

# Seven roads to time-frequency



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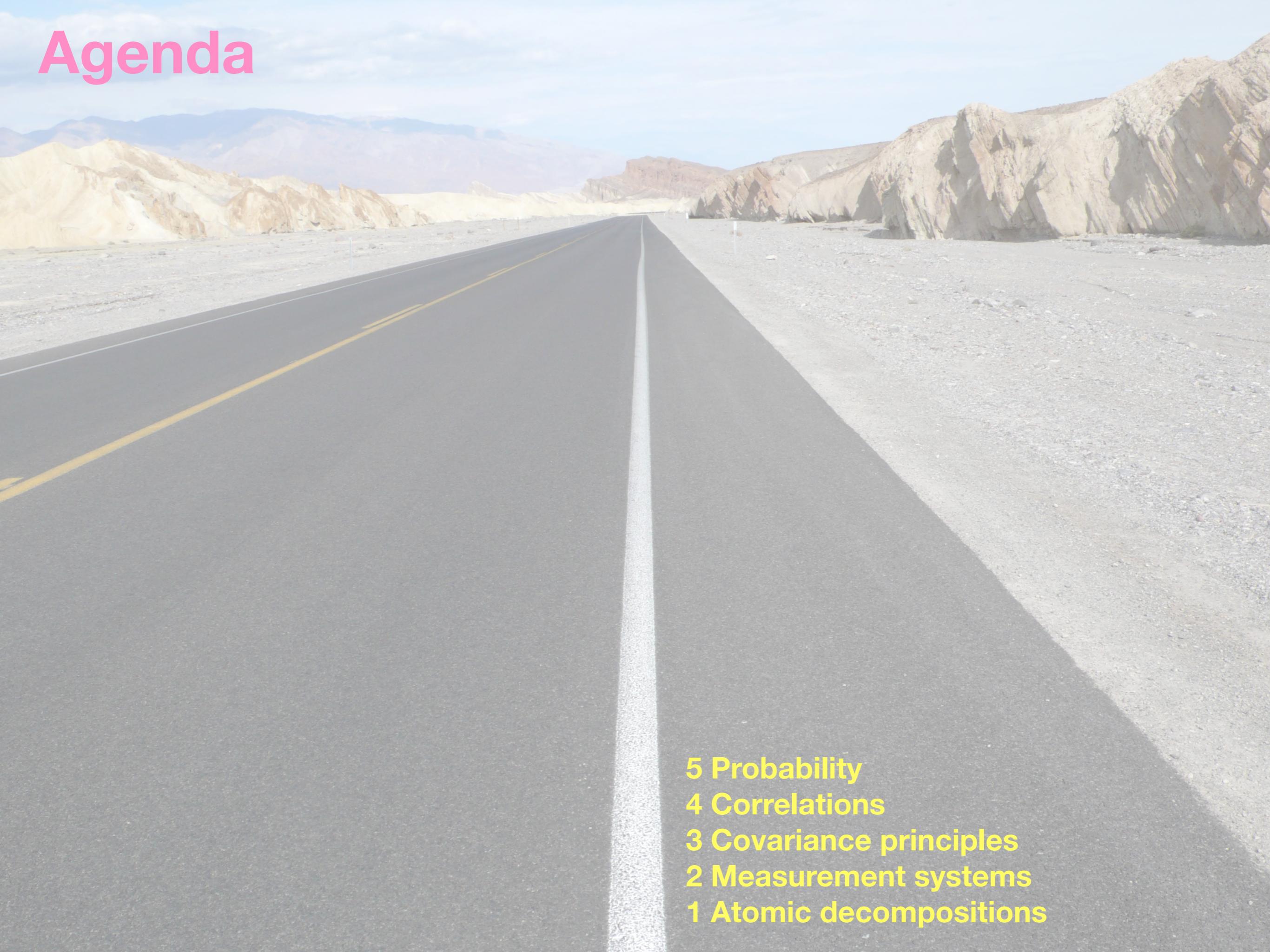
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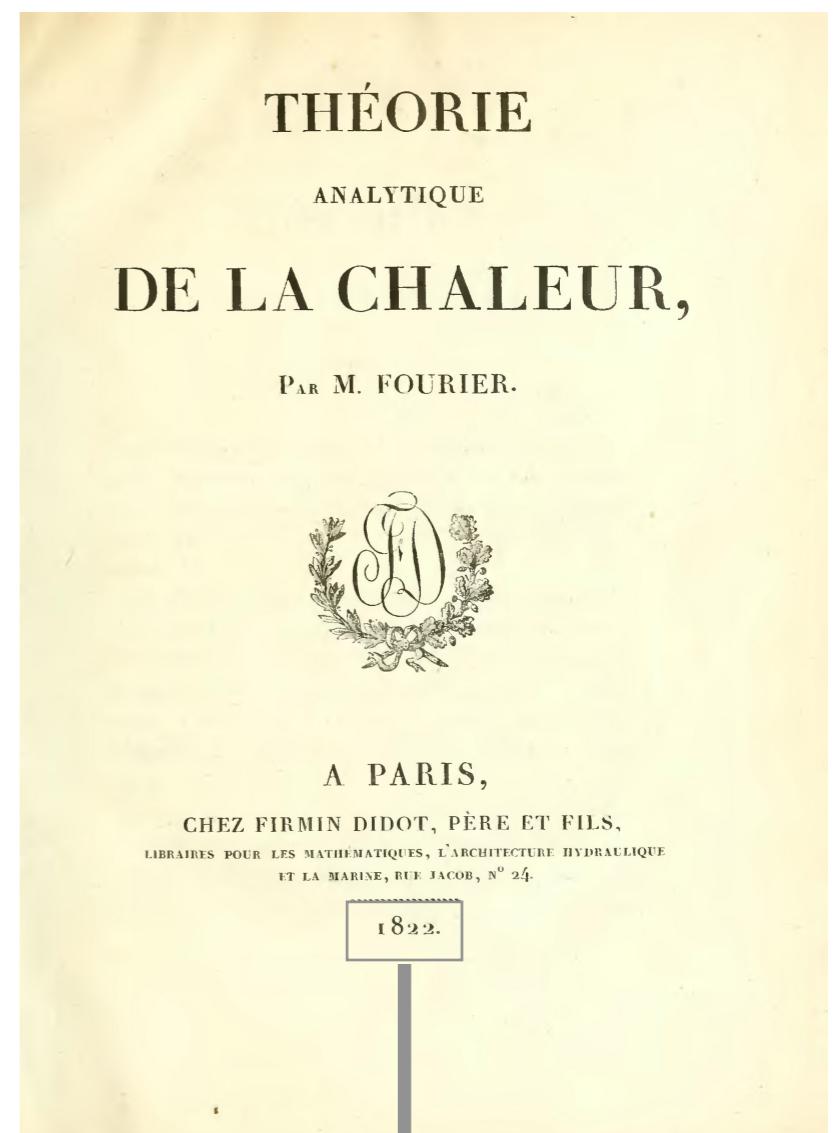
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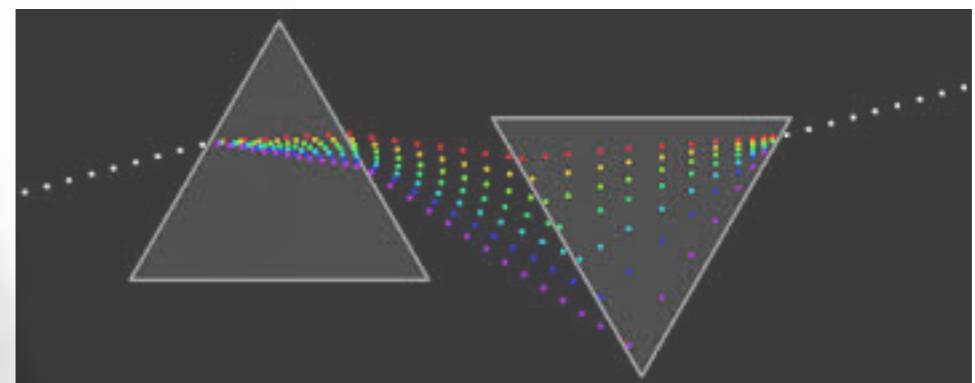
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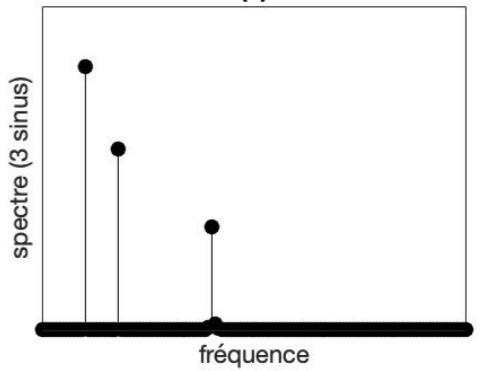
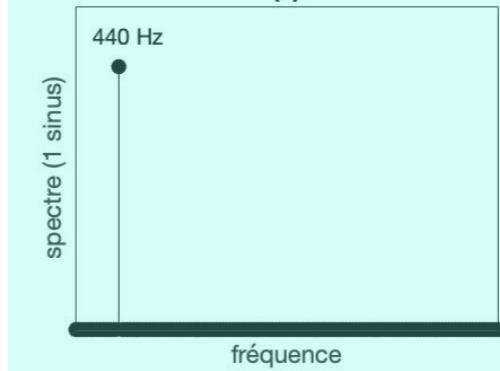
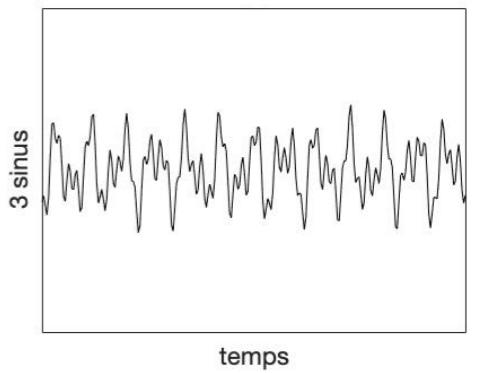
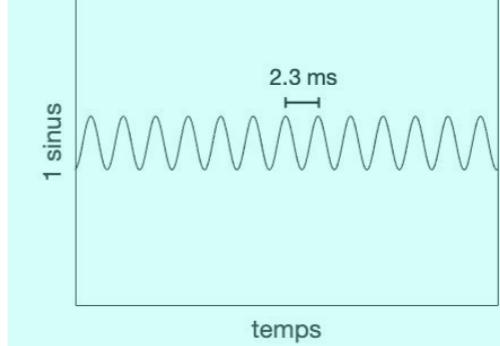
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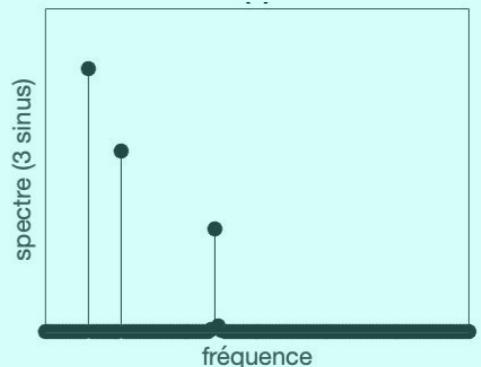
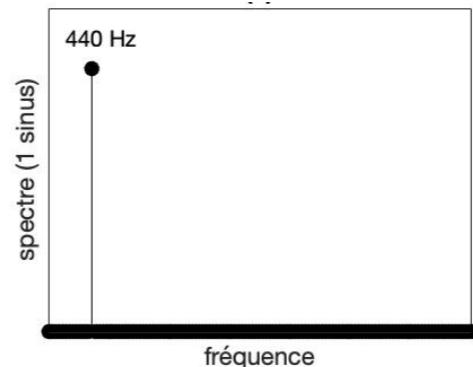
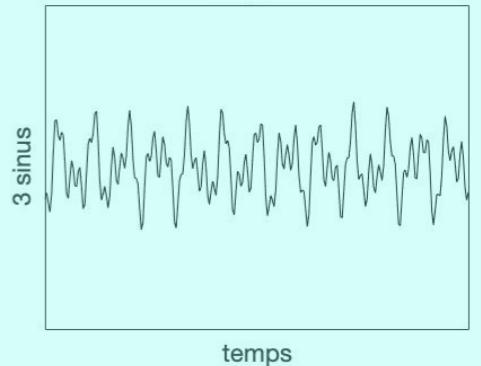
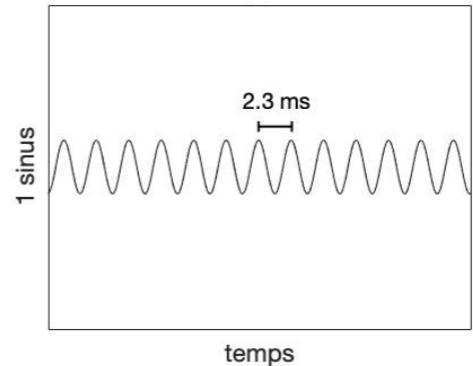


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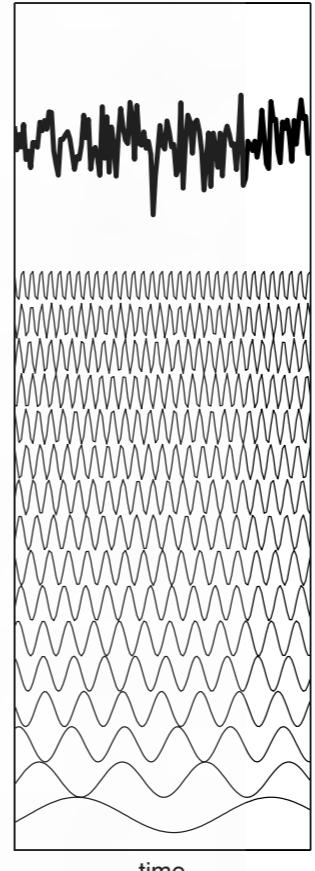


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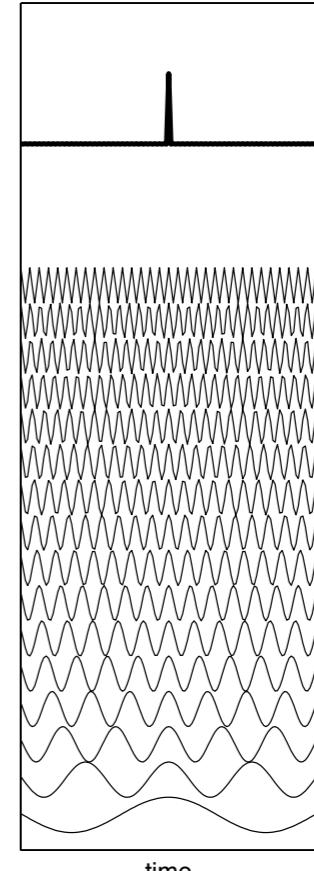


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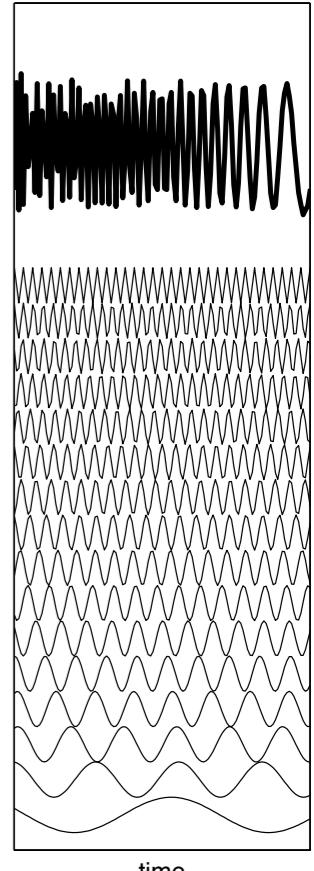
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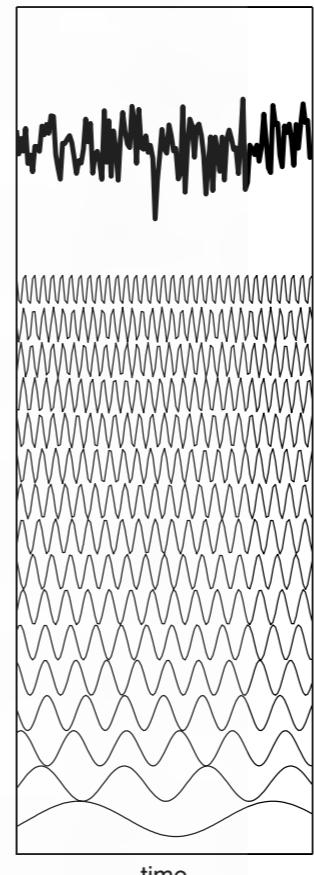


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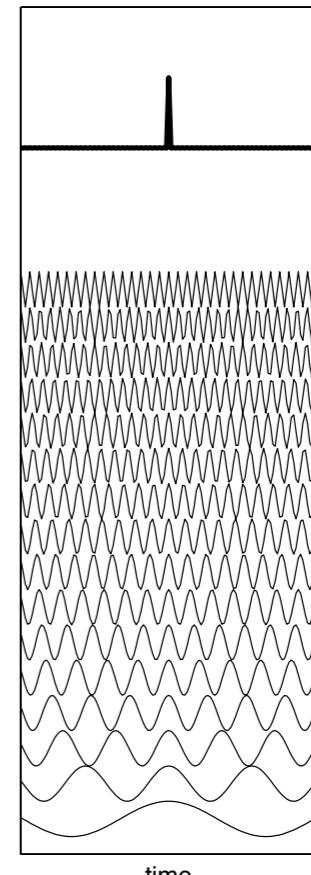


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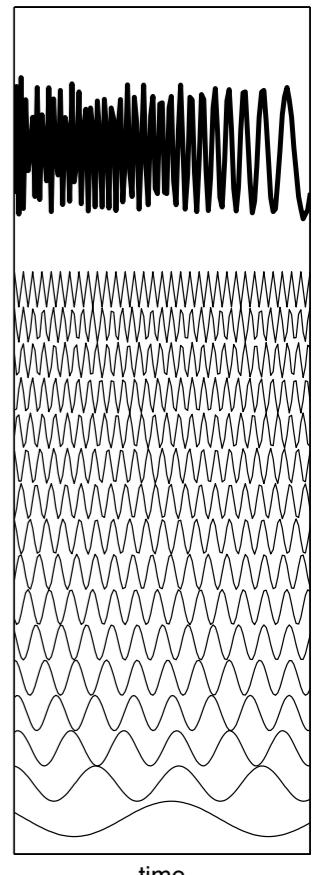
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Maths ✓  
Physics ??

« If we consider a fragment [of music] containing many components (which is the least that one should ask) and one note, *la* (A) for example, appears once in the fragment, the harmonic analysis will present us with the amplitude and the phase of the corresponding frequency, without locating the time point of the *la*. And yet, it is obvious that in the course of the fragment there will be instants where the *la* will not be heard. Nevertheless, the representation is mathematically correct, because the phase of the notes near the *la* acts to destroy this note by interference when *la* is not heard, and to reinforce it, also by interference, when it is heard; but if there exists in this concept a cleverness which does justice to mathematical analysis, there is also a distortion of reality; in fact, when *la* is not heard, the true reason is that *la* is not emitted. »

J. Ville (1948)

# Fourier 2.0



Boulez  
1946

**Lent**  $\text{♩} = 58$

*p* *ff* *mf*

The musical score consists of four staves of music. The top staff is treble clef, the bottom staff is bass clef. Measure 1 starts with a dynamic *p*. Measure 2 contains a sharp symbol and a fermata. Measure 3 has a dynamic *ff*. Measure 4 ends with a dynamic *mf*. Various slurs, grace notes, and accidentals are present throughout the score.

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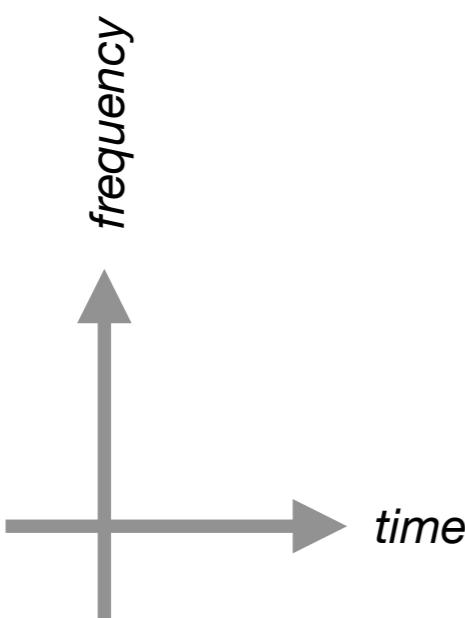
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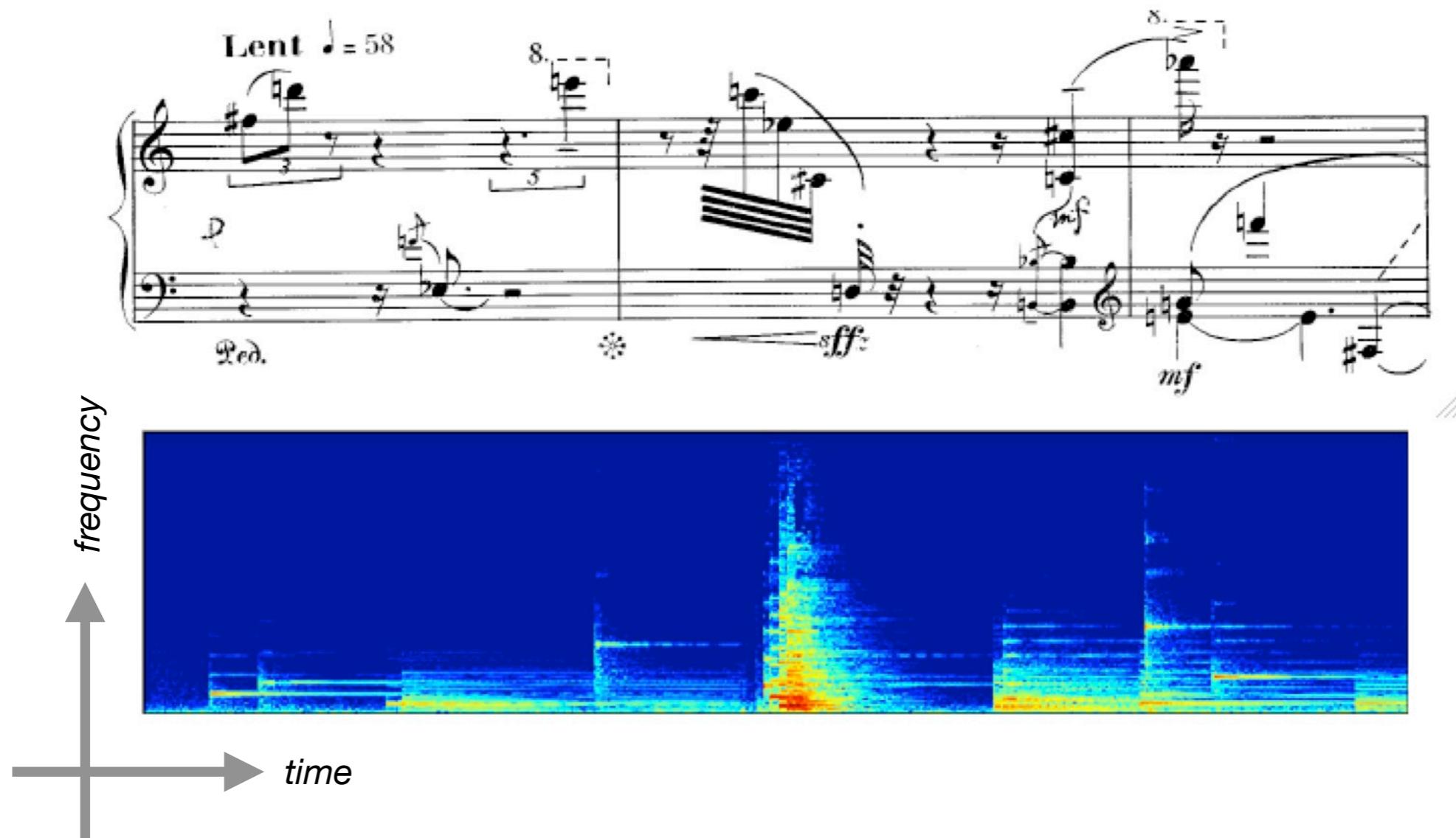
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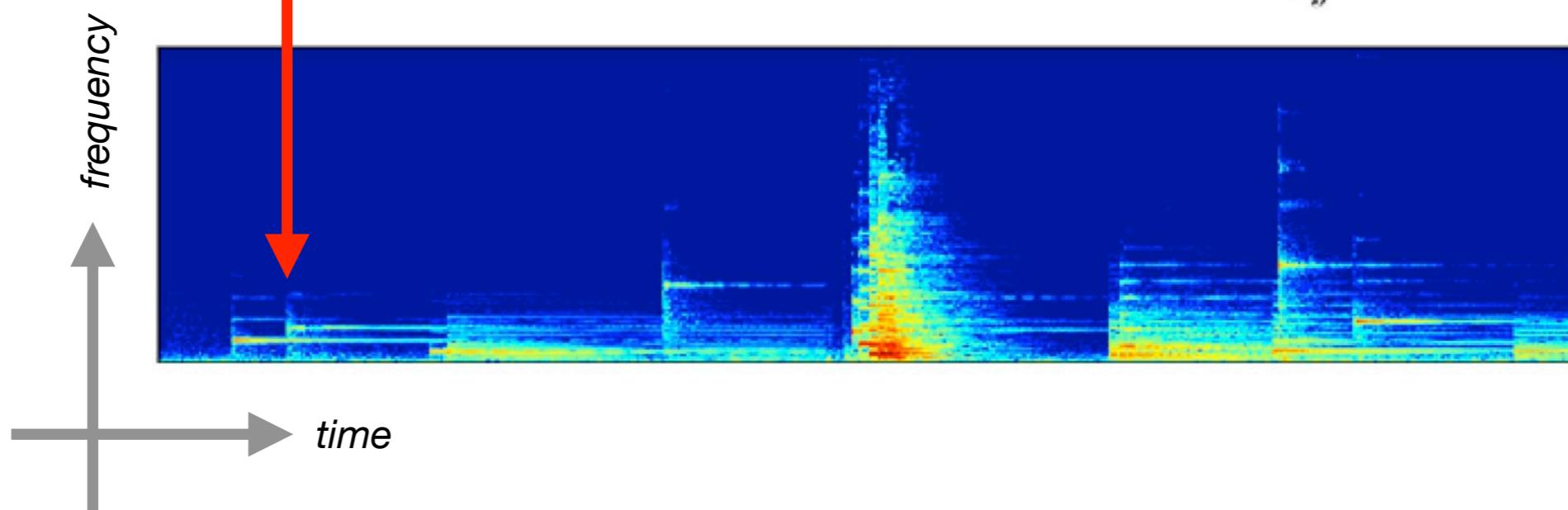
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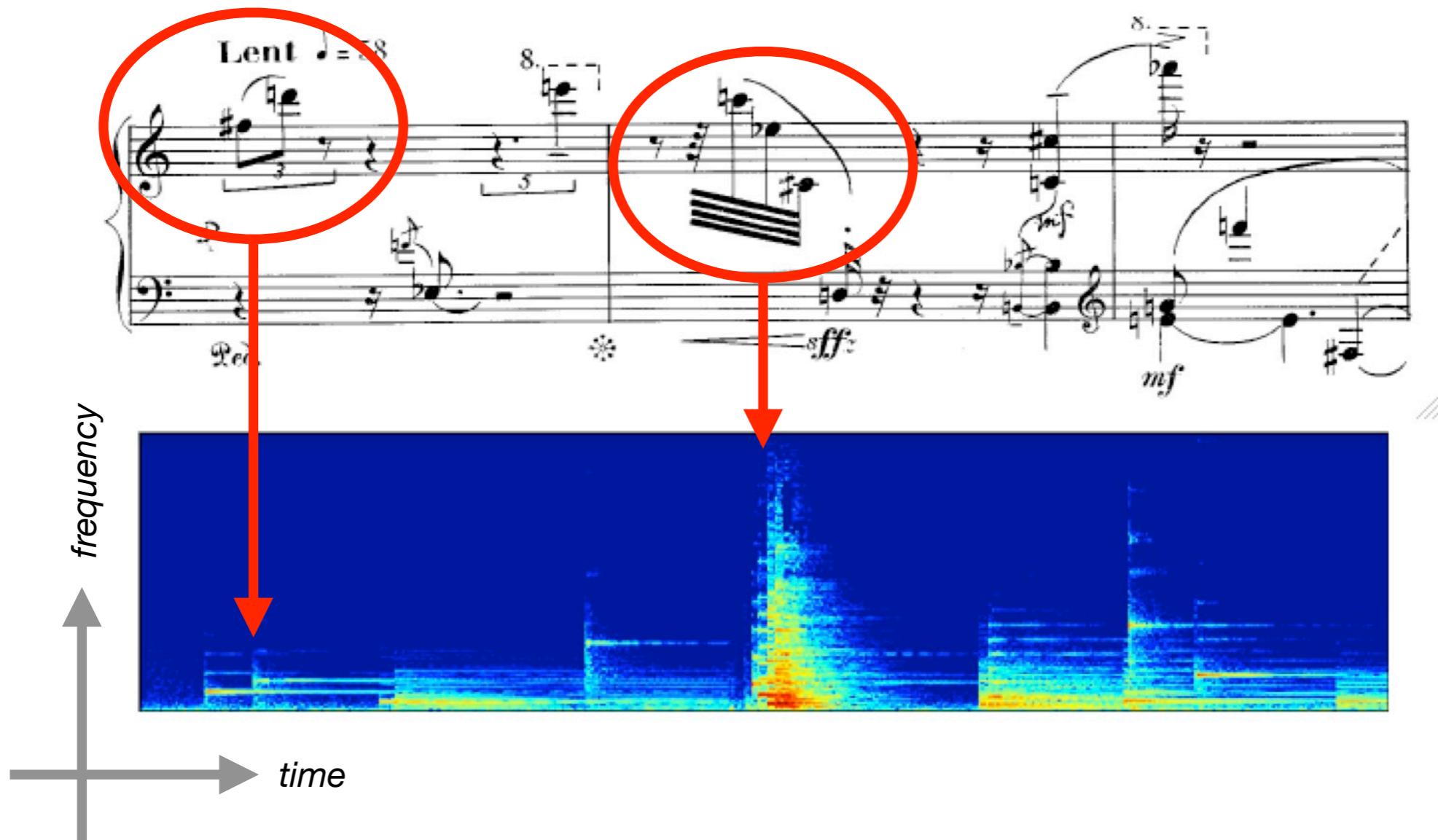
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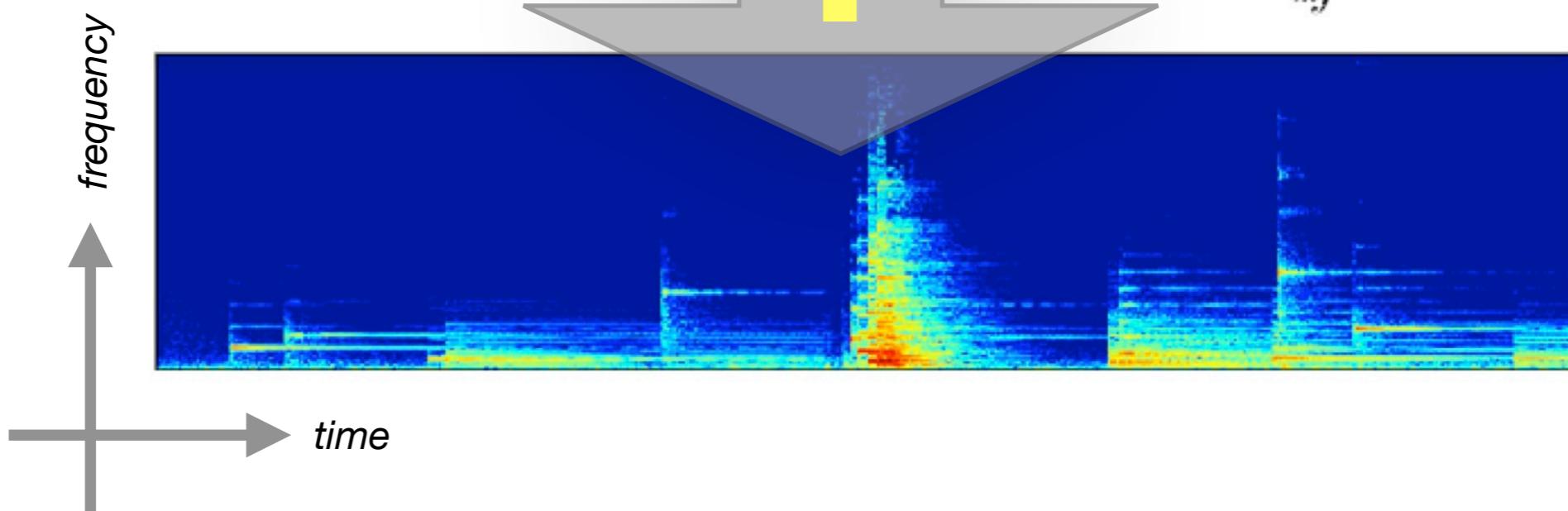


# A mathematical musical score









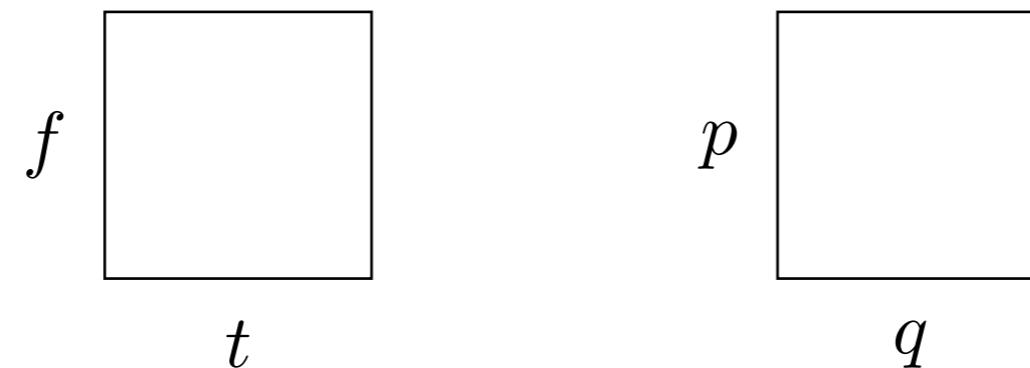
## Joint representation based on a Fourier pair of variables

### Analogy

$$(t, f) \longleftrightarrow (q, p)$$

time-frequency      position-momentum

### « Phase-space » description

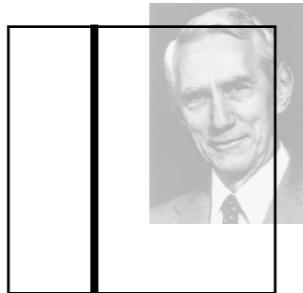


### Interplay

signal theory  $\longleftrightarrow$  quantum mechanics

# 1 **atomic decompositions**

# Time, frequency



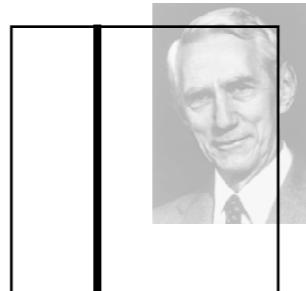
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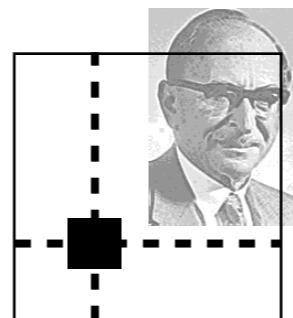
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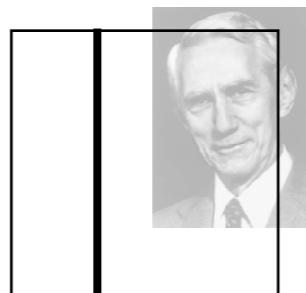


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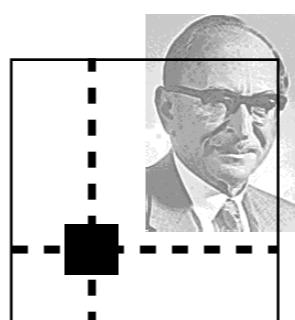
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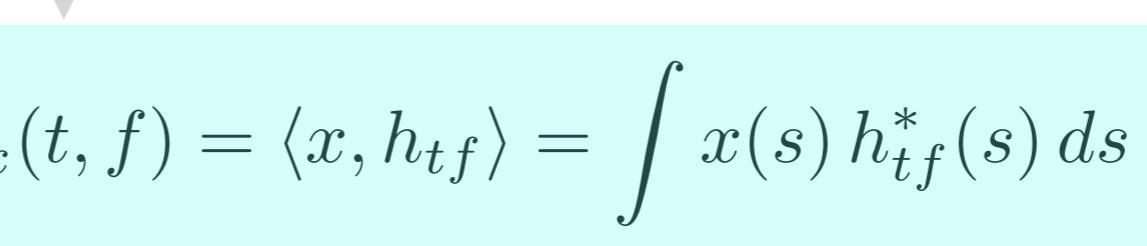


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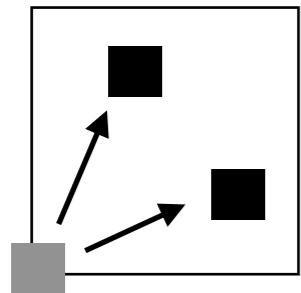


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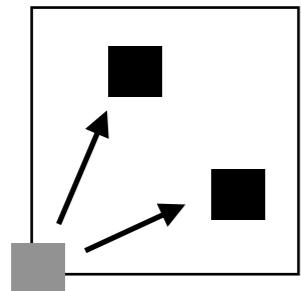
$$F_x^h(t, f) = \int x(s) h^*(s - t) e^{-i2\pi f s} ds \quad \longrightarrow$$

short-time Fourier transform

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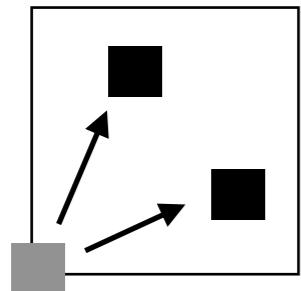
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Q-function



