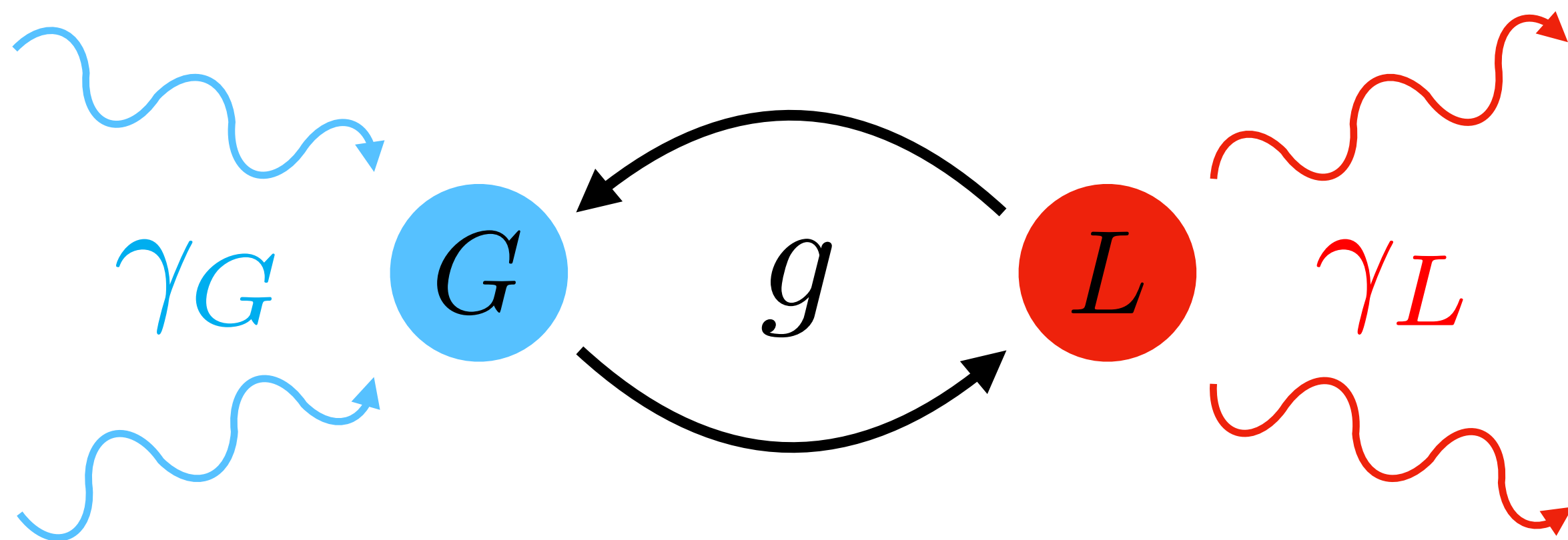


# Exploring quantumness in a gain-loss system

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# Teaser

- Increasing interest in **non-Hermitian** Quantum Mechanics

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... **all classical**

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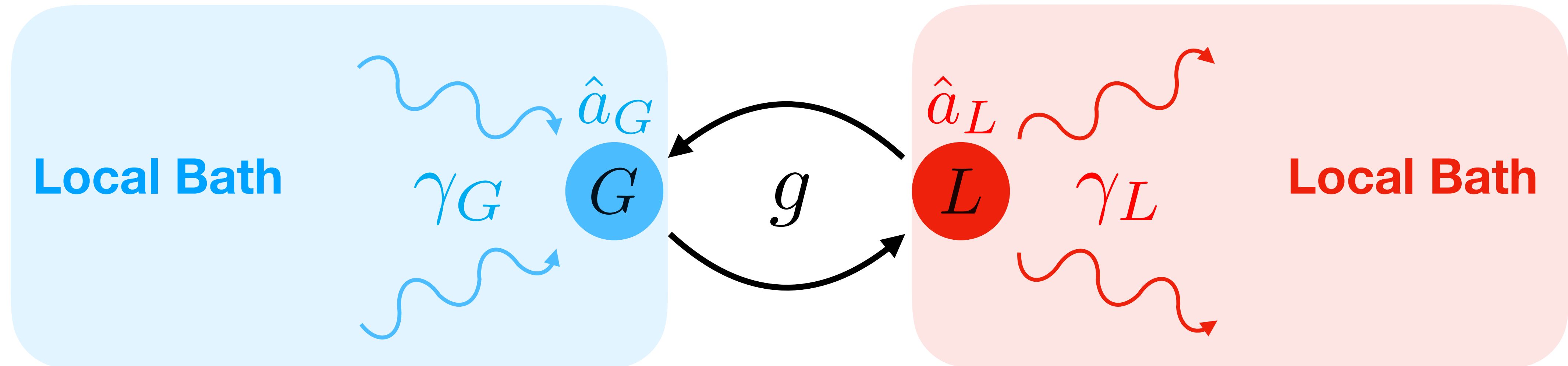
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# Gain-loss system

$$H = g (\hat{a}_L^\dagger \hat{a}_G + \hat{a}_L \hat{a}_G^\dagger).$$



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$$\dot{\rho} = -i[H, \rho] + 2\gamma_L \mathcal{D}[\hat{a}_L]\rho + 2\gamma_G \mathcal{D}[\hat{a}_G^\dagger]\rho$$

# Mean-field dynamics

$$i \frac{d}{dt} \begin{pmatrix} \langle \hat{a}_L \rangle \\ \langle \hat{a}_G \rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -i\gamma_L & g \\ g & i\gamma_G \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \langle \hat{a}_L \rangle \\ \langle \hat{a}_G \rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

- Typical example of **non-Hermitian** “Hamiltonian”
- Generally two **complex** eigenvalues, **non**-orthogonal eigenstates
- Parity Time (PT) symmetry:

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$$\begin{array}{c} \text{PARITY} \\ \boxed{G \leftrightarrow L} \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \text{TIME REVERSAL} \\ \boxed{t \rightarrow -t} \end{array} \Rightarrow \boxed{\gamma_G = \gamma_L \equiv \gamma}$$

