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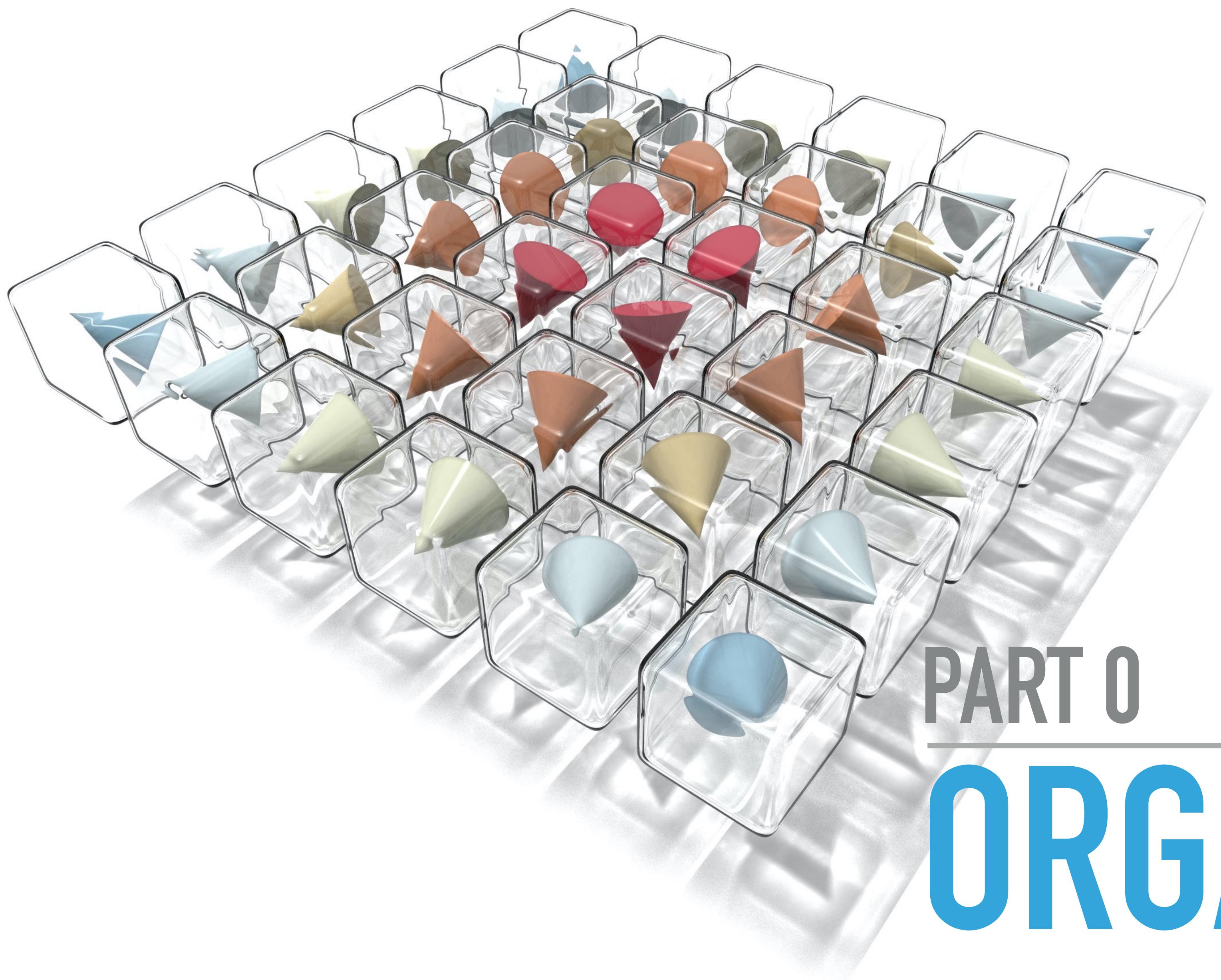
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# MICROMAGNETICS WITH UBERMAG

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PART 0

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# ORGANISATION

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- ▶ We acknowledge the **IEEE Magnetics Society** support.



- ▶ We thank **Xin Fan** and **Kirill Belashchenko** for organising the workshop.

## PEOPLE

- ▶ Instructor:
  - ▶ **Marijan Beg** (@marijanbeg)
- ▶ Moderators:
  - ▶ **Ryan A. Pepper** (@rpep)
  - ▶ **Hans Fangohr** (@fangohr)

# QUESTIONS

- ▶ There are **two ways how** you can ask a question:
  1. **Raise an issue** in the workshop repository. (Please be aware that questions and answers can be seen by everybody.)
  2. During live sessions, please send your questions as a **private Zoom message** to:
    - ▶ **Ryan A. Pepper**
    - ▶ **Hans Fangohr**
- ▶ If you are on **Twitch**, send your questions there and we are going to find it.
- ▶ Due to the limited time and a large number of participants, **we are not going to be able to answer all questions.**
  - ▶ If you do not get an answer during the live session, please raise an issue in the workshop repository.

## SESSIONS

- ▶ The workshop is divided into **3 sessions**:
  1. Basics of micromagnetics, Jupyter, and Python
    - ▶ **Thursday 18 June 2020, 12:00-13:30 (ET)**
  2. Micromagnetic models and drivers
    - ▶ **Thursday 25 June 2020, 12:00-13:30 (ET)**
  3. Data analysis and visualisation
    - ▶ **Thursday 02 June 2020, 12:00-13:30 (ET)**
- ▶ For each session we only imply what the main focus is going to be.
  - ▶ In each session we are going to be covering all the topics, but at different levels.

### AIMS

- ▶ **Survey:** The majority of participants are PhD students and most people never ran a micromagnetic simulation before.
- ▶ Our goal is to try to establish **a good foundation** to make sure that at the end of the workshop you know how to:
  - ▶ **Set up and run** a micromagnetic simulation in ubermag,
  - ▶ **Analyse and visualise** the data,
  - ▶ **Understand the documentation** and learn more advanced topics on your own.

## WHAT DO I NEED FOR THE WORKSHOP?

- ▶ The **workshop repository** is going to be updated regularly and it is available at:

<https://github.com/ubermag/workshop>

- ▶ It contains all the slides, tutorials, exercises, extra materials, and up-to-date information about the workshop.
- ▶ Tutorials and exercises can be **run in the cloud** using Binder.
- ▶ You **do not need to install anything** and no files will be created on your machine.
- ▶ Binder can be accessed using **Binder badge** in the workshop repository:



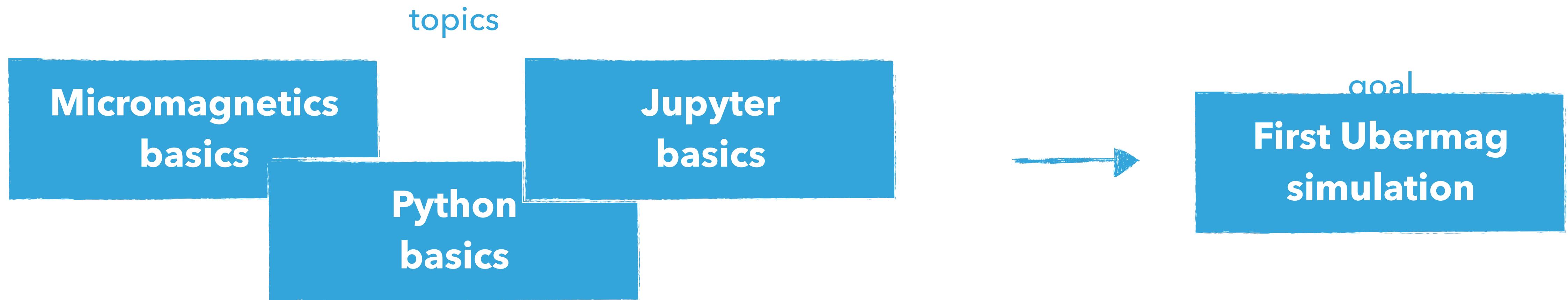
- ▶ Starting Binder can take a few minutes, so **please be patient**.
- ▶ **WARNING:** The most recent update of Safari web browser on MacOS sometimes does not interpret the colours well in 3D interactive plots and **Google Chrome is recommended**.

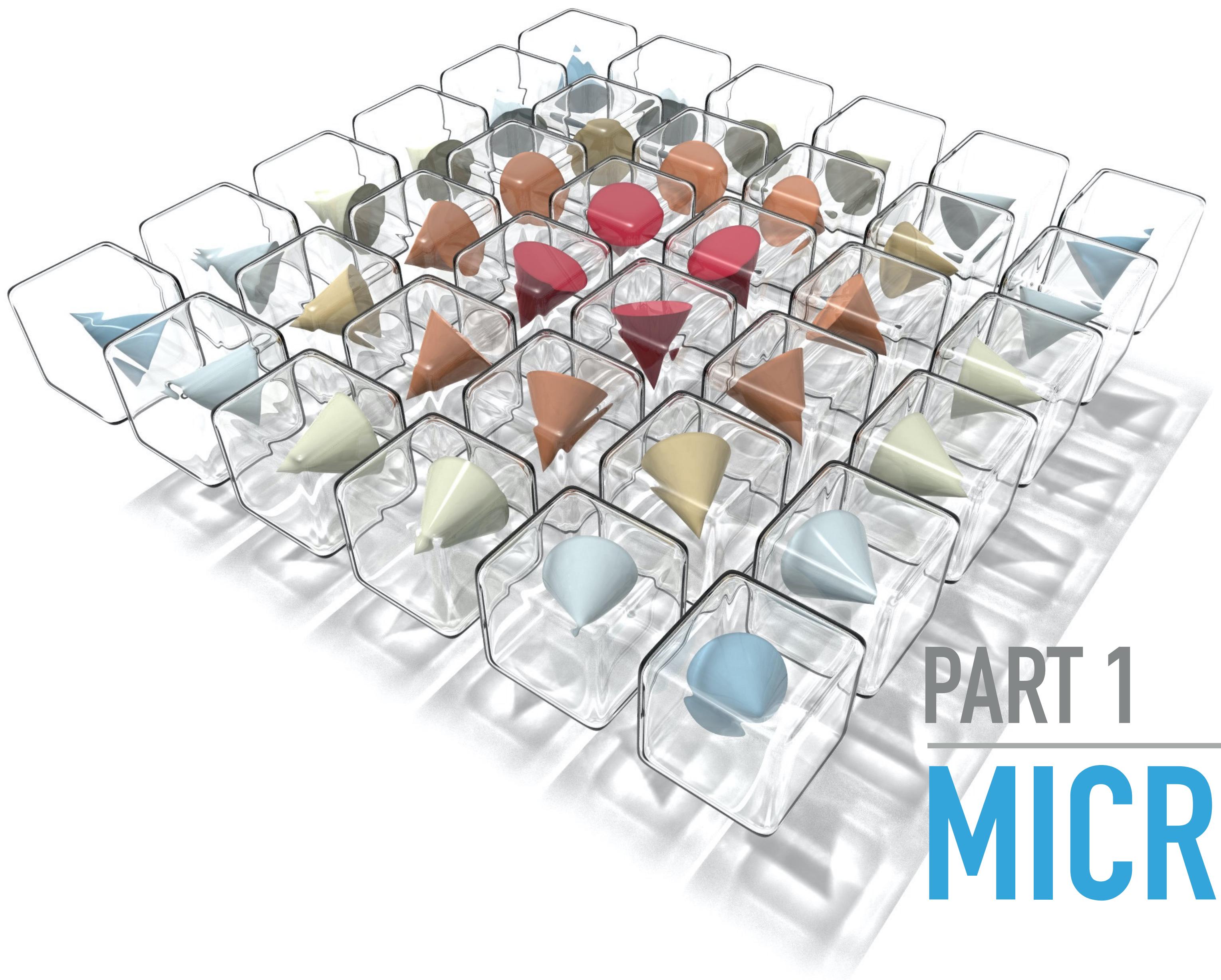
## INSTALLATION (OOMMF VS MUMAX3)

- ▶ Ubermag is a **Python package** and it can be installed in many different ways (pip, miniconda, anaconda-navigator, docker...)
- ▶ We recommend the installation using **miniconda**:
  1. Install Miniconda
  2. conda install --channel conda-forge ubermag
- ▶ For detailed installation instructions, please follow one of our **YouTube videos**.
- ▶ Due to the **limited access to GPU machines**, we are going to be focusing on OOMMF.
  - ▶ By installing ubermag, OOMMF is going to be installed automatically.
- ▶ **Ubermag interface is the same** for both OOMMF and mumax3.
- ▶ mumax3c is currently available from the development branch, and we expect to demonstrate **mumax3c in the last session**. The current situation makes it a bit difficult to make a release.

## THE PLAN FOR SESSION 1

- ▶ The aim of the workshop is to gain some **basic understanding of micromagnetics** and to be **able to run useful simulations** in the end.
- ▶ Our assumption is **no previous experience** in micromagnetics, Python, or Jupyter.
- ▶ In Session 1, we are going to **cover only the very basics**, so that everybody should be able to follow sessions 2 and 3 (the most exciting things happen later).





PART 1

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# MICROMAGNETICS

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*“... is a field of physics dealing with the prediction of magnetic behaviours at sub-micrometer length scales.”*

Source: Wikipedia

## MAGNETISATION FIELD

- ▶ In continuum approximation, magnetisation is considered to be a **continuous vector field**.
- ▶ Magnetisation  $\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{r}, t)$  is a function of both space  $\mathbf{r}$  and time  $t$ .

$$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{r}, t)$$

## MICROMAGNETIC ASSUMPTIONS

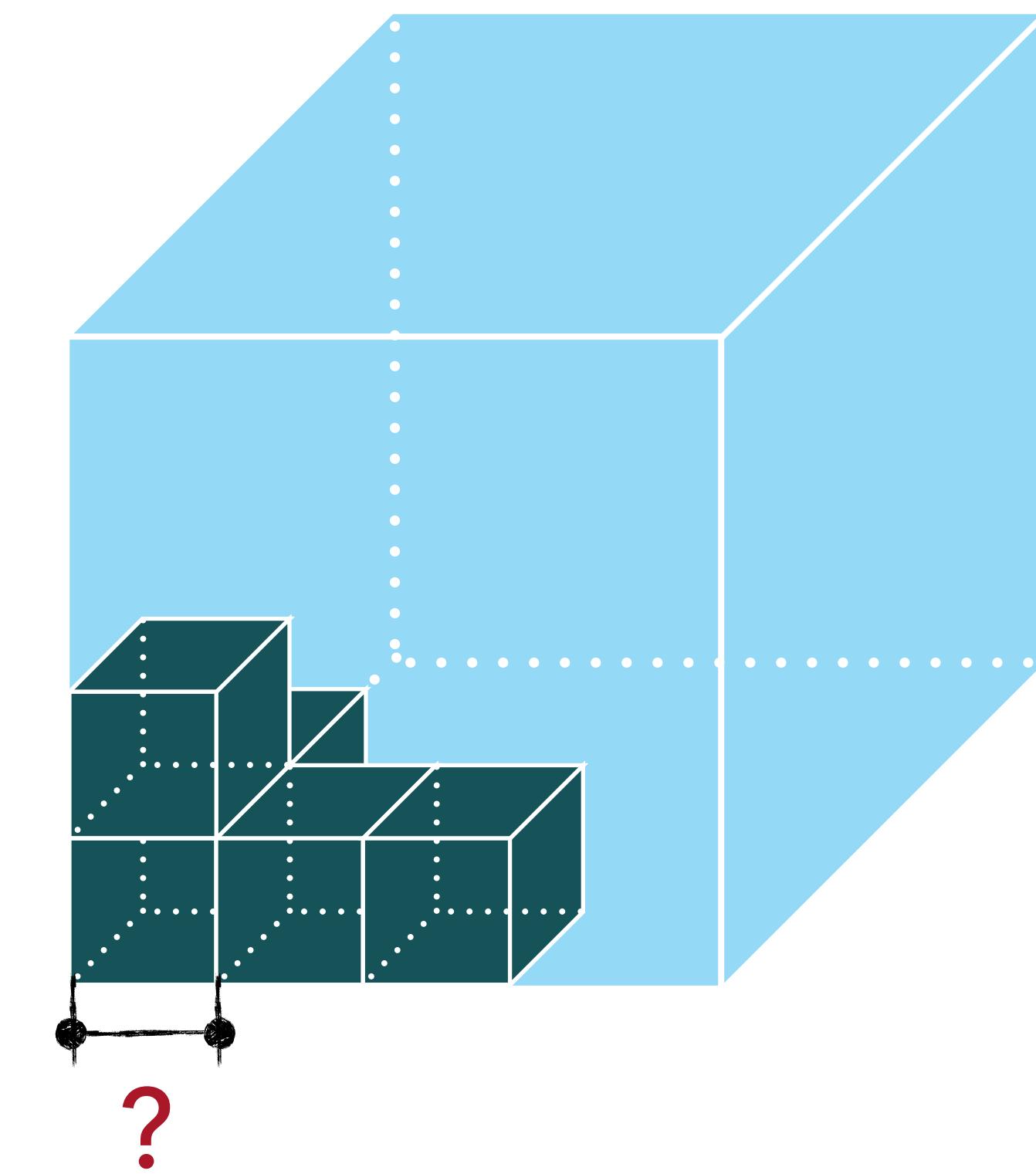
1. Magnetisation field  $\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{r}, t)$  is **differentiable** (continuous and slowly changing) with respect to both space  $\mathbf{r}$  and time  $t$ .
2. The magnetisation field **norm is constant** (time invariant).
  - ▶ Constant norm  $|\mathbf{M}|$  is represented by **saturation magnetisation**  $M_s$ .
$$M_s = |\mathbf{M}| = \text{const.}$$
  - ▶ Very often, magnetisation is represented by a normalised magnetisation field  $\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{r}, t)$ .

$$\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{r}, t)}{M_s}$$

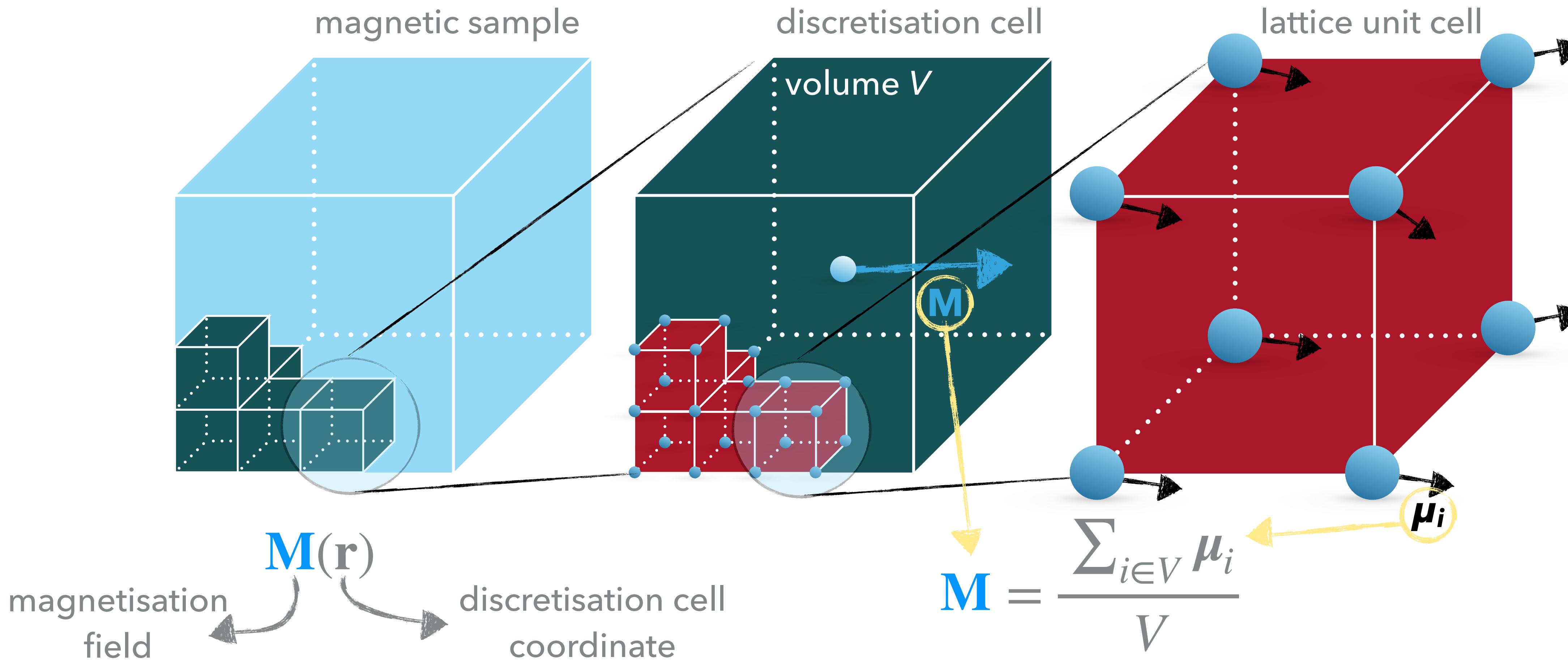
$$|\mathbf{m}| = m_x^2 + m_y^2 + m_z^2 = 1$$

## DISCRETISATION

- ▶ In order to solve the magnetisation field numerically, we have to divide it into smaller “chunks”.
- ▶ There are two main ways how we can discretise the field:
  - ▶ **finite-differences**
  - ▶ finite-elements
- ▶ The discretisation must be:
  - ▶ **large enough** to ignore the crystal structure of the material (the continuum approximation).
  - ▶ **small enough** to spatially resolve different magnetisation configurations (like domain walls, vortices, or skyrmions).



