

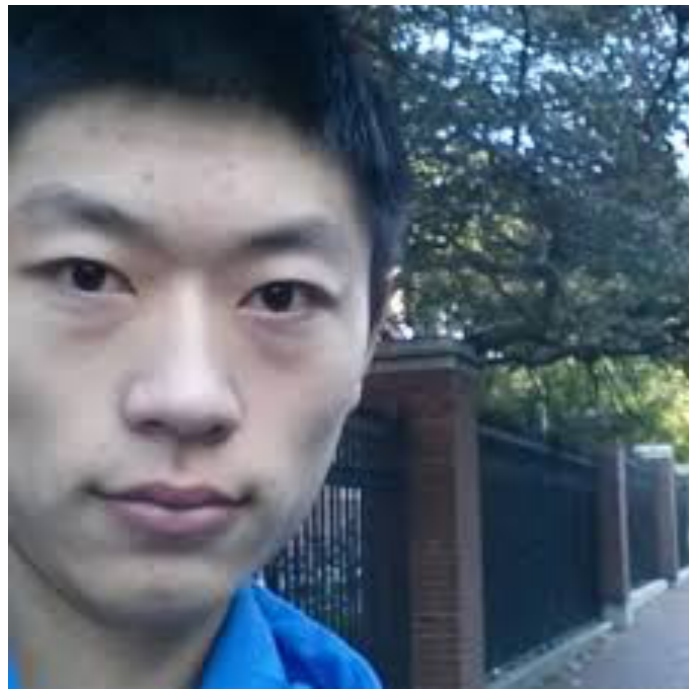
Building strange metals from SYK models

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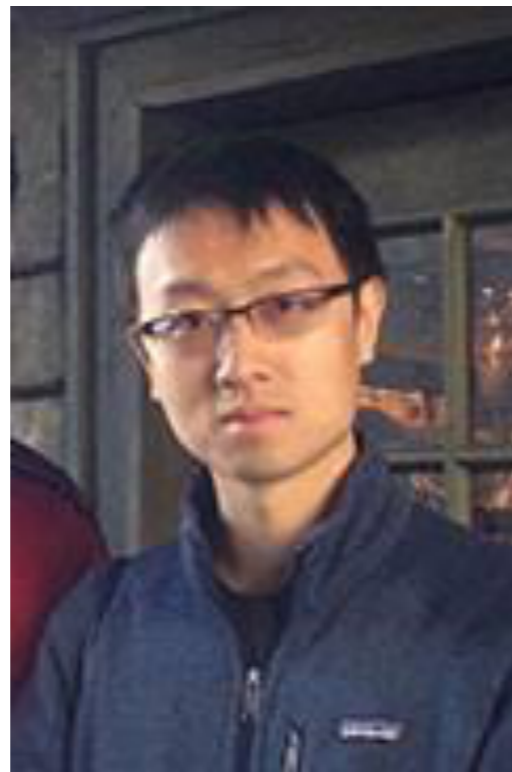
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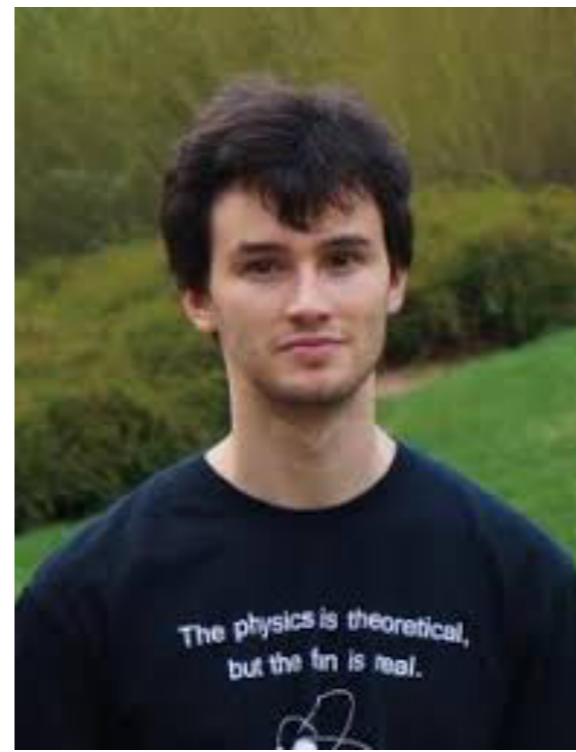




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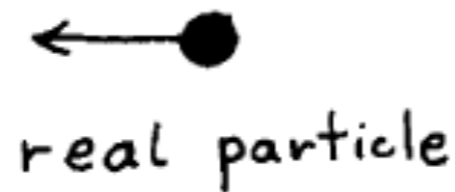


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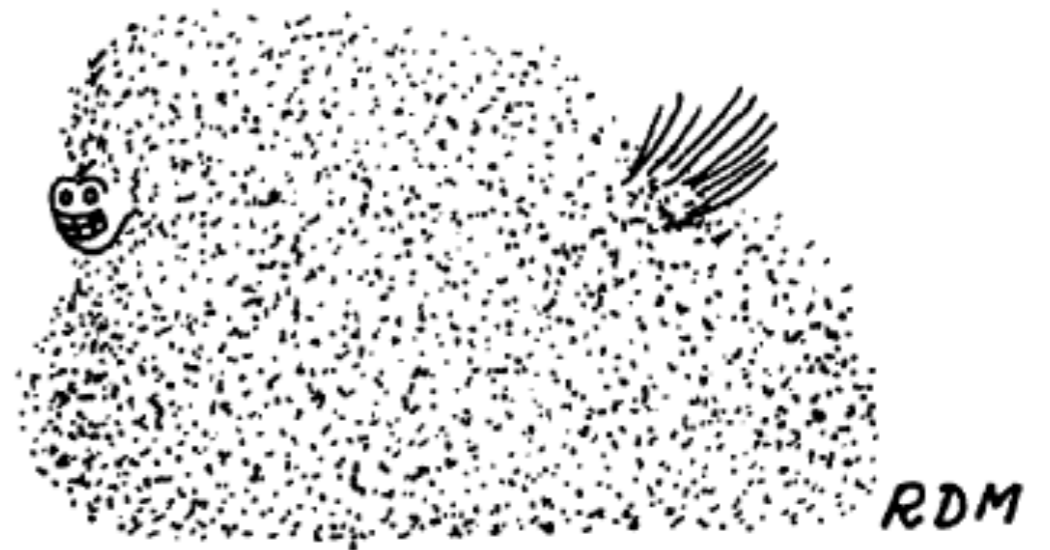
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Almost all many-electron systems are described by the quasiparticle concept: a quasiparticle is an “excited lump” in the many-electron state which responds just like an ordinary particle.



real horse



quasi horse

Quasiparticles are ubiquitous:

- Fermi liquid theory of metals, insulators, semiconductors
- Theory of superconductivity (pairing of quasiparticles)
- Theory of disordered metals and insulators (diffusion and localization of quasiparticles)
- Theory of metals in one dimension (collective modes as quasiparticles)
- Theory of the fractional quantum Hall effect (quasiparticles which are 'fractions' of an electron)

What are quasiparticles ?

- **Quasiparticles are additive excitations:**
The low-lying excitations of the many-body system can be identified as a set $\{n_\alpha\}$ of quasiparticles with energy ε_α

$$E = \sum_{\alpha} n_{\alpha} \varepsilon_{\alpha} + \sum_{\alpha, \beta} F_{\alpha\beta} n_{\alpha} n_{\beta} + \dots$$

In a lattice system of N sites, this parameterizes the energy of $\sim e^{\alpha N}$ states in terms of poly(N) numbers.

What are quasiparticles ?

- Quasiparticles eventually collide with each other. Such collisions eventually leads to thermal equilibration in a chaotic quantum state, but the equilibration takes a long time. In a Fermi liquid, this time diverges as

$$\tau_{\text{eq}} \sim \frac{\hbar E_F}{(k_B T)^2} \quad , \quad \text{as } T \rightarrow 0,$$

where E_F is the Fermi energy.

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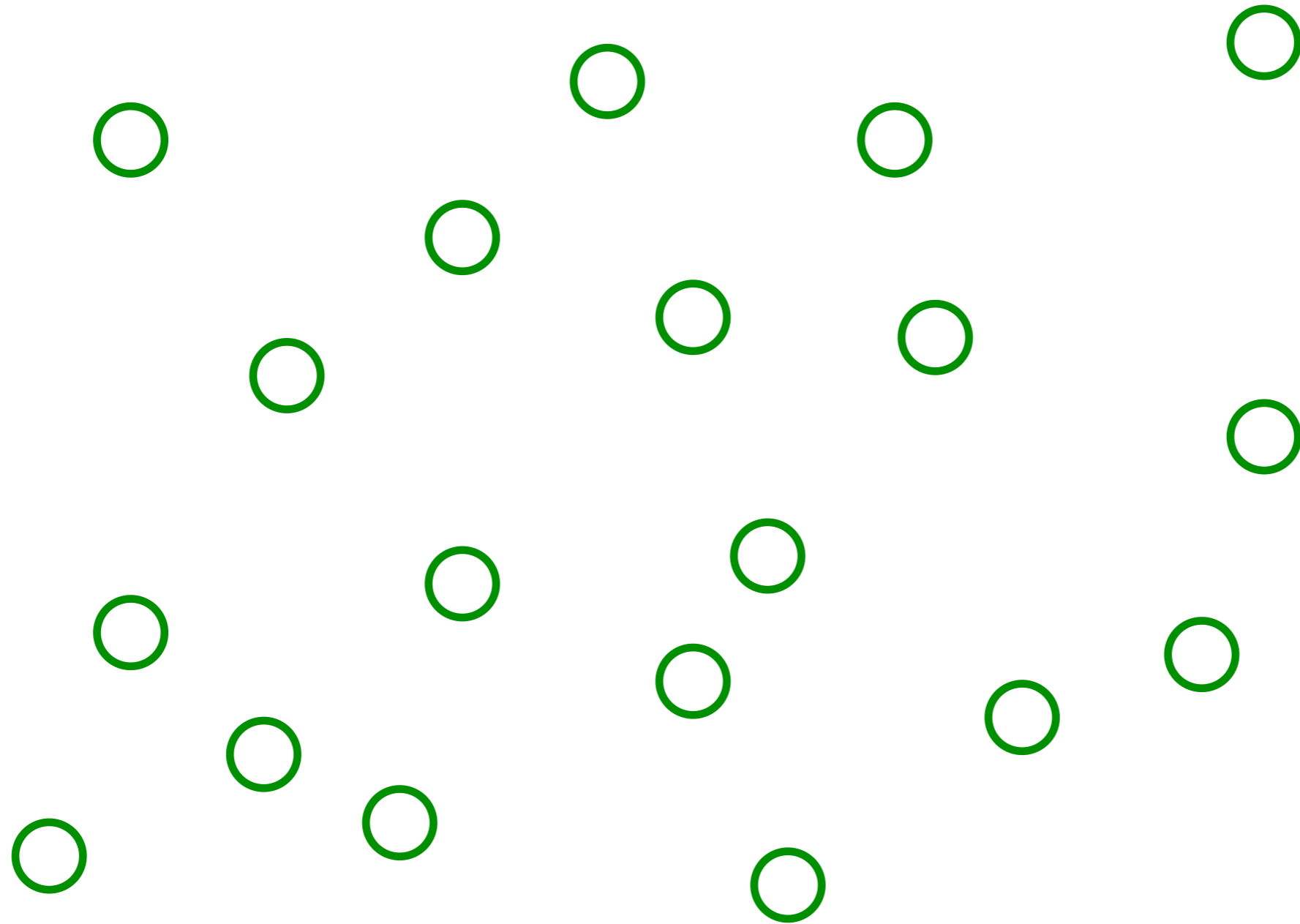
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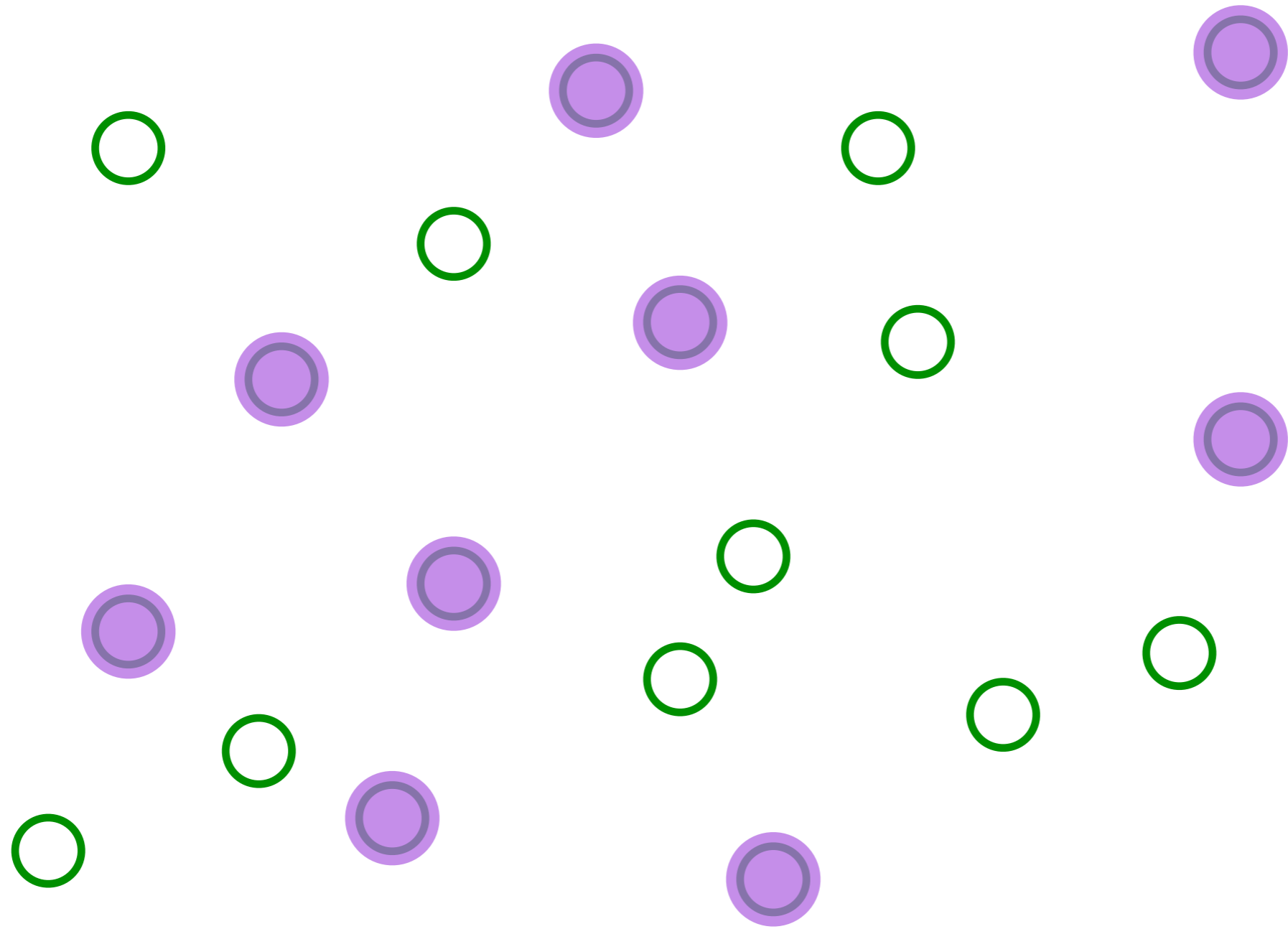
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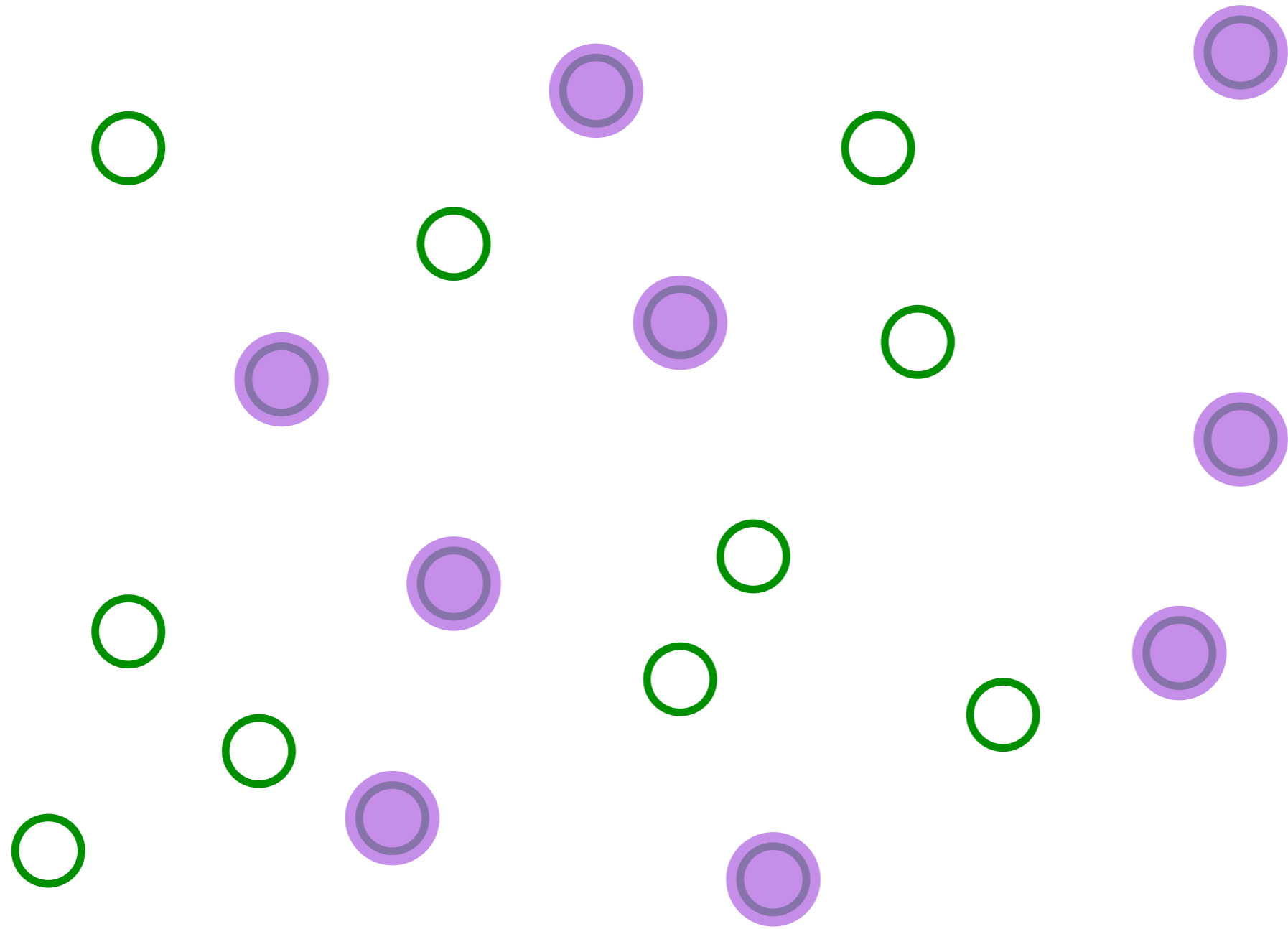
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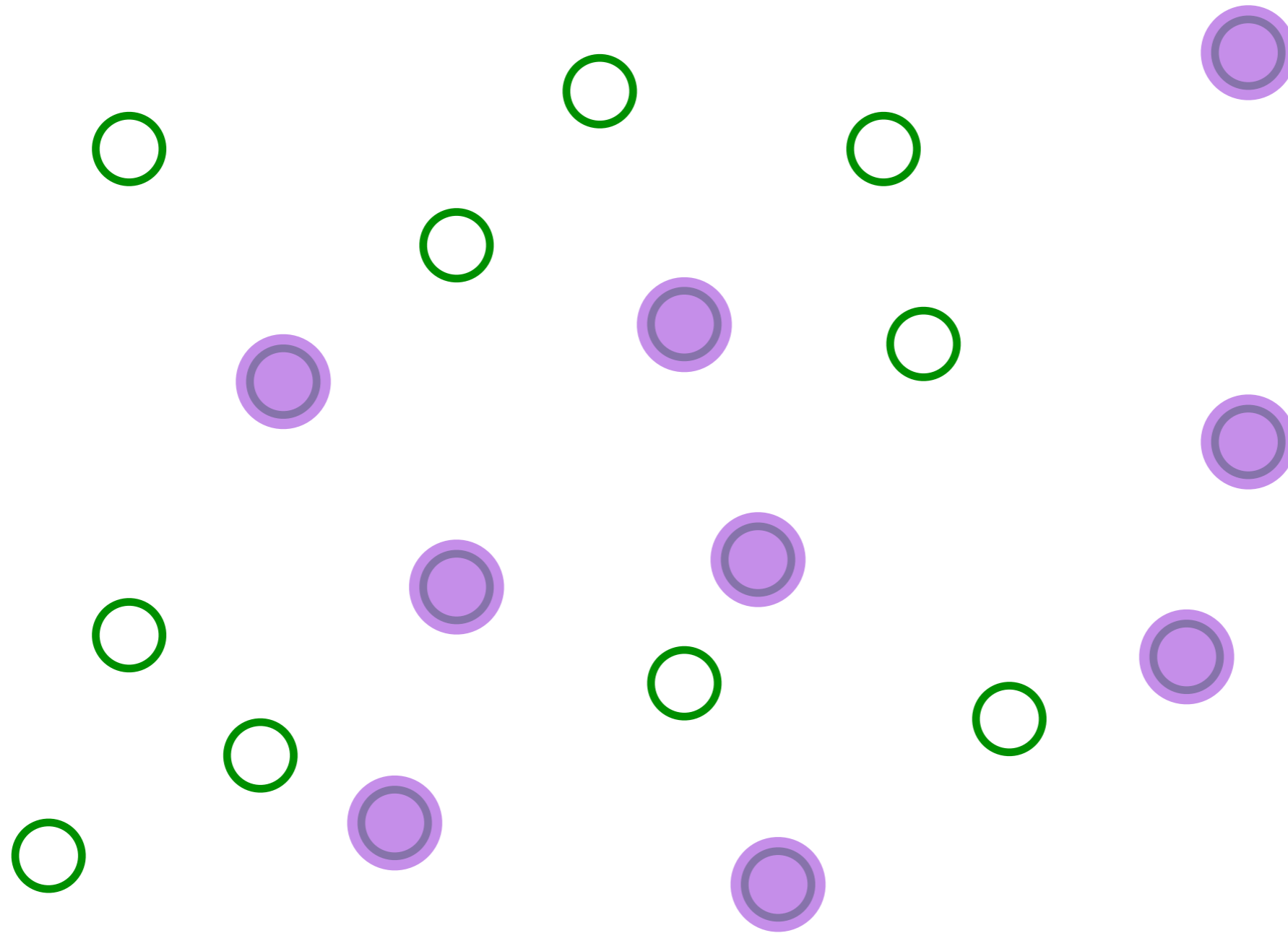
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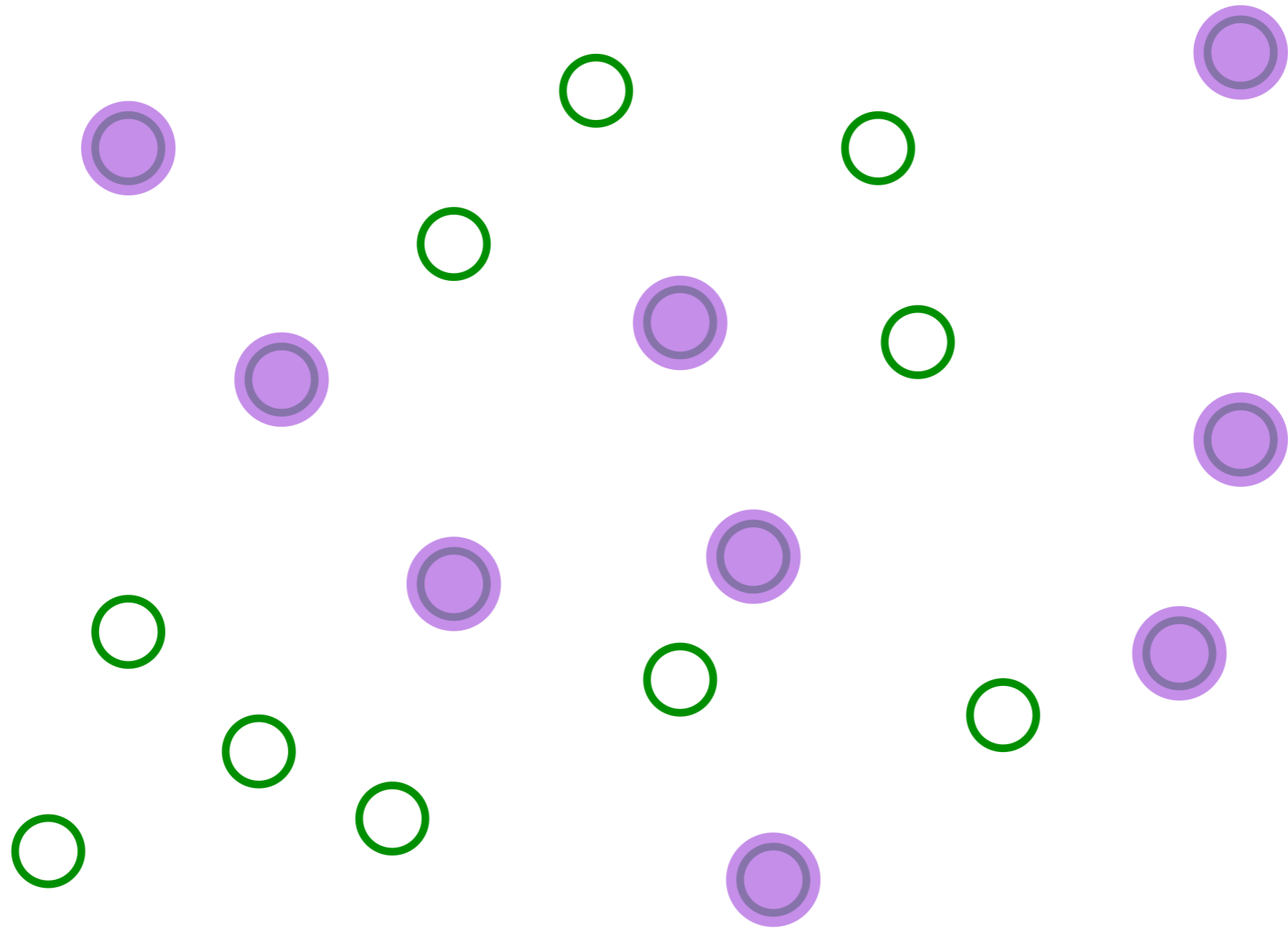
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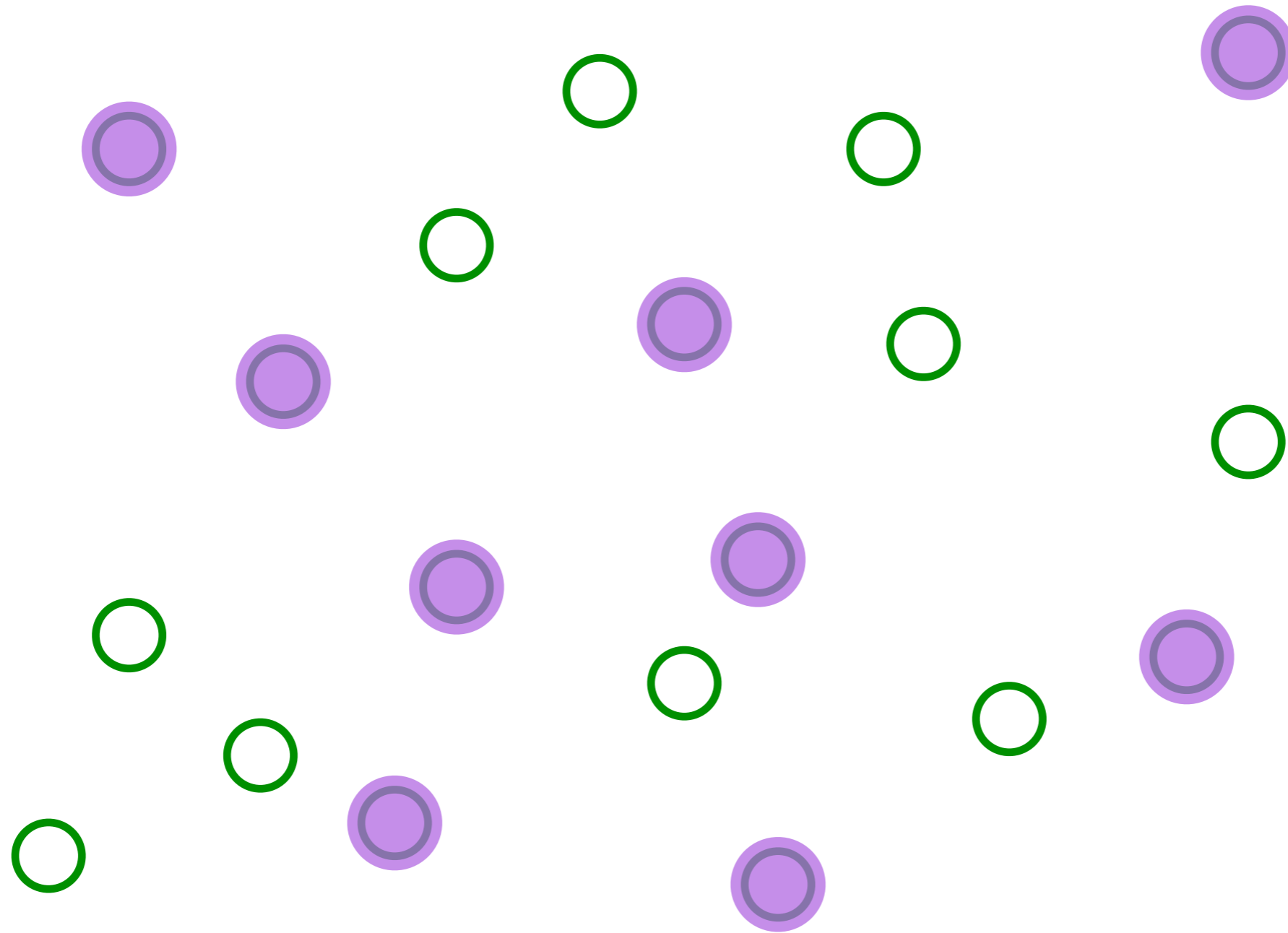
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$$c_i c_j + c_j c_i = 0 \quad , \quad c_i c_j^\dagger + c_j^\dagger c_i = \delta_{ij}$$

