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The Self-Force Problem

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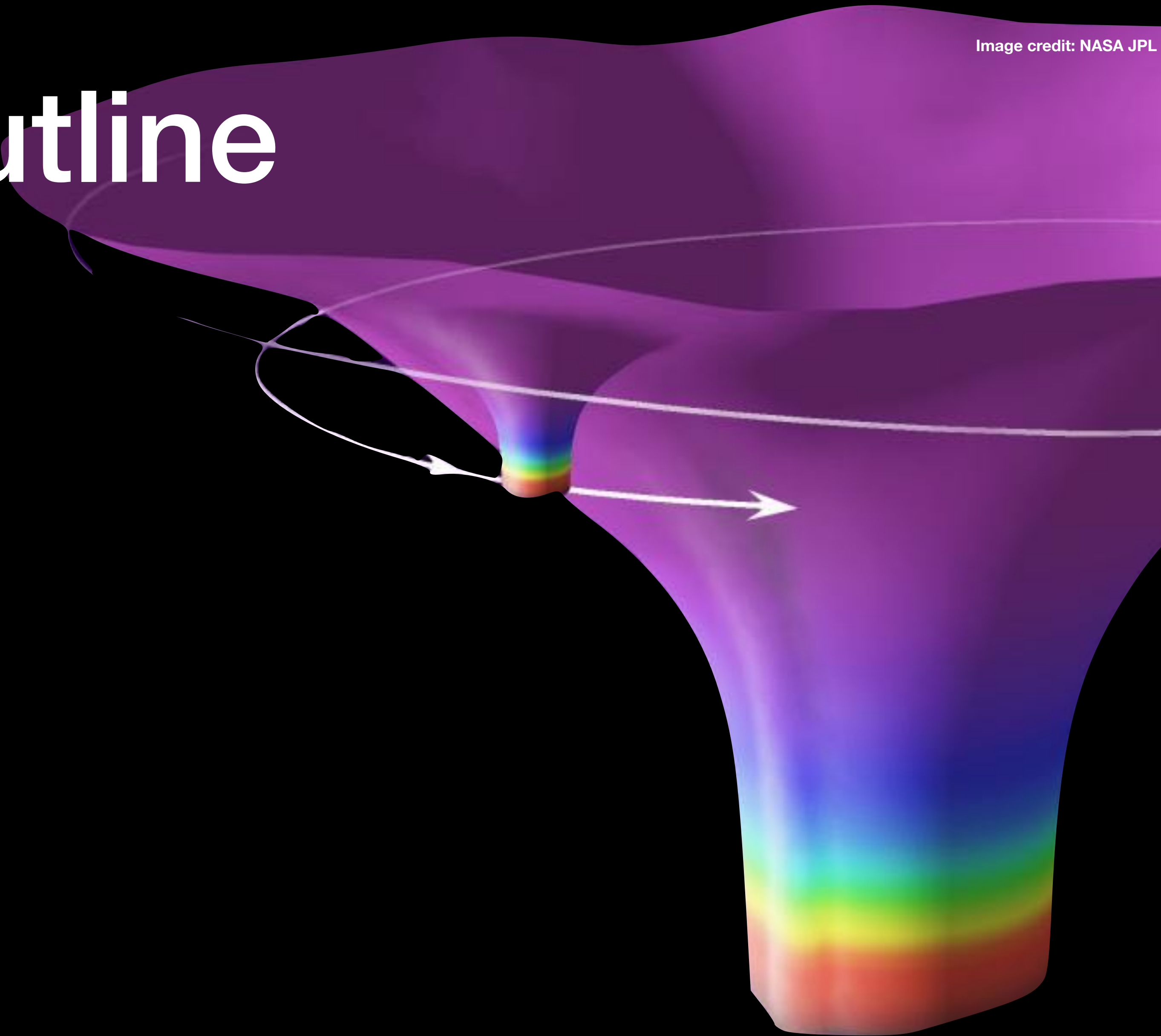




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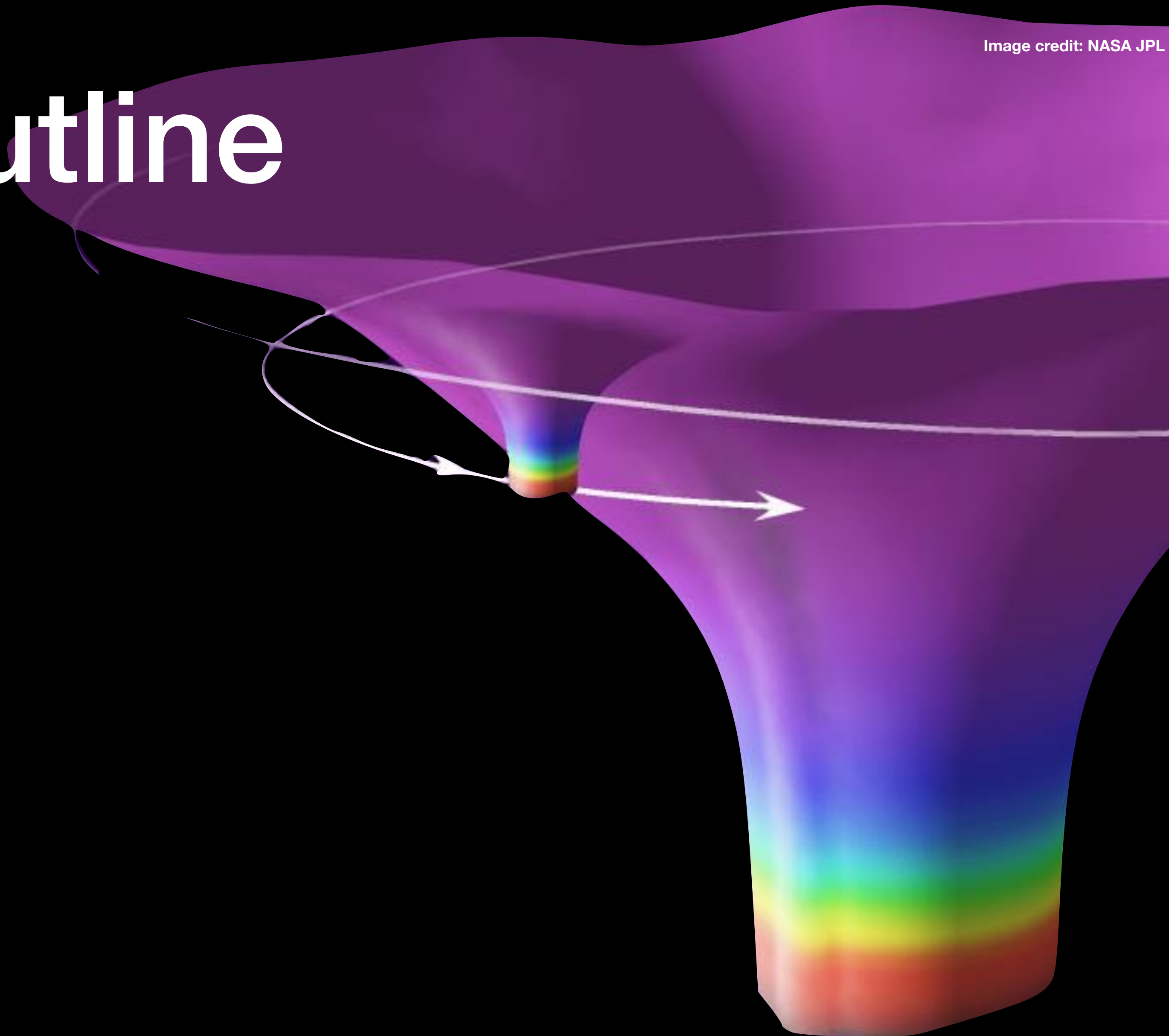




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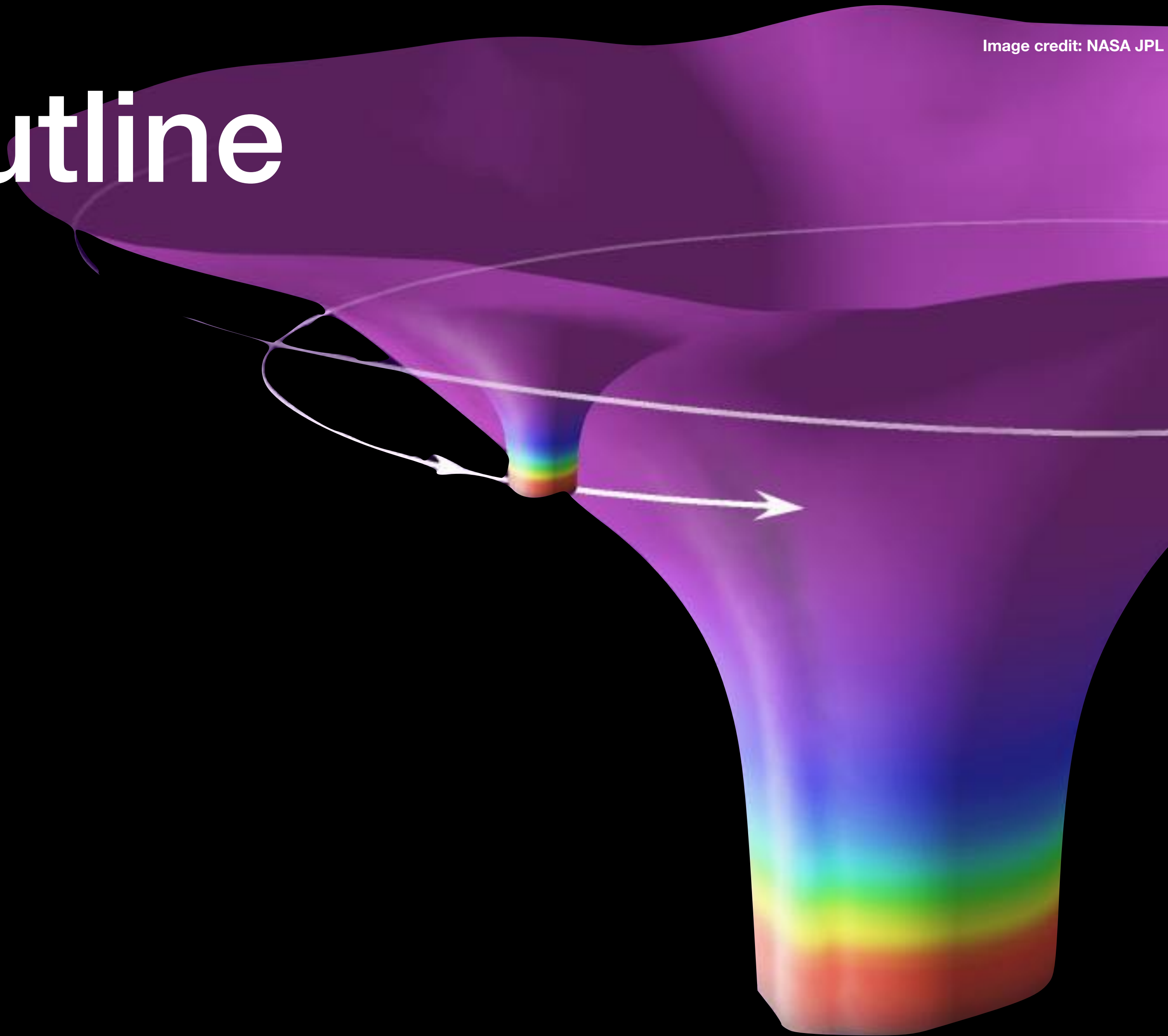




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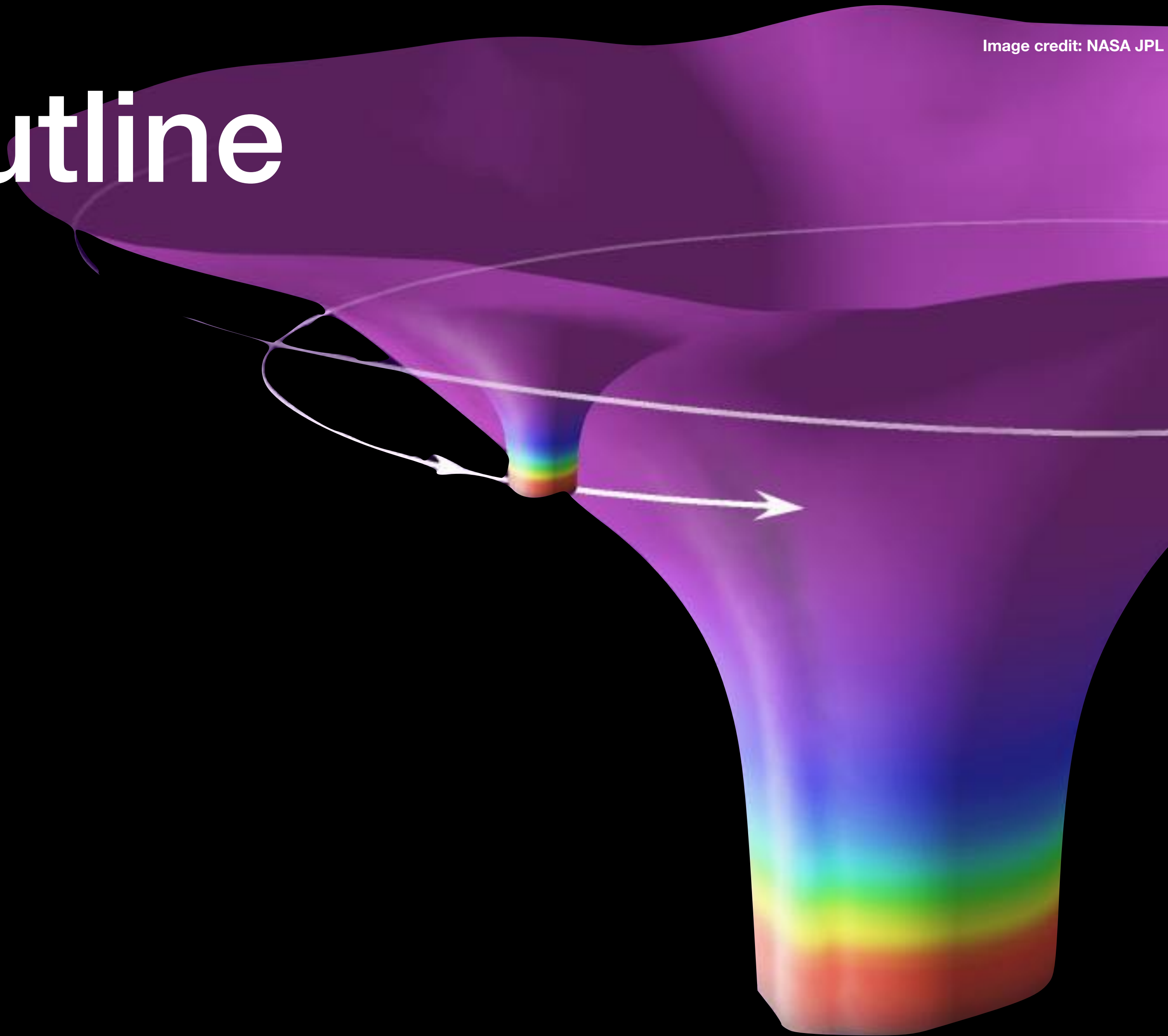




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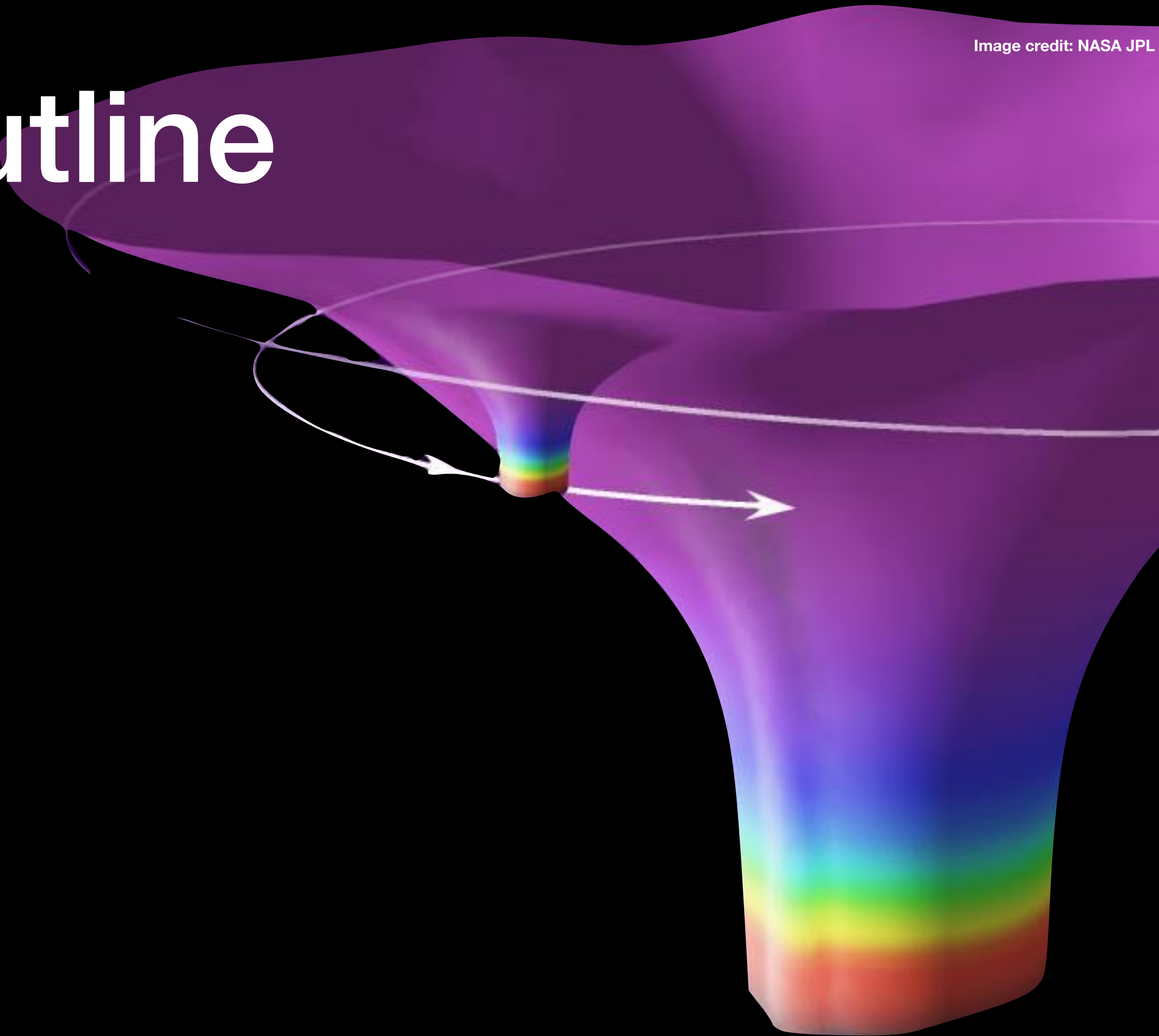




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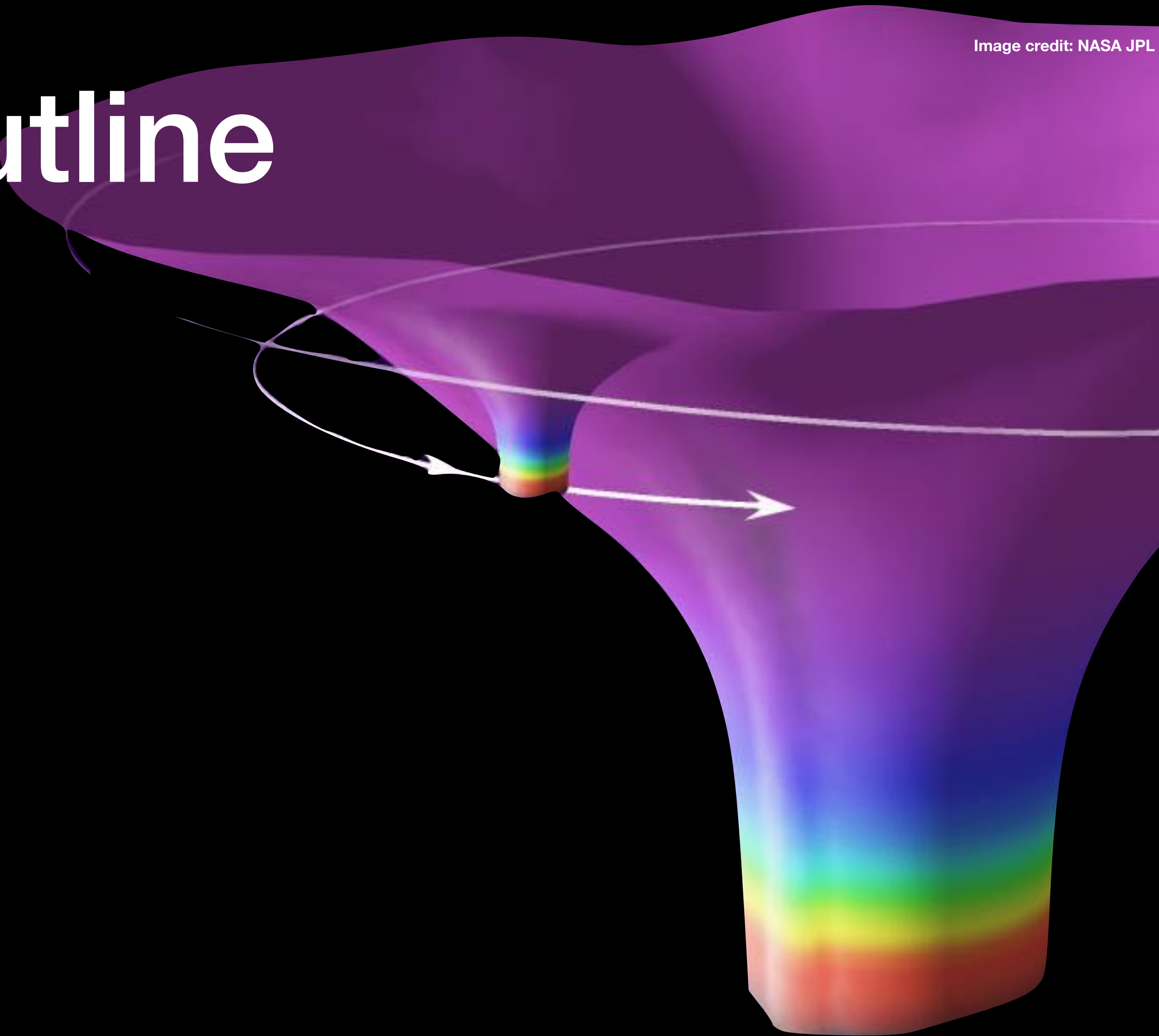




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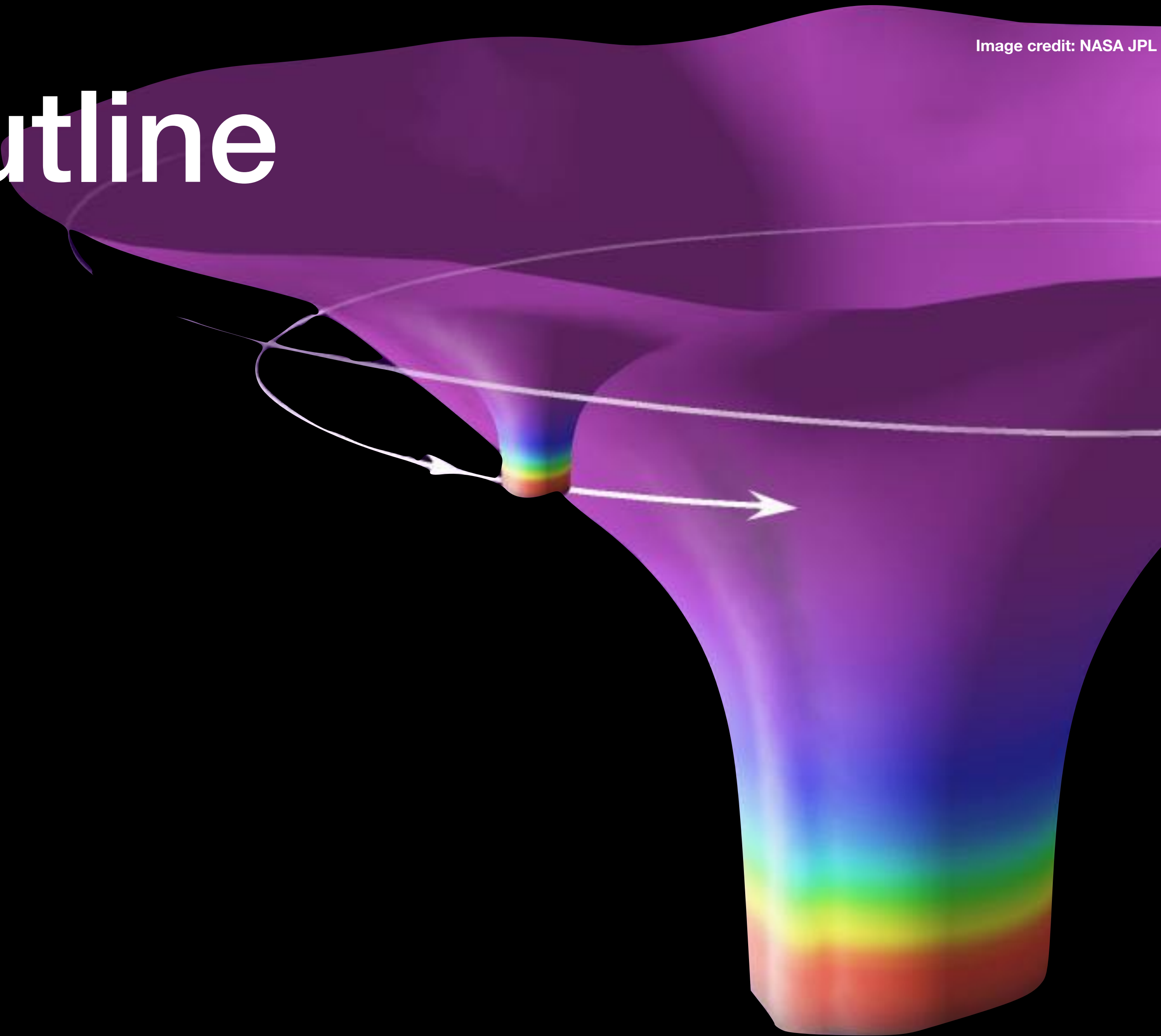
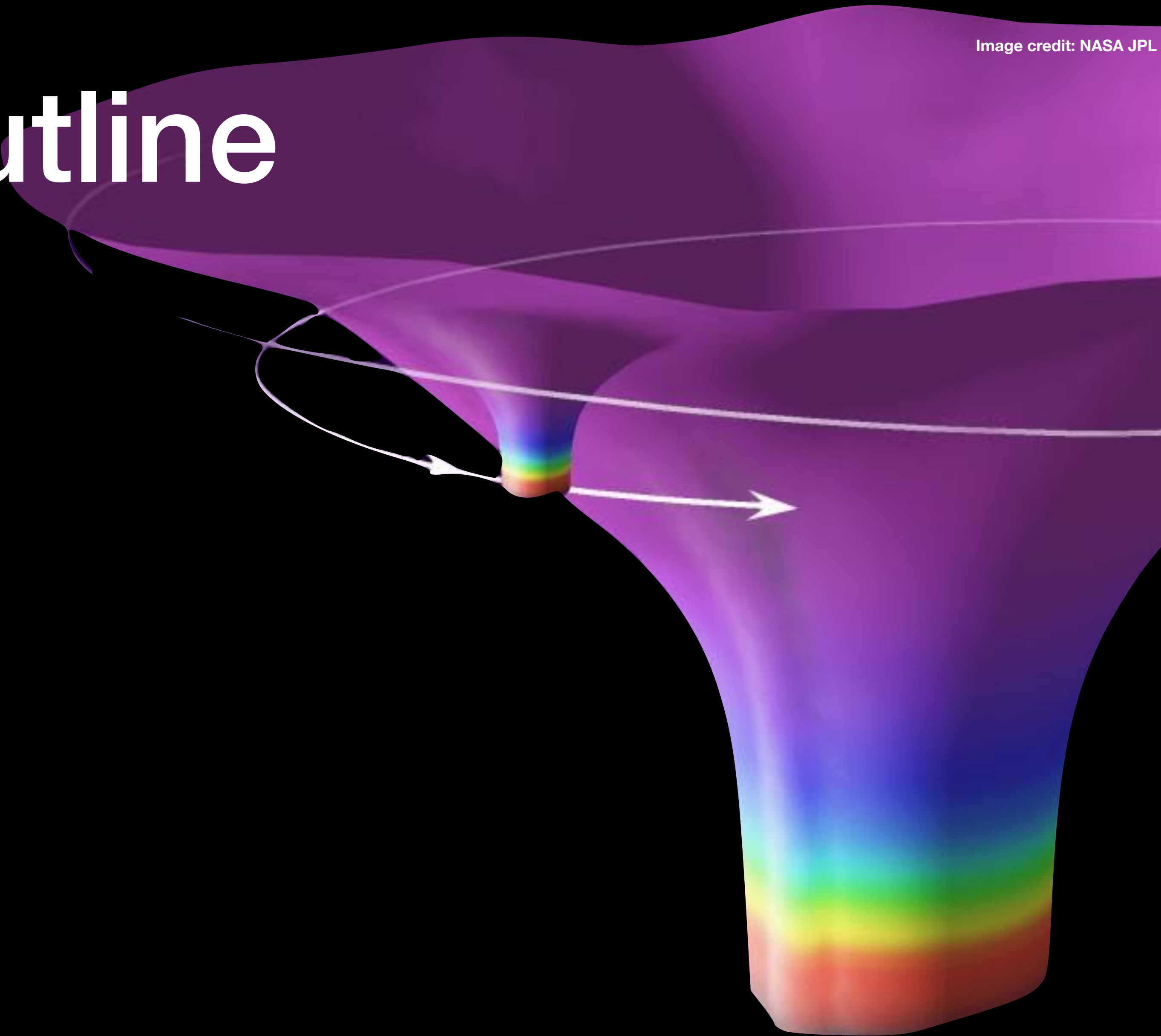




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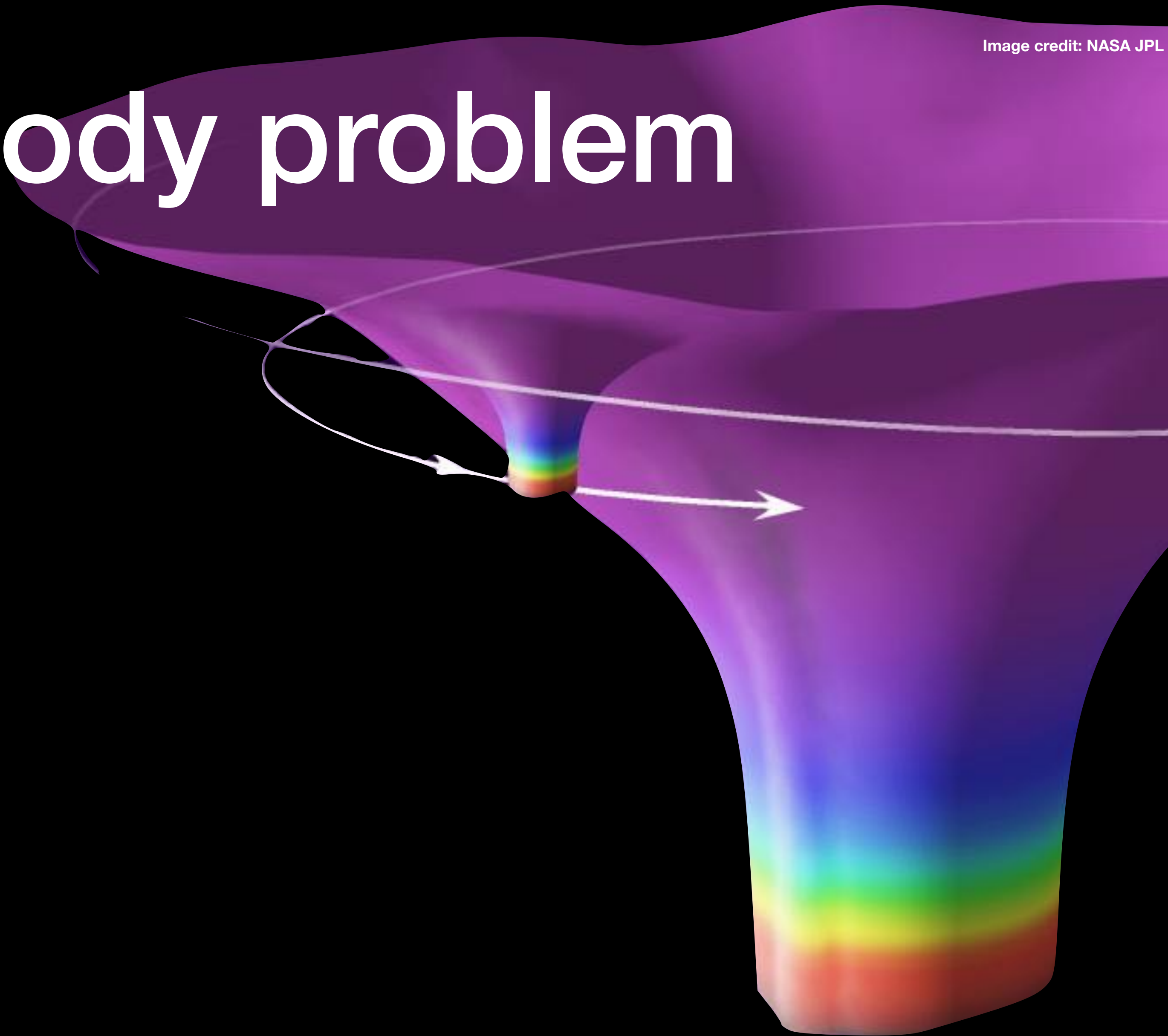
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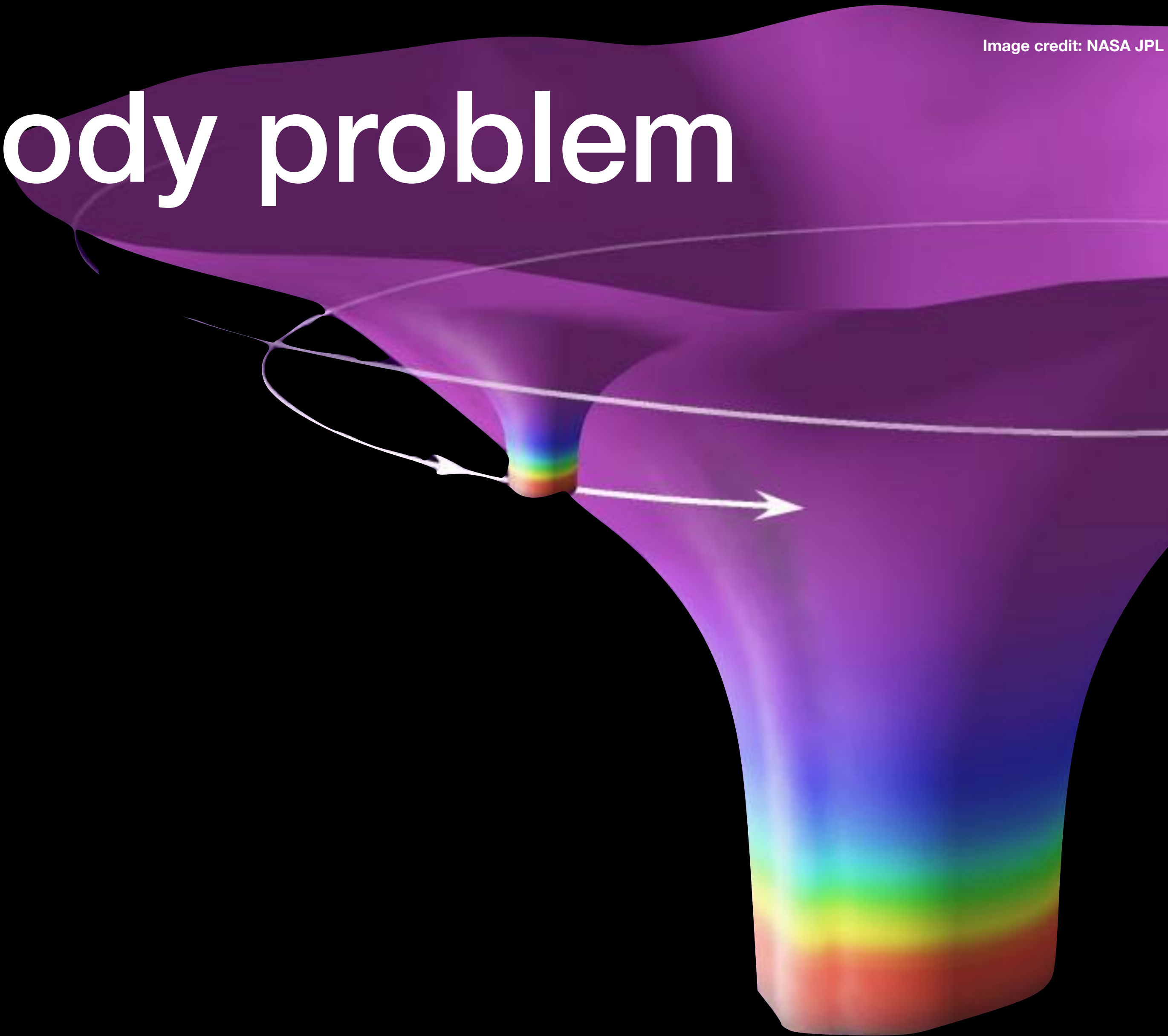




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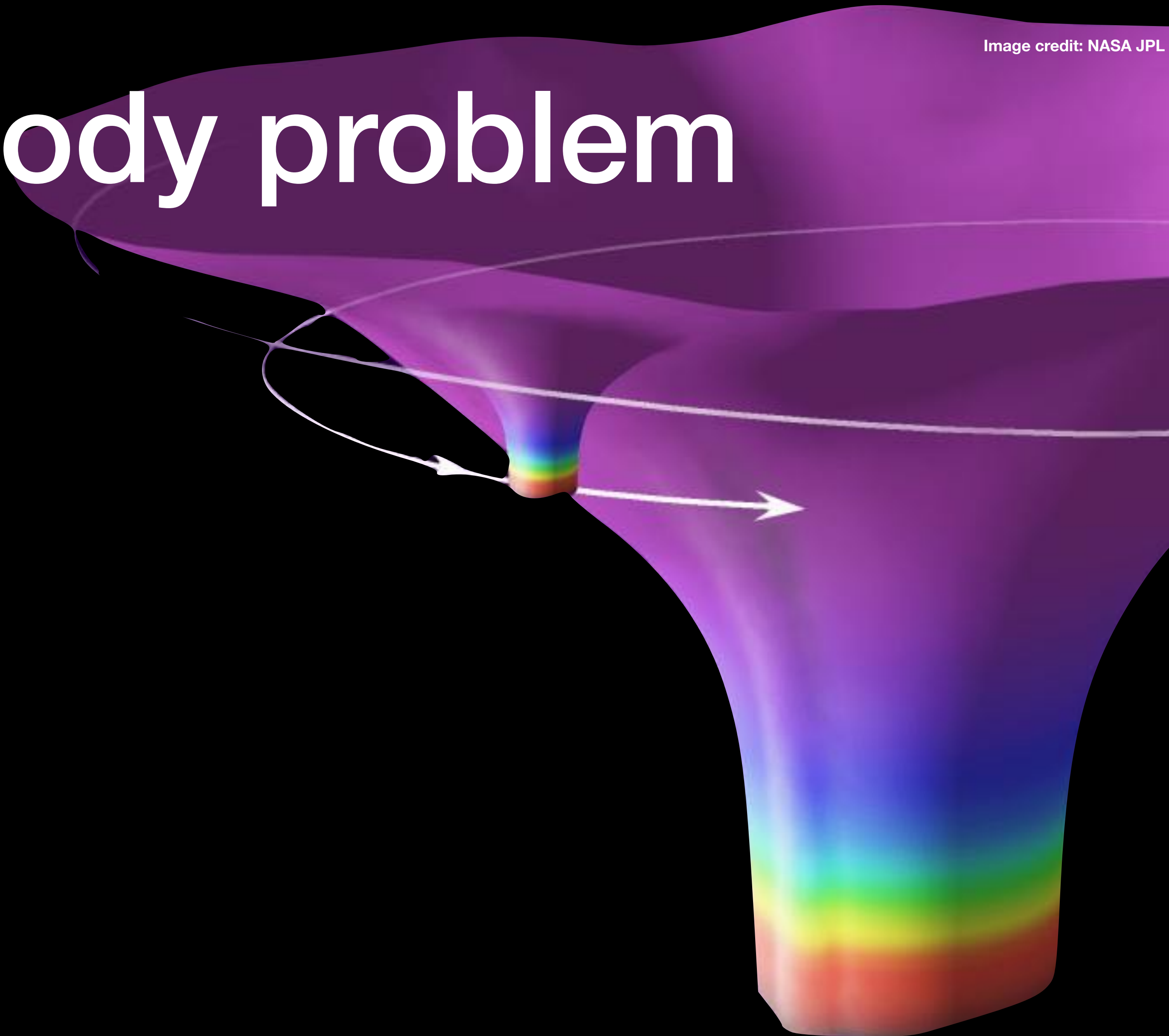
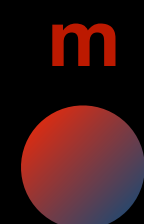
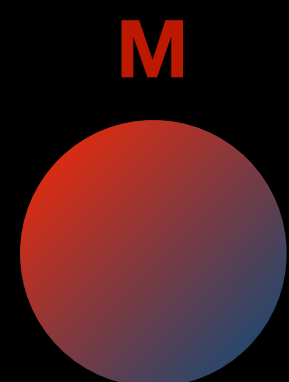




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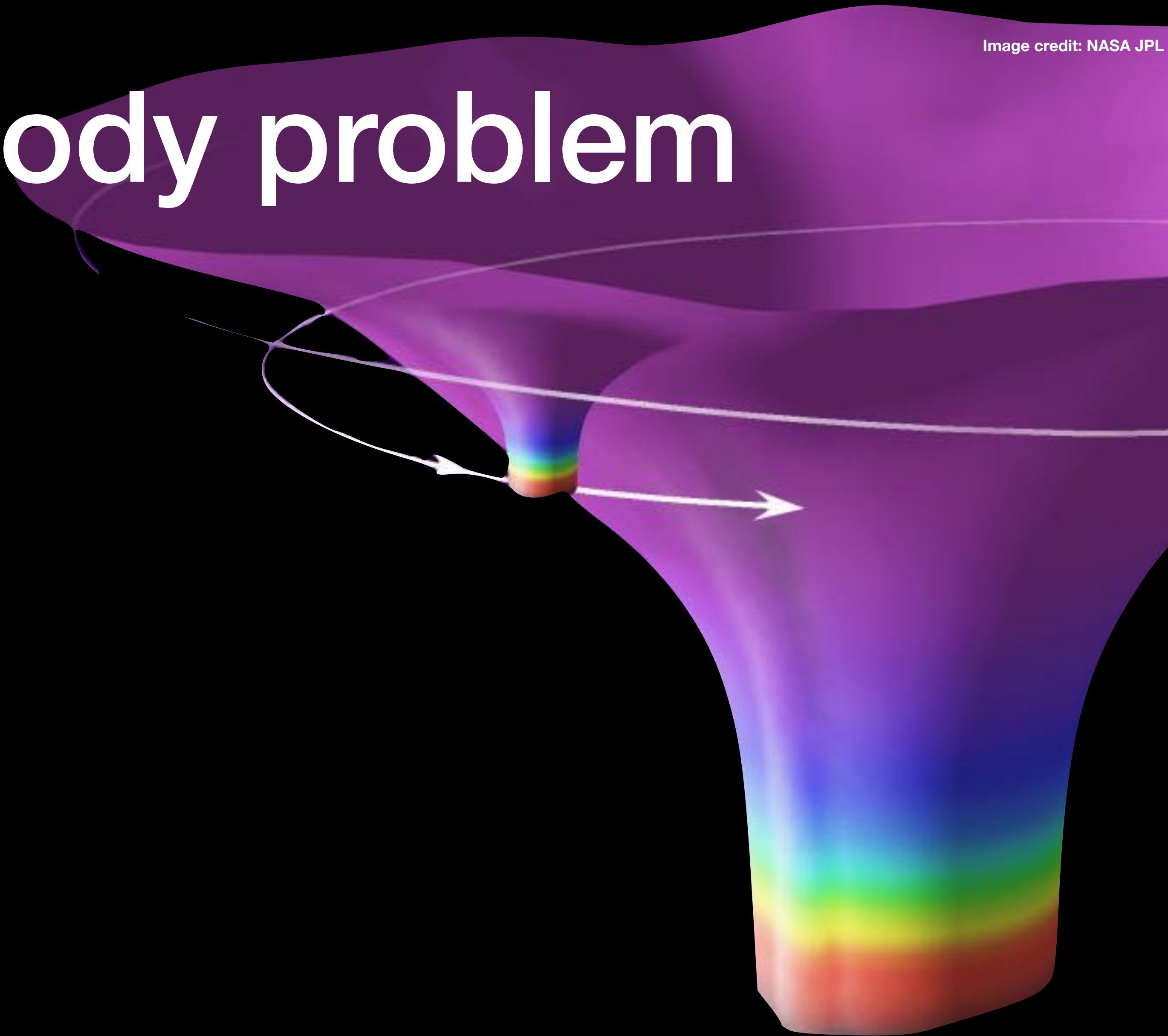




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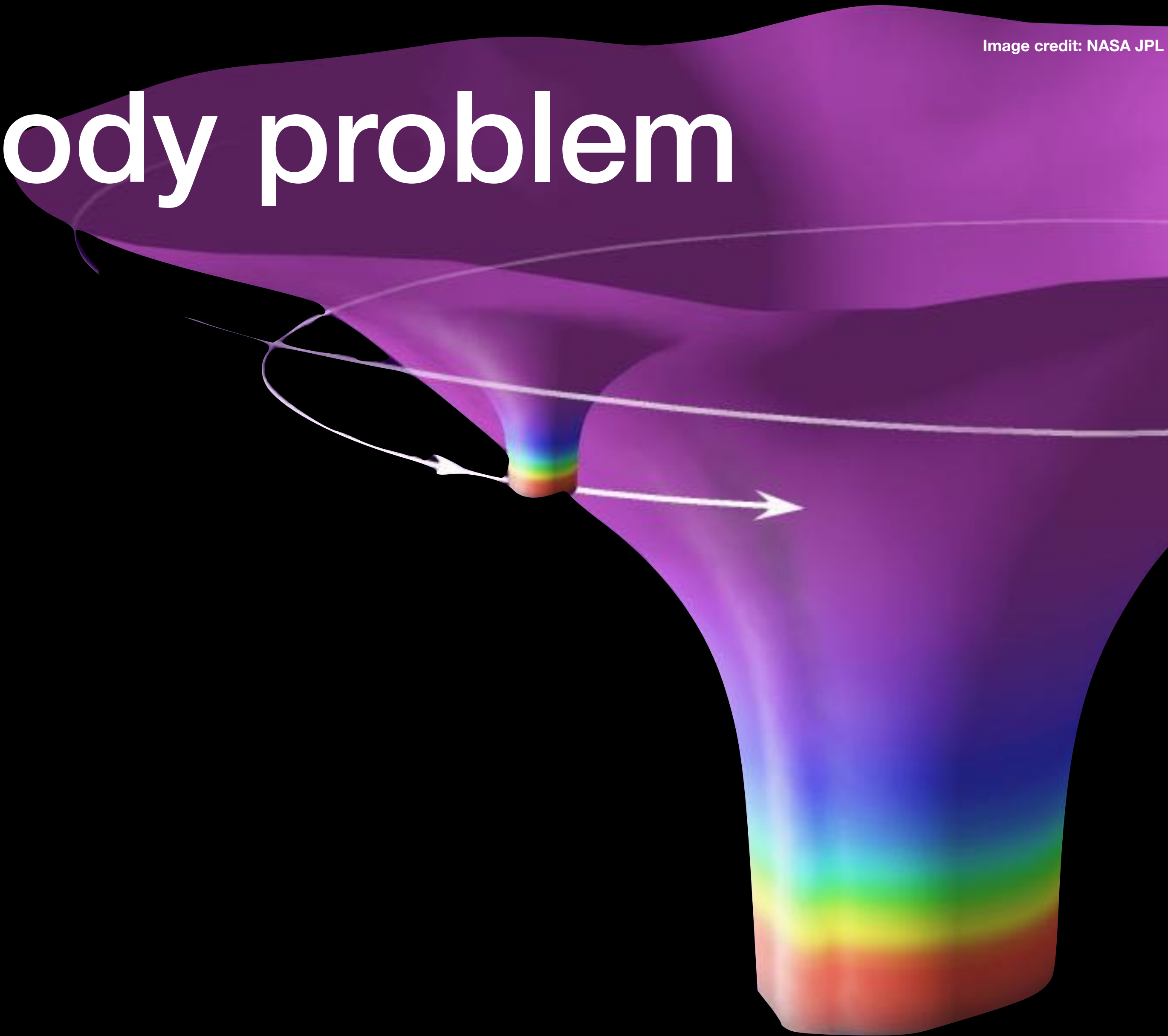
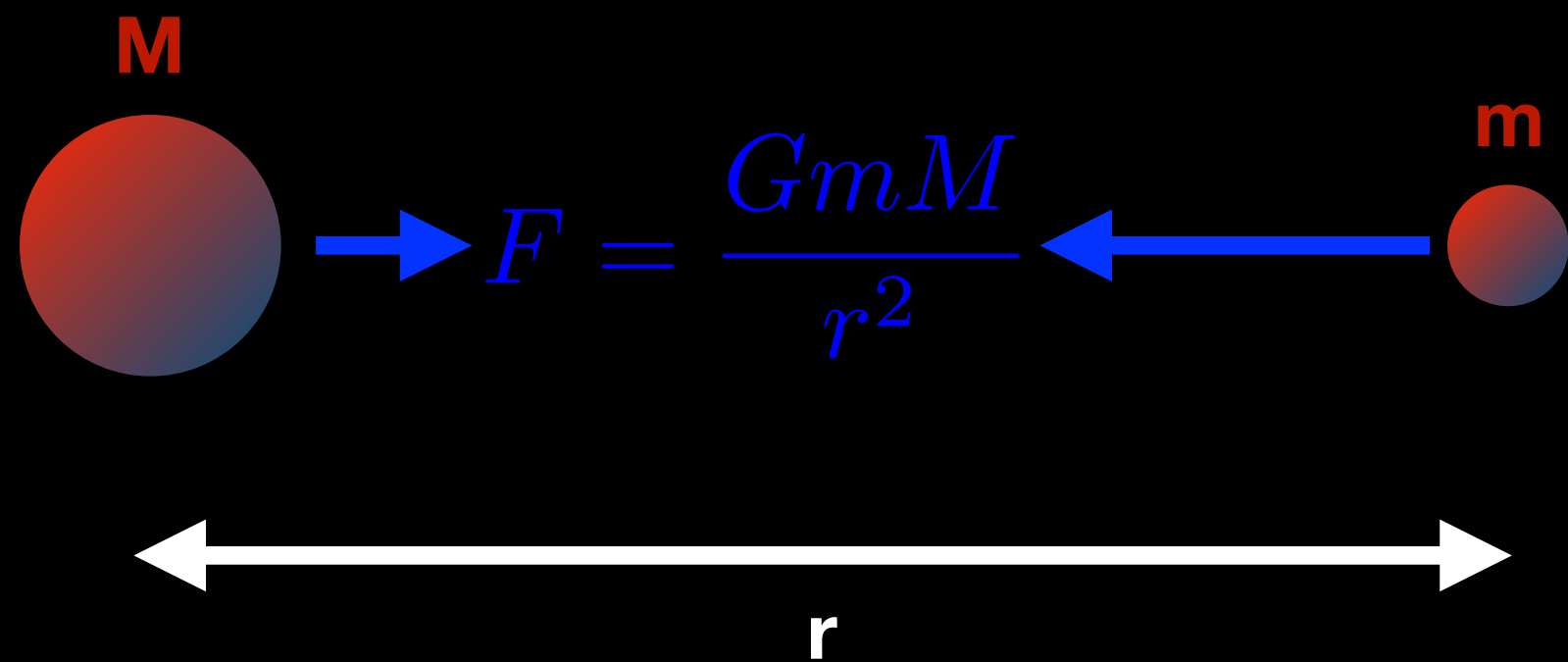




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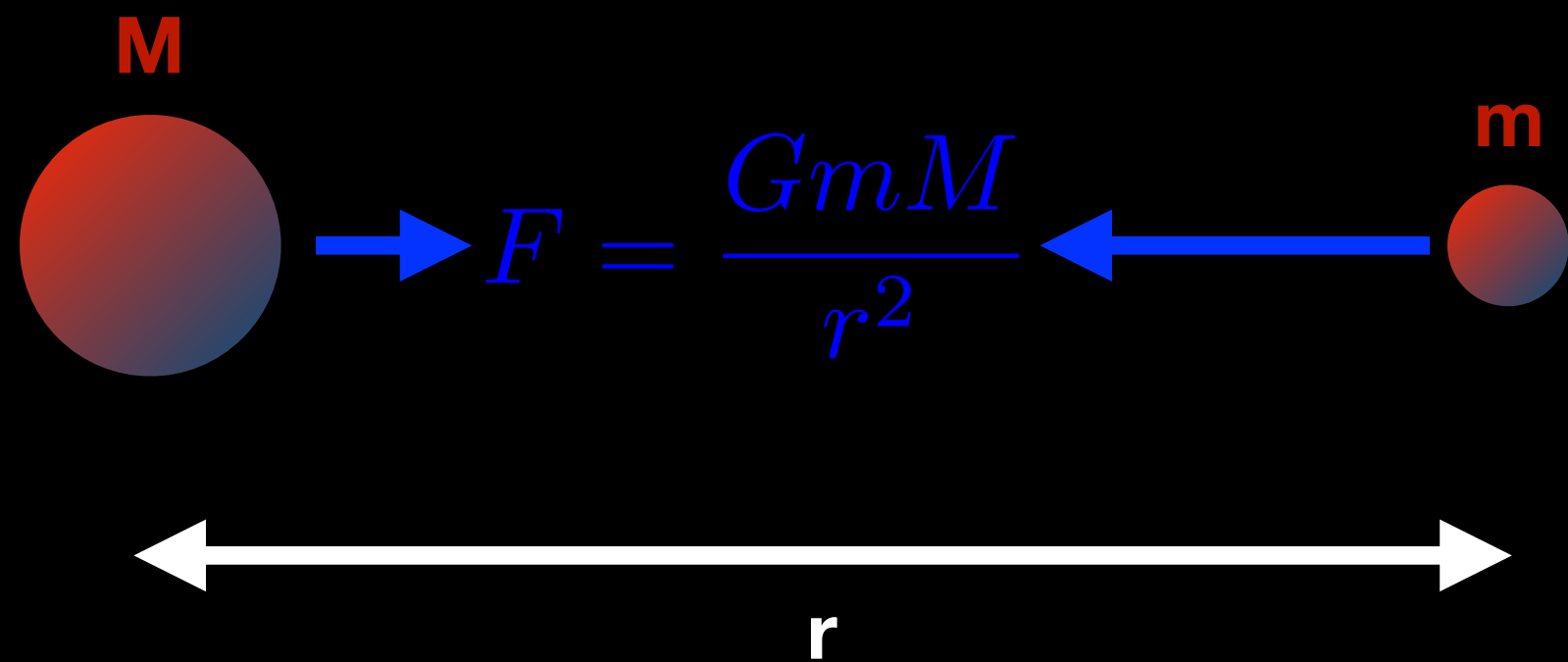




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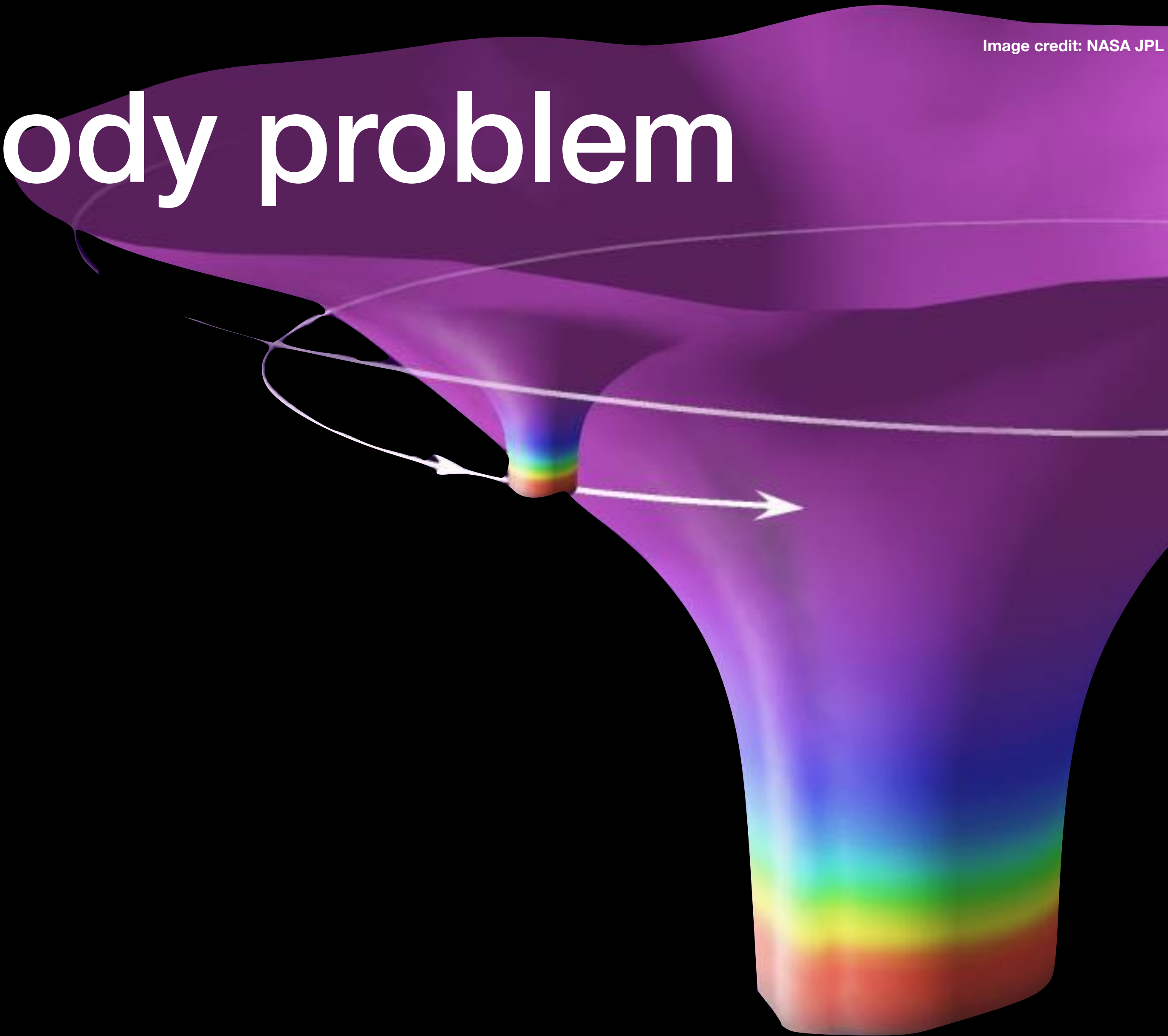
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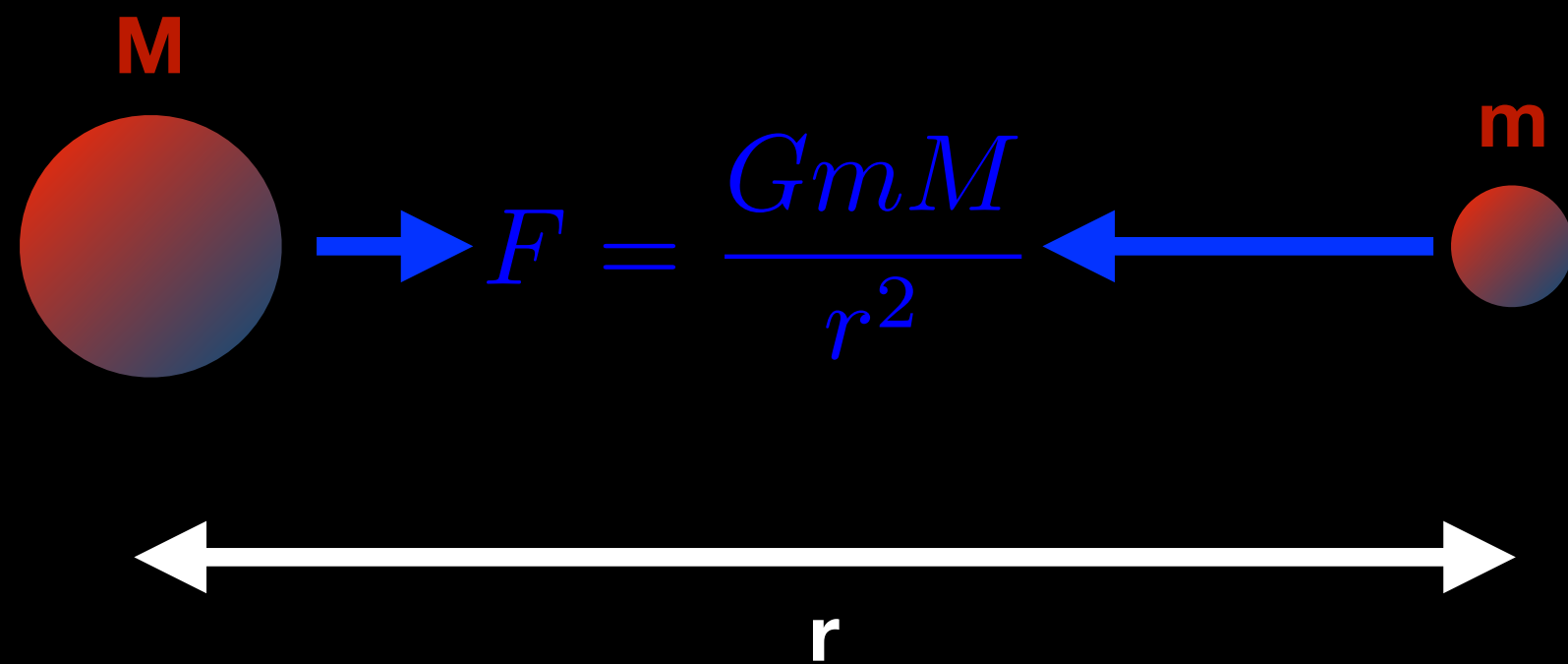
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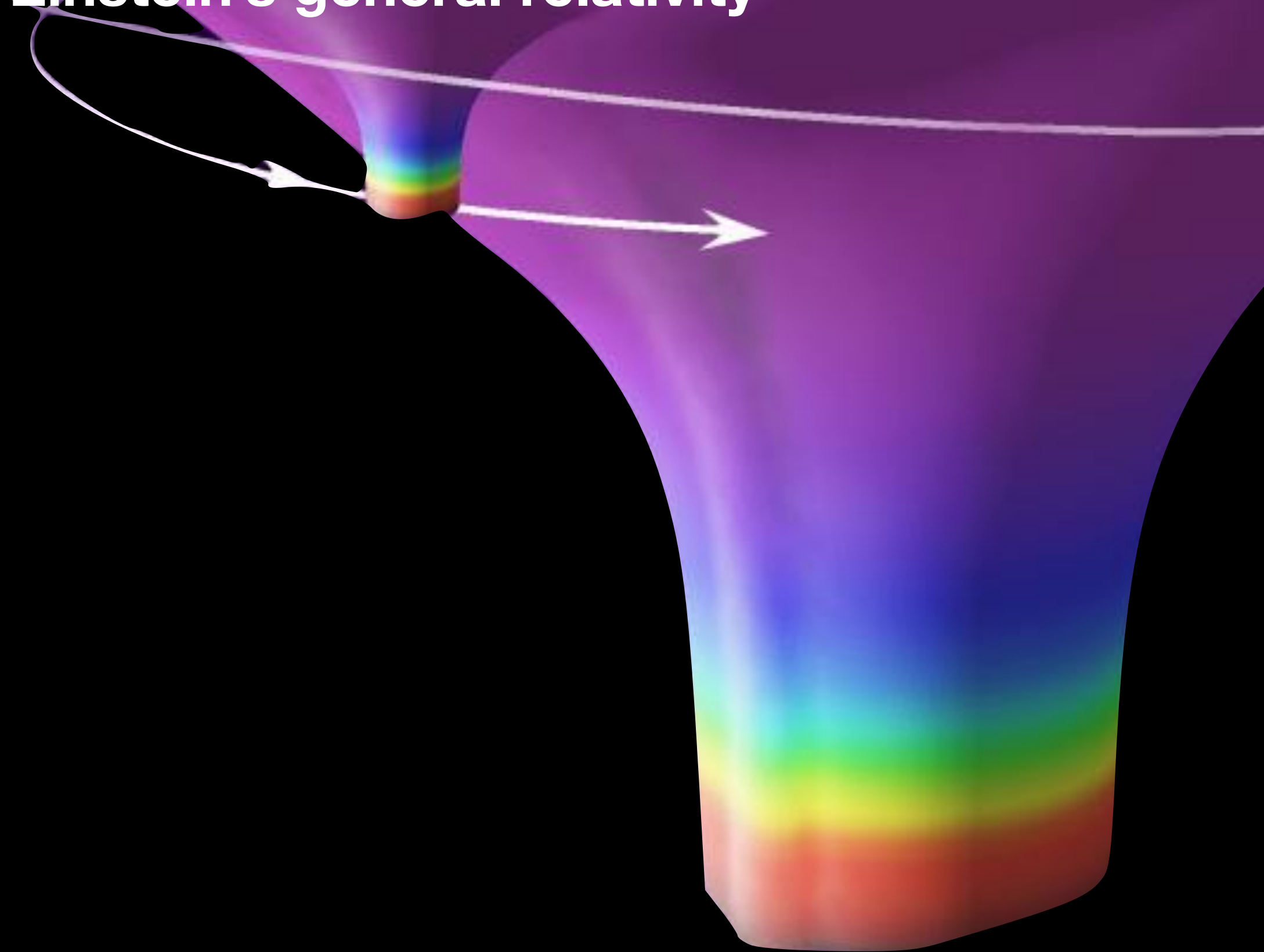
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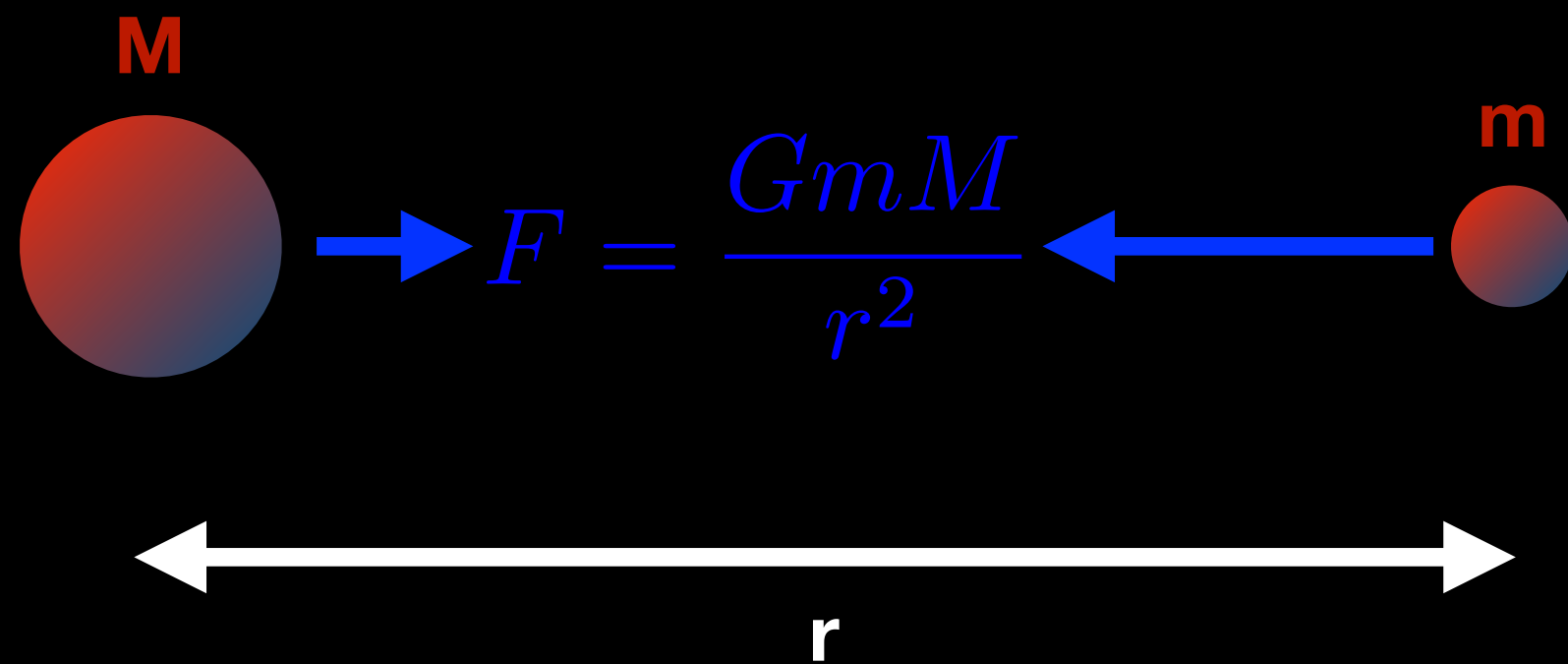
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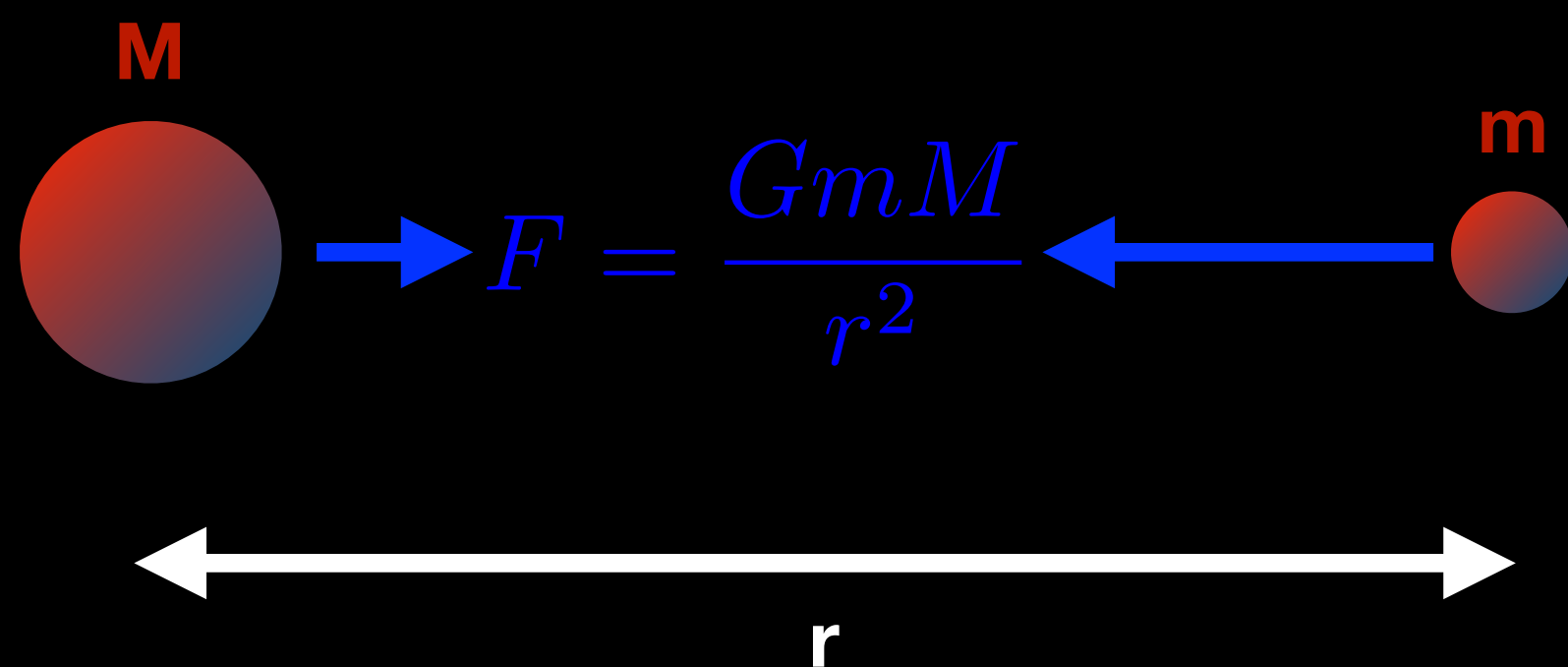
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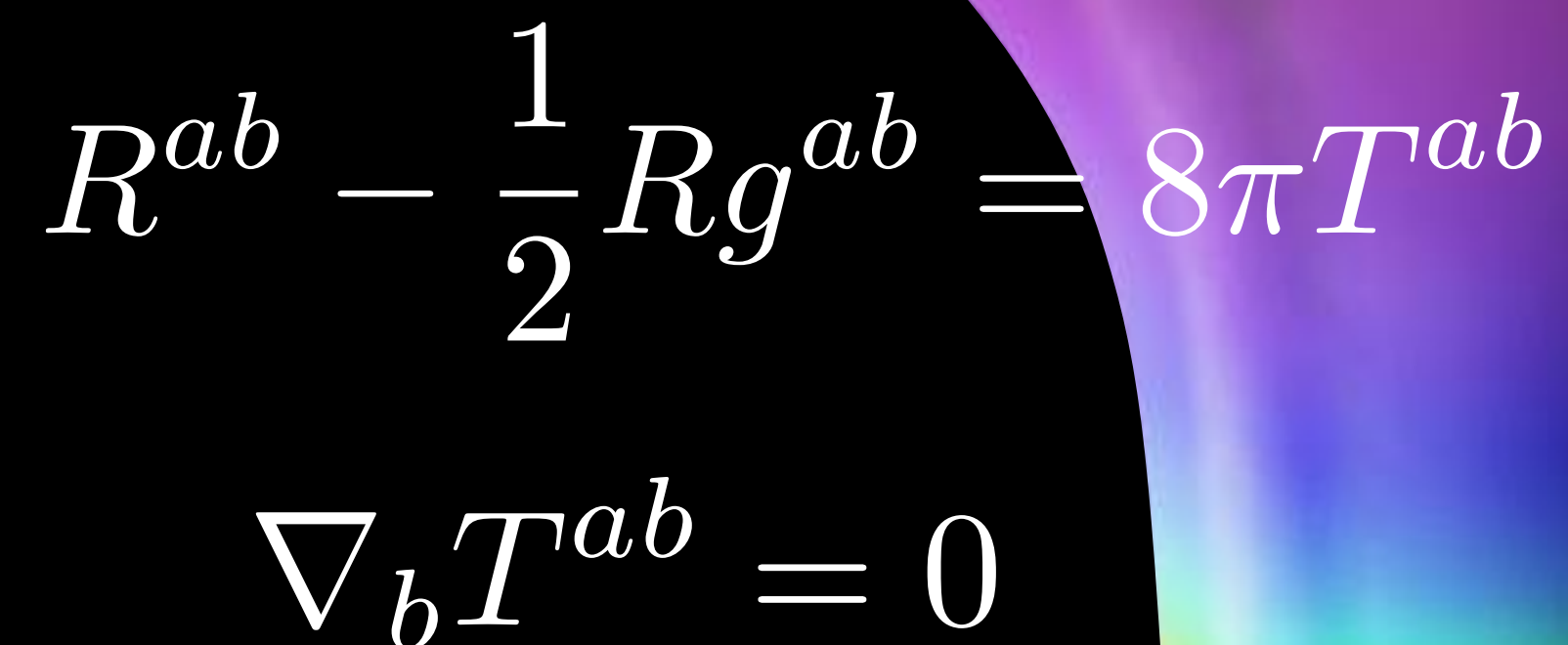


Diagram illustrating Einstein's general relativity. A curved spacetime well is shown, with a particle orbiting a central mass. The equations of general relativity are displayed:

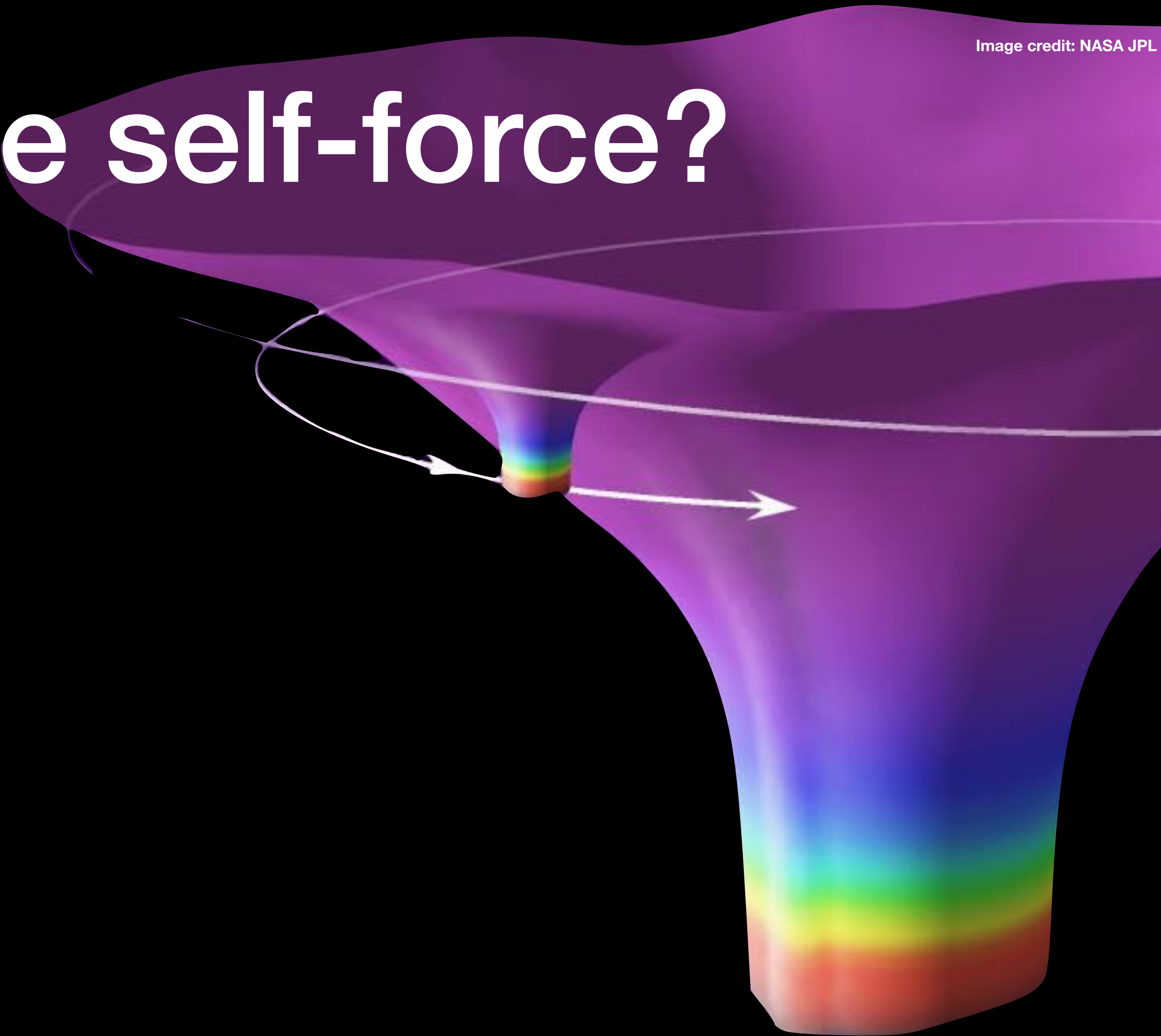
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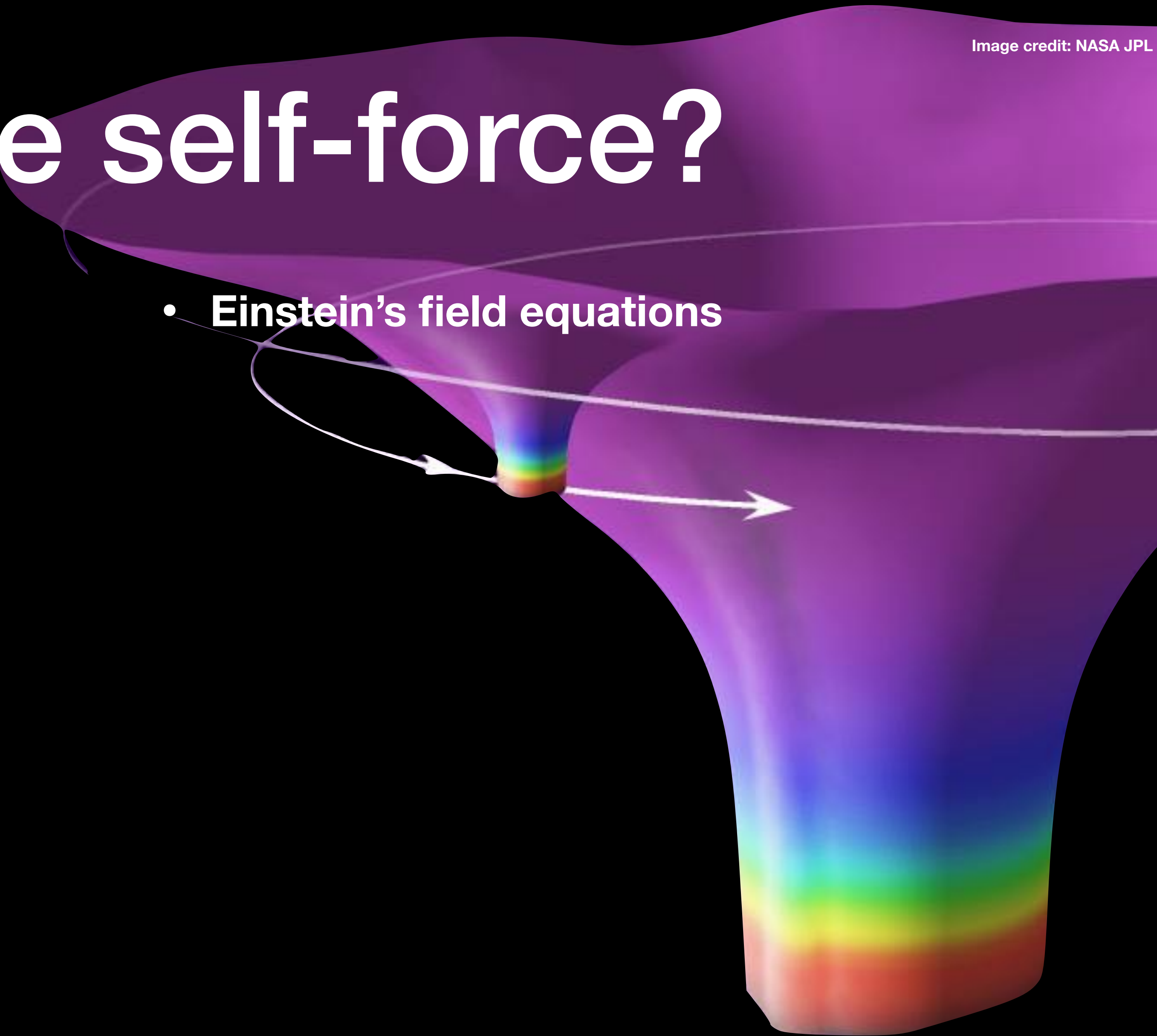




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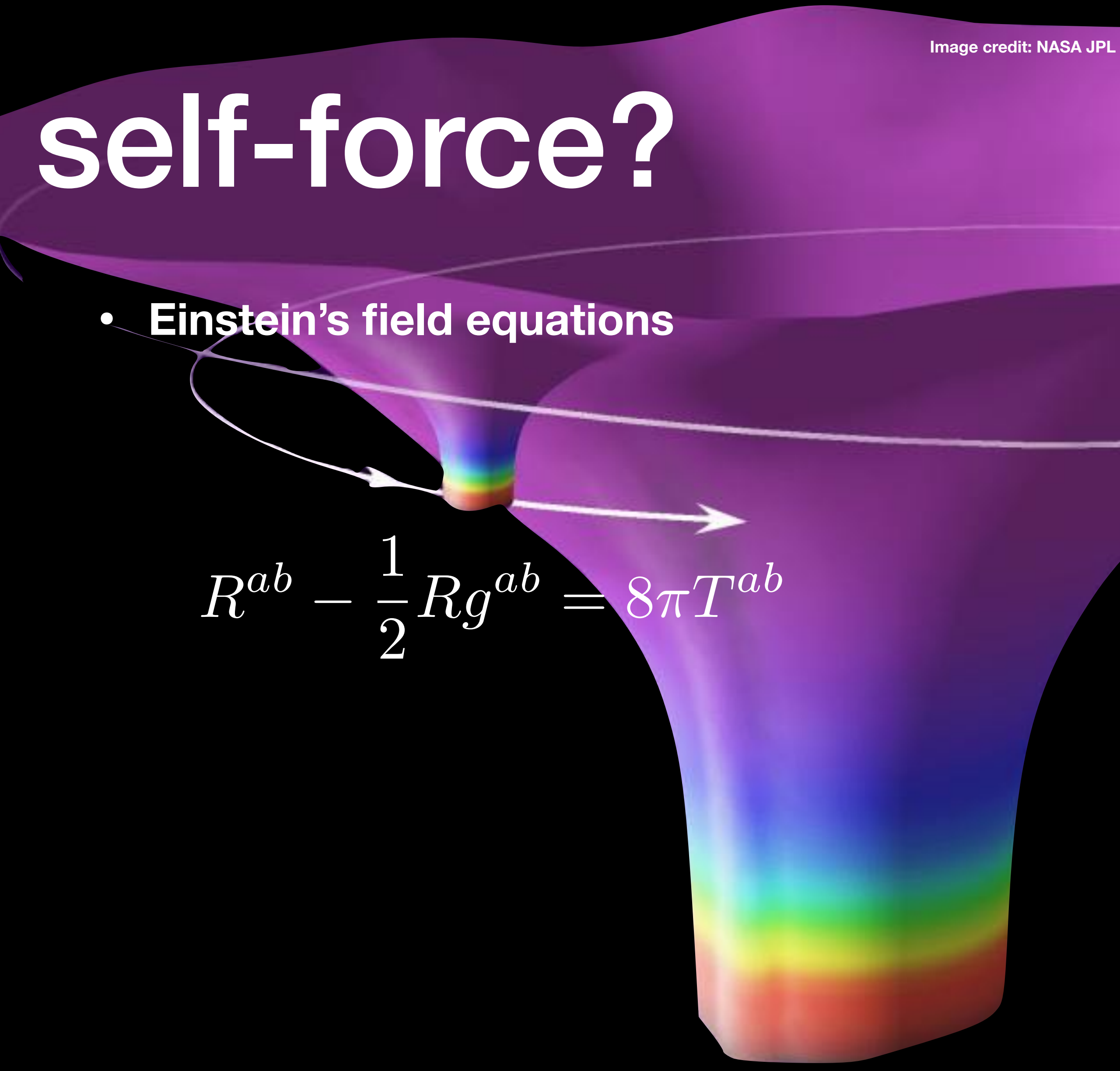

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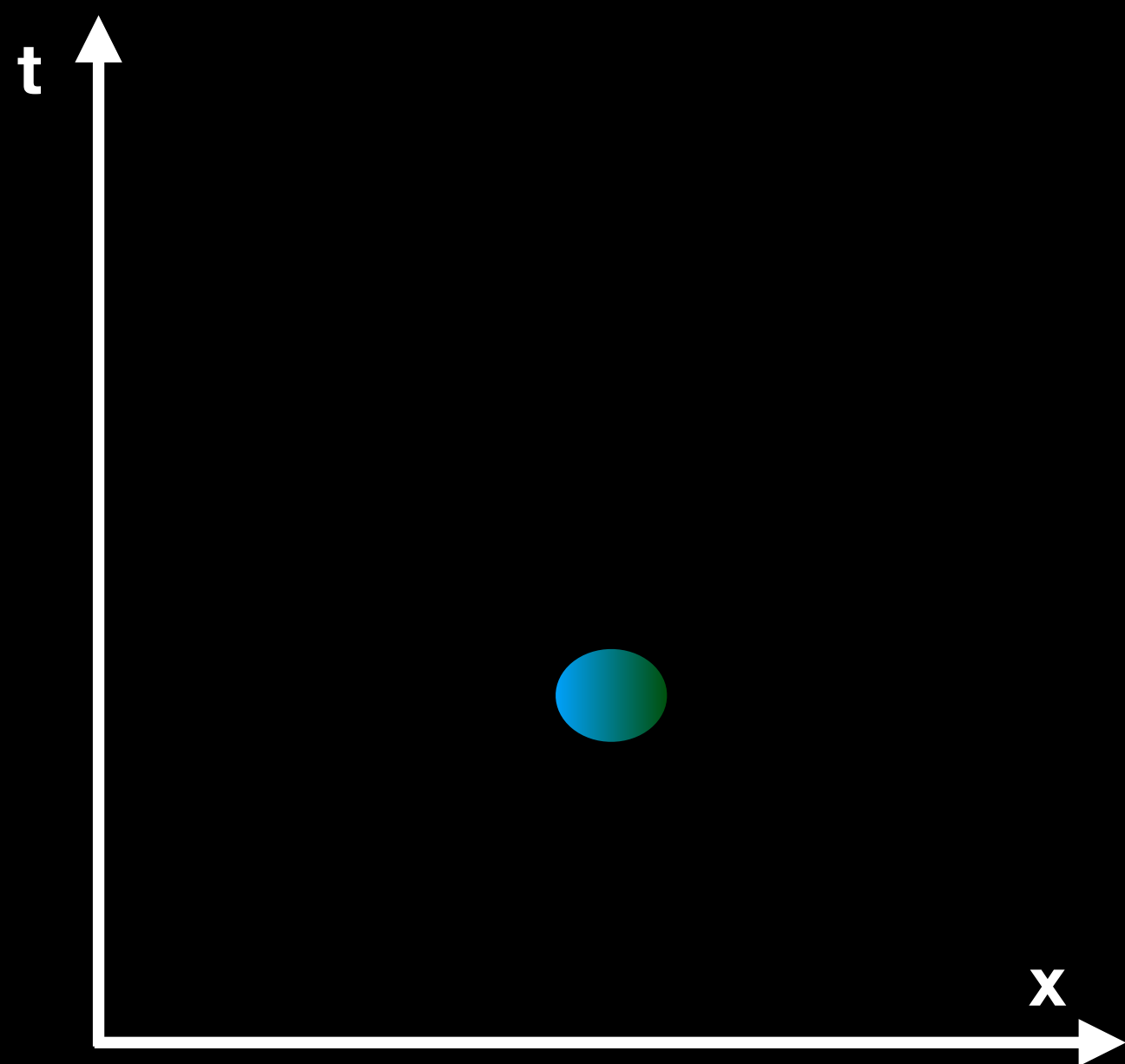

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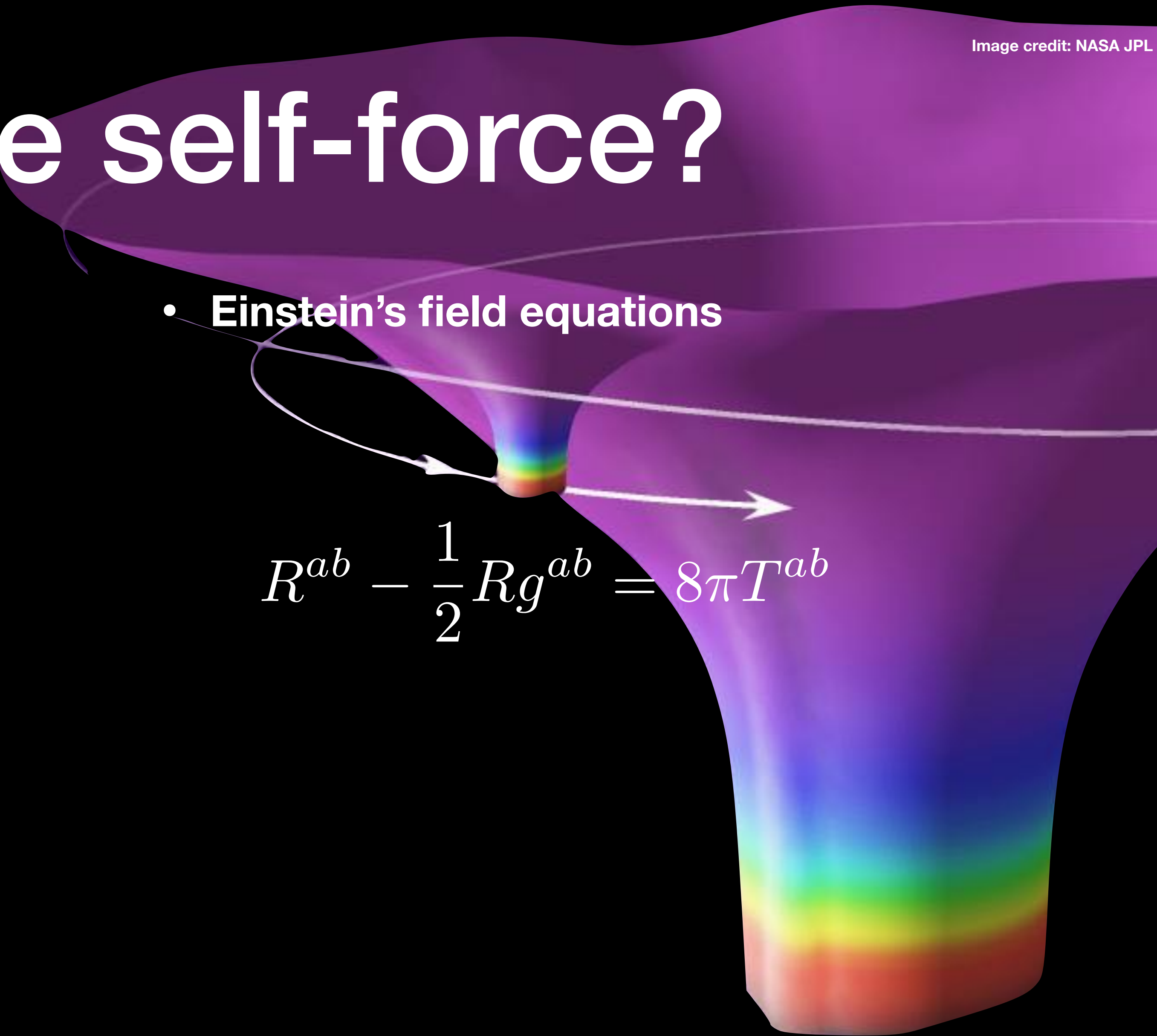
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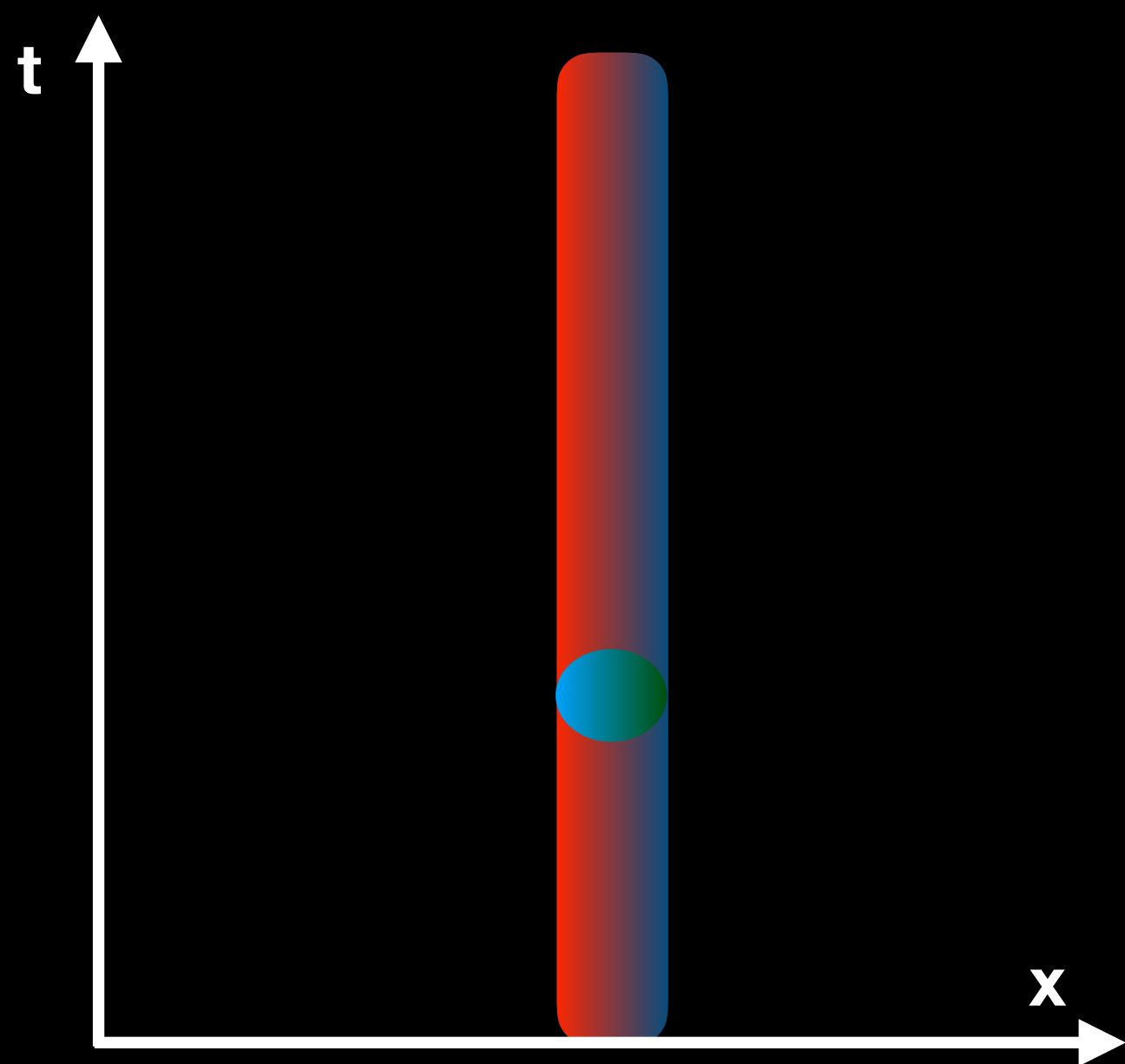