## FINITE-DIFFERENCE DISCRETISATION



## DISCRETISED MAGNETISATION FIELD

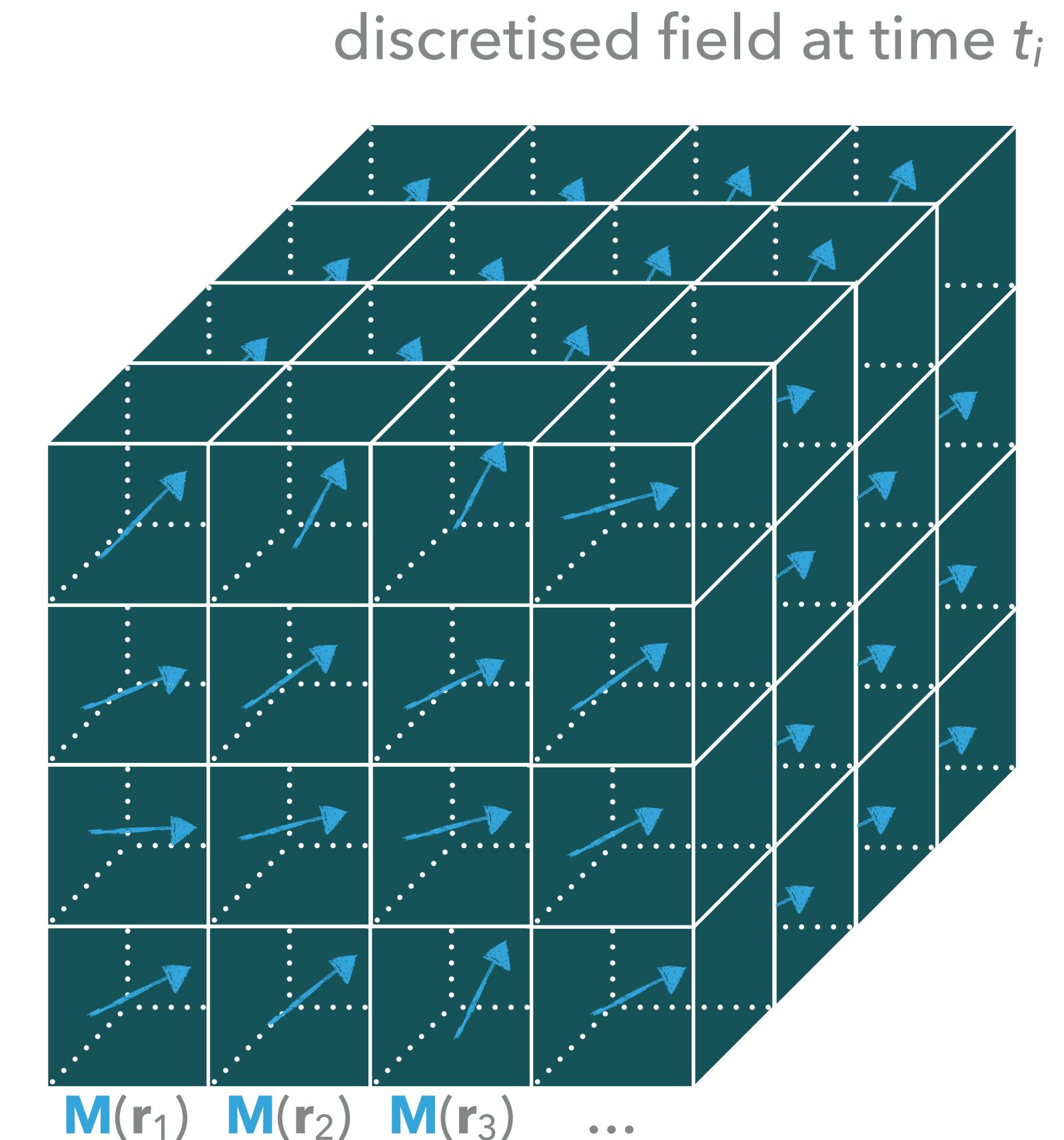
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- In finite-differences, magnetisation field  $\mathbf{M}$  is discretised (at every time step) so that a **single vector is assigned to each discretisation cell**.

$$\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{r}_i, t_i) = (M_x, M_y, M_z)$$



## ENERGY EQUATION (HAMILTONIAN)

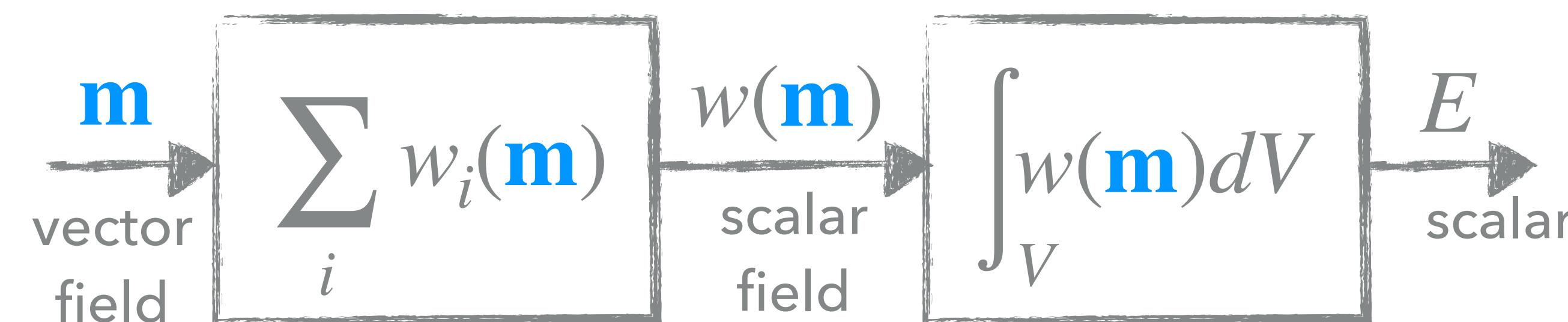
- ... is a mapping of magnetisation field  $\mathbf{m}=\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{r}, t)$  to energy density (scalar) field.

$$w(\mathbf{m}) = w_1(\mathbf{m}) + w_2(\mathbf{m}) + w_3(\mathbf{m}) + \dots = \sum_i w_i(\mathbf{m})$$

user-defined

- By integrating  $w(\mathbf{m})$  over the entire sample volume  $V$ , the energy functional is

$$E[\mathbf{m}] = \int_V w(\mathbf{m}) dV$$

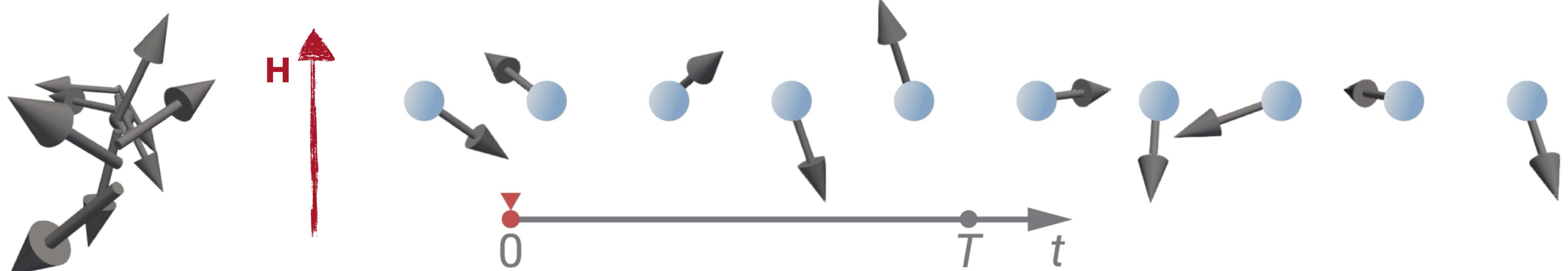
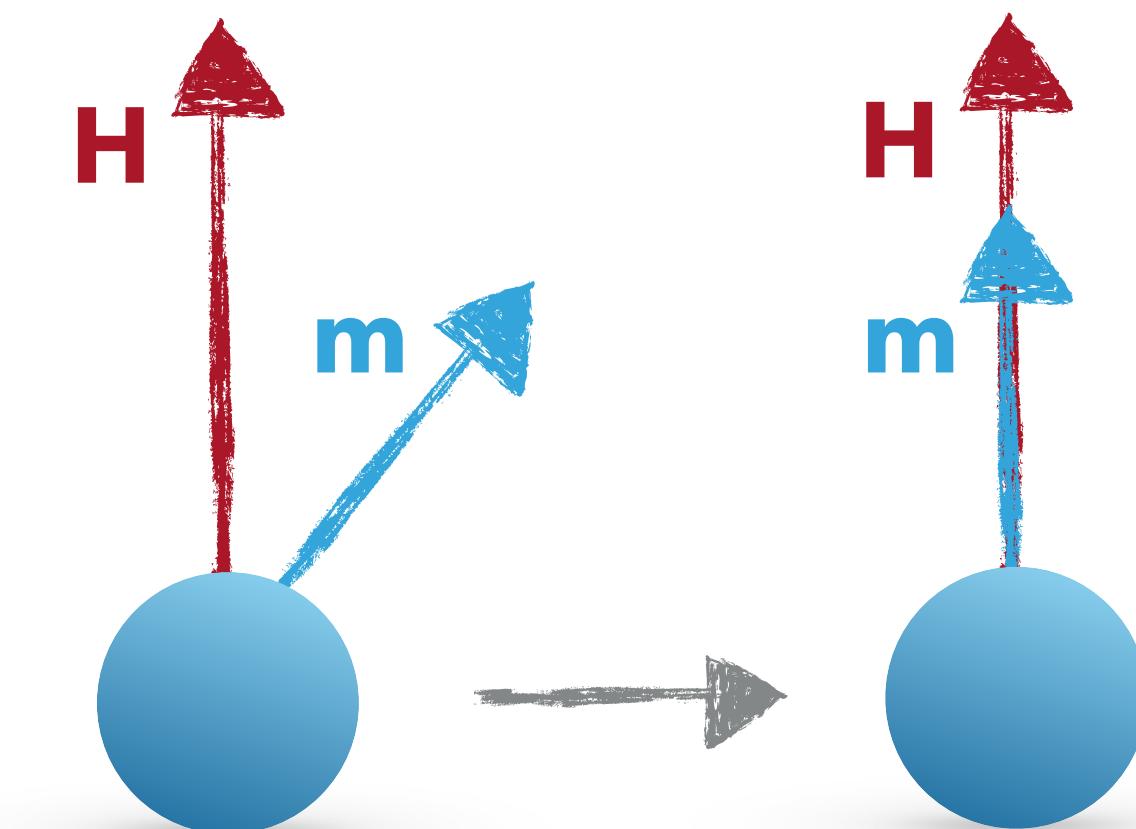


## ZEEMAN

- ▶ Aligns  $\mathbf{m}$  parallel to  $\mathbf{H}$ .
- ▶ Parameter:  $\mathbf{H}$  (A/m)

Parameter in  
ubermag is  $\mathbf{H}$   
and not  $\mathbf{B}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} w_z &= -\mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{B} & (\mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{H}, \mathbf{M} = M_s \mathbf{m}) \\ &= -\mu_0 M_s \mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{H} \end{aligned}$$



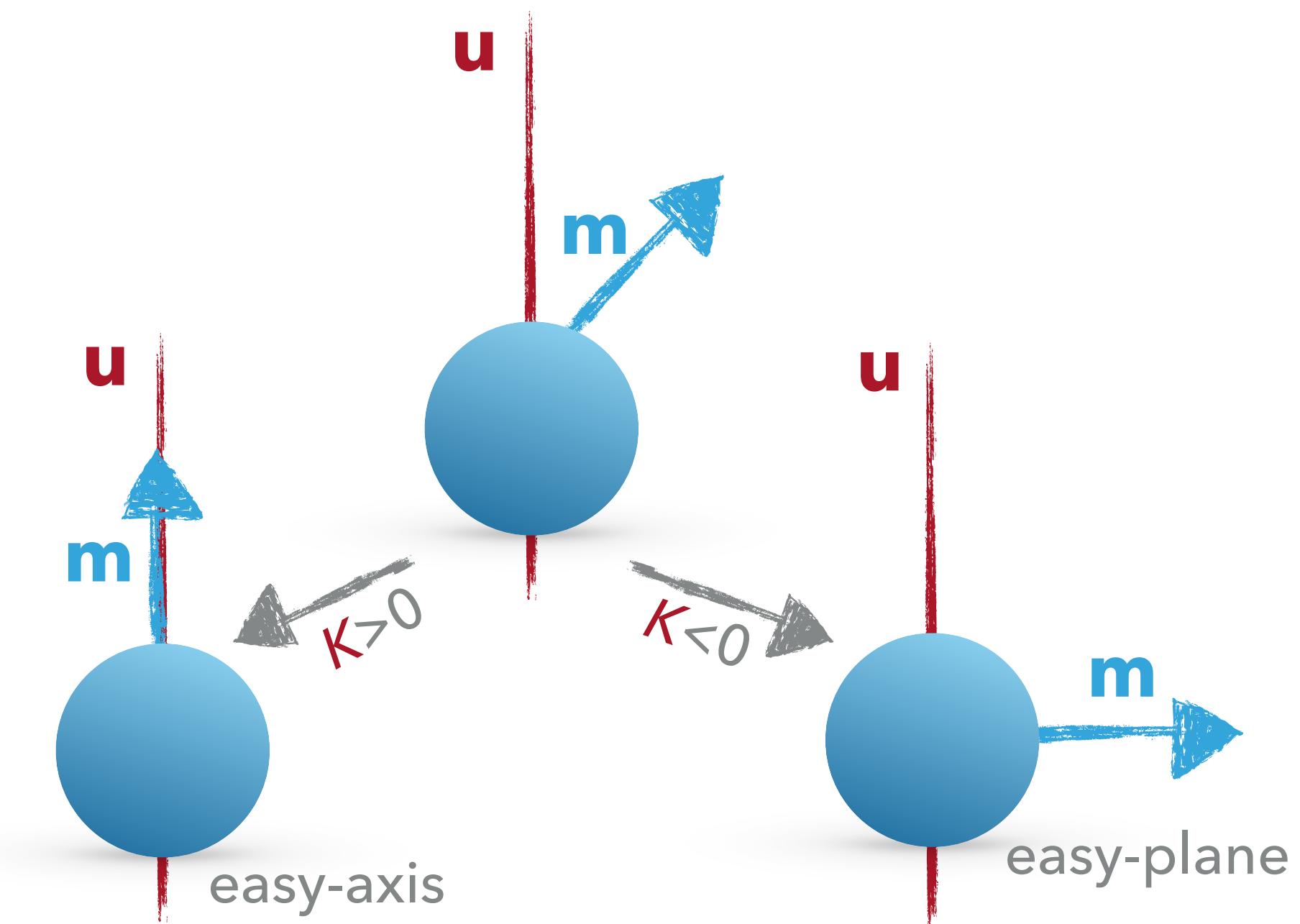
## UNIAXIAL ANISOTROPY

- ▶ Aligns  $\mathbf{m}$  along  $\mathbf{u}$  or perpendicular to  $\mathbf{u}$ .
- ▶ Parameters:  $K$  (J/m<sup>3</sup>),  $\mathbf{u}$

$$\begin{aligned} w_{ua} &= -K(\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{u})^2 \quad (|\mathbf{m}| = 1, |\mathbf{u}| = 1) \\ &= -K \cos^2 \theta \\ &= -K(1 - \sin^2 \theta) = \cancel{-K} + K \sin^2 \theta \end{aligned}$$

const.

- ▶ There are several mathematically equivalent ways of writing uniaxial anisotropy.
- ▶ Changing on the sign of  $K$ , changes the “character” of uniaxial anisotropy.



