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# Cool D3/D7 Thermodynamics

## Outline:

1. AdS/CFT with D7-branes  
     fundamental matter
2. AdS/CFT thermodynamics
3. Probe brane thermodynamics  
     self-similar embeddings  
     first-order phase transition
4. Conclusions/Future Directions

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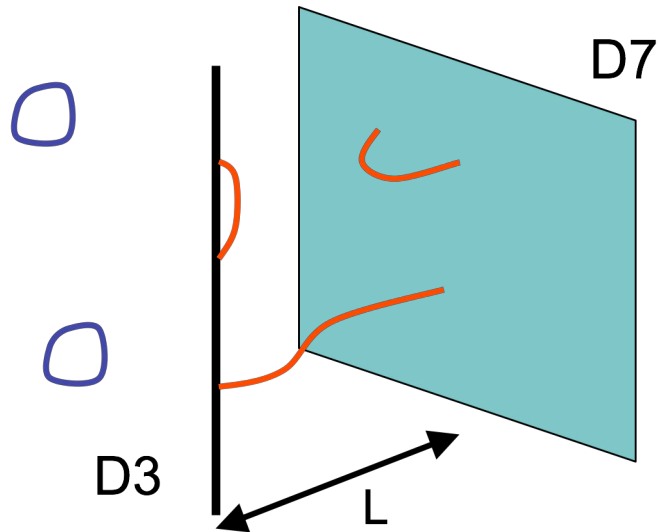
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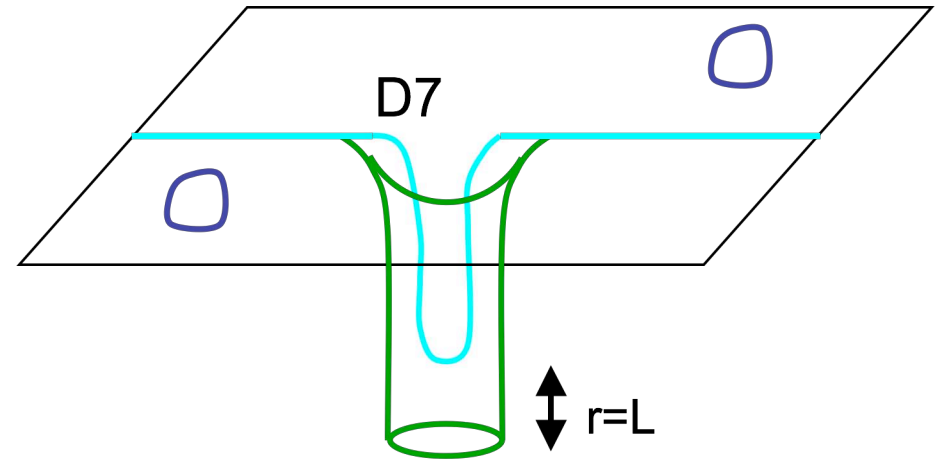
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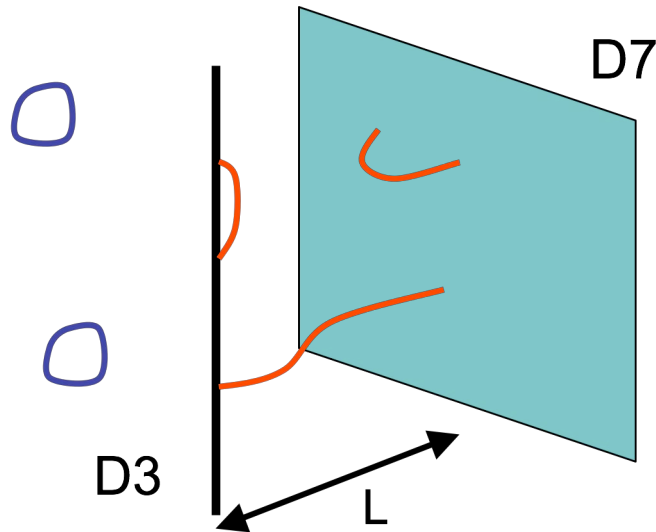


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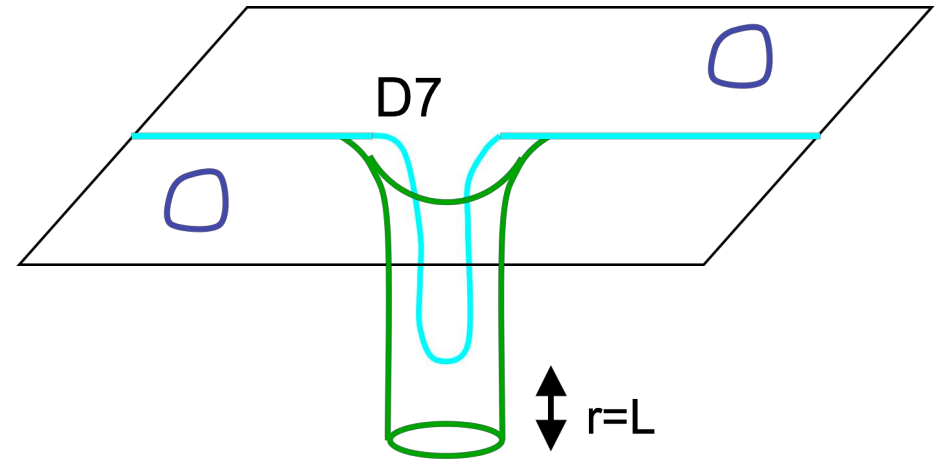
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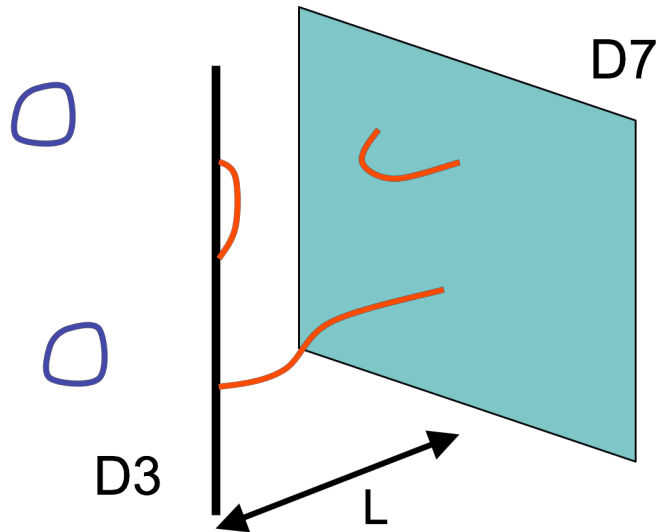


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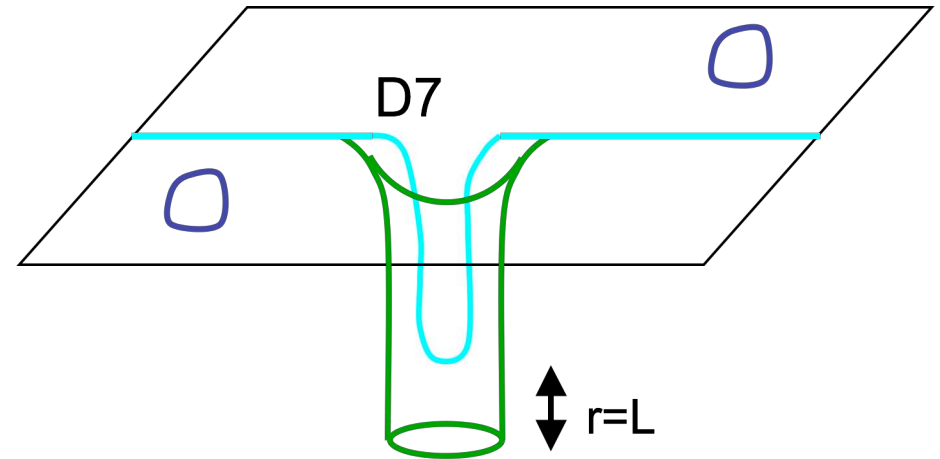
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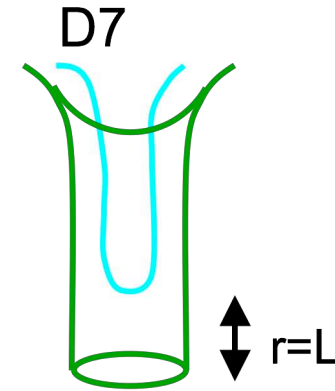
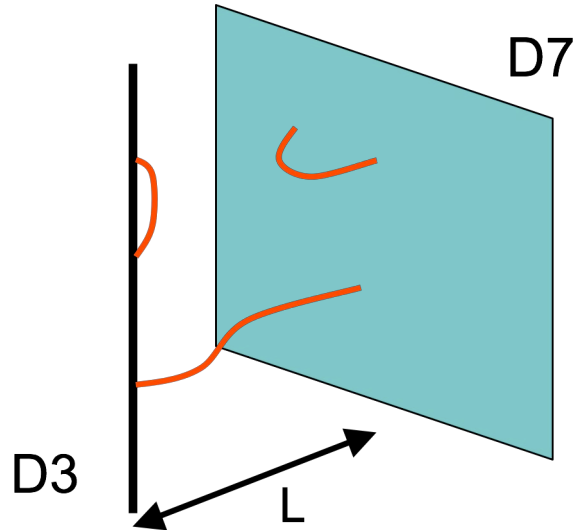


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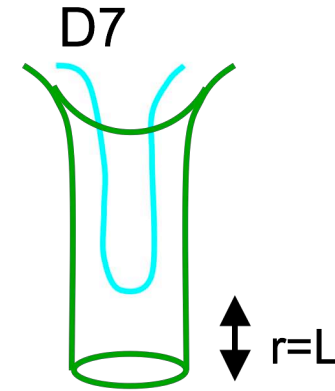
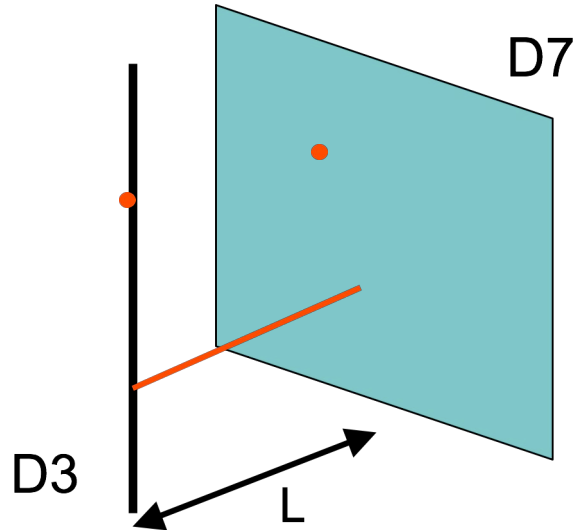
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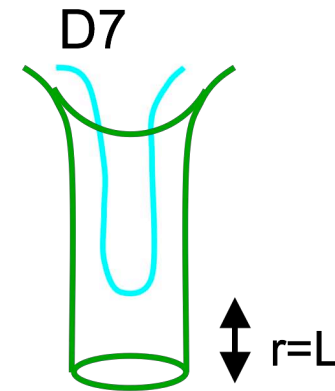
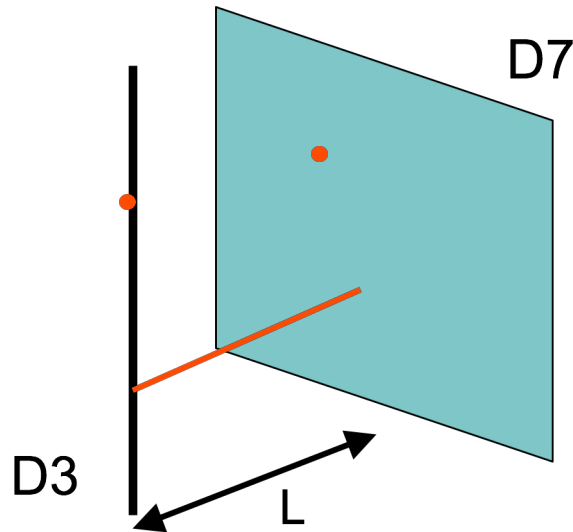
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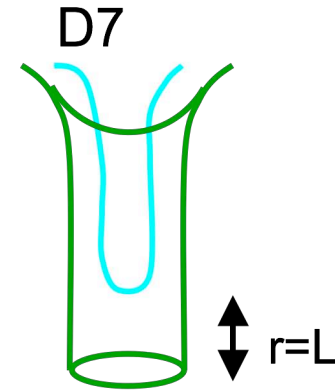
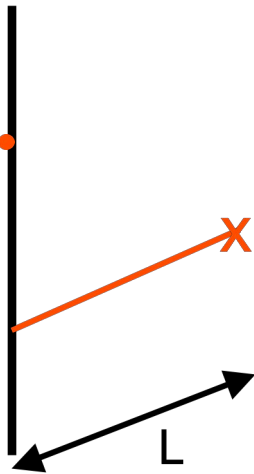
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- throat geometry:  $AdS_5 \times S^5$  with k D7's
- brane theory  $\rightarrow$   $N=4$  U(N) SYM with fundamental matter

## Field theory:

### $\mathcal{N}=4$ U(N) super-Yang-Mills

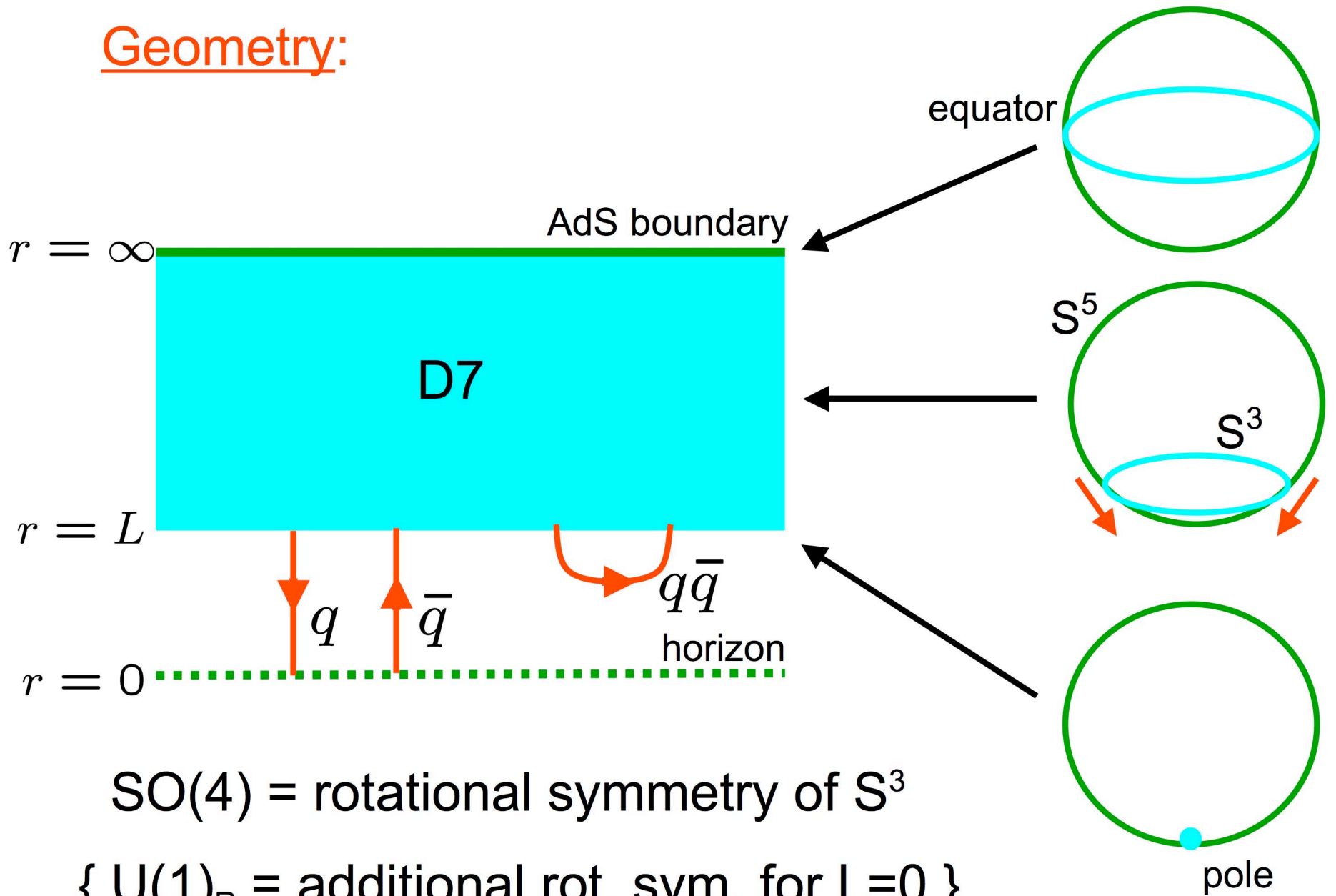
vector:	$A_\mu$	} adjoint in U(N)
4 Weyl fermions:	$\lambda, \psi_{1,2,3}$	
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2 complex scalars :	$q_\pm$	} fund. in U(N) & global U(k)
2 Weyl fermions:	$\chi_\pm$	

