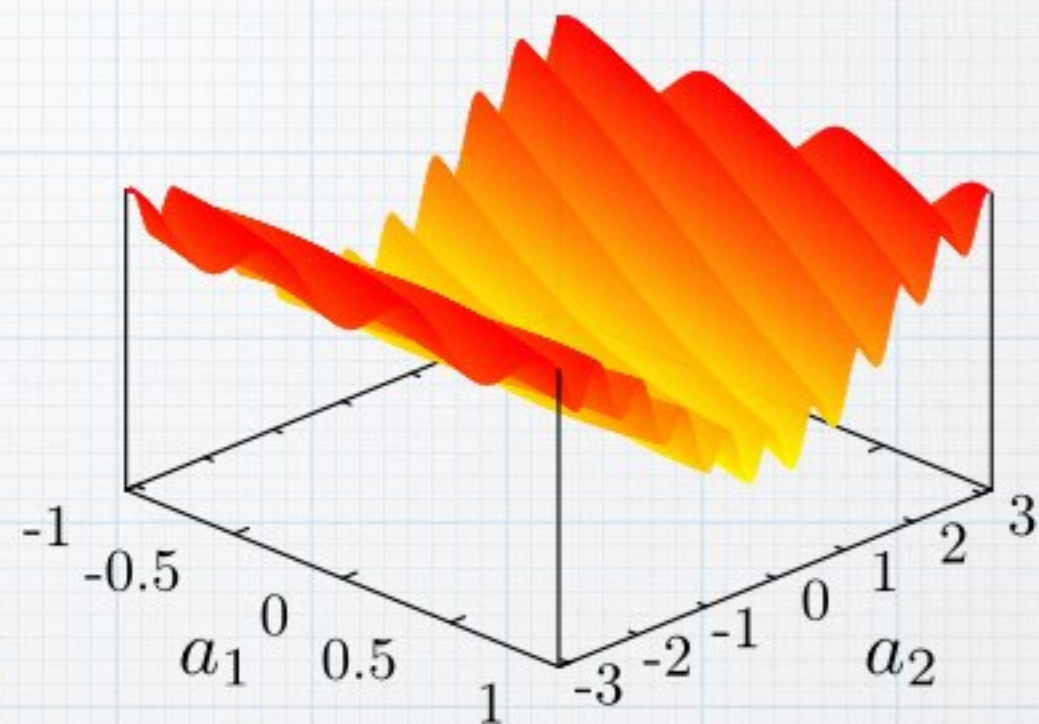
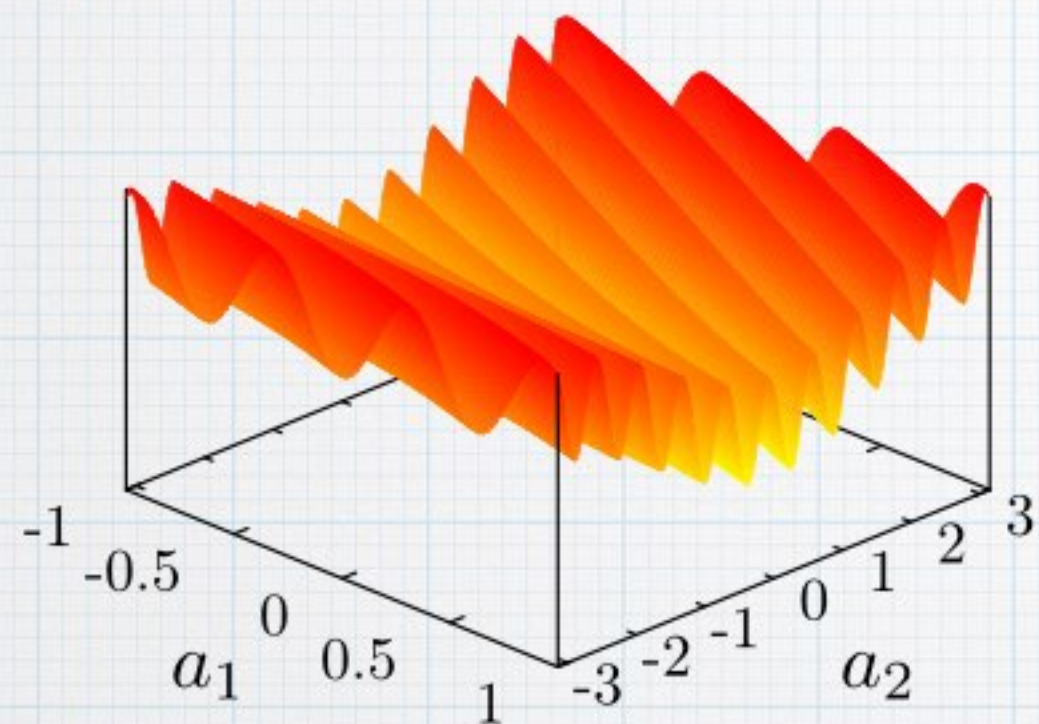


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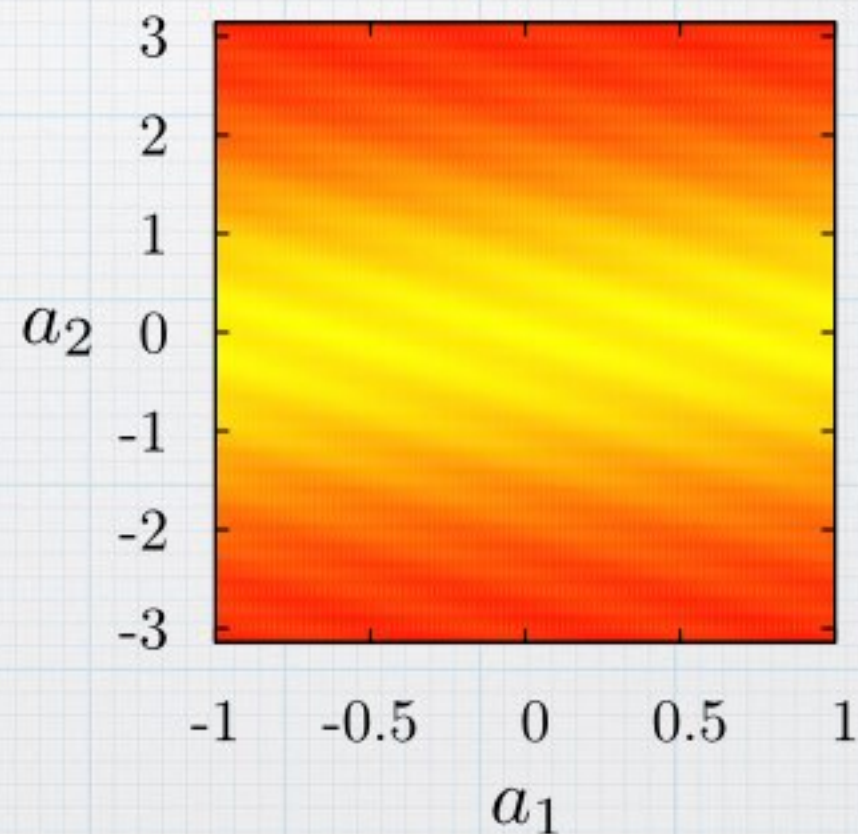
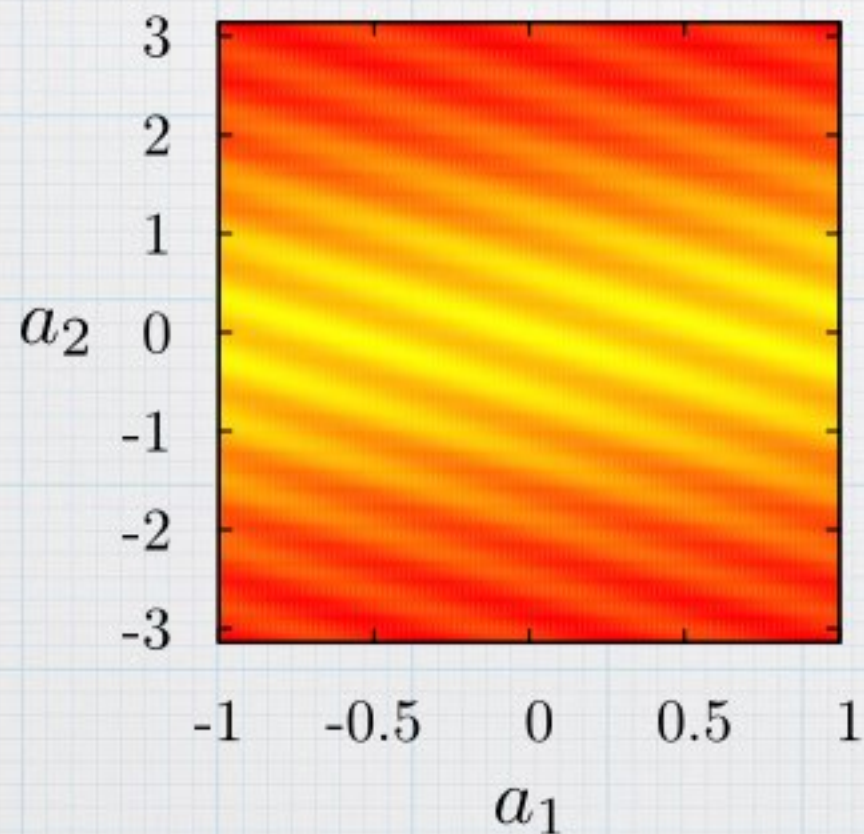
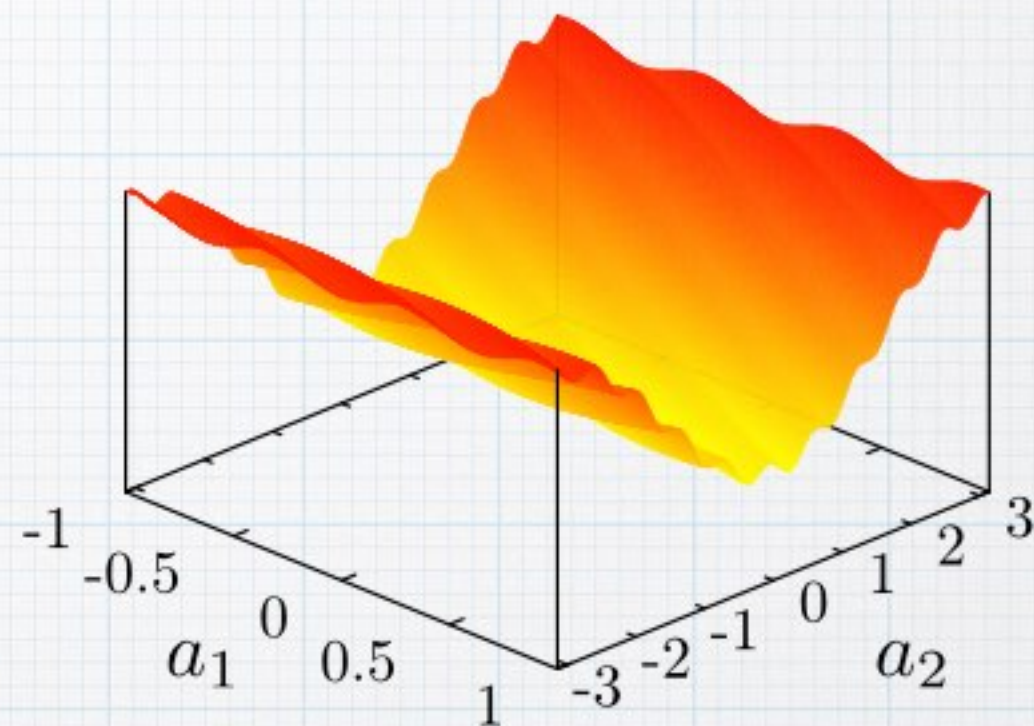
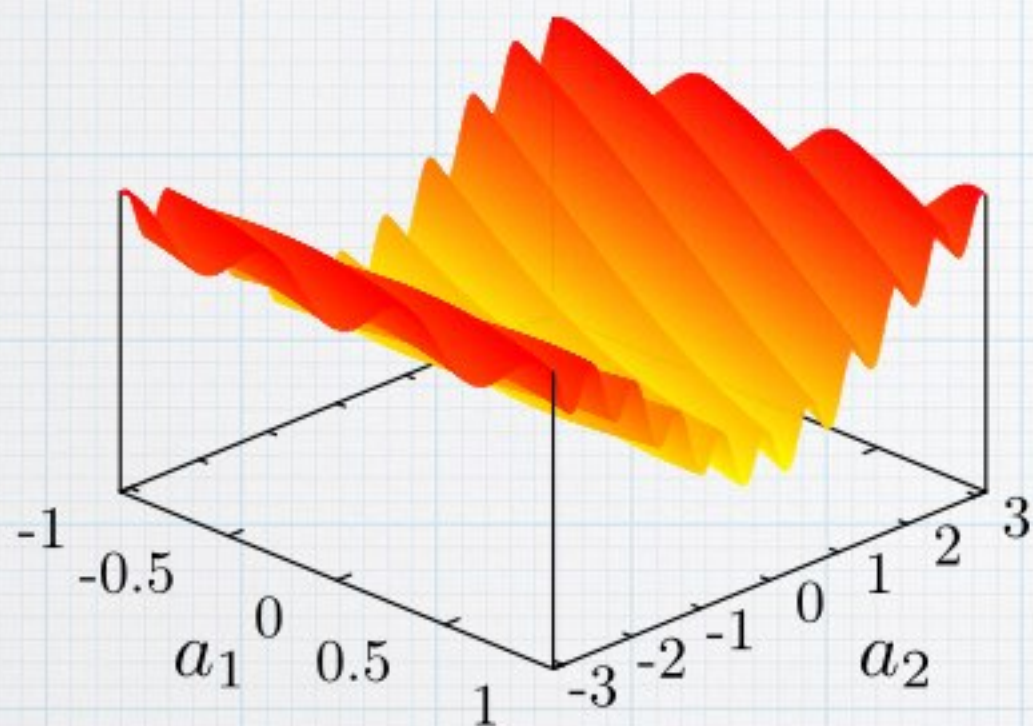
$$V_1 \gg V_2$$