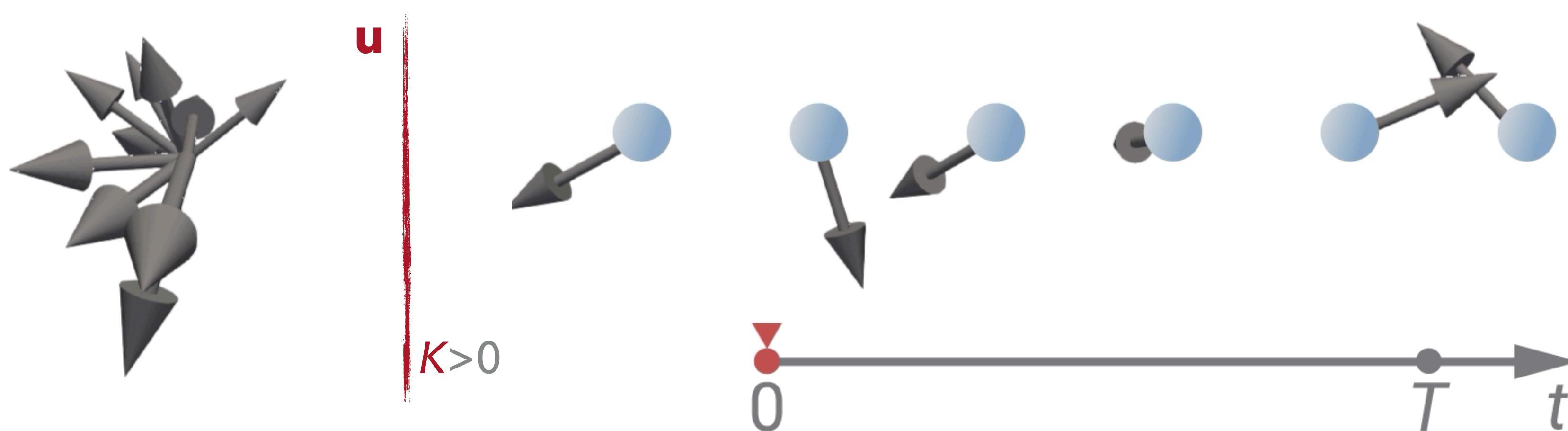
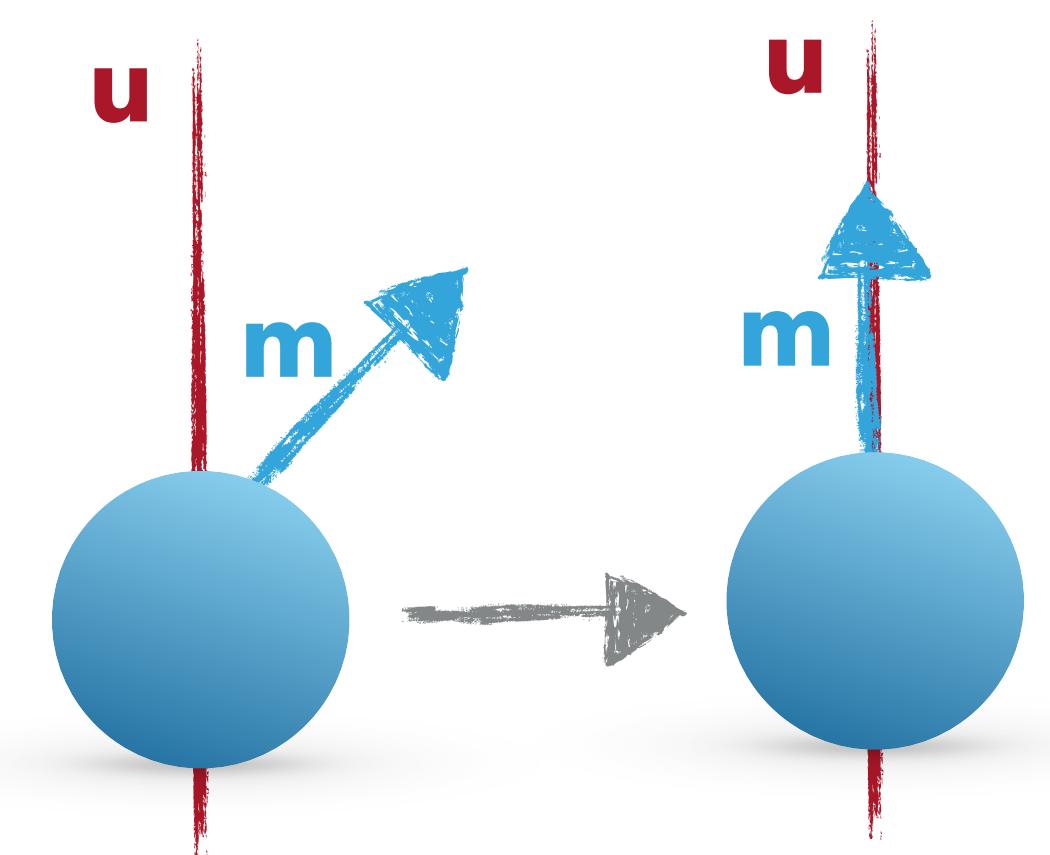
Be careful about  
the sign of  $K$   
and if  $|\mathbf{u}|=1$ .

# EASY AXIS UNIAXIAL ANISOTROPY

- Aligns  $\mathbf{m}$  parallel to antiparallel to  $\mathbf{u}$ .
- Parameters:  $K > 0$  ( $\text{J/m}^3$ ),  $\mathbf{u}$

Be careful that  
 $K > 0$  and  $|\mathbf{u}| = 1$ .

$$w_{\text{ua}} = -K(\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{u})^2 \quad (|\mathbf{m}| = 1, |\mathbf{u}| = 1)$$

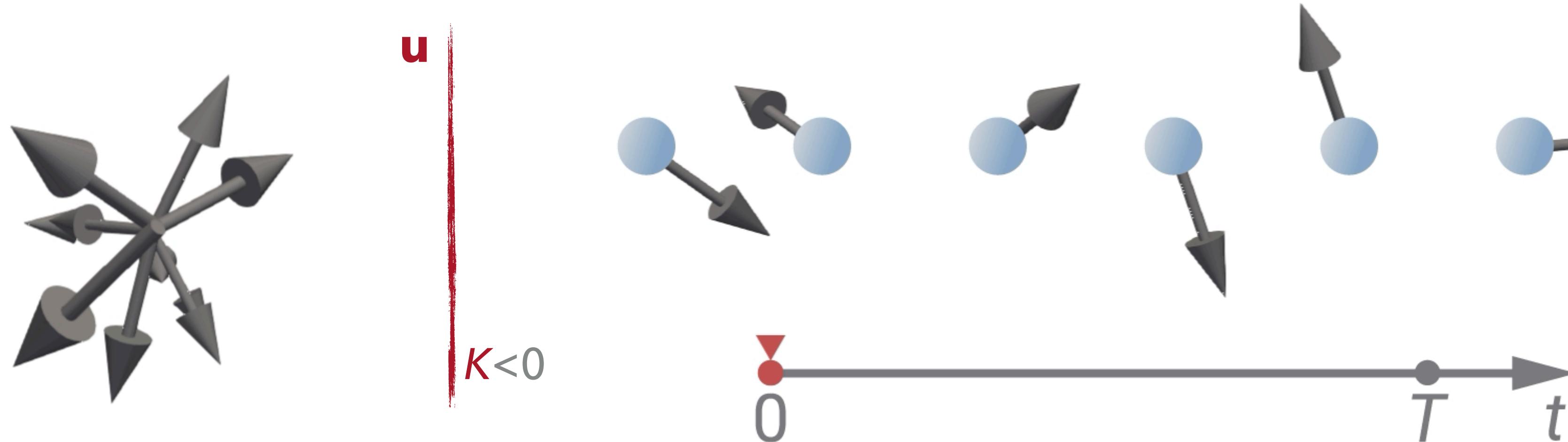
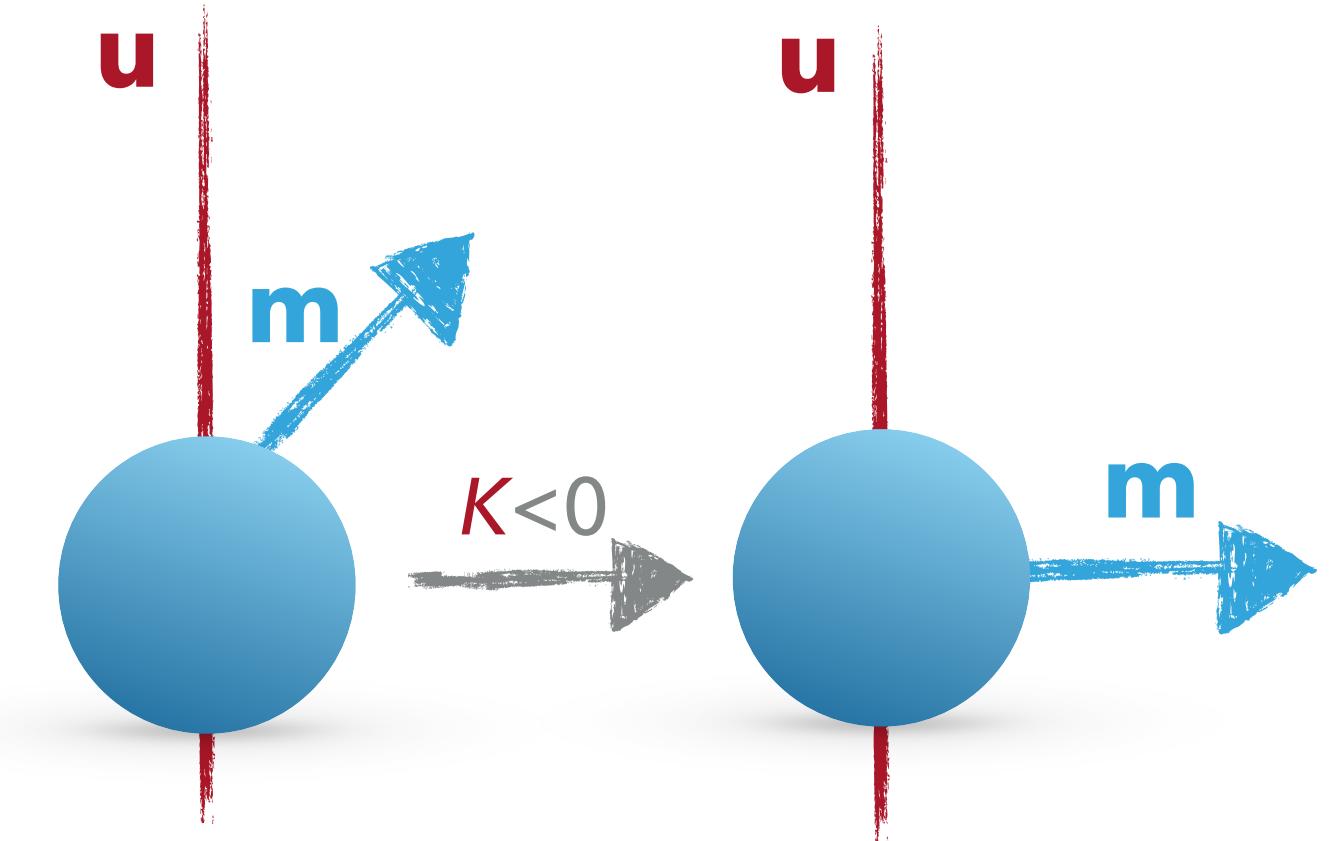


# EASY PLANE UNIAXIAL ANISOTROPY

- ▶ Aligns  $\mathbf{m}$  perpendicular to  $\mathbf{u}$ .
- ▶ Parameters:  $K < 0$  ( $J/m^3$ ),  $\mathbf{u}$

Be careful that  
 $K < 0$  and  $|\mathbf{u}| = 1$ .

$$w_{ua} = -K(\mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{u})^2 \quad (|\mathbf{m}| = 1, |\mathbf{u}| = 1)$$



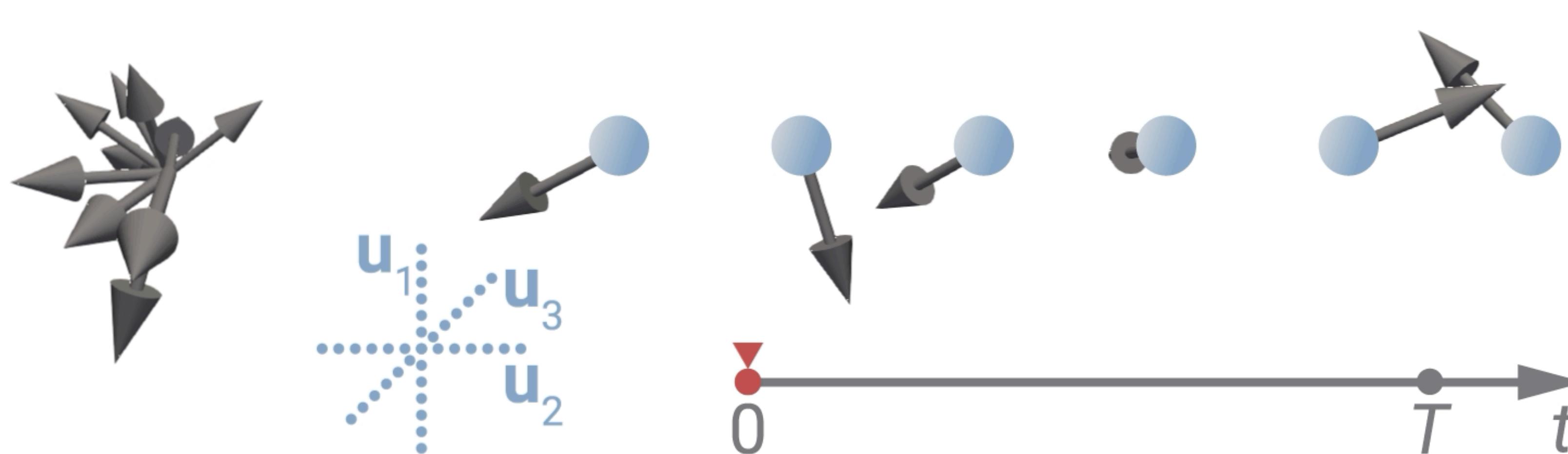
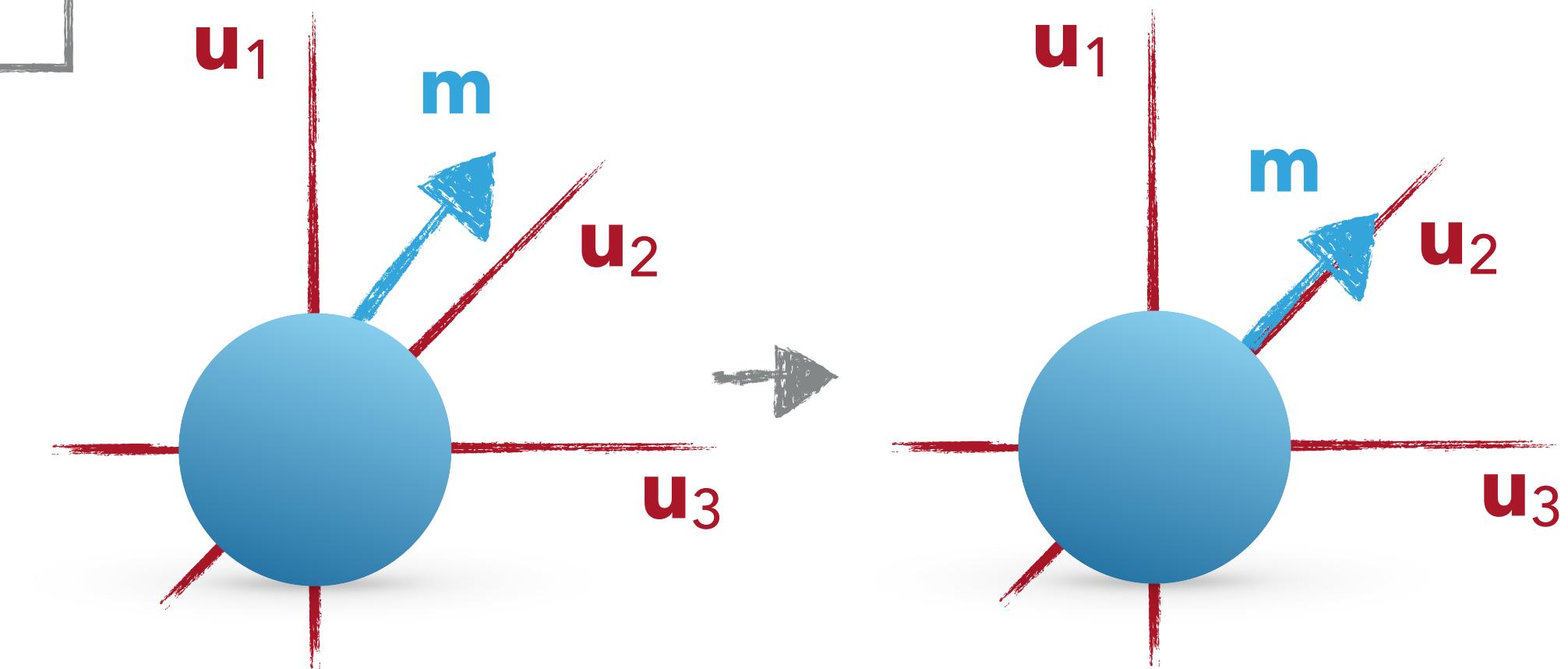
## CUBIC ANISOTROPY

- Aligns  $\mathbf{m}$  along  $\mathbf{u}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{u}_2$ , or  $\mathbf{u}_3$ .
- Parameters:  $K$  (J/m<sup>3</sup>),  $\mathbf{u}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{u}_2$ , (and)  $\mathbf{u}_3$

$$w_{ca} = -K(m_1^2 m_2^2 + m_2^2 m_3^2 + m_1^2 m_3^2)$$

$$( |\mathbf{m}| = 1, |\mathbf{u}| = 1, m_i = \mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{u}_i )$$

Be careful if  $|\mathbf{u}_i|=1$   
and  $\mathbf{u}_3 = \mathbf{u}_1 \times \mathbf{u}_2$

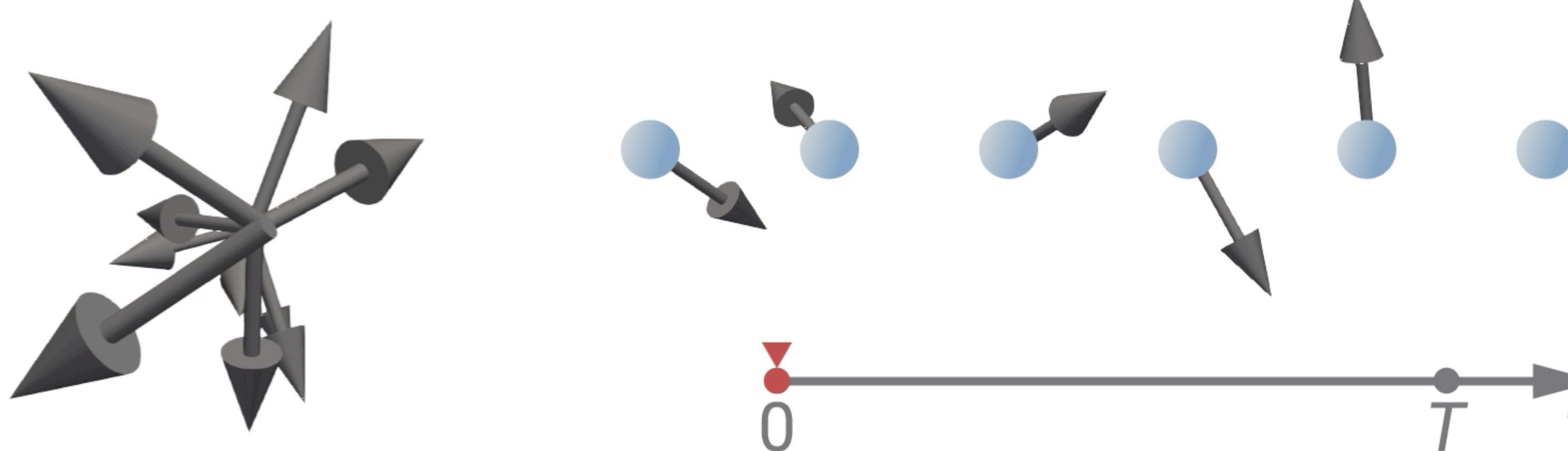
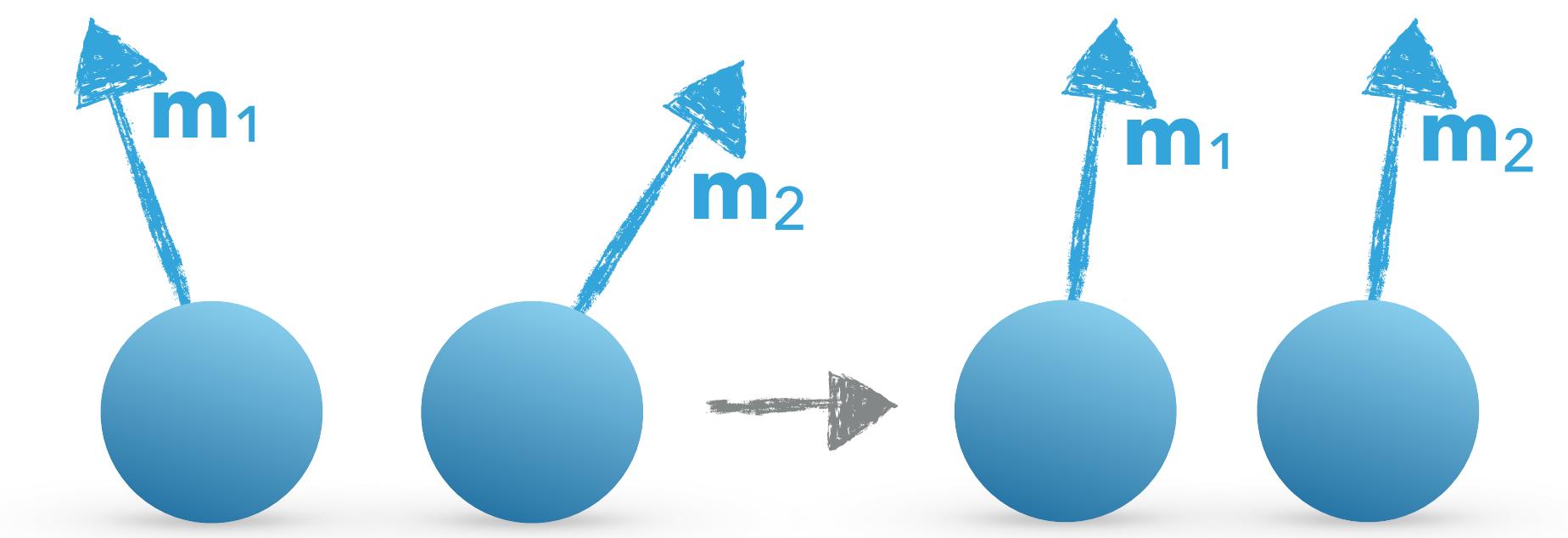


## (FERROMAGNETIC) EXCHANGE

- Aligns all magnetic moments (in  $\mathbf{m}$ ) parallel to each other.
- Parameter:  $A$  (J/m)

$$\begin{aligned} w_{\text{ex}} &= A \mathbf{m} \cdot \nabla^2 \mathbf{m} \quad (\text{vector Laplacian}) \\ &= A[(\nabla m_x)^2 + (\nabla m_y)^2 + (\nabla m_z)^2] \\ &(\equiv A(\nabla \mathbf{m})^2) \quad \text{just a convention} \end{aligned}$$

Using  $A < 0$  (antiferromagnetic exchange) in micromagnetics is not justified.

