The cuprate phase diagram: theory of the pseudogap metal, d-wave superconductivity, and charge order

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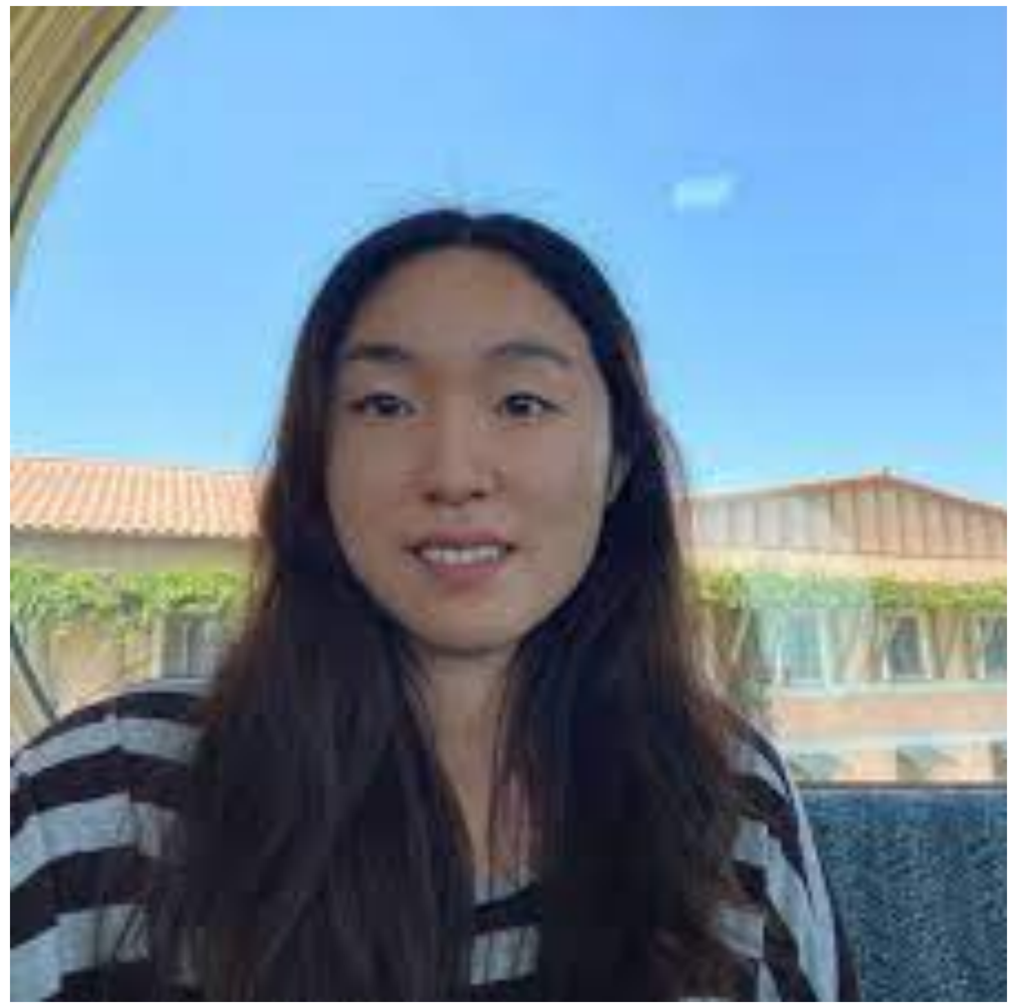

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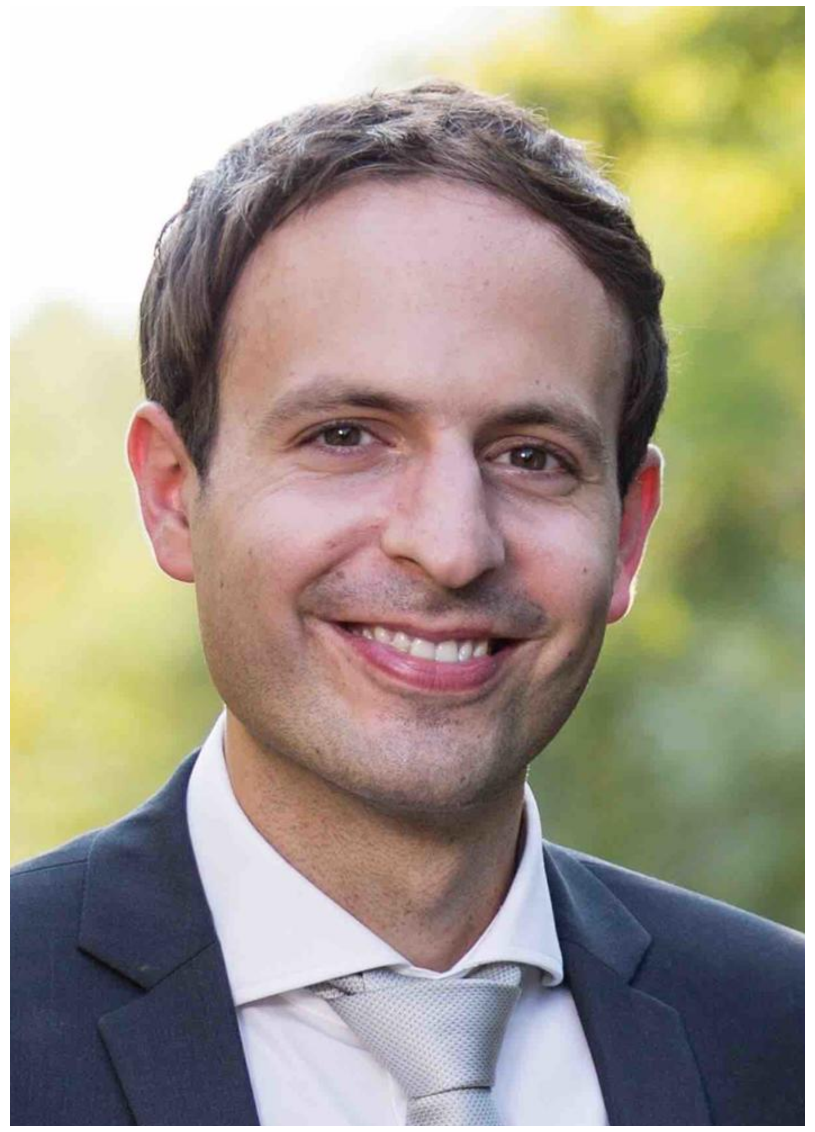

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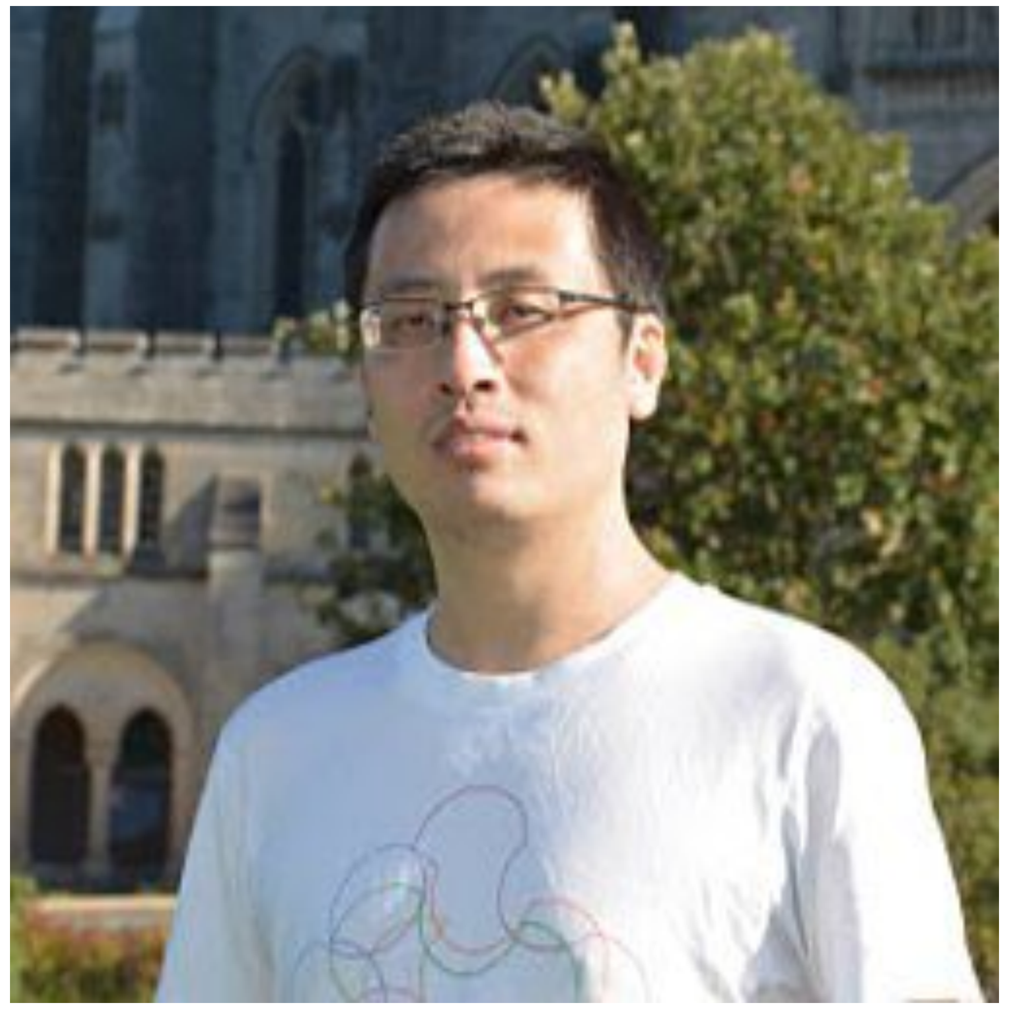