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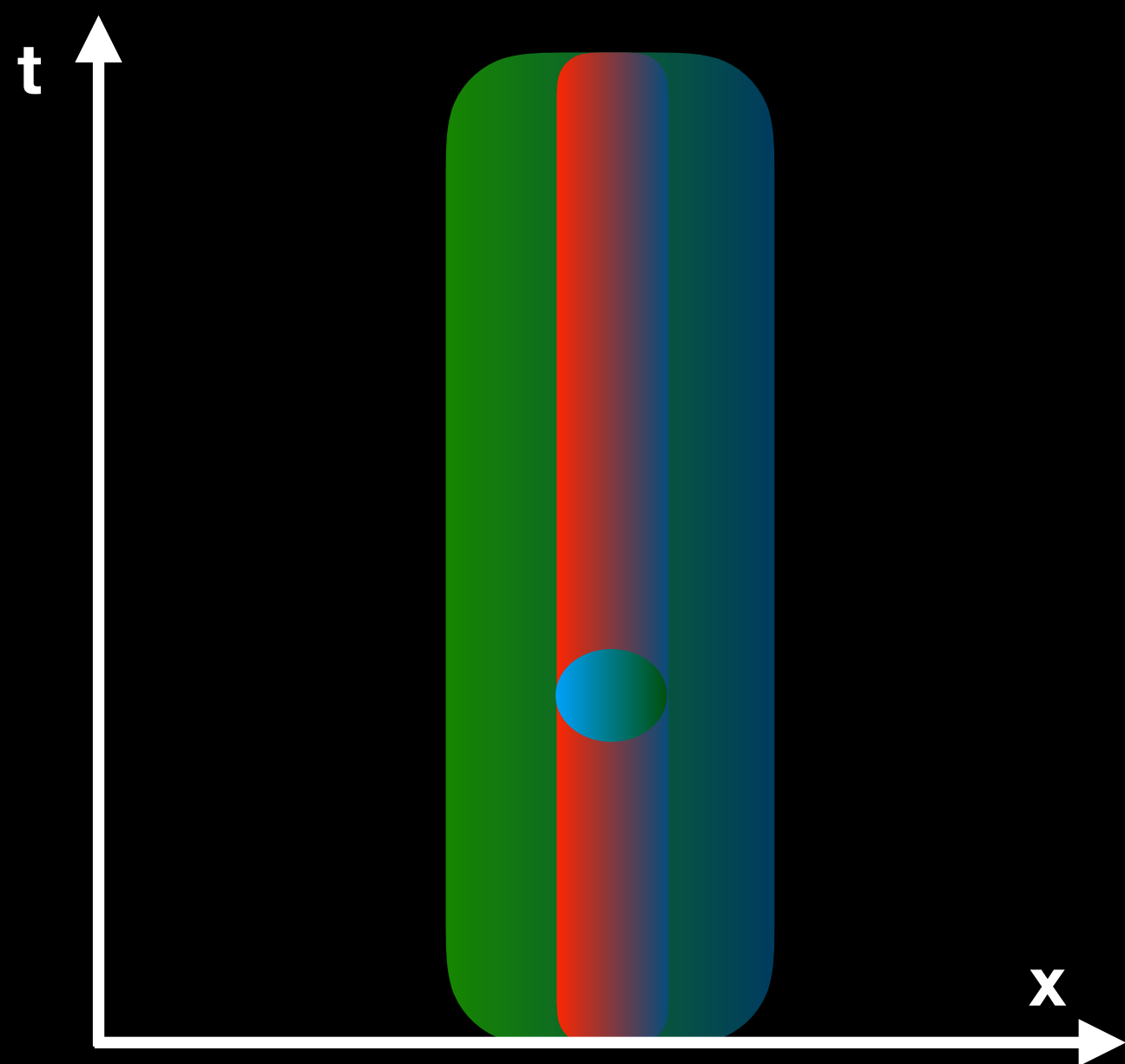
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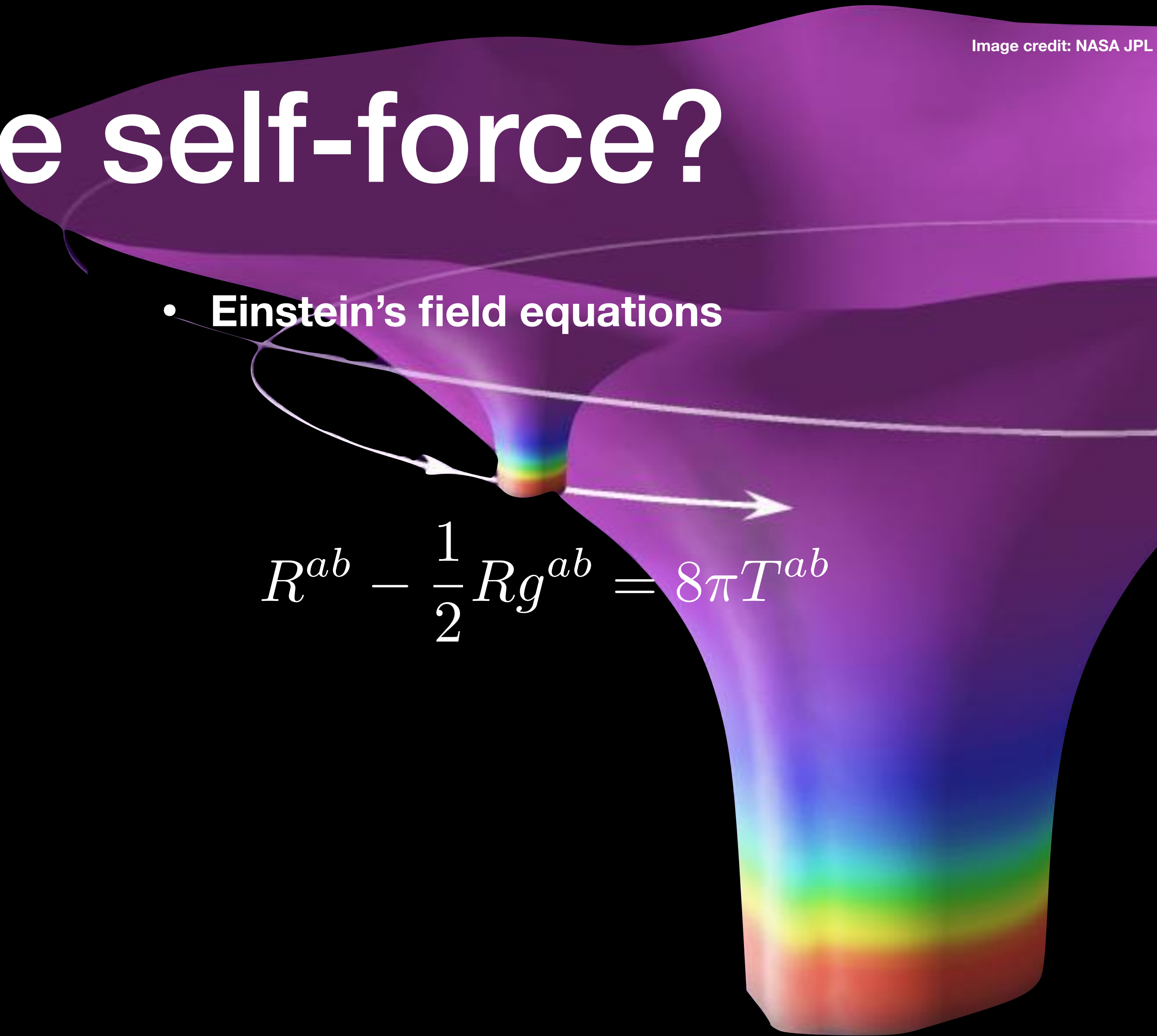
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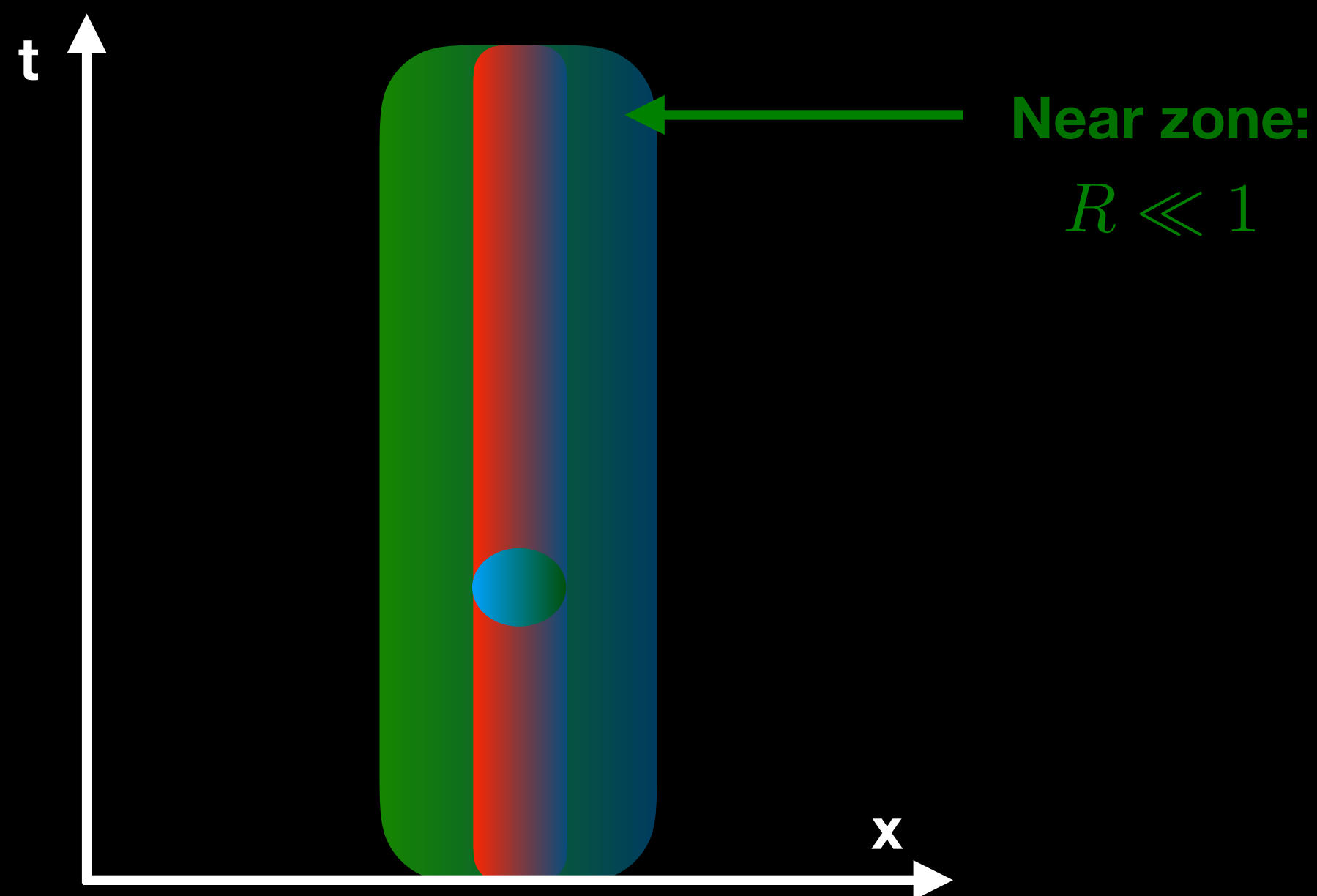
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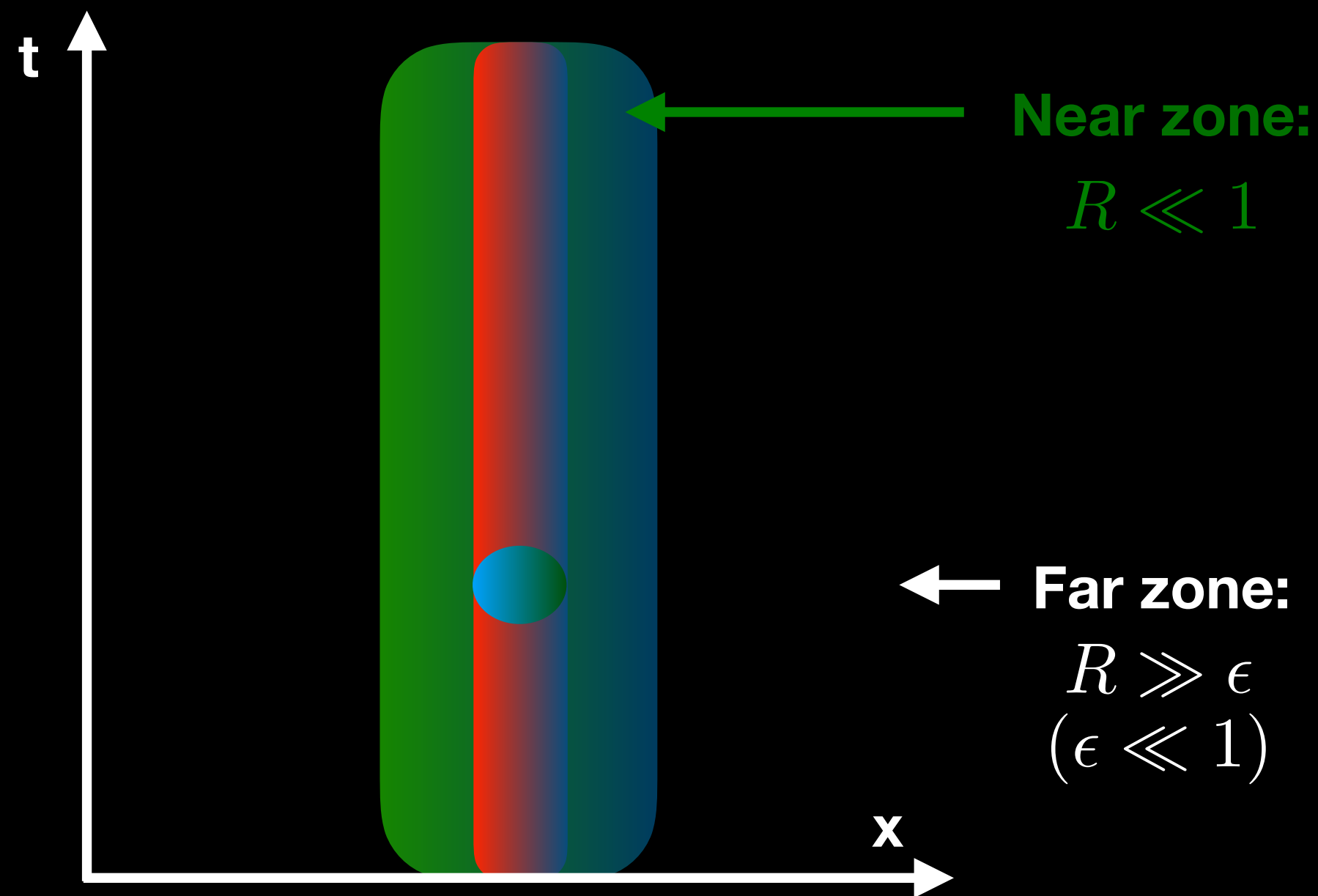


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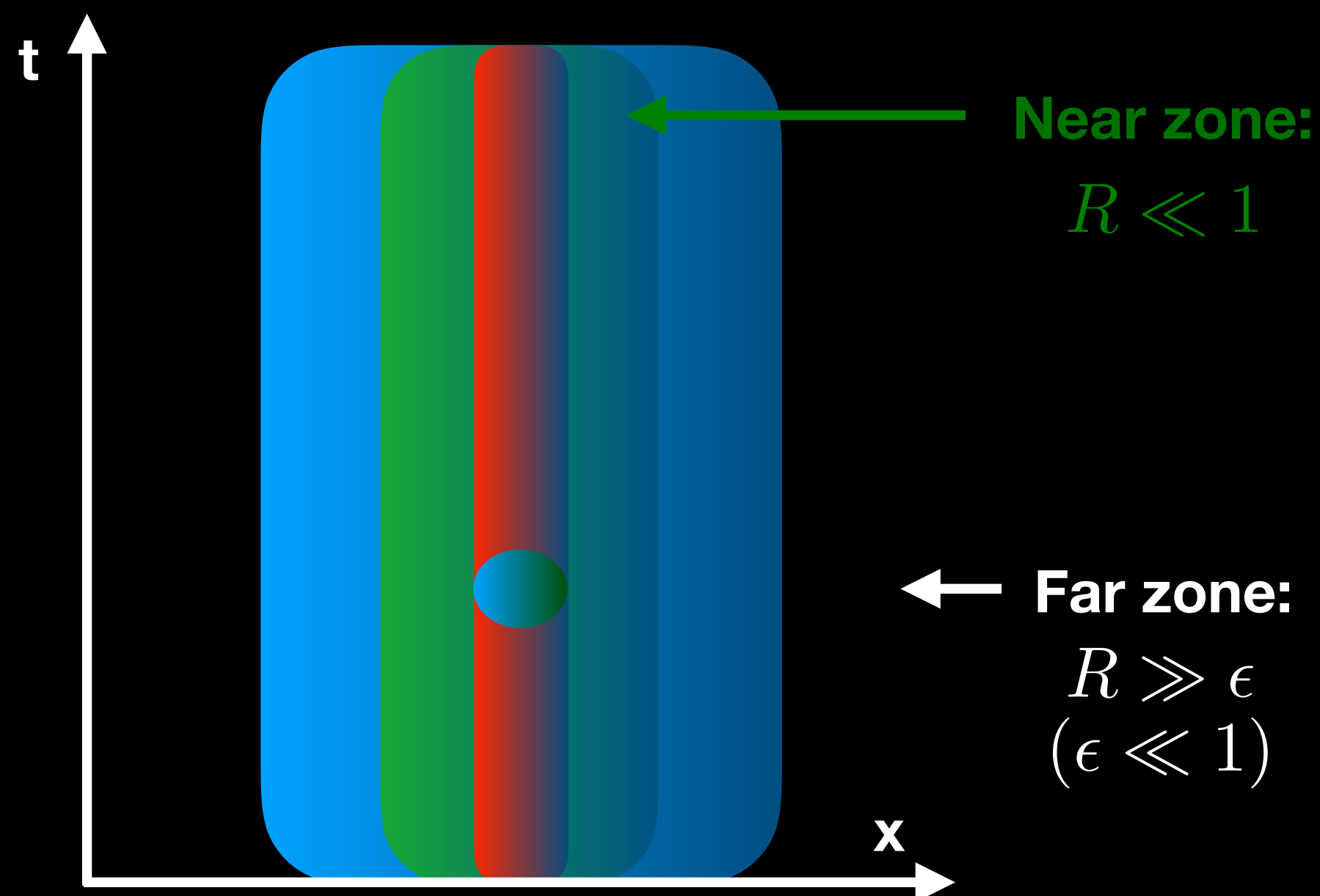


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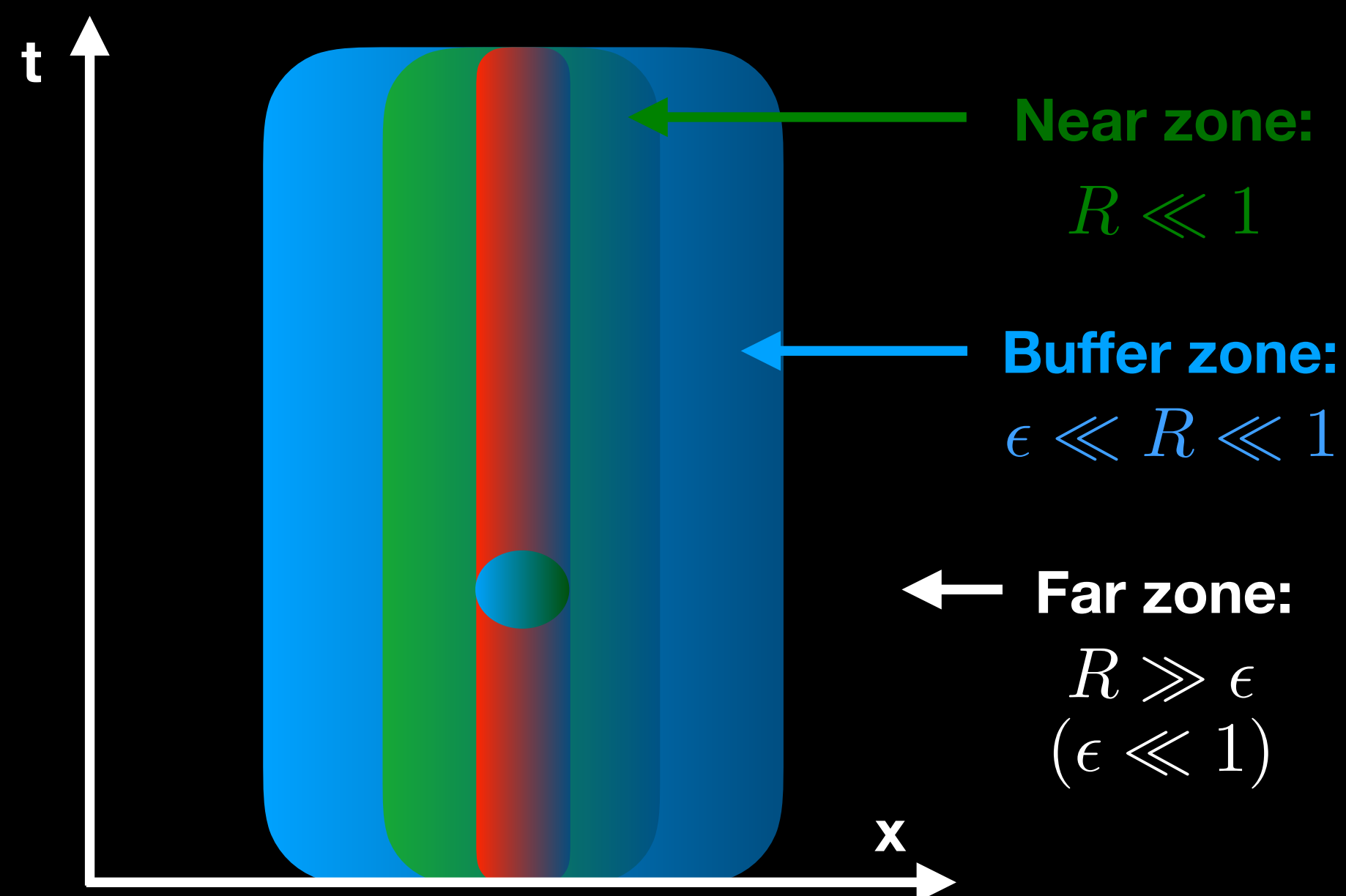


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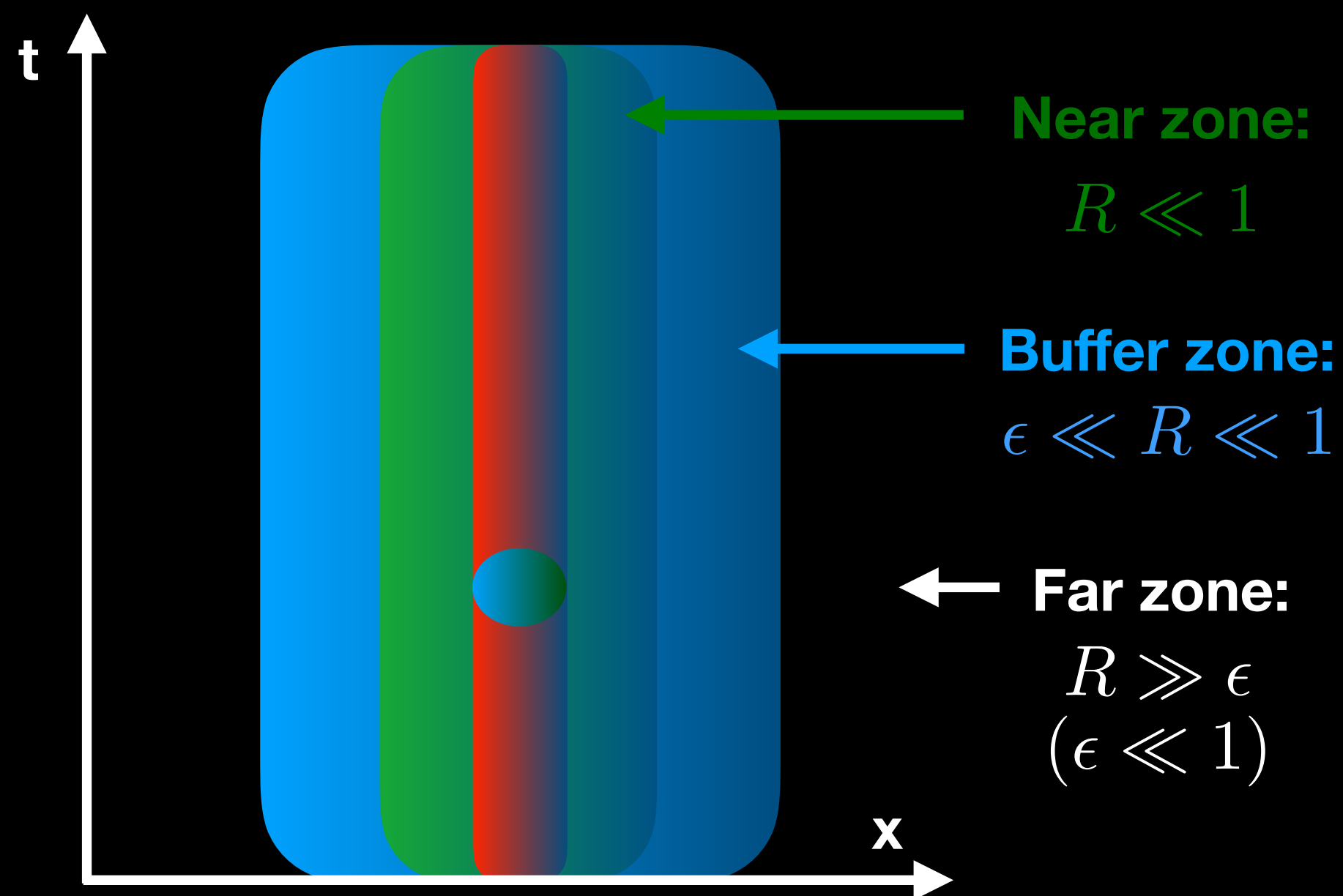


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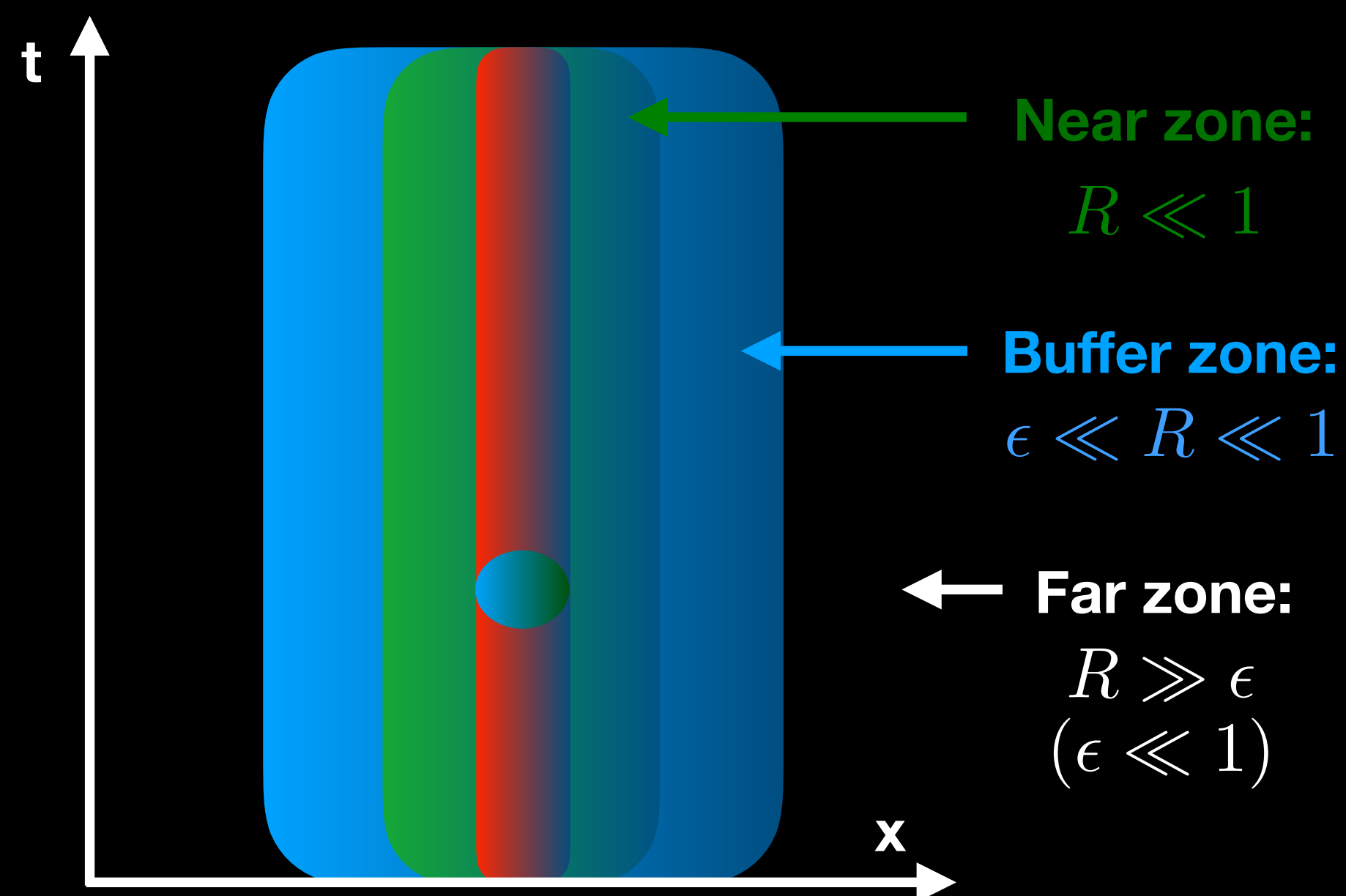
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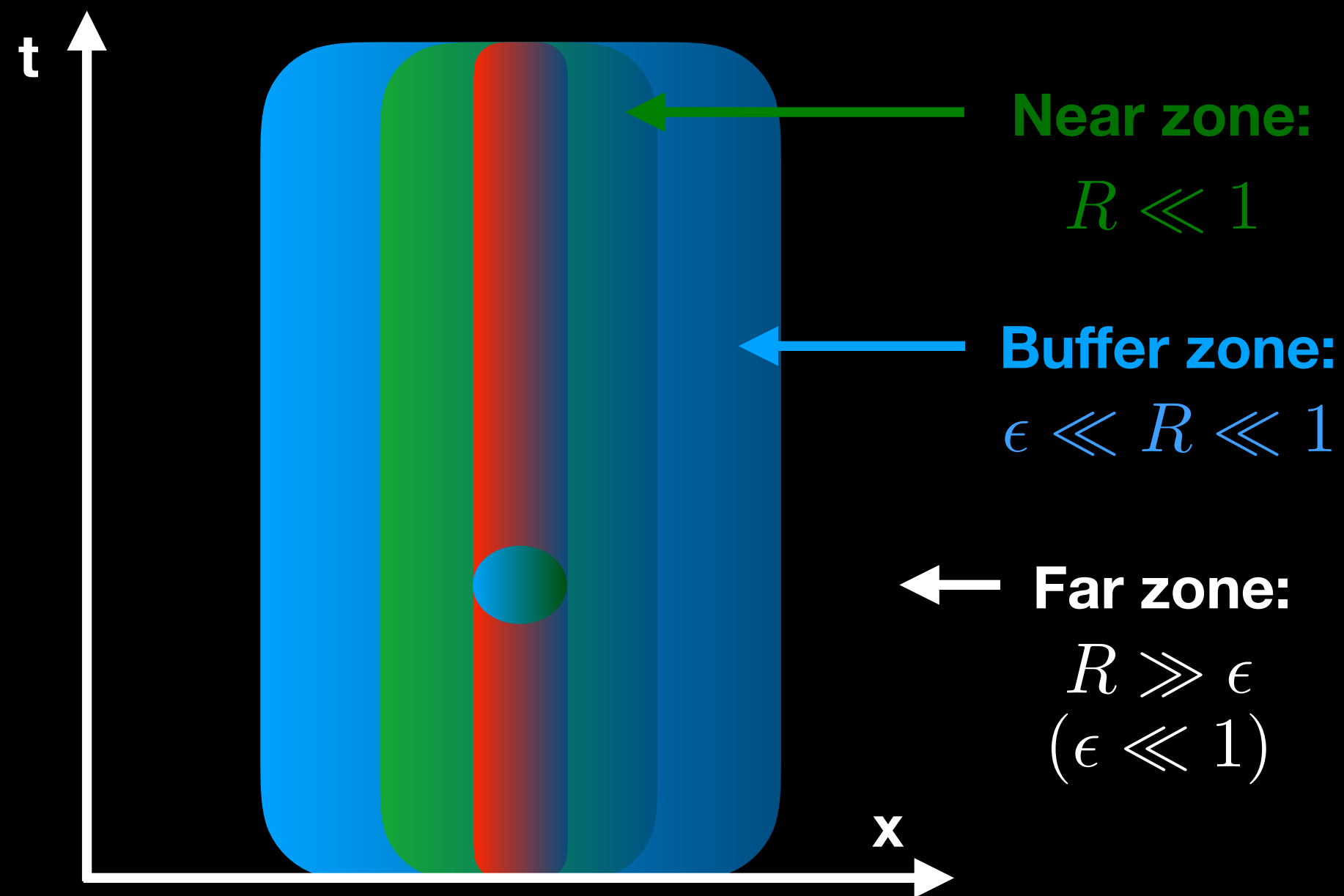
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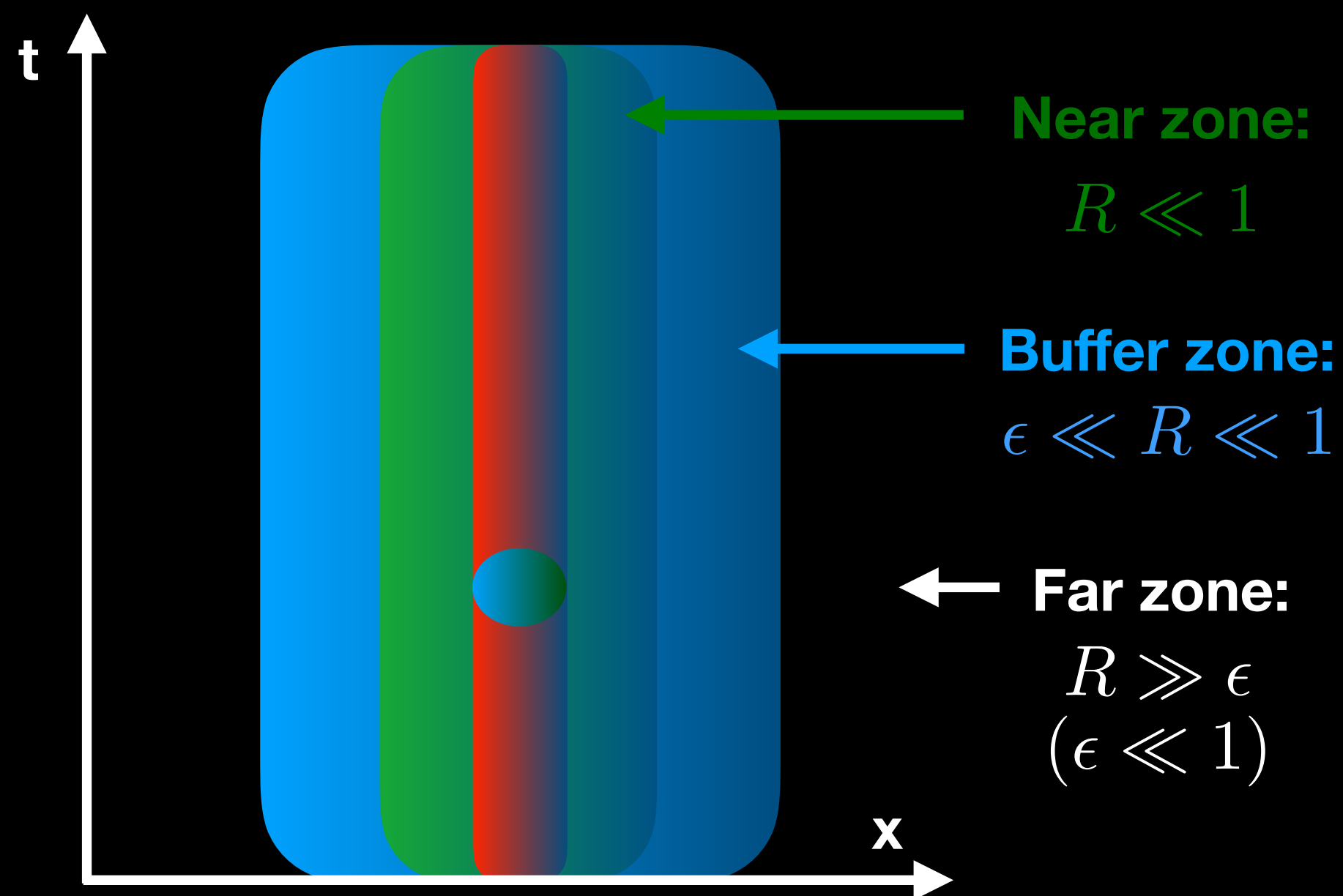
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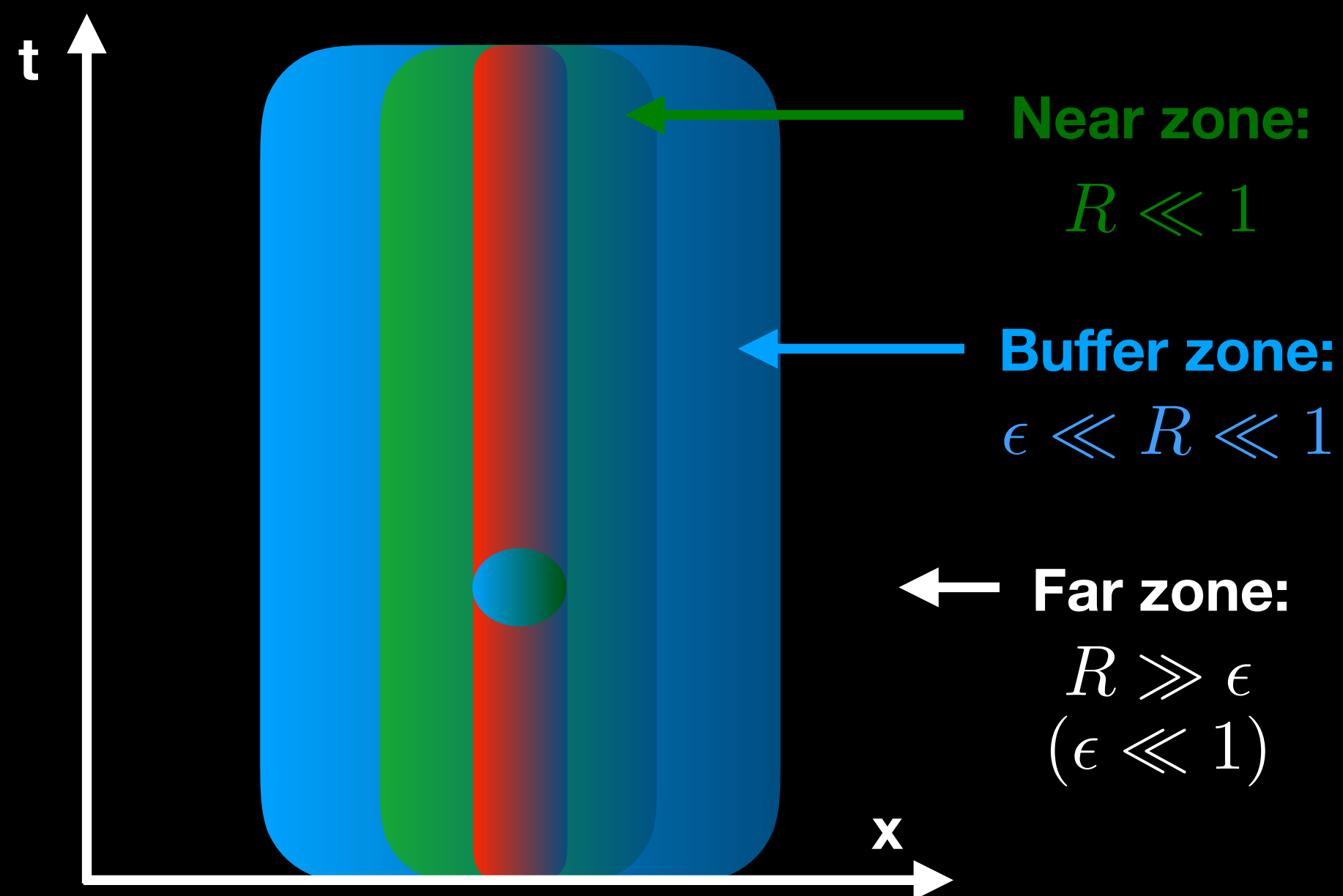
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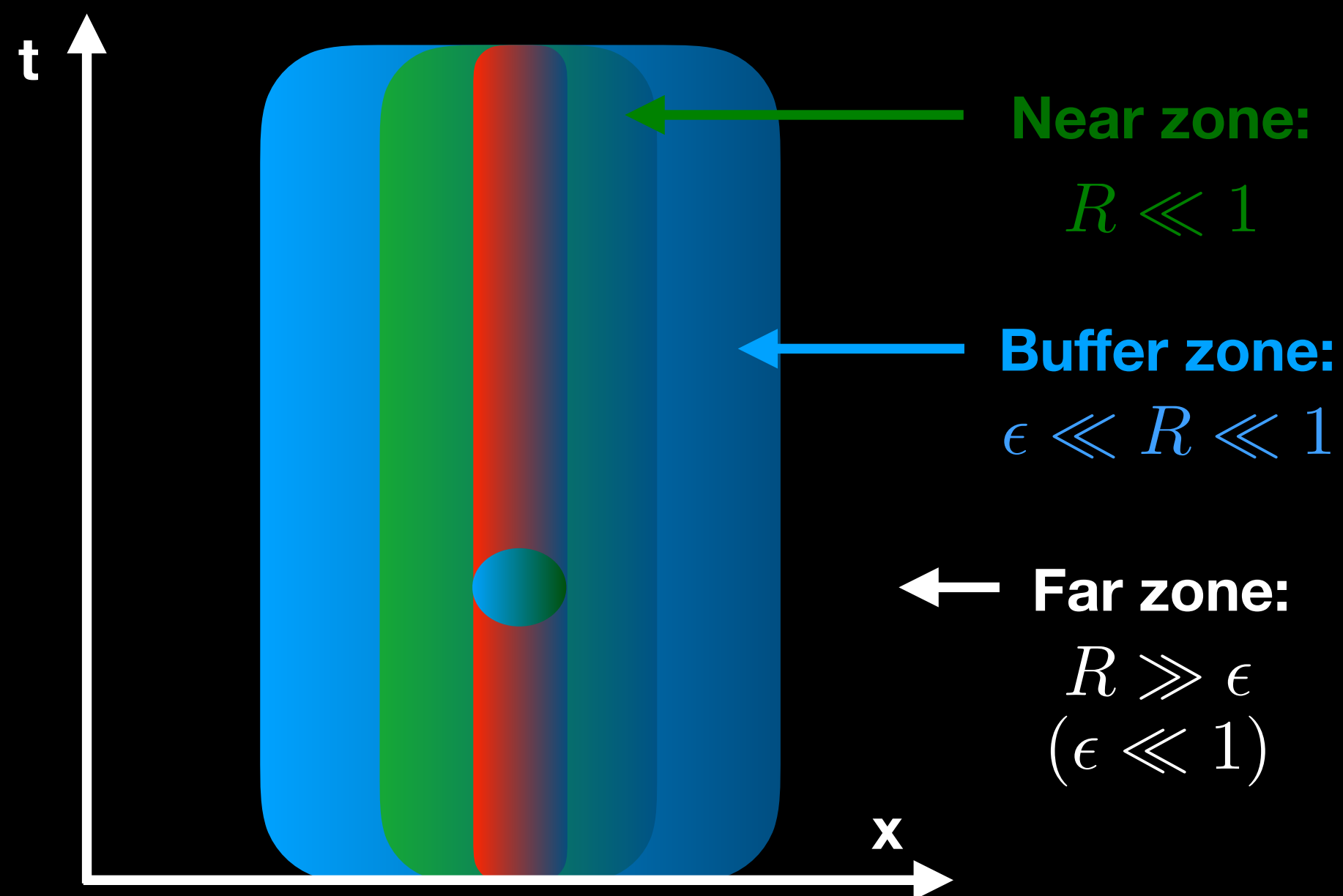
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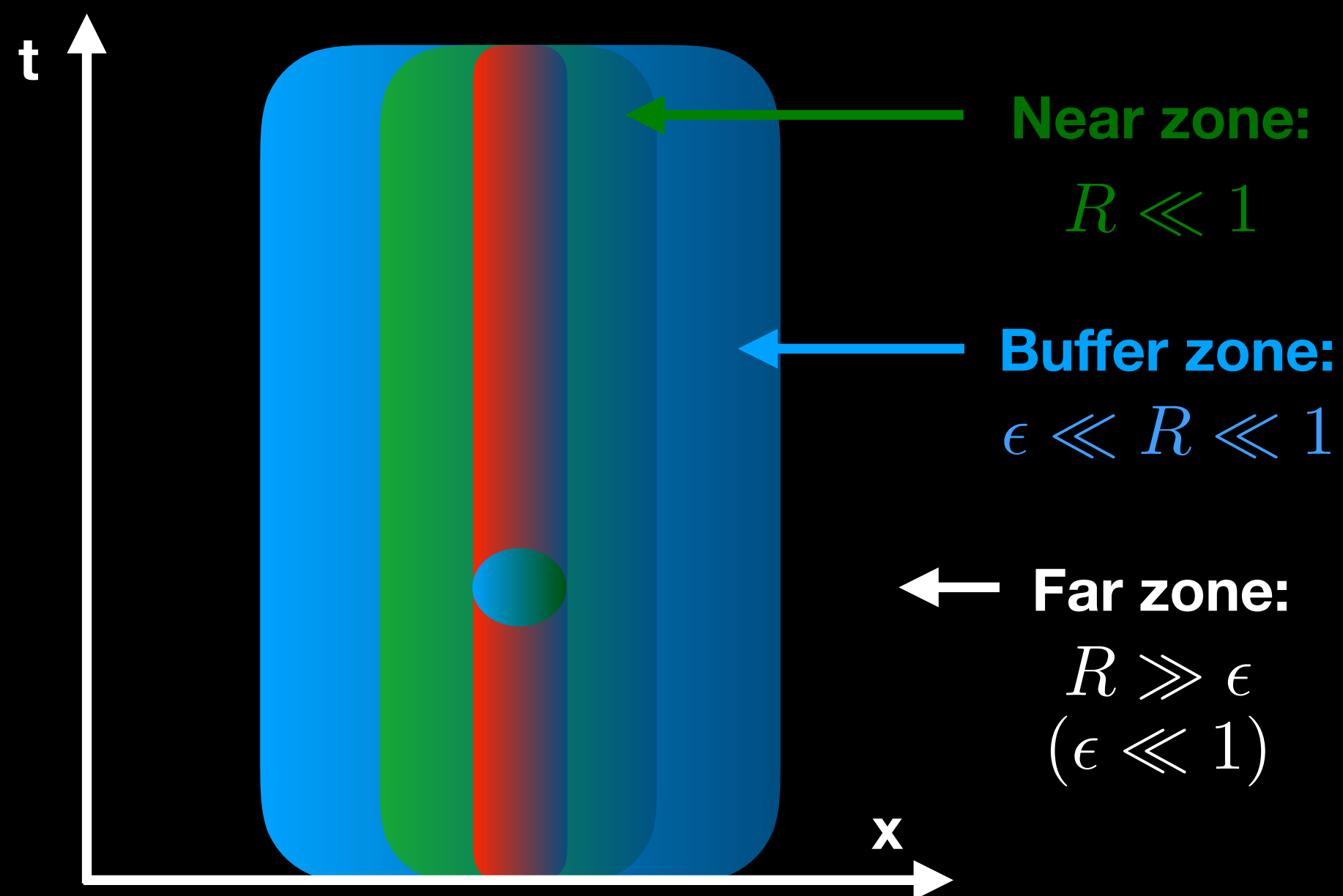
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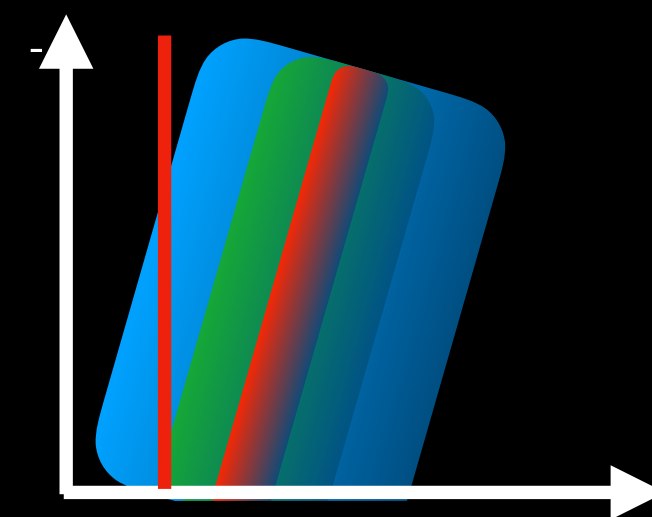
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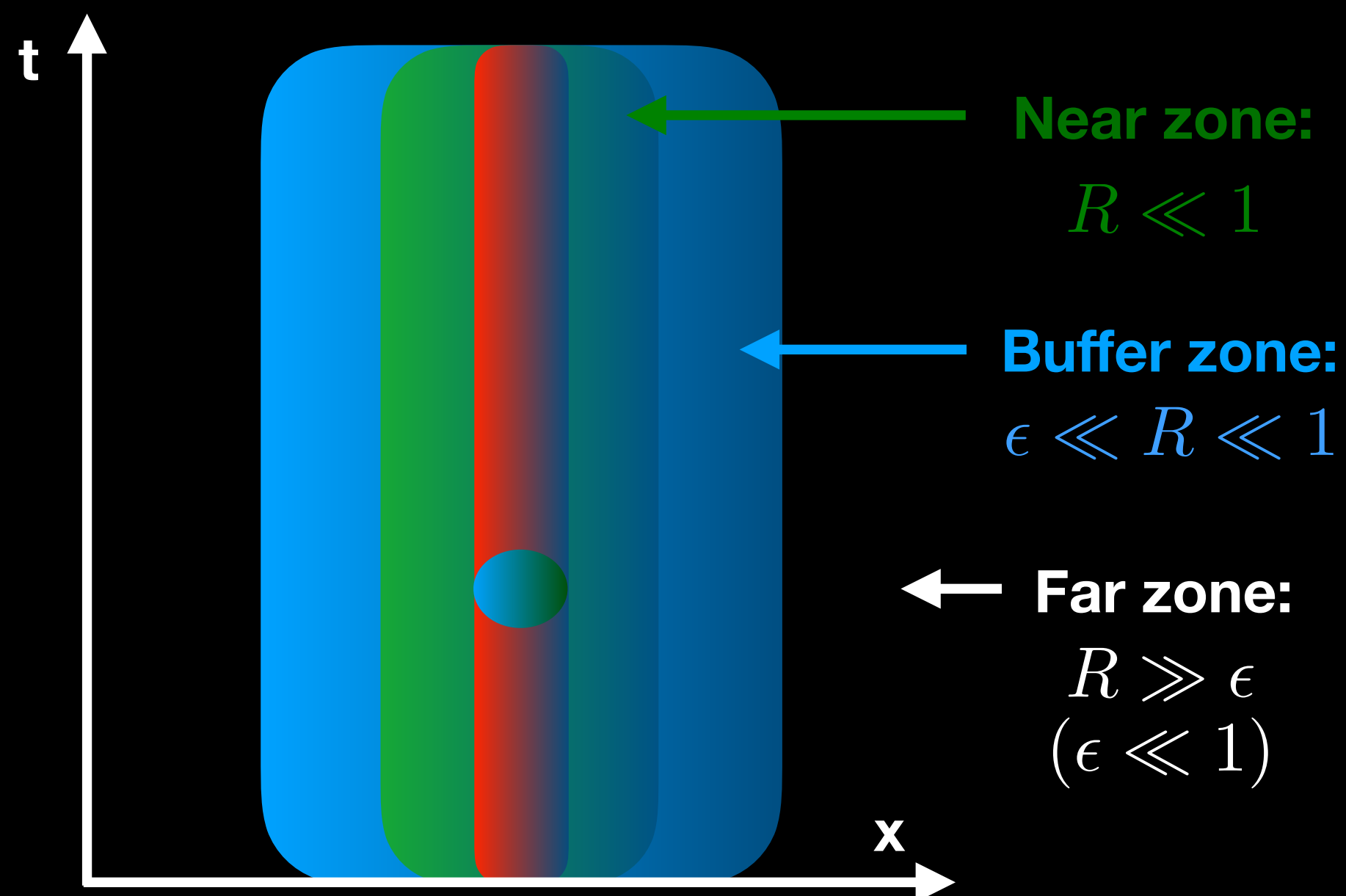
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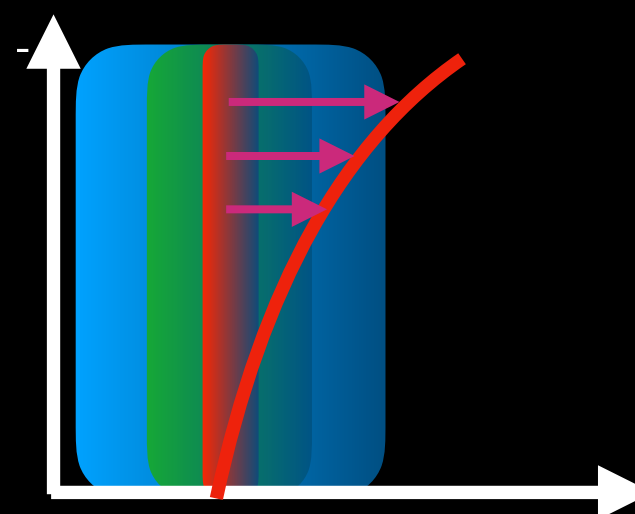
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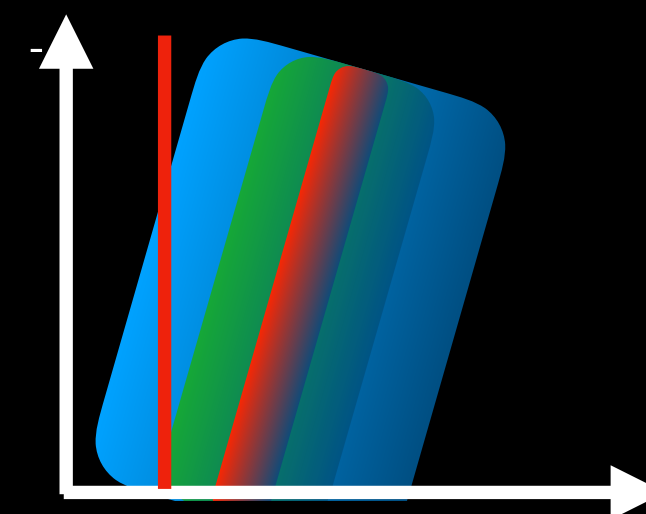
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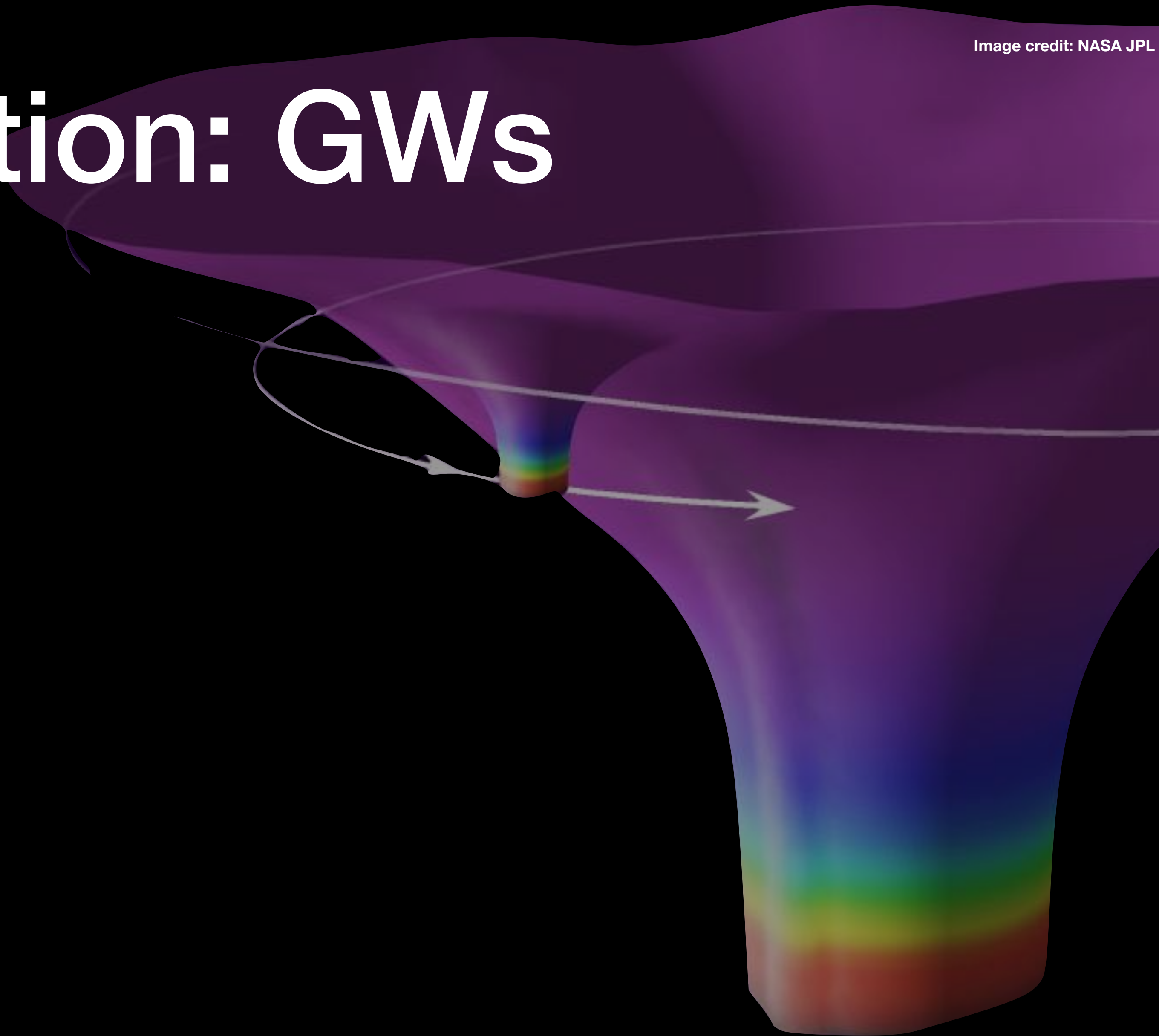
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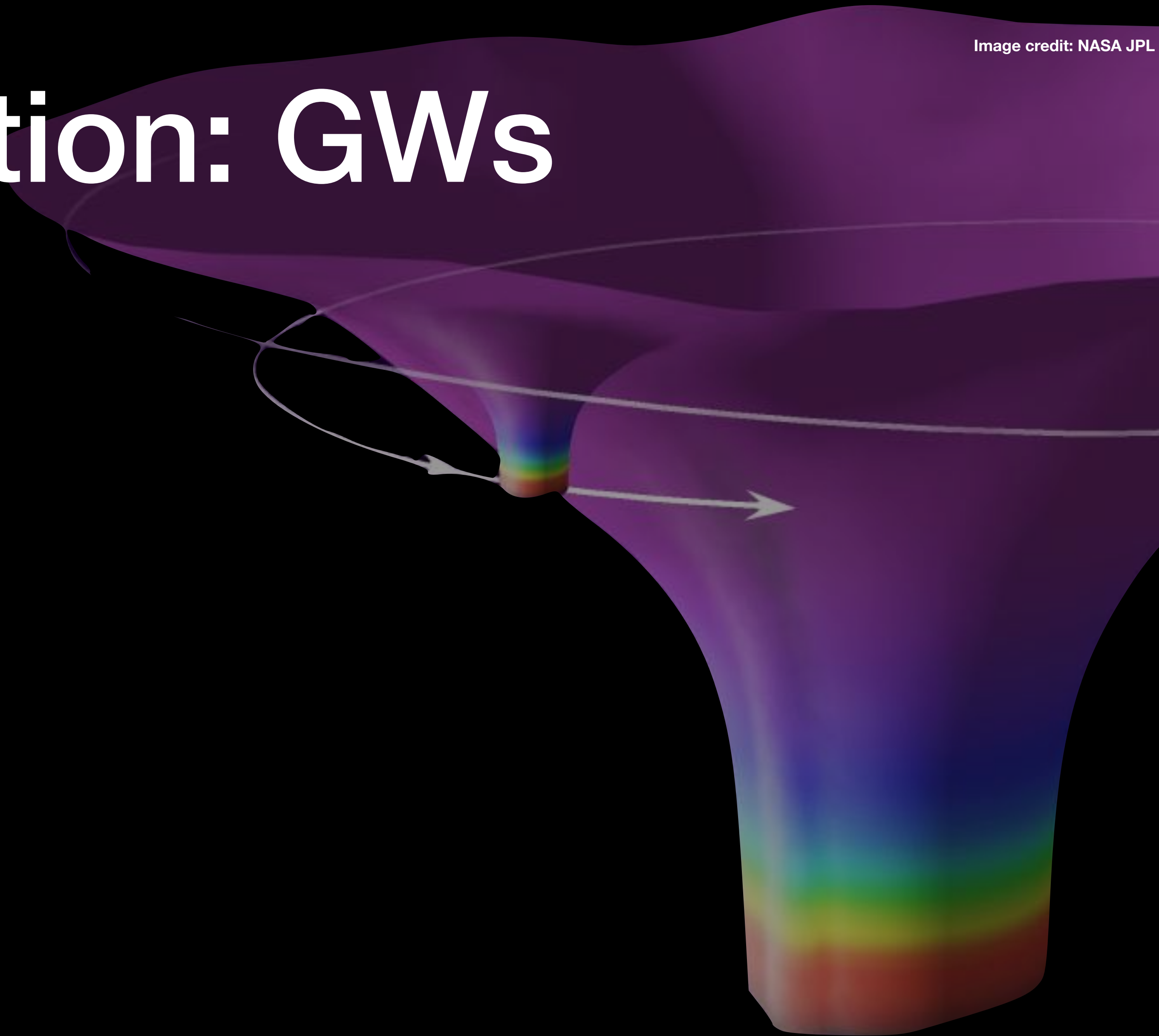




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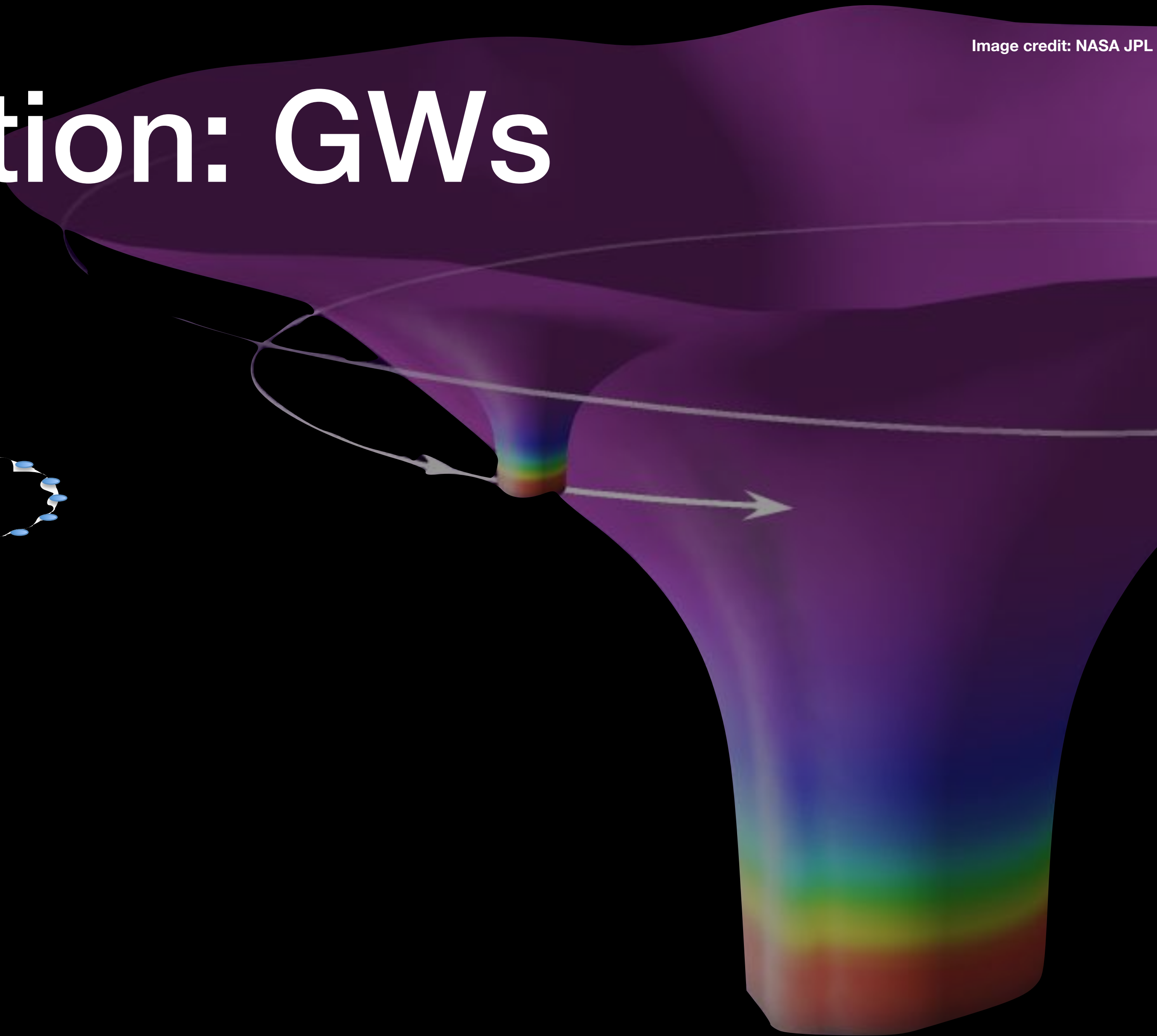
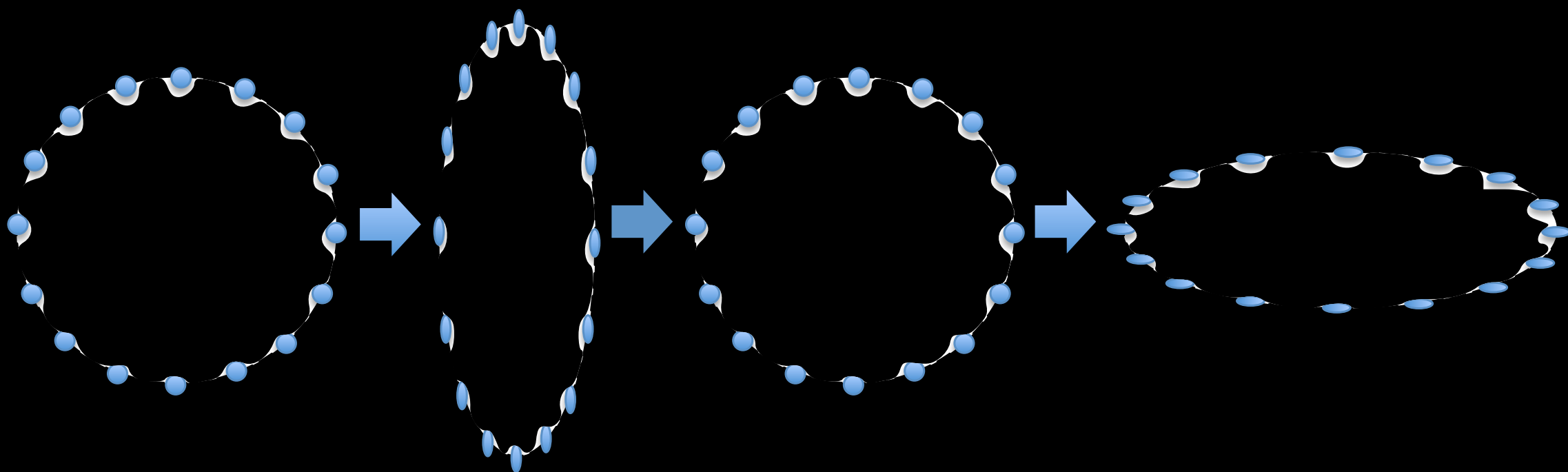
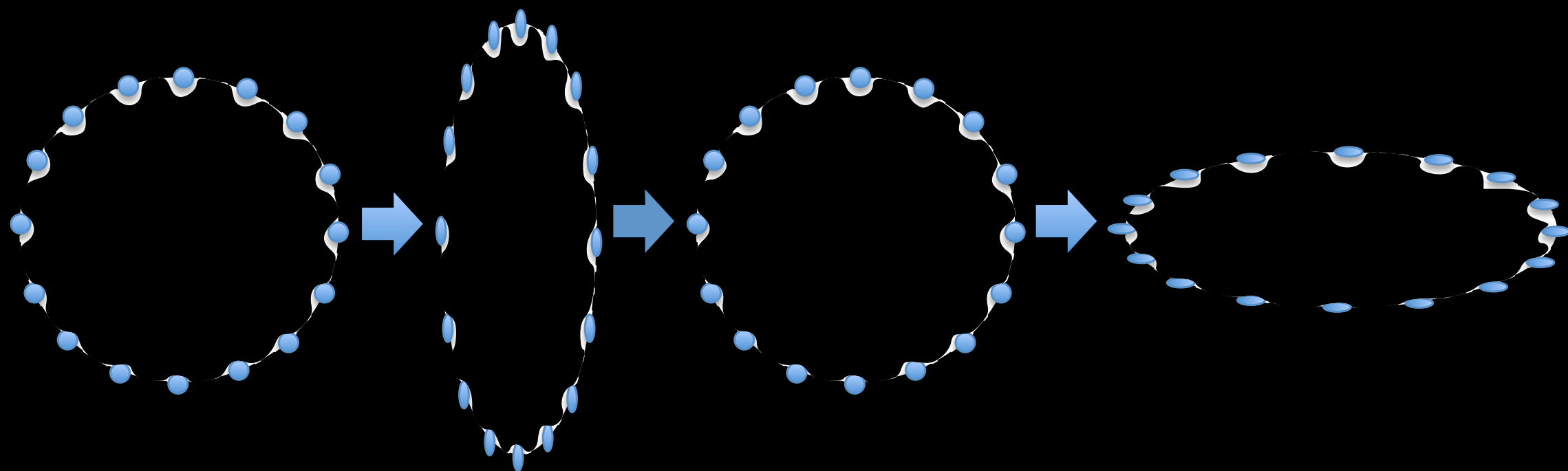




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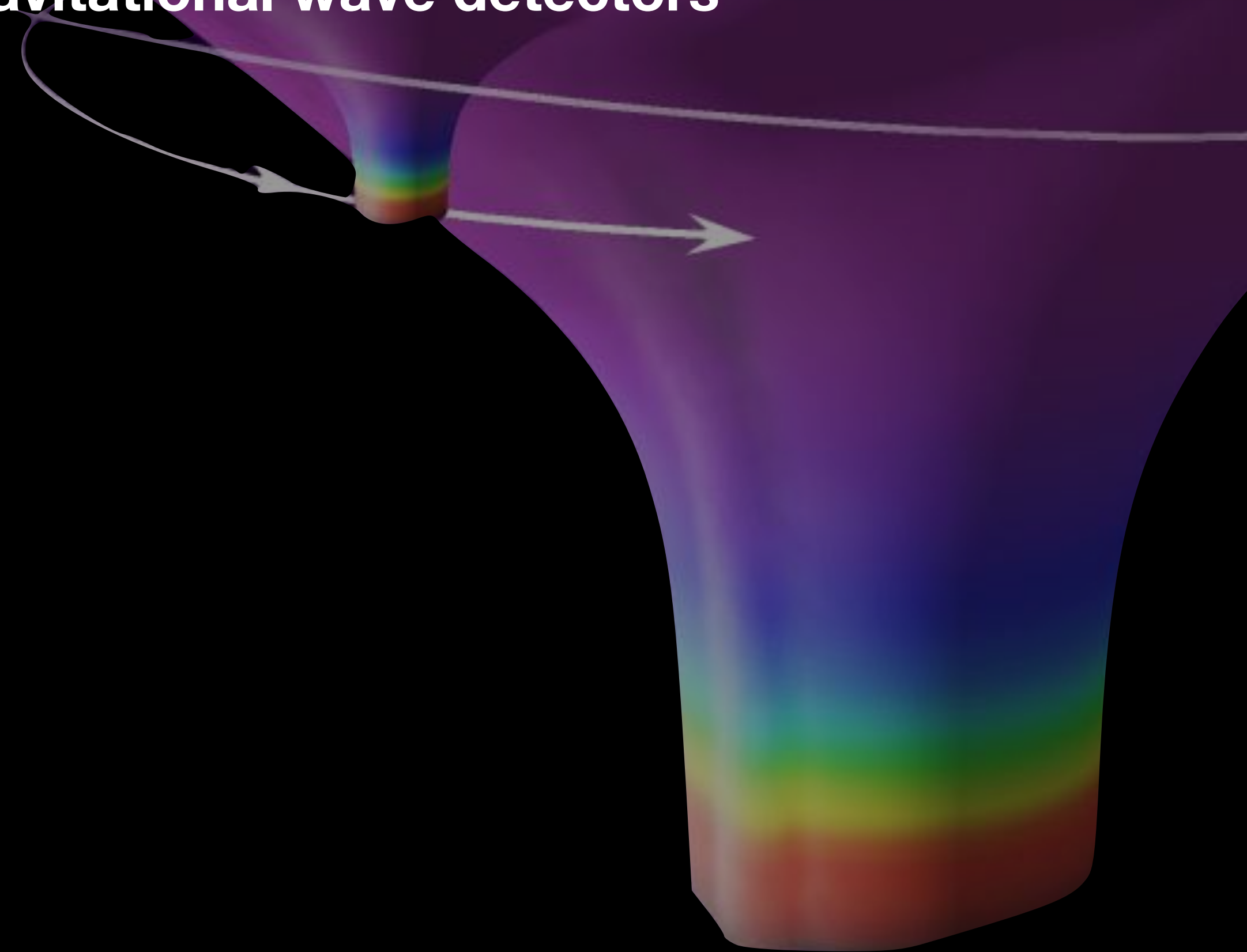
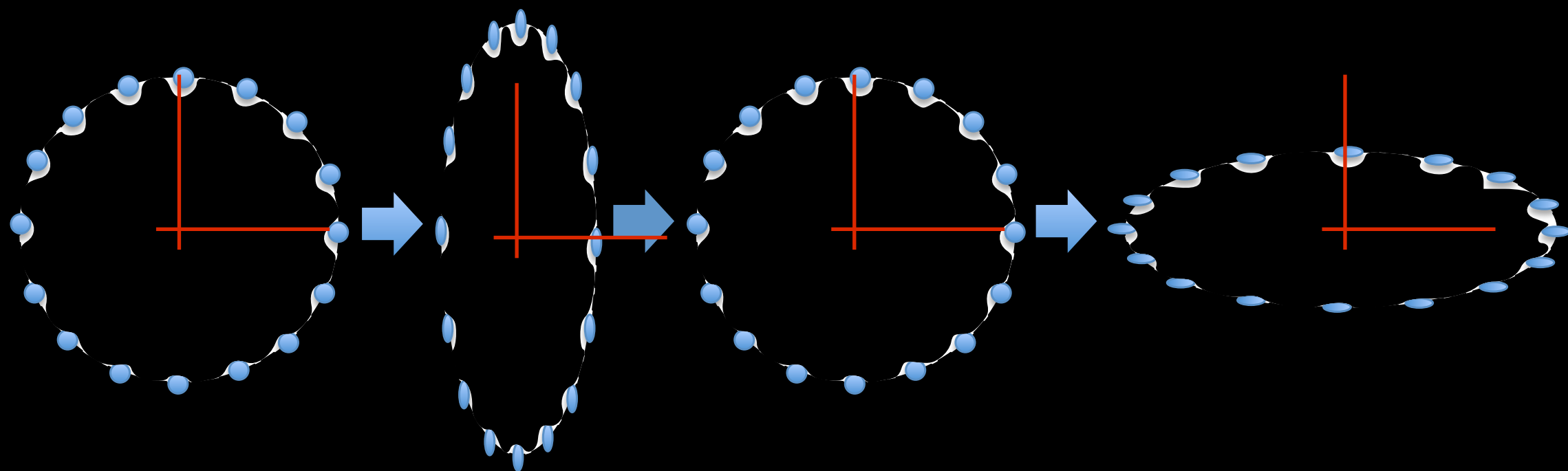




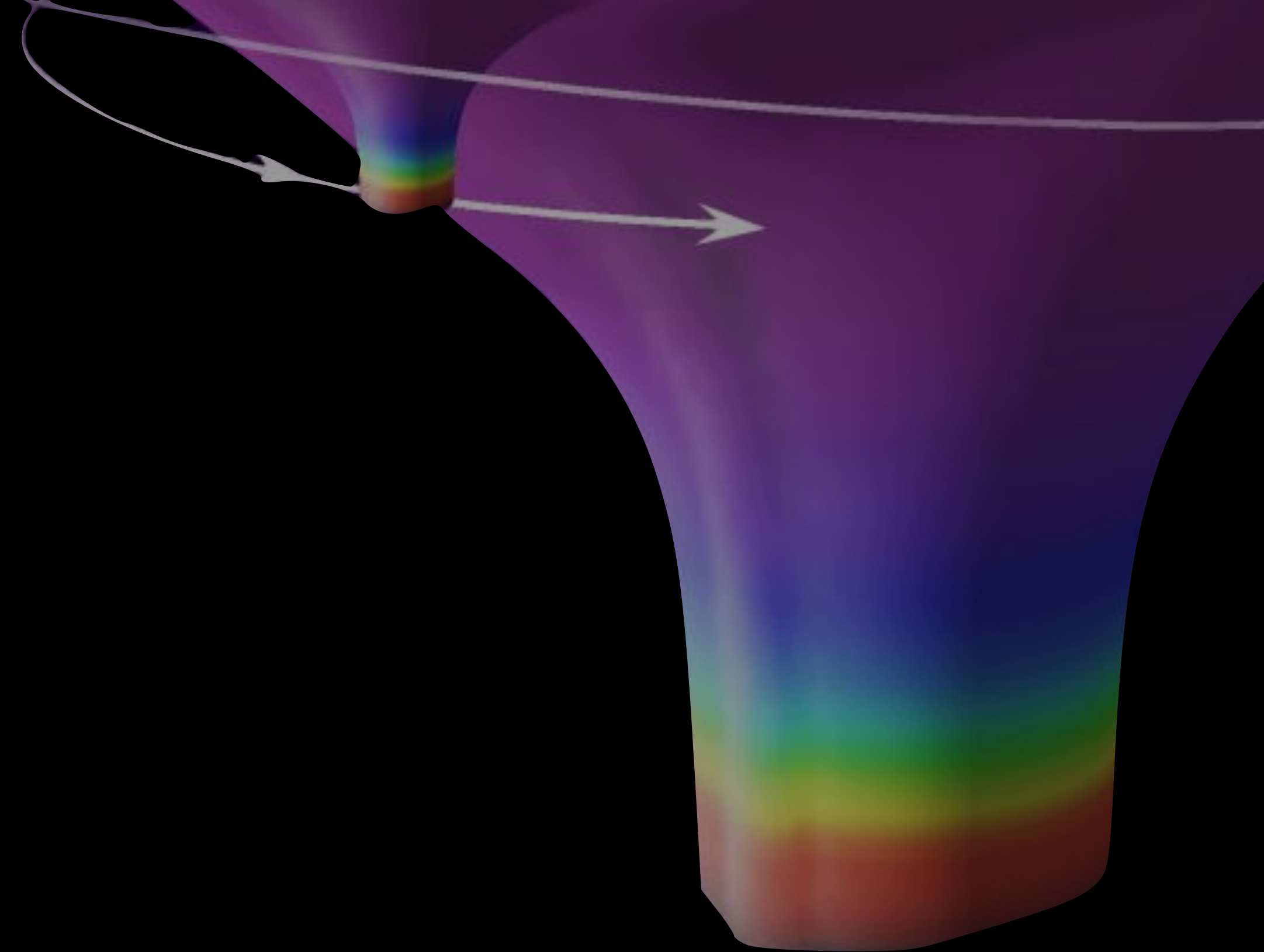
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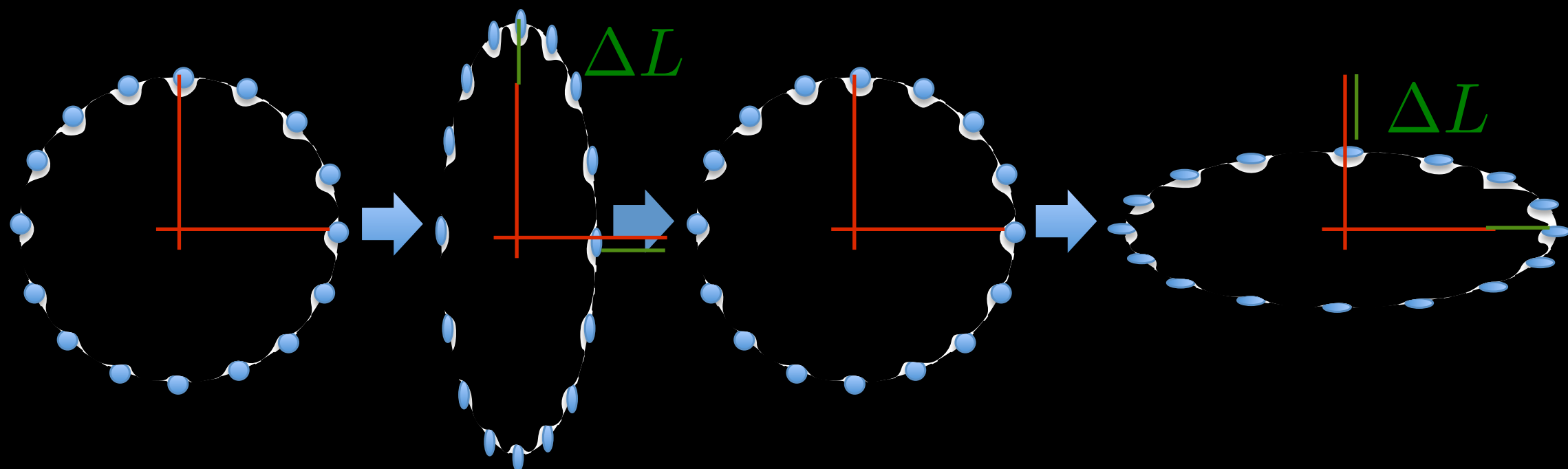


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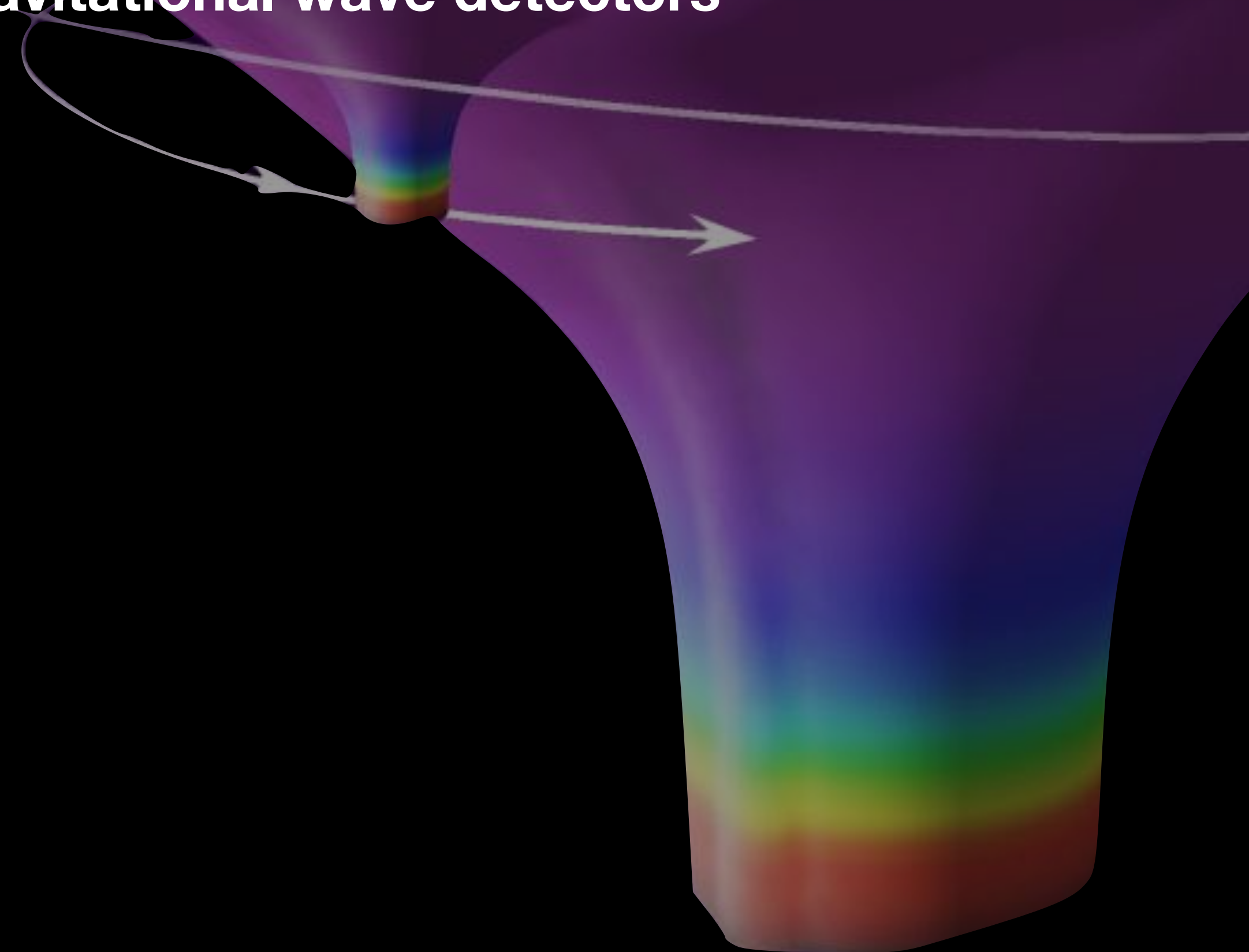


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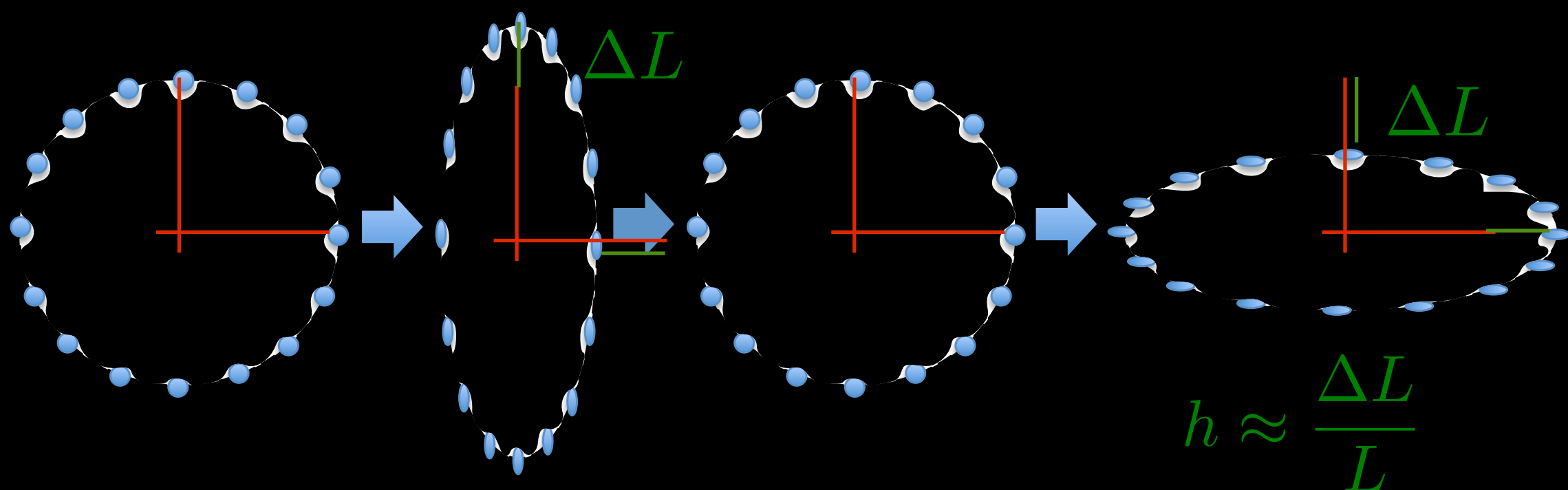


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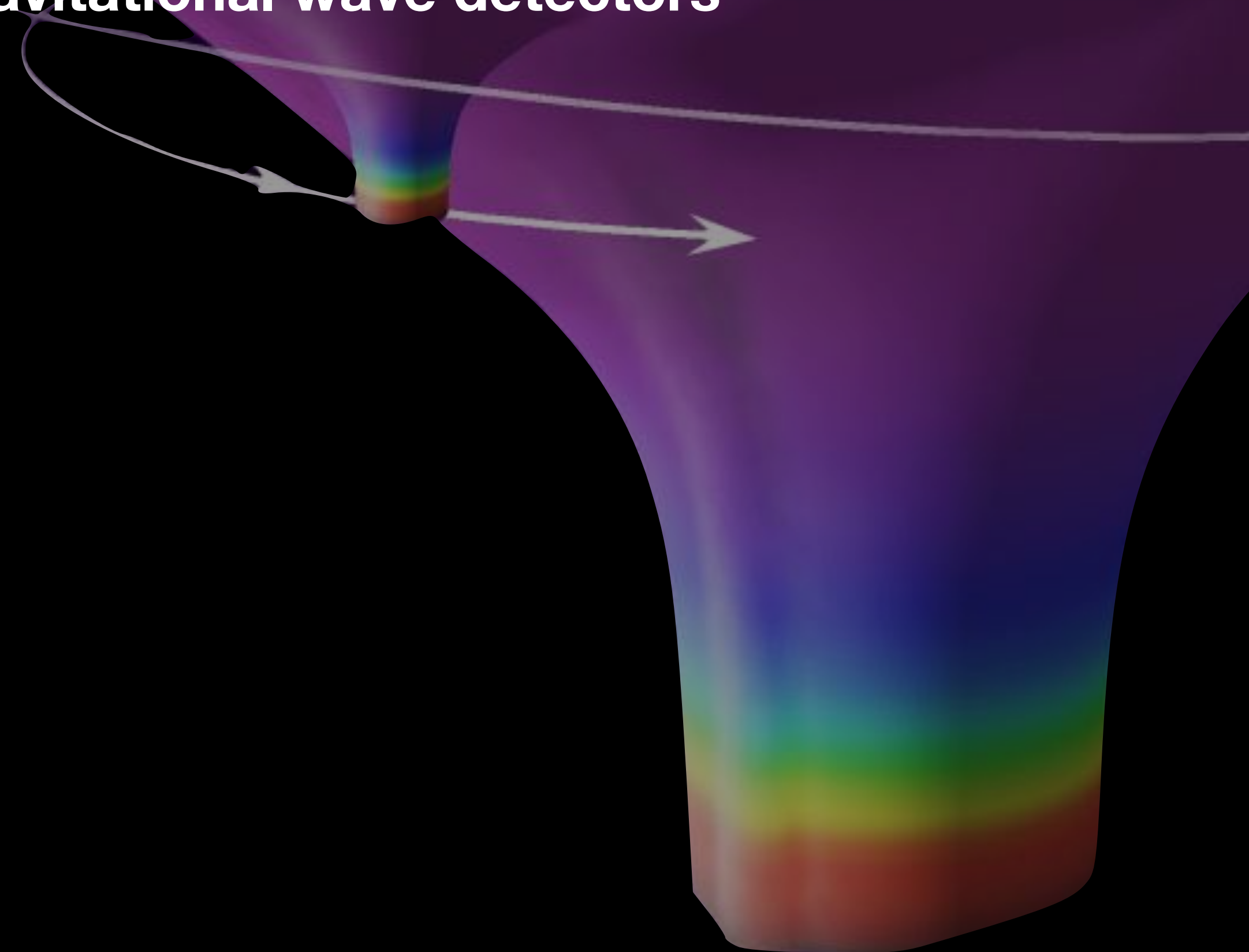


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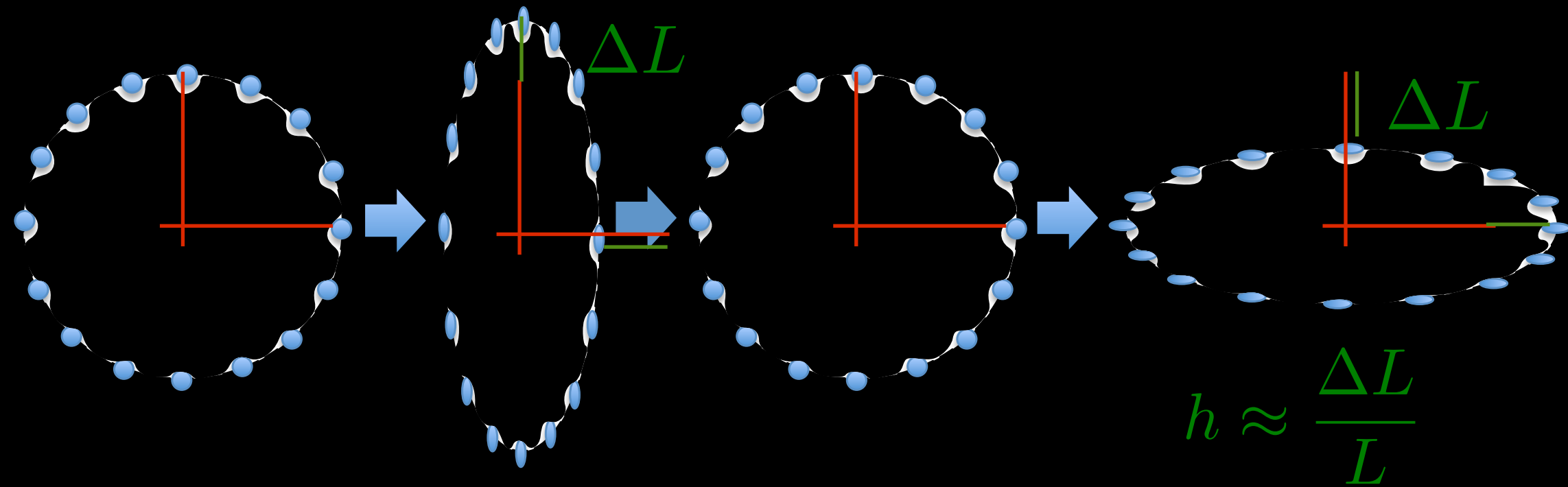


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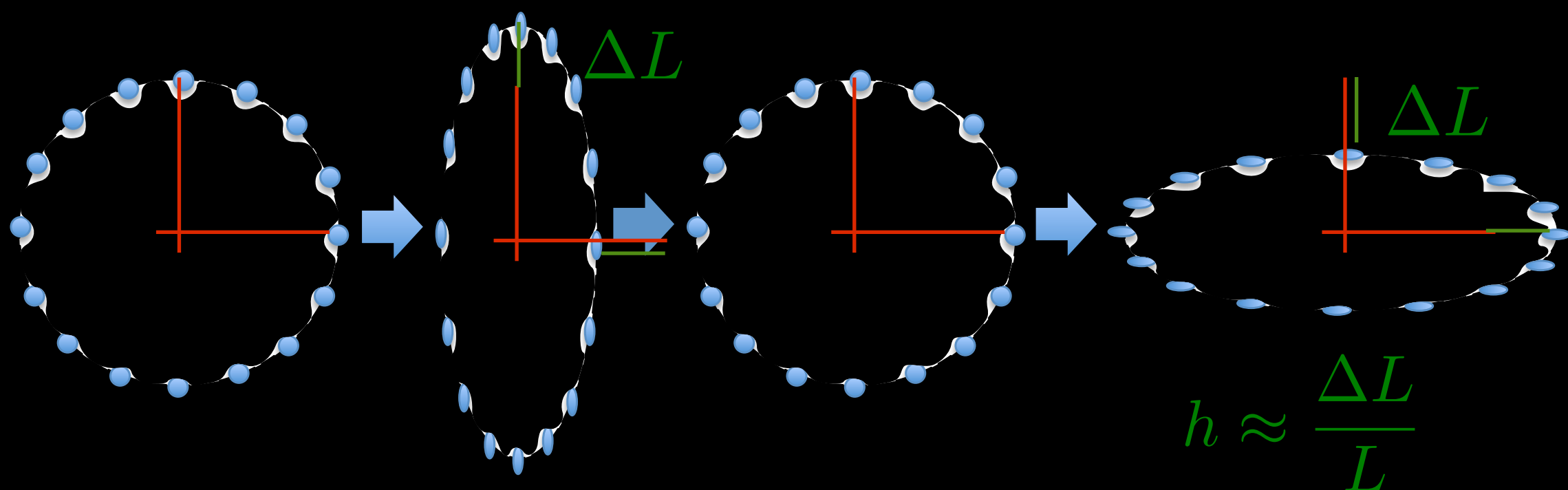


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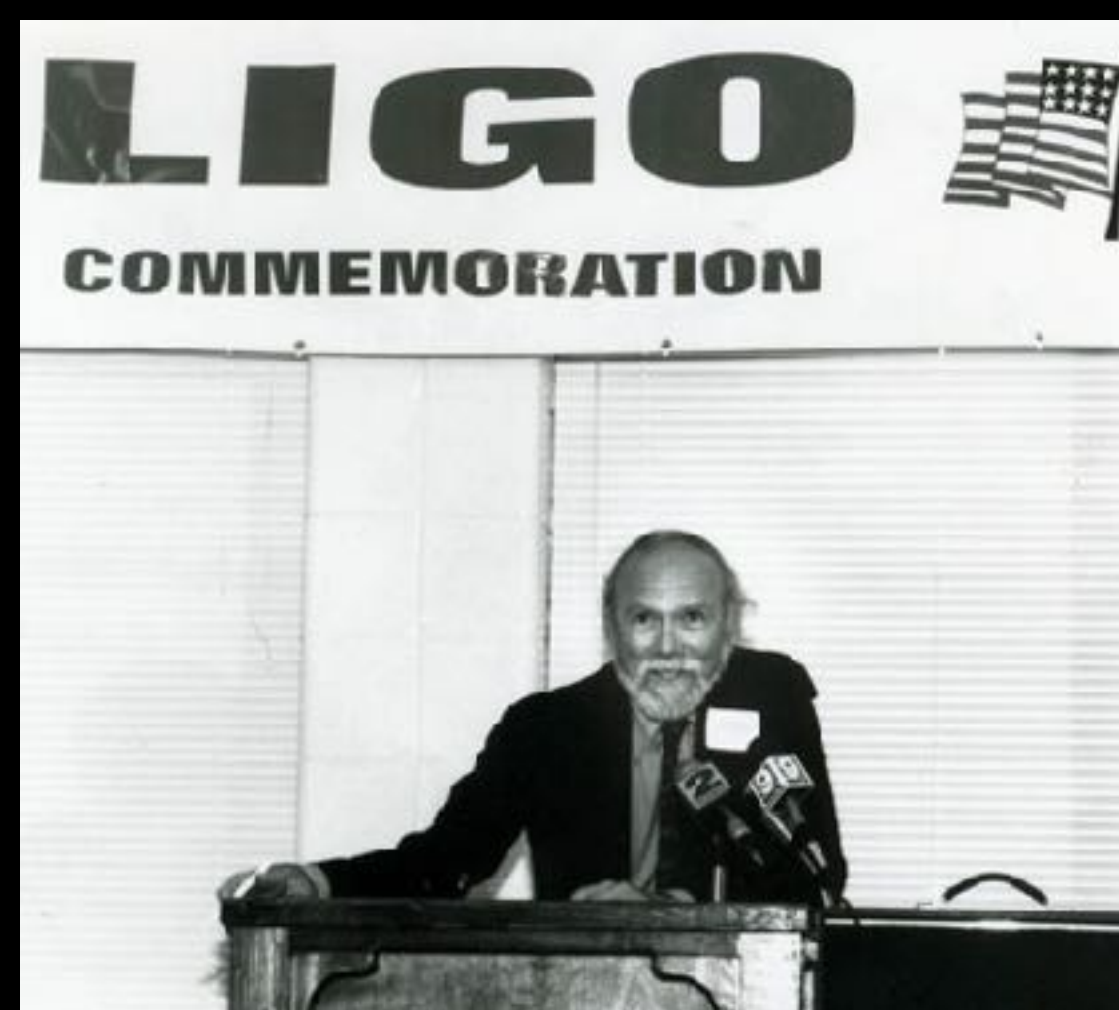


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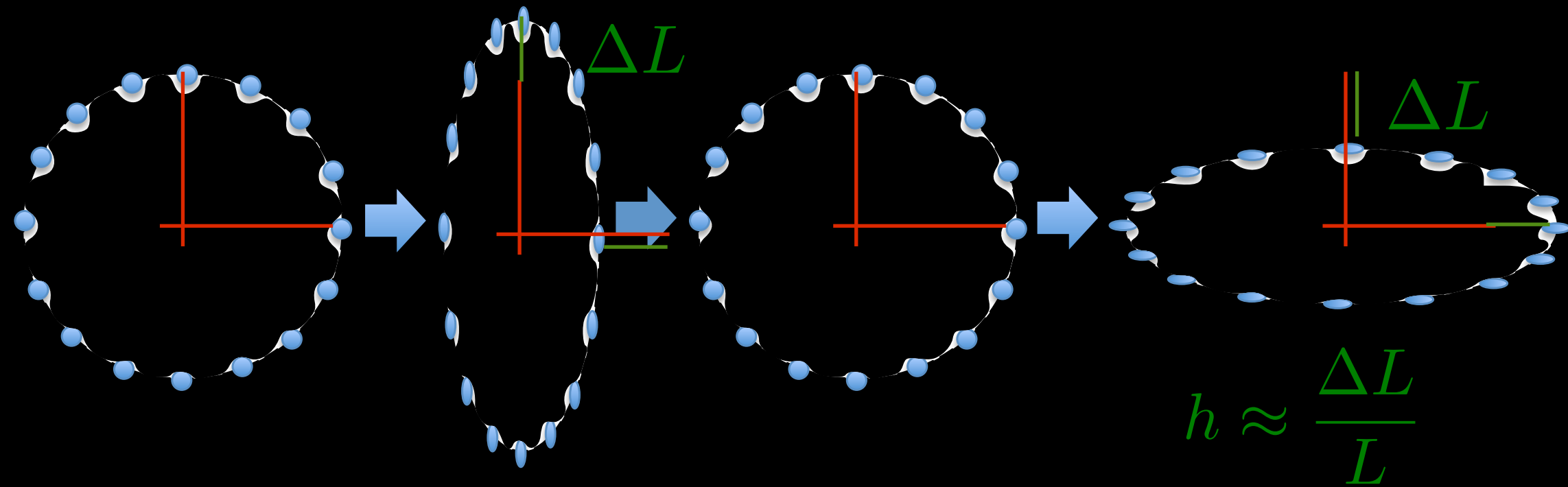


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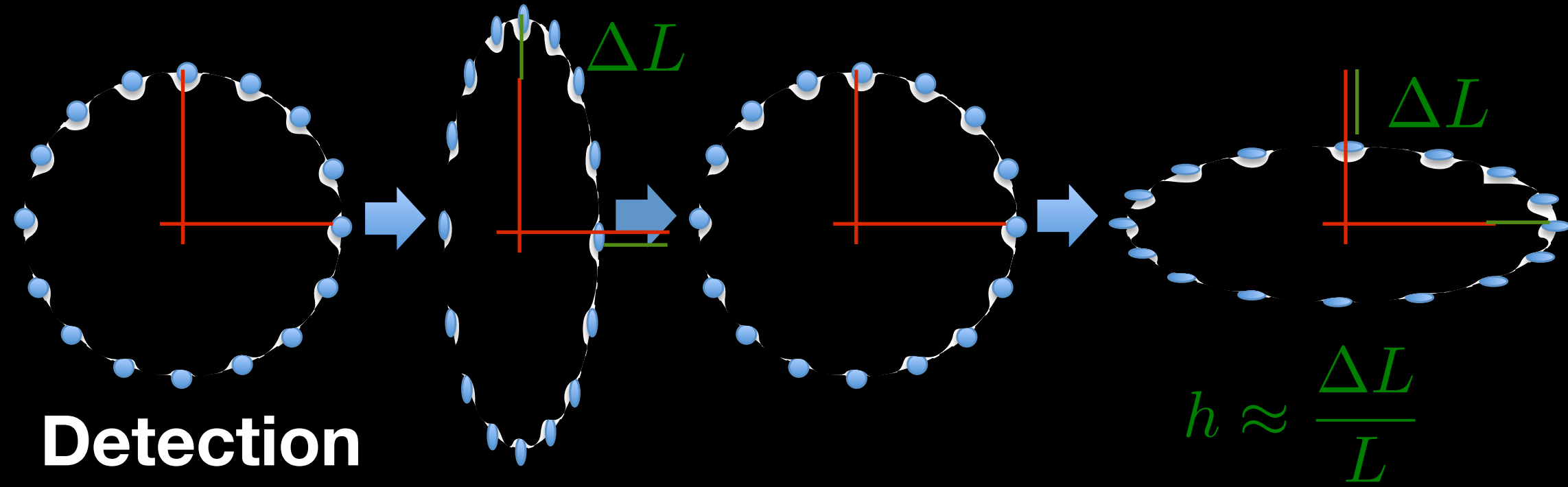
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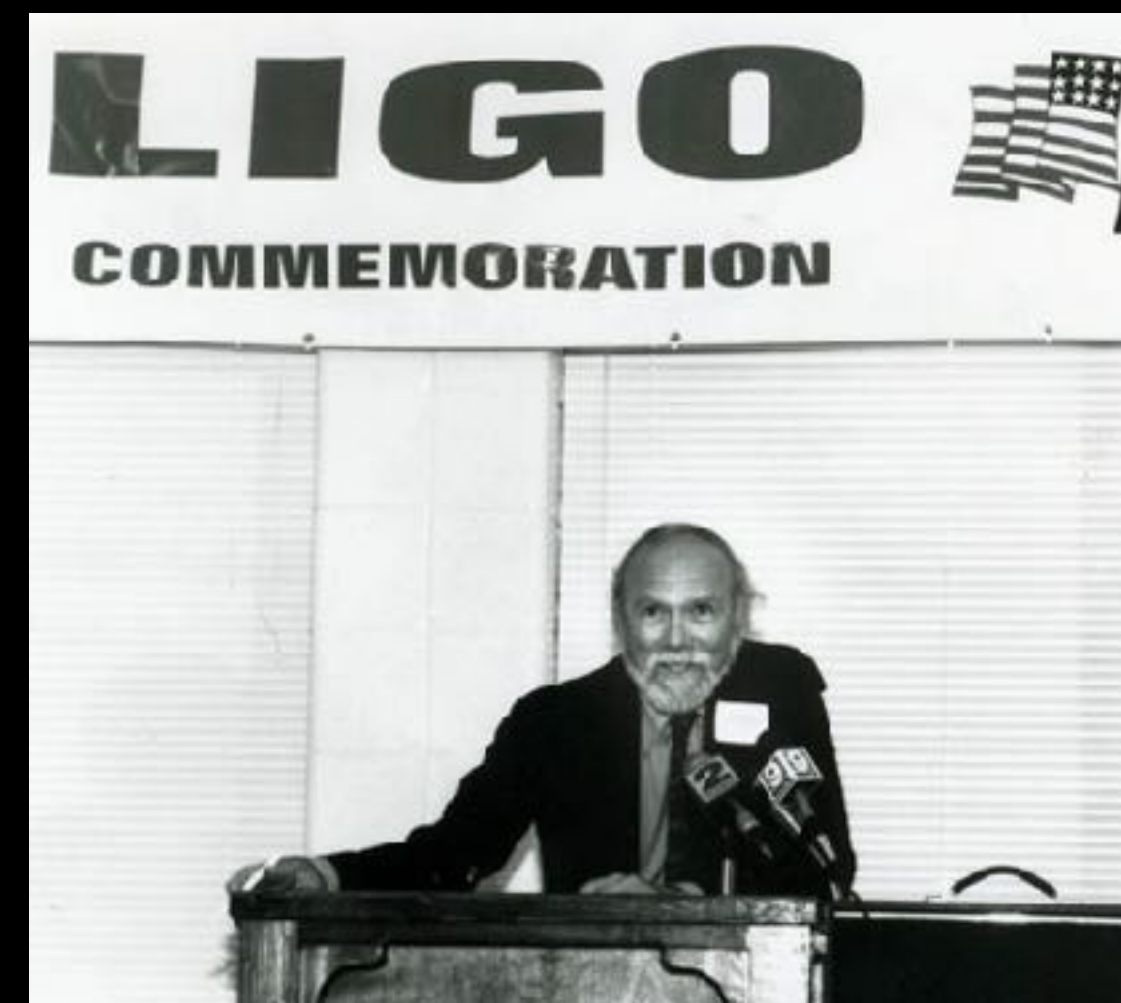
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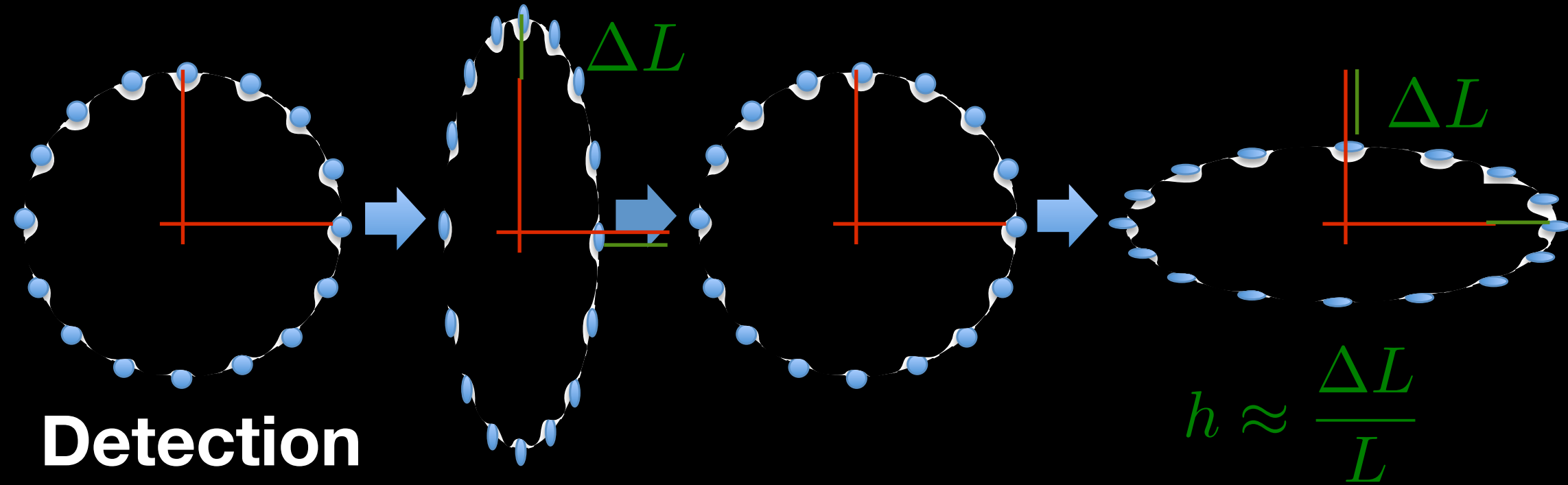
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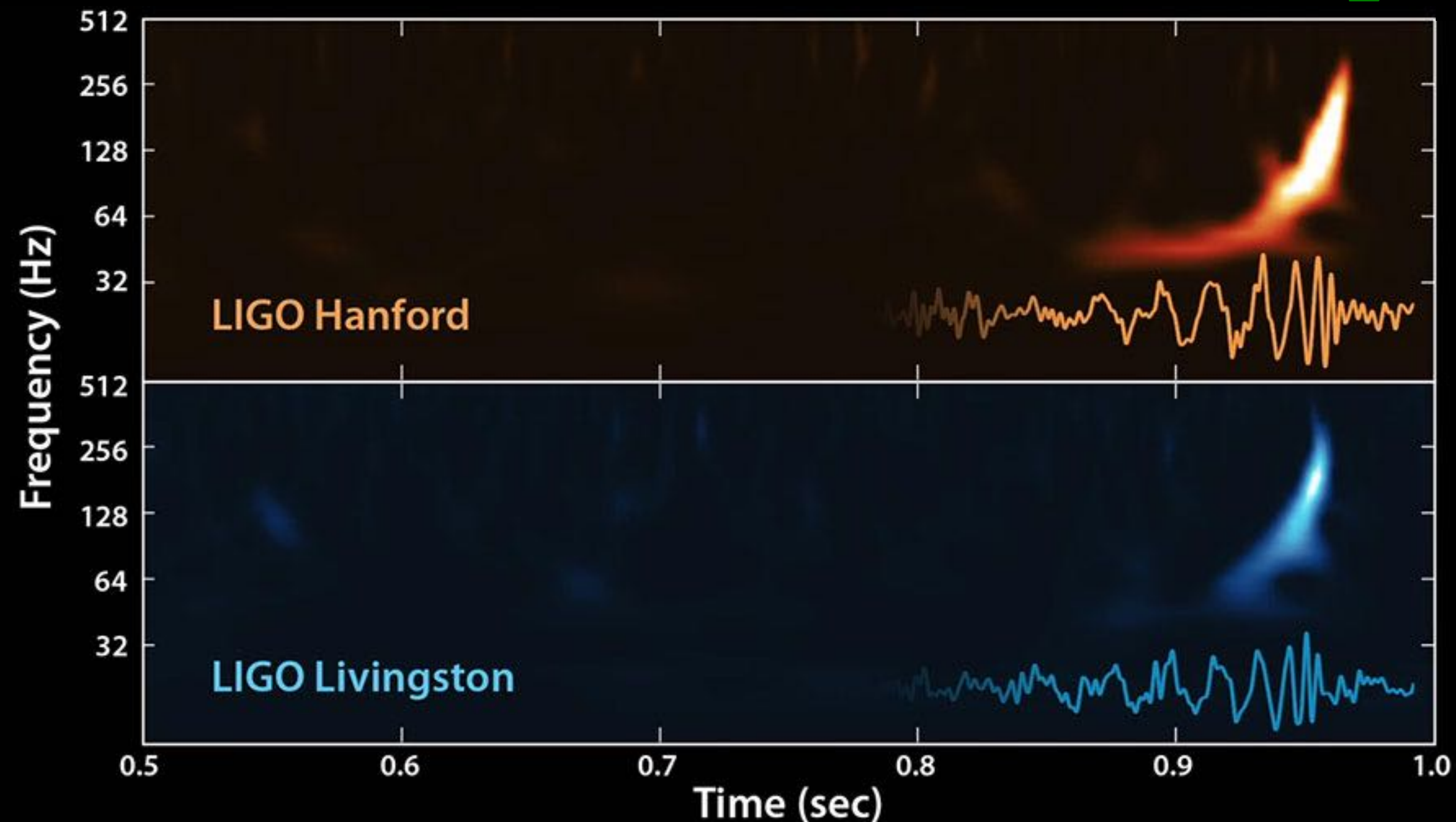


