

Fun facts about gravity

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A tale of scales

When is a quantum world and when we need gravity?



Compton wavelength

$$\lambda_C = \frac{\hbar}{m}$$

Schwarzschild Radius

$$R_s = \frac{2Gm}{c^2}$$

Compared to what?

Strongly coupled gravity

$$\lambda_C = \frac{\hbar}{E_{CM}}$$

$$L_p \sim \frac{1}{M_{Pl}}$$

New d.o.f.

$$R_s = \frac{2GE_{CM}}{c^2}$$

$$L_*$$

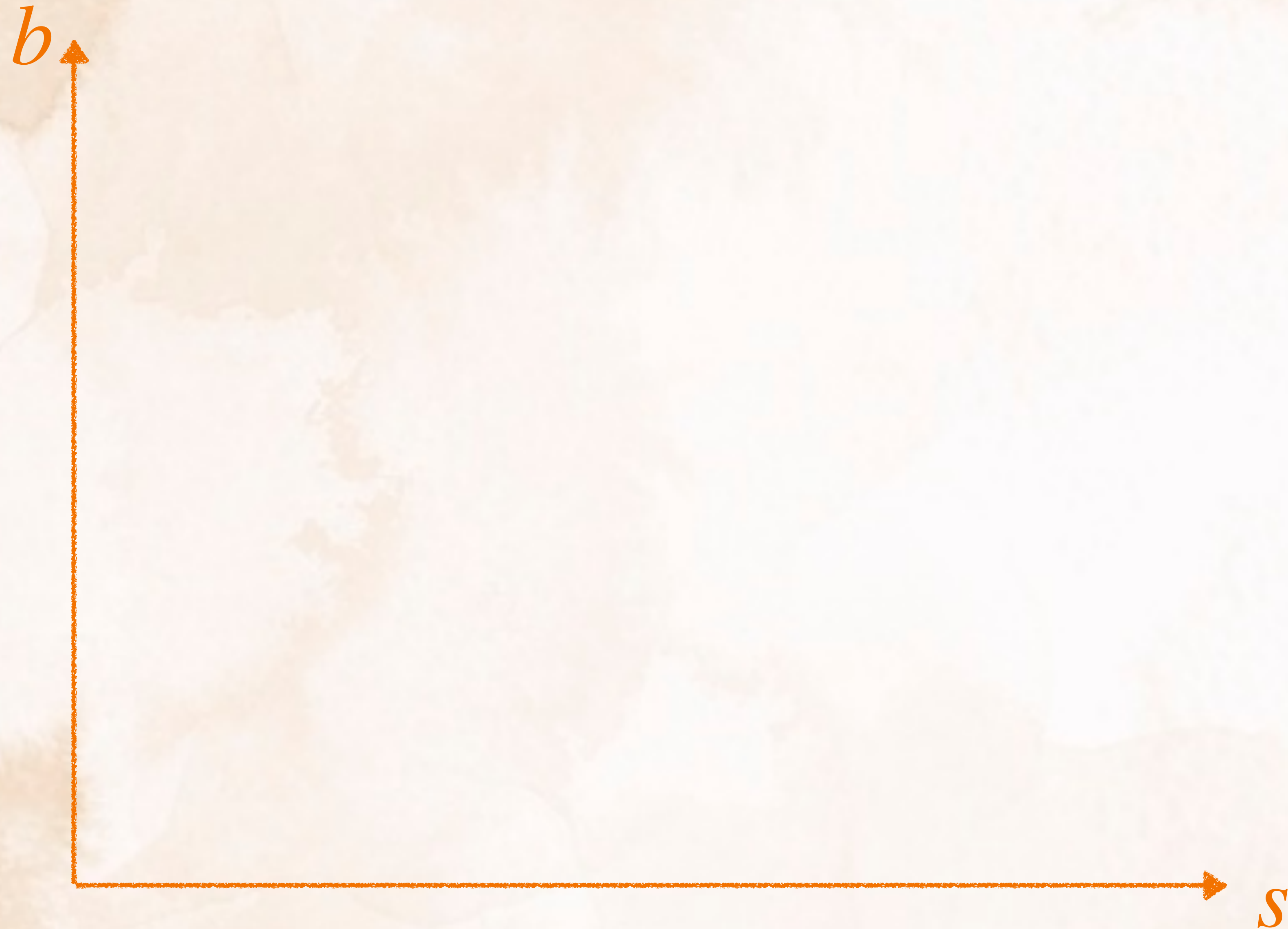
Mandelstam: $s \ t \ u$, $s + t + u = 4m^2$

$$s = E_{CM}^2$$

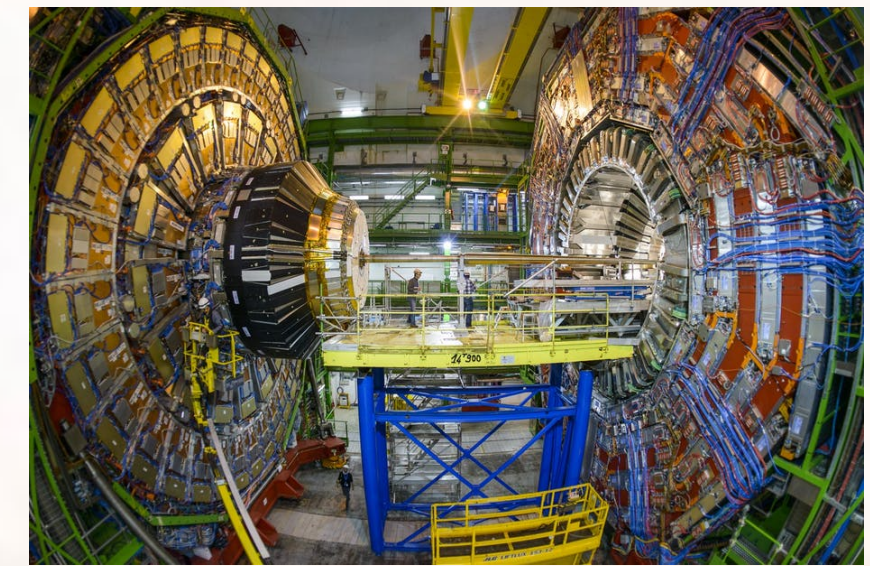
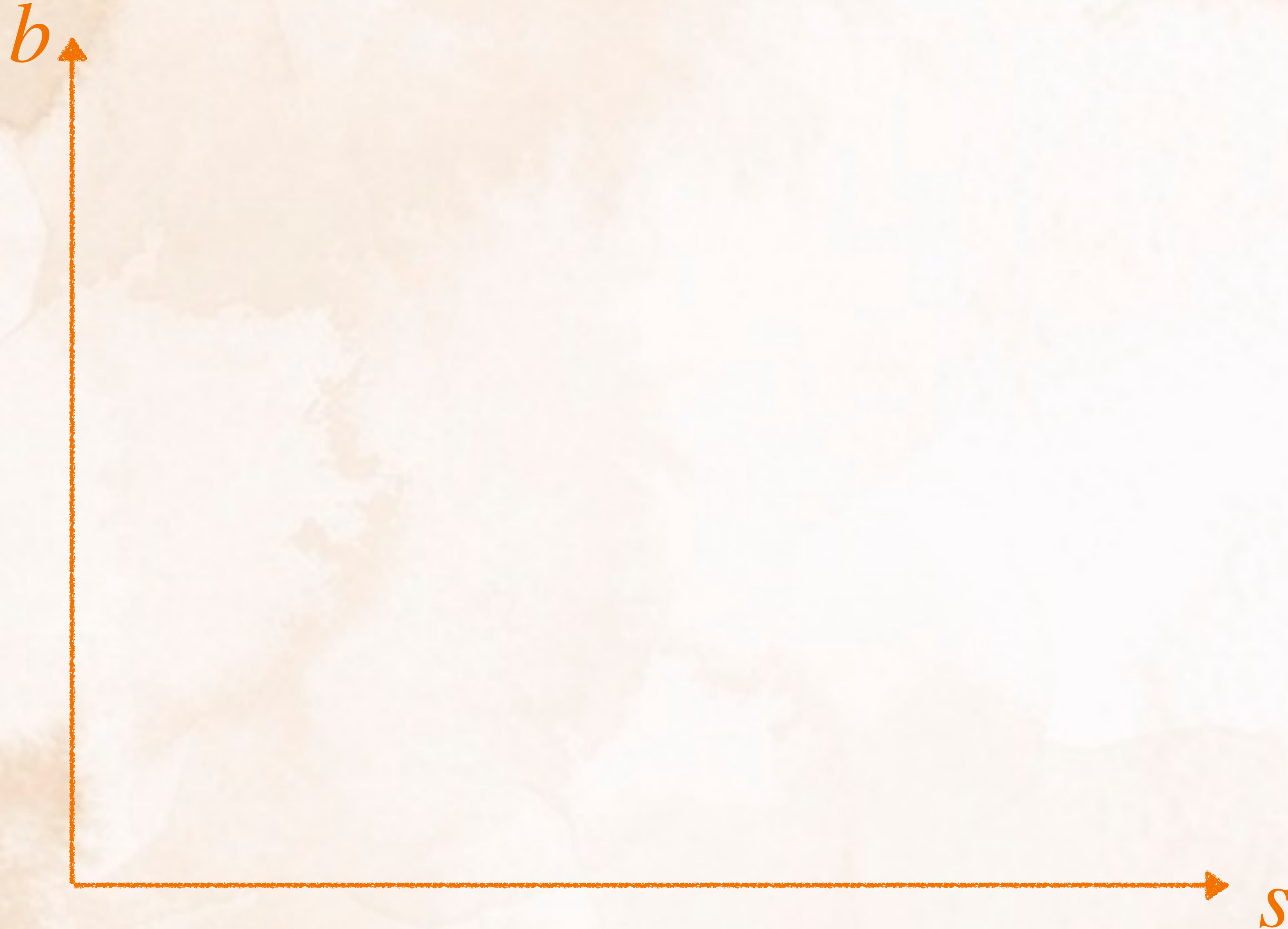
$$t \leftrightarrow b \quad \text{Impact parameter}$$



