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- $SU(N_c)$ SQCD with massive flavors
- The model
- A mass term from a stringy instanton
- Stabilization of dynamical masses
- Gravity dual
- Type IIA T-dual

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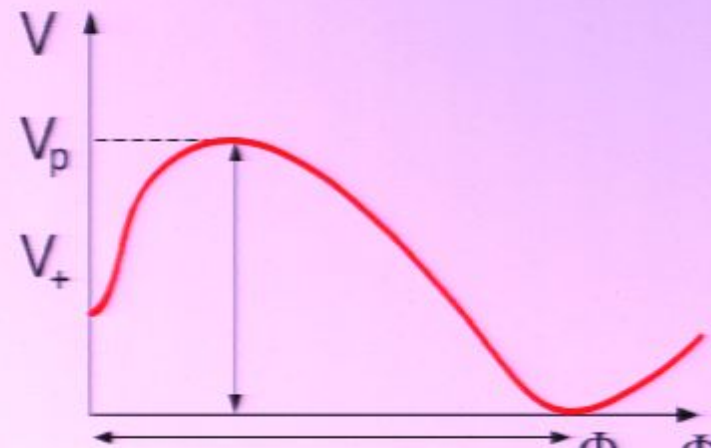
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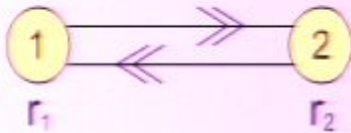
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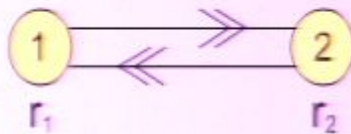
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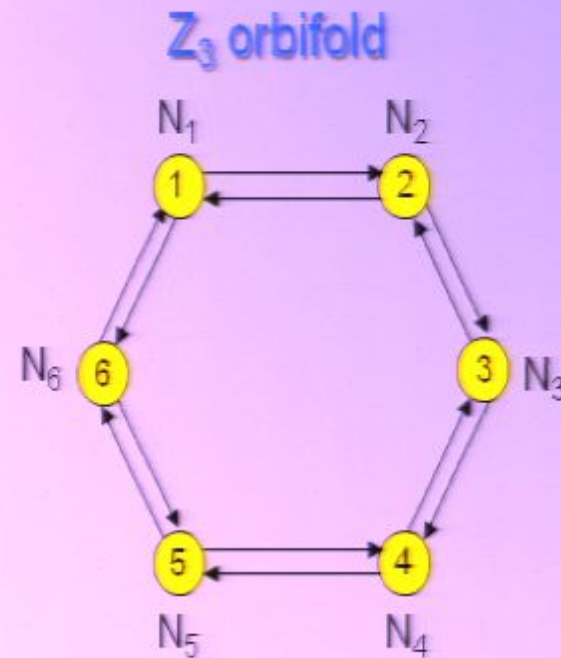
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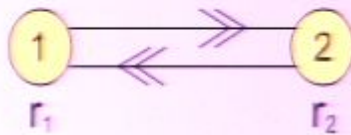
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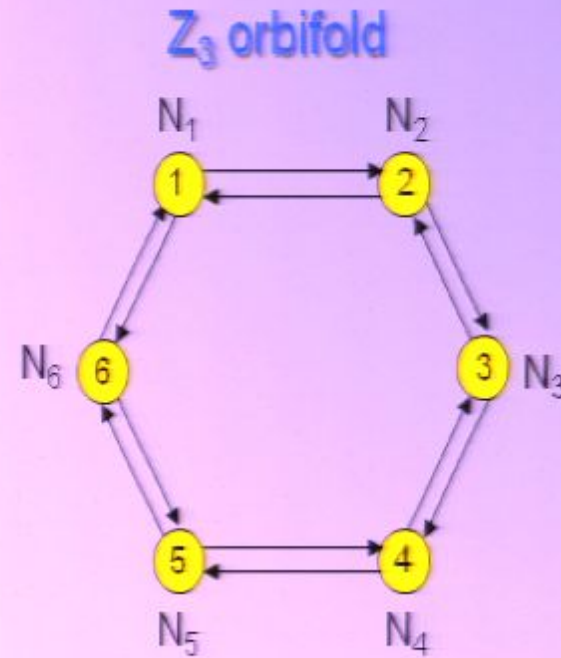
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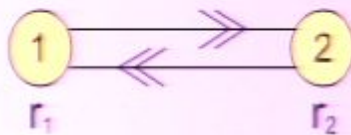


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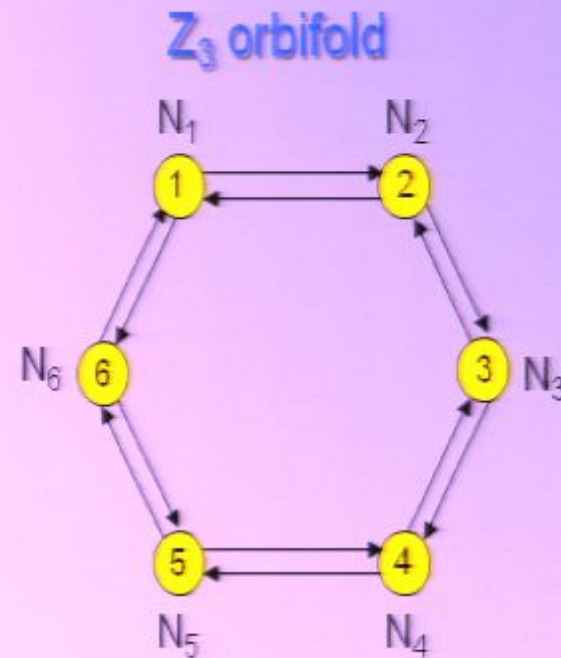


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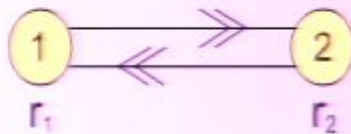
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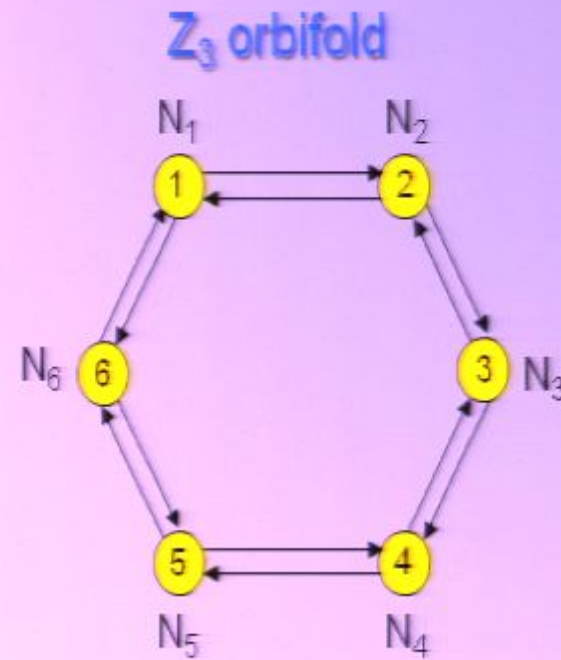
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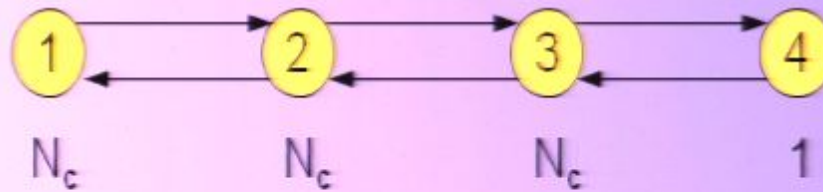
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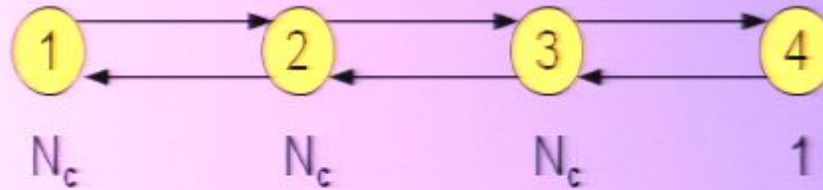
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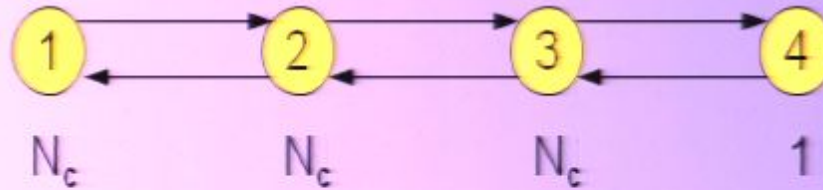