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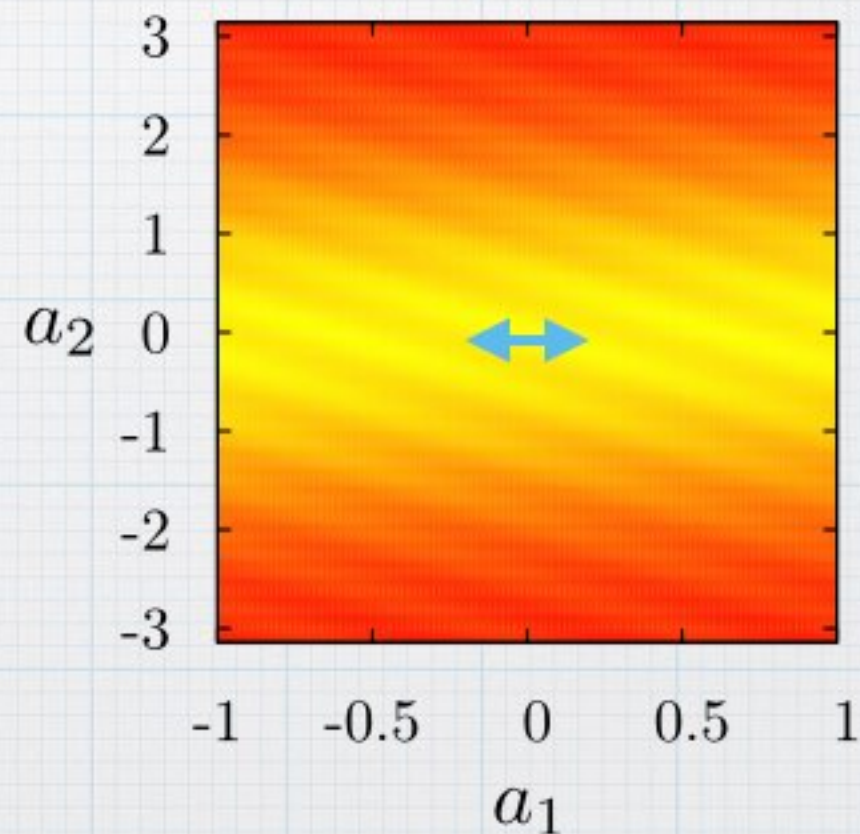
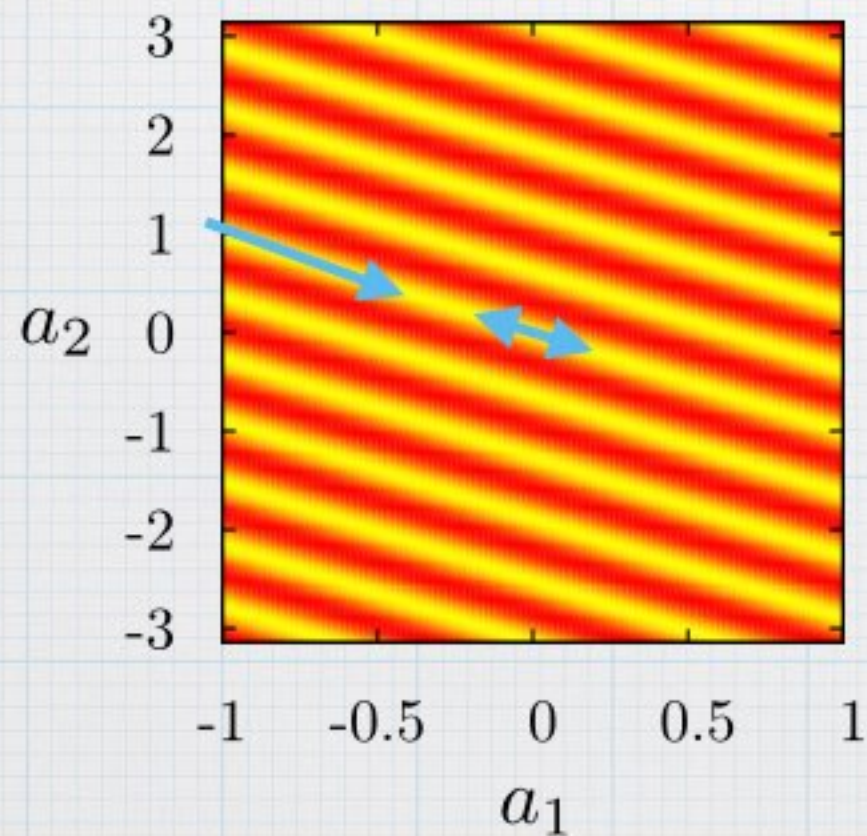
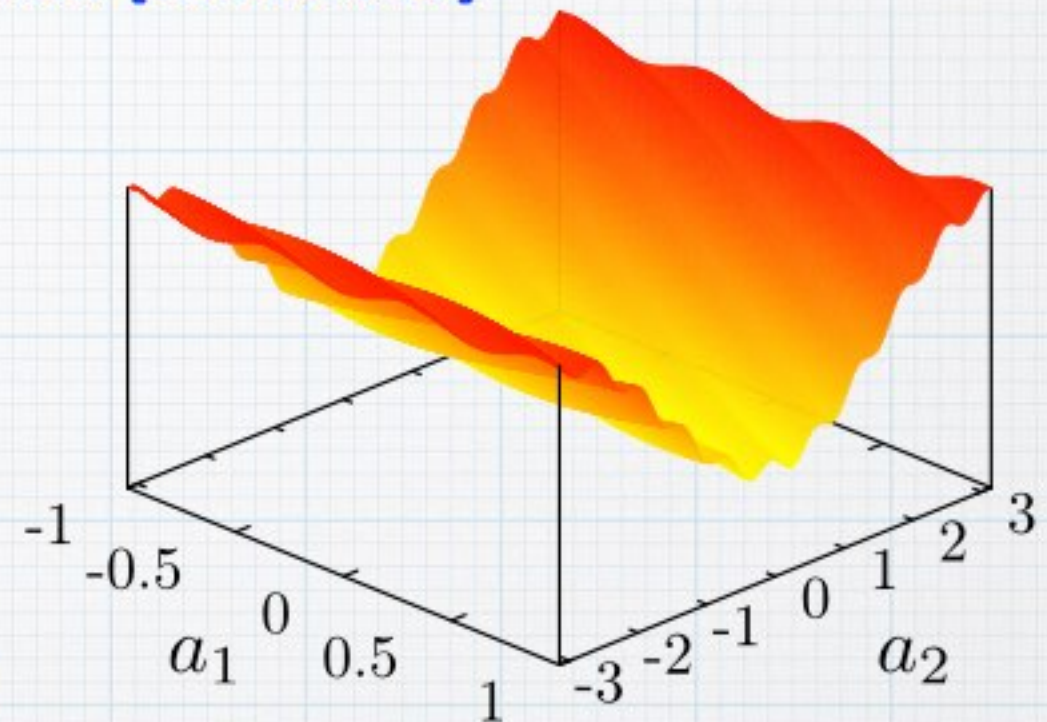
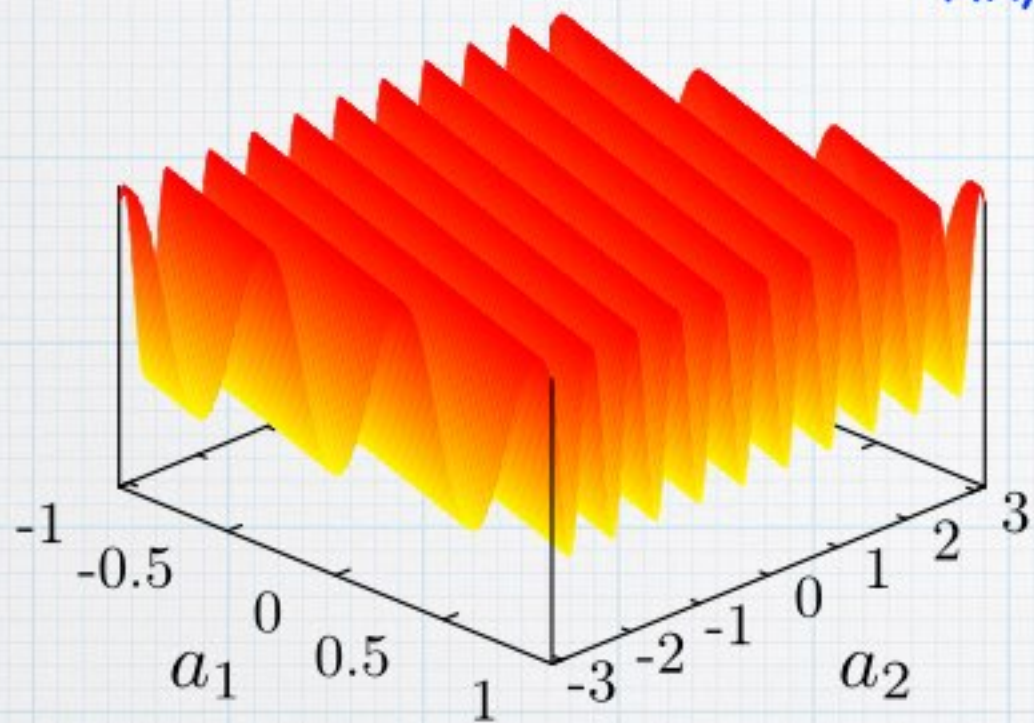