# Mean-field dynamics - PT symmetry

## EXACT PHASE

$$\gamma < g$$

- **Real** eigenvalues
- **Non-orthogonal** eigenvectors

## EXCEPTIONAL POINT

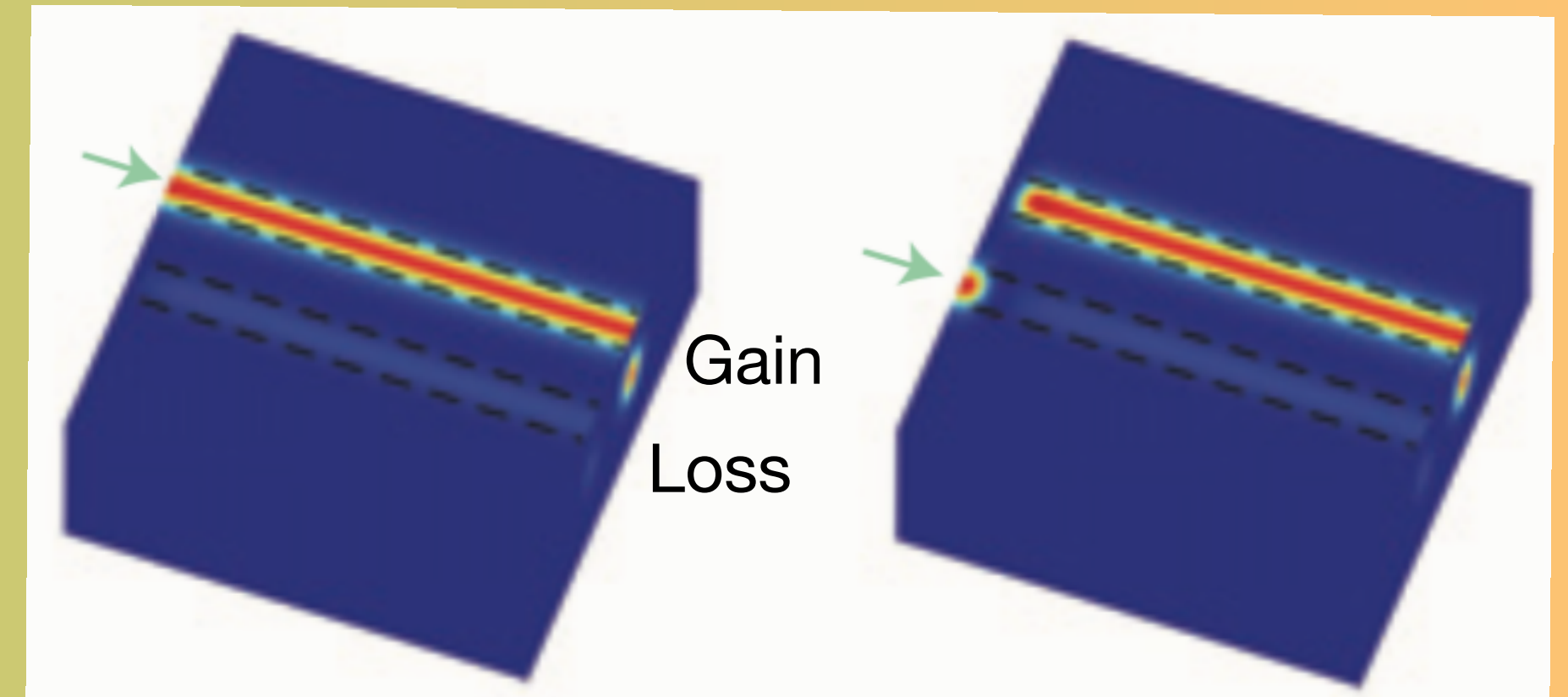
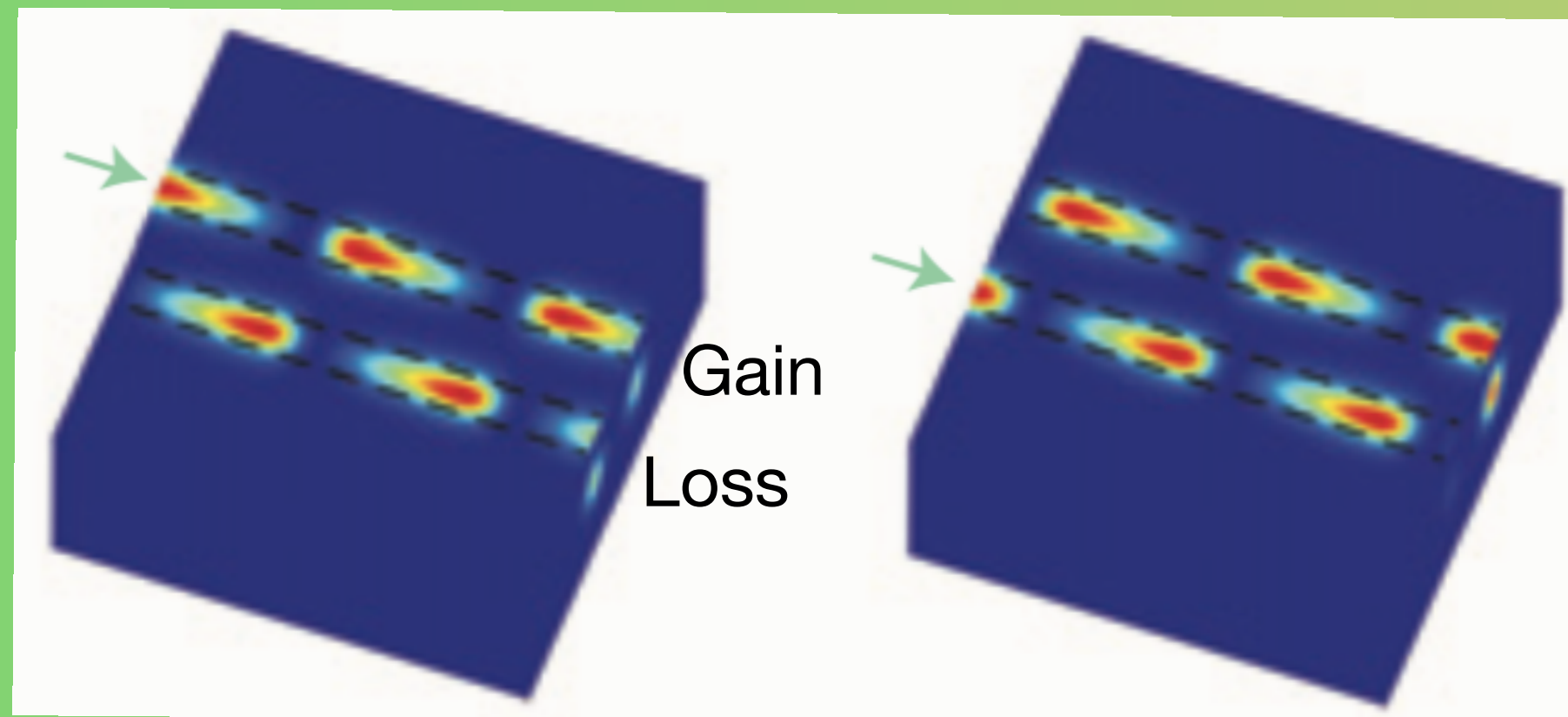
$$\gamma = g$$

- **Coalescing** eigenvalues
- **Parallel** eigenvectors

## BROKEN PHASE

$$\gamma > g$$

- **Imaginary** eigenvalues
- **Non-orthogonal** eigenvectors



# Second-moment dynamics

- $\hat{E} \propto (\hat{a} + \hat{a}^\dagger) \longrightarrow$  **quantum uncertainties**  $\propto \langle \hat{a}_L^\dagger \hat{a}_L \rangle, \langle \hat{a}_G^\dagger \hat{a}_G \rangle, \langle \hat{a}_L^\dagger \hat{a}_G \rangle, \dots$

- Encoded in the 4 x 4 **covariance matrix**:

$$\sigma_{ij} = \langle \hat{X}_i \hat{X}_j + \hat{X}_j \hat{X}_i \rangle$$

$$\hat{X} = (\hat{x}_L, \hat{p}_L, \hat{x}_G, \hat{p}_G)$$

(quadratures)

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# Second-moment dynamics

uncertainties on **local** fields

$$\langle \hat{a}_L^\dagger \hat{a}_L \rangle, \langle \hat{a}_G^\dagger \hat{a}_G \rangle, \dots$$

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} L & C \\ C^T & G \end{pmatrix}$$

**cross** correlations

$$\langle \hat{a}_L^\dagger \hat{a}_G \rangle, \dots$$

- Time evolution:

$$\dot{\sigma} = Y\sigma + \sigma Y^T + 4D$$

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- Focus on **Gaussian** states:

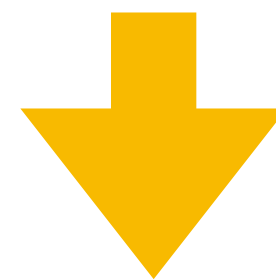
$$\rho \xleftrightarrow{1-1} \sigma \quad (\text{up to local displacement})$$

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# Classical and quantum correlations

## Pure states

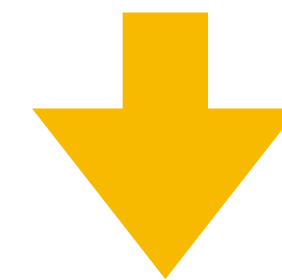
Quantum Correlations  
=  
Entanglement



Classical  
=  
Separable

## Mixed states

Quantum Correlations  
 $\supset$   
Entanglement



Quantum Correlations in  
“classical-looking” states:  
**Quantum Discord**



# Classical and quantum correlations

## Classical

**Mutual  
Information**

**=**

**Classical  
Correlations**

$$S(G) + S(L) - S(GL)$$

**=**

$$S(G) - S(G|L) = S(L) - S(L|G)$$

# Classical and quantum correlations

## Quantum

**Mutual  
Information**

$$S(\rho_G) + S(\rho_L) - S(\rho_{GL})$$

M. A. Nielsen and I. L. Chuang, Quantum Computation and Quantum Information: 10th Anniversary Edition, anniversary edizione ed. (Cambridge University Press, Cambridge ; New York, 2010).

