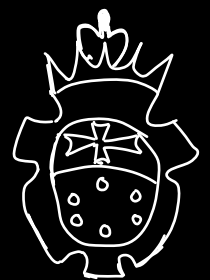
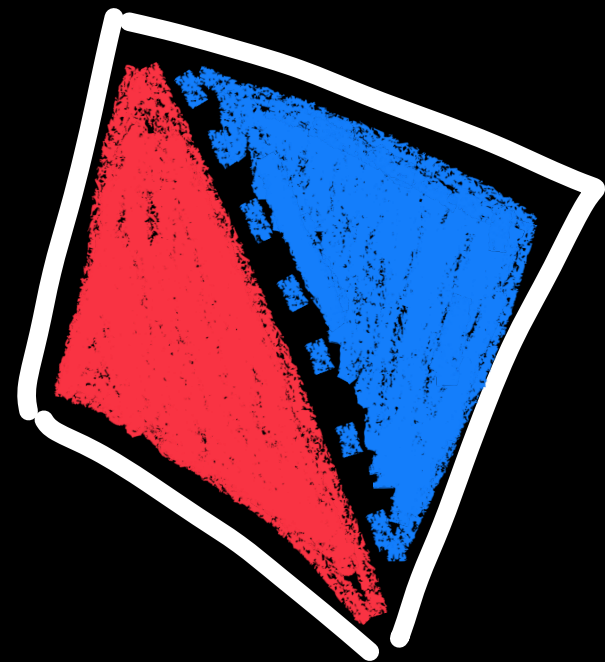
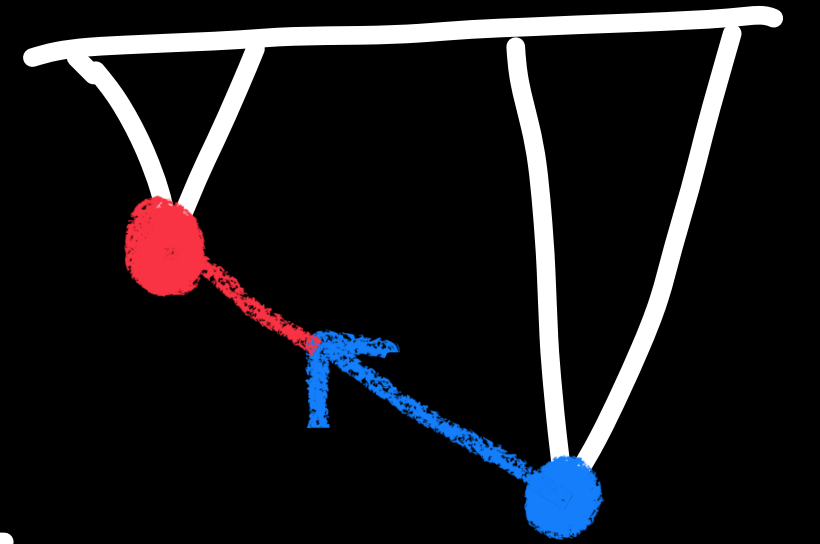
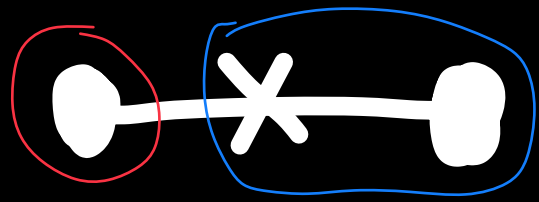


Differential Equations for

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"Kinematic Flow and the Emergence of Time"

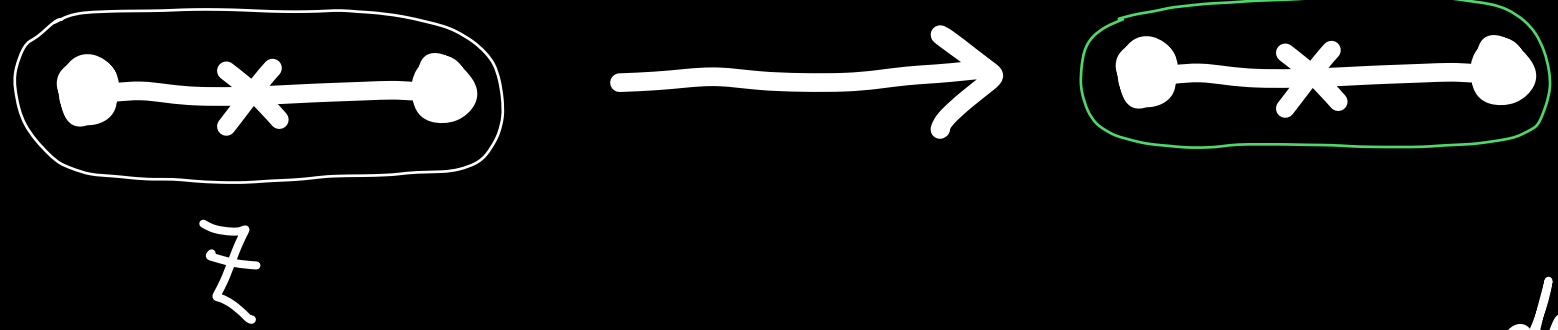
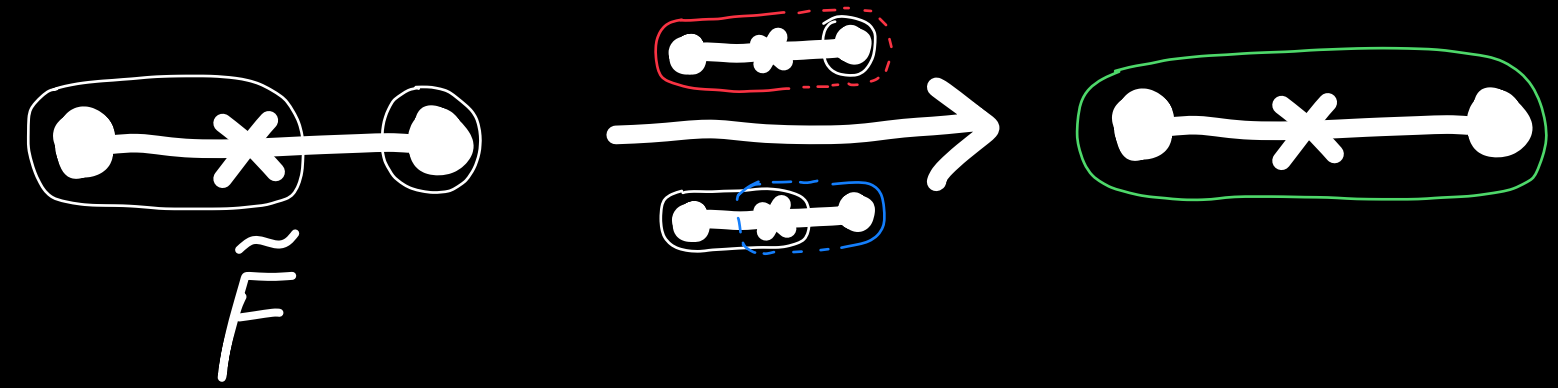
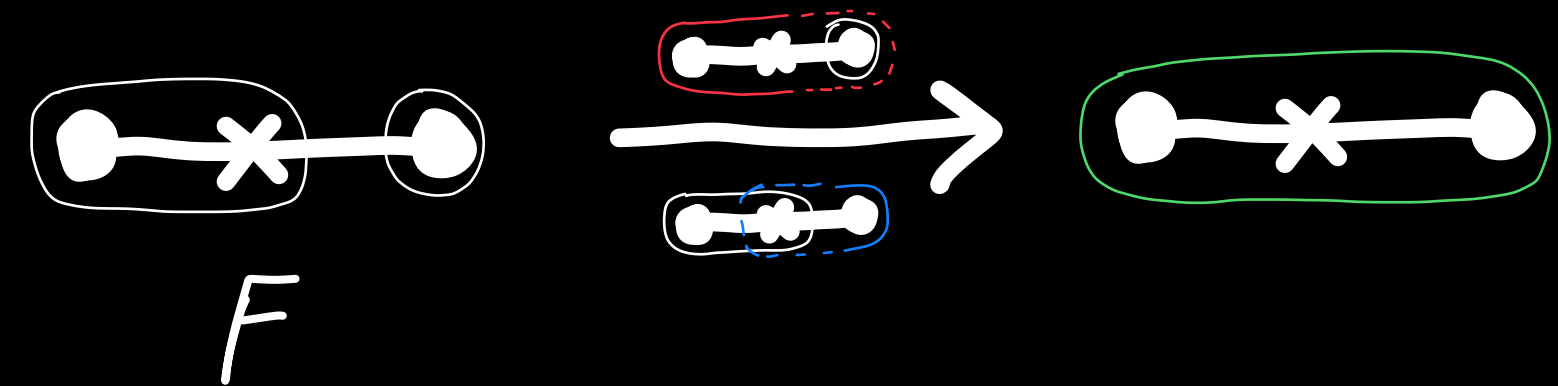
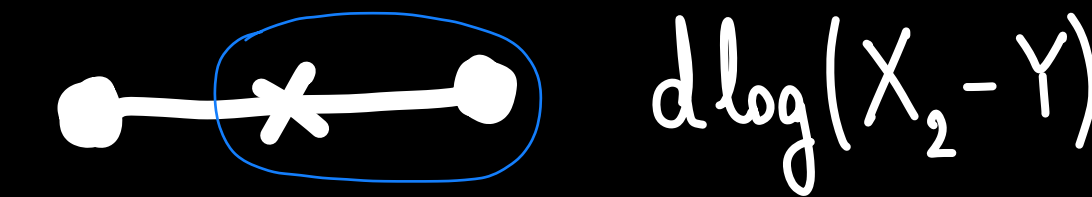
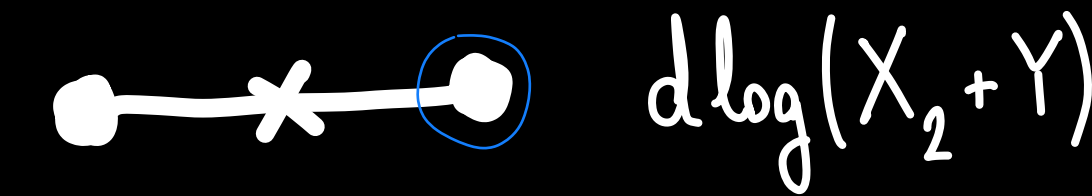
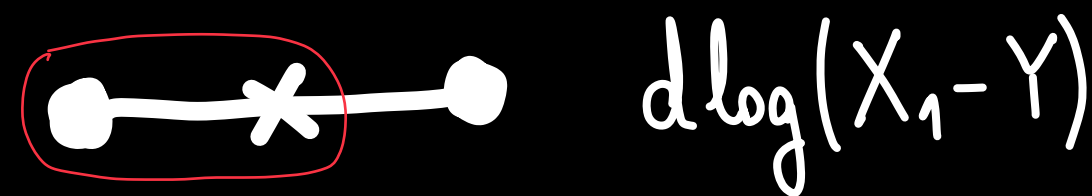
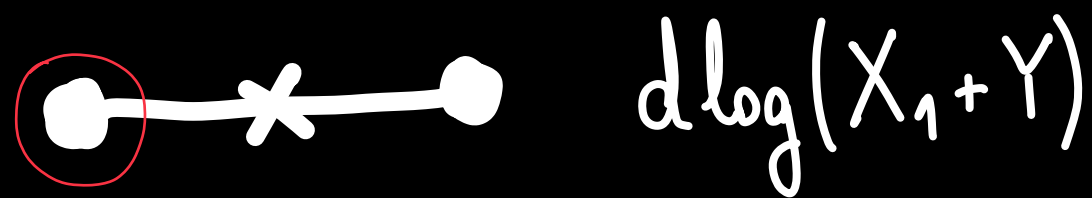
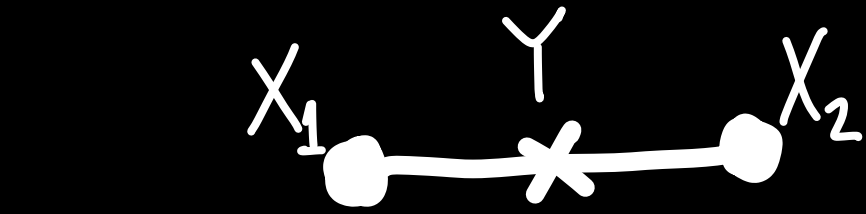
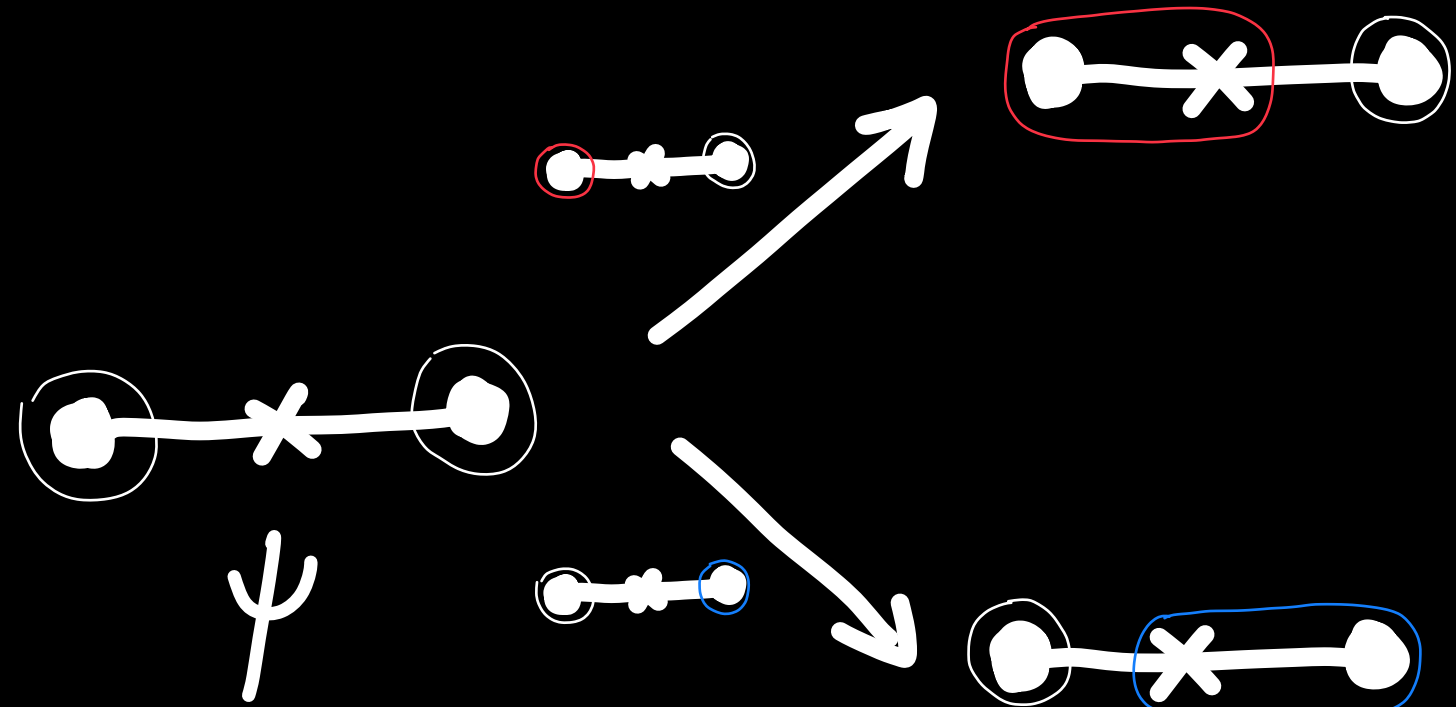
"Differential Equations for Cosmological Correlators"

