

# Classical and quantum corrections in jet quenching



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# In this talk

- Introduction to classical and quantum physics in jet broadening
- Double-logarithmic quantum corrections
  - In the literature
  - In a weakly-coupled QGP, and their connection with classical physics
- Work done in collaboration with **Eamonn Weitz**, PhD@Nantes in late 2023
- No data (harmed) in (the making of) this talk

JG Weitz [JHEP11 \(2022\)](#), E. Weitz's Ph.D. thesis [2311.04988](#)



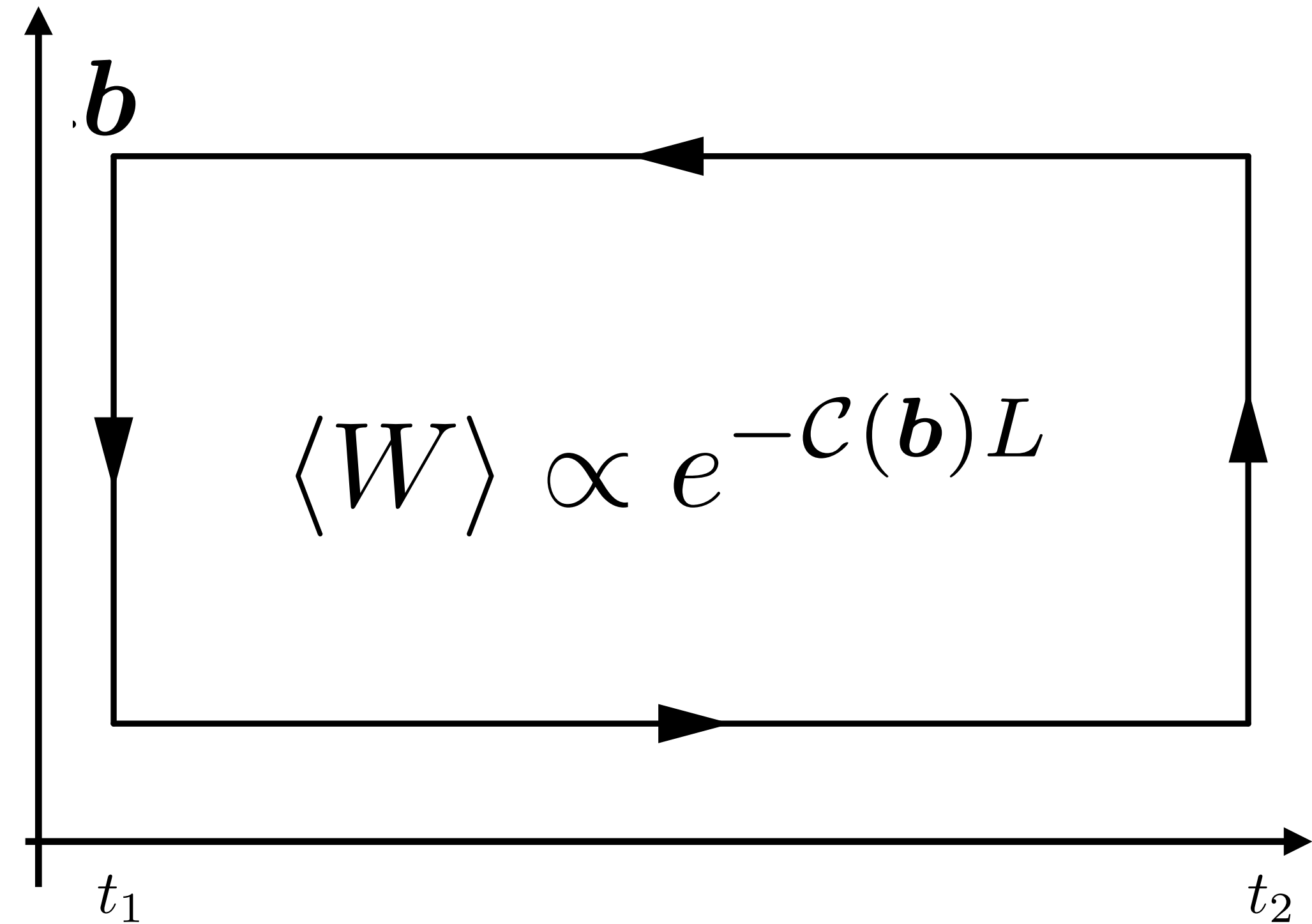
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- Consider the broadening of a single parton:  $\hat{q}$  is given by the second moment of the **broadening probability** with  $\mu$  process-dependent cutoff

$$\hat{q} \equiv \frac{\langle k_{\perp}^2 \rangle}{L} = \frac{1}{L} \int^{\mu} \frac{d^2 k_{\perp}}{(2\pi)^2} k_{\perp}^2 \mathcal{P}(k_{\perp})$$

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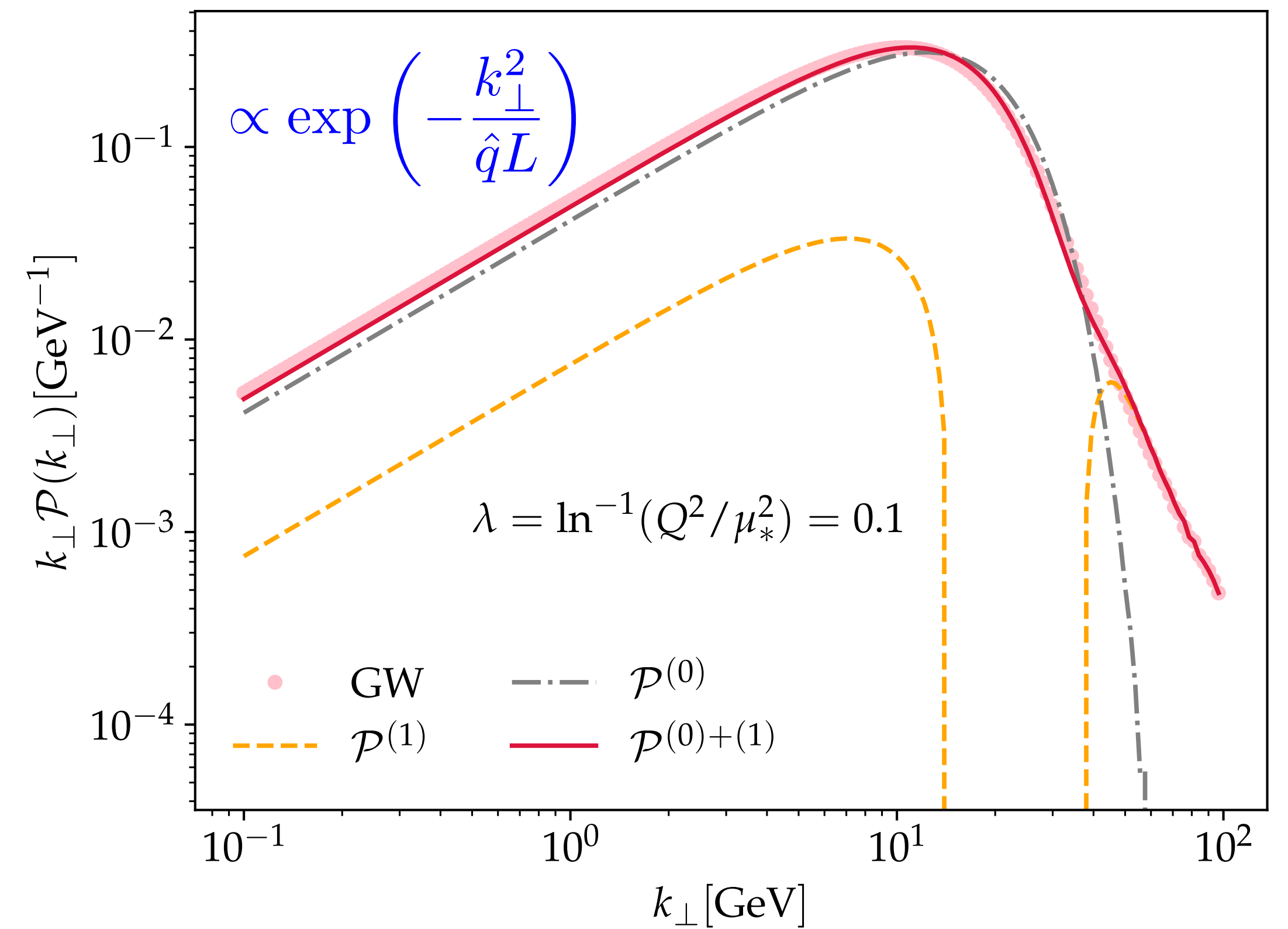
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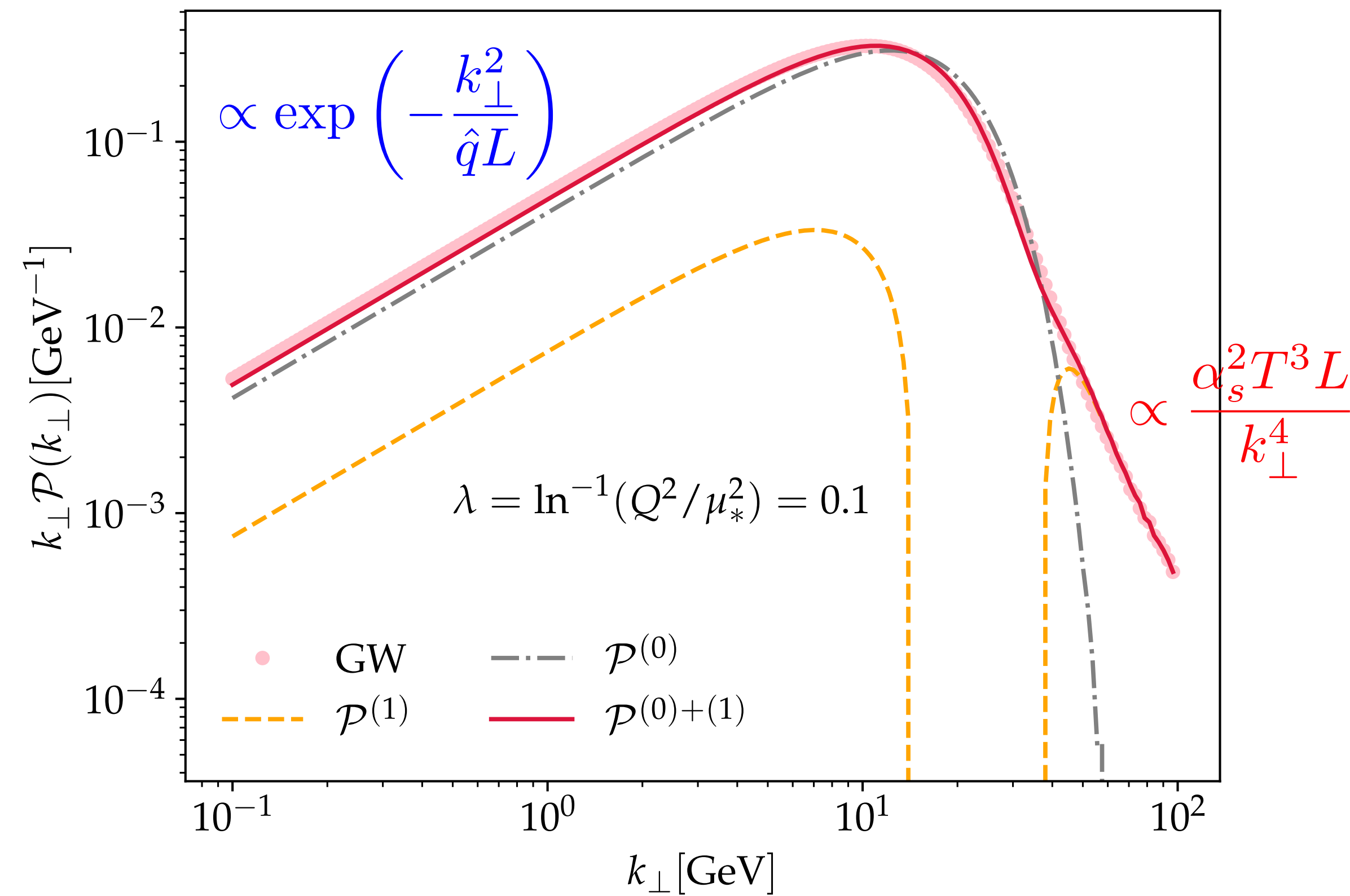
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- **asymptotic freedom**  $\Rightarrow$  it has to make way for the **rare large momentum scatterings**

$$\mathcal{P}(k_{\perp})_{\text{Coulomb}} \propto \frac{\alpha_s^2 T^3 L}{k_{\perp}^4}$$



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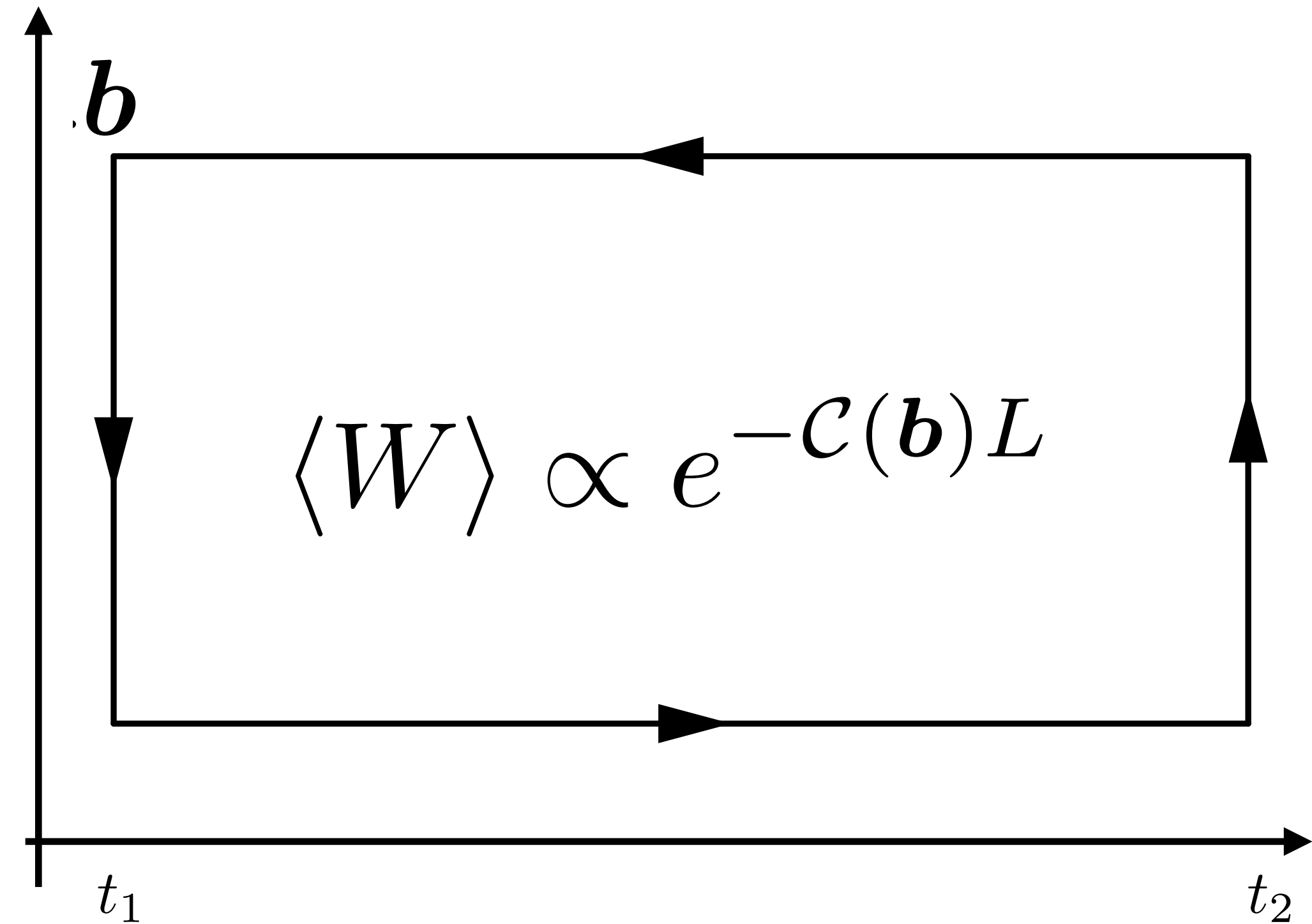
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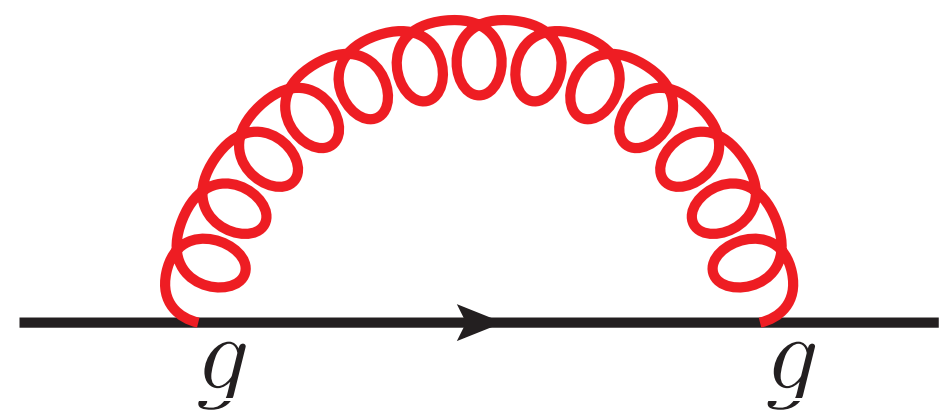
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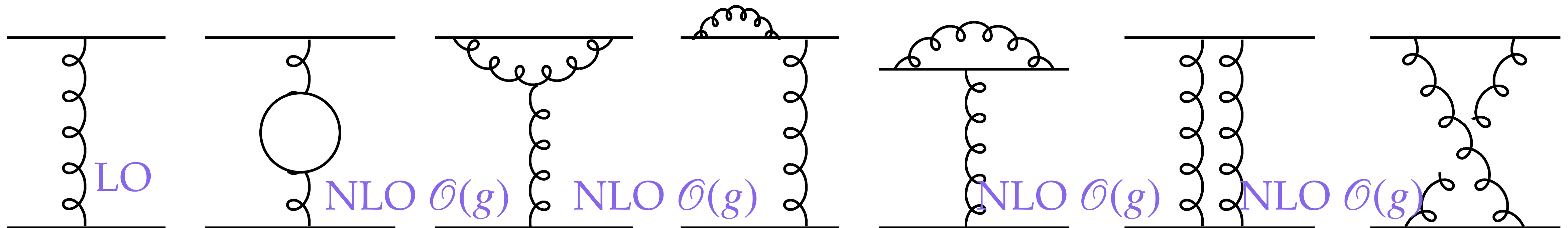
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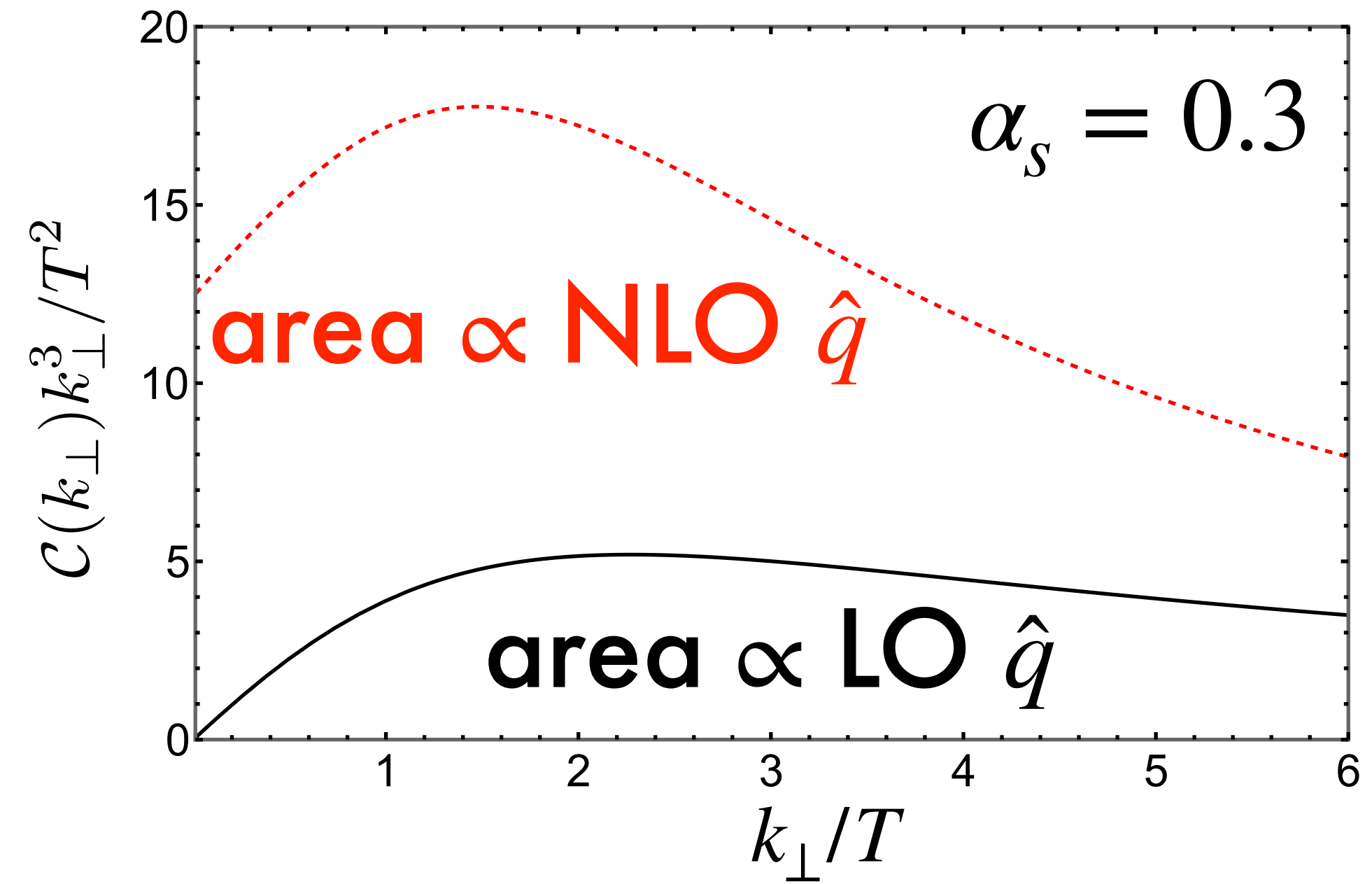
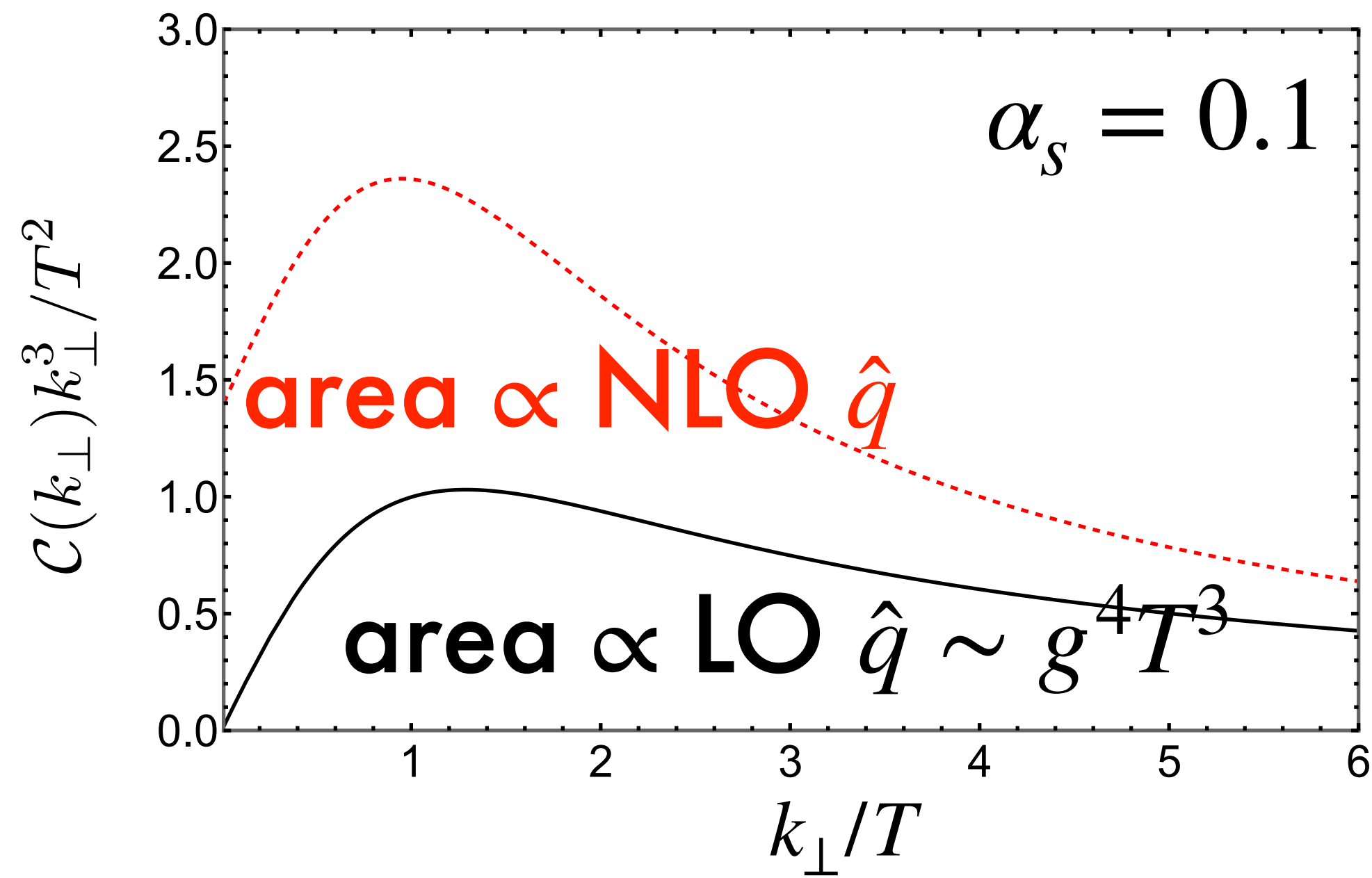
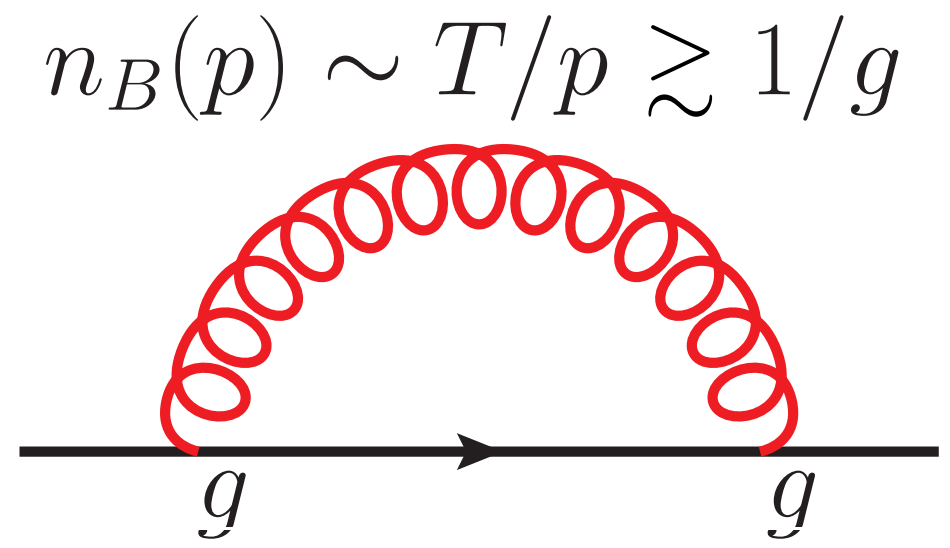
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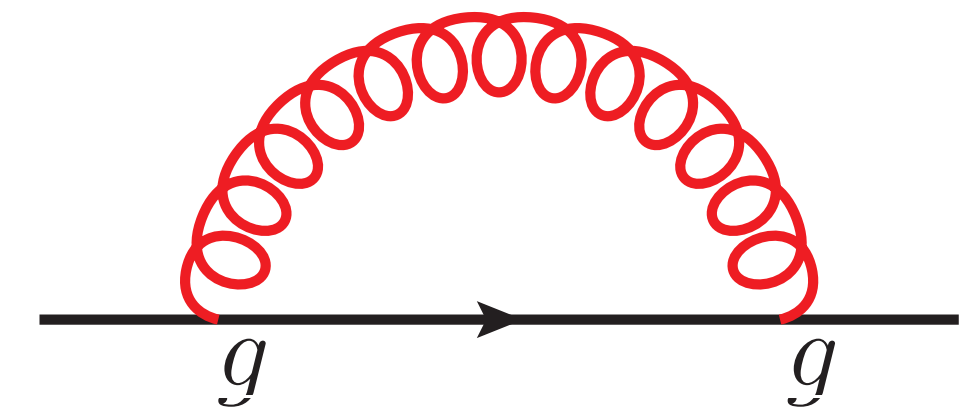
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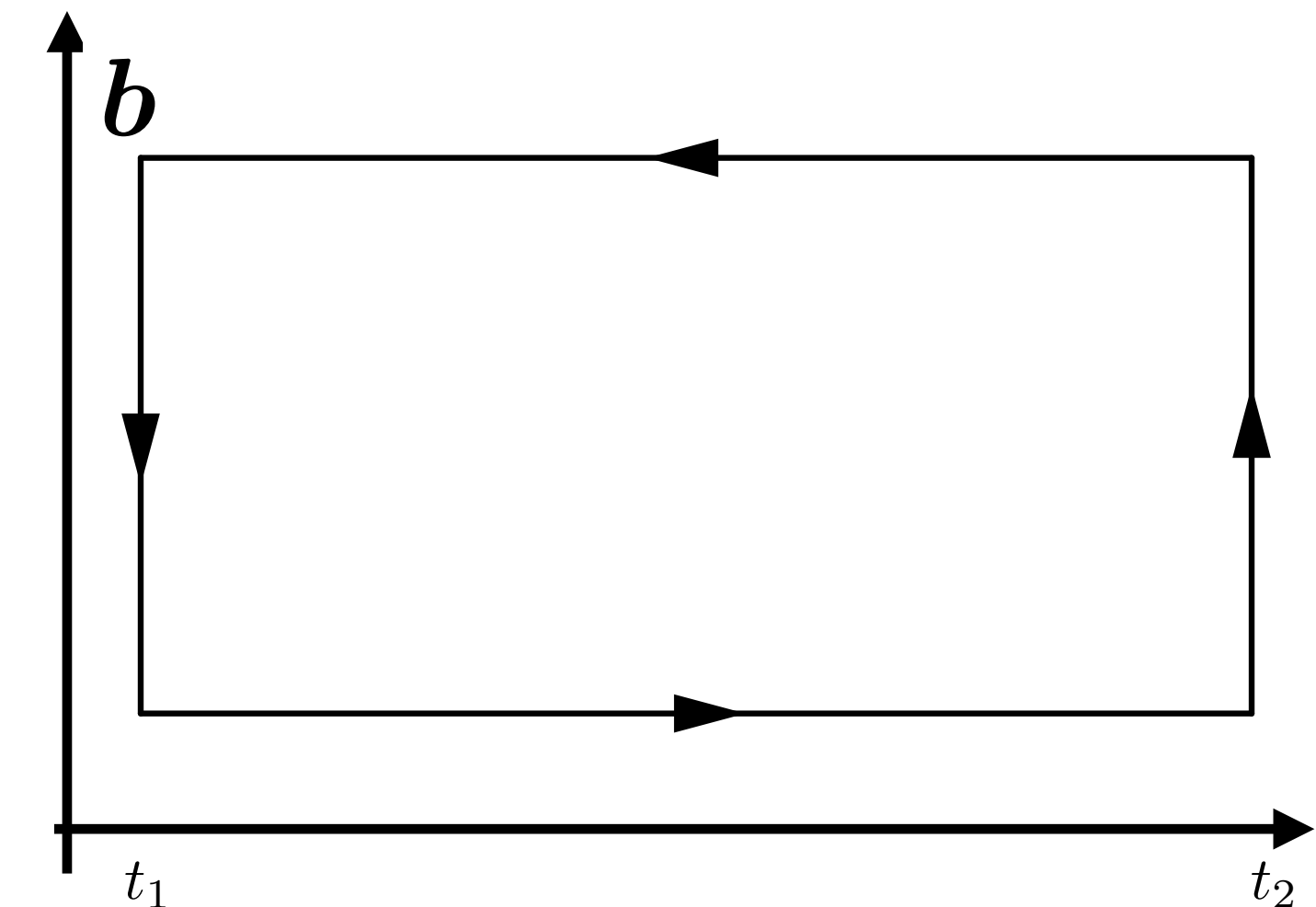