- SUSY:  $\mathcal{N}=4 \rightarrow \mathcal{N}=2$
- $SO(6) \rightarrow SO(4) = SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \{ \times U(1)_R \}_{m=0}$   
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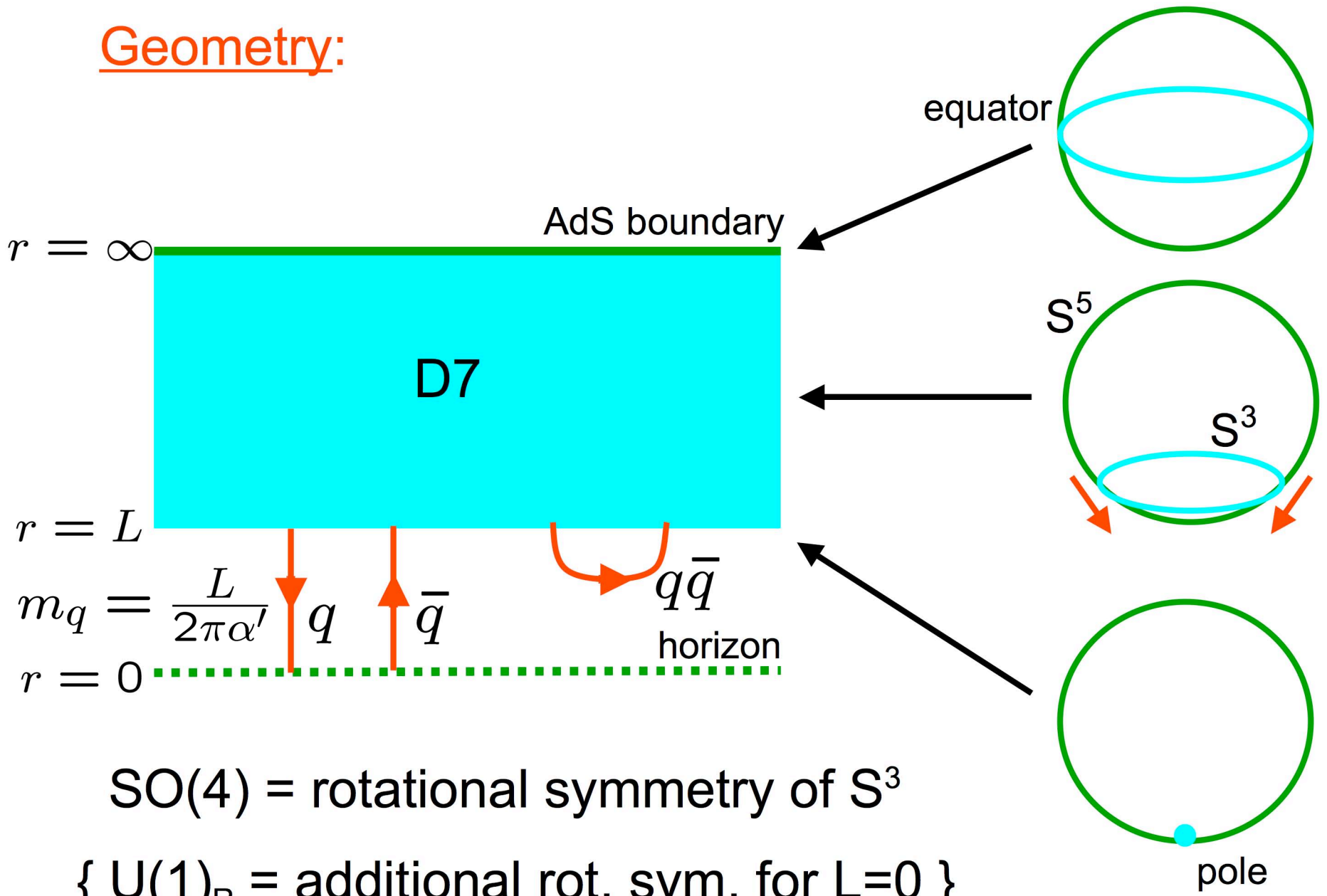
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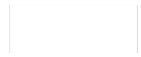
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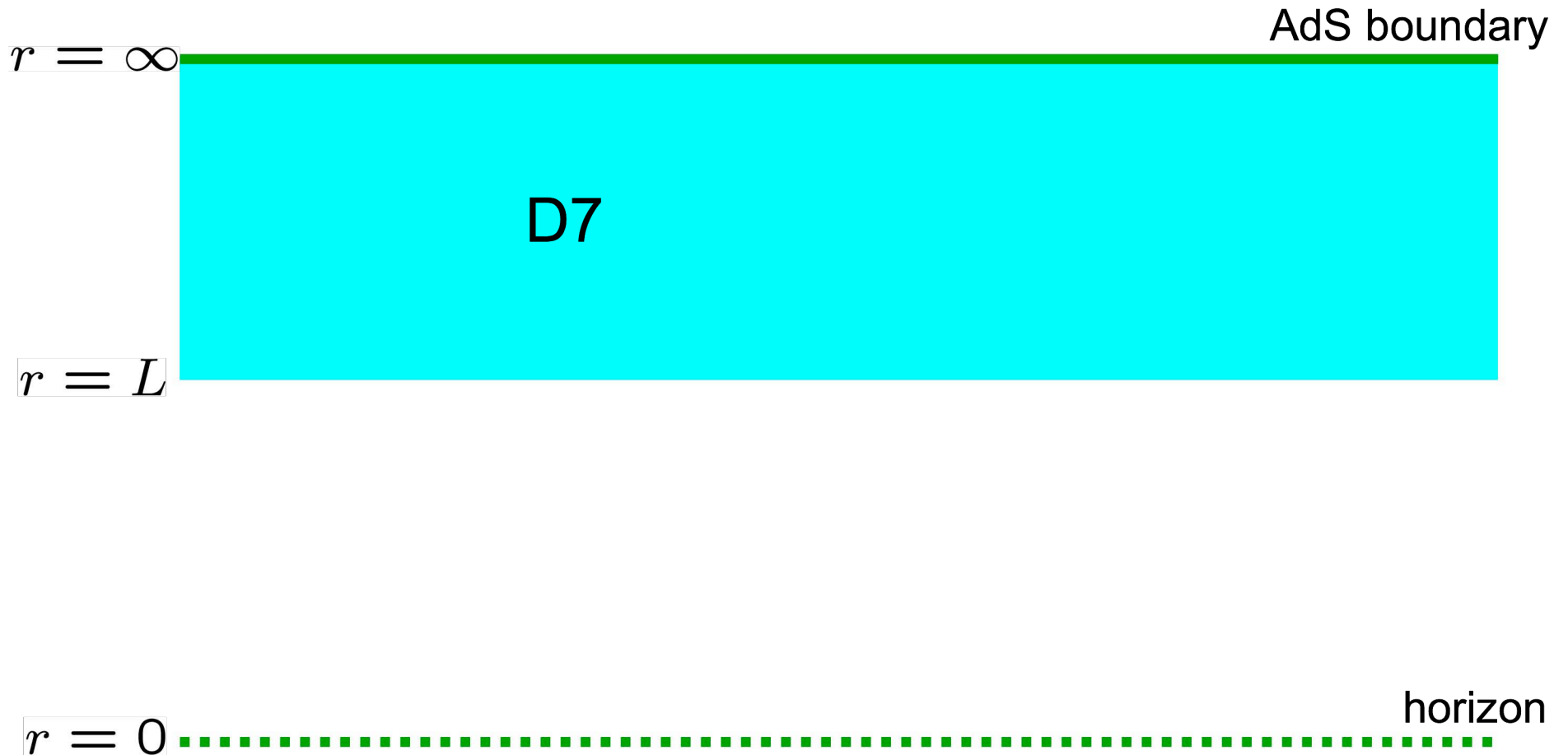
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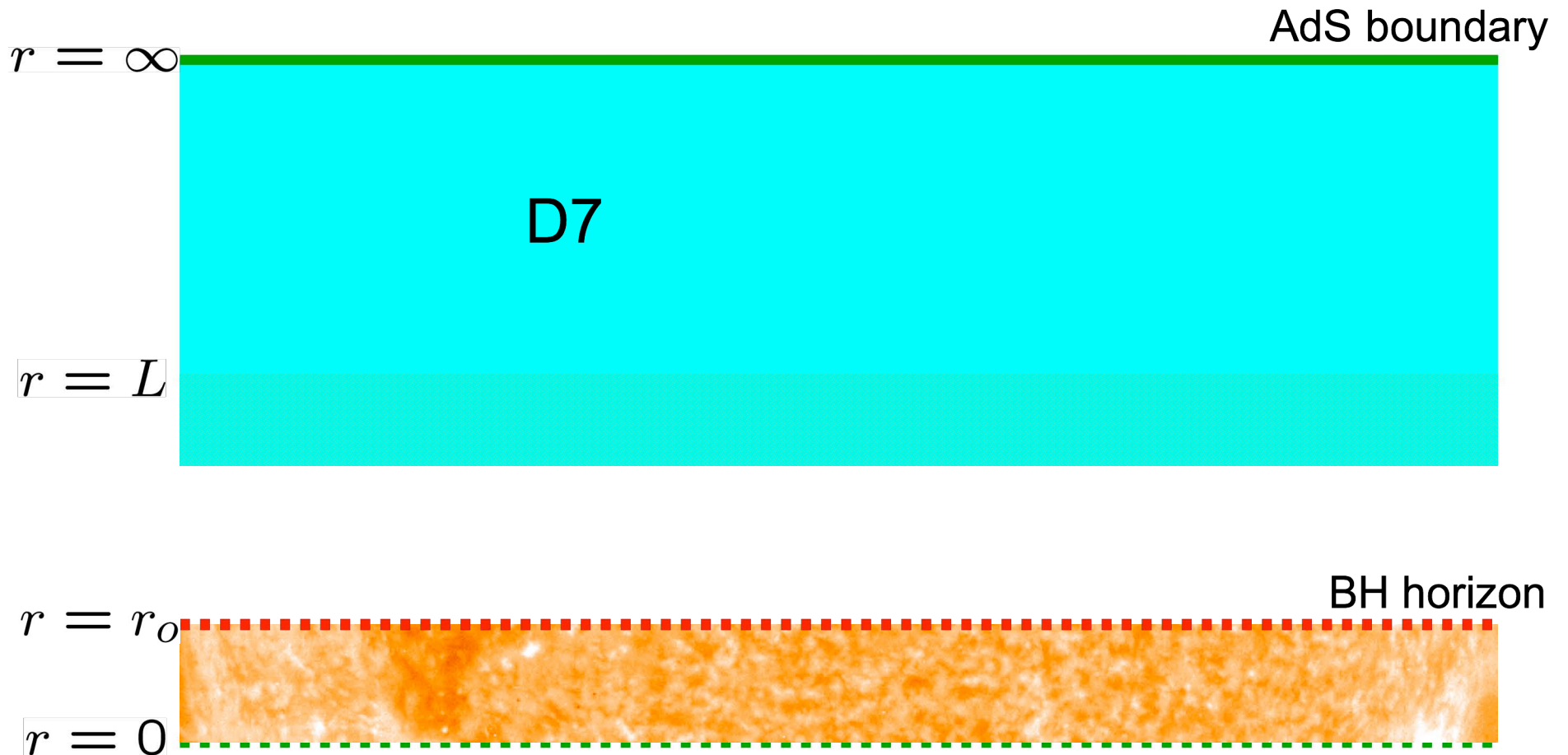
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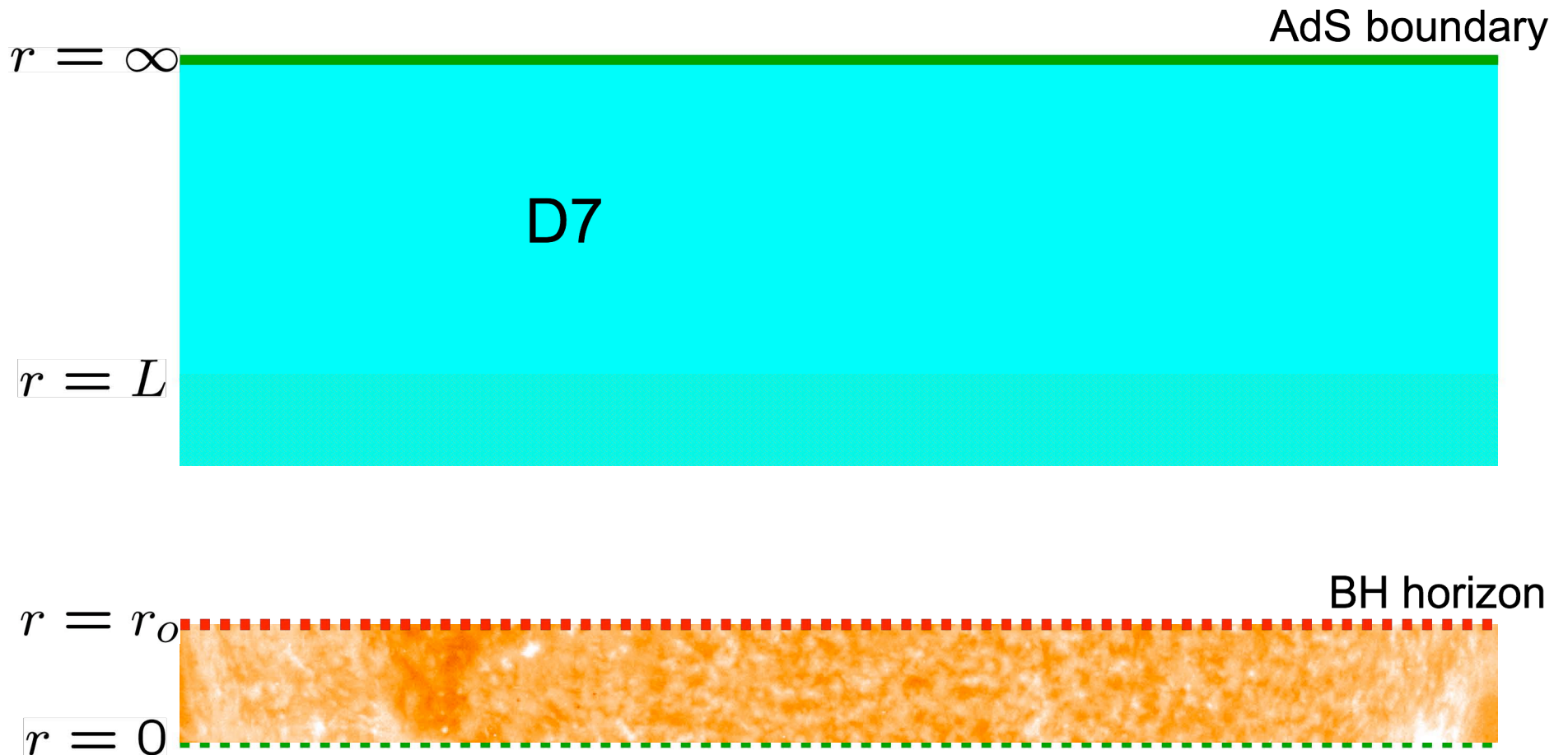
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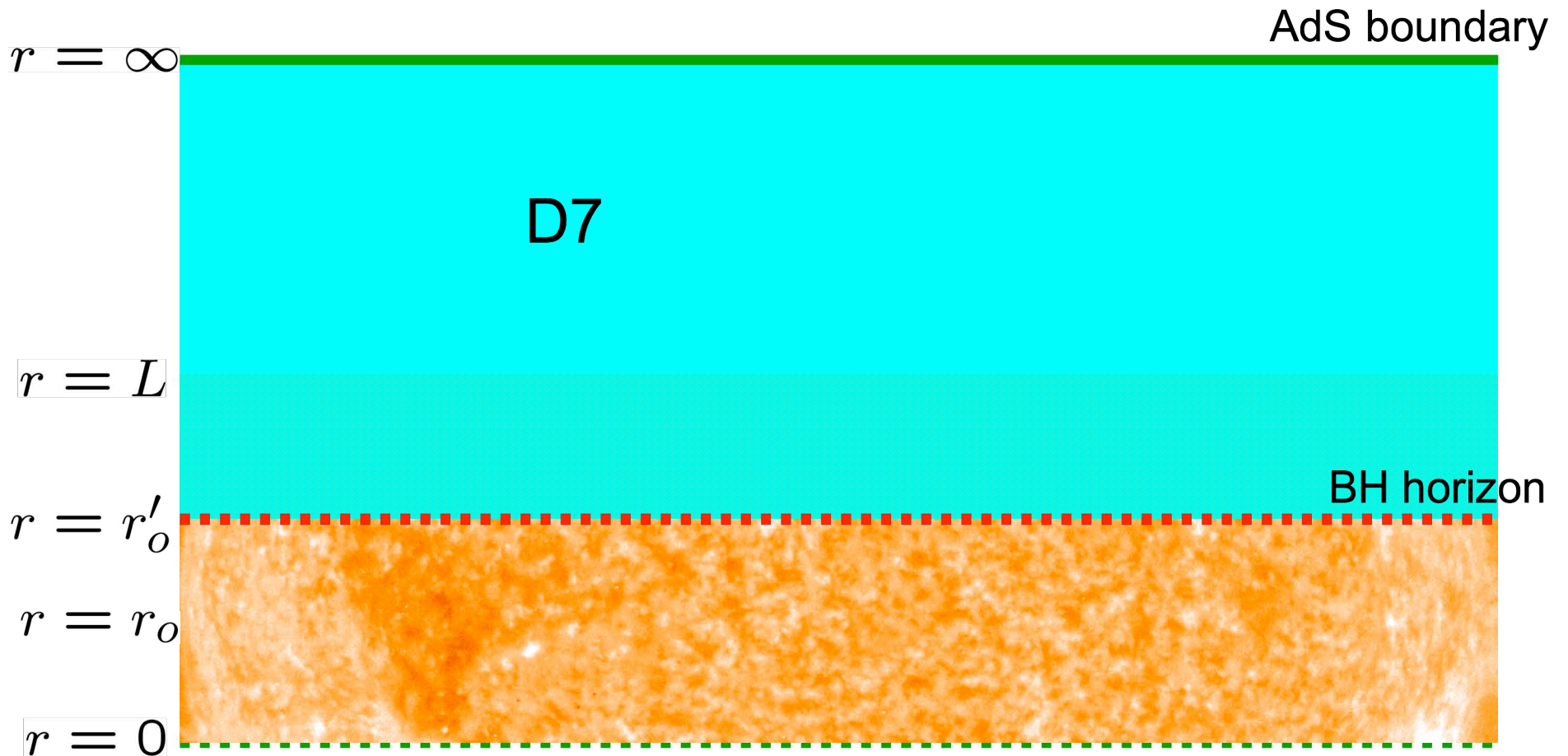
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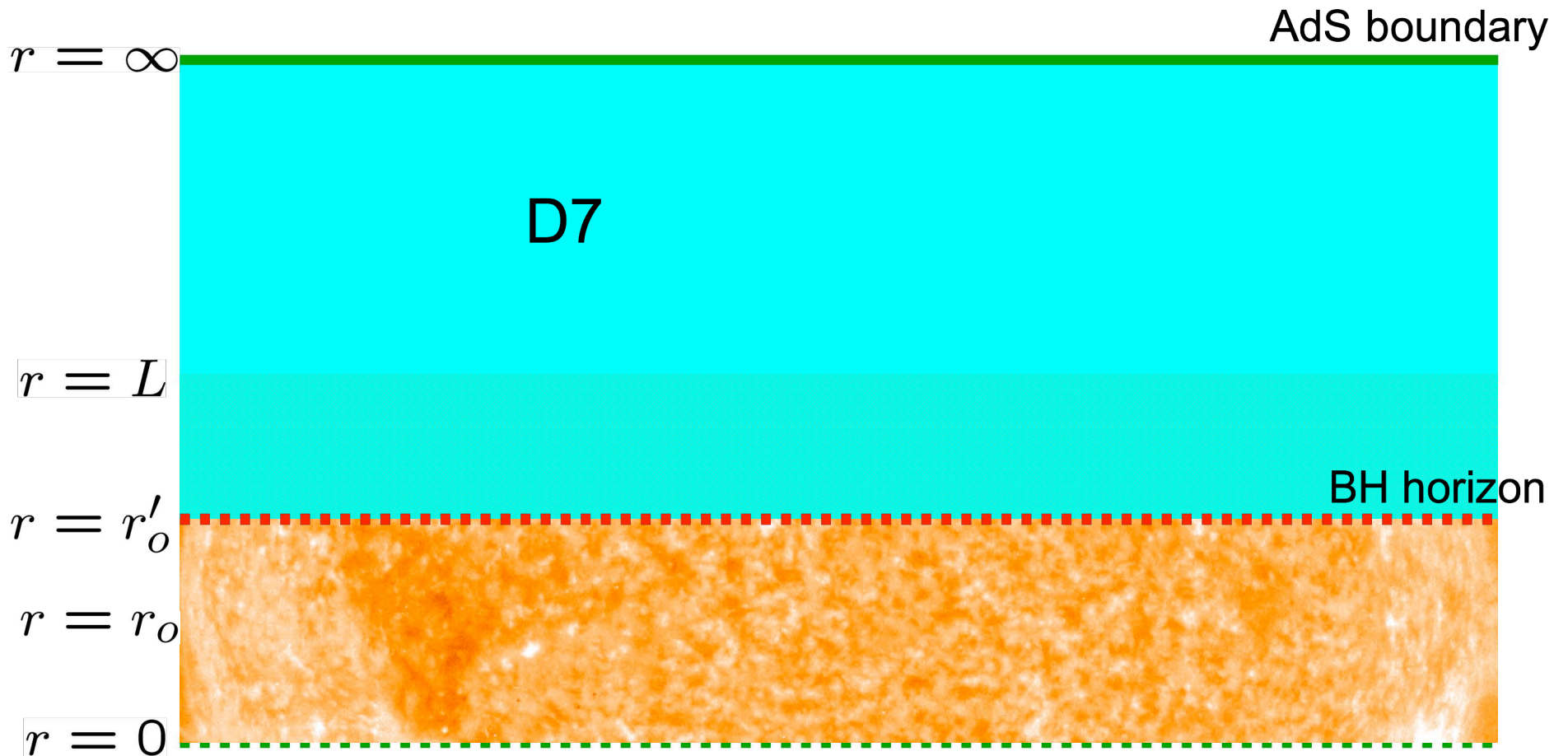