Husimi  
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No perfect time-frequency localization



Heisenberg  
1925

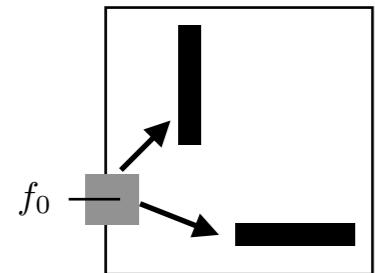
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reproducing kernel

## Exploring the plane with time-scale moves



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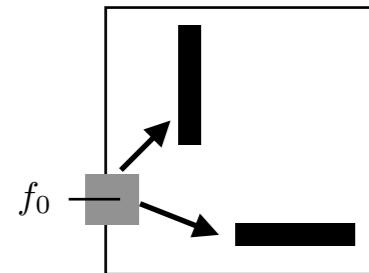
Grossmann



Morlet  
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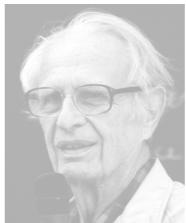
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scalogram

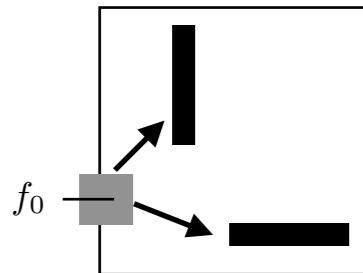
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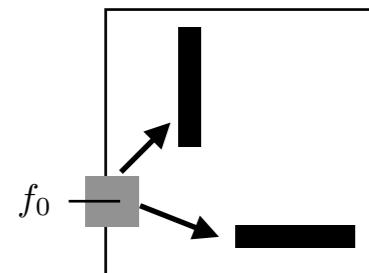
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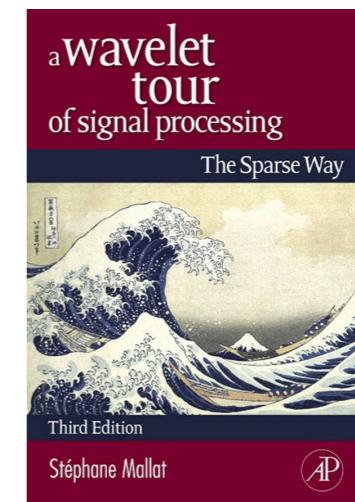
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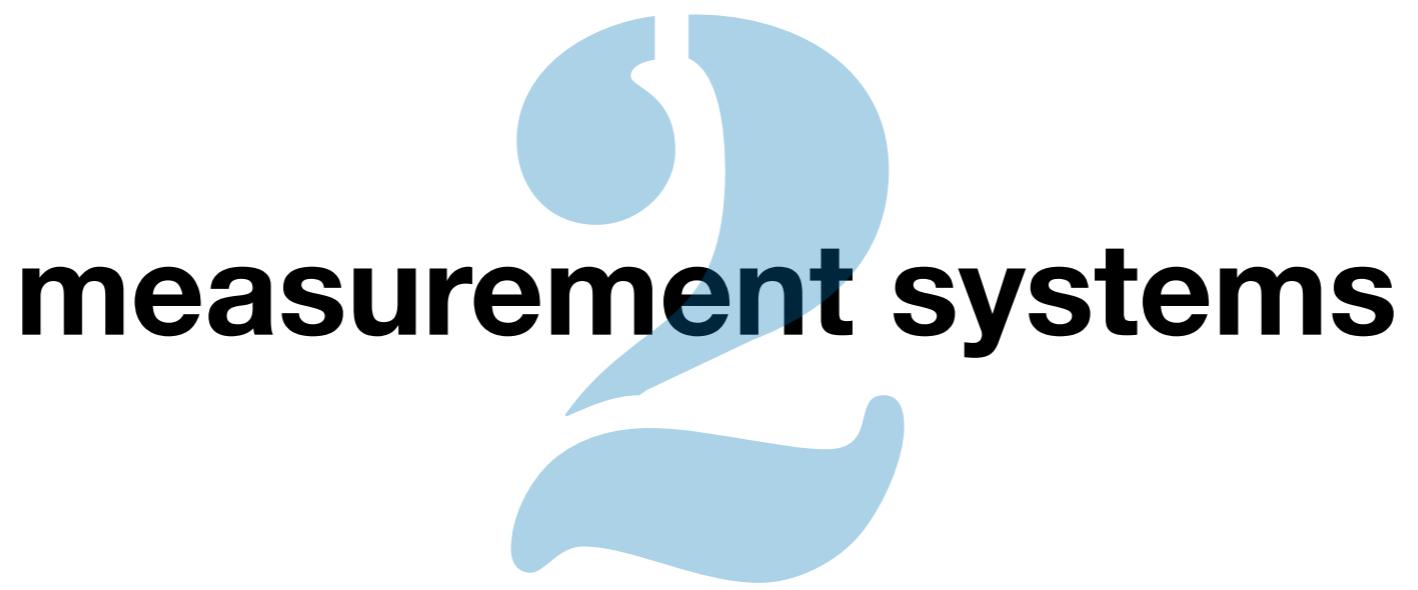
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Mallat  
1998



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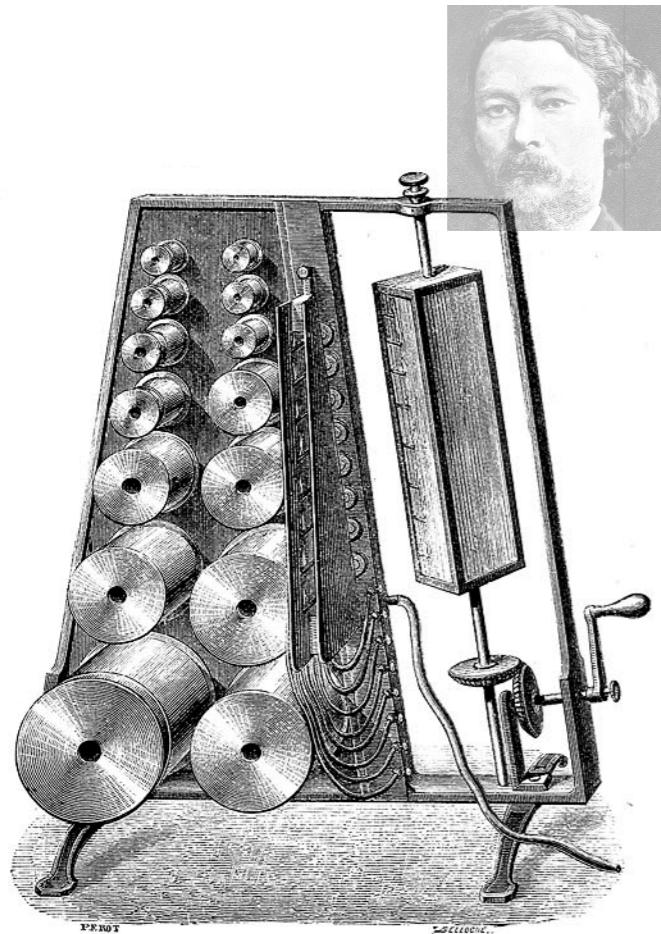
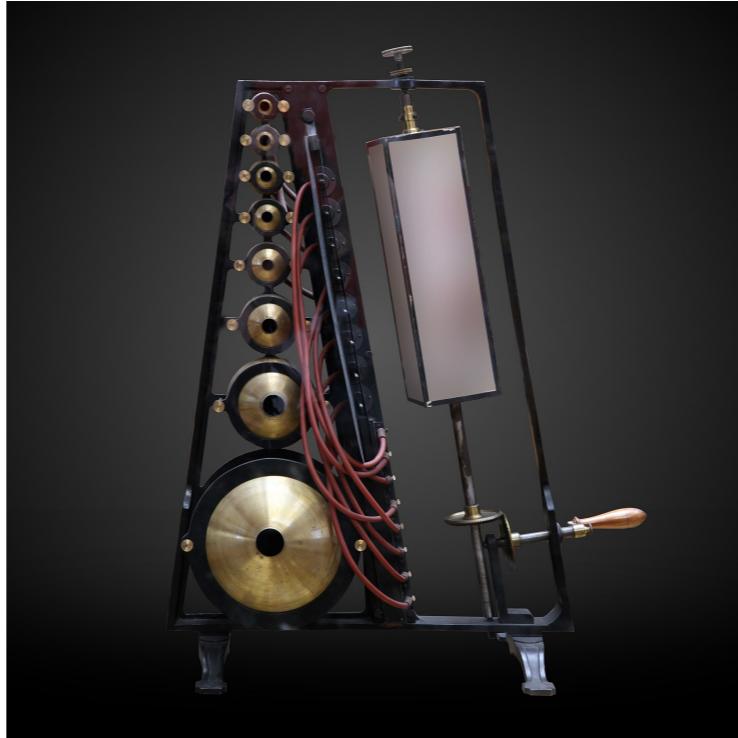


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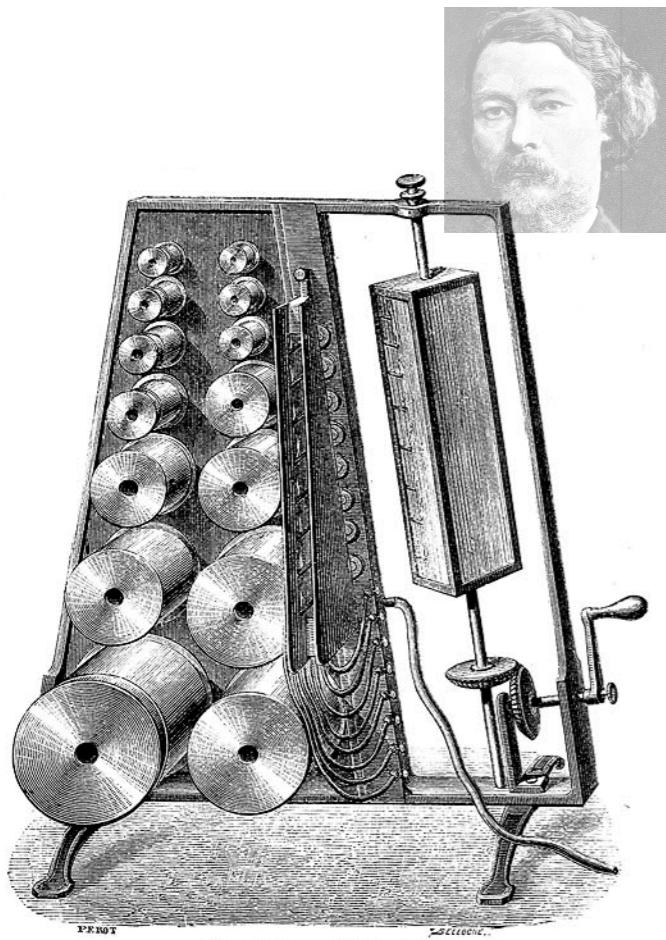
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sound analyzer

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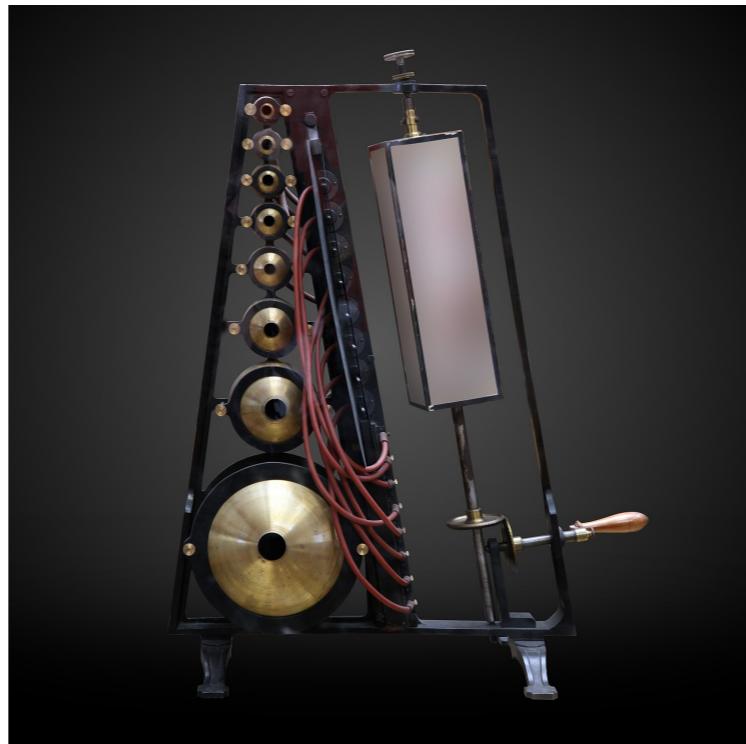
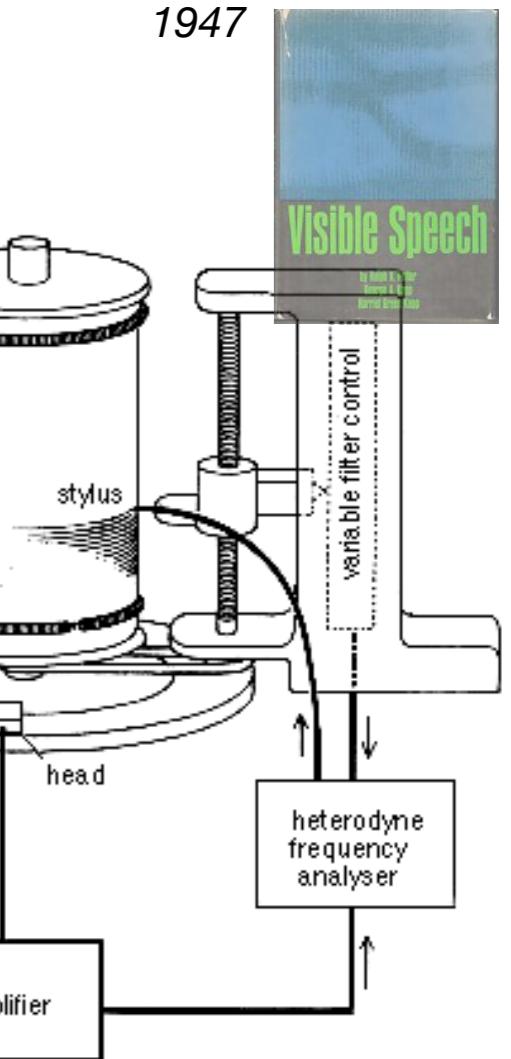


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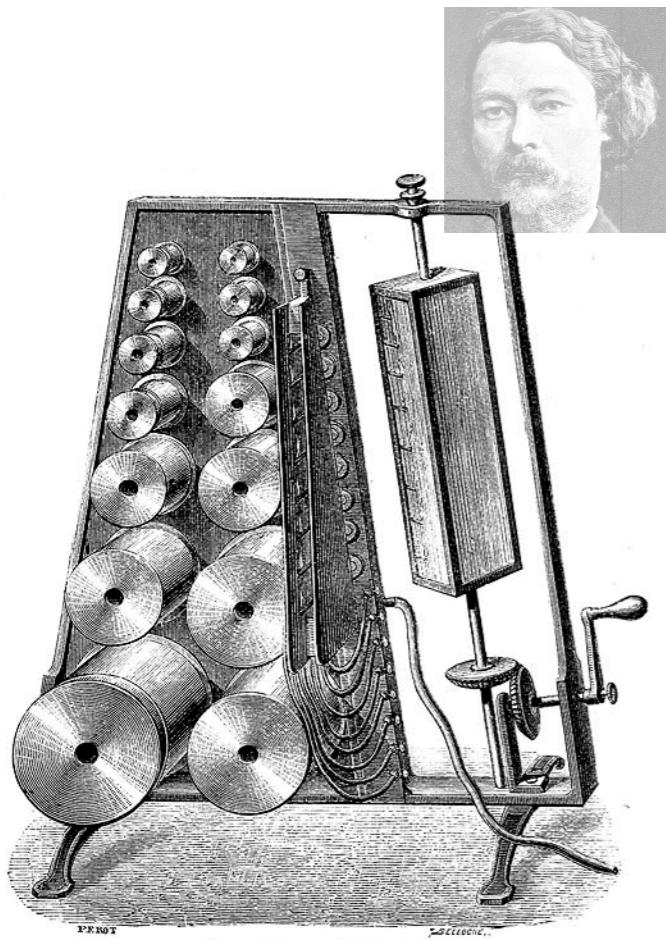
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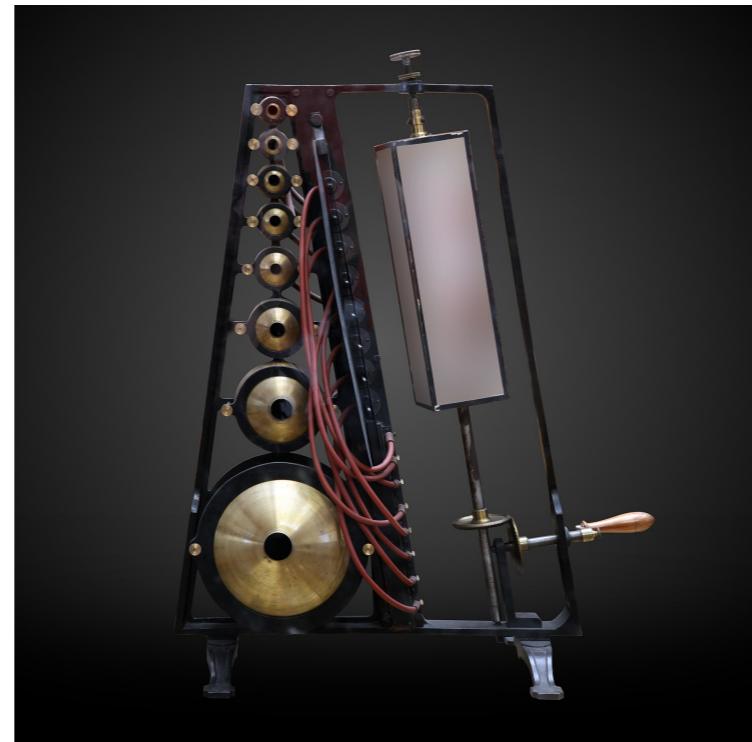
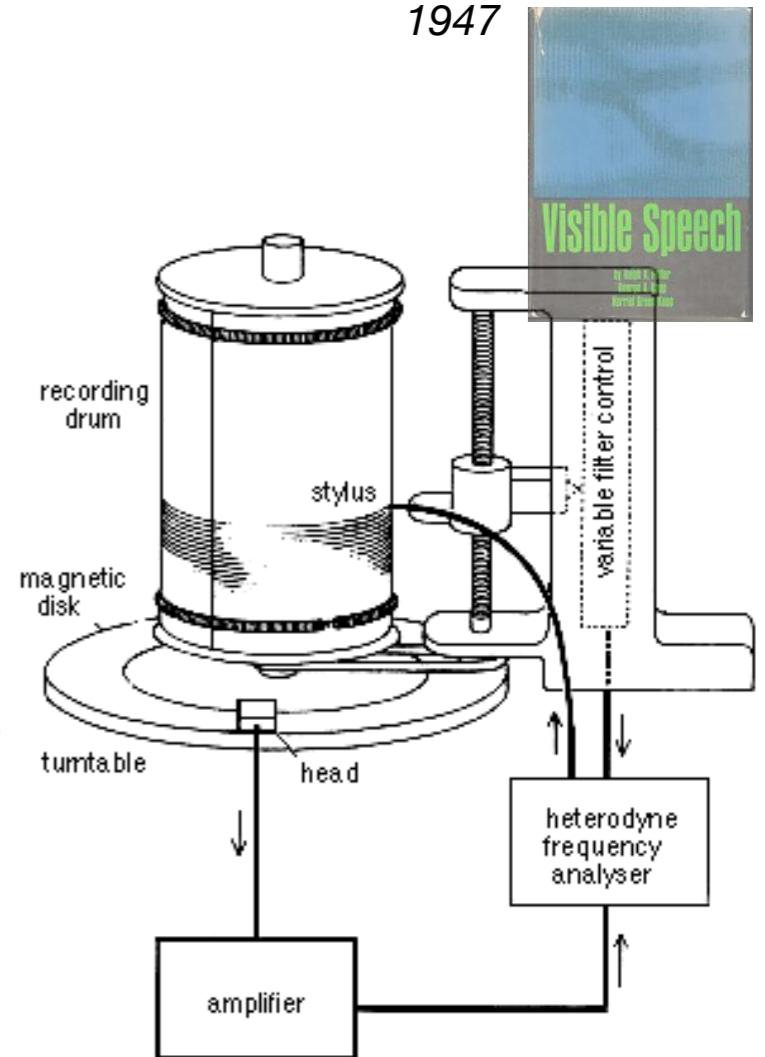


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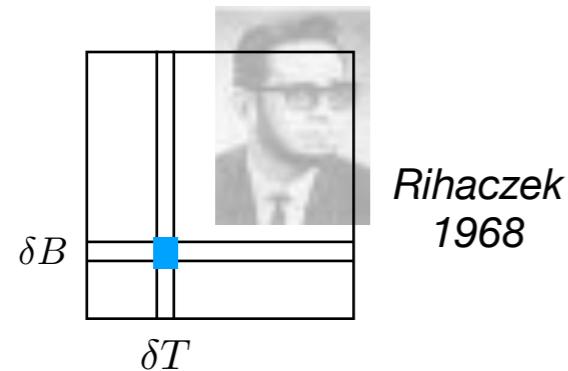
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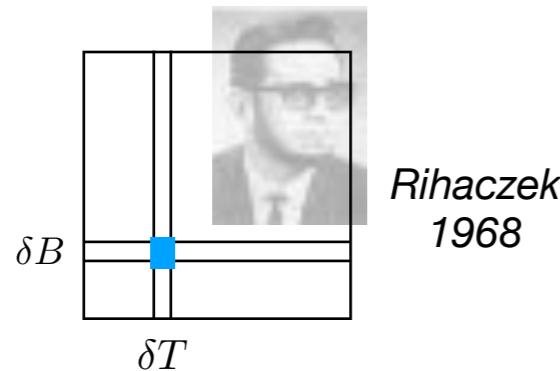
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## Idealized systems



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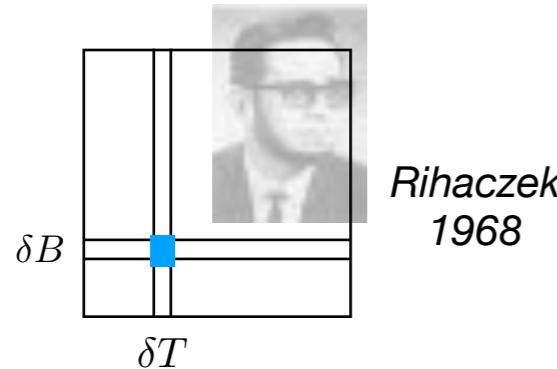
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Rihaczek complex energy density function

(a.k.a. Margenau-Hill distribution)



Margenau  
1961



**covariance principles**

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$$\rho_x(t, f) = C_x(t, f; \varphi)$$

Cohen's class



Cohen  
1966

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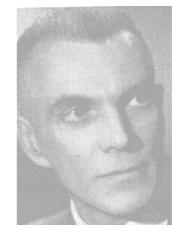
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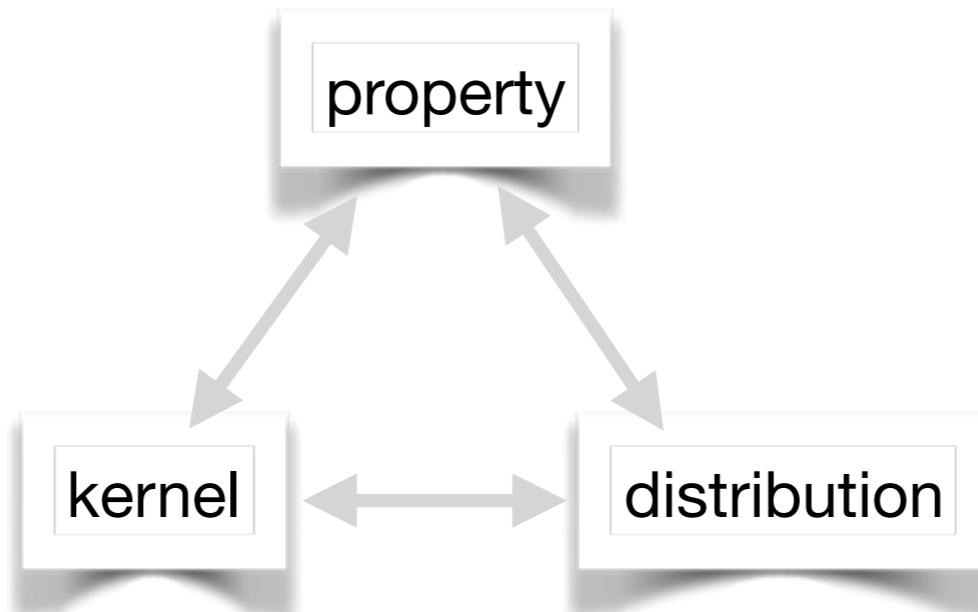
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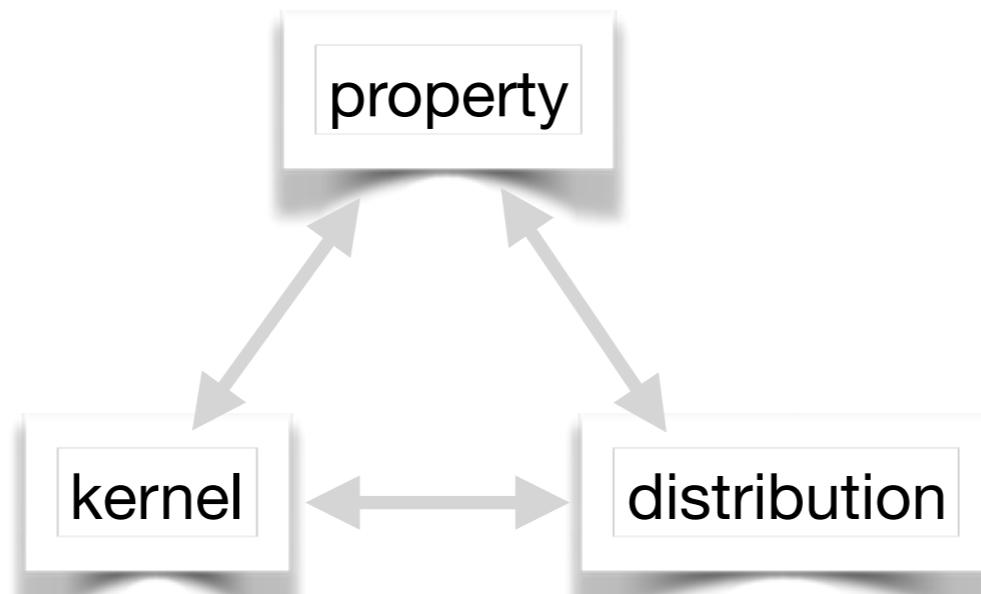
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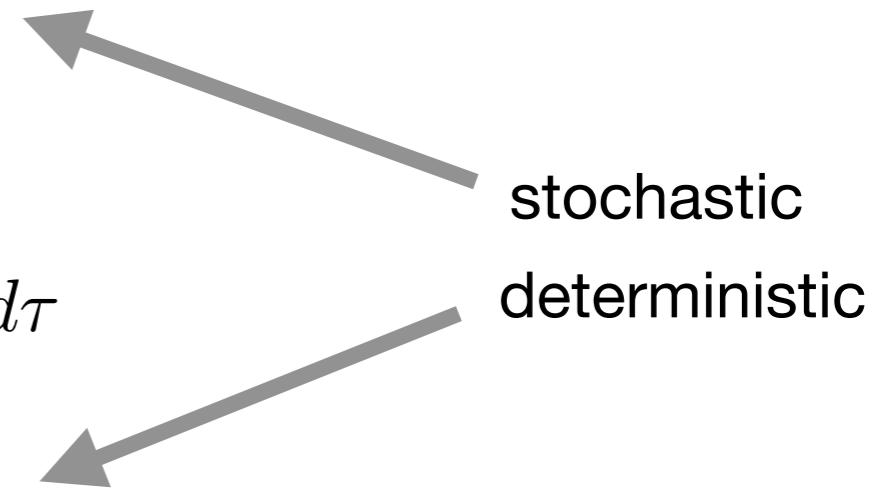
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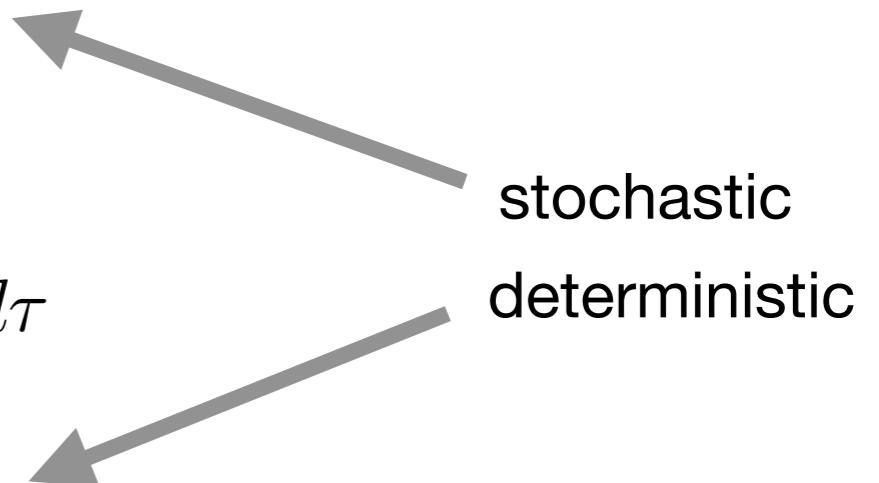
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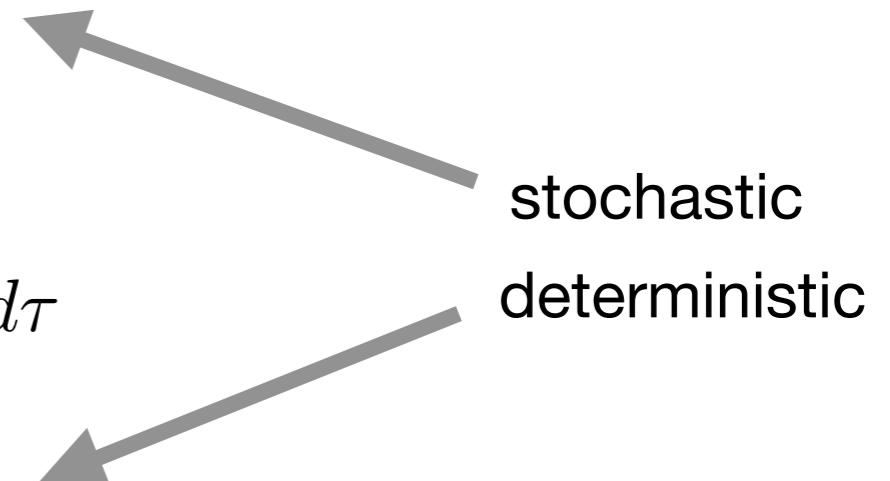
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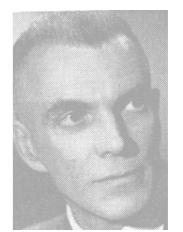


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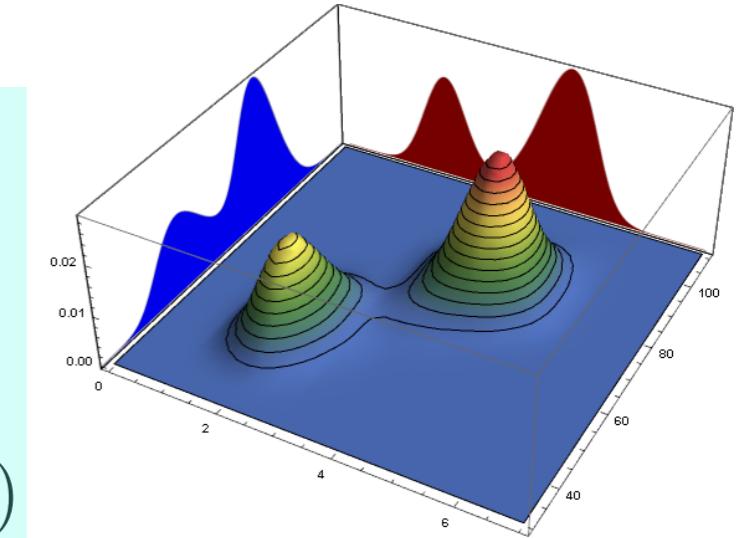
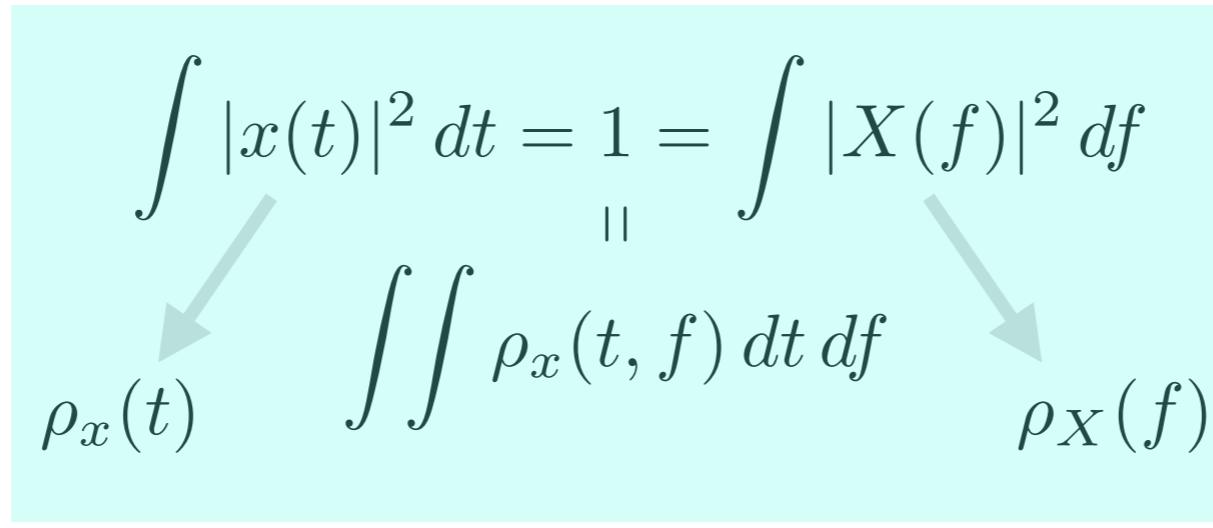
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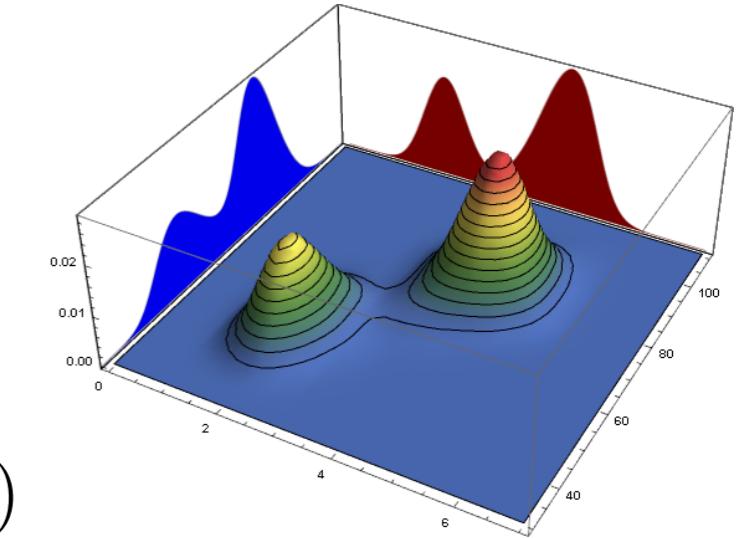
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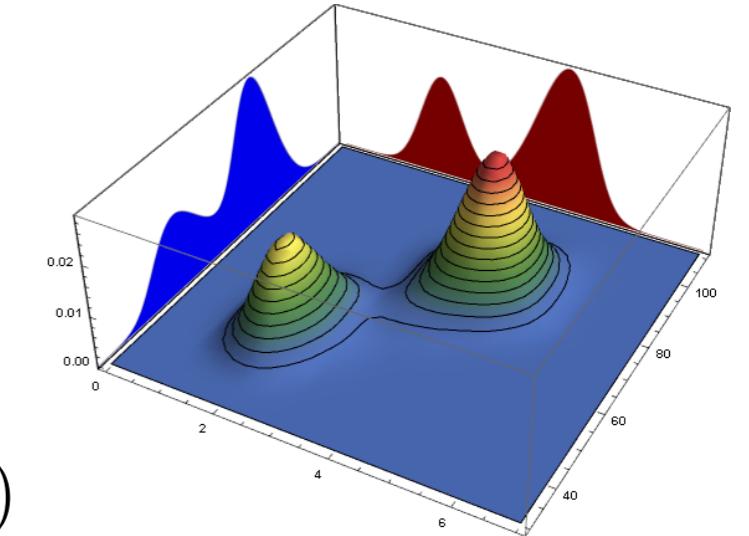
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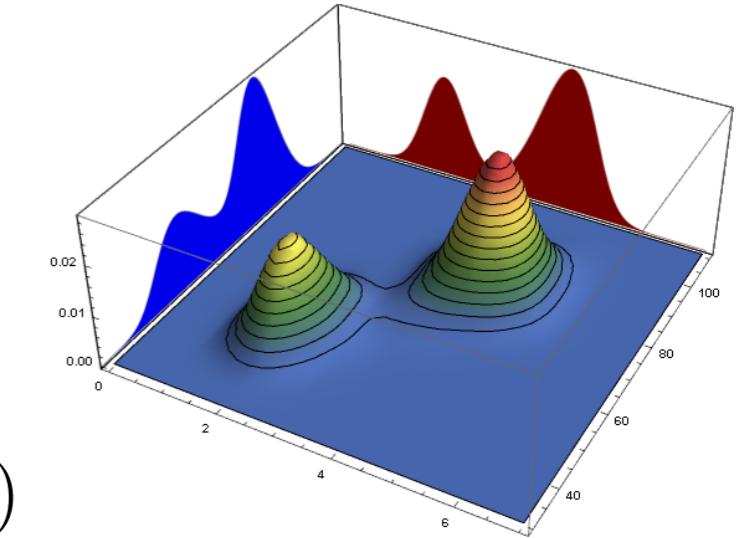
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Wigner	✓
spectro	✗
Rihaczek	✓