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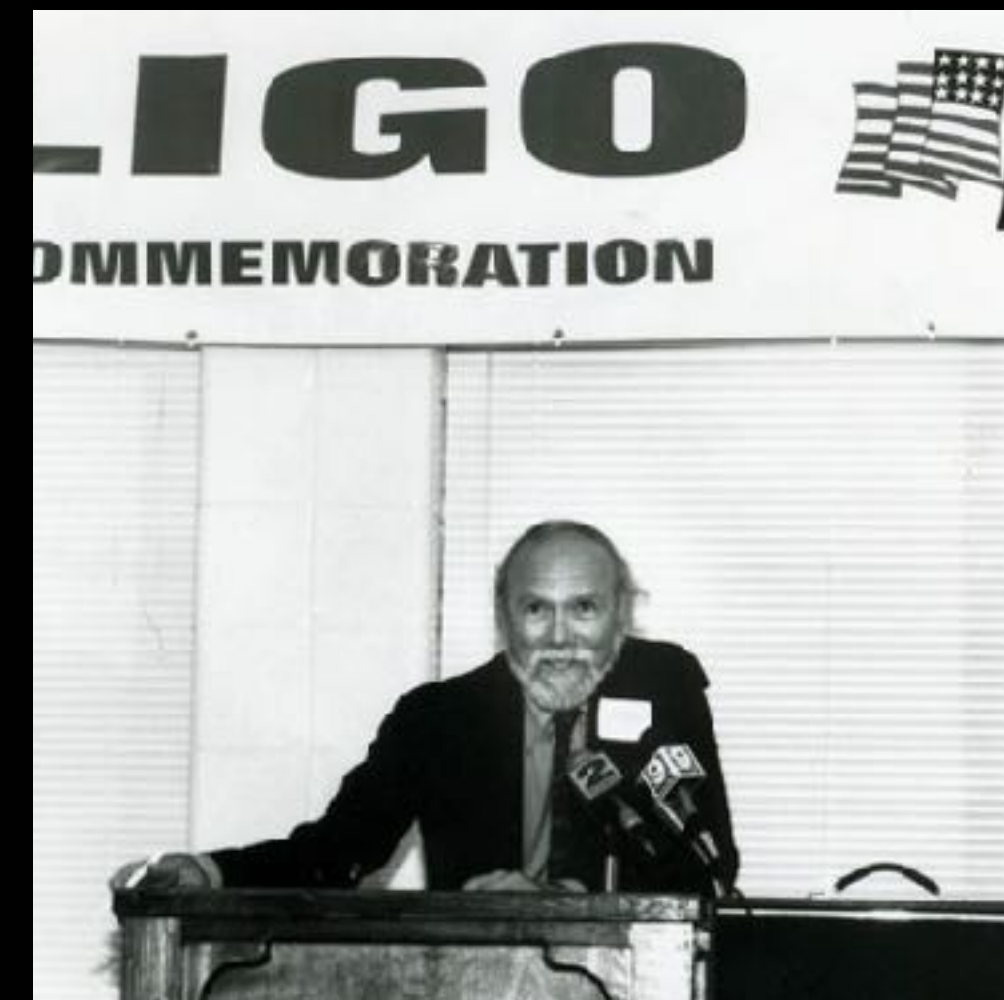
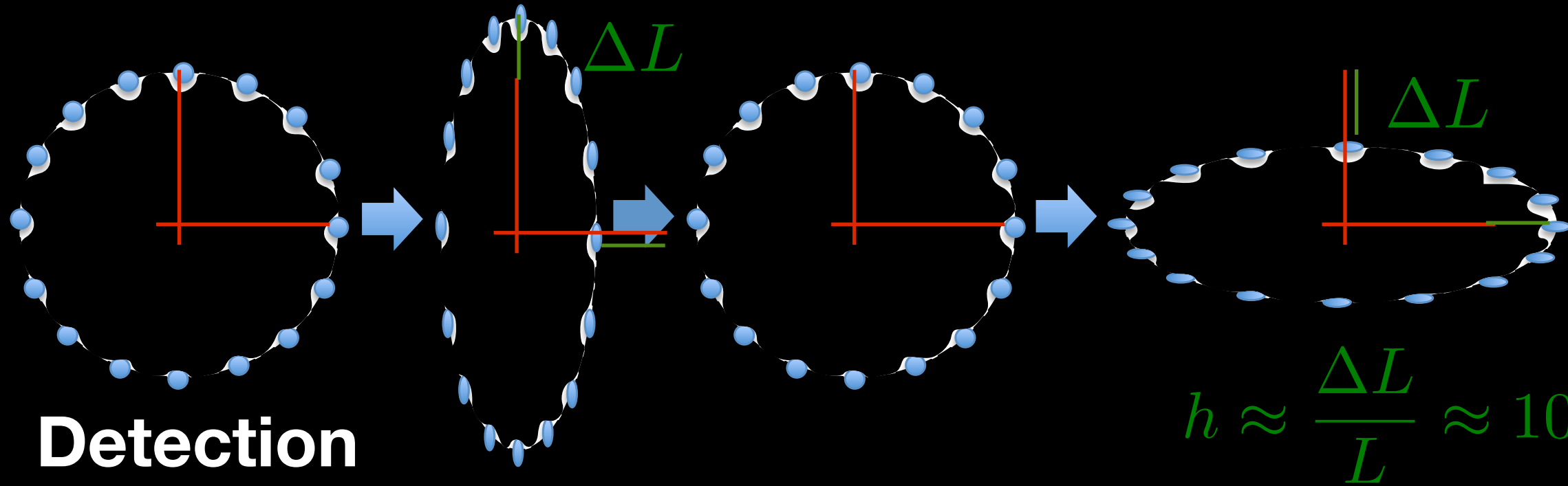


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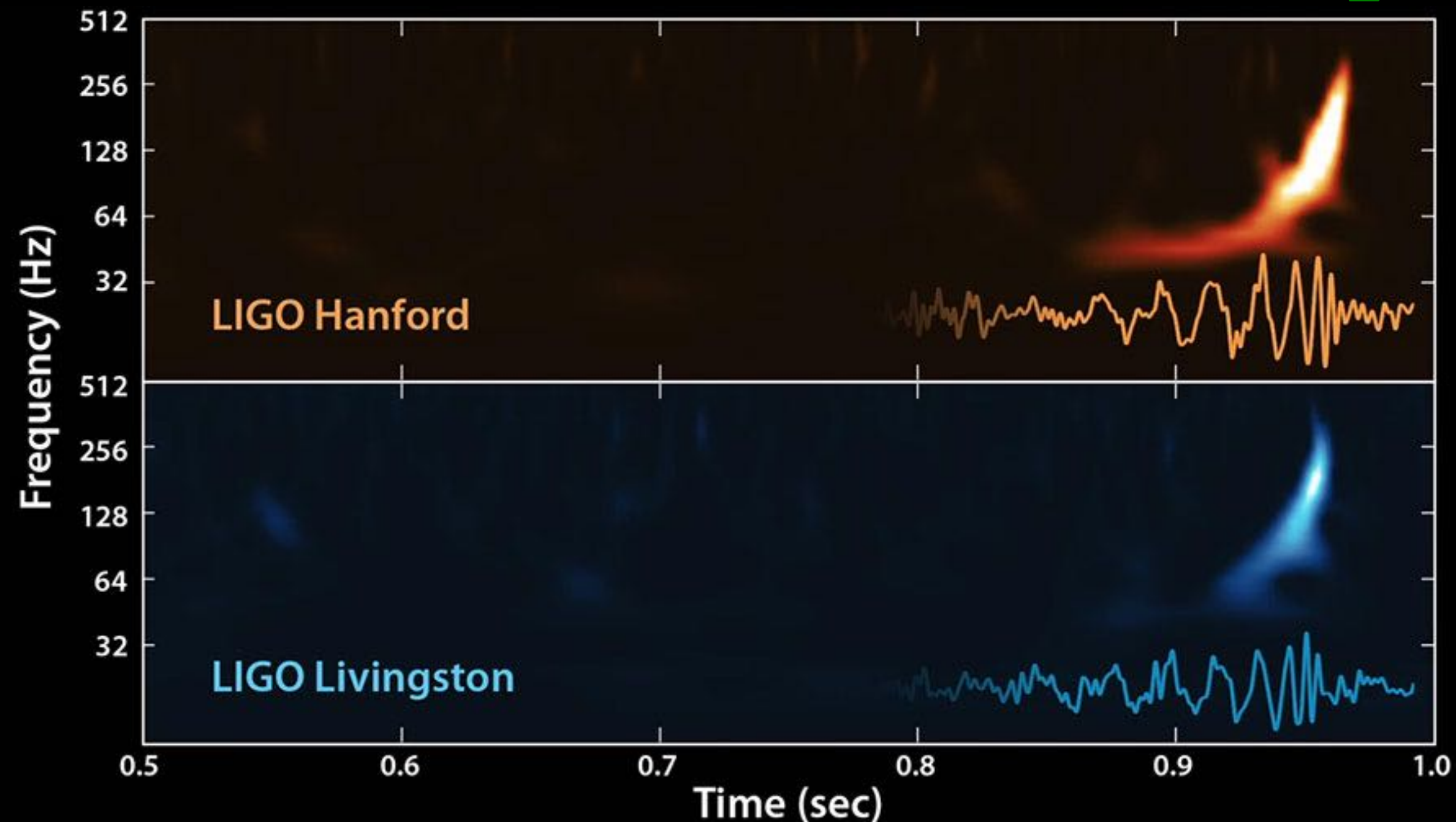


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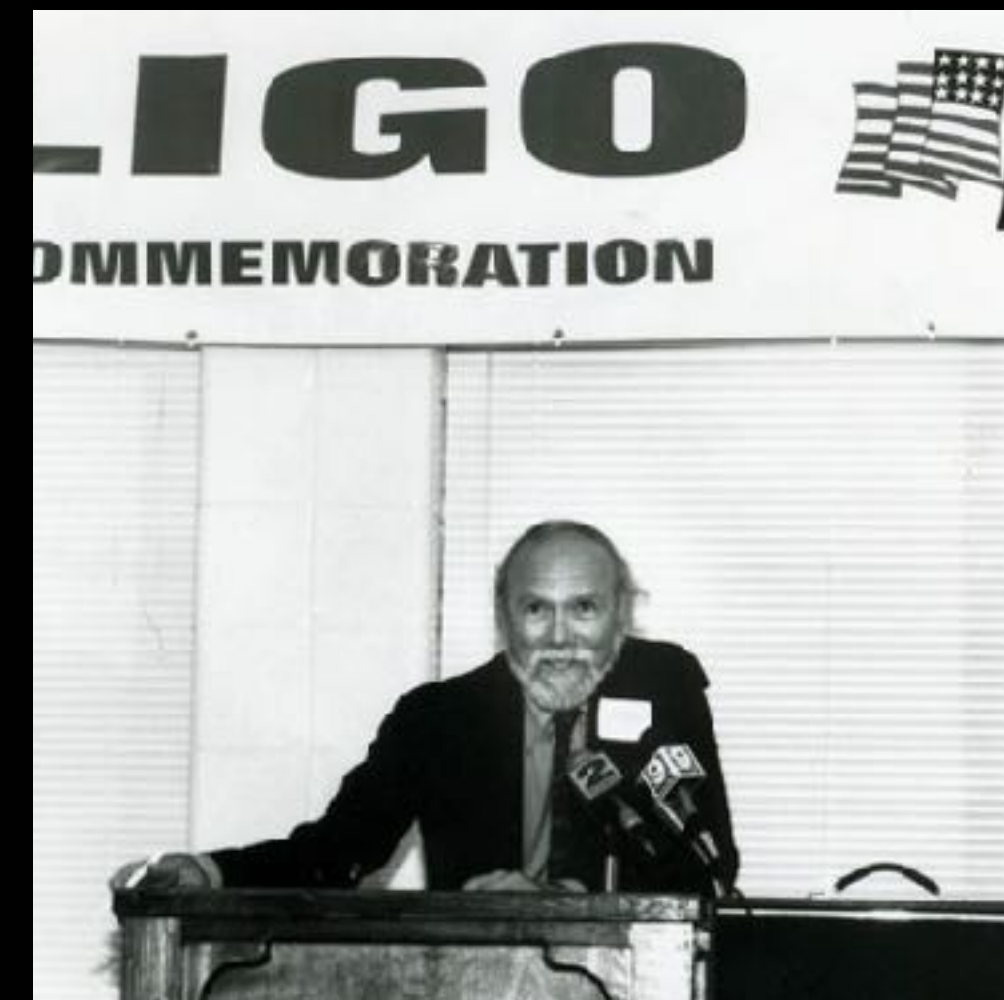


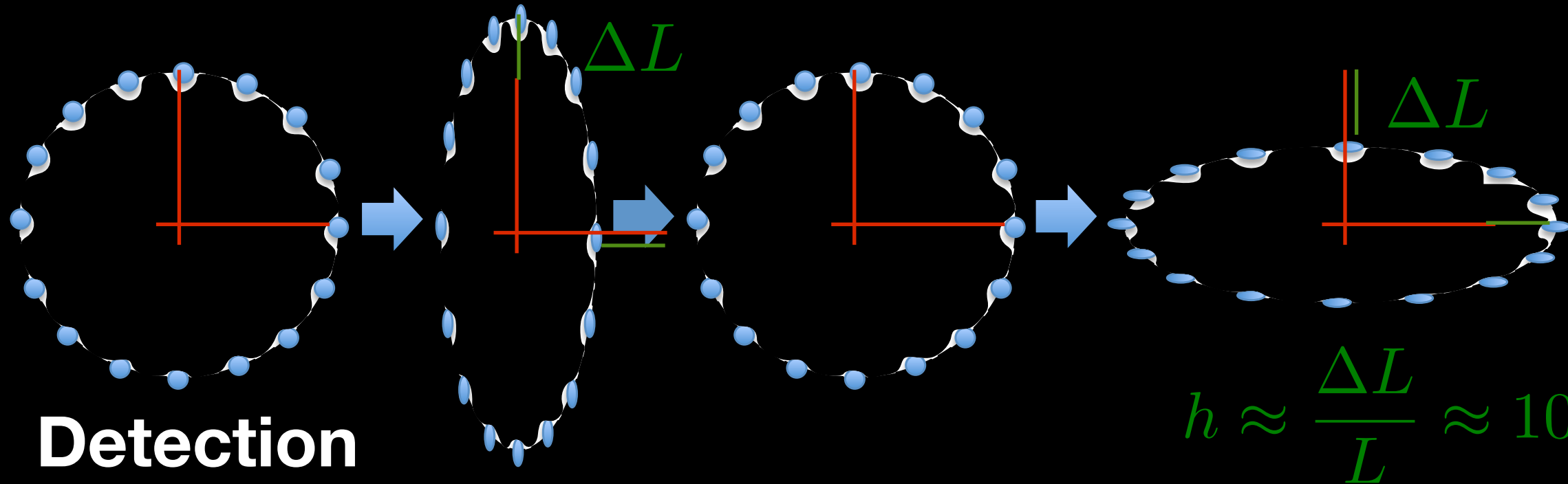
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- Detection

$$h \approx \frac{\Delta L}{L} \approx 10^{-21}$$

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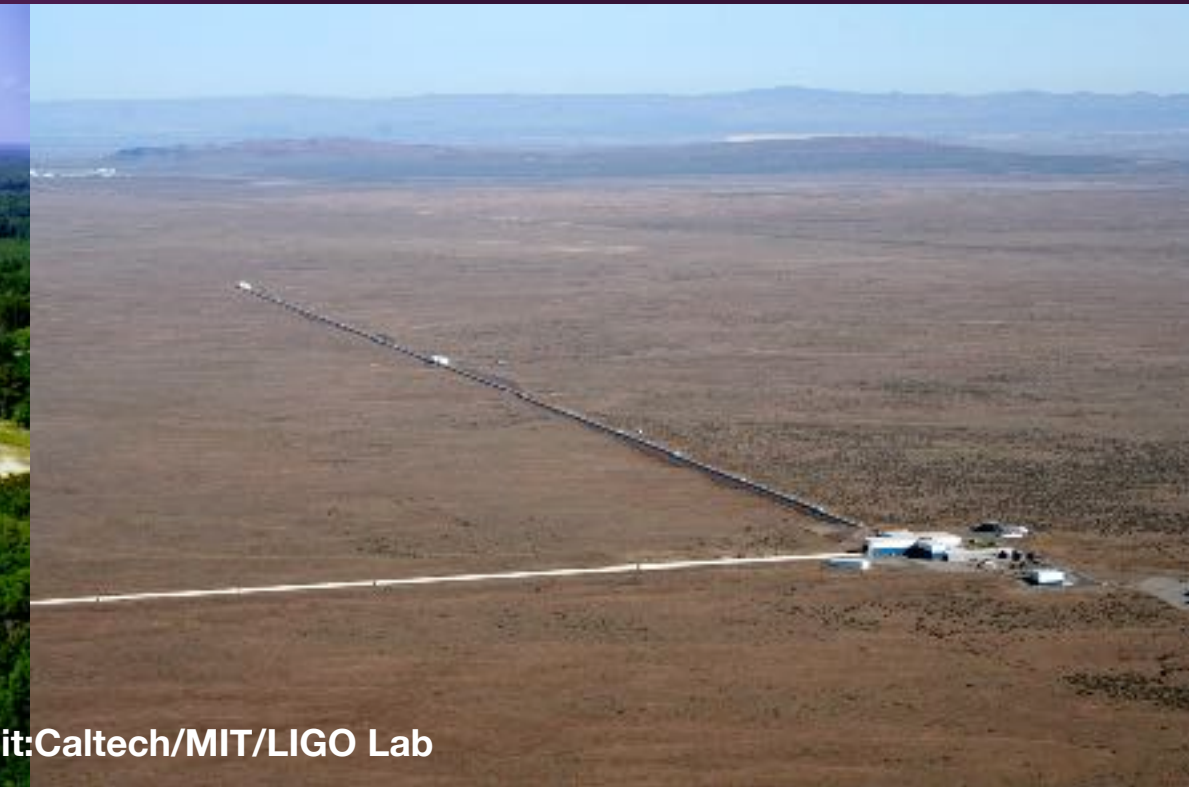
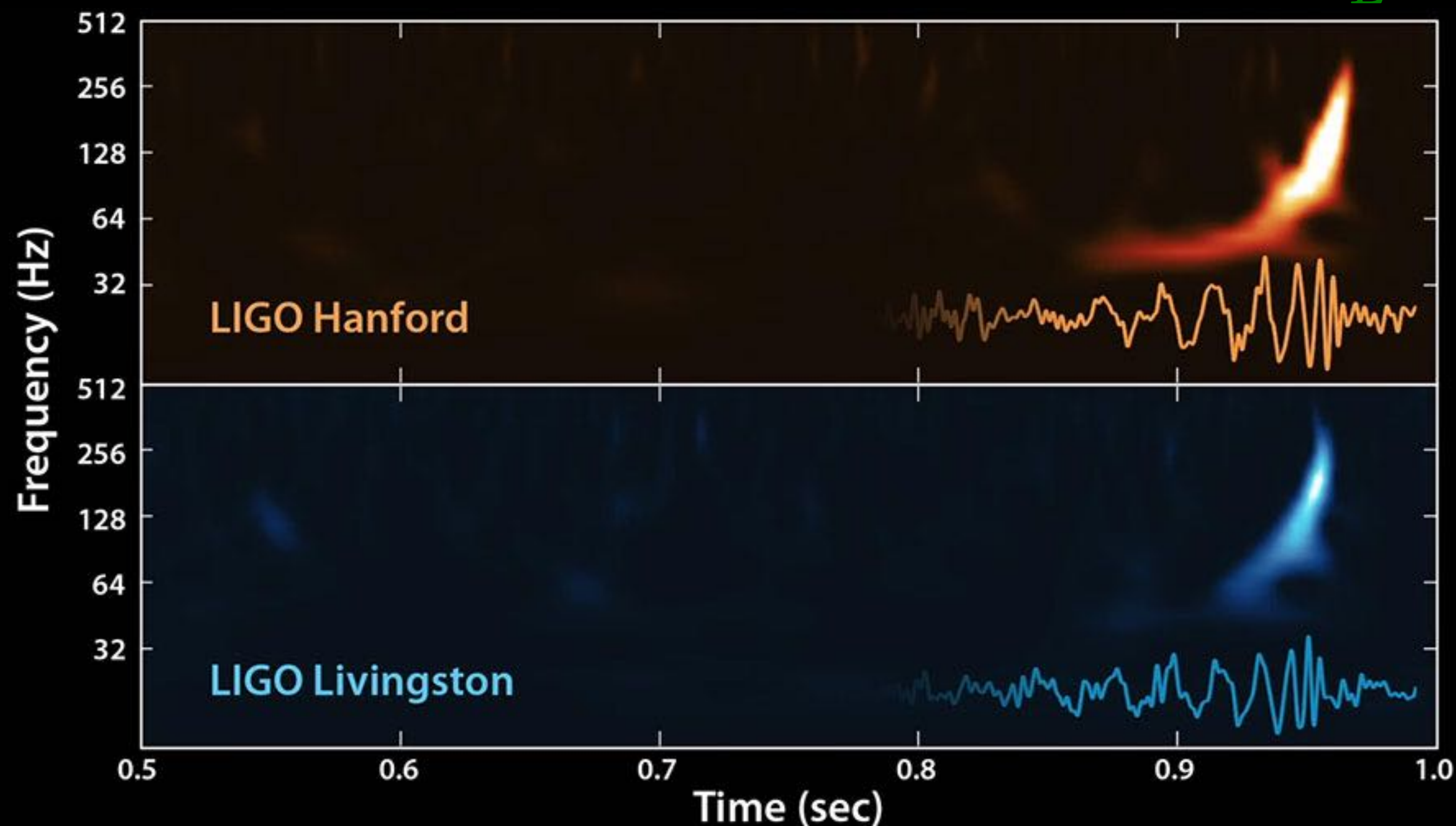
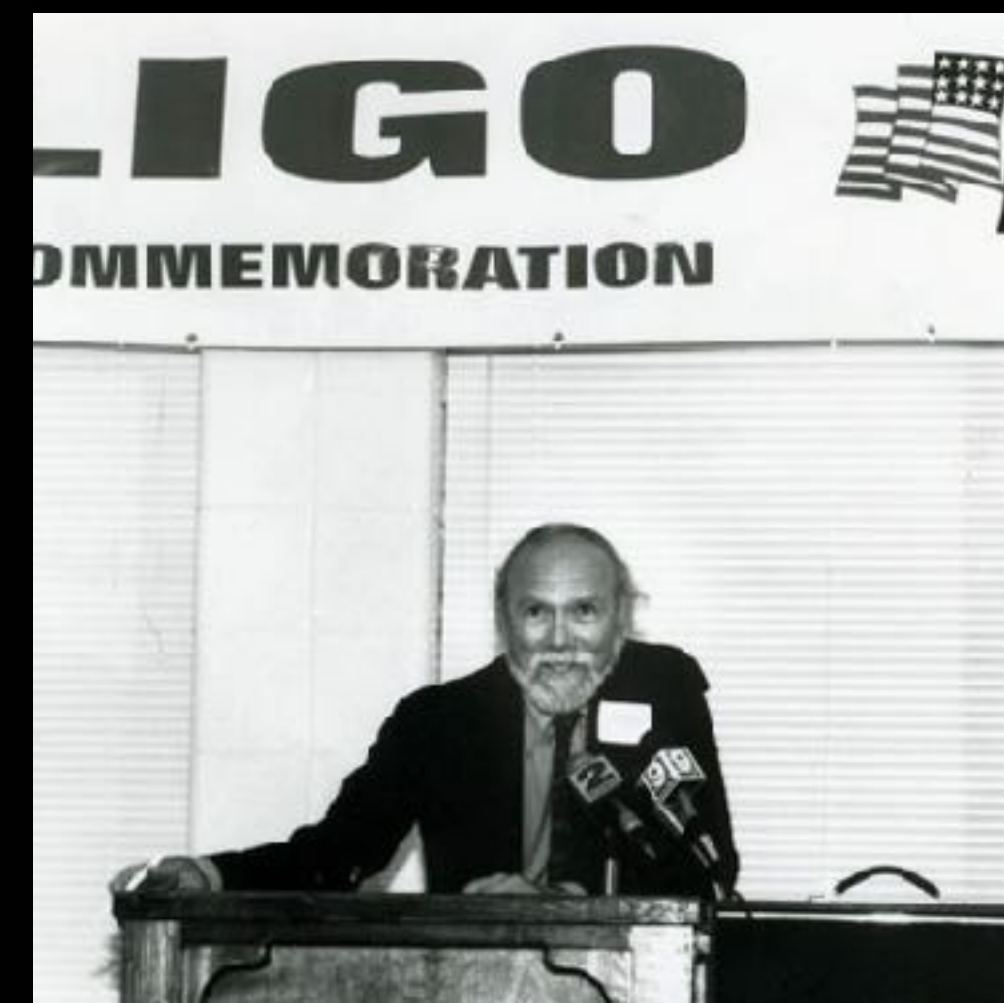


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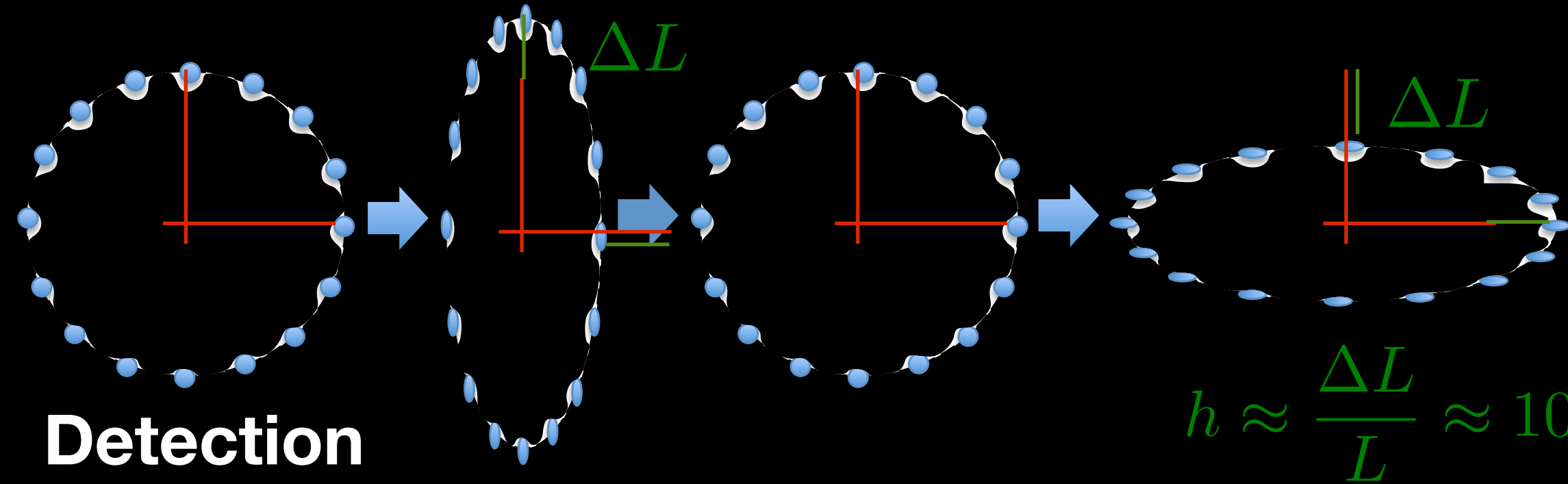


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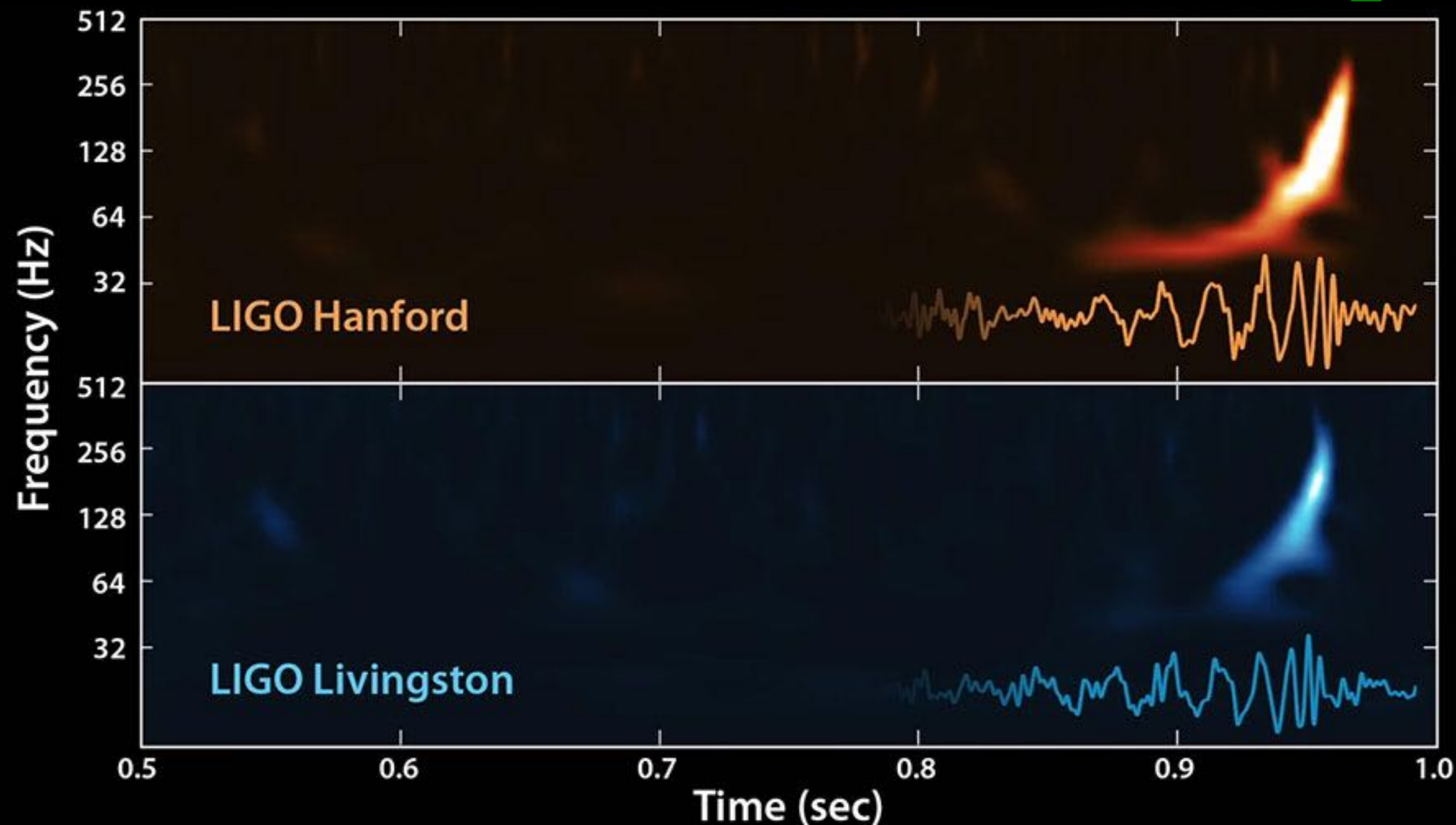
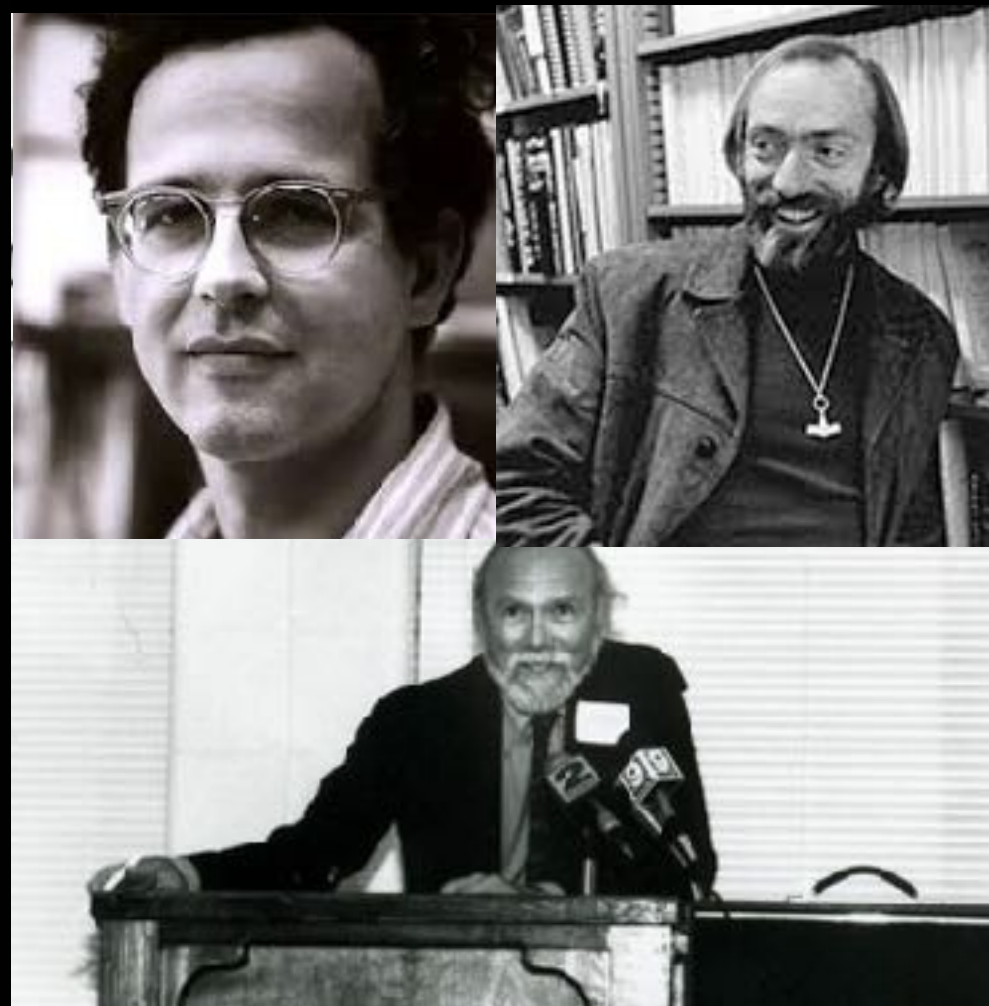
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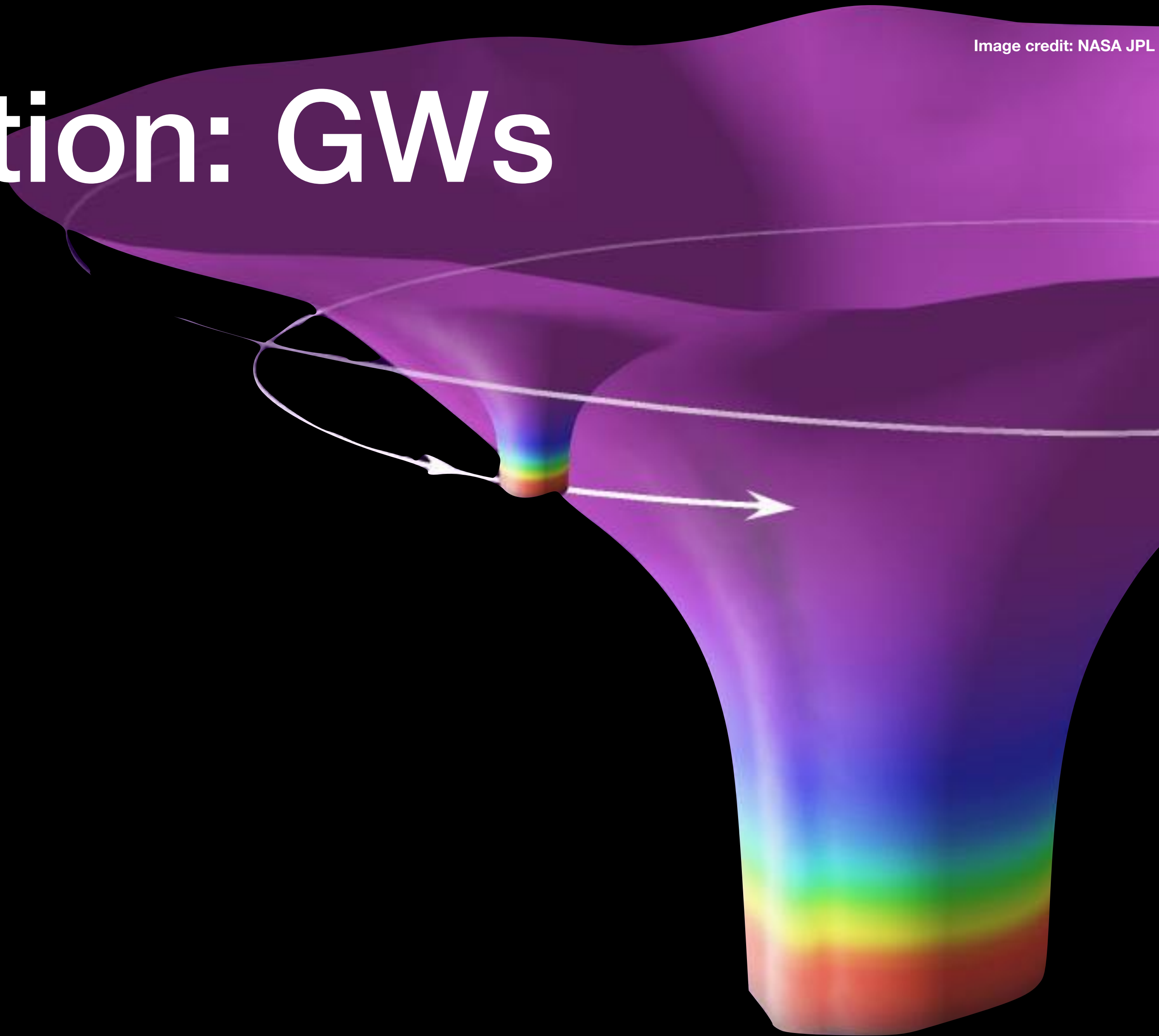
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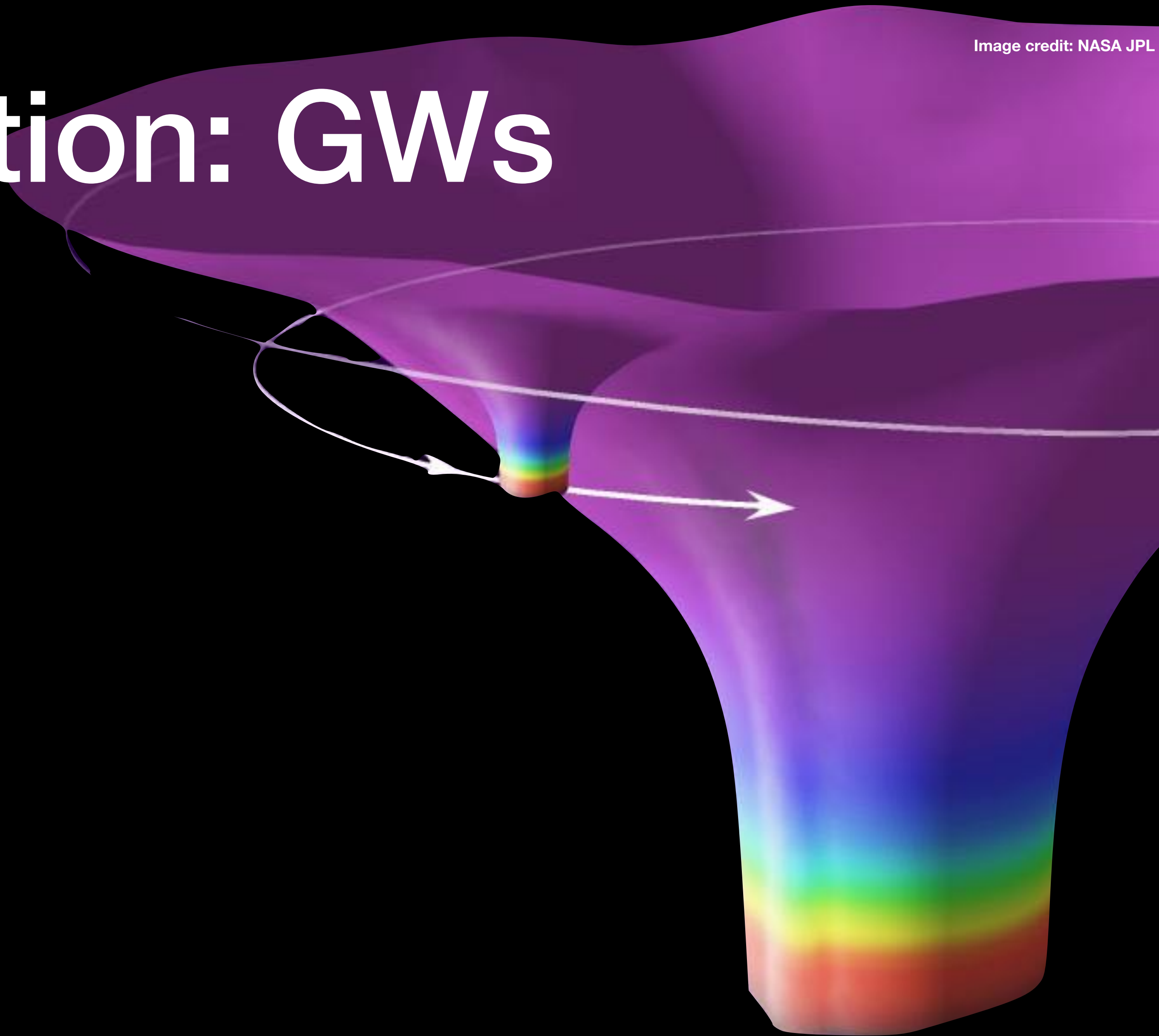




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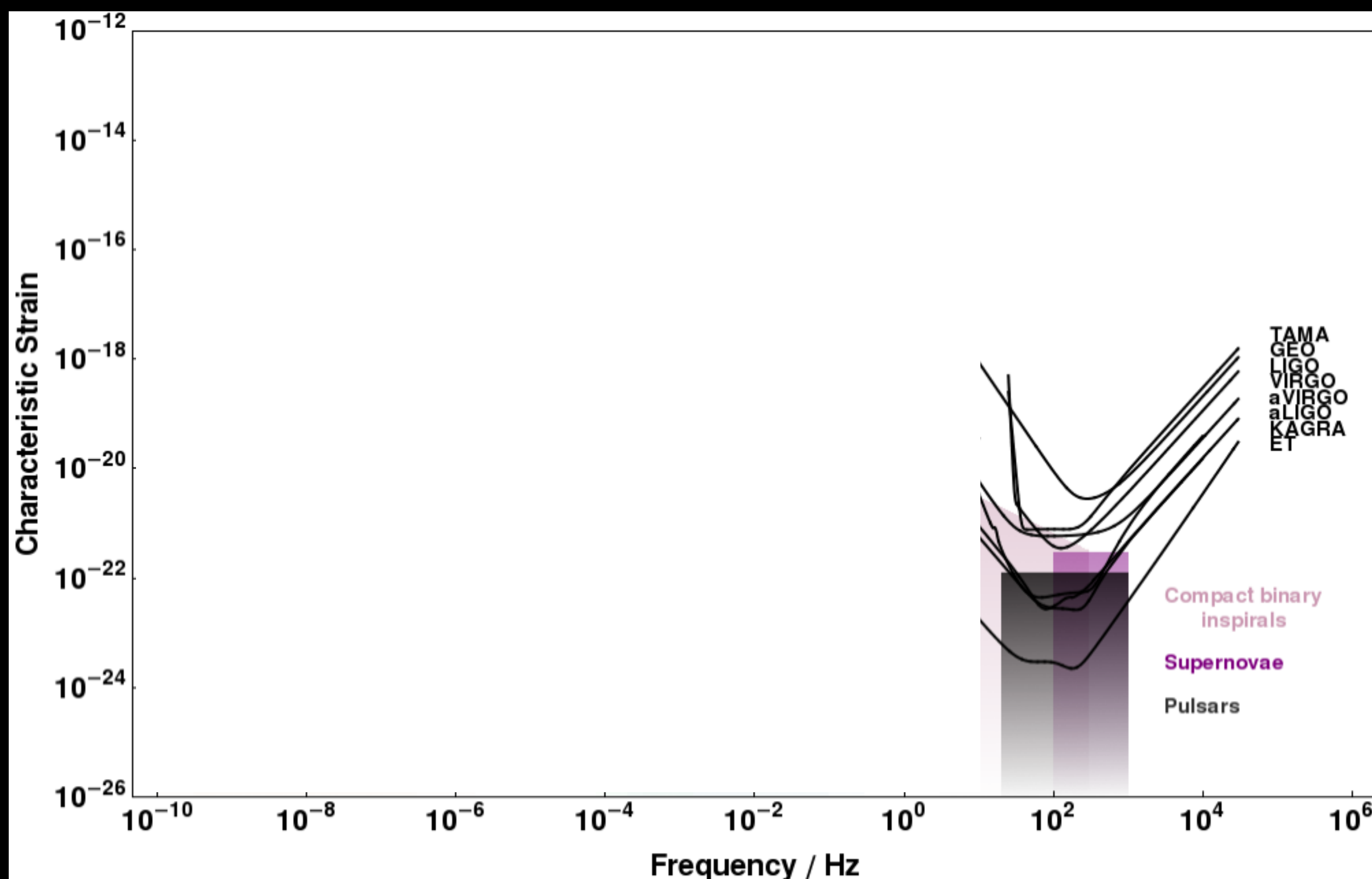




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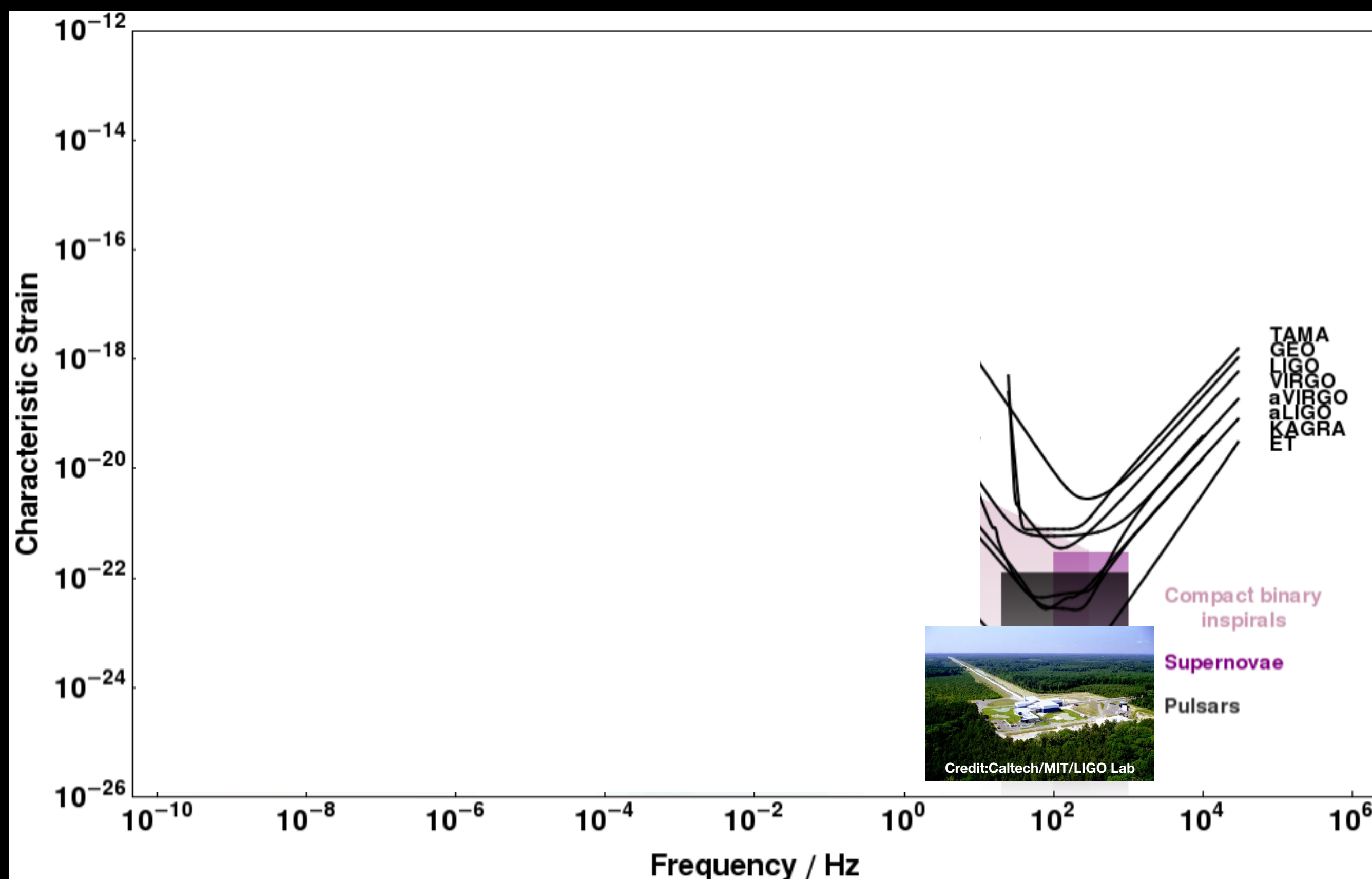
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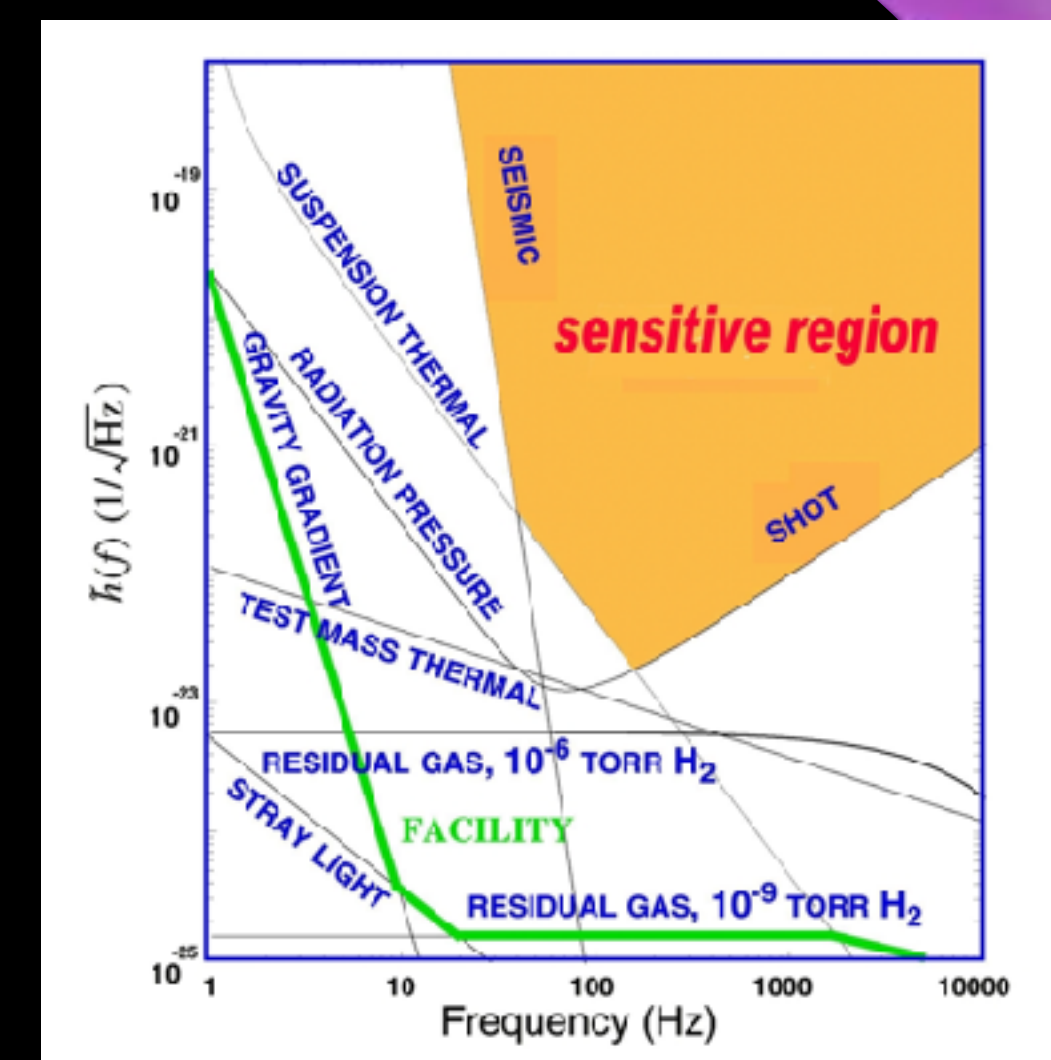
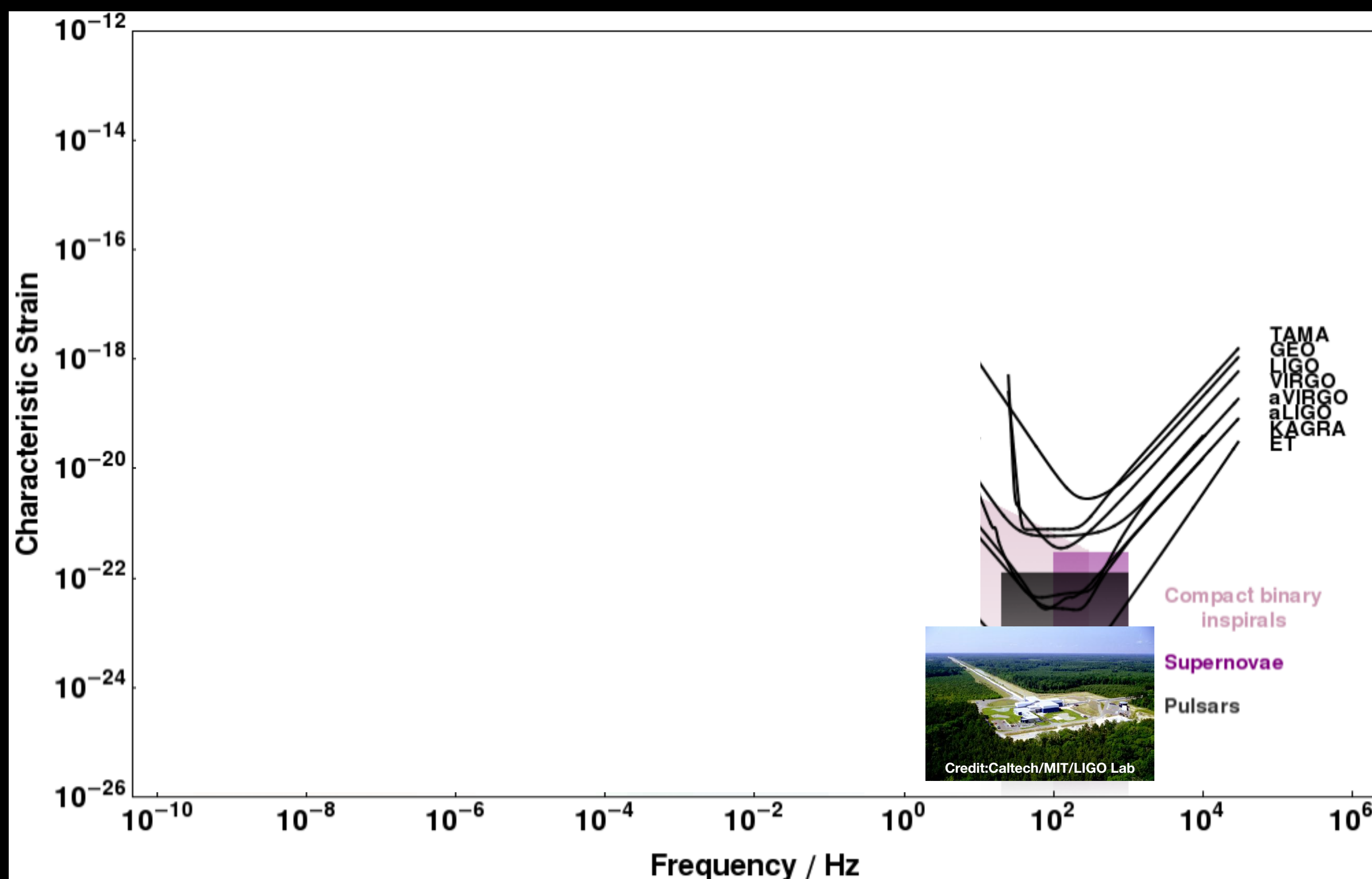
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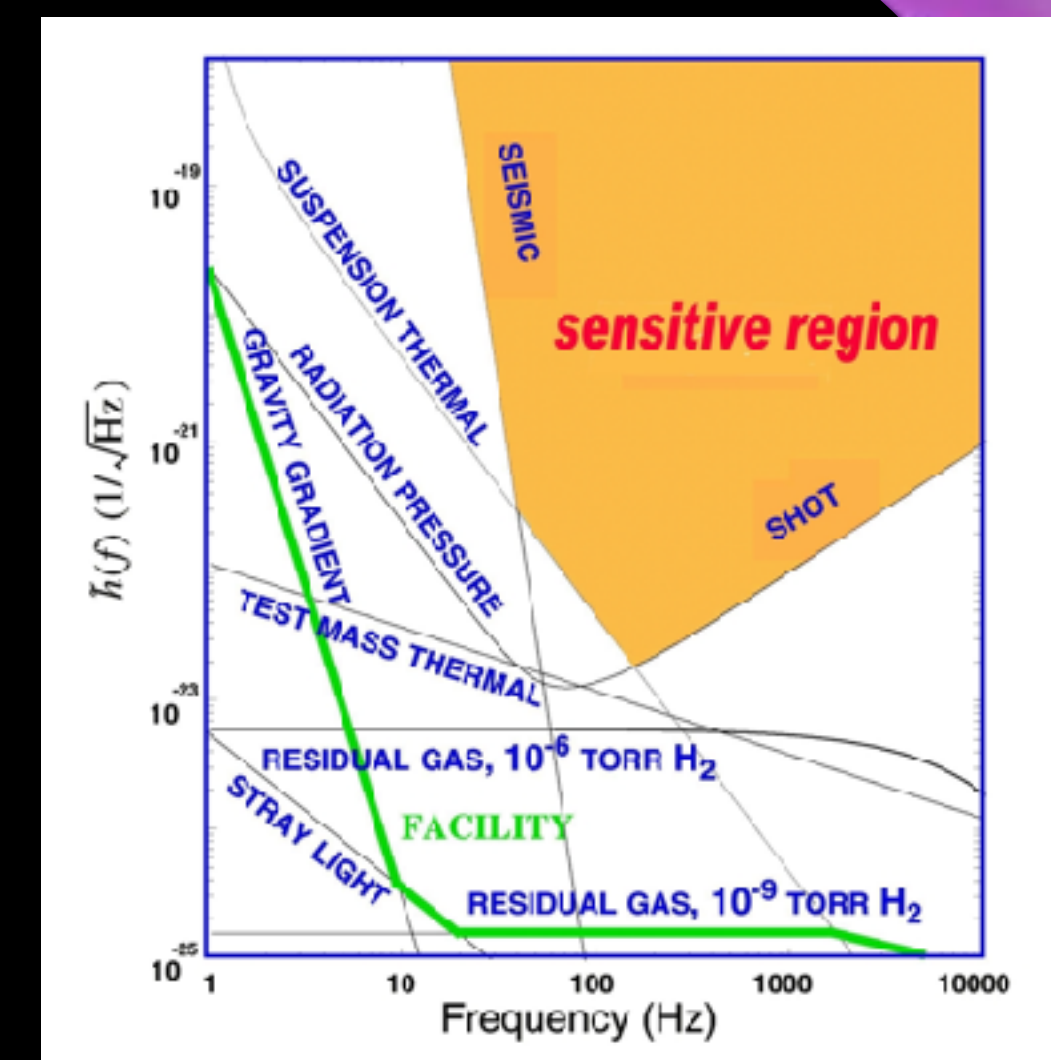
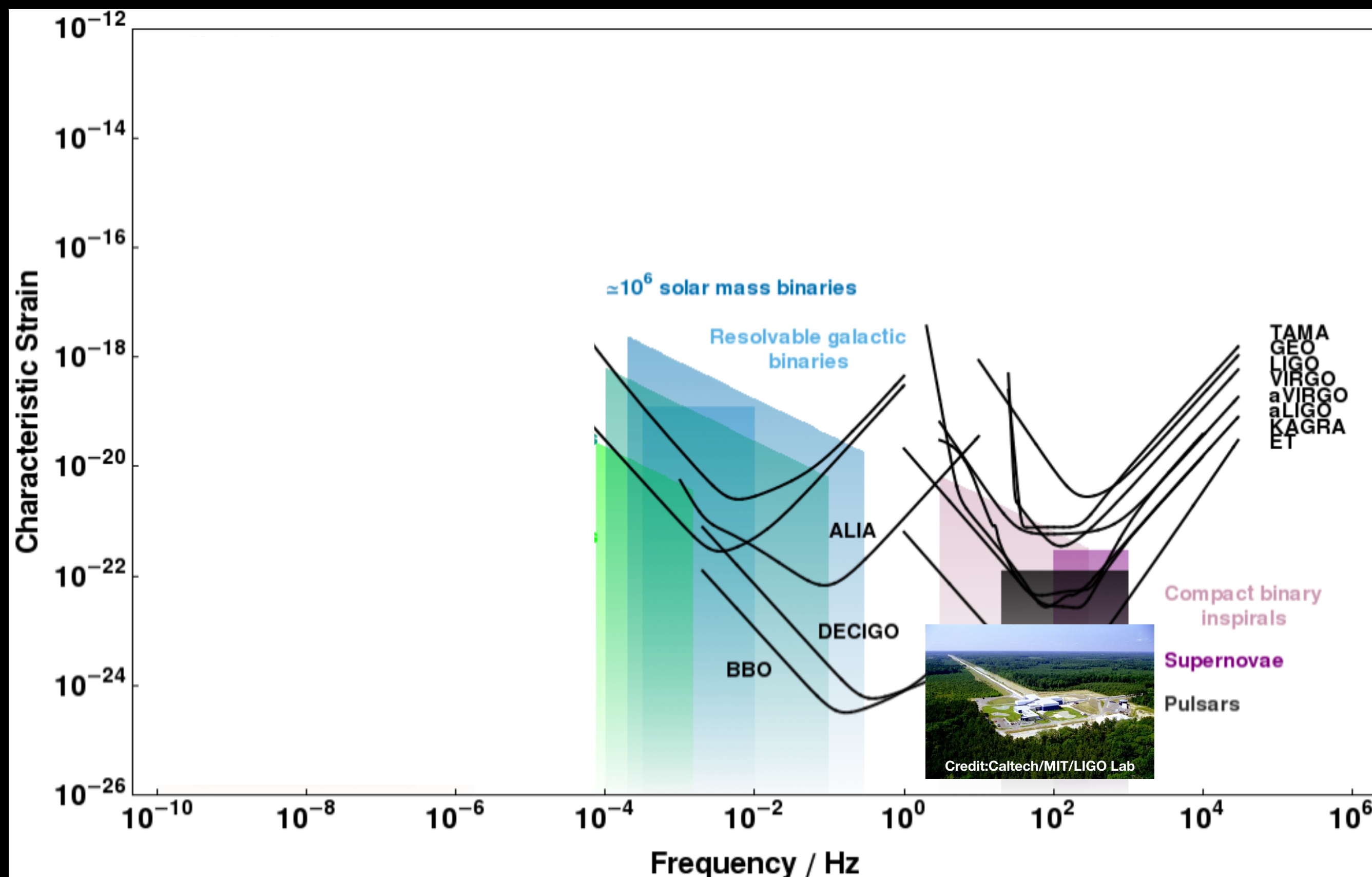
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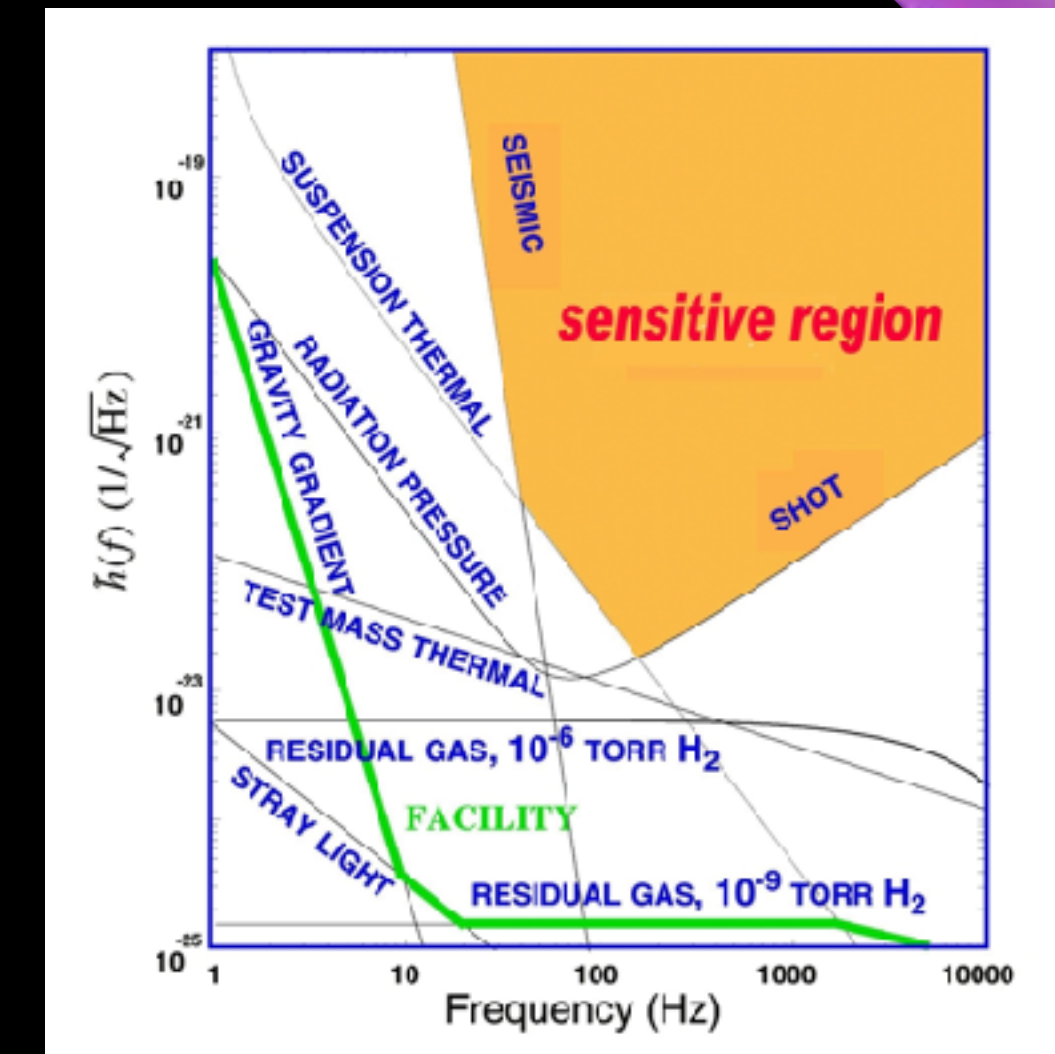
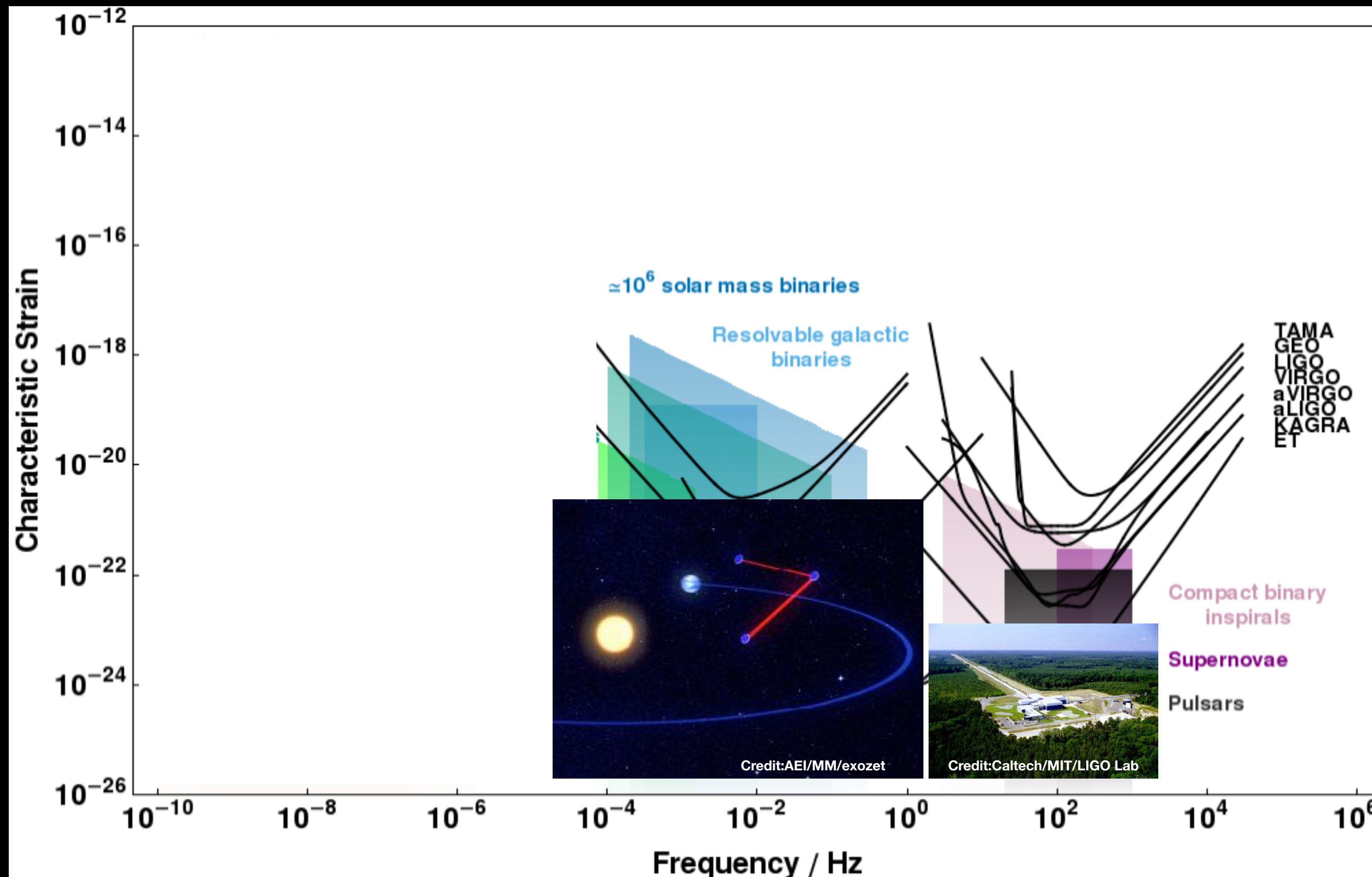
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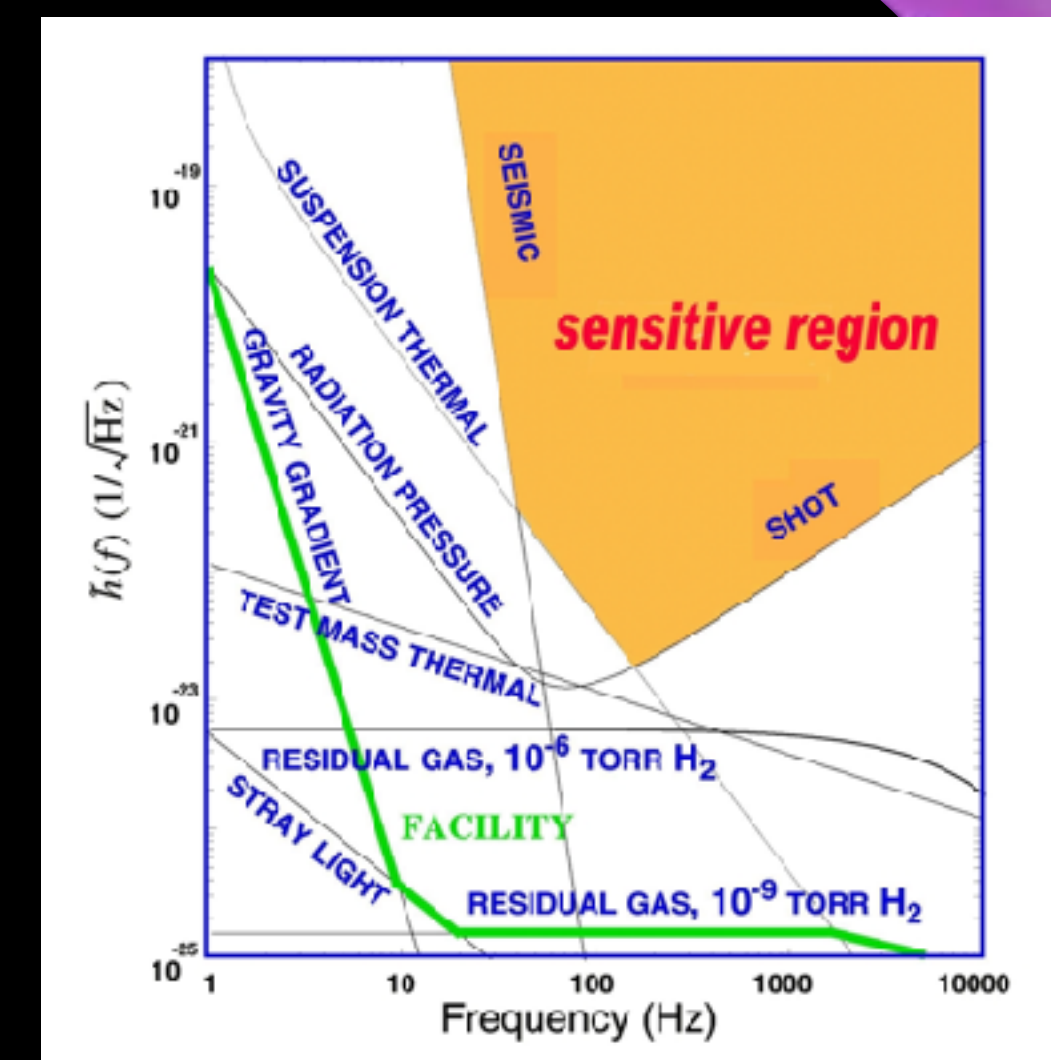
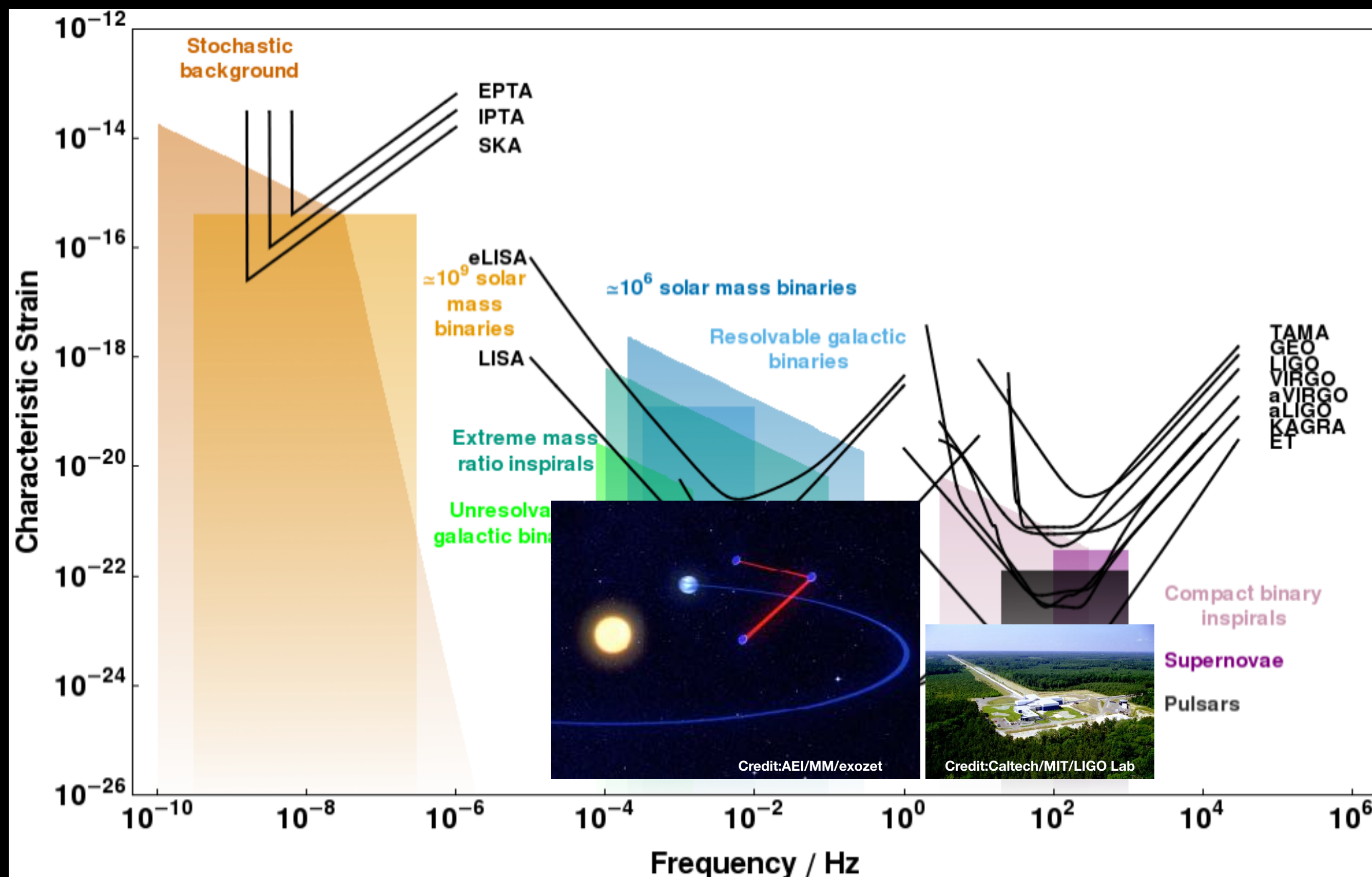
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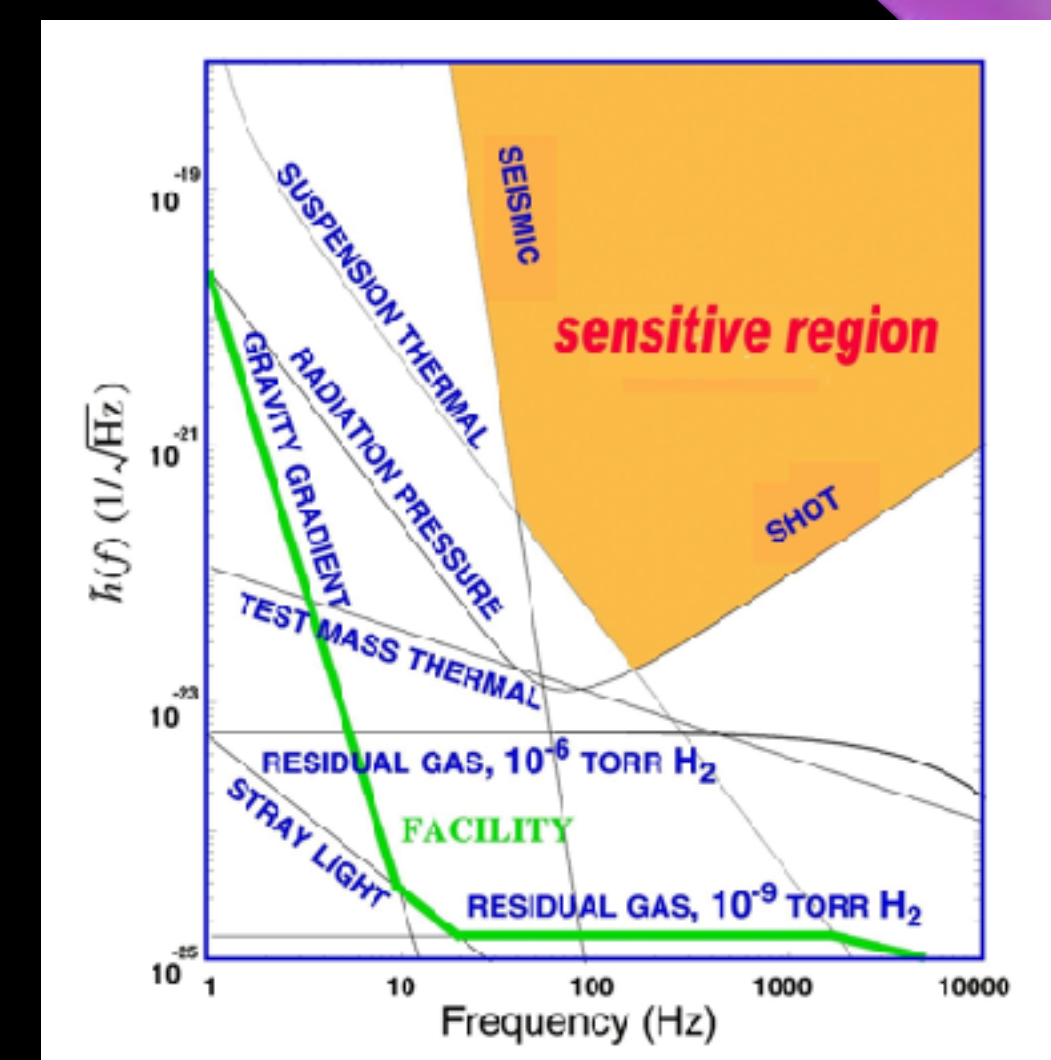
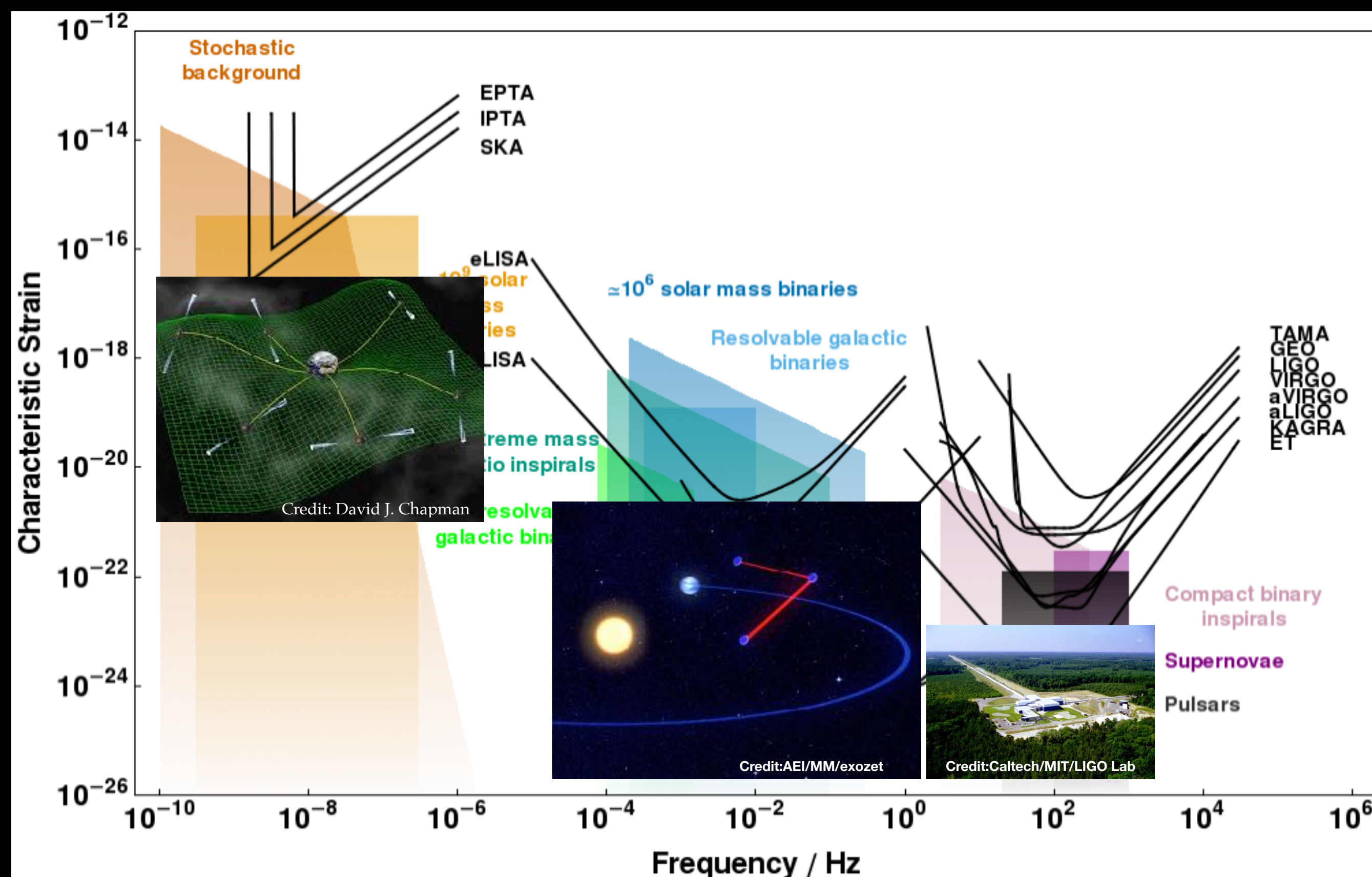


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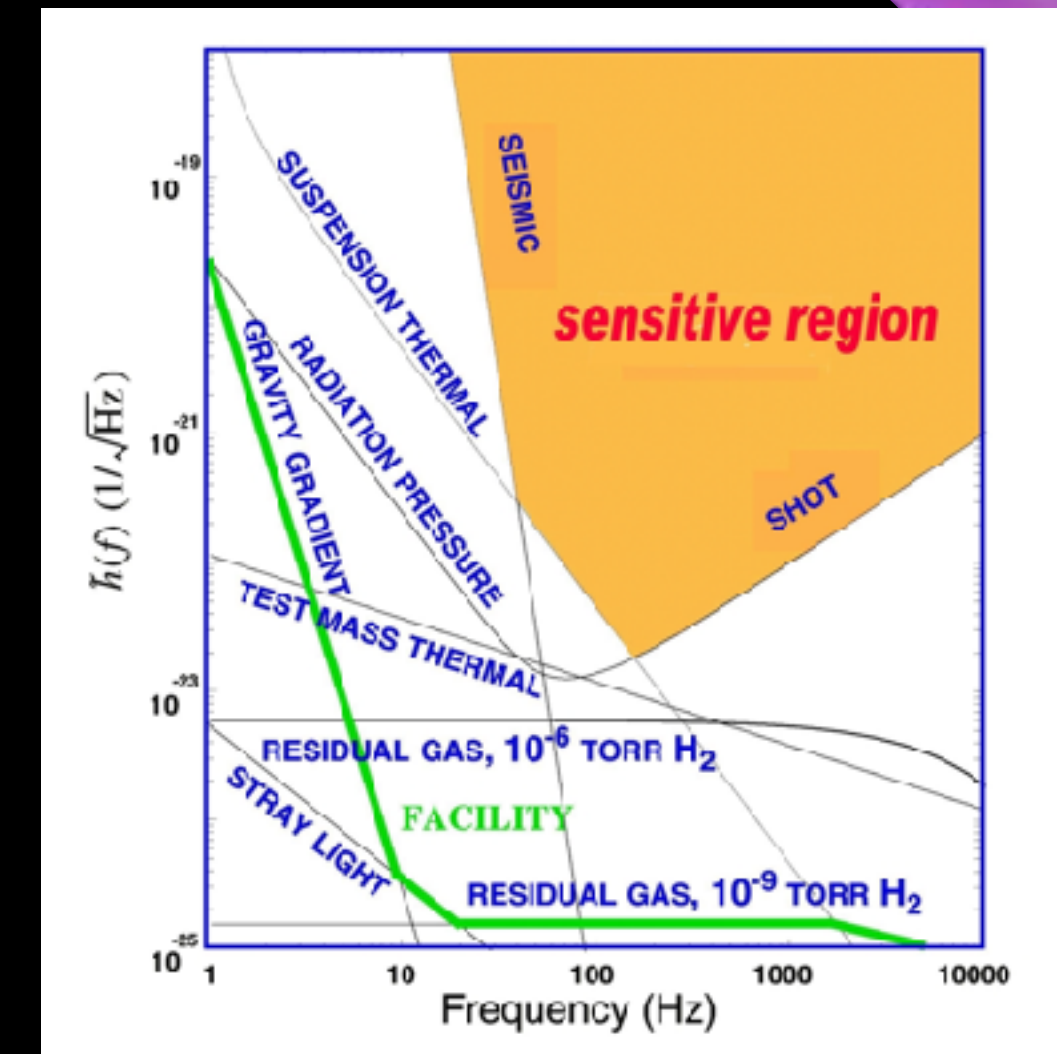
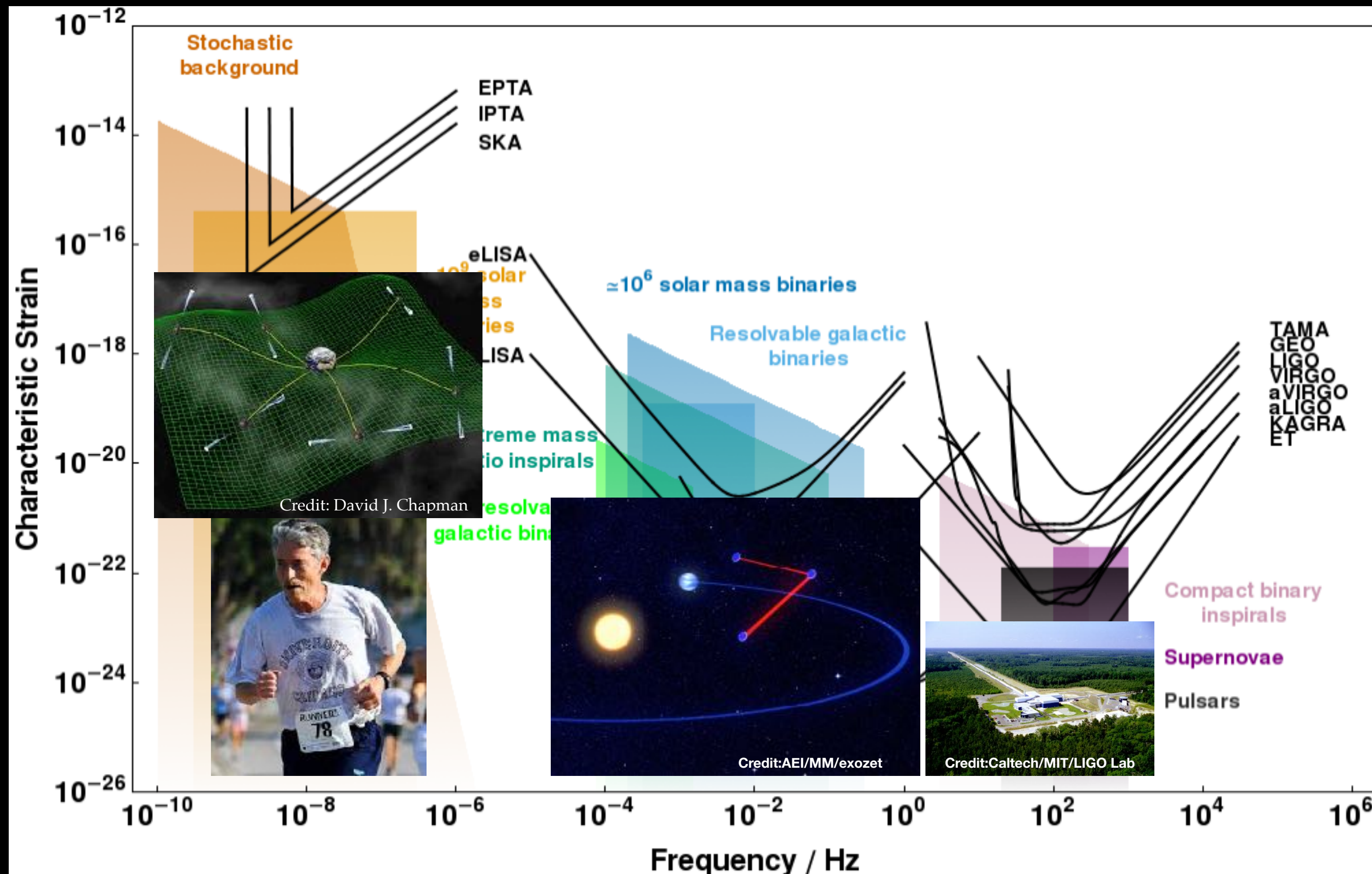
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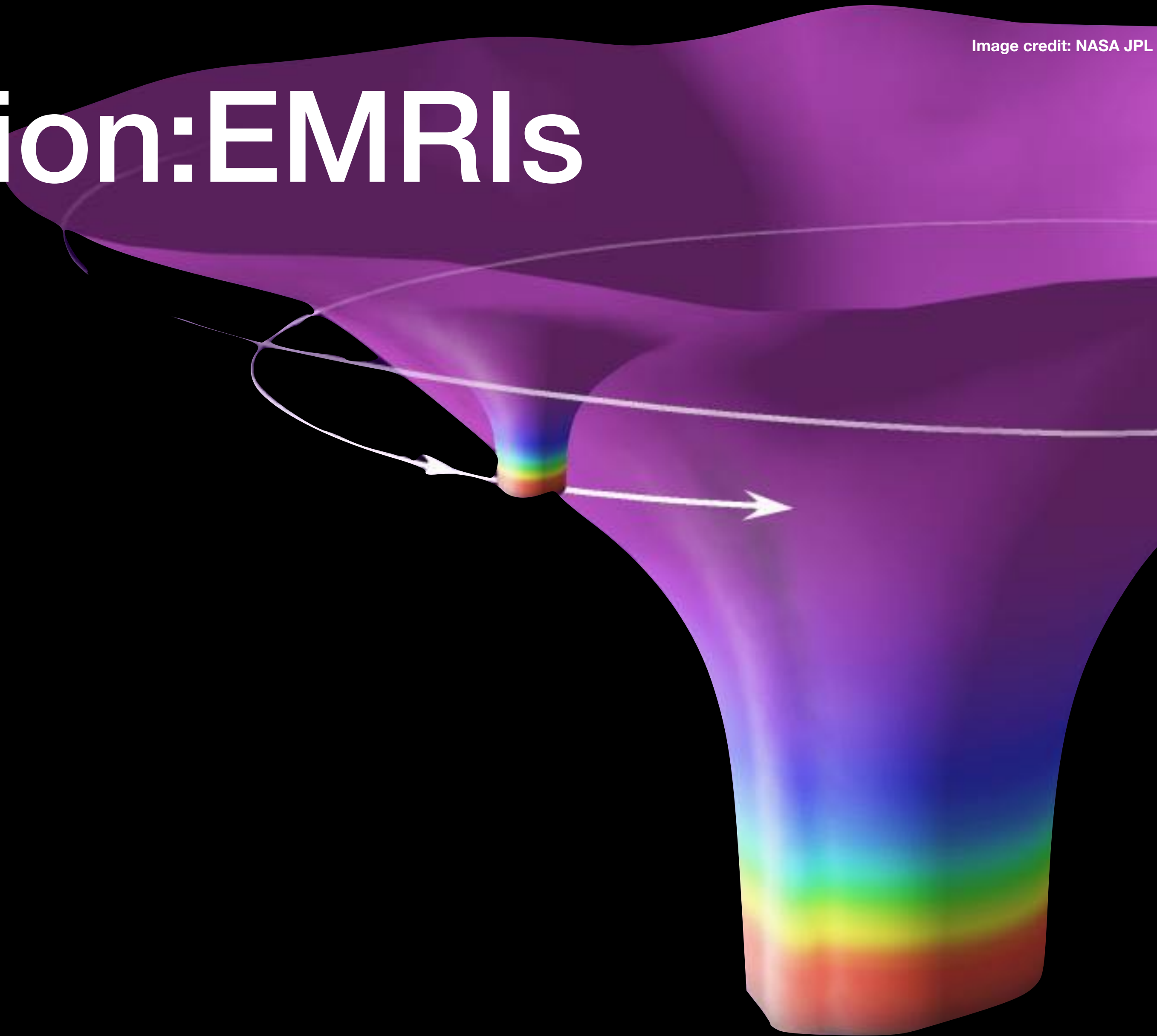
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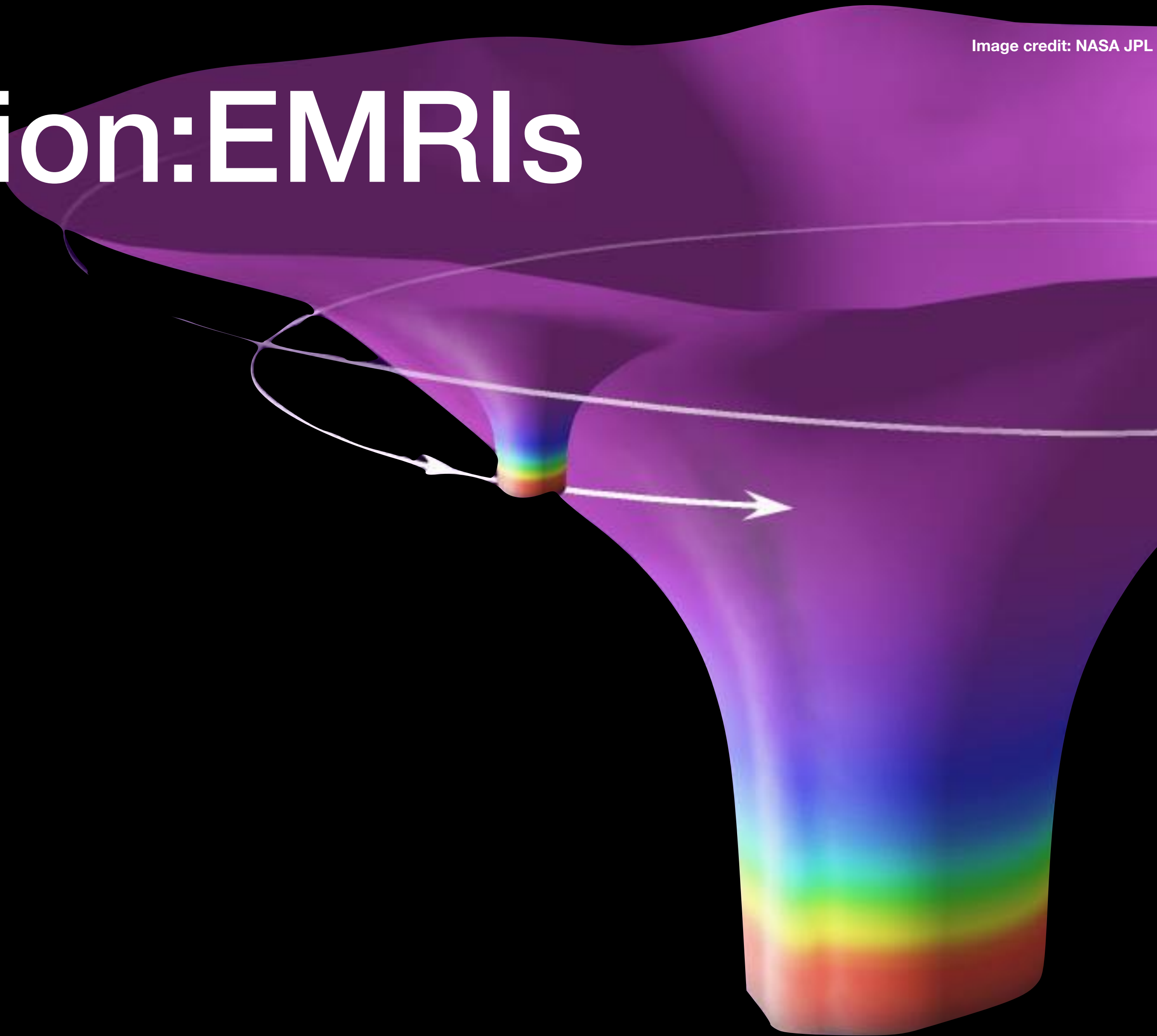




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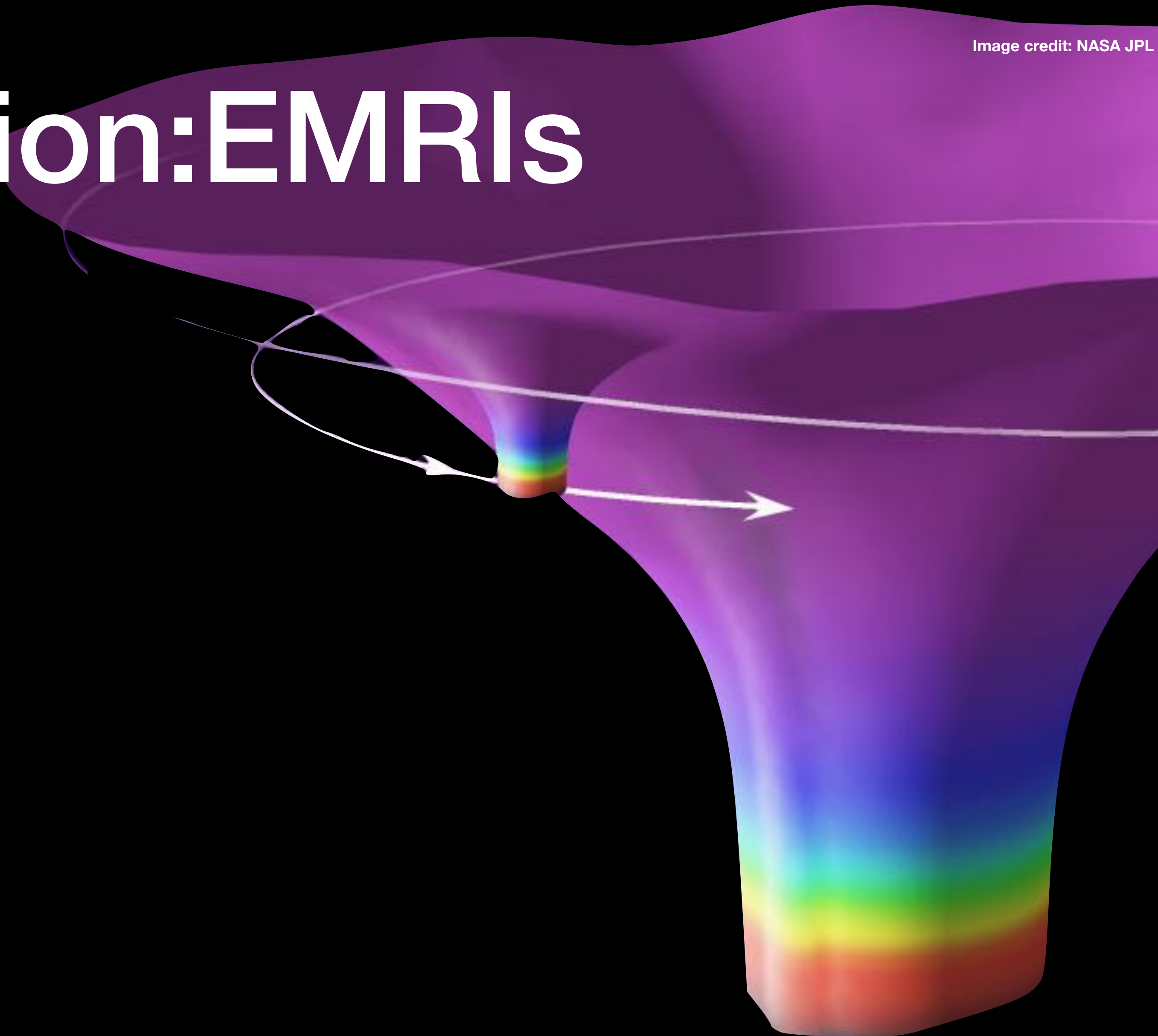