LOTS OF PEOPLE TO ACKNOWLEDGE  
(see the papers)

+ LOTS OF PREVIOUS IMPORTANT WORK  
(see the references  
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The Main Result  
(of short paper)

# Kinematic Flow...



$$d\psi = \epsilon \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{[red circle around left node and x]} (\psi - F) + \\ \text{[blue circle around right node and x]} (\psi - \tilde{F}) + \\ \text{[red circle around left node and x]} F + \\ \text{[blue circle around right node and x]} \tilde{F} \end{array} \right]$$

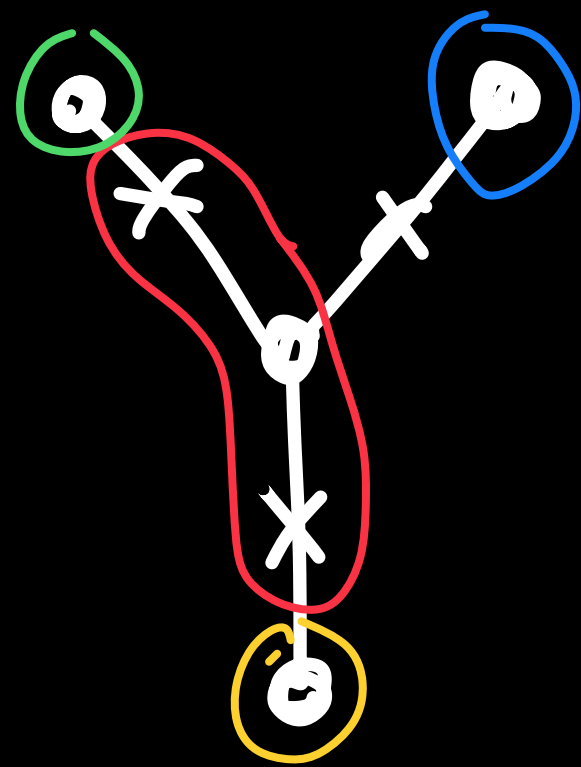
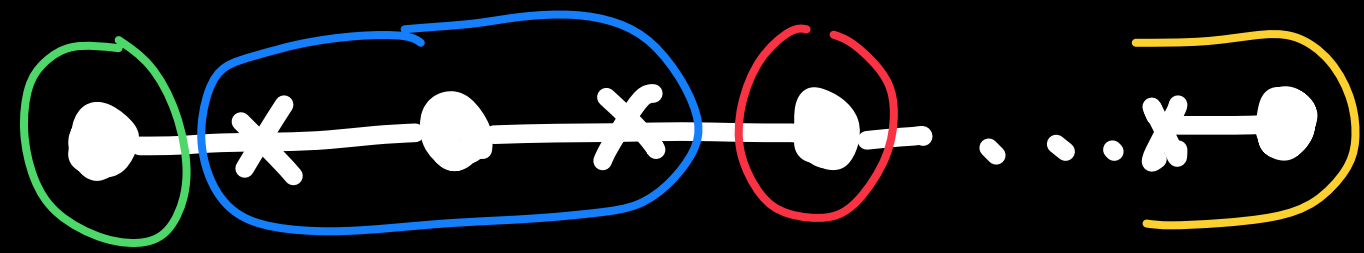
$$dF = \epsilon \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{[red circle around left node and x]} (F - Z) + \\ \text{[green circle around entire structure]} Z \end{array} \right]$$

$$d\tilde{F} = \epsilon \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{[blue circle around right node and x]} (\tilde{F} - Z) + \\ \text{[green circle around entire structure]} Z \end{array} \right]$$

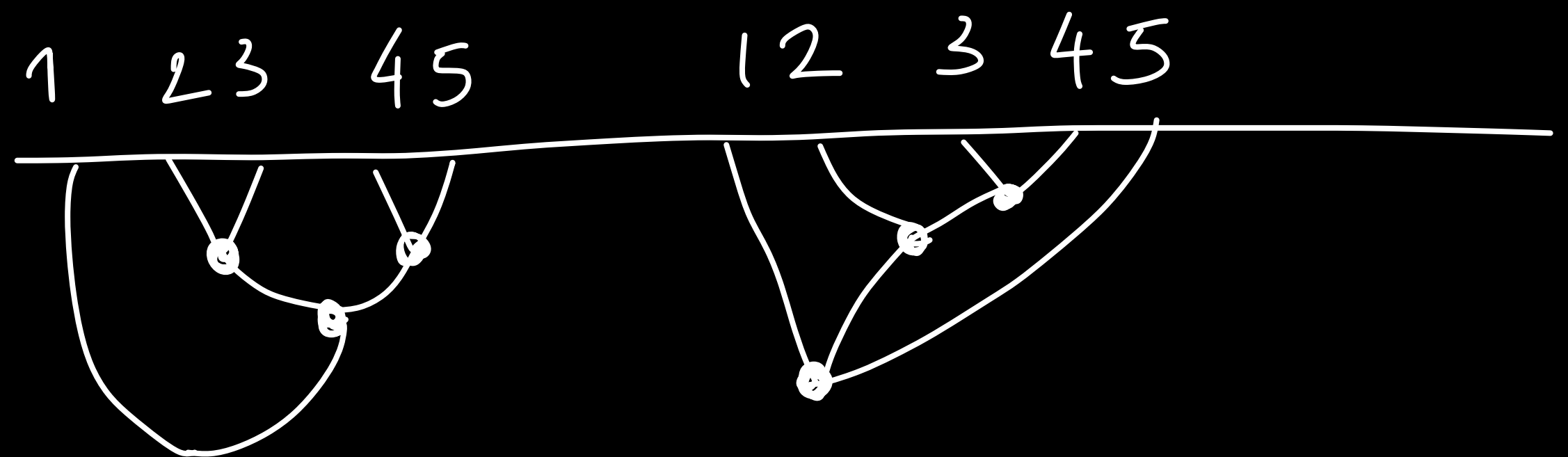
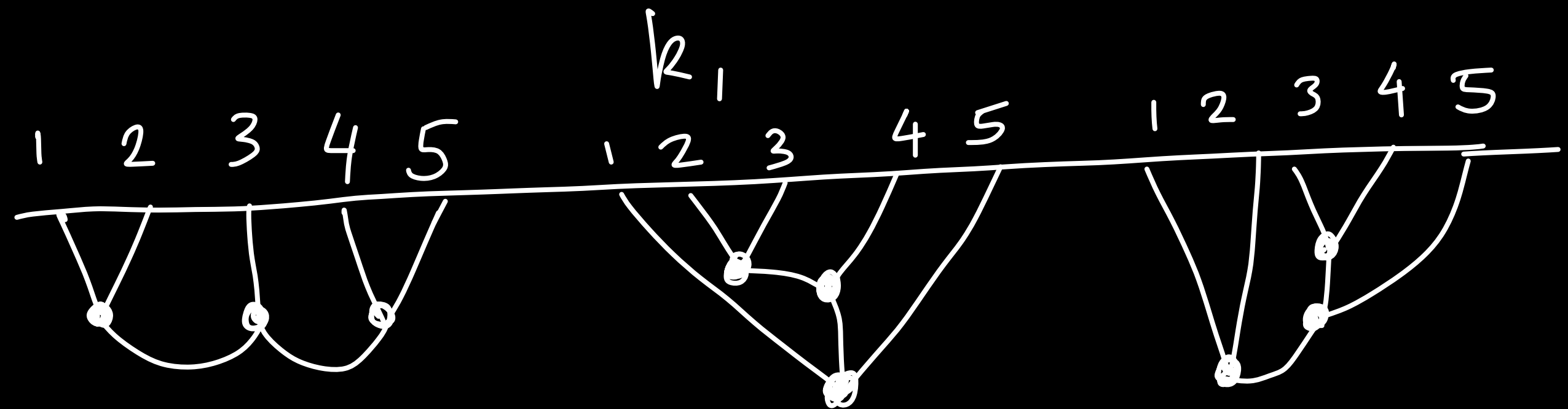
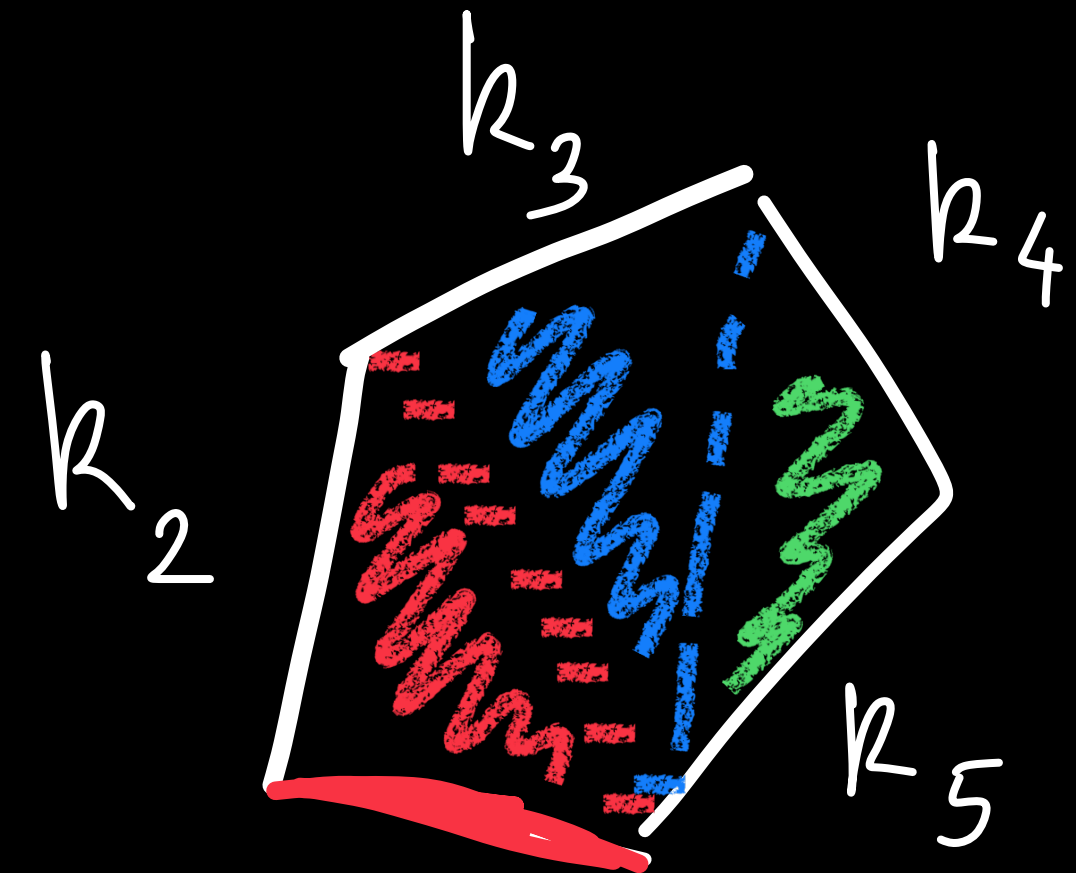
$$dZ = \epsilon \left[ \text{[green circle around entire structure]} 2Z \right]$$

... describes time evolution in power-law cosmology!

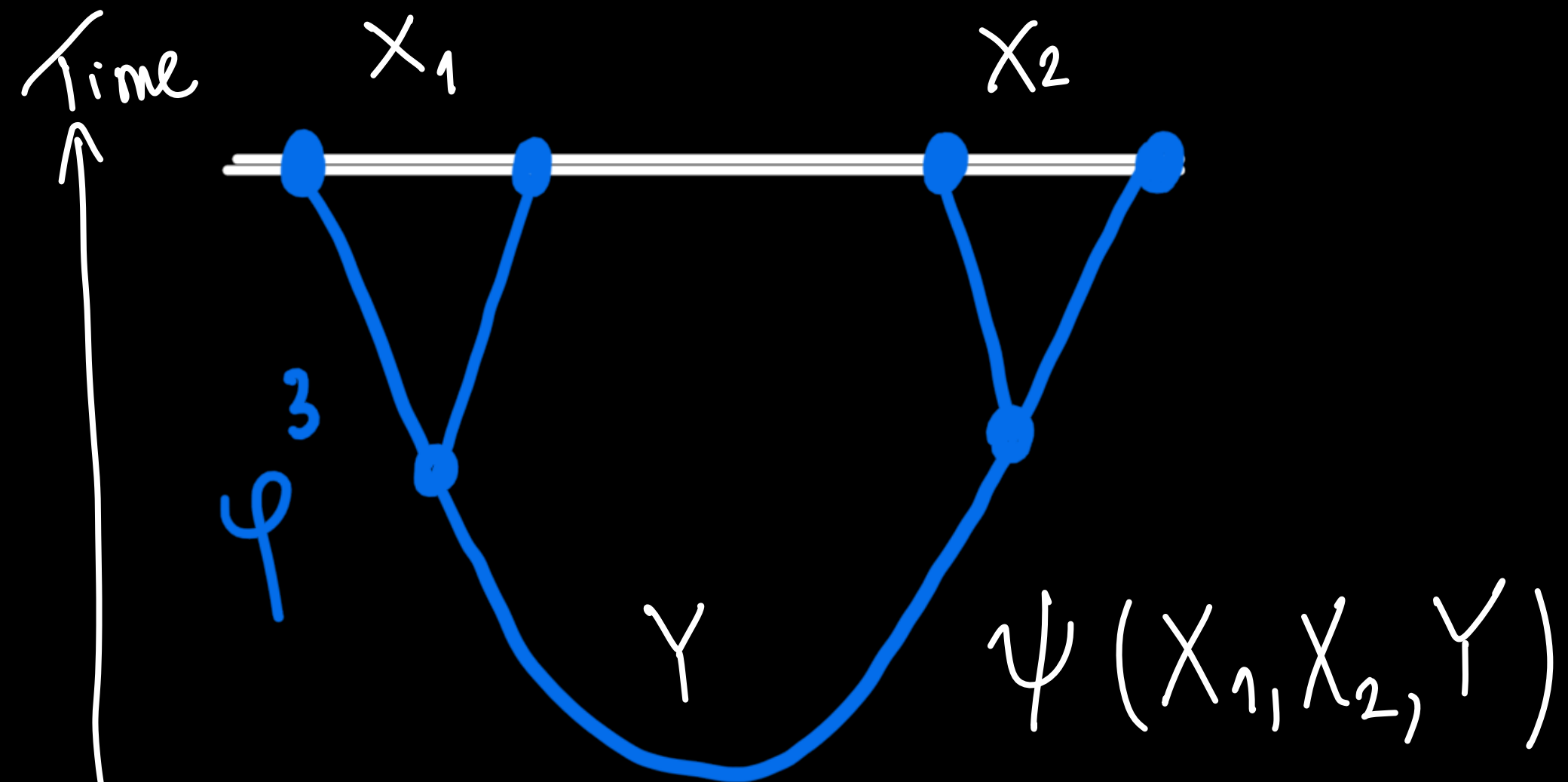
# Kinematic Flow...