Validity of gravitational amplitudes

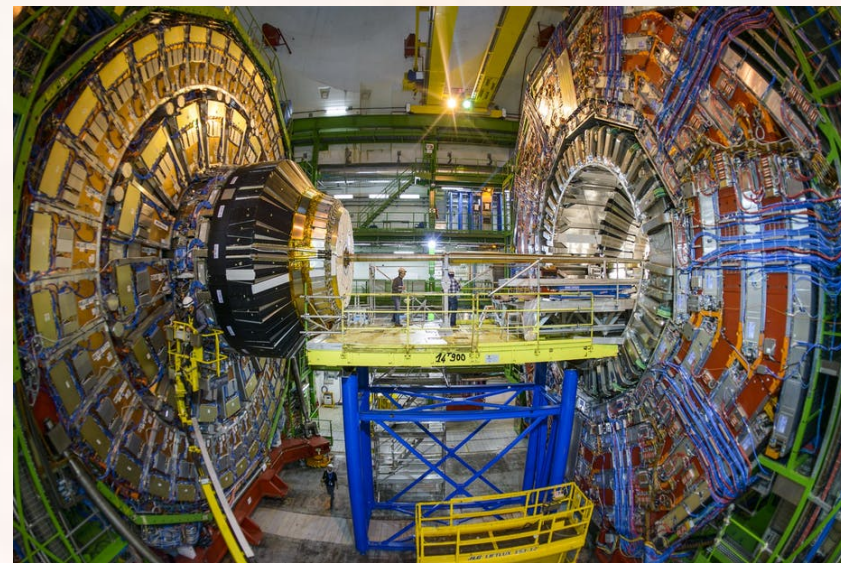


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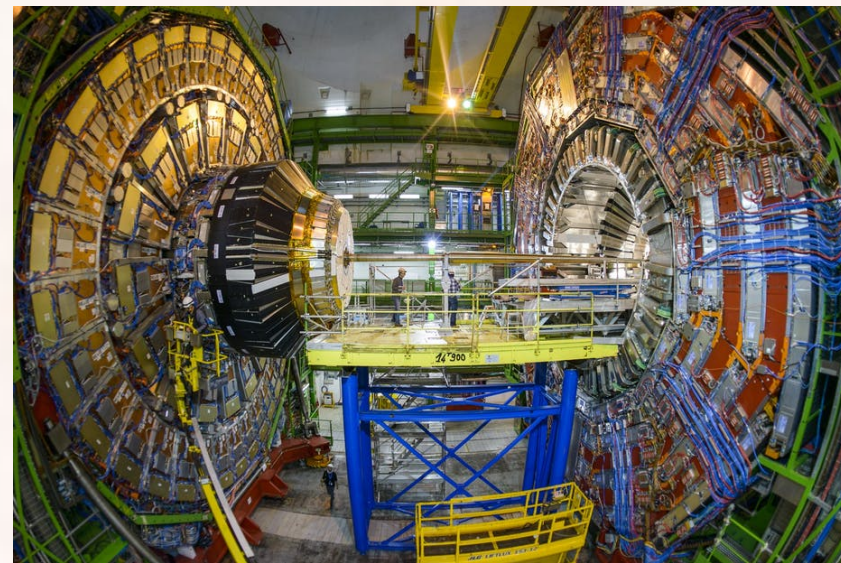
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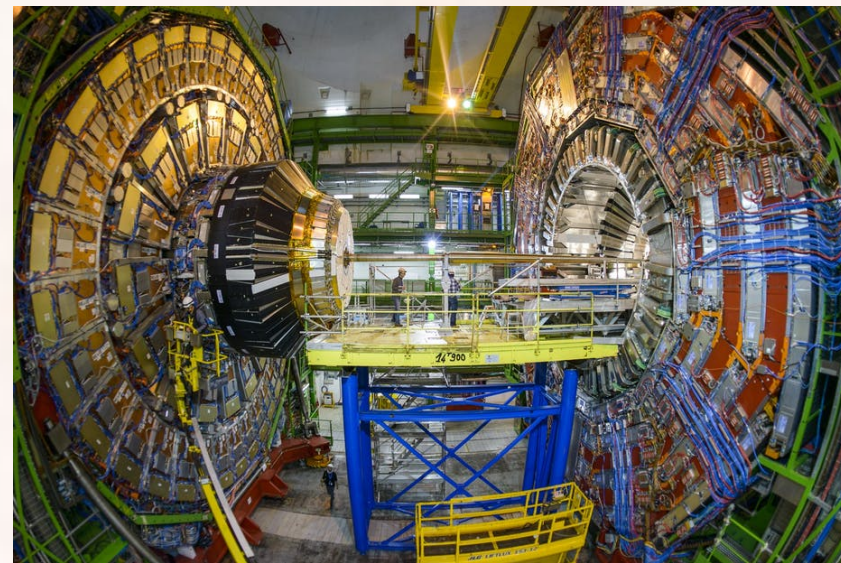
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A QFT approach to gravity

From GR to Feynman rules

$$S = \frac{M_{pl}^2}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} (R + \mathcal{L}_m)$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \boxed{h_{\mu\nu}}, \quad |h| \ll 1$$

I'm a graviton!

From R :

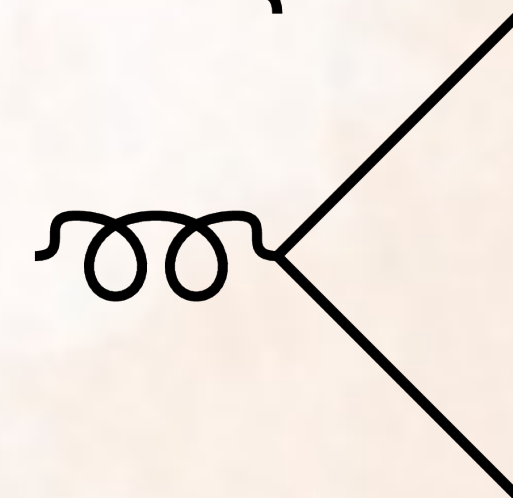
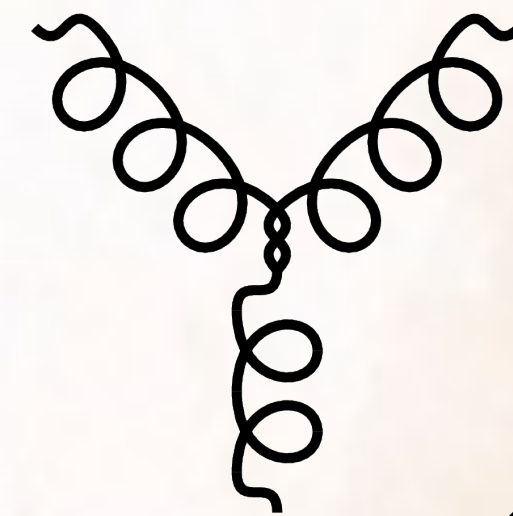
1. $\mathcal{O}(h^2)$ Kinetic term : $-\frac{1}{2} \partial_\alpha h_{\mu\nu} \partial^\alpha h^{\mu\nu} + \dots$

2. $\mathcal{O}(h^3)$ Couplings : $-\frac{1}{2} \partial_\alpha h_{\mu\nu} \partial^\alpha h^{\mu\nu} h + \dots$

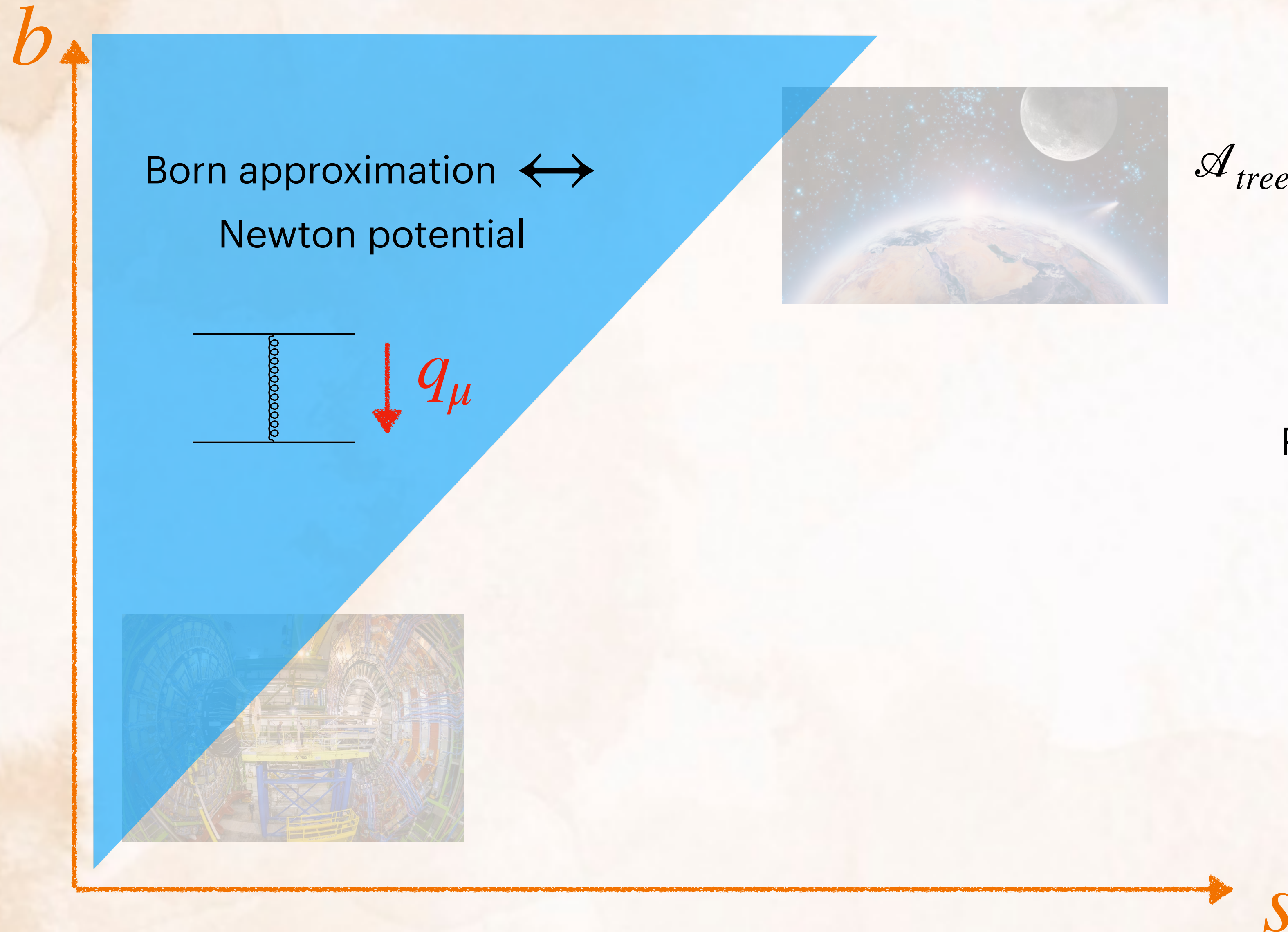
From matter :

$$g_{\mu\nu} \partial^\mu \phi \partial^\nu \phi = \partial^\mu \phi \partial_\mu \phi + \boxed{h_{\mu\nu} \partial^\mu \phi \partial^\nu \phi}$$

*Gravitational
interaction*



Validity of gravitational amplitudes



$$\mathcal{A}_{tree}(s, t) = \overline{\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}} = \int \delta_0(s, b) e^{-i\vec{b} \cdot \vec{q}} d^2b$$

$$= F[\delta_0(s, b)]$$

Phase shift:

$$\delta_0(s, b) = \int \mathcal{A}_{tree}(q^2, t) e^{i\vec{b} \cdot \vec{q}} d^2q$$

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(string theory, ...)

