

Open quantum systems II

Non-Markovian open quantum systems

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Background



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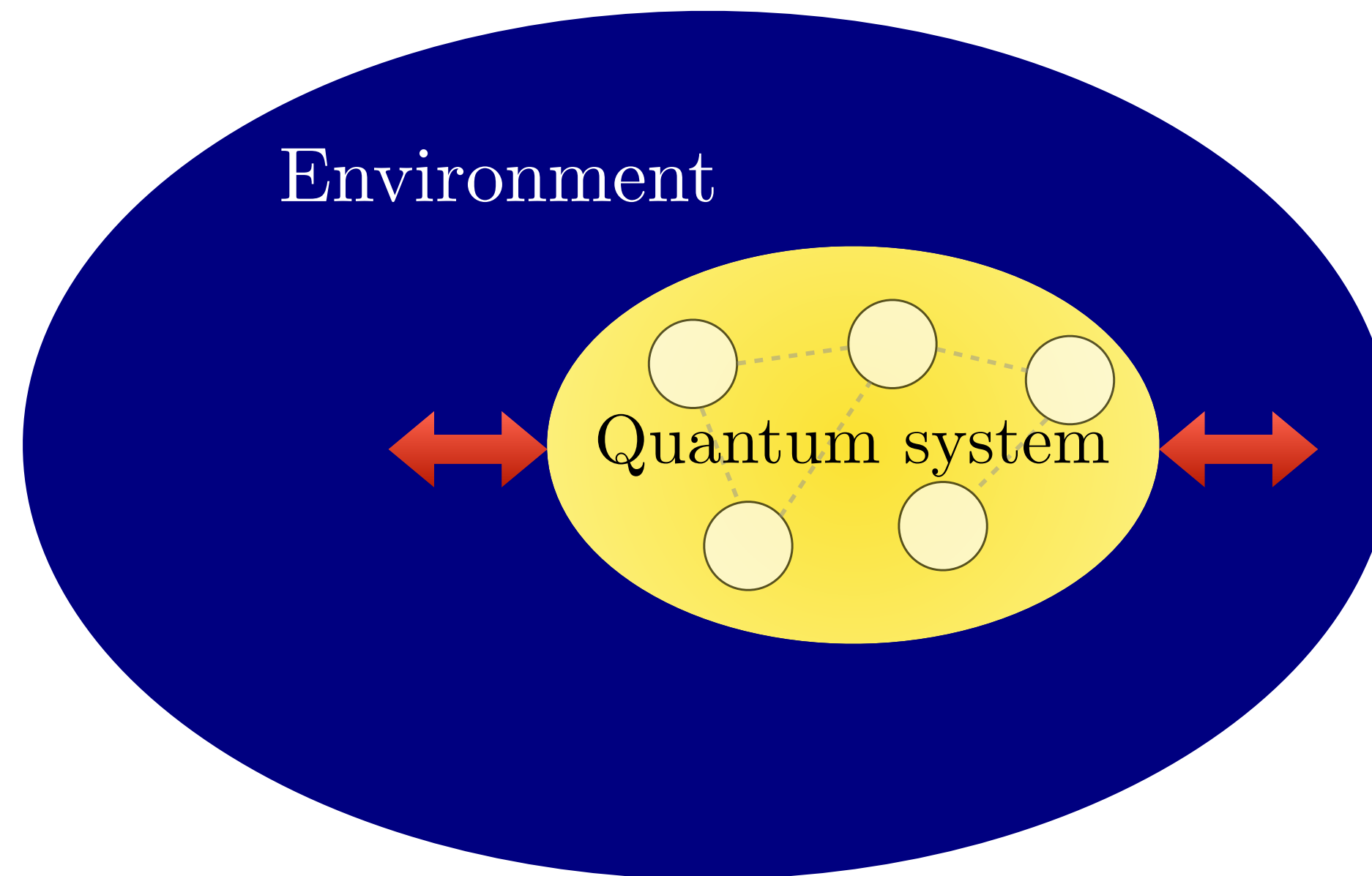
- Quantum computing
- Quantum machine learning
- Open quantum systems
- Quantum thermodynamics

Outline

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- Open quantum systems - Markov approximation.
- Markovianity in classical stochastic processes.
- Quantum non-Markovianity - divisibility, distinguishability.
- Example: Spontaneous emission of two-level system.
- Collision models.

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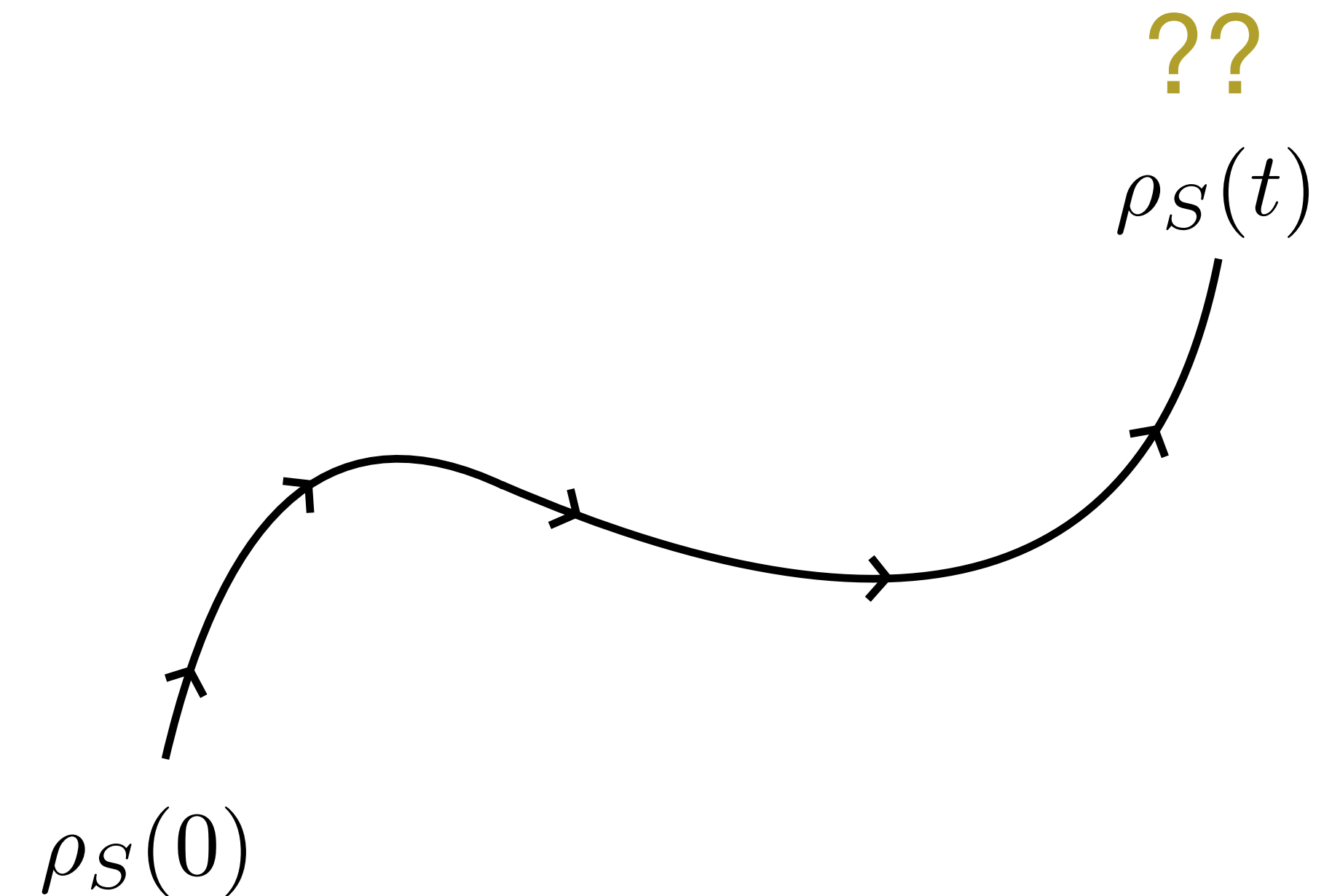
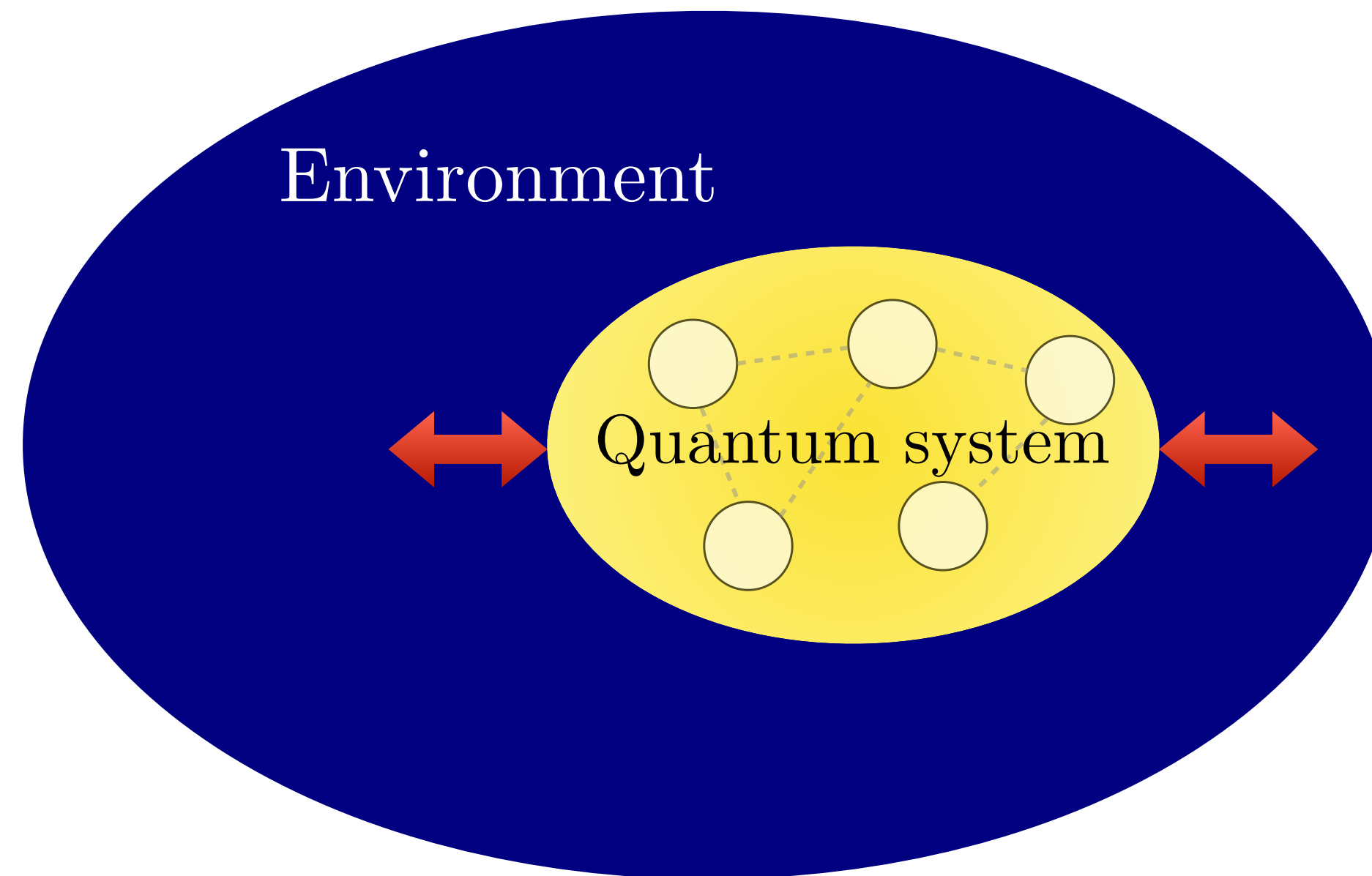
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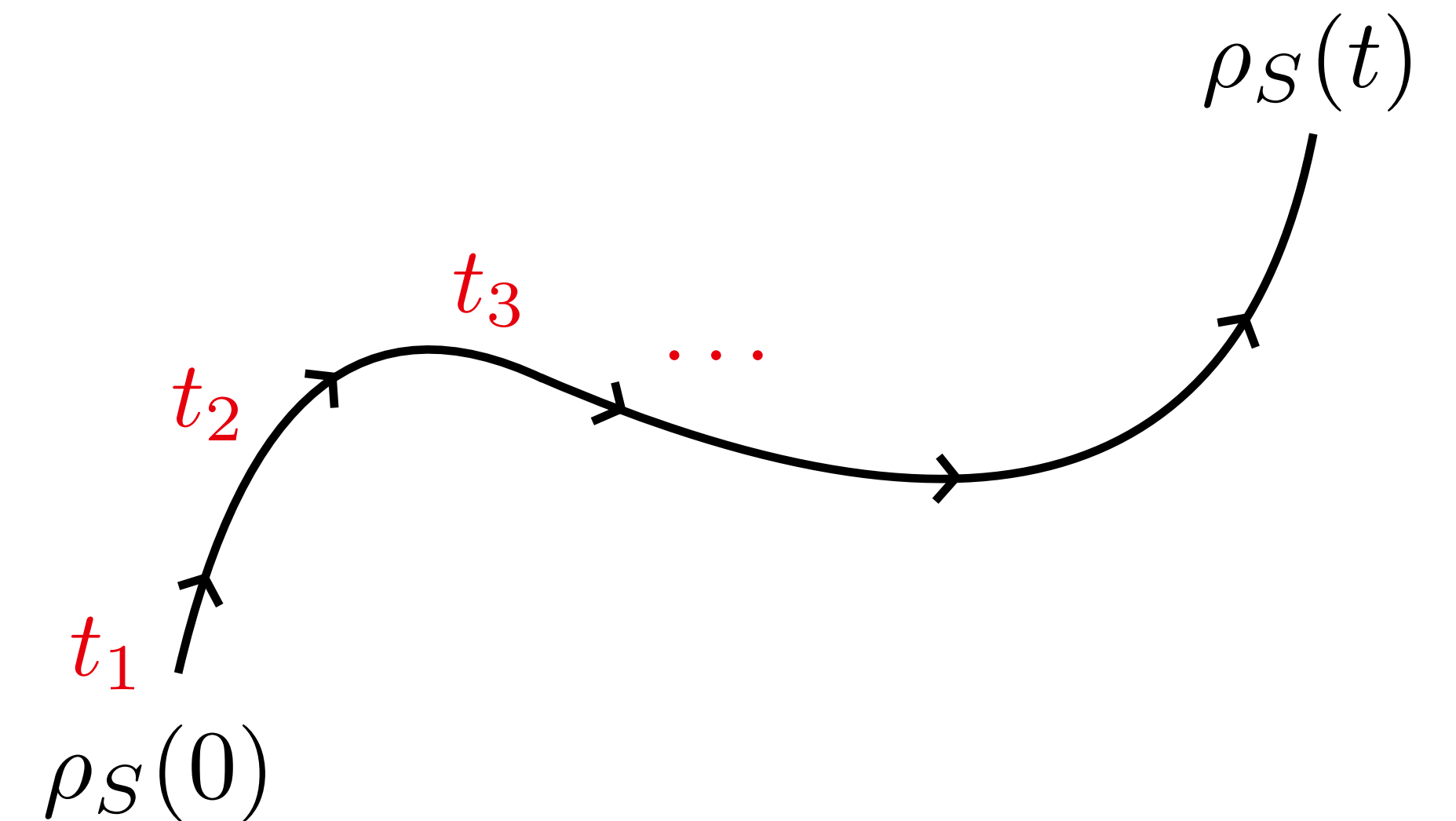
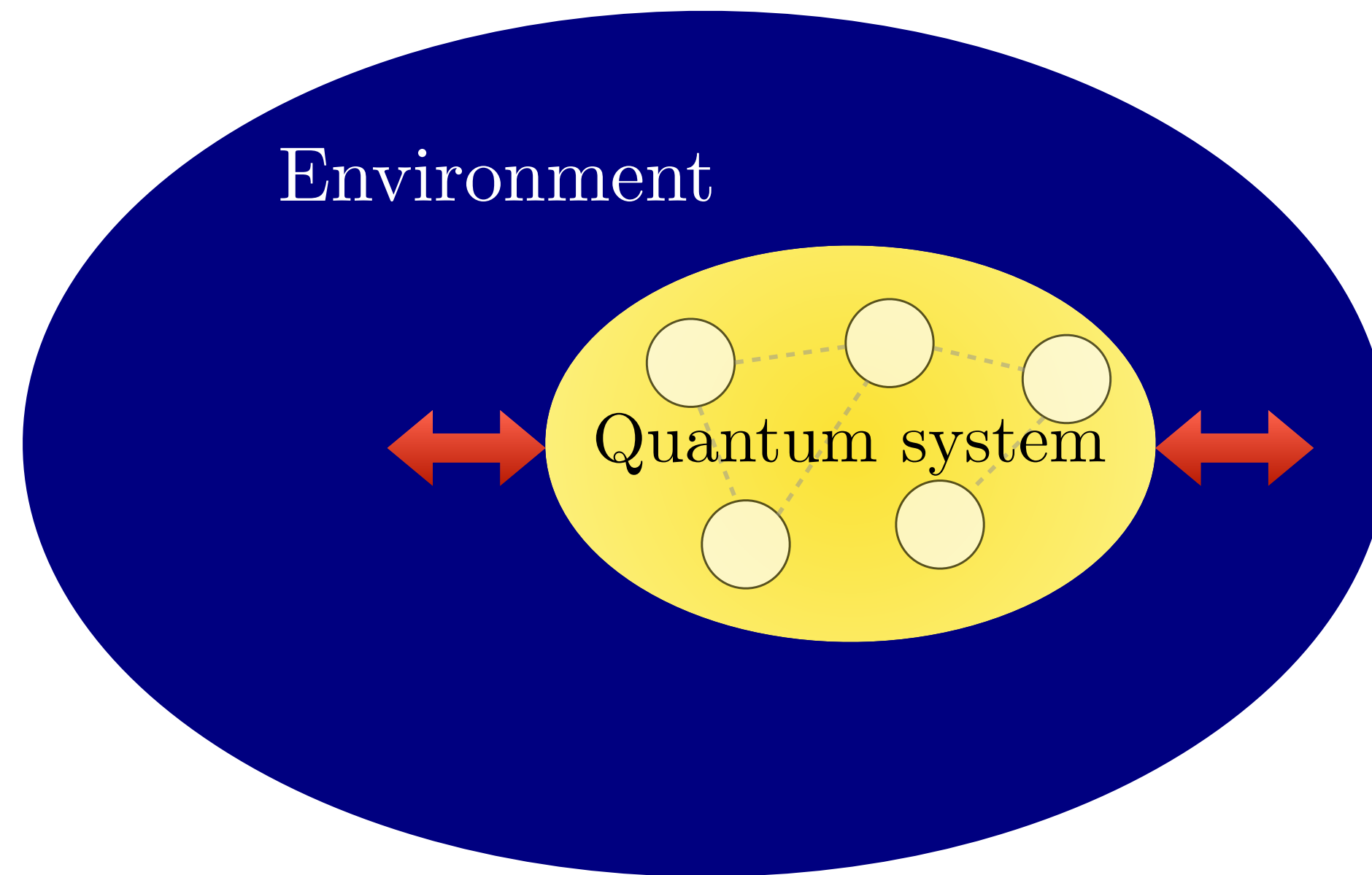
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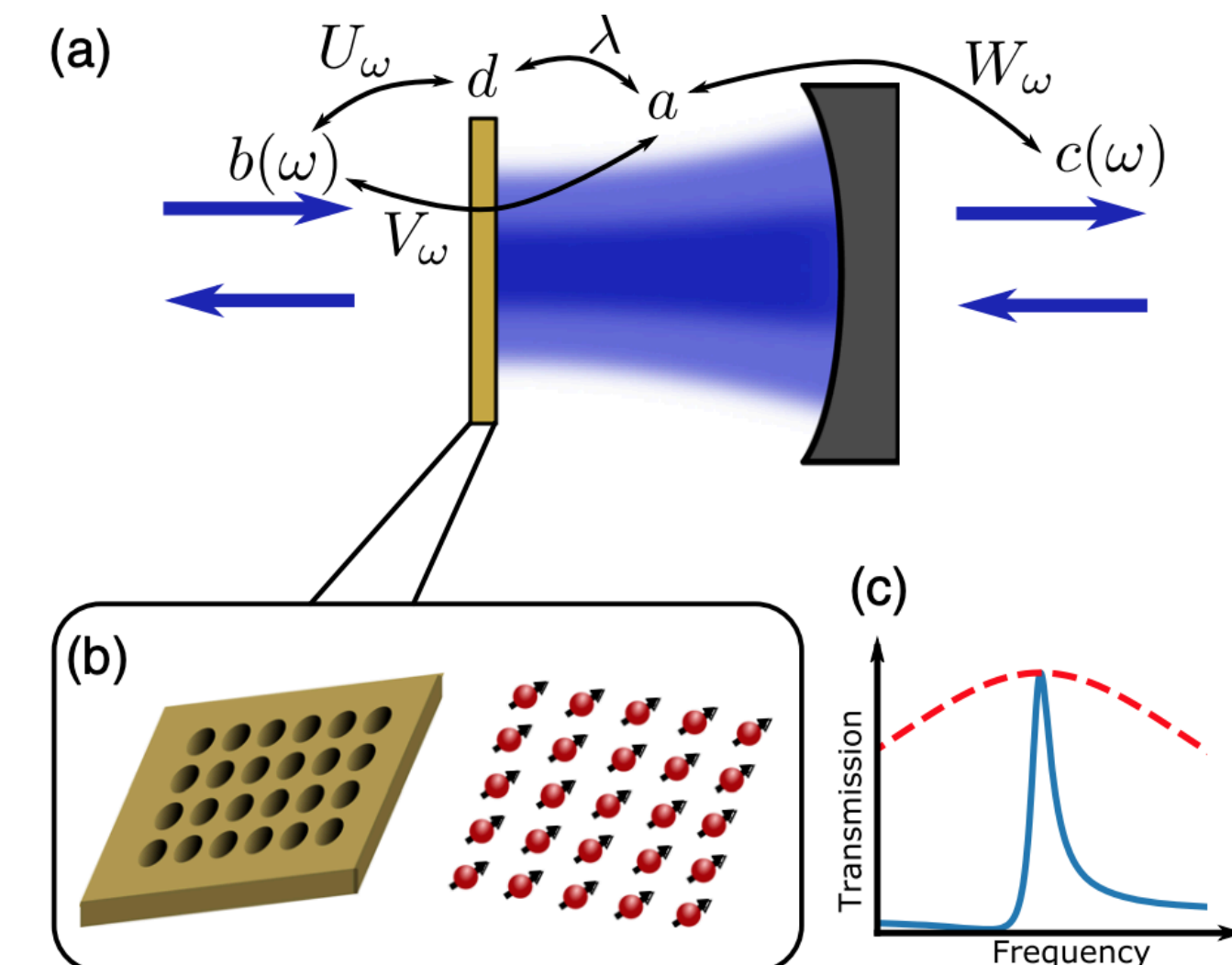
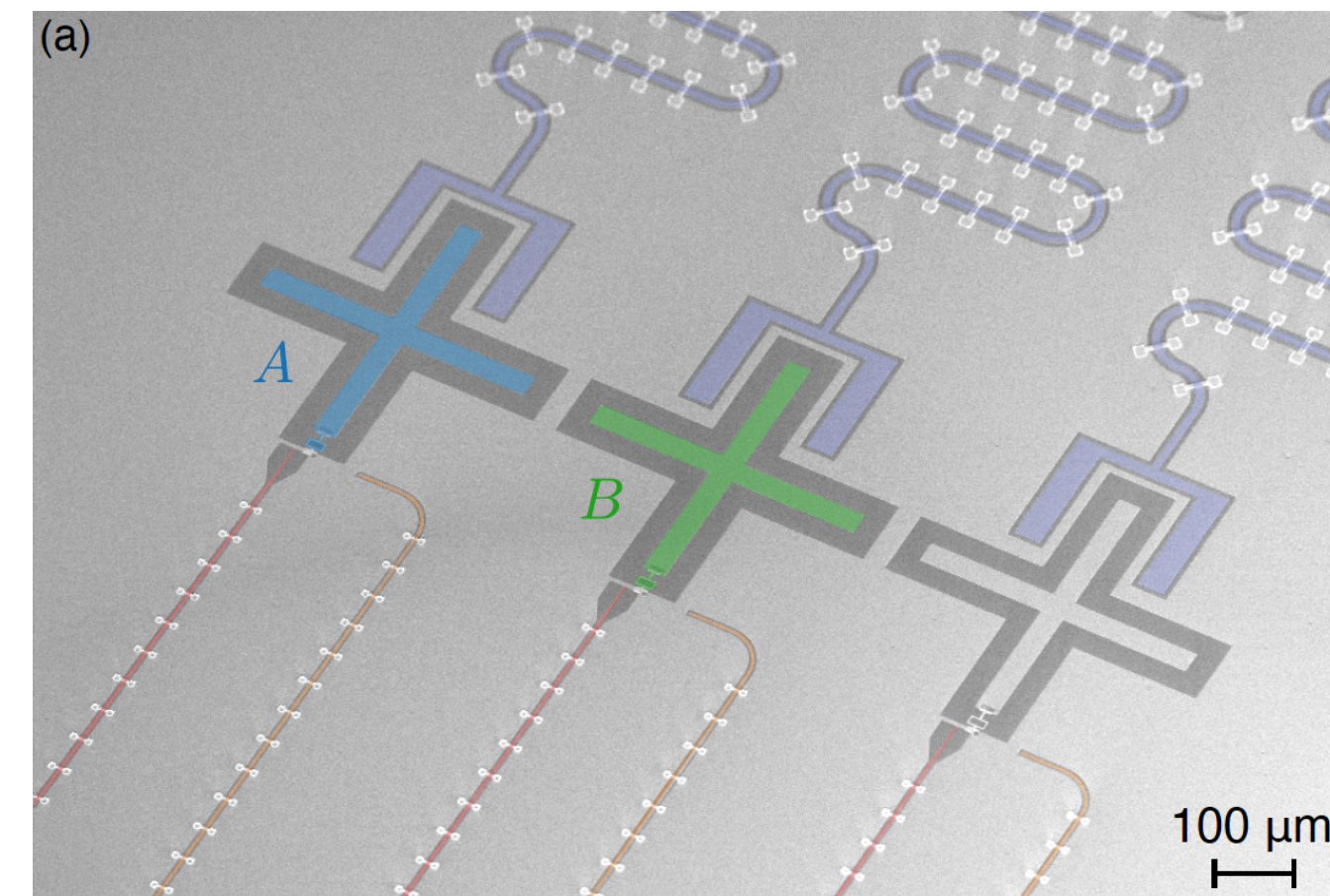
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- Superconducting qubits:
(Samach et. al., PR App 18, 064056, 2022)
(Zhang et. al., PR App 17, 054018, 2022)
- Quantum biological systems:
(Chin et. al., Nat Phys 9, 113, 2013)
(Ishizaki and Fleming, Proc Nat. Acad Sci, 106, 17255, 2009)
- Cavity quantum electrodynamics:
(Cernotik, et. al., PRL, 122, 243601, 2020)
(Denning, Iles-Smith, Mork, PRB, 100, 214306 2019)



