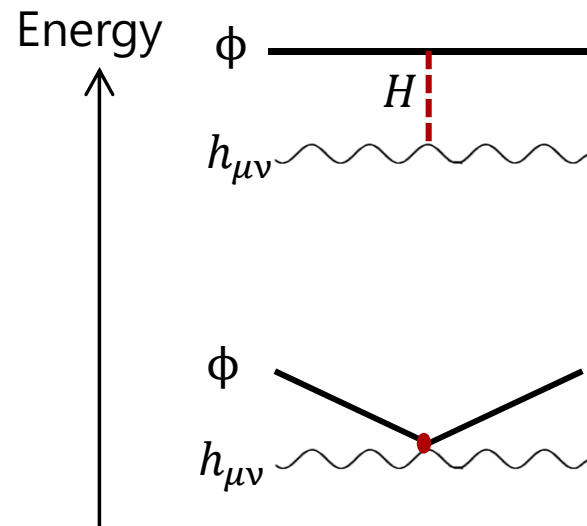


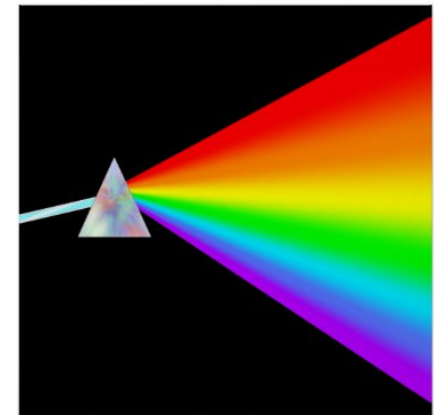
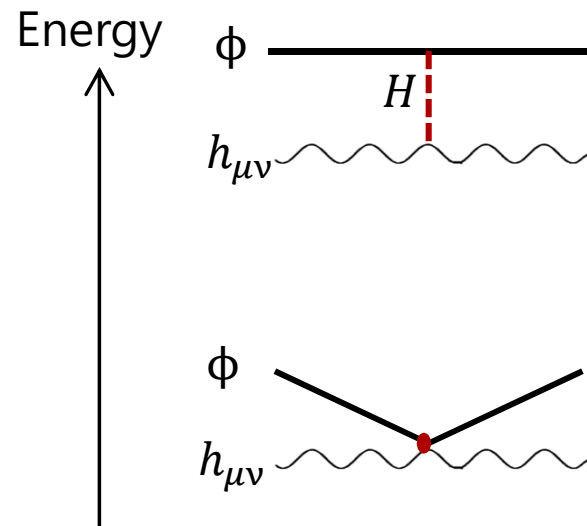
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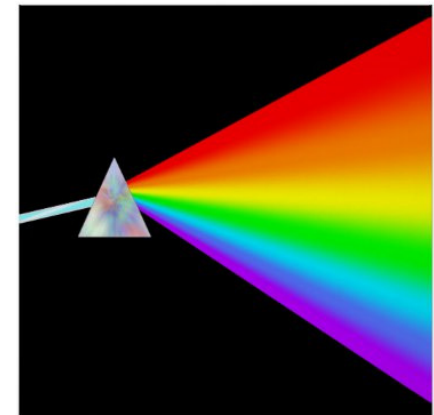
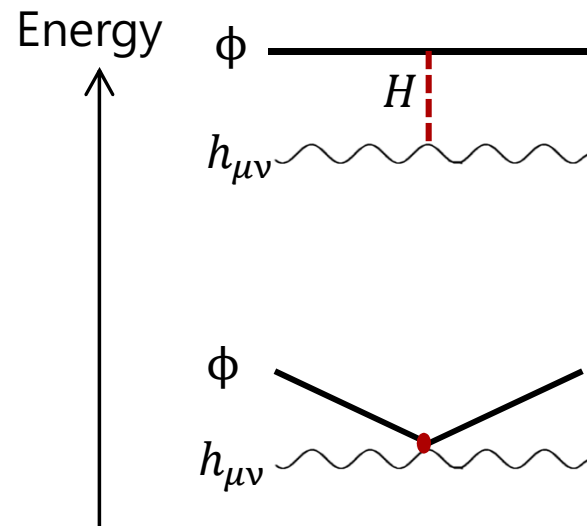
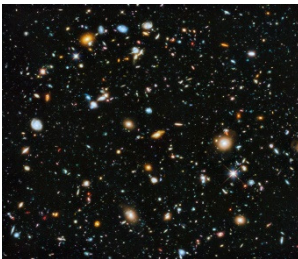
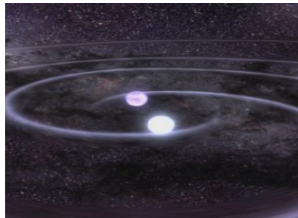
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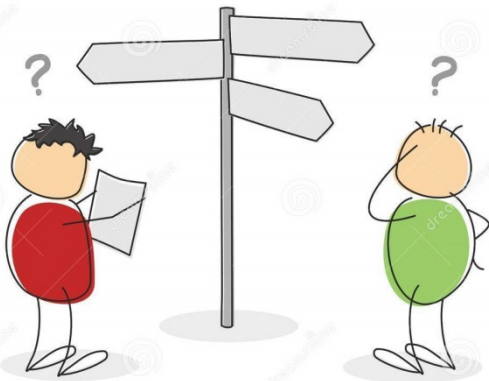


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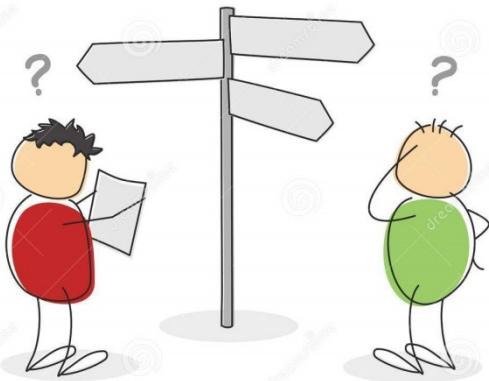


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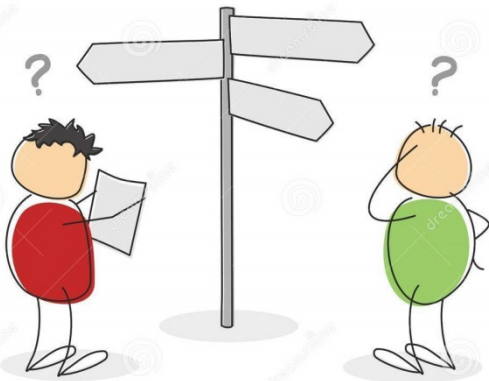
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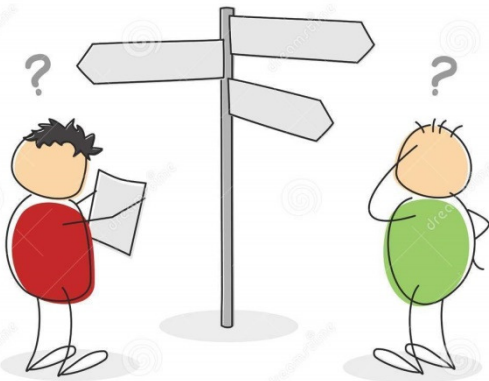
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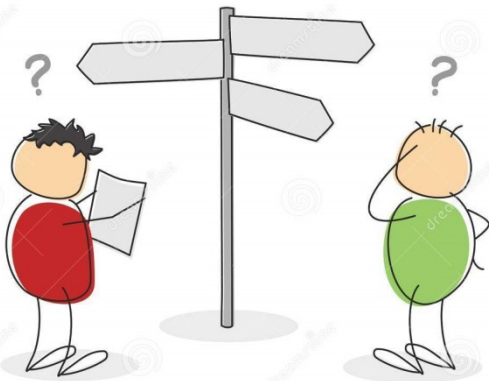
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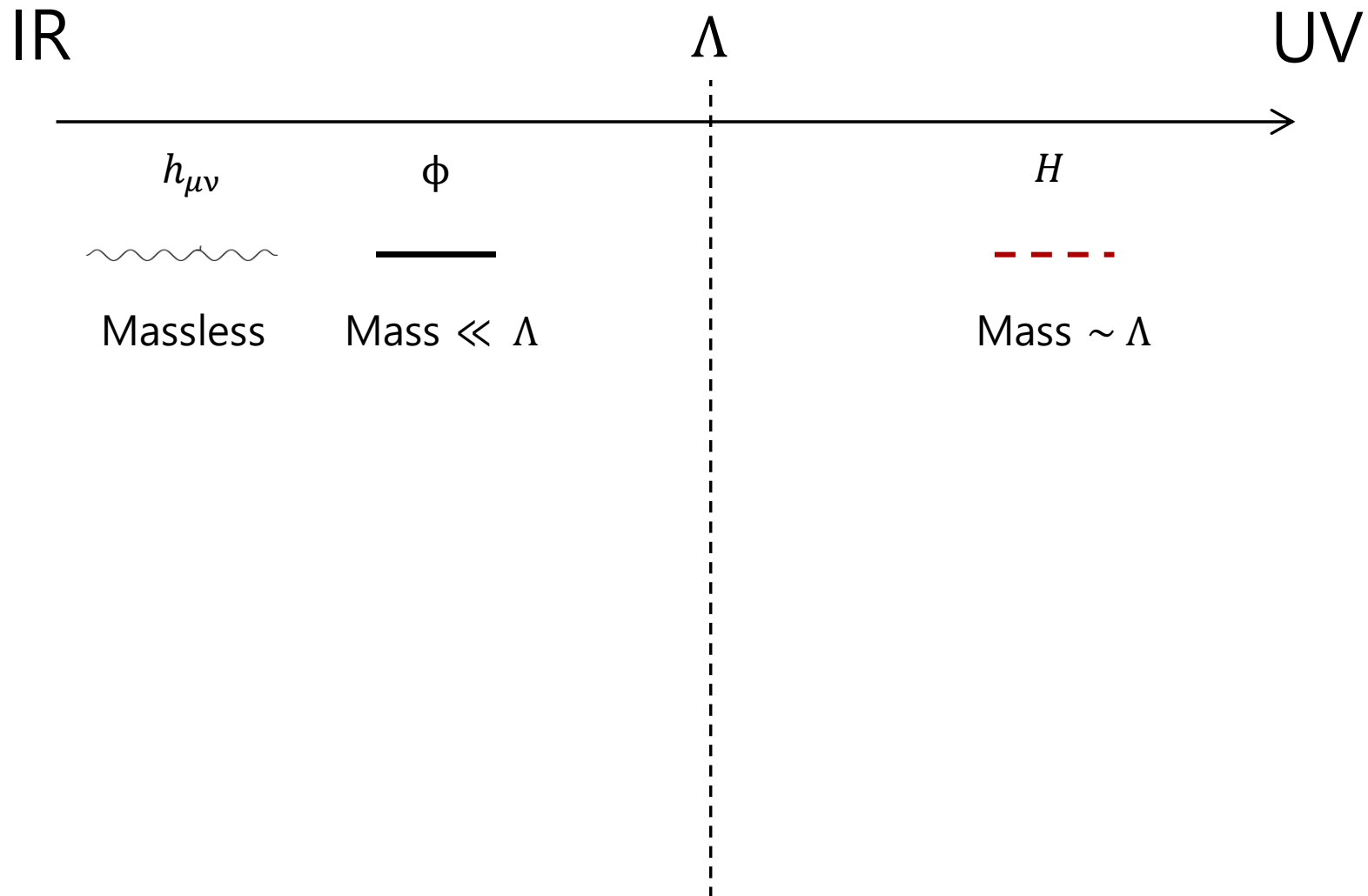
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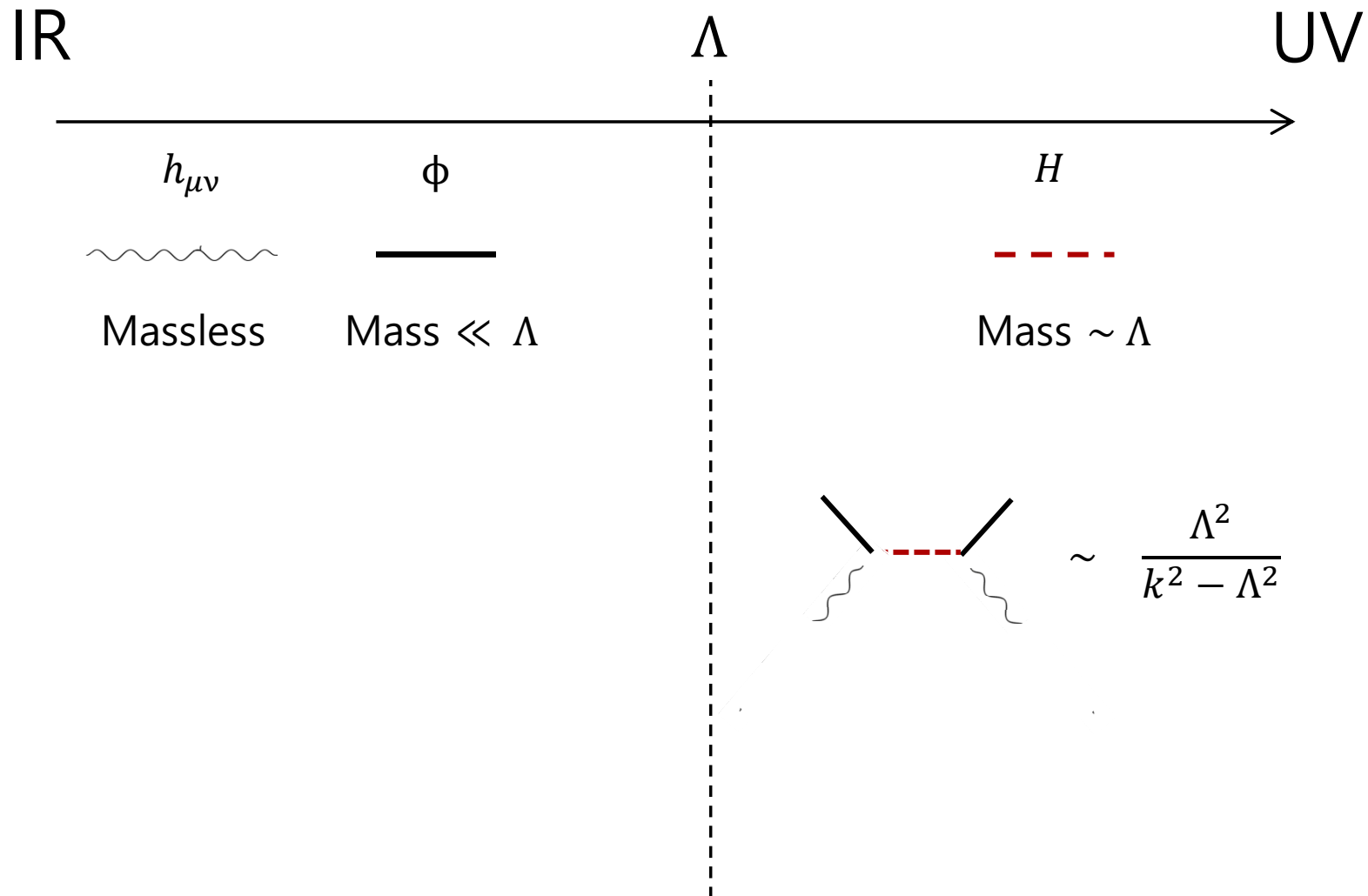
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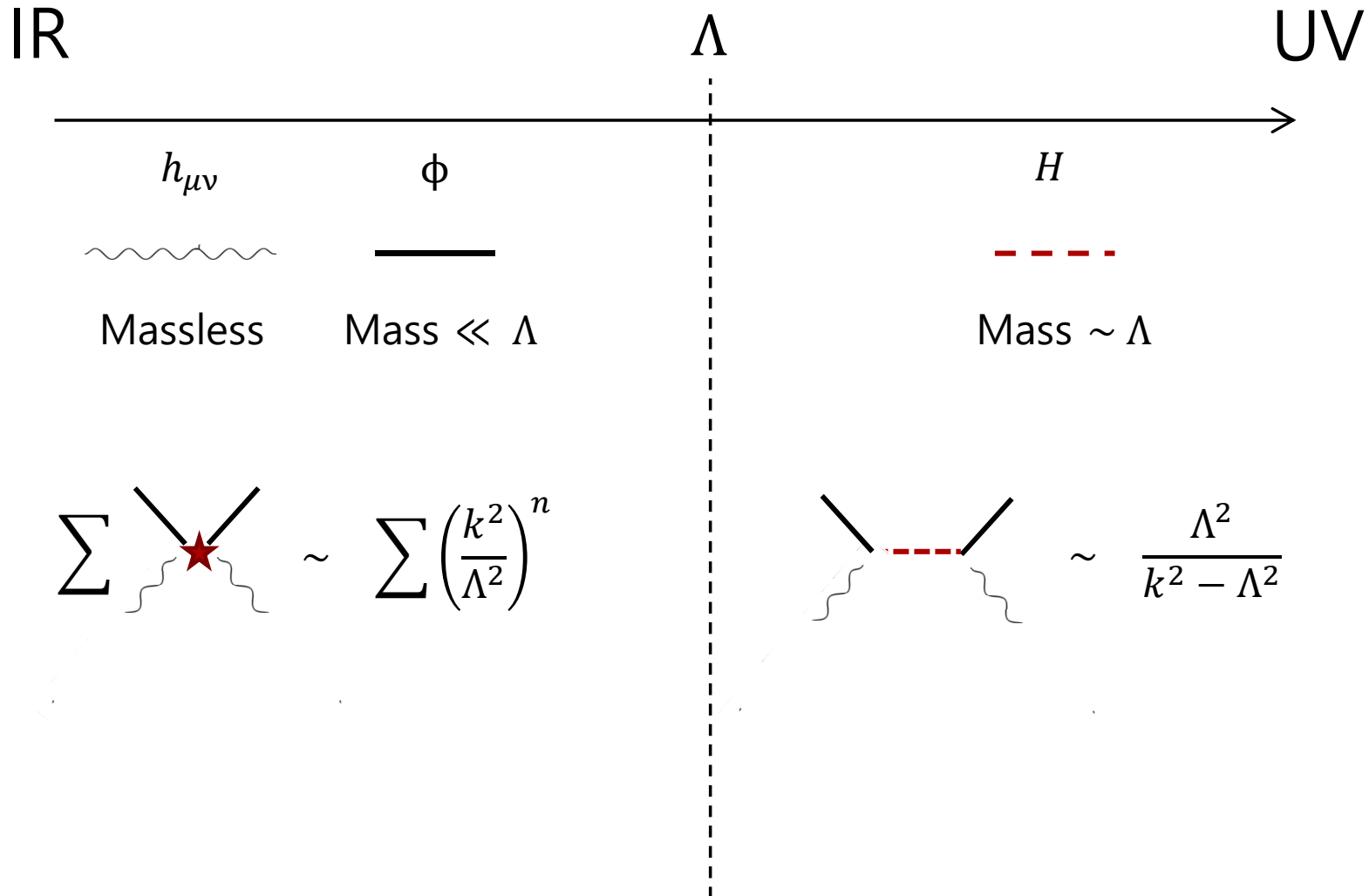
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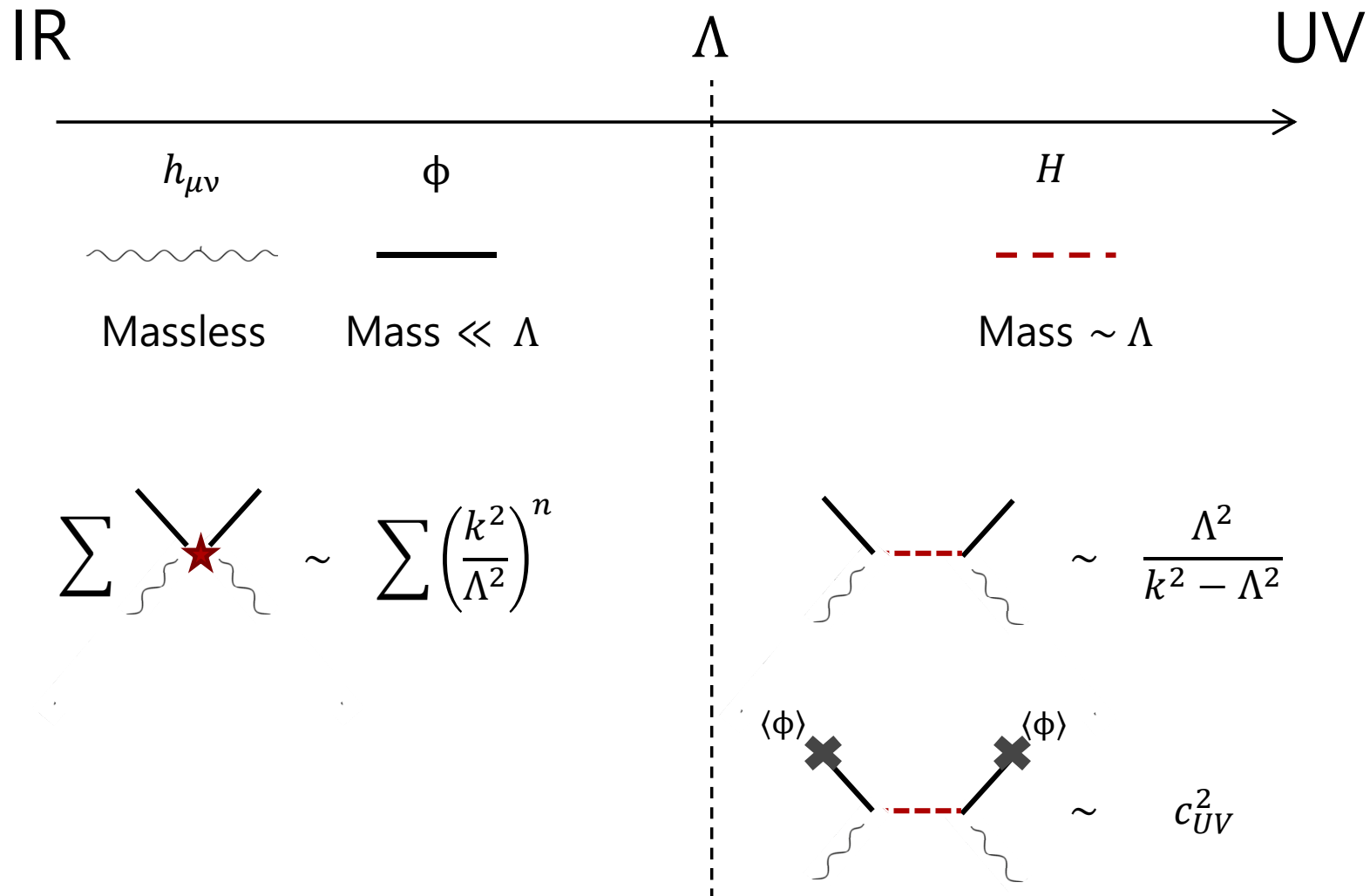
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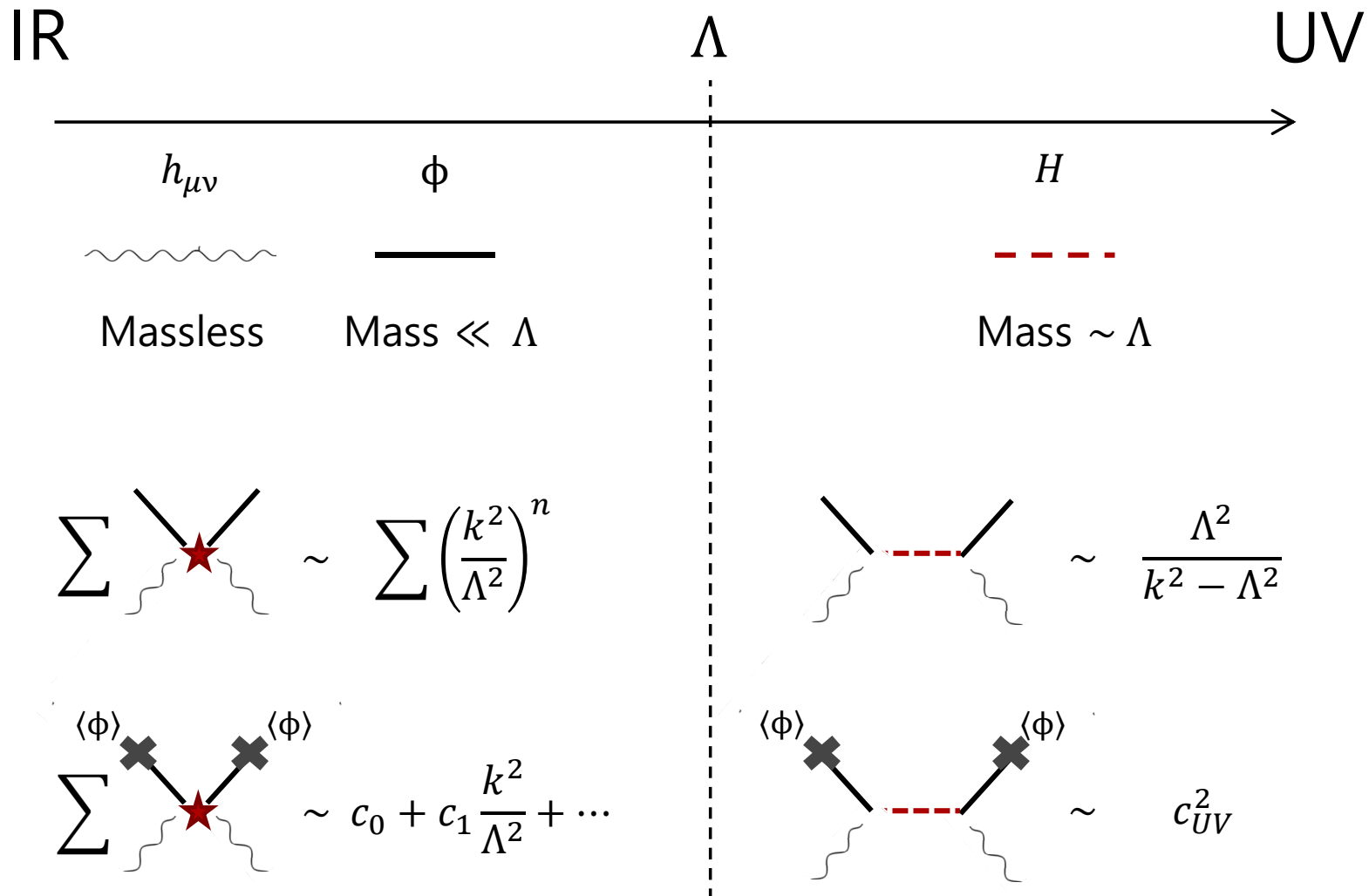


