

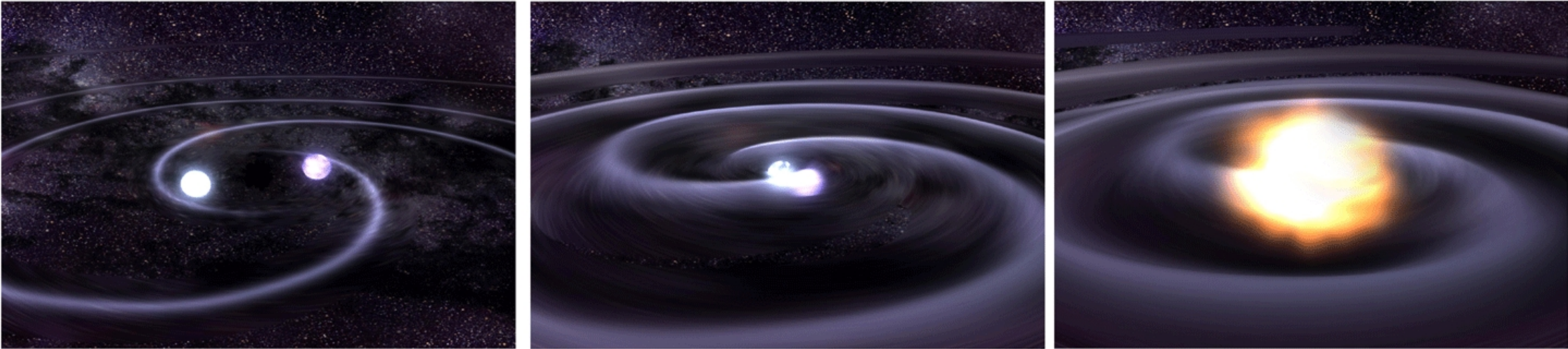
2PN Solution to Binary Black Hole Dynamics

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Inspiring binary black holes (BBHs) that finally merge

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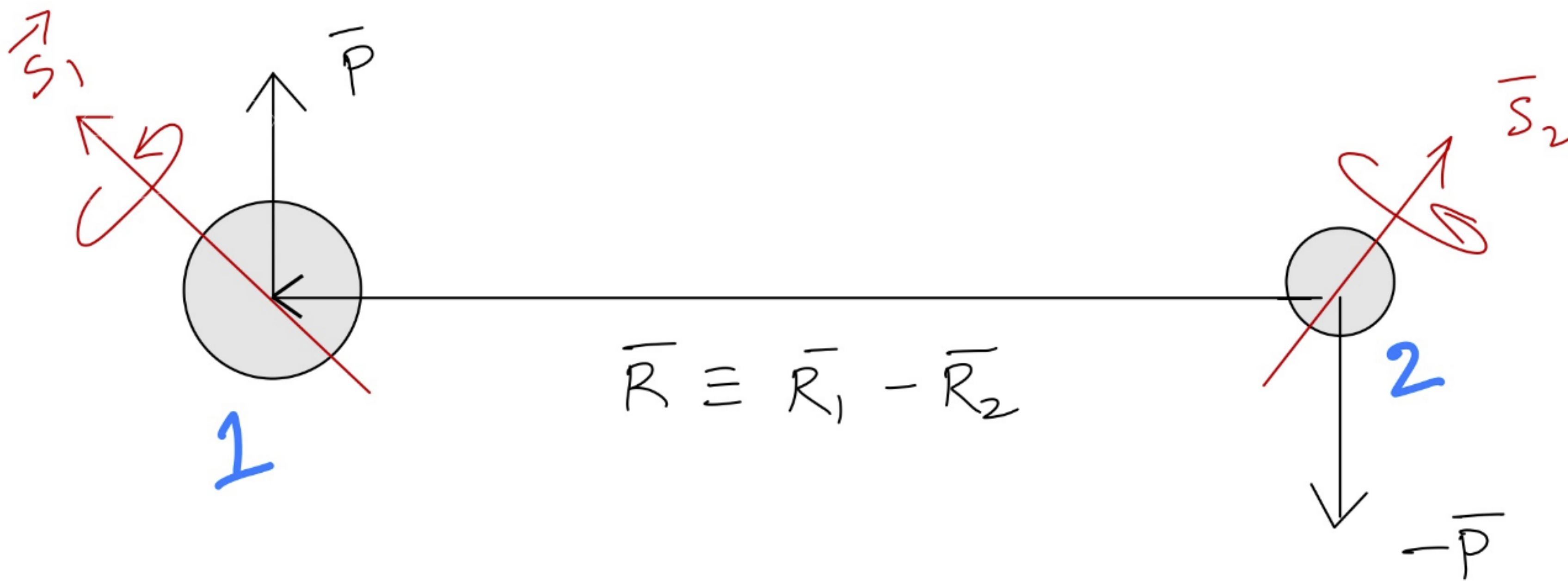
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Gravity

