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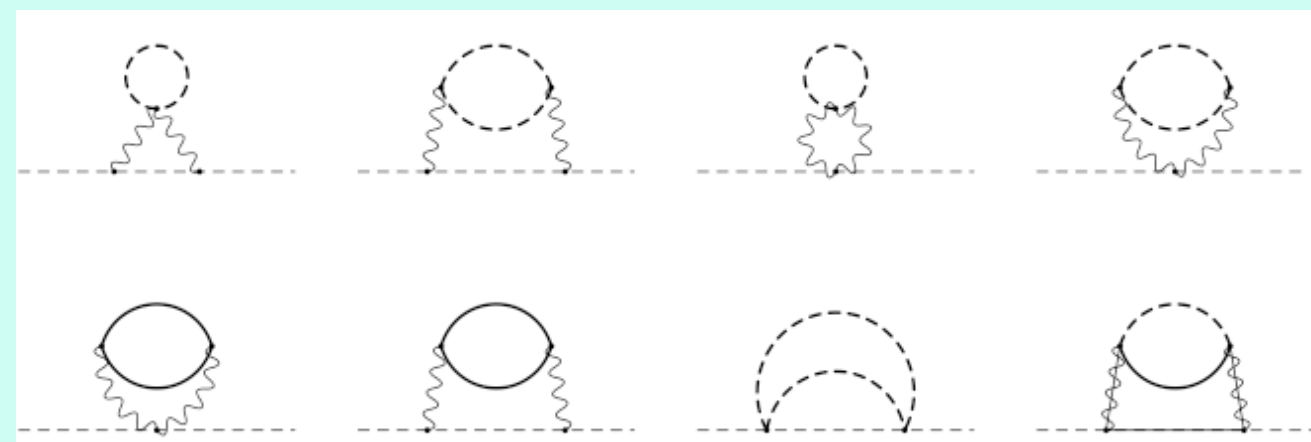
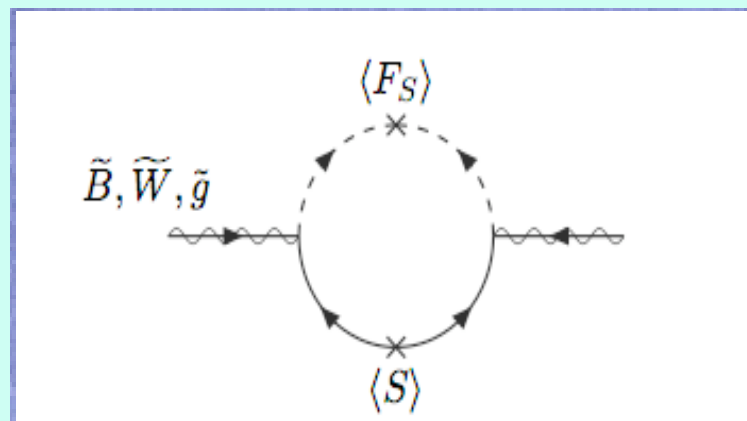
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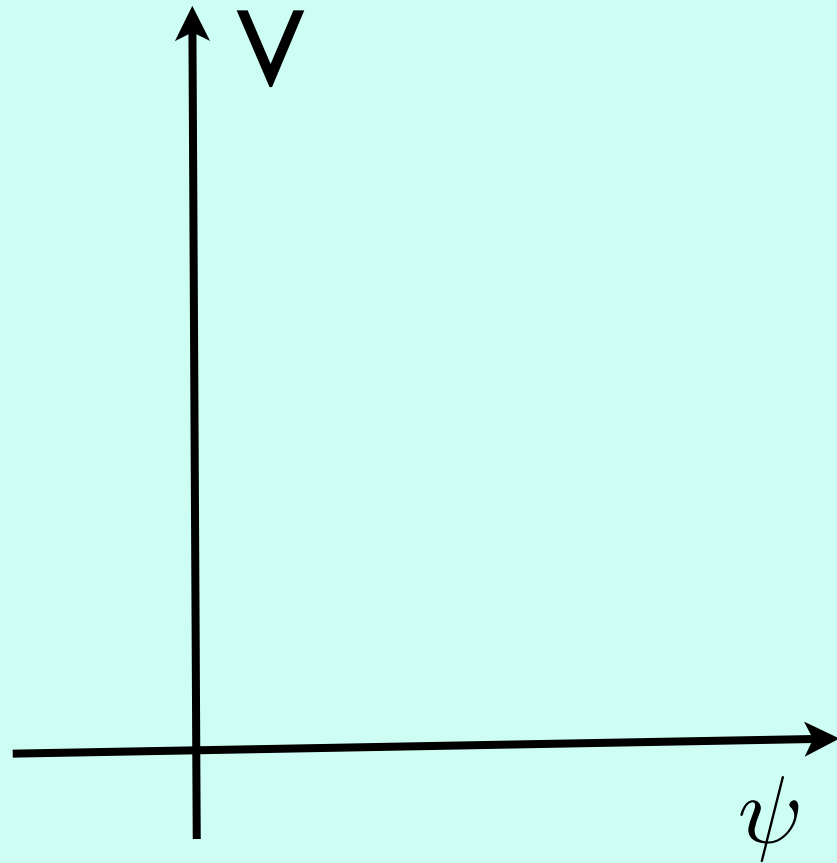
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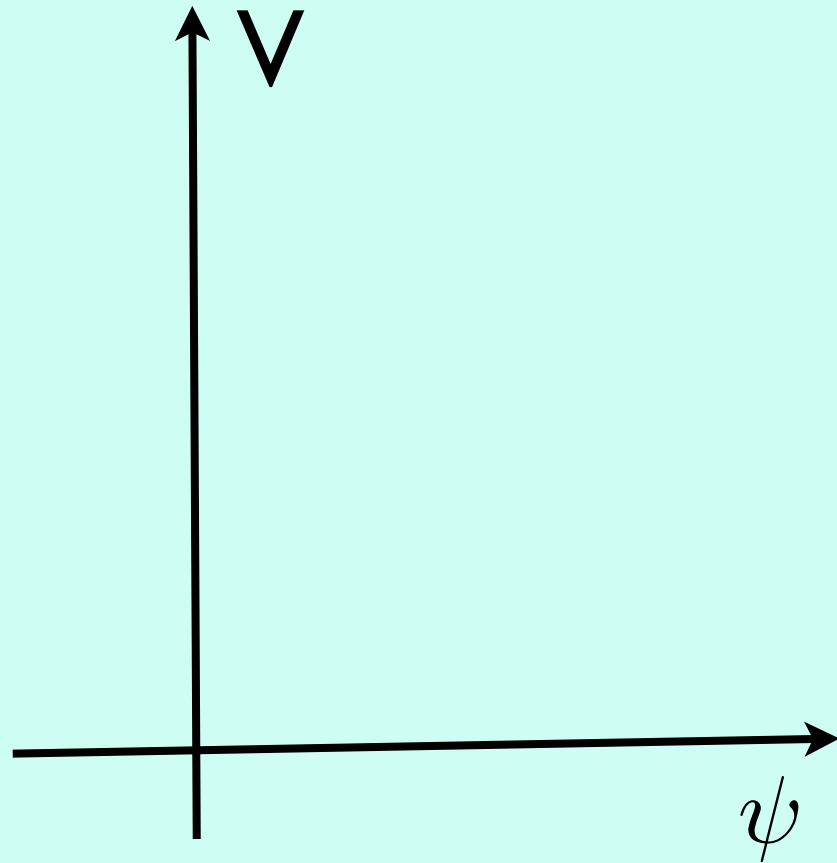
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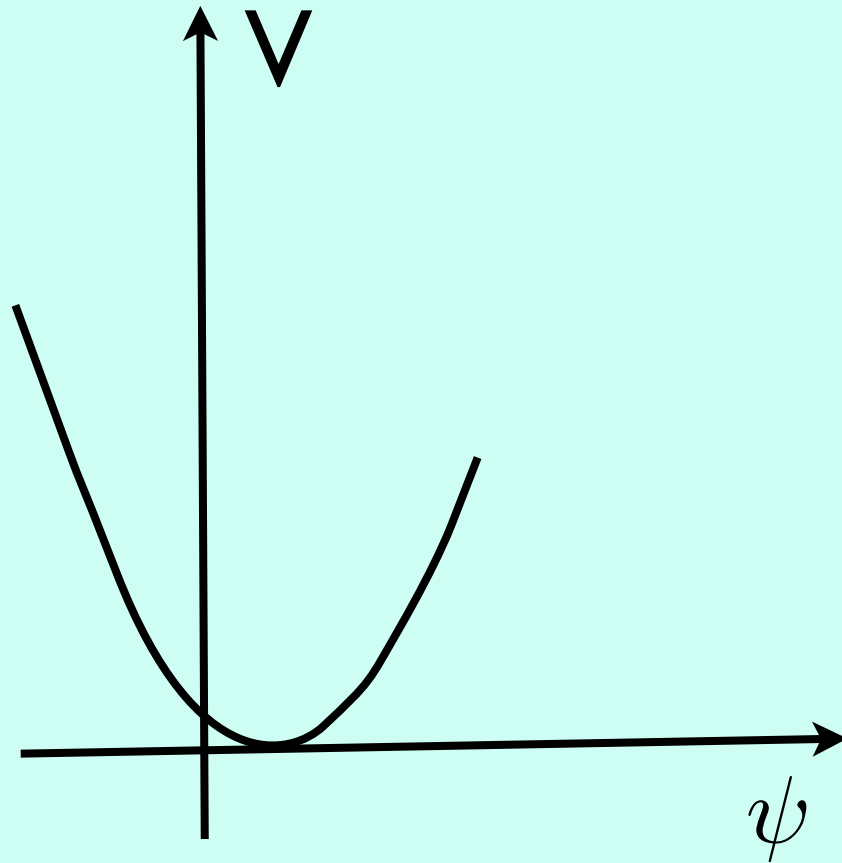