**Classical  
Correlations**

**more difficult to upgrade...**

# Classical and quantum correlations

- Quantum version of Classical Correlations

$$C_{GL} = S(\rho_L) - \min_{\hat{G}_k} \sum_k p_k S(\rho_{L|k})$$

local POVM measurements on G

probability of outcome k

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- Quantum Discord

$$D_{GL} = \mathcal{I} - C_{GL}$$

$\mathcal{I}$  Total Correlation

$C_{GL}$  Classical Correlations

**Pure Quantum Correlations!**

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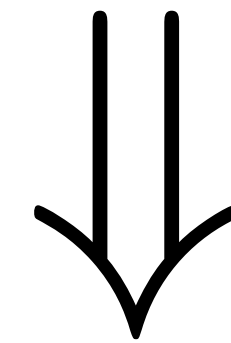
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# Classical and quantum correlations

## Quantum Discord

- Asymmetric
- Discord  $\supset$  Entanglement
- Gaussian Discord
- Gaussian States

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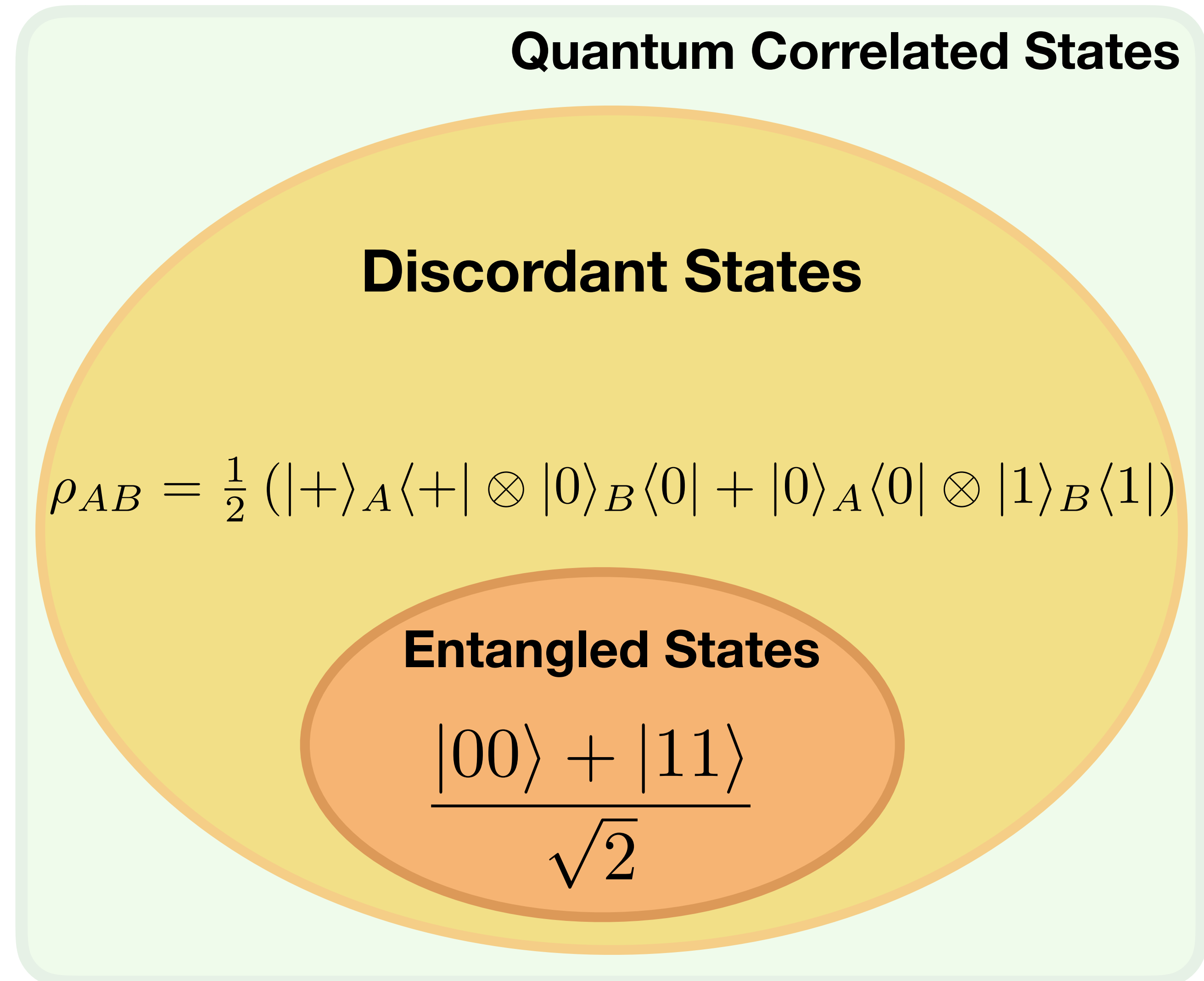


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*Gaussian* measurements

- **Analytical Formula**

$$\mathcal{I} \rightarrow \mathcal{I}(\sigma)$$

$$C_{GL} \rightarrow C_{GL}(\sigma)$$

$$D_{GL} \rightarrow D_{GL}(\sigma)$$

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# Classical and quantum correlations

## Quantum Discord

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- **Gaussian Discord**
- **Gaussian States**

- Separable  $\Rightarrow 0 < \mathcal{D} < 1$

- Entangled  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{D} > 1$

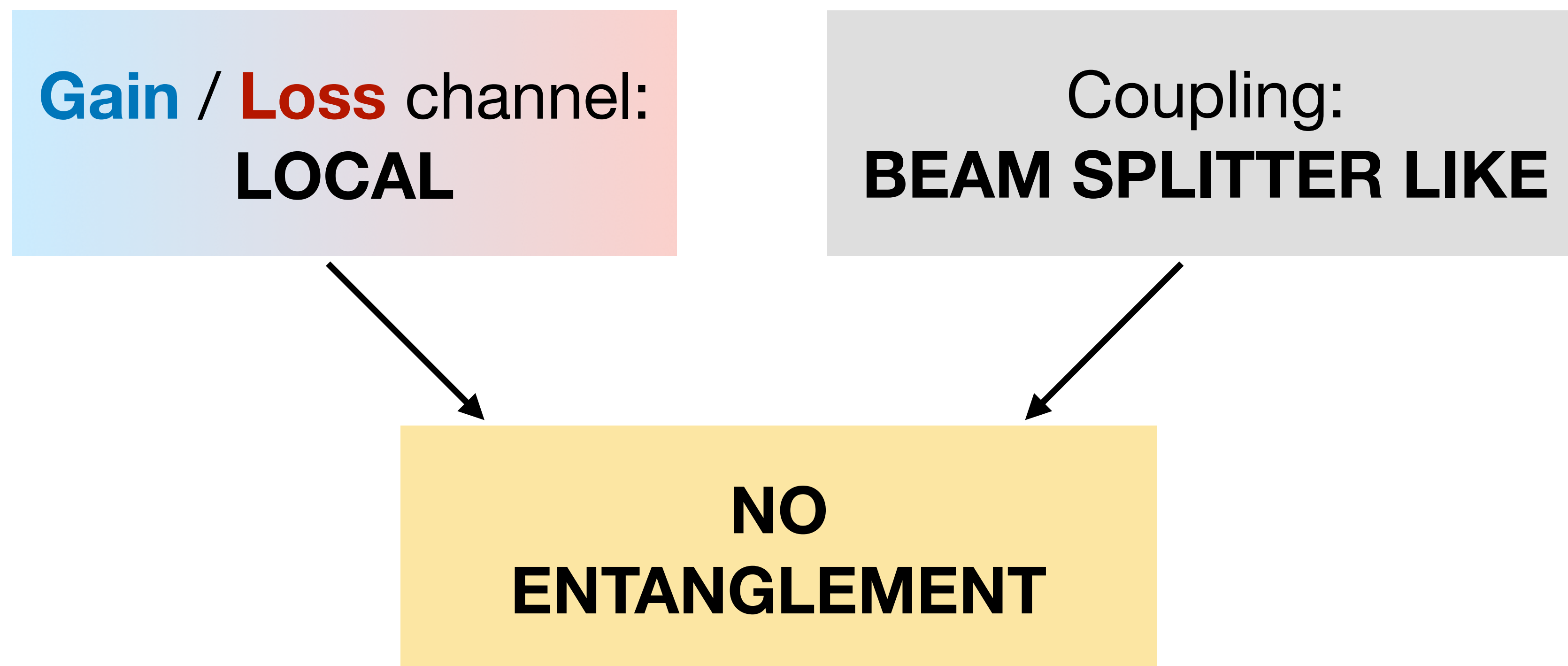
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# Dynamics of quantum correlations

