

# The Complexity of the Cosmos: A possible path to make the Universe Simple

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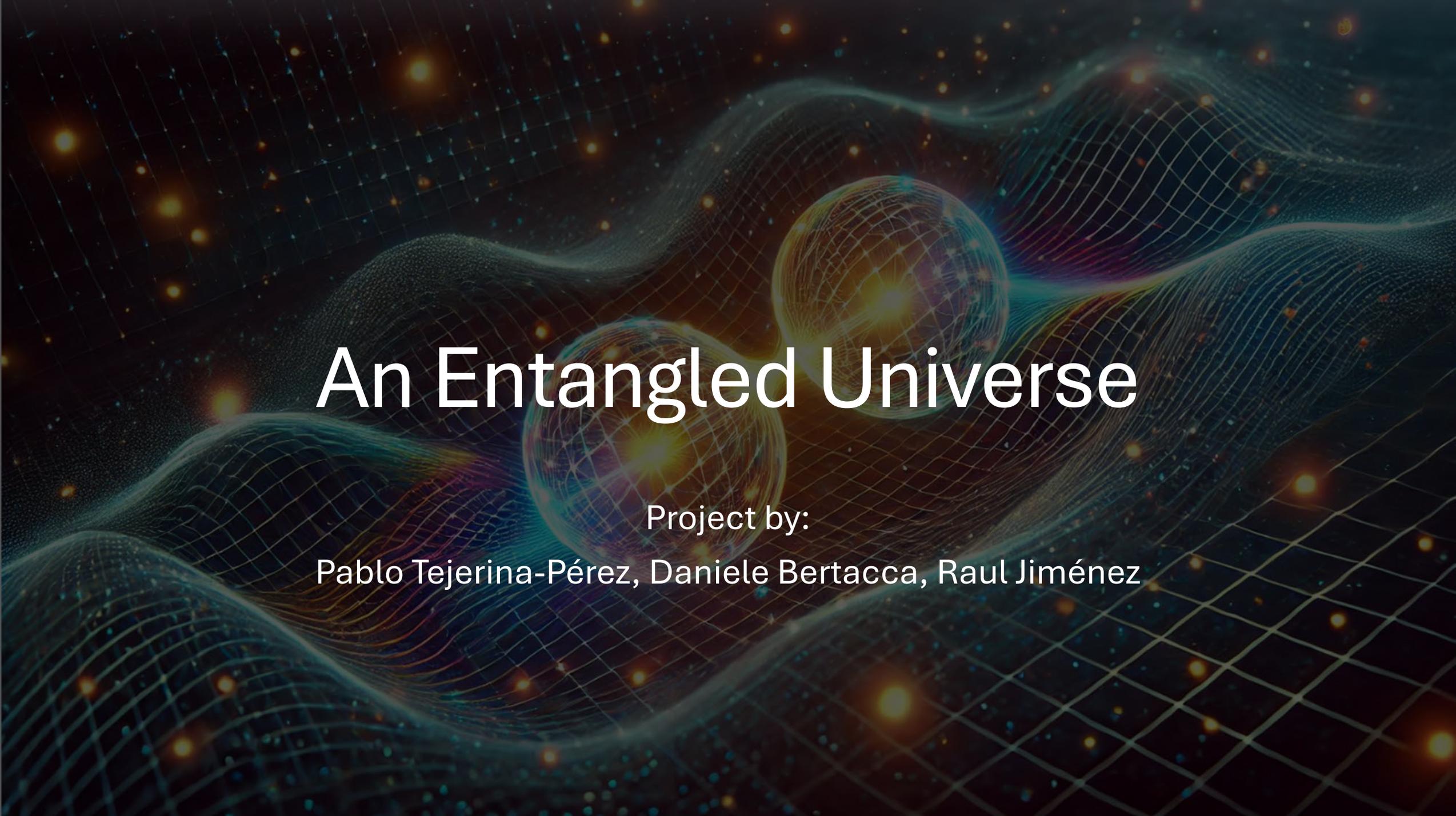
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In this paper we consider

- a graviton production from the presence of a classical, coherent state of the inflaton scalar field results in entangled states in the gravitons' polarizations.
- At horizon crossing, interactions between the gravitons and (lower scale) inflatons, together with the gathering of "which-path information" from the cosmological horizon, perform the required Bell experiments leading to a definitive measure.
- This measure can be imprinted in the scalar correlation four-point function. This is because of a non-trivial effect due to the derivatives on two scalar fluctuations.
- This scalar fluctuations provides a fingerprint that depends on the polarization of the graviton that Alice and/or Bob measured in their patch.

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- 1) In "Inflation without an Inflaton," Daniele Bertacca, Raul Jimenez, Matarrese & Ricciardone, 2412.14265:
  - We propose a novel scenario in which scalar perturbations, that seed the large-scale structure of the Universe, are generated without relying on a scalar field (the inflaton).
  - In this framework, inflation is driven by a de Sitter space-time (dS), where tensor metric fluctuations (i.e., gravitational waves) naturally arise from quantum vacuum oscillations, and scalar fluctuations are generated via second-order tensor effects.

The background features a dark blue and black space filled with a grid of white lines that curves and warps, representing spacetime. Several glowing, multi-colored spheres (yellow, orange, and purple) are scattered throughout, some appearing to be connected or entangled. The overall aesthetic is futuristic and scientific.

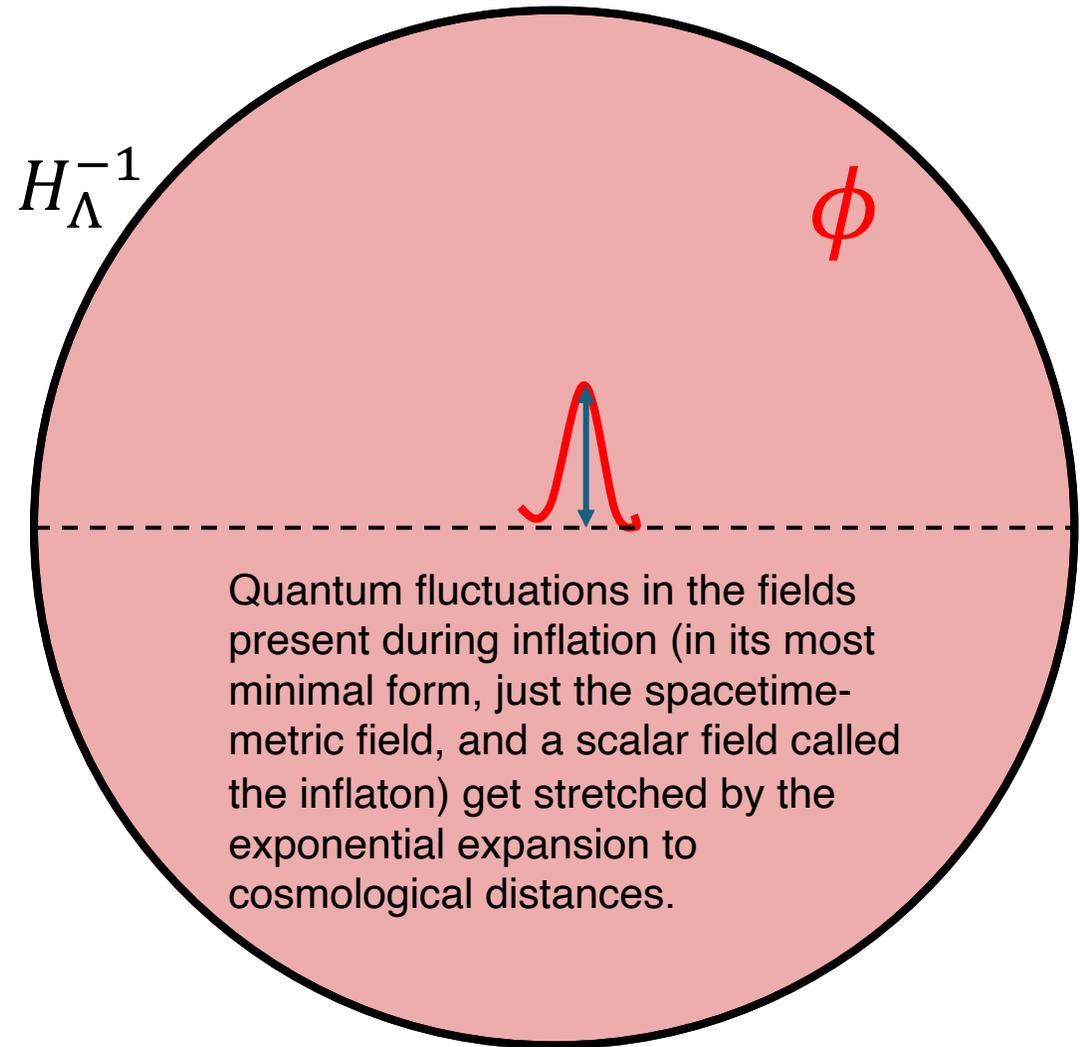
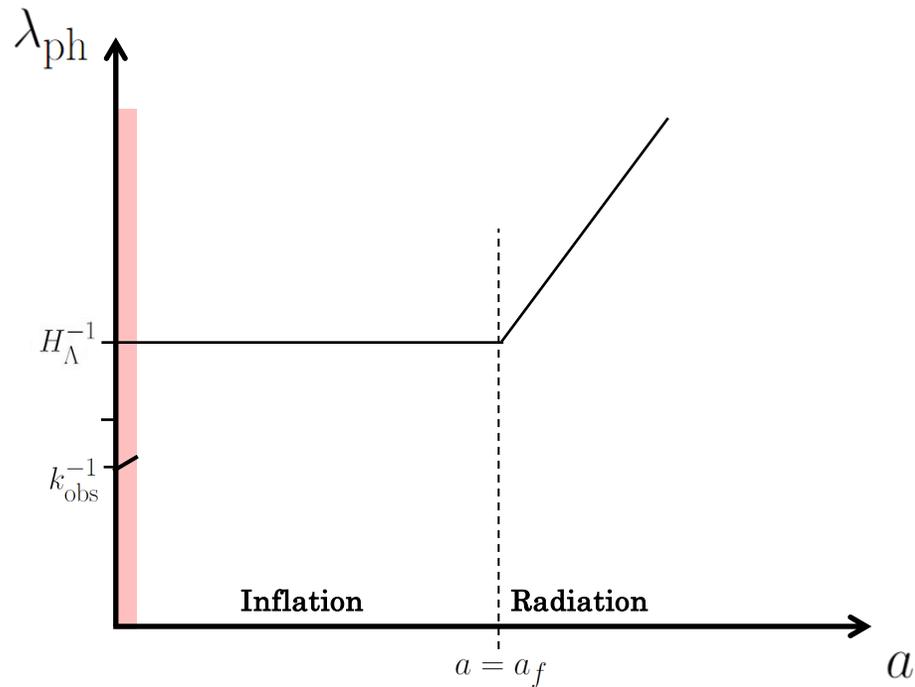
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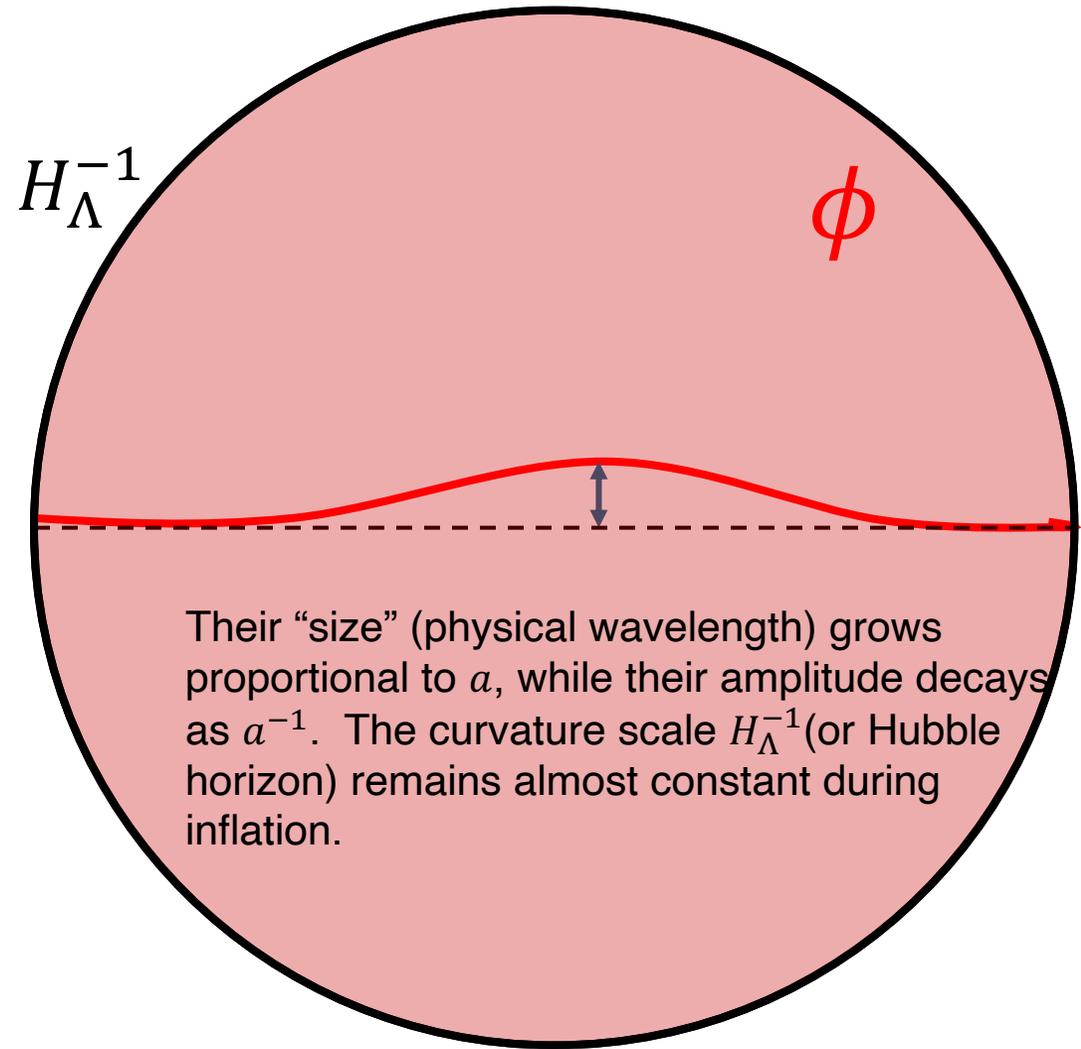
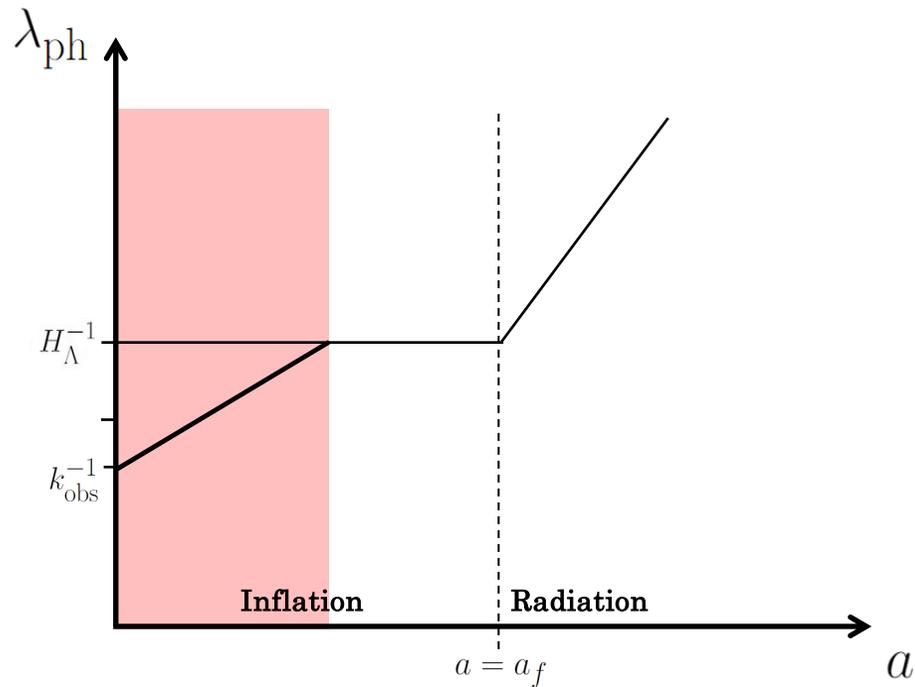
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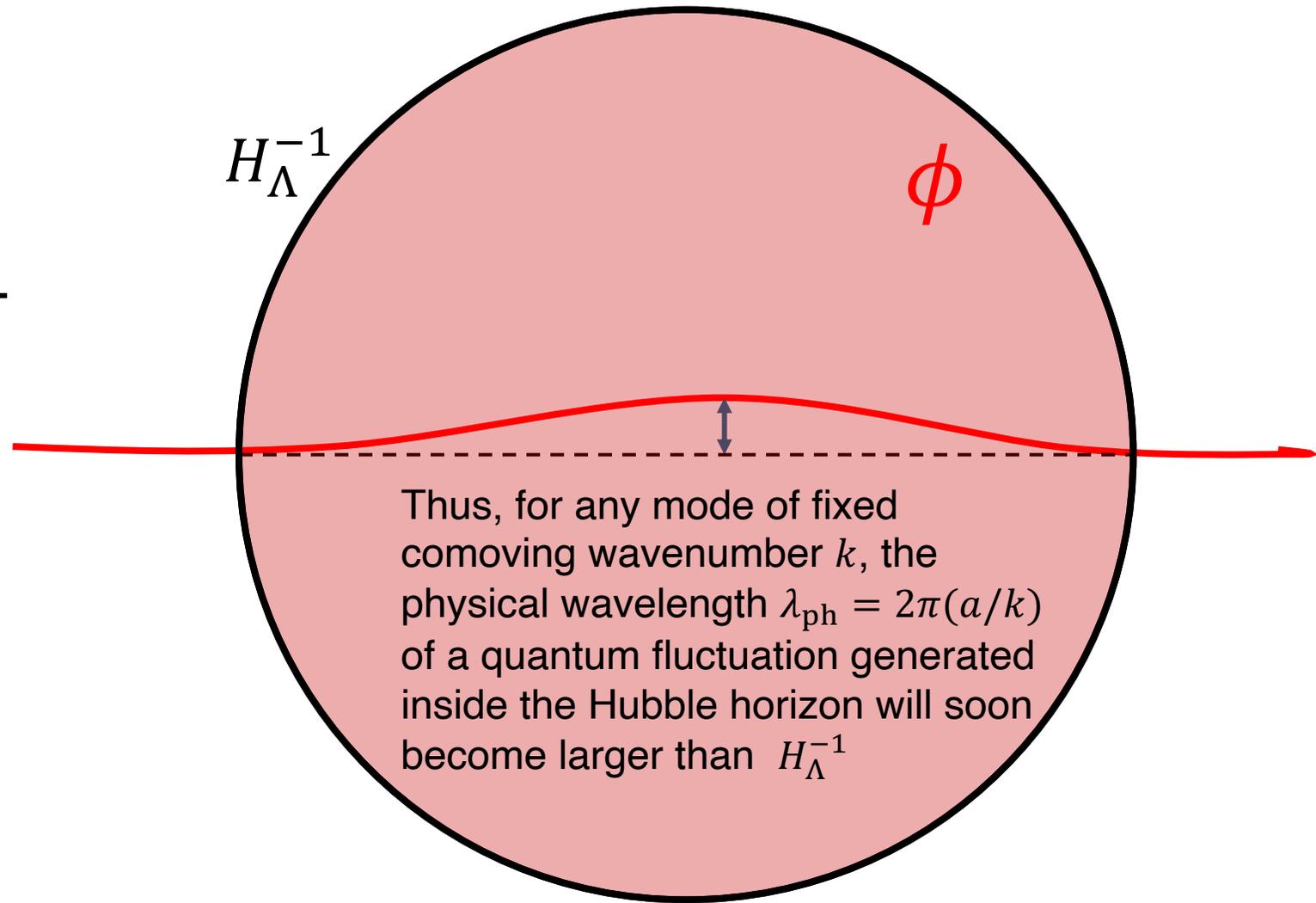
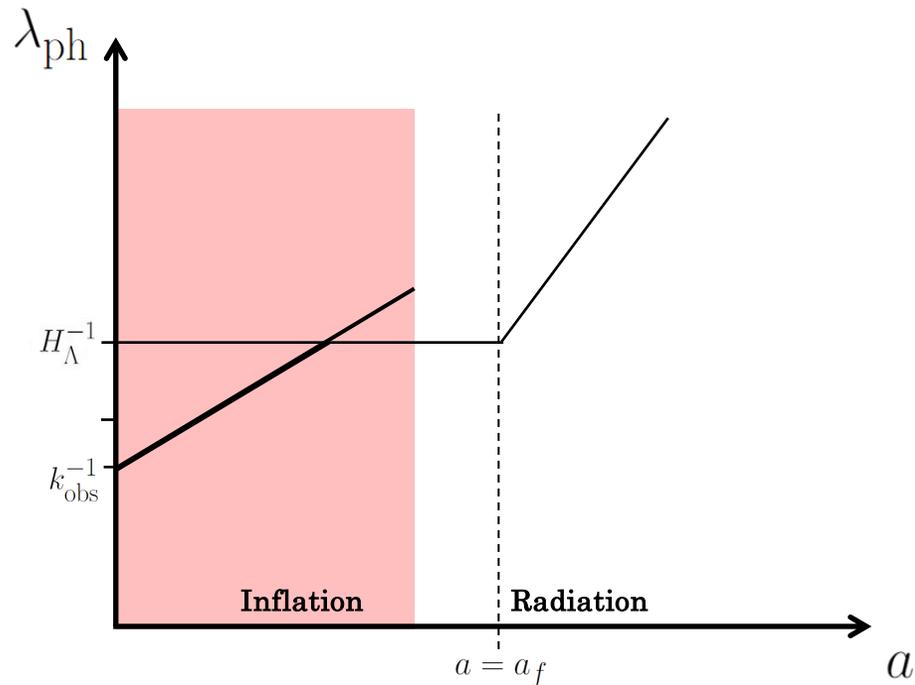
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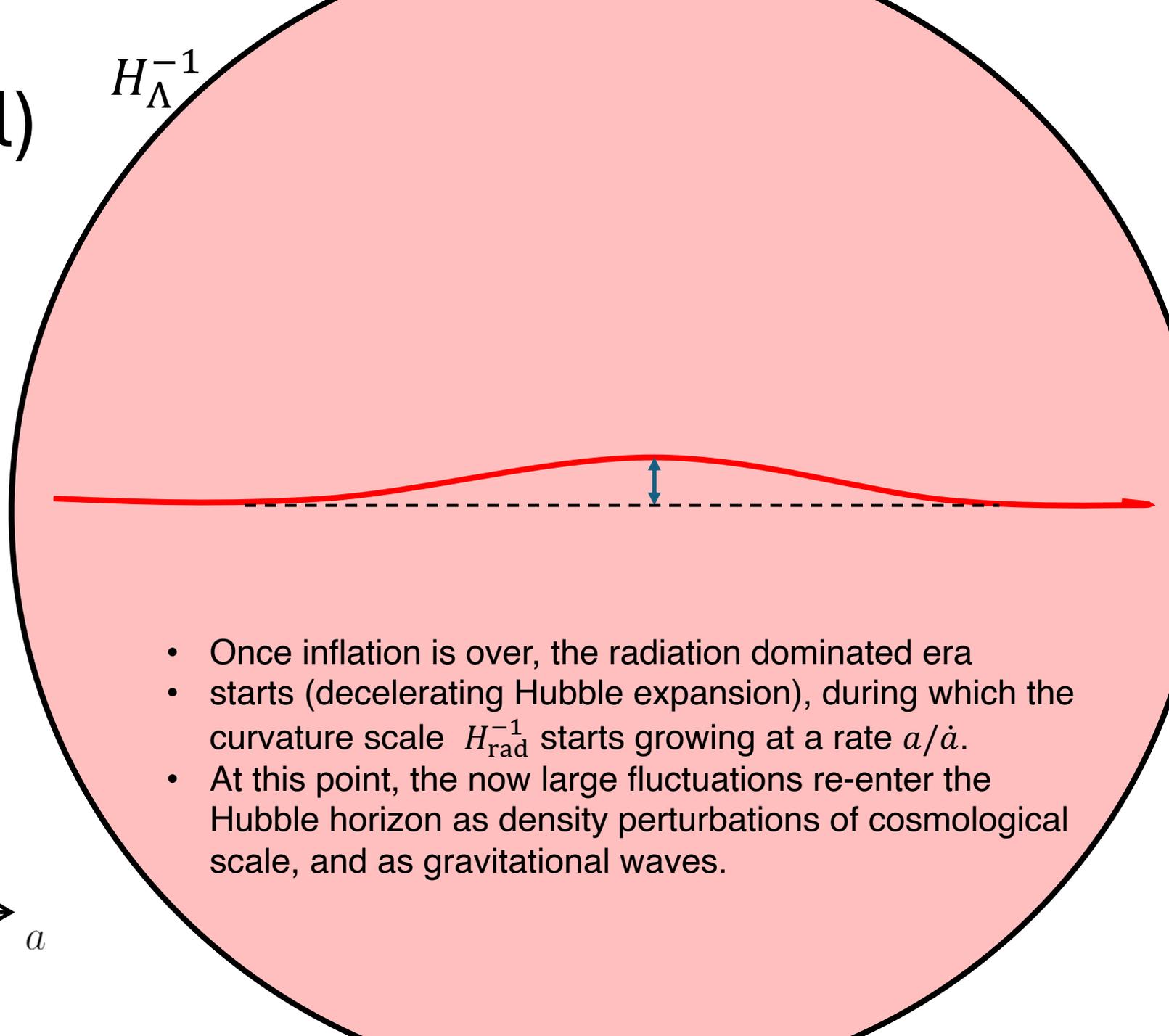
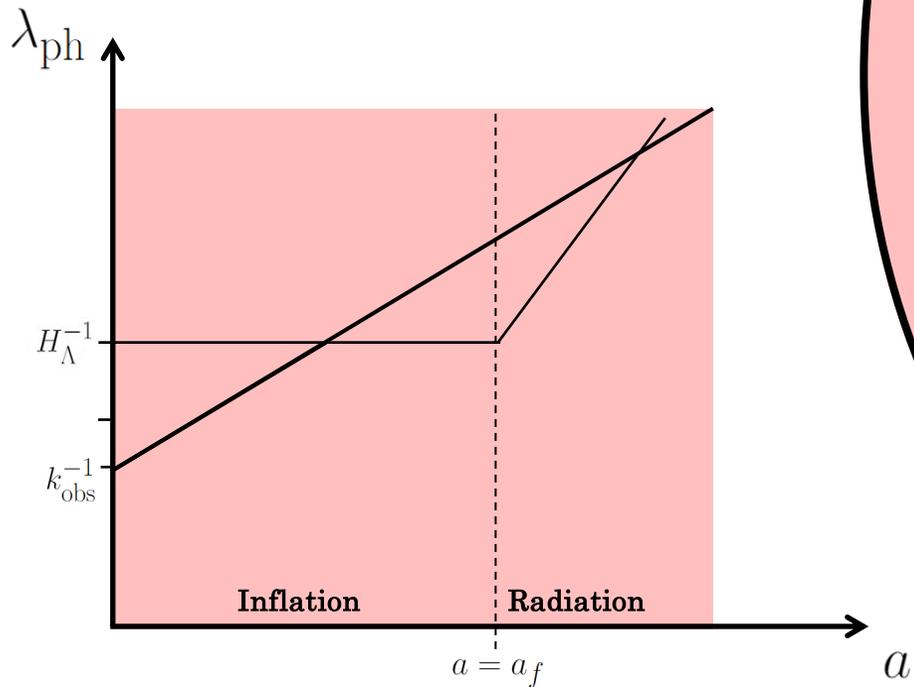


Therefore, the corresponding mode leaves the horizon, and starts “feeling” the curvature of spacetime. At horizon crossing, its amplitude freezes and remains almost constant until the end of the inflationary stage.

