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# Size scaling of self-gravitating polymers and strings

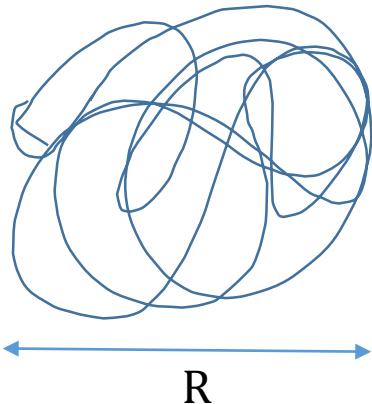
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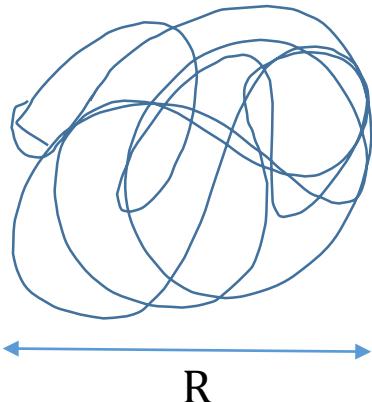
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Self-interaction

**String/black hole correspondence**



Small black hole

$$S_{\text{string}} \cong S_{\text{BH}}$$

[Susskind, Horowitz-Polchinski]

$$R \cong \frac{\ell_s}{g_s^2 \sqrt{\tilde{N}}} \quad (d = 3)$$

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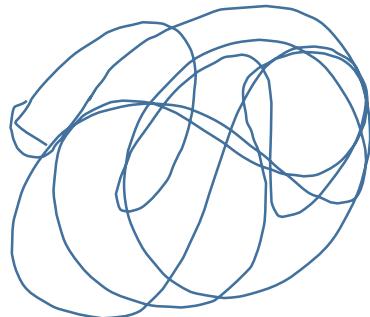
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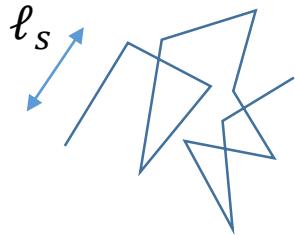
Interactions  
(solvent, van der Waals, ...)



$\Theta$ -point

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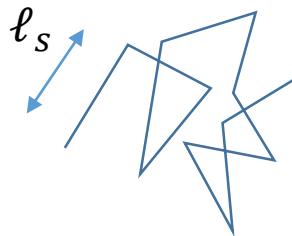
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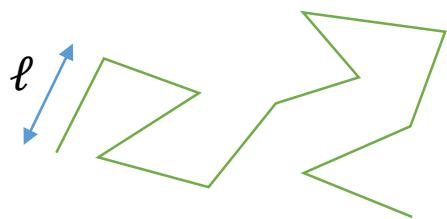
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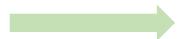


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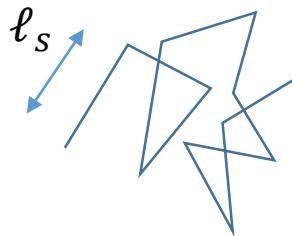


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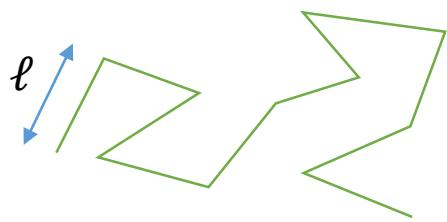
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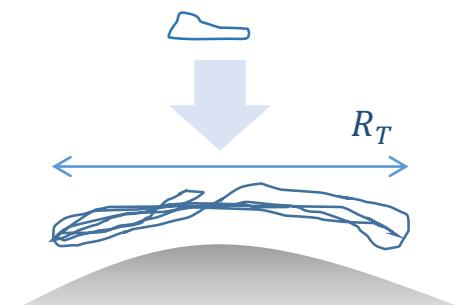


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**Note:** Repulsive property may emerge in high-density regime nonperturbatively.



[Susskind-Lindesay, Ropotenko]

$$L \propto e^t$$

$$R_T \propto t \quad \longrightarrow \quad R_T \propto e^t$$

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[Edwards-Muthukumar, Doi-Edwards]

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[Horowitz-Polchinski, Khuri]

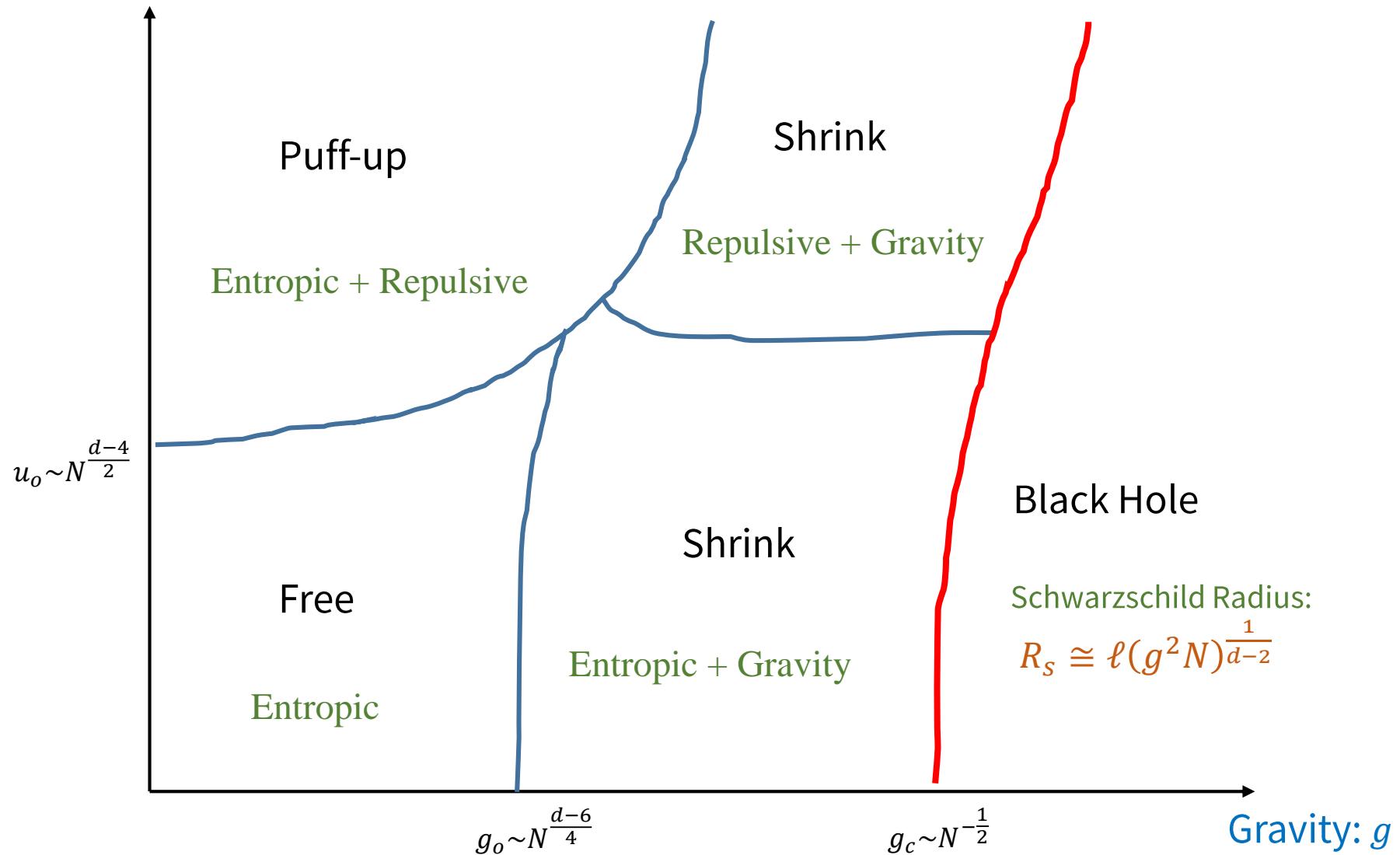
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( $d = 4$  is critical dim.)

