

# RADIATION FROM A D-DIMENSIONAL COLLISION OF SHOCK WAVES: EXACT RESULTS

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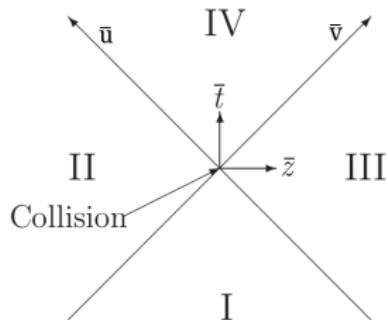


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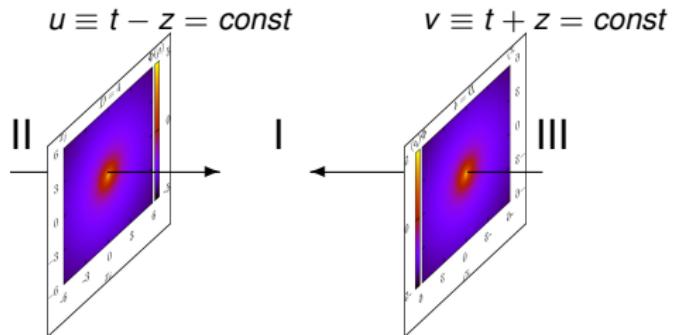
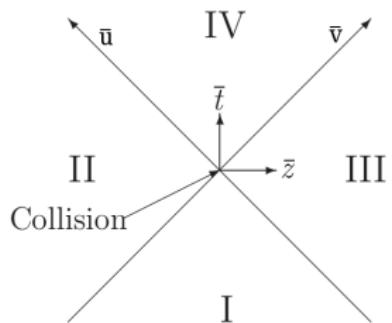
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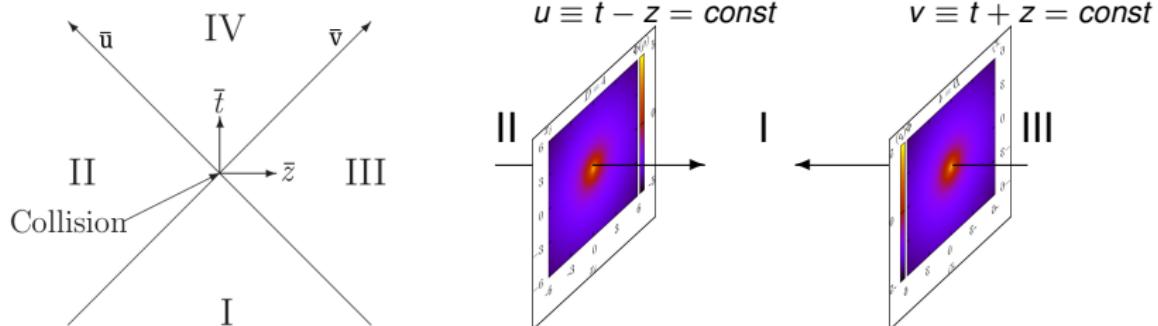
