

Title: The Power of Series

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Abstract: <p>After a small review on divergent series and Borel resummation I will discuss a geometric approach based on Picard-Lefschetz theory to study the interplay between perturbative and non-perturbative effects in the QM path integral.</p>

<p>Such approach can be used to characterize when the perturbative series gives the full answer and when the inclusion of non-trivial saddles--instantons--is mandatory. I will then show how a simple deformation of the original perturbation theory allows to recover the full non perturbative answer from the perturbative coefficients alone, without the need of including instanton corrections. I will illustrate this technique in examples which are known to contain non-perturbative effects, such as the (supersymmetric) double-well potential, the pure anharmonic oscillator, and the perturbative expansion around a false vacuum.</p>

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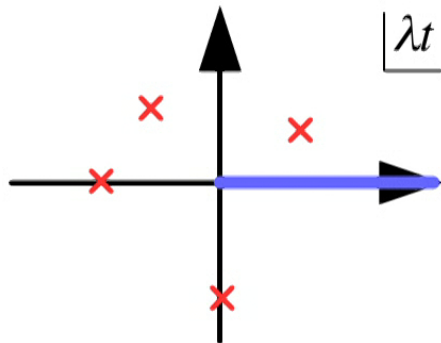
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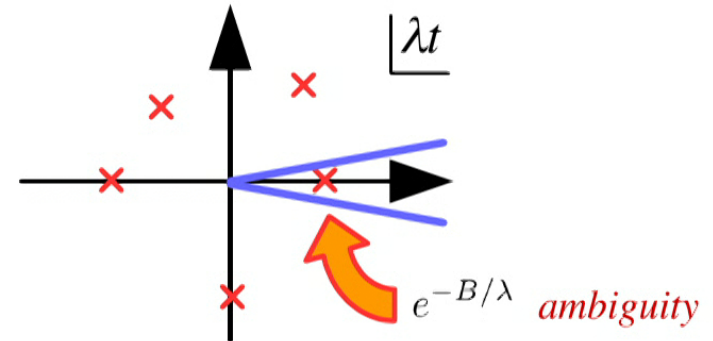
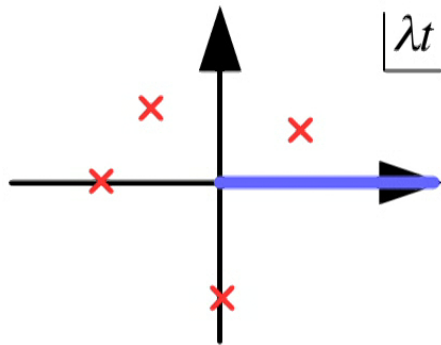
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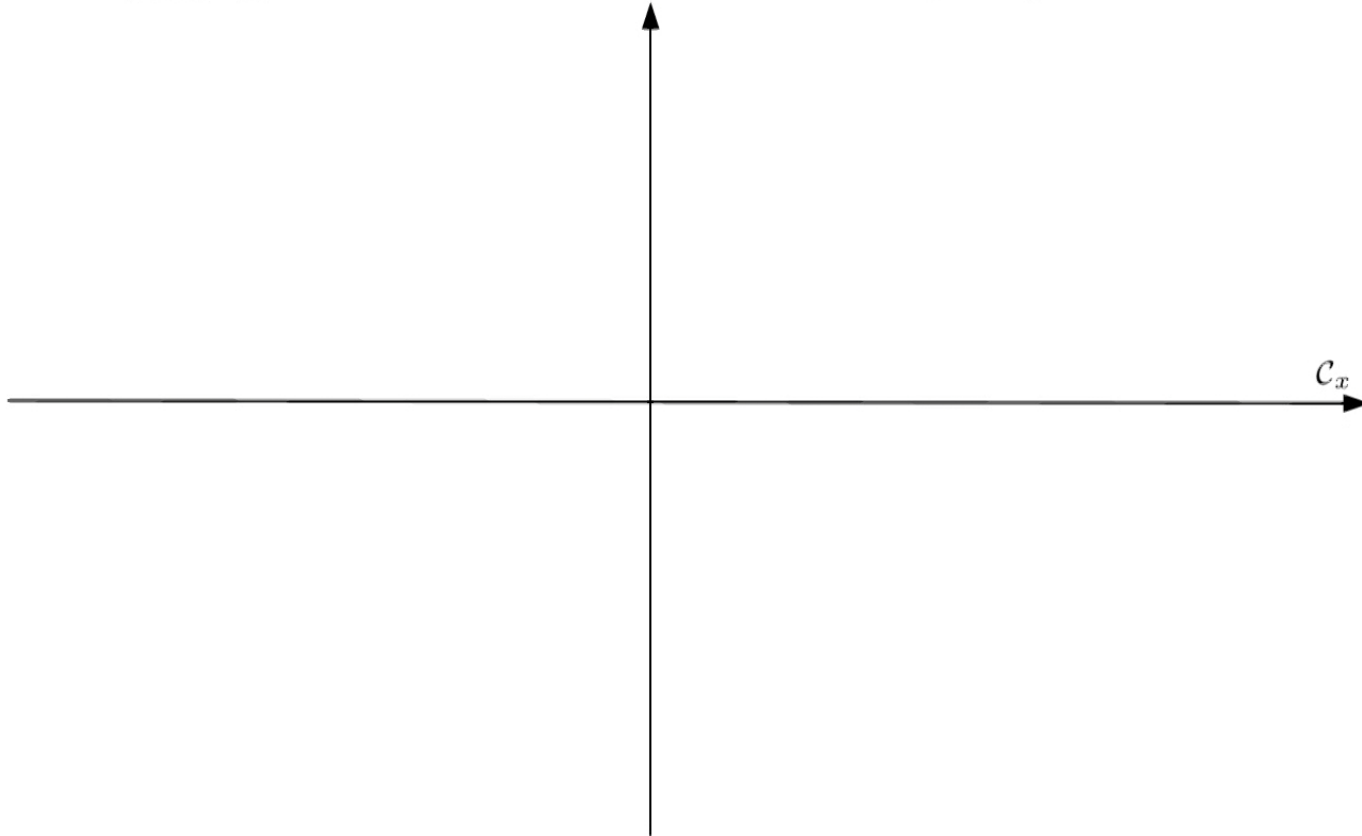
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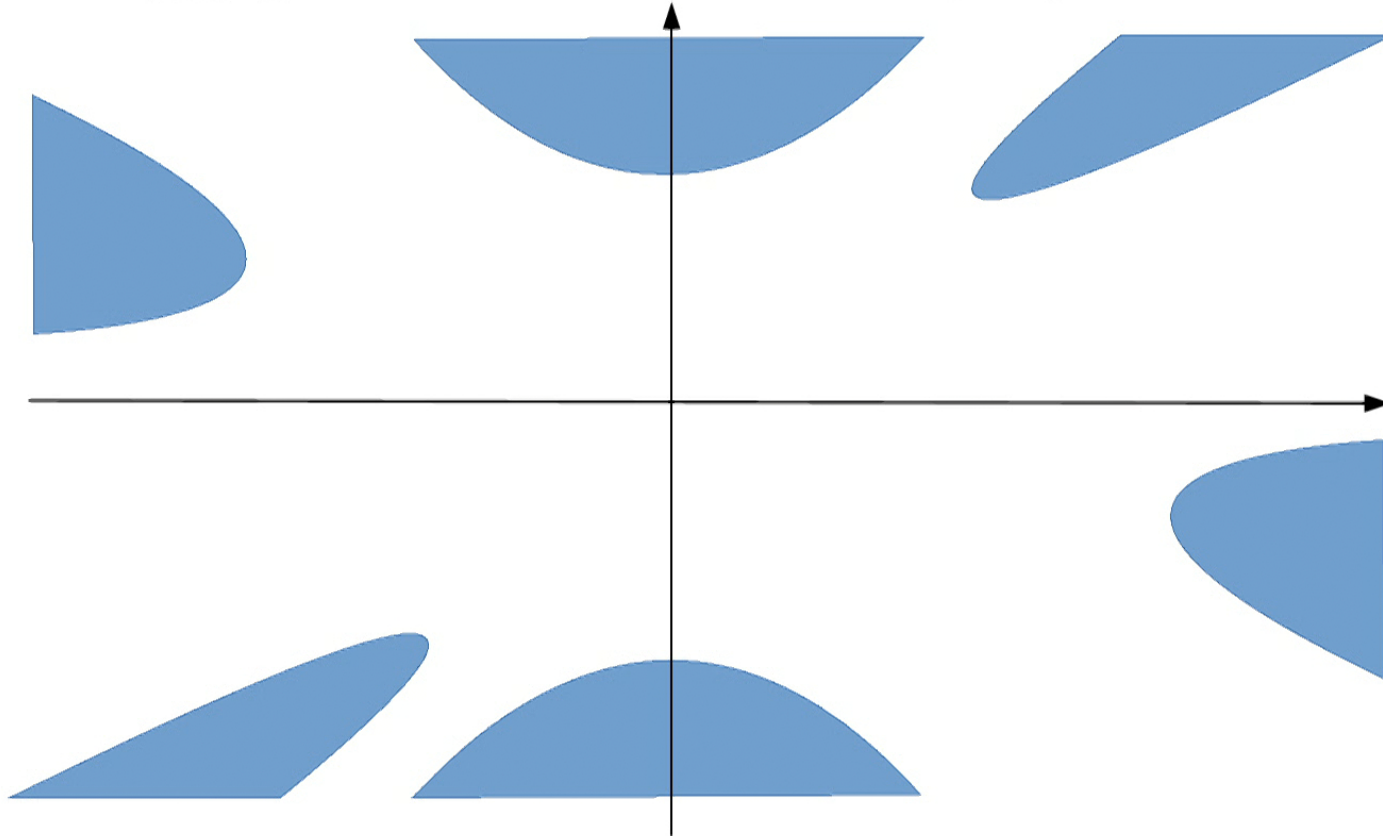