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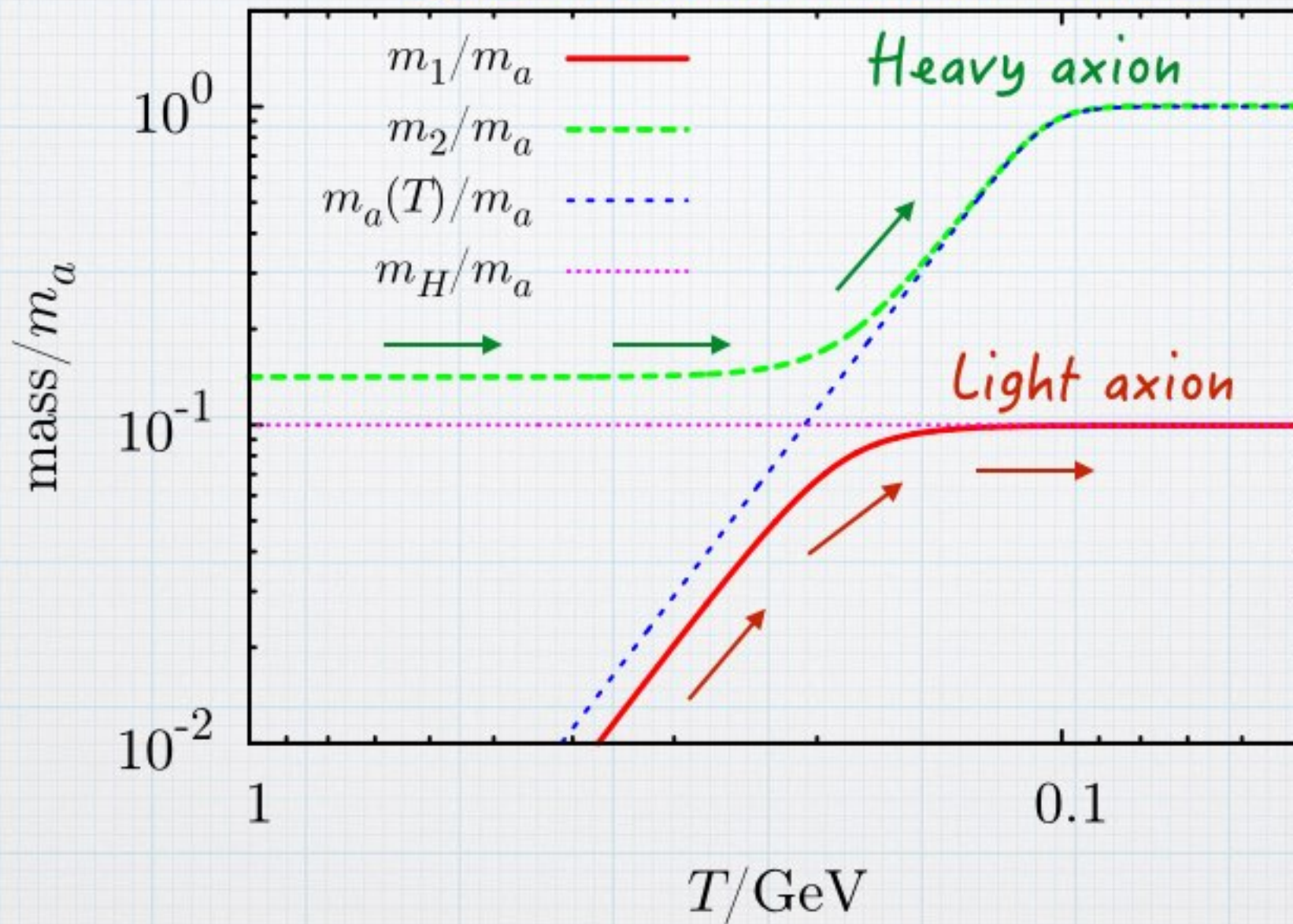
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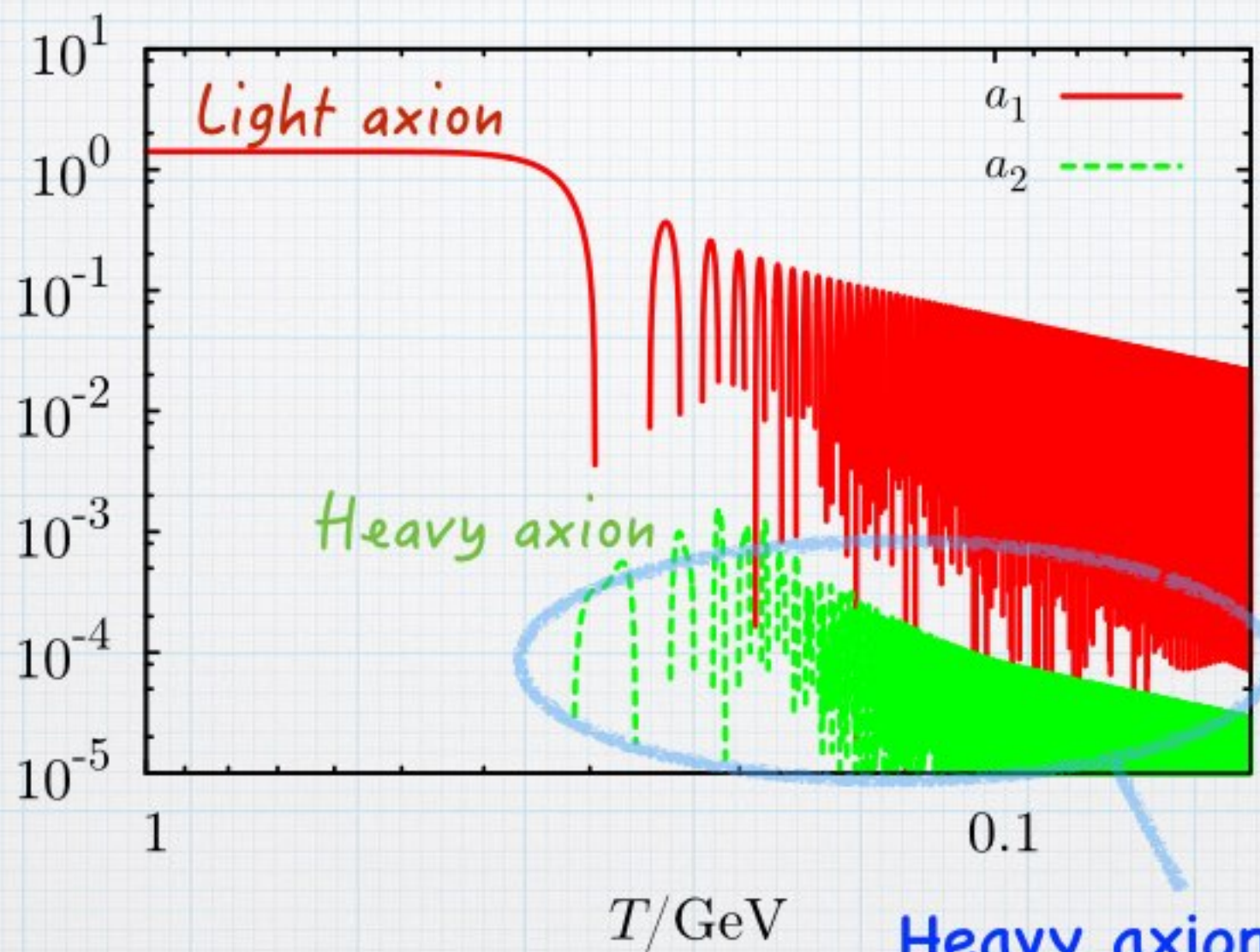
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QCD axion + hidden axion