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_i c_i^\dagger c_i = Q$$

t_{ij} are independent random variables with $\overline{t_{ij}} = 0$ and $\overline{|t_{ij}|^2} = t^2$

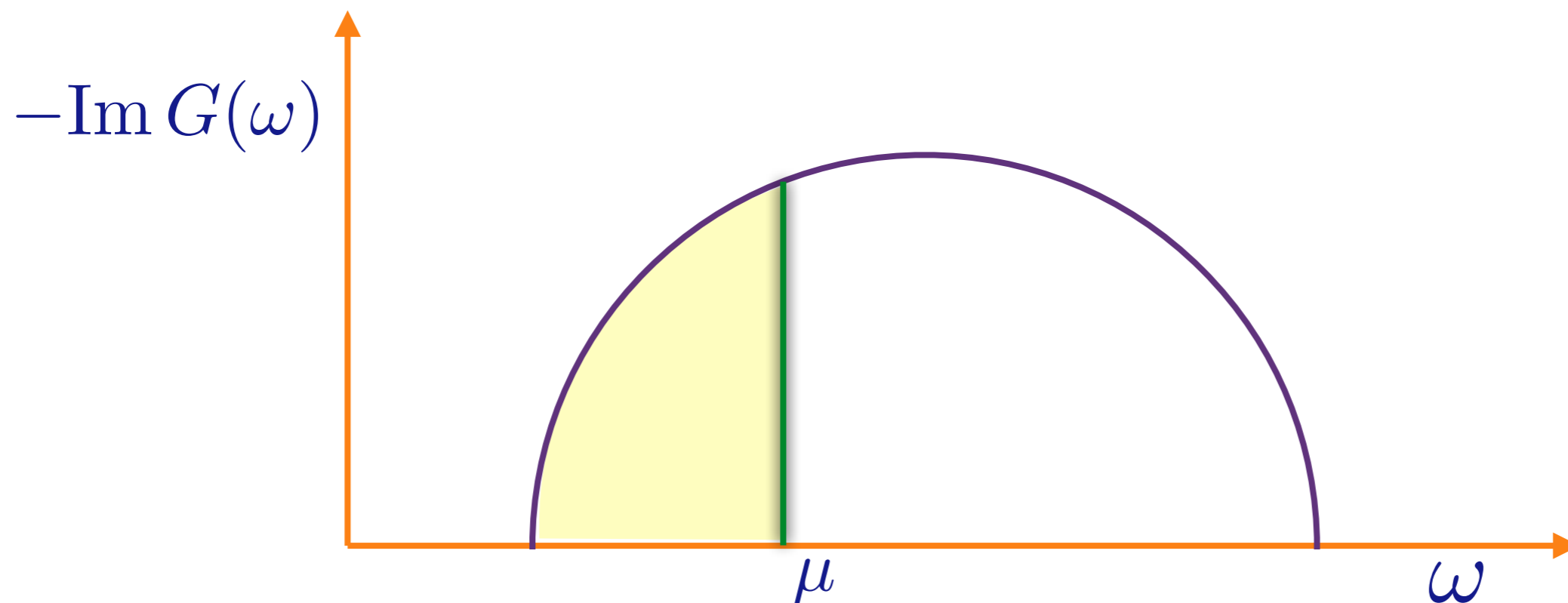
**Fermions occupying the eigenstates of a
 $N \times N$ random matrix**

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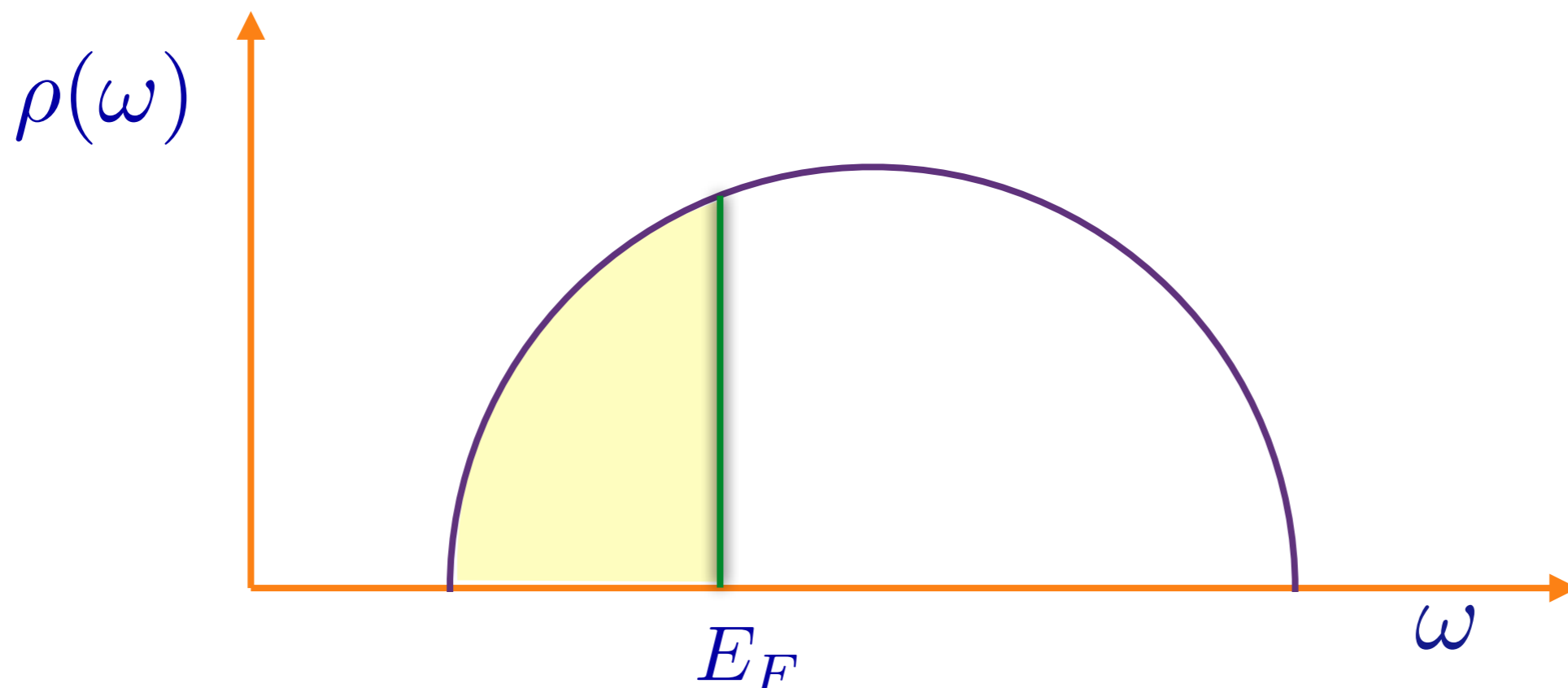
$$G(i\omega) = \frac{1}{i\omega + \mu - \Sigma(i\omega)} \quad , \quad \Sigma(\tau) = t^2 G(\tau)$$
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$G(\omega)$ can be determined by solving a quadratic equation.



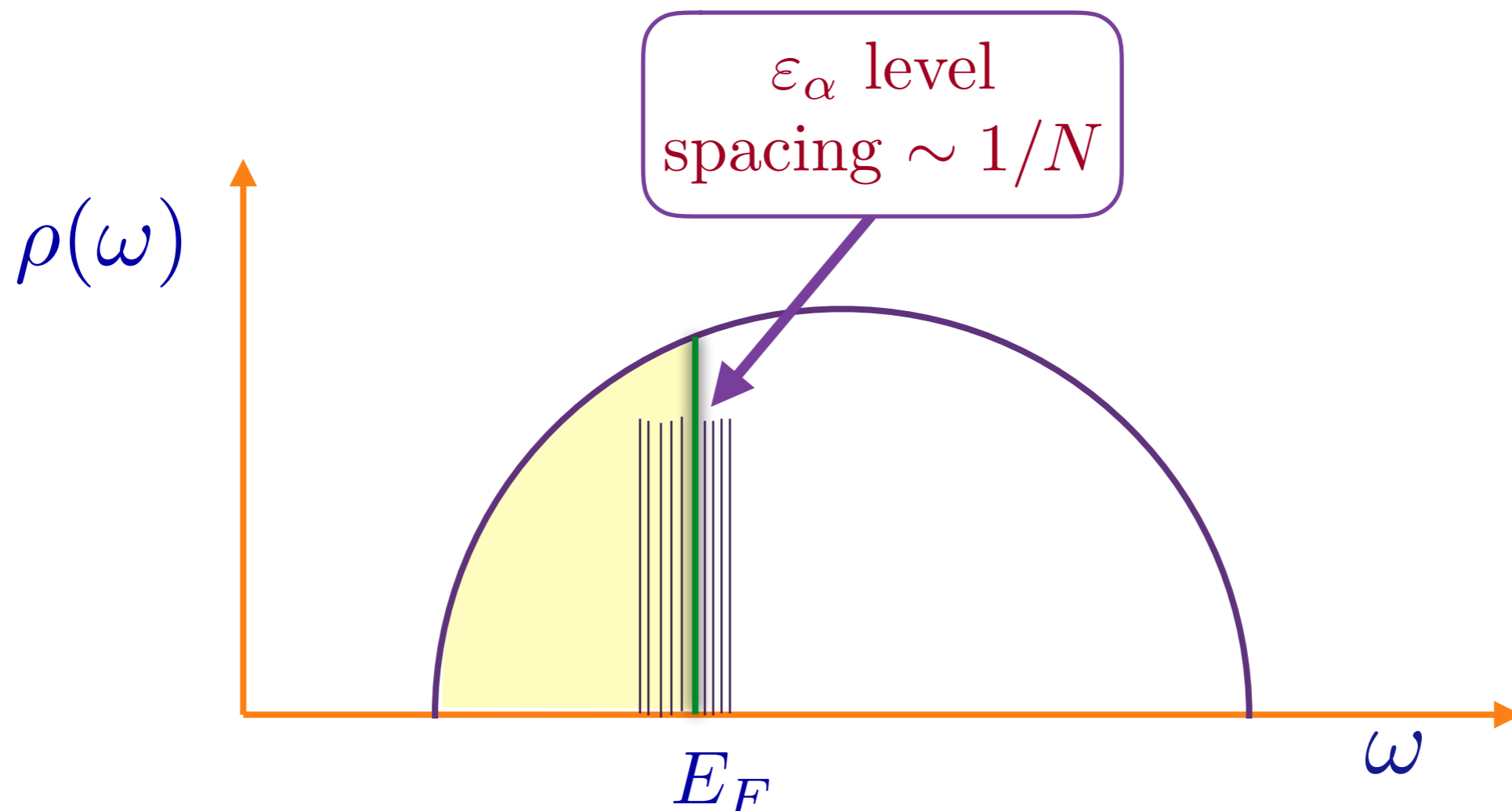
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Let ε_α be the eigenvalues of the matrix t_{ij}/\sqrt{N} . The fermions will occupy the lowest NQ eigenvalues, upto the Fermi energy E_F . The density of states is $\rho(\omega) = (1/N) \sum_\alpha \delta(\omega - \varepsilon_\alpha)$.

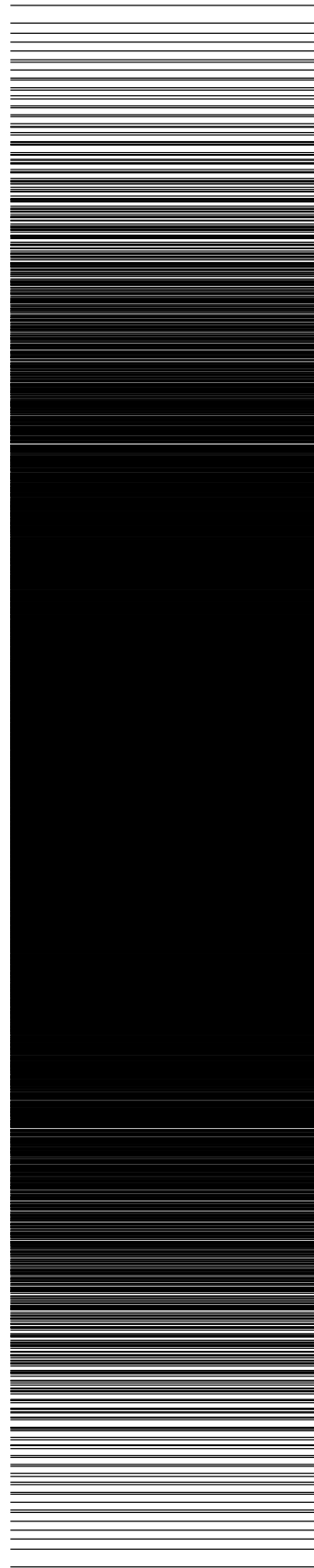


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Many-body
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 $\sim 2^{-N}$

Quasiparticle
excitations with
spacing $\sim 1/N$

There are 2^N many
body levels with energy

$$E = \sum_{\alpha=1}^N n_{\alpha} \varepsilon_{\alpha},$$

where $n_{\alpha} = 0, 1$. Shown
are all values of E for a
single cluster of size
 $N = 12$. The ε_{α} have a
level spacing $\sim 1/N$.

A simple model of a metal with quasiparticles

Now add weak interactions

$$H = \frac{1}{(N)^{1/2}} \sum_{i,j=1}^N t_{ij} c_i^\dagger c_j + \frac{1}{(2N)^{3/2}} \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^N U_{ij;kl} c_i^\dagger c_j^\dagger c_k c_l$$

$J_{ij;kl}$ are independent random variables with $\overline{U_{ij;kl}} = 0$ and $|\overline{U_{ij;kl}}|^2 = U^2$. We compute the lifetime of a quasiparticle, τ_α , in an exact eigenstate $\psi_\alpha(i)$ of the free particle Hamiltonian with energy ε_α . By Fermi's Golden rule, for ε_α at the Fermi energy

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\tau_\alpha} &= \pi U^2 \rho_0^2 \int d\varepsilon_\beta d\varepsilon_\gamma d\varepsilon_\delta f(\varepsilon_\beta)(1 - f(\varepsilon_\gamma))(1 - f(\varepsilon_\delta)) \delta(\varepsilon_\alpha + \varepsilon_\beta - \varepsilon_\gamma - \varepsilon_\delta) \\ &= \frac{\pi^3 U^2 \rho_0^2}{4} T^2 \end{aligned}$$

where ρ_0 is the density of states at the Fermi energy.

Fermi liquid state: Two-body interactions lead to a scattering time of quasiparticle excitations from in (random) single-particle eigenstates which diverges as $\sim T^{-2}$ at the Fermi level.