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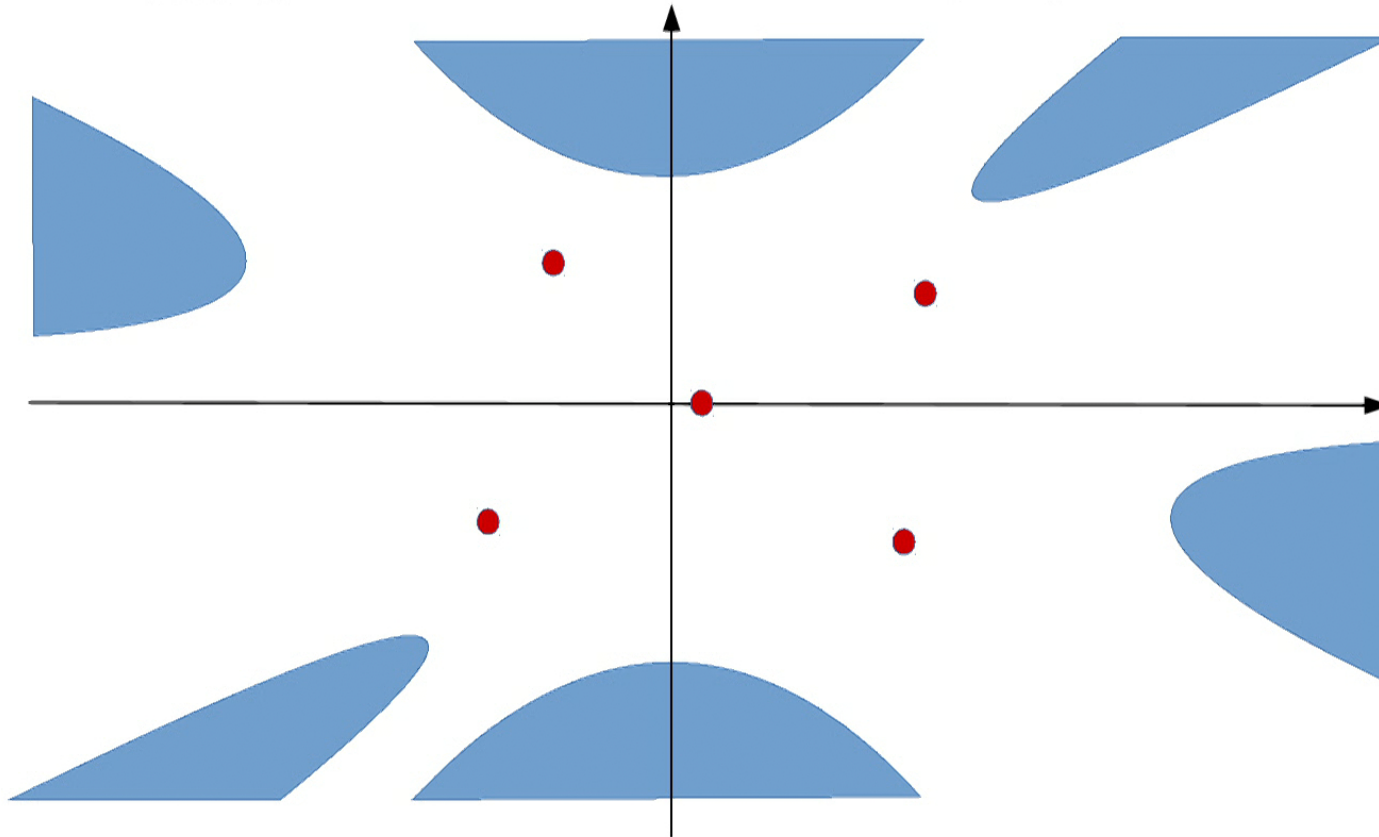
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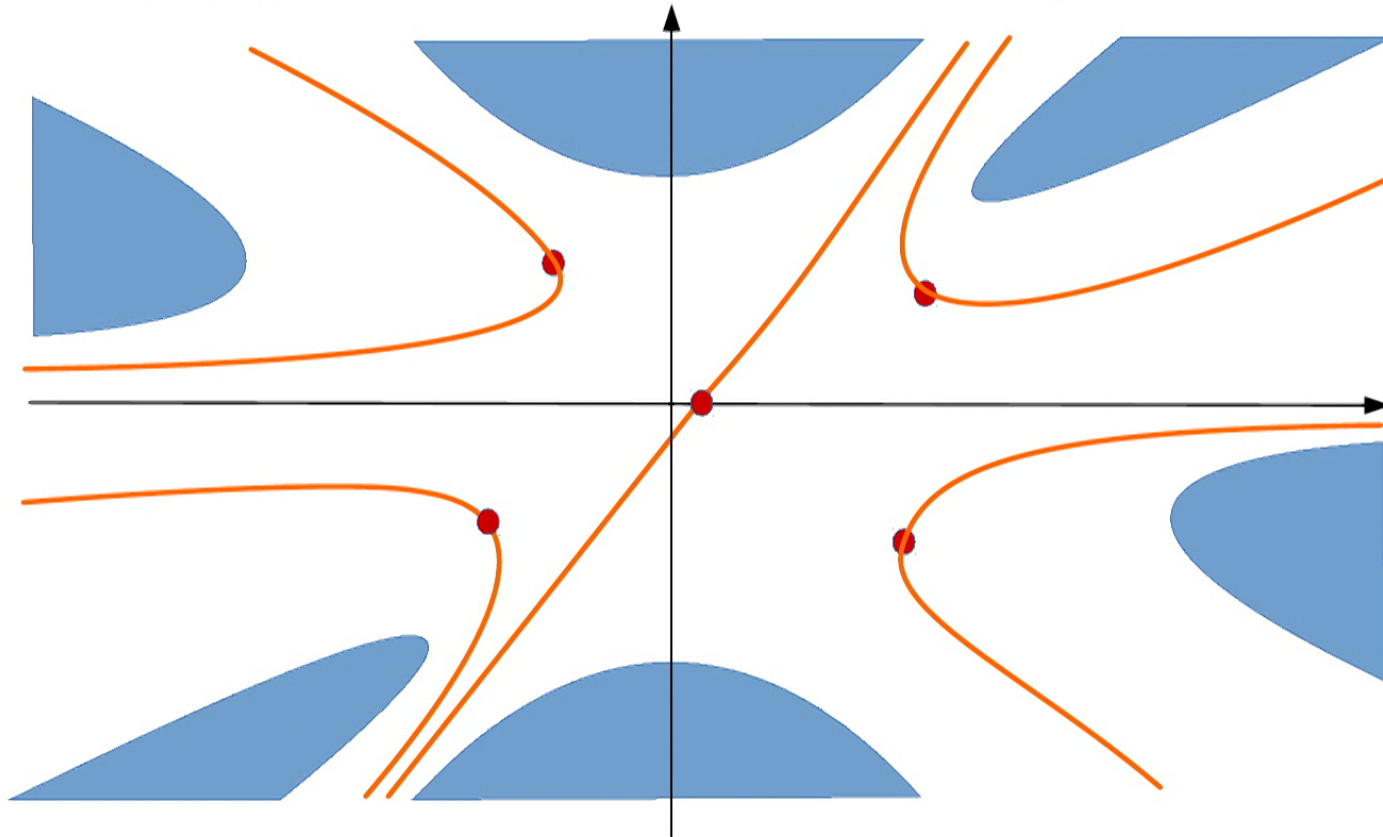
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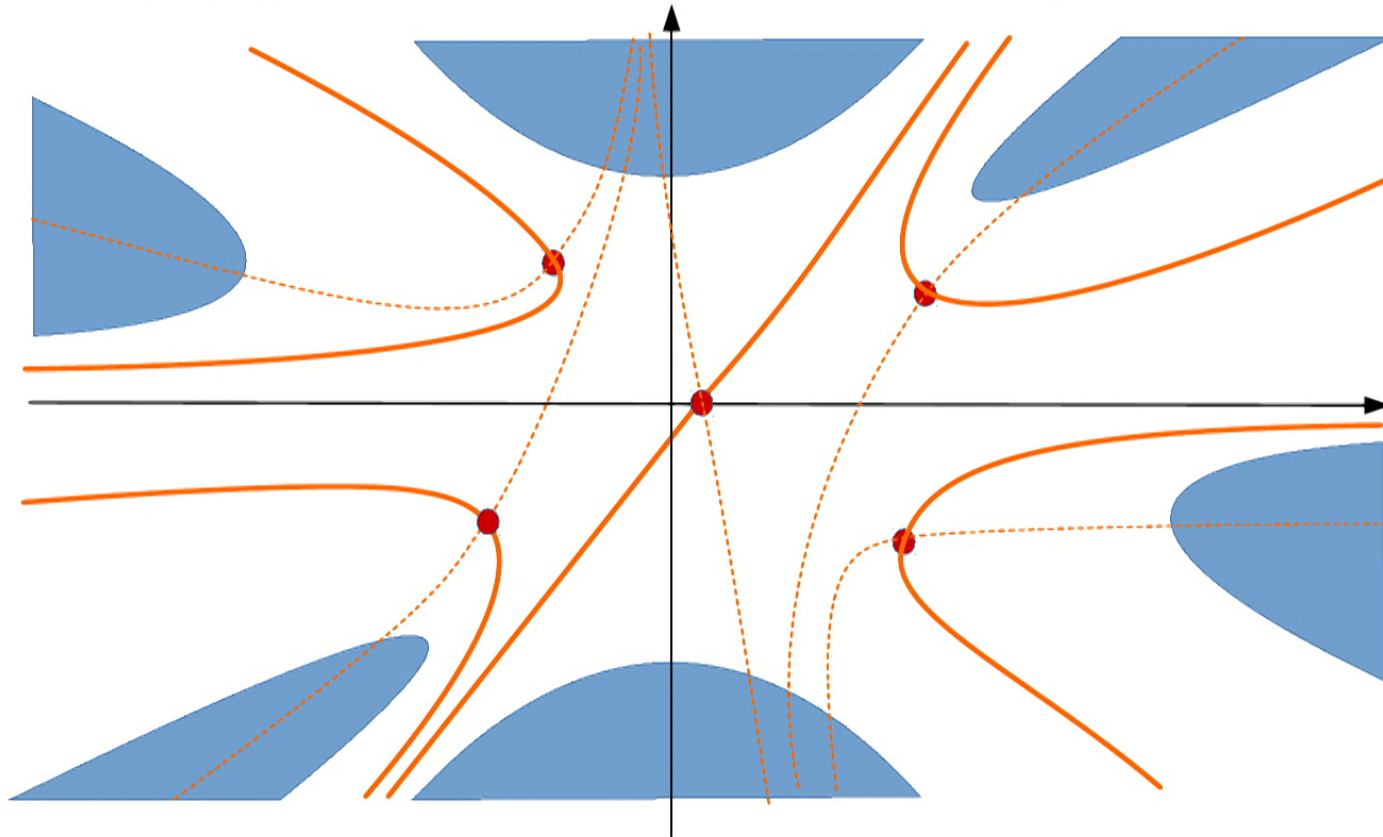