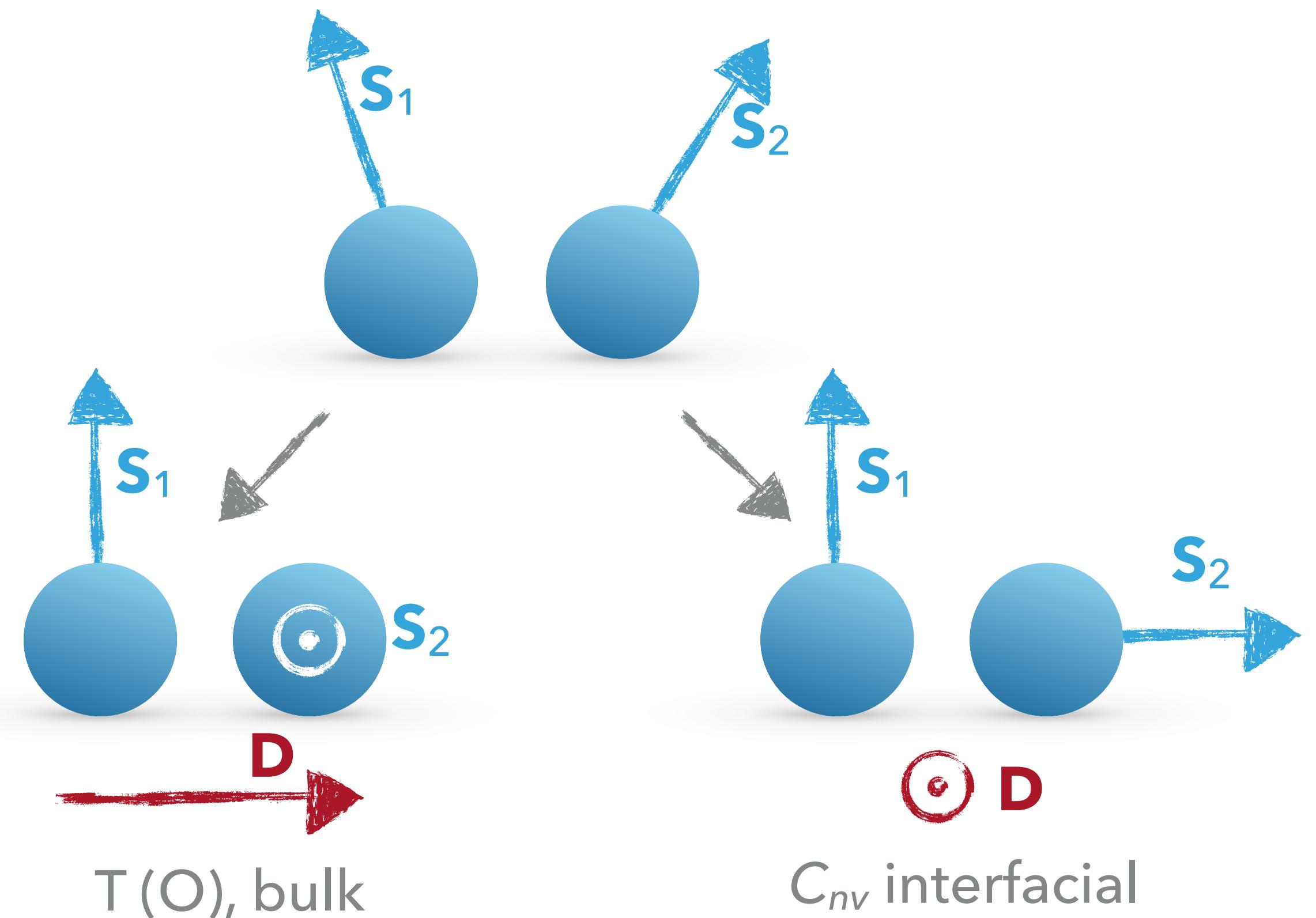


## (ATOMISTIC) DZYALOSHINSKII-MORIYA

- Aligns neighbouring magnetic moments (in  $\mathbf{m}$ ) perpendicular to each other and perpendicular to  $\mathbf{D}$ .

$$w_{ij}^{\text{dmi}} = (\pm) \mathbf{D} \cdot (\mathbf{S}_i \times \mathbf{S}_j)$$

Be careful about the sign.  
There is no clear convention.

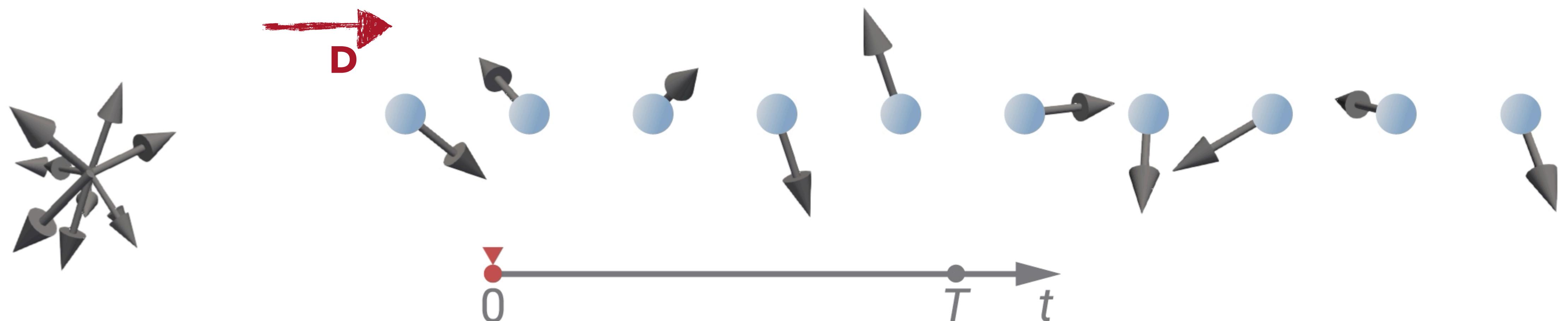
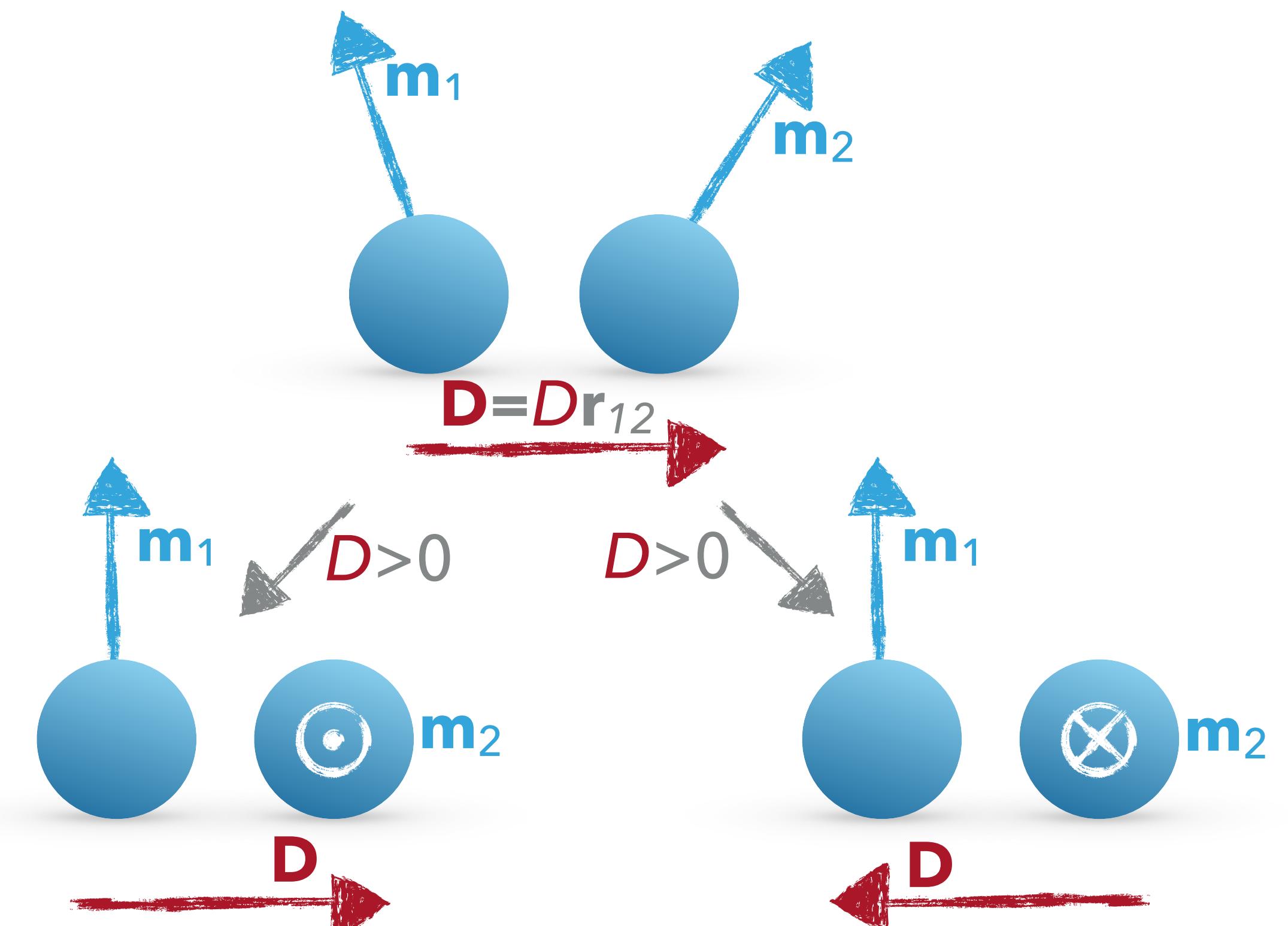


## DZYALOSHINSKII-MORIYA (T, 0)

- Aligns neighbouring magnetic moments (in  $\mathbf{m}$ ) perpendicular to each other.
- Parameter:  $D$  ( $\text{J/m}^2$ )

$$\omega_{\text{dmi}} = (\pm) D \mathbf{m} \cdot (\nabla \times \mathbf{m}) \quad (D = D \mathbf{r}_{ij})$$

Be careful about the sign of  $D$ .  
There is no clear convention.



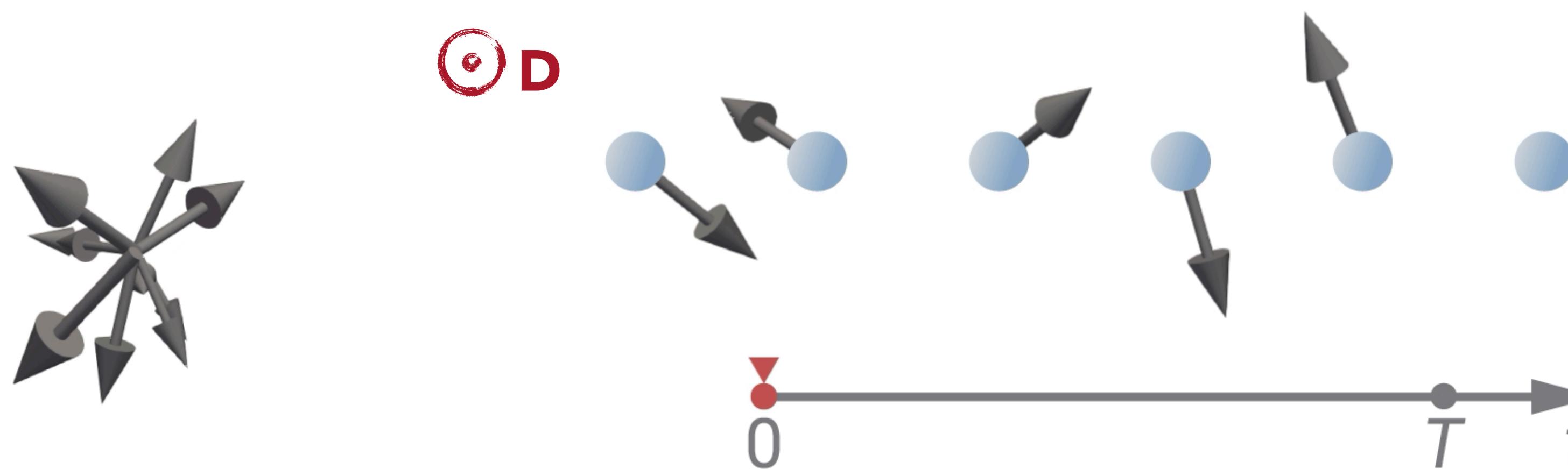
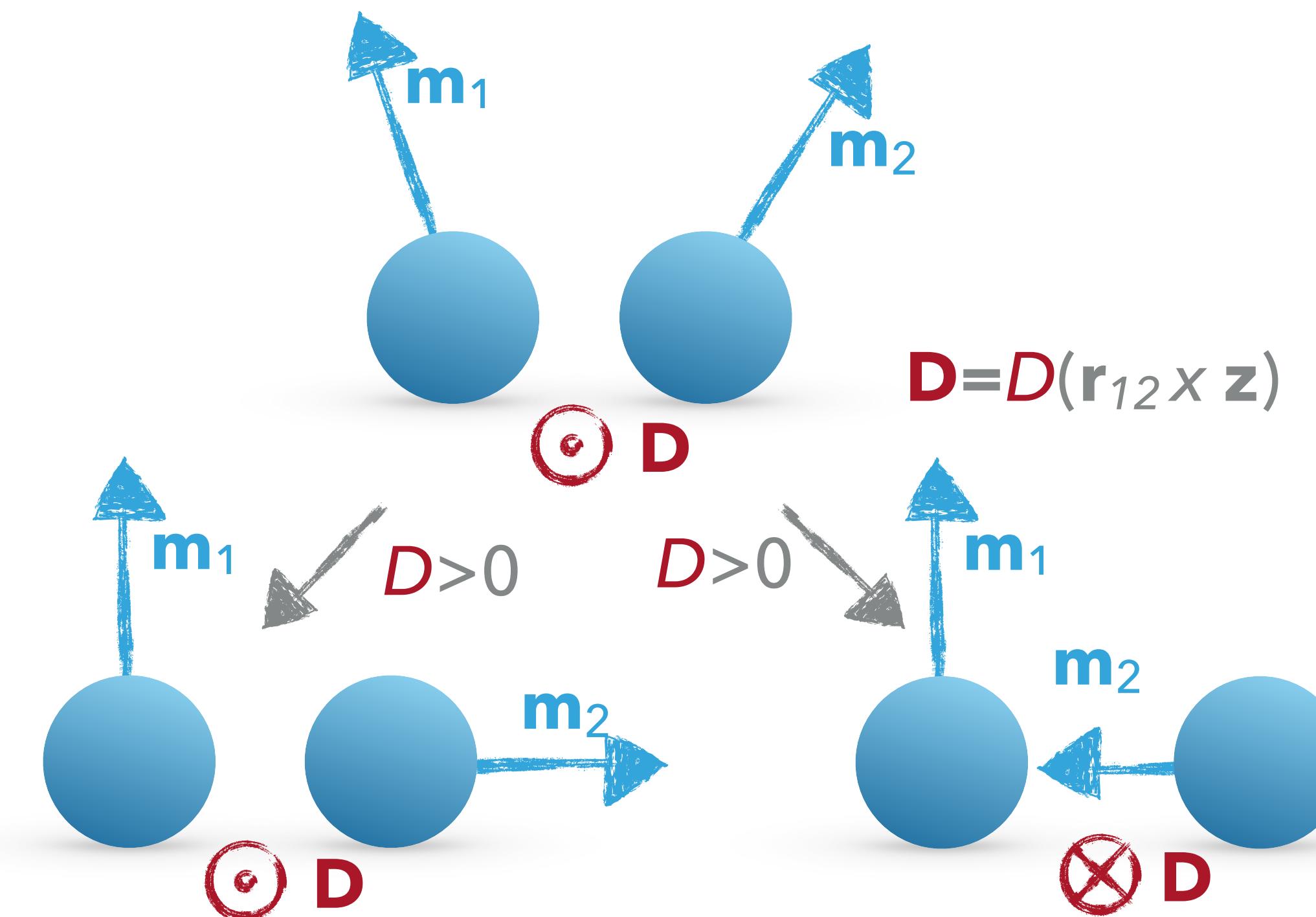
## DZYALOSHINSKII-MORIYA ( $C_{NV}$ )

- Aligns neighbouring magnetic moments (in  $\mathbf{m}$ ) perpendicular to each other.
- Parameter:  $D$  (J/m<sup>2</sup>)

$$\omega_{\text{dmi}} = (\pm)D(\mathbf{m} \cdot \nabla m_z - m_z \nabla \cdot \mathbf{m})$$