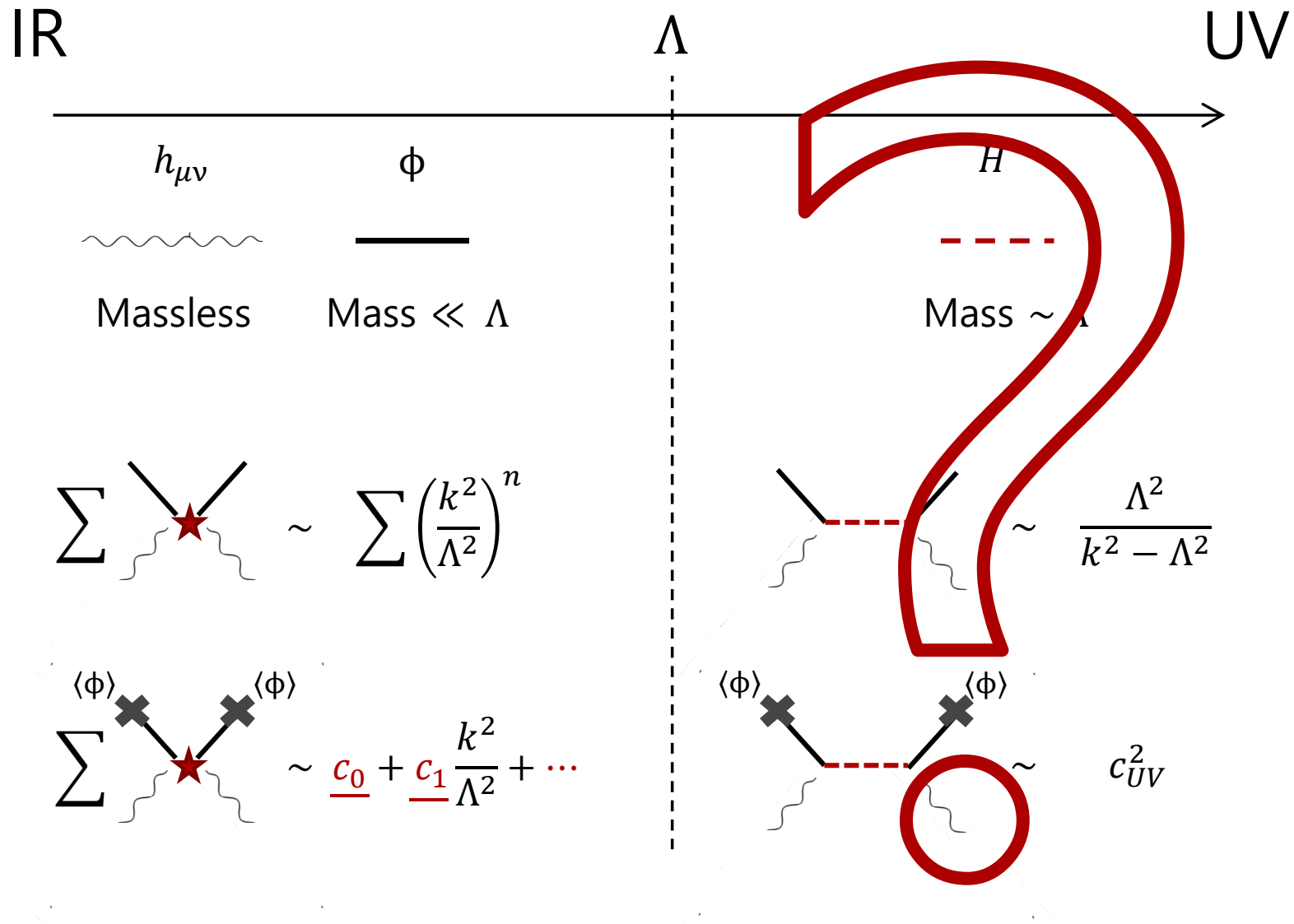








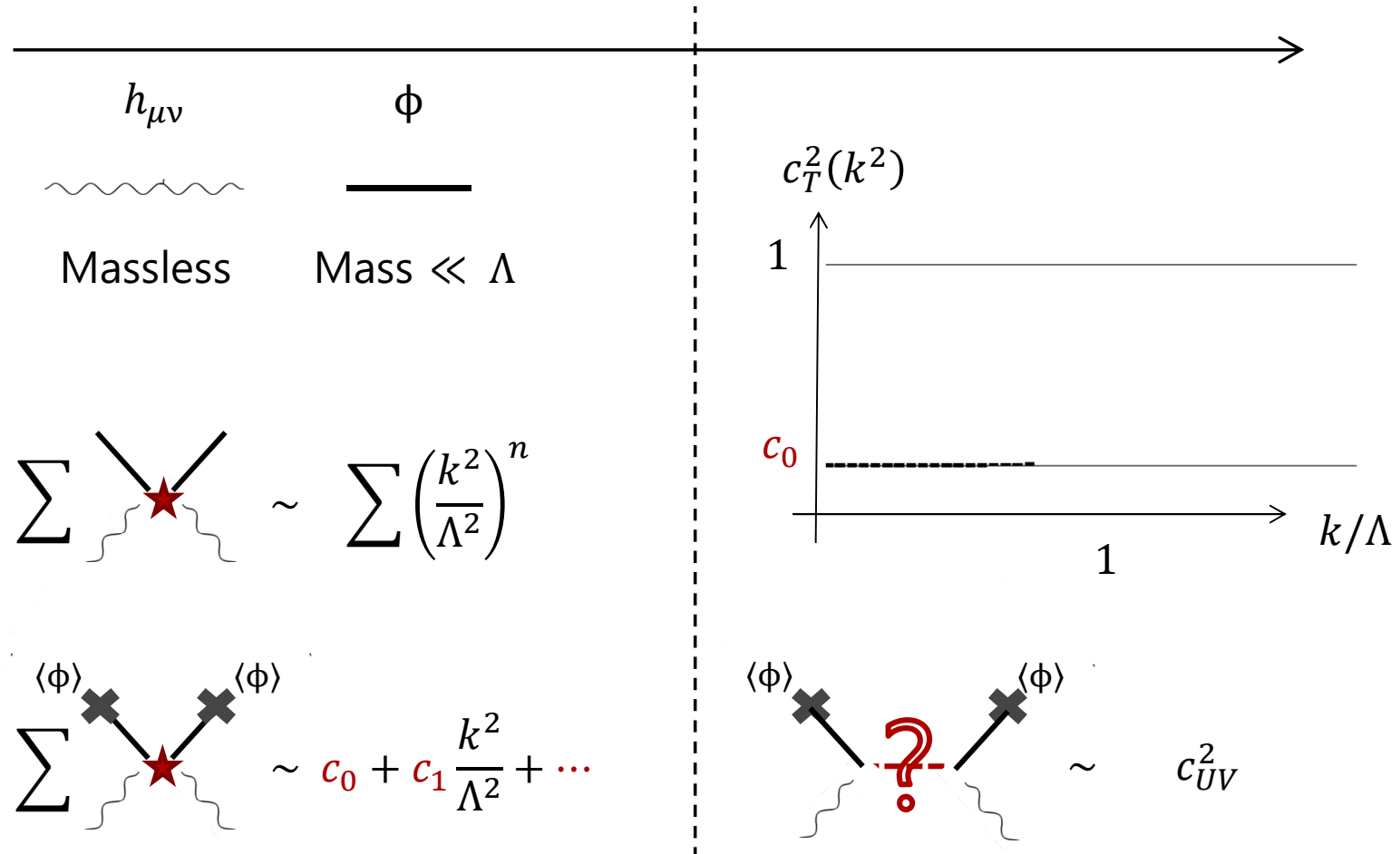




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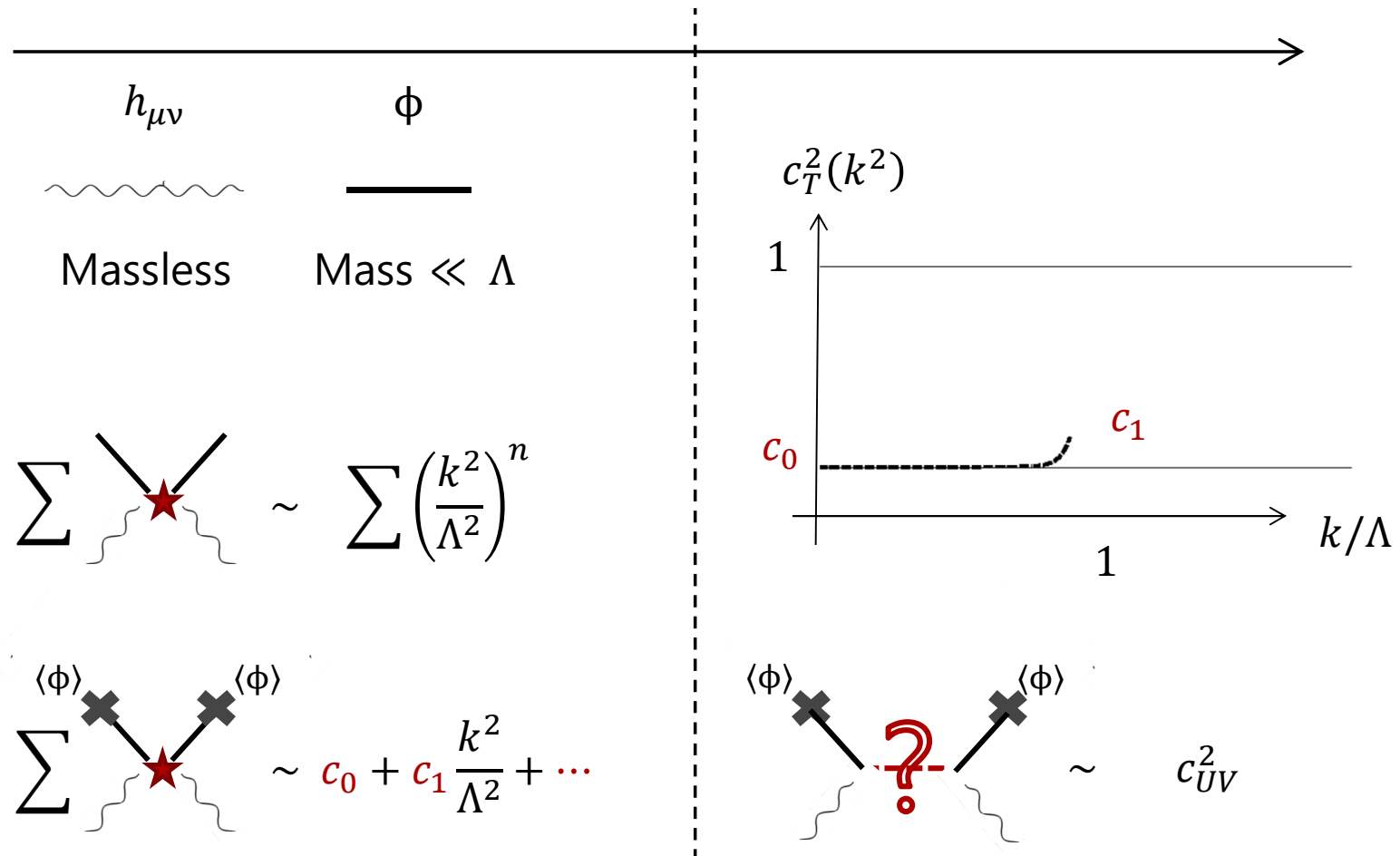
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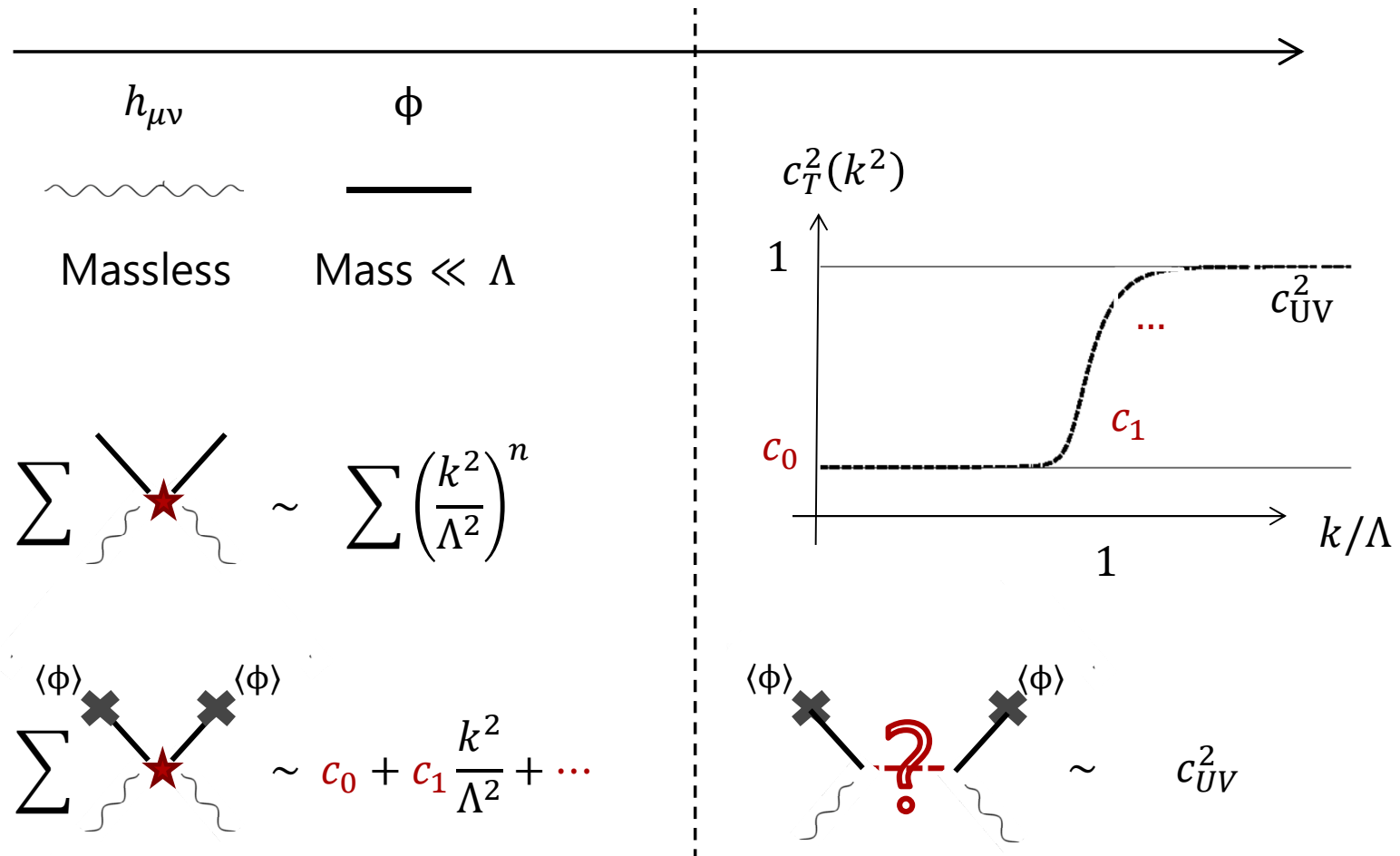
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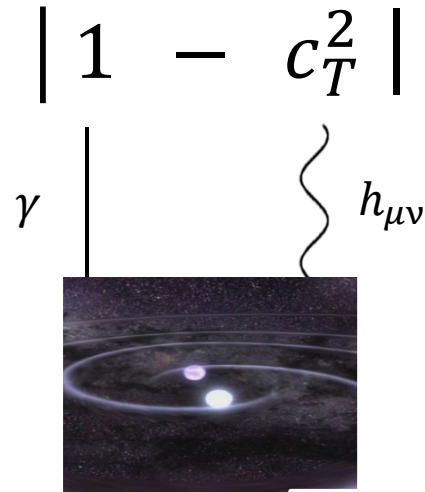
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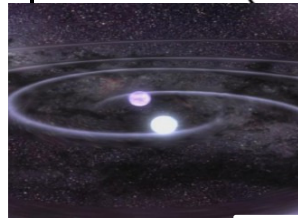
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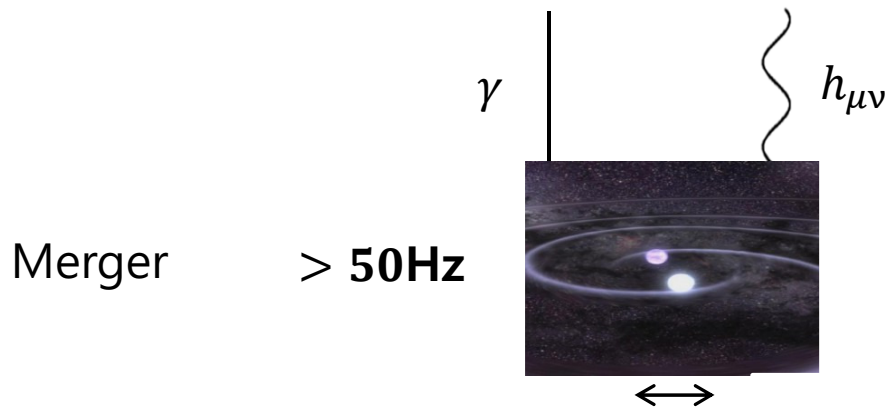


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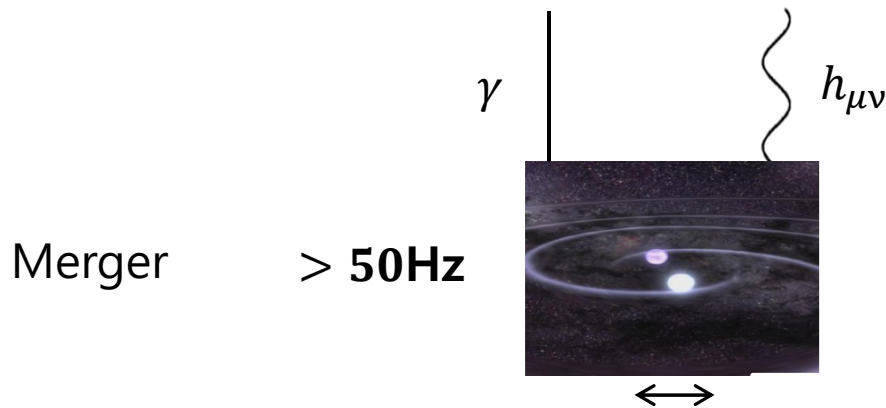
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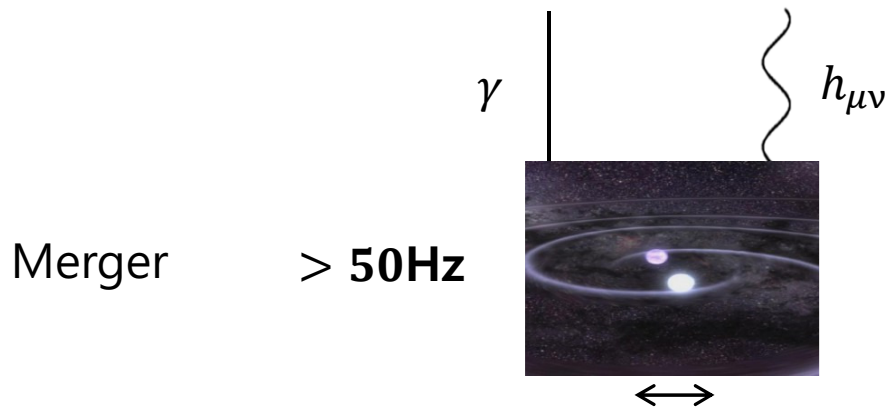
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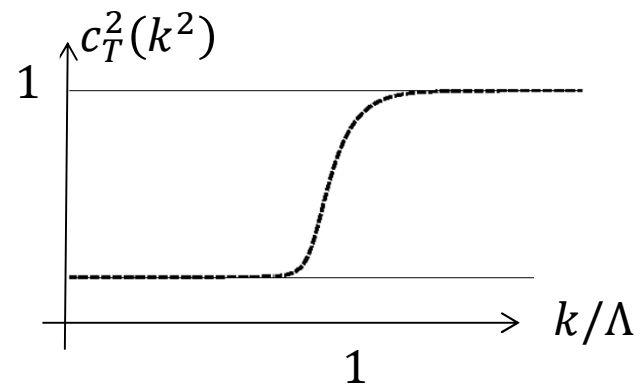
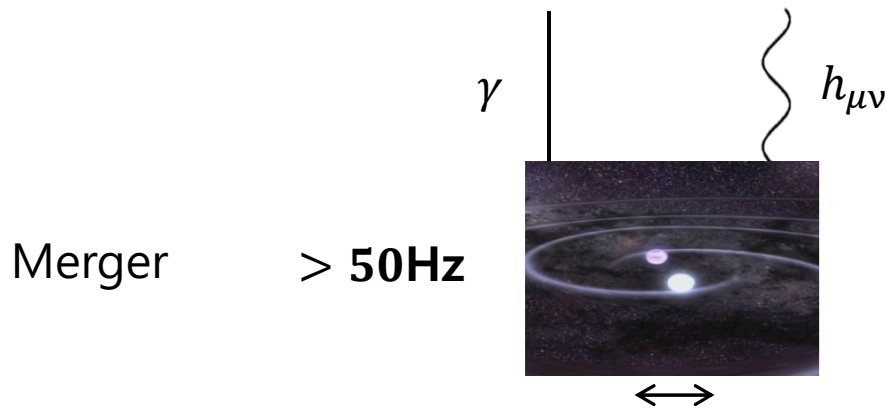
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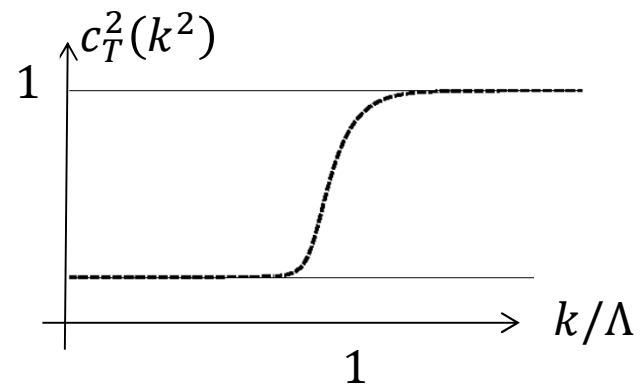
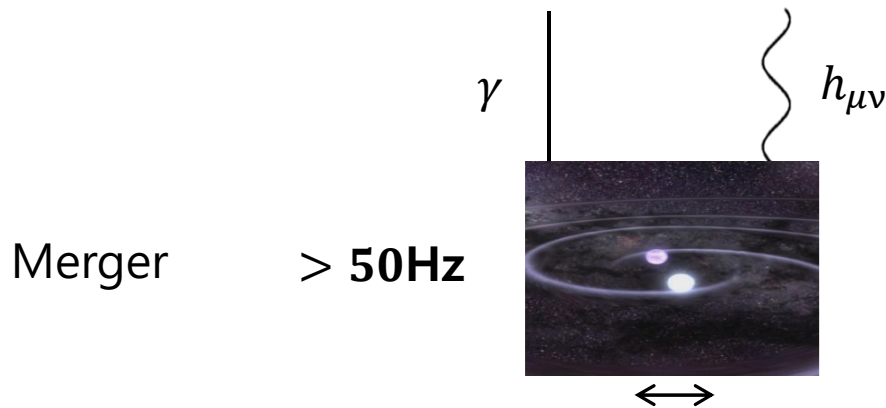
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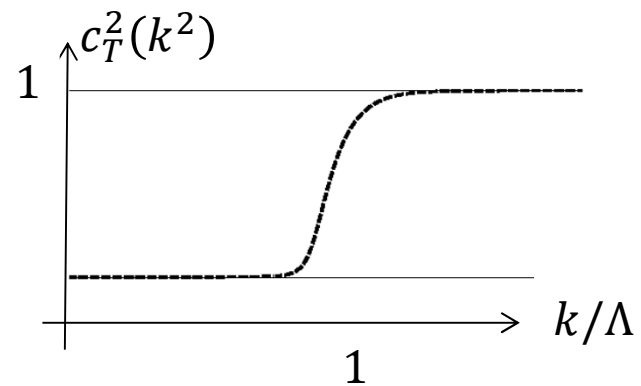