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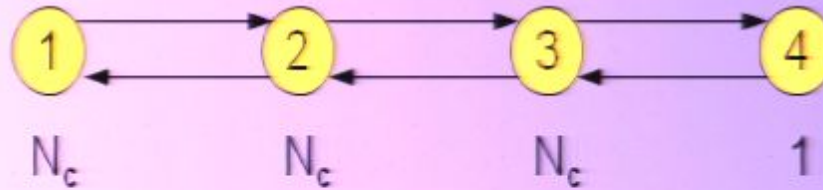
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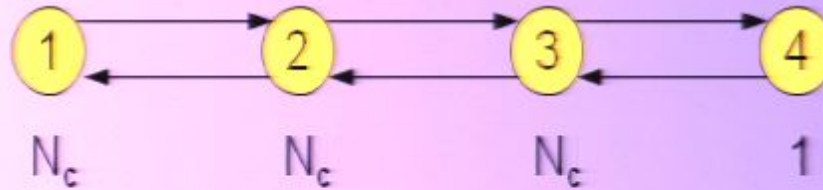
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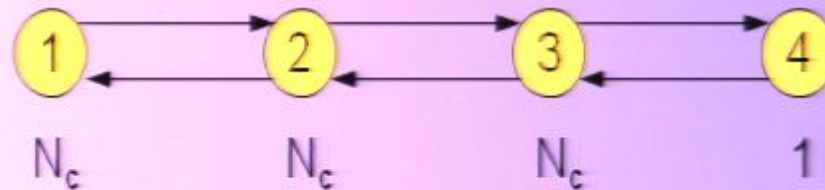
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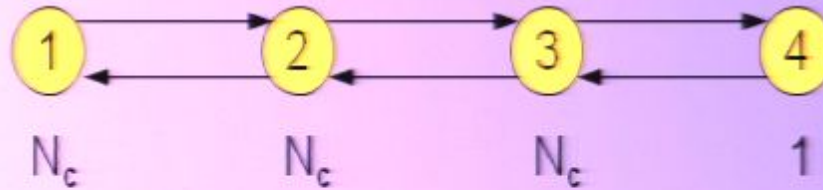
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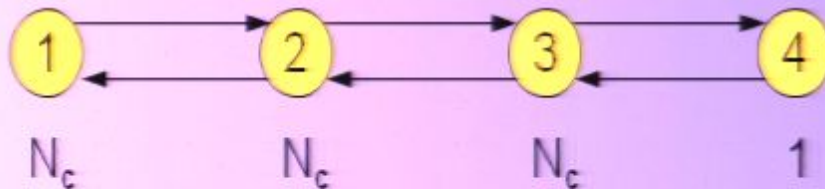
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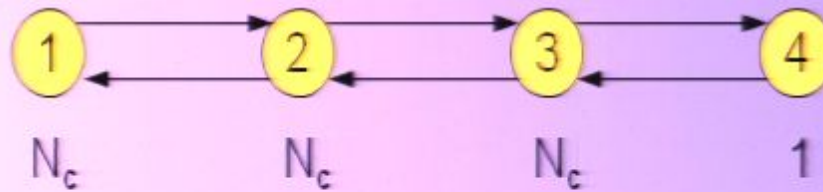
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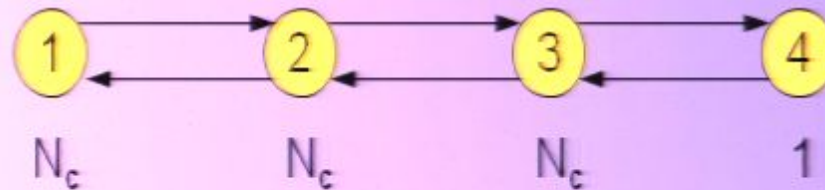
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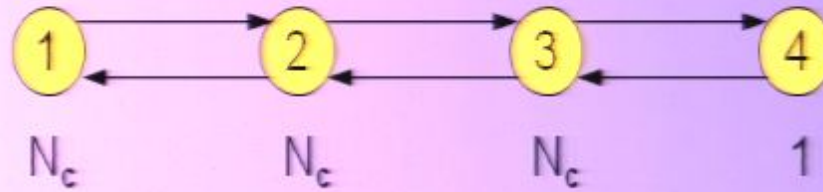
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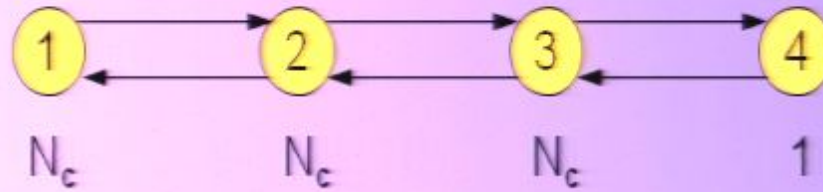
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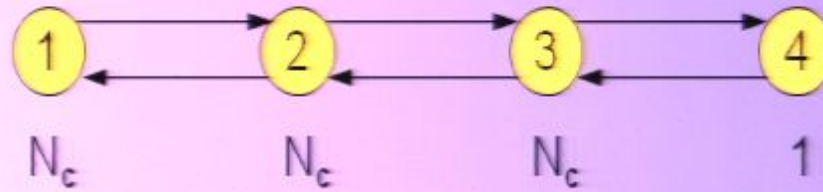


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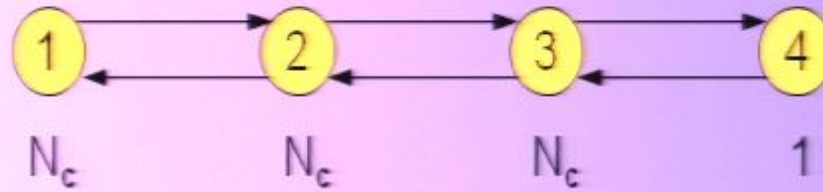


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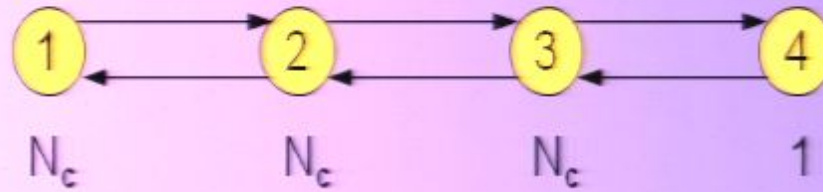


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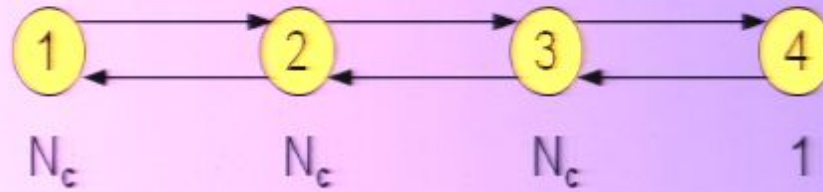
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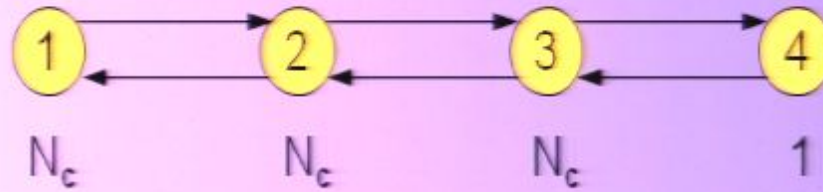
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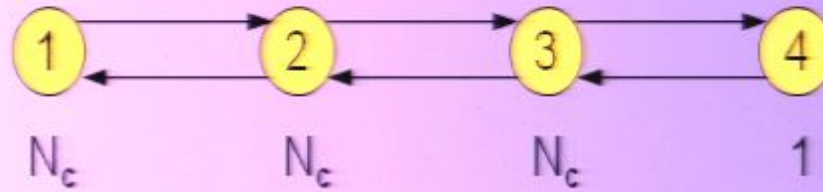
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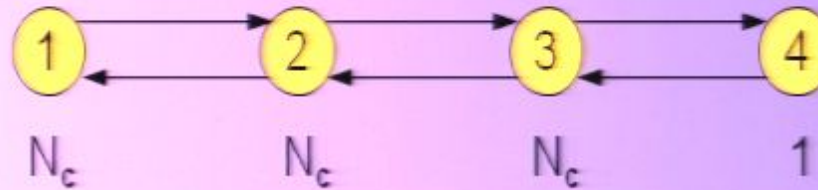
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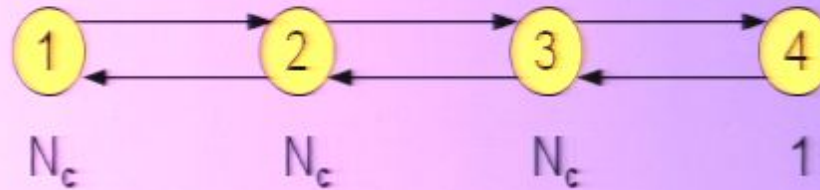
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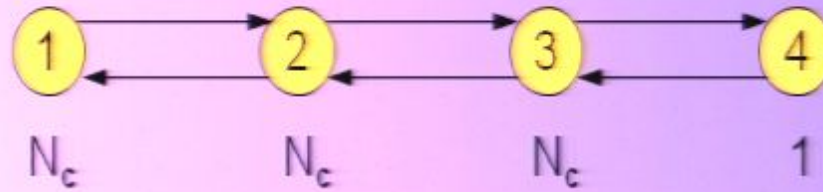
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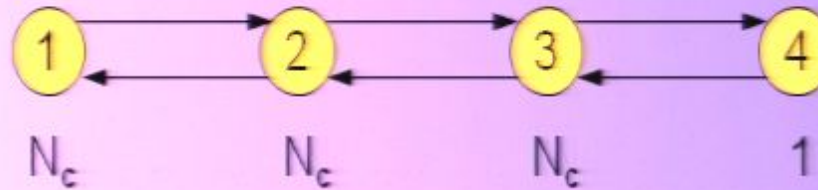
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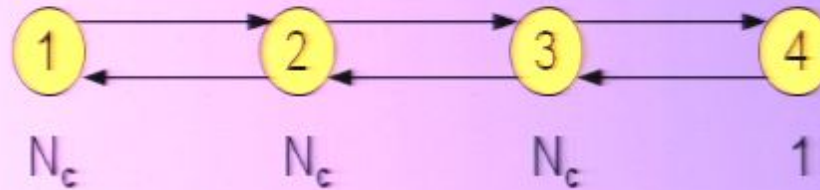
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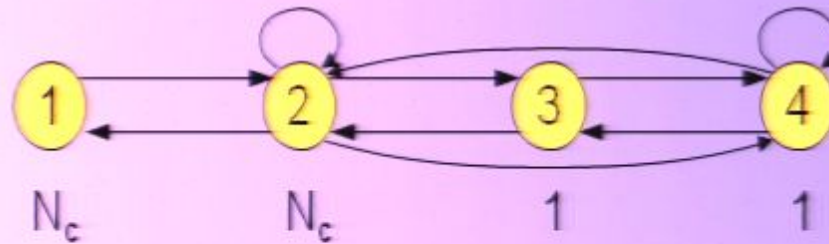
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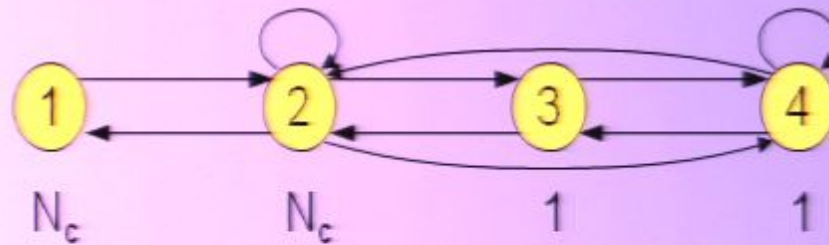
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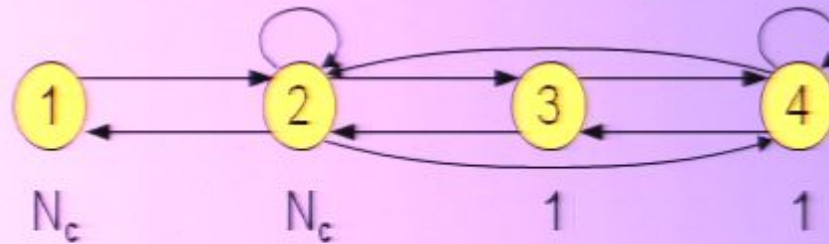