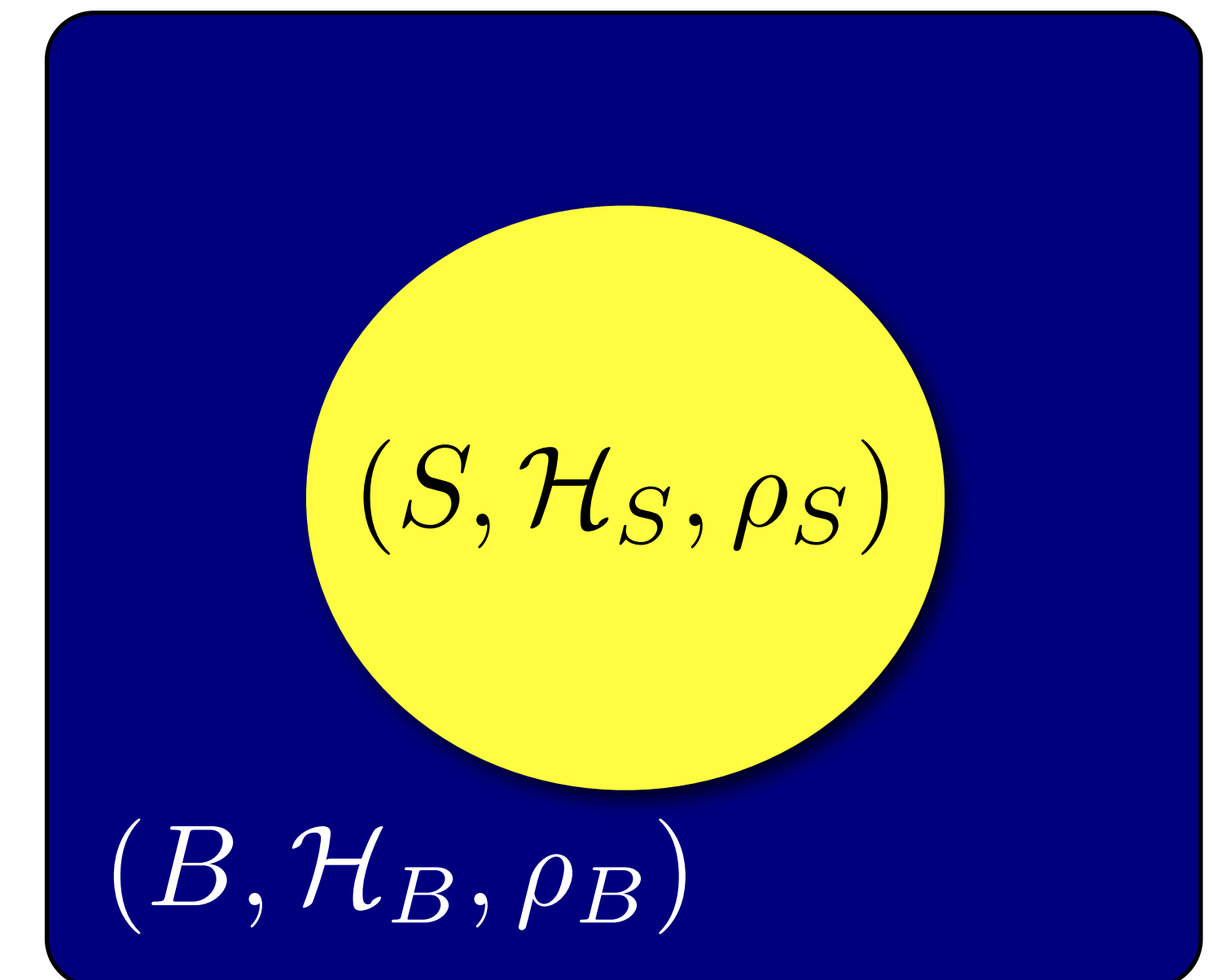
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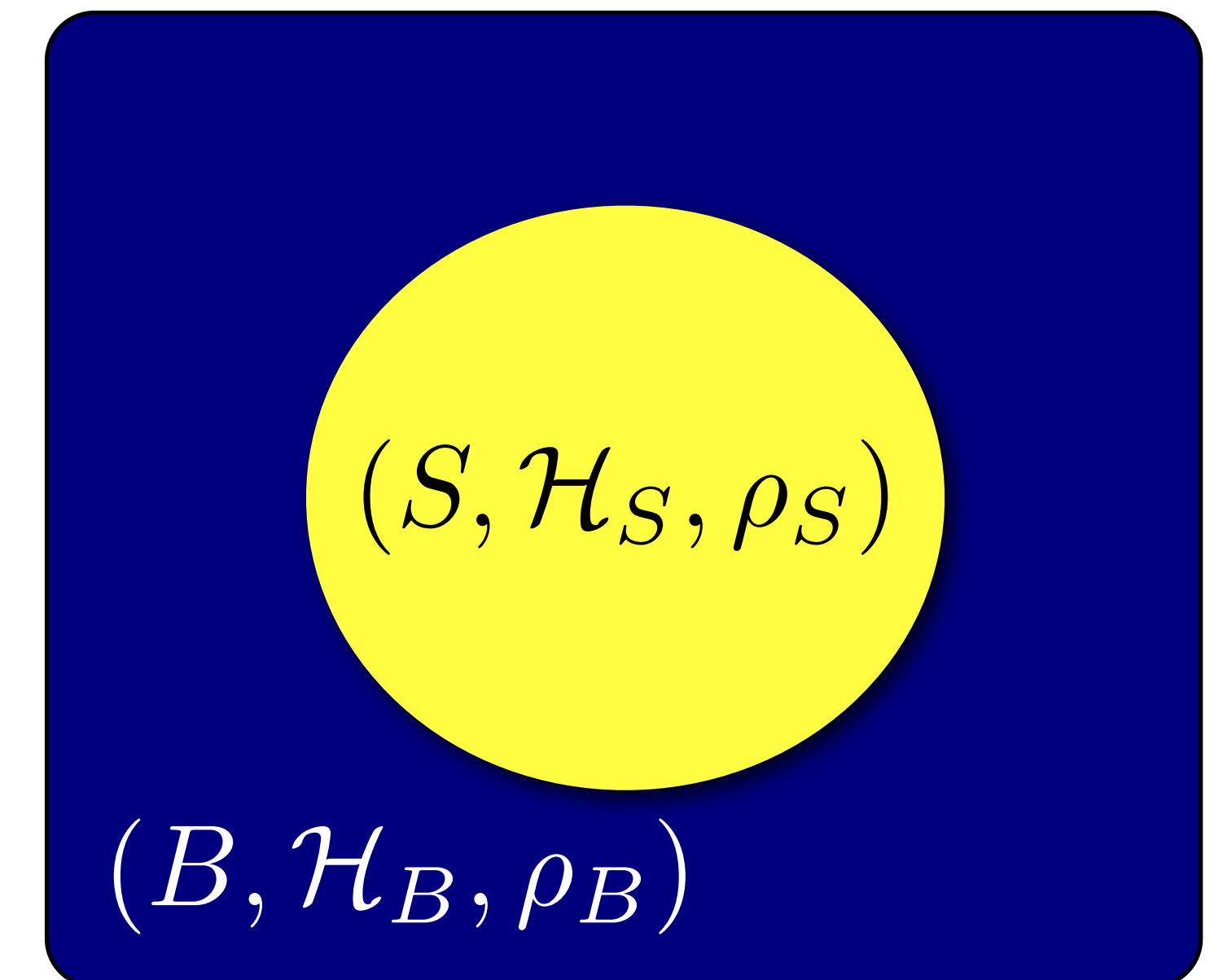
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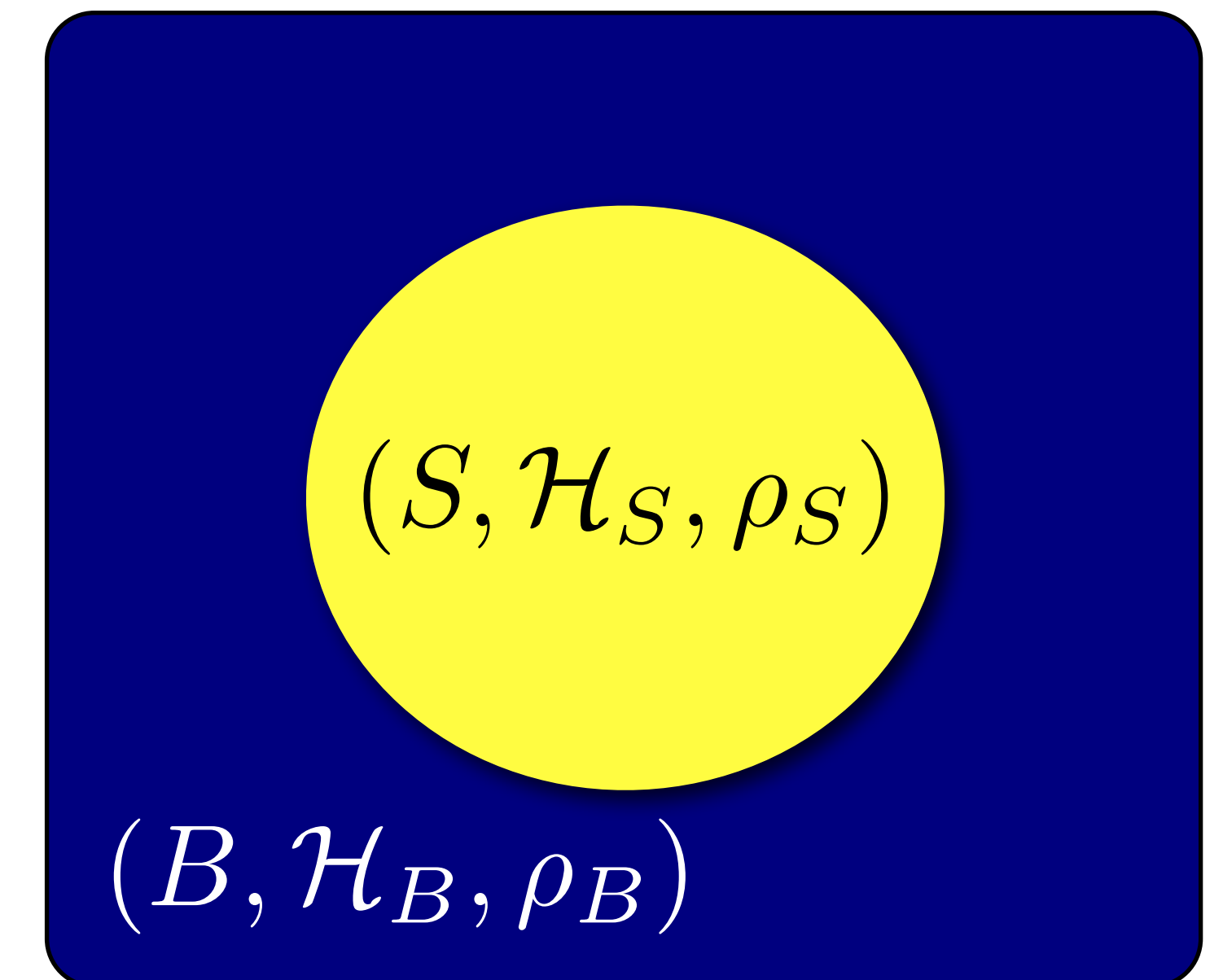
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Partial trace:

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Contains all statistical information on system S

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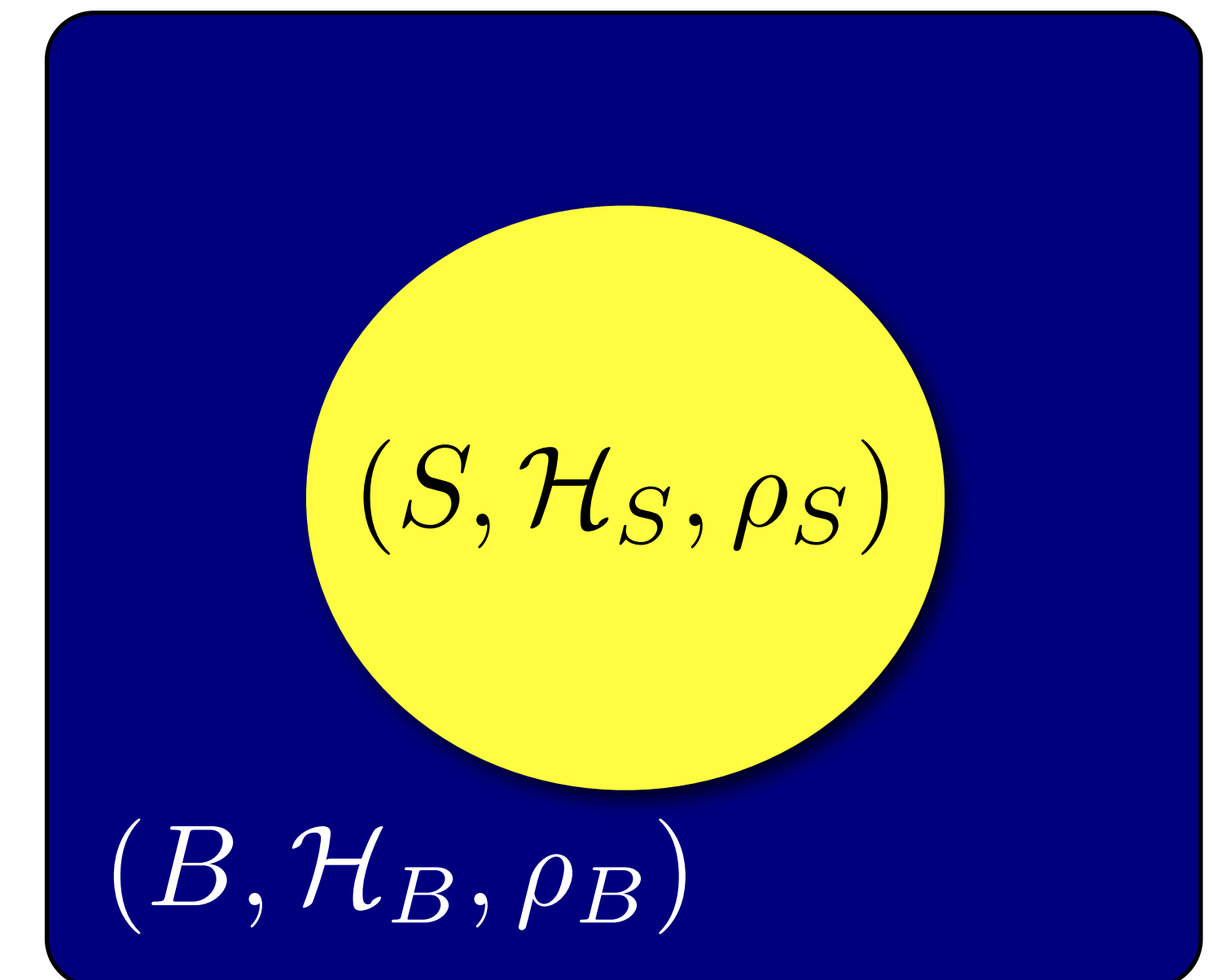
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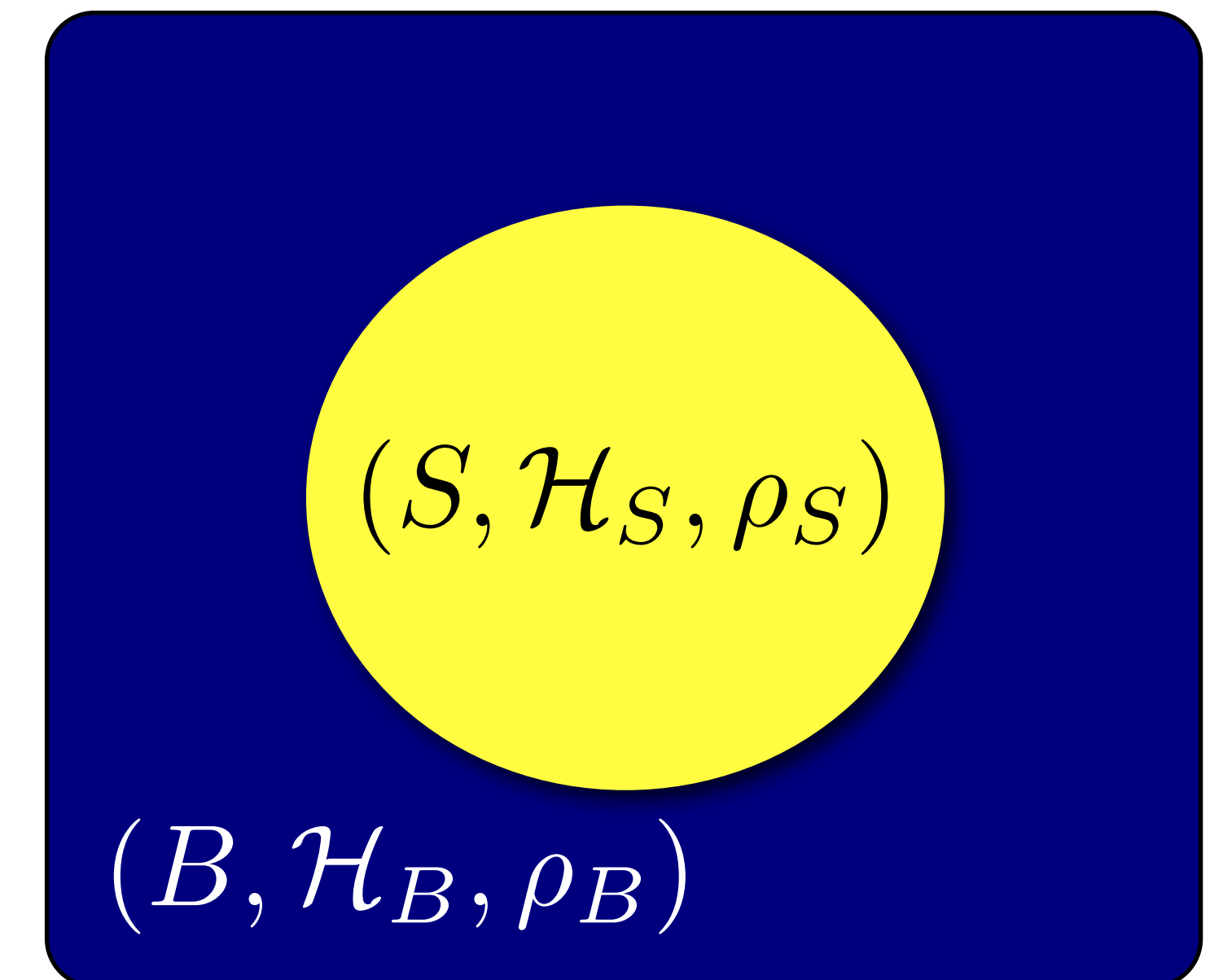
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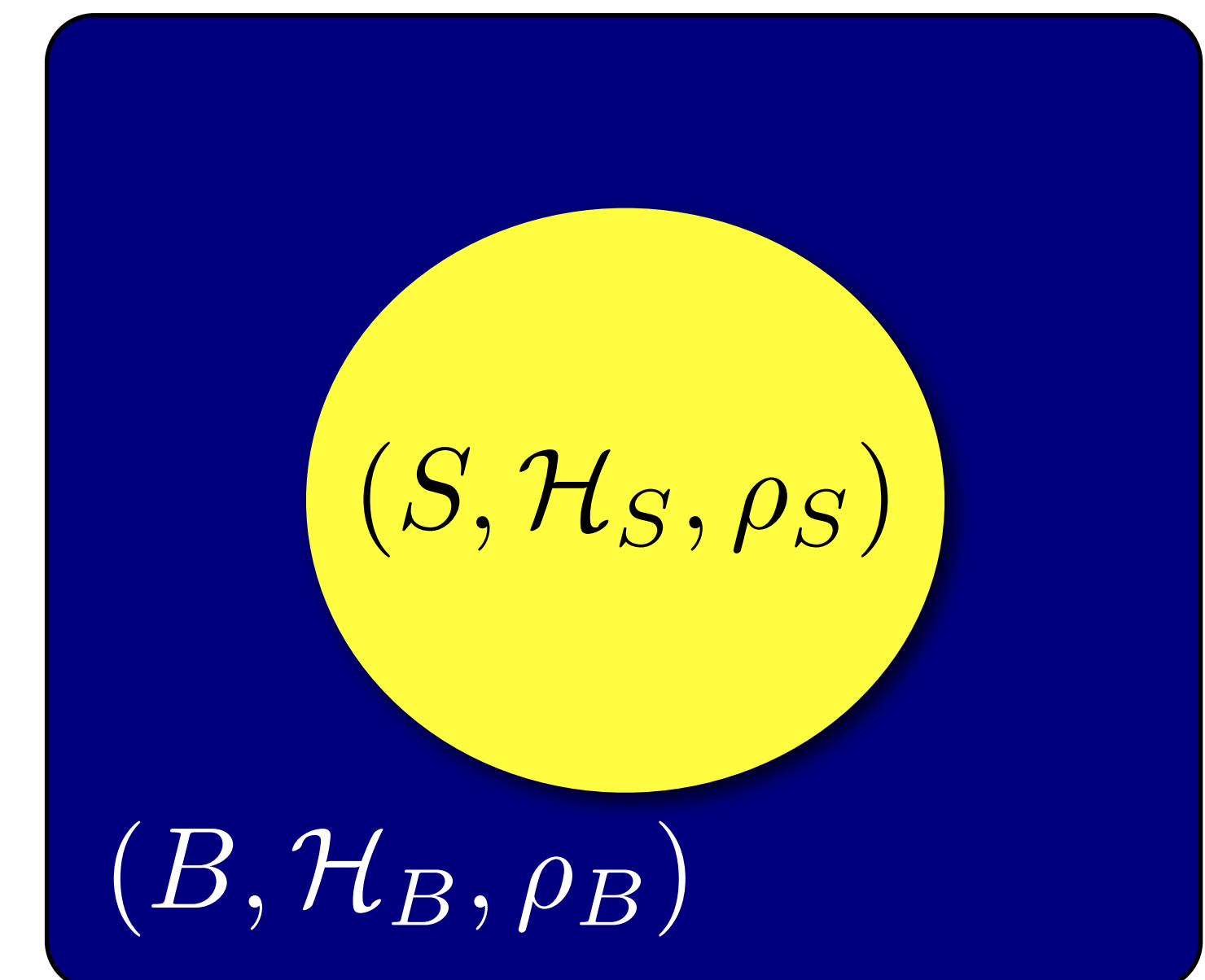
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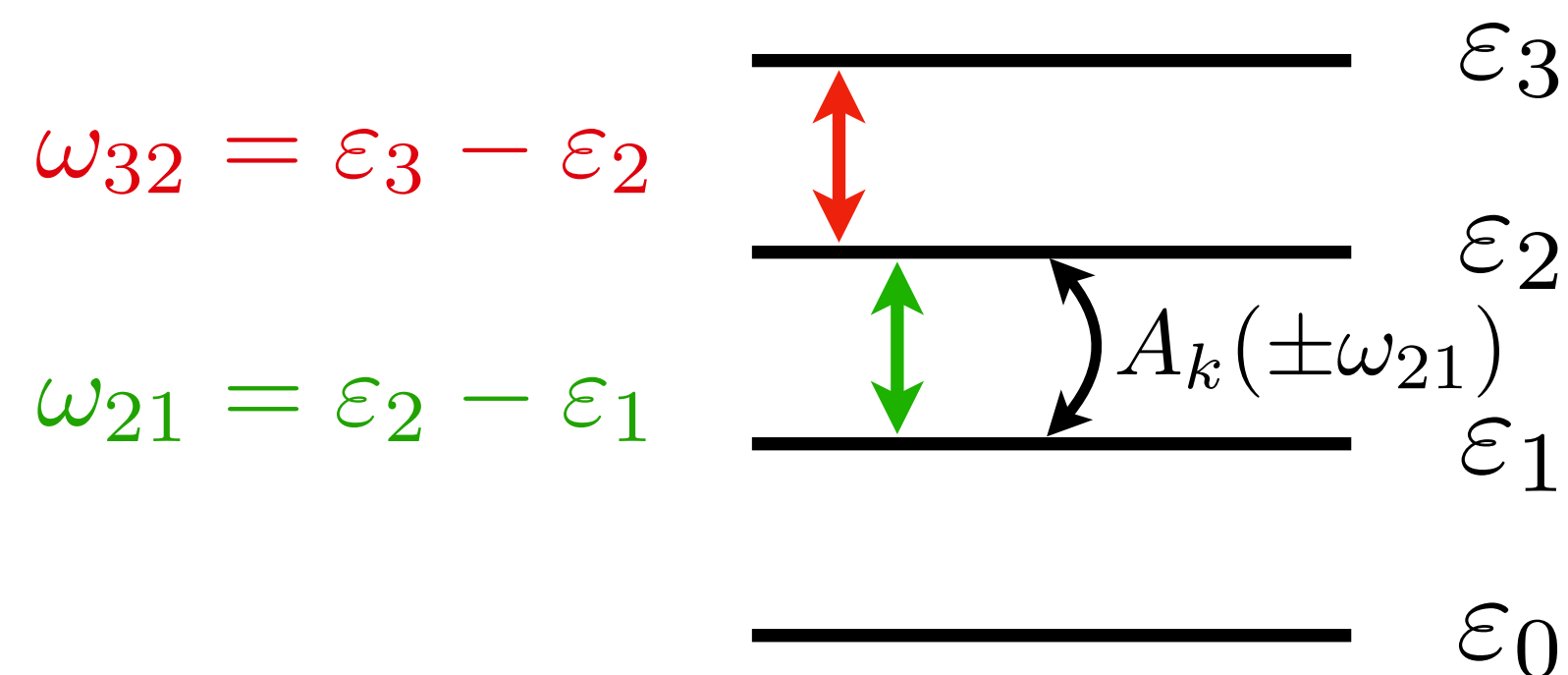
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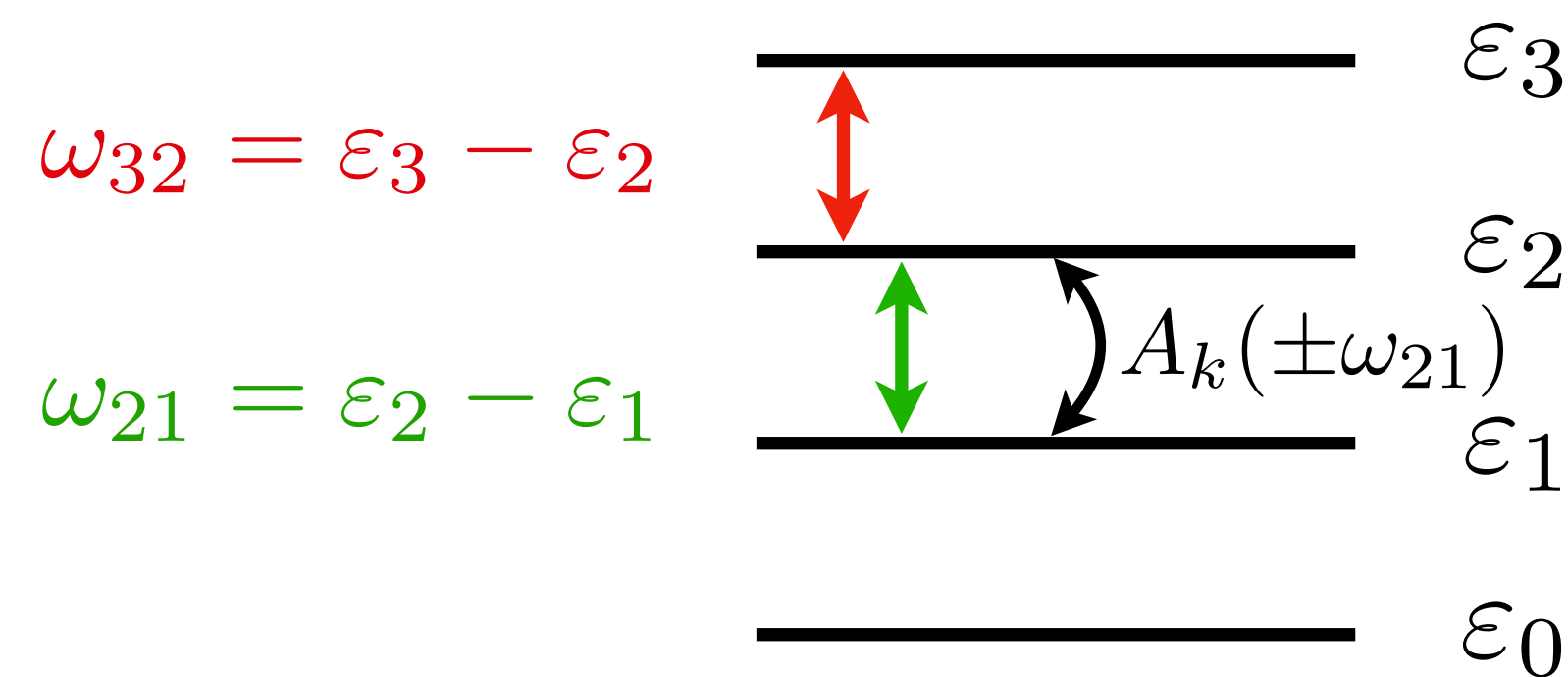
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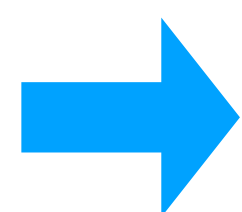
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see Marco's
lecture..