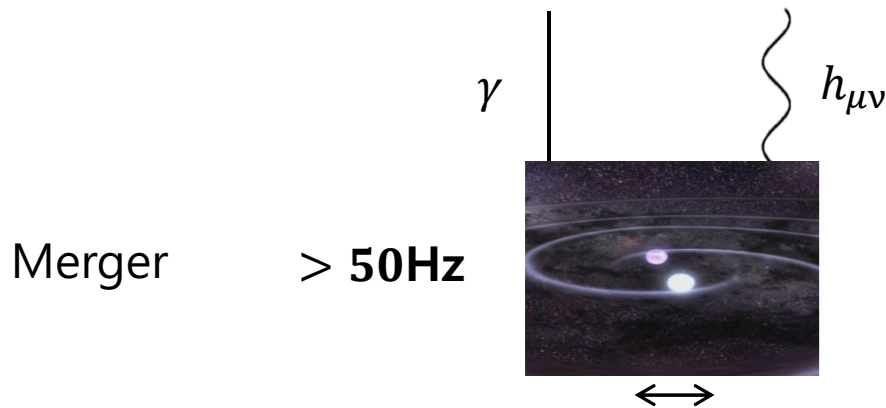


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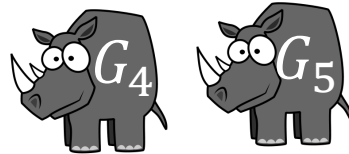
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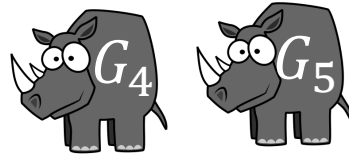
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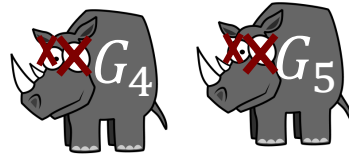
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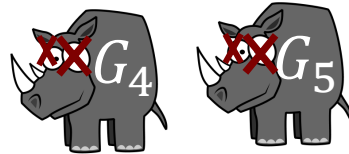
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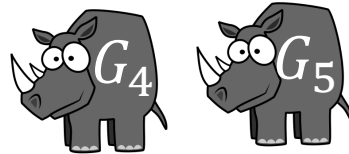
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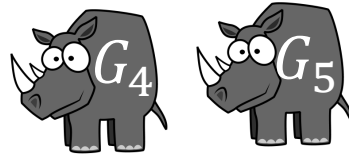
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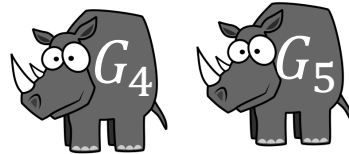
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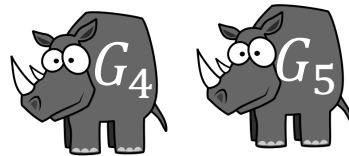
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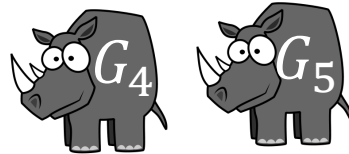
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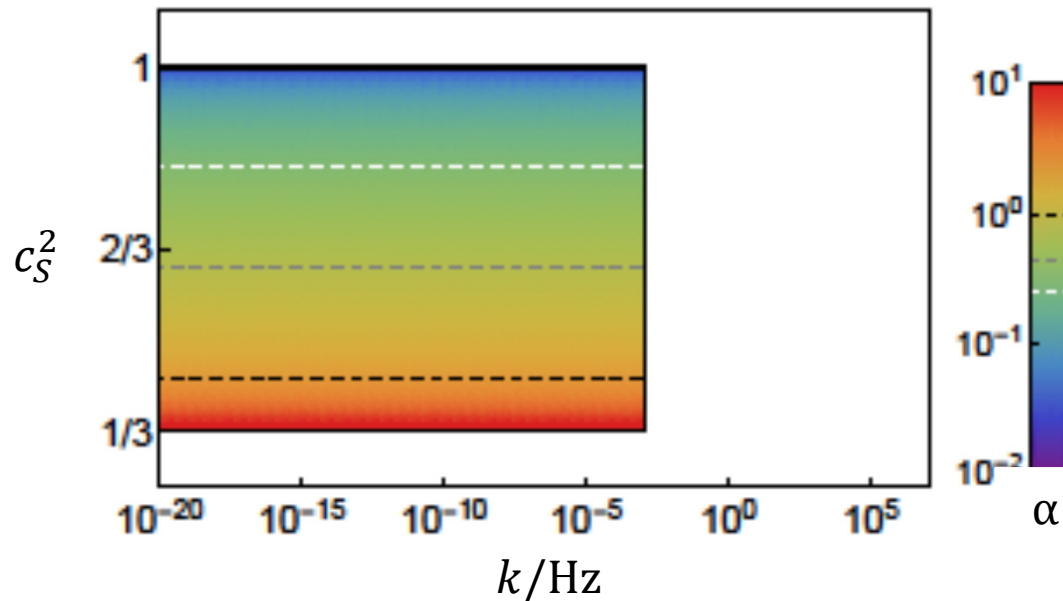
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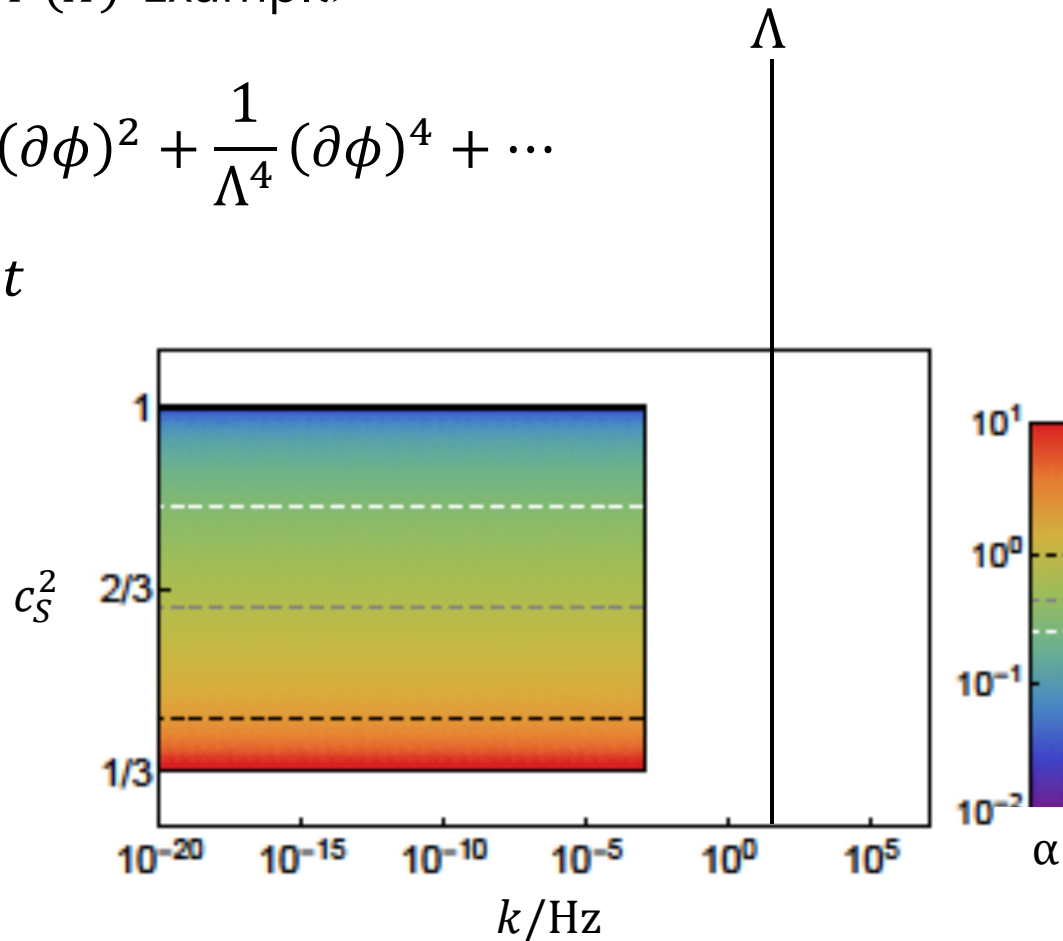