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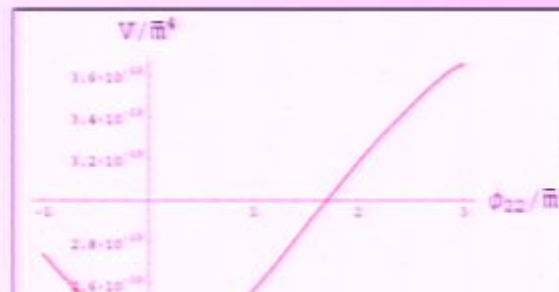
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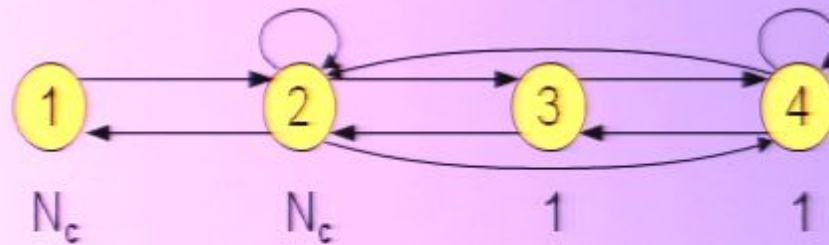
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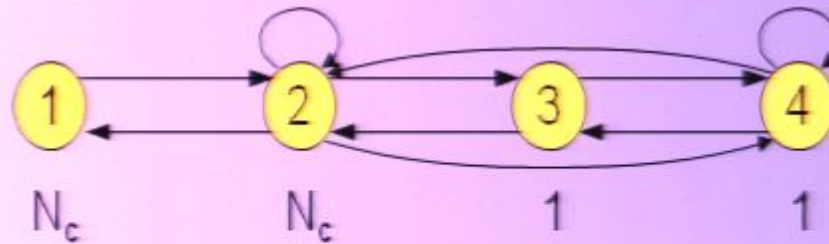


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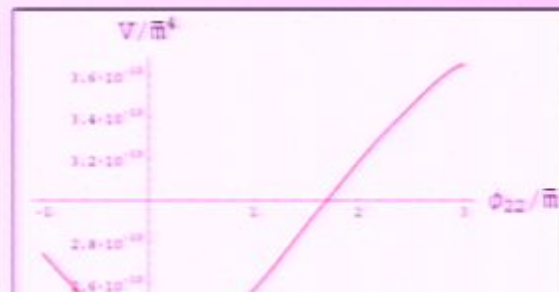
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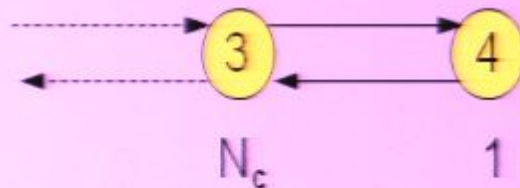
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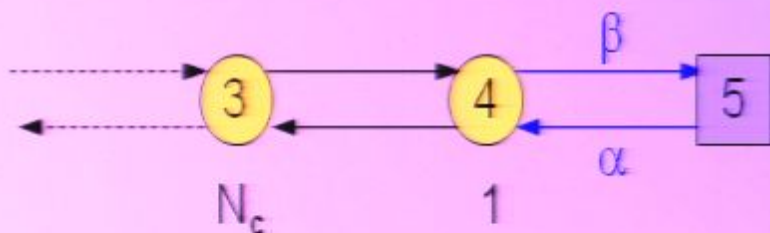
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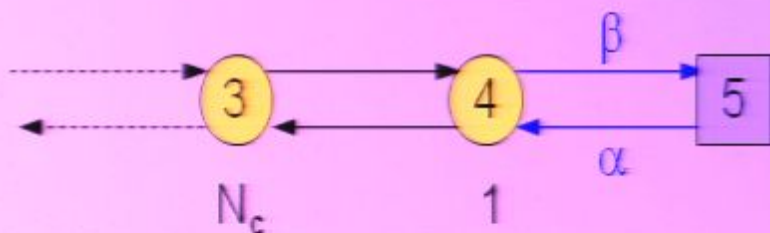
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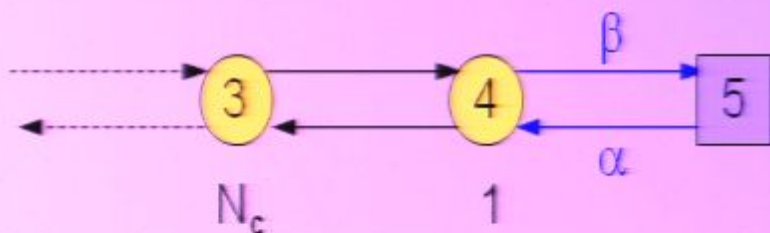
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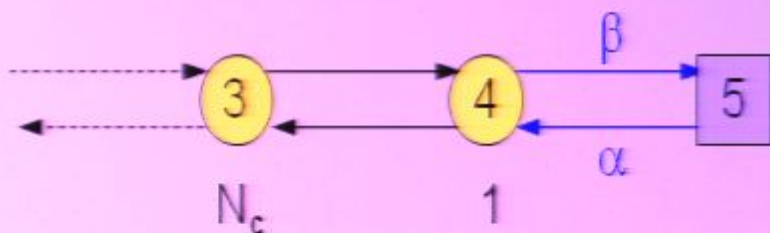


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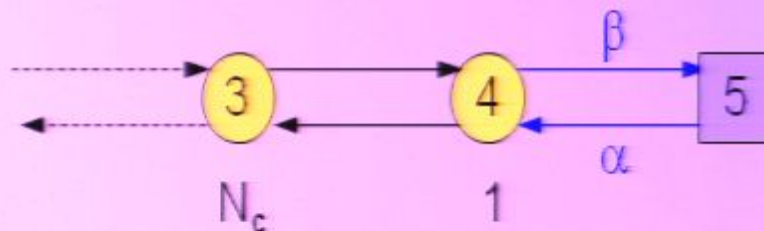