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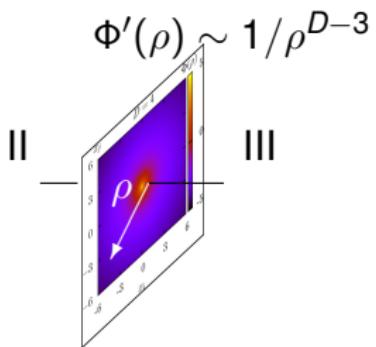
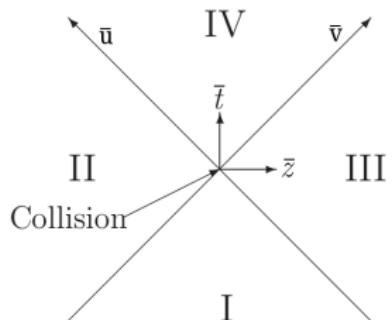


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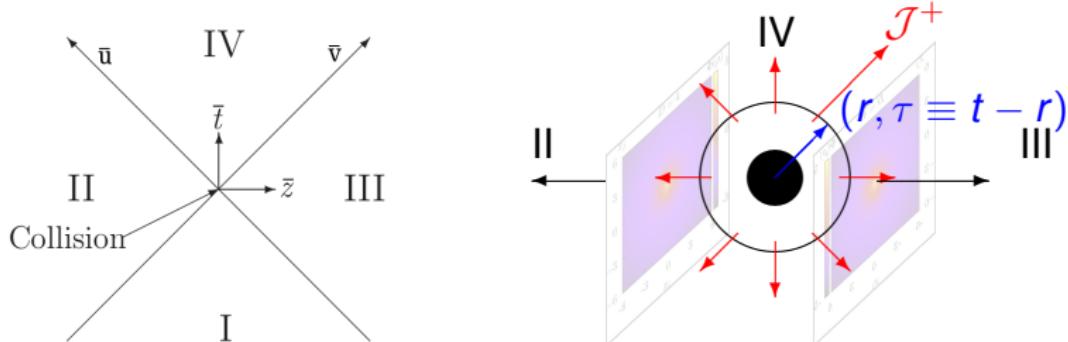


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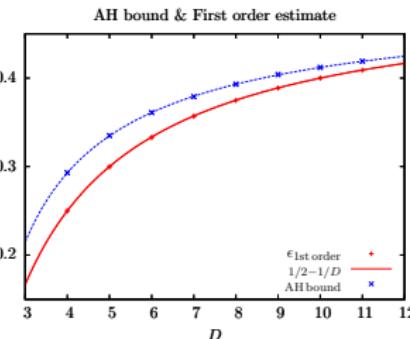
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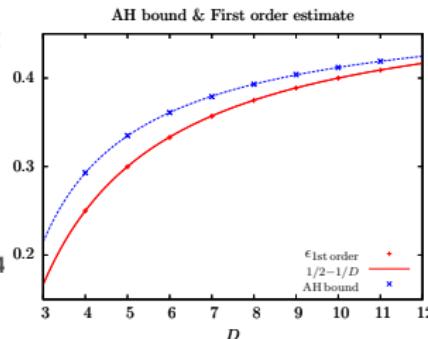