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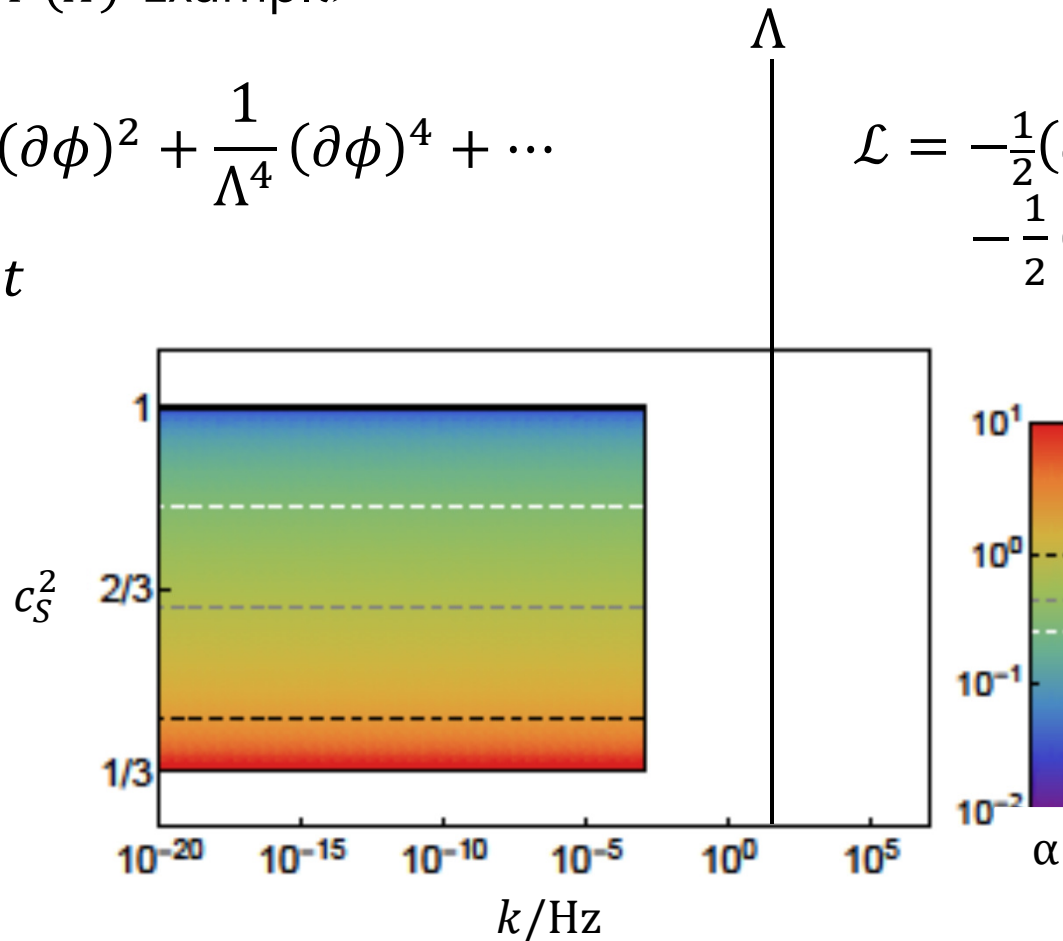
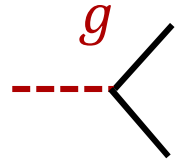
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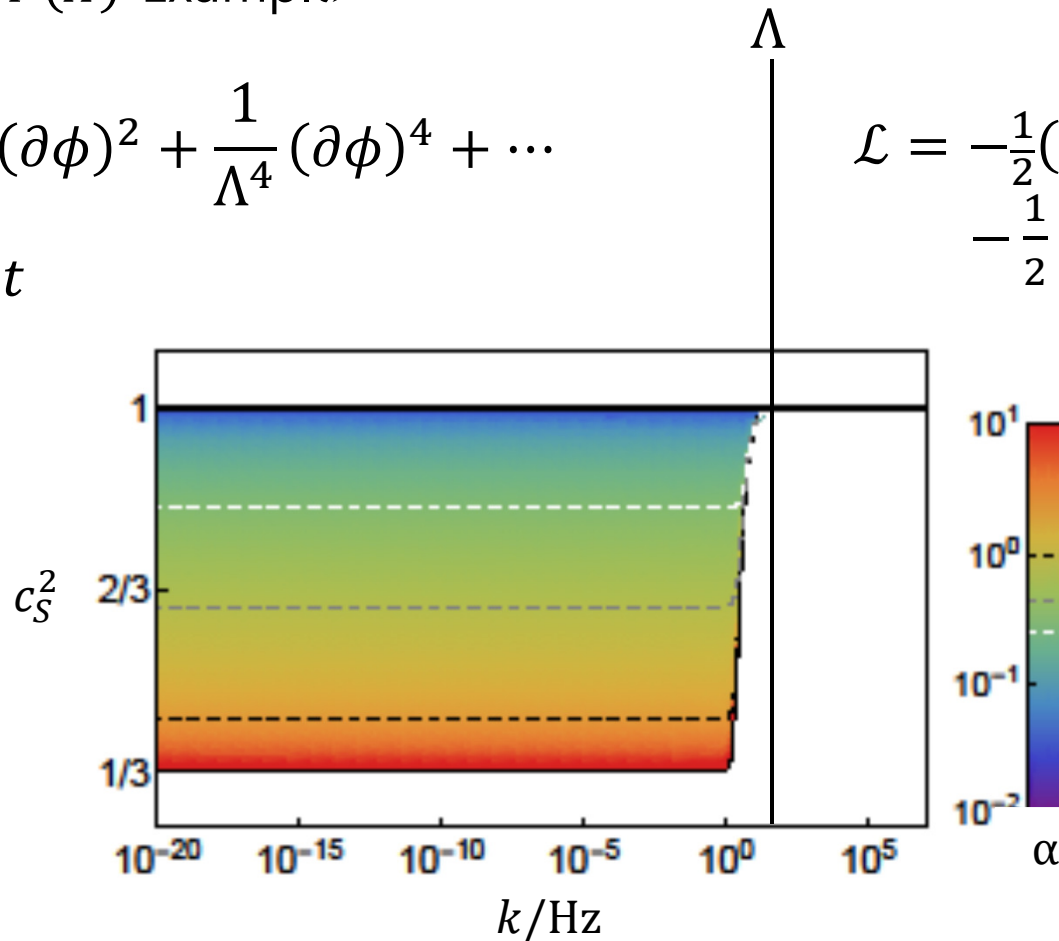
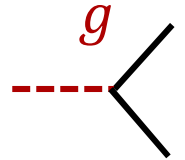
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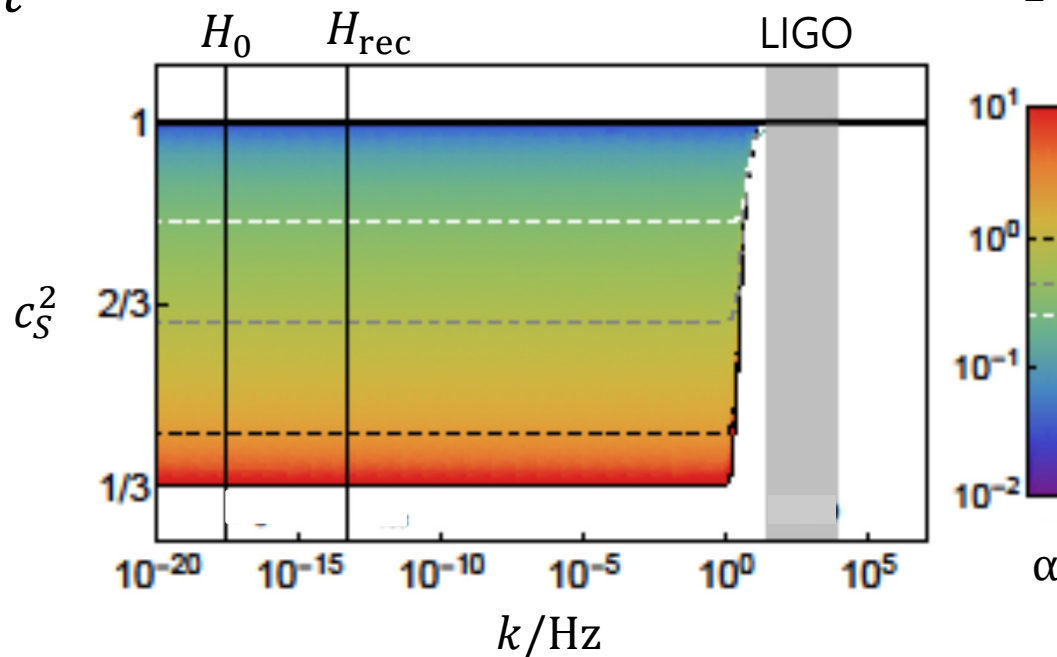
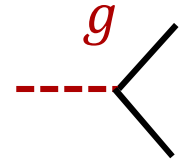
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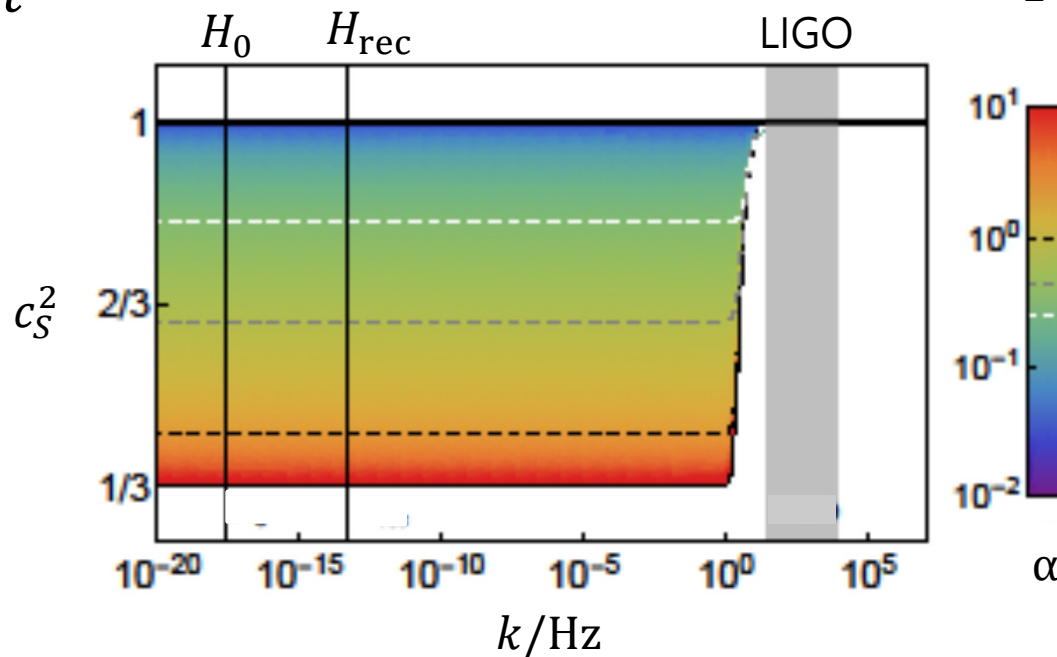
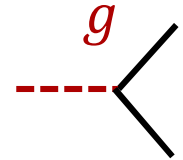
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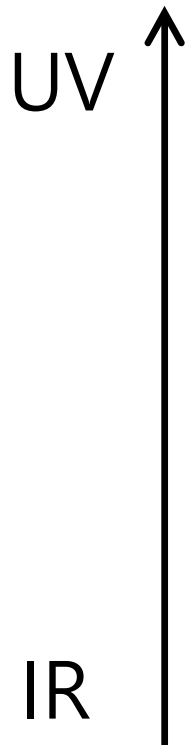
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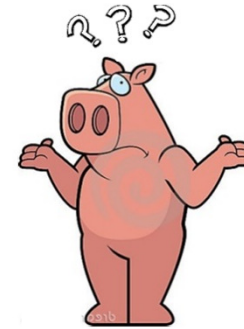
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Positivity Constraints



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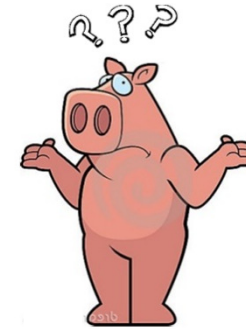
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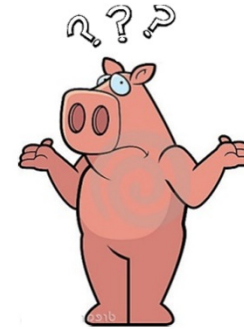
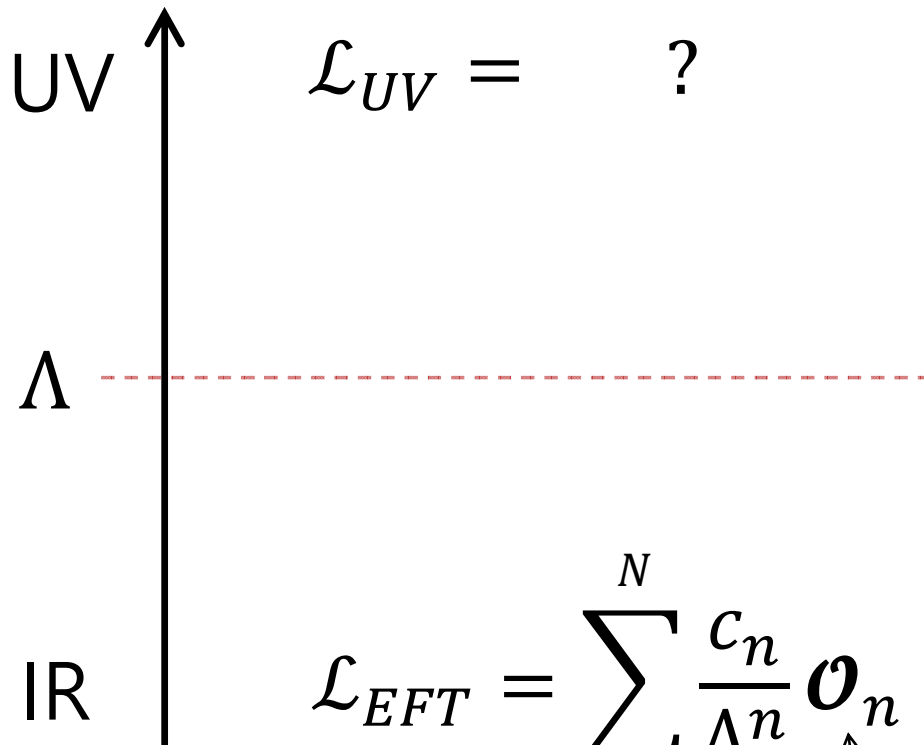


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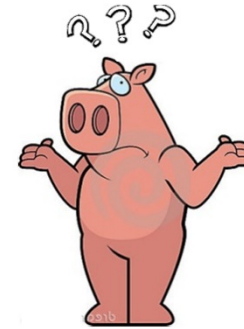


Finite Number of
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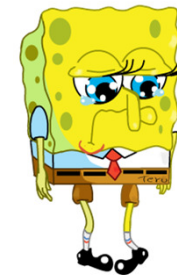
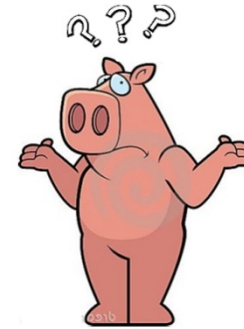


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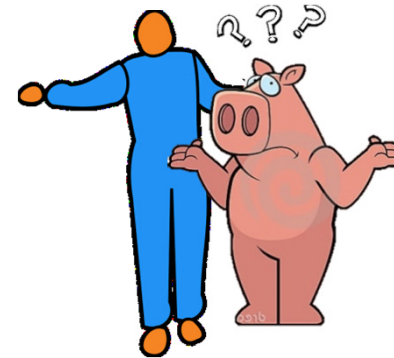