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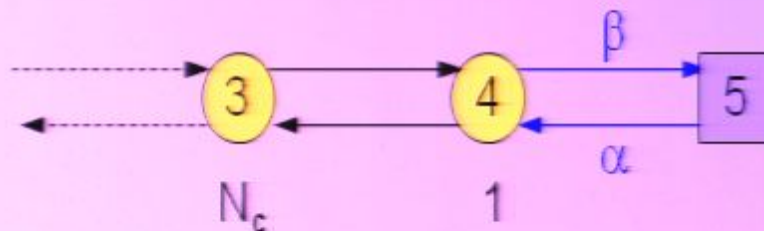
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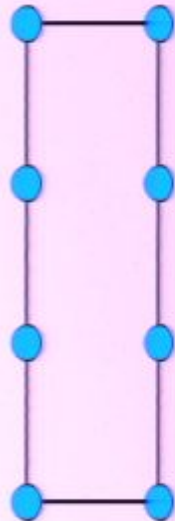
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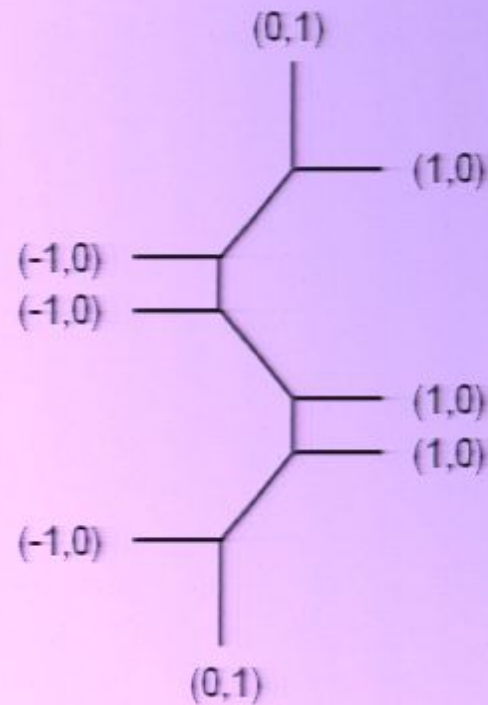
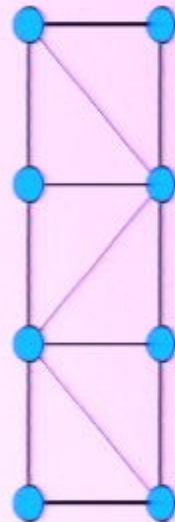
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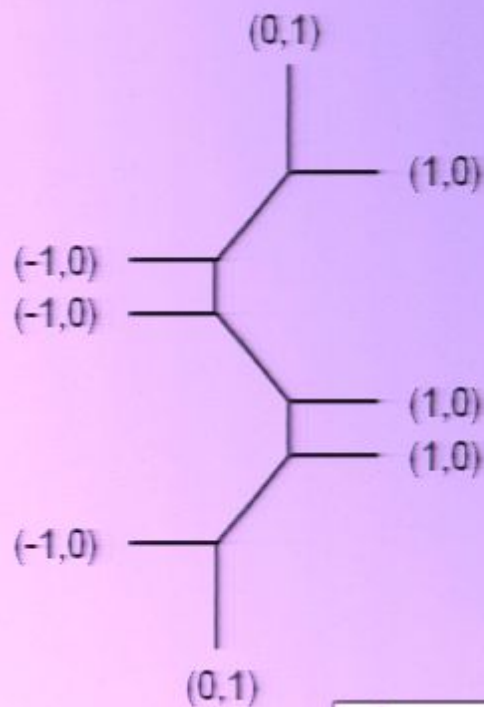
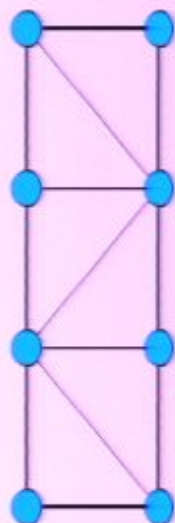
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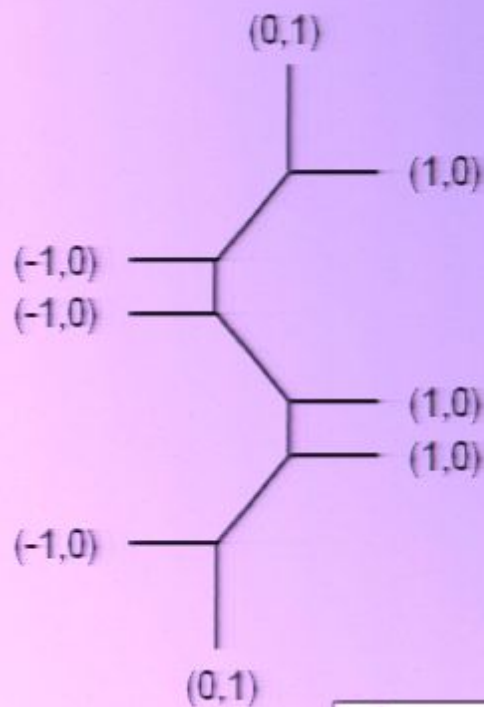
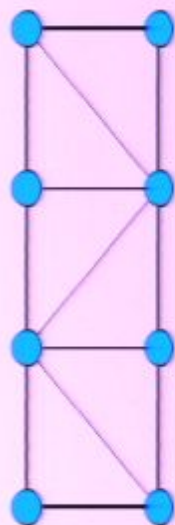
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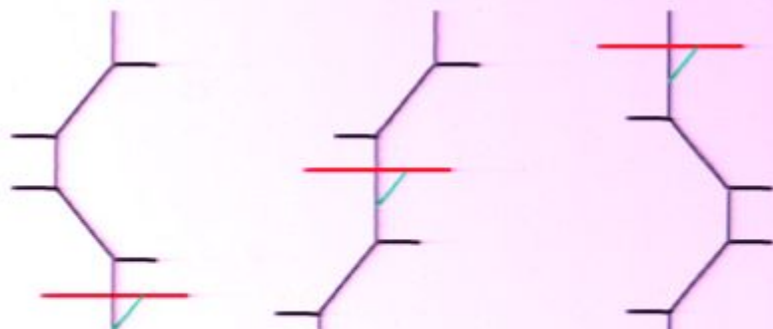
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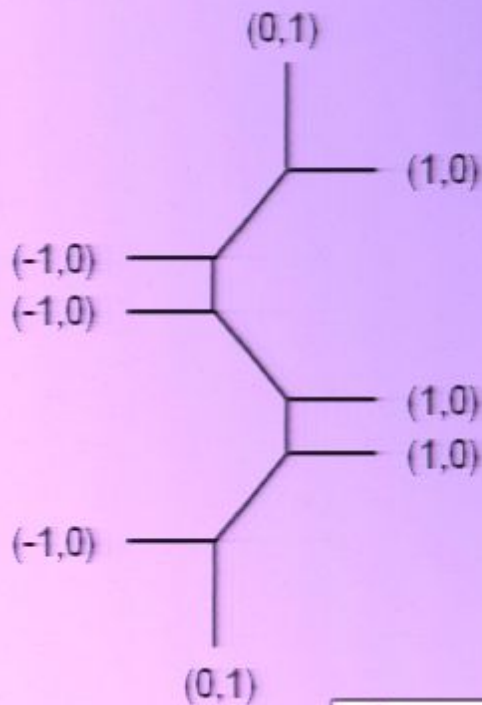
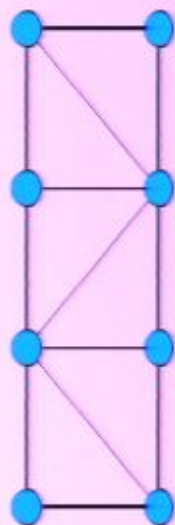
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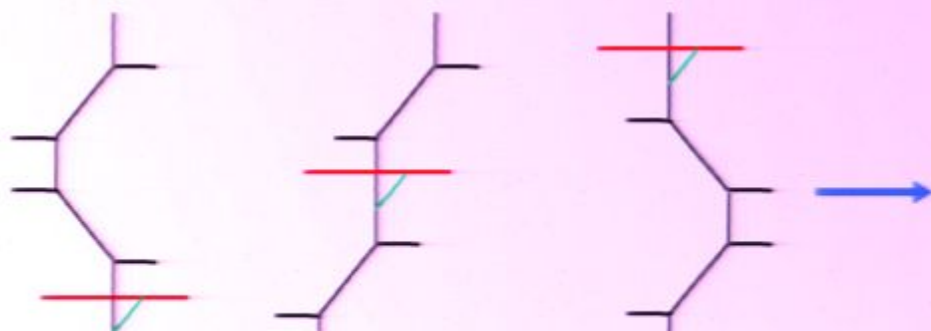
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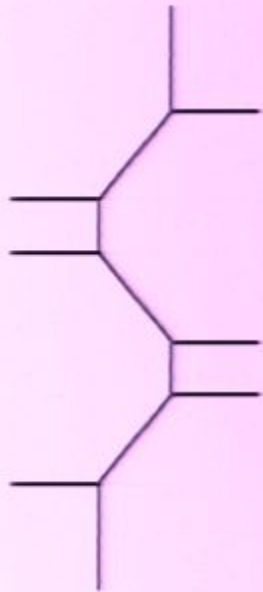
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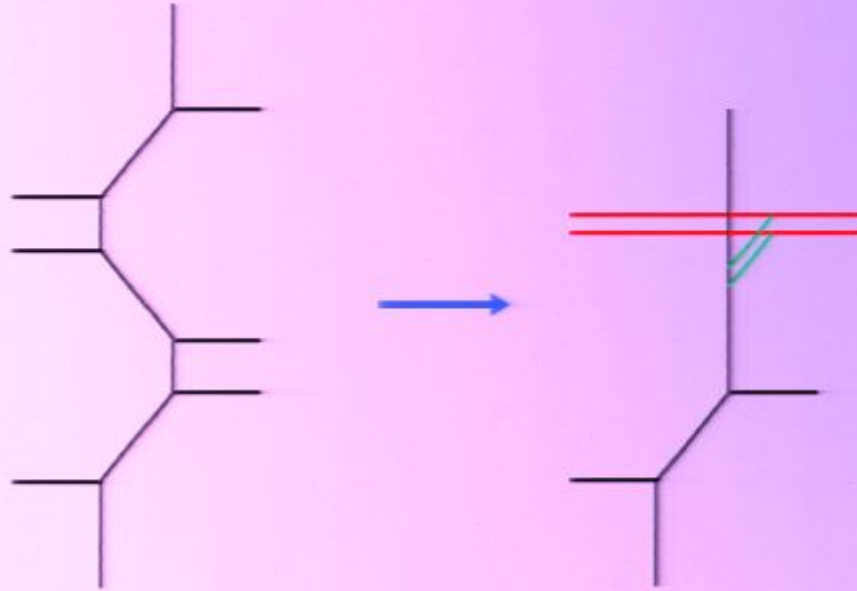
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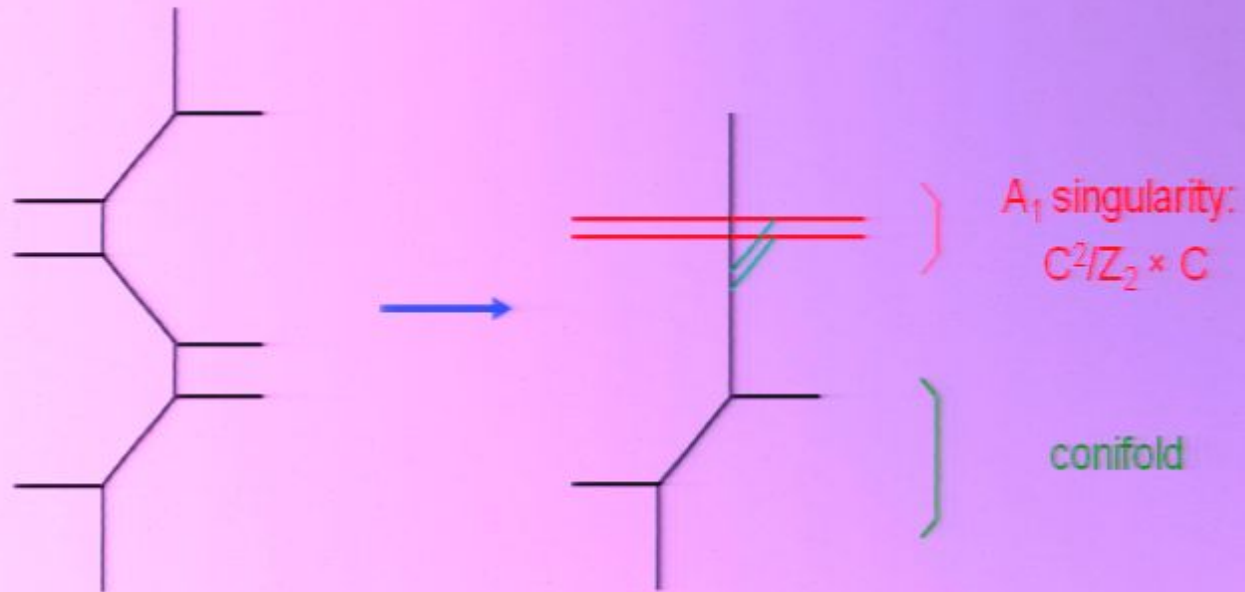
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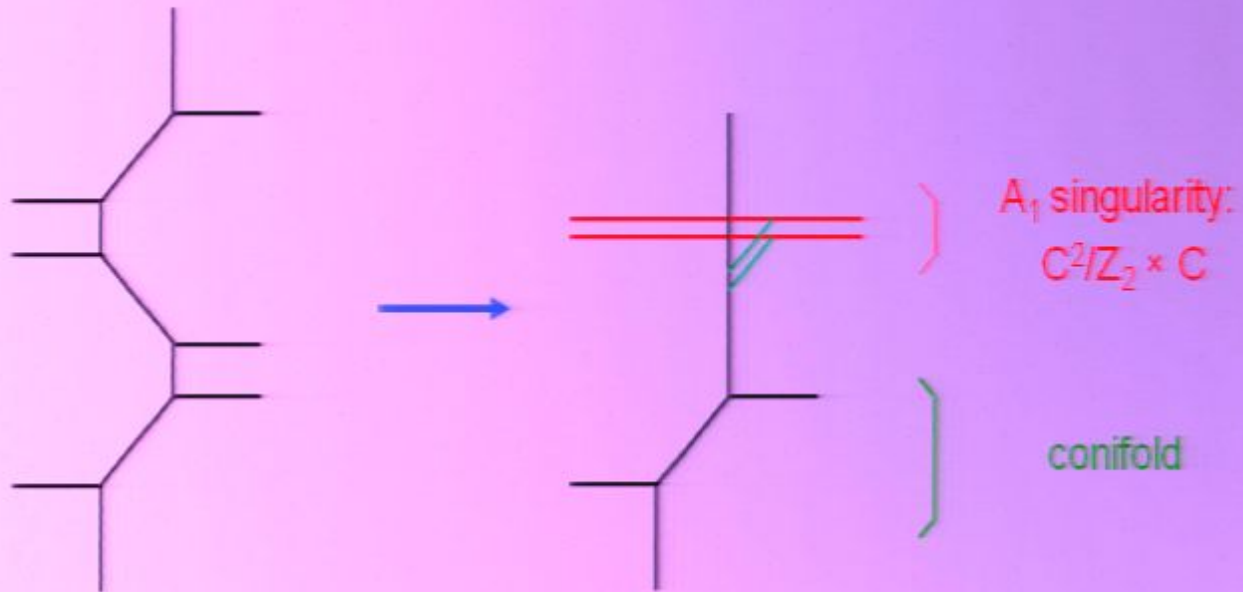