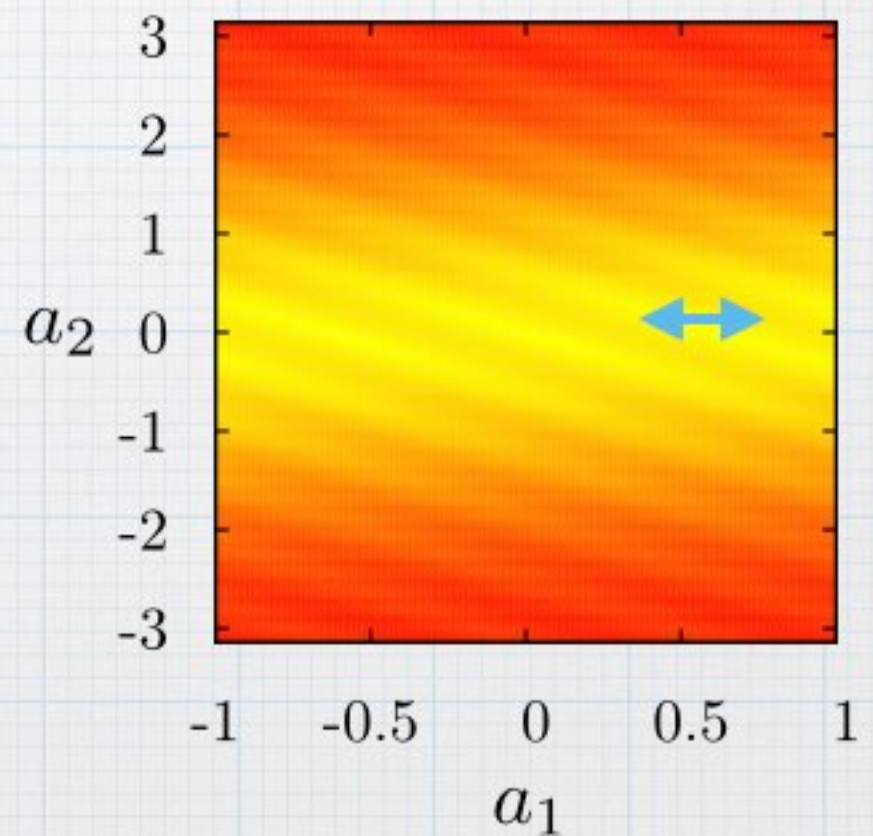
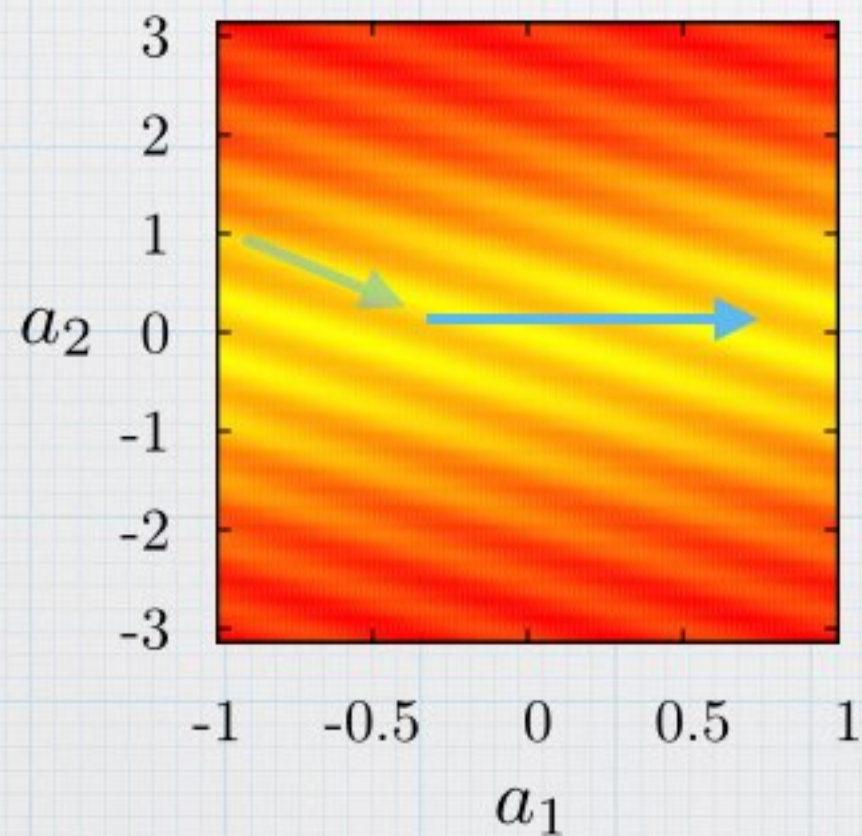
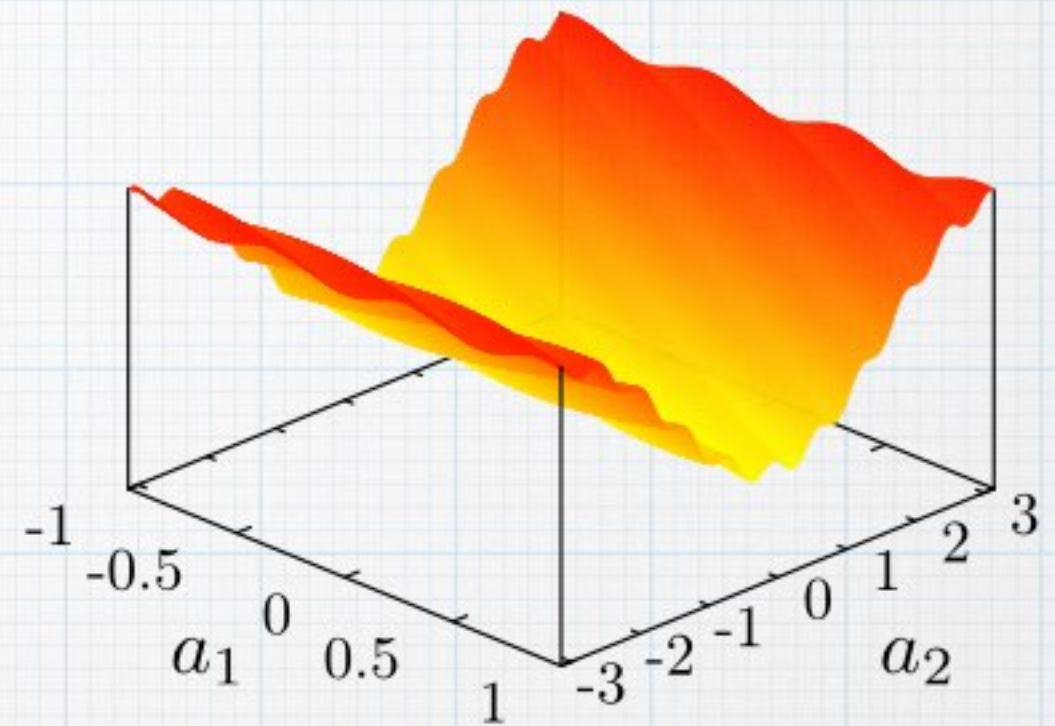
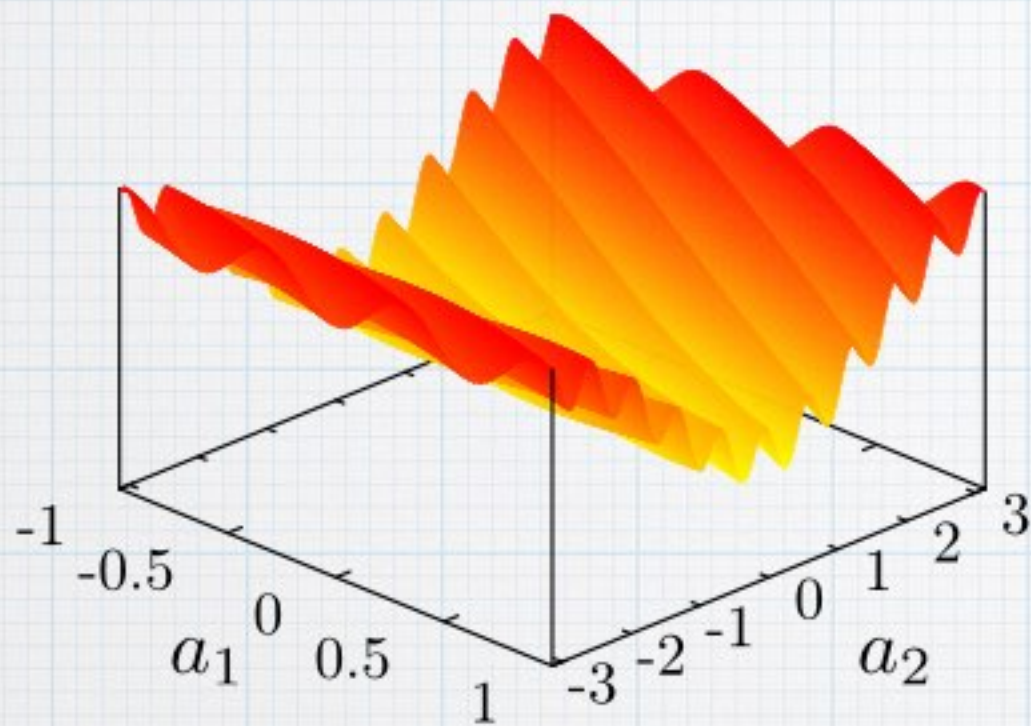
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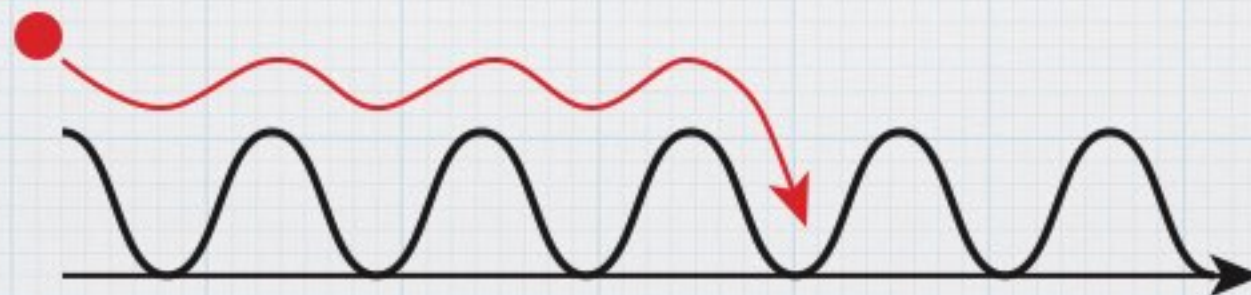
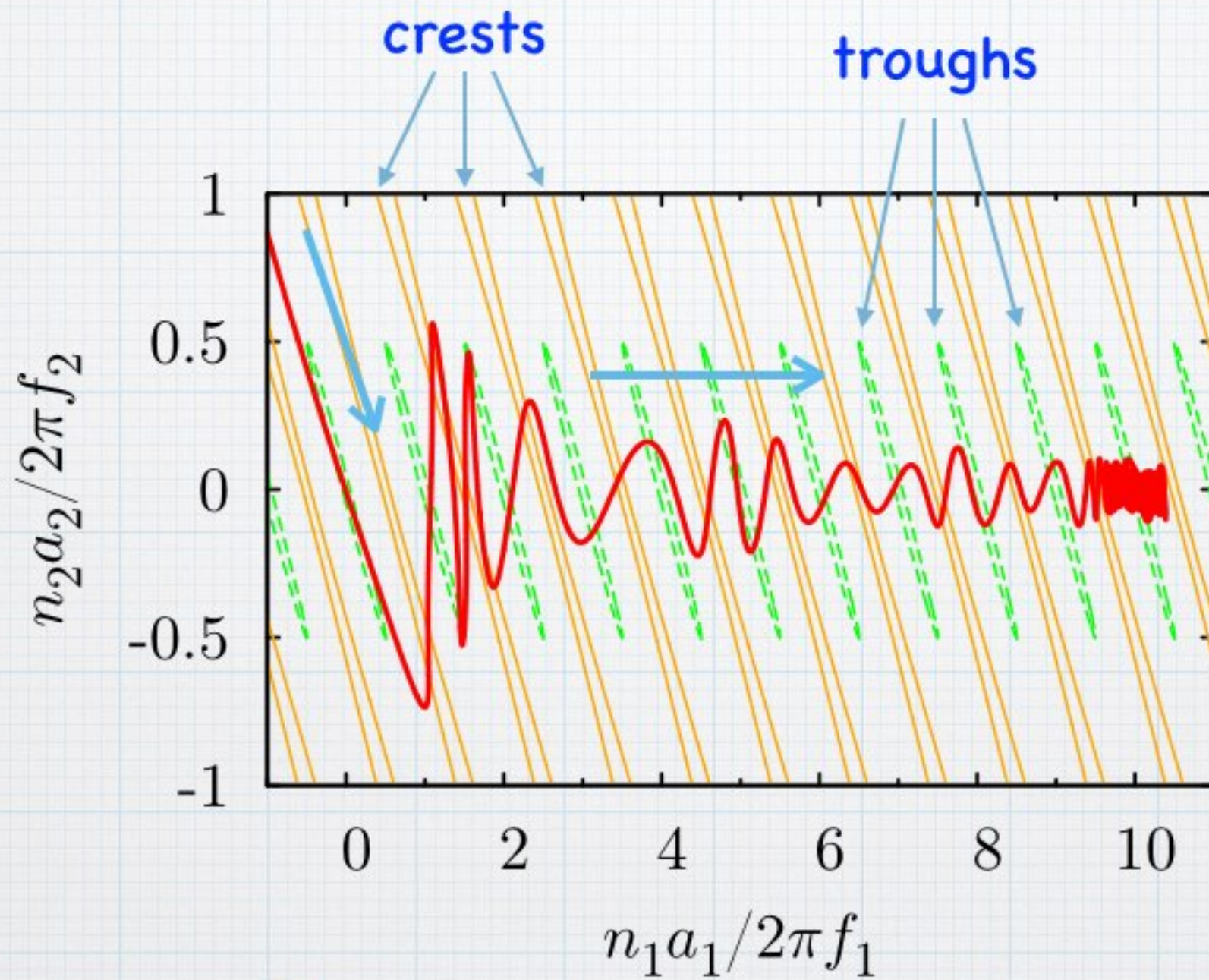


$$\rho_a \sim (m_L/m_H) \rho_a|_{\text{no-resonance}}$$

(ii) Resonant conversion : $H_{1c} \sim H_{osc}$



Axion trajectory



The conditions to climb over the potential barrier

$$(1) \quad \rho_{L,\text{osc}} \sim m_{\text{osc}}^2 f^2 > \Lambda_1^4 \sim m_{H,\text{osc}}^2 F^2$$

effective decay constants: $f = \frac{\sqrt{n_2^2 f_1^2 + n_1^2 f_2^2}}{n_1}$, $F = \frac{f_1 f_2}{\sqrt{n_2^2 f_1^2 + n_1^2 f_2^2}}$

→ kinetic energy > potential barrier

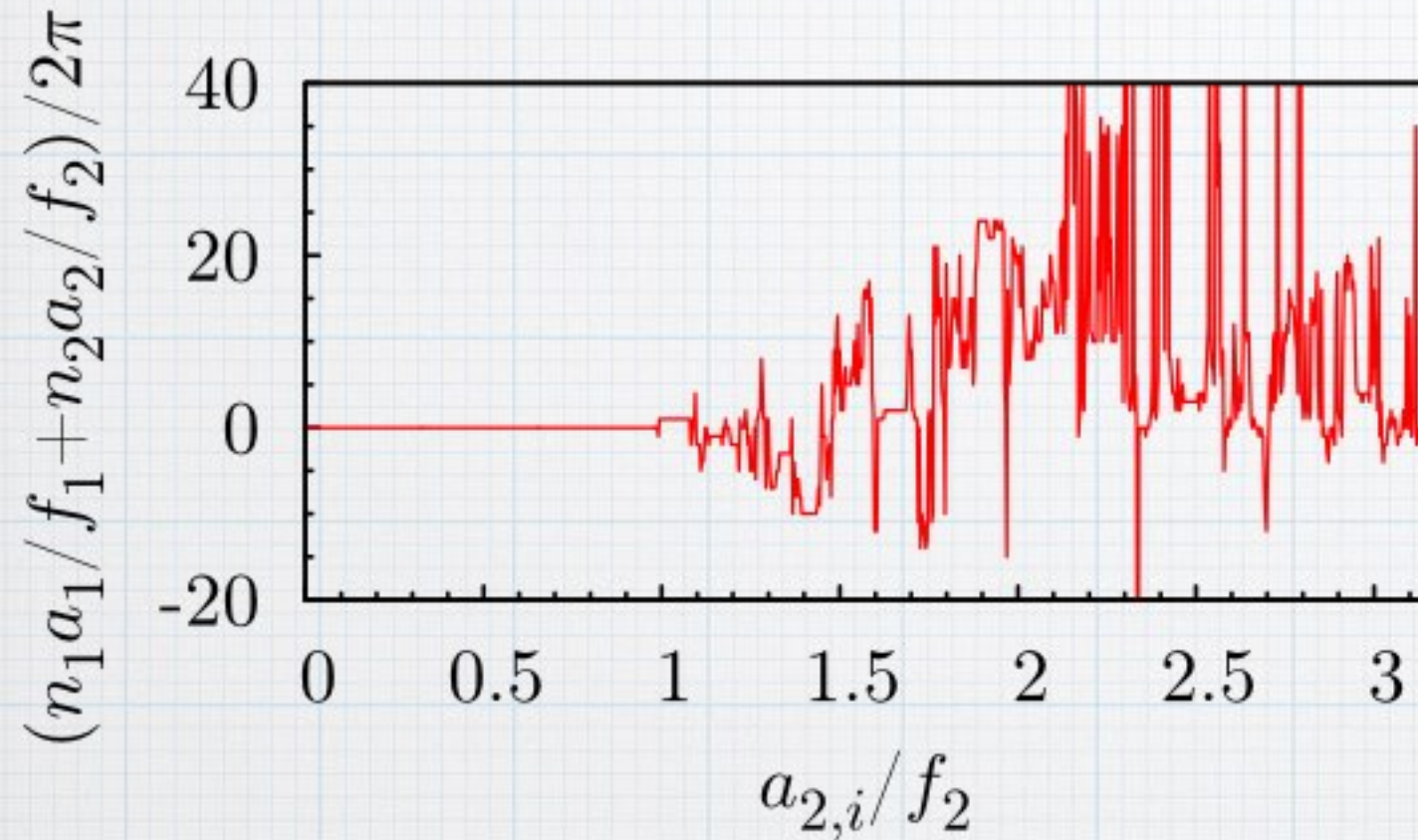
$$(2) \quad H_{1c} \sim (0.1 - 1) H_{\text{osc}}$$