and black hole
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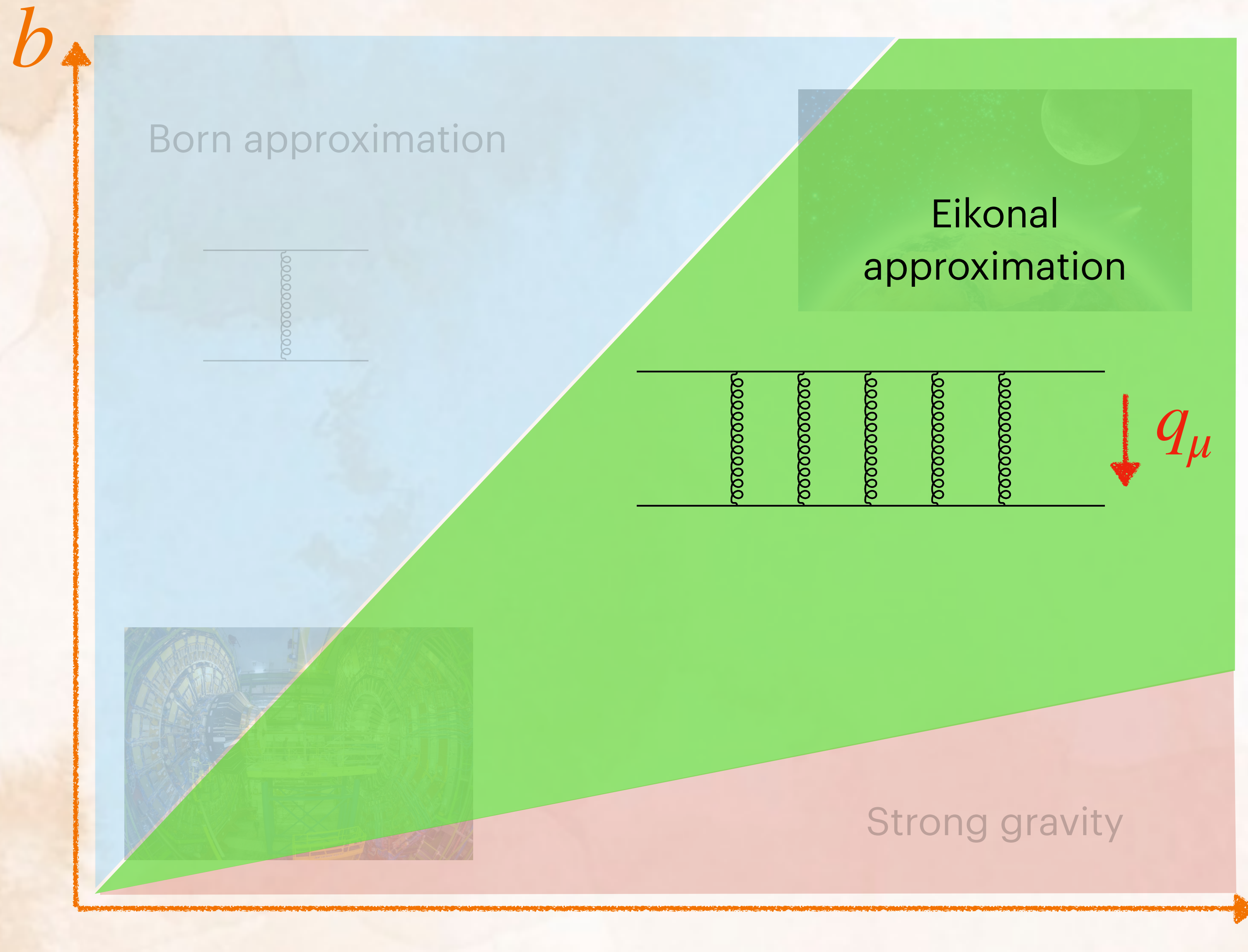
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Strong gravity

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$$t \ll s$$

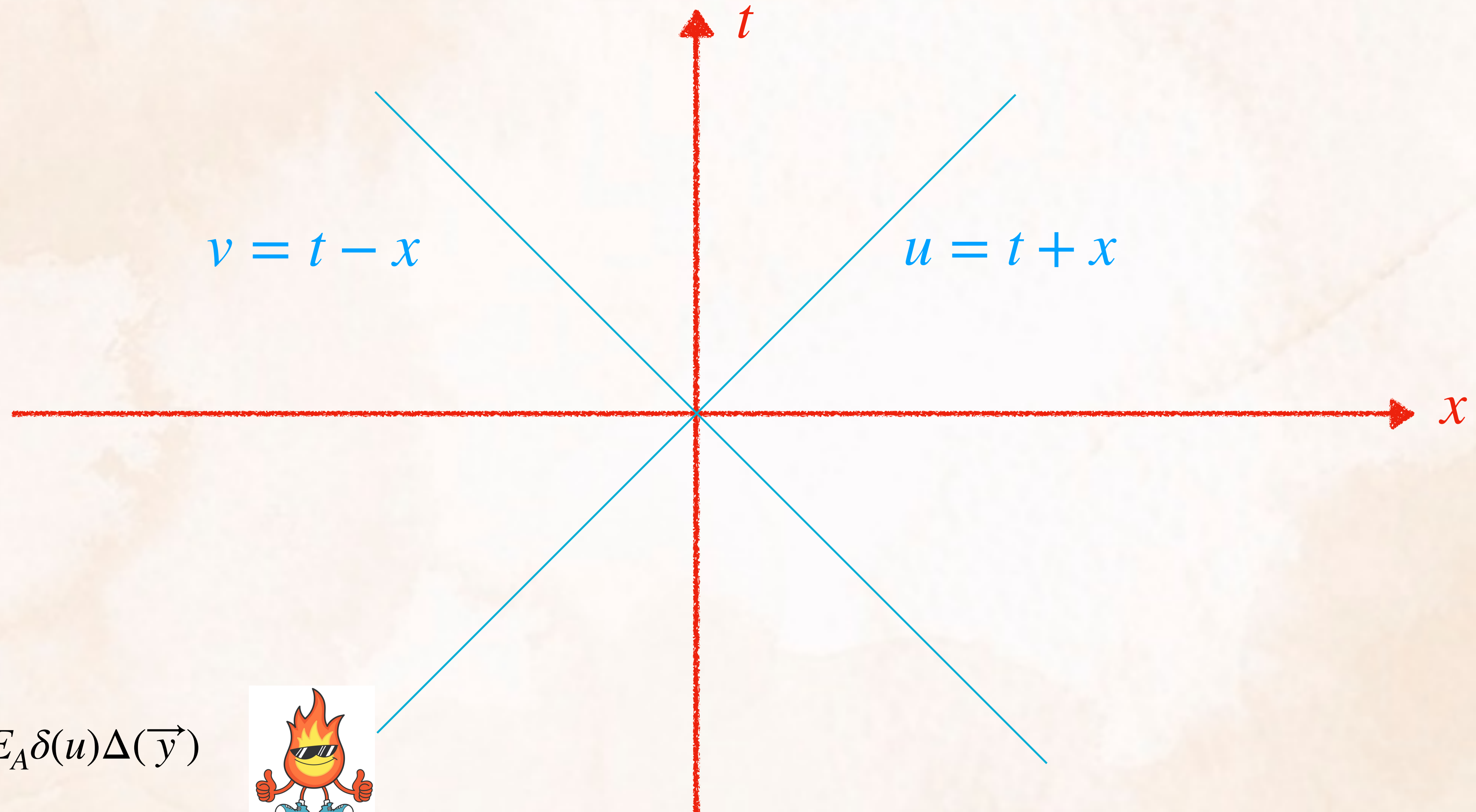
$$\mathcal{A}_{eik}(s, t) =$$

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$$= F[i\delta_0(s, b) + \frac{(i\delta_0(s, b))^2}{2!} + \frac{(i\delta_0(s, b))^3}{3!} + \dots]$$