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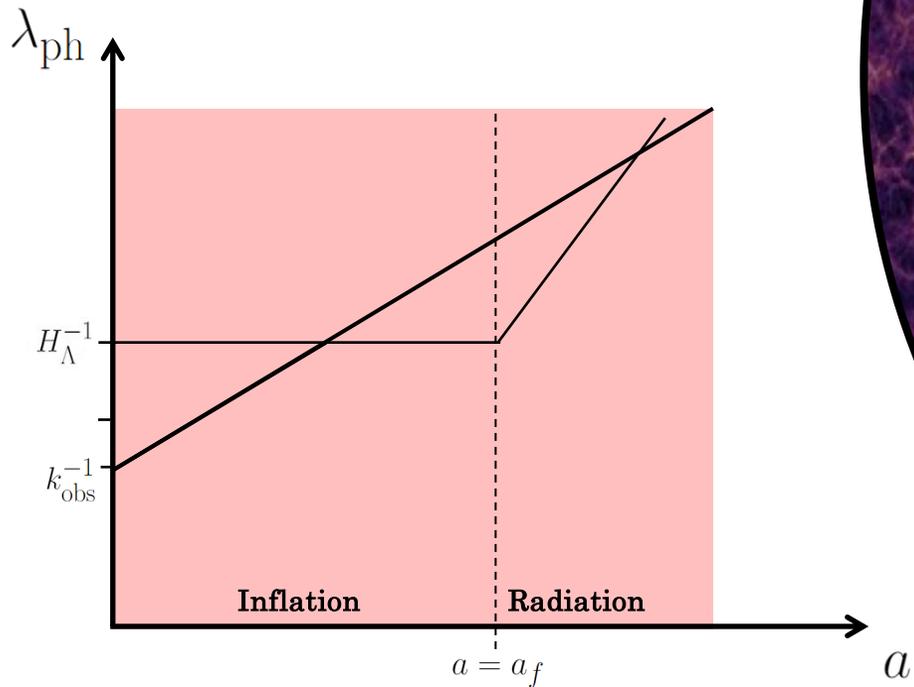


- Once inflation is over, the radiation dominated era starts (decelerating Hubble expansion), during which the curvature scale  $H_{\text{rad}}^{-1}$  starts growing at a rate  $a/\dot{a}$ .
- At this point, the now large fluctuations re-enter the Hubble horizon as density perturbations of cosmological scale, and as gravitational waves.

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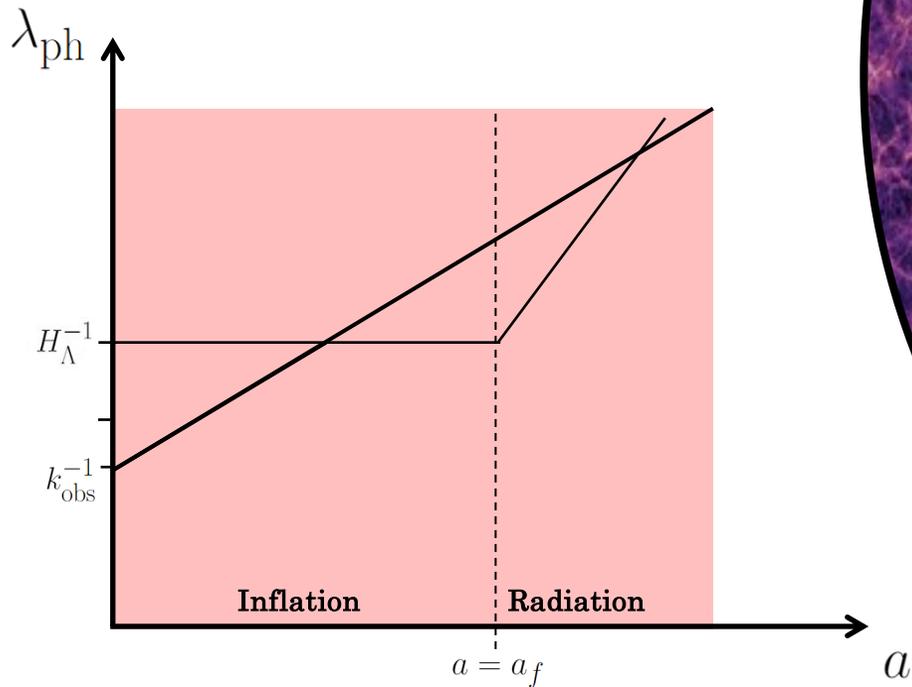


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Therefore, Inflation introduces a natural way to explain the inhomogeneities and anisotropies in the Universe that gave rise to the formation of the cosmological structures we observe today.

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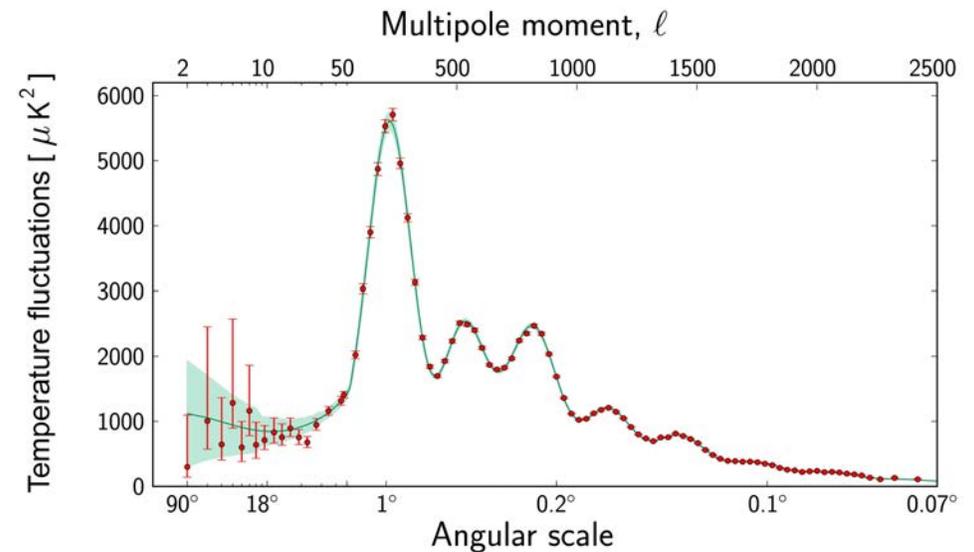
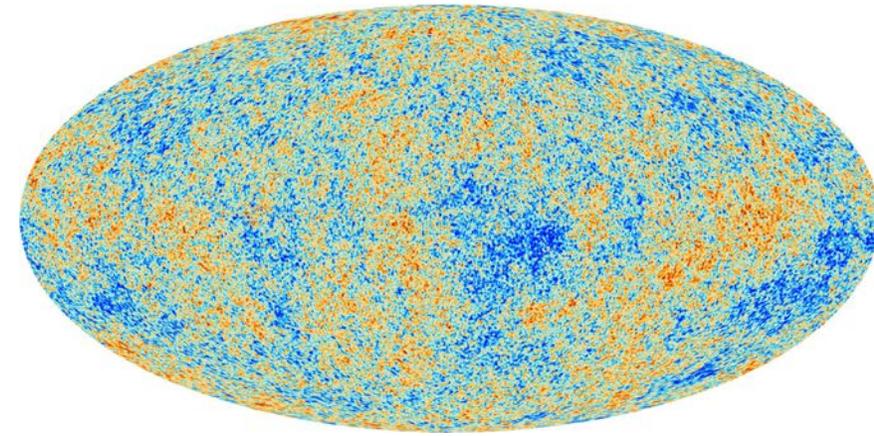
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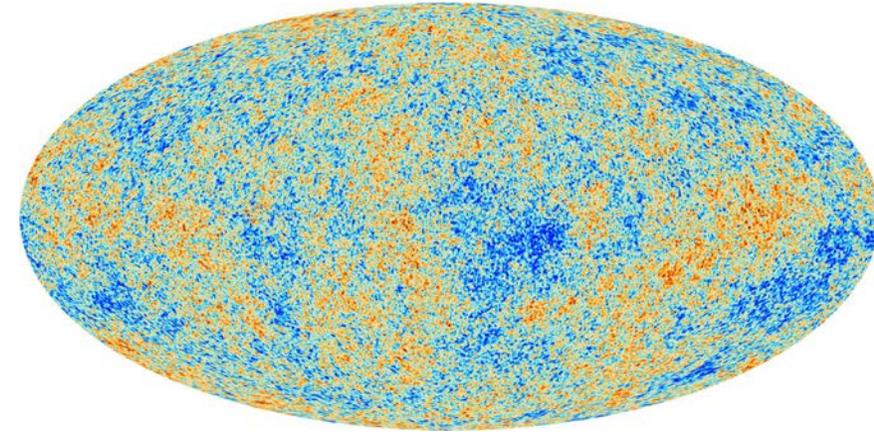


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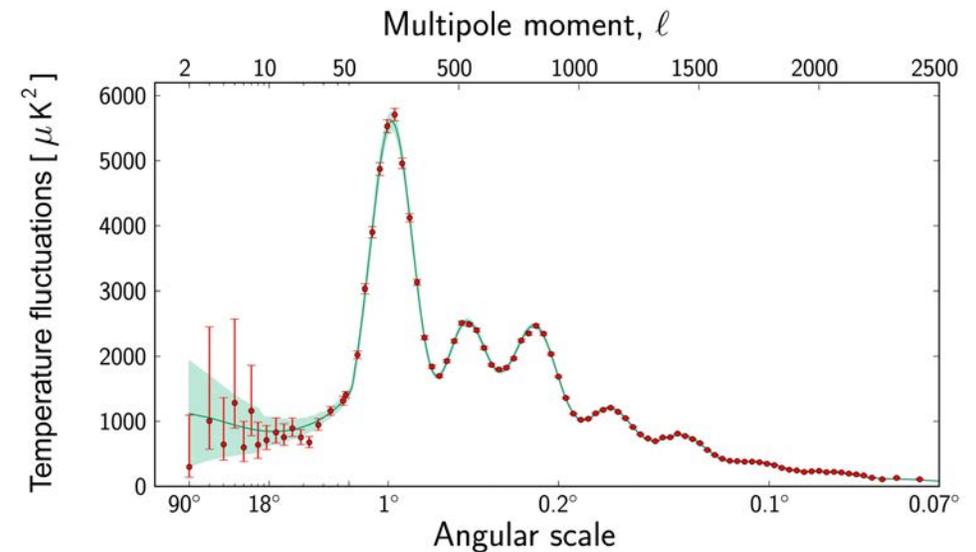
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- **It is still an open question how this classicalization of quantum fluctuations occurs.**
- **If any signal of the early nature of the quantum fluctuation remains, this should be imprinted in some current observable, maybe in the form of non-gaussianities in the CMB anisotropies, or in higher-order correlation functions of galaxy distributions, or some other observable.**



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- We study how, through interaction with their environment, gravitons may imprint this quantumness into some observable quantity.
- We then propose what this observable quantity might be.

# Entanglement as a quantum property

Let me briefly review what is known to be the “most quantum aspect” in quantum mechanics and quantum optics:  
**entanglement.**

This effect makes the quantum nature of a system appear in a very explicit manner; if we are hoping to find traces of quantumness in some observable, **entanglement** is what we should aim for.

# Entanglement as a quantum property

- **Entanglement** between two quantum states is present when the quantum state describing the whole system cannot be written as a product of the states describing each subsystem separately, i.e. it is non-separable.
- **Entanglement** is exclusively a consequence of the principle of superposition present in quantum mechanics and makes the non-locality of the theory explicit.

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Here  $|\psi_i\rangle_j$  represents particle  $j$  (the index  $j$  could be a particle, momenta, directions, etc...) in state  $|\psi_i\rangle$ .

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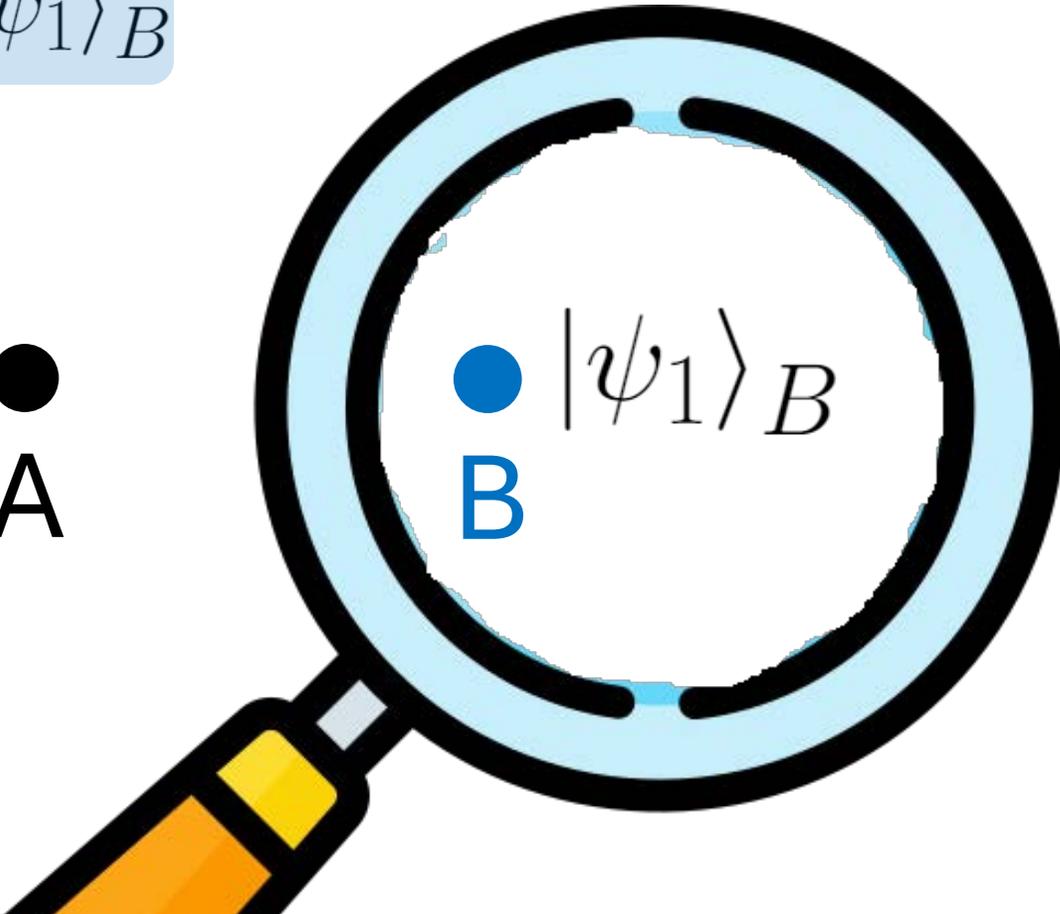


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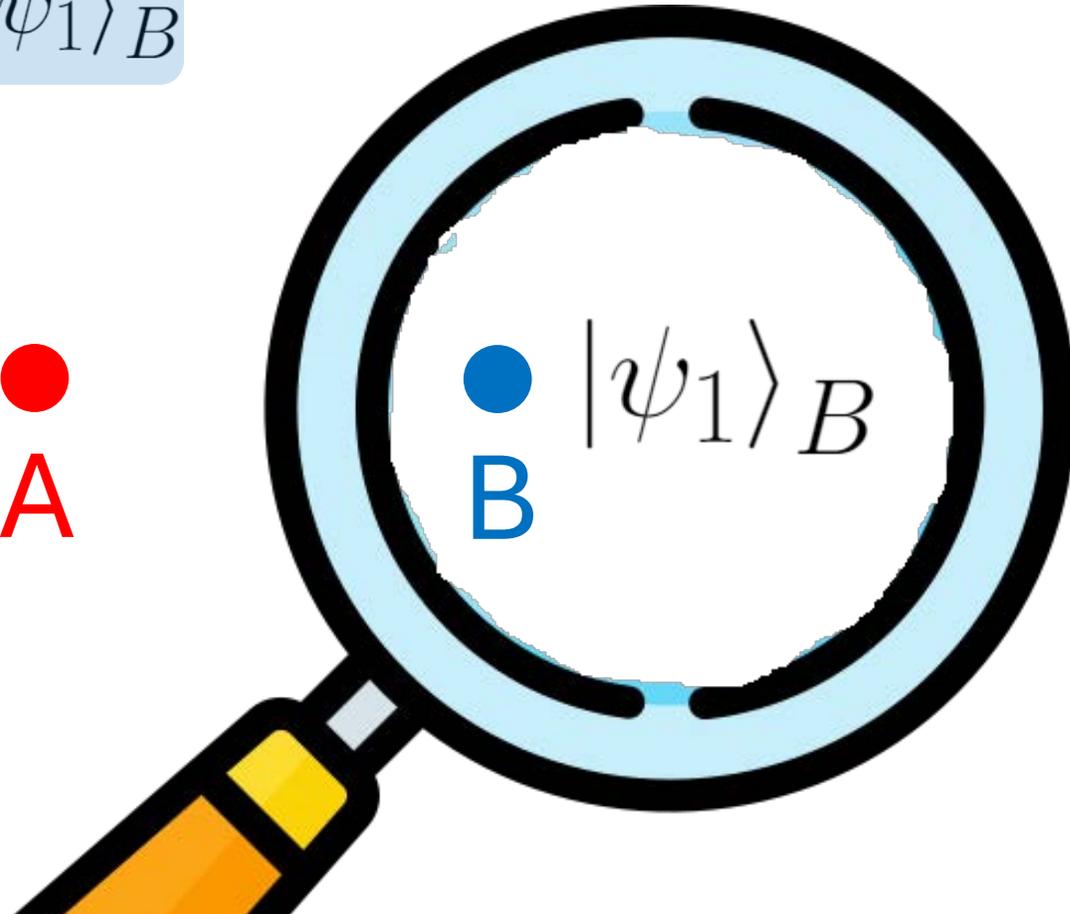
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By performing a measure on one particle, we instantaneously change the state of the other!

# Bell Experiment and Inequalities

- In 1964, the physicist John Stewart Bell proposed his famous theorem, which showed a clear **mathematical difference between** any description by a **classical**, *local hidden variables theory*, or by **the quantum-mechanical theory** that gave rise to *the non-local effect of the entanglement*.
- Extensive work has been done over the years concerning all theoretical and experimental aspects of Bell's theorem and experiment [e.g. see Clauser + (1969), Shimony & Clauser (1978)].

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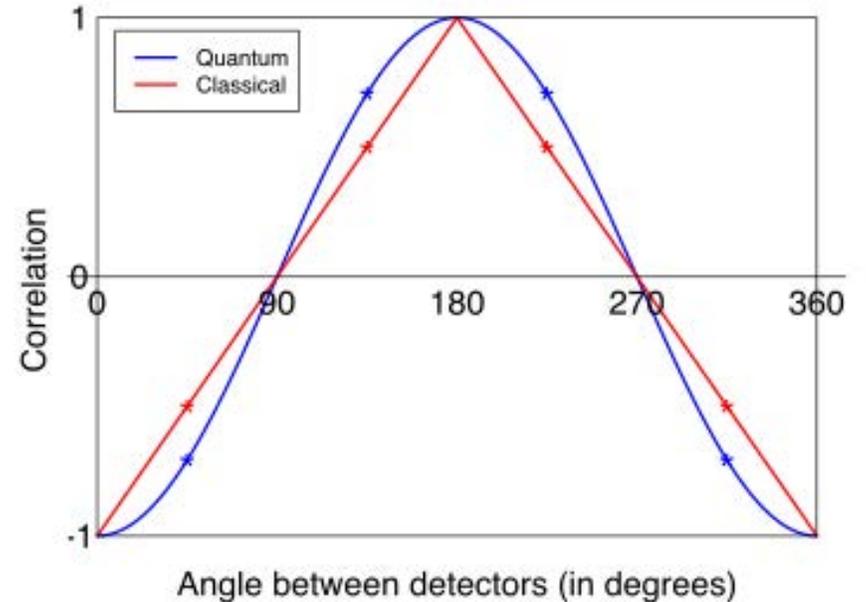
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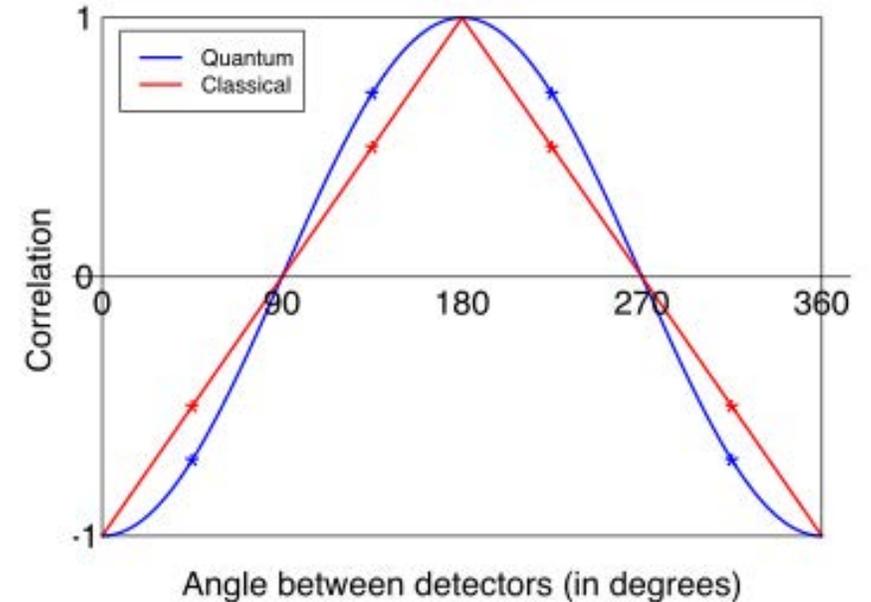
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By exceeding the former inequality in experimental measures, one proves the non-locality as an intrinsic property of entanglement and quantum mechanics.