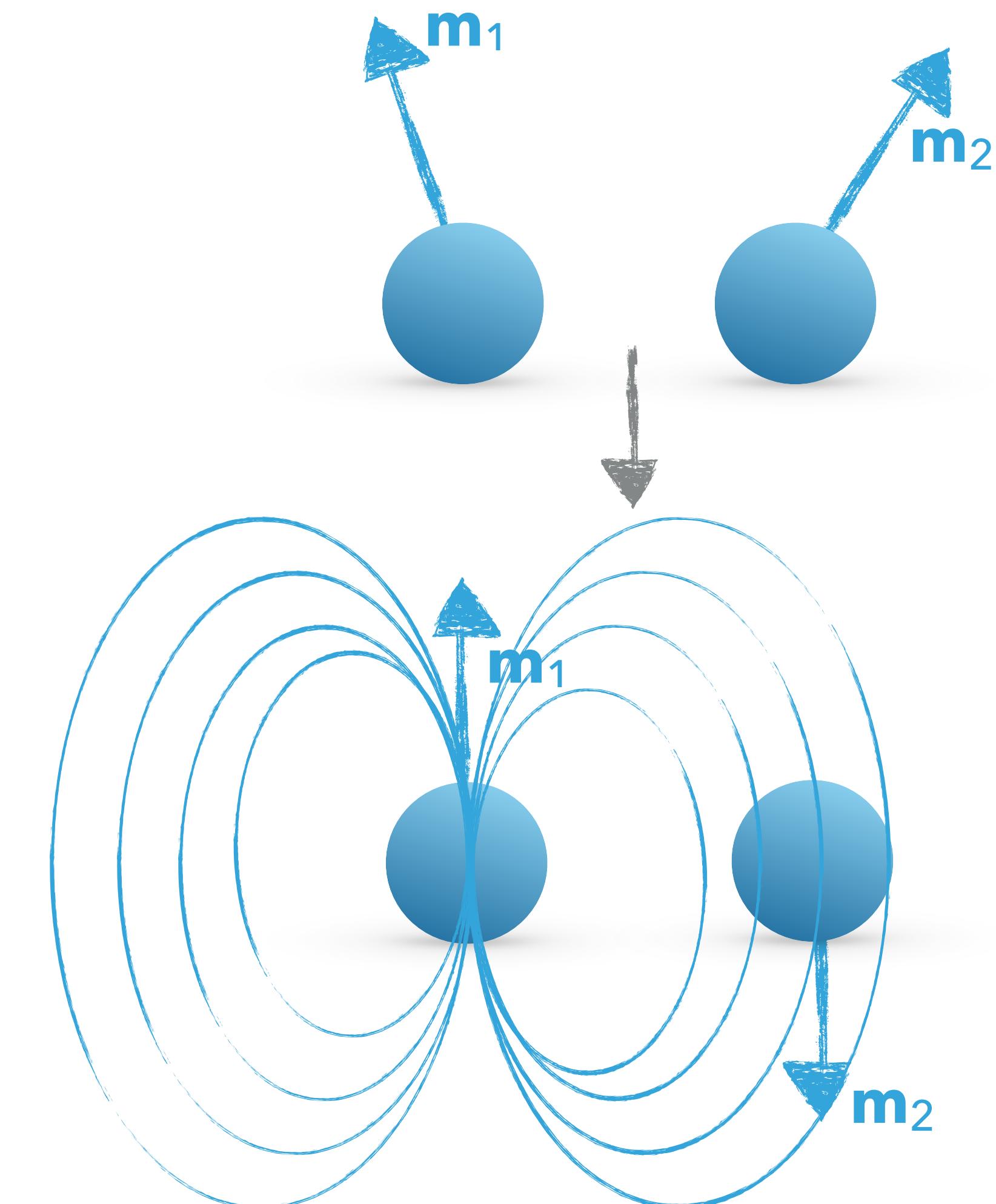
Be careful about the sign of  $D$ .  
 There is no clear convention.

$$(D = D(r_{ij} \times \hat{z}))$$

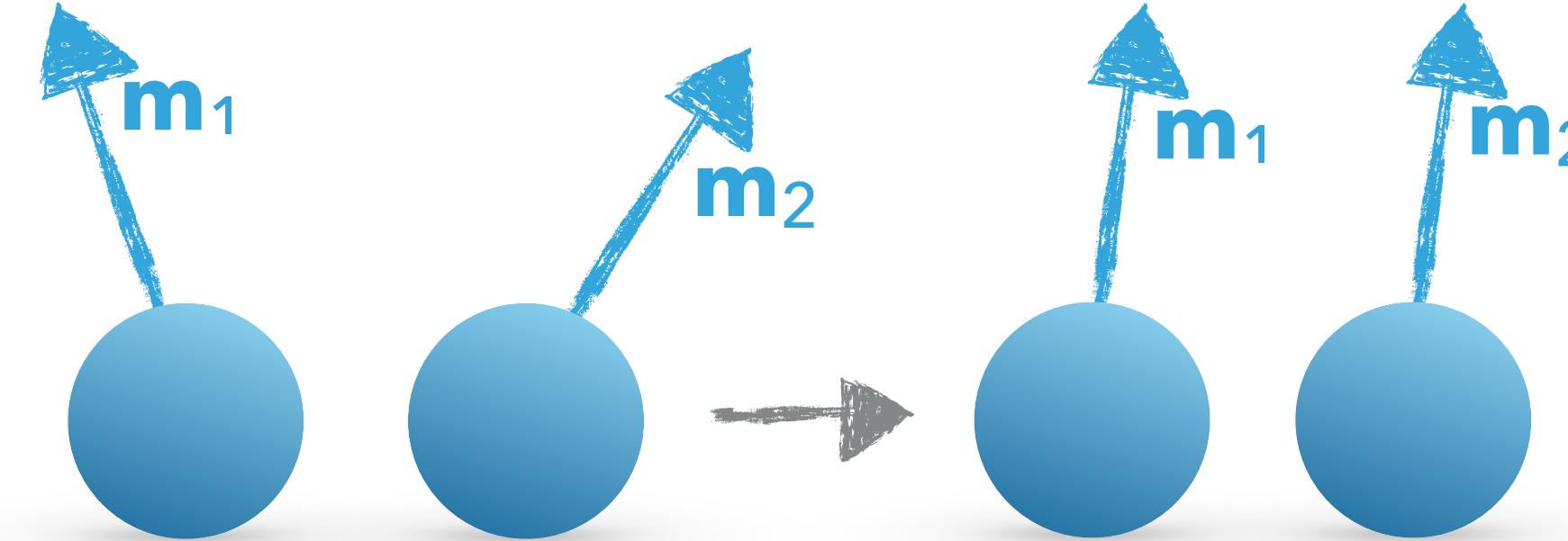


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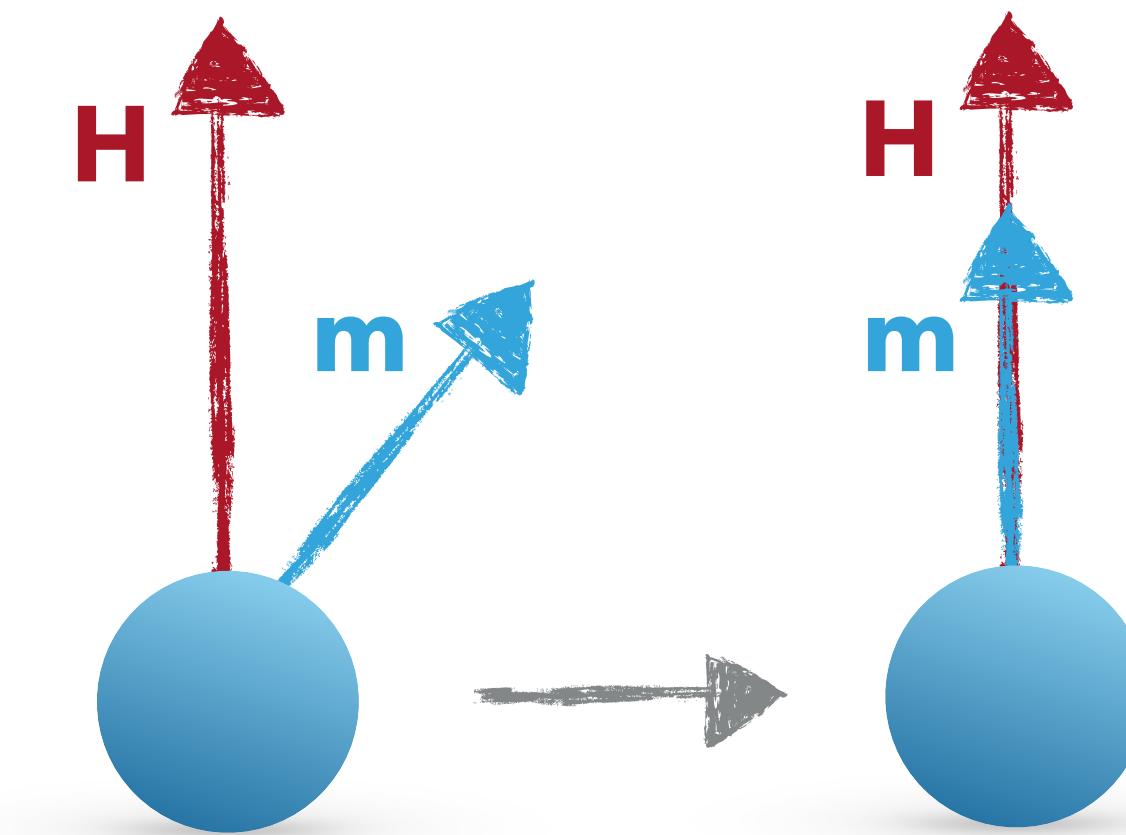
- ▶ **Long range interaction**
- ▶ It is computed from  $\mathbf{m}$  and no parameter is required.
- ▶ Each magnetic moment (in  $\mathbf{m}$ ) "feels" the total magnetic field of all surrounding moments.
- ▶ **Computationally expensive.**
- ▶ More details in the next sessions.



## EXCHANGE AND ZEEMAN

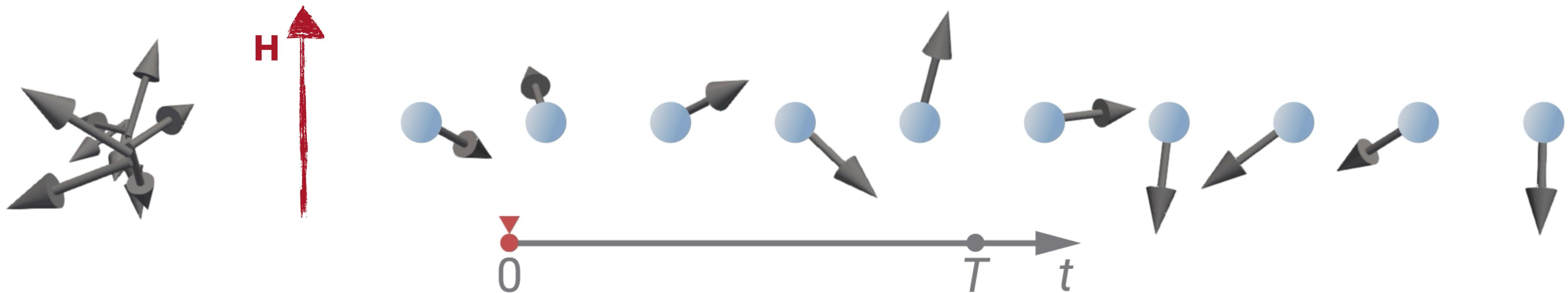


All magnetic moments parallel to each other?

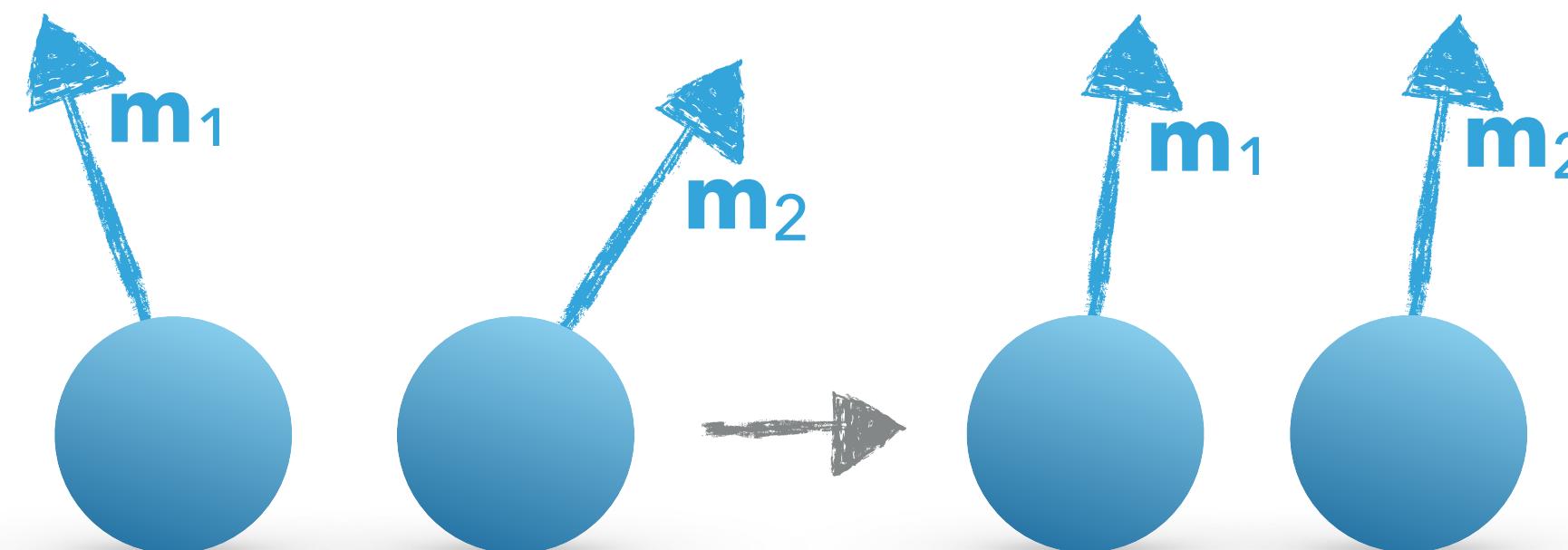


All magnetic moments parallel to  $\mathbf{H}$ ?

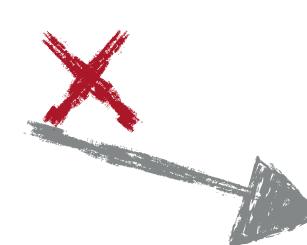
No compromise is needed.



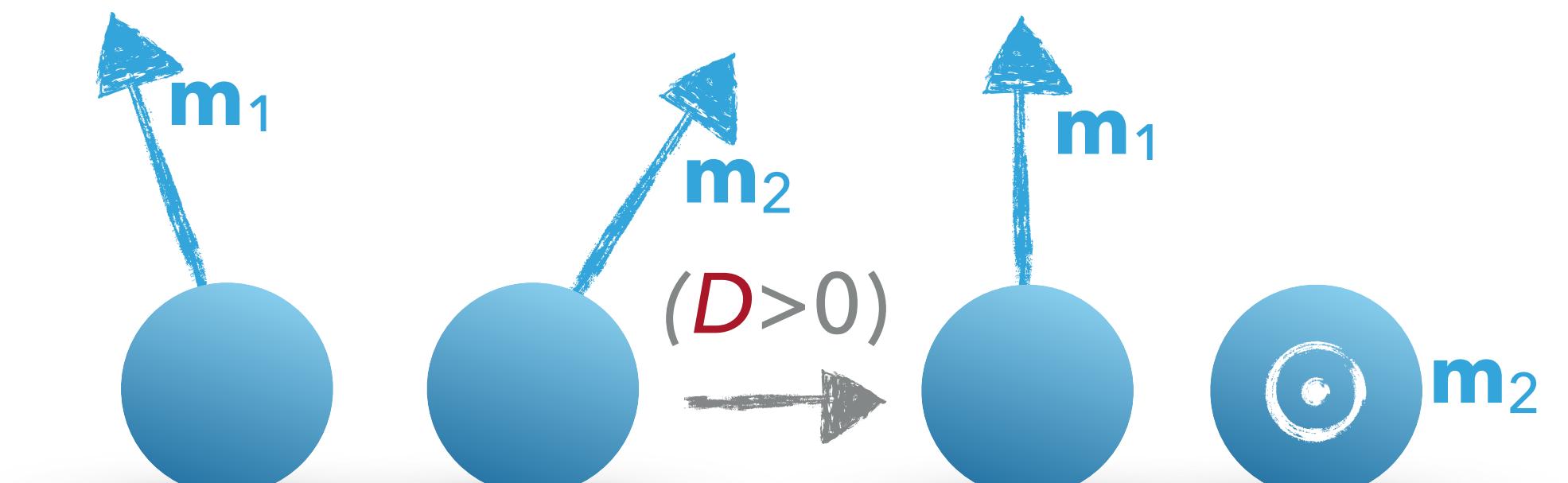
## EXCHANGE AND DMI ( $T$ )