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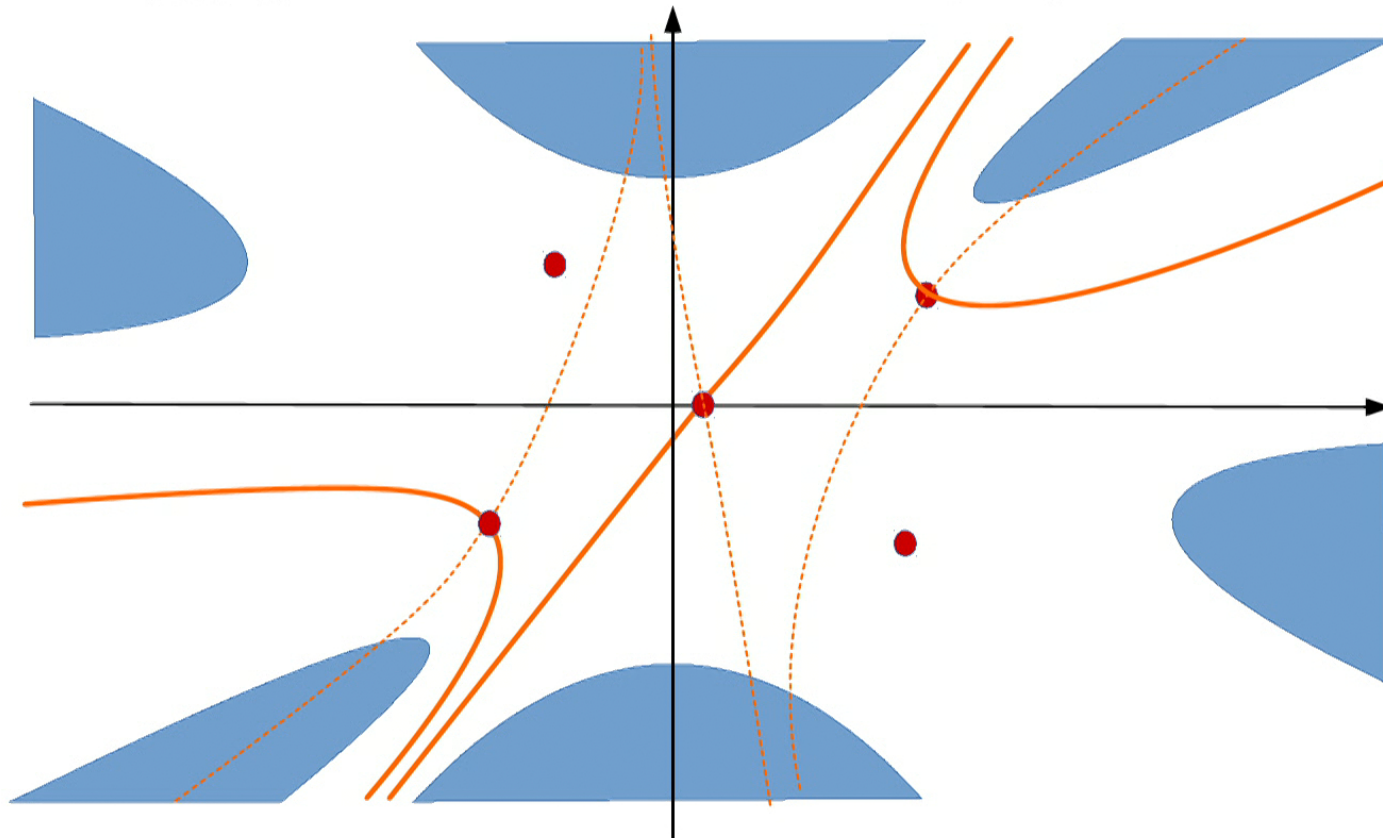
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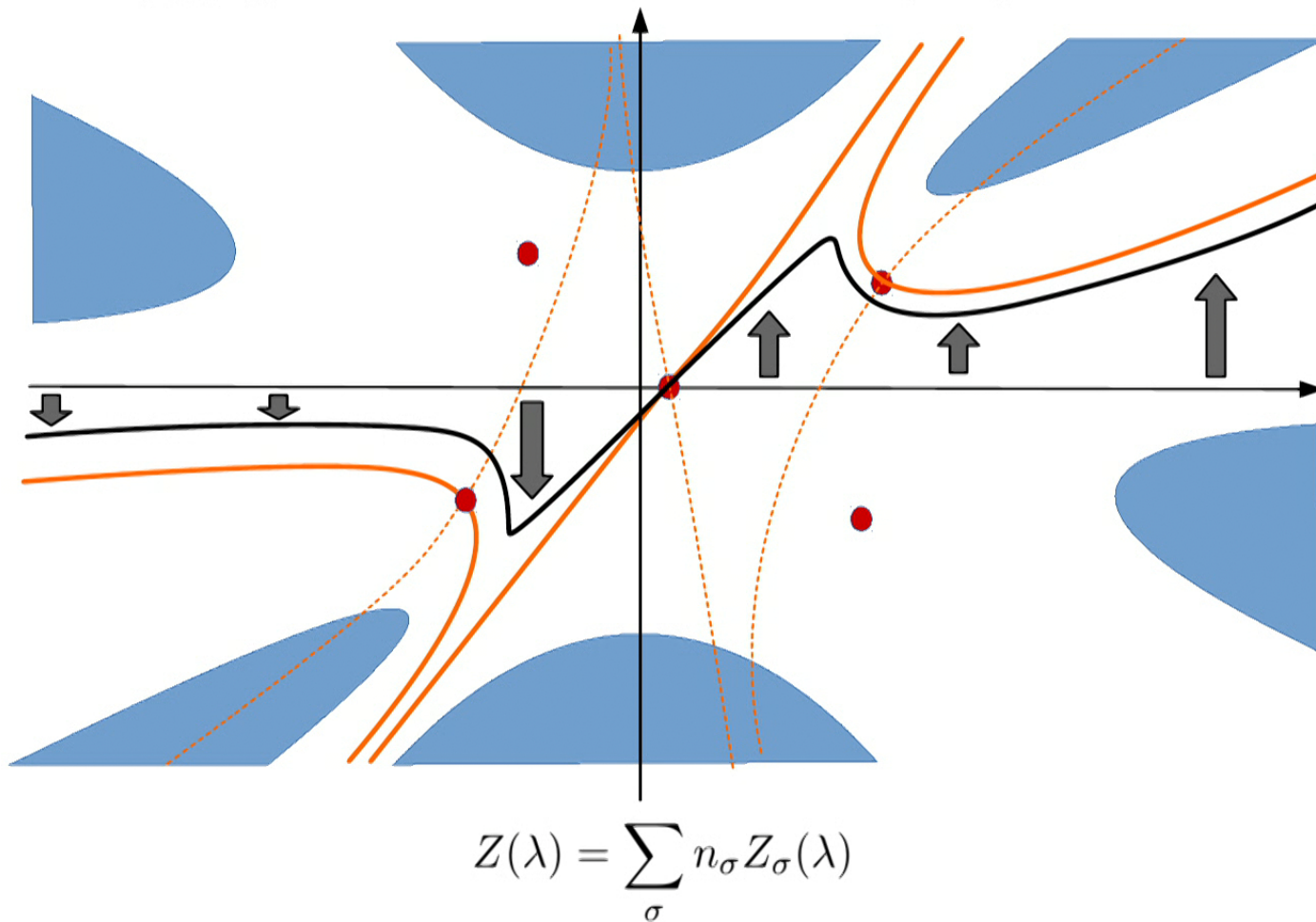
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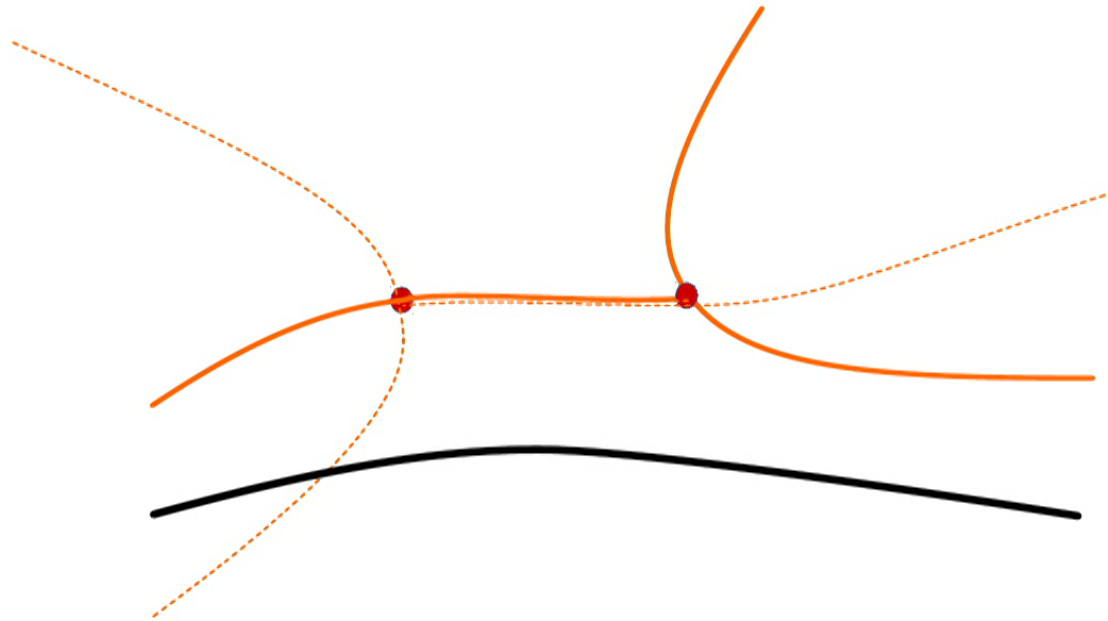