→ Level crossing occurs soon after the onset of axion oscillation

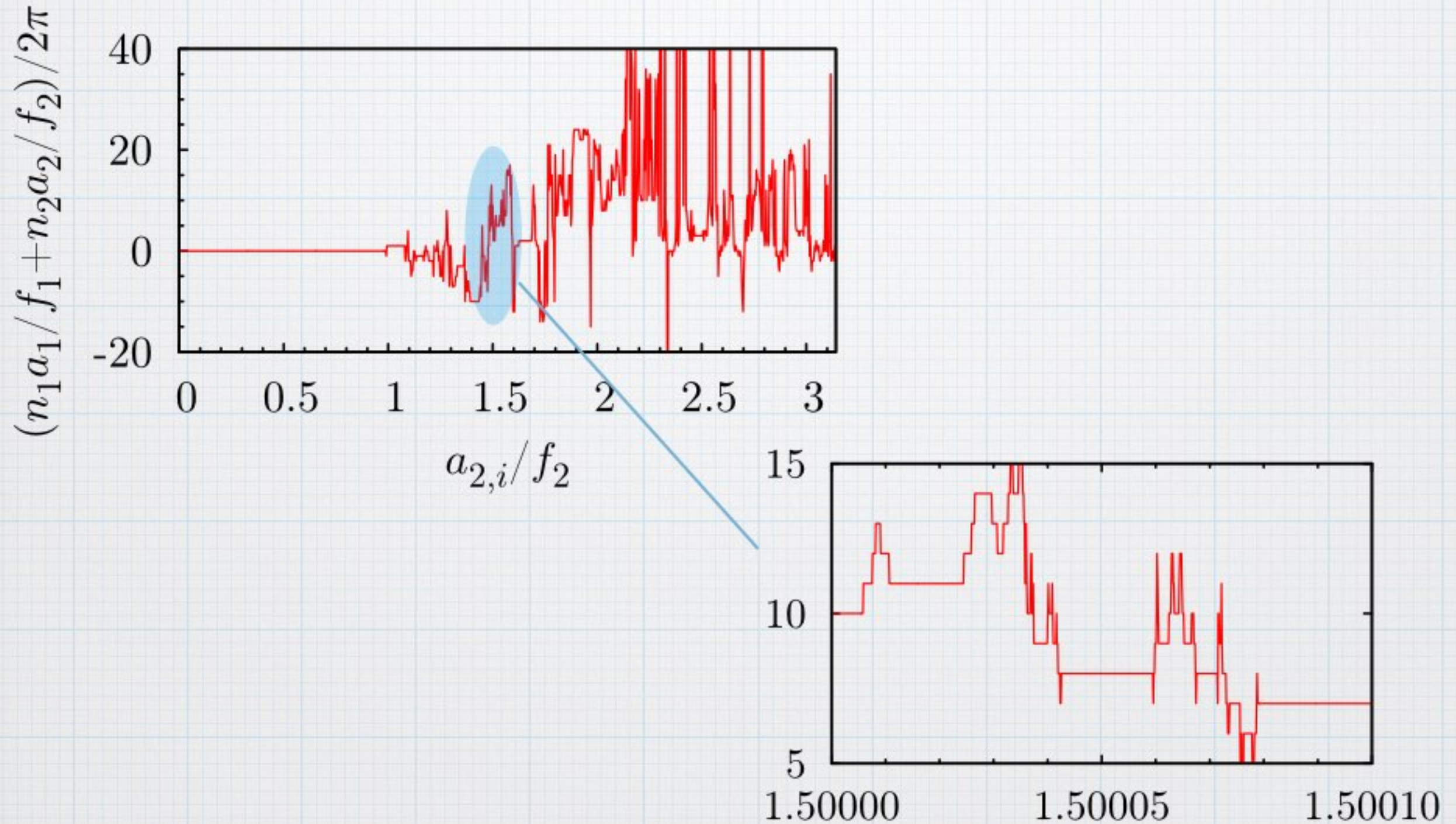
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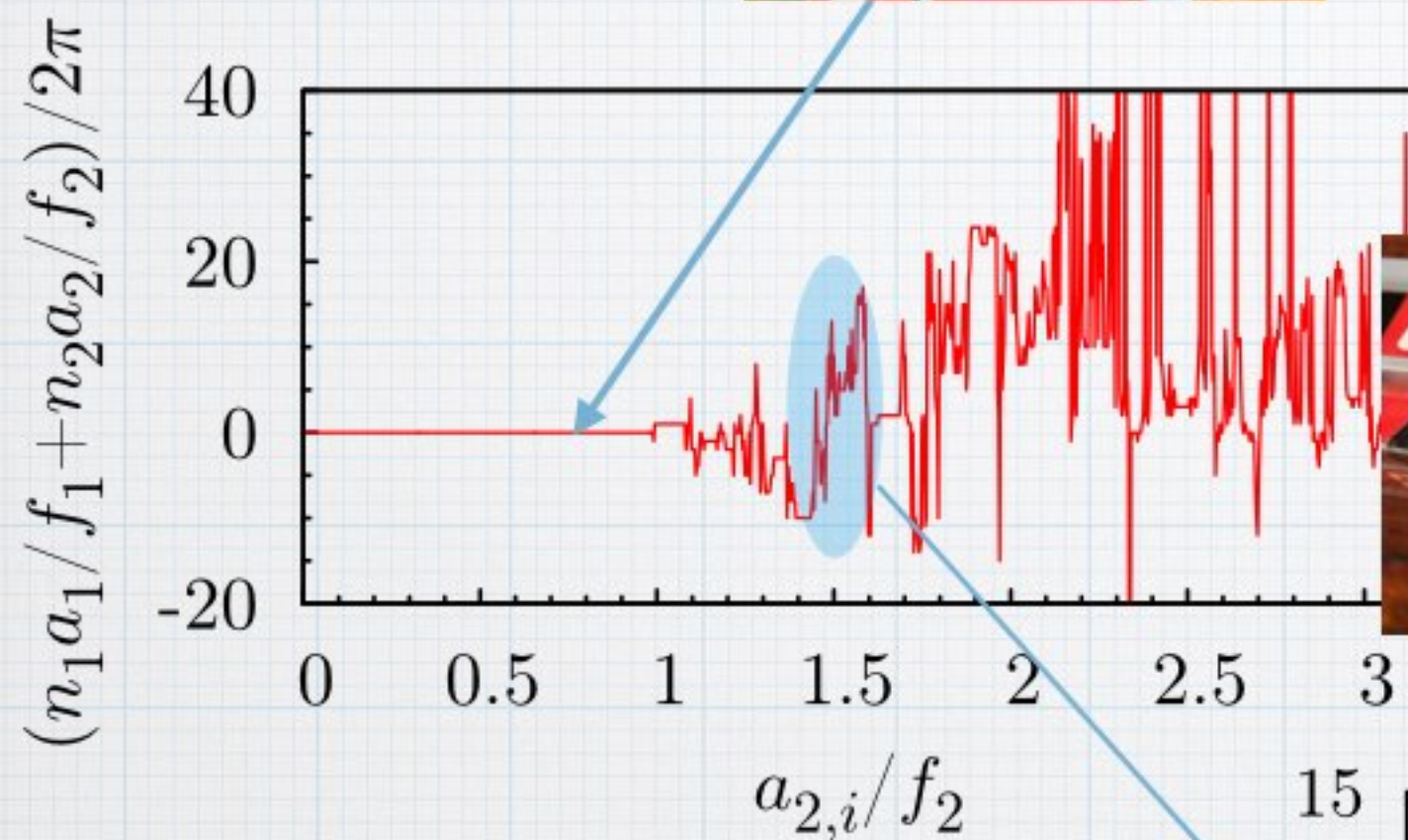
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Axion "ROULETTE"



H^{-1}



Domain wall



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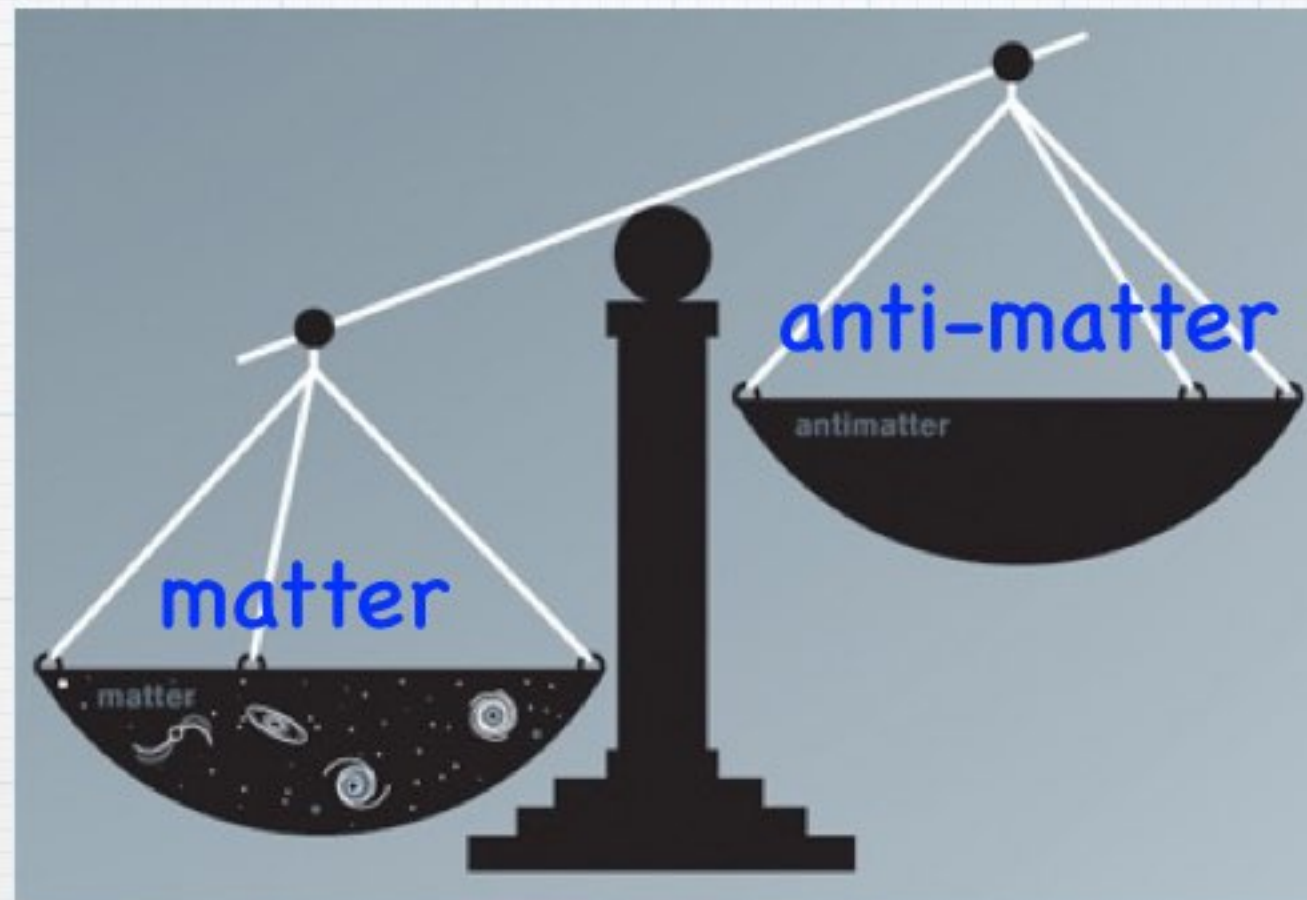