Newtonian, Post-Newtonian, Relativistic



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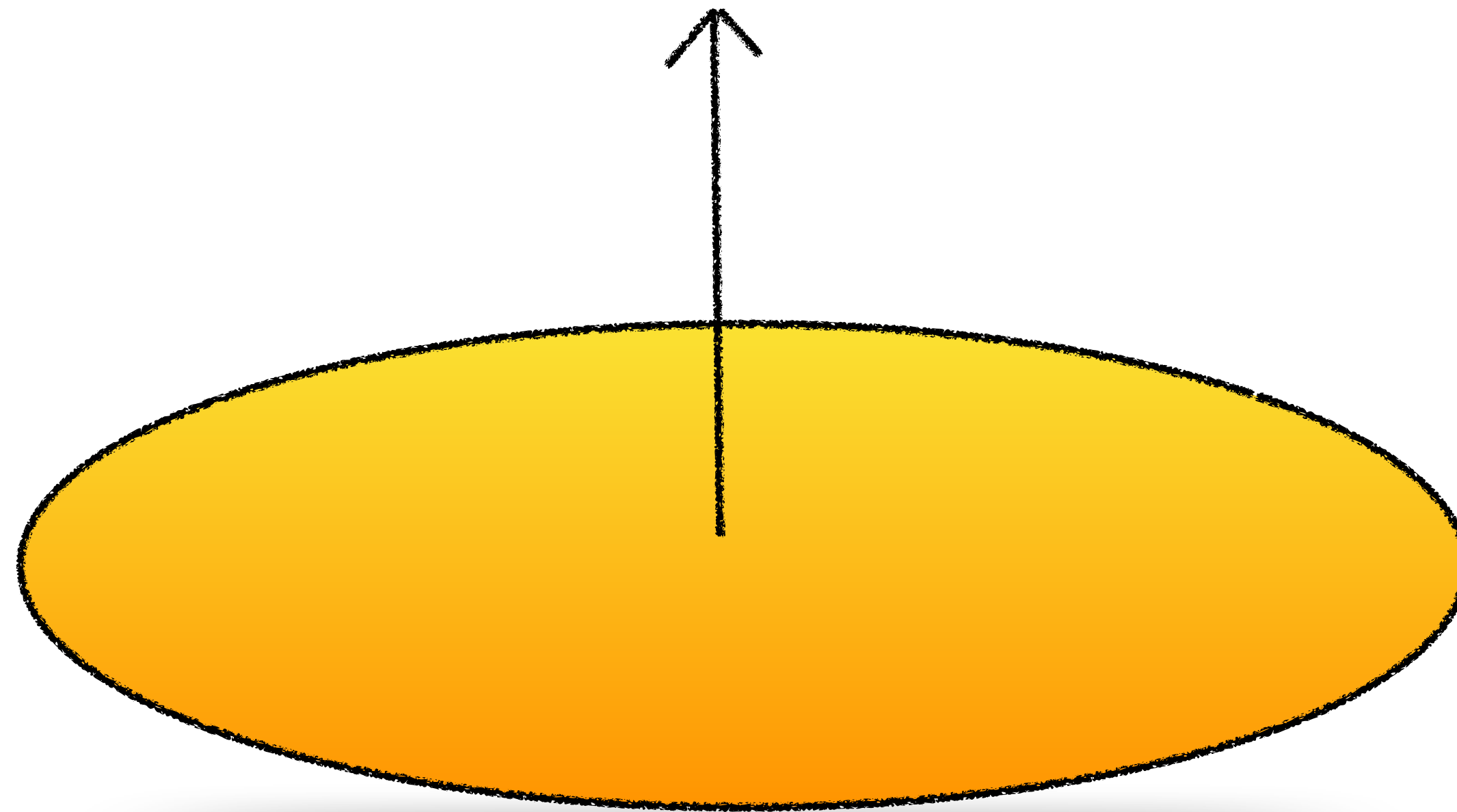
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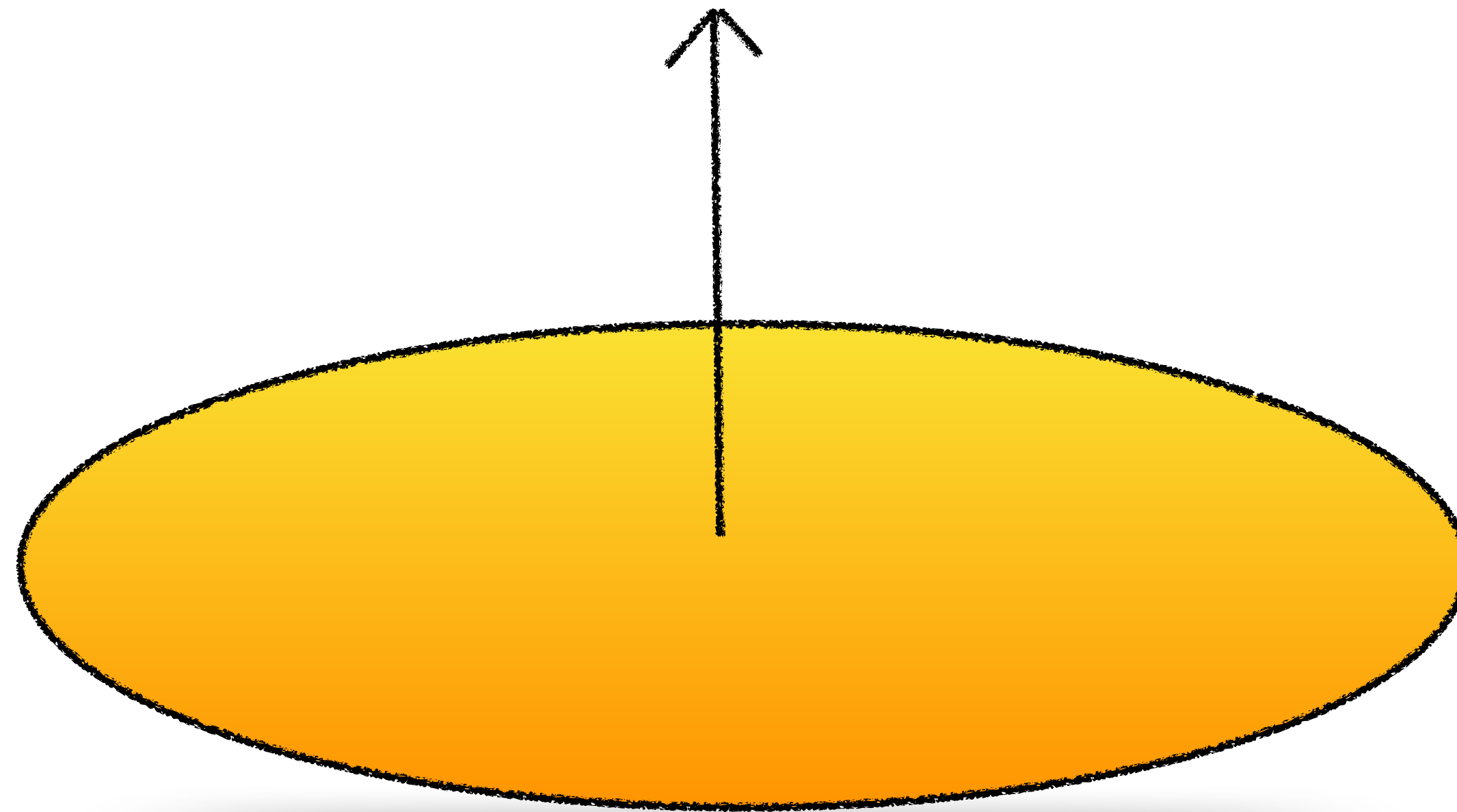
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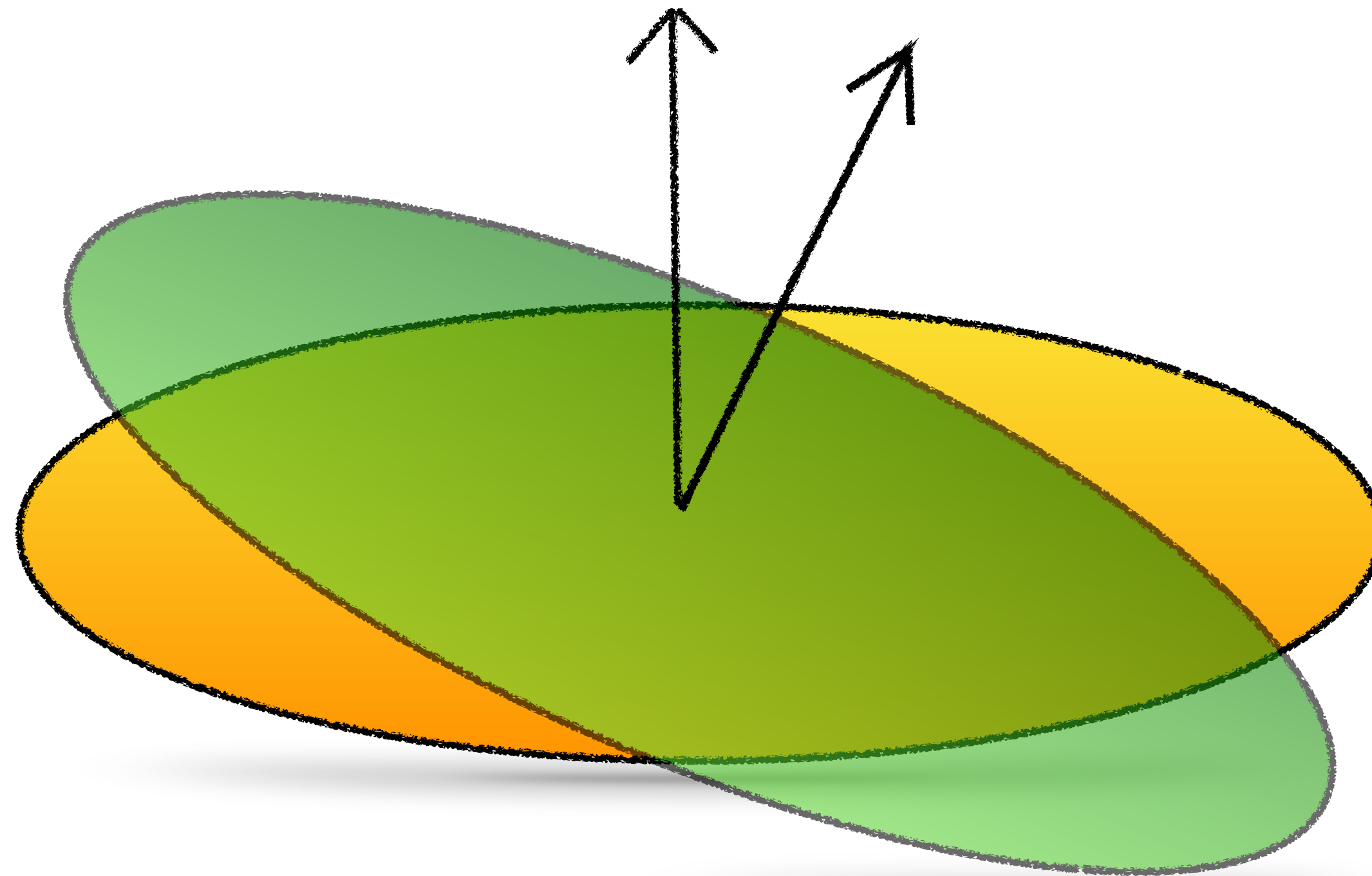