This particular Bell inequality is known as the Clauser-Horne-Shimony-Holt inequality, see Clauser + (1969)



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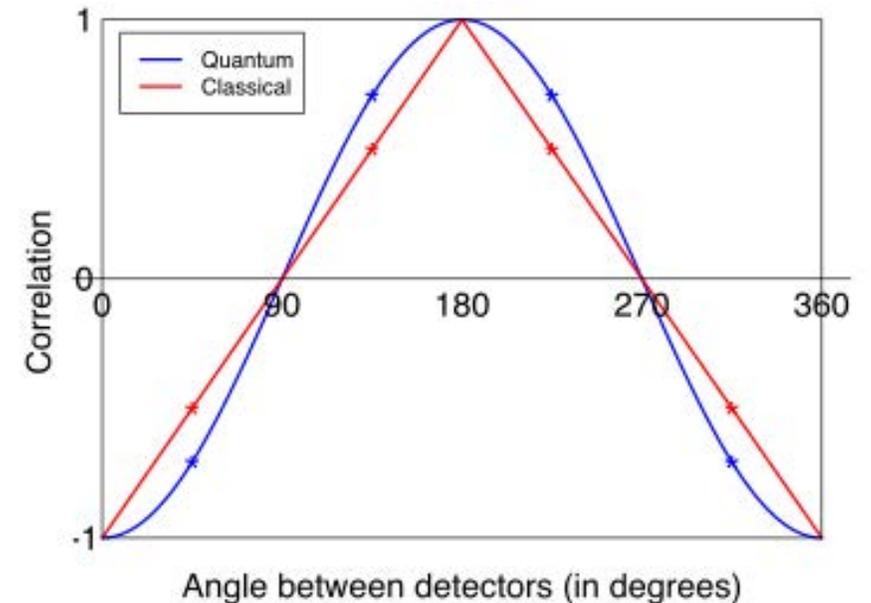
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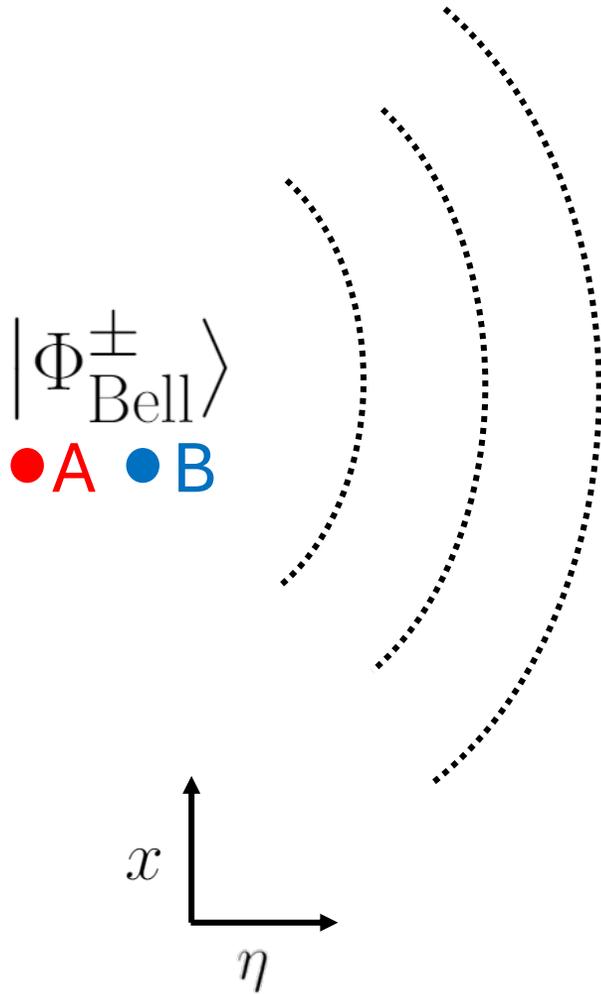
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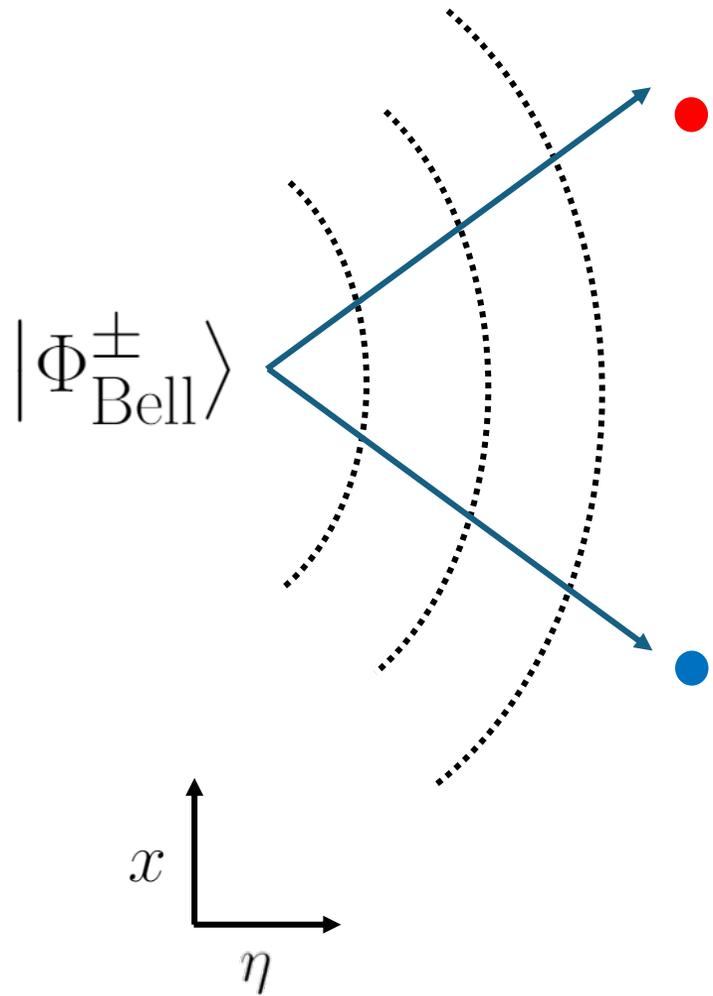


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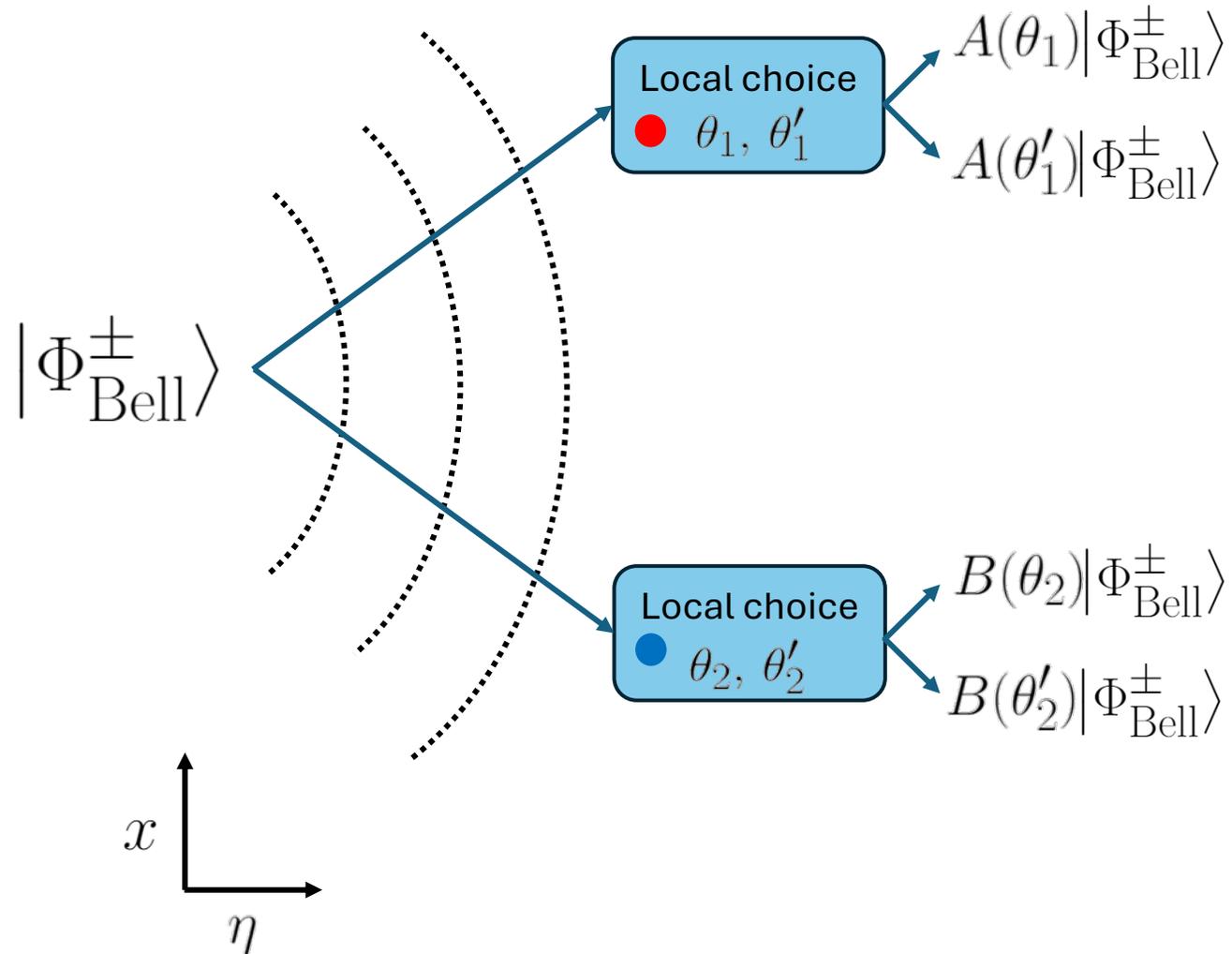
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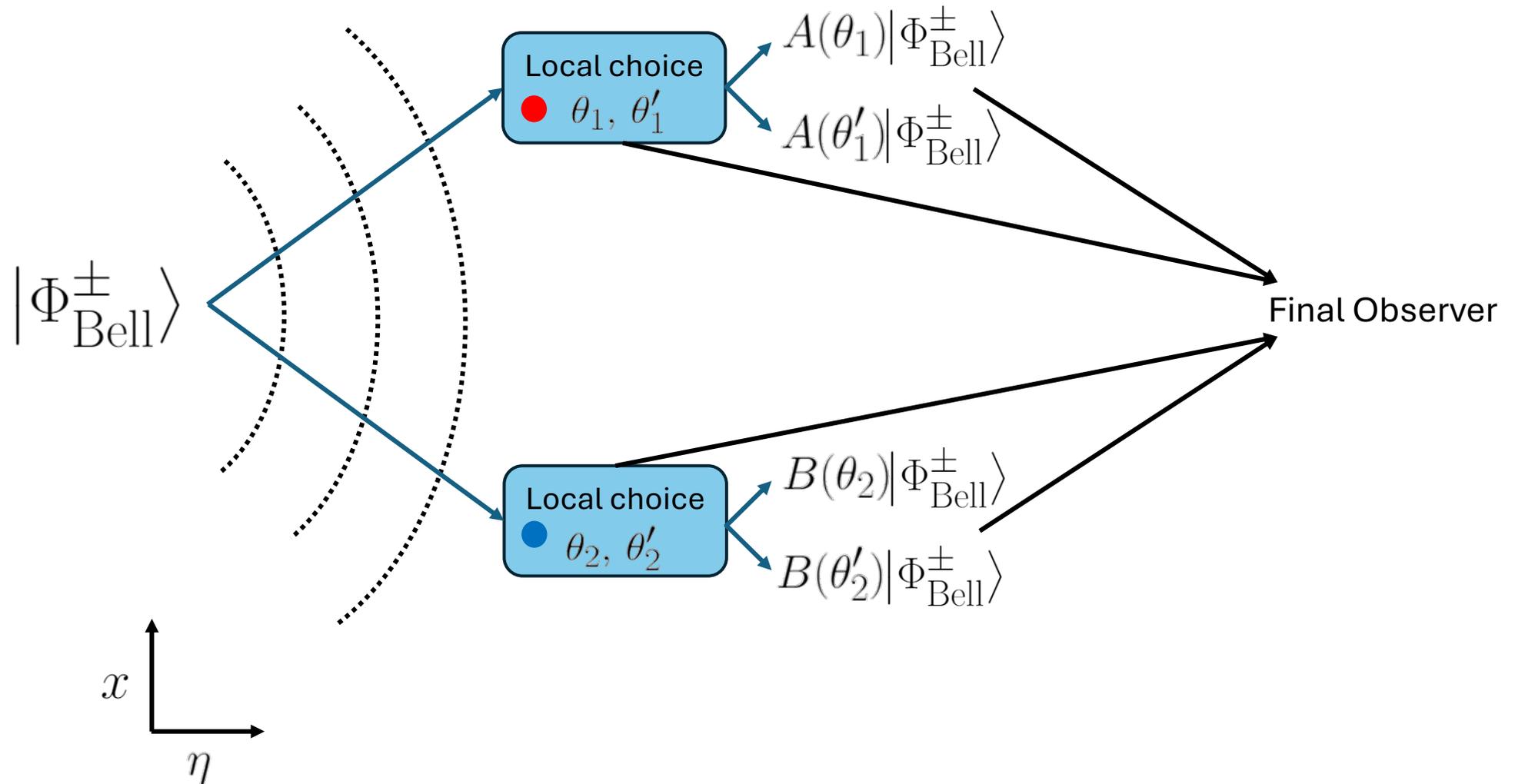
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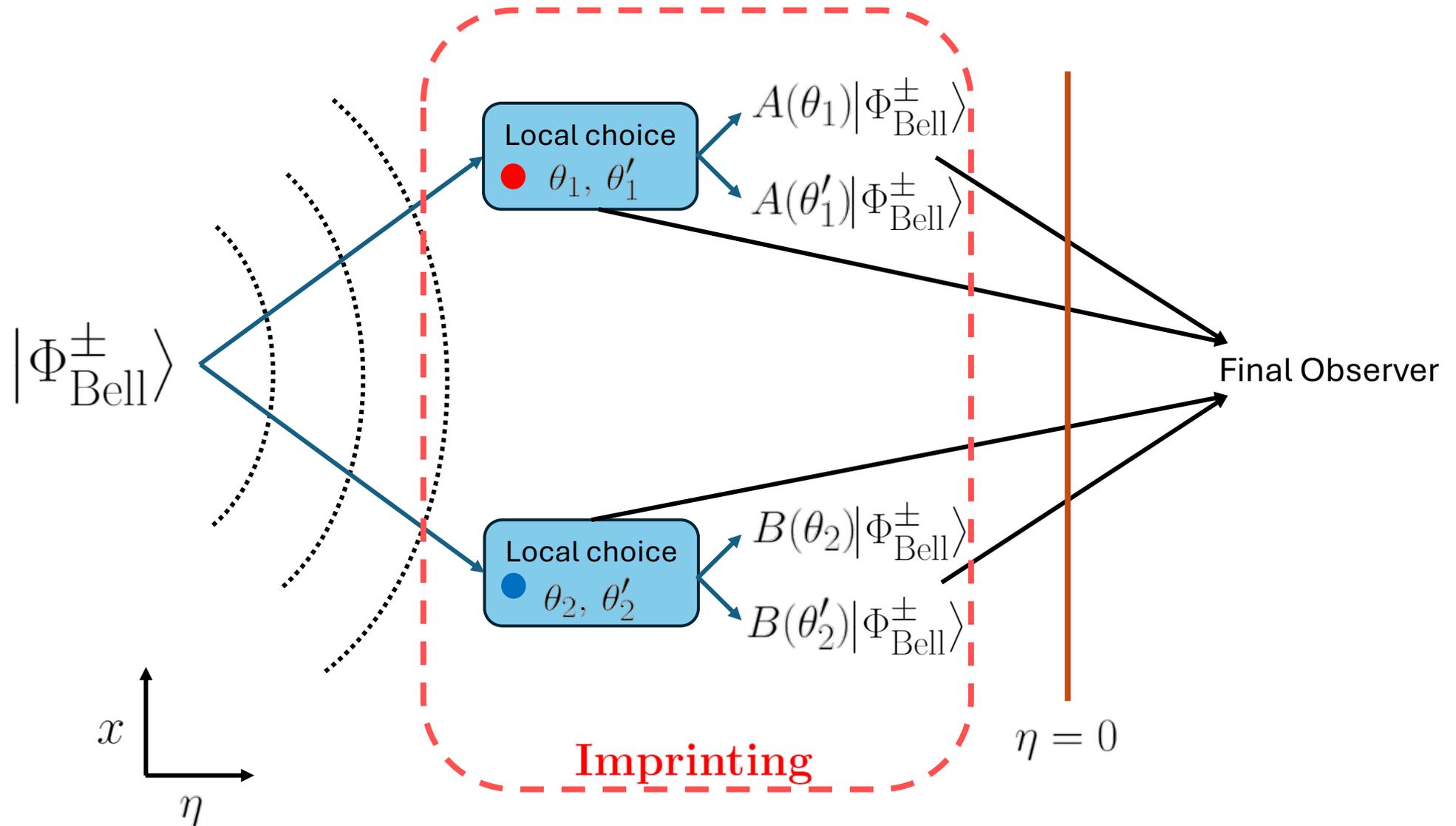
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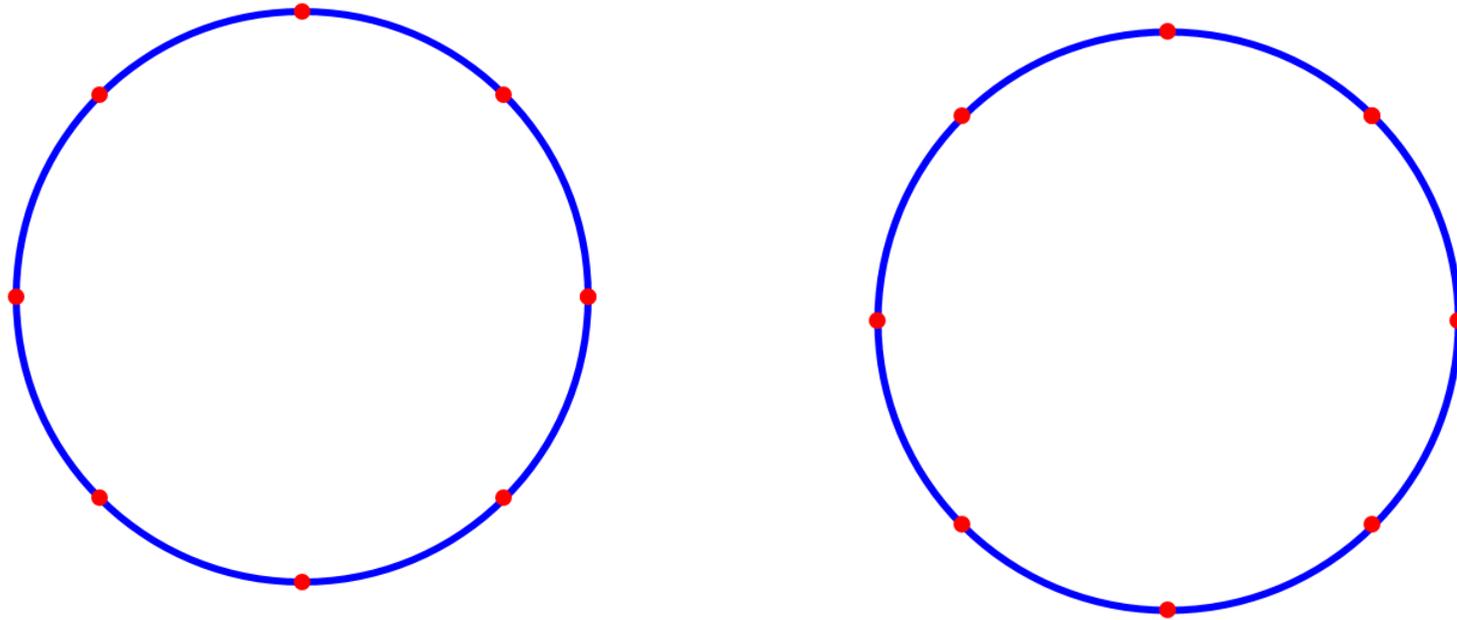


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- Observable with discrete spectrum – tensor polarizations: +, ×



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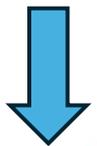
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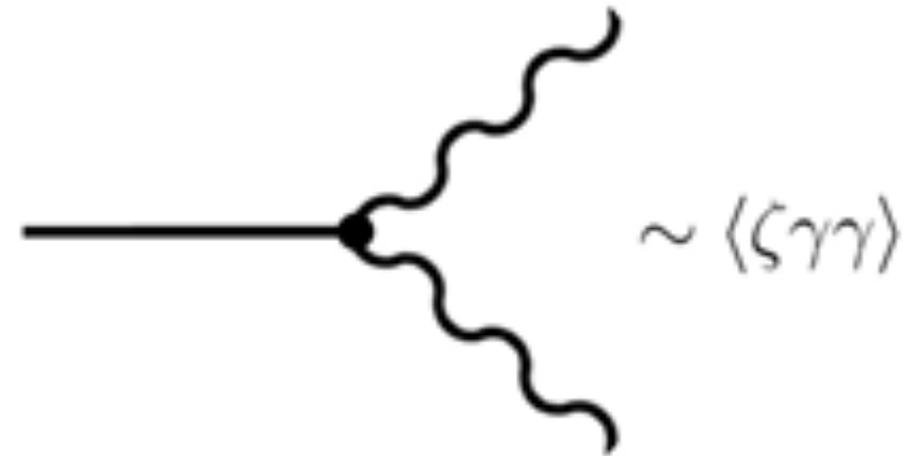
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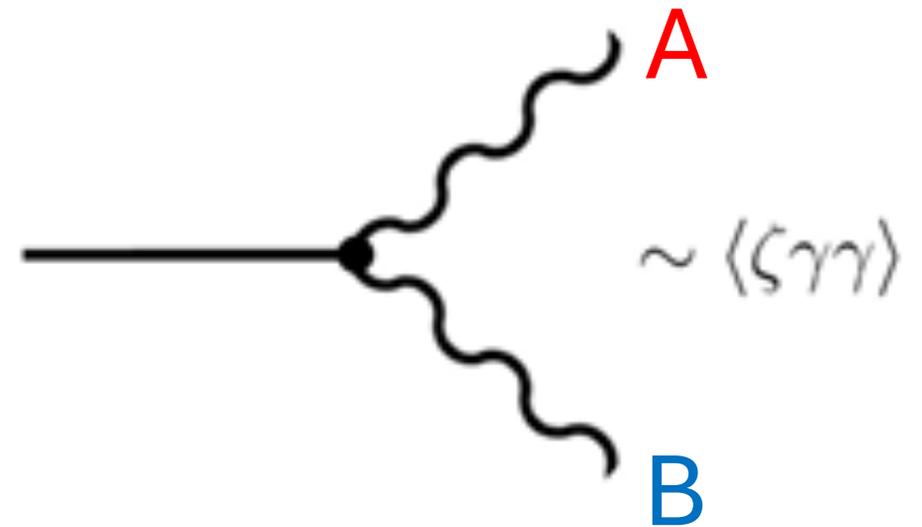
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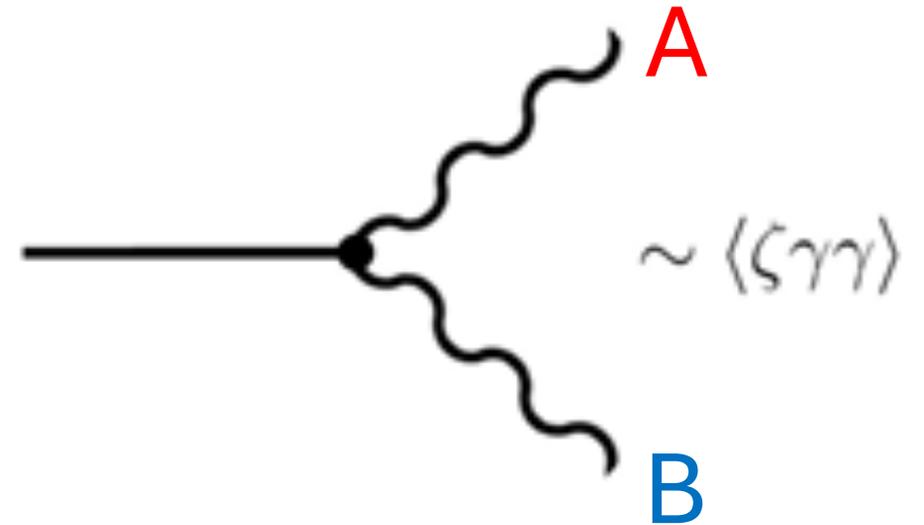
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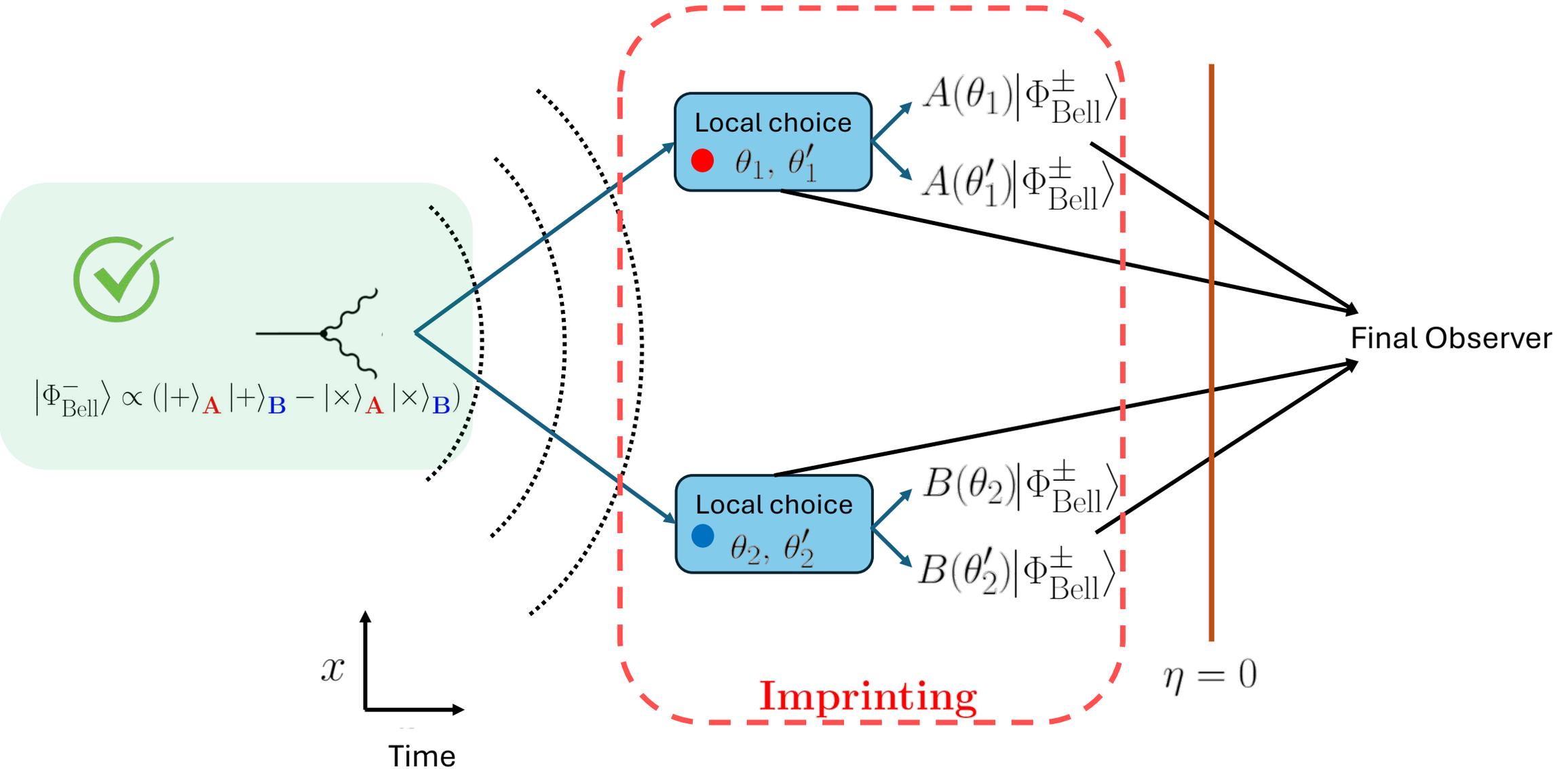
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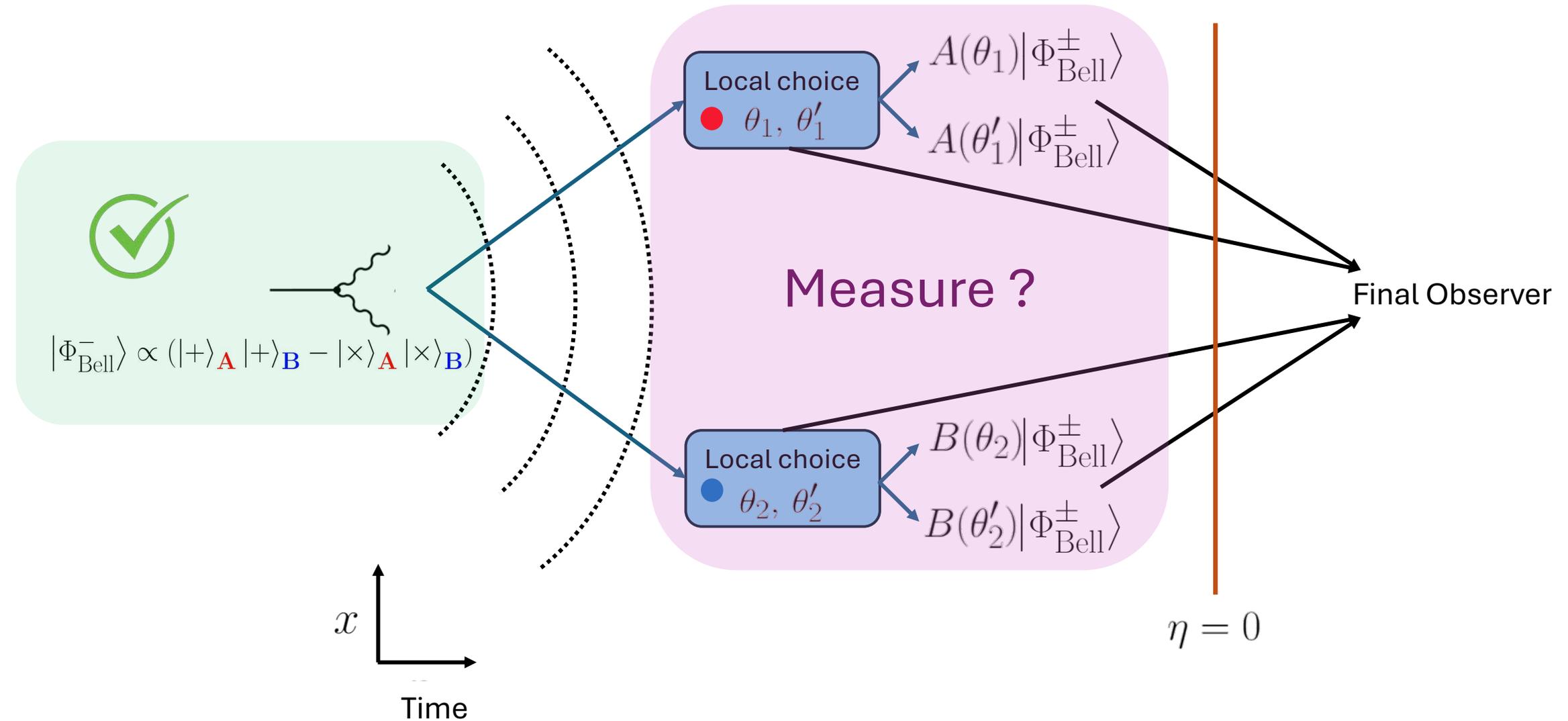