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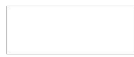
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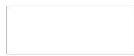
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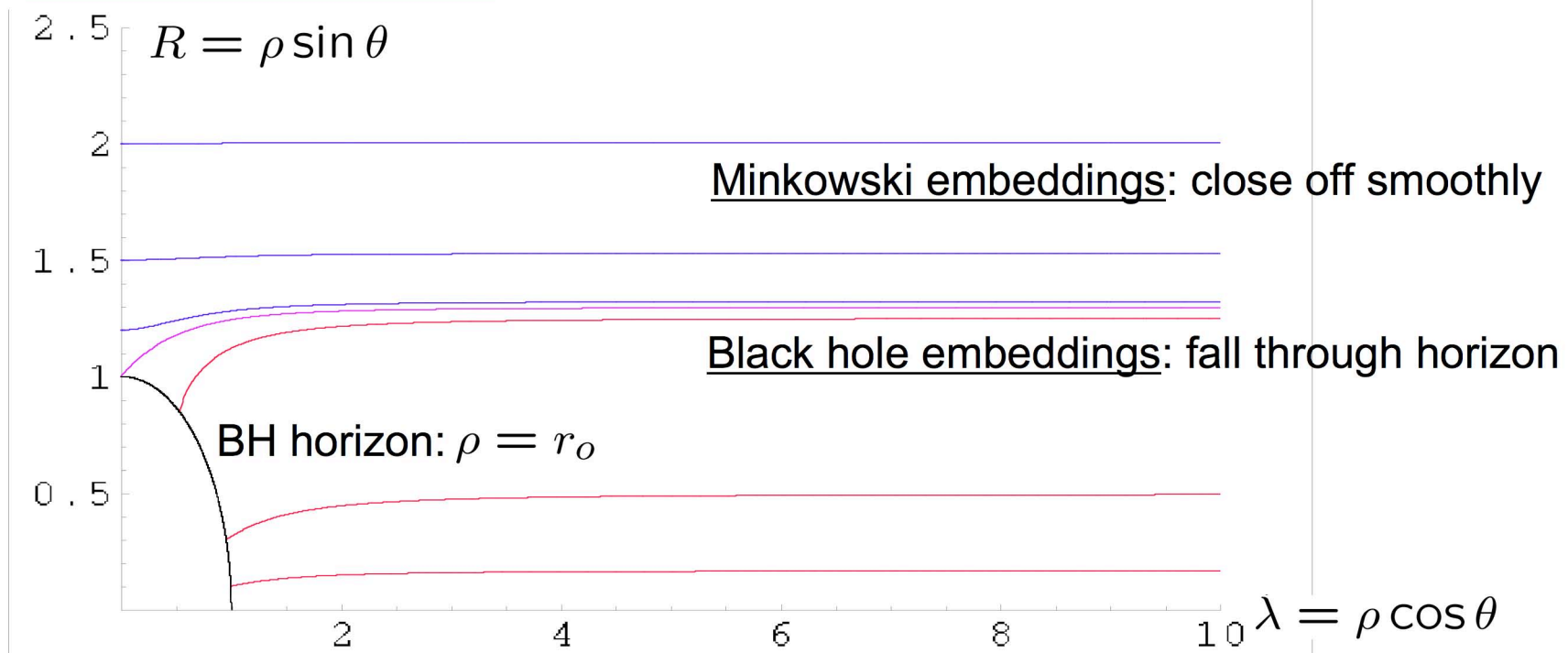
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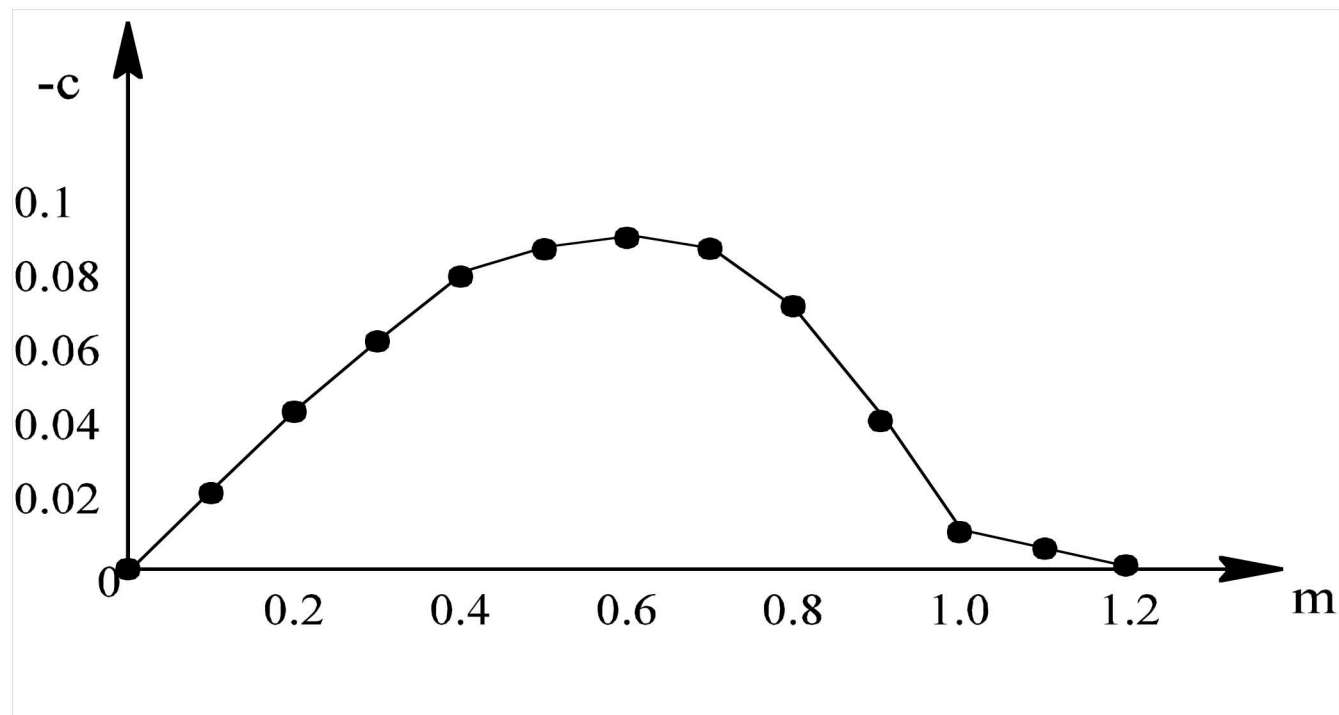
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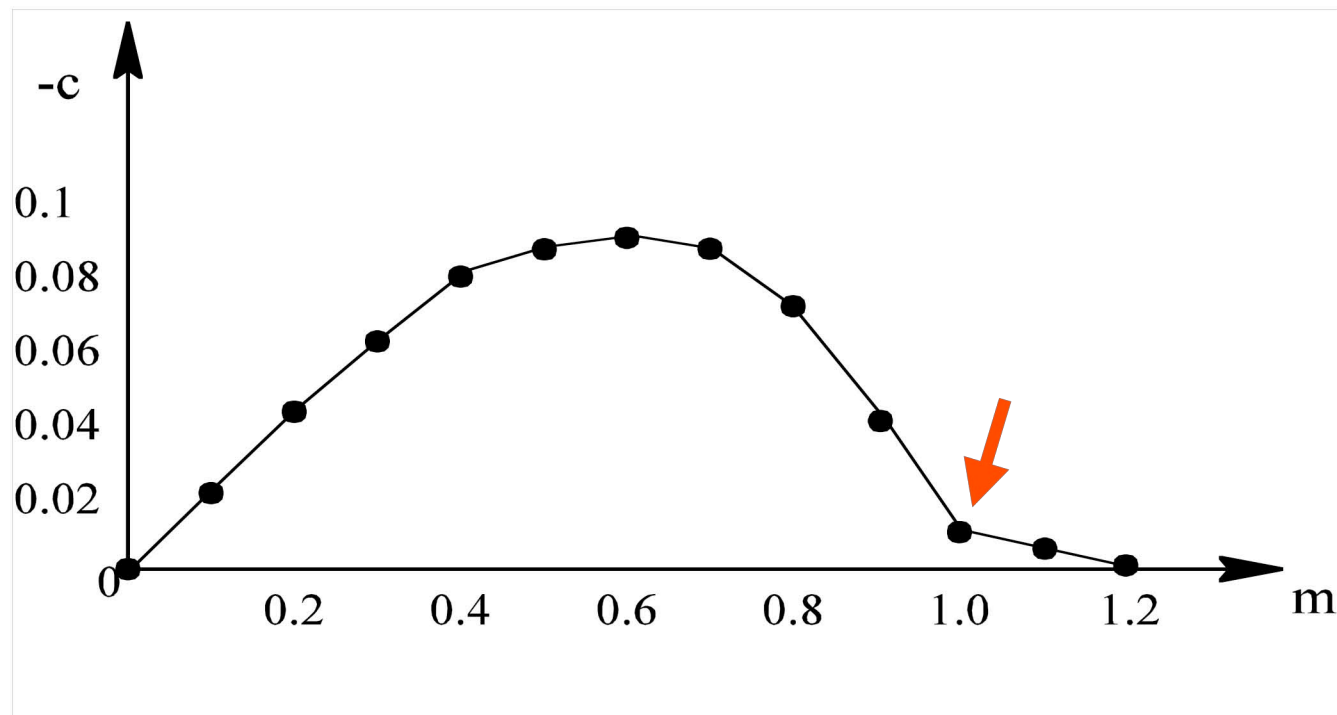
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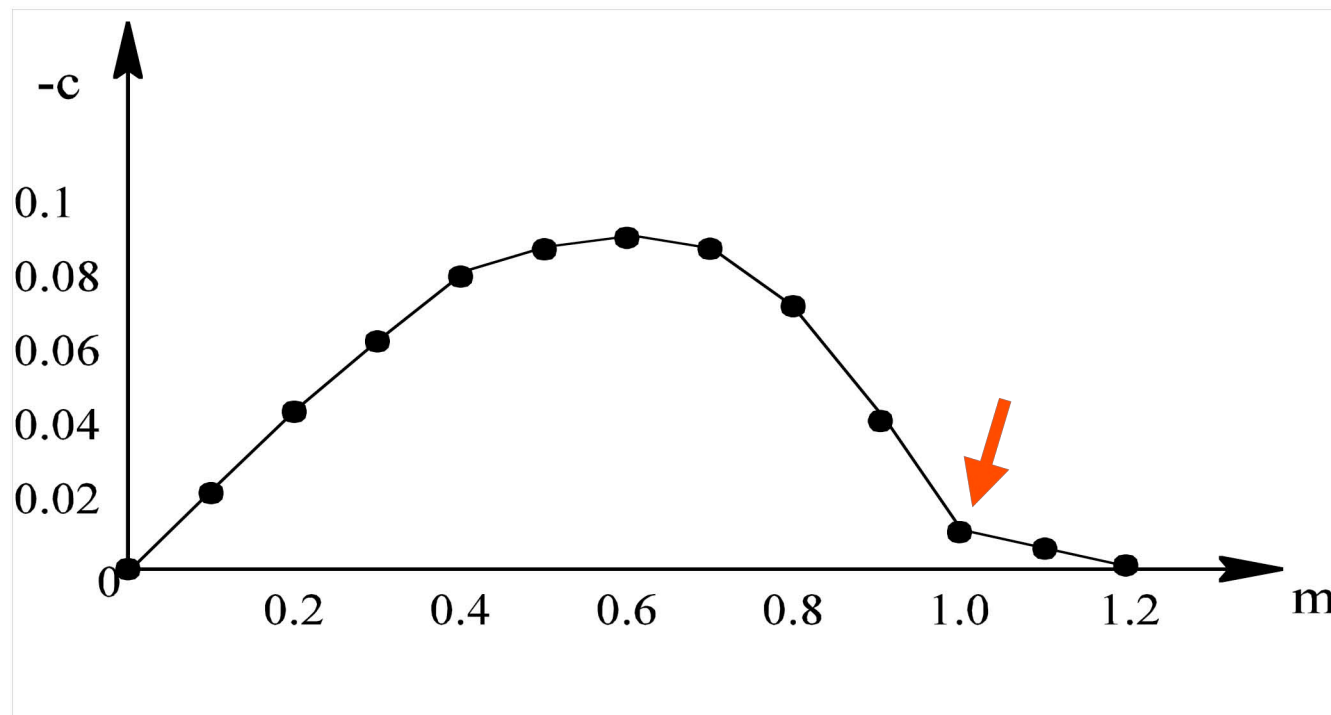
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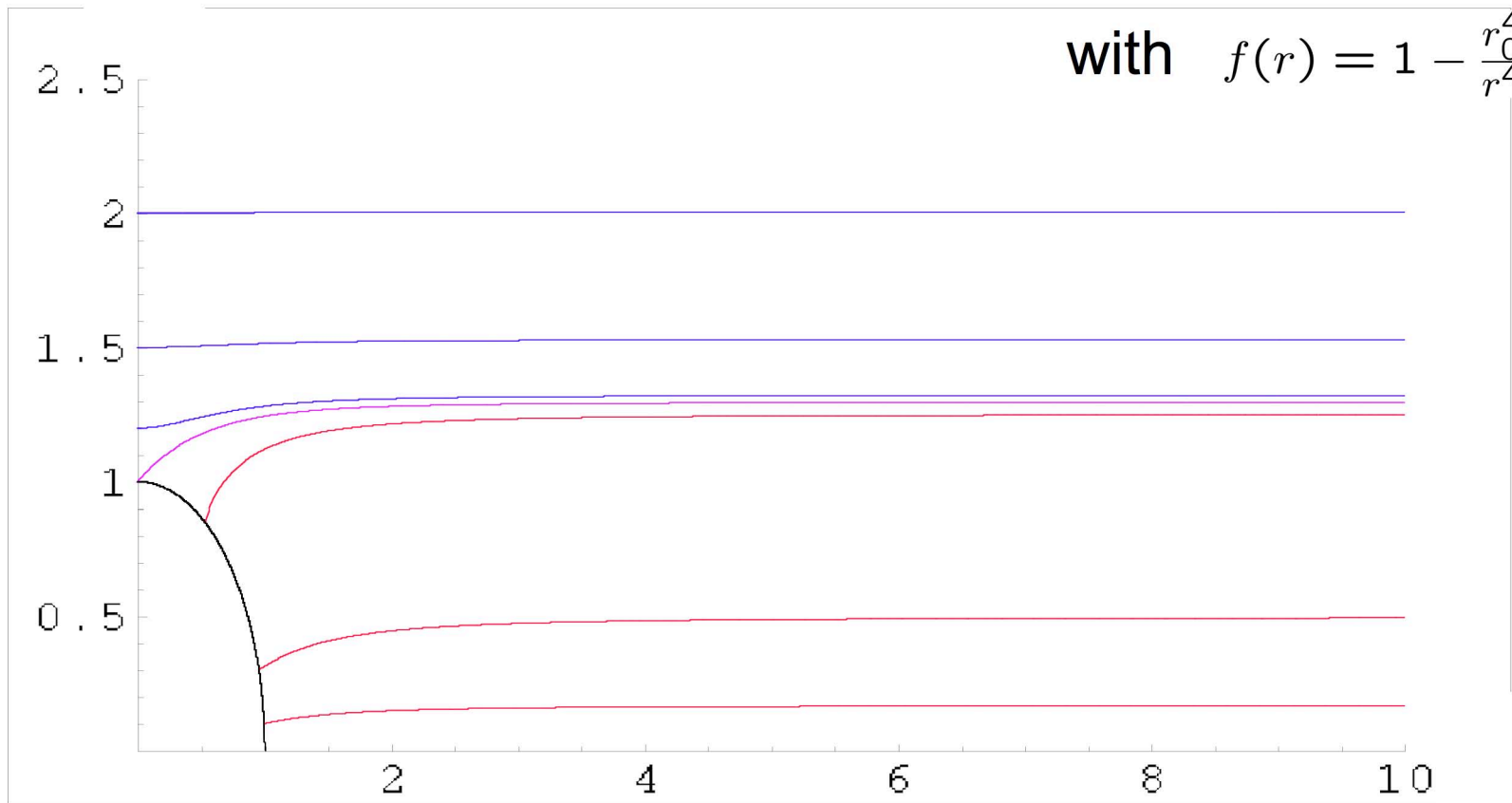
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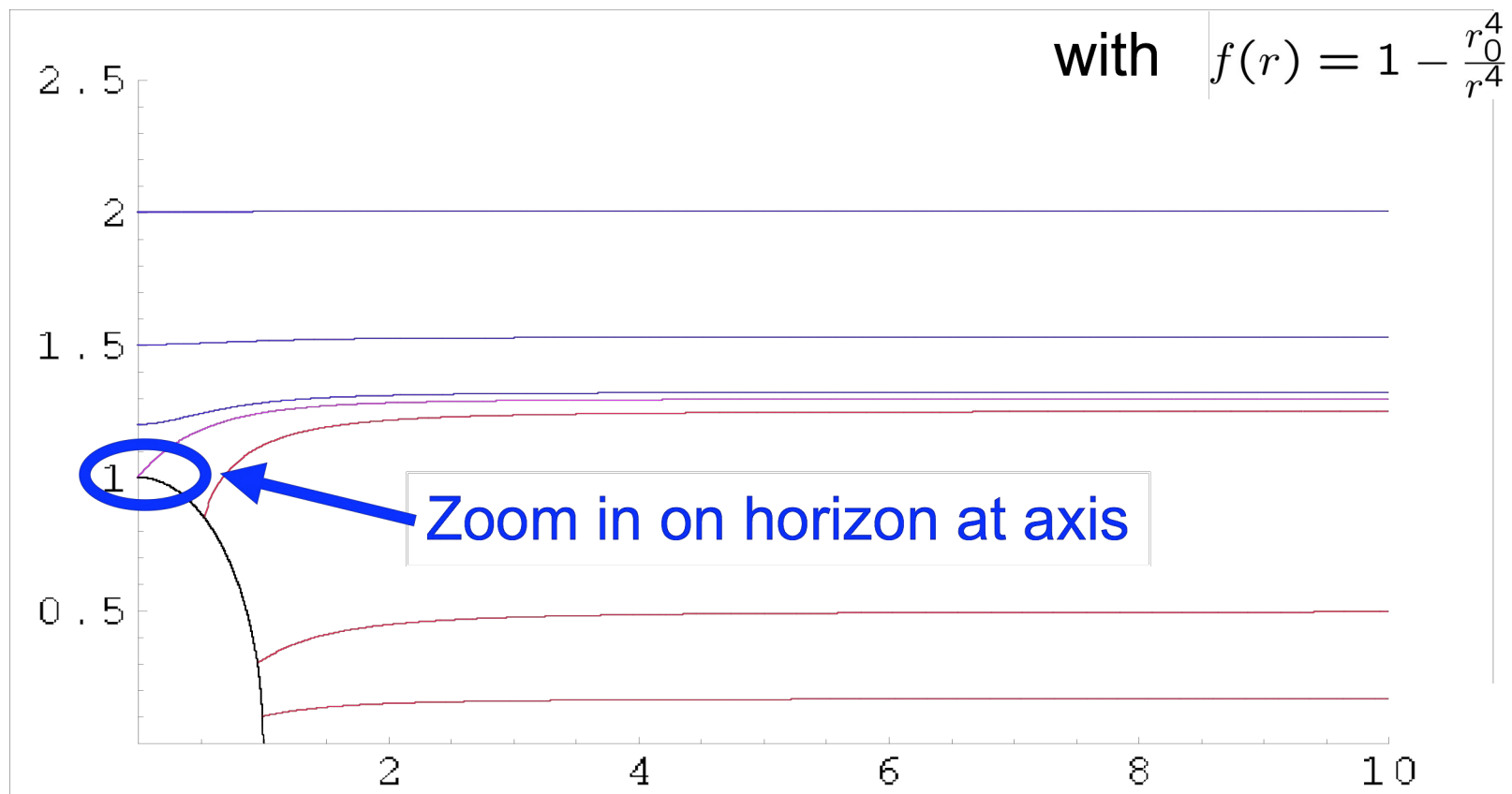
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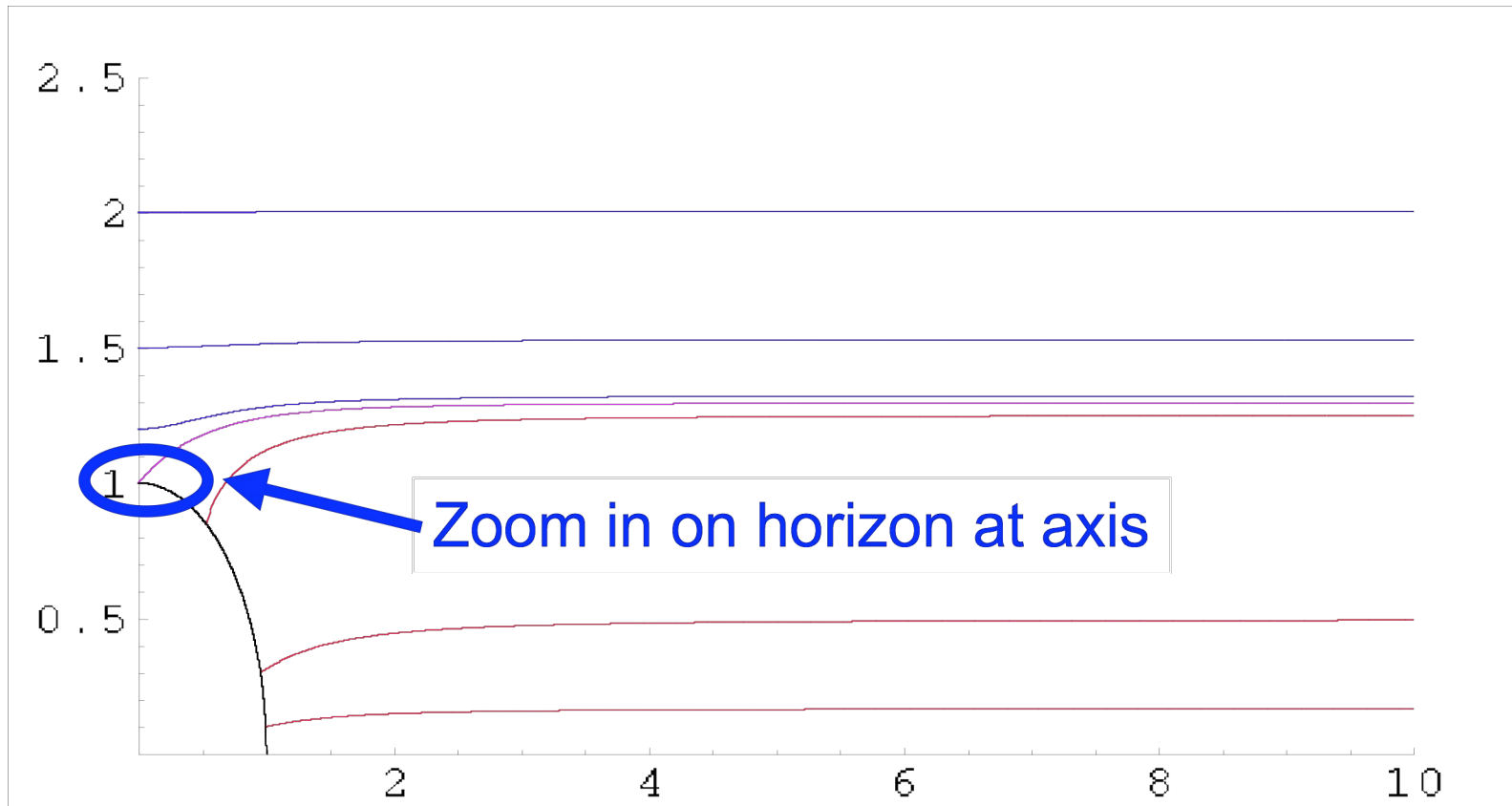