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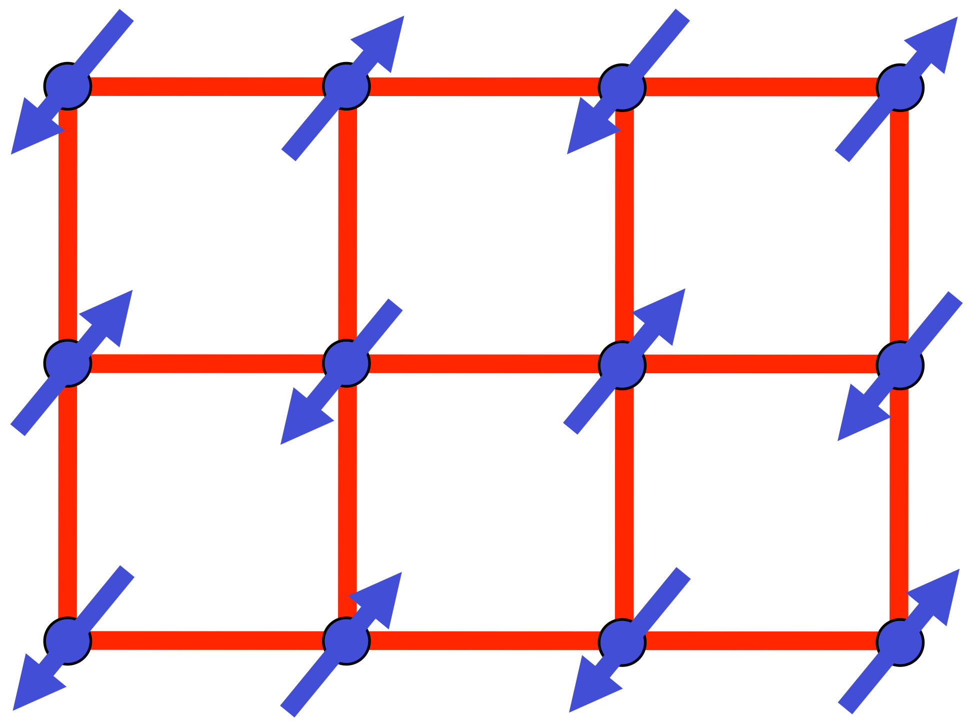

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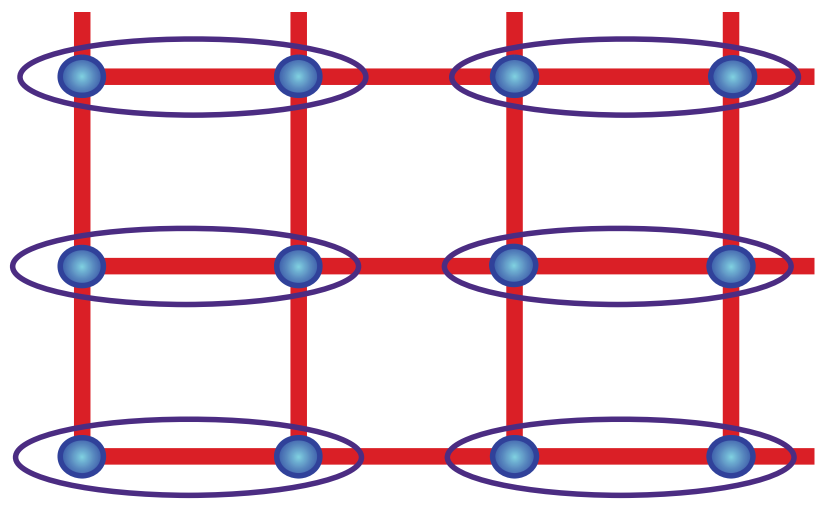

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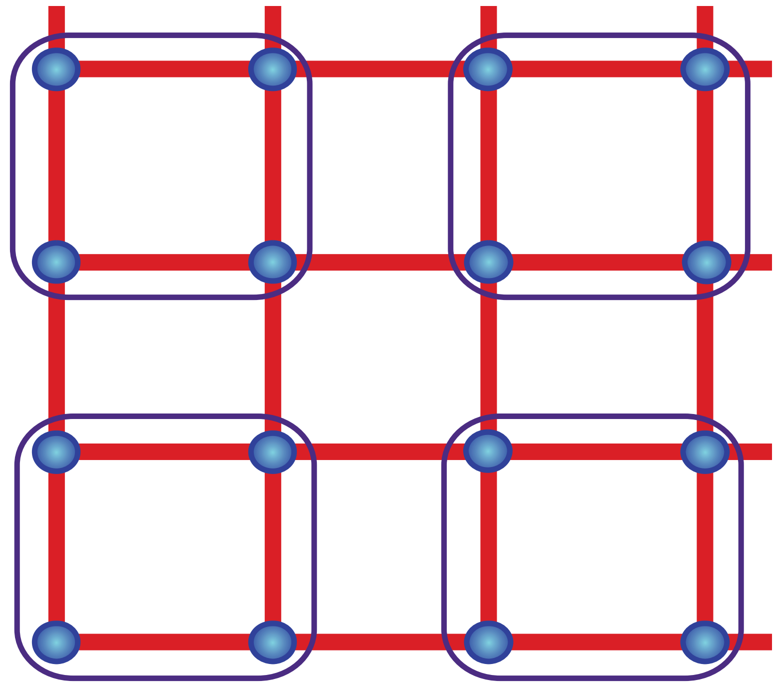

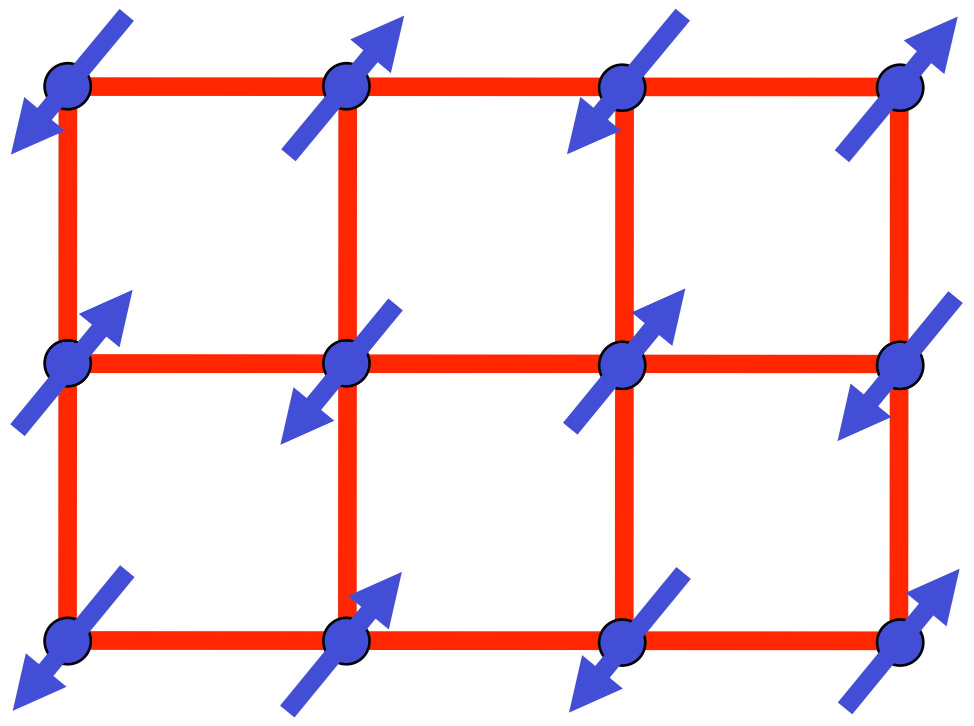

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N. Read and S. Sachdev, Physical Review Letters **62**, 1694 (1989)