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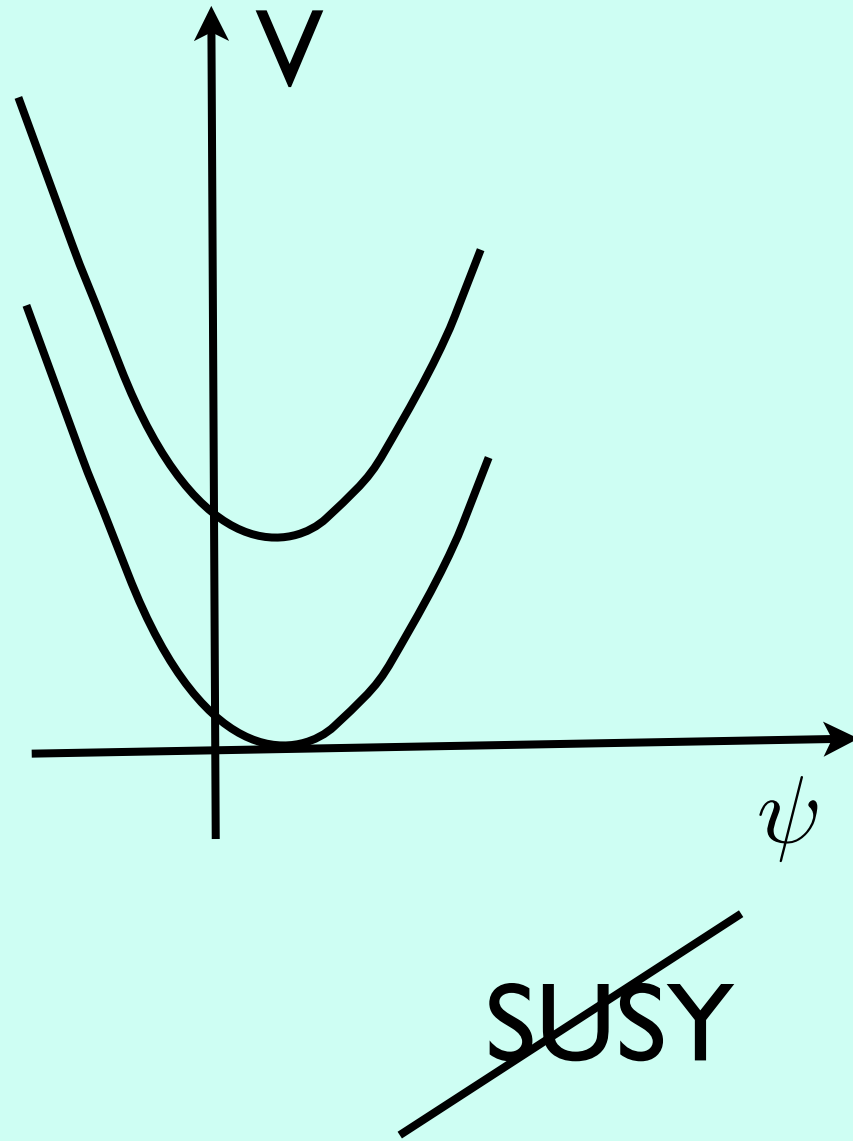


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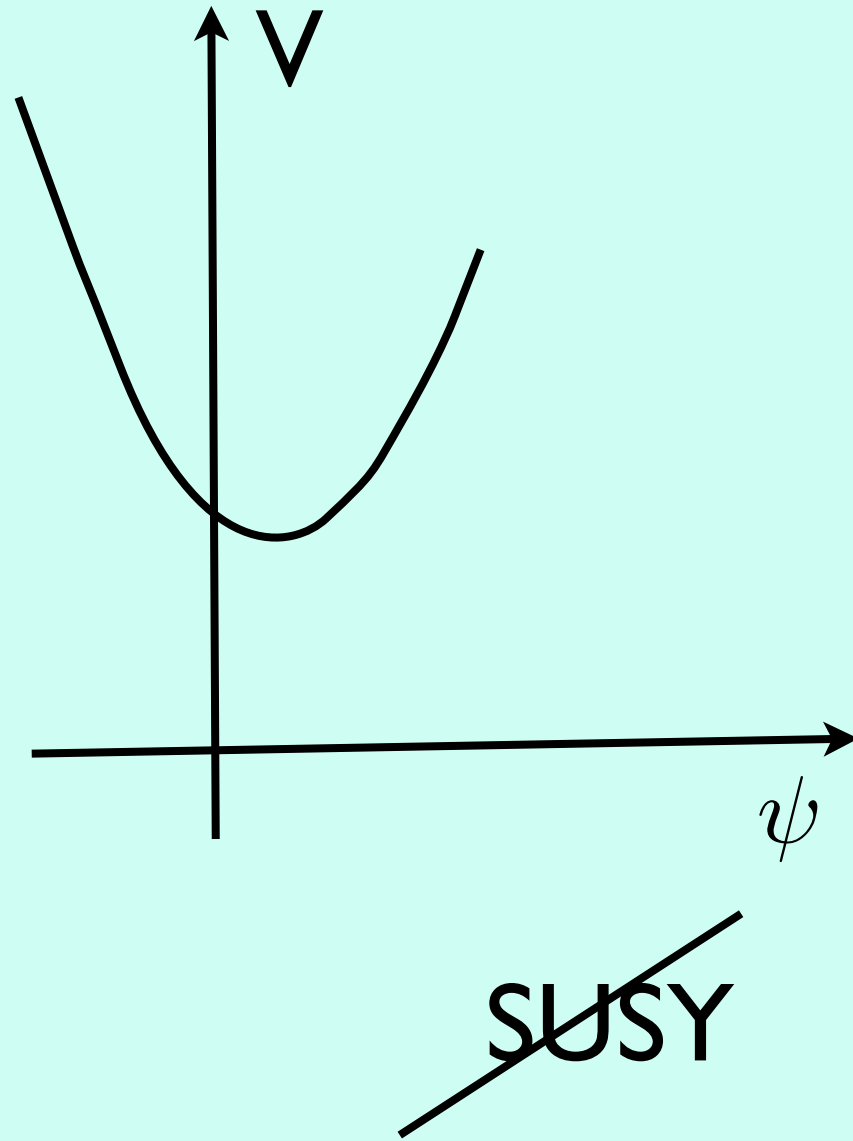
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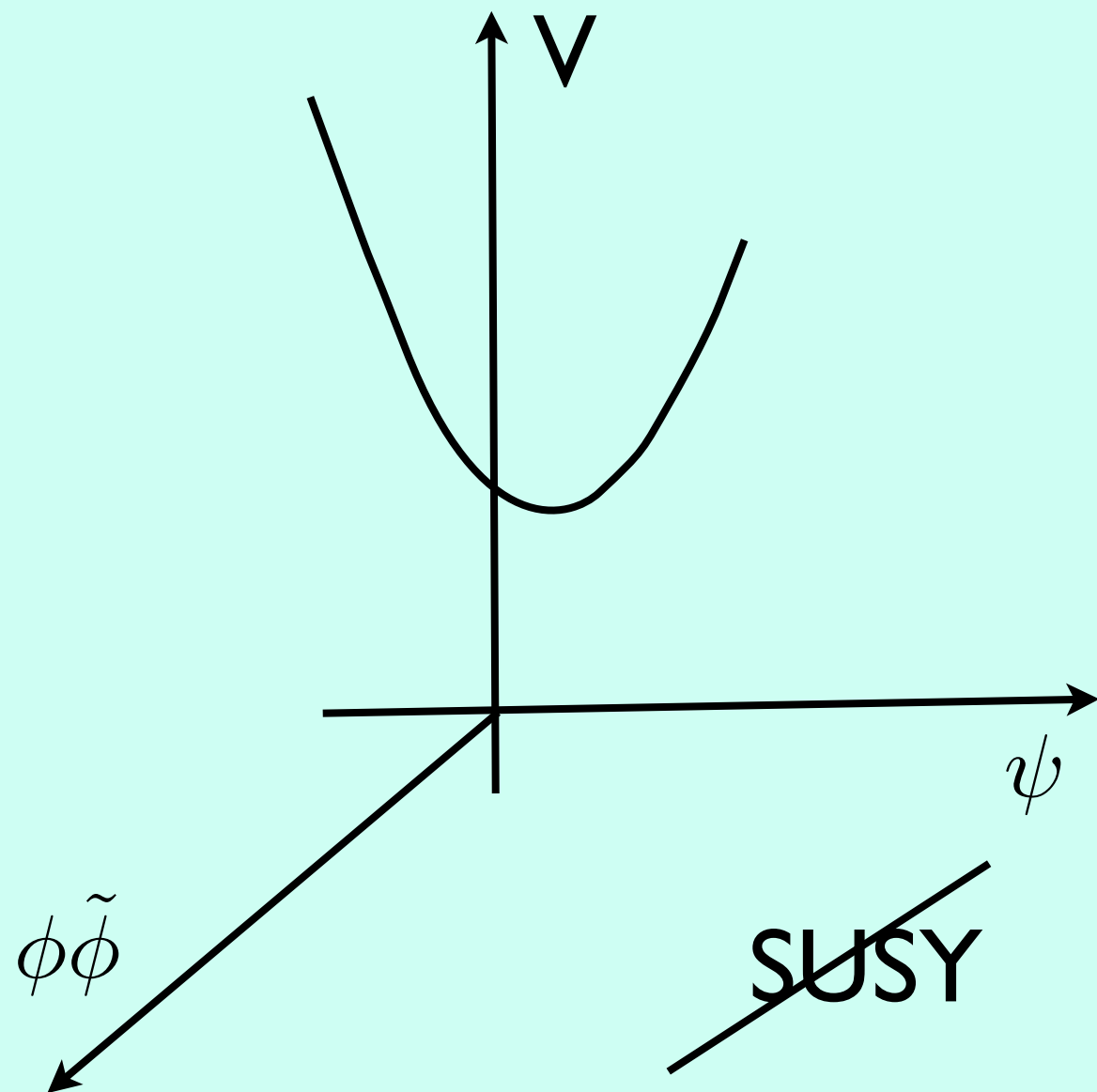
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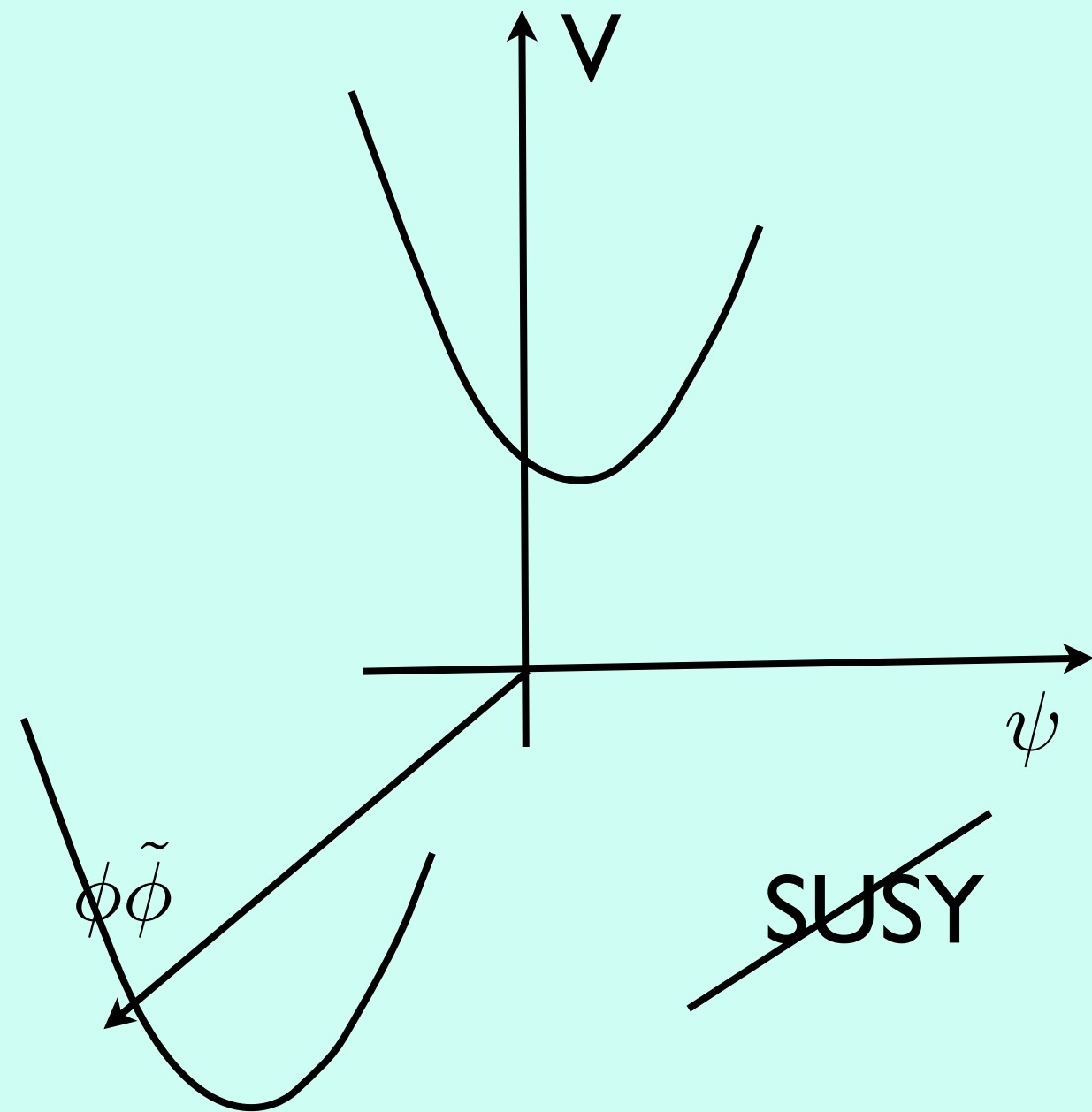