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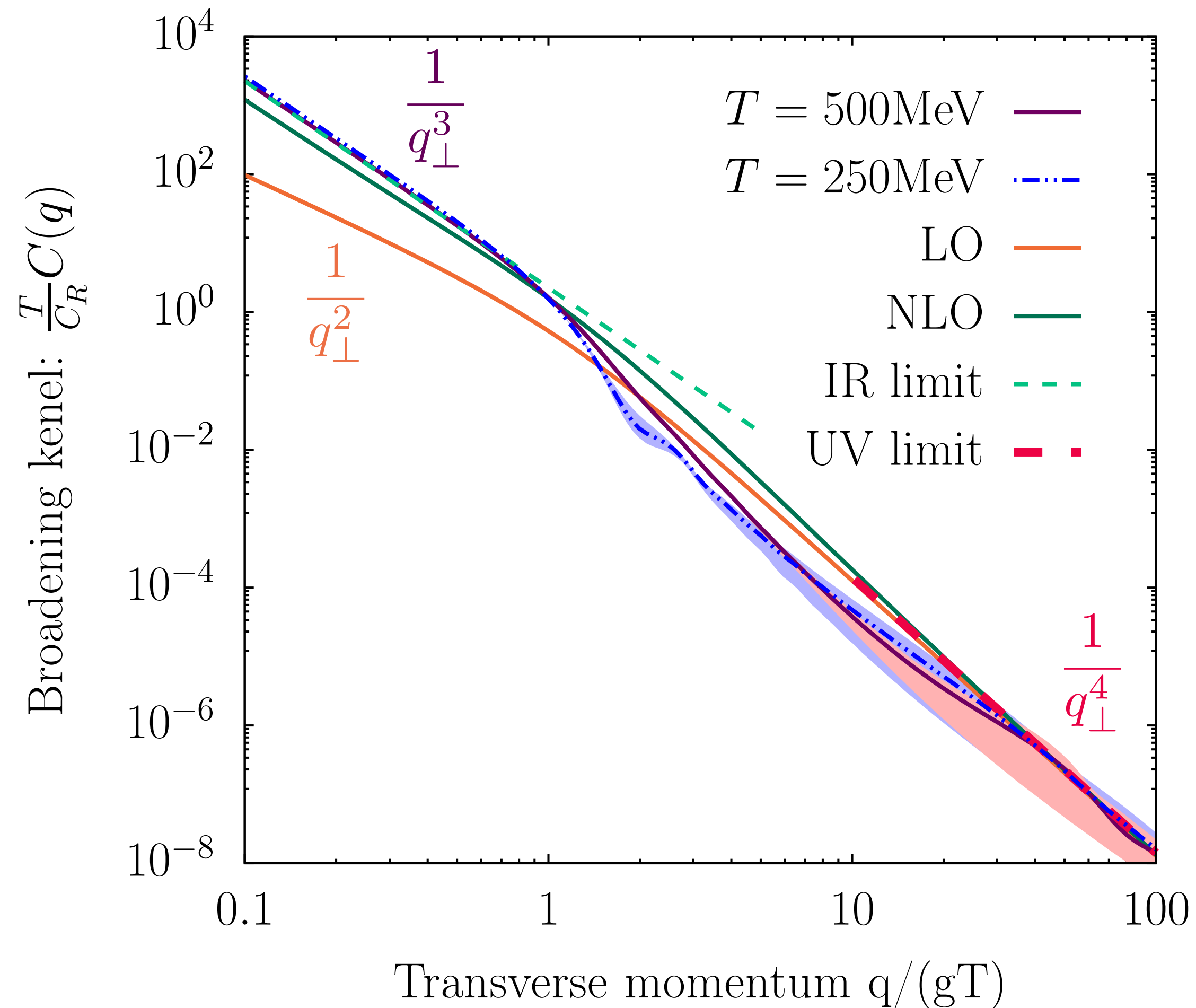
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**New strategy:** **lattice** for  $b \gtrsim 1/gT$ , **pQCD** for  $b \lesssim 1/gT$

- Recently: continuum-extrapolated EQCD lattice data for the scattering kernel and merging with pQCD  
**Moore Schlusser PRD101 (2020)** **Moore Schlichting Schlusser Soudi JHEP2110 (2021)**



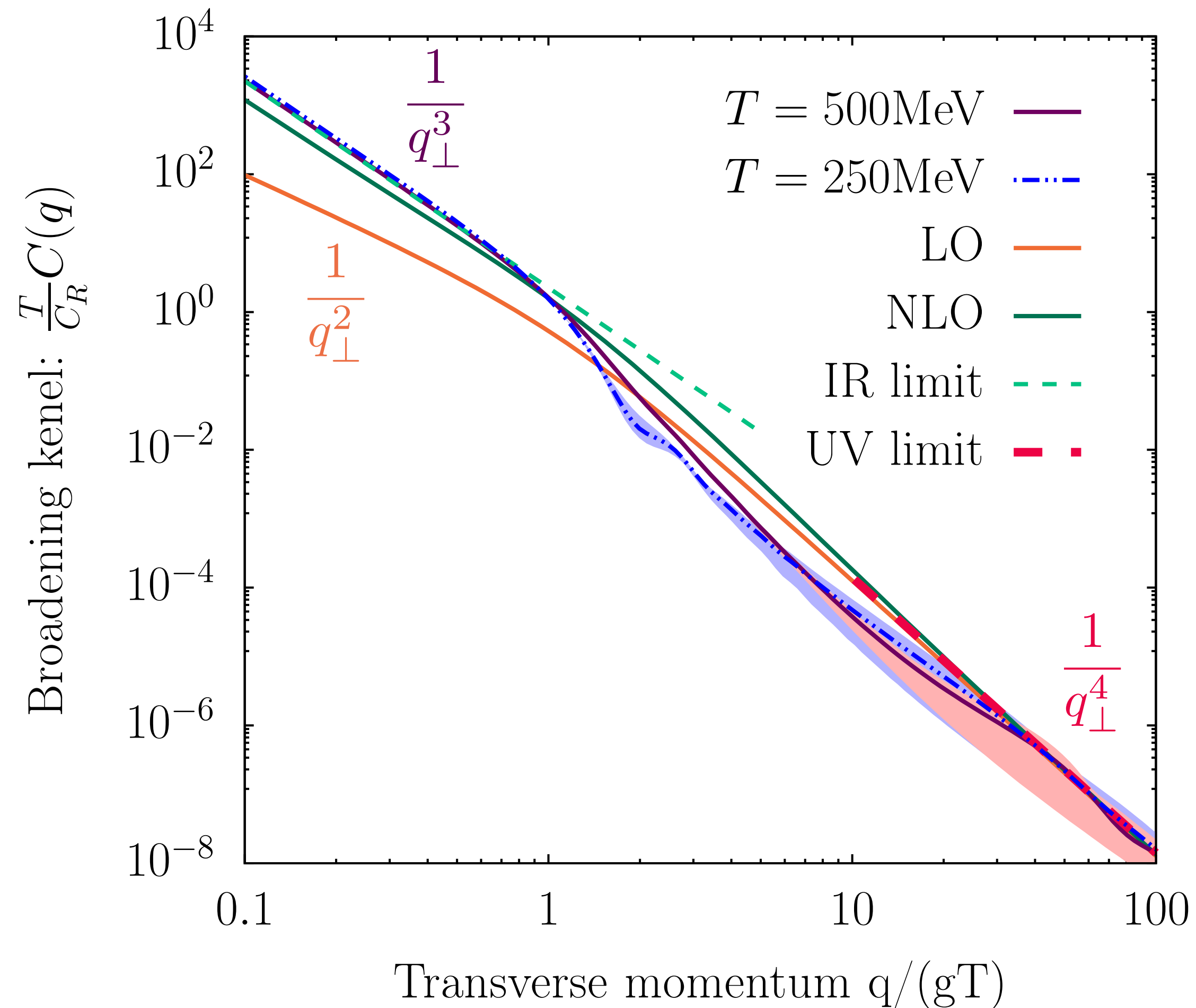
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- LO and NLO perturbative EQCD:  
Aurenche Gelis Zaraket (2002) Caron-Huot (2008)
- LO UV ( $q_{\perp} > gT$ ) pQCD and matching:  
Arnold Xiao (2008) JG Kim (2018)
- Significant deviations from pQCD
- Non-perturbative magnetic “screening” means  $q_{\perp}^{-3}$  instead of Molière  $q_{\perp}^{-4}$

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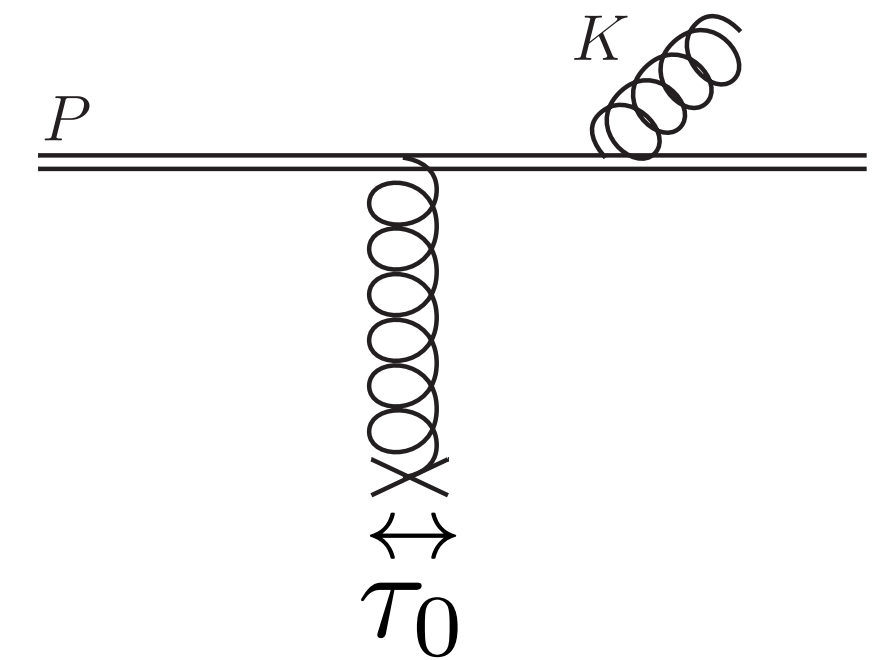
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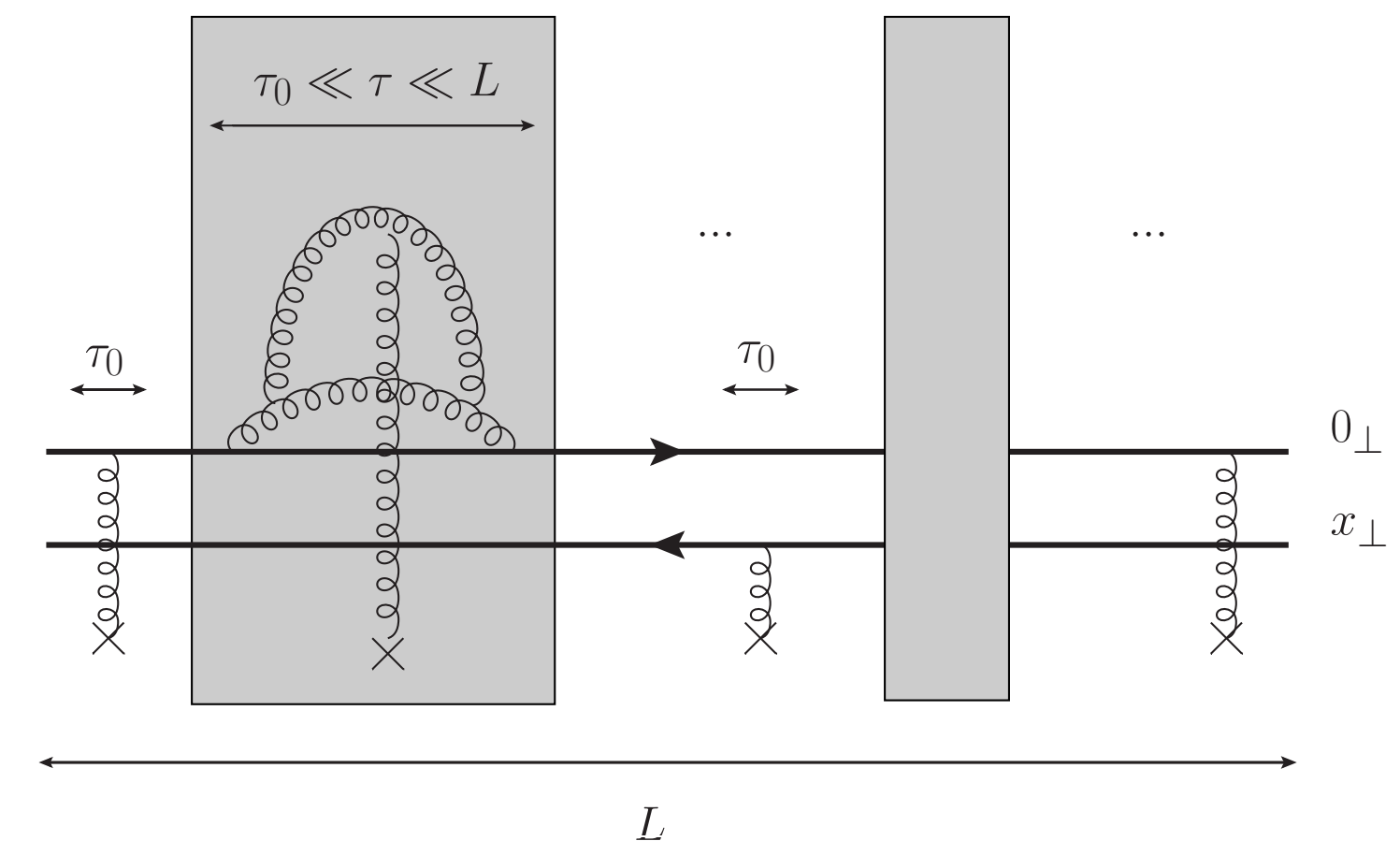
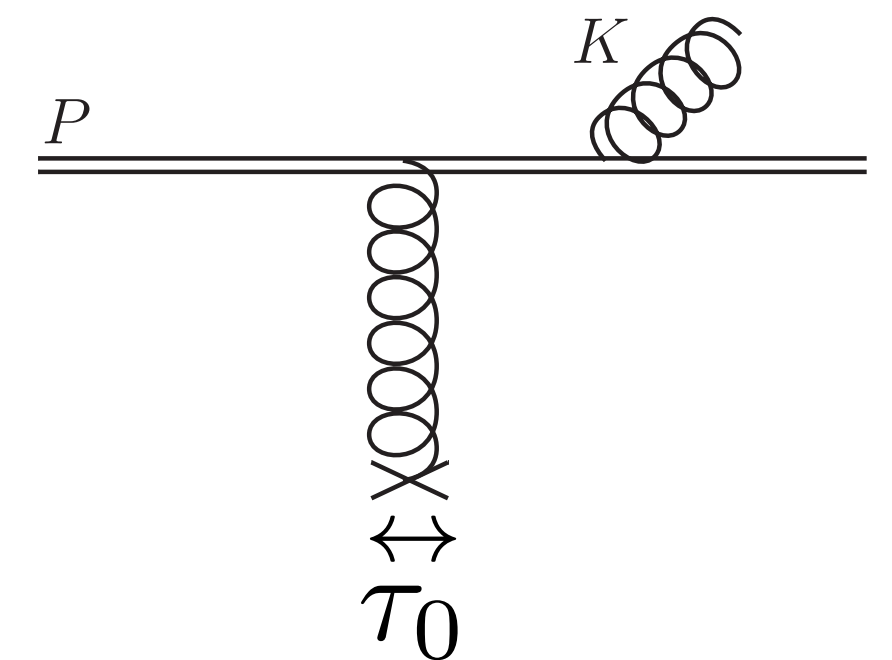
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- This  $\log^2$  renormalises the LO  $\hat{q}$ . *Resum* these logs

$$\hat{q}(\tau, \mathbf{k}_{\perp}^2) = \hat{q}^{(0)}(\tau_0, \mathbf{k}_{\perp}^2) + \int_{\tau_0}^{\tau} \frac{d\tau'}{\tau'} \int_{Q_s^2(\tau')}^{\mathbf{k}_{\perp}^2} \frac{d\mathbf{k}'_{\perp}{}^2}{\mathbf{k}'_{\perp}{}^2} \bar{\alpha}_s(\mathbf{k}'_{\perp}{}^2) \hat{q}(\tau', \mathbf{k}'_{\perp}{}^2)$$

$$Q_s^2(\tau) = \hat{q}(\tau, Q_s^2(\tau))\tau,$$

by solving the above numerically and semi-analytically



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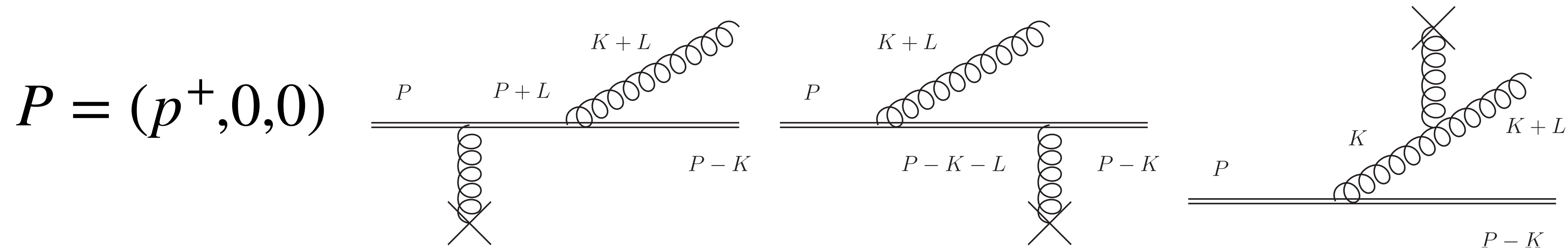
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- Where do they meet in a weakly-coupled plasma? Is there a hierarchy or an interplay?



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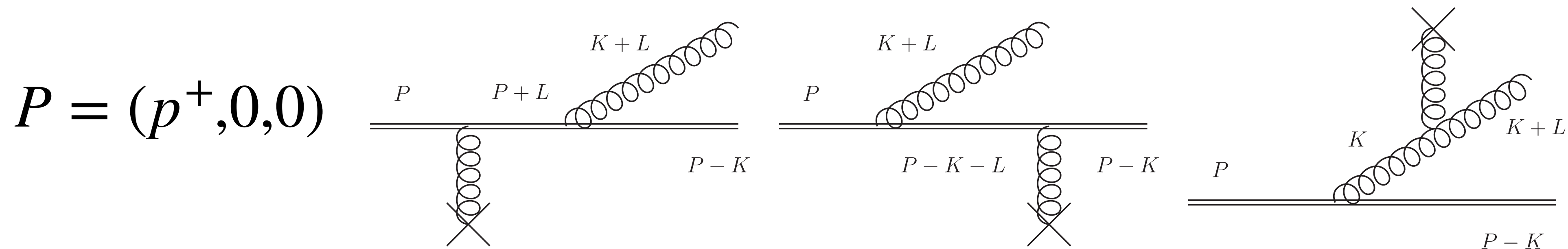


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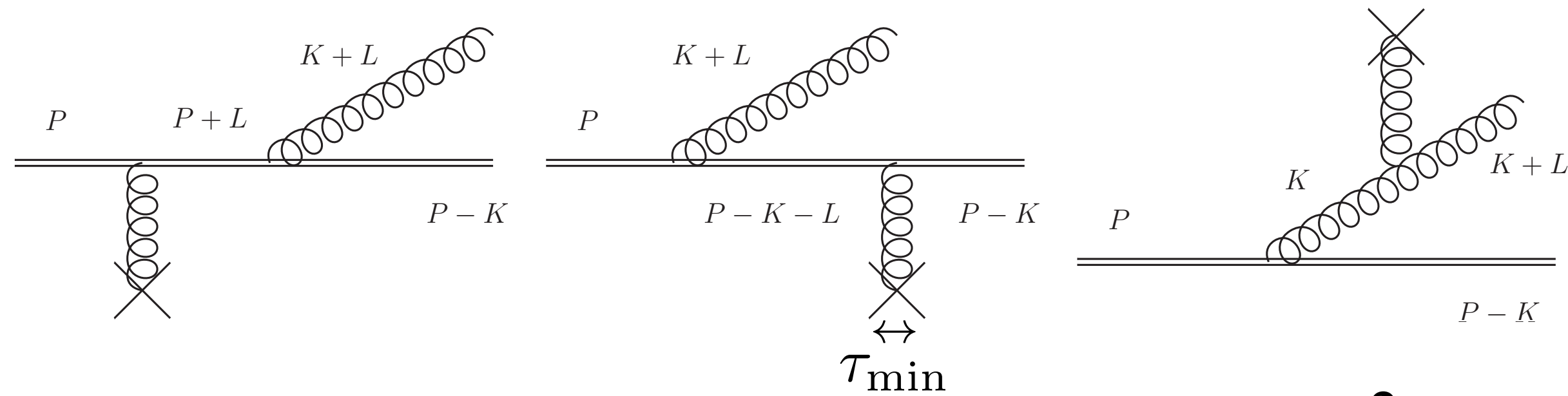
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- In principle just the first term in opacity series. If  $k_{\perp} \gg l_{\perp}$  single-scattering regime

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a triple logarithm. What are the boundaries?

