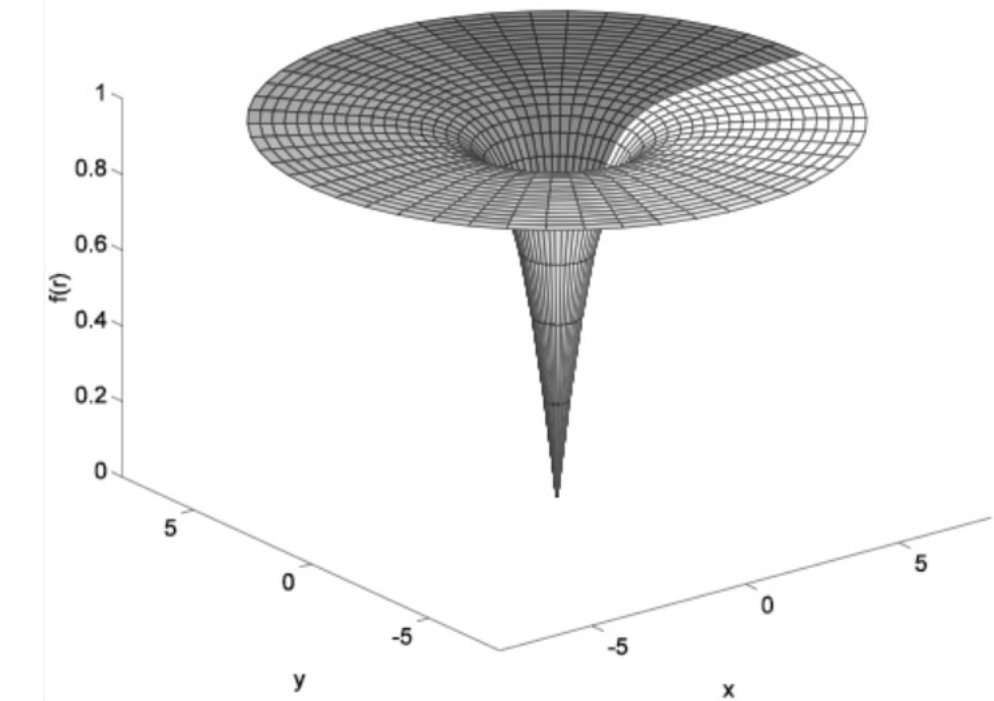
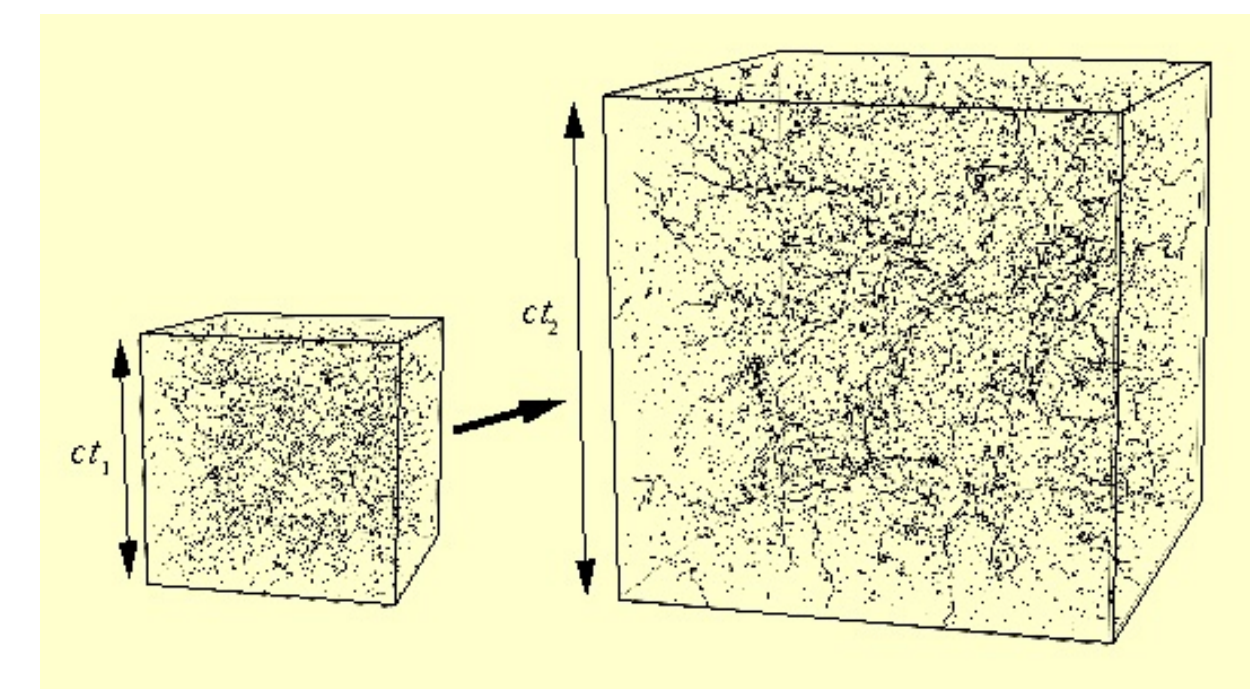


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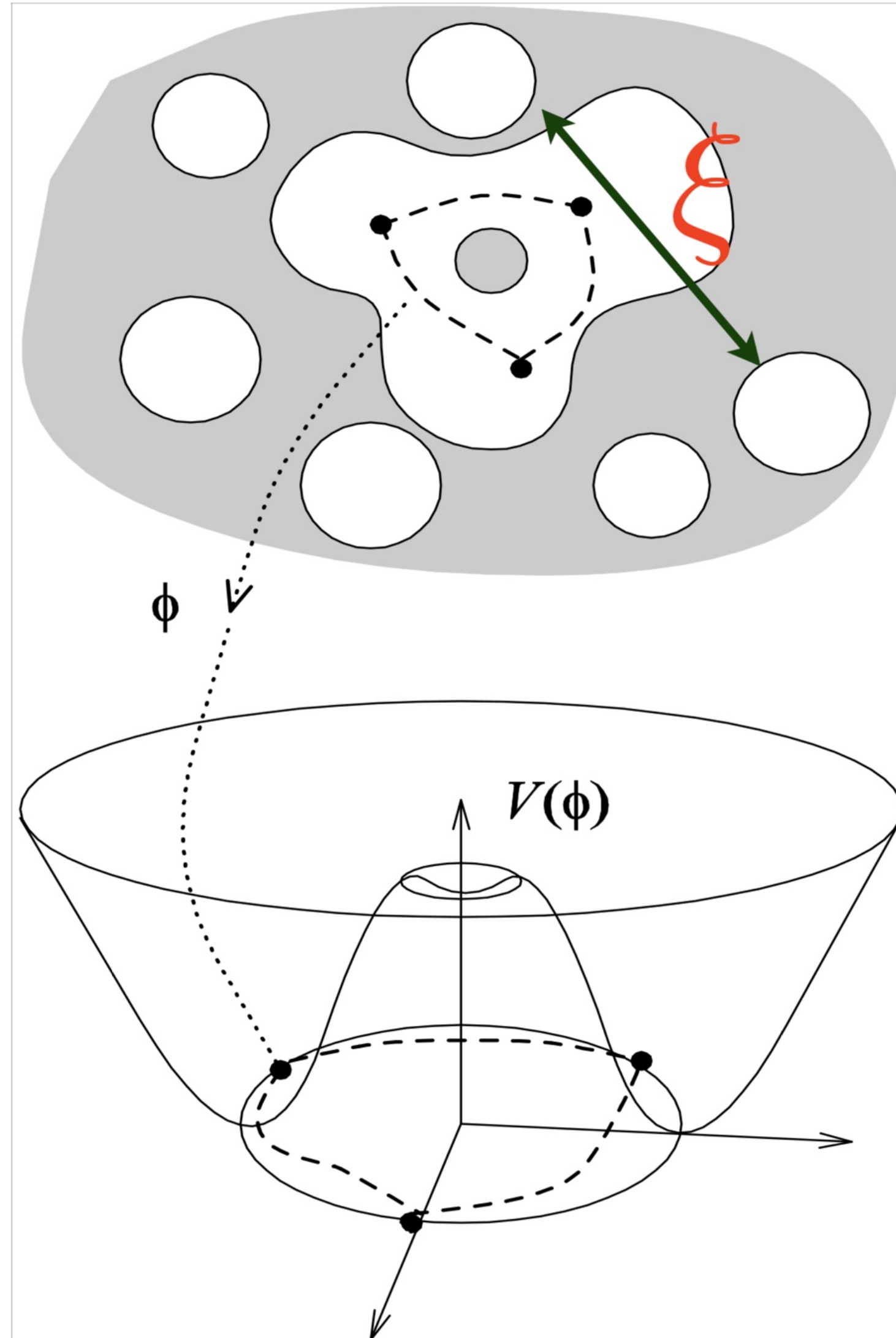
The EDS model for
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Chacun a son défaut, où toujours il revient
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Phase transition



Correlation length

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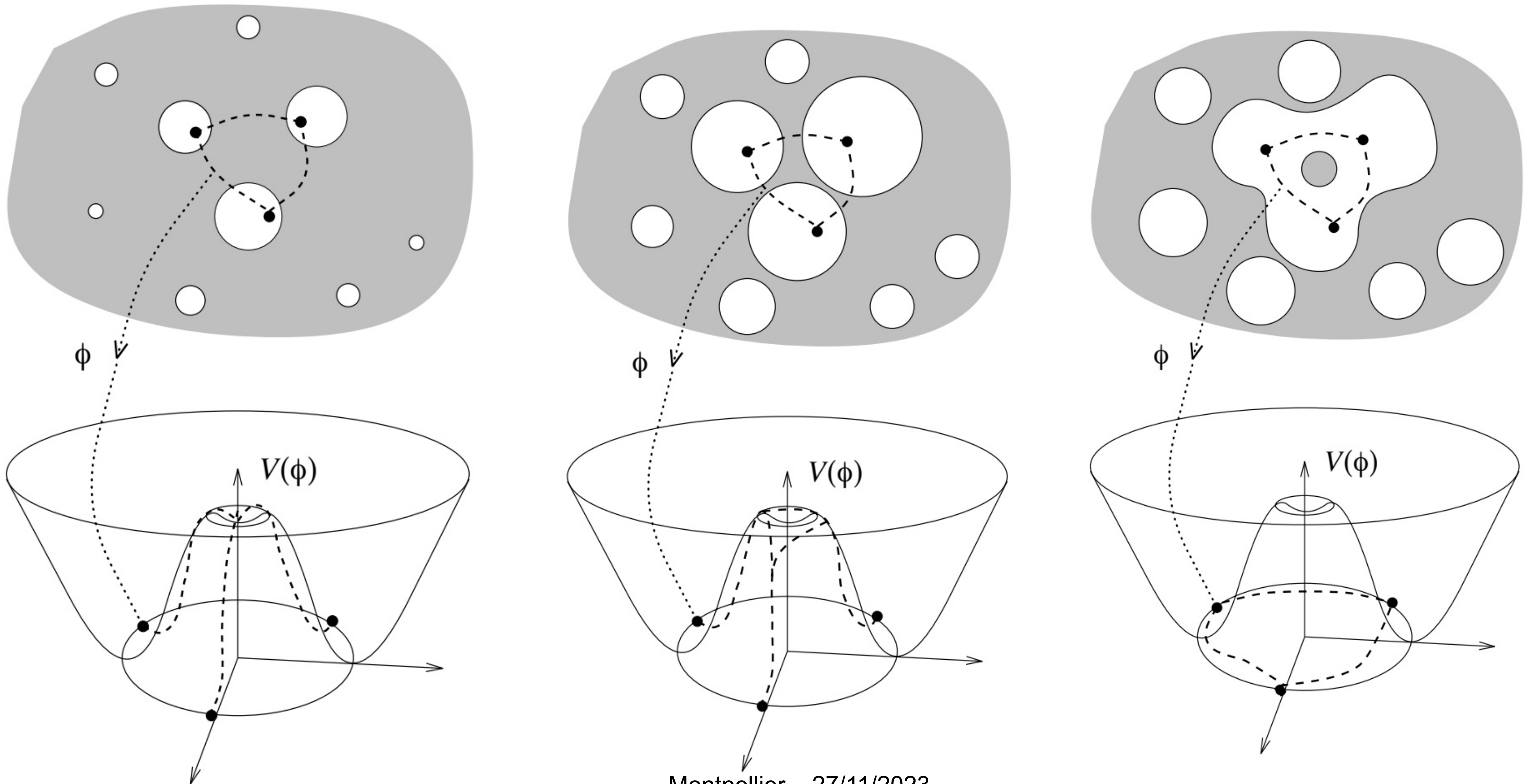
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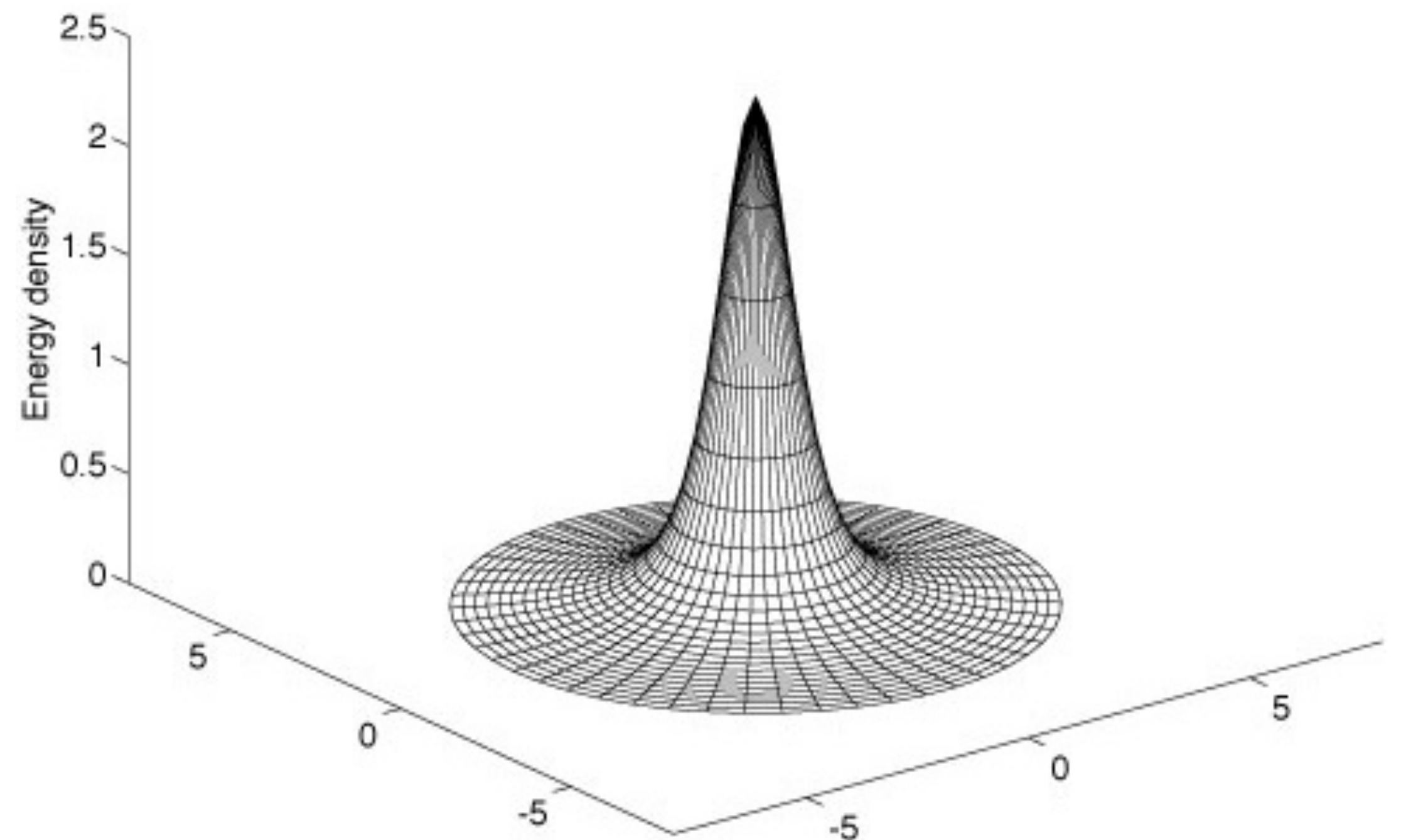
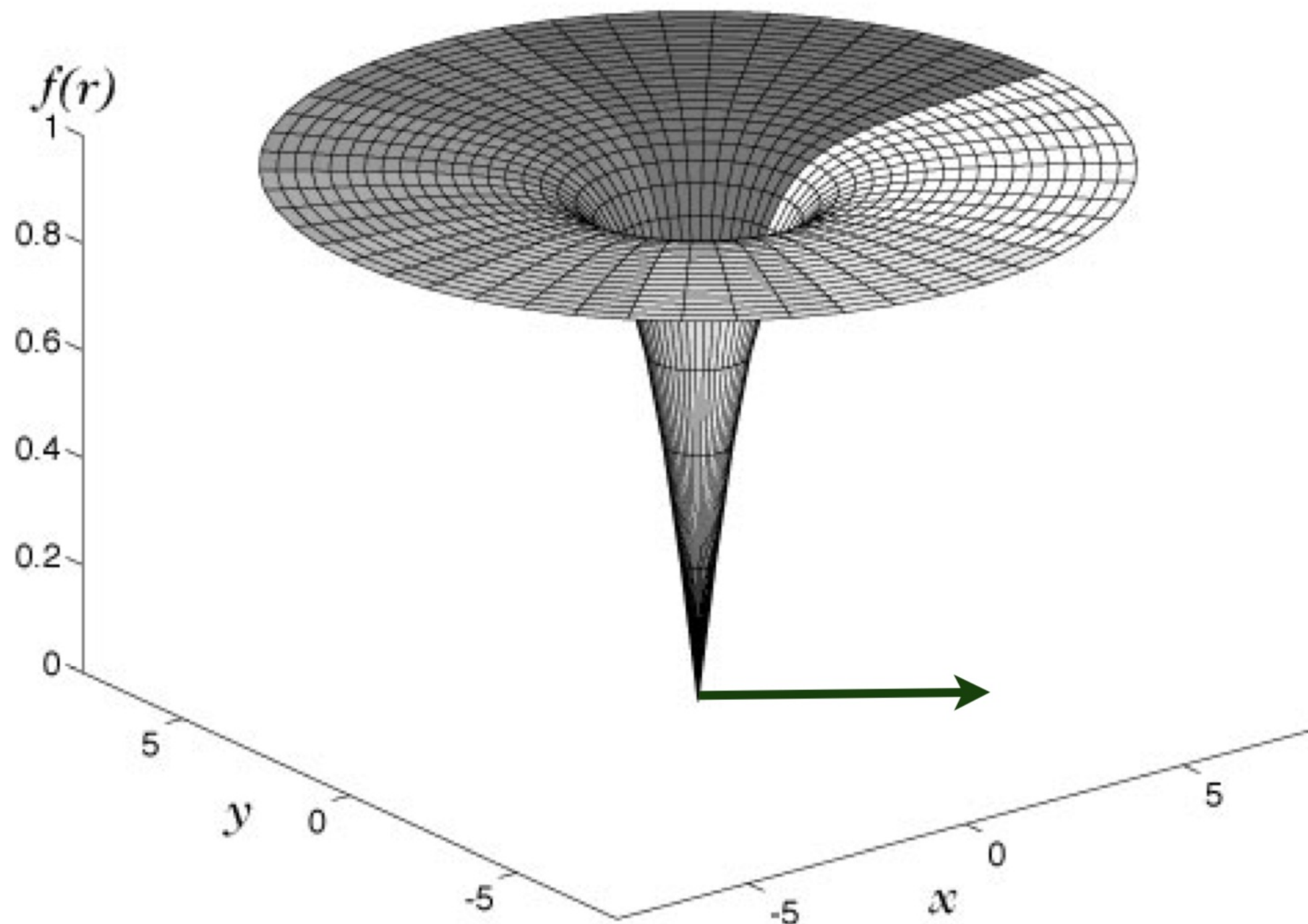
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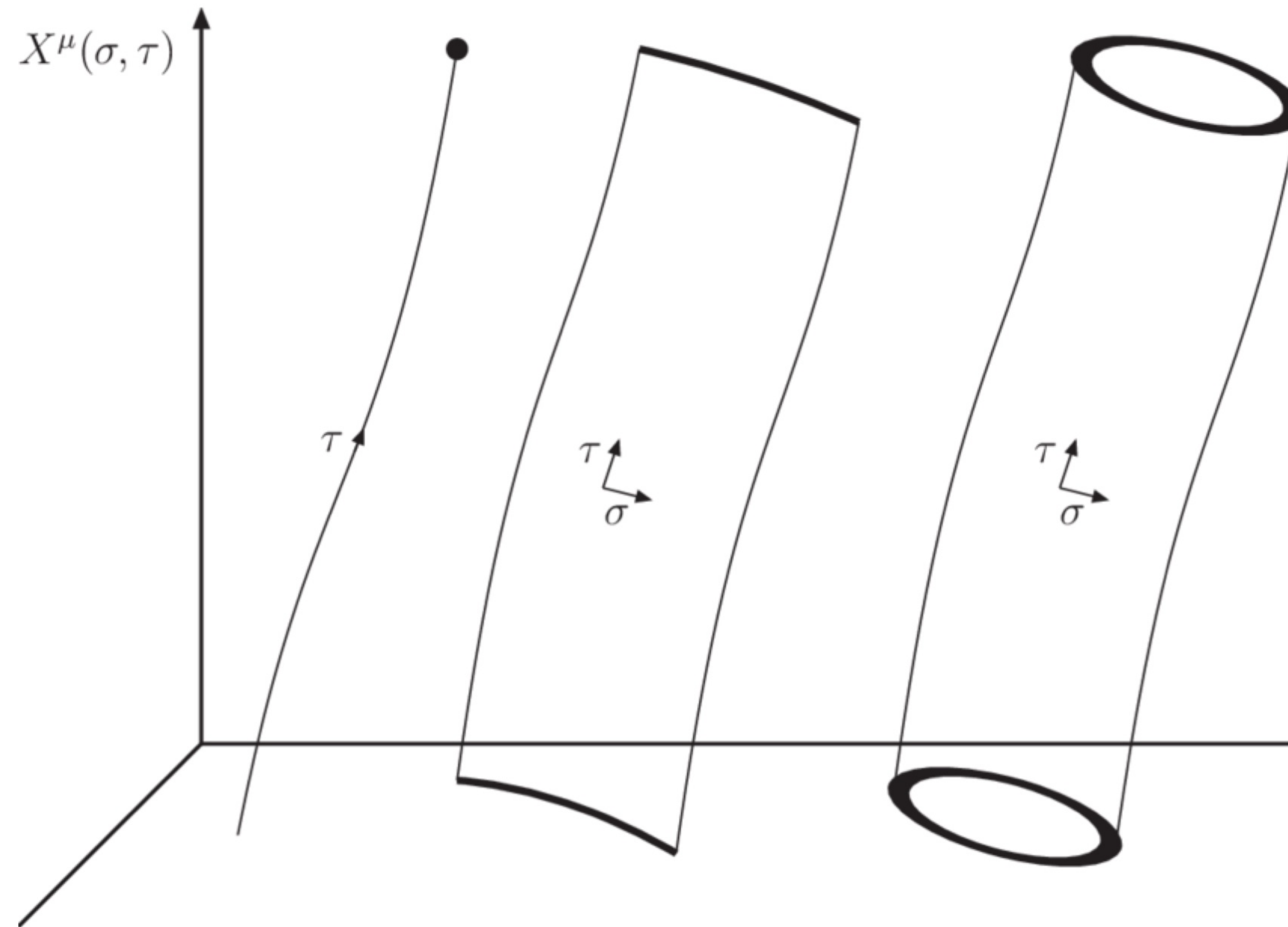


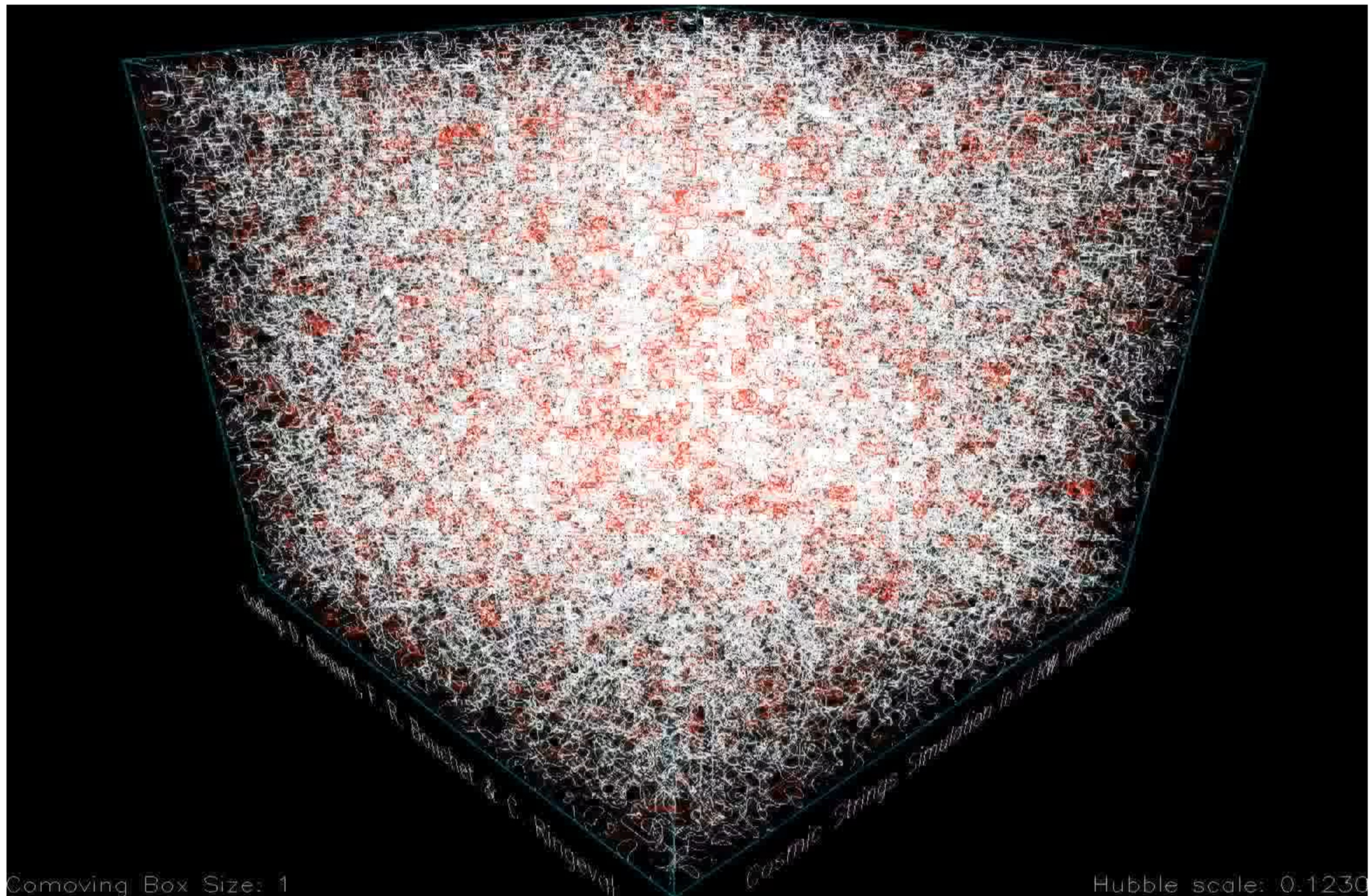
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Nielsen-Olesen ansatz