$$= \int [e^{i\delta_0(s, b)} - 1] e^{-i\vec{b} \cdot \vec{q}} d^2b$$

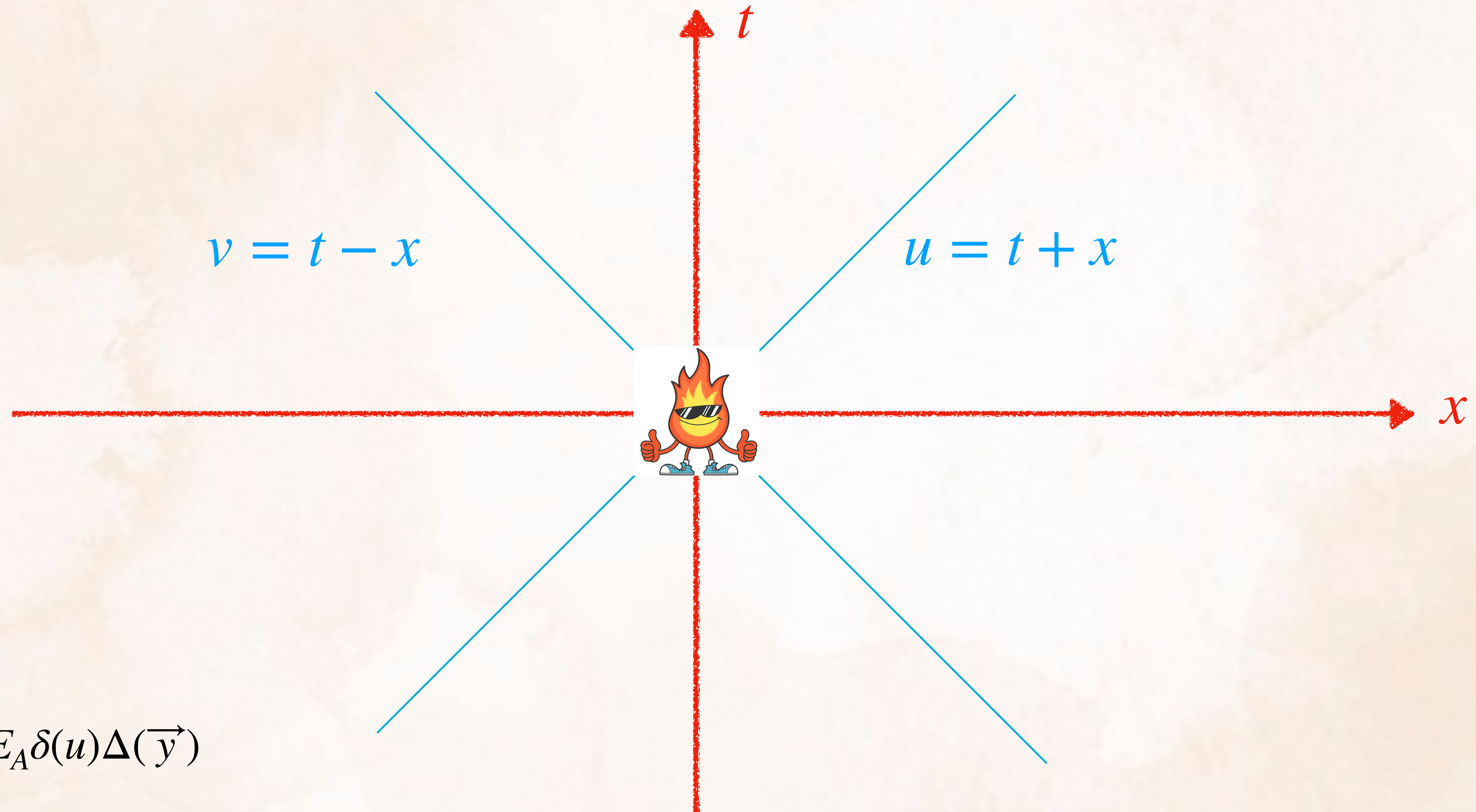
Physical meaning of the phase-shift



$$T_{\mu\nu} = E_A \delta(u) \Delta(\vec{y})$$

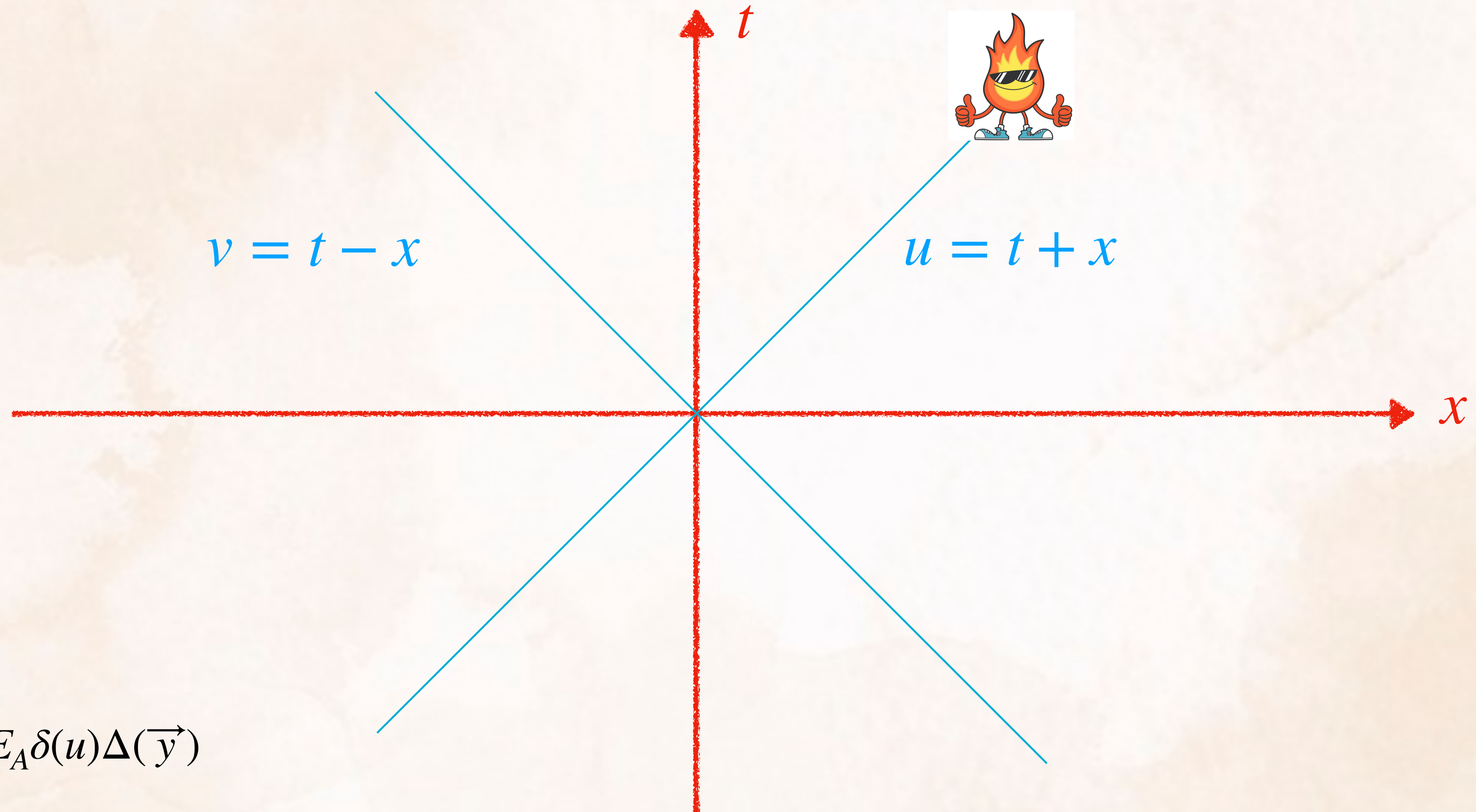


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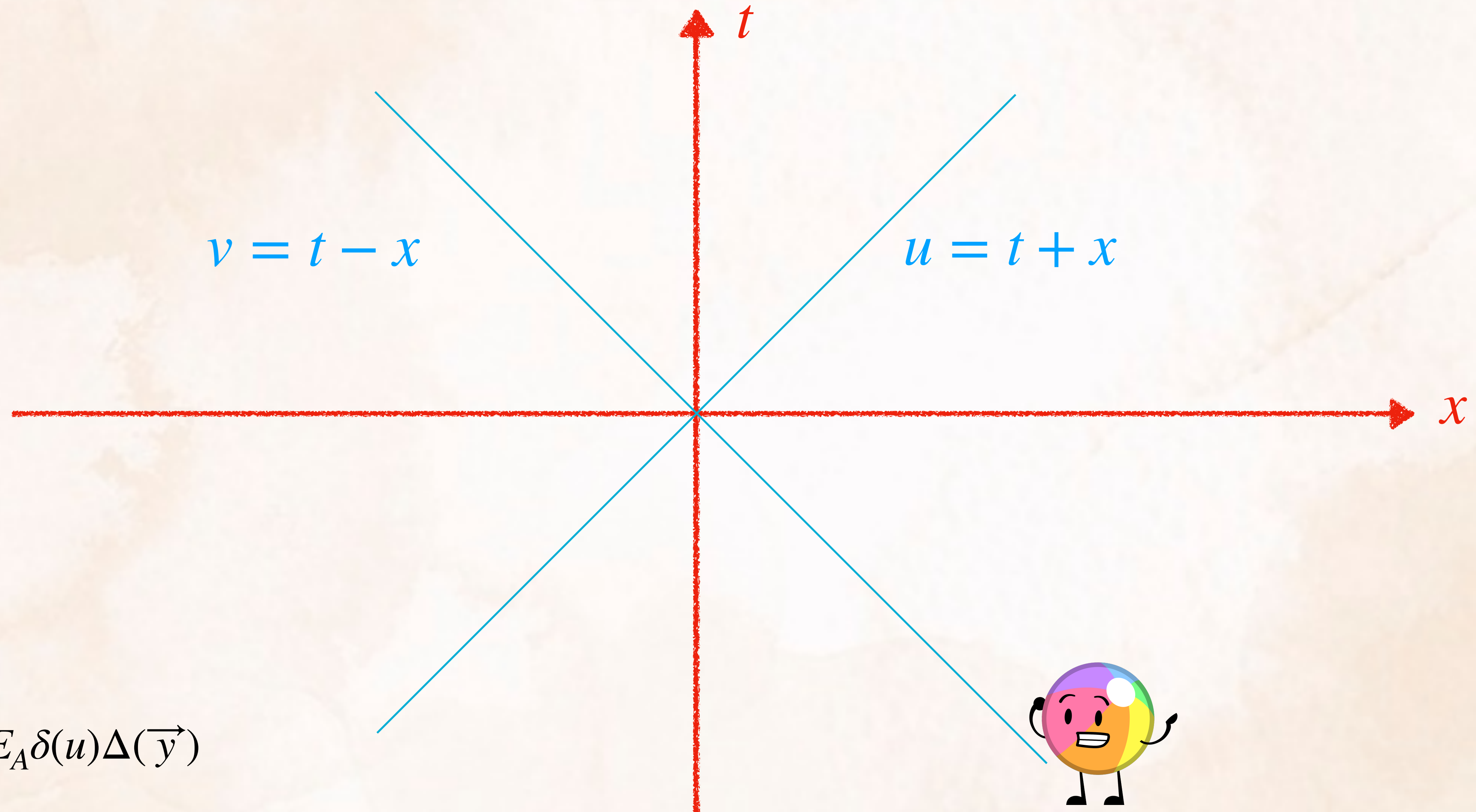
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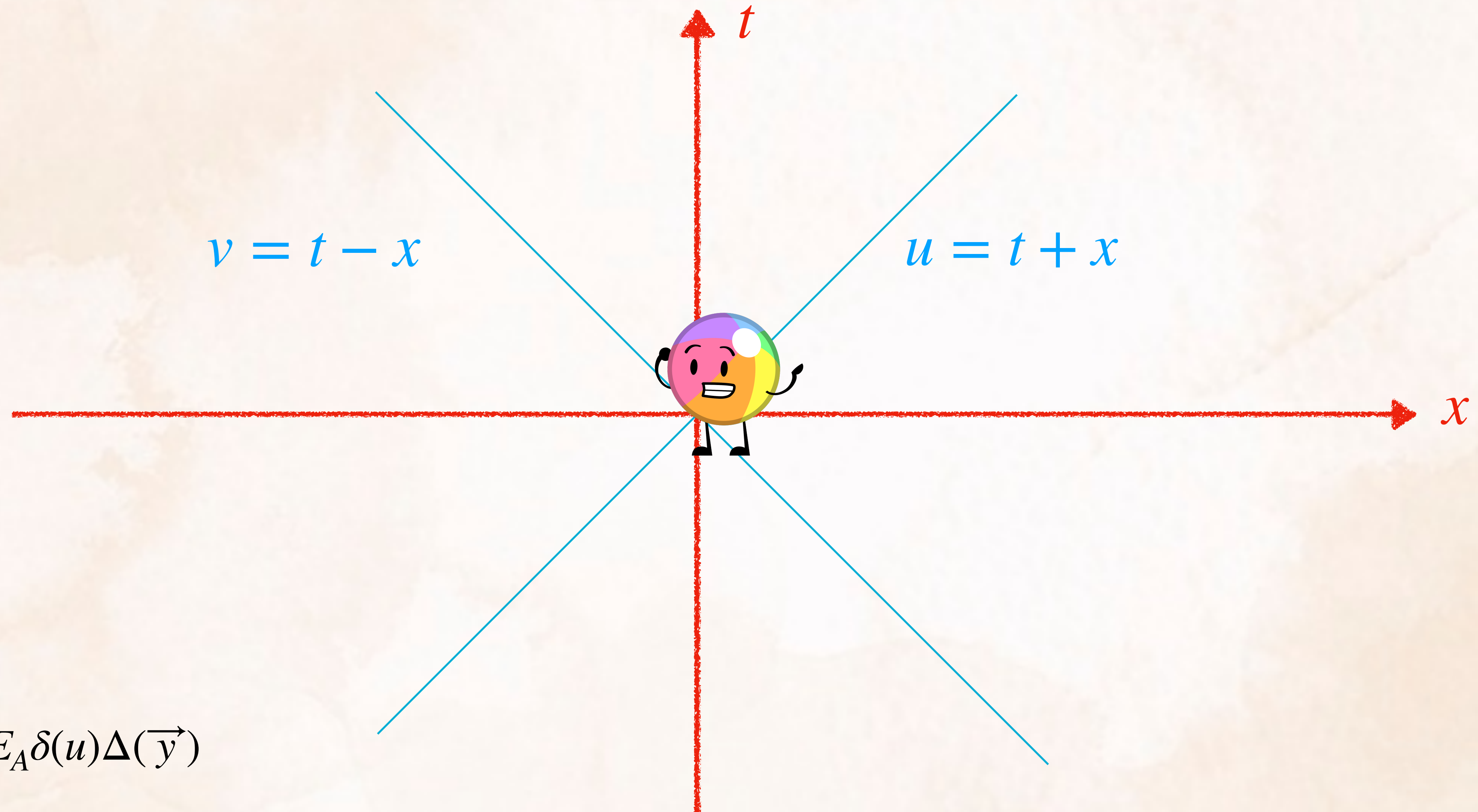