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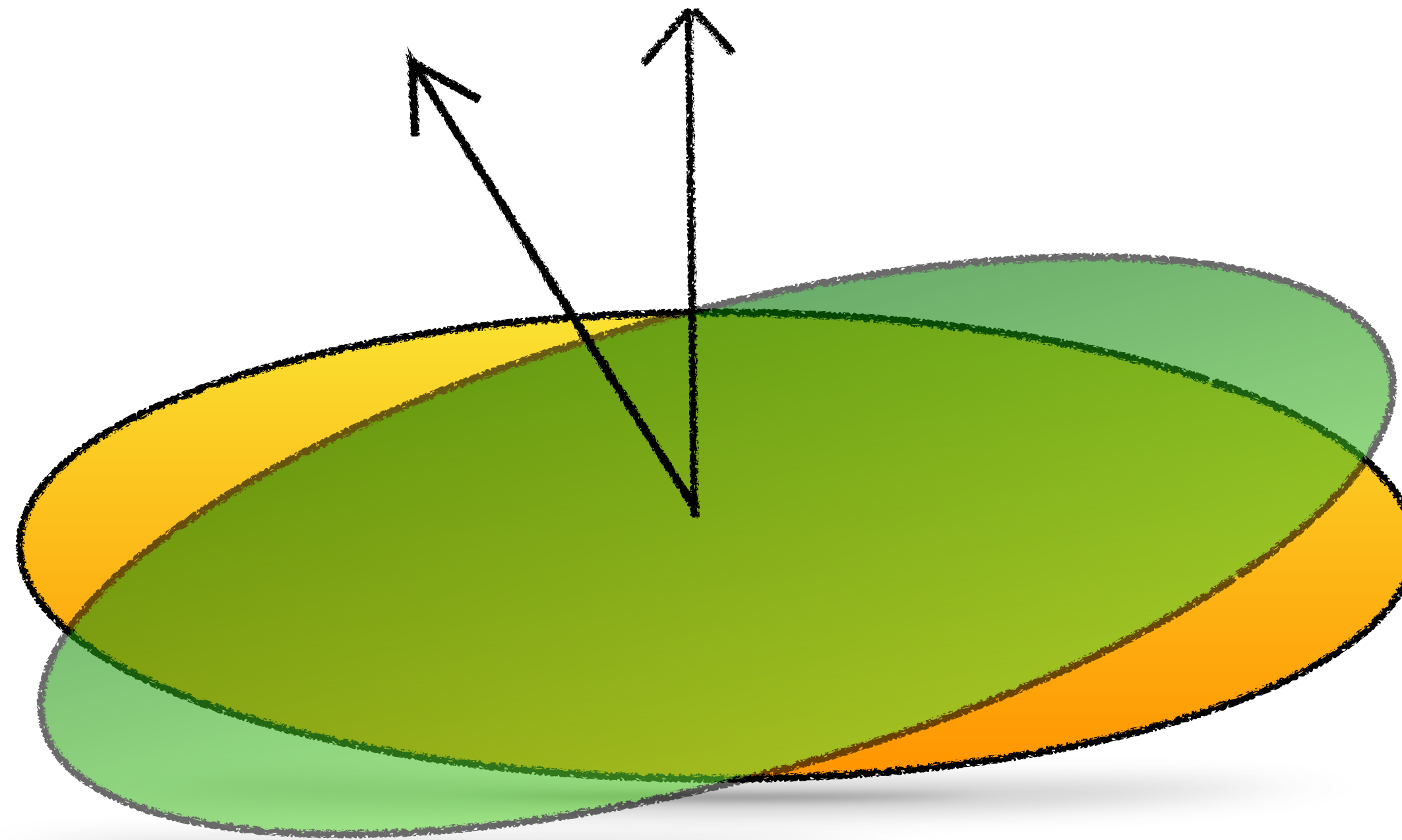
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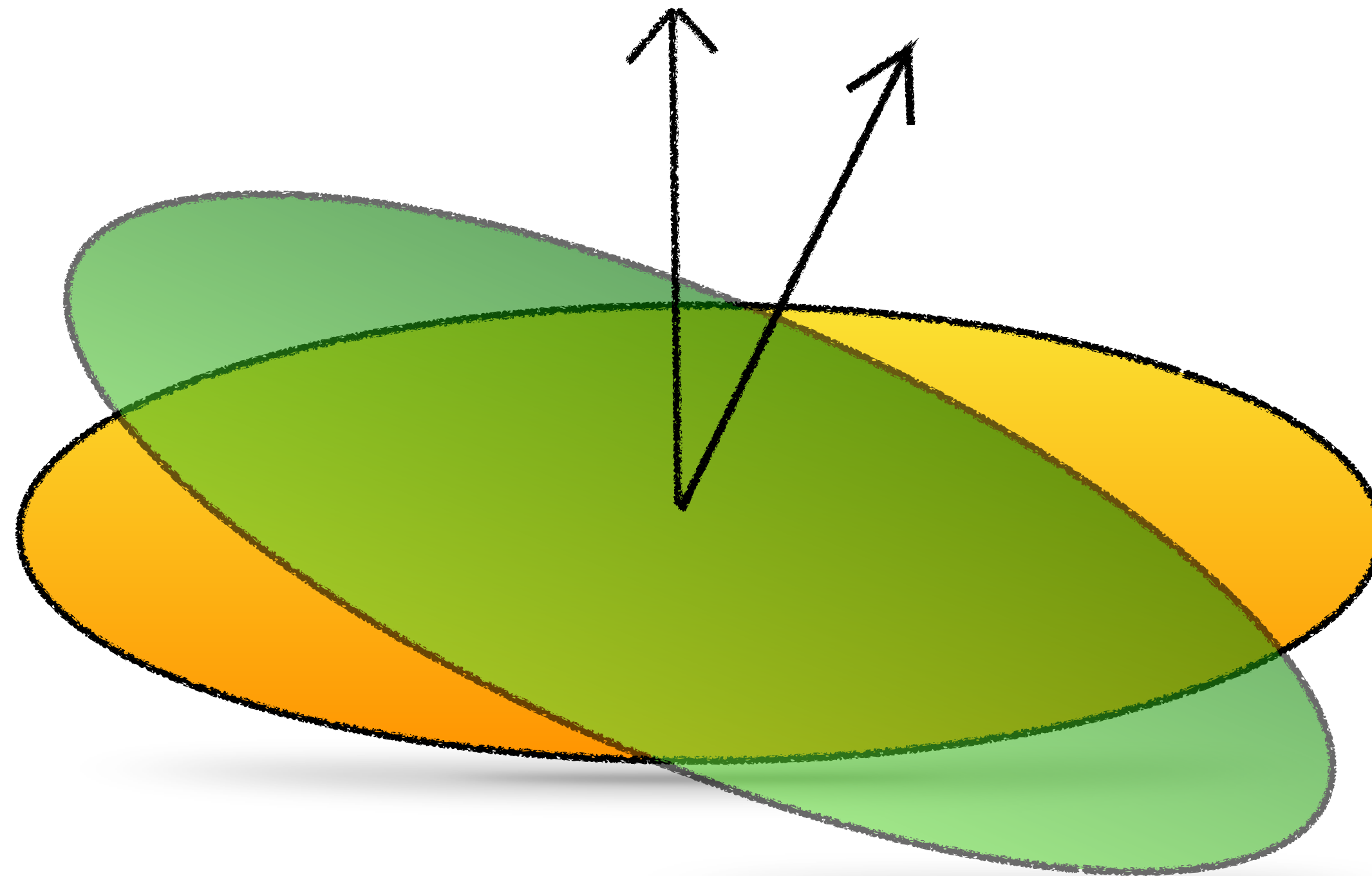
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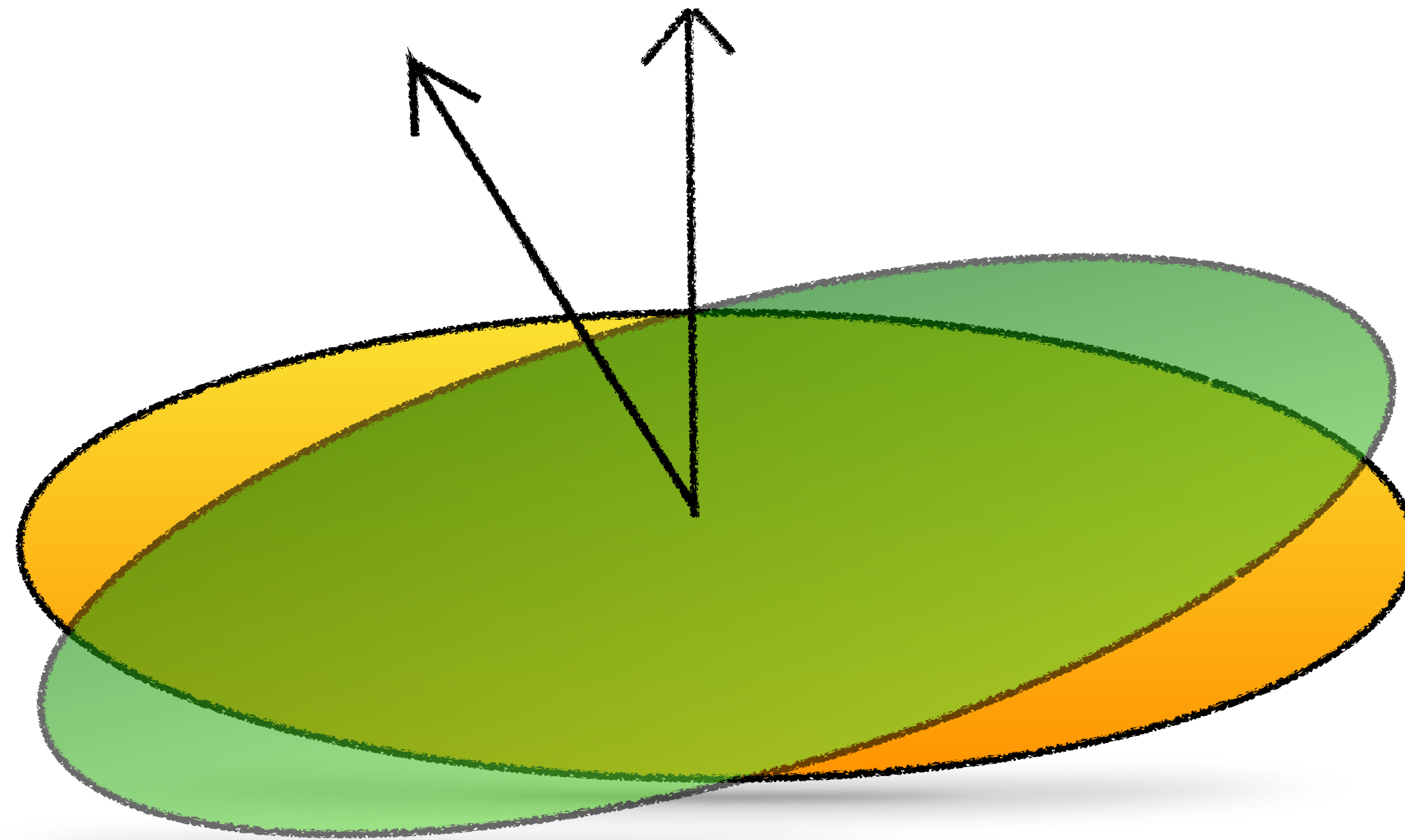
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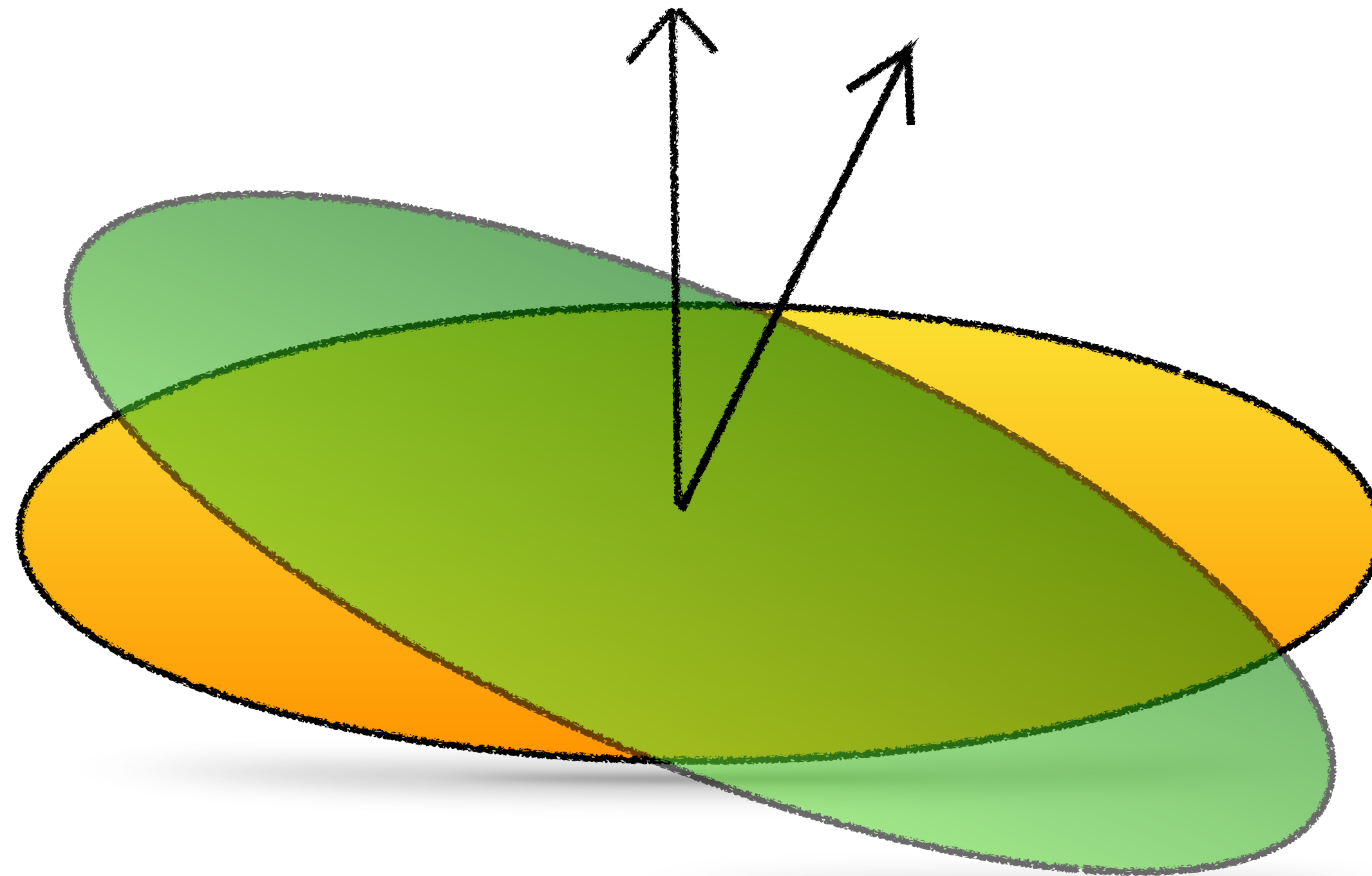