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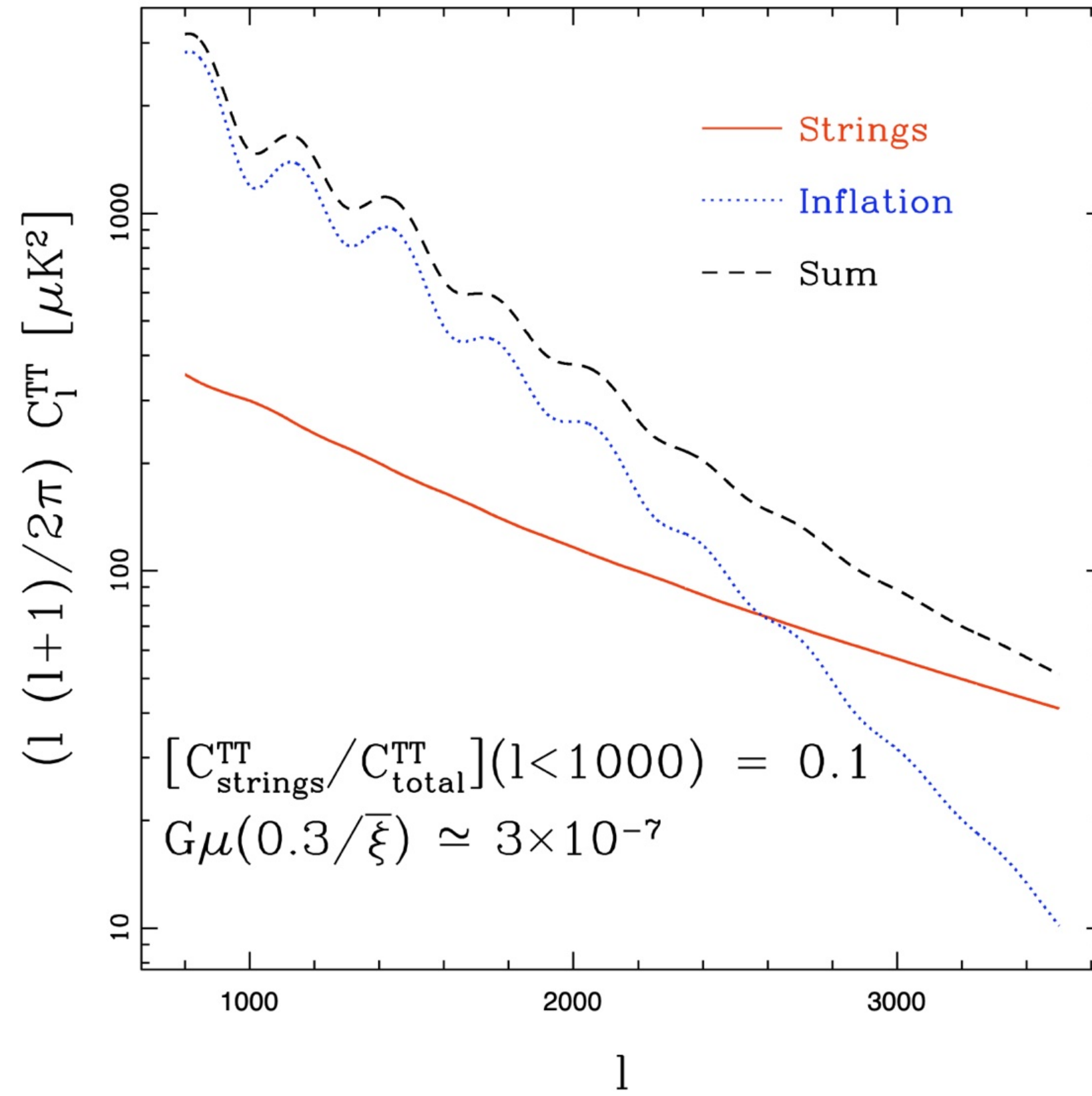
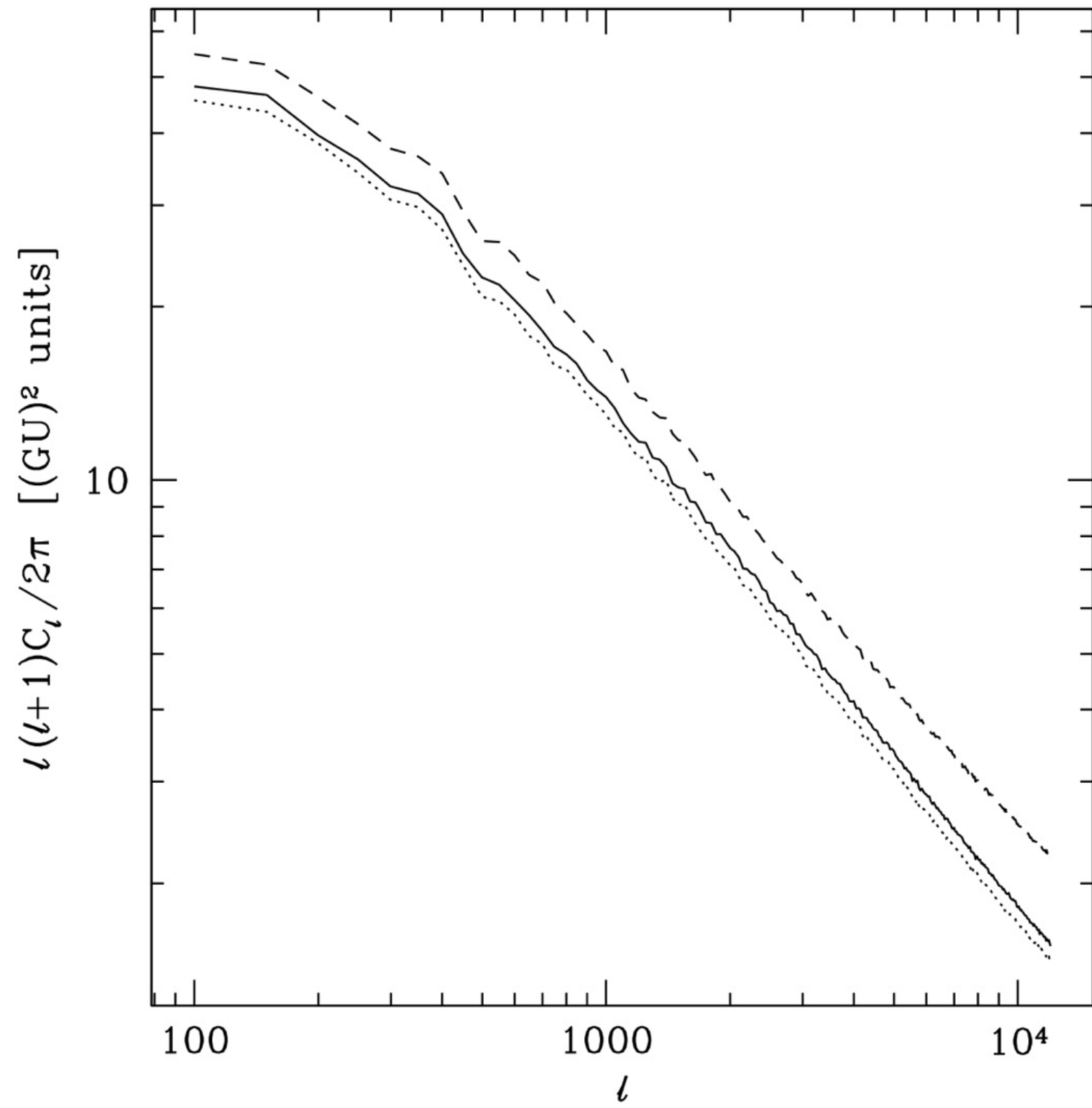
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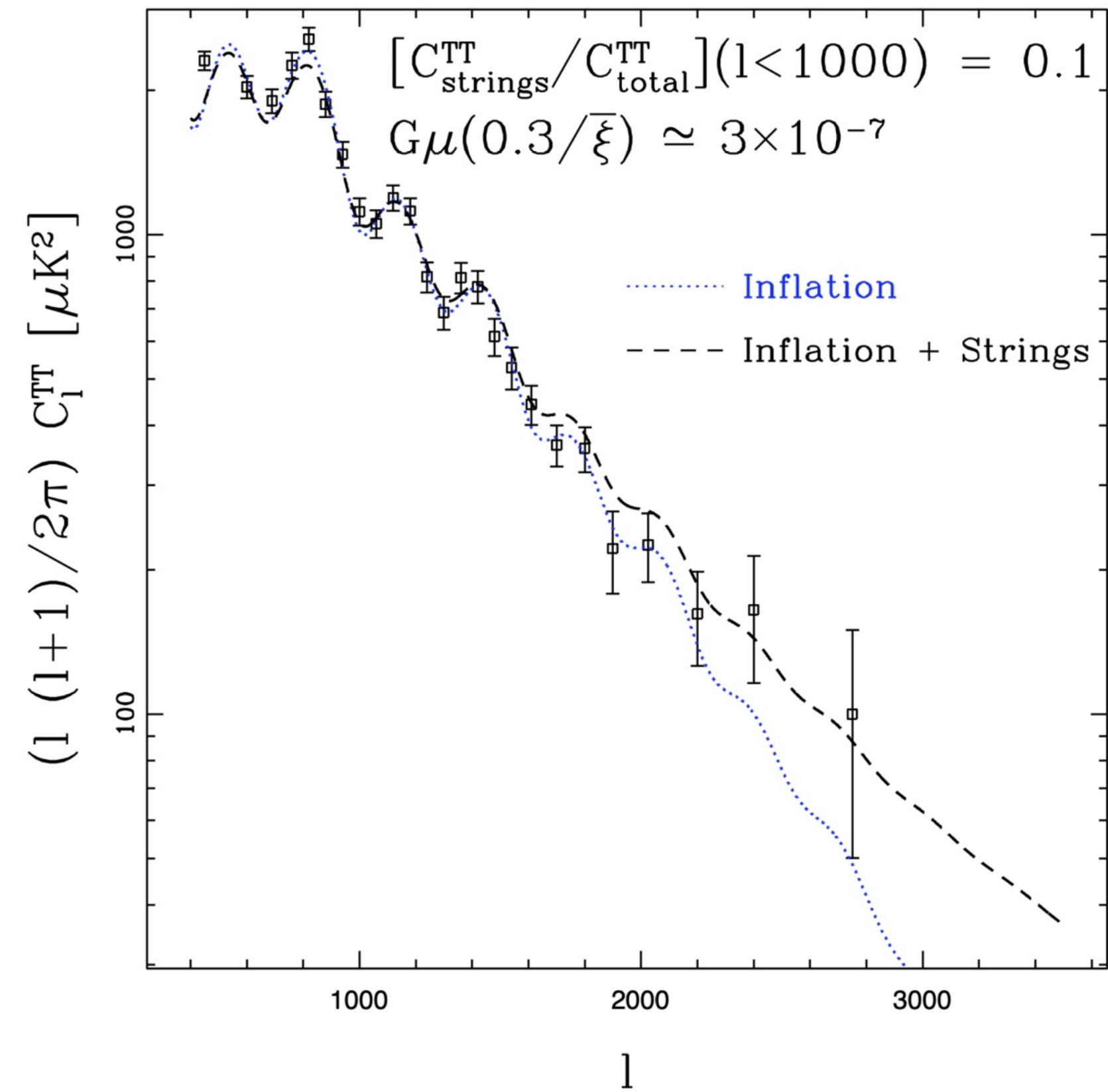
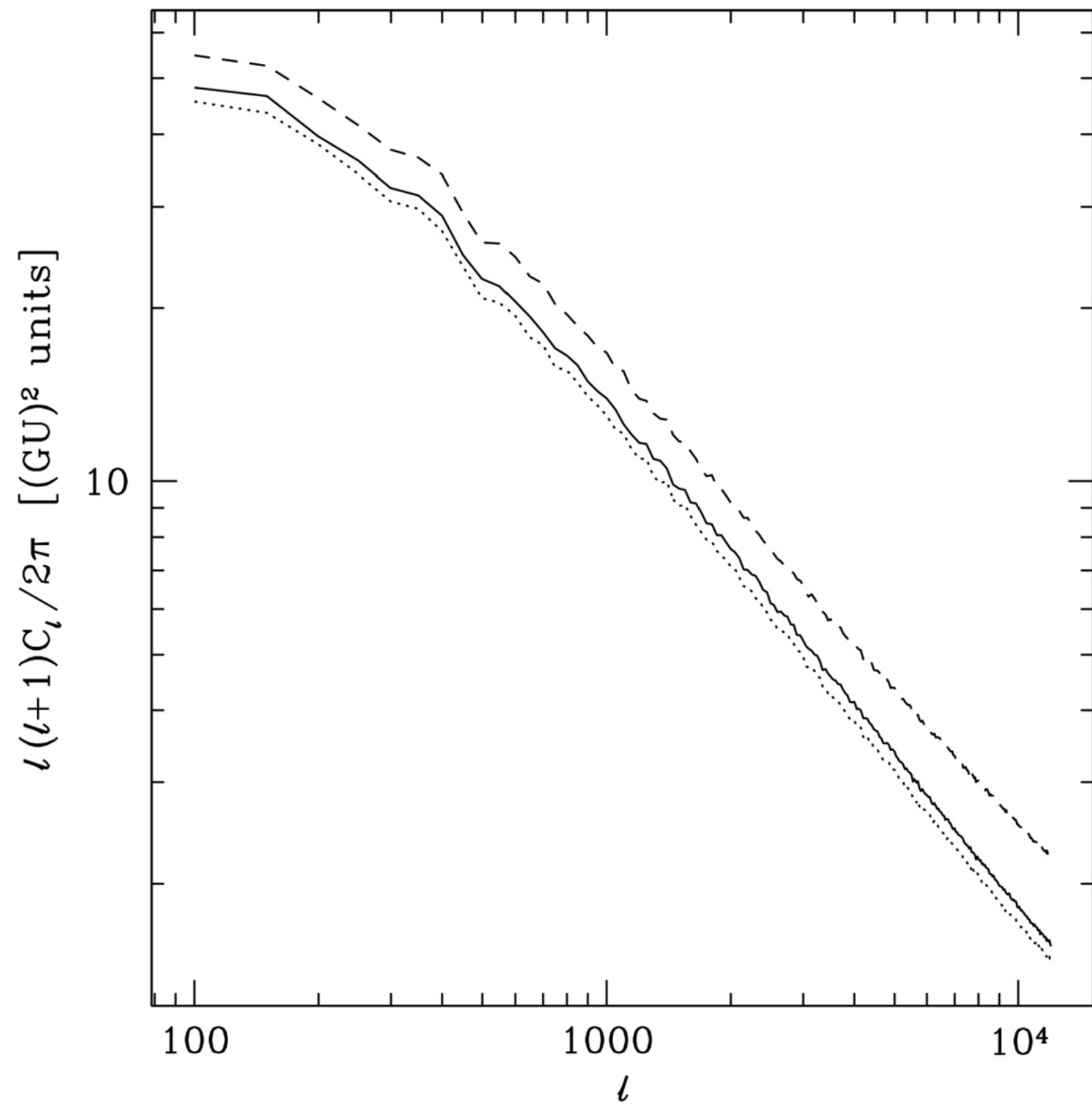


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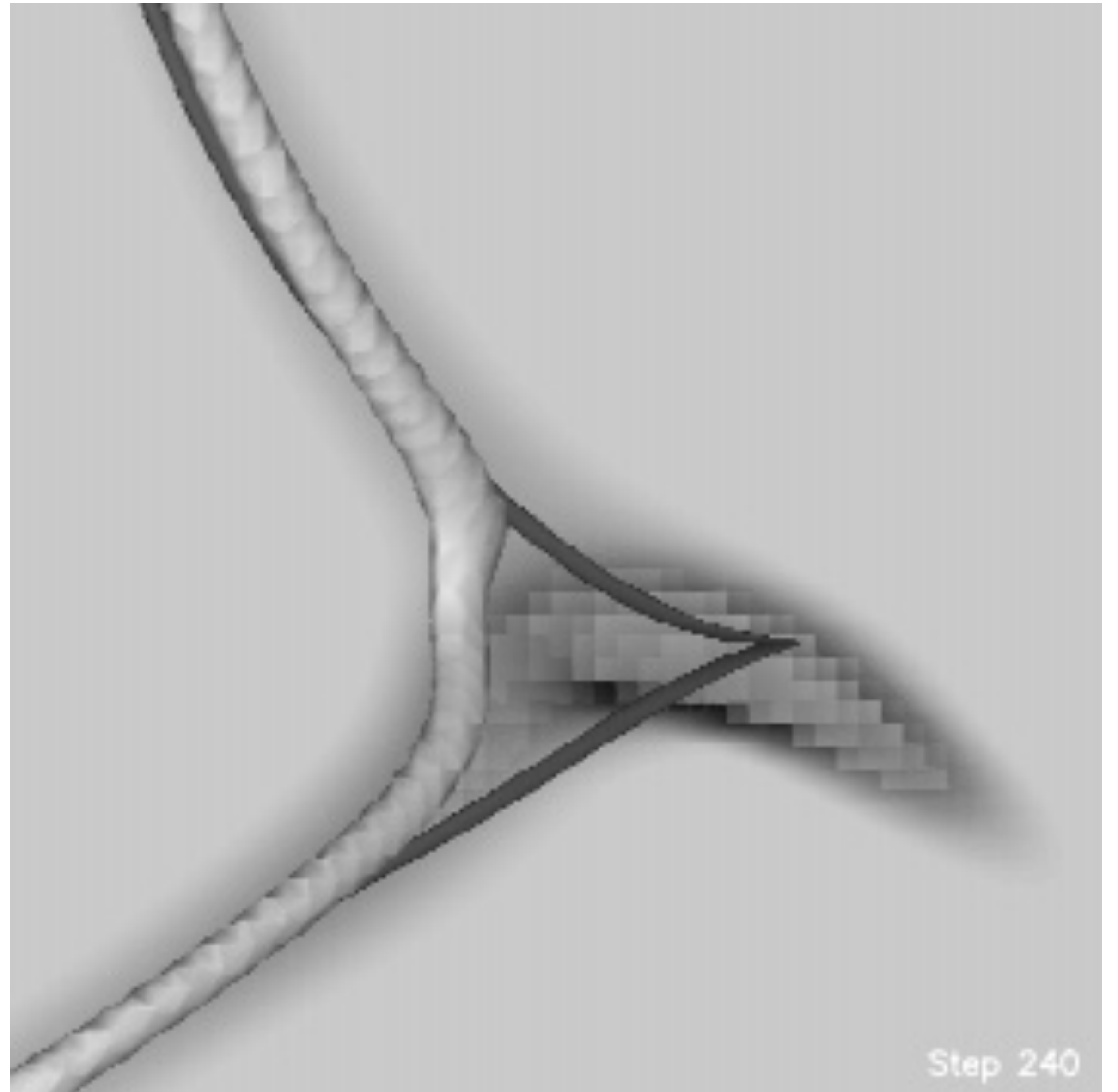
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Mostly based on existence of cusps...



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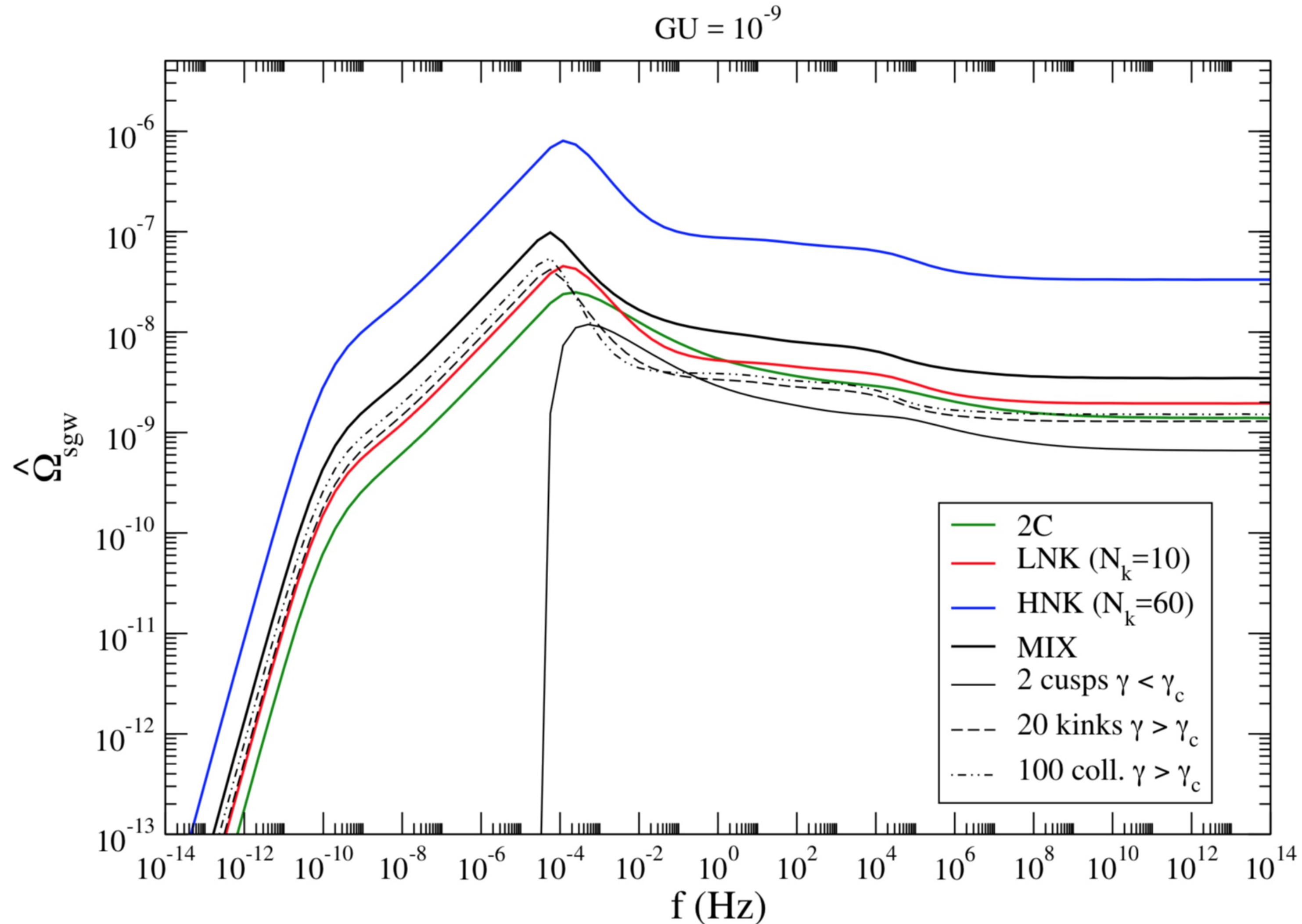
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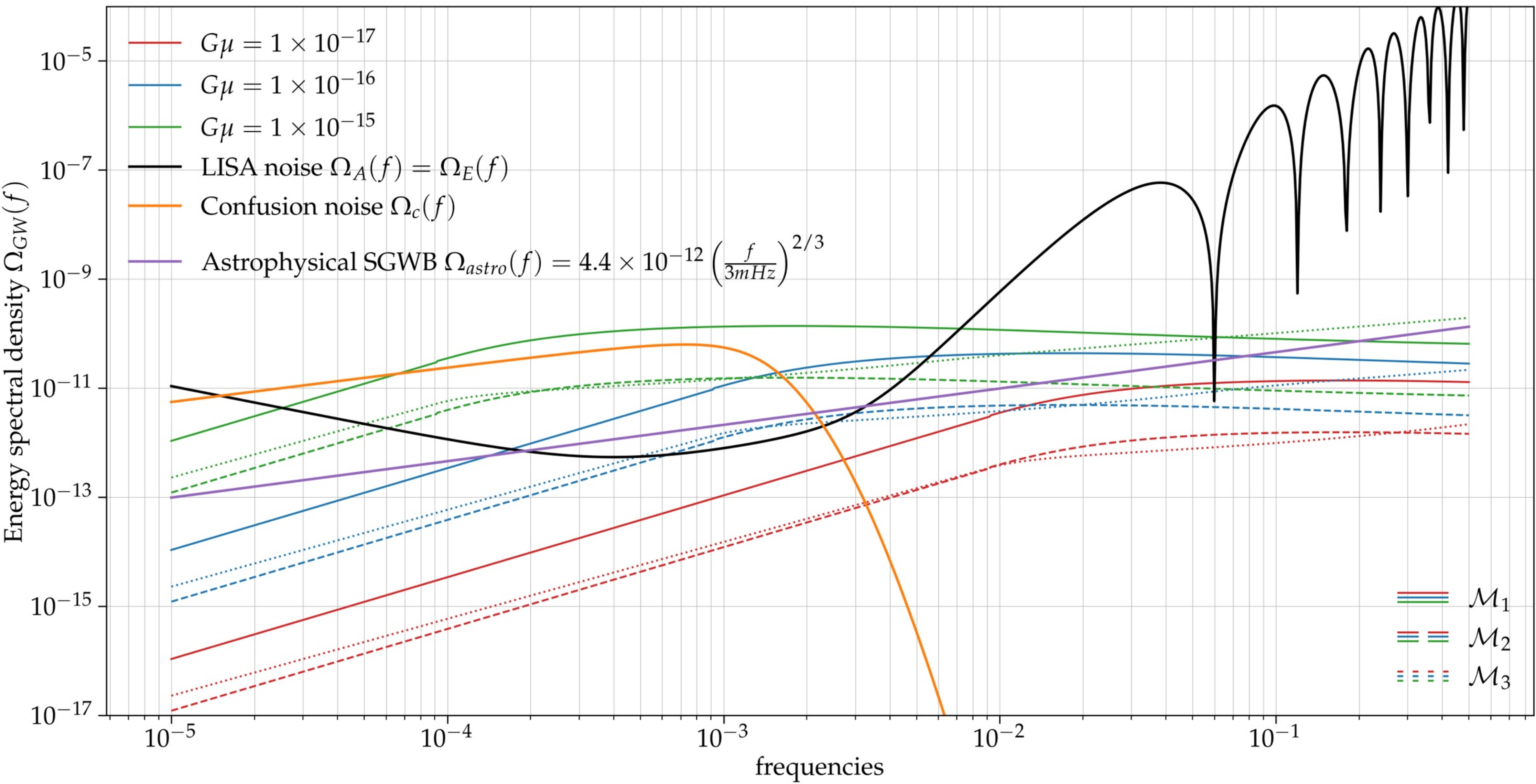
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Field strength tensors

$$G_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu}B_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu}B_{\mu}$$

$$F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu}A_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu}A_{\mu}$$