bath correlation function

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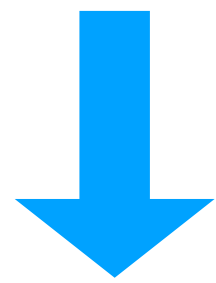
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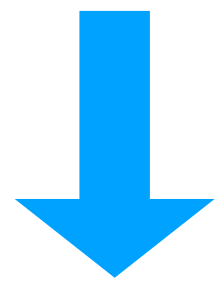
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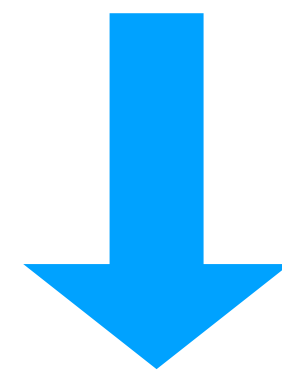
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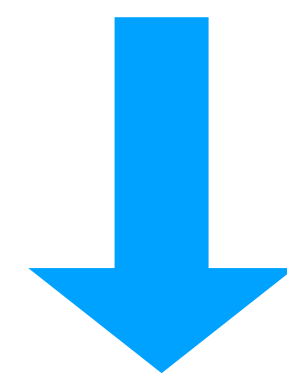
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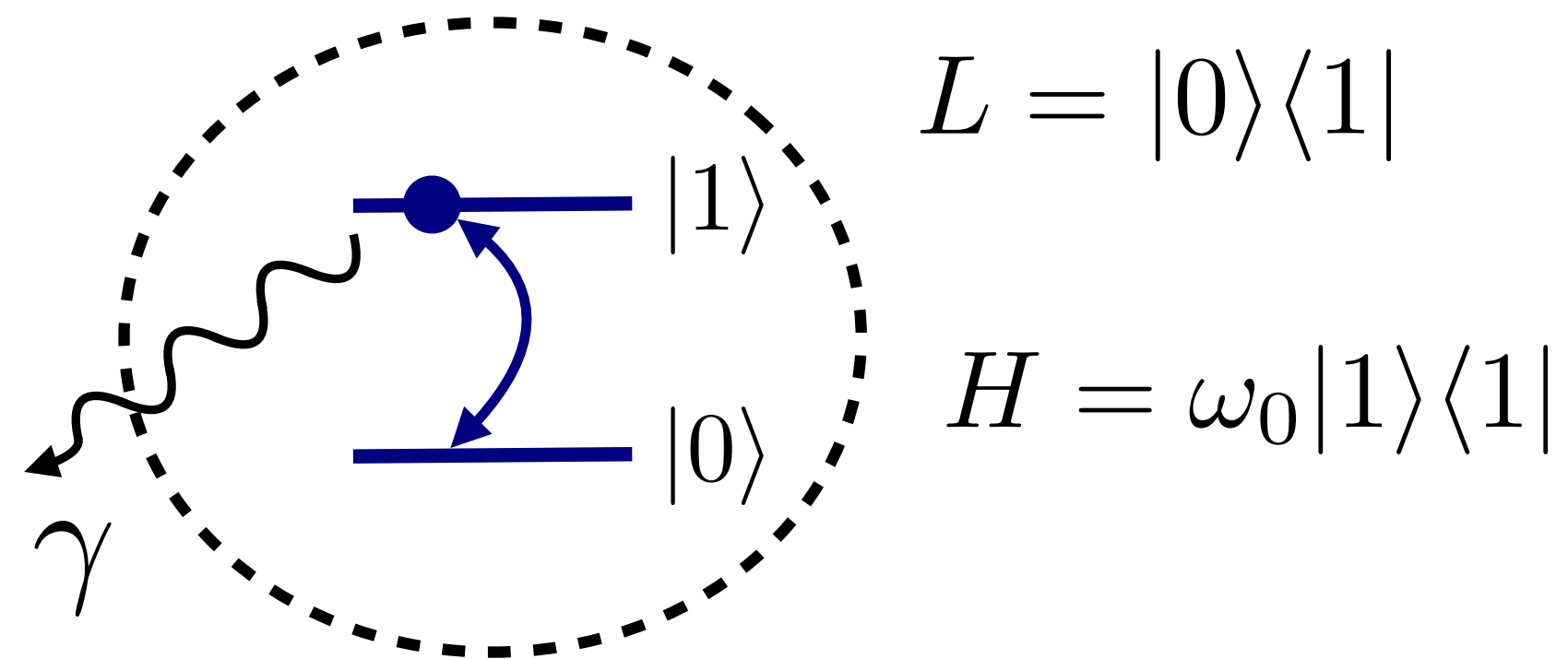
Tempting to make association of non-Markovianity with time-non locality..

memory effects $\neq$ time-nonlocal master equation

Example: Markovian master equation

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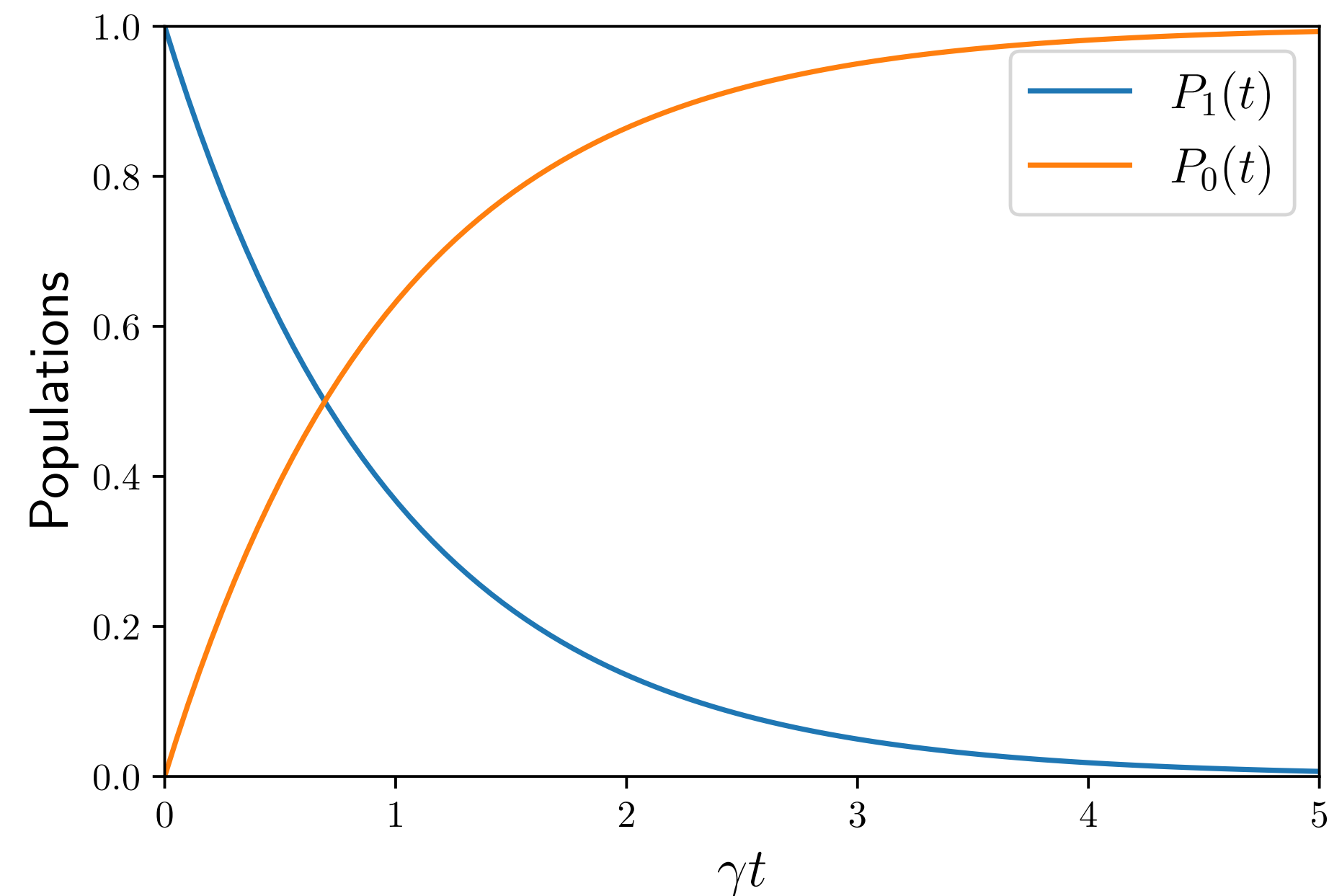
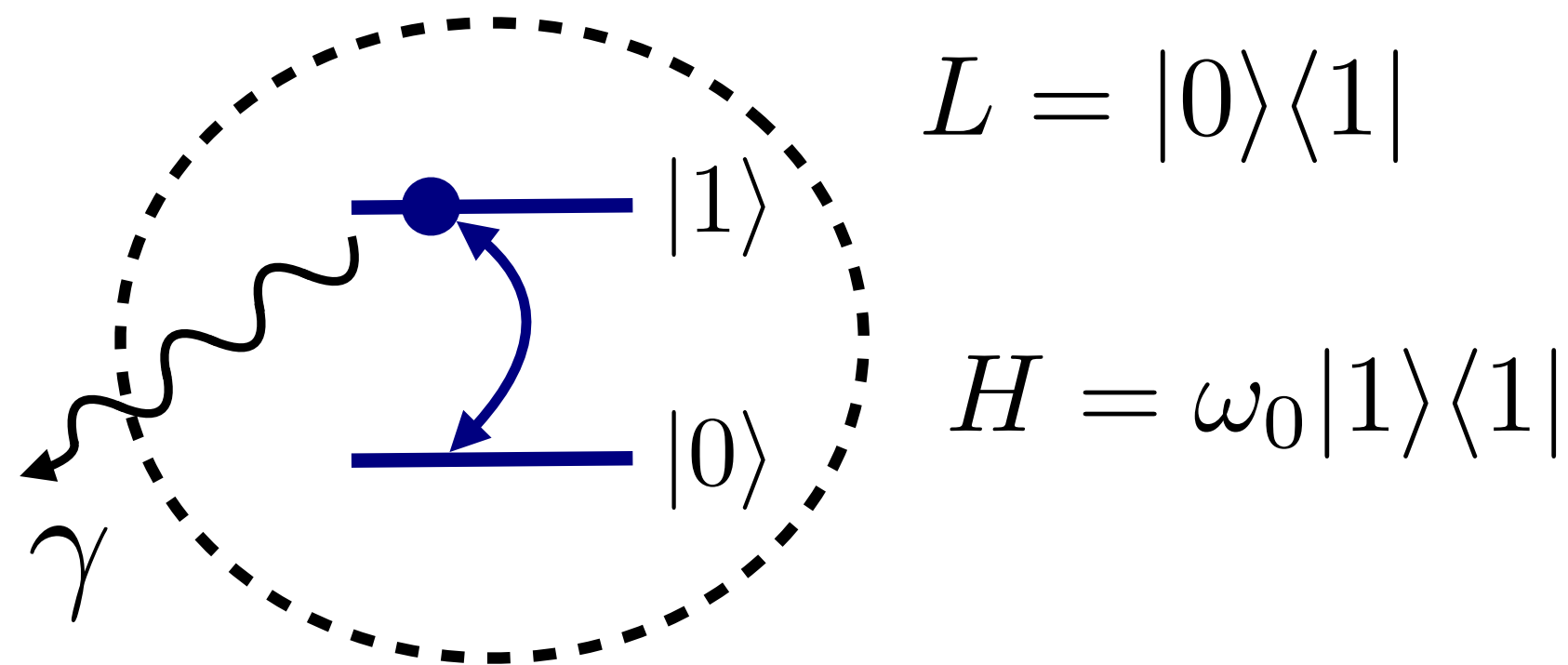
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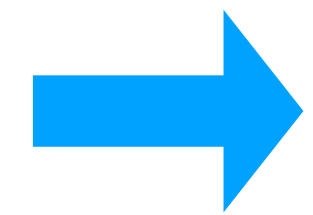
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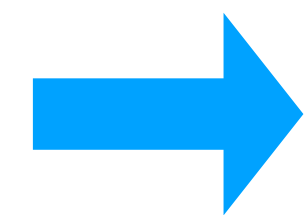


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Side note:

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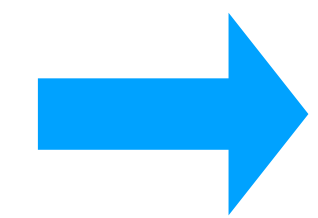
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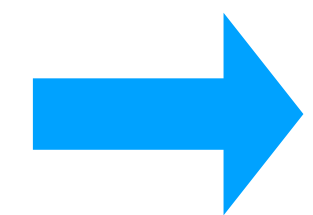
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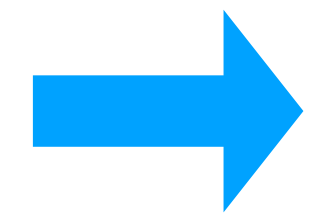
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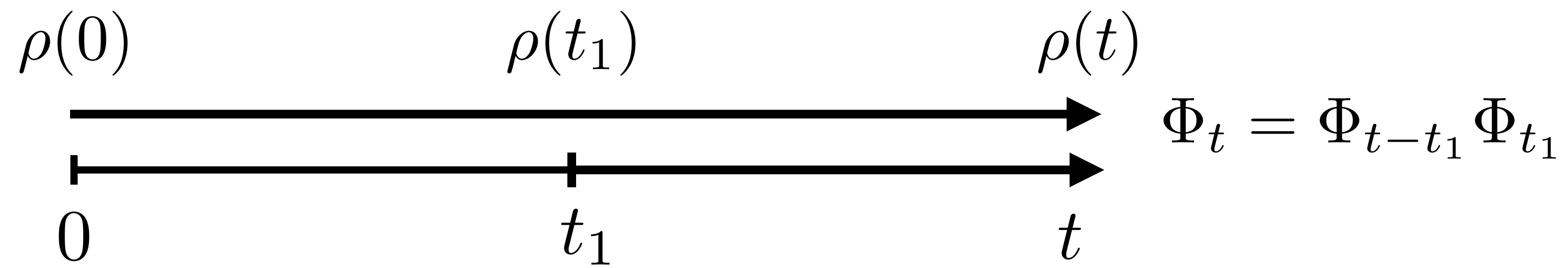
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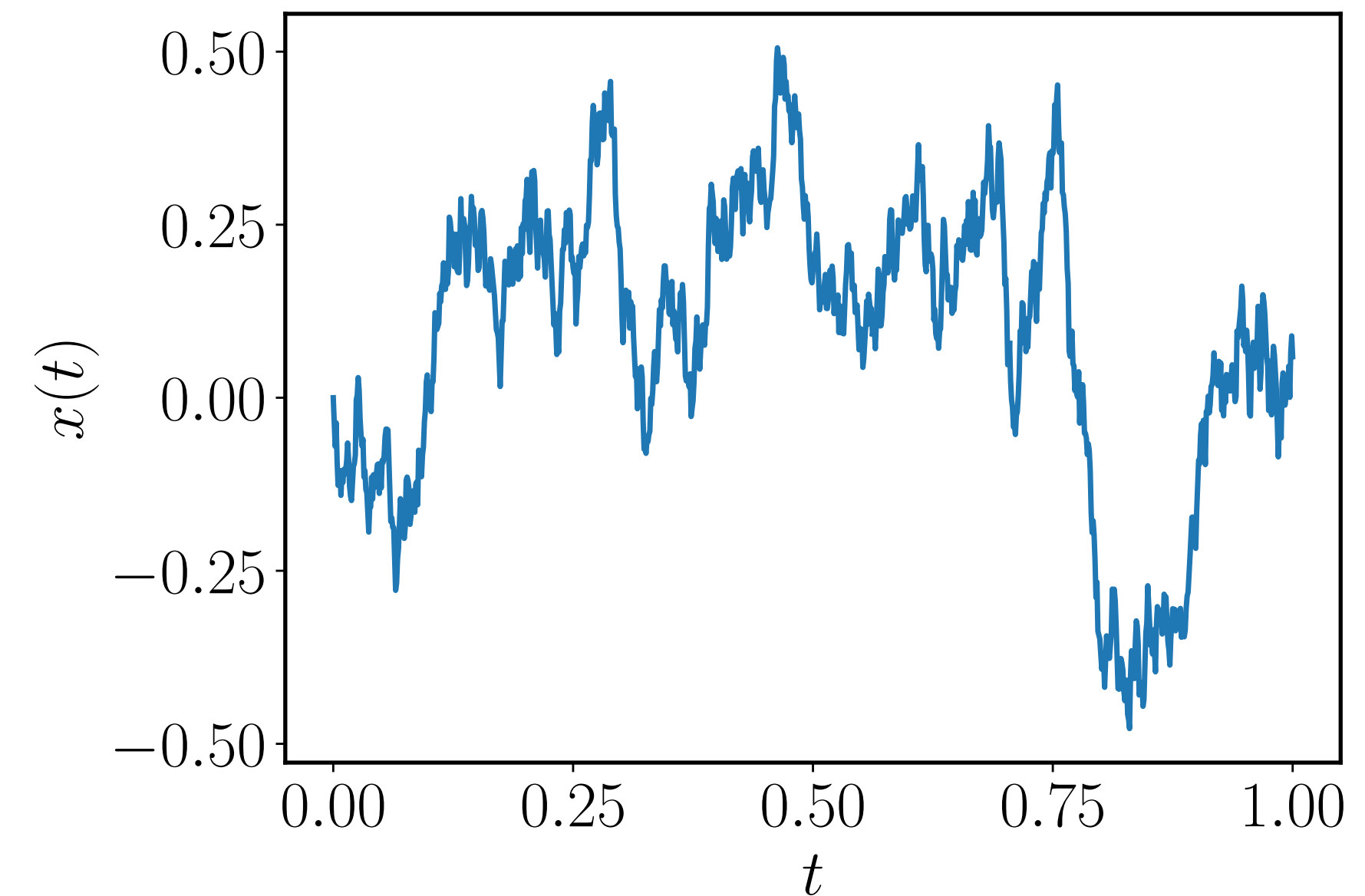
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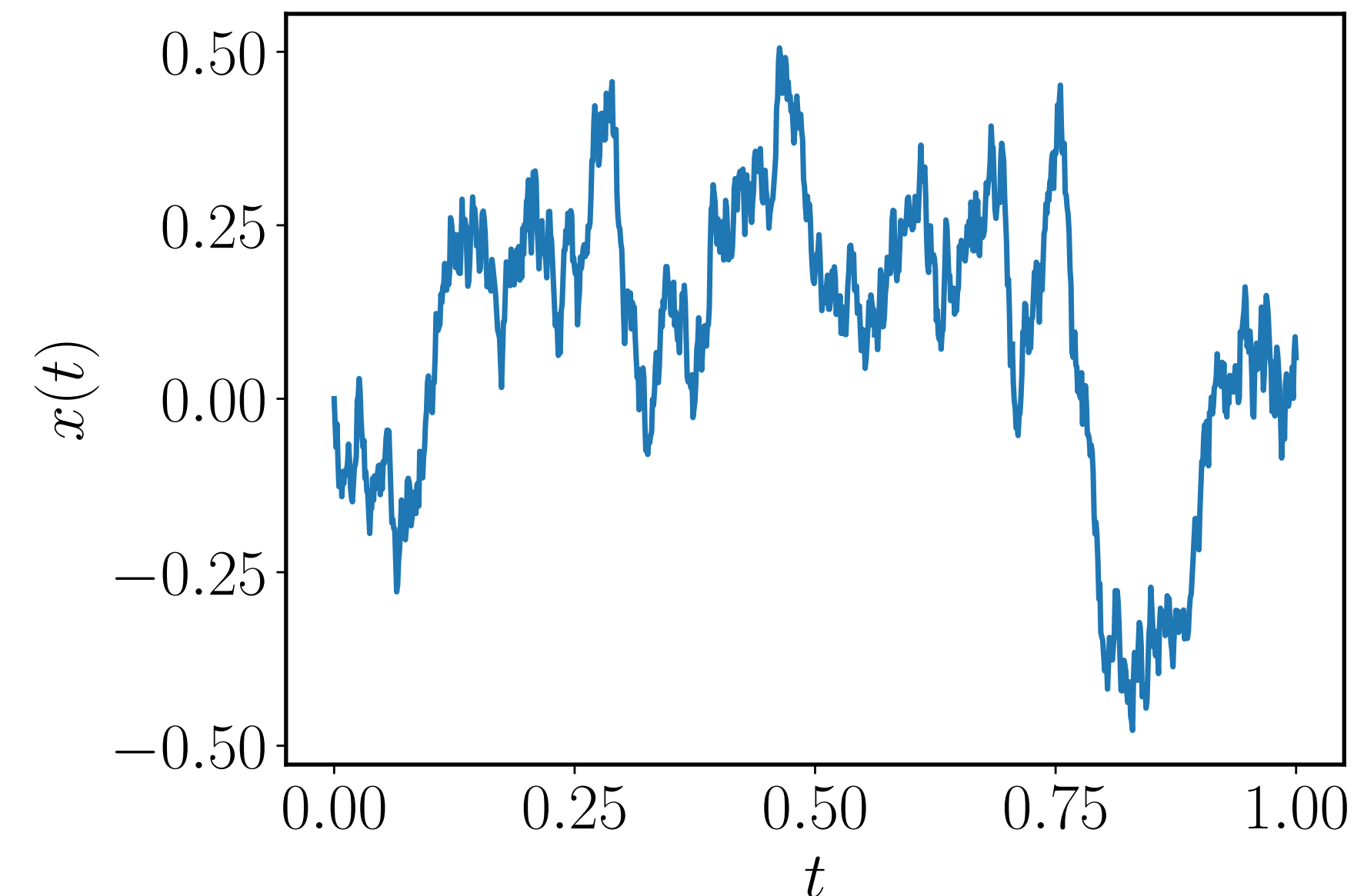
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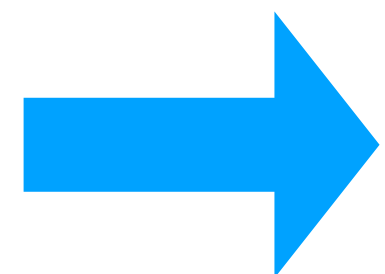
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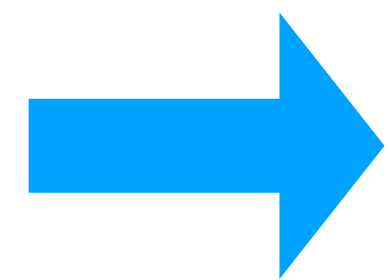
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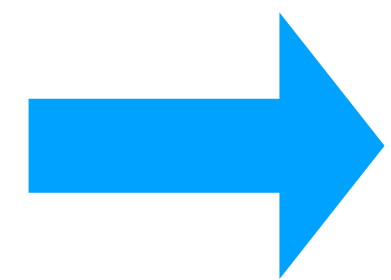
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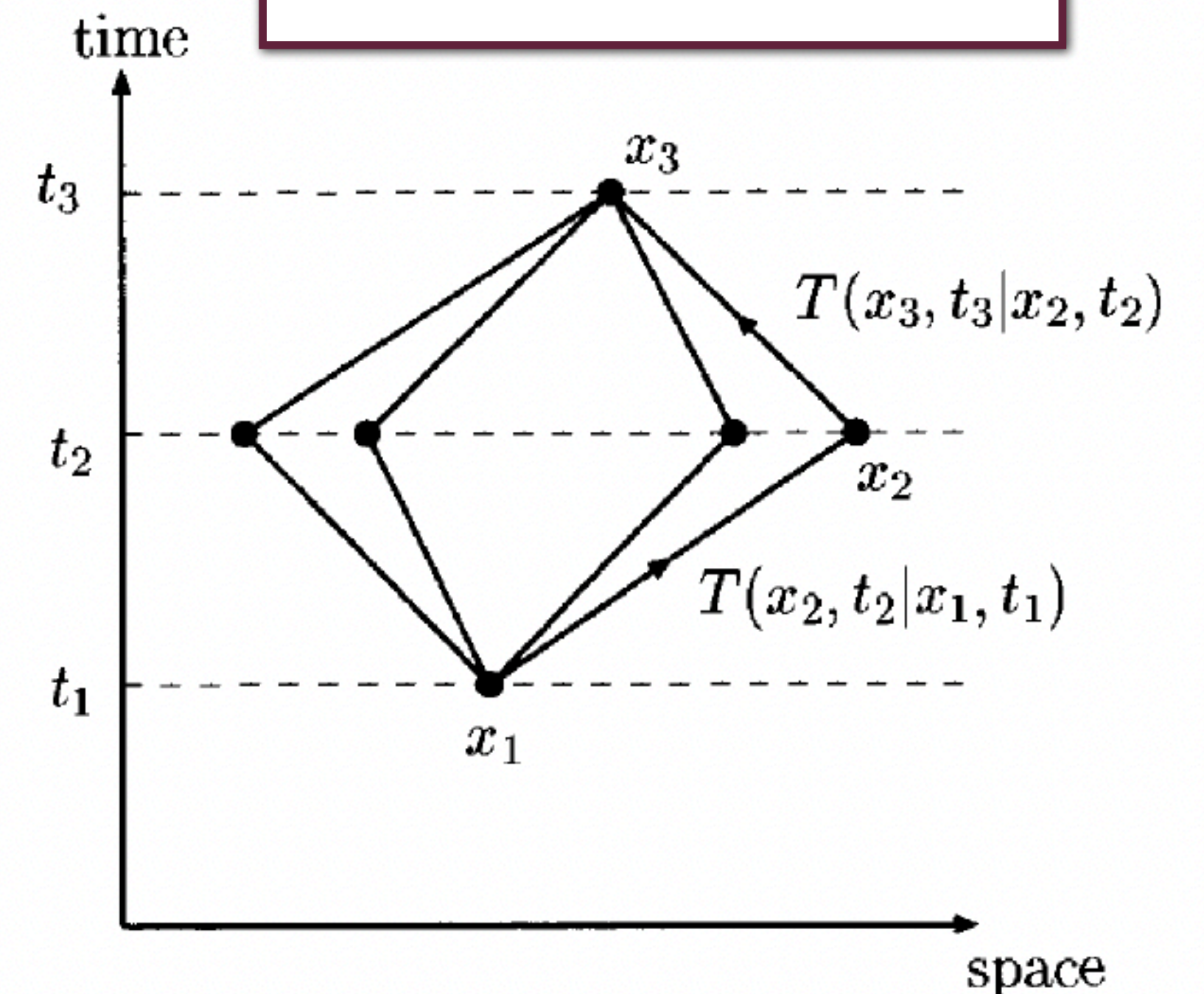
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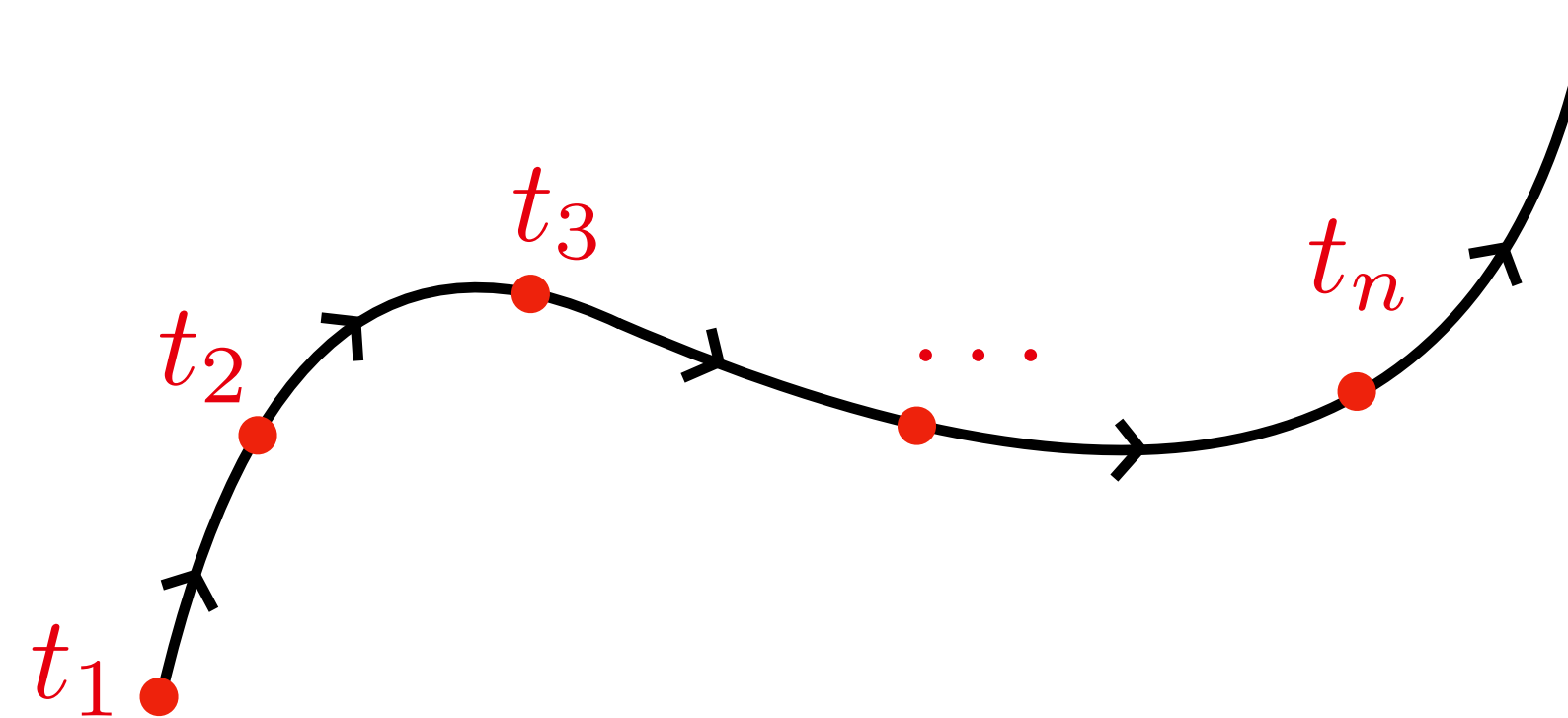
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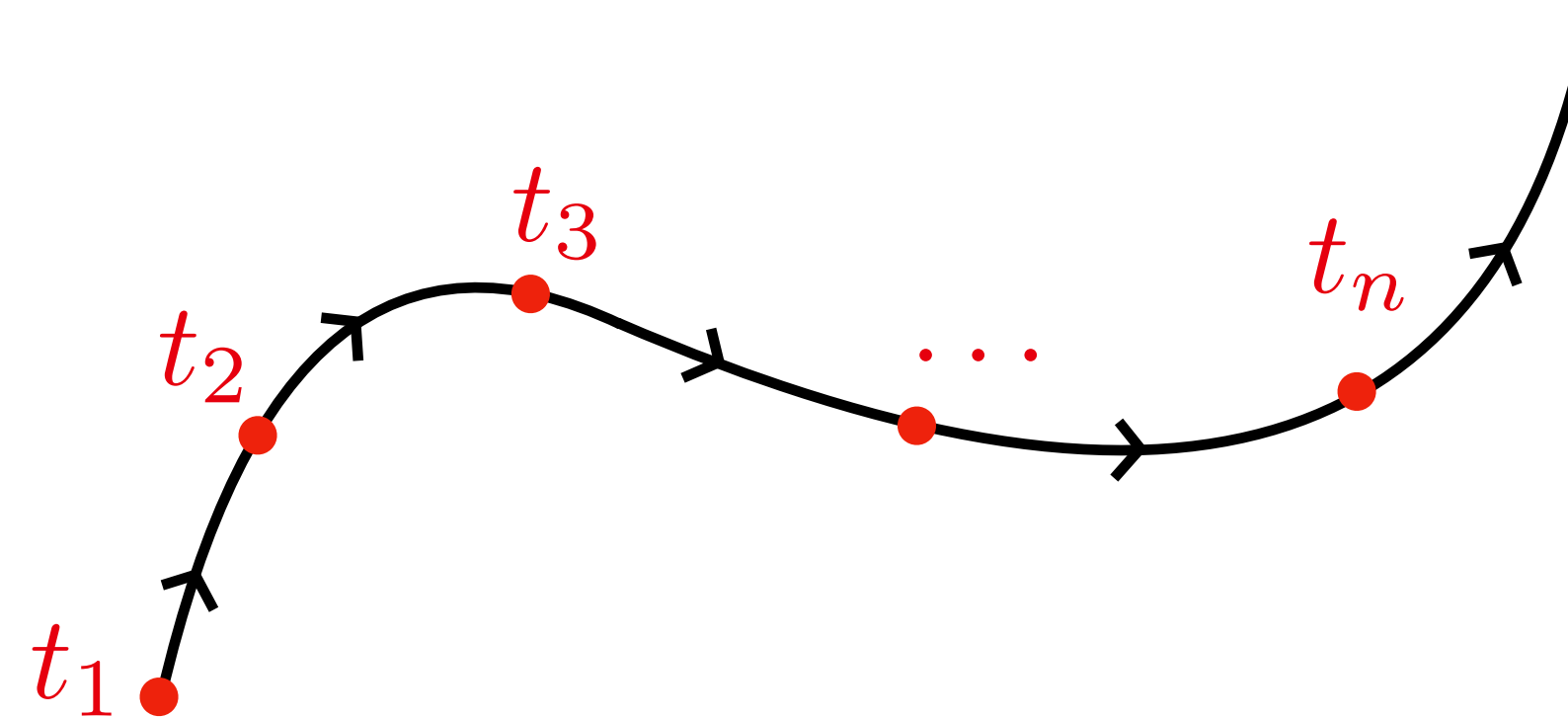
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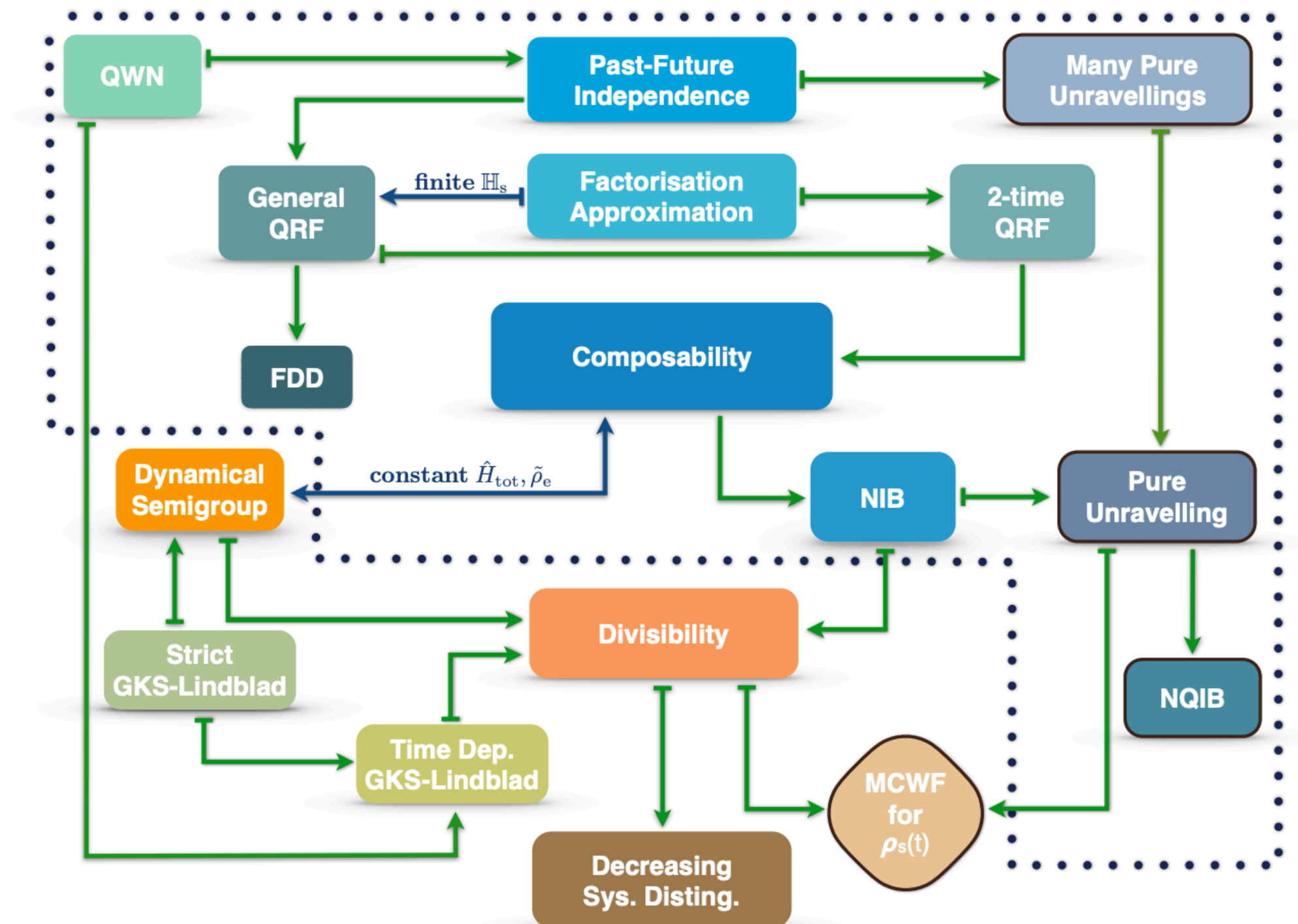
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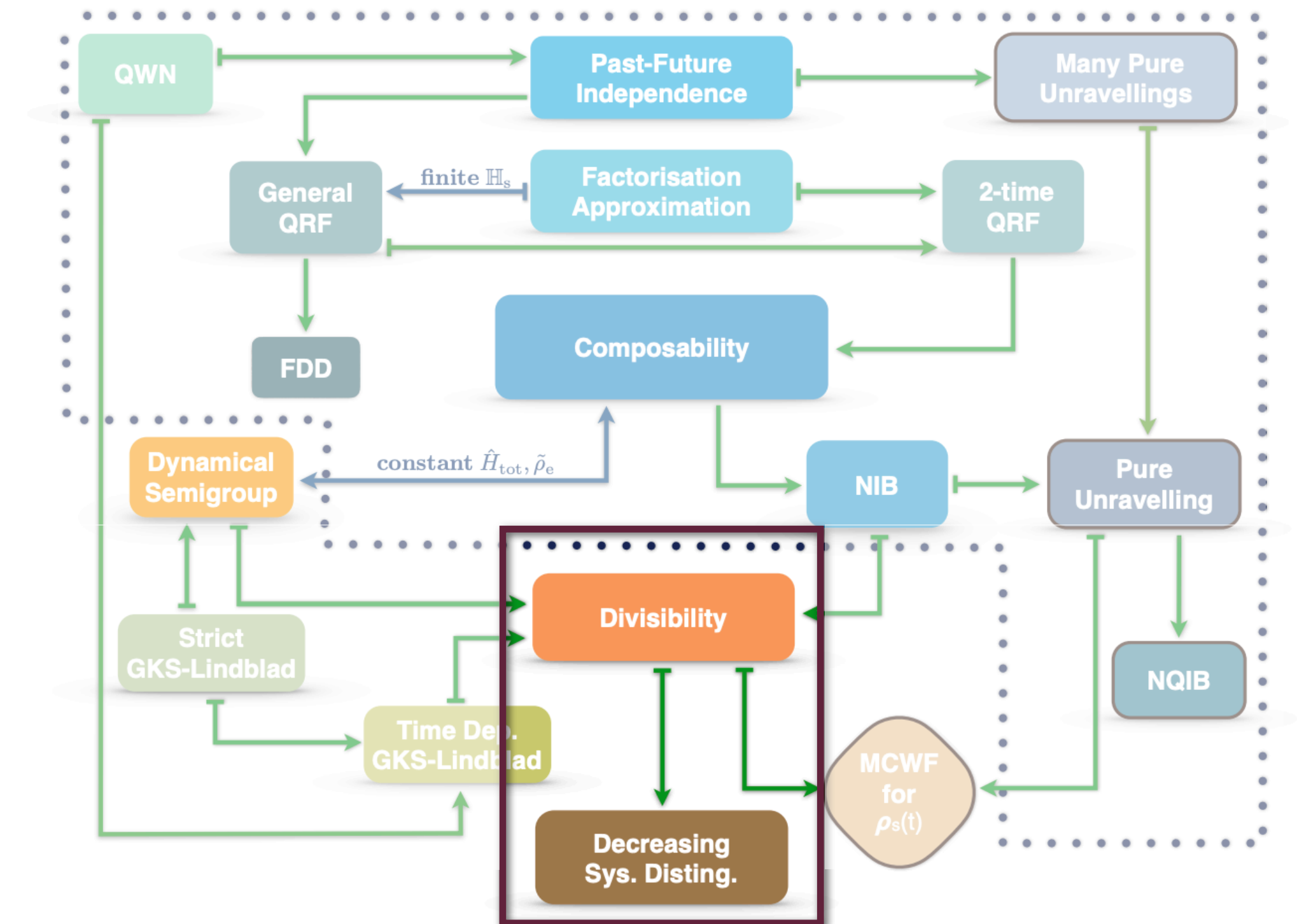


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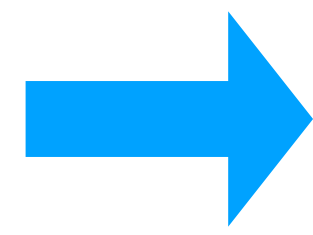
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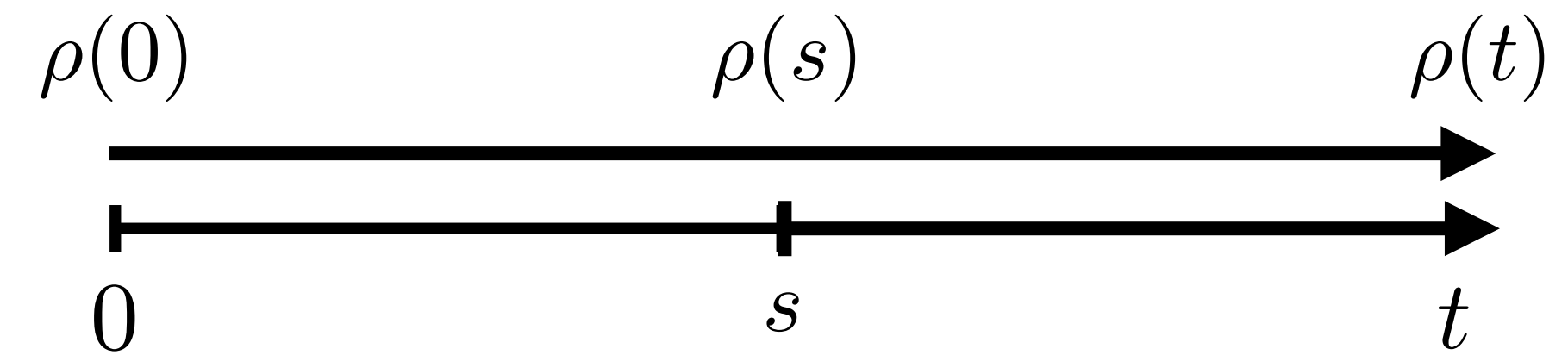


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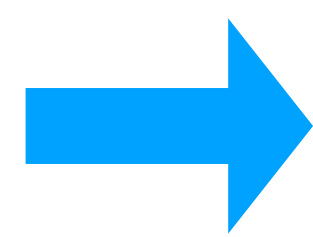
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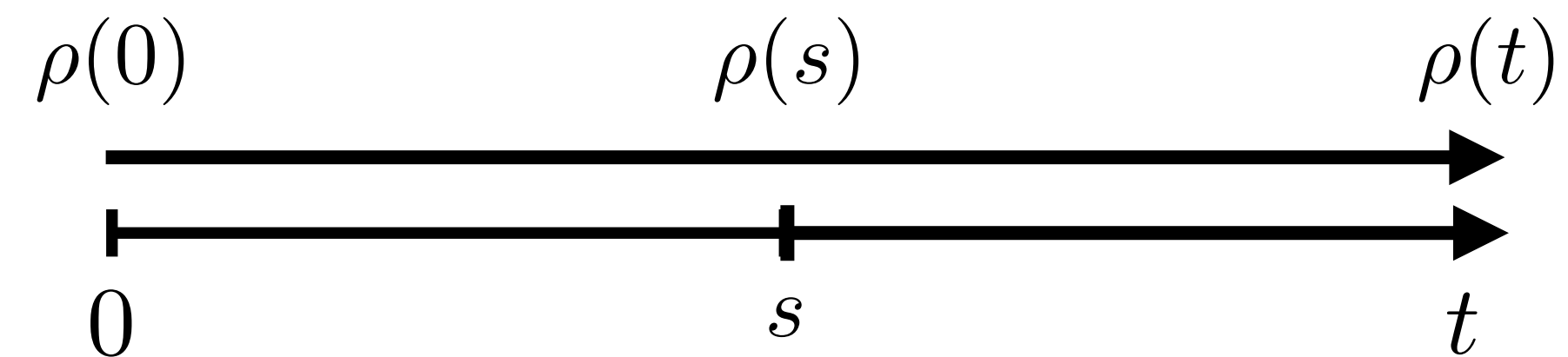
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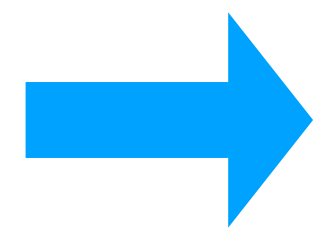


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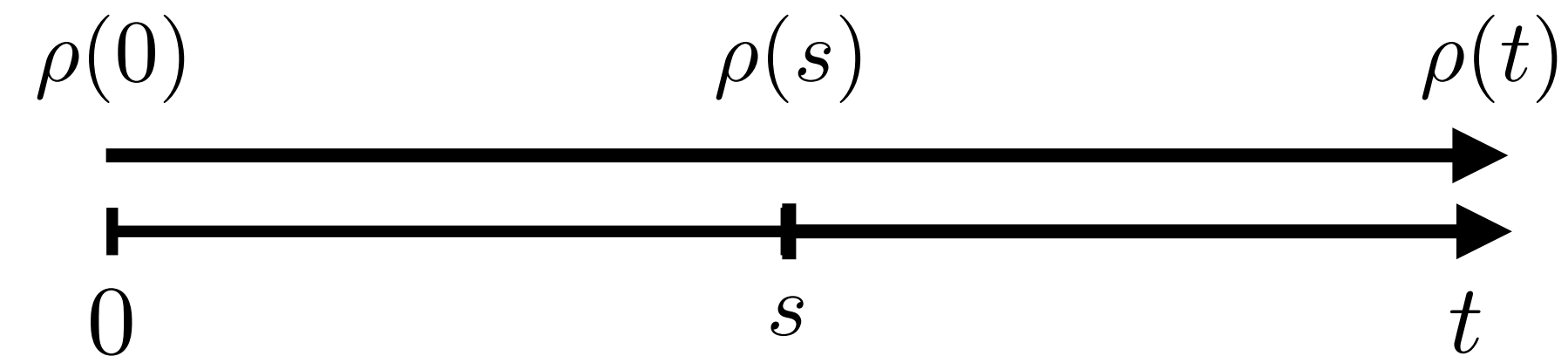
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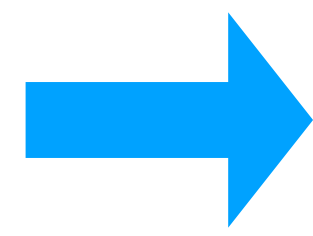
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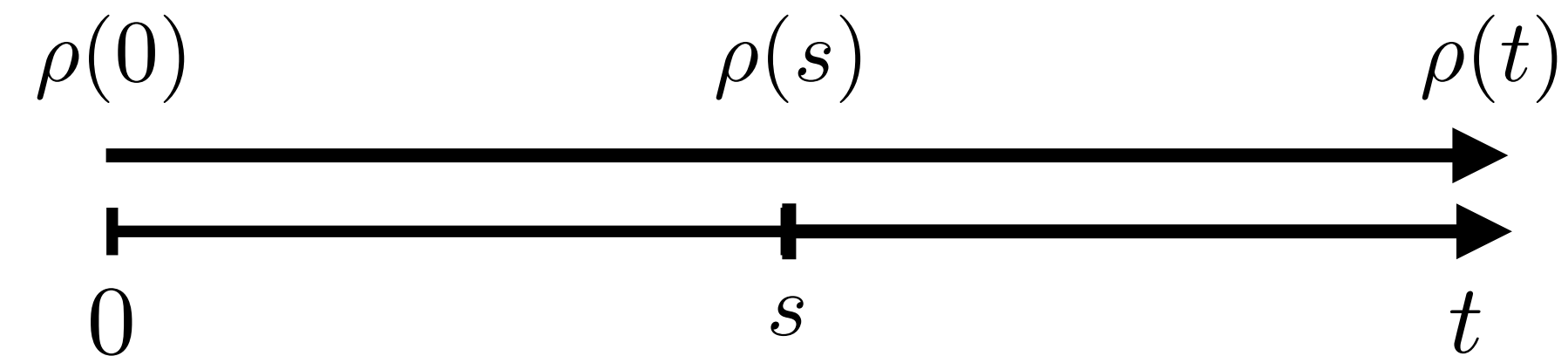
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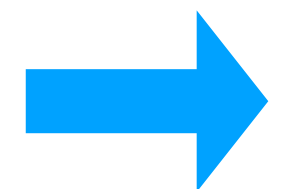
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$$\|X\|_1 = \text{Tr} \sqrt{X^\dagger X}$$

$$g(t) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0+} \frac{\|C_{\Lambda_{t+\epsilon,t}}\|_1 - 1}{\epsilon}$$

$$g(t) > 0 \quad \text{non-Markovian}$$

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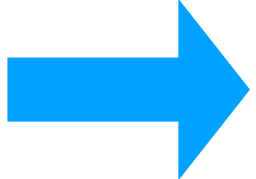
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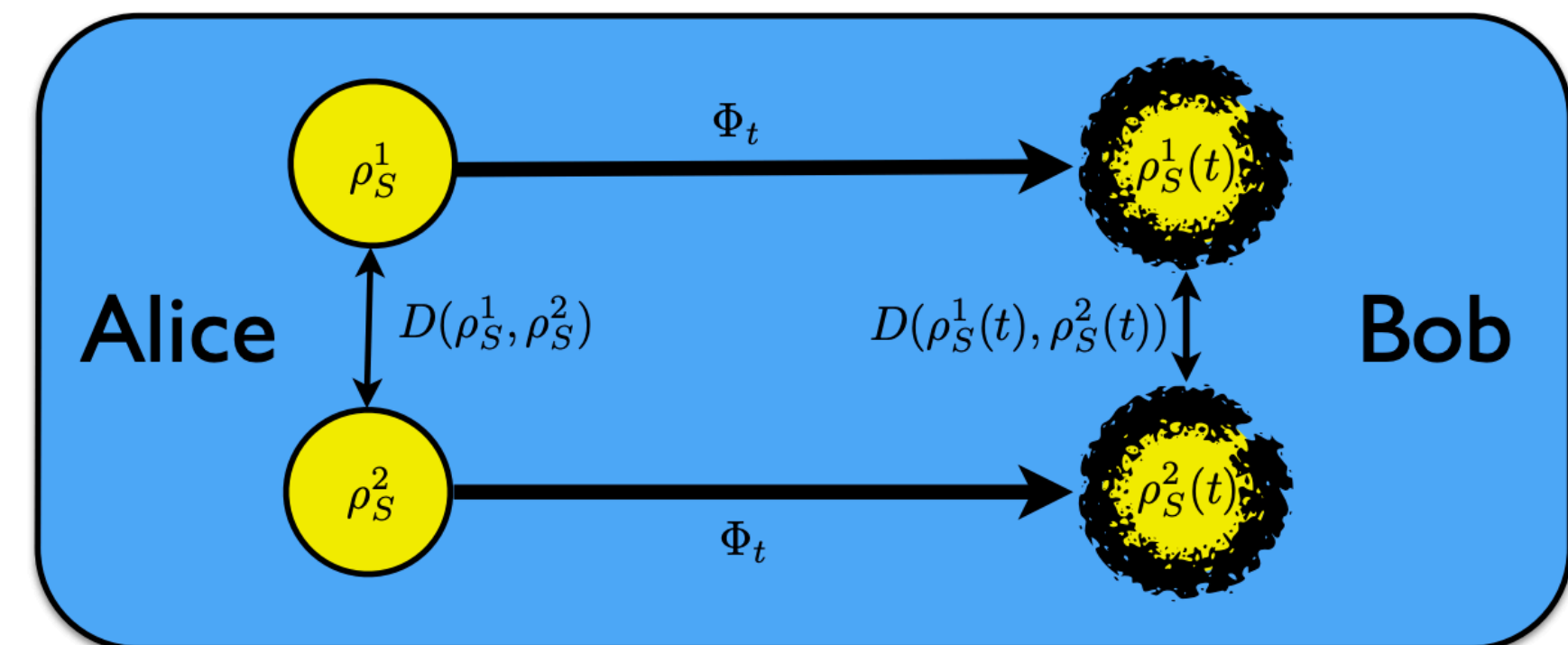
$$D(\rho, \sigma) = 1 \Rightarrow \rho \perp \sigma$$