II

Axion domain wall Baryogenesis

R. Daido, NK, F. Takahashi, [arXiv:1504.07917](https://arxiv.org/abs/1504.07917)

Baryon asymmetry



$$\frac{n_B}{s} = 8.4 \times 10^{-11}$$

Spontaneous Baryogenesis

Thermal bath



nonzero chemical potential : $\mu \neq 0$

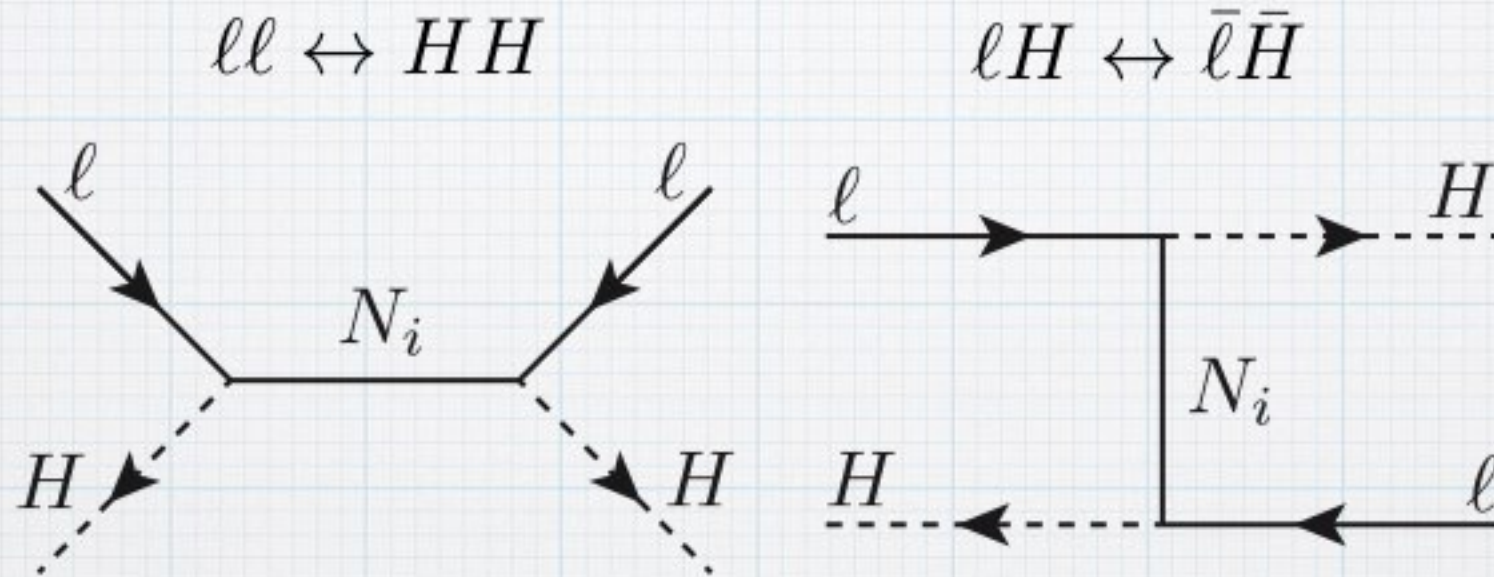
$$n_{\ell}^{\text{eq}} - n_{\bar{\ell}}^{\text{eq}} \simeq 2\mu T^2$$

baryon asymmetry is generated
even in thermal equilibrium!

Lepton number violating processes

Seesaw model

(Standard Model + right-handed neutrinos)



interaction rate

$$\Gamma_{\text{int}} \sim \frac{T^3}{\pi^3} \frac{\sum m_i^2}{v_{\text{EW}}^4}$$

decoupling temperature

$$T_{\text{dec}} \sim 3 \times 10^{13} \text{ GeV}$$

Axion potential

$$V = m^2 f^2 \left(1 - \cos \left(\frac{a}{f} \right) \right)$$



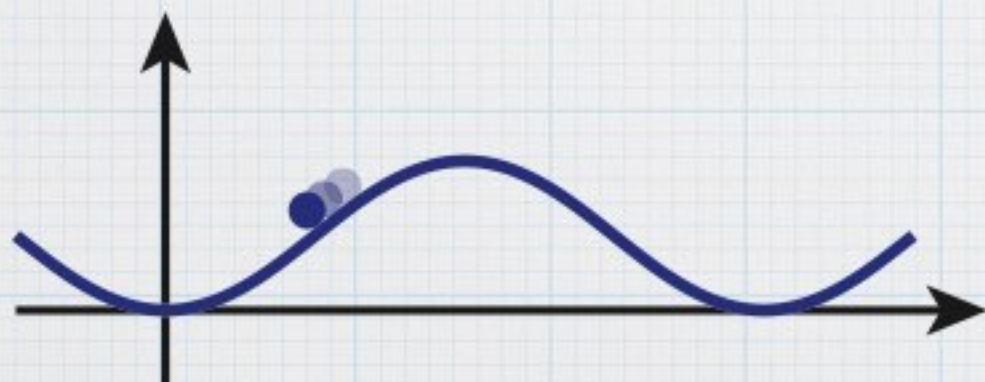
derivative coupling with lepton currents

$$\mathcal{L} \ni \frac{\partial_\mu a}{f} \sum_{i=e,\mu,\tau} \bar{L}_i \gamma^\mu L_i \equiv \frac{\partial_\mu a}{f} j_L^\mu = \frac{\dot{a}}{f} j_L^0 + \dots$$

or anomalous coupling : $\mathcal{L} \ni \frac{g^2}{32\pi^2} \frac{a}{f} F \tilde{F}$

effective chemical potential: $\mu_{\text{eff}} = \frac{\dot{a}}{f}$

At the onset of axion oscillation $\rightarrow \mu_{\text{eff}} \neq 0$

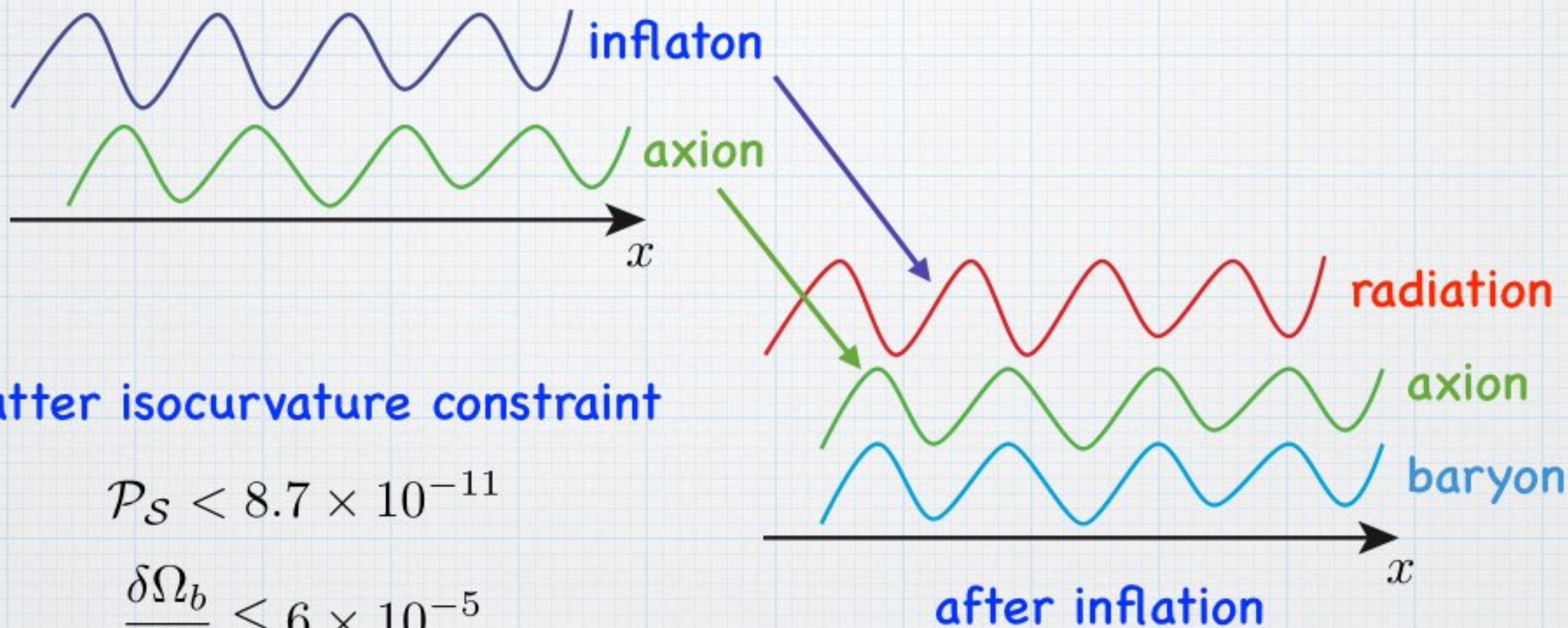


spontaneous baryogenesis works

Kusenko, Schmitz, Yanagida (2014)

Baryon isocurvature problem

Spatial fluctuation



matter isocurvature constraint

$$\mathcal{P}_S < 8.7 \times 10^{-11}$$

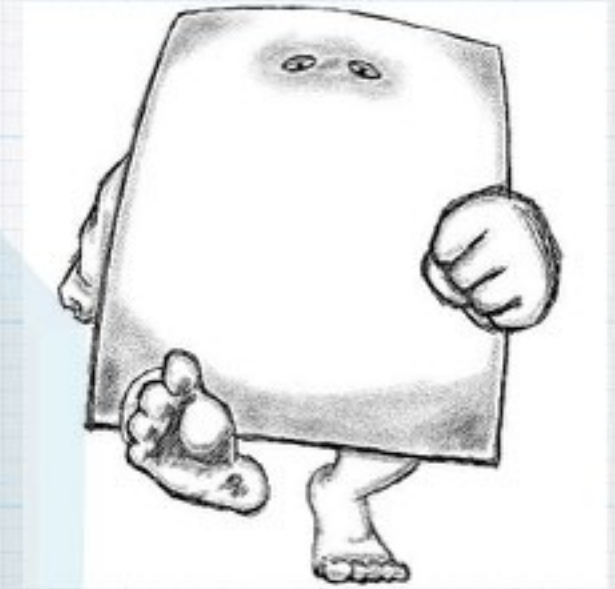
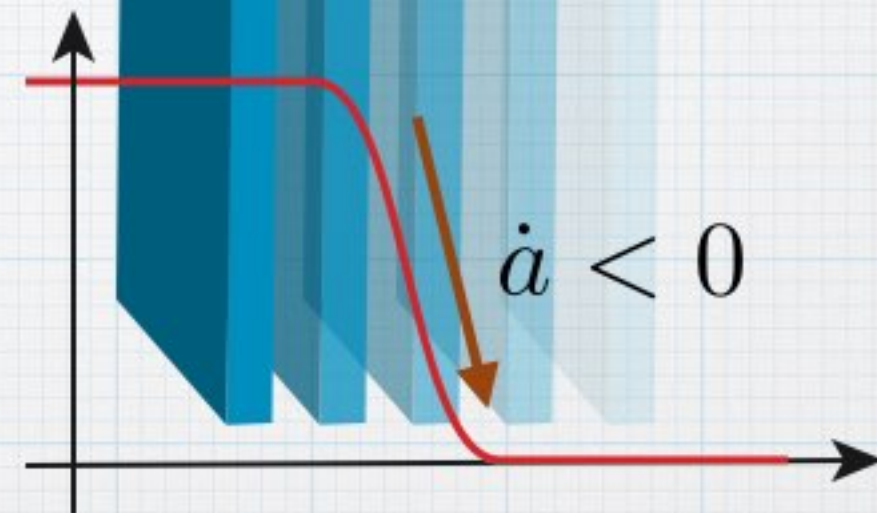
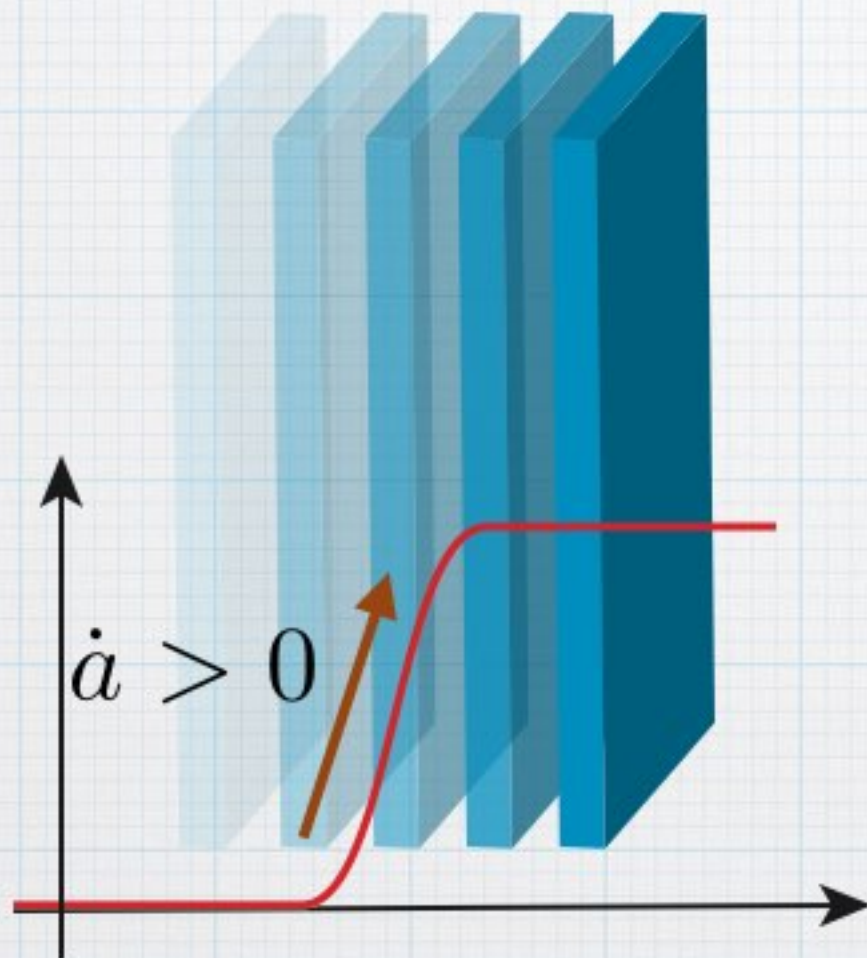
$$\frac{\delta\Omega_b}{\Omega_b} \lesssim 6 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$H_{\text{inf}} \lesssim 6 \times 10^{11} \text{ GeV} \left(\frac{f}{10^{15} \text{ GeV}} \right)$$