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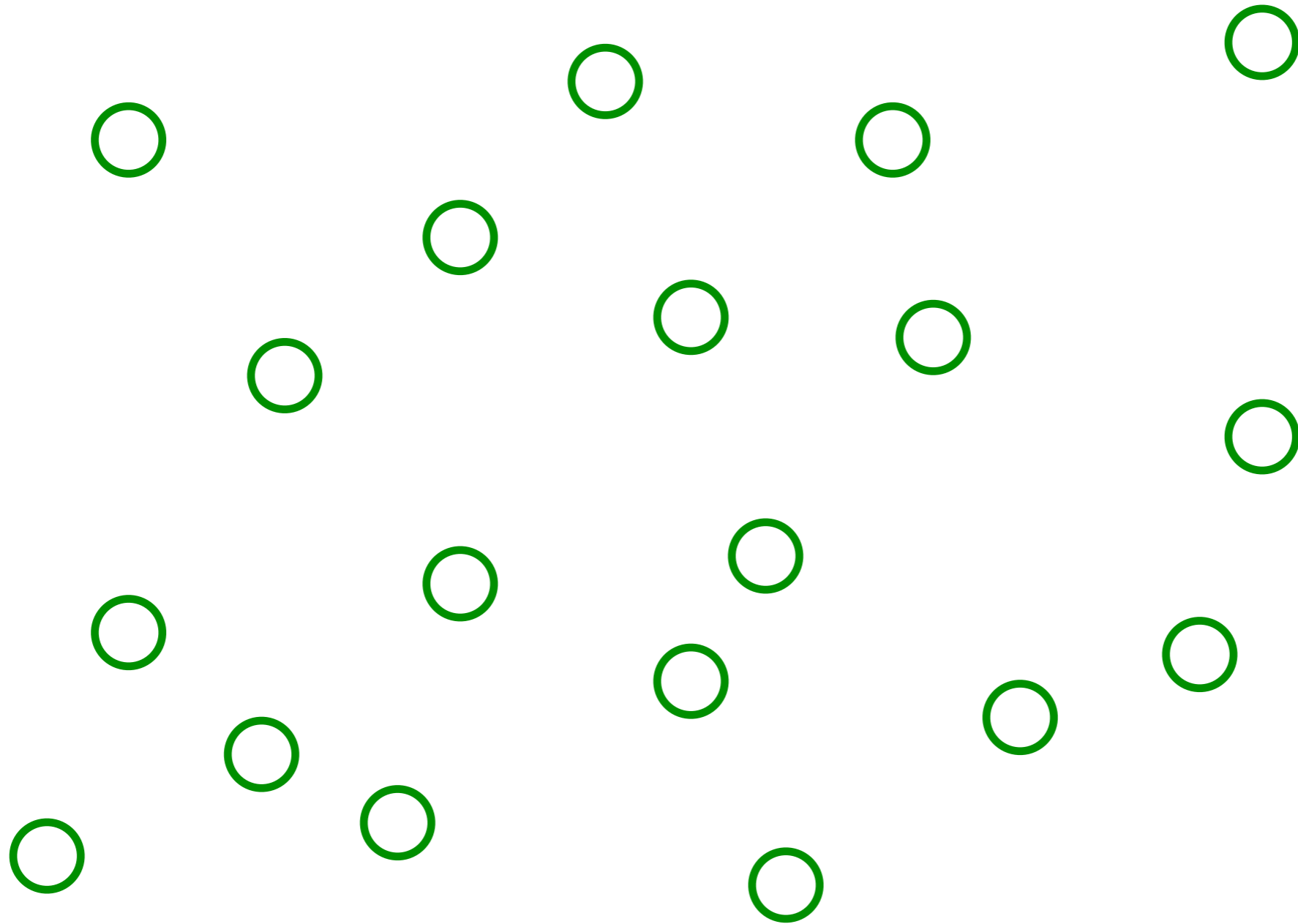
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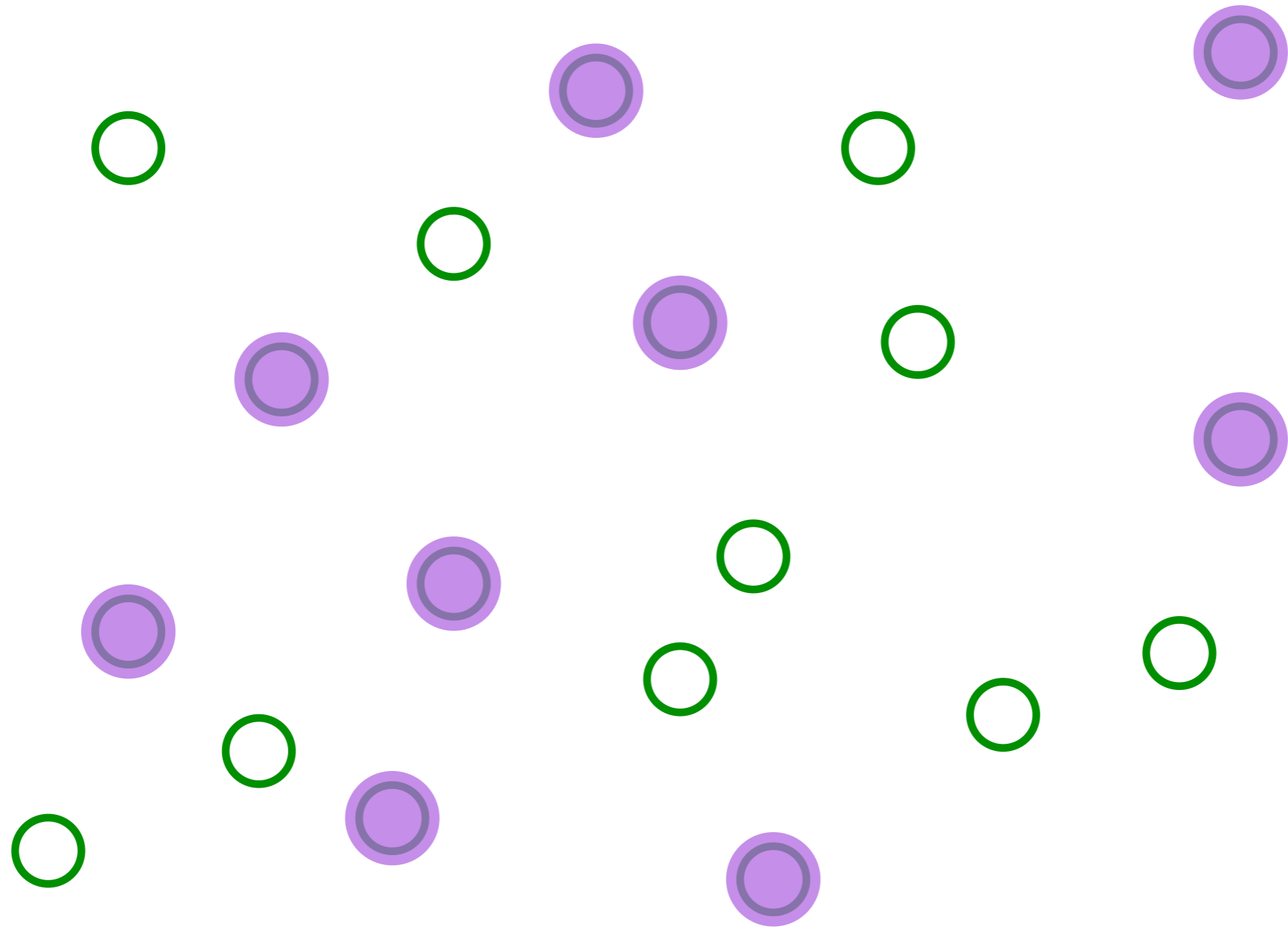
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The Sachdev-Ye-Kitaev (SYK) model



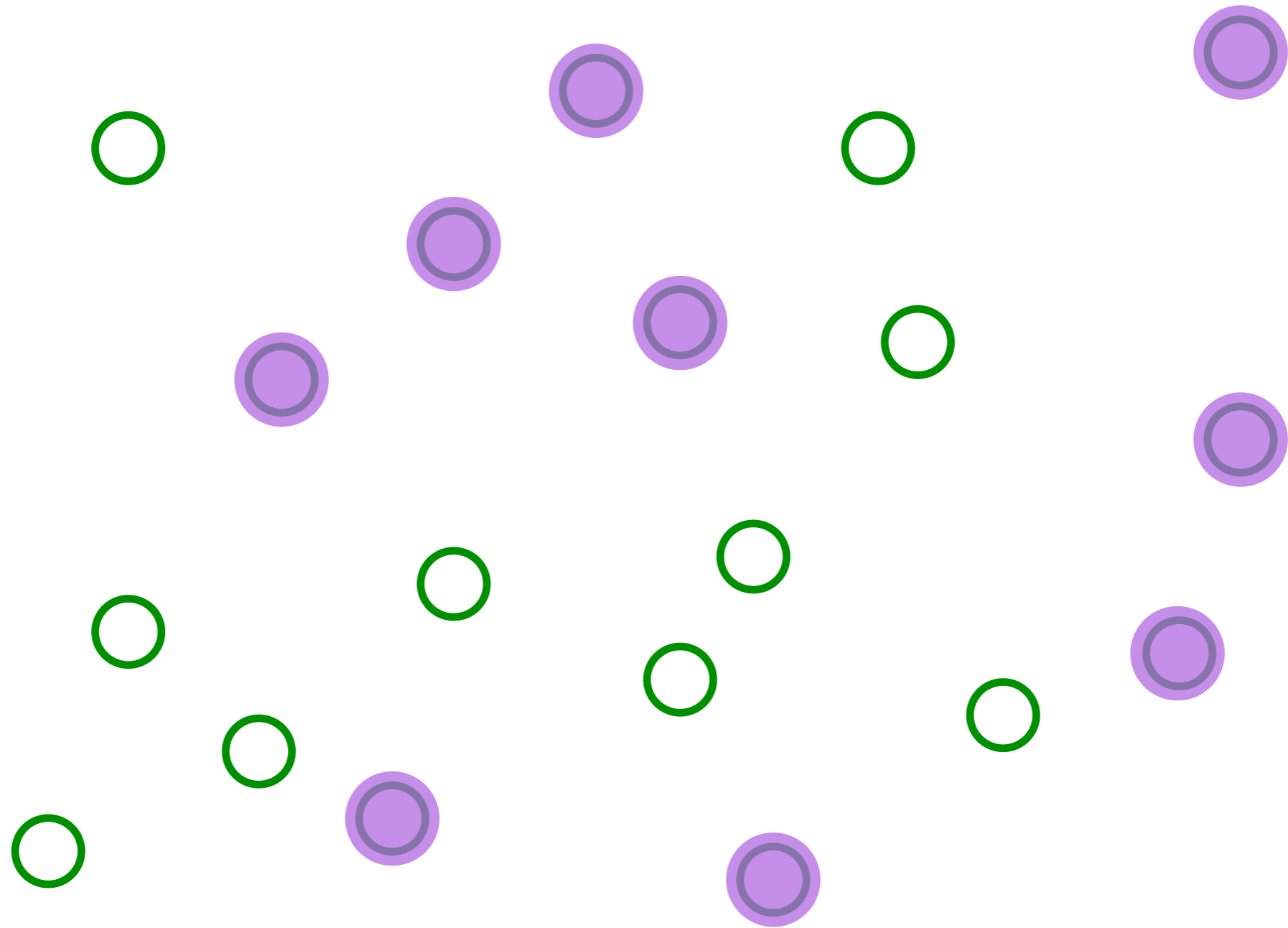
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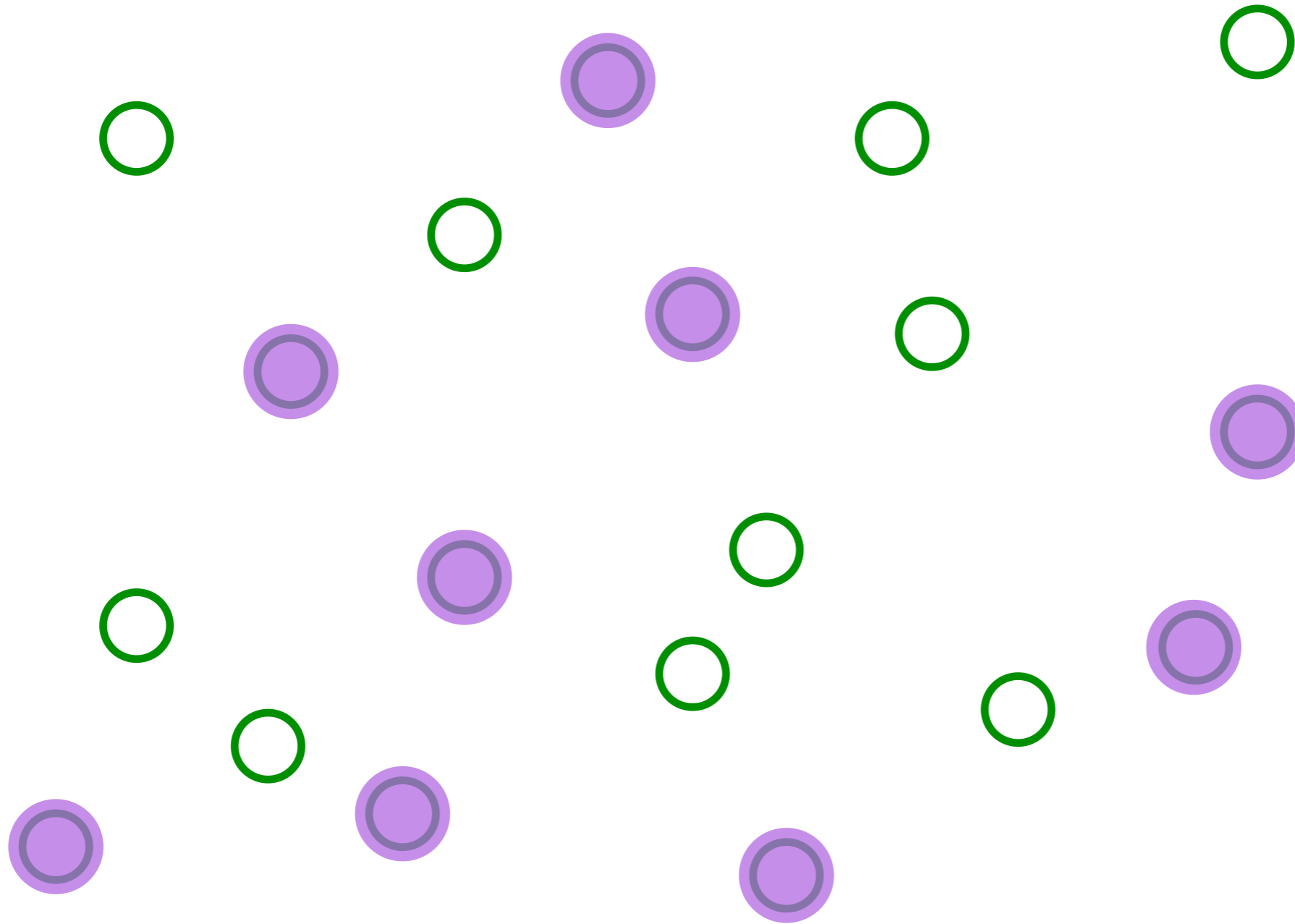
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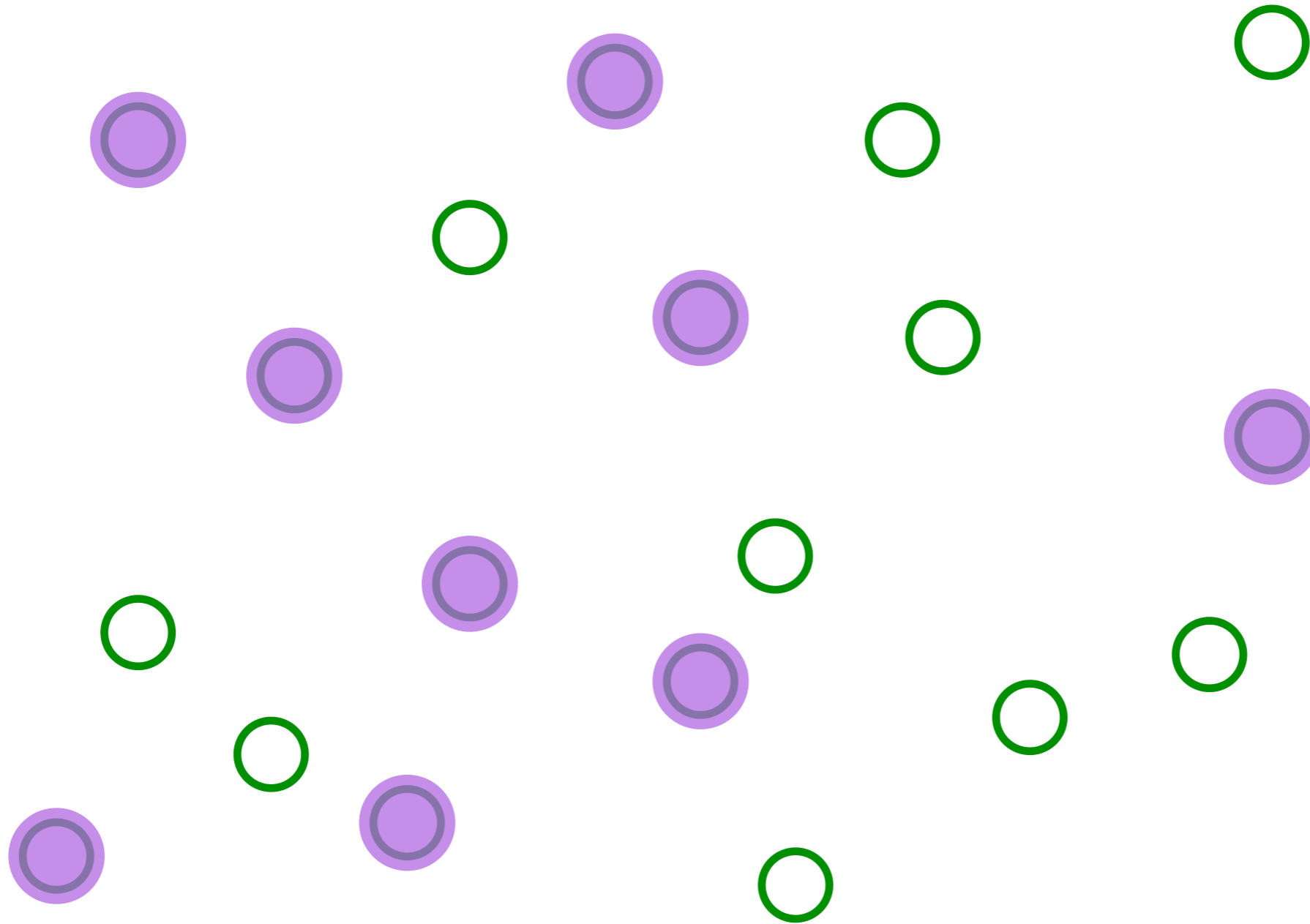
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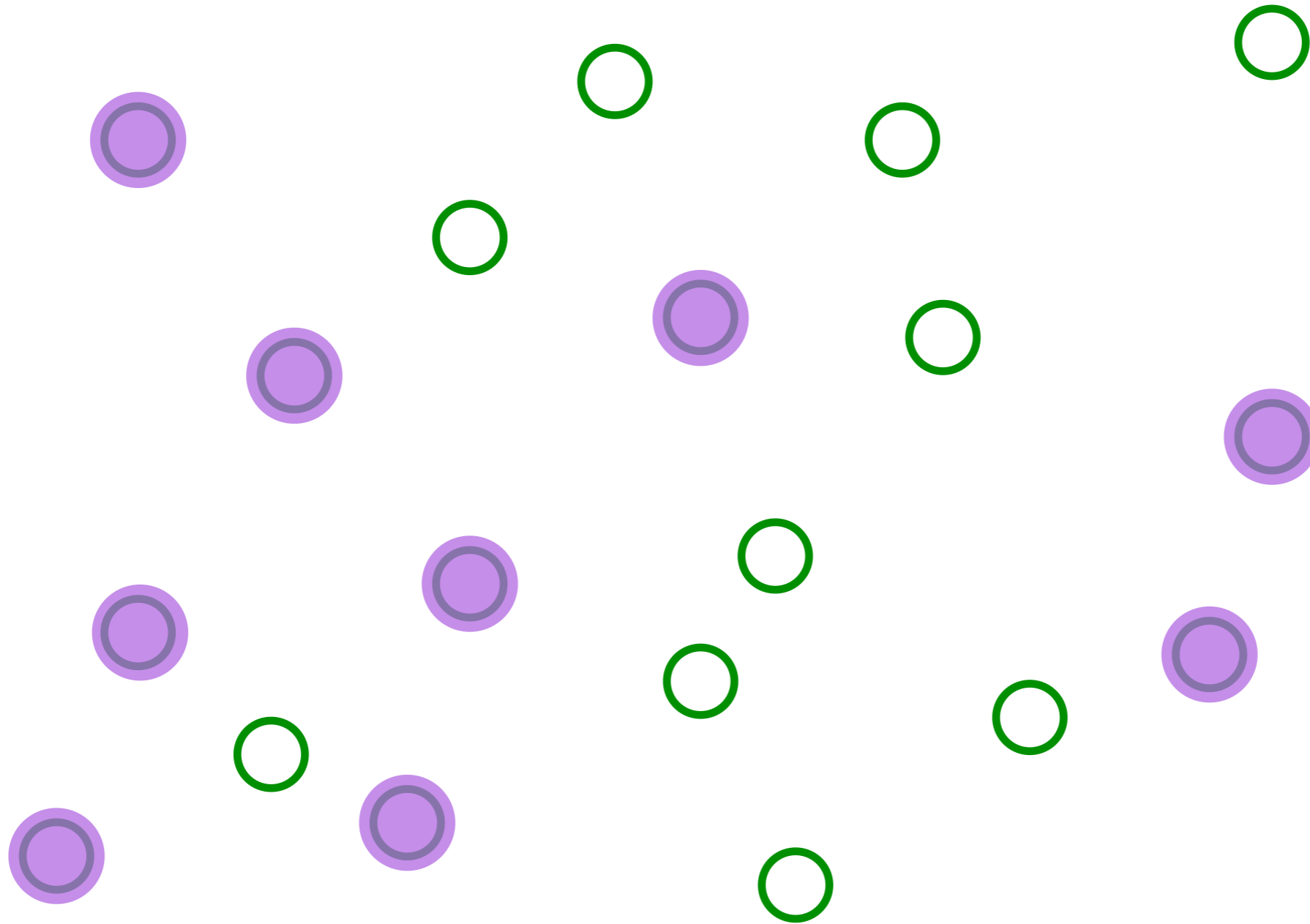
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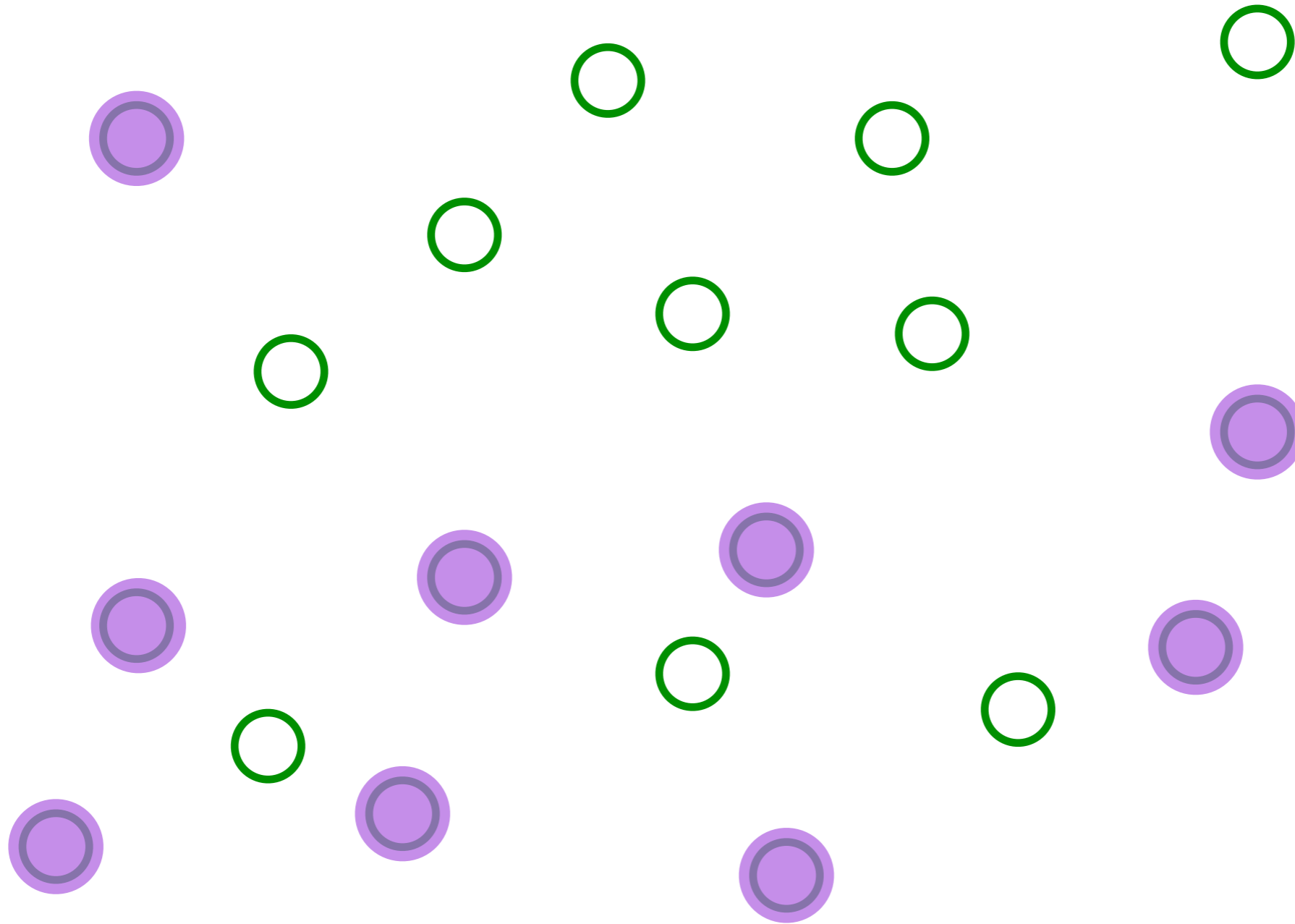
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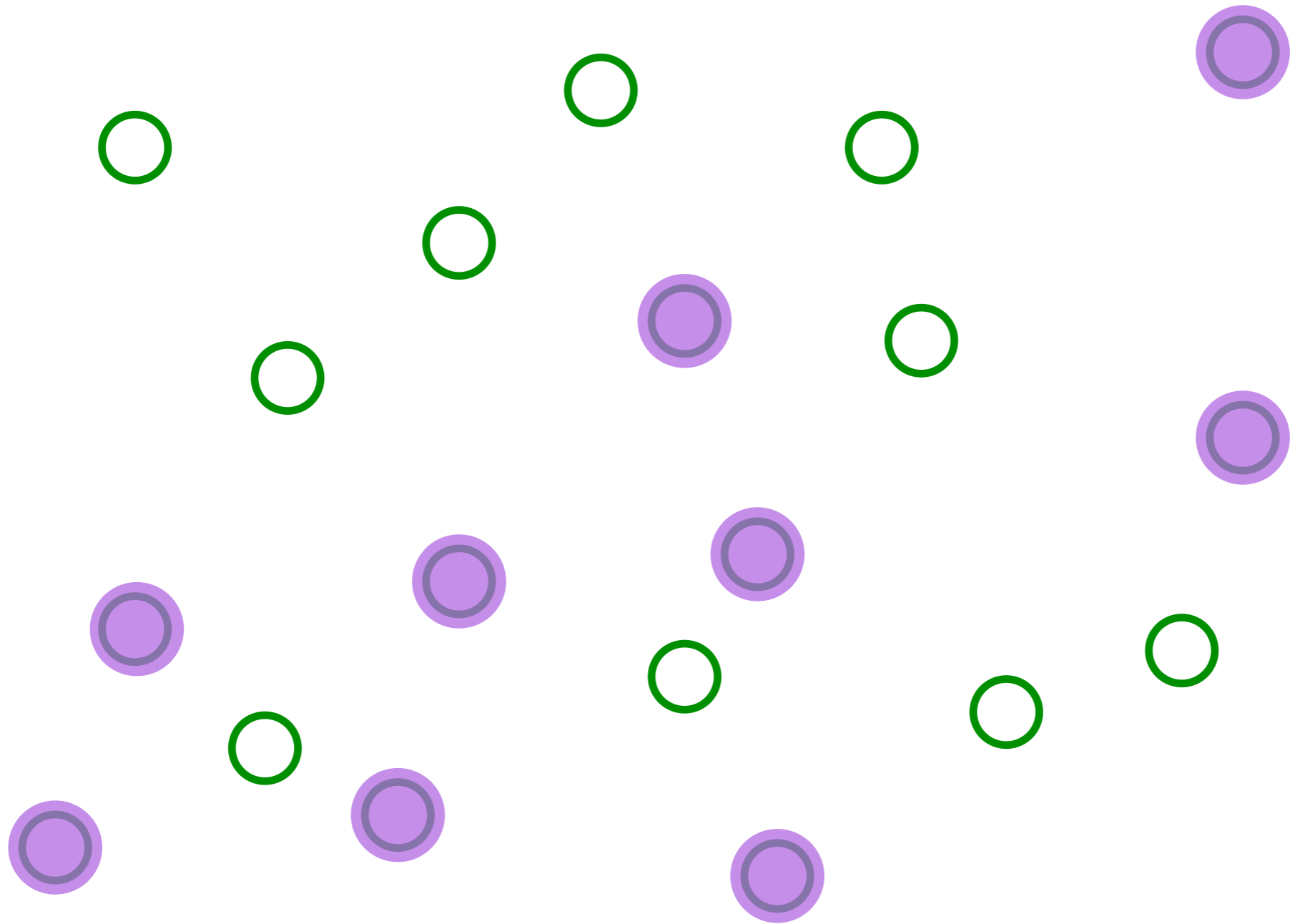
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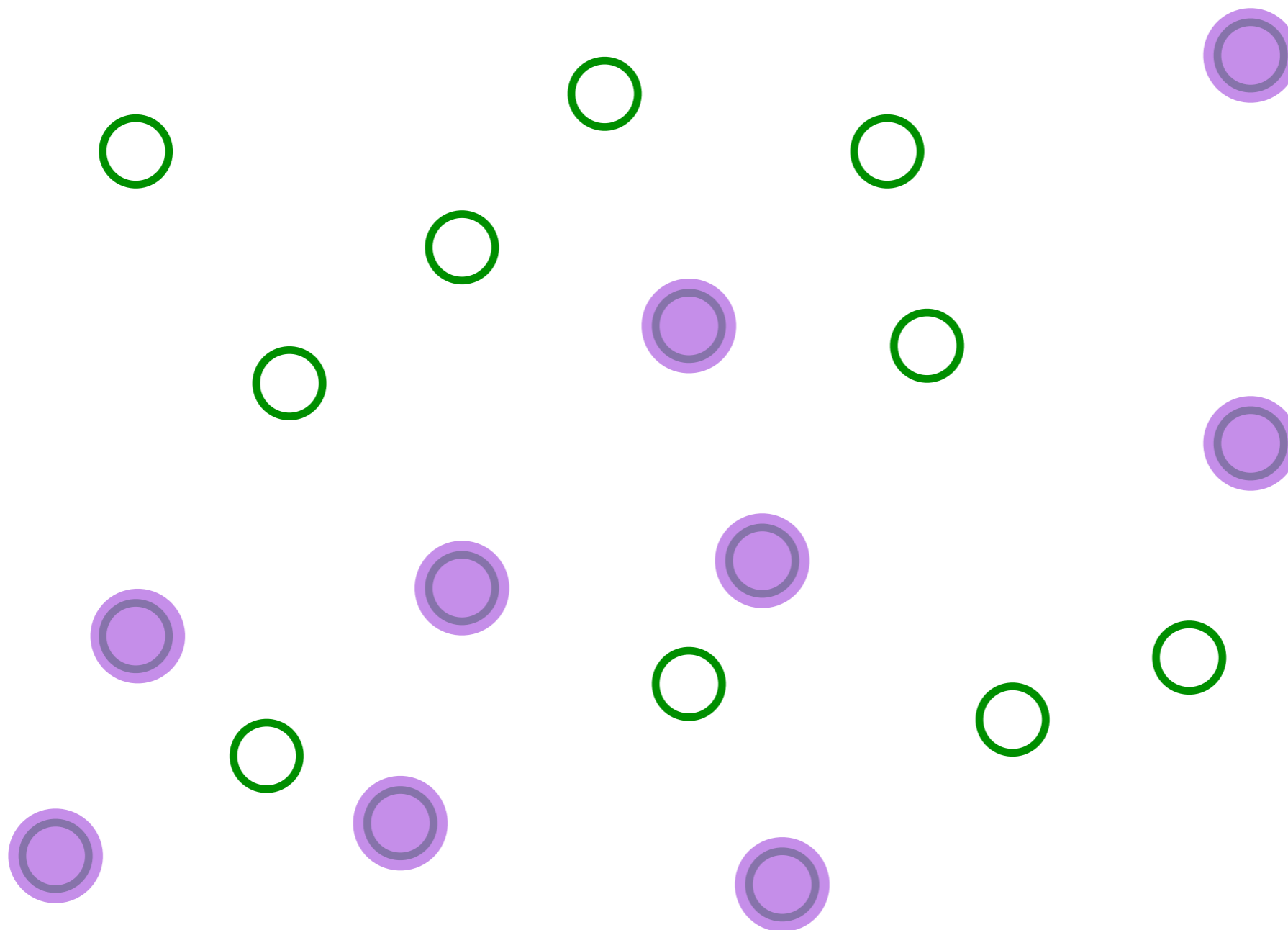
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This describes both a strange metal and a black hole!