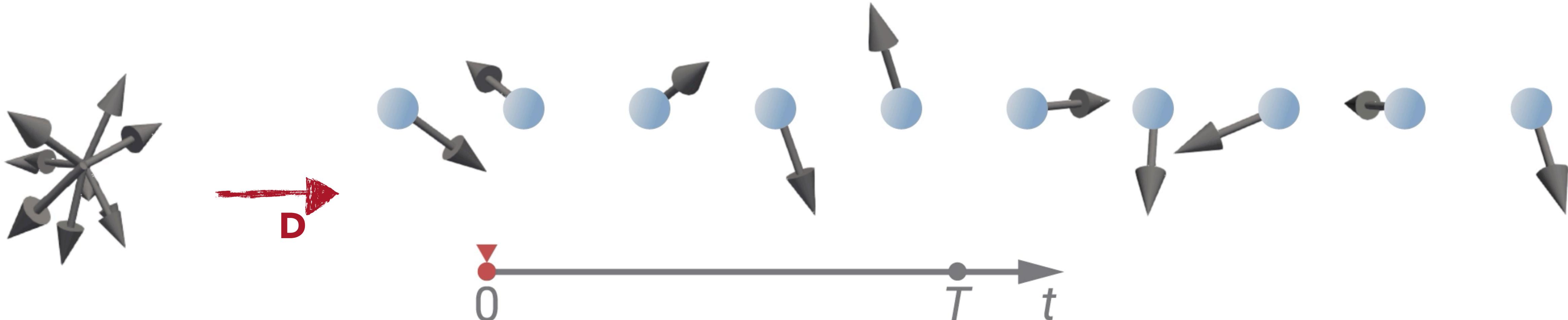
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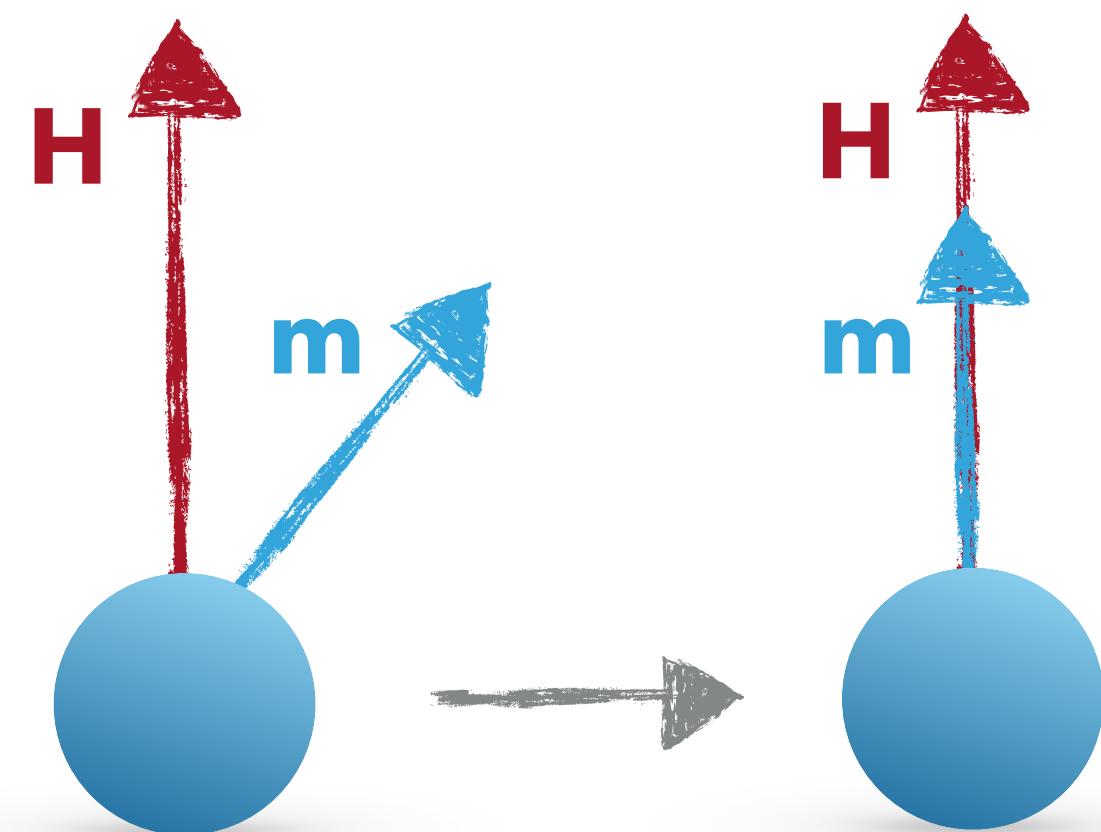
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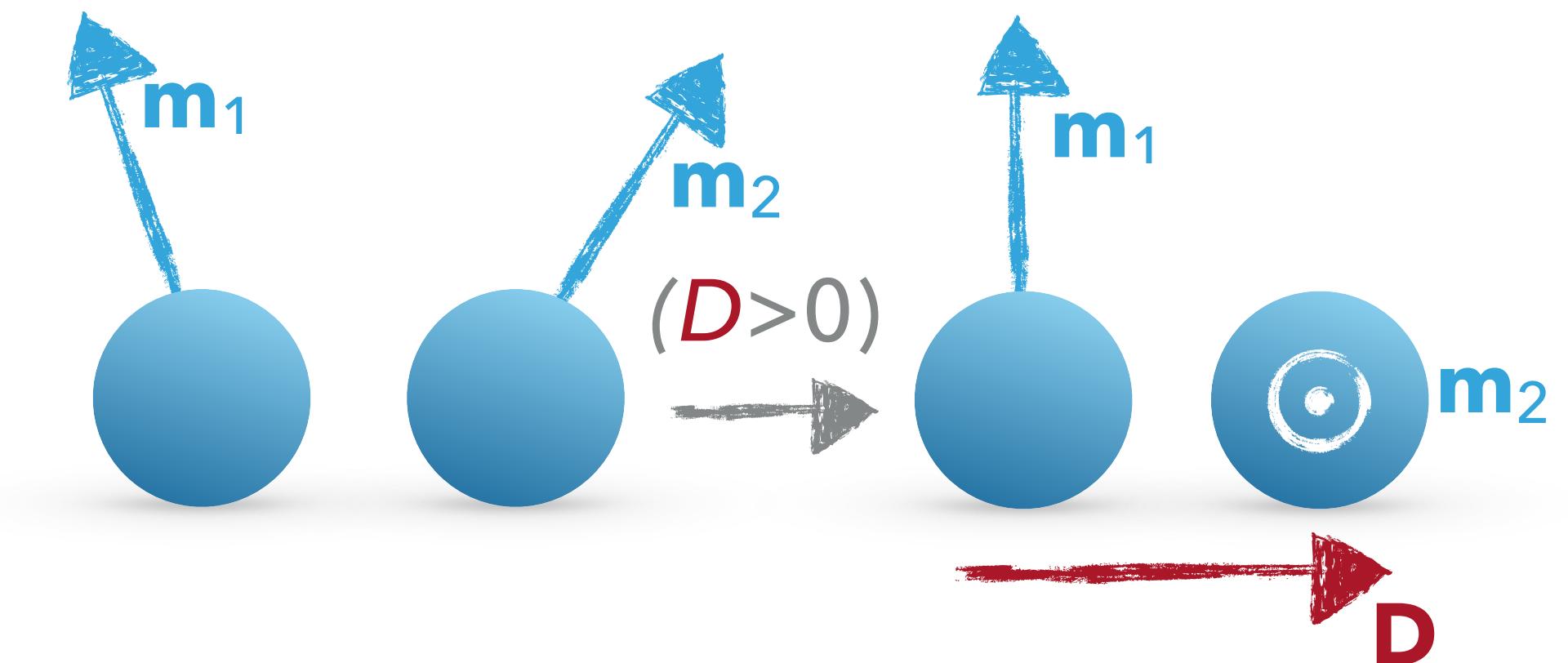
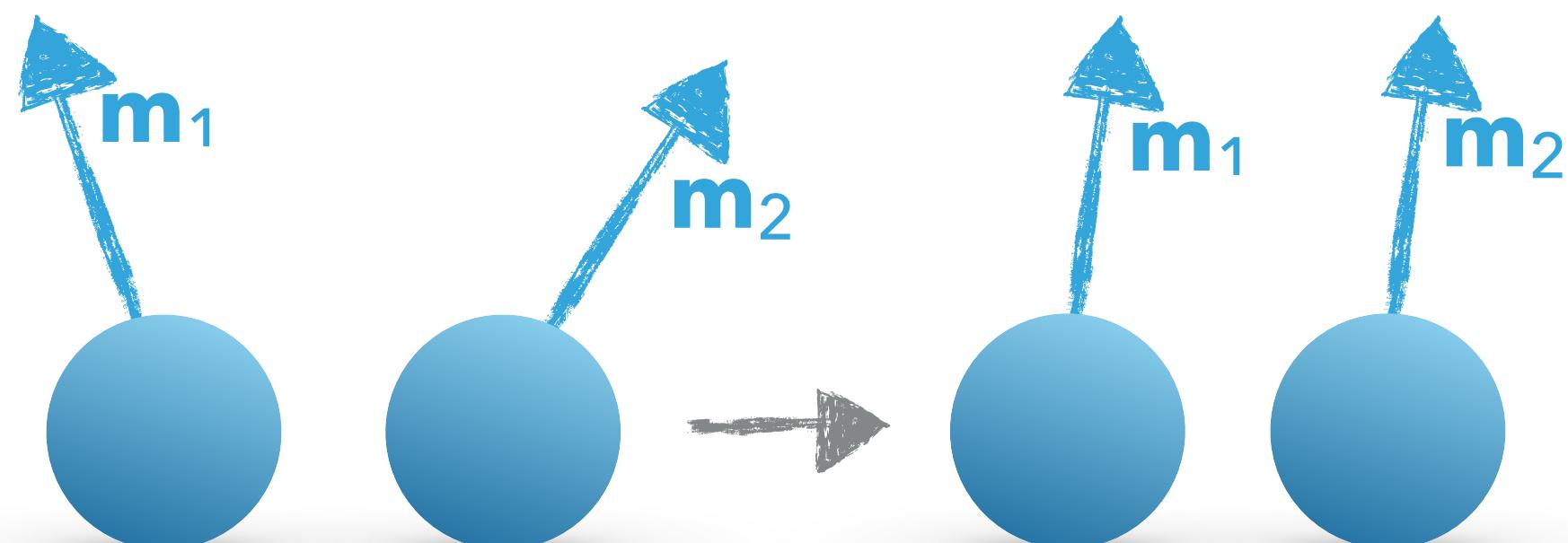
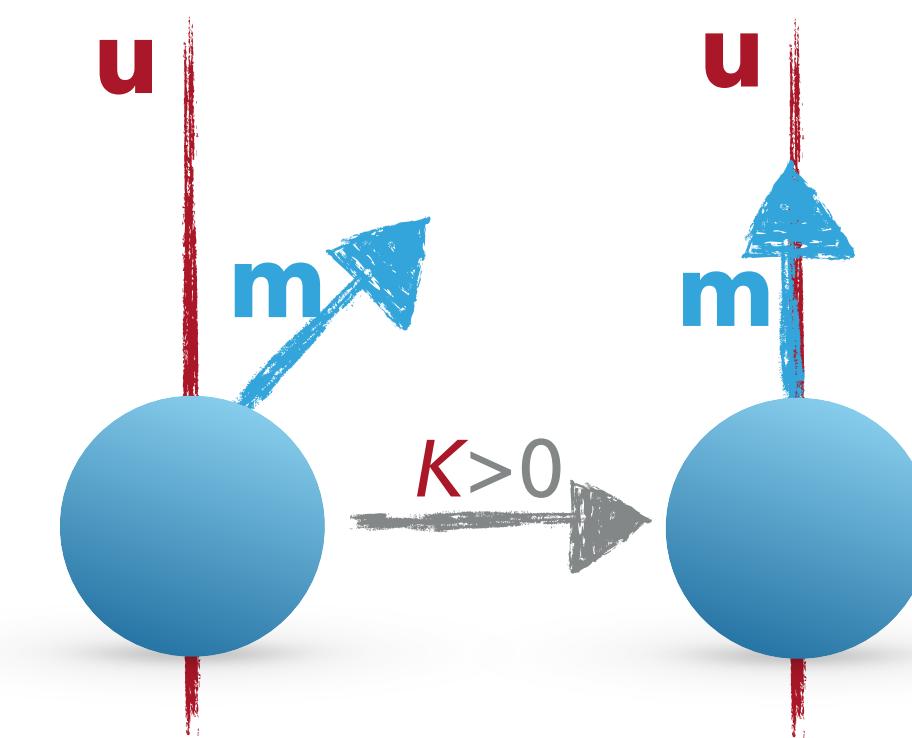
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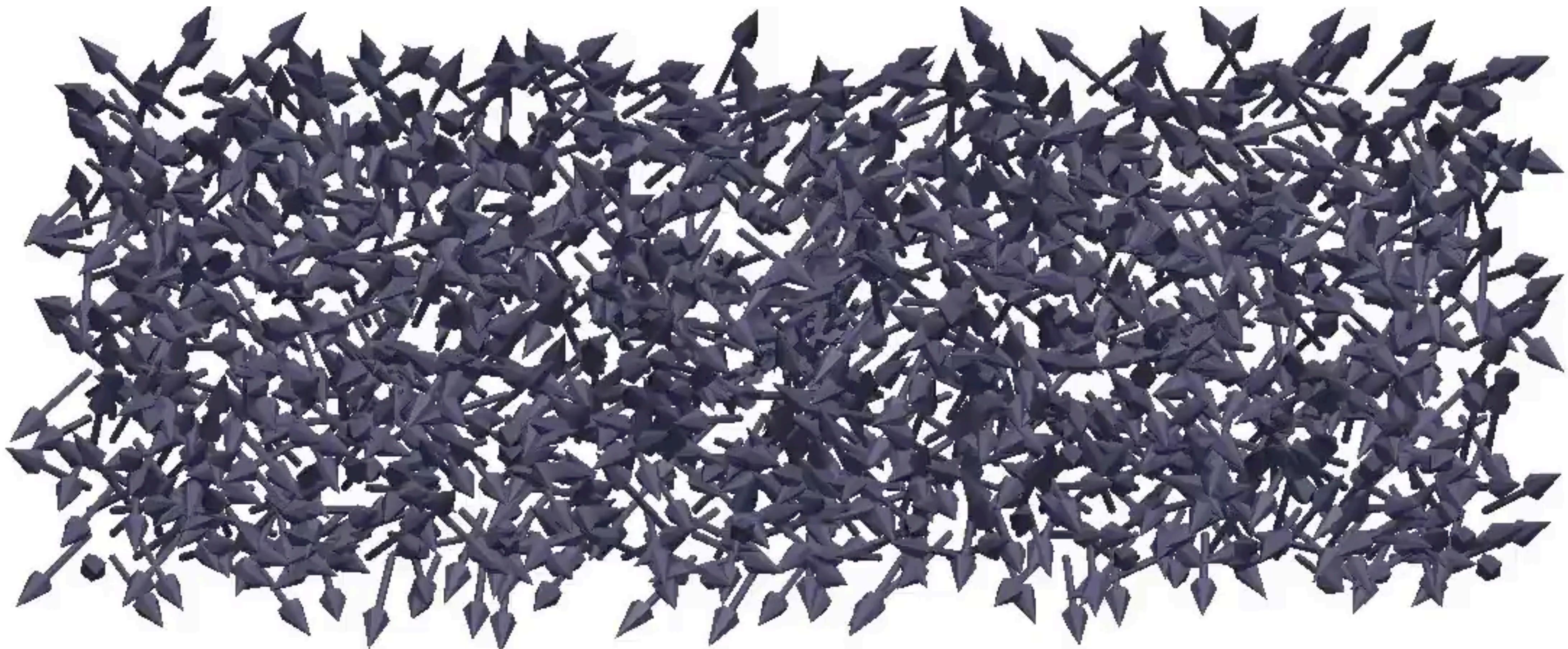
## MORE COMPLICATED CASE IN A 2D SAMPLE (1/2)



Energies have to compete and reach a compromise.



## MORE COMPLICATED CASE IN A 2D SAMPLE (2/2)



## DYNAMICS EQUATION

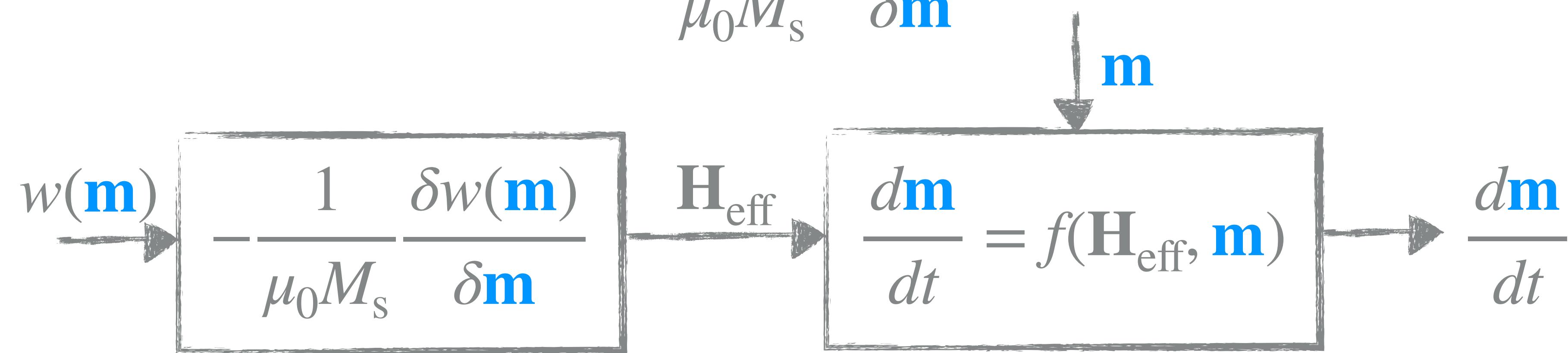
- ...tells us how magnetisation  $\mathbf{m}$  wants to change in order to minimise its energy.

$$\frac{d\mathbf{m}}{dt} = f_1(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{H}_{\text{eff}}, \dots) + f_2(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{H}_{\text{eff}}, \dots) + \dots = \sum_i f_i(\mathbf{m}, \mathbf{H}_{\text{eff}}, \dots)$$

user-defined

- Effective field is computed as the first variational derivative of energy density:

$$\mathbf{H}_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{1}{\mu_0 M_s} \frac{\delta w(\mathbf{m})}{\delta \mathbf{m}}$$

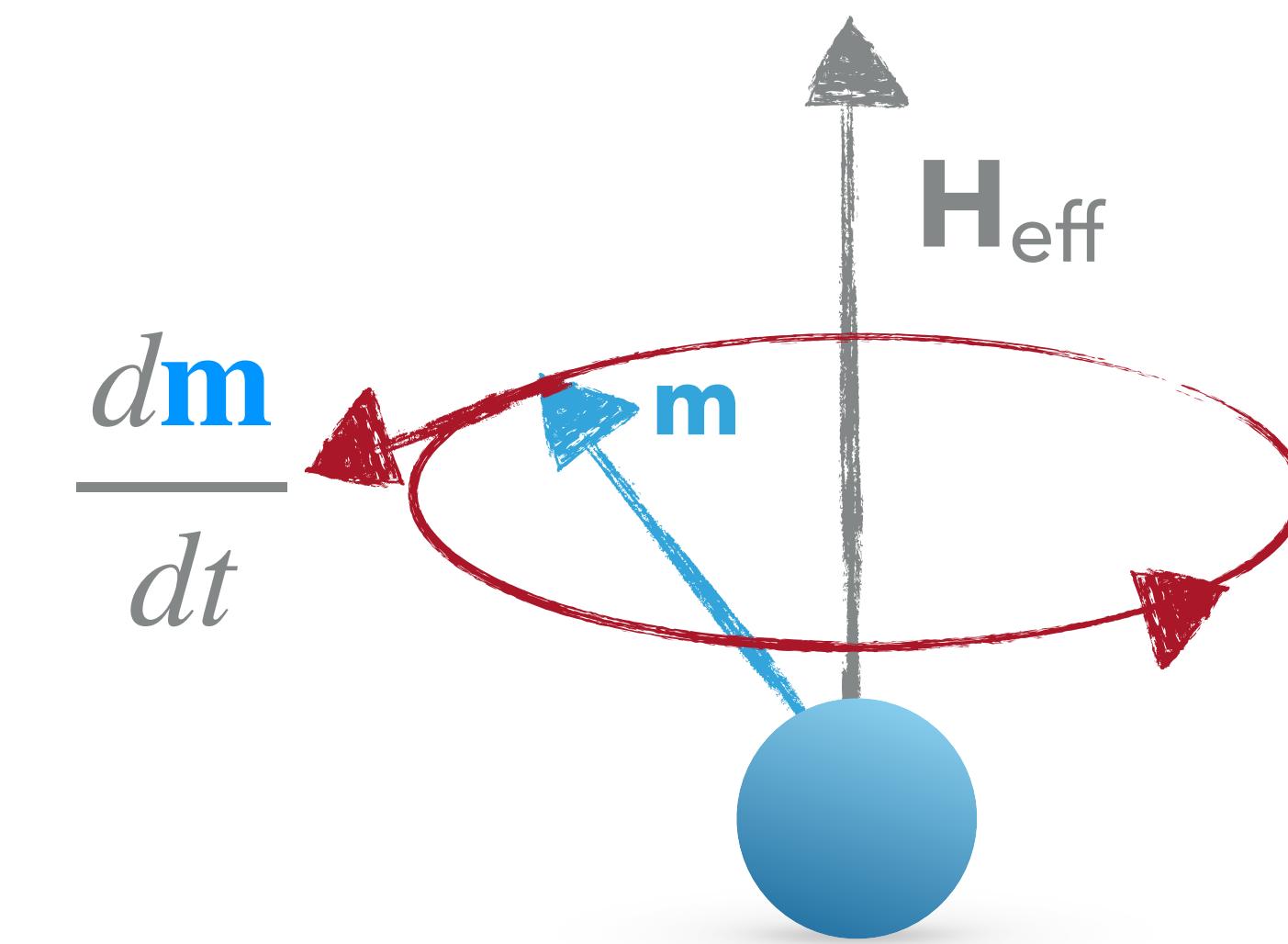
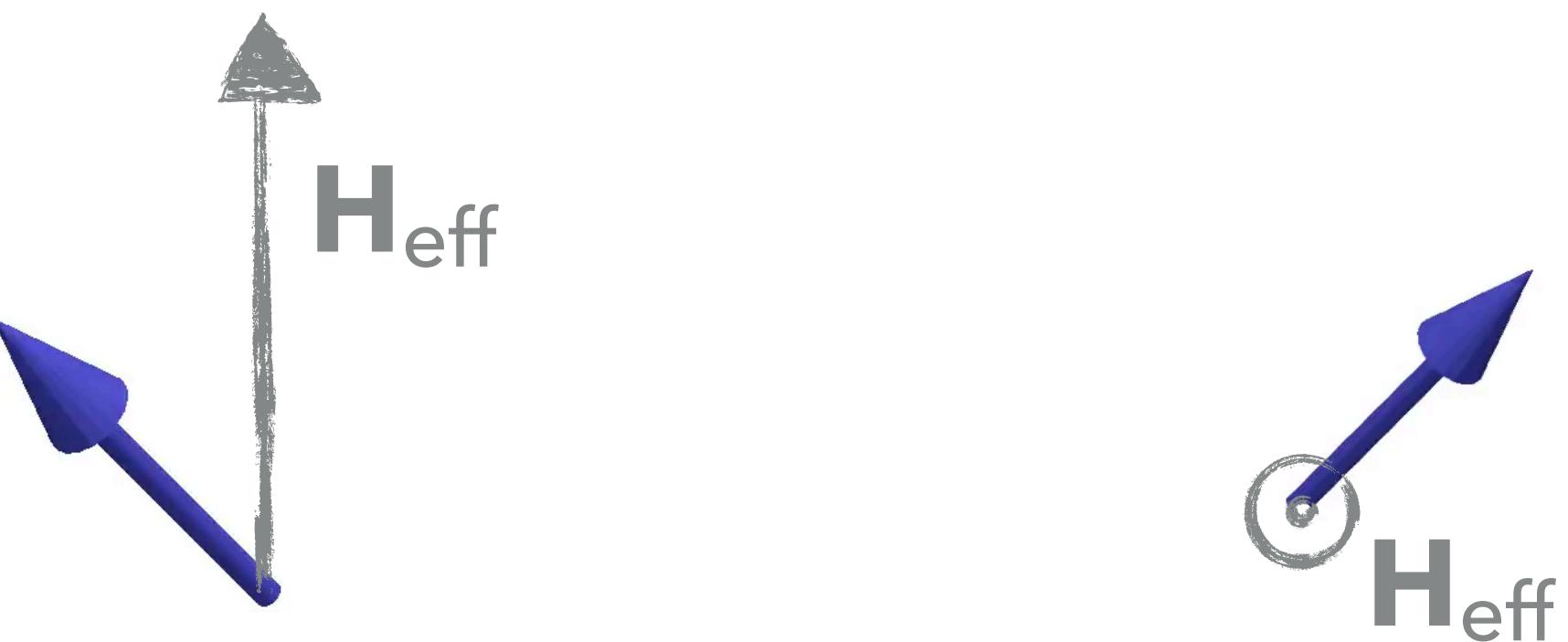