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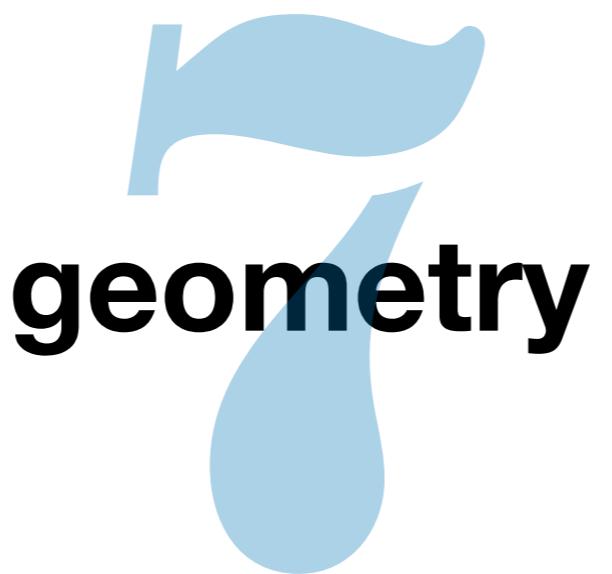
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Weyl quantization



Weyl  
1928

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Moyal  
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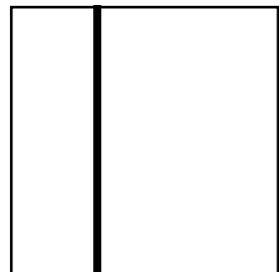


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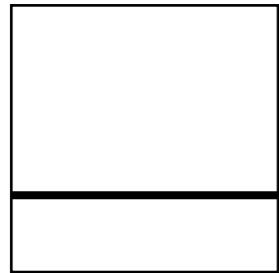


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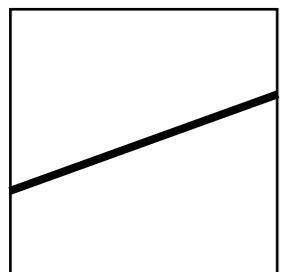
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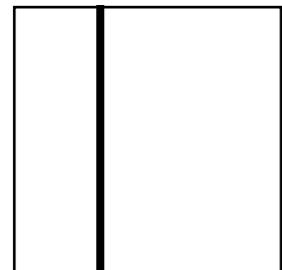


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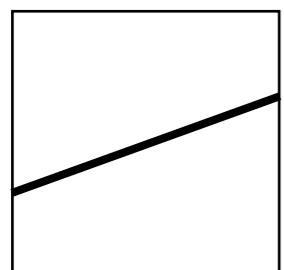
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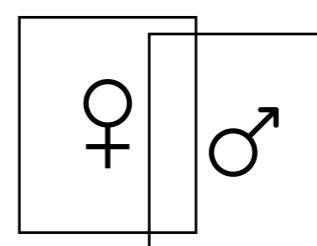


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Radon transform



Wigner



Bertrand's  
1983

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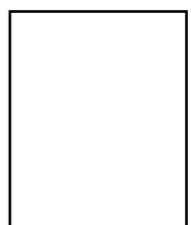


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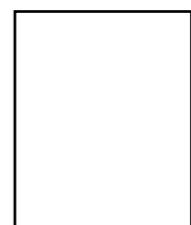


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**A companion perspective**

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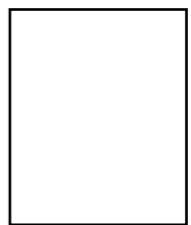


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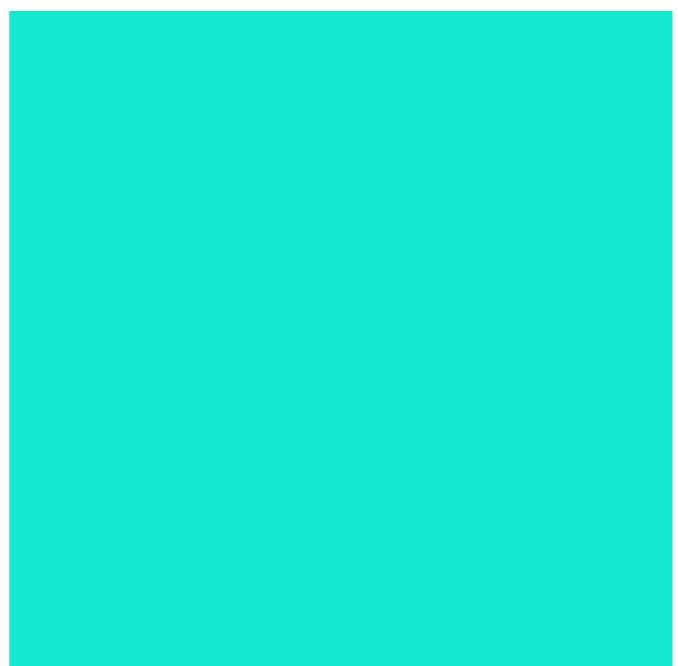
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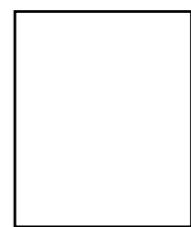


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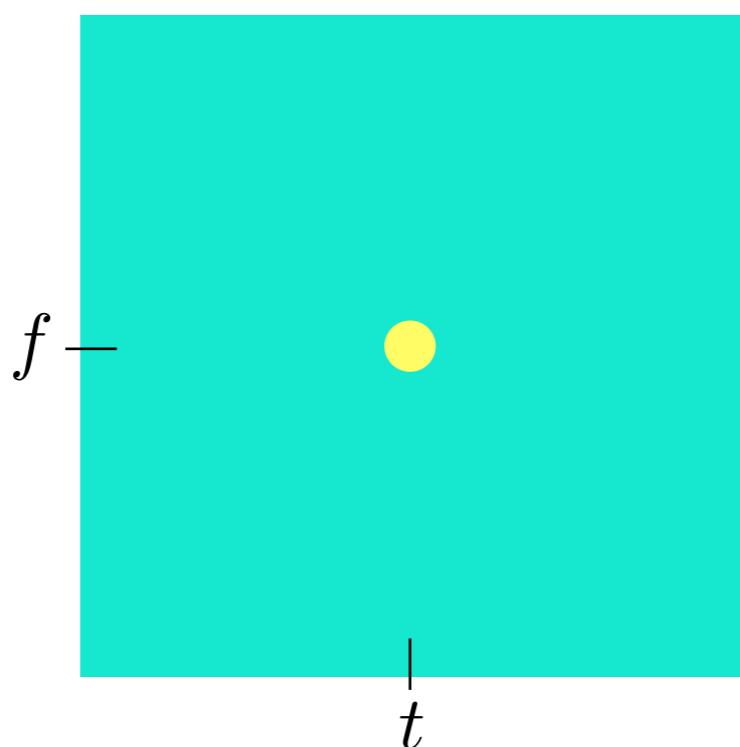
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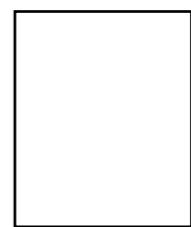


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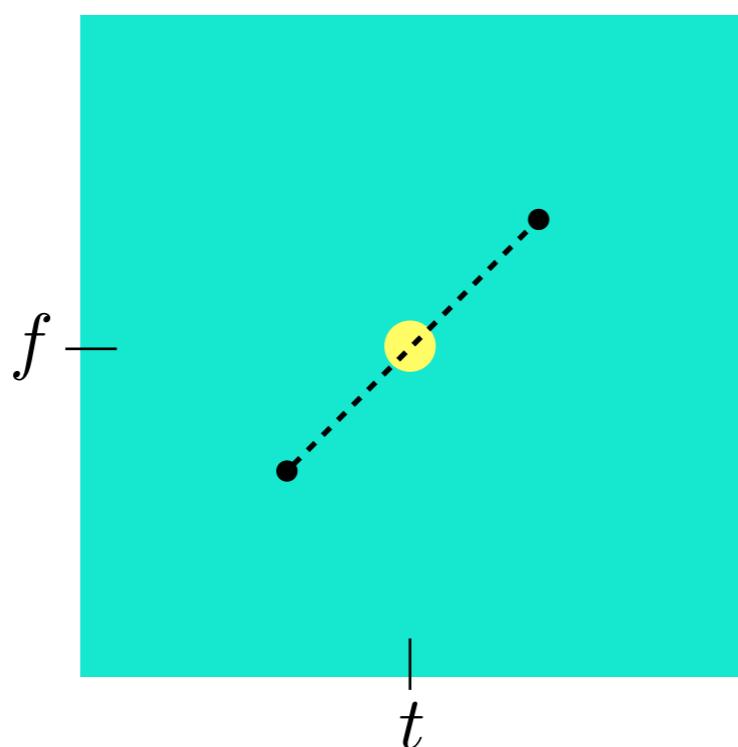
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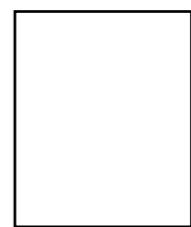


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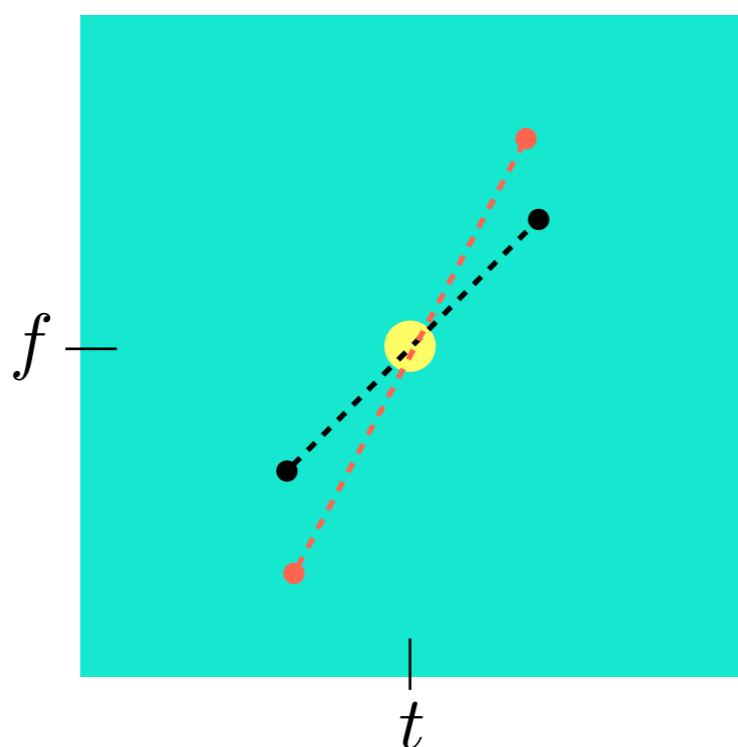
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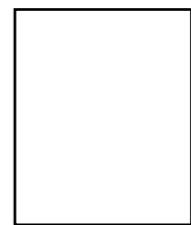


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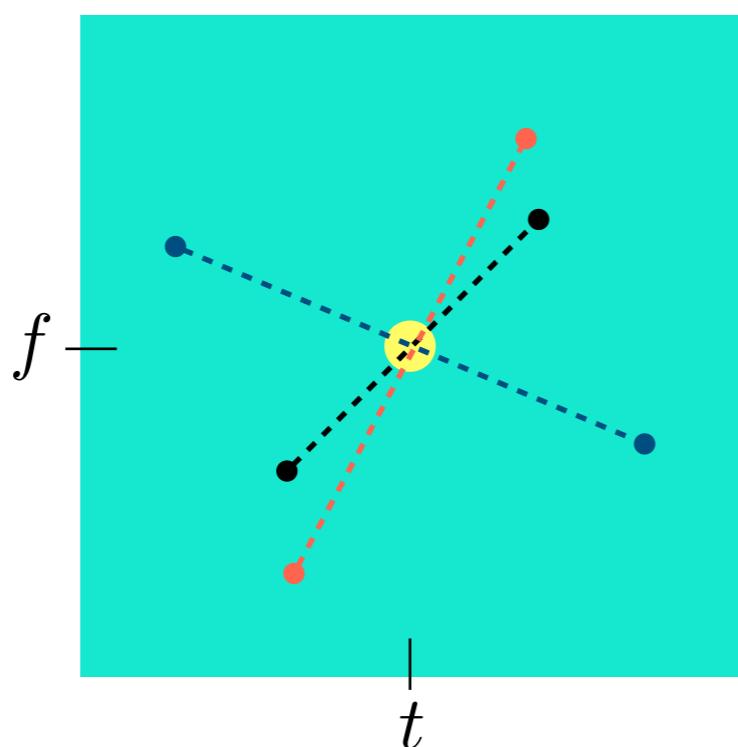
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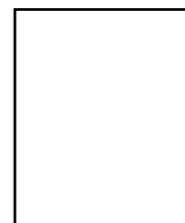


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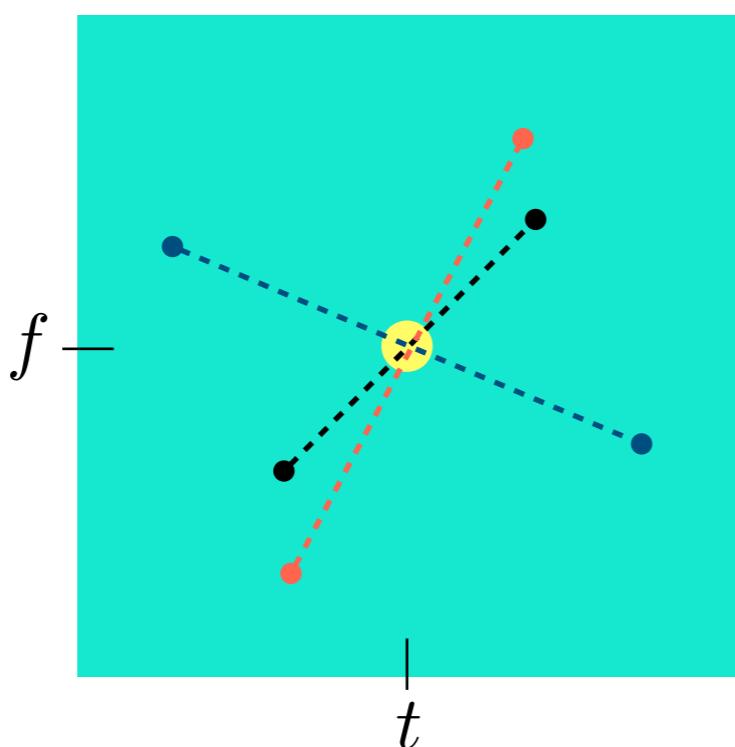
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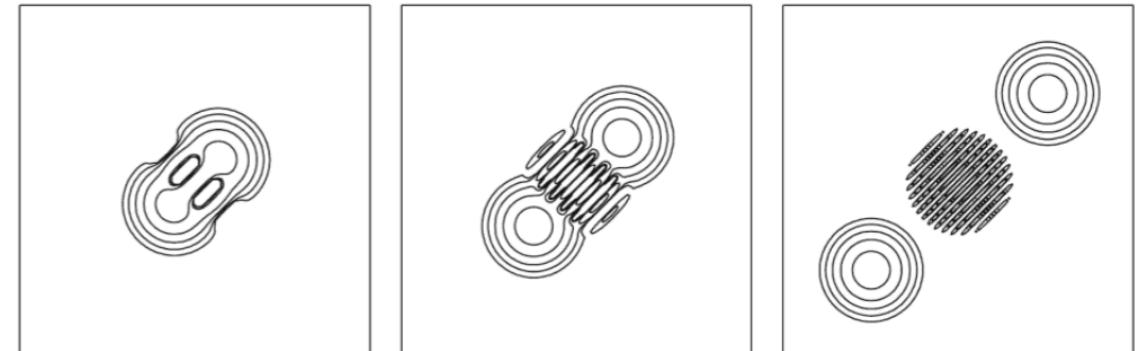
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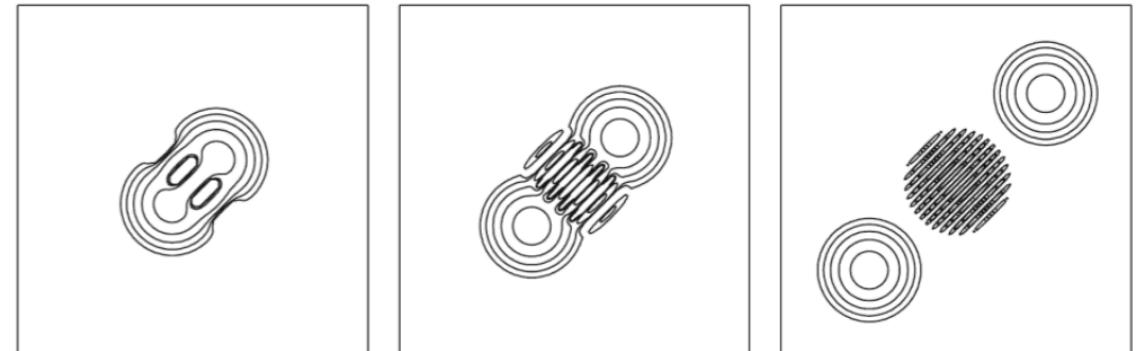
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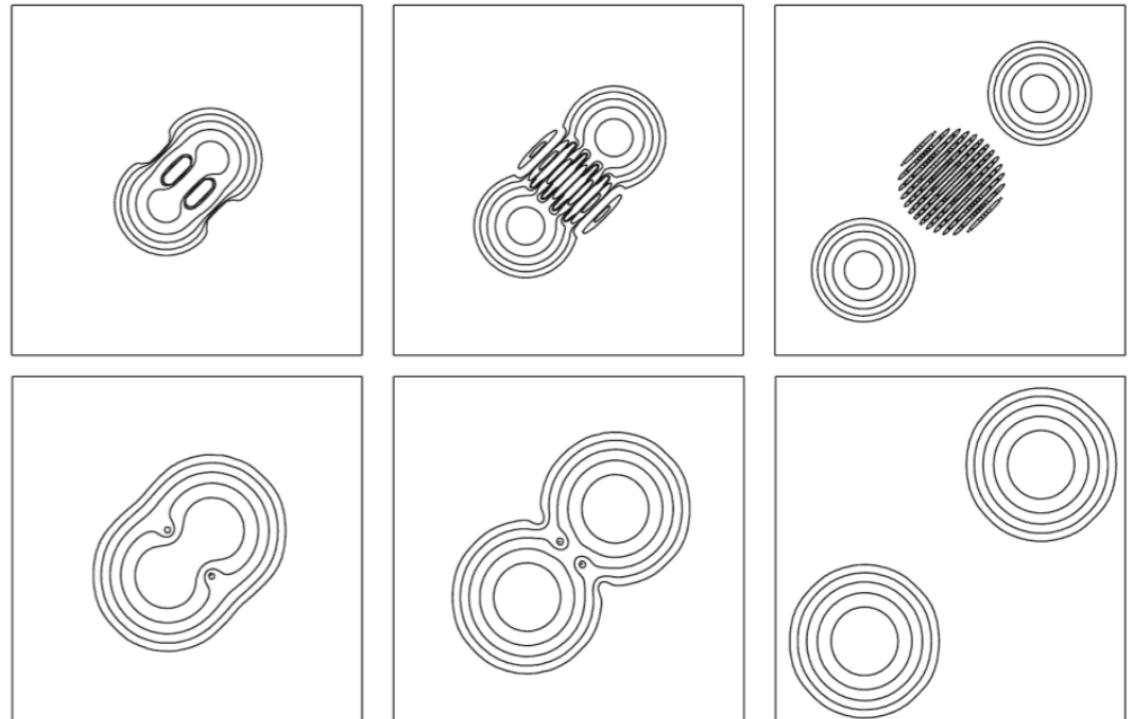
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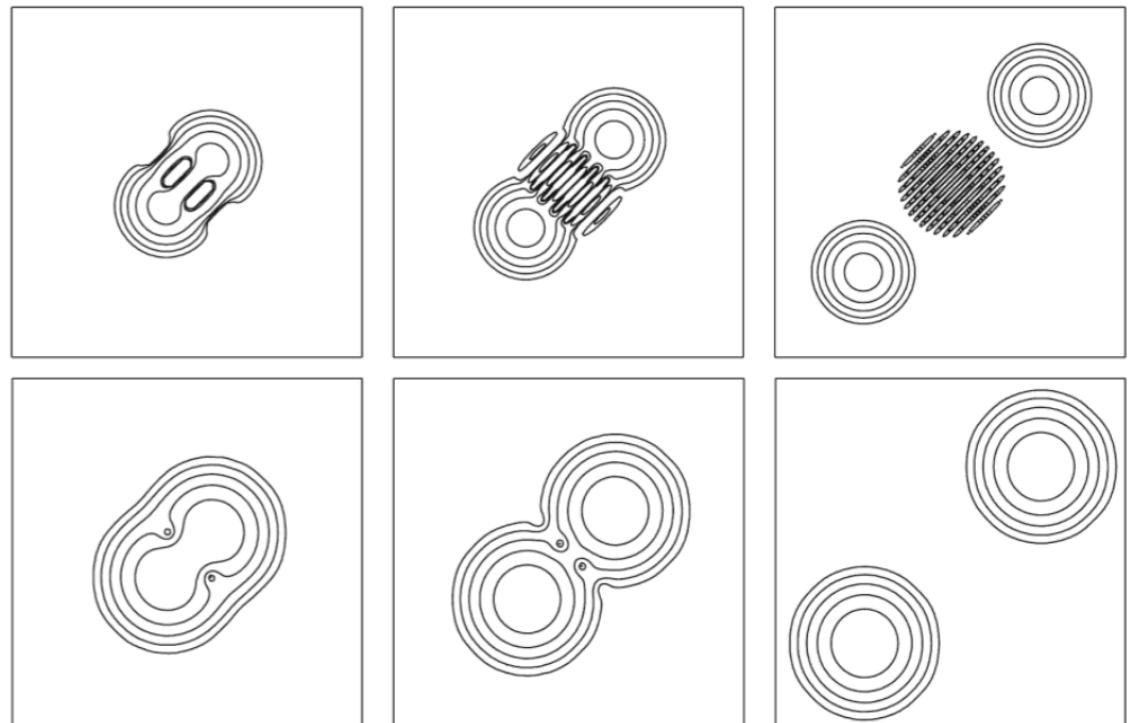
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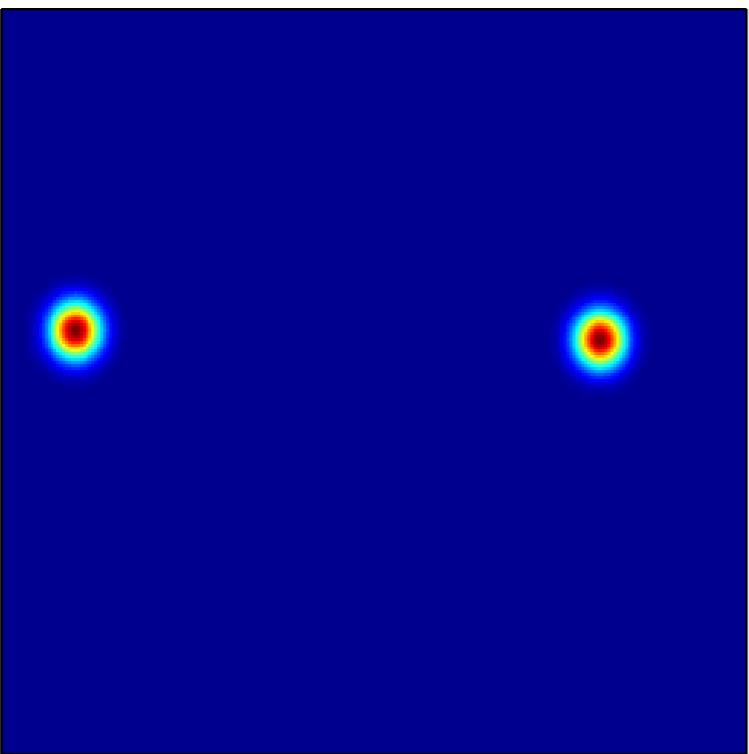
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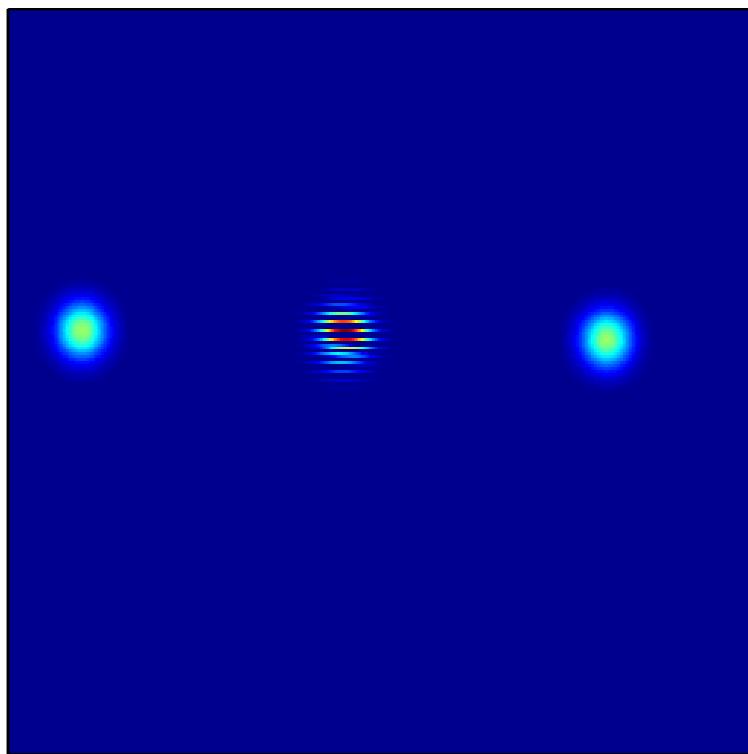
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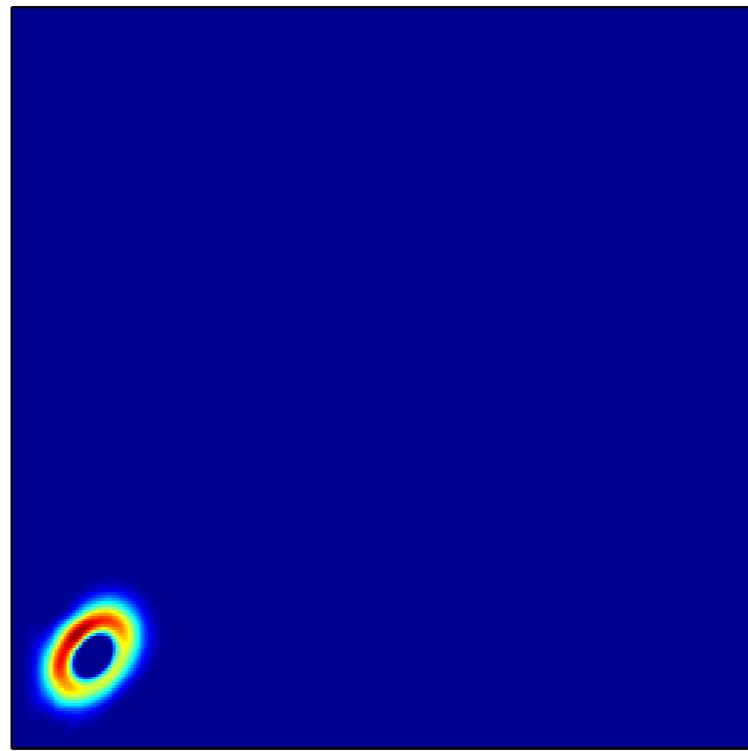
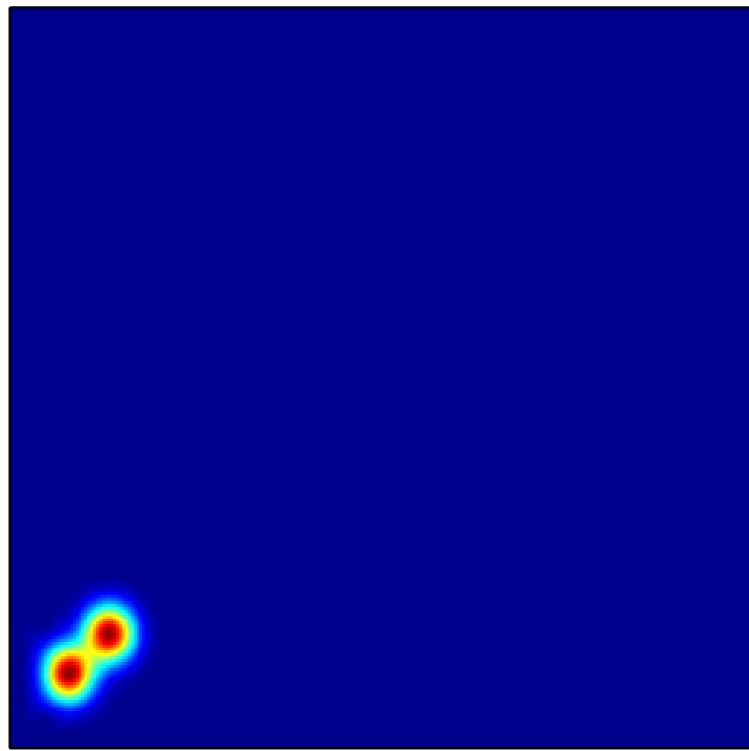
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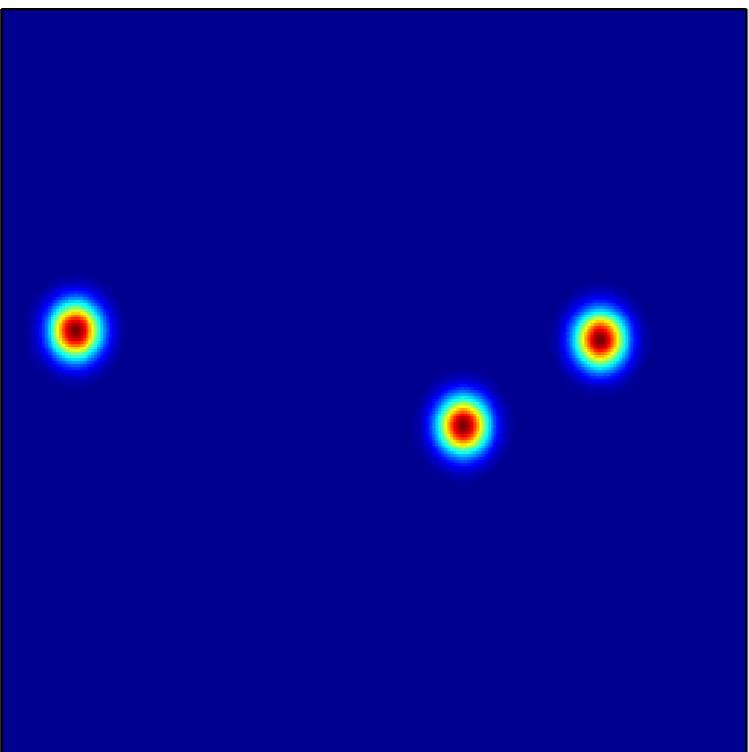


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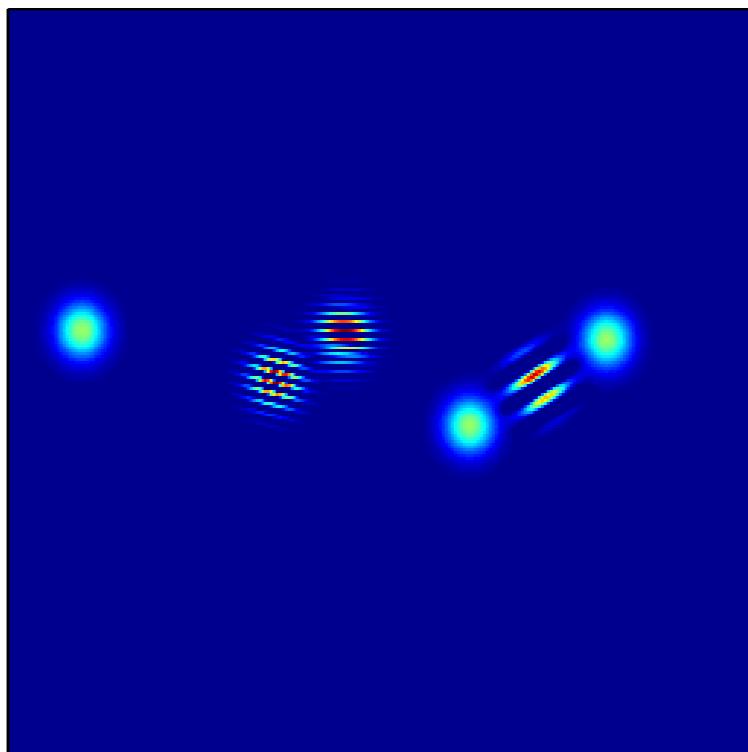


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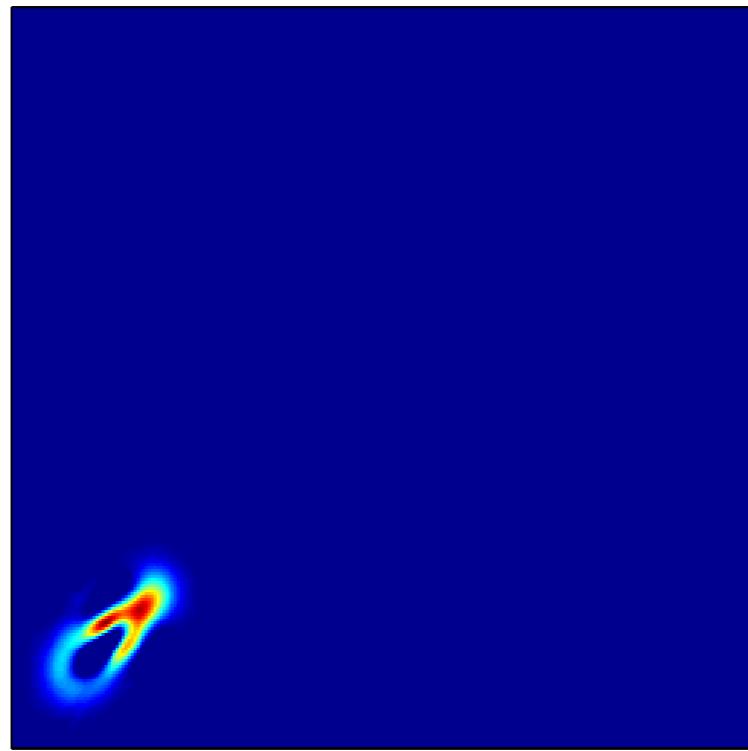
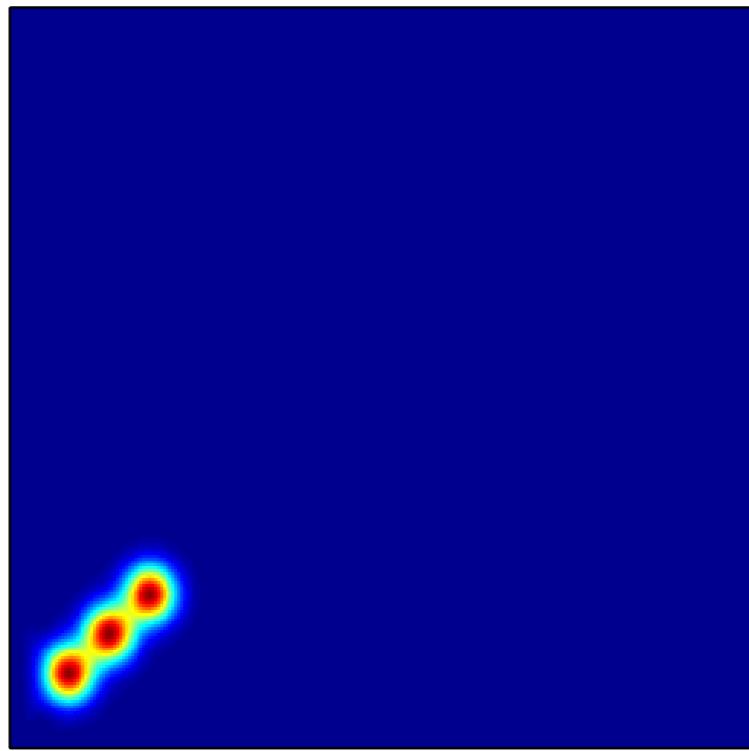