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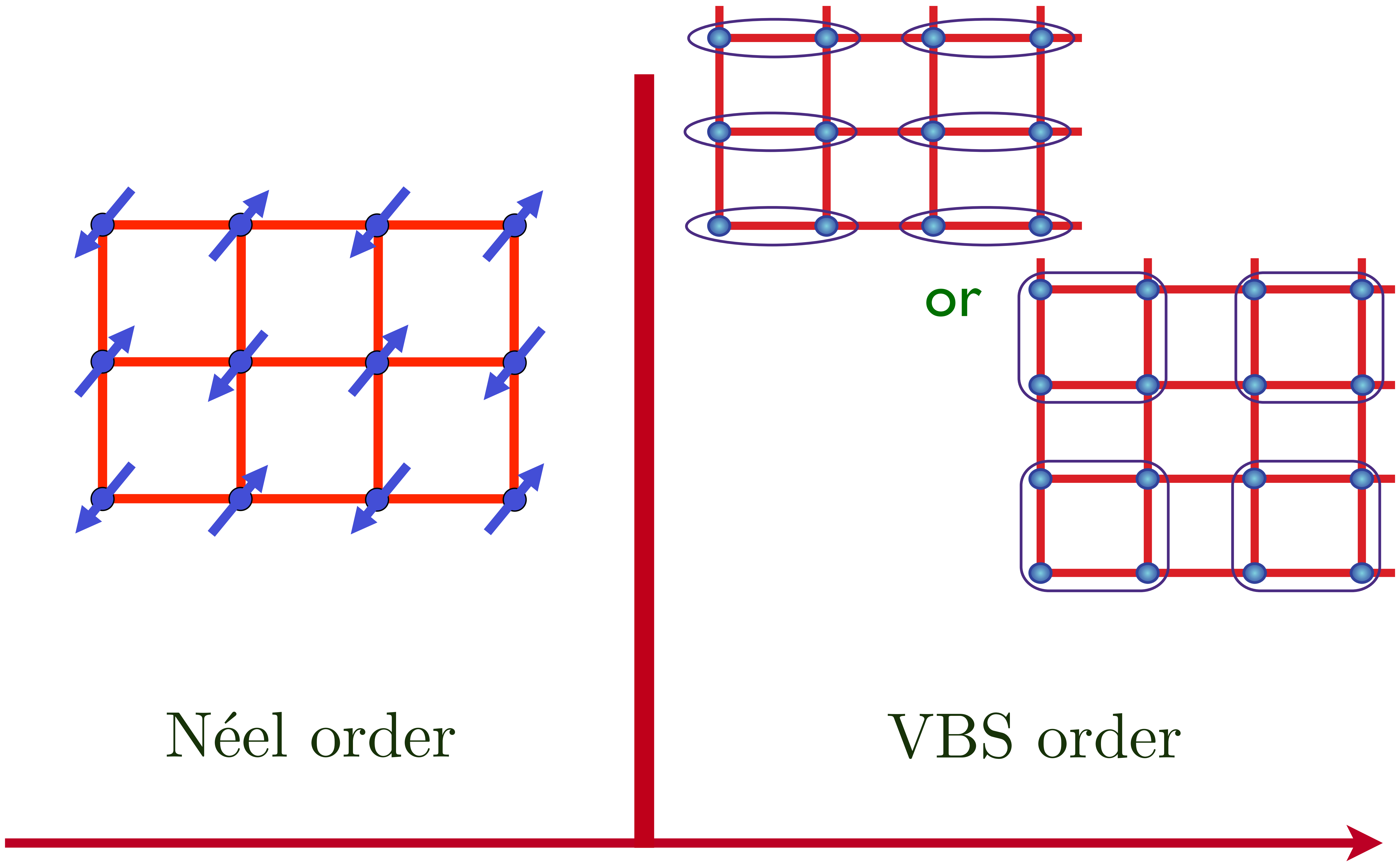

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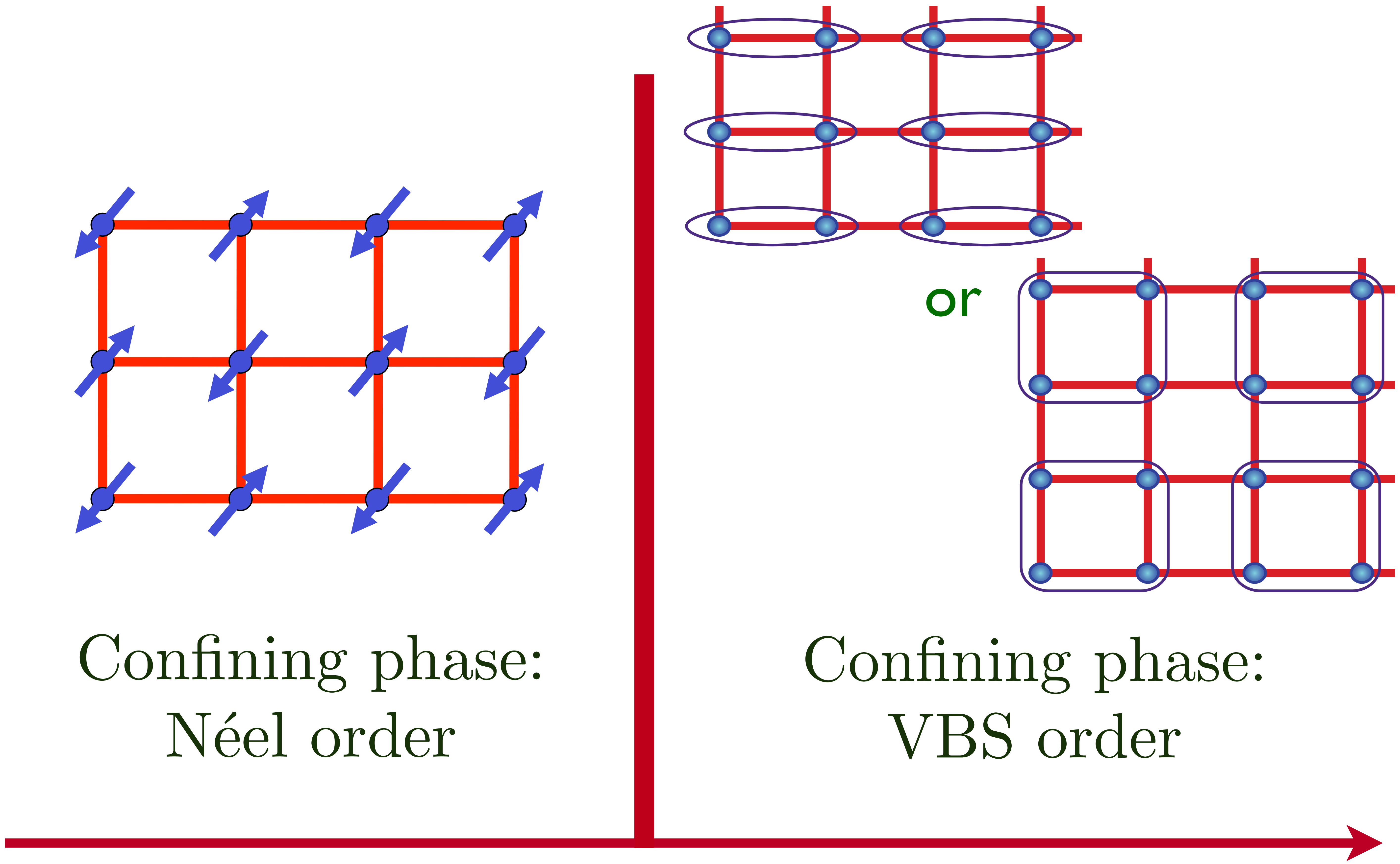

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Dual to $\mathbb{CP}^1$ U(1) gauge theory!

C. Wang, A. Nahum, M. A. Metlitski, C. Xu, and T. Senthil, Physical Review X **7**, 031051 (2017)

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$$H = -\frac{t}{2}\sum_i K_i + U\sum_i (n_{i\uparrow} - \tfrac{1}{2})(n_{i\downarrow} - \tfrac{1}{2}) - W\sum_i K_i^2\,,$$

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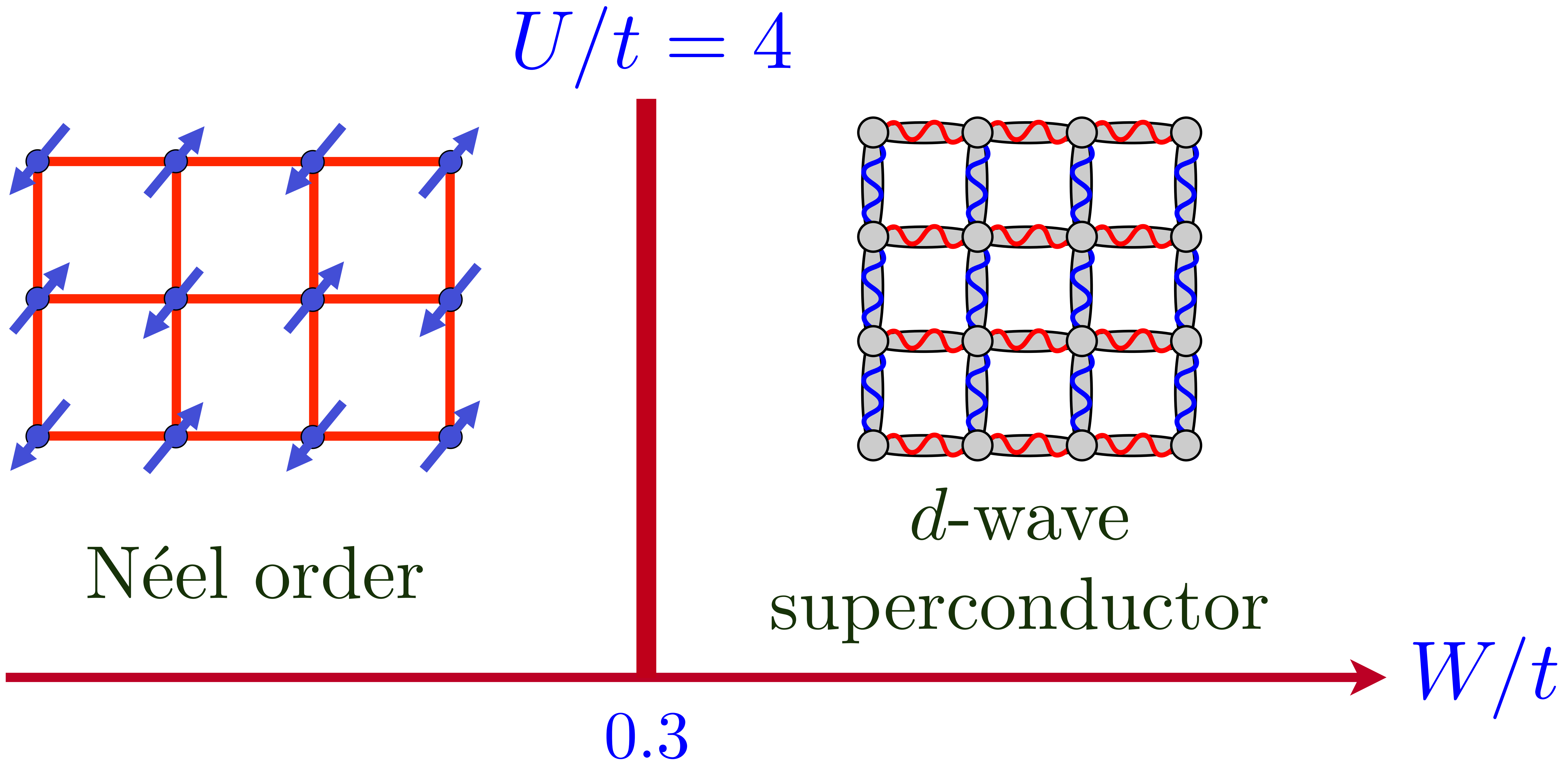