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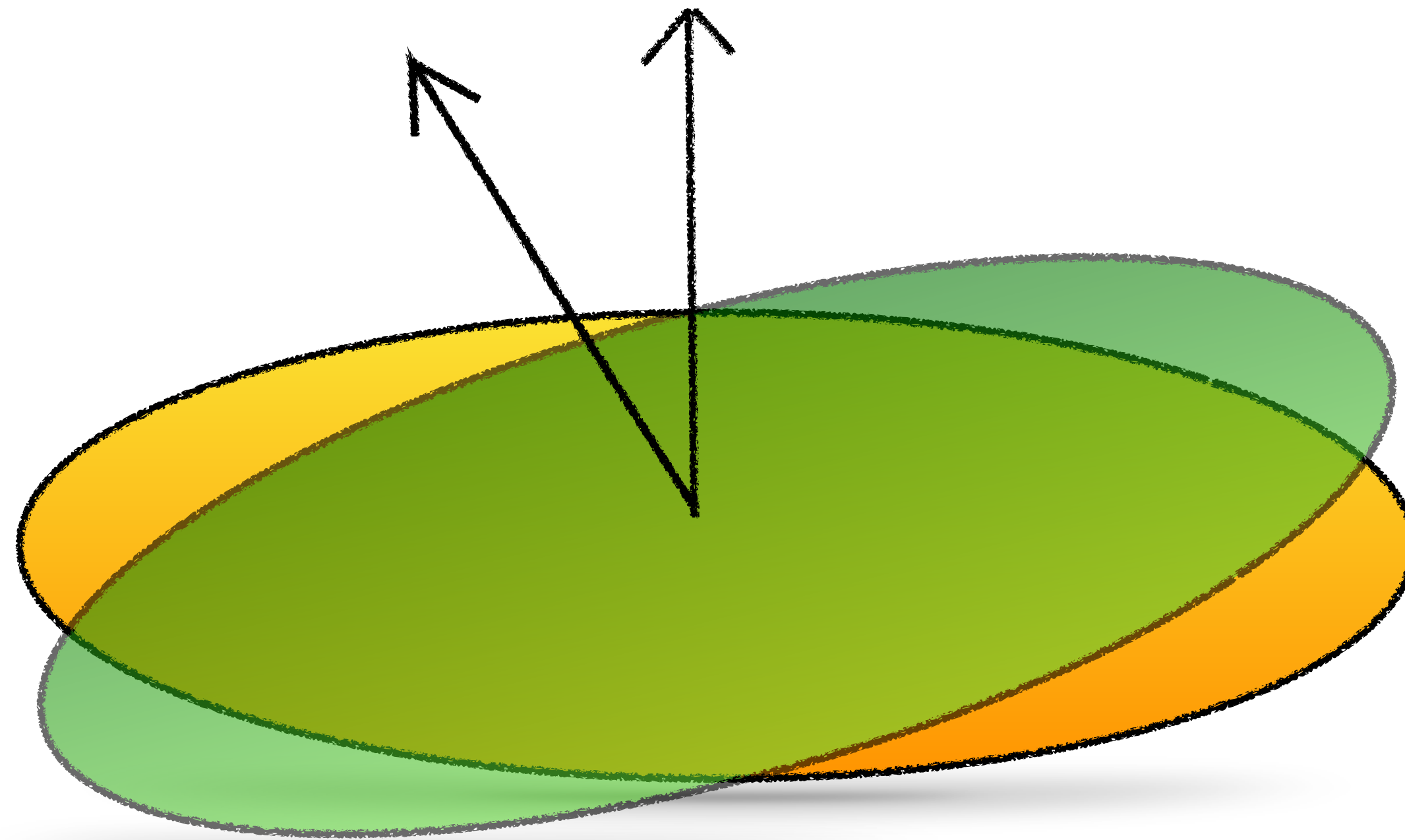
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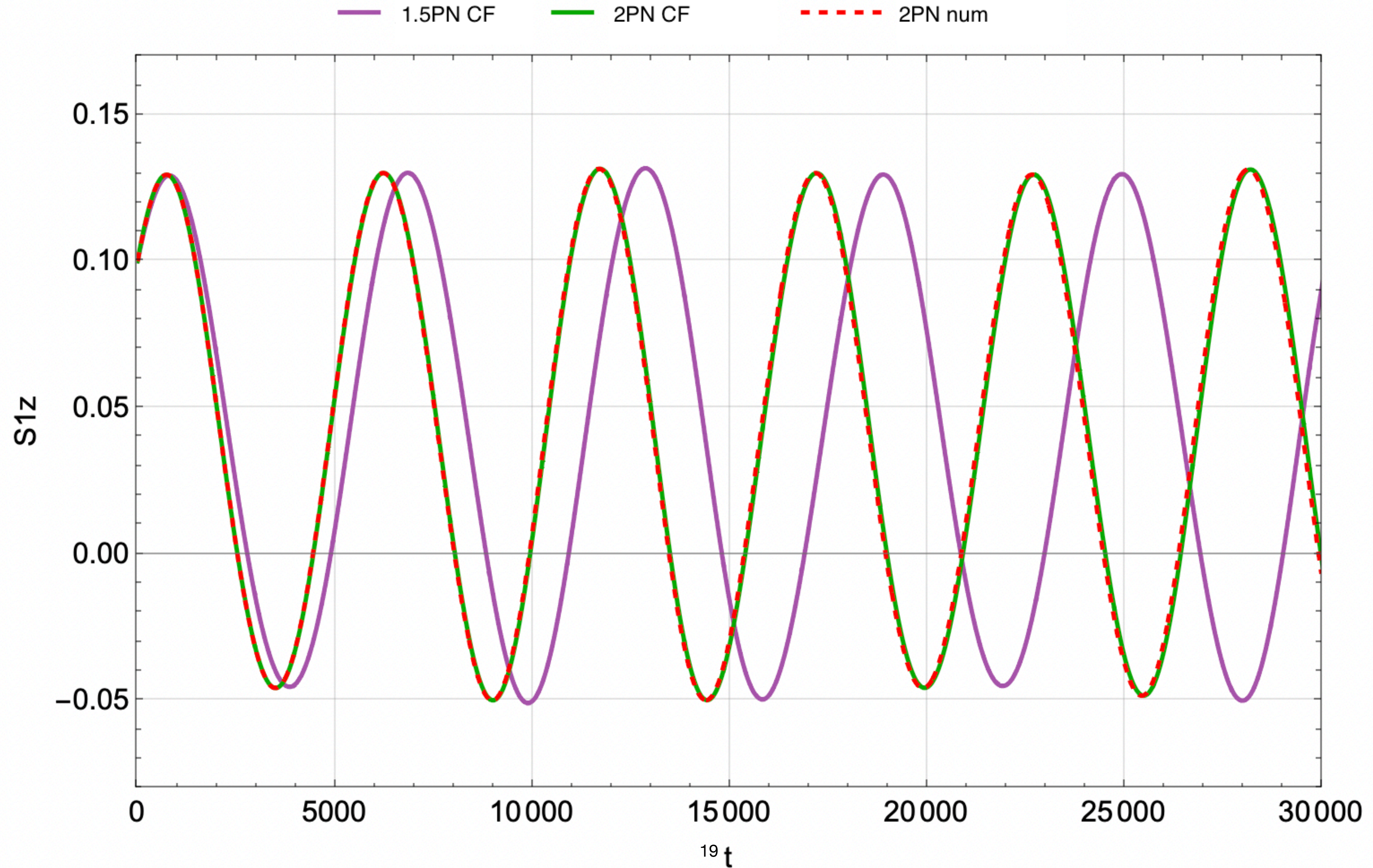
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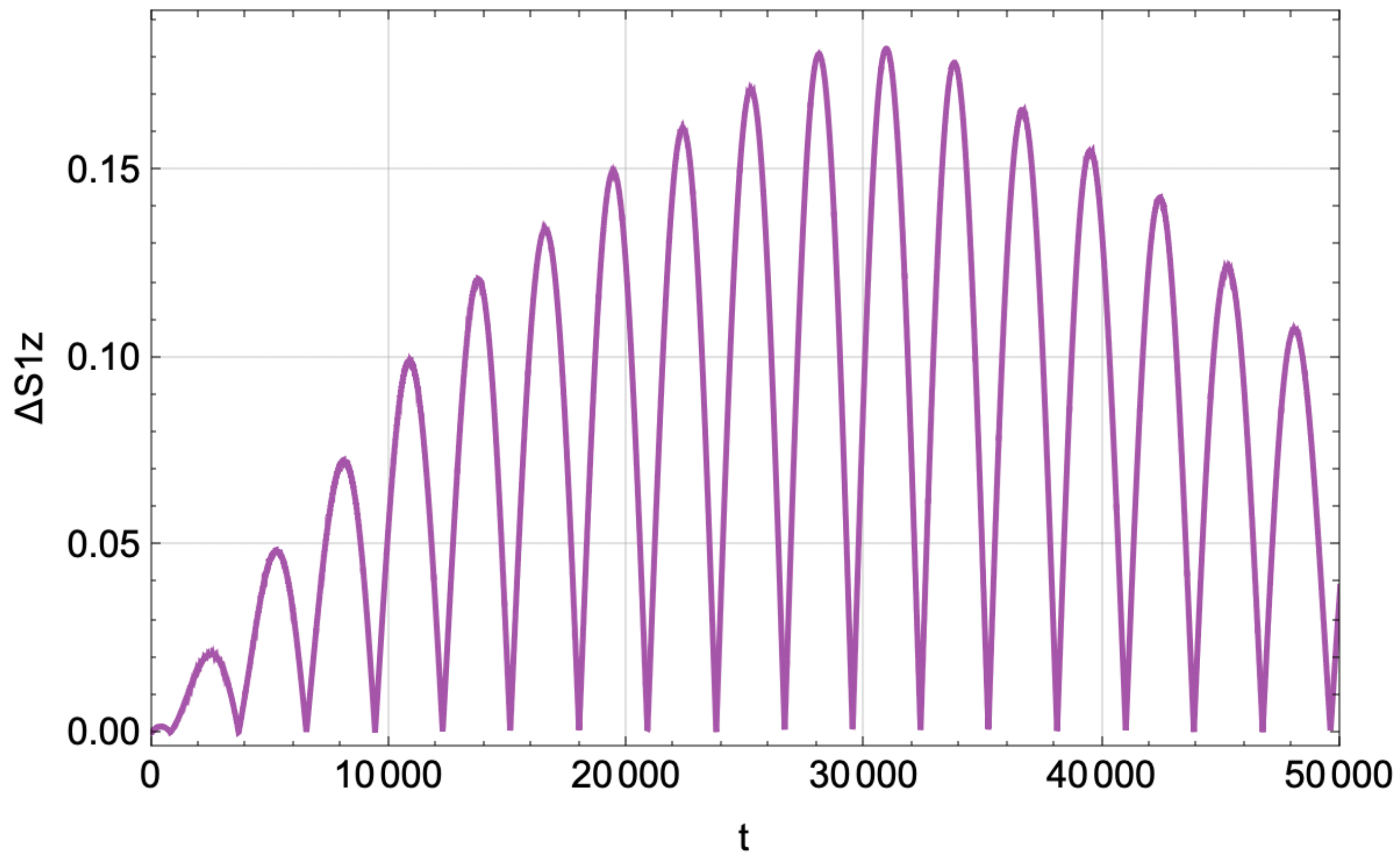