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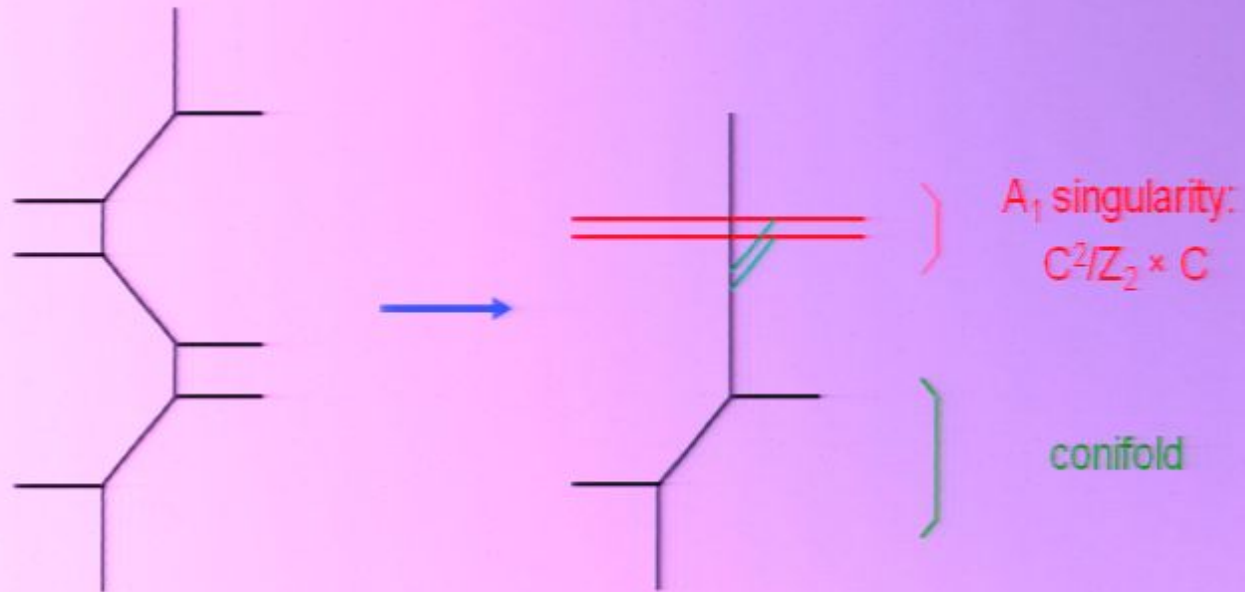