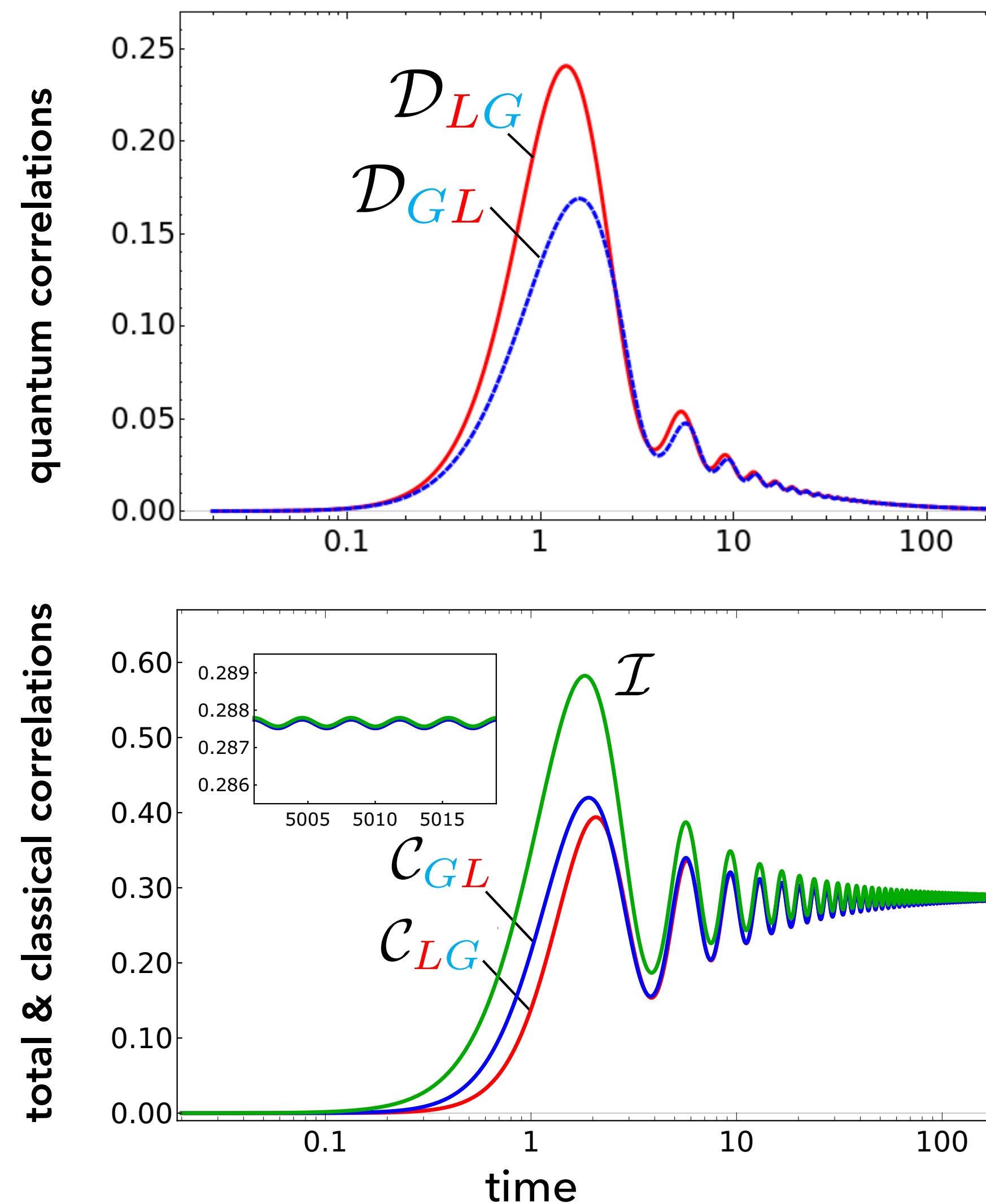
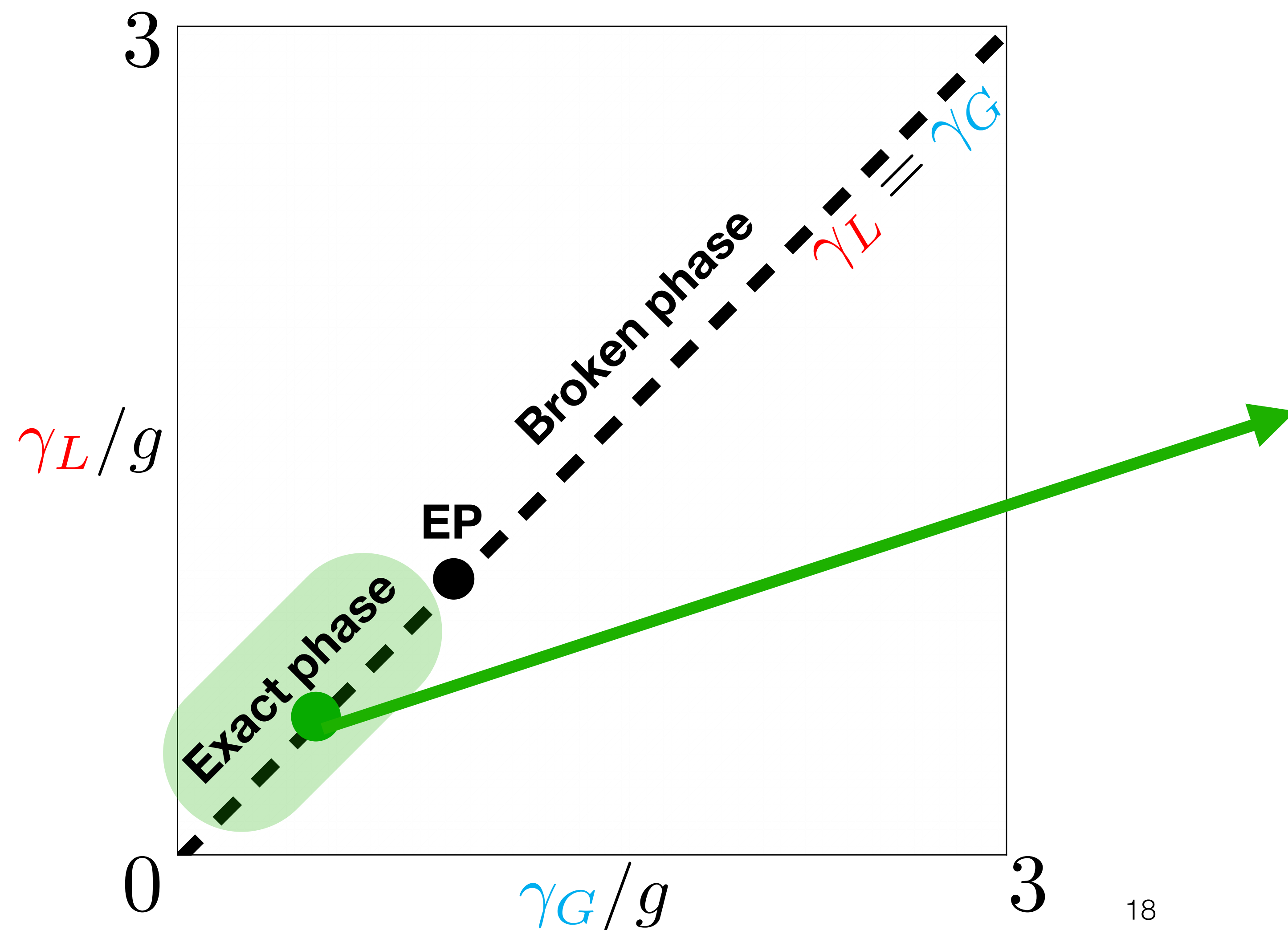
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