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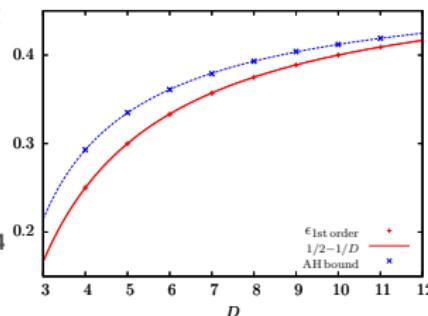
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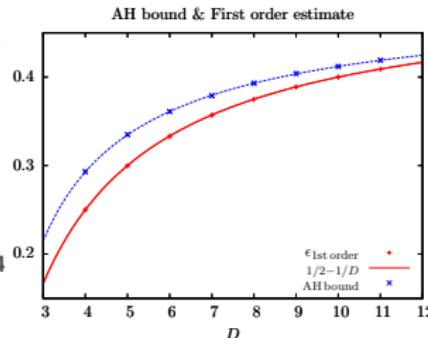
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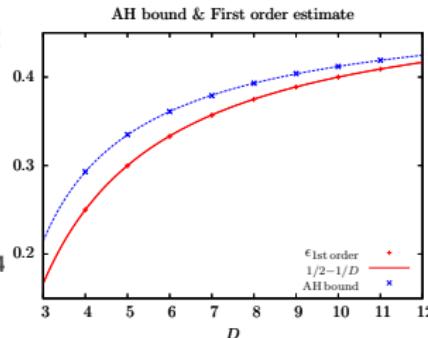
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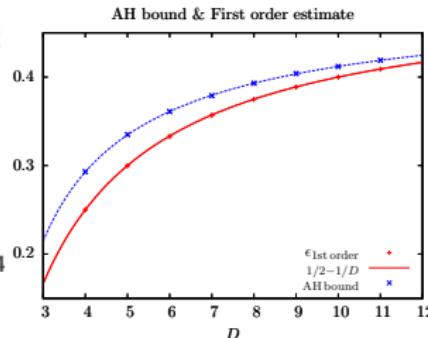