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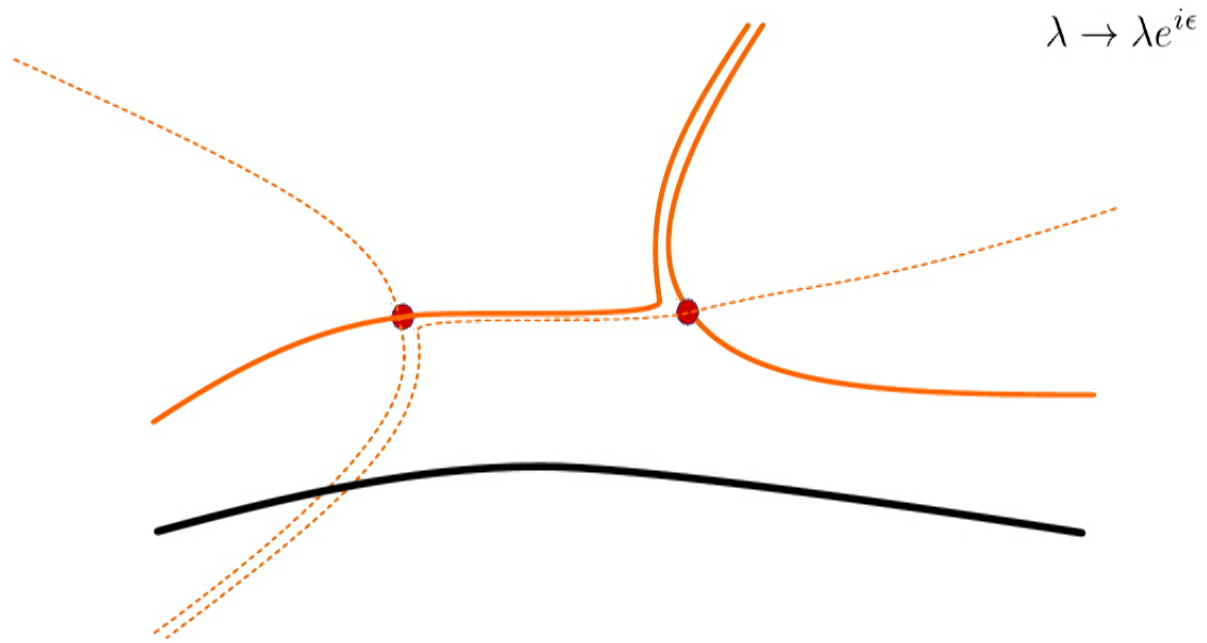
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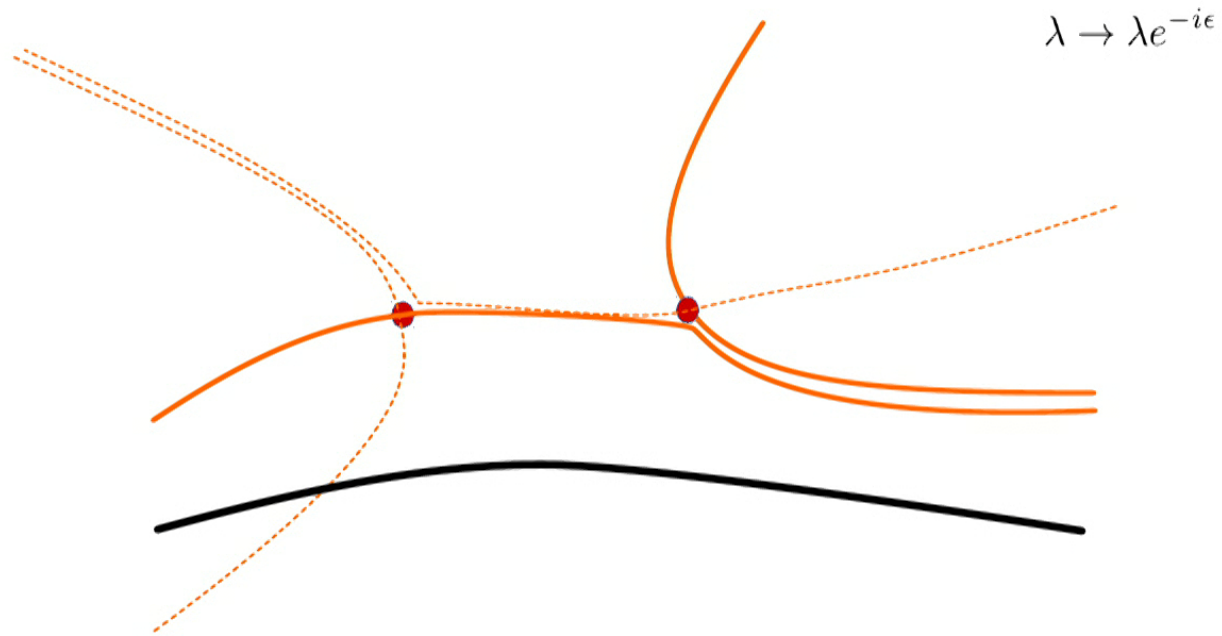
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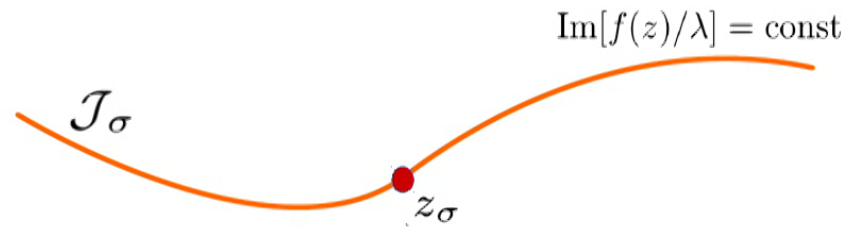
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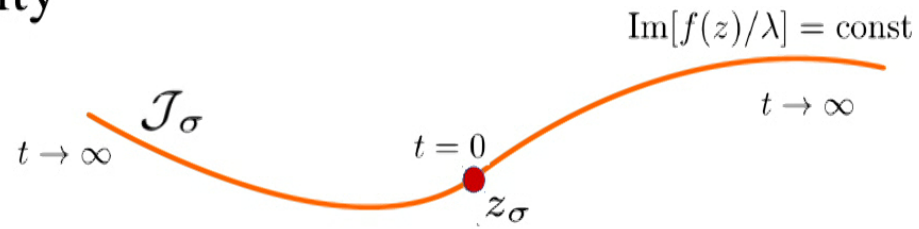