➔ $P_{\max} = \frac{1}{2} [1 + D(\rho, \sigma)]$

maximum likelihood of distinguishing states ρ and σ with single shot measurement

Monotonicity under CPTP maps:

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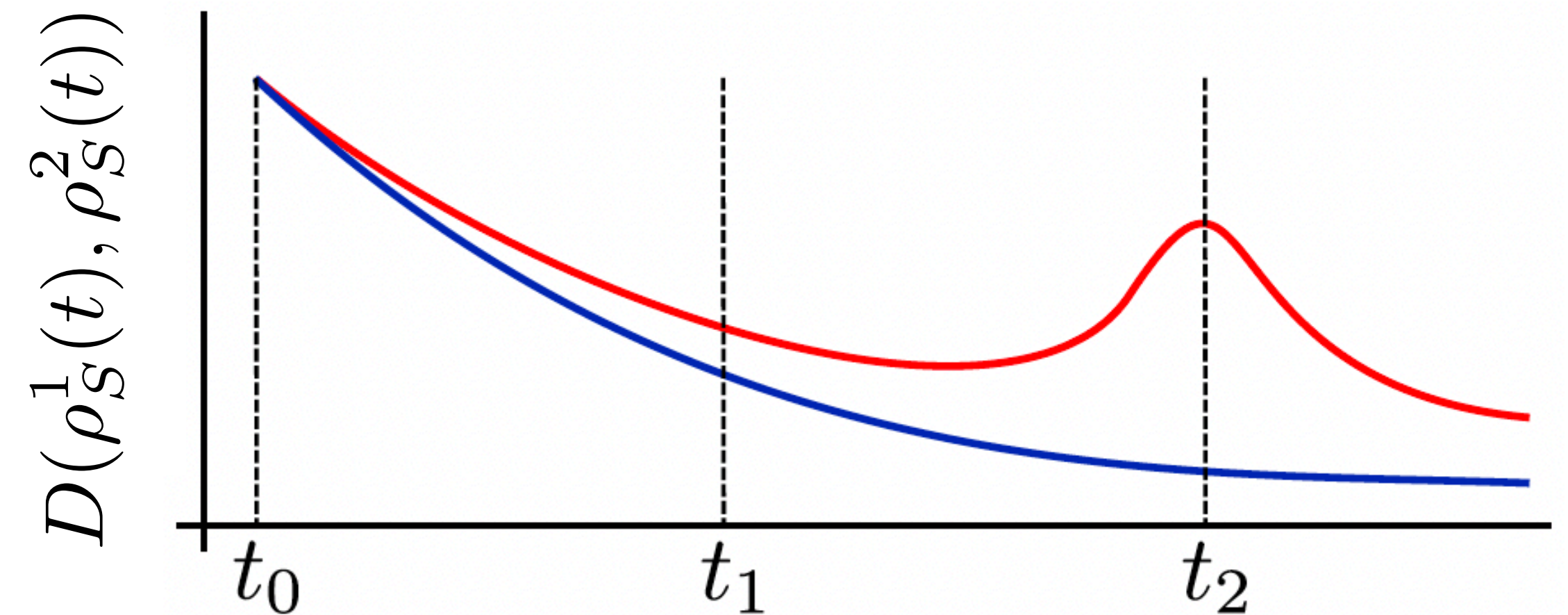


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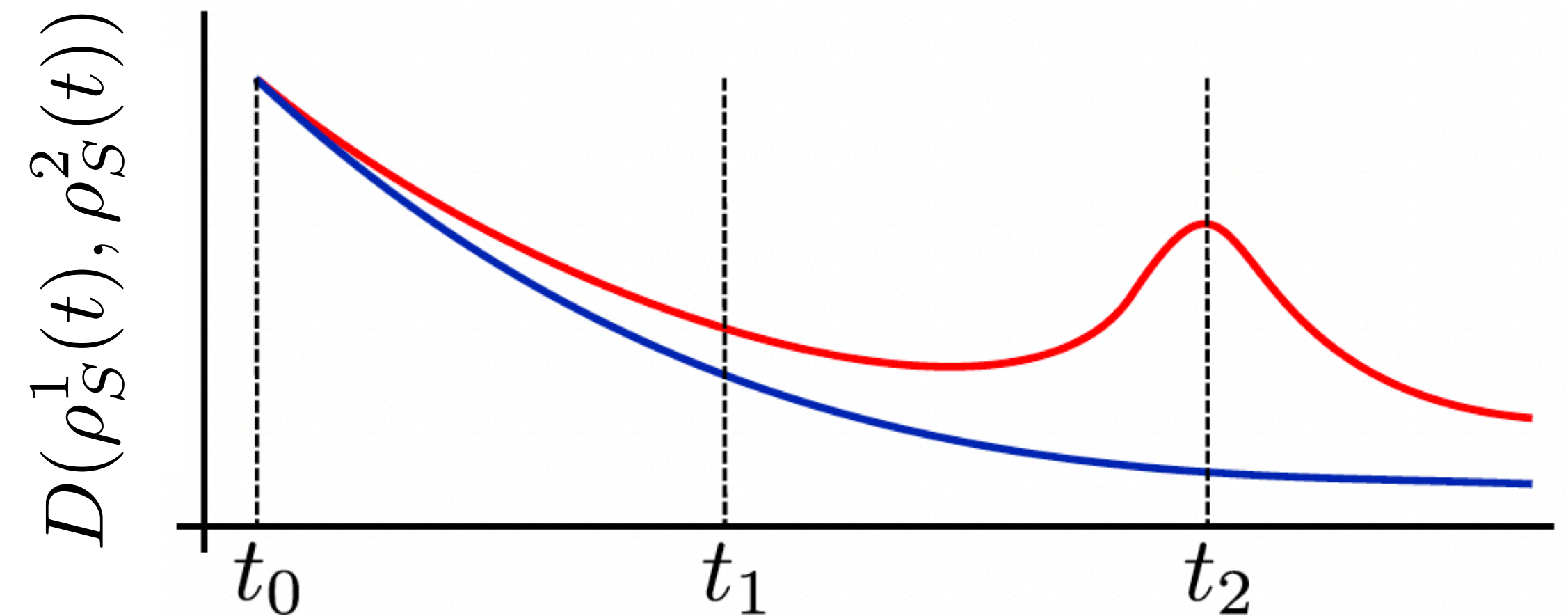
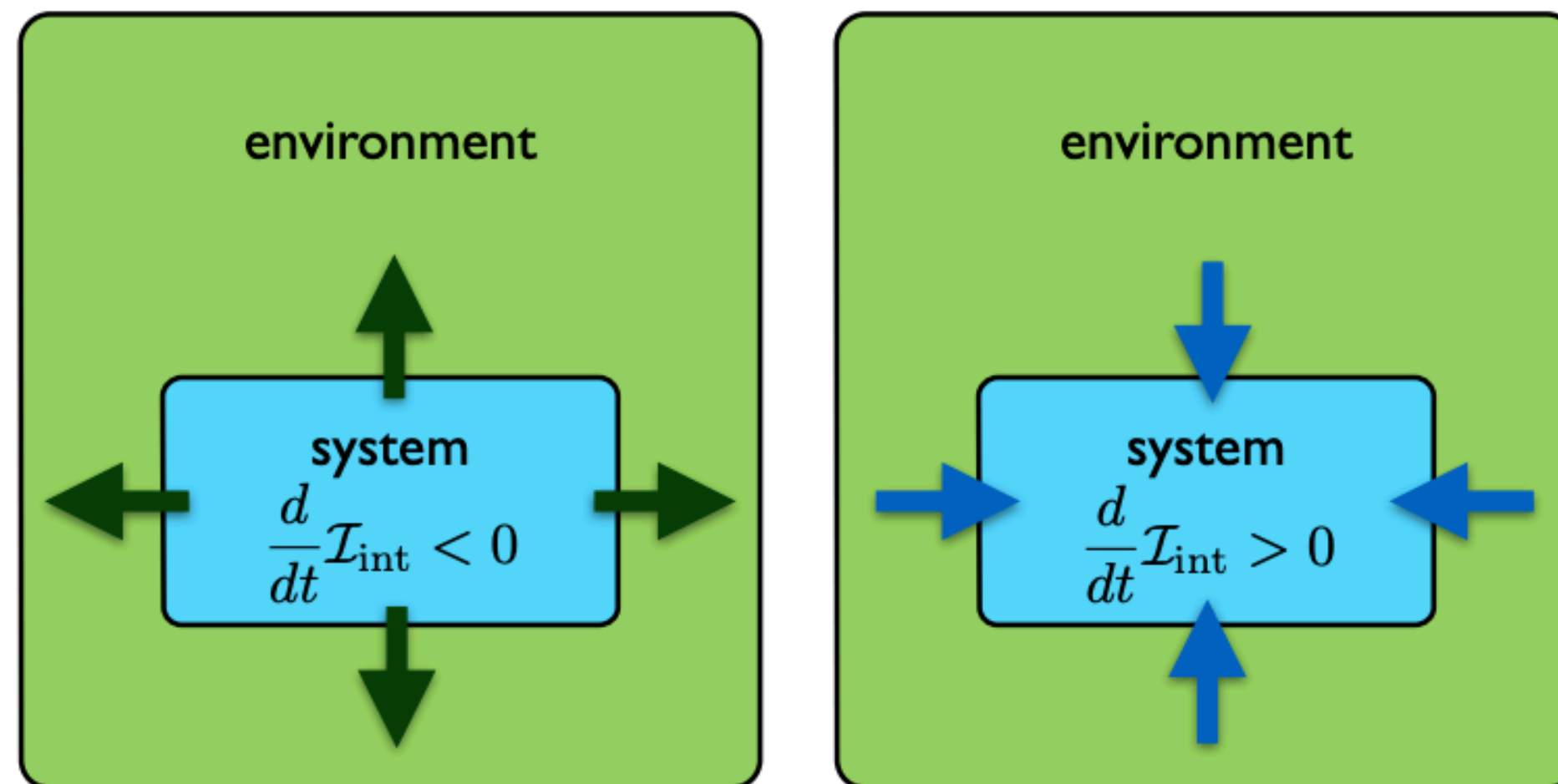
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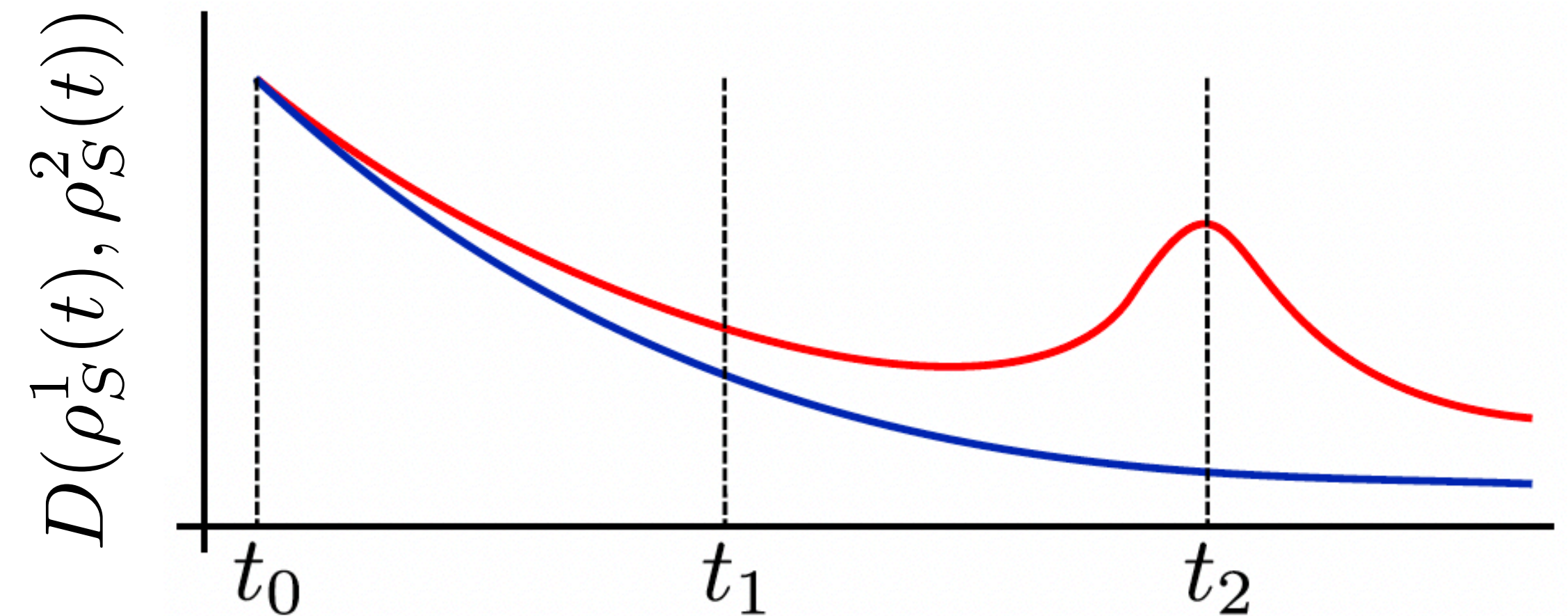
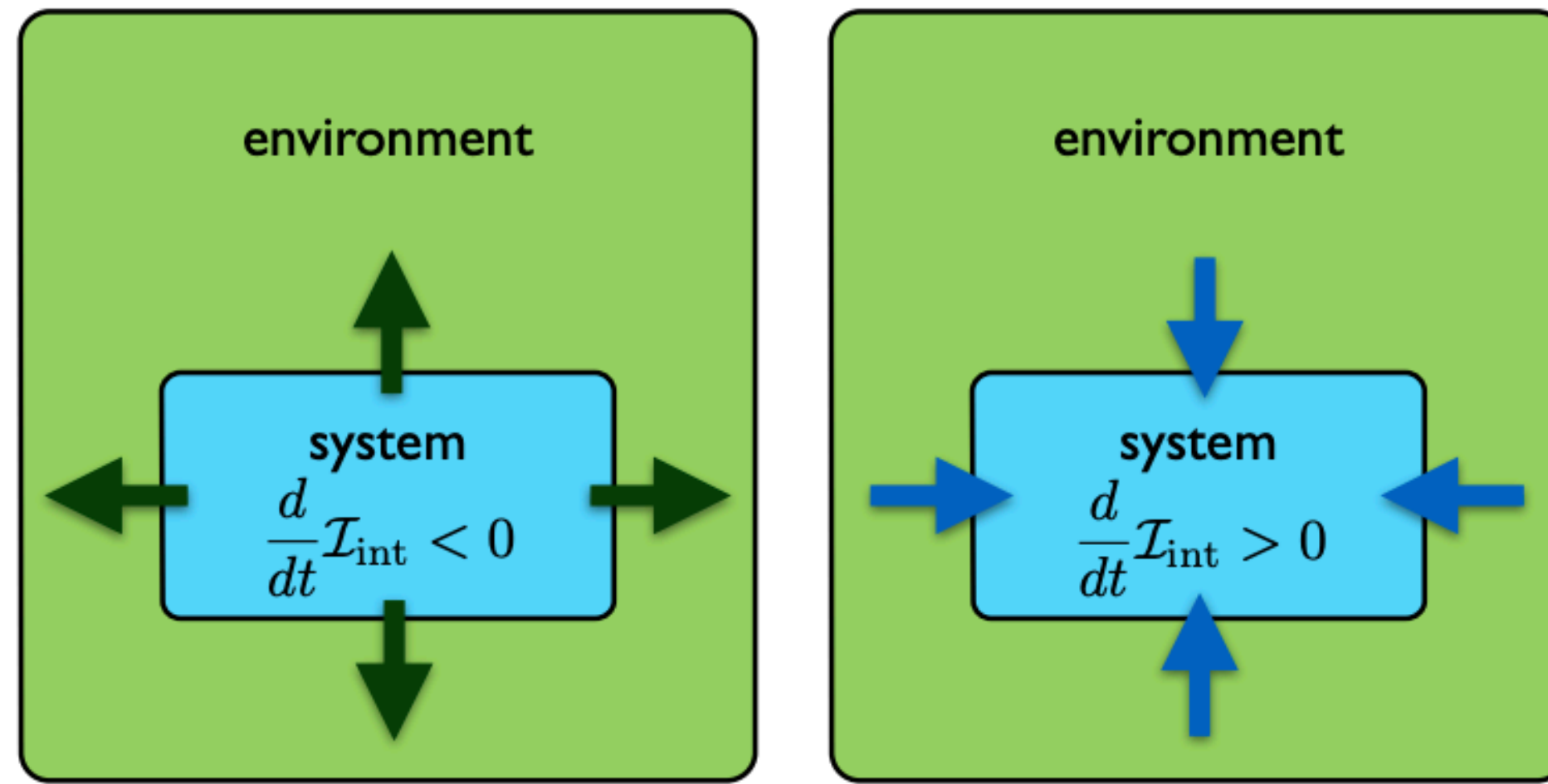
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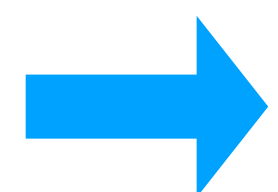
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see Marco's
lectures

$$S(t) = -2\text{Im} \left(\frac{\dot{c}_e(t)}{c_e(t)} \right) \quad \gamma(t) = -2\text{Re} \left(\frac{\dot{c}_e(t)}{c_e(t)} \right)$$

Lamb shift

Decay rate

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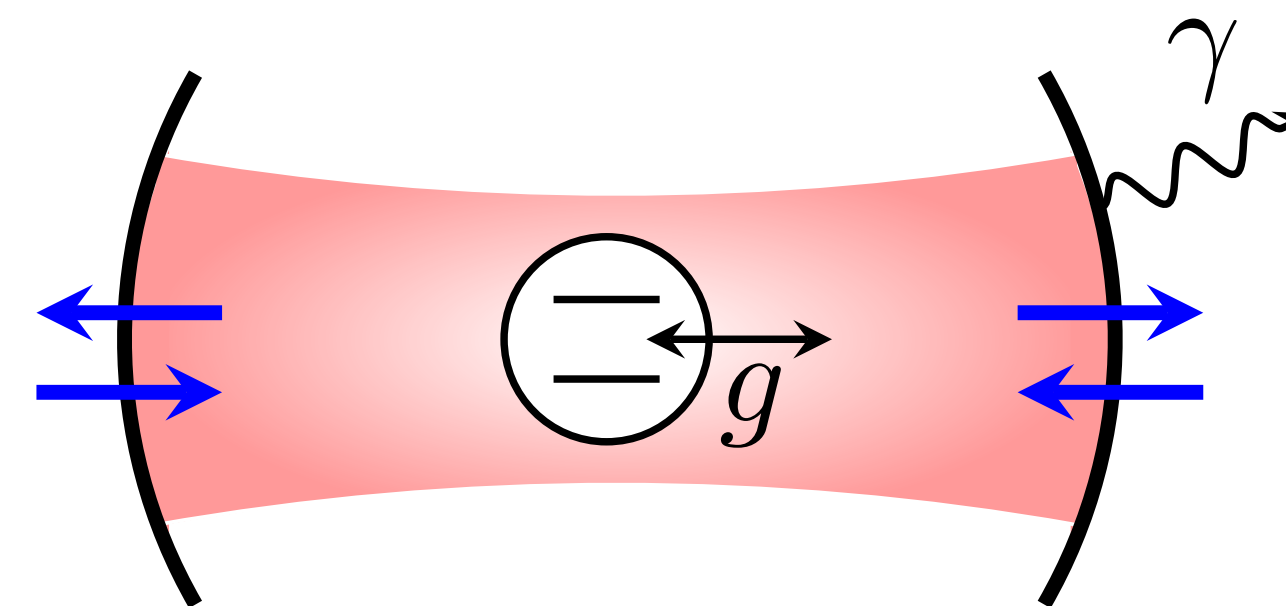
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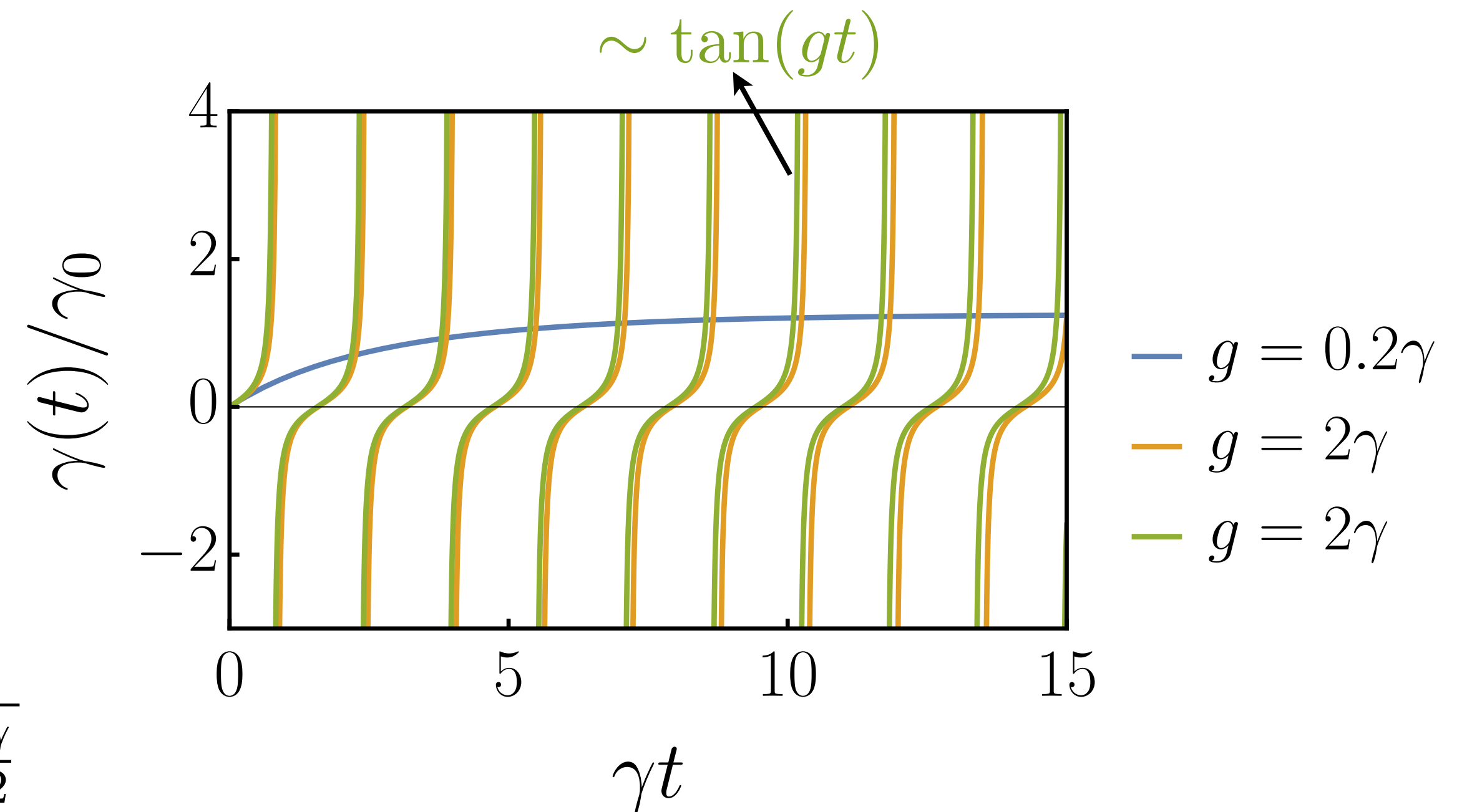
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$g \gg \gamma$ $\gamma(t) \approx 2g \tan(gt)$



$$\Omega = i\tilde{\Omega} = \frac{i}{2} \sqrt{4g^2 - (\gamma/2)^2} \quad \gamma_0 = \frac{4g^2}{\gamma}$$