Covariant derivatives

$$D_{\mu}\Phi = (\partial_{\mu} - ie_{\phi}B_{\mu})\Phi$$

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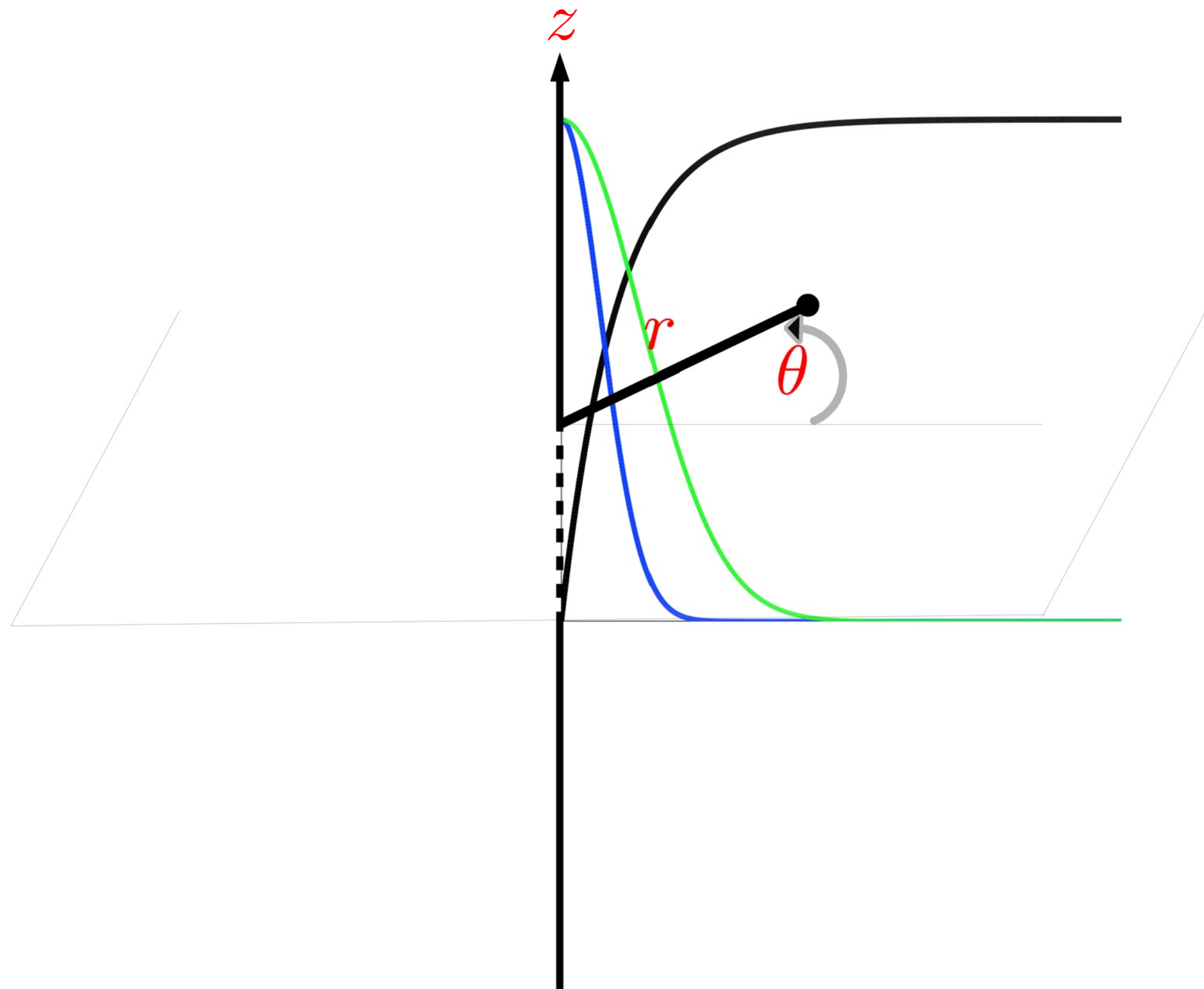
Potential

$$V(\Phi, \Sigma) = \frac{\lambda_{\phi}}{4}(|\Phi|^2 - \eta^2)^2 + f(|\Phi|^2 - \eta^2)|\Sigma|^2 + \frac{\lambda_{\sigma}}{4}|\Sigma|^4 + \frac{m_{\sigma}^2}{2}|\Sigma|^2$$

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Background and condensate

$$\Phi(r, \theta) = \eta\phi(r)e^{in\theta}$$

$$\Sigma(t, r, z) = \eta\sigma(r)e^{iEt}$$

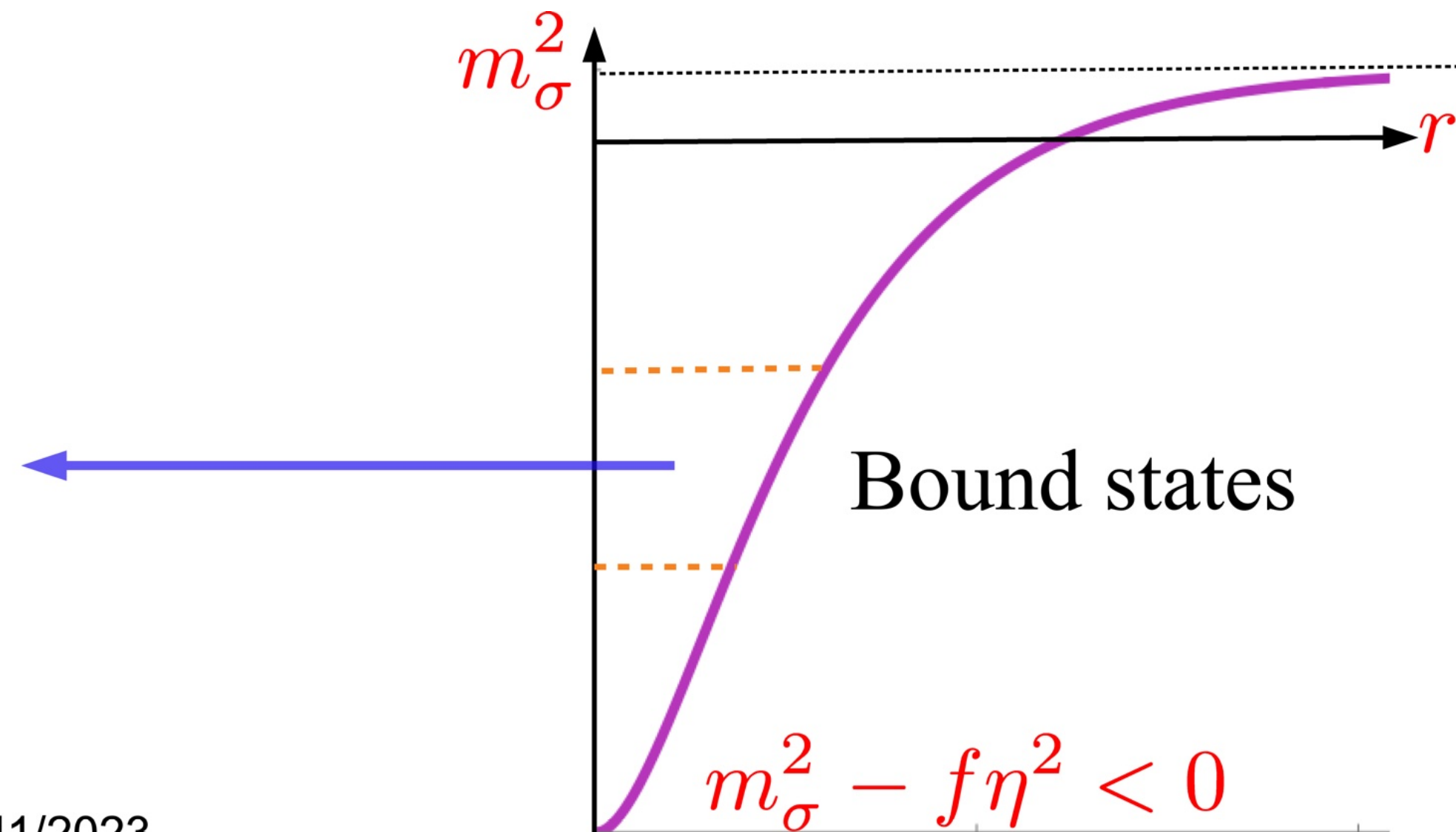
\implies

2D Schrödinger equation

$$[-\Delta + V(r)]\sigma = E^2\sigma$$

$$V(r) = f[\phi^2(r) - \eta^2] + m_{\sigma}^2$$

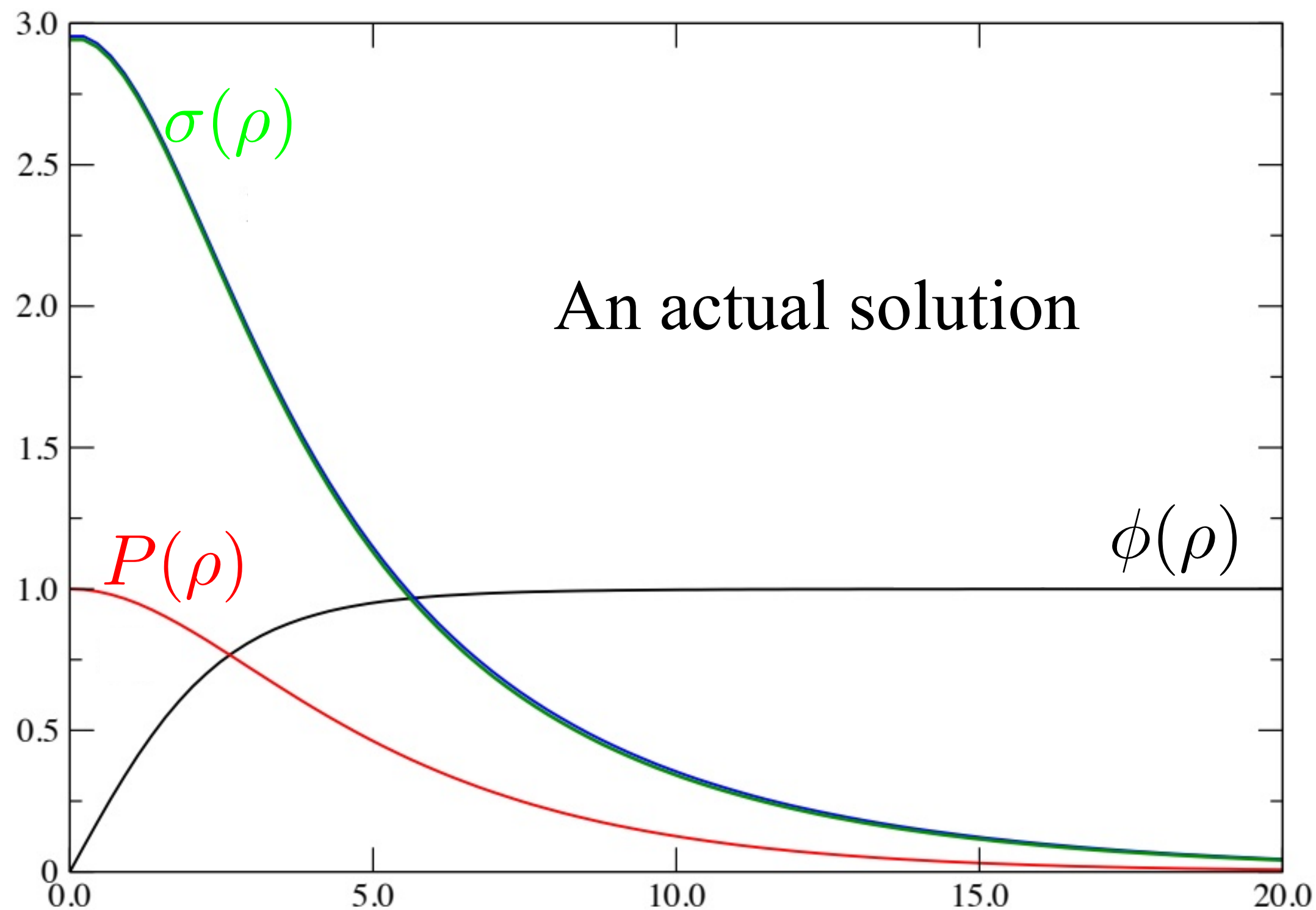
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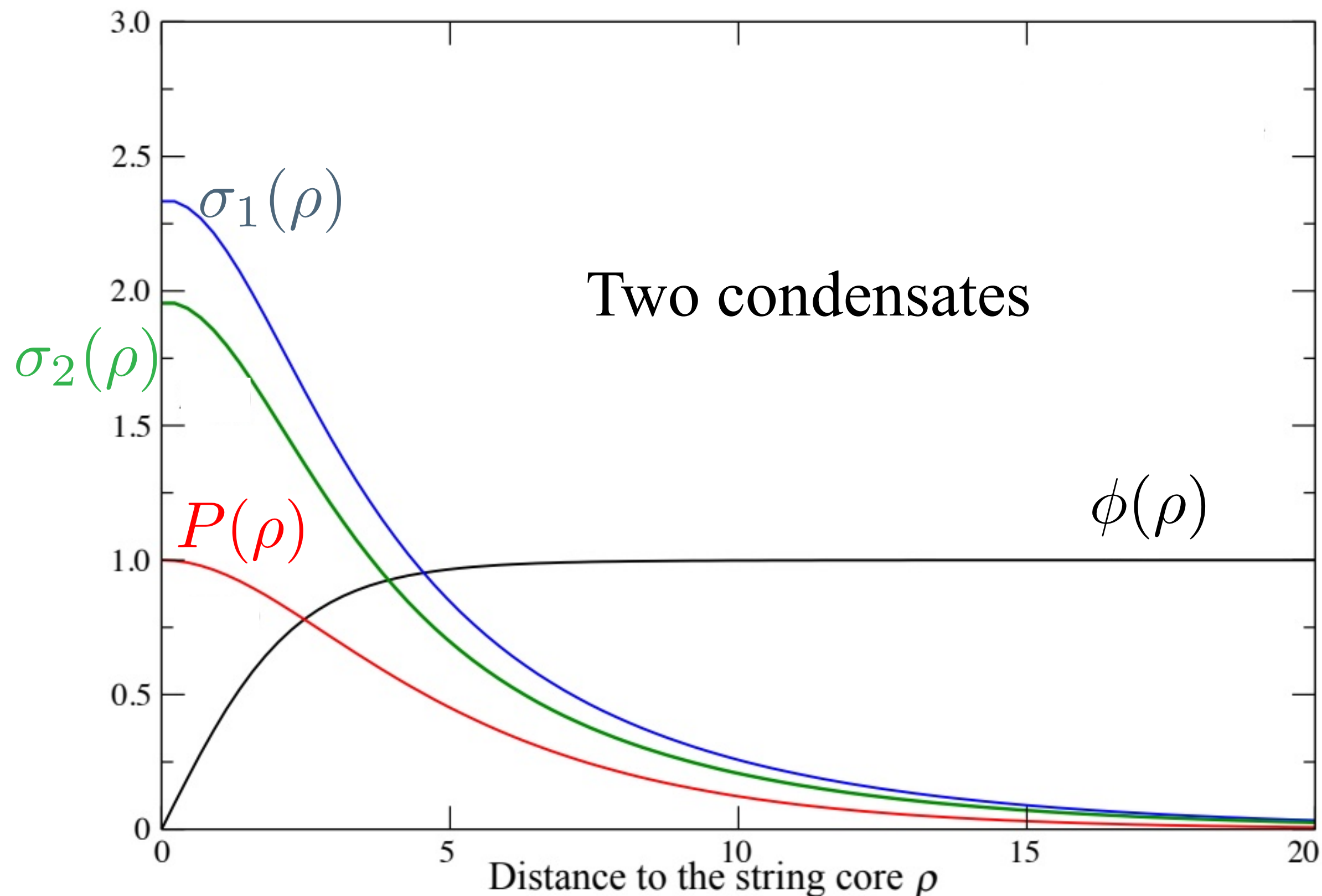
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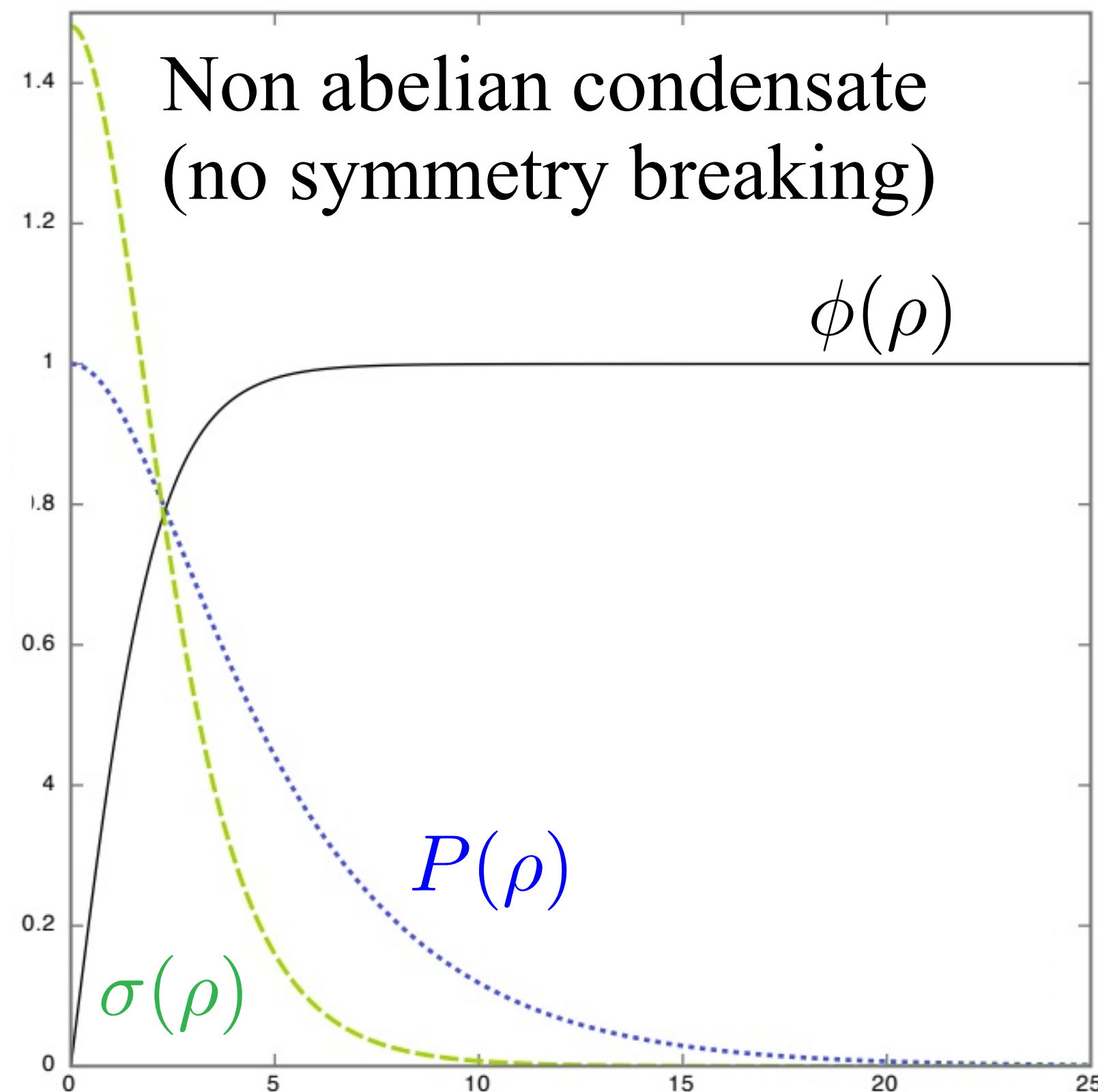


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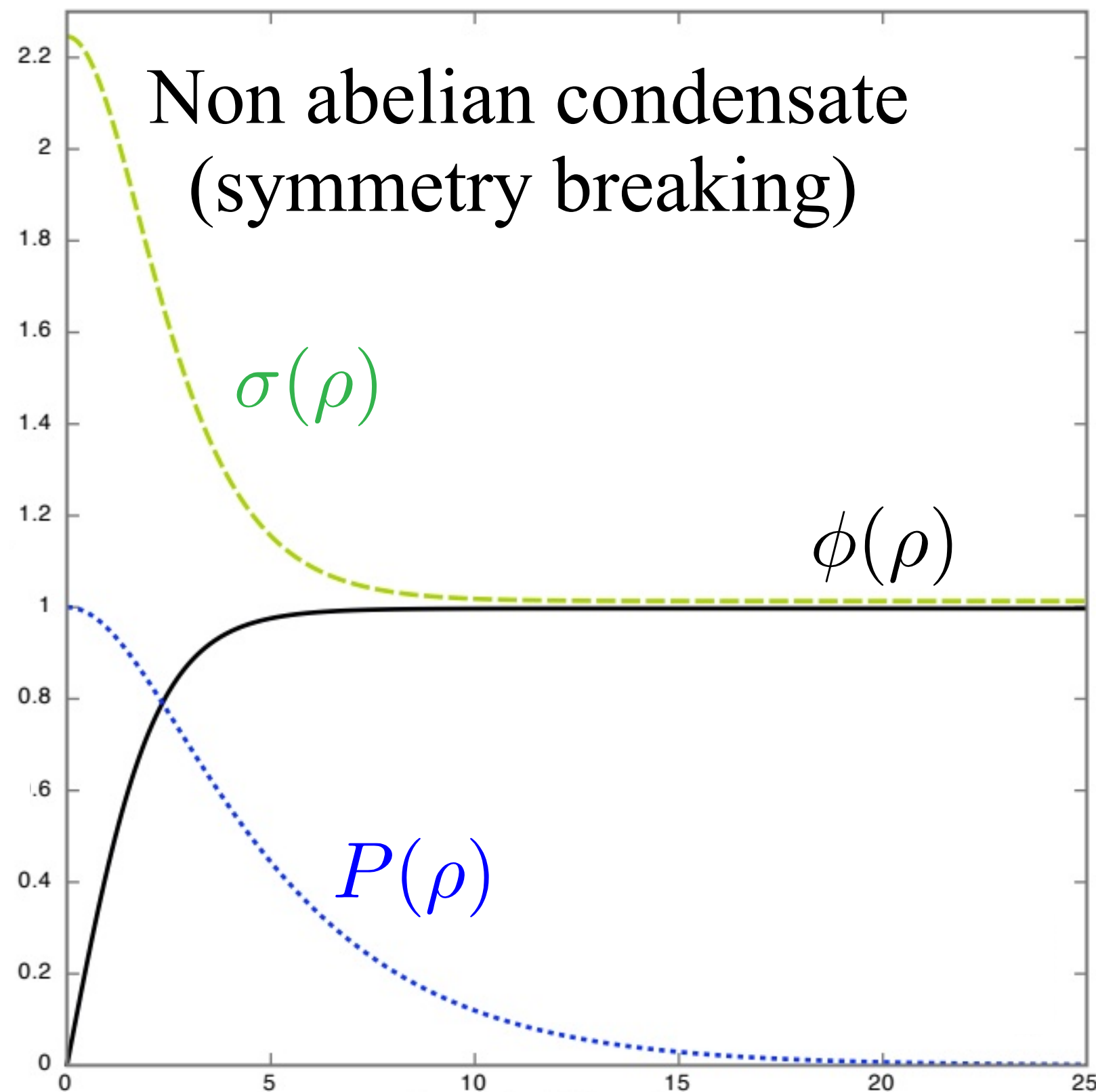
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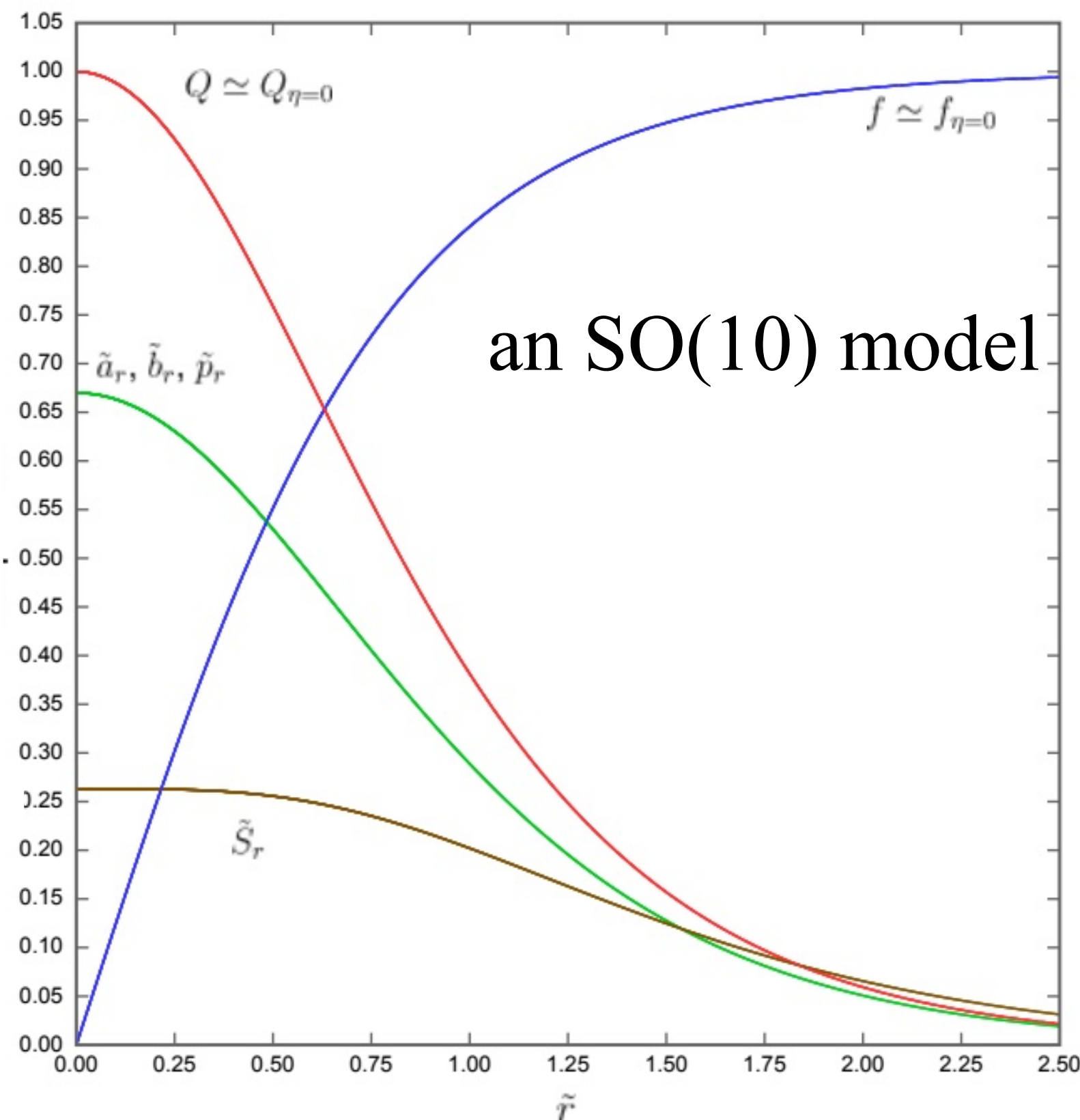
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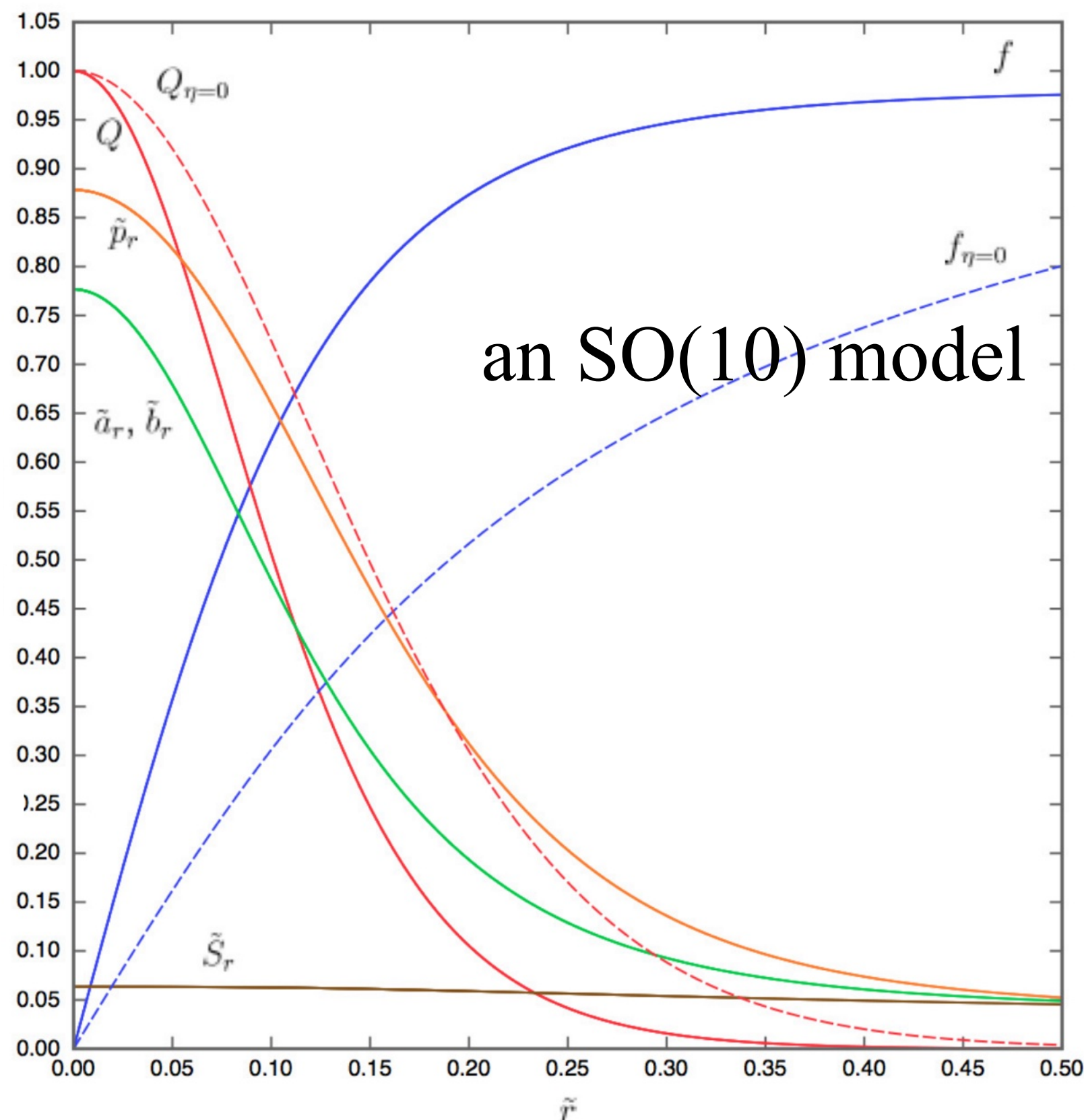
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Neutral limit: (avoid complications due to long-range interaction...) PP, *Phys. Rev.* **D46**, 3335 (1992)