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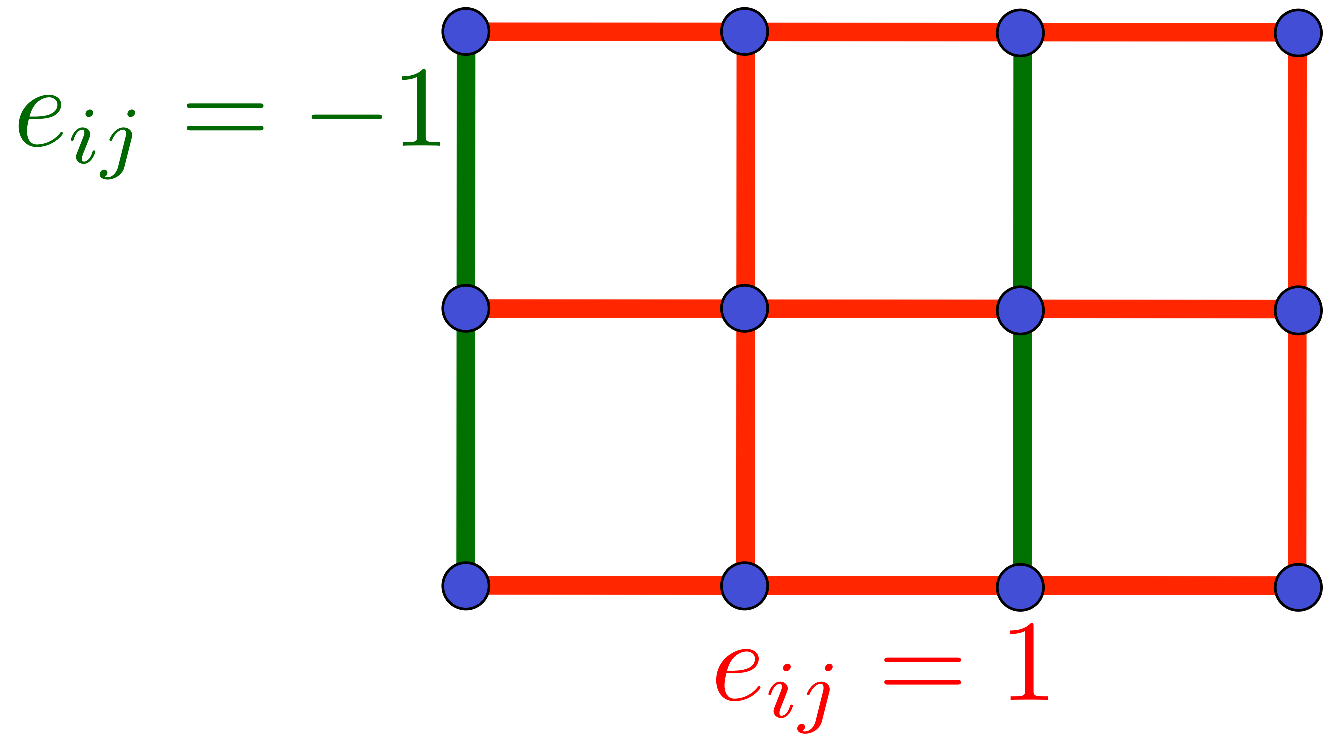

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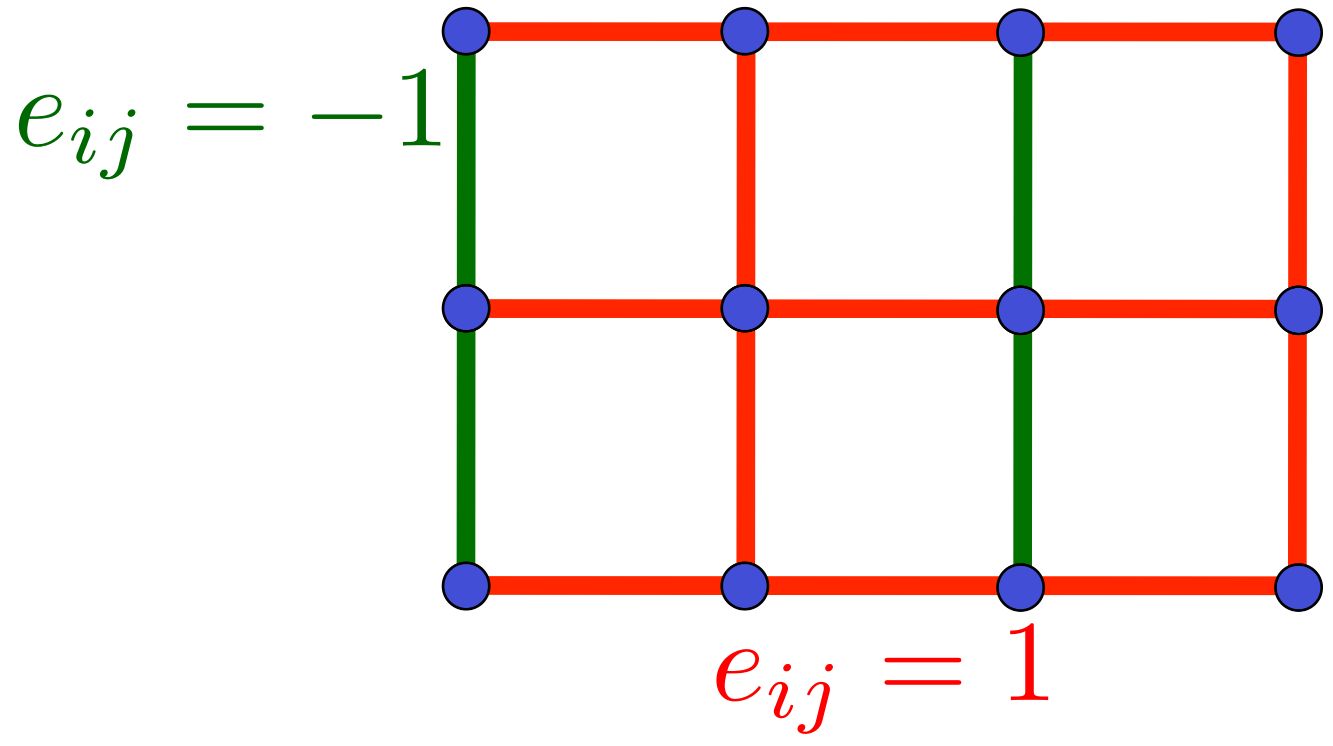