$4^{n_v-1}$  functions



The Main Result  
(of long paper)



$$a(\eta) = \eta^{-(1+\epsilon)}$$

Gravity

Time integrals

Differential Equation  
Method

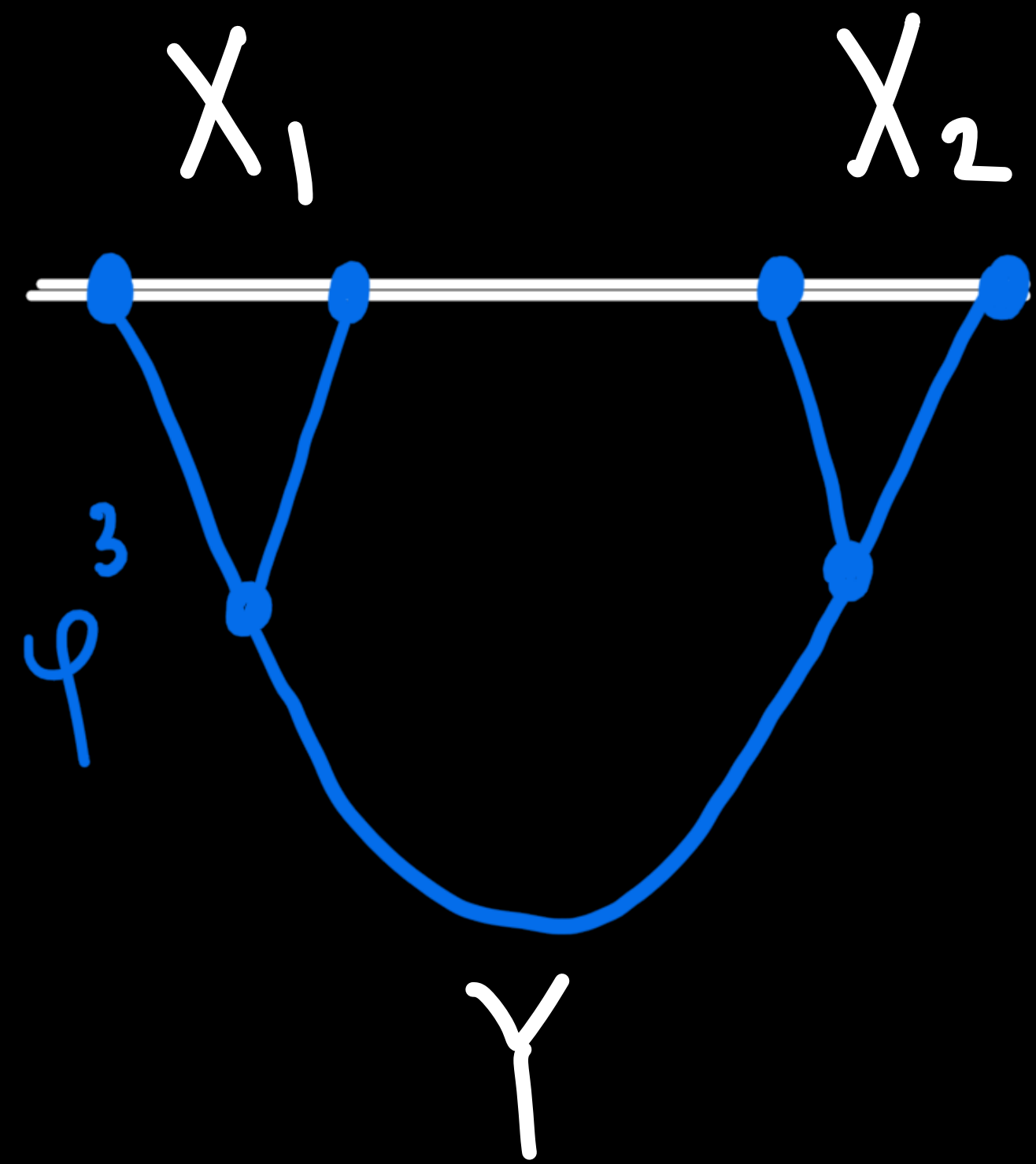
Twisted Cohomology  
Integrals

Master Integrals  
Canonical Forms

QCD

$$d\tilde{\mathcal{I}} = \epsilon A \tilde{\mathcal{I}}$$





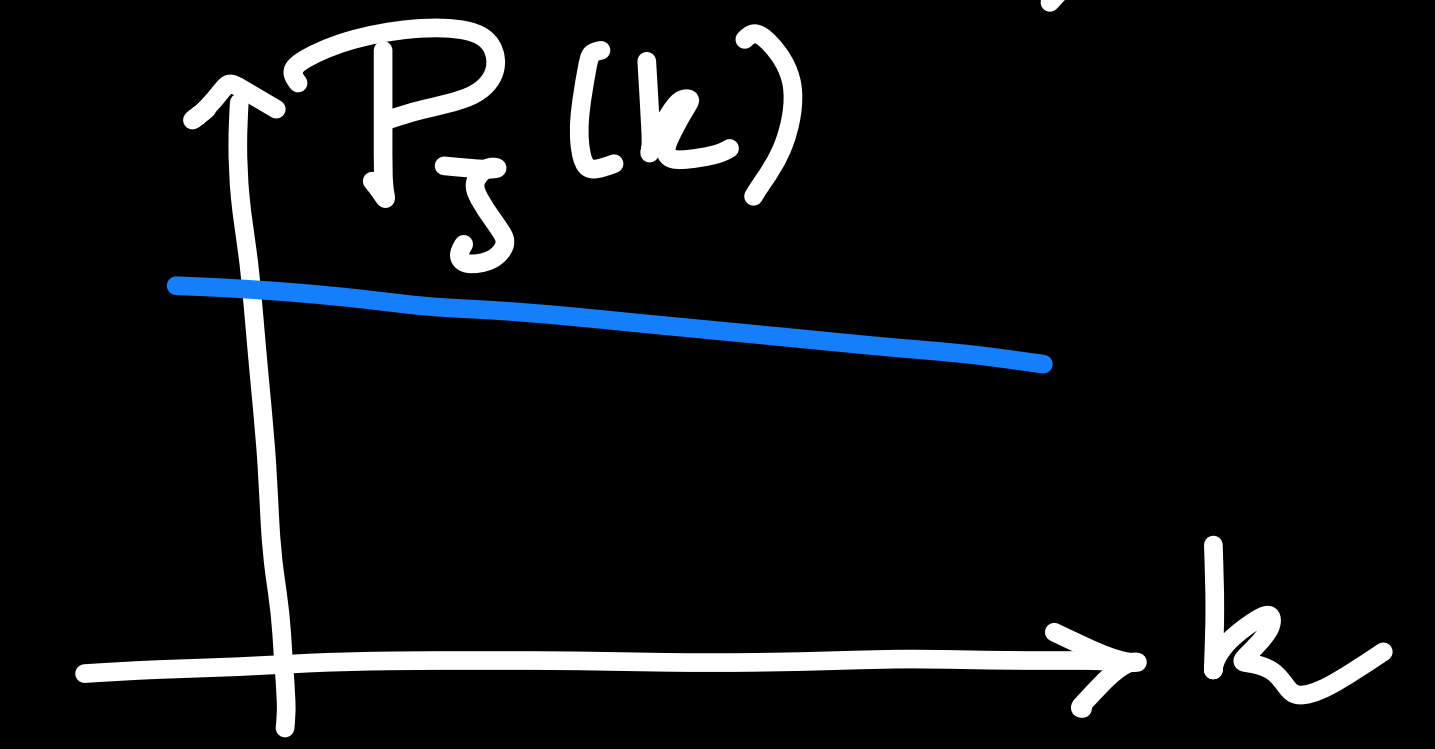
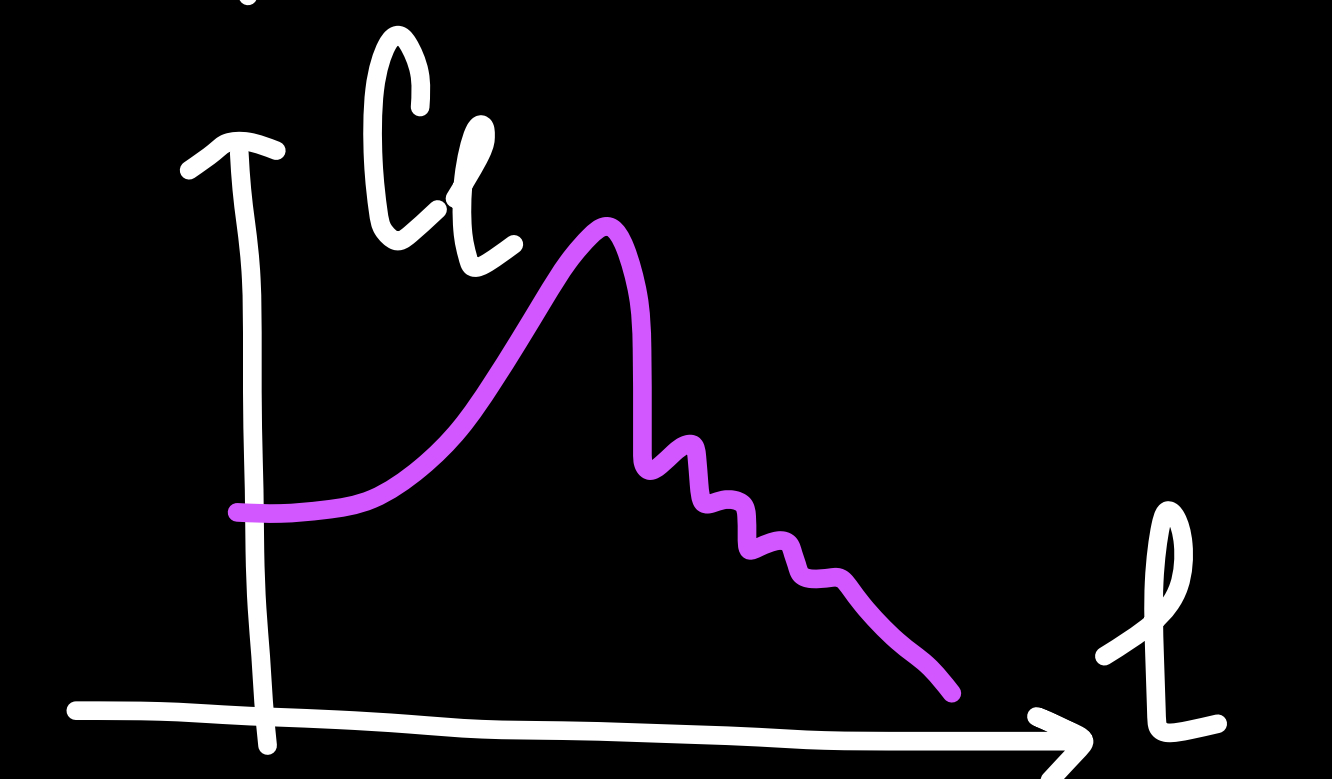
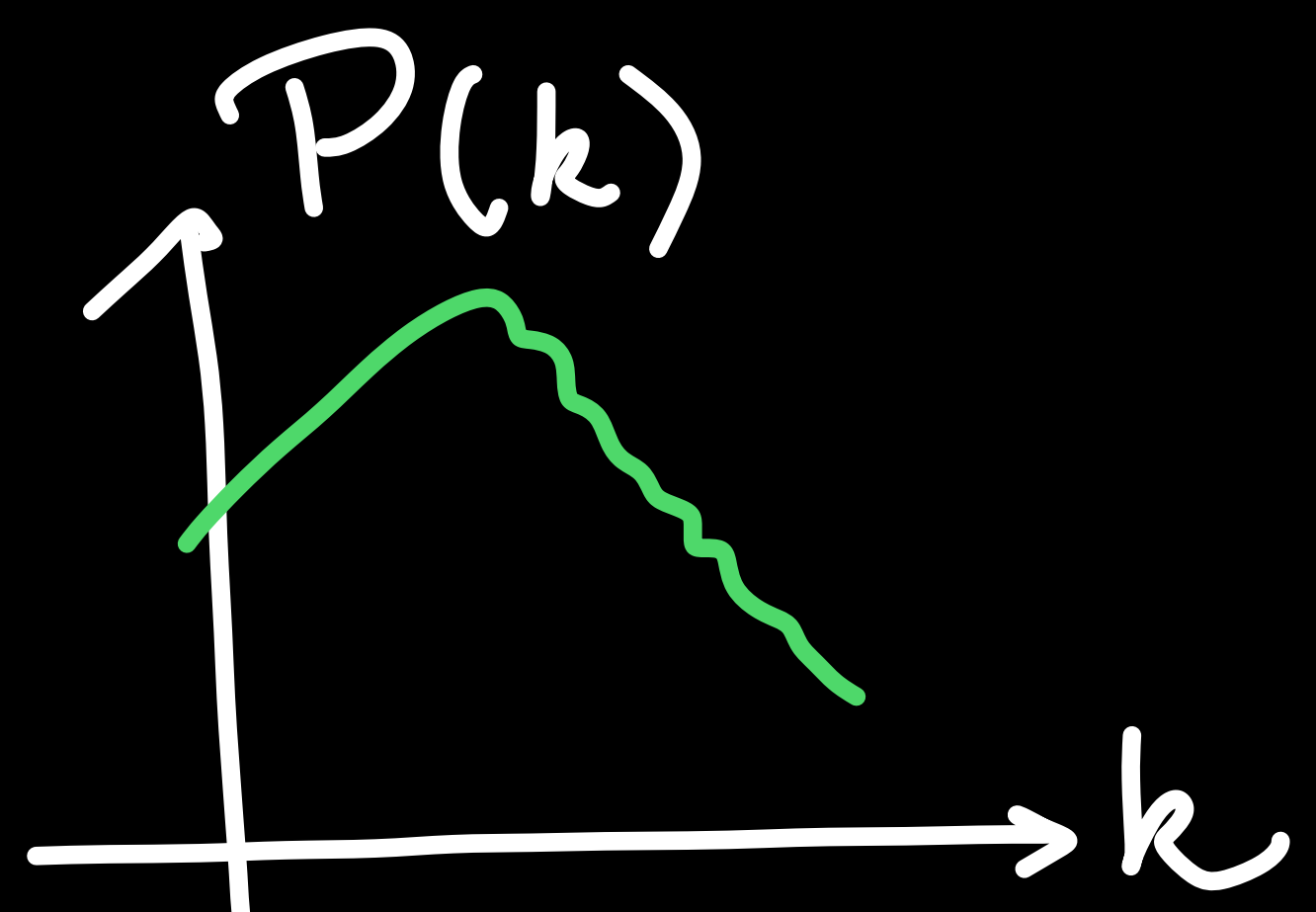
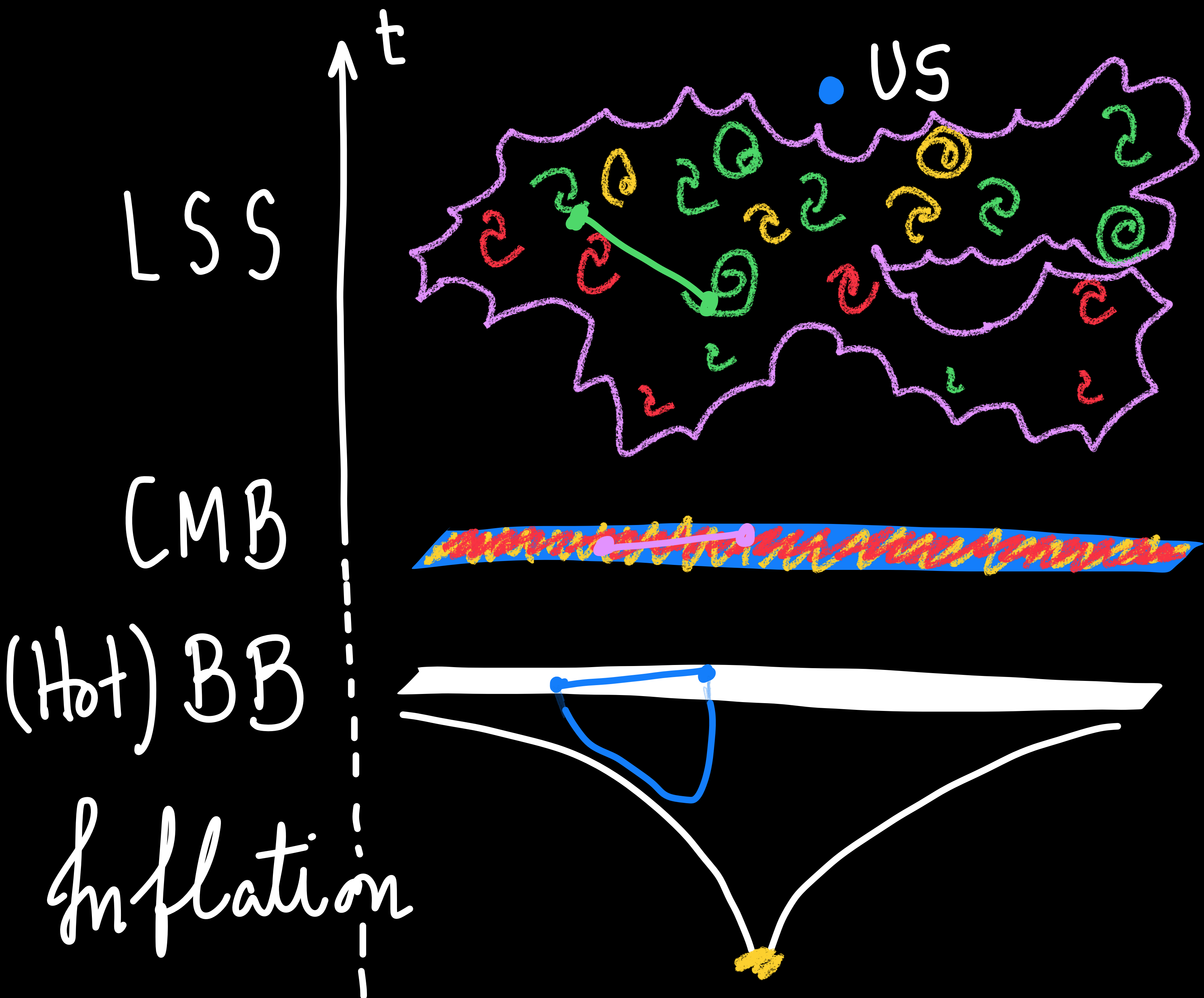
$$c_1 (Y+X_1)^\epsilon (Y+X_2)^\epsilon + c_2 (X_1+X_2)^{2\epsilon}$$