## PRECESSION

- ▶ Makes  $\mathbf{m}$  precess around  $\mathbf{H}_{\text{eff}}$ .
- ▶ Parameter:  $\gamma_0$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{m}}{dt} = -\gamma_0 \mathbf{m} \times \mathbf{H}_{\text{eff}} \quad (\gamma_0 = \mu_0 \gamma)$$

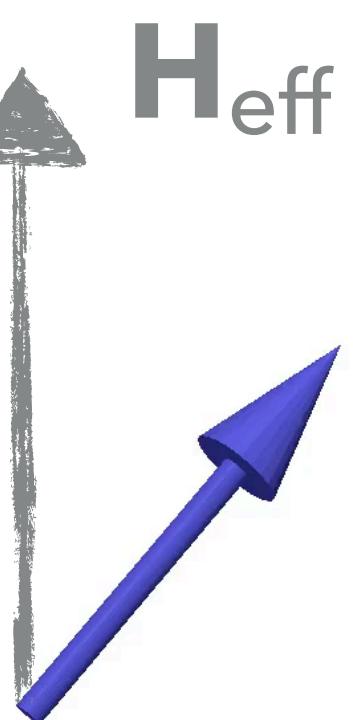
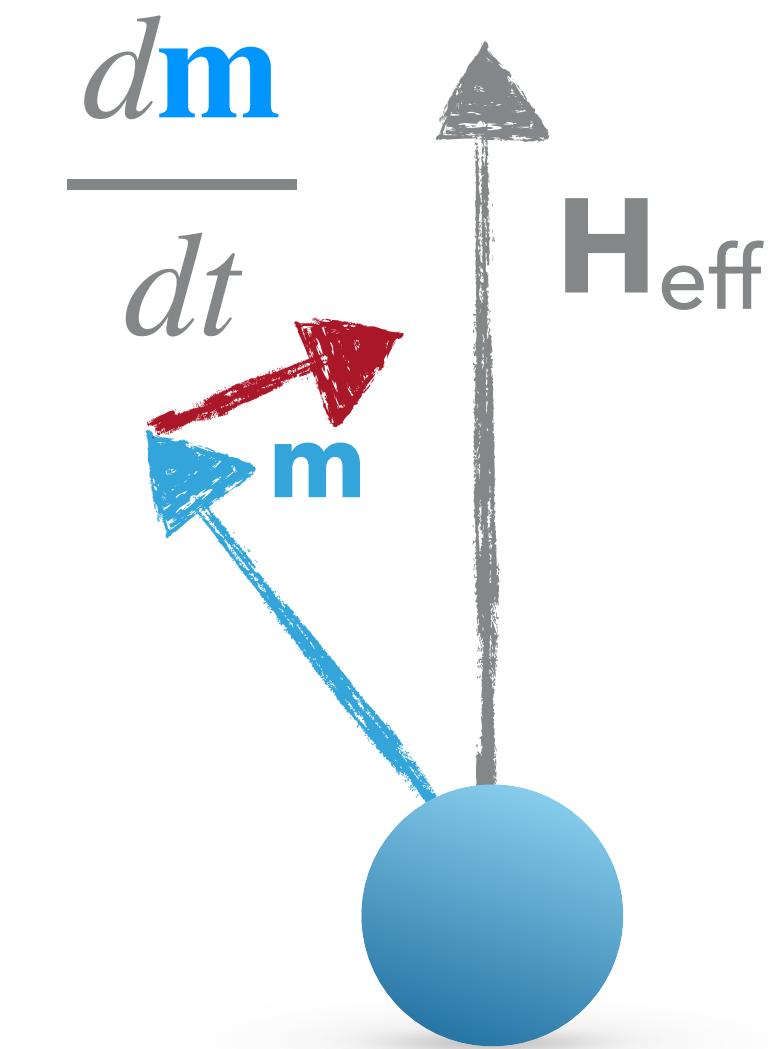
Parameter in  
Ubermag is  $\gamma_0$ ,  
not  $\gamma$ .



## GILBERT DAMPING

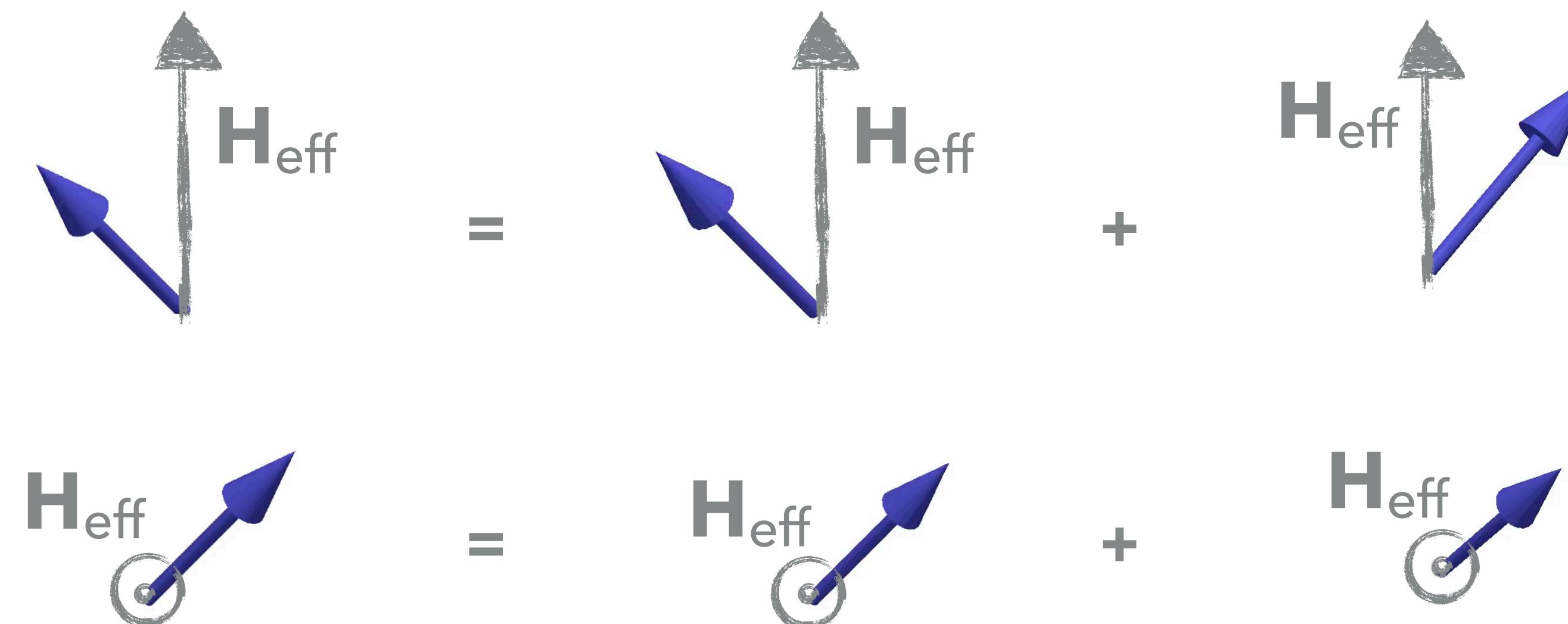
- ▶ Makes  $\mathbf{m}$  align with  $\mathbf{H}_{\text{eff}}$ .
- ▶ Parameter:  $\alpha$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{m}}{dt} = \alpha \left( \mathbf{m} \times \frac{d\mathbf{m}}{dt} \right) \quad (\alpha > 0)$$

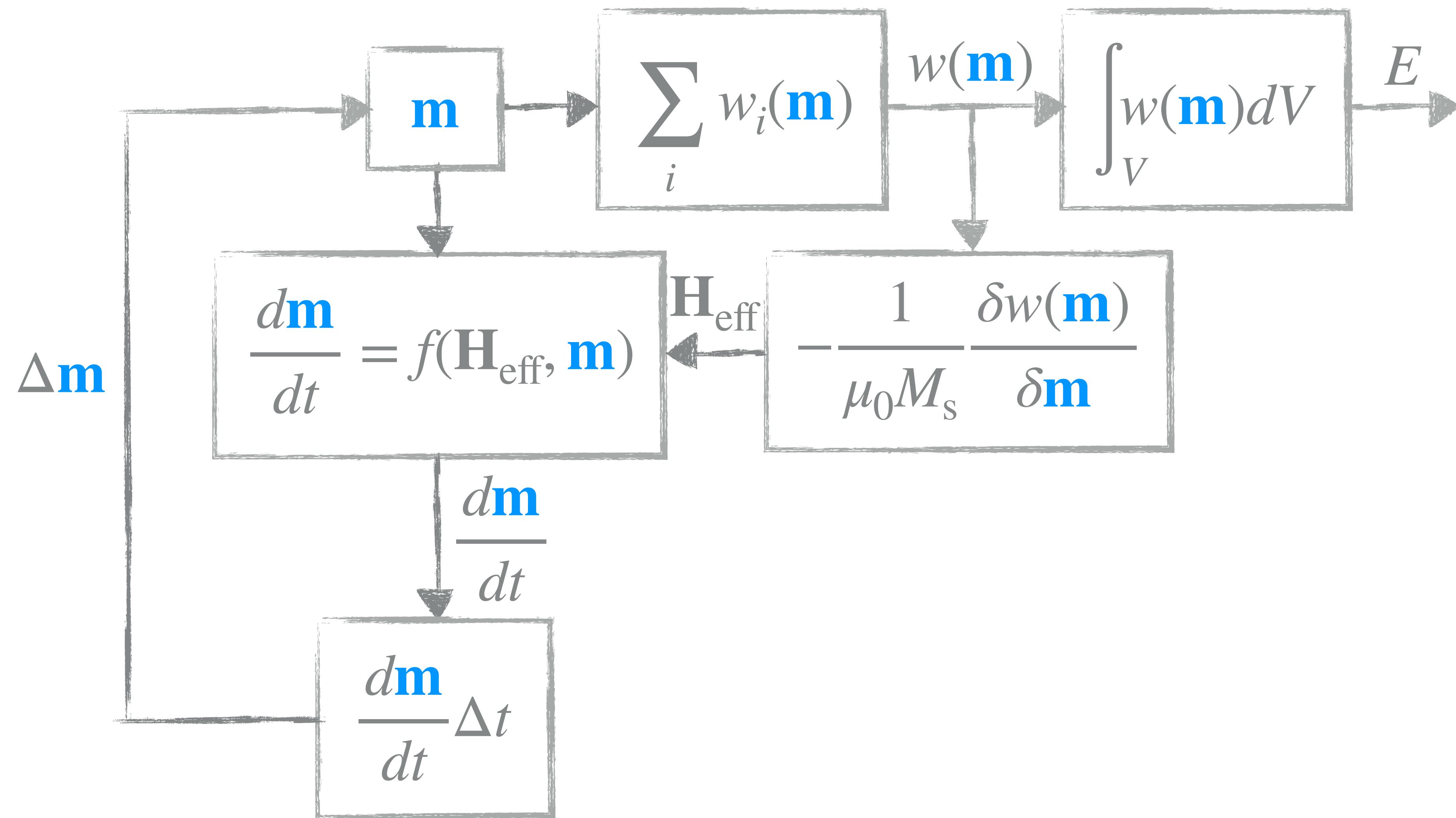


## LANDAU-LIFSCHITZ-GILBERT EQUATION

$$\frac{d\mathbf{m}}{dt} = -\gamma_0 \mathbf{m} \times \mathbf{H}_{\text{eff}} + \alpha \left( \mathbf{m} \times \frac{d\mathbf{m}}{dt} \right)$$
$$\frac{d\mathbf{m}}{dt} = -\frac{\gamma_0}{1 + \alpha^2} \mathbf{m} \times \mathbf{H}_{\text{eff}} - \frac{\gamma_0 \alpha}{1 + \alpha^2} \mathbf{m} \times (\mathbf{m} \times \mathbf{H}_{\text{eff}})$$