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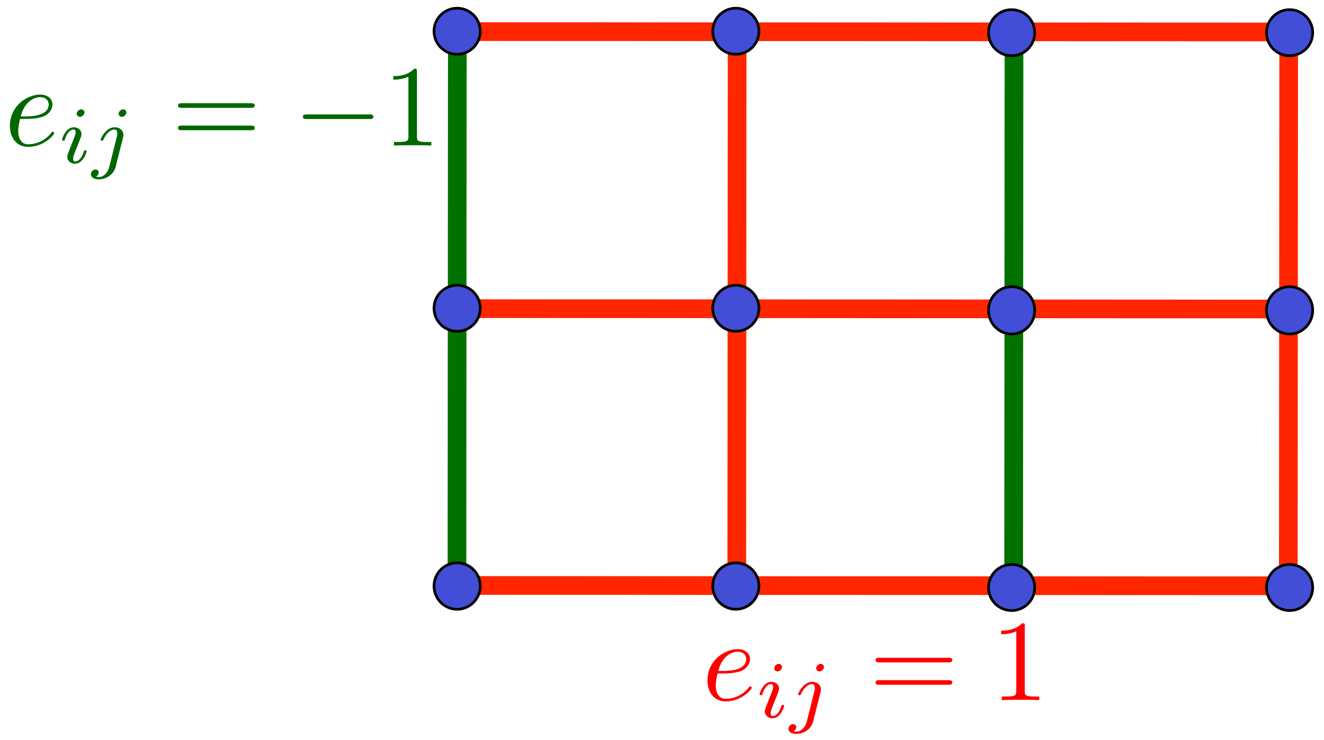

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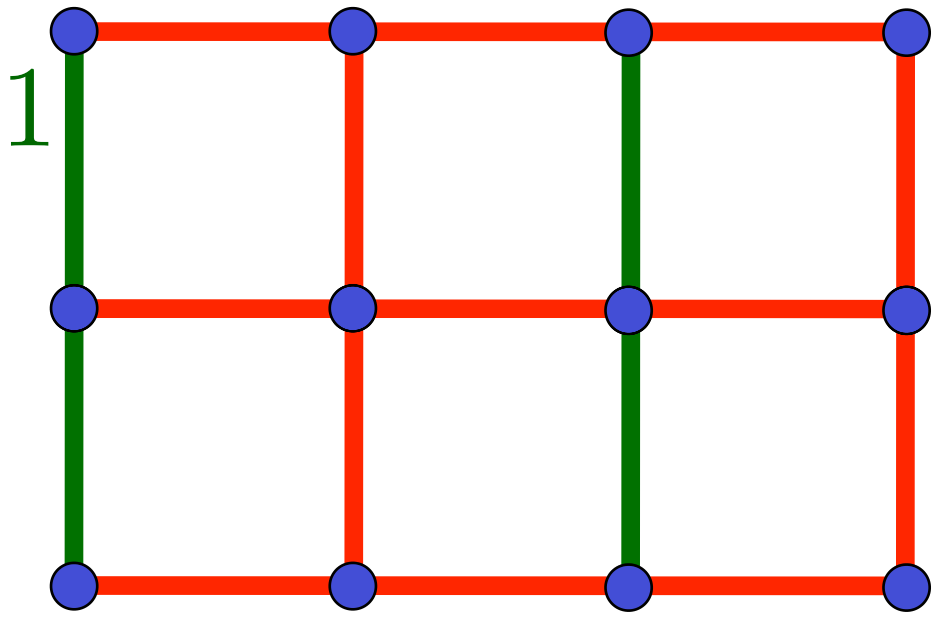

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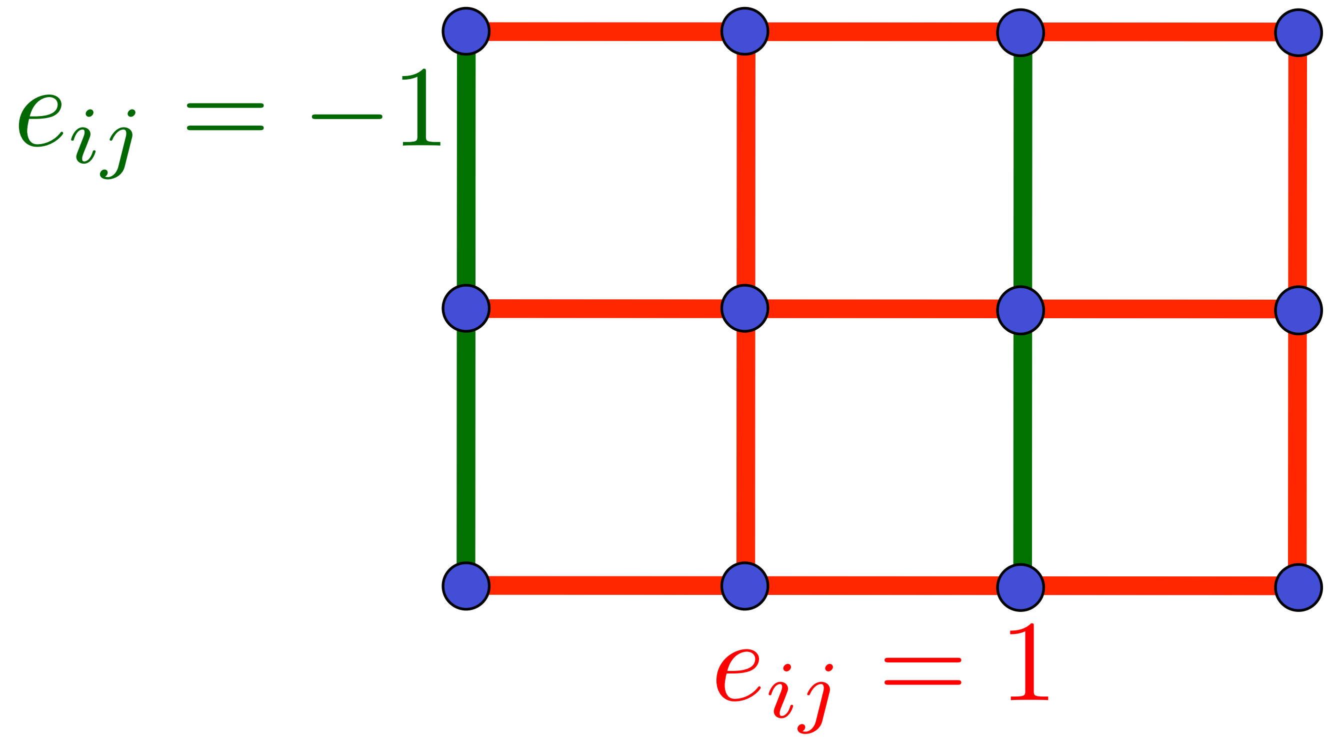

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$$\boxed{H_B = r \sum_i B_i^\dagger B_i + iw \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} e_{ij} \left(B_i^\dagger B_j - B_j^\dagger B_i \right)} + \ldots$$