$$= +c_3 {}_2F_1 \left[ \begin{matrix} 1, \epsilon \\ 1-\epsilon \end{matrix} \middle| \frac{Y-X_2}{Y+X_1} \right] (X_1+X_2)^{2\epsilon}$$

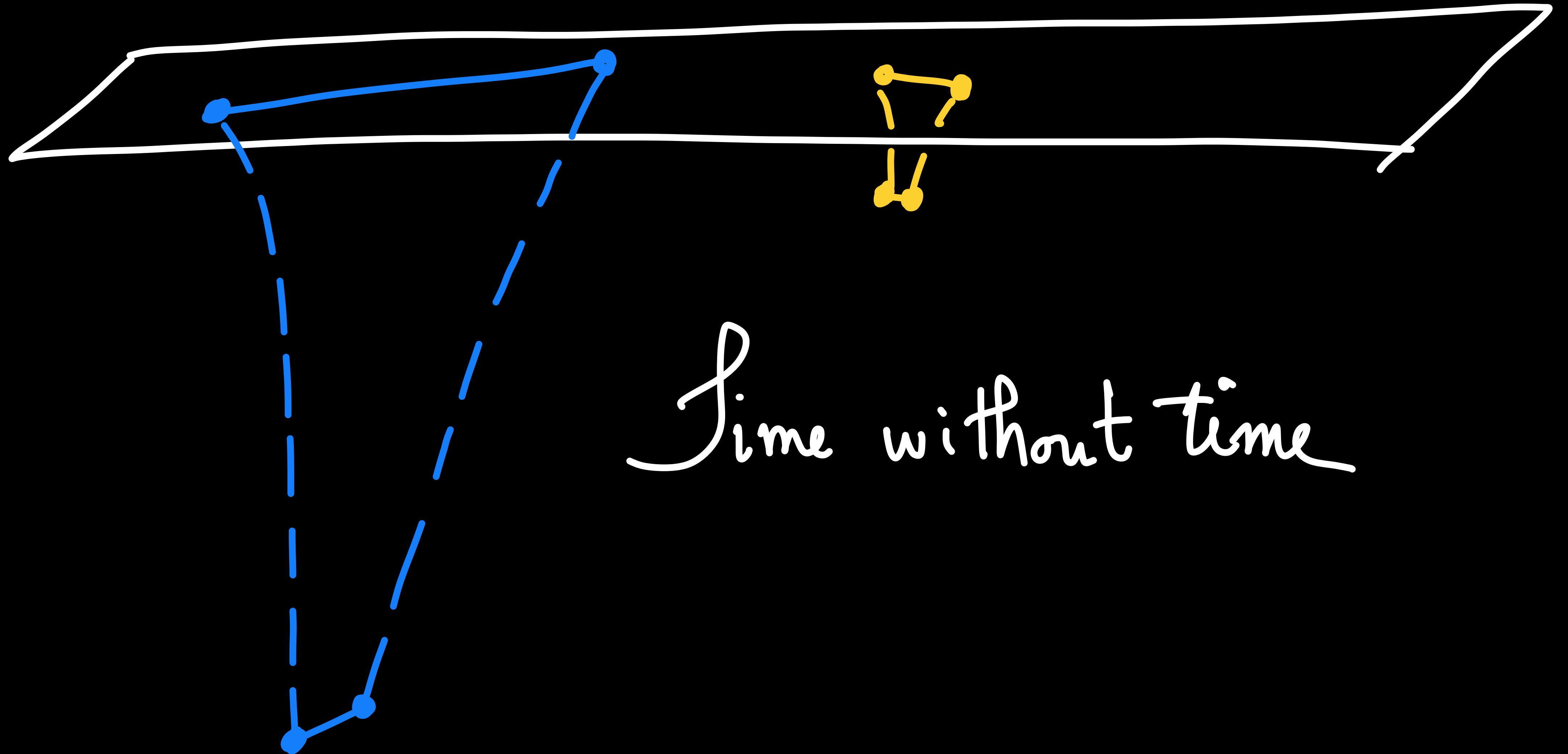
$$+c_4 {}_2F_1 \left[ \begin{matrix} 1, \epsilon \\ 1-\epsilon \end{matrix} \middle| \frac{Y-X_1}{Y+X_2} \right] (X_1+X_2)^{2\epsilon}$$

$c_i$  { No folded singularity  
factorization

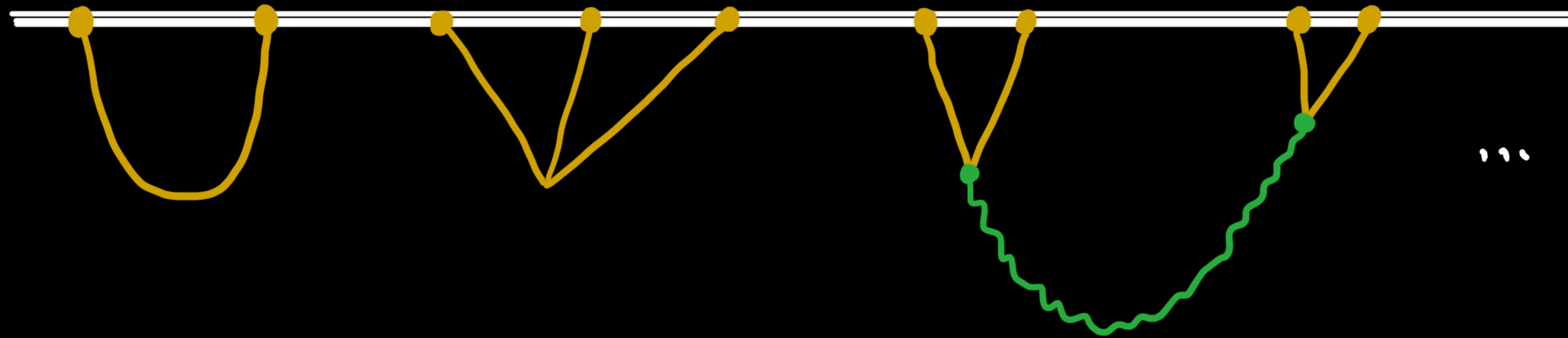
Motivation



# TIME EVOLUTION $\Rightarrow$ BOUNDARY DIFFERENTIAL EQUATION



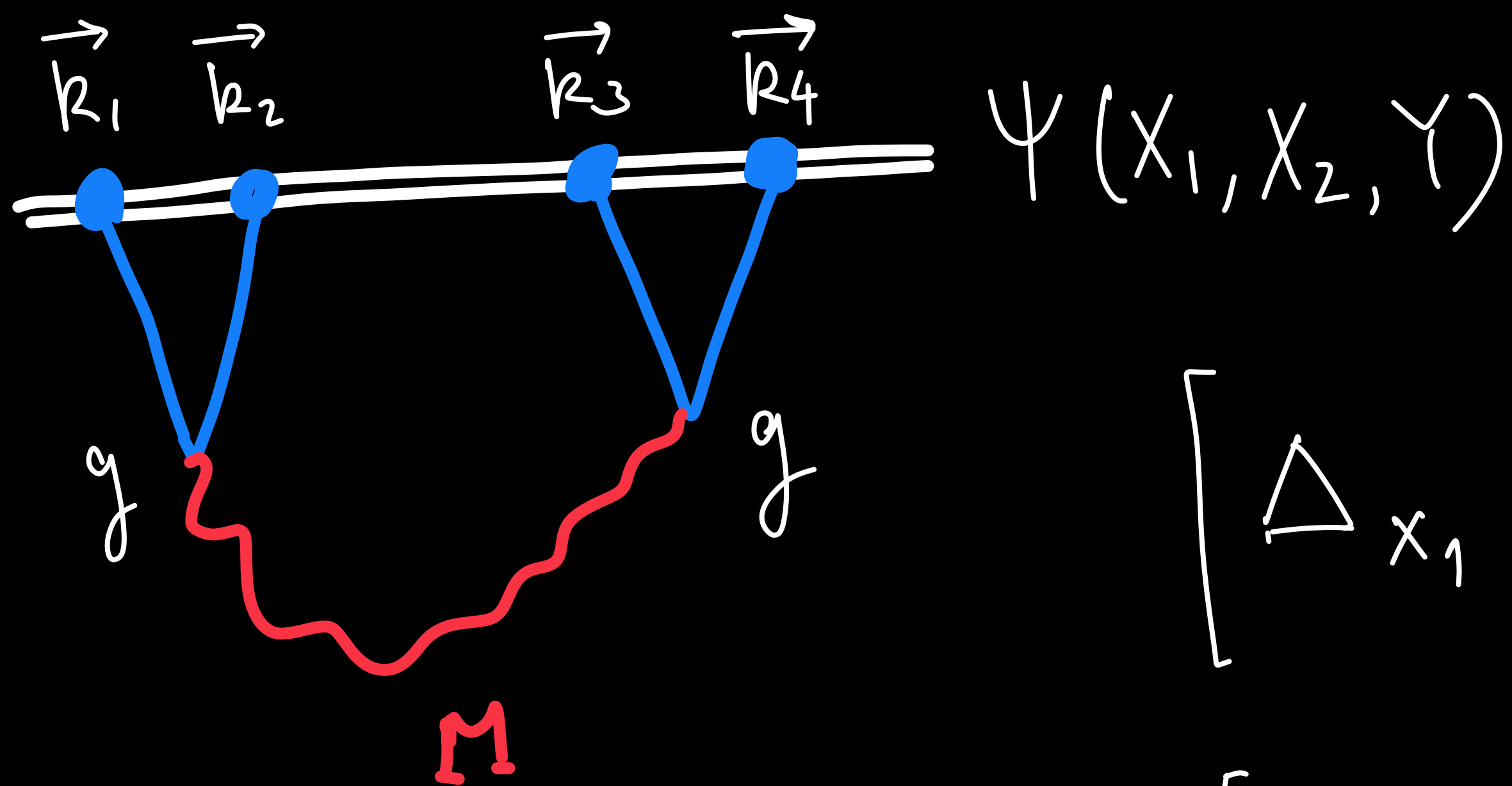
# COSMOLOGICAL BOOTSTRAP



In  $dS_4$  (inflation), with & without boost symmetry

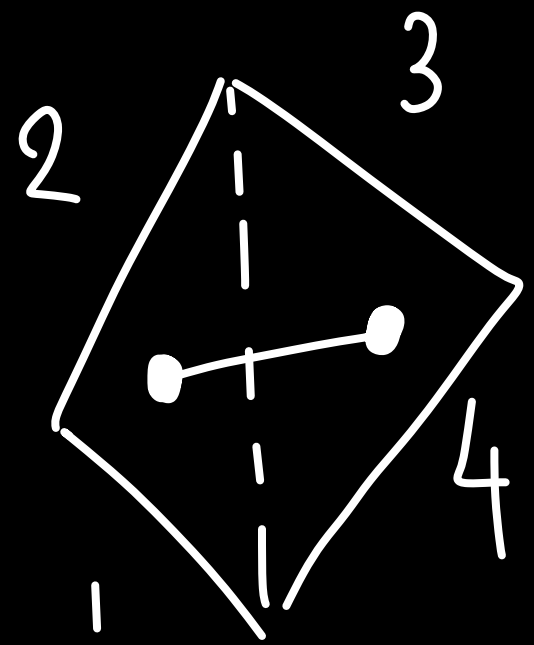
Locality, Unitarity, perturbative & non-perturbative