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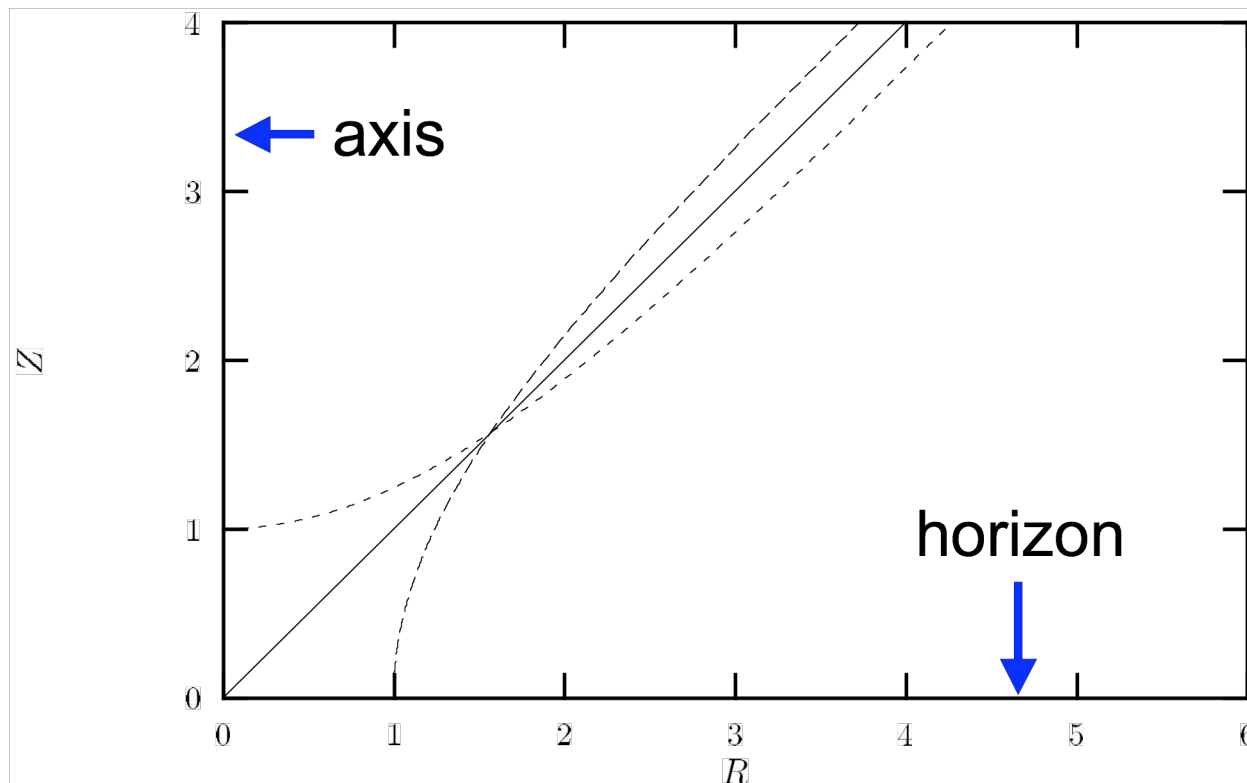
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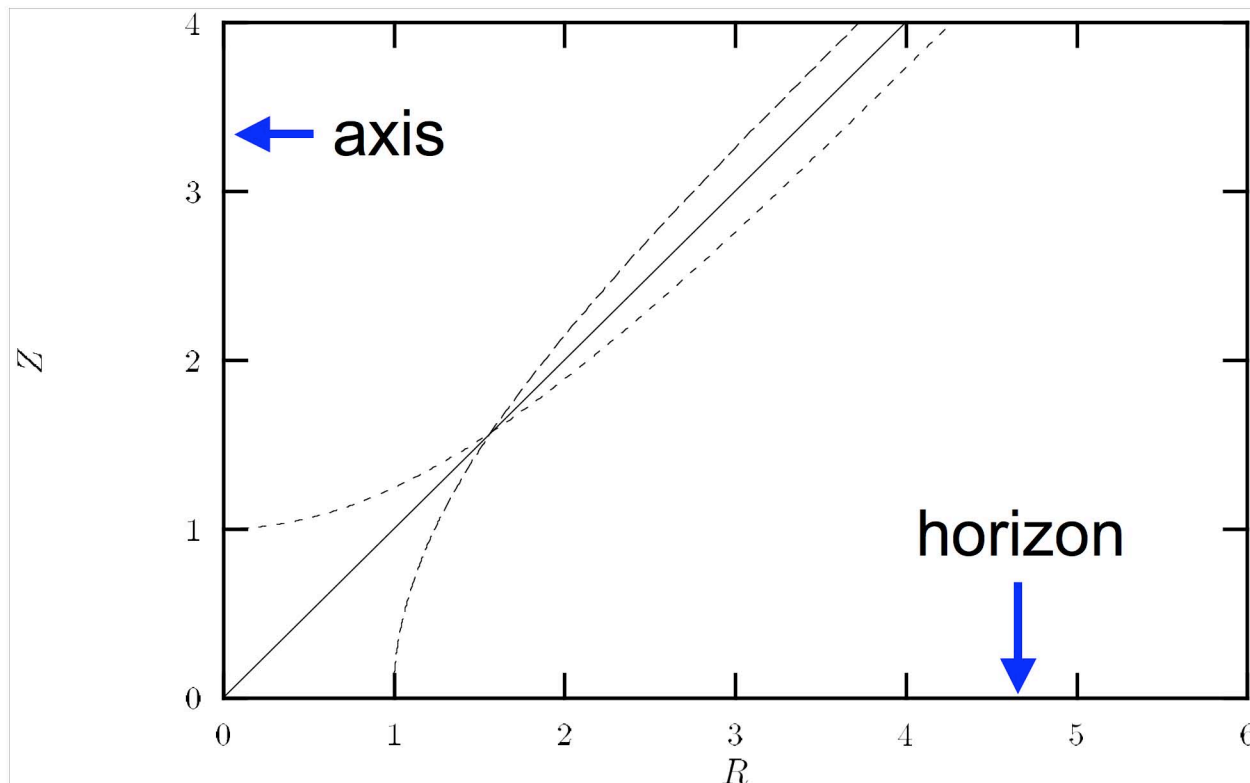
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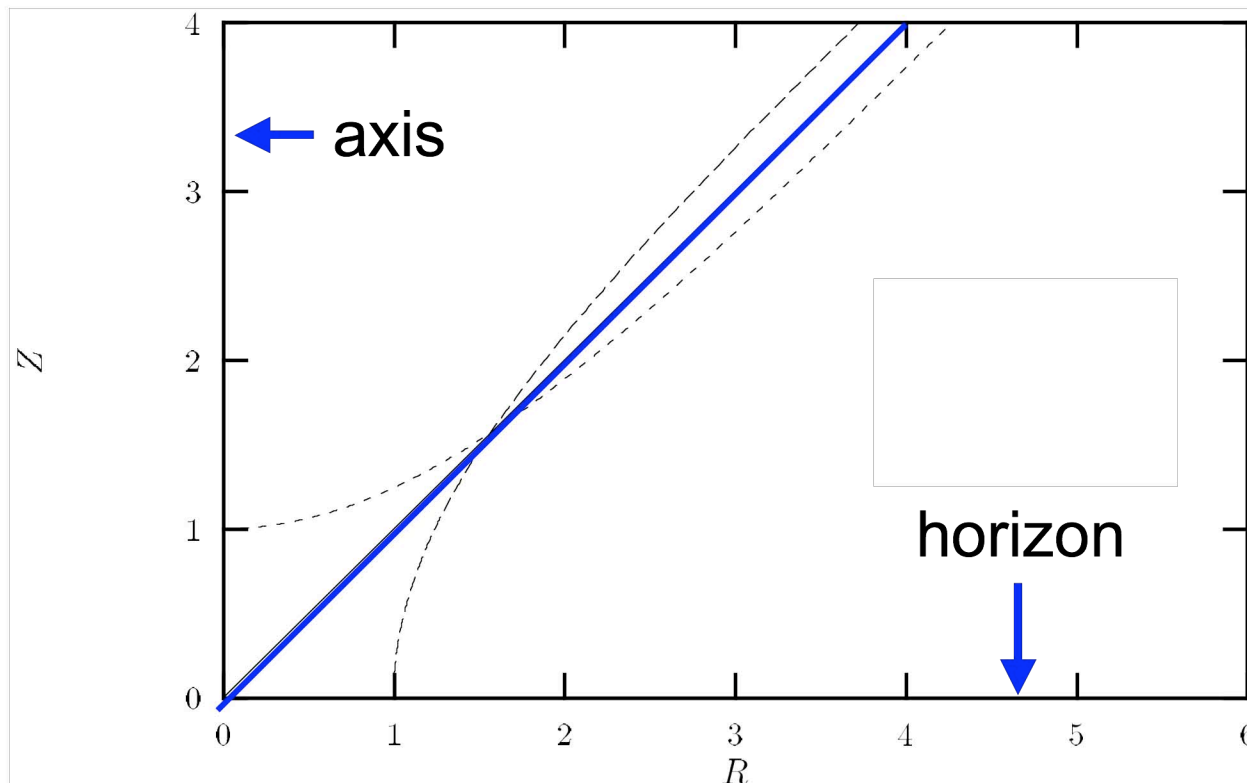