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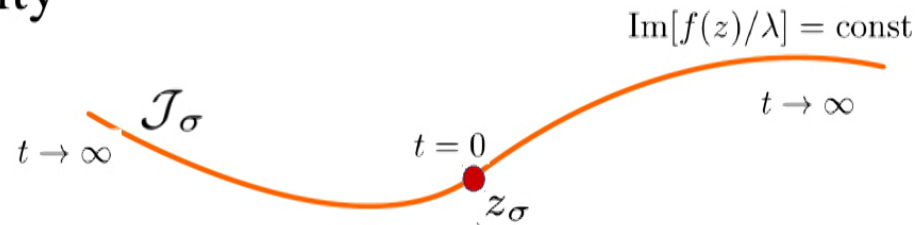
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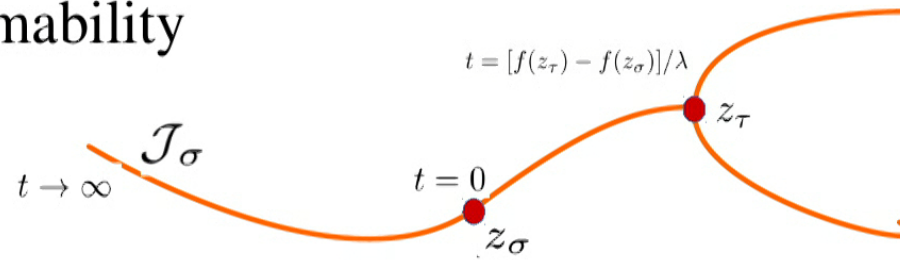
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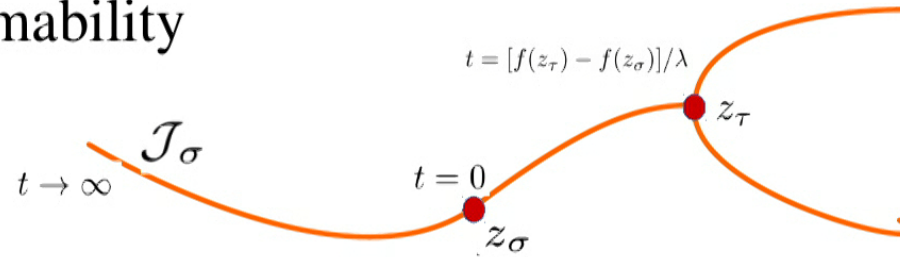
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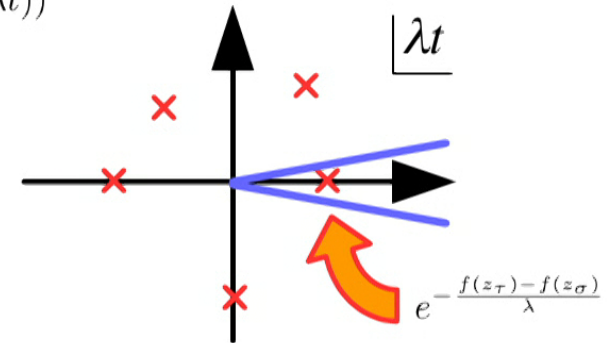


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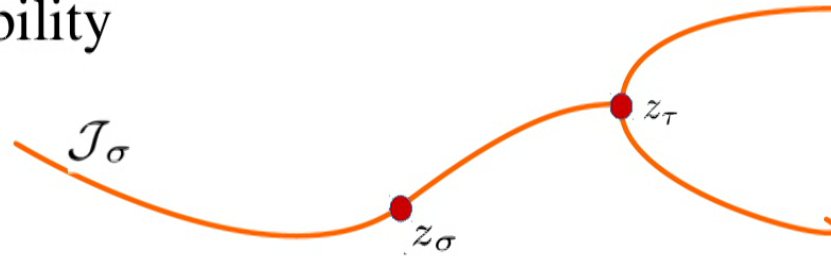
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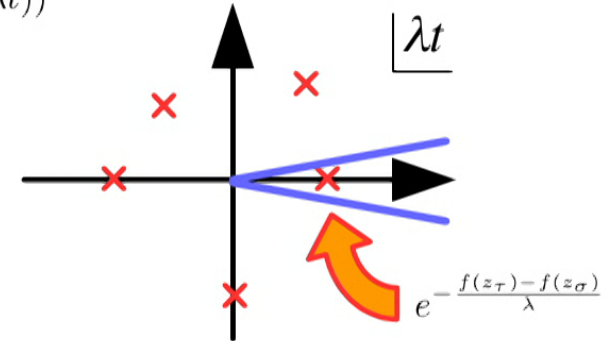
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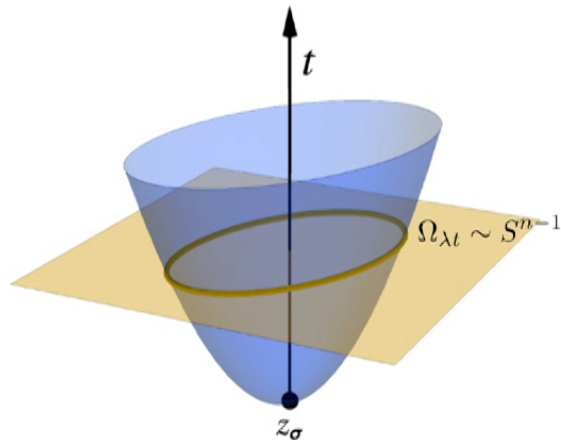
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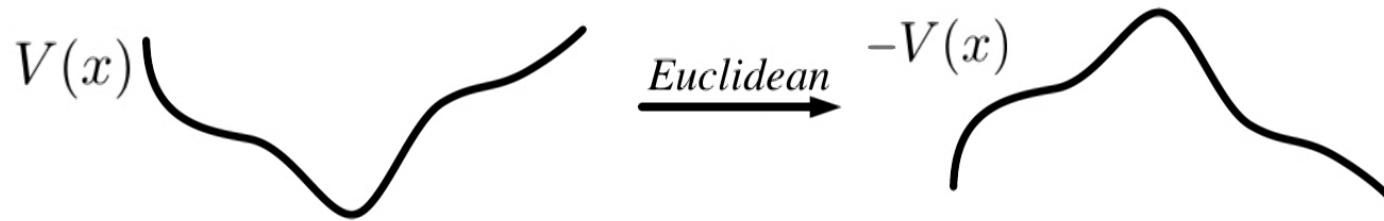
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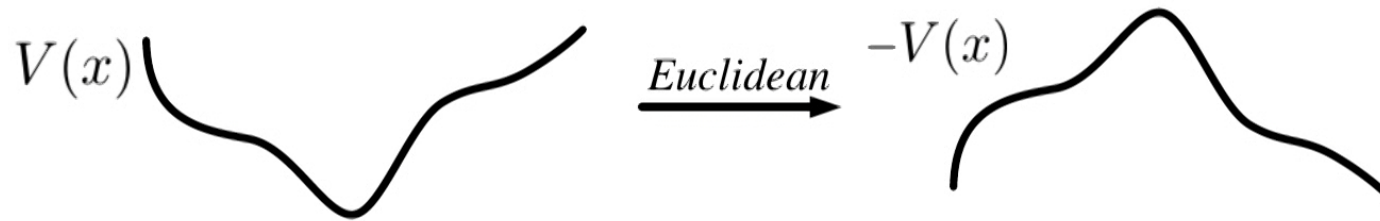
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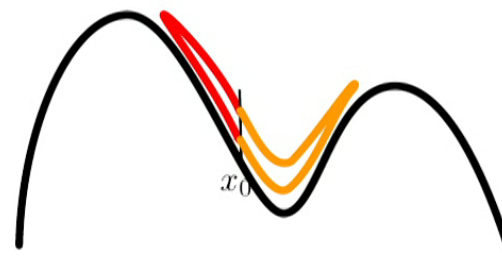