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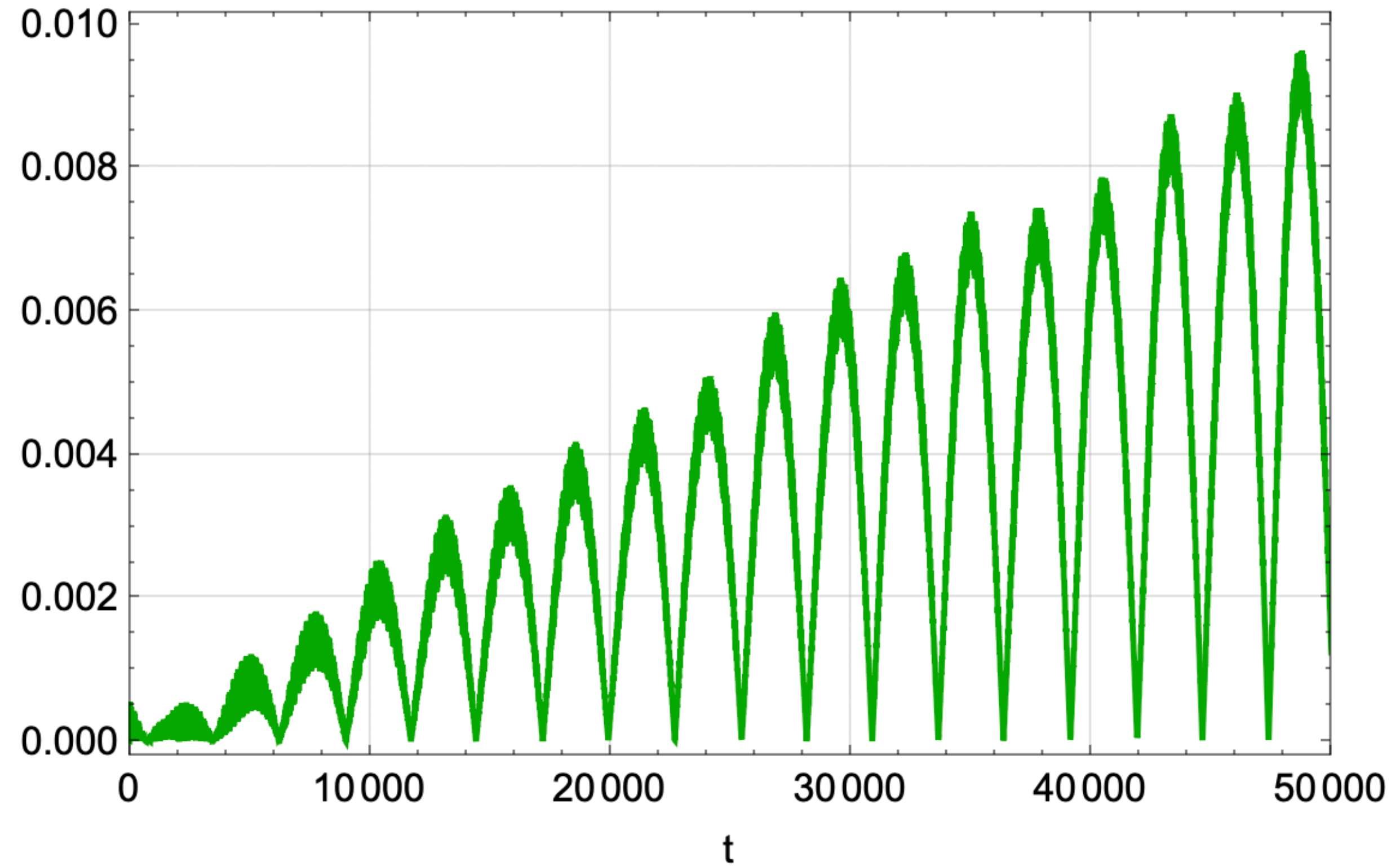


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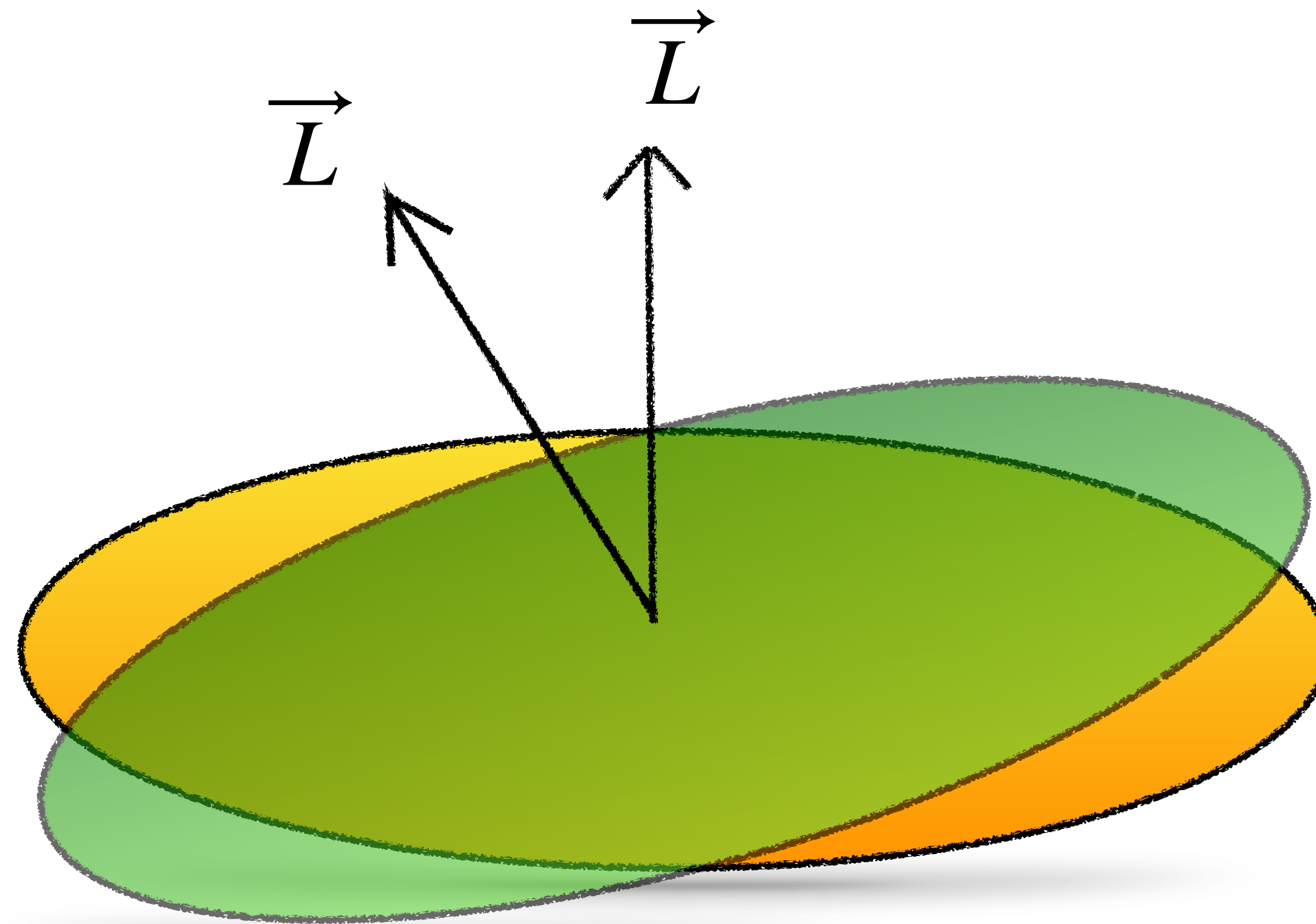


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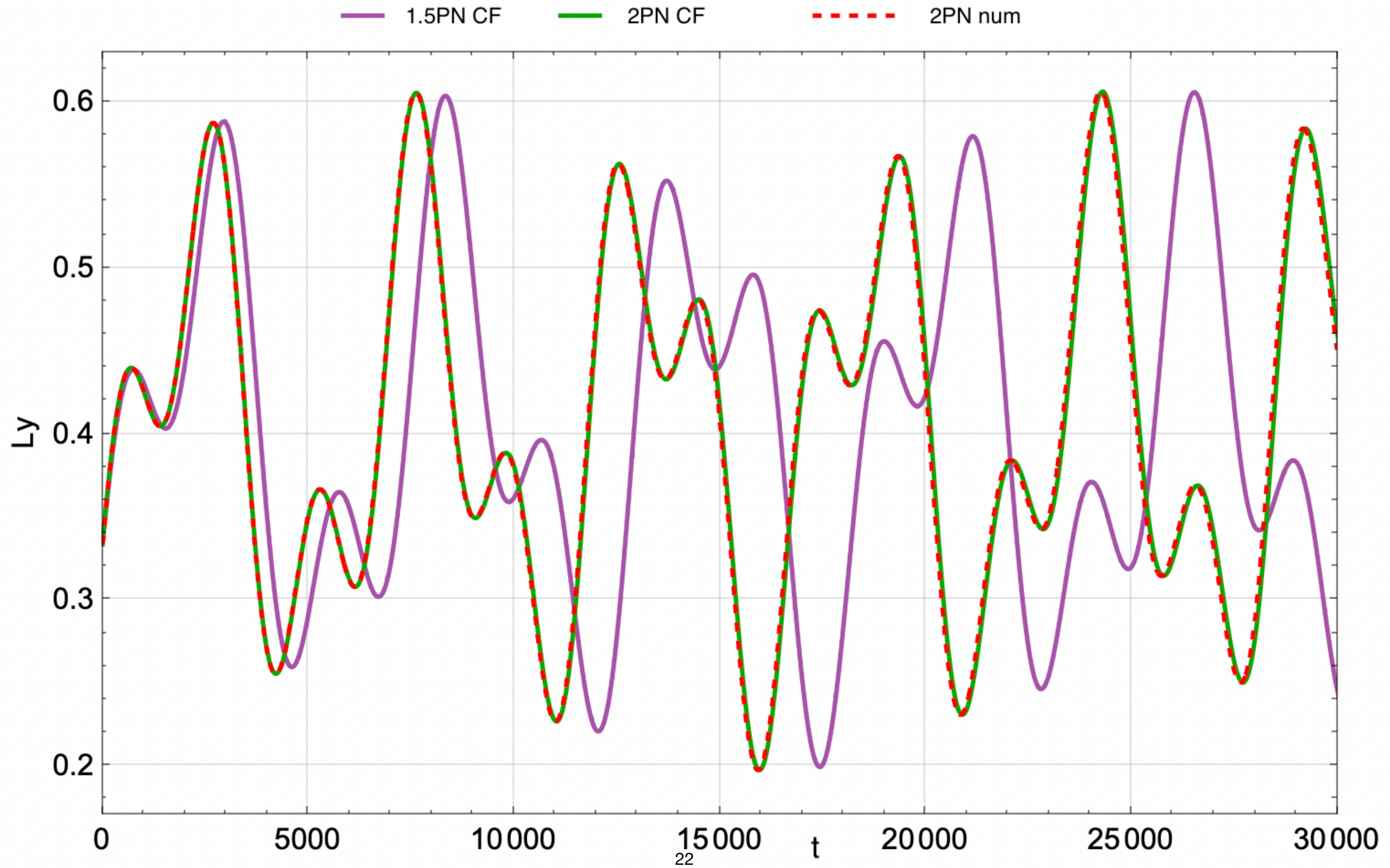


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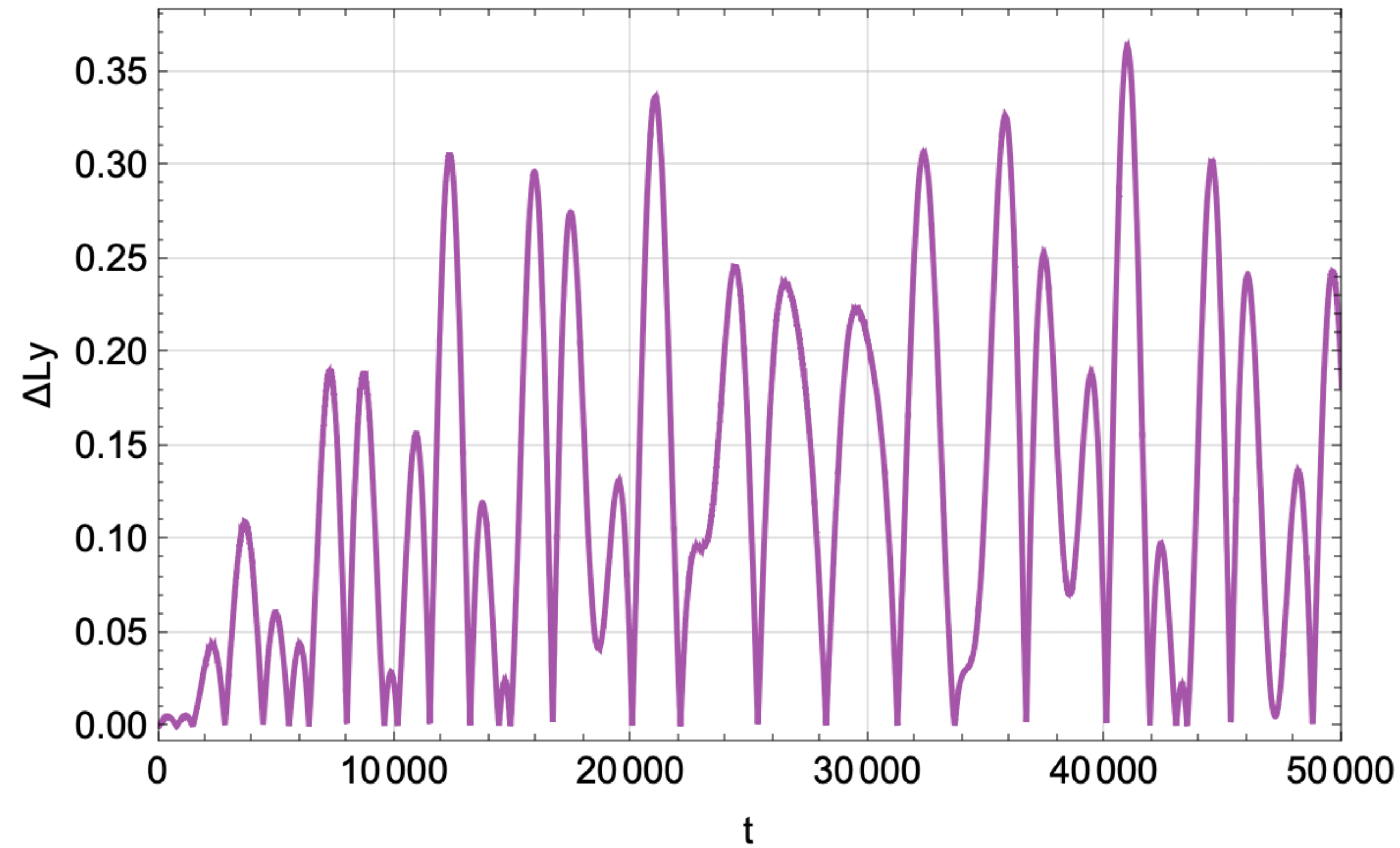