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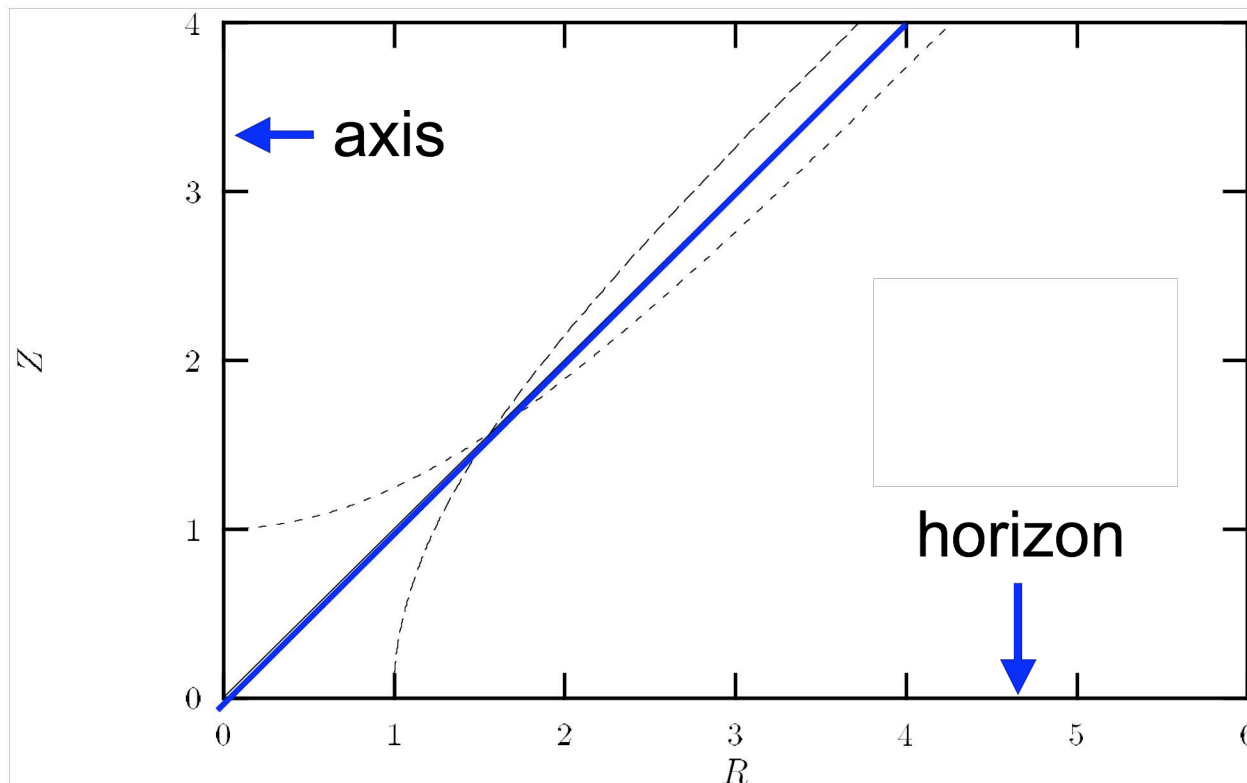
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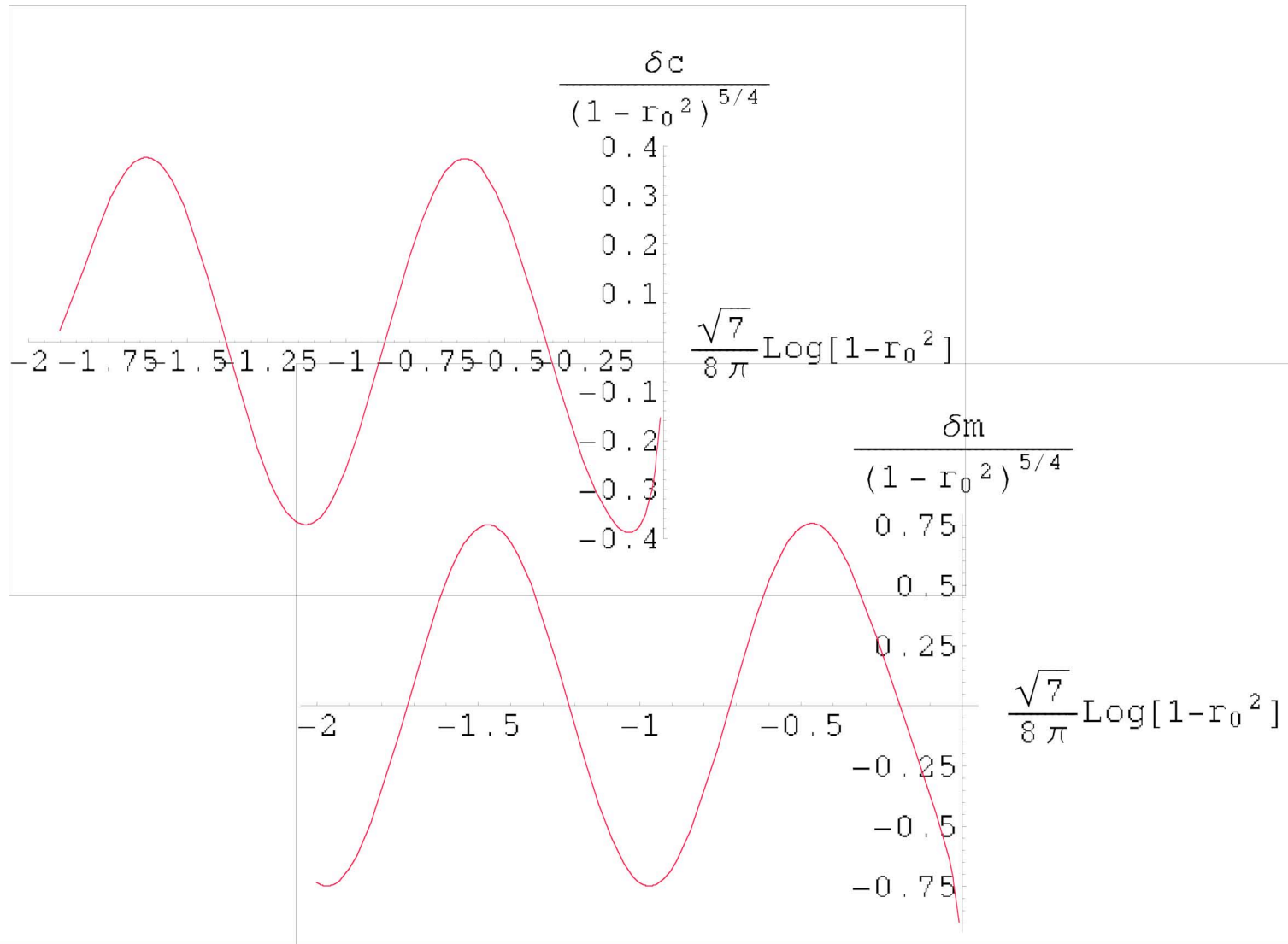
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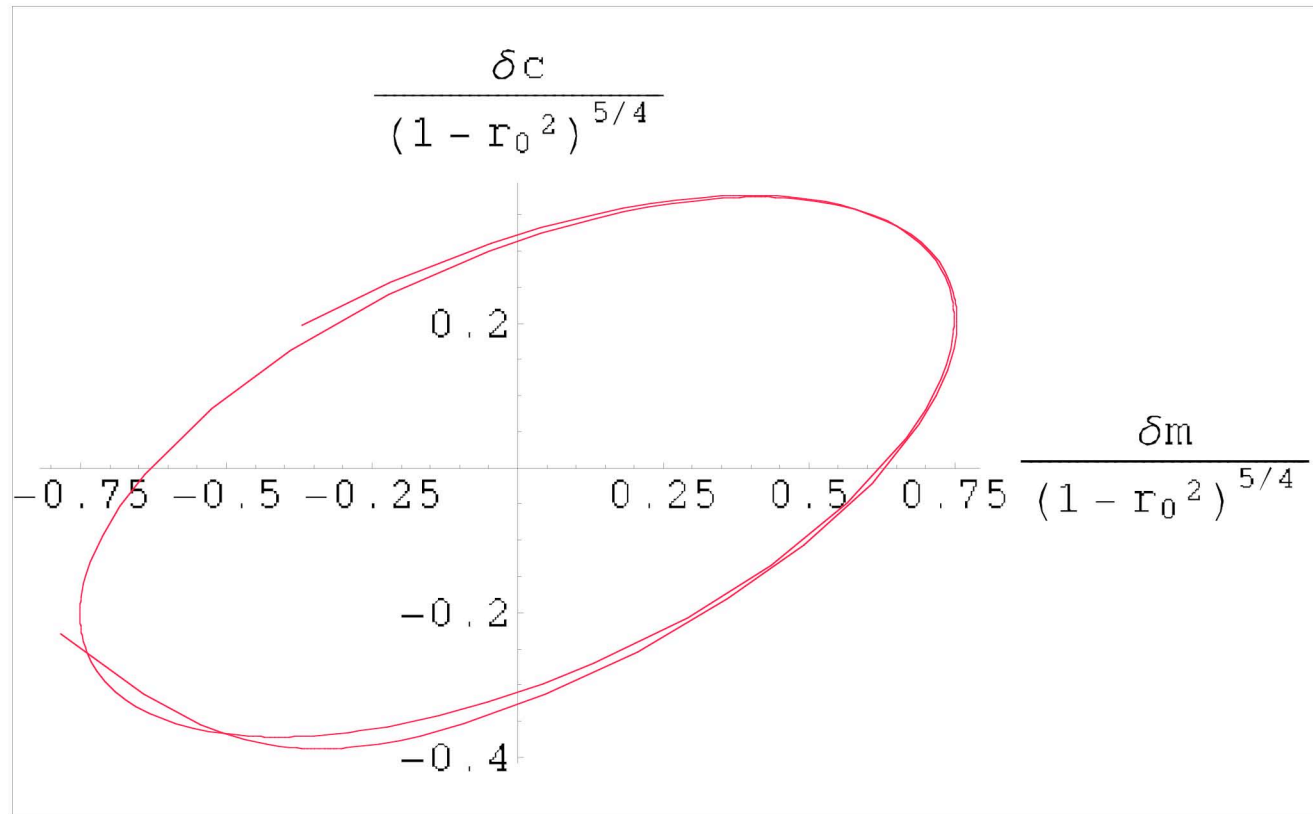
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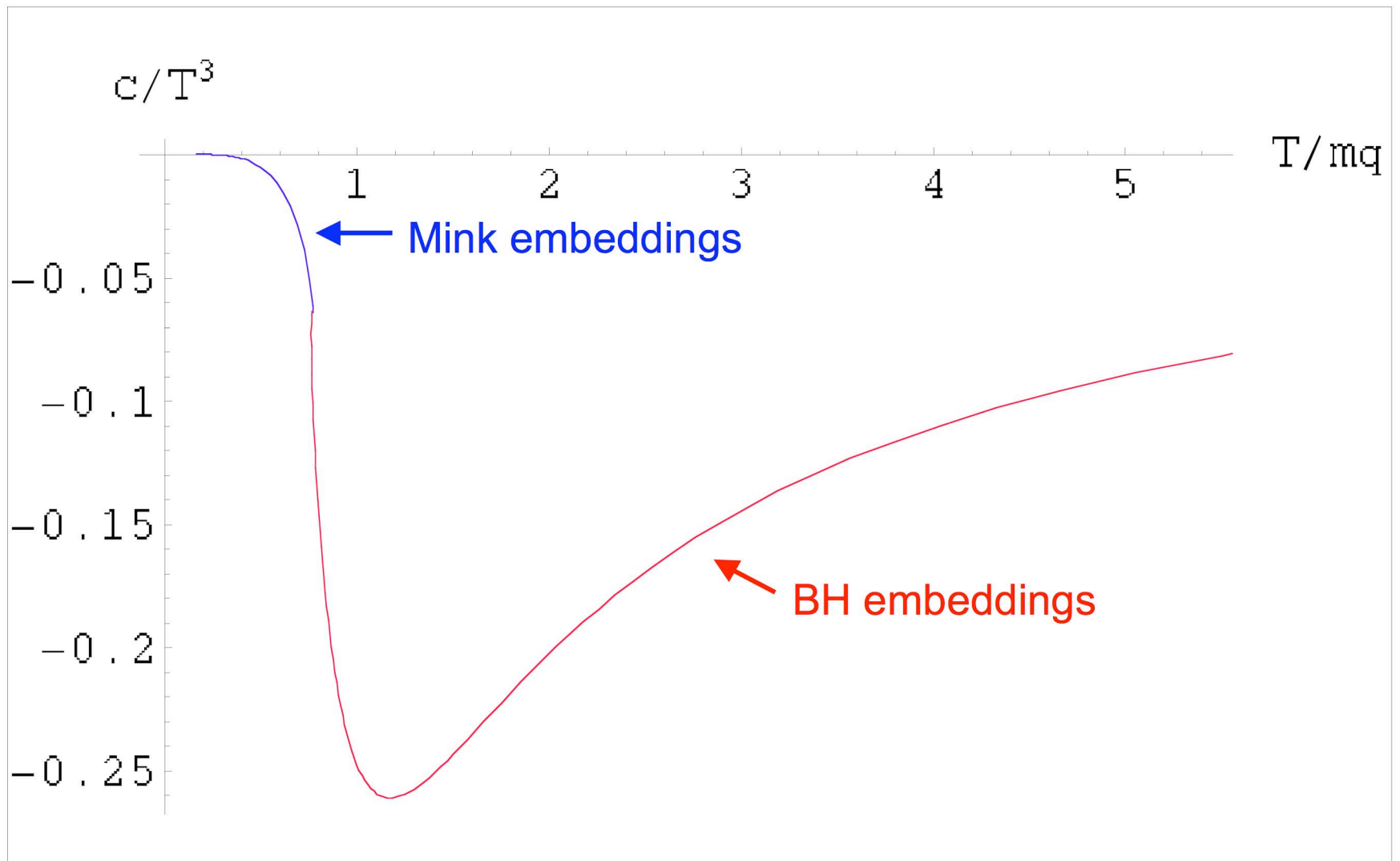
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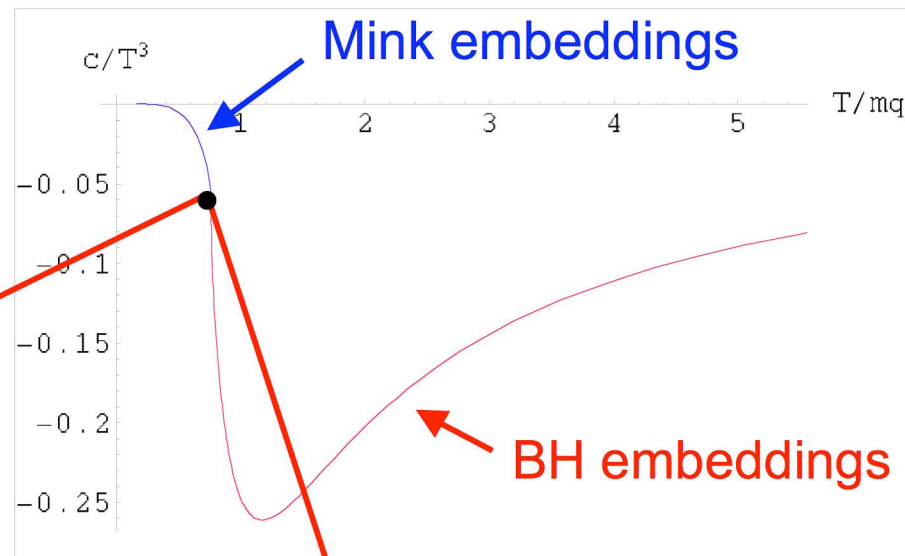
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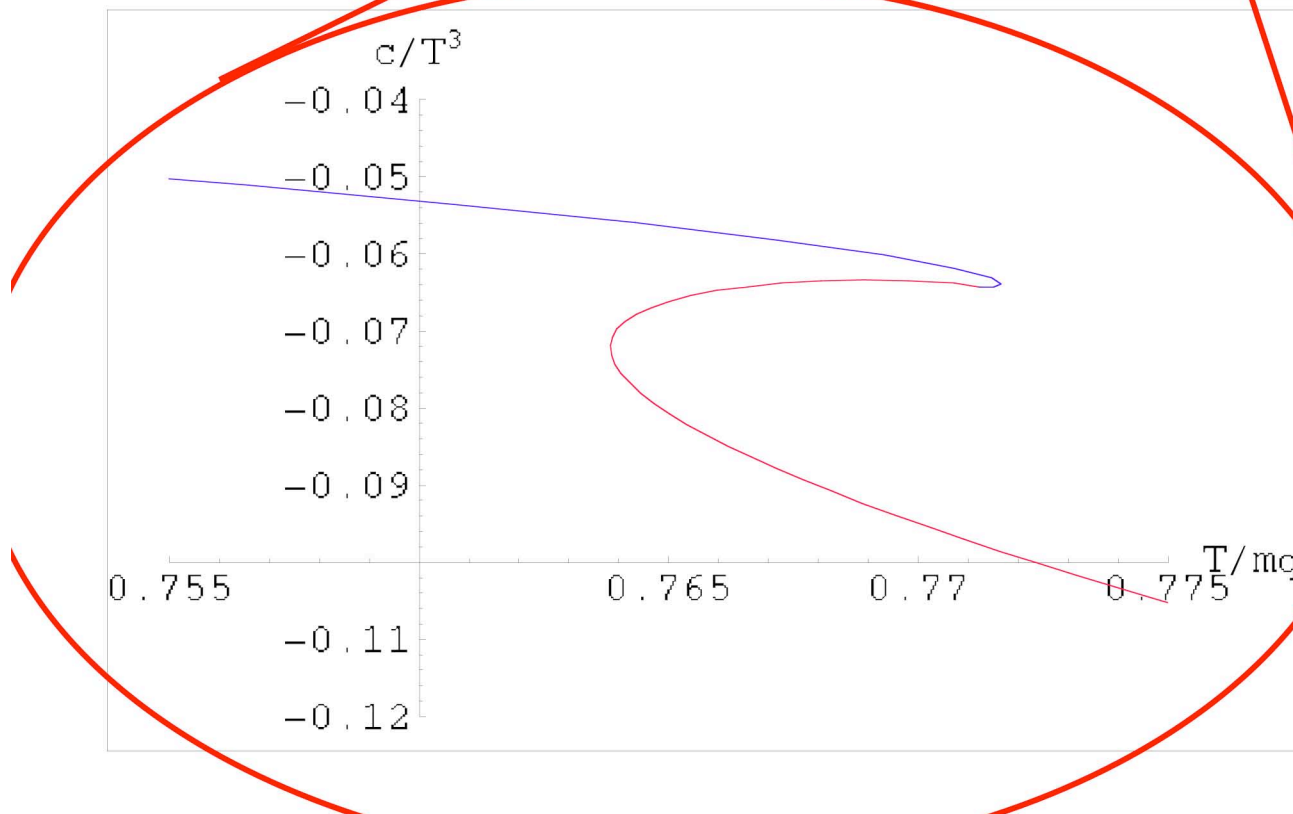