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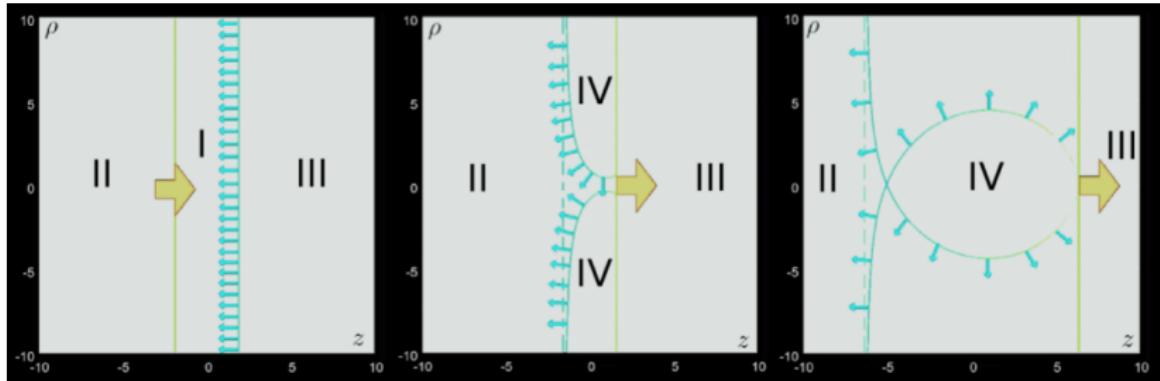
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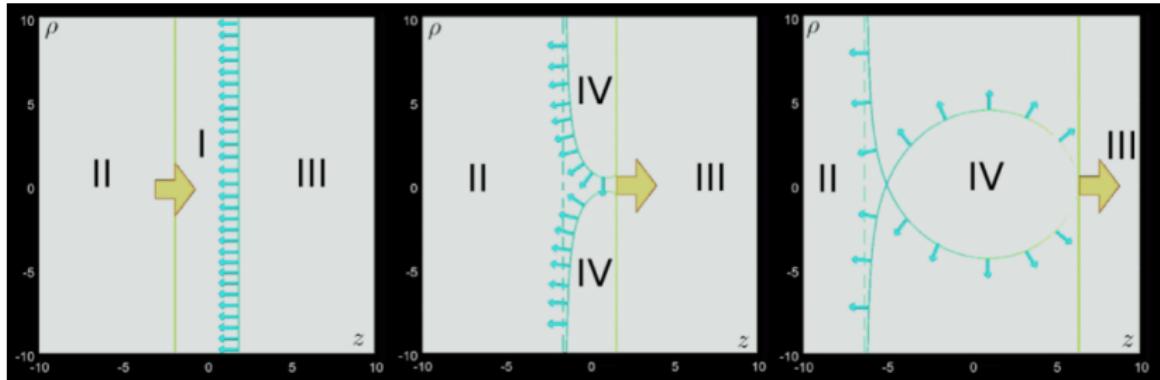
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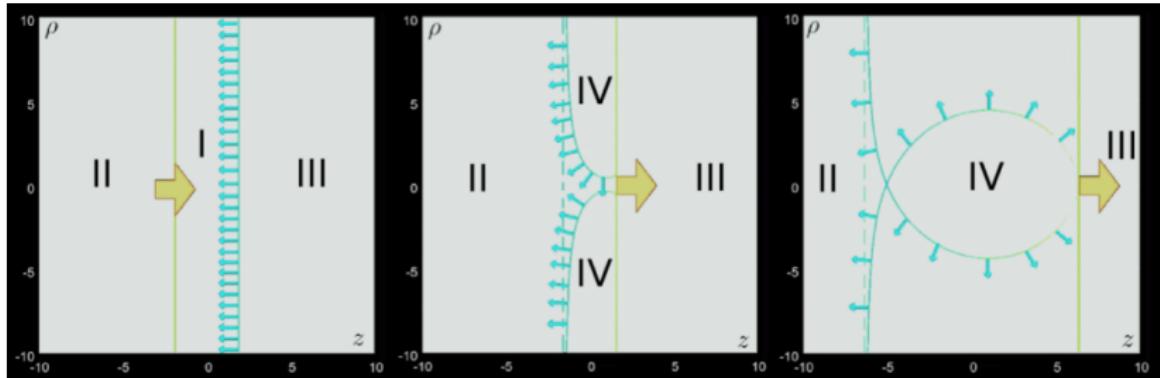


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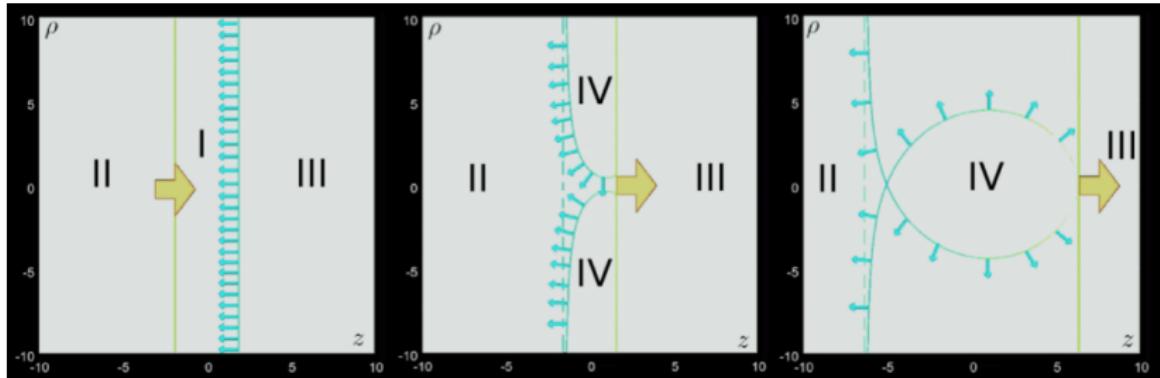