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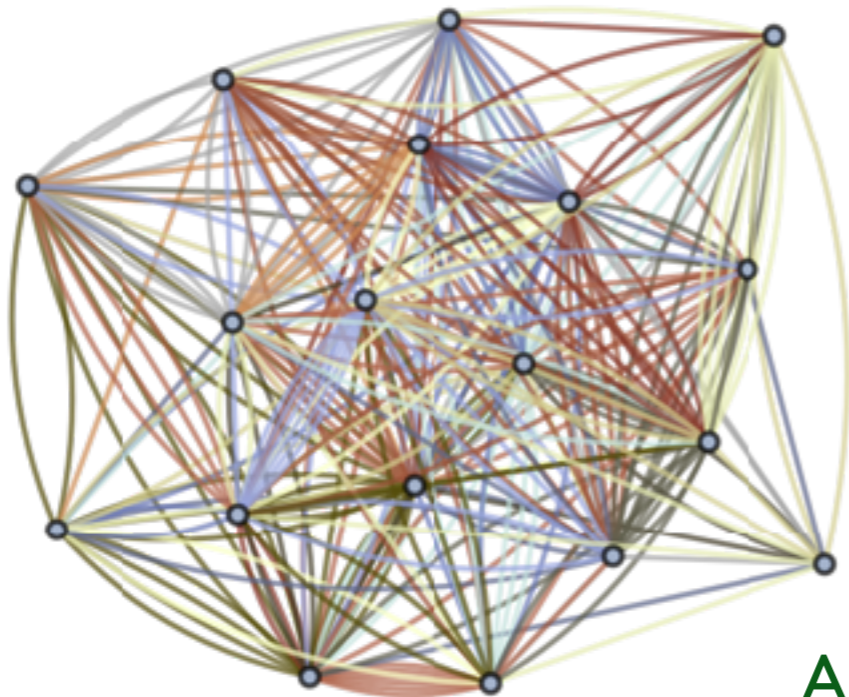
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$$H = \frac{1}{(2N)^{3/2}} \sum_{i,j,k,\ell=1}^N U_{ij;k\ell} c_i^\dagger c_j^\dagger c_k c_\ell - \mu \sum_i c_i^\dagger c_i$$

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$U_{ij;k\ell}$ are independent random variables with $\overline{U_{ij;k\ell}} = 0$ and $\overline{|U_{ij;k\ell}|^2} = U^2$
 $N \rightarrow \infty$ yields critical strange metal.



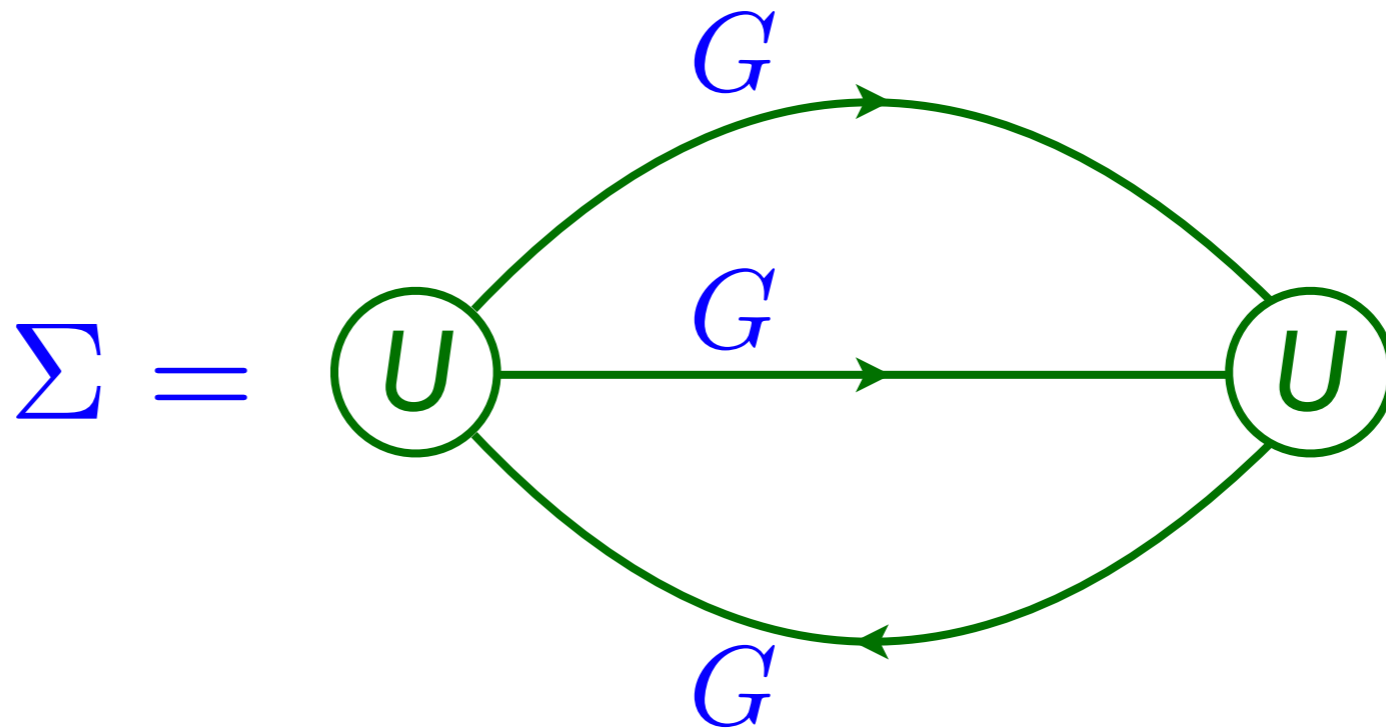
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Low frequency analysis shows that the solutions must be gapless and obey

$$\Sigma(z) = \mu - \frac{1}{A} \sqrt{z} + \dots \quad , \quad G(z) = \frac{A}{\sqrt{z}}$$

where $A = e^{-i\pi/4} (\pi/U^2)^{1/4}$ at half-filling. The ground state is a non-Fermi liquid, with a continuously variable density Q .

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$$s_0 = \frac{G}{\pi} + \frac{\ln(2)}{4} = 0.464848\dots$$
$$< \ln 2$$

where G is Catalan's constant, for the half-filled case $Q = 1/2$.

GPS: A. Georges, O. Parcollet, and S. Sachdev, PRB **63**, 134406 (2001)

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- Presence of quasiparticles should slow down thermalization, so *all* quantum systems obey

$$\tau_{\text{eq}} > C \frac{\hbar}{k_B T} \quad , \quad \text{as } T \rightarrow 0.$$

S. Sachdev, *Quantum Phase Transitions*,
Cambridge (1999)

Absence of quasiparticles \Leftrightarrow Fastest possible thermalization

SYK models and black holes

- Black holes have an entropy proportional to their surface area, and a temperature, $T_H = \hbar c^3 / (8\pi G M k_B)$.
- Black holes relax to thermal equilibrium in a ‘Planckian’ time $\sim \hbar / (k_B T_H) = 8\pi G M / c^3$.
- Black holes in $d + 1$ spatial dimensions are similar to a quantum system without quasiparticles in d spatial dimensions.

**Black
holes**



SYK models and black holes

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Holographic Metals and the Fractionalized Fermi Liquid

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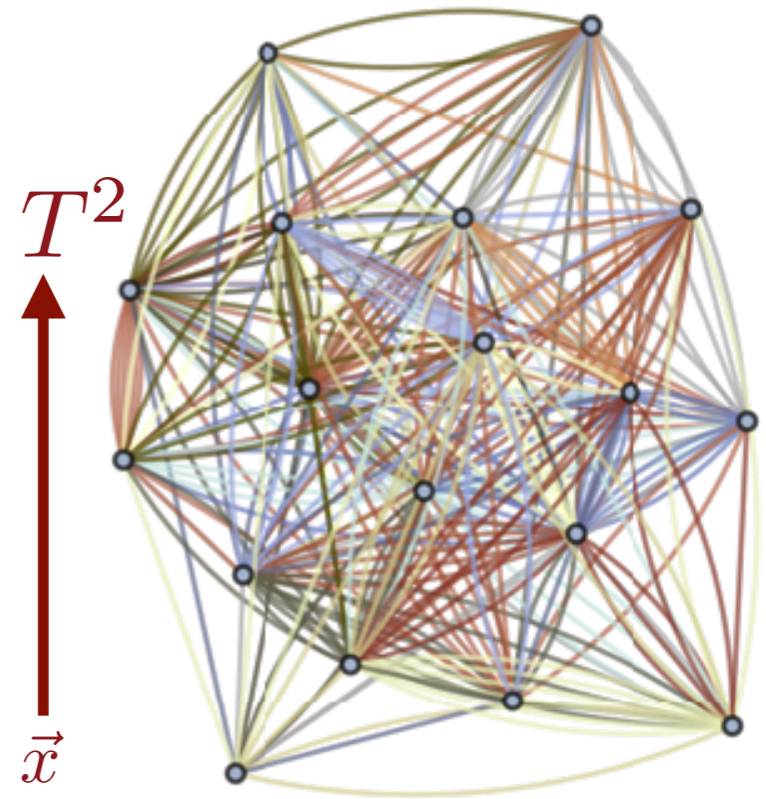
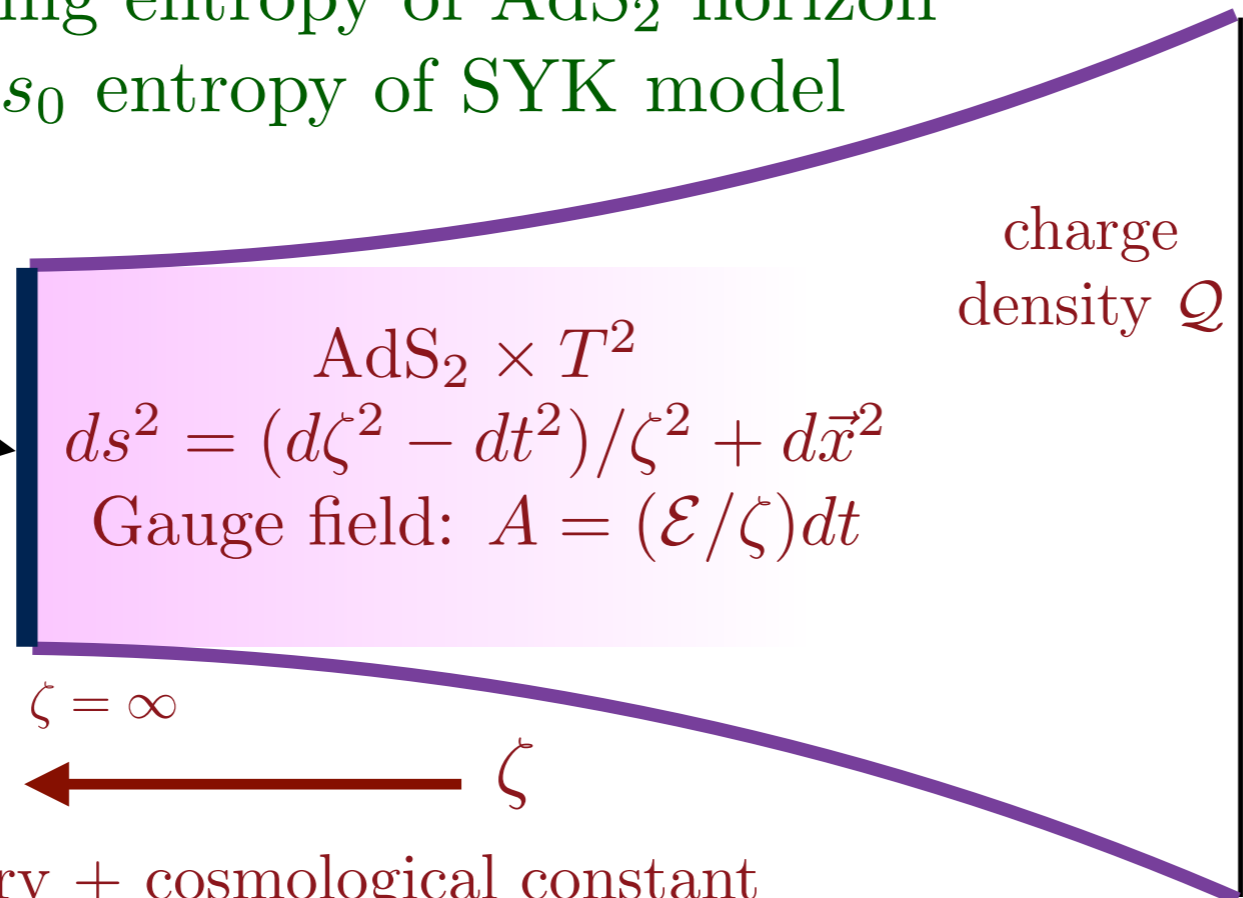
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We show that there is a close correspondence between the physical properties of holographic metals near charged black holes in anti-de Sitter (AdS) space, and the fractionalized Fermi liquid phase of the lattice Anderson model. The latter phase has a “small” Fermi surface of conduction electrons, along with a spin liquid of local moments. This correspondence implies that certain mean-field gapless spin liquids are states of matter at nonzero density realizing the near-horizon, $\text{AdS}_2 \times \mathbb{R}^2$ physics of Reissner-Nordström black holes.

Bekenstein-Hawking entropy of AdS_2 horizon
at $T = 0 \Leftrightarrow N s_0$ entropy of SYK model

Black hole
horizon



Einstein-Maxwell theory + cosmological constant

SYK and AdS₂

$$G(i\omega) = \frac{1}{i\omega + \mu - \Sigma(i\omega)} \quad , \quad \Sigma(\tau) = -U^2 G^2(\tau) G(-\tau)$$
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At frequencies $\ll U$, the $i\omega + \mu$ can be dropped, and without it equations are invariant under the reparametrization and gauge transformations.

The singular part of the self-energy and the Green's function obey

$$\int_0^\beta d\tau_2 \Sigma_{\text{sing}}(\tau_1, \tau_2) G(\tau_2, \tau_3) = -\delta(\tau_1 - \tau_3)$$

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SYK and AdS₂

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These equations are invariant under

$$\tau = f(\sigma)$$

$$G(\tau_1, \tau_2) = [f'(\sigma_1) f'(\sigma_2)]^{-1/4} \frac{g(\sigma_1)}{g(\sigma_2)} \tilde{G}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)$$

$$\Sigma(\tau_1, \tau_2) = [f'(\sigma_1) f'(\sigma_2)]^{-3/4} \frac{g(\sigma_1)}{g(\sigma_2)} \tilde{\Sigma}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2)$$

where $f(\sigma)$ and $g(\sigma)$ are arbitrary functions.

By using $f(\sigma) = \tan(\pi T \sigma) / (\pi T)$ we can

now obtain the $T > 0$ solution from the $T = 0$ solution.

SYK and AdS₂

Let us write the large N saddle point solutions of S as

$$\begin{aligned} G_s(\tau_1 - \tau_2) &\sim (\tau_1 - \tau_2)^{-1/2} \\ \Sigma_s(\tau_1 - \tau_2) &\sim (\tau_1 - \tau_2)^{-3/2}. \end{aligned}$$

The saddle point will be invariant under a reparamaterization $f(\tau)$ when choosing $G(\tau_1, \tau_2) = G_s(\tau_1 - \tau_2)$ leads to a transformed $\tilde{G}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2) = G_s(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)$ (and similarly for Σ). It turns out this is true only for the $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ transformations under which

$$f(\tau) = \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d}, \quad ad - bc = 1.$$

So the (approximate) reparametrization symmetry is spontaneously broken down to $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$ by the saddle point.

SYK and AdS₂

Connections of SYK to gravity and AdS₂ horizons

- Reparameterization and gauge invariance are the ‘symmetries’ of the Einstein-Maxwell theory of gravity and electromagnetism
- SL(2,R) is the isometry group of AdS₂.