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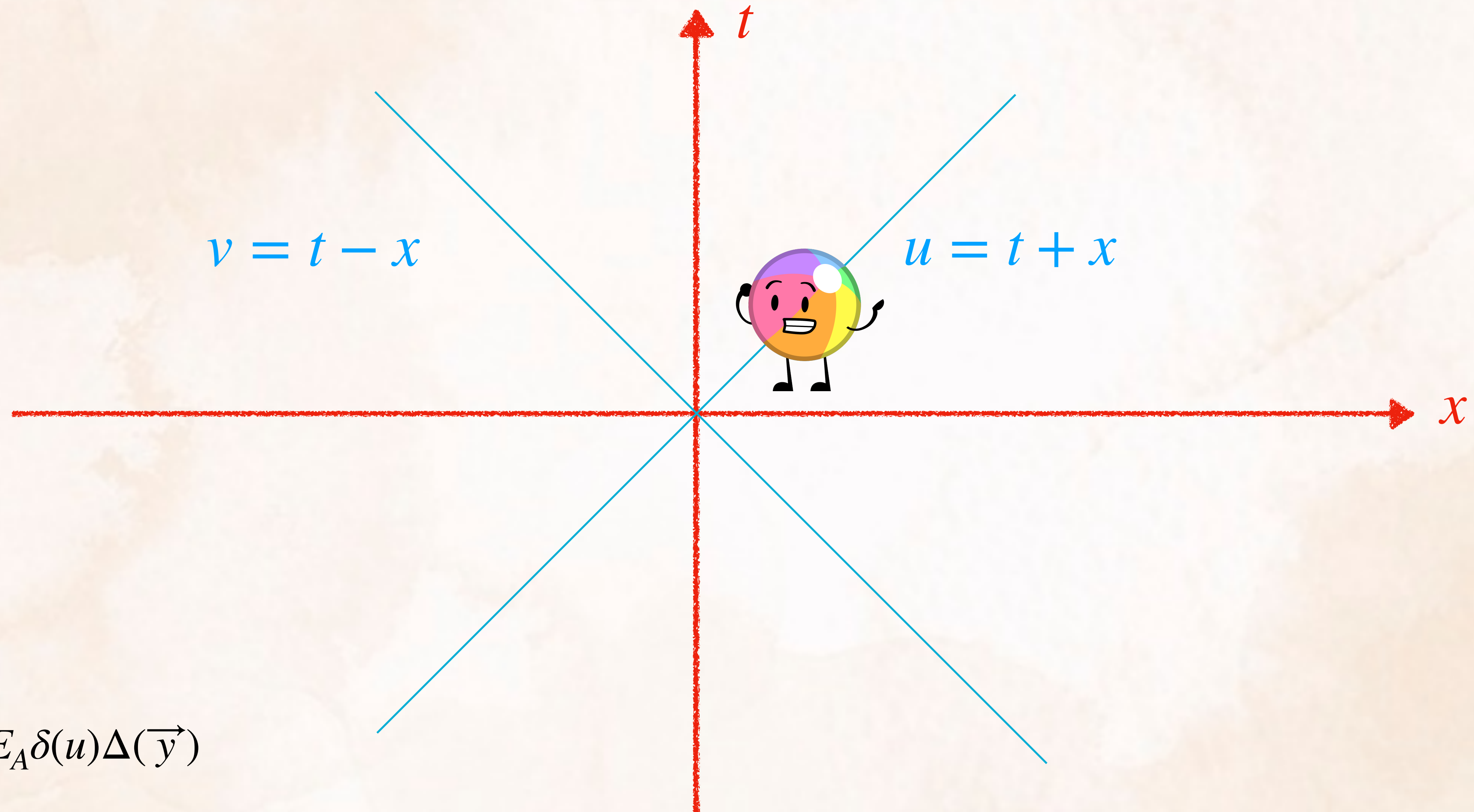
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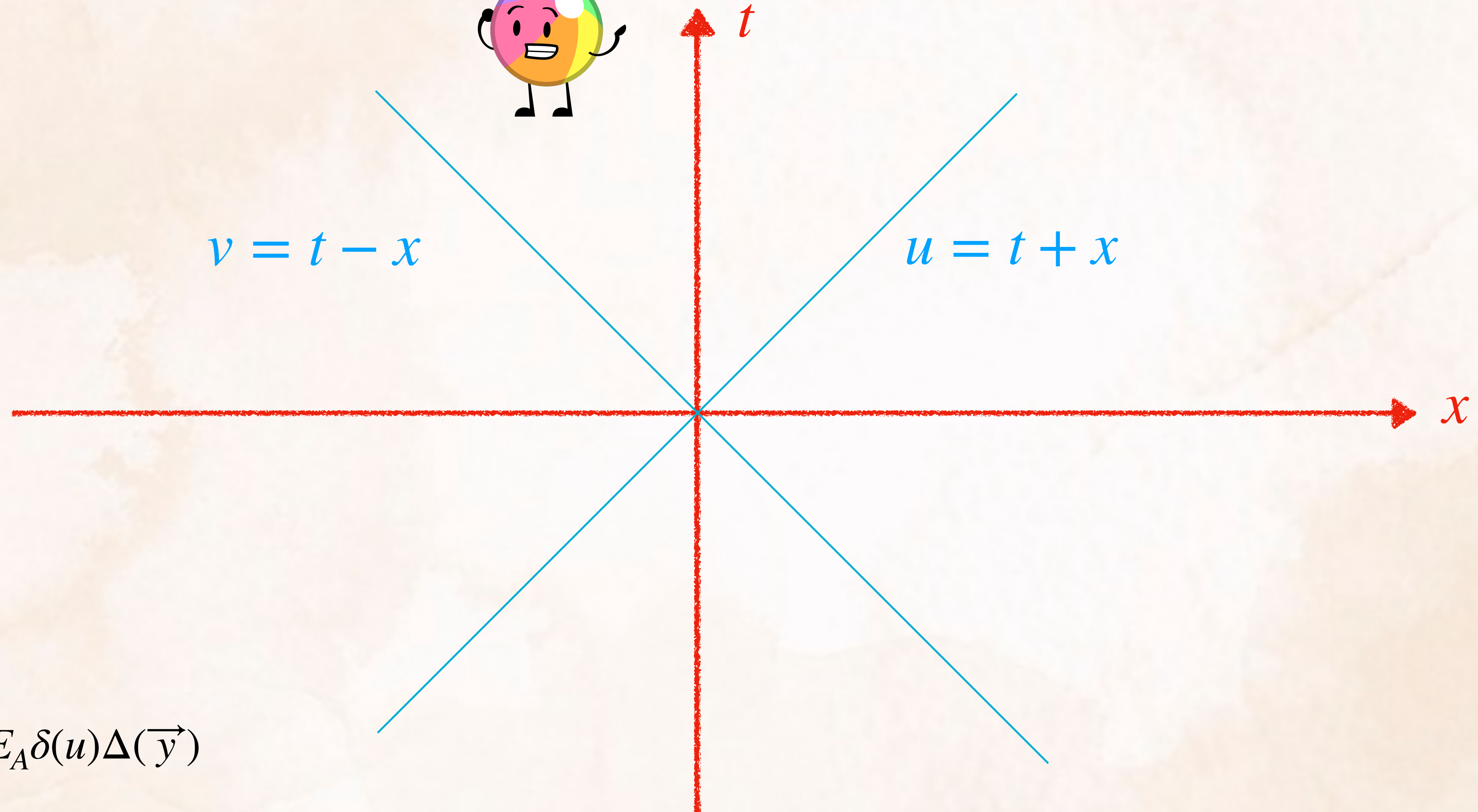
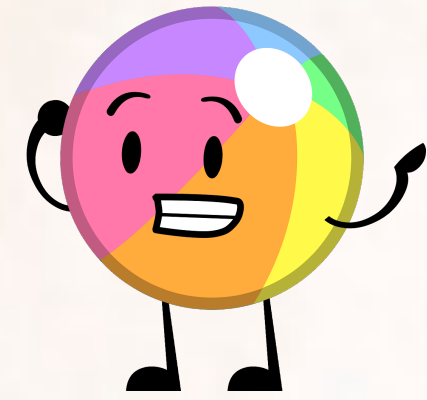
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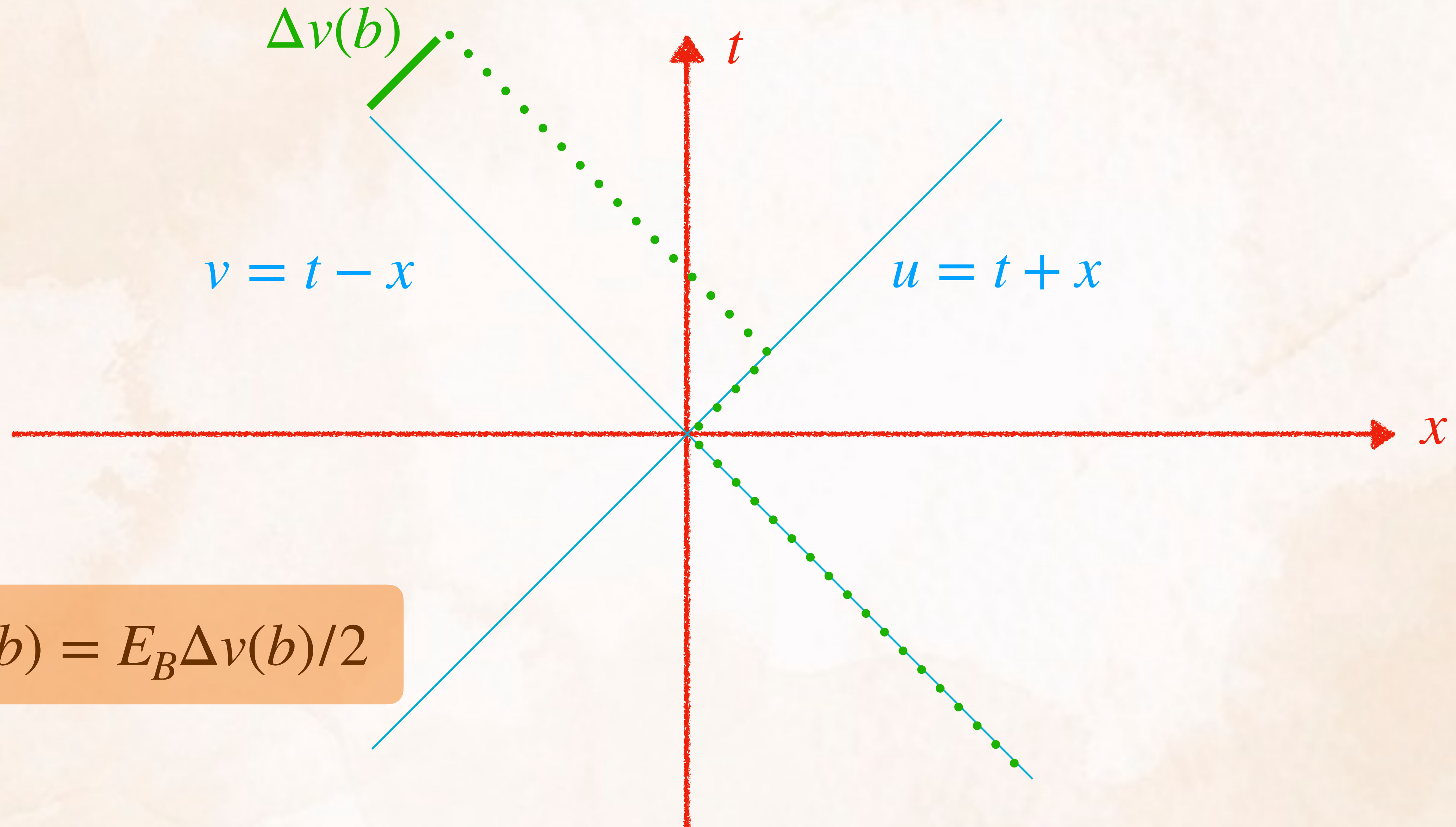
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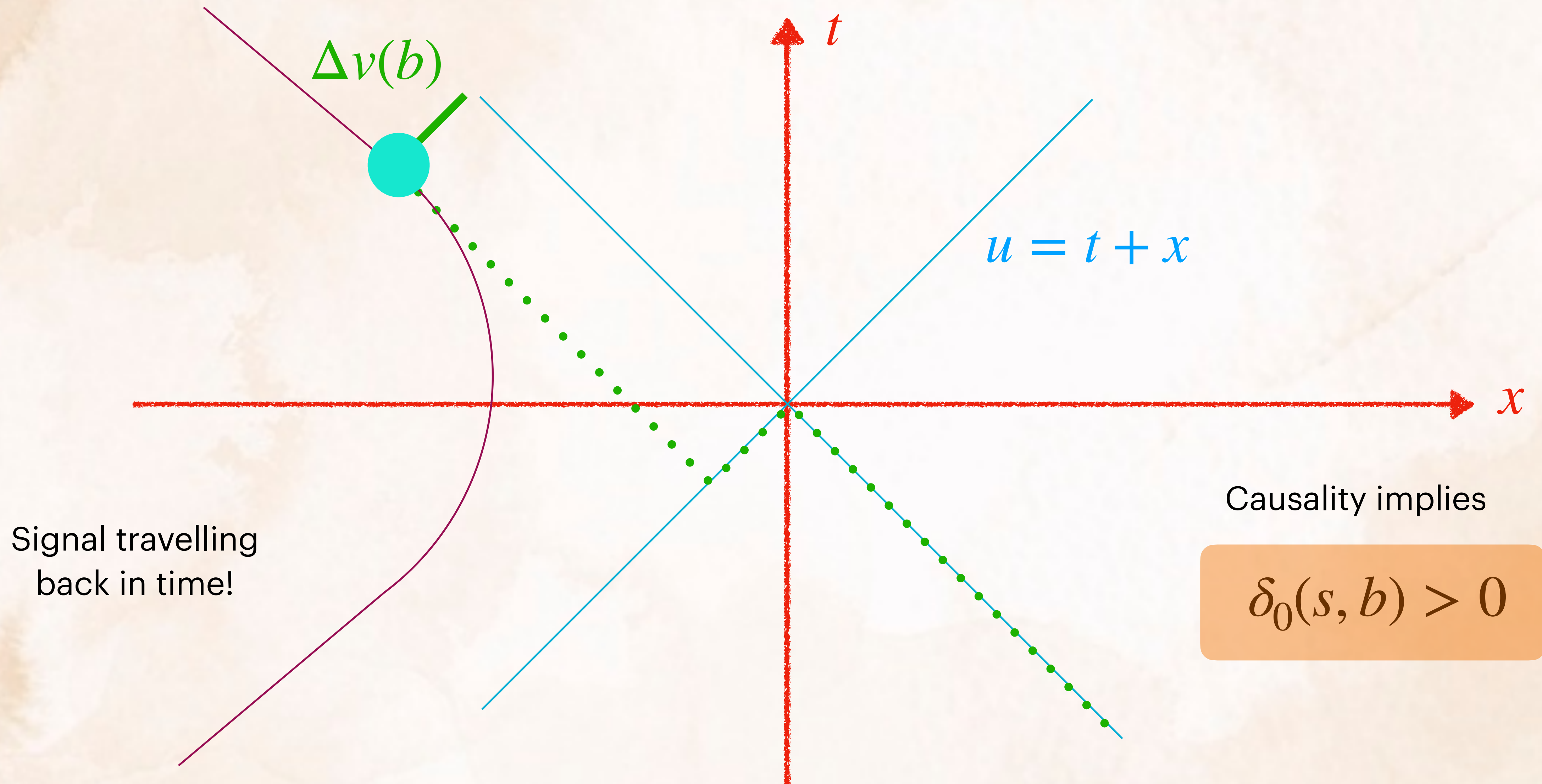
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$$\delta_0(s, b) = E_B \Delta v(b) / 2$$