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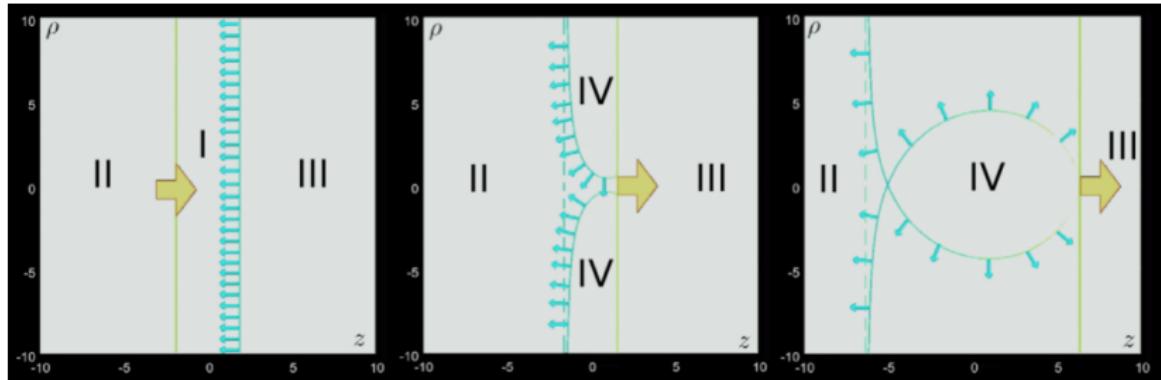
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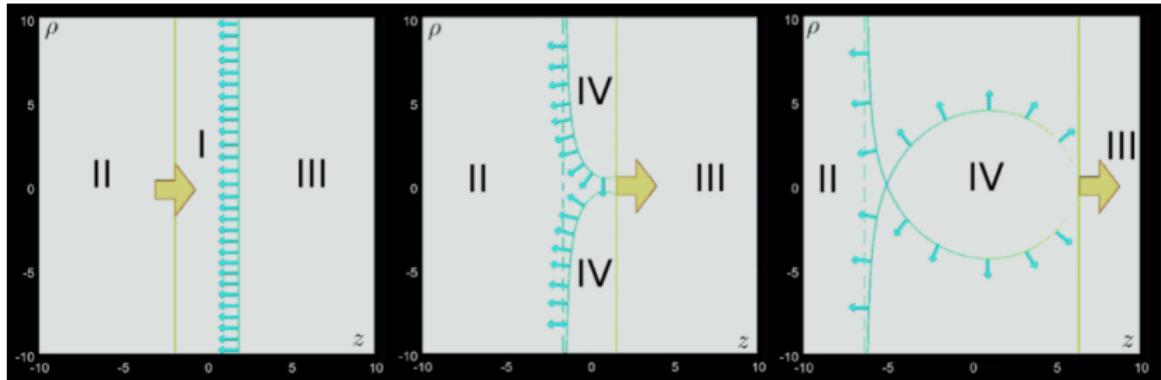


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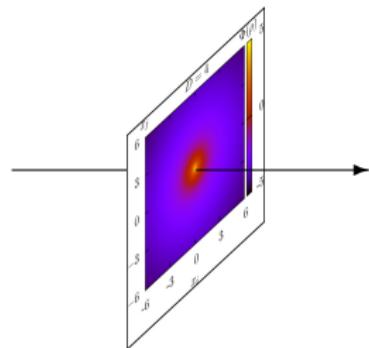
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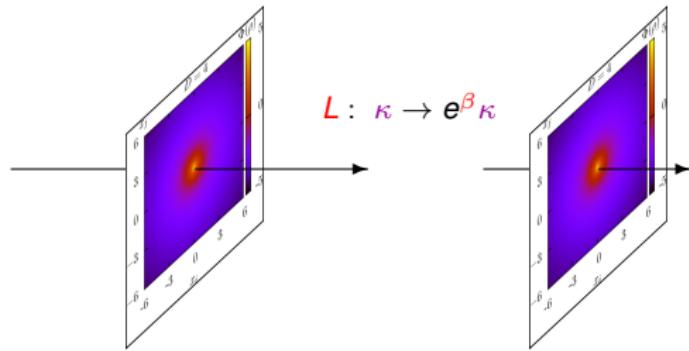