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$$e_\sigma \rightarrow 0$$

$$A_\mu \rightarrow 0$$

$$\Sigma(x^\alpha) = \sigma(x^\perp) e^{i\psi(\xi_a)}$$

Conserved current $\mathcal{J}_\mu = \sigma^2(r) \partial_\mu \psi$

$$\omega t_\mu - k z_\mu = \omega \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - k \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Integrated (macroscopic) current $c_\mu \equiv \int d^2 x^\perp \mathcal{J}_\mu = 2\pi \partial_\mu \psi \int \sigma^2(r) r dr$

Scalar current $\mu = \sqrt{|c_\mu c^\mu|}$

Scalar state parameter $\kappa = g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \psi \partial_\nu \psi \rightarrow k^2 - \omega^2$

$$\mu = 2\pi \sqrt{|\kappa|} \int \sigma^2(r) r dr$$

ν branches into k and $-\omega$

Stress energy tensor $T^{\mu\nu} = -2 \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}} + g^{\mu\nu} \mathcal{L}$

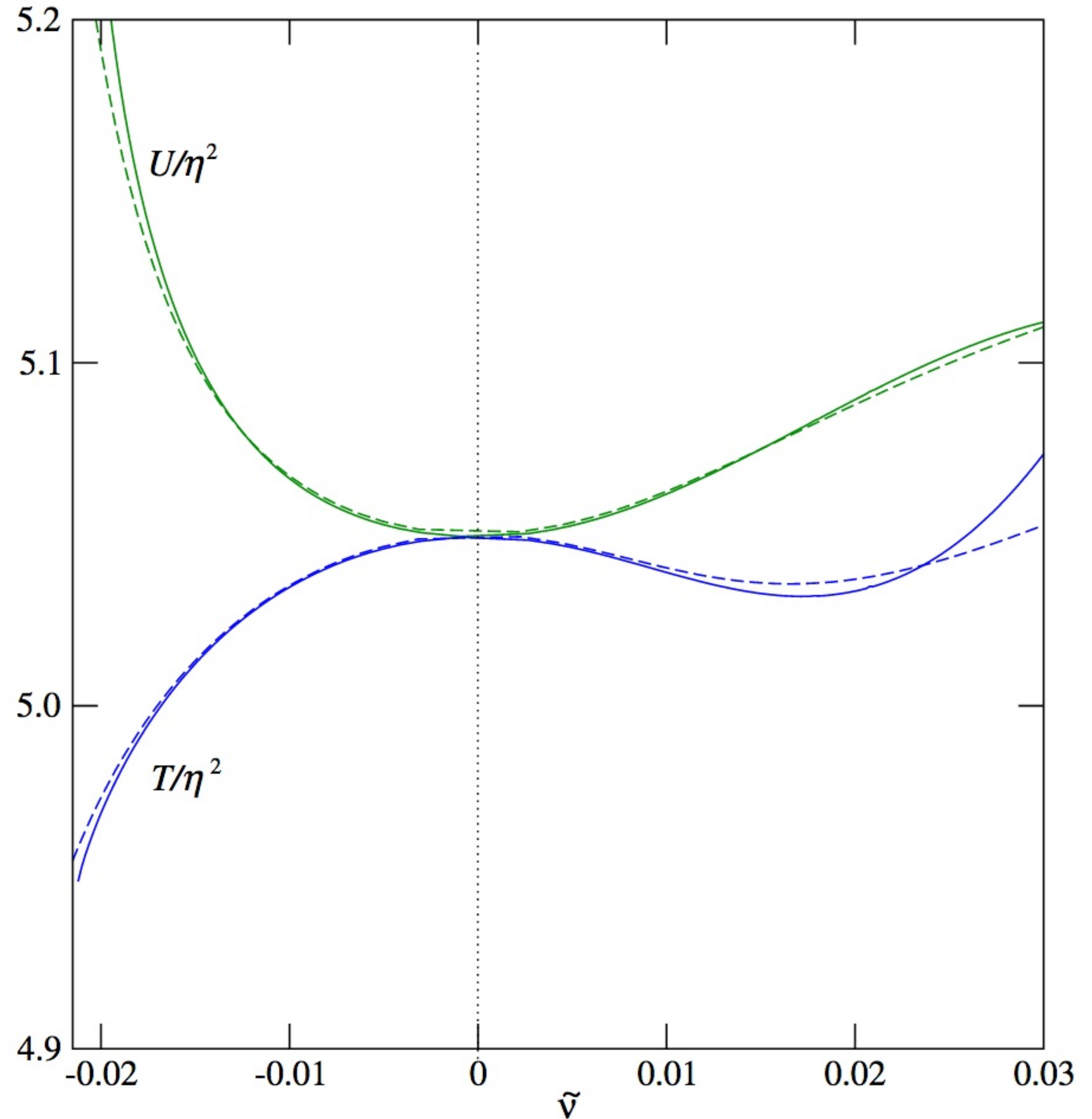
Integrated for macroscopic treatment

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{T}^{\mu\nu} &\equiv \int T^{\mu\nu} d^2 x^\perp \\ &= U u^\mu u^\nu - T v^\mu v^\nu \\ &= (U - T) u^\mu u^\nu - T \eta^{\mu\nu} \end{aligned}$$

\downarrow \downarrow
 $U(\nu)$ $T(\nu)$

$$U - T = \nu \mu$$

Legendre transform \implies dual formalism



$$U = T + \mu\nu$$

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B. Carter & PP, *Phys. Rev.* **D52**, R1744 (1995)
 B. Carter, PP & A. Gangui, *Phys. Rev.* **D55**, 4647 (1997)

Macroscopic formalism

State parameter $\kappa \implies$ worldsheet lagrangian $\mathcal{L}(\kappa)$ and $\kappa = \kappa_0 \gamma^{ab} \partial_a \varphi \partial_b \varphi$

$$\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{L}} = -\mu_0 \int d^2 \xi \sqrt{-\gamma} \mathcal{L}(\kappa)$$

$$\nu^2 = |w|$$

Master function (dual to lagrangian) $\Lambda(\chi)$: set $\chi = \tilde{\kappa}_0 \gamma^{ab} \partial_a \psi \partial_b \psi$

$$\mu^2 = |\chi|$$

\longrightarrow 2 conserved (orthogonal: $\gamma_{ab} n^a z^a = 0$) currents

$$z^a = -\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \partial_a \varphi}$$

$$n^a = -\frac{\partial \Lambda}{\partial \partial_a \psi}$$

Equivalent alternative dynamical description


$$\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{L}} \iff \mathcal{S}_{\Lambda} = -\mu_0 \int d^2 \xi \sqrt{-\gamma} \Lambda(\chi)$$

Current amplitudes

$$\mathcal{K}z^a = \kappa_0 \partial^a \varphi \iff \tilde{\mathcal{K}}n^a = \tilde{\kappa}_0 \partial^a \psi$$

$$\mathcal{K}^{-1} = -2 \frac{d\mathcal{L}}{d\kappa} \iff \tilde{\mathcal{K}}^{-1} = -2 \frac{d\Lambda}{d\chi}$$

Equivalent formulations



$$\tilde{\mathcal{K}} = -\mathcal{K}^{-1} \implies \kappa = \mathcal{K}^2 \chi$$

Legendre transformation

$$\Lambda = \mathcal{L} + \mathcal{K}\chi$$

$$U = T + \mu\nu$$

$$\mu = \frac{dU}{d\nu}$$

$$\nu = -\frac{dT}{d\mu}$$

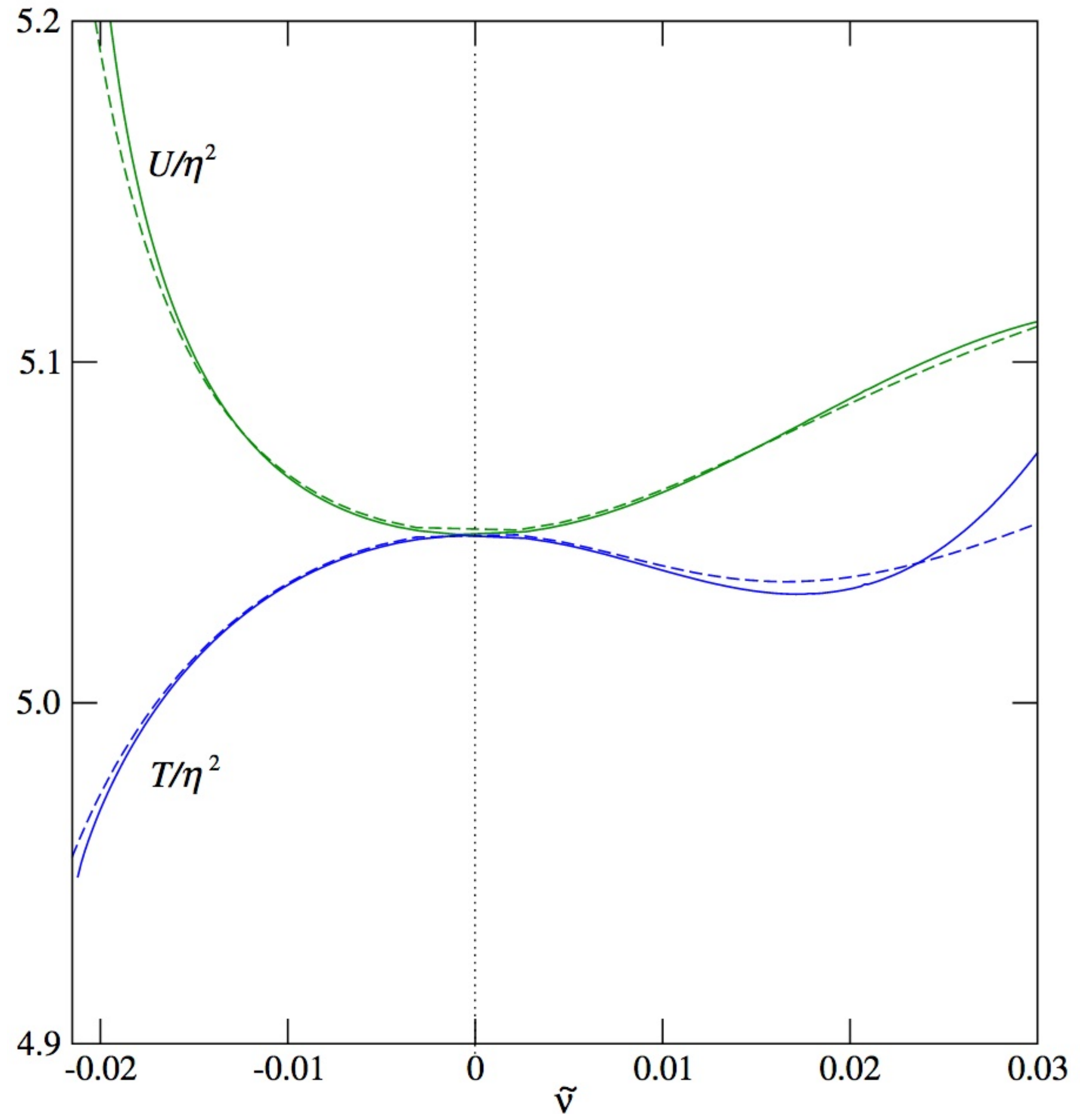
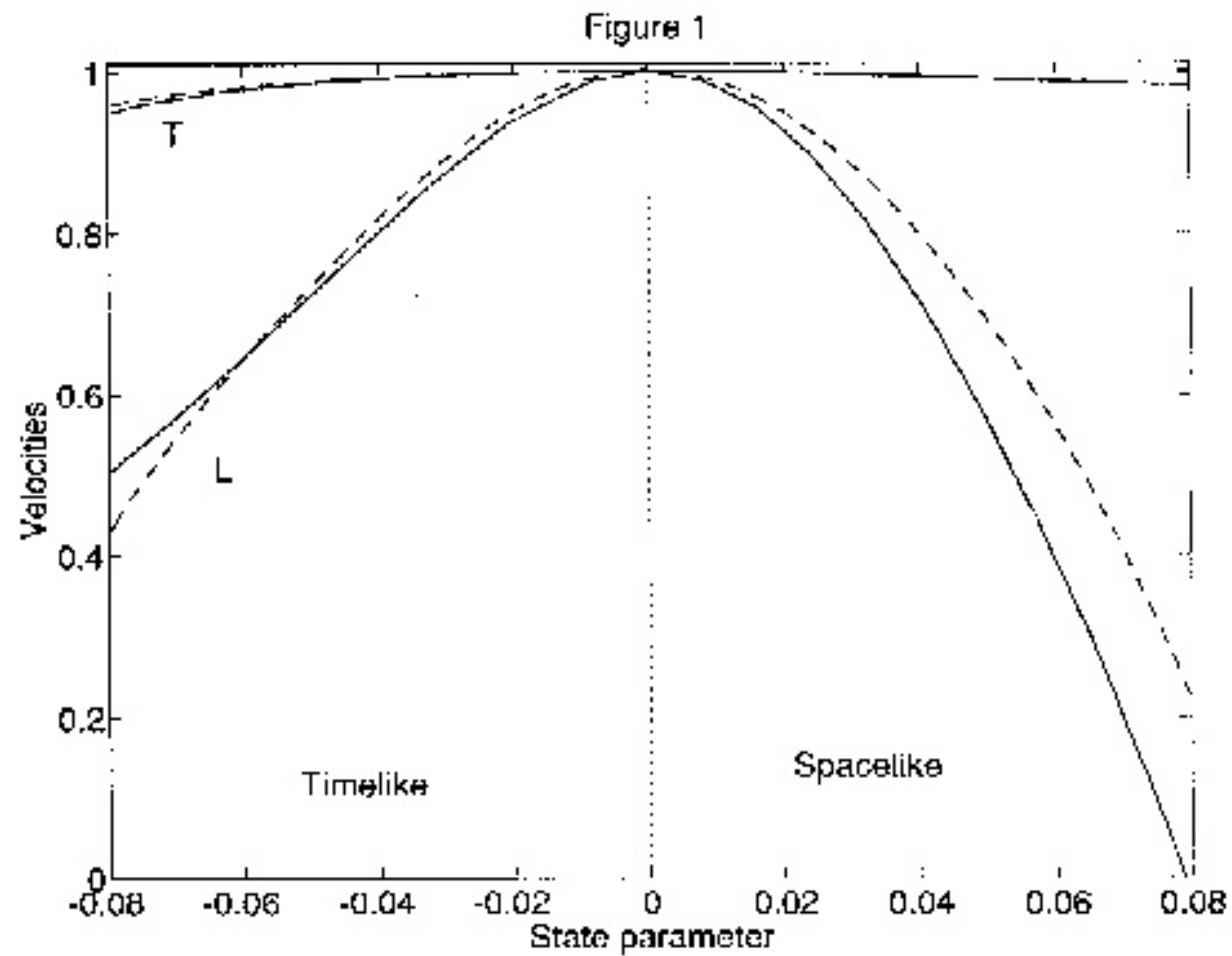
Identification for the macroscopic description

Regime	U	T	κ and χ	current
Electric	$-\Lambda$	$-\mathcal{L}$	≤ 0	timelike
Magnetic	$-\mathcal{L}$	$-\Lambda$	≥ 0	spacelike

Macroscopic perturbations (stability constraint)

$$c_T^2 = \frac{T}{U} > 0 \quad c_L^2 = -\frac{dT}{dU} = \frac{\nu}{\mu} \frac{d\mu}{d\nu} > 0$$

(no spring)



Specific models

- Nambu-Goto (structureless) $\mathcal{L} = -m^2 \implies U = T$
- Small field expansion $\mathcal{L} = -m^2 + \frac{\kappa}{2} \implies \Lambda = -m^2 + \frac{\chi}{2}$ self-dual

Subsonic equation of state $U + T = 2m^2 \implies c_T < c_L = 1$

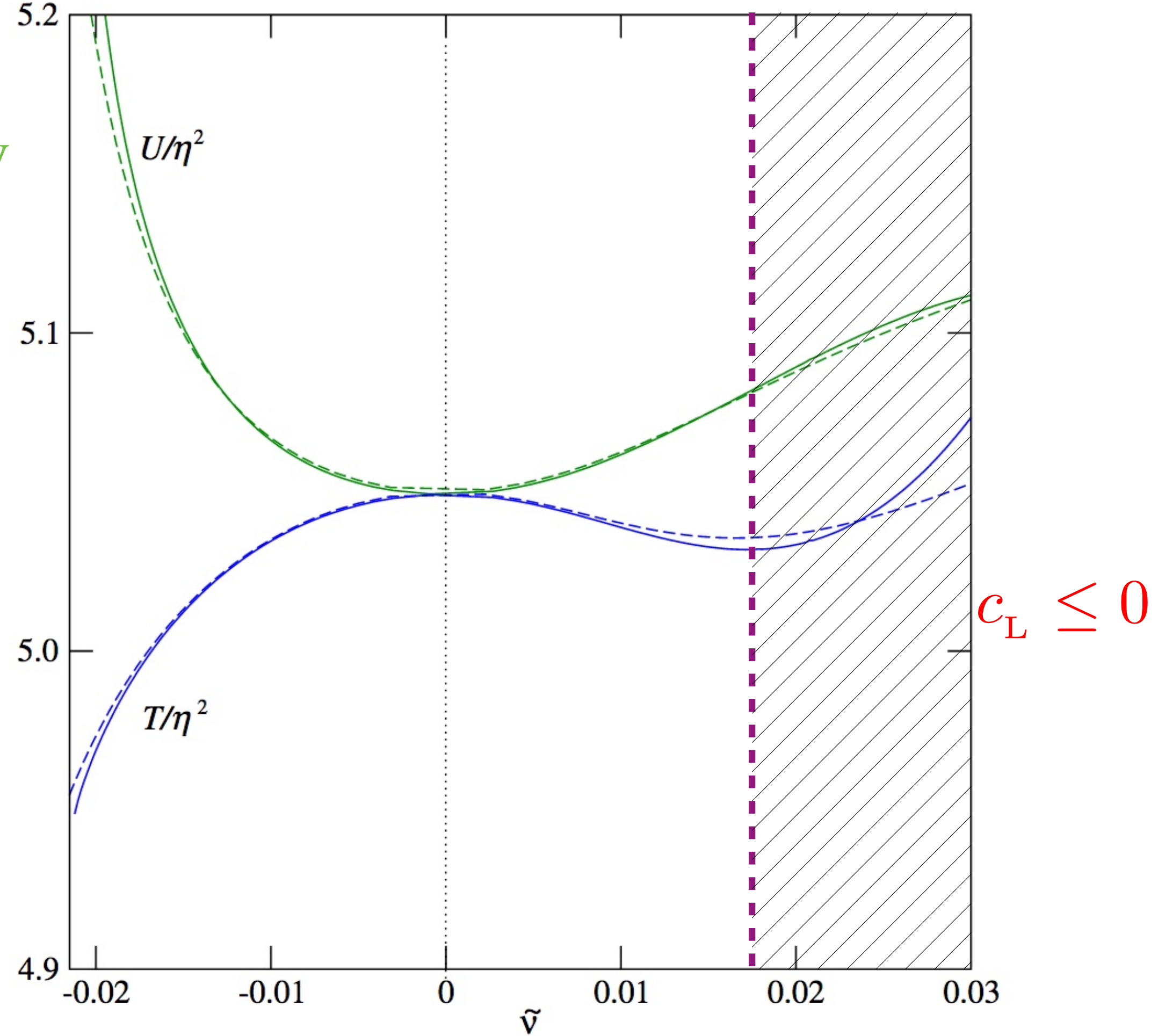
- Kaluza-Klein $\mathcal{L} = -m\sqrt{m^2 - \kappa} \implies \Lambda = -m\sqrt{m^2 - \chi}$ self-dual

Transonic equation of state $UT = m^4 \implies c_T = c_L \leq 1$

- Small field expansion (higher order) $\mathcal{L} = -m^2 + \frac{\kappa}{2} + \frac{\kappa^2}{4m_*^2} + \mathcal{O}(\kappa^6)$

- Witten magnetic model $\mathcal{L} = -m^2 + \frac{\kappa}{2} \left(1 - \frac{\kappa}{m_*^2}\right)^{-1}$
 - Witten electric model $\mathcal{L} = -m^2 - \frac{m_*^2}{2} \ln \left(1 - \frac{\kappa}{m_*^2}\right)$
- Supersonic equation of state
 $c_L \leq c_T \leq 1$

Phase frequency
threshold



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non trivial structure:

$$\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{L}} = -m^2 \int d^2\xi \sqrt{-\gamma} \mathcal{L}(\kappa)$$

$$\Rightarrow \epsilon^2 = \frac{x'^2}{1 - \dot{x}^2}$$

$$\kappa = \gamma^{ab} \partial_a \varphi \partial_b \varphi$$

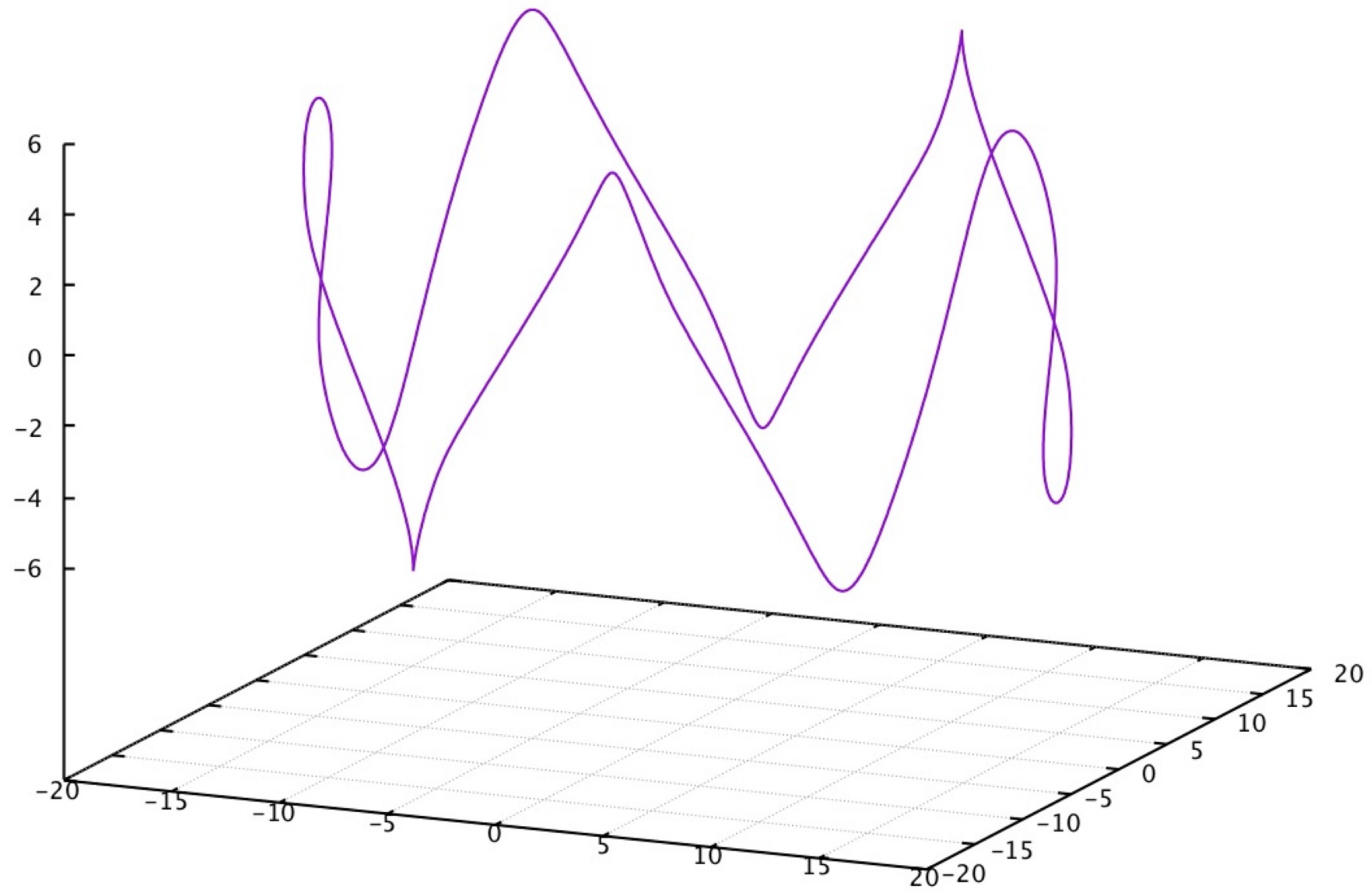
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \left(\epsilon \dot{\varphi} \frac{d\mathcal{L}}{d\kappa} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma} \left(\frac{\varphi'}{\epsilon} \frac{d\mathcal{L}}{d\kappa} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \left[\epsilon \left(\mathcal{L} - 2 \frac{d\mathcal{L}}{d\kappa} \frac{\dot{\varphi}^2}{1 - \dot{x}^2} \right) \right] = -2 \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma} \left[\frac{\dot{\varphi} \varphi'}{\sqrt{x'^2 (1 - \dot{x}^2)}} \frac{d\mathcal{L}}{d\kappa} \right]$$