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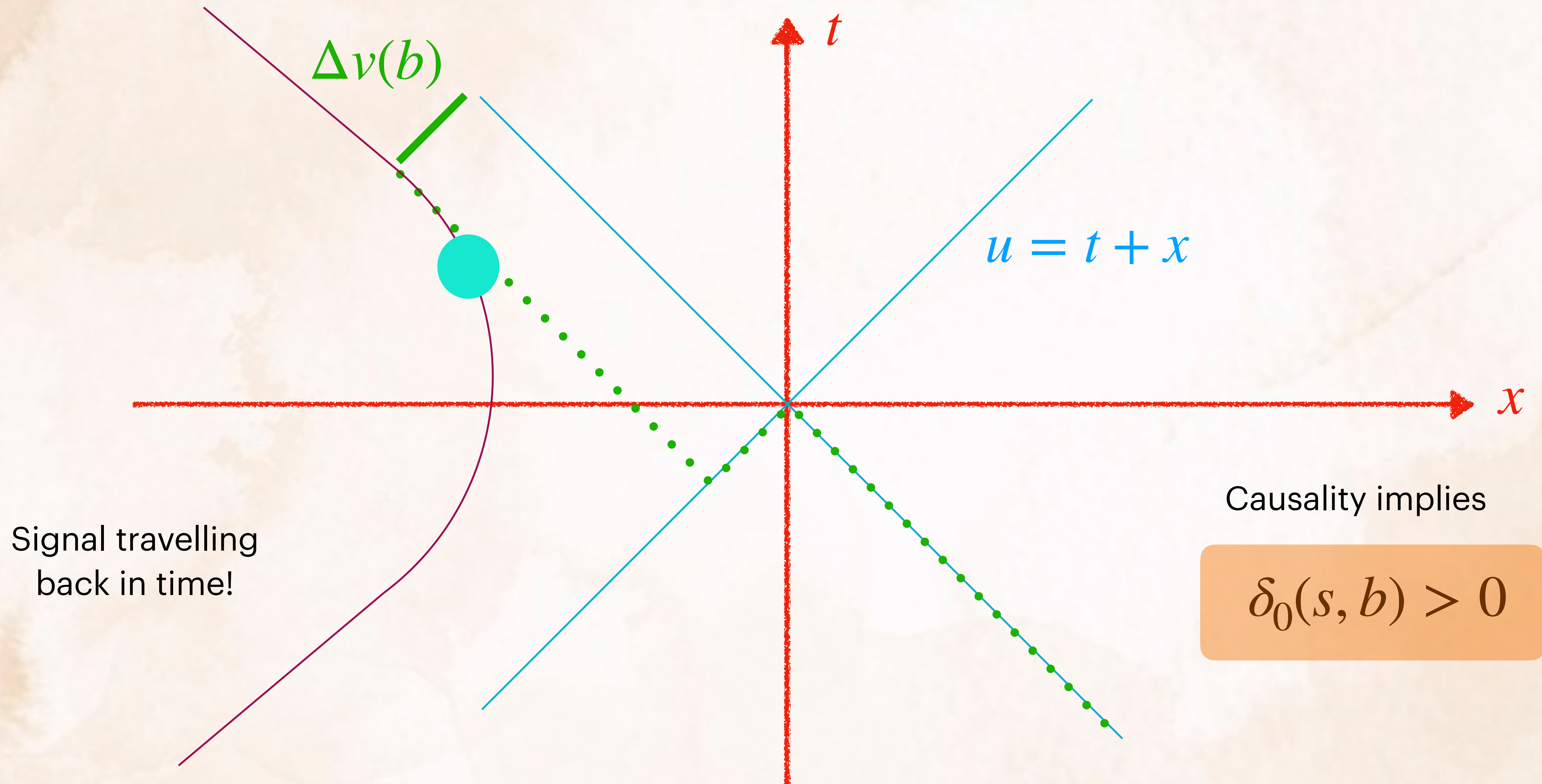


Signal travelling
back in time!