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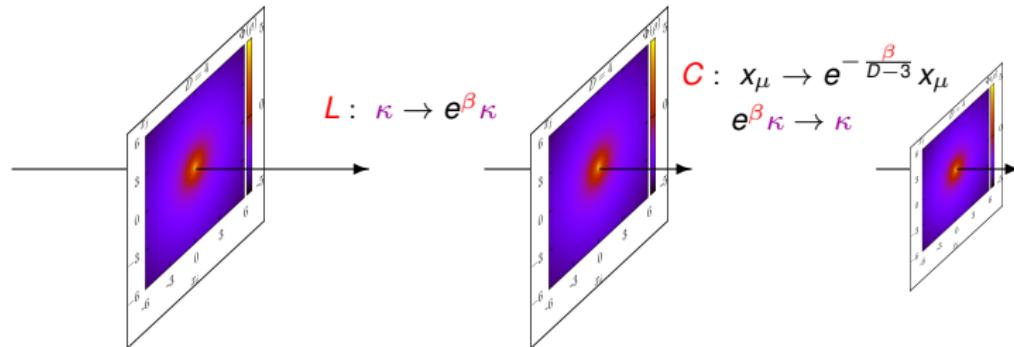
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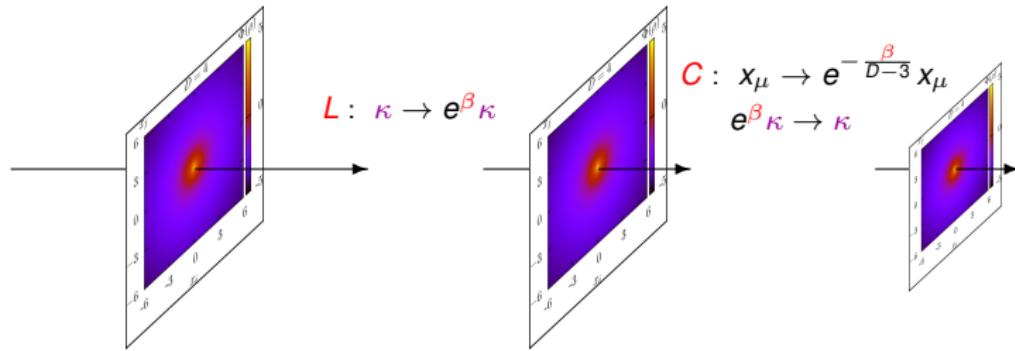
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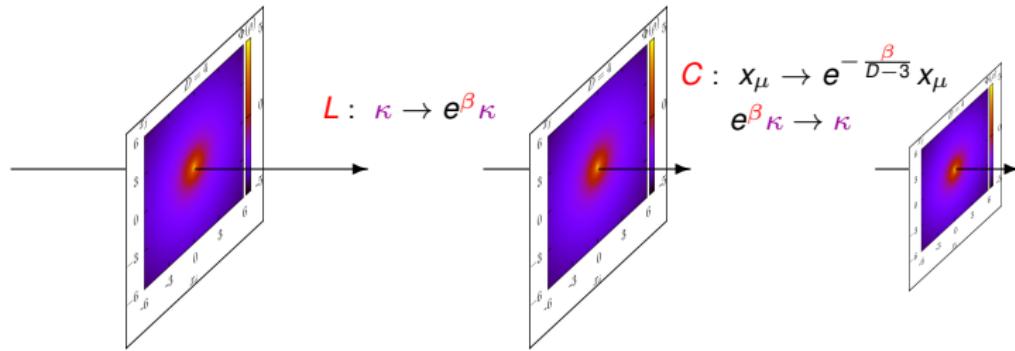


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- $R = \Phi^{-1}(t)$  and  $t$  new time in  $D > 4$