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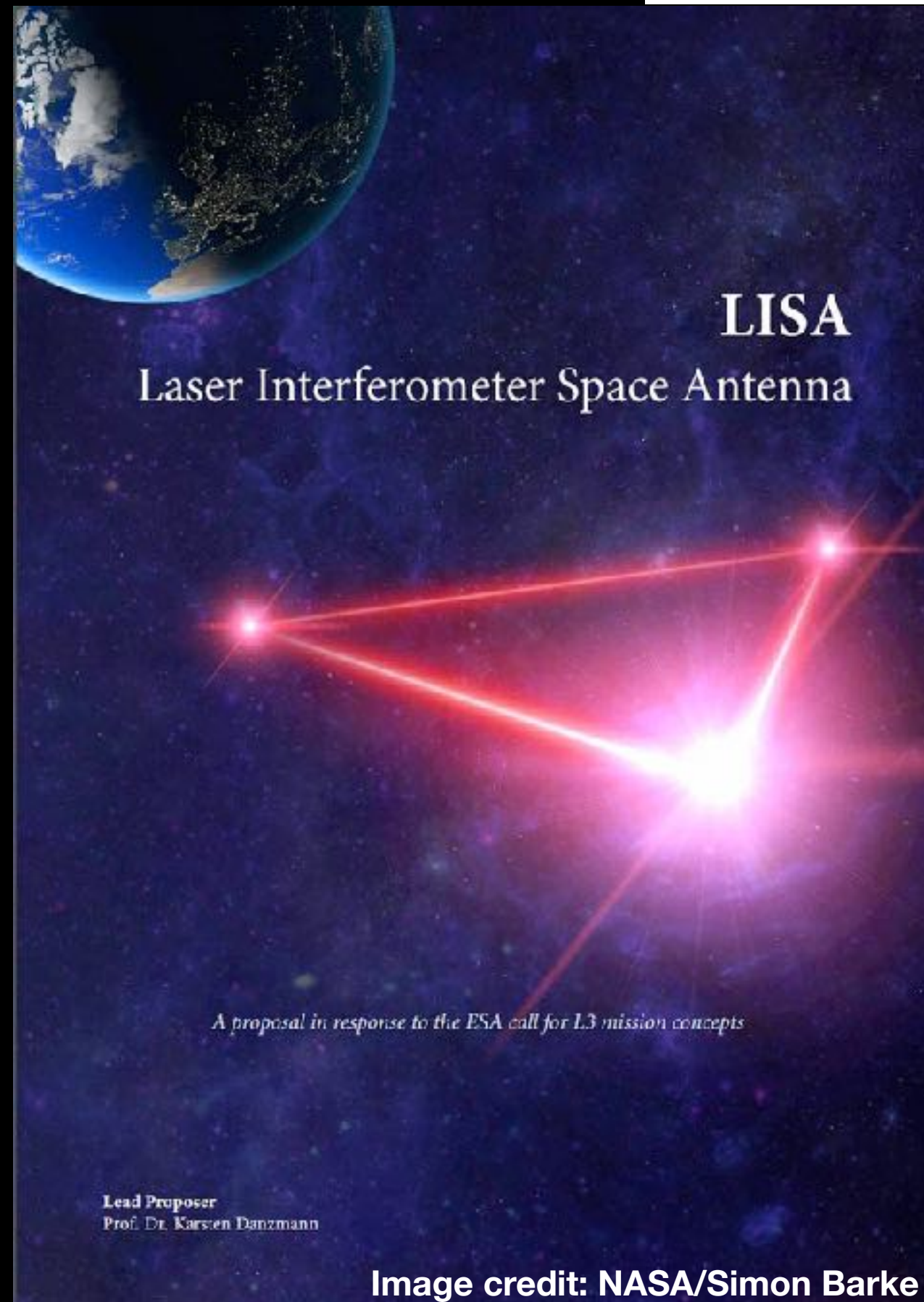




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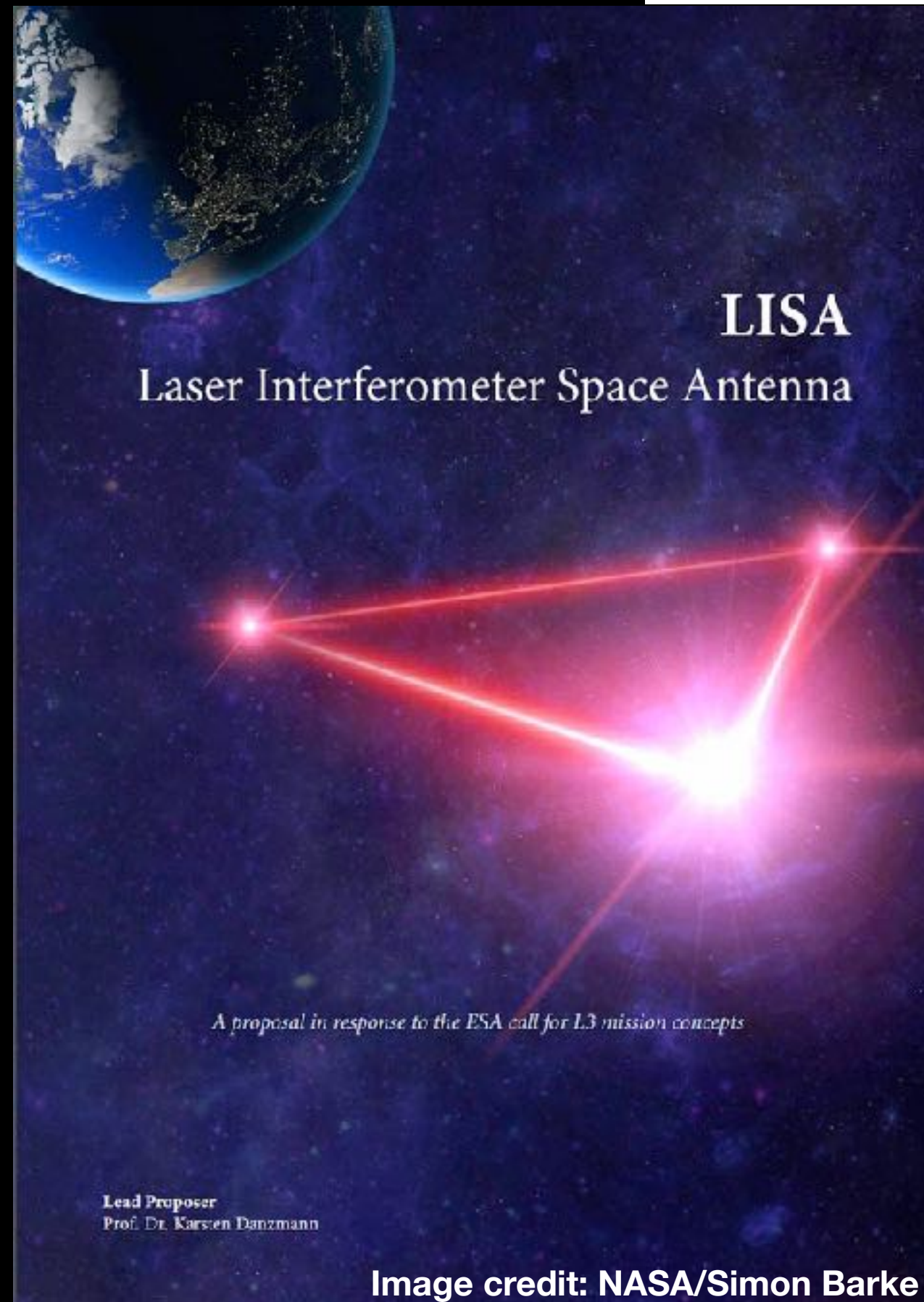




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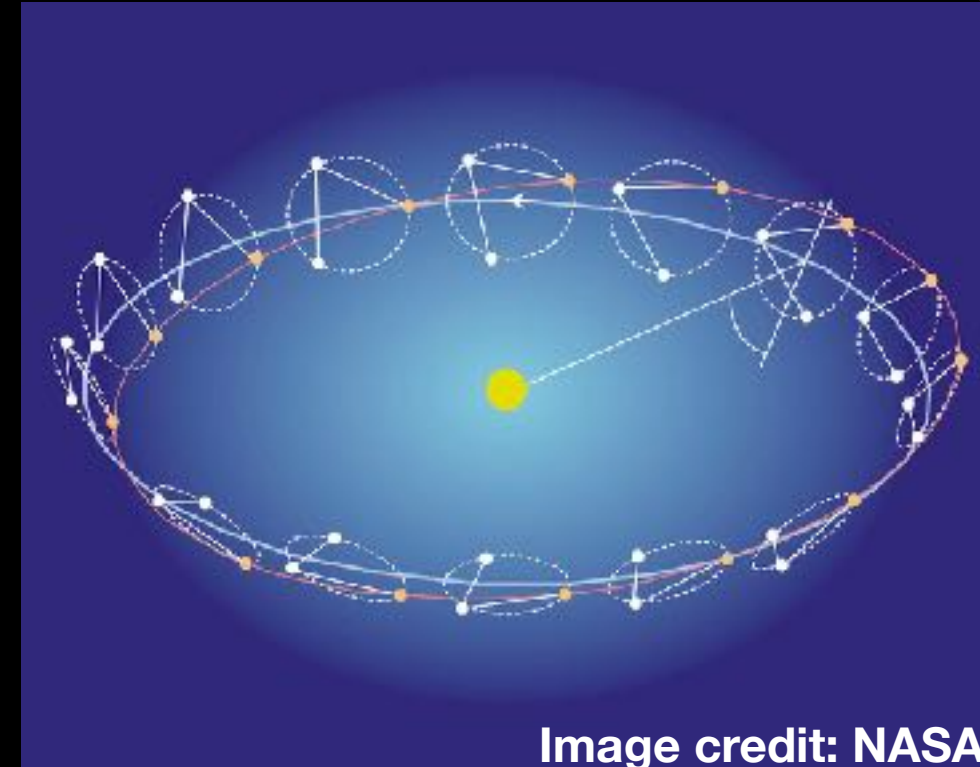
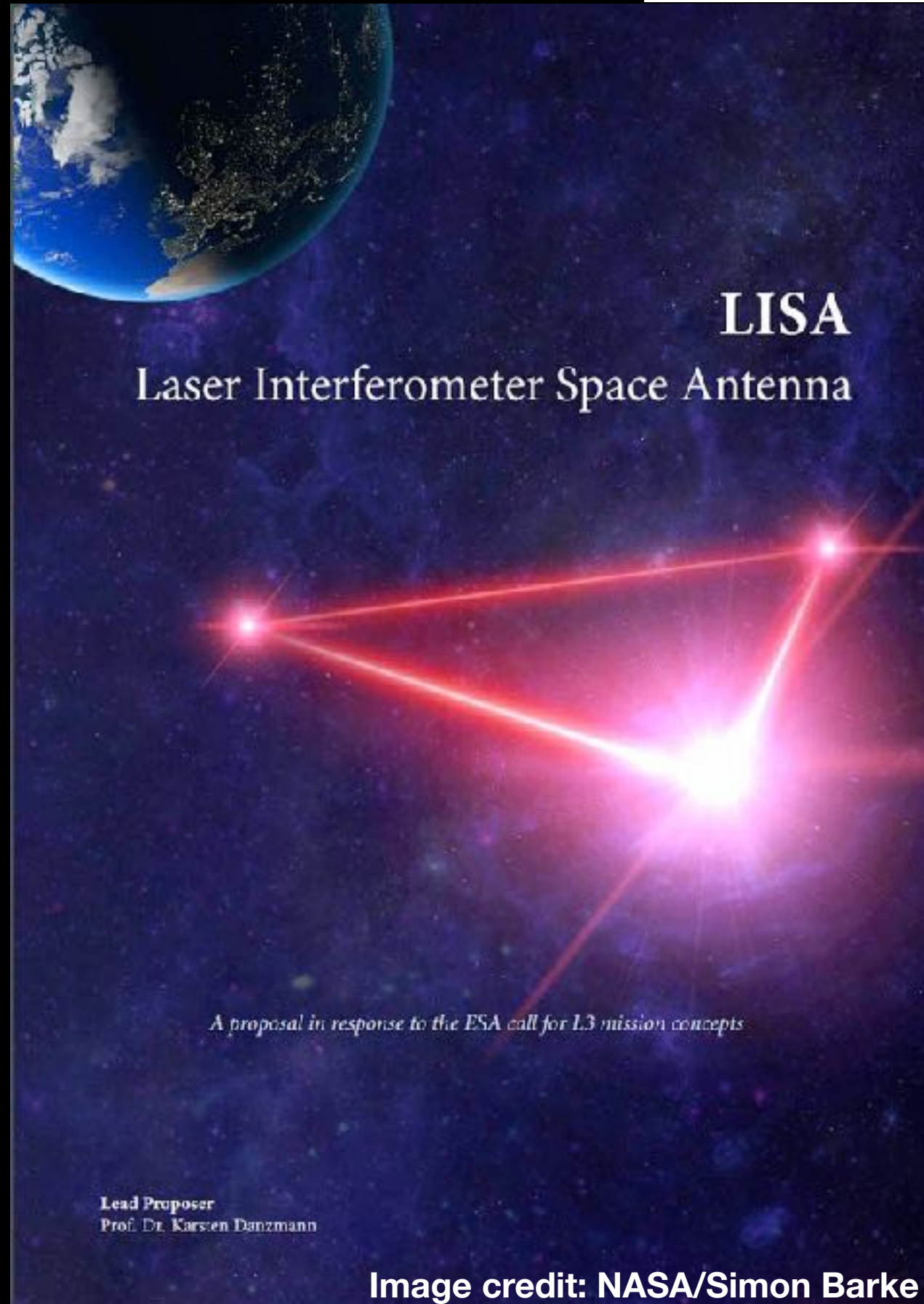


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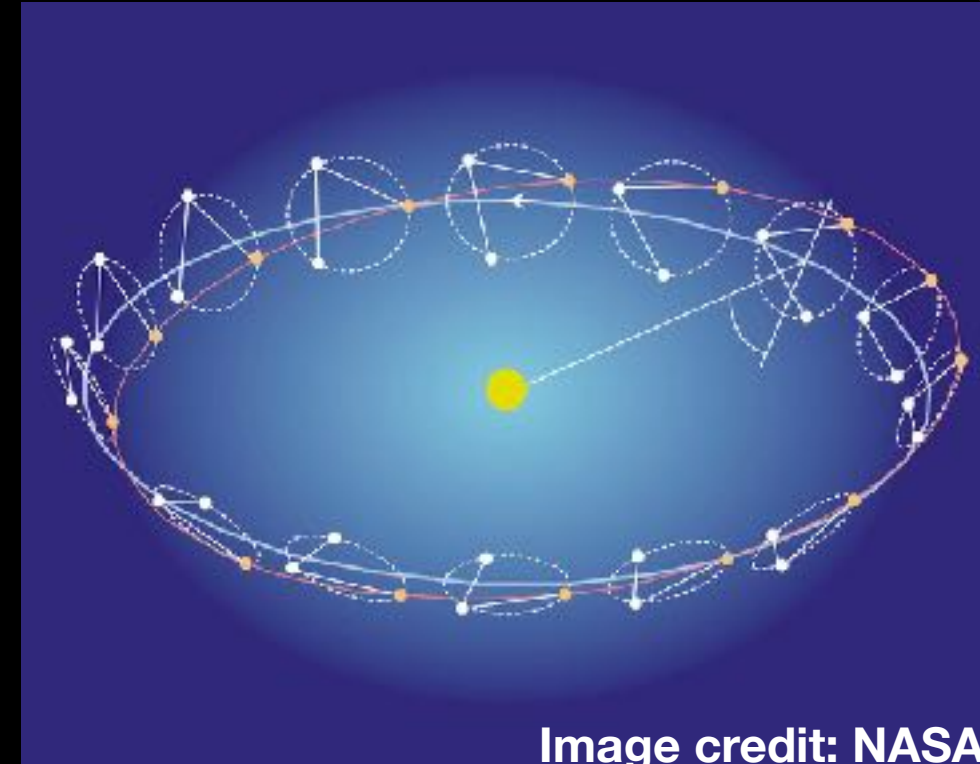
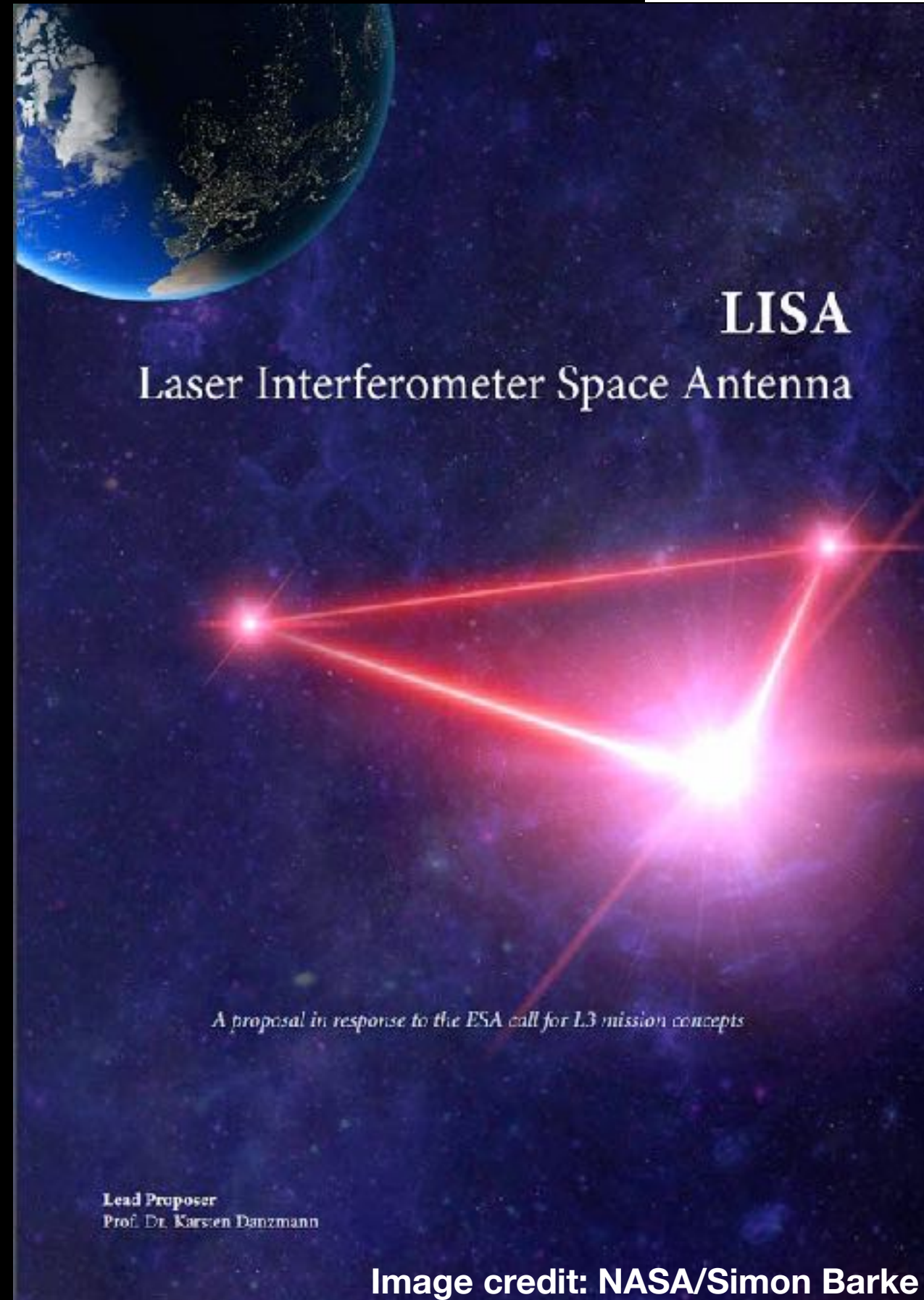


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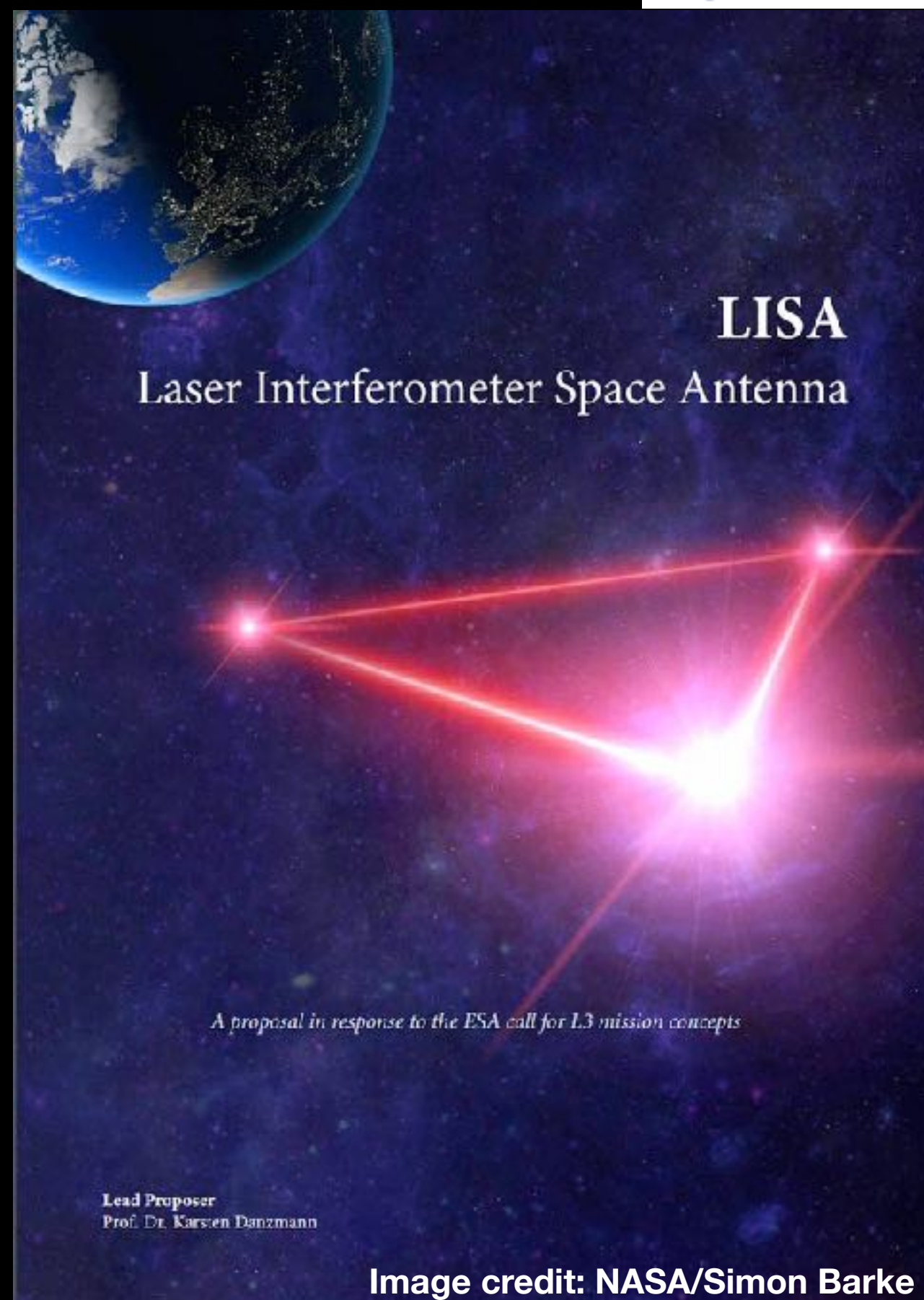
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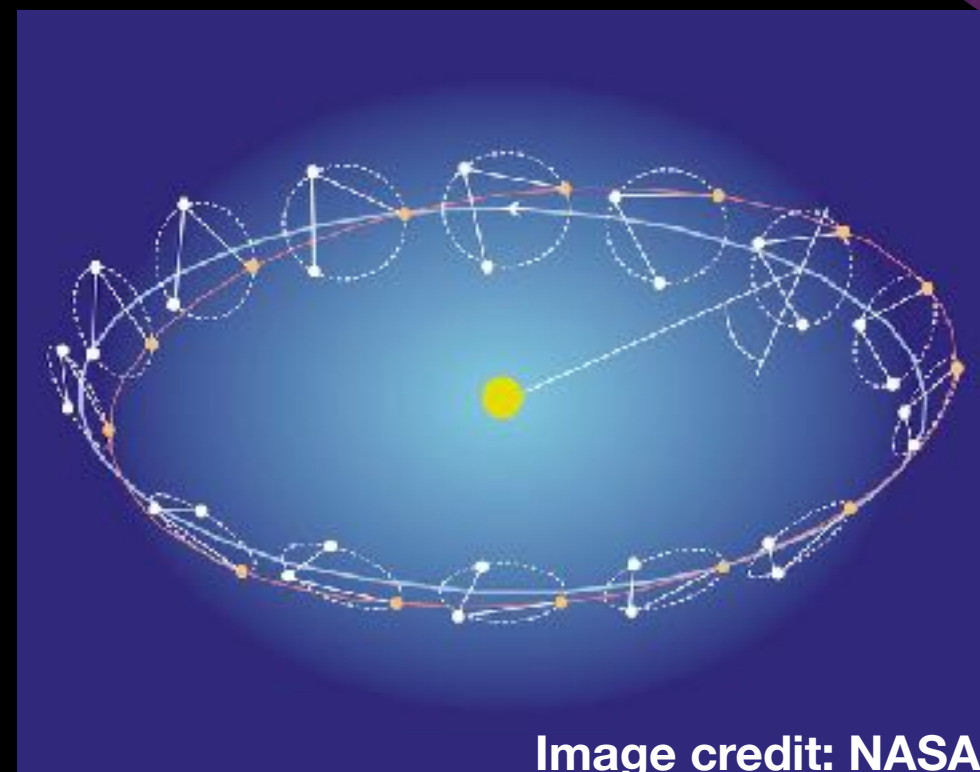
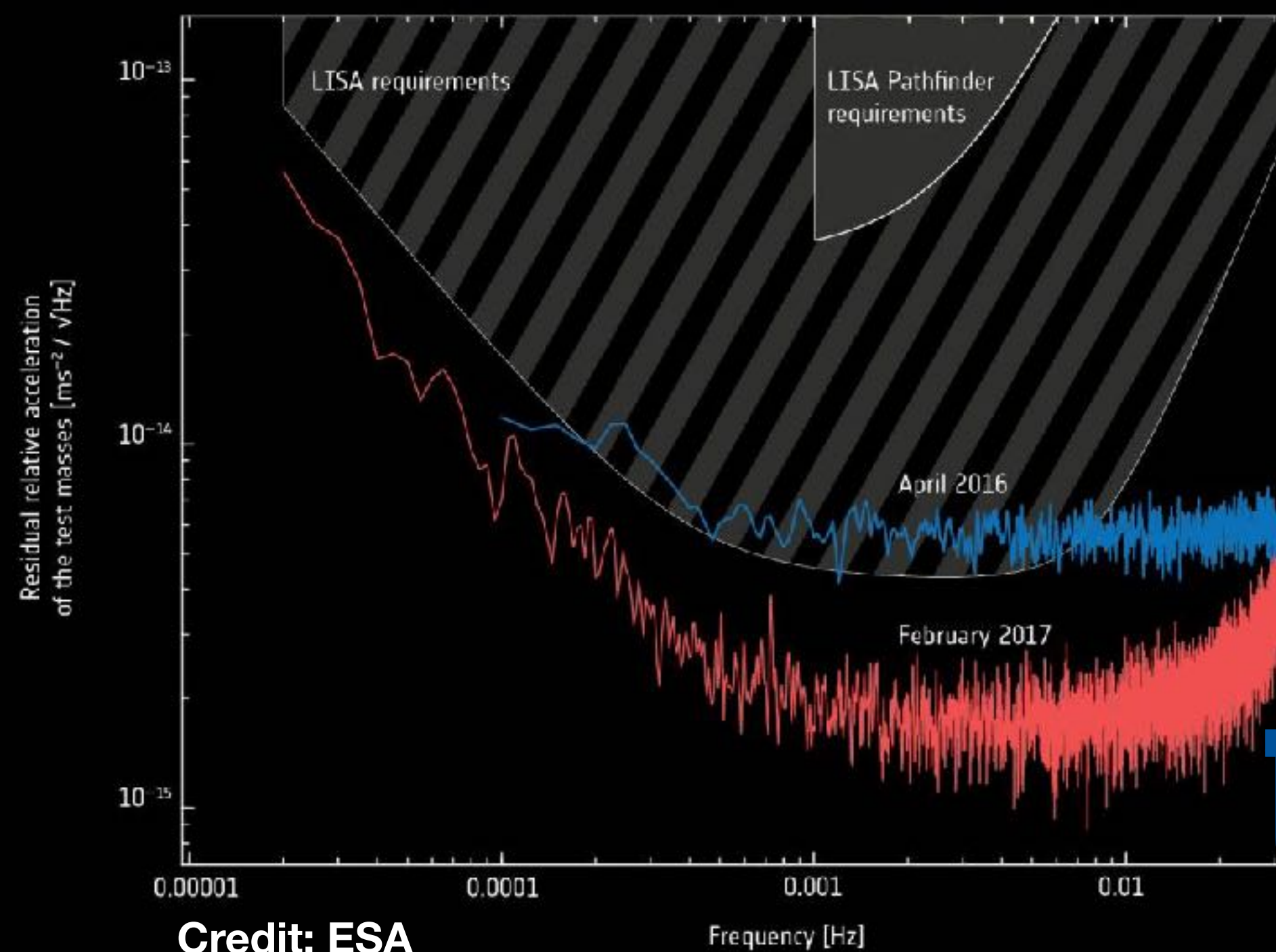


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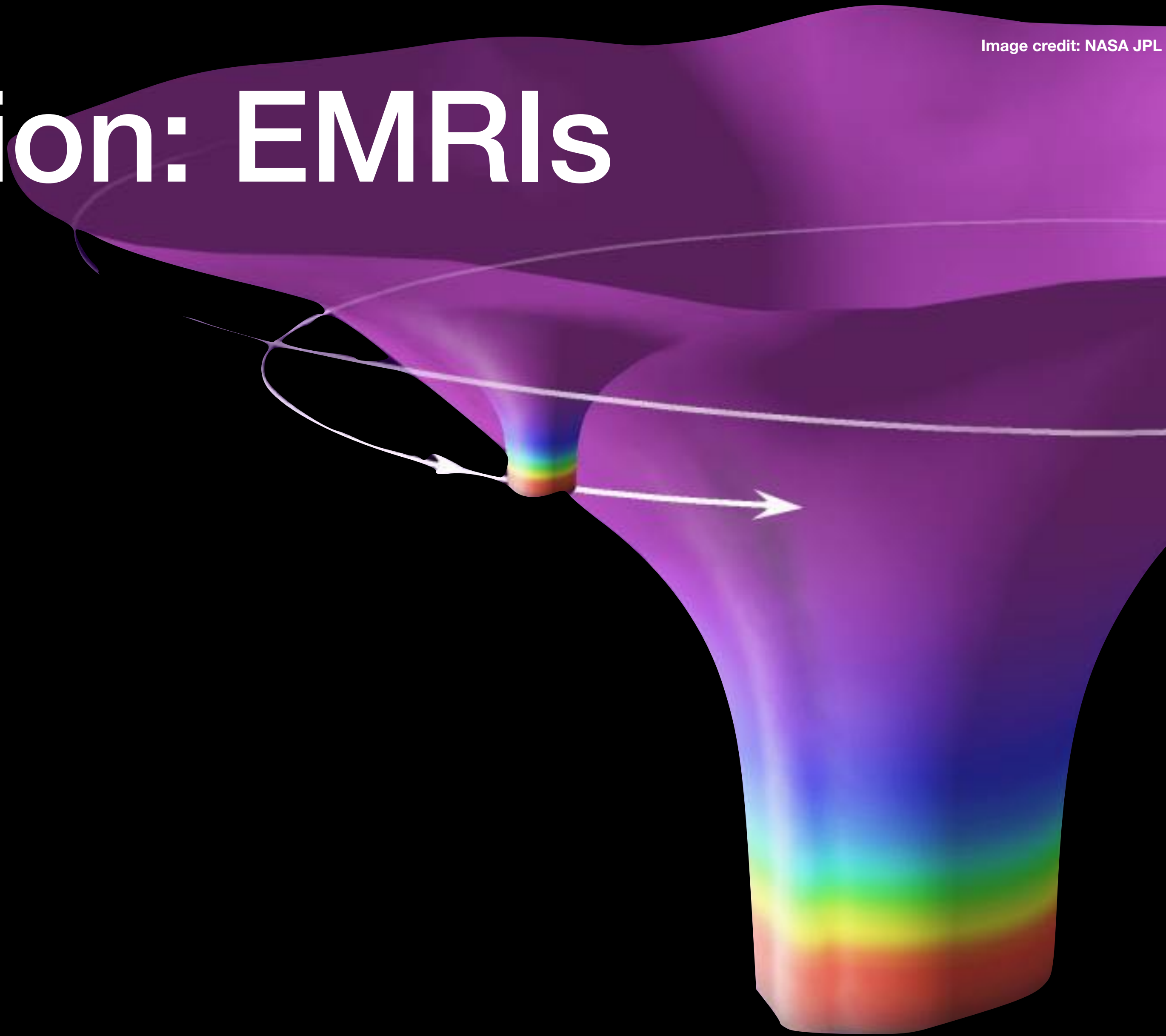
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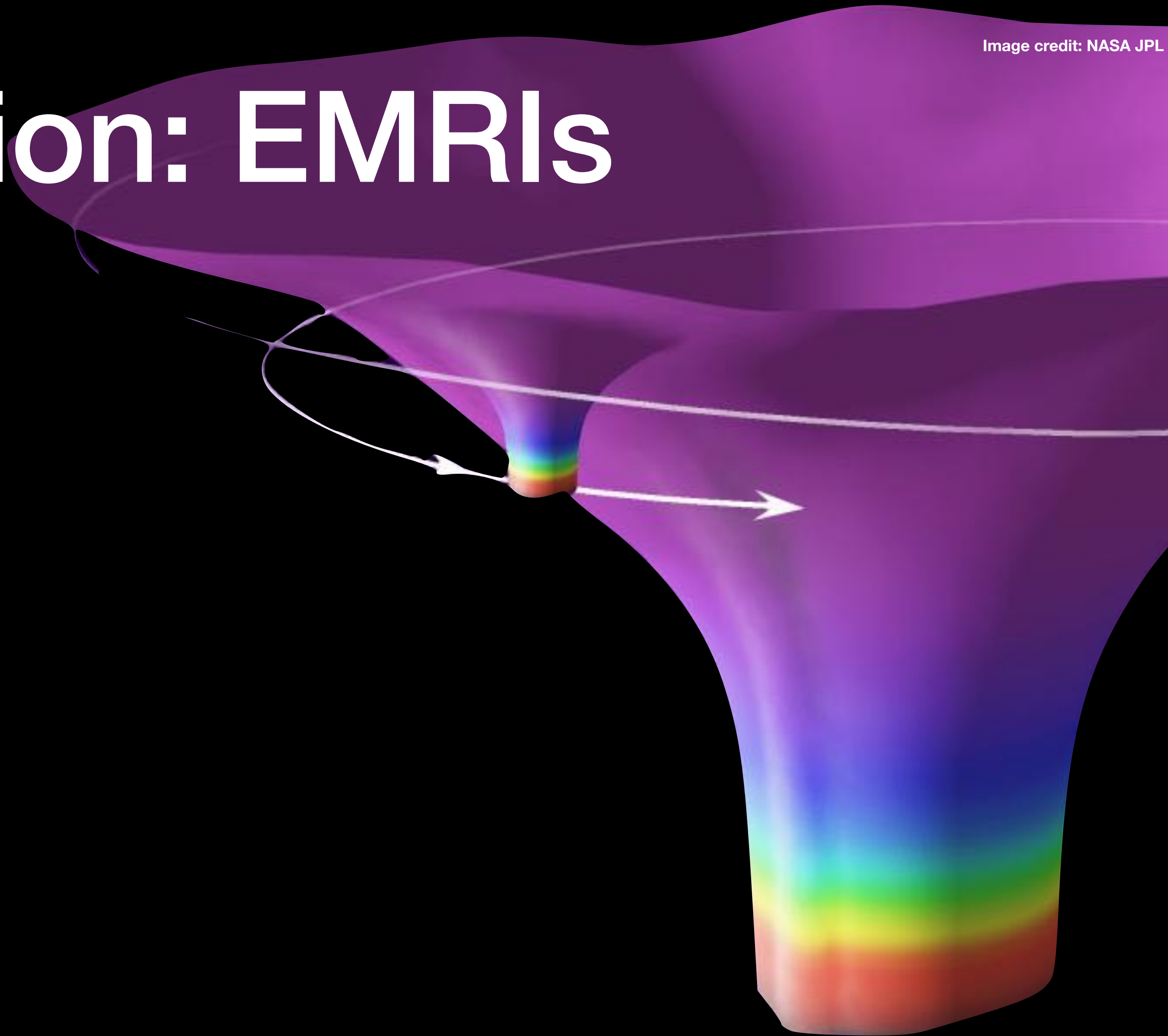




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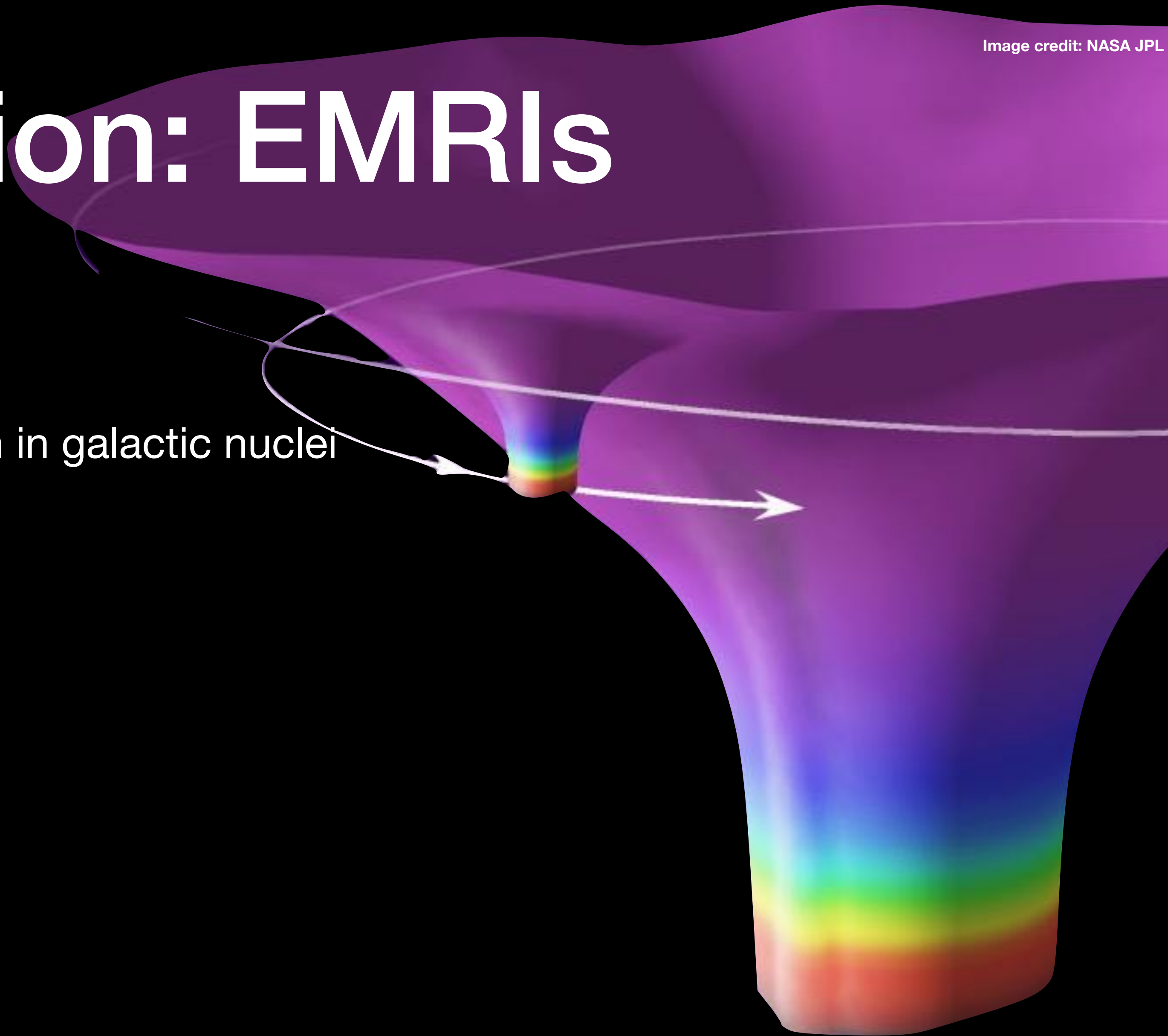




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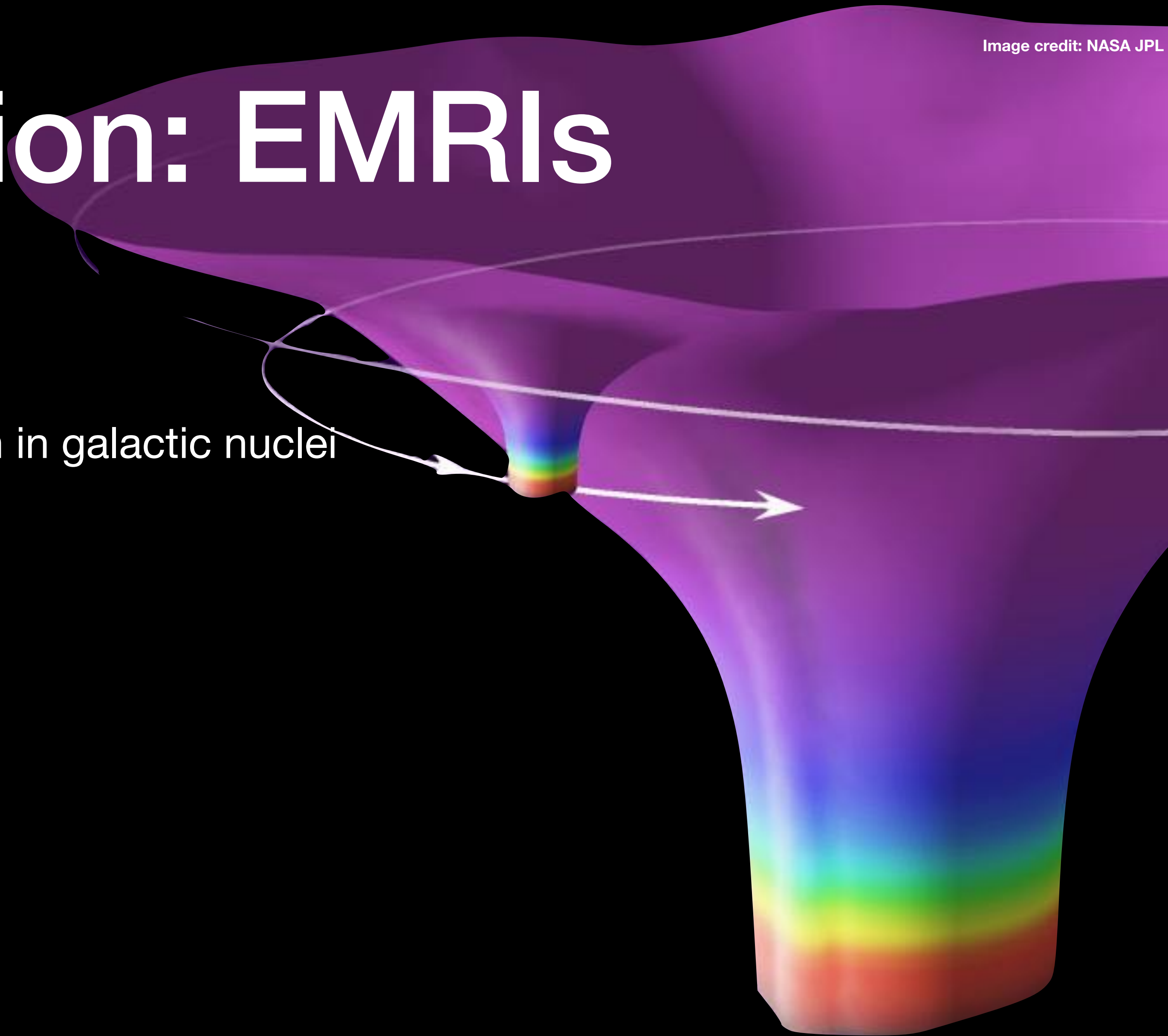




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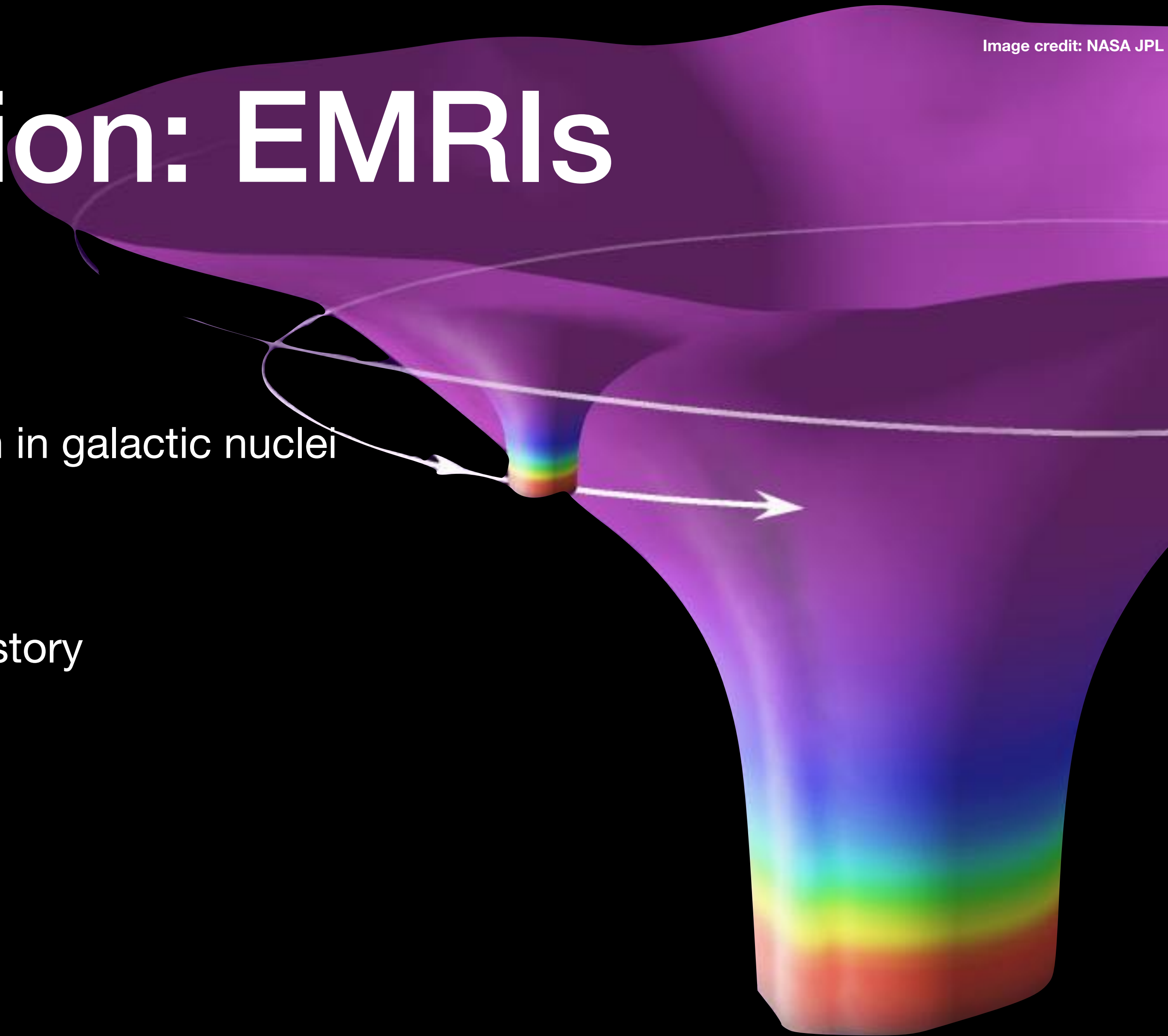




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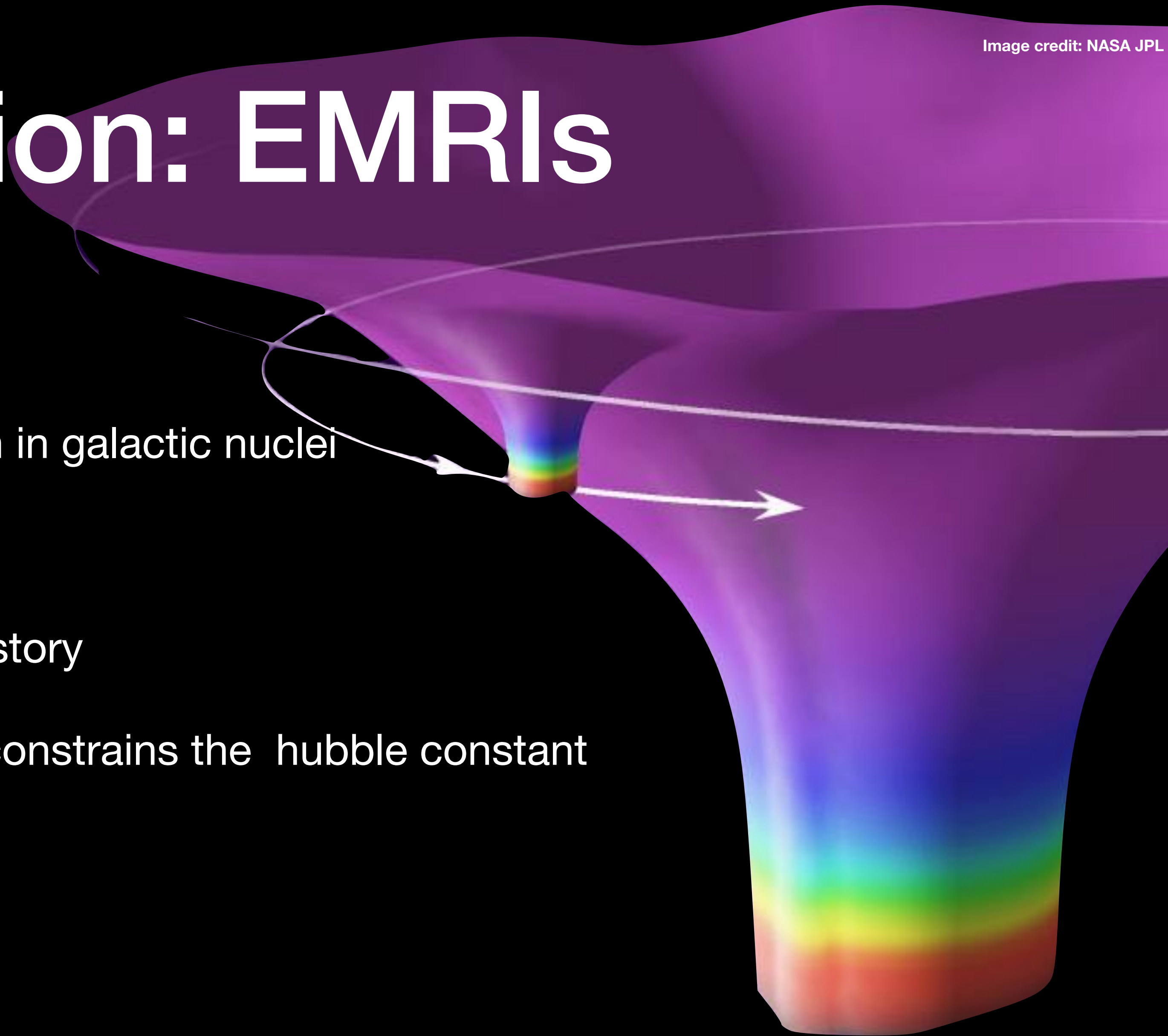




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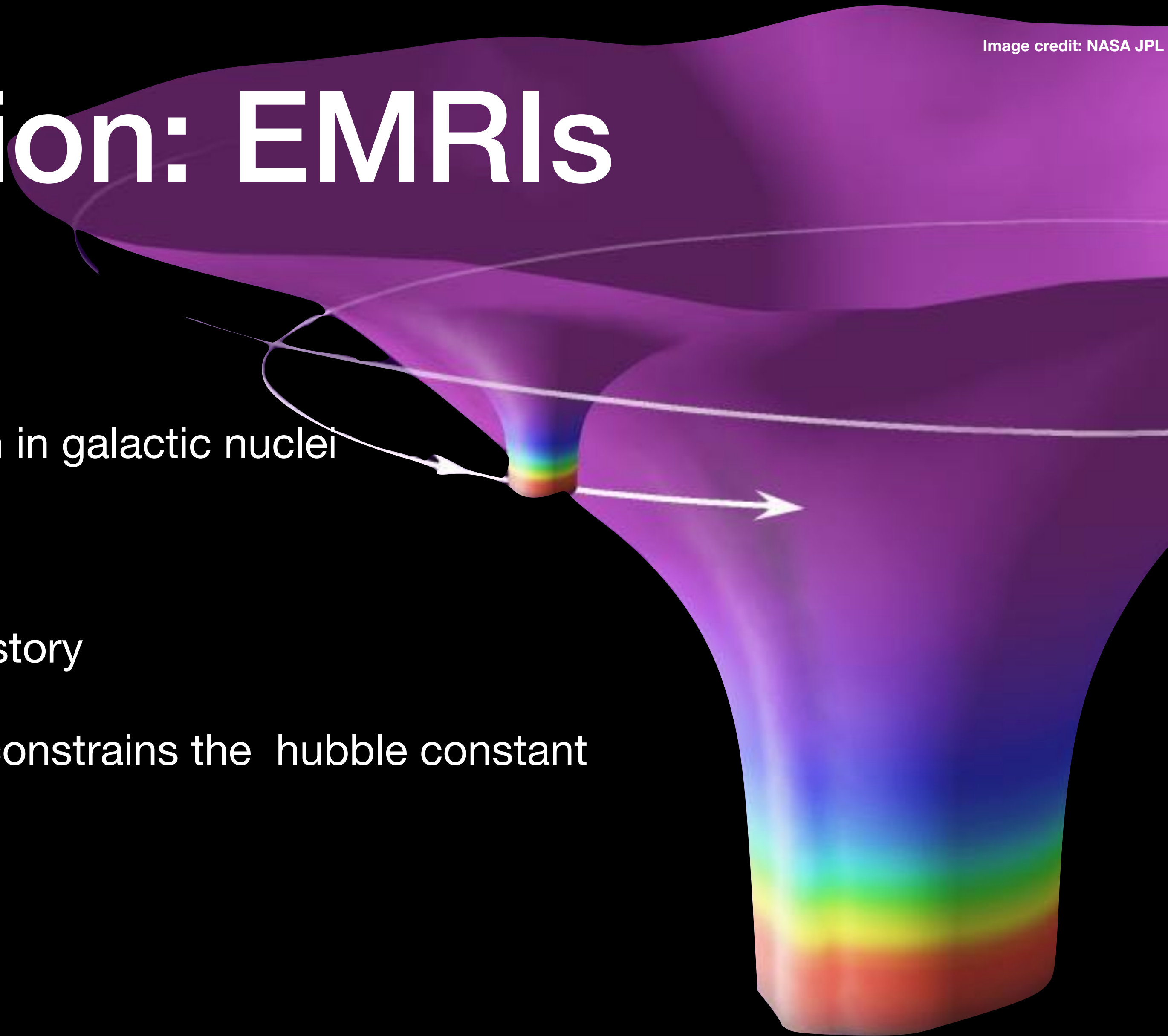




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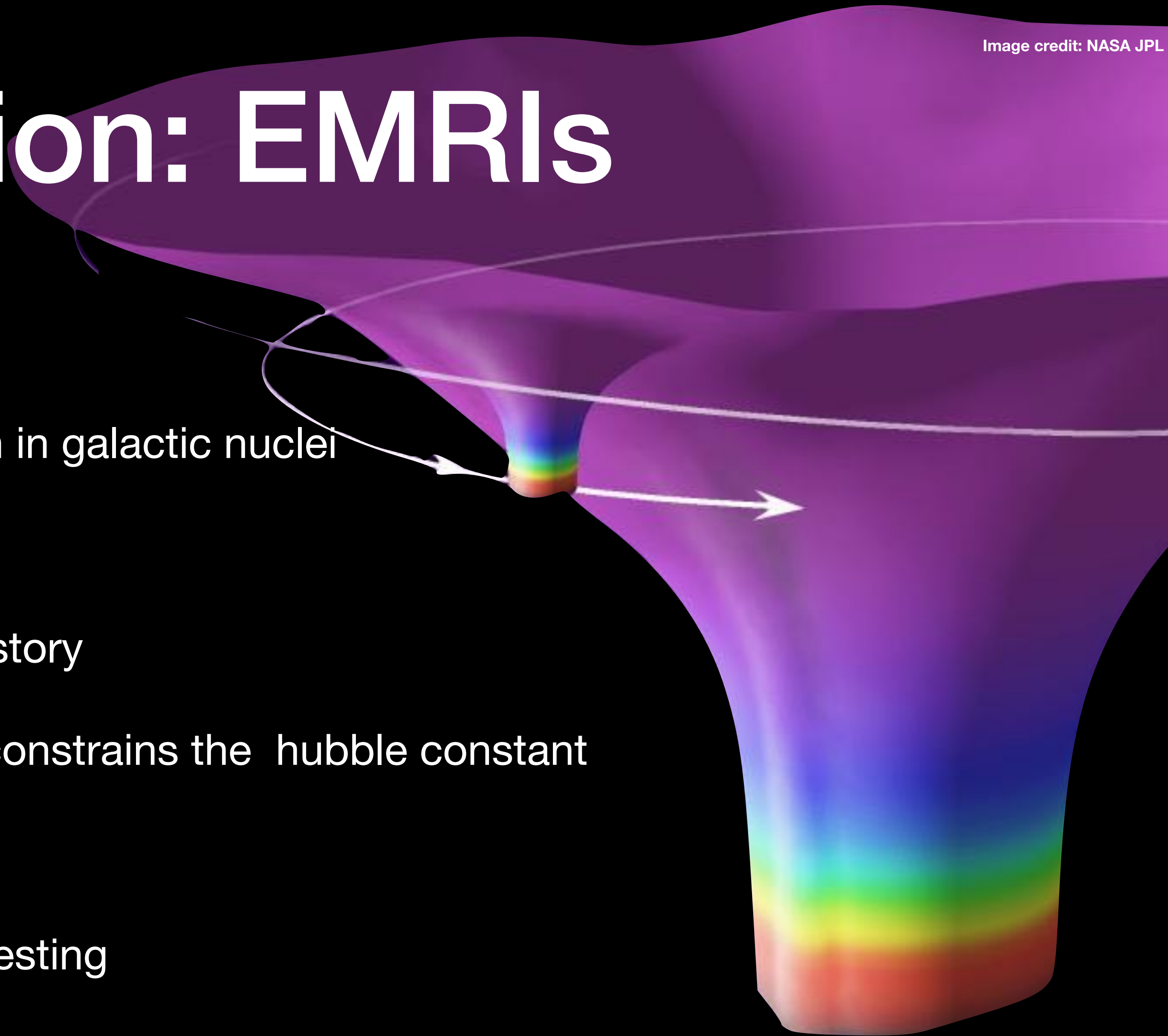




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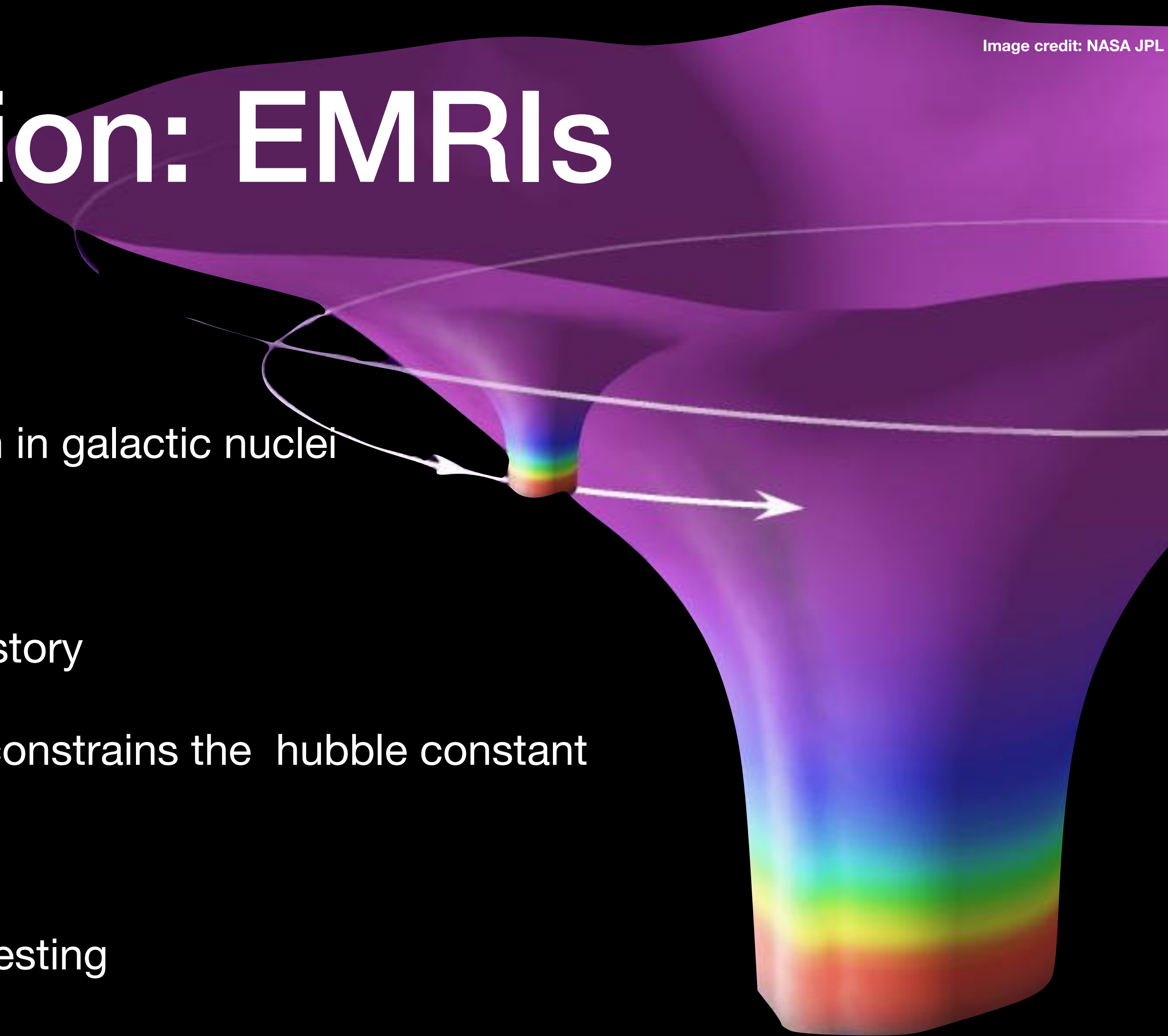




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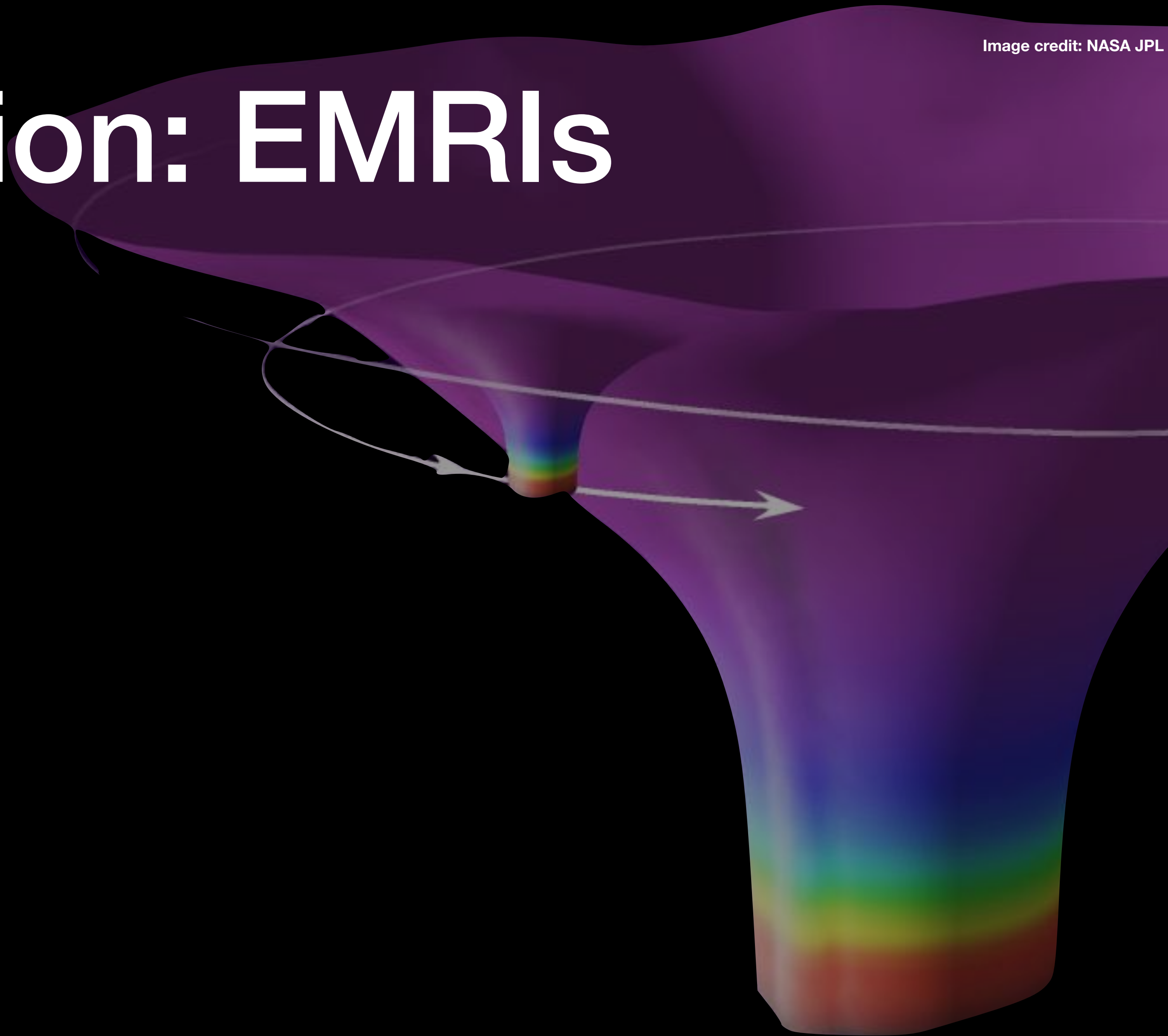
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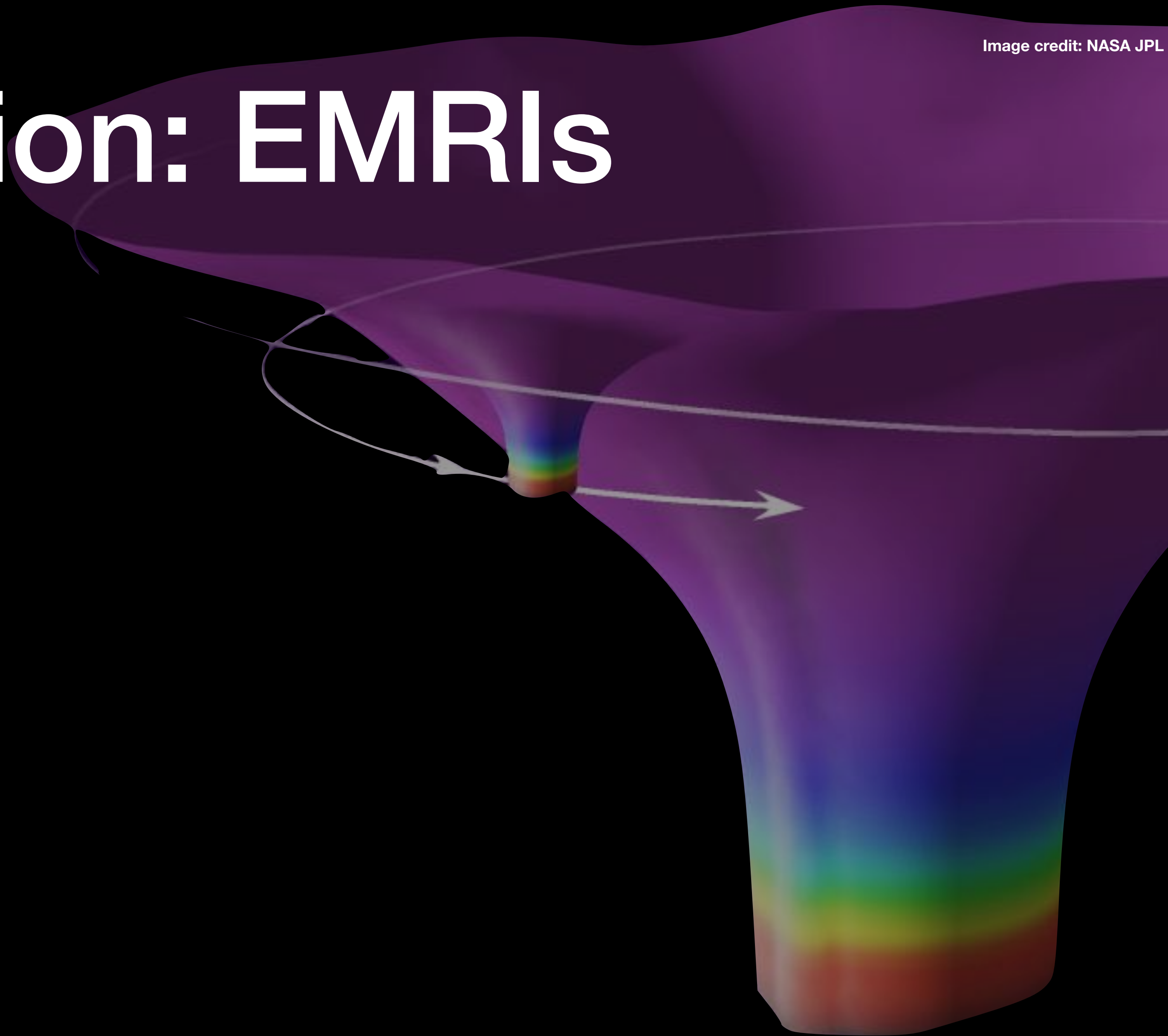




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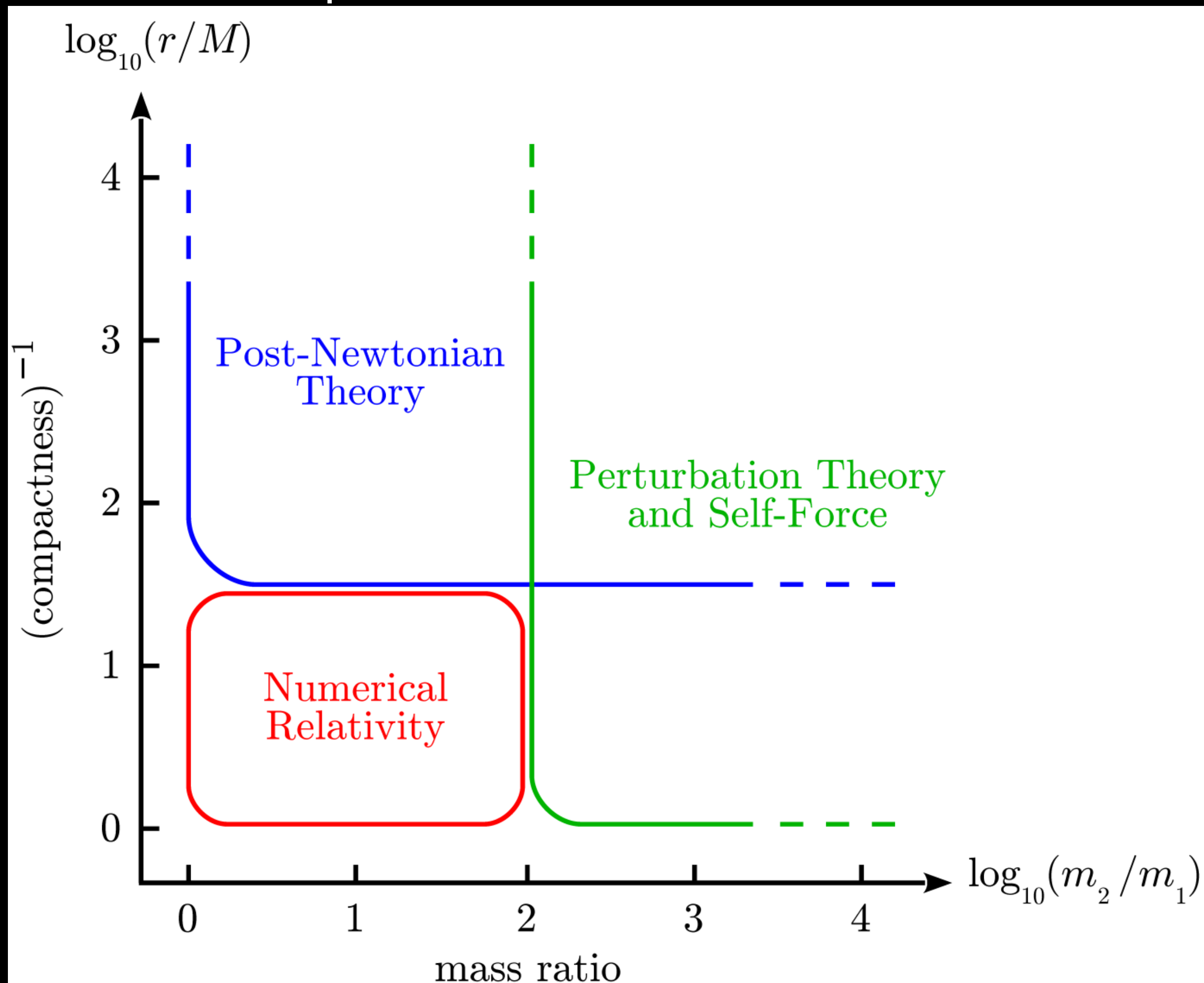


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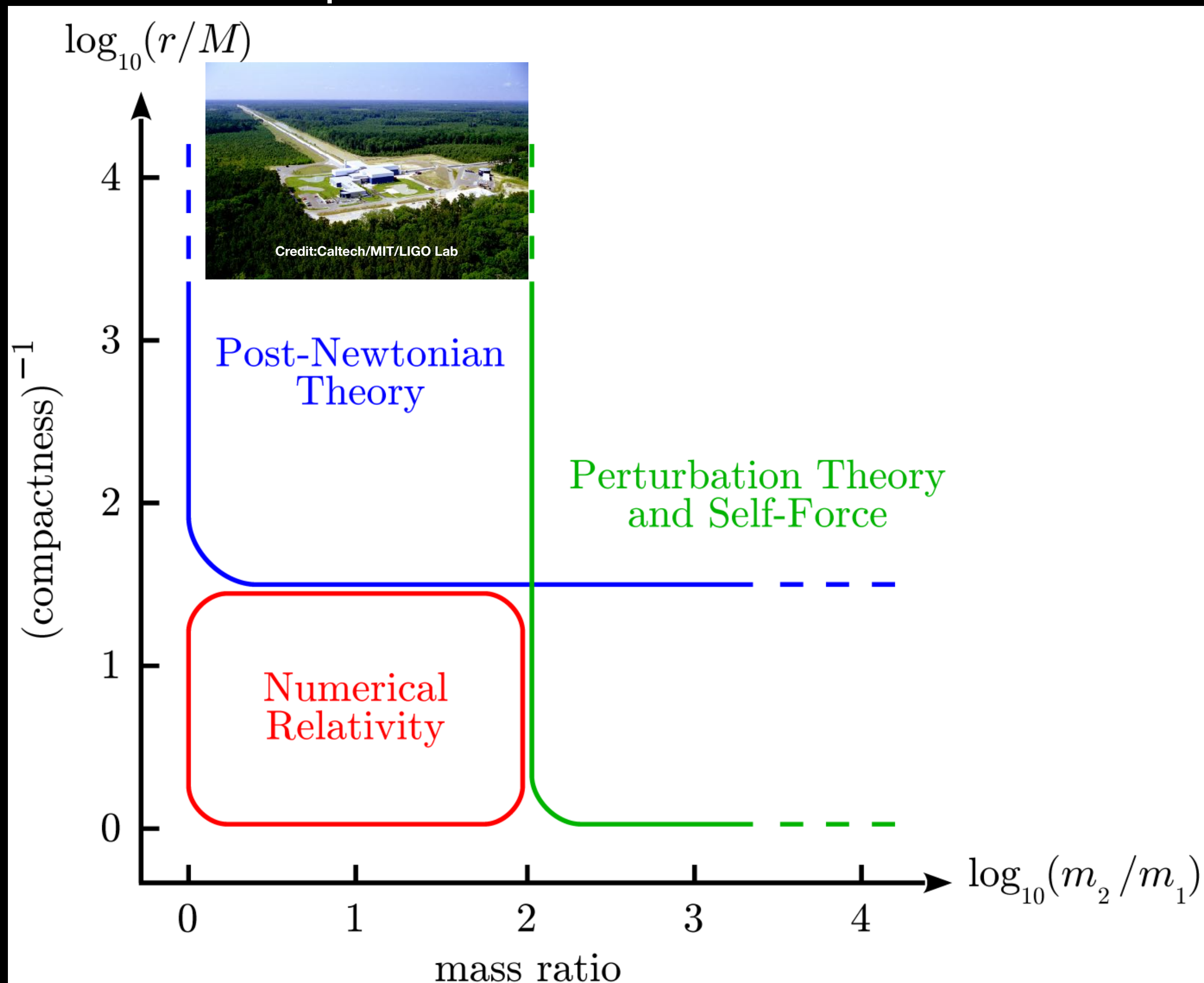


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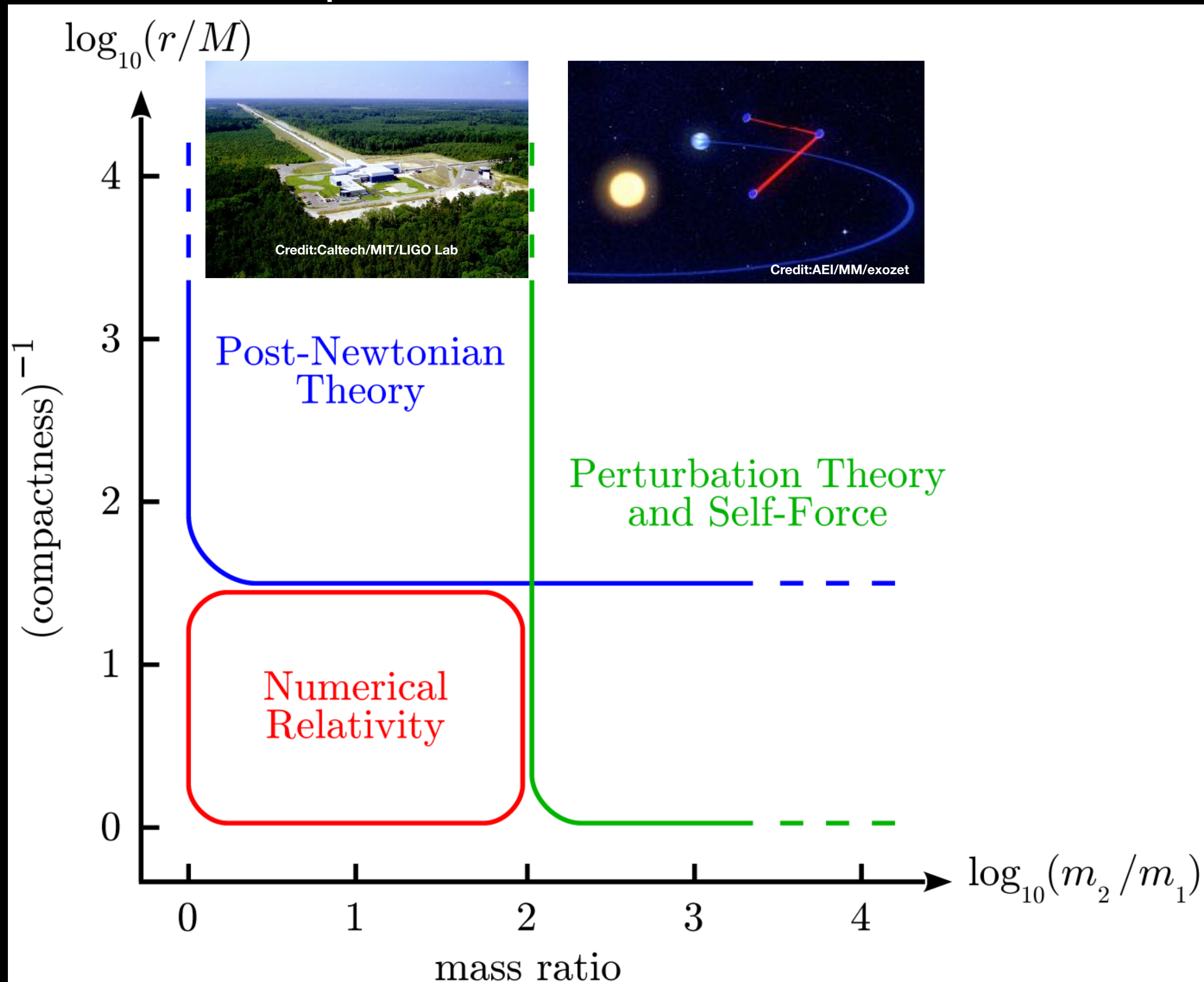


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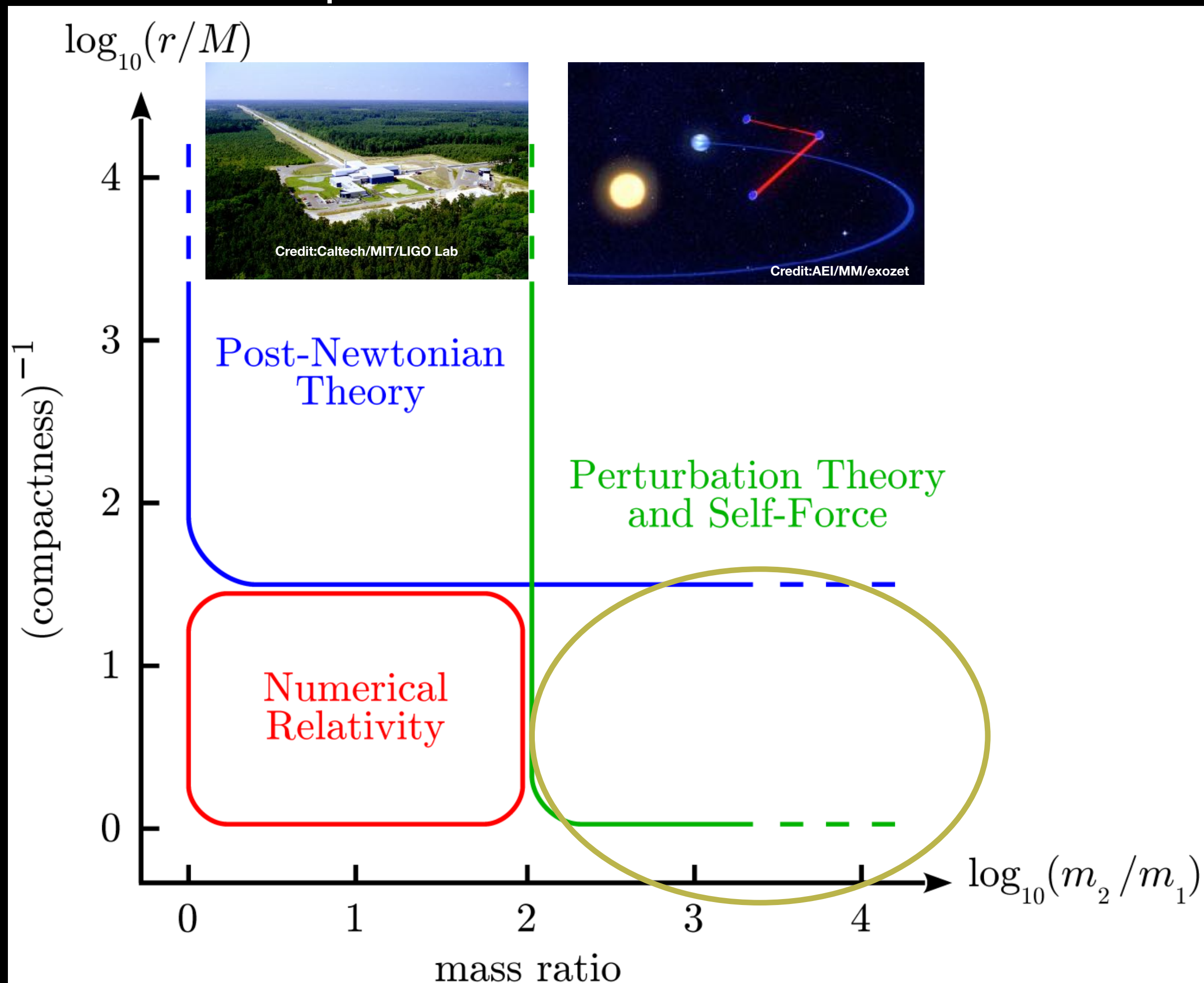


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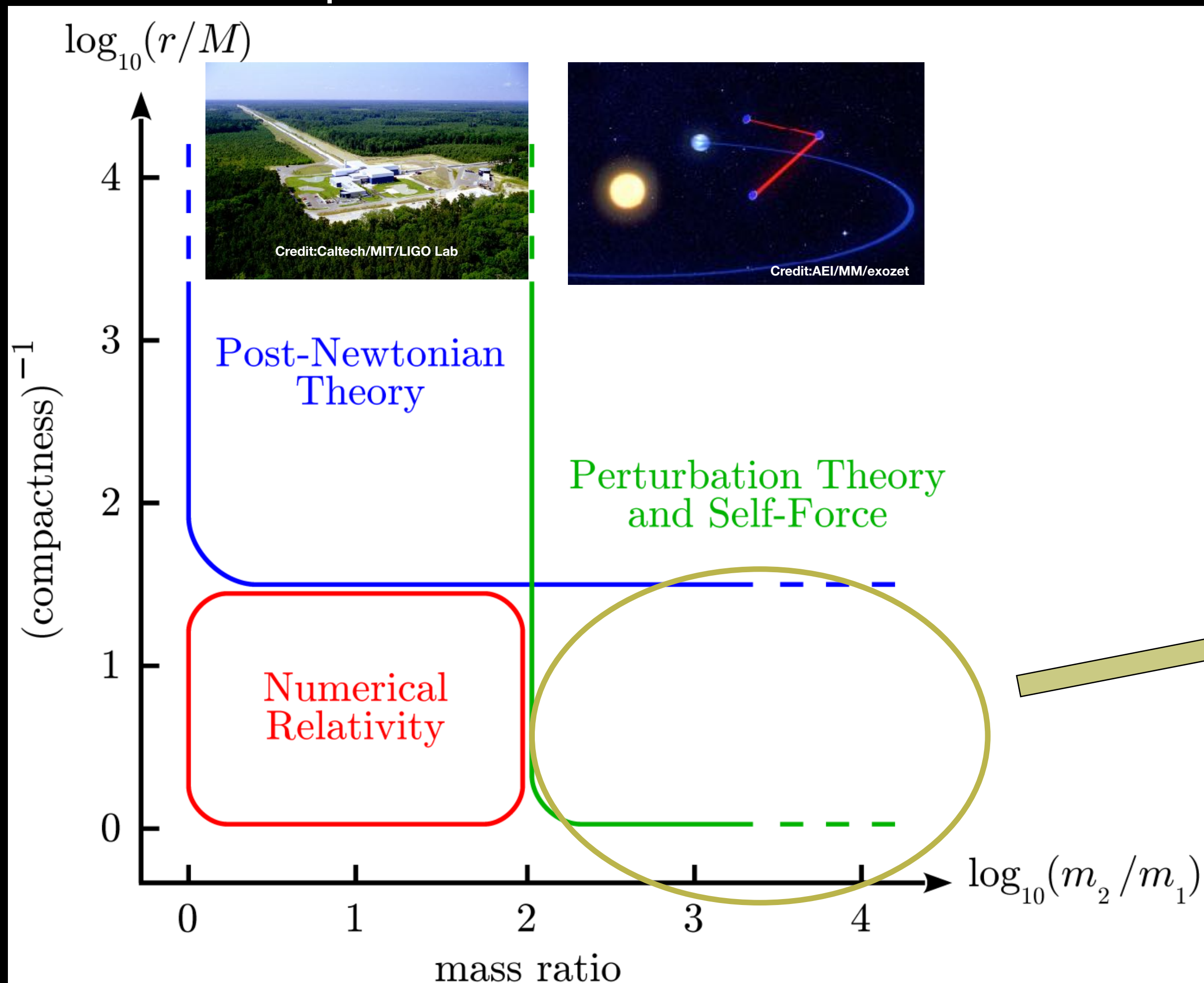
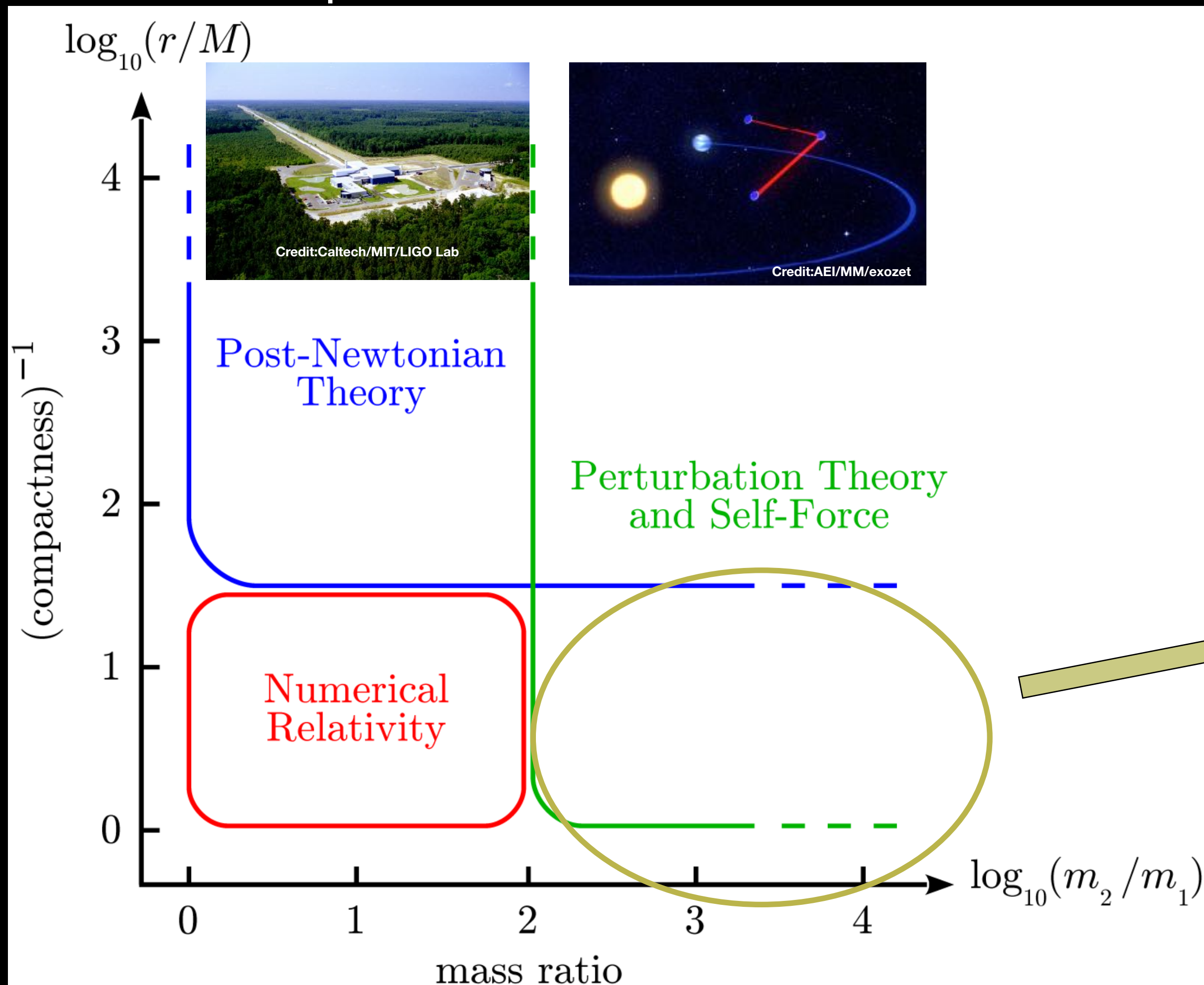