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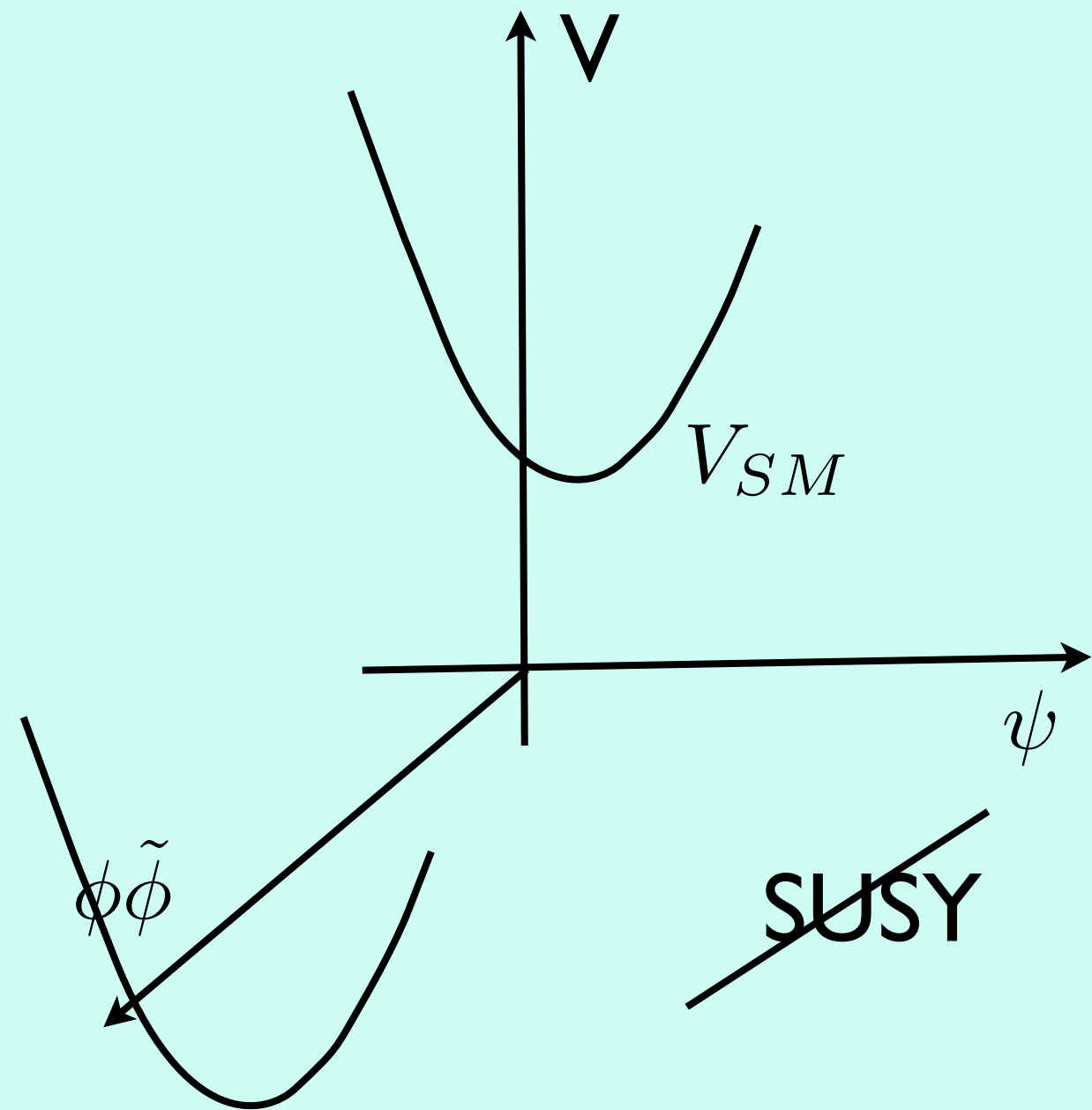
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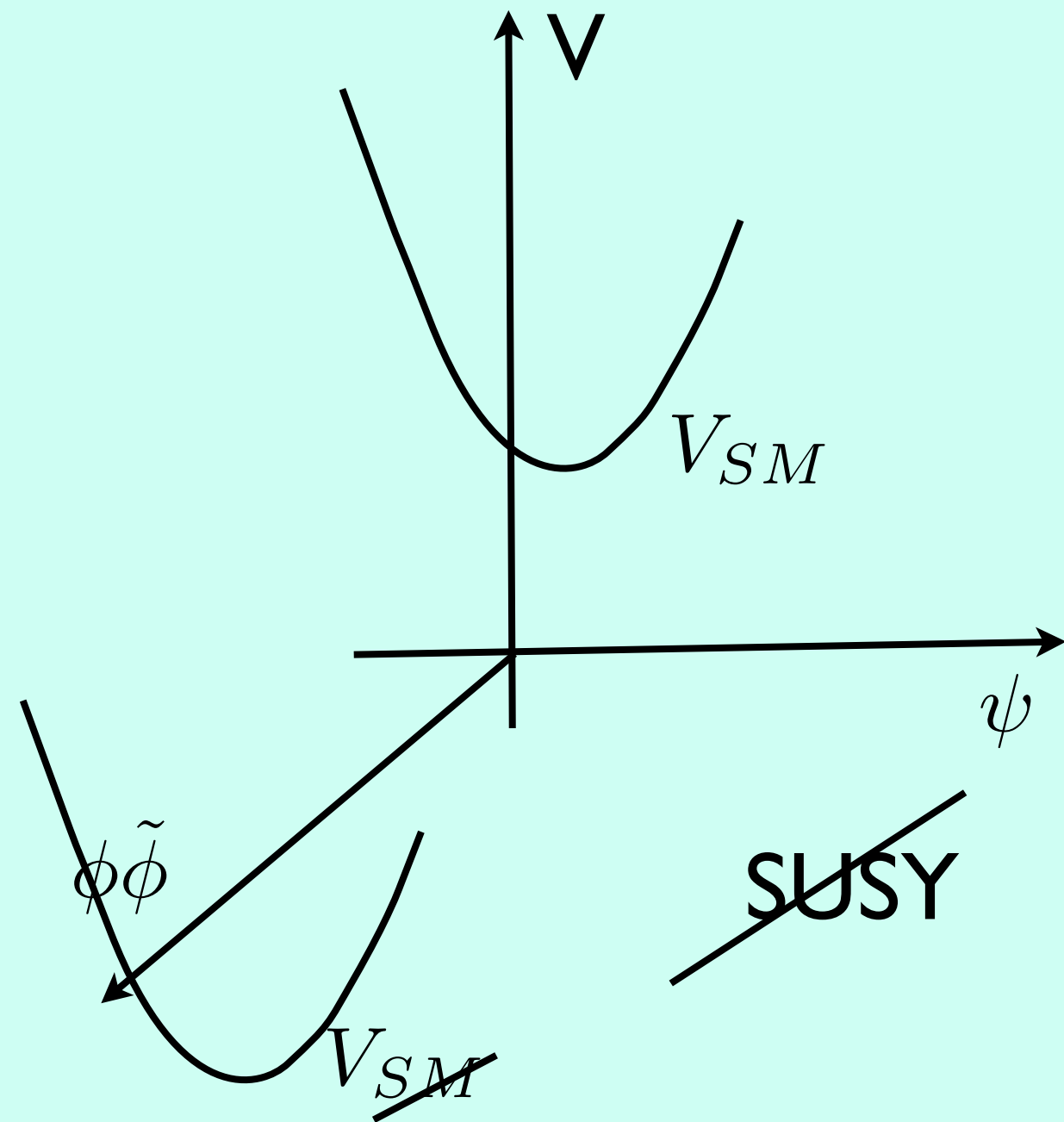
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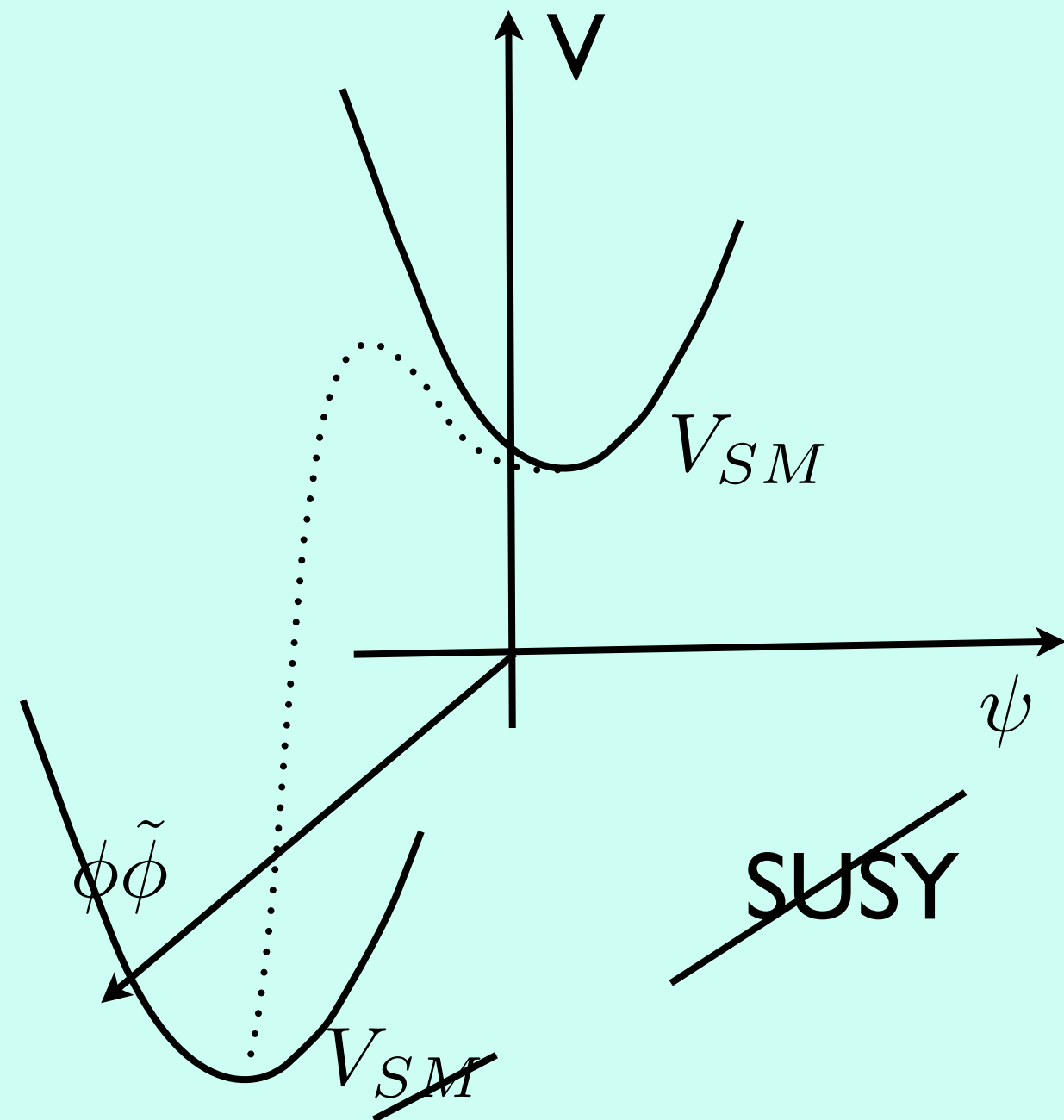
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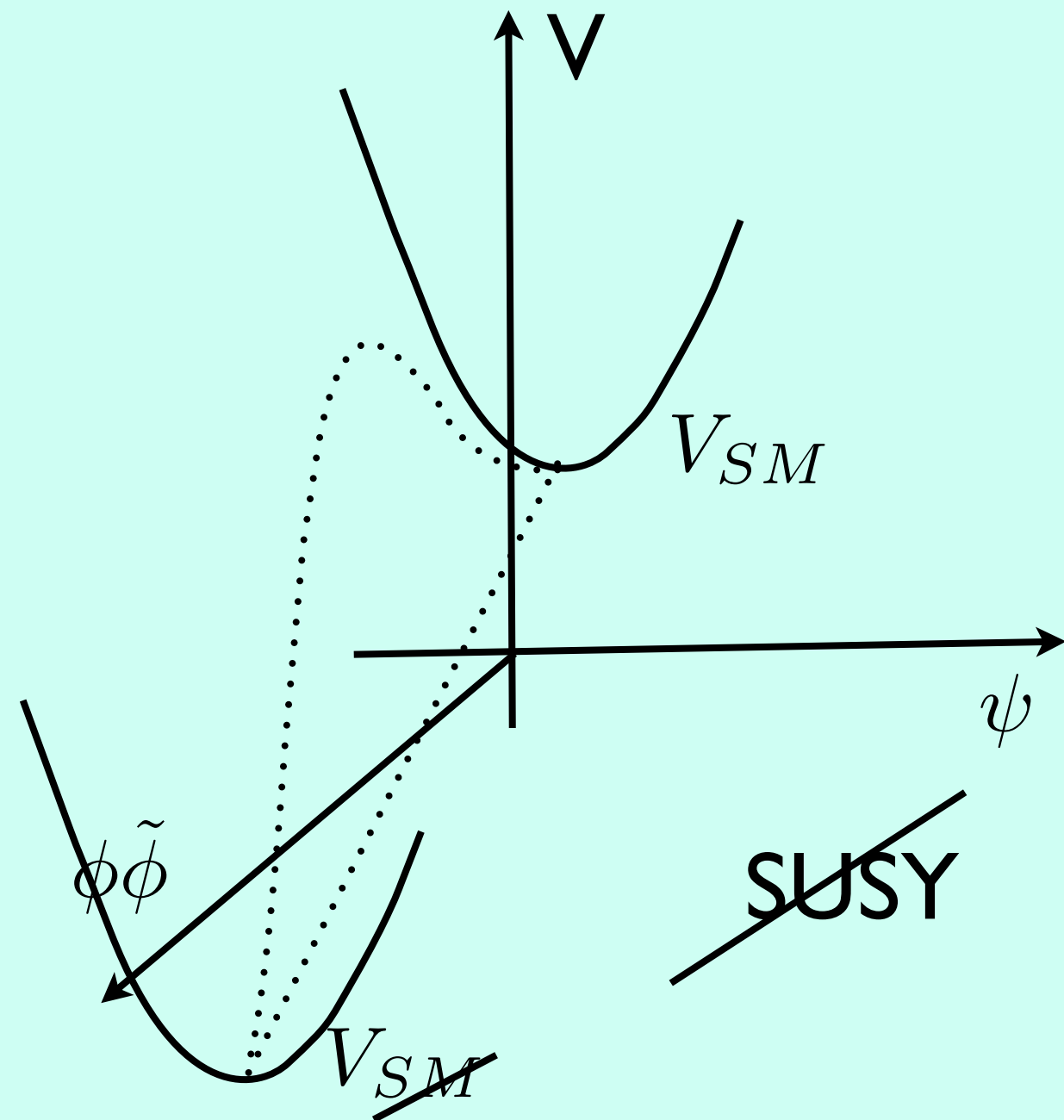