Baryogenesis by domain walls

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moving domain walls
in the scaling regime

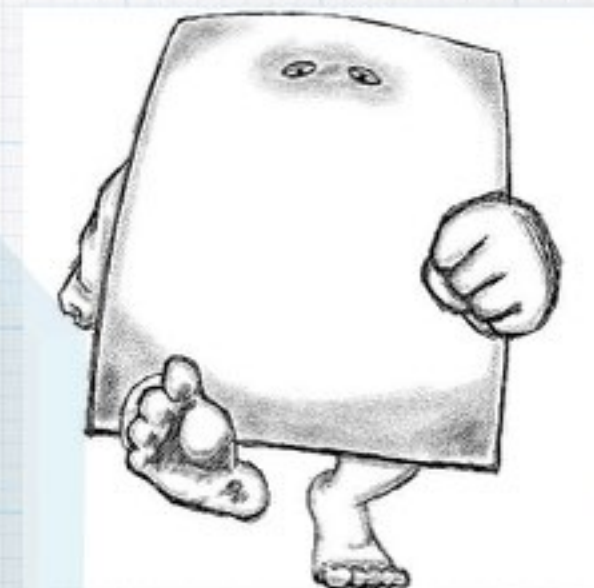
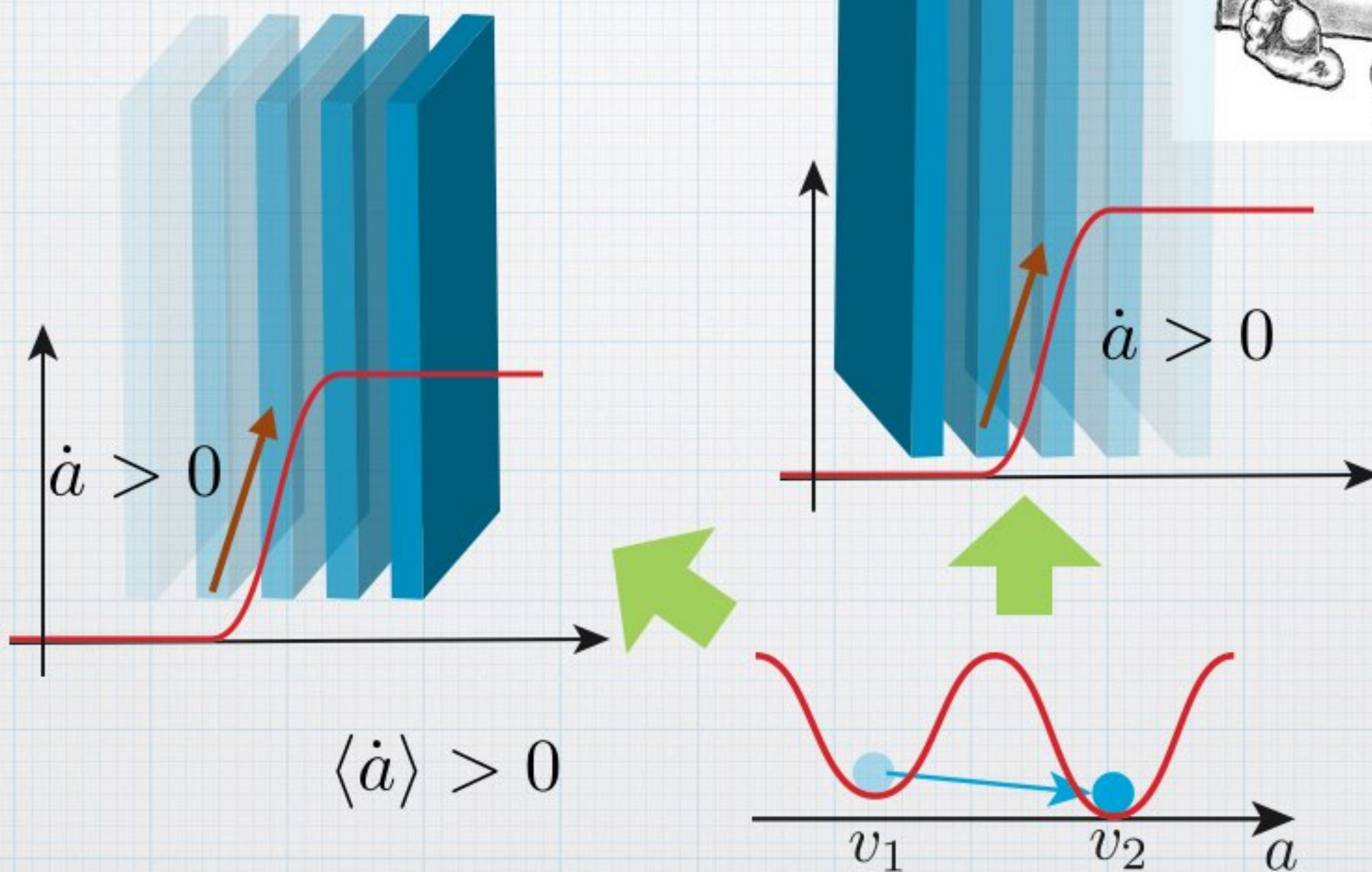


$\langle \dot{a} \rangle = 0$ — no net baryon number

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moving domain walls
at annihilation



Scaling regime of DW evolution

→ baryon isocurvature perturbation is
suppressed on large scales

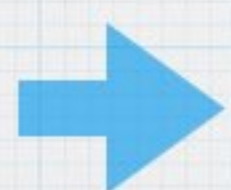
Numerical calculation

Boltzmann equation : $\dot{n}_L + 3Hn_L = -\Gamma_{\text{int}}(n_L - n_L^{\text{eq}})$

$$n_L = n_\ell - n_{\bar{\ell}}$$

Domain wall solution :

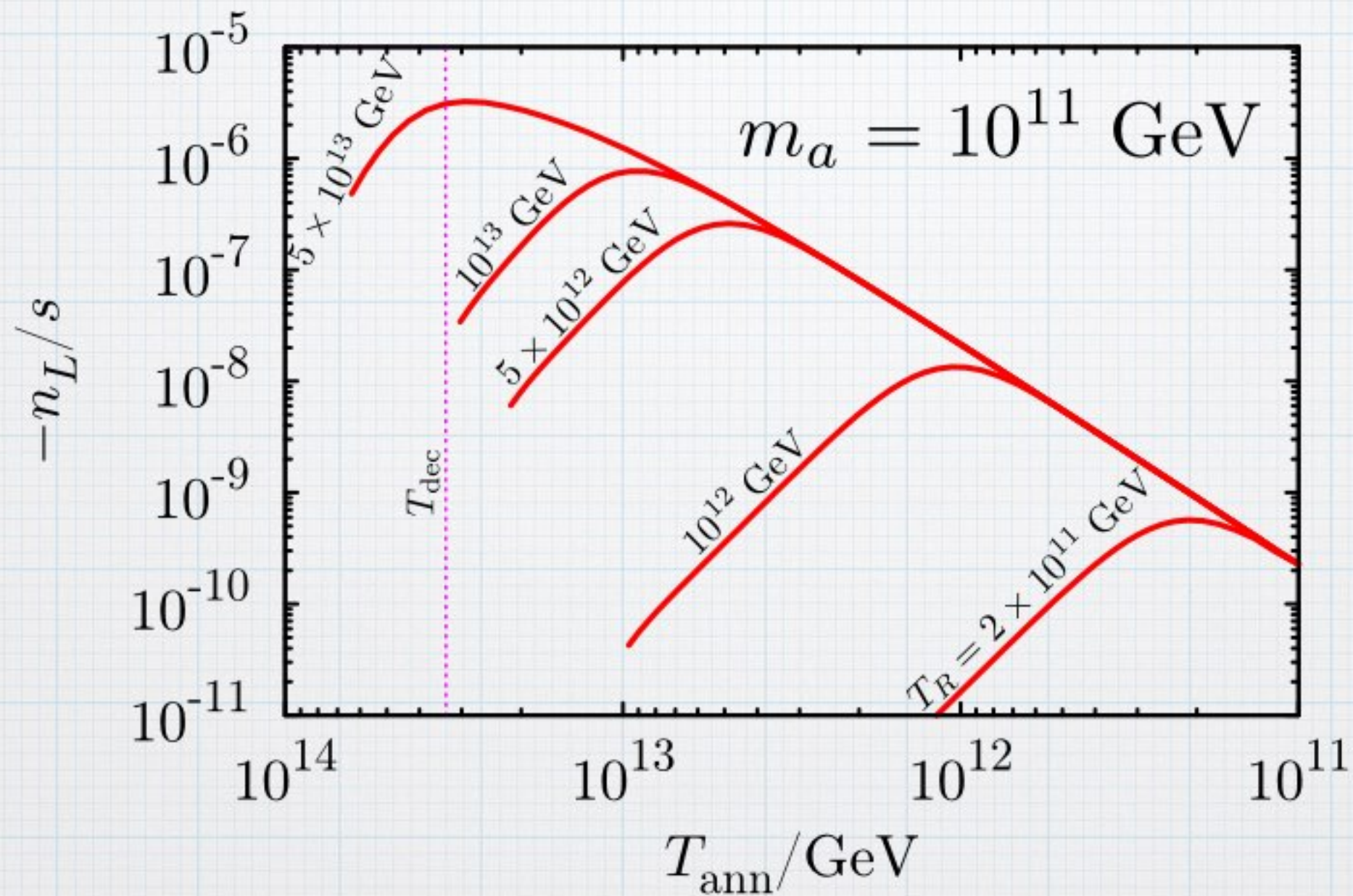
$$a_{\text{dw}}(t, \vec{x}) = 4f \tan^{-1} \exp[m\gamma(x - vt)] \quad \text{with} \quad \gamma = 1/\sqrt{1 - v^2}$$


$$\mu_{\text{eff}} = \frac{\dot{a}}{f} = -\frac{2m\gamma v}{\cosh[m\gamma v(t - t_{\text{dw}})]}$$