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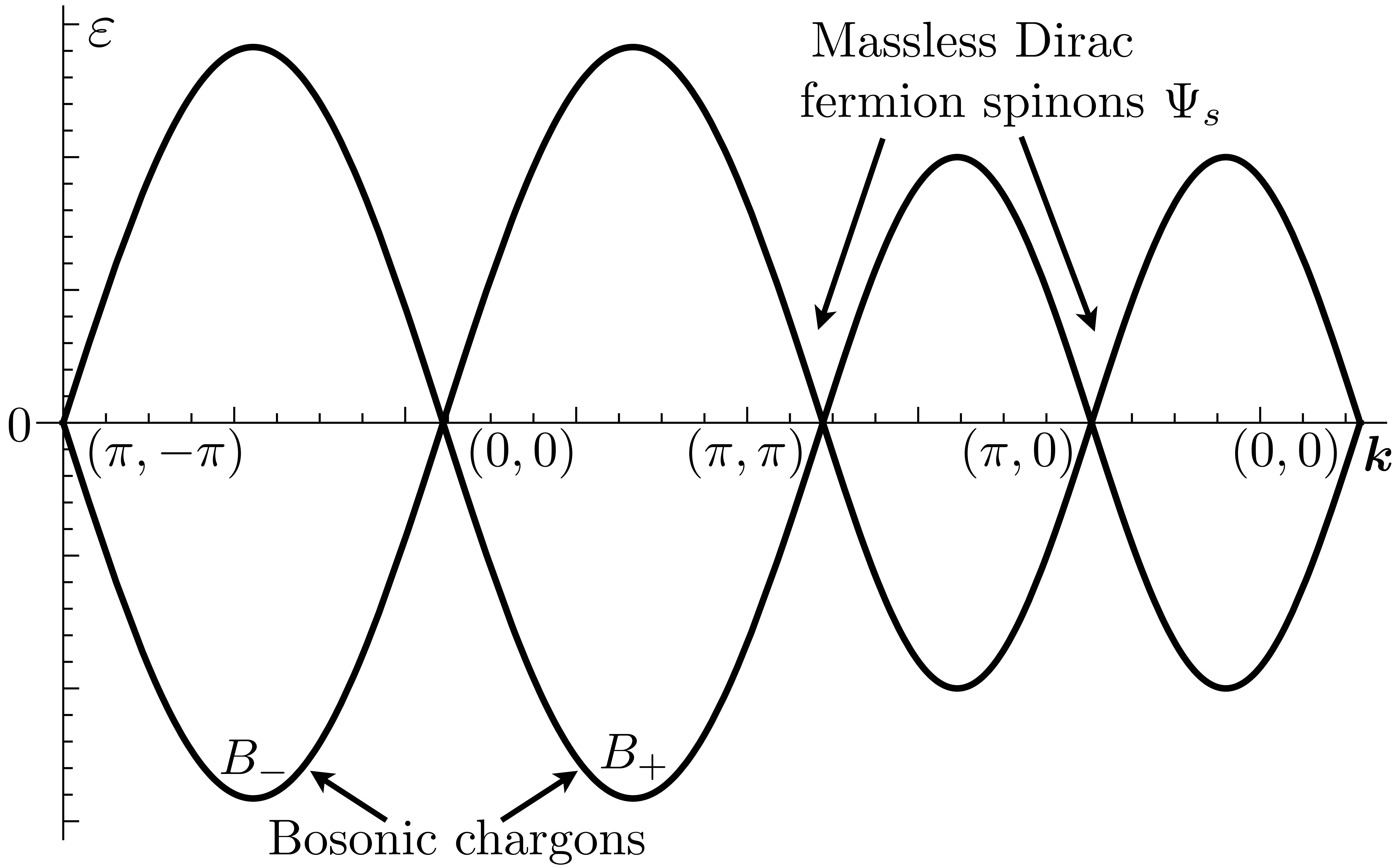

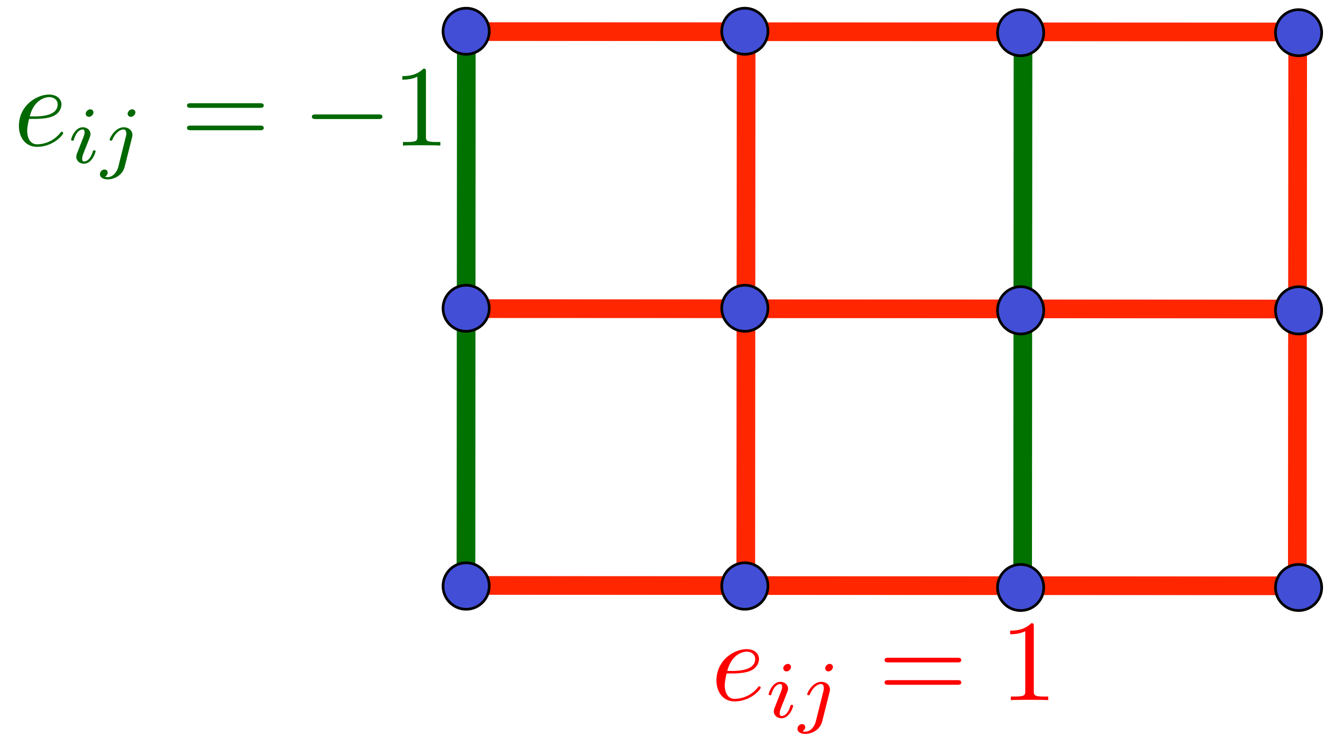

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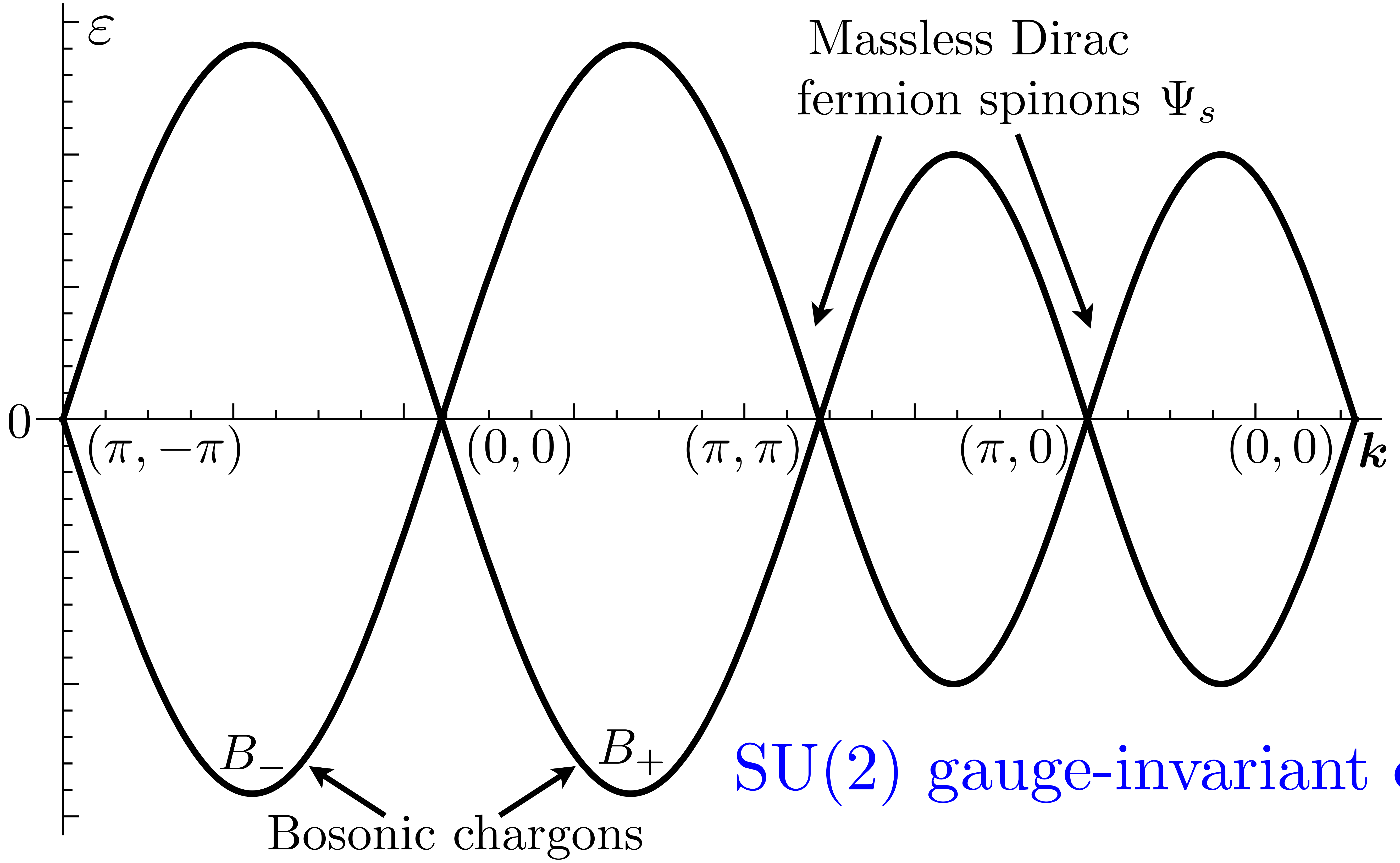