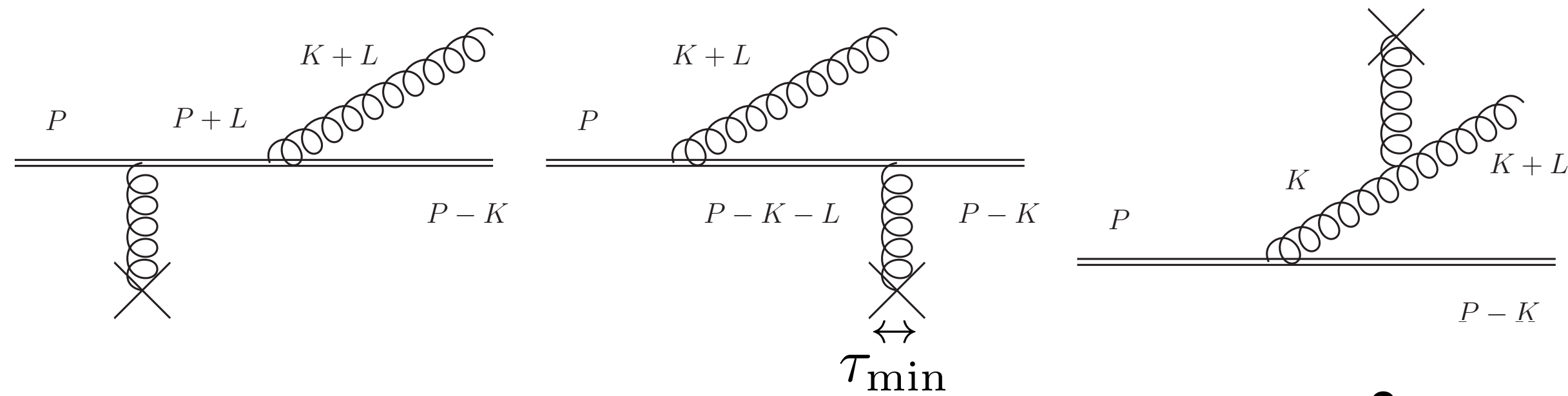
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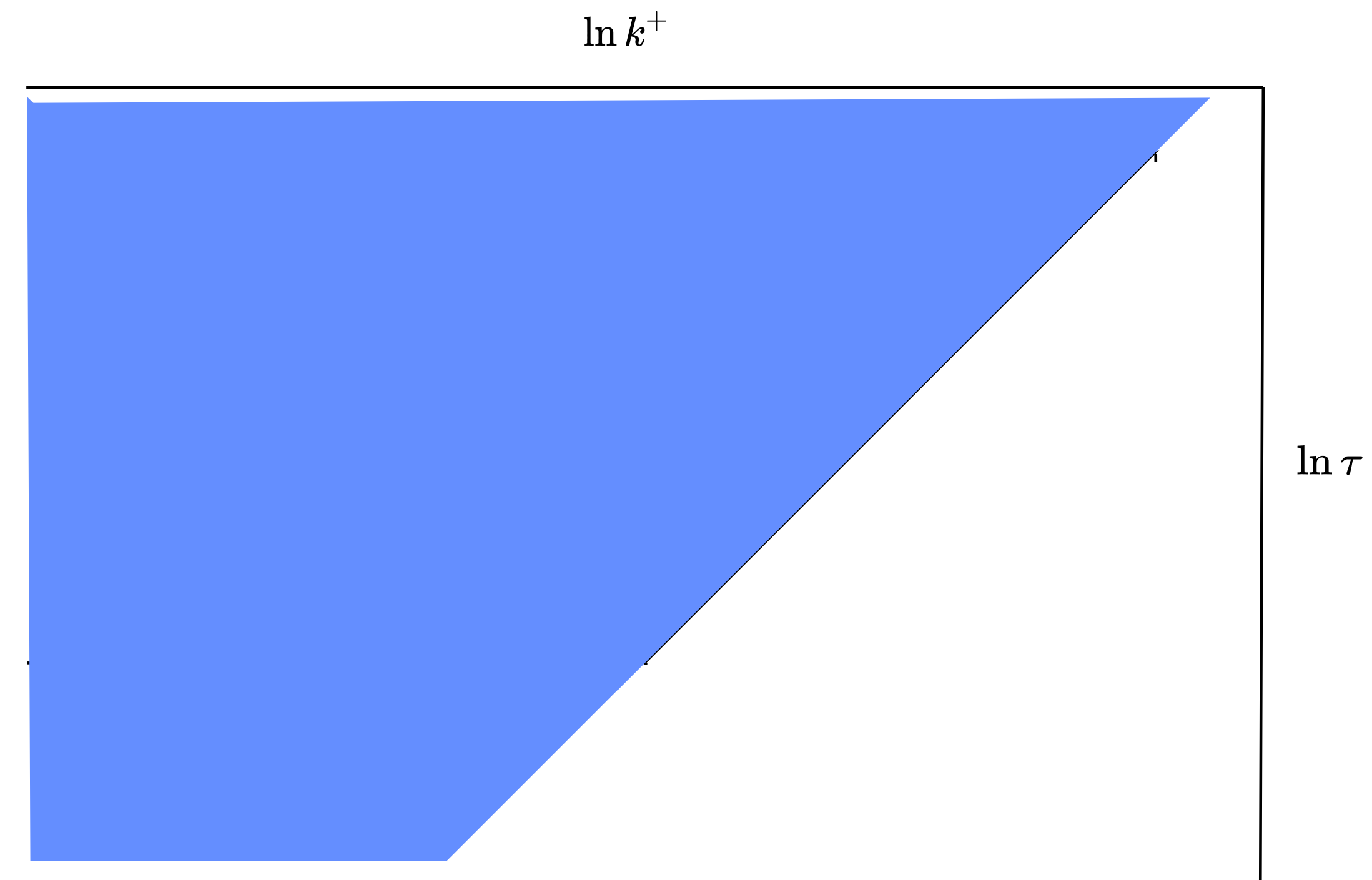
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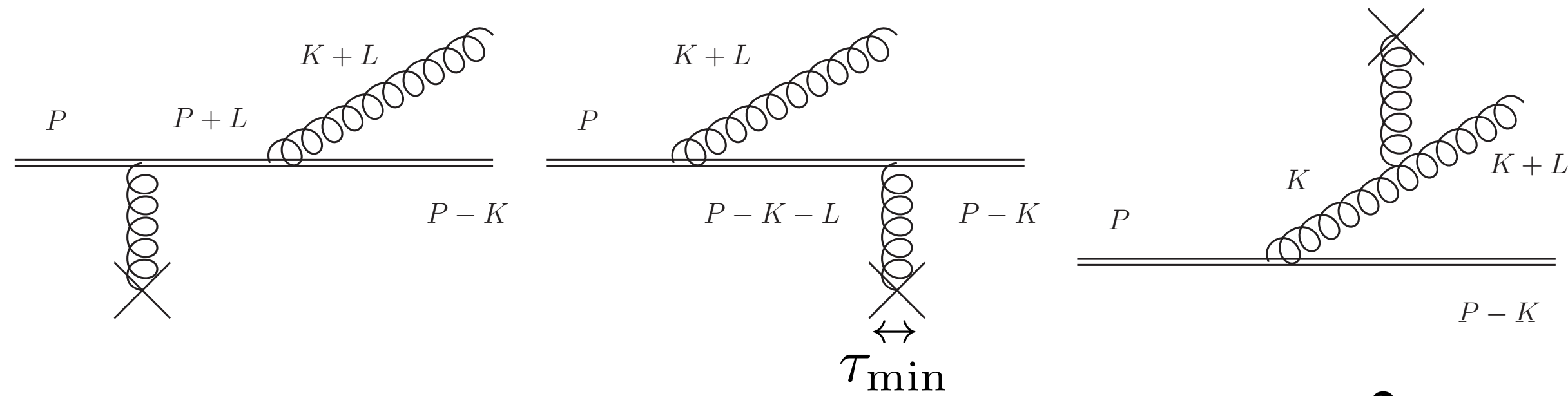
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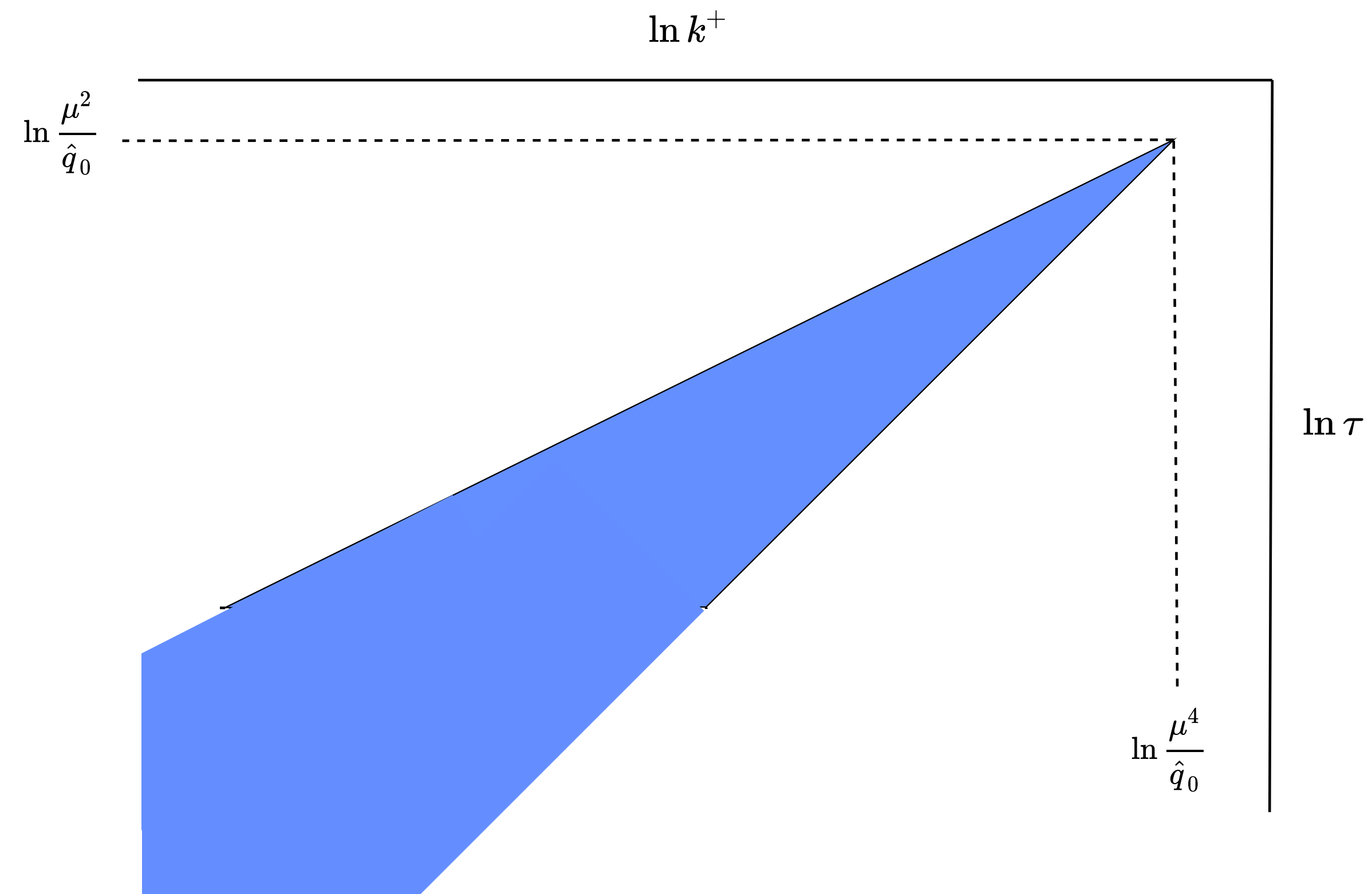
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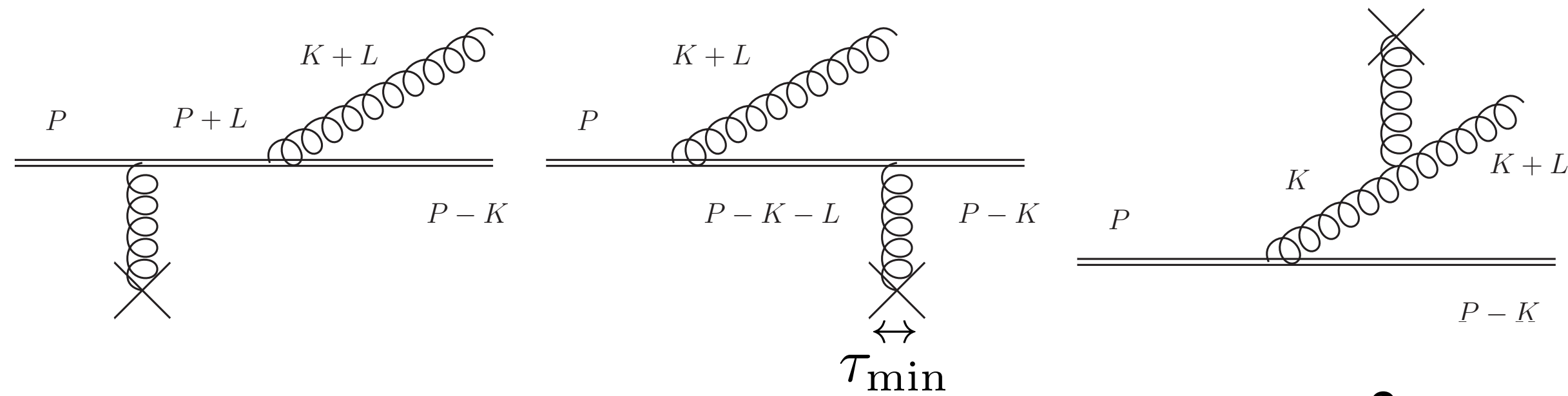
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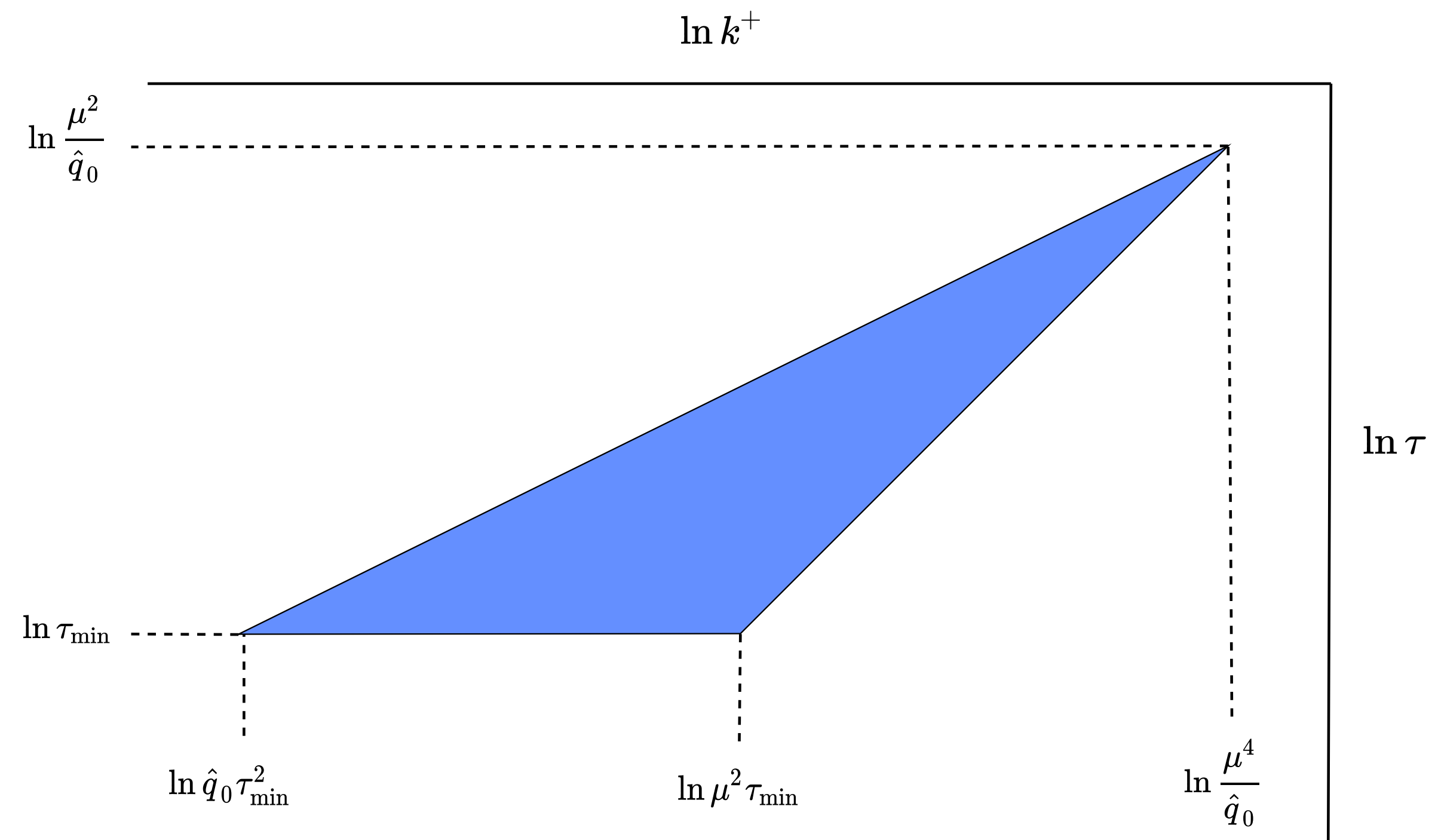
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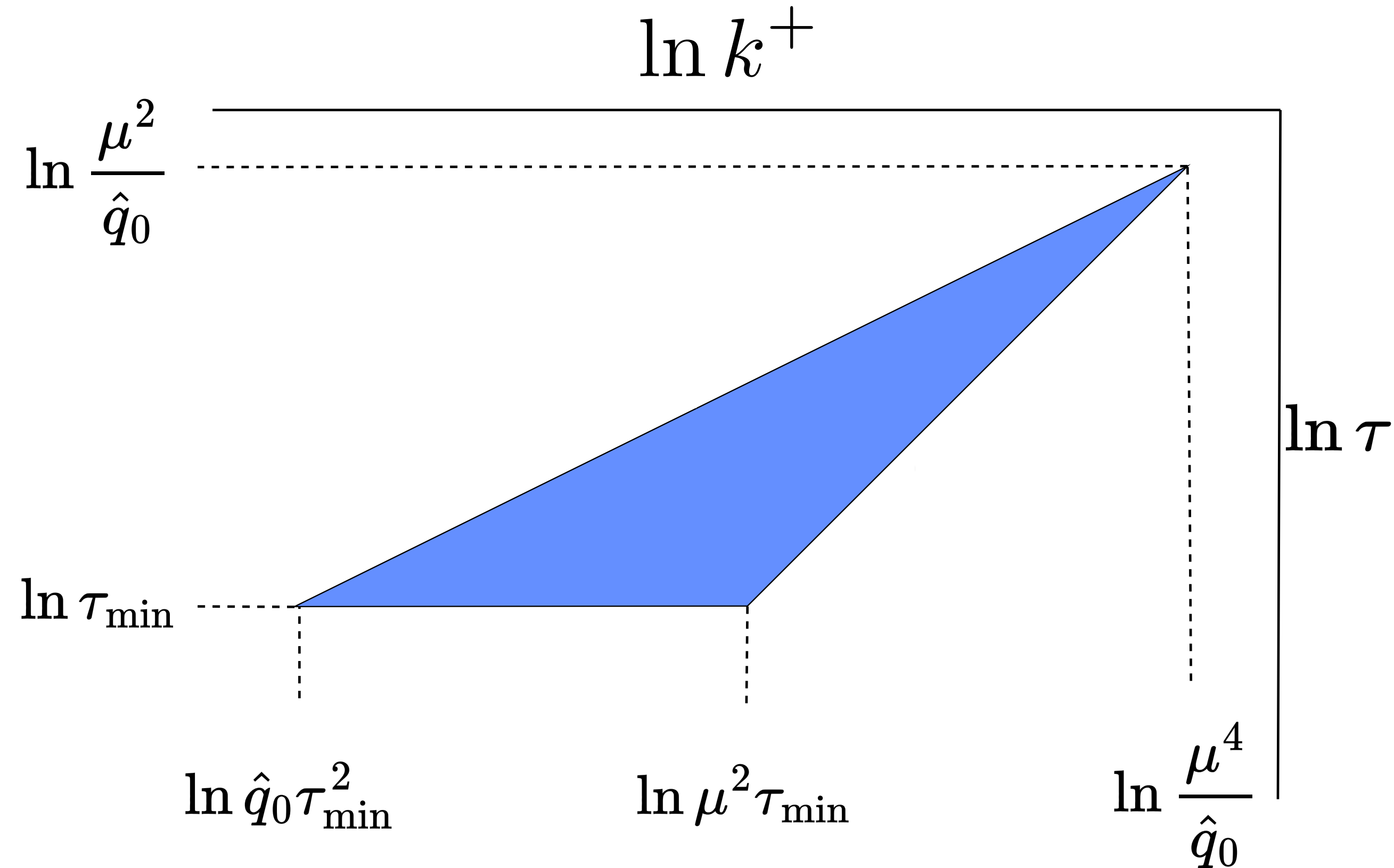
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- Asymptotic mass  $m_{\infty}^2 \sim g^2 T^2$  in the dipole factor for the jet partons
- $k_{\perp} \gtrsim gT$  and the dipole factor suppresses  $l_{\perp} \ll k_{\perp} \Rightarrow l_{\perp} \gtrsim gT$
- $\tau_{\min} \sim 1/l_{\perp} \lesssim 1/gT$  and these soft scatterings happen at a rate  $\Gamma_{\text{soft}} \sim g^2 T$
- LPM regime when to  $\tau_{\text{LPM}} \gtrsim 1/g^2 T$ . Indeed  $\sqrt{k^+/\hat{q}_0} \sim \sqrt{k^+/T} \times 1/g^2 T$
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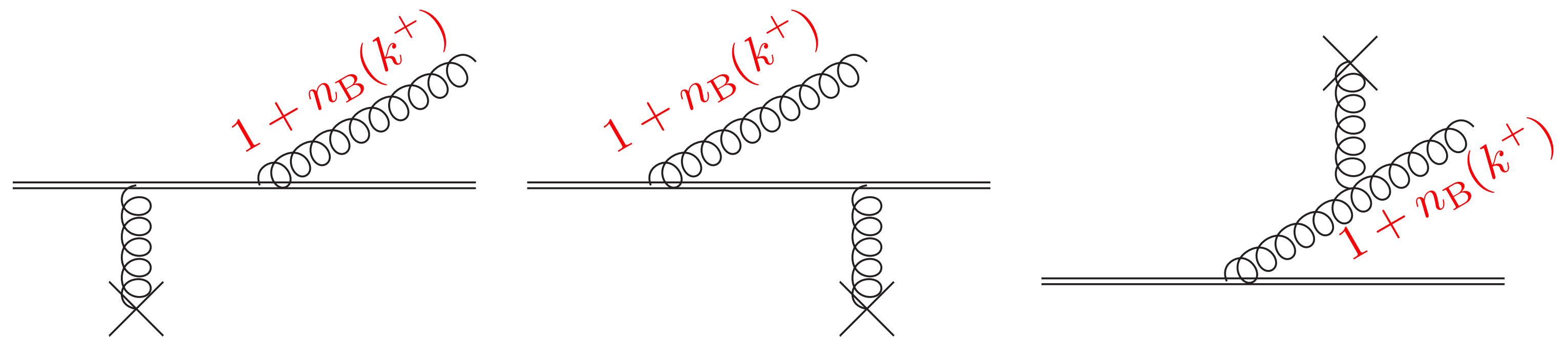
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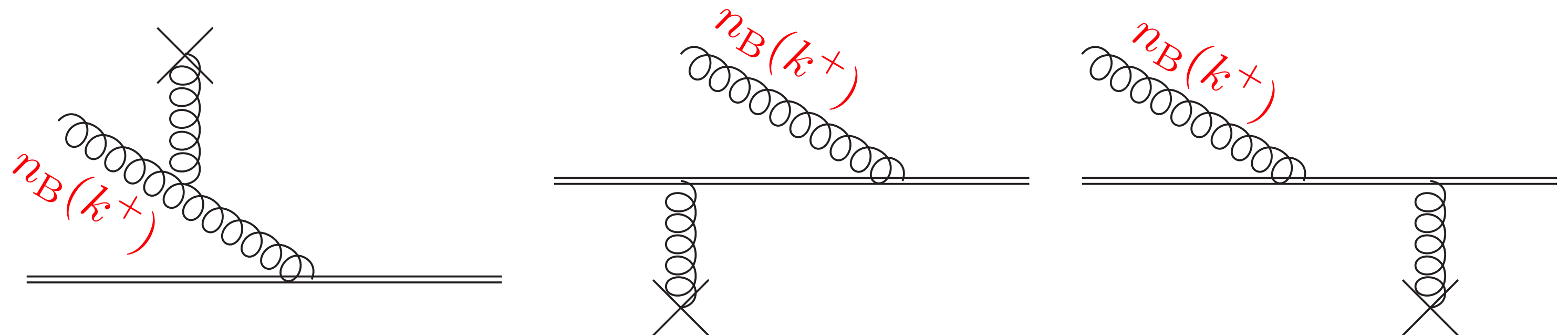
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- Stimulated emission