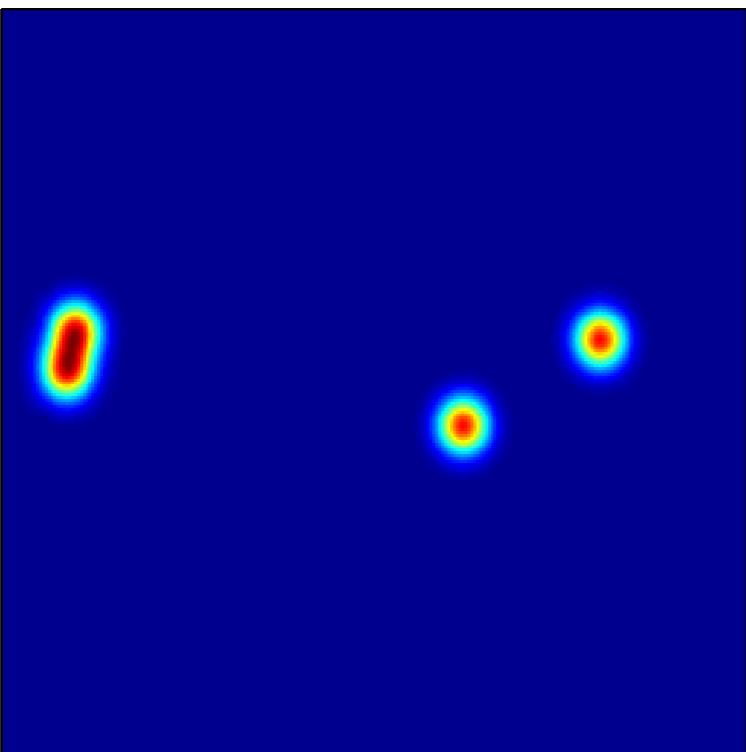


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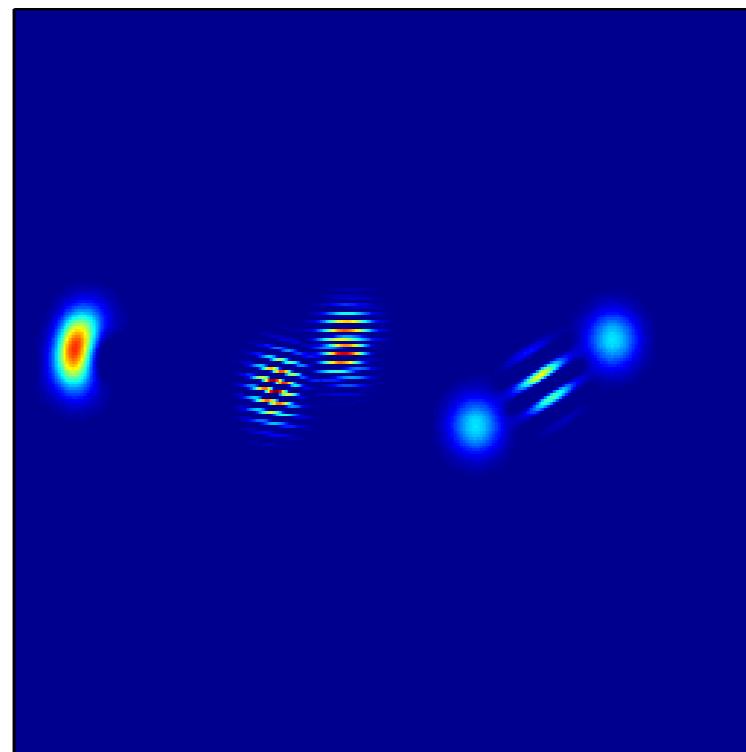


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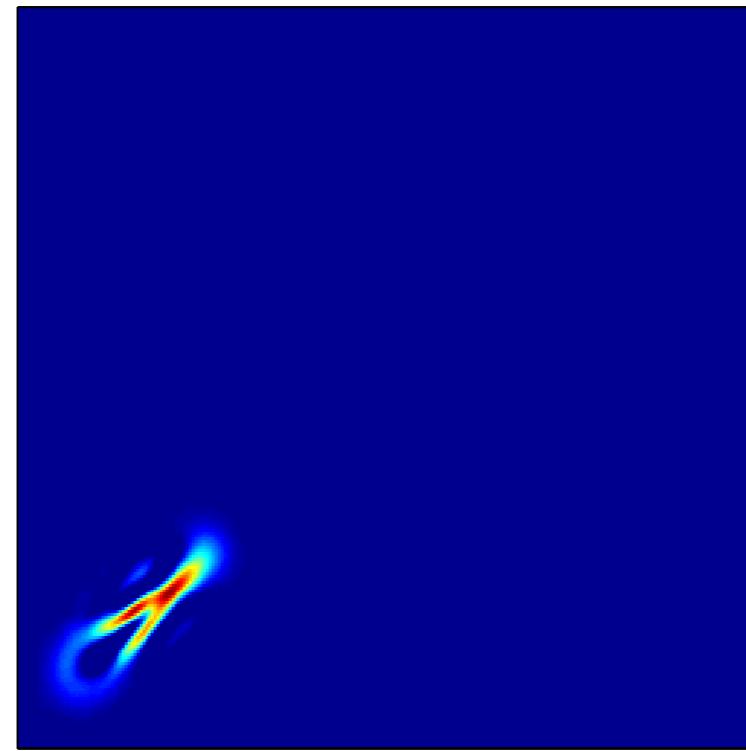
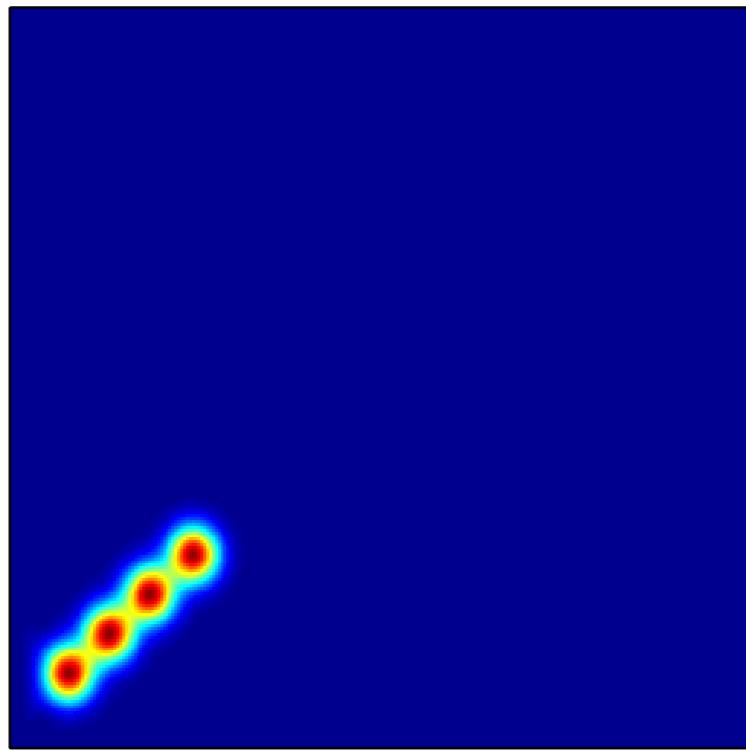


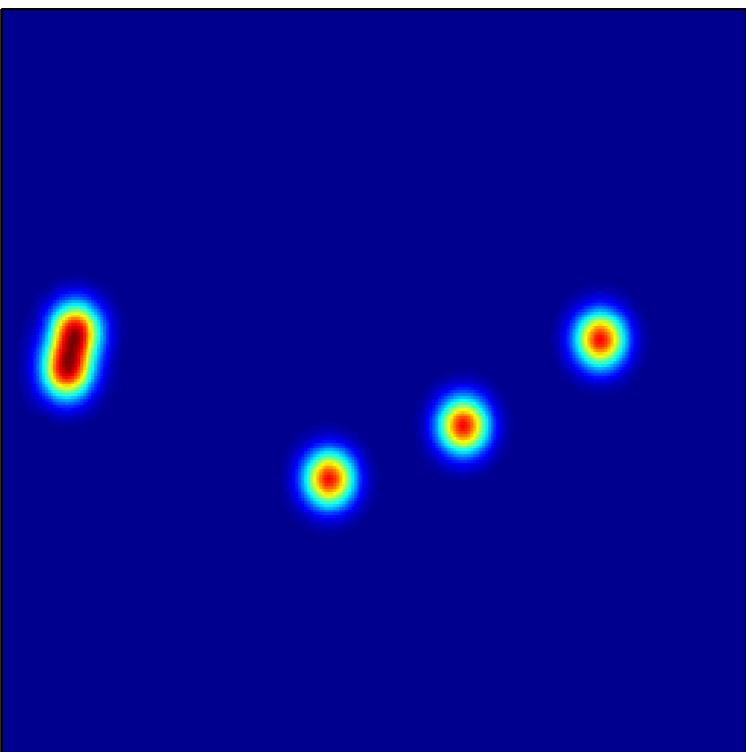


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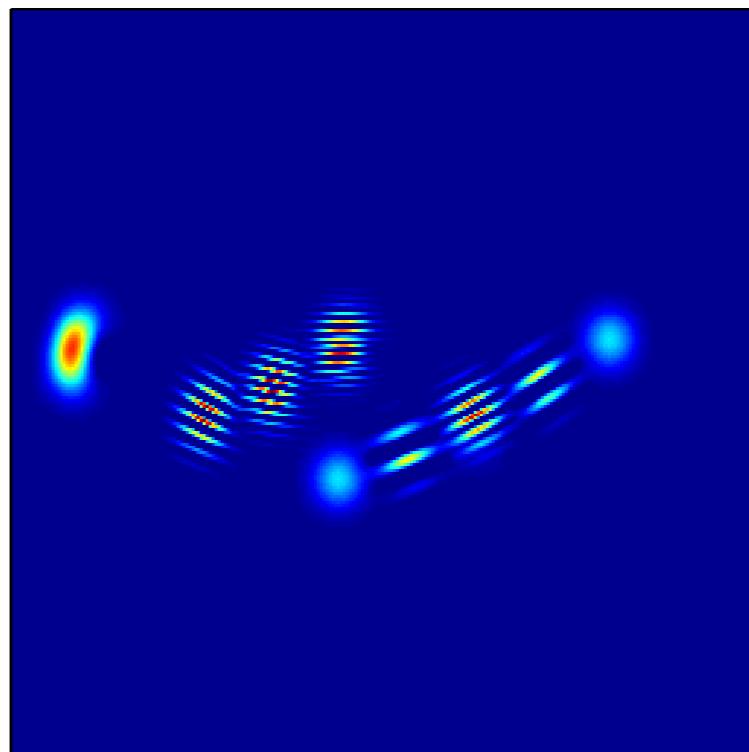


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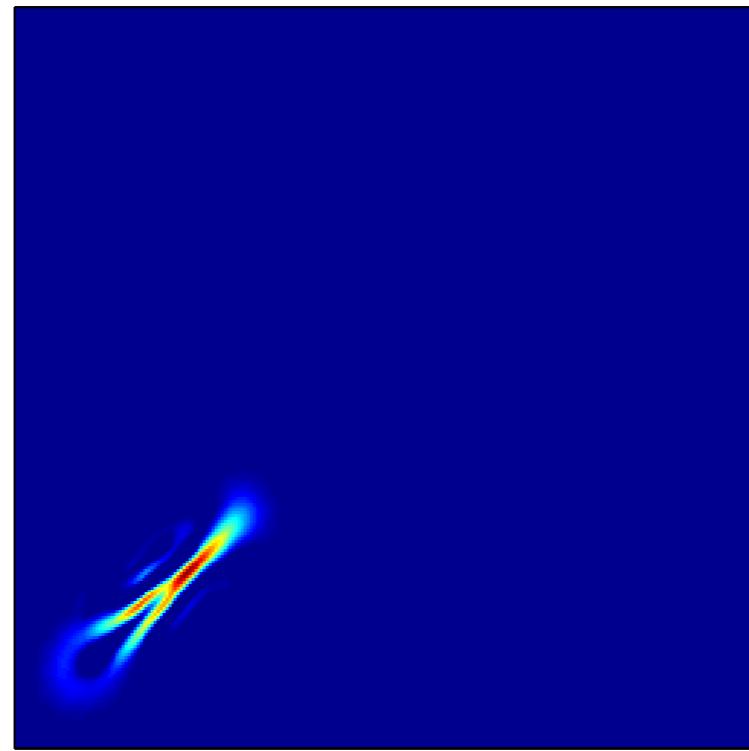
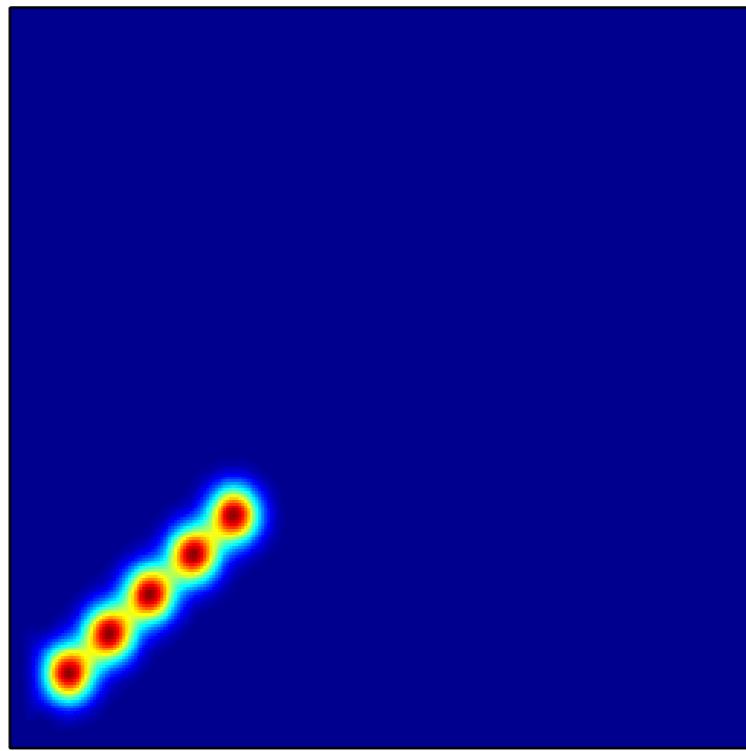


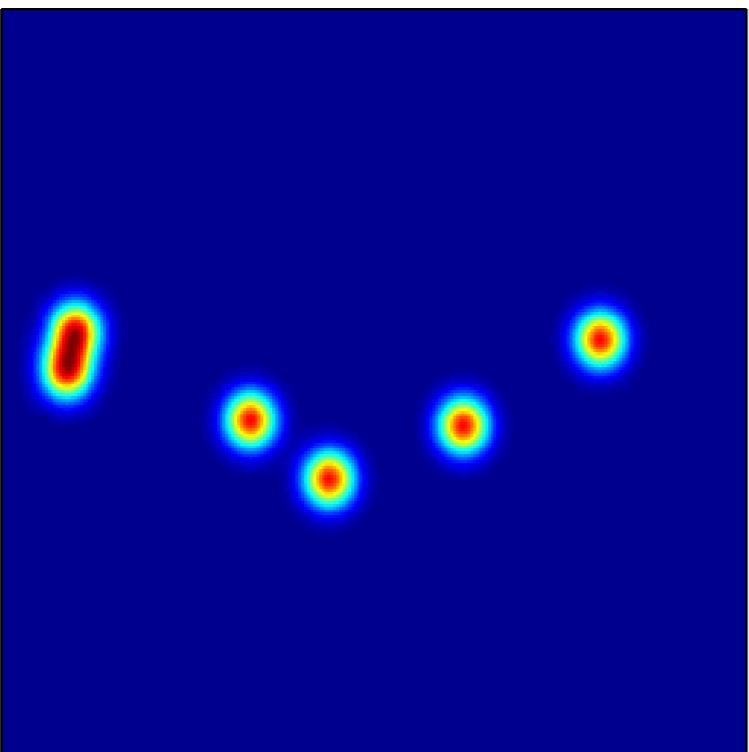


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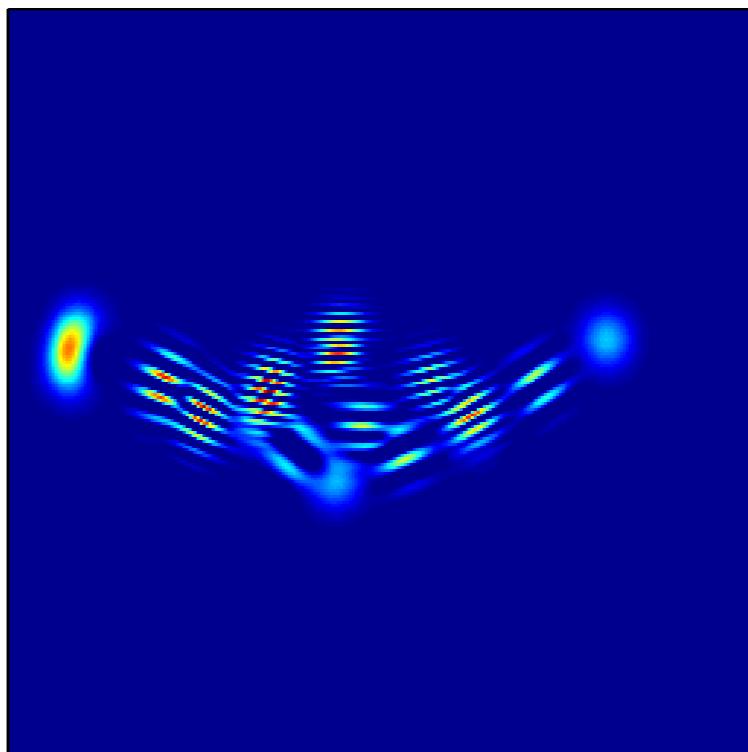


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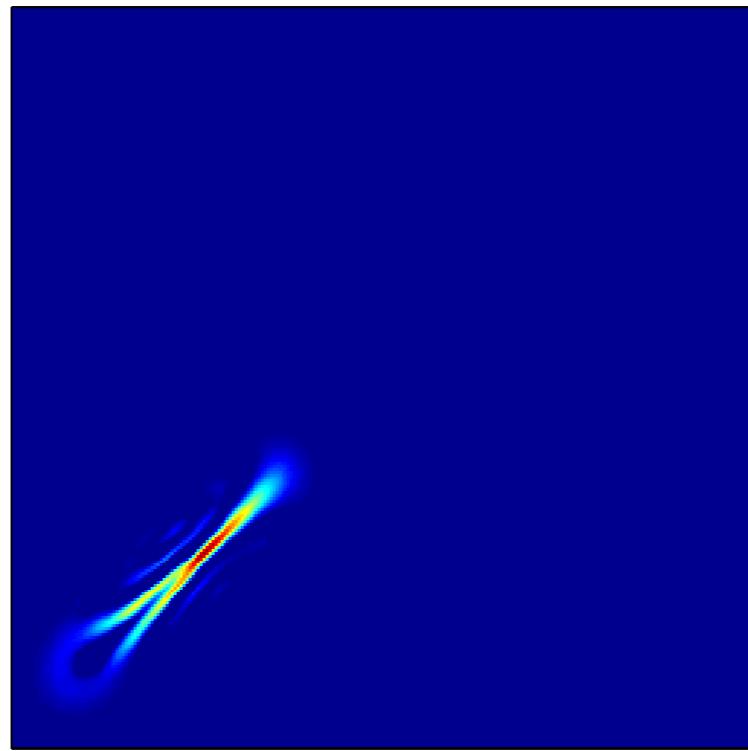
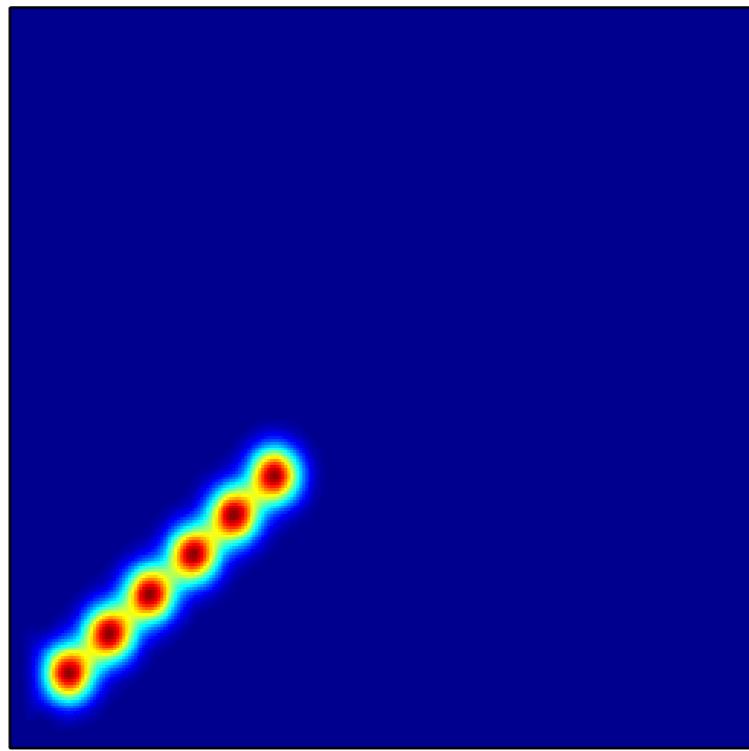


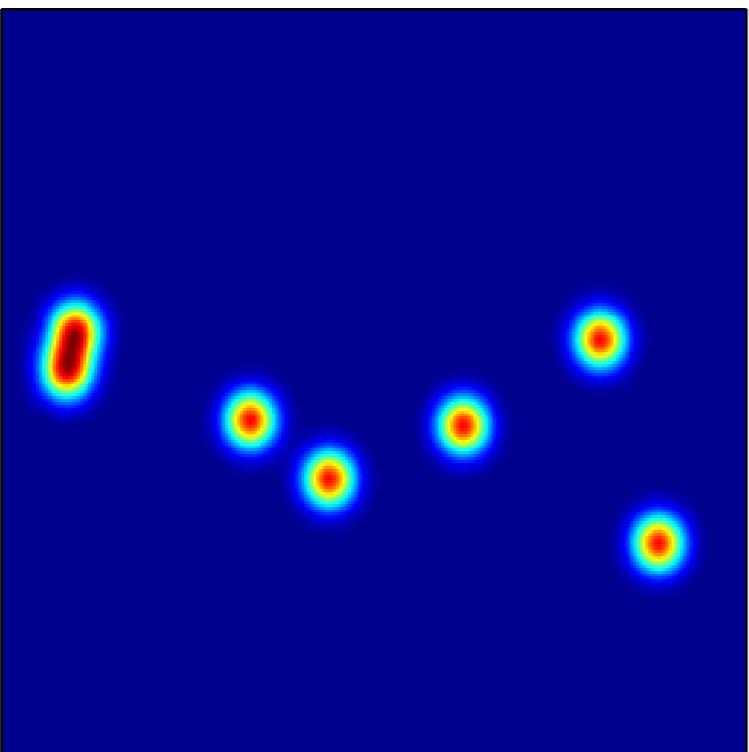


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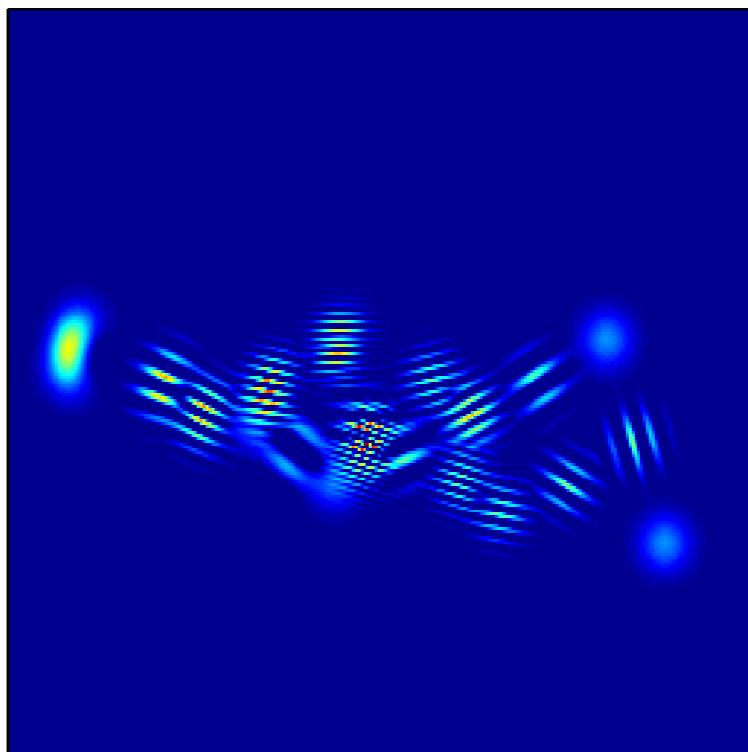


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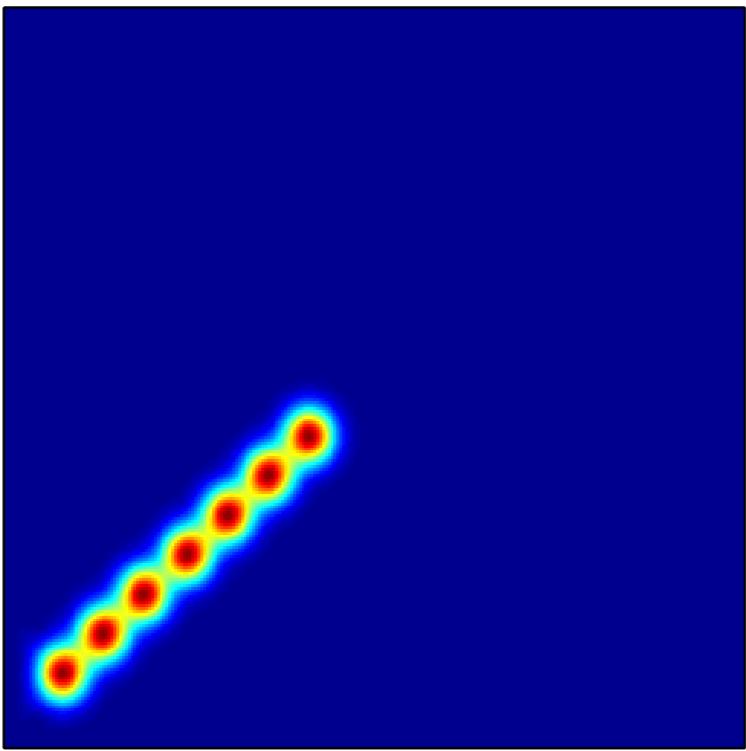


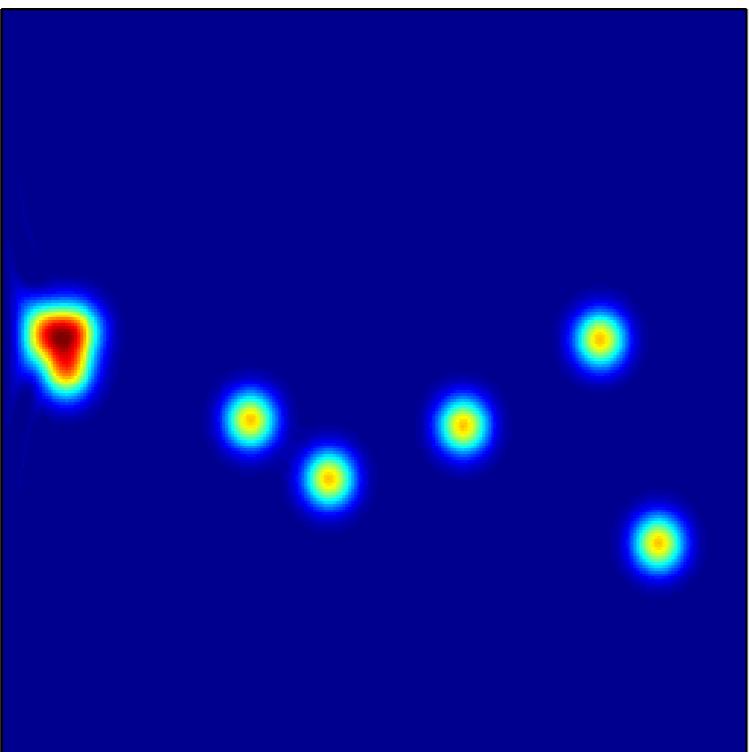


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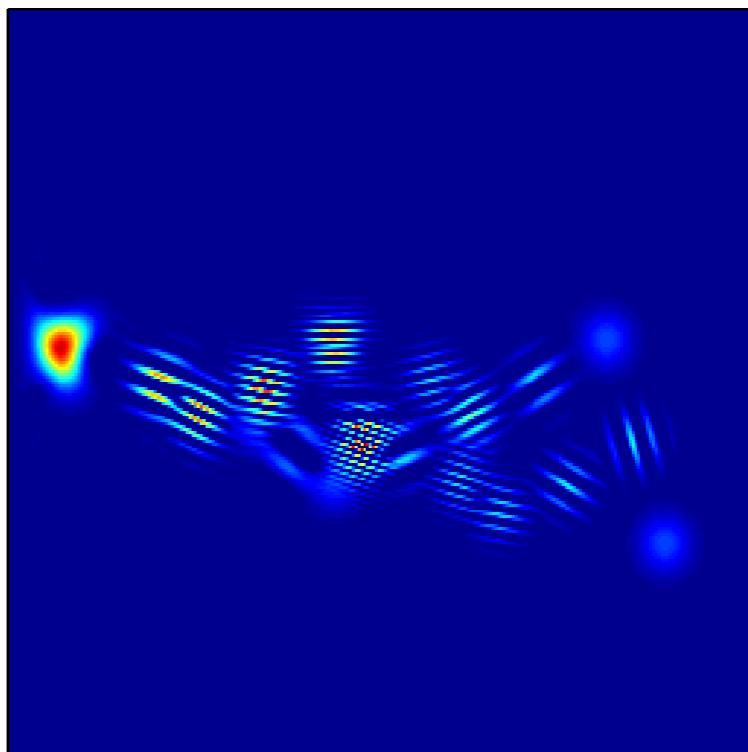


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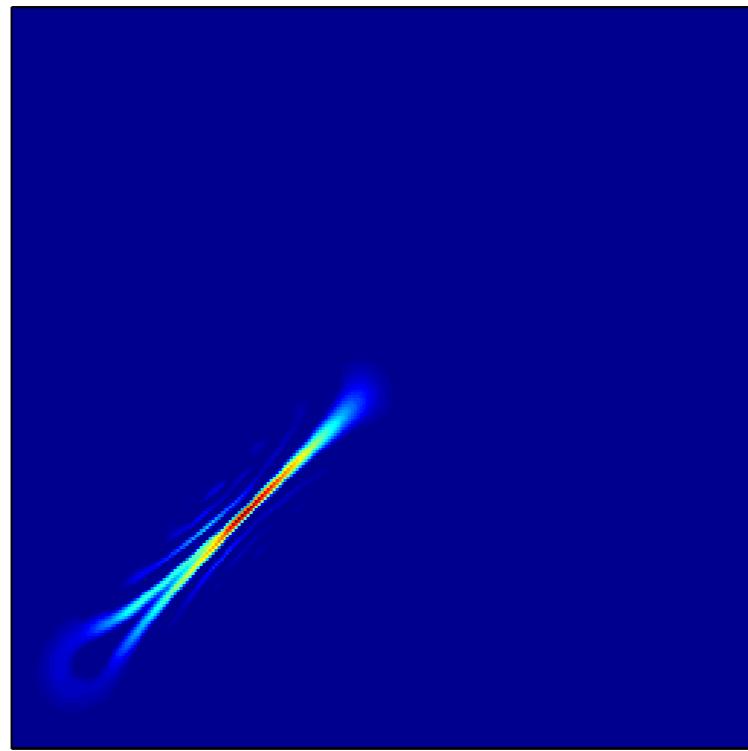
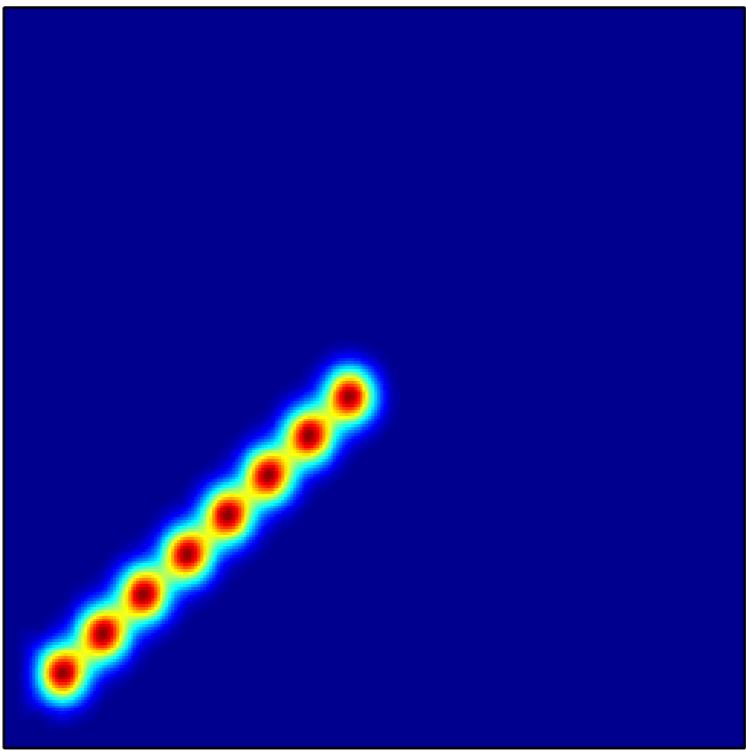


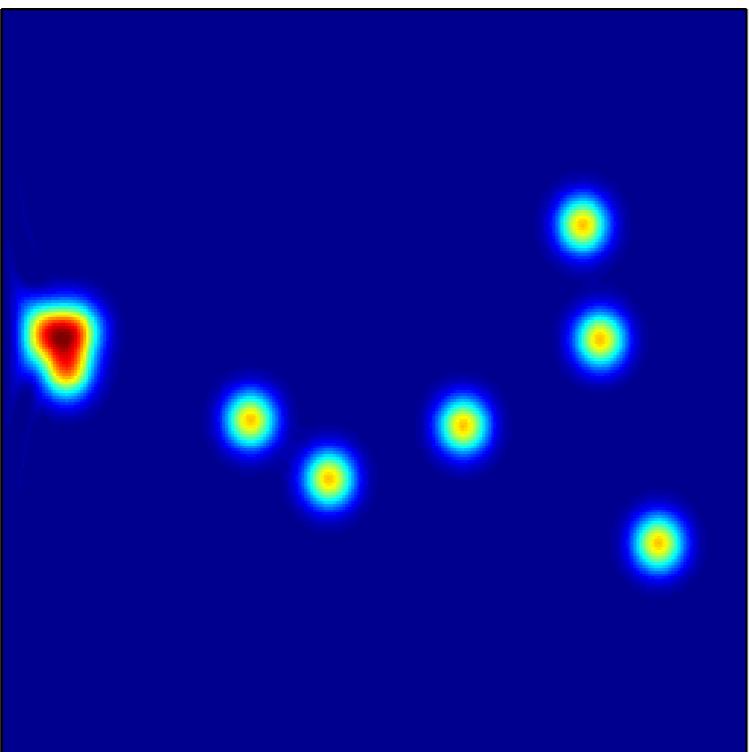


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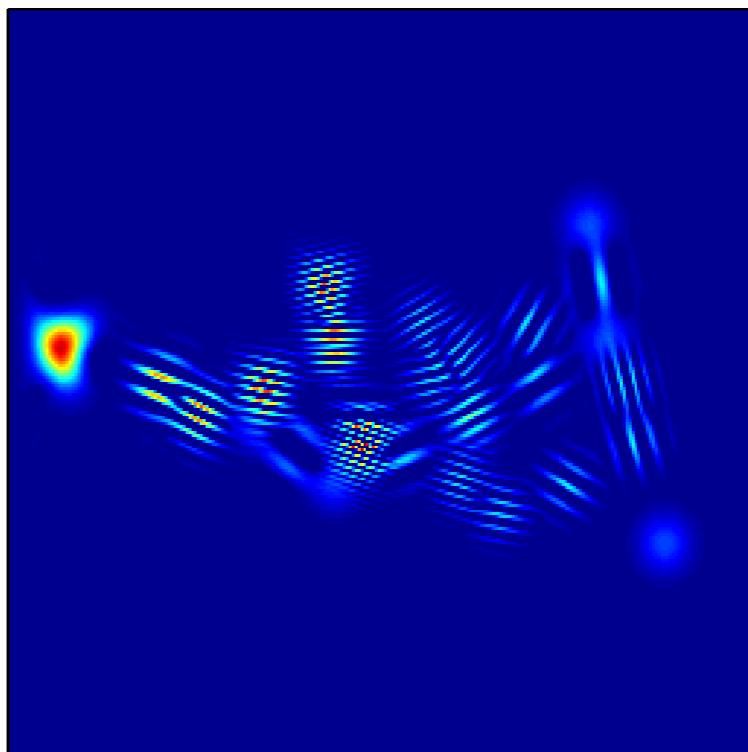


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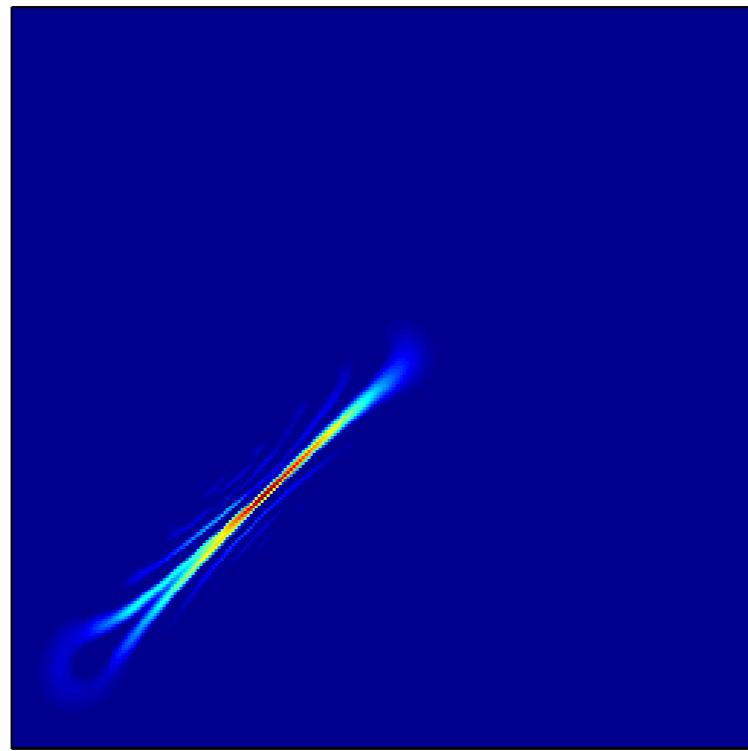
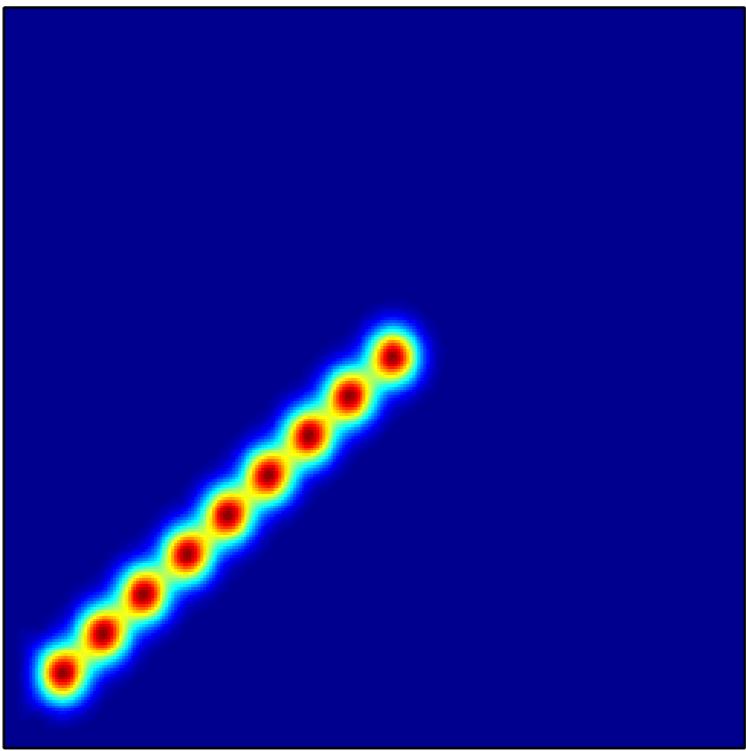