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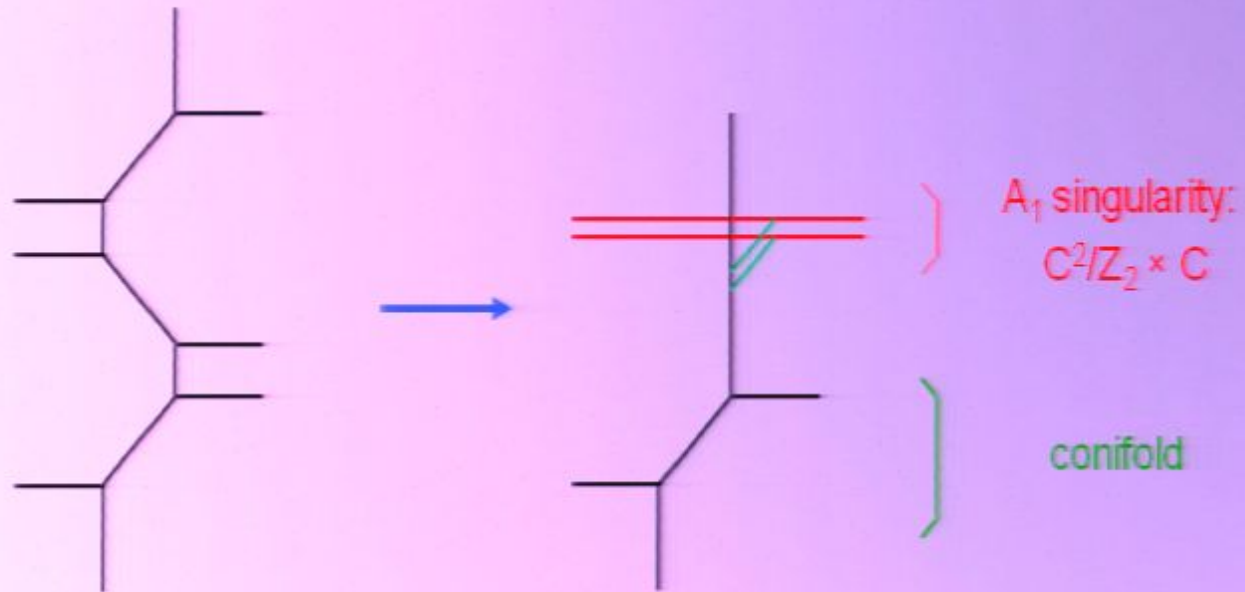


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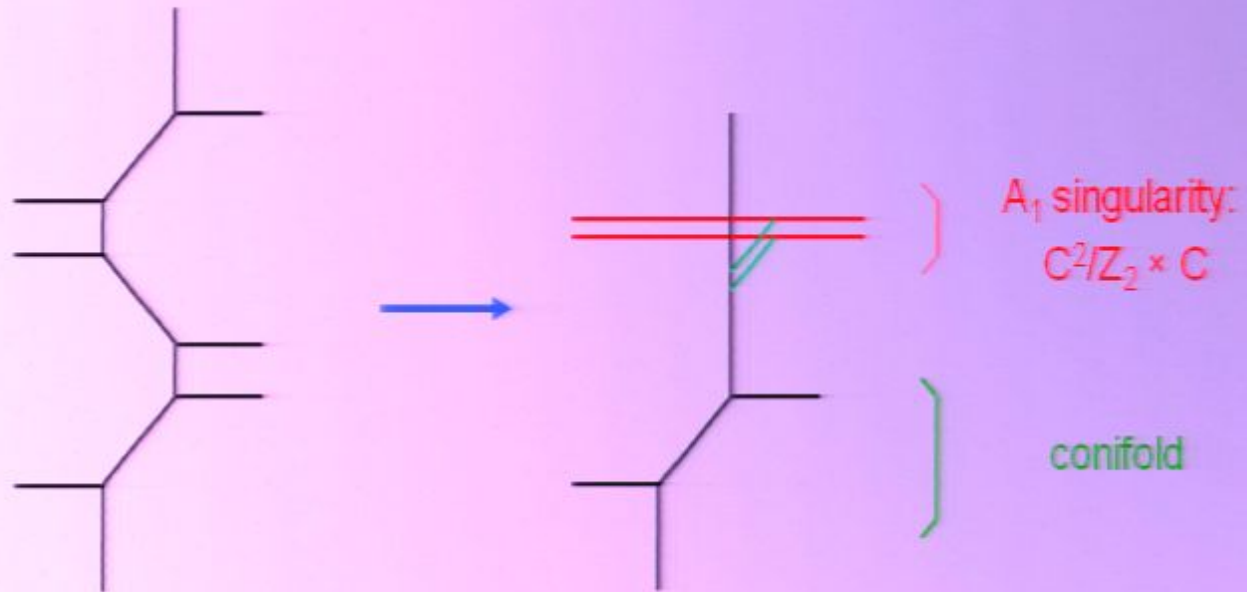


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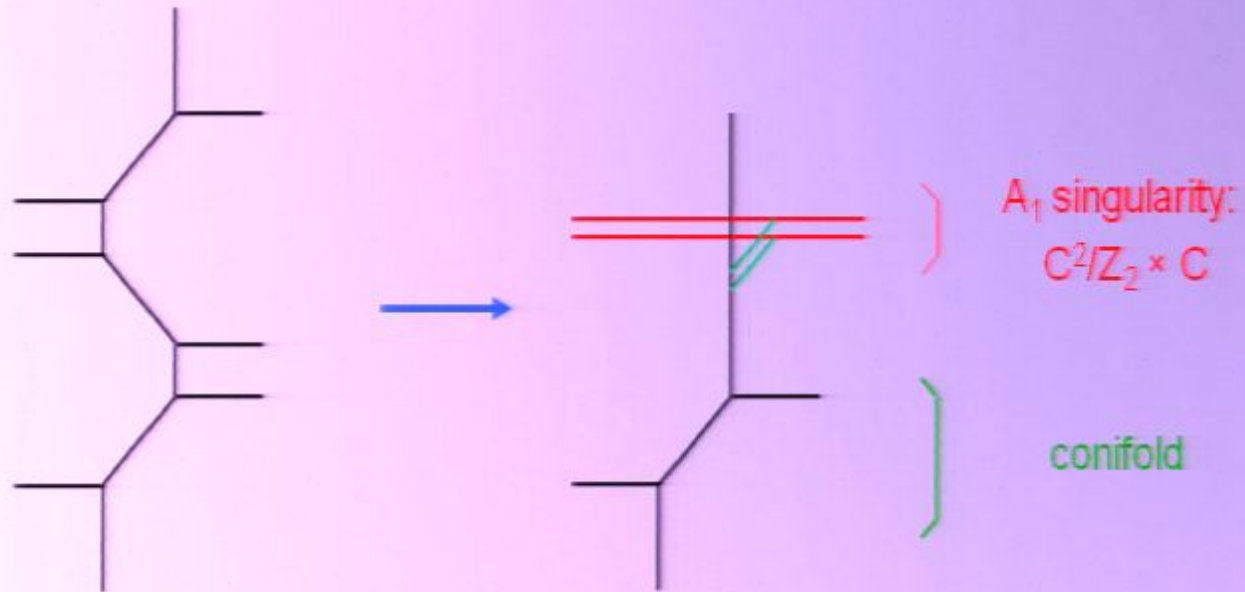


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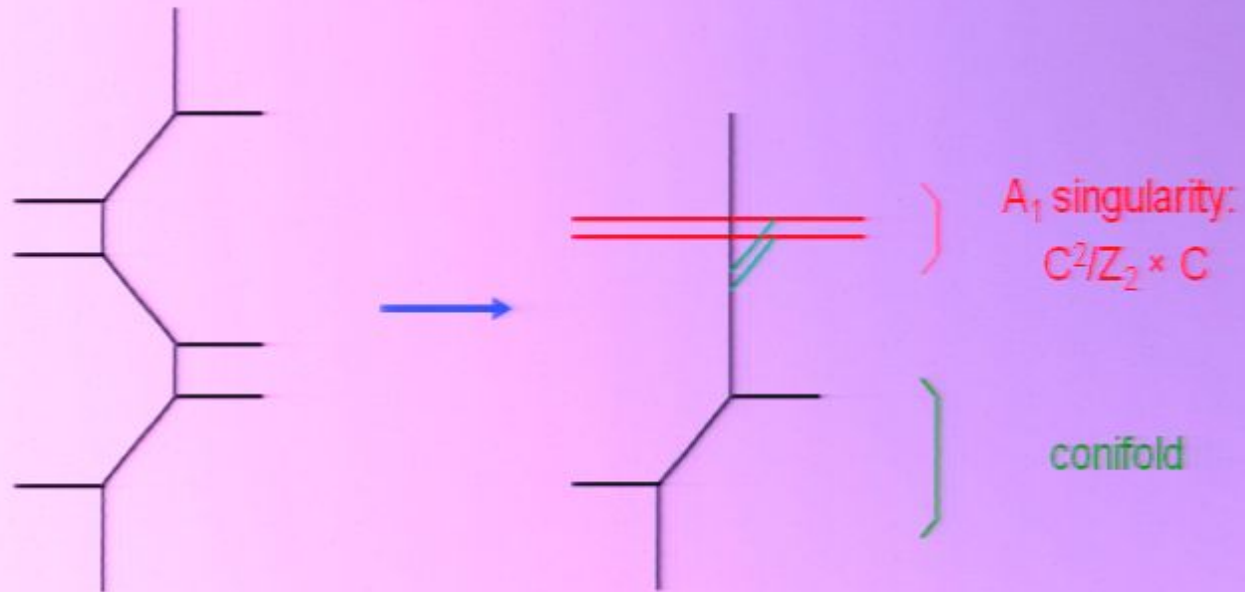