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P. P. & B. Carter (Paris)



Dynamics of current-carrying cosmic strings in expanding universes

Effective action $S = \int \mathcal{L}(\kappa) \sqrt{-\gamma} d^2\sigma = -\mu_0 \int f(\kappa) \sqrt{-\gamma} d\sigma^0 d\sigma^1$

Induced metric $\gamma_{ab} \equiv g_{\mu\nu} \frac{\partial X^\mu}{\partial \sigma^a} \frac{\partial X^\nu}{\partial \sigma^b} = g_{\mu\nu} X_{,a}^\mu X_{,b}^\nu$

Worldsheet $X^\mu(\sigma^a) = \{X^0(\sigma^0, \sigma^1), \mathbf{X}(\sigma^0, \sigma^1)\}$ Gauge choice 1: $X^0 = \tau$

Background metric $ds_{\text{FLRW}}^2 = a^2(\tau) (d\tau^2 - d\mathbf{x}^2) = dt^2 - a^2(t) d\mathbf{x}^2$

Gauge choice 2: $\frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial \tau} \cdot \frac{\partial \mathbf{X}}{\partial \sigma} \equiv \dot{\mathbf{X}} \cdot \mathbf{X}' = 0 \implies \gamma_{ab} = \text{diag} \left[a^2 (1 - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^2), -a^2 \mathbf{X}'^2 \right]$

\implies State parameter $\kappa = \frac{\dot{\varphi}^2}{a^2 (1 - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^2)} - \frac{\varphi'^2}{a^2 \mathbf{X}'^2} \equiv q^2 - j^2$

Equations of motion

$$\partial_\tau (\epsilon \bar{U}) + \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \epsilon \left[(\bar{U} + \bar{T}) \dot{\mathbf{X}}^2 + \bar{U} - \bar{T} \right] = \partial_\sigma \Phi$$

$$\ddot{\mathbf{X}} \epsilon \bar{U} + \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \epsilon (\bar{U} + \bar{T}) (1 - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^2) \dot{\mathbf{X}} = \partial_\sigma \left(\frac{\bar{T}}{\epsilon} \mathbf{X}' \right) + 2\Phi \dot{\mathbf{X}}' + \mathbf{X}' \left(\dot{\Phi} + 2\frac{\dot{a}}{a} \Phi \right)$$

$$\partial_\tau \left(f_\kappa a \sqrt{q^2 \mathbf{X}'^2} \right) = \partial_\sigma \left[f_\kappa a \sqrt{j^2 (1 - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^2)} \right]$$

$$\epsilon^2 = \frac{\mathbf{X}'^2}{1 - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^2}$$

Averaging process

$$E = a\mu_0 \int \bar{U} \epsilon \, d\sigma \quad \text{Energy}$$

$$E_0 = a\mu_0 \int \epsilon \, d\sigma \quad \text{Bare energy}$$

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle \equiv \frac{\int \mathcal{O} \epsilon \, d\sigma}{\int \epsilon \, d\sigma}$$

General variable

Integrated state parameter

$$K = Q^2 - J^2$$

Total charge $Q^2 \equiv \langle q^2 \rangle$ and current $J^2 \equiv \langle j^2 \rangle$

RMS velocity $v \equiv \sqrt{\langle \dot{\mathbf{X}}^2 \rangle}$

General assumptions / hypothesis

Uncorrelated variables

$$\langle \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{O}) \rangle \approx \mathcal{F}(\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle)$$

Vanishing boundary terms

$$\int \partial_\sigma \{ \mathcal{F}[\mathbf{X}(\sigma, \tau)] \} d\sigma \rightarrow \oint \partial_\sigma \{ \mathcal{F}[\mathbf{X}(\sigma, \tau)] \} d\sigma \approx 0$$

+ Brownian string network $E = \frac{\mu_0 V}{L_c^2 a^2} \iff E_0 = \frac{\mu_0 V}{\xi_c^2 a^2}$

$$E = E_0 \langle f - 2q^2 f_\kappa \rangle \implies \frac{E}{E_0} = F - 2Q^2 F' \quad F(K) \equiv \langle f(\kappa) \rangle \quad F' \equiv \langle f_\kappa \rangle \quad F'' \equiv \langle f_{\kappa\kappa} \rangle$$

Equations of motion

$$\frac{dL_c}{d\tau} = \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \frac{L_c}{F - 2Q^2 F'} \left\{ v^2 [F - (Q^2 - J^2) F'] - (Q^2 + J^2) F' \right\}$$

$$\frac{dv}{d\tau} = \frac{(1 - v^2)}{F - 2Q^2 F'} \left\{ \frac{k(v)}{L_c \sqrt{F - 2Q^2 F'}} (F + 2J^2 F') - 2v \frac{\dot{a}}{a} [F - (Q^2 - J^2) F'] \right\}$$

$$\frac{dJ^2}{d\tau} = 2J^2 \left[\frac{vk(v)}{L_c \sqrt{F - 2Q^2 F'}} - \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \right]$$

$$\frac{dQ^2}{d\tau} = 2Q^2 \frac{F' + 2J^2 F''}{F' + 2Q^2 F''} \left[\frac{vk(v)}{L_c \sqrt{F - 2Q^2 F'}} - \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \right]$$

Chirality

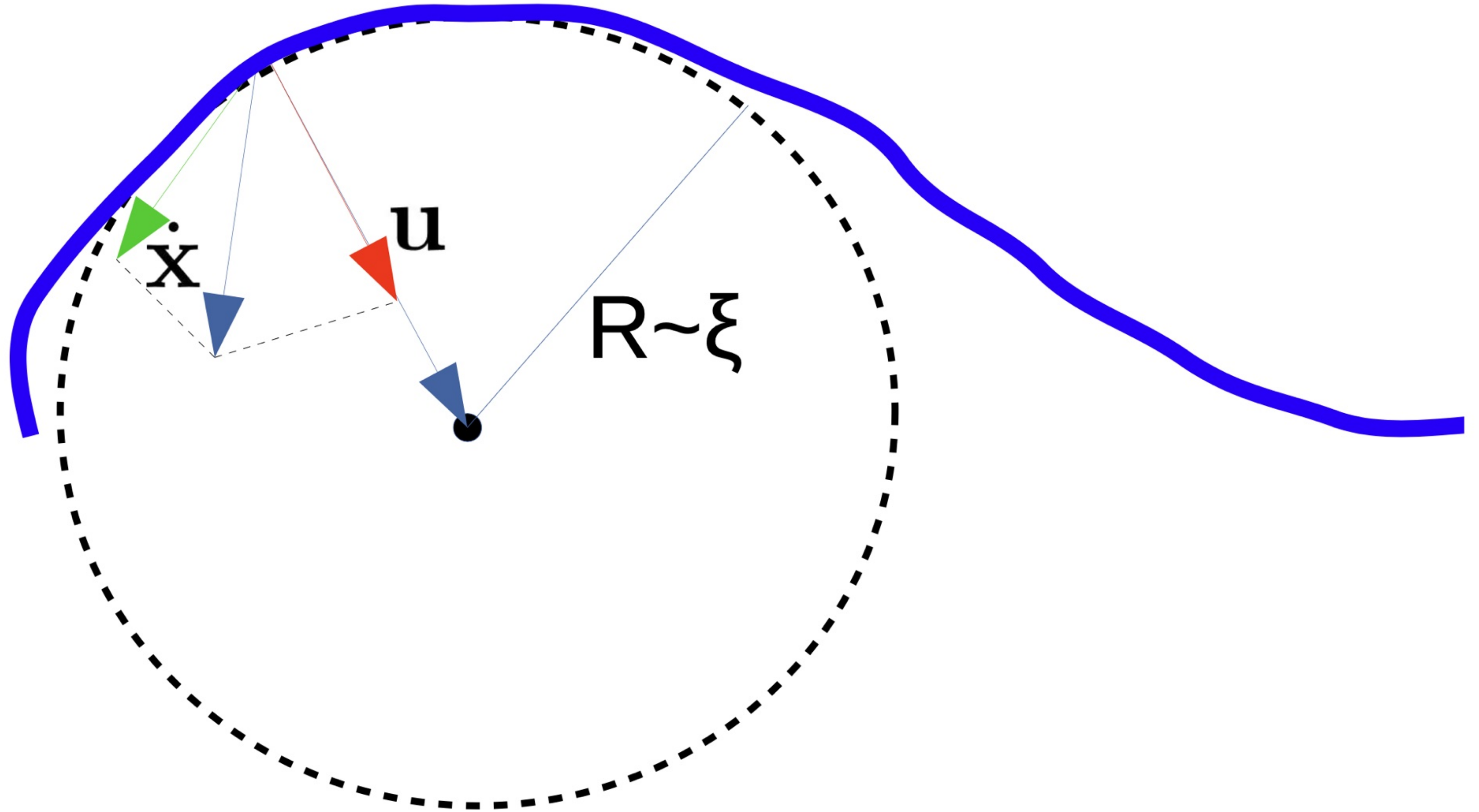
$$K = Q^2 - J^2$$

Charge

$$Y = \frac{1}{2}(Q^2 + J^2)$$

Momentum parameter:

$$k(v) \equiv \frac{\langle (1 - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^2)(\dot{\mathbf{X}} \cdot \mathbf{u}) \rangle}{v(1 - v^2)}$$



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From Nambu-Goto network simulations

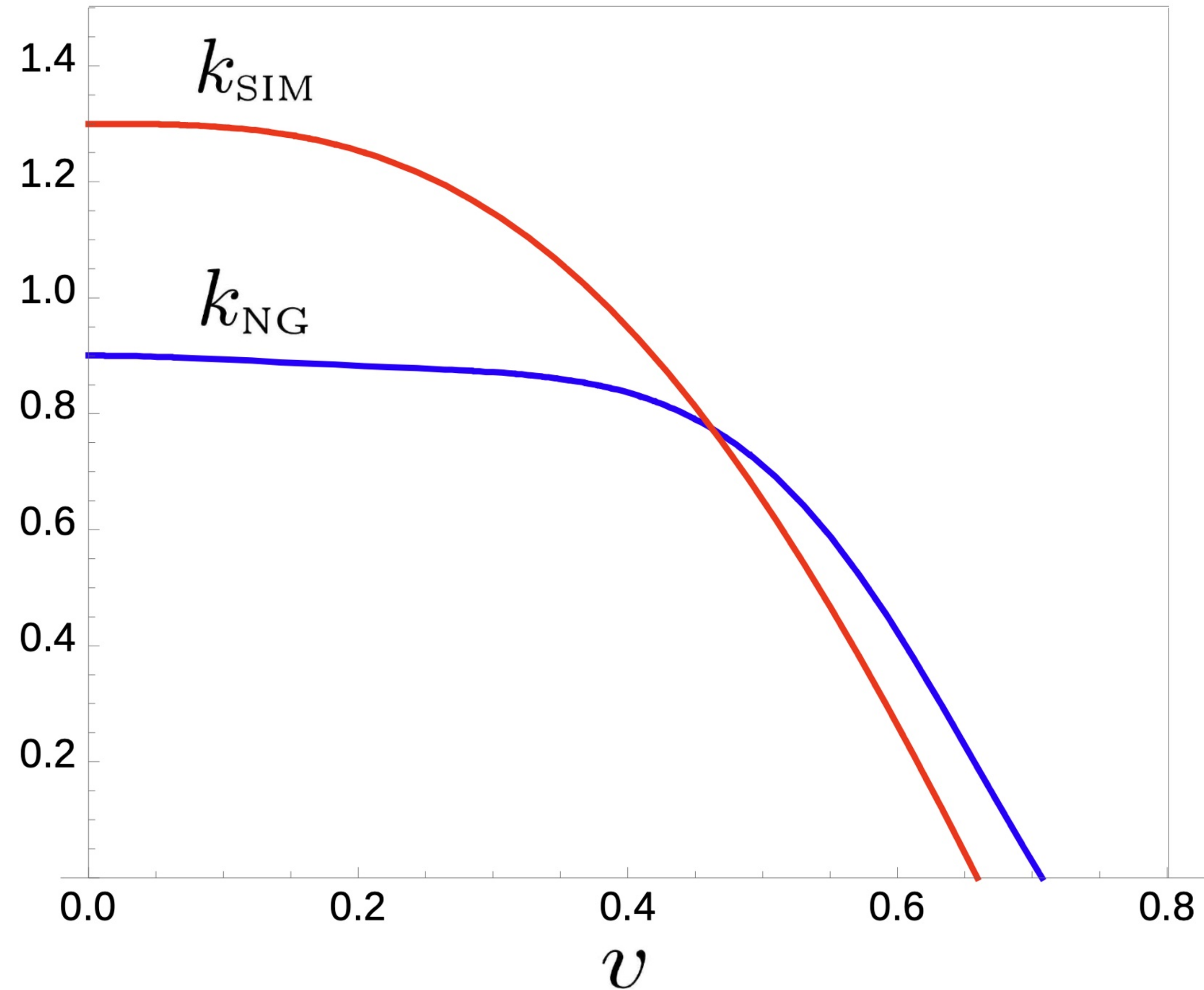
$$k_{\text{NG}}(v) = \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\pi} \frac{1 - 8v^6}{1 + 8v^6} (1 - v^2) (1 + 2\sqrt{2}v^3)$$

From Abelian-Higgs simulations

$$k_{\text{SIM}}(v) = k_0 \frac{1 - (\alpha v^2)^\beta}{1 + (\alpha v^2)^\beta}$$

Momentum parameter:

$$k(v) \equiv \frac{\left\langle (1 - \dot{\mathbf{X}}^2)(\dot{\mathbf{X}} \cdot \mathbf{u}) \right\rangle}{v(1 - v^2)}$$



Phenomenological parameter:

◆ loop chopping efficiency $\left. \frac{dE_0}{d\tau} \right|_{\text{loops}} = - c v \frac{E_0}{\xi_c}$

($c \simeq 0.23$ in ordinary “VOS” model)

◆ current chopping efficiency $\left. \frac{dE}{d\tau} \right|_{\text{loops}} = - g c v \frac{E}{\xi_c}$

◆ charge leakage $\left. \frac{dY}{d\tau} \right|_{\text{leakage}} = - A \frac{Y}{\xi_c} = - A \frac{Y}{L_c \sqrt{F - 2Q^2 F'}} \rightarrow \frac{Y}{L_c \sqrt{1 + Y}}$

Universe expansion:

$$a(\tau) = a_{\text{eq}} \left[2 \left(\frac{\tau}{\tau_{\text{eq}}} \right) + \left(\frac{\tau}{\tau_{\text{eq}}} \right)^2 \right]$$

Scaling solution

$$L_c = \zeta \tau \quad \text{with} \quad \dot{\zeta} = 0$$

$$\dot{v} = 0$$

$$\dot{Y} = \dot{K} = 0$$

Linear regime $F(K) = 1 - \frac{\kappa_0}{2} K$

$$\dot{\zeta} \tau = \frac{v^2 + Y}{1 + Y} \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \zeta + \frac{gcv(1 + Y) + AY}{2(1 + Y)^{3/2}} - \zeta$$

$$\dot{v} \tau = \frac{1 - v^2}{1 + Y} \left[\frac{k(1 - Y)}{\zeta \sqrt{1 + Y}} - 2v \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \right]$$

$$\dot{Y} \tau = 2Y \left(\frac{vk}{\zeta \sqrt{1 + Y}} - \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \right) - \frac{vc(g - 1)}{\zeta} \sqrt{1 + Y} - \frac{AY}{\zeta \sqrt{1 + Y}}$$

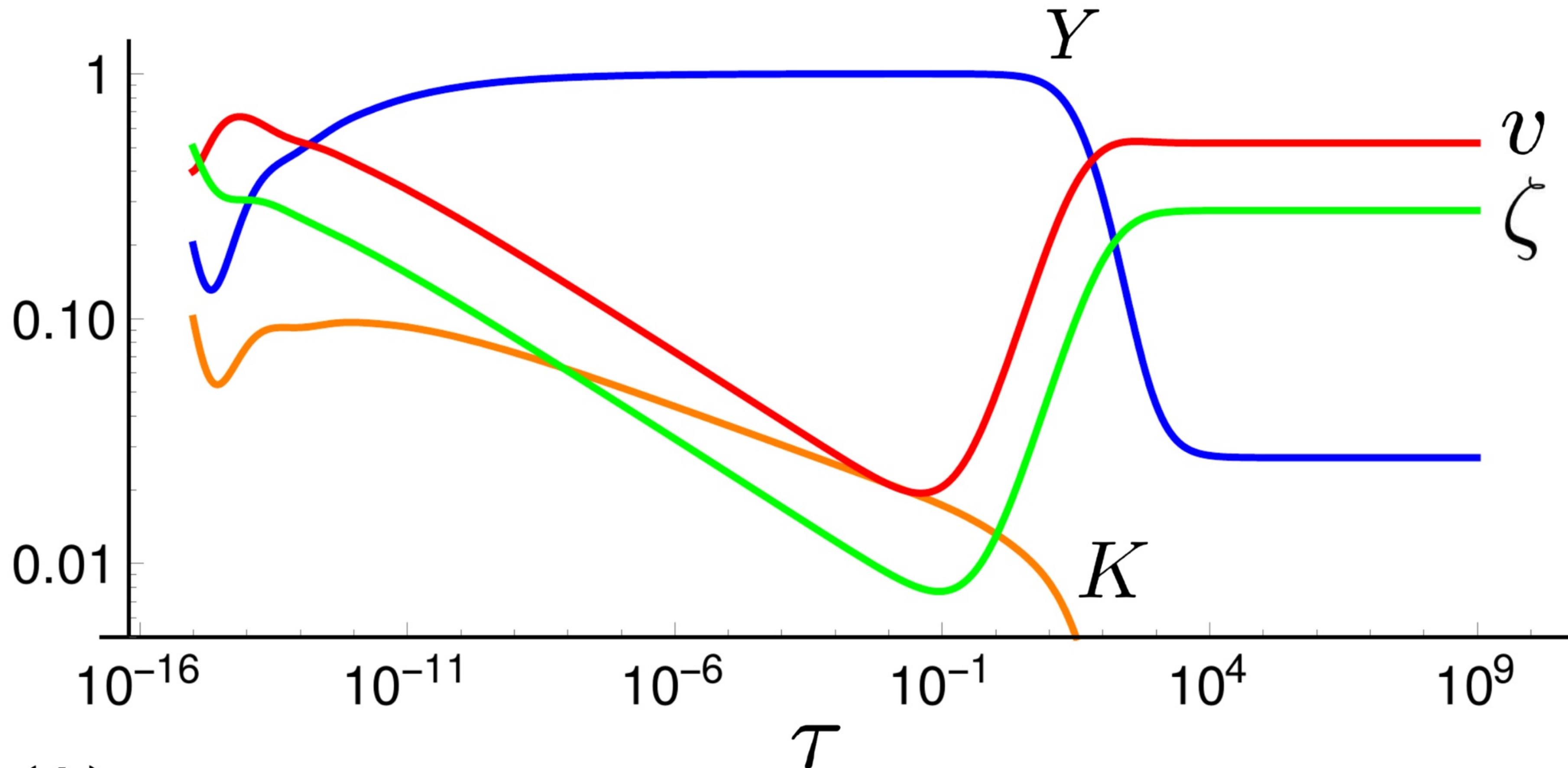
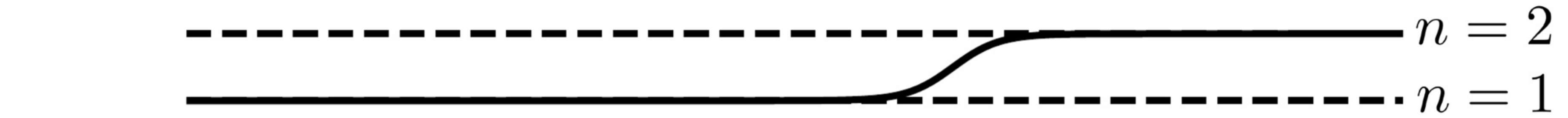
$$\dot{K} = 2K \left(\frac{vk}{L_c \sqrt{1 + Y}} - \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \right) - \frac{2(1 - 2\rho_A)AY}{L_c \sqrt{1 + Y}} - 2 \frac{v}{L_c} c (g - 1) (1 - 2\rho) \sqrt{1 + Y}$$

Dynamical solutions

No leakage

$$g = g_o = 0.9 \quad c_o = 0.5 \quad k(v) = k_o = 0.6$$

$$a \propto \tau^n$$



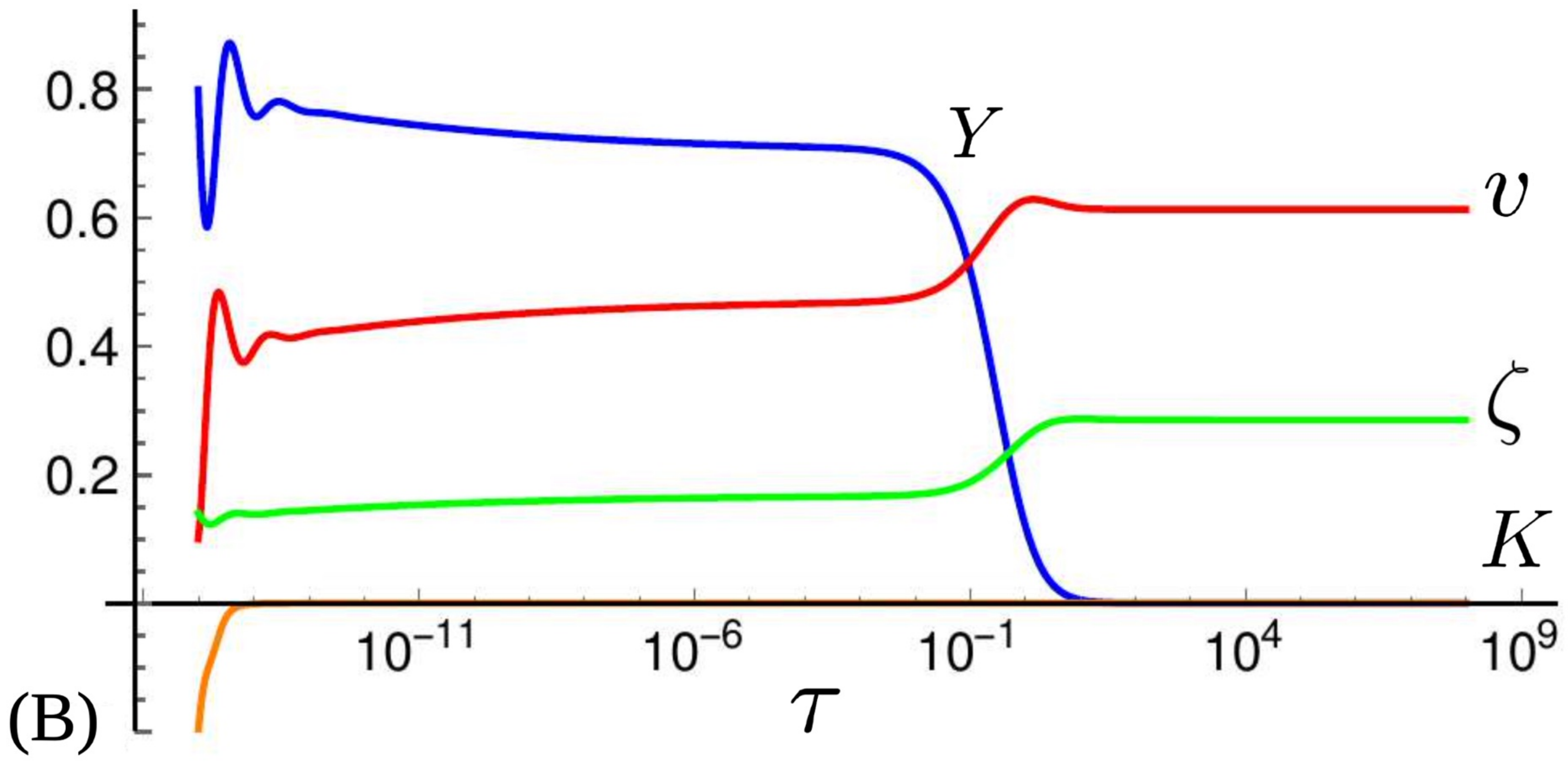
(A)