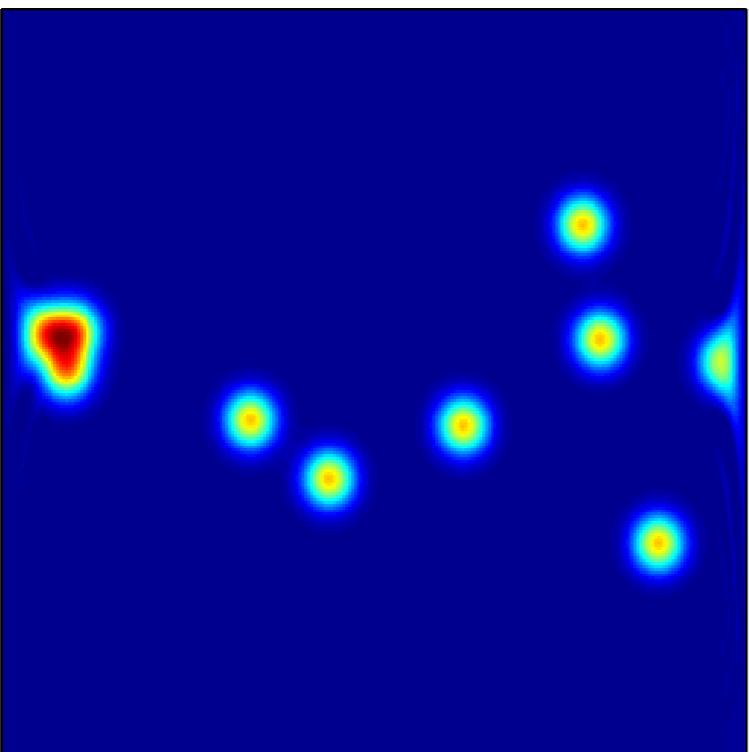


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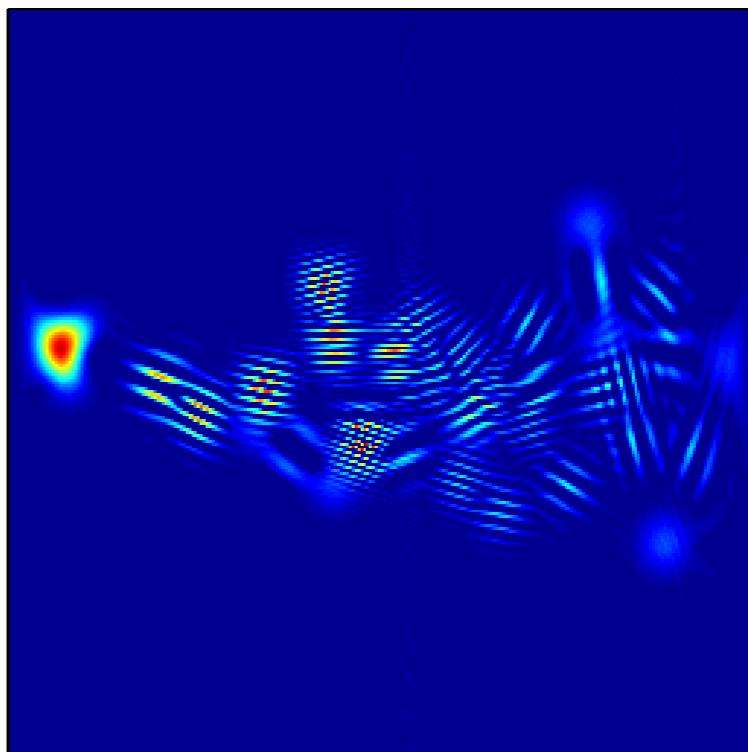


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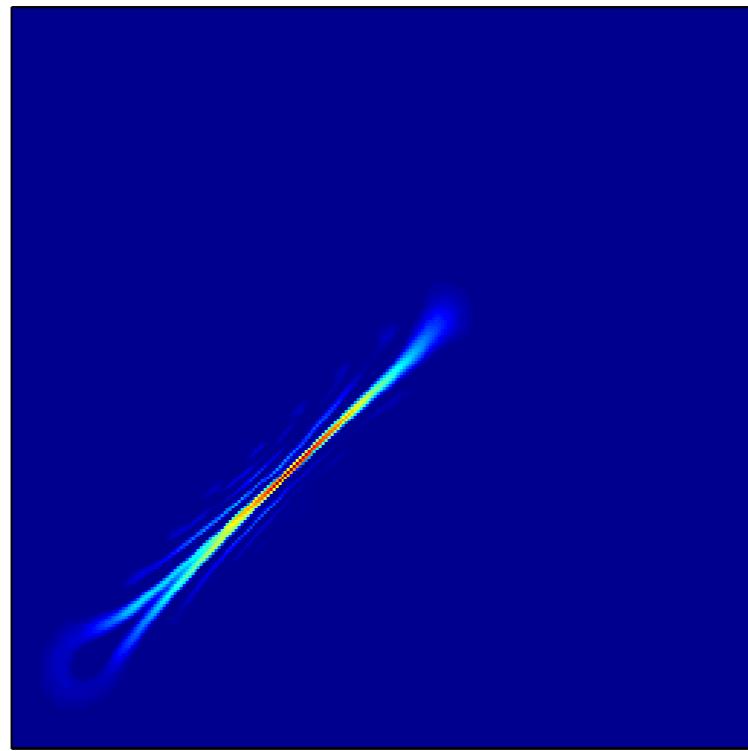
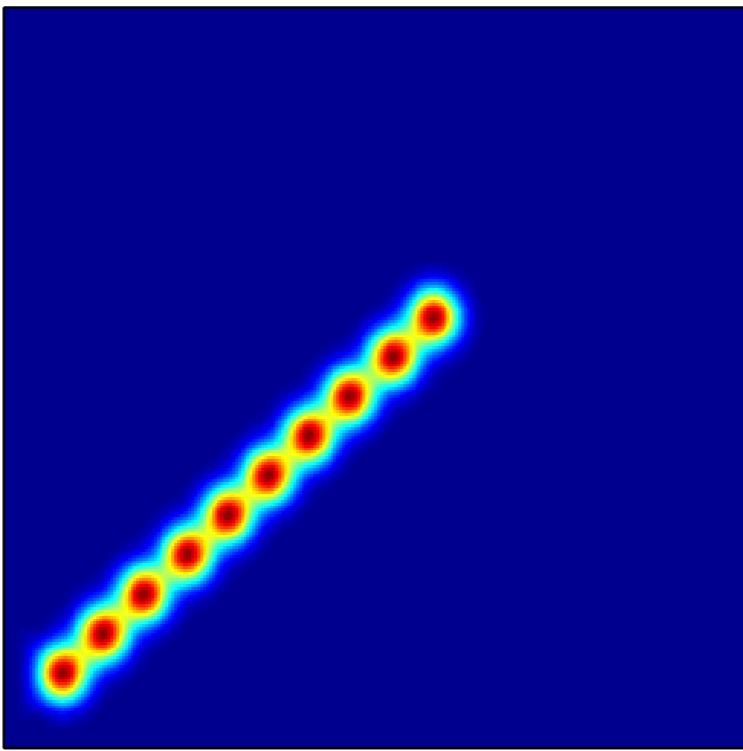


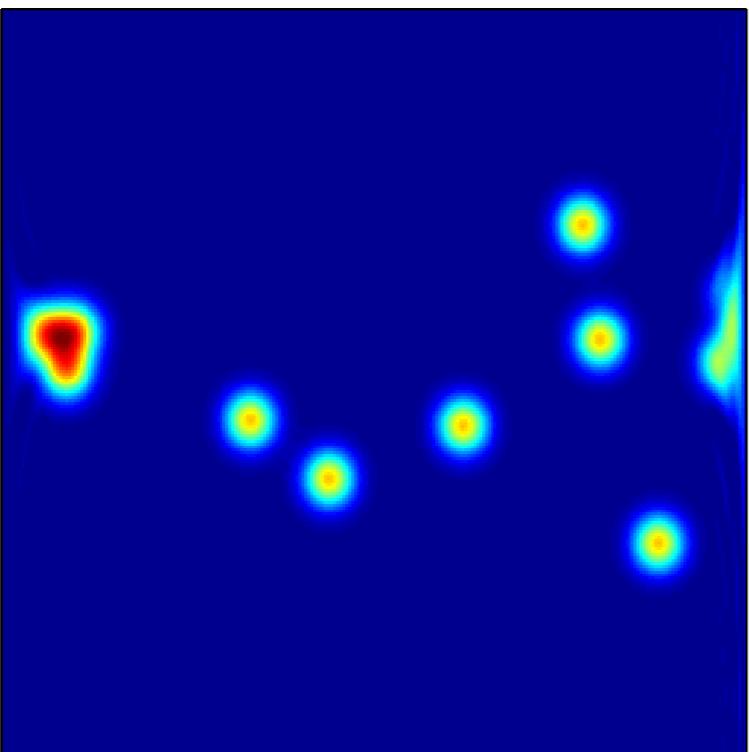


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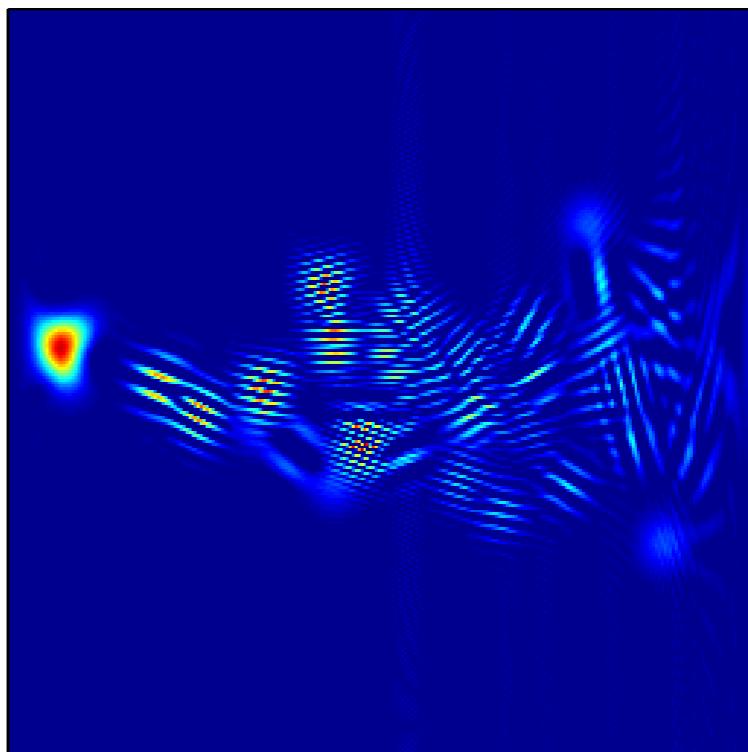


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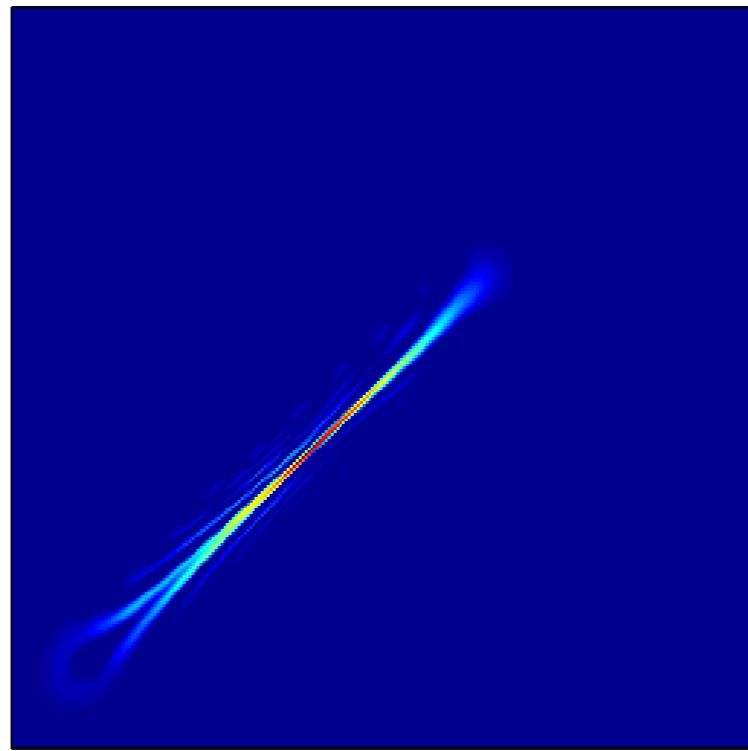
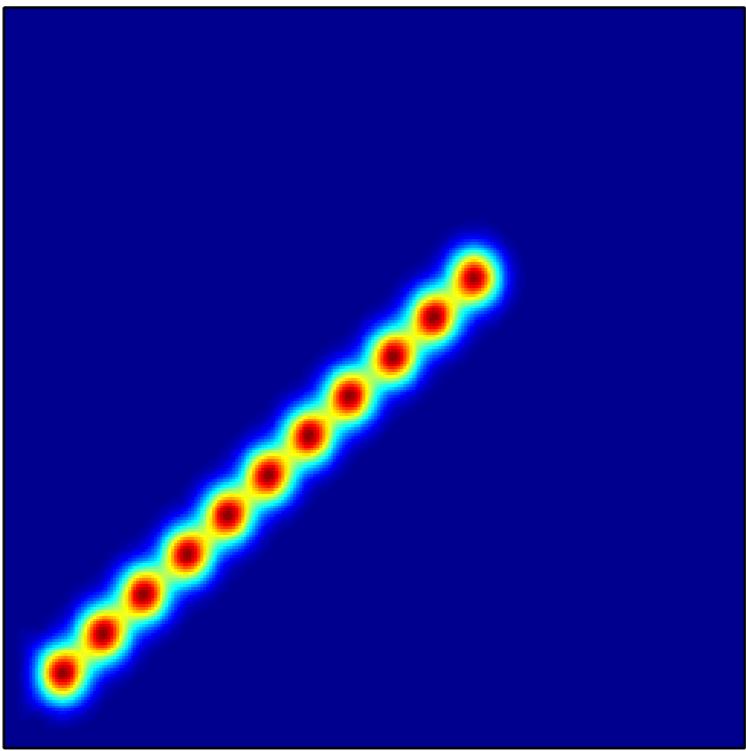


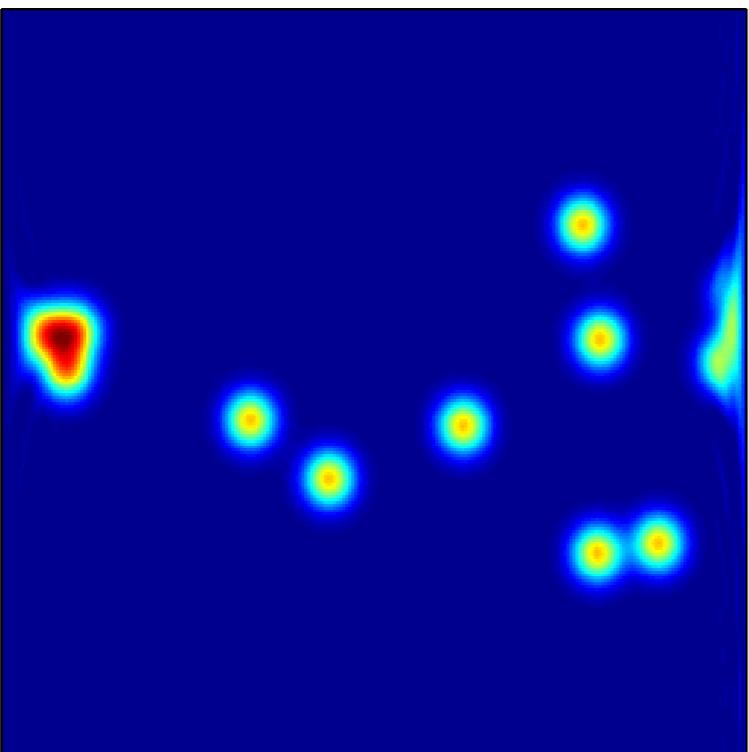


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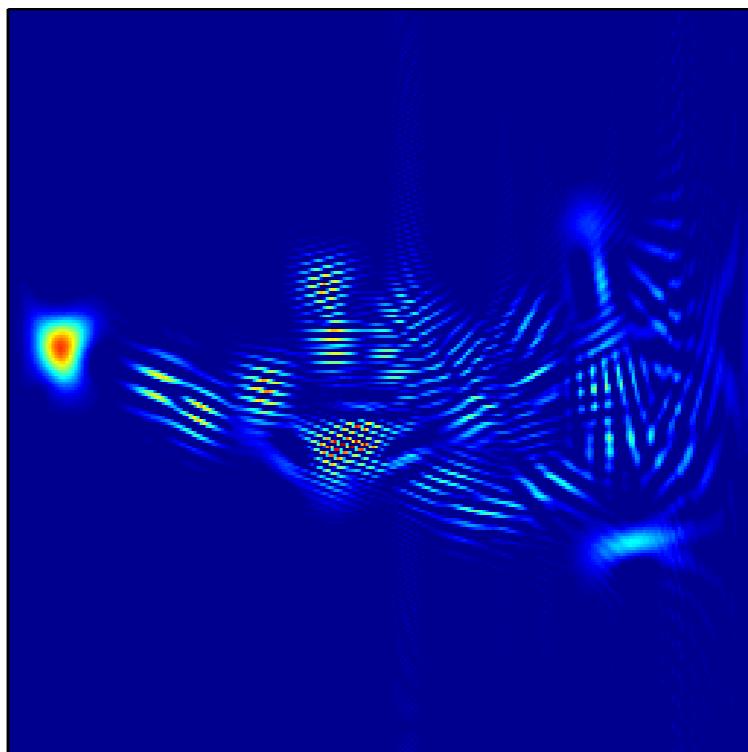


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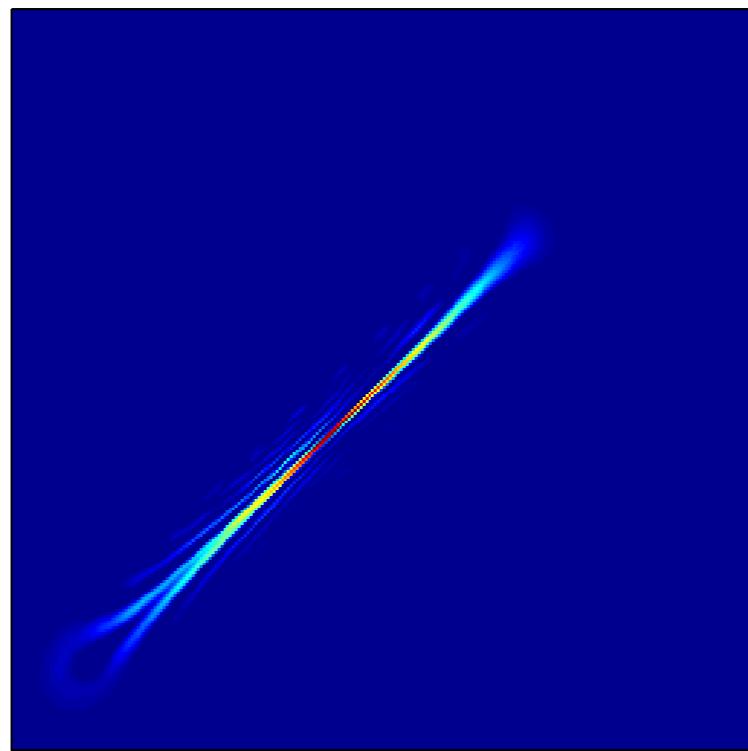
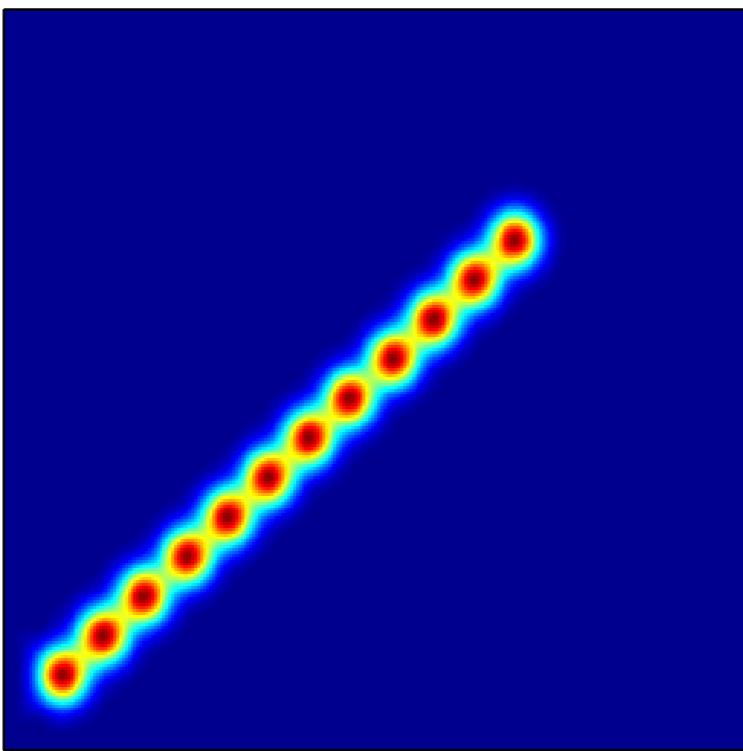


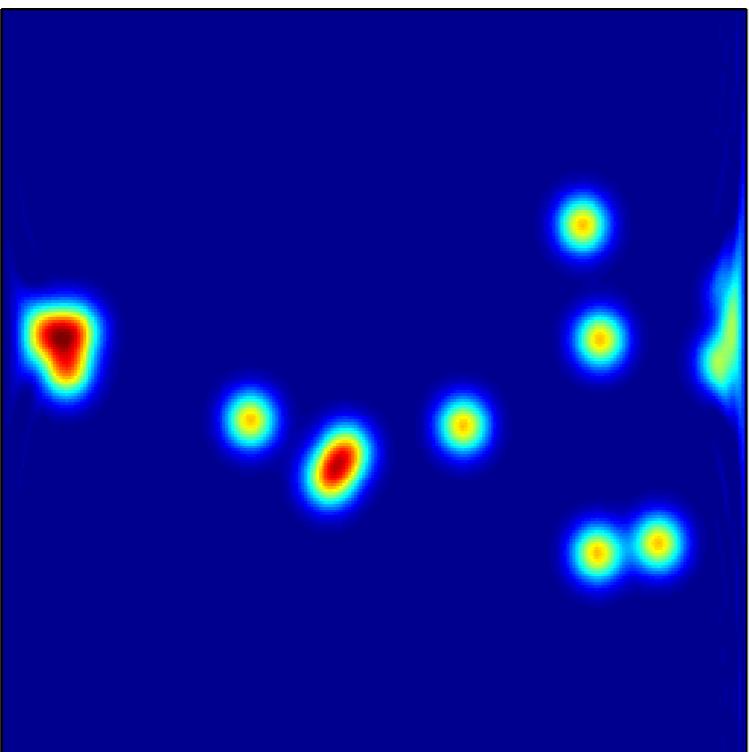


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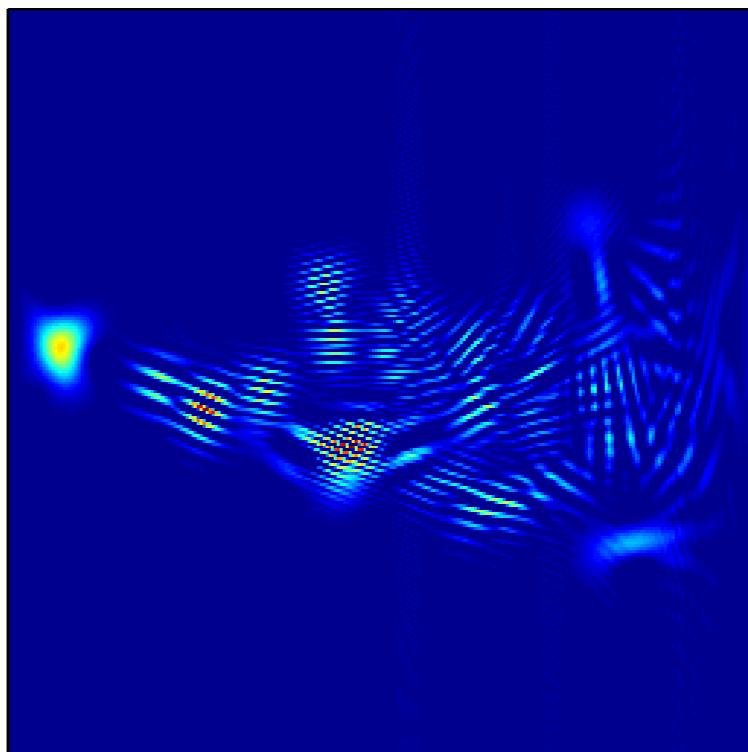


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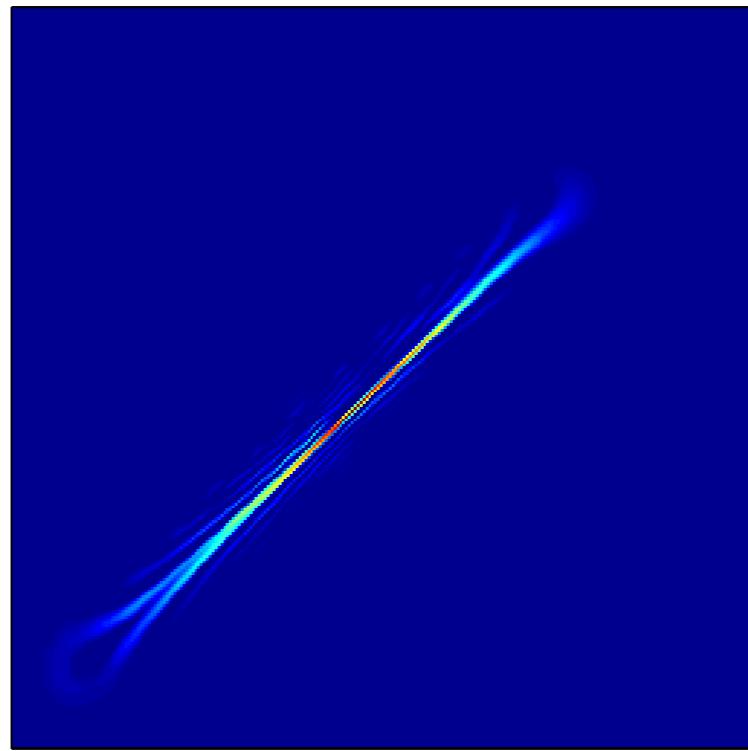
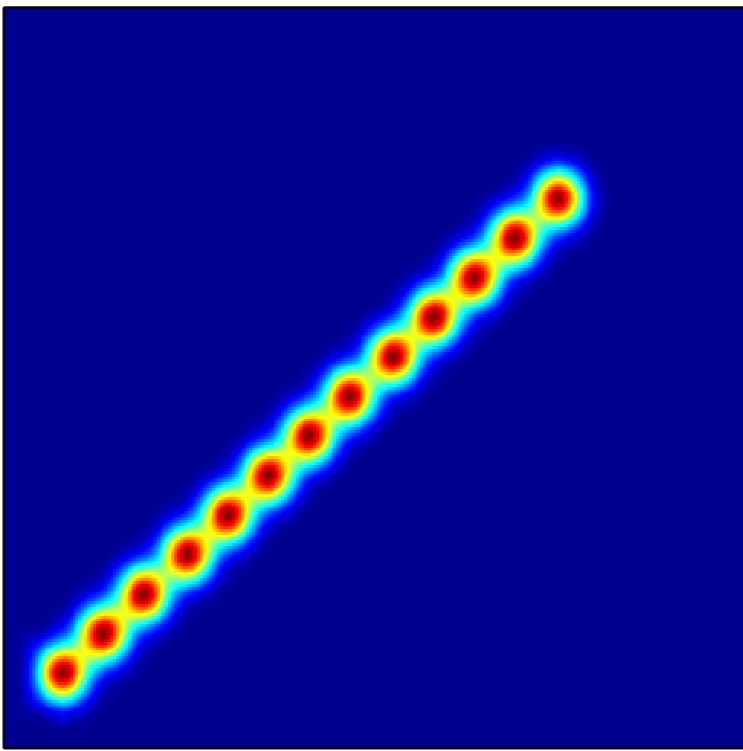


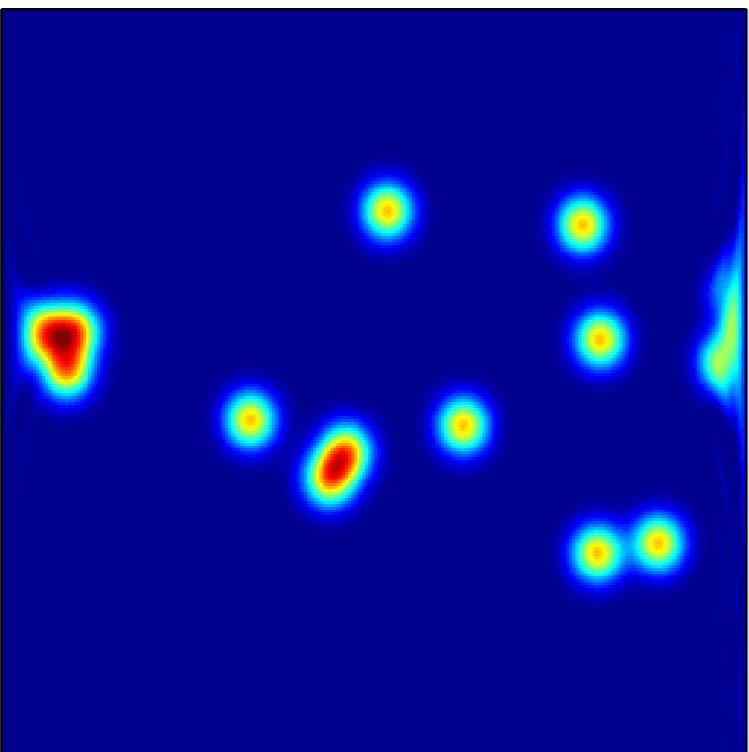


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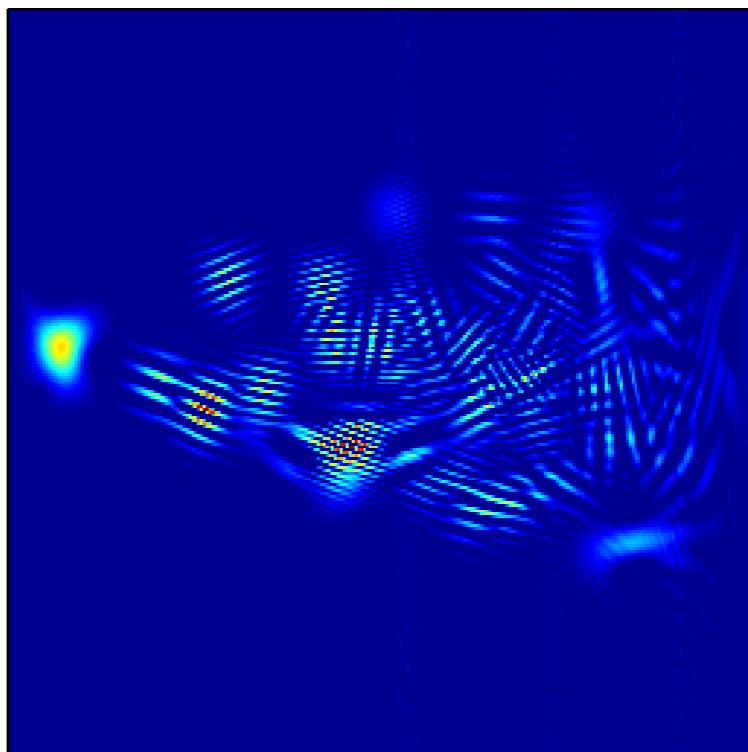


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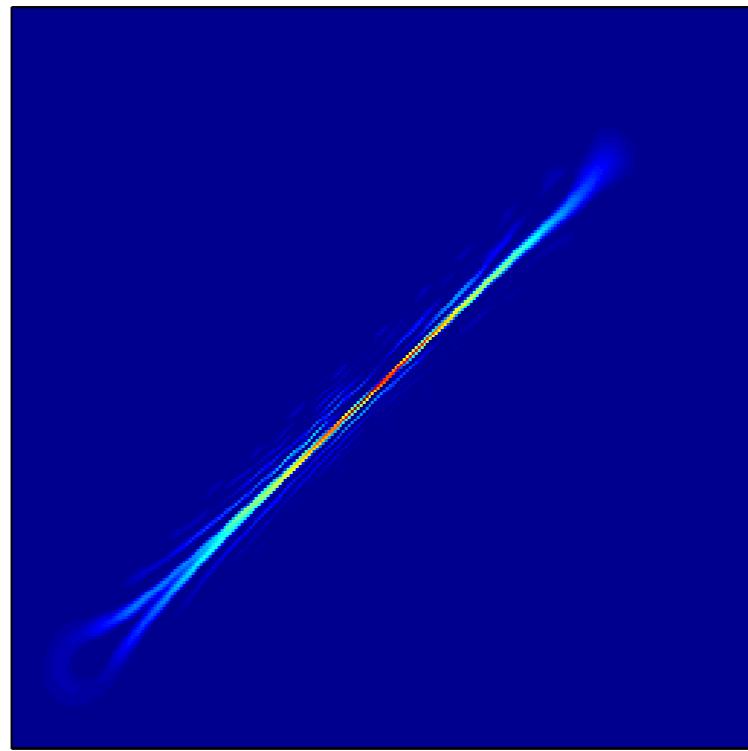
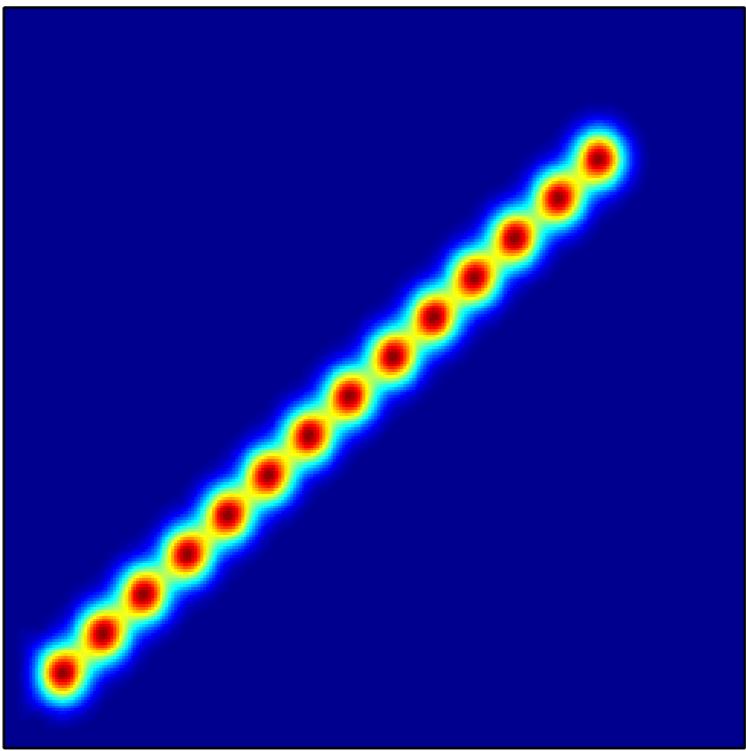