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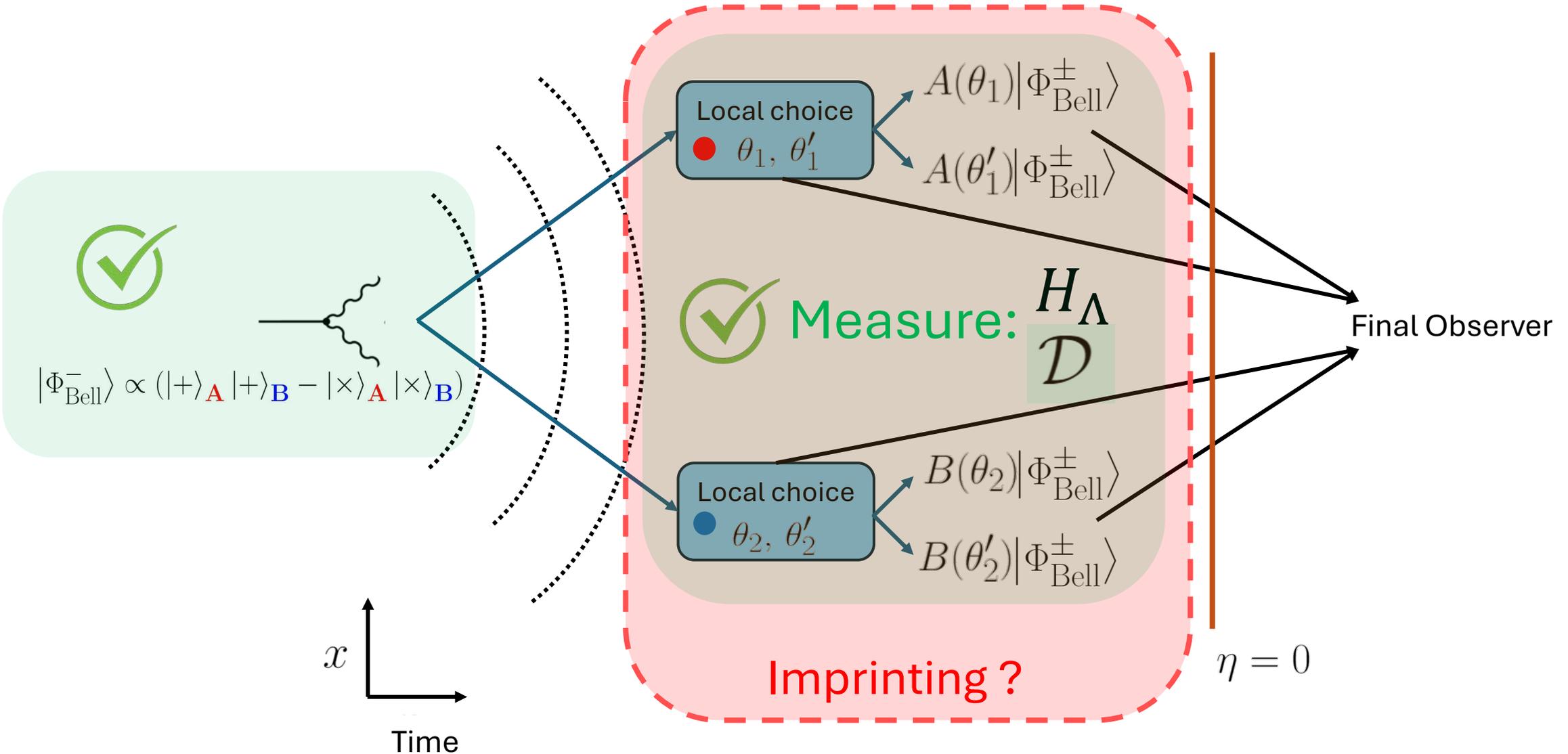
[D. Danielson, G. Satishchandran, R. Wald, arXiv:2301.00026]

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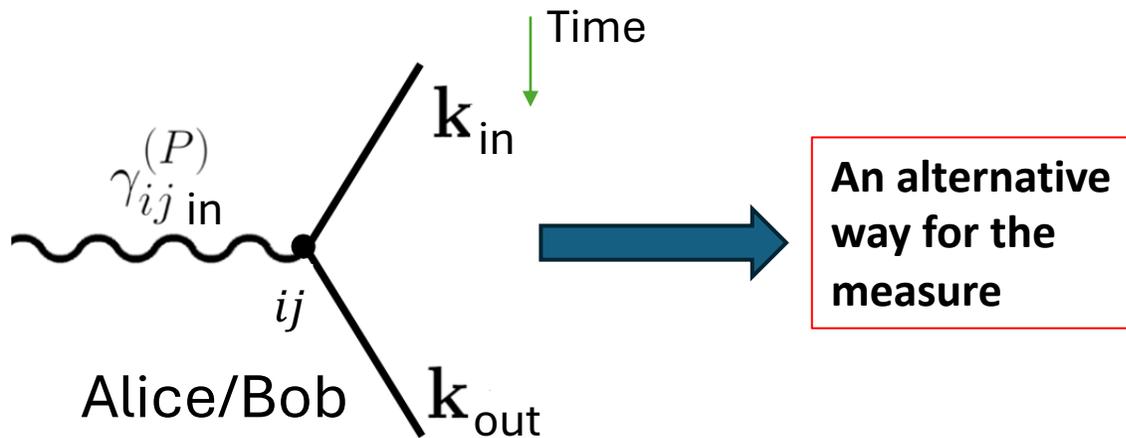


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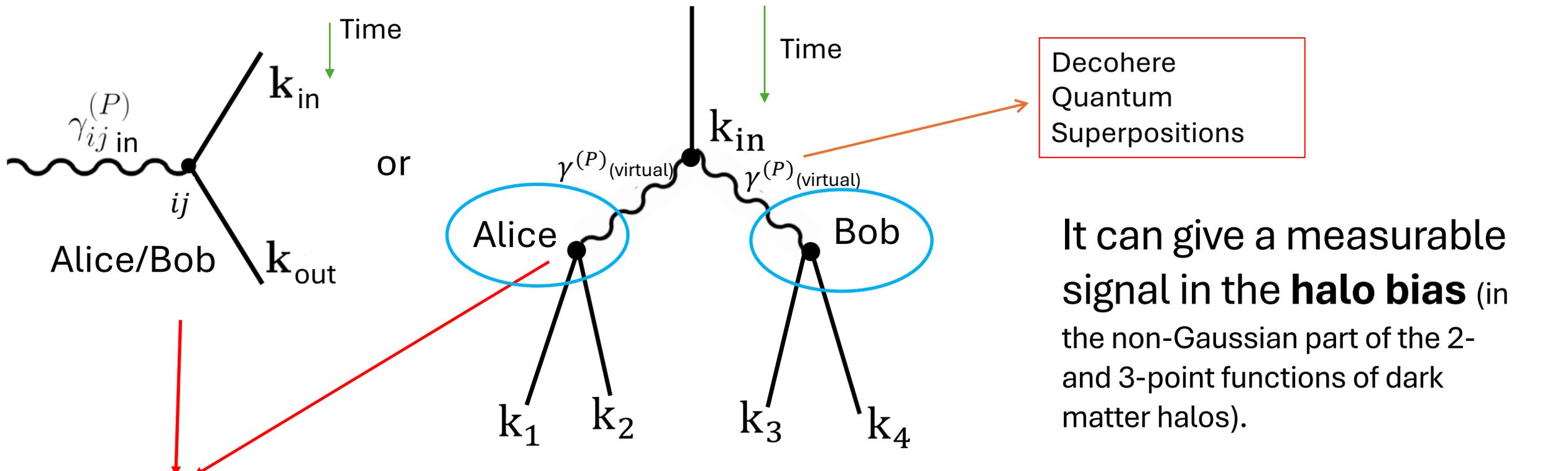
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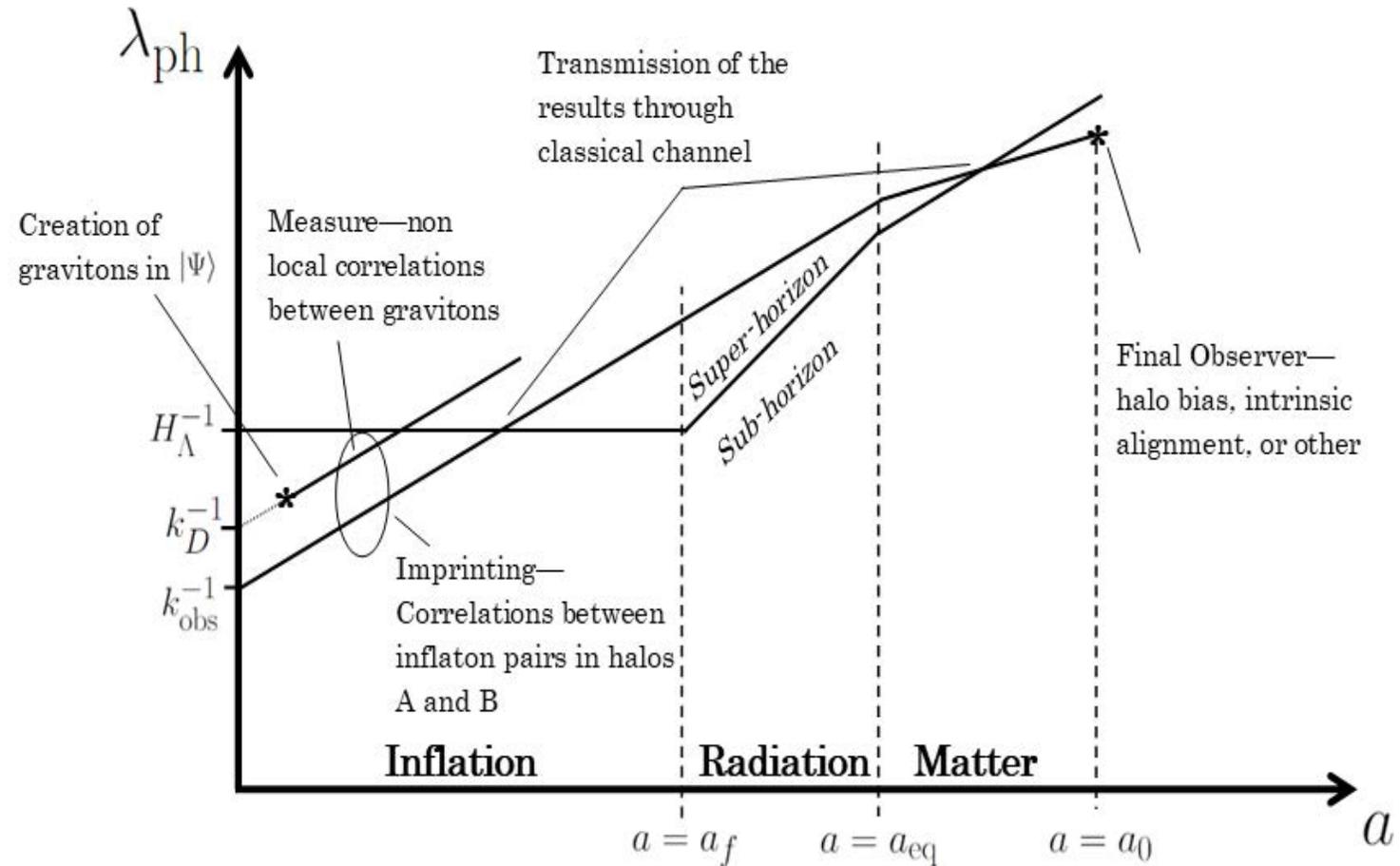
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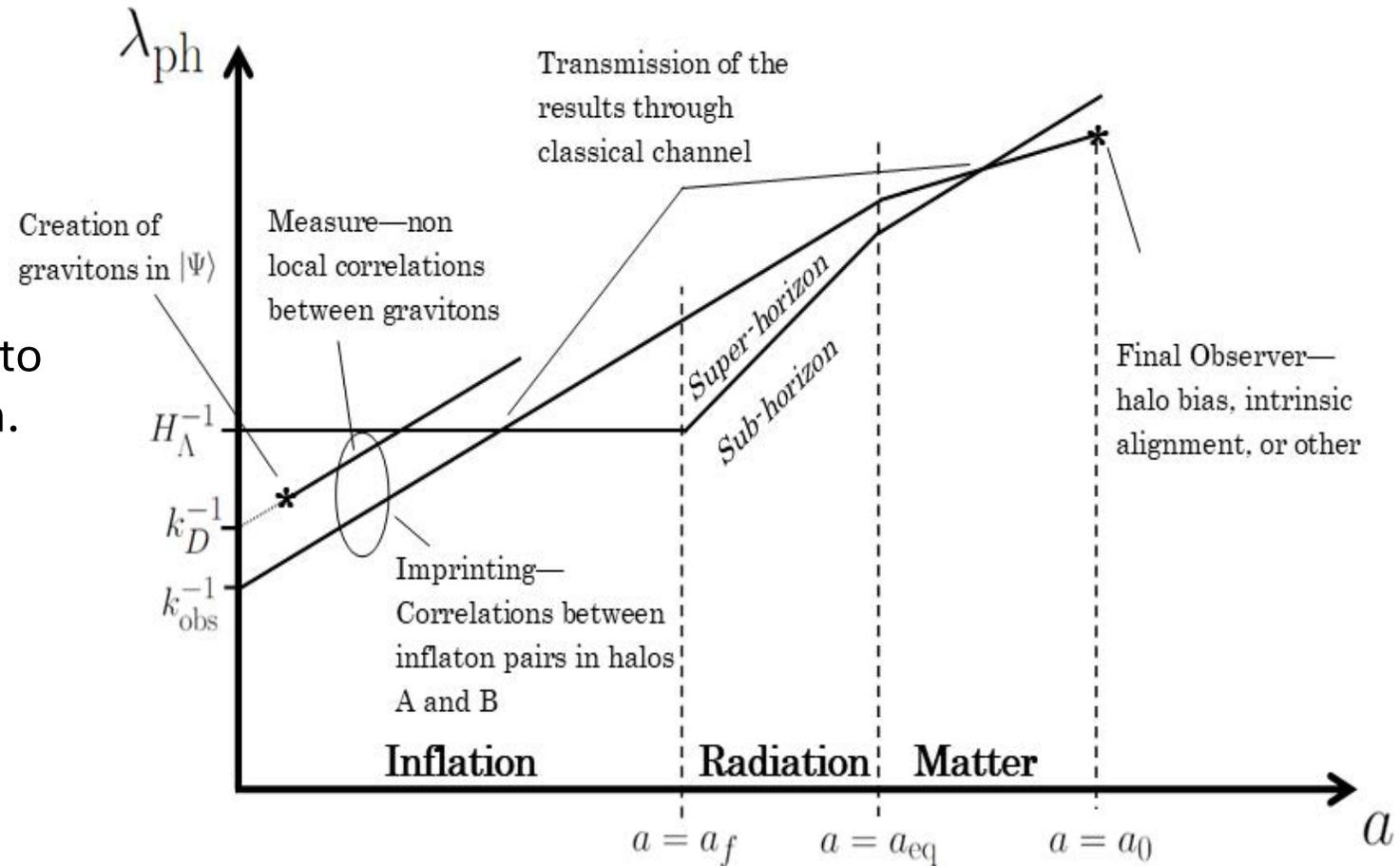
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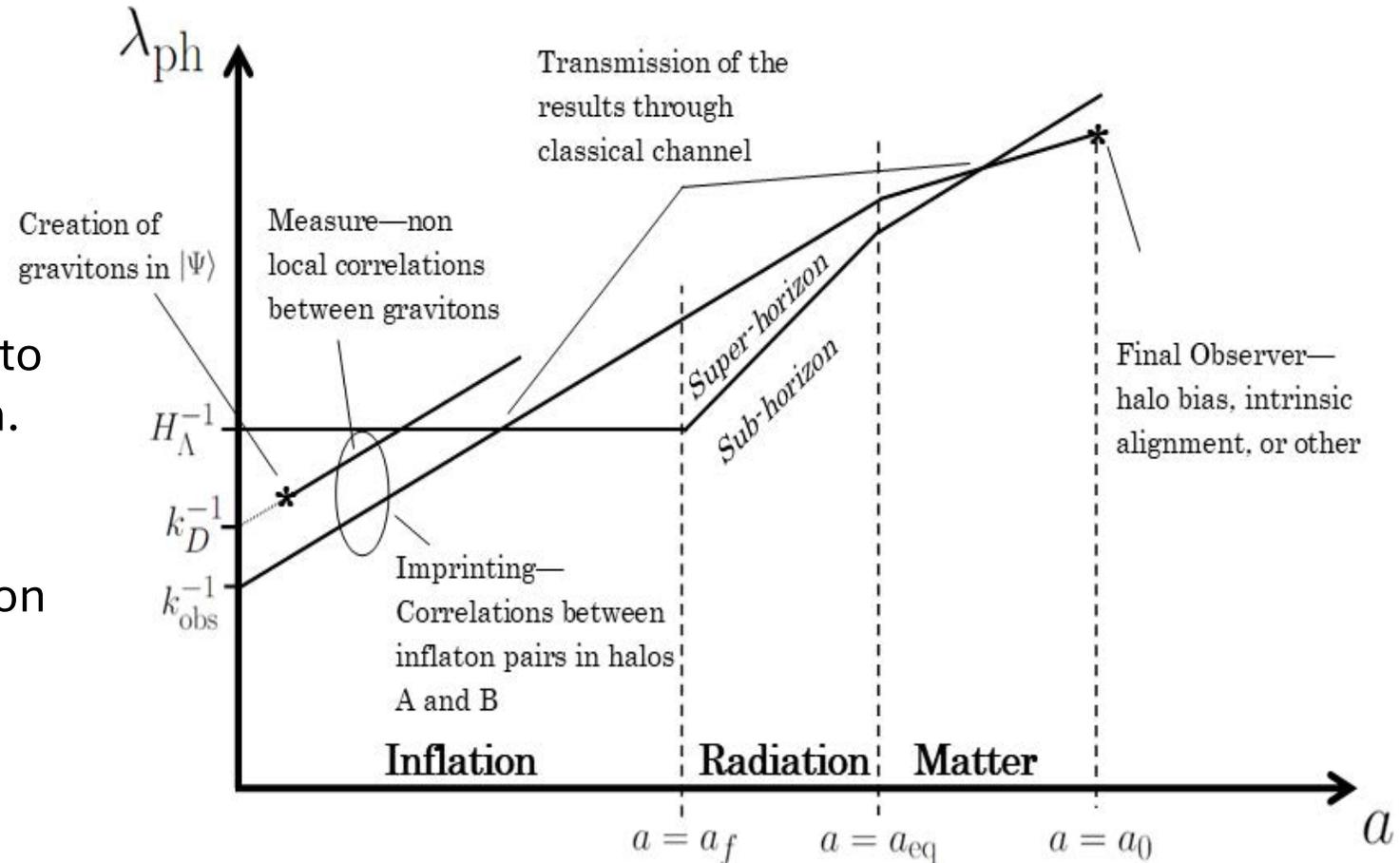
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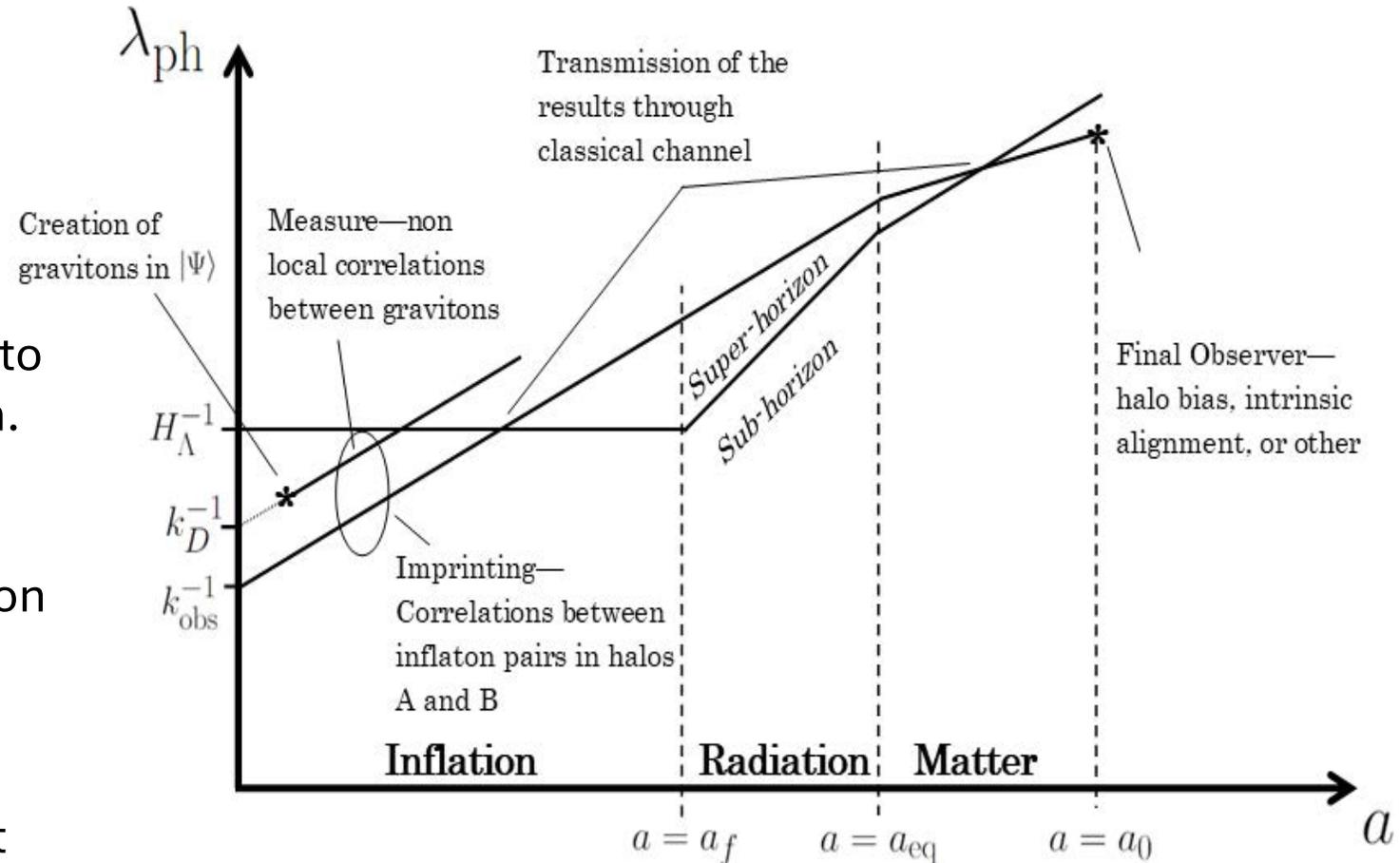
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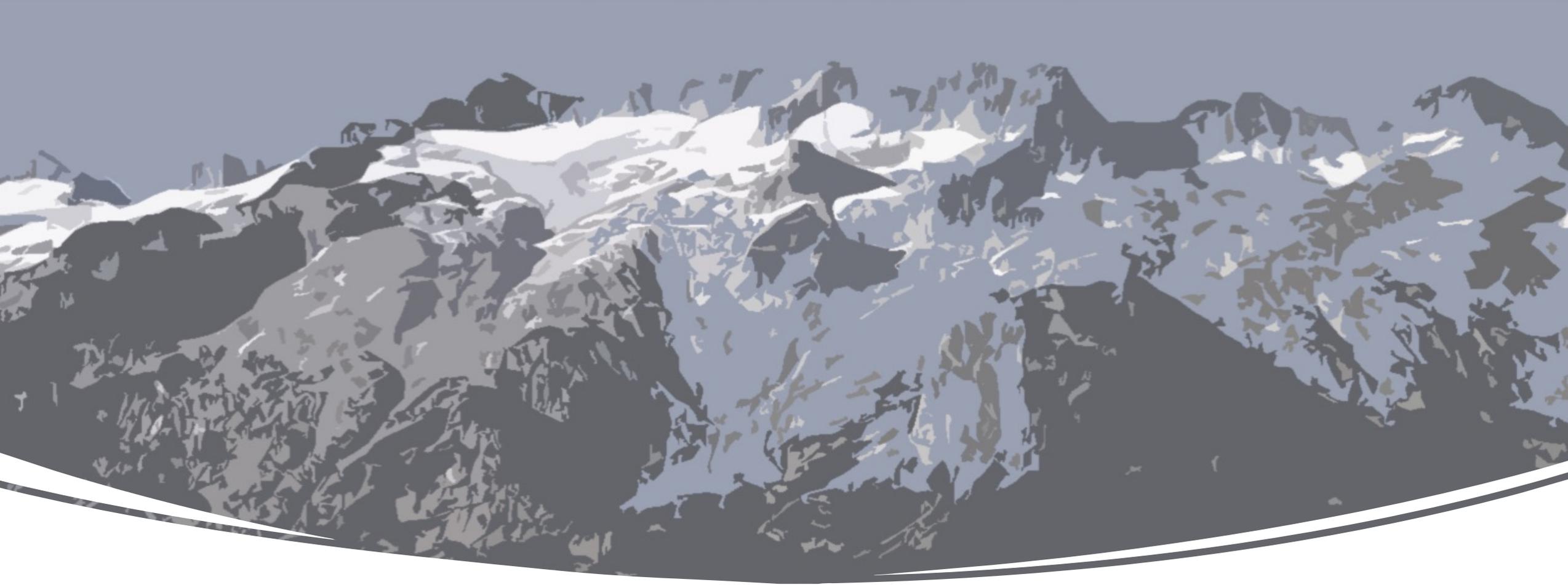
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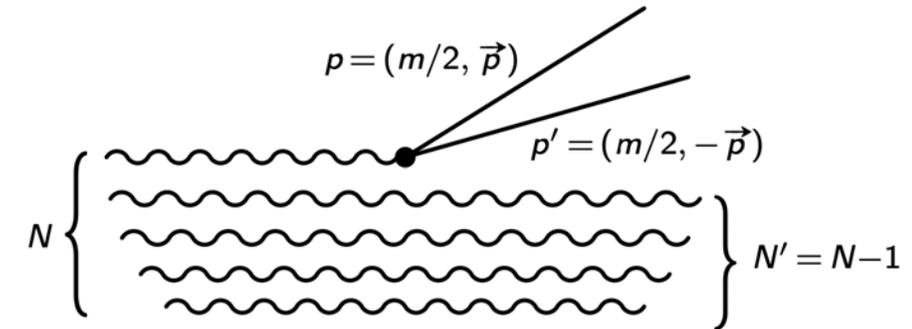
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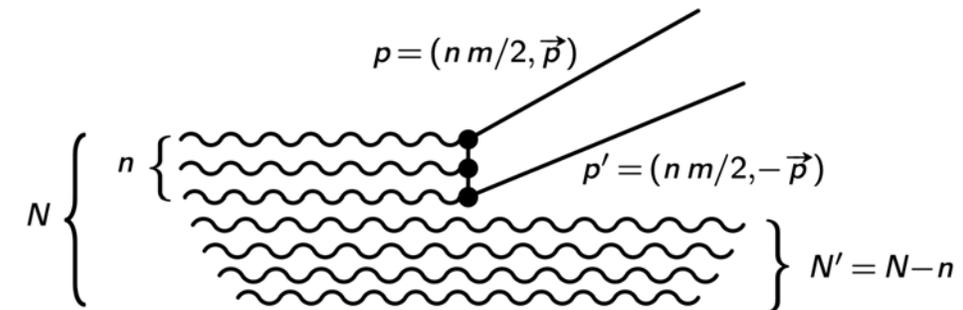
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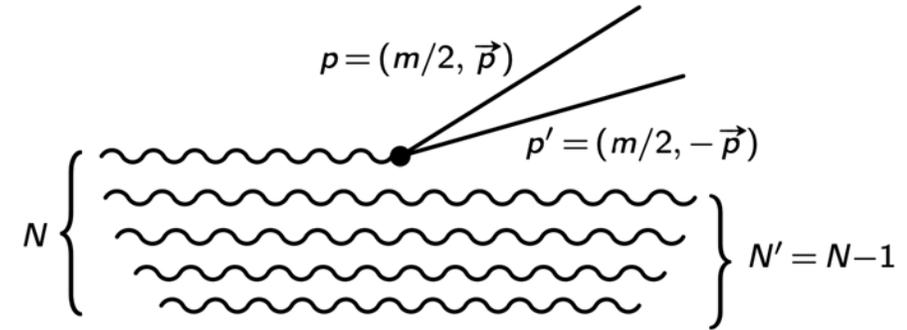
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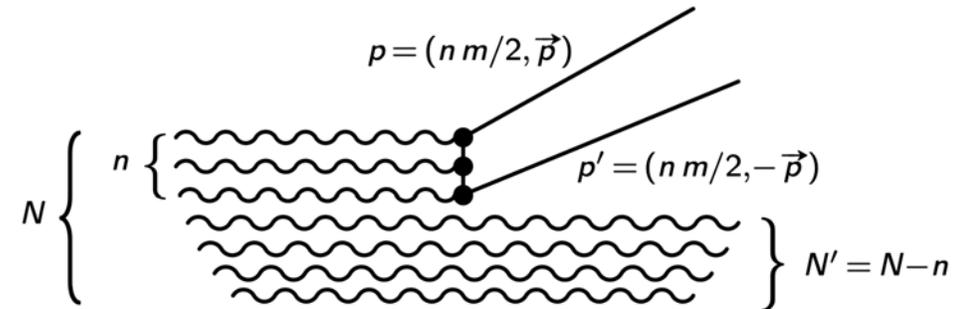
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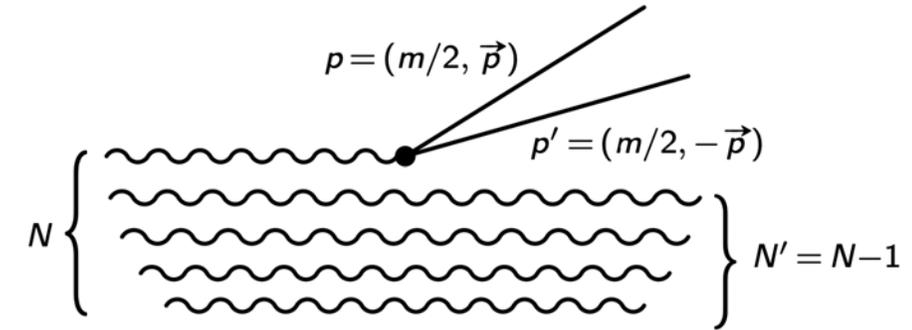