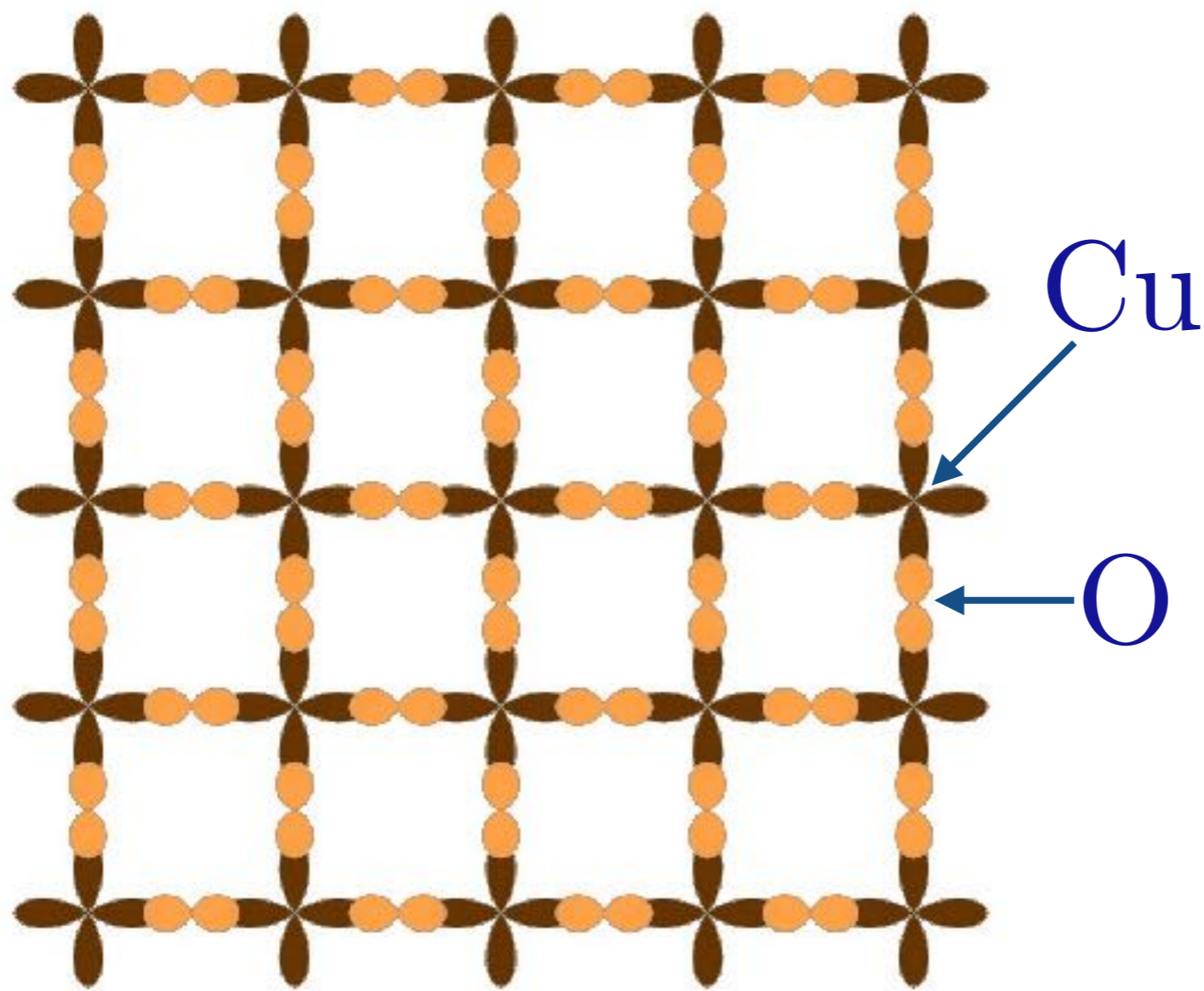
$ds^2 = (d\tau^2 + d\zeta^2)/\zeta^2$ is invariant under

$$\tau' + i\zeta' = \frac{a(\tau + i\zeta) + b}{c(\tau + i\zeta) + d}$$

with $ad - bc = 1$.

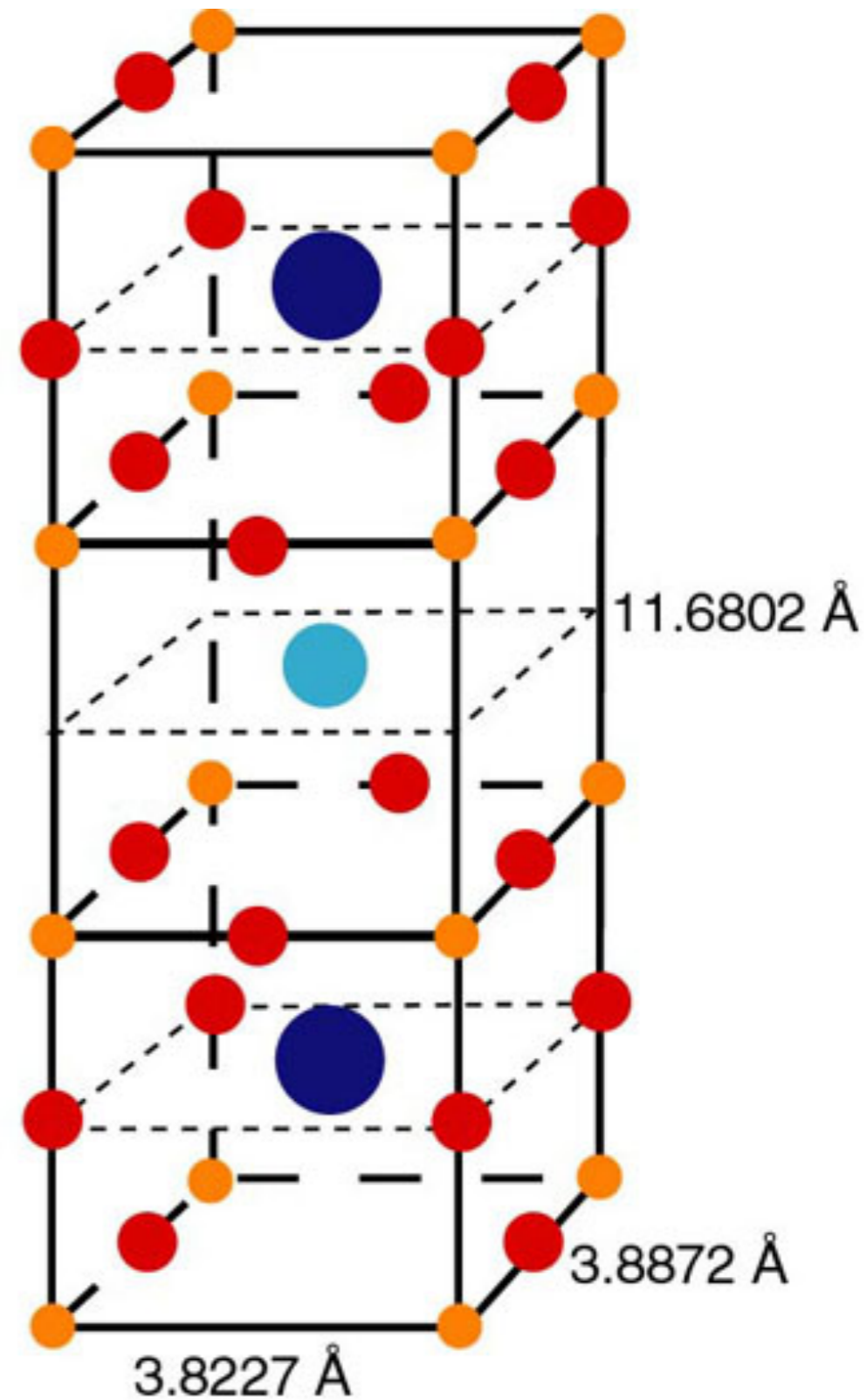
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High temperature superconductors



CuO_2 plane

Described by a Hubbard model
on the Cu sites



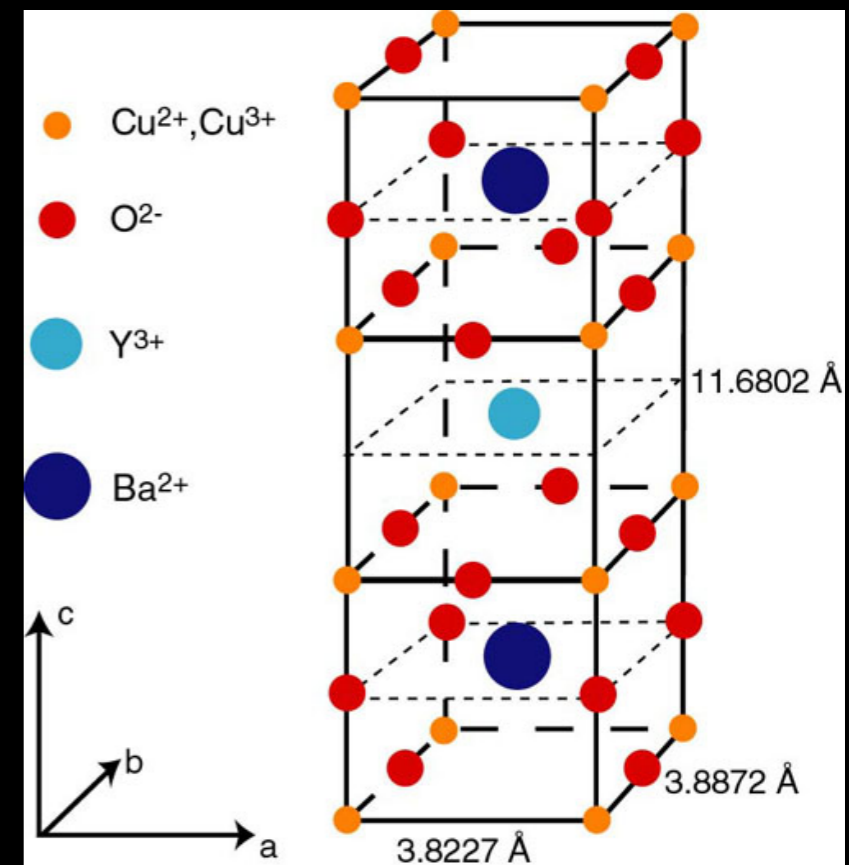
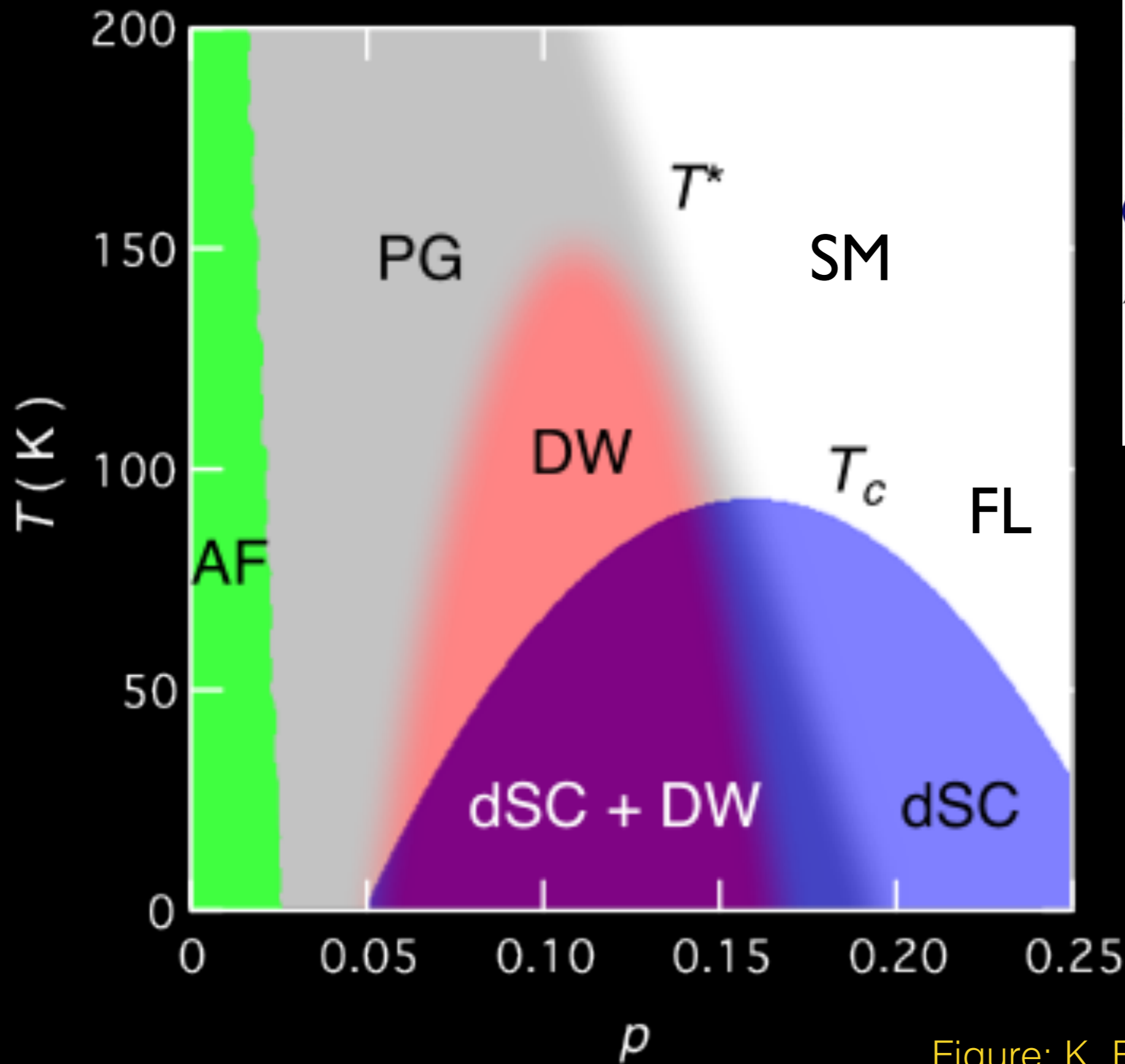


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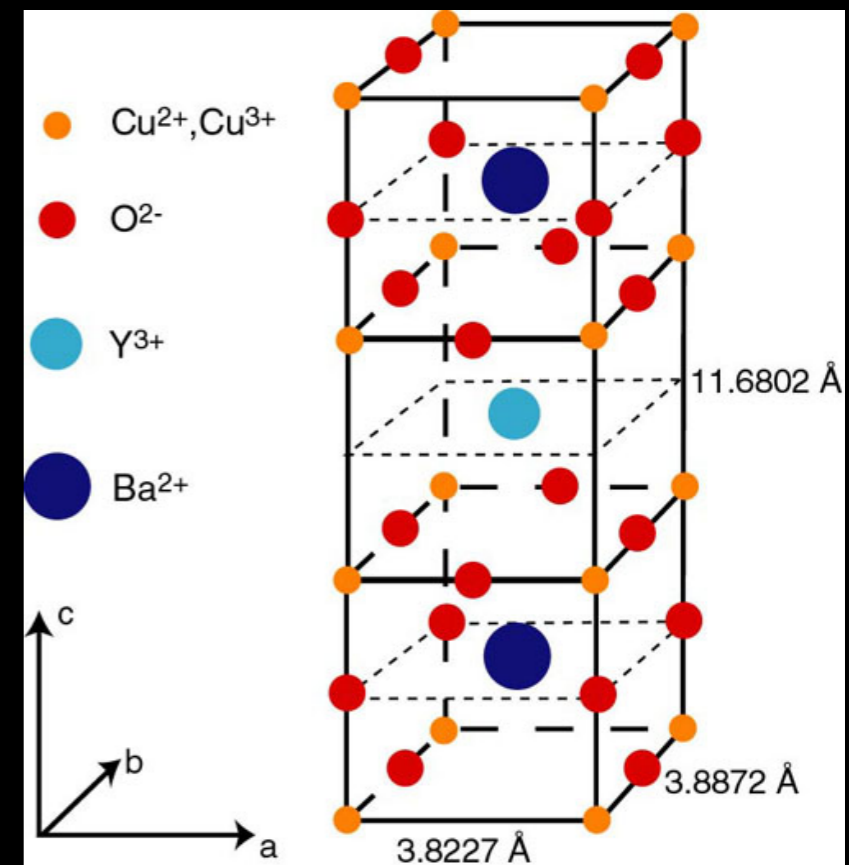
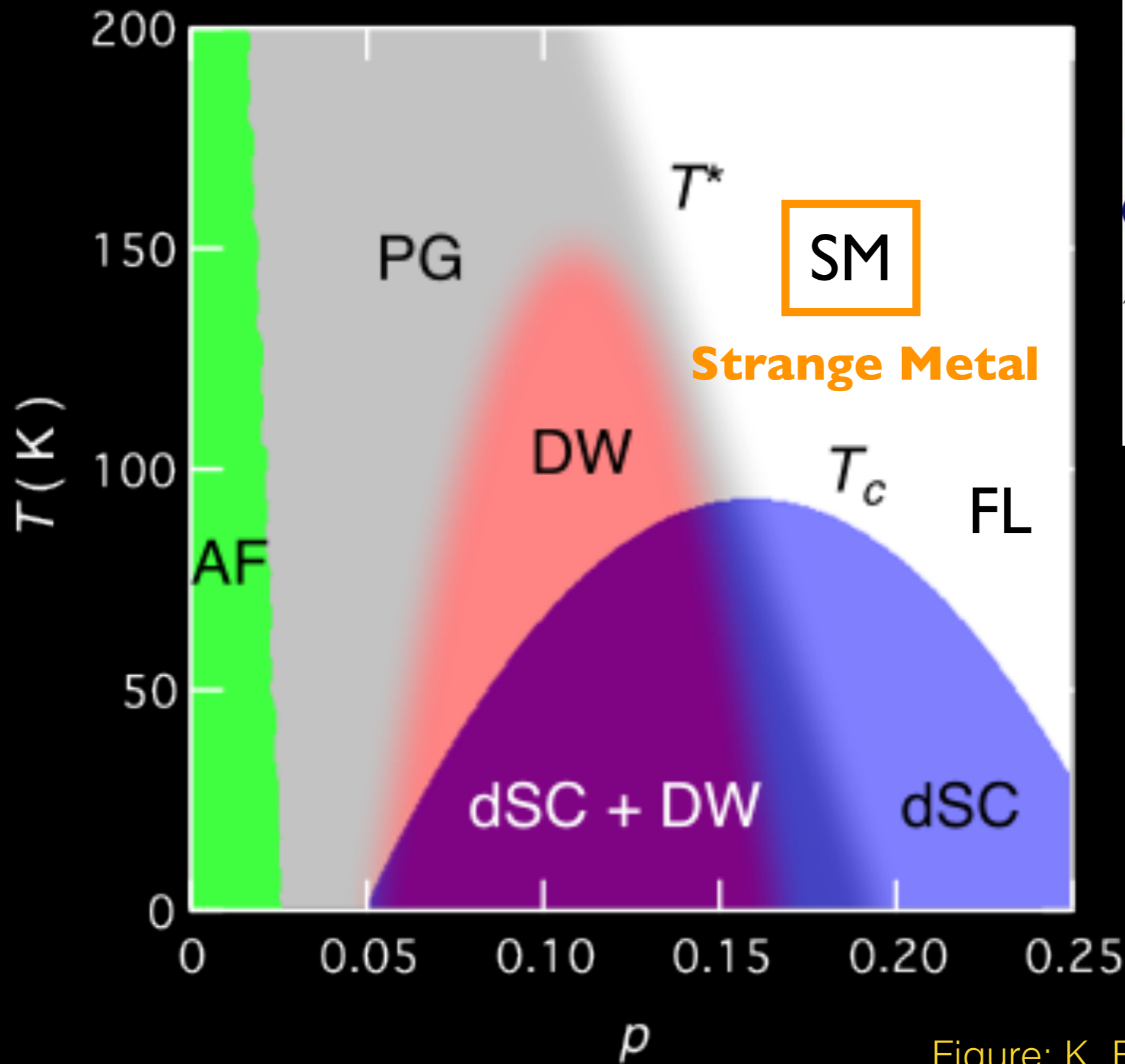
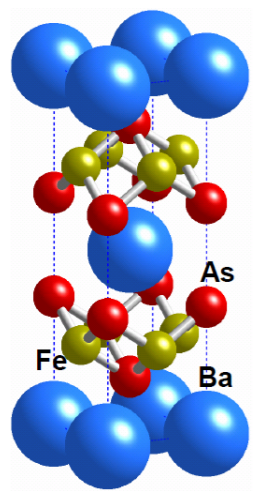
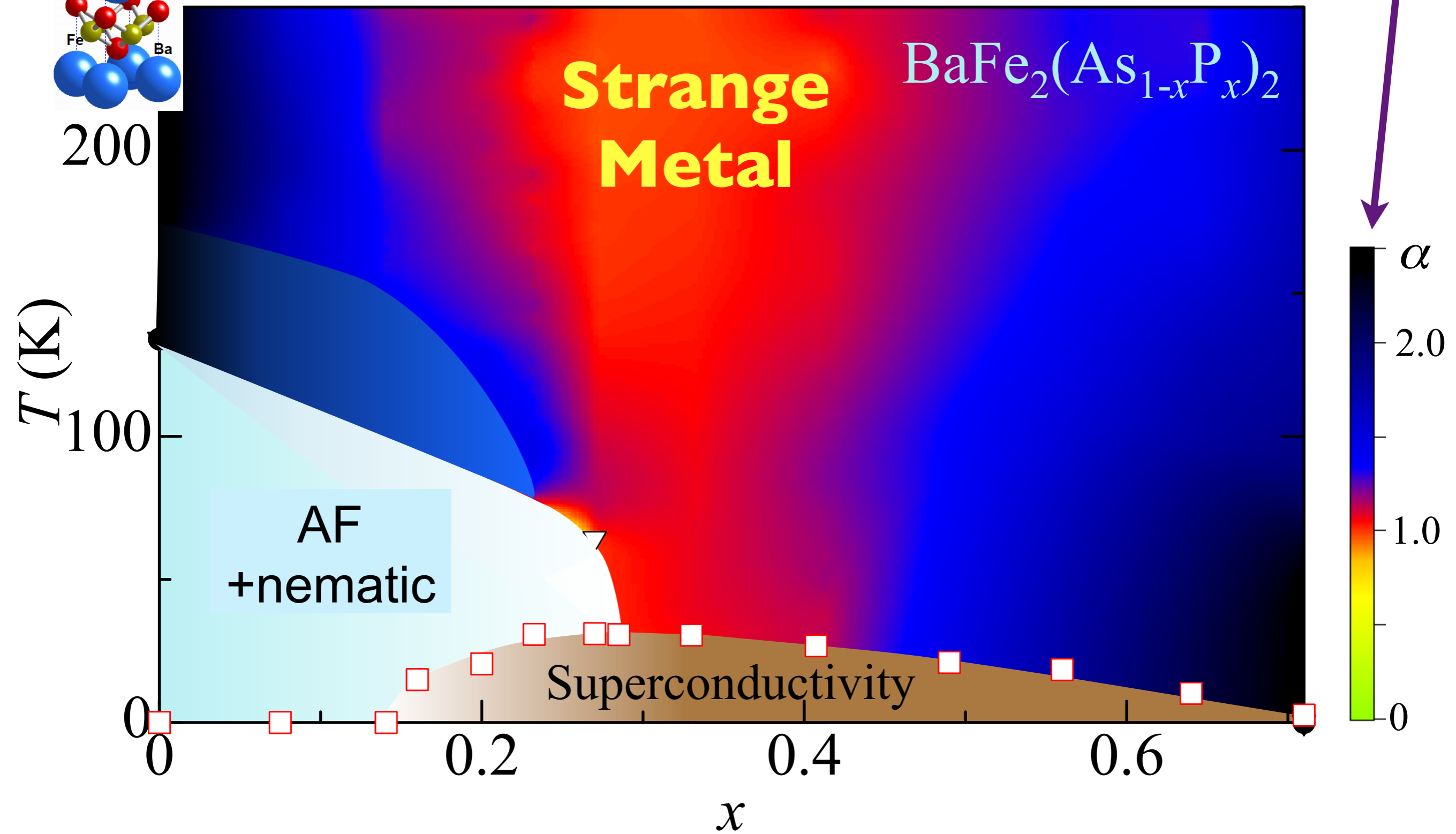


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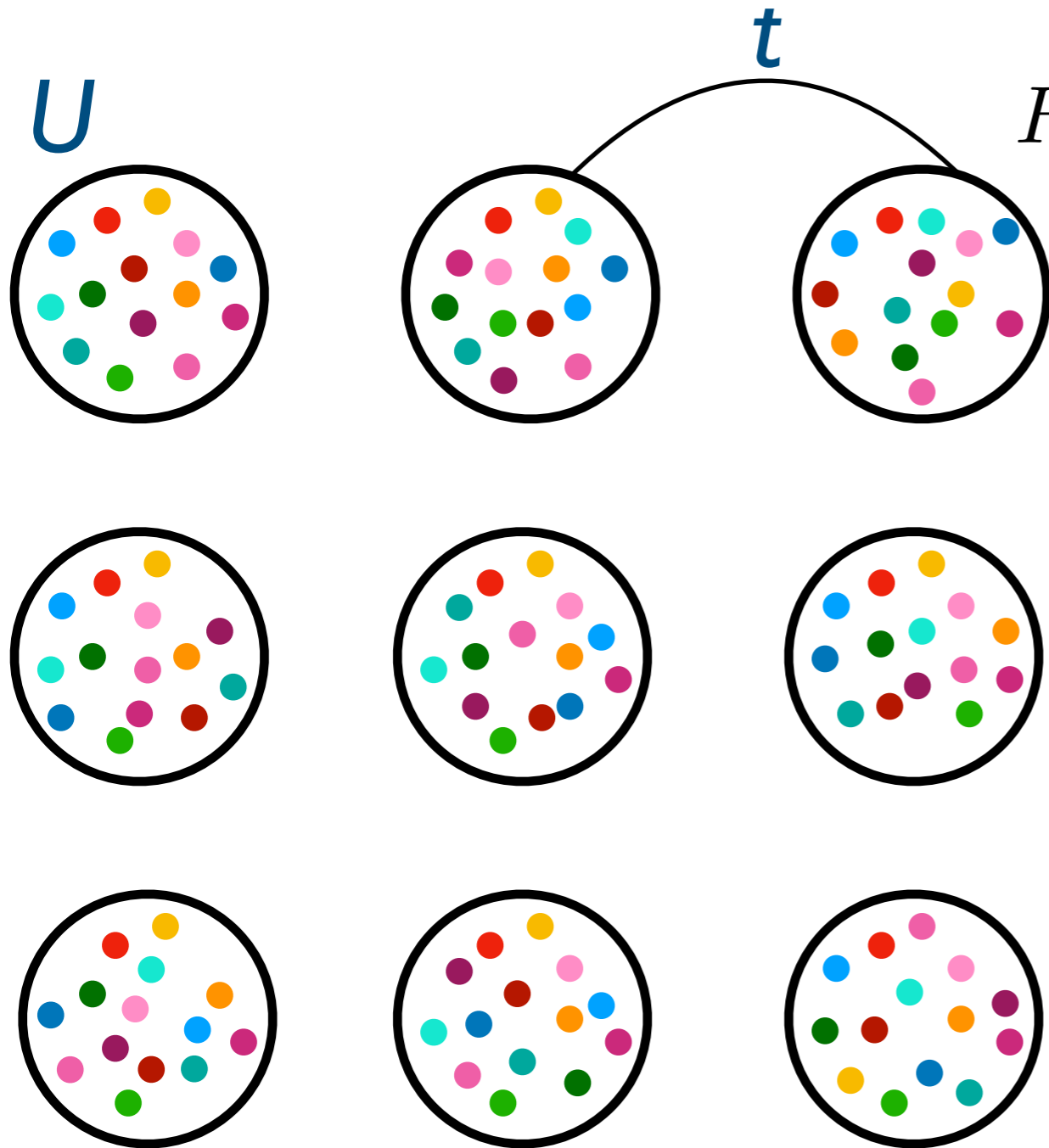
Resistivity
 $\sim \rho_0 + AT^\alpha$



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Coupled SYK Islands

SYK quantum islands of electrons with random hopping between them.