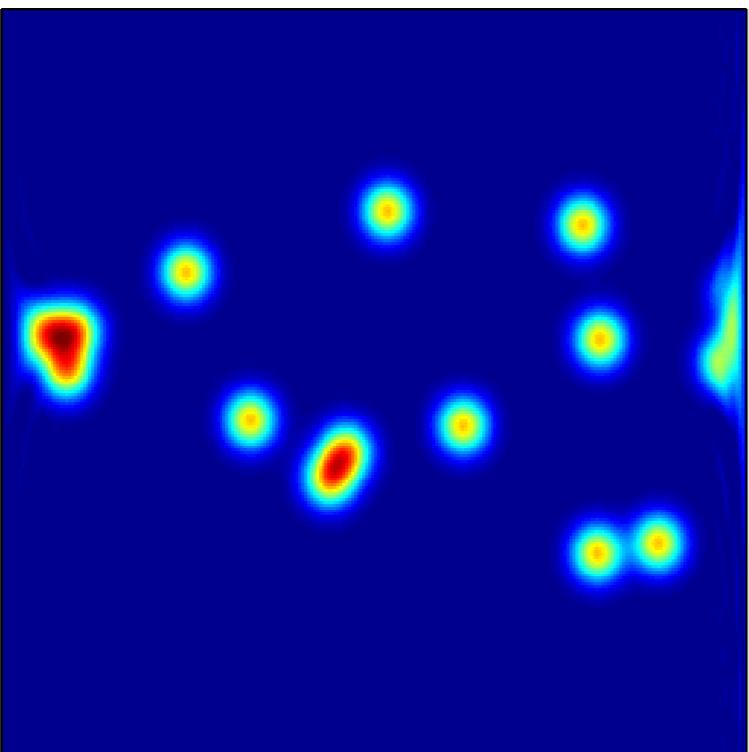


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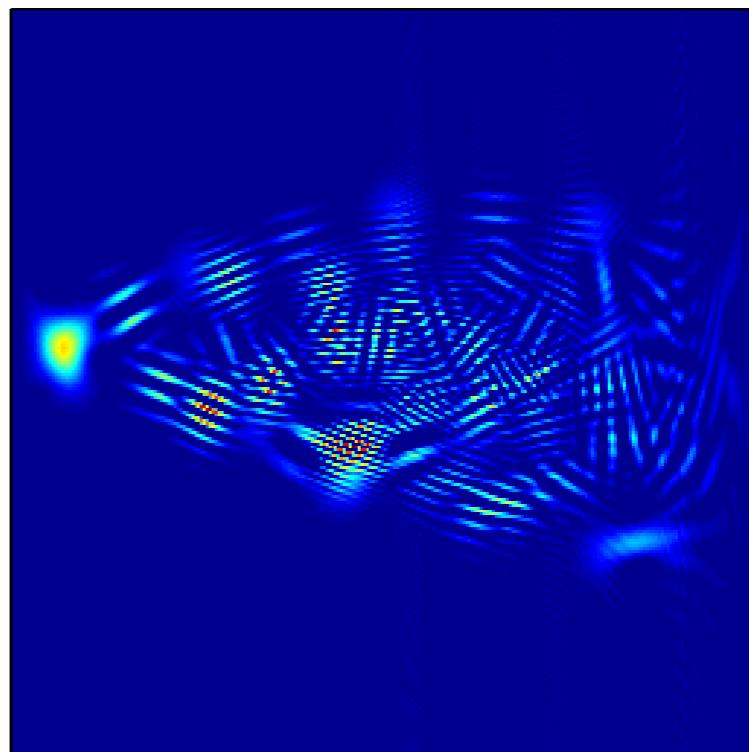


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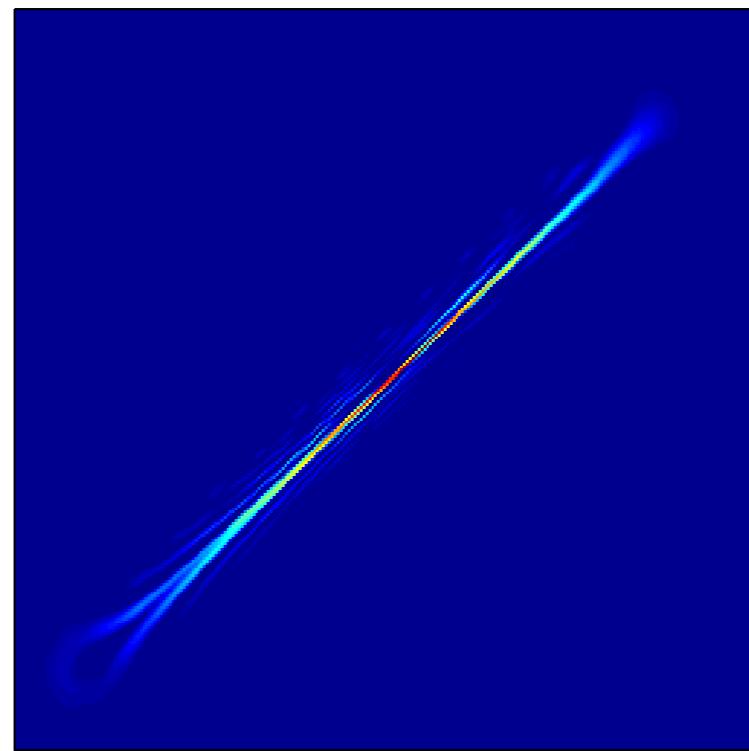
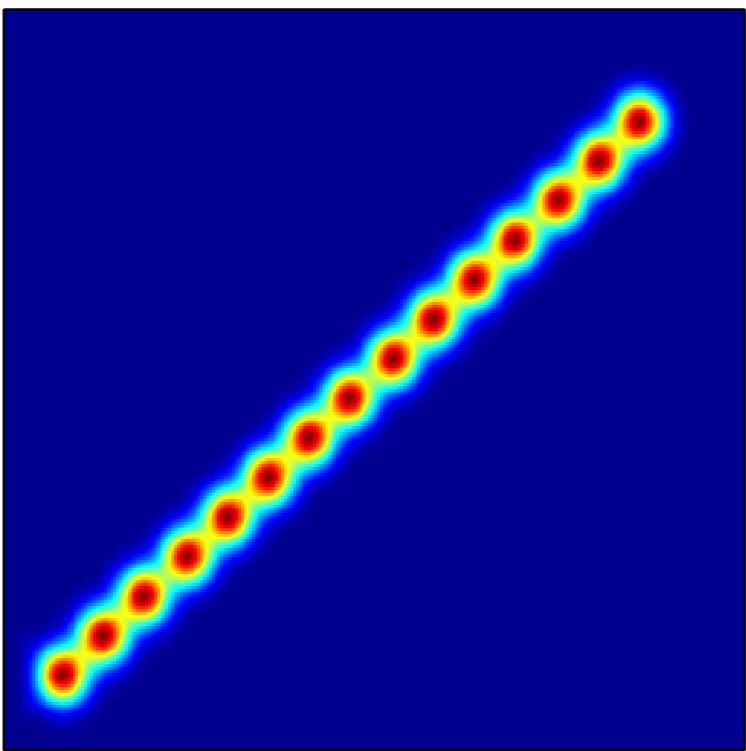


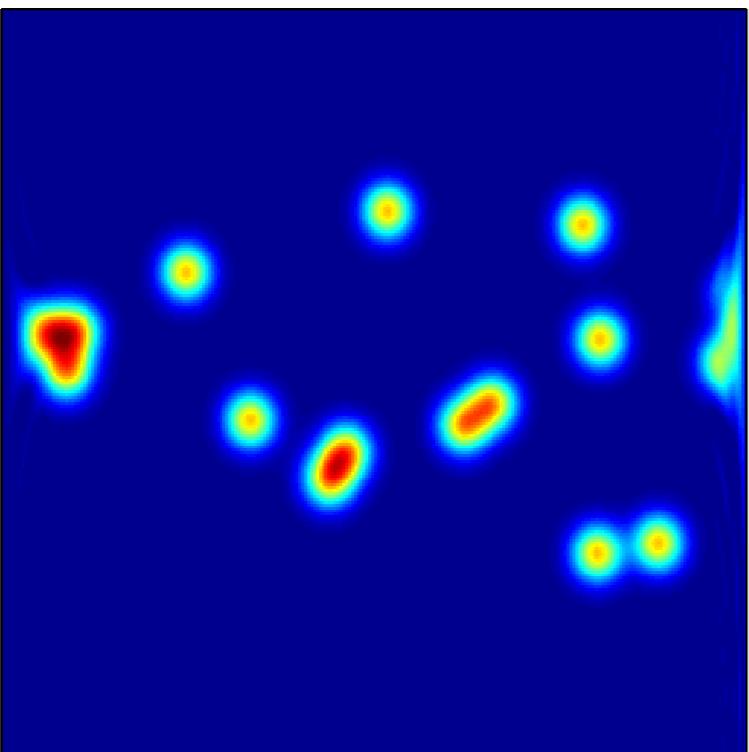


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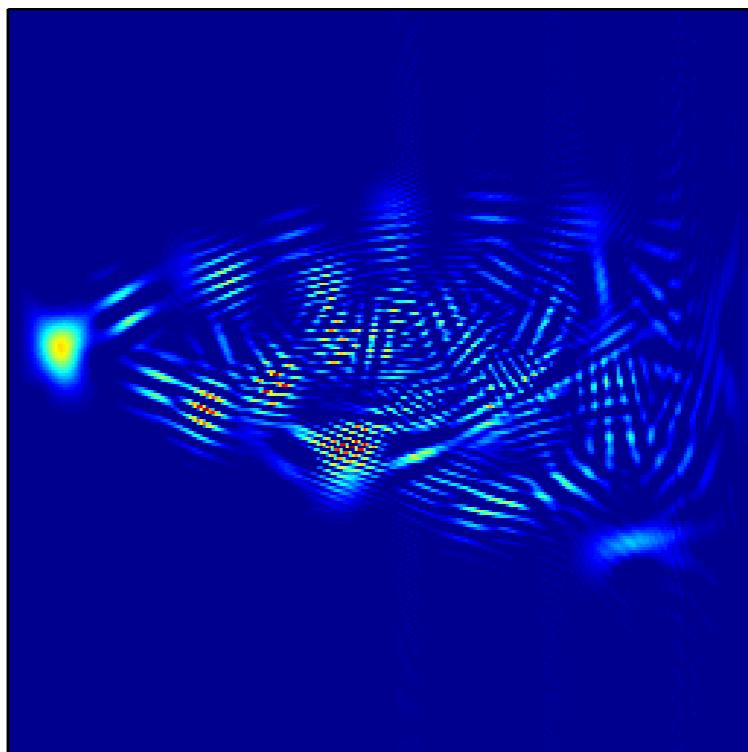


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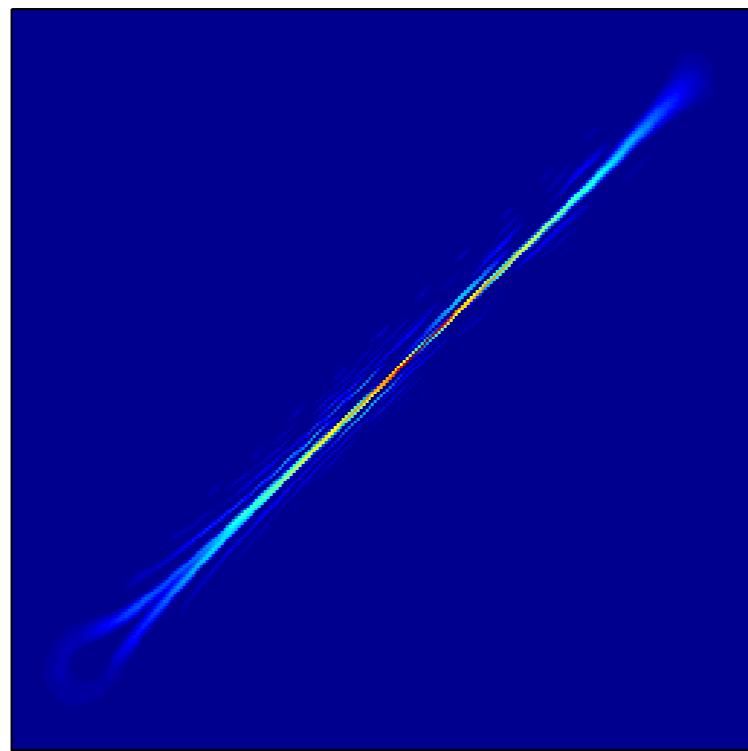
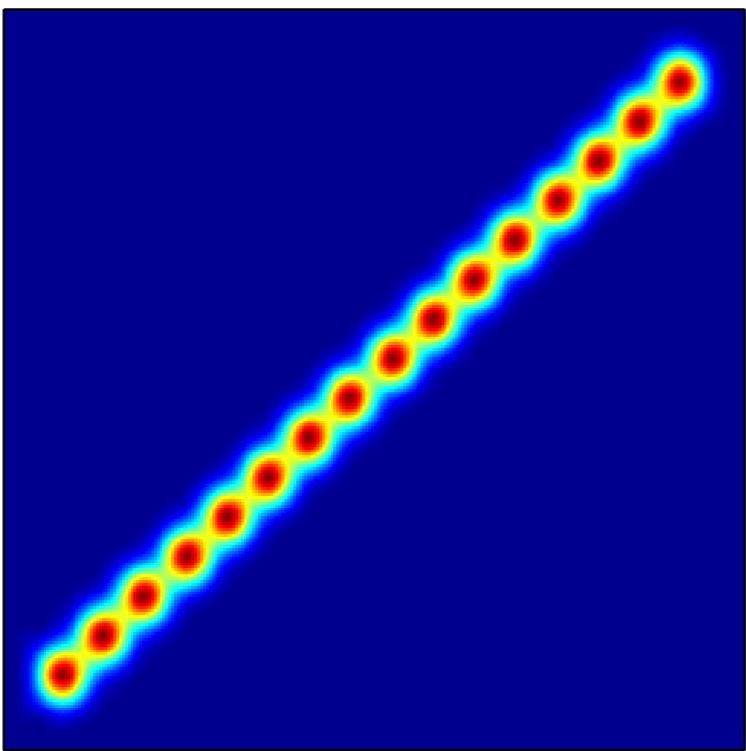




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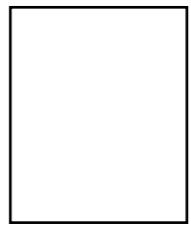
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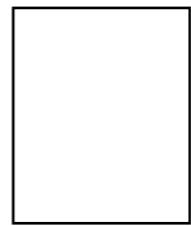
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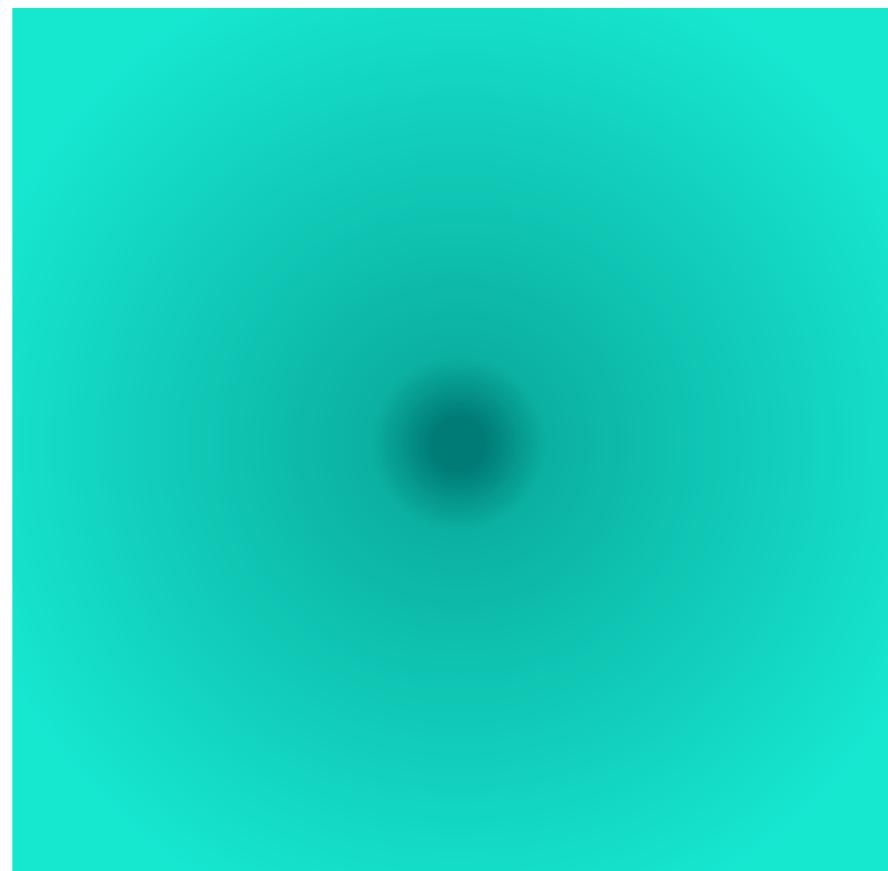
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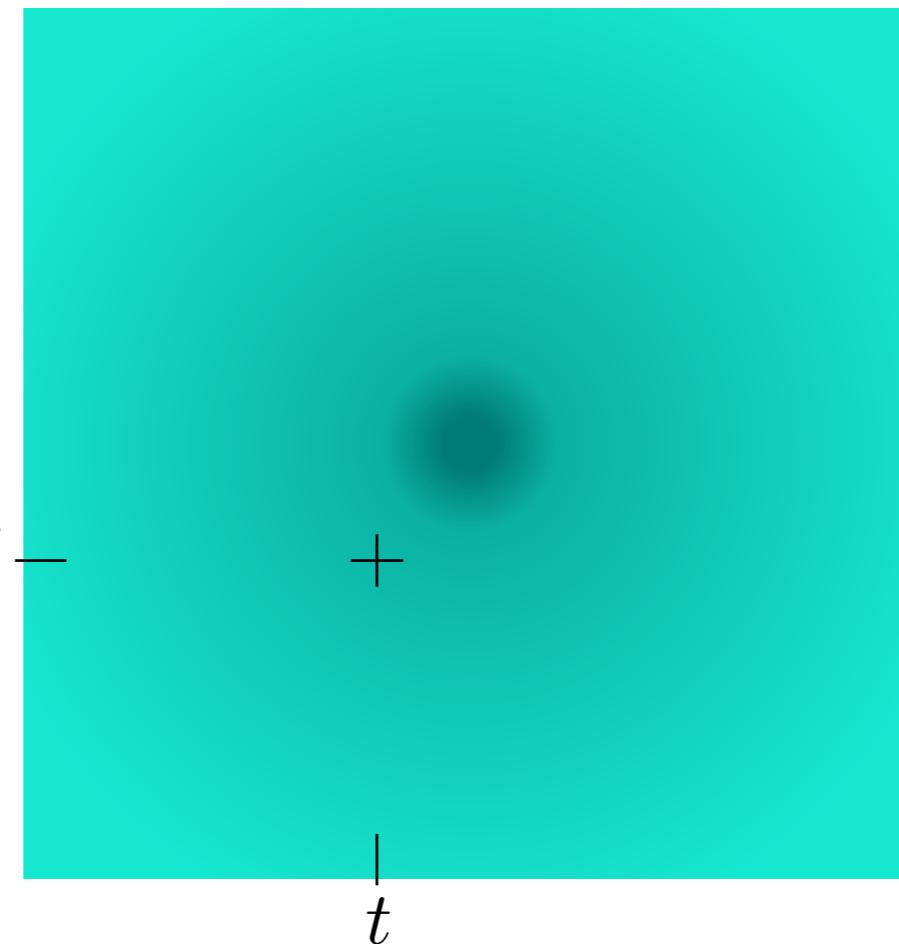


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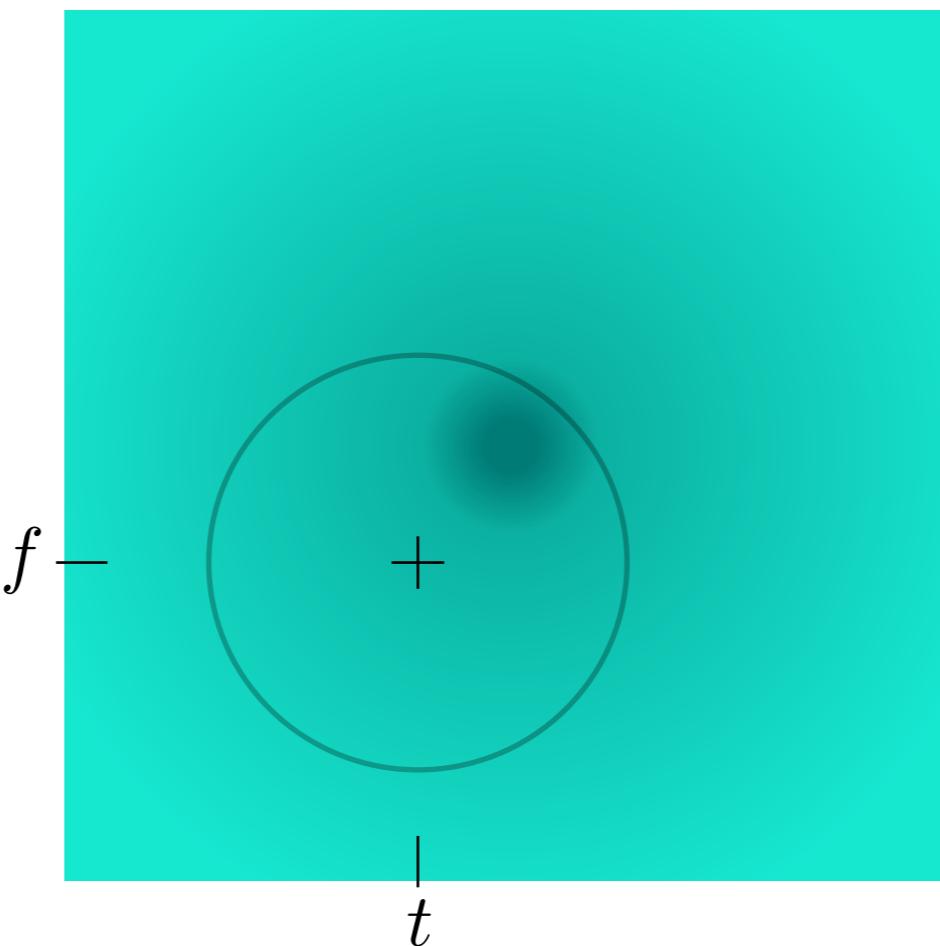


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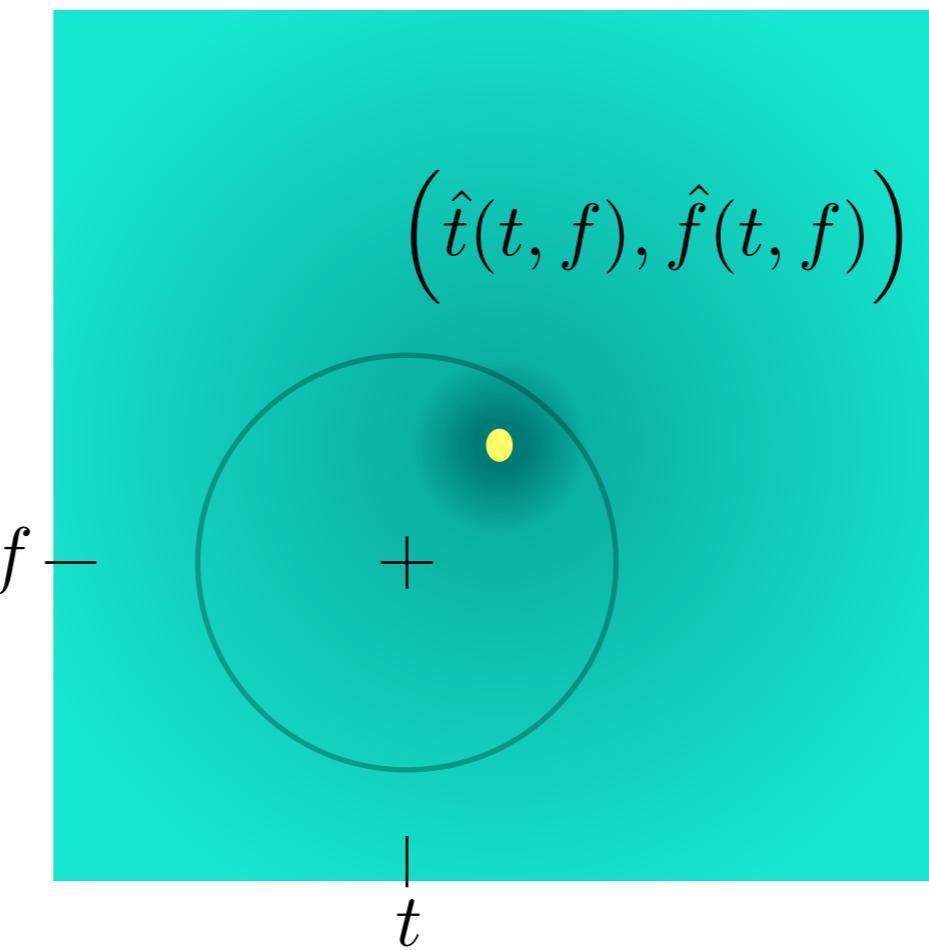


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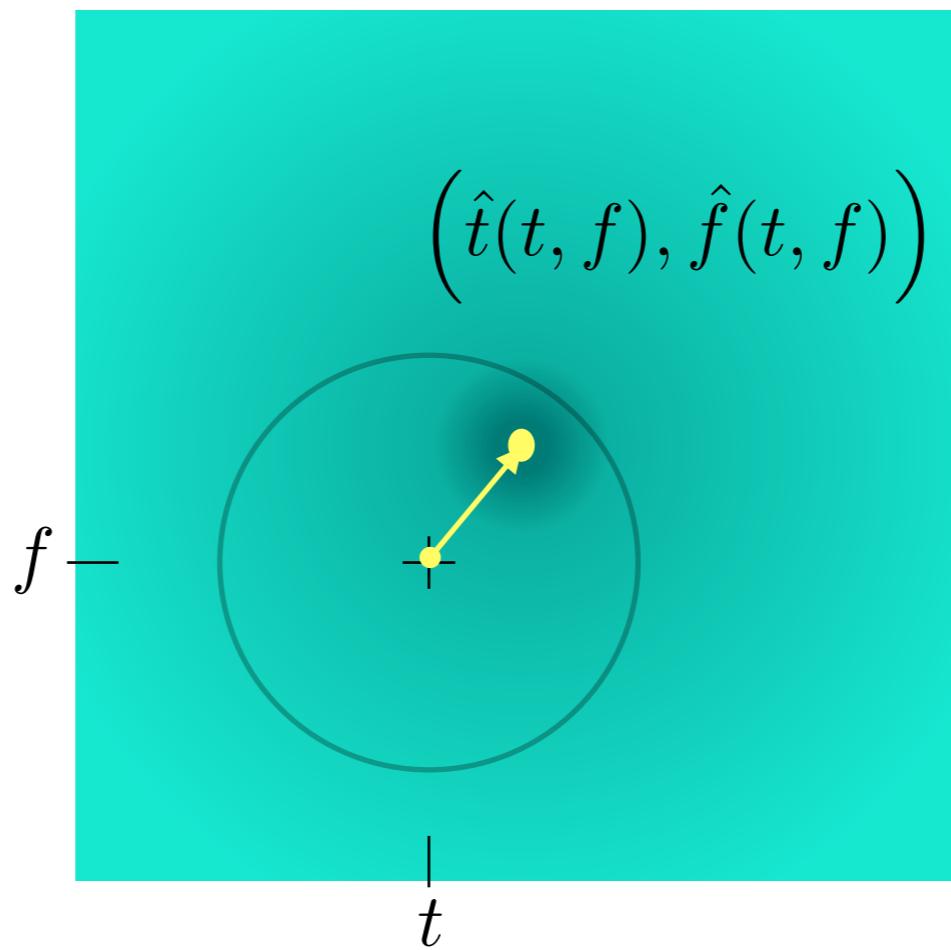


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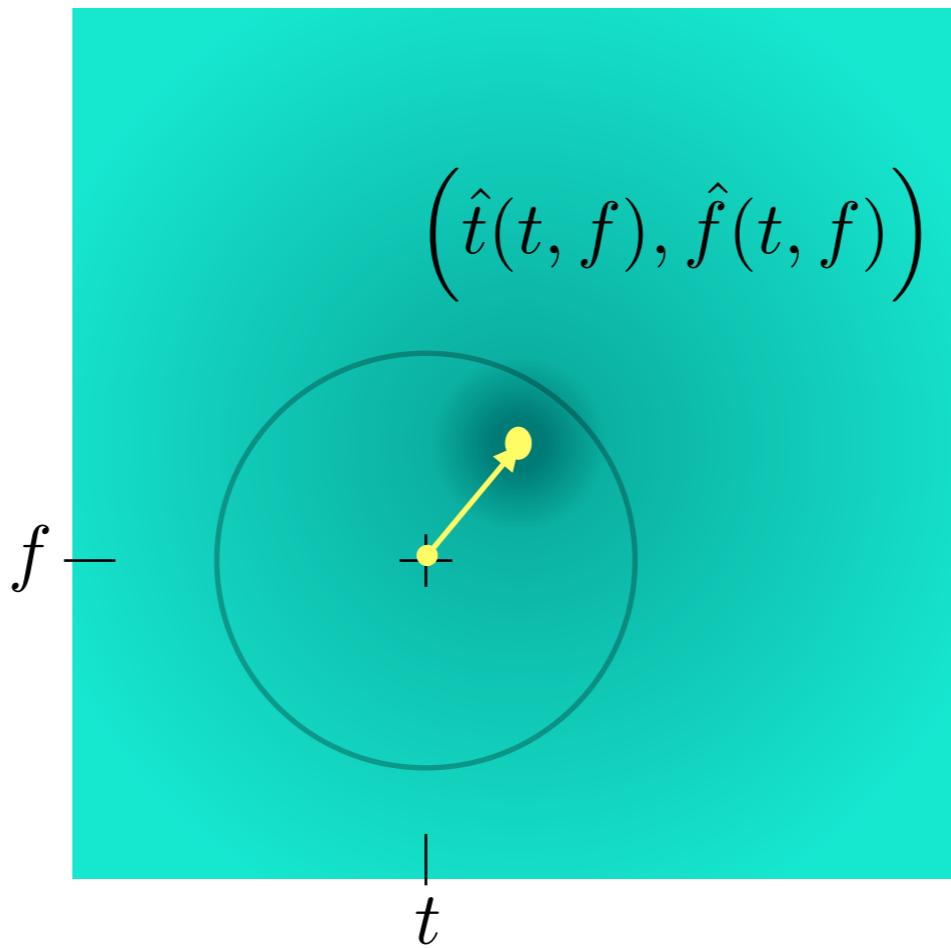


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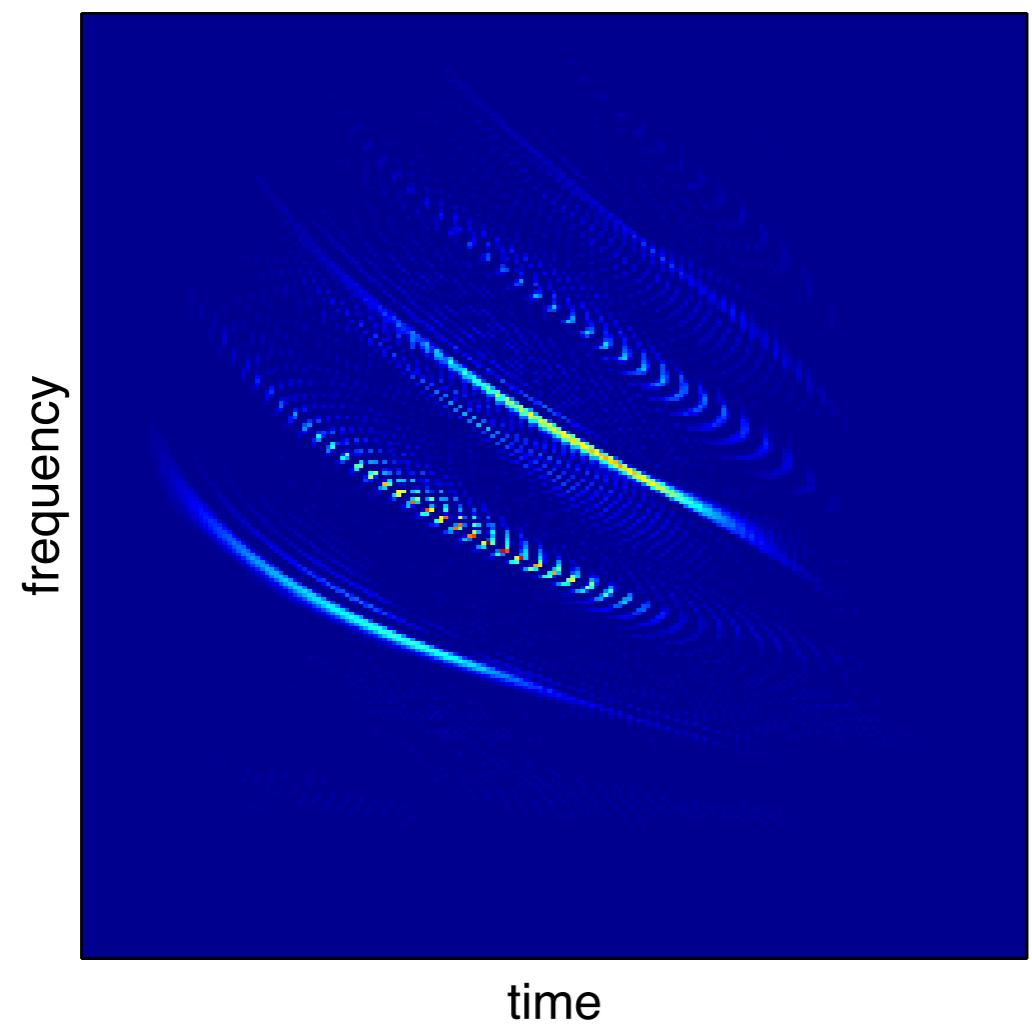
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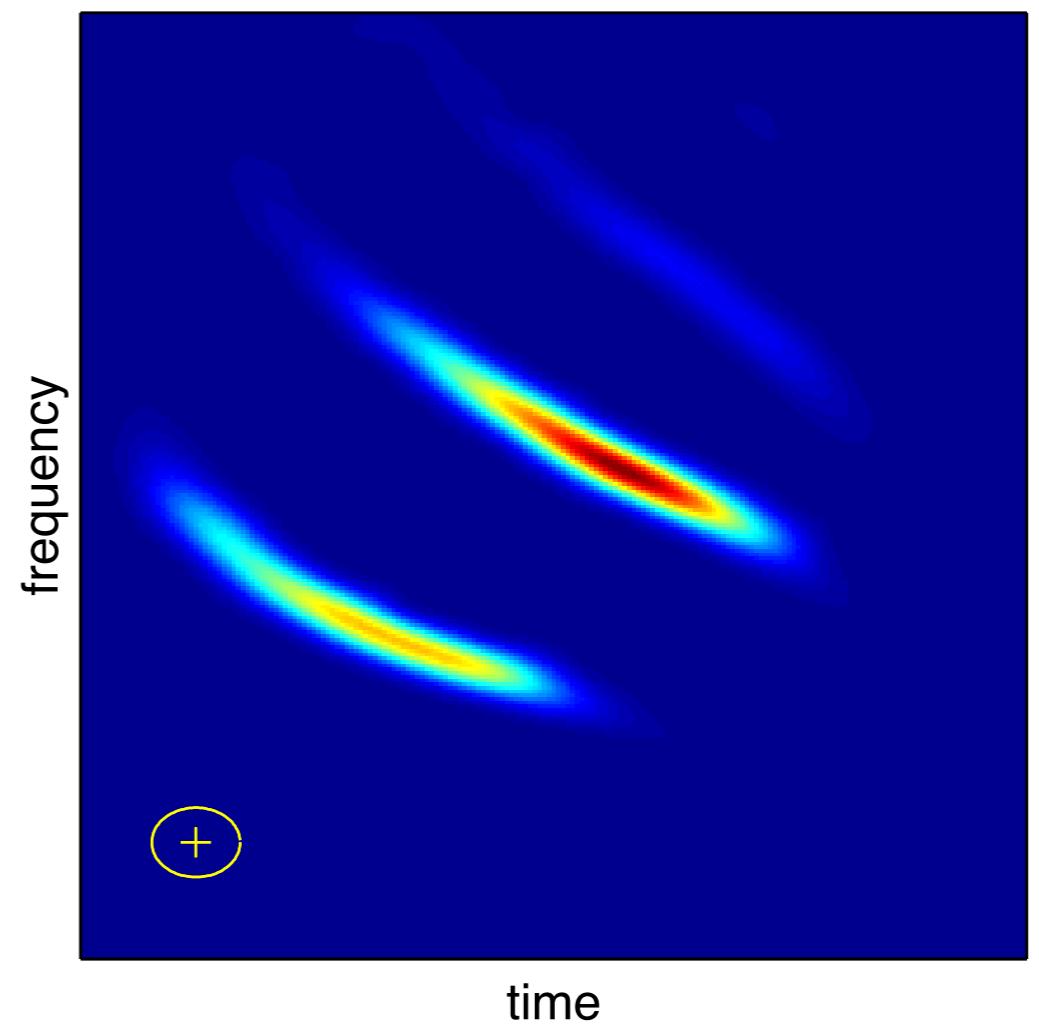