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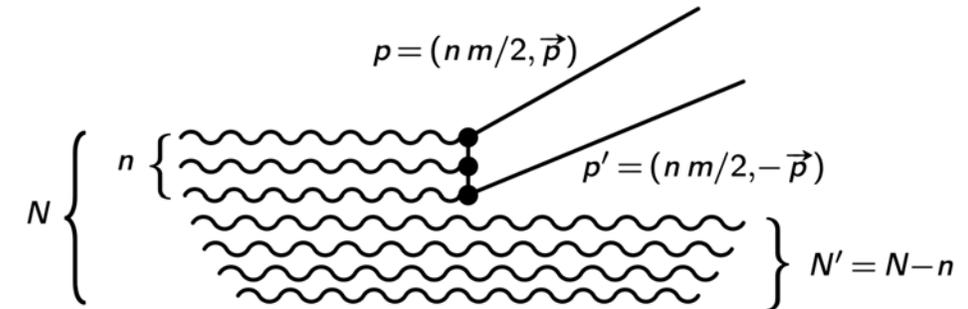
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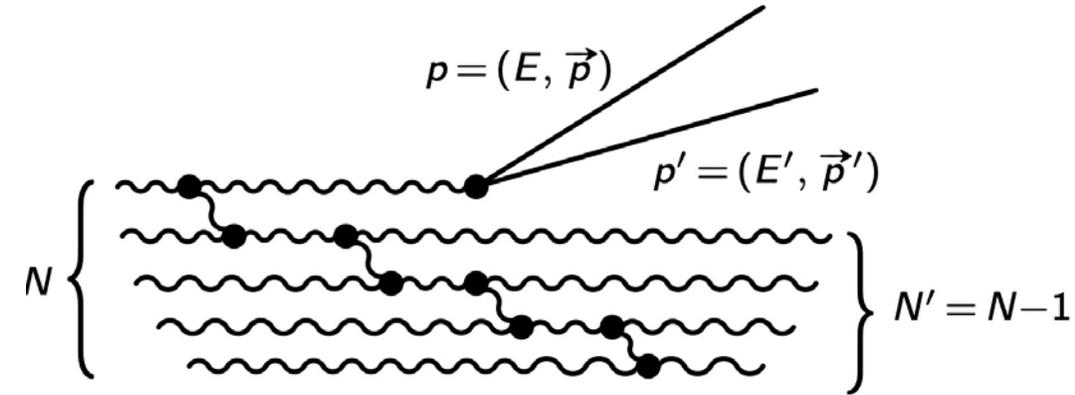


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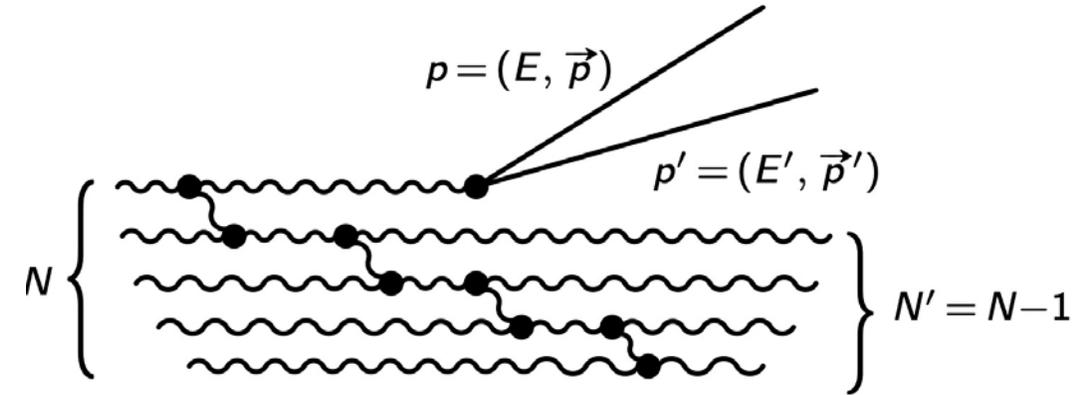


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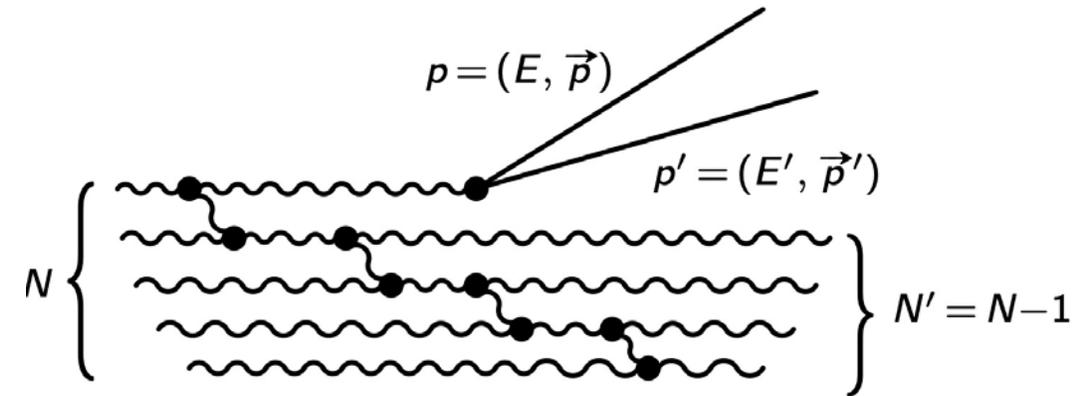


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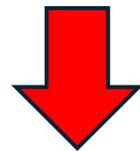
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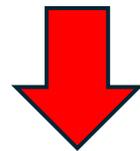
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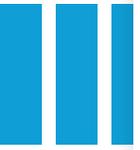
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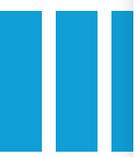
This, indeed, is the typical signal due to the spontaneous breaking of the time reversal symmetry [see Antoniadis+ (2007)].

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# E.g., Quantum Fisher Cosmology (QFC)

- Along this line of reasoning, an attempt is done in Gomez and R. Jimenez (2020, 2021a, 2021b), in a framework termed QFC. It has been shown that the tilt of the primordial scalar power spectrum can be predicted to be  $n_s = 0.9672$  just by considering the Heisenberg uncertainty principle in measuring time in dS

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In Alicki+ (2023a, b)] using an approach related to quantum thermodynamics:

- they provide a natural mechanism for the **irreversible relaxation of the cosmological constant**,
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Note that here **the considered fluid unavoidably arises from the vacuum expectation value of the second-order contribution** to the Einstein's tensor from gravitational waves (GW), which on sub-horizon scales leads to non-vanishing energy, pressure and anisotropic stress (**this point is raised also in Dvali + 2013!!**).

# SCALAR PERTURBATIONS FROM TENSOR MODES

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- We consider pure dS metric, which is in Cartesian coordinates,  $ds^2 = -dt^2 + e^{2t/\alpha}(dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2)$ ,

where  $\alpha \equiv (3/\Lambda)^{1/2}$  and  $\Lambda/8\pi G$  is the vacuum energy.

- We assume Einstein gravity and the following perturbed second order metric

$$g_{00} = -a^2(1 + \psi_2),$$

$$g_{0i} = \frac{a^2}{2} \omega_{2i},$$

$$g_{ij} = a^2 \left[ (1 - \phi_2) \delta_{ij} + \chi_{1ij} + \frac{1}{2} \chi_{2ij} \right],$$

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Indeed, if we try to solve the Einstein Equations for  $\psi_2$  and  $\phi_2$  we get as inconsistency on the solution for  $\phi_2$  (and, at the same time  $\psi_2=0$ ).

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NOTE: by using the idea by Dvali et al 2013 and 2017 this seemingly-classical system quantum mechanically as the mixture of the two “Bose-gases”:

- 1) the quantum coherent state that describes  $\Lambda$ ;
- 2) a cosmological fluid that plays the role of a cosmic clock! Precisely, this compositeness acts as a quantum clock (that becomes classical at scales larger than horizon) that imprints measurable effects into cosmological observables.

These effects are cumulative and gather the information throughout the entire duration of inflation.

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Considering only the tensor contribution we have, in the comoving frame of such a GW fluid,

$$u^\mu = \frac{1}{a} \left( \delta_0^\mu + \frac{1}{2} v_2^\mu \right),$$

from which we can compute  $u_\mu$  as:

$$u_0 = -a \left( 1 + \frac{1}{2} \psi_2 \right); \quad u_i = \frac{a}{2} (\omega_{2i} + v_{2i})$$

# SCALAR PERTURBATIONS FROM TENSOR MODES

For the 00 component at second order, we find

$$\frac{1}{2}\delta^2 T_0^0 = -\frac{1}{2}\delta^2 \rho .$$

The other components of  $T_\nu^\mu$  are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2}\delta^2 T_0^i &= -(1+w)\bar{\rho} \left[ \frac{1}{2}v_2^i \right] , \\ \frac{1}{2}\delta^2 T_j^i &= +\frac{1}{2}\delta^2 p\delta_j^i + \frac{1}{a^2}\frac{1}{2}\delta^2 \pi_j^i \end{aligned}$$

where  $\bar{\rho}$  and  $w$  are, respectively, the energy density and the equation of state at the background level.

We split the peculiar velocity  $v_{2i} = v_{2,i} + v_{\perp 2i}$  as, where  $v_{\perp 2i}$  is a solenoidal (divergence-free or transverse) vector.

# SCALAR PERTURBATIONS FROM TENSOR MODES

- The anisotropic stress tensor can be decomposed into a trace-free scalar part,  $\Pi$ , a vector part,  $\Pi_i$ , and a tensor part,  $\Pi_{ij}$ , at each order according to

$$\frac{1}{a^2} \delta^2 \pi_{ij} = \left[ \Pi_{2,ij} - \frac{1}{3} \nabla^2 \Pi_2 \delta_{ij} + \frac{1}{3} (\Pi_{2i,j} + \Pi_{2j,i}) + \Pi_{2ij} \right].$$

# Equation for $\phi_2$

Considering a graviton perturbation, with generic  $w$  and  $c_s c_s$ , where  $\delta^2 p = c_s^2 \delta^2 \rho$  and manipulating the Einstein equations, we find the **Master Equation** for  $\phi_2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \phi_2'' + 3(1 + c_s^2) \mathcal{H} \phi_2' + [2\mathcal{H}' + (1 + 3c_s^2) \mathcal{H}^2] \phi_2 - c_s^2 \nabla^2 \phi_2 = 8\pi G a^2 [2\mathcal{H}' + 3(1 + c_s^2) \mathcal{H}^2] \Pi_2 \\
 + \frac{8\pi G}{3} a^2 \nabla^2 \Pi_2 + 8\pi G a^2 \mathcal{H} \Pi_2' - \frac{3}{2} [2\mathcal{H}' + (1 + 3c_s^2) \mathcal{H}^2] \nabla^{-4} \partial_i \partial^j \mathcal{A}_j^i - \frac{3}{2} \mathcal{H} \nabla^{-4} \partial_i \partial^j \mathcal{A}_j^{i'} - \frac{1}{2} \nabla^{-2} \partial_i \partial^j \mathcal{A}_j^i \\
 - [2\mathcal{H}' + (1 + 3c_s^2) \mathcal{H}^2] \nabla^{-2} \left[ -\frac{3}{4} \chi_1^{lk,m} \chi_{1kl,m} - \frac{1}{2} \chi_1^{kl} \nabla^2 \chi_{1lk} + \frac{1}{2} \chi_{1,l}^{km} \chi_{1m,k}^l + \frac{1}{2} \chi_{1km}' \chi_{1km}' - \frac{3}{2} \nabla^{-2} \partial_i \partial_j (\chi_{1k}^i \chi_{1kj}') \right] \\
 + \frac{3}{8} \chi_{1,k}^{ml} \chi_{1lm}^k - \frac{3}{8} \chi_1^{kl'} \chi_{1kl}' - \frac{1}{4} \chi_{1k,l}^m \chi_{1,m}^{lk} - \mathcal{H} \nabla^{-2} \left[ -\frac{3}{2} \chi_1^{lk,m'} \chi_{1kl,m} + \frac{1}{2} \chi_1^{kl'} \nabla^2 \chi_{1lk} - \frac{1}{2} \chi_1^{kl} \nabla^2 \chi_{1lk}' + \frac{1}{2} \chi_{1,l}^{km'} \chi_{1m,k}^l \right. \\
 \left. + \frac{1}{2} \chi_{1,l}^{km} \chi_{1m,k}^l - 2\mathcal{H} \chi_{1km}' \chi_{1km}' \right] + 3\mathcal{H} \nabla^{-4} \left( -2\mathcal{H} \chi_{1k,j}^i \chi_{1k,i}^j + \chi_{1k,i}^j \nabla^2 \chi_{1k,j}^i \right) + \frac{1}{2} \nabla^{-2} \partial_i \partial_j (\chi_{1k}^i \chi_{1kj}') \\
 + c_s^2 \left[ -\frac{1}{8} \chi_1^{ik'} \chi_{1ki}' - \mathcal{H} \chi_1^{ik} \chi_{1ki}' + \frac{1}{2} \chi_1^{mk} \nabla^2 \chi_{1mk} + \frac{3}{8} \chi_{1,k}^{ml} \chi_{1lm}^k - \frac{1}{4} \chi_{1k,l}^m \chi_{1,m}^{lk} \right],
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\mathcal{A}_j^i = \frac{1}{2} \chi_1^{lk,i} \chi_{1kl,j} + \chi_1^{kl} \chi_{1lk,j}^i - \chi_1^{kl} \chi_{1l,jk}^i - \chi_1^{kl} \chi_{1lj,k}^i + \chi_1^{kl} \chi_{1j,kl}^i + \chi_{1,l}^{ik} \chi_{1jk}^l - \chi_{1,l}^{ki} \chi_{1j,k}^l.$$

# Equation for $\psi_2$

Using the traceless part of the ij components we find

$$\psi_2 = \phi_2 - 8\pi G a^2 \Pi_2 - \frac{\mathcal{F}_\chi}{4},$$

where

$$\mathcal{F}_\chi = 4\nabla^{-2} \left( \frac{3}{4} \chi_1^{lk,m} \chi_{1kl,m} + \frac{1}{2} \chi_1^{kl} \nabla^2 \chi_{1lk} - \frac{1}{2} \chi_{1,l}^{km} \chi_{1m,k}^l \right) - 6\nabla^{-4} \partial_i \partial^j \mathcal{A}_j^i,$$

and, considering only the tensor contribution, the gauge-invariant curvature perturbation on uniform density hypersurfaces is

$$\zeta_2 = -\phi_2 - \frac{\mathcal{H}}{\bar{\rho}'} \delta^2 \rho.$$

Then using the energy constraint equation we get

$$\zeta_2 = -\phi_2 + \frac{\mathcal{H}}{4\pi G a^2 \rho'} \left[ 3\mathcal{H}\phi_2' + 3\mathcal{H}^2\psi_2 - \nabla^2\phi_2 + \frac{1}{8}\chi_1^{ik'} \chi'_{1ki} + \mathcal{H}\chi_1^{ik} \chi'_{1ki} - \frac{1}{2}\chi_1^{mk} \nabla^2 \chi_{1mk} - \frac{3}{8}\chi_{1,k}^{ml} \chi_{ml}^{1,k} + \frac{1}{4}\chi_{1k,l}^m \chi_{1,m}^{lk} \right].$$

# Focusing only modes larger than the horizon...

- Focusing only modes larger than the horizon, neglecting terms that contain  $\chi_{1kj}'$ , and considering only terms with total number of spatial derivatives equal (or less) than zero, we find

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_2'' - \frac{3(1+c_s^2)}{\eta} \phi_2' + \frac{3(1+c_s^2)}{\eta^2} \phi_2 = & +8\pi G \frac{(5+3c_s^2)}{H_\Lambda^2 \eta^4} \Pi_2 - \frac{8\pi G}{H_\Lambda^2 \eta^3} \Pi_2' \\ & - \frac{3(1+c_s^2)}{\eta^2} \left[ \frac{3}{2} \nabla^{-4} \partial_i \partial^j \mathcal{A}_j^i + \nabla^{-2} \left( -\frac{3}{4} \chi_1^{lk,m} \chi_{1kl,m} - \frac{1}{2} \chi_1^{kl} \nabla^2 \chi_{1lk} + \frac{1}{2} \chi_{1,l}^{km} \chi_{1m,k}^l \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

where we set, in de Sitter Universe,  $H = H_\Lambda$  is constant and  $\mathcal{H}' = \mathcal{H}^2$ ,  $\eta = -\exp[-H_\Lambda t]/H_\Lambda$ , i.e.  $a(\eta) = -1/H_\Lambda \eta$  and  $\mathcal{H} = -1/\eta$ .

# Focusing modes larger than the horizon for $\phi_2$ is const.

In this case we need an extra relation to close the equations and find a general solution.

