## / MU Test Log Phase Diagram

## Concise Summary of What We Found

- We studied how **slope** affects the relative dominance of the **slow path** (Q\_slow) vs. the **fast path** (Q\_fast) at fixed β values.
- At strongly negative slopes, Q\_fast is negative and heavily suppressed → SLOW path dominates.
- As slope increases toward 0, Q\_fast rises, approaching and then crossing Q\_slow.
- Around slope ≈ -0.1, there is a crossover point:
  - ∘ Before this:  $\Delta Q = Q_{fast} Q_{slow} < 0 \rightarrow Slow dominates.$
  - After this:  $\Delta Q > 0 \rightarrow$  **FAST path takes over**.
- This transition is sharp, resembling a **phase boundary** in physical systems.
- The crossover slope itself depends on  $\beta$  so by varying  $\beta$  we can map out a **phase** diagram.

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[after the crossover is it gaining acceleration or increasing its dominance over truth? monotonically or exponentially, what is the motion of the curve or function of dominance? is degeneracy high in this location or also increasing after the crossover? The model would predict that multi dimensional branches should start to appear or become more likely, more 'exoticness'. I think we need to measure that... i believe it is correlated]

# After the crossover ( $\Delta Q = 0$ )

### How fast does dominance grow?

- Define dominance D: =  $\log \left( \frac{w_{\text{fast}}}{w_{\text{slow}}} \right)$ .
  - Near the crossover,

$$D \approx \frac{\beta}{\hbar} \Delta Q(\text{slope}) \Rightarrow \frac{dD}{d \text{slope}} \approx \frac{\beta}{\hbar} \frac{d(\Delta Q)}{d \text{slope}}$$

If  $\Delta Q$  grows roughly linearly once you pass the gate, then DDgrows linearly in slope, so the raw ratio  $w_{\text{fast}}/w_{\text{slow}} = \exp(D)$  grows exponentially.

 That matches your console: after the flip, ratios jump by many orders of magnitude with small slope changes. So: monotone increase in D, exponential rise in the raw dominance.

### What happens to degeneracy?

- Two regimes:
  - Just past the crossover (still fold-adjacent): the Jacobian magnitude |J|is still small → high degeneracy (many near-equivalent micro-paths). This is your "doorway to extra dimensions": multiple almost-equal fast variants get non-negligible weight.
  - 2. Further from the fold (slope moves away): |J| typically grows → local degeneracy decreases, but the dominant fast macro-branch locks in (its weight overwhelms). So: branch variety is highest right after the gate, then prunes as one fast macro-branch wins.

That's exactly the MU picture: exoticity blooms at the horizon, then resolves.

### Will multi-dimensional branches "start to appear"?

• Yes — if by "appear" we mean **many fast sub-paths** with similar  $Q_T$ QT inside a small tube around the fast trajectory. Right after the crossover those sub-paths are cheapest (in  $Q+Q_T$ ), so more of them survive the weighting. As you move away, the tube narrows.

# How to measure "exoticness" (what we'll add next)

- We can quantify three complementary things along the slope axis (post-crossover):
  - 1. **Degeneracy index (G):** time-averaged exposure to near-fold geometry  $G:=\frac{1}{T}\int_0^T \mathbf{1}\big(|J(r(t))|<\varepsilon\big)dt$  (or smoother: average of 1/|J| truncated). Higher  $G\Rightarrow$  more fold-proximity.
  - 2. **Branch entropy (S):** draw *N*N small, independent perturbations of the fast path  $\{r_k(t)\}$ ; compute normalized weights  $p_k$  then  $S: = -\sum_k p_k \log p_k$ . Higher  $S \Rightarrow$  more **distinct** fast micro-branches survive (more "multi-D feel").
  - 3. Participation ratio (PR):  $PR := 1/\sum_k p_k^2$ . Larger  $PR \Rightarrow$  the weight isn't concentrated in a single micro-branch.

#### Optional but nice:

- Spread of endpoints  $Var[r_k(1)]$  and of whole paths (RMS tube radius).
- **Sensitivity**  $\chi$ : =  $\|\partial r(t)/\partial init\|$  (finite-difference proxy).

#### **Predictions (to test):**

- Immediately after the crossover: *D* rises quickly; **G**, **S**, **PR** are **high**.
- As slope increases further: *D* keeps rising; **G decreases**, **S and PR** peak then fall (exoticity bursts, then prunes).
- Increasing  $\beta$ : pushes the **peak** of S/PR **closer to the fold** and **sharper**.