# Today's Goal

Repulsive force:  $u$



# PLAN

- Introduction
- Two Approximation Methods  
and Size Evaluation [Doi-Edwards]
- Summary of Size Scaling
- Conclusion

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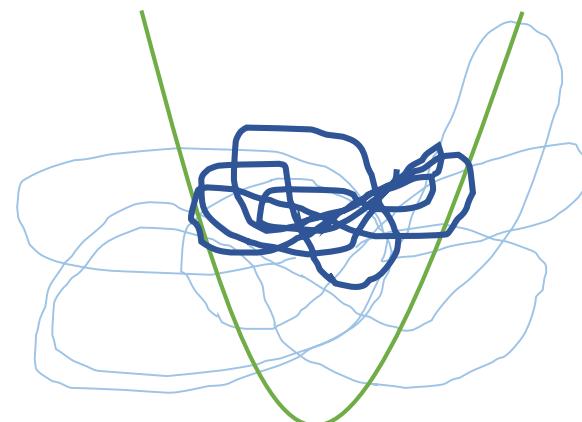
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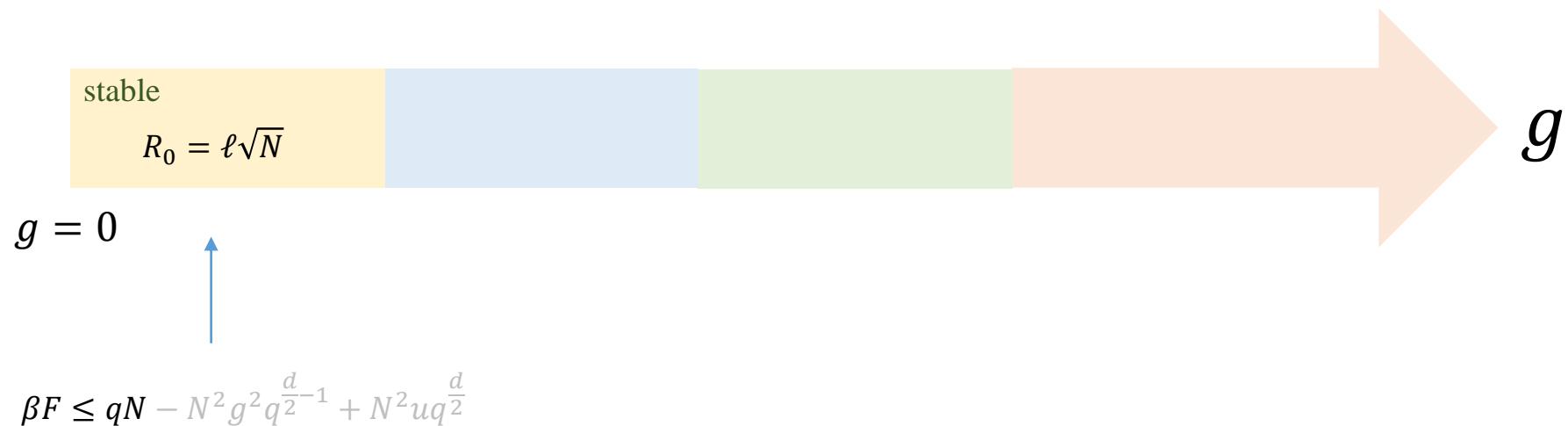
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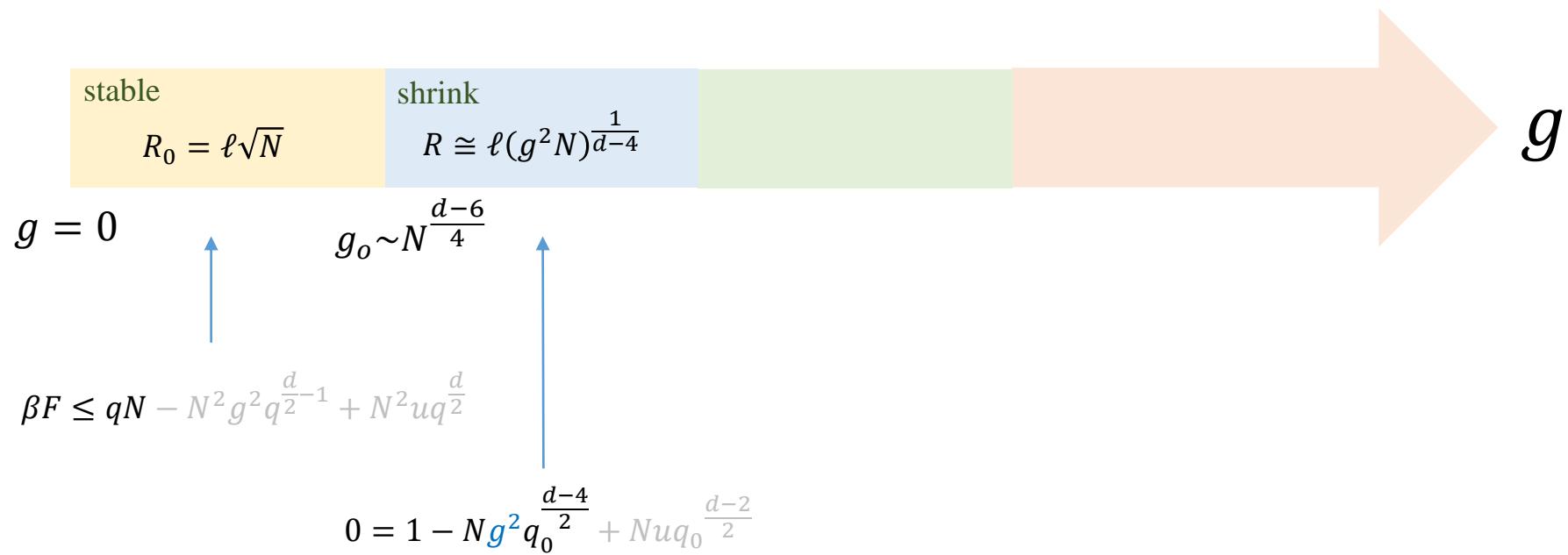
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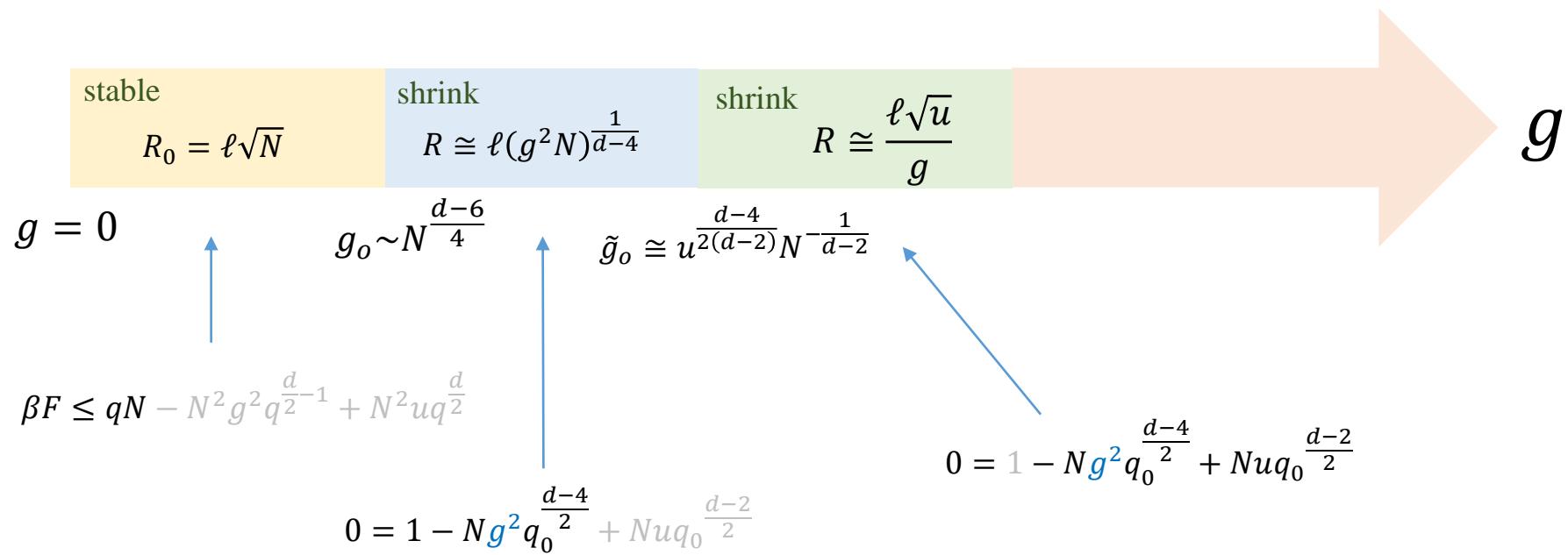
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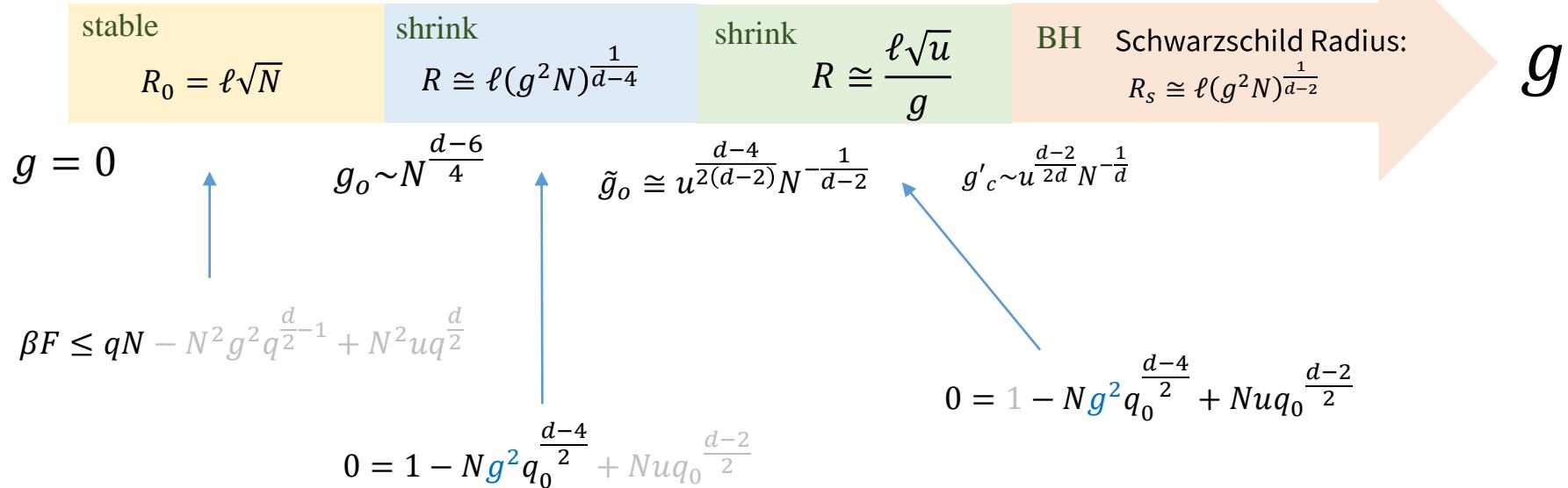
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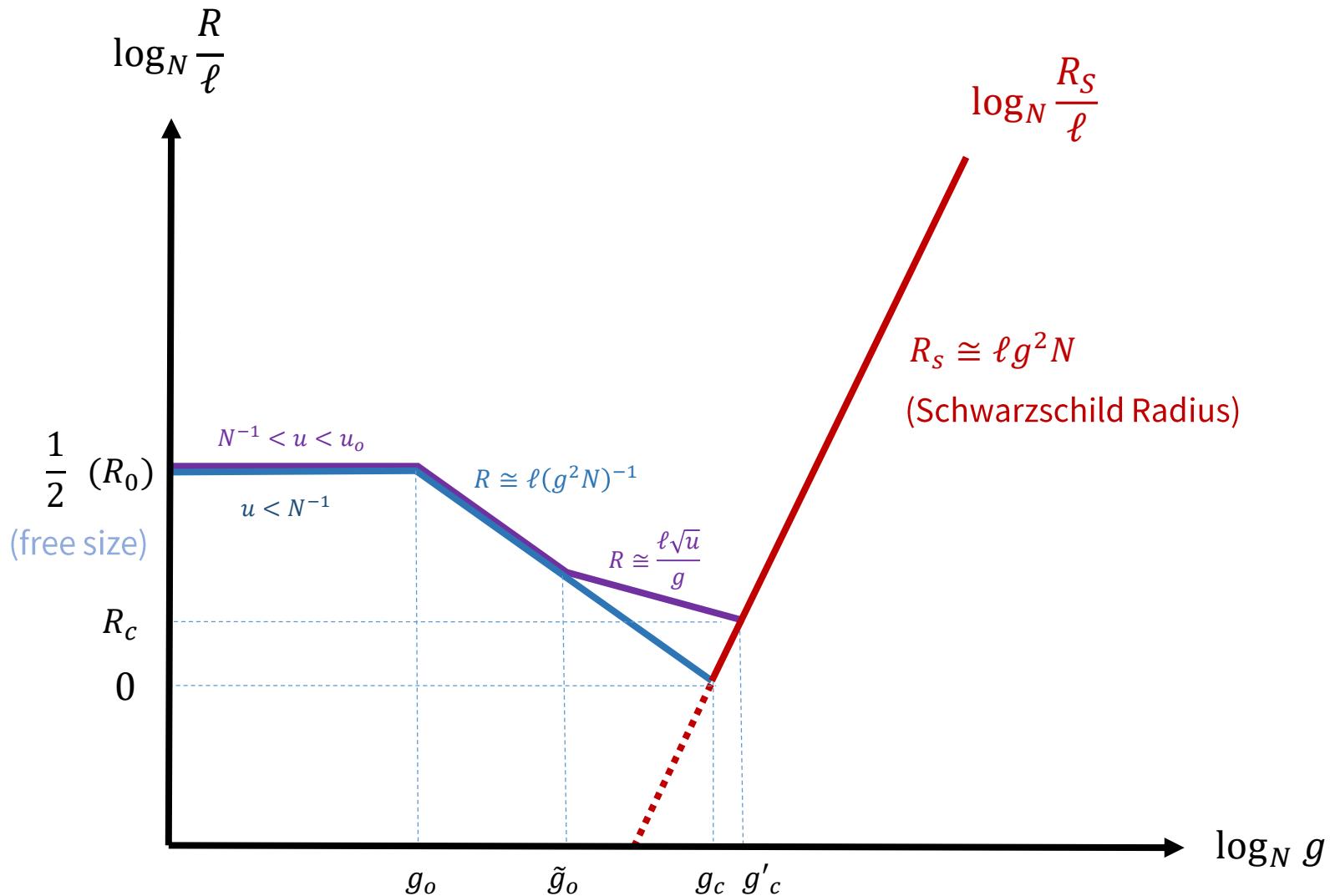
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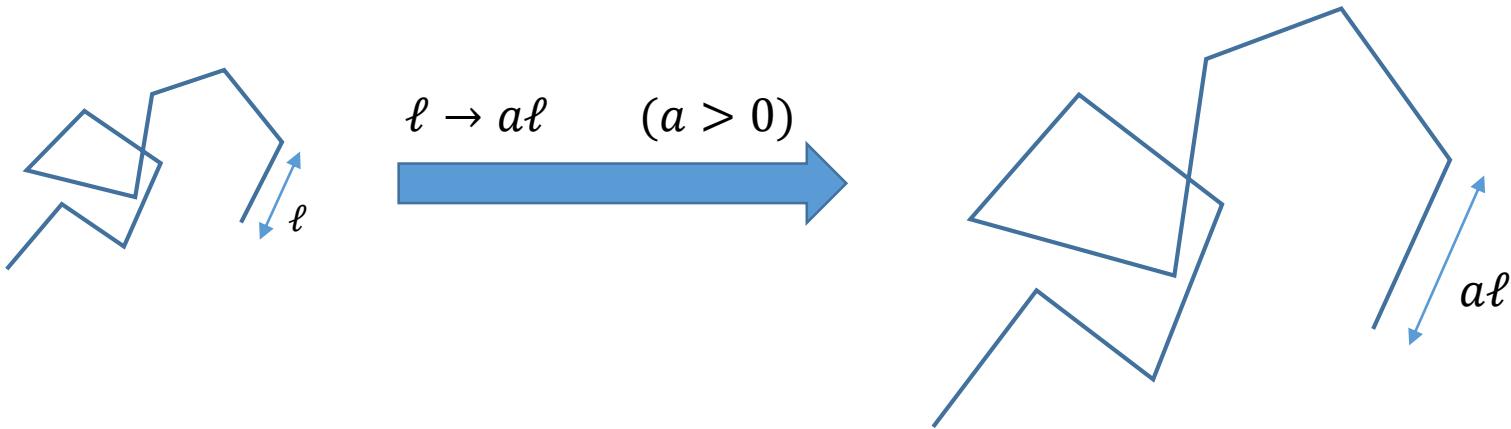