Un possible way is to look at the particular solution in which  $\phi_2$  is constant on very large scales. In this case we get

$$\phi_2 = +8\pi G \frac{(5 + 3c_s^2)}{3(1 + c_s^2) H_\Lambda^2 \eta^2} \Pi_2 - \frac{8\pi G}{3(1 + c_s^2) H_\Lambda^2 \eta} \Pi'_2 + \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{F}_\chi = \text{const.}$$

and let us write the traceless part as

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_2 &= \phi_2 - 8\pi G a^2 \Pi_2 + \frac{3}{2} \nabla^{-4} \partial_i \partial^j \mathcal{A}_j^i + \nabla^{-2} \left[ -\frac{3}{4} \chi_1^{lk,m} \chi_{1kl,m} - \frac{1}{2} \chi_1^{kl} \nabla^2 \chi_{1lk} + \frac{1}{2} \chi_{1,l}^{km} \chi_{1m,k}^l \right] \\ &= \phi_2 - \frac{8\pi G}{H_\Lambda^2 \eta^2} \Pi_2 - \frac{\mathcal{F}_\chi}{4}, \end{aligned}$$

and combine them we find

$$\psi_2 = \frac{8\pi G}{H_\Lambda^2 \eta^2} \left[ \frac{(5 + 3c_s^2)}{3(1 + c_s^2)} - 1 \right] \Pi_2 - \frac{8\pi G}{3(1 + c_s^2) H_\Lambda^2 \eta} \Pi'_2.$$

Focusing modes larger than the horizon for  $\phi_2$  is const.

- Then using the energy-momentum constraint equation we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{8\pi G}{H_\Lambda^2} \Pi_2 &= \eta_{\text{in}}^2 \left[ \frac{8\pi G}{\eta_{\text{in}}^2 H_\Lambda^2} \Pi_{2\text{in}} - \left( \phi_2 - \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{F}_\chi \right) \right] \left( \frac{\eta}{\eta_{\text{in}}} \right)^{(5+3c_s^2)} \\ &+ \left( \phi_2 - \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{F}_\chi \right) \eta^2 \\ \psi_2 &= \left[ -\frac{8\pi G}{\eta_{\text{in}}^2 H_\Lambda^2} \Pi_{2\text{in}} + \left( \phi_2 - \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{F}_\chi \right) \right] \left( \frac{\eta}{\eta_{\text{in}}} \right)^{3(1+c_s^2)}. \end{aligned}$$

We can quickly verify that the previous two equations can be combined again to recover the usual relation

$$\frac{8\pi G}{\eta_{\text{in}}^2 H_\Lambda^2} \Pi_2 + \psi_2 \left( \frac{\eta}{\eta_{\text{in}}} \right)^2 = \left( \phi_2 - \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{F}_\chi \right) \left( \frac{\eta}{\eta_{\text{in}}} \right)^2.$$

For  $\phi_2$  is const., is it possible to have  $\psi_2 \neq 0$ ?

These relations

$$\psi_2 = \left[ -\frac{8\pi G}{\eta_{\text{in}}^2 H_\Lambda^2} \Pi_{2\text{in}} + \left( \phi_2 - \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{F}_\chi \right) \right] \left( \frac{\eta}{\eta_{\text{in}}} \right)^{3(1+c_s^2)}$$

and

$$\frac{8\pi G}{\eta_{\text{in}}^2 H_\Lambda^2} \Pi_2 + \psi_2 \left( \frac{\eta}{\eta_{\text{in}}} \right)^2 = \left( \phi_2 - \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{F}_\chi \right) \left( \frac{\eta}{\eta_{\text{in}}} \right)^2 .$$

suggest that if

$$\left( \phi_2 - \frac{1}{4} \mathcal{F}_\chi \right) = \frac{8\pi G}{\eta_{\text{in}}^2 H_\Lambda^2} \Pi_{2\text{in}} ,$$

we have  $\psi_2 = 0$  when  $\phi_2 = \mathcal{F}_\chi/4$ .

- Let us point out that  $\psi_2 = 0$  on very large scales is a **possible solution** but it is not sufficient if we want to promote these solutions to those describing the scalar primordial power spectrum.

# A comment:

As can be seen from the metrics we have considered, with our approach we can analytically study vectors and tensors at the second order.

These contributions will also be analysed in detail in a subsequent paper.

When  $\psi_2 = 0$  and  $\phi_2 = \mathcal{F}_\chi/4$

Let me focus **only on** the first terms in

$$\mathcal{F}_\chi = 4\nabla^{-2} \left( \frac{3}{4} \chi_1^{lk,m} \chi_{1kl,m} + \frac{1}{2} \chi_1^{kl} \nabla^2 \chi_{1lk} - \frac{1}{2} \chi_{1,l}^{km} \chi_{1m,k} \right) - 6\nabla^{-4} \partial_i \partial^j \mathcal{A}_j^i,$$

then we have

$$\Delta_\phi(k) = \frac{k^3}{2\pi^2} \frac{1}{64(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{k^4} \int d^3k_1 d^3k_2 \delta^{(3)}[\mathbf{k} - (\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2)] \mathcal{K}_h(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2) \left[ \frac{2\pi^2}{k_1^3} \frac{16}{\pi} \left( \frac{H_{\text{inf}}}{m_{\text{pl}}} \right)^2 \right] \left[ \frac{2\pi^2}{k_2^3} \frac{16}{\pi} \left( \frac{H_{\text{inf}}}{m_{\text{pl}}} \right)^2 \right]$$

where

$$\mathcal{K}_h(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2, k^2) = \left\{ \left( k_1^2 + k_2^2 + 3\mathbf{k}_1 \cdot \mathbf{k}_2 \right)^2 \left[ \left( 1 - \hat{\mathbf{k}}_1 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{k}}_2 \right)^4 + \left( 1 + \hat{\mathbf{k}}_1 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{k}}_2 \right)^4 \right] \right. \\ \left. + 8(\mathbf{k}_1 \cdot \mathbf{k}_2) (k_1^2 + k_2^2 + 3\mathbf{k}_1 \cdot \mathbf{k}_2) \left( \hat{\mathbf{k}}_1 \times \hat{\mathbf{k}}_2 \right)^2 \left[ 3 + \left( \hat{\mathbf{k}}_1 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{k}}_2 \right)^2 \right] + 8k_1^2 k_2^2 \left( \hat{\mathbf{k}}_1 \times \hat{\mathbf{k}}_2 \right)^4 \left[ 1 + \left( \hat{\mathbf{k}}_1 \cdot \hat{\mathbf{k}}_2 \right)^2 \right] \right\}$$

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... or let me rephrase with other questions...

- This results show how the second-order scalar fluctuation grows as  $k\eta \rightarrow 0$  and thus, dominates over the tensor modes.
- In this set up the curvature perturbation does not stay constant, which is a crucial property of this variable  $\zeta$ ?
- What is the justification for not having constant  $\zeta$ ?
- Why does the elimination of this characteristic not matter in this case?

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Possible answer(s):

- This effect is very important (for the framework we are considering in this paper) to obtain at the end of inflation an amplitude for the power spectrum of  $P_\zeta$  that is larger than the tensor one.
- This is a specific feature of our scenario, which allows us to reach constraints imposed, for instance, at CMB scales. Otherwise, we are not able to reach the constraint imposed, for example, by CMB measurements. As for the smallest (comoving) scales, they should be very small compared to the (comoving) cosmological horizon.
- Of course, there are several non-trivial effects that can be directly observed via Master equation that we have obtained.

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Note that the non-constant part of  $\zeta$  is **CRUCIAL** if we want to measure **quantum mechanics effects!**

Indeed, in this case, during the inflation epoch

$$[\zeta_{\vec{k}}, \dot{\zeta}_{-\vec{k}}] \neq 0!!!$$

See also the discussion made in Madalcena (2015)

**E.g. via a similar prescription made in the first part of the talk!**

For  $\phi_2$  is const., is it possible to have  $\psi_2 \neq 0$ ?

Note that here,  $\eta_{\text{in}}$  is a suitable initial time in which the hypothesis that  $\phi_2$  is const., i.e on very large scale (where our hypothesis is correct).

Then, considering just a mode with a given comoving  $k$ , we know that this assumption is reasonably correct just after horizon crossing.

Then  $\eta_{\text{in}}$  must depend on comoving  $k$  (i.e., for different  $k$  we should have a suitable  $\eta_{\text{in}}$ ). In this case, as a first approximation, we can set  $|\eta_{\text{in}}(k)| \approx 1/c_s k$ .

Therefore, if we Fourier transform all these variables we obtain

$$\tilde{\psi}_2 \simeq \left[ -\frac{8\pi G}{H_\Lambda^2} c_s^2 k^2 \tilde{\Pi}_{2\text{in}} + \left( \tilde{\phi}_2 - \frac{1}{4} \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_\chi \right) \right] (c_s k |\eta|)^{3(1+c_s^2)}$$

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At super-horizon scales, still assuming  $\phi_2$  is const., where we left  $w$  and  $c_s$  generic

$$\bar{\rho}(\eta) = \bar{\rho}_{\text{in}} \left( \frac{\eta}{\eta_{\text{in}}} \right)^{3(1+w)} = \bar{\rho}_{\text{in}} (c_s k |\eta|)^{3(1+w)}$$

for  $\zeta_2$  we find

$$\tilde{\zeta}_2 - \tilde{\phi}_2 = -\frac{H_\Lambda^2}{4\pi G(1+w)\bar{\rho}} \tilde{\psi}_2 = -\frac{H_\Lambda^2}{4\pi G(1+w)\bar{\rho}_{\text{in}}} \left[ -\frac{8\pi G}{H_\Lambda^2} c_s^2 k^2 \tilde{\Pi}_{2\text{in}} + \left( \tilde{\phi}_2 - \frac{1}{4} \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_\chi \right) \right] (c_s k |\eta|)^{3(c_s^2 - w)}$$

Now we need to know the value of  $c_s$  and  $\bar{\rho}_{\text{in}}$  at a given mode  $k$ .

It is transparent that

$$w - c_s^2 > 0$$

for the scalar fluctuations to be larger than the tensor ones. This can be achieved by the same gravitons produced during de Sitter phase. For this particle (fluid) radiation, the scalar perturbations will no longer grow [Dvali + 2013, 2017].

**This provides a natural route to end inflation!**

# About Reheating

- At a usual end of inflation, however it came to be, there must be some reheating process which repopulates the observable patch with the standard model matter. In this scenario, the reheating is gravity mediated (since there is no scalar field to couple to the SM).
- Instead, in our scenario, particle production is produced by de Sitter decaying into radiation as postulated in the Mottola, Polyakov, Dvali works...  
This out-of-equilibrium transition to a radiation phase is what provides a replenishment of the patch with SM particles. We can use Kolb & Turner book to be more quantitative. For out of equilibrium decay  $T_{RH} = 10^{-10}(E/\text{GeV})^{3/2} \text{ GeV}$ , where  $E$  is the scale of inflation. Using the value derived from the level of CMB fluctuations ( $10^{14-15} \text{ GeV}$ ) leads to  $10^{11} < T_{RH}/\text{GeV} < 10^{12}$ , which allows for baryogenesis, and it is below the current CMB limits on the energy scale of inflation.
- This will result in a particle density of  $10^{90} < n_\chi < 10^{100}$ , perfectly consistent with the current number of particles in the horizon of 1090 and entropy generated out of equilibrium between 1–3 ( $S_f/S_i = 10^7(E/\text{GeV})^{-1/2}$ ), which guarantees no extra injection of entropy.

# Some final comments (1):

- The power spectrum is nearly scaling invariant;
- We have shown that it is possible to generate nearly scale-invariant scalar adiabatic perturbations in pure de Sitter.
- This is a scenario where the inflaton does not exist, and thus opens up the possibility to provide a picture of inflation that is model independent.

## Some final comments (2):

There are some interesting features in our calculation. First, note that the

- scalar fluctuations are generated outside the horizon from the tensor perturbations. Assuming these fluctuations are adiabatic, as in the standard picture of inflation, the perturbations induced in the potential  $\phi$  persist after the transition from the dS phase to a radiation dominated epoch through the decay of dS.

- Similarly to scalar modes, vector perturbations are also generated from second order tensor fluctuations.

- As expected, the fluctuations deviate from Gaussianity and exhibit a certain intrinsic level of non-Gaussian features, the quantification of which will be addressed in a future publication.

# Some comments (3):

- However, we note the following: for any non-conformally invariant field (with mass  $m \ll H$ ) the quantum generation of particles from the vacuum state (or quantum depletion of the Bose-Einstein condensate, see Dvali et al.) will add extra contributions to the second-order scalar perturbation mode, hence contributing to a gaussianization by the central limit theorem (see also the point of Dvali et al.).
- In our scenario, the magnitude of fluctuations which rely exclusively on dS features and potential physical mechanisms that enhance scalar perturbations.
- These factors suggest a possible explanation for why the fluctuations are at the  $10^{-5}$  level.

# Working progress...



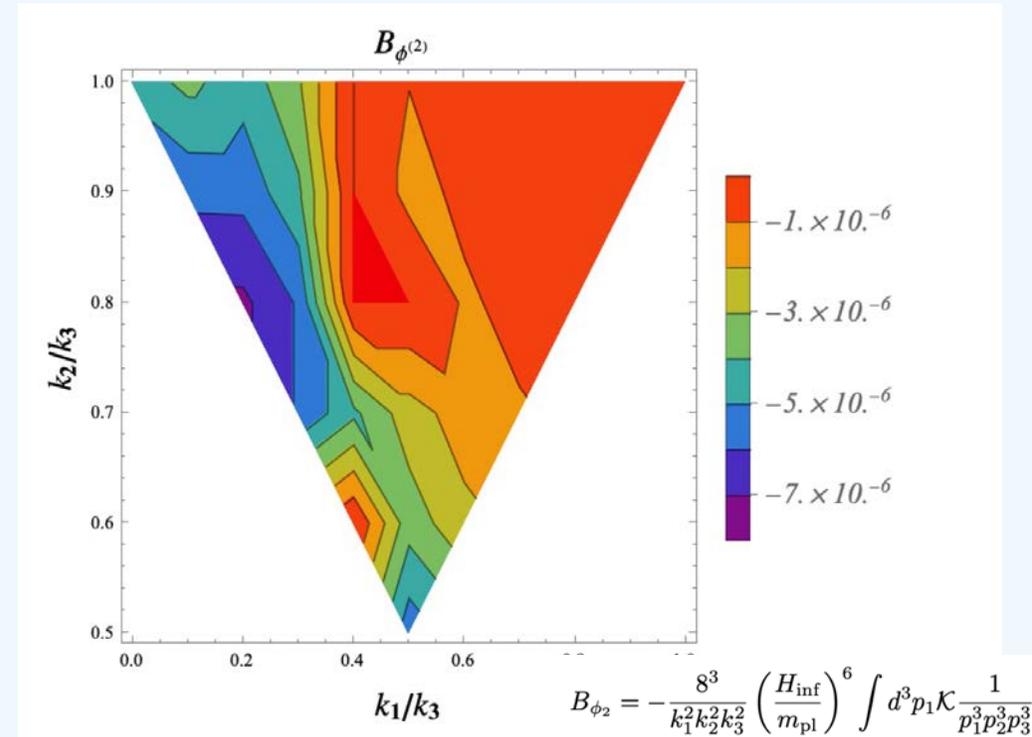
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She is completing the account with the full kernel and is calculating the power spectrum on larger scales equal to the horizon until the end of inflation.

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She is also calculating bispectrum with a view to a more in-depth study of Non-Gaussianity for this type of model.



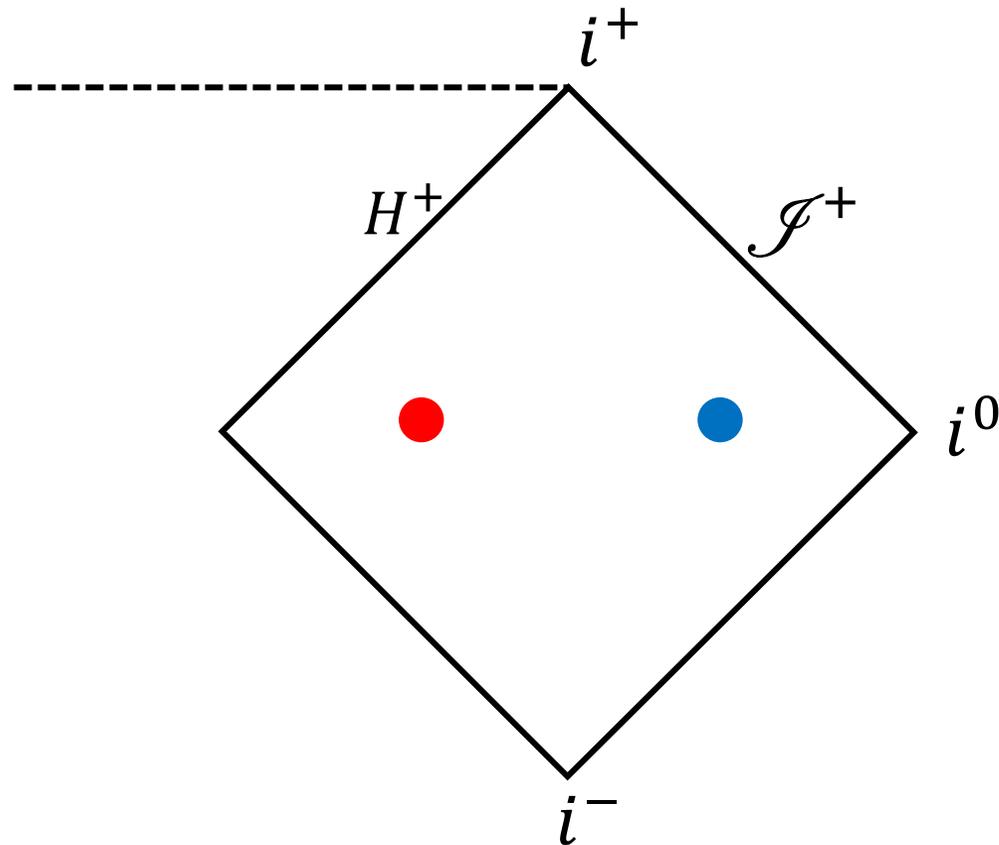
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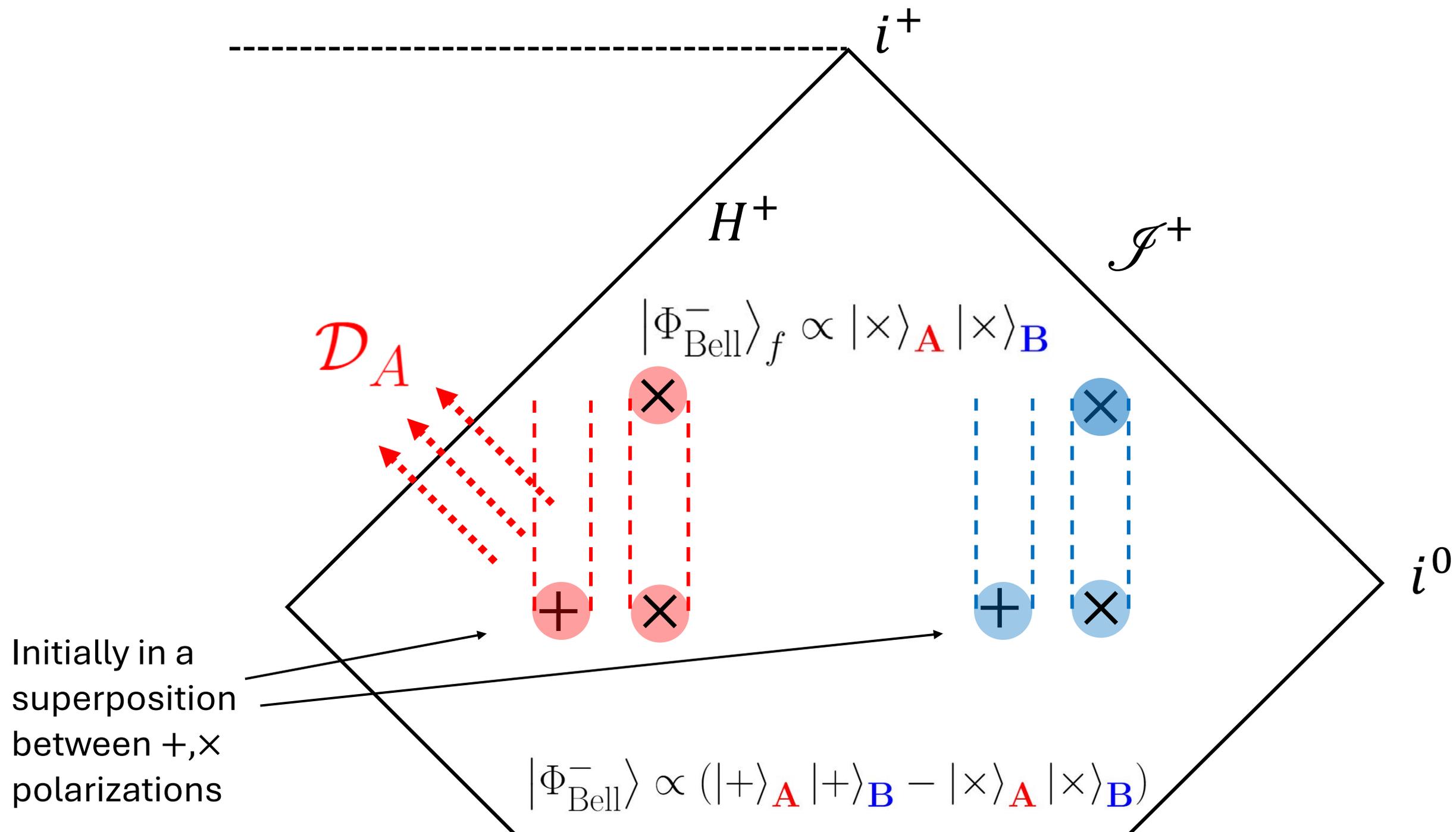
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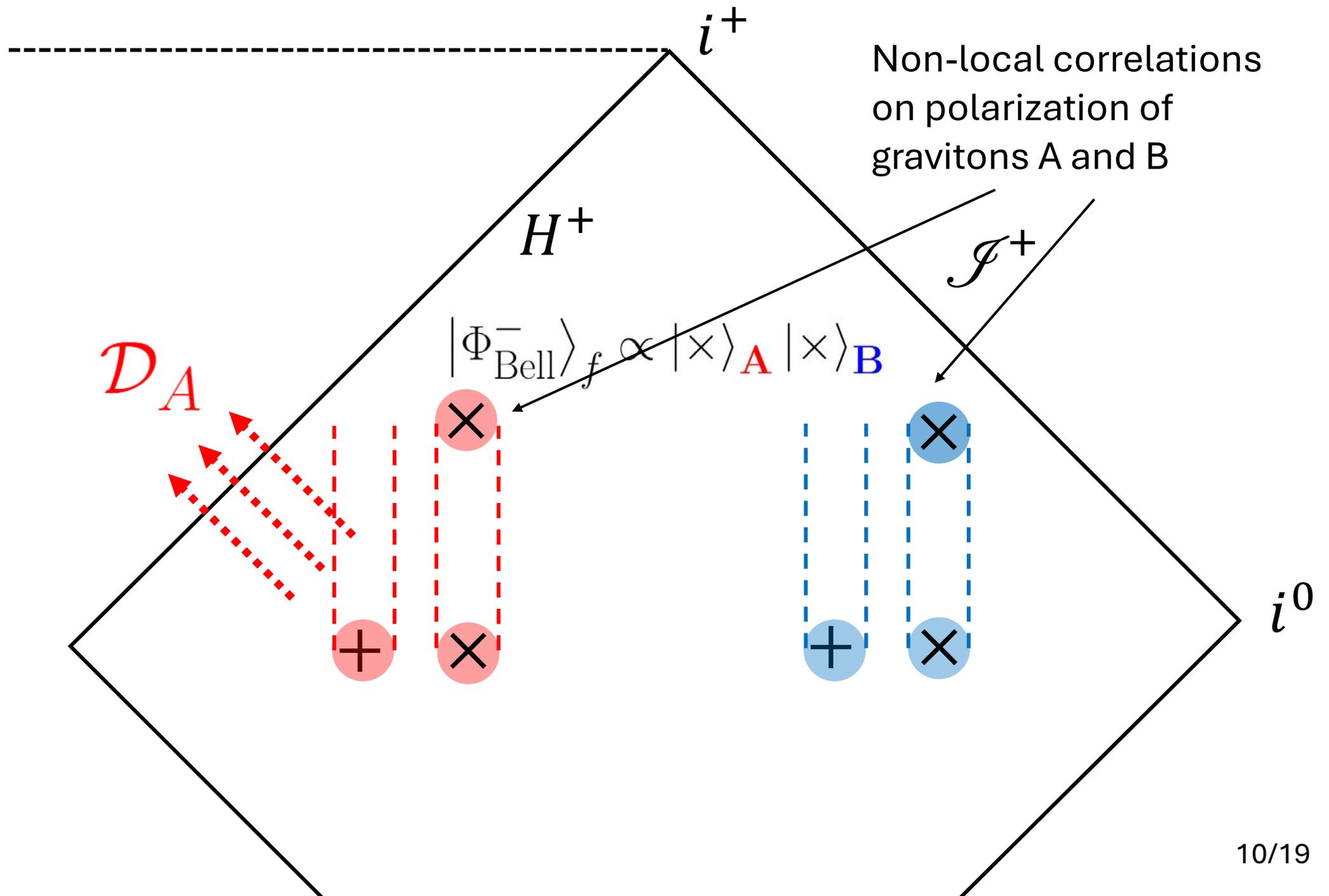
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# Measure/Decoherence by the Cosmological Horizon

- [R. Wald, *Killing Horizons decohere quantum superpositions*]