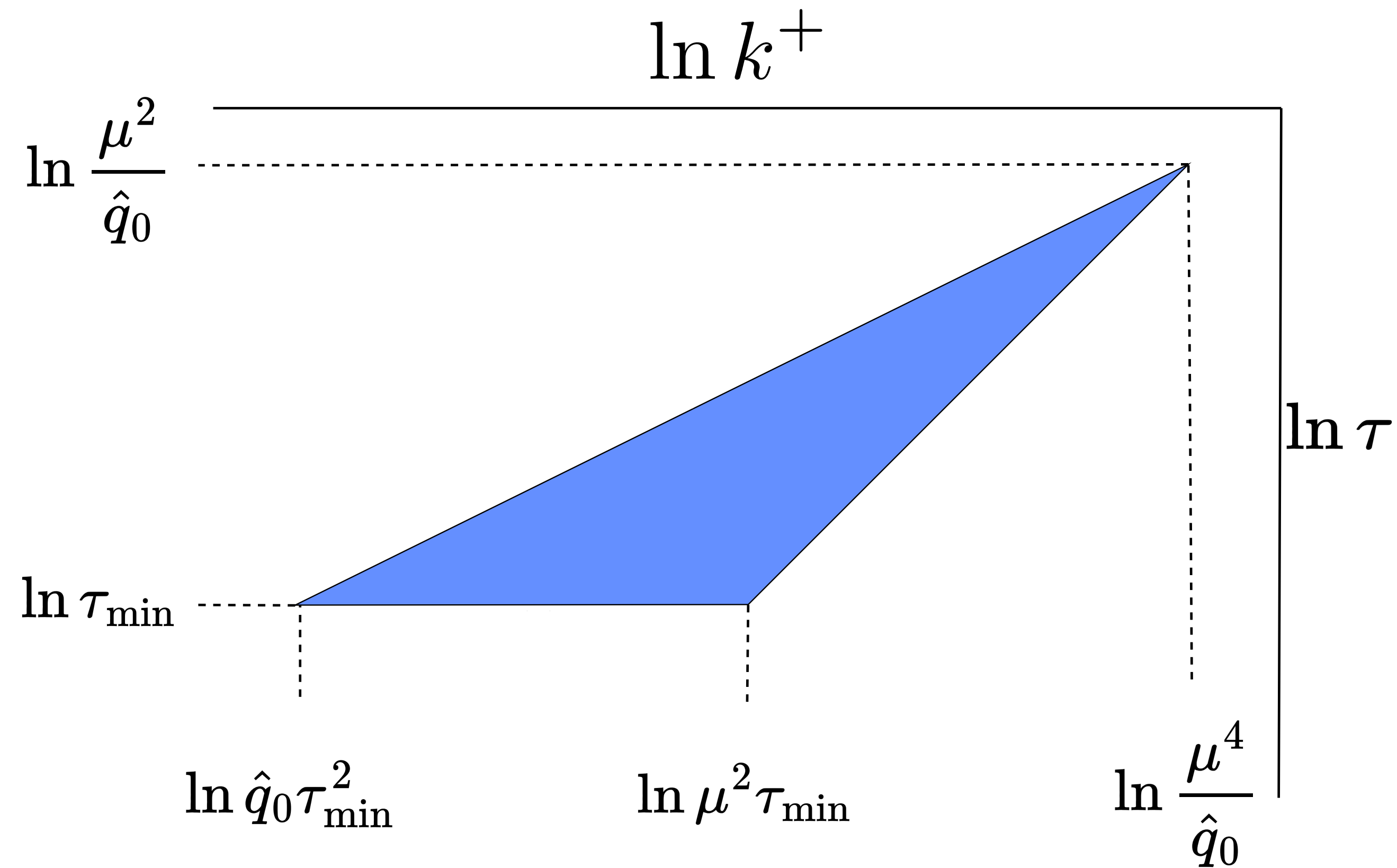
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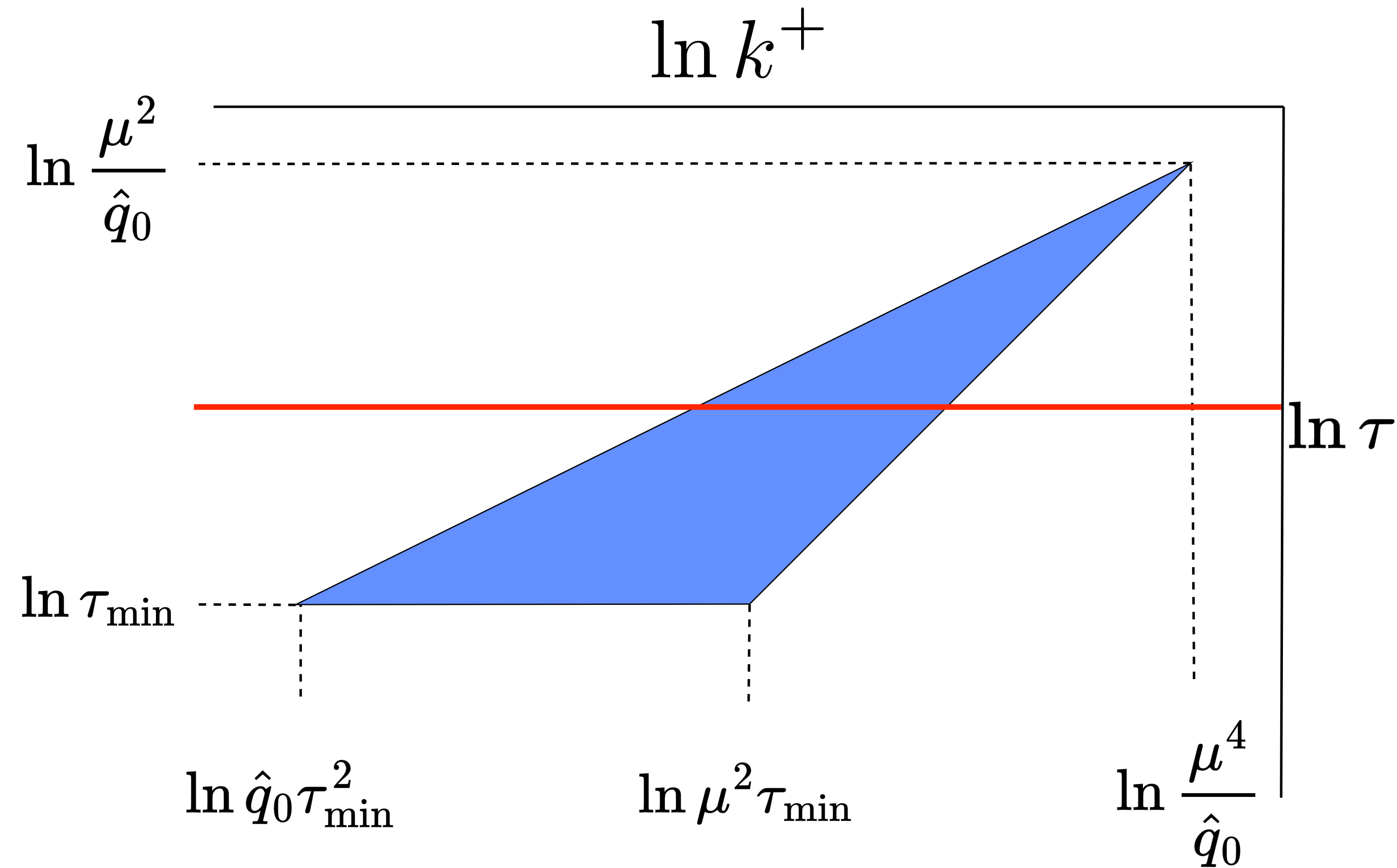
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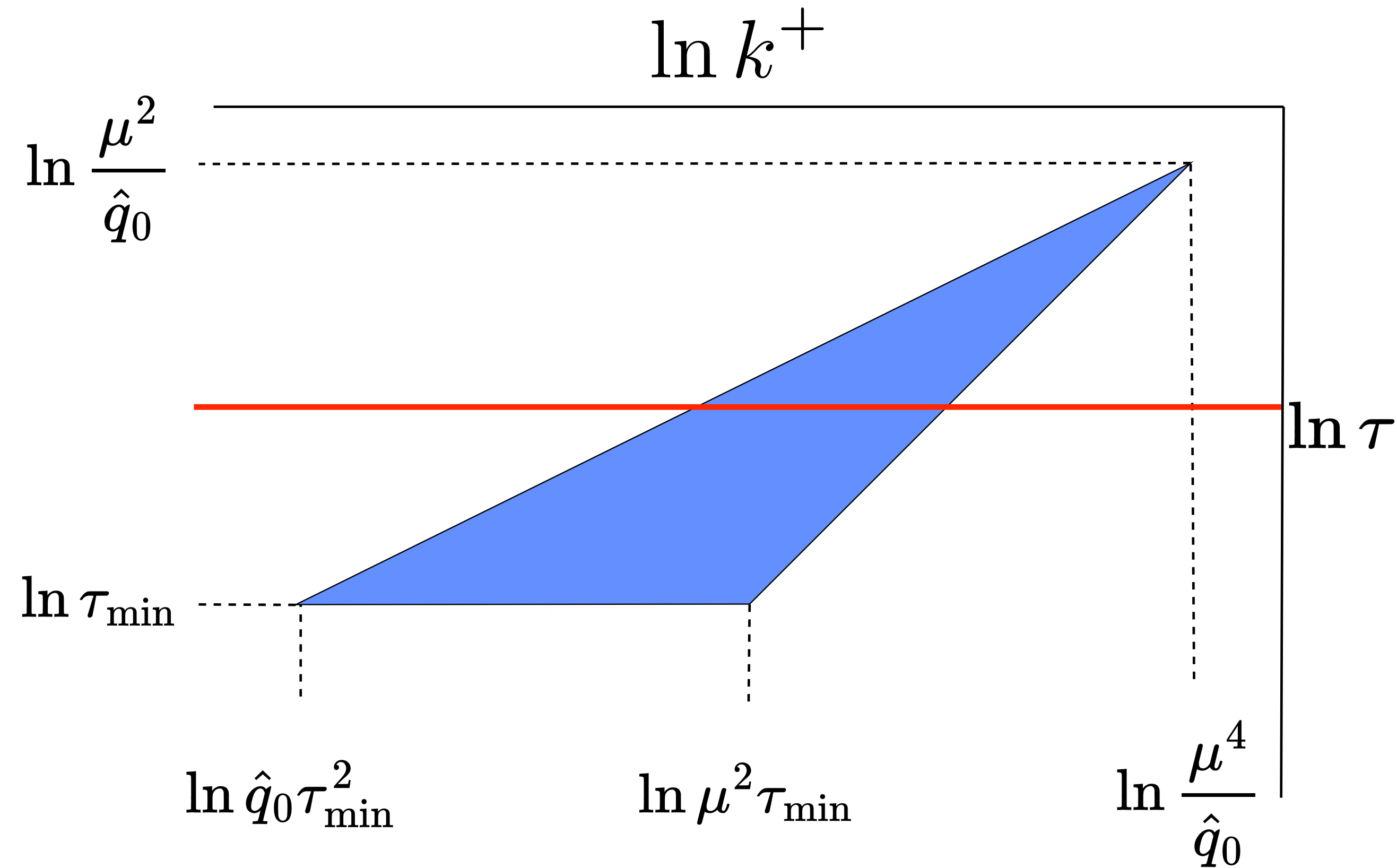
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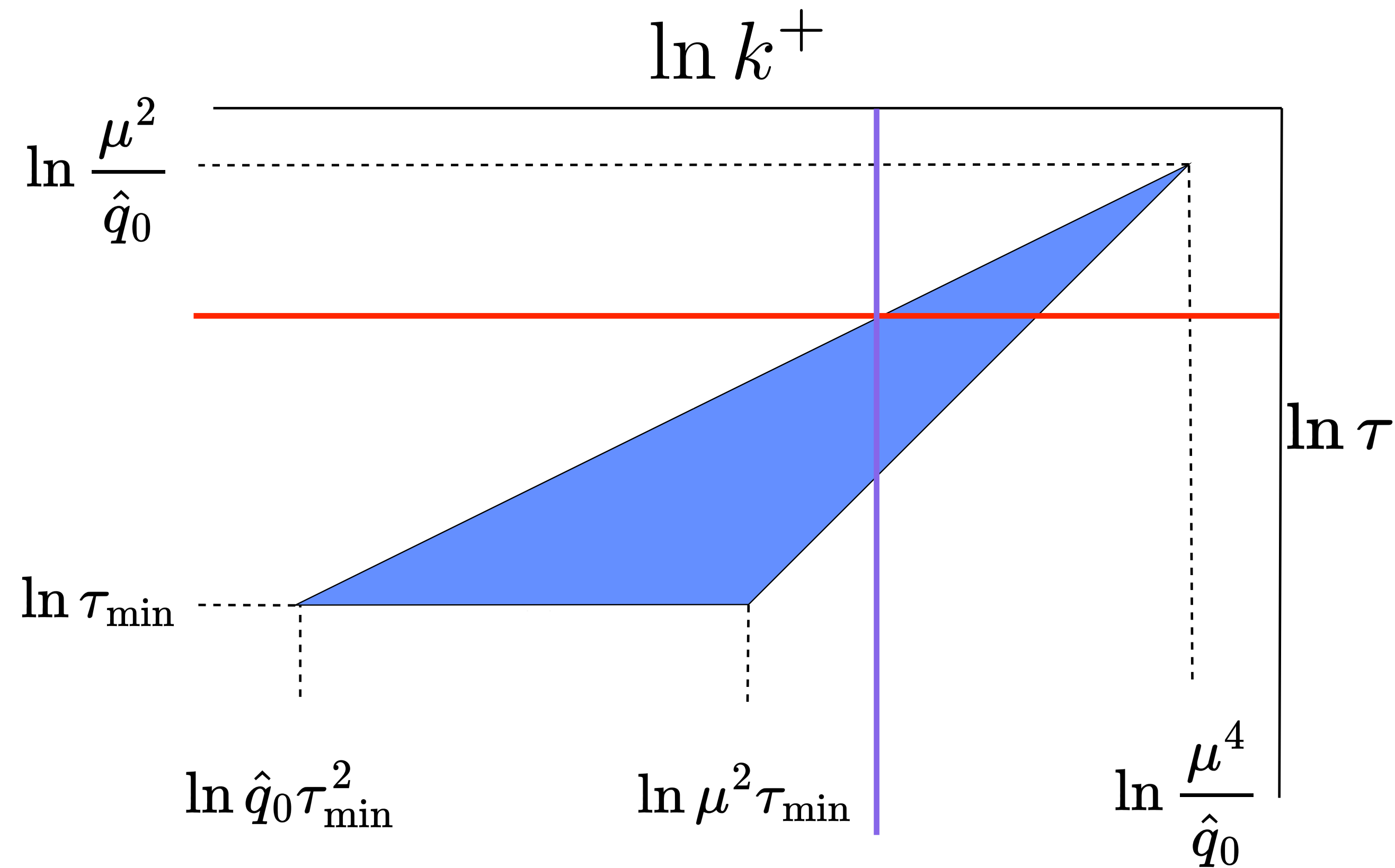
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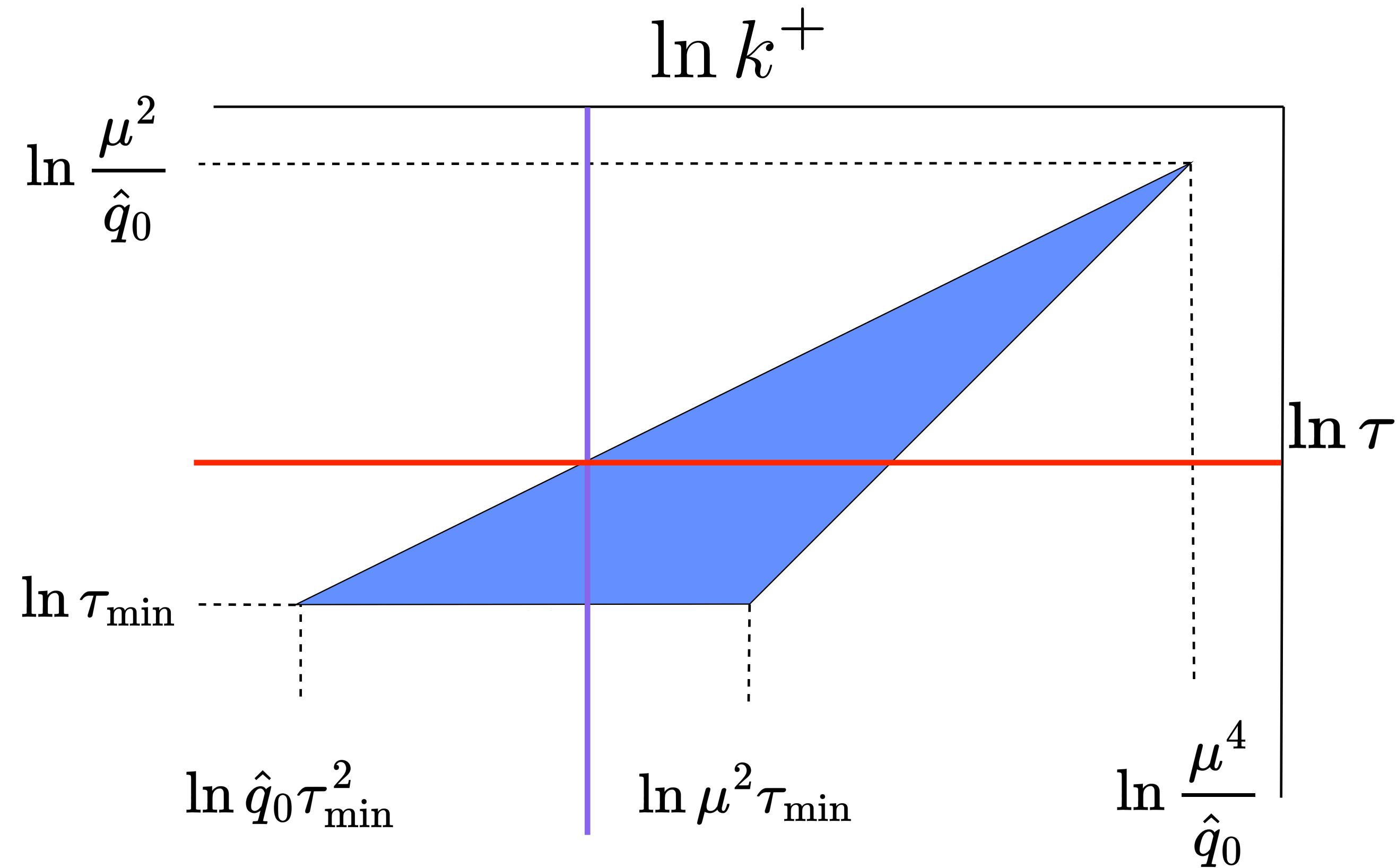
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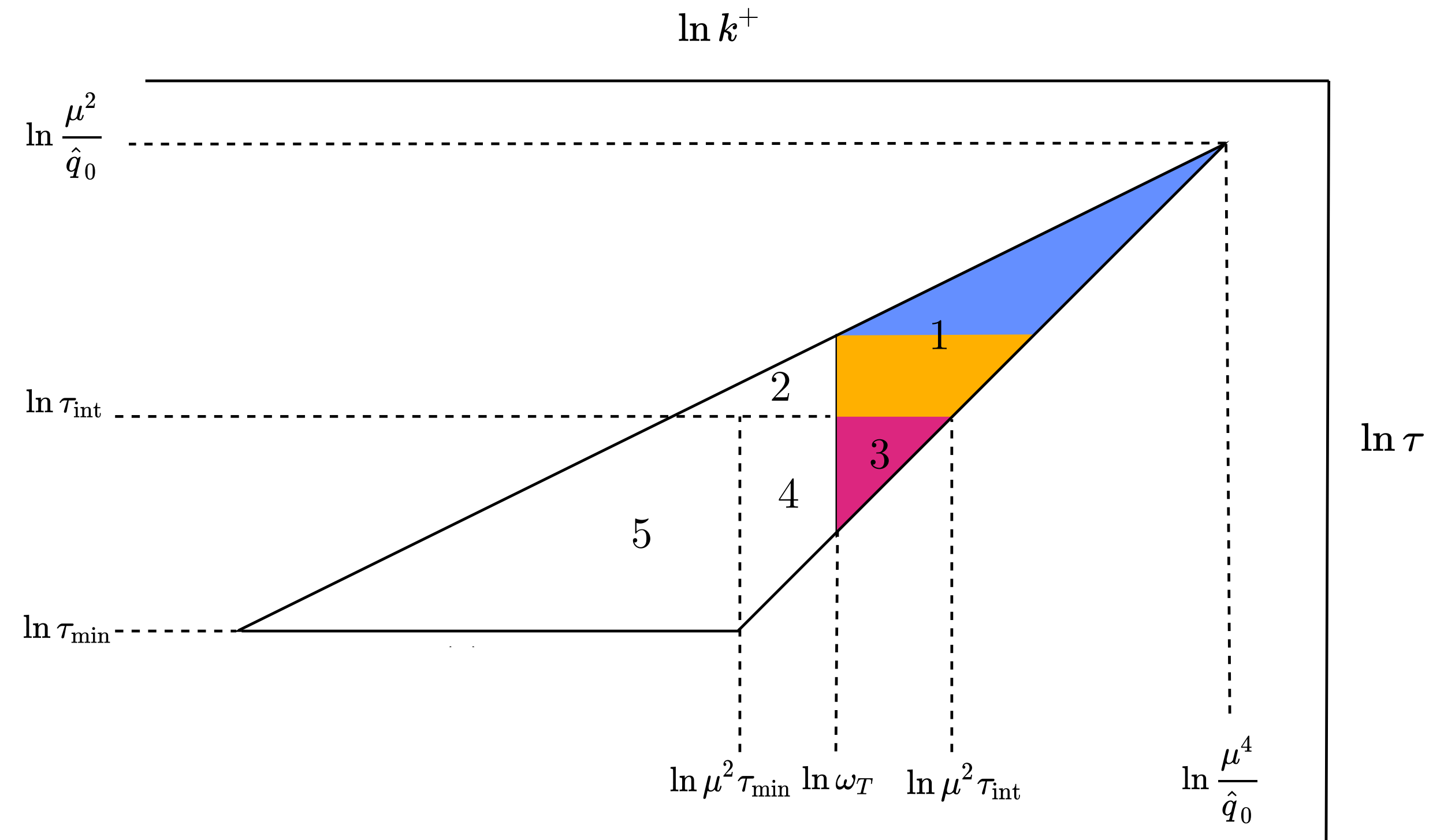
- Taking LMW / BDIM at face value
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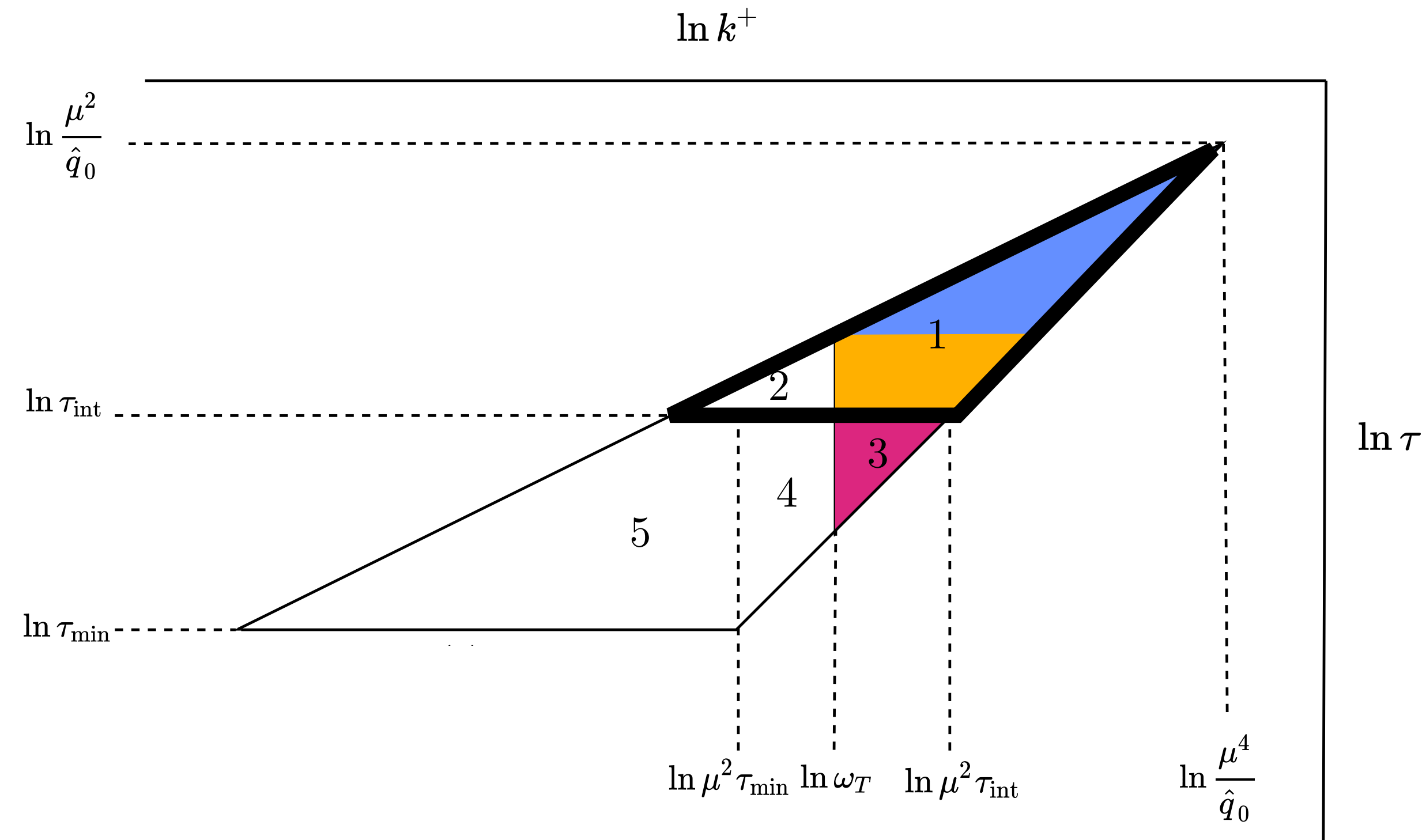
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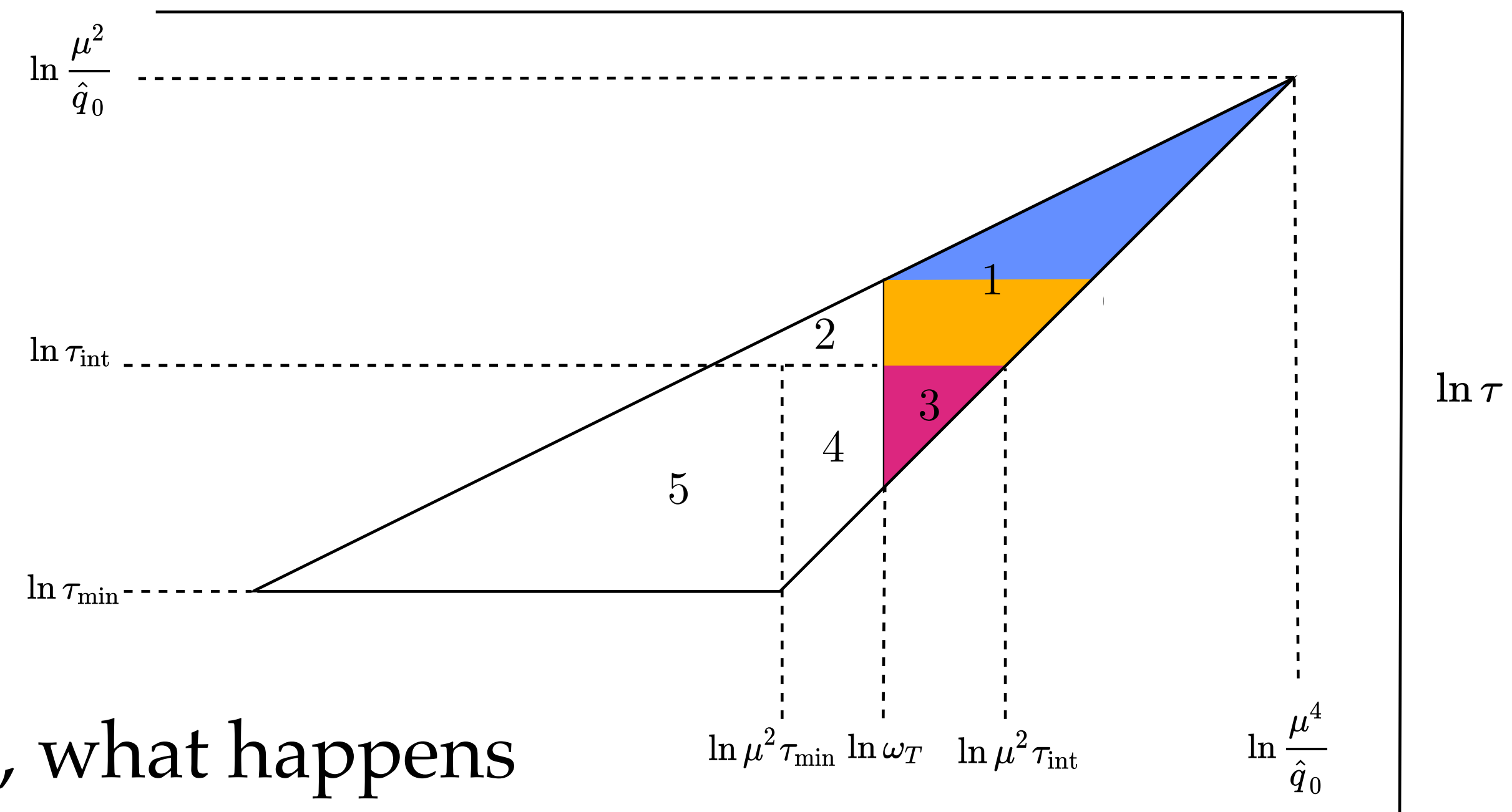
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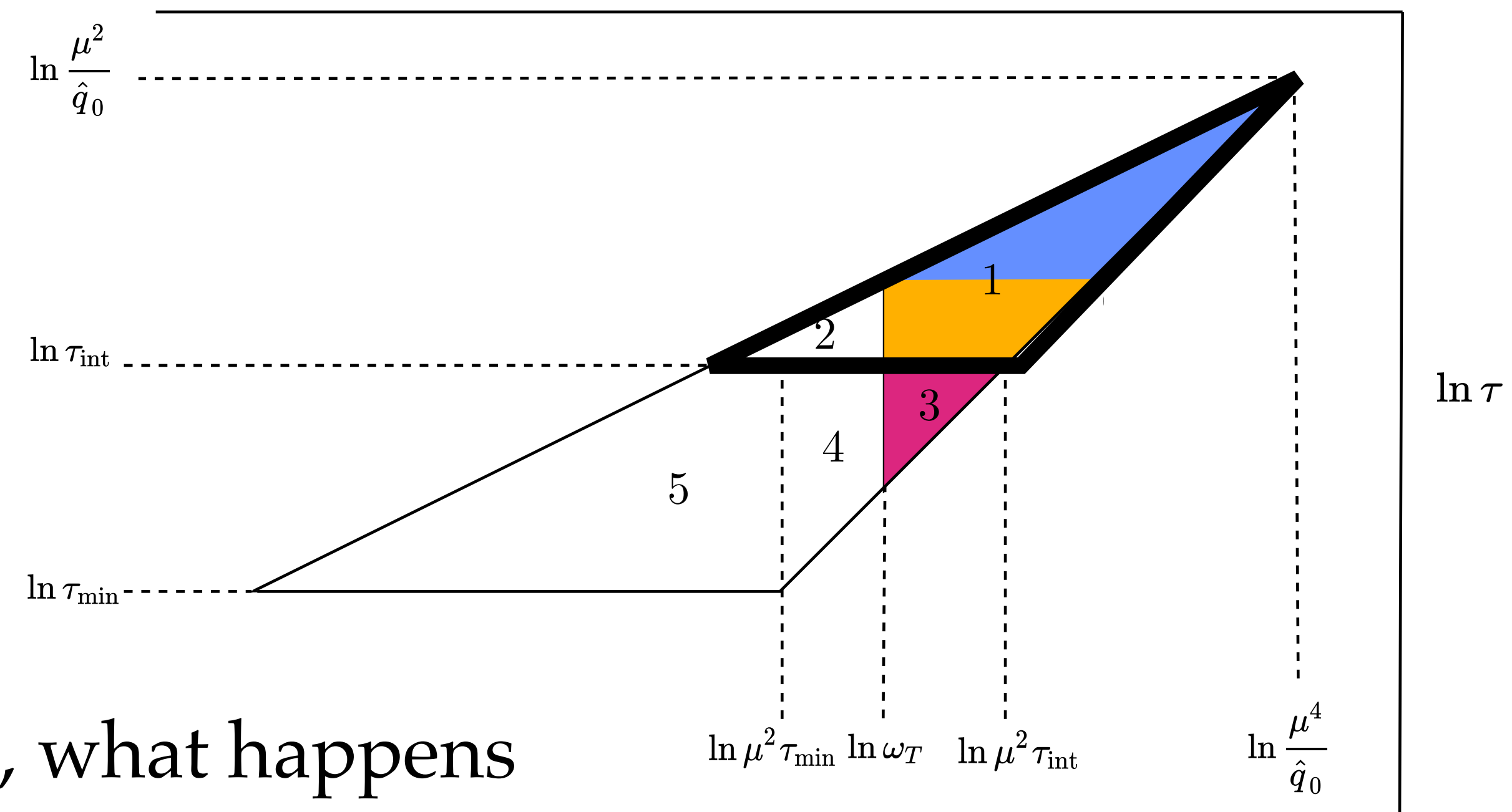