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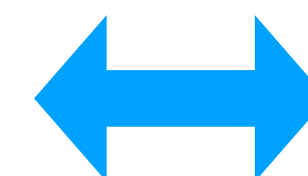
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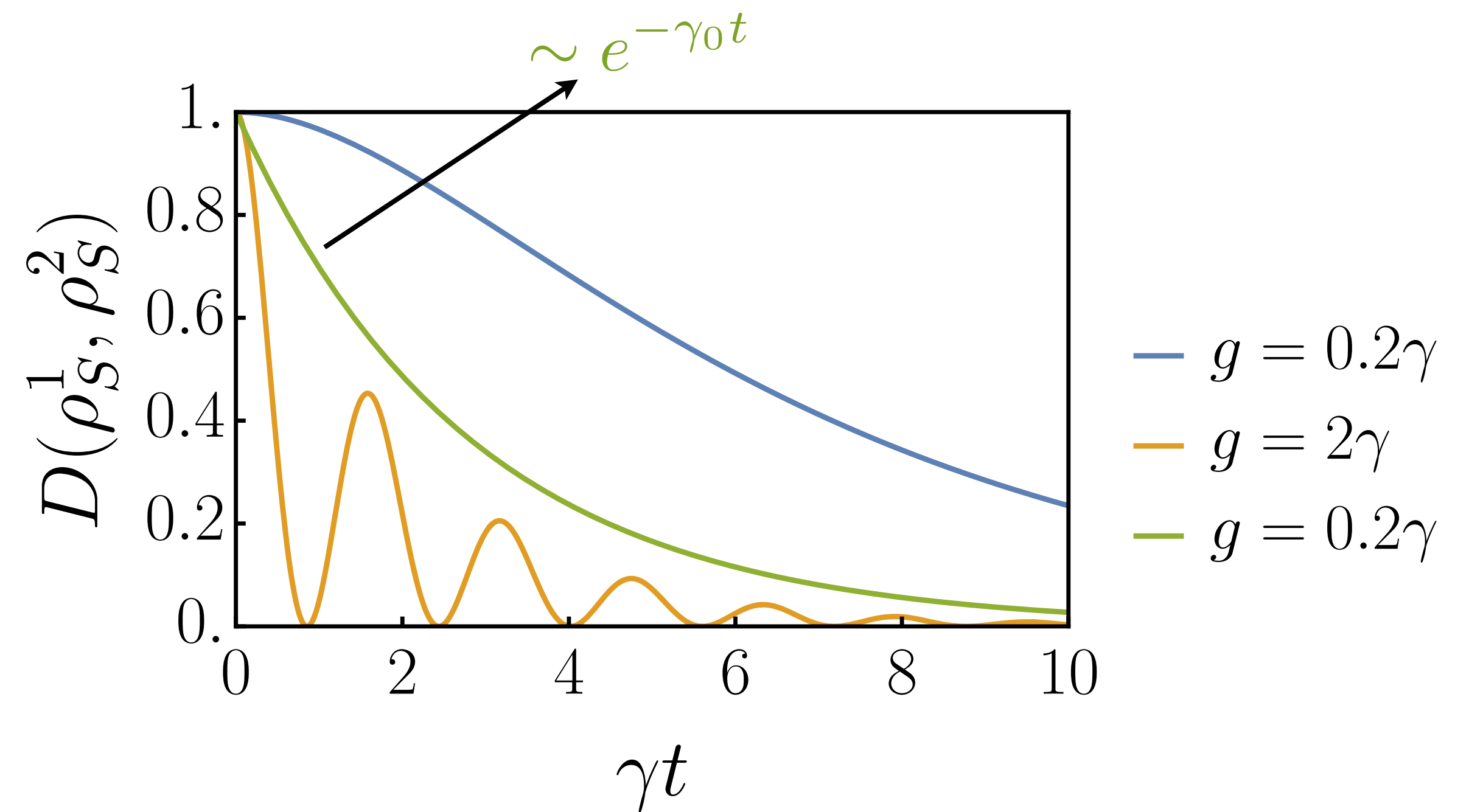
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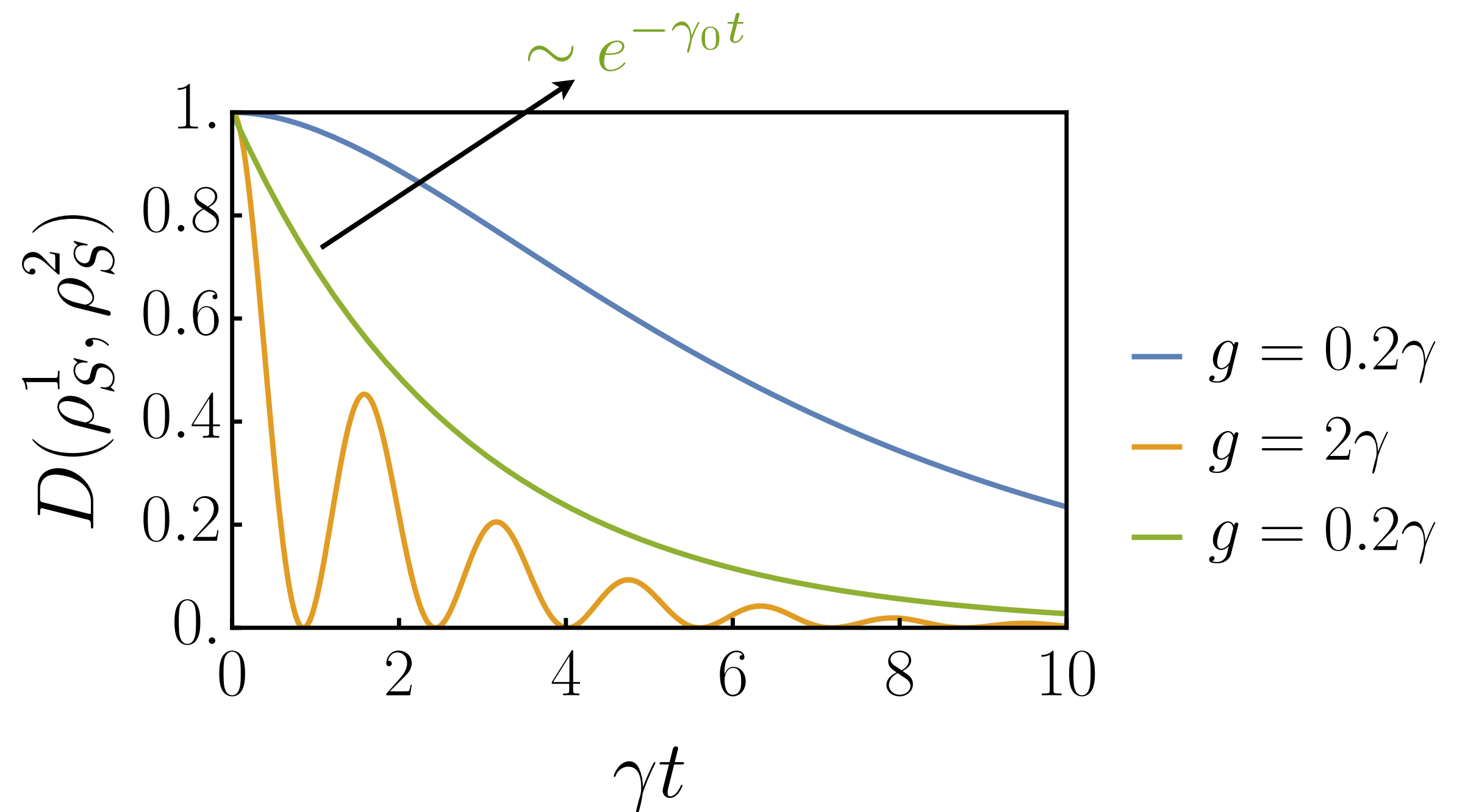
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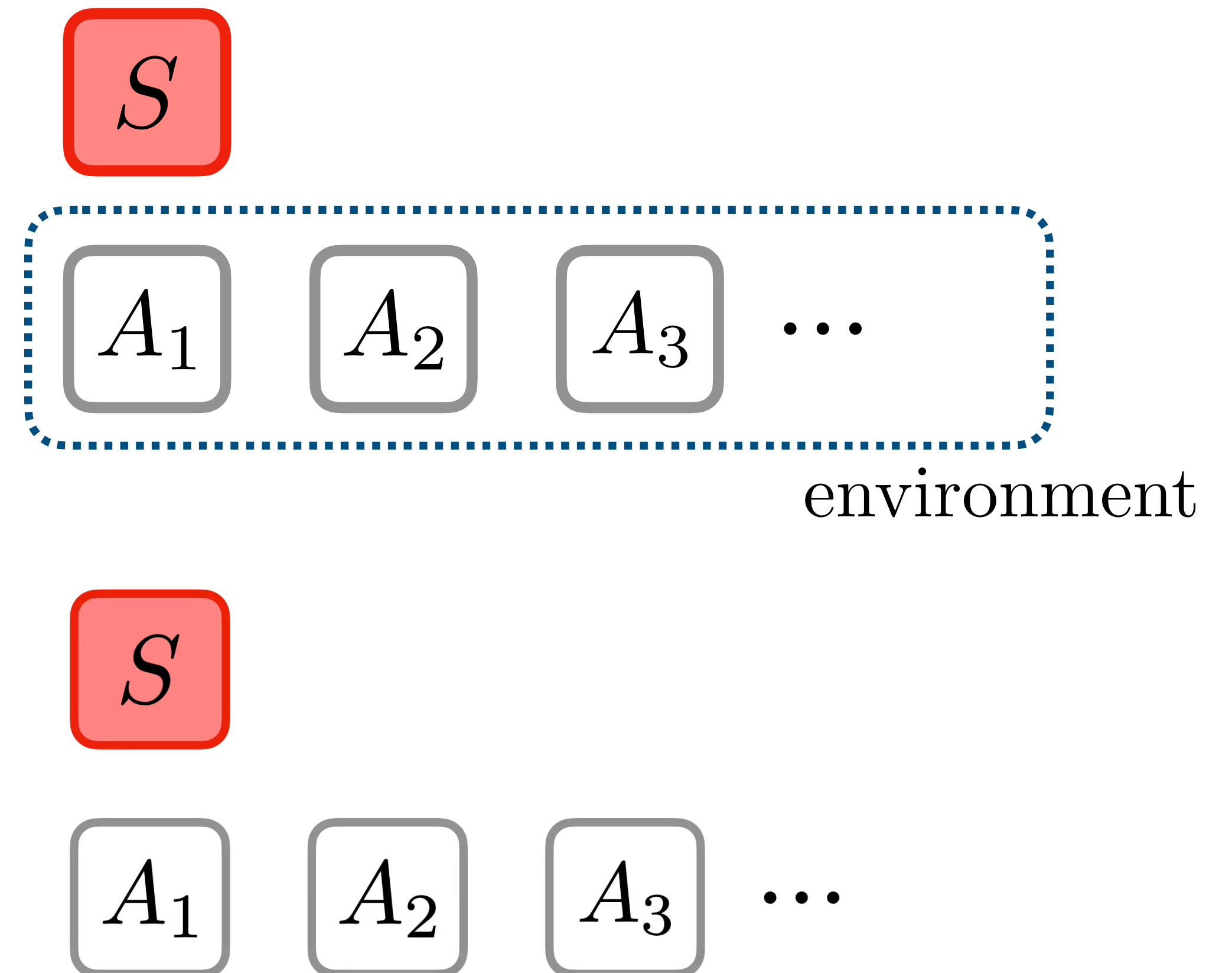
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- Same system+environment partition, but environment now made up of **discrete ancillas**.
- Collisions occur **in sequence**.
- New ancillas **added after each collision**:

$$\rho \in \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{H}_S \otimes \mathcal{H}_{A_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{H}_{A_n})$$



Basic collision models

- Basic CM assumptions:
 - Components initially **uncorrelated**:

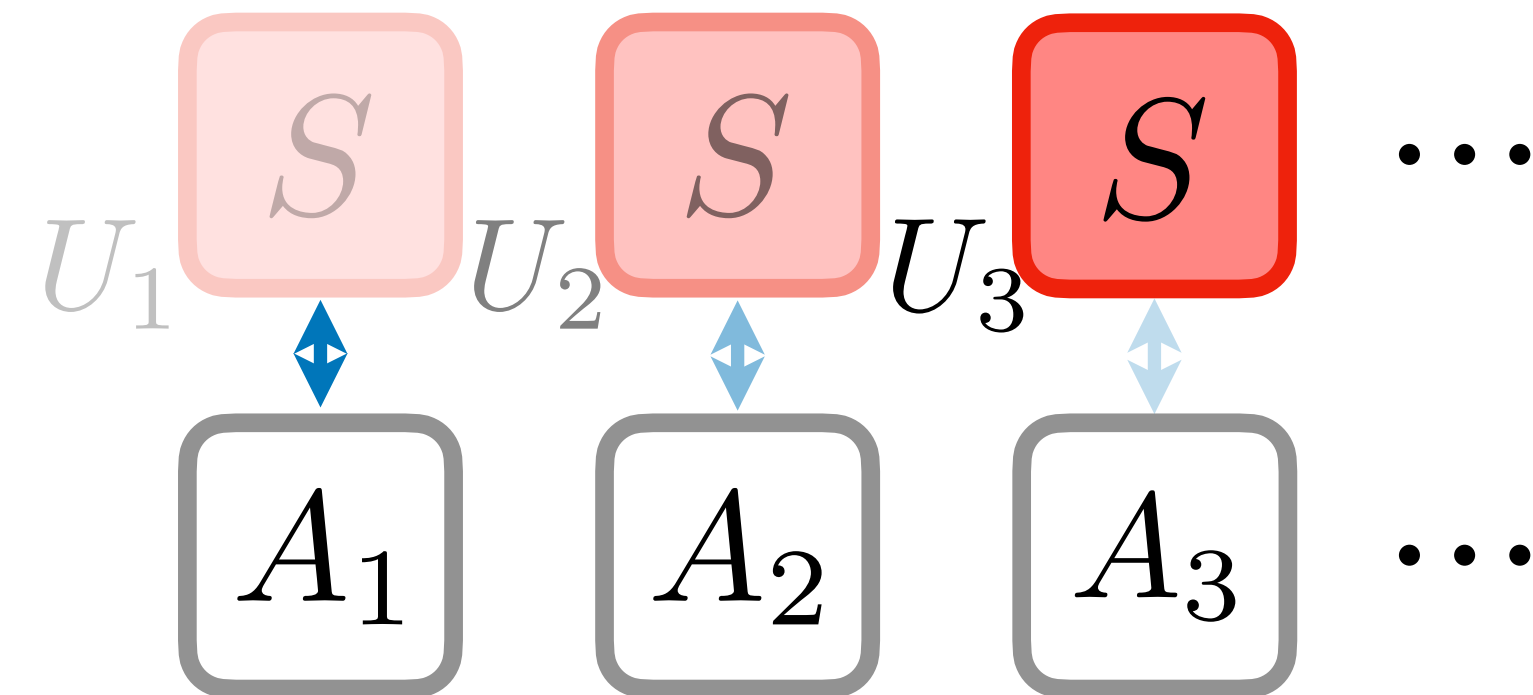
$$\rho(0) = \rho_S(0) \otimes \rho_{A_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \rho_{A_n}$$

- System collides with each **ancilla once**:

$$\rho(n) = \mathcal{U}_n \circ \dots \circ \mathcal{U}_1 \rho(0)$$

$$= U_n (U_{n-1} \dots (U_1 \rho(0) U_1^\dagger) \dots U_{n-1}^\dagger) U_n^\dagger$$

- No **ancilla-ancilla collisions**.



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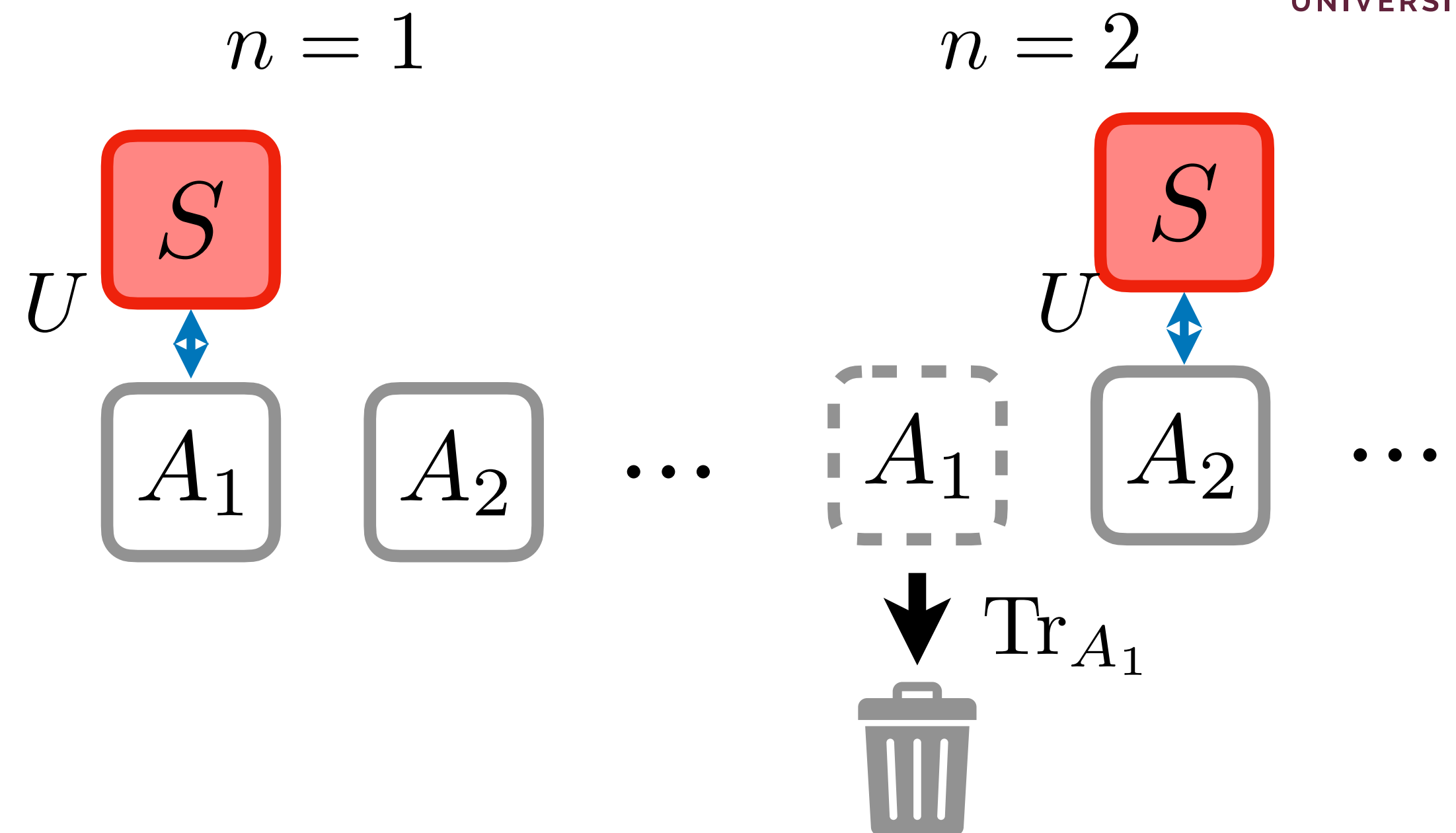
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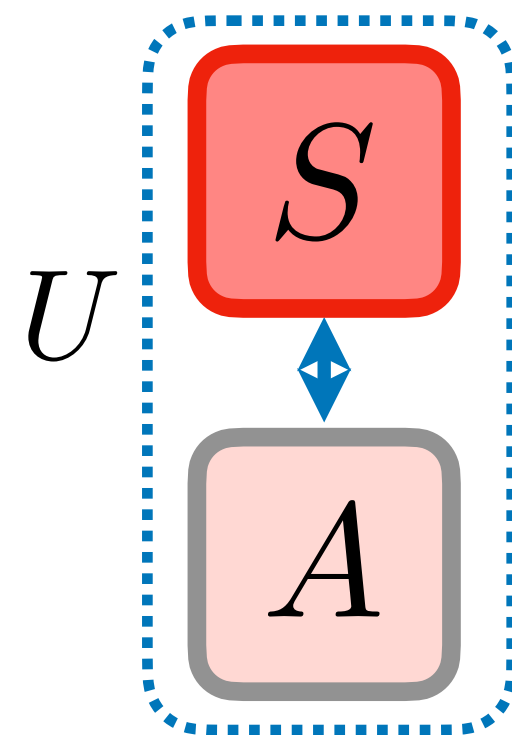
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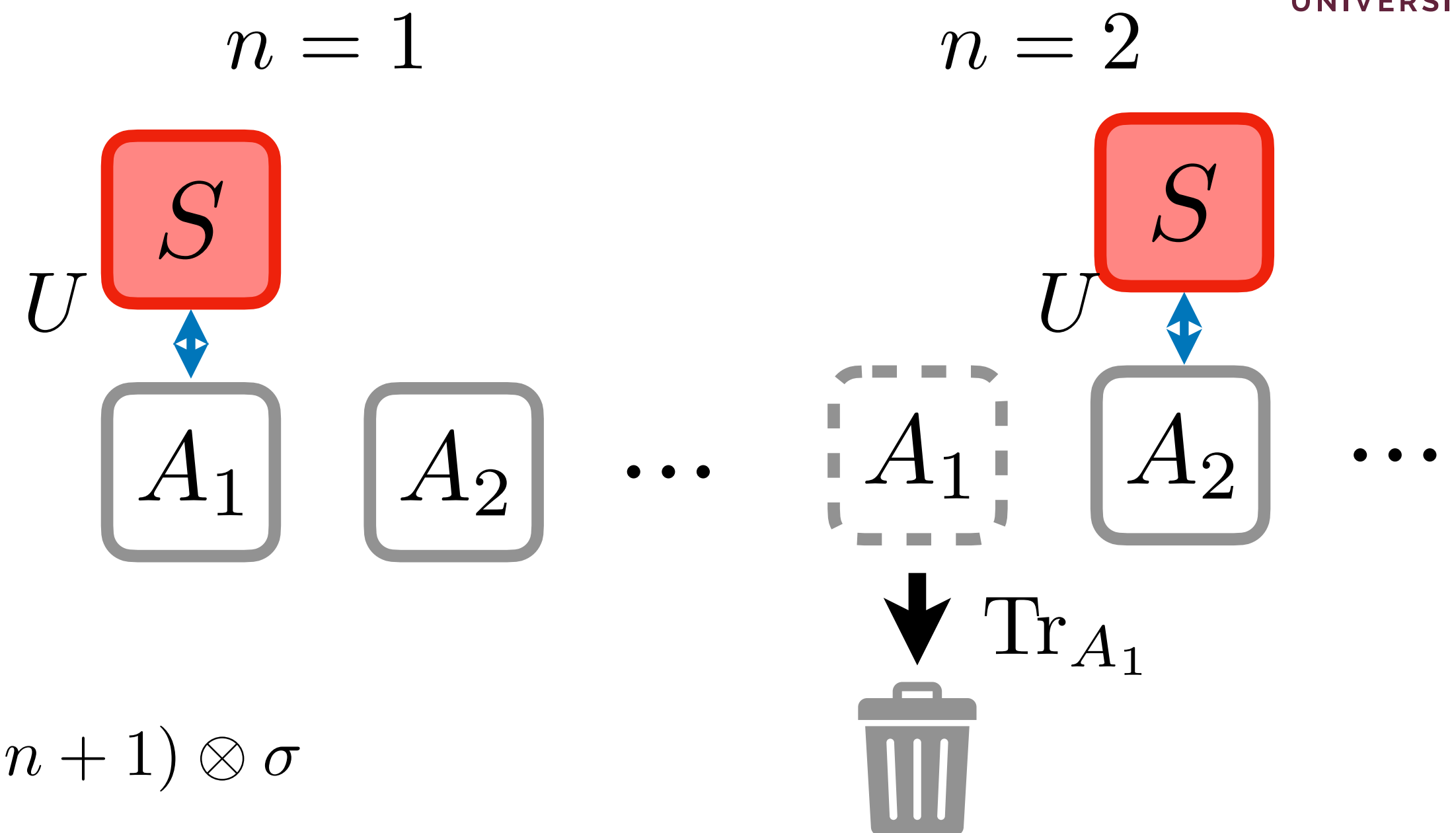
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ancilla
reset →