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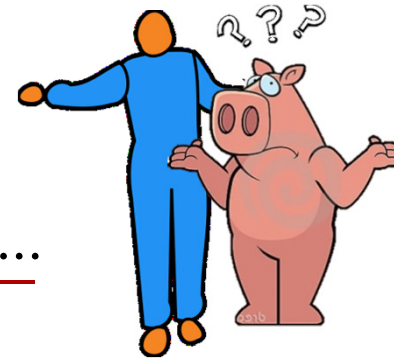


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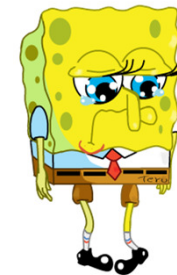
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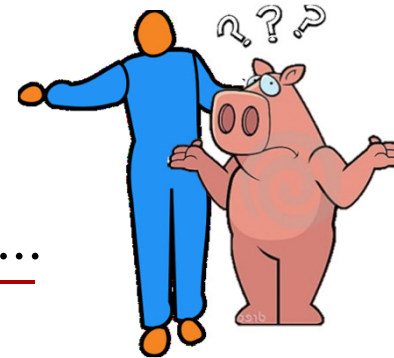
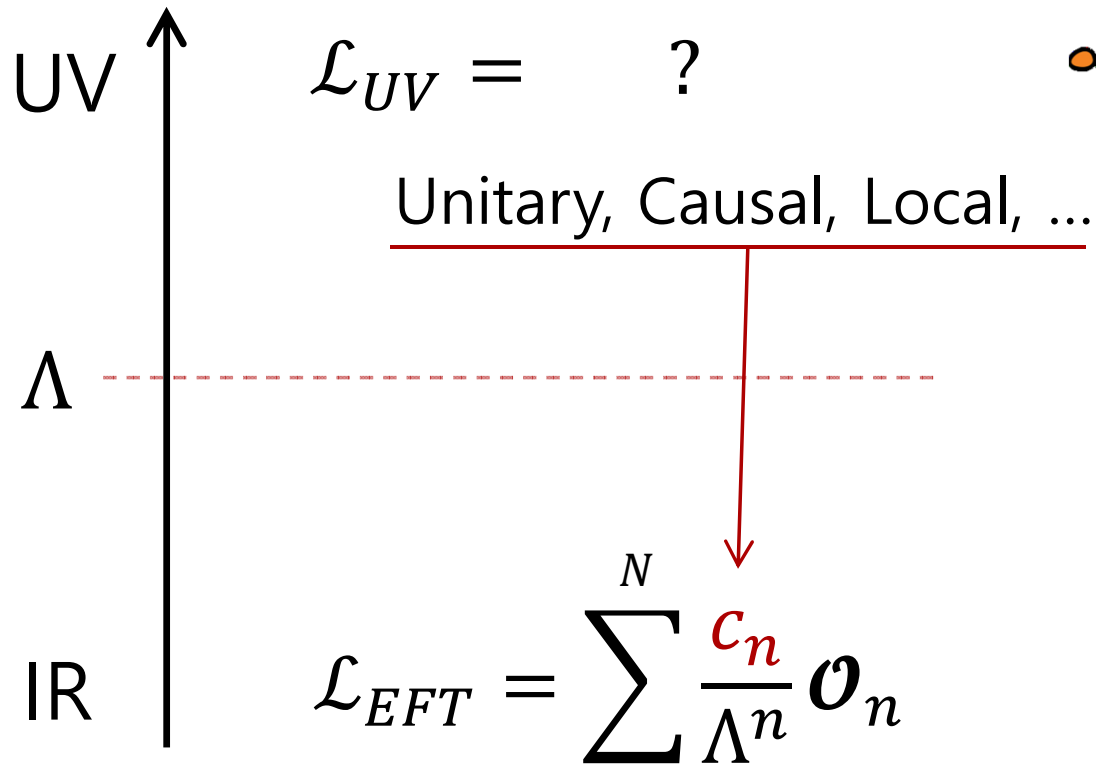
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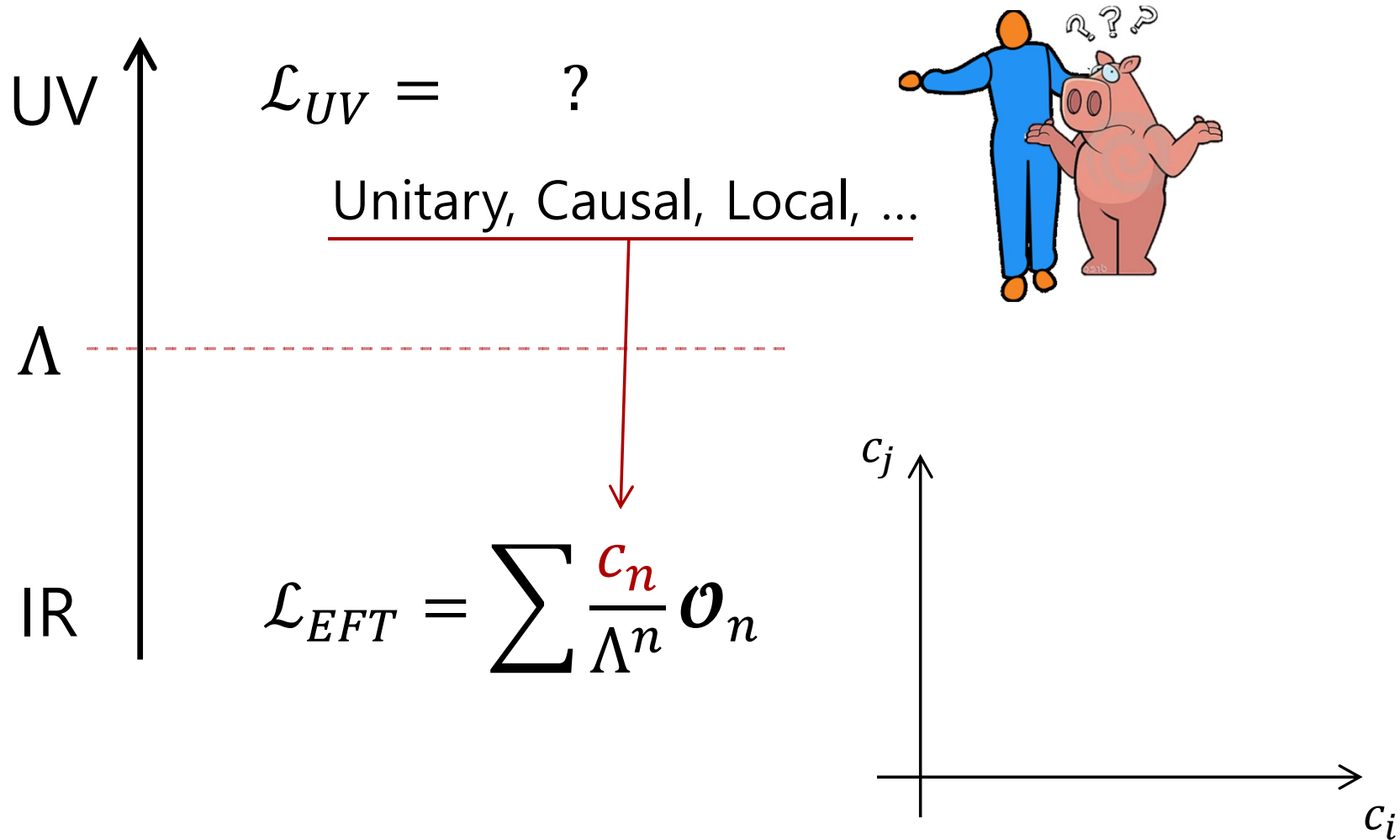
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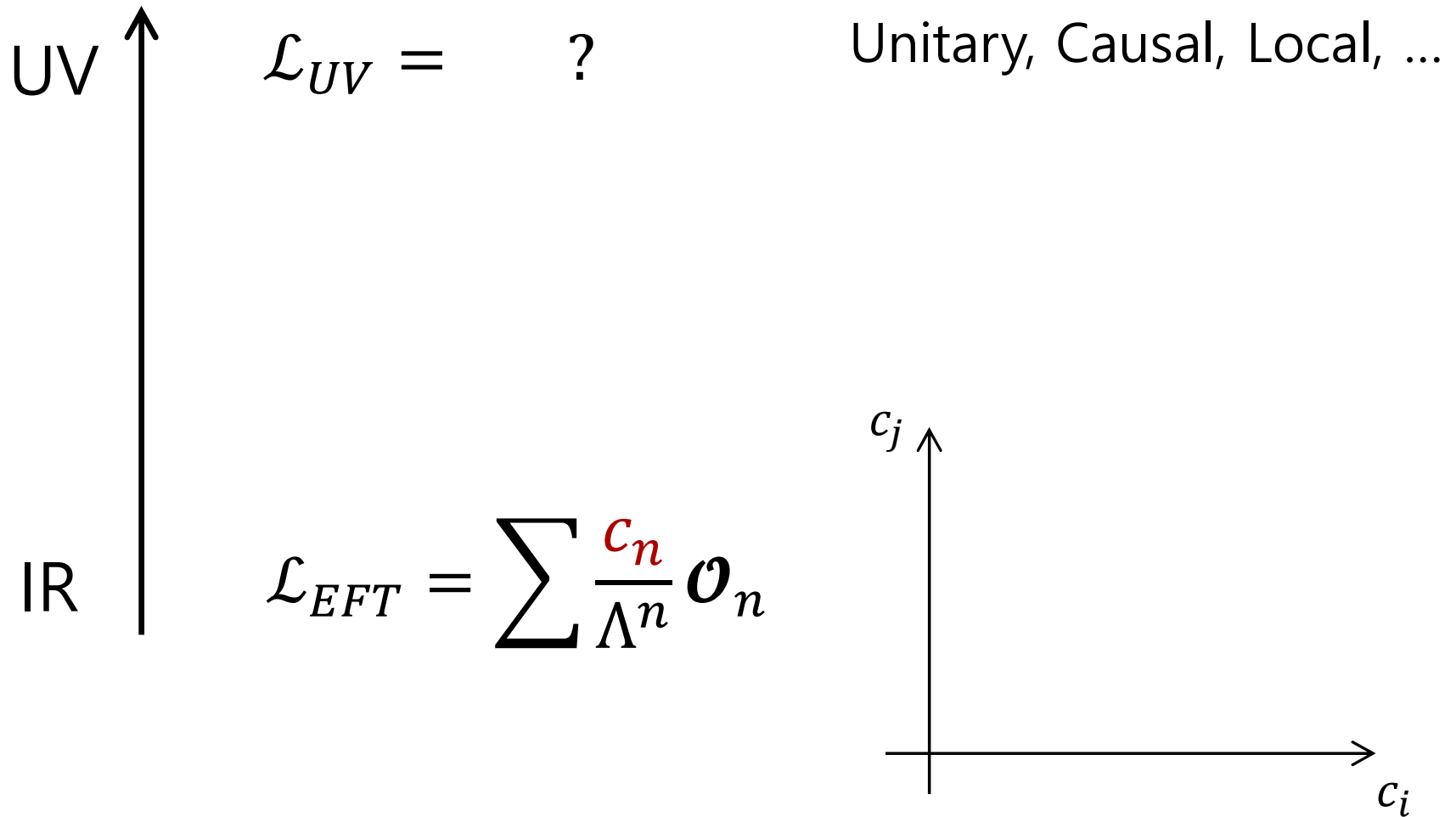


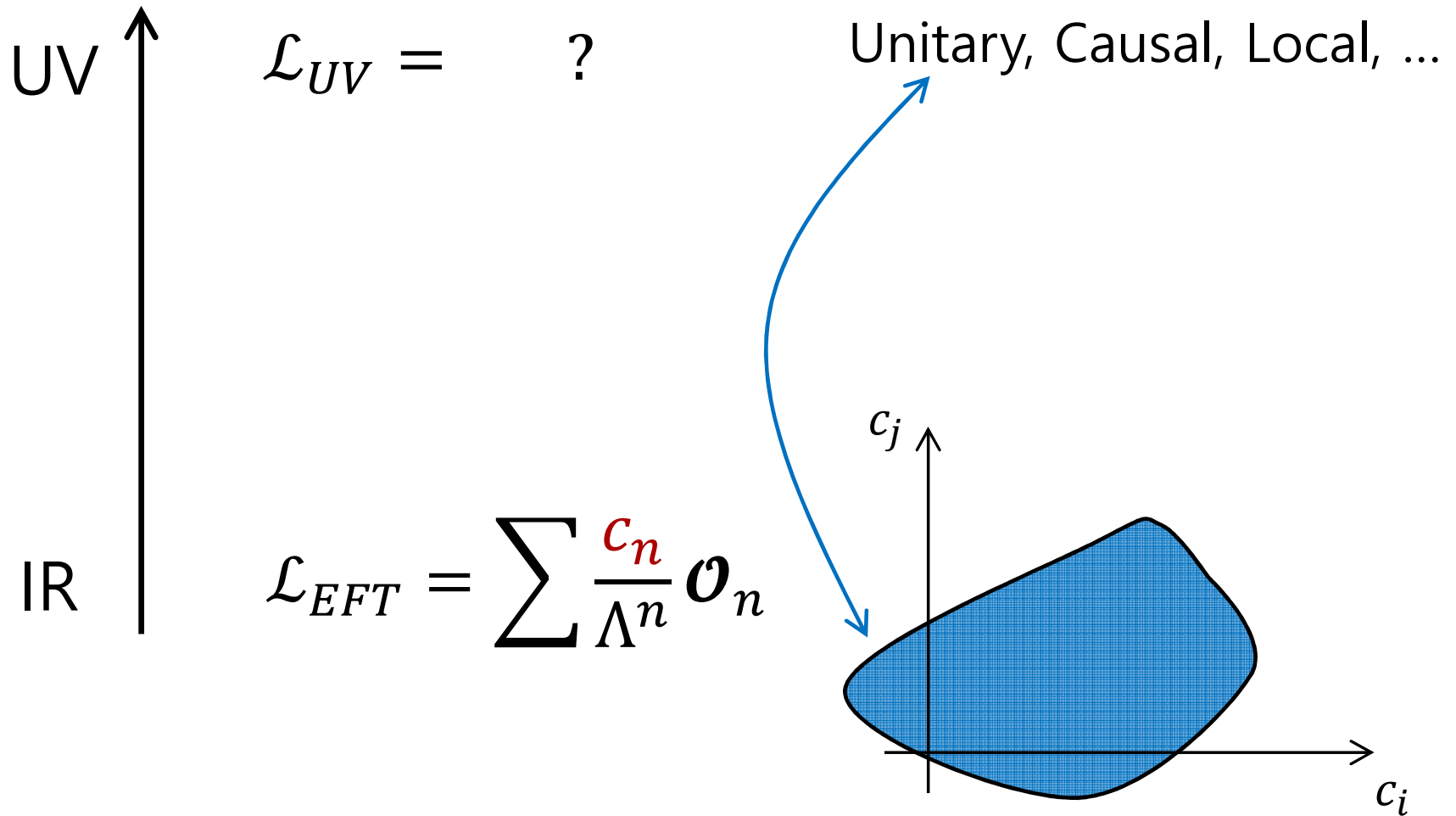
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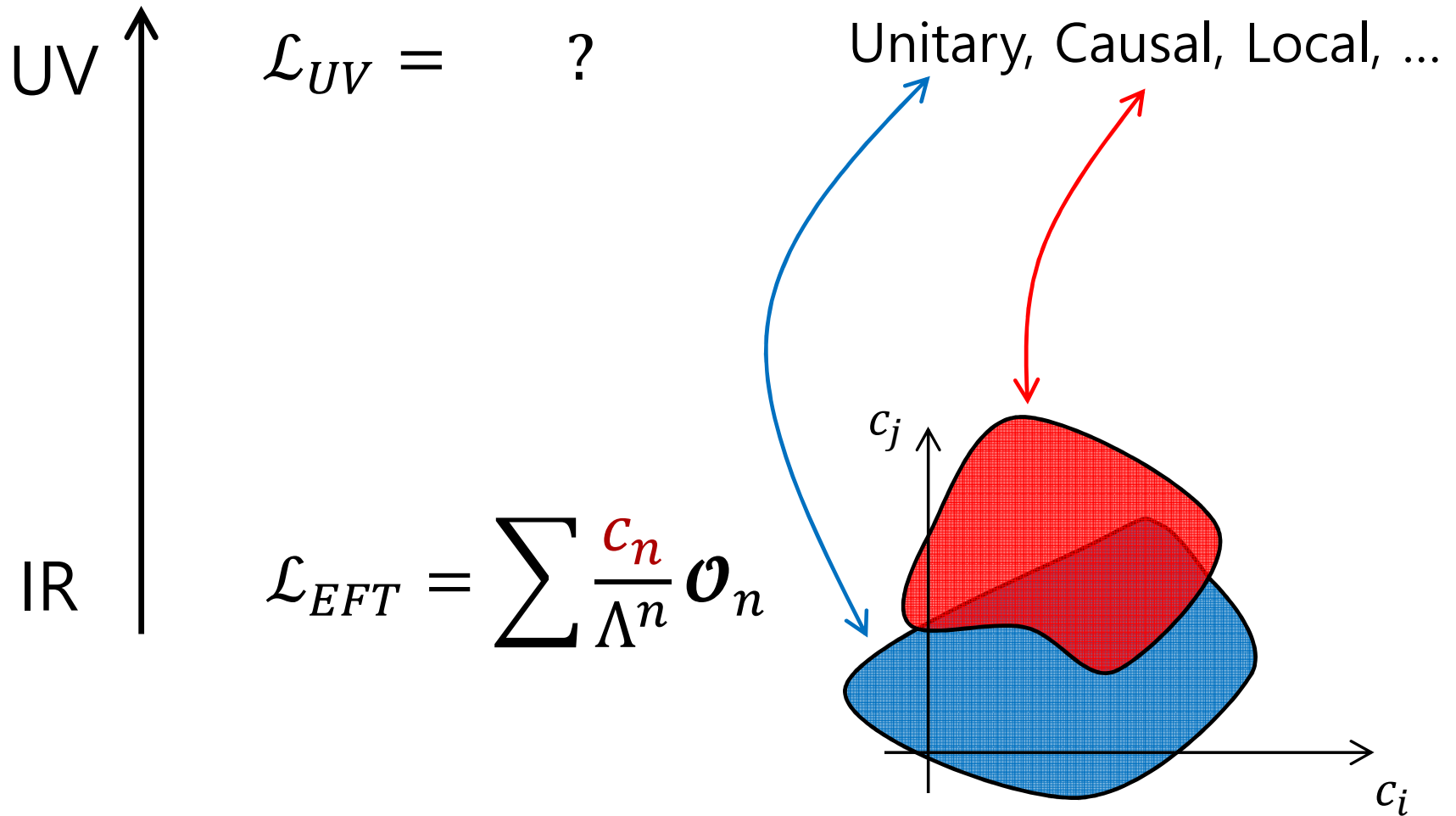