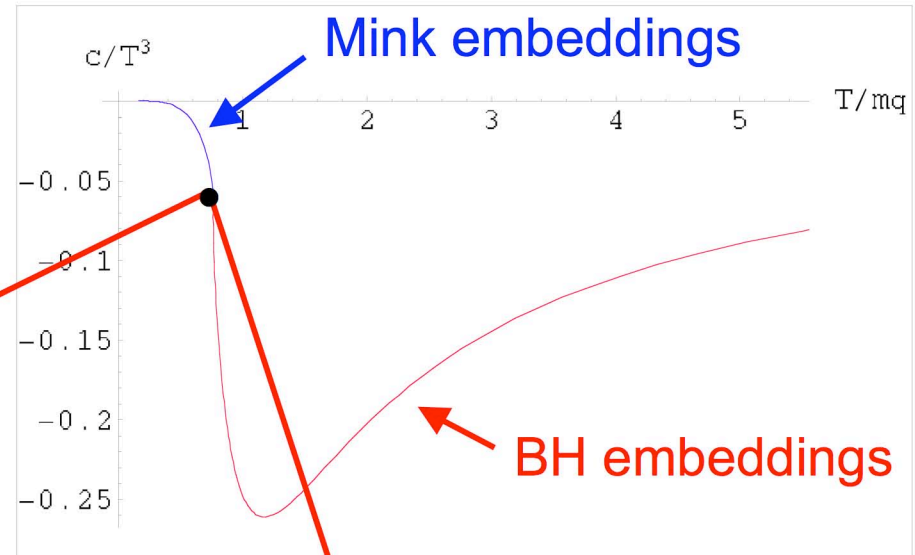
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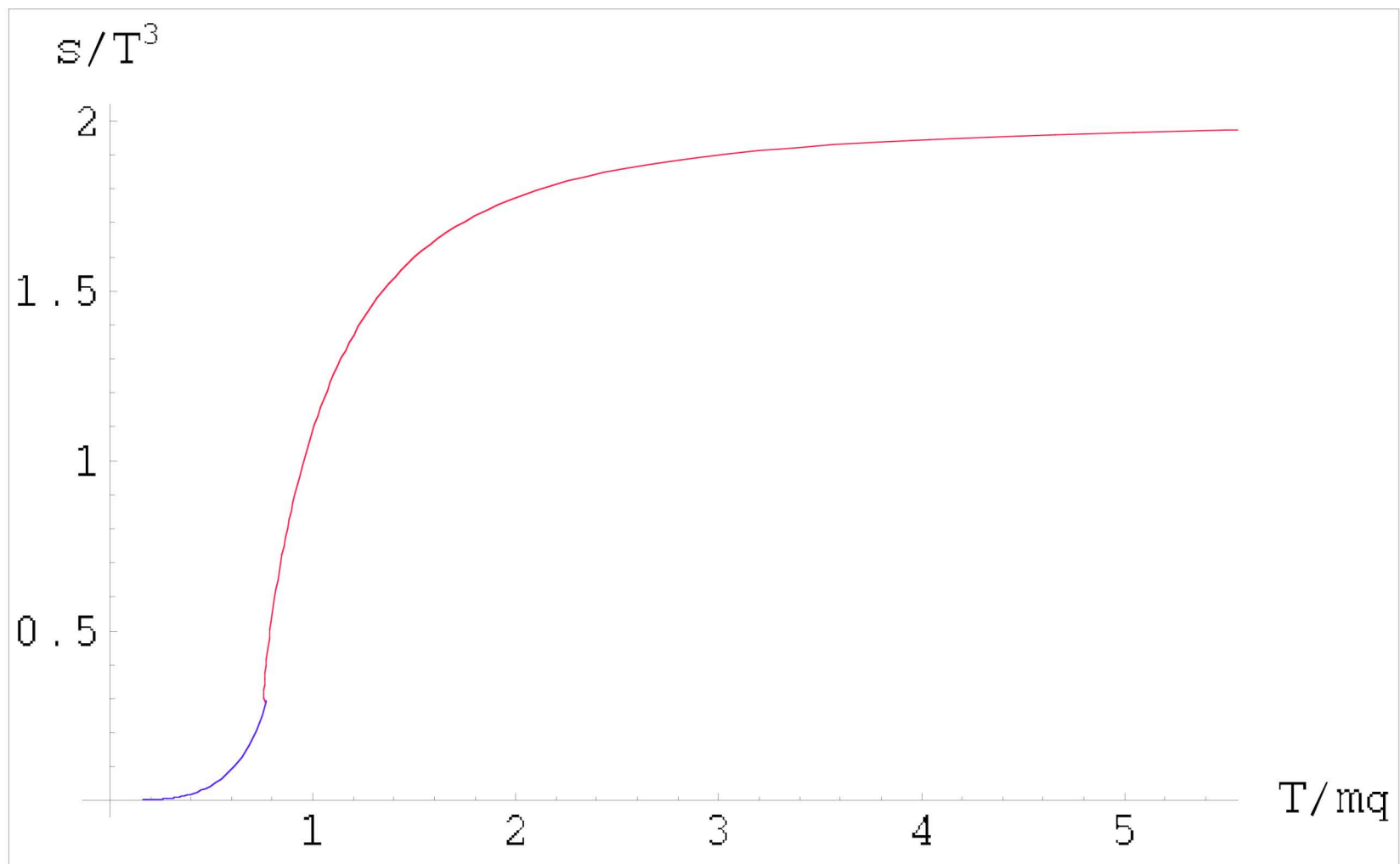
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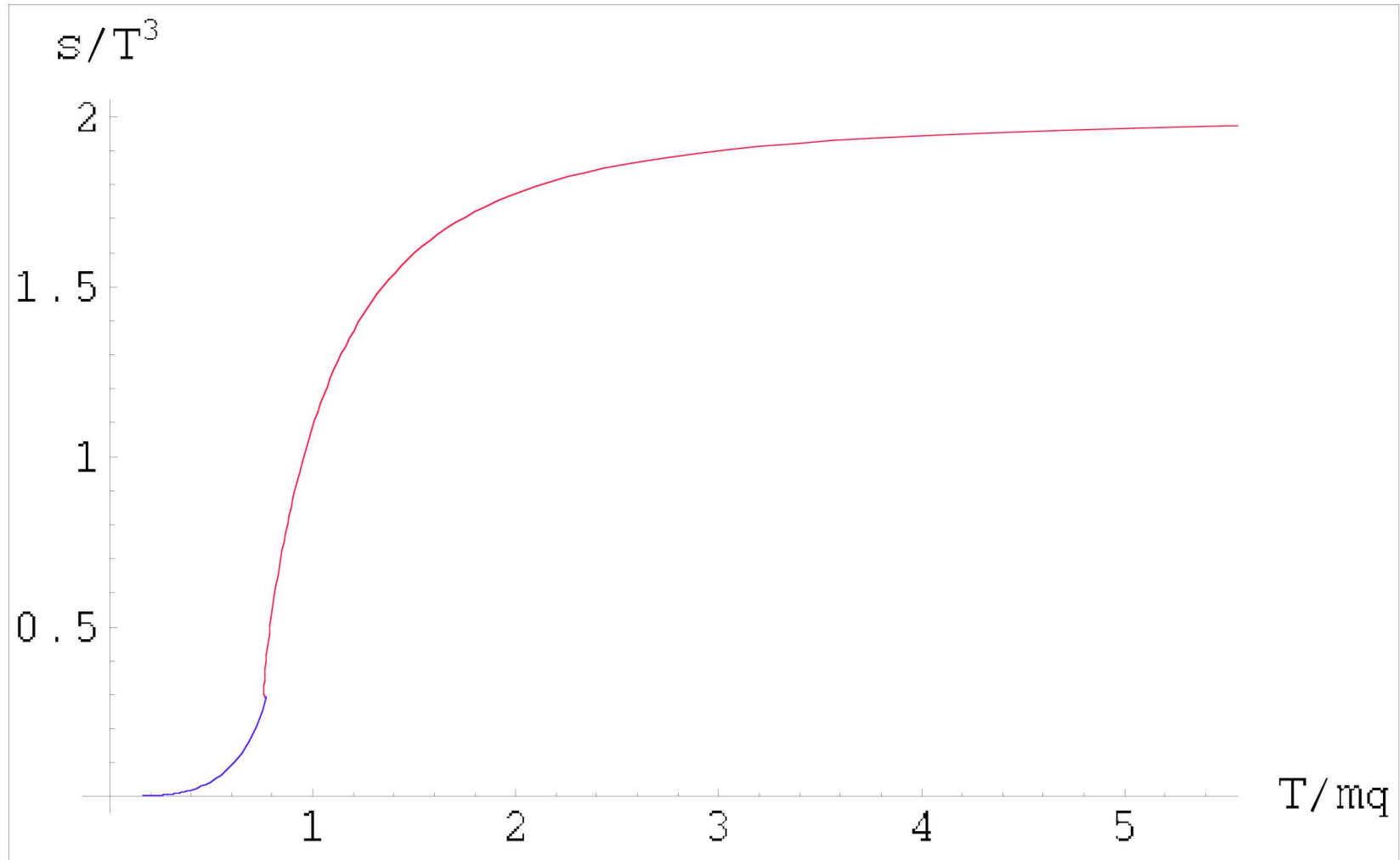
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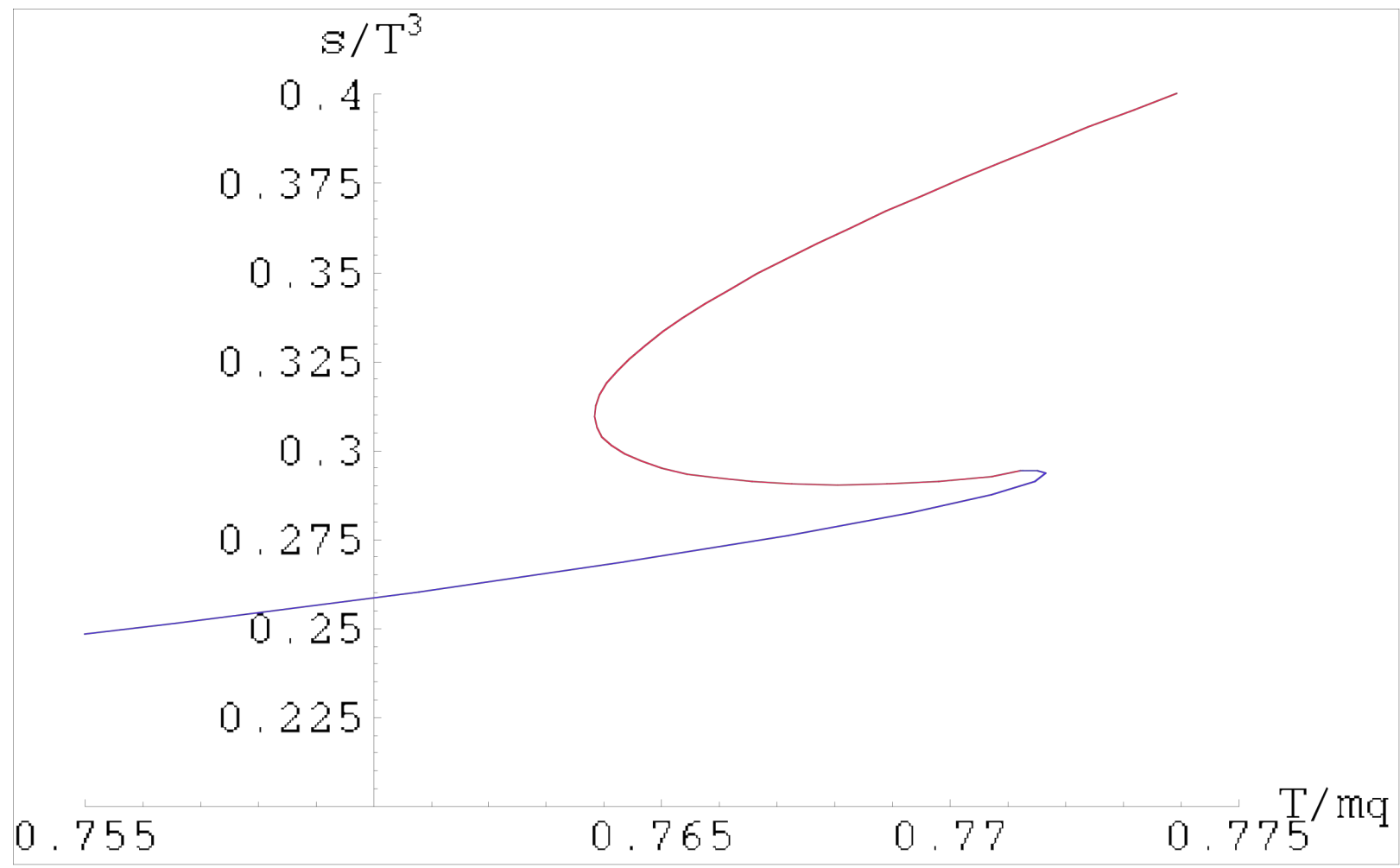
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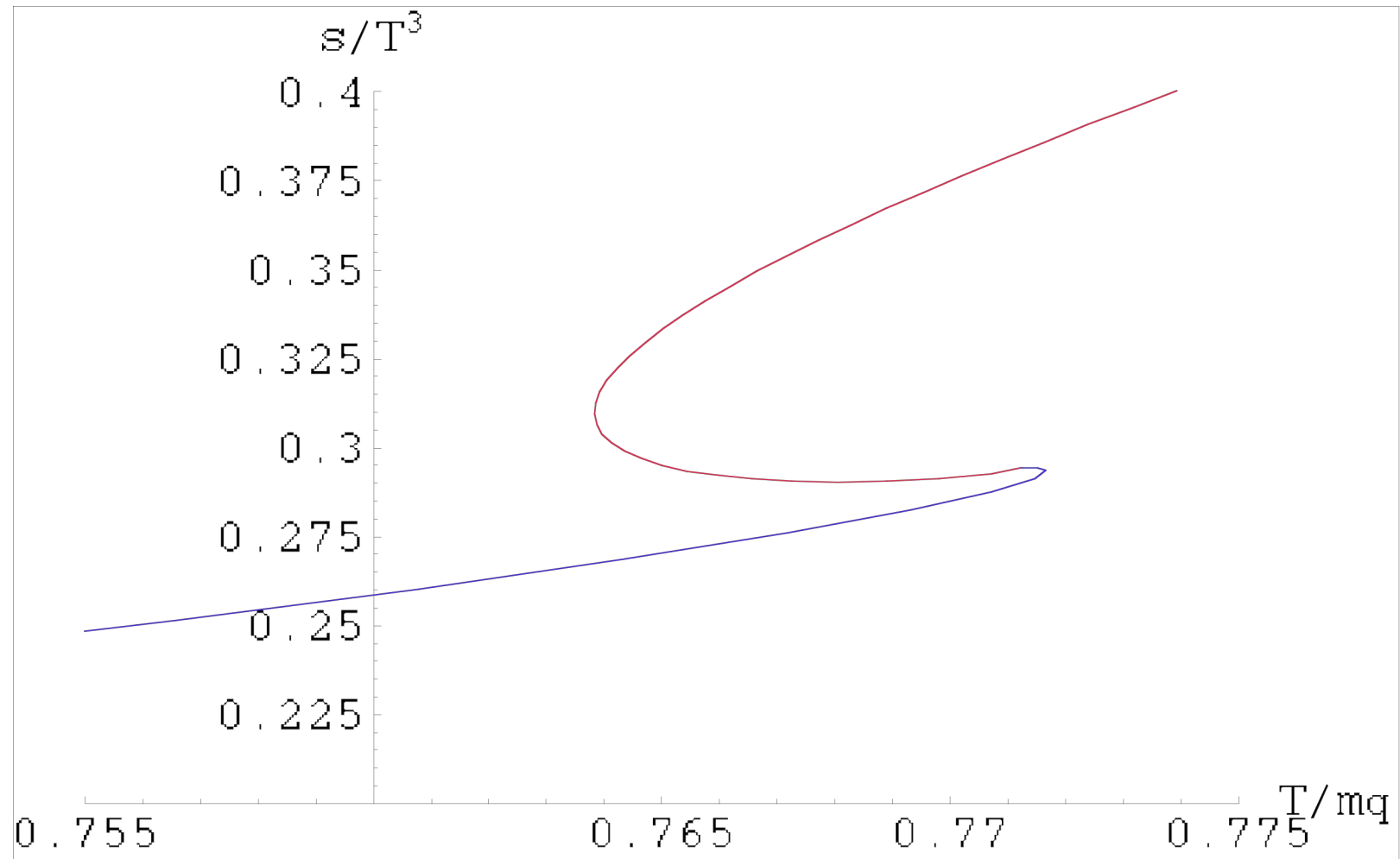
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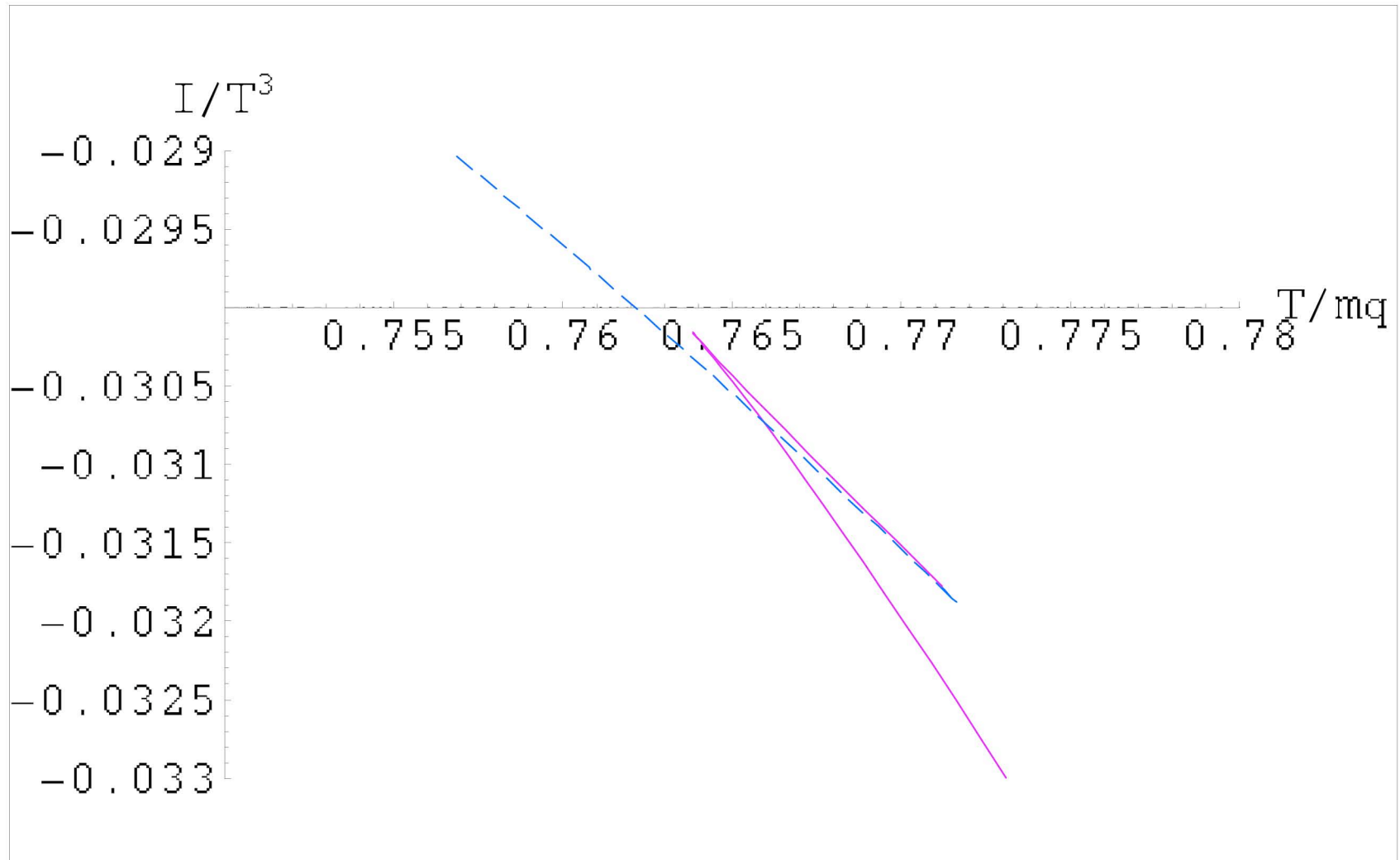