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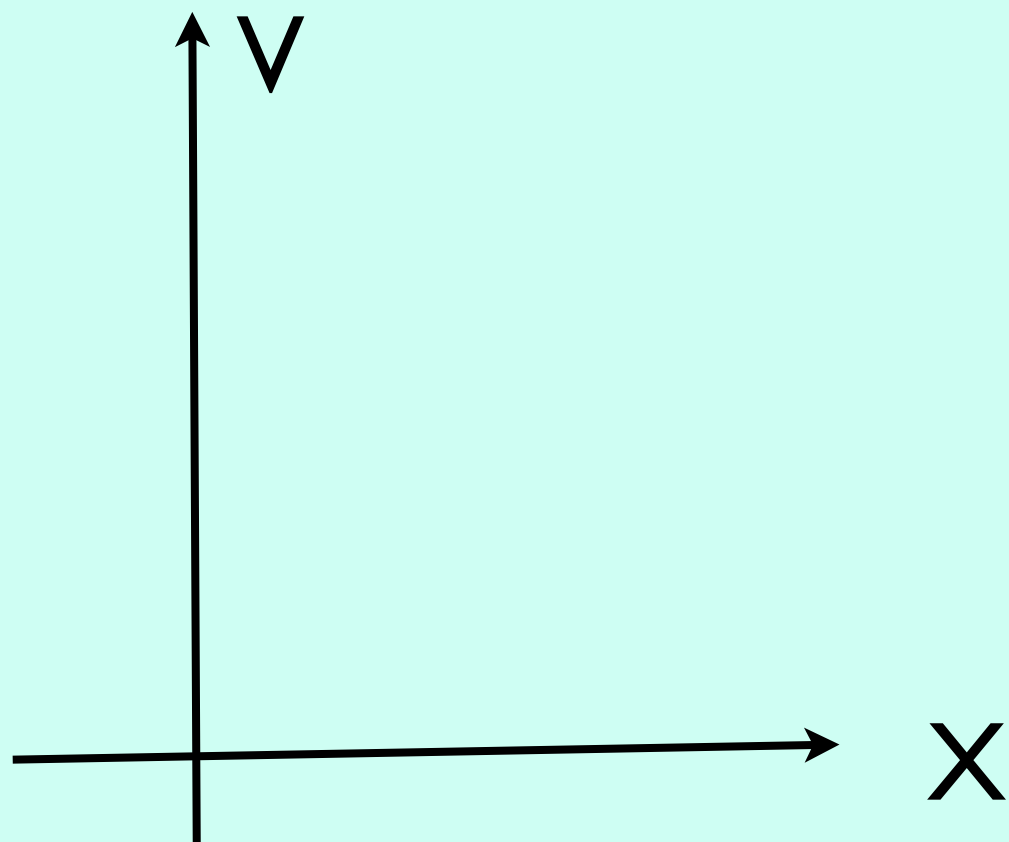
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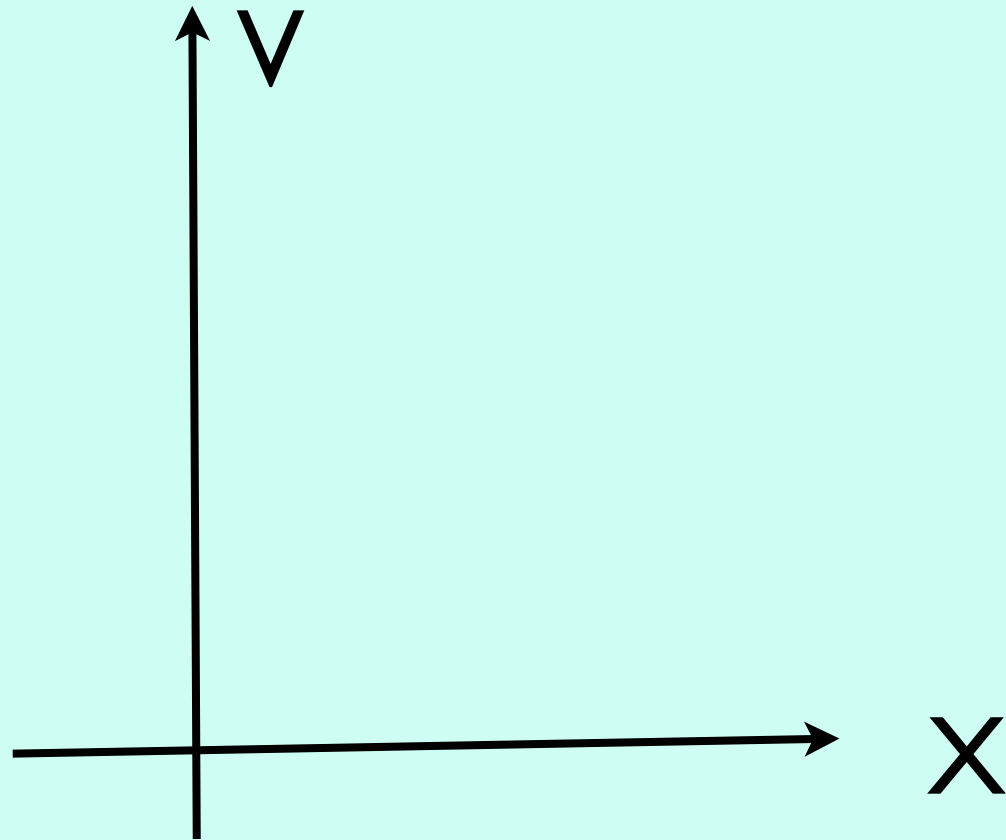
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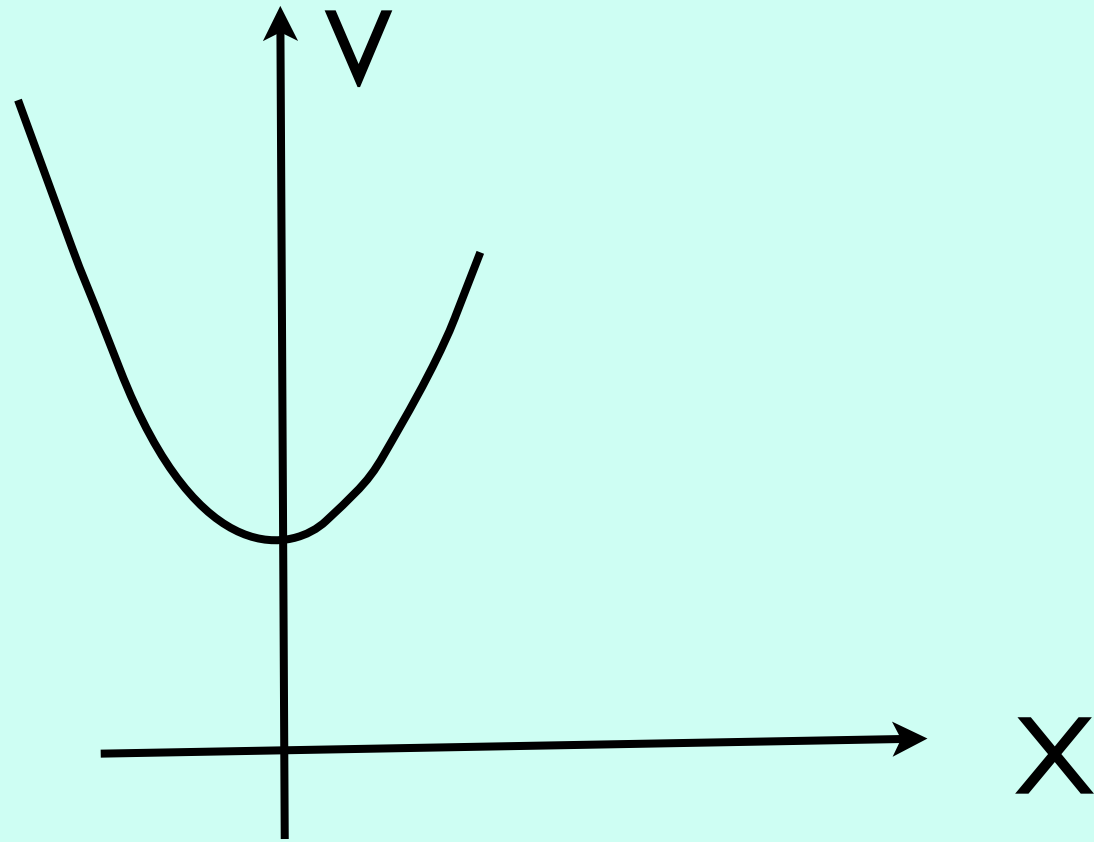
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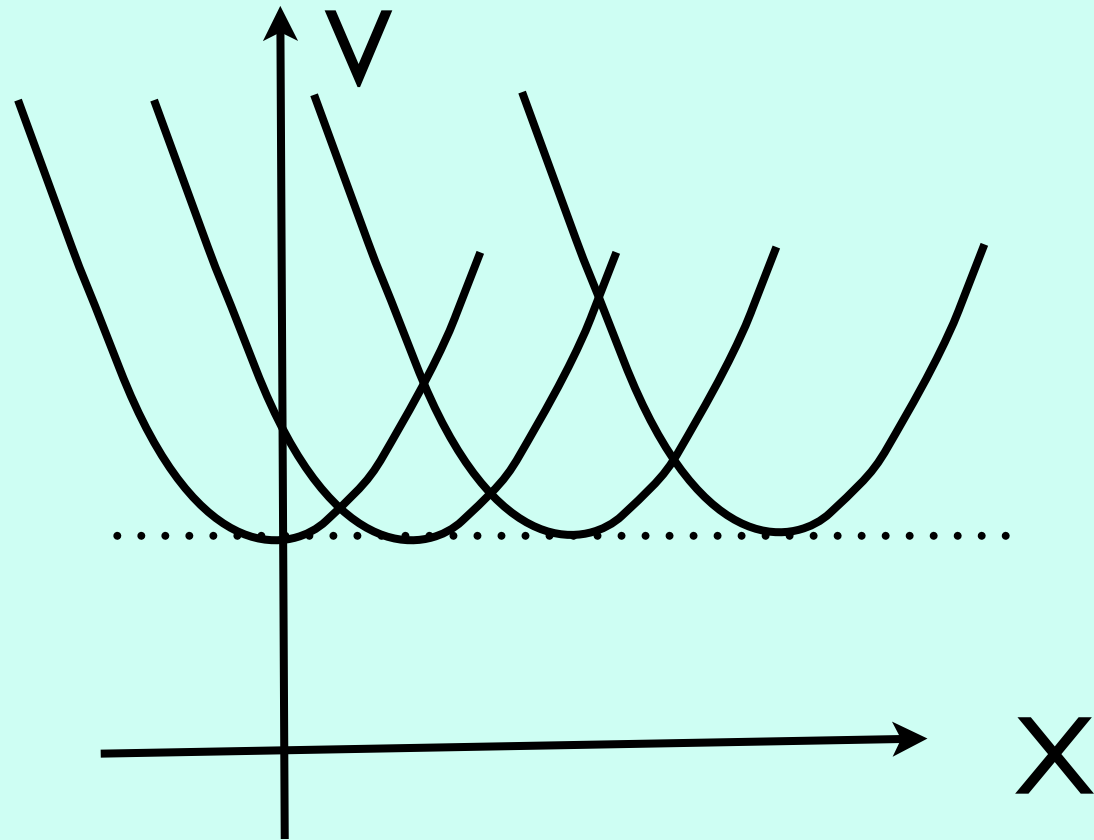