Causality implies

$$\delta_0(s, b) > 0$$

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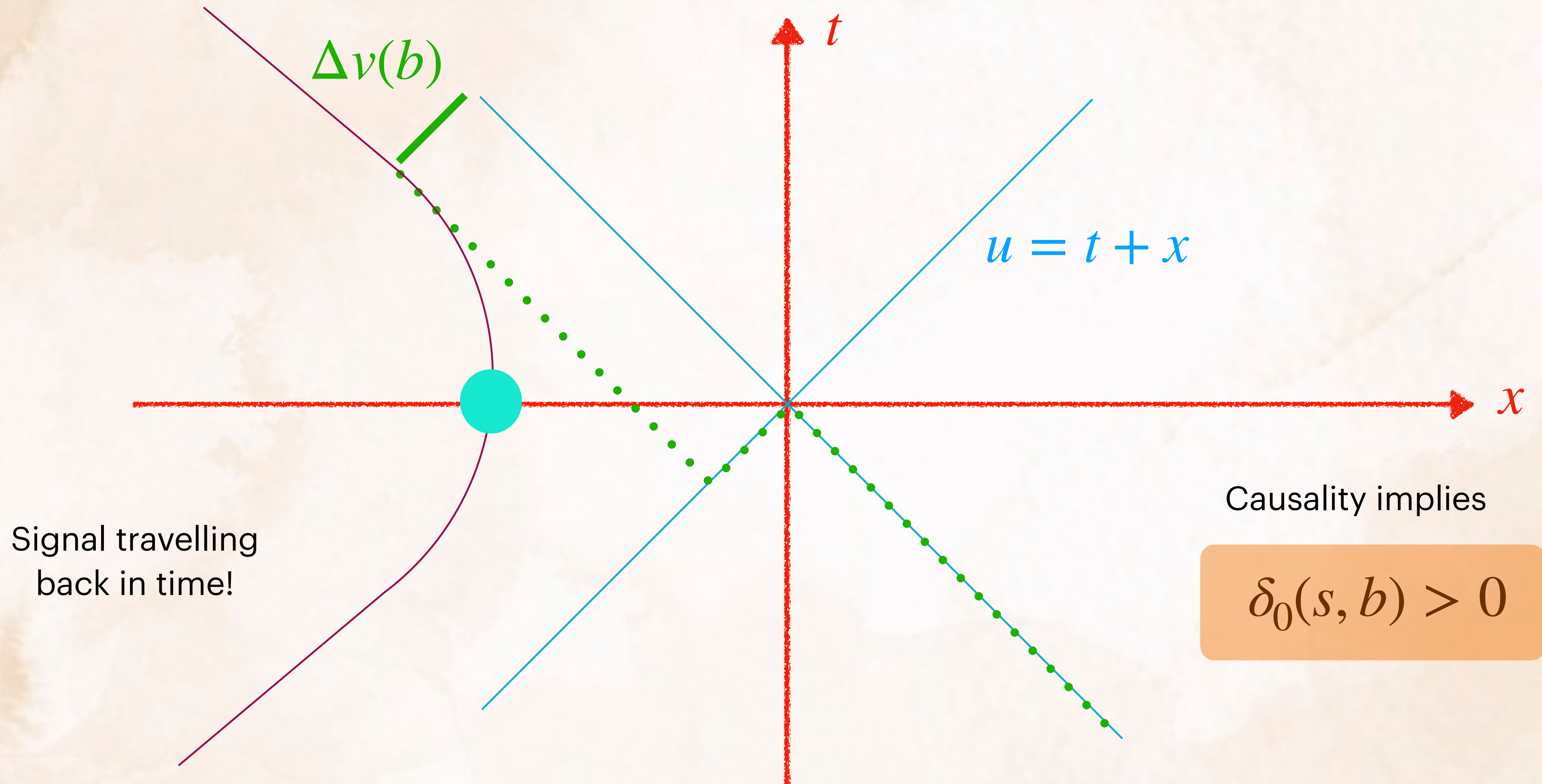


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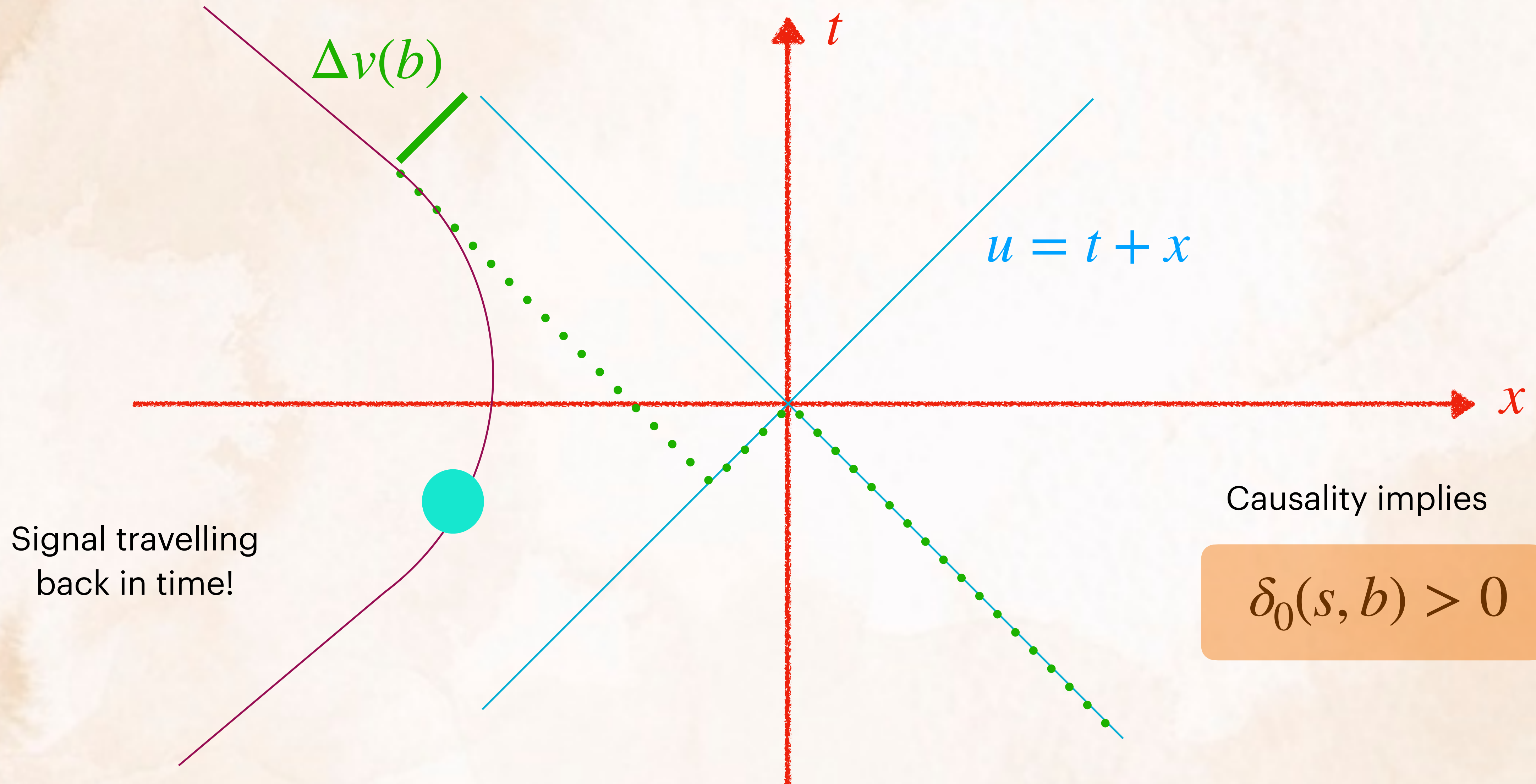
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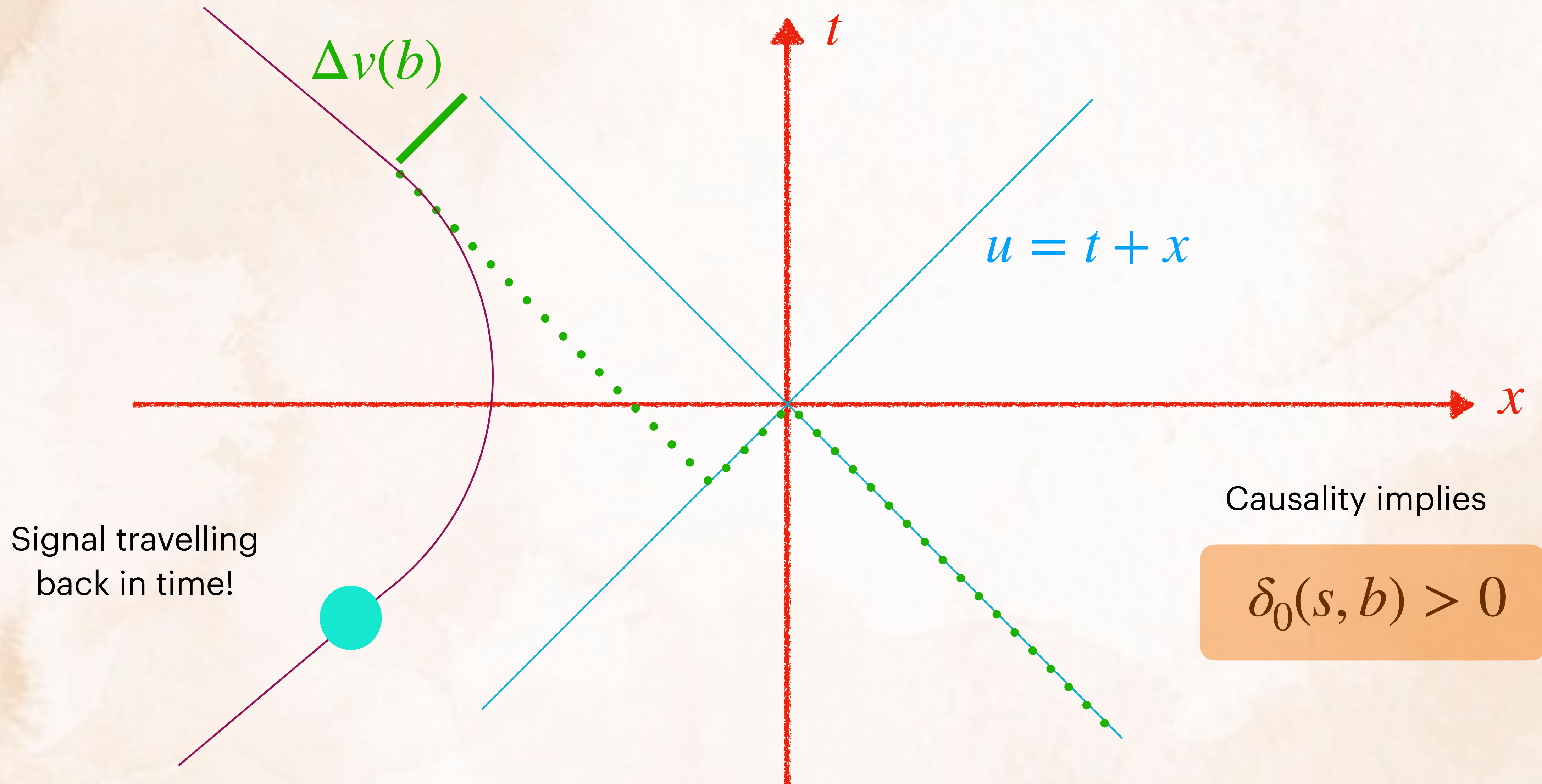