...



$$\left[ \Delta_{X_1} + \left( \frac{M}{H} \right)^2 - 2 \right] \Psi = \frac{g^2}{X_1 + X_2}$$

$$\left[ \Delta_{X_2} + \left( \frac{M}{H} \right)^2 - 2 \right] \Psi = \frac{g^2}{X_1 + X_2}$$



$$X_1 \equiv k_1 + k_2$$

$$X_2 \equiv k_3 + k_4$$

$$Y \equiv |\vec{k}_1 + \vec{k}_2|$$

hypergeometric (2<sup>nd</sup> order) op.

Singular at  $\begin{bmatrix} X_1 + Y = 0 \\ X_2 + Y = 0 \\ X_1 + X_2 = 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Shouldn't be at  $\begin{bmatrix} X_1 - Y = 0 \\ X_2 - Y = 0 \end{bmatrix}$

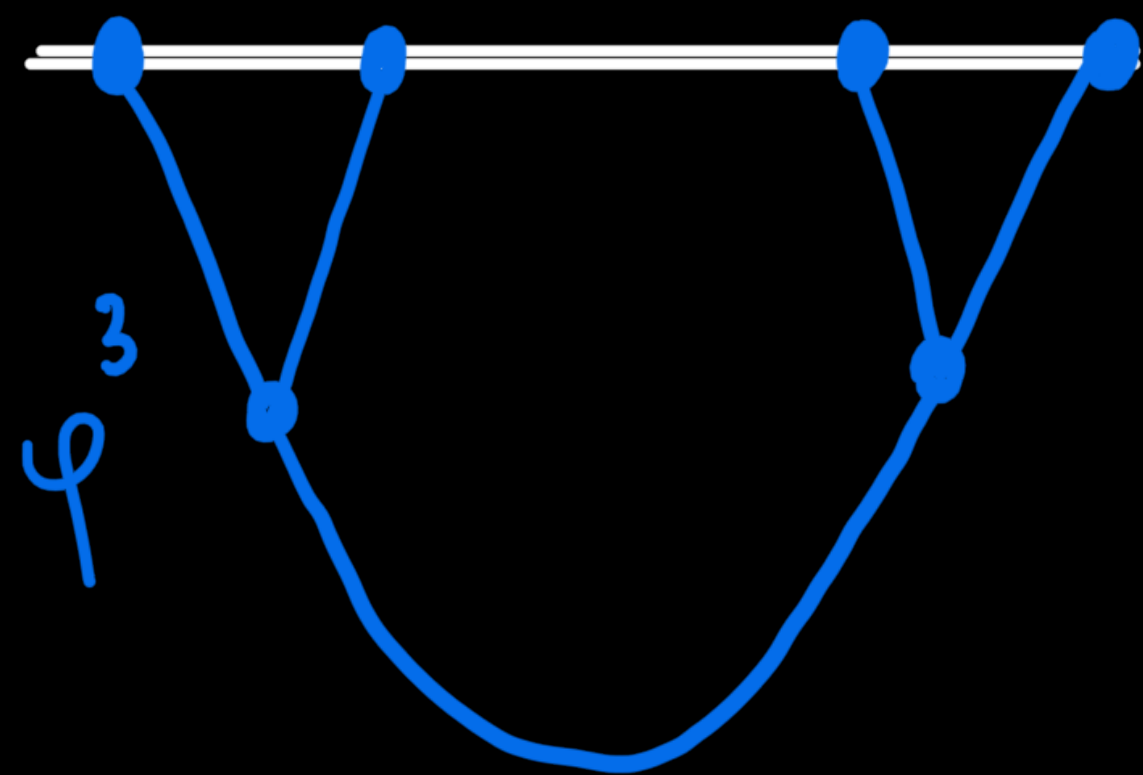
Where do the differential equations  
come from?

Can we derive them (+ solve them)  
systematically?

Model



# PROTOTYPE: CONFORMAL SCALARS <sup>( $\psi$ )</sup> IN POWER LAW COSMOLOGIES <sup>( $\epsilon$ )</sup>



$$\psi(x_1, x_2, Y) = \int \frac{(x_1, x_2)^\epsilon dx_1 dx_2}{(x_1 + \bar{x}_1 + Y) (x_2 + \bar{x}_2 + Y) (x_1 + x_2 + \bar{x}_1 + \bar{x}_2)}$$

$$ds^2 = \eta^{-2\epsilon} \left[ \frac{-d\eta^2 + d\vec{x}^2}{\eta^2} \right]$$

- $\epsilon = 0$   $ds^2 = 0$
- $\epsilon = -1$  Flat
- $\epsilon = -2$  Radiation
- $\epsilon = -3$  Matter

How to find D.E. for  $\psi$ ?

# Key Point

$$F = \int (x_1, x_2)^\varepsilon \Omega$$

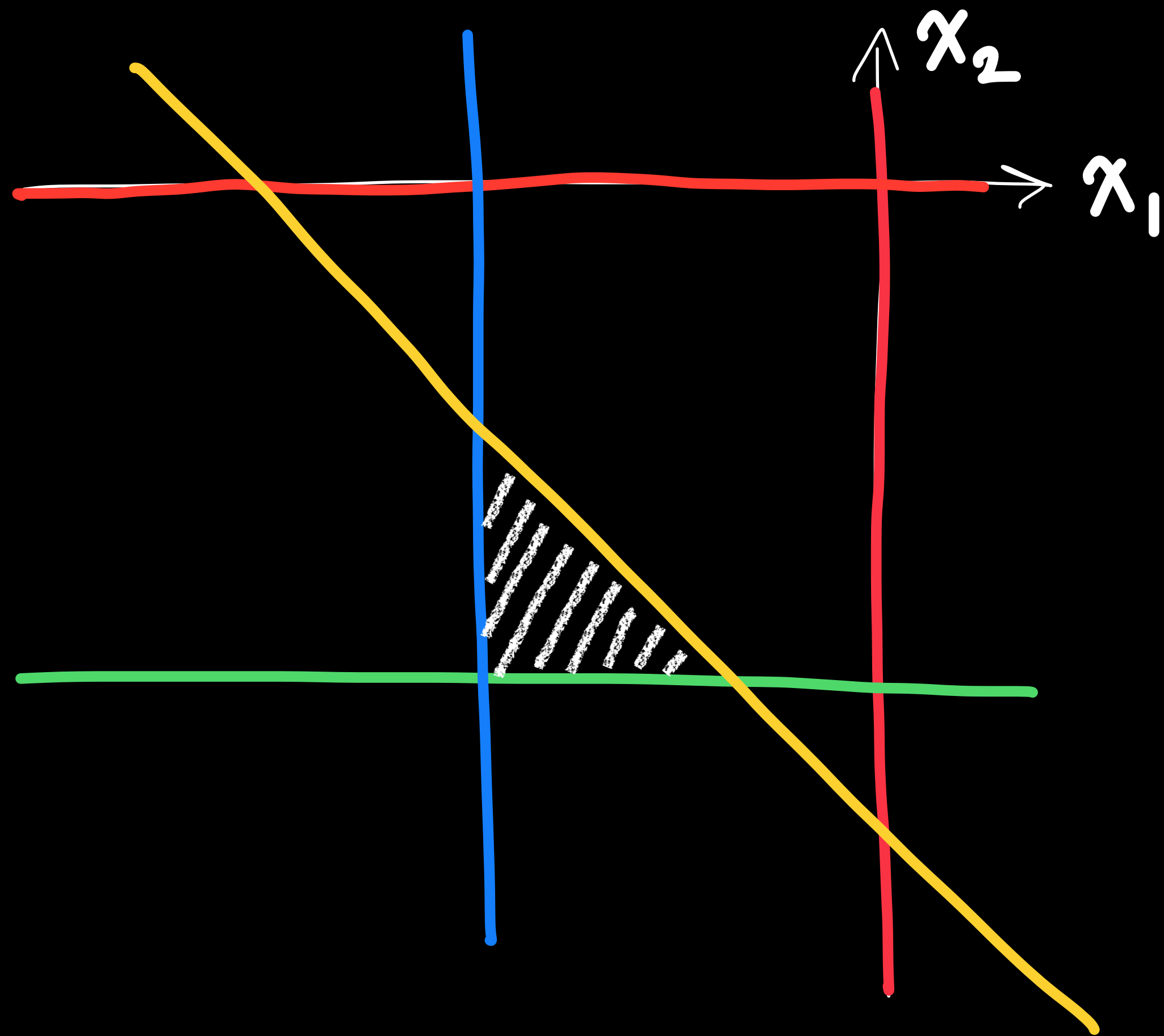
"twist"

Canonical Form for bounded region in  $(x_1, x_2)$  plane (Cosmological Polytope)

Strategy: Exploit (twisted) cohomology of integrands

Consider

$$F_{n_1, \dots, n_5} = c_{n_1, \dots, n_5} \int_0^\infty \frac{dx_1 dx_2 (x_1 x_2)^\varepsilon}{T_1^{n_1} T_2^{n_2} L_1^{n_3} L_2^{n_4} L_3^{n_5}}$$



$$T_1: x_1$$

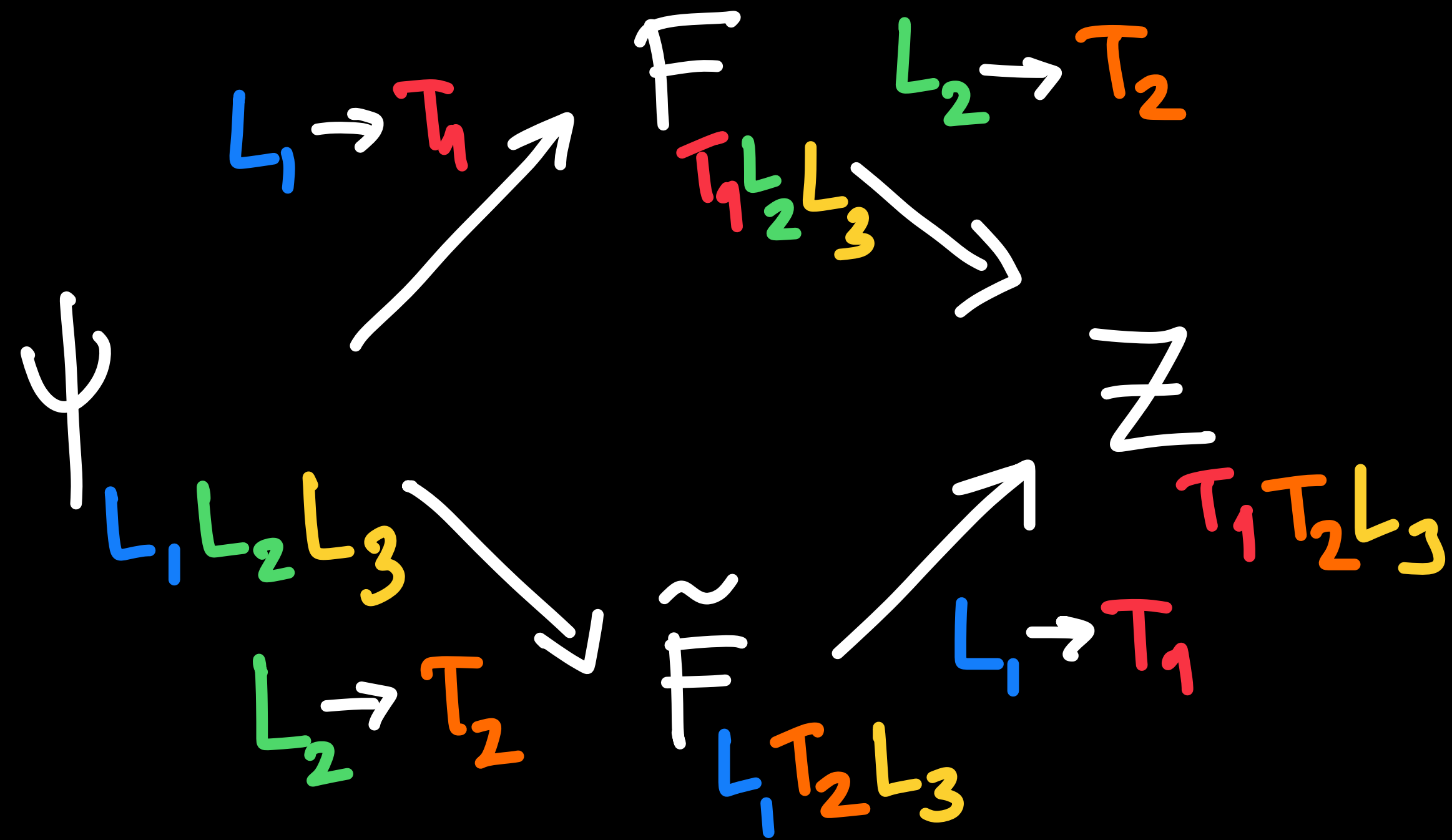
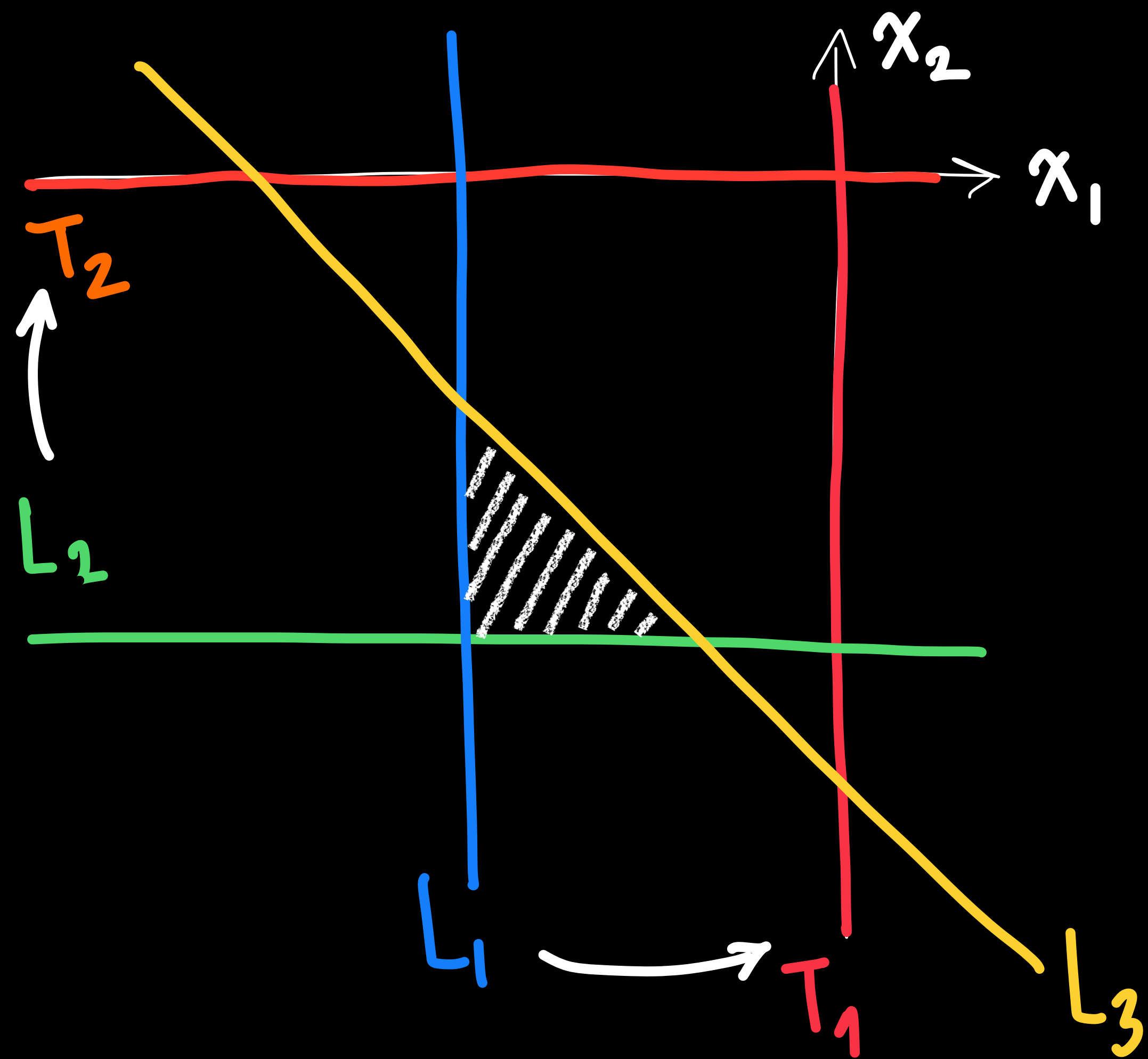
$$T_2: x_2$$