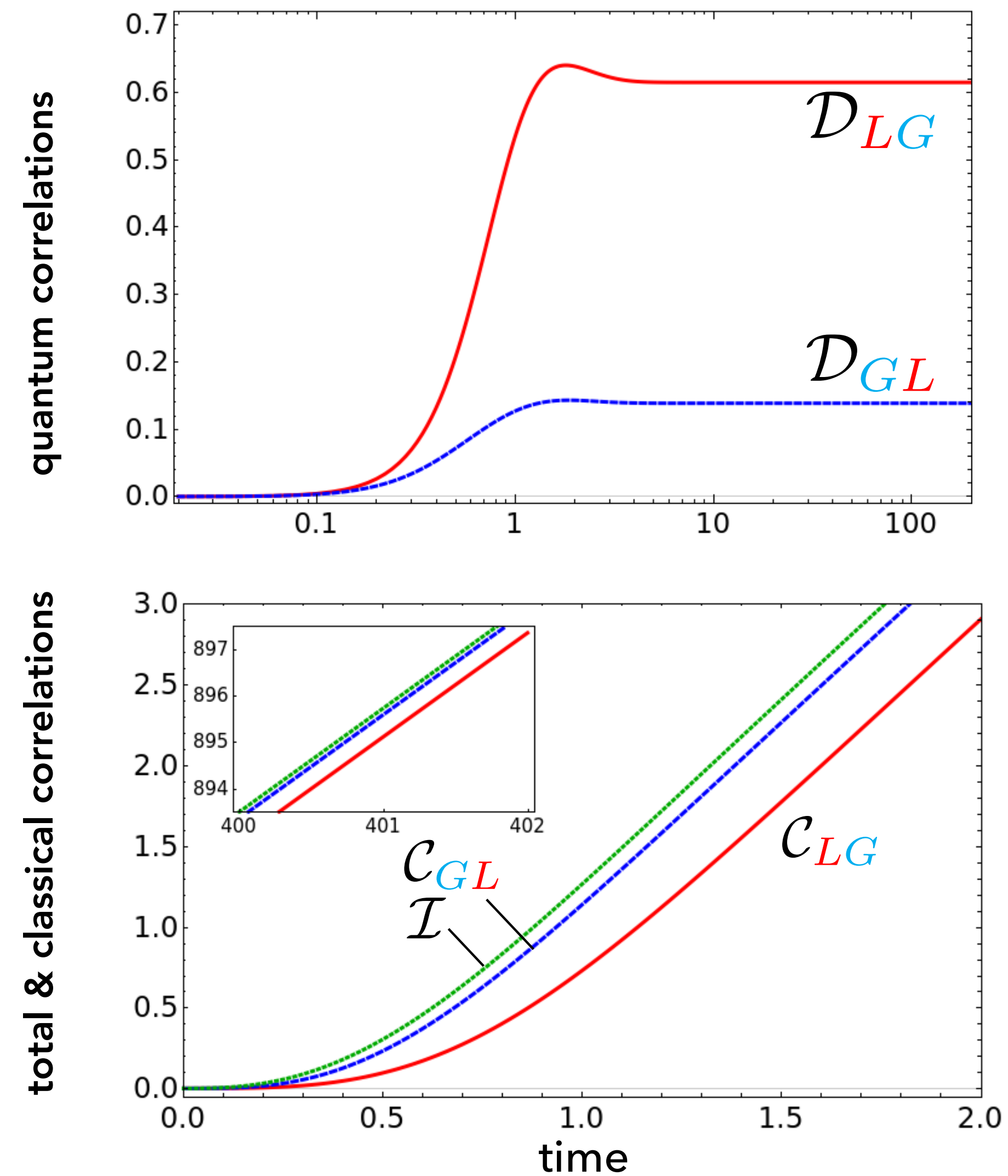
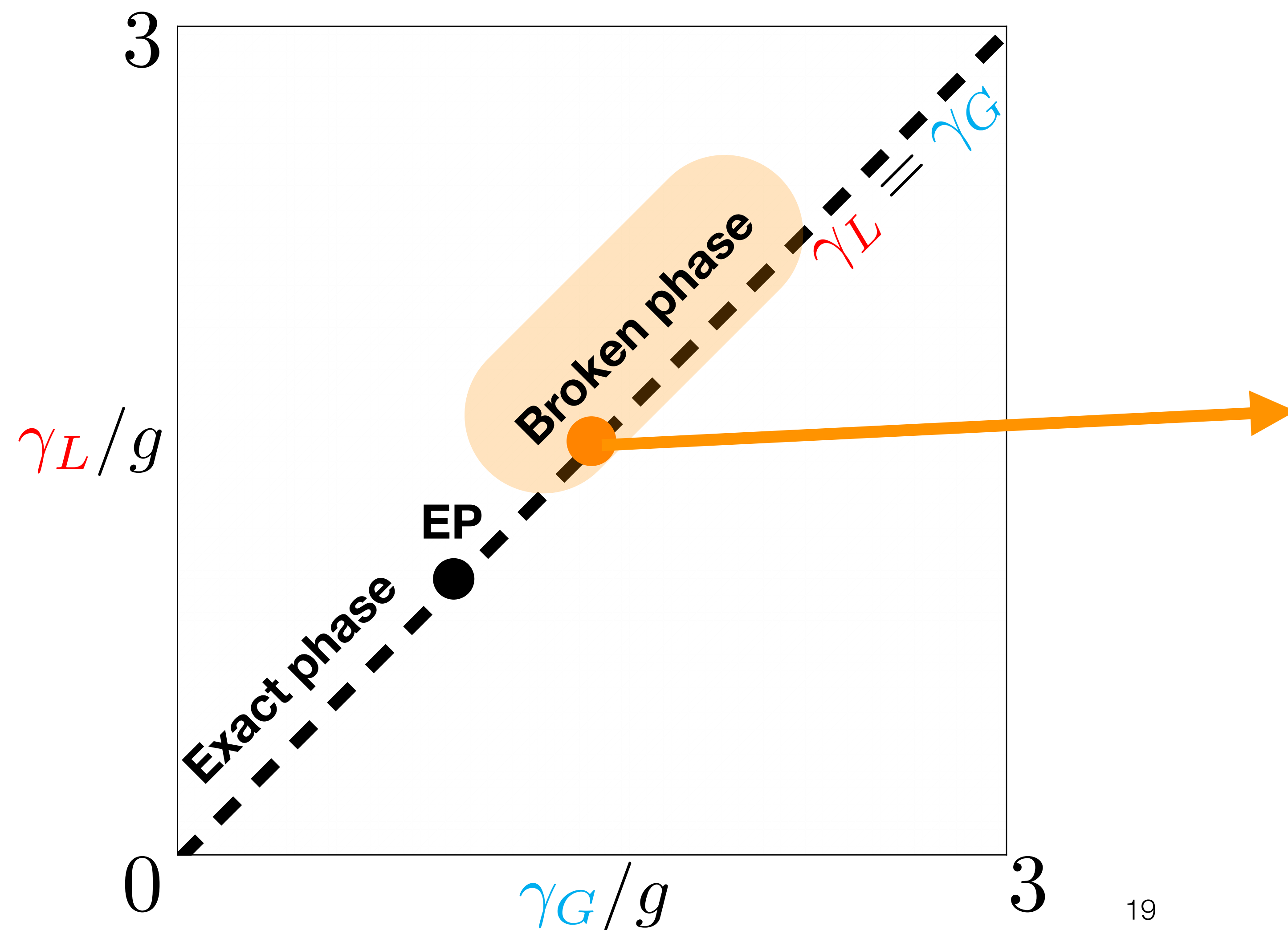