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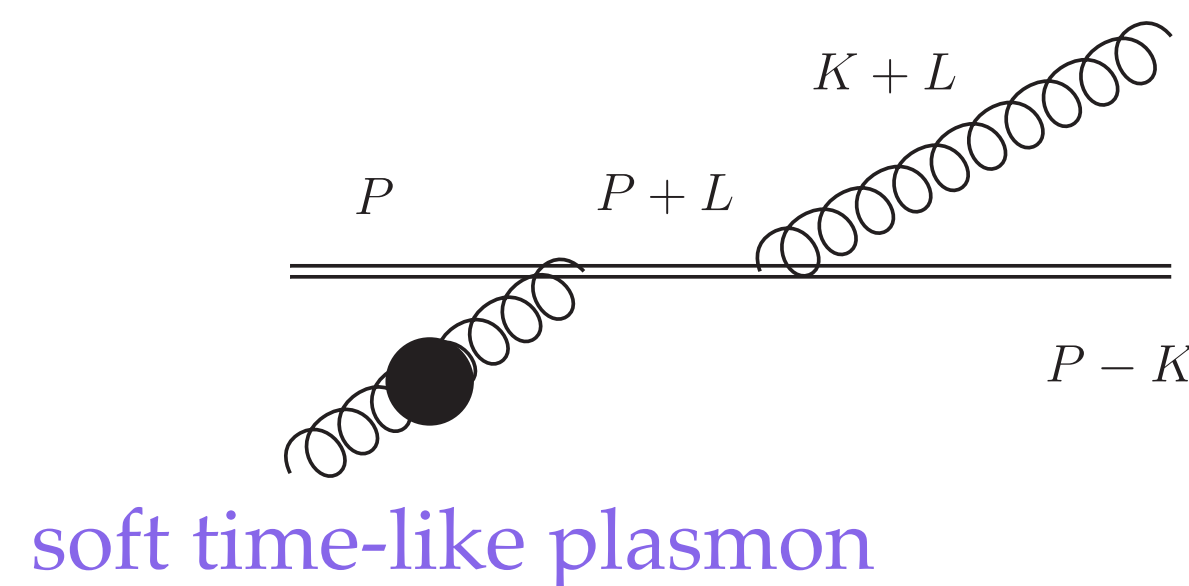
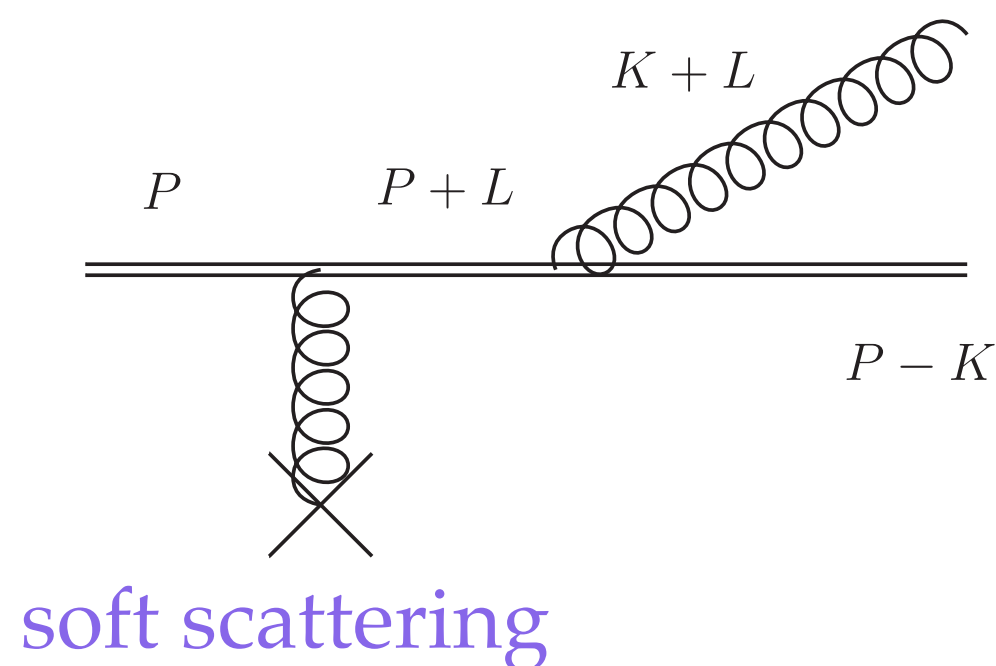
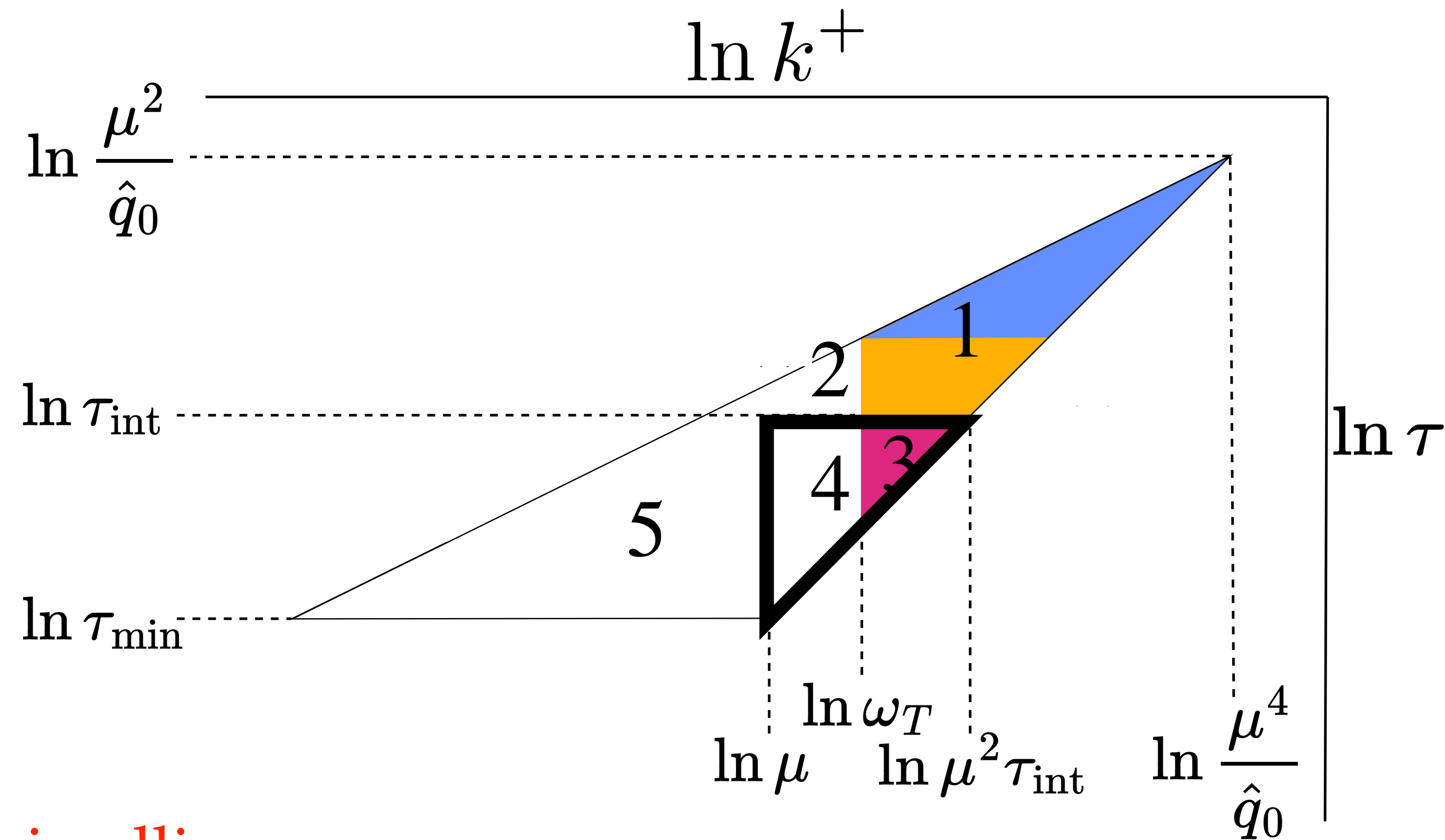
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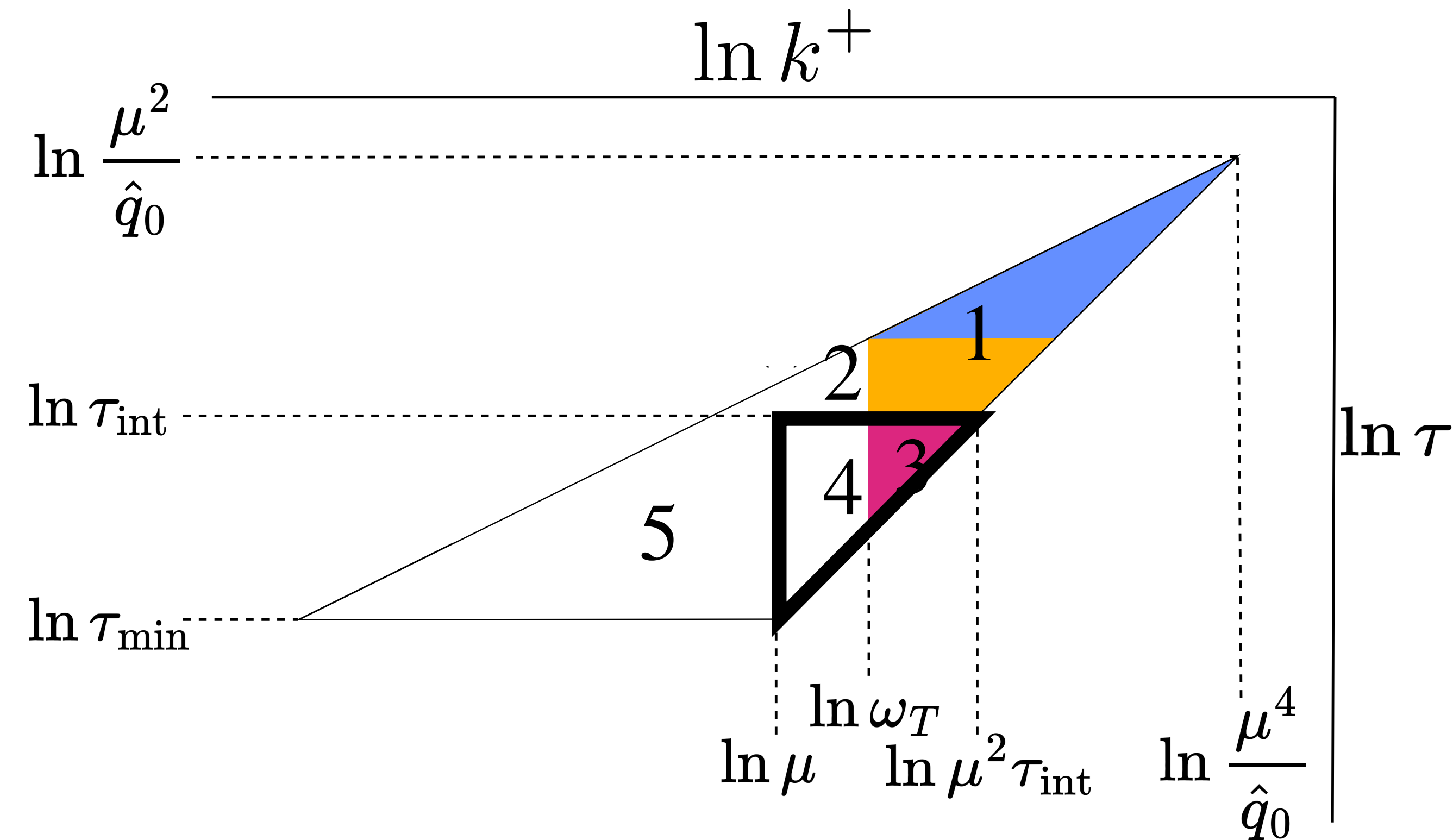
- Consider for illustration  $gT < \mu < T$
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- Here the **formation time overlaps with the duration** ( $\sim 1/gT$ ) of the soft scattering. Need to go beyond instantaneous approximation
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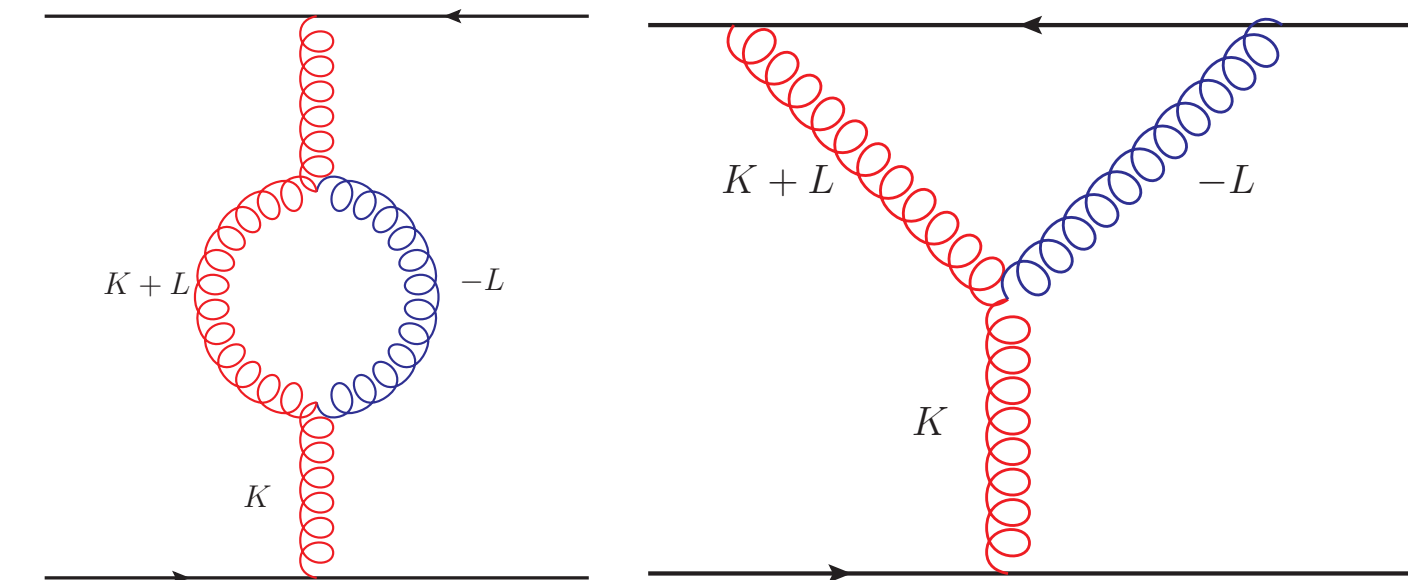
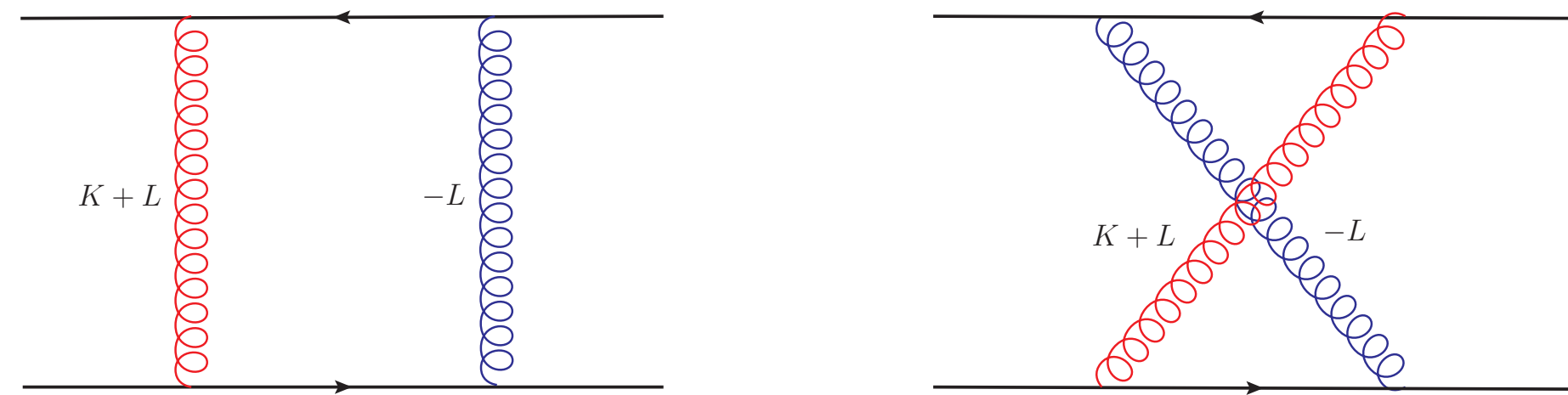
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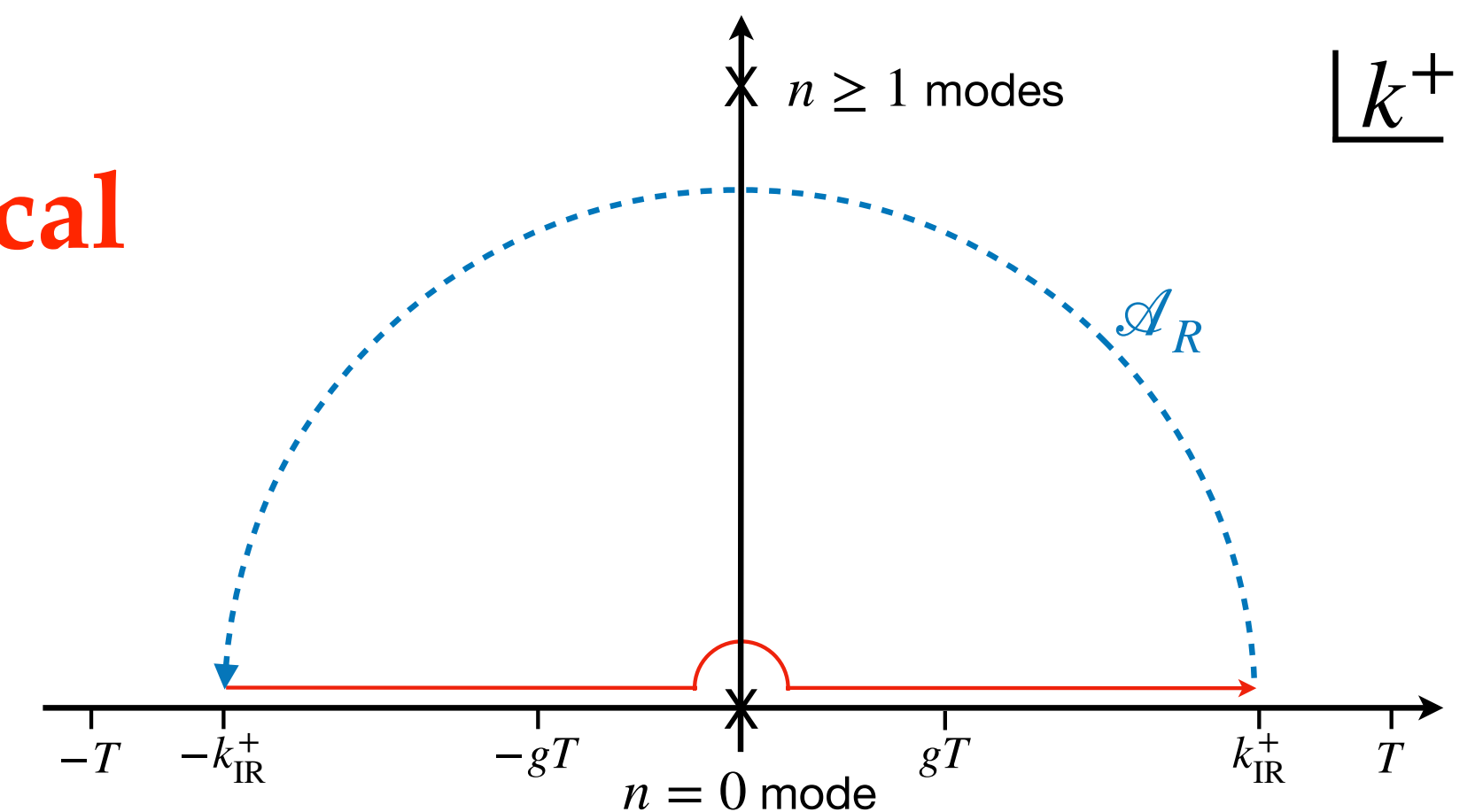
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# Connection to classical regime