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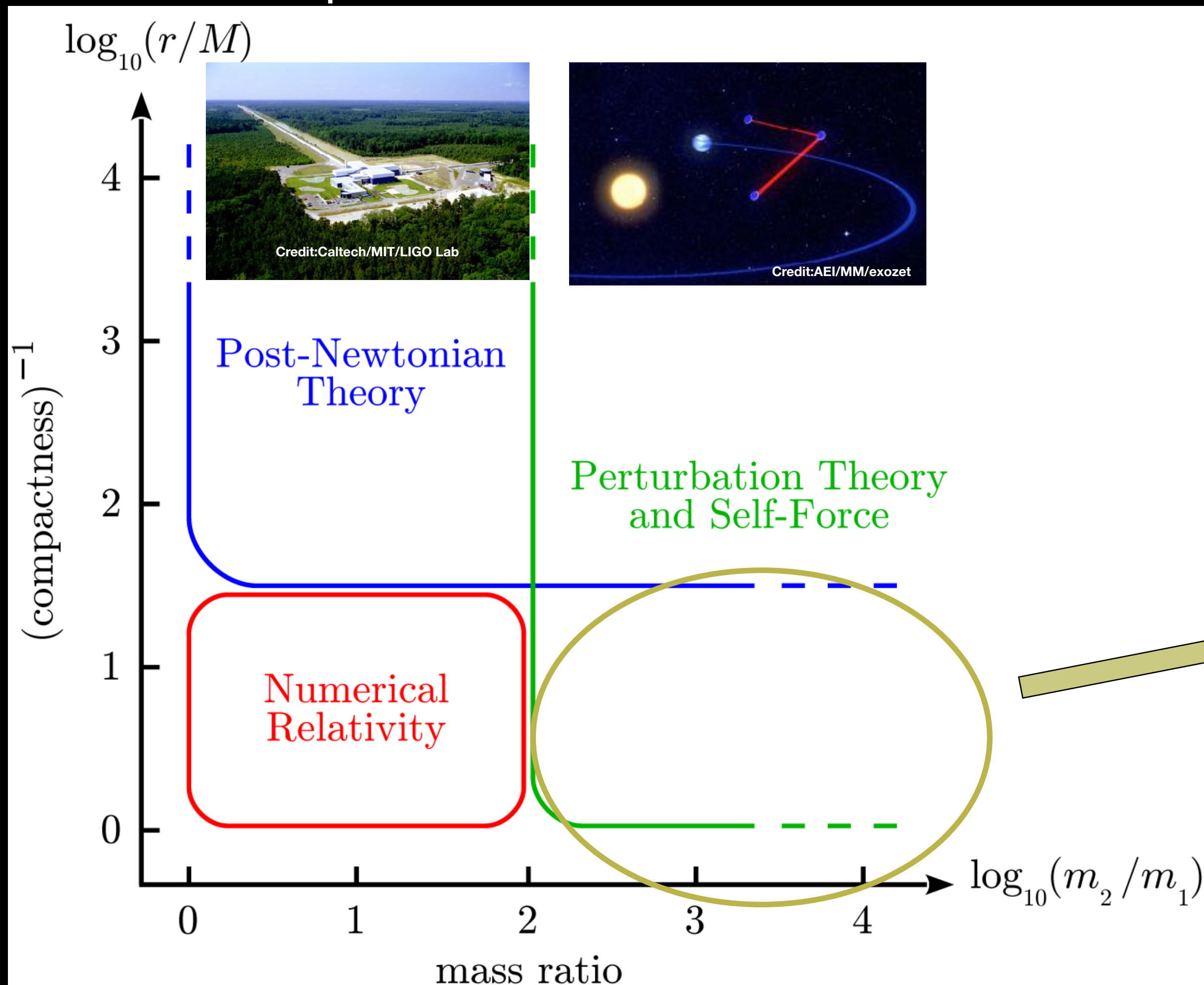
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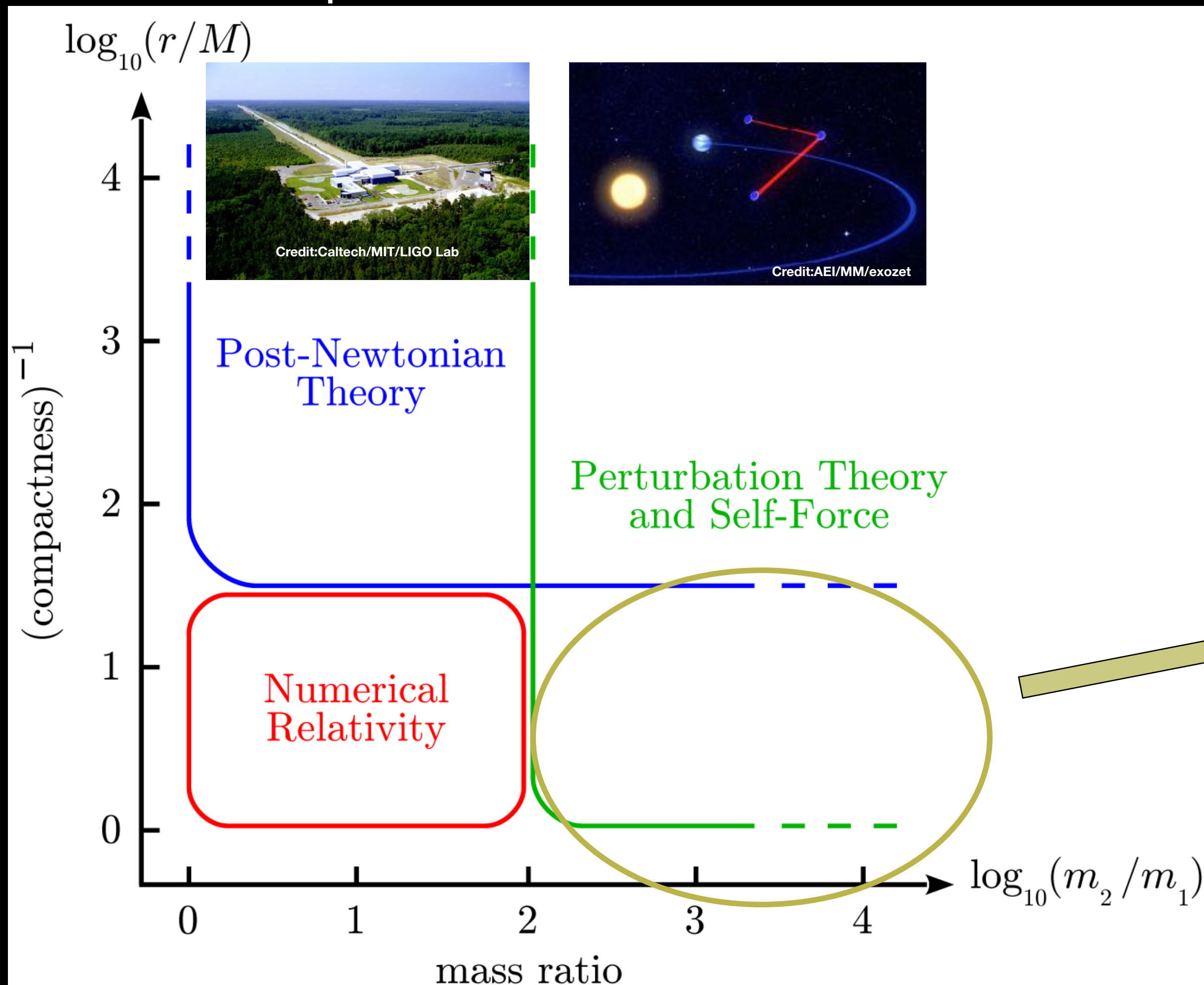
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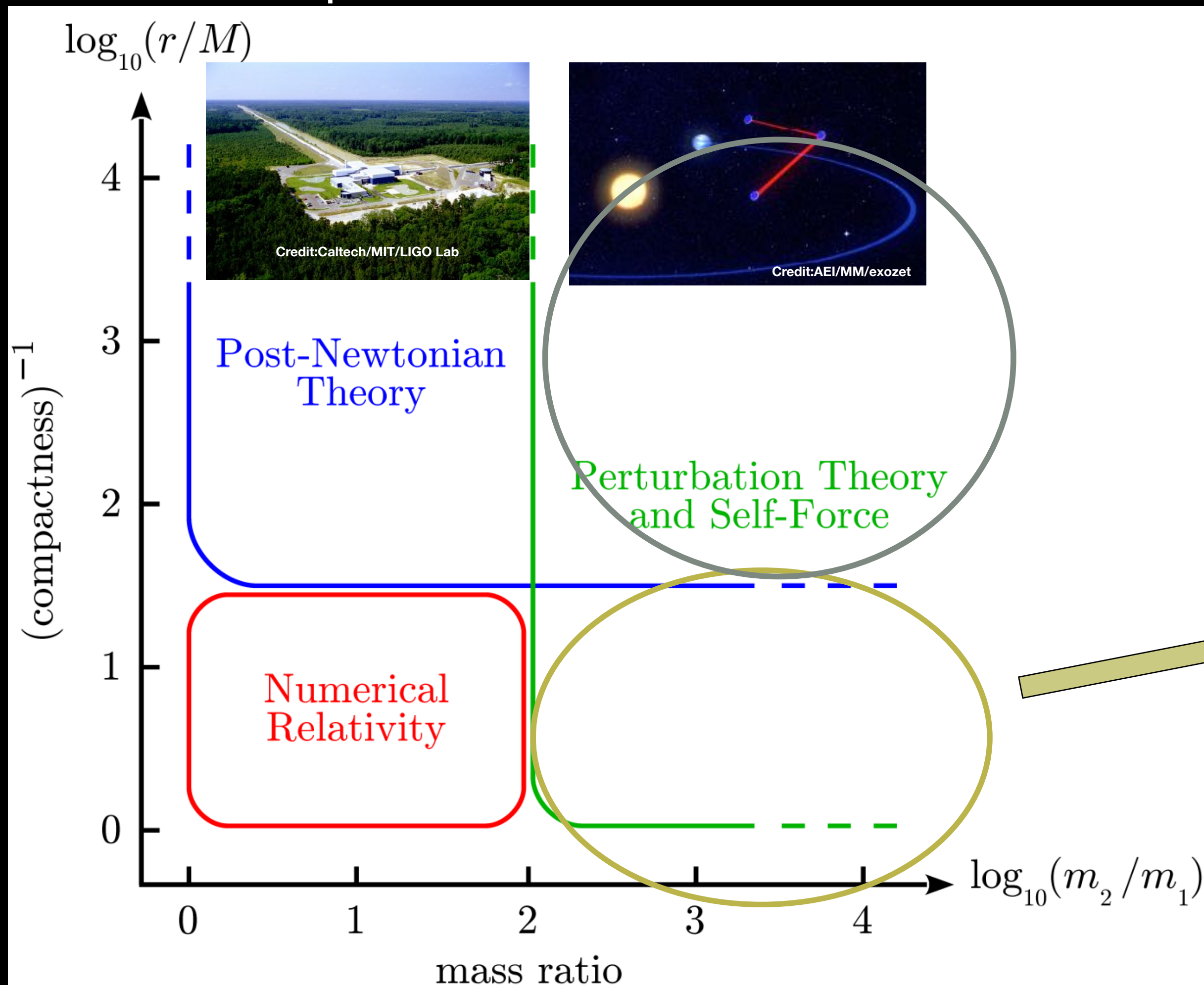
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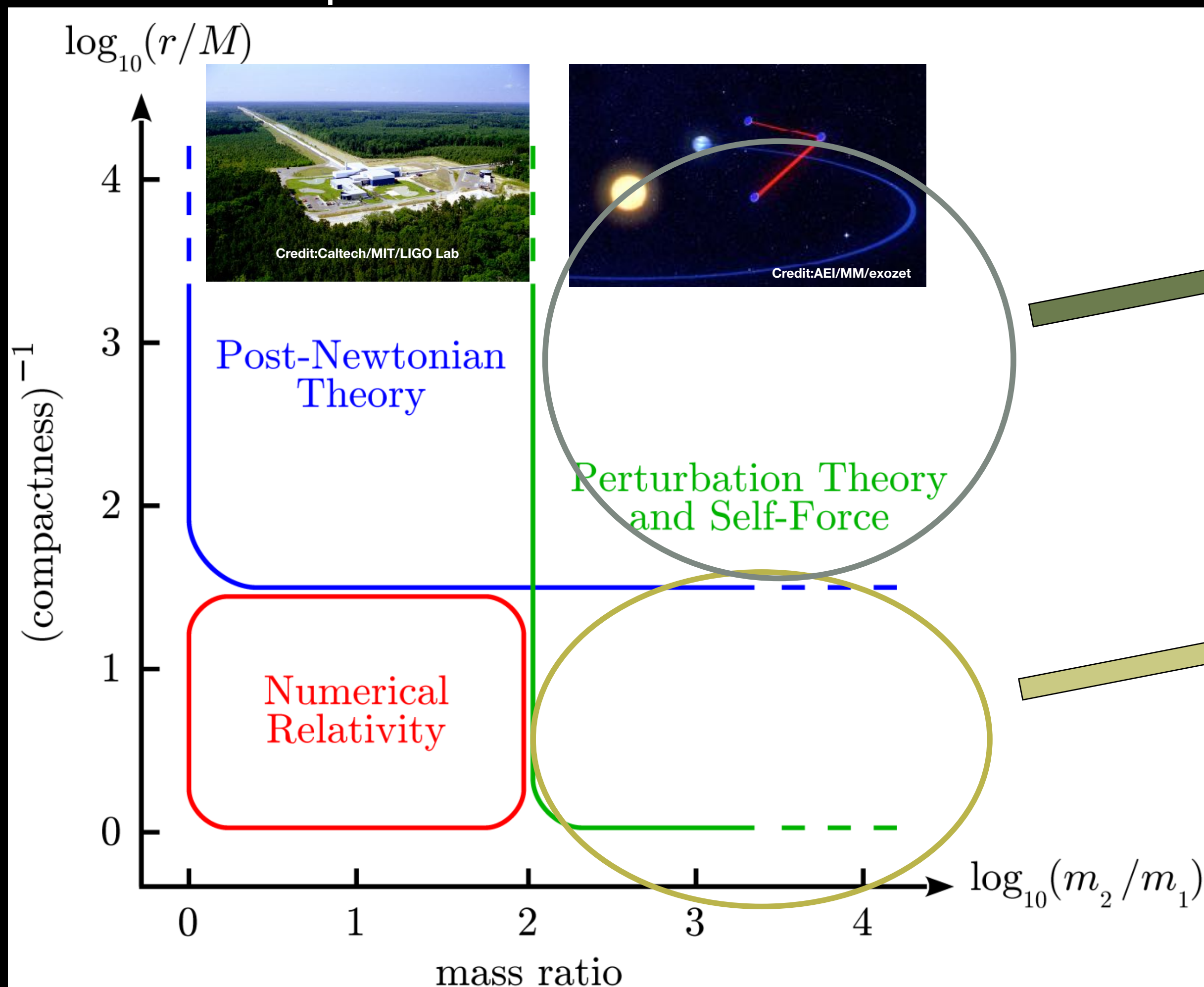
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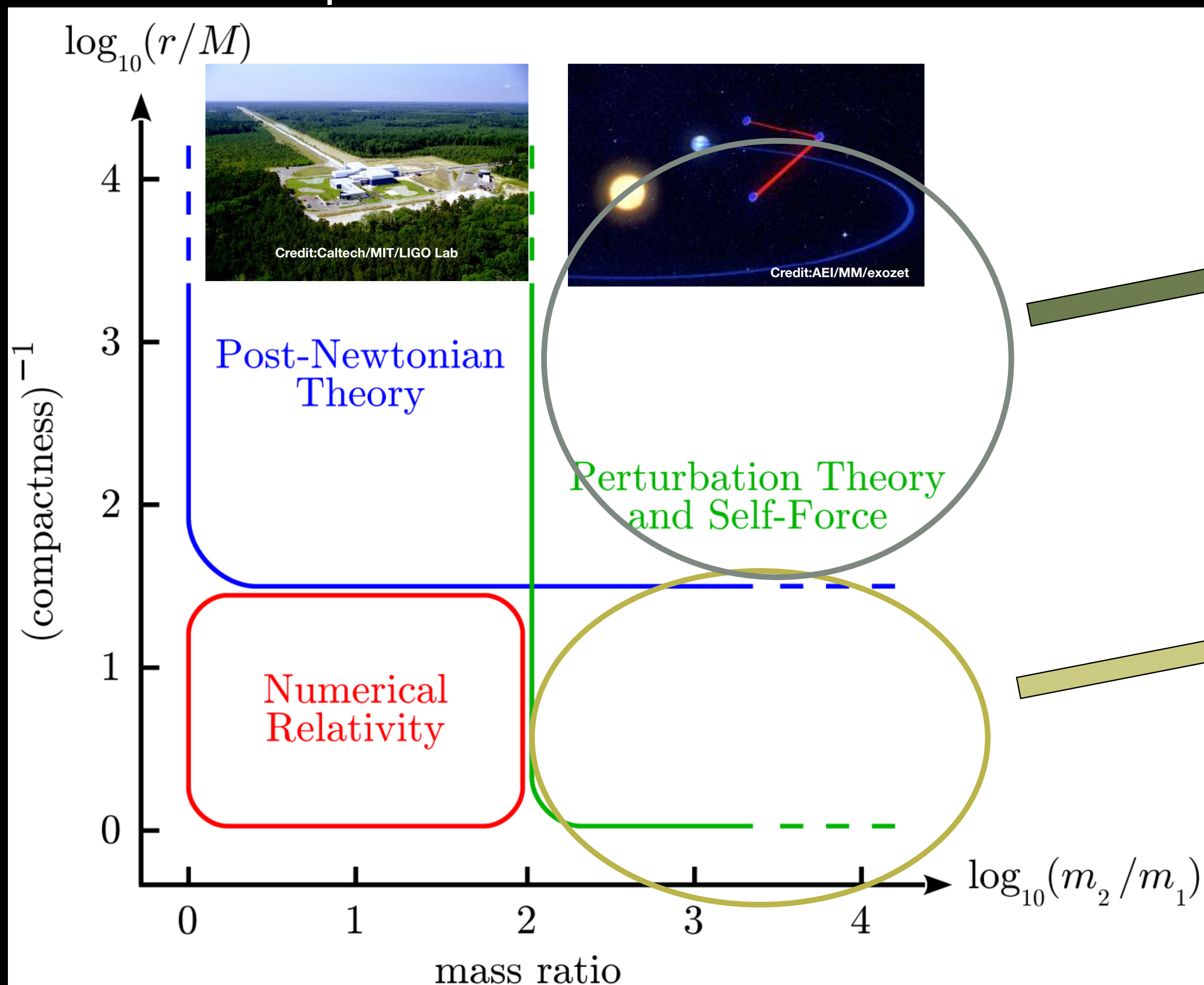
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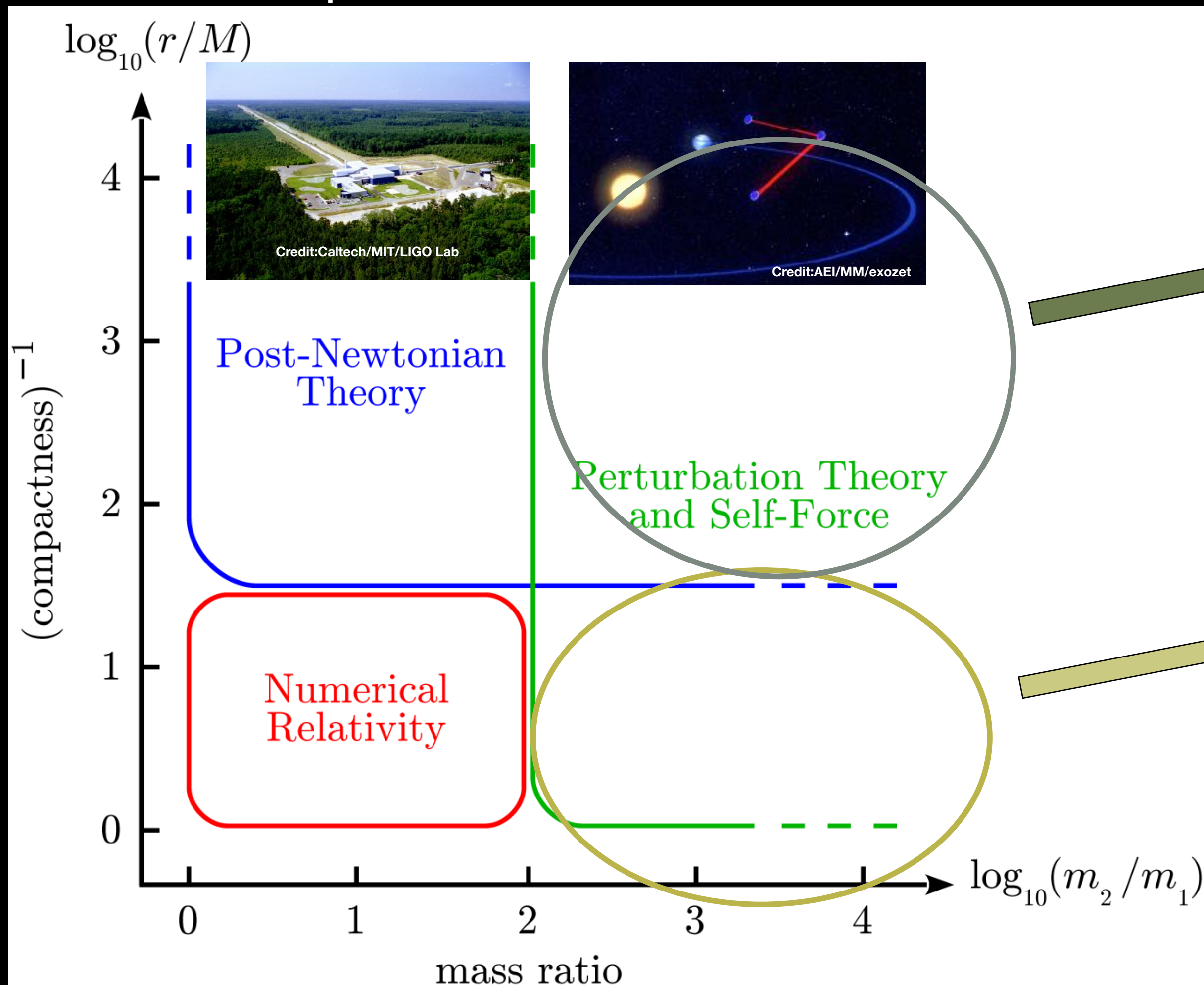
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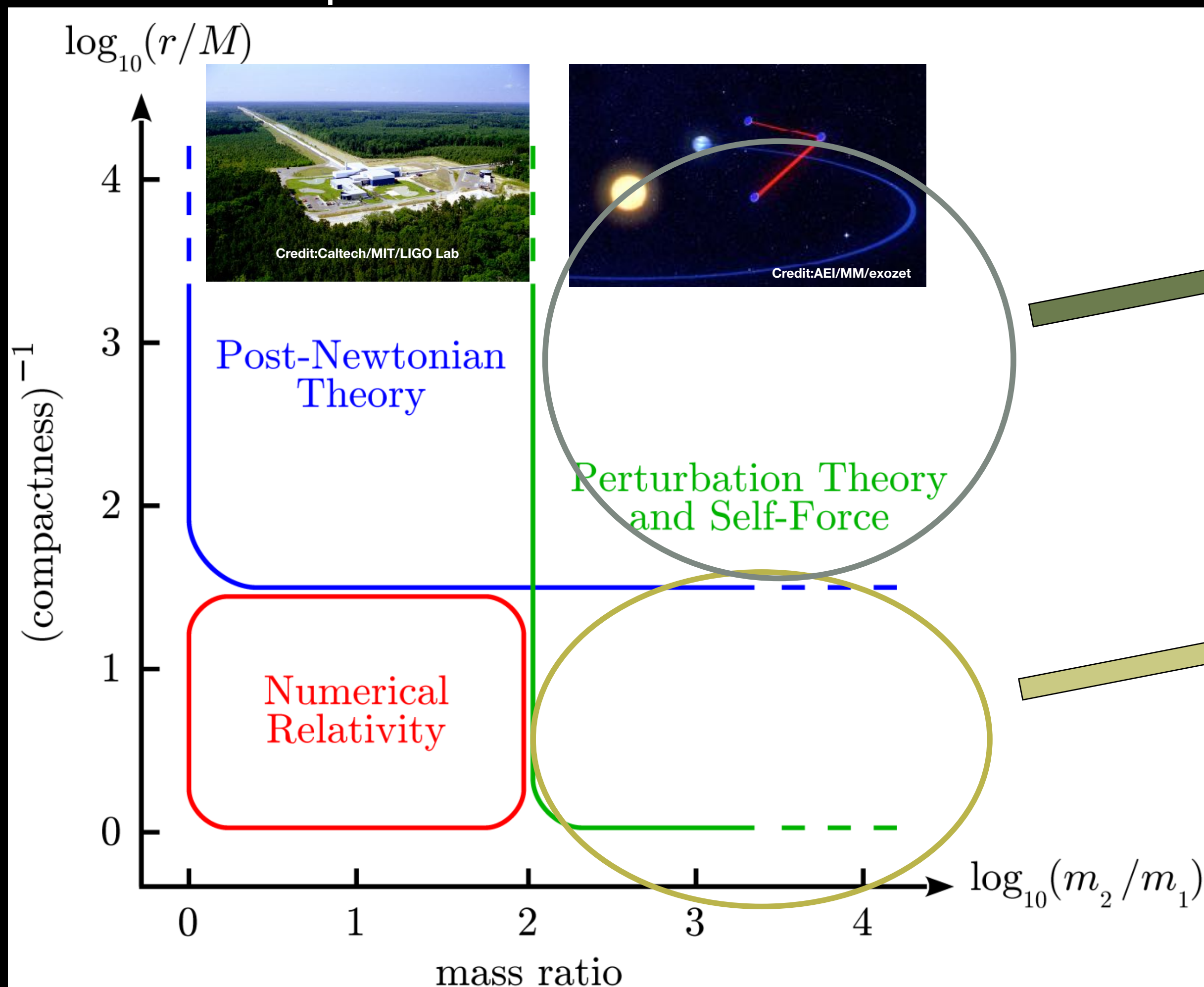


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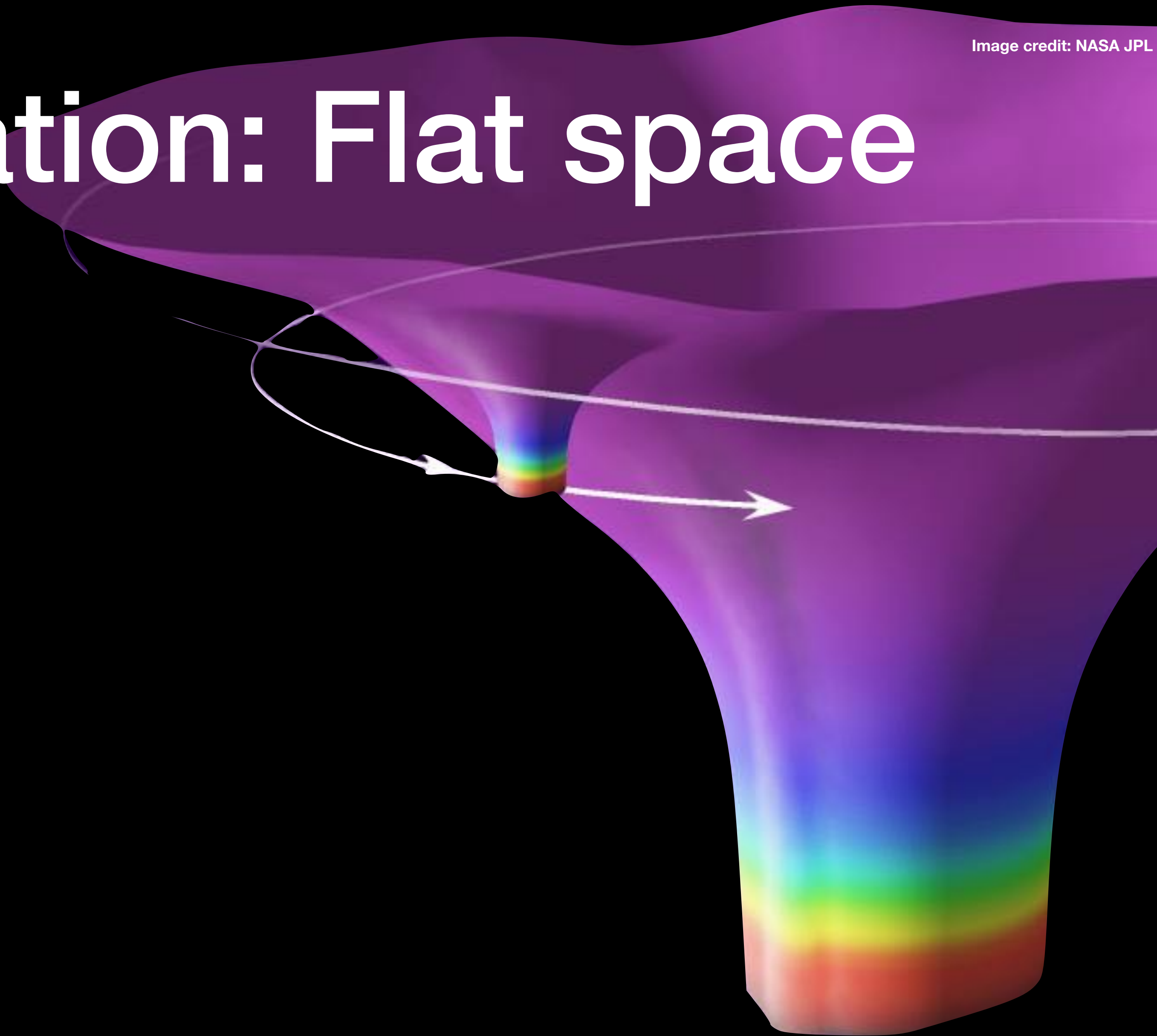




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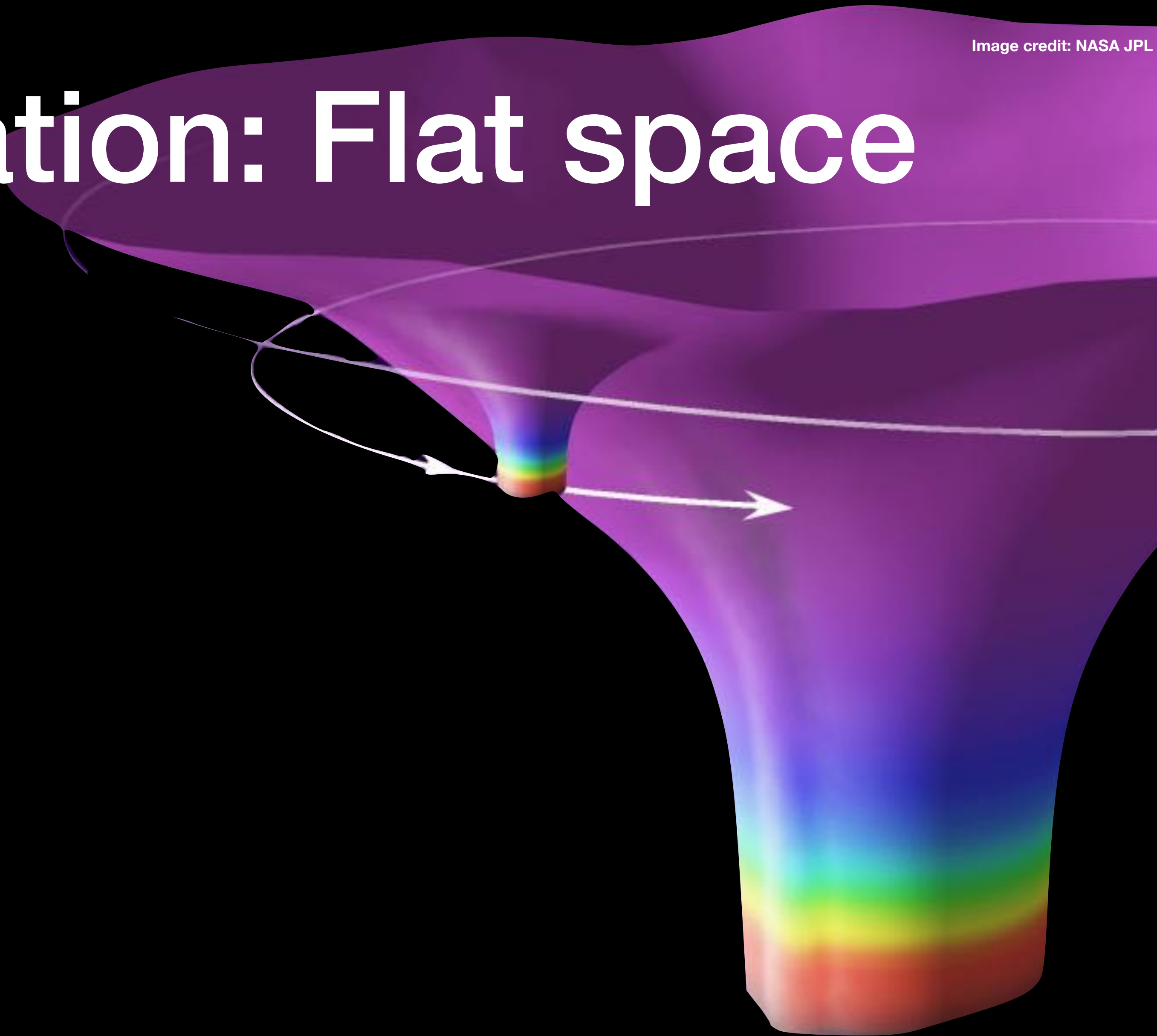




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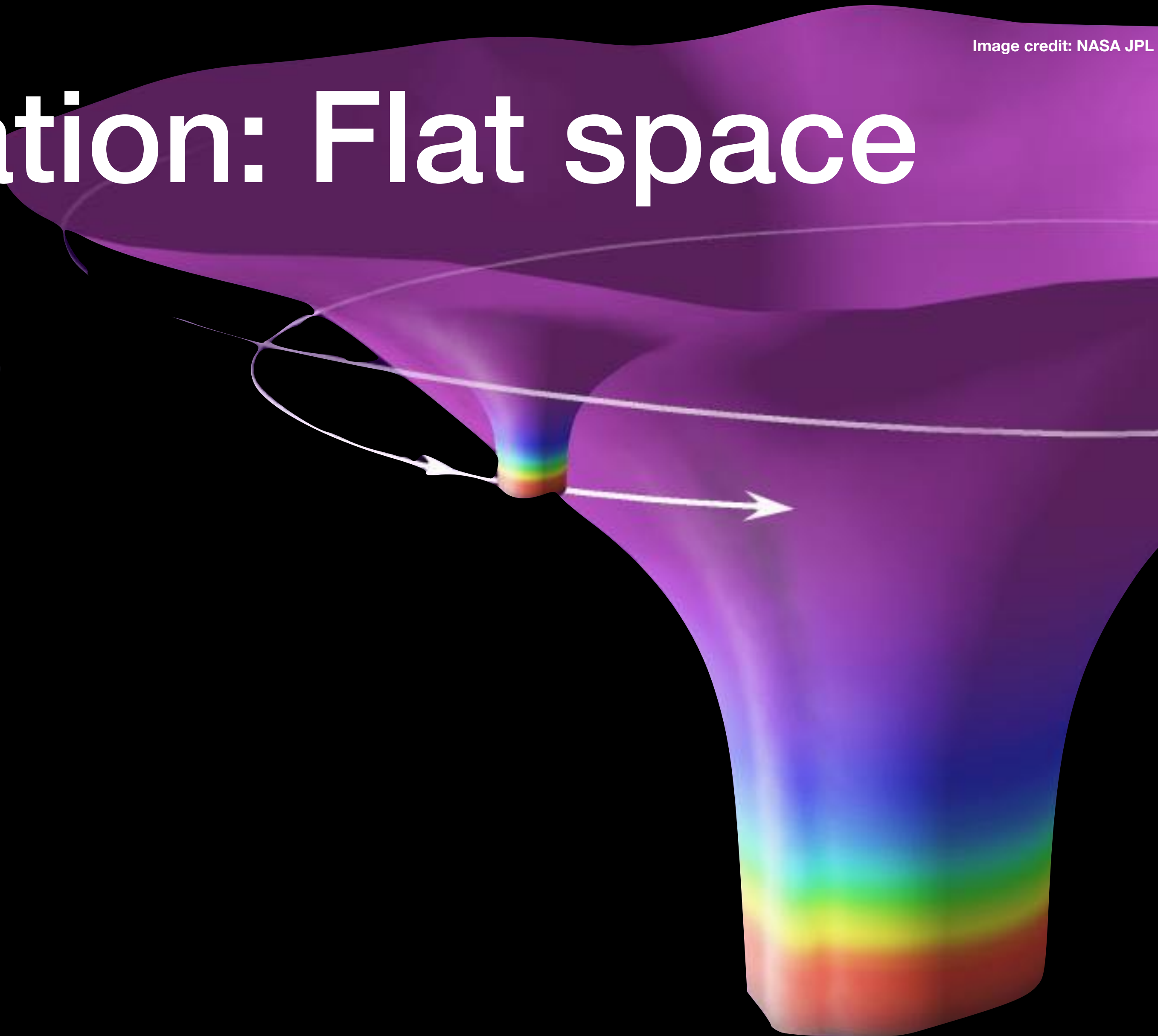




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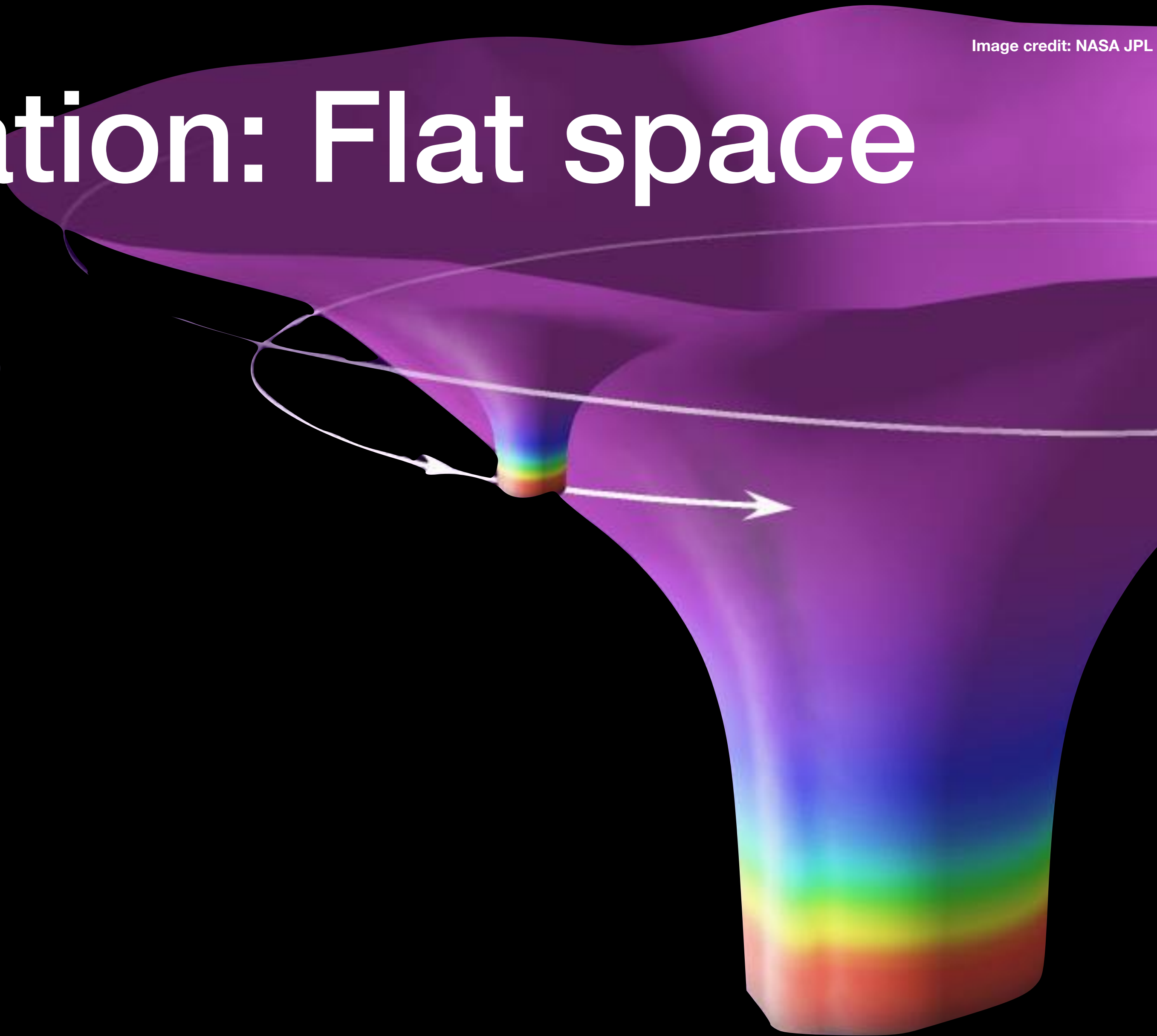




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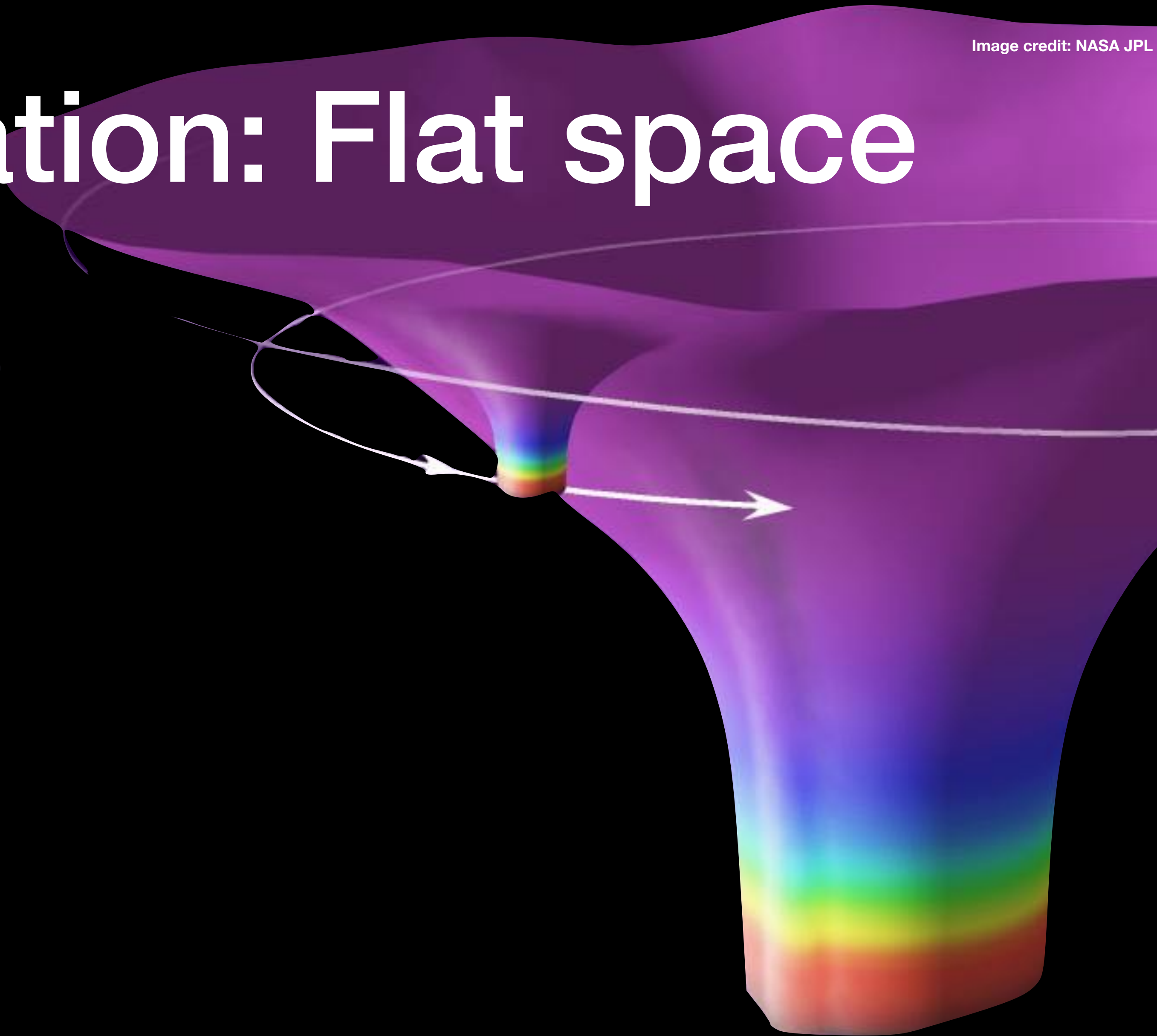




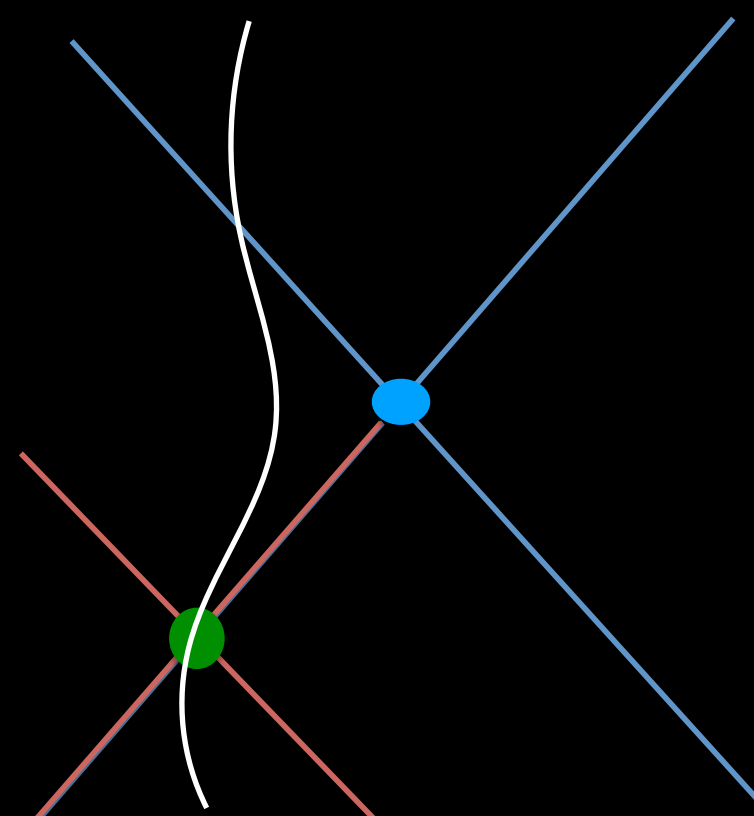
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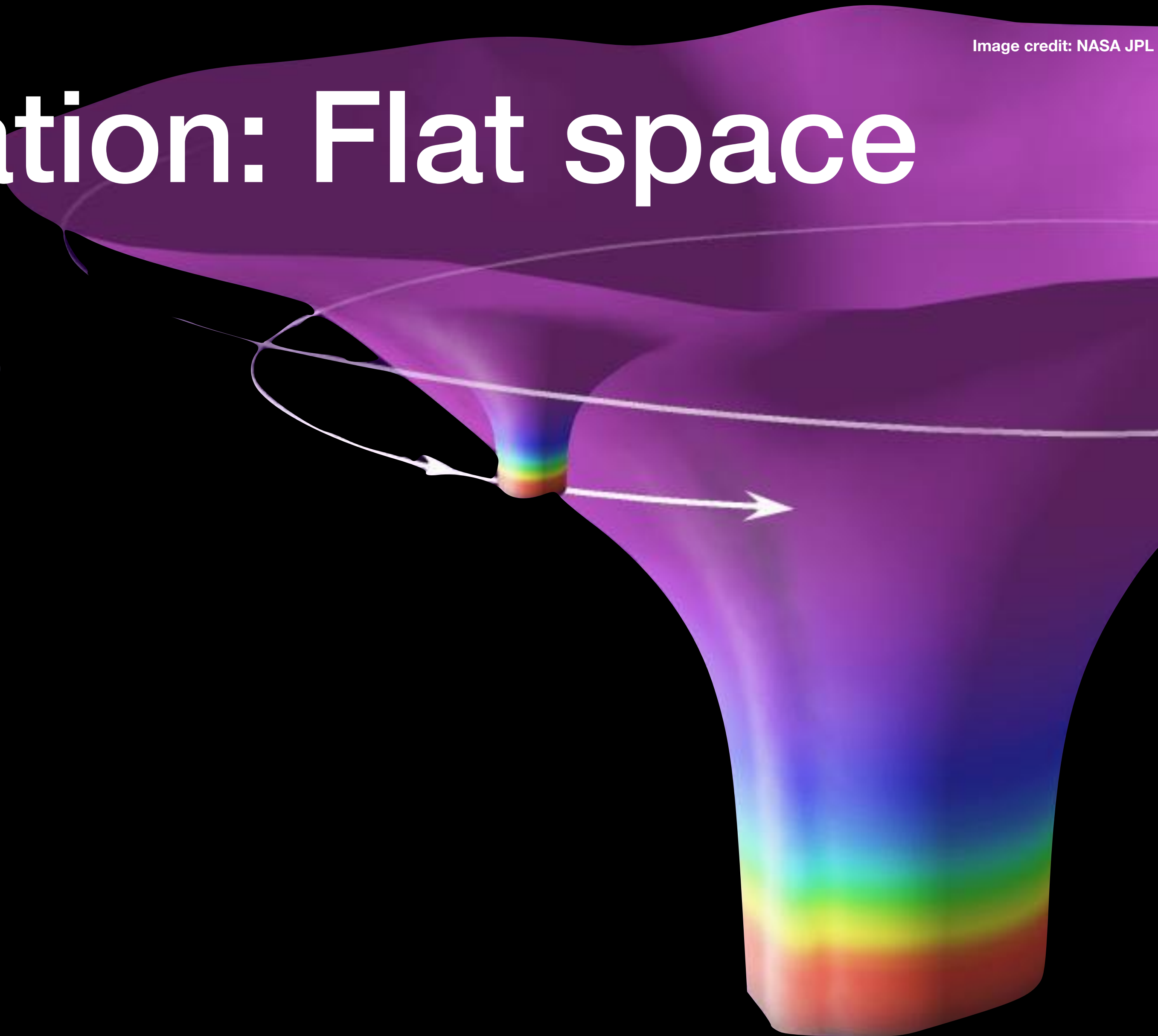
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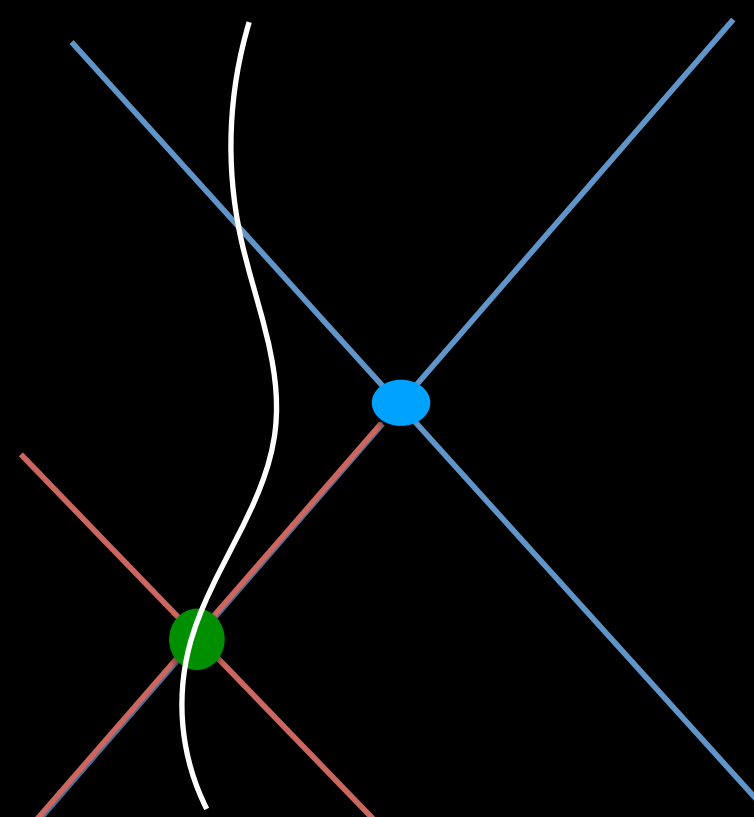


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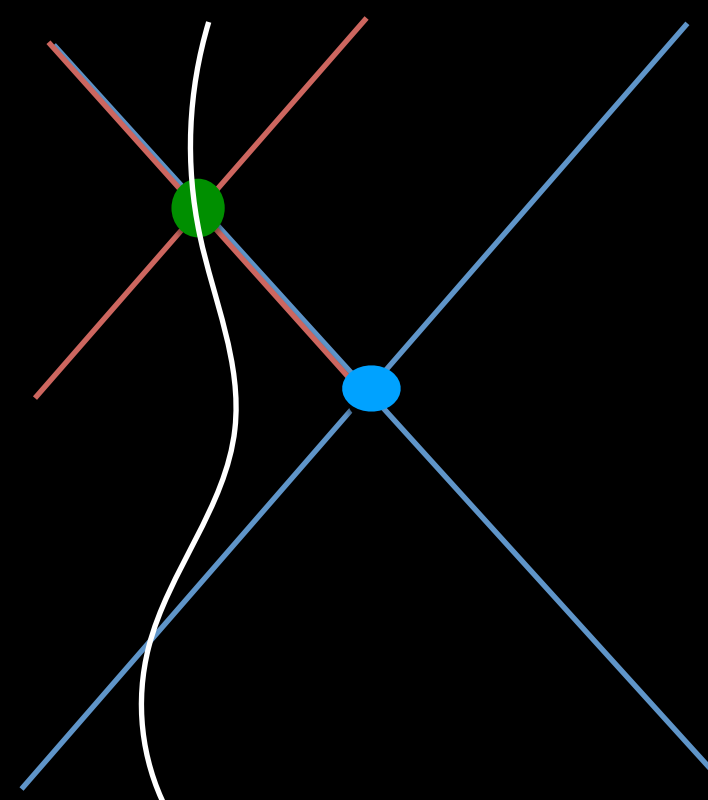
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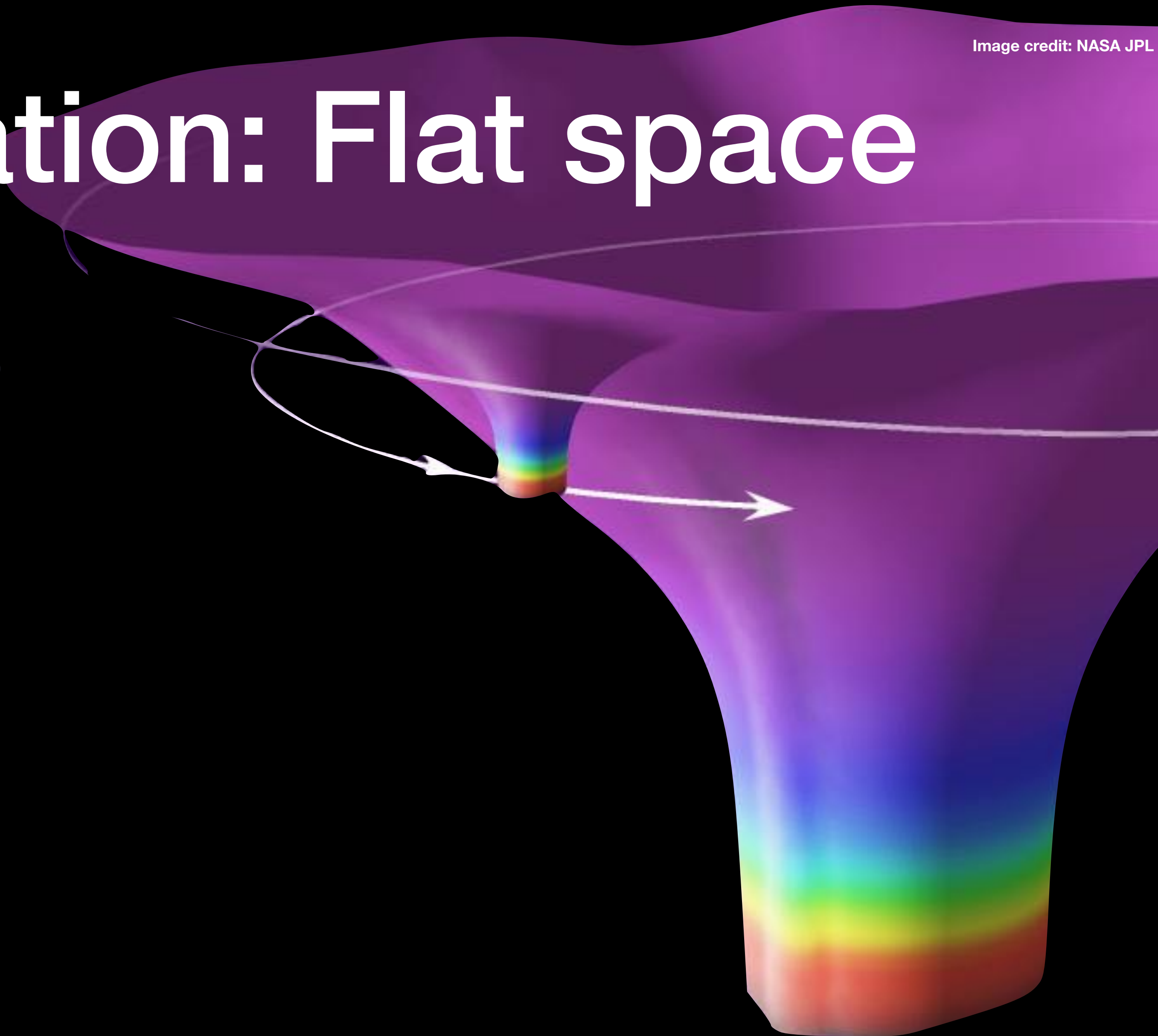
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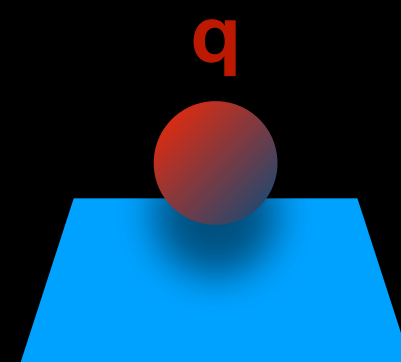


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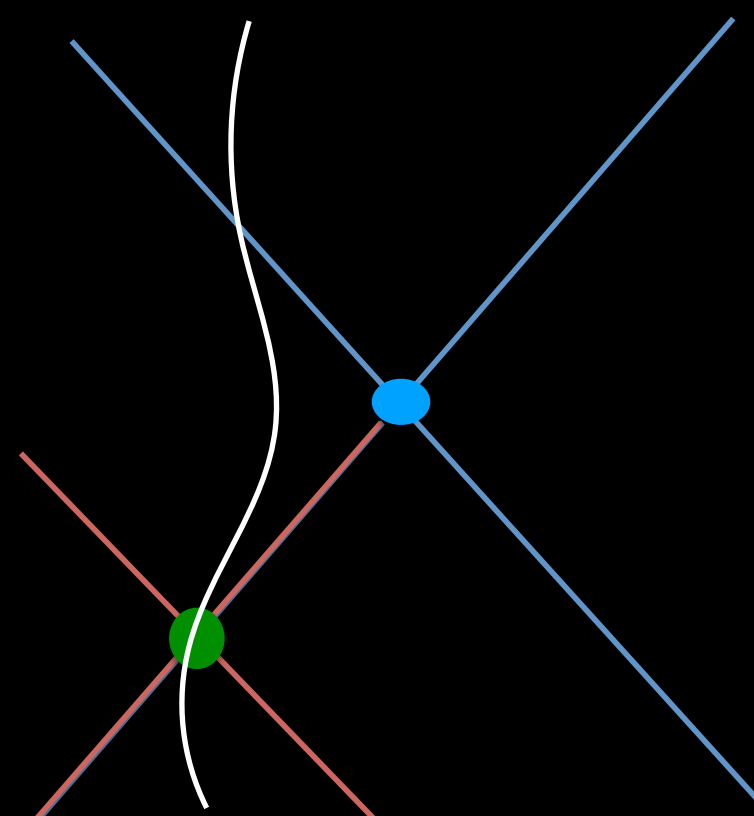
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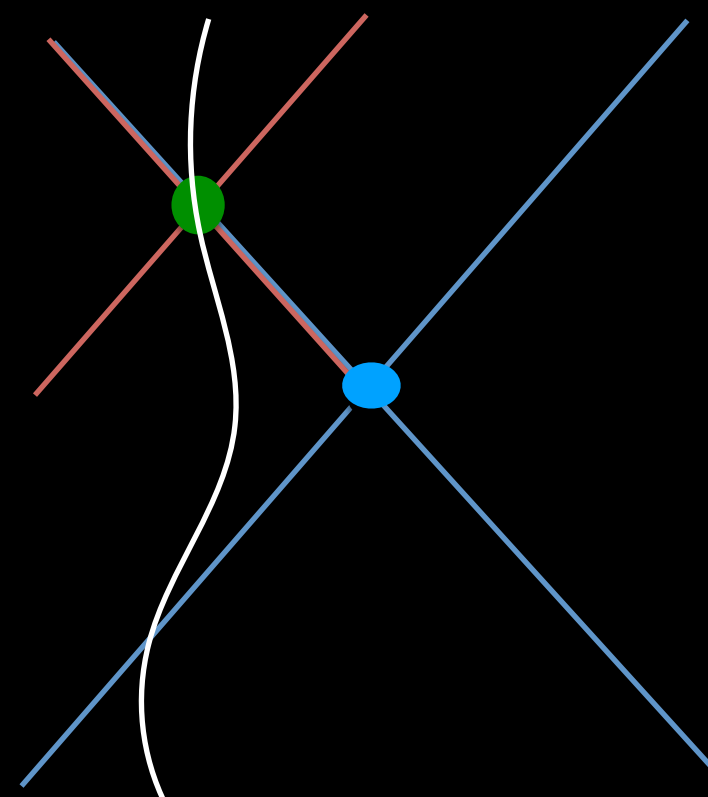


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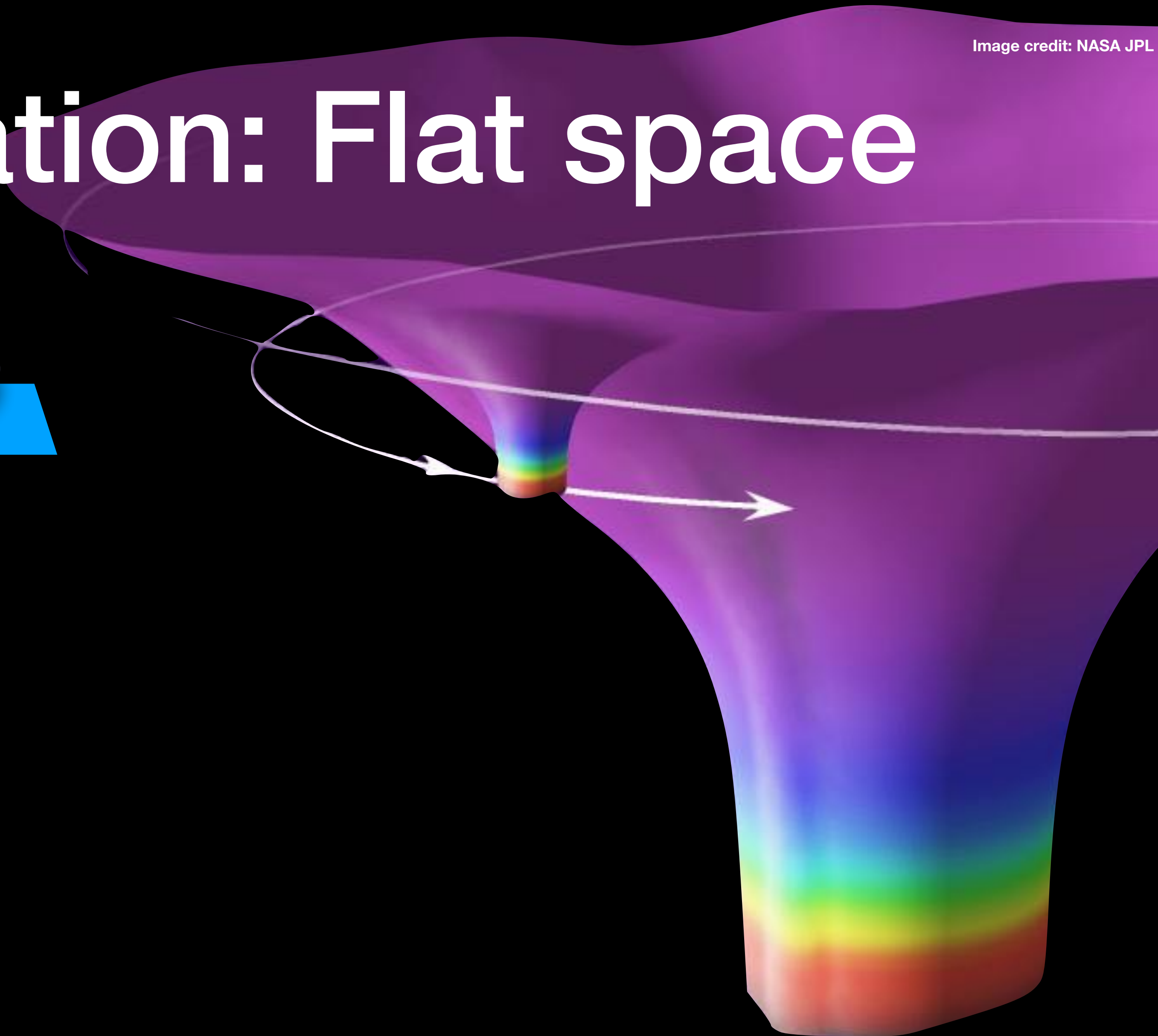
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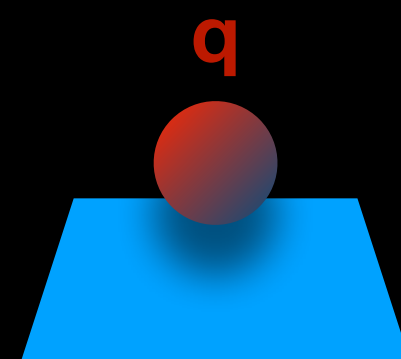


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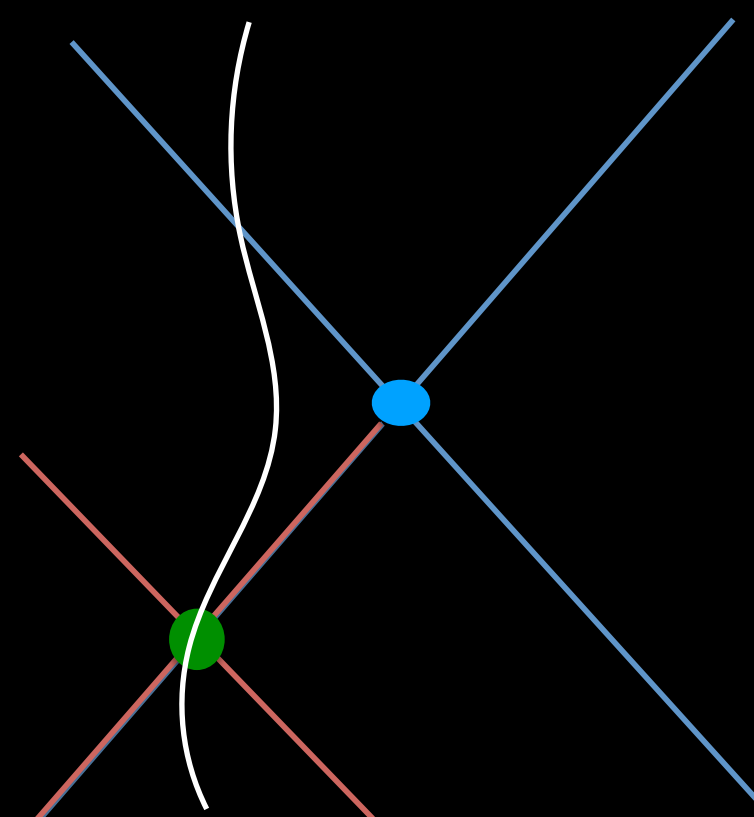
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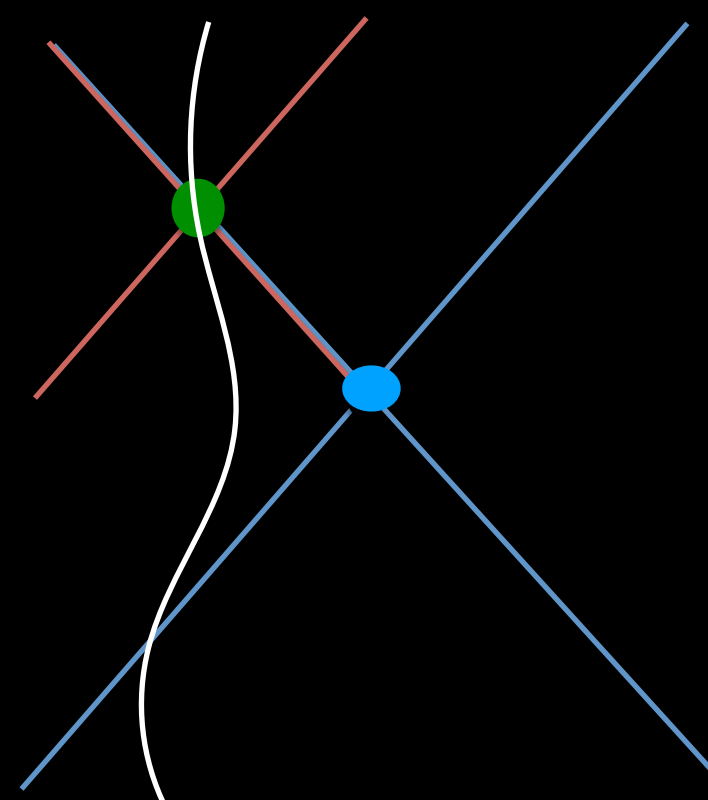


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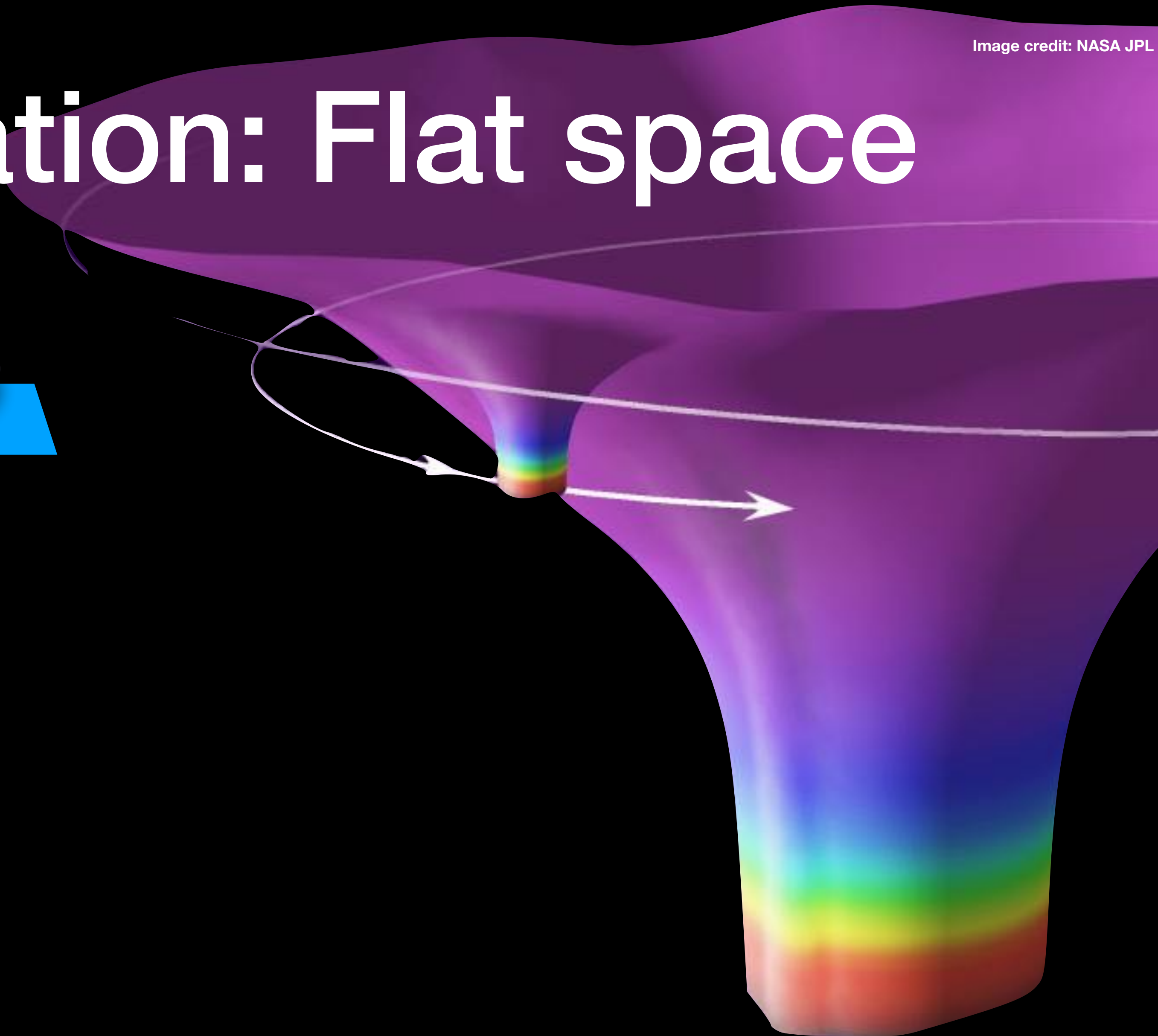
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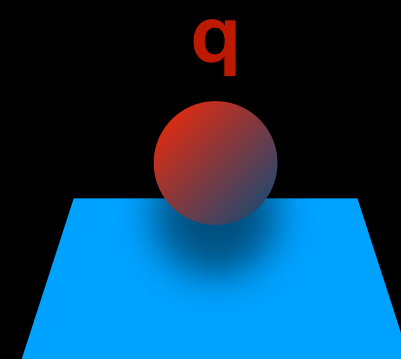


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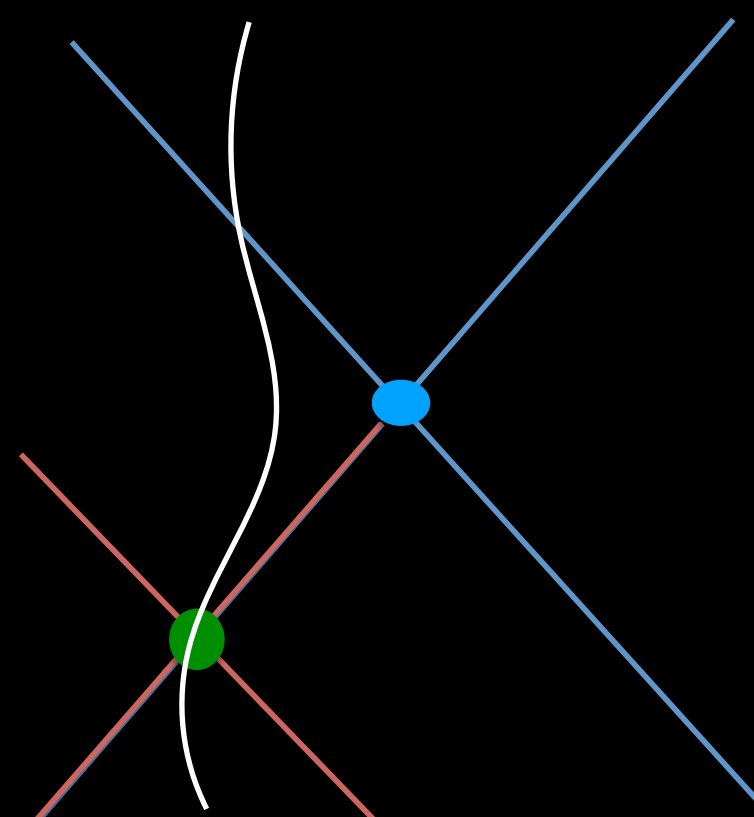
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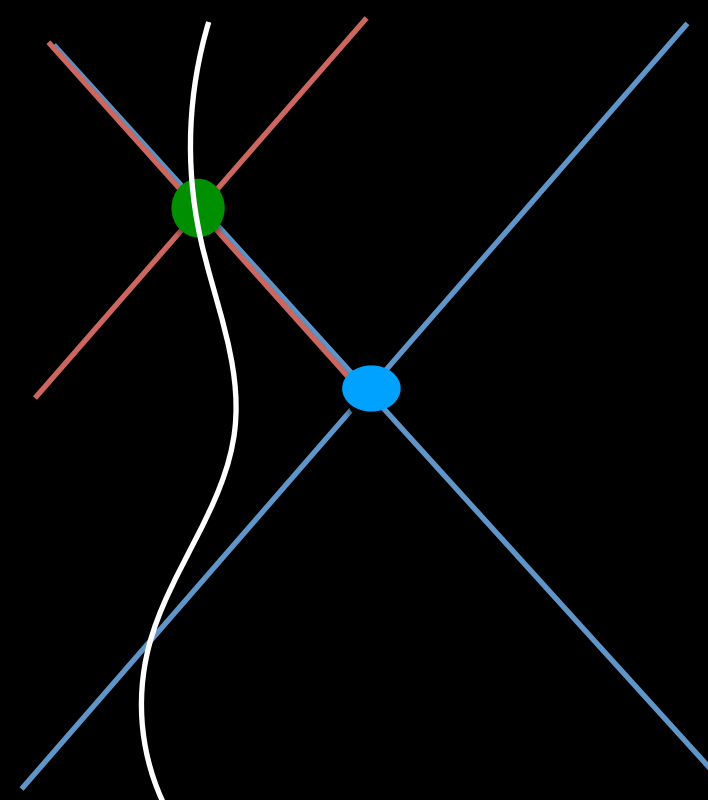


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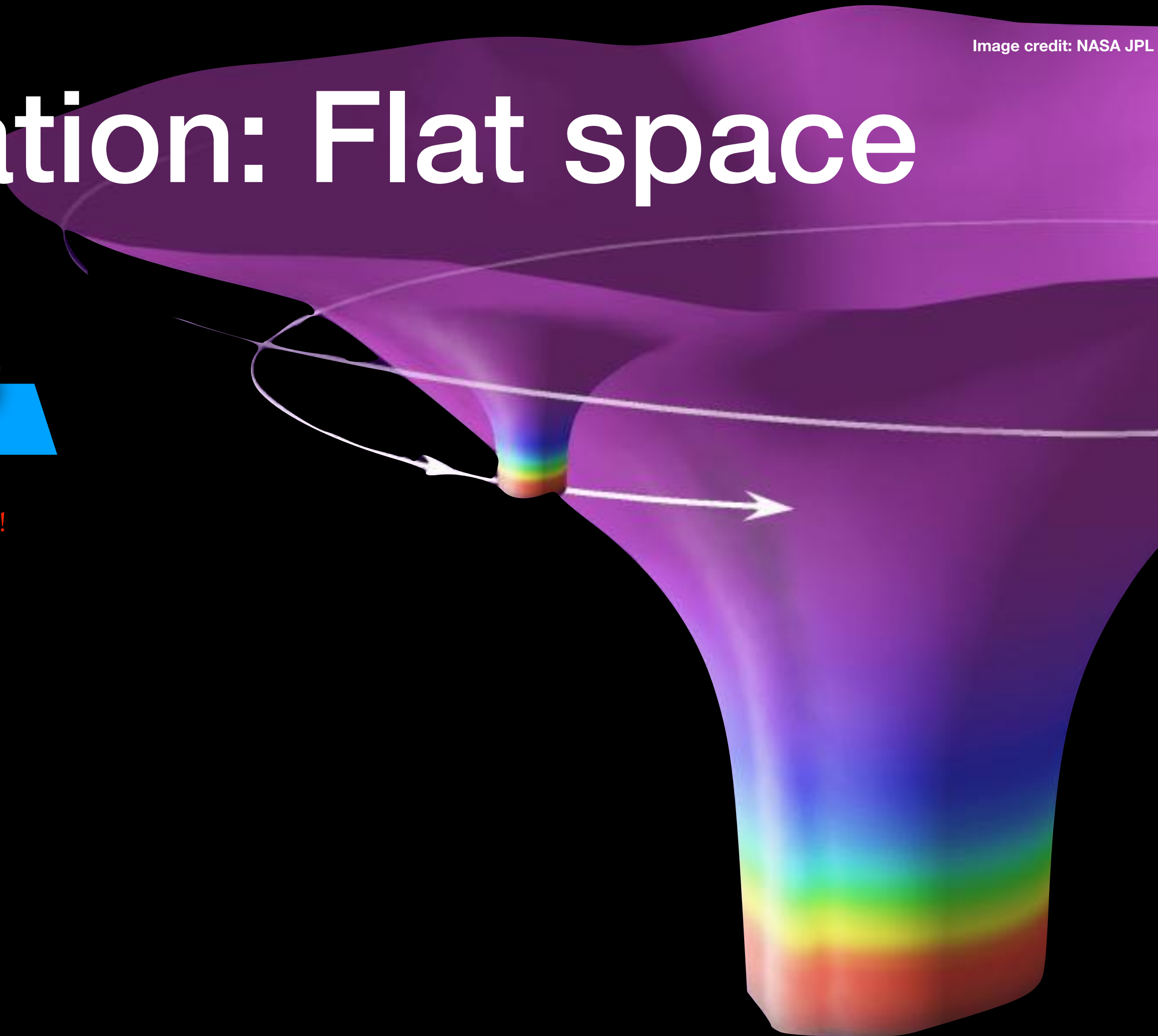
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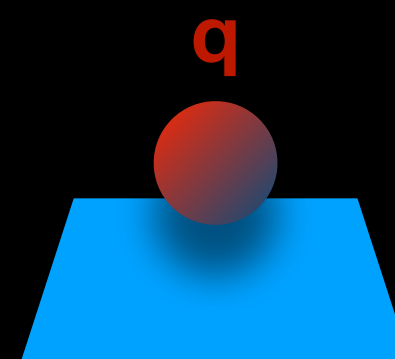


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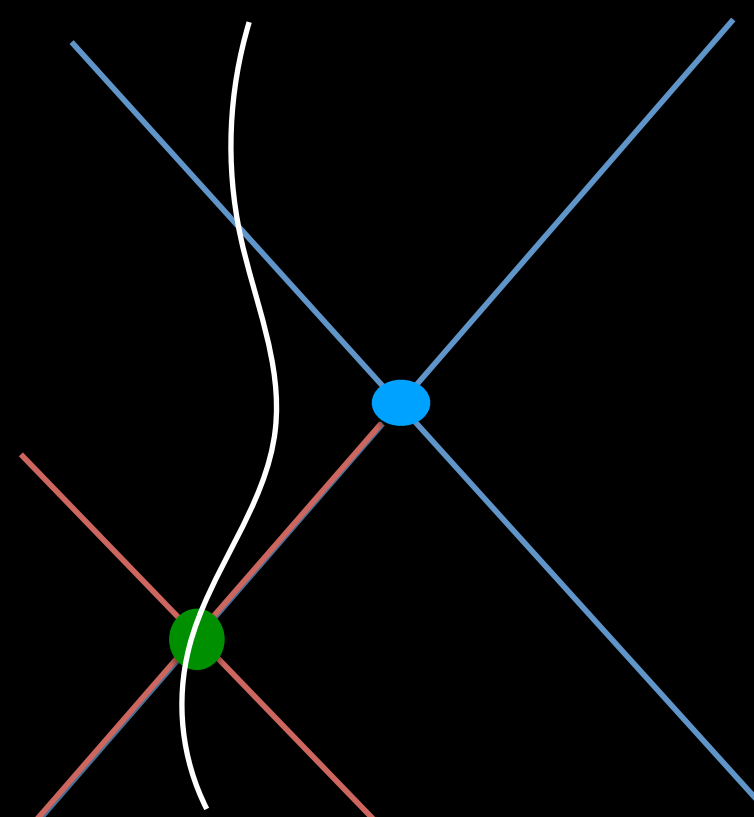
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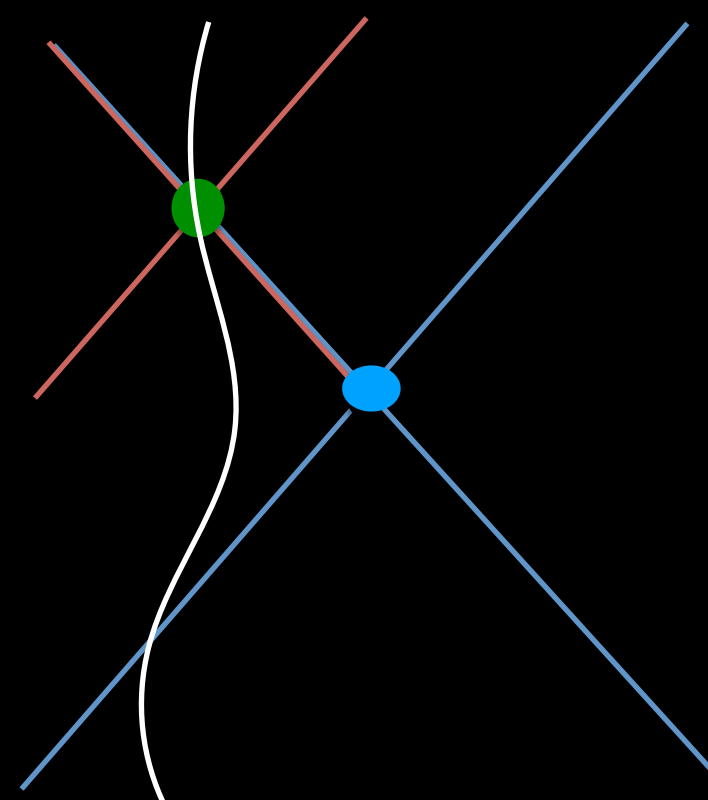
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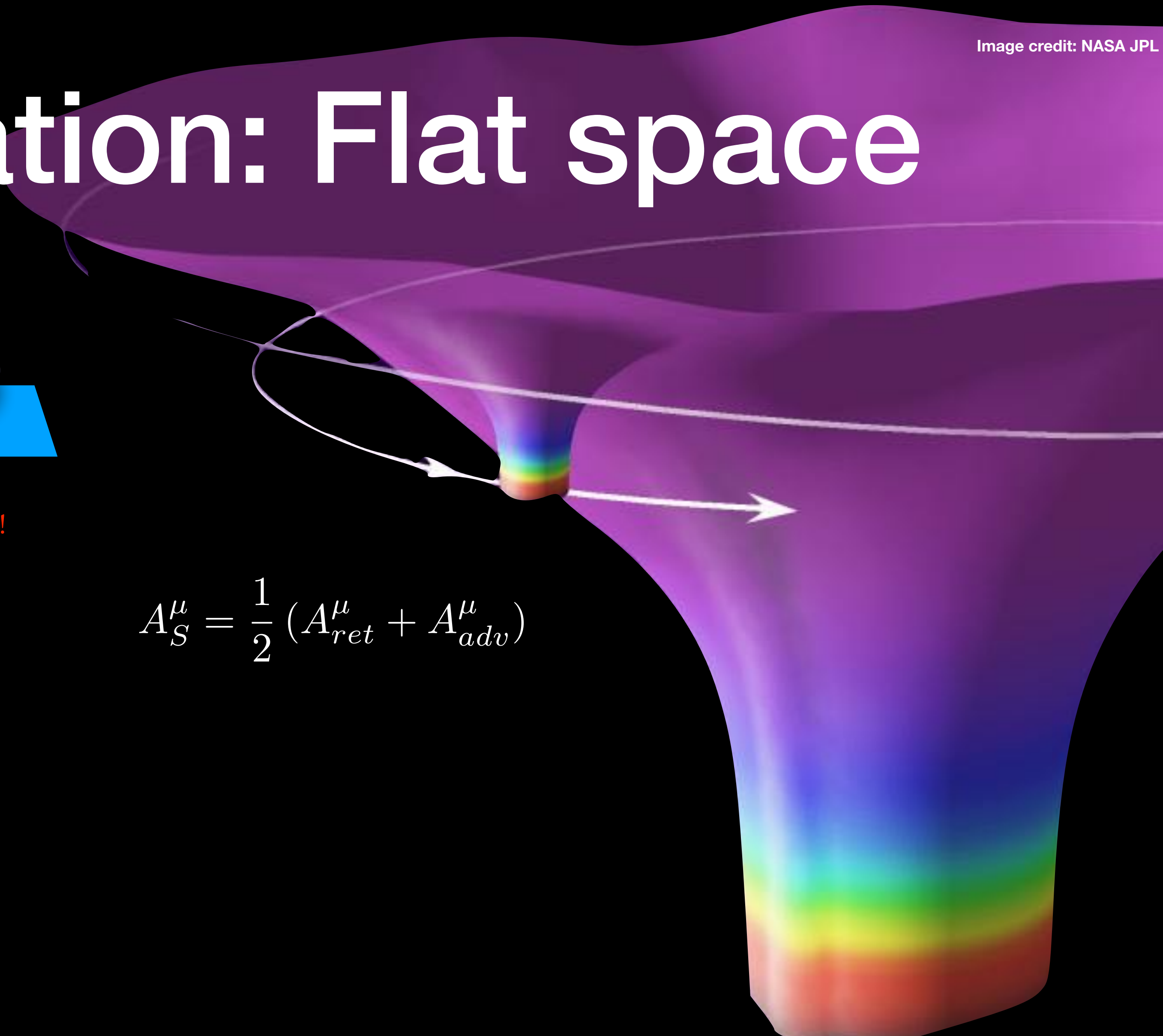
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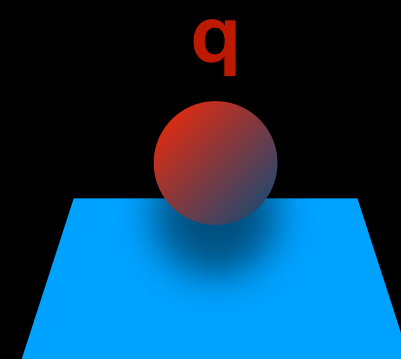


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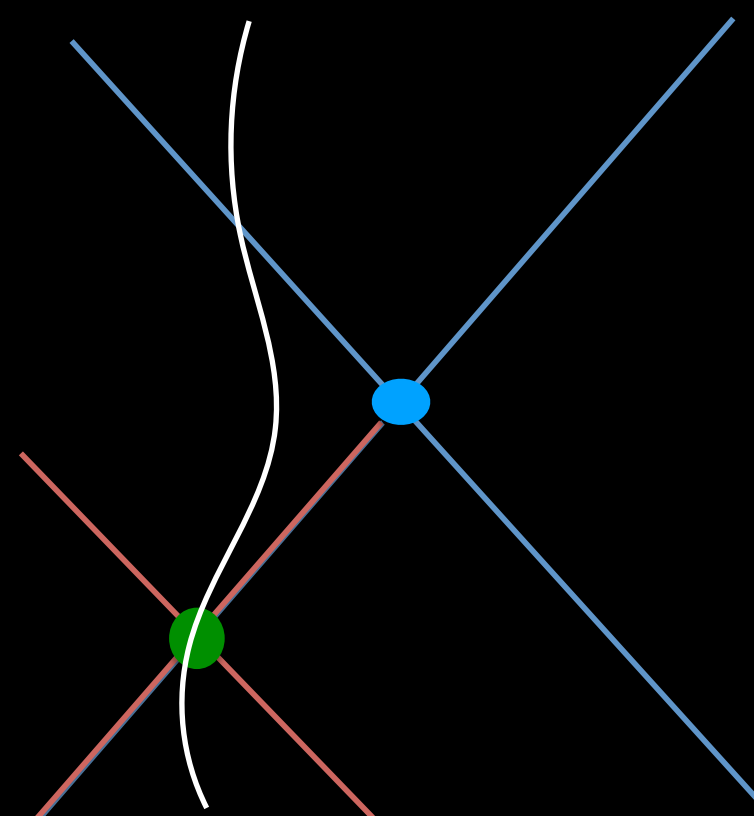


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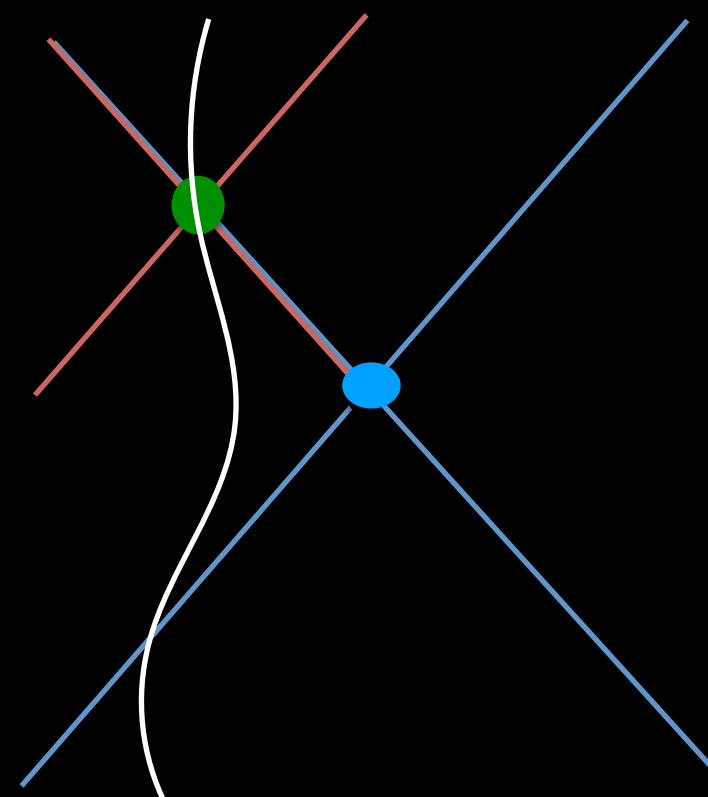
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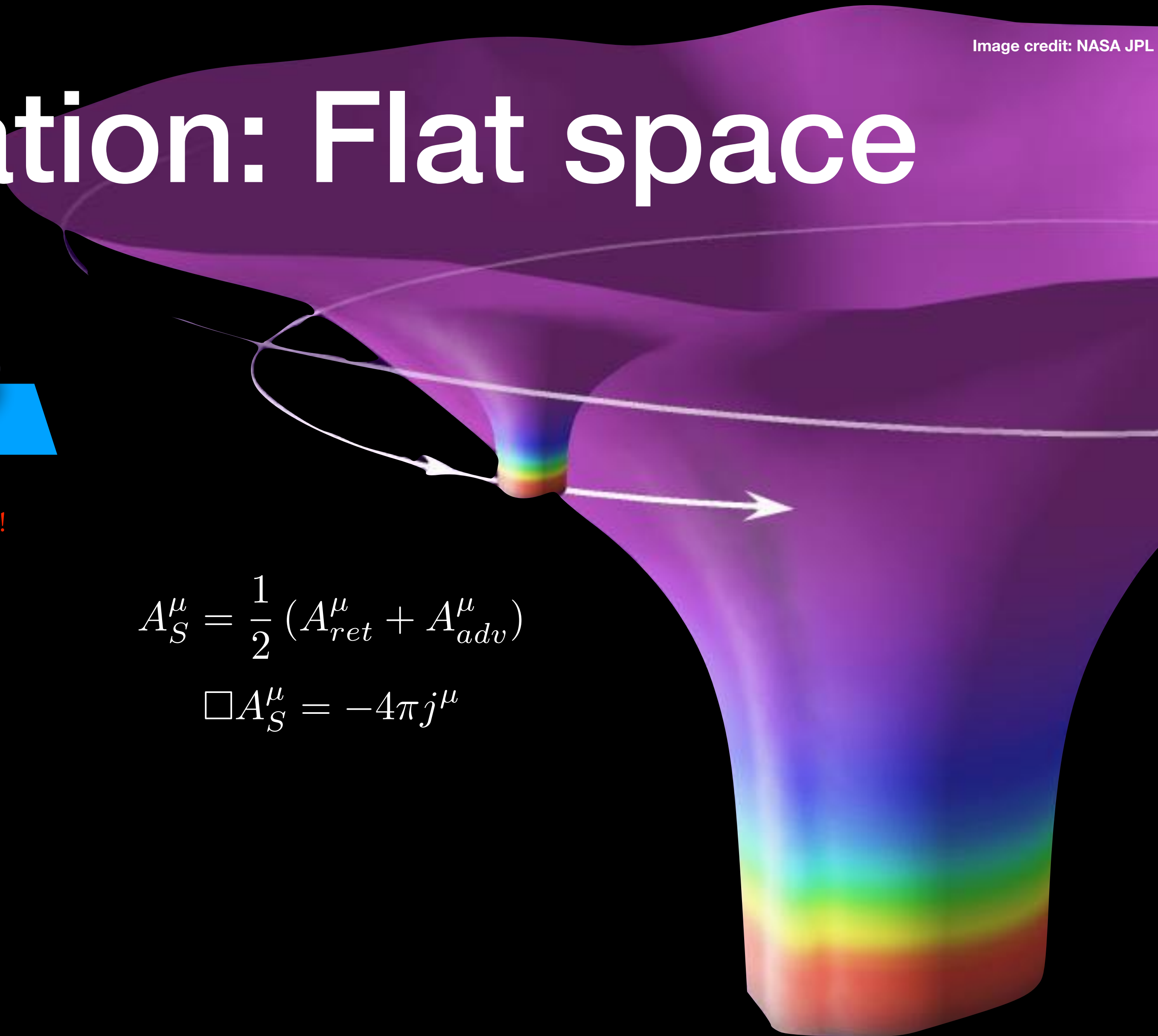
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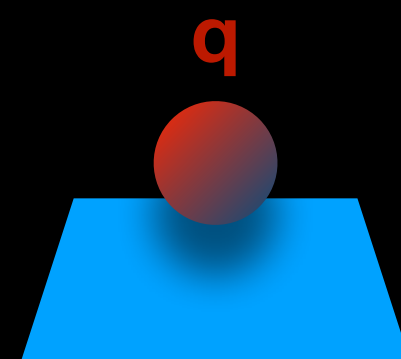


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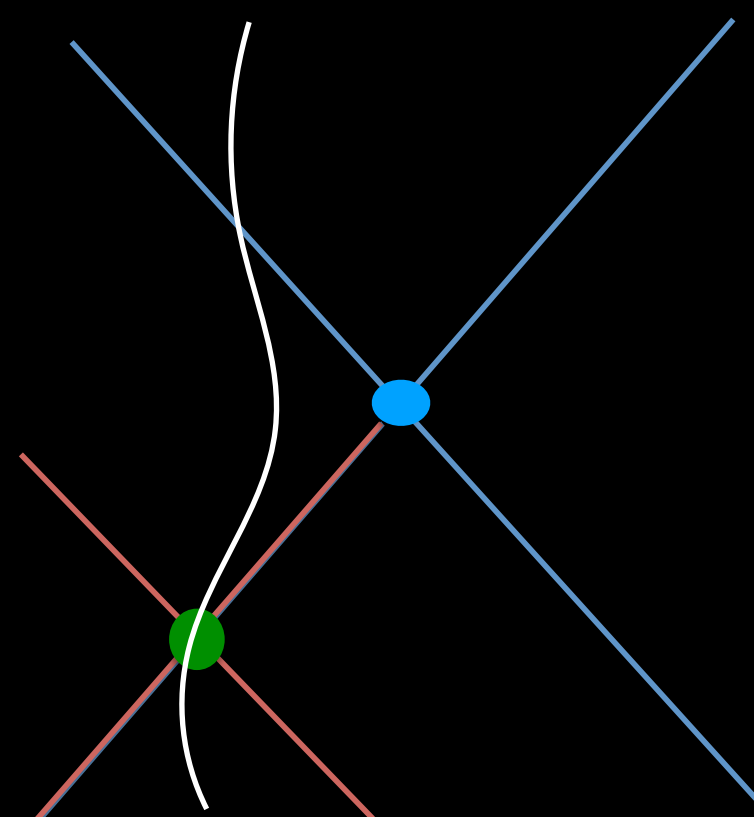
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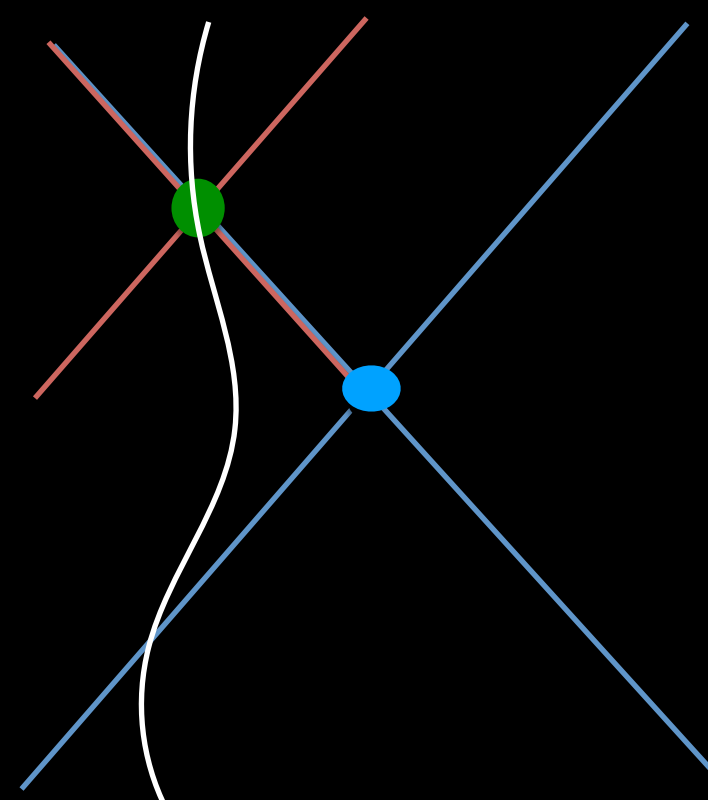
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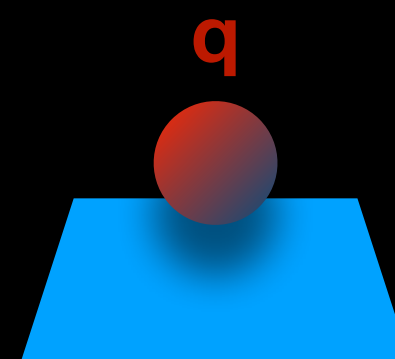
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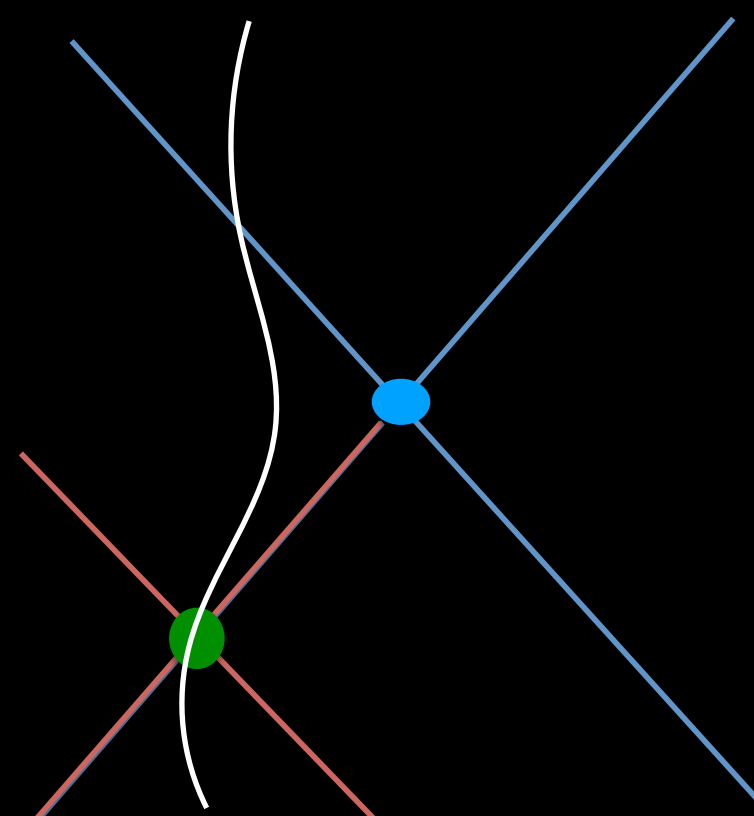
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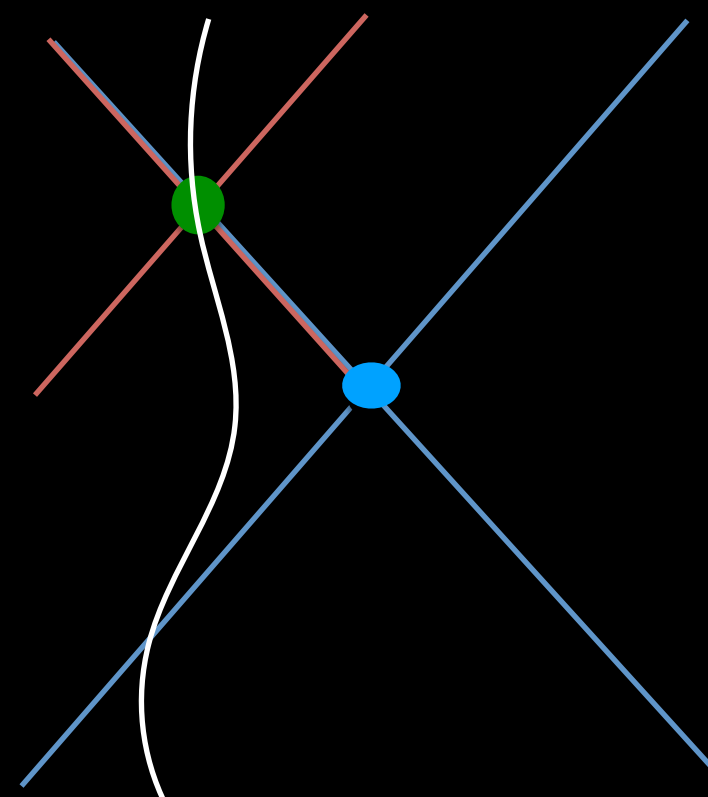


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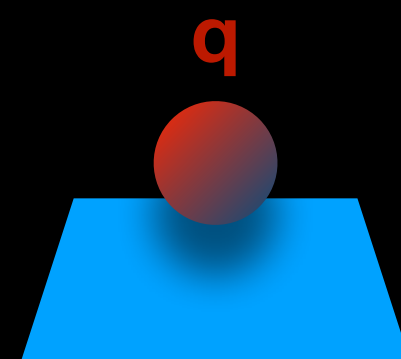
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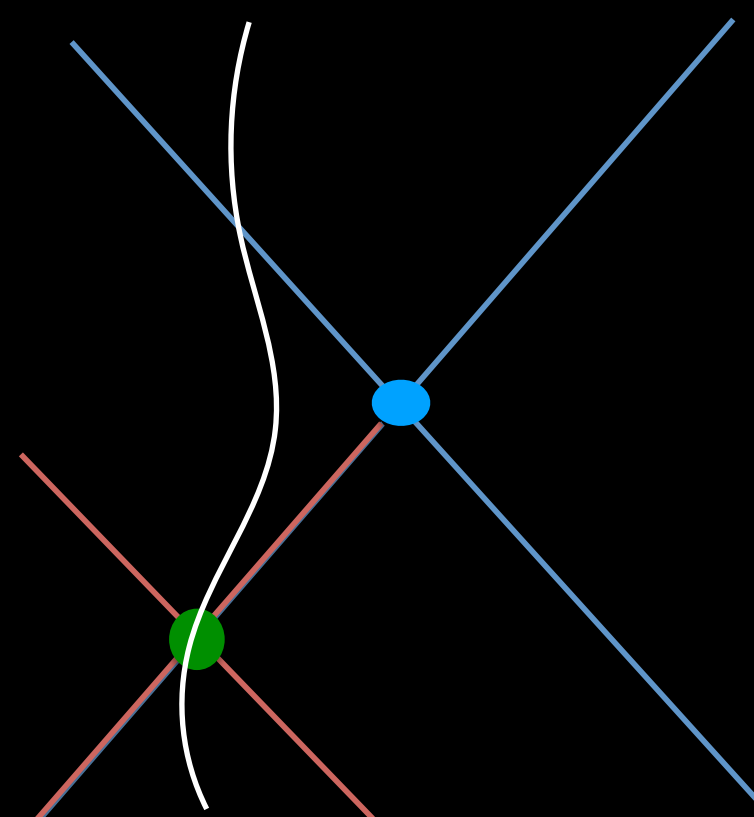
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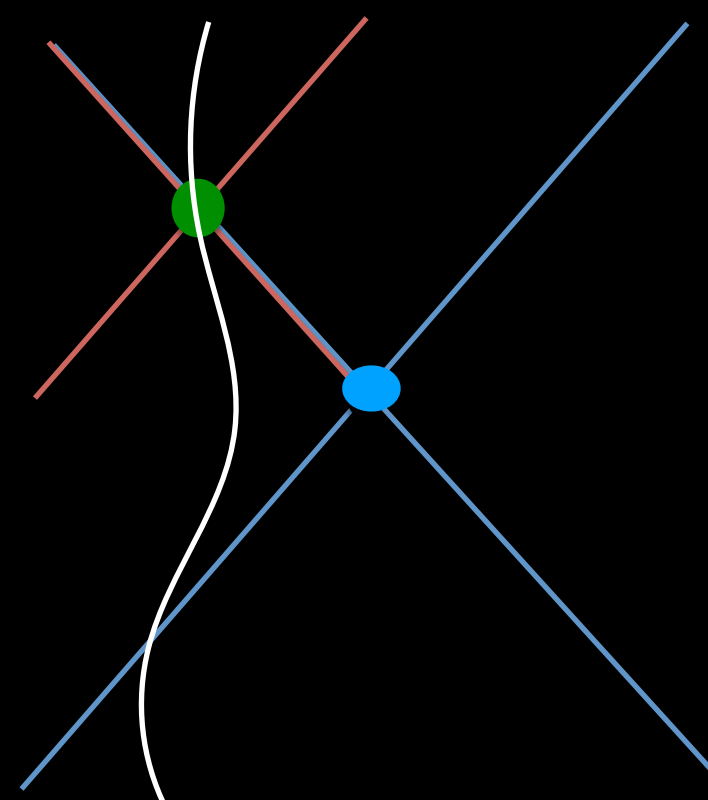


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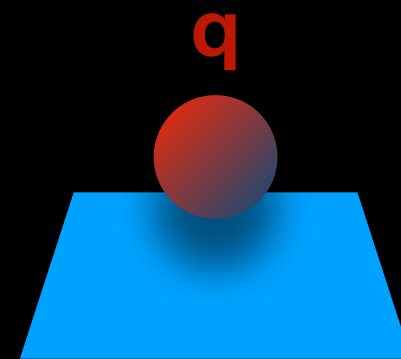
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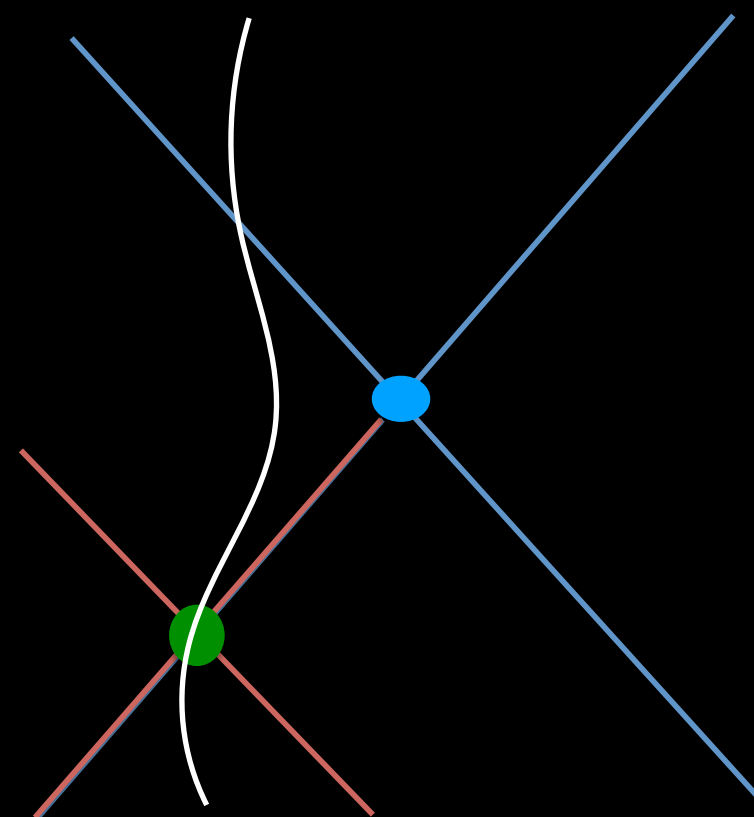
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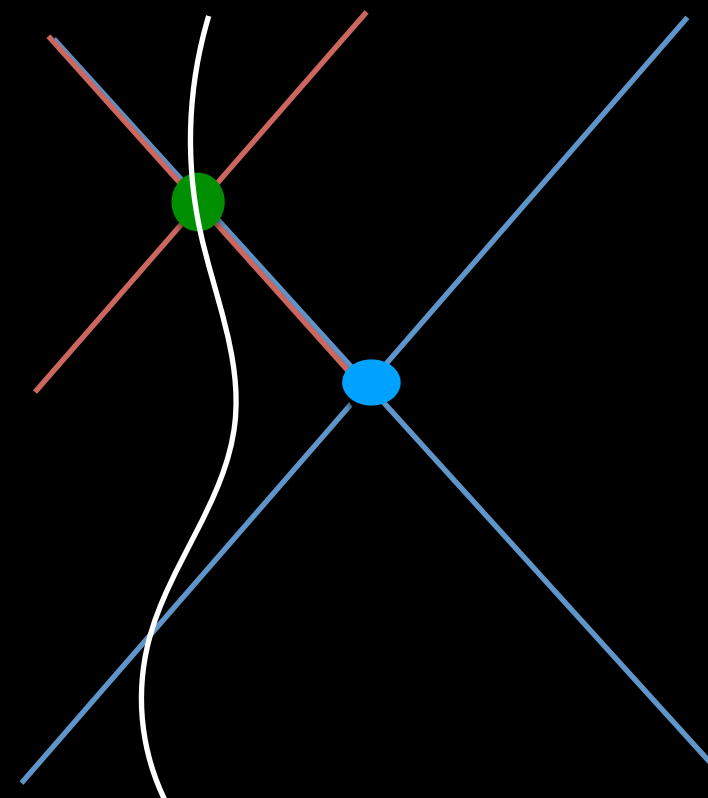


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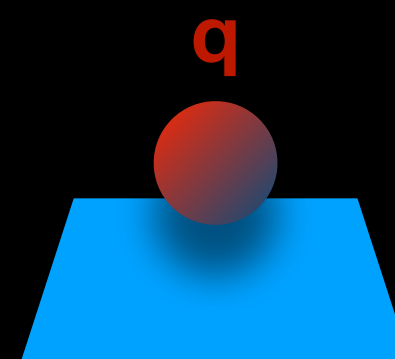
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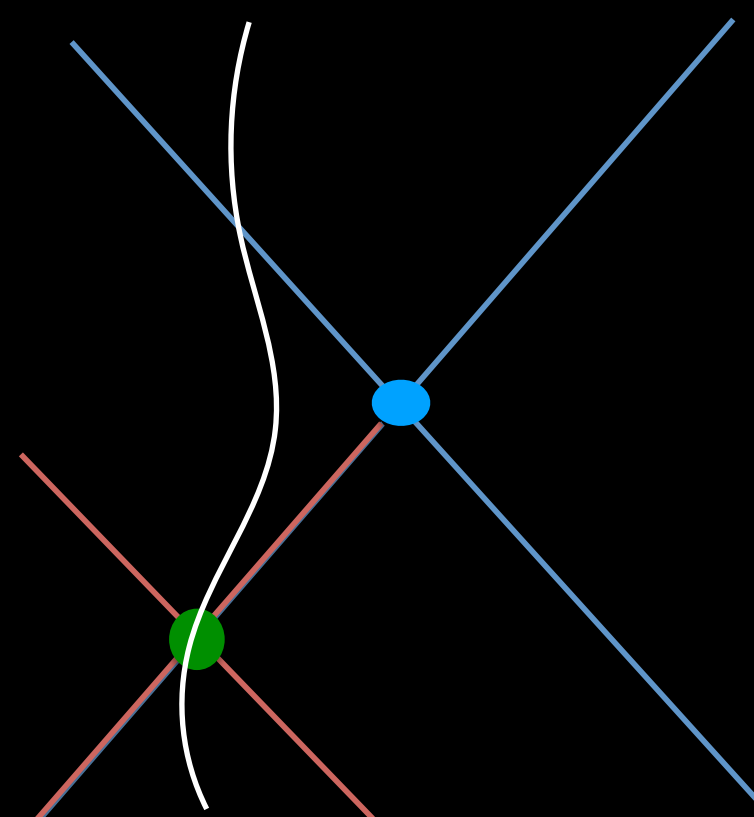
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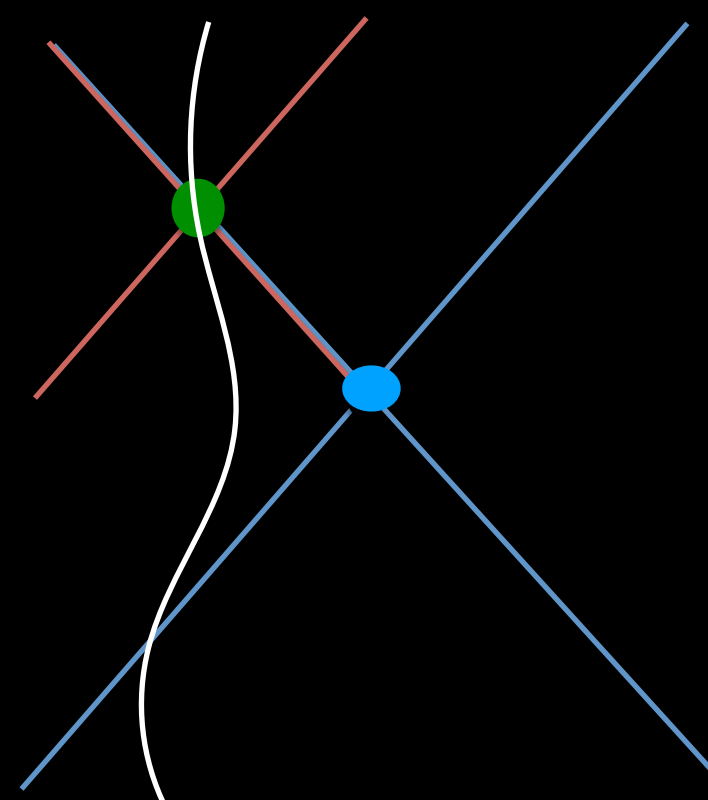