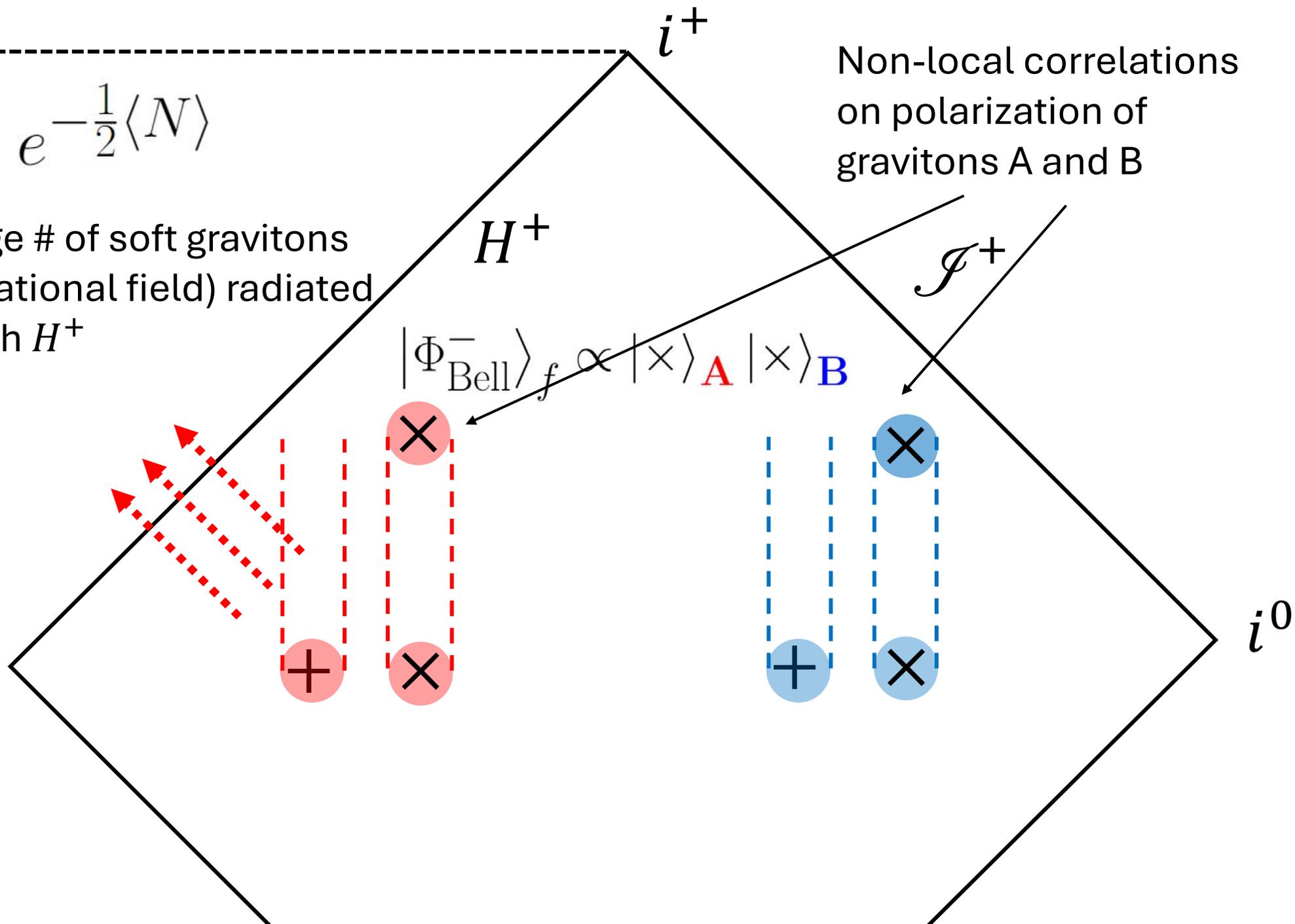




$$\mathcal{D} = 1 - e^{-\frac{1}{2}\langle N \rangle}$$

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Non-local correlations  
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- It is shown that this same result applies to **Killing horizons**

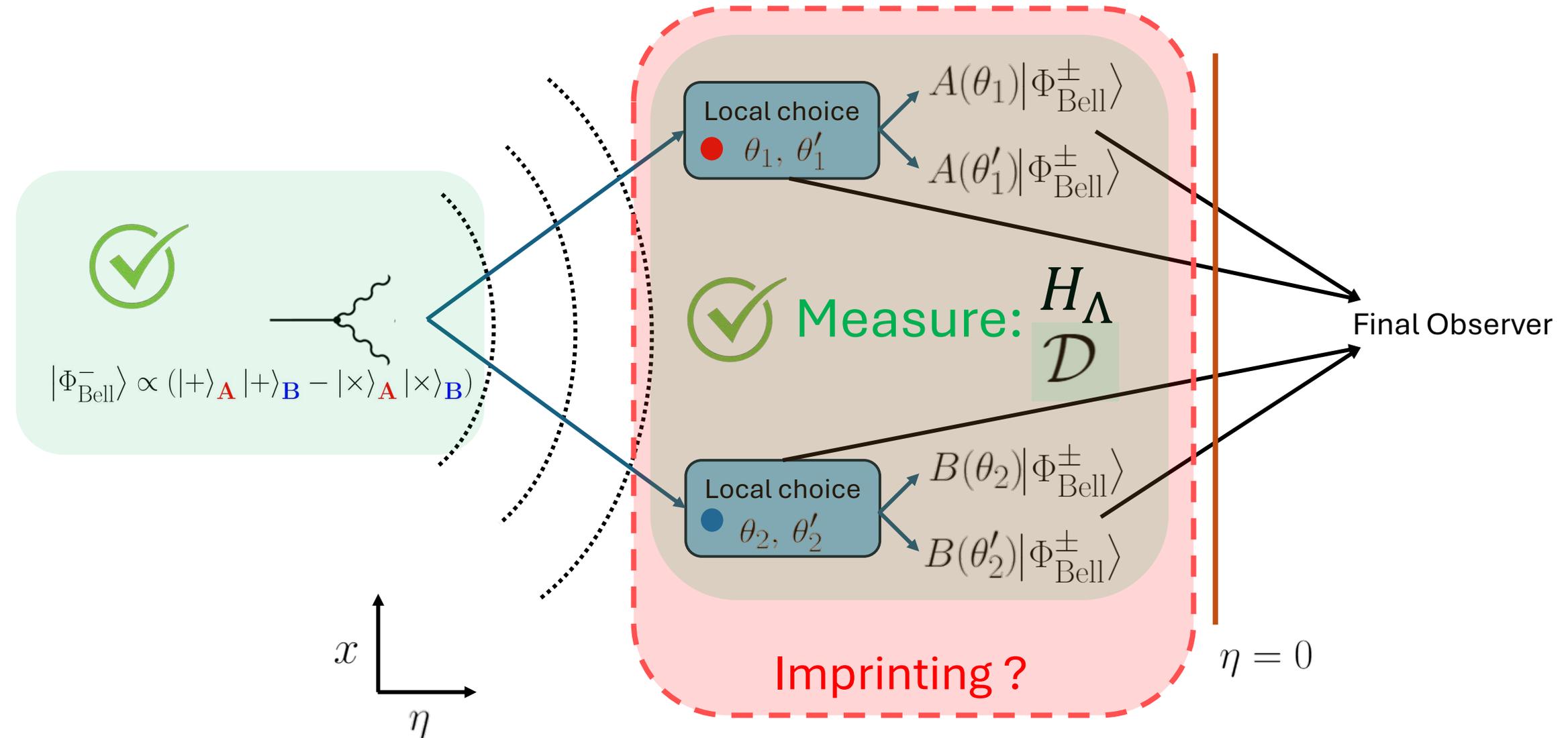
[D. Danielson, G. Satishchandran, R. Wald, arXiv:2301.00026]

$$\langle N \rangle \sim \frac{m^2 d^4}{R_H^5} T$$

- The cosmological horizon of de Sitter is a Killing horizon – we take the **cosmological horizon to perform the measure and induce a collapse**

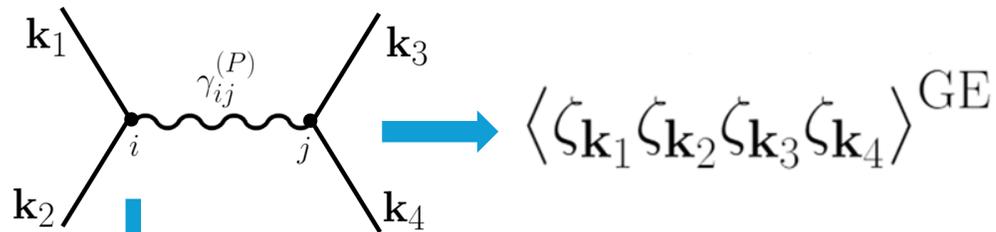
$$|\Phi_{\text{Bell}}^-\rangle \propto (|+\rangle_{\mathbf{A}} |+\rangle_{\mathbf{B}} - |\times\rangle_{\mathbf{A}} |\times\rangle_{\mathbf{B}}) \xrightarrow[\mathcal{D}]{H_\Lambda} |\Phi_{\text{Bell}}^-\rangle_f \propto |\times\rangle_{\mathbf{A}} |\times\rangle_{\mathbf{B}}$$

# Elements of a Bell experiment



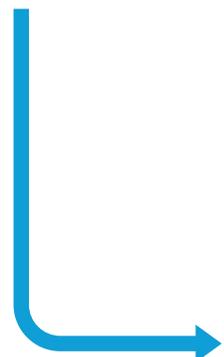
# Late time observables

Results get classically transmitted to after inflation through horizon-exit and later deceleration of spacetime, which makes fluctuations re-enter. Then:



$$\langle \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_1} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_2} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_3} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_4} \rangle^{\text{GE}}$$

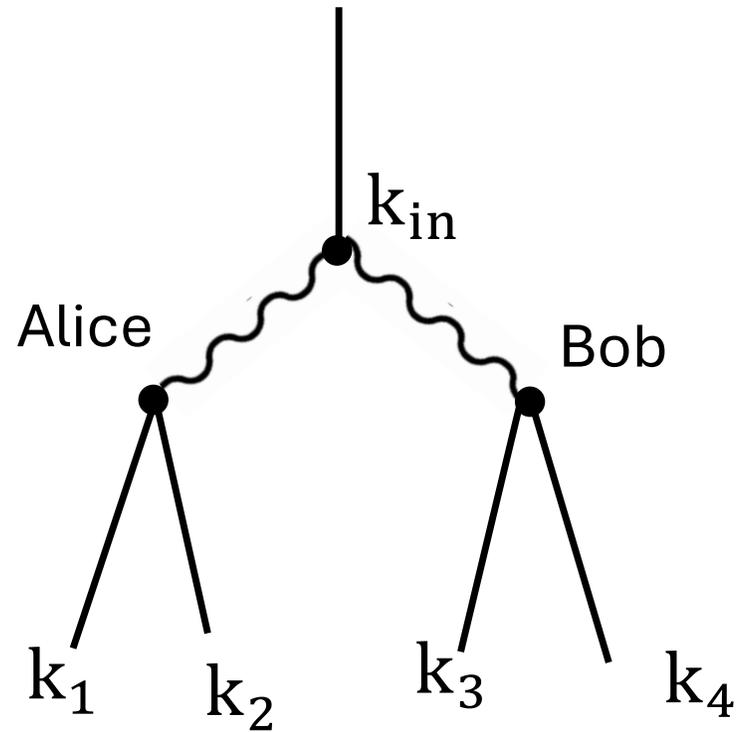
can give a measurable signal in the **halo bias** (in the non-Gaussian part of the 2- and 3-point functions of dark matter halos).



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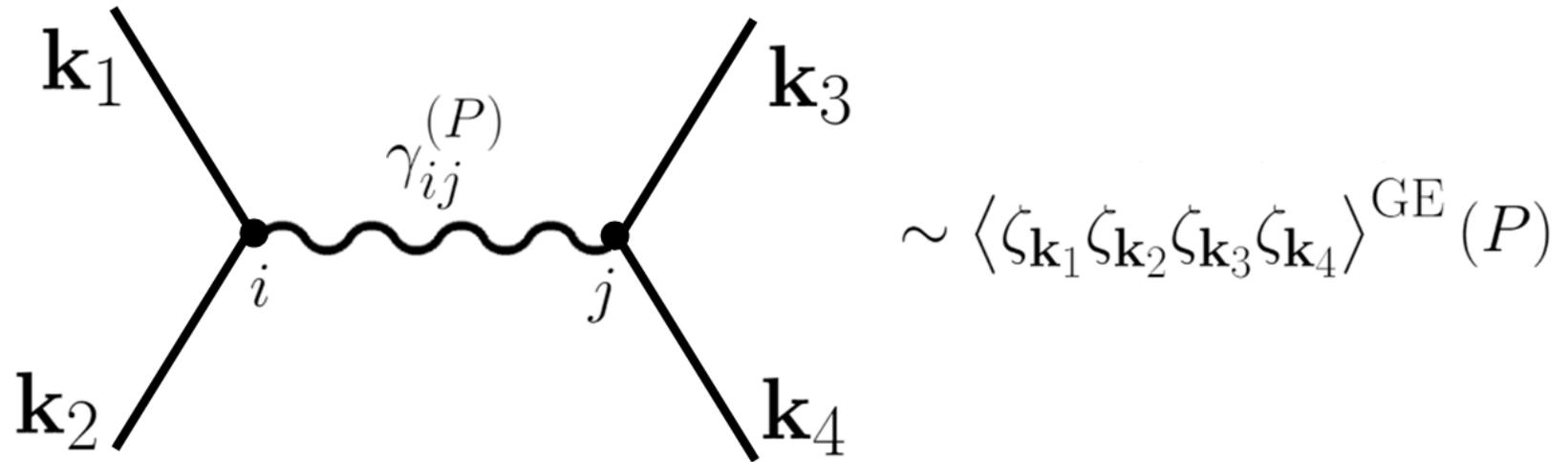
Additional derivatives may imprint on **intrinsic alignment** between subhalos in the same patch (i.e. a tidal effect between these two subhalos linked to the polarization of the graviton)

# Back del Backup della prima parte



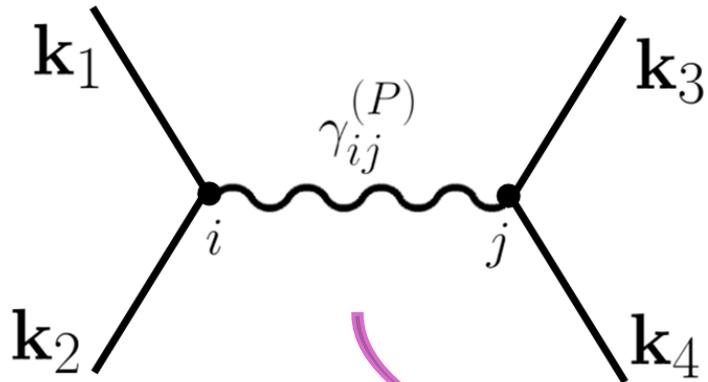
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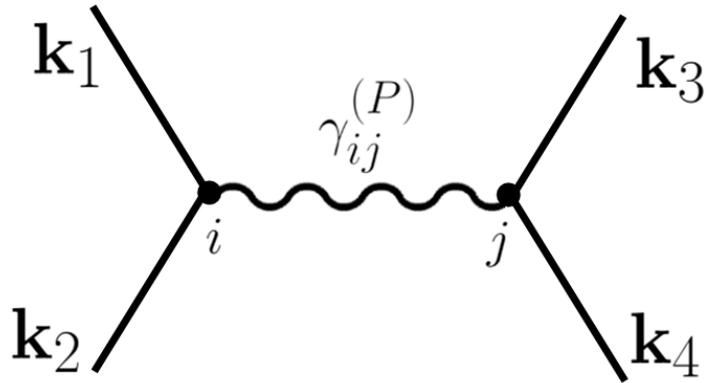
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This interaction is **sensitive** to the **polarization** of the **graviton(s)**.  
The **collapse** reduces the **sum** to **1 term** only.

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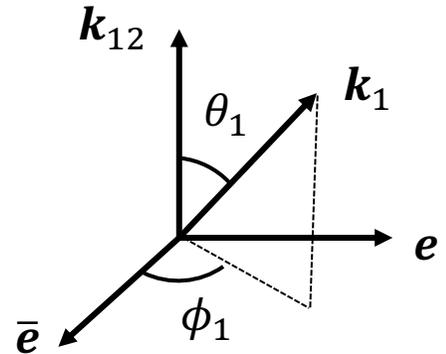
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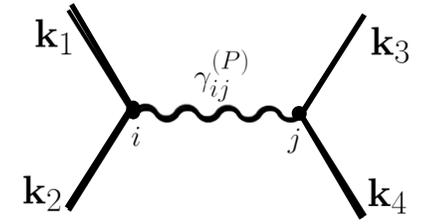
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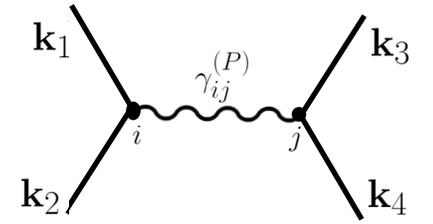
$$= \left\langle \epsilon_{ij}^P(\phi_1^A)k_1^i k_2^j \epsilon_{lm}^P(\phi_3^B)k_3^l k_4^m \right\rangle + \left\langle \epsilon_{ij}^P(\phi_1^{A'})k_1^{i'} k_2^{j'} \epsilon_{lm}^P(\phi_3^B)k_3^l k_4^m \right\rangle +$$

$$+ \left\langle \epsilon_{ij}^P(\phi_1^A)k_1^i k_2^j \epsilon_{lm}^P(\phi_3^{B'})k_3^{l'} k_4^{m'} \right\rangle - \left\langle \epsilon_{ij}^P(\phi_1^{A'})k_1^{i'} k_2^{j'} \epsilon_{lm}^P(\phi_3^{B'})k_3^{l'} k_4^{m'} \right\rangle$$

since:

$$A(\theta) = \epsilon_{ij}^{P_A}(\phi_1^A)k_1^i k_2^j \quad ; \quad B(\phi) = \epsilon_{lm}^{P_B}(\phi_3^B)k_3^l k_4^m \quad , \quad \text{and} \quad P_A = P_B = P_{A'} = P_{B'} \equiv P$$

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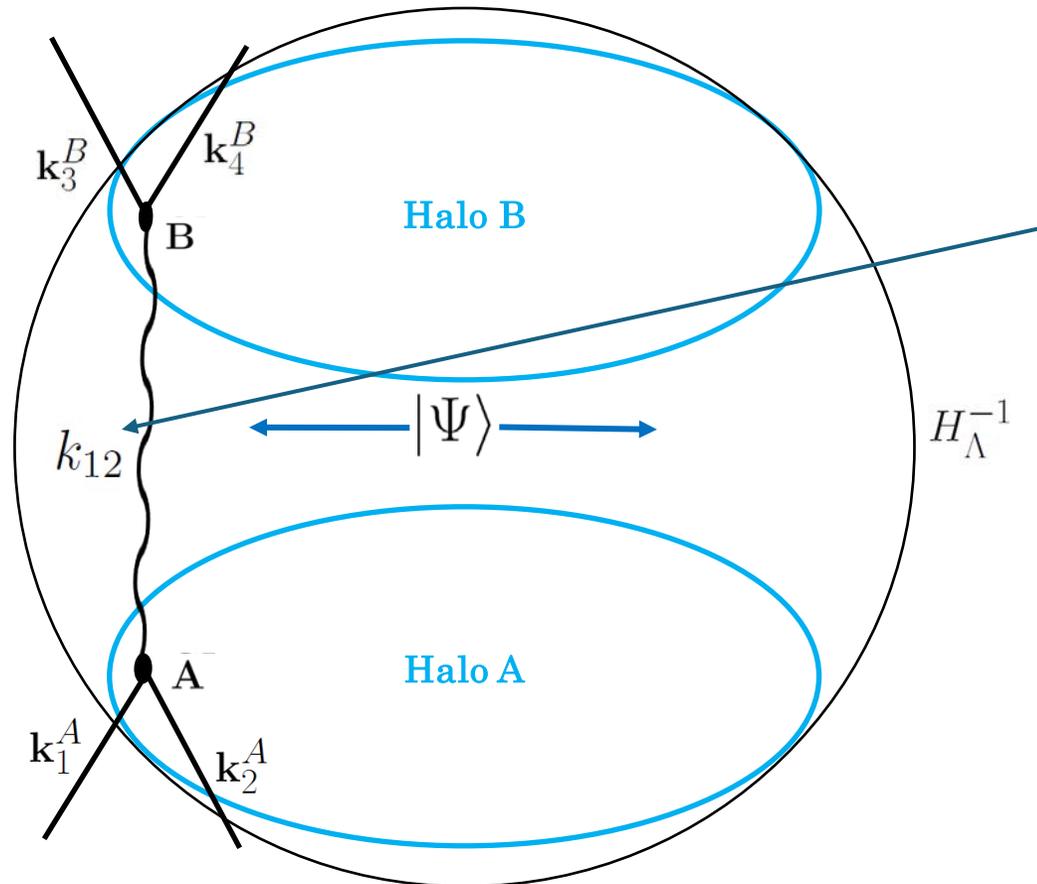
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Interpretation?

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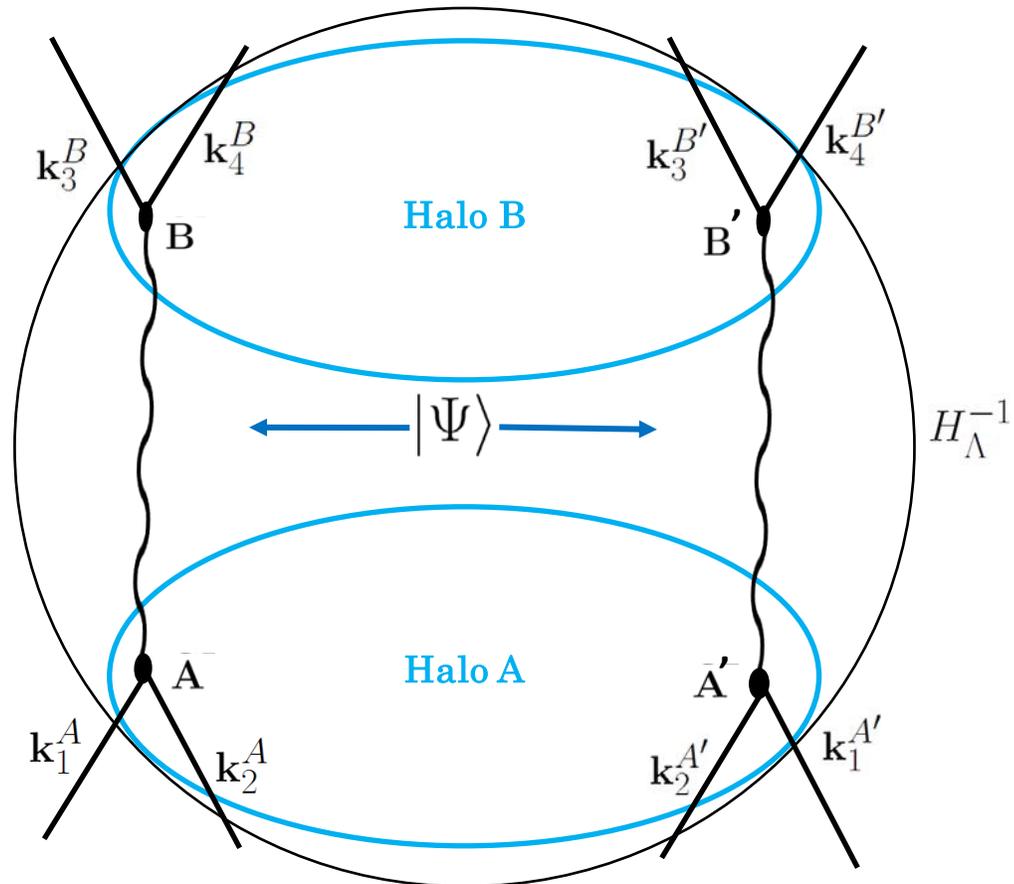


$$k_{12} \ll |\mathbf{k}_1| \approx |\mathbf{k}_2|$$

The momentum of the exchanged graviton will set the distance (inverse) between the 2 halos A and B