correlate

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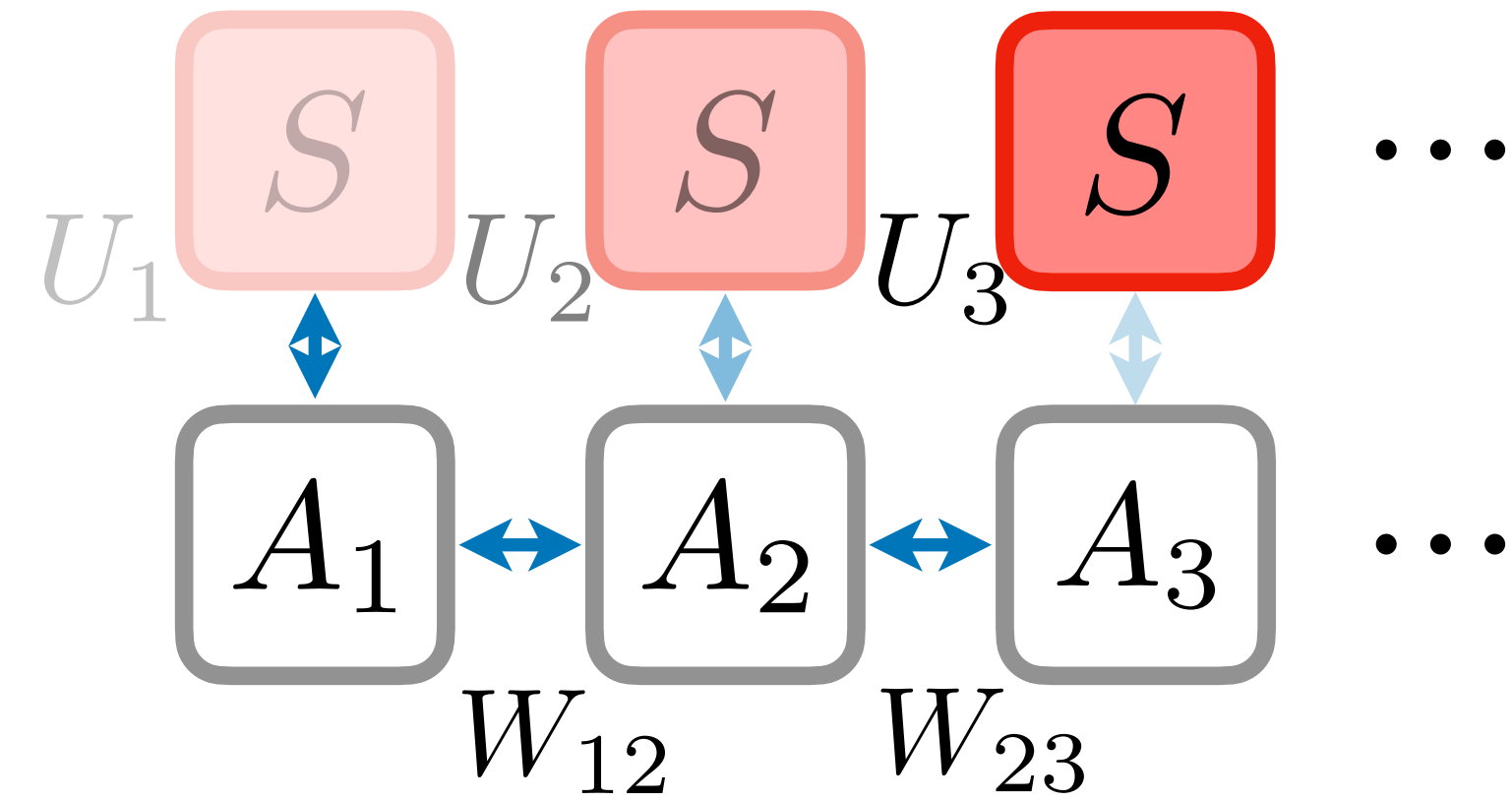
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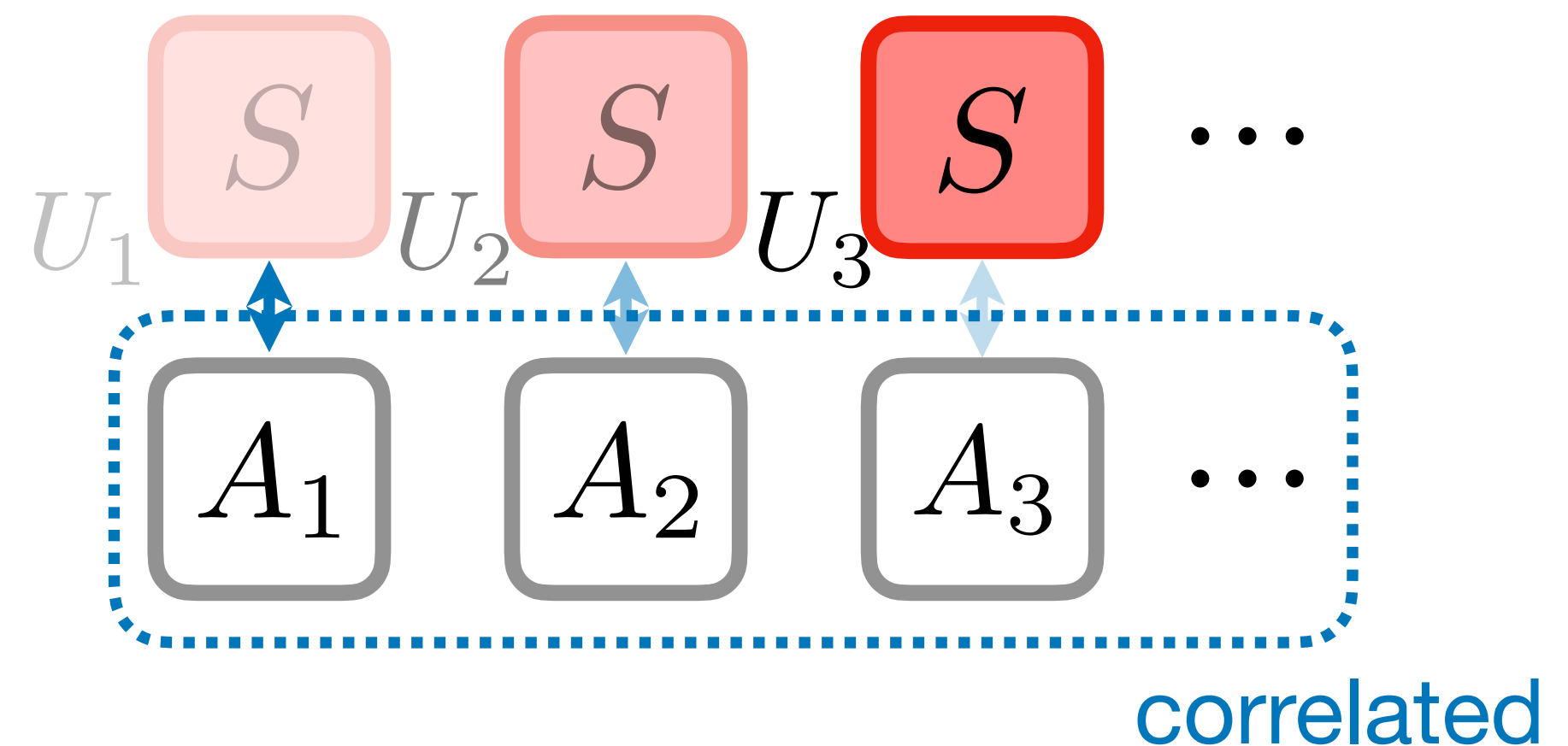
$$U' = WU$$



- Initial correlations:

$$\rho(n) = U(\dots U(\rho_S(0) \otimes \sigma(0))U^{\dagger} \dots)U^{\dagger}$$

$$\sigma(0) \neq \underbrace{\sigma \otimes \dots \otimes \sigma}_{n \text{ times}}$$



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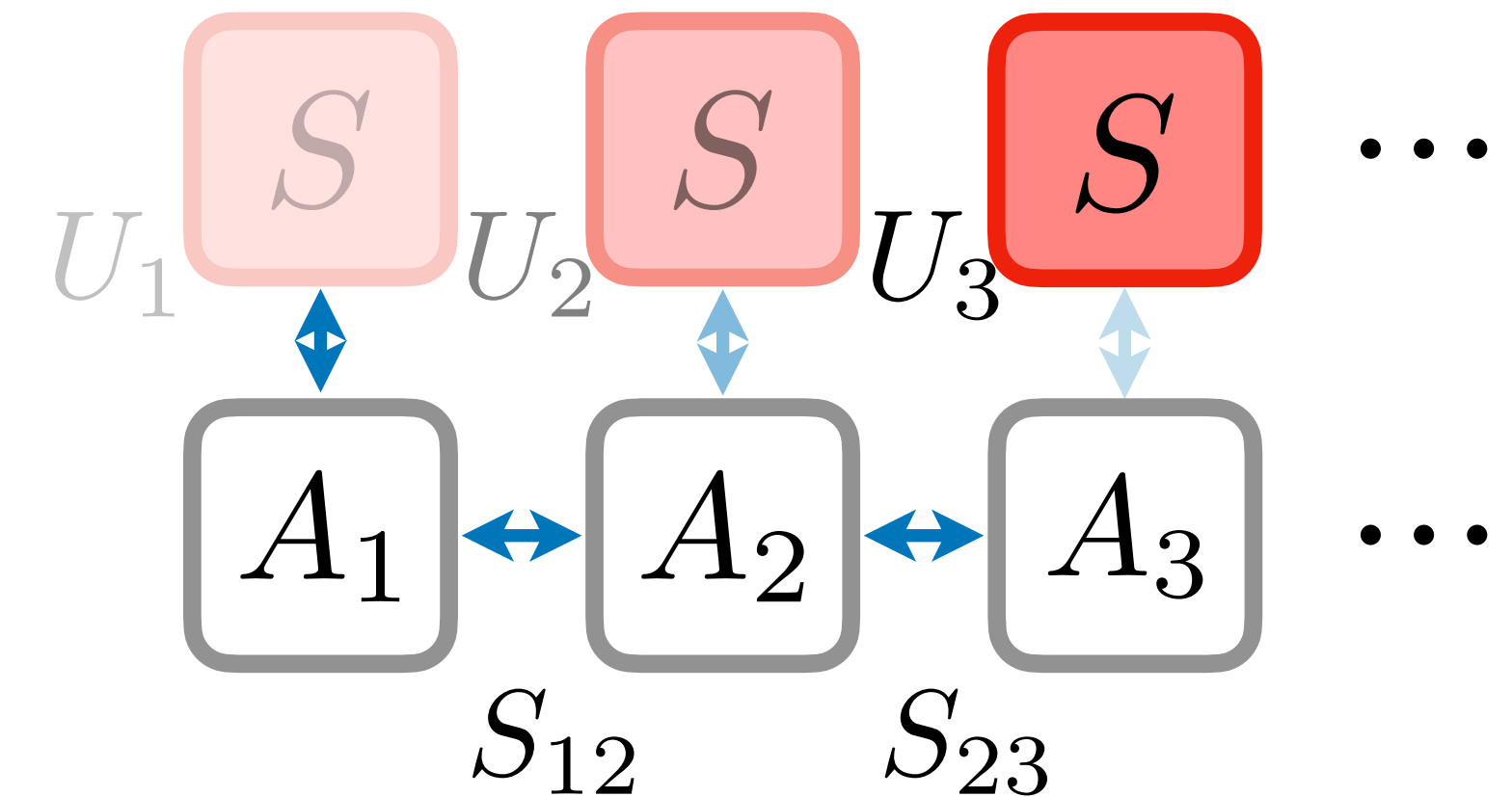
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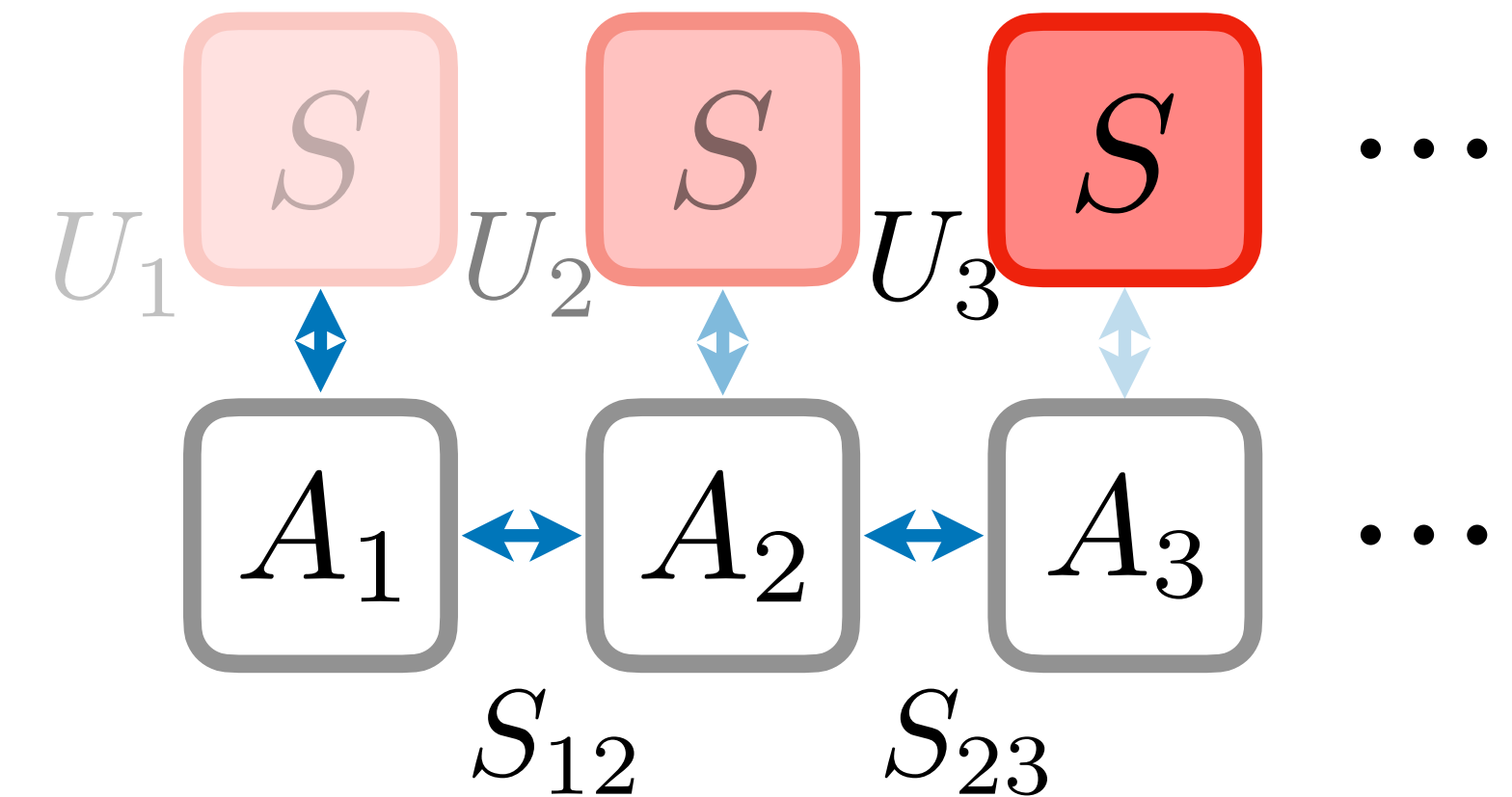
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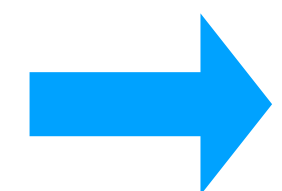
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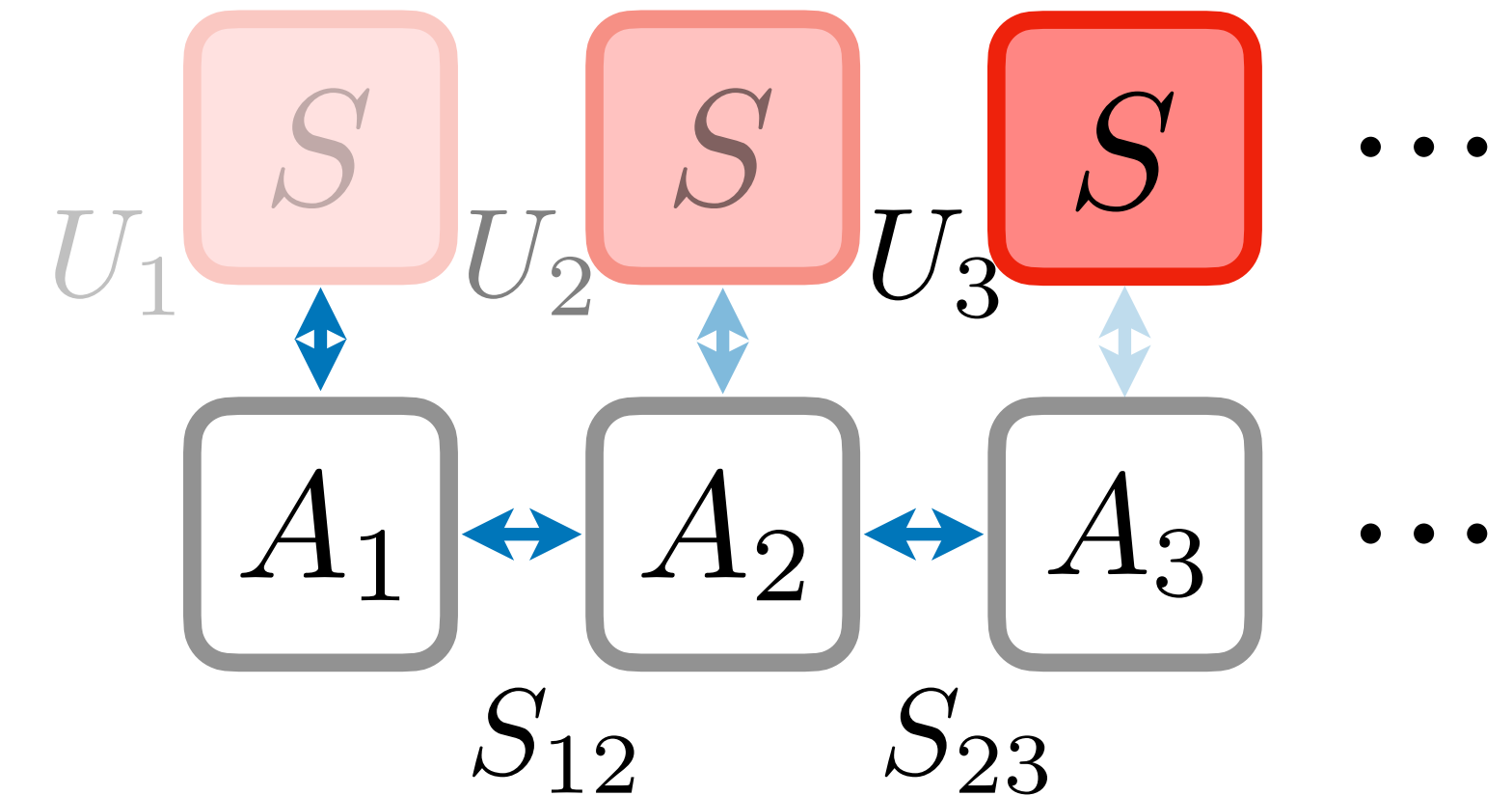
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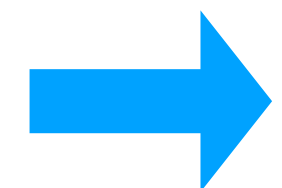
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$p = 0$ Markovian

$$\rho_S(n) = \Phi_1[\rho_S(n - 1)]$$

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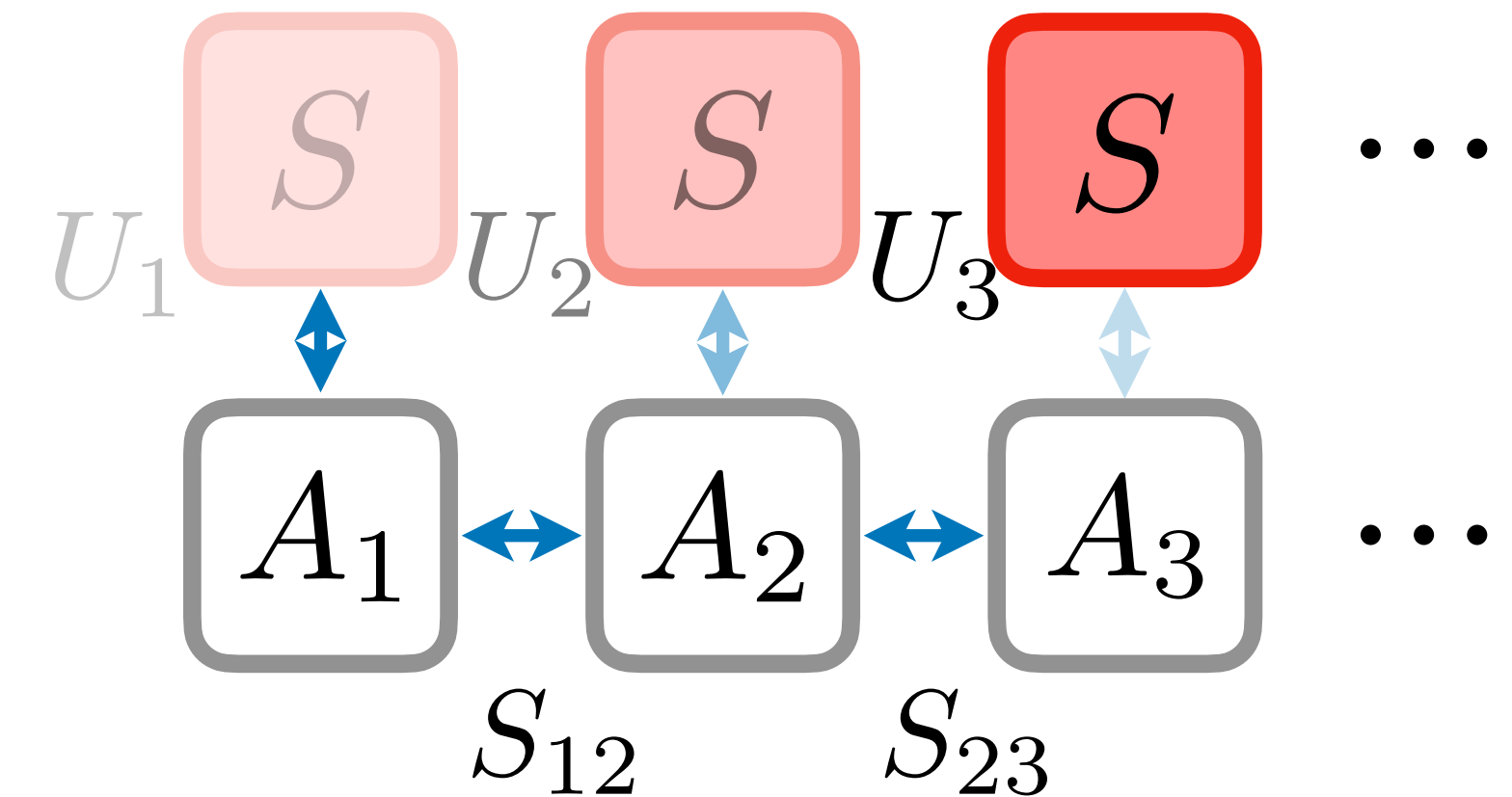
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γ^{-1} memory time

Non-Markovian collision models

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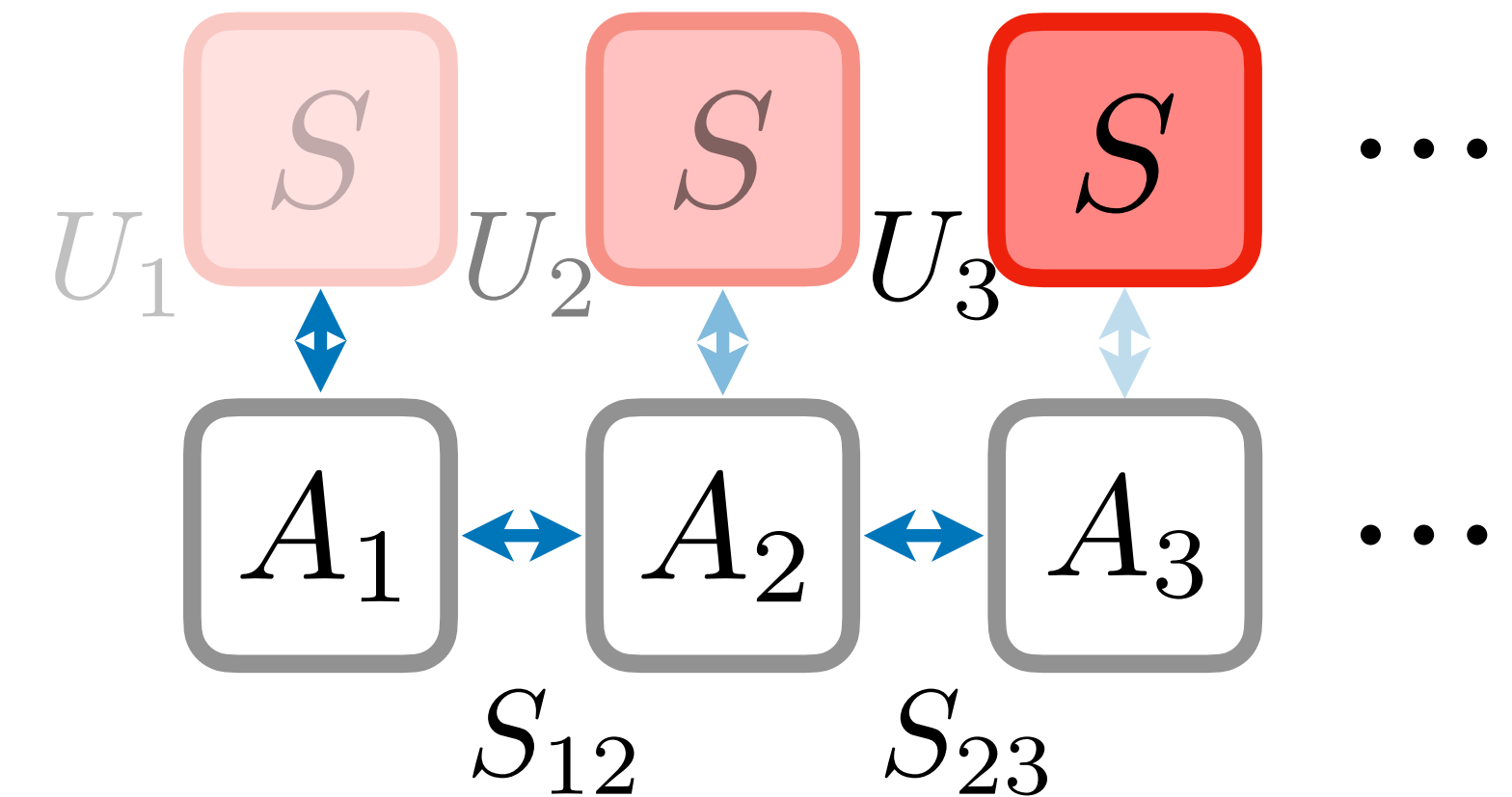
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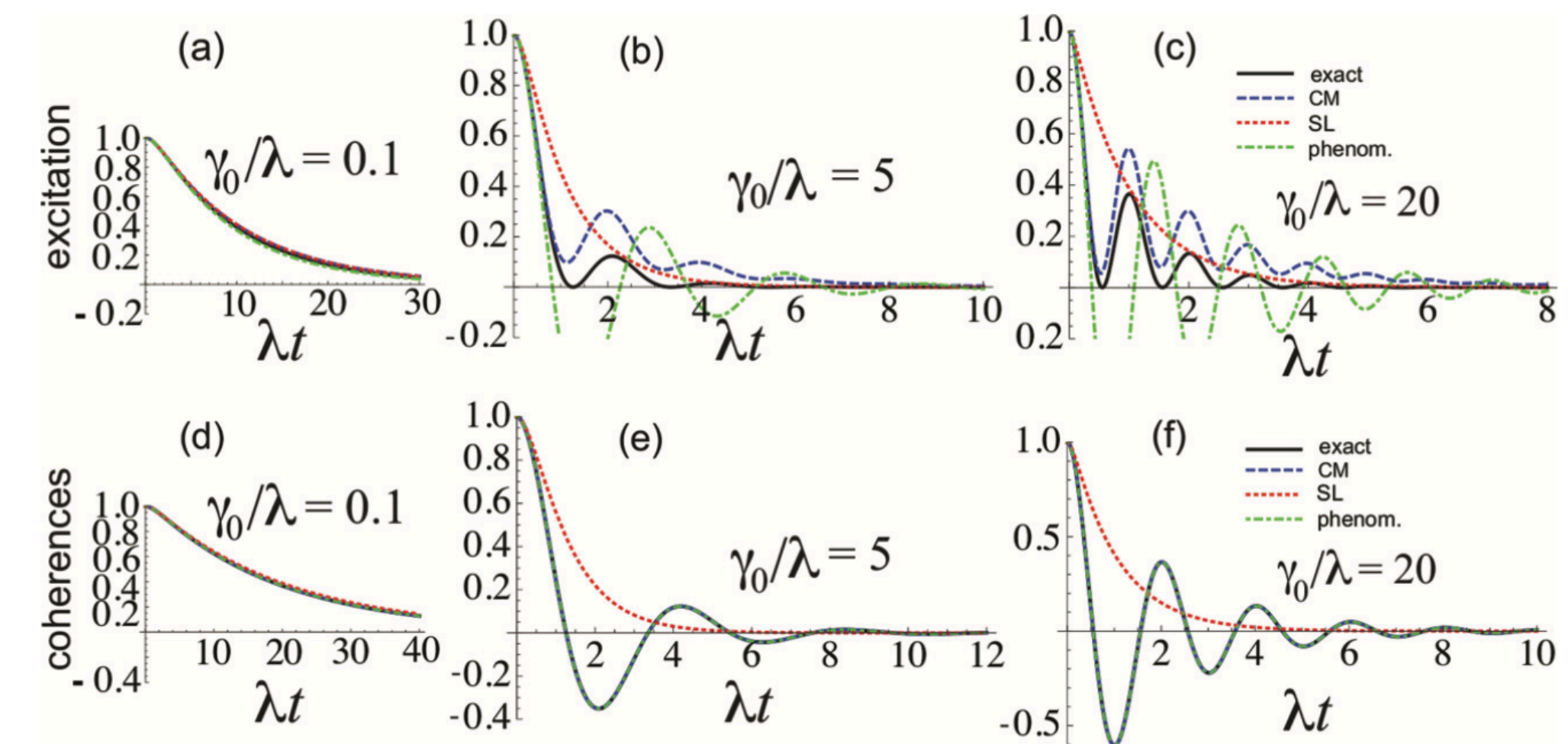
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F. Ciccarello et al, PRA 87, 040103(R) (2013)