Cf. [Horowitz-Polchinski, Khuri]

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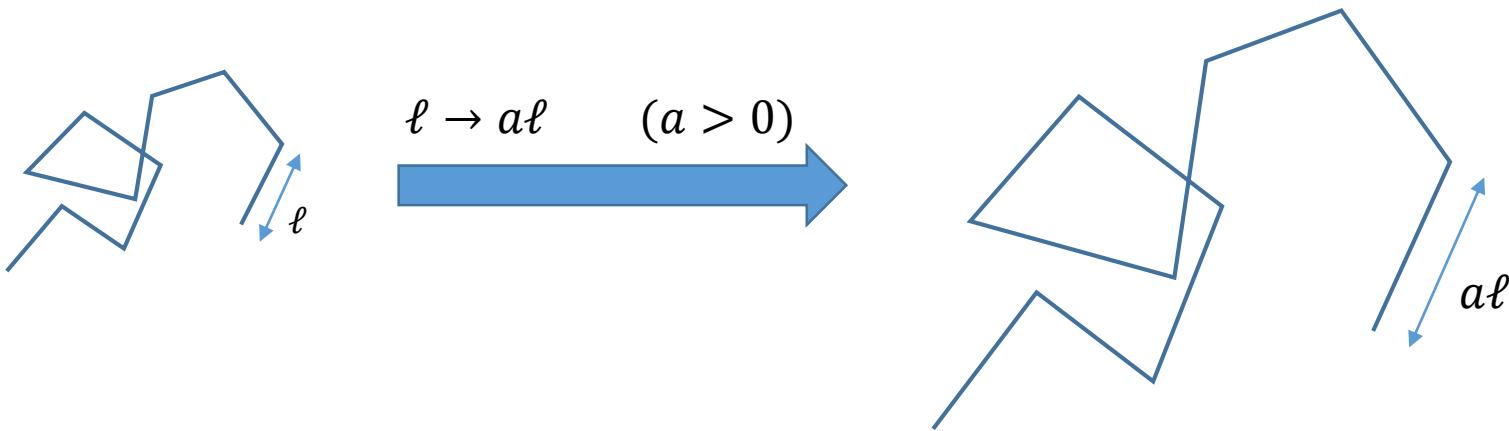


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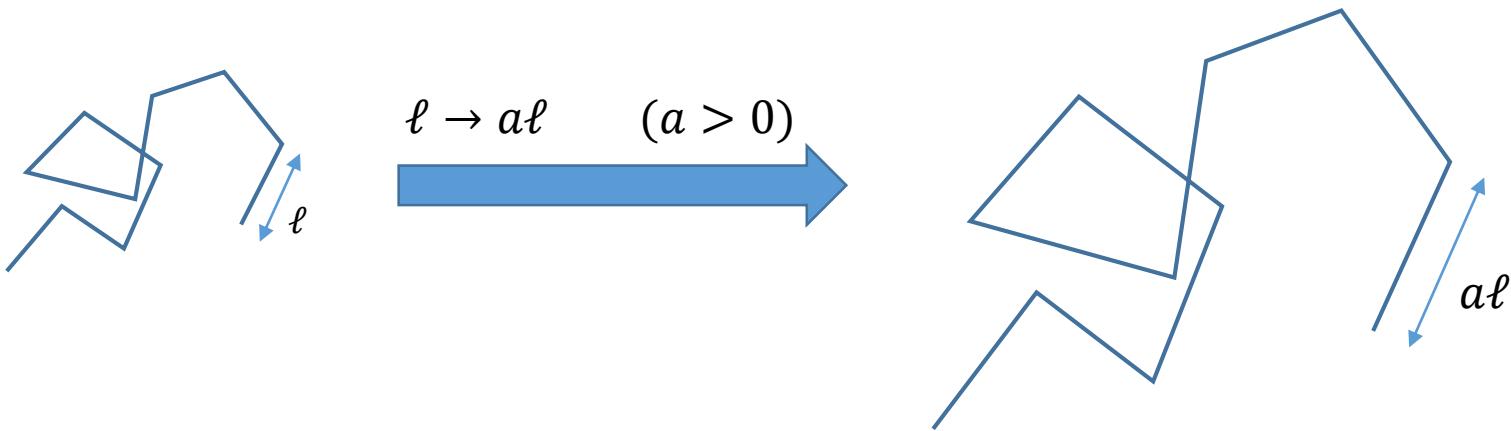


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Evaluate the mean-size-squared:

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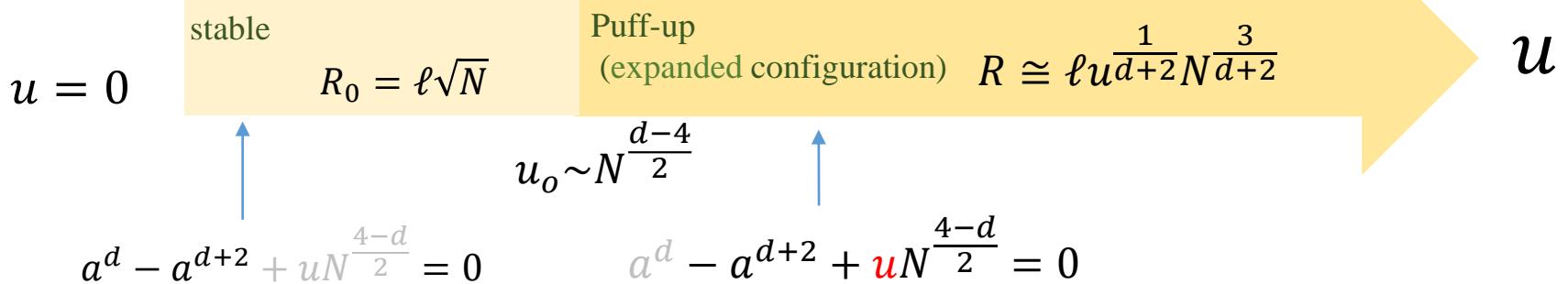
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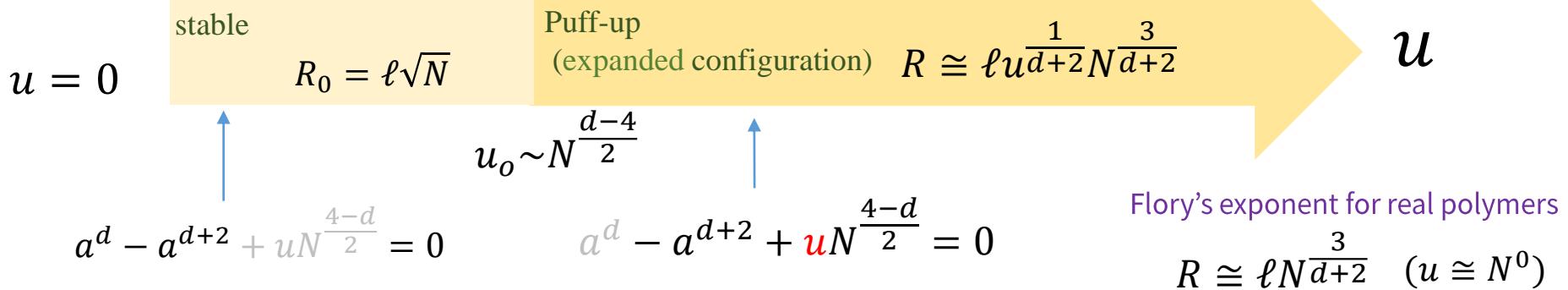
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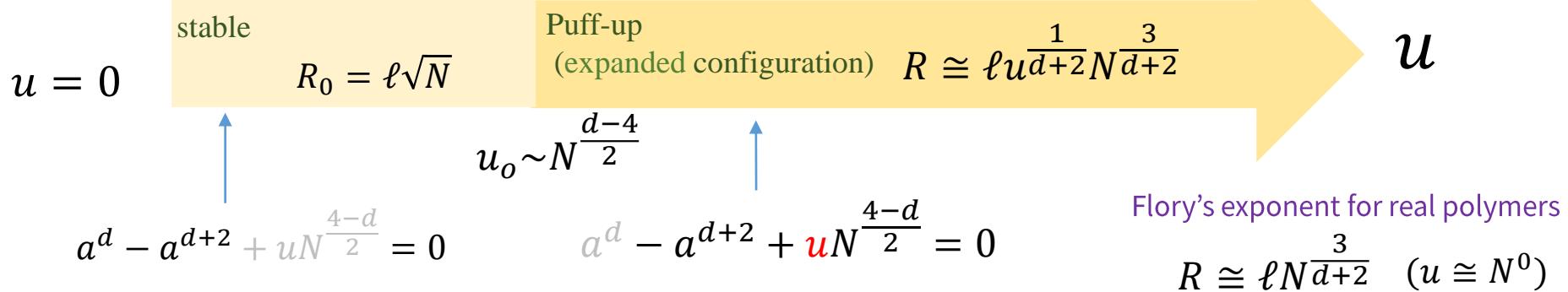
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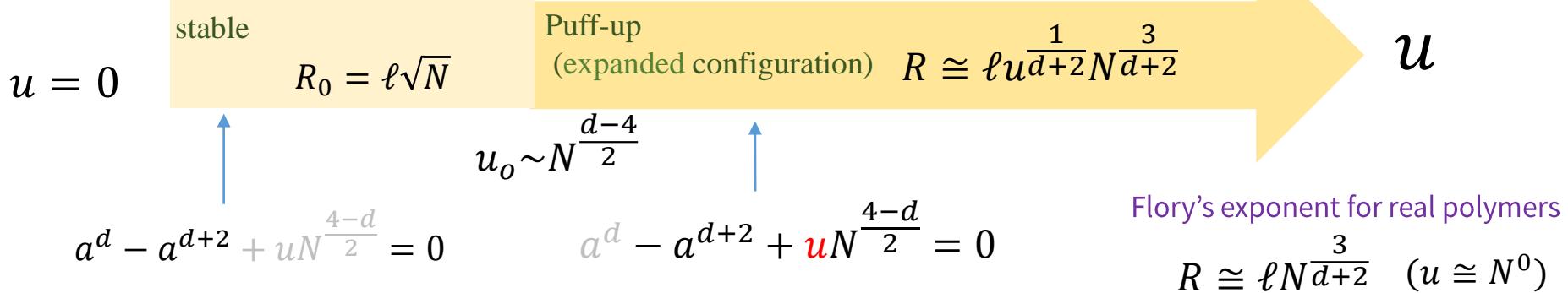
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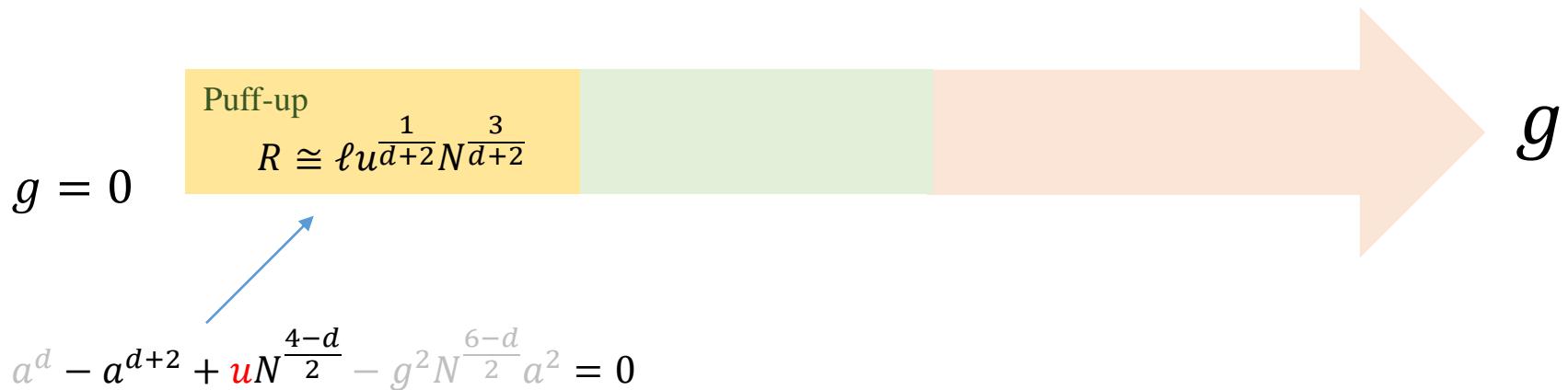
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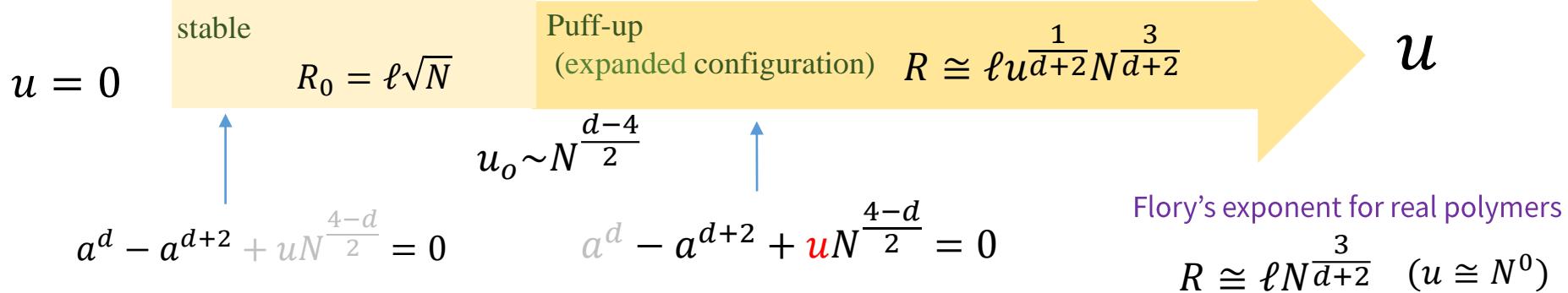