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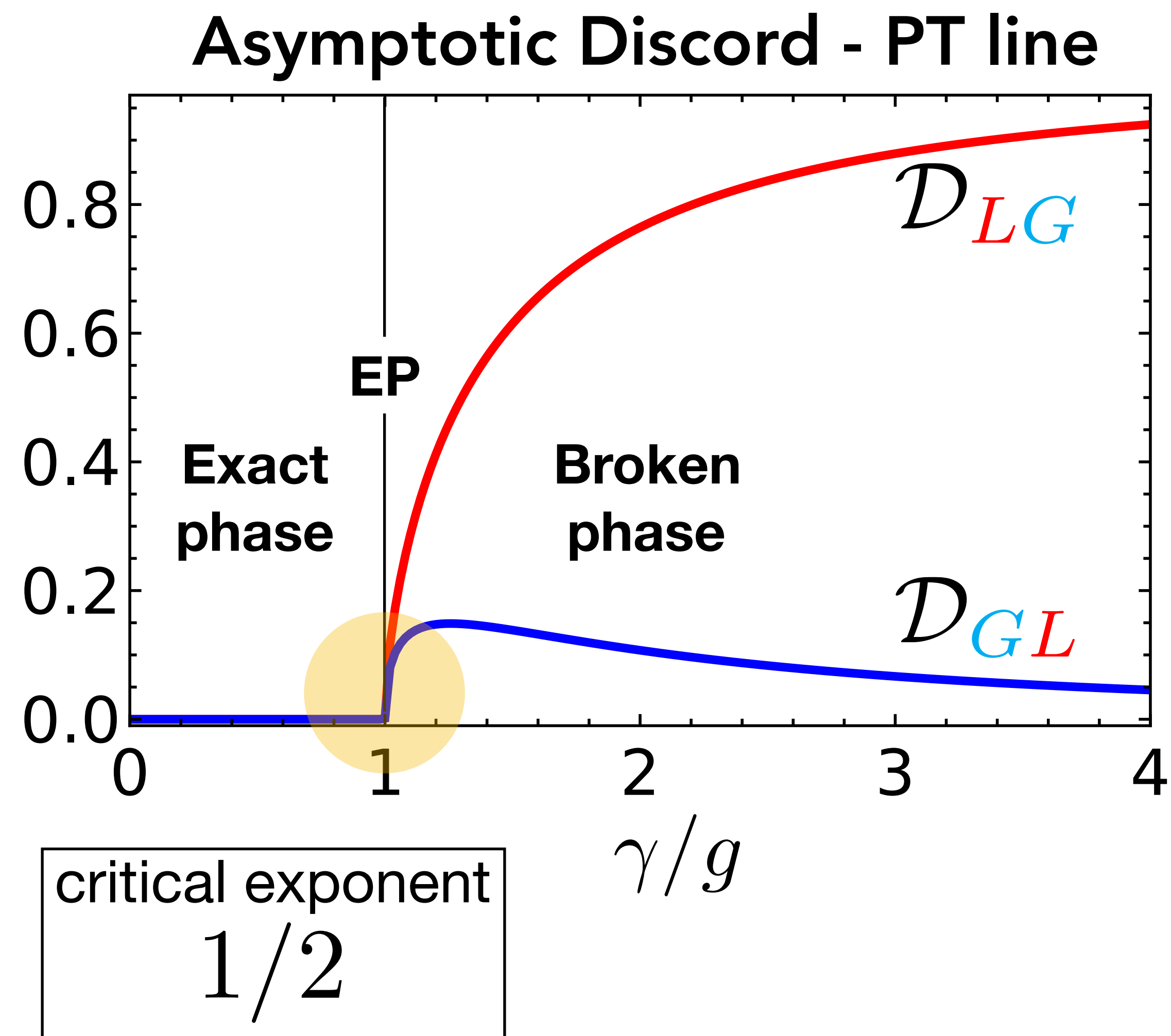
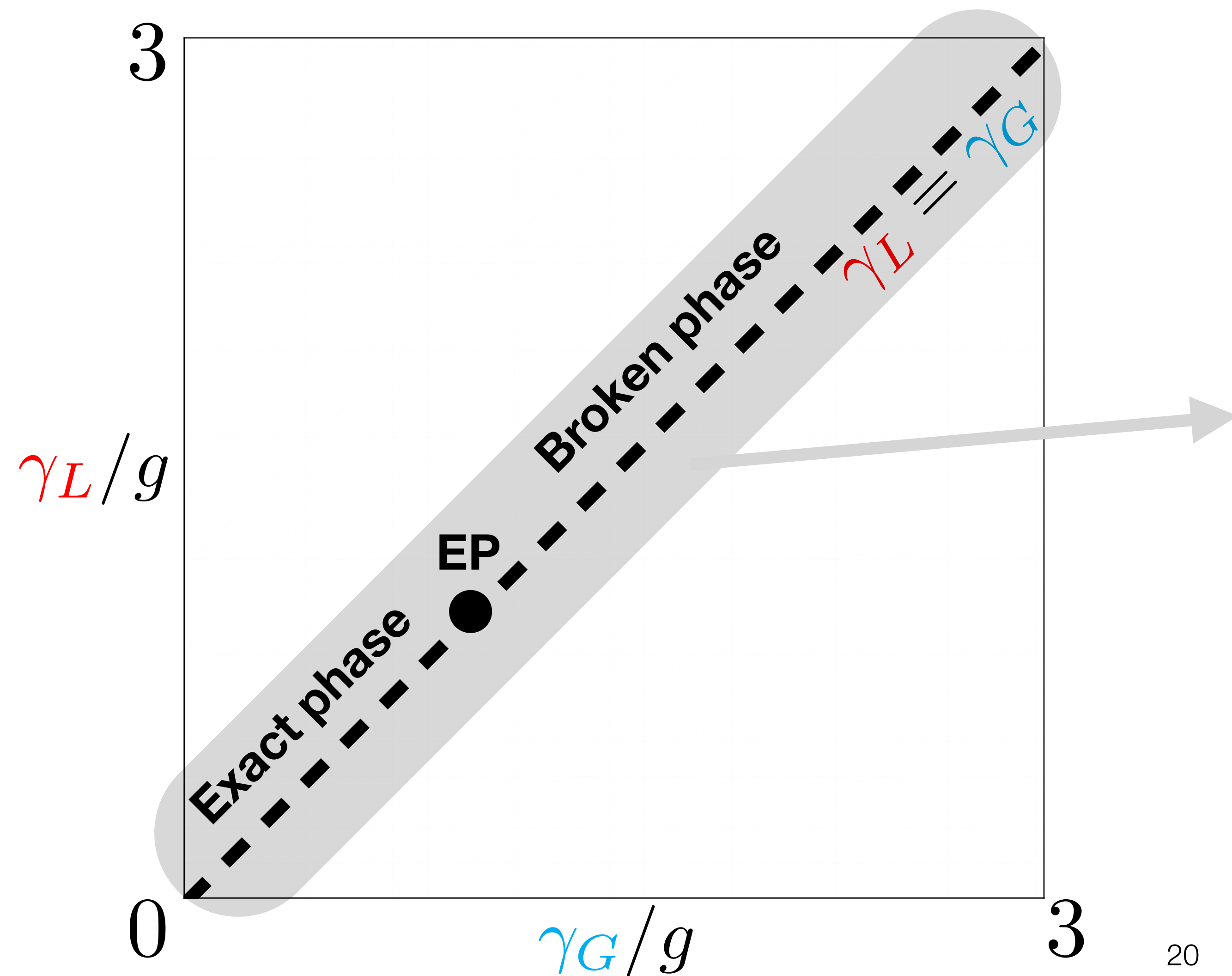