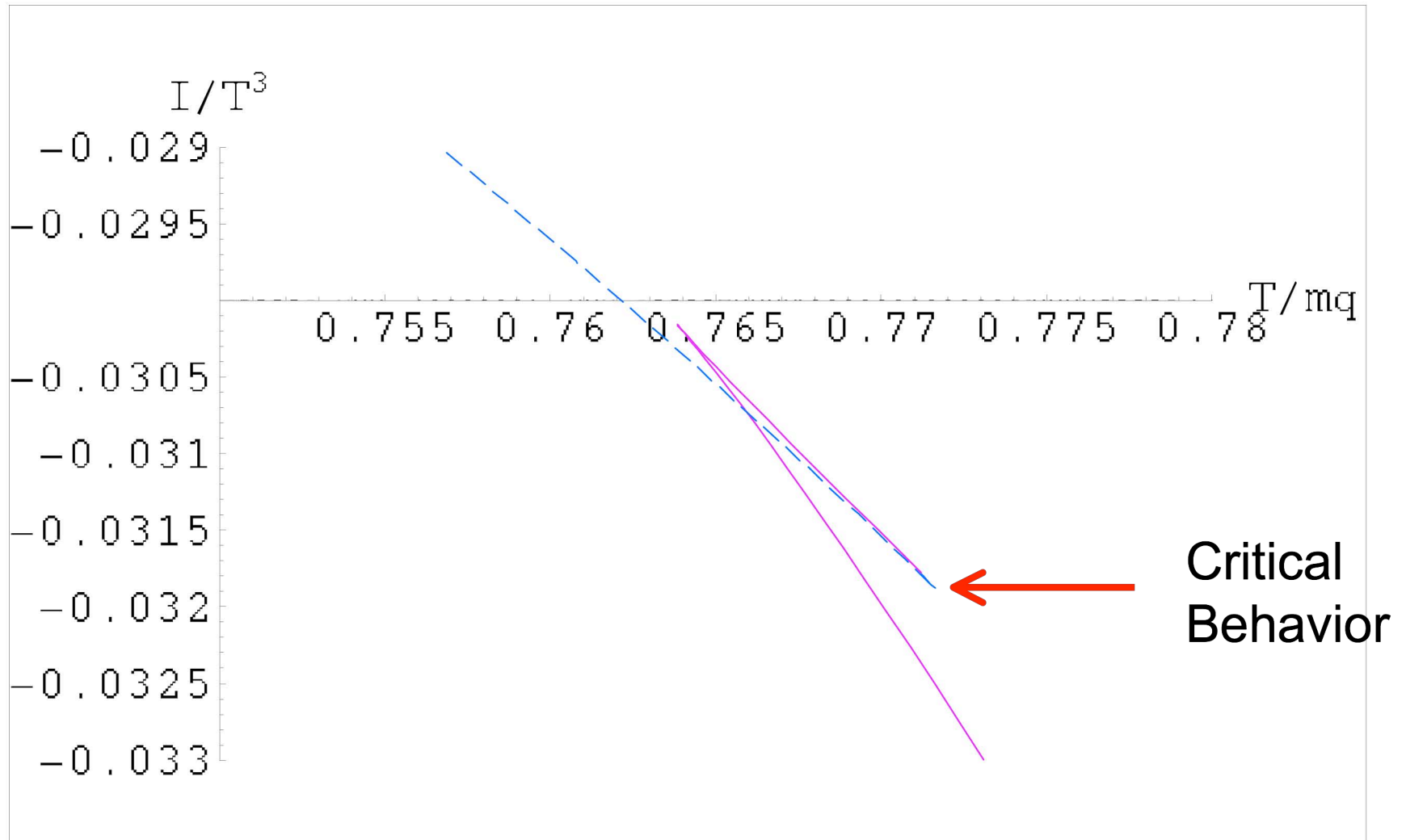
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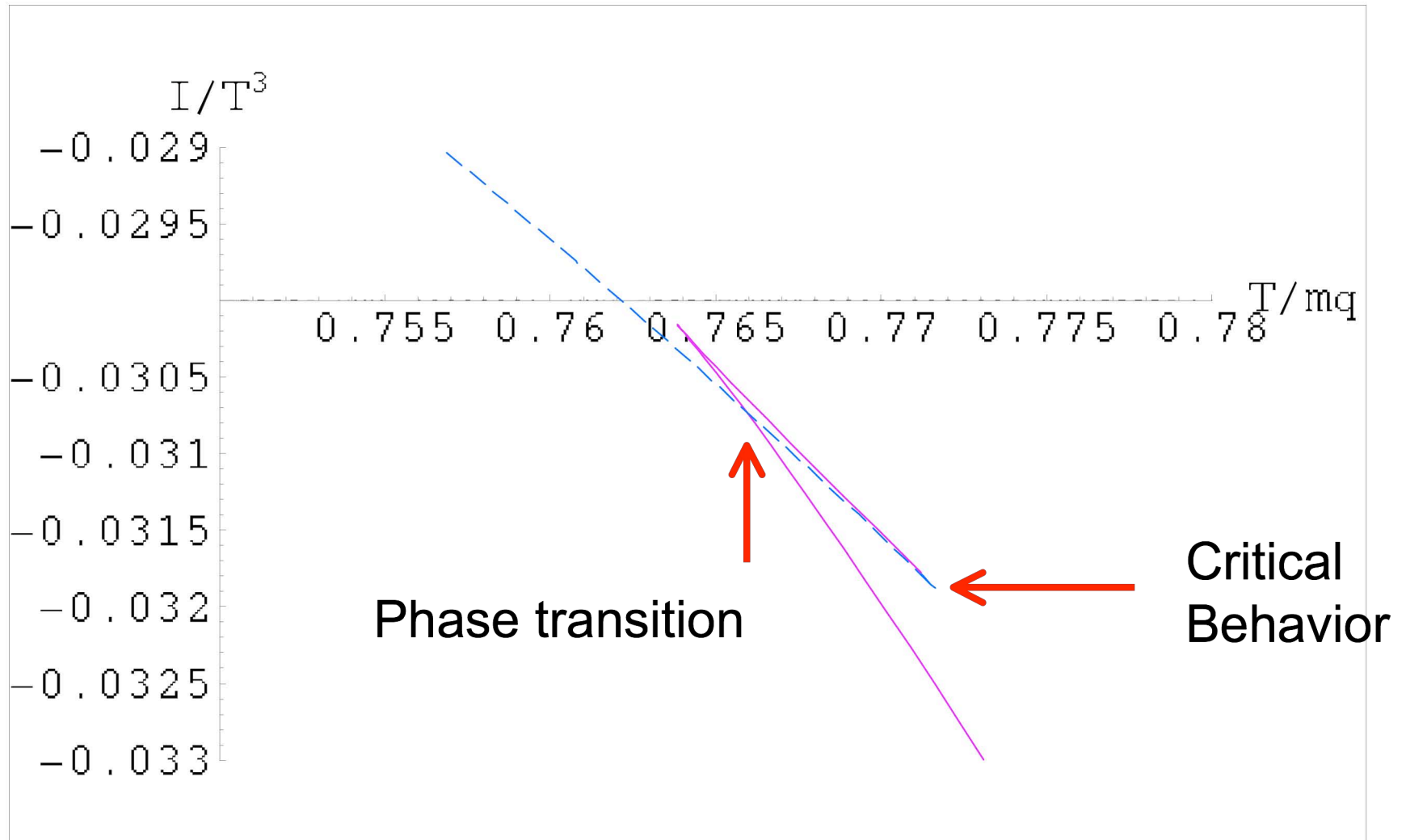
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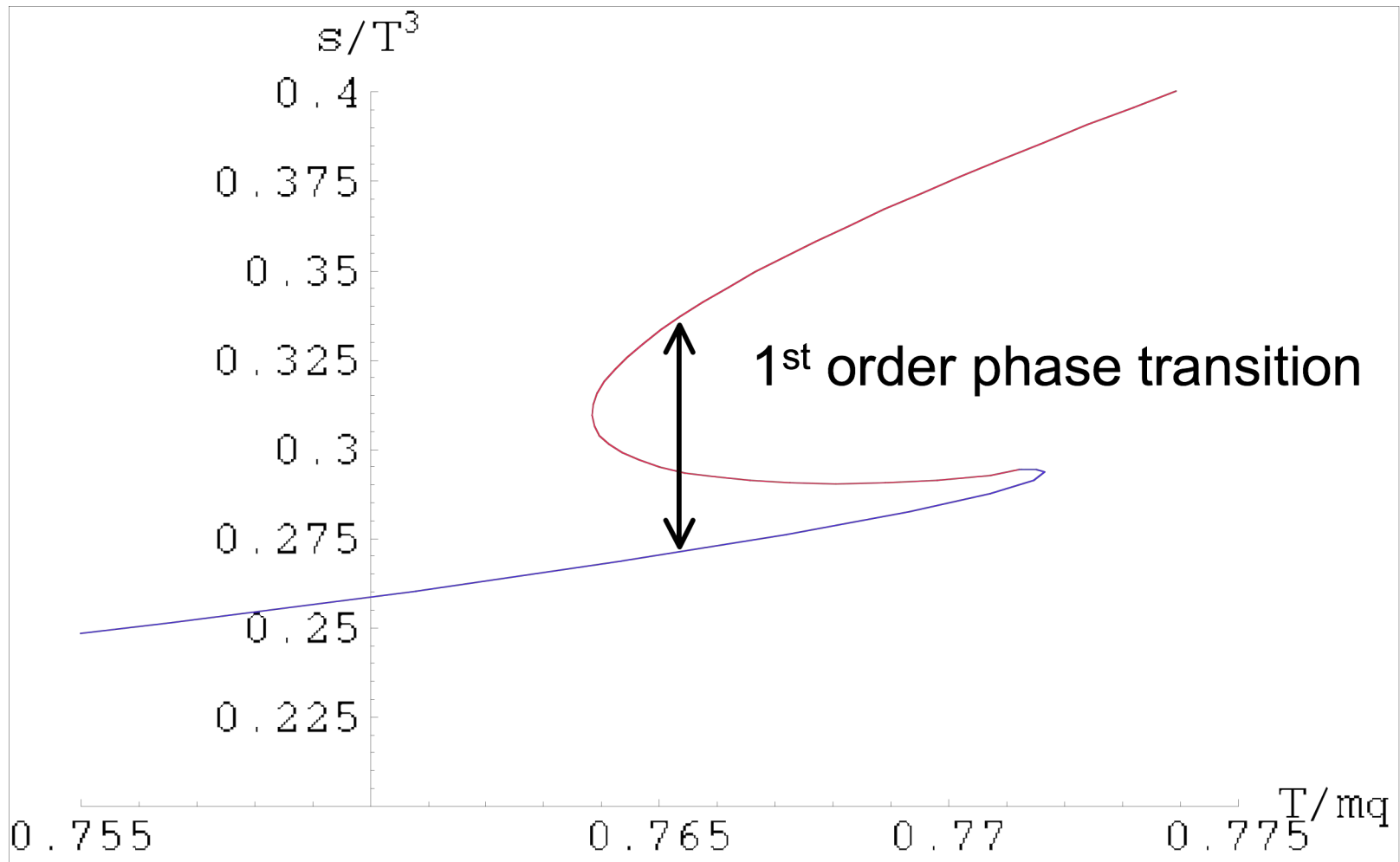