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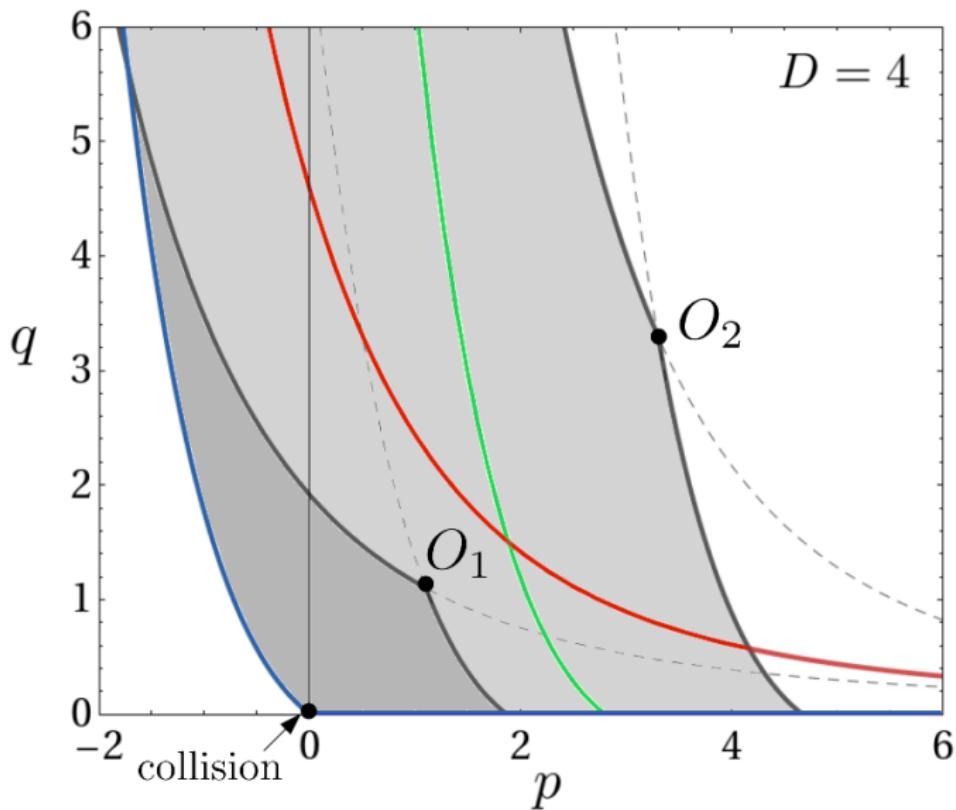
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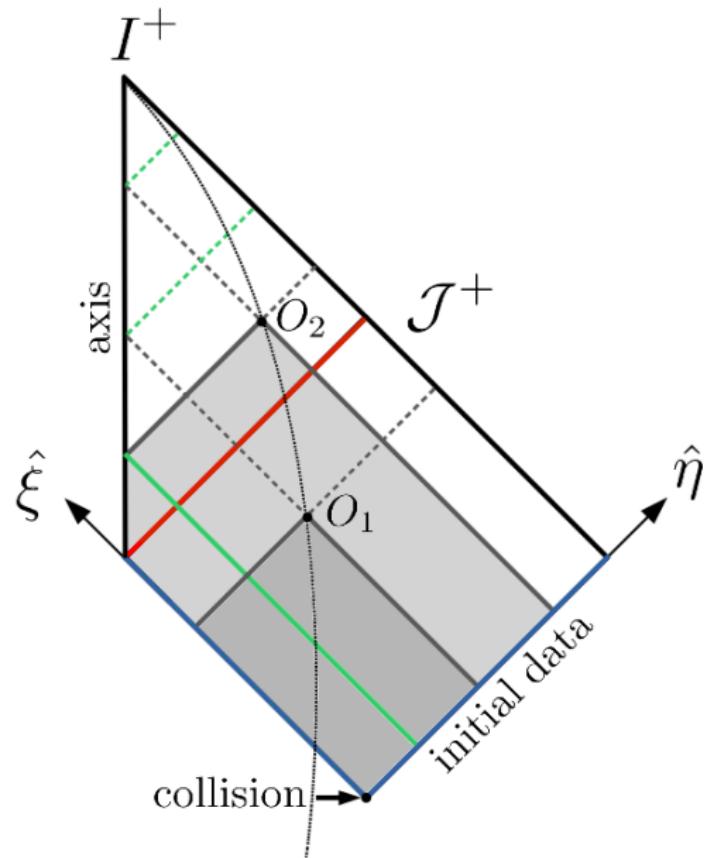
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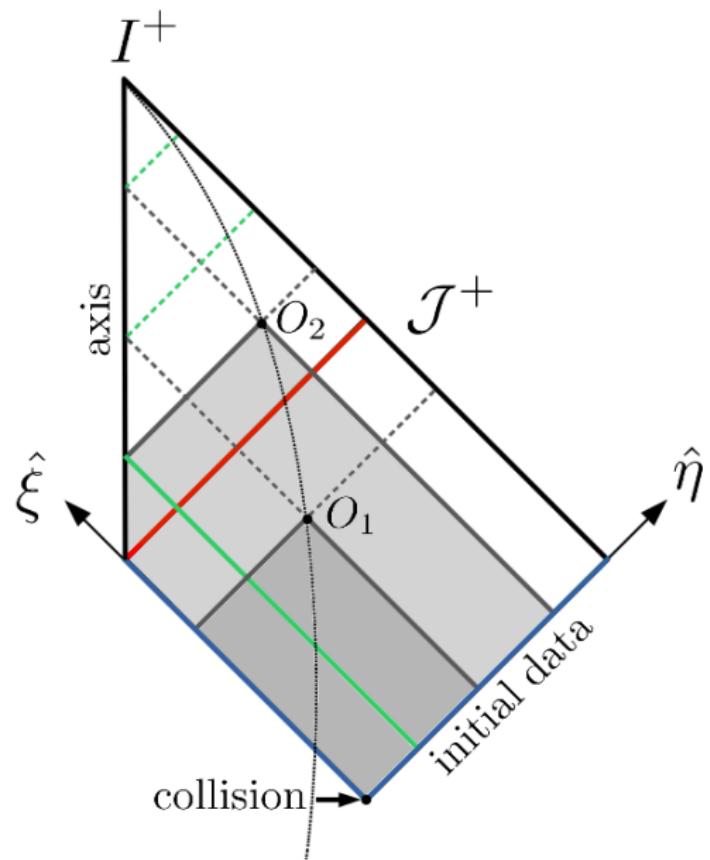
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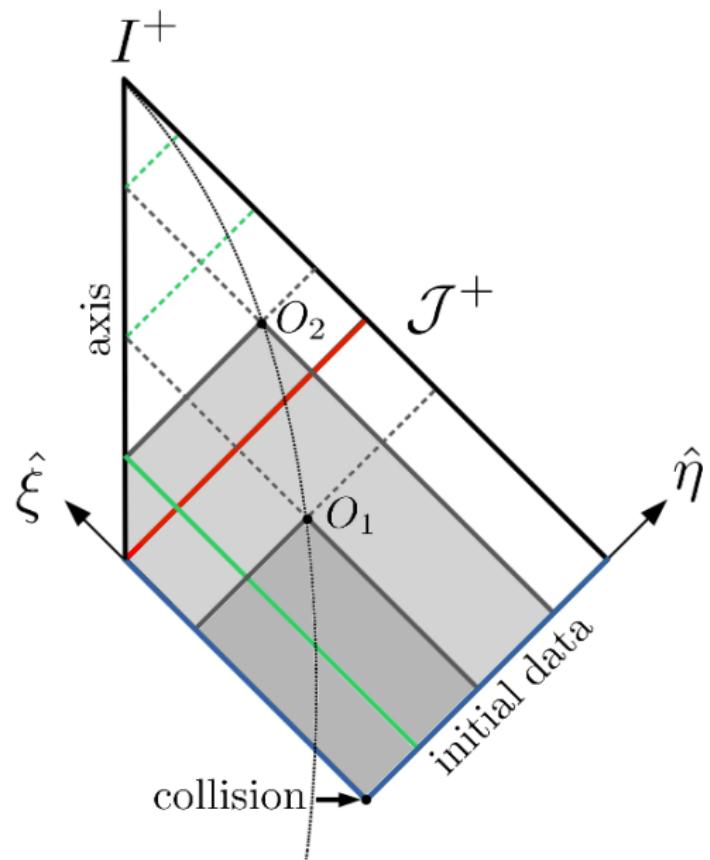