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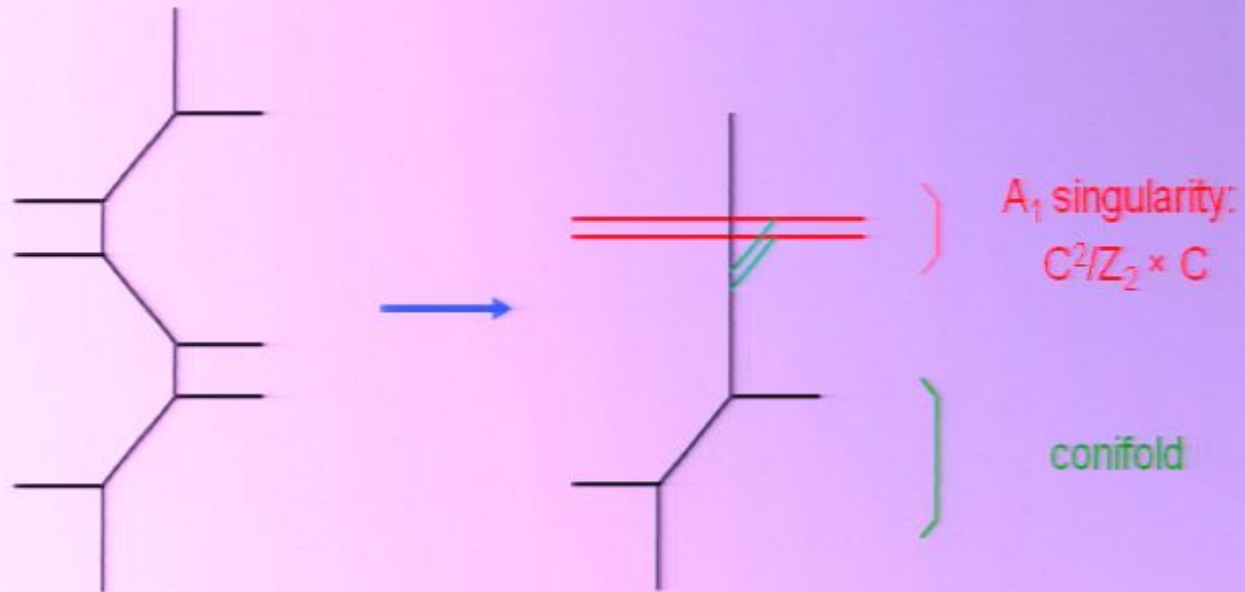


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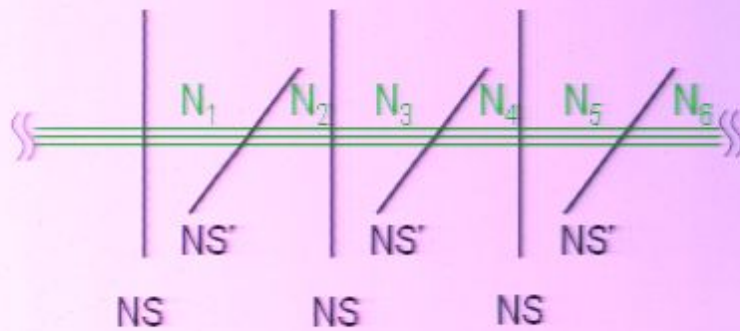
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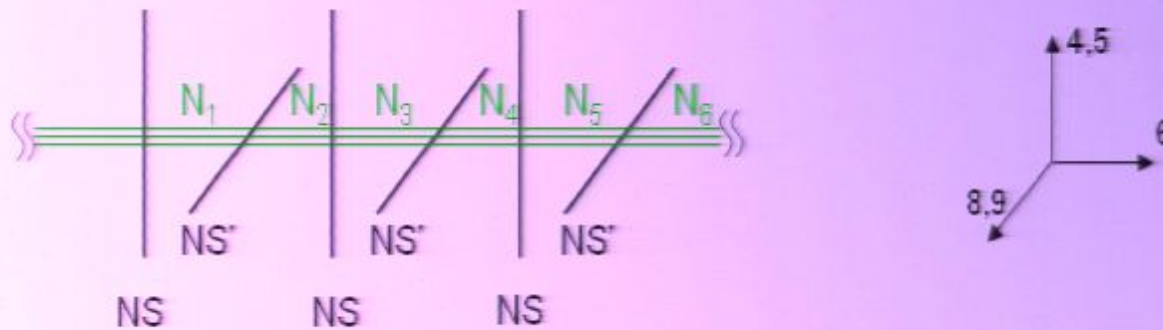
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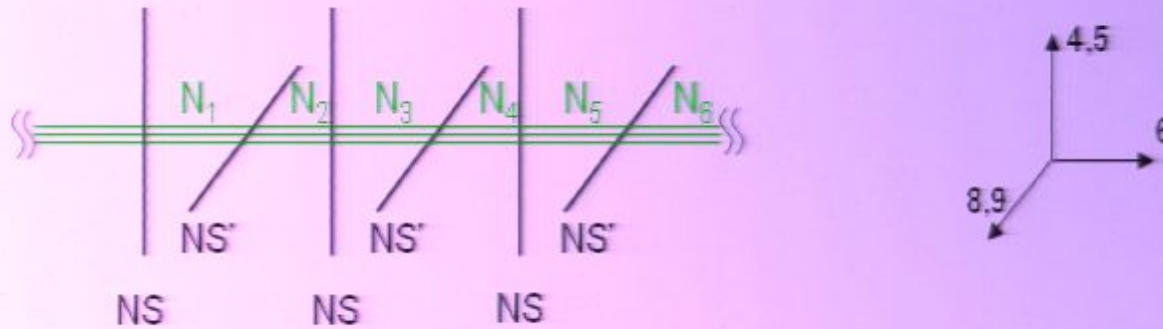
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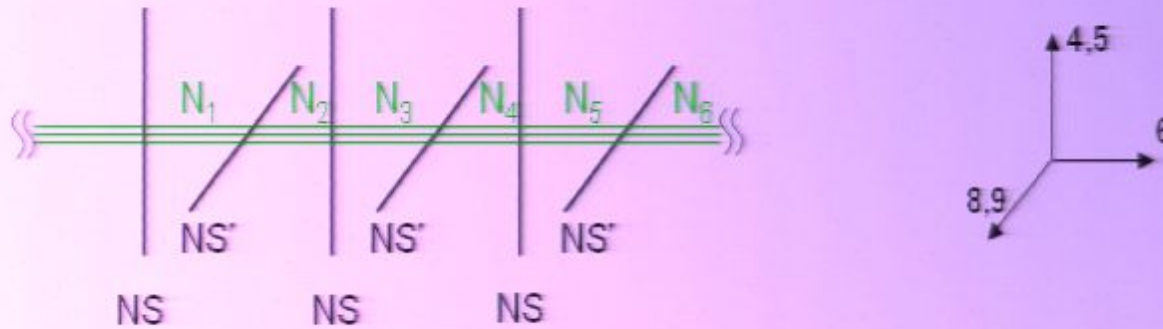


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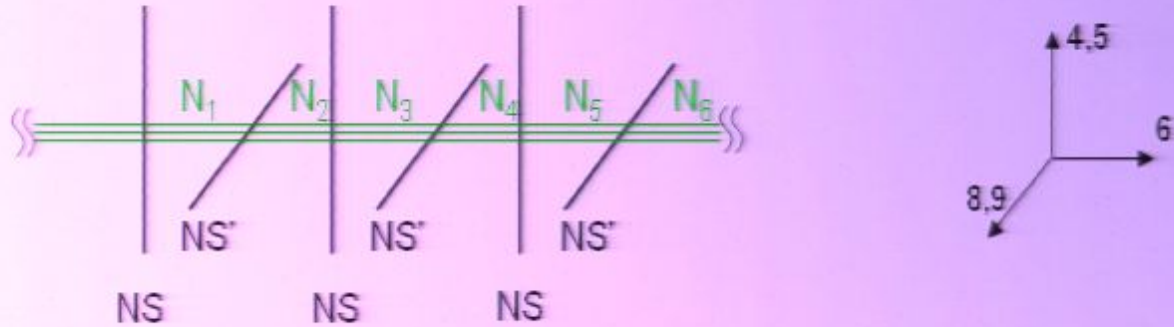


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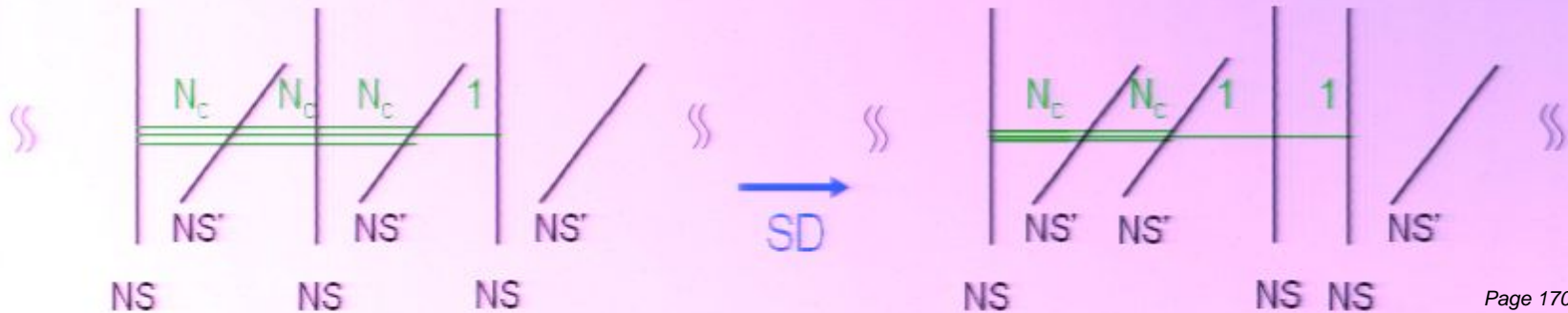