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$$\overline{|U_{ijkl}|^2} = \frac{2U^2}{N^3}$$

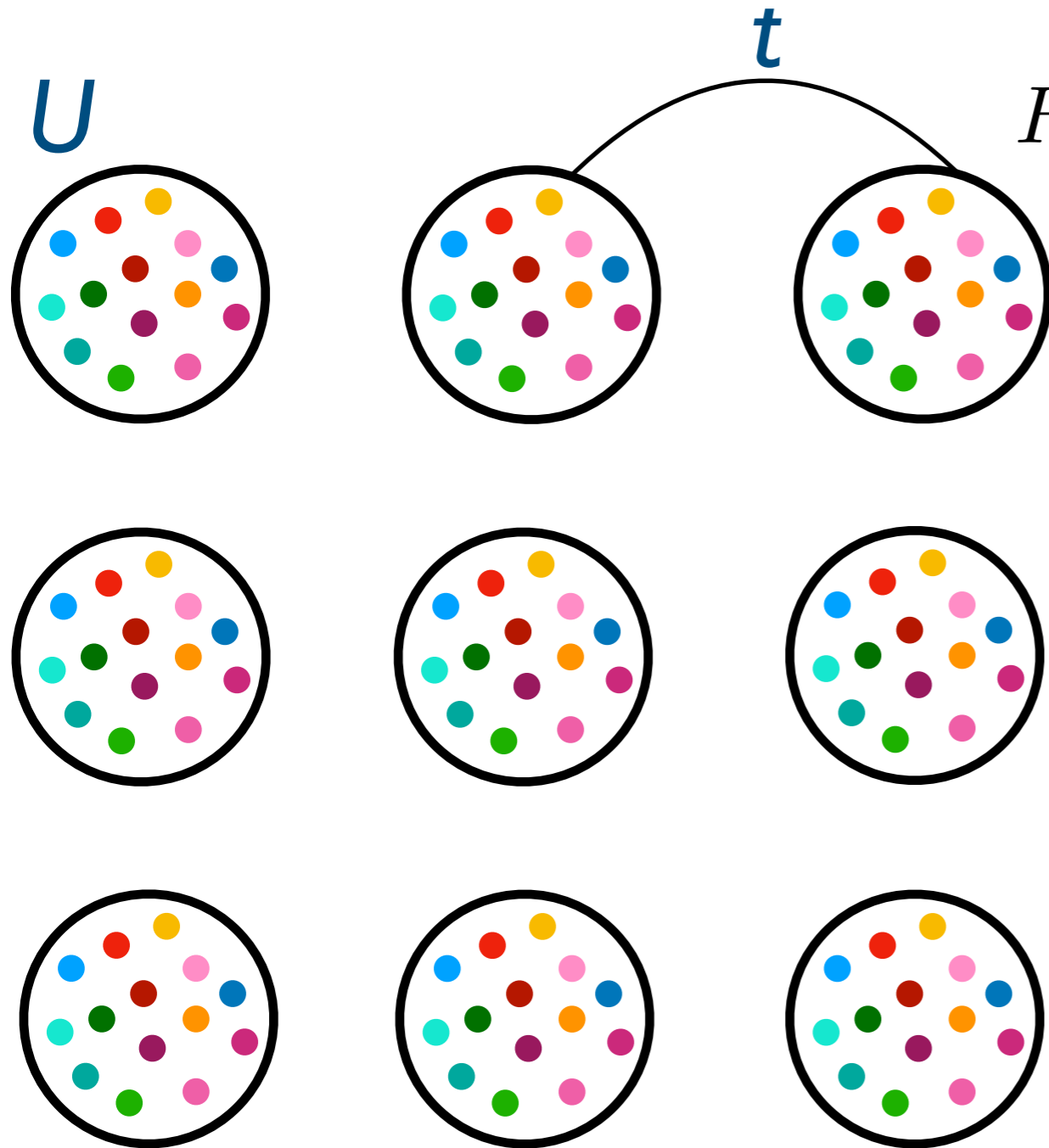
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Can also use non-random t , and the same U on all “islands”.