## (OVERSIMPLIFIED) MICROMAGNETIC SIMULATOR





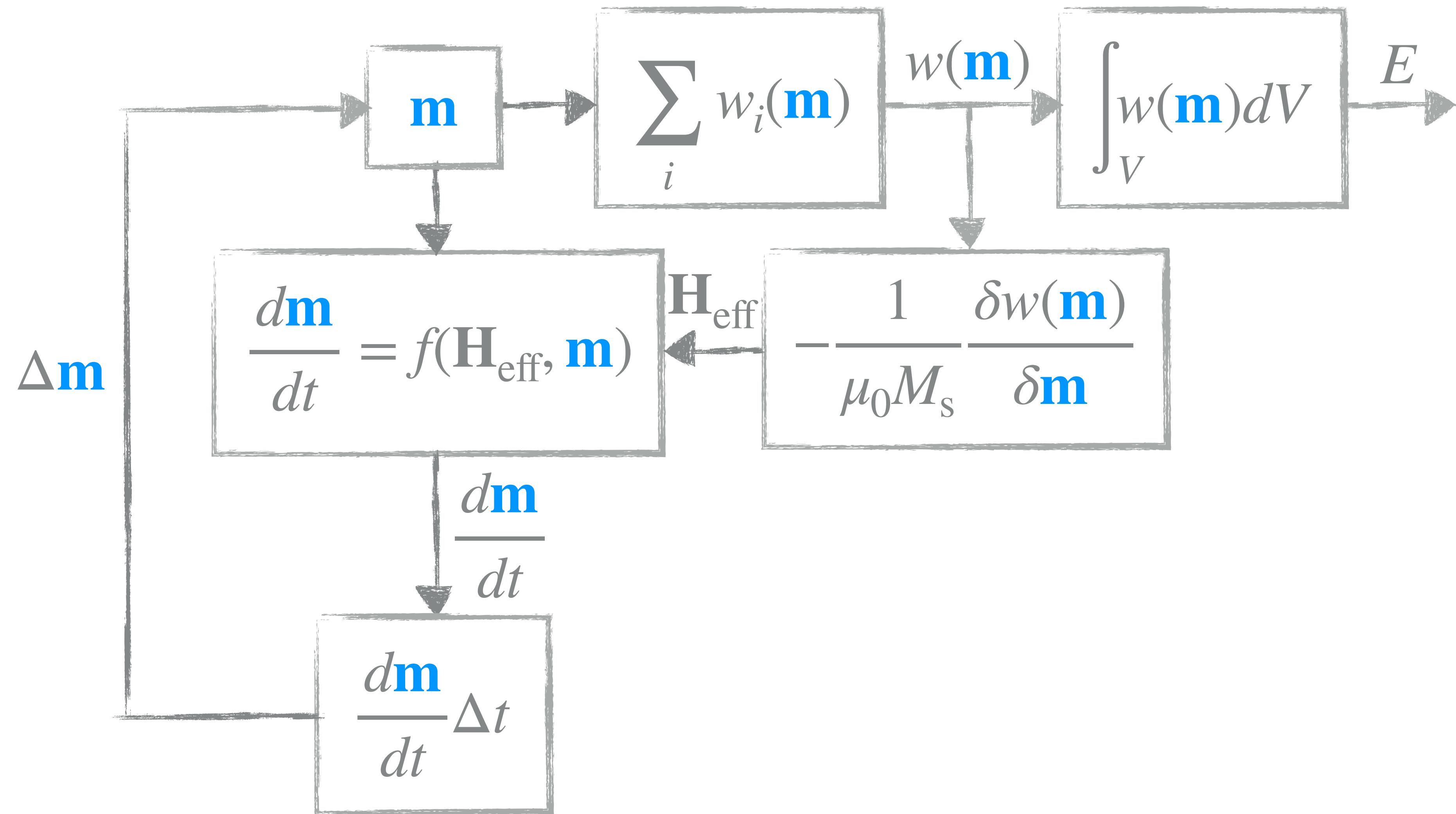
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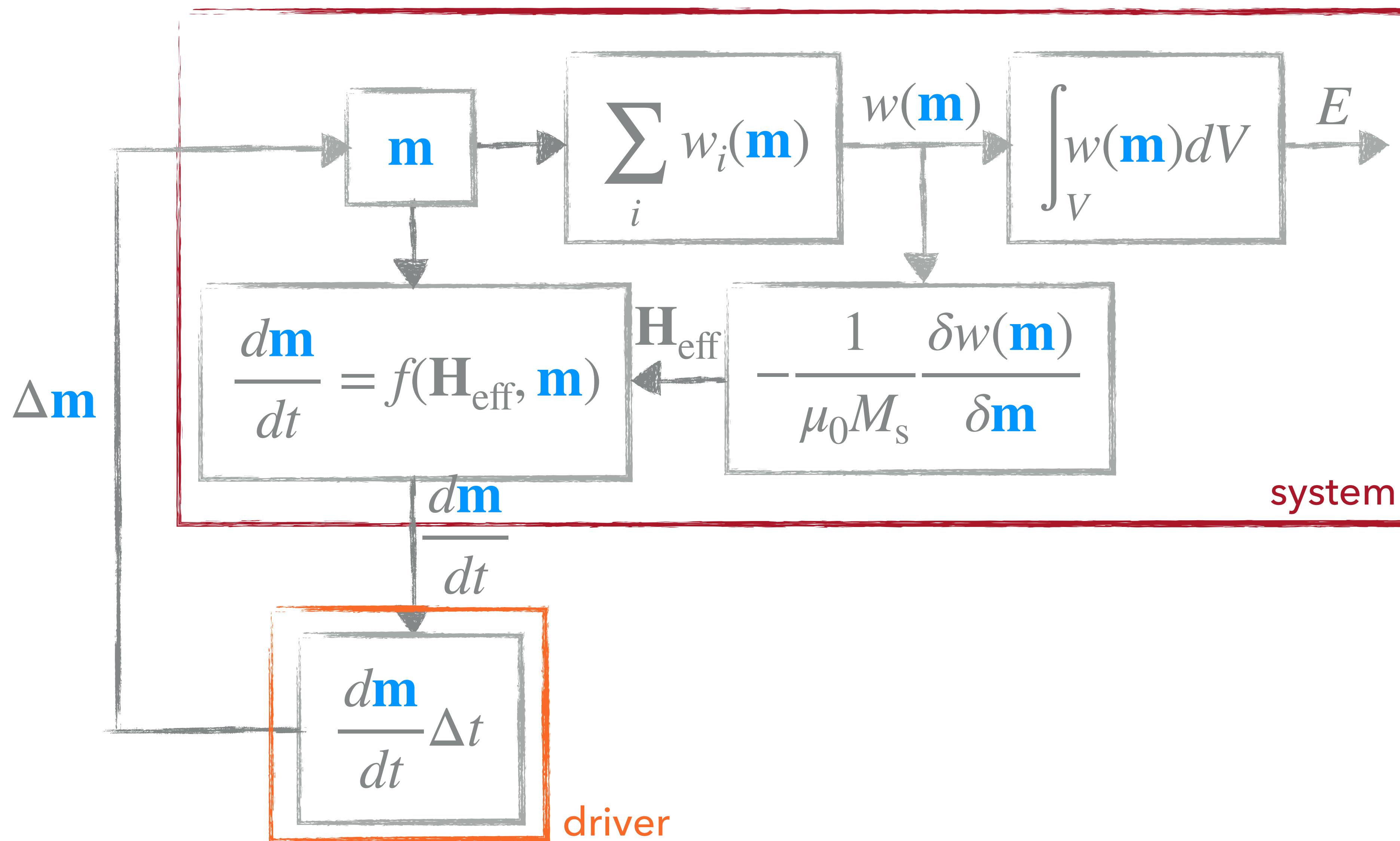
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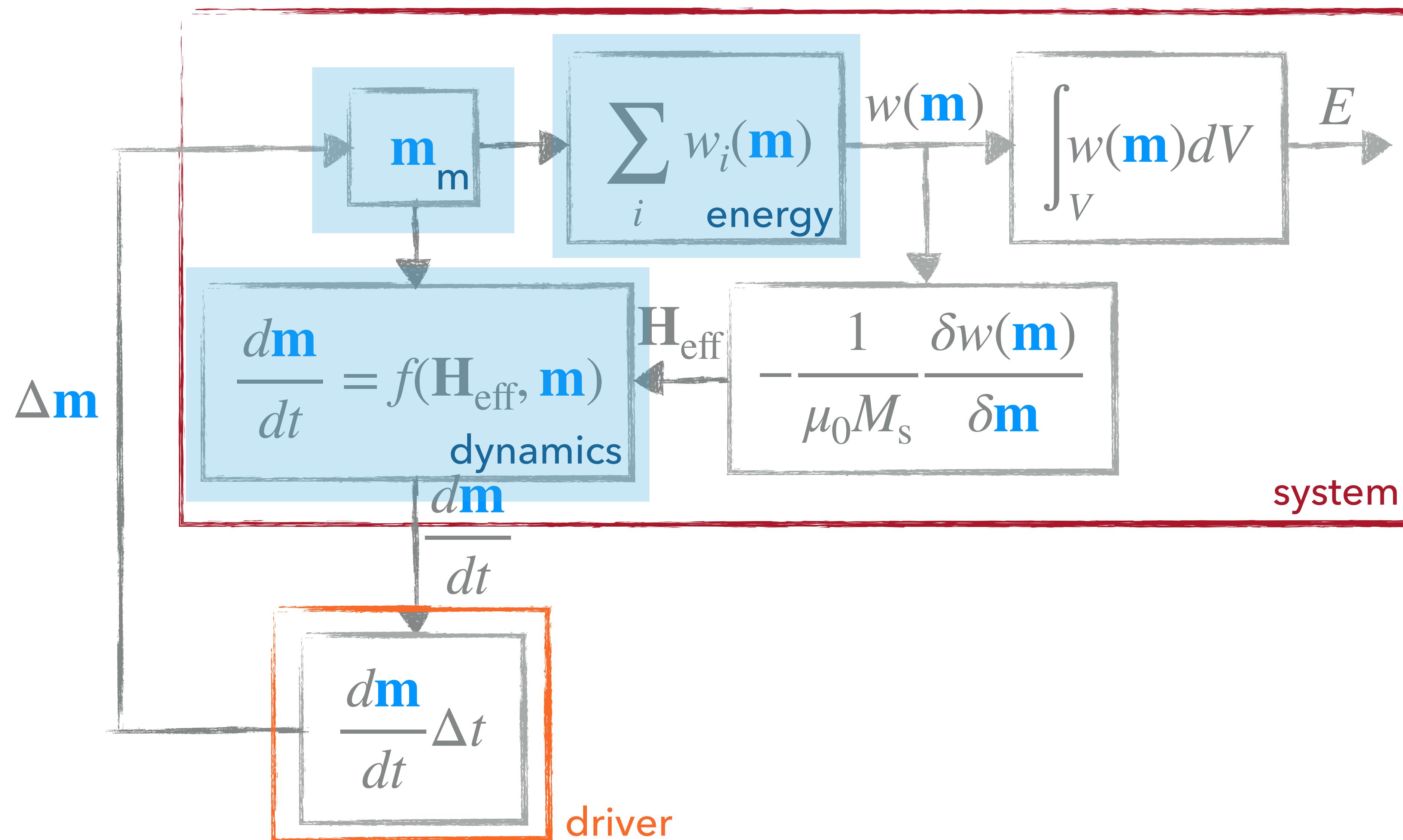
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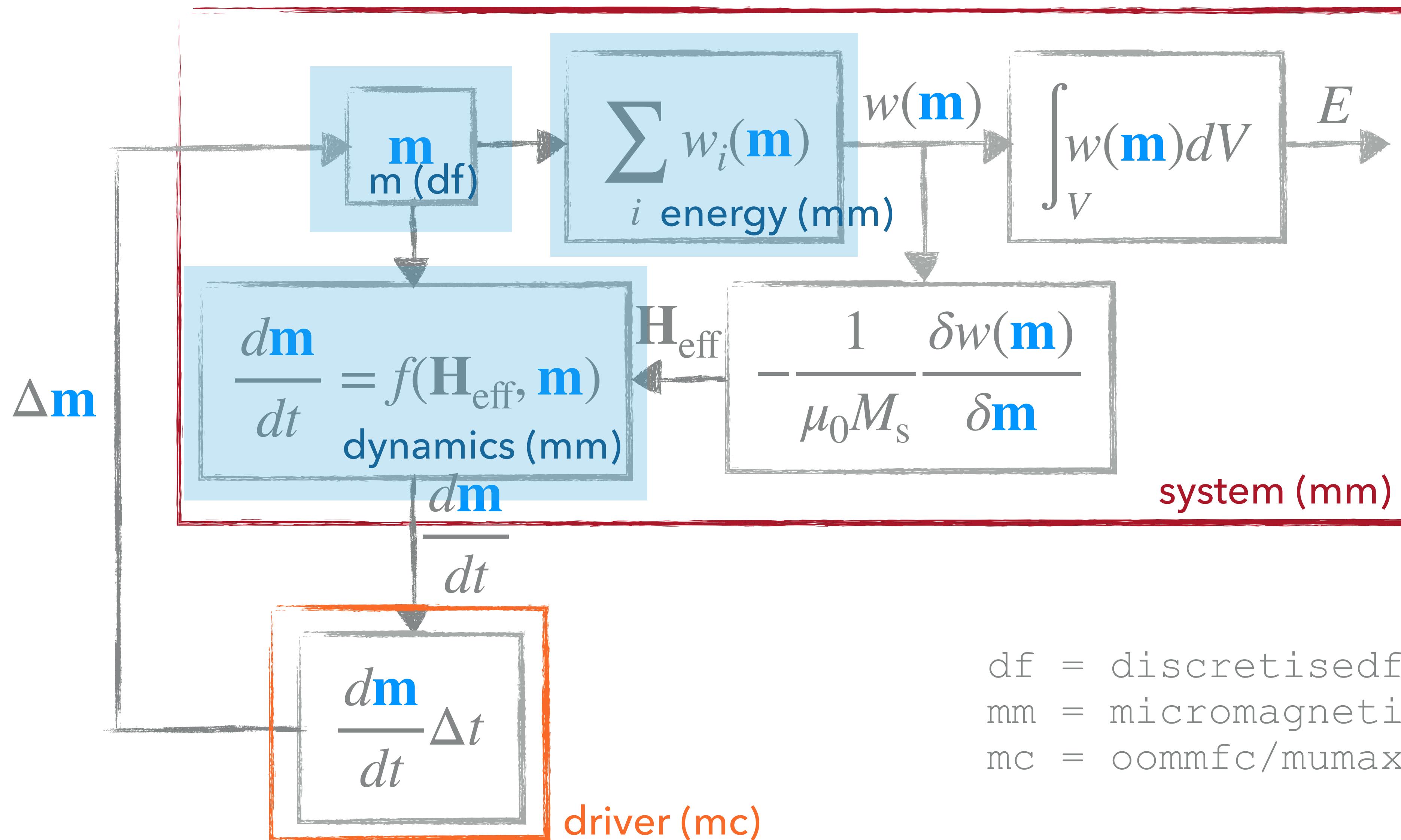
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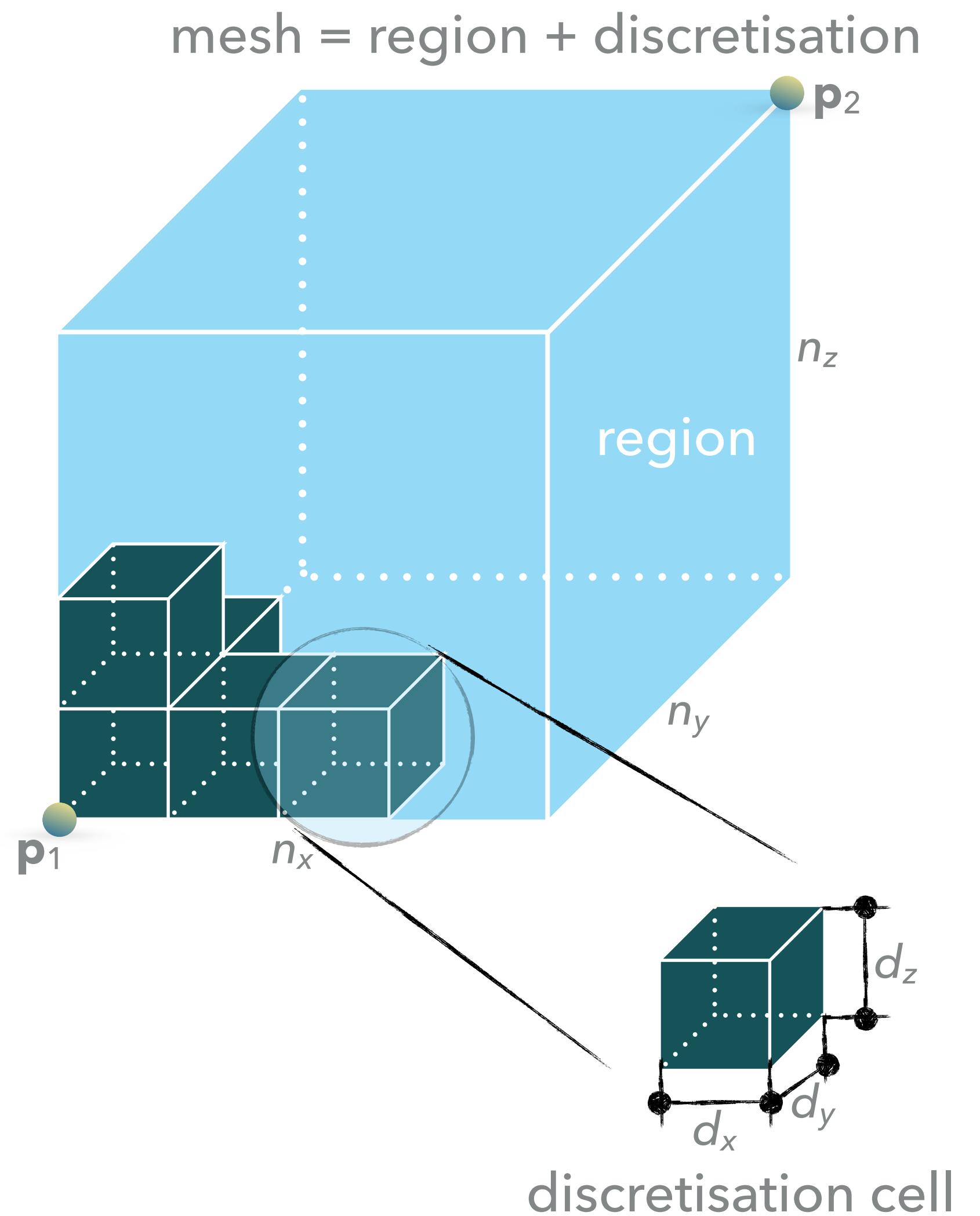


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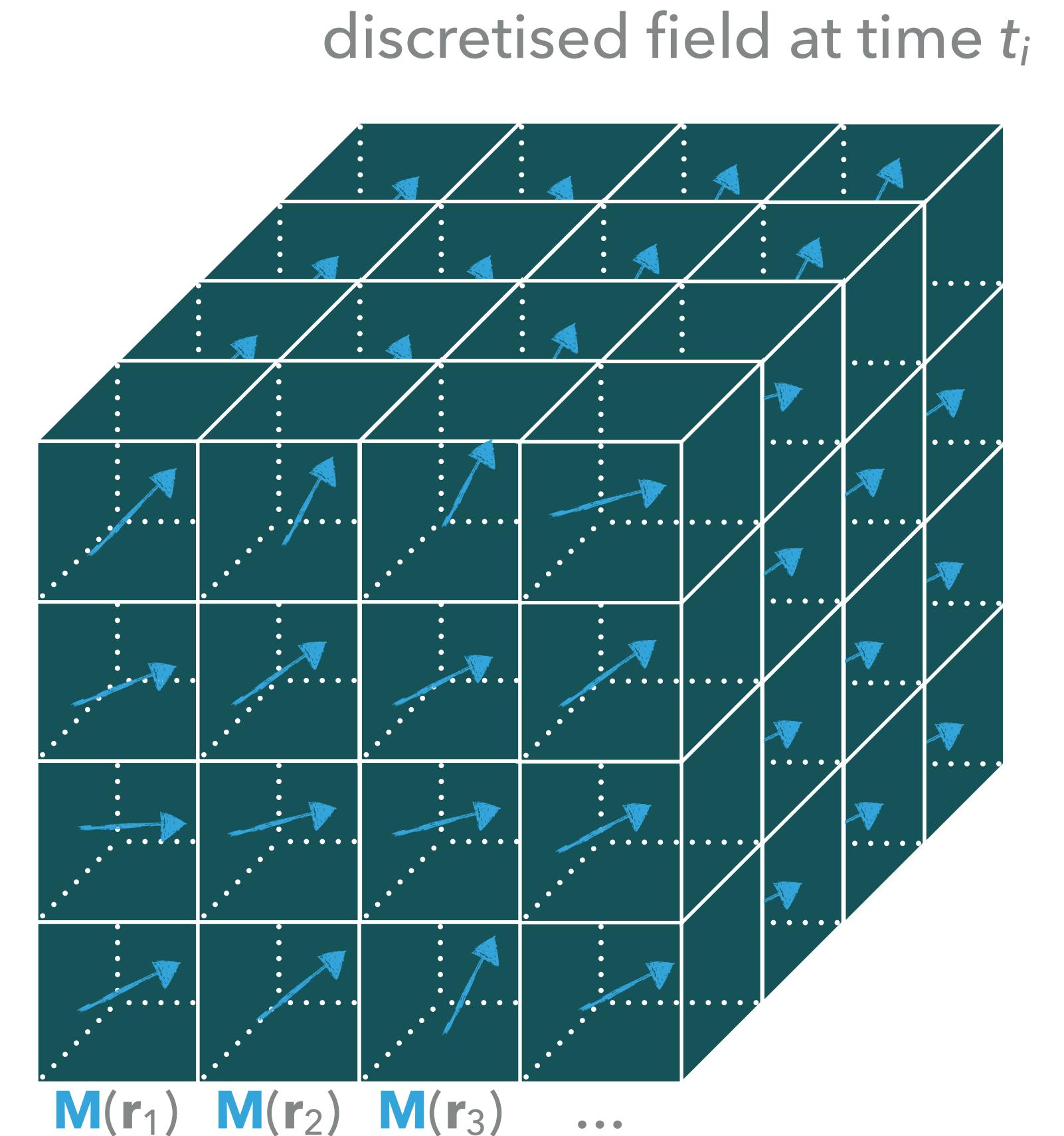
## DEFINING MAGNETISATION FIELD 1/2

- ▶ Ubermag package: `discretisedfield`
  - ▶ `import discretisedfield as df`
- ▶ **Region** defines the domain in three-dimensional space.
  - ▶ `region = df.Region(p1=(...), p2=(...))`
- ▶ **Mesh** discretises the region
  - ▶ Either discretisation **cell size or the number of cells** can be defined.
  - ▶ `mesh = df.Mesh(region=region, cell=(...))` or
  - ▶ `mesh = df.Mesh(region=region, n=(...))`



## DEFINING MAGNETISATION FIELD 2/2

- ▶ Ubermag package: `discretisedfield`
  - ▶ `import discretisedfield as df`
- ▶ **Field** defines a value at all discretisation cells.
  - ▶ `m = df.Field(mesh=mesh, dim=..., value=..., norm=...)`
- ▶ **Parameters** are:
  1. `mesh (df.Mesh)`
  2. `dim: dimension of the value (int)`
  3. `value: field value (int, iterable, callable)`
  4. `norm: vector field norm (int, callable)`



## DEFINING SYSTEM OBJECT

- ▶ Ubermag package: micromagneticmodel
  - ▶ `import micromagneticmodel as mm`
- ▶ First, we define the **system object**:
  - ▶ `system = mm.System(name='my_system_name')`
- ▶ After that, we define:
  - ▶ `system.m = m # the field we defined on previous slide`
  - ▶ `system.energy = .... # the sum of individual energy terms`
  - ▶ `system.dynamics = ... # the sum of individual dynamics terms`

## ENERGY EQUATION

- ▶ Energy equation is a **part of the system object**.
- ▶ The system class and energy term classes are a part of `micromagneticmodel` package.
  - ▶ `import micromagneticmodel as mm`
- ▶ First the **system object** is defined
  - ▶ `system = mm.System(name="system_name")`
- ▶ Then, energy equation is defined
  - ▶ `system.energy = mm.Exchange(A=1e-12) + mm.Demag()`

## OVERVIEW OF ENERGY TERMS WE INTRODUCED SO FAR

name	parameters	class	comments
Zeeman	$\mathbf{H}$ (A/m)	mm.Zeeman	parameter is $\mathbf{H}$ not $\mathbf{B}$
uniaxial anisotropy	$K$ (J/m <sup>3</sup> ), $\mathbf{u}$	mm.UniaxialAnisotropy	sign of $K$ , $ \mathbf{u} =1$
exchange	$A$ (J/m)	mm.Exchange	$A < 0$ not justified
DMI (T, O)	$D$ (J/m <sup>2</sup> ), crystal class	mm.DMI	sign of $D$
DMI ( $C_{nv}$ )	$D$ (J/m <sup>2</sup> ), crystal class	mm.DMI	sign of $D$
cubic anisotropy	$K$ (J/m <sup>3</sup> ), $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2$	mm.CubicAnisotropy	sign of $K$ , $ \mathbf{u}_i =1$
demagnetisation	None	mm.Demag	None

## DYNAMICS EQUATION

- ▶ Dynamics equation is a part of the system object.
- ▶ The system class and dynamics term classes are a part of `micromagneticmodel` package.
  - ▶ `import micromagneticmodel as mm`
- ▶ First the system object is defined
  - ▶ `system = mm.System(name="system_name")`
- ▶ Then, energy equation is defined
  - ▶ `system.dynamics = Precession(gamma0=.....) + mm.Damping(alpha=...)`

## OVERVIEW OF DYNAMICS TERMS WE INTRODUCED SO FAR

name	parameters	class	comments
precession	$\gamma_0$	mm.Precession	parameter is $\gamma_0$ not $\gamma$
damping	$\alpha$	mm.Damping	$\alpha > 0$

# DRIVERS

- ▶ There are two main types of drivers and they are a **part of a specific micromagnetic calculator**
  - ▶ `import oommfc as mc`
- ▶ **Minimisation driver**
  - ▶ iterates until  $\mathbf{m} \times \mathbf{H}_{\text{eff}} = 0$
  - ▶ `md = oc.MinDriver()`
- ▶ **Time driver**
  - ▶ iterates until the maximum time is reached
  - ▶ `td = oc.TimeDriver()`
- ▶ After the driver is defined, it is applied to the system object using **drive method**
  - ▶ `td.drive(system)`