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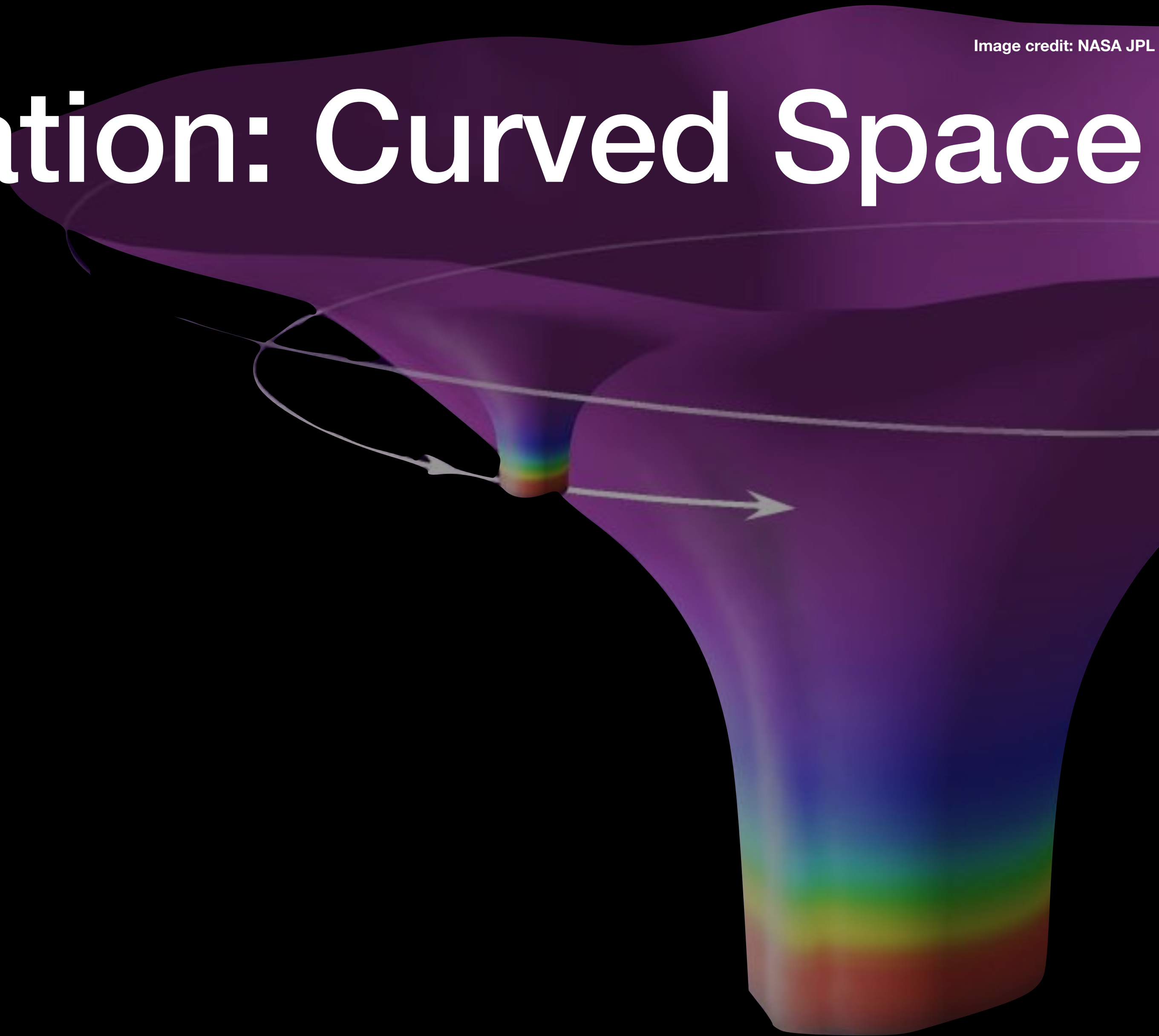




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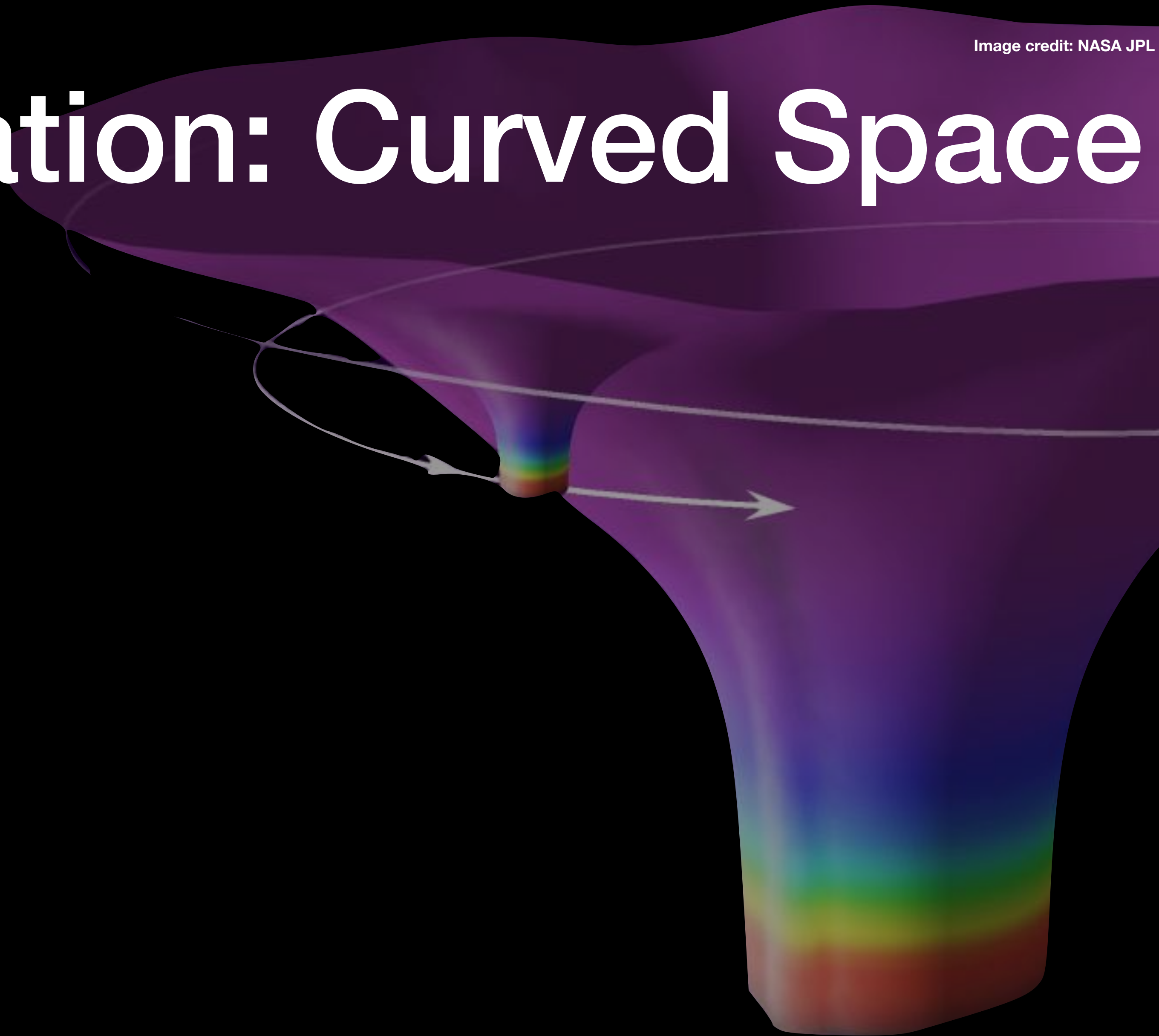




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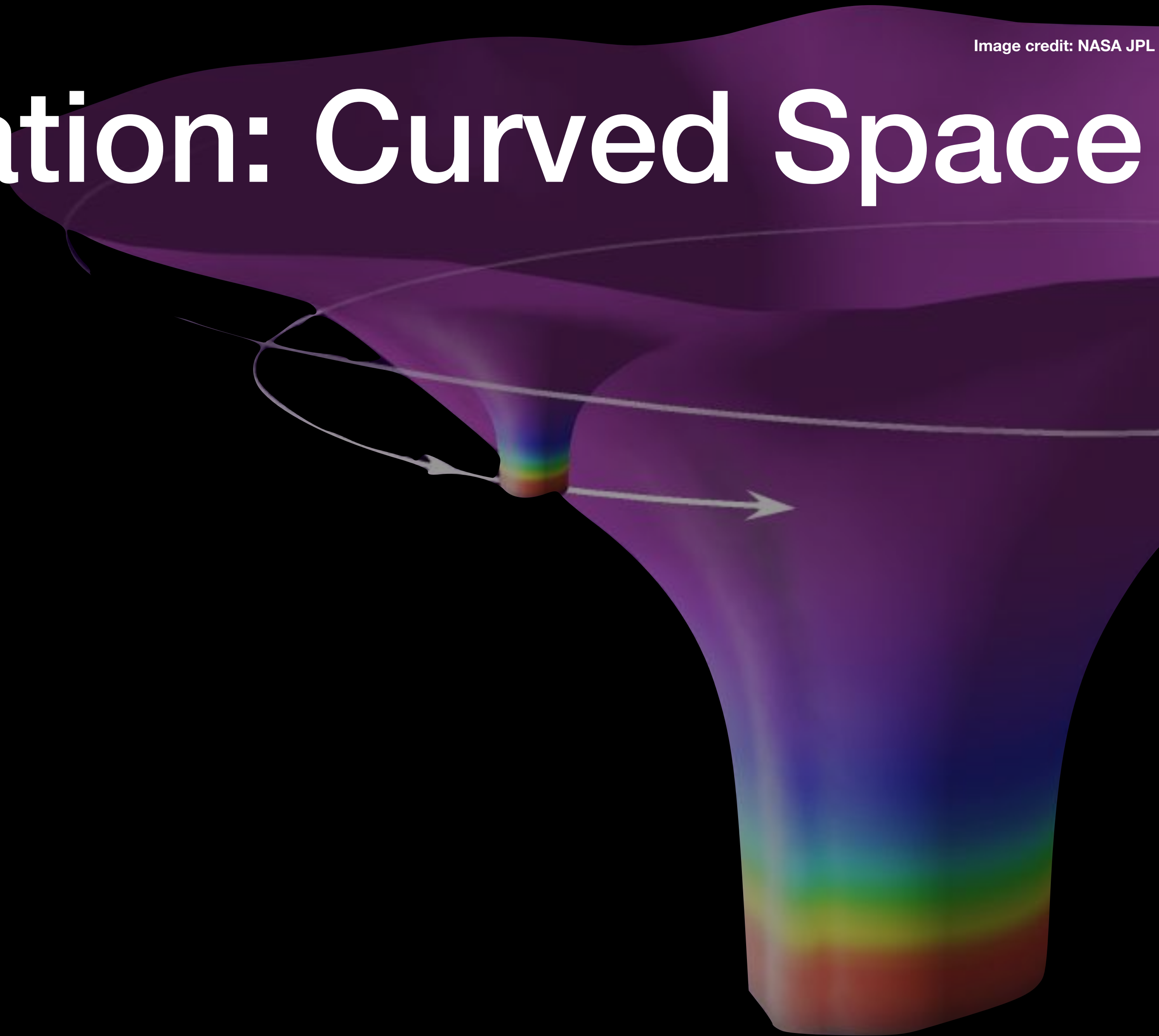




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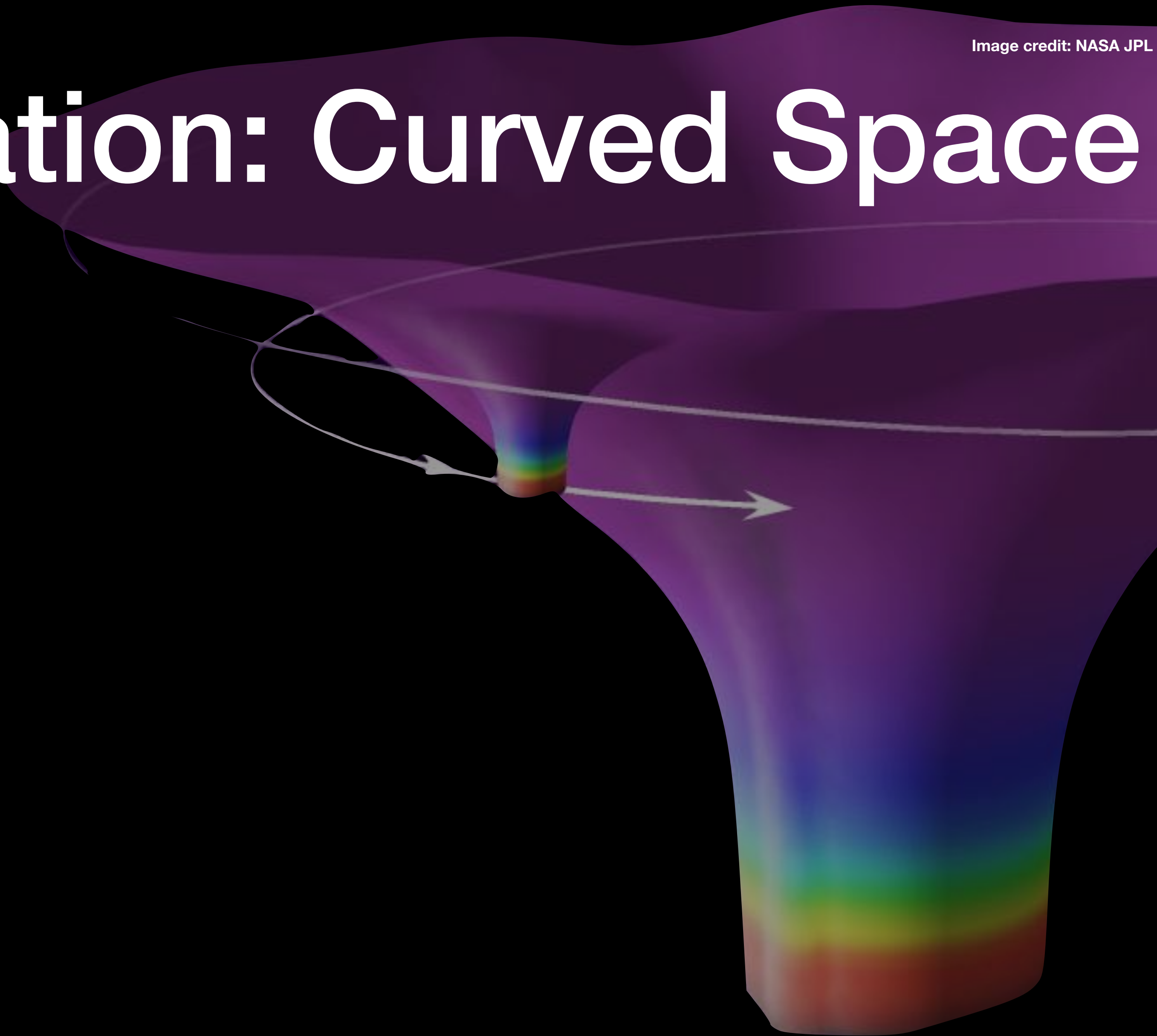




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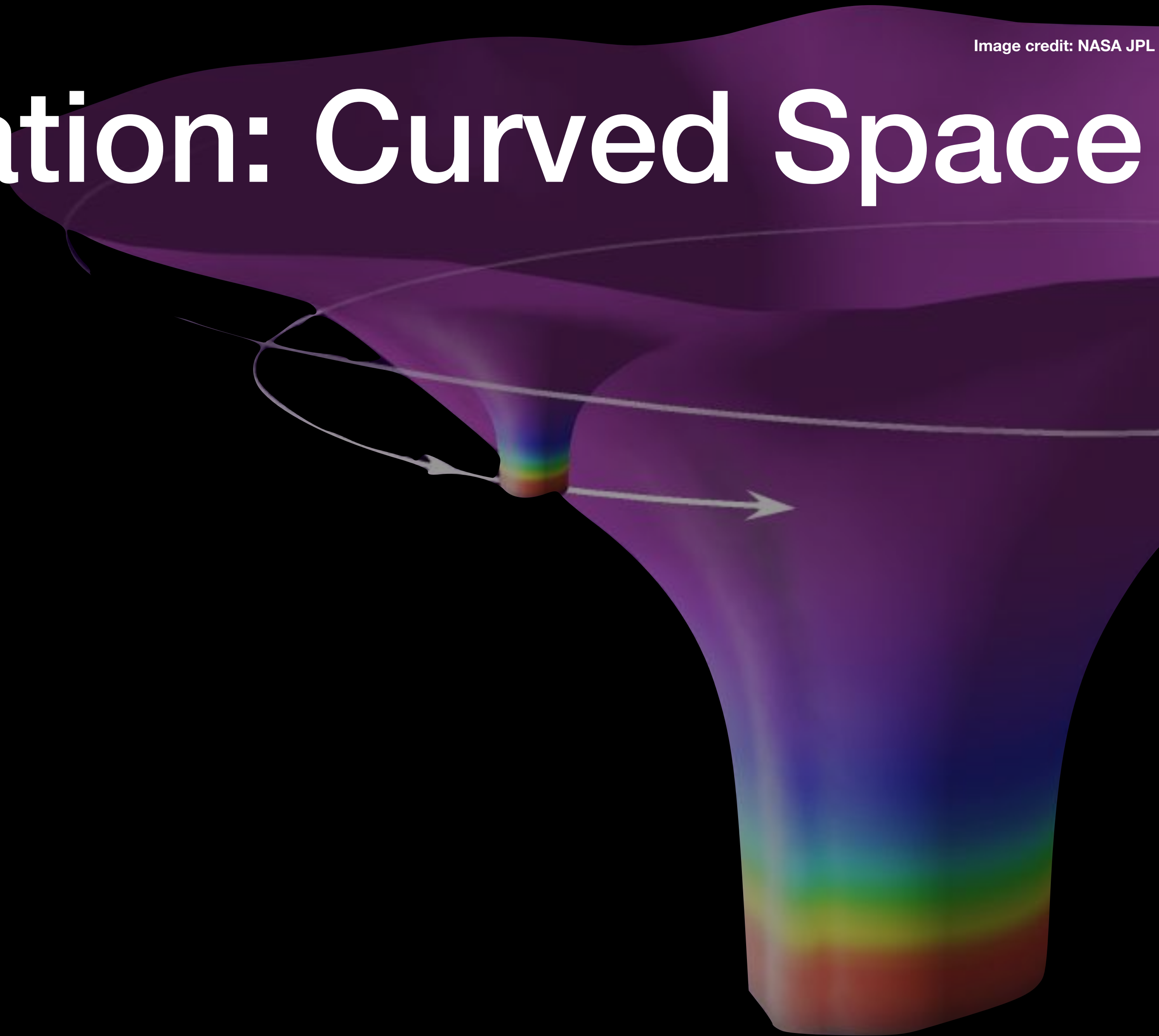




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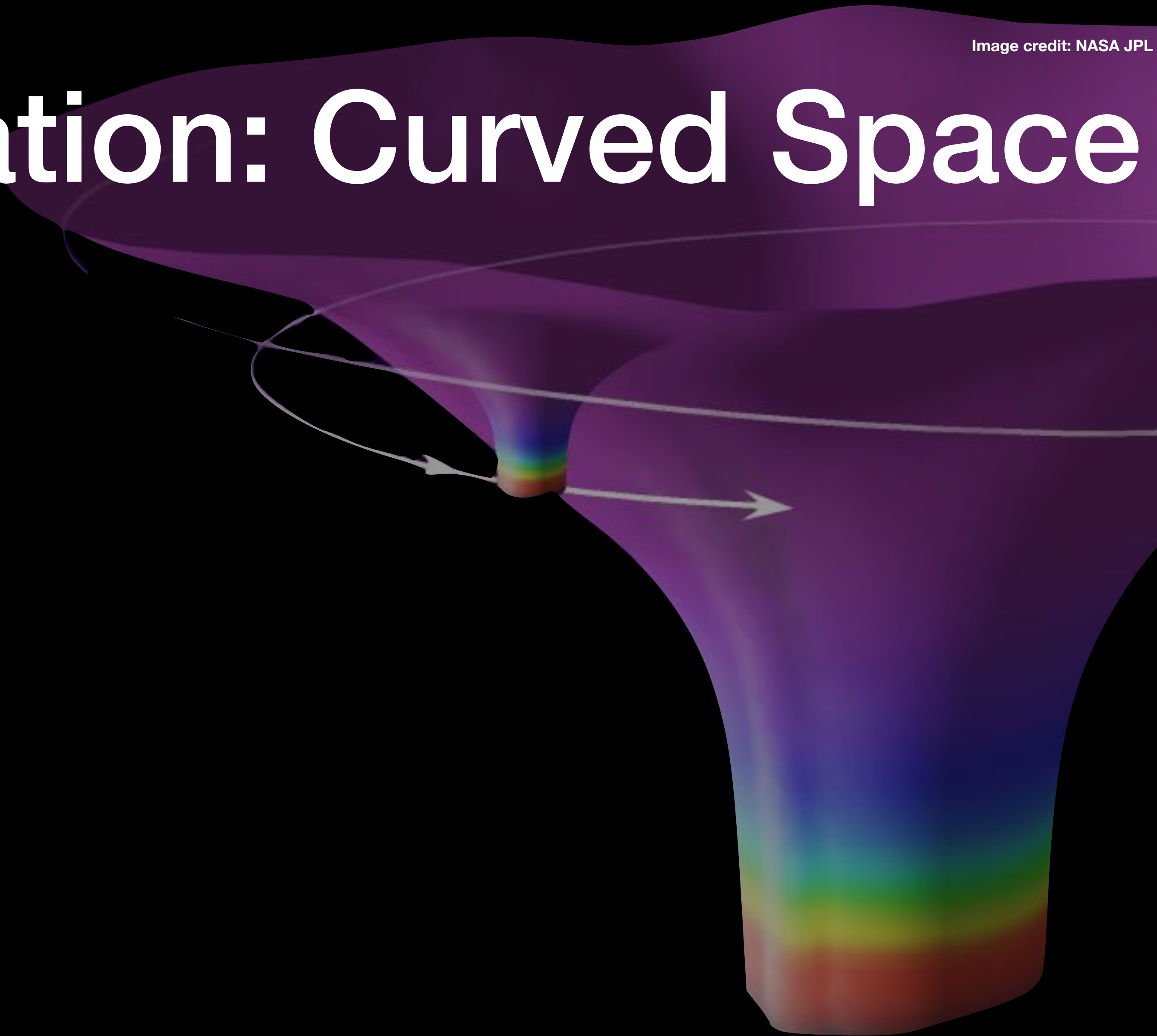




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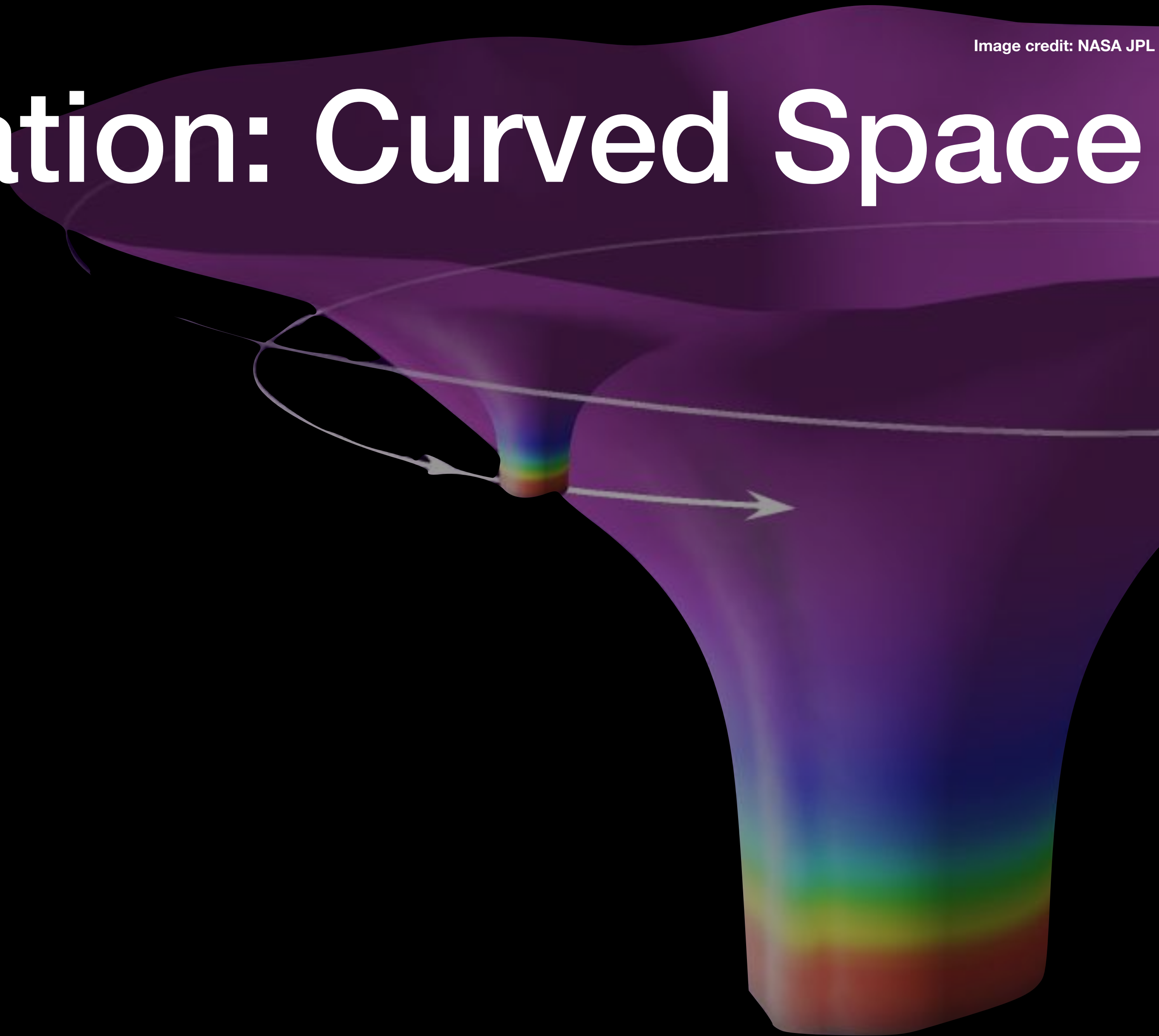




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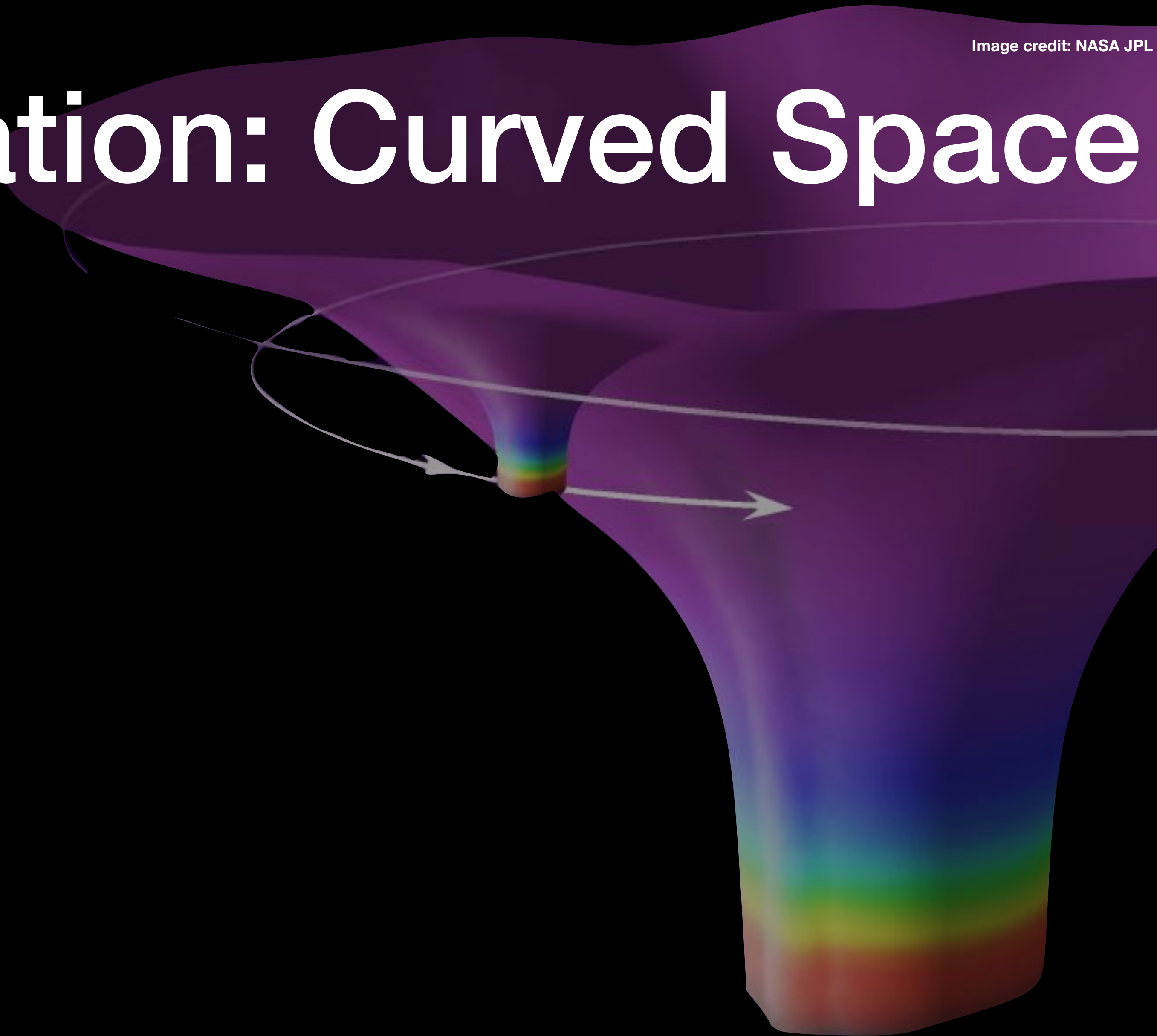




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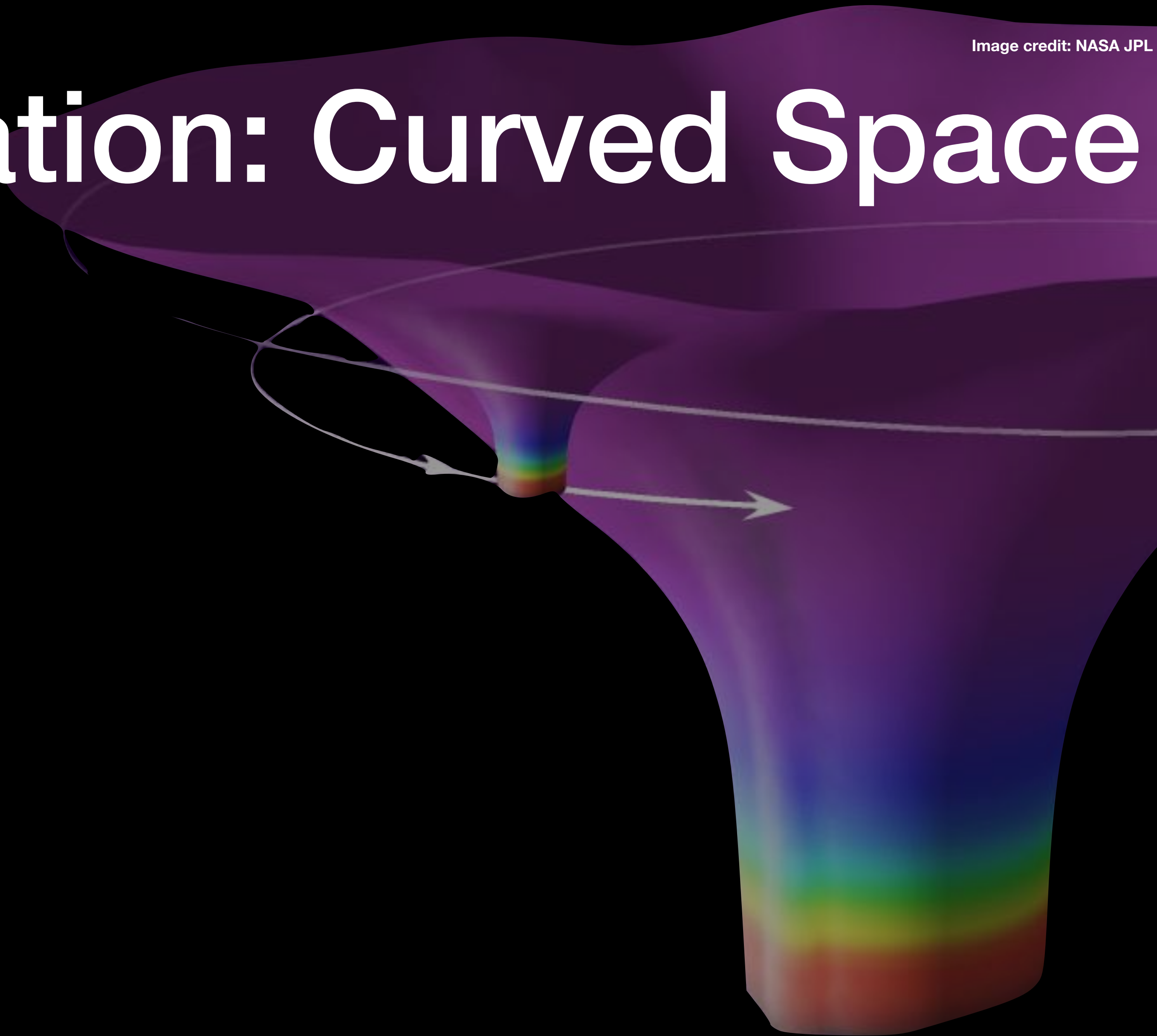




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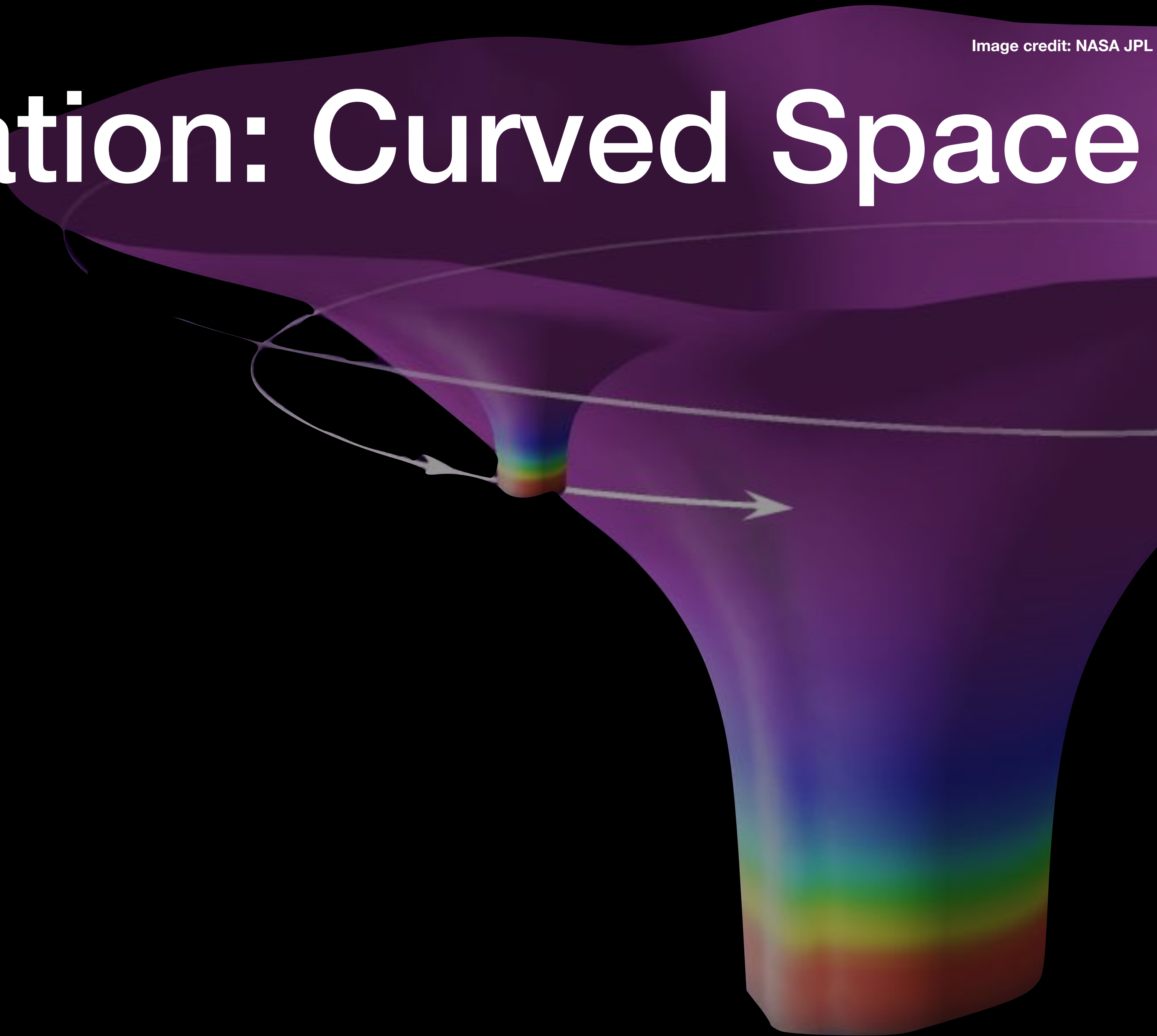




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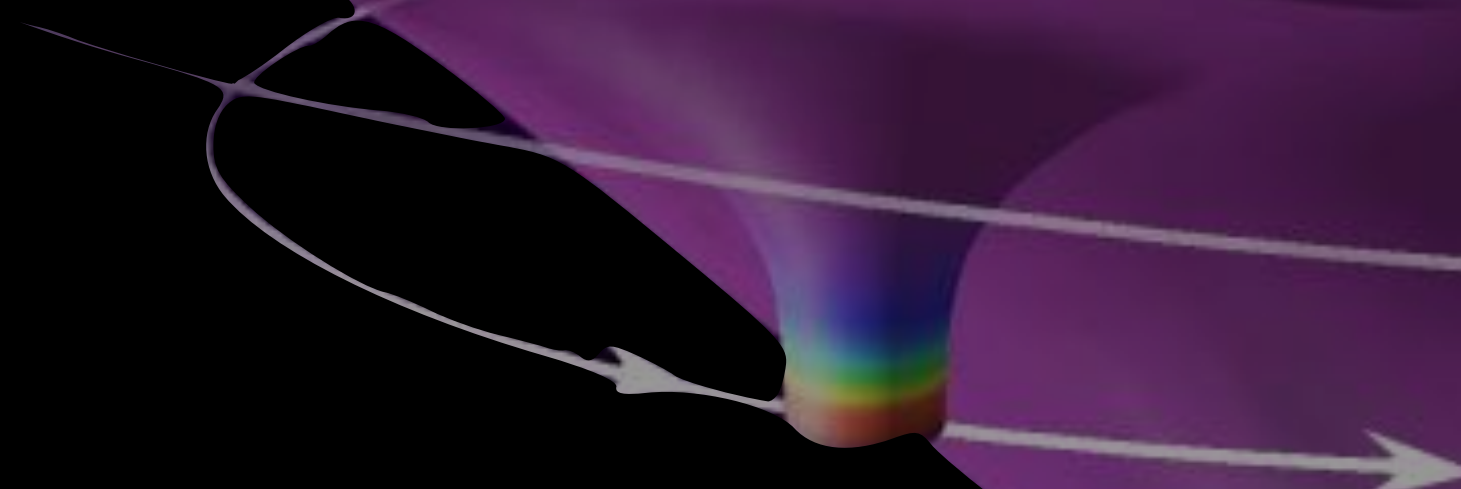




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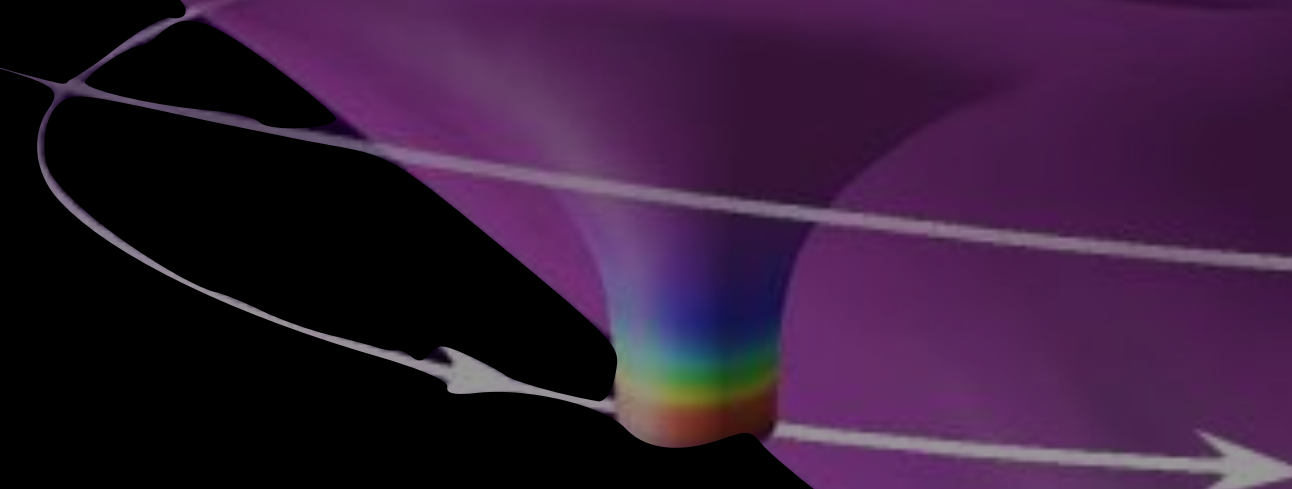
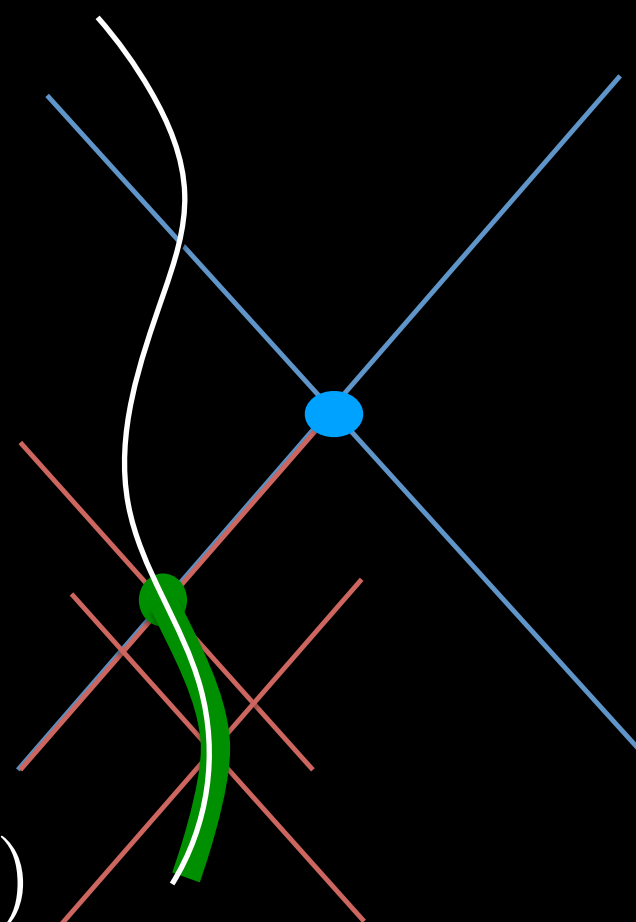
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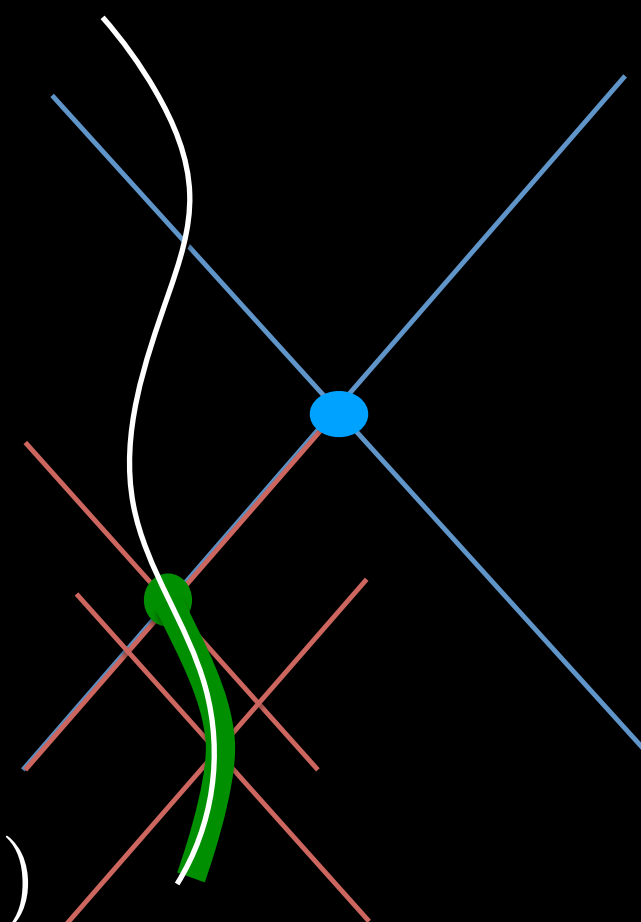
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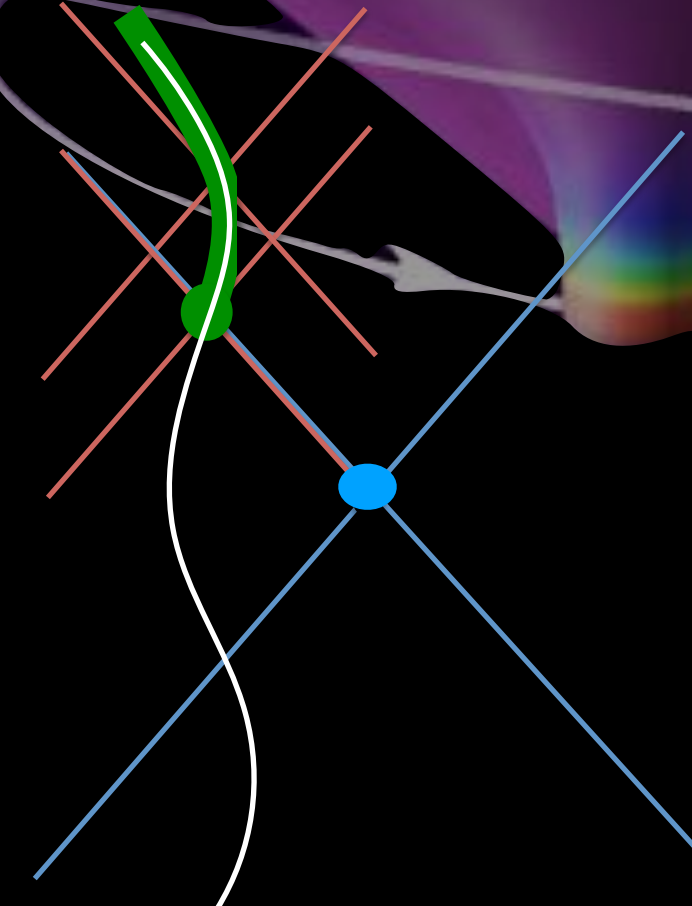
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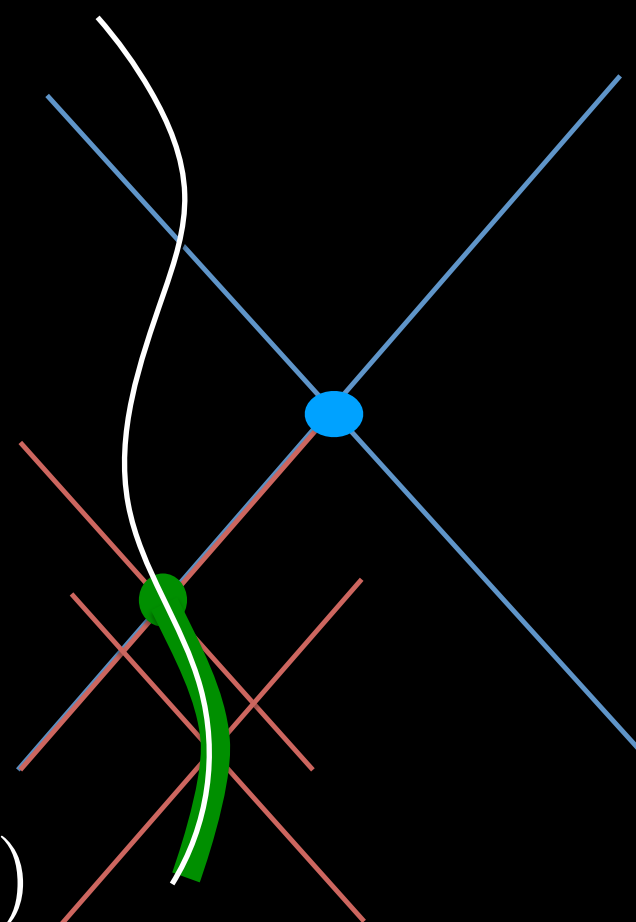
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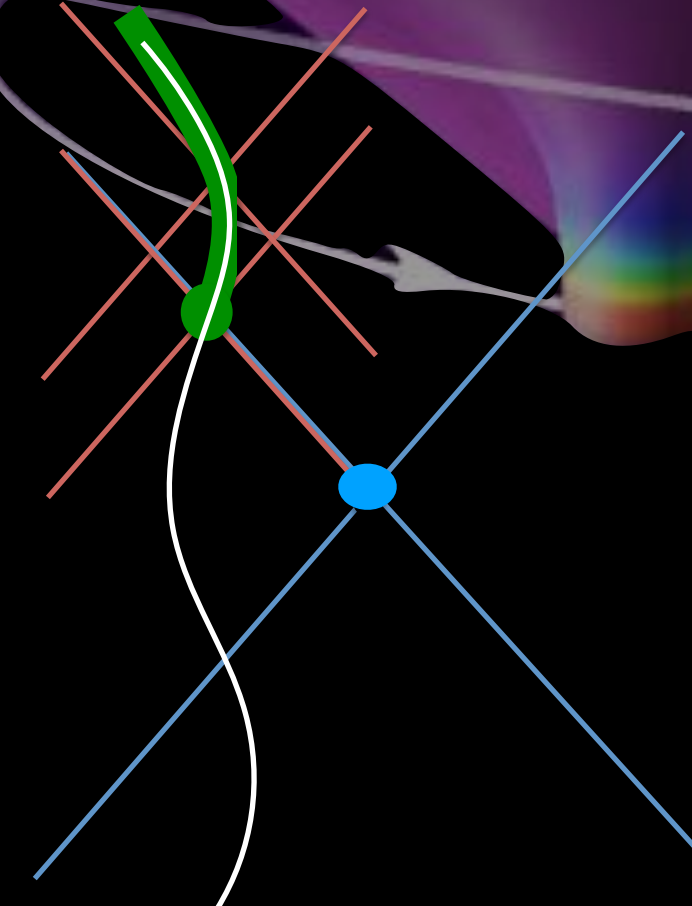
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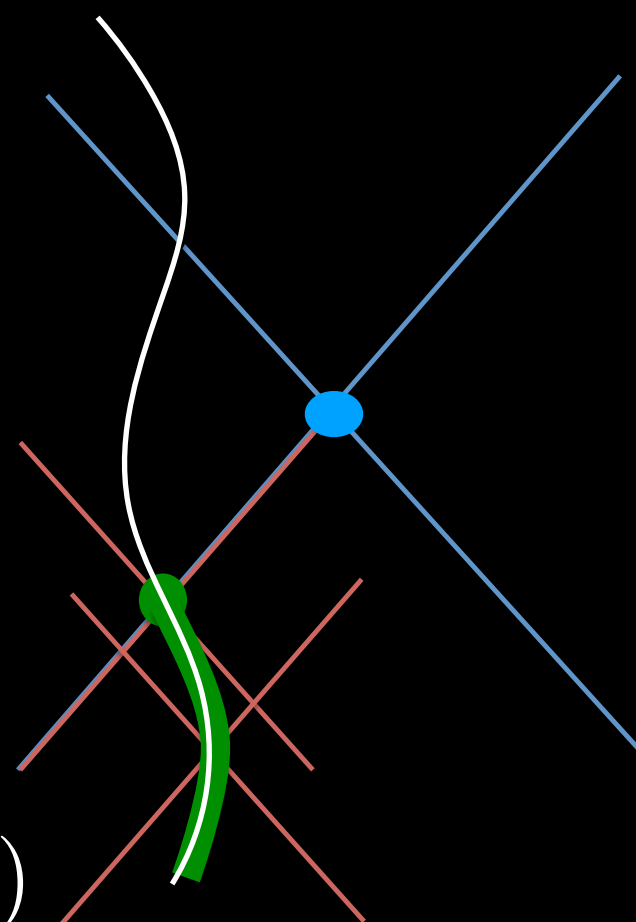
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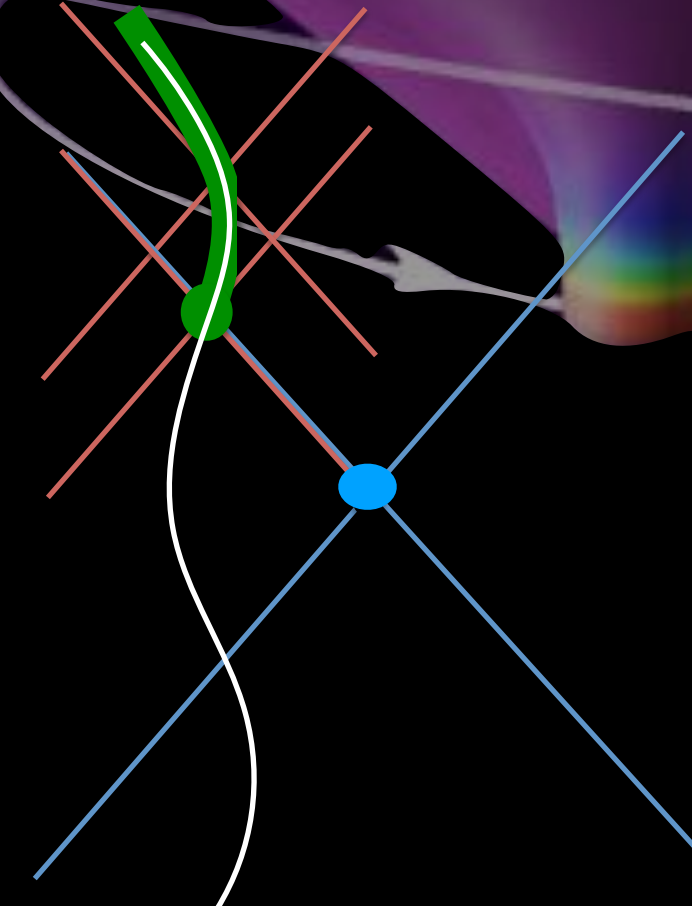
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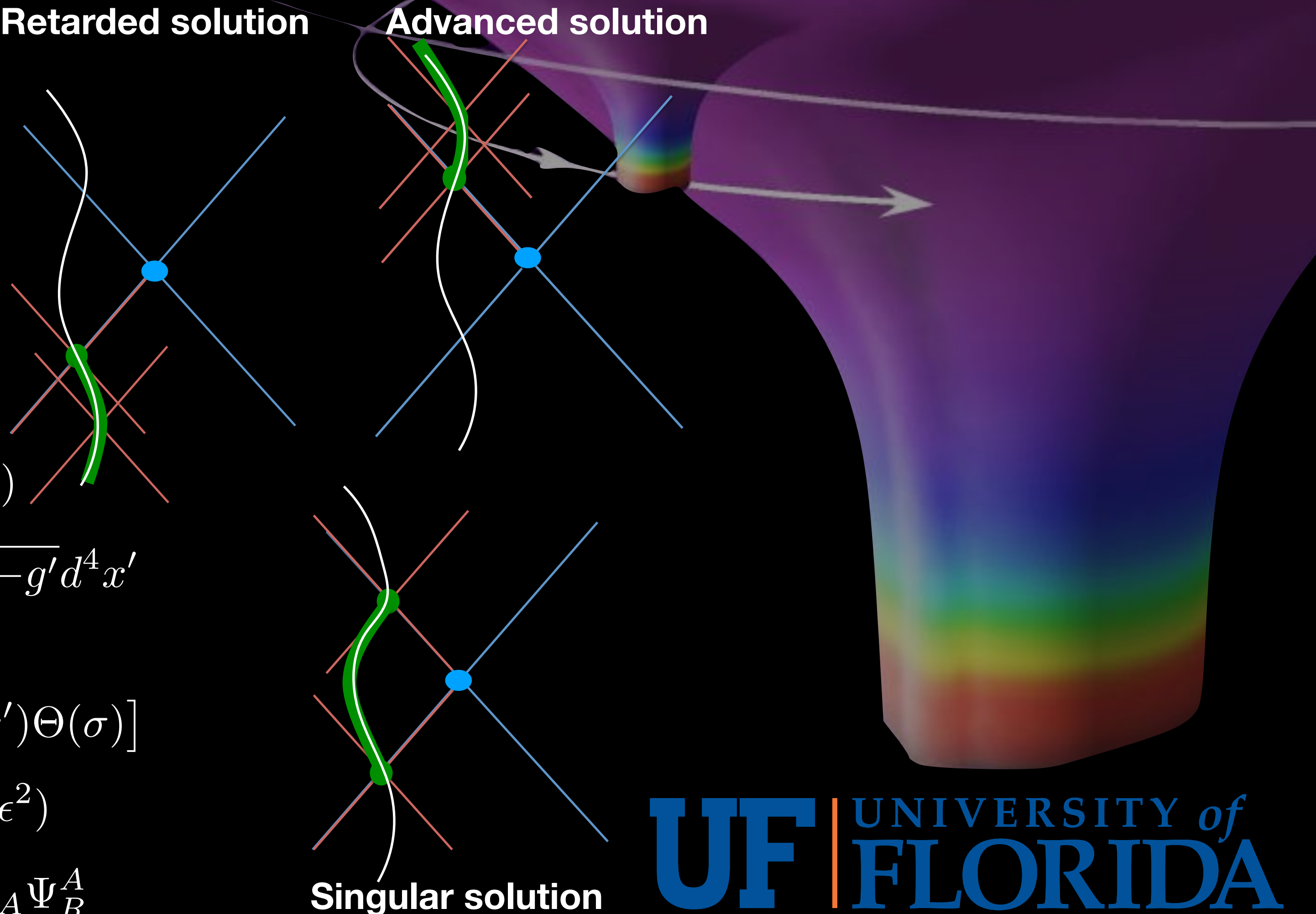
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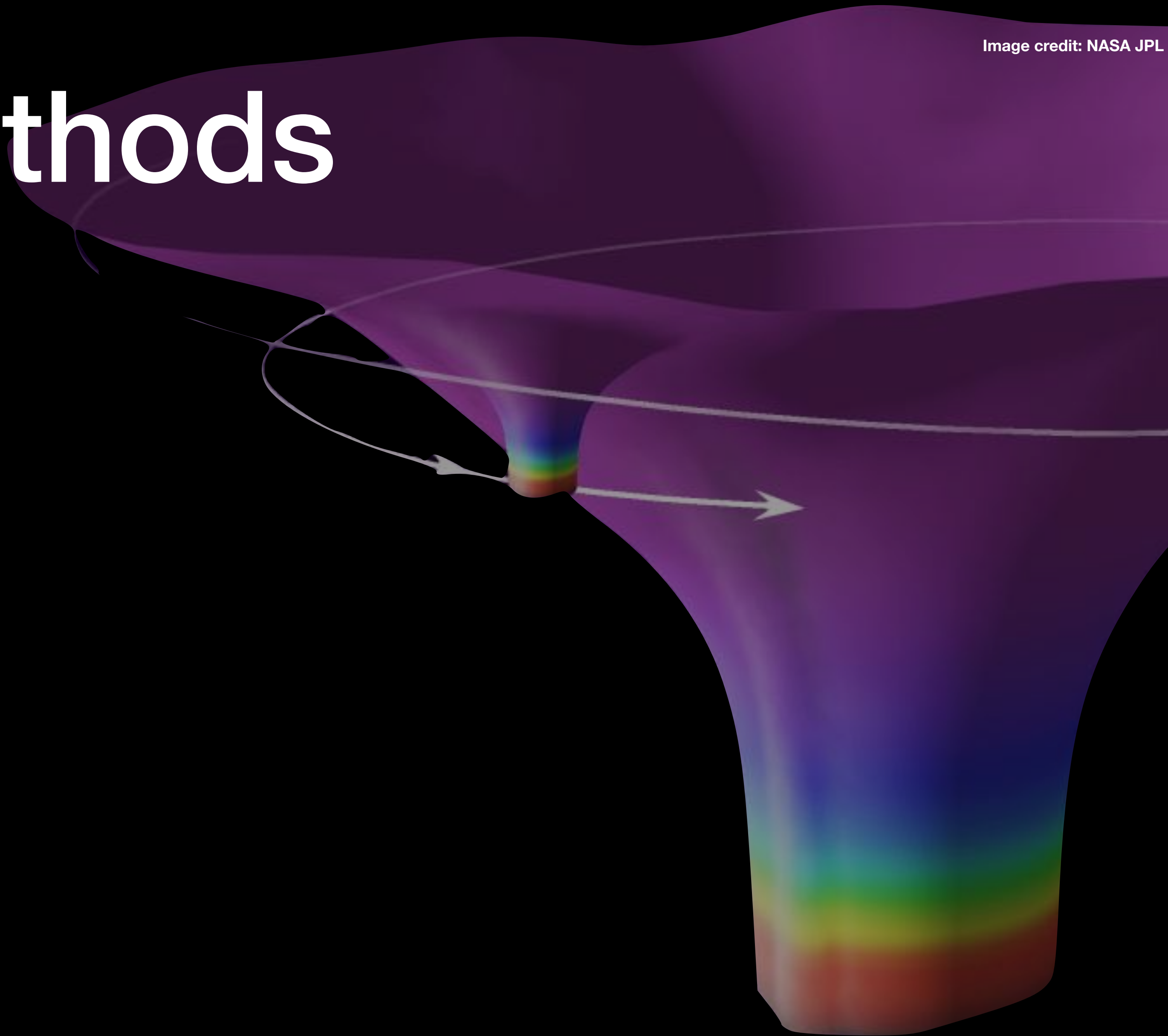
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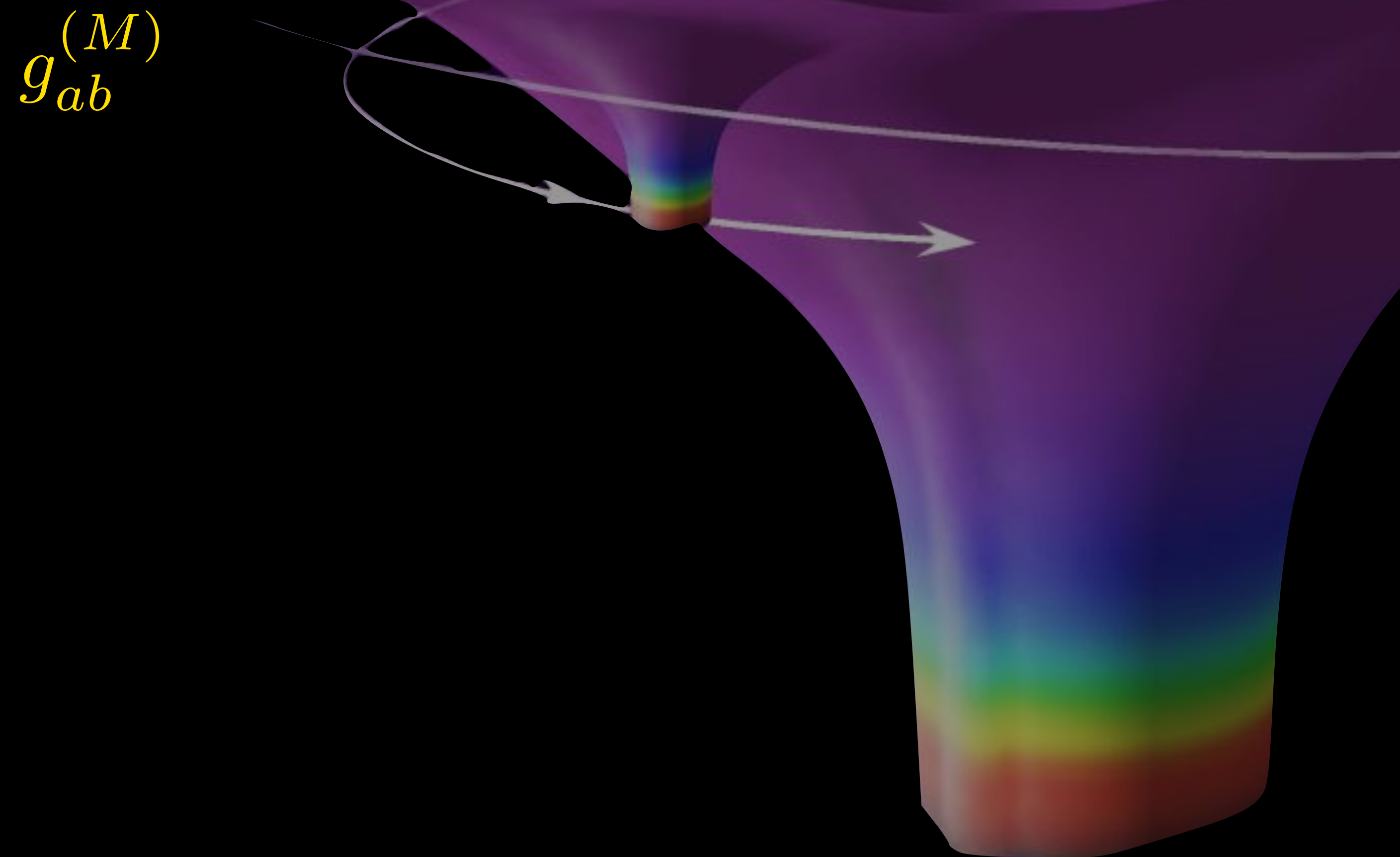




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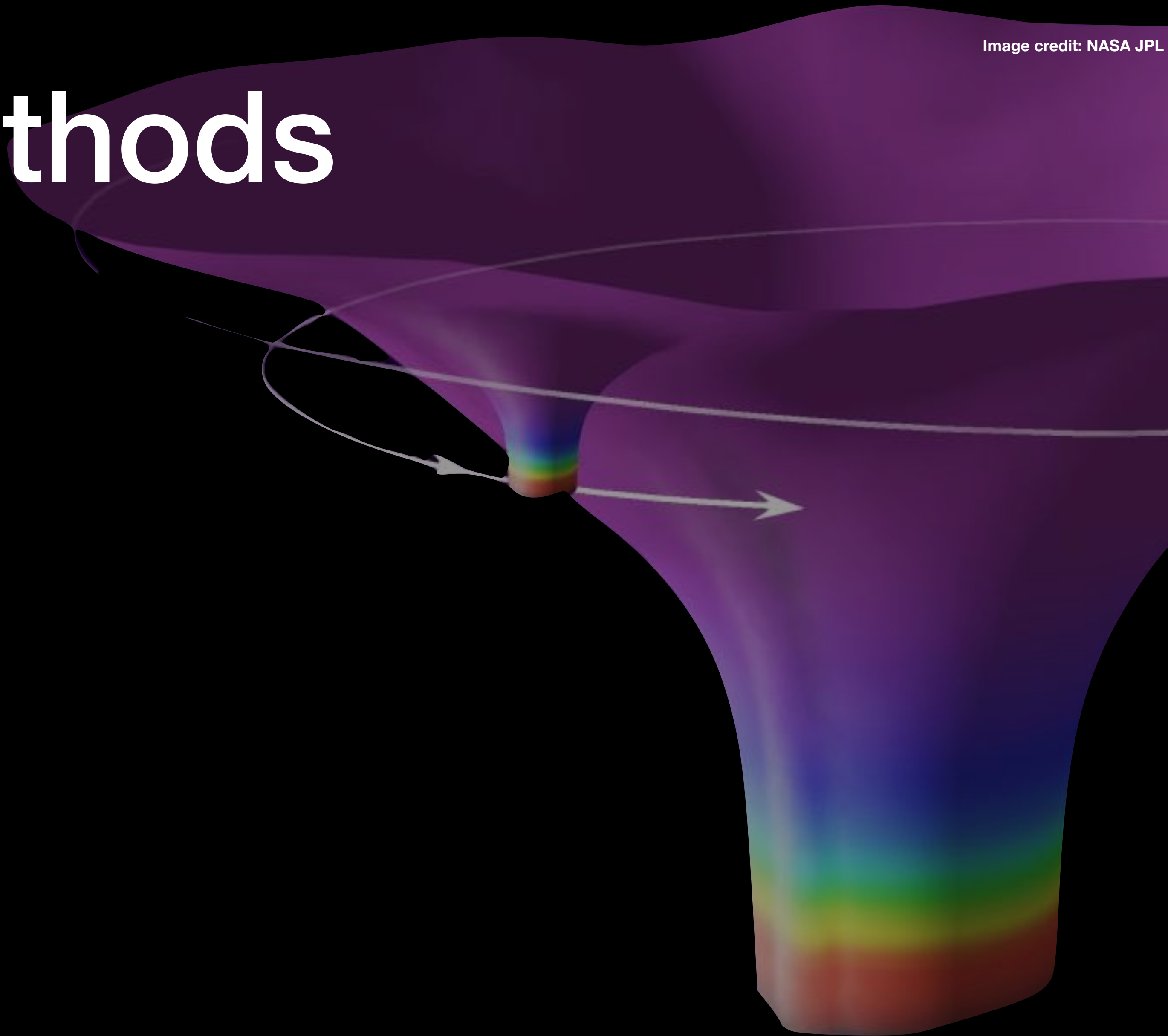
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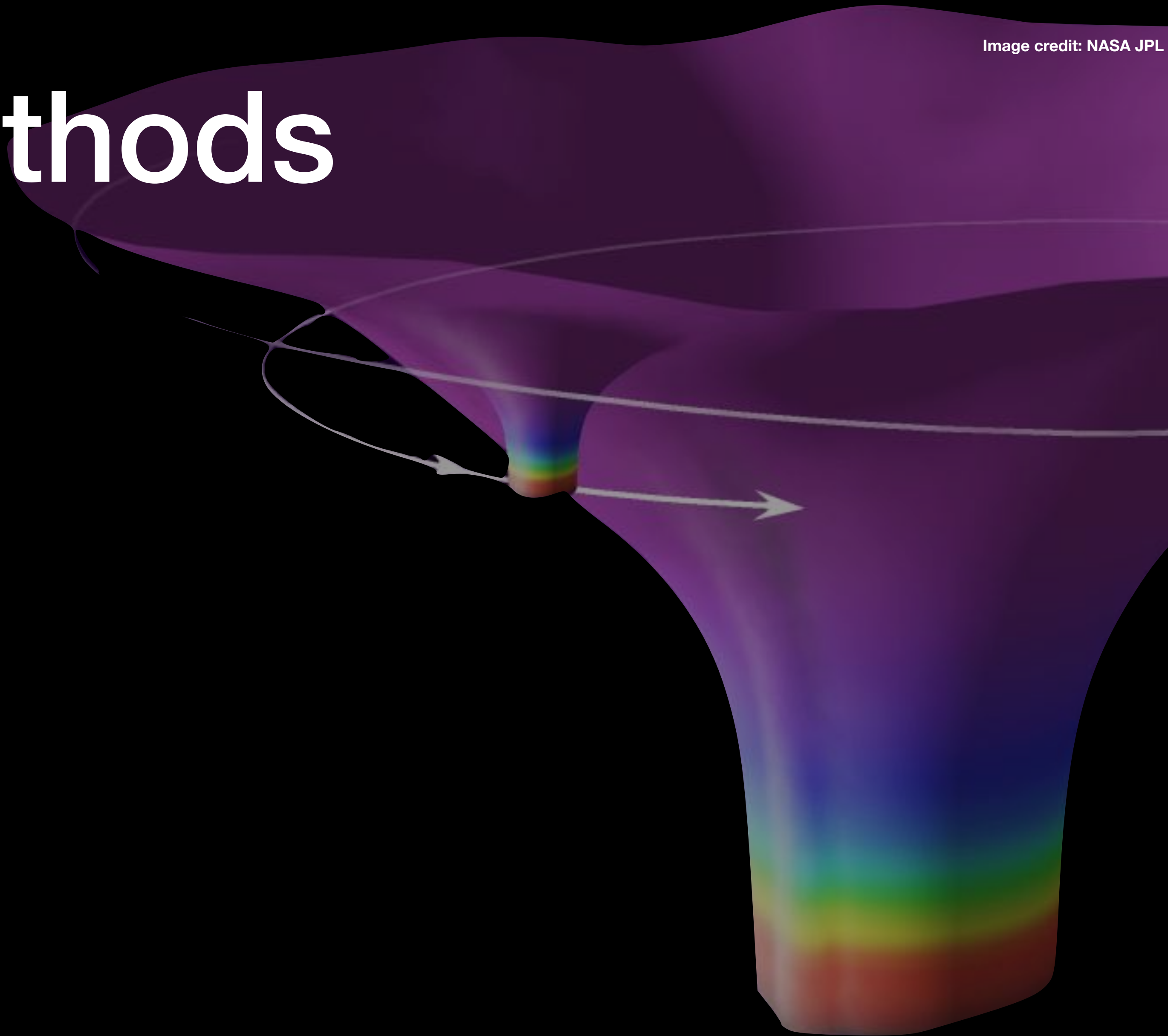


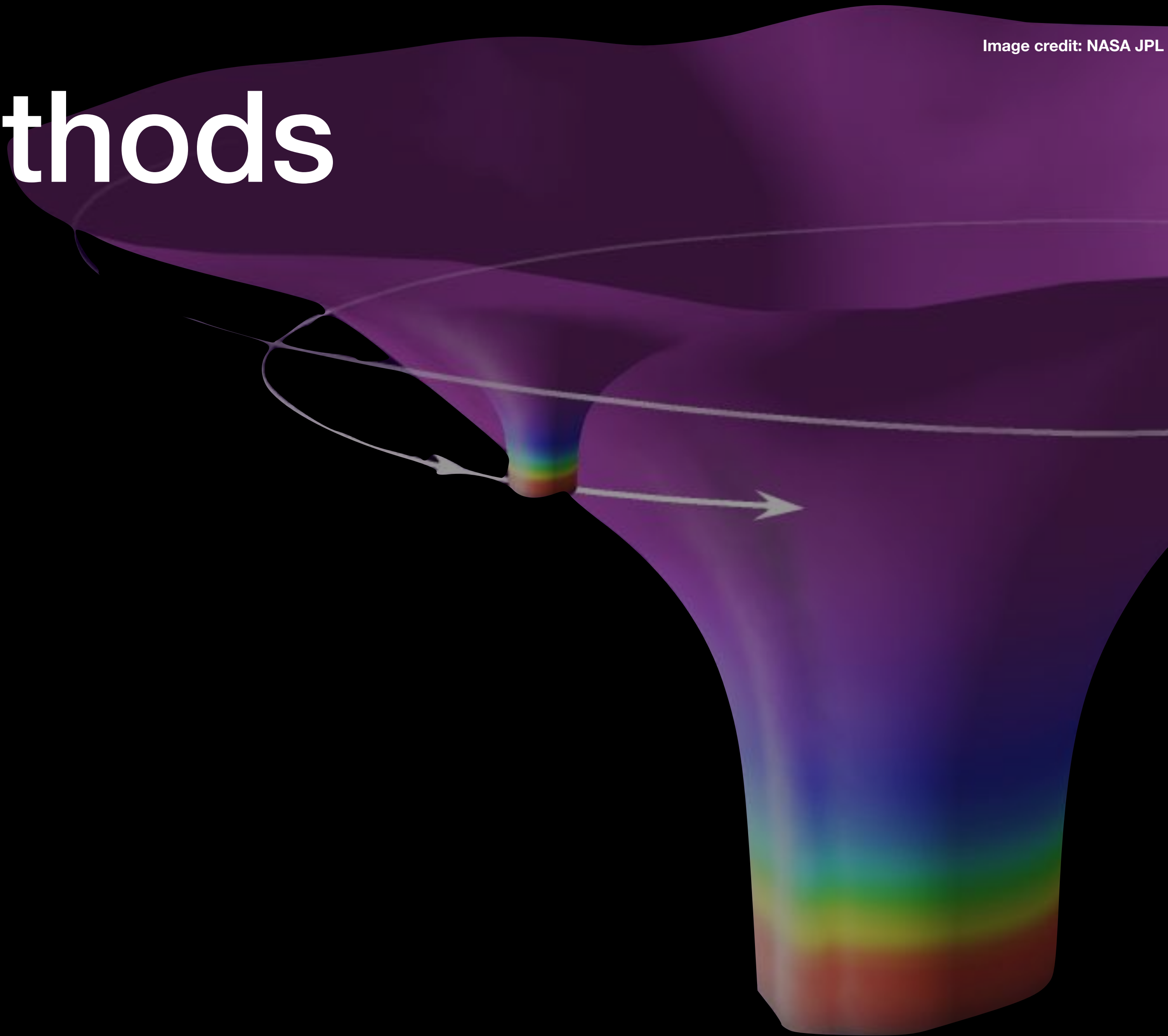


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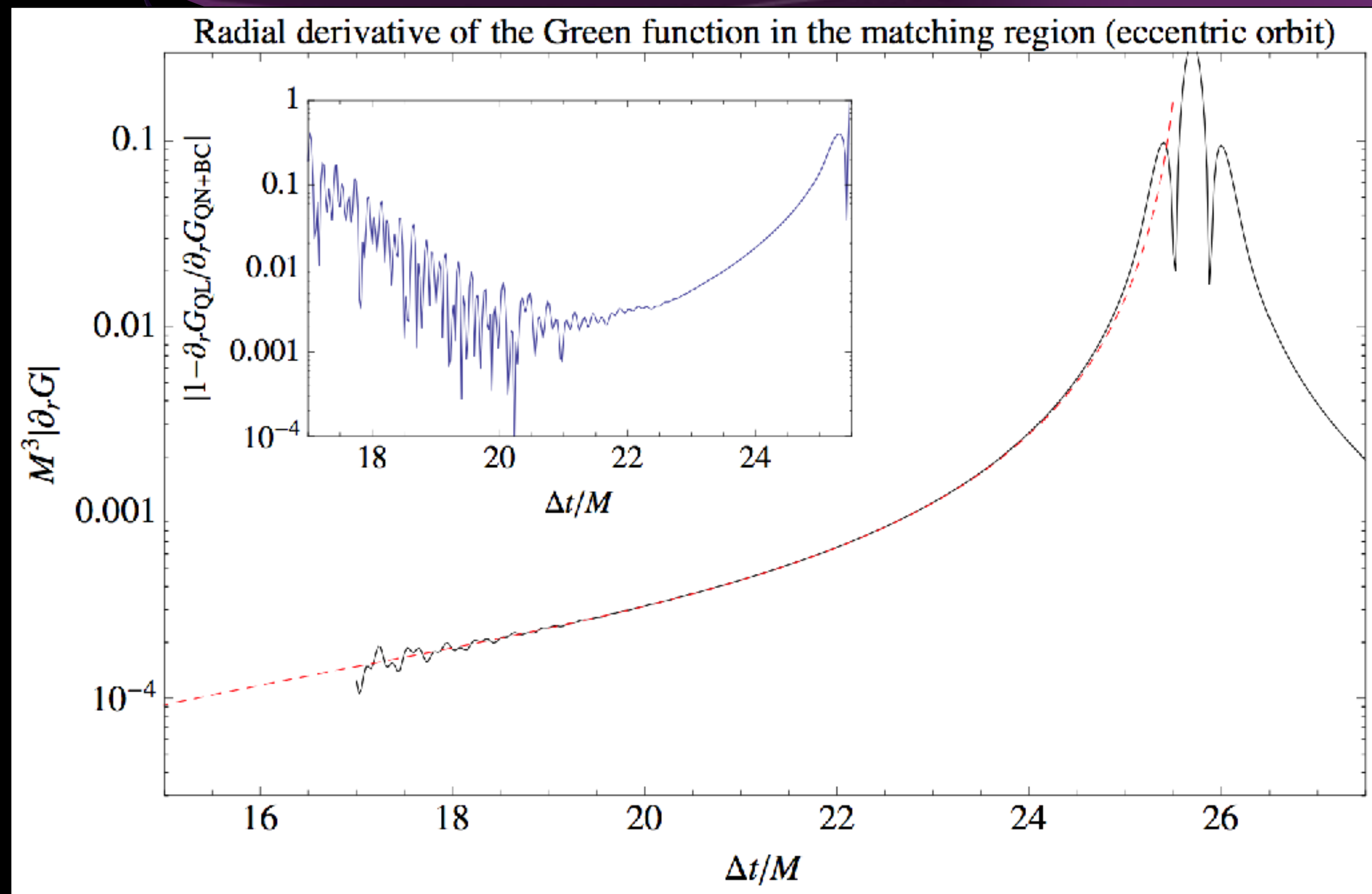
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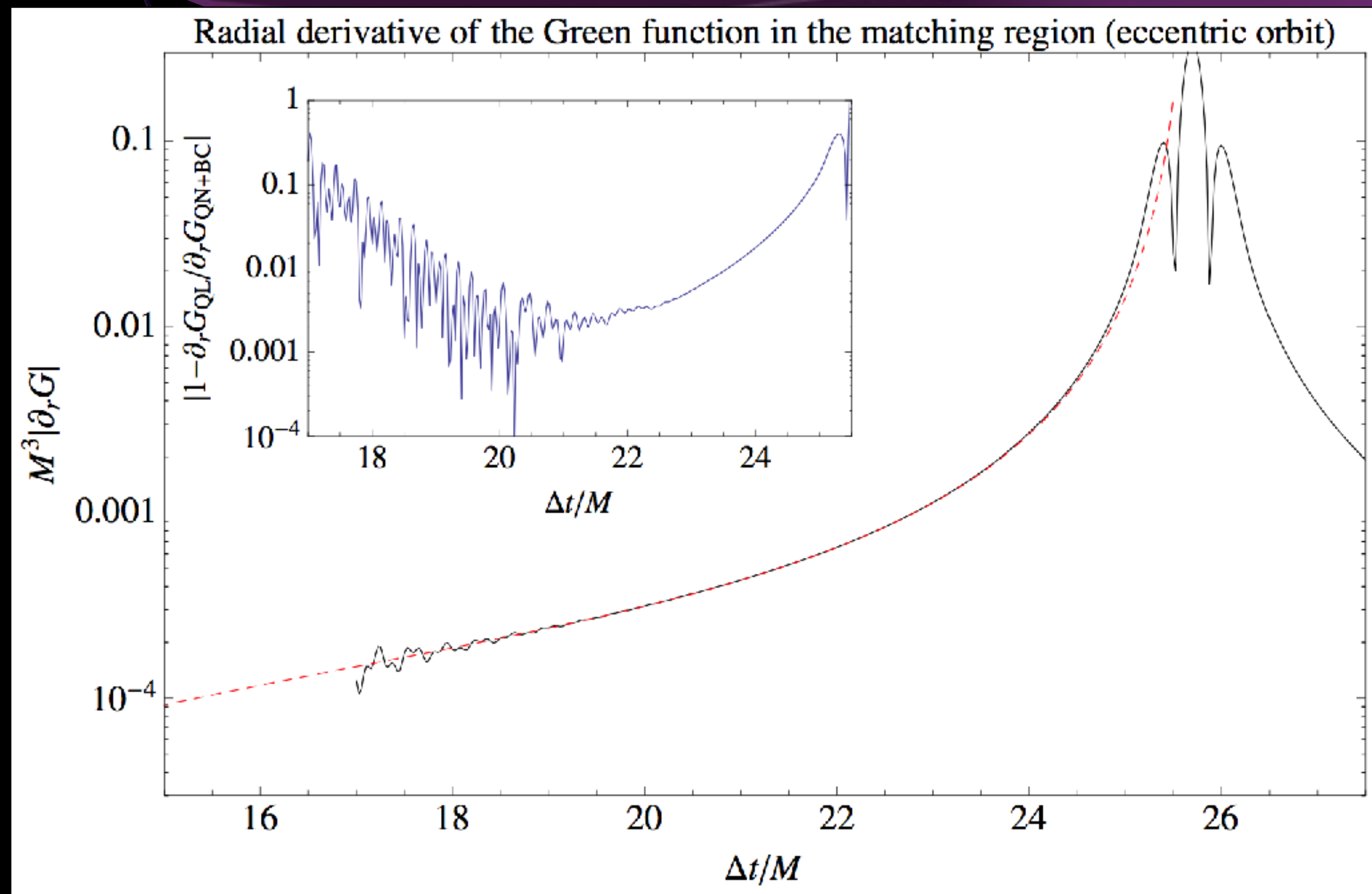


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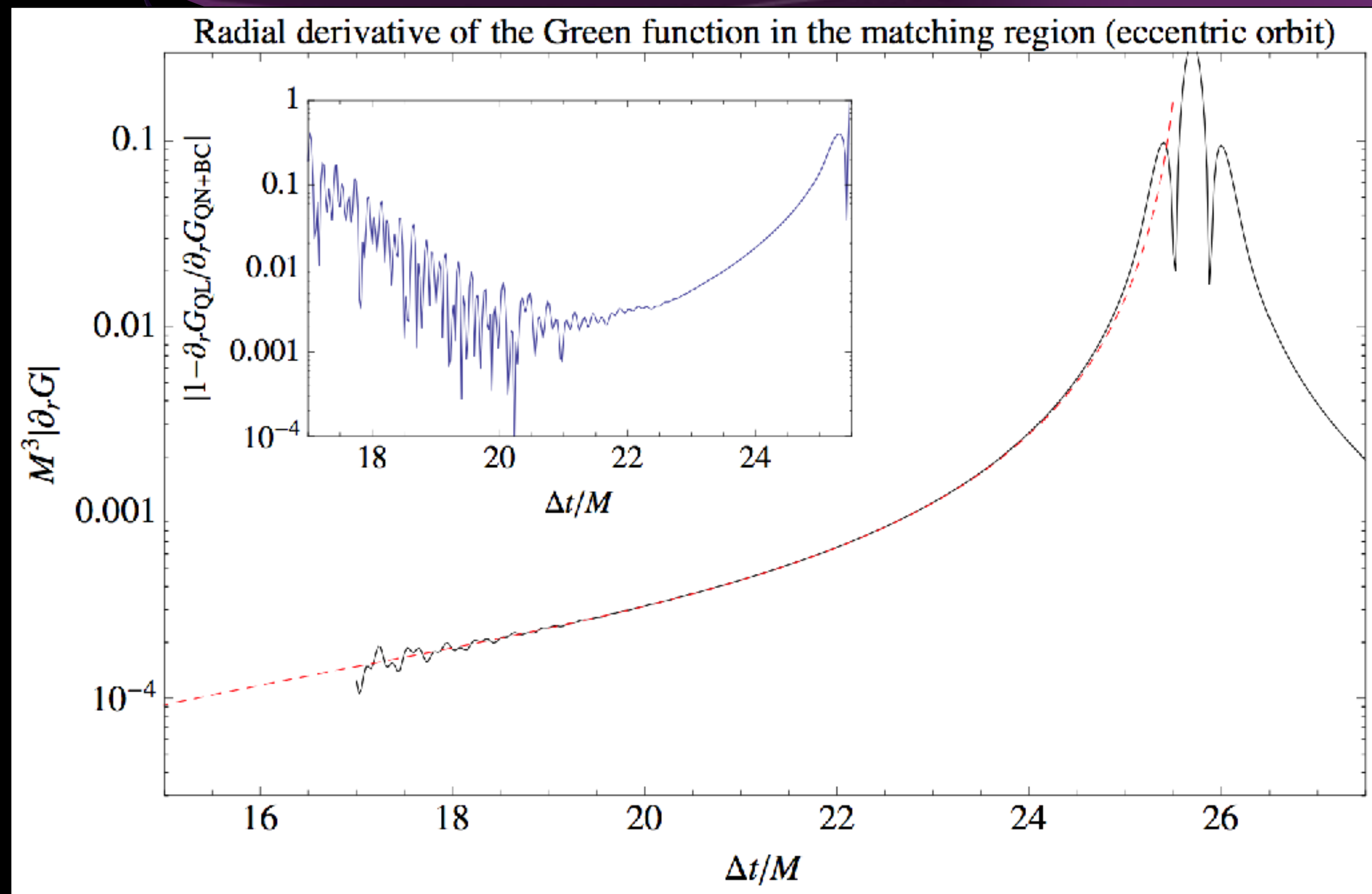


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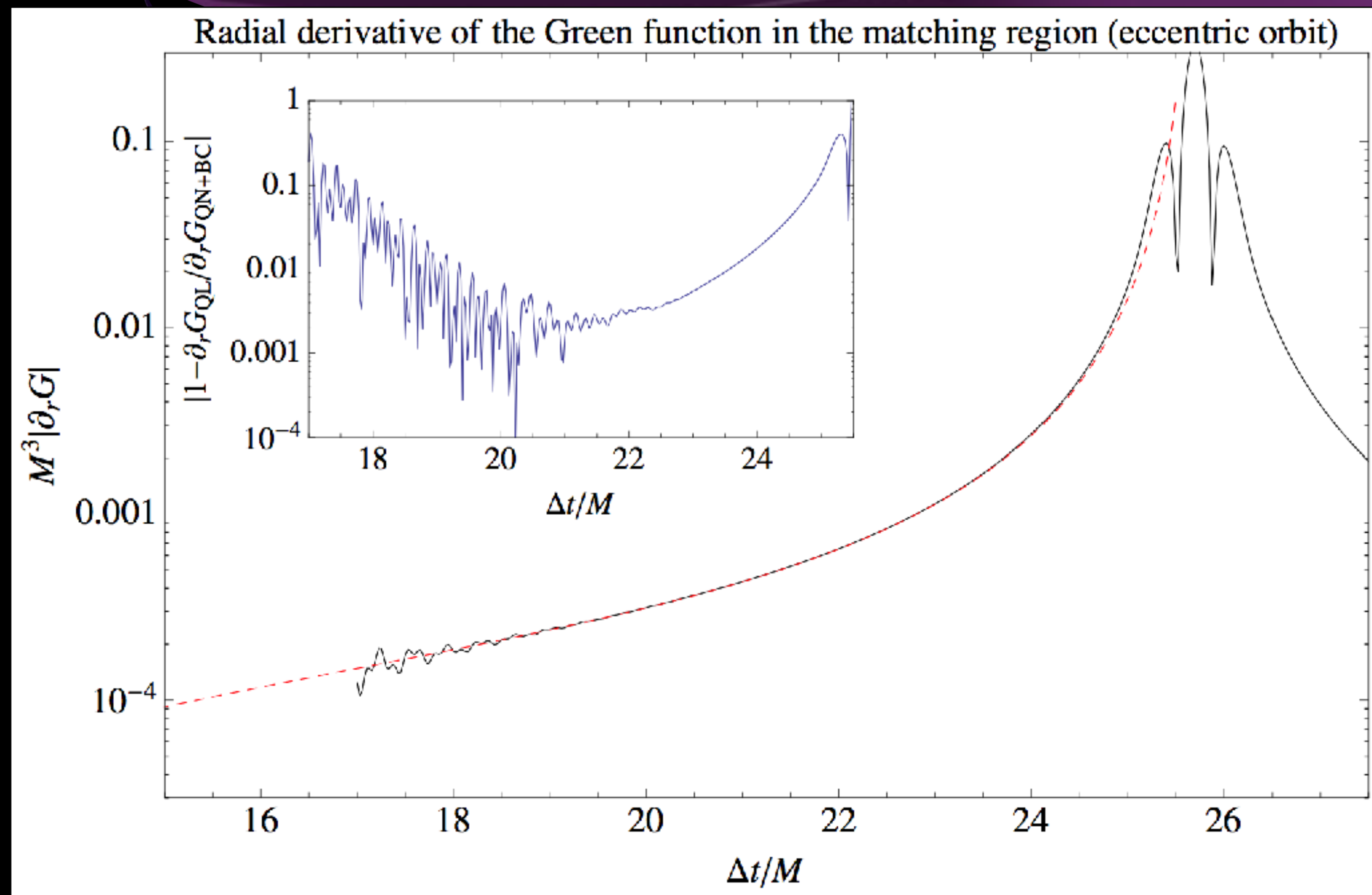
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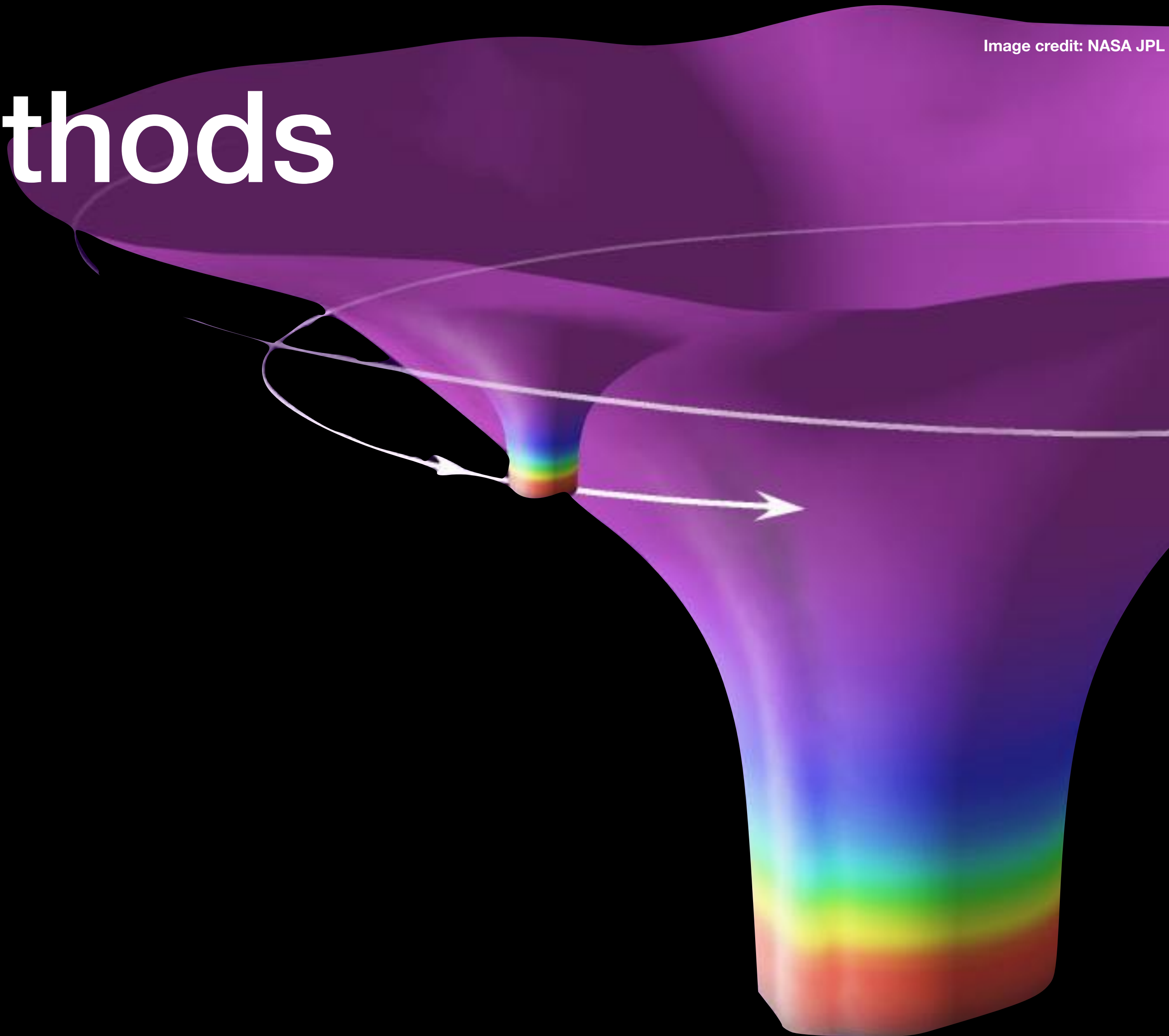
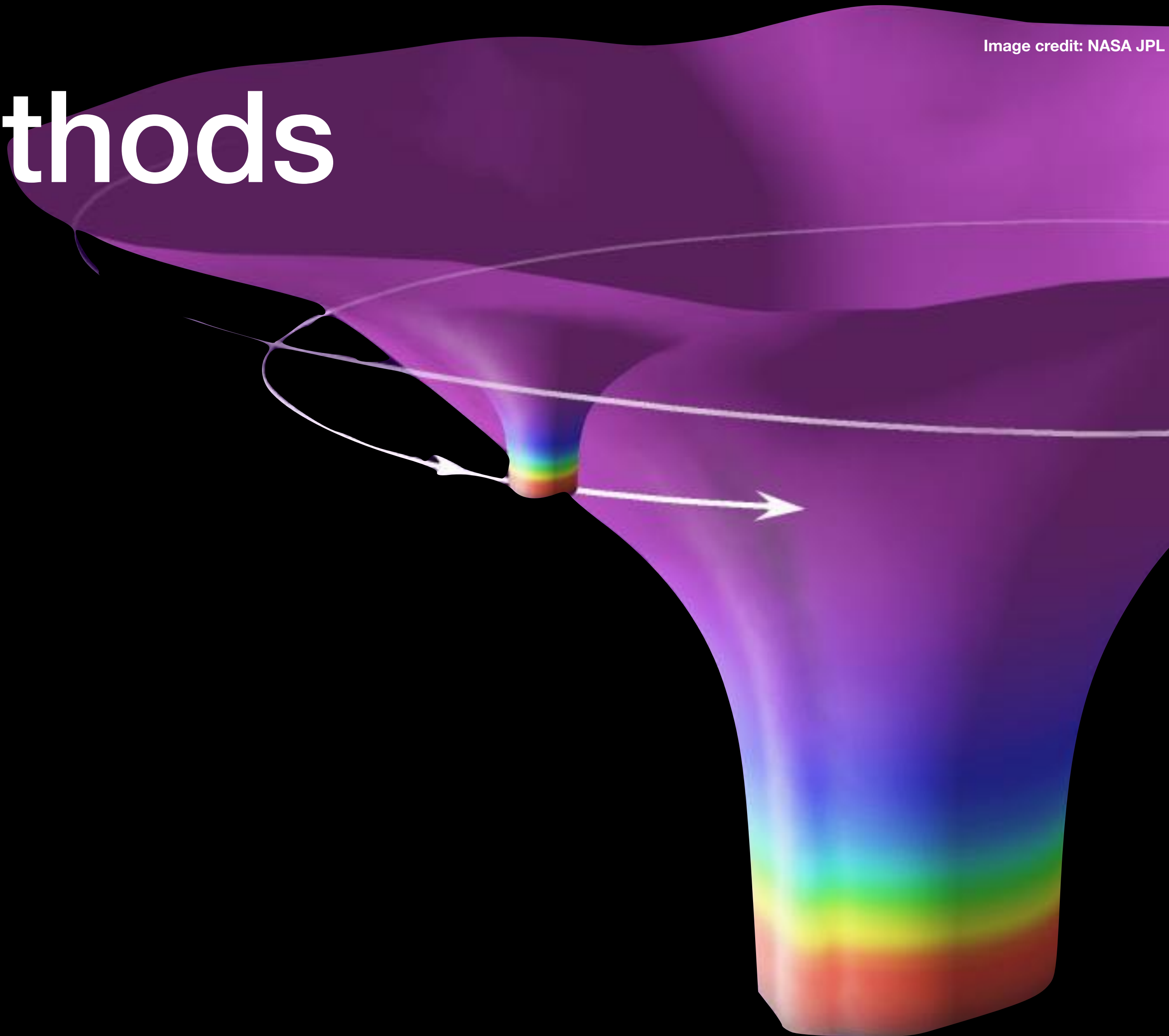




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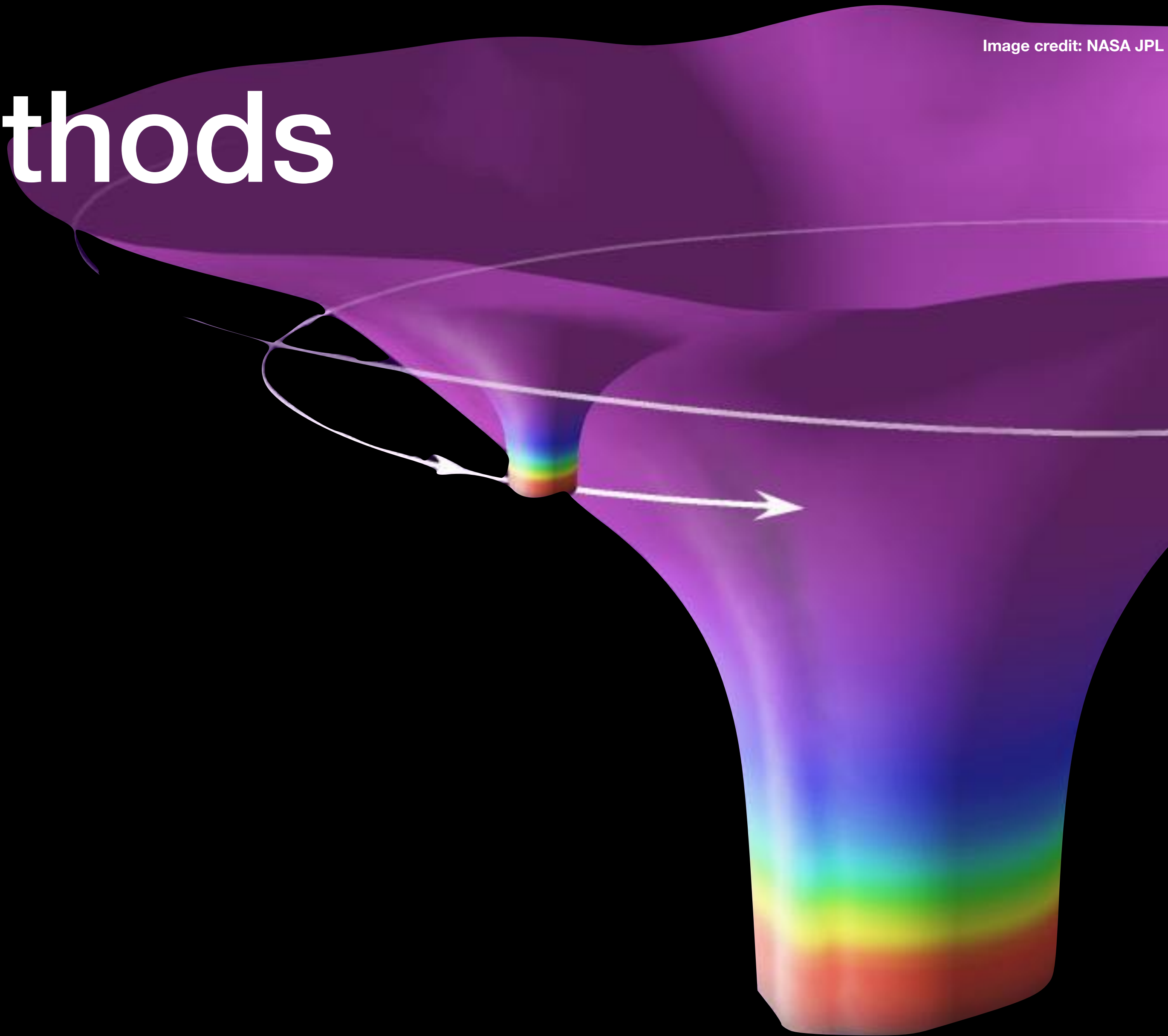