$$L_1: x_1 + \bar{x}_1 + Y$$

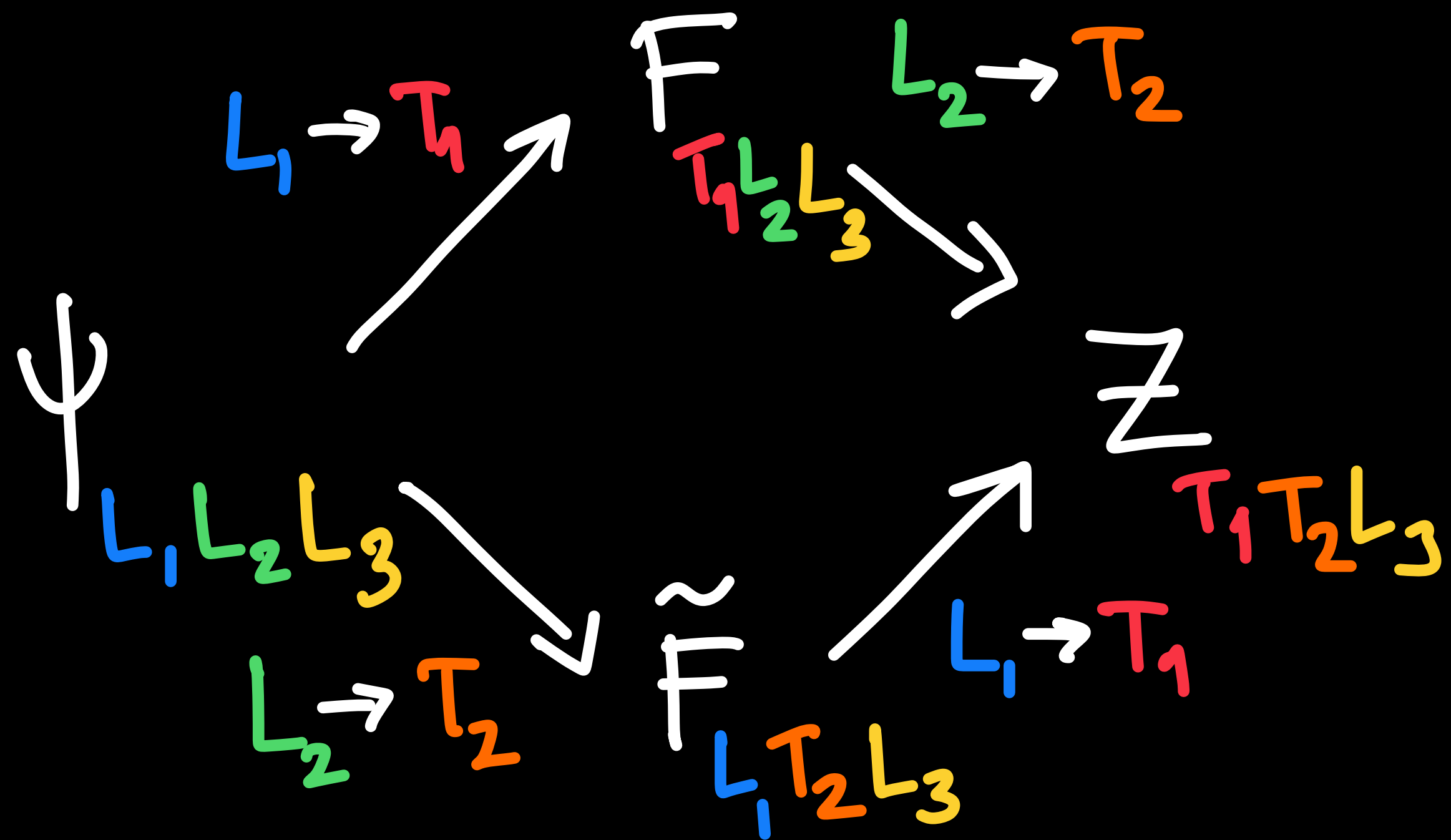
$$L_2: x_2 + \bar{x}_2 + Y$$

$$L_3: x_1 + x_2 + \bar{x}_1 + \bar{x}_2$$

Basis size: # of bounded regions



$$\mathcal{D} \begin{bmatrix} \Psi \\ F \\ \tilde{F} \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \varepsilon A \begin{bmatrix} \Psi \\ \tilde{F} \\ \tilde{F} \\ z \end{bmatrix}$$



$$d\Psi = \varepsilon \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{diagram 1} (\Psi - F) + \\ + \text{diagram 2} (\Psi - \tilde{F}) + \\ + \text{diagram 3} F + \\ + \text{diagram 4} \tilde{F} \end{array} \right]$$

$$dF = \varepsilon \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{diagram 5} (F - Z) + \\ \text{diagram 6} Z \end{array} \right]$$

$$d\tilde{F} = \varepsilon \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{diagram 7} (\tilde{F} - Z) + \\ \text{diagram 8} Z \end{array} \right]$$

$$dZ = \varepsilon \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{diagram 9} 2Z \end{array} \right]$$