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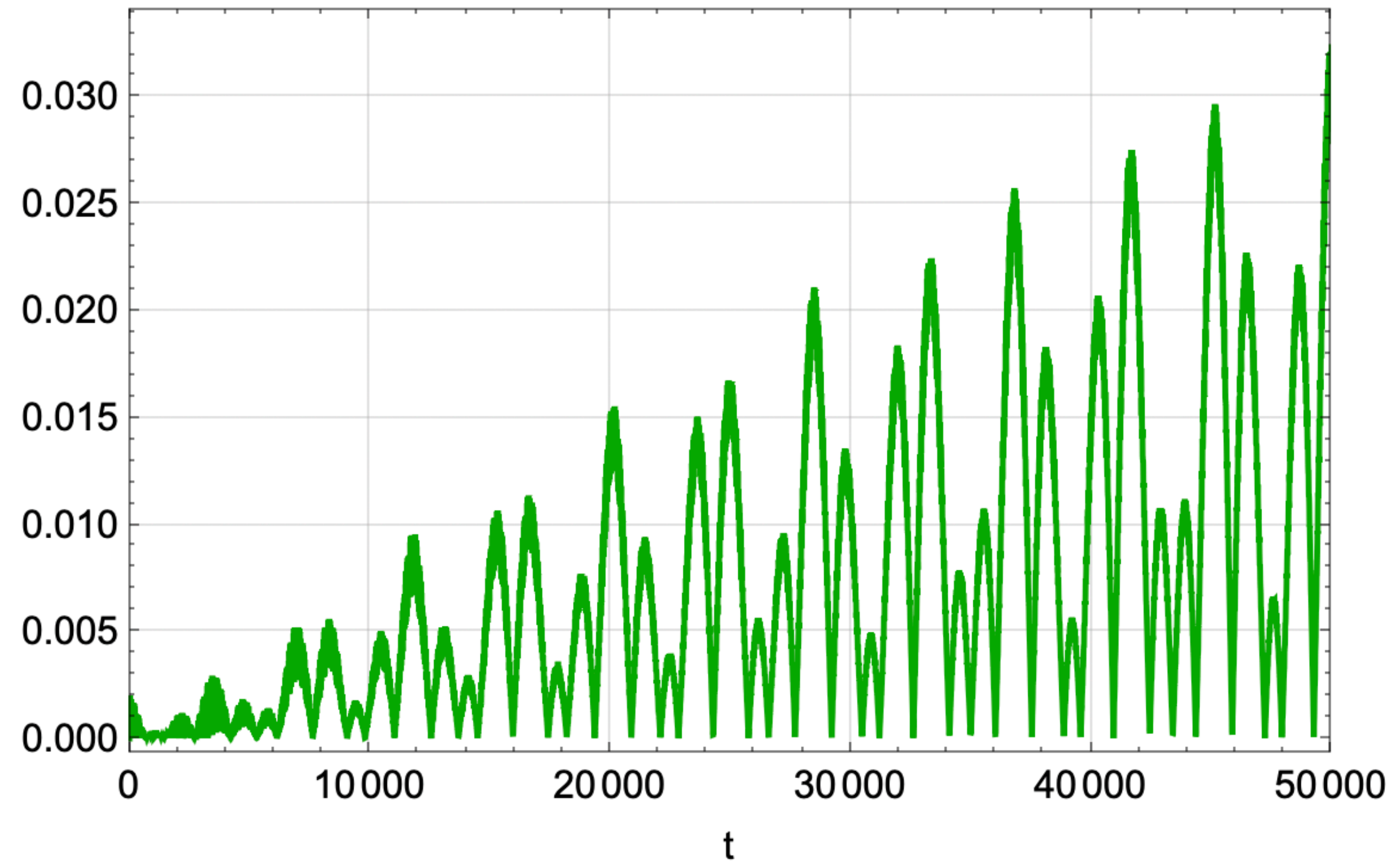


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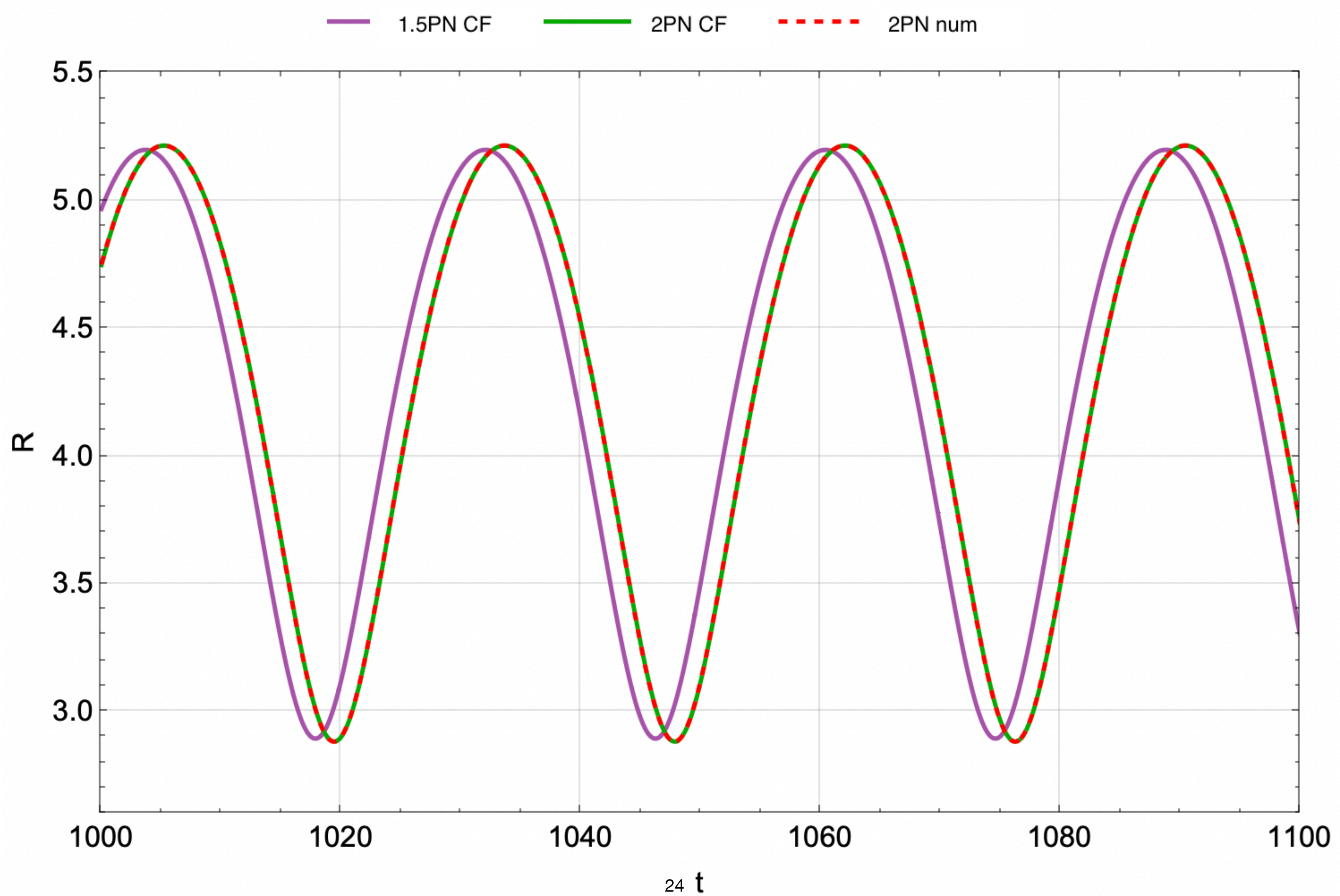
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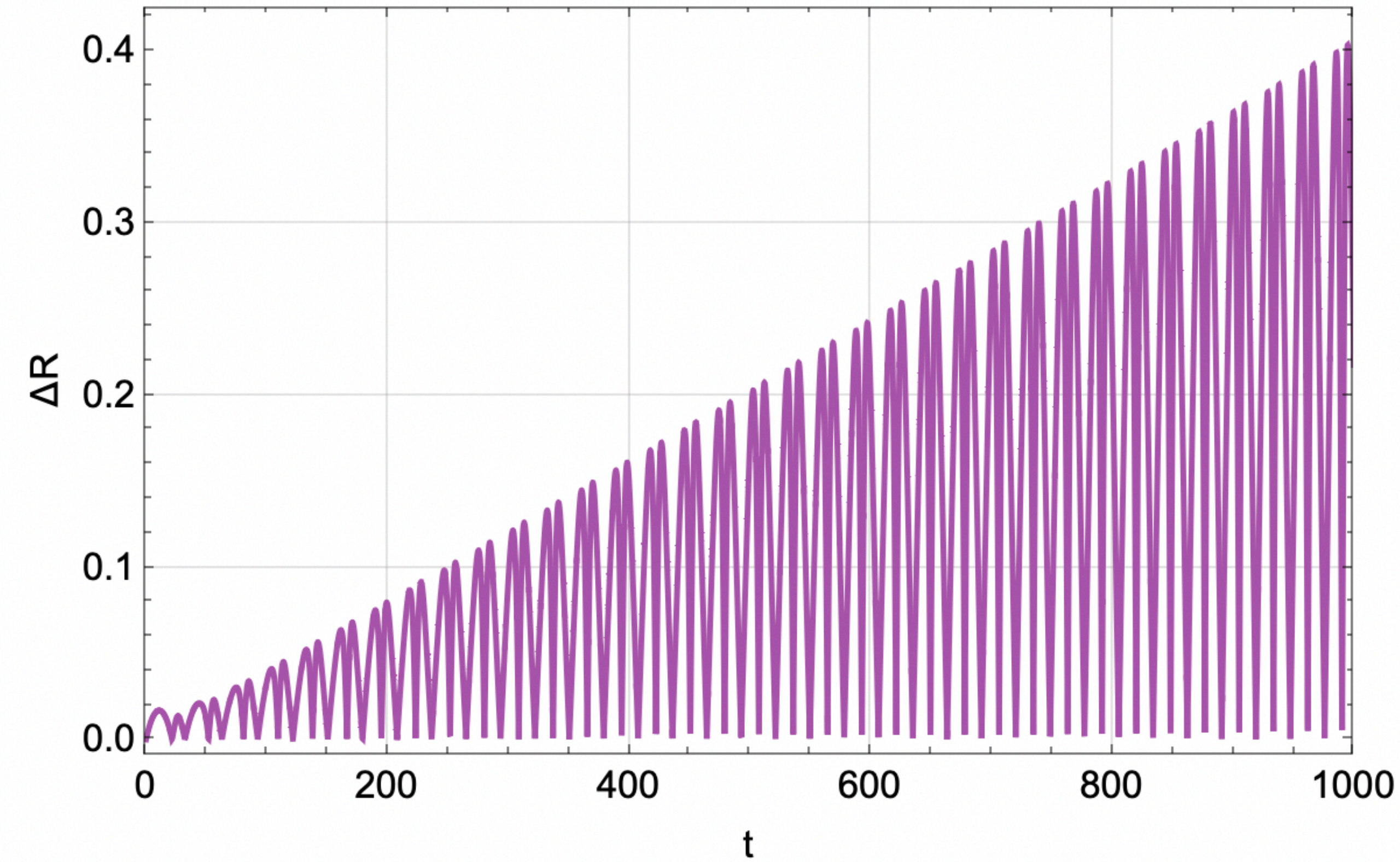


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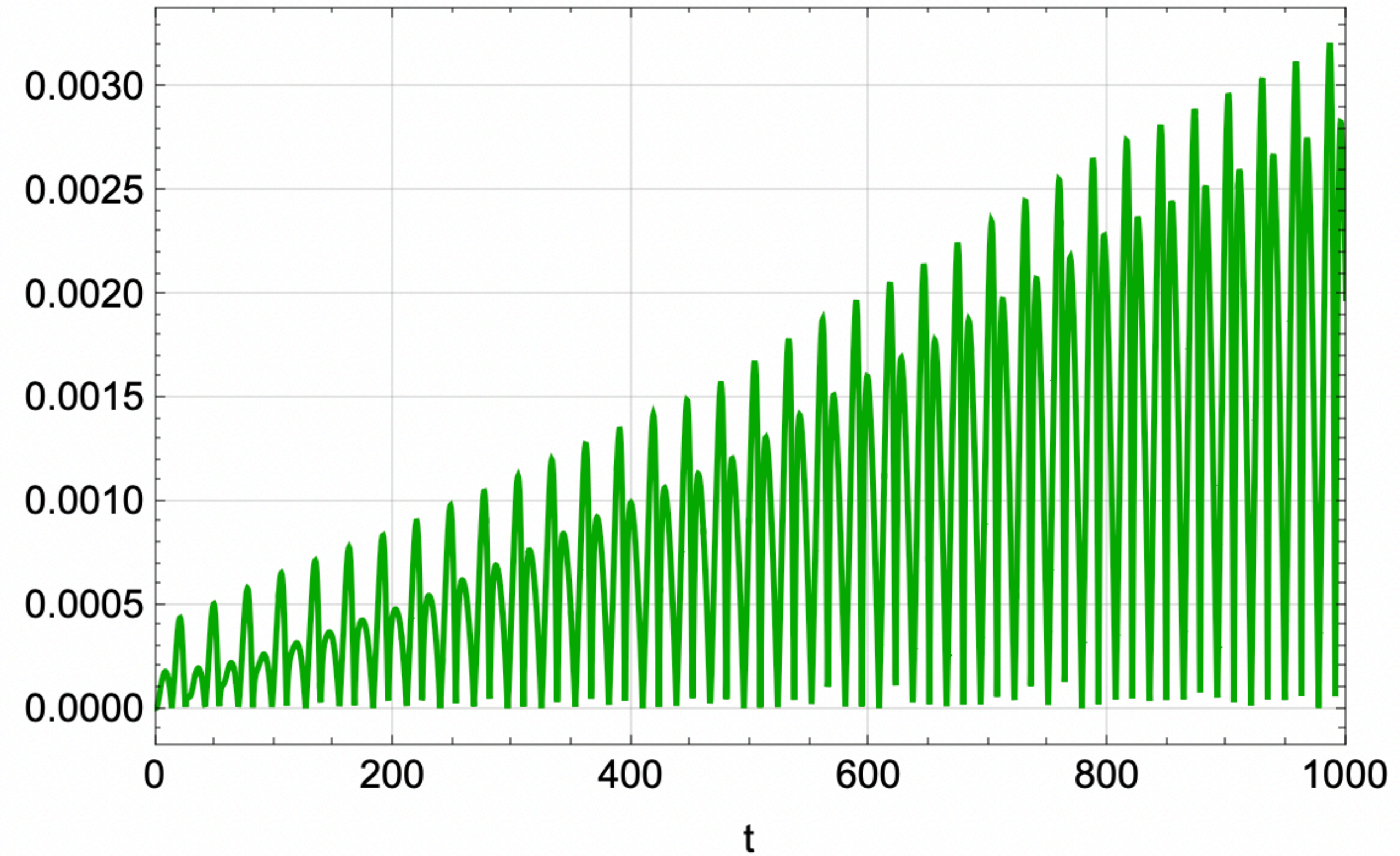