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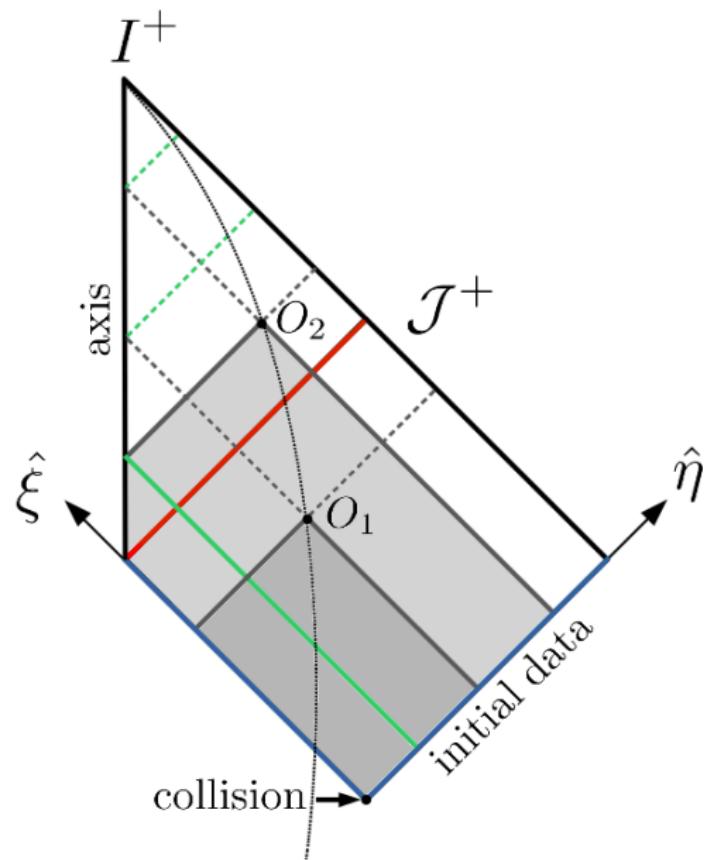
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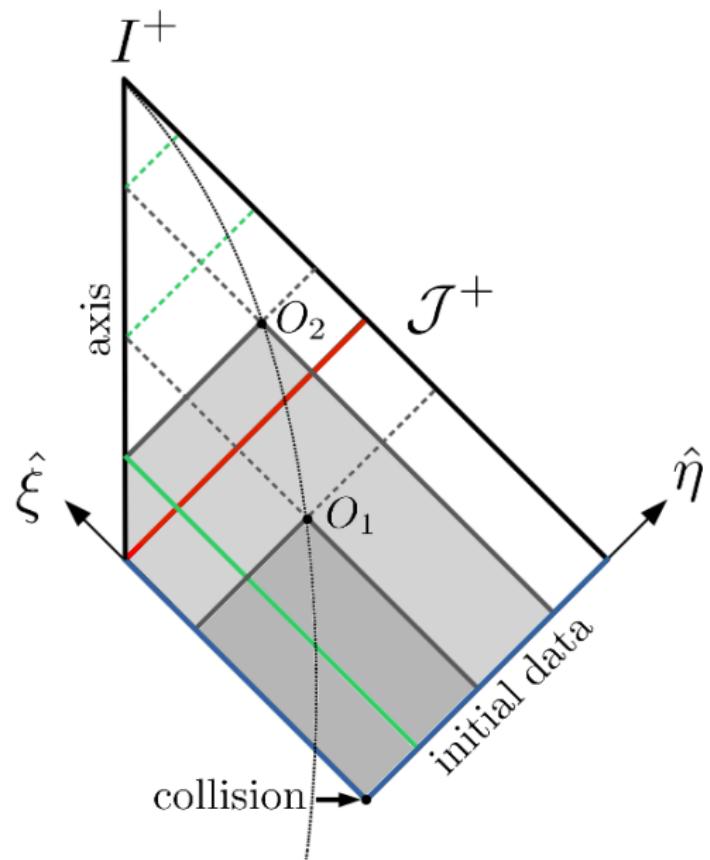
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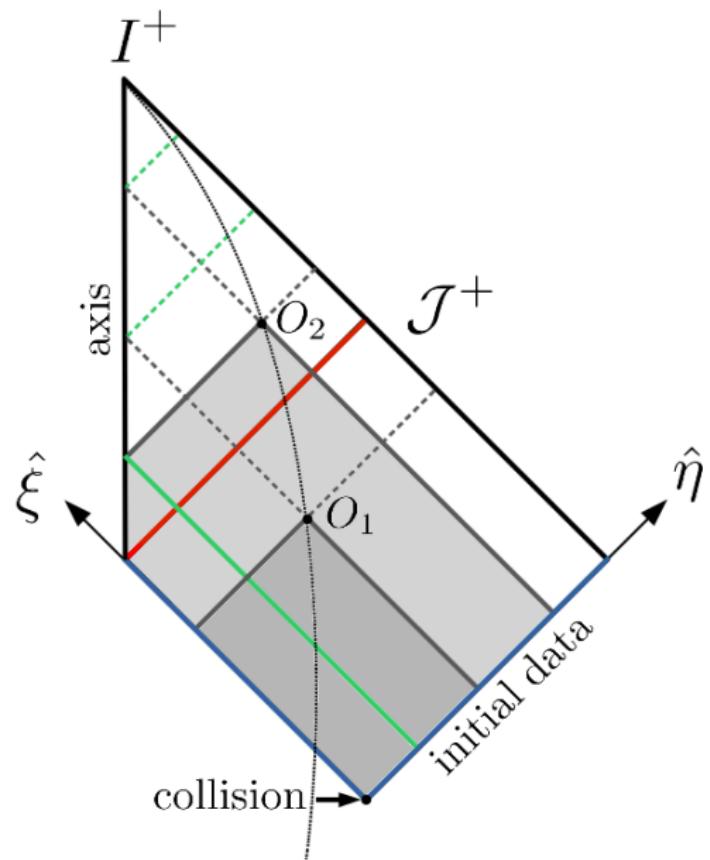
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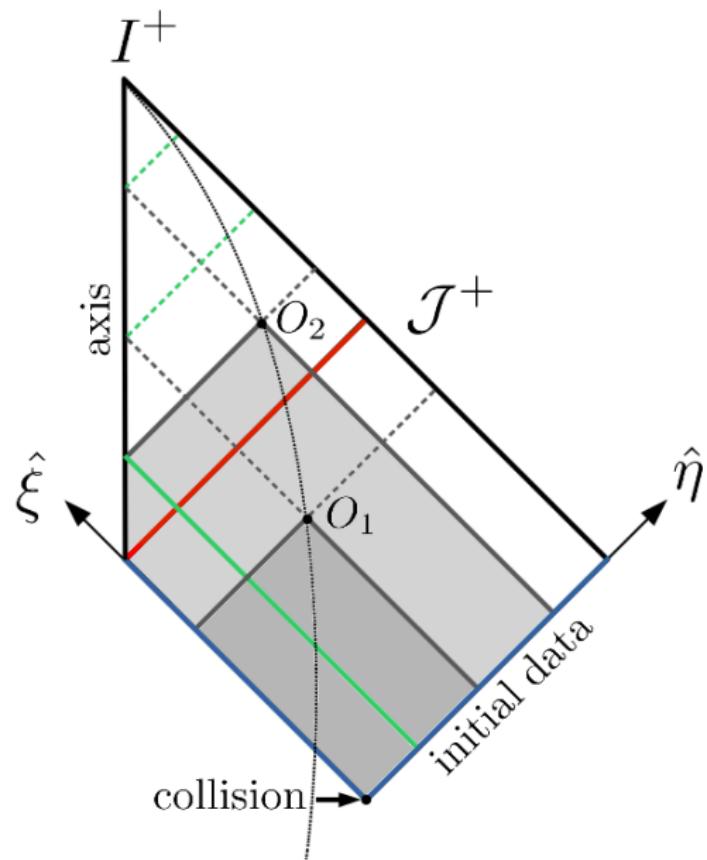
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