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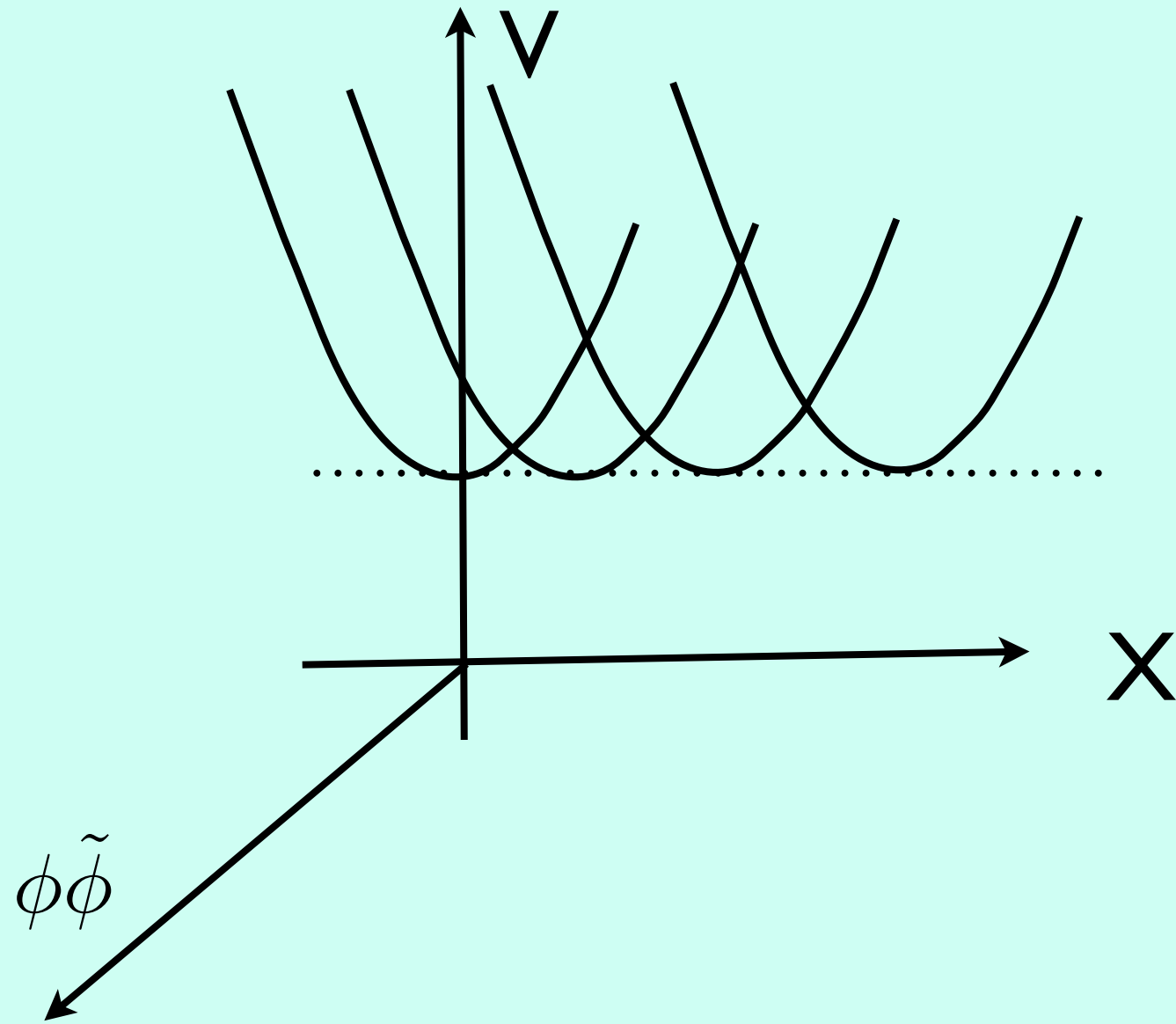
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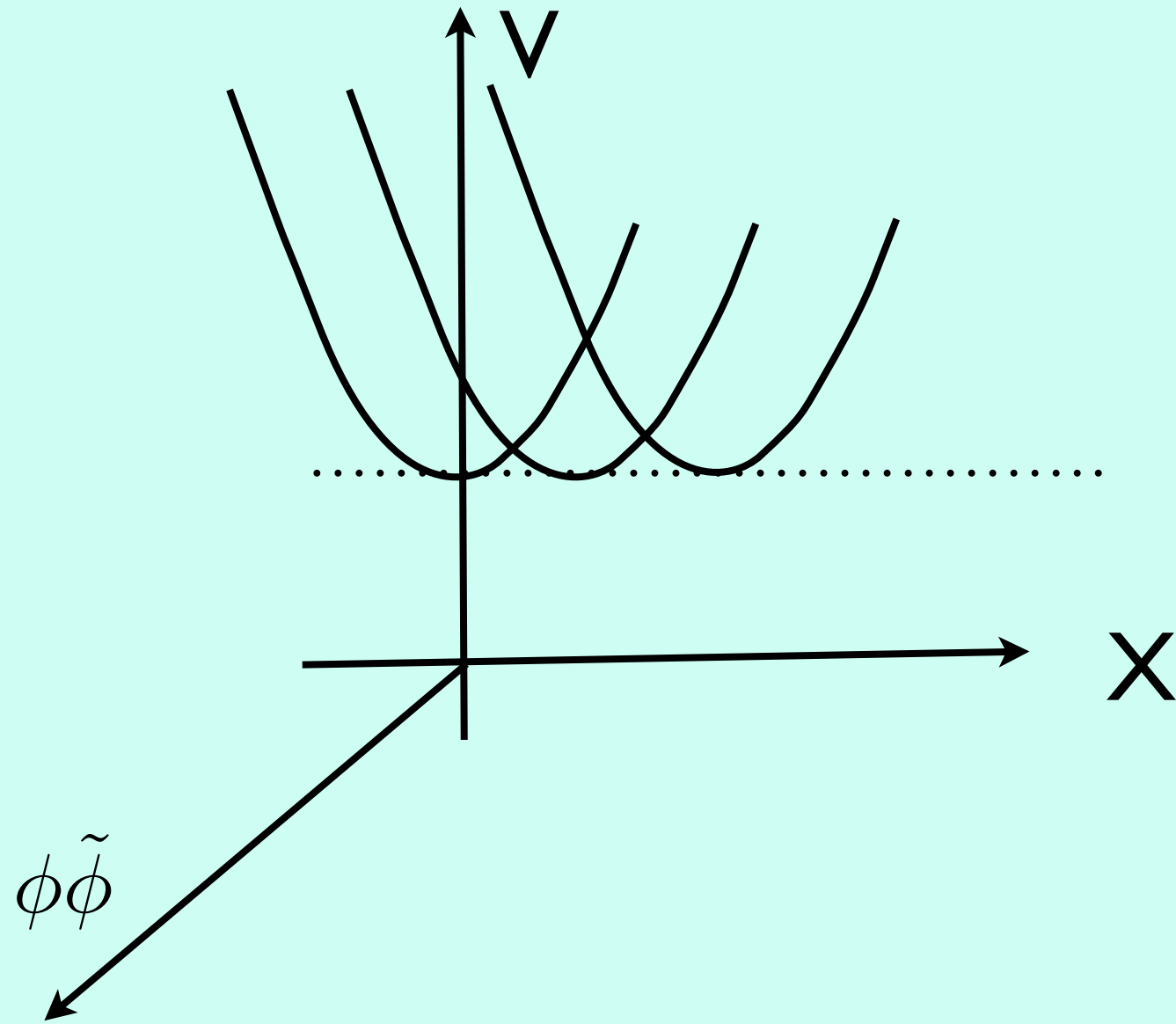
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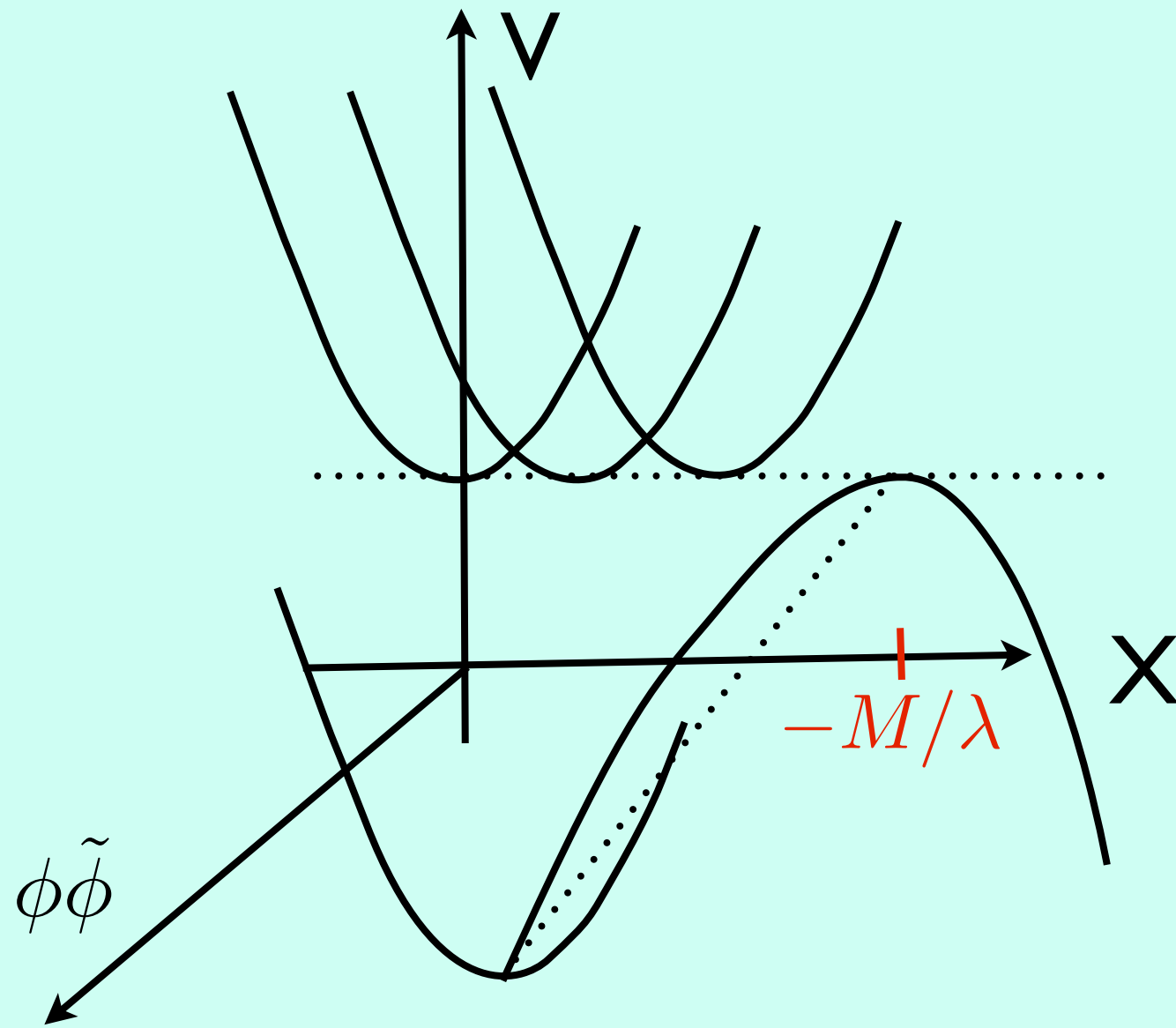
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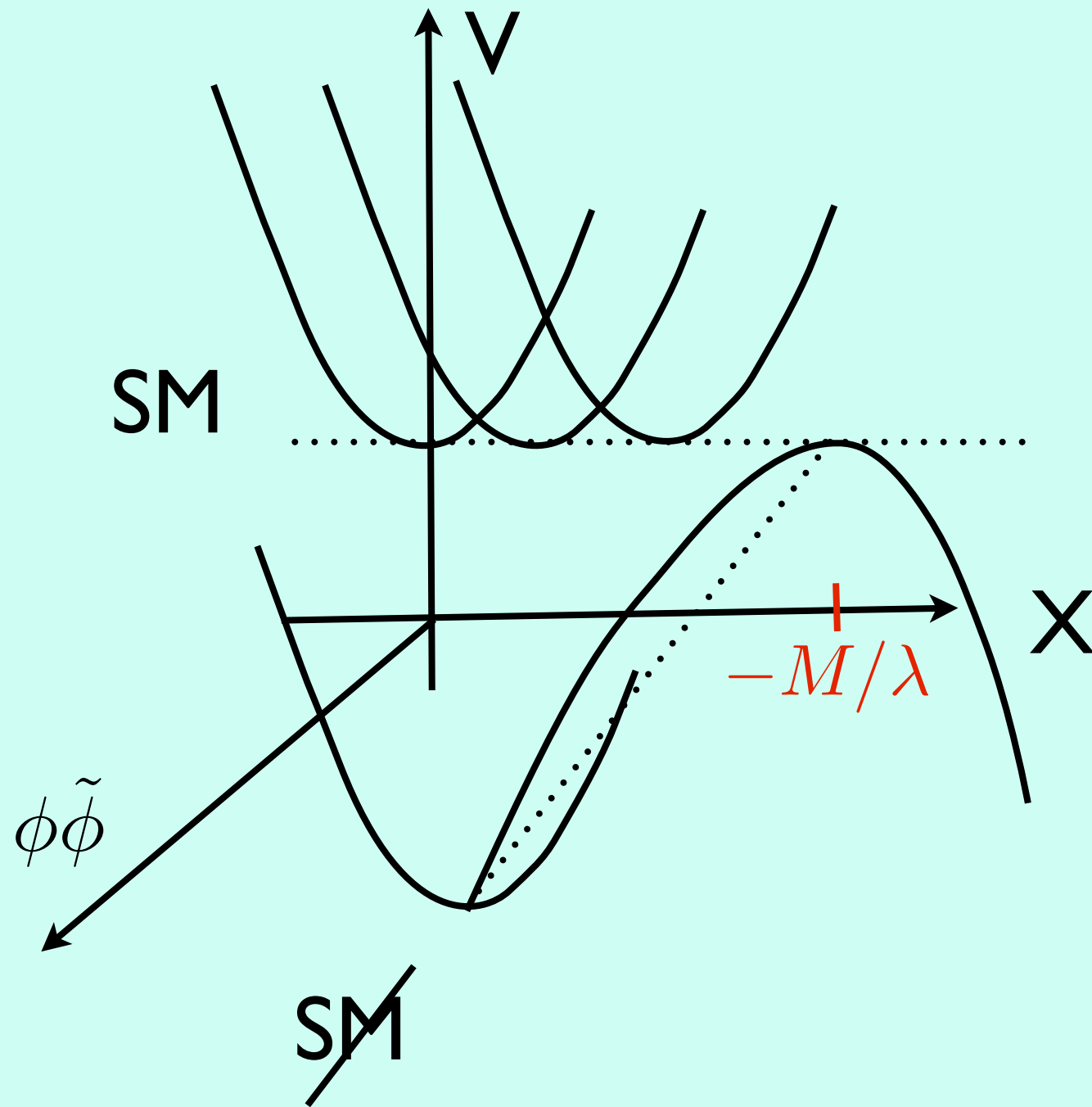