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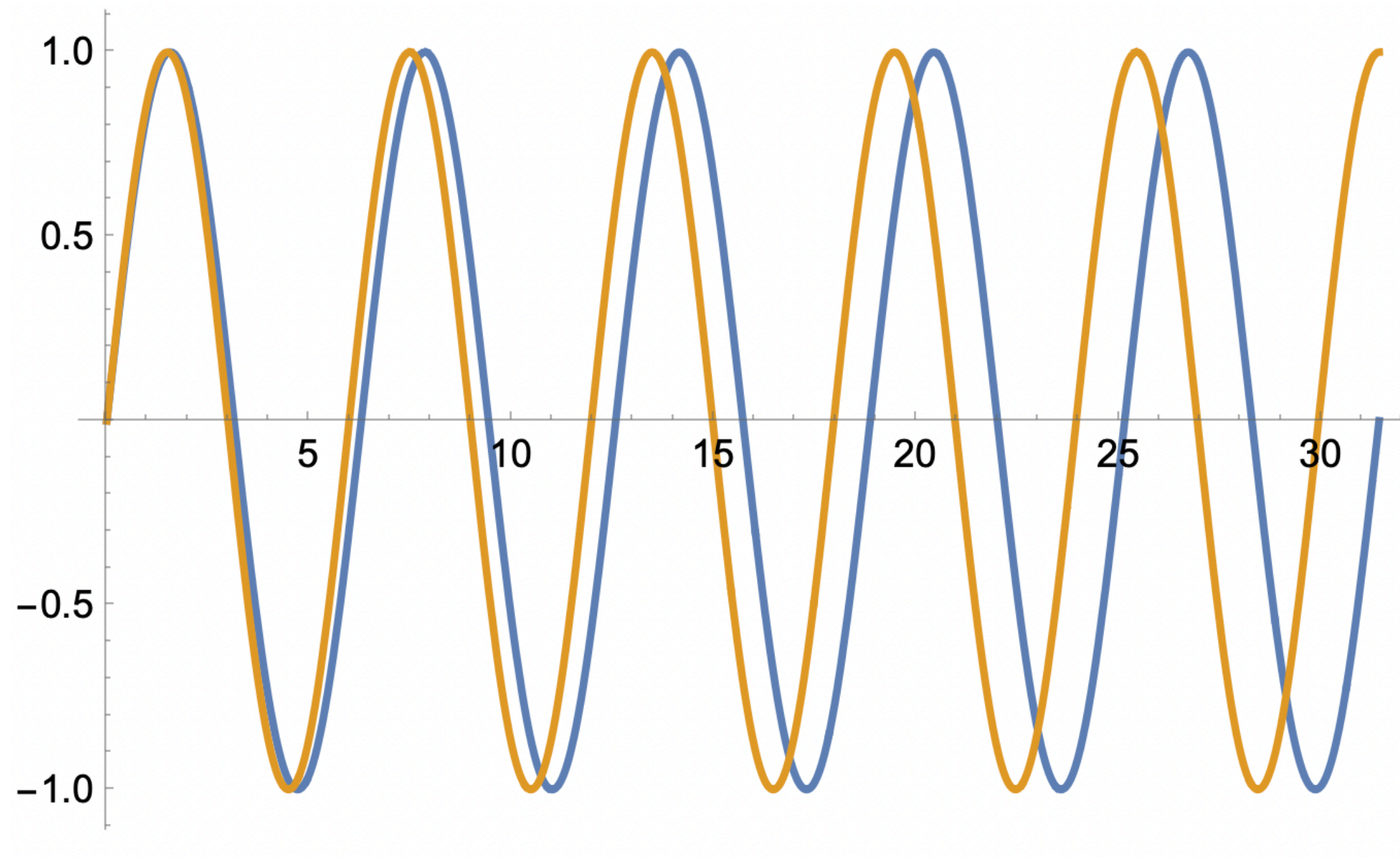
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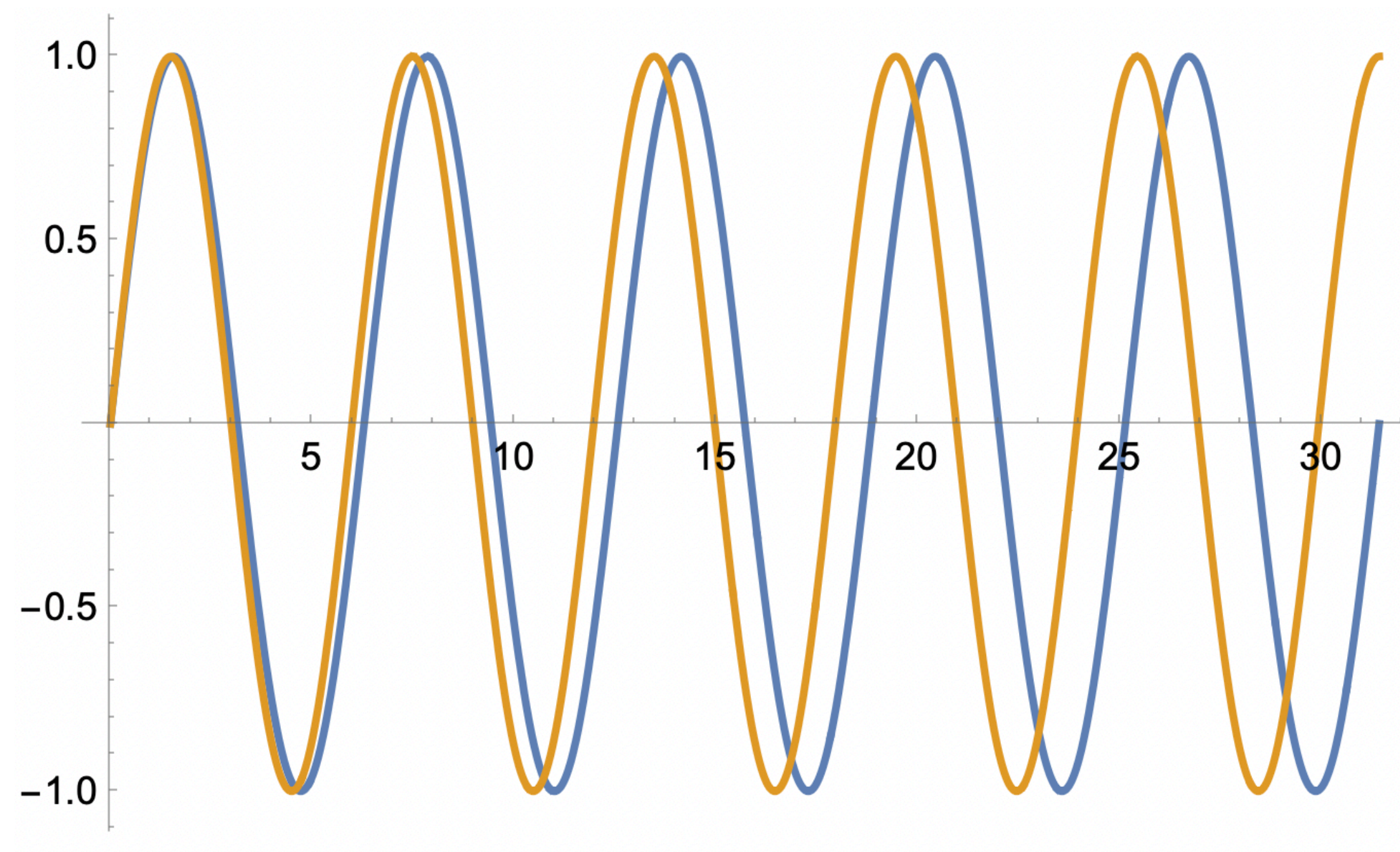
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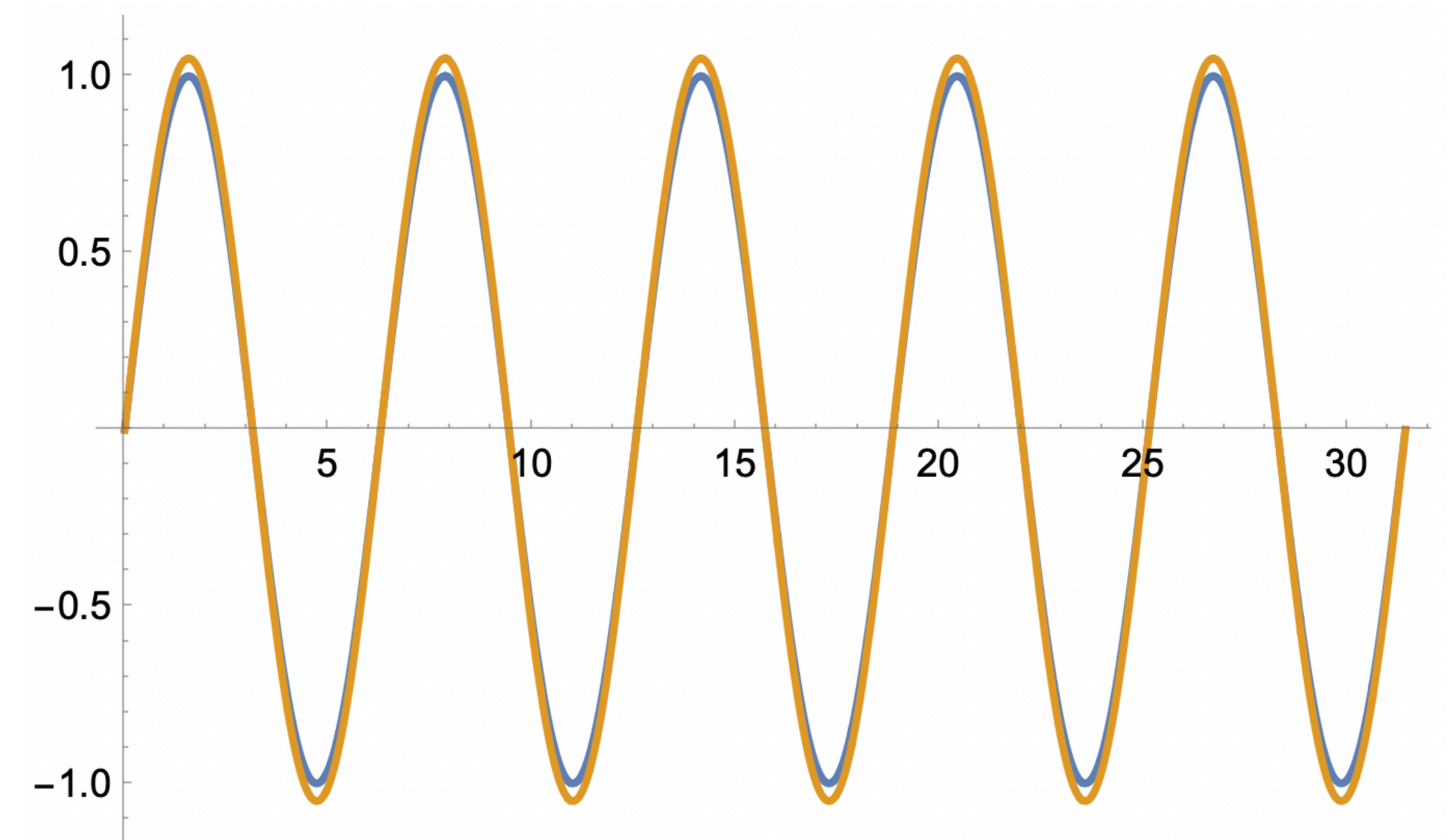
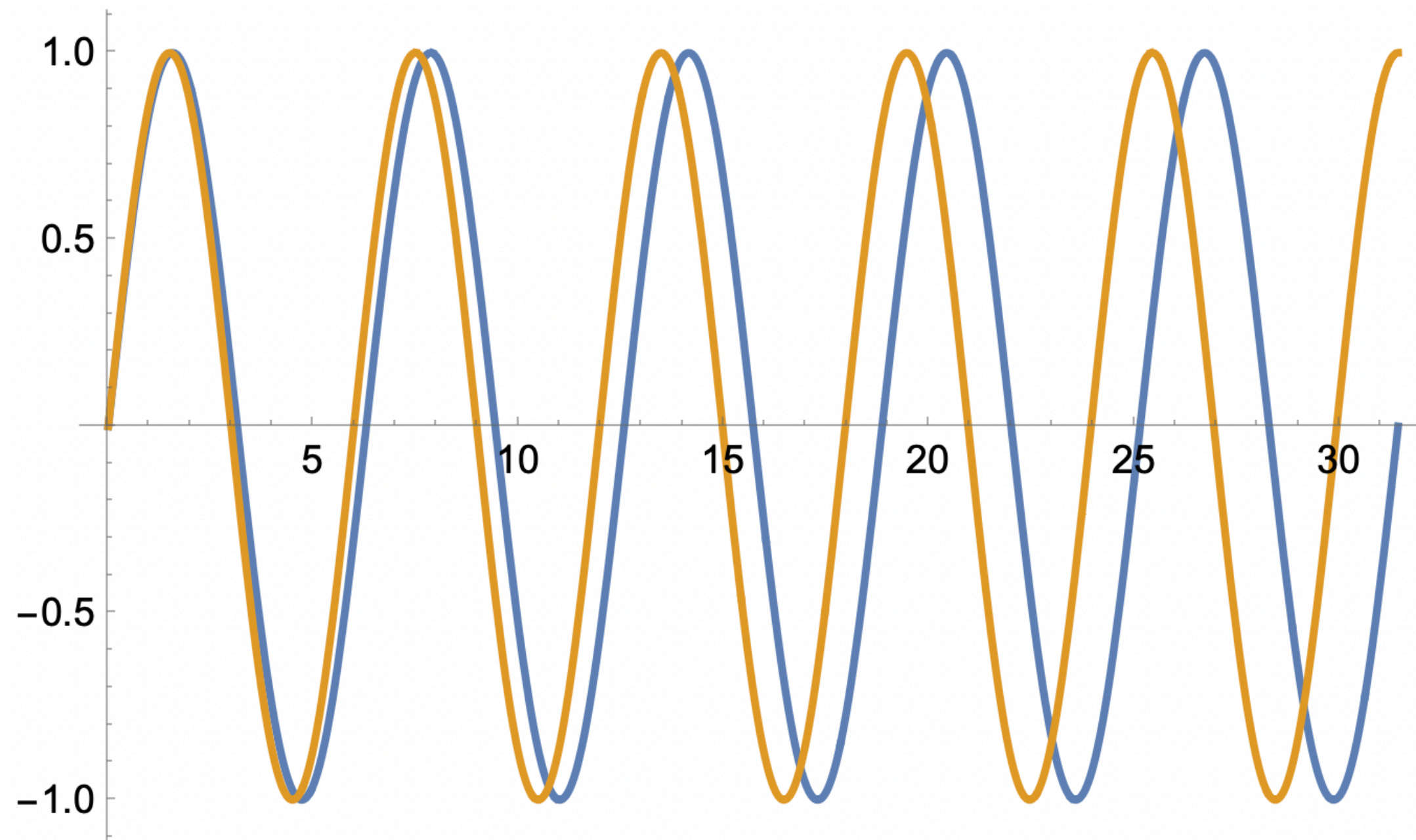