Dynamical solutions

No leakage $g = 1 + 2bY$

$c_o = 0.23$ $k(v) = k_o = 0.7$ $b = 0.6$

$a \propto \tau^n$

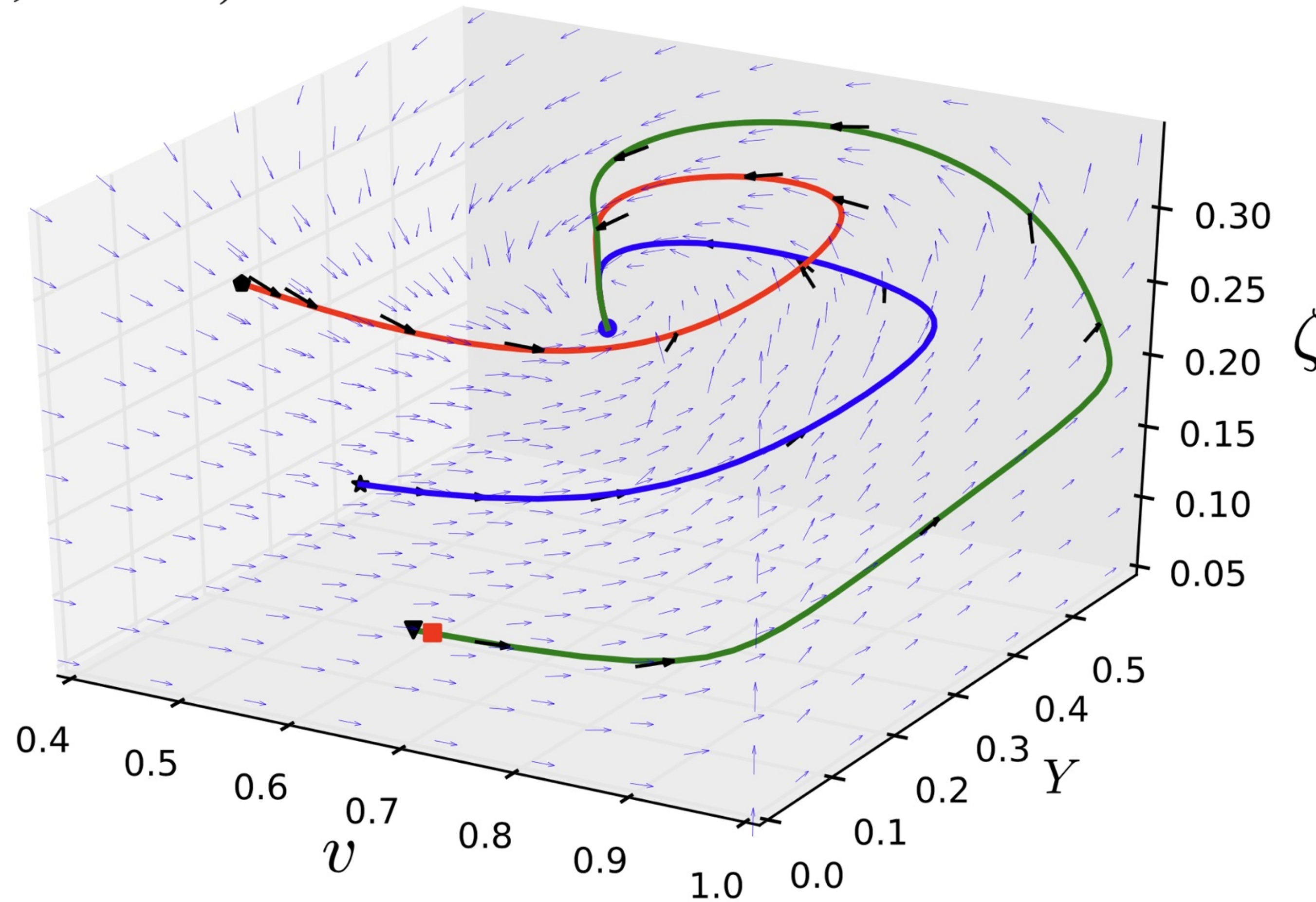


Dynamical solutions

No leakage $g = 1 + 2bY$

$c_o = 0.23$ $k(v) = k_o = 0.6$ $b = 0.4$

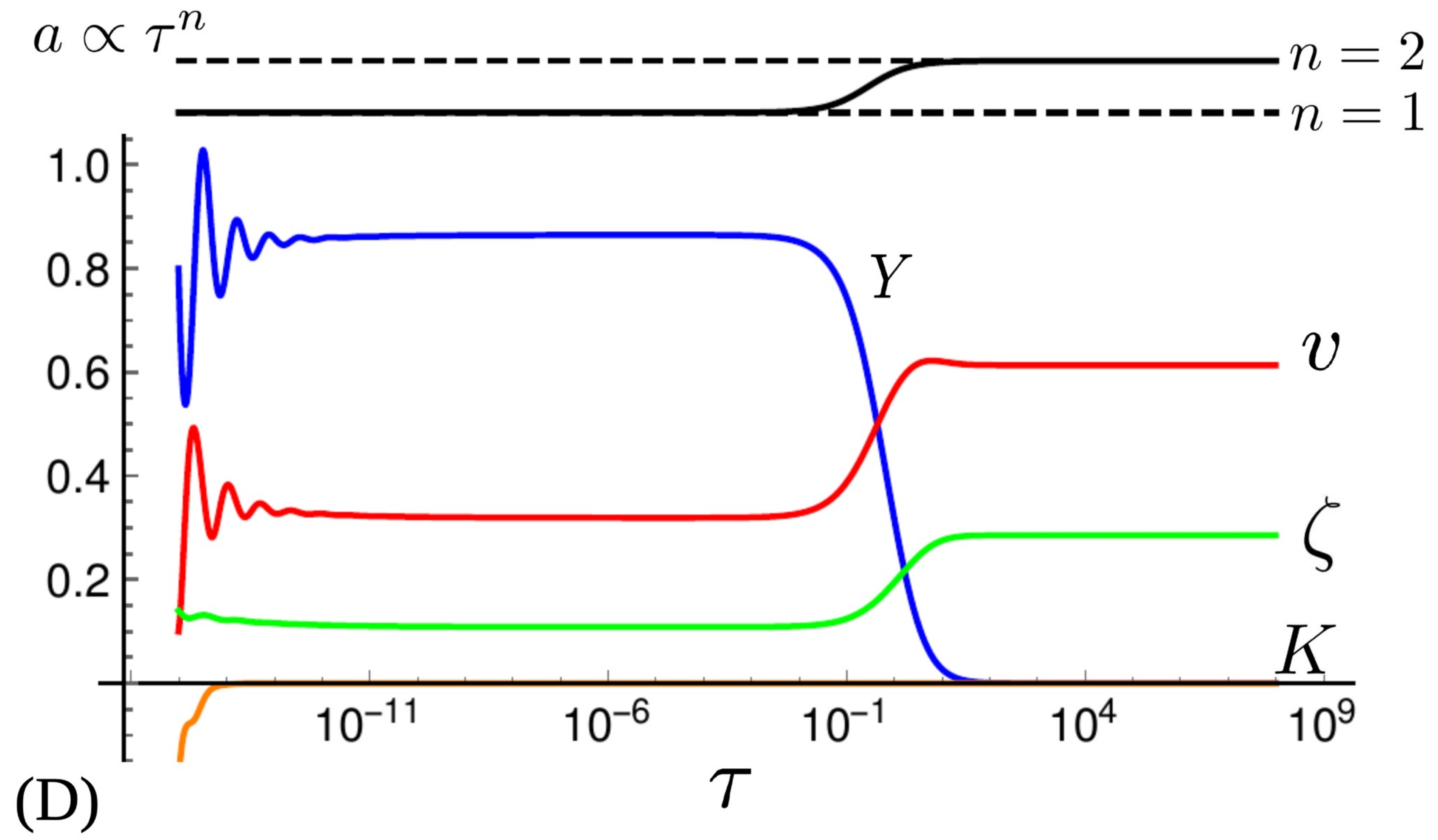
Attractor ($n = 1$, radiation)



Dynamical solutions

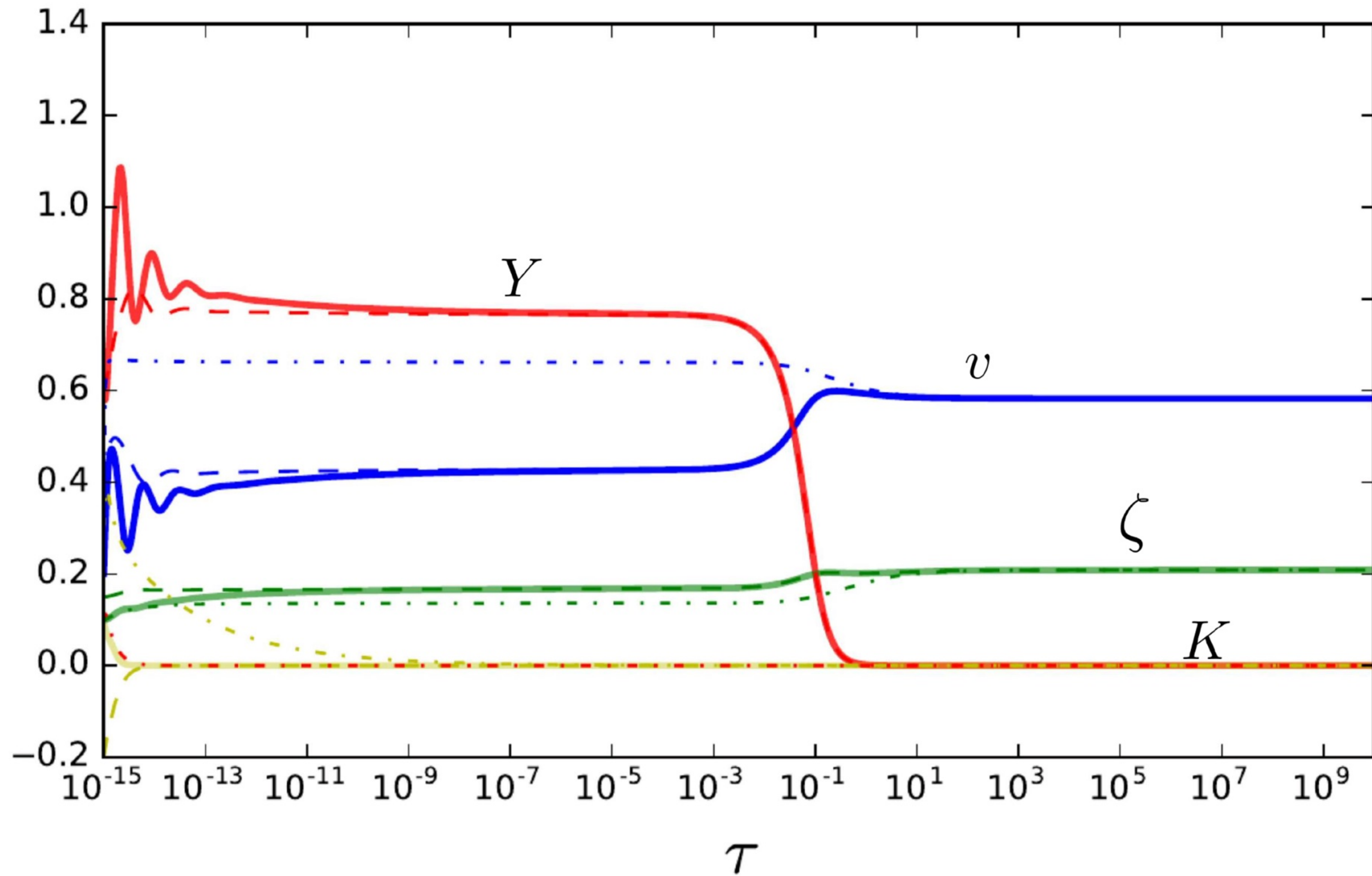
With leakage

$$c_o = 0.23 \quad k(v) = k_o = 0.7 \quad b = 0 \quad A = 0.6$$



Dynamical solutions

With leakage $g = 1 + 2bY$
 $c_o = 0.23$ $b = 0$ $A = 0.25$



Beyond the linear model

Relevant thermodynamical variables

$$Y = \frac{1}{2} (Q^2 + J^2) \quad \& \quad K = Q^2 - J^2 \implies Q^2 = Y + K/2 \quad \& \quad J^2 = Y - K/2$$

constraint

$$|K| \leq 2Y$$

Charge and current leakage

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{dQ^2}{d\tau} \Big|_{\text{leak}} &= -A \frac{Q^2}{\xi_C} \\ \frac{dJ^2}{d\tau} \Big|_{\text{leak}} &= -B \frac{J^2}{\xi_C} \end{aligned} \right\} \implies \left\{ \begin{aligned} \frac{dY}{d\tau} \Big|_{\text{leak}} &= -\frac{1}{2\xi_C} \left(A_+ Y + A_- \frac{K}{2} \right) \\ \frac{dK}{d\tau} \Big|_{\text{leak}} &= -\frac{1}{\xi_C} \left(A_- Y + A_+ \frac{K}{2} \right) \end{aligned} \right.$$

Loop chopping bias

$$\left. \frac{dQ^2}{d\tau} \right|_{\text{loops}} = -g_Q \frac{cv}{\xi_C} Q^2$$

$$\left. \frac{dJ^2}{d\tau} \right|_{\text{loops}} = -g_J \frac{cv}{\xi_C} J^2$$

Relation with linear bias

$$g = 1 - g_Q \frac{F' + 2Q^2 F''}{F - 2Q^2 F'} Q^2 - g_J \frac{F' - 2Q^2 F''}{F - 2Q^2 F'} J^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \dot{Y} \Big|_{\text{loops}} = -\frac{cv}{2\xi_C} \left(g_+ Y + g_- \frac{K}{2} \right) \\ \dot{K} \Big|_{\text{loops}} = -\frac{cv}{\xi_C} \left(g_- Y + g_+ \frac{K}{2} \right) \end{array} \right.$$

Modified equations of motion in terms of $\xi_C = \epsilon\tau$

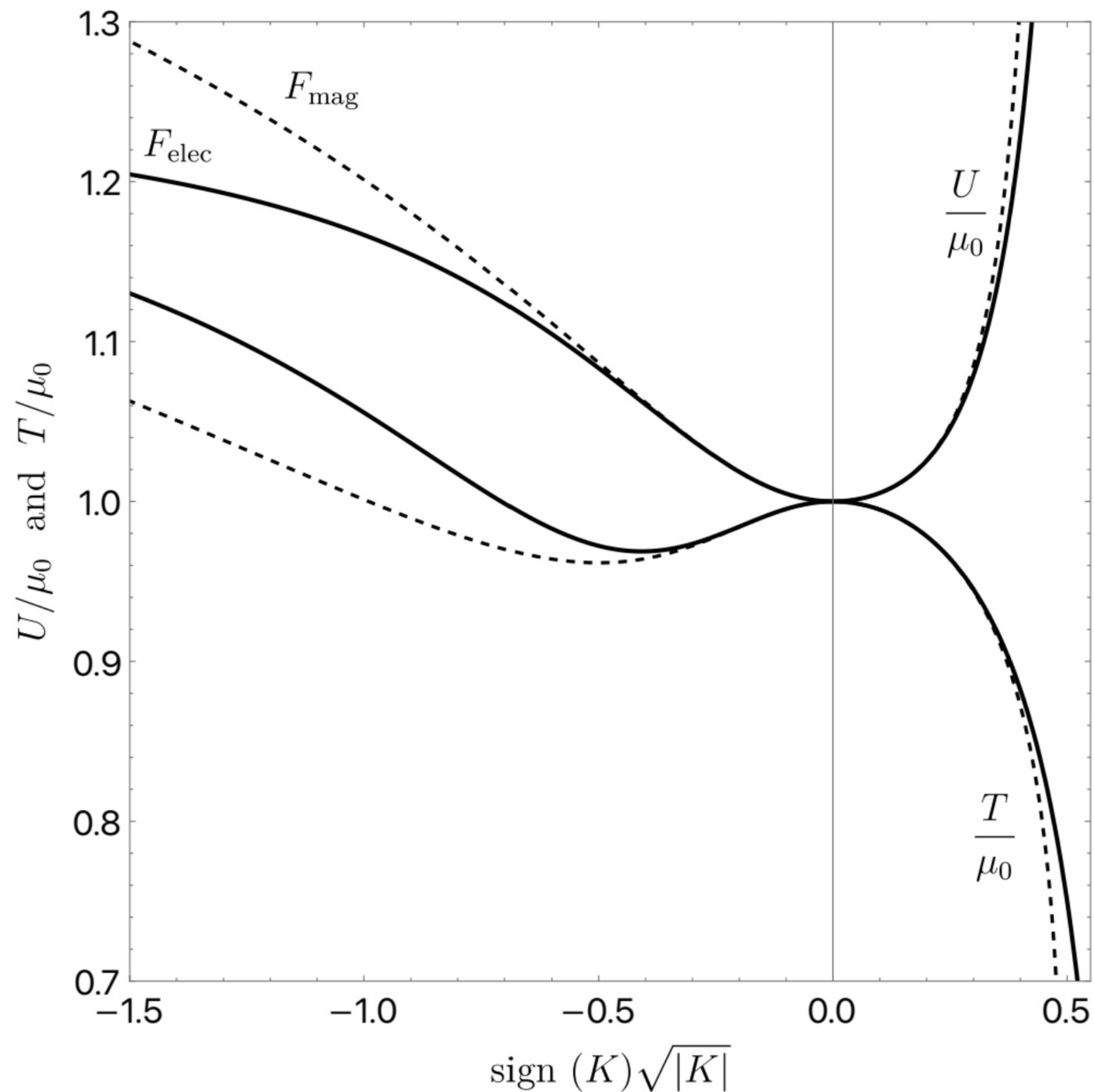
(definition : $\xi_C = \sqrt{F - 2Q^2 F' L_C} =: W L_C$)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \dot{\epsilon}\tau = \frac{1}{W^2} [n\epsilon v^2 (F - F'K) - 2vkY F'] + \frac{1}{2}cv - \epsilon \\ \dot{v}\tau = \frac{1-v^2}{W^2} \left\{ \frac{k}{\epsilon} \left[F + 2 \left(Y - \frac{K}{2} \right) F' \right] - 2vn (F - F'K) \right\} \\ \dot{Y}\tau = \left(\frac{vk}{\epsilon} - n \right) \frac{2Y F' + (4Y^2 - K^2) F''}{F' + (2Y + K) F''} - \frac{cv}{2\epsilon} \left(g_+ Y + g_- \frac{K}{2} \right) - \frac{2A_+ Y + A_- K}{4\epsilon} \\ \dot{K}\tau = 2 \left(\frac{vk}{\epsilon} - n \right) \frac{F' K}{F' + (2Y + K) F''} - \frac{cv}{\epsilon} \left(g_- Y + g_+ \frac{K}{2} \right) - \frac{2A_- Y + A_+ K}{2\epsilon} \end{array} \right.$$

Enhancement of charge / current loss for $Y \gtrsim Y_{\text{cr}}$:

$$A_{\pm}(Y) = \frac{A_{\text{const}}}{1 - e^{-(Y - Y_{\text{cr}})^2}}$$

$$Y_{\text{cr}} = \frac{2}{3\alpha}$$

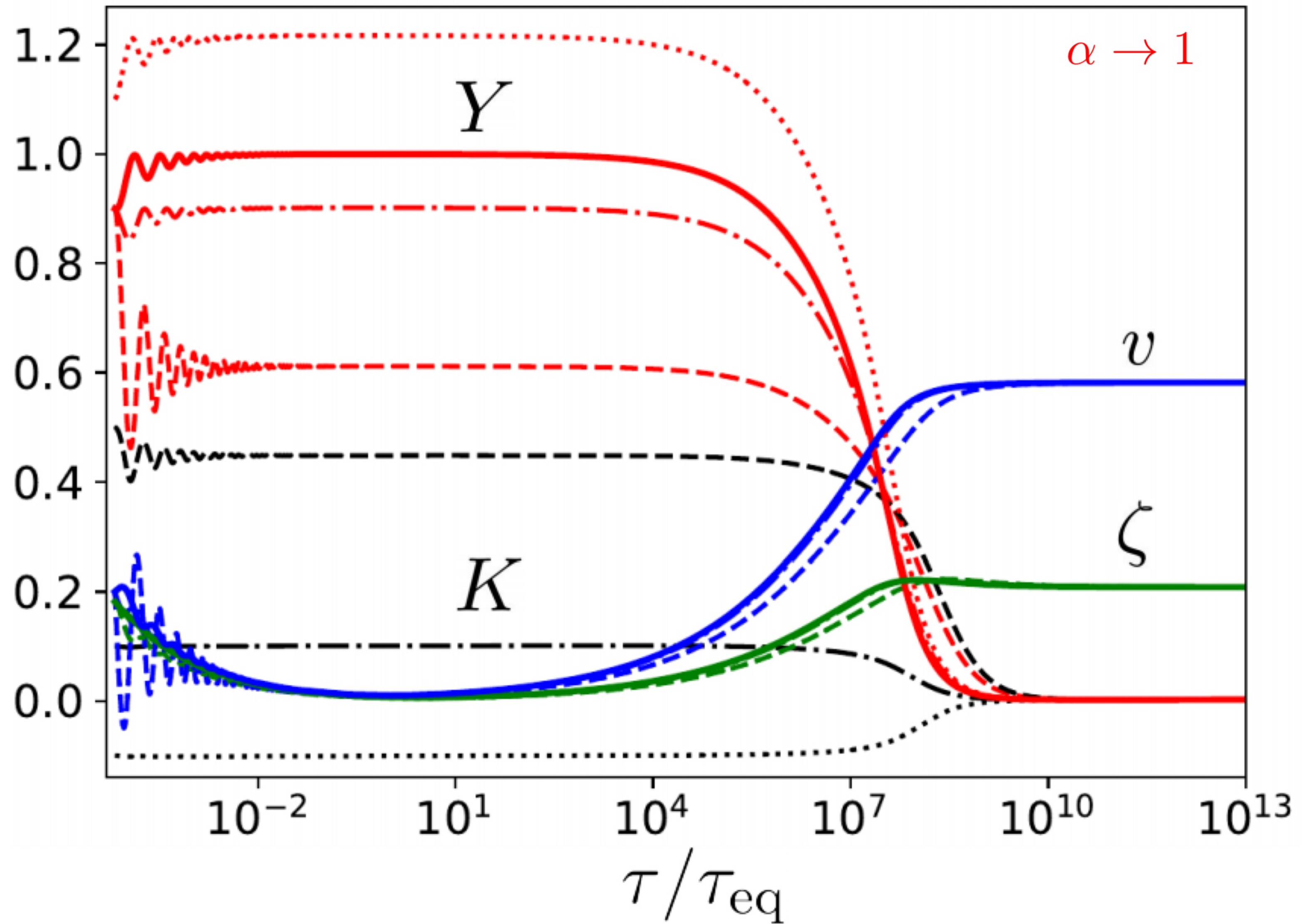


$$F_{\text{mag}}(K) = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{K}{1 - \alpha K} \text{ for } K \leq 0$$

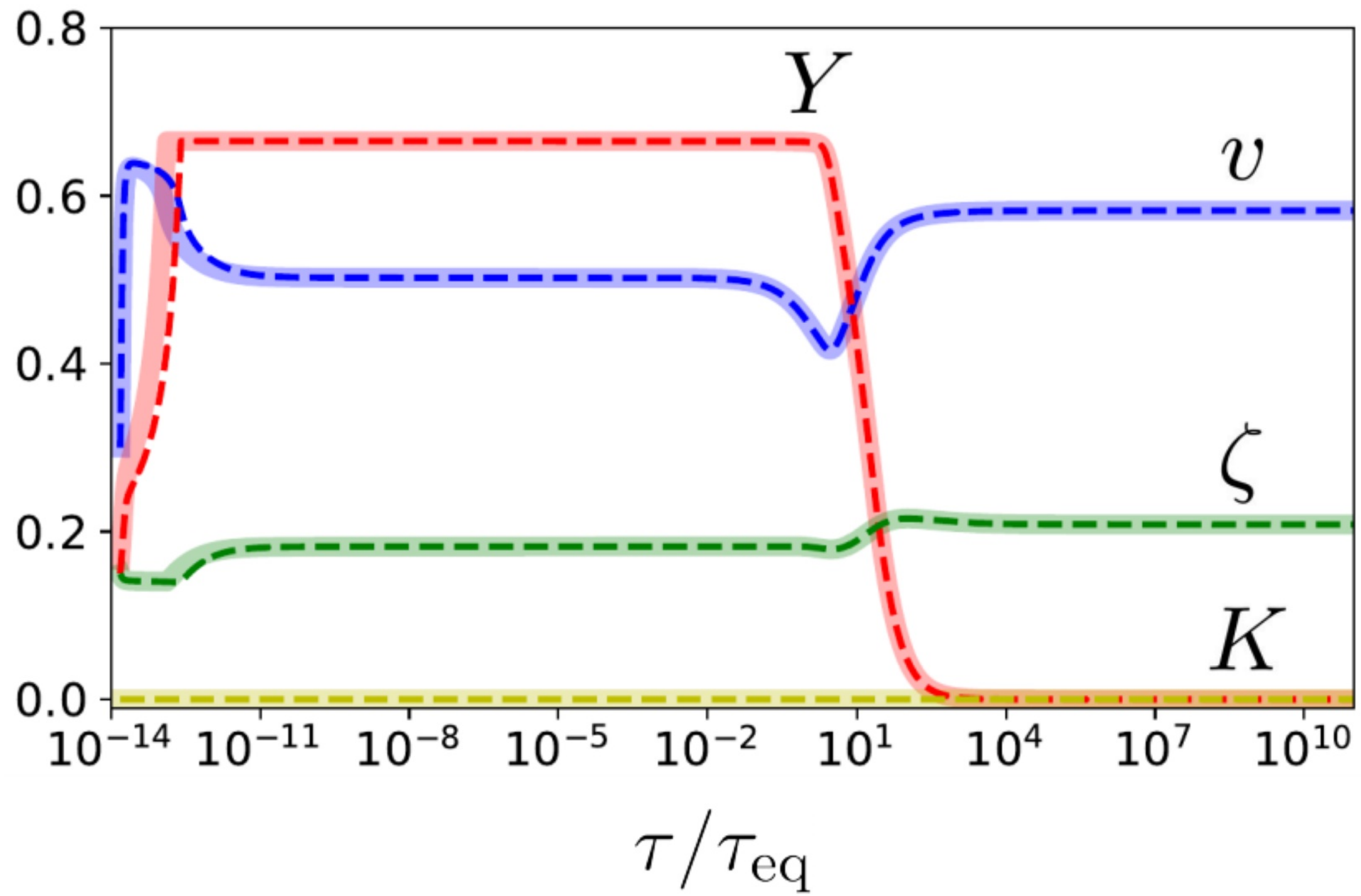
$$F_{\text{elec}}(K) = 1 + \frac{\ln(1 - 2\alpha K)}{4\alpha} \text{ for } K \geq 0$$