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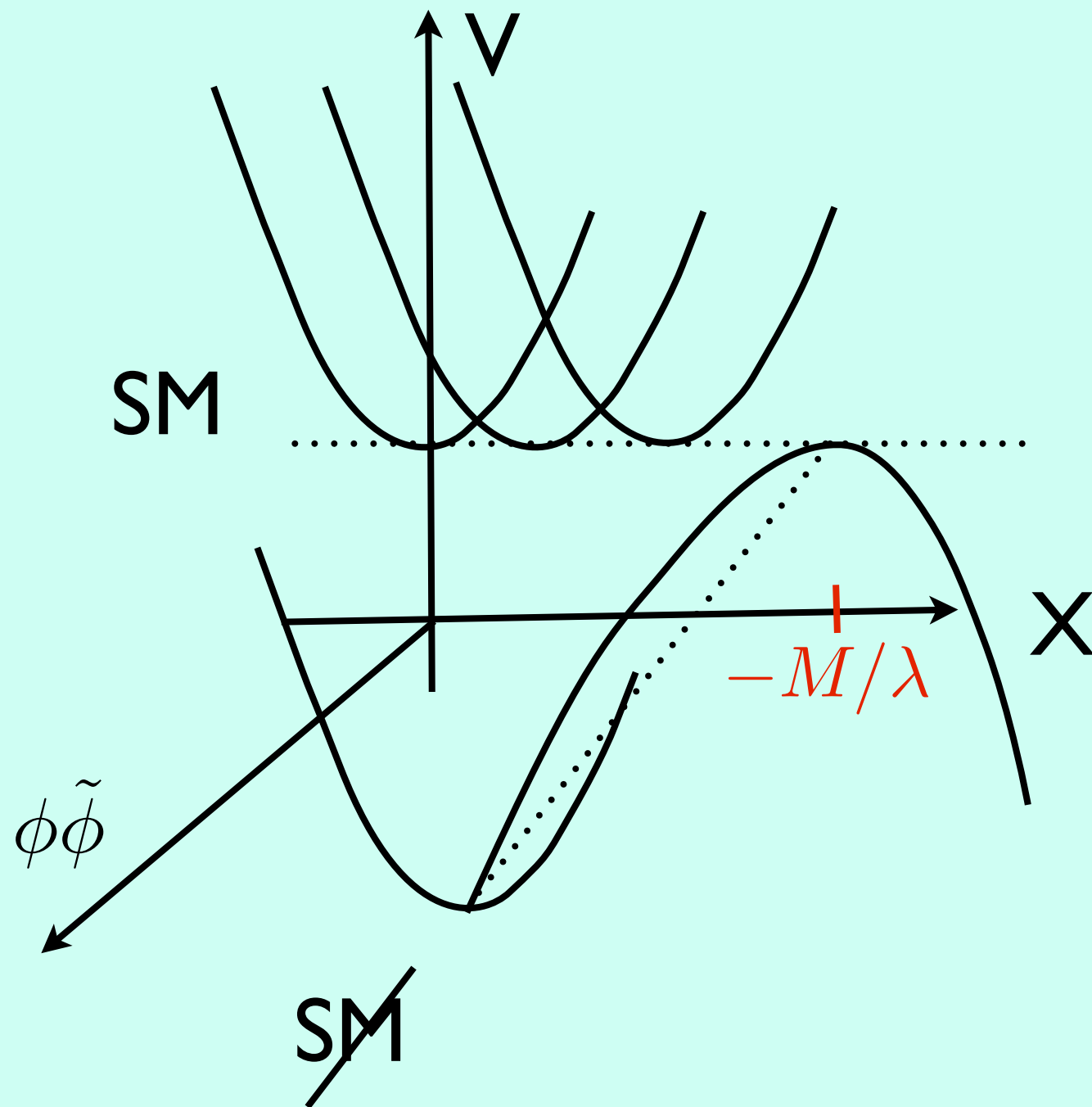
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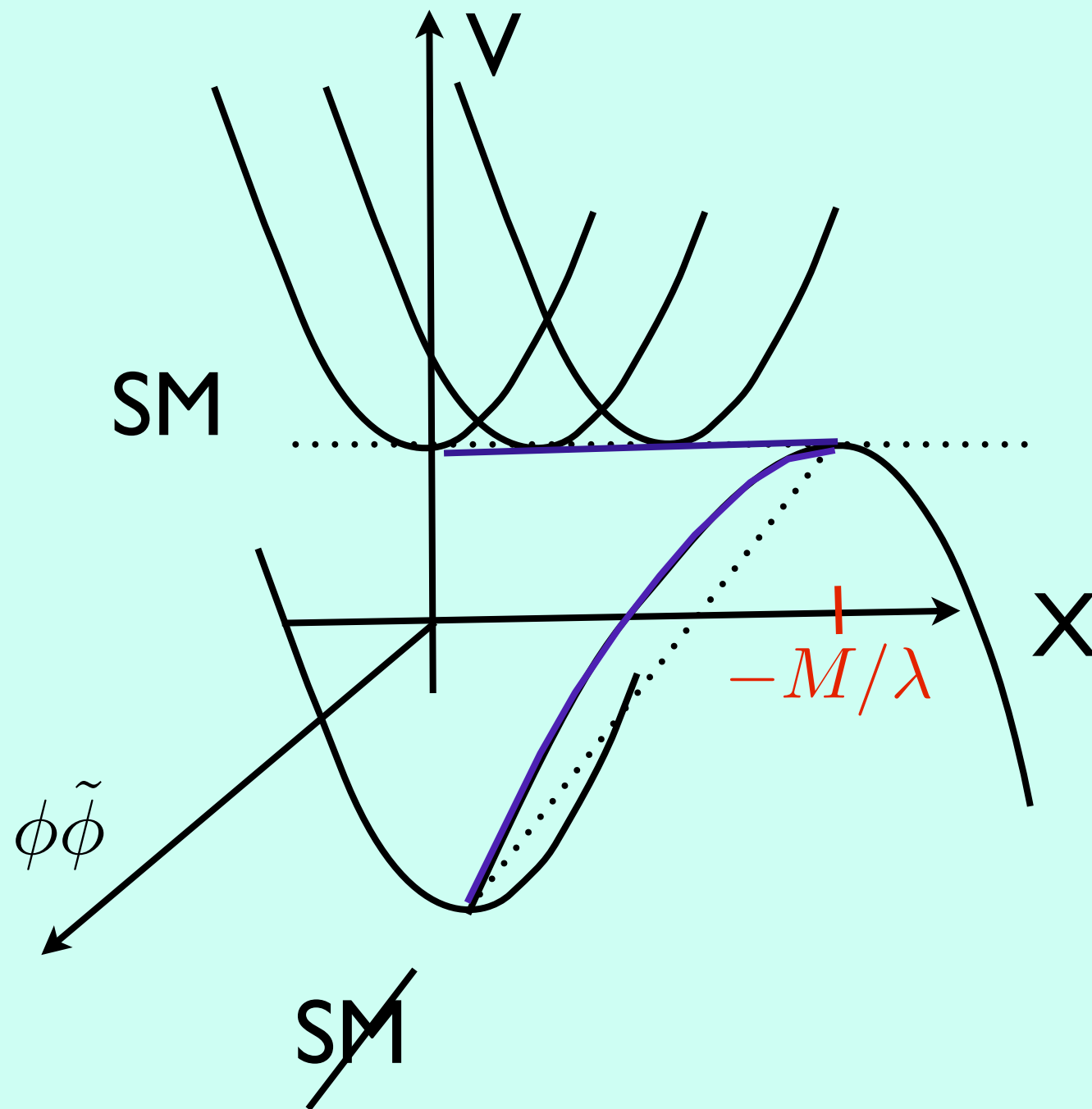
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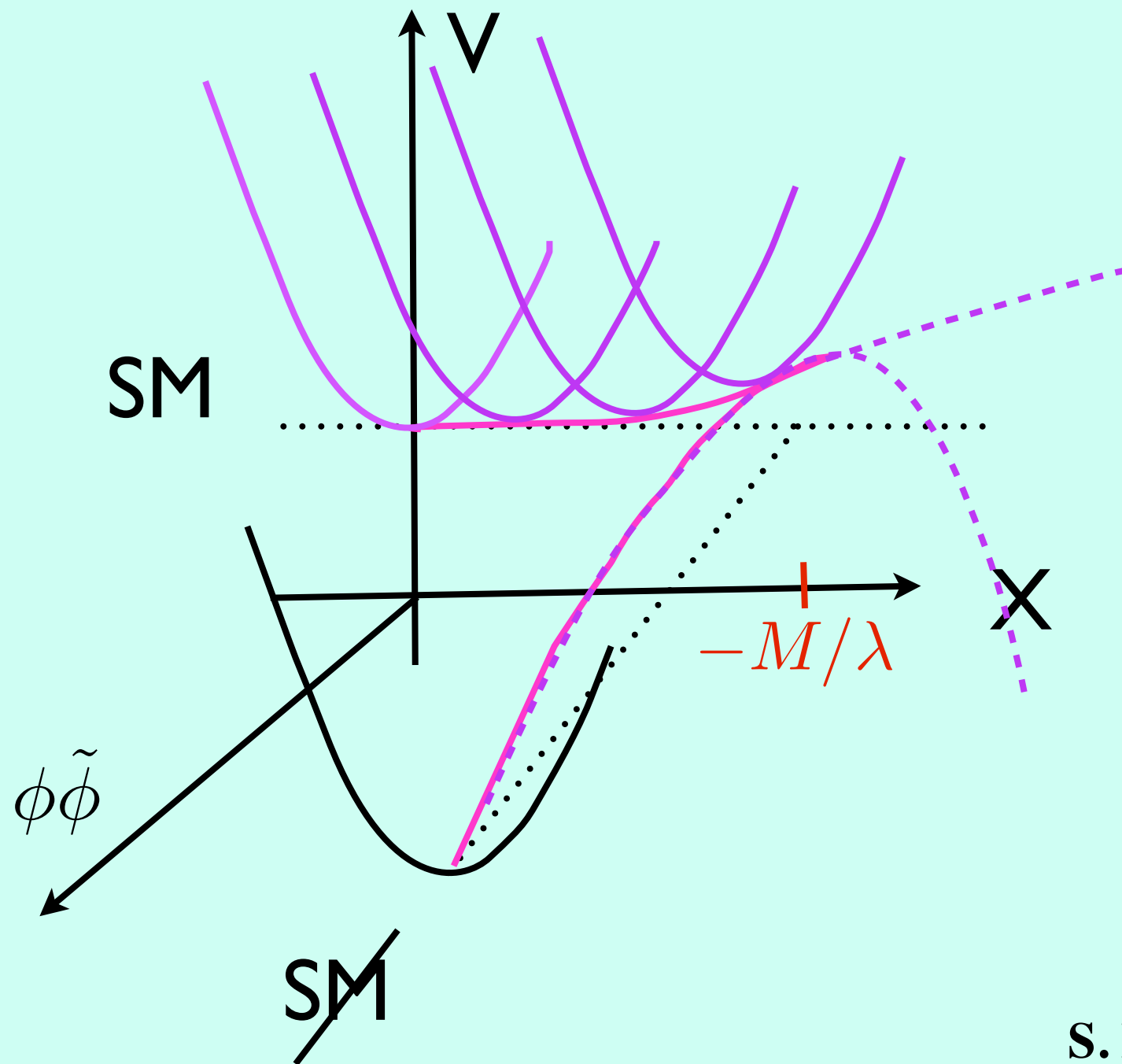
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Quantum corrections:
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Flat directions and quantum corrections