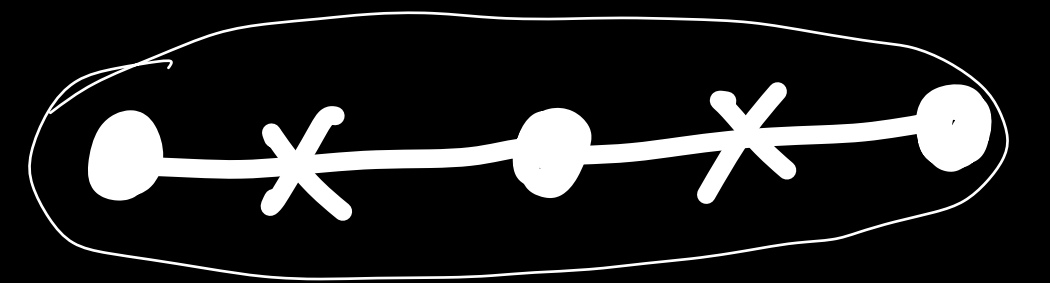
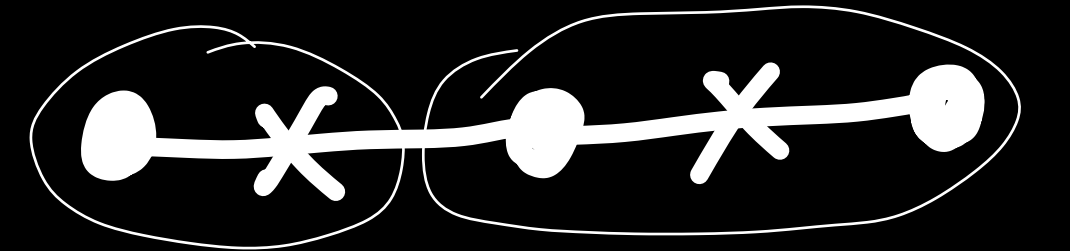
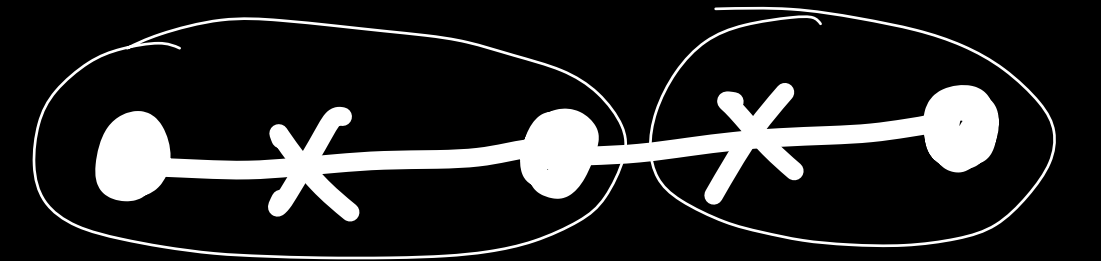
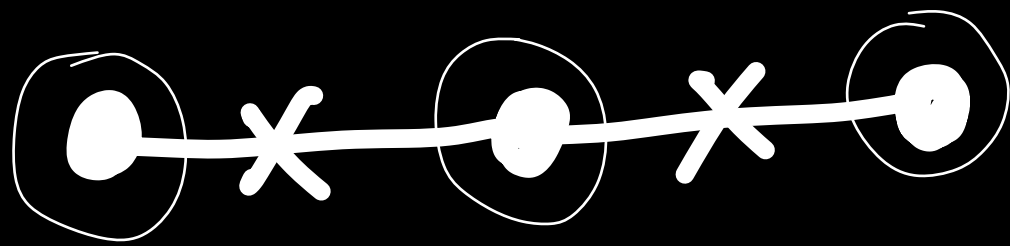
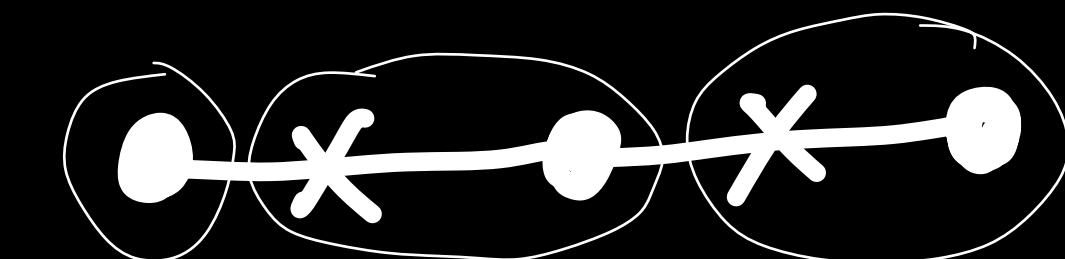
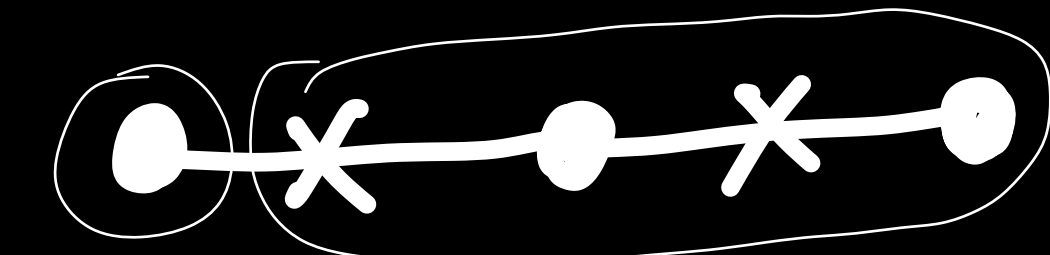
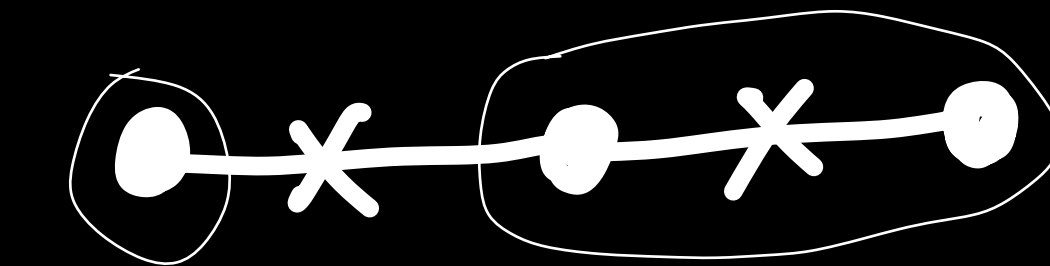
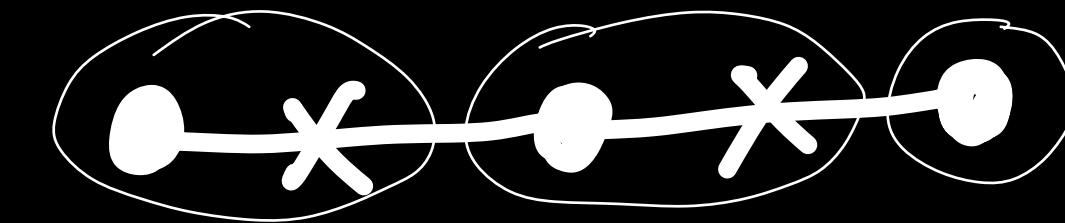
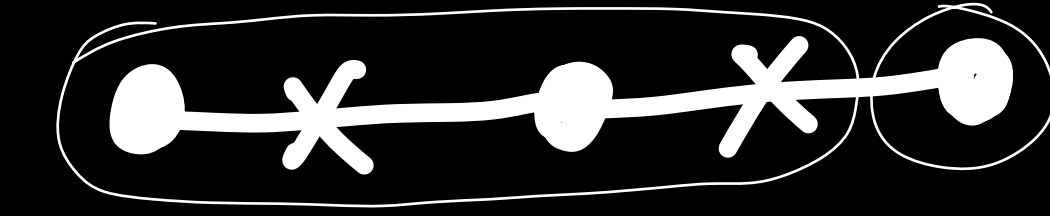
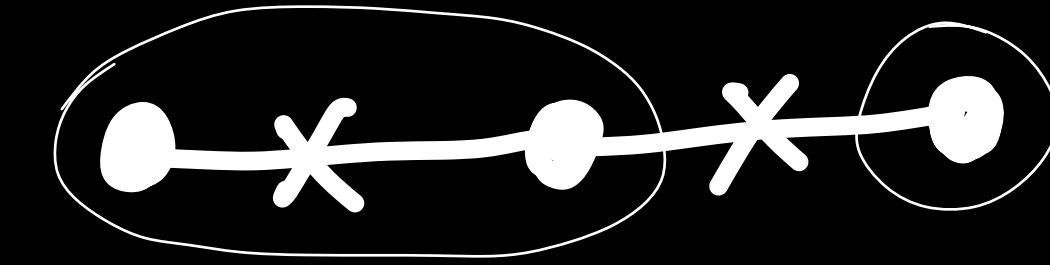
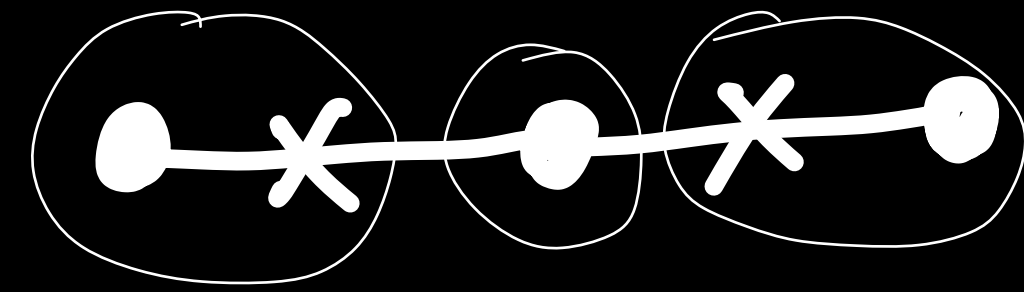
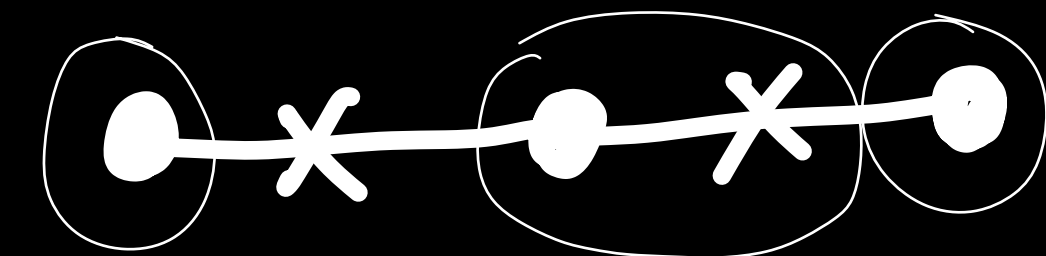
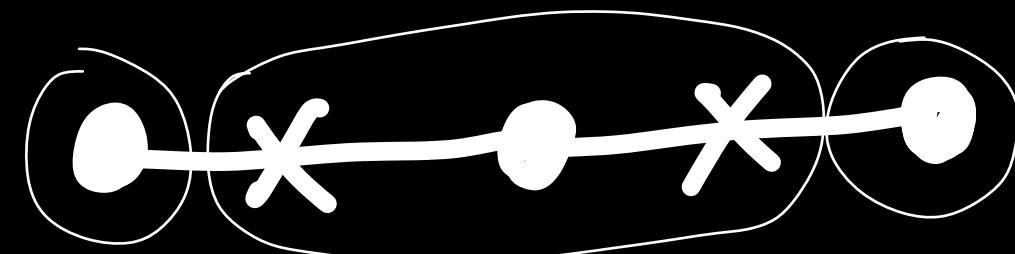
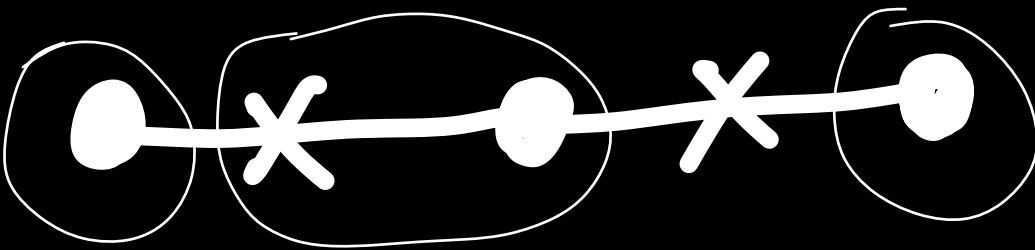
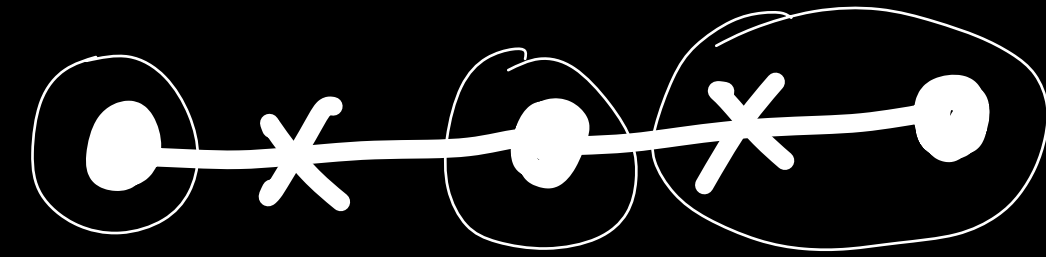
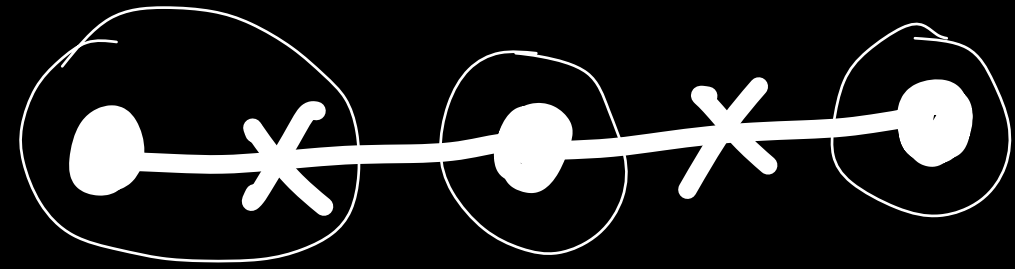
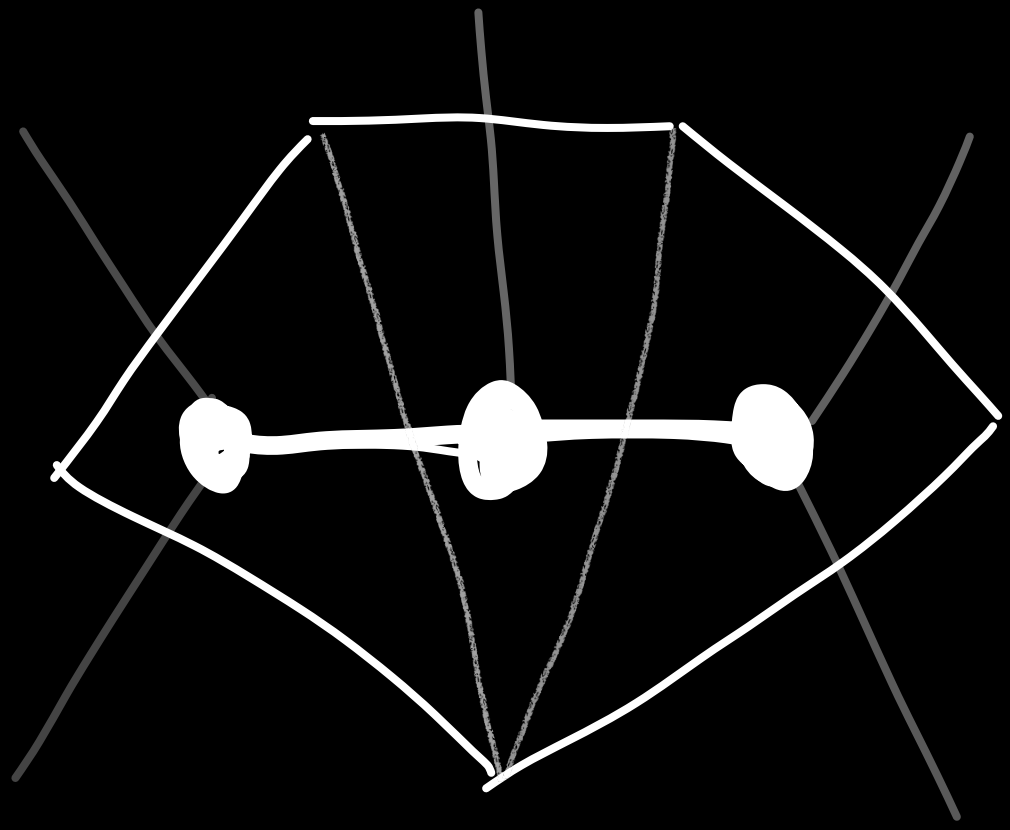
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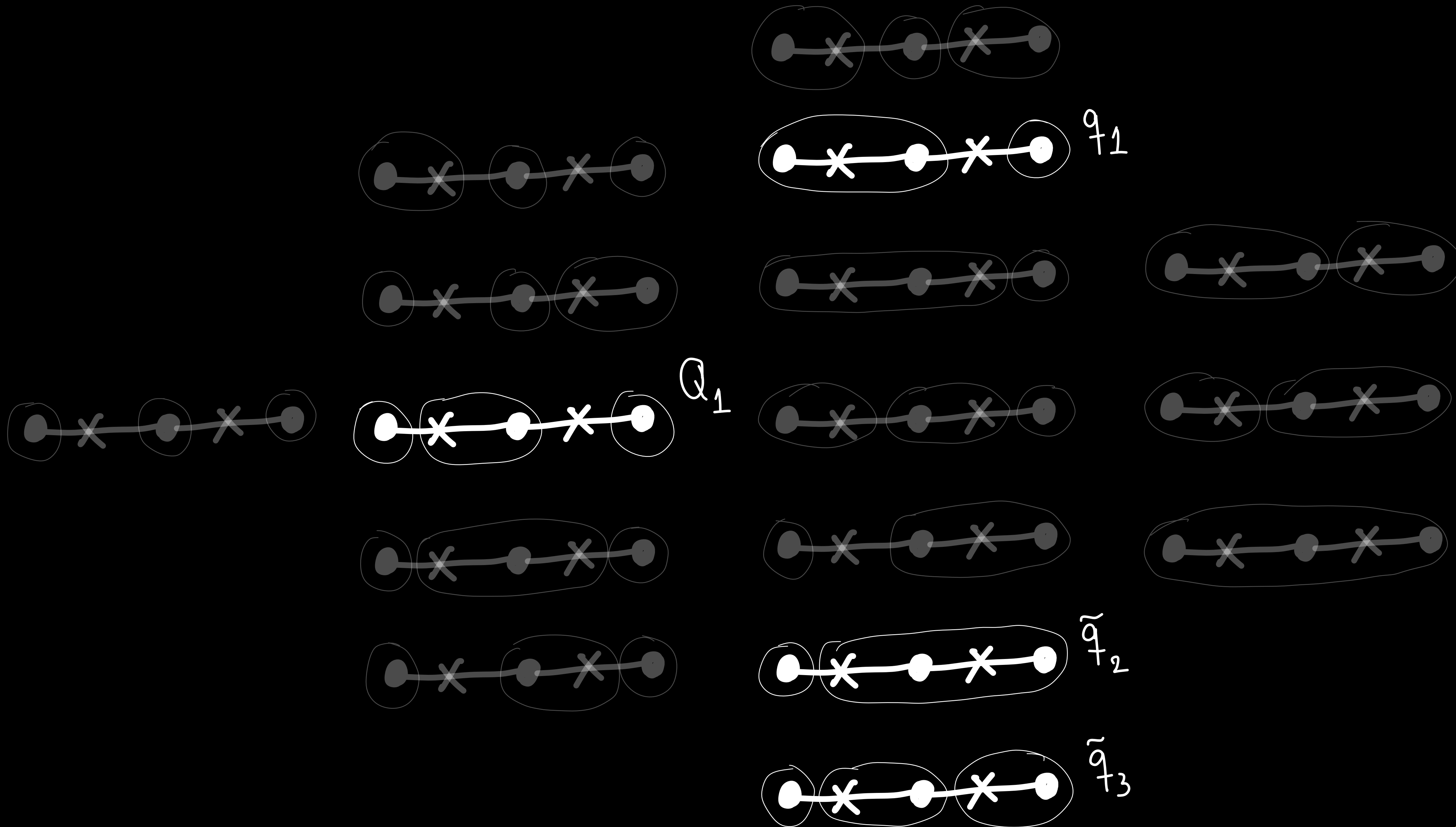
follows  
kinematic  
Flow!