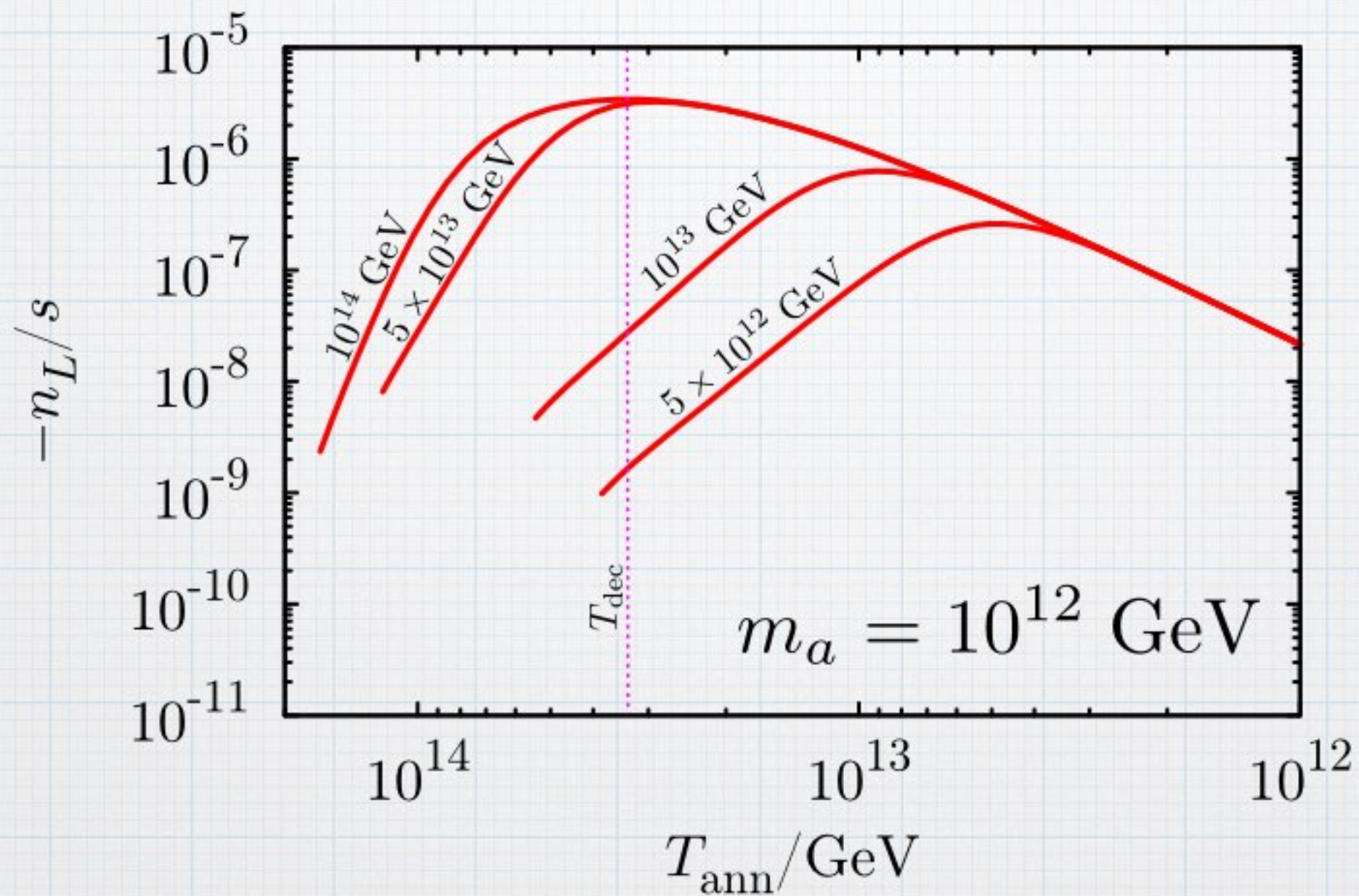
$(x = 0 \text{ at } t = t_{\text{dw}})$

$$V = m^2 f^2 \left(1 - \cos \left(\frac{a}{f} \right) \right)$$

Numerical results



Numerical results



Axion decay

Long lifetime & axion domination

→ Baryon number is diluted after the axion decay

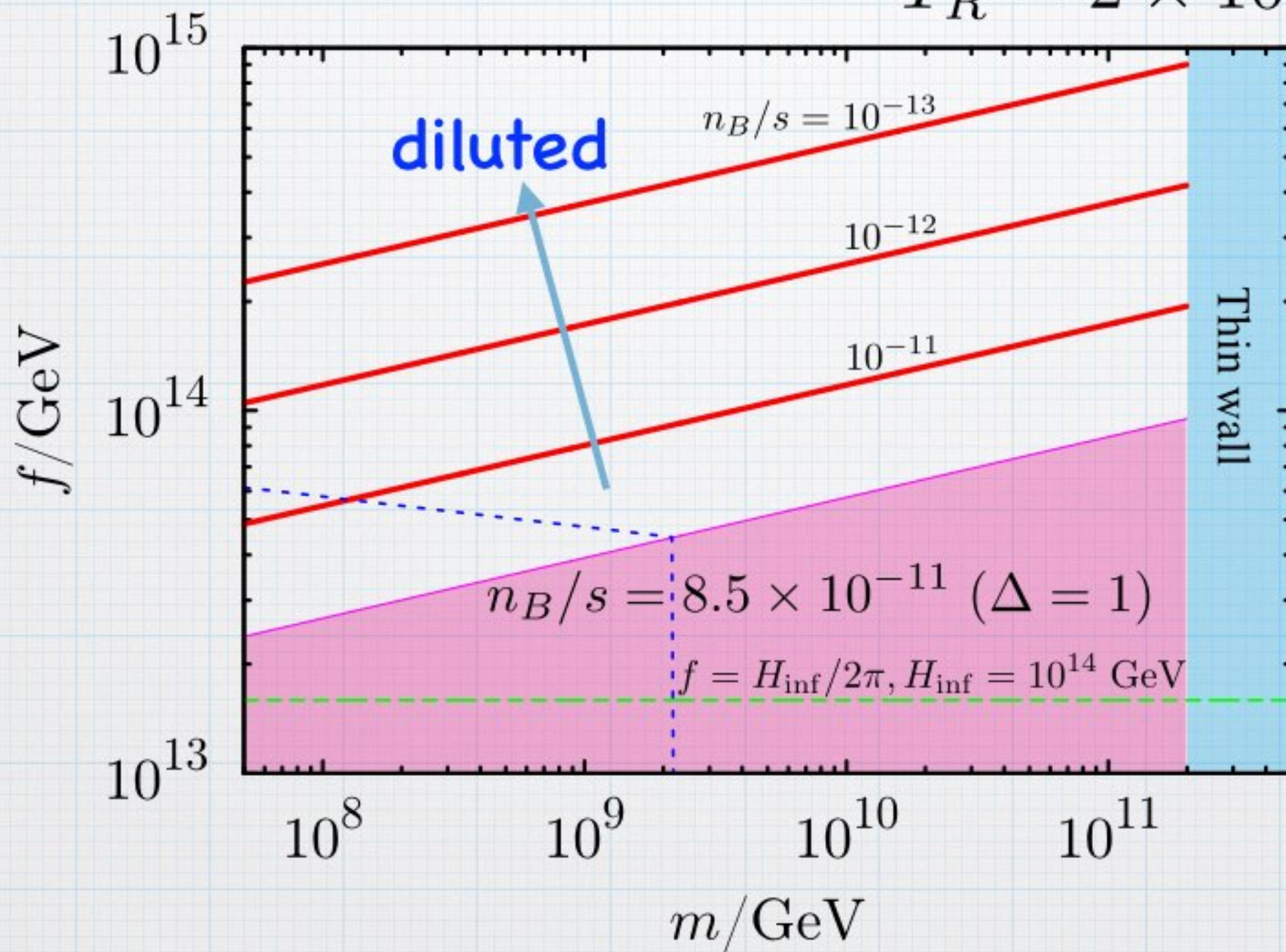
Decay rate :
$$\Gamma_a \simeq \left(\frac{3\alpha_2^2}{256\pi^3} + \frac{\alpha'^2}{1024\pi^3} \right) \frac{N_f^2 m^3}{f^2}$$

Decay temperature :

$$T_a \simeq 3 \times 10^7 \text{ GeV} \left(\frac{m}{10^{11} \text{ GeV}} \right)^{3/2} \left(\frac{10^{15} \text{ GeV}}{f} \right)$$

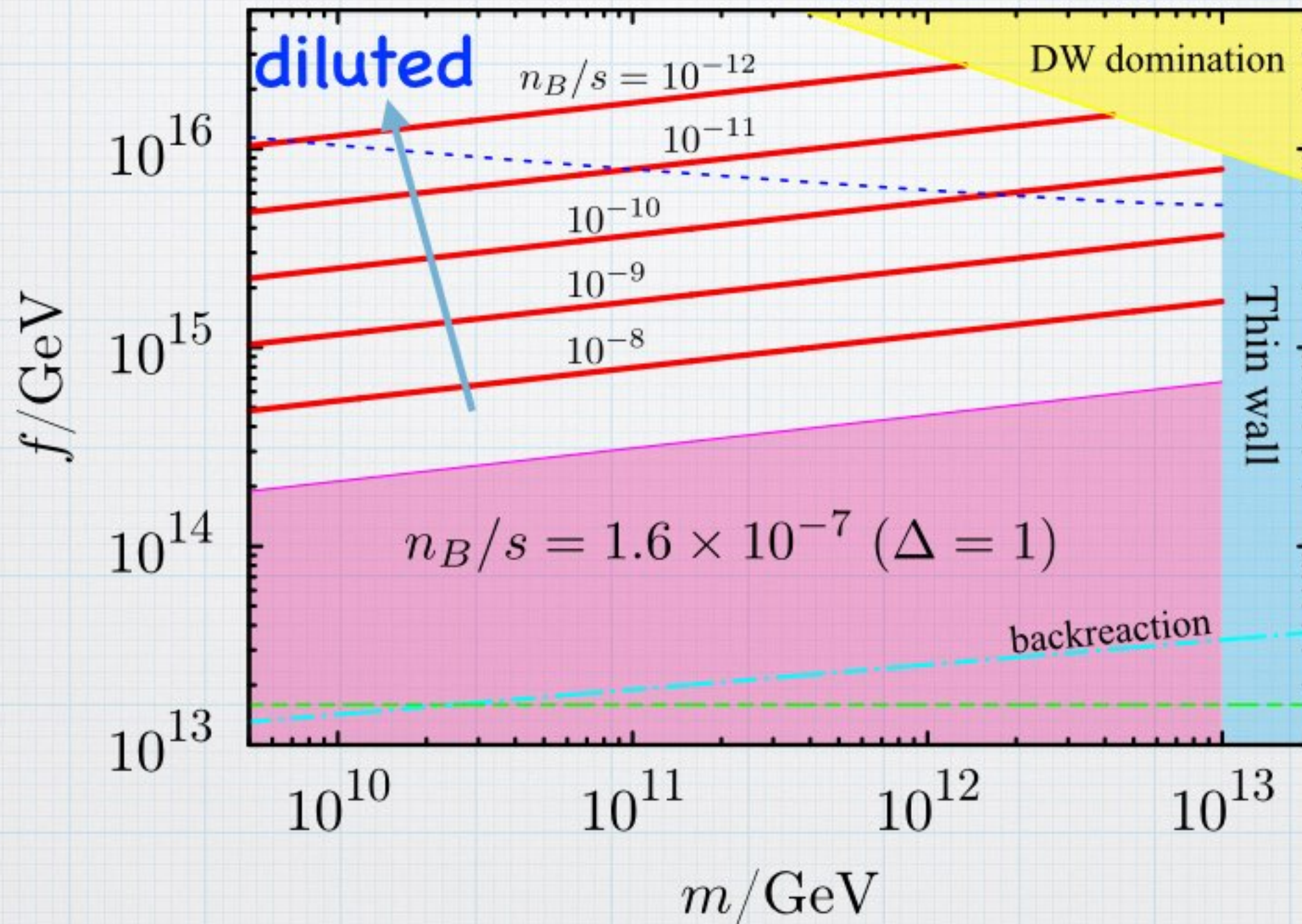
Numerical results

$$T_R = 2 \times 10^{11} \text{ GeV}$$



Numerical results

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Conclusions

- Axion can be ubiquitous in nature — “Axiverse”
- Level crossing of axions can induces the “Axion Roulette” -> Axion domain wall formation is a more common phenomenon than previously thought
- A sizable baryon number can be generated at the axion domain wall annihilation