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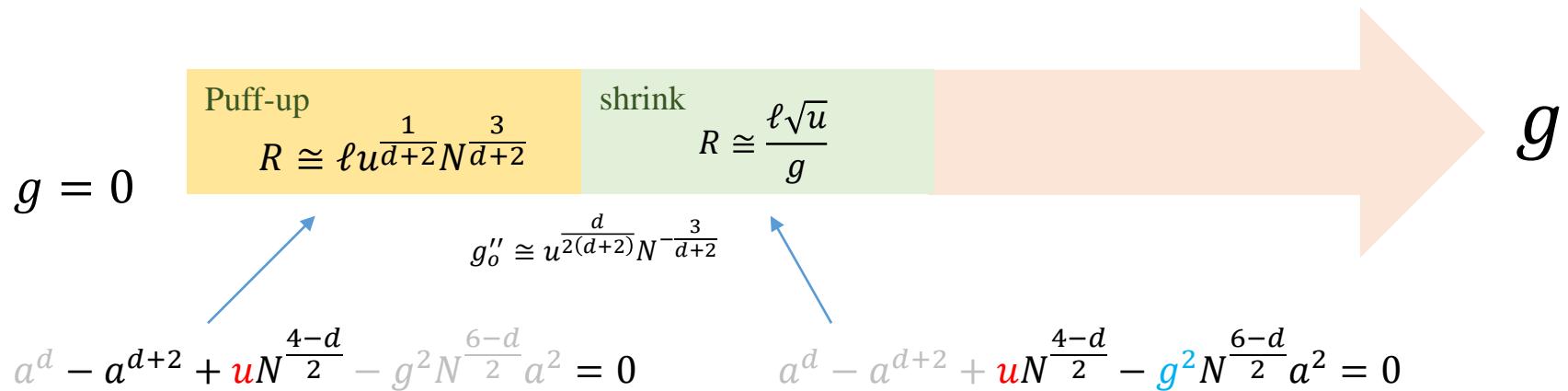
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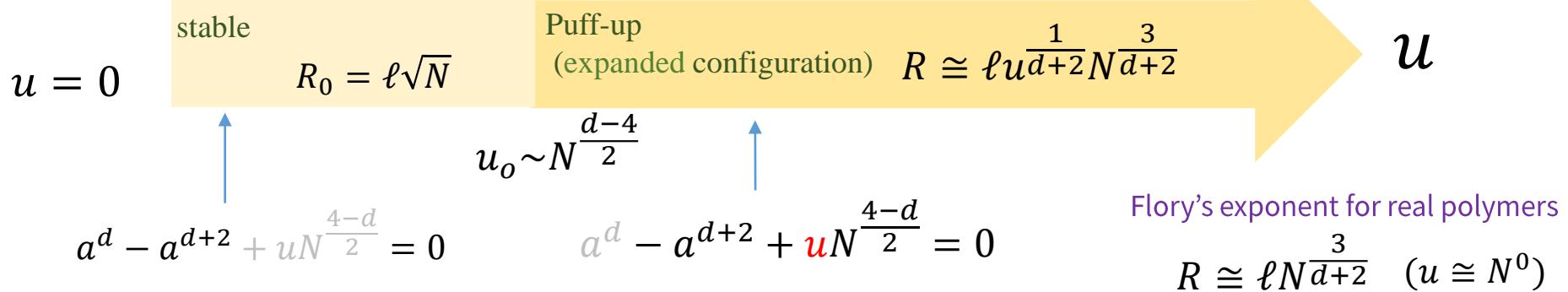
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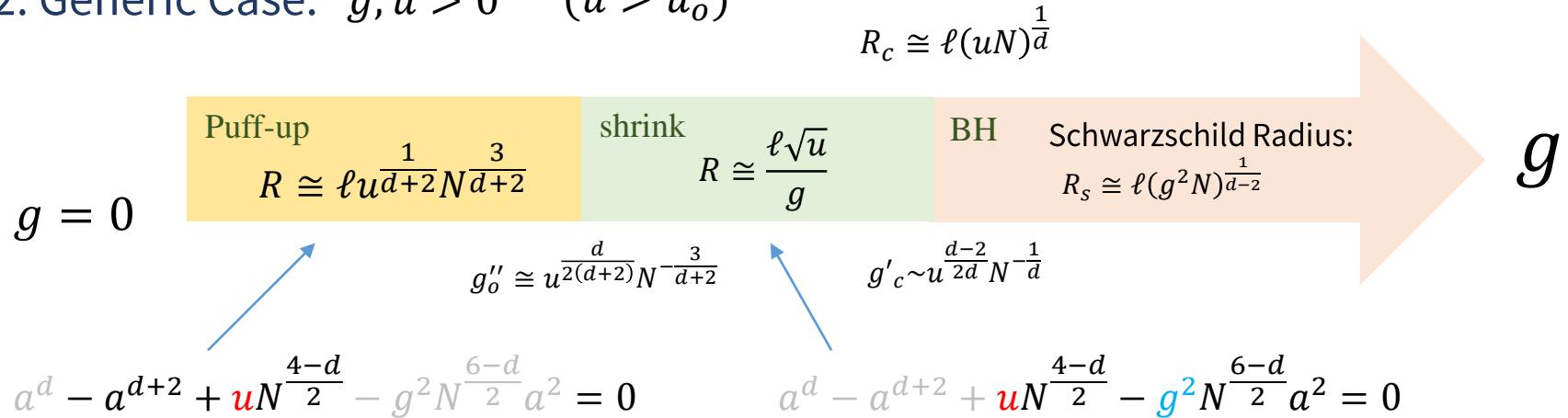
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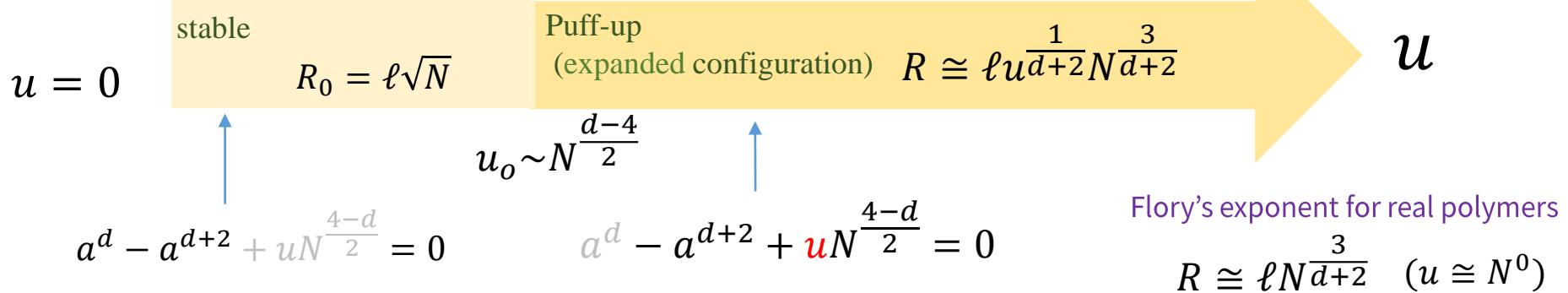
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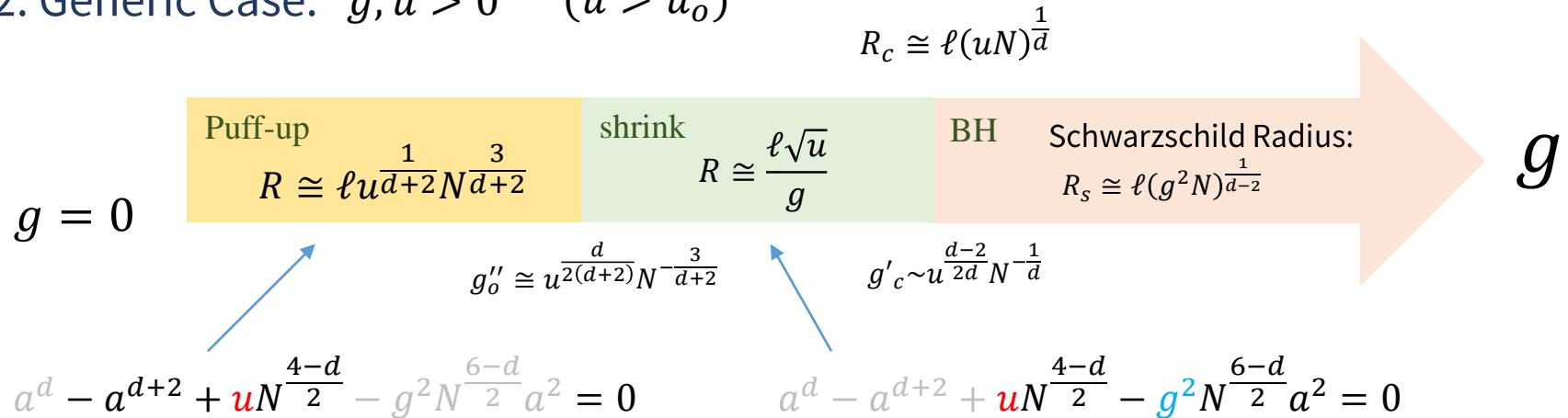
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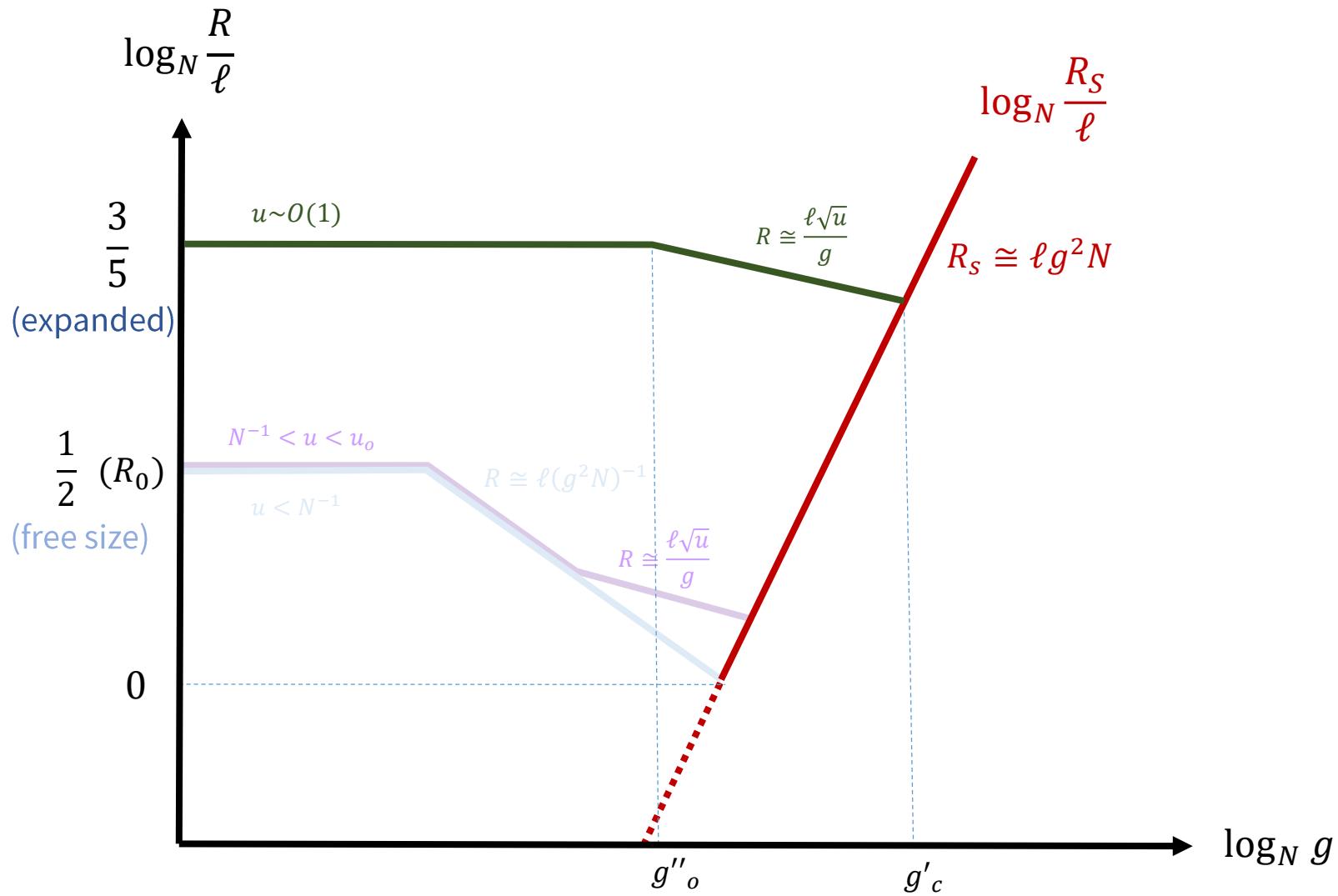