- We computed these diagrams for  $K \gtrsim T, K \gg L$



- Caron-Huot computed the same diagrams for  $K \sim L \sim gT$
- $1/k_{\text{IR}}^+$  regulator dependence cancels at the **boundary**. No double counting
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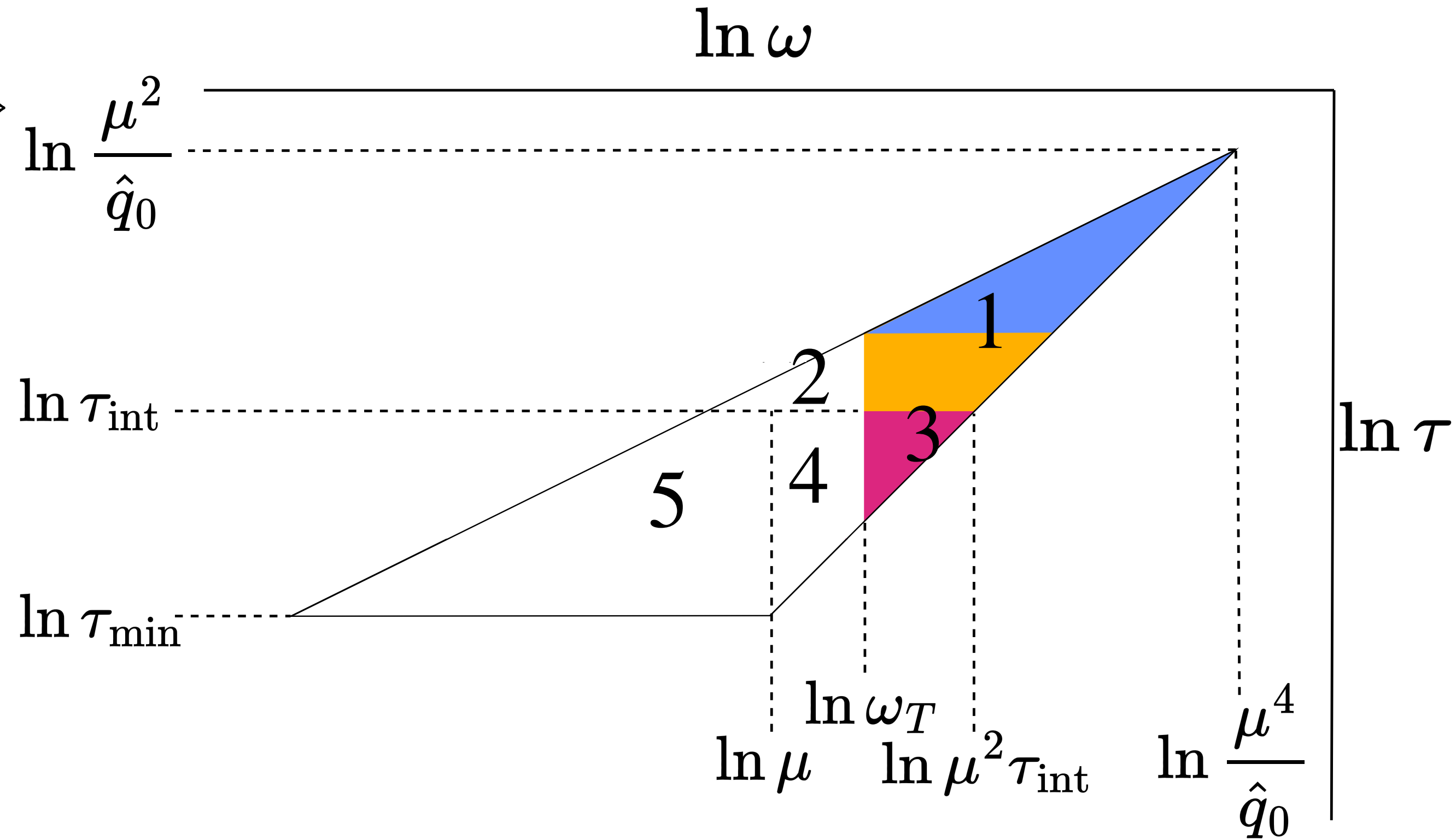
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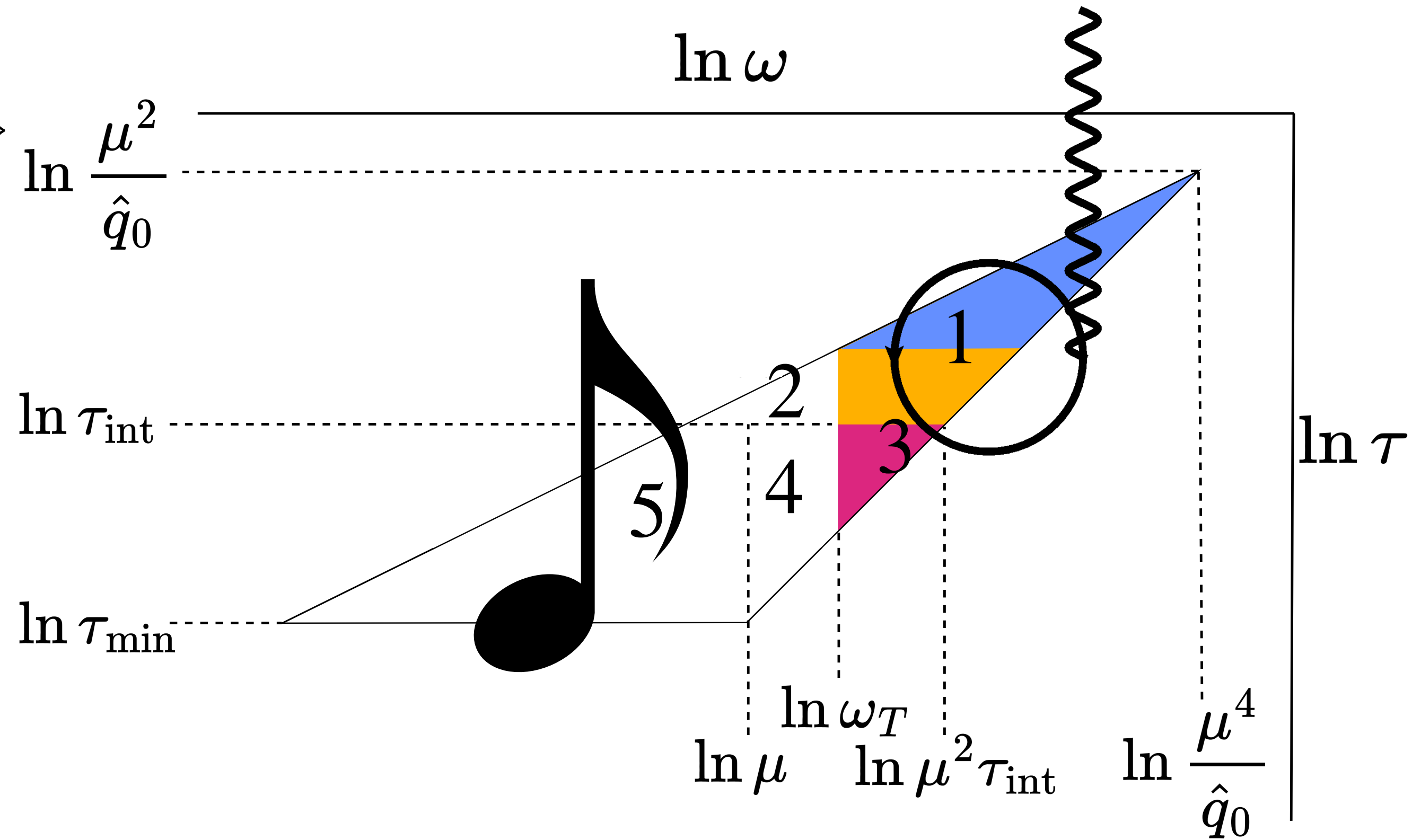
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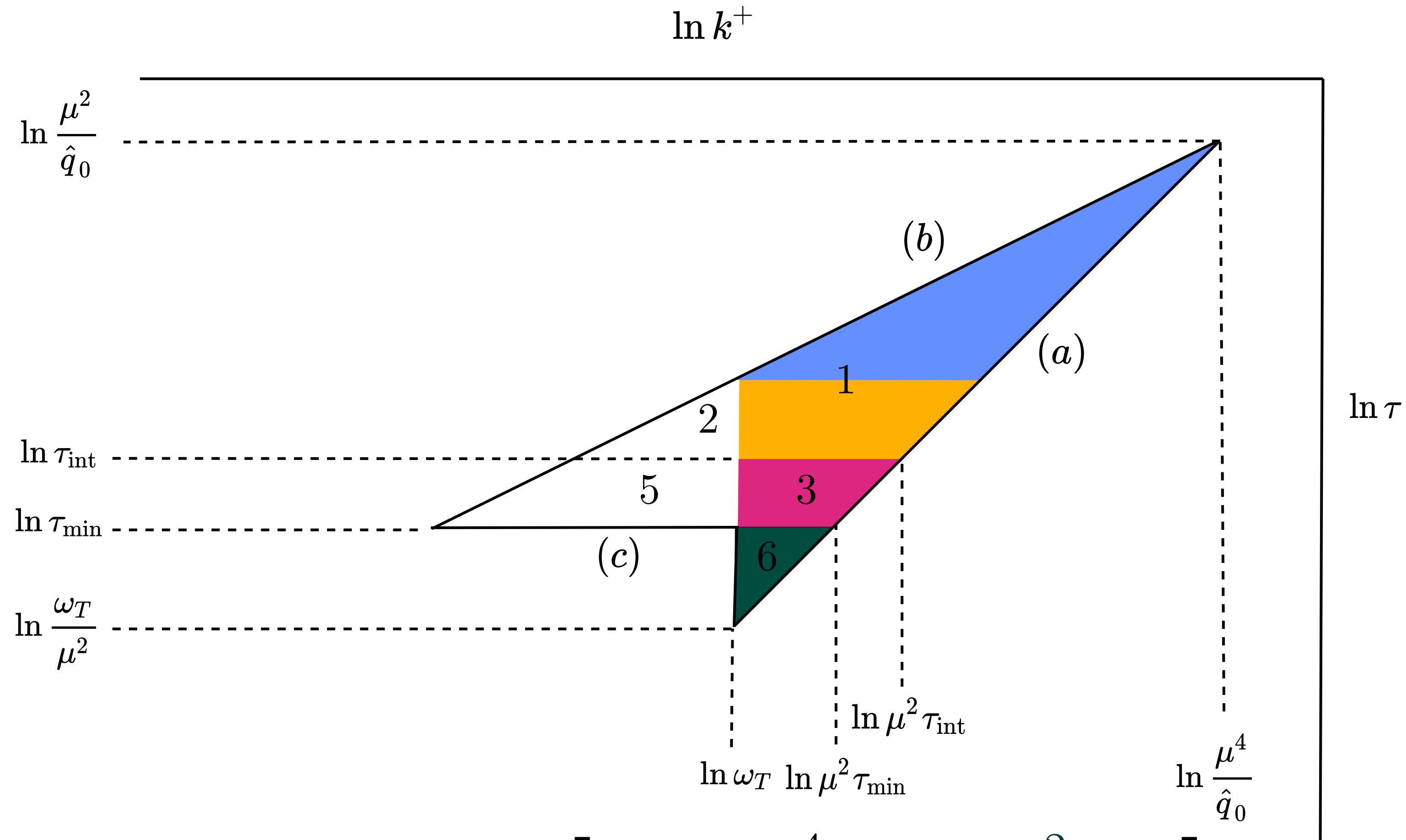
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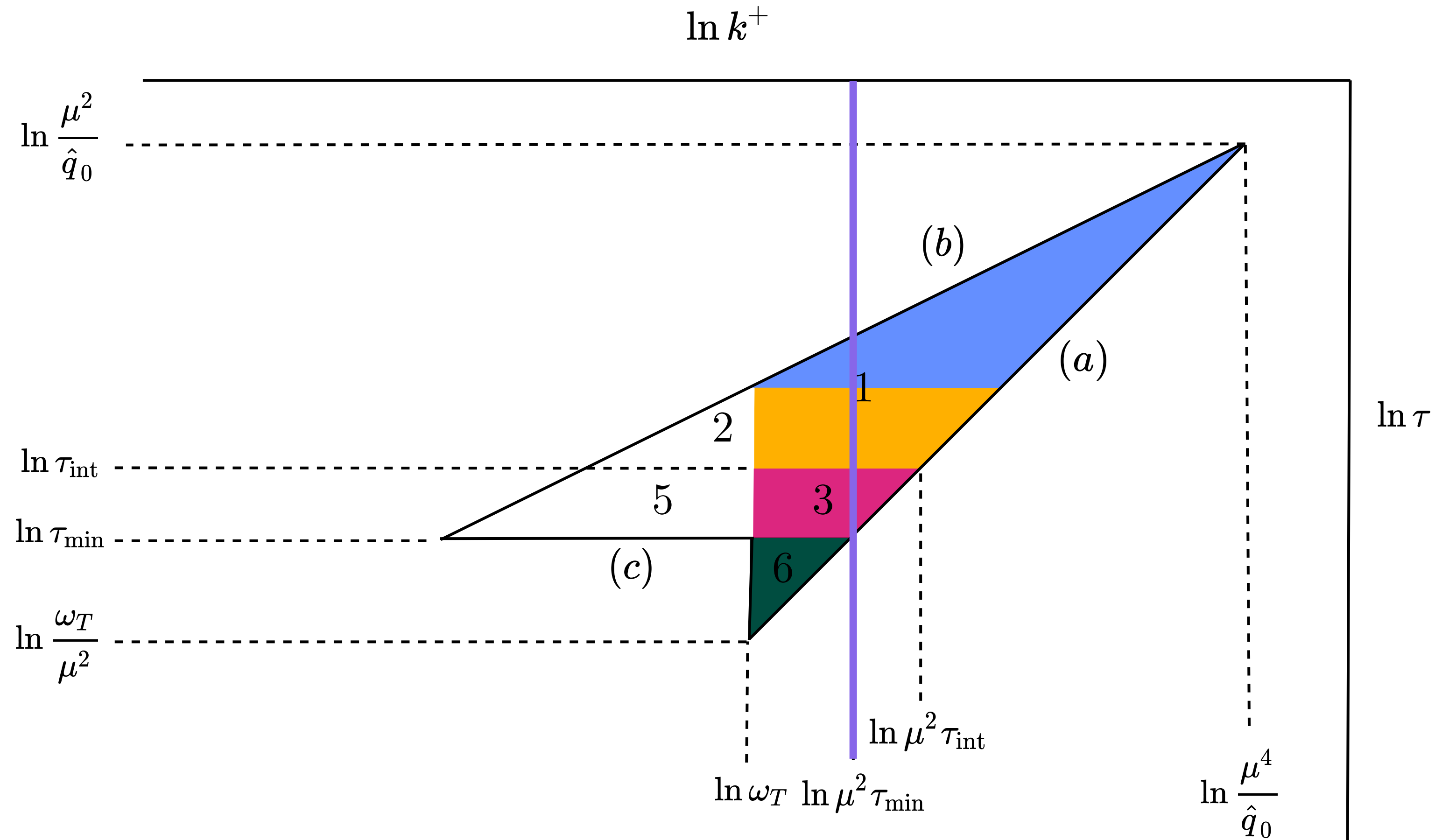
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# Outlook: beyond DLA

$$\delta\hat{q} = \frac{\alpha_s C_R}{4\pi} \hat{q}_0 \ln^2 \frac{\mu^4}{\hat{q}_0 \omega_T} + \dots$$

- Difficult to gauge impact of these double logs when single logs or smaller double logs are unavailable and the scale of  $\hat{q}_0$  is unclear
- Way forward: we present a resummation equation for  $\delta C(k_\perp)$ , including all needed thermal effects, generalizing [LMW](#) and [Iancu JHEP10 \(2014\)](#)
- Its solution would **smoothly interpolate** between single, few and many scatterings, shedding light on these issues by going beyond the harmonic oscillator approx
- Methods such as **improved opacity expansion** ([Barata Mehtar-Tani Soto-Ontoso Tywoniuk JHEP09 \(2021\)](#)) or numerics of [Andres et al JHEP07 \(2020\)](#), [JHEP03 \(2021\)](#) [Isaksen Tywoniuk JHEP09 \(2023\)](#) could be used

# Conclusions

- The emergence of **statistical functions** in a weakly-coupled QCD **seals off** the **low-frequency** slice of the original LMW triangle to **double logs**
- There, **double-log-enhanced quantum physics** makes way to **power-law enhanced classical physics**
- These results can be used as low  $\tau$  seed to the long- $\tau$  resummations of Caucal and Mehtar-Tani
- Evaluations beyond DLA could shed light on the hierarchy of classical and quantum corrections

Extra slides

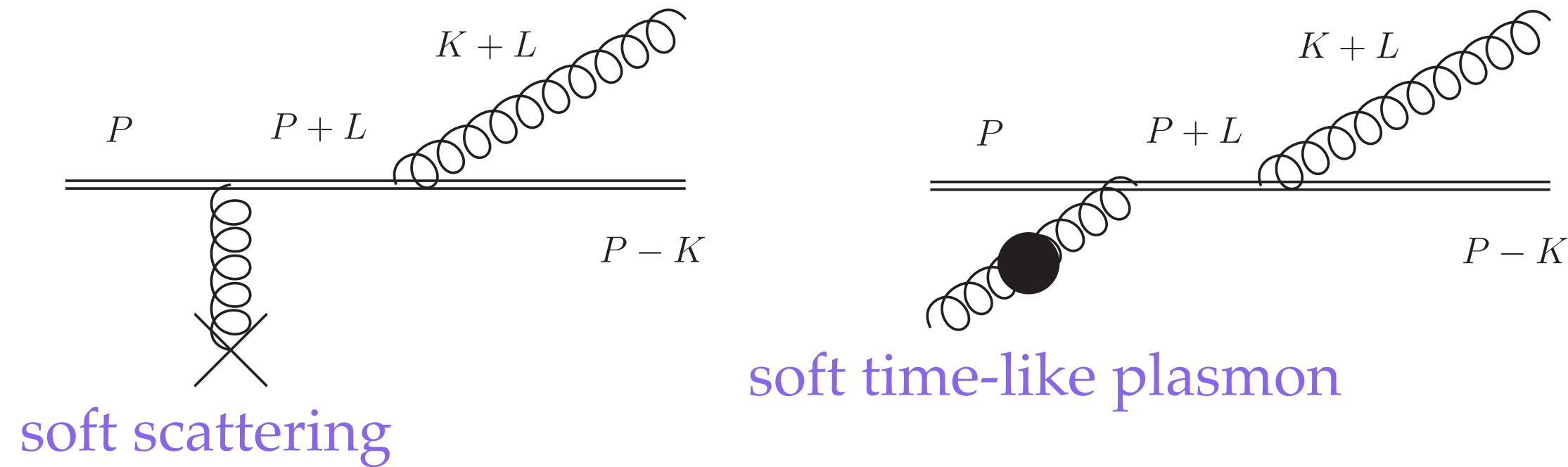


# Vacuum-thermal cancellation

$$\nu_{\text{IR}} \ll T \ll \nu_{\text{UV}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\nu_{\text{IR}}}^{\nu_{\text{UV}}} \frac{dk^+}{k^+} \left( \underbrace{1}_{\text{vacuum}} + \underbrace{2n_{\text{B}}(k^+)}_{\text{thermal}} \right) &= \underbrace{\ln \frac{\nu_{\text{UV}}}{\nu_{\text{IR}}}}_{\text{vacuum}} + \underbrace{\frac{2T}{\nu_{\text{IR}}} - \ln \frac{2\pi T}{\nu_{\text{IR}} e^{\gamma E}}}_{\text{thermal}} + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{\nu_{\text{IR}}}{T}, \exp(-\nu_{\text{UV}}/T) \right) \\ &= \frac{2T}{\nu_{\text{IR}}} + \ln \frac{\nu_{\text{UV}} e^{\gamma E}}{2\pi T} + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{\nu_{\text{IR}}}{T}, \exp(-\nu_{\text{UV}}/T) \right) \end{aligned}$$

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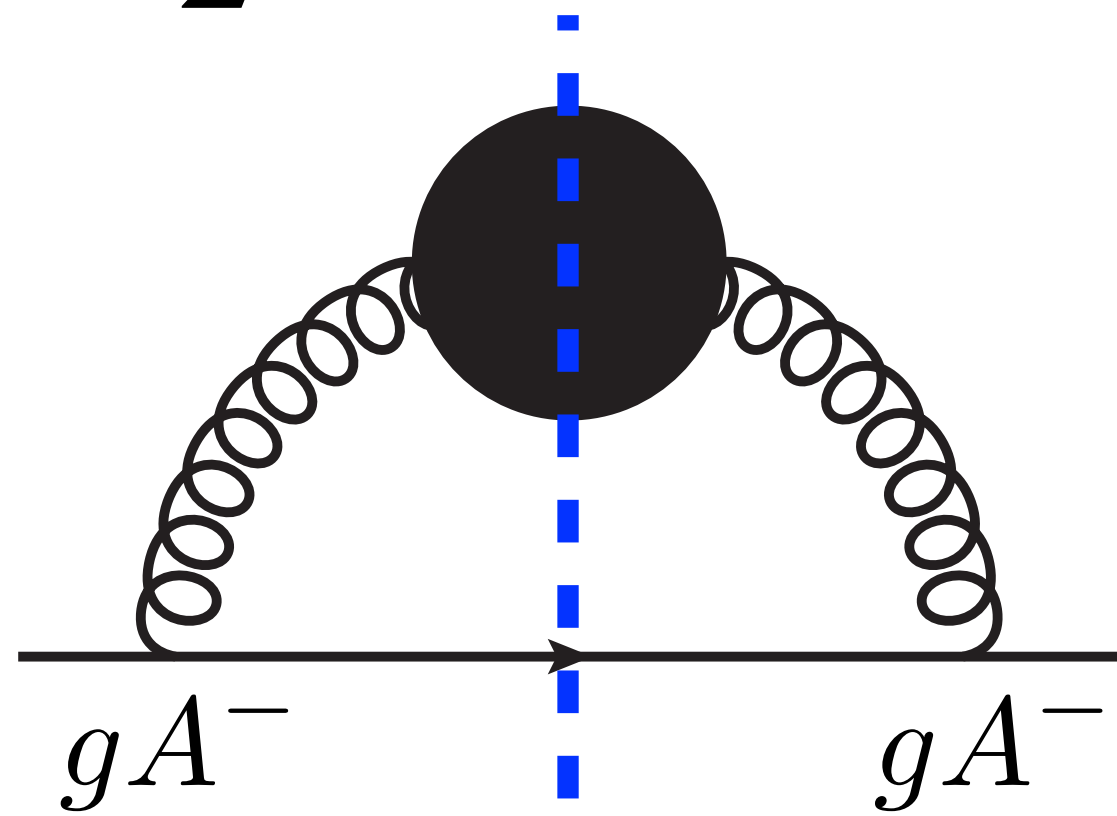
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$$\delta\mathcal{C}(x_\perp) = -2\alpha_s C_R \text{Re} \int \frac{dk^+}{k^{+3}} \left( \frac{1}{2} + n_B(k^+) \right) \int_0^{L_{\text{med}}} d\tau \nabla_{\mathbf{B}_{2\perp}} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{B}_{1\perp}} \left[ \tilde{G}(\mathbf{B}_{2\perp}, \mathbf{B}_{1\perp}; \tau) - \text{vac} \right] \Bigg|_{\substack{\mathbf{B}_{2\perp}=\mathbf{x}_\perp, \mathbf{B}_{1\perp}=0 \\ \mathbf{B}_{2\perp}=0, \mathbf{B}_{1\perp}=0}}$$

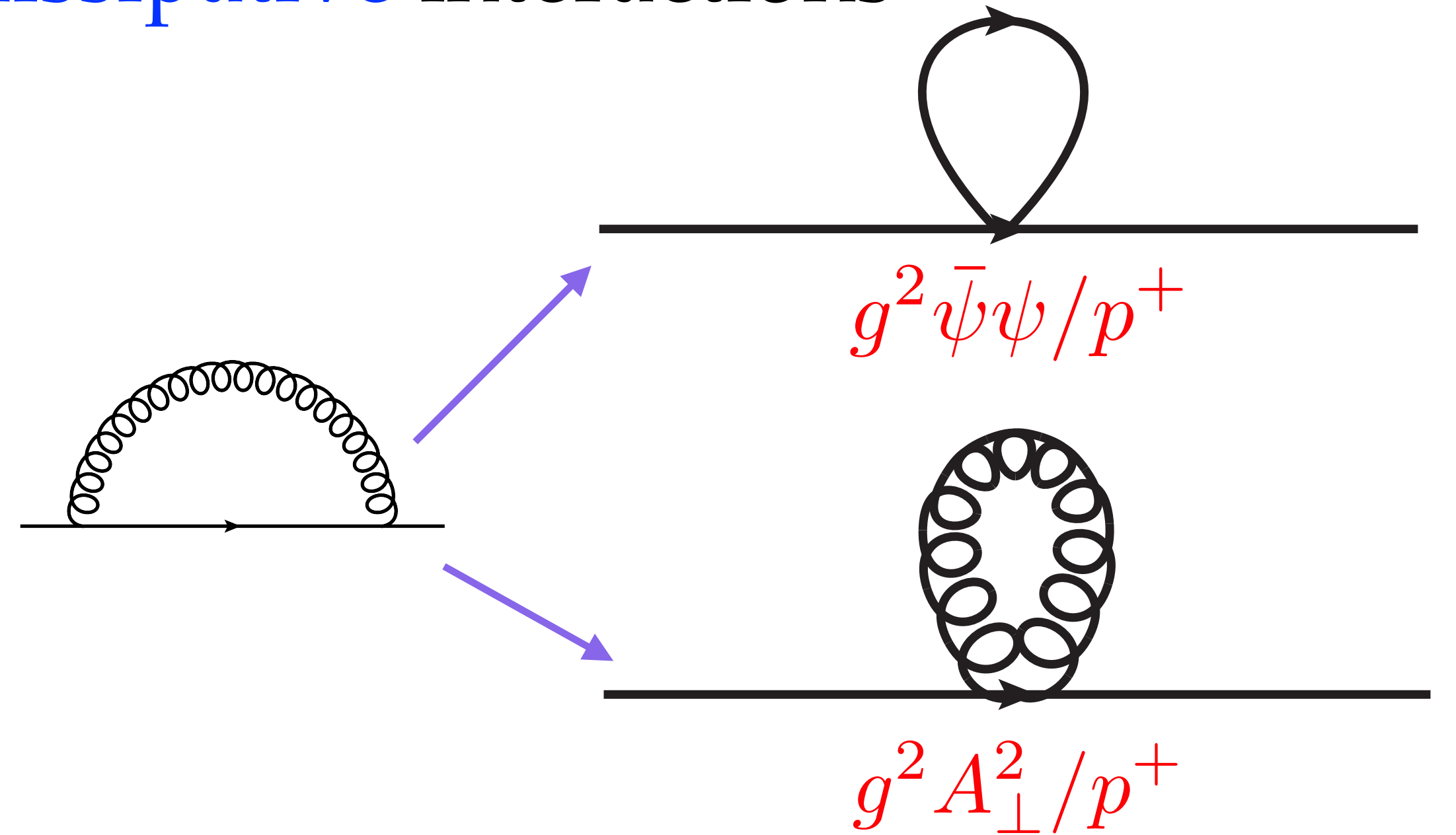
$$\left\{ i\partial_\tau + \frac{\nabla_{\mathbf{B}_\perp}^2 - m_{\infty g}^2}{2k^+} + \frac{i}{2} (\mathcal{C}_g(B_\perp) + \mathcal{C}_g(|\mathbf{B}_\perp - \mathbf{x}_\perp|) - \mathcal{C}_g(x_\perp)) \right\} \tilde{G}(\mathbf{B}_\perp, \mathbf{B}_{1\perp}; \tau) = 0$$

# Hard partons through the medium

- Imagine a hard quark propagating through a medium with  $p^+ \equiv \frac{p^0 + p^z}{2} \gg T$ . **Dispersive** and **dissipative** interactions



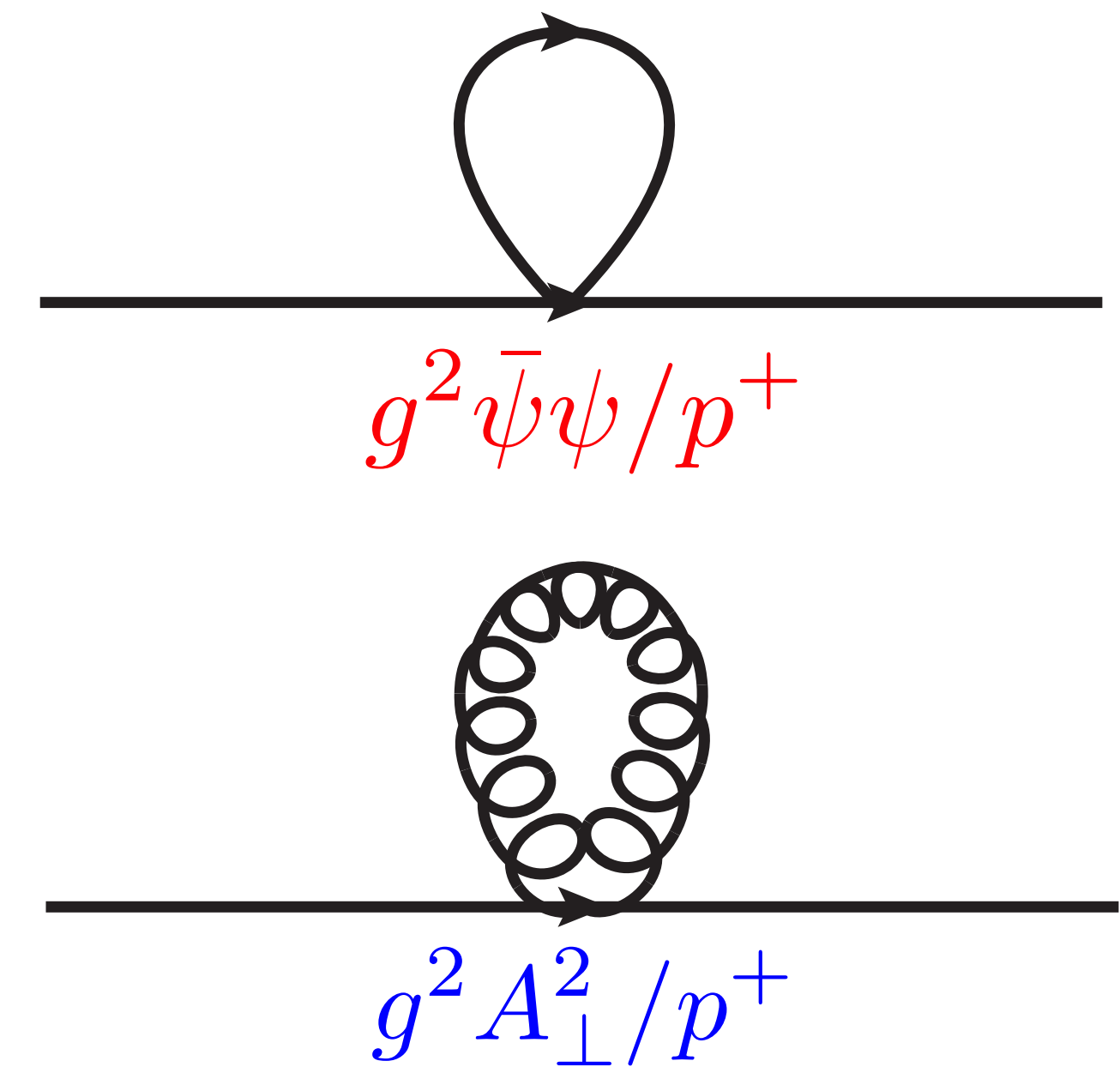
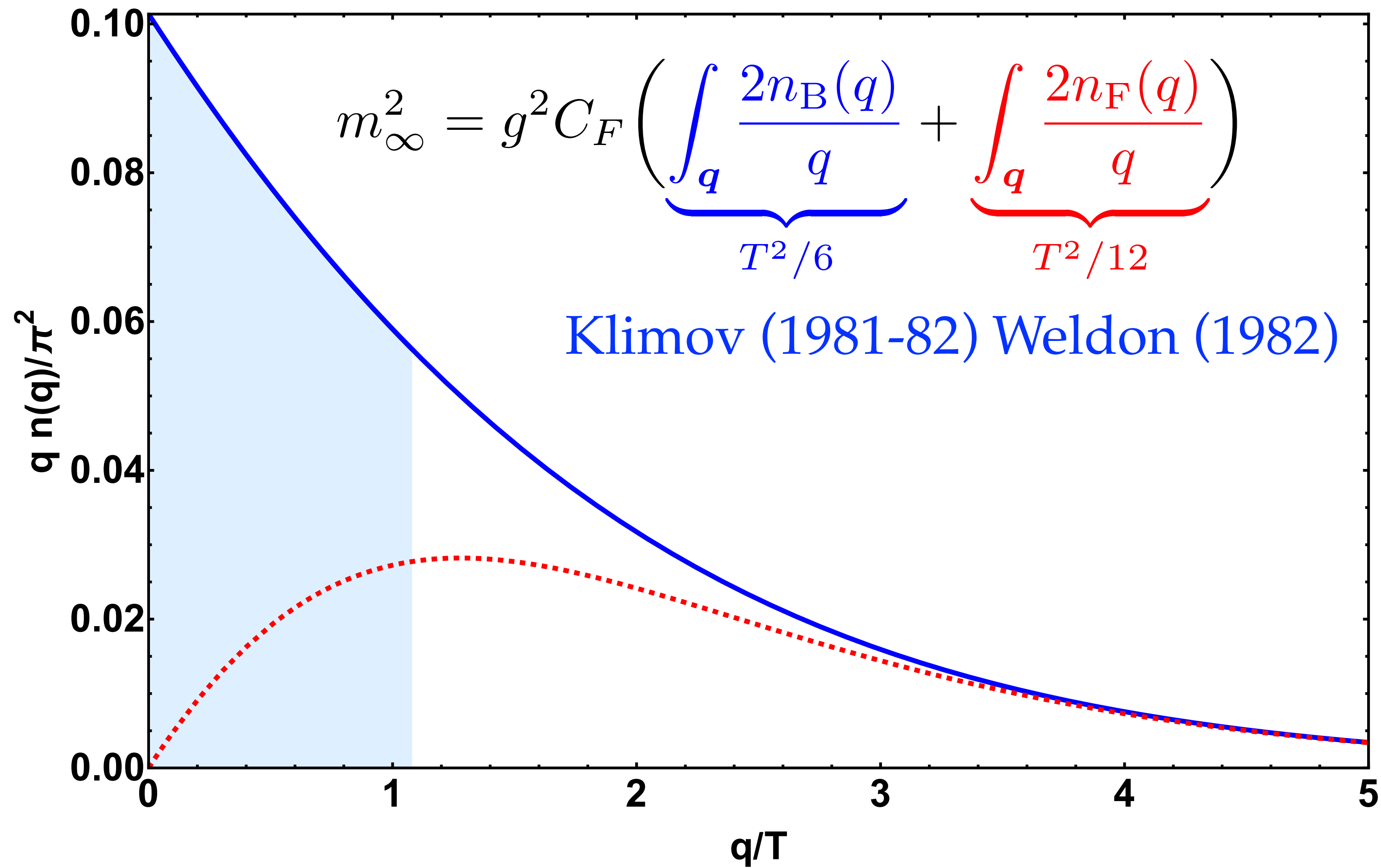
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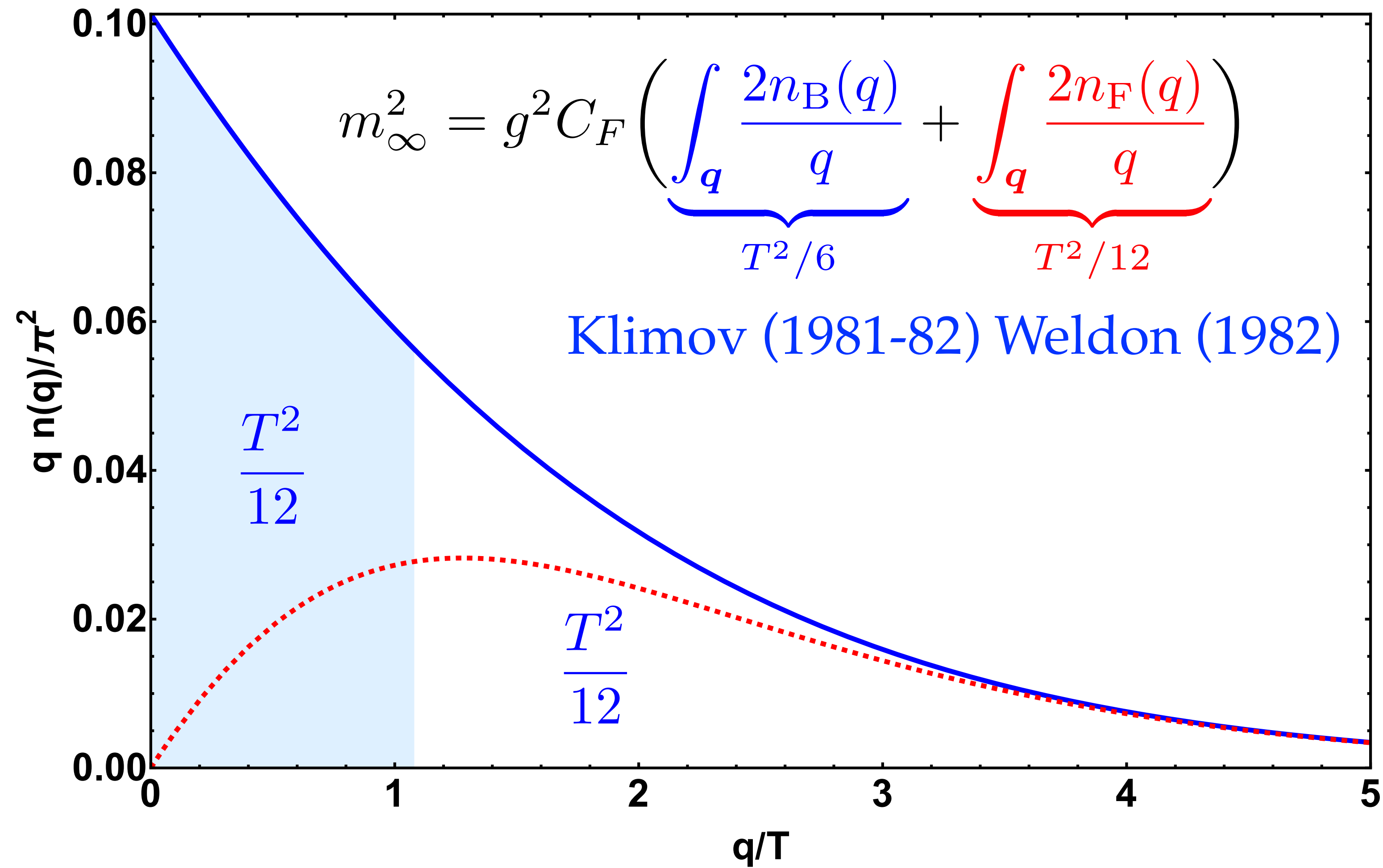
- The mass shift is then  $m_\infty^2 = g^2 T^2/3$  for a hard quark close to the mass shell