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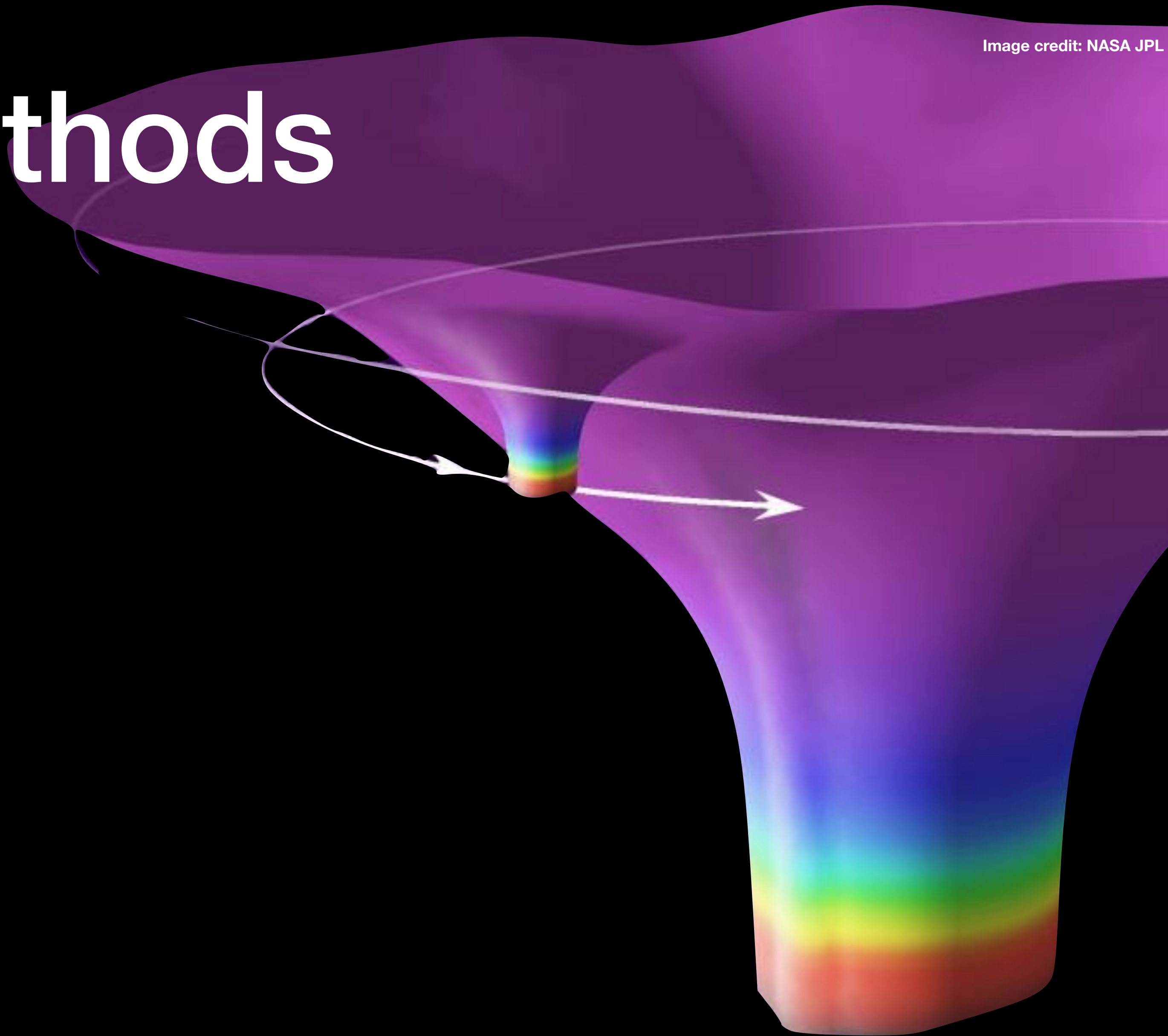




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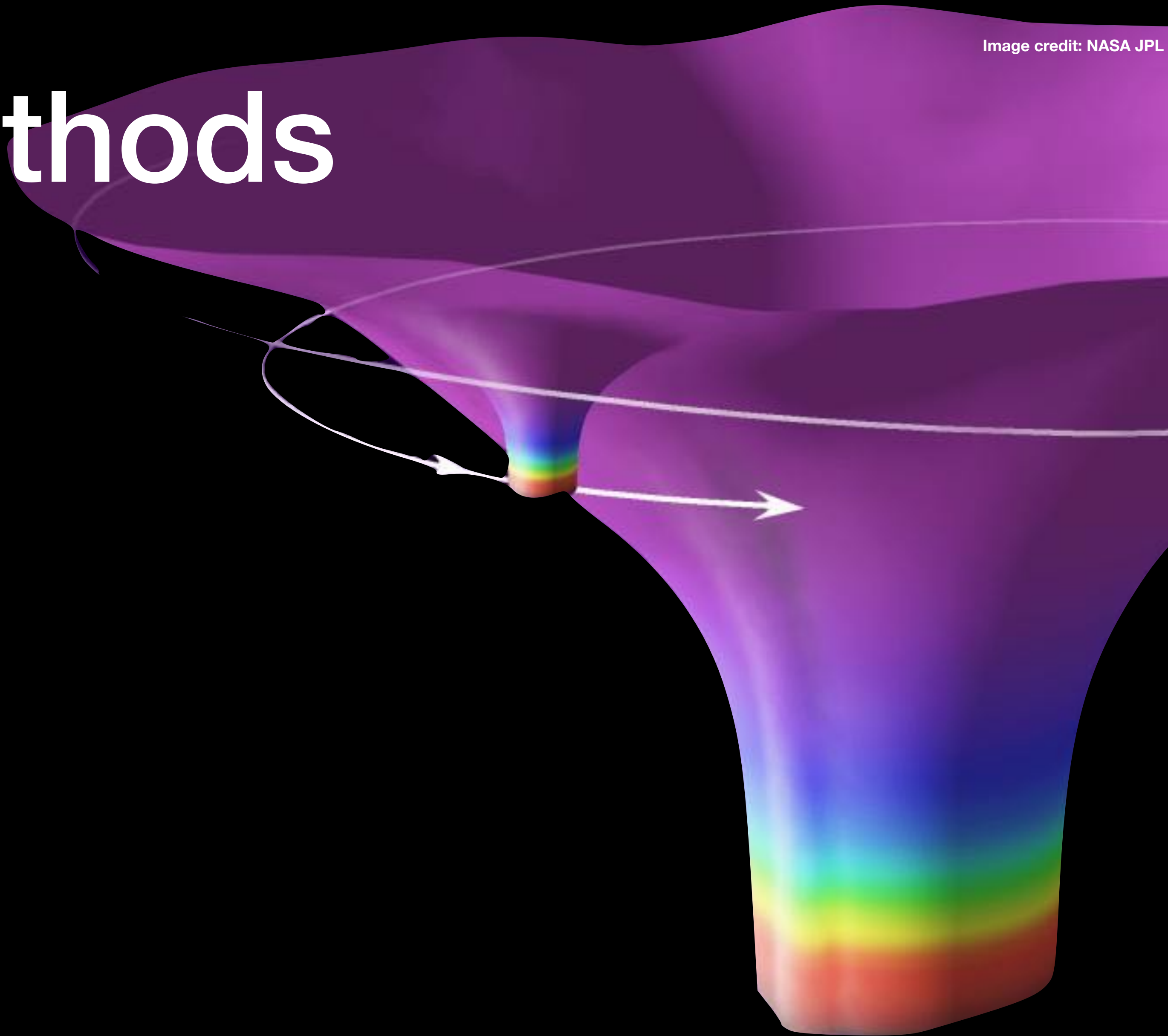




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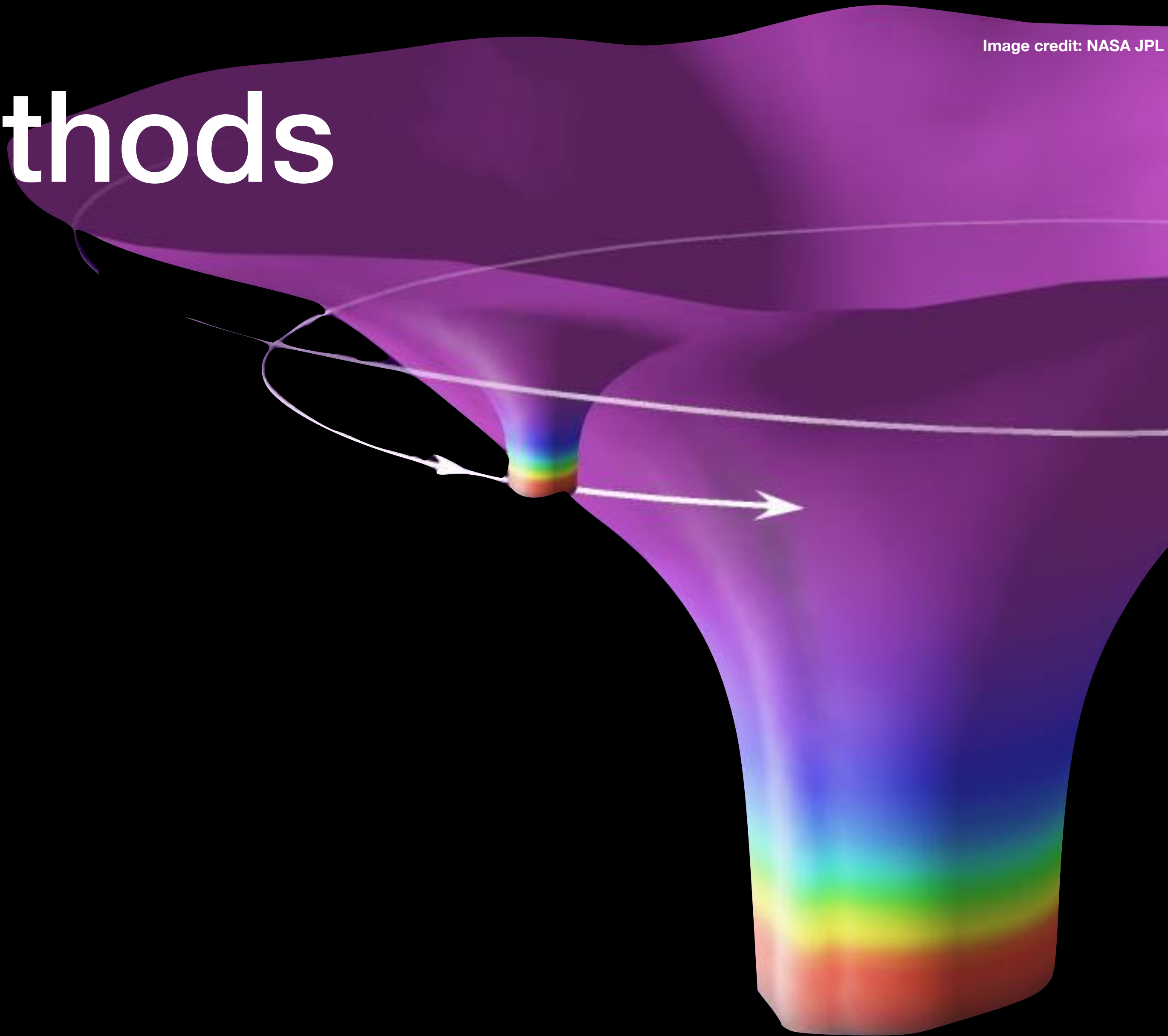




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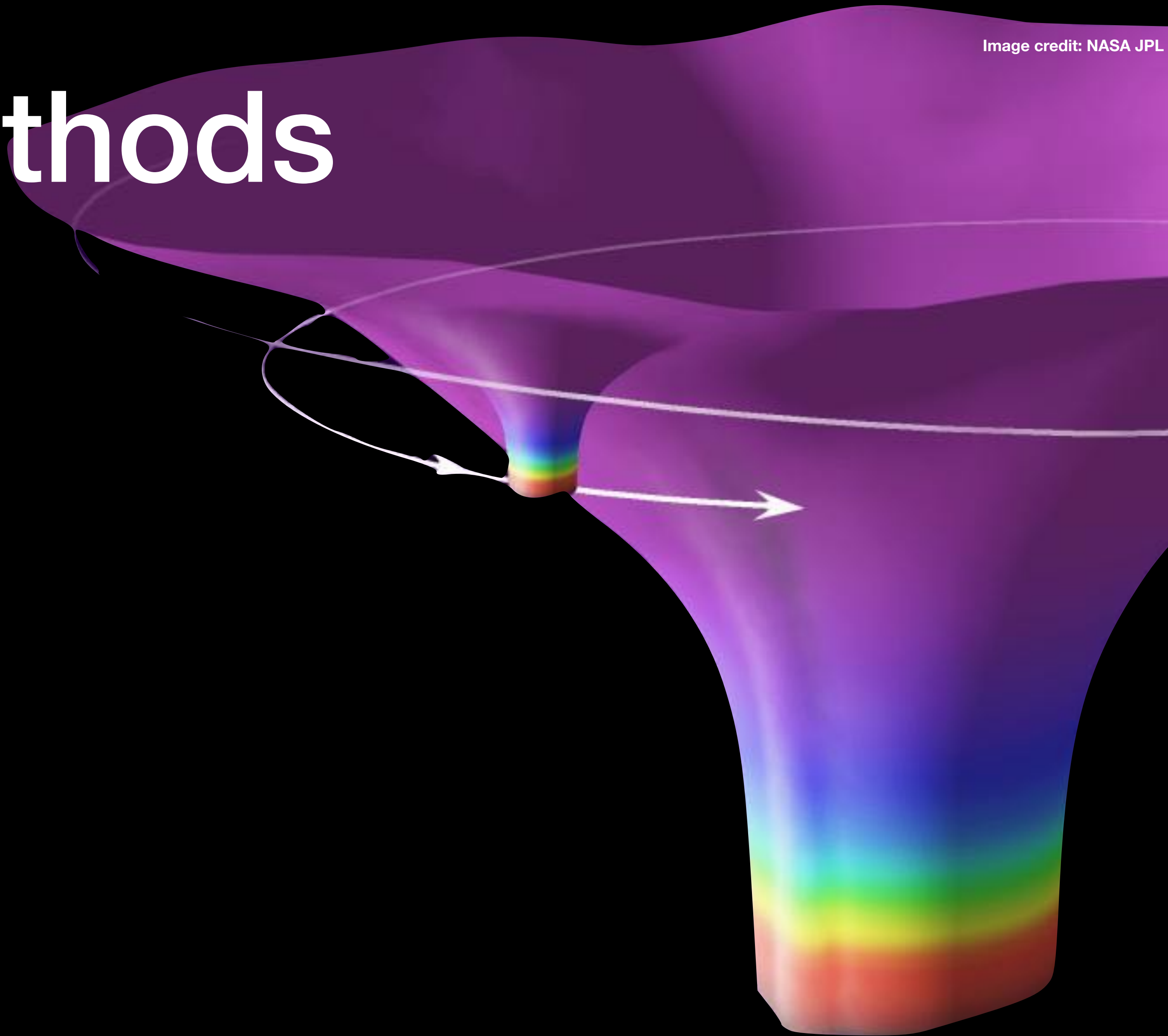




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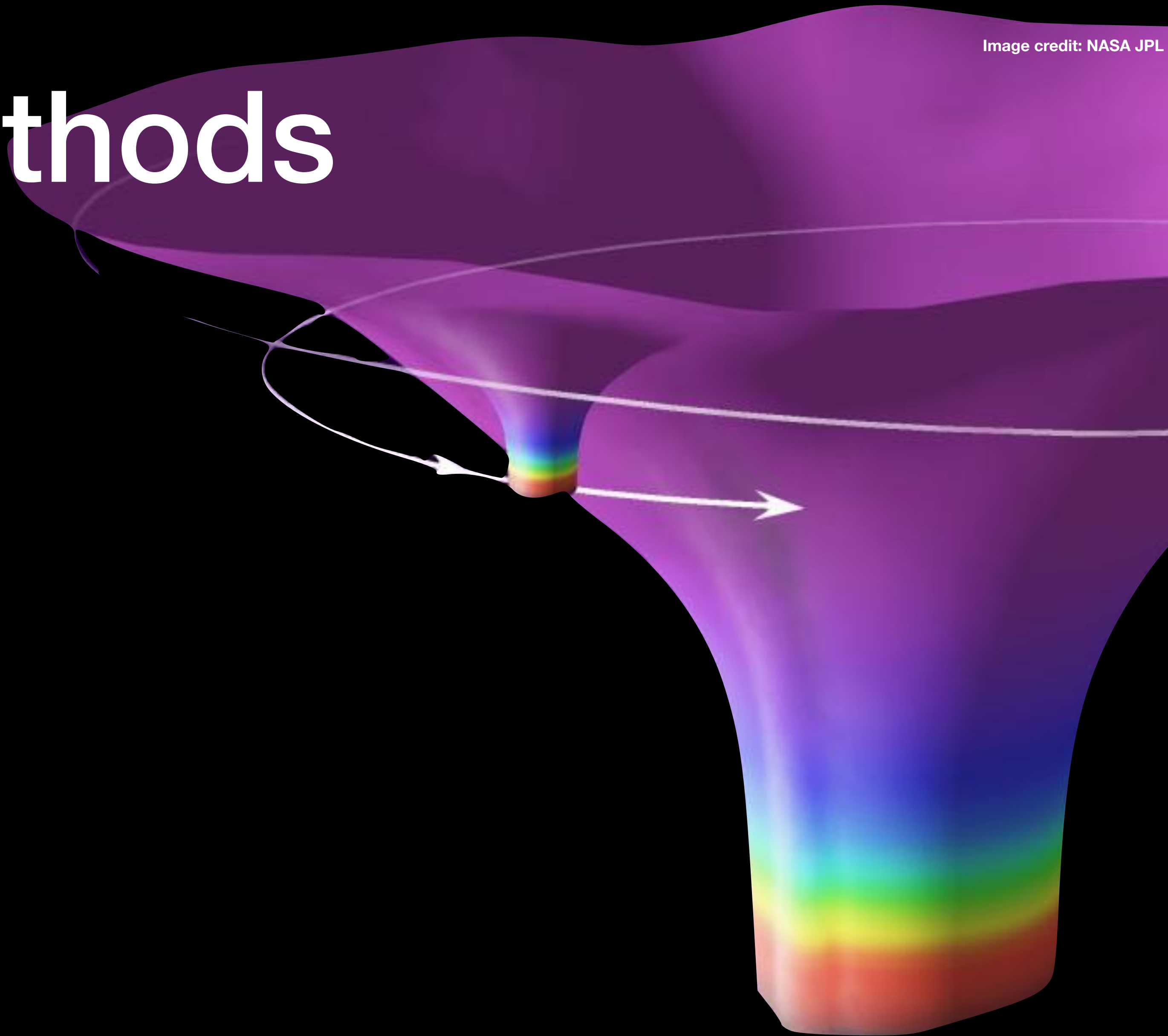
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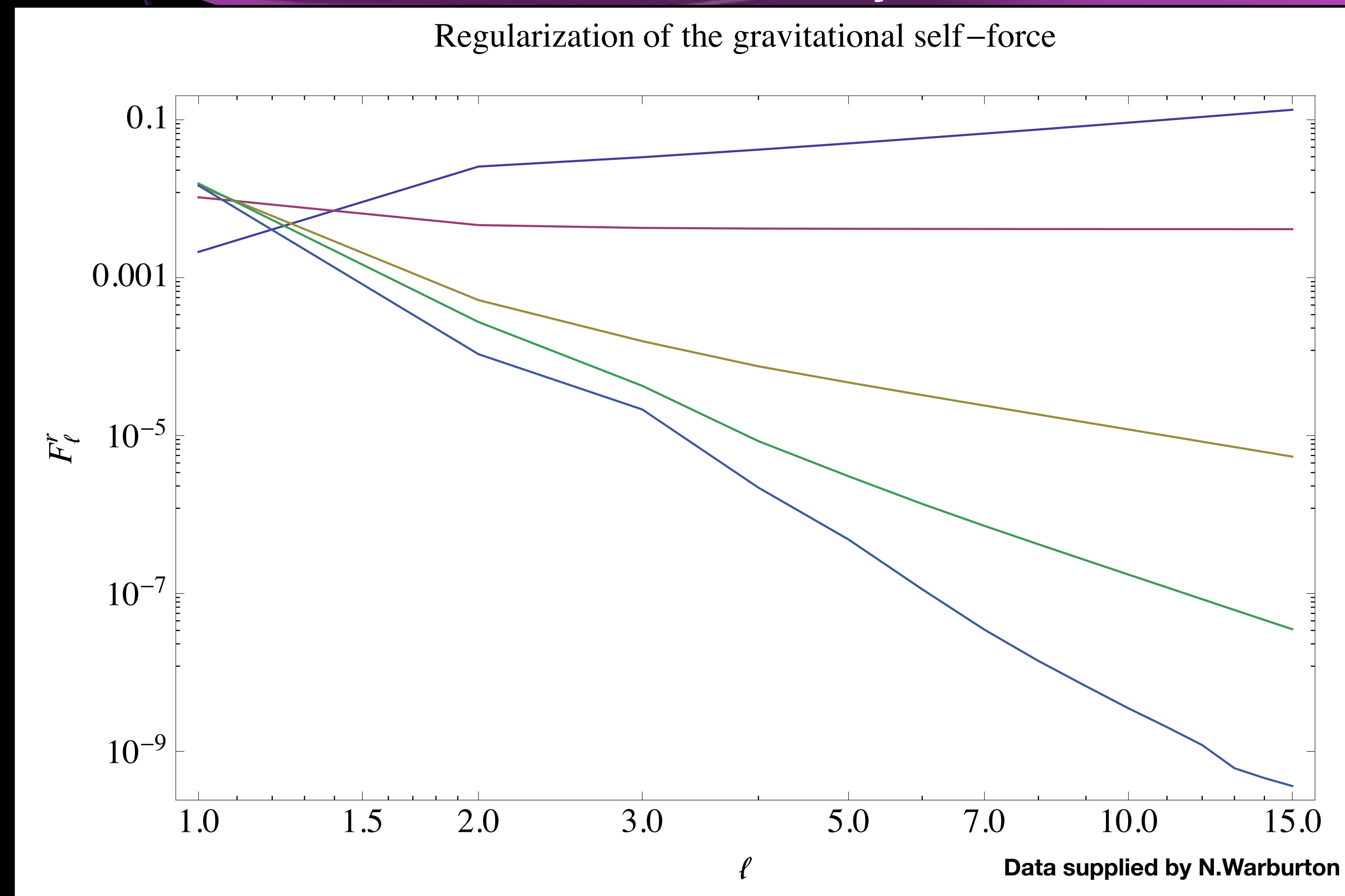
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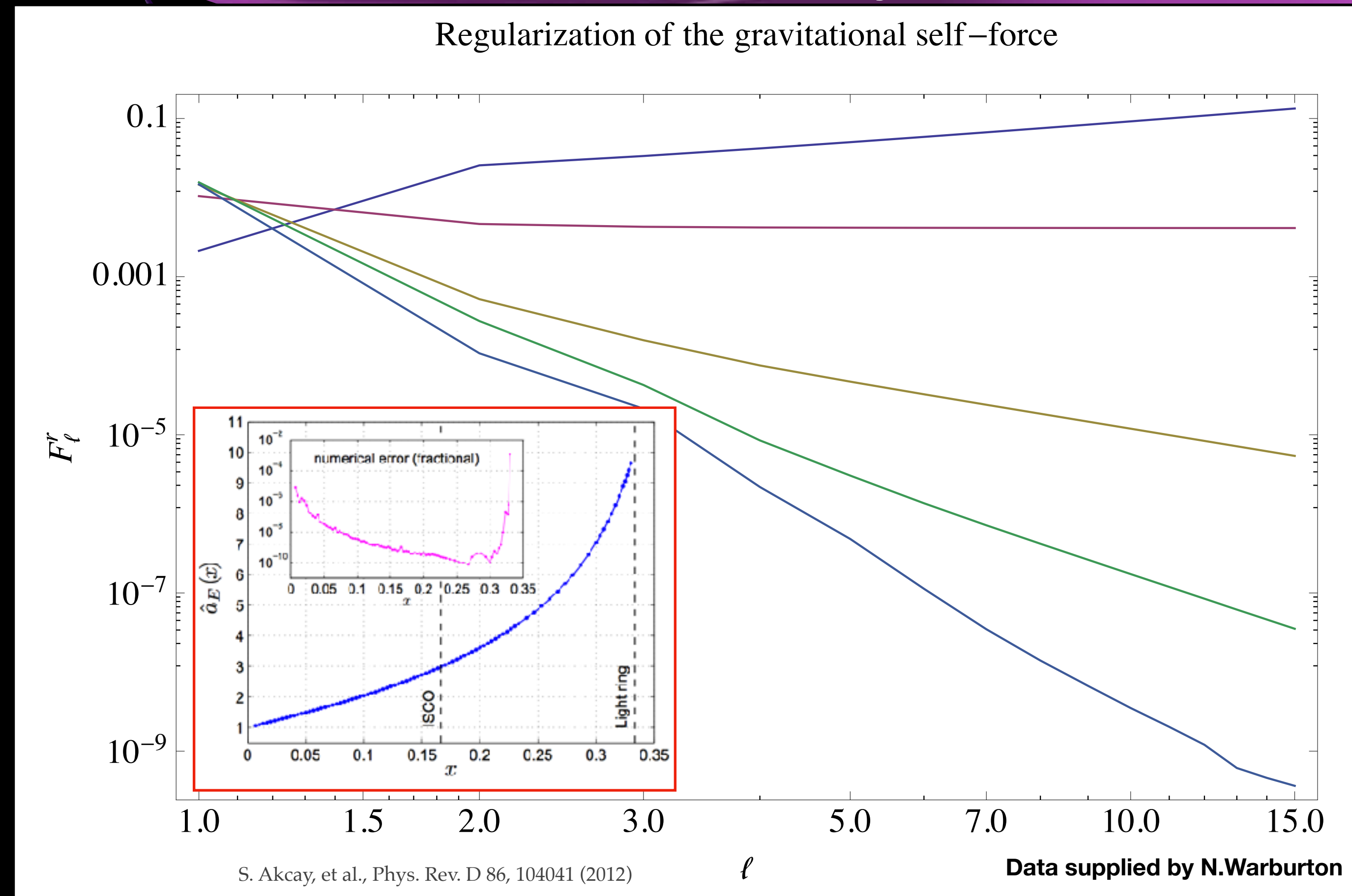
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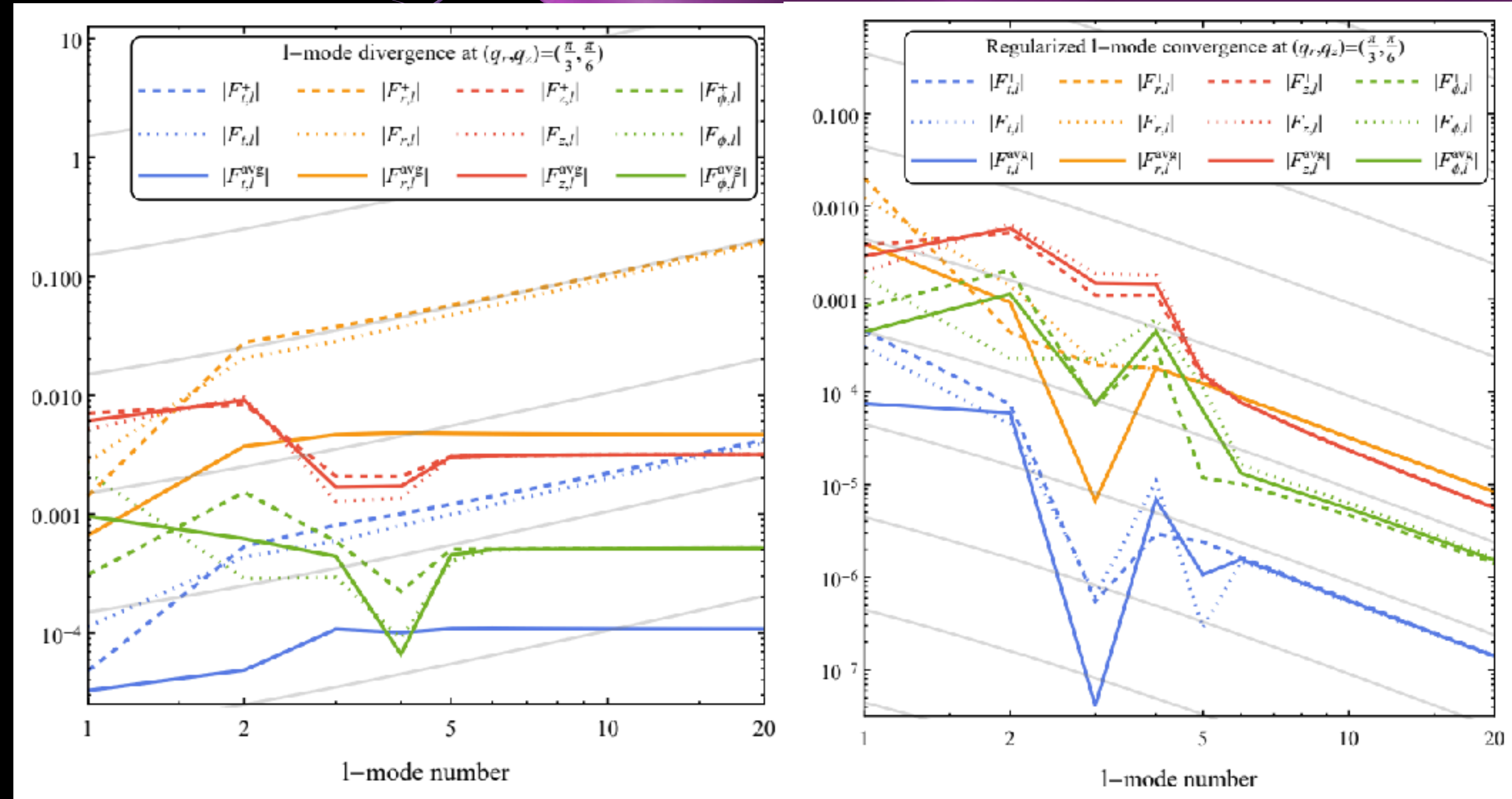
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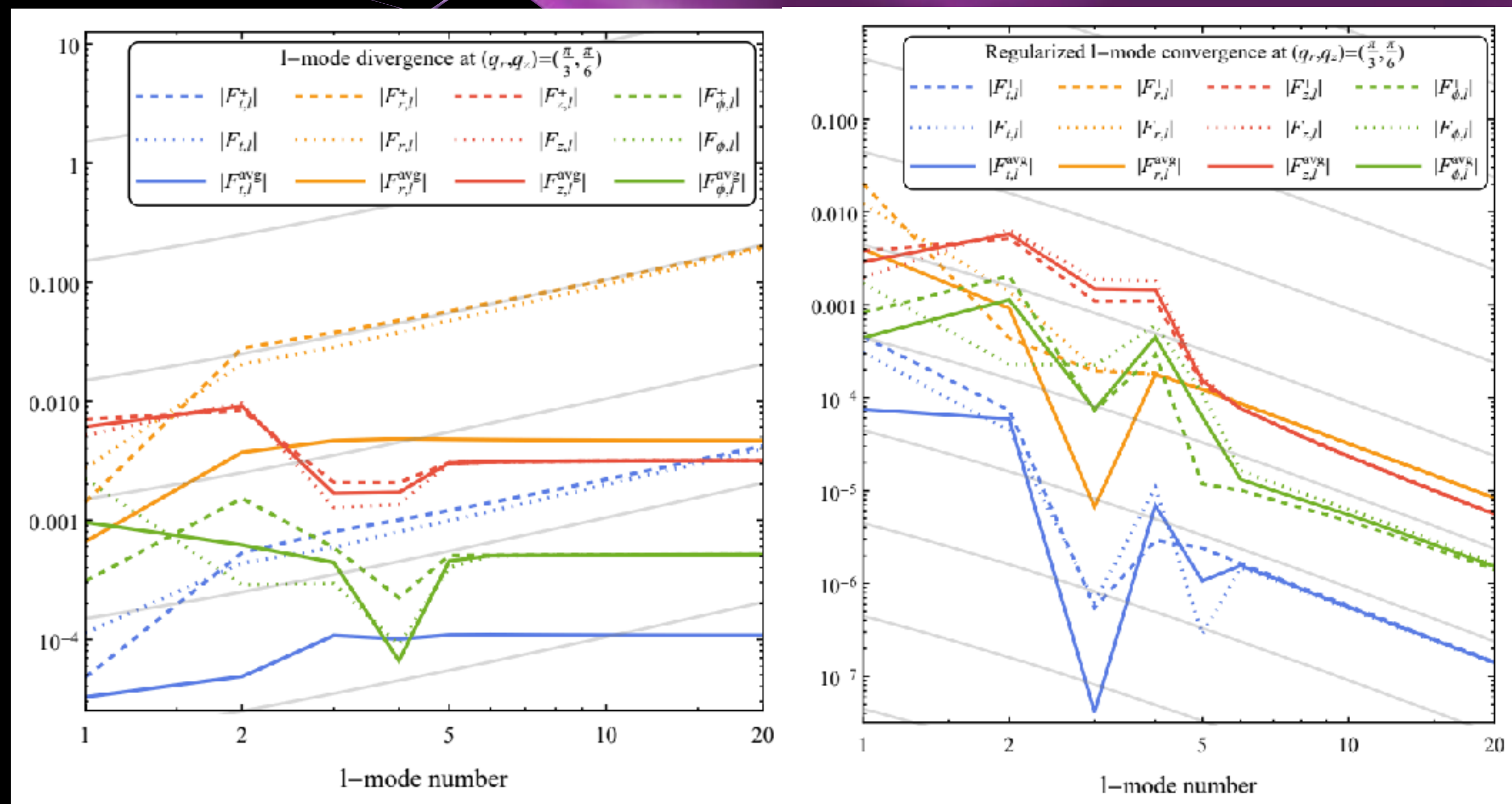
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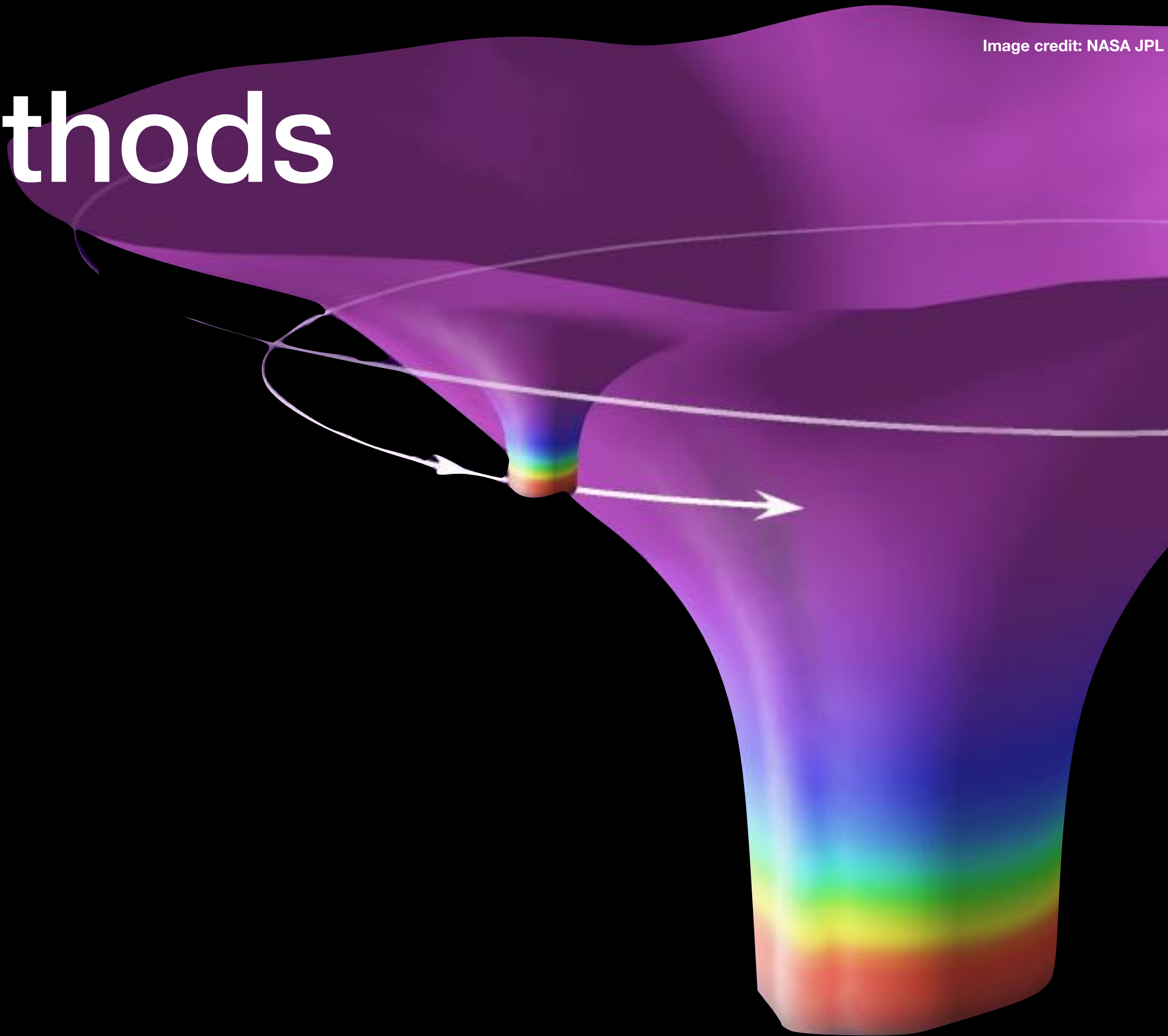


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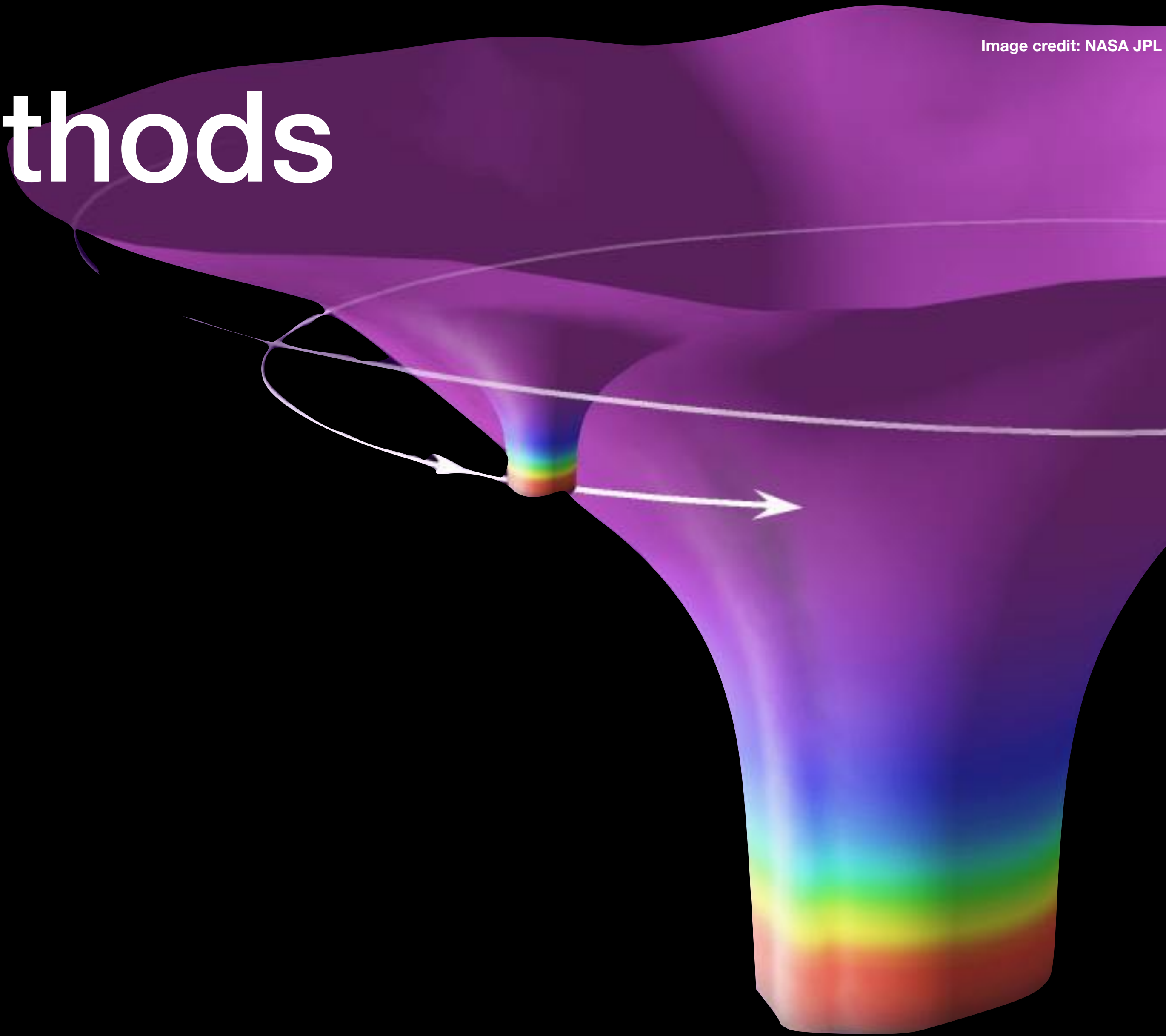




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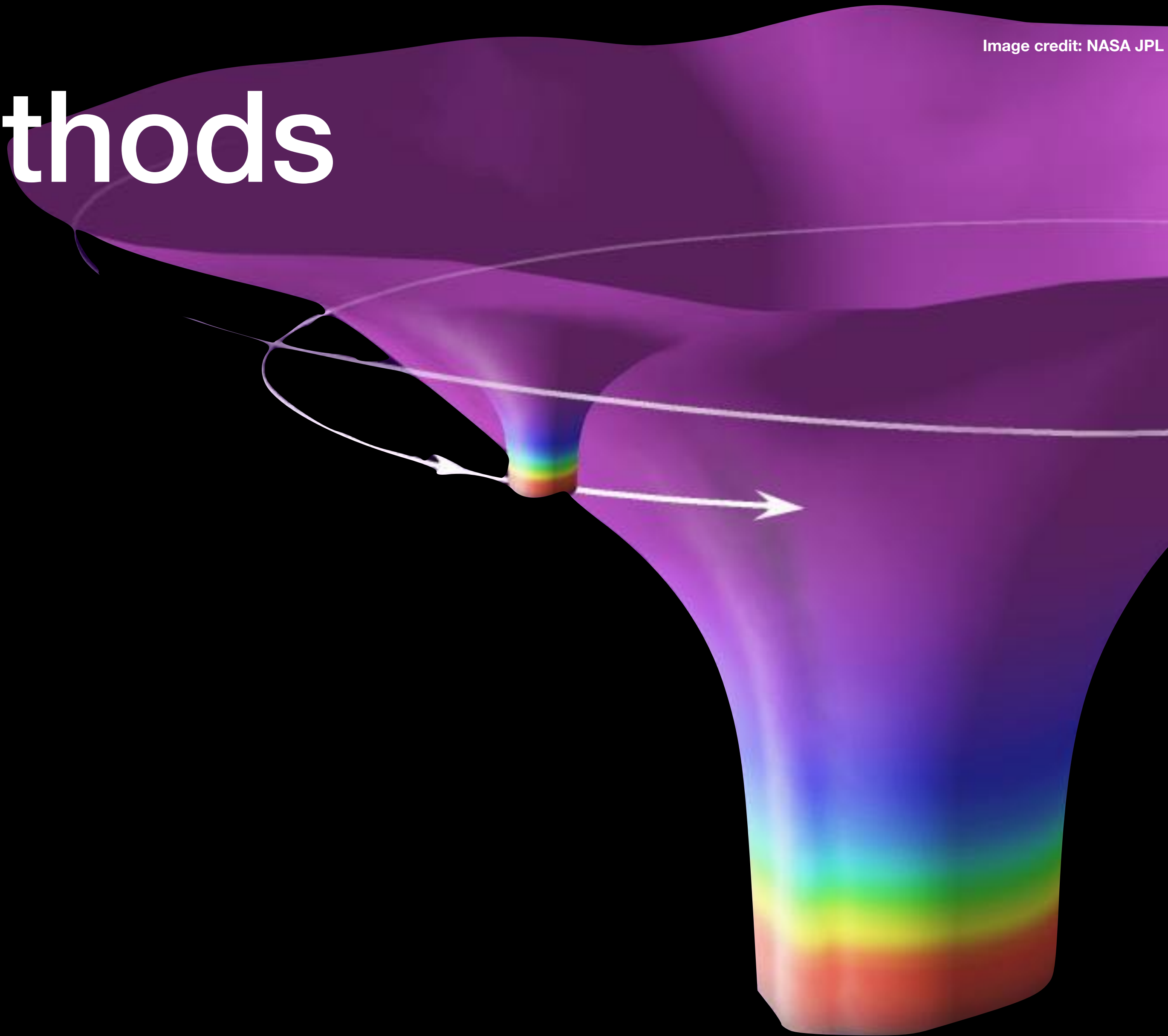




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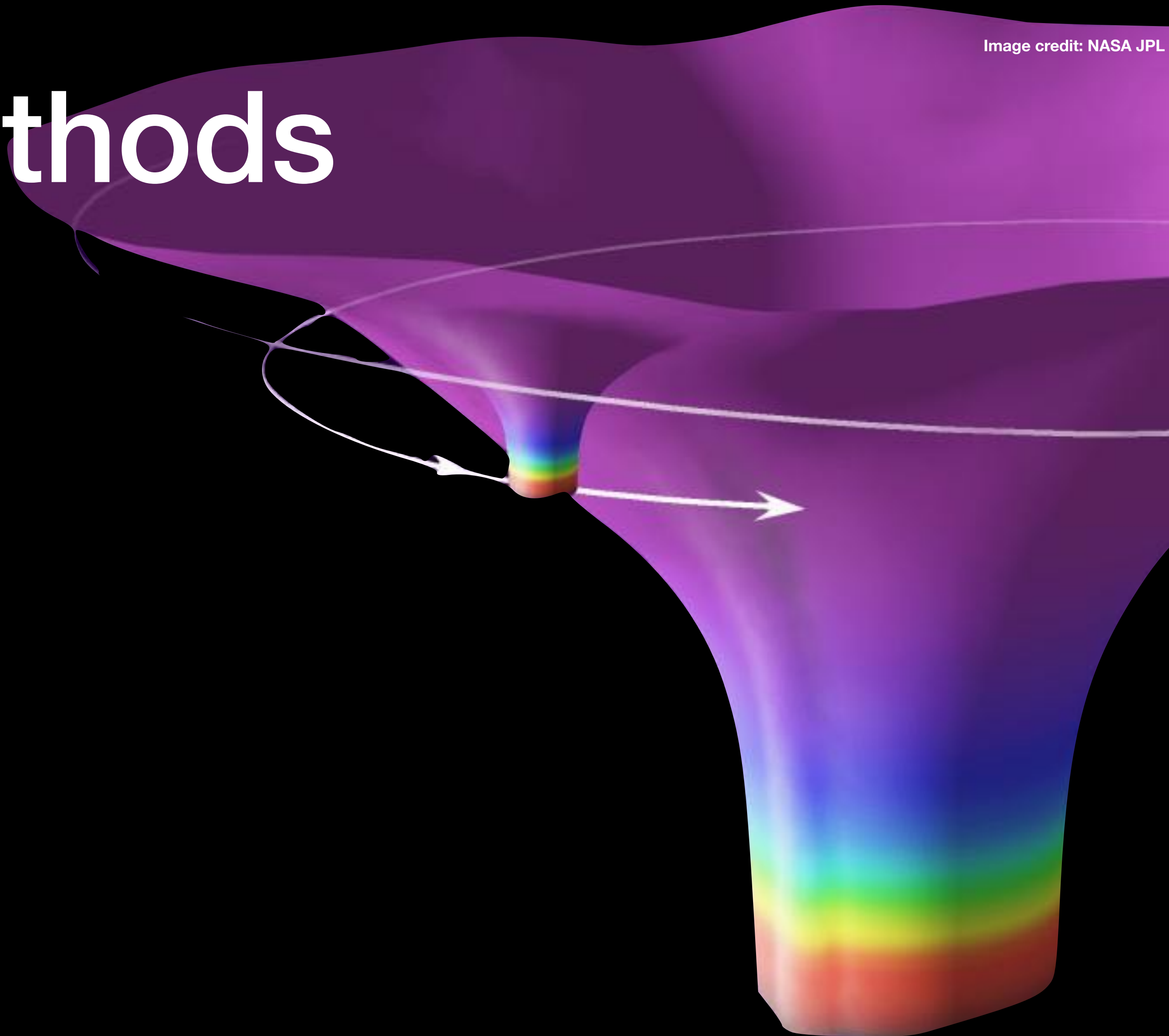


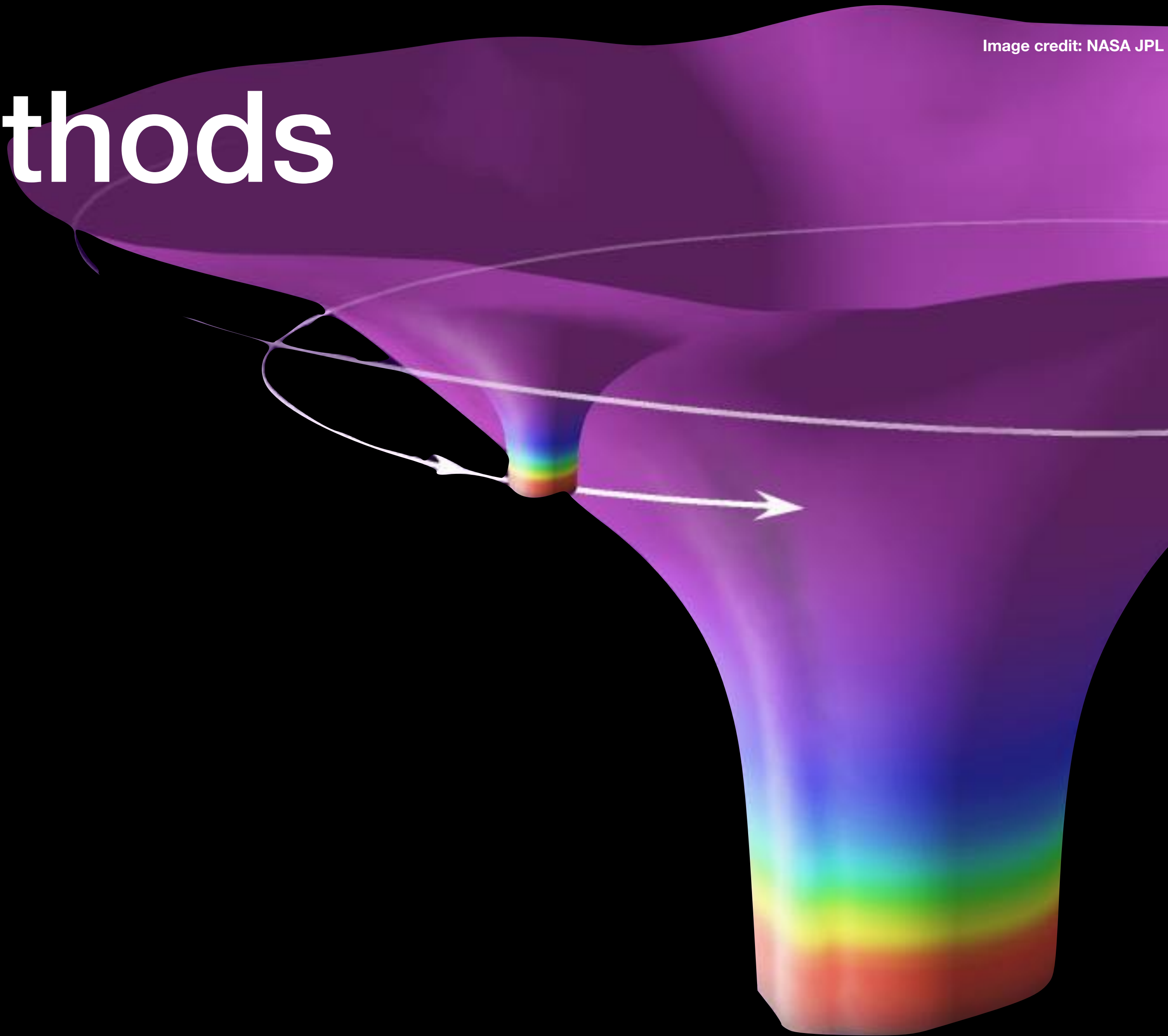


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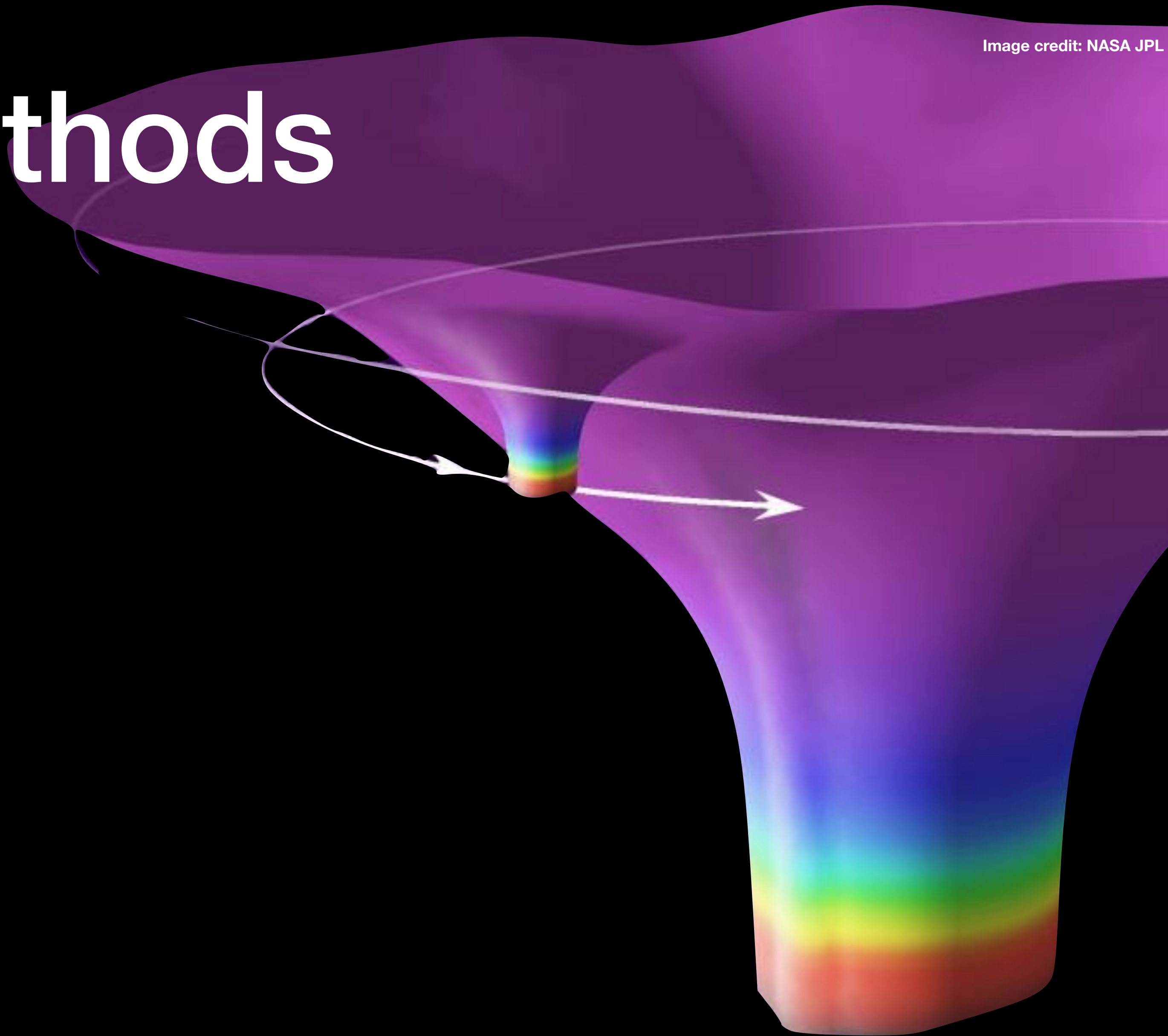
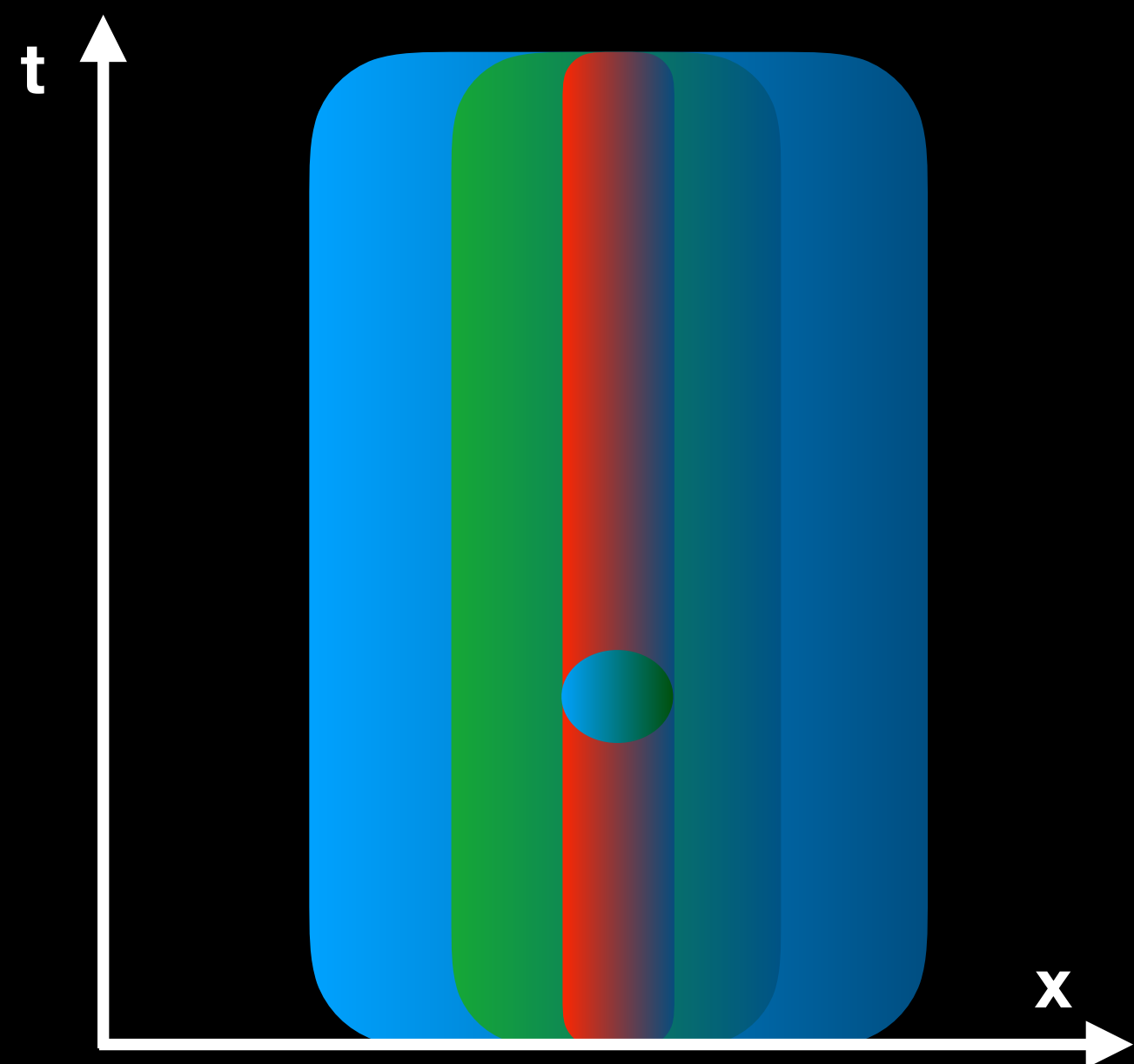


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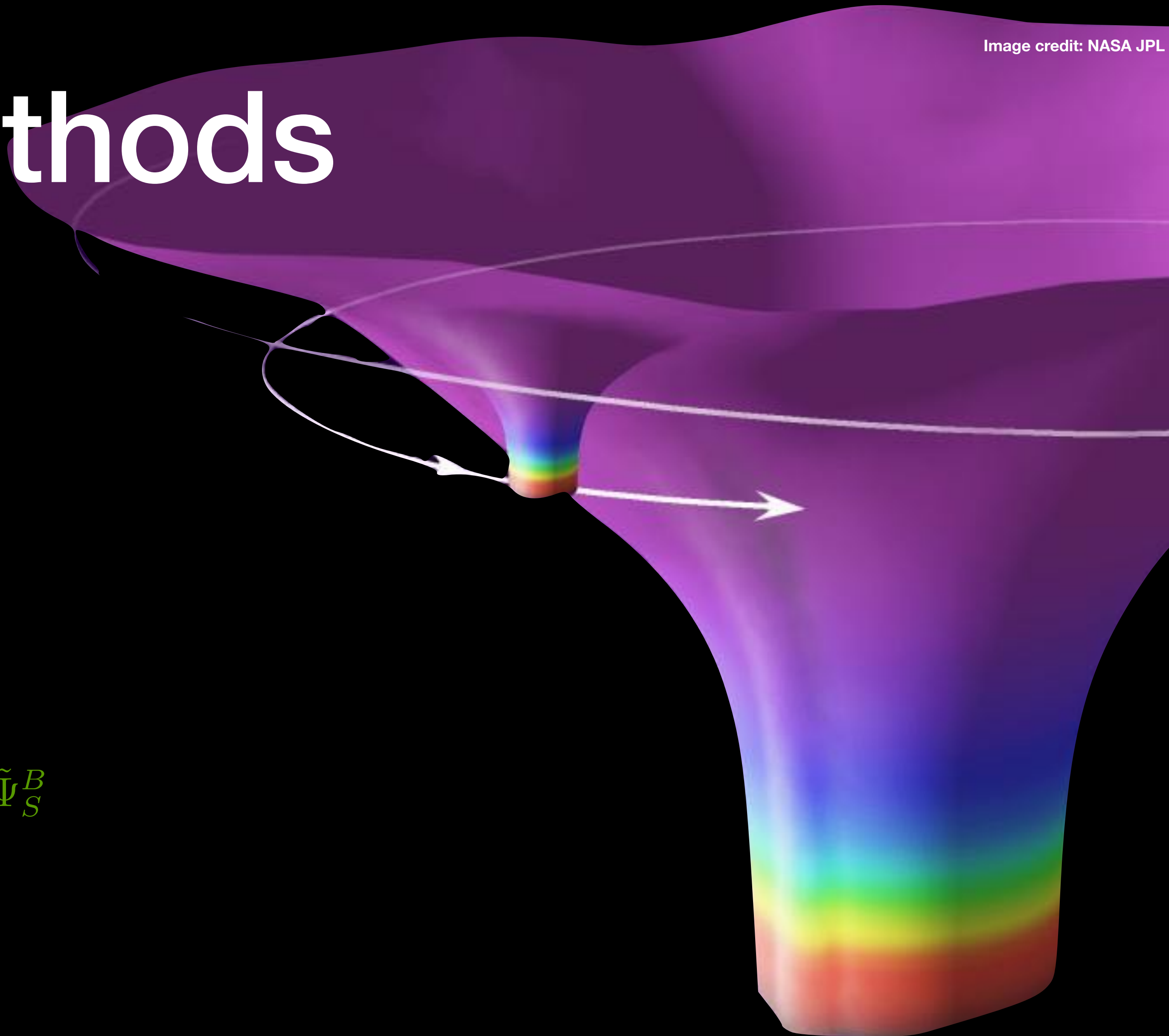
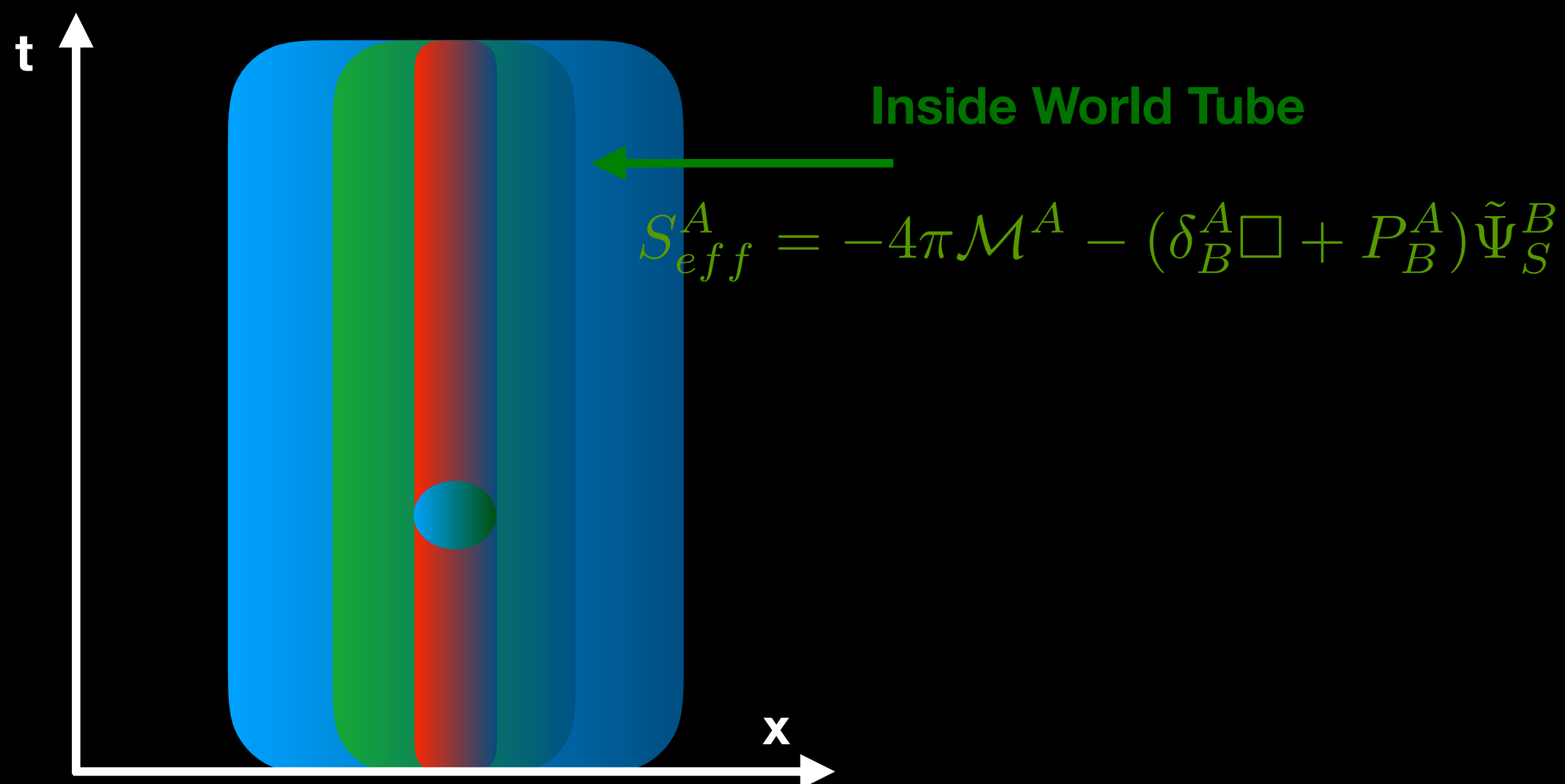
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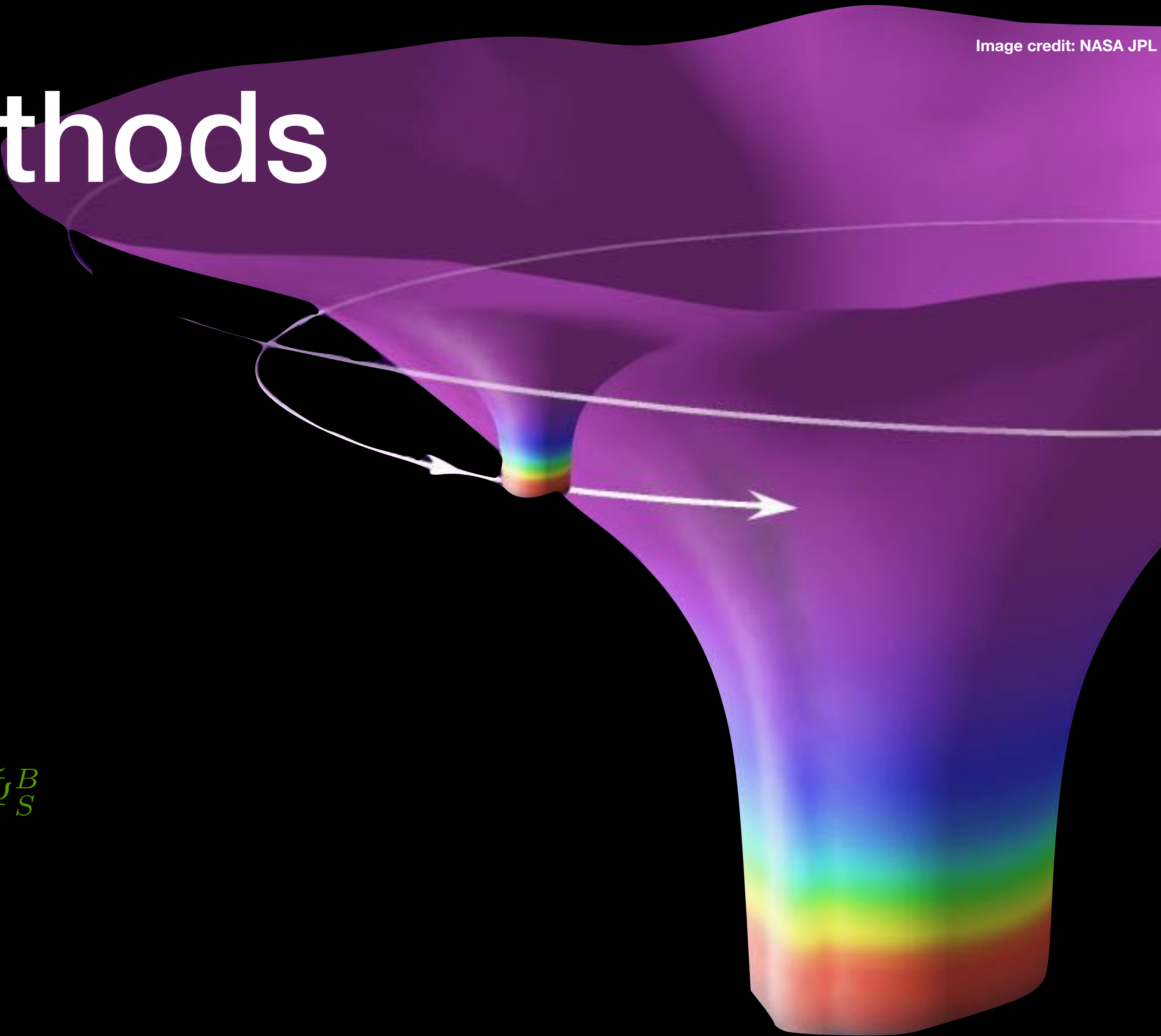
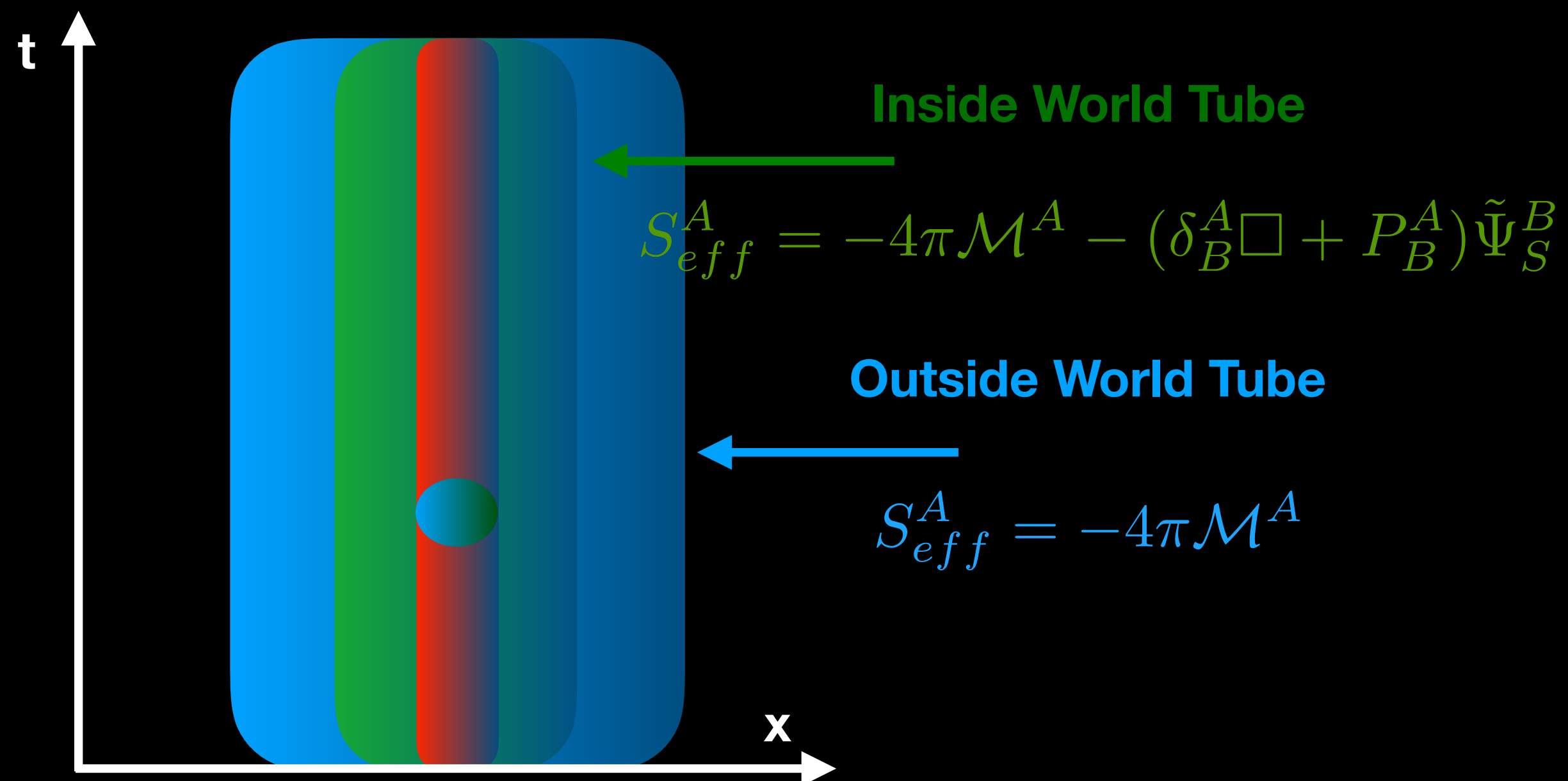
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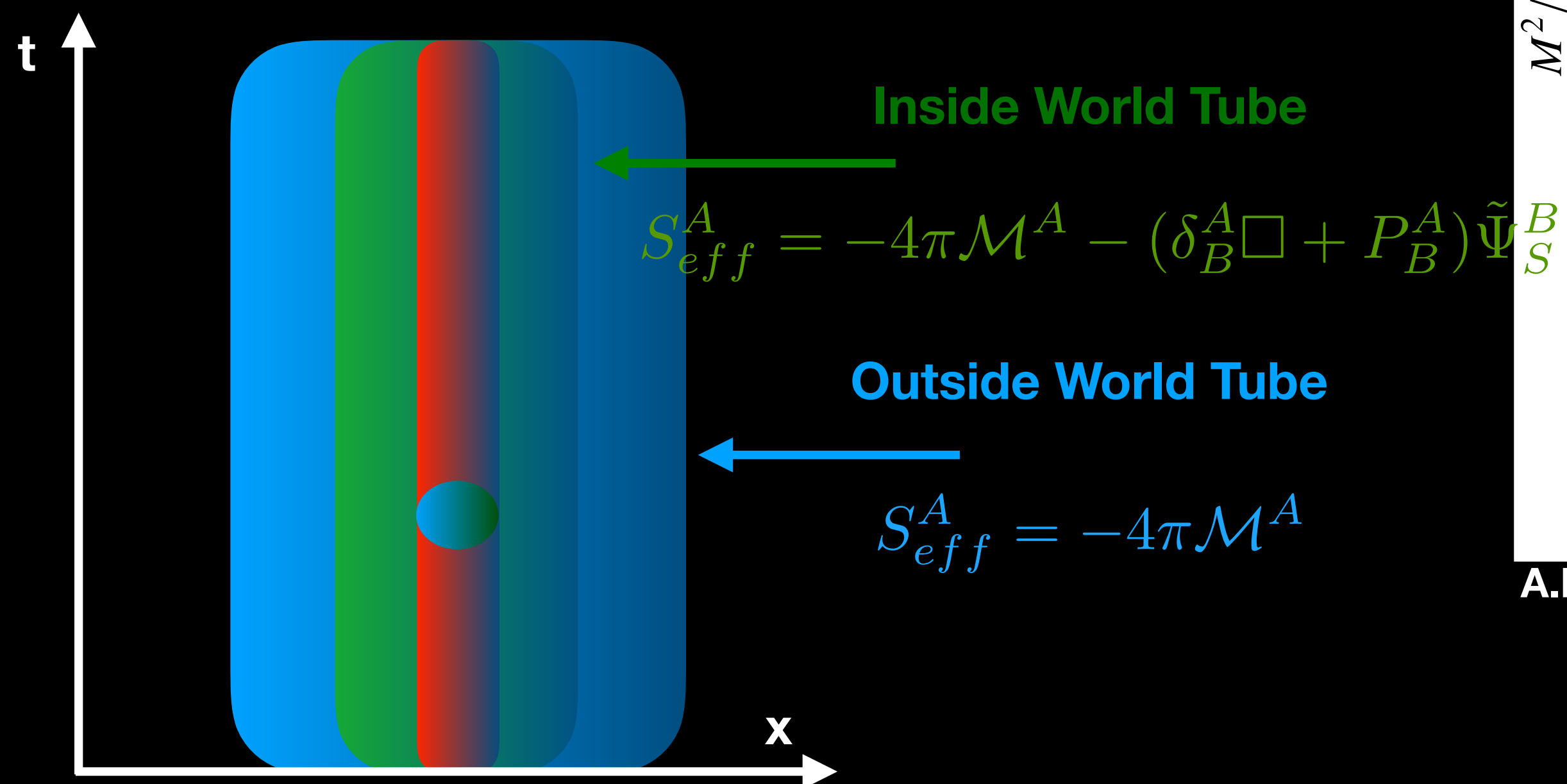
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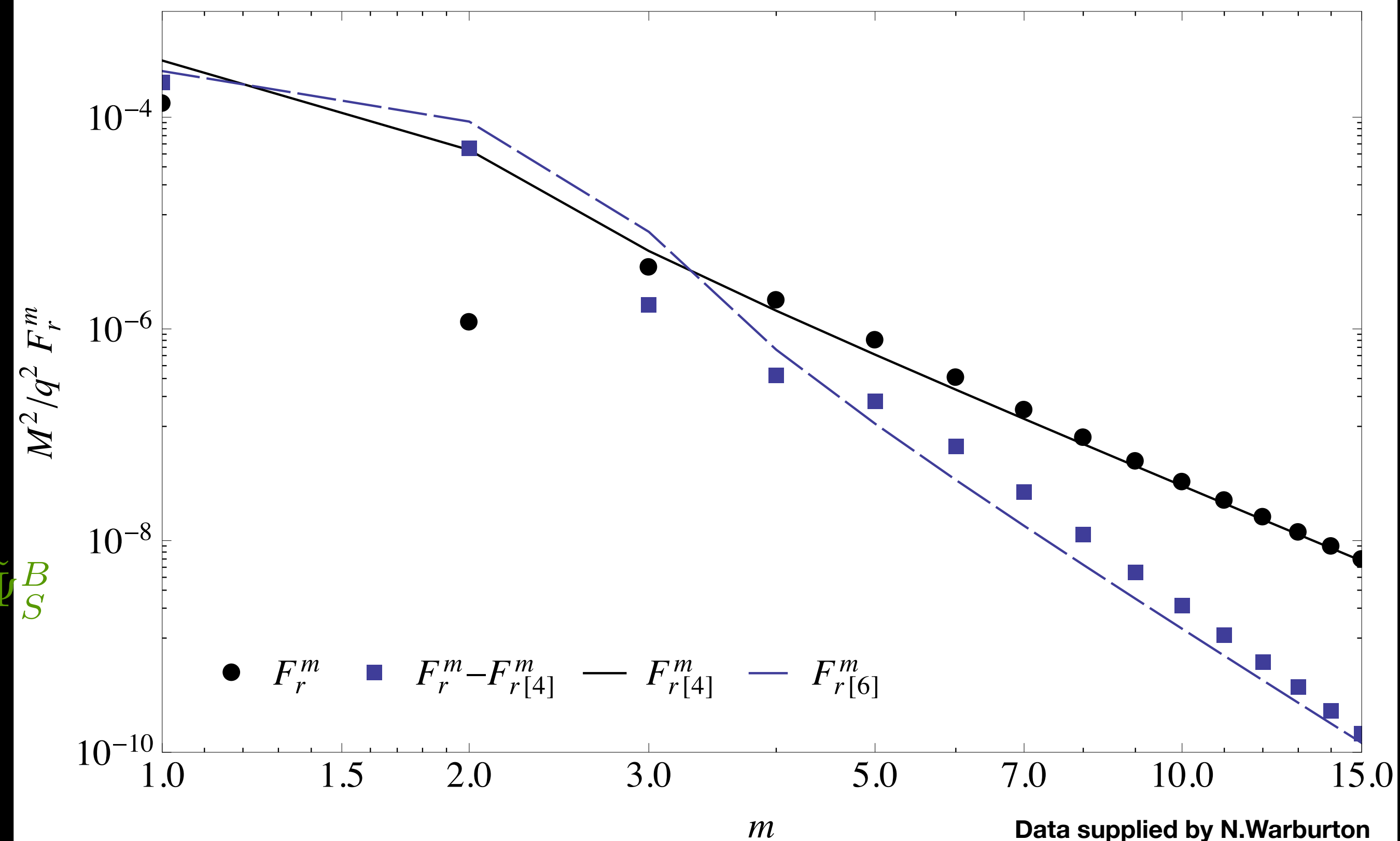
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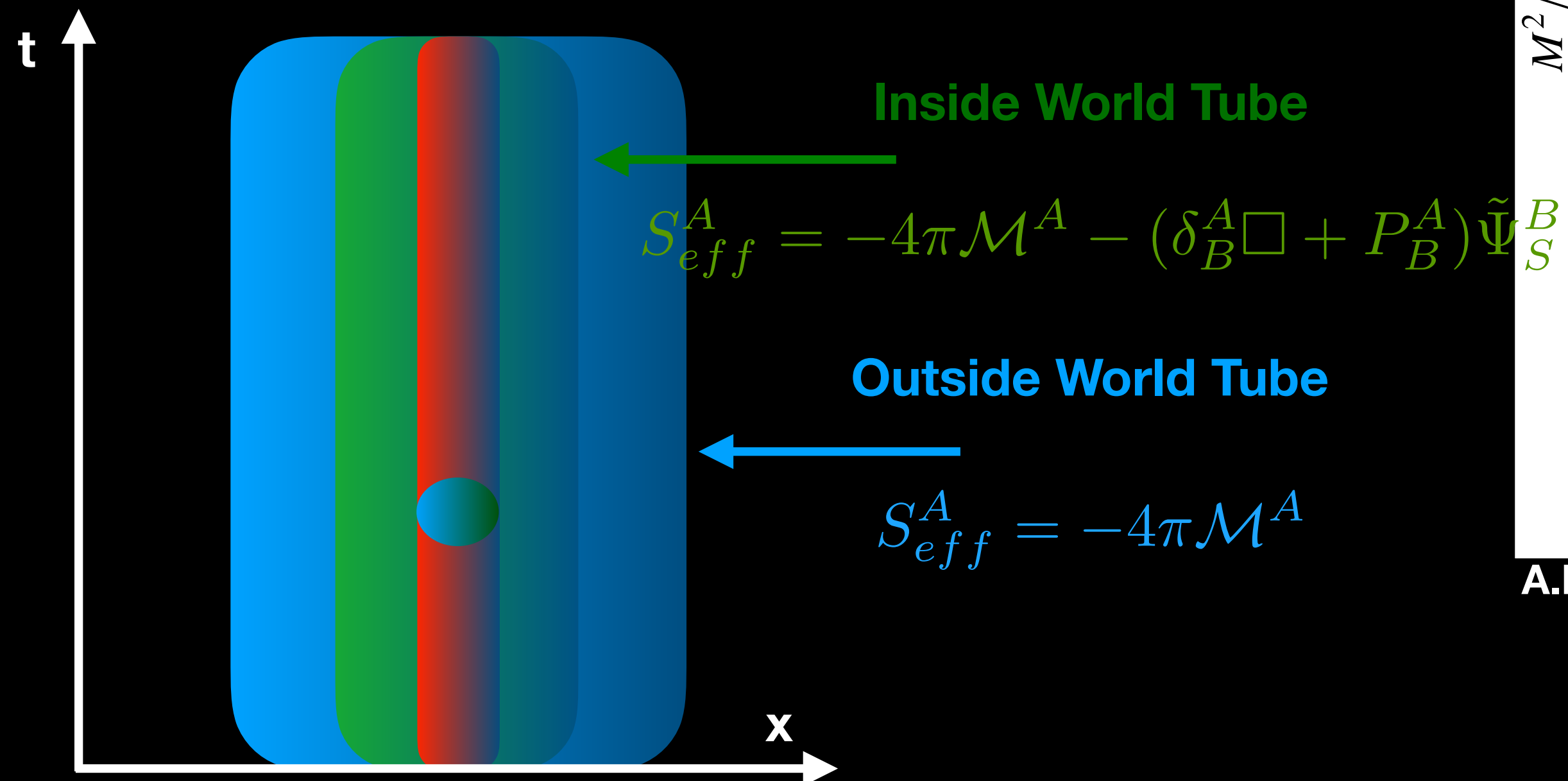


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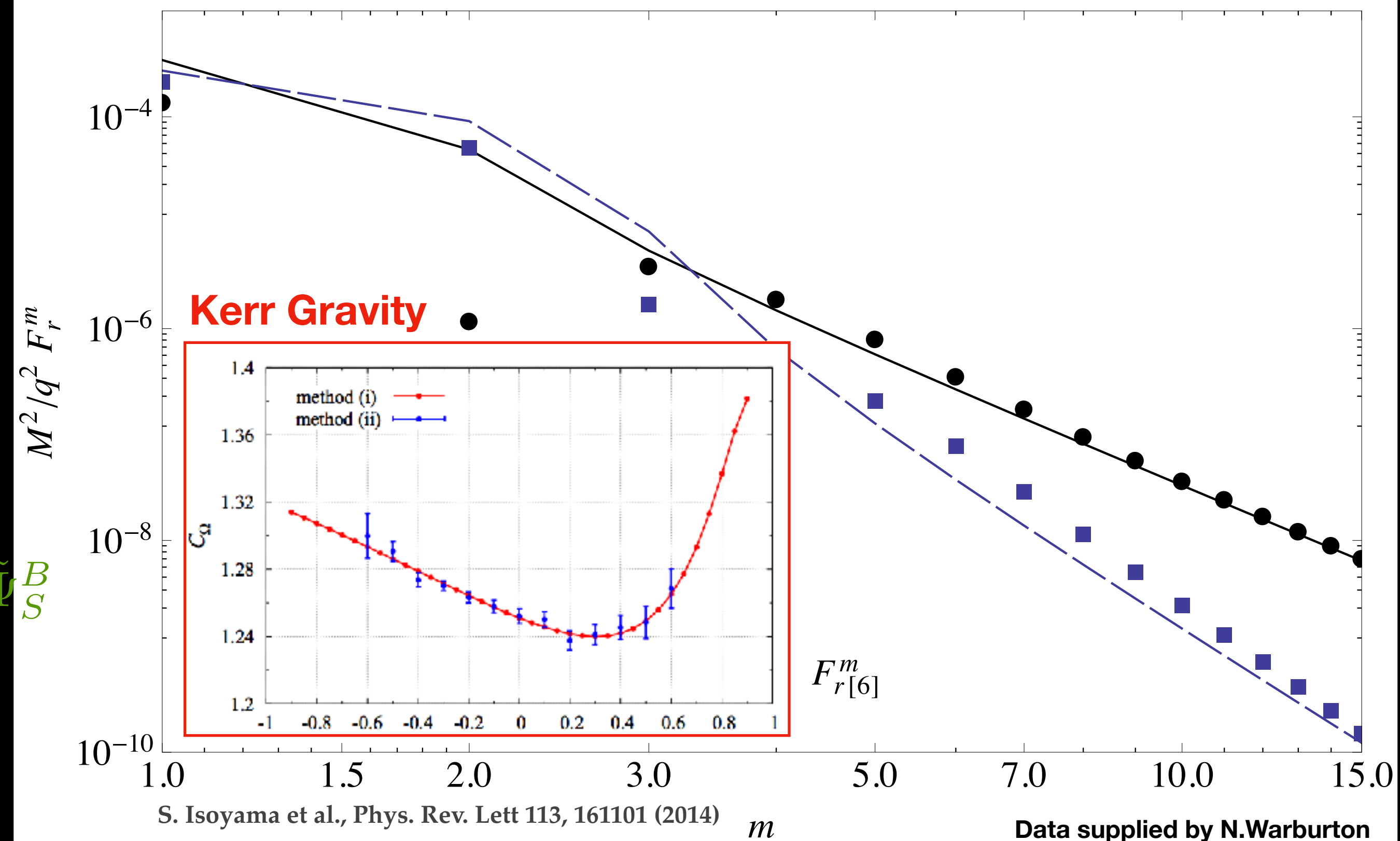
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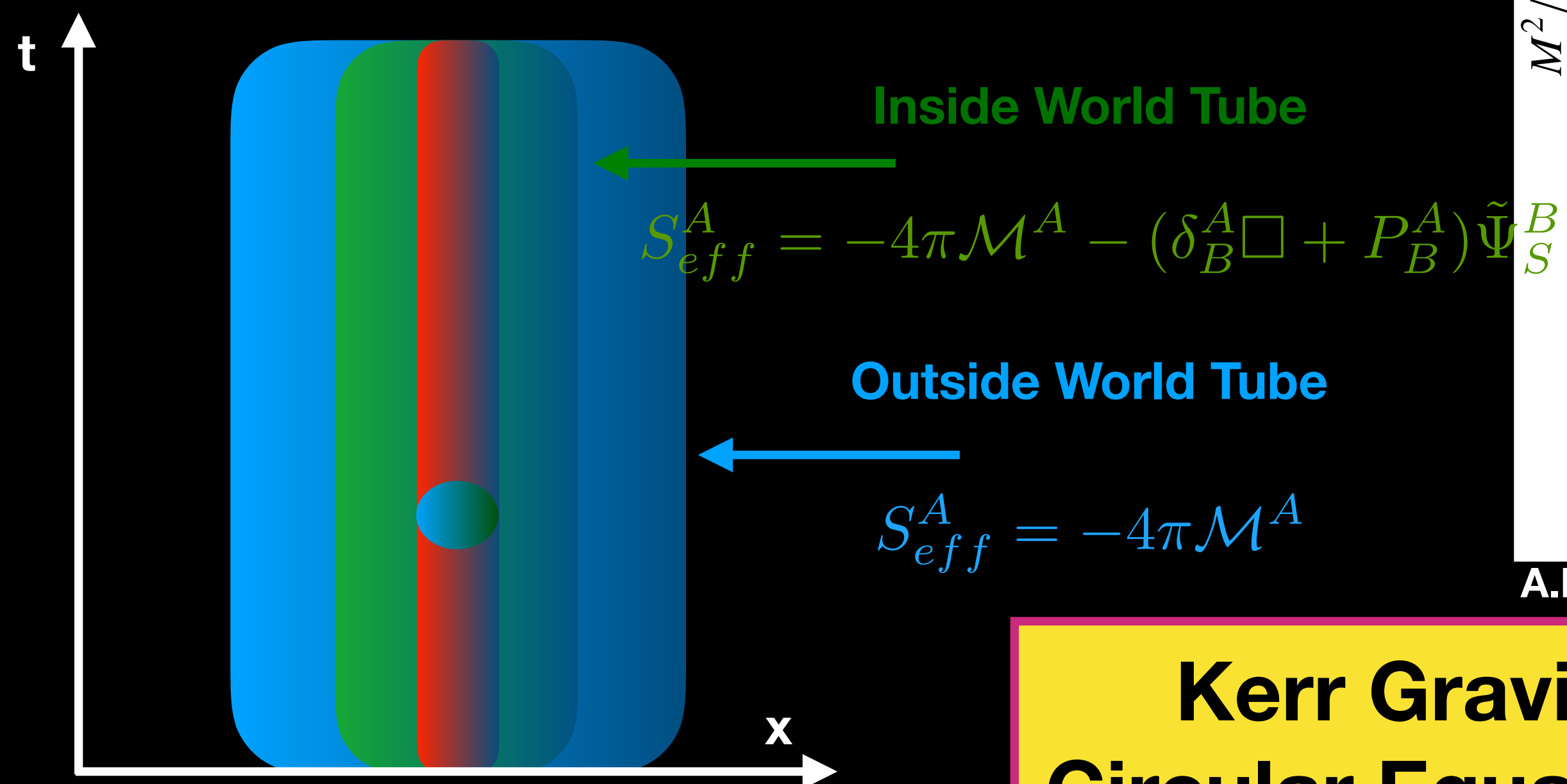
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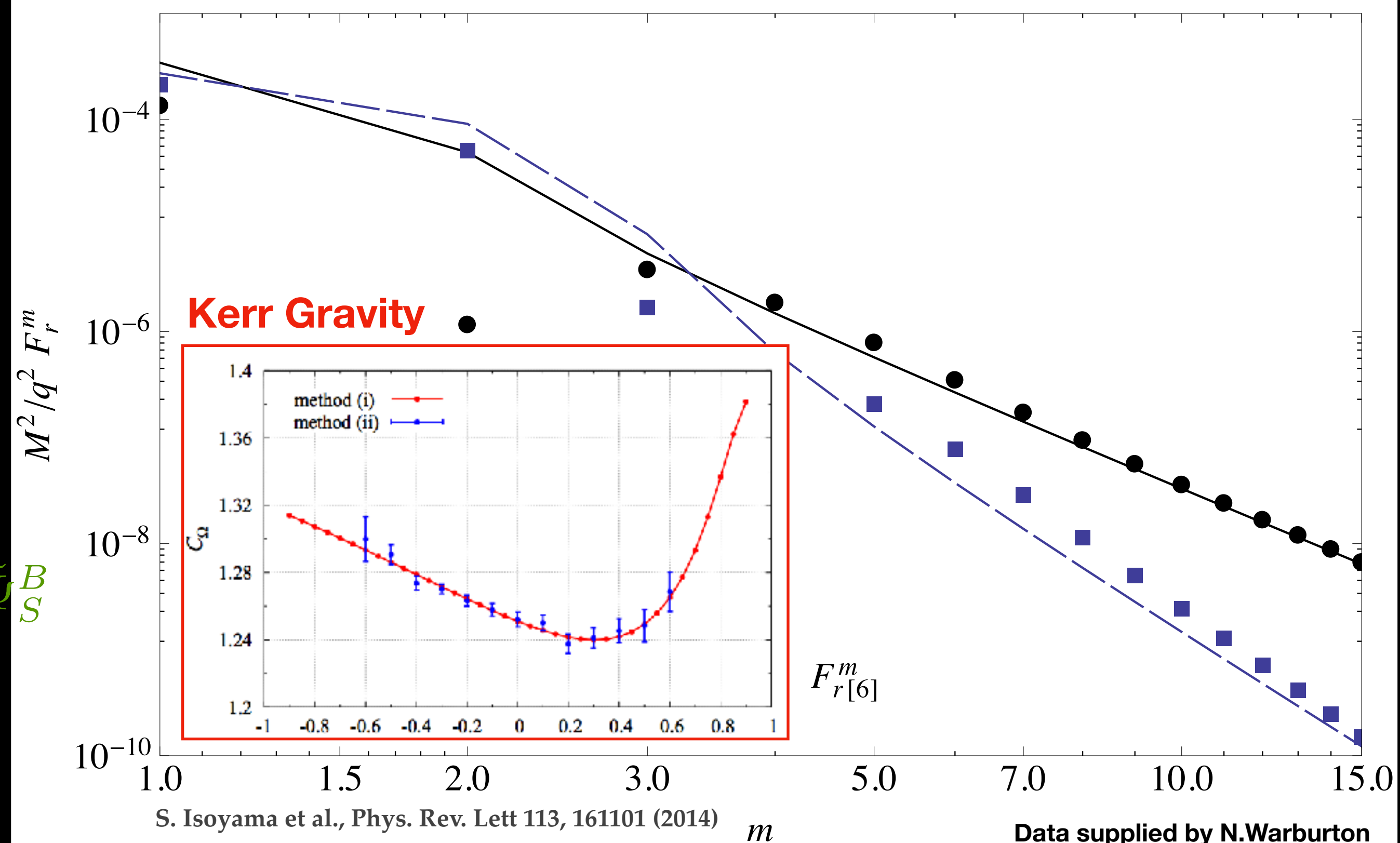
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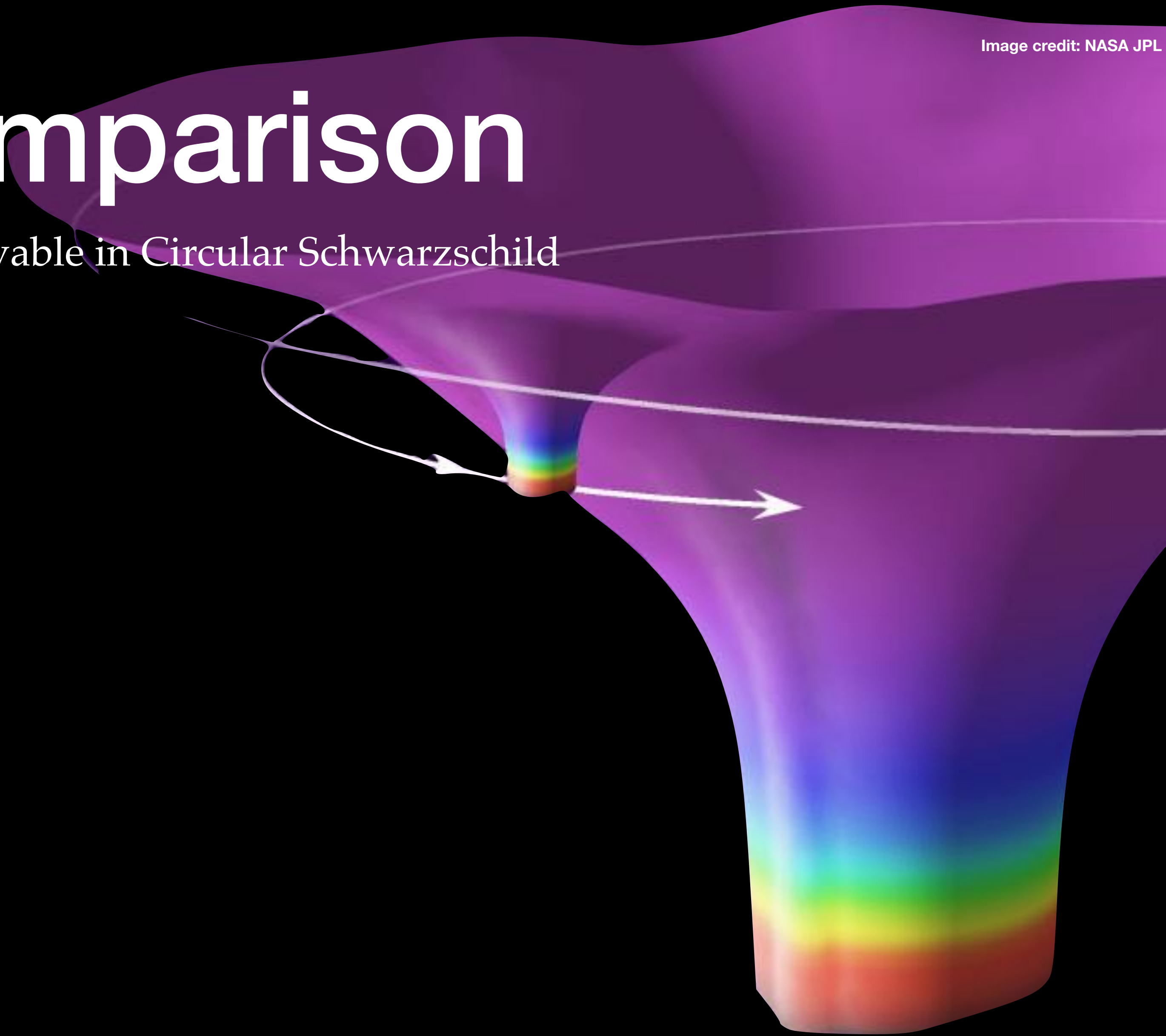


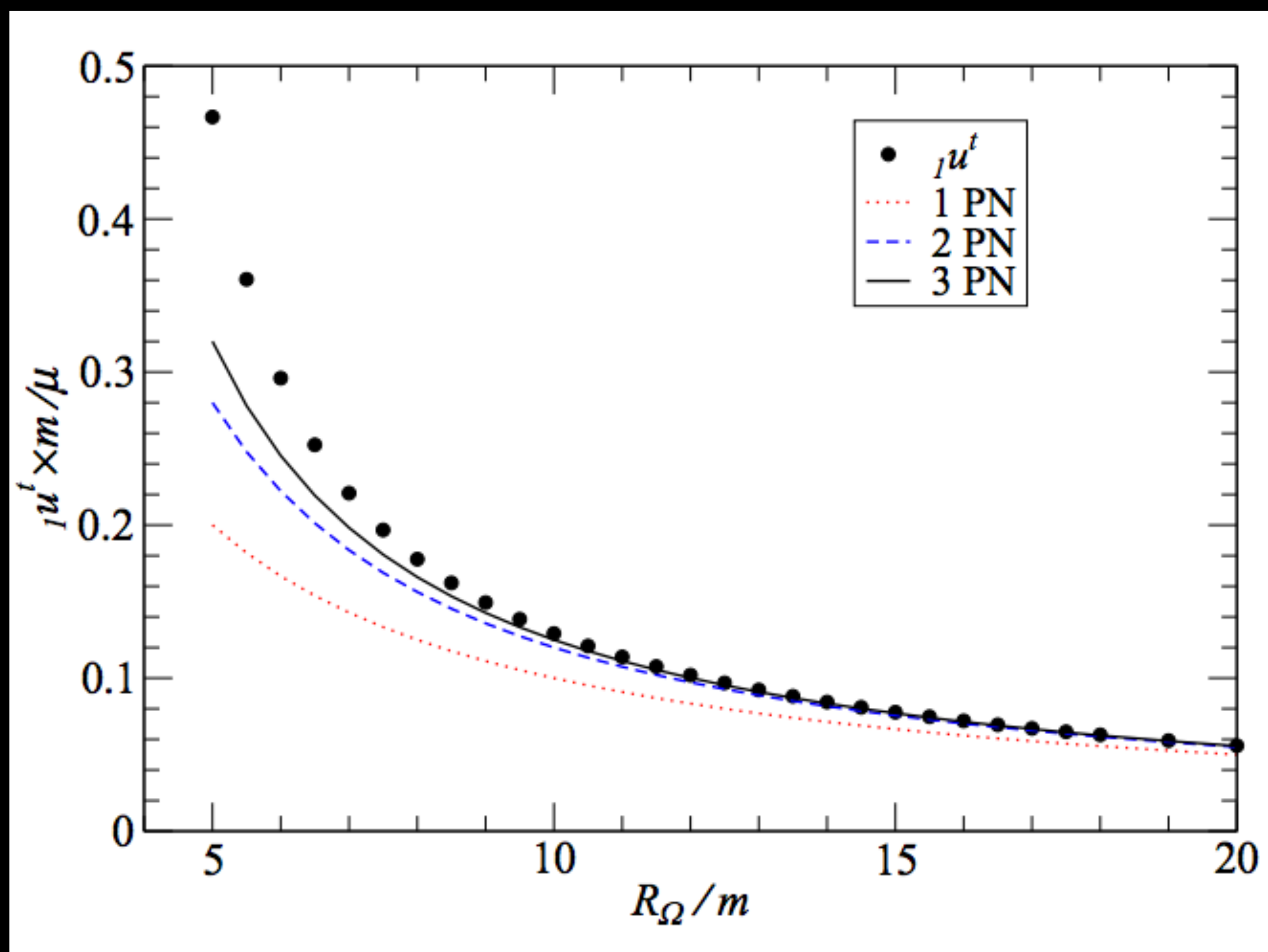


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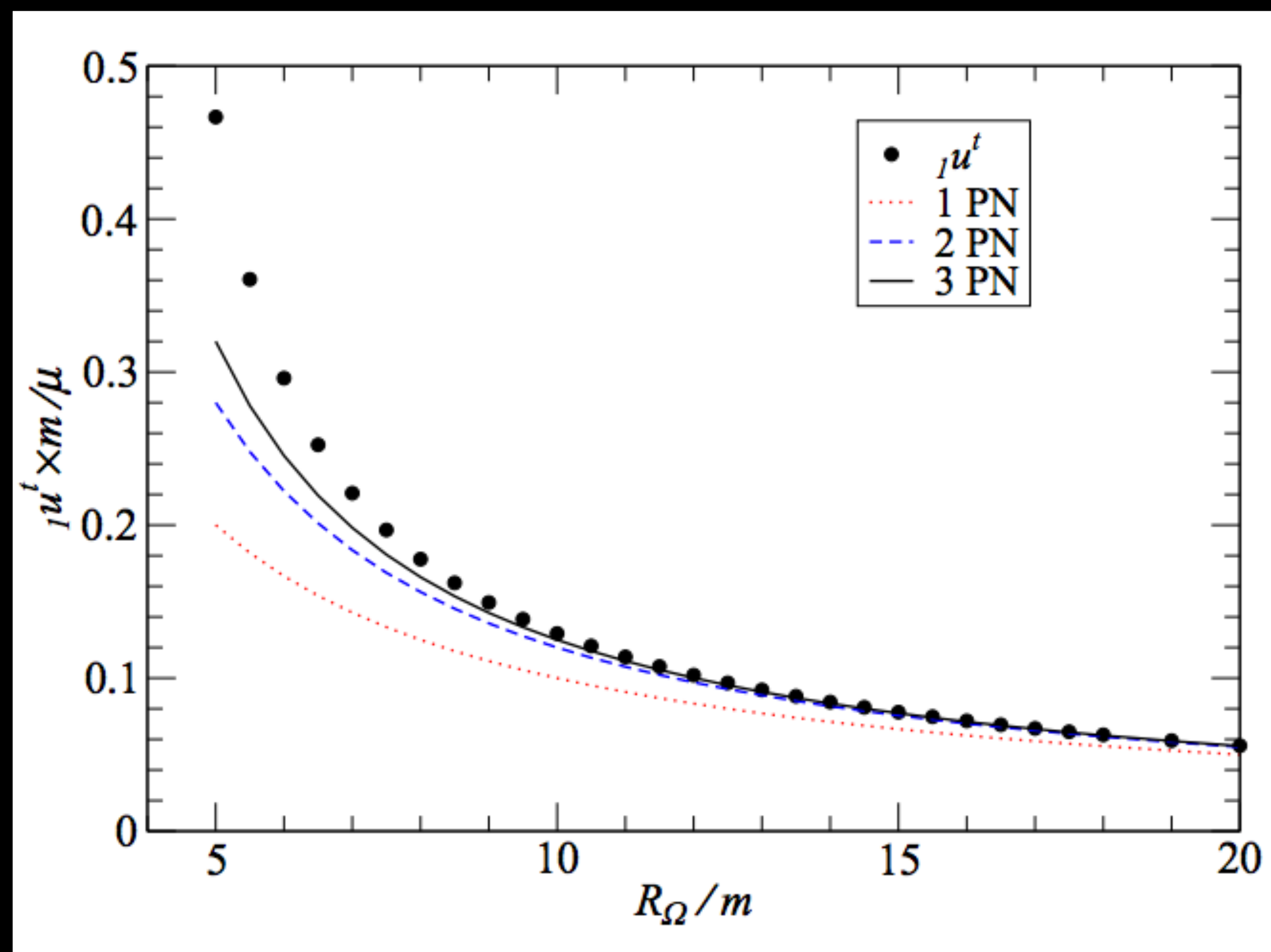