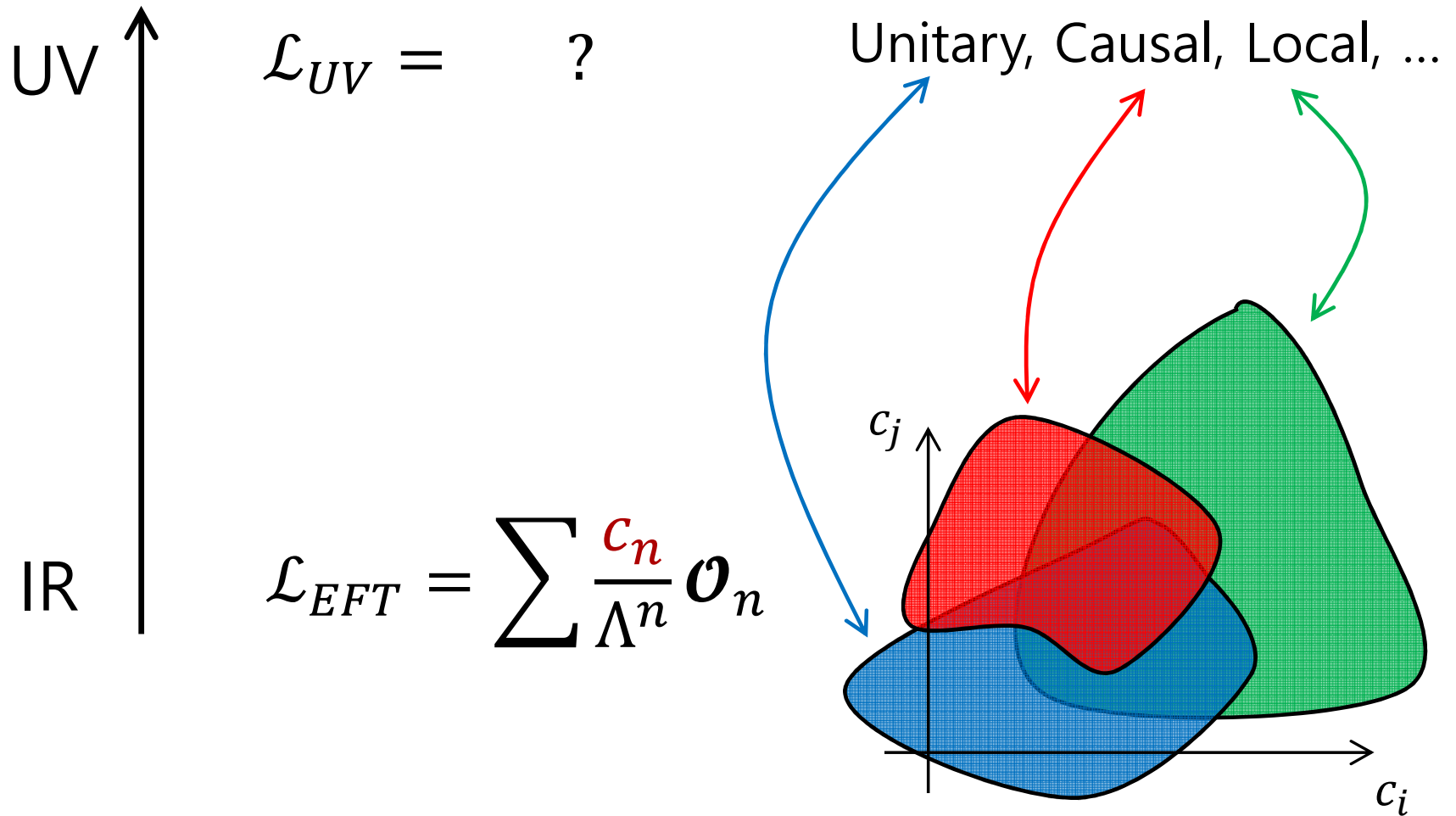
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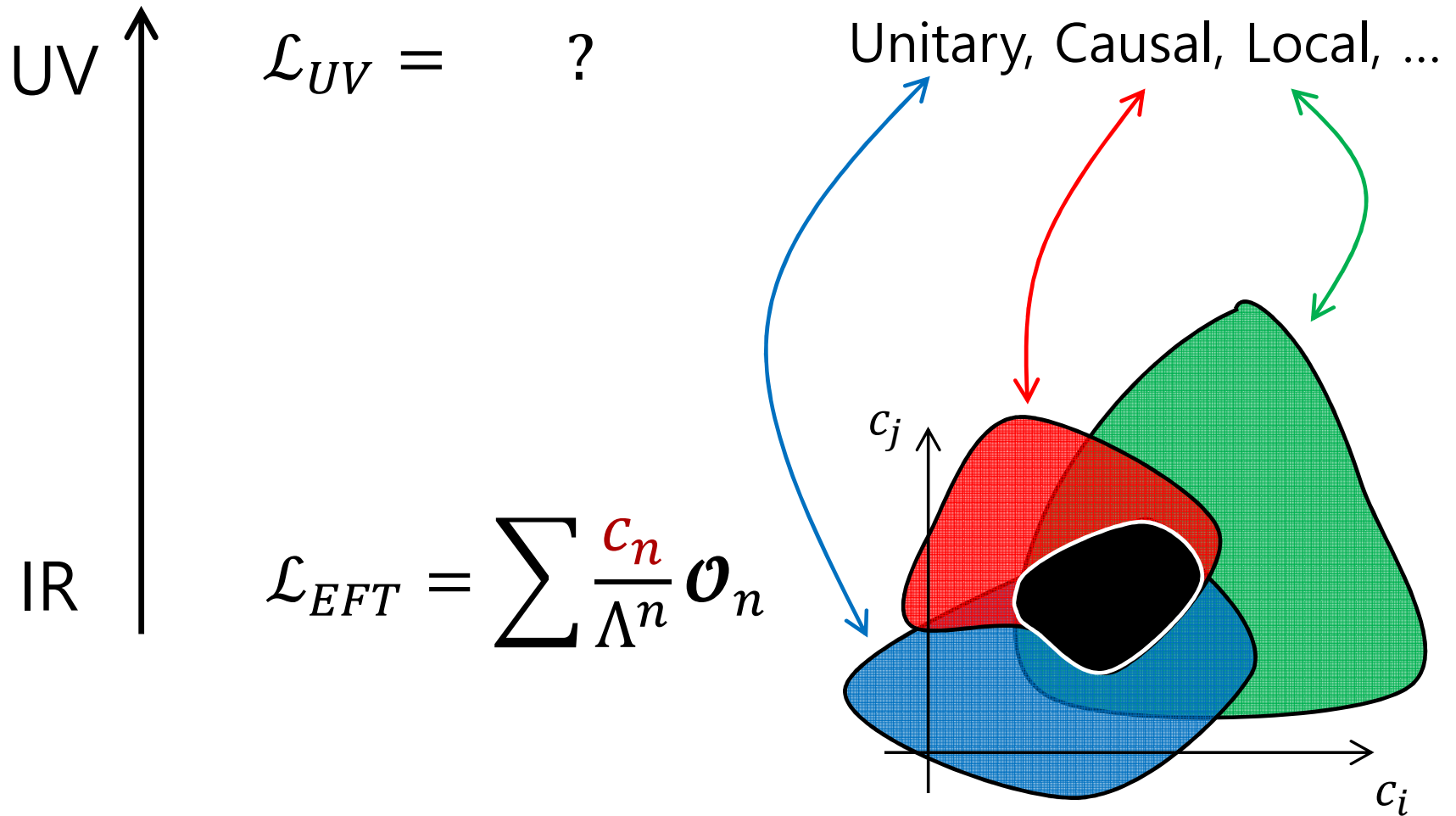


