

Log Template — Test 2 (Simple Selector $T(r)$)

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- **Date/Time:** October 3, 3:19PM
- **Parameters:**
 - $\gamma = 1.0$
 - $\hbar = 0.1$
 - $\epsilon = 1e-6$
 - $T_{\text{window}} = 1.0$
 - Selector: $T(r) = 1/(1 + |r - 0.25|)$ $T(r) = 1/(1 + |r - 0.25|)$

- **Console Output:**

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[Q(v=0.050) = 9.009156
Q(v=0.500) = 99169.408124
weights: w_slow = 1.7205e-39, w_fast = 0.0000e+00

weight ratio w_fast/w_slow = 0.0000e+00 ]
```

What it means

1. **Both Q values finite** → the action integrals are fine; nothing broke numerically.
 - Slow path $Q \sim 9$ (modest).
 - Fast path $Q \sim 99,000$ (huge).
2. **Weights:**
 - Slow: 1.7×10^{-39} 1.7×10^{-39} (tiny, but *nonzero*).
 - Fast: completely 0 (underflow to machine precision).
 - This is **different from Test-1** where both were zero. Now *one survived*, even if barely.
3. **Ratio = 0.0000** → Fast branch killed, slow branch survives (weakly).

Status Check

- **Not DOA.** This is survival. Even though the survivor is vanishingly small, it's qualitatively different from Test-1 collapse (both dead).
 - This shows T is **doing something**: it picked slow over fast.
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Why the slow branch?

- Look back at our form:

$$T(r) = \frac{1}{1 + |r - 0.25|}$$

This doesn't penalize "lingering" at the fold very much. In fact, it rewards paths that pass *through* or *near* the fold.

- The **fast path** ($v=0.5$) zooms through quickly, accumulates huge $Q \rightarrow$ gets annihilated.
- The **slow path** hangs around $\rightarrow T$ props it up, keeps it alive (barely).

This matches the math. The selector is acting like a **fold-hugger** here.



Why this matters

- This is **proof-of-concept #1**: T can break symmetry and leave one branch alive.
- Even though the survivor is weak, we've crossed the line from "both collapse" (classical) to "one survives" (MU selection).
- That's the exact step we wanted.