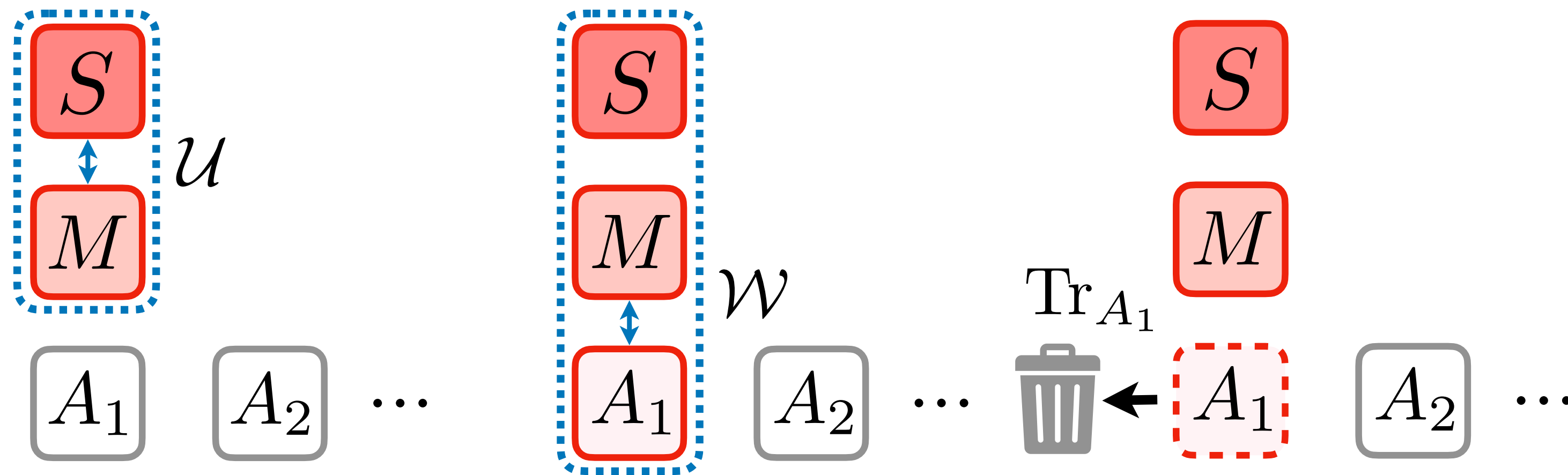
Two-level atom + vacuum reservoir



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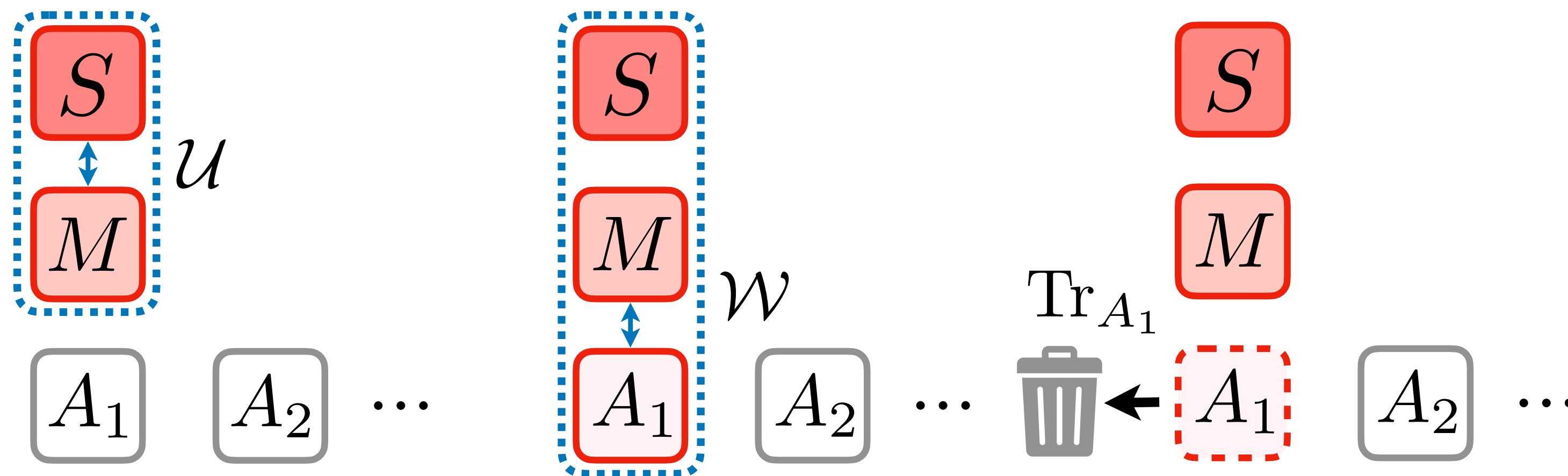
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CPTP map for enlarged system



Composite CM

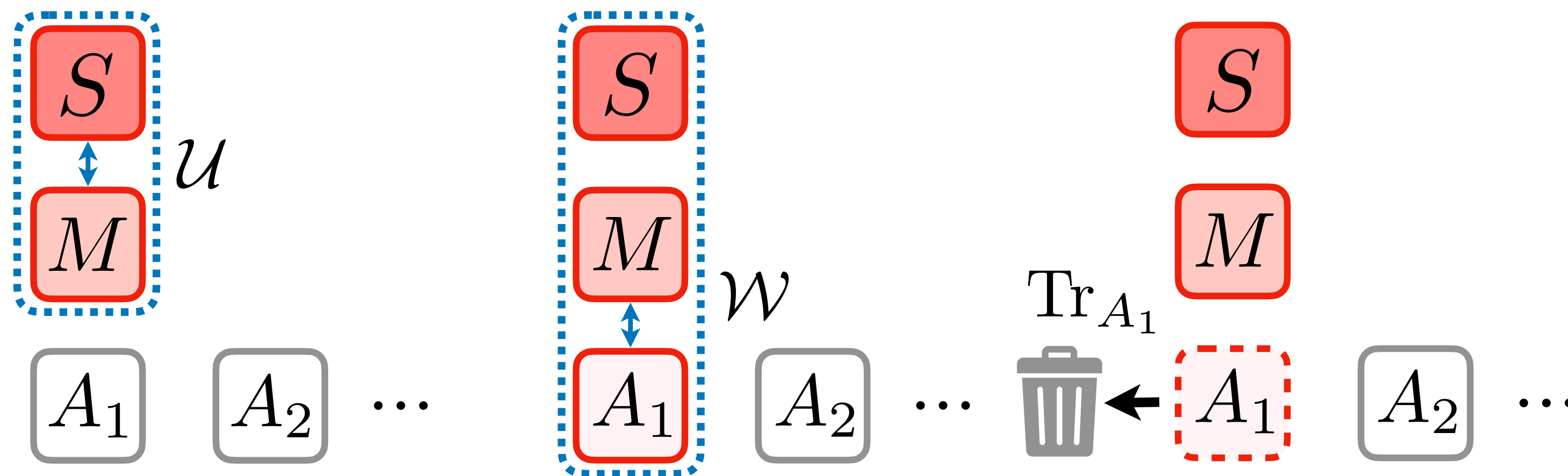
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➔ $\rho_S(n) = \text{Tr}_M \text{Tr}_A[\mathcal{U}'(\rho_{SM}(n-1) \otimes \sigma)] := \Phi_n[\rho_S(0)]$ **system map generally indivisible**

$$\Phi_n \neq \Phi_{n-m} \Phi_m$$



Composite CM

Two-level atom + vacuum reservoir:

$$U = e^{-i\tau(V_{SM} + H_M)} \quad W_j = e^{-i\tau H_{I_j}} \quad S, M, R \text{ qubits}$$

where

$$V_{SM} = g(\sigma_+ \sigma_-^M + \sigma_- \sigma_+^M) \quad H_{I_j} = \kappa(\sigma_+^M \sigma_-^{A_j} + \sigma_-^M \sigma_+^{A_j}) \quad H_M = \Delta \sigma_+^M \sigma_-^M$$

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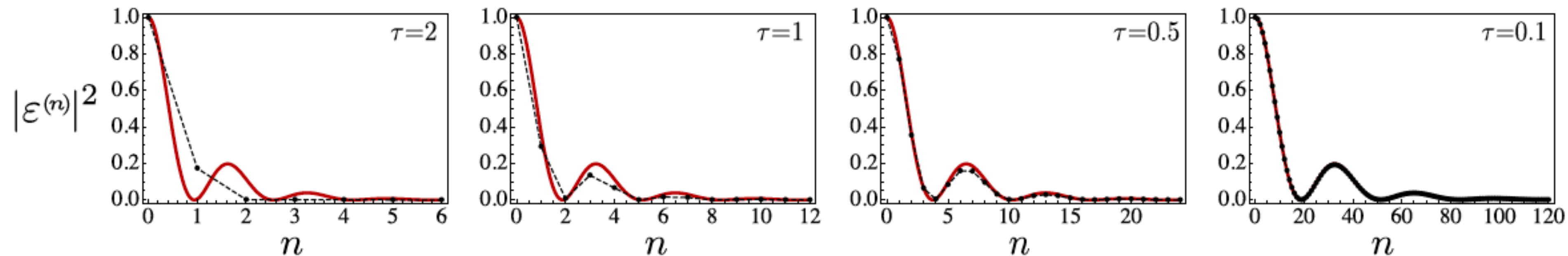
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$$|\psi_n\rangle = \varepsilon^{(n)} |e, 0, \vec{0}\rangle + \beta^{(n)} |g, 1, \vec{0}\rangle + \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j^{(n)} \sigma_+^{A_j} |g, 0, \vec{0}\rangle$$

initially excited atom $|\varepsilon^{(0)}|^2 = 1$

*see Marco's lectures



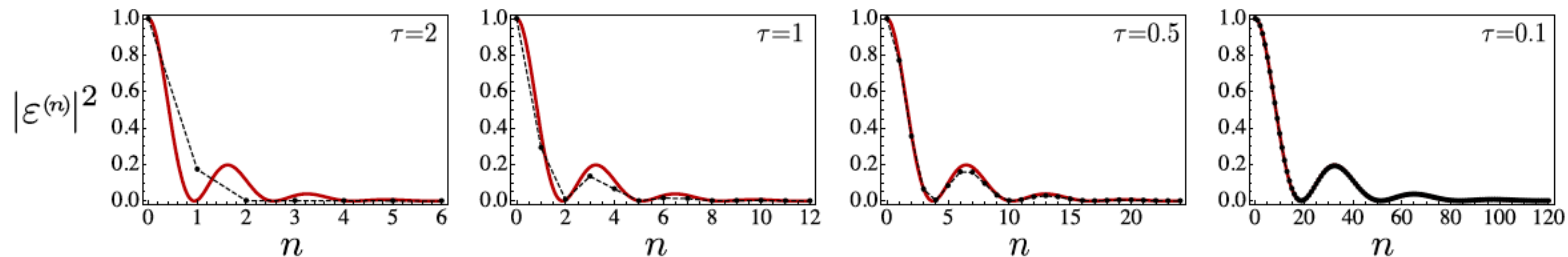
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Two-level atom + vacuum reservoir:

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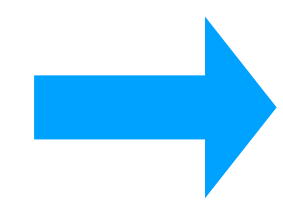
S. Lorenzo et al., PRA 96, 32107 (2017)

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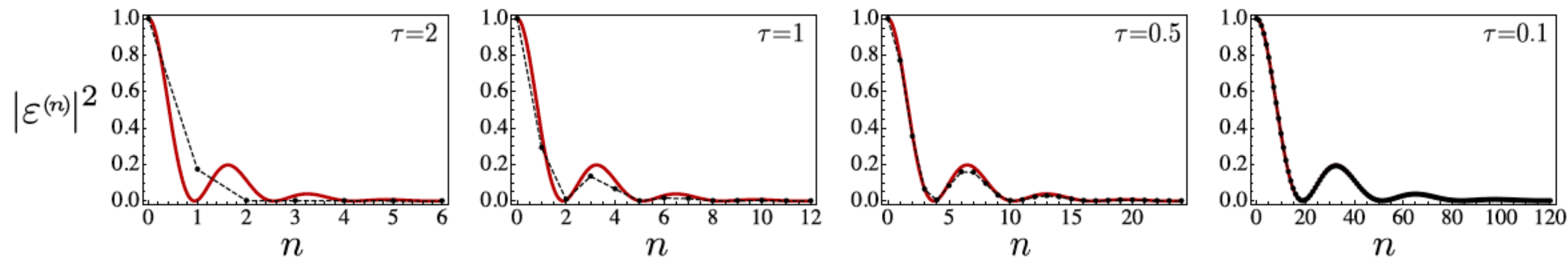
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$$|\varepsilon(t)|^2 = e^{-\gamma t/2} \left[\cosh(\Omega t) + \frac{\gamma}{4\Omega} \sinh(\Omega t) \right]^2$$

$$\Omega = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{(\gamma/2)^2 - 4g^2}$$

*equivalent to $|G(t)|^2$ in continuous time limit



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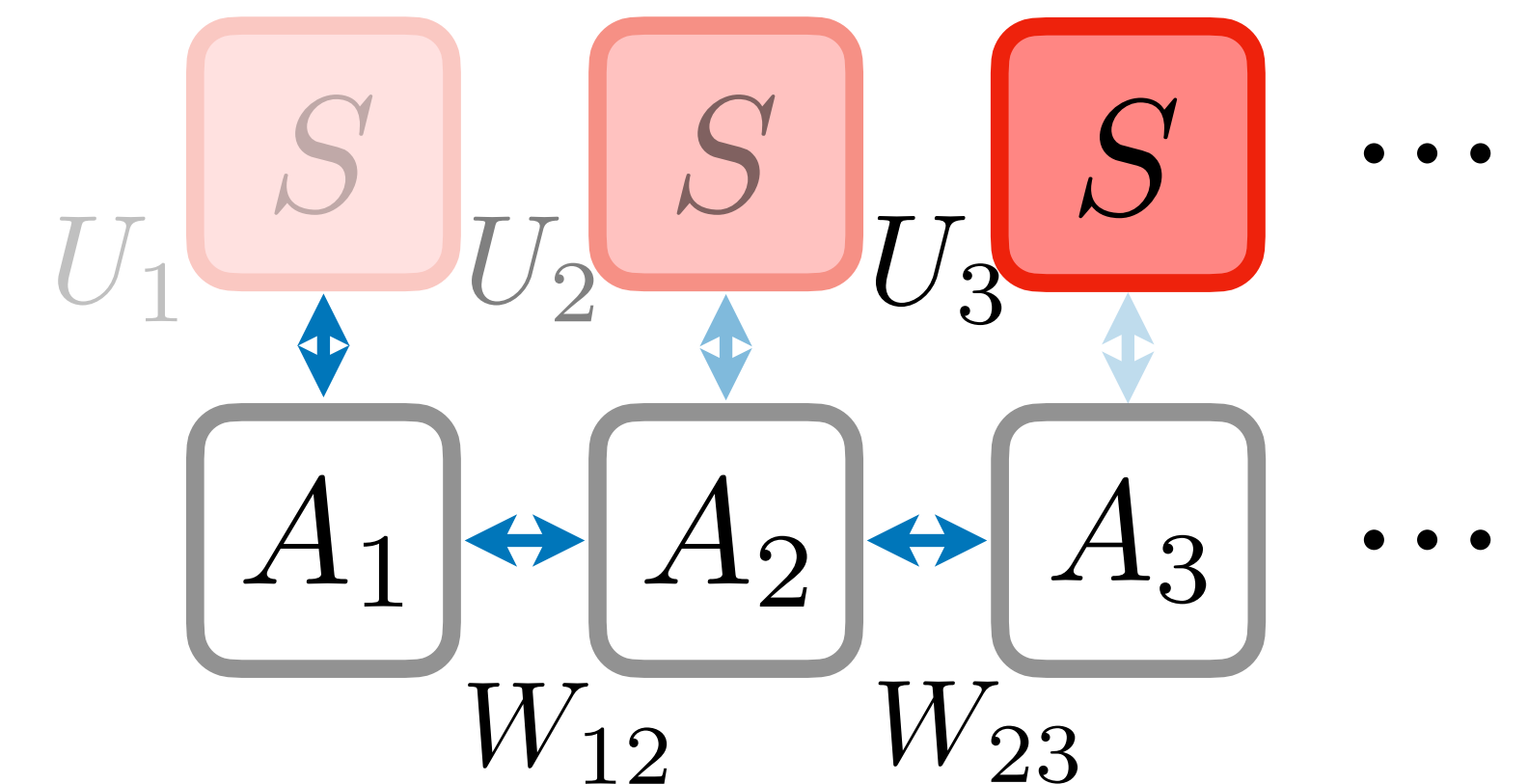
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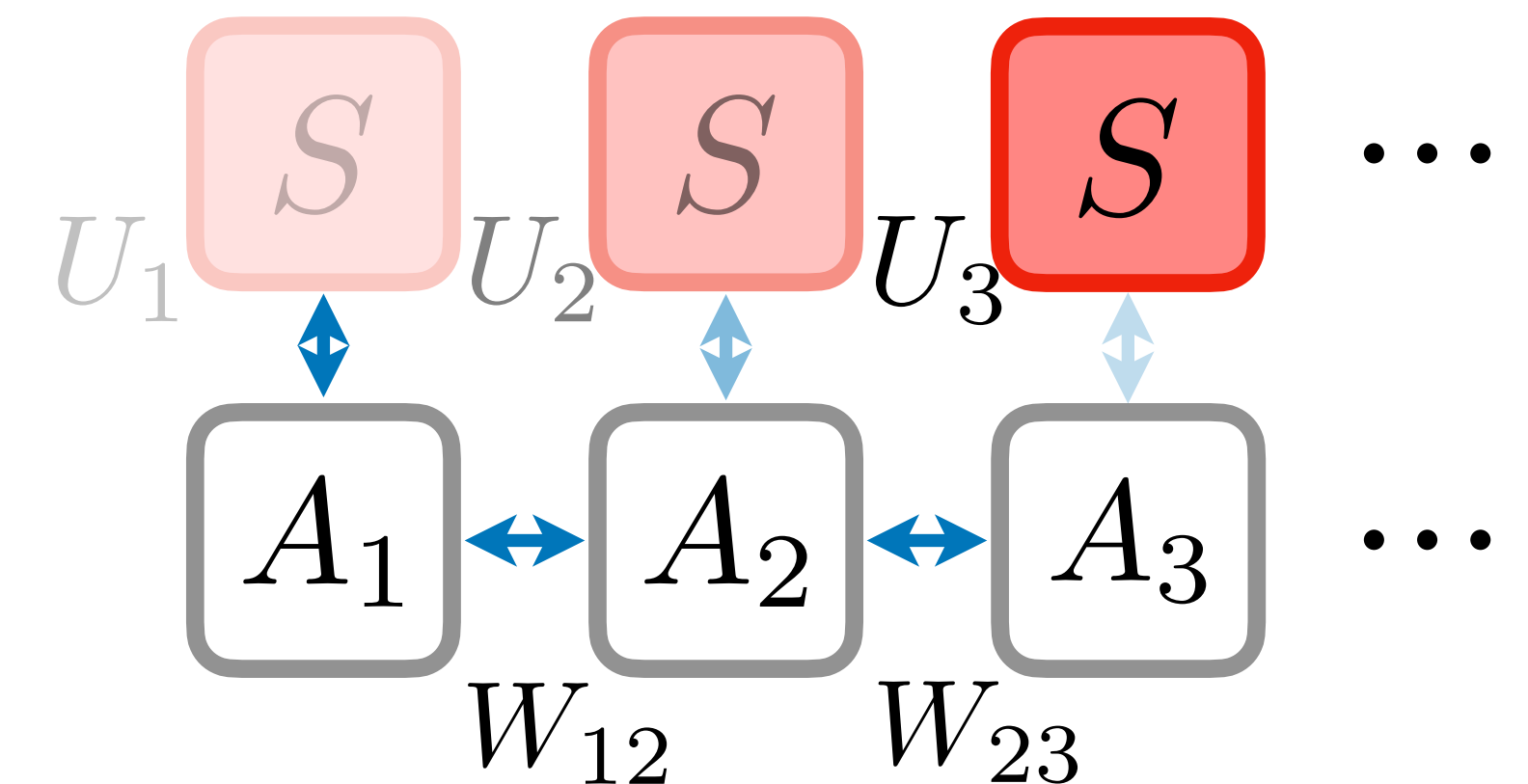
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SWAP map:

$$\mathcal{S}_{k,l} \mathcal{W}_{k,l} = \mathcal{W}_{k,l} \mathcal{S}_{k,l} \quad \mathcal{S}_{k,l}^2 = \mathcal{I}$$

$\rightarrow$

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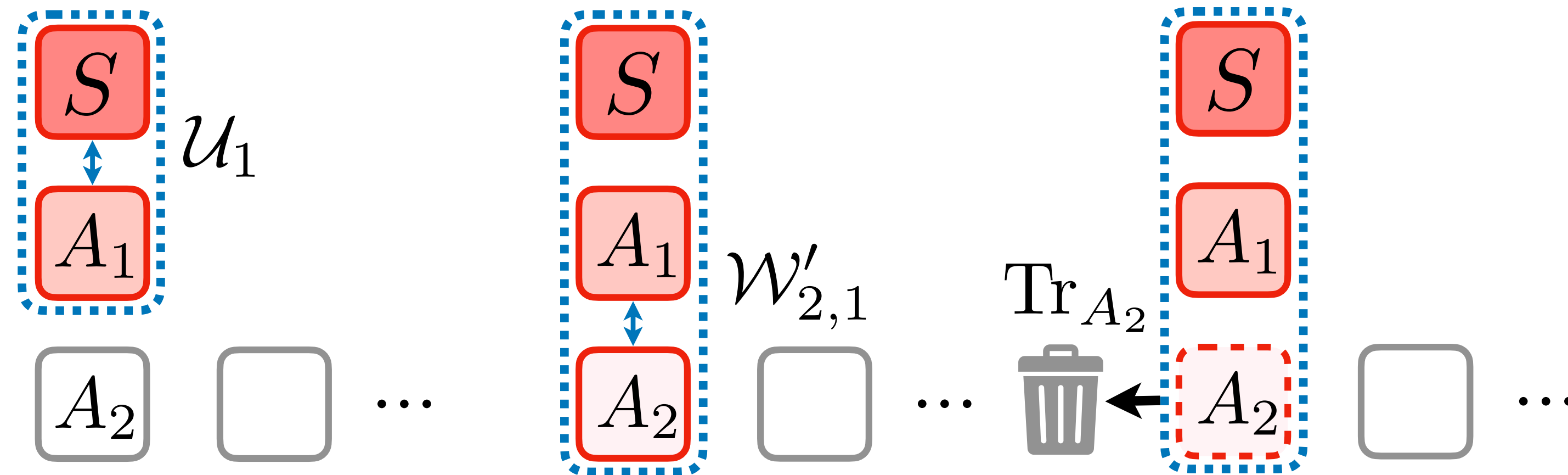
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$$\Phi'[\rho] = \text{Tr}_{A_2} [\mathcal{W}'_{2,1} \mathcal{U}_1 (\rho \otimes \sigma)]$$

$$\mathcal{W}'_{2,1} = \mathcal{S}_{2,1} \mathcal{W}_{2,1}$$



Summary

- **Markov approximation** - separation of time scales.
- Definition of Markovianity for **classical stochastic processes** not immediately generalisable to **quantum domain** (inconsistency with Kolmogorov axioms).
- Intrinsic definition of **quantum Markovianity** - divisibility and distinguishability.
- **Collision models** - platform to simulate non-Markovian open quantum dynamics (e.g., spontaneous emission of two-level atom).