Klimov (1981-82) Weldon (1982)

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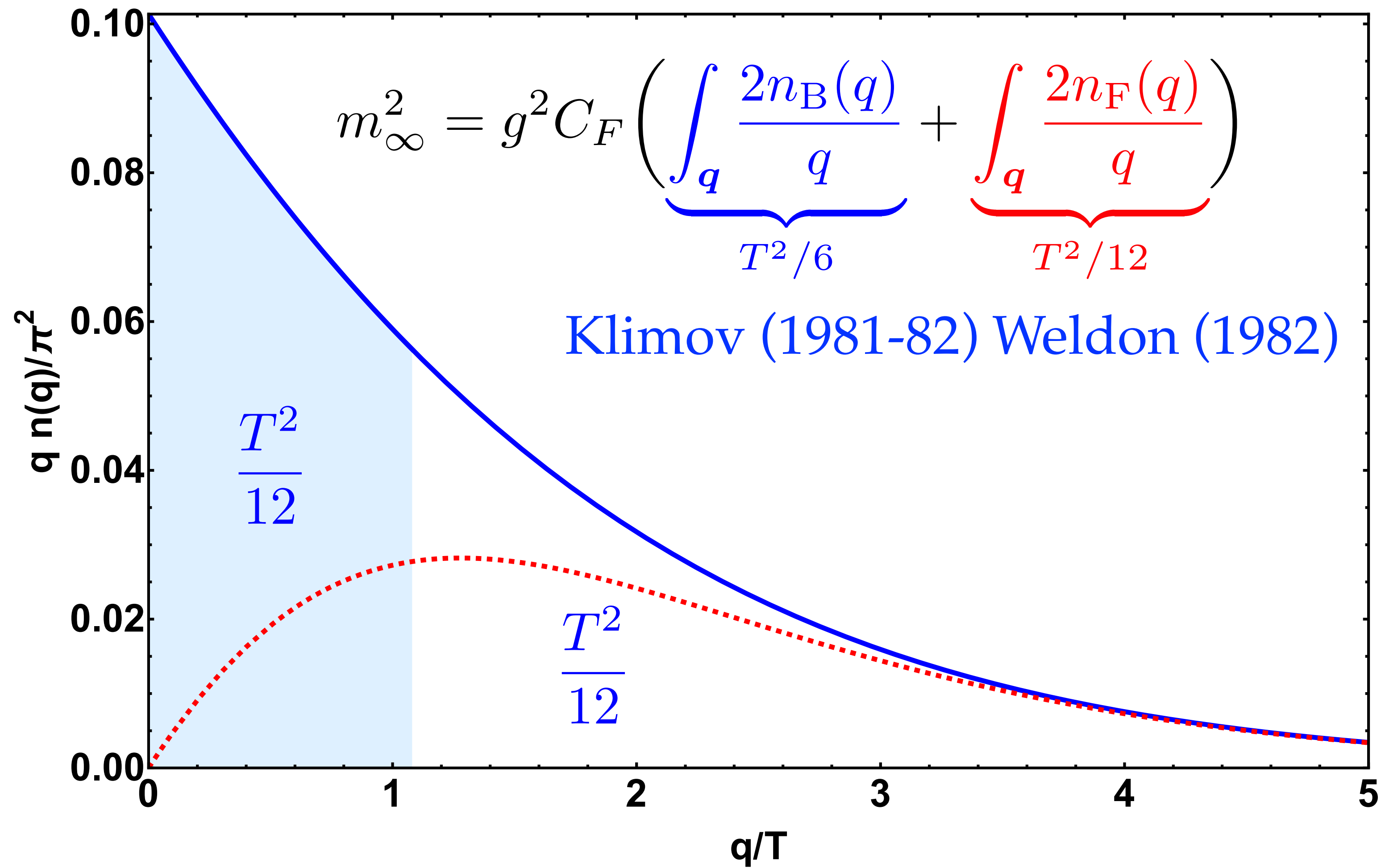
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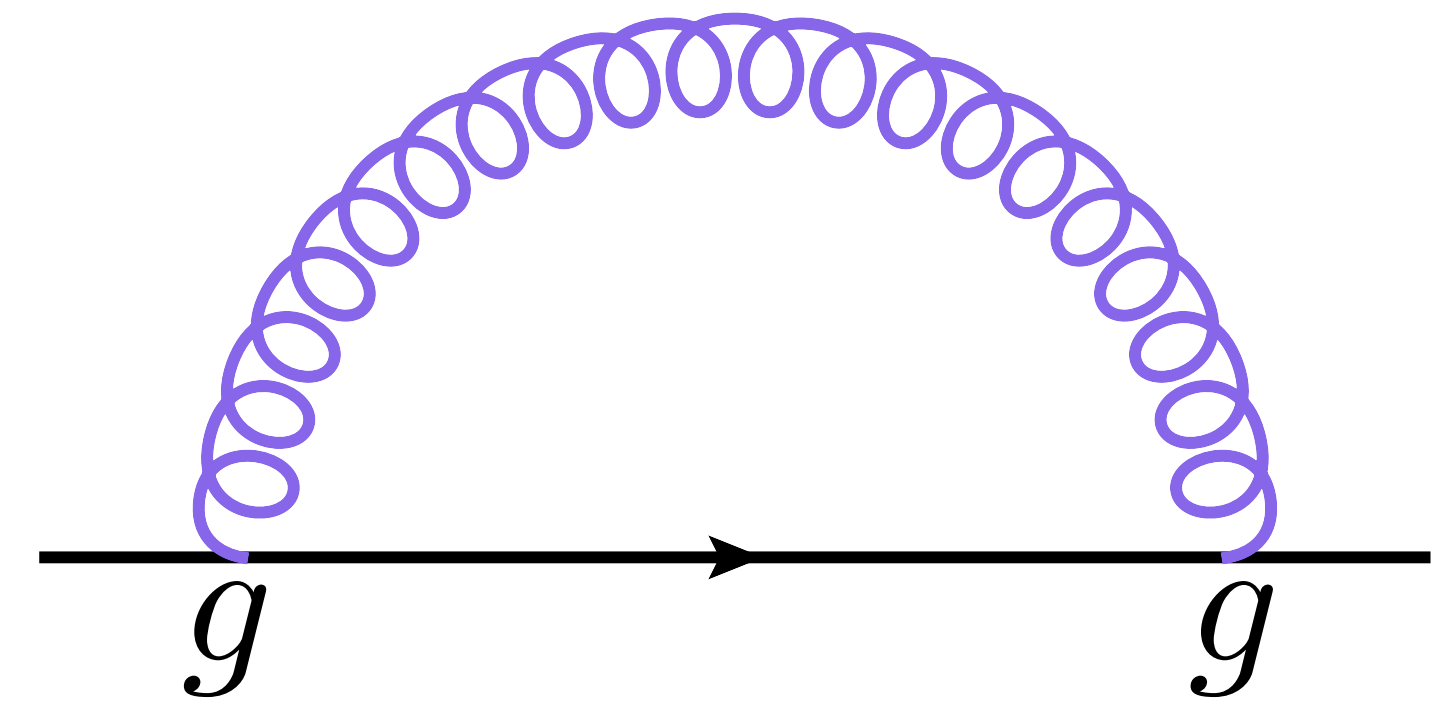
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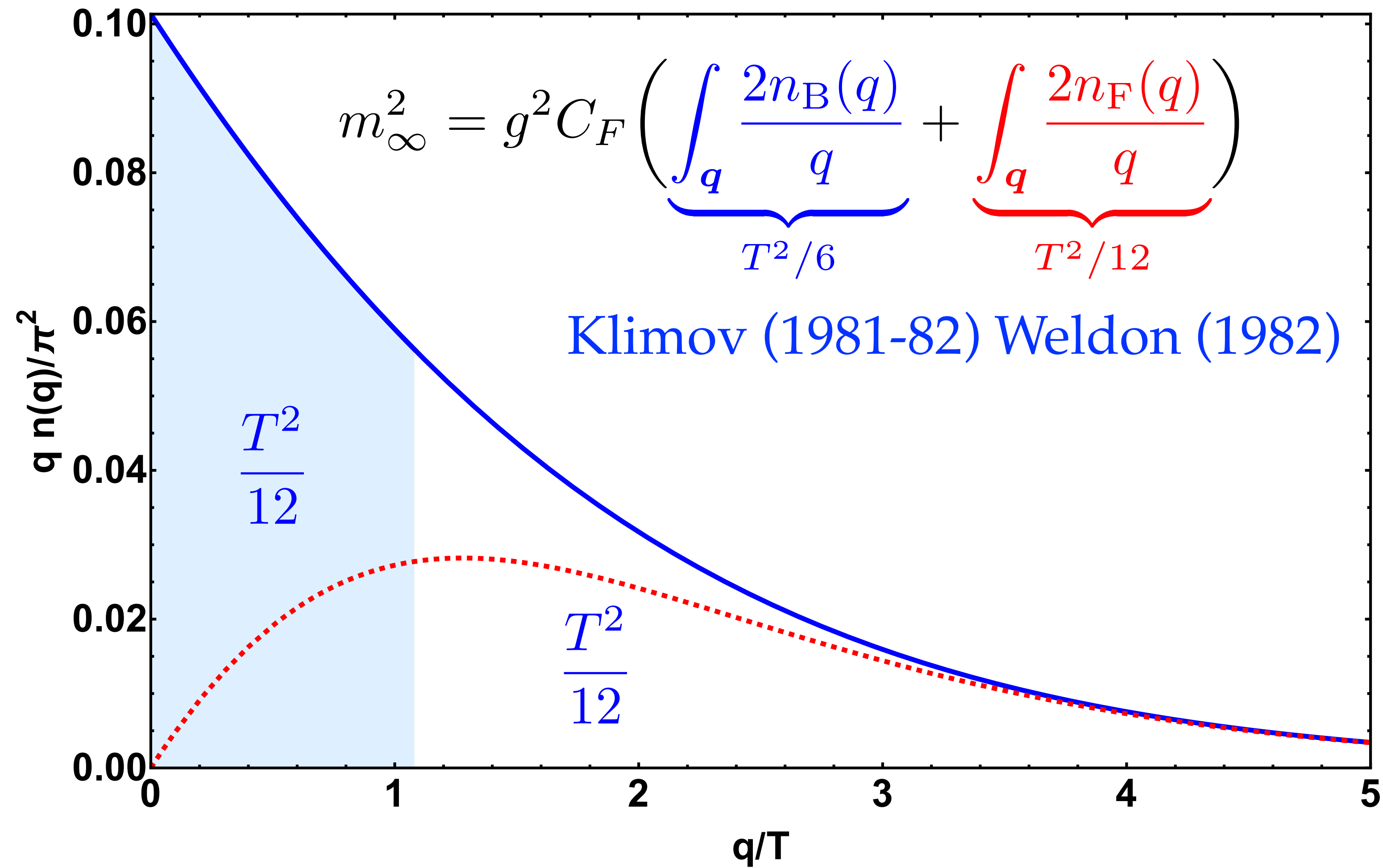


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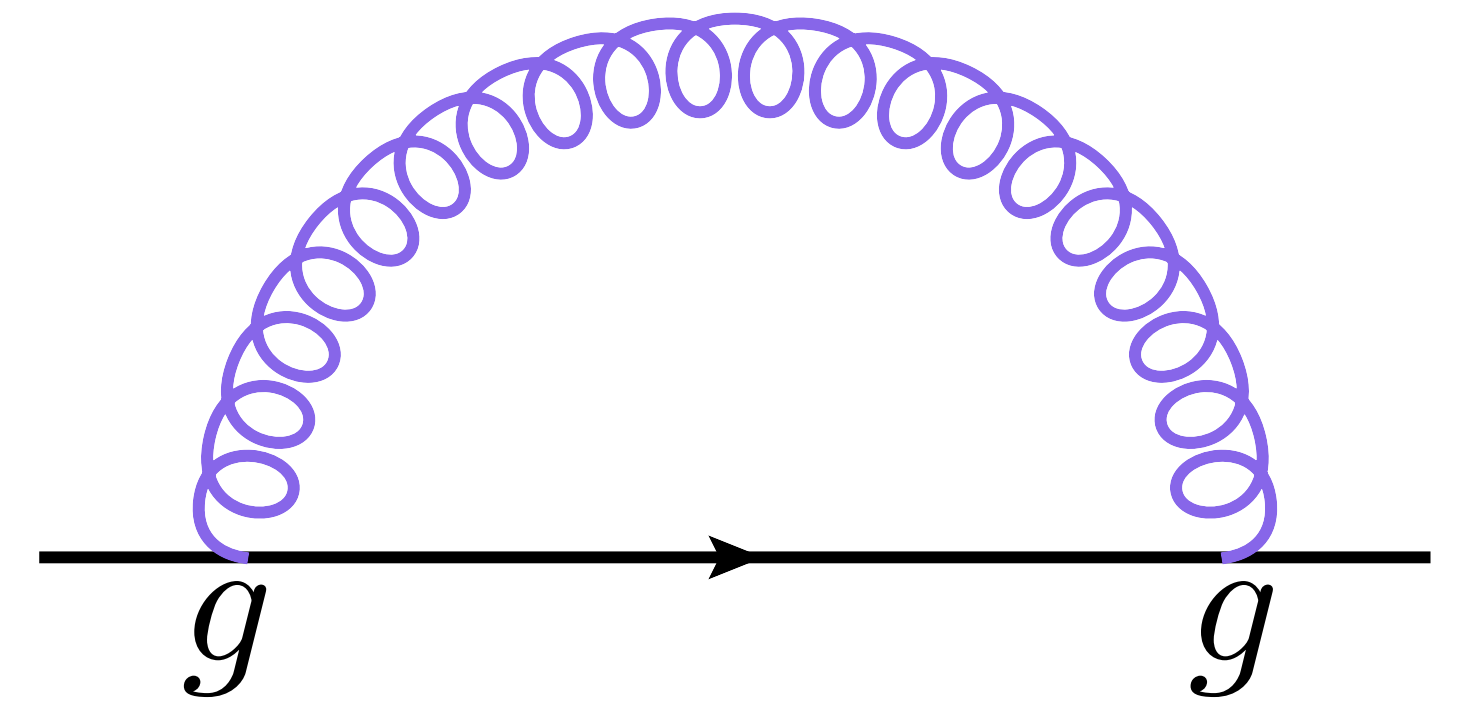


- We can then expect large contributions from soft classical gluons

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- For  $q \lesssim gT$  this contribution becomes non-perturbative,  $g^2 n_B(q) \sim 1$



# The asymptotic mass, non-perturbatively

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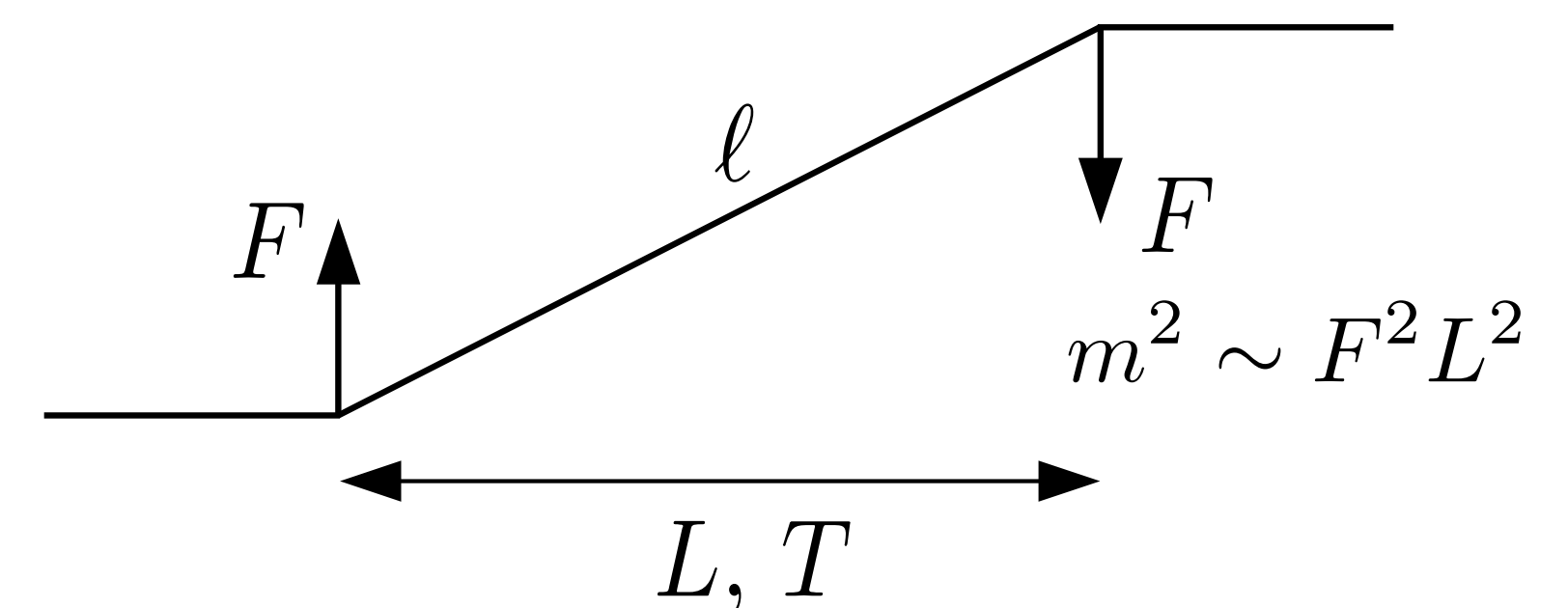


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Caron-Huot (2008)



Moore Schlusser (2020)

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- Breakthrough: soft classical modes at space-like separations become **Euclidean and time-independent**. Light-like limit possible, see main talk before for caveats in the case of  $\hat{q}$ .
- Horrible HTL perturbative calculation or extremely challenging 4D lattice on the light-cone become 3D Electrostatic QCD (EQCD).  $\text{NLO } \delta Z_g = -\frac{Tm_D}{2\pi}$

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- **Our strategy:** lattice EQCD for  $L \gtrsim 1/m_D$ , pQCD for  $L \lesssim 1/m_D \sim 1/gT$

What does it mean in practice?

- Recently: continuum-extrapolated EQCD lattice data for the scattering kernel and merging with pQCD Moore Schlusser **PRD101** (2020) Moore Schlichting Schlusser Soudi **JHEP2110** (2021) Schlichting Soudi **PRD105** (2022)

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- EQCD is the *dimensionally-reduced* (3D) EFT for the classical modes, which correspond to the Euclidean zero modes. **3D SU(3)** + **adjoint Higgs** ( $A_0 \rightarrow \Phi$ )

$$S_{\text{EQCD}} = \int_{\vec{x}} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} F_{ij} F_{ij} + \text{Tr} [D_i, \Phi] [D_i, \Phi] + m_D^2 \text{Tr} \Phi^2 + \lambda_E (\text{Tr} \Phi^2)^2 \right\}$$

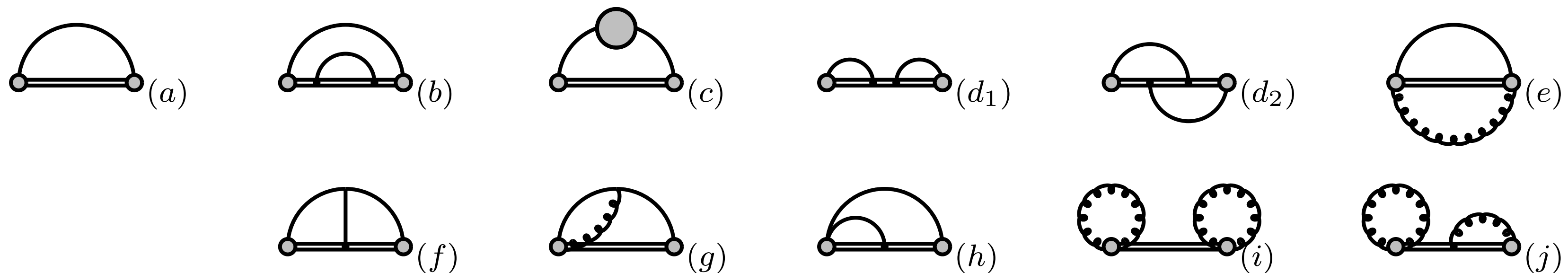
Kajantie Laine Rummukainen Shaposhnikov (1995-97) Braaten Nieto (1994-95)

- By putting **EQCD on the lattice** we can get the classical contribution non-perturbatively at all orders. But how?