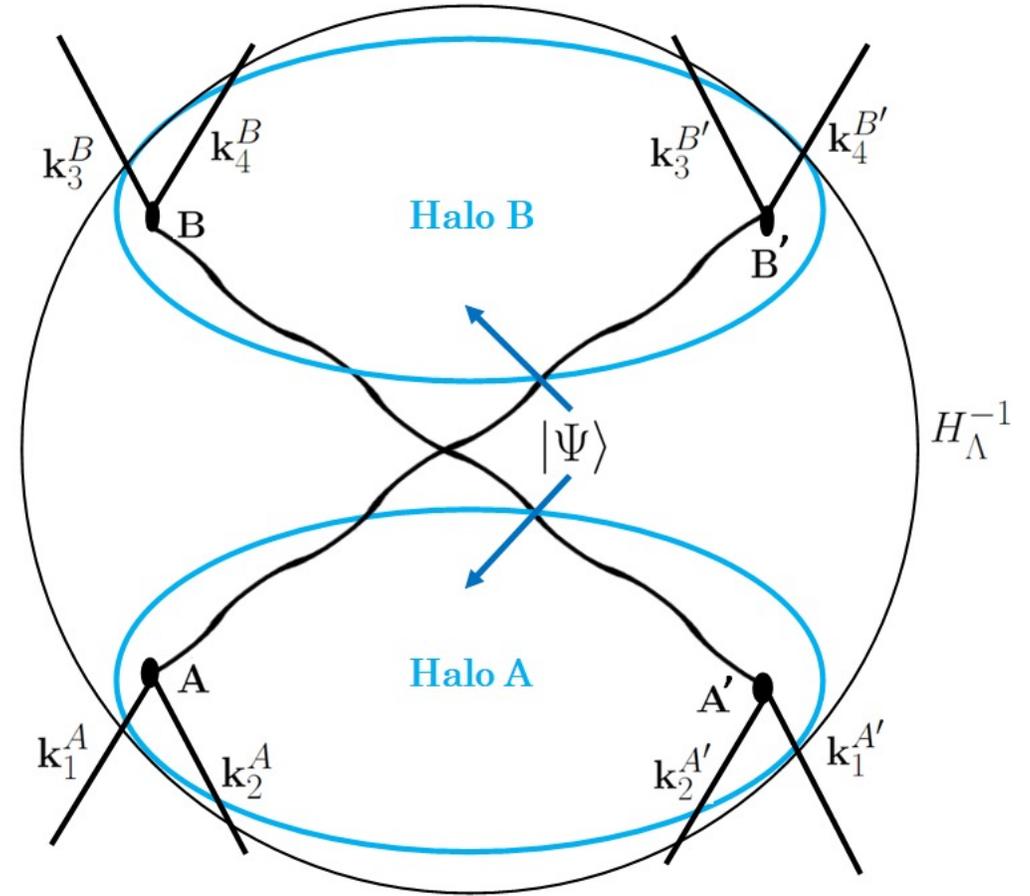
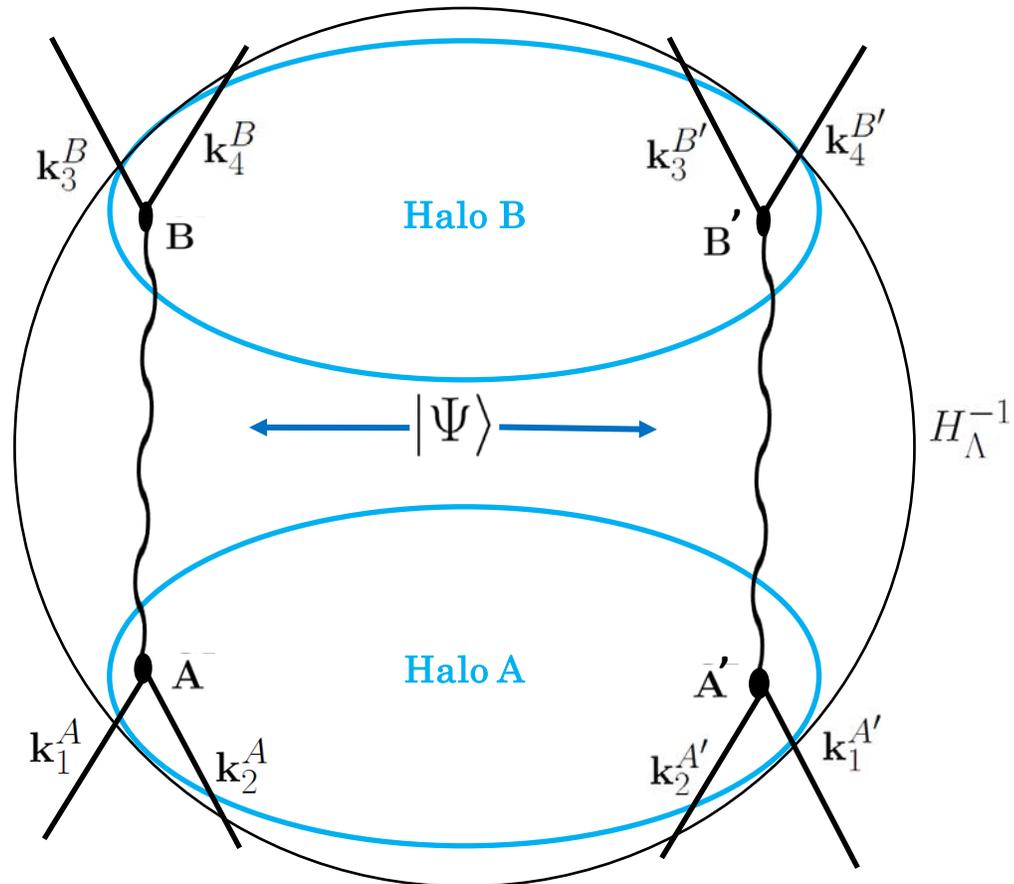
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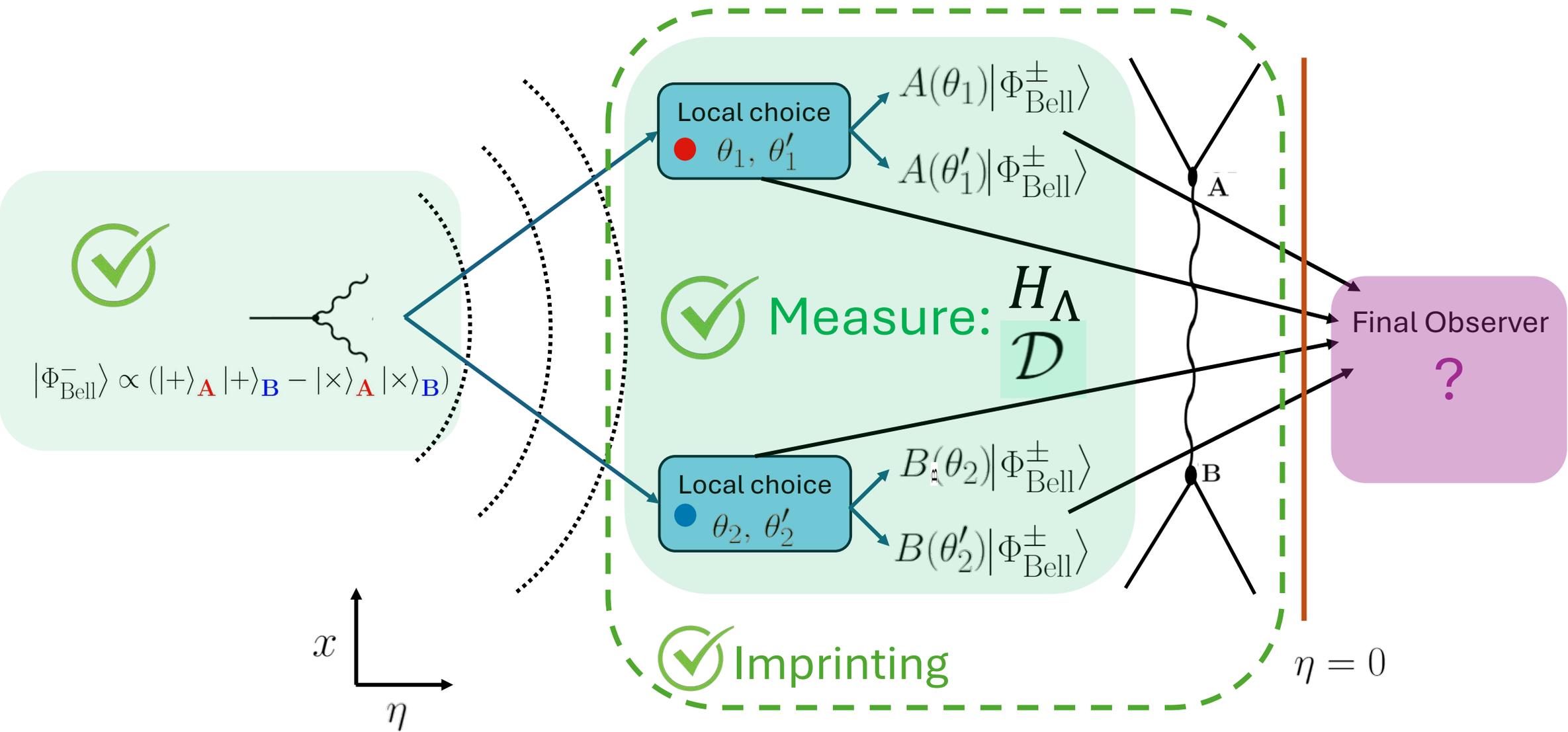


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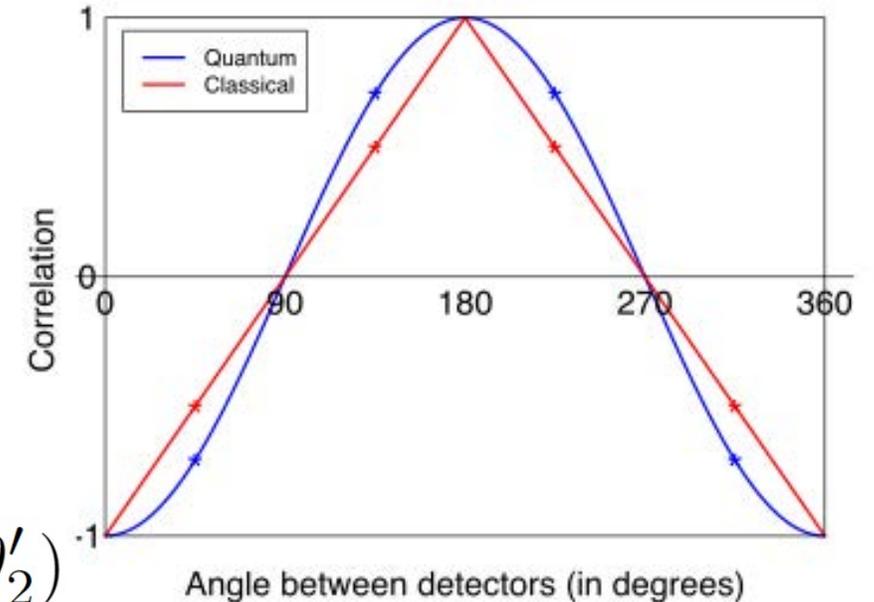
# Elements of a Bell experiment



# Bell Experiment and Inequalities

$$C(\theta_1, \theta_2) = \langle A(\theta_1) B(\theta_2) \rangle$$

$$S = C(\theta_1, \theta_2) + C(\theta'_1, \theta_2) + C(\theta_1, \theta'_2) - C(\theta'_1, \theta'_2)$$



$$S^{\text{QM}} \leq 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$S^{\text{local hidden variables}} \leq 2$$

# Hamiltonian for creation of entangled state

$$H_{\text{int}}(\eta) = -\frac{M_p^3 \epsilon_1 a^2}{8} \int d^3 \mathbf{x} a \epsilon_1 \zeta(\eta, \mathbf{x}) \otimes \partial_l \gamma_{ij}(\eta, \mathbf{x}) \partial_l \gamma_{ij}(\eta, \mathbf{x})$$

$$\begin{aligned} H_T^{(3)}(\mathbf{k} = -\mathbf{q}) &\sim \sum_{P, P' = +, \times} \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{k} d^3 \mathbf{q}}{(2\pi)^3} (\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{q}) e^{i(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q}) \cdot \mathbf{x}} \epsilon_{ij}^P(\mathbf{k}) \epsilon_{ij}^{P'}(\mathbf{q}) \left\{ \text{combination of } b, b^\dagger \right\} \delta(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q}) \\ &\sim \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} k^2 e^{2i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}} \cdot \left\{ \left[ \hat{b}_{\mathbf{k}}^+ \hat{b}_{-\mathbf{k}}^+ - \hat{b}_{\mathbf{k}}^\times \hat{b}_{-\mathbf{k}}^\times \right] (u_k)^2 + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left[ \left( \hat{b}_{\mathbf{k}}^+ \right)^\dagger \hat{b}_{\mathbf{k}}^+ + \left( \hat{b}_{\mathbf{k}}^\times \right)^\dagger \hat{b}_{\mathbf{k}}^\times + \left( \hat{b}_{-\mathbf{k}}^+ \right)^\dagger \hat{b}_{-\mathbf{k}}^+ + \left( \hat{b}_{-\mathbf{k}}^\times \right)^\dagger \hat{b}_{-\mathbf{k}}^\times \right] |u_k|^2 + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left[ \left( \hat{b}_{-\mathbf{k}}^+ \right)^\dagger \left( \hat{b}_{\mathbf{k}}^+ \right)^\dagger - \left( \hat{b}_{-\mathbf{k}}^\times \right)^\dagger \left( \hat{b}_{\mathbf{k}}^\times \right)^\dagger \right] (u_k^*)^2 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$H_{\text{int}}^{(3)} \supset \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{x} d^3 \mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \frac{e^{2i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}}}{(2\pi)^3} k^2 \hat{a}_0 \otimes \left[ \left( \hat{b}_{-\mathbf{k}}^+ \right)^\dagger \left( \hat{b}_{\mathbf{k}}^+ \right)^\dagger - \left( \hat{b}_{-\mathbf{k}}^\times \right)^\dagger \left( \hat{b}_{\mathbf{k}}^\times \right)^\dagger \right] (u_k^*)^2$$

# Creation of entangled state – Schrödinger's<sup>0</sup> Equation

- Parametric approximation:  $\hat{a}_{\mathbf{p}} \approx \alpha e^{-i\omega_P \Delta t}$

- Interaction picture:  $H_S = H_{0,S} + H_{1,S}$ 

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} H_{0,I} = H_{0,S} = \alpha e^{-i\omega_P} \sum_{P=+,\times} \left[ (\hat{b}_{\mathbf{k}}^P)^\dagger \hat{b}_{\mathbf{k}}^P + (\hat{b}_{-\mathbf{k}}^P)^\dagger \hat{b}_{-\mathbf{k}}^P \right] \frac{1}{k} , \\ H_{1,I} = e^{i\omega\Delta t} \cdot H_{1,S} \cdot e^{-i\omega\Delta t} \\ = \alpha \left[ (\hat{b}_{-\mathbf{k}}^+)^\dagger (\hat{b}_{\mathbf{k}}^+)^\dagger - (\hat{b}_{-\mathbf{k}}^\times)^\dagger (\hat{b}_{\mathbf{k}}^\times)^\dagger \right] e^{-i(\omega_P - 2\omega_k)\Delta t} \left[ \frac{1}{k} e^{-2ik\eta} \right] \end{array} \right.$$
- Expanding the evolution operator:

$$|\Psi(t)\rangle = |\alpha\rangle \otimes \left[ \left( 1 - \frac{\alpha^2 \Delta t^2}{k^2 \hbar^2} |0\rangle_{1,+} |0\rangle_{1,\times} \otimes |0\rangle_{2,+} |0\rangle_{2,\times} \right) - \frac{i\alpha \Delta t}{k \hbar} \left( |1\rangle_{+,1} |0\rangle_{\times,1} \otimes |1\rangle_{+,2} |0\rangle_{\times,2} - |0\rangle_{+,1} |1\rangle_{\times,1} \otimes |0\rangle_{+,2} |1\rangle_{\times,2} \right) \right]$$

$$= |\alpha\rangle \otimes \left[ \left( 1 - \frac{\alpha^2 \Delta t^2}{k^2 \hbar^2} |0\rangle^\gamma \right) - \frac{i\alpha \Delta t}{k \hbar} (|+\rangle_1 |+\rangle_2 - |\times\rangle_1 |\times\rangle_2) \right]$$

# Decoherence by Killing horizon

$$\mathcal{D} = 1 - e^{-\frac{1}{2}\langle N \rangle} \quad \langle N \rangle \equiv \text{Average \# of soft gravitons (gravitational field) radiated through } H^+$$

- For Killing horizons:  $\langle N \rangle \sim \frac{m^2 d^4}{R_H^5} T$

- Time of decoherence compared to time scale of GE:

$$T_D \sim \frac{R_H^5}{G k m^2 d^4} = \frac{R_H^5 M_{\text{Pl}}^2}{d^4 m^2}$$
$$T_D \sim t_{\text{GE}} \sim \frac{1}{M_{\text{Pl}}}$$
$$k_D \sim \left( \frac{m^2}{M_{\text{Pl}} R_H^5} \right)^{1/4} \sim \left( \frac{m^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}} \right)^{1/4} H_\Lambda^{5/4}$$

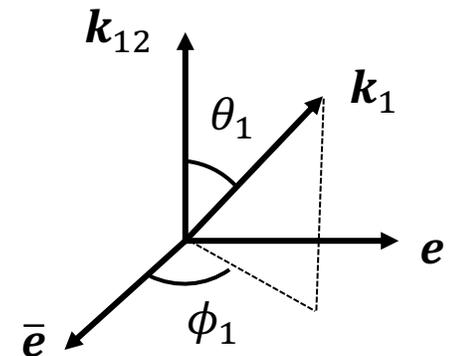
# More on GE and Observable definition

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$$\epsilon_{ij}^P(\mathbf{k}_{ab}) k_a^i k_b^j = \mathcal{N} \cos(2\phi_a - \delta_P) \quad ; \quad \text{where } \delta_P = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } P = + \\ \frac{\pi}{2} & \text{if } P = \times \end{cases}$$

$$k_{1,3} \sin \theta_{1,3} = k_{2,4} \sin \theta_{2,4}$$

$$\phi_{2,4} = \phi_{1,3} + \pi$$



# More on Bell Inequality Violation

$$|\Phi_{\text{Bell}}^-\rangle \propto (|+\rangle_{\mathbf{A}} |+\rangle_{\mathbf{B}} - |\times\rangle_{\mathbf{A}} |\times\rangle_{\mathbf{B}})$$

$$\begin{aligned} |+\rangle_1 &= \cos(2\theta) |\theta\rangle_1 - \sin(2\theta) |\theta^\perp\rangle_1 \\ |\times\rangle_1 &= \sin(2\theta) |\theta\rangle_1 + \cos(2\theta) |\theta^\perp\rangle_1 \\ |+\rangle_2 &= \cos(2\phi) |\phi\rangle_2 - \sin(2\phi) |\phi^\perp\rangle_2 \\ |\times\rangle_2 &= \sin(2\phi) |\phi\rangle_2 + \cos(2\phi) |\phi^\perp\rangle_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\theta^\perp = \theta + \pi/4$$

$$\tilde{A}(\theta) = \frac{A(\phi_1^A)}{\mathcal{N}} = \cos(4\theta - \delta_P)$$

$$\phi_1^A = 2\theta \text{ and } \phi_3^B = 2\phi$$

$$+ \begin{aligned} &A(\theta) = +1 \text{ for state } |\theta\rangle \\ &A(\theta) = -1 \text{ for state } |\theta^\perp\rangle \\ &(\text{idem for } B(\phi) = \pm 1), \end{aligned} \Rightarrow C(\theta, \phi) = \cos[4(\theta + \phi)]$$

$$\phi_1^A = \phi_3^B = 0 \text{ and } \phi_1^{A'} = \phi_3^{B'} = \pi/16,$$

$$S^{\text{QM}} > 2 = \max(S^{\text{local hidden variables}})$$

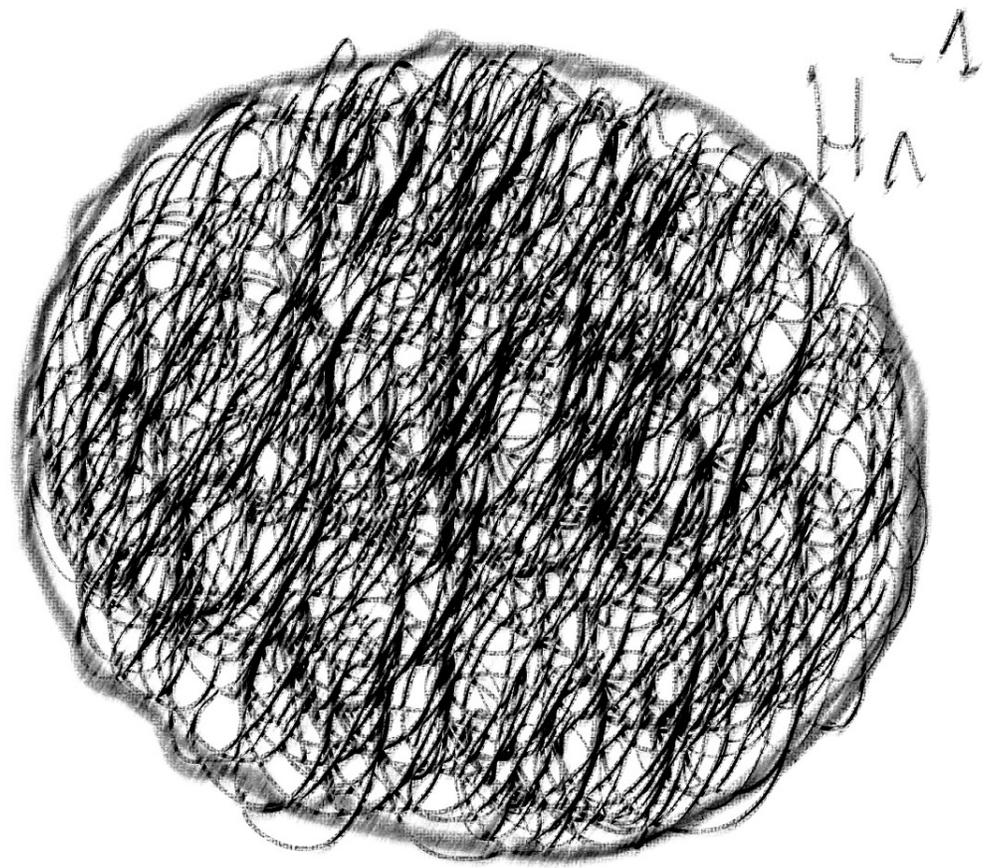
# More specifications of $S^{QM}$

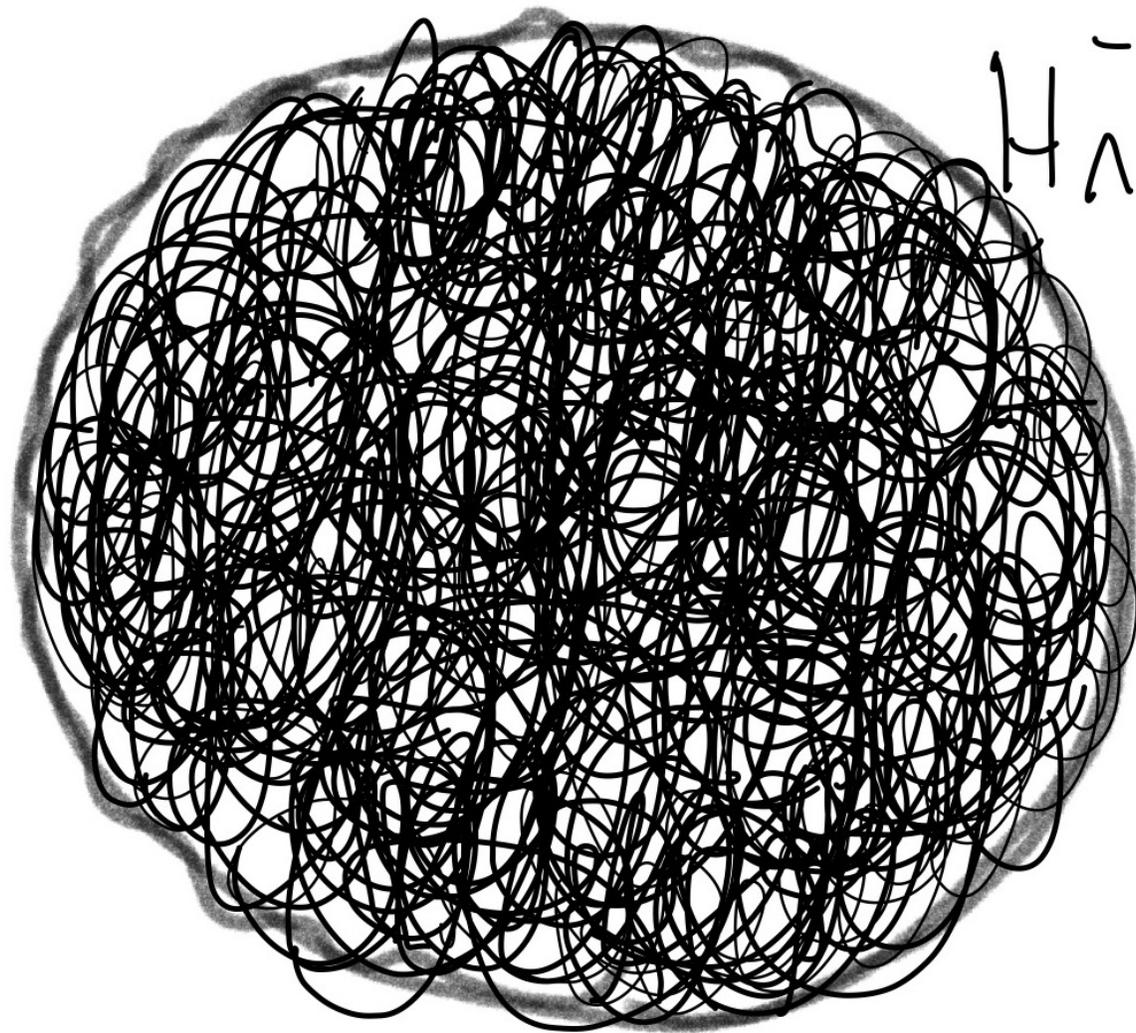
$$\lim_{\substack{k_{12} \rightarrow 0 \\ k_{34} \rightarrow 0}} \langle \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_1} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_2} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_3} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_4} \rangle^{\text{GE}} = \langle \langle \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_1} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_2} \rangle \langle \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_3} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_4} \rangle \rangle^{\text{GE}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S^{\text{QM}} &\propto \langle \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_1}^A \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_2}^A \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_3}^B \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_4}^B \rangle^{\text{GE}} + \langle \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_1}^{A'} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_2}^{A'} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_3}^B \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_4}^B \rangle^{\text{GE}} + \langle \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_1}^A \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_2}^A \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_3}^{B'} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_4}^{B'} \rangle^{\text{GE}} - \langle \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_1}^{A'} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_2}^{A'} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_3}^{B'} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_4}^{B'} \rangle^{\text{GE}} \\ &= \langle \langle \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_1} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_2} \rangle^A \langle \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_3} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_4} \rangle^B \rangle^{\text{GE}} + \langle \langle \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_1} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_2} \rangle^{A'} \langle \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_3} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_4} \rangle^B \rangle^{\text{GE}} + \\ &\quad + \langle \langle \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_1} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_2} \rangle^A \langle \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_3} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_4} \rangle^{B'} \rangle^{\text{GE}} - \langle \langle \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_1} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_2} \rangle^{A'} \langle \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_3} \zeta_{\mathbf{k}_4} \rangle^{B'} \rangle^{\text{GE}} \end{aligned}$$

# BACKUPS

Second PART





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