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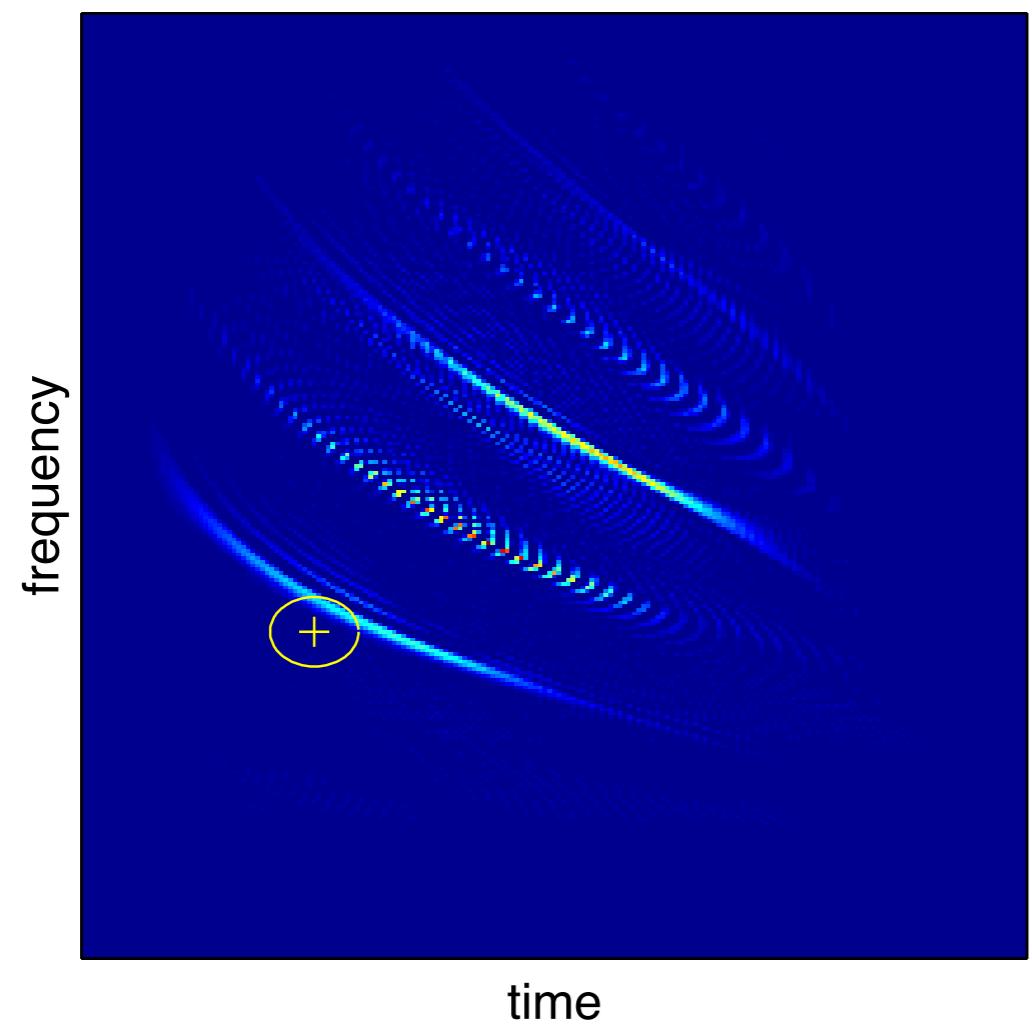
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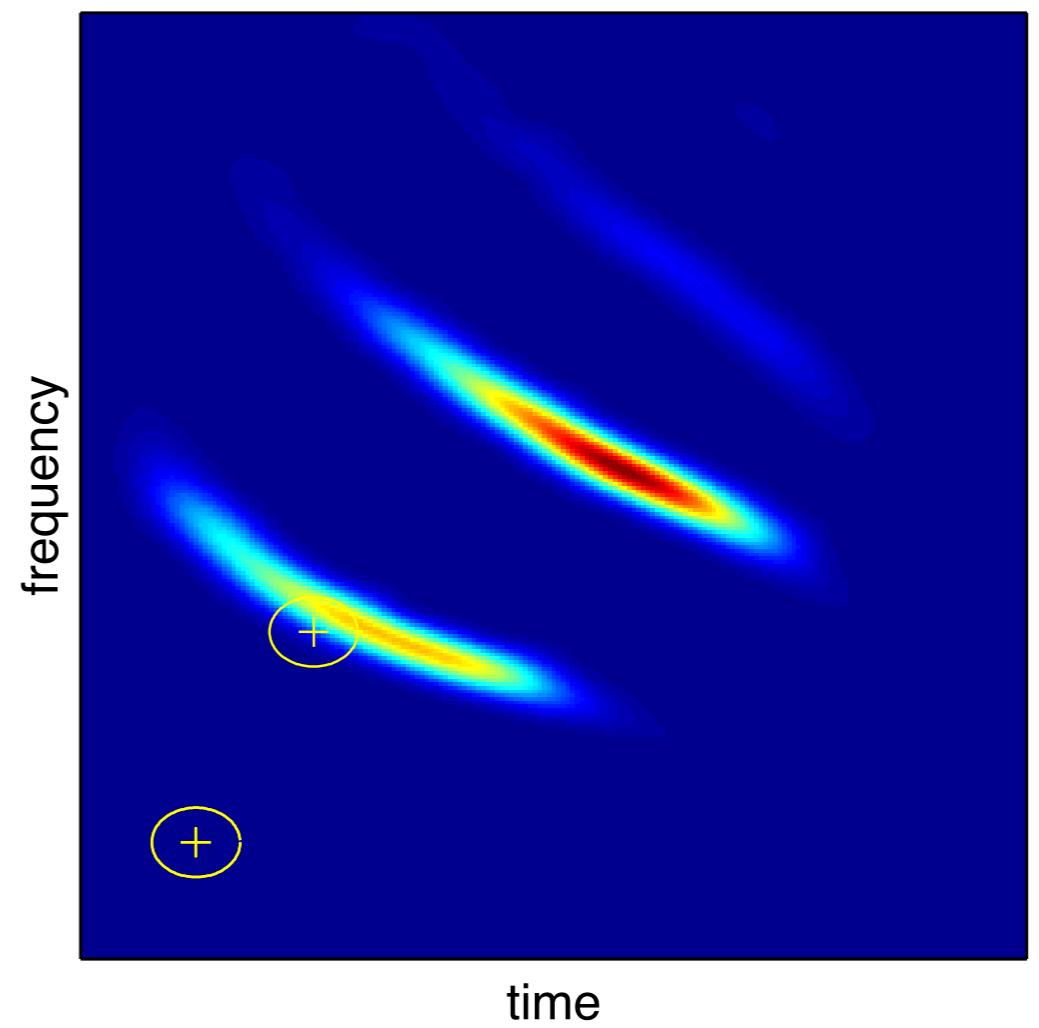
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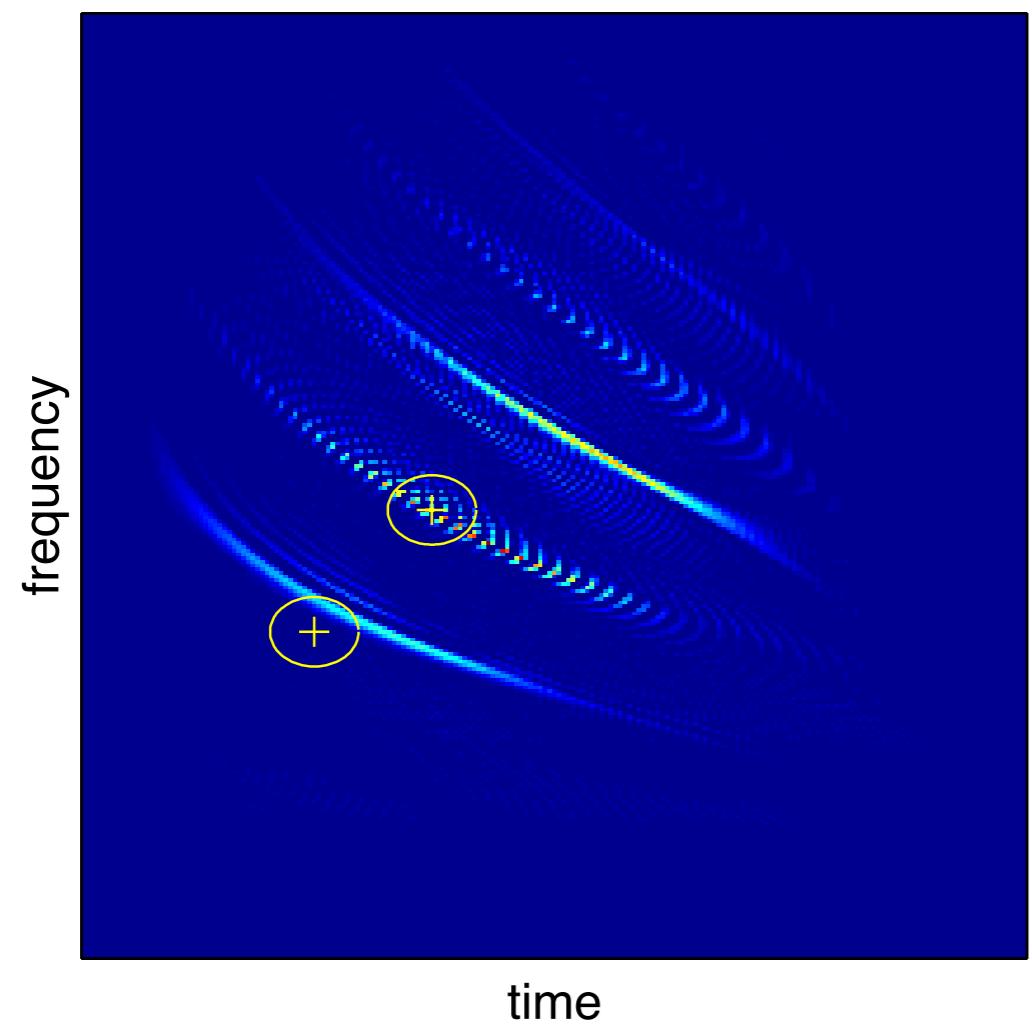
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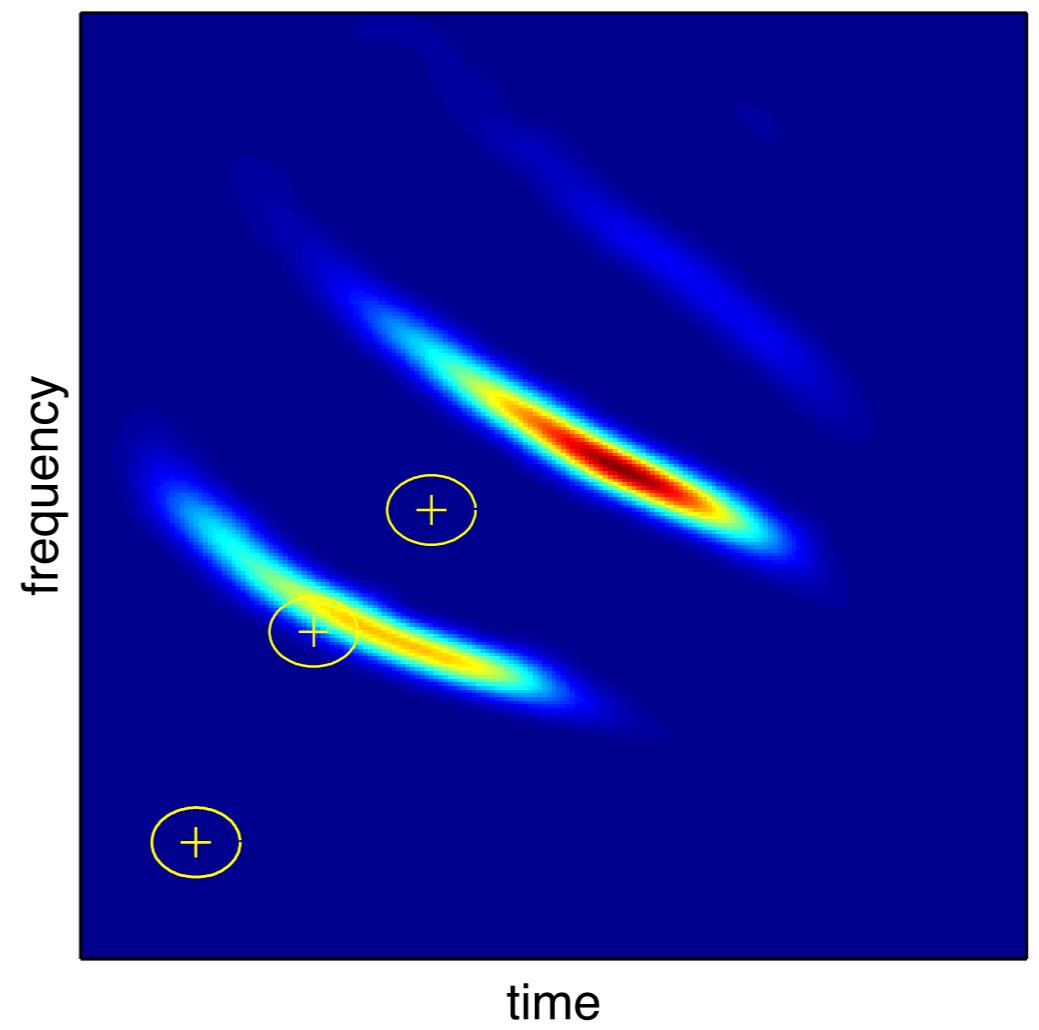
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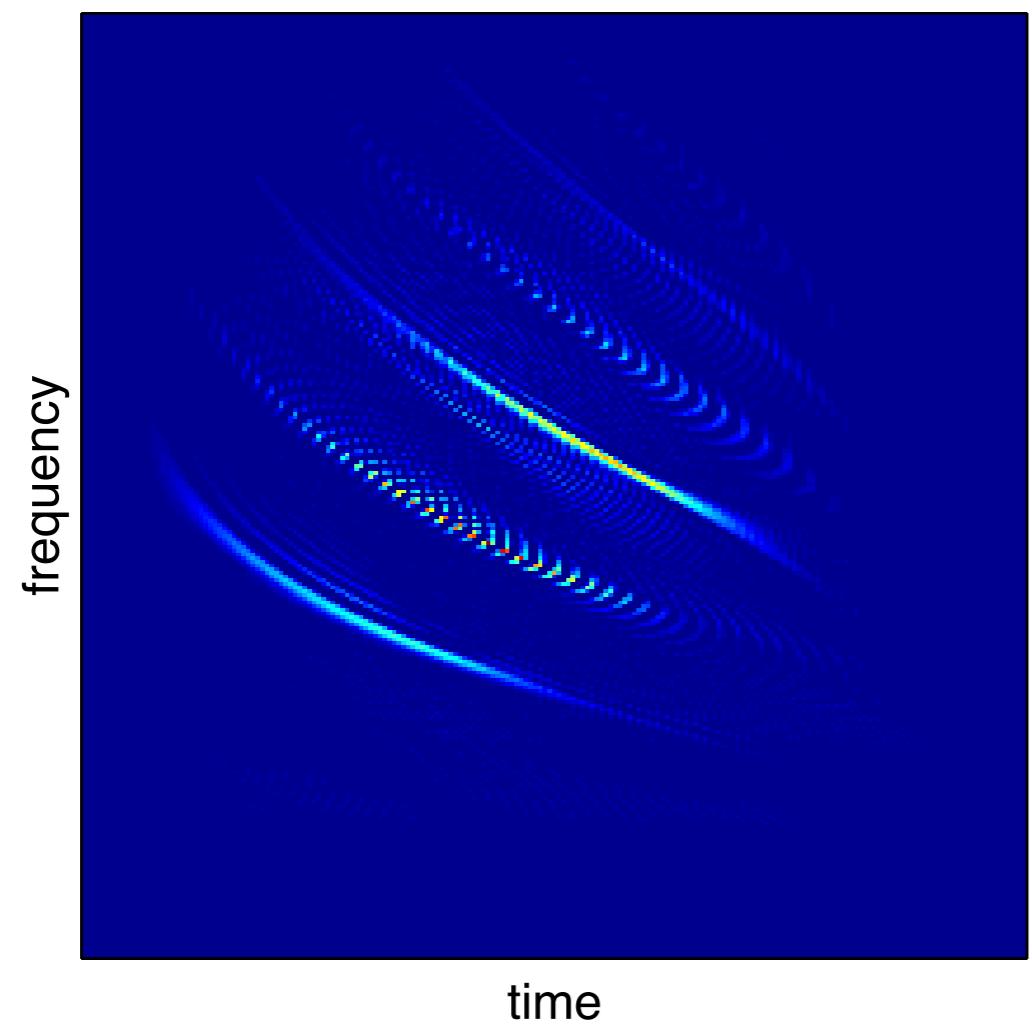
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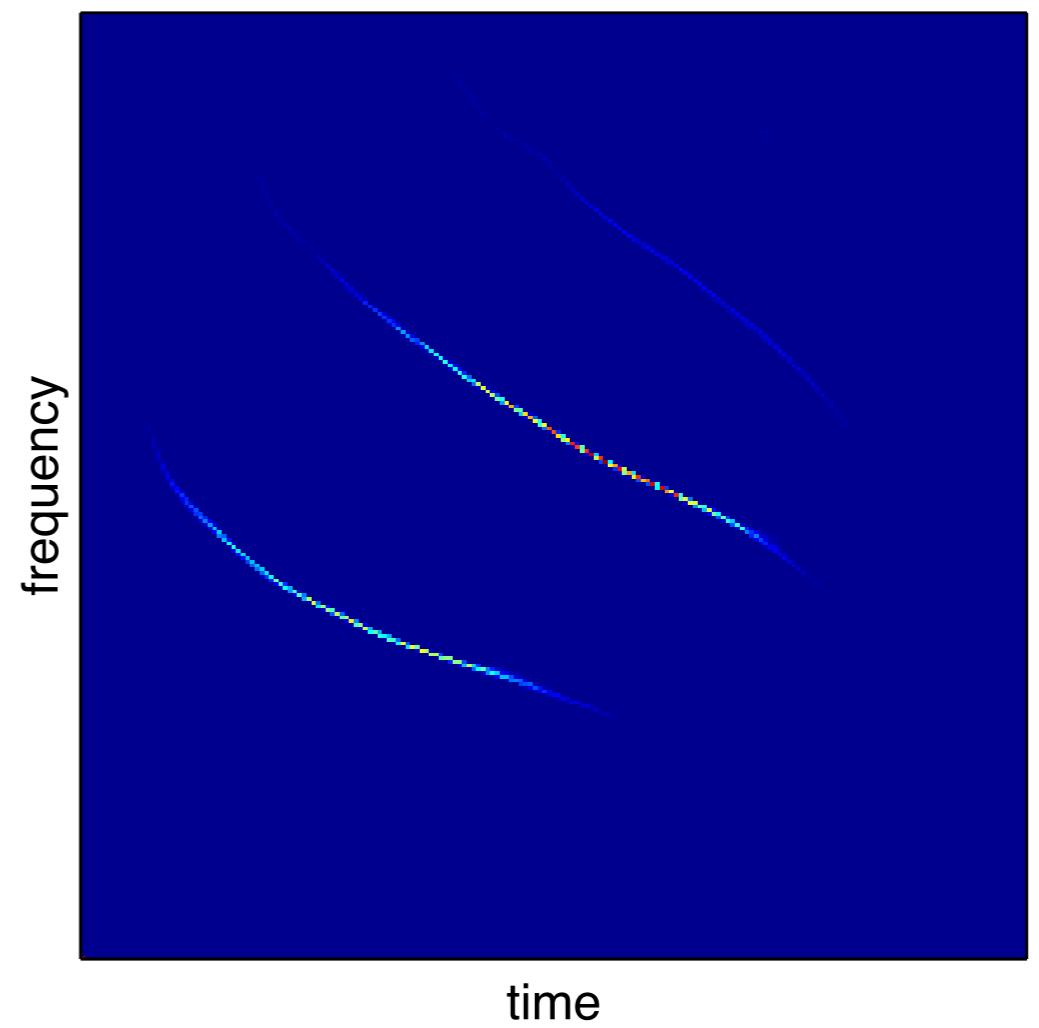
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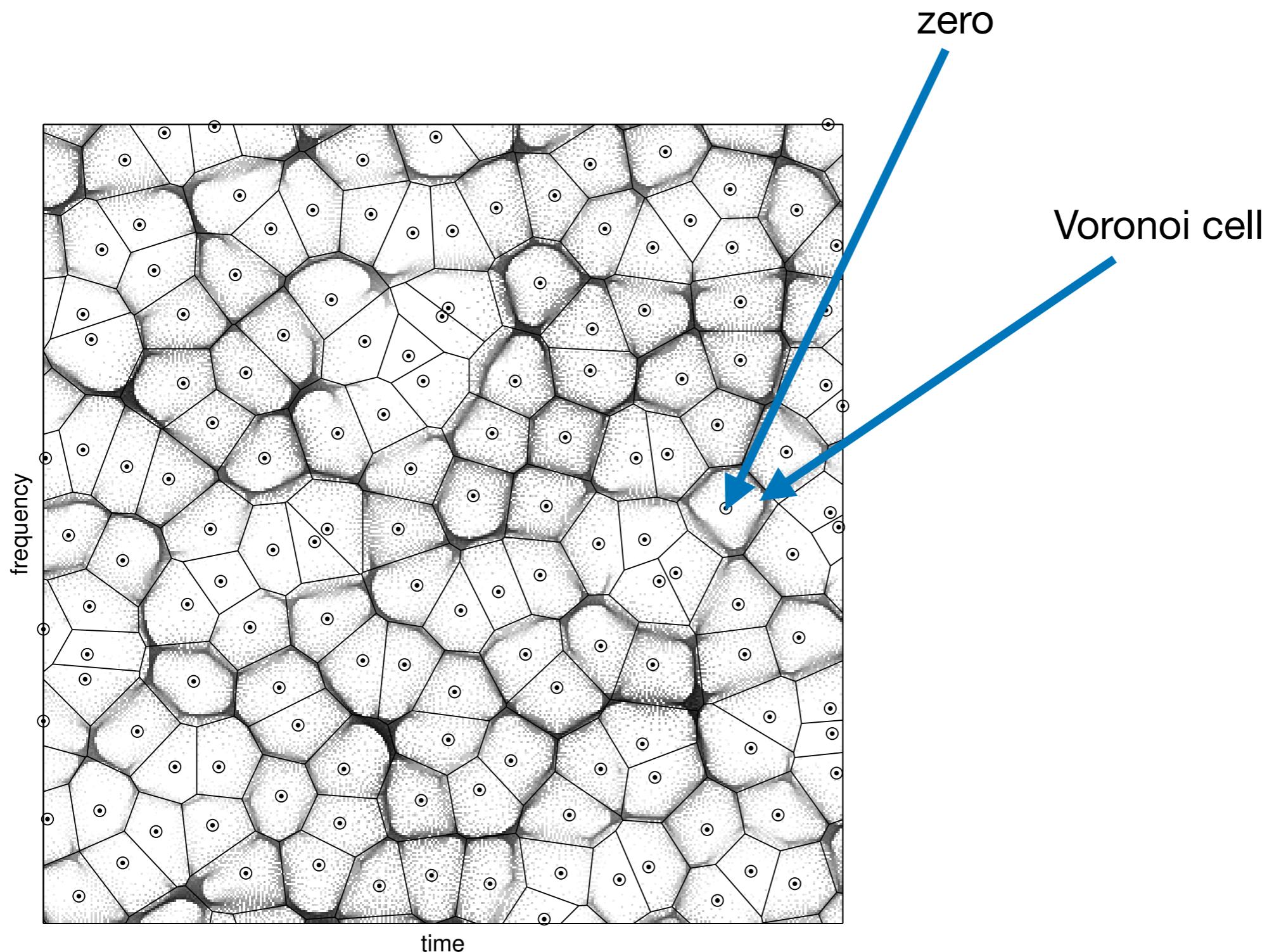


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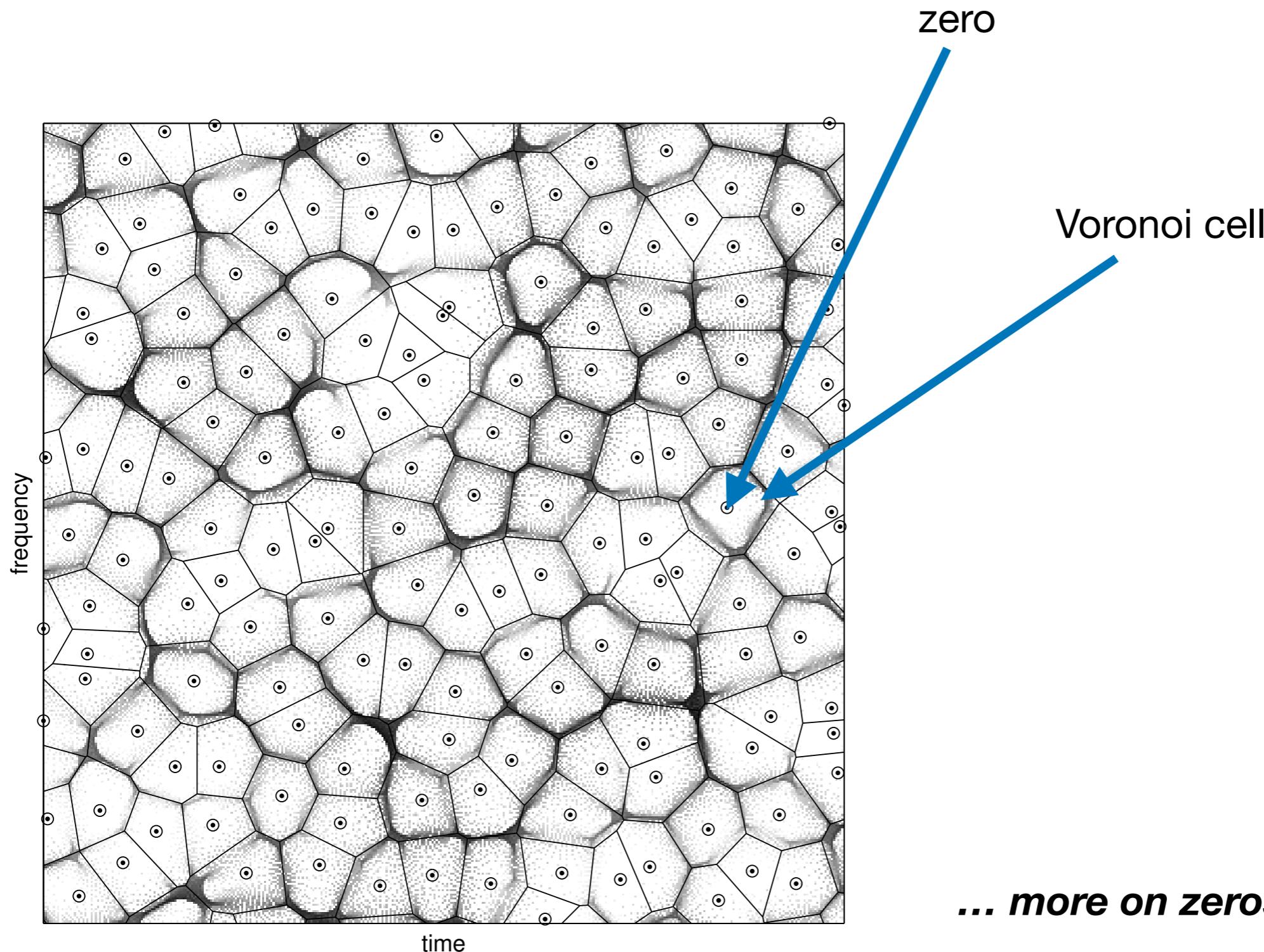


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**concluding remarks**

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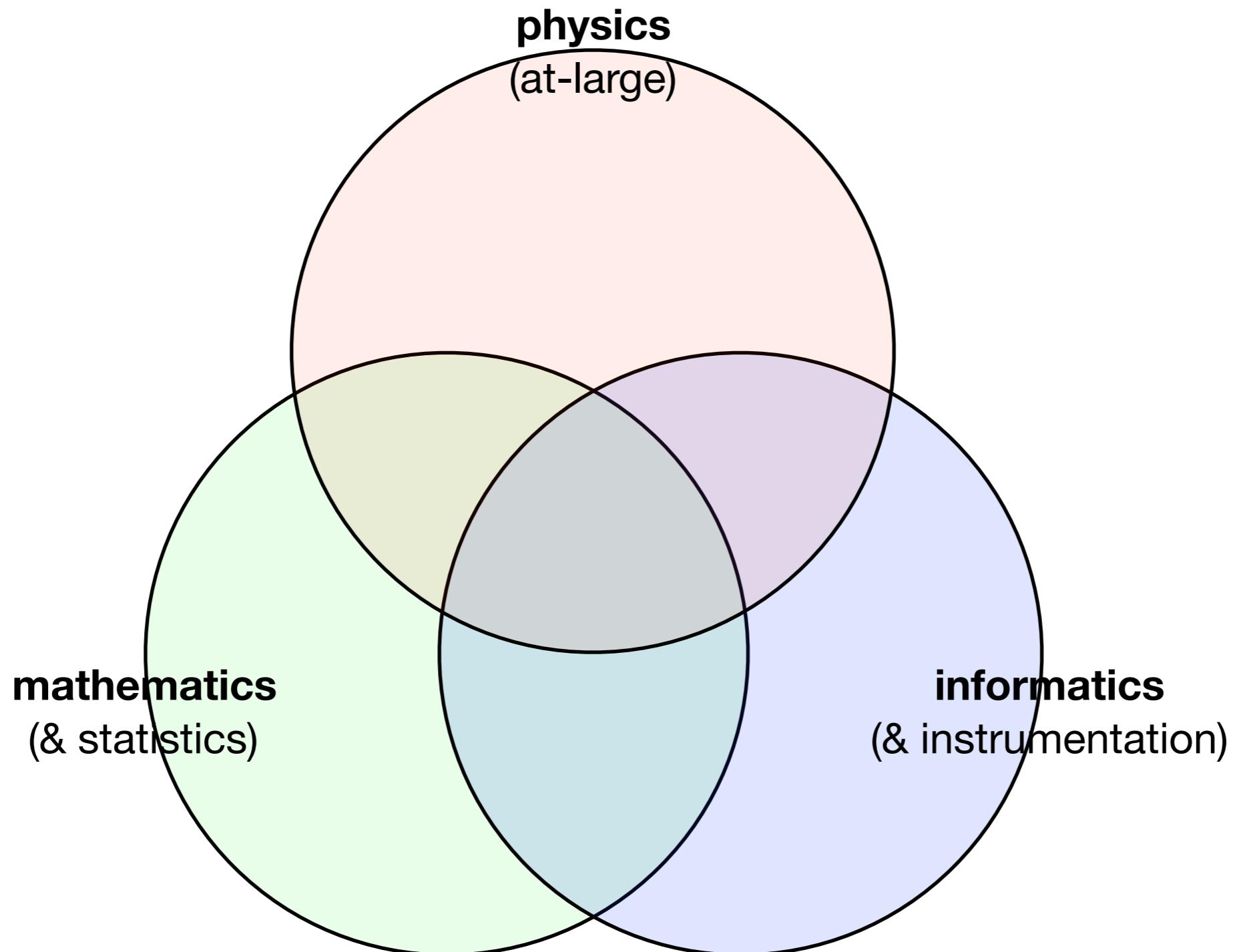
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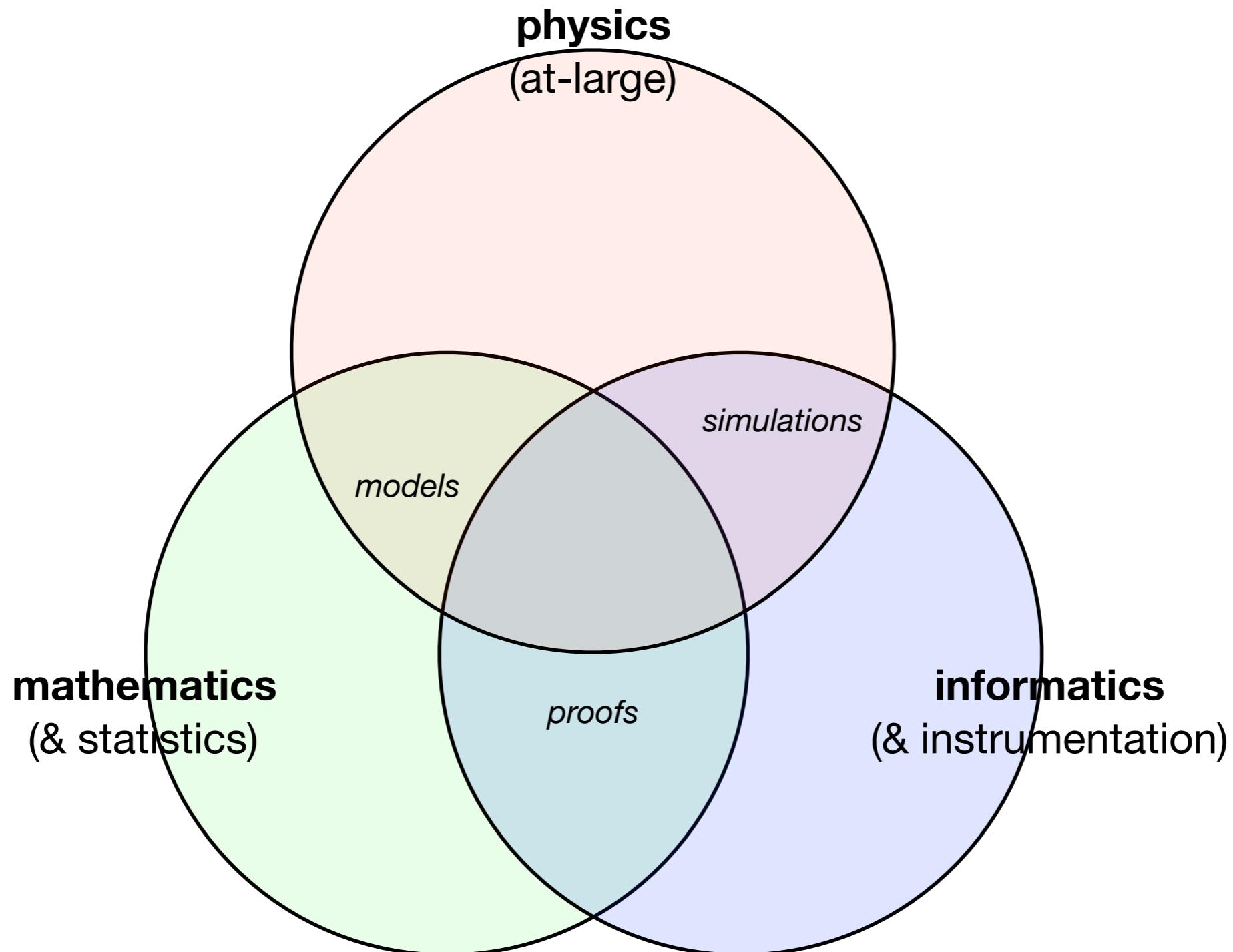
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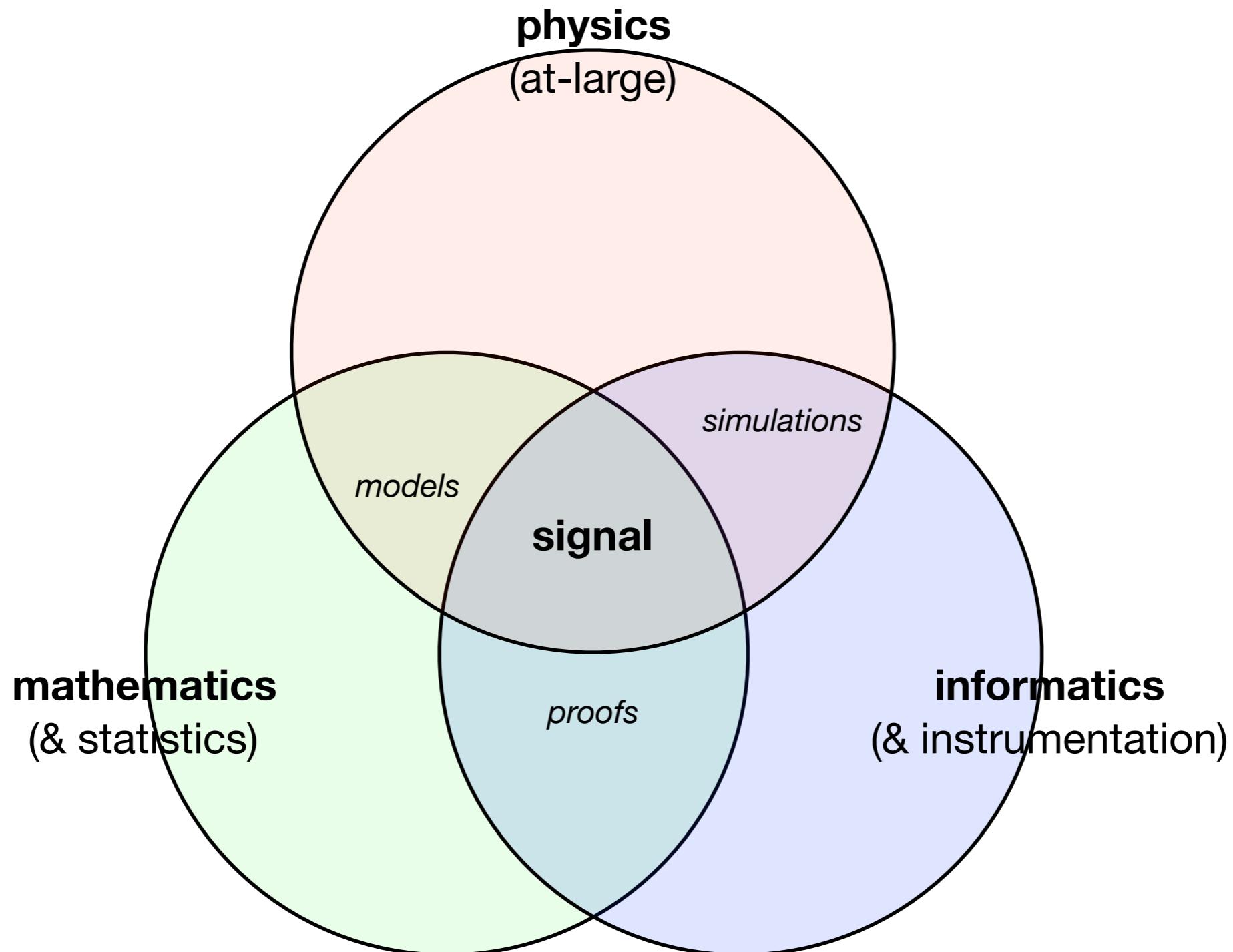
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**physics**  
(at-large)