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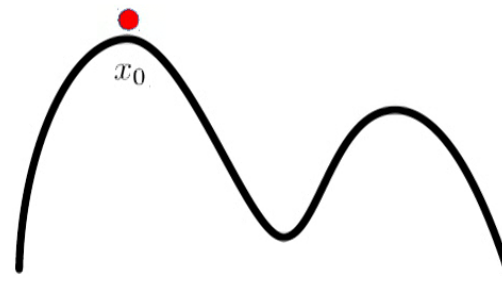
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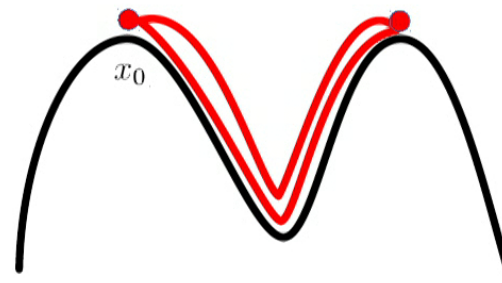
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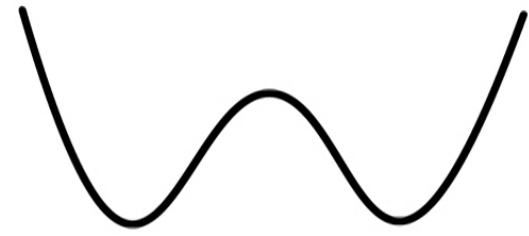
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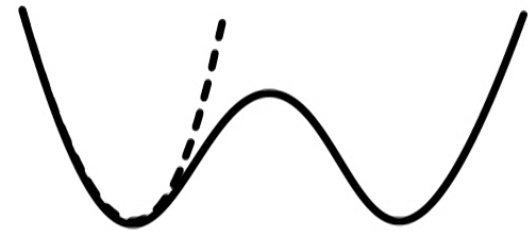
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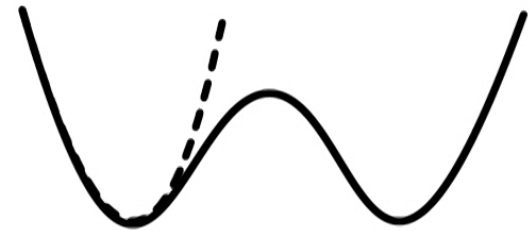
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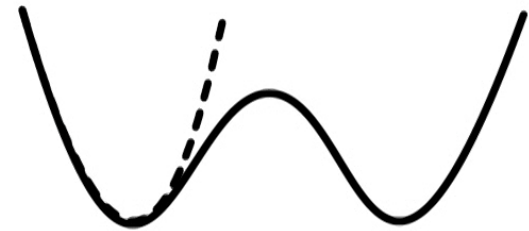
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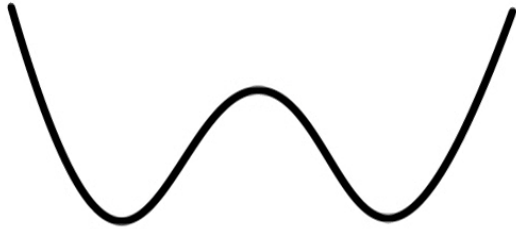
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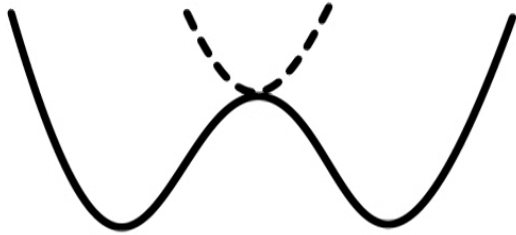
$$V = \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2}x^4 + \sqrt{\lambda}x^3 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2}x^4 + \frac{\lambda^{3/2}}{\lambda_0}x^3$$

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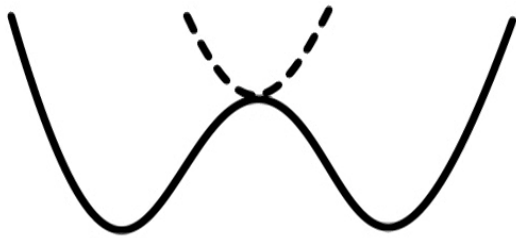
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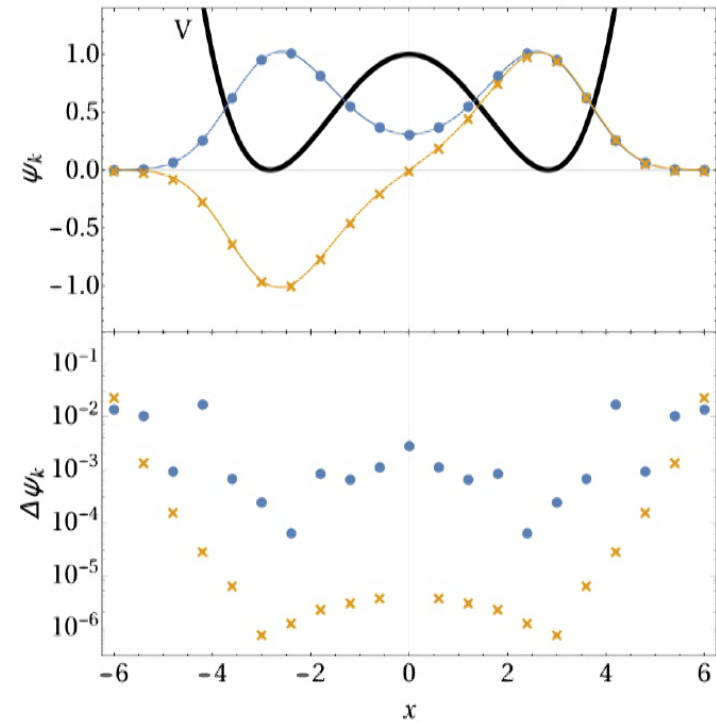


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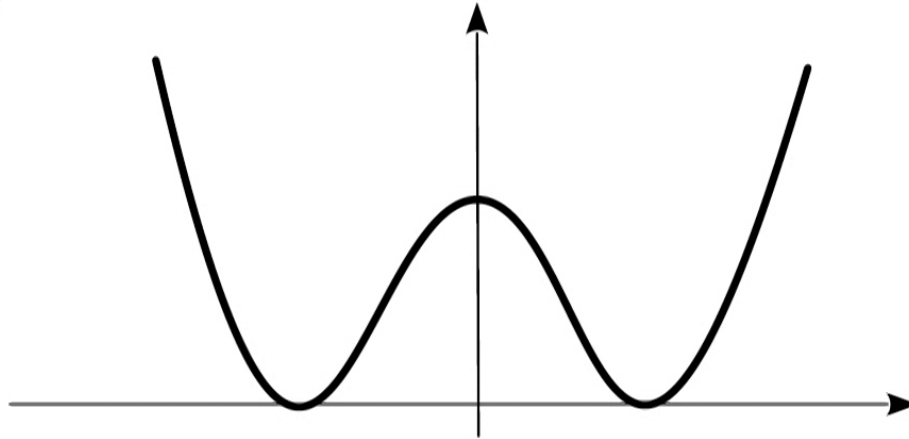
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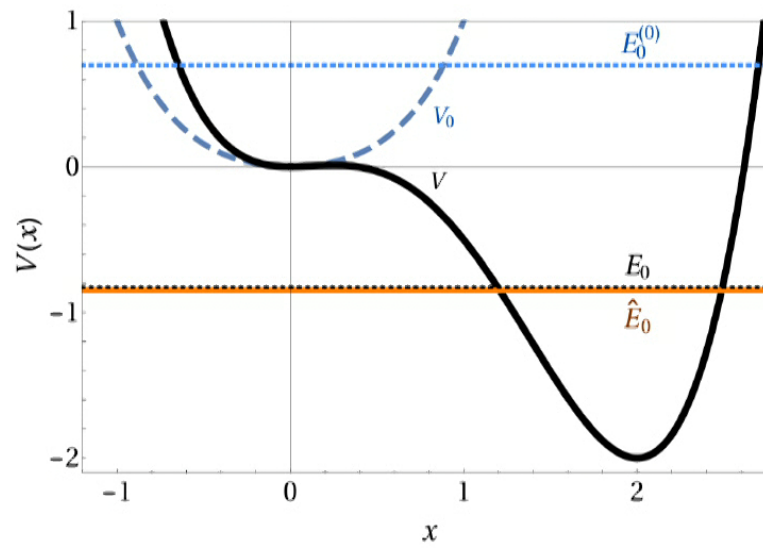


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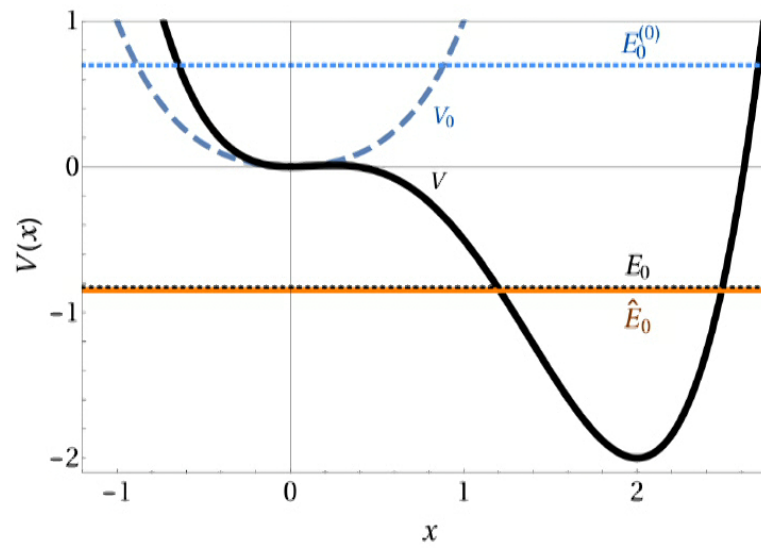
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Conclusions:

- Resummation of PT in QM from Lefschetz-thimbles
- EPT reconstructs non-pert. saddles
(*transseries, Stokes-lines, Borel non-summability*)
- Allows to recover full results at strong coupling from PT alone

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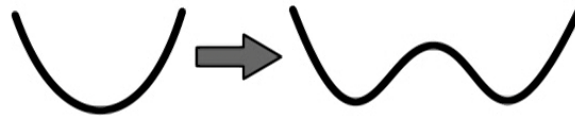
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

























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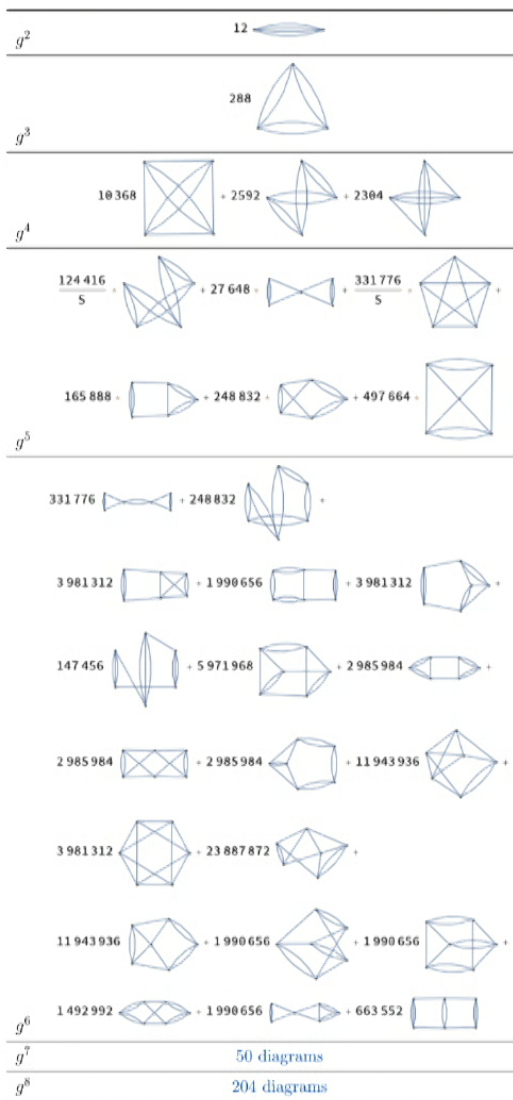
$\lambda\phi^4$ theory in 2D

- Renormalized by normal ordering
- Borel resummable ($m^2 > 0$)
- Rich physics: phase-transition – duality – Ising

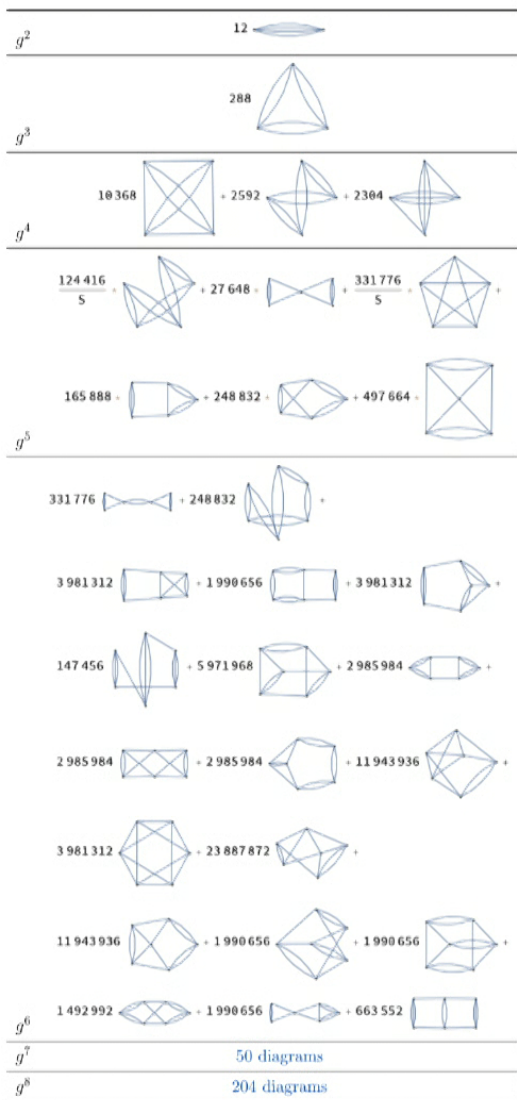


- Quantitatively studied with other methods

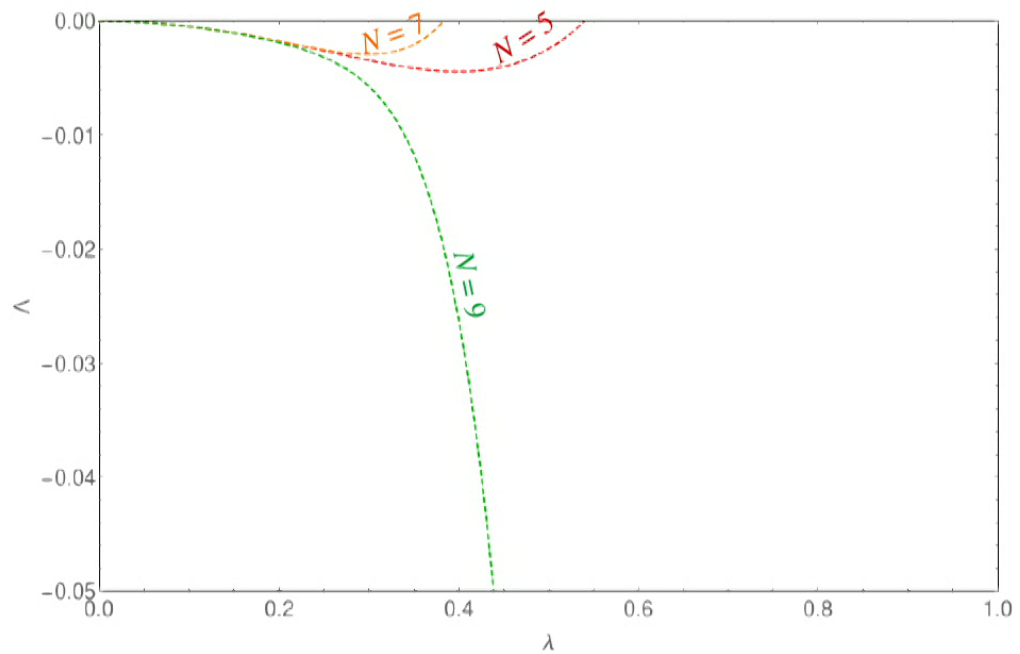
g^2	12							
g^3	288							
g^4	10368		+	2592		+	2304	
g^5	$\frac{124416}{5}$		+	27648		+	$\frac{331776}{5}$	
g^6	165888		+	248832		+	497664	
g^7	331776		+	248832				
g^8	3981312		+	1990656		+	3981312	
g^9	147456		+	5971968		+	2985984	
g^{10}	2985984		+	2985984		+	11943936	
g^{11}	3981312		+	23887872				
g^{12}	11943936		+	1990656		+	1990656	
g^{13}	1492992		+	1990656		+	663552	
g^{14}	50 diagrams							
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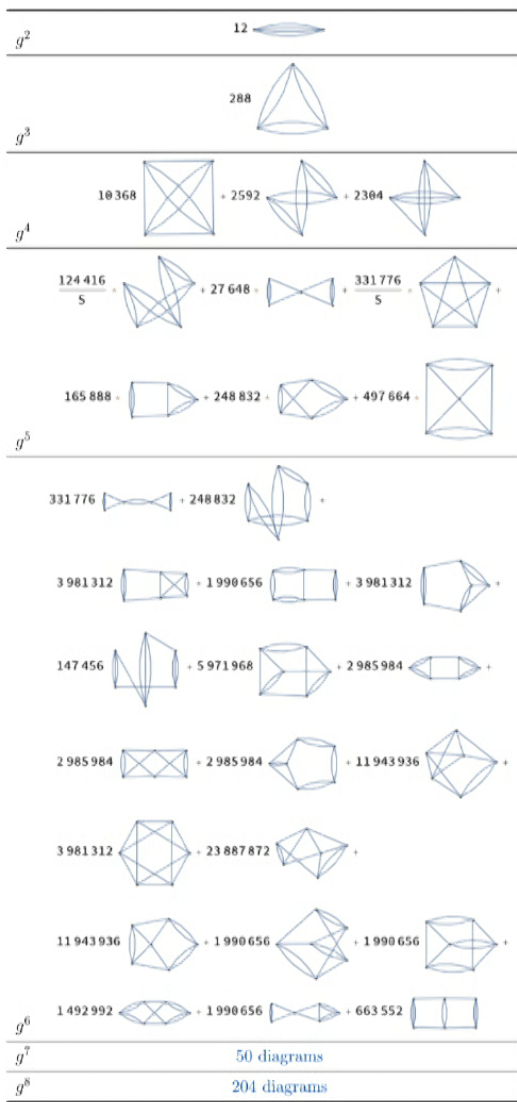