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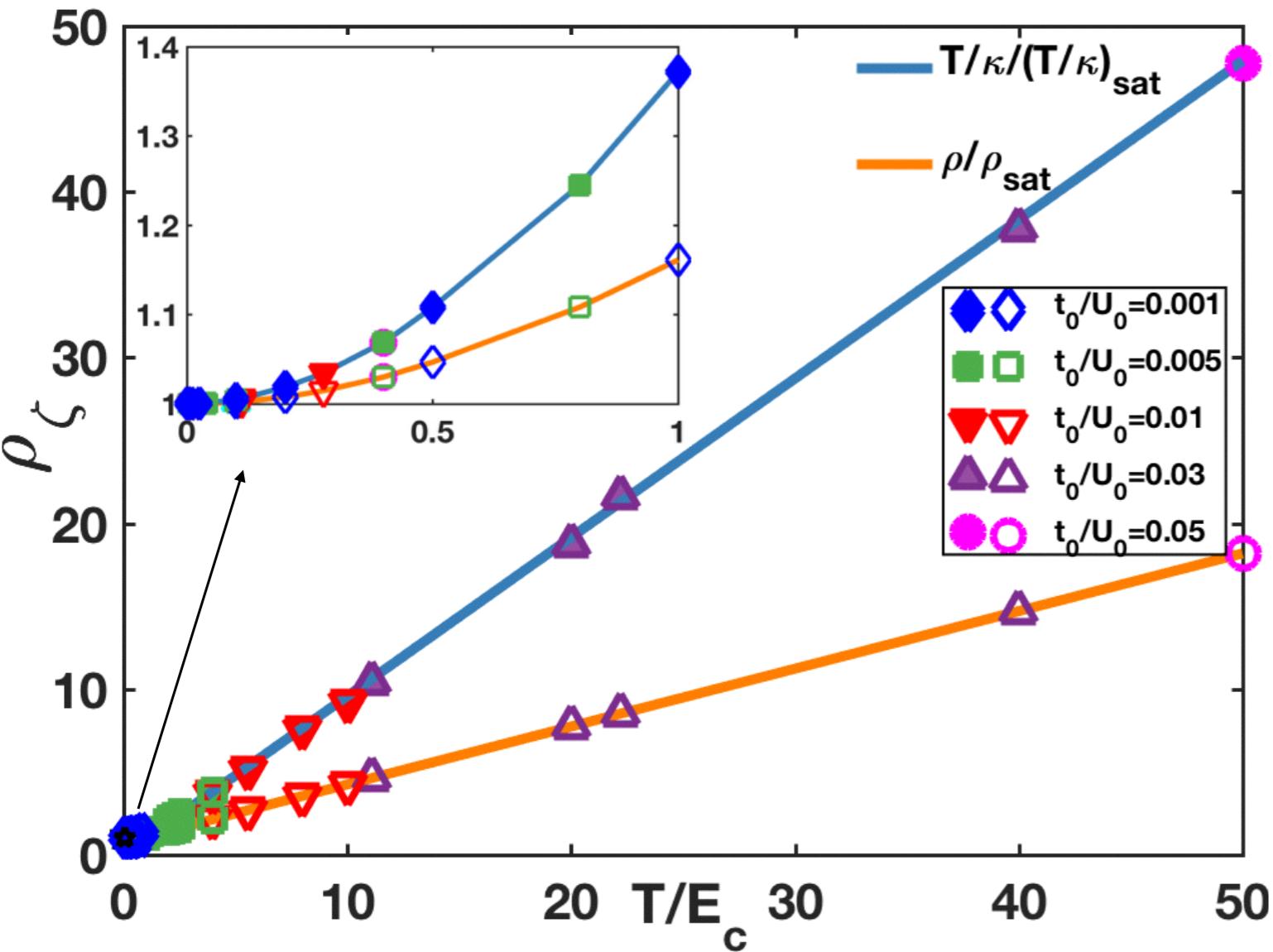
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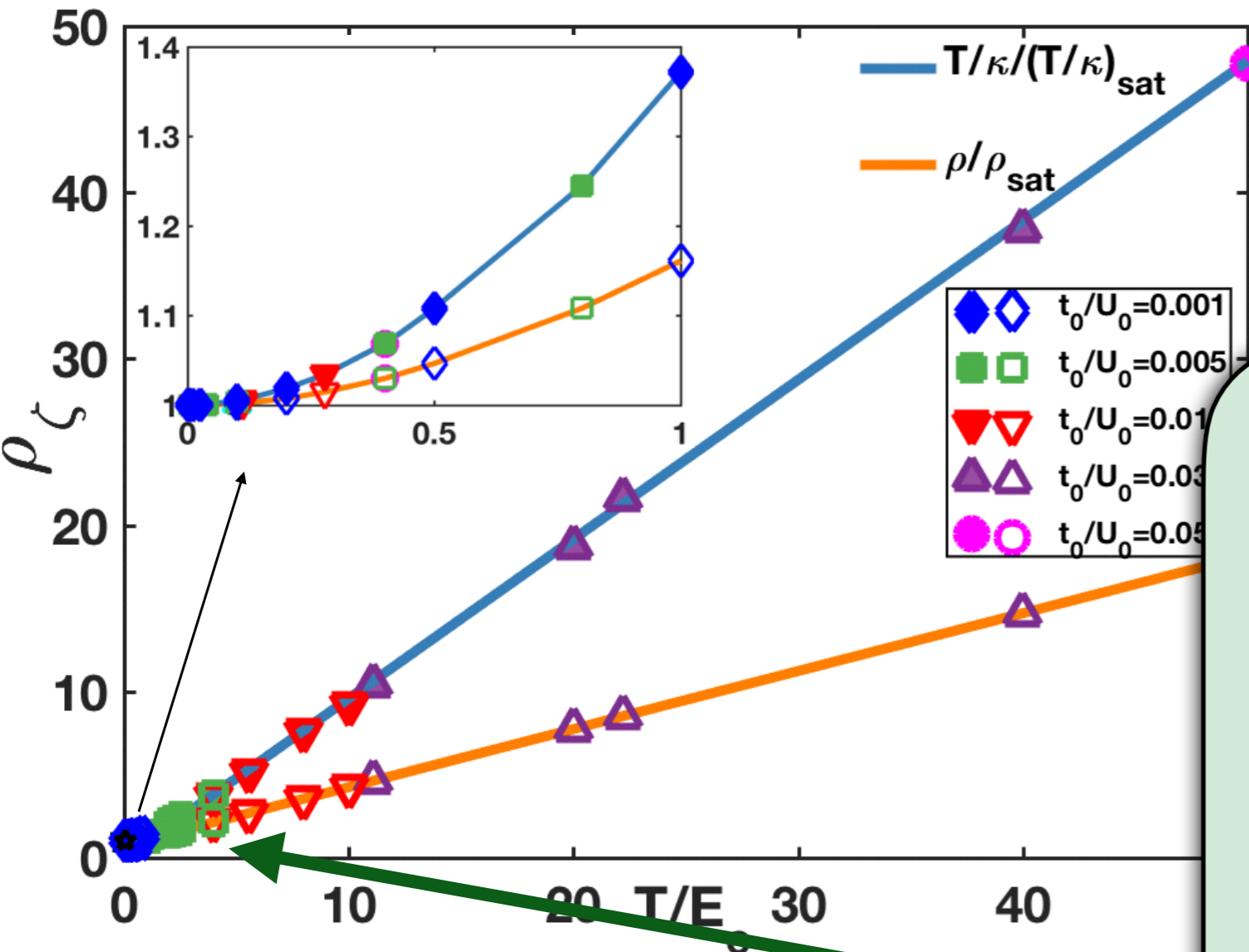
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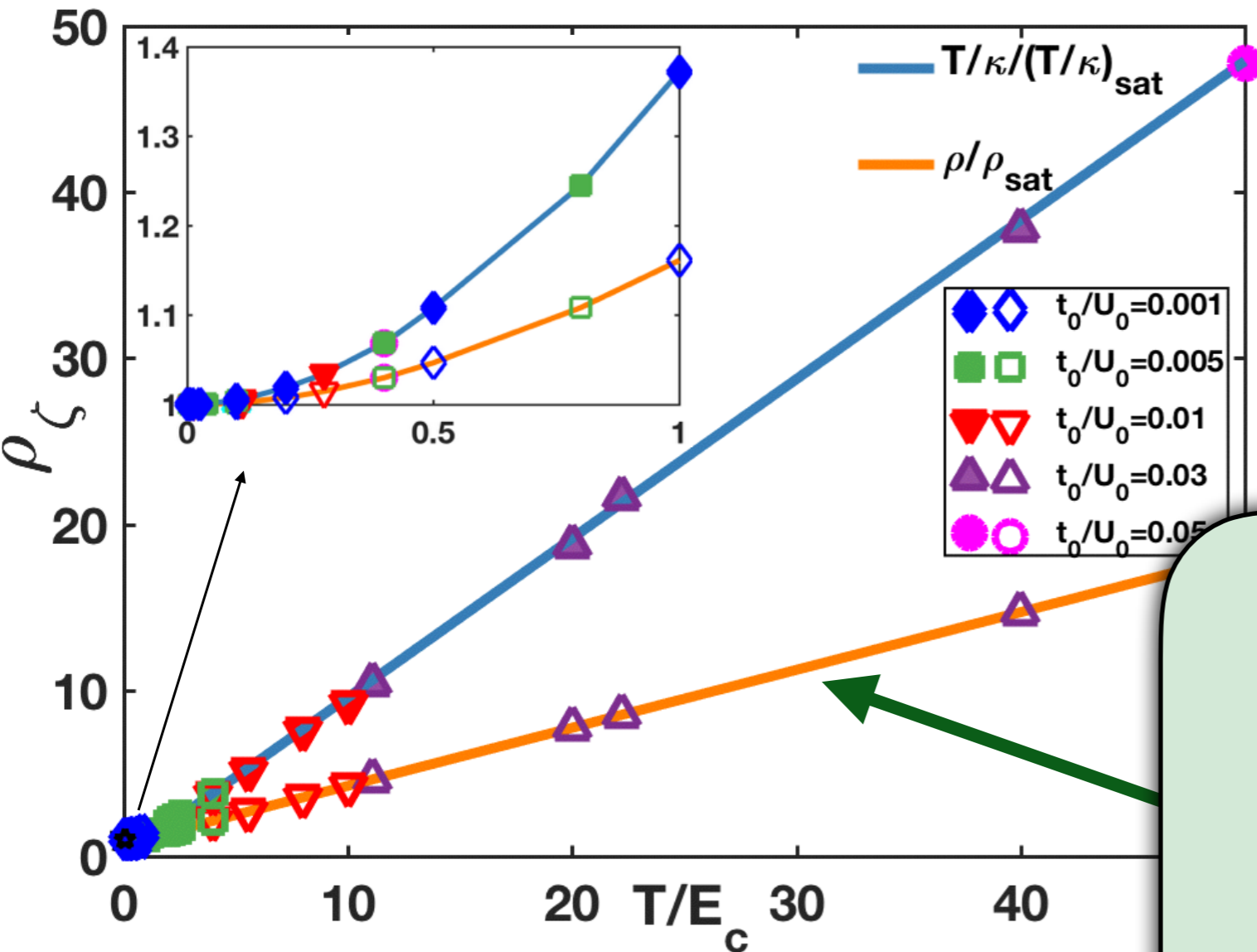
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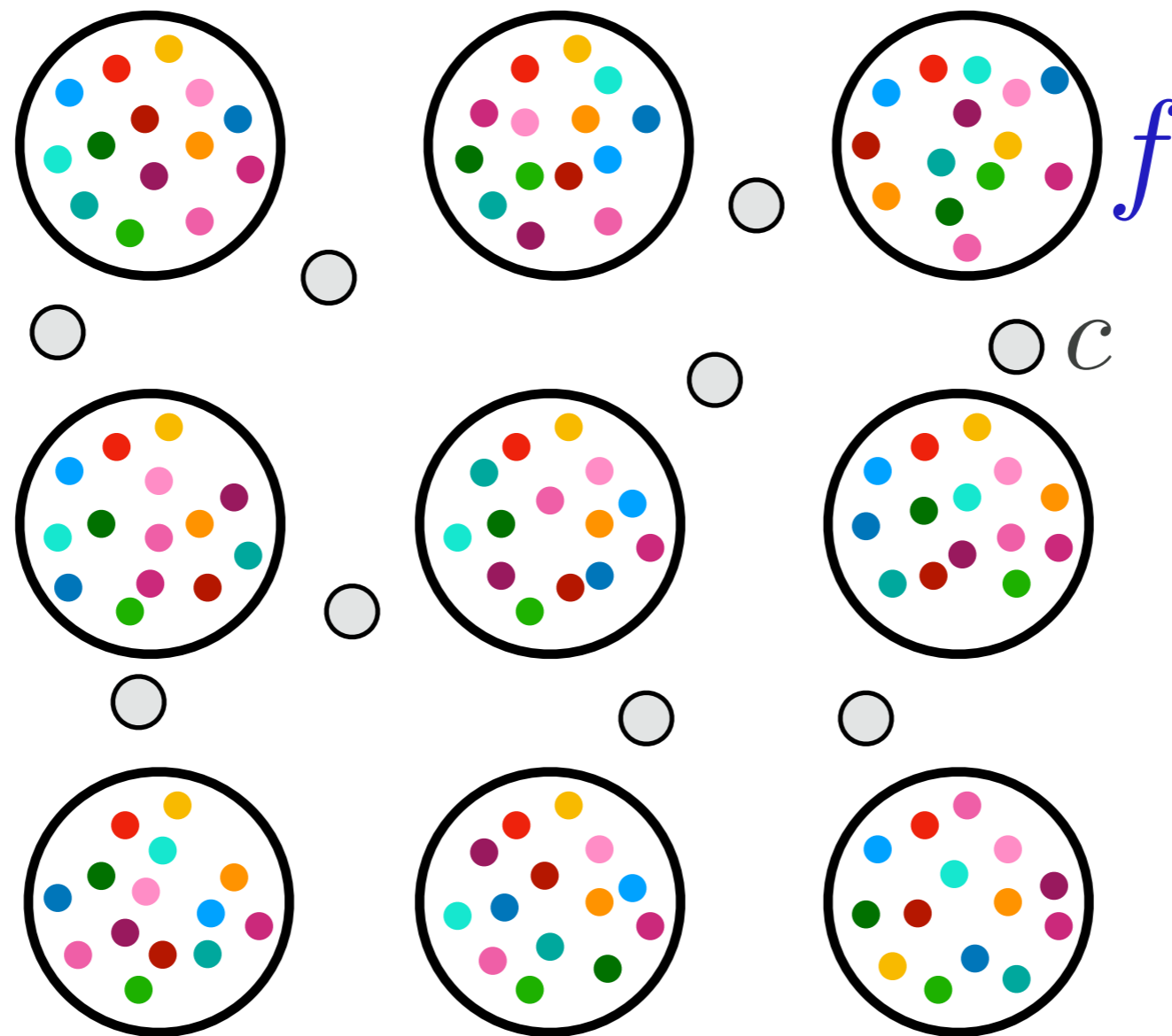
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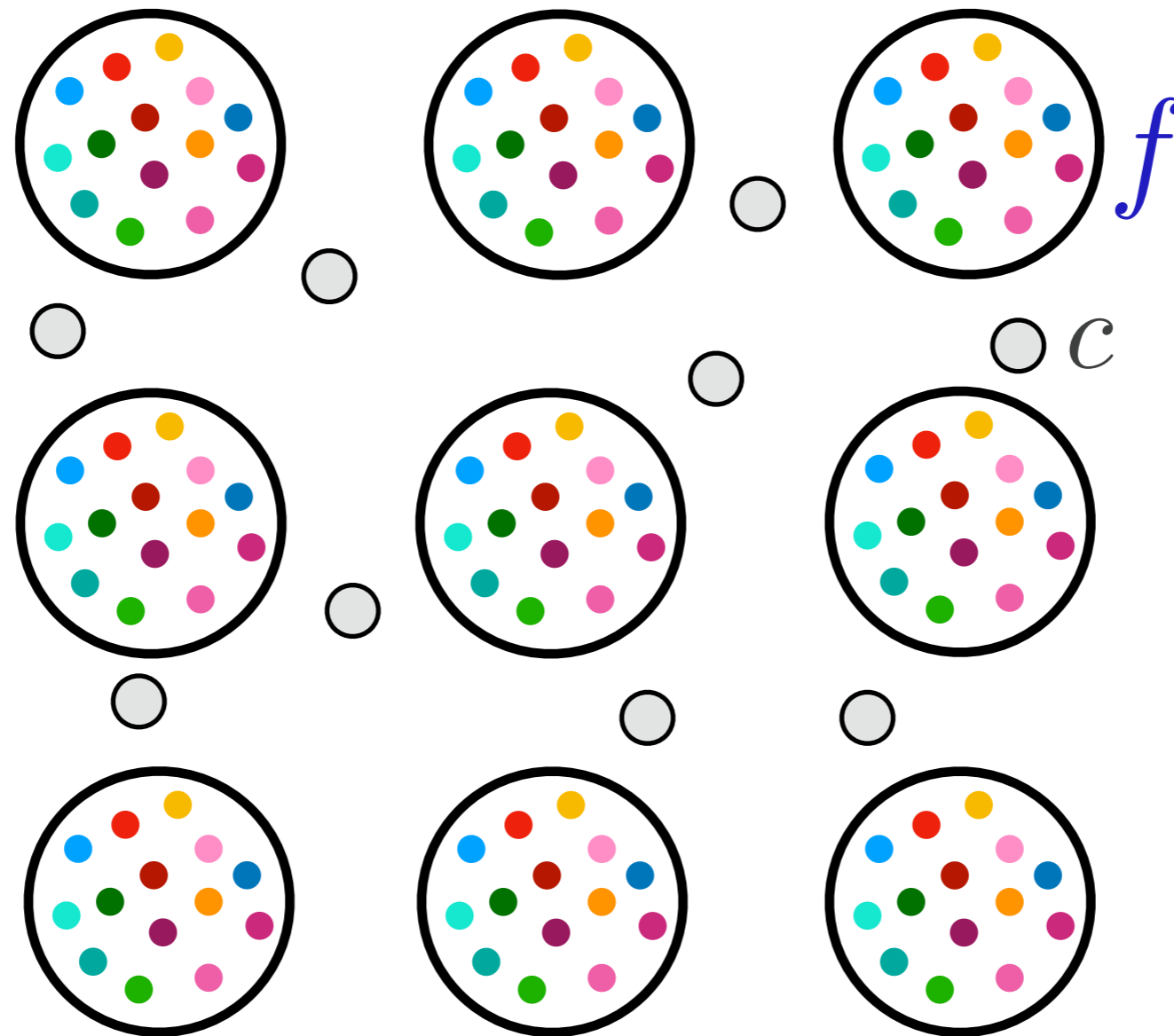
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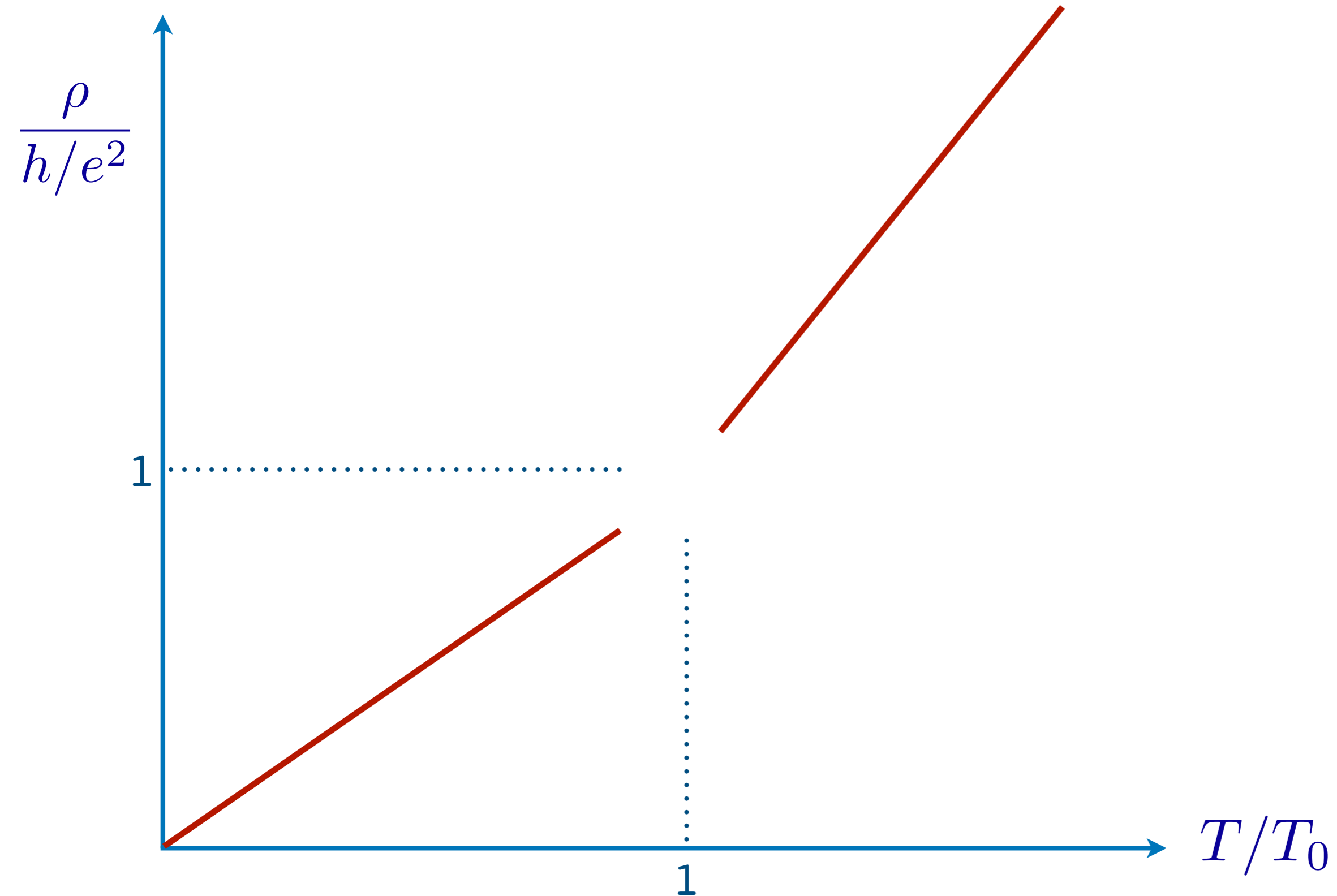
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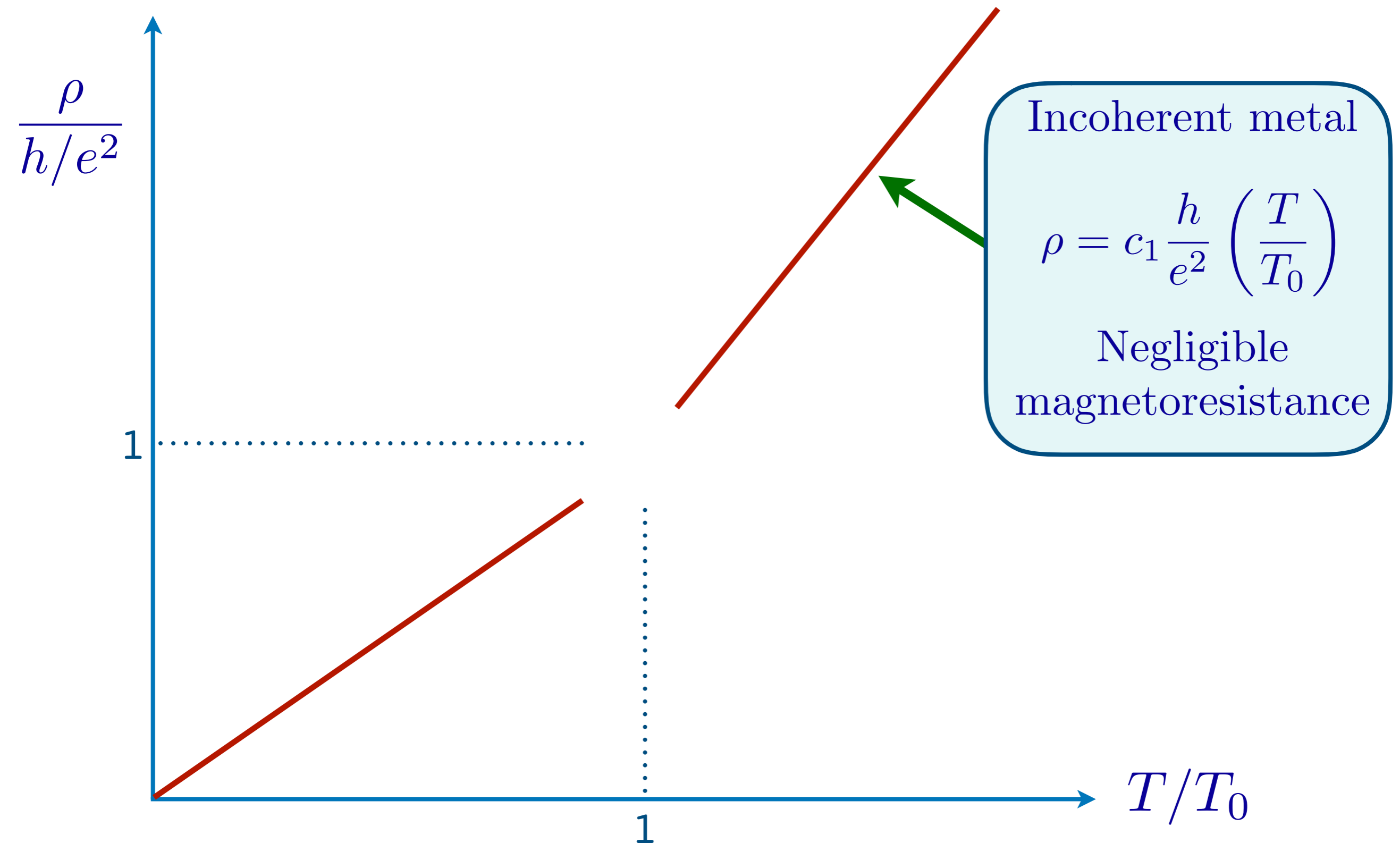
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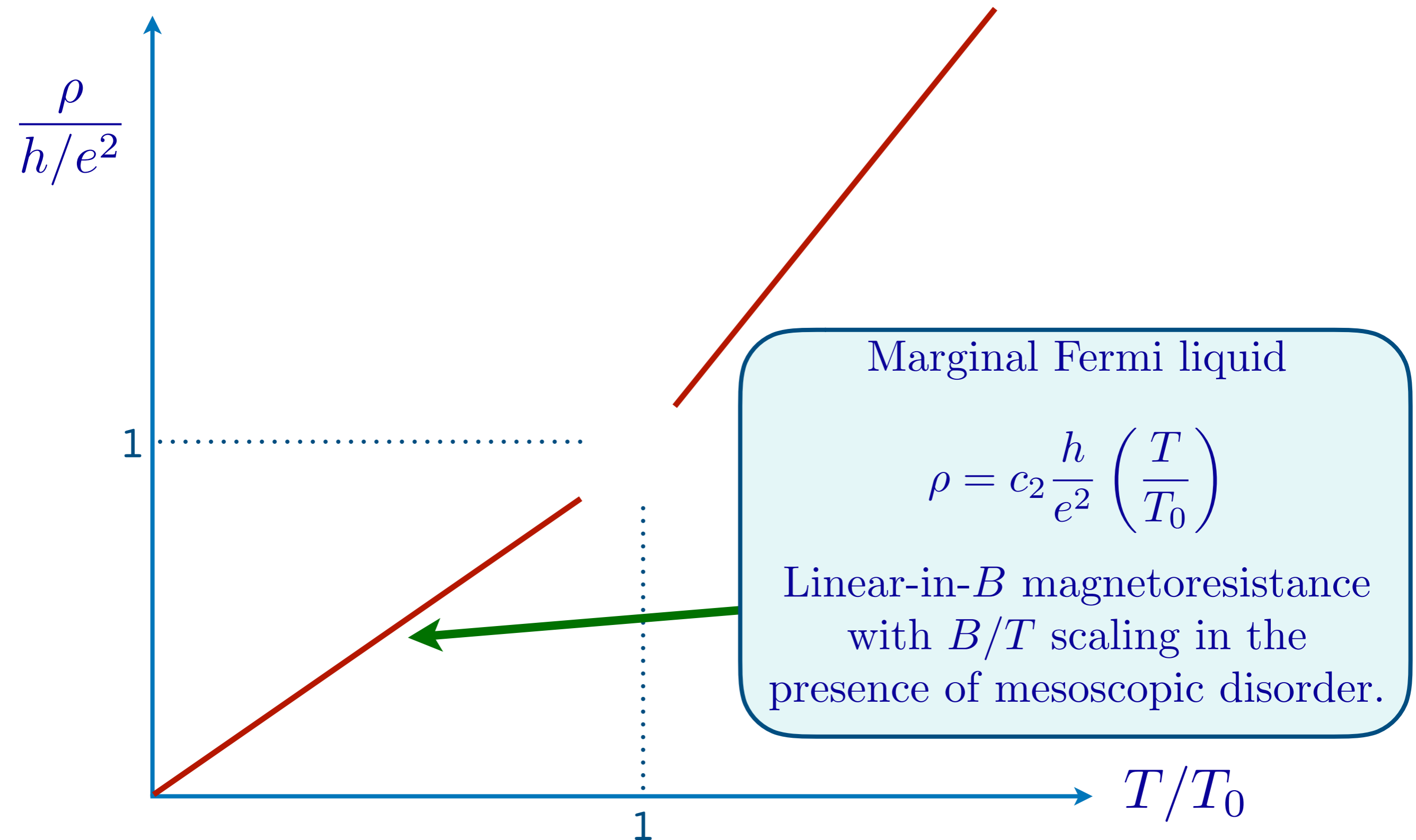
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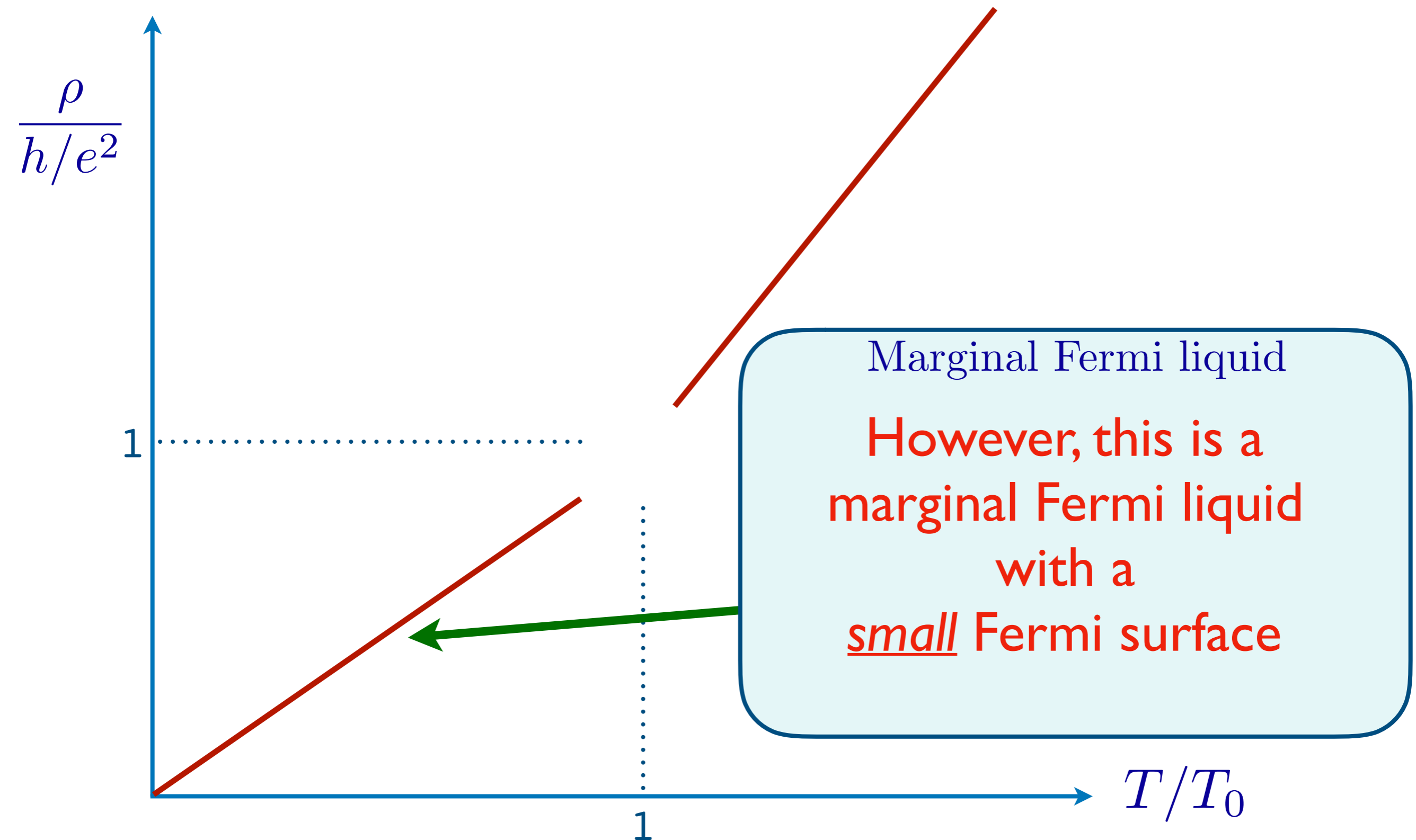
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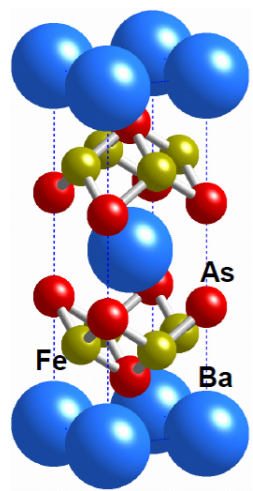
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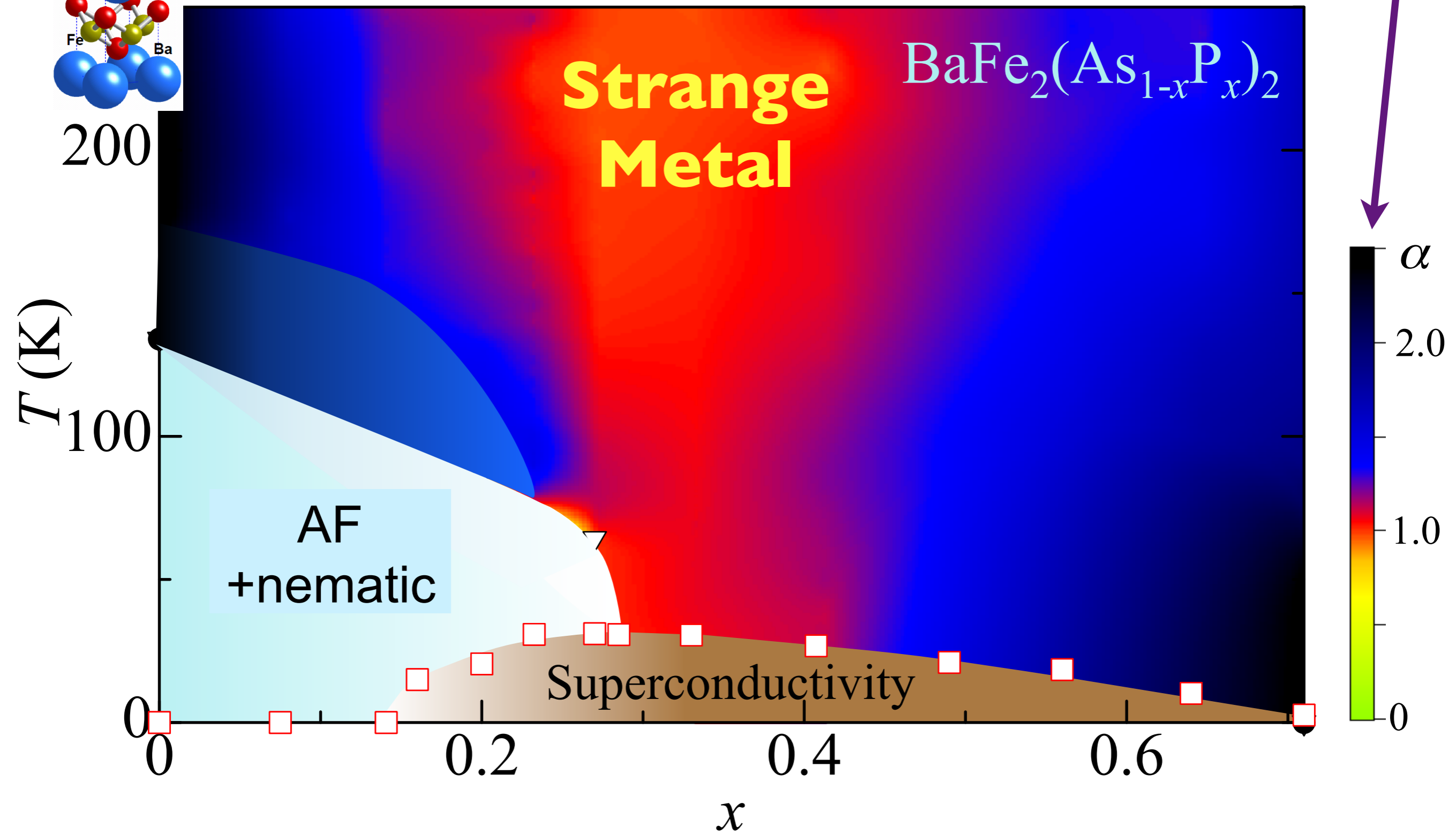


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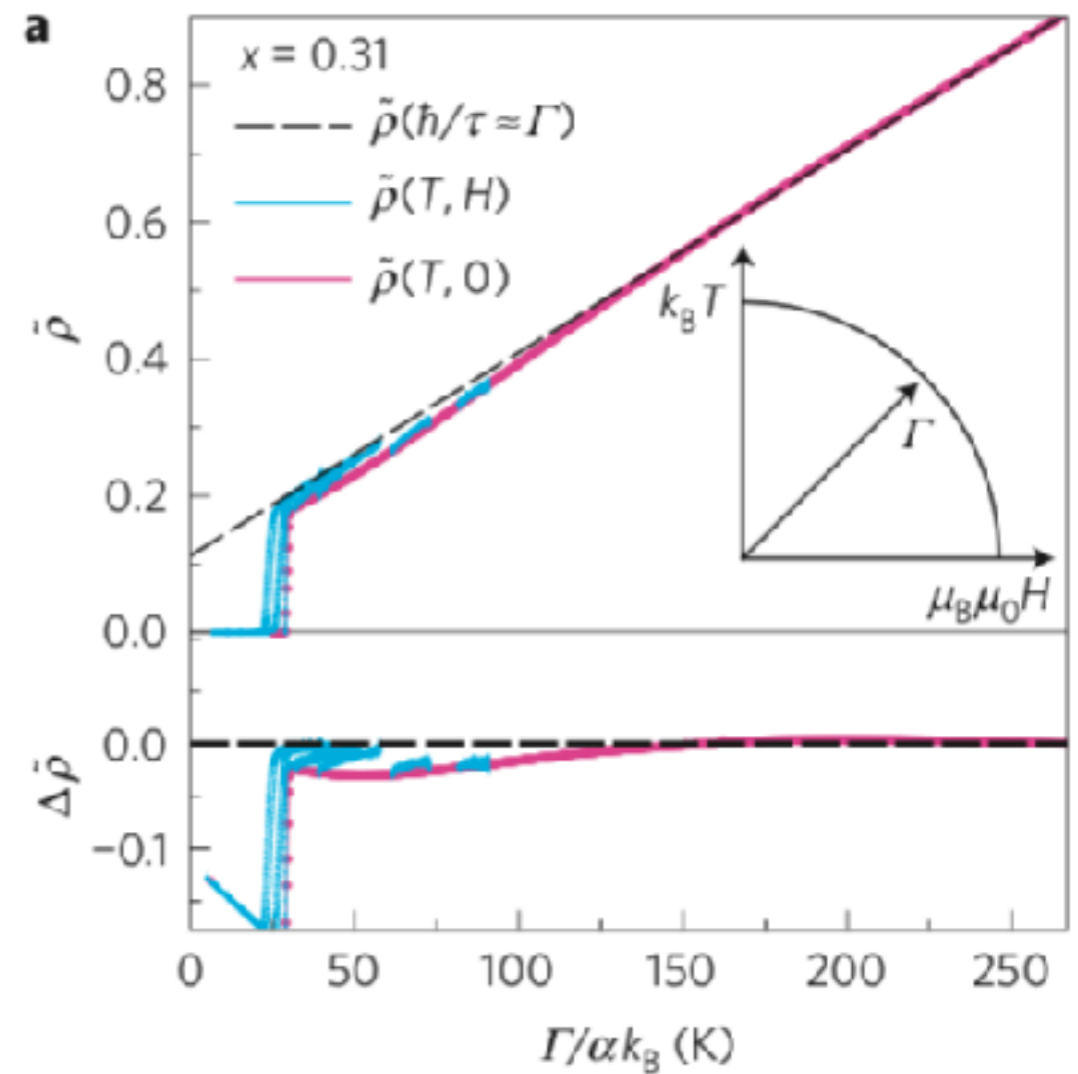
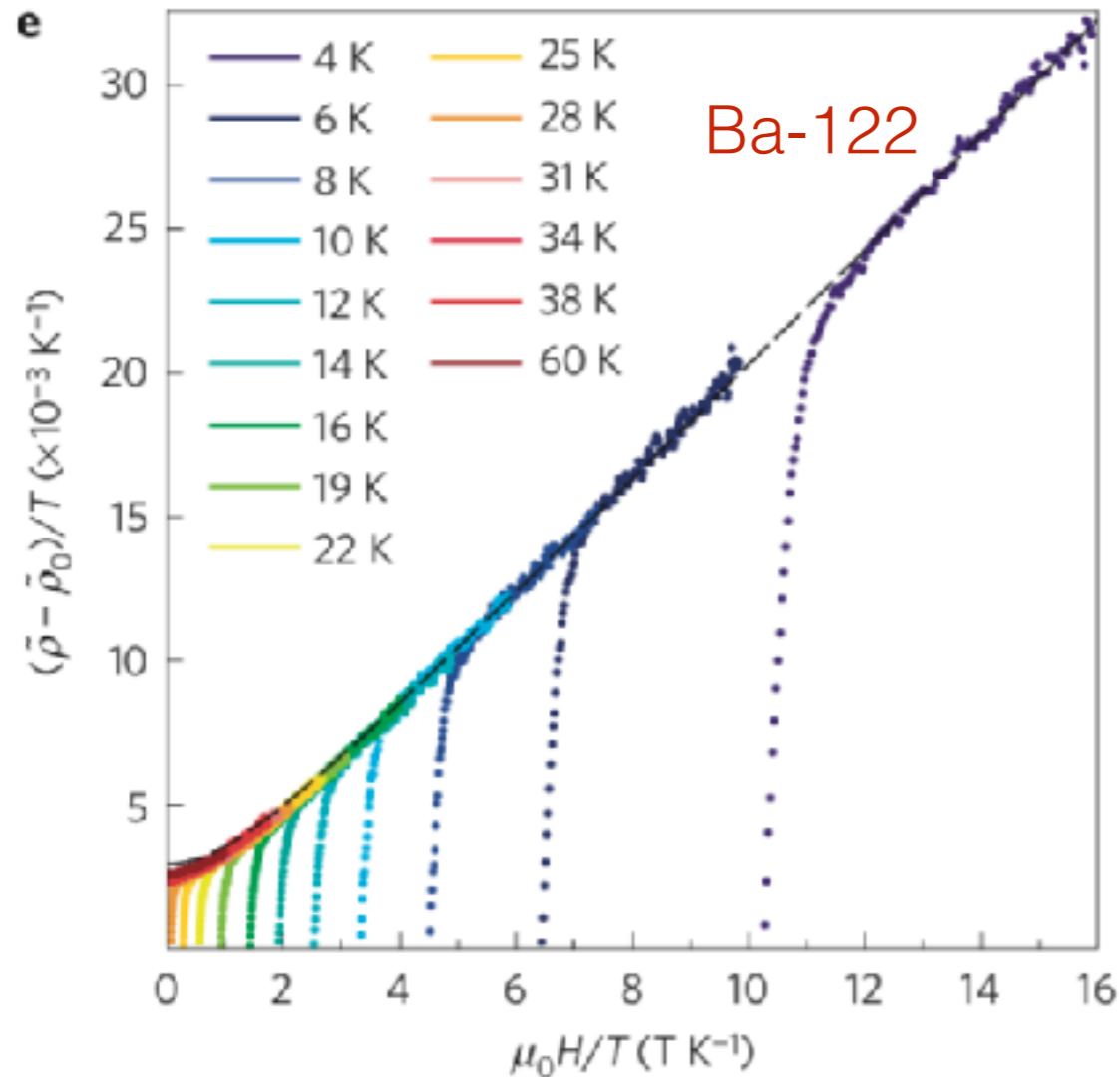