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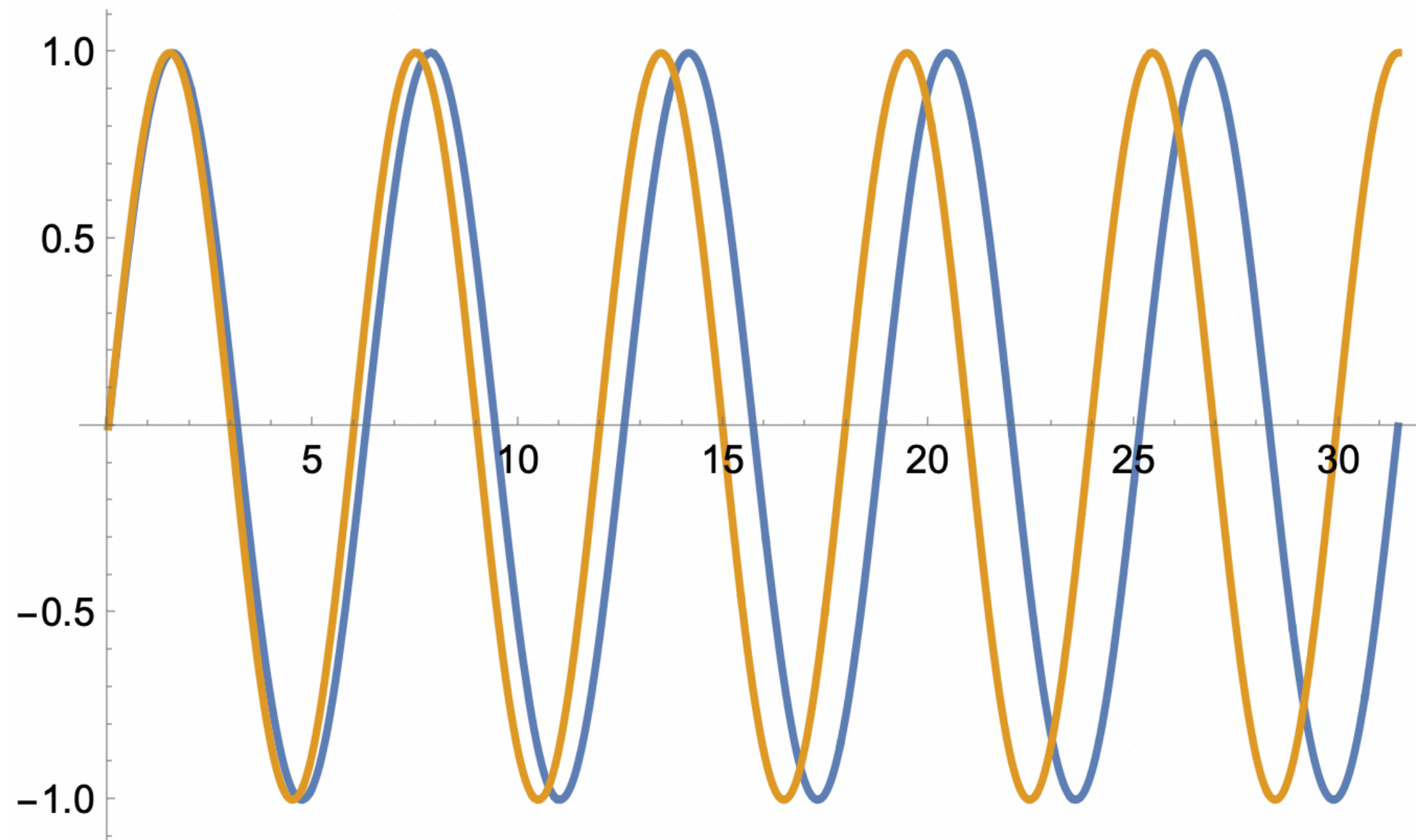
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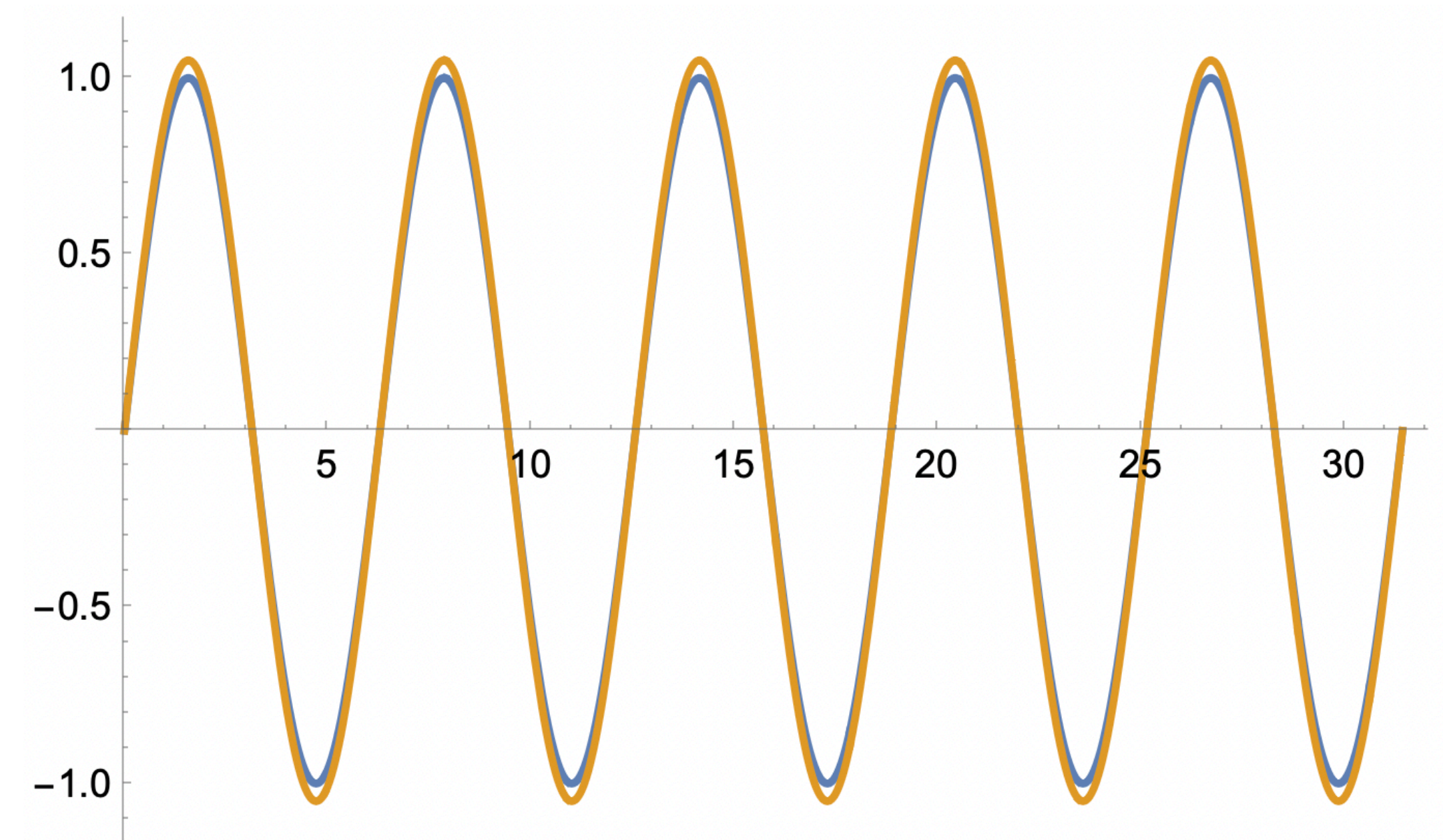
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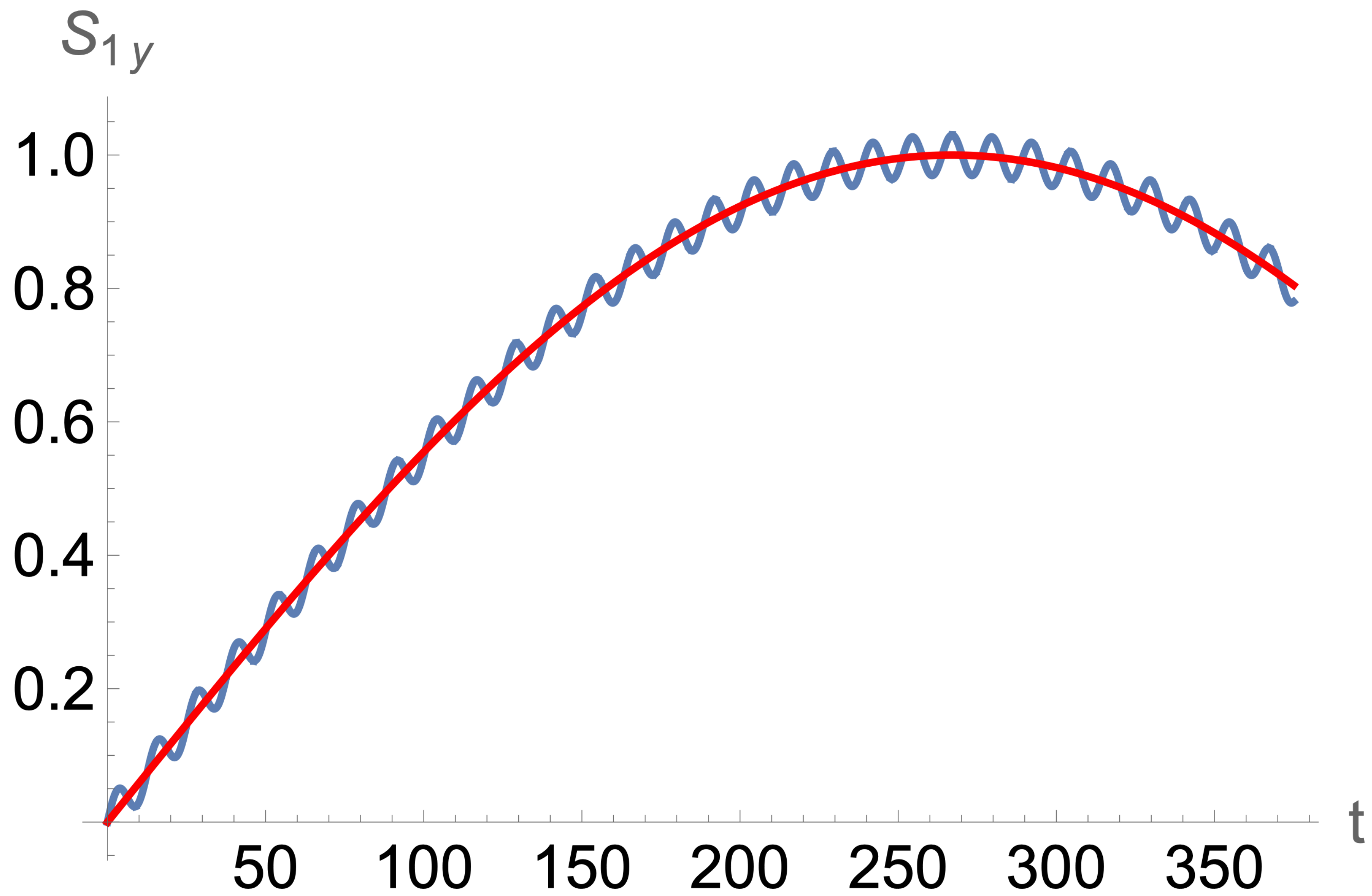


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