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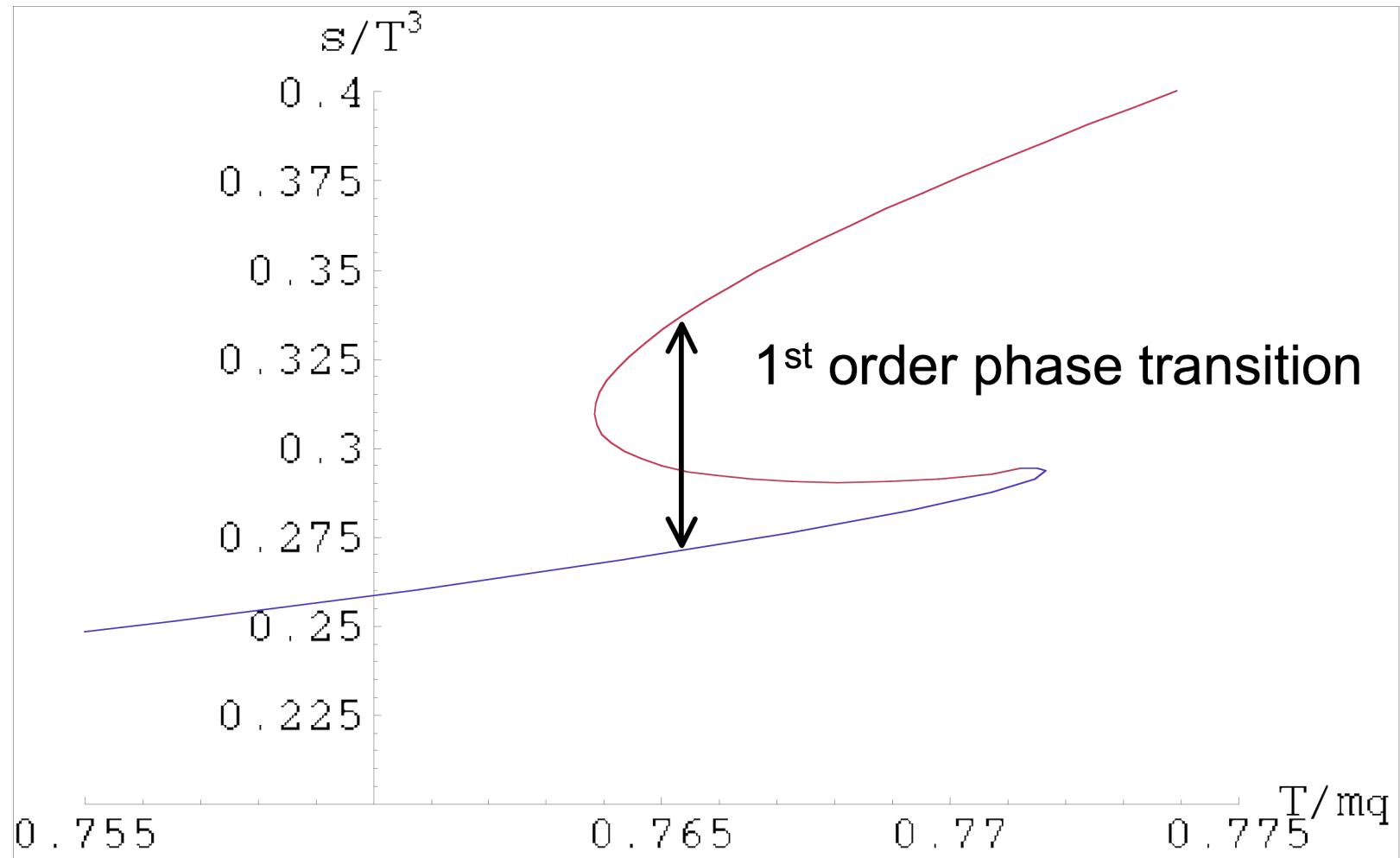


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## Conclusions/future directions:

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→ universal feature for many gauge/gravity dualities with fundamental matter
- first order phase transition also seems universal
- probing self-similar region??
- how robust are these features?  
→ finite  $N_f/N_c$ ? Hawking radiation?
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