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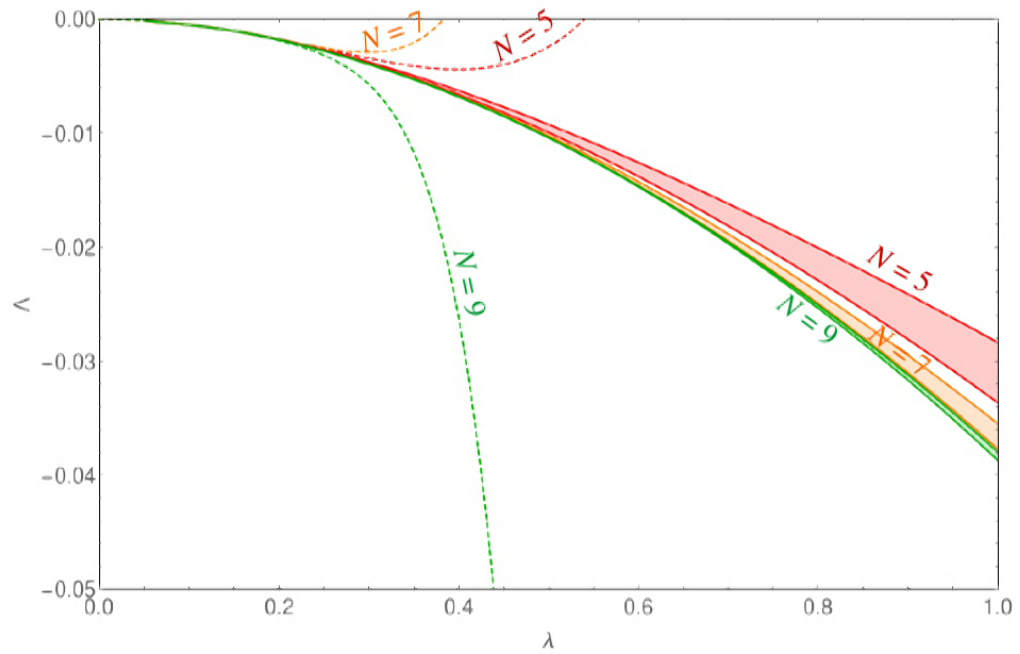


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The Power of Series

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based on:

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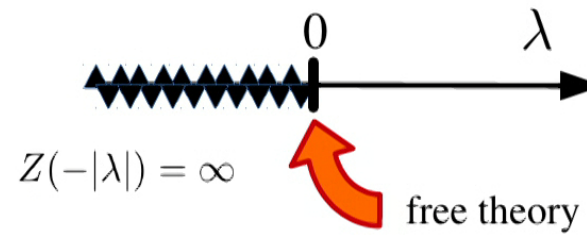
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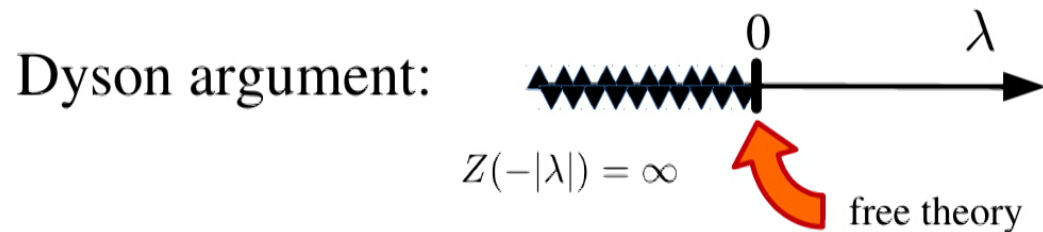
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Dyson argument:



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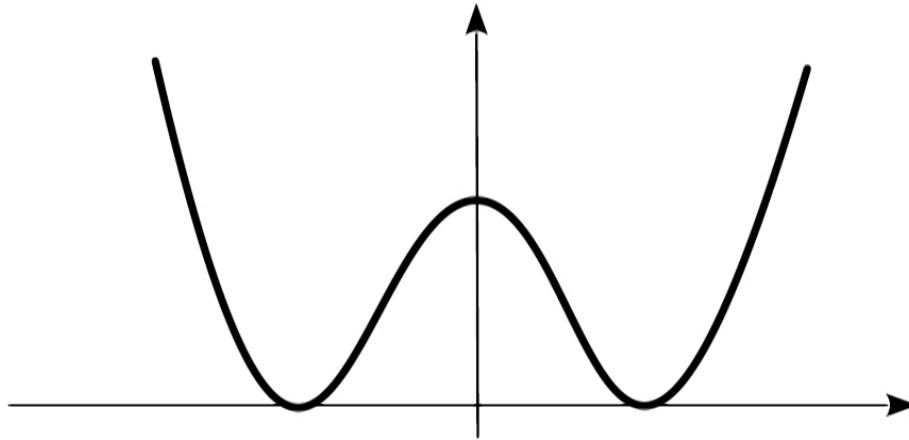
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Transseries

$$Z(\lambda) \approx \sum_n Z_n \lambda^n + \sum_m e^{-B_m/\lambda} \sum_n Z_n^{(m)} \lambda^n + \dots$$

e.g. double-well in QM



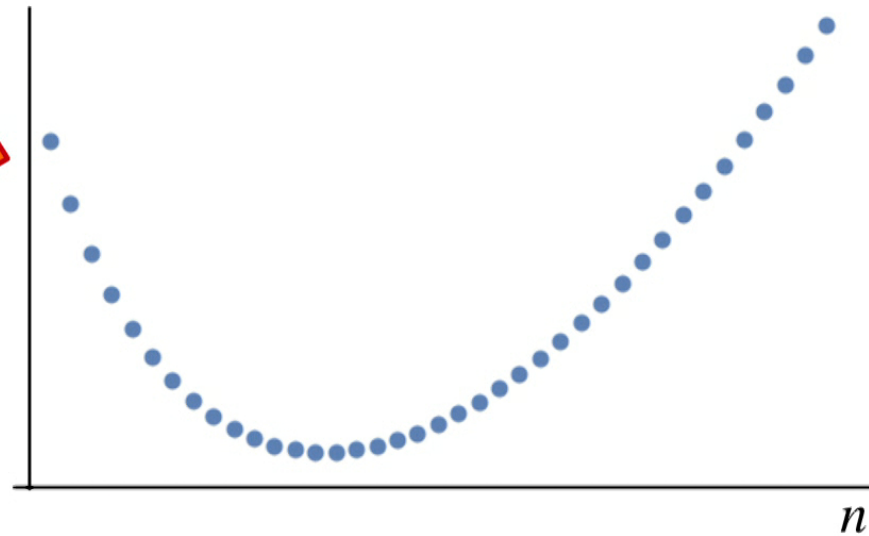
$$E_{\pm} = \sum_n e_n \lambda^n \pm \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{6\lambda}}}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \sum_n e_n^{(1)} \lambda^n + \dots$$

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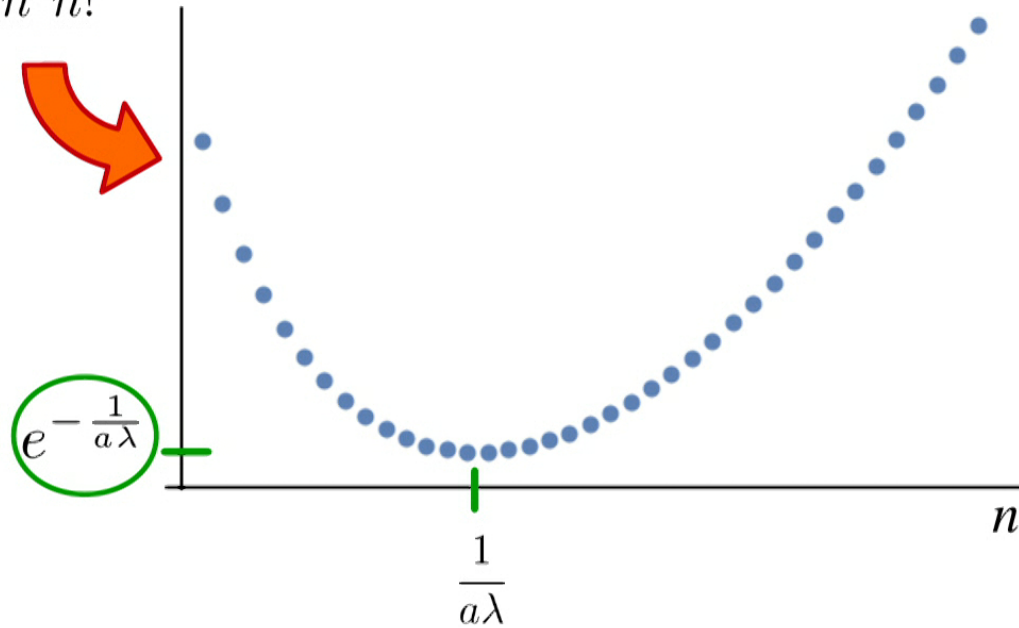
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$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{Z_n}{\Gamma(n+1+b)} t^n \quad \text{finite radius of convergence!}$$