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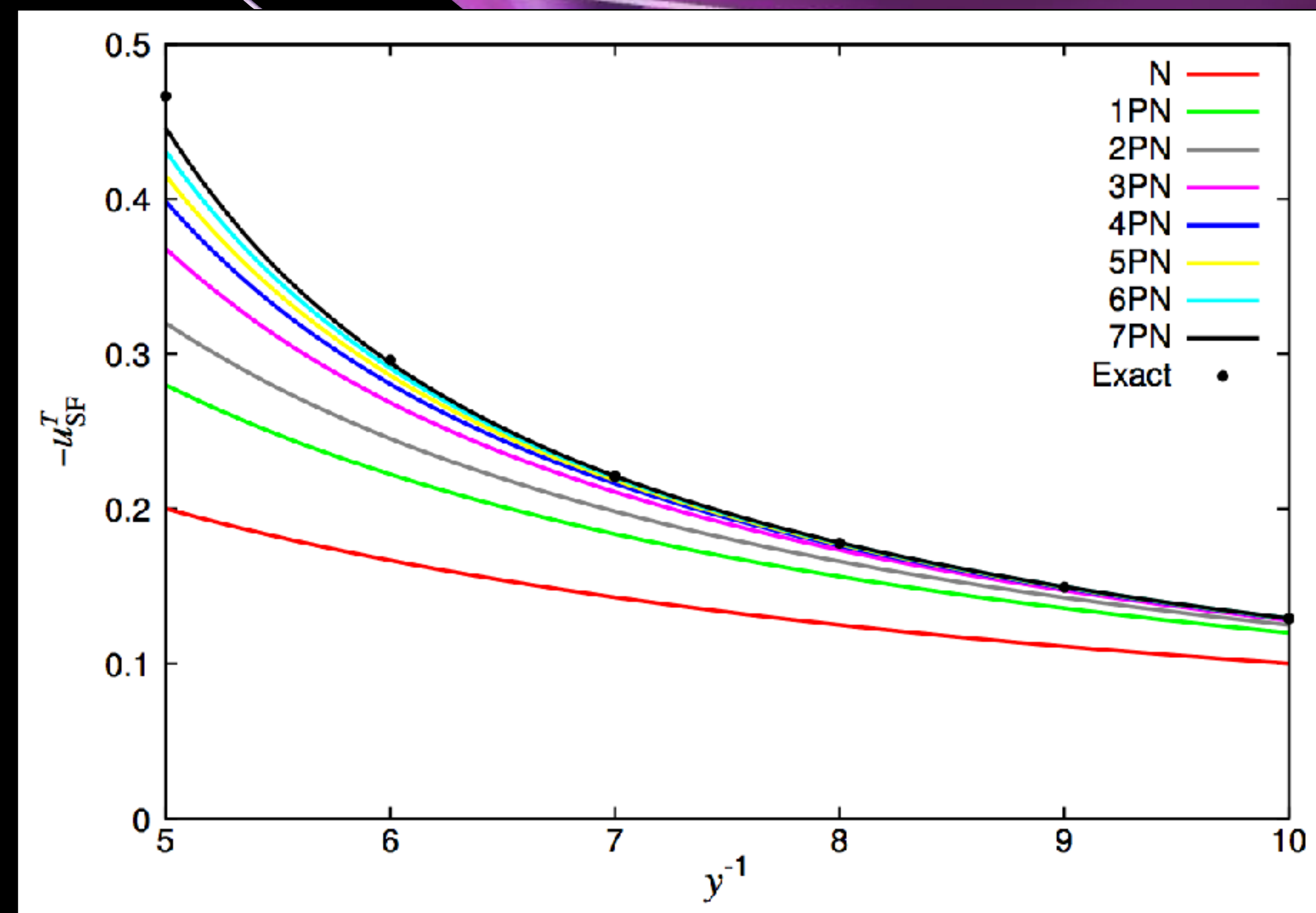
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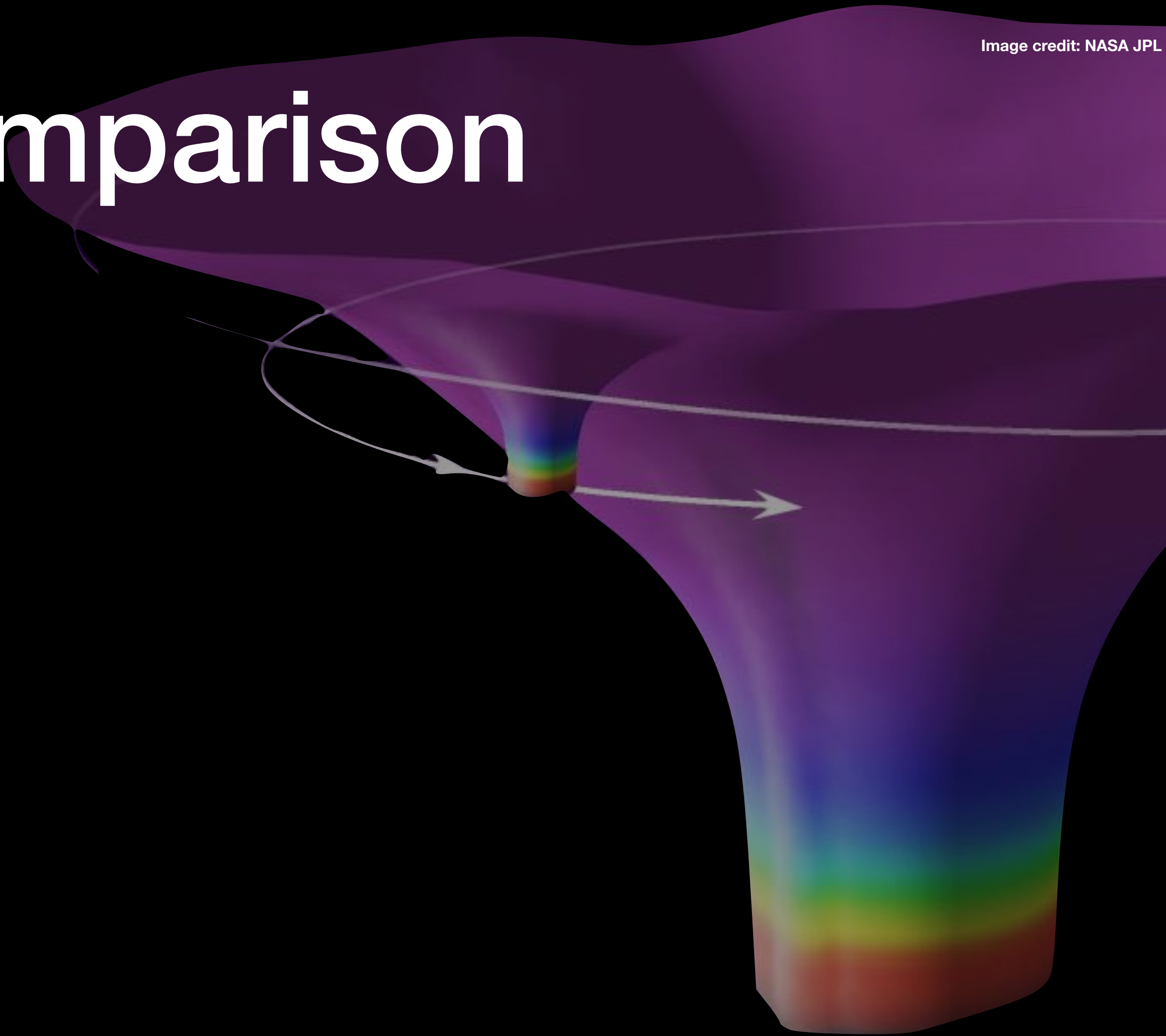


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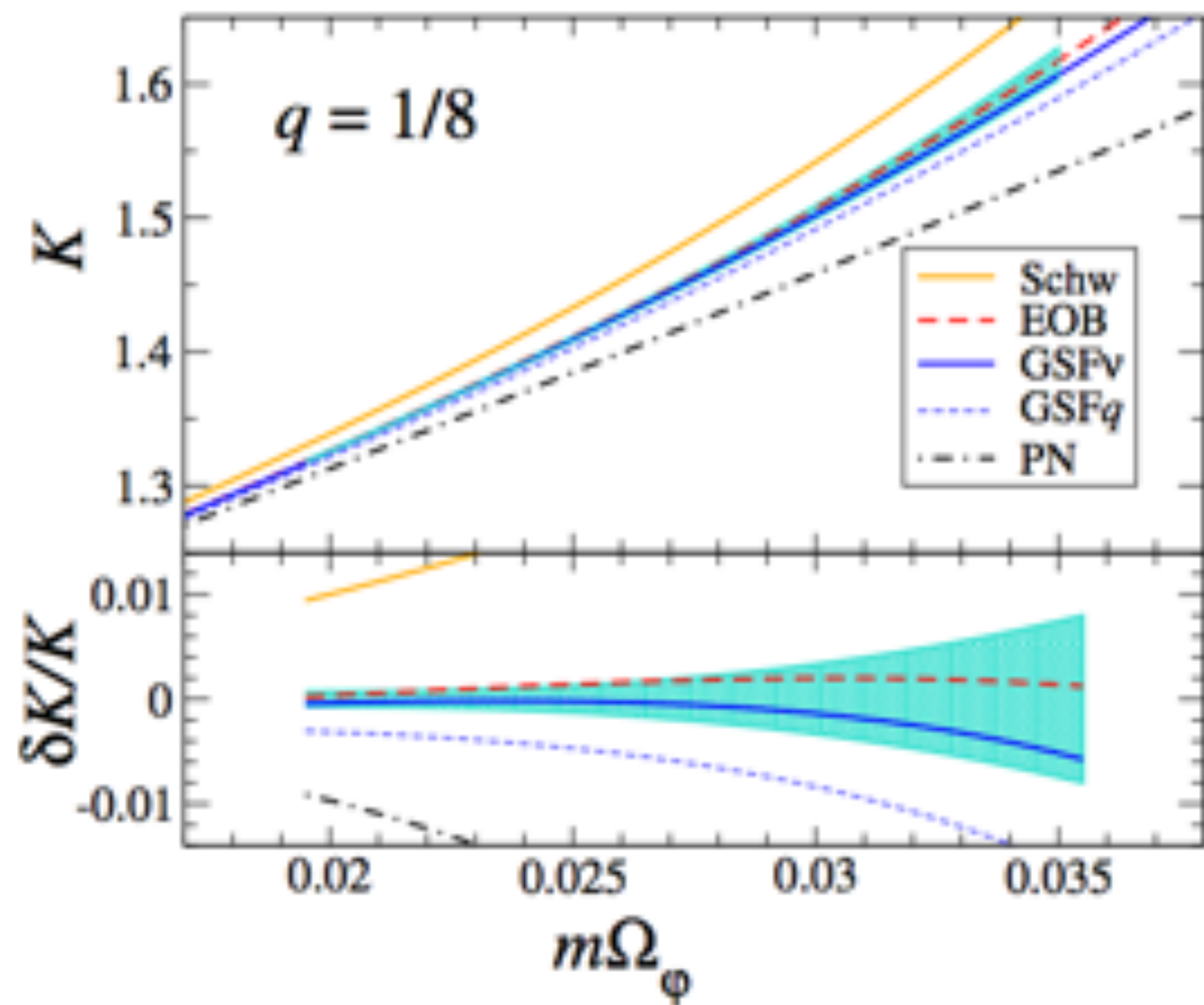
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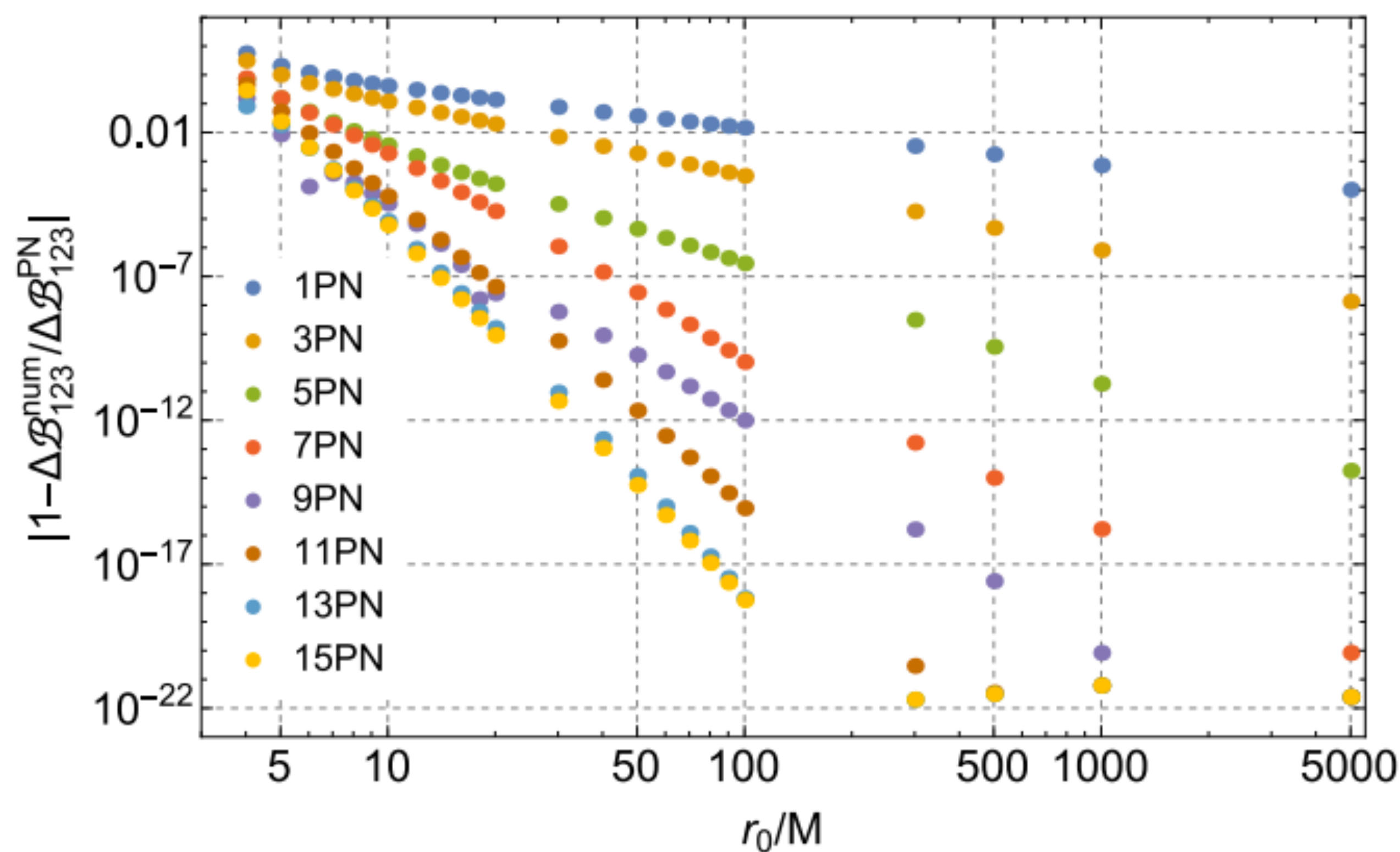
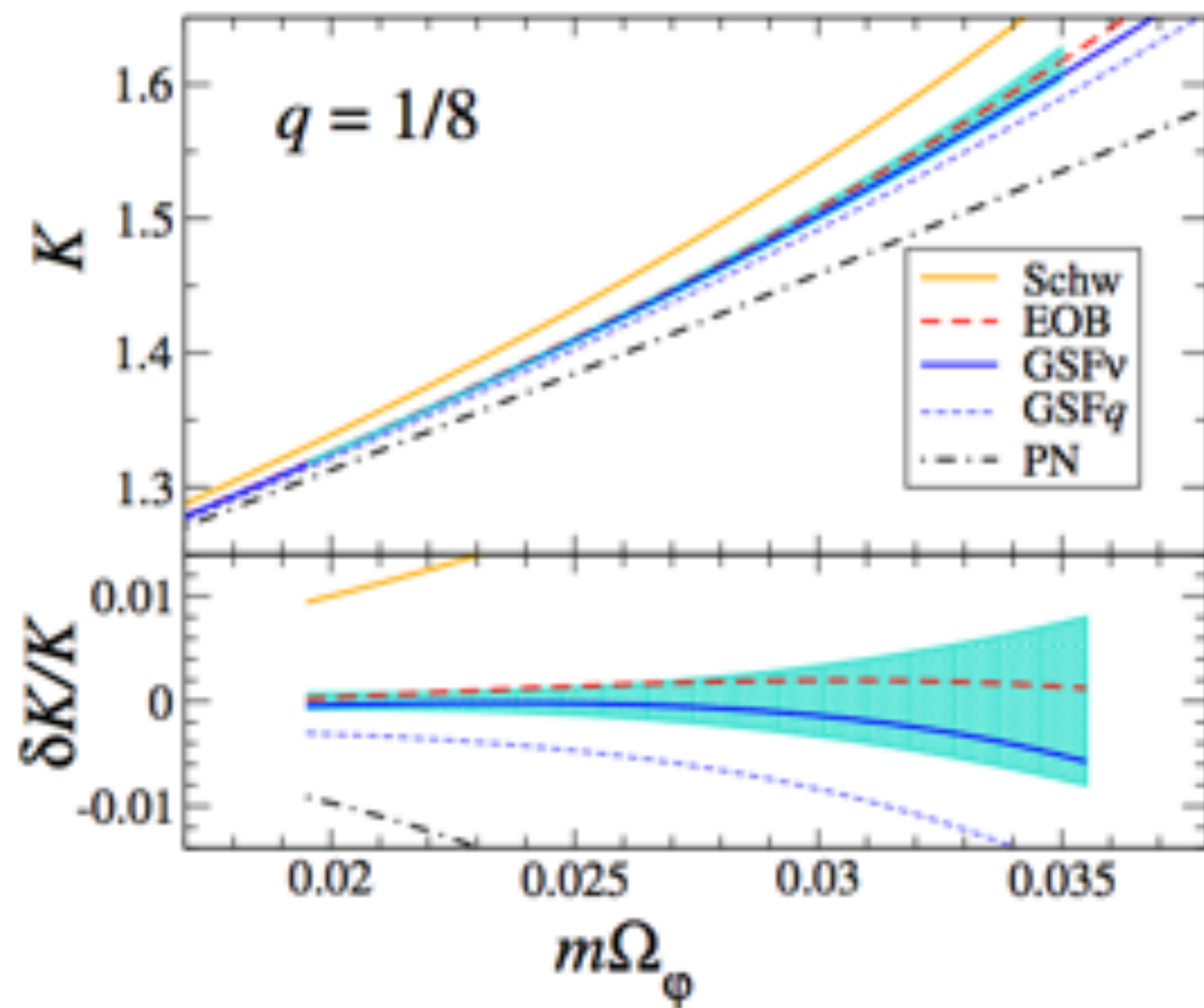
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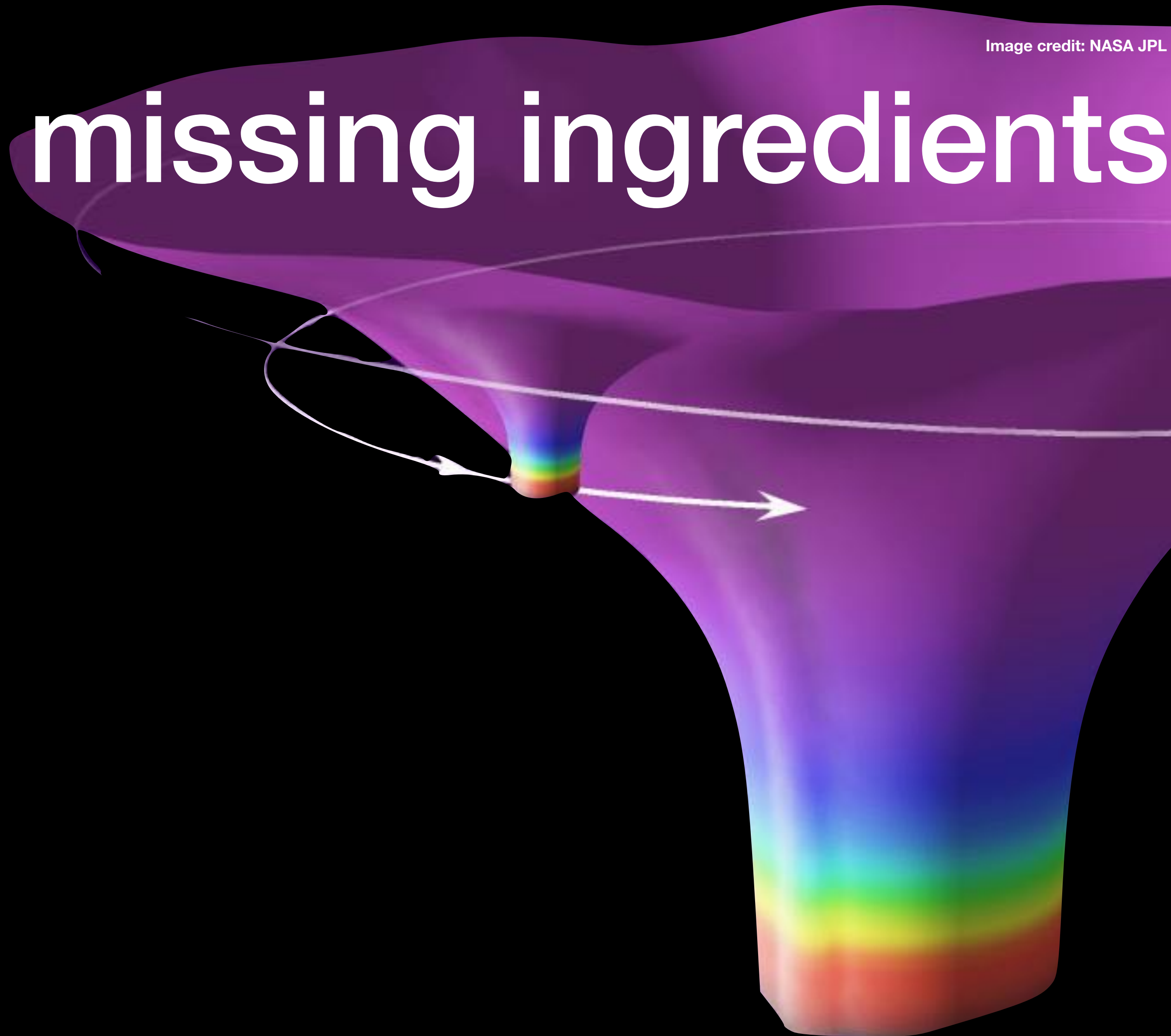
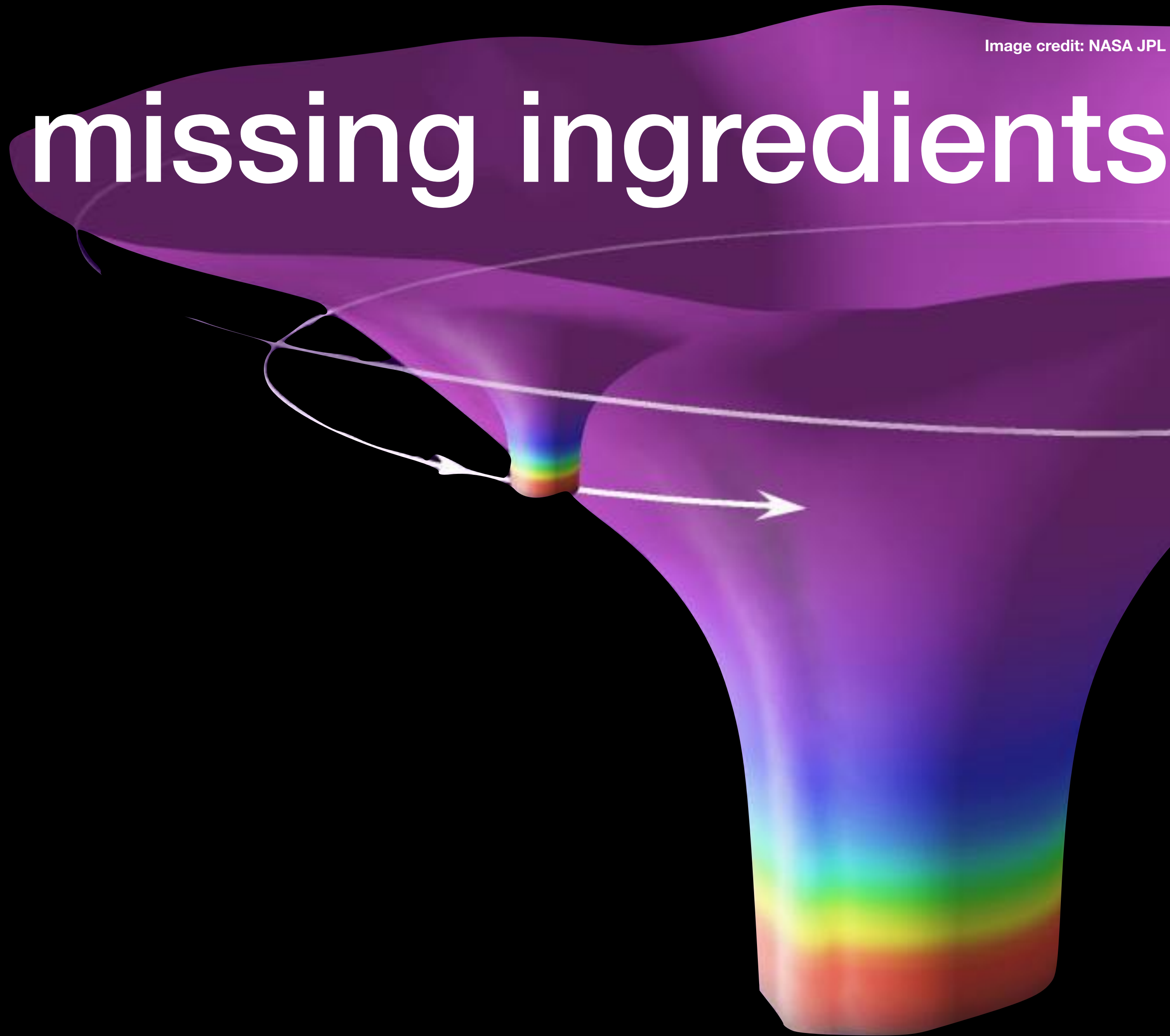




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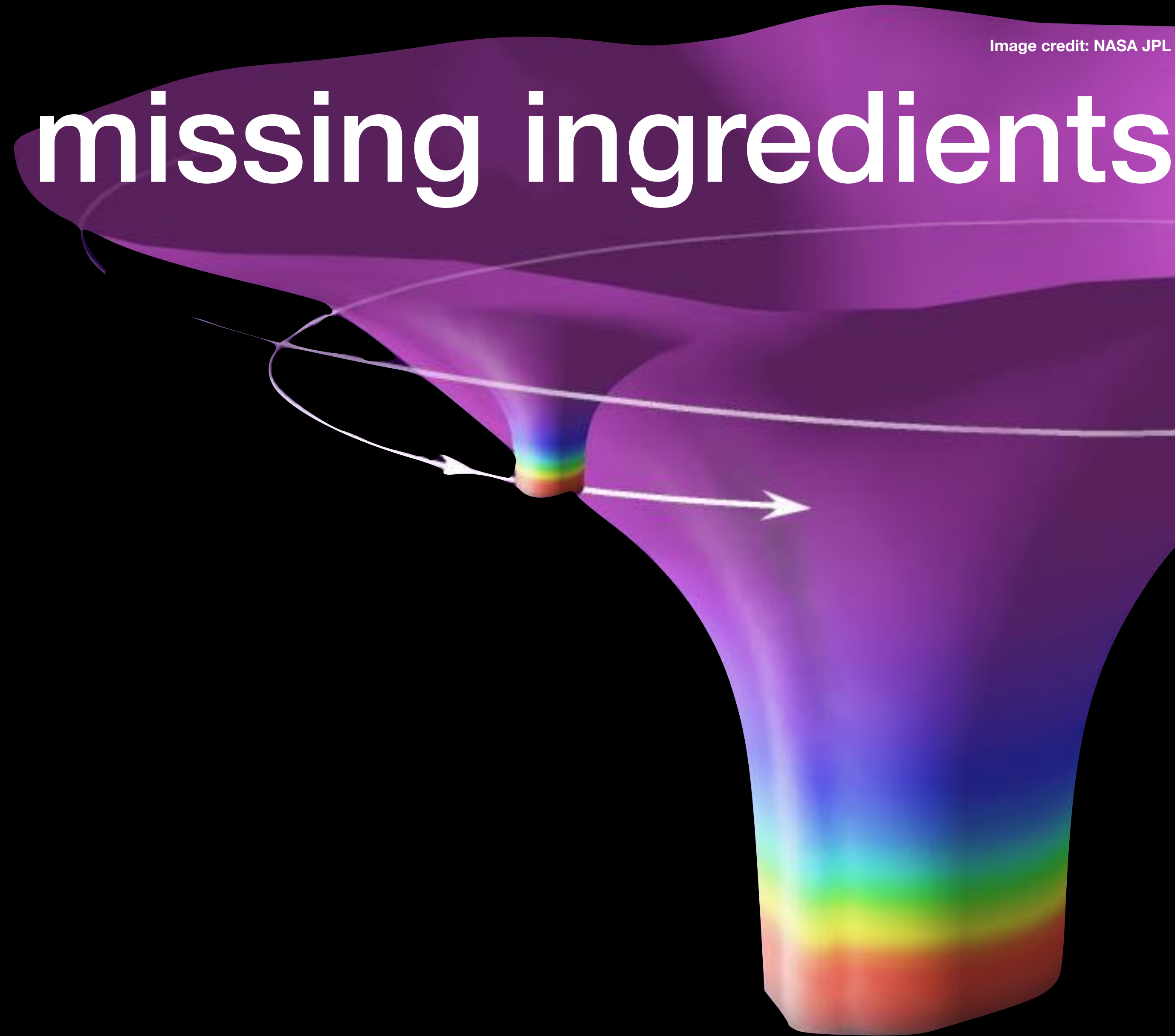




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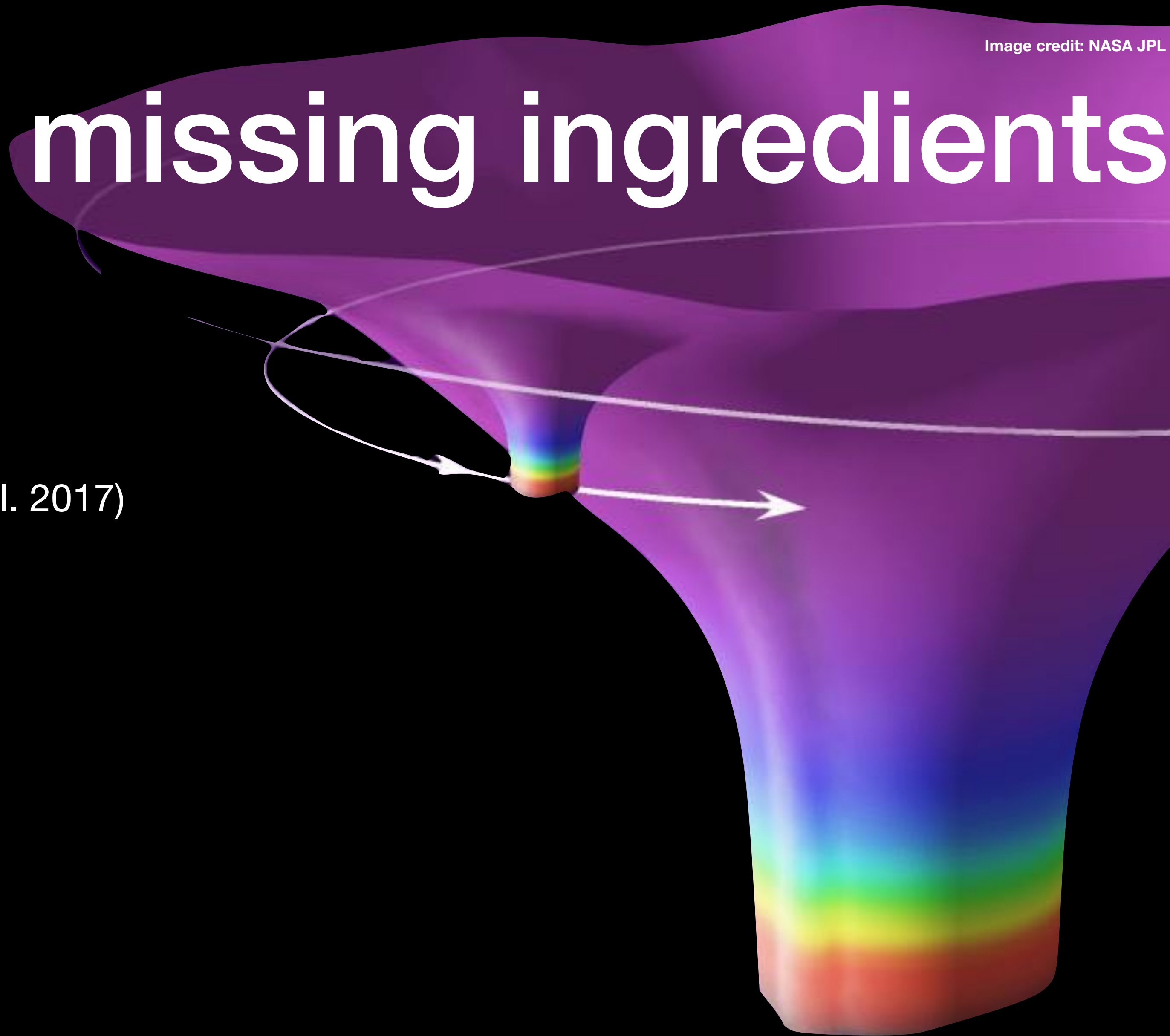




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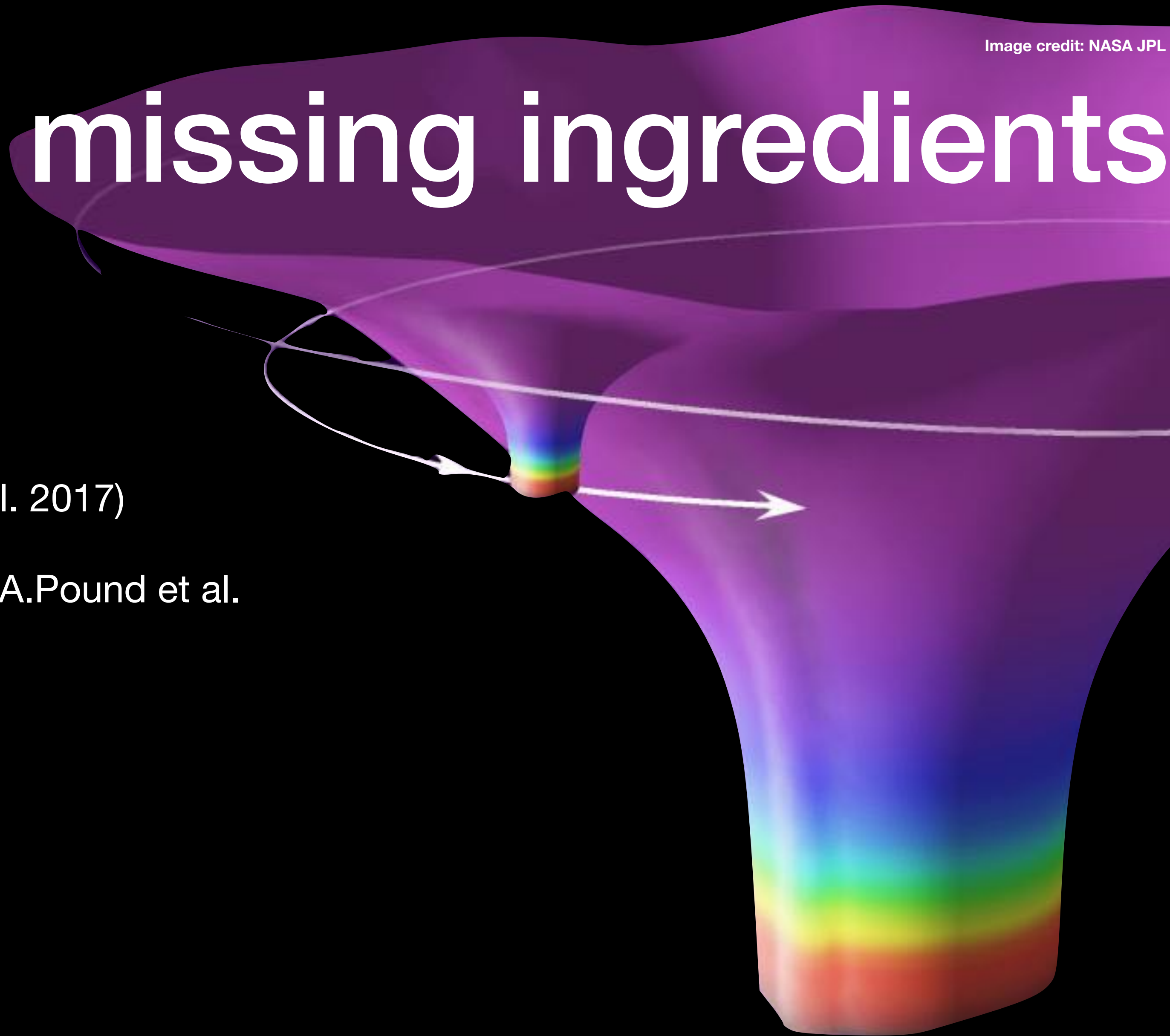




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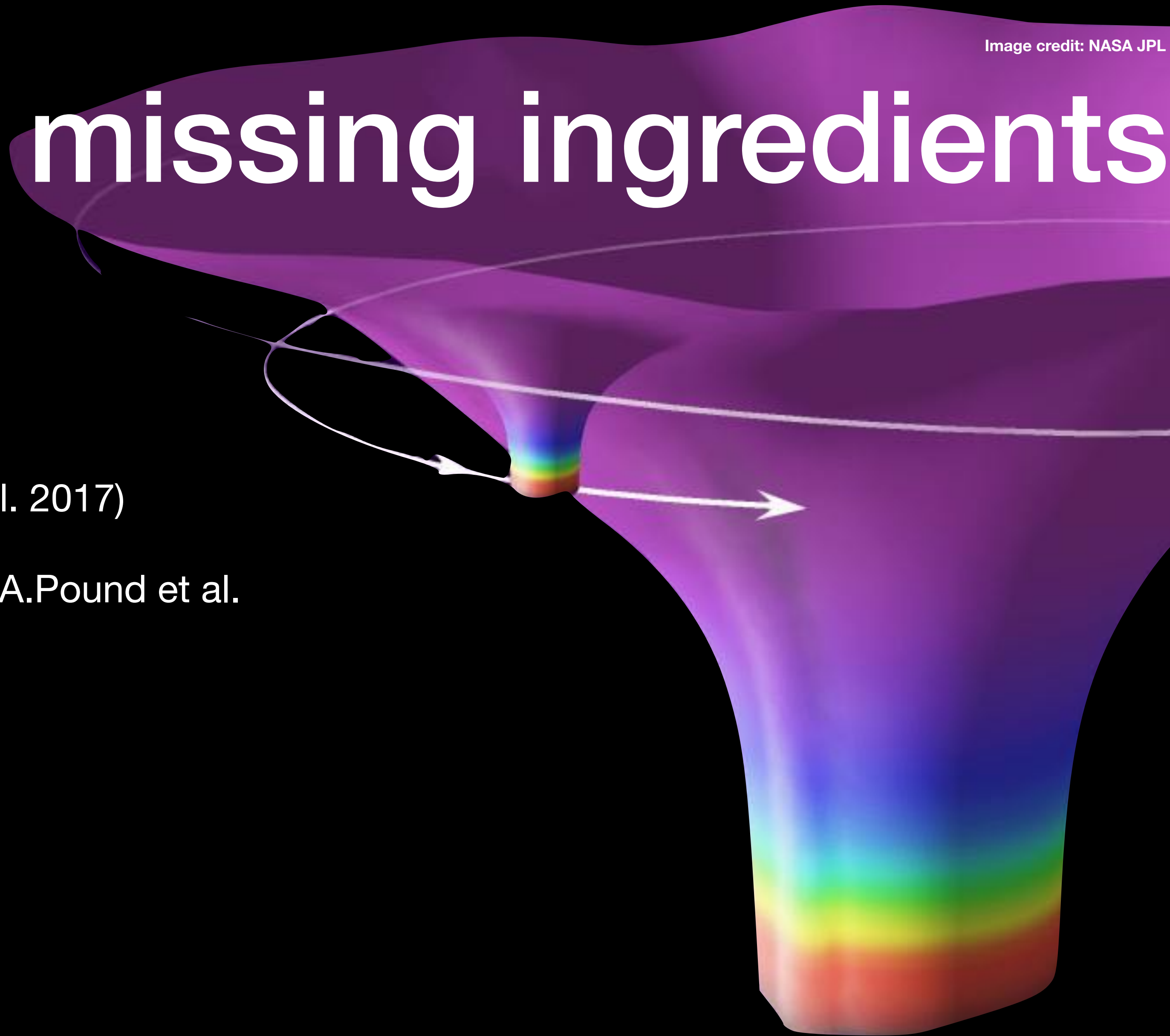




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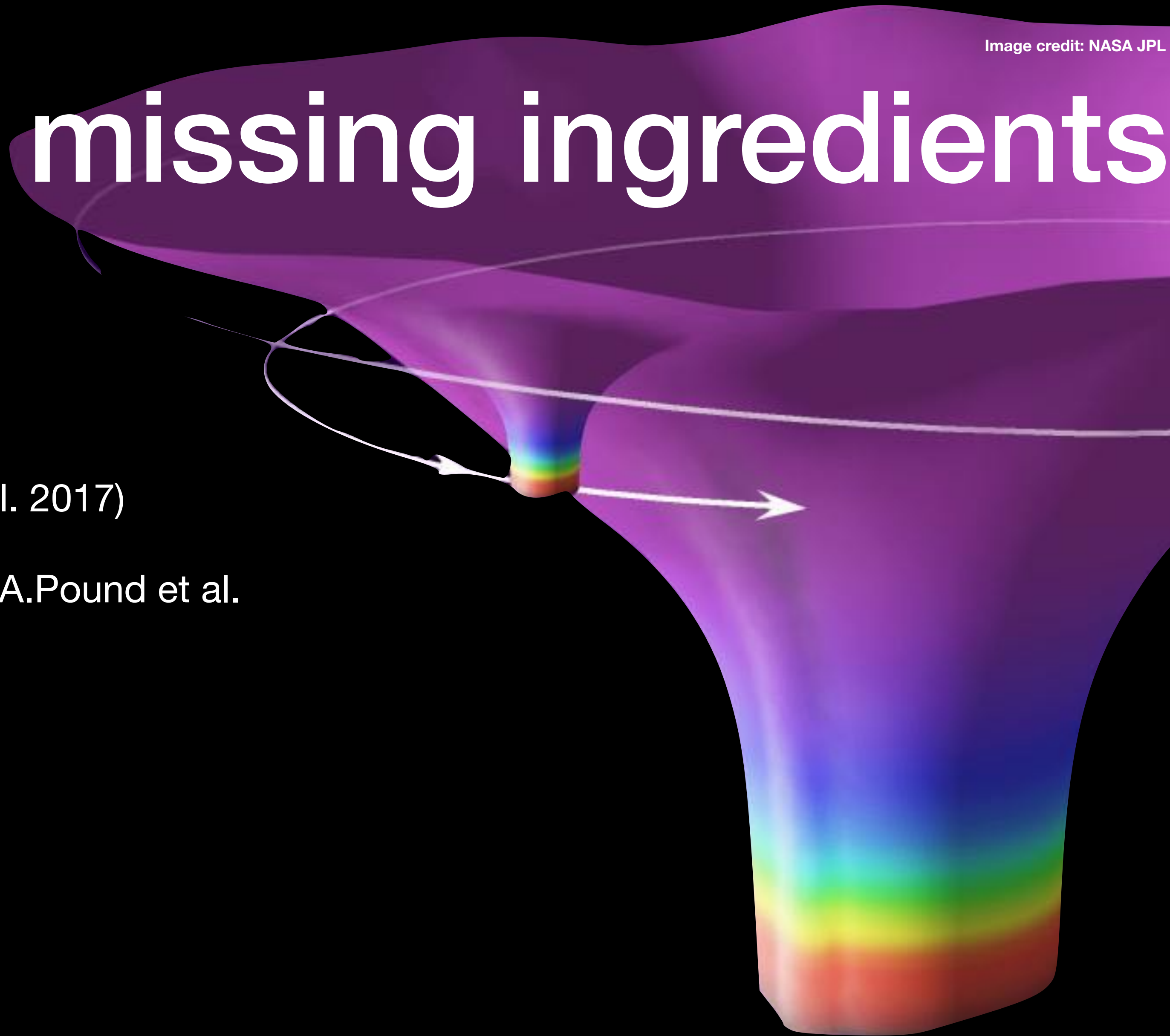




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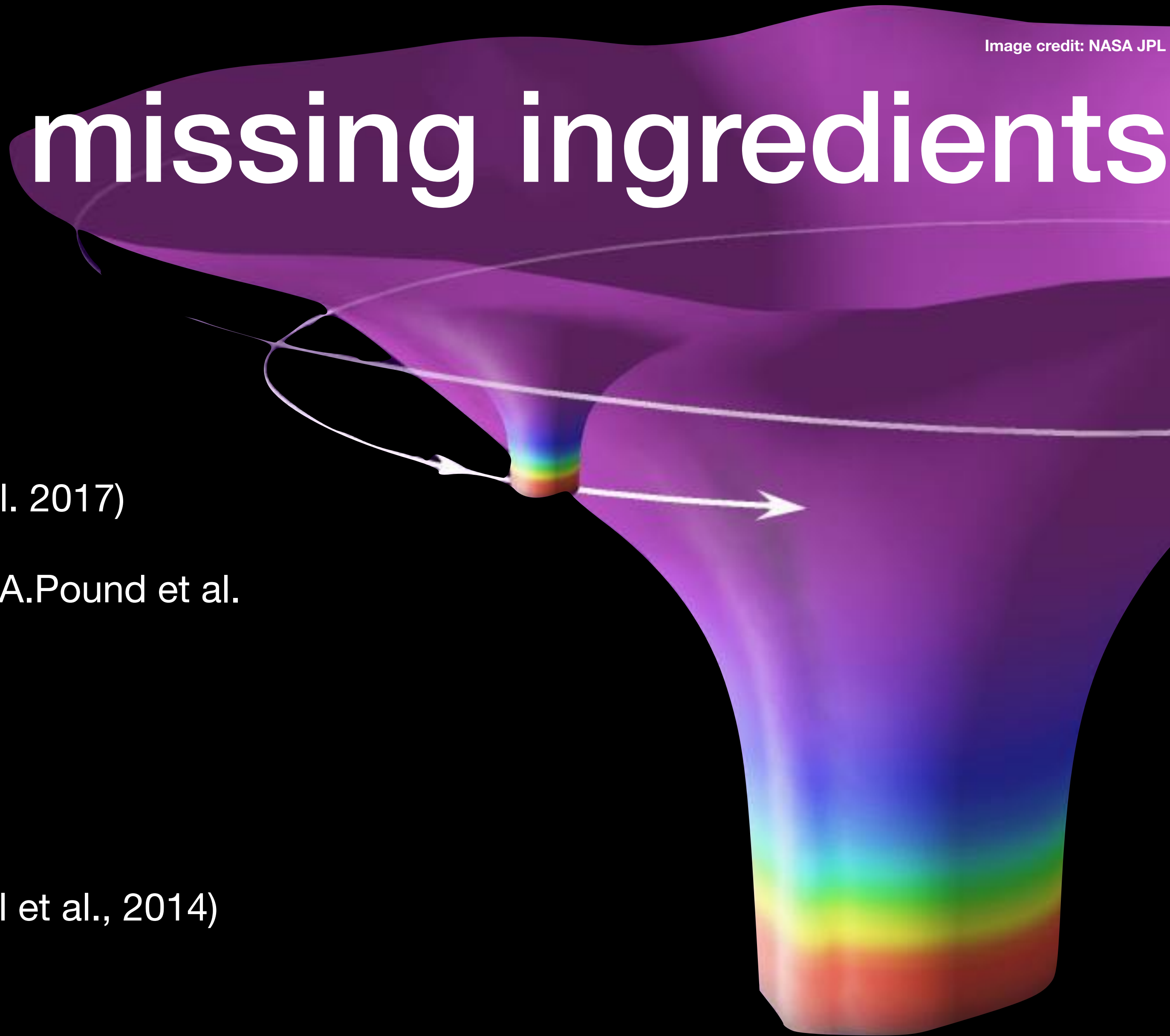




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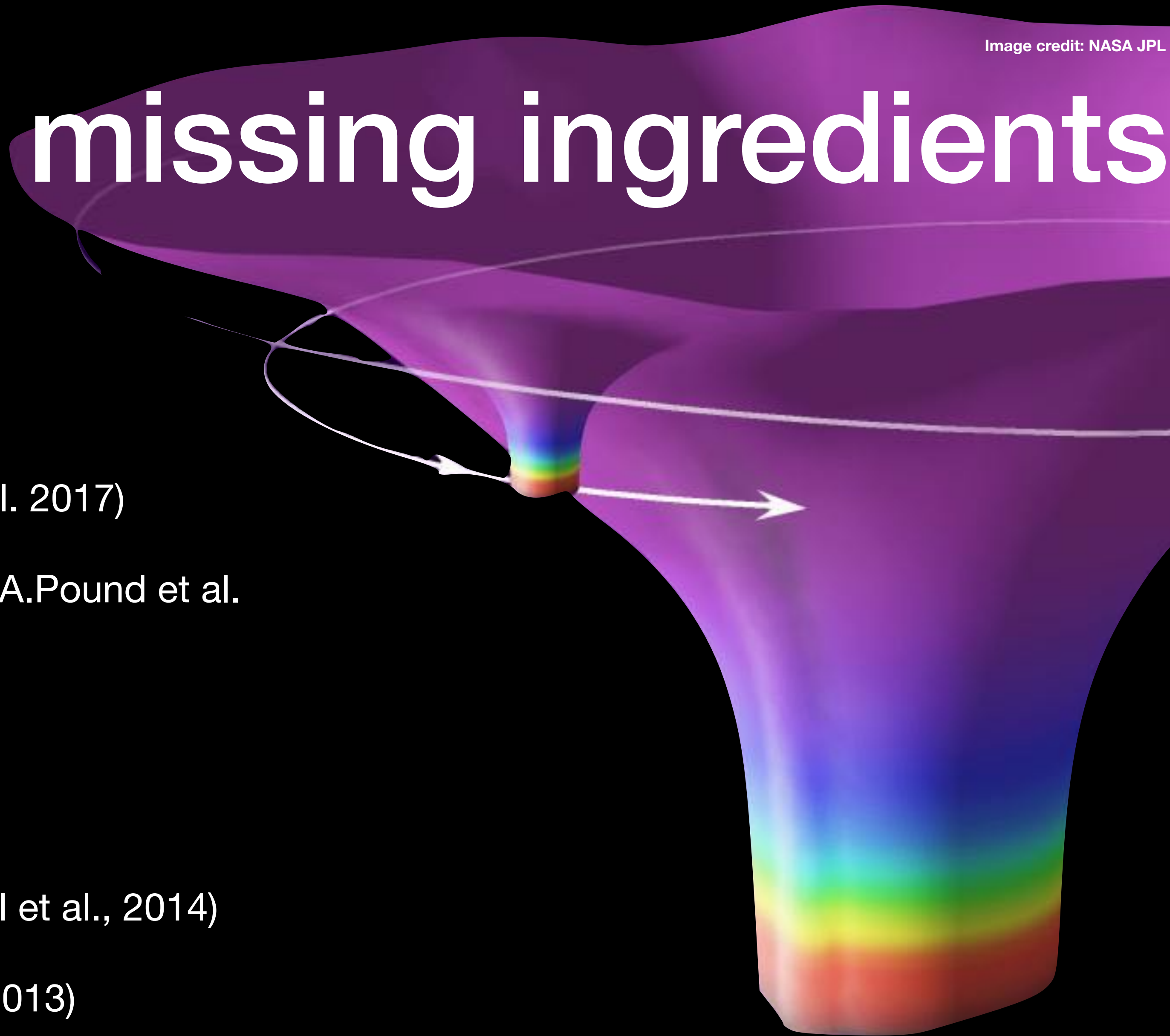




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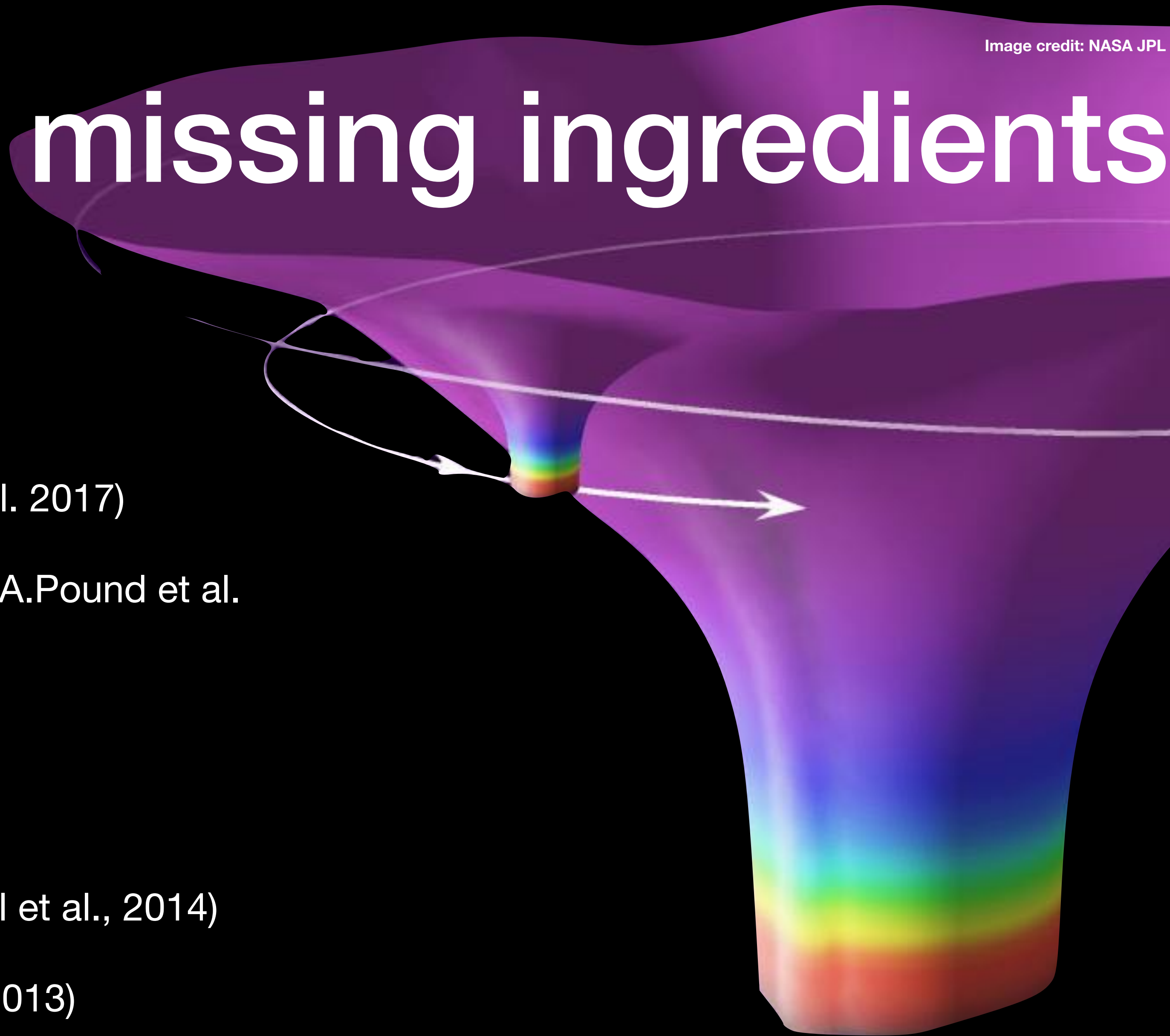


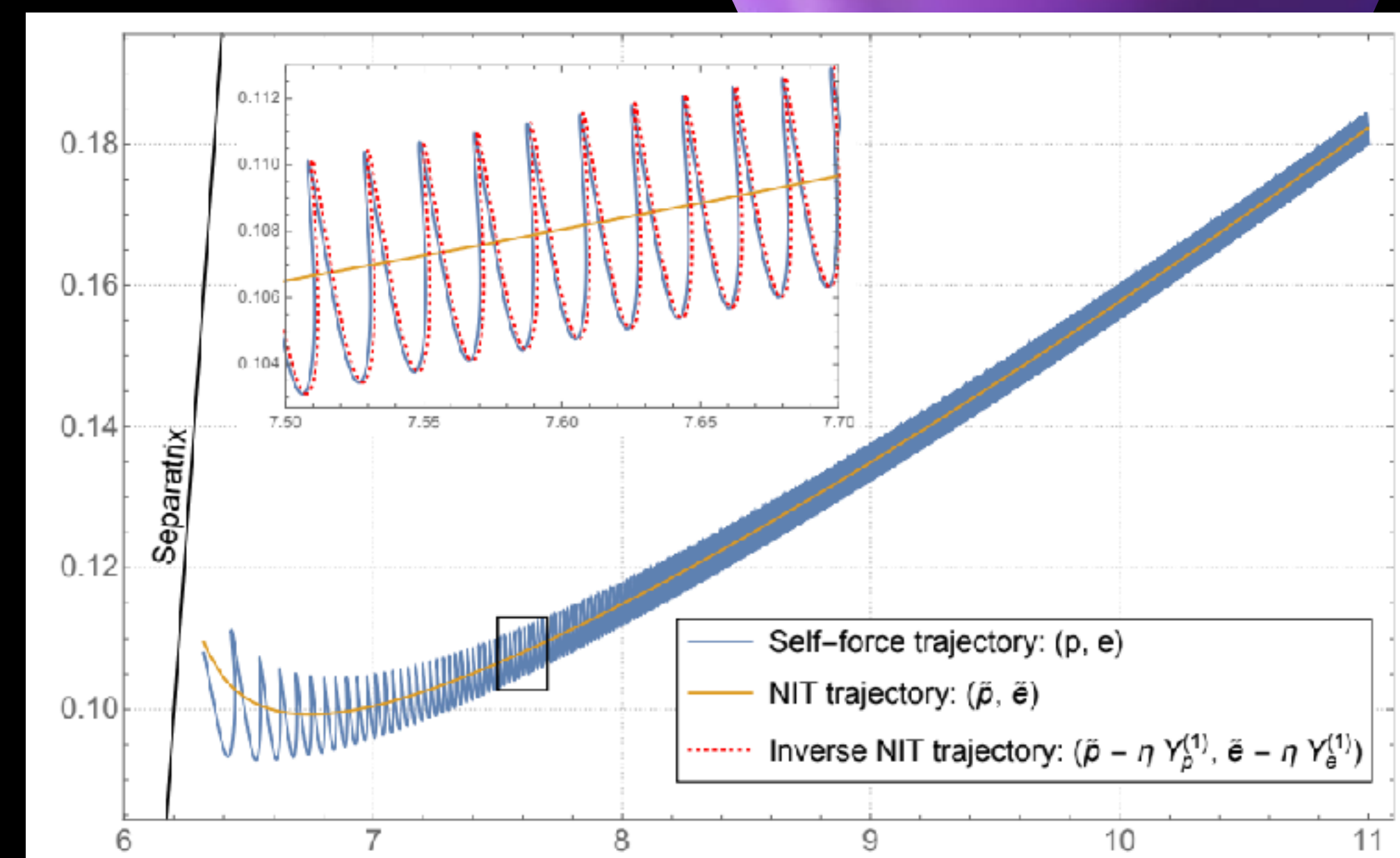


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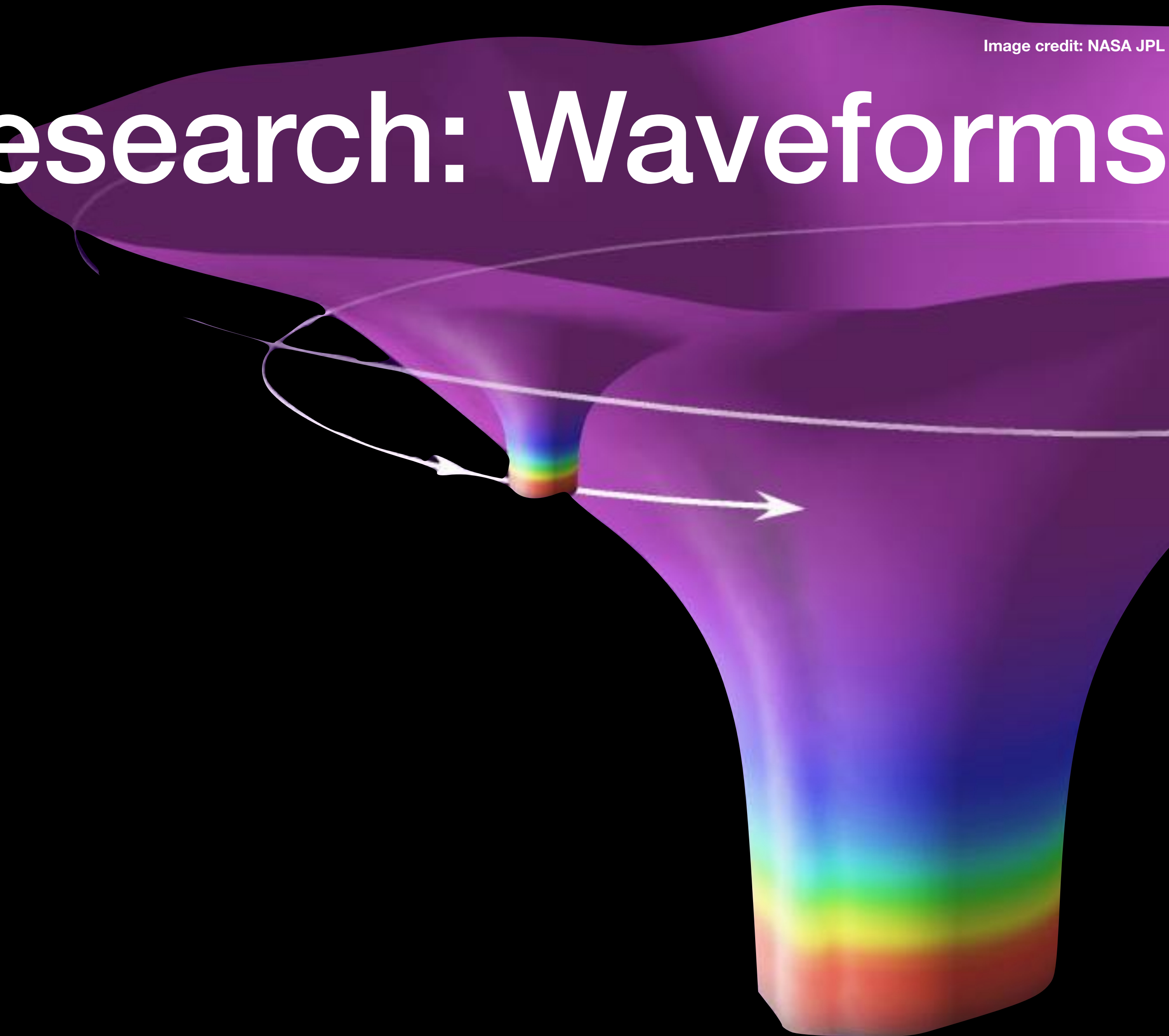




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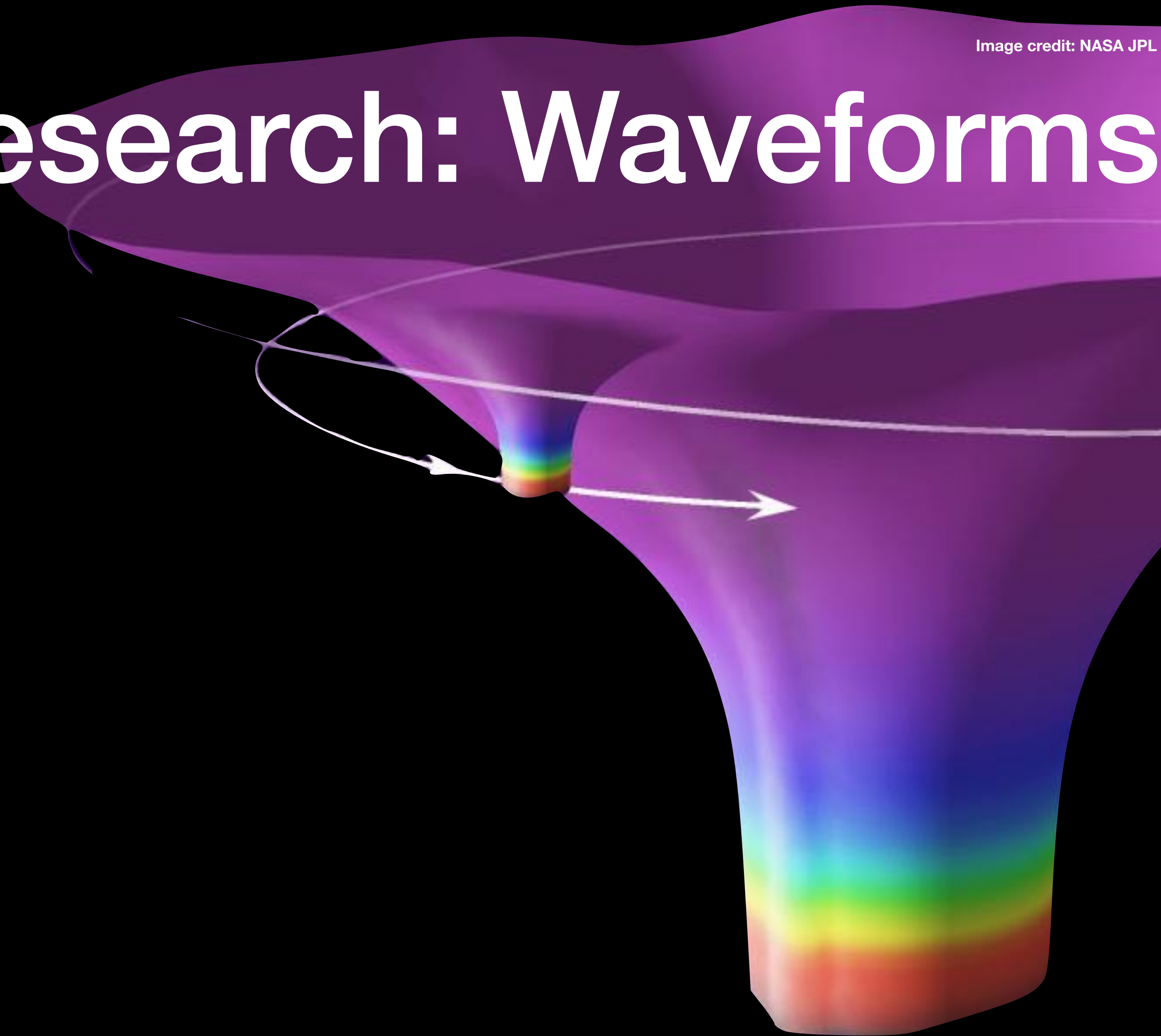




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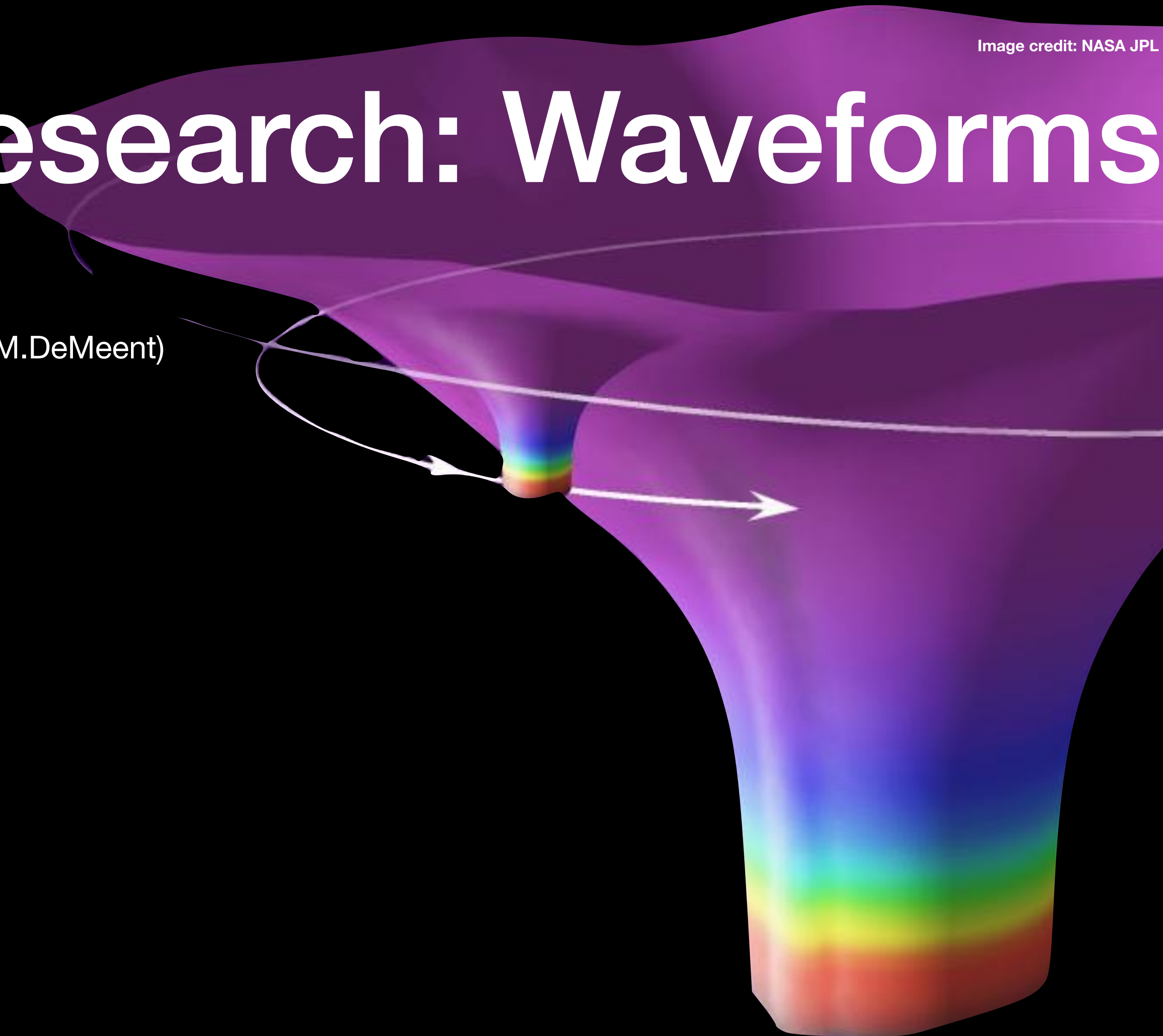




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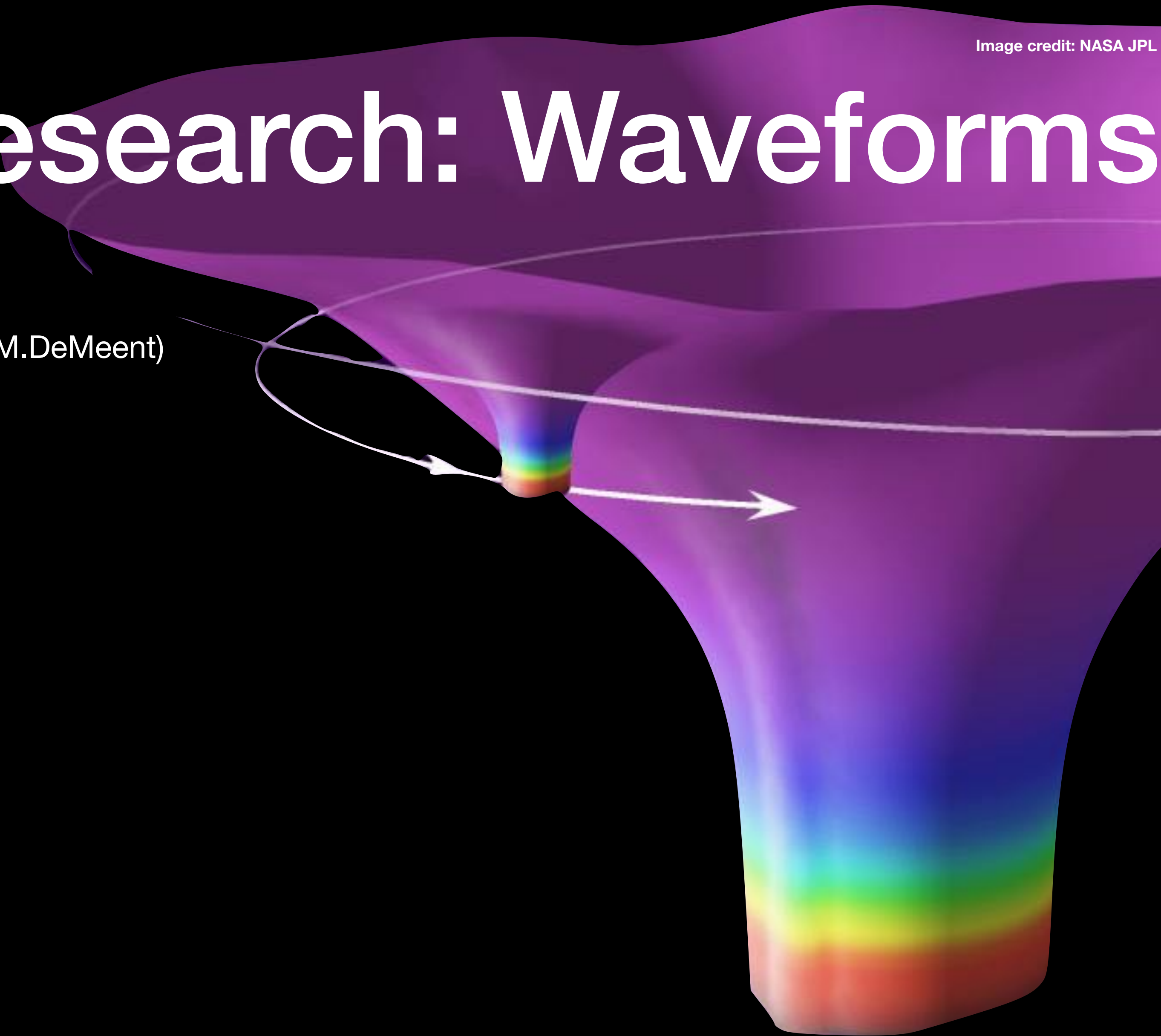




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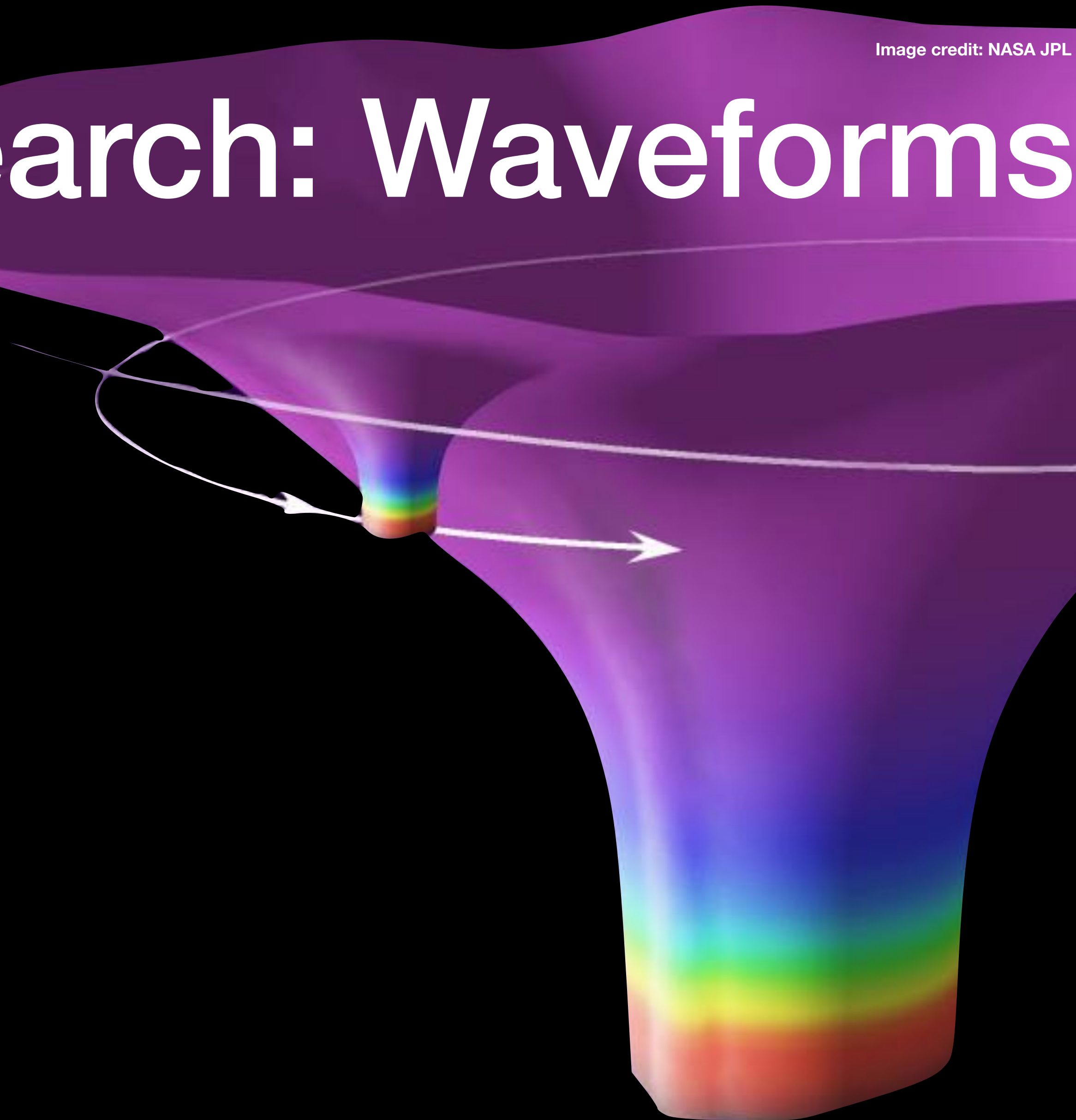




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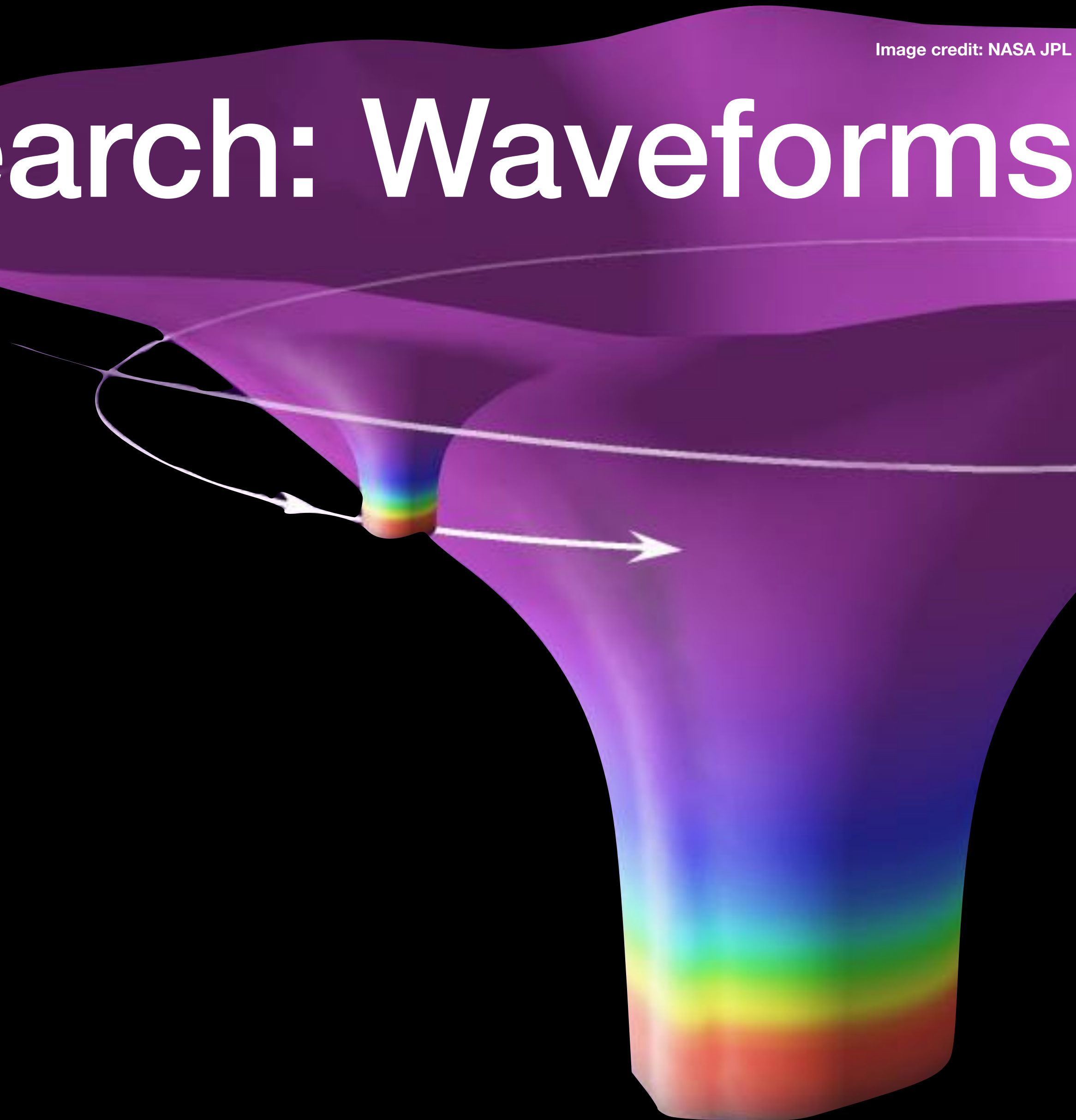




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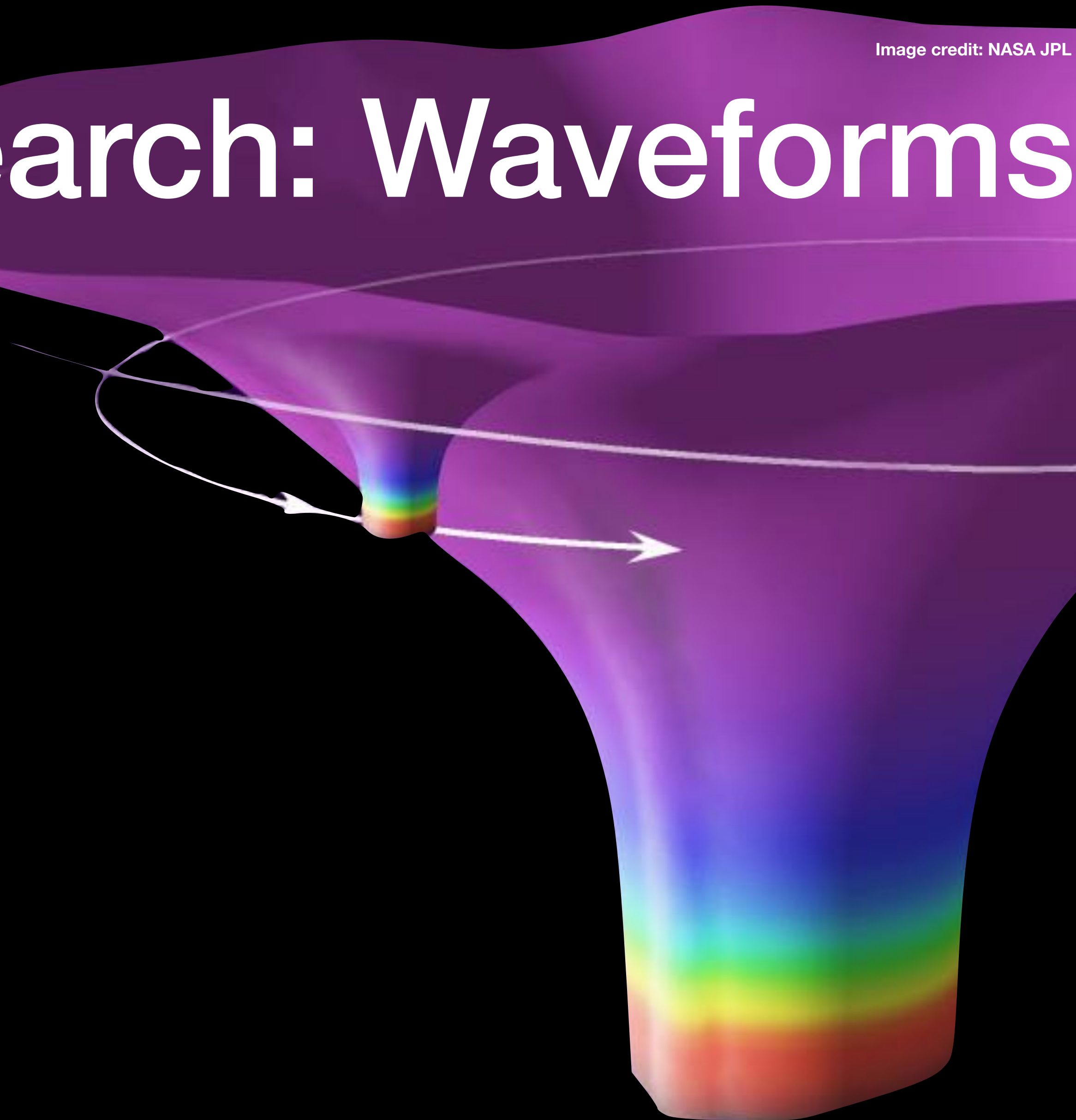




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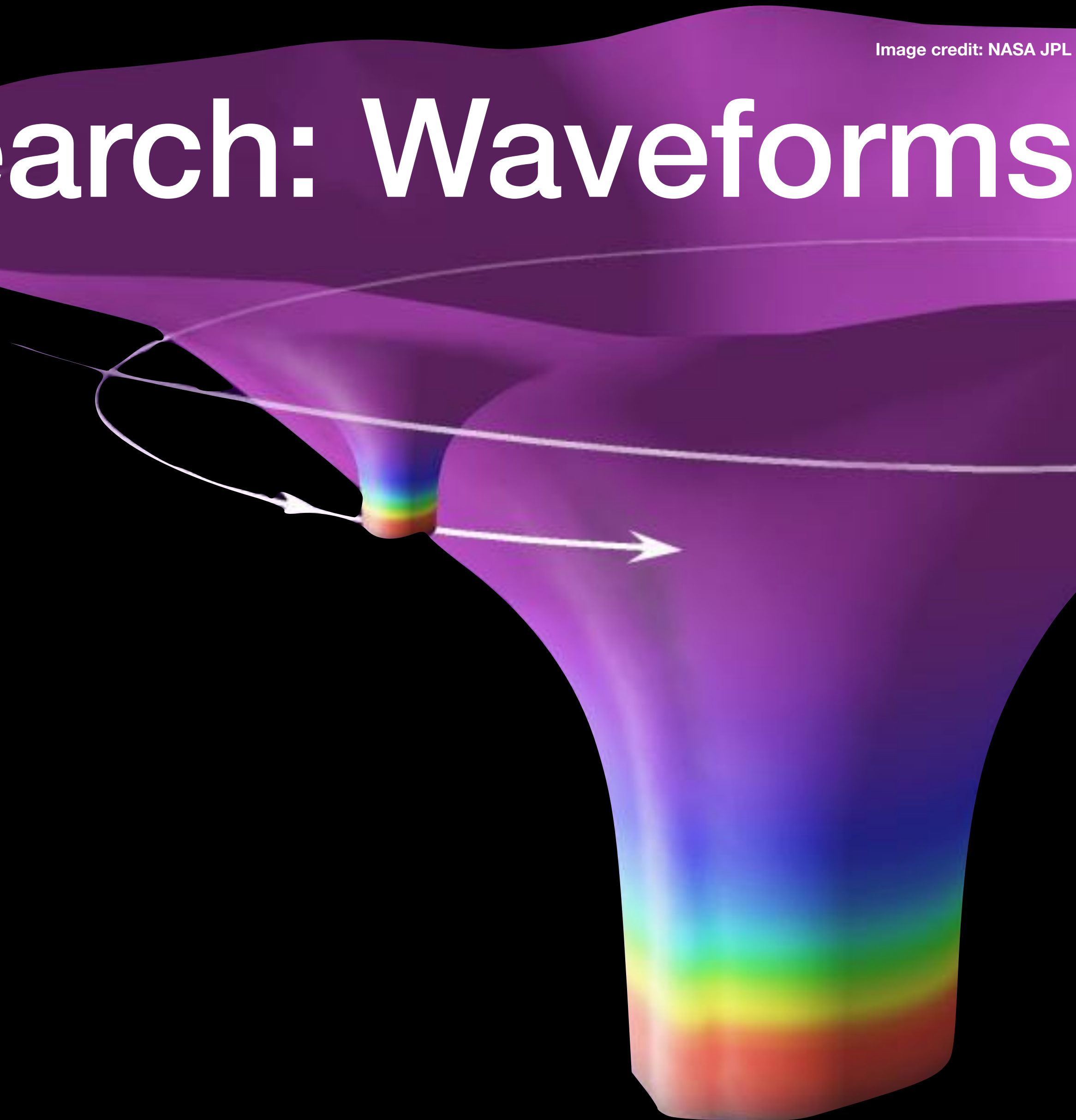




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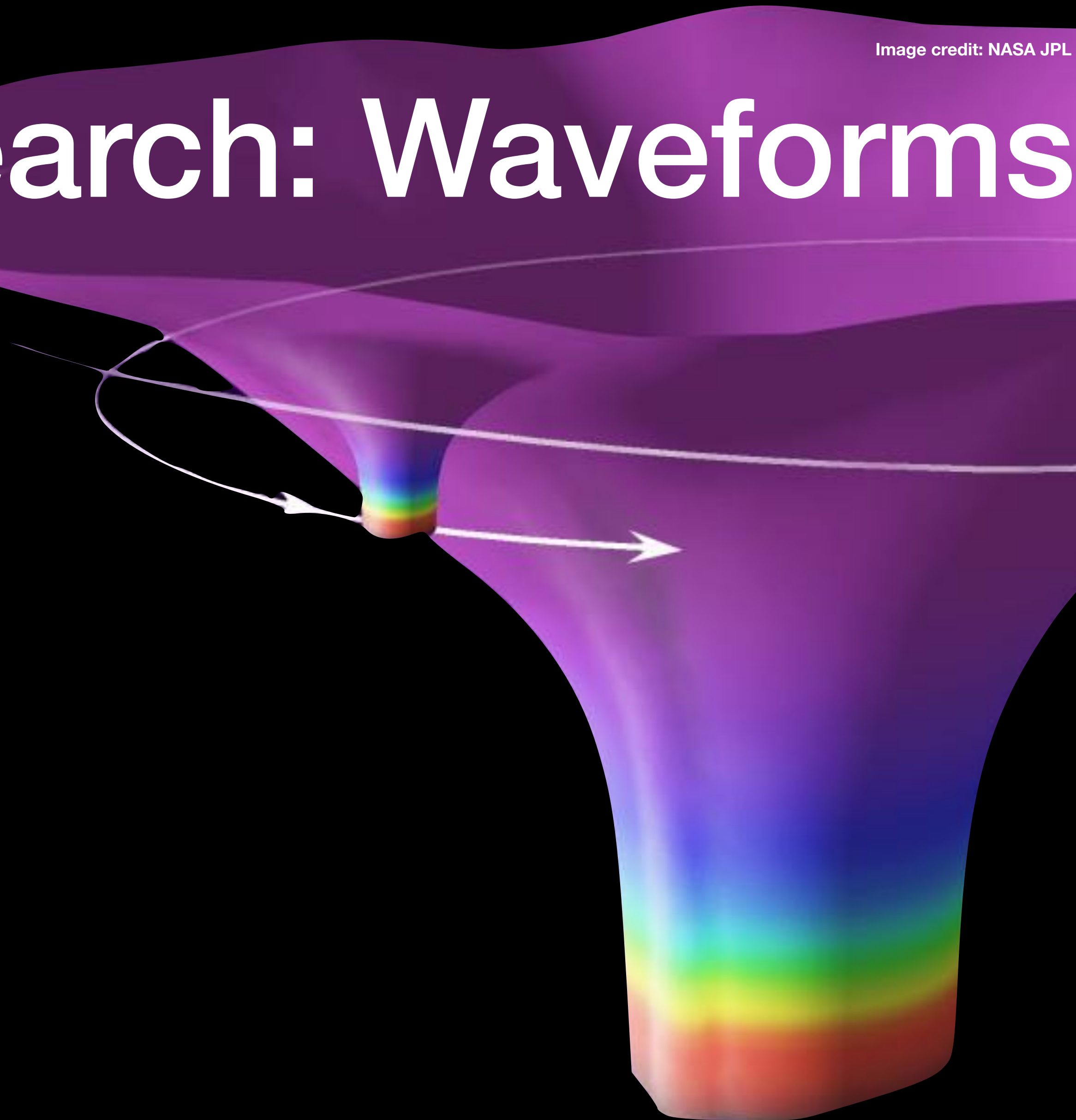




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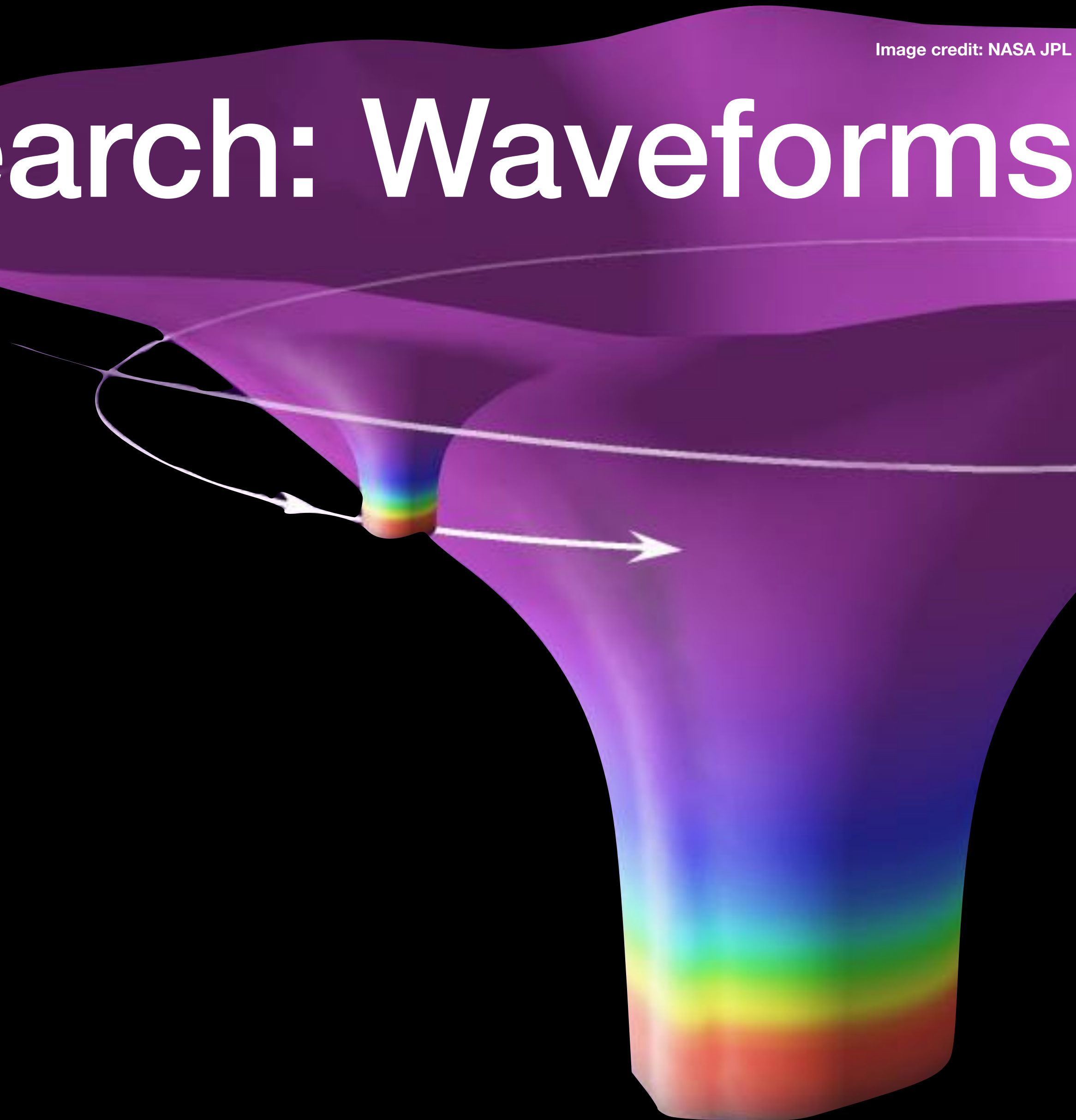




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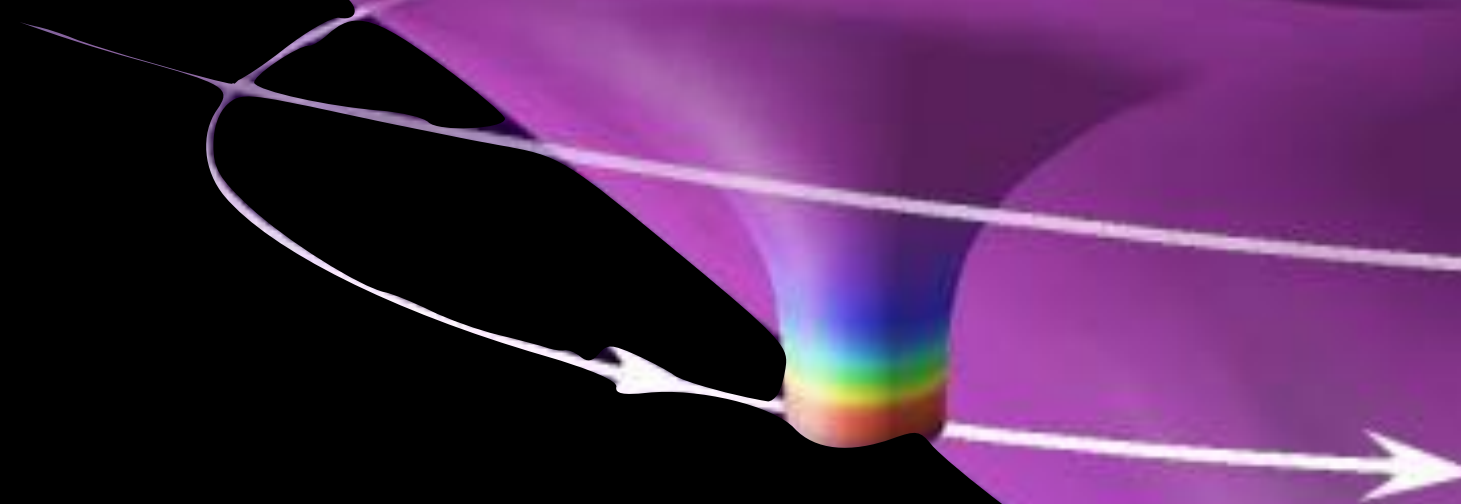




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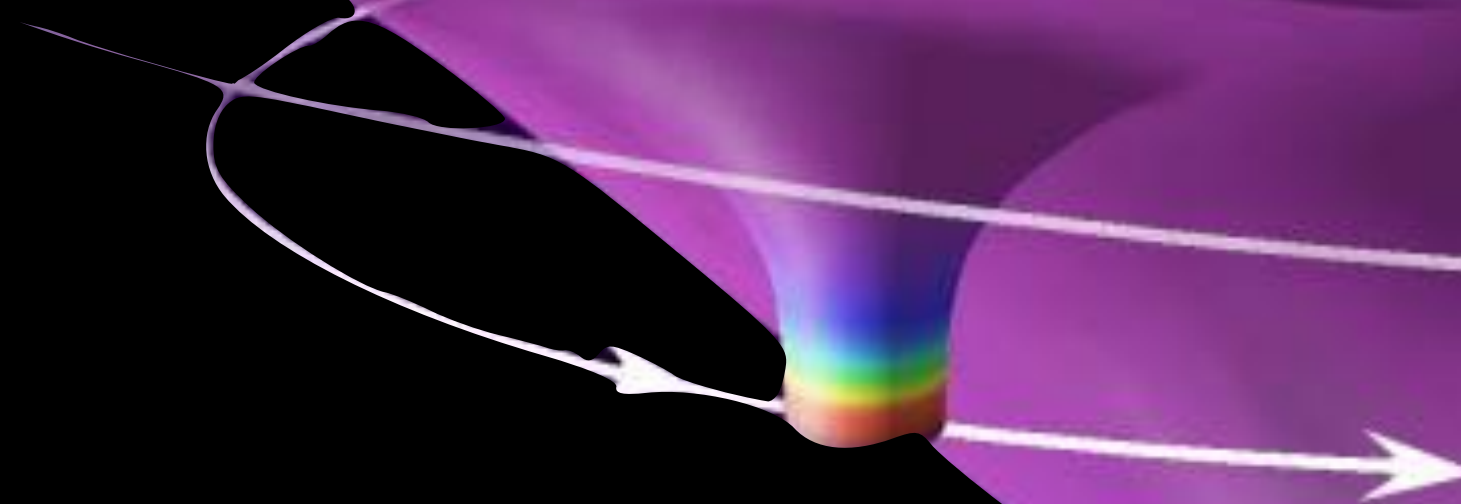




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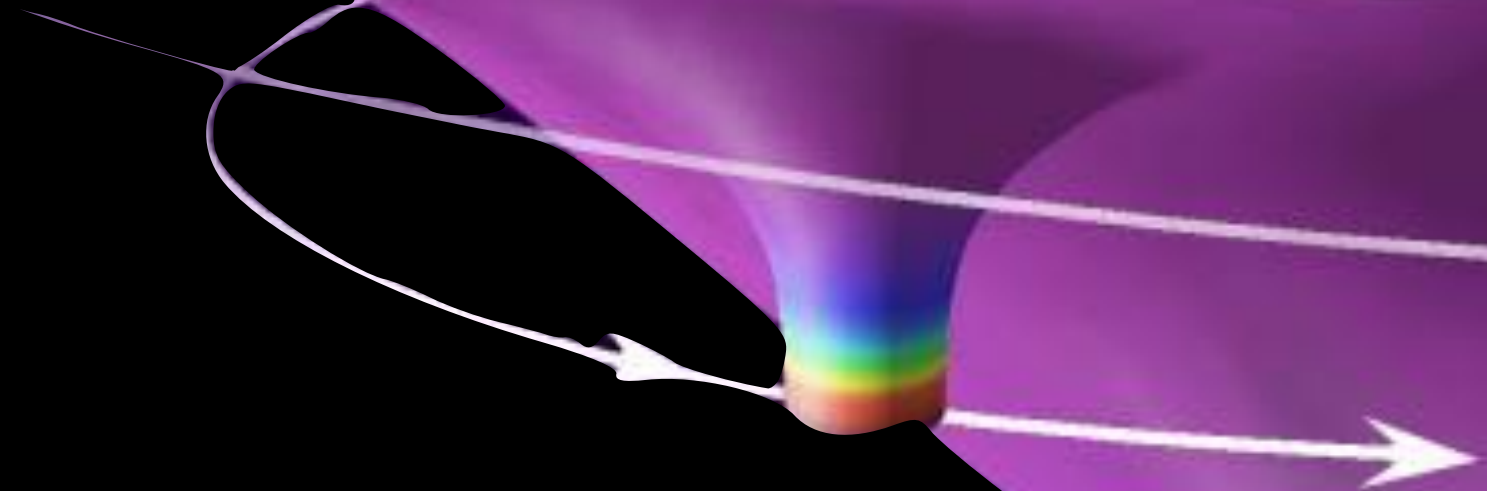




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