# EQCD

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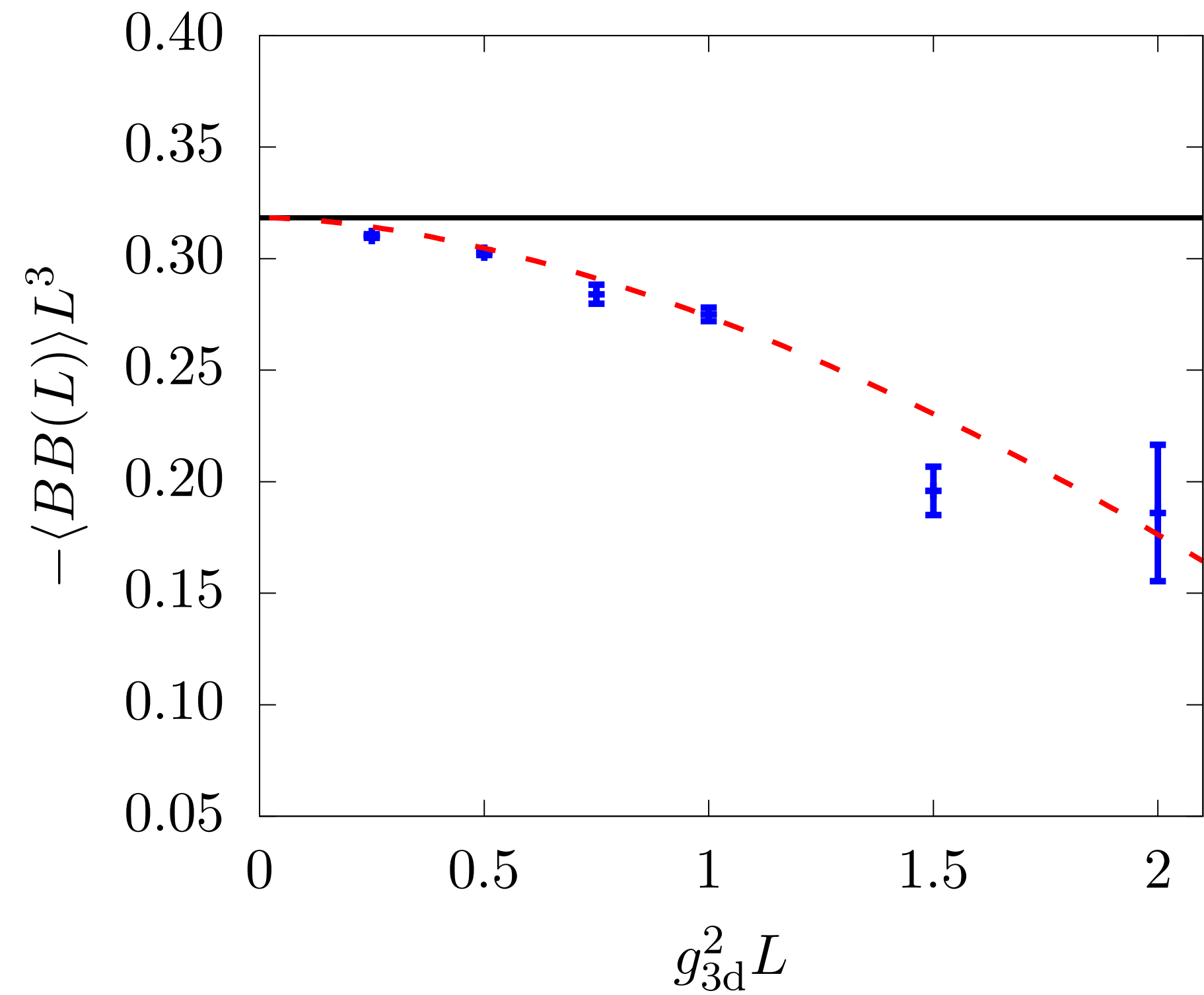
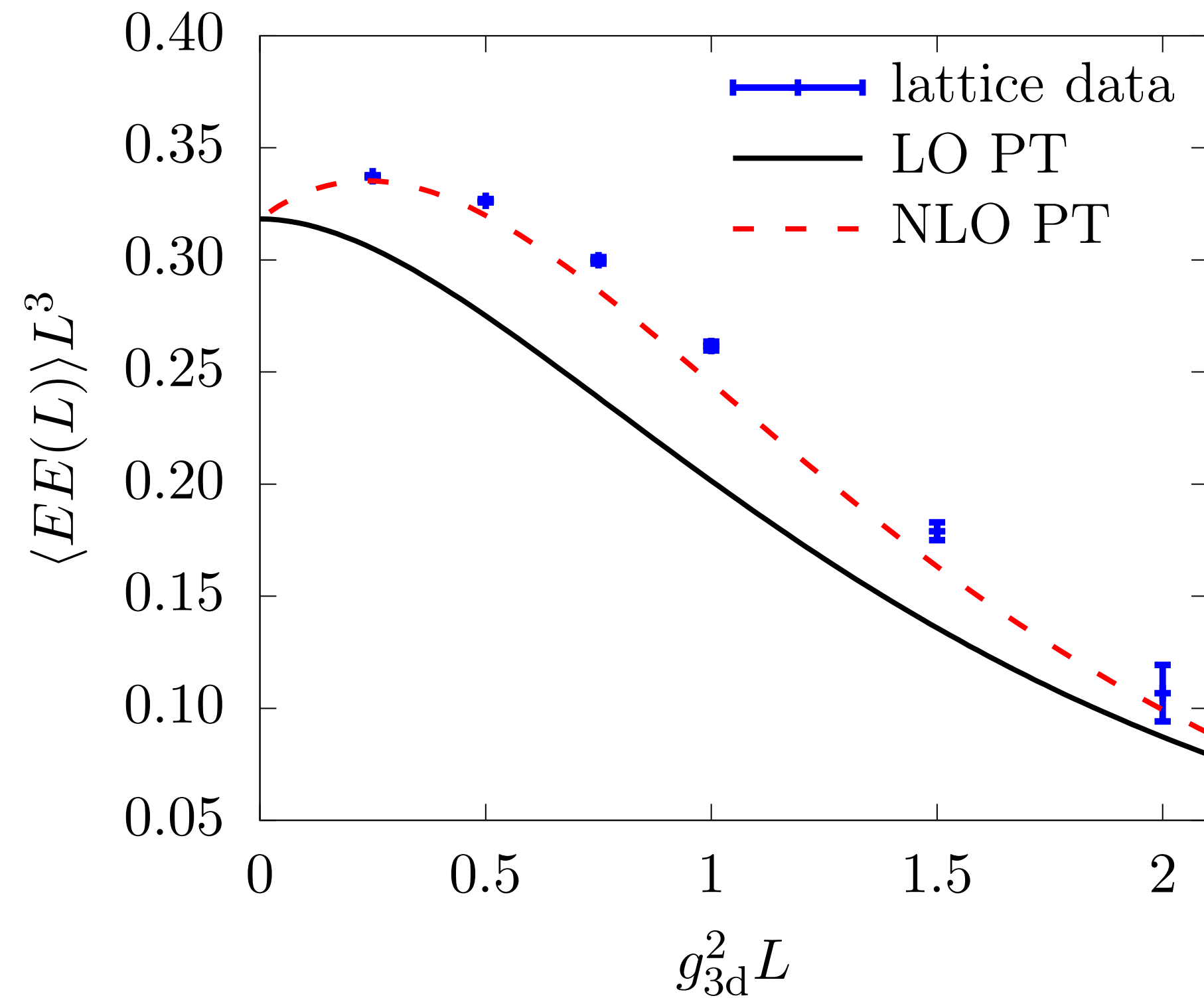
- In practice, we get continuum-extrapolated results for  $\text{Tr} \left\langle U(-\infty; L) F(L) U(L; 0) F(0) U(0; -\infty) \right\rangle_{\text{EQCD}}$  at a few discrete values of  $L$ .  
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- We need to **match to the 4D continuum**, since EQCD has the wrong UV
- Start by computing the EQCD correlator to NLO



# EQCD results

- Good agreement in the UV, excellent at high  $T = 100$  GeV

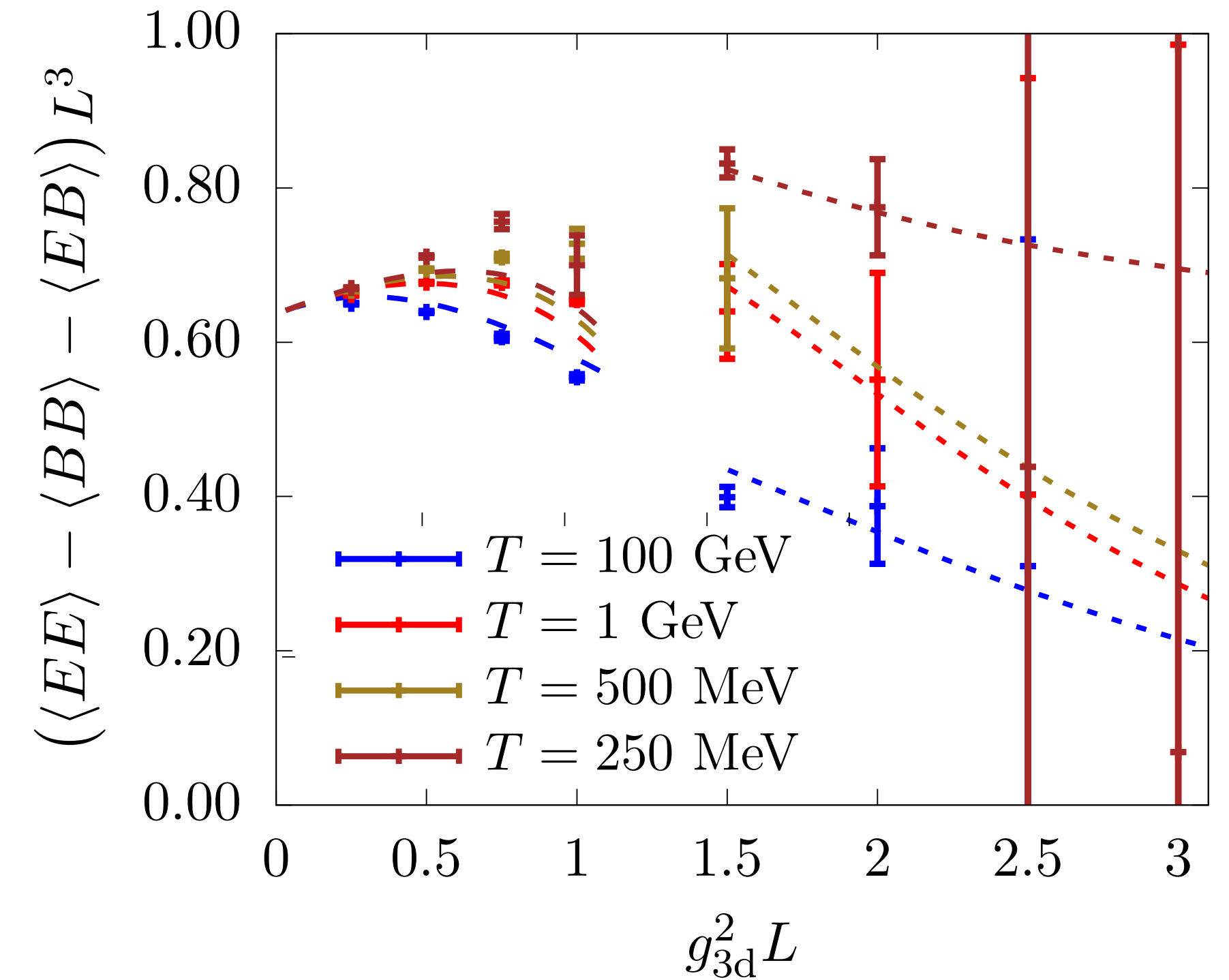
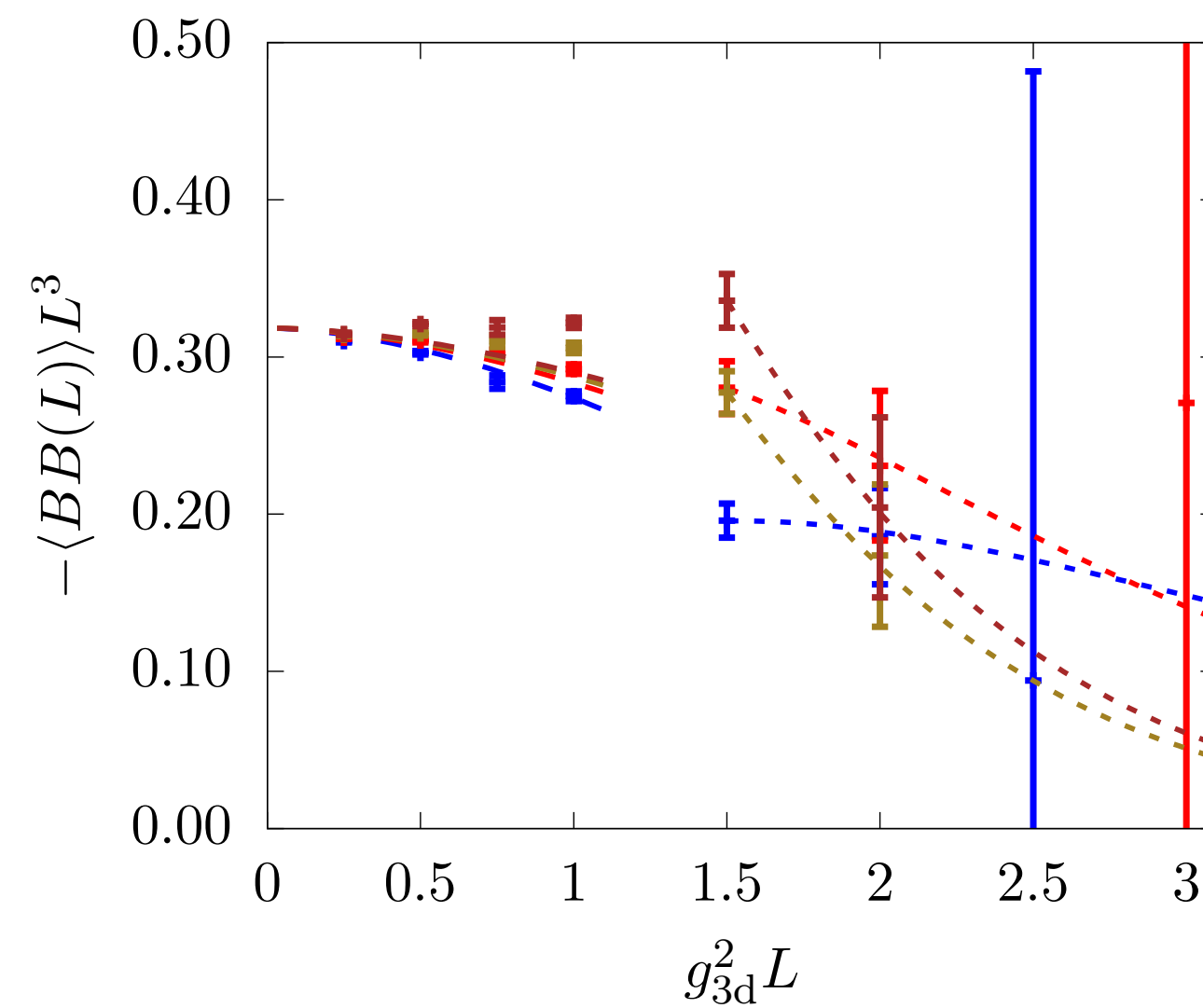
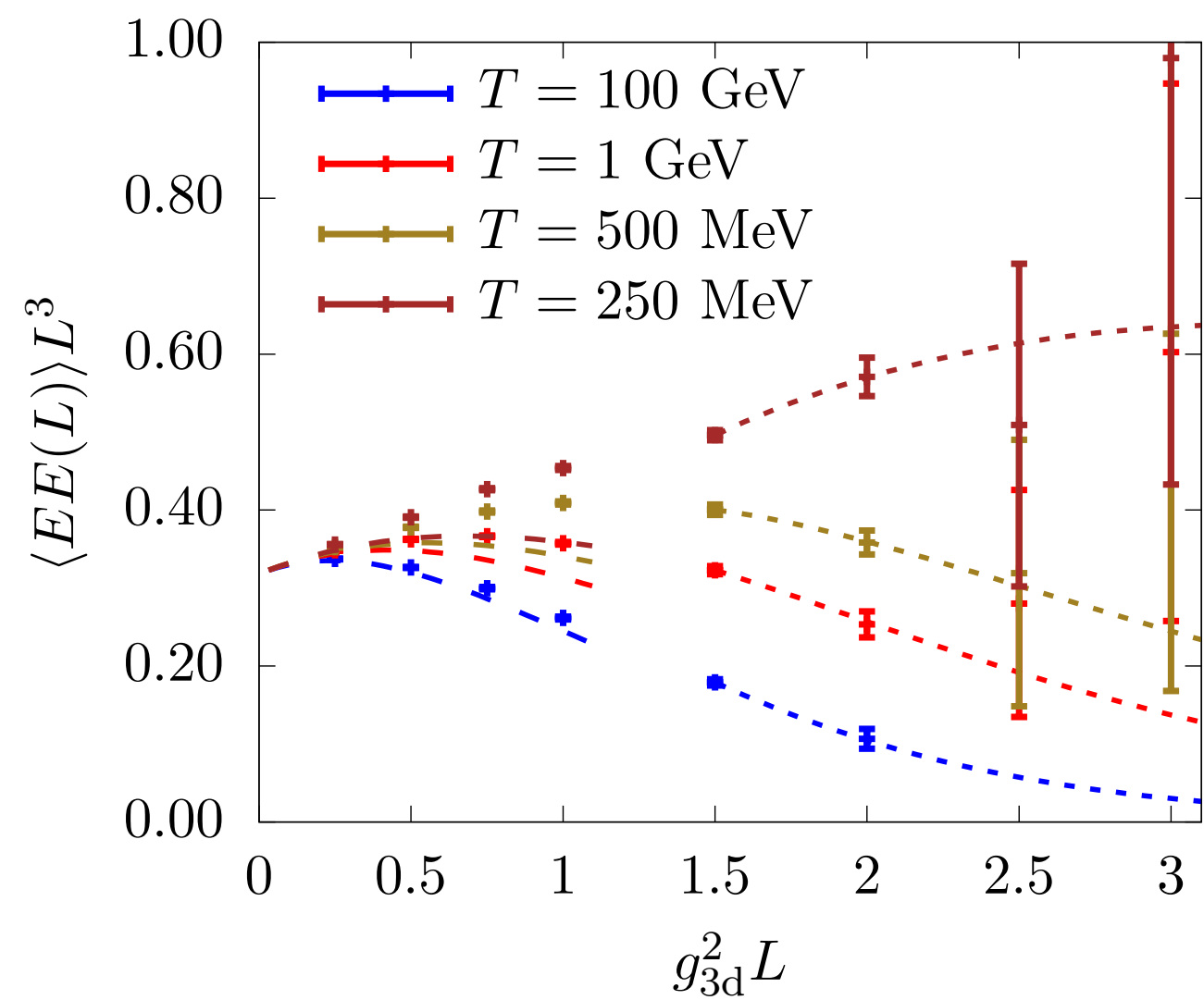
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- IR tails modeled by non-perturbative exp. falloff (magnetic screening)
- UV tails handled by perturbative EQCD

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# Matching to full QCD

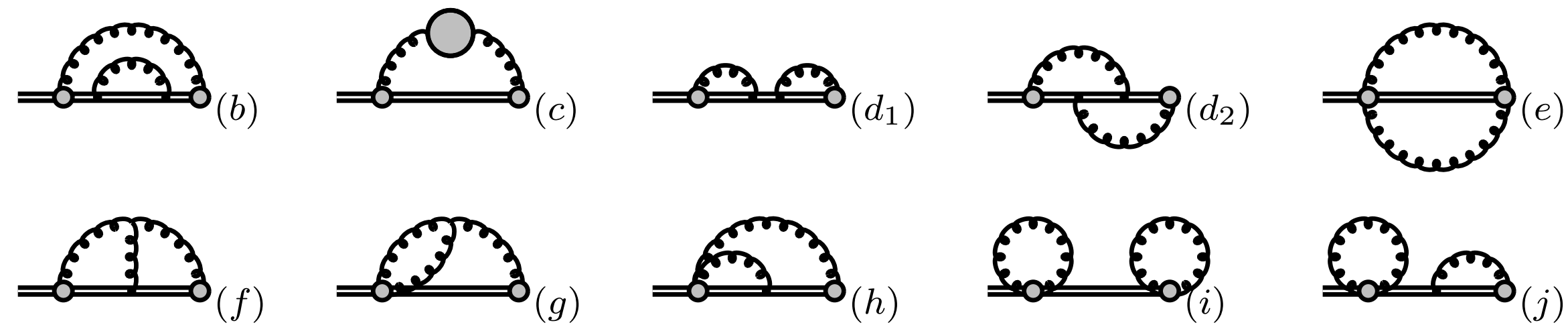
- Integration UV-divergent ( $L \rightarrow 0$ )  $Z_g^{\text{EQCD}} = \frac{T}{2} \int_0^\infty dL L (\langle EE \rangle - \langle BB \rangle - \langle EB \rangle)$
- EQCD super-renormalizable,  $\langle FF(L \rightarrow 0) \rangle = c_0 \frac{1}{L^3} + c_2 \frac{g^2 T}{L^2} + \dots$
- Only the first two terms give rise to **power-law** and **log divergences**. They must cancel with the IR limits of a bare calculation in full thermal QCD. This is easily verified for the **power law**, that can simply be subtracted
- For the **log** in a first stage we introduce an **intermediate cutoff regulator**  $-c_2 \frac{g^2 T}{L^2} \theta(L_0 - L)$  and **integrate numerically** the UV-subtracted EQCD data

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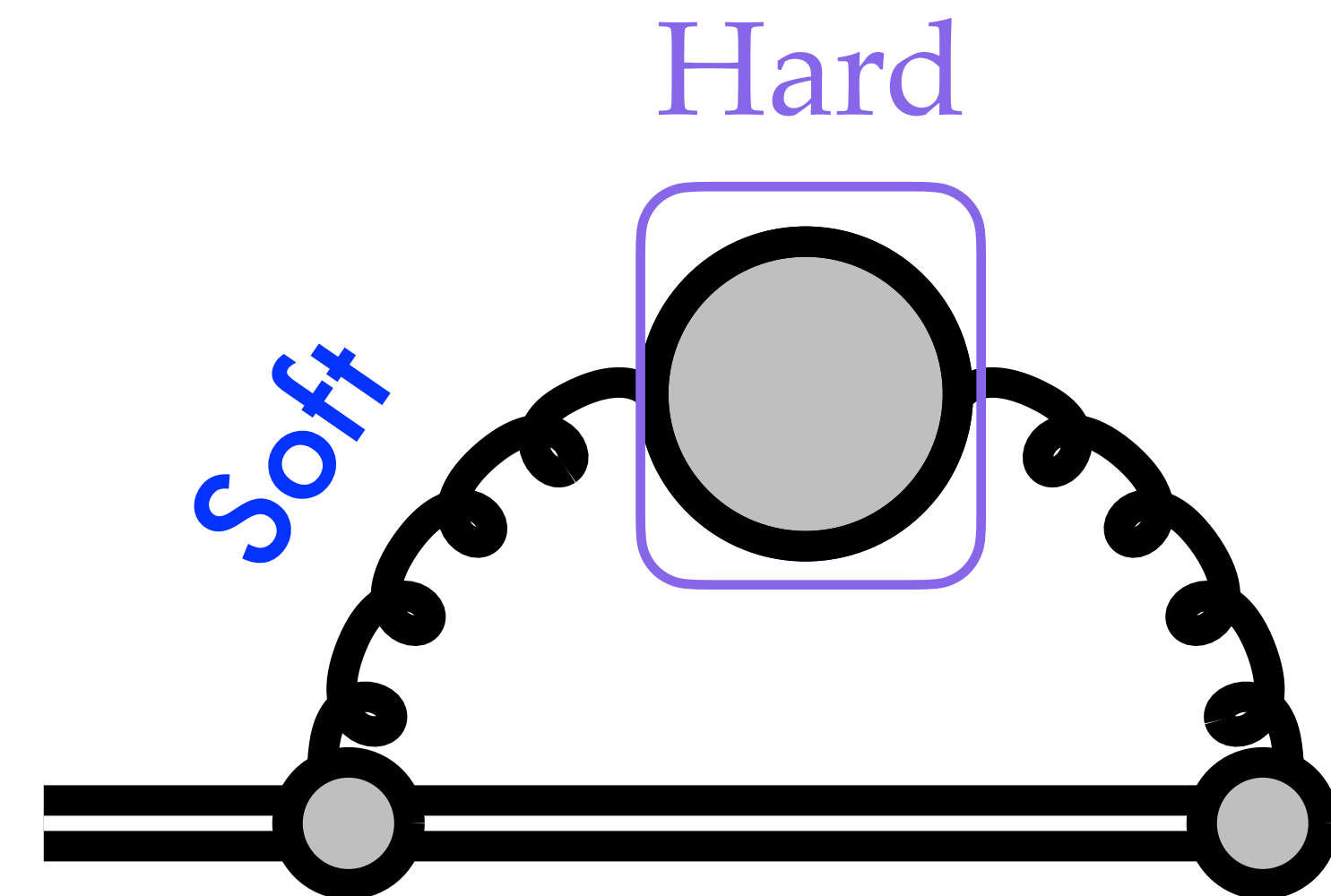


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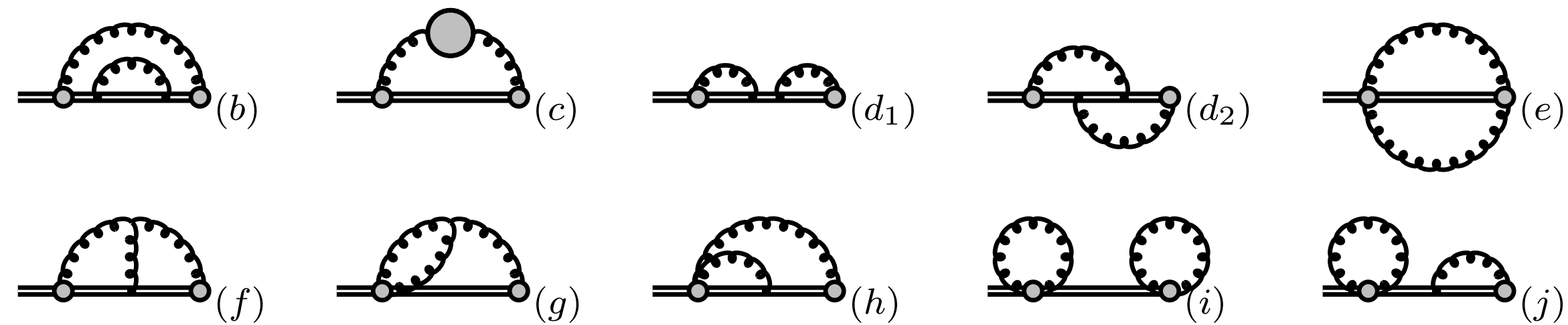
- Only diagram *c* matters in Feynman gauge
- Translated the cutoff to dimensional regularisation. UV pole of EQCD cancels IR pole of QCD, leaving behind a  $g^2 T^2 \ln(T/m_D)$  term. **Regulator dependence gone!** Regulator-independent classical contribution negative



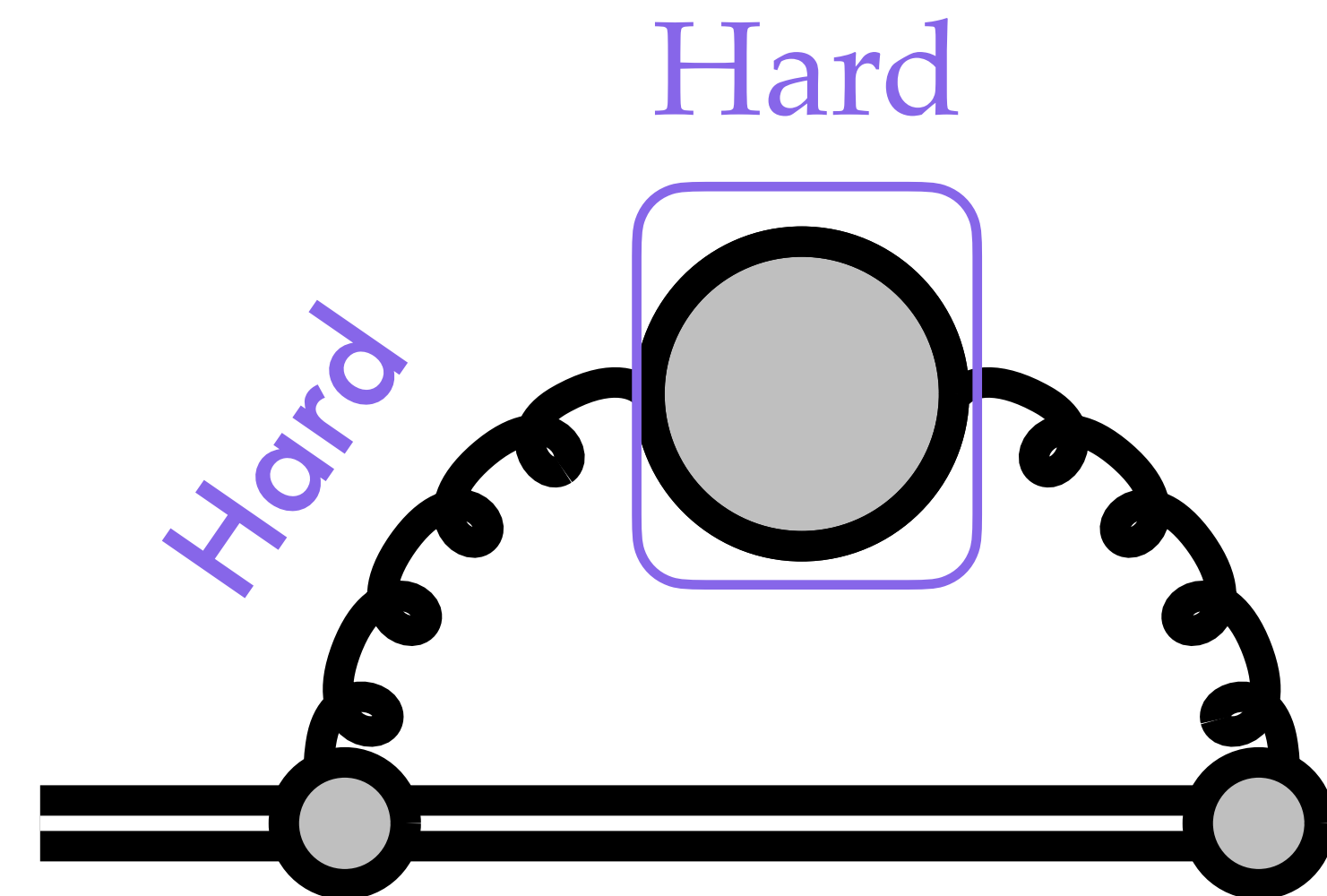
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- **Remainder** of the calculation suggests emergence of double-logarithmic enhancements in the jet's energy



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