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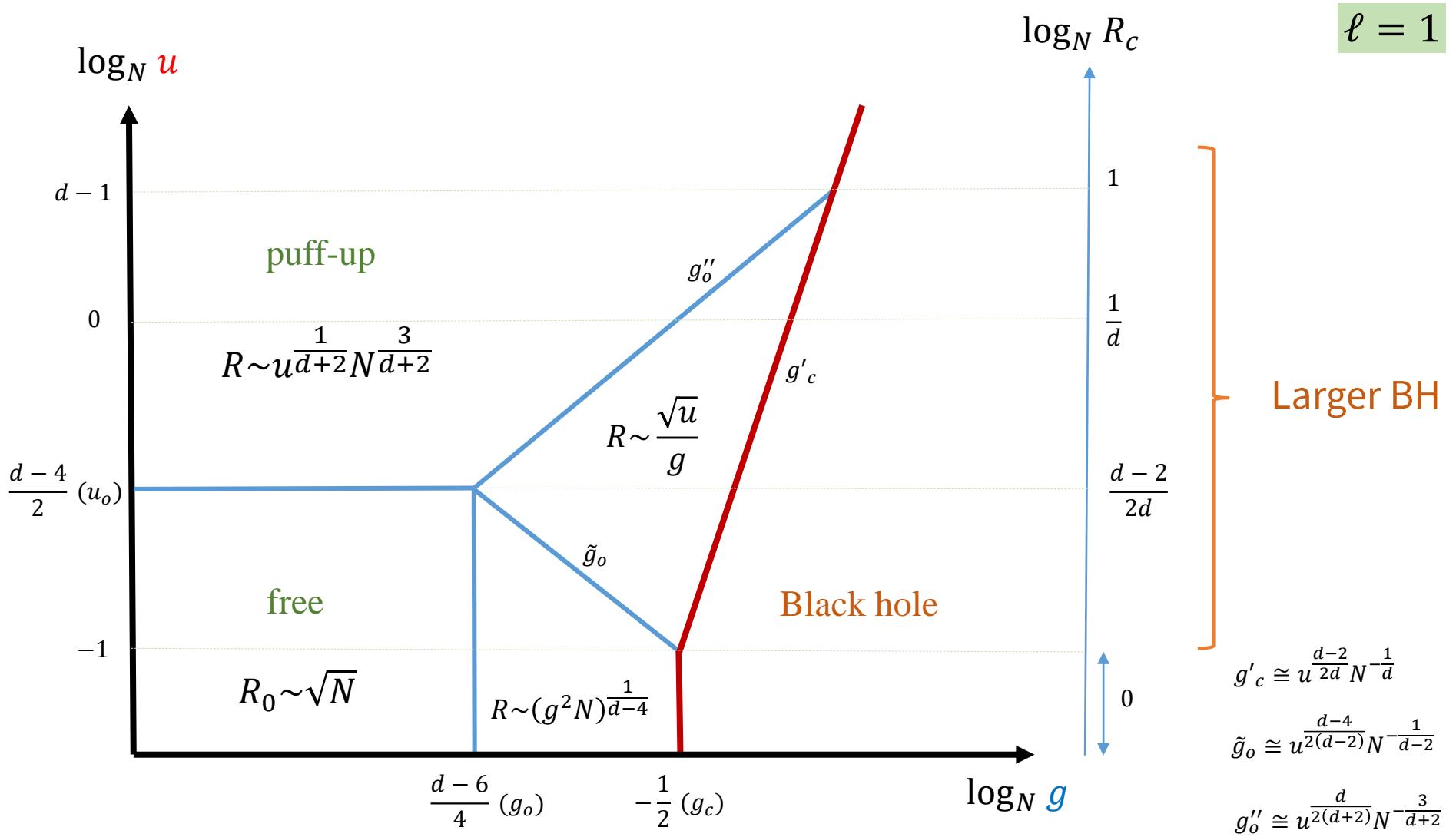