$$d \begin{bmatrix} \Psi \\ F \\ \tilde{F} \\ Z \end{bmatrix} = \varepsilon A \begin{bmatrix} \Psi \\ F \\ \tilde{F} \\ Z \end{bmatrix}$$

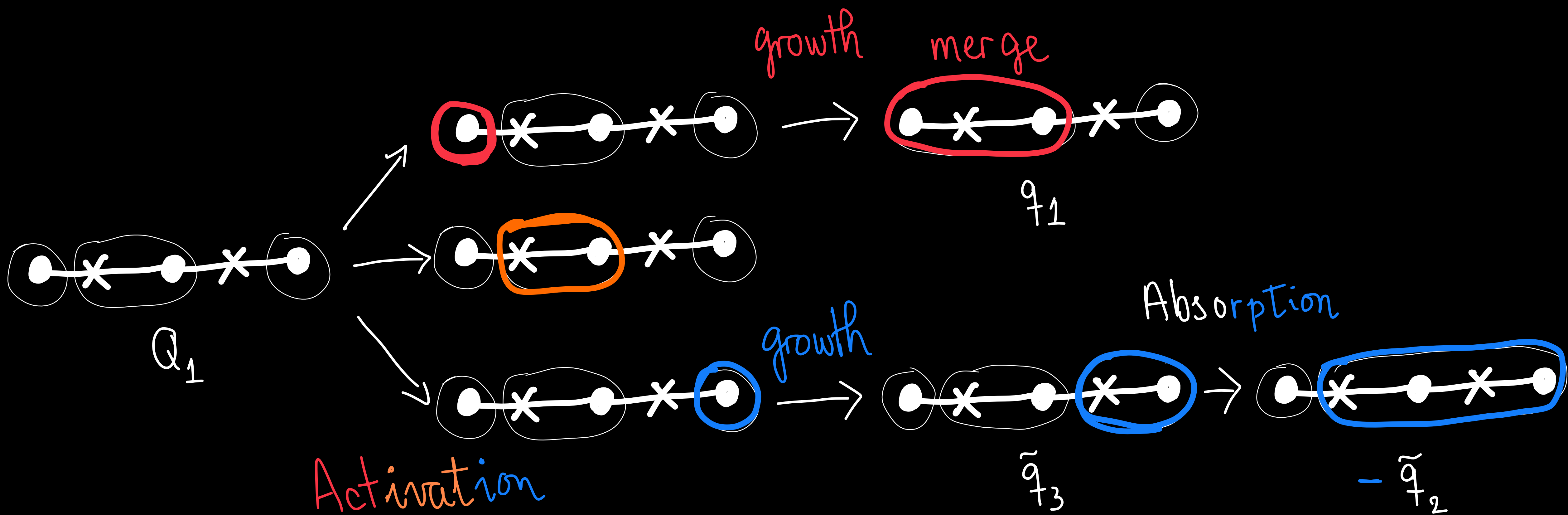
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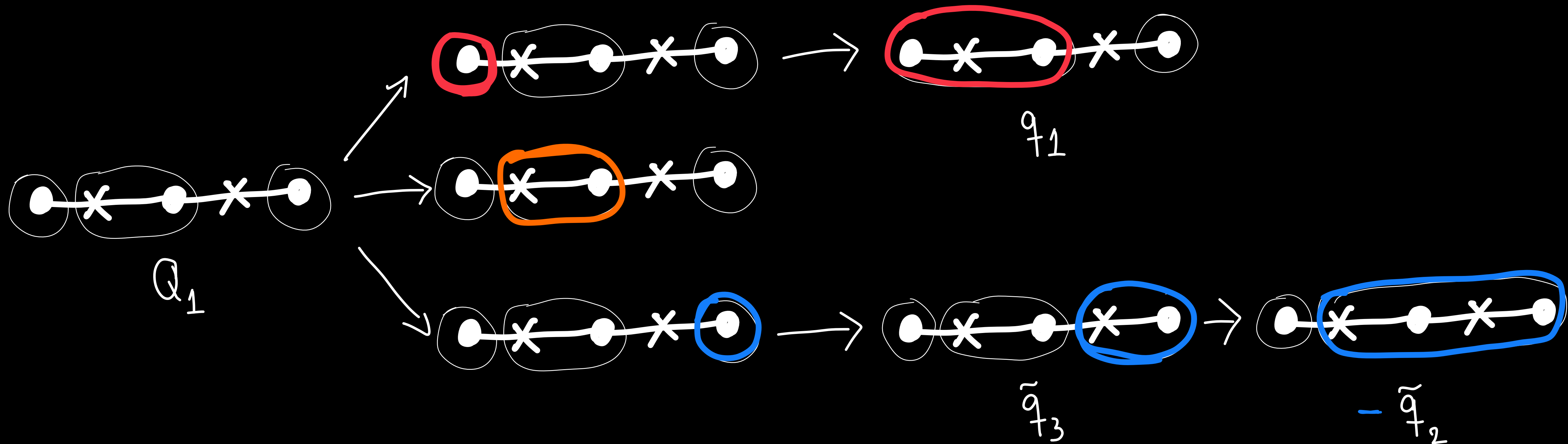
Flow ...











$$dQ_1 = \mathcal{E} \left[ \begin{aligned} & (Q_1 - q_1) \text{ [Diagram: red circle on first node]} + Q_1 \text{ [Diagram: orange circle on transition]} + (Q_1 - \tilde{q}_3) \text{ [Diagram: blue circle on last node]} \\ & + q_1 \text{ [Diagram: red oval on first two nodes]} + (\tilde{q}_3 + \tilde{q}_2) \text{ [Diagram: blue oval on transition]} \\ & - \tilde{q}_2 \text{ [Diagram: blue oval on last three nodes]} \end{aligned} \right]$$

Works for sums of graphs!

$g \phi^a_b \phi^b_c \phi^c_a$

# pts

A naive

A real

4

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7

5

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502

Is there some structure

that contains A  
in it???

F.A.Q.

Q OUTLOOK

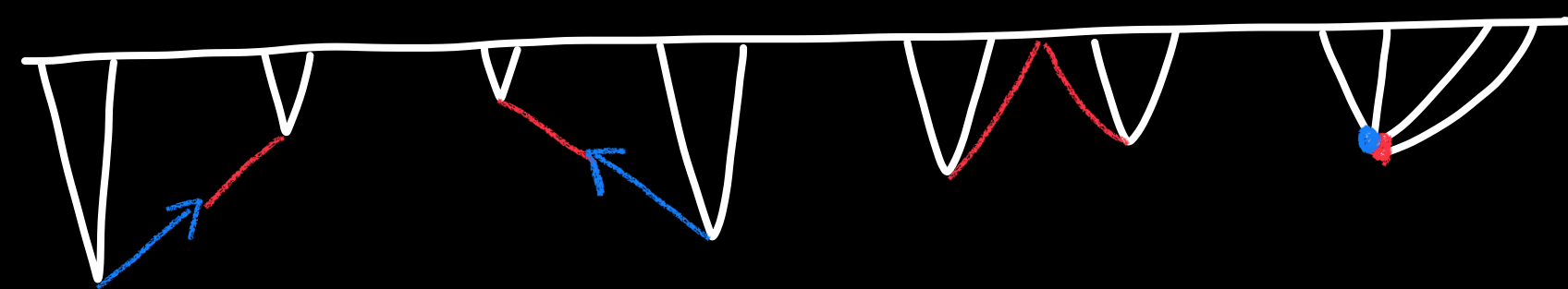
Q: Boundary Conditions?

A: No folded singularity + Single factorization limit

Q: What's the physical interpretation of  $\mathbb{I}$ ?

A: Flow: Bubbings  $\rightarrow$ ? Bulk: Breaking propagator in 4 pieces

Q: Can you solve them?

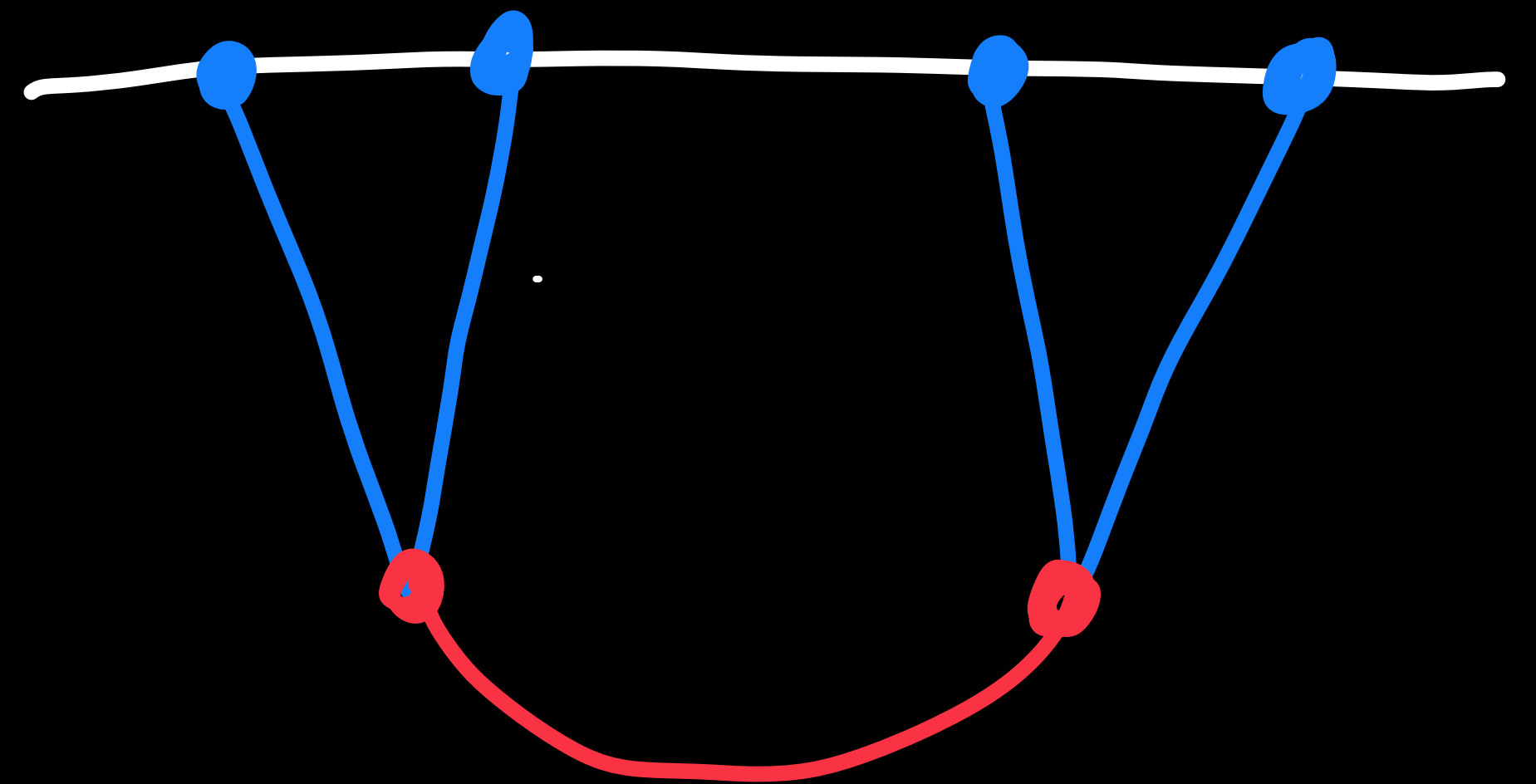
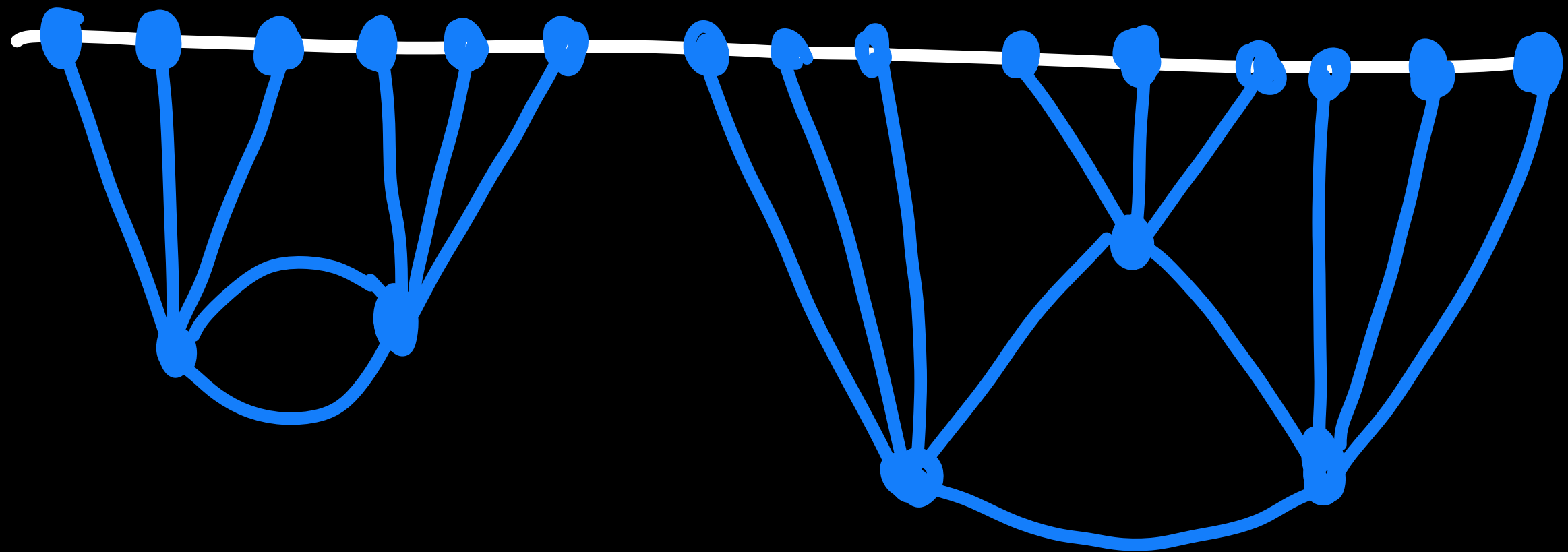


A: To some extent. Beyond my wildest dreams for sure.

Q: What about (mass, spin, loops)?

A: Working on it (with brilliant students)

# New Directions



$$\int_{\Omega} d\text{loop } d\text{cosmo}$$

spoils canonical form

$$M_g \ll H :$$

$$M_g \sim H :$$

$$M_g \gg H :$$

Unparticle

(Adographic) RG

flow geometry 29

DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

MAY BE ENTRYWAY

TO NEW FRAMEWORK FOR

Technology!

Masses

Loops

emergent  
time

Spins

Stochasticity

Unitarity

Strong  
coupling