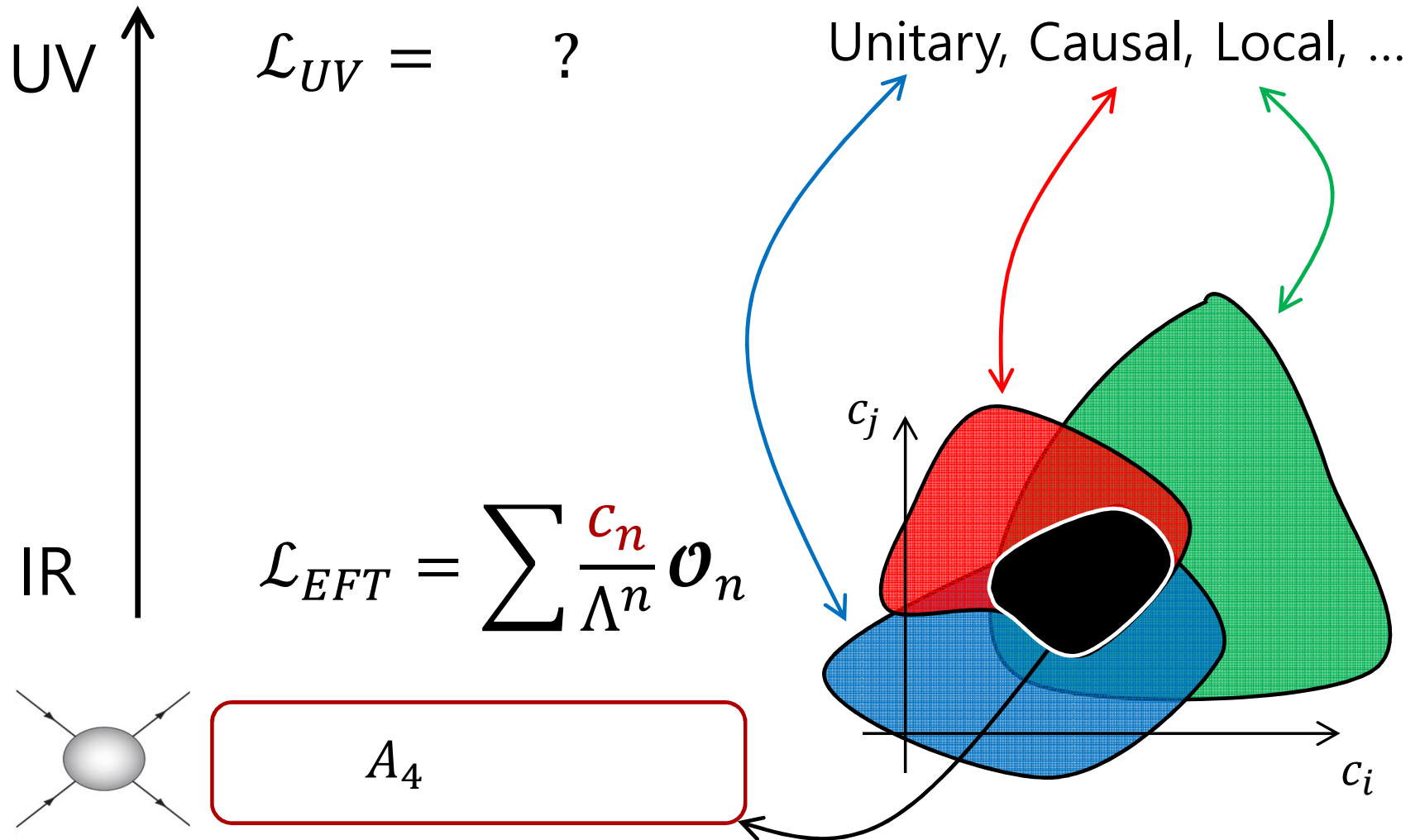


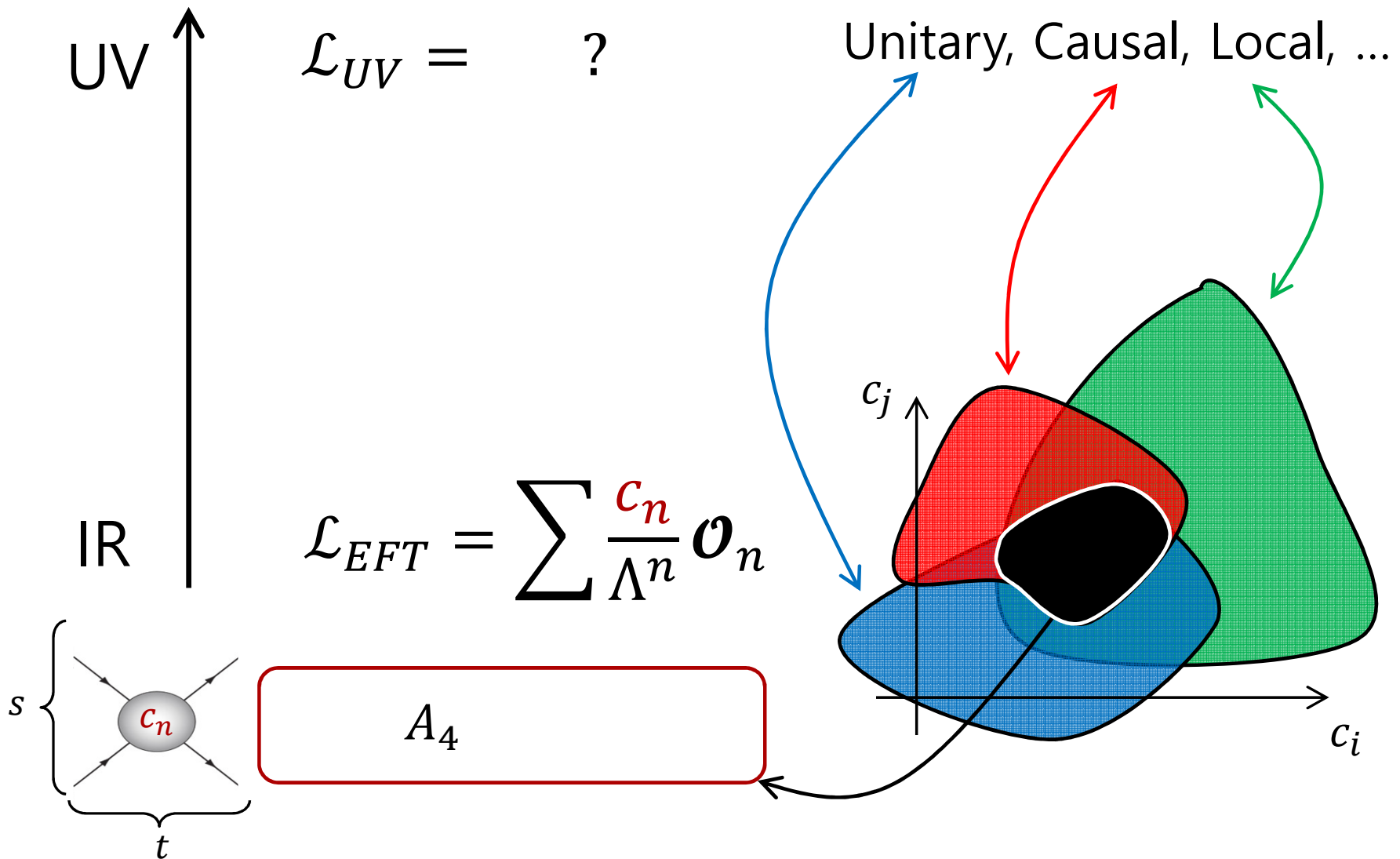


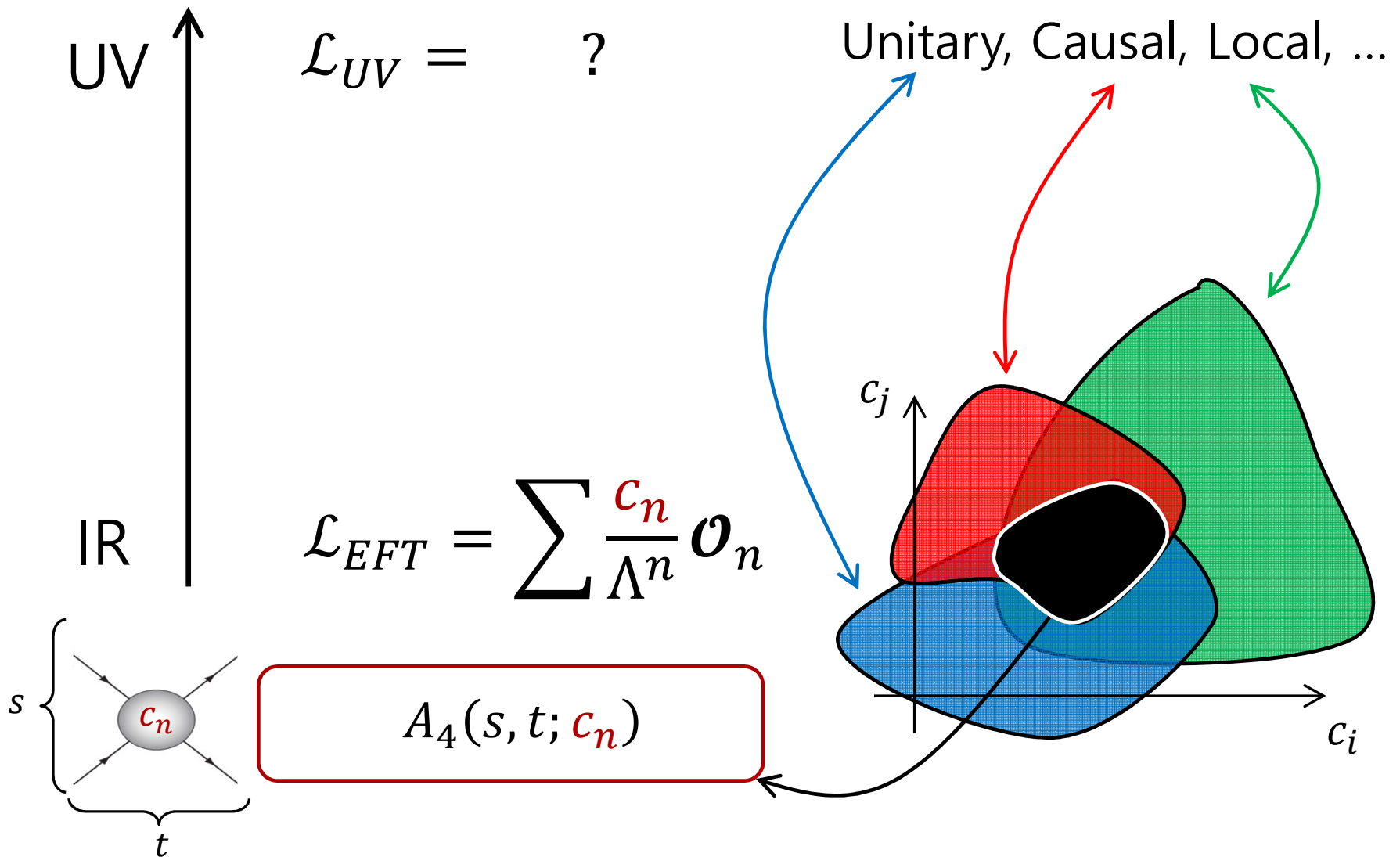


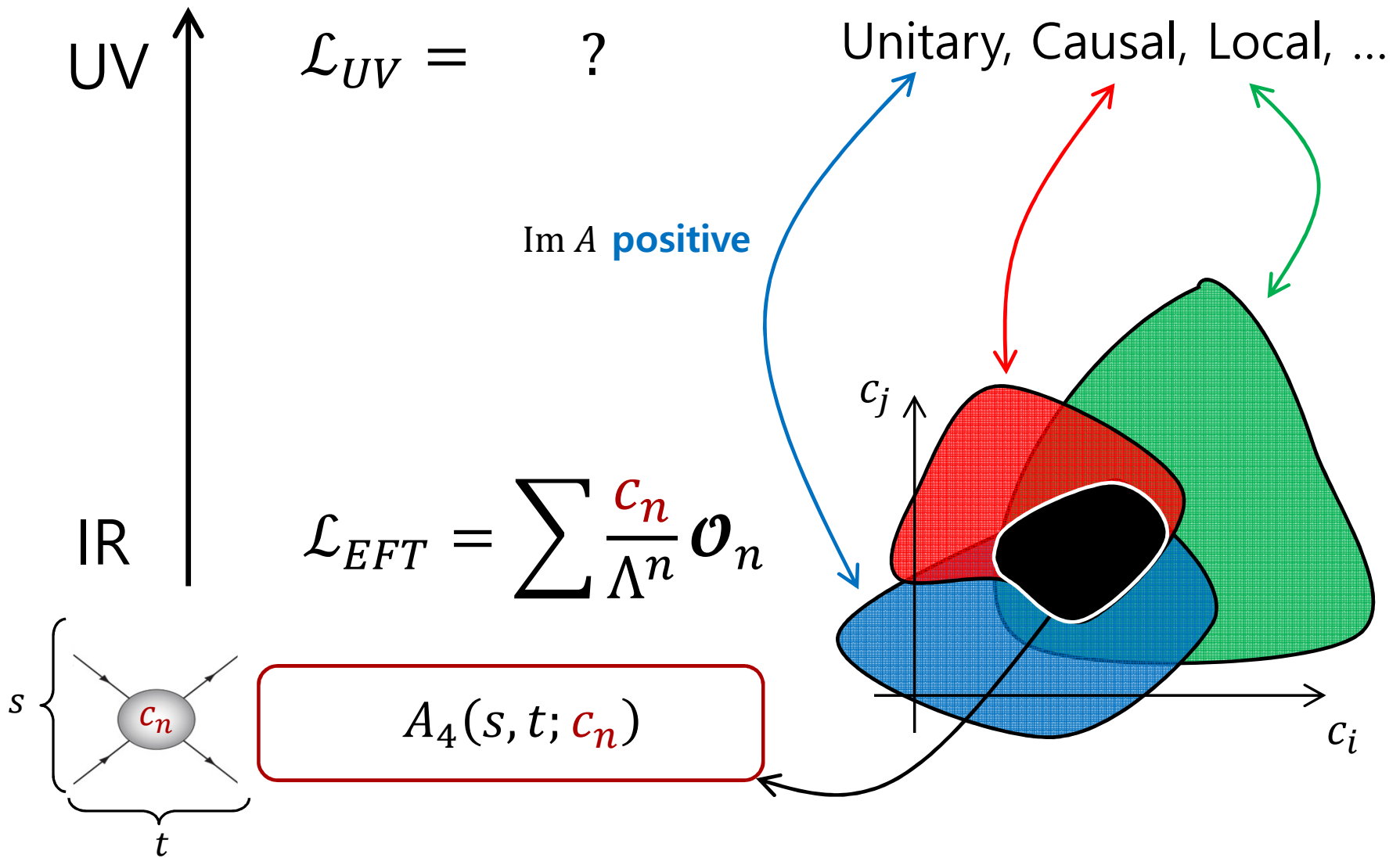


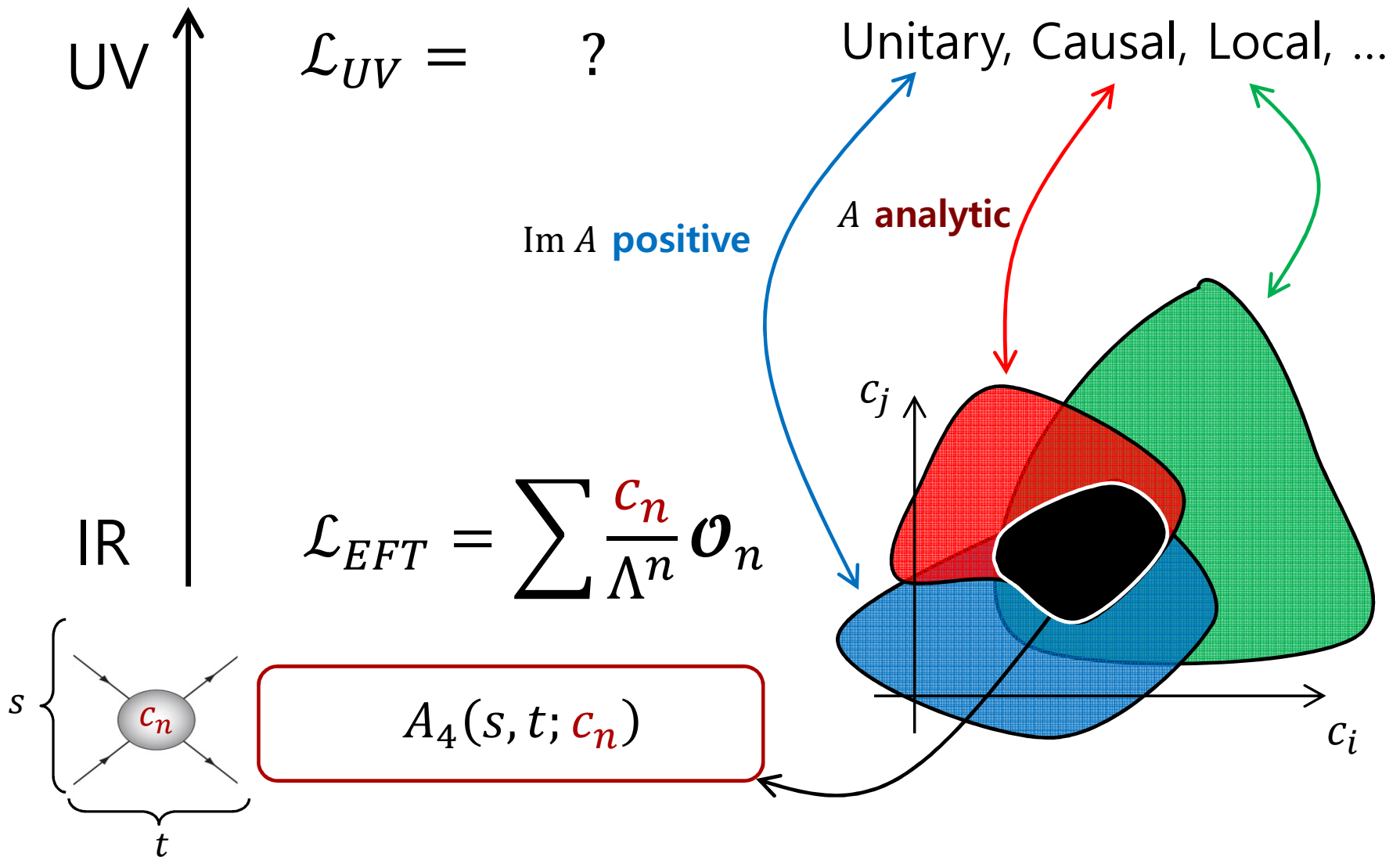


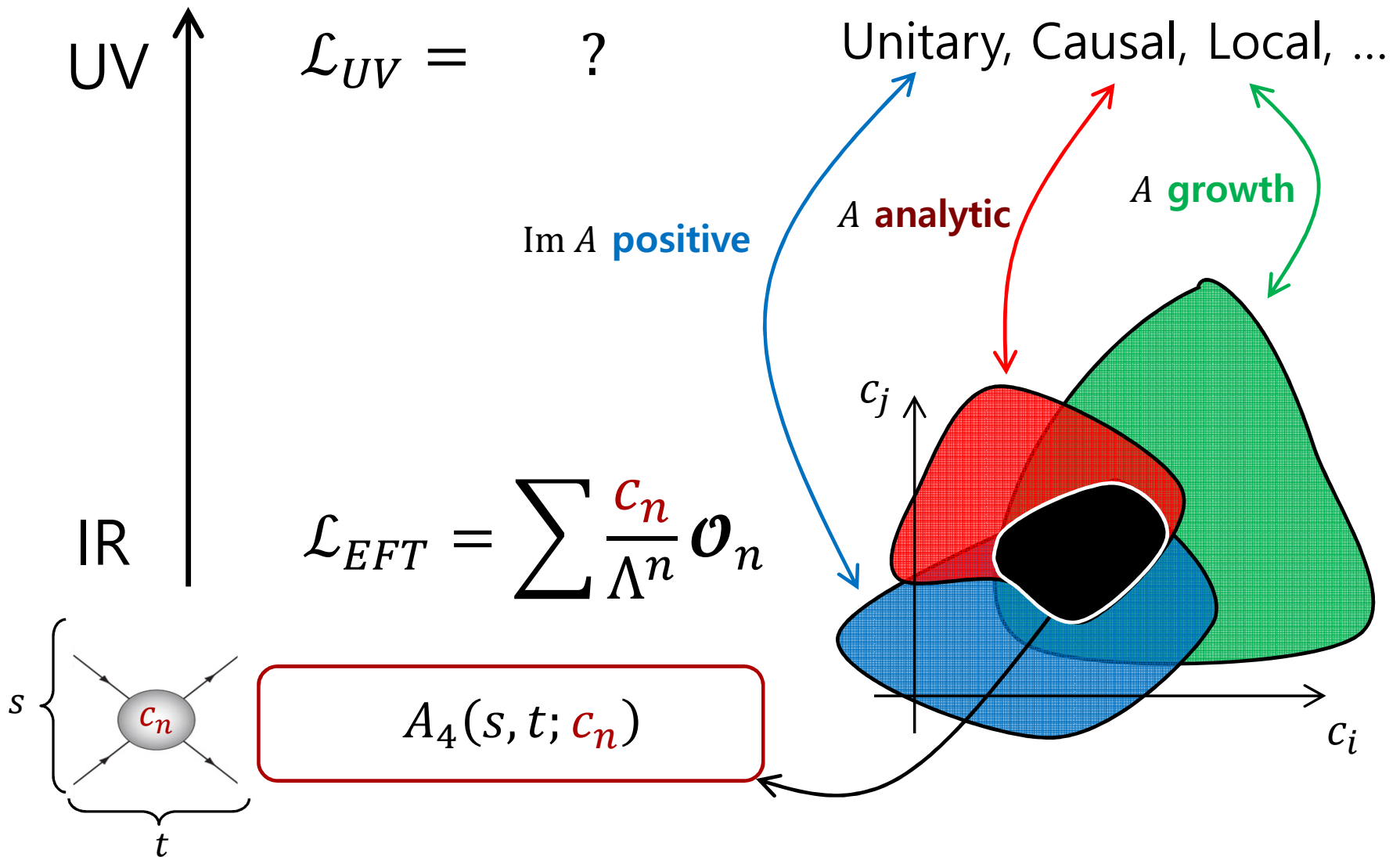


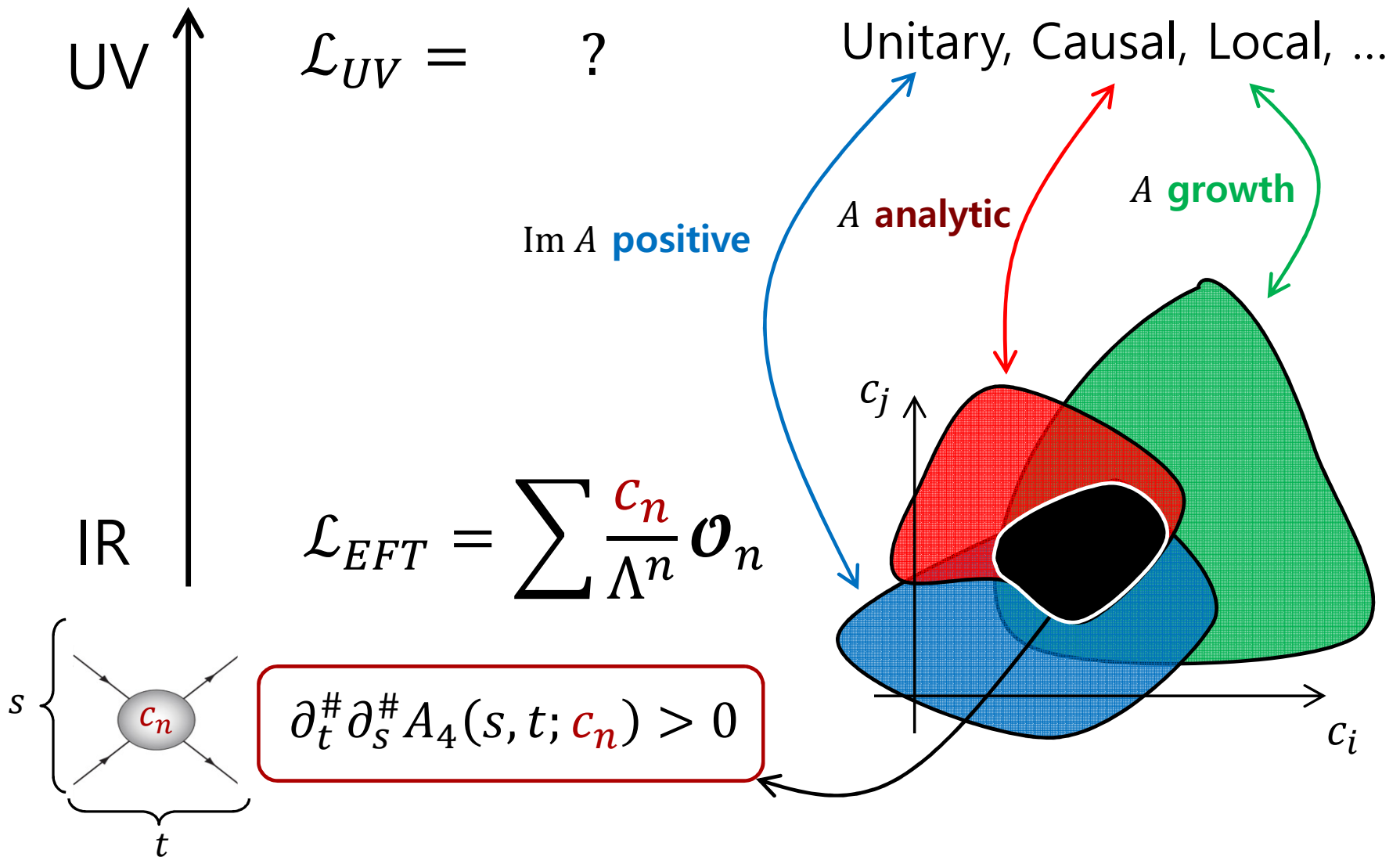


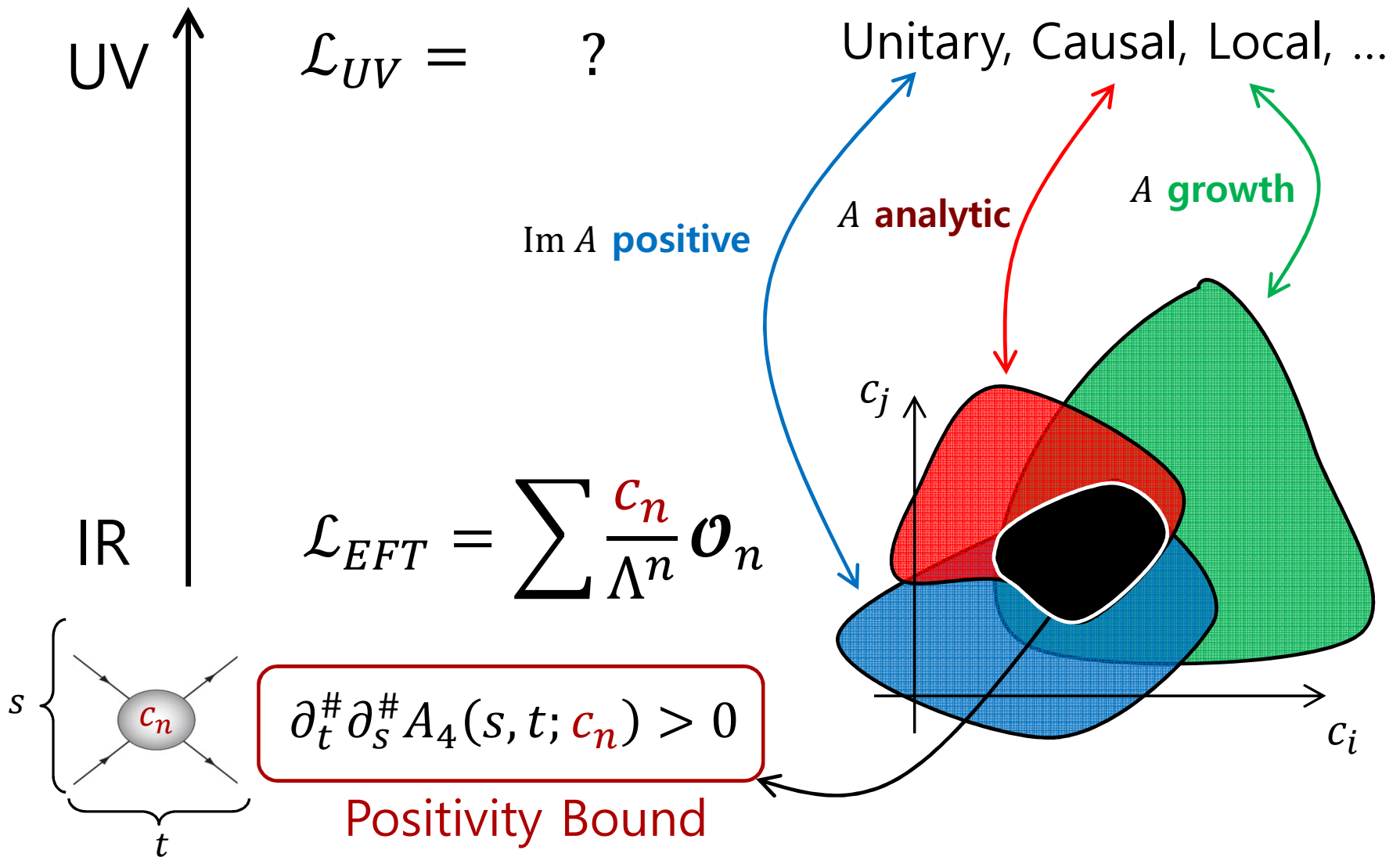




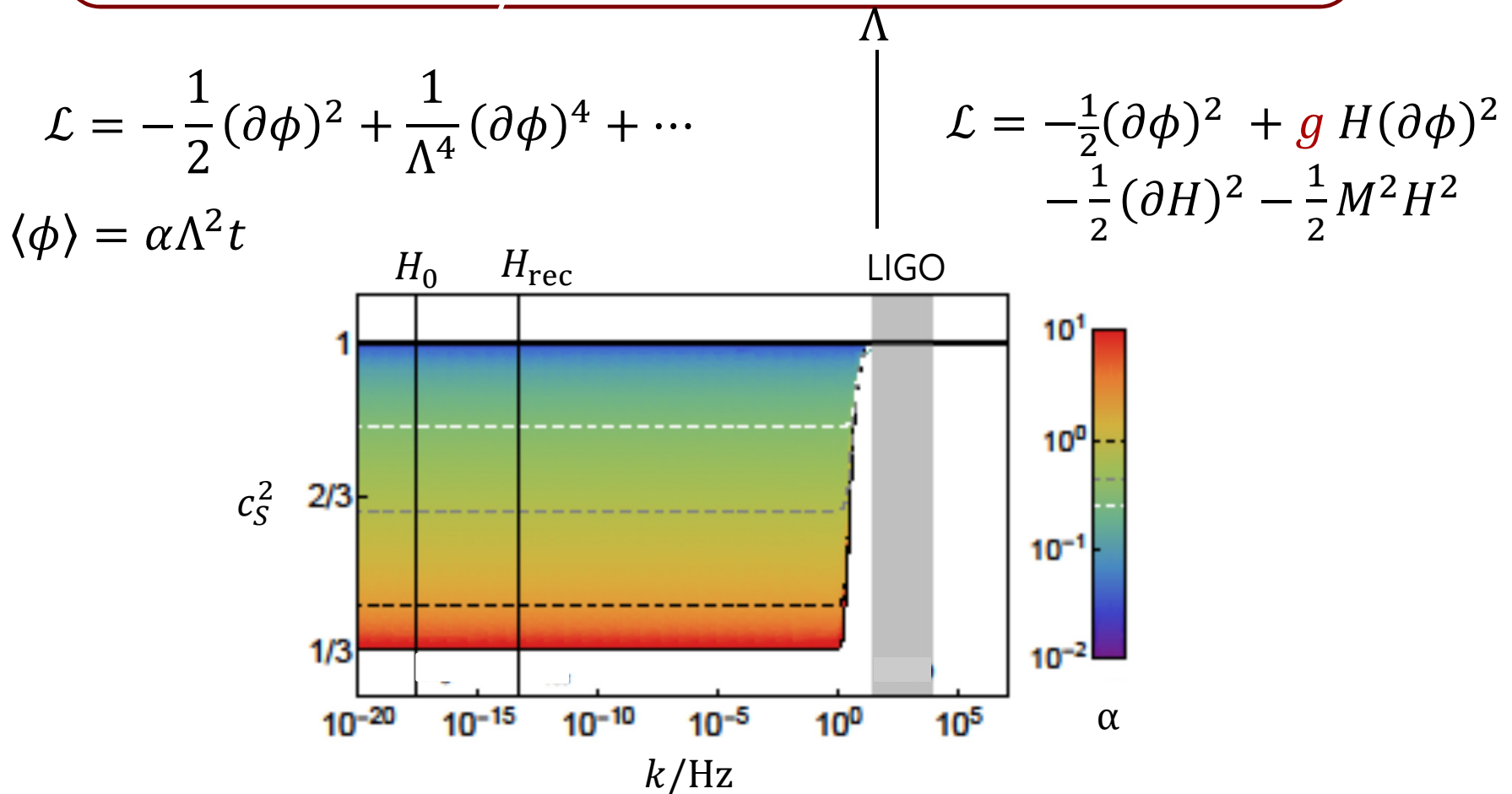




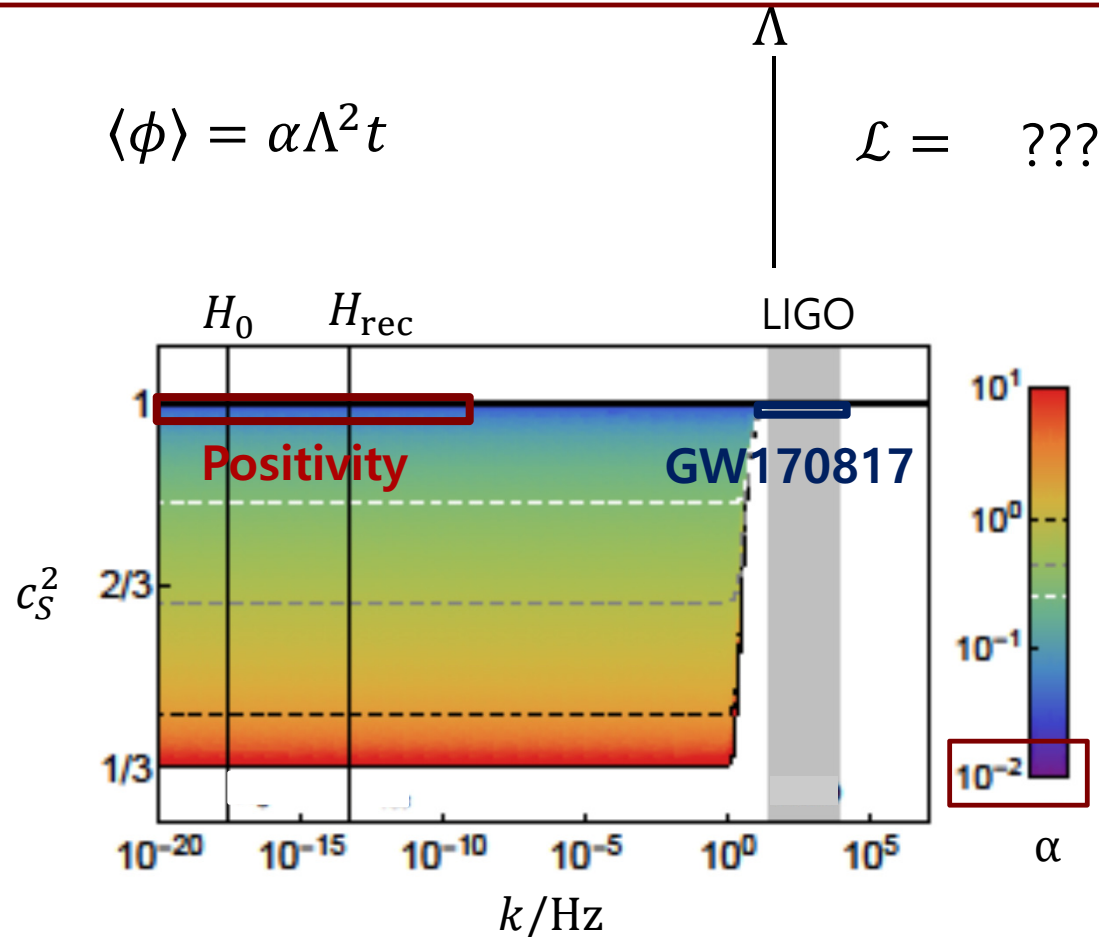




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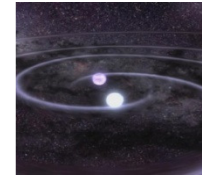
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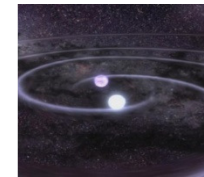
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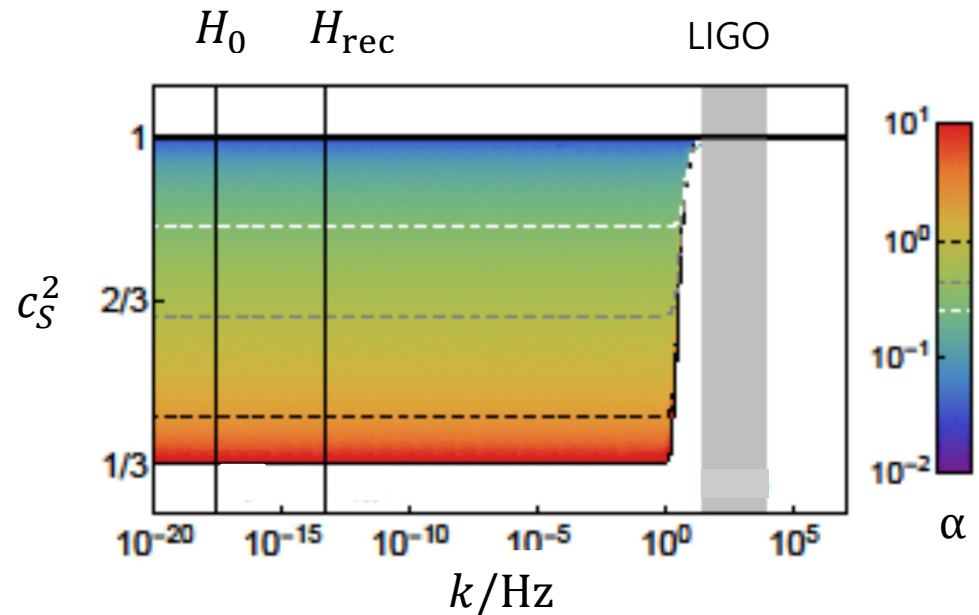
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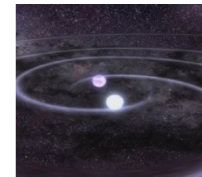
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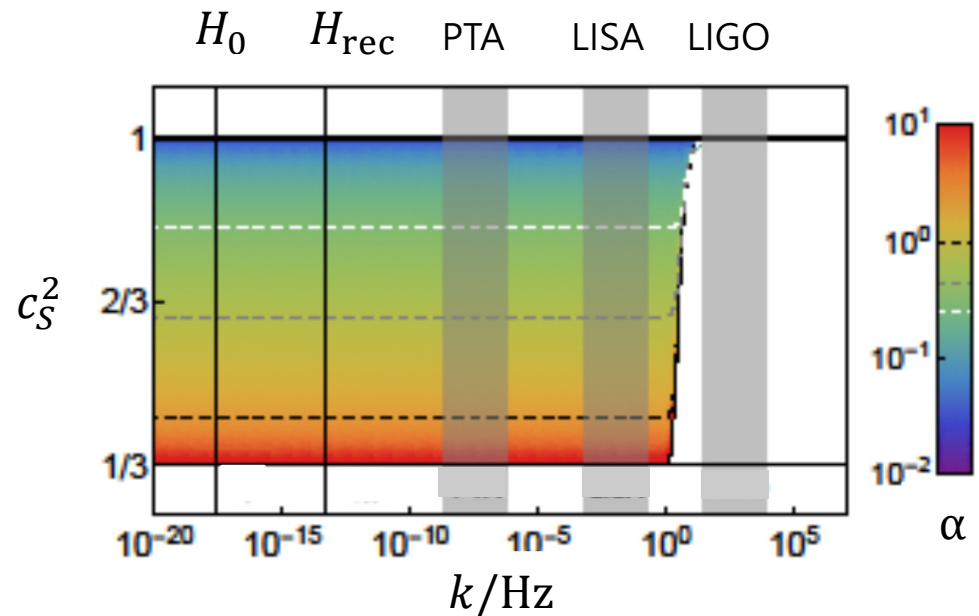