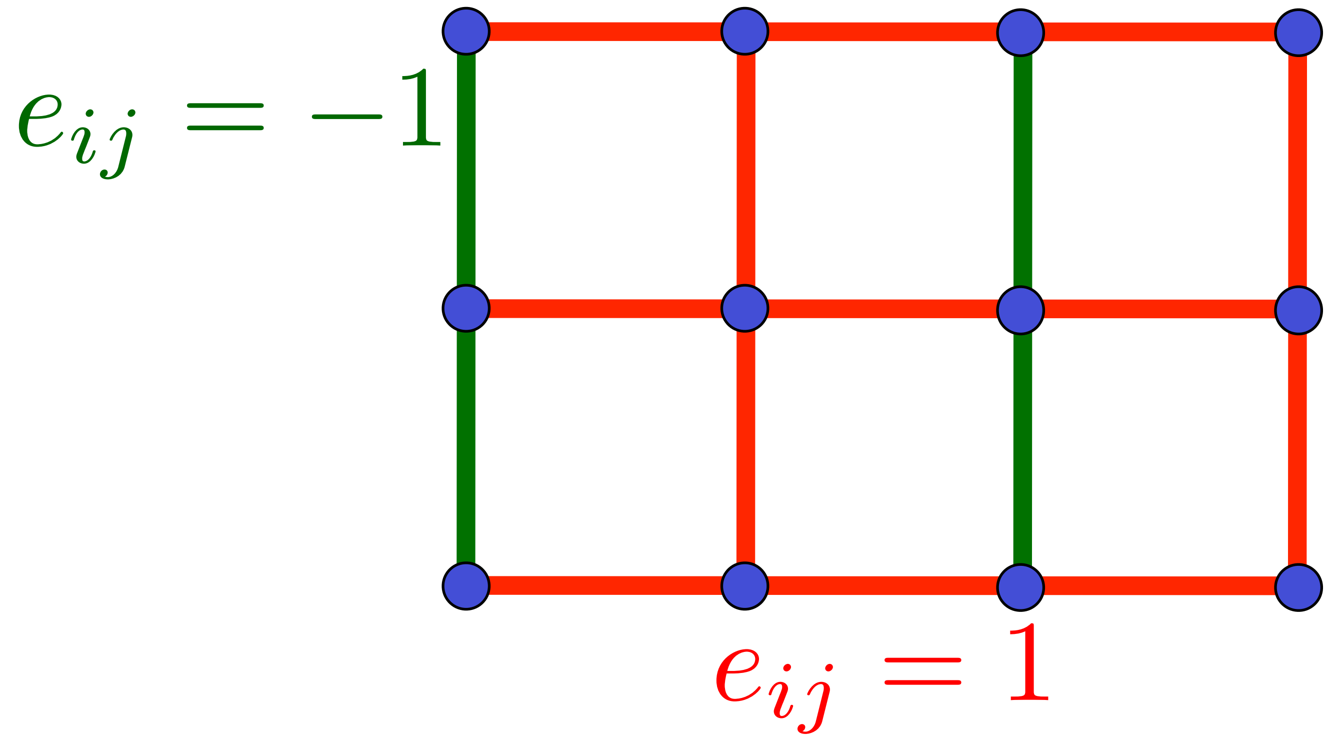

SU(2) gauge-invariant order parameters of Higgs phases:

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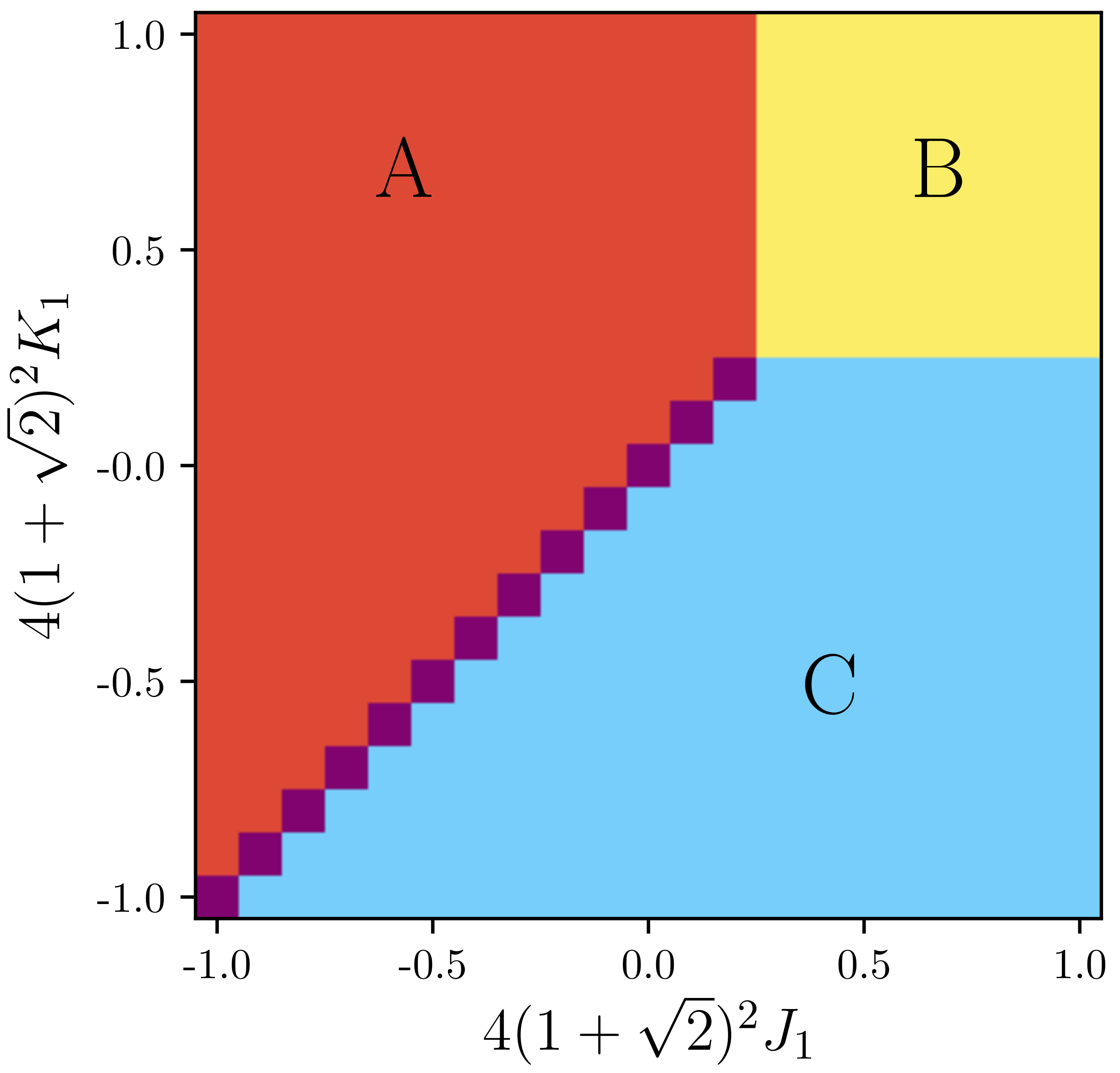

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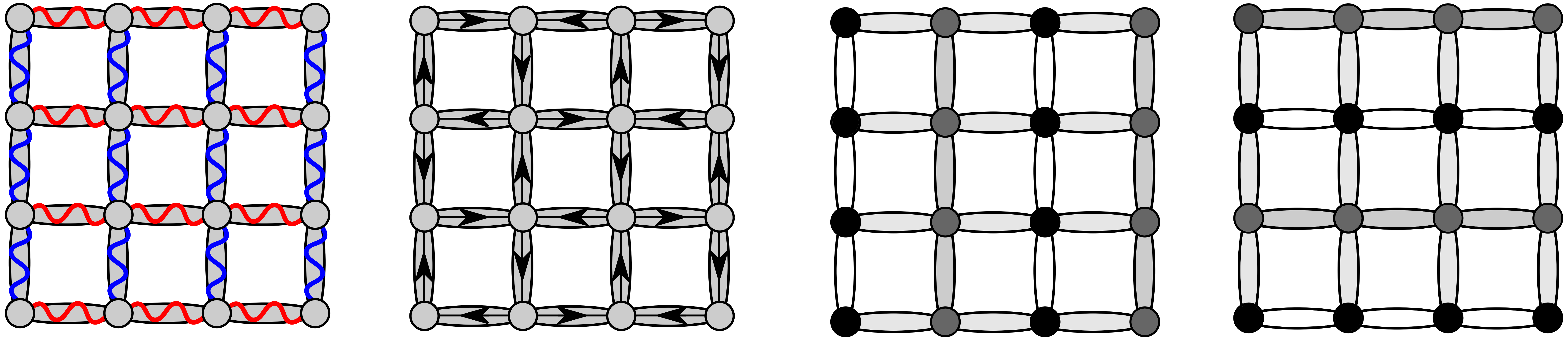