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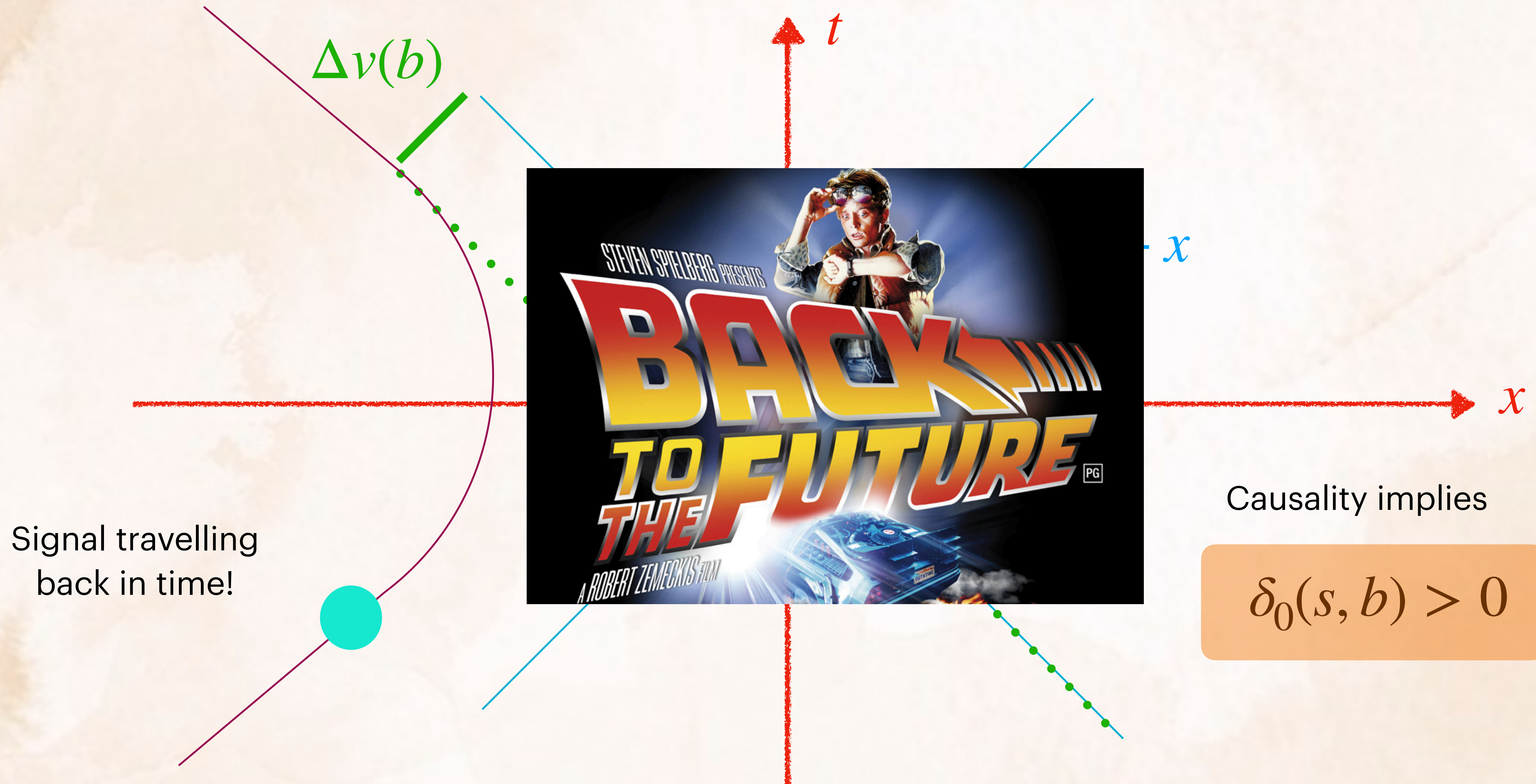
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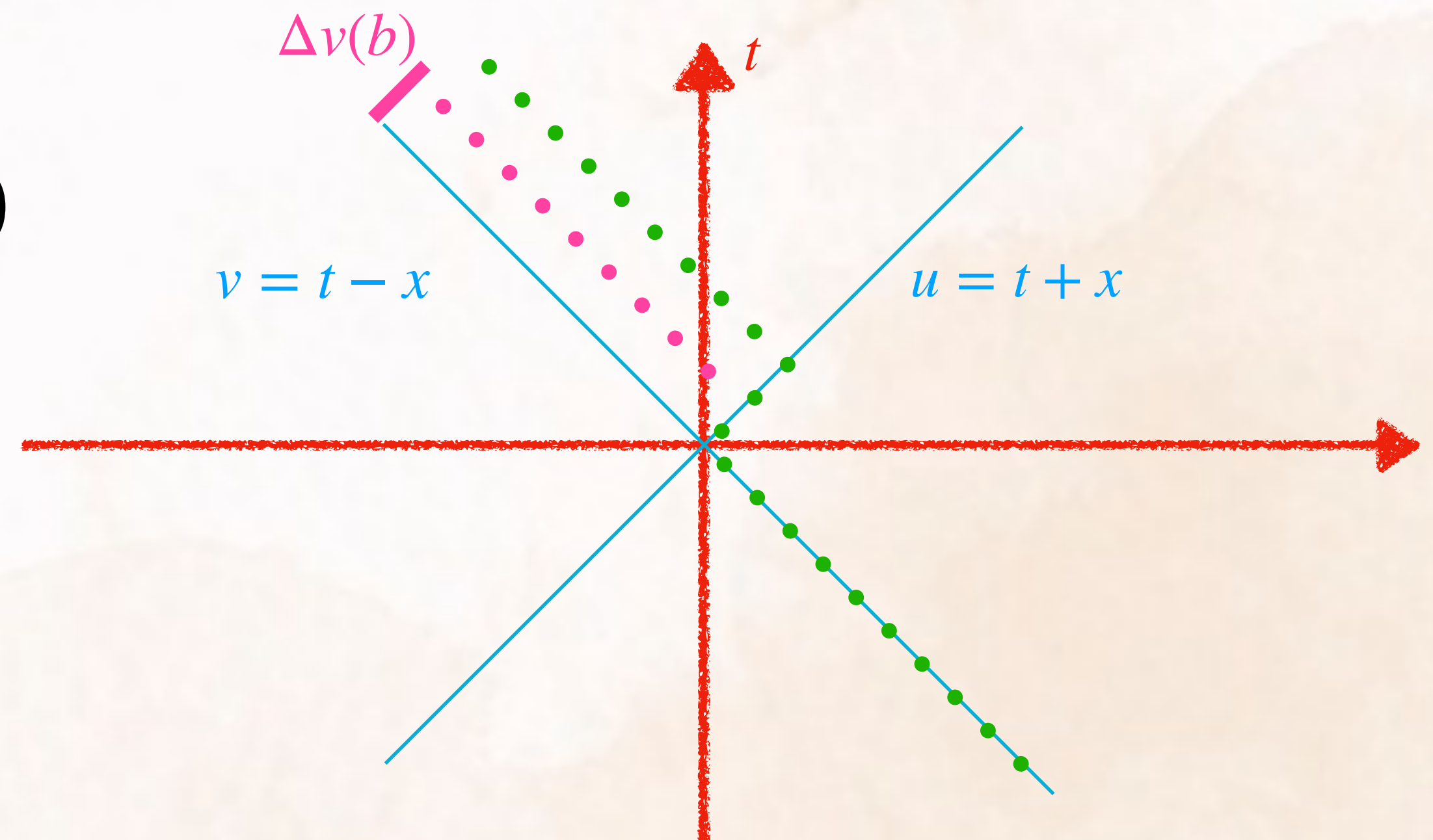
Effect of higher order terms

Following the EFT philosophy

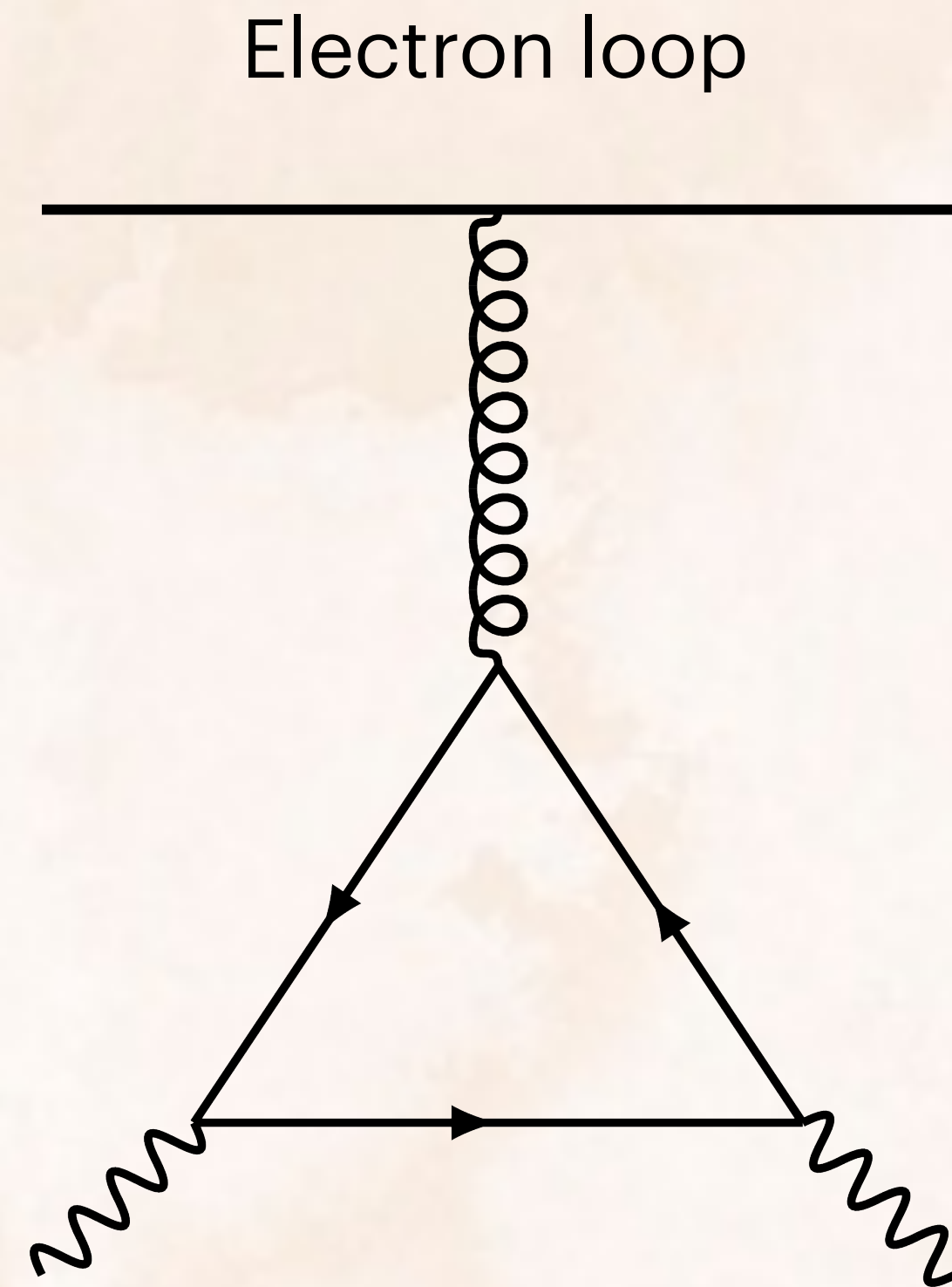
$$S = \frac{M_{pl}^2}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} (R + \mathcal{L}_m + \alpha R_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} R^{\mu\nu\sigma\rho} R^{\alpha\beta}_{\sigma\rho} + \dots)$$

$$\delta(s, b) = \delta_0(s, b) + \alpha \delta_{R^3}(s, b) > 0$$

We can constraint the Wilson coefficients and learn something about quantum gravity!



What I'm working on



$$\delta_{new}(s, b)$$



Hopefully learn something !

$$\frac{1}{b_{min}} \sim \Lambda < me^{1/\alpha}$$

Thank you !