(Note: if  $u < u_o$ , no solution for small  $g$ )

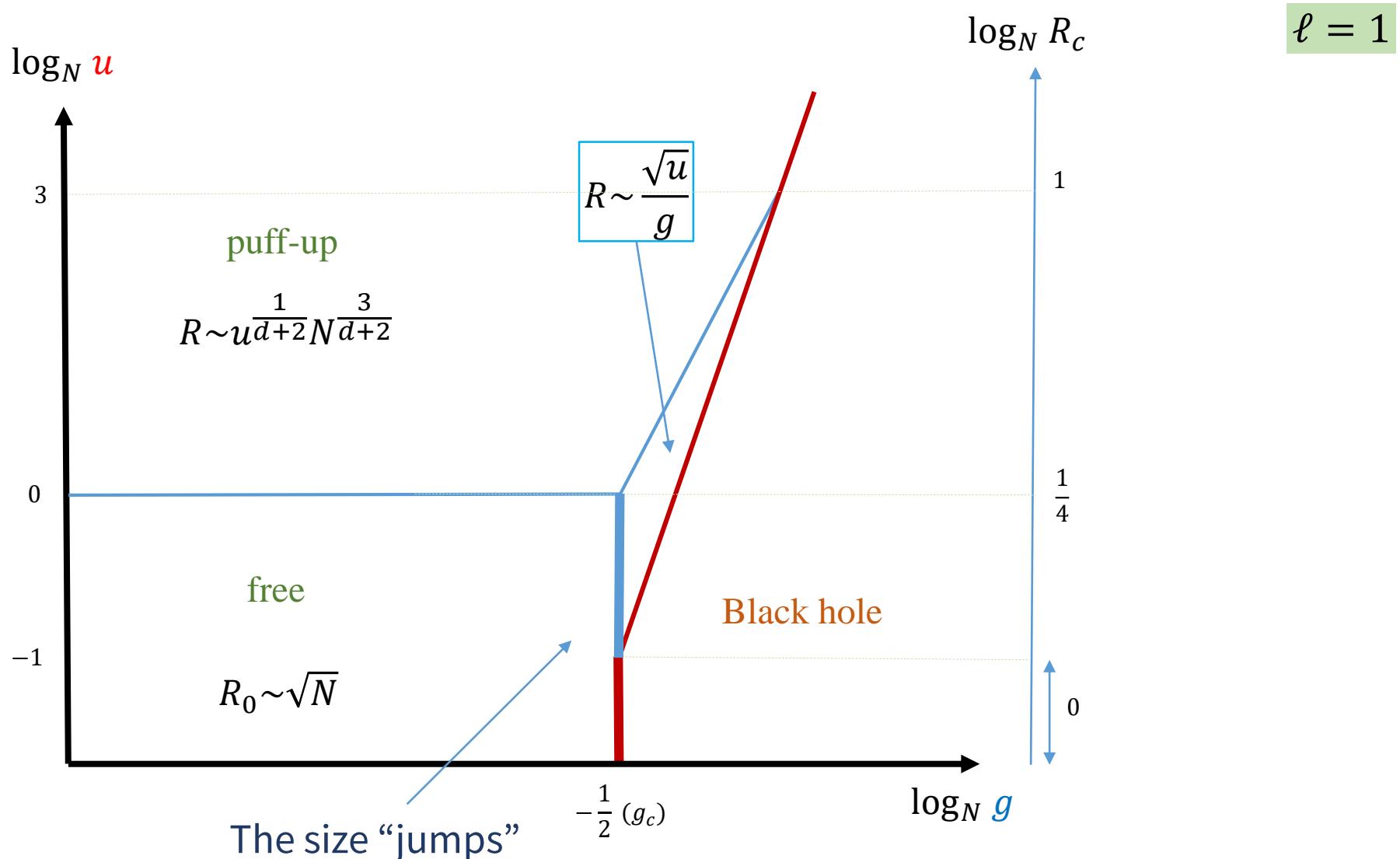
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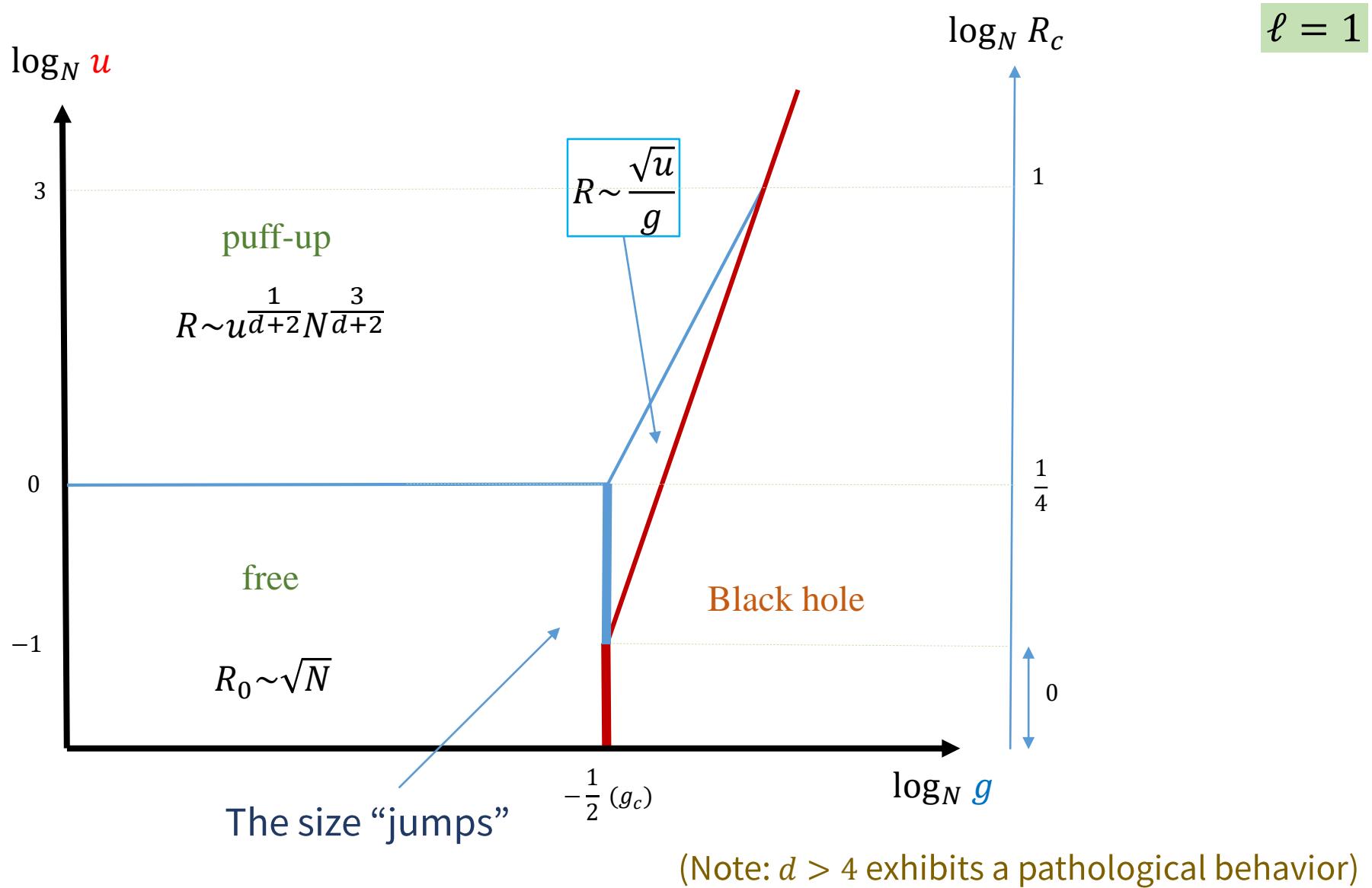
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# Summary