$$\alpha = \left(\frac{m_{\text{H}}}{m_{\sigma}} \right)^2 \gg 1$$

Case with no leakage: *frozen network*



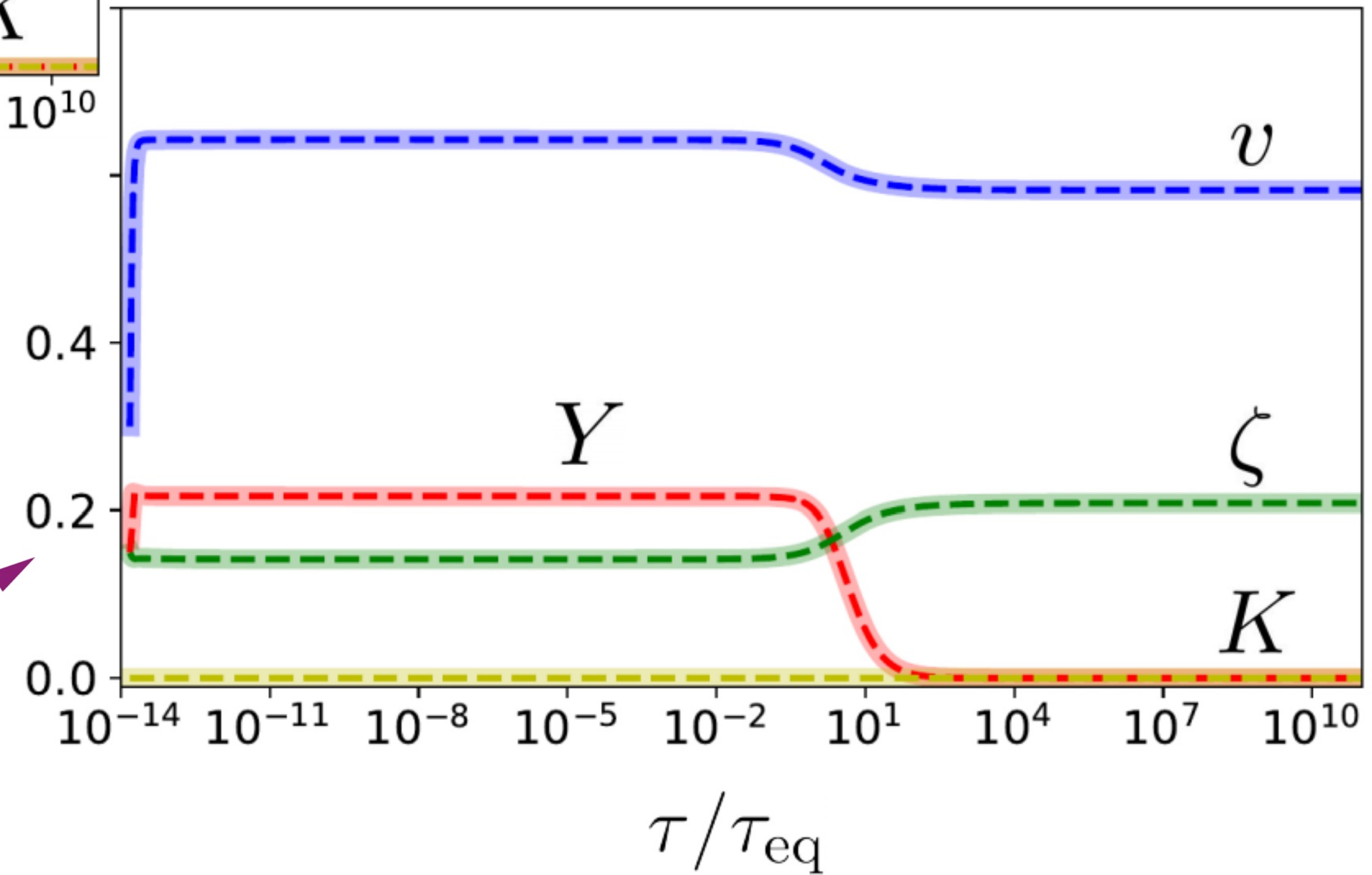
Leakage and no bias: *linear regime*



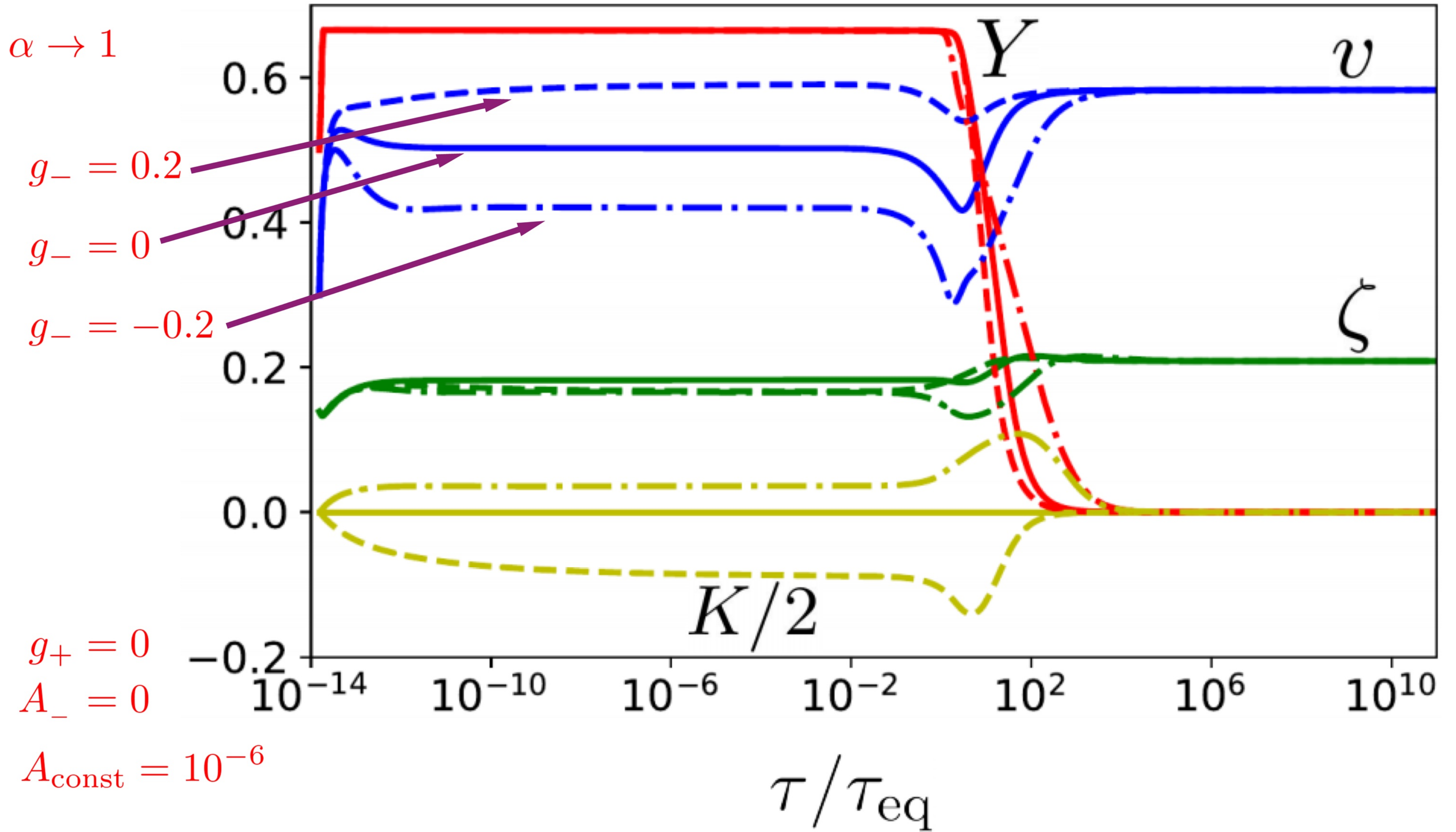
$\alpha \rightarrow 1$

$g_{\pm} = 0$
 $A_- = 0$
 $A_{\text{const}} = 10^{-6}$

$\alpha \rightarrow 3$



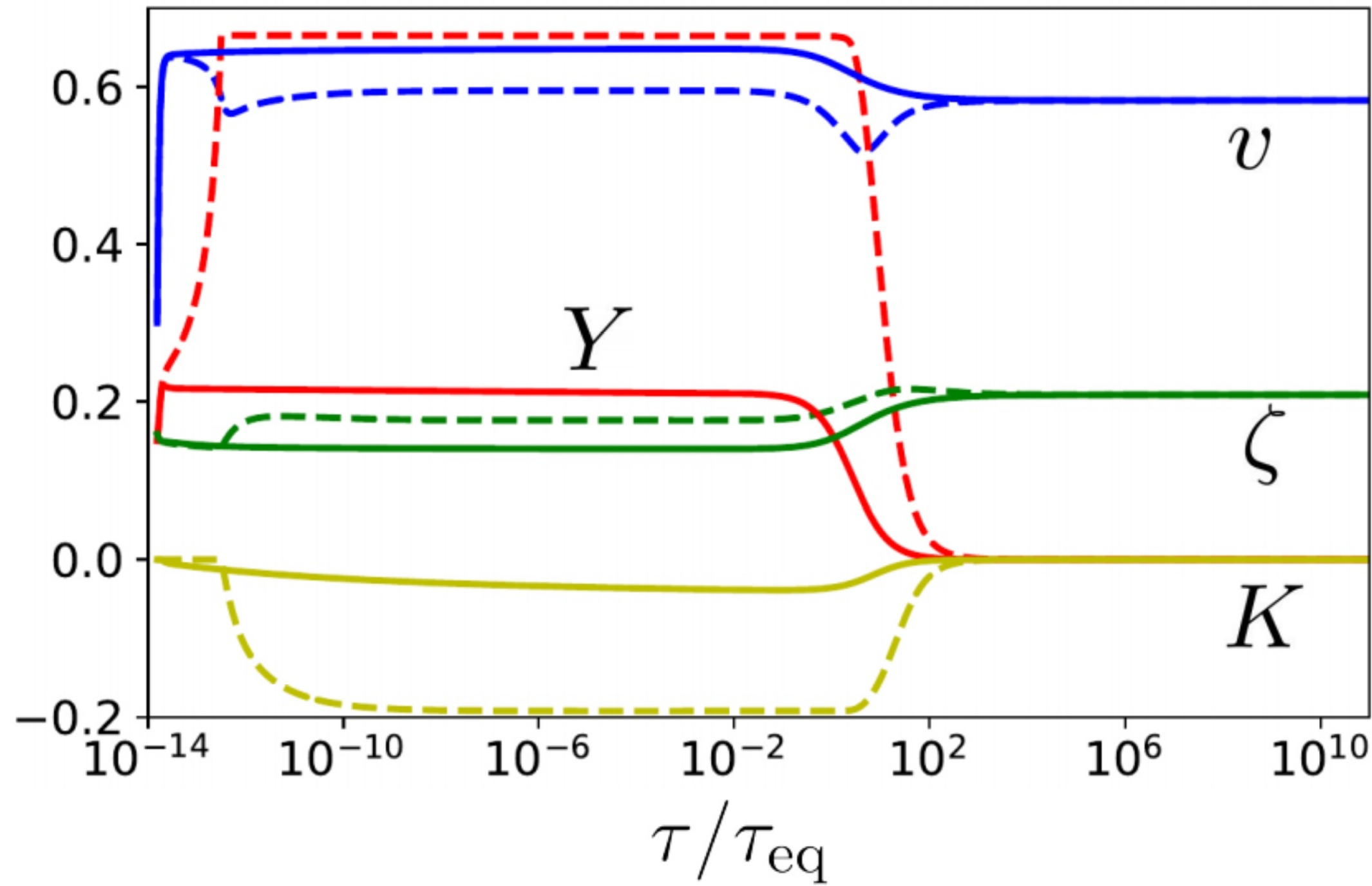
Leakage and bias: *full Witten regime*



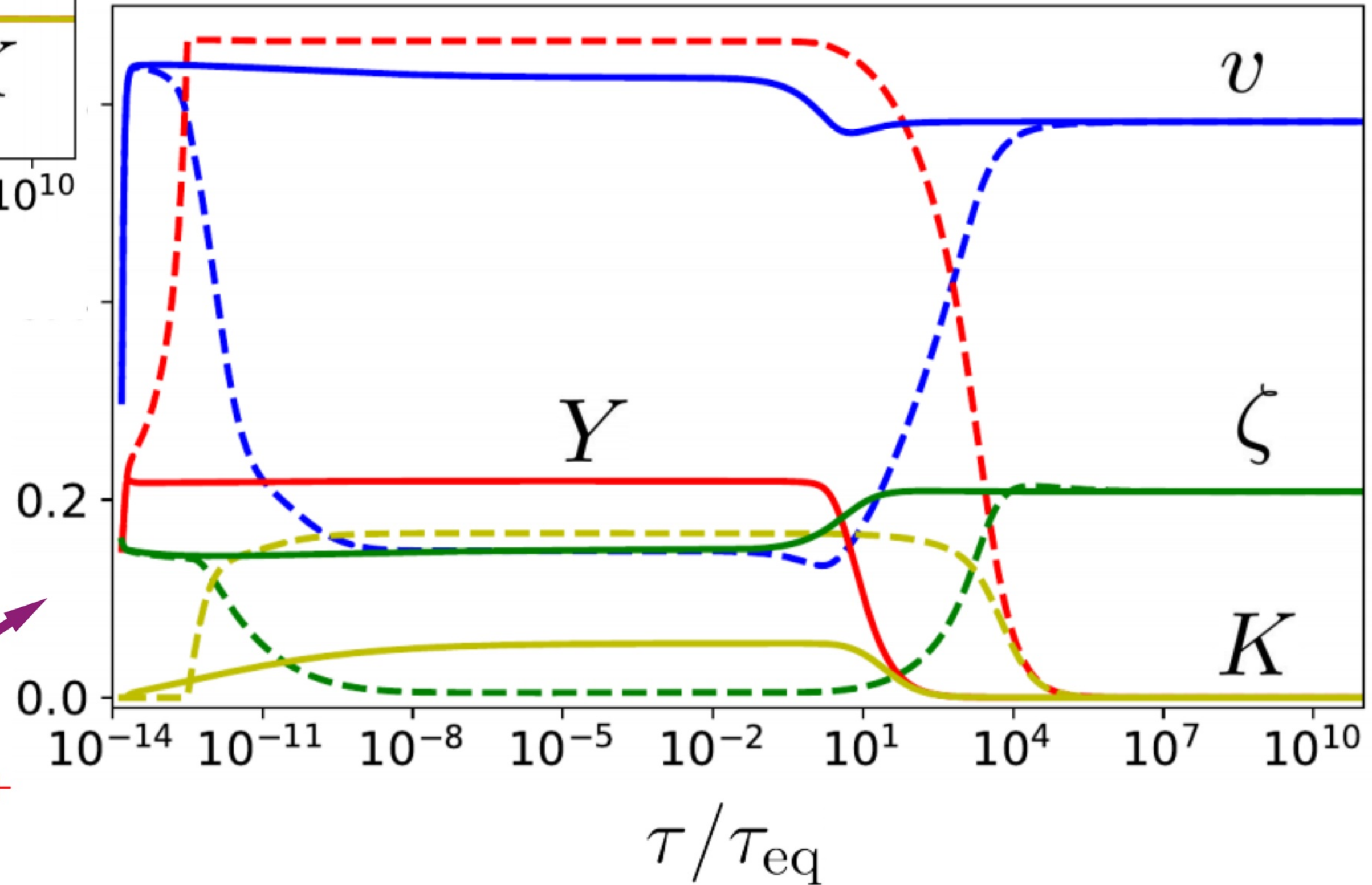
Leakage and bias: *full Witten regime*

$\alpha \rightarrow 1$ (dashed)

$\alpha \rightarrow 3$ (solid)



$A_- = 0.1A_+$



$g_{\pm} = 0$

$A_{\text{const}} = 10^{-6}$

$A_- = -0.1A_+$

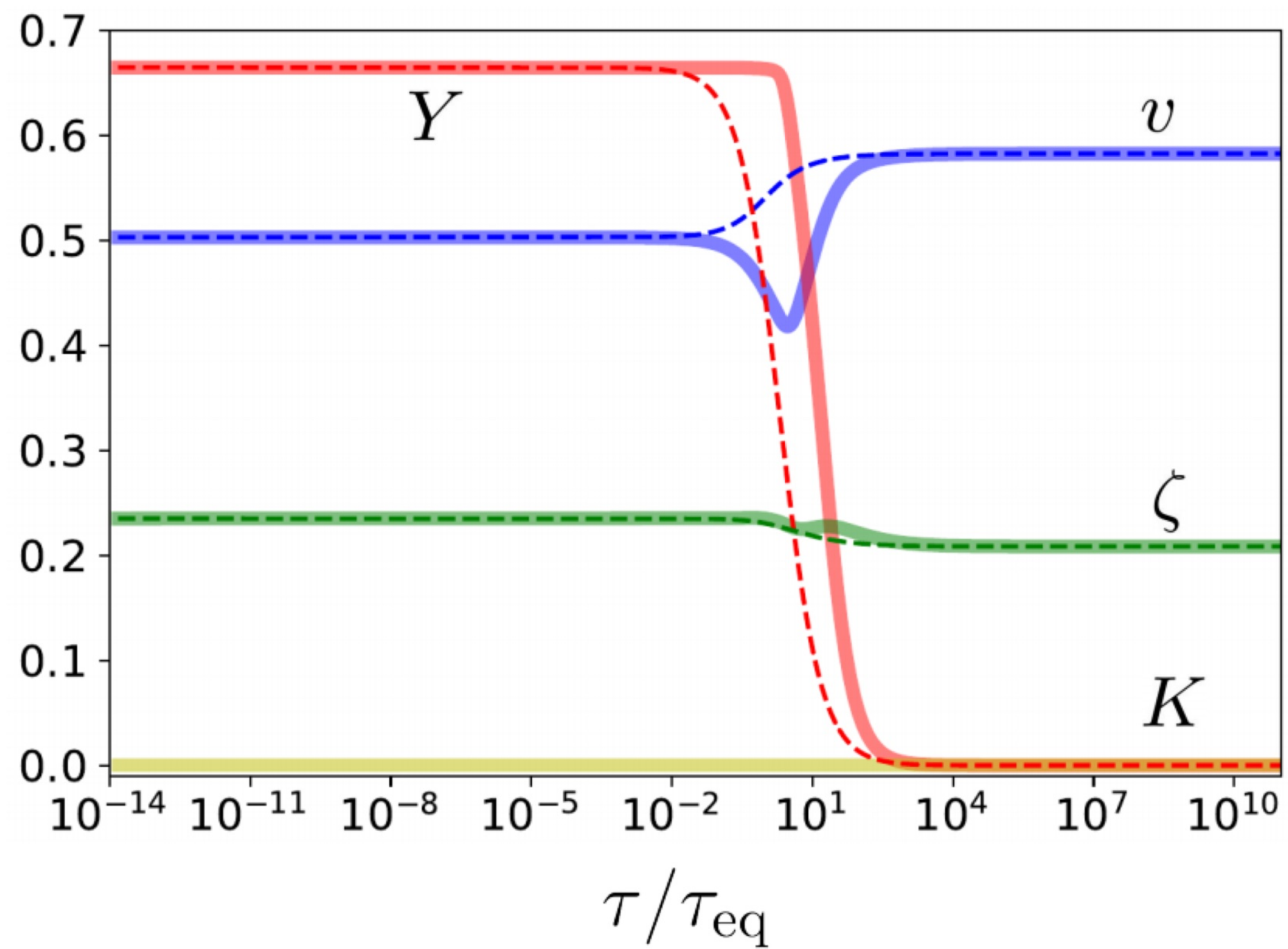
General behaviour of the network at this stage

- No leakage \implies frozen network
- Matter domination era \implies Nambu-Goto evolution
- Radiation domination era \implies non trivial charge / current **“linear”** scaling
- Radiation domination era \implies velocity & density Y – dependent scaling

$$\left. \begin{aligned}
 \frac{d\xi_c}{d\tau} &= \frac{\xi_c v^2}{1+Y} \frac{\dot{a}}{a} + \frac{cv}{2} + \frac{Y}{1+Y} vk(v) \\
 \frac{dv}{d\tau} &= \frac{(1-v^2)}{1+Y} \left[\frac{k(v)(1-Y)}{\xi_c} - 2v \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \right] \\
 \frac{dY}{d\tau} &= 2Y \left[\frac{vk(v)}{\xi_c} - \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \right] - \frac{Y}{\xi_c} A(Y) \\
 \frac{dK}{d\tau} &= 2K \left[\frac{vk(v)}{\xi_c} - \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \right] - \frac{K}{\xi_c} A(Y)
 \end{aligned} \right\} \xrightarrow{\text{green arrow}} \left\{ \begin{aligned}
 \frac{d\xi_c}{d\tau} &= \frac{\xi_c v^2}{1+Y_f} \frac{\dot{a}}{a} + \frac{cv}{2} + \frac{Y_f}{1+Y_f} vk(v) \\
 \frac{dv}{d\tau} &= \frac{(1-v^2)}{1+Y_f} \left[\frac{k(v)(1-Y_f)}{\xi_c} - 2v \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \right]
 \end{aligned} \right.$$

+ Heaviside Y – scaling

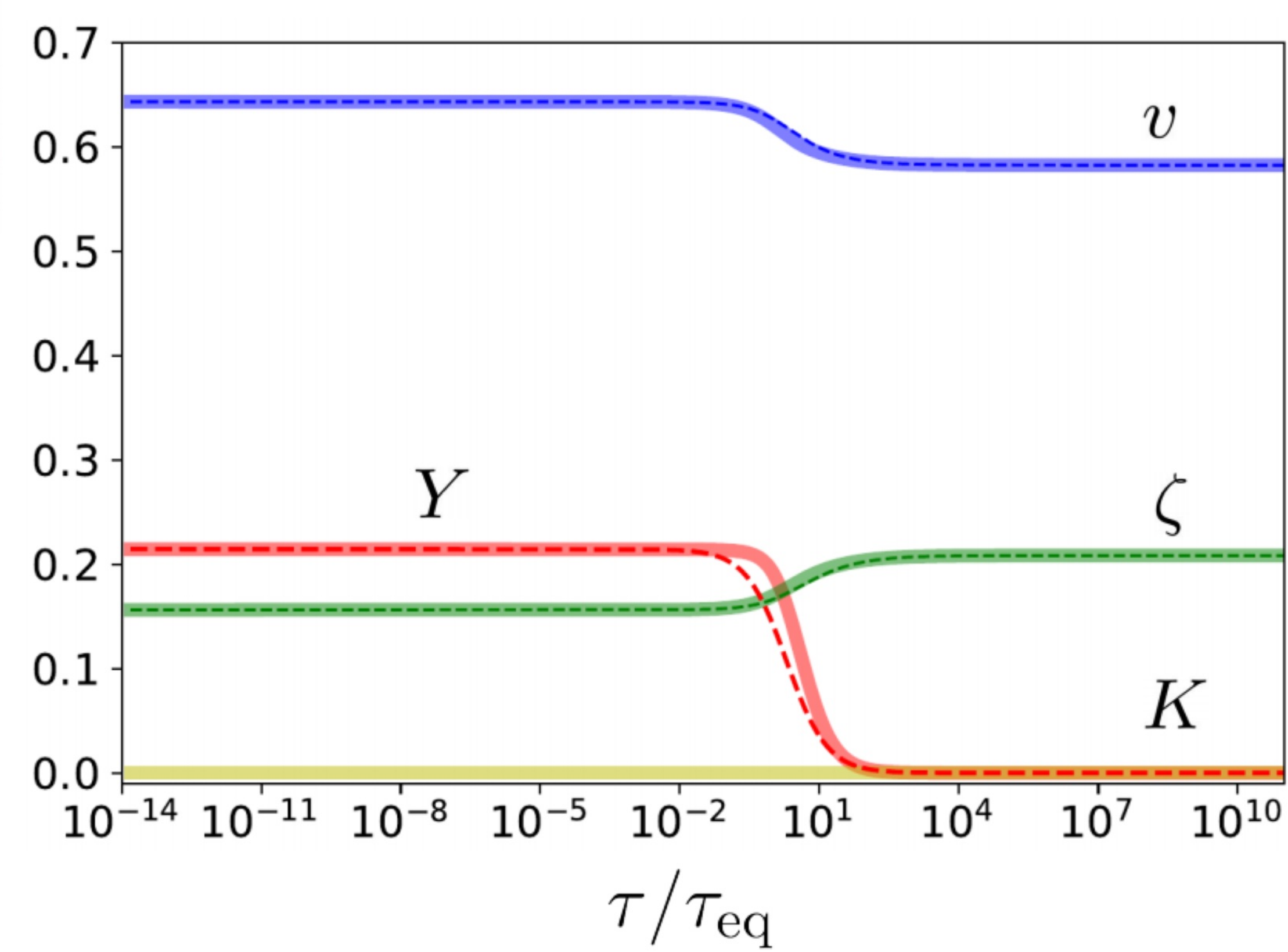
$$Y_f = Y_{sc} \left(2 - \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \tau \right) \Theta \left(2 - \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \tau \right)$$



Full system : solid line
Heaviside approximation : dashed line
 $\alpha \rightarrow 1$

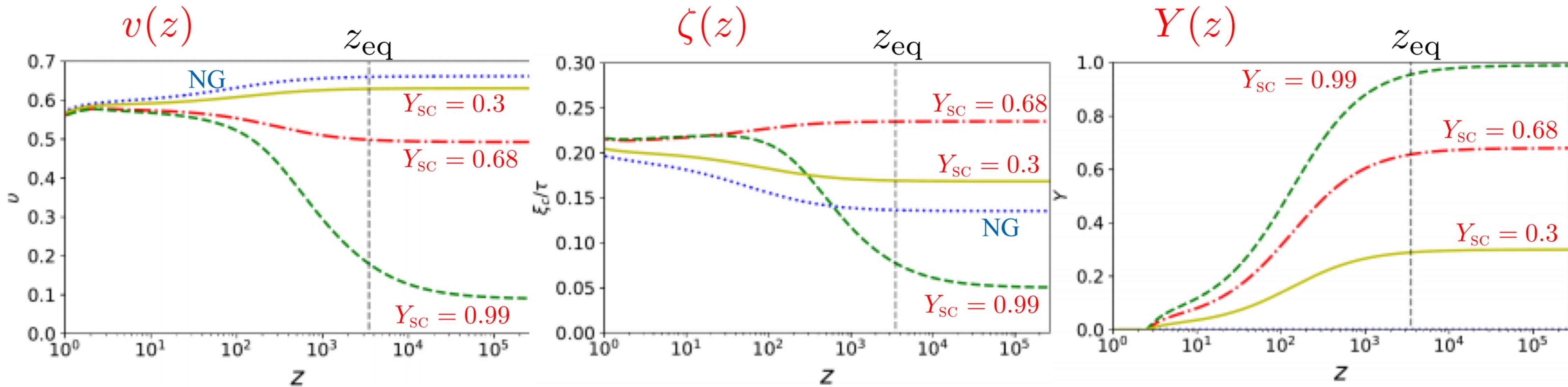
One-parameter ($Y_{\text{SC}}^{\text{rad}}$) model

$\alpha \rightarrow 3$

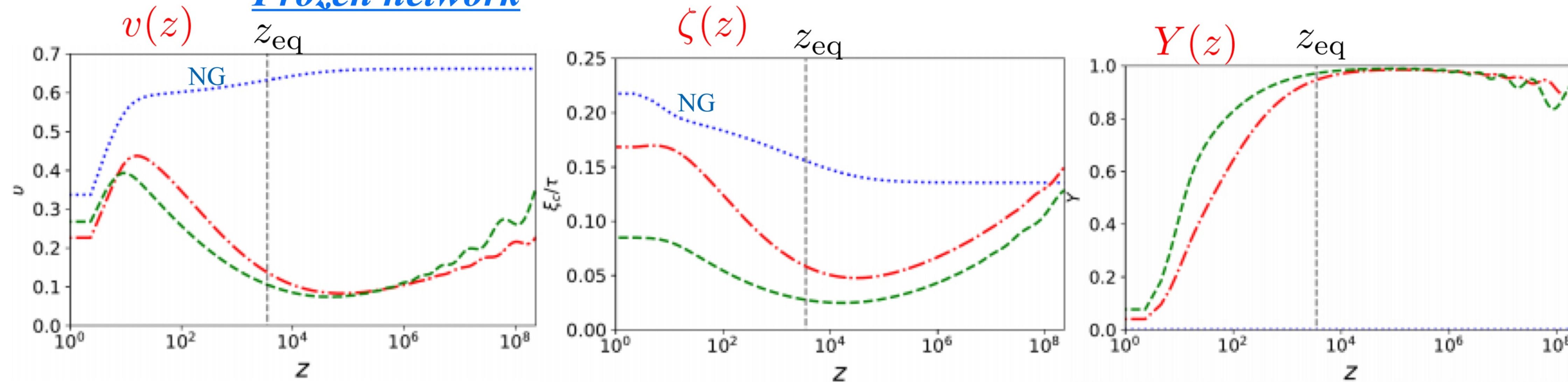


Observational setting (redshift)

Radiation scaling



Frozen network



CMBACT = CMB from ACTive sources...