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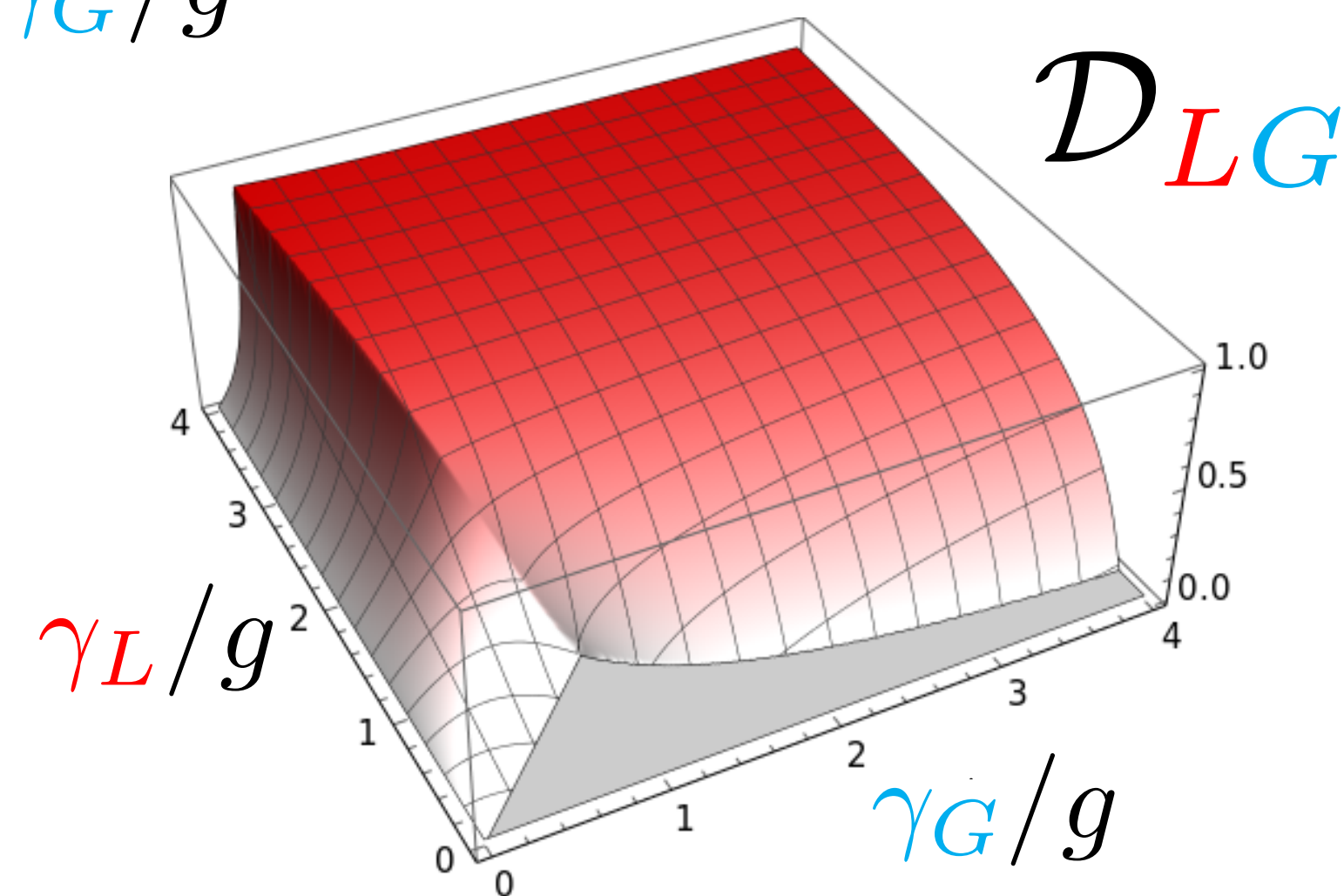
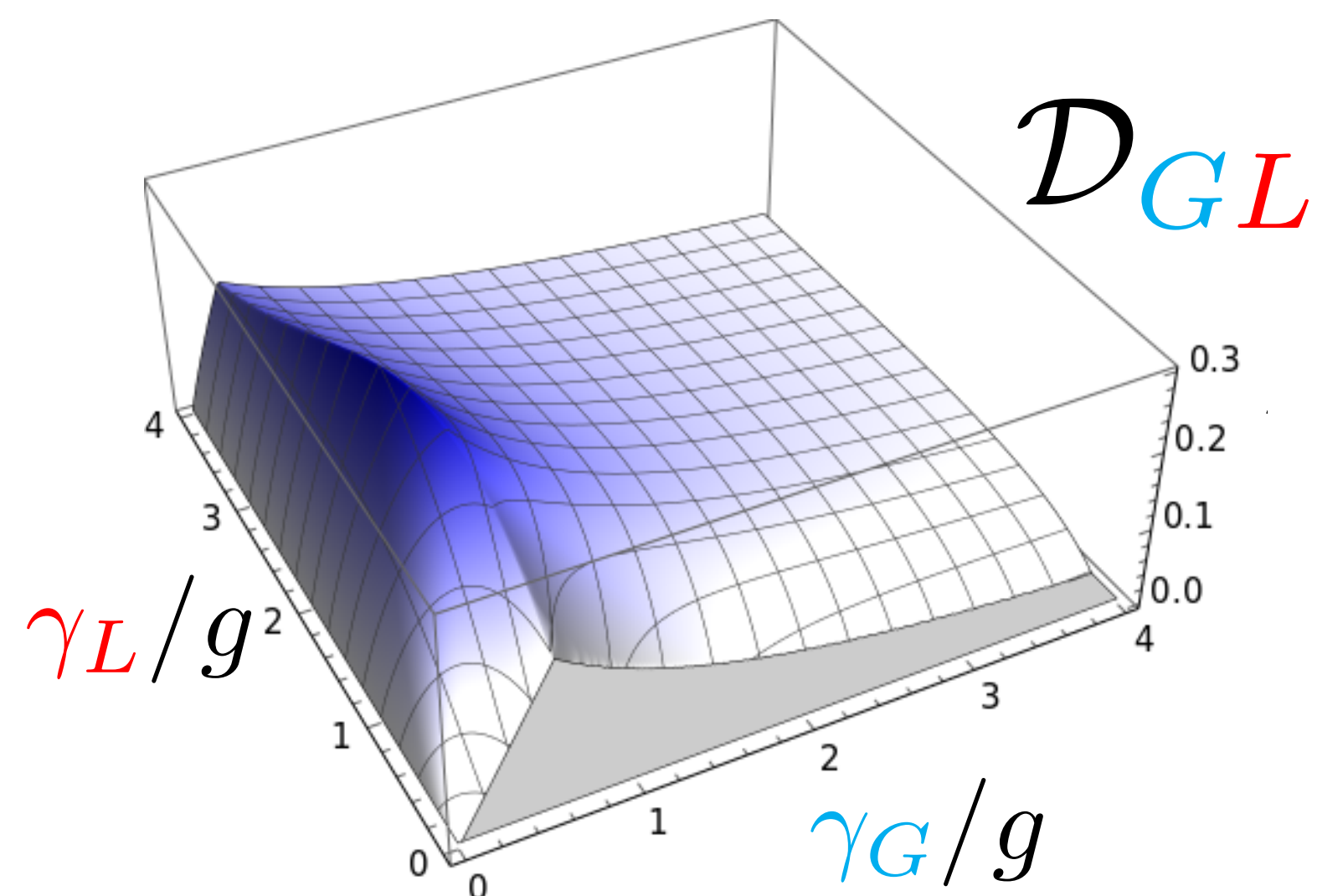
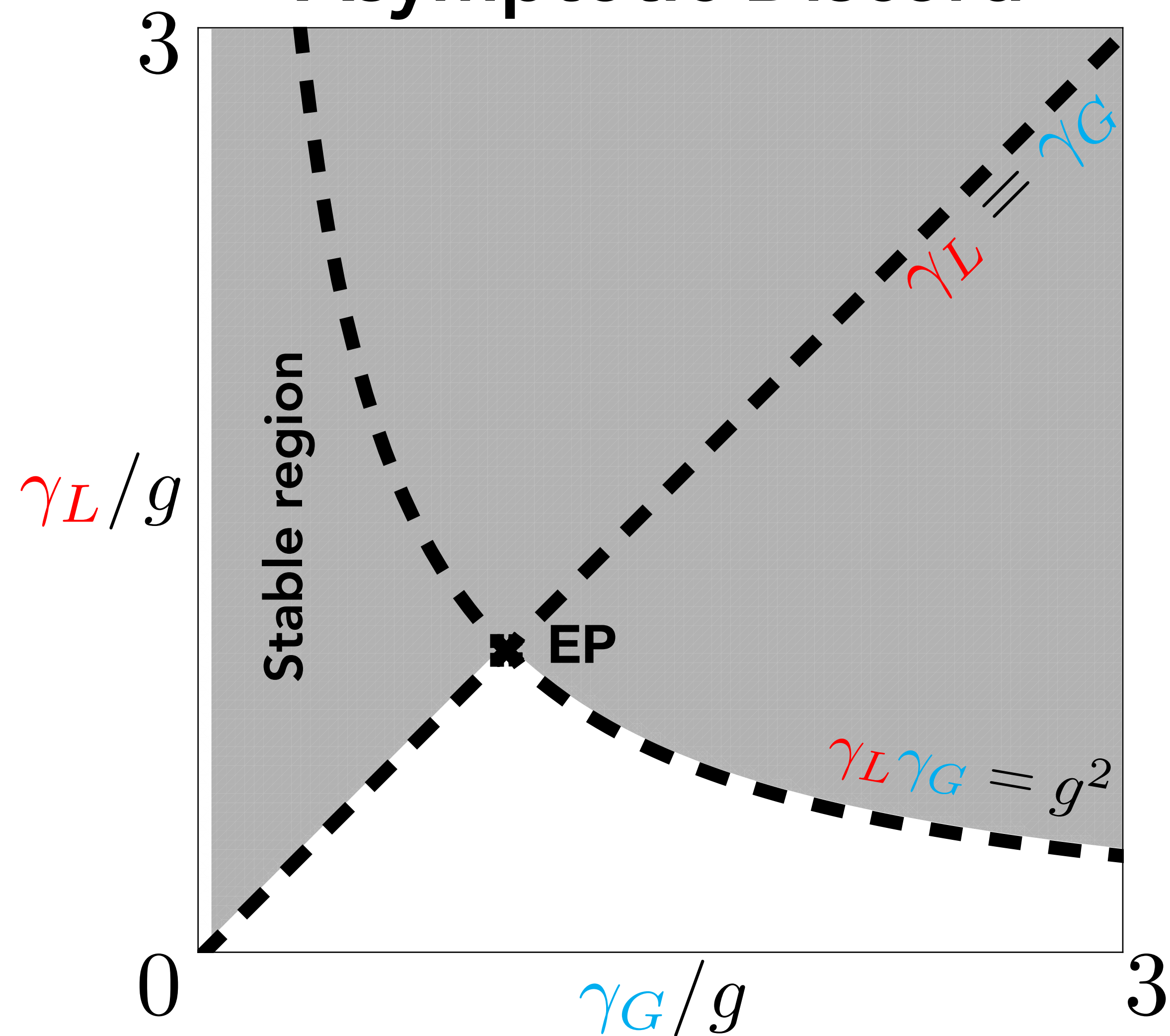