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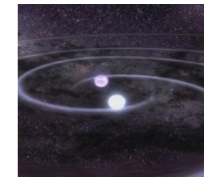
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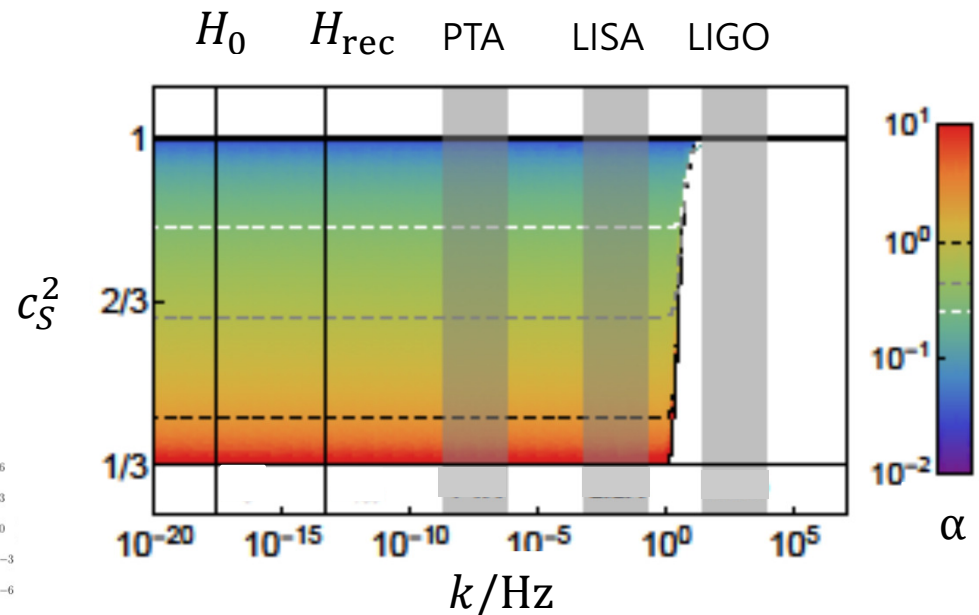
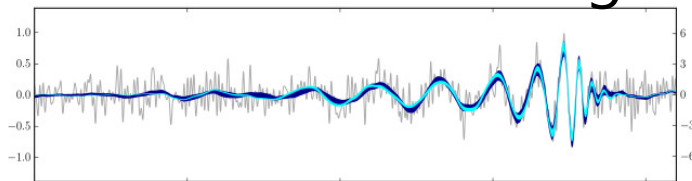
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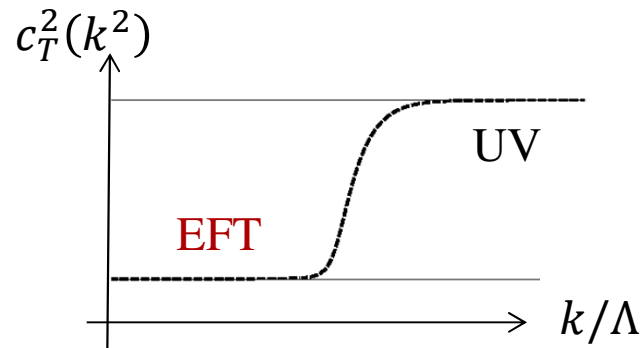
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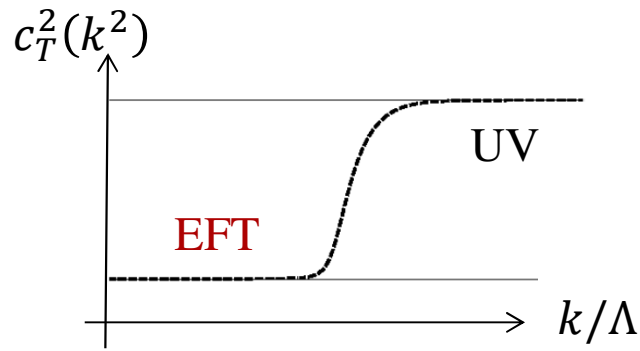
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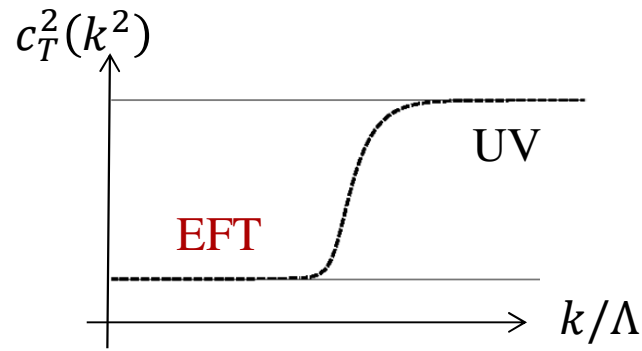


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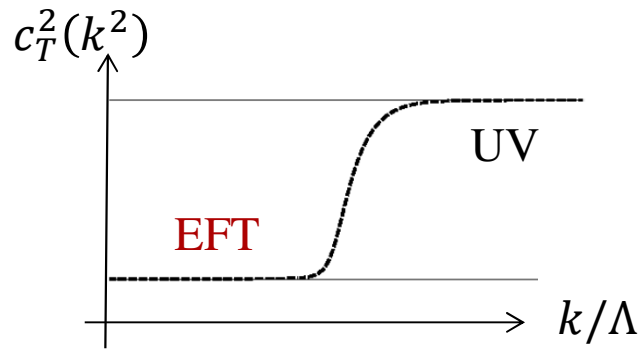
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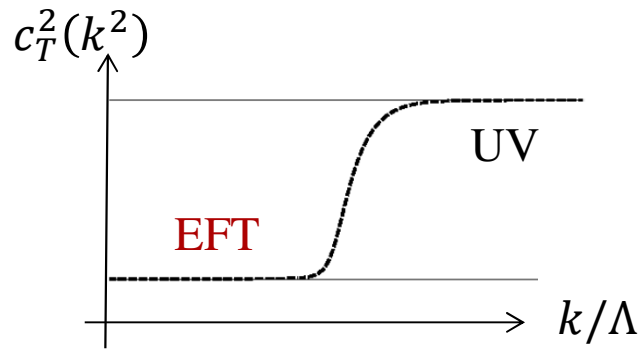


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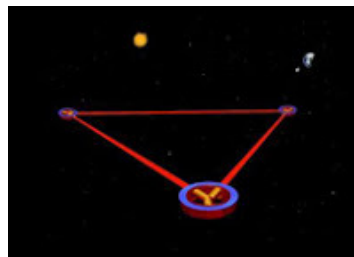
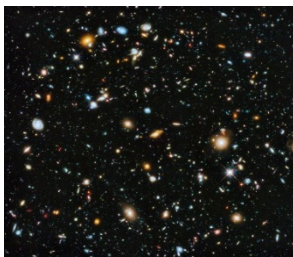
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