Resistivity
 $\sim \rho_0 + AT^\alpha$



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Linear-in- B magnetoresistance with B/T scaling



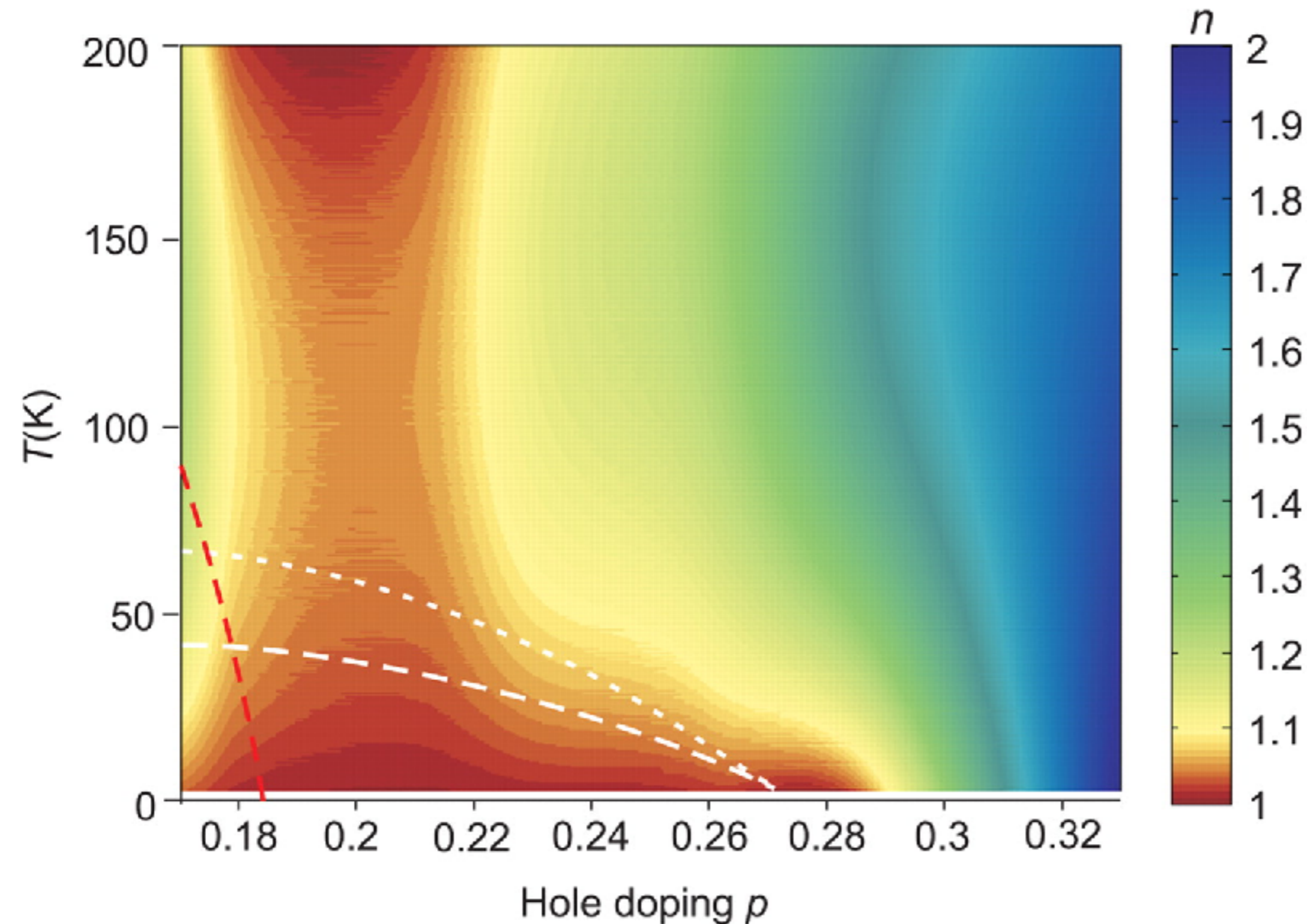
$$\rho(H, T) - \rho(0, 0) \propto \sqrt{(\alpha k_B T)^2 + (\gamma \mu_B \mu_0 H)^2} \equiv \Gamma$$

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From the resistivity, they determined the value of the number α defined by

$$\rho(T) = \rho_0 + \alpha \frac{h}{2e^2} \left(\frac{T}{T_F} \right)$$

where $T_F = (\pi\hbar^2/k_B)(n/m^*)$ and m^* is determined from the specific heat. This expression is obtained from the Drude form $\rho = m^*/(ne^2\tau)$ and $\hbar/\tau = \alpha k_B T$.

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| Material | | n (10^{27} m^{-3}) | m^* (m_0) | A_1 / d (Ω / K) | $h / (2e^2 T_F)$ (Ω / K) | α |
|----------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---------------|
| Bi2212 | $p = 0.23$ | 6.8 | 8.4 ± 1.6 | 8.0 ± 0.9 | 7.4 ± 1.4 | 1.1 ± 0.3 |
| Bi2201 | $p \sim 0.4$ | 3.5 | 7 ± 1.5 | 8 ± 2 | 8 ± 2 | 1.0 ± 0.4 |
| LSCO | $p = 0.26$ | 7.8 | 9.8 ± 1.7 | 8.2 ± 1.0 | 8.9 ± 1.8 | 0.9 ± 0.3 |
| Nd-LSCO | $p = 0.24$ | 7.9 | 12 ± 4 | 7.4 ± 0.8 | 10.6 ± 3.7 | 0.7 ± 0.4 |
| PCCO | $x = 0.17$ | 8.8 | 2.4 ± 0.1 | 1.7 ± 0.3 | 2.1 ± 0.1 | 0.8 ± 0.2 |
| LCCO | $x = 0.15$ | 9.0 | 3.0 ± 0.3 | 3.0 ± 0.45 | 2.6 ± 0.3 | 1.2 ± 0.3 |
| TMTSF | $P = 11 \text{ kbar}$ | 1.4 | 1.15 ± 0.2 | 2.8 ± 0.3 | 2.8 ± 0.4 | 1.0 ± 0.3 |

Slope of T -linear resistivity vs Planckian limit in seven materials.

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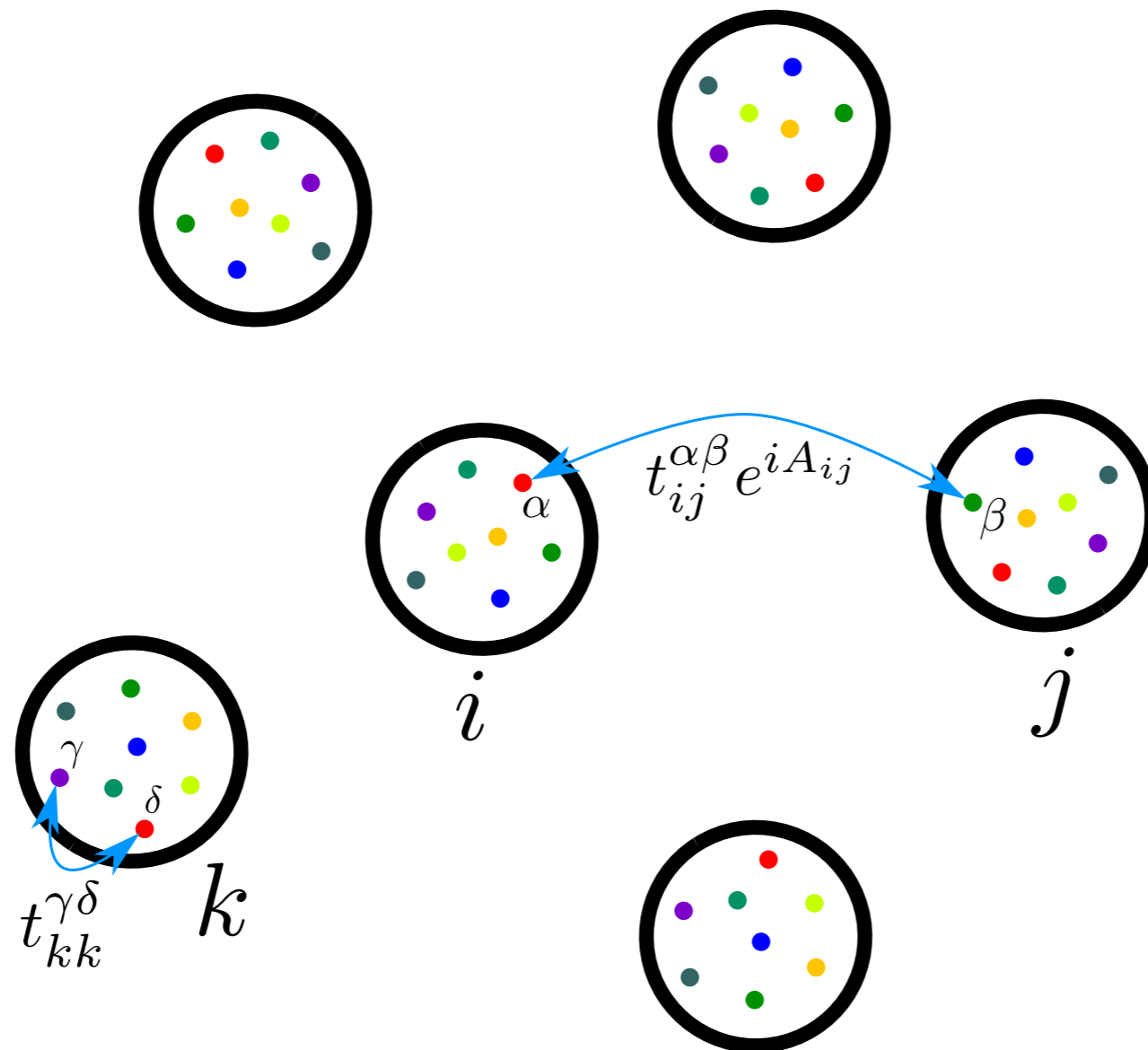
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$$H = -\frac{1}{(MN)^{1/2}} \sum_{ij=1}^N \sum_{\alpha\beta=1}^M \left[t_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} e^{iA_{ij}} f_{i\alpha}^\dagger f_{j\beta} + (MN)^{1/2} \mu \delta_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} f_{i\alpha}^\dagger f_{i\alpha} \right]$$

$$\ll t_{ij}^{\alpha\beta} t_{ji}^{\beta\alpha} \gg = \ll |t_{ij}^{\alpha\beta}|^2 \gg = t^2, \quad A_{ji} = -A_{ij}.$$

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$$\Sigma(i\omega_n) = t^2 G(i\omega_n) + t^2 T \sum_{\Omega_m \neq 0} \frac{G(i\omega_n + i\Omega_m) - G(i\omega_n)}{\Pi(i\Omega_m) - \Pi(i\Omega_m = 0)},$$

$$\Pi(i\Omega_m) = 2t^2 T \frac{M}{N} \sum_{\omega_n} G(i\omega_n) G(i\omega_n + i\Omega_m), \quad G(i\omega_n) = \frac{1}{i\omega_n + \mu - \Sigma(i\omega_n)}.$$

$$\Sigma = \text{diagram 1} + \text{diagram 2} - \frac{1}{2} \text{diagram 3} - \frac{1}{2} \text{diagram 4}$$

The diagrams represent self-energy corrections to the fermion propagator. Diagram 1 is a bare propagator with a dashed blue loop. Diagram 2 has a red circle on top and a dashed blue loop below. Diagram 3 has a red circle on top and a dashed blue loop below, with a factor of 1/2. Diagram 4 has a red circle on top and a dashed blue loop below, with a factor of 1/2.

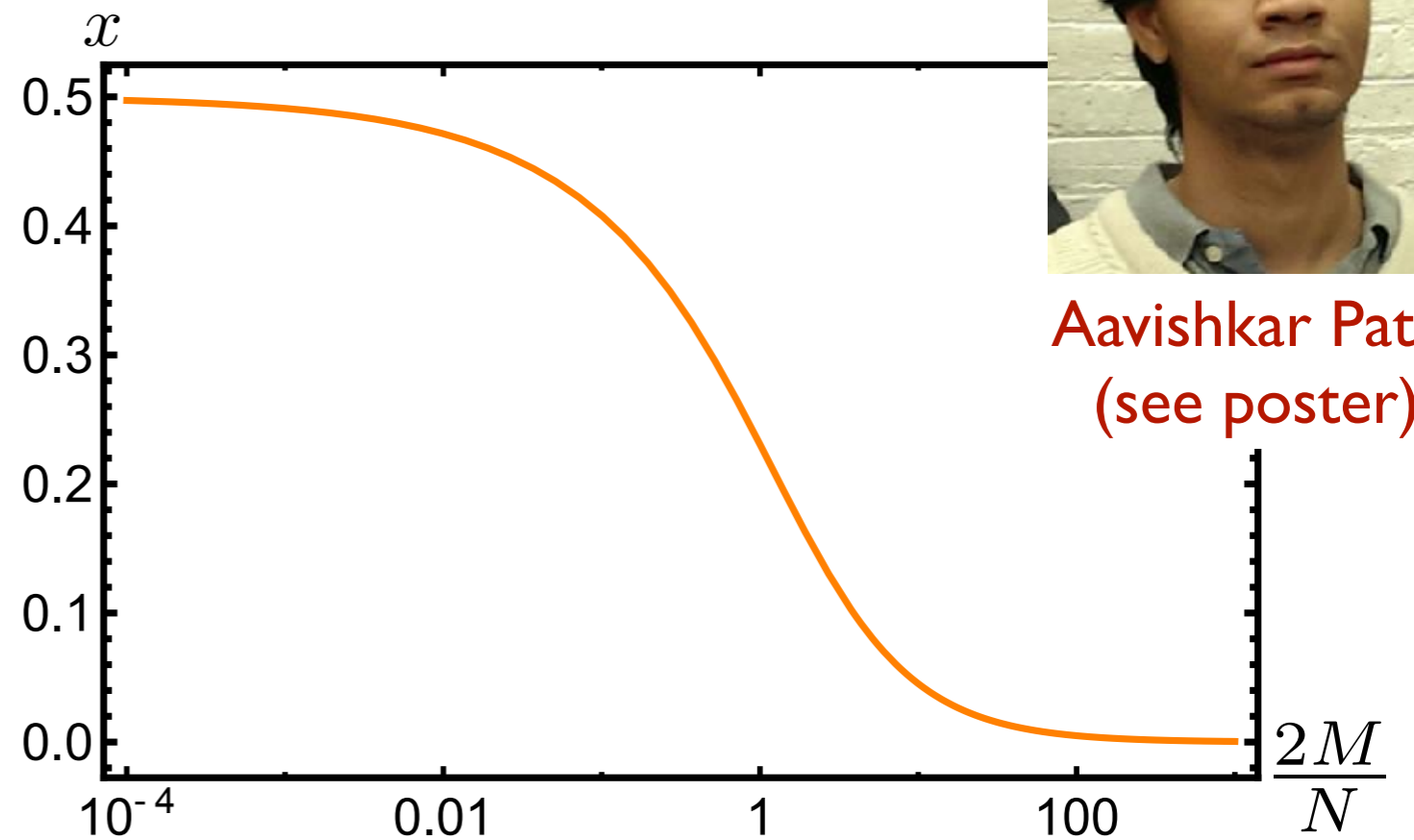
$$\tilde{\Pi} = \text{diagram 5} - \text{diagram 6}$$

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General low energy solution

$$G(\tau > 0) = -\frac{C(\mathcal{E})}{t^{1-x}\tau^{1-x}}, \quad G(\tau < 0) = \frac{C(\mathcal{E})e^{-2\pi\mathcal{E}}}{t^{1-x}|\tau|^{1-x}}.$$

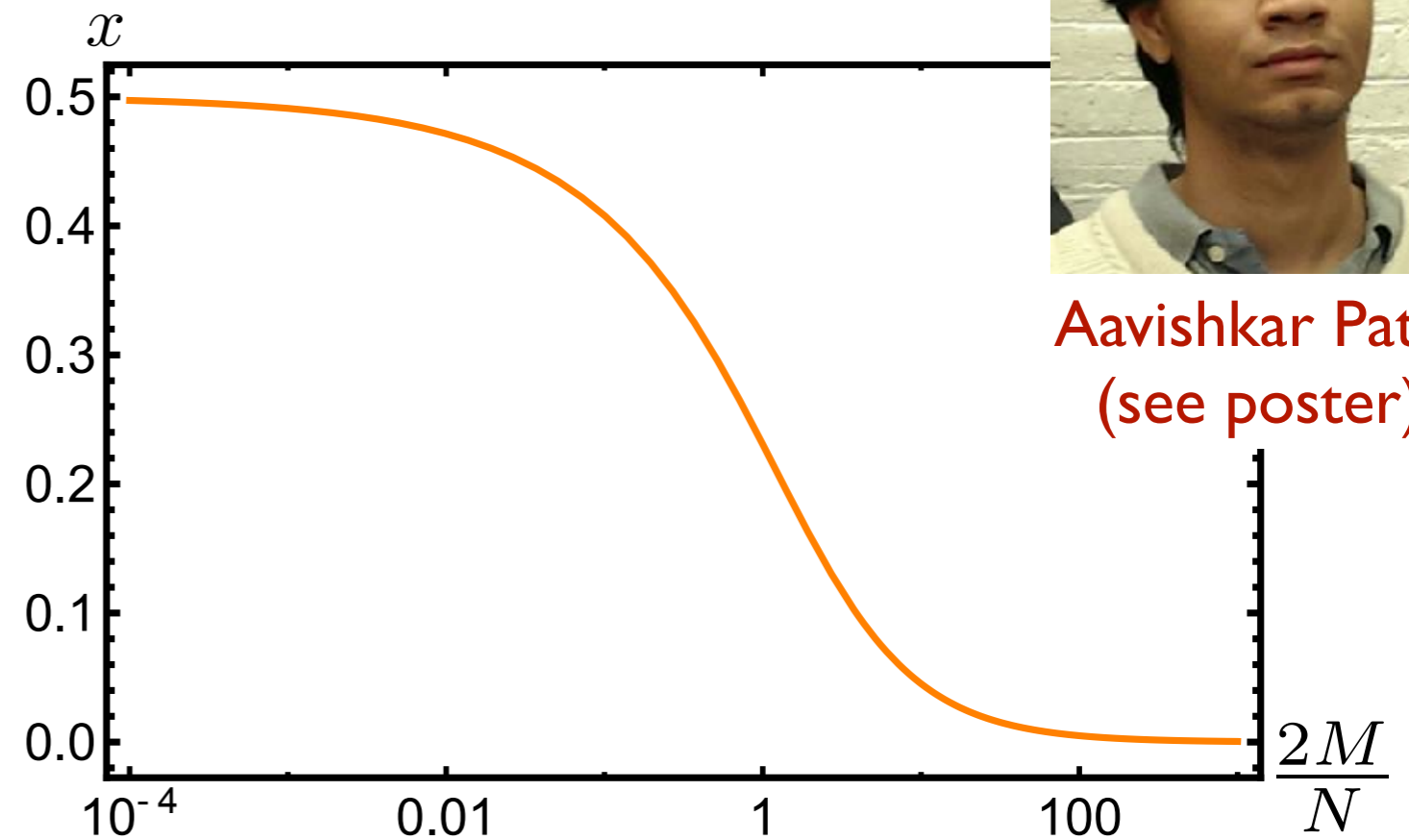
where \mathcal{E} is a parameter universally related to the filling fraction ($\mathcal{E} = 0$ at half-filling). The exponent x is the solution to

$$\frac{(1/x - 2)(\cosh(2\pi\mathcal{E}) - \cos(\pi x))}{\tan(\pi x) \sin(\pi x)} = \frac{2M}{N}.$$

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$$\text{Resistivity } \rho \sim \frac{h}{e^2} \left(\frac{T}{t} \right)^{2x}$$

Disordered strange metal as $T \rightarrow 0$
with all electrons contributing to transport.

The SYK model

No quasiparticles

- Rapid local thermal equilibration (of fermion correlators) in a ‘Planckian’ time

$$\tau_{\text{eq}} \sim \frac{\hbar}{k_B T}, \quad \text{as } T \rightarrow 0.$$

A. Georges and O. Parcollet
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A. Eberlein, V. Kasper, S. Sachdev, and
J. Steinberg, PRB **96**, 205123 (2017)

- Presence of quasiparticles should slow down thermalization, so *all* quantum systems obey

$$\tau_{\text{eq}} > C \frac{\hbar}{k_B T}, \quad \text{as } T \rightarrow 0.$$

S. Sachdev, *Quantum Phase Transitions*,
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