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# Dynamics of quantum correlations

## Asymptotic Discord



- non-zero
- zero

# Physical interpretation

## Discord Generation (~clear..)

### Loss

$$|\alpha\rangle \rightarrow |\eta\alpha\rangle, \quad \eta < 1$$

**Purity unaffected**

S. Haroche and J.-M. Raimond, Exploring the Quantum: Atoms, Cavities, and Photons (Oxford University Press, 2006).

### Coupling

$$\begin{array}{c} |\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha| \otimes |\beta\rangle\langle\beta| \\ \downarrow \\ |\tilde{\alpha}\rangle\langle\tilde{\alpha}| \otimes |\tilde{\beta}\rangle\langle\tilde{\beta}| \end{array}$$

**Beam splitter**

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### Gain

$$\begin{array}{c} |\alpha\rangle\langle\alpha| \\ \downarrow \\ \int d^2\alpha' P(\alpha') |\alpha'\rangle\langle\alpha'| \end{array}$$

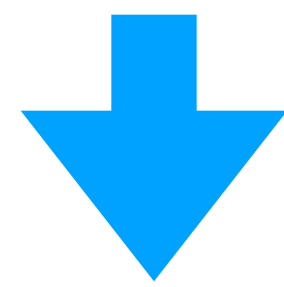
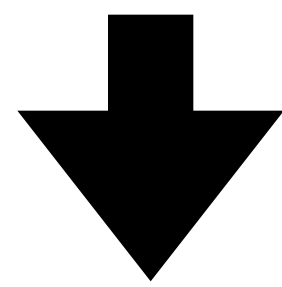
- **Purity diminished**
- **Superposition of non orthogonal states**

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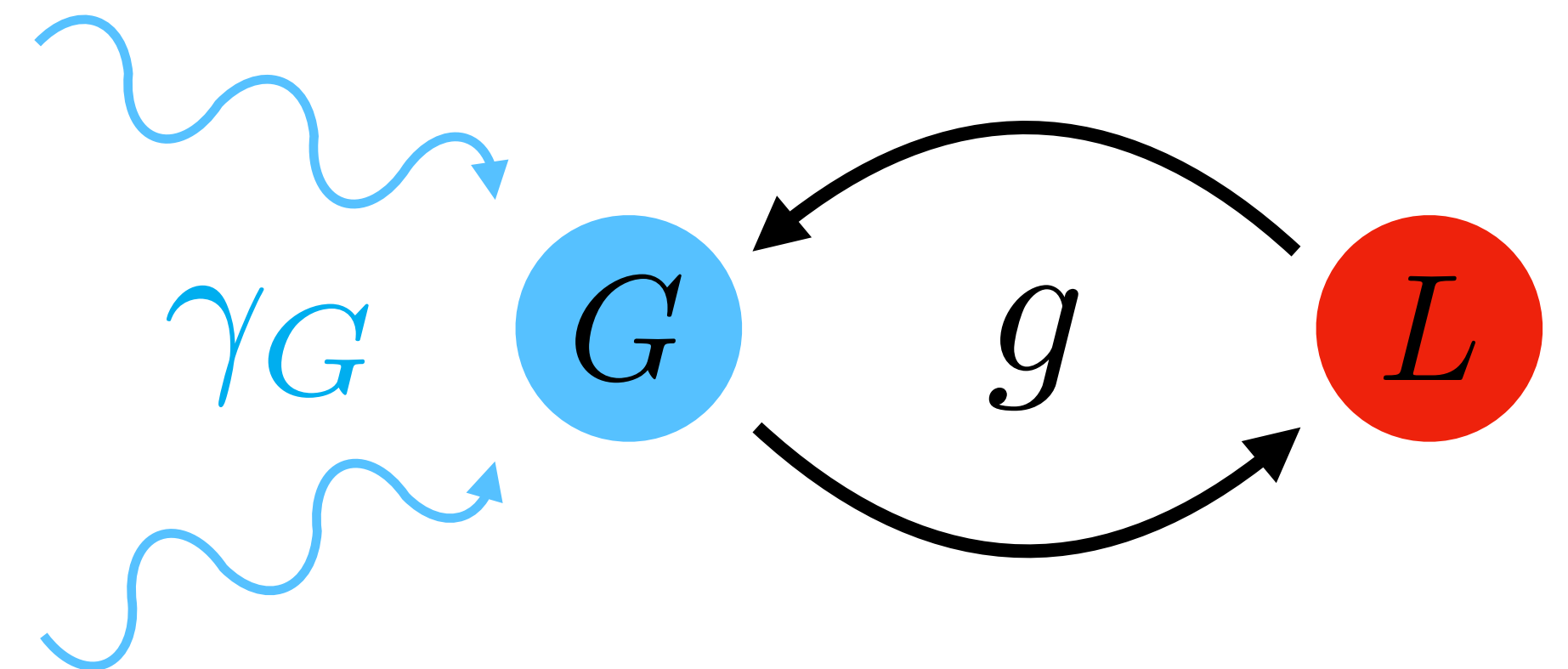
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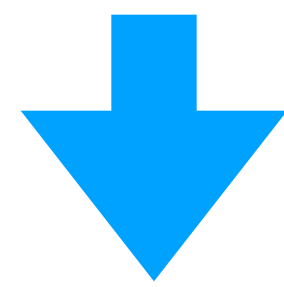
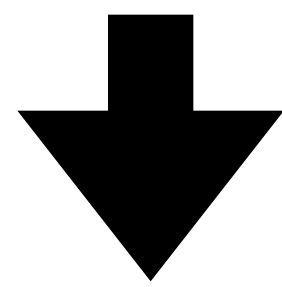
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Discord Generation (~clear..) ... & stabilisation (~?)

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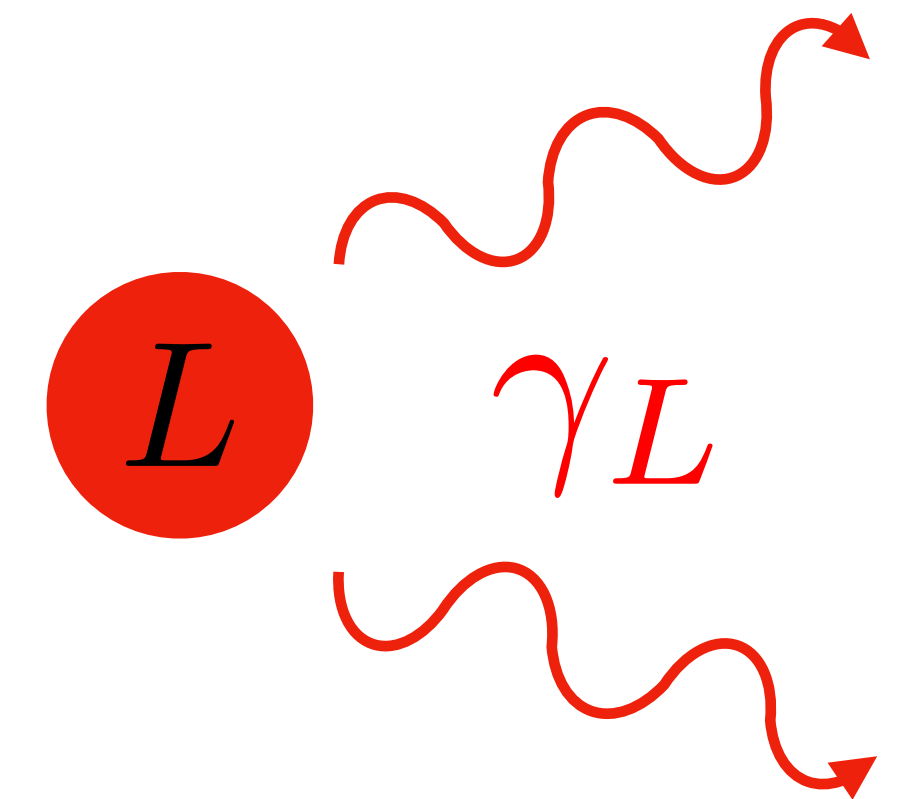


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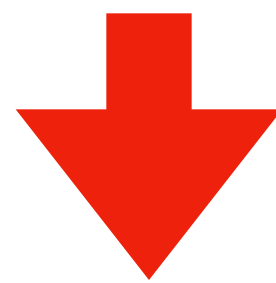
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In a  $L - L$  or  
 $G - G$  system

~~Stable Quantum  
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# Highlights

- Quantum properties of **PT symmetric** system
- For equal **gain** and **loss** rates **Quantum Correlations (QCs)** **decay** in the **exact** phase and are **finite** in the **broken** phase
- **Gain**: creation of QCs.      **Gain/Loss**: stabilisation of QCs
- Useful for Quantum Technologies

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# Thank you!