- Self-gravitating polymers (self-avoiding walks)  
→ Collapse to a **larger size** black hole
- Interesting size scaling behaviors are observed.

## Next:

- Density distribution, elasticity (pressure), detailed gravitational collapse  
(Need GR ? -- Tolman-Oppenheimer-Volkoff eq.)
- Possible source of self-avoiding property  
Fermionic walk? Higher form field exchange?
- Beyond a mean field calculation. RG analysis
- Entropy? Corresponding point?

# Variational Method (details)

Harmonic Hamiltonian:  $\beta H_0 = \frac{d}{2\ell^2} \int_0^N d\sigma \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial \sigma} \right)^2 + \frac{q^2 d}{2\ell^2} \int_0^N d\sigma \mathbf{R}(\sigma)^2$

Convexity:  $e^{-\beta F} = \int d\mathbf{R} e^{-\beta H} = \int d\mathbf{R} e^{-\beta H_0} e^{-\beta(H-H_0)} \geq e^{\langle -\beta(H-H_0) \rangle_0} e^{-\beta F_0}$

$$\beta F \leq \beta F_0(q) + \langle \beta(H - H_0) \rangle_0 \quad \text{Tune } q \text{ to minimize RHS}$$

Propagator:

$$G_0(\sigma, \sigma') = \left( \frac{qd}{2\pi\ell^2 \sinh q|\sigma - \sigma'|} \right)^{\frac{d}{2}} \exp \left( -\frac{qd [\mathbf{R}(\sigma)^2 + \mathbf{R}(\sigma')^2] \cosh q|\sigma - \sigma'| - 2\mathbf{R}(\sigma) \cdot \mathbf{R}(\sigma')}{2\ell^2 \sinh q|\sigma - \sigma'|} \right)$$

Evaluate  $\beta F_0 = -\log Z_0$  and  $\langle \beta(H - H_0) \rangle_0 = \left\langle \int_0^N d\sigma \int_0^N d\sigma' V - \frac{q^2 d}{2\ell^2} \int_0^N d\sigma \mathbf{R}(\sigma)^2 \right\rangle$

$$\beta F \leq \frac{d}{2} \ln(\cosh qN) - \frac{qdN}{4} \tanh qN$$

$$-2 \int_0^N d\sigma' \int_0^{\sigma'} d\sigma \left[ \frac{\textcolor{blue}{g^2}}{\Gamma\left(\frac{d}{2}\right)} \left( \frac{qd}{2F_1(\sigma, \sigma'; q)} \right)^{\frac{d-2}{2}} - \textcolor{red}{u} \left( \frac{qd}{2F_2(\sigma, \sigma'; q)} \right)^{\frac{d}{2}} \right]$$

$$F_1(\sigma, \sigma'; q) = \frac{\sinh q\sigma \cosh q(N-\sigma) + \sinh q\sigma' \cosh q(N-\sigma') - 2 \sinh q\sigma \cosh q(N-\sigma')}{\cosh qN}$$

$$F_2(\sigma, \sigma'; q) = \frac{\sinh q\sigma \sinh q(\sigma' - \sigma)}{\sinh q\sigma'} + \frac{\cosh q(N-\sigma') \sinh q\sigma'}{\cosh qN} \left( 1 - \frac{\sinh q\sigma}{\sinh q\sigma'} \right)^2$$

Simplification (an approximation):

$$\frac{e^{-qN} \quad e^{-q(N-\sigma')} \quad e^{-q(N-\sigma)}}{e^{-q\sigma} \quad e^{-q\sigma'} \quad e^{-q(\sigma'-\sigma)}} \ll 1$$

Bound:

$$\beta F \leq qN - N^2 g^2 q^{\frac{d}{2}-1} + N^2 u q^{\frac{d}{2}}$$

Stationary Cond.:

$$0 = 1 - N g^2 q_0^{\frac{d-4}{2}} + N u q_0^{\frac{d-2}{2}}$$

Omit (positive N-independent) numerical factors

$$\langle R^2 \rangle_0 = \frac{\ell^2}{q_0} \tanh q_0 N \left\{ \begin{array}{lll} \ell^2 N & (q_0 N \ll 1) & \text{(Free walk size)} \\ \frac{\ell^2}{q_0} & (q_0 N \geq O(1)) & \text{(shrink)} \end{array} \right.$$

# Uniform Expansion Model (details)

Free (Gaussian) Hamiltonian with the bond length  $a\ell$

$$\beta H' = \frac{d}{2a^2\ell^2} \int_0^N d\sigma \left( \frac{\partial \mathbf{R}}{\partial \sigma} \right)^2$$

Propagator:  $G'(\sigma, \sigma') = \left( \frac{d}{2\pi a^2 \ell^2 |\sigma - \sigma'|} \right)^{\frac{d}{2}} \exp \left( - \frac{d}{2a^2 \ell^2 |\sigma - \sigma'|} (\mathbf{R}(\sigma) - \mathbf{R}(\sigma'))^2 \right)$

Calculate the mean-size-squared:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{R}^2 \rangle &= \frac{\int (\mathbf{R}(N) - \mathbf{R}(0))^2 e^{-\beta H}}{\int e^{-\beta H}} = \frac{\left\langle e^{-\beta(H-H')} (\mathbf{R}(N) - \mathbf{R}(0))^2 \right\rangle'}{\left\langle e^{-\beta(H-H')} \right\rangle'} \\ &\cong \left\langle (\mathbf{R}(N) - \mathbf{R}(0))^2 \right\rangle' (1 + \langle \beta(H - H') \rangle') - \left\langle \beta(H - H') (\mathbf{R}(N) - \mathbf{R}(0))^2 \right\rangle' + O([\beta(H - H')]^2) \\ &\cong \underline{Na^2 \ell^2 + \left[ a^d (1 - a^2) + \mathcal{C}_1 \textcolor{red}{u} N^{\frac{4-d}{2}} - \mathcal{C}_2 \textcolor{blue}{g}^2 N^{\frac{6-d}{2}} a^2 \right] N \ell^2 a^{2-d}} \\ \text{Required Size} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\mathcal{C}_1, \mathcal{C}_2$ : Positive  $N$  independent constants