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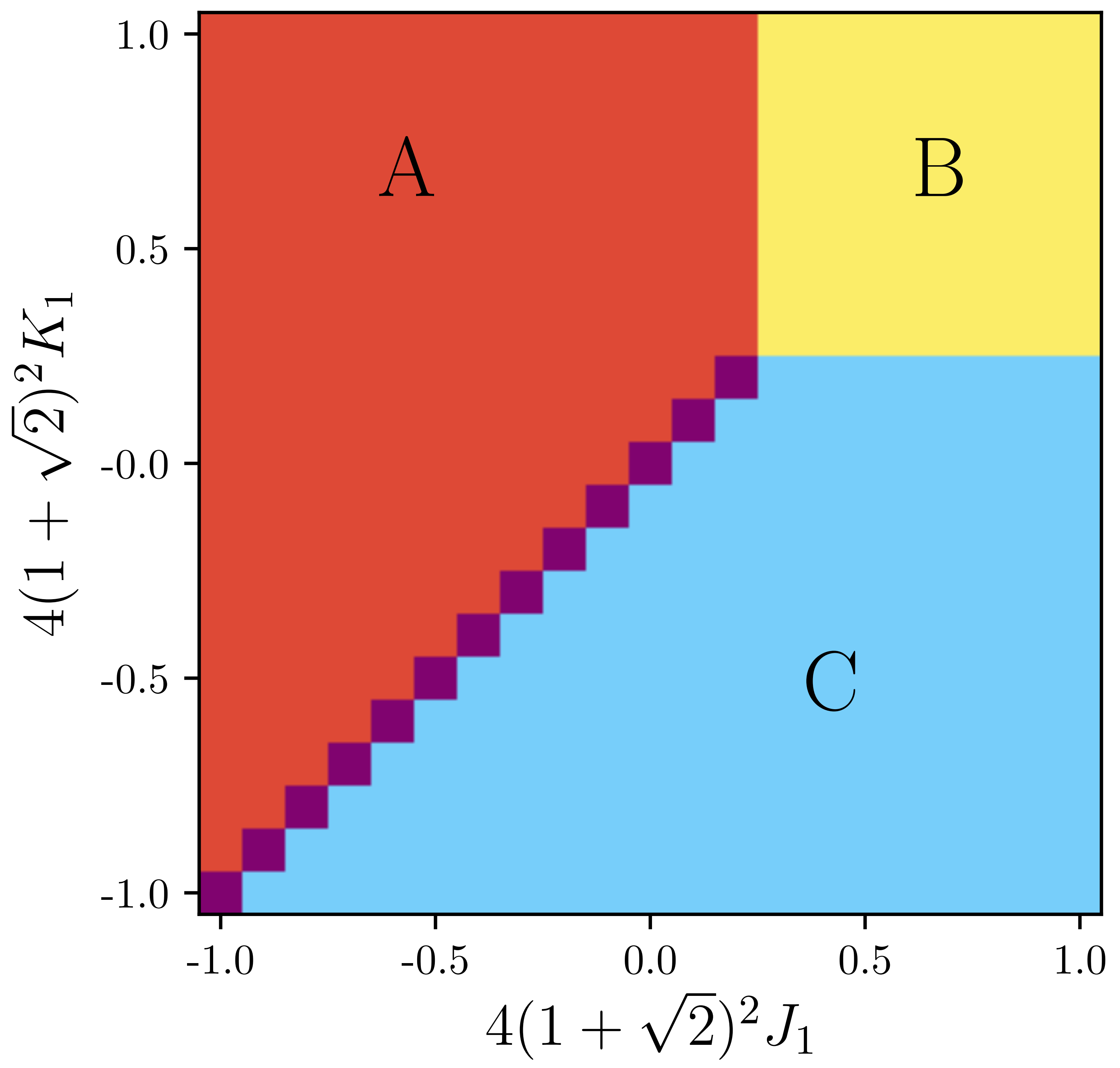

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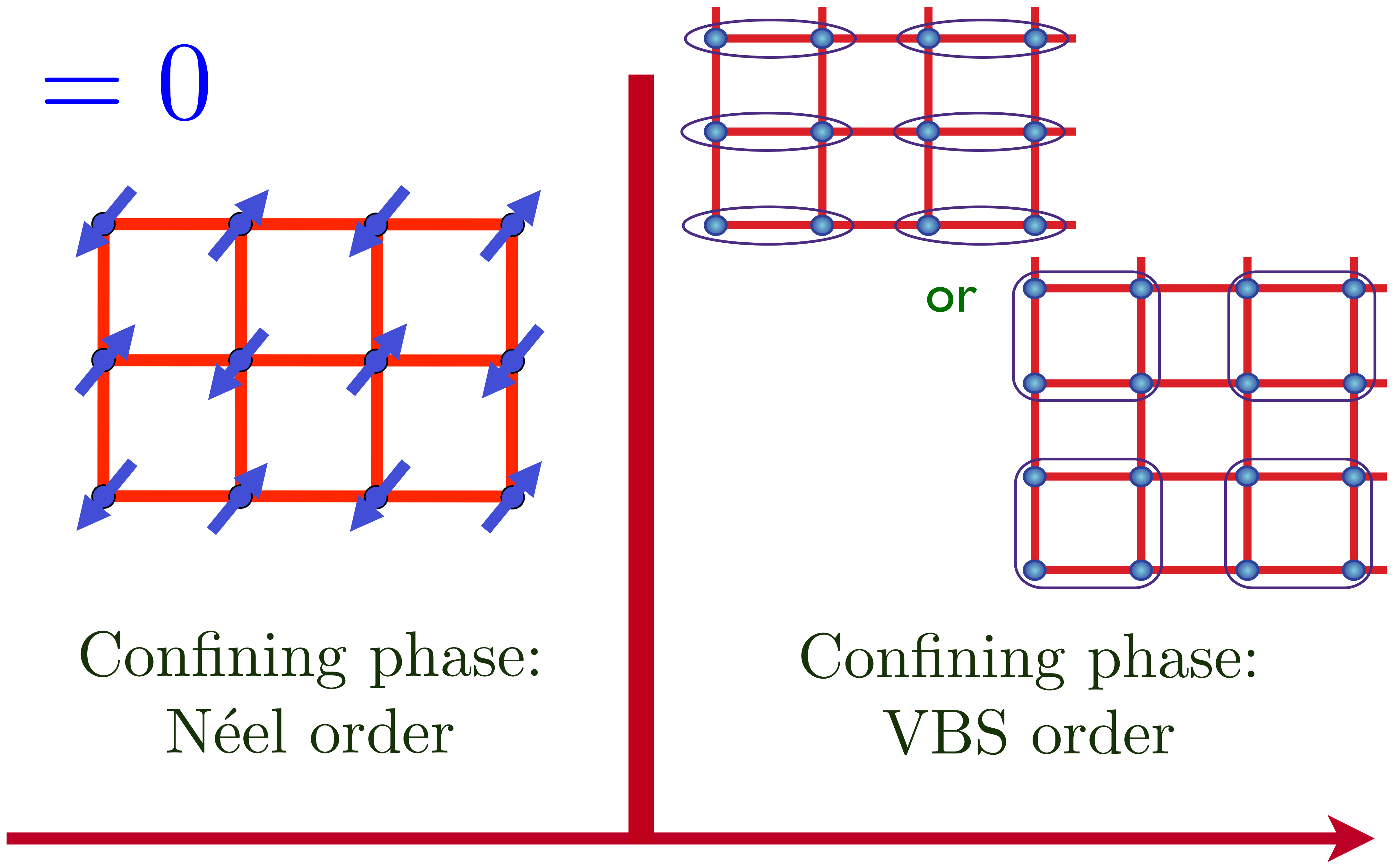

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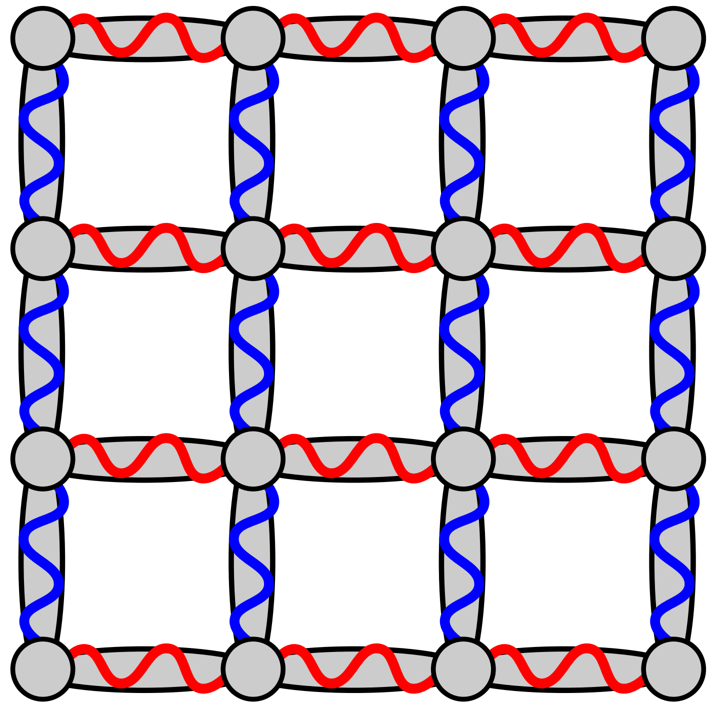

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