**mathematics**  
(& statistics)







**signal goes nonstationary**

**signal**



**physics**

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**math**

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Fourier

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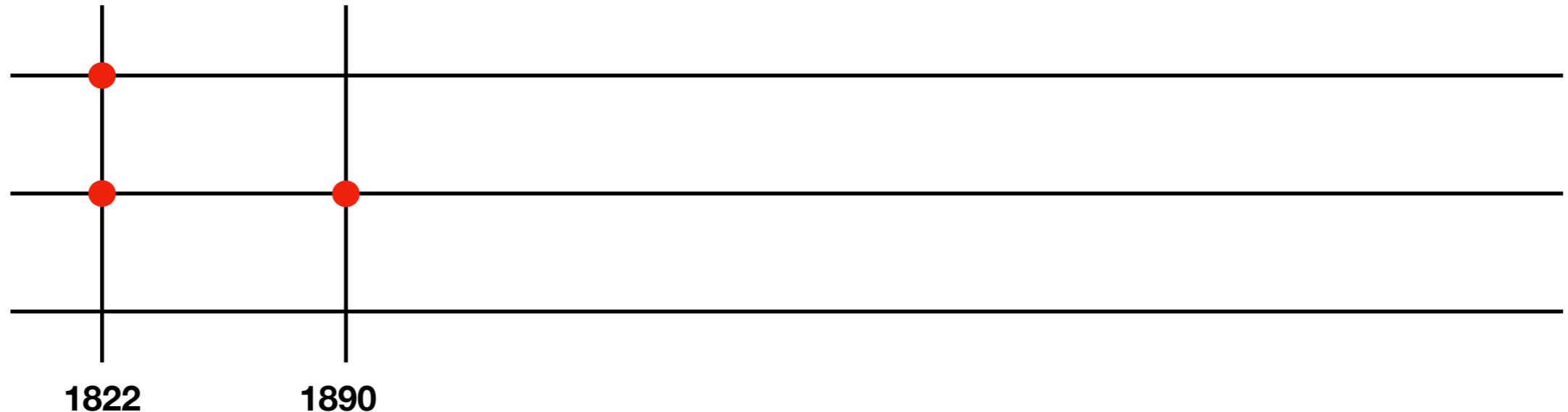
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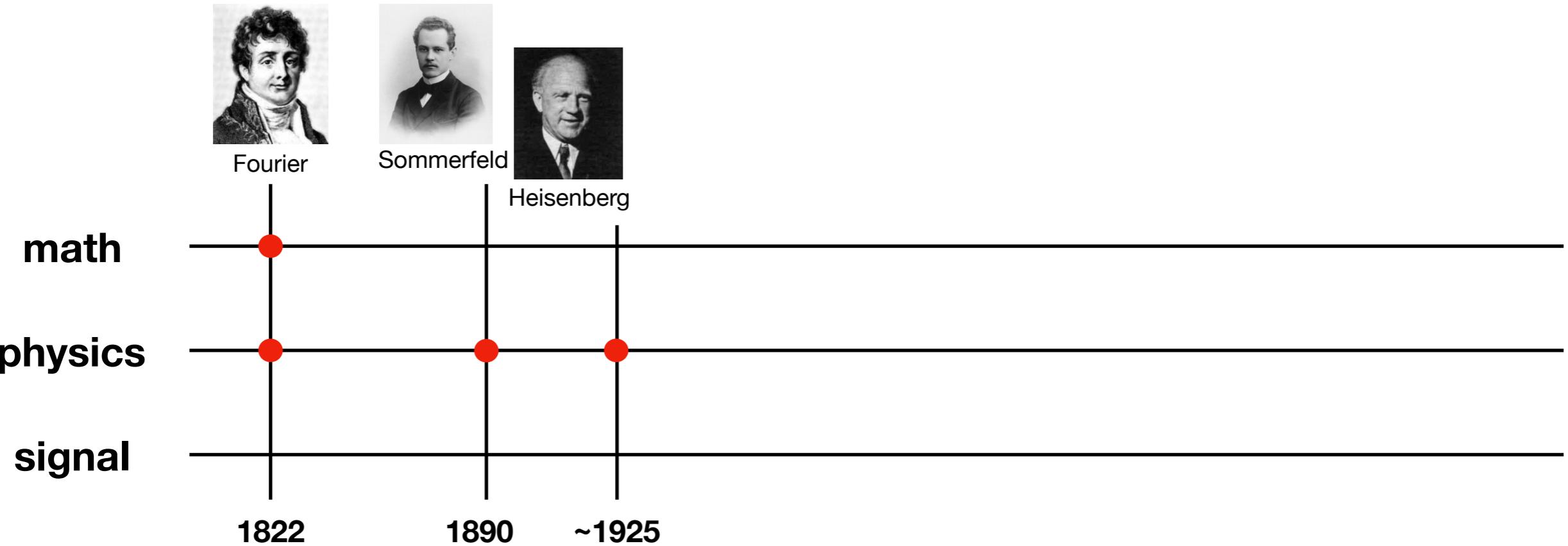
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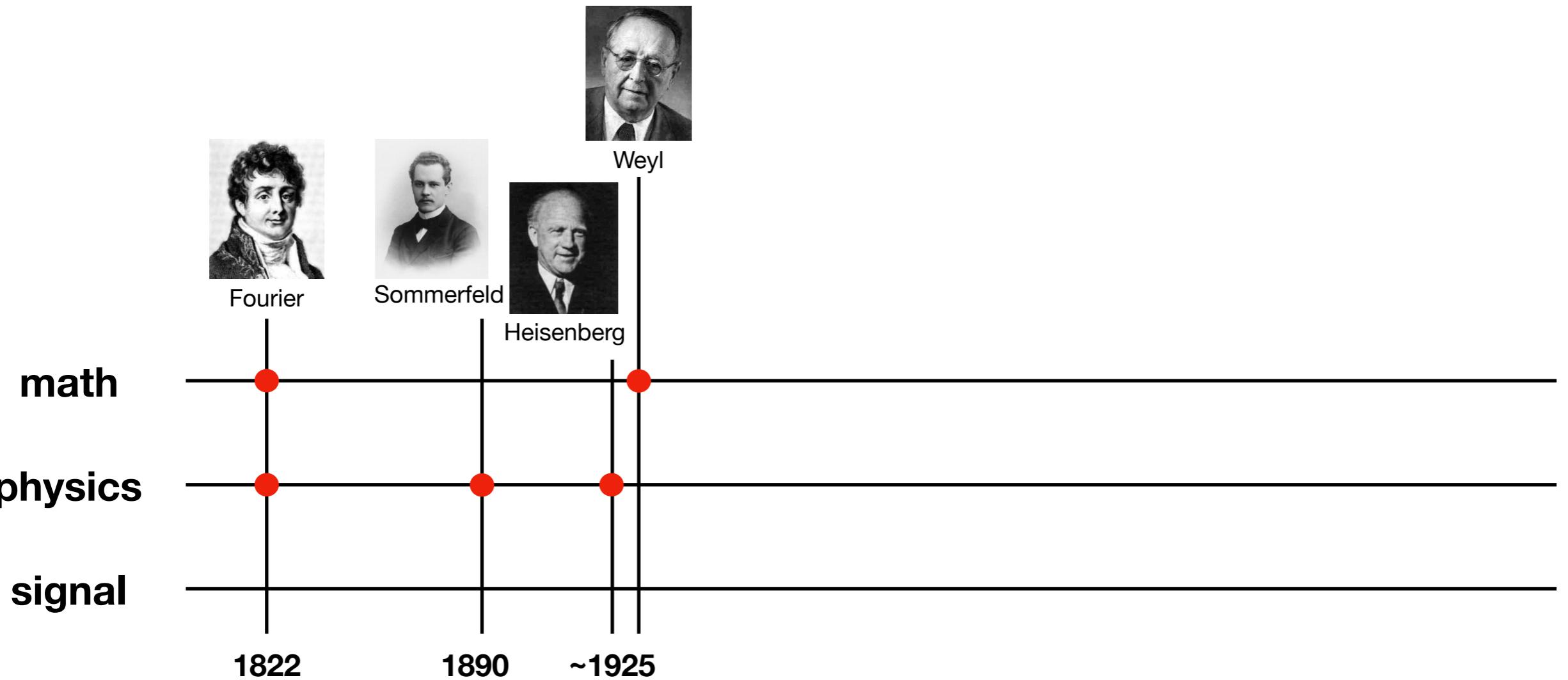
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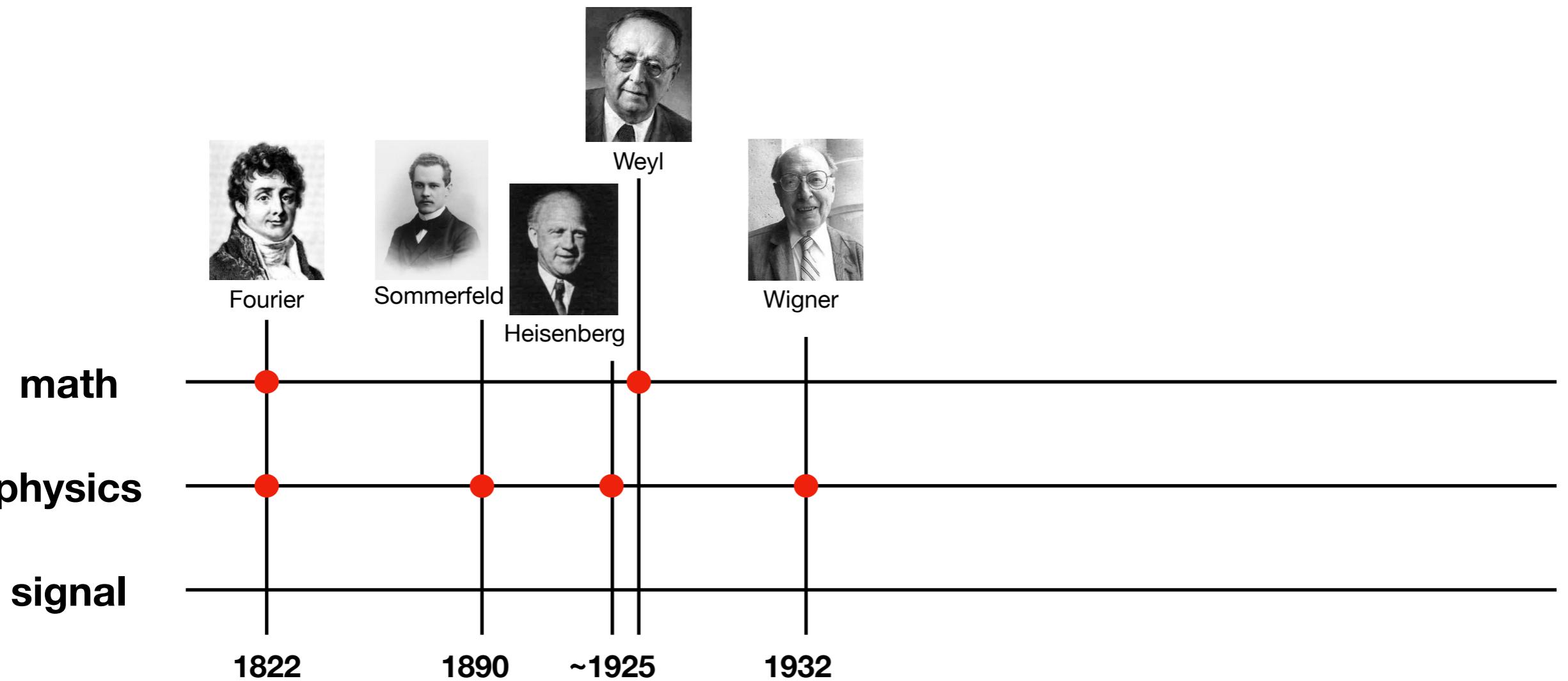
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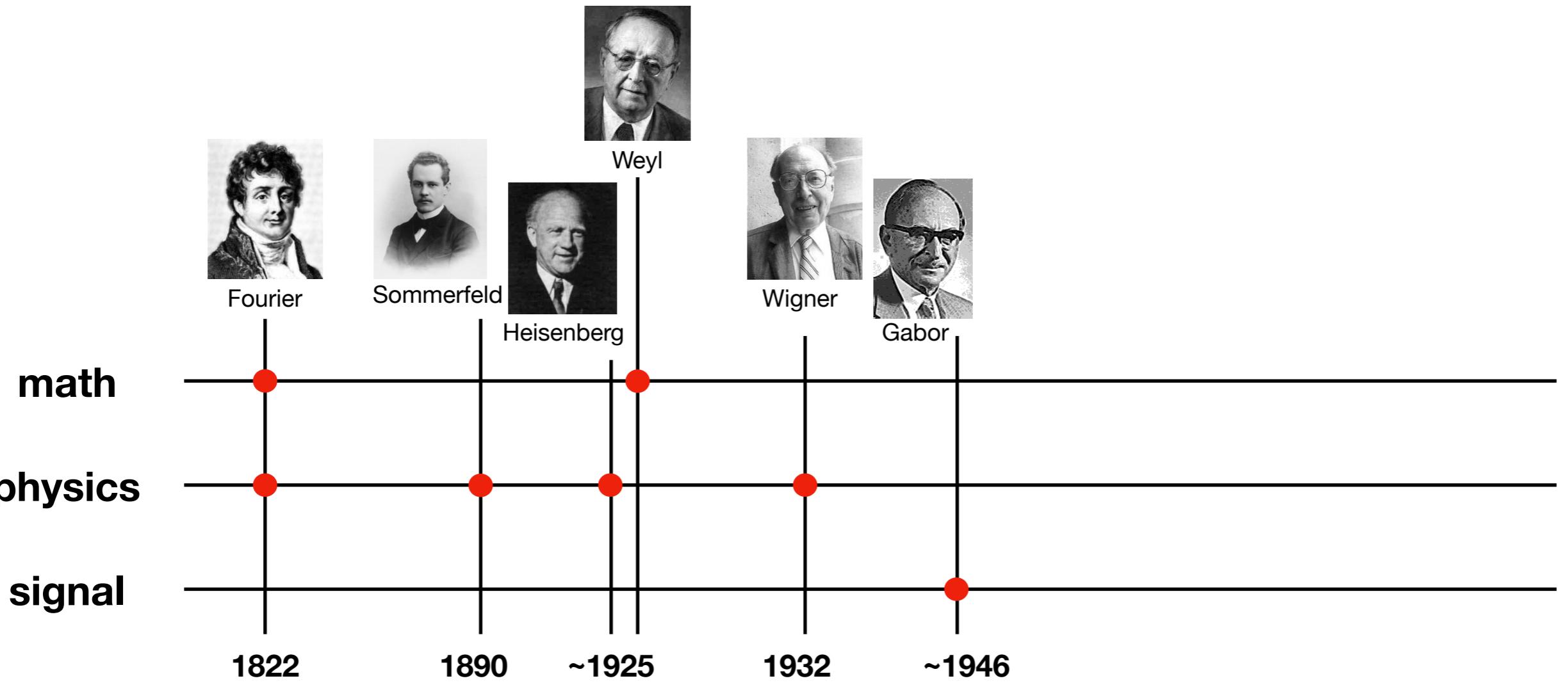
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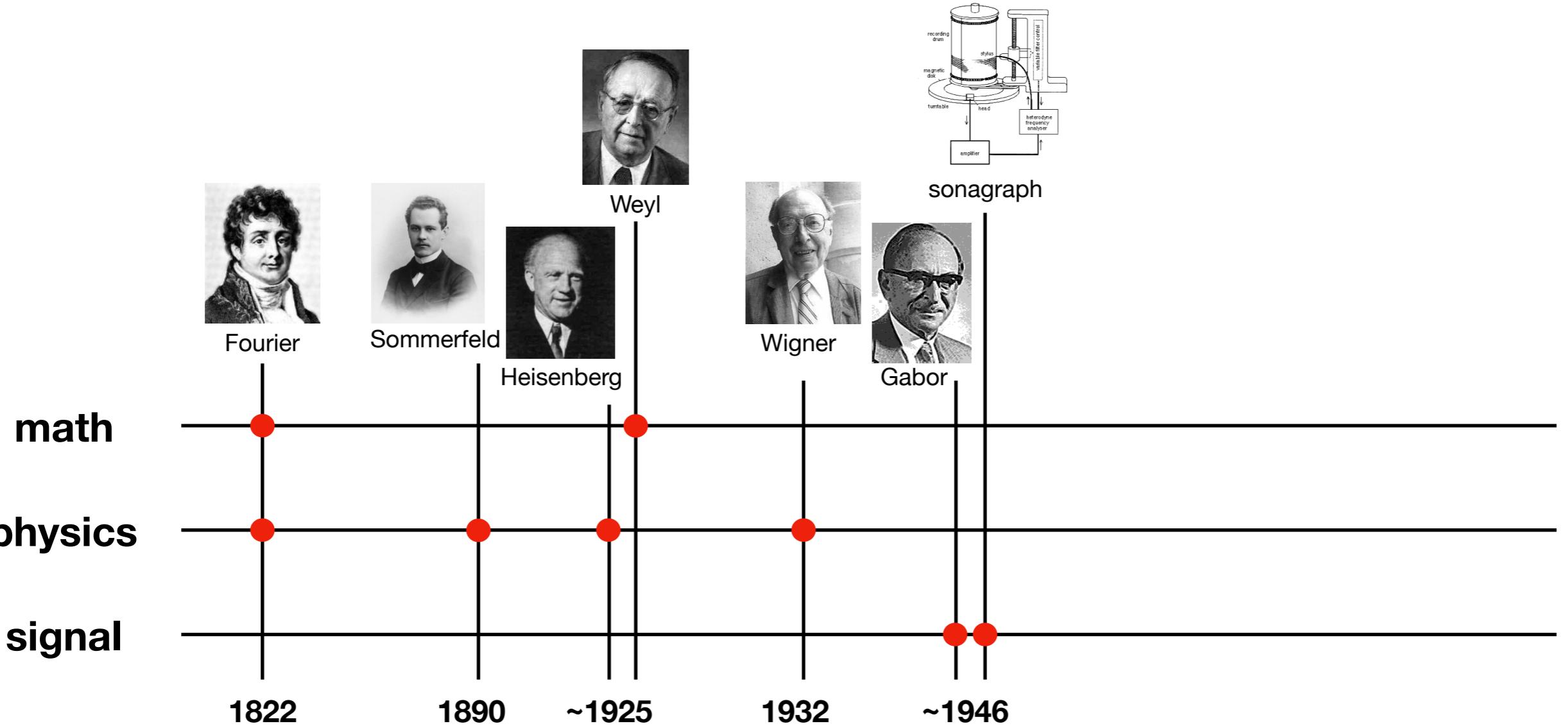


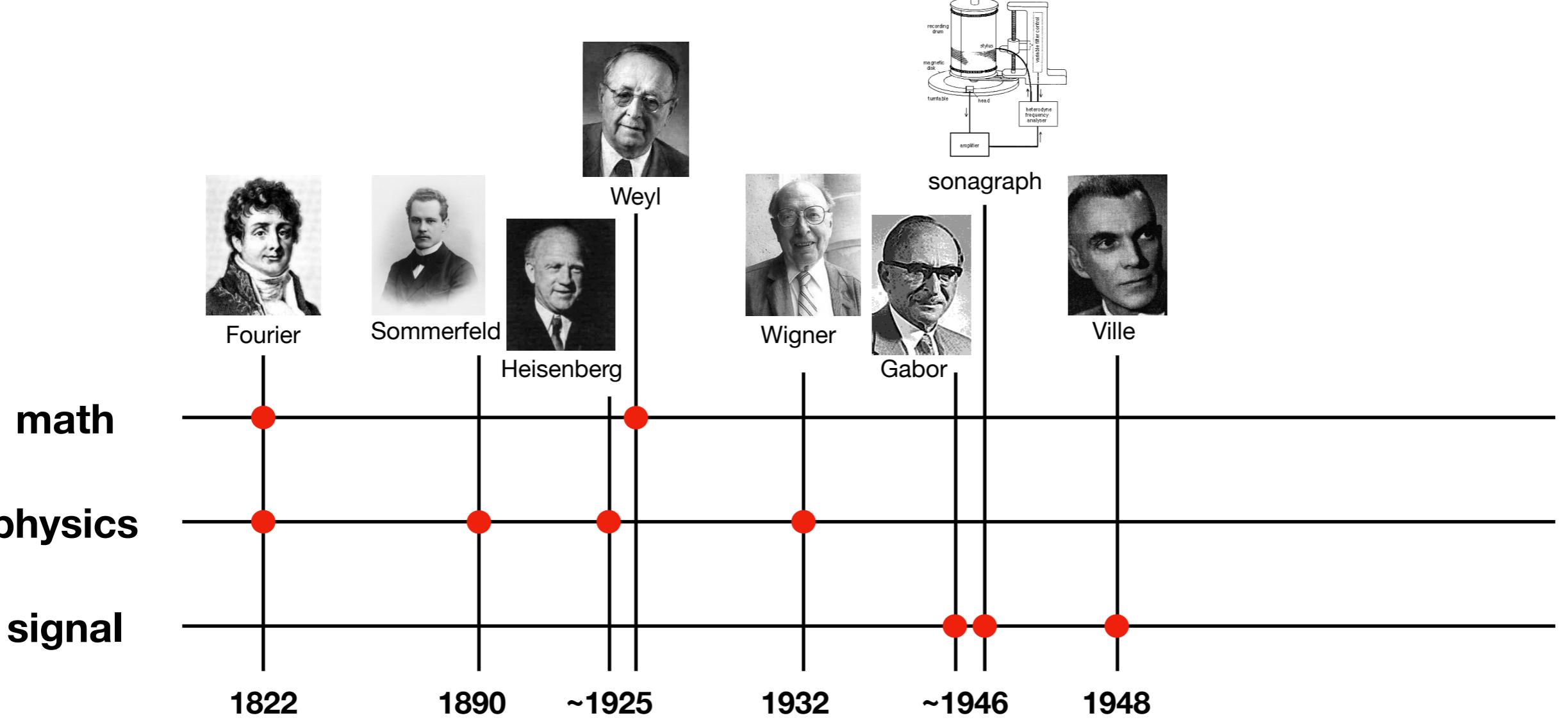


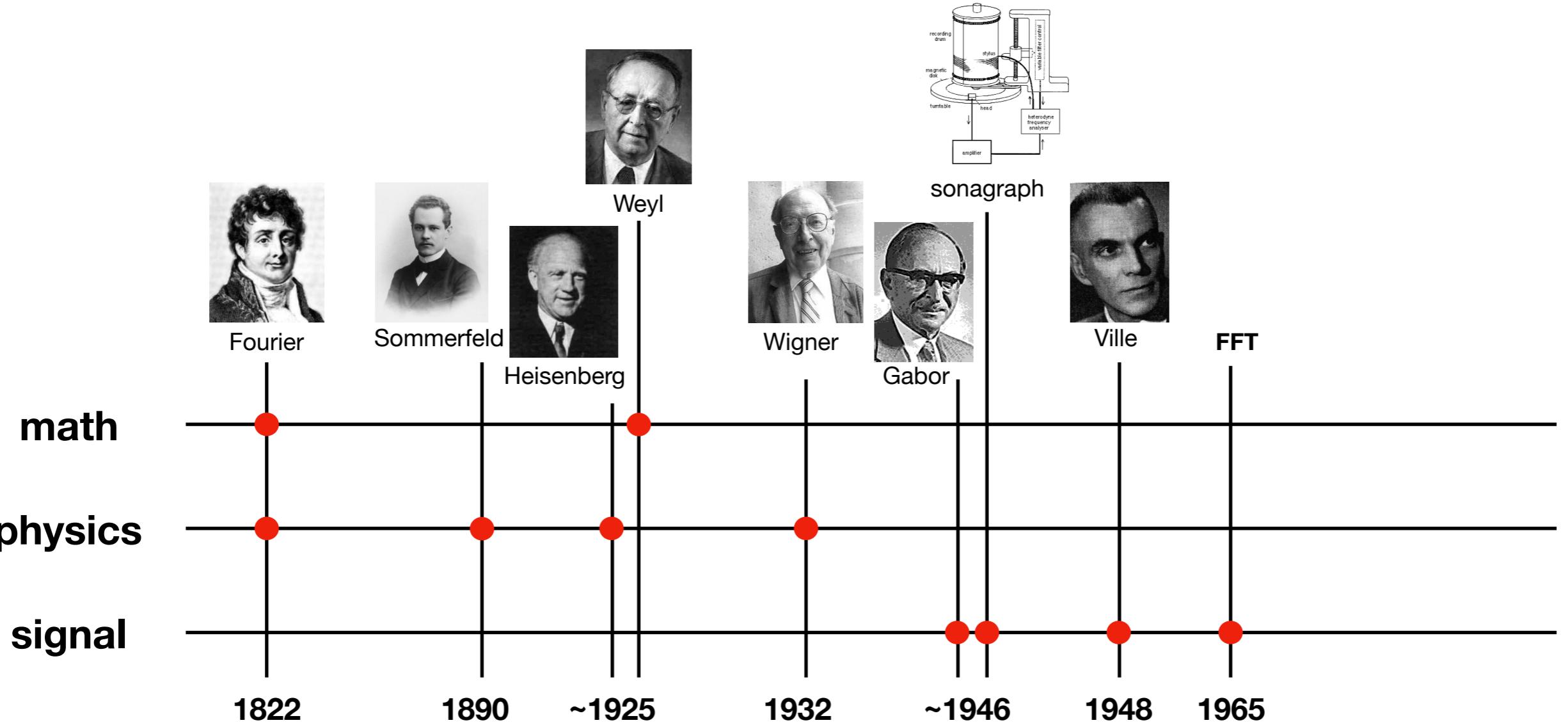


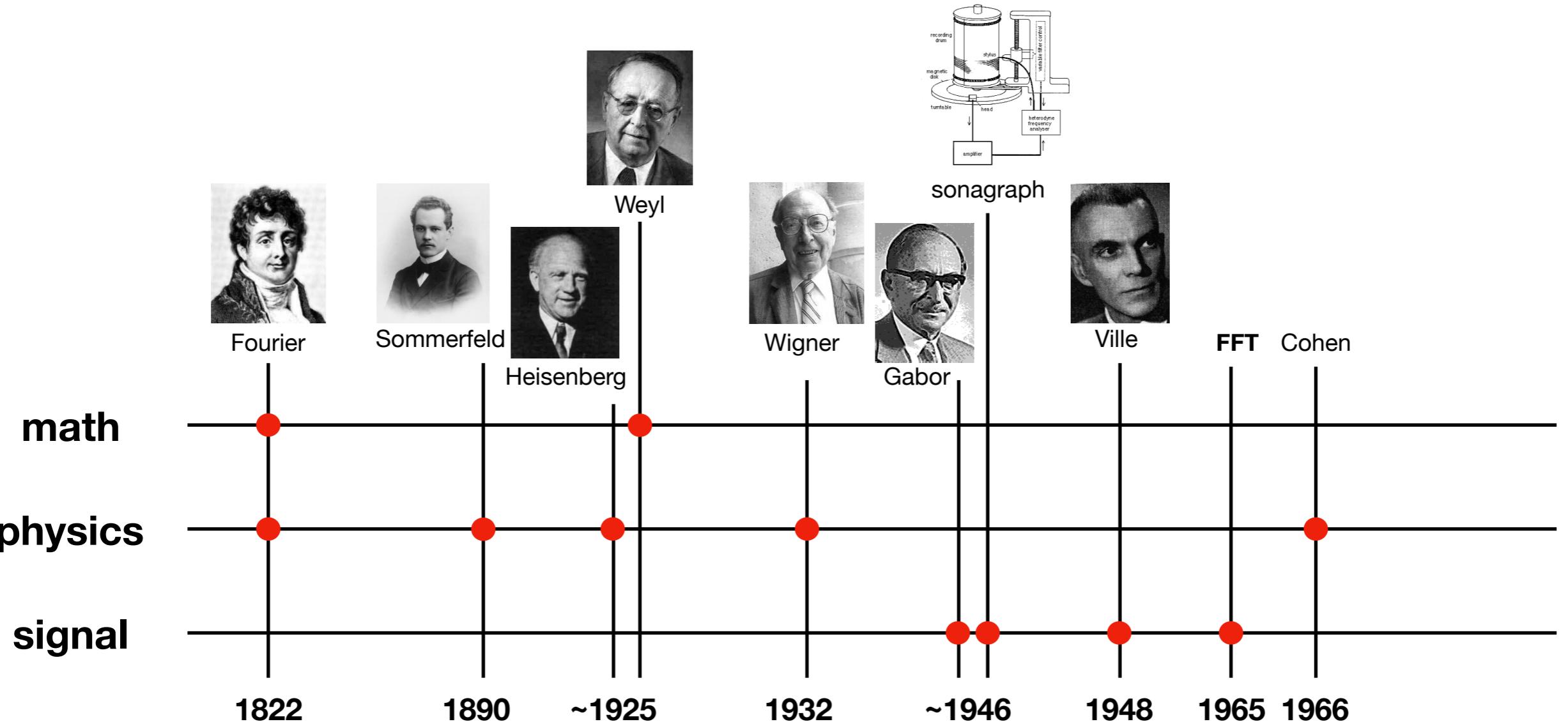


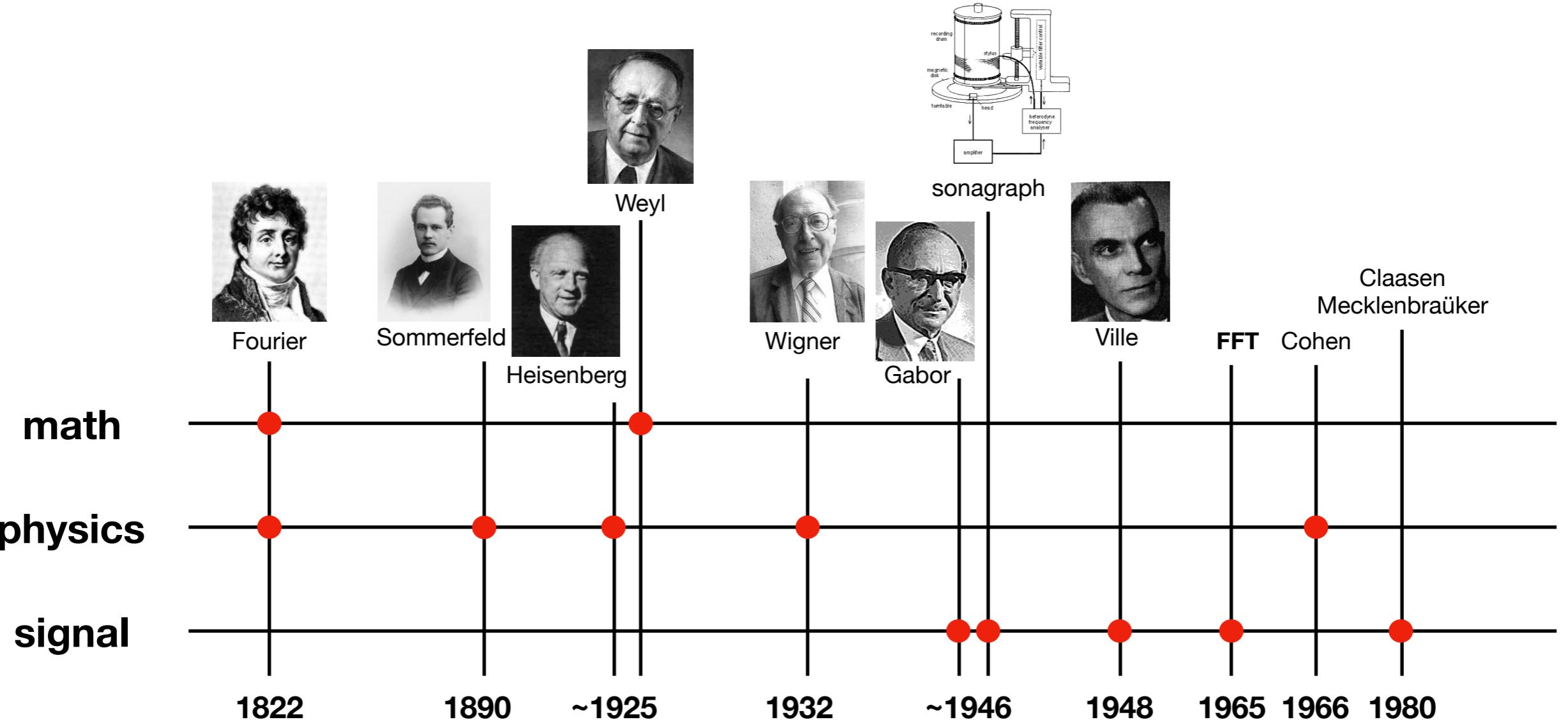


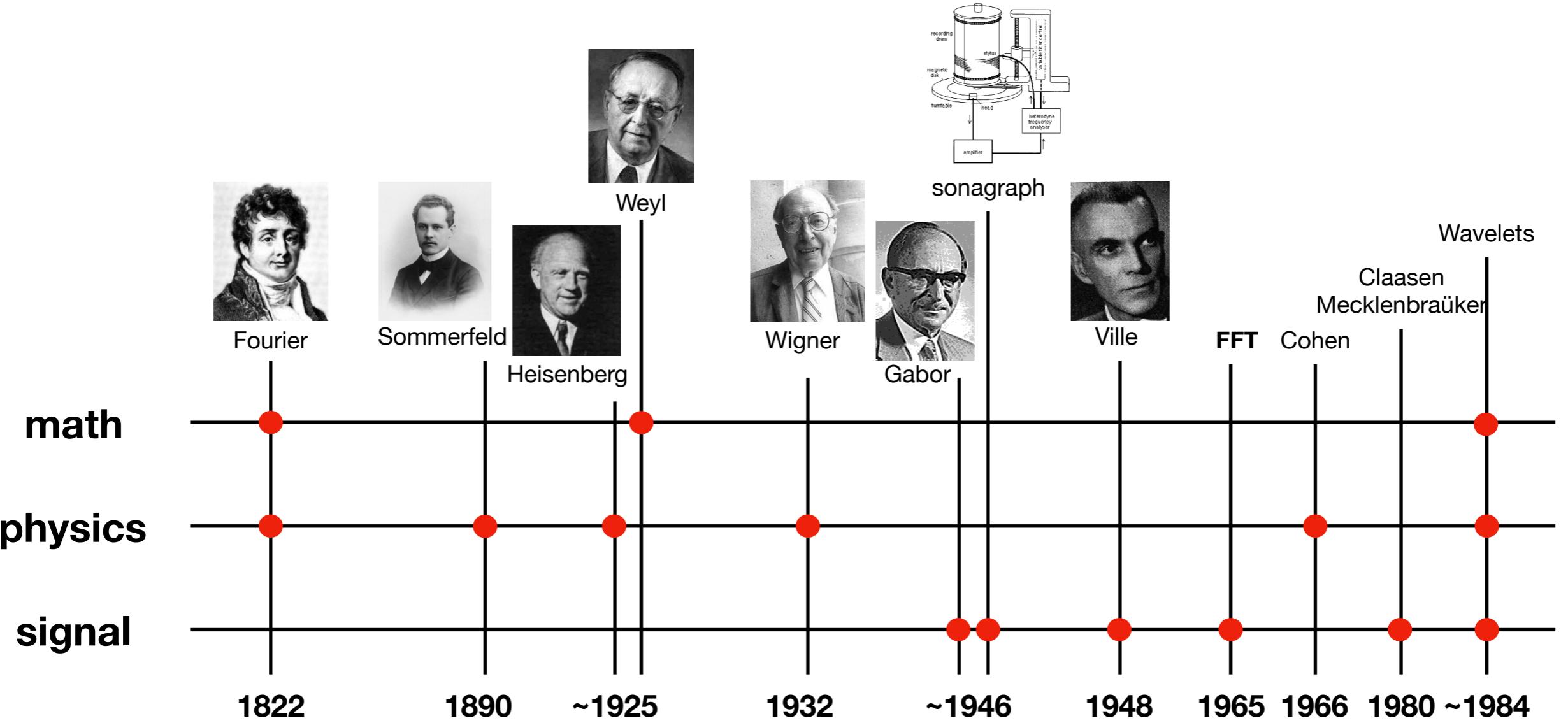


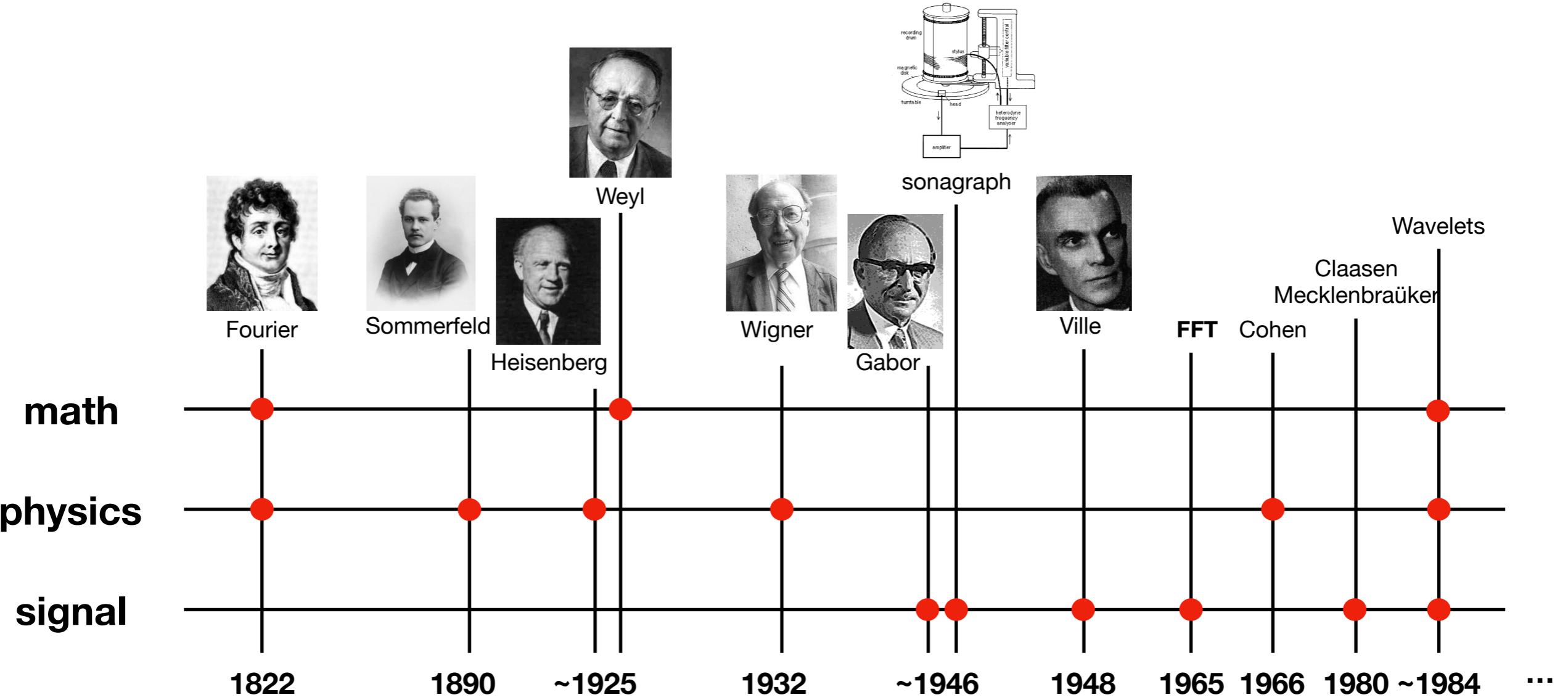












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