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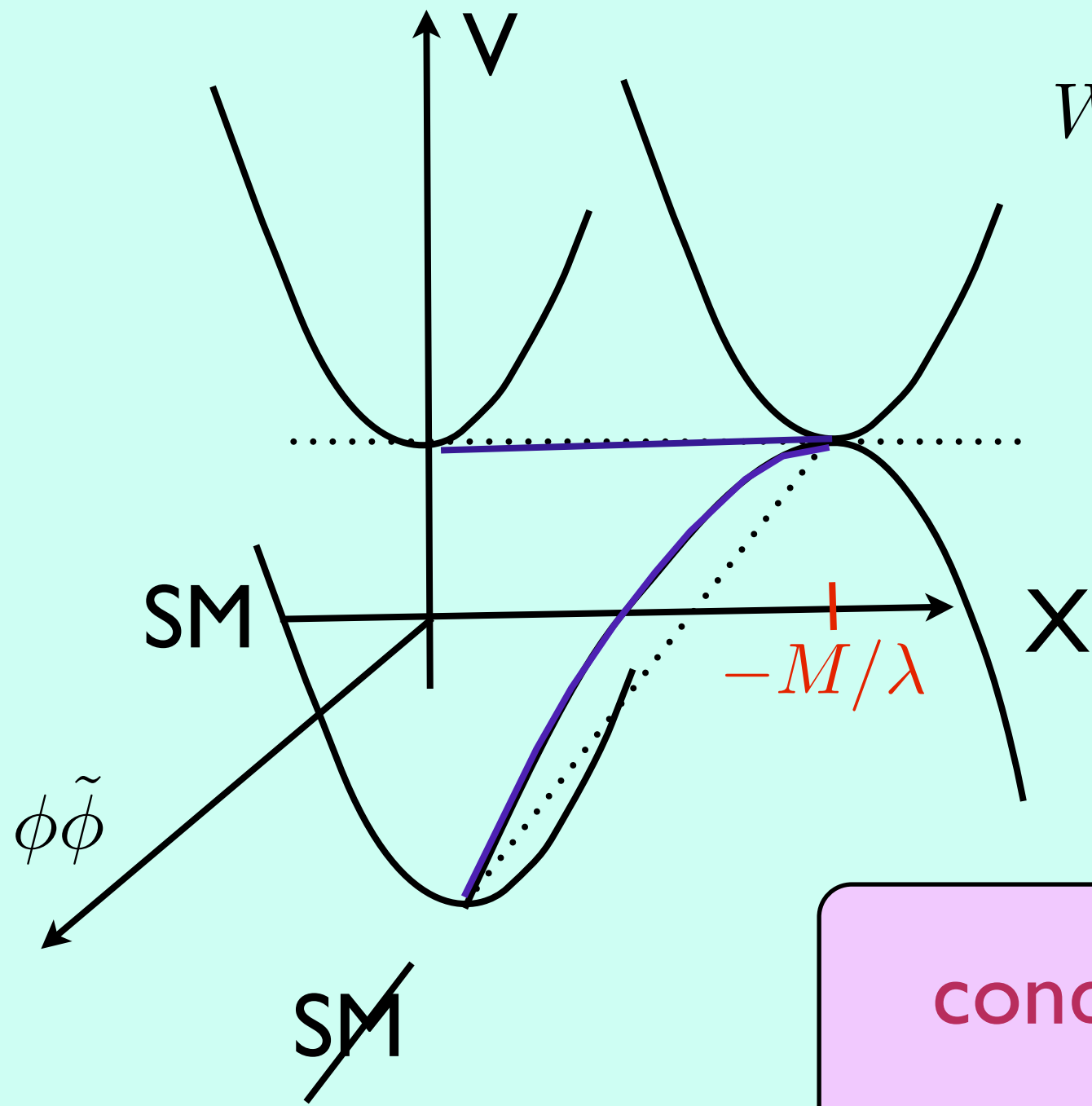
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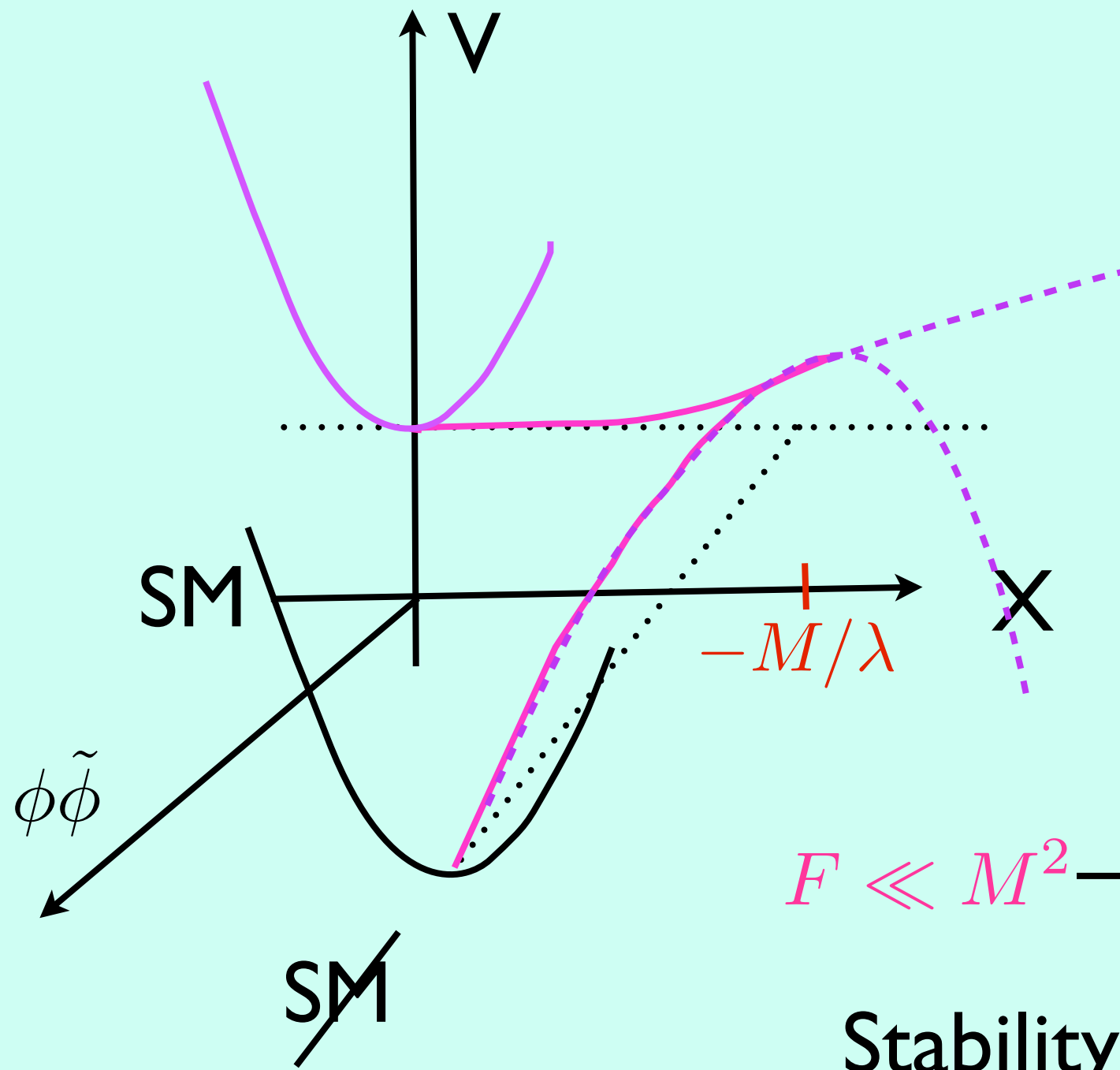
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condition for (meta)stability:

$$N \leq 2M$$



$$\Delta X = M/\lambda$$

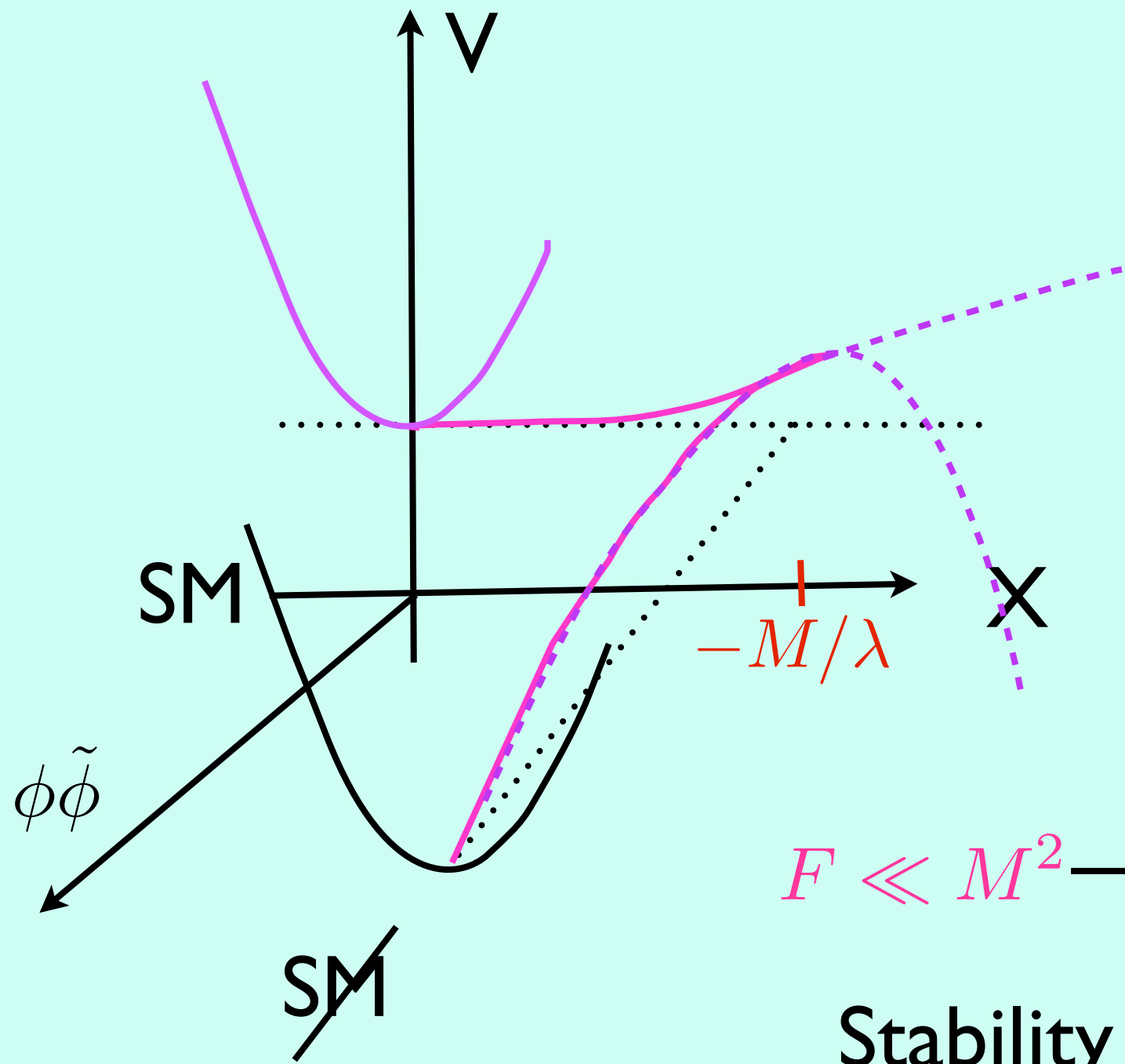
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SUSY Breaking : $N > M$

SUSY Breaking with messengers : $N > M+1$

No flat directions : $N \leq 2M$

Window: $M + 1 < N \leq 2M$

minimal:
M=2, N=4

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$$F_{X_4} = f_4 + h_4\chi_1^2 + \lambda_4\phi\tilde{\phi}$$

$$F_{\chi_1} = m_1X_1 + 2(h_3X_3 + h_4X_4)\chi_1$$

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