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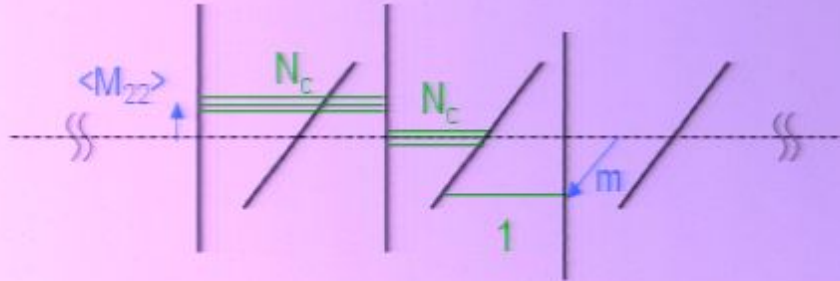


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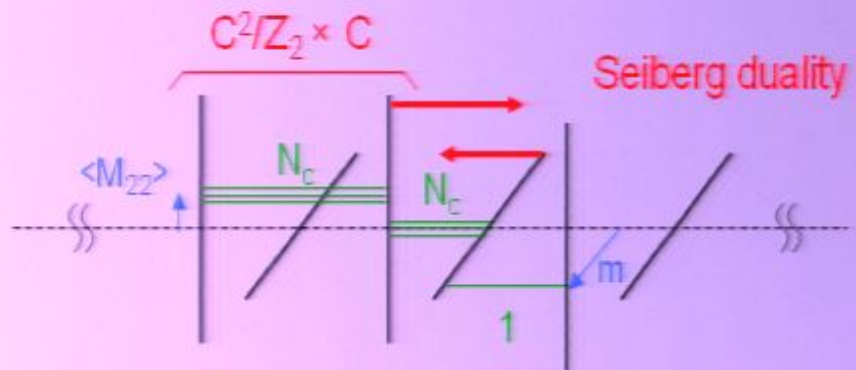
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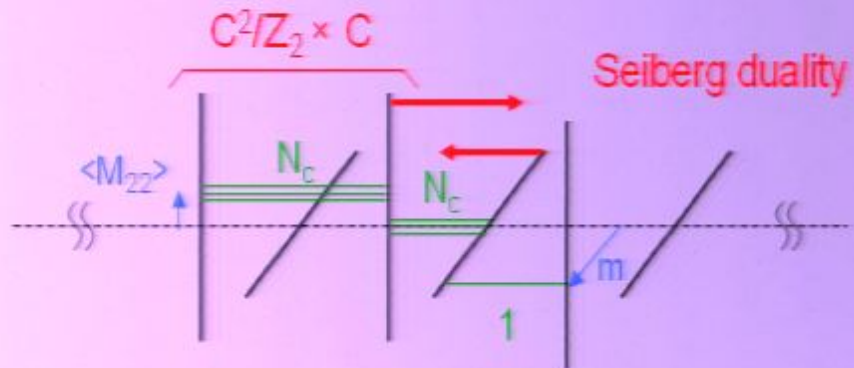
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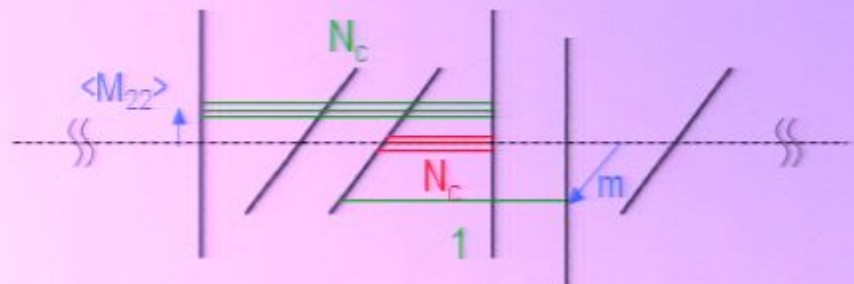


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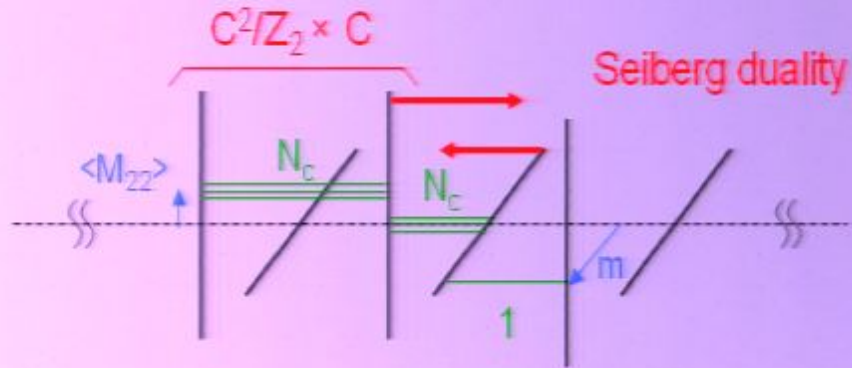


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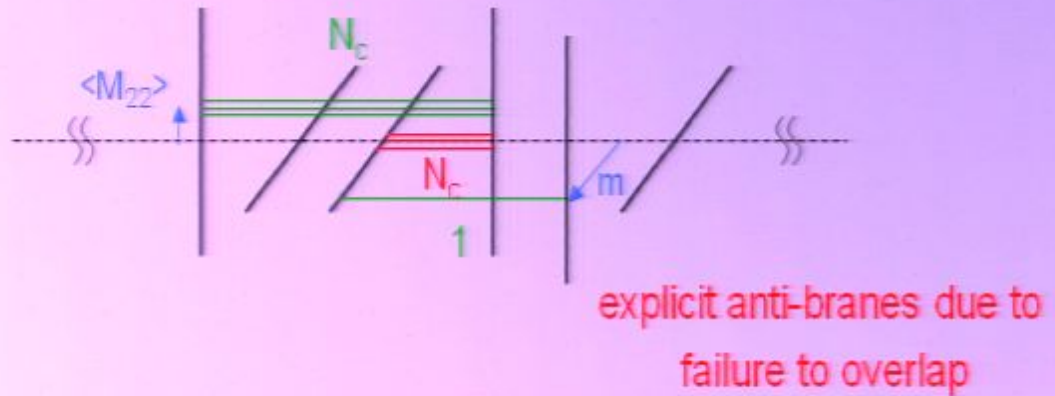


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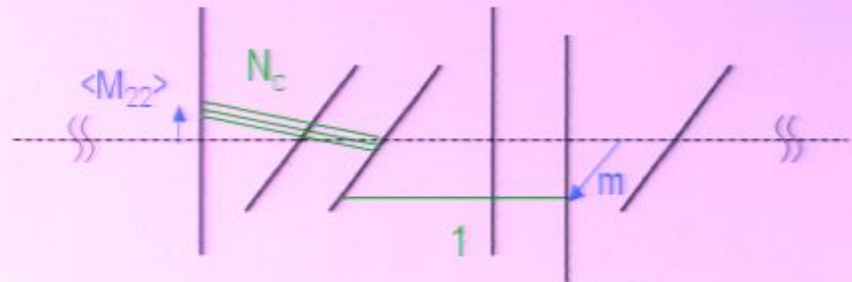
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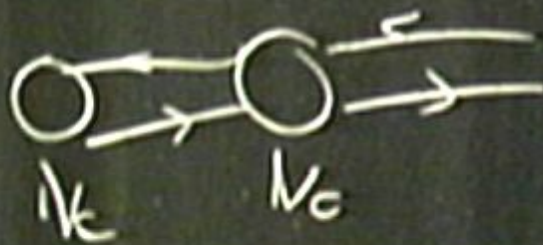
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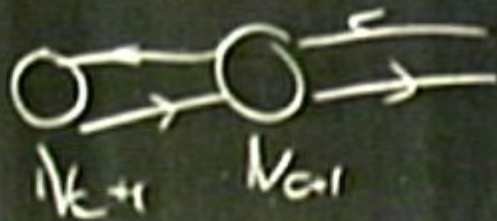


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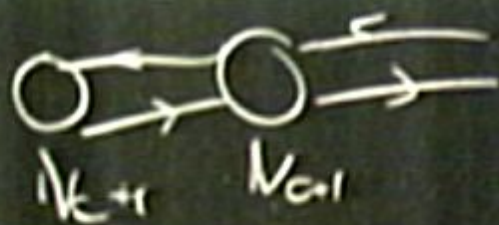


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