$$T^{\mu\nu}(x^\lambda) = \frac{\mu_0}{\sqrt{-g}} \int d^2\sigma \sqrt{-\gamma} \delta^{(4)}[x^\lambda - X^\lambda(\sigma, \tau)] [(1+Y)\tilde{u}^\mu\tilde{u}^\nu - (1-Y)\tilde{v}^\mu\tilde{v}^\nu - Y(\tilde{u}^\mu\tilde{v}^\nu + \tilde{v}^\mu\tilde{u}^\nu)]$$

$$X^\mu = x_0^\mu + \sigma \hat{X}_1^\mu + \tau \hat{X}_2^\mu$$

$$\frac{\dot{X}^\mu}{\sqrt{\dot{X}^2}} \quad \frac{X'^\mu}{\sqrt{-X'^2}}$$

Straight segments approximation

Fourier transform

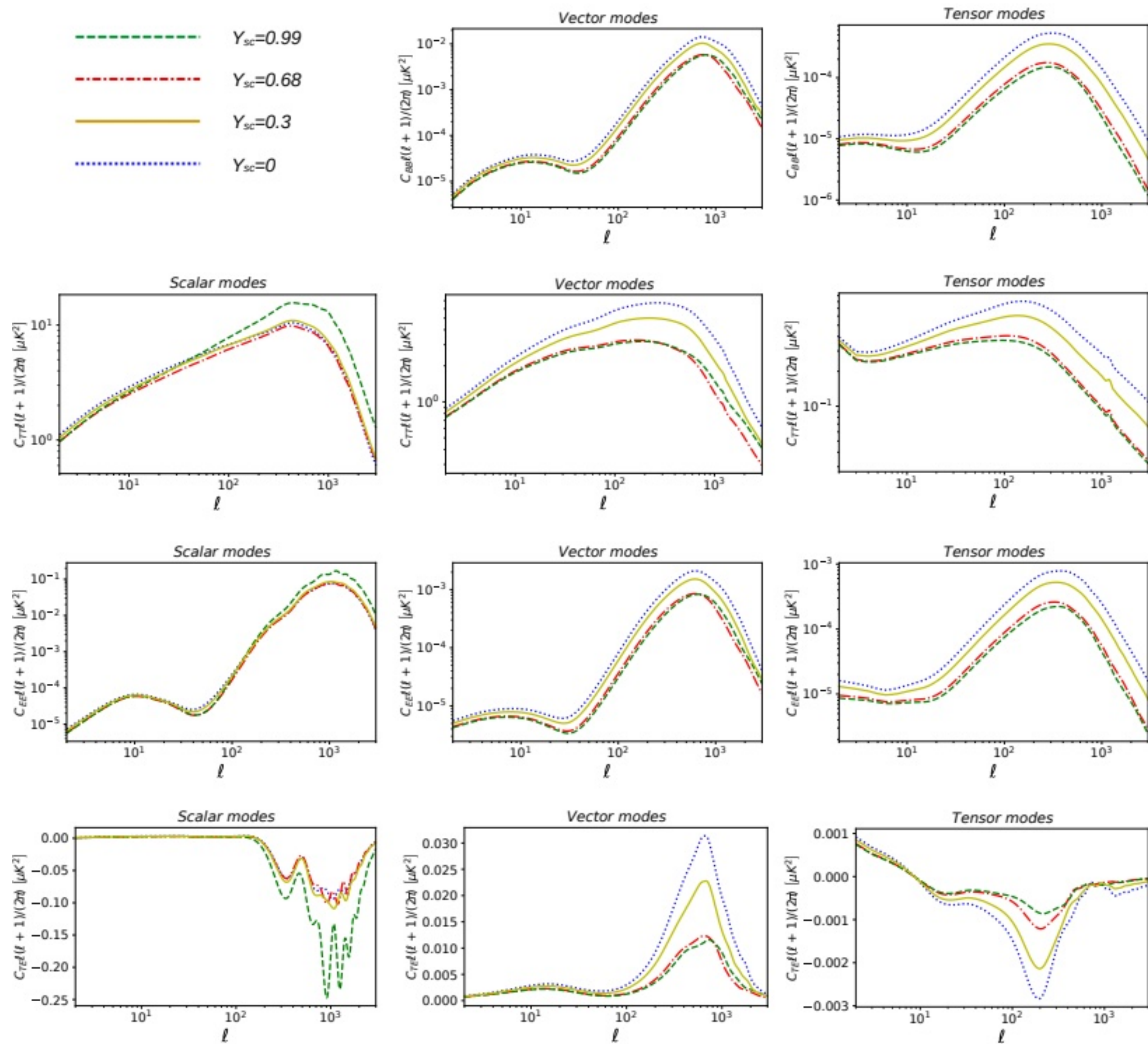
$$\Theta^{\mu\nu} = \mu_0 \int_{-\xi_c/2}^{\xi_c/2} \left[(1+Y) \frac{\dot{X}^\mu \dot{X}^\nu}{\sqrt{1-v^2}} - (1-Y) \sqrt{1-v^2} X'^\mu X'^\nu - Y (\dot{X}^\mu X'^\nu + X'^\mu \dot{X}^\nu) \right] d\sigma$$



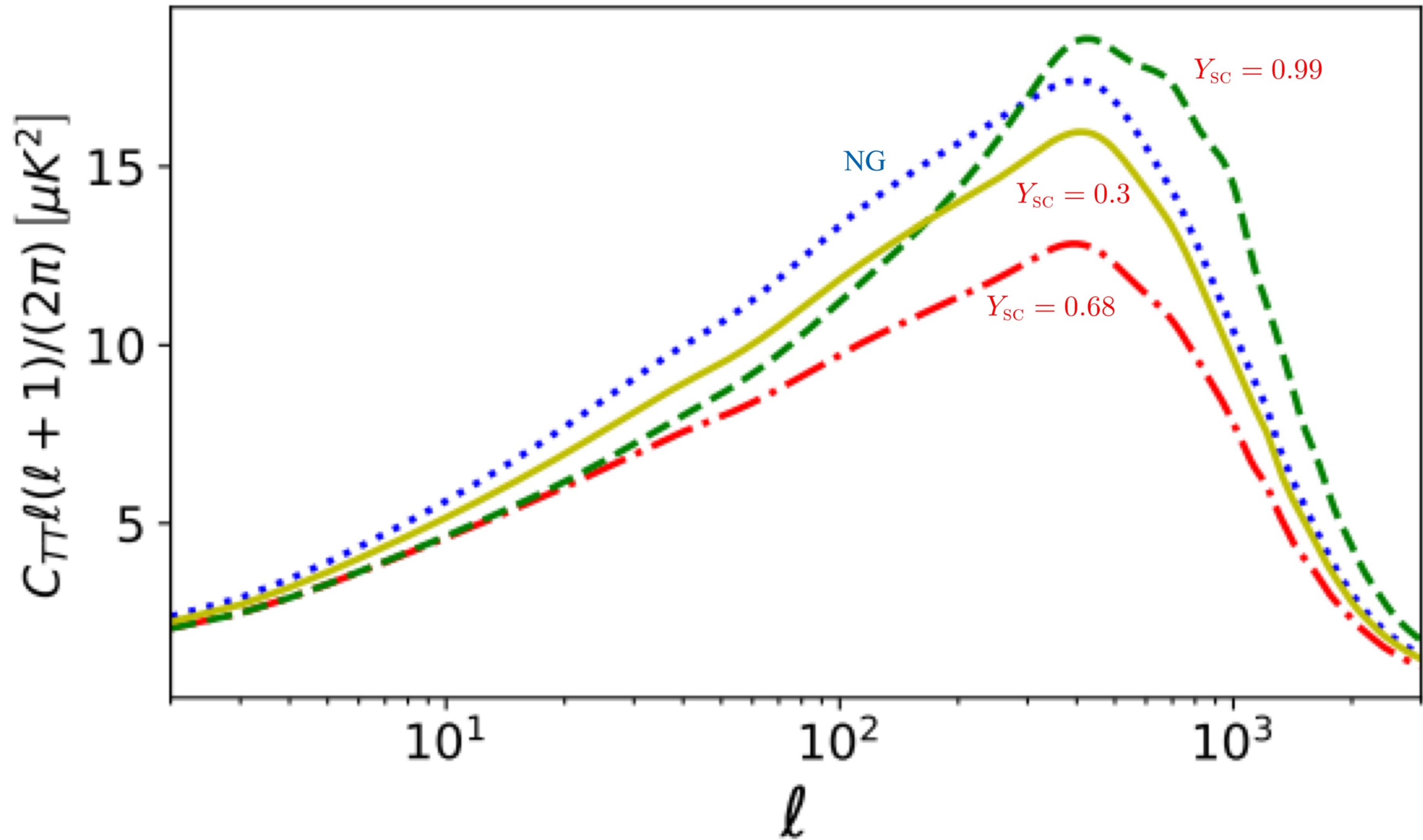
SVT decomposition

$$\Theta_{00} = \frac{\mu_0 \tilde{U}}{\sqrt{1-v^2}} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{1}{2} k X'_3 \xi_c\right)}{\frac{1}{2} k X'_3} \cos\left(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}_0 + k \dot{X}_3 v \tau\right)$$

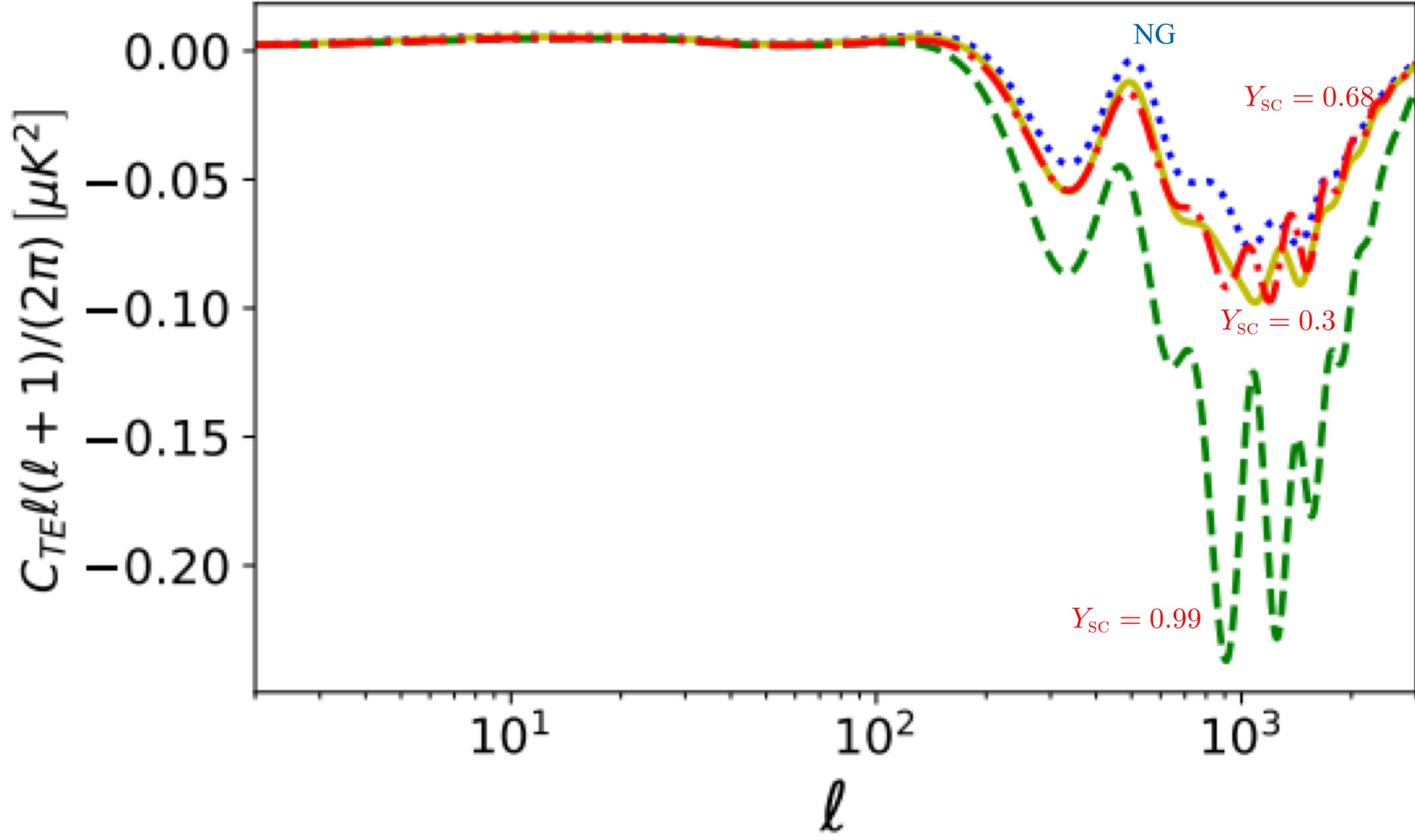
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Theta^S = \frac{1}{2} \left[v^2 (3\dot{X}_3\dot{X}_3 - 1) - 6v \frac{Y}{1+Y} X'_3 \dot{X}_3 - (1-v^2) \frac{1-Y}{1+Y} (3X'_3 X'_3 - 1) \right] \Theta_{00} \\ \Theta^V = \left[v^2 \dot{X}_1 \dot{X}_3 - \frac{1-Y}{1+Y} (1-v^2) X'_1 X'_3 - v \frac{Y}{1+Y} (X'_1 \dot{X}_3 + \dot{X}_1 X'_3) \right] \Theta_{00} \\ \Theta^T = \left[v^2 \dot{X}_1 \dot{X}_2 - \frac{1-Y}{1+Y} (1-v^2) X'_1 X'_2 - v \frac{Y}{1+Y} (X'_1 \dot{X}_2 + \dot{X}_1 X'_2) \right] \Theta_{00} \end{array} \right.$$



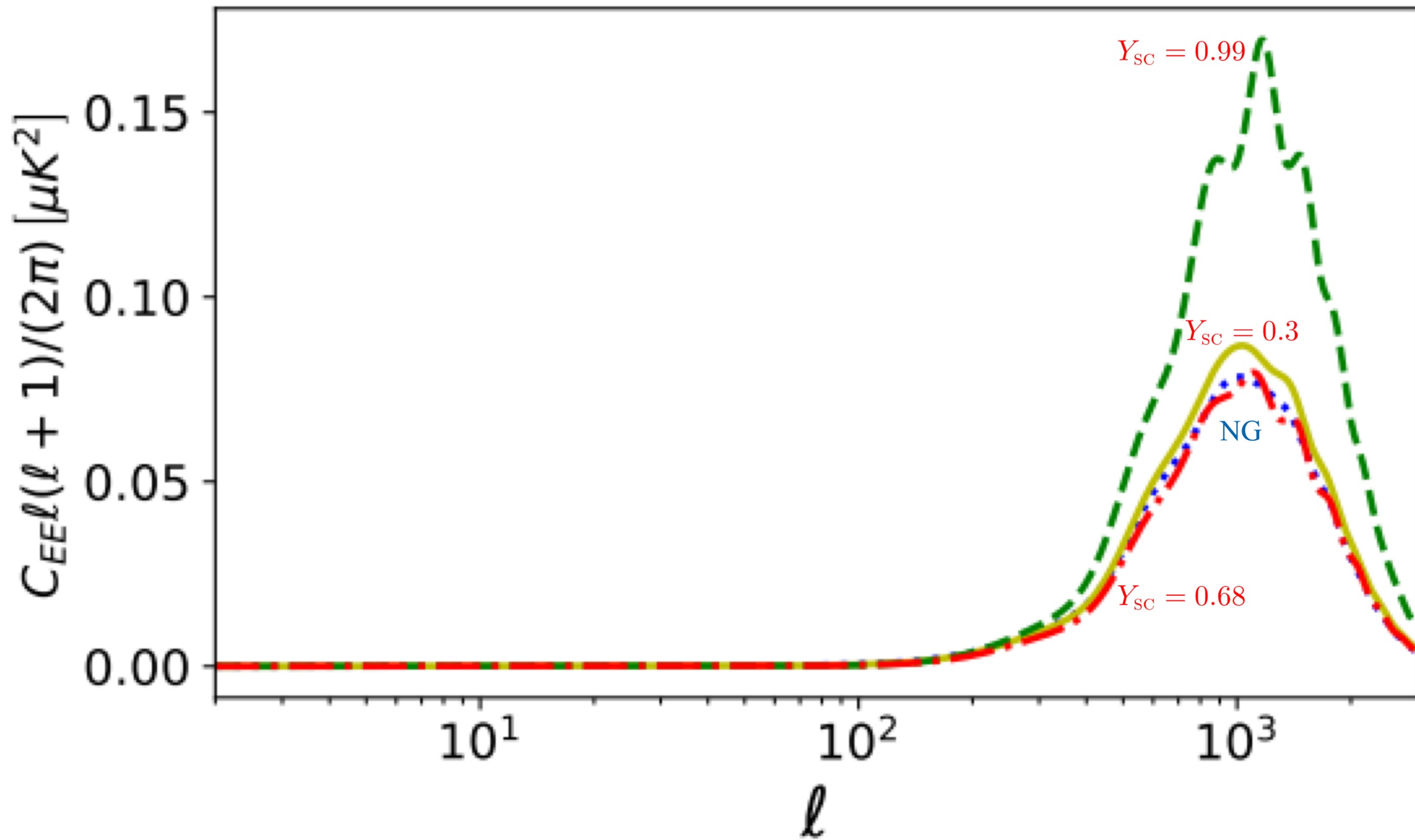
All modes



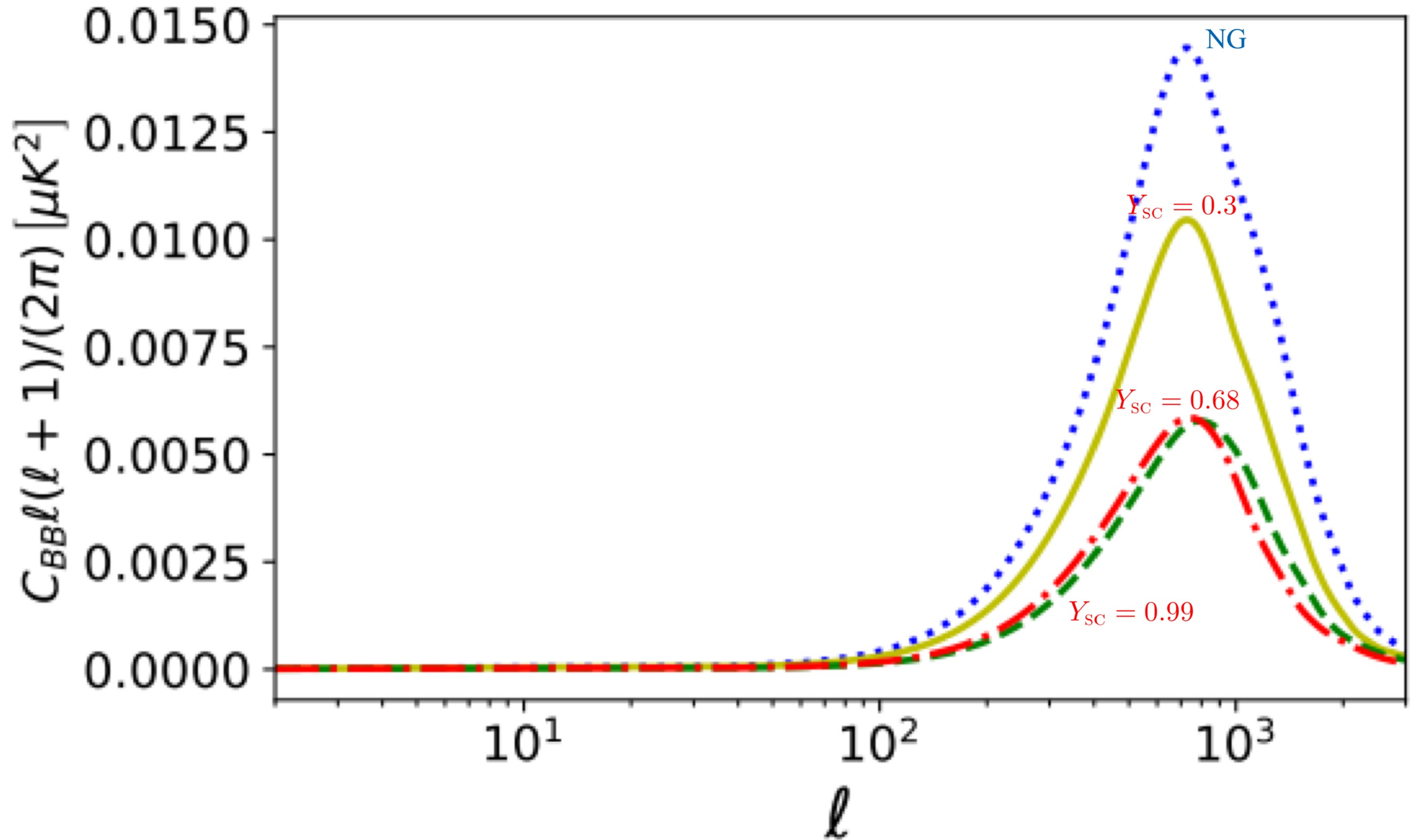
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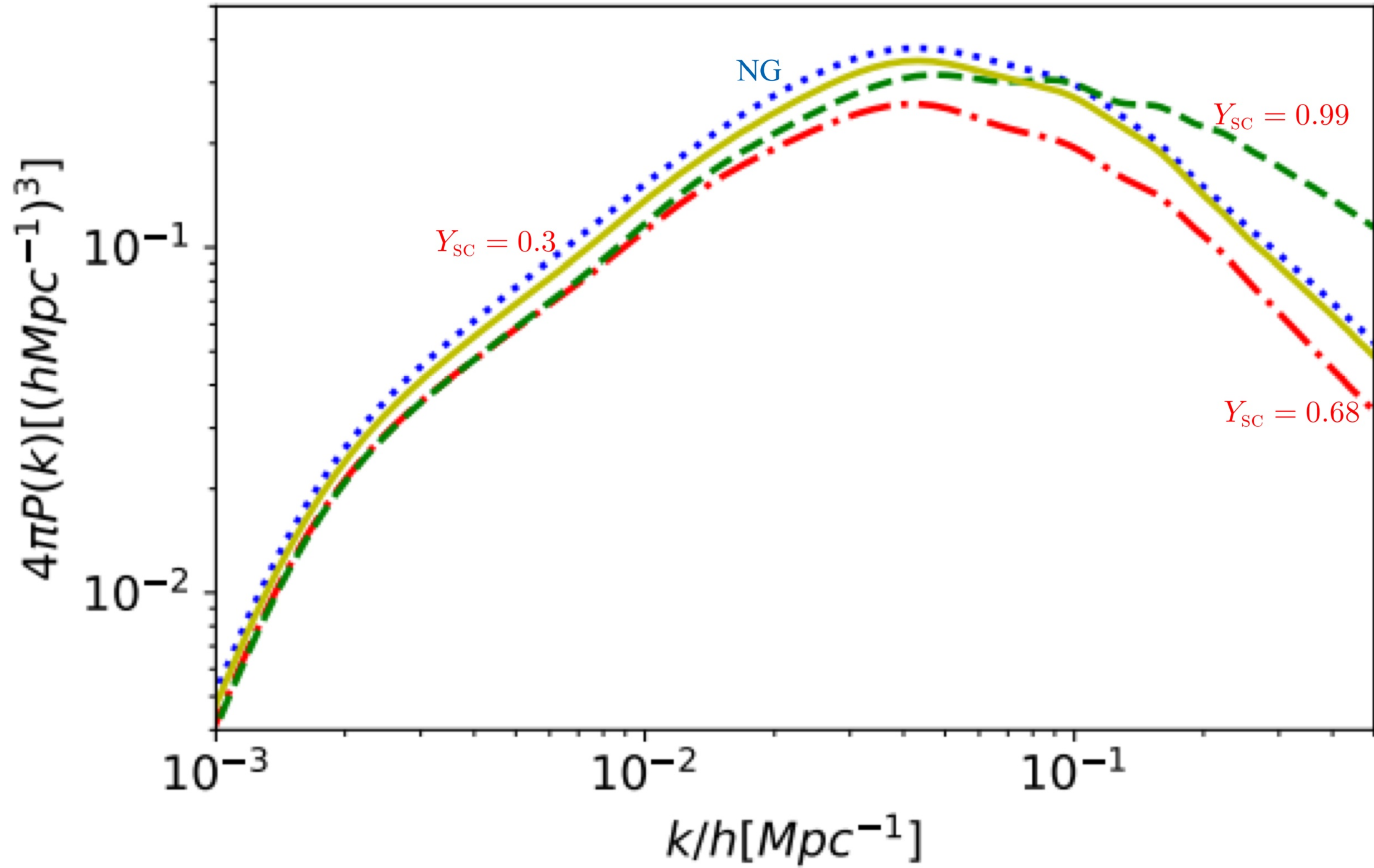
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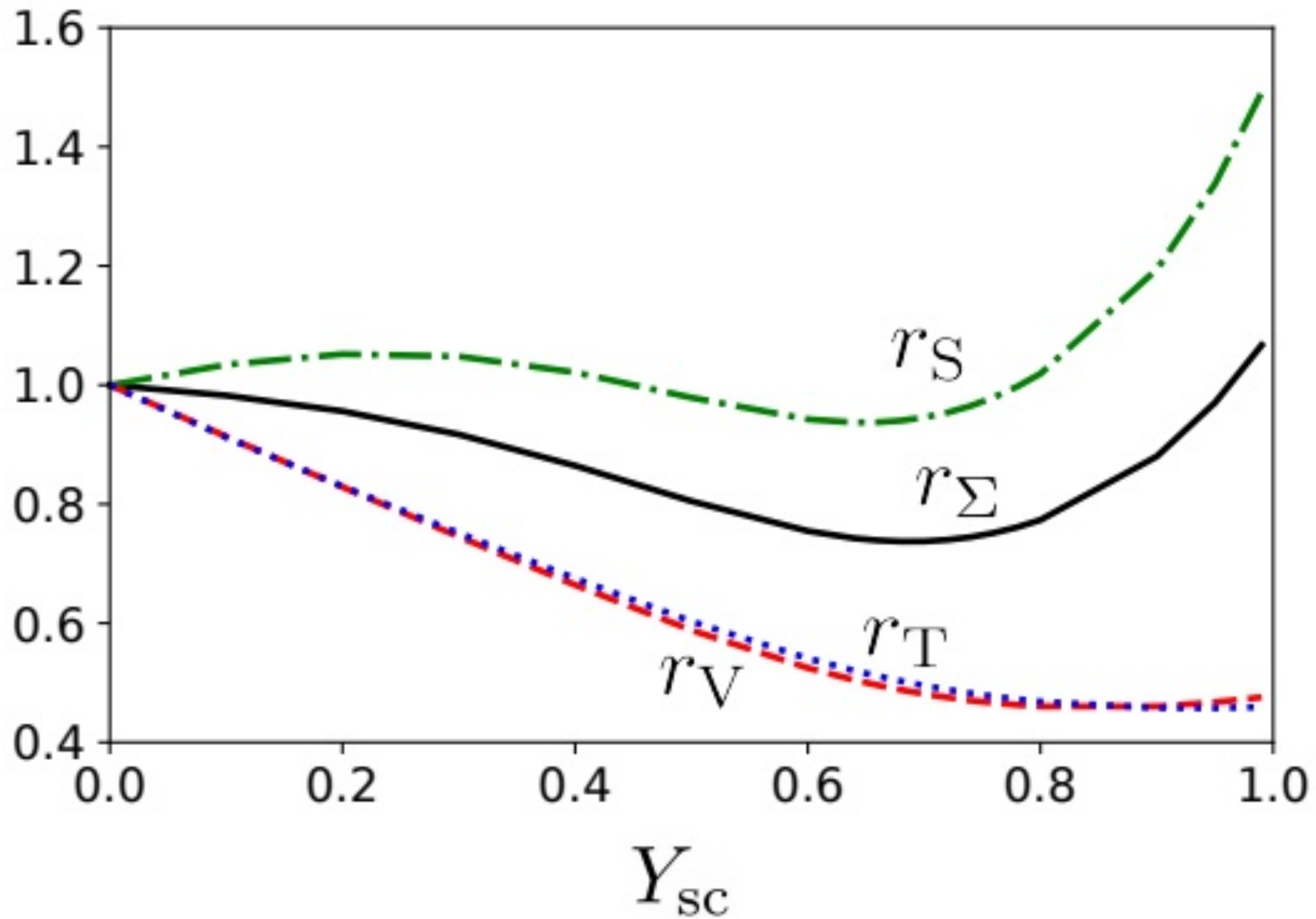


All modes



Power spectrum





Conclusions

- Current-carrying cosmic strings may be generic
- Thermodynamical parameters: velocity, correlation length, charge & current
- Many possible scenarios, one favoured ($Y_{\text{SC}} \neq 0$ RDE & $Y_{\text{SC}} = 0$ MDE)
- Can use CMBACT to investigate cosmologically observable consequences
- Possible amplitude reduction in C_ℓ of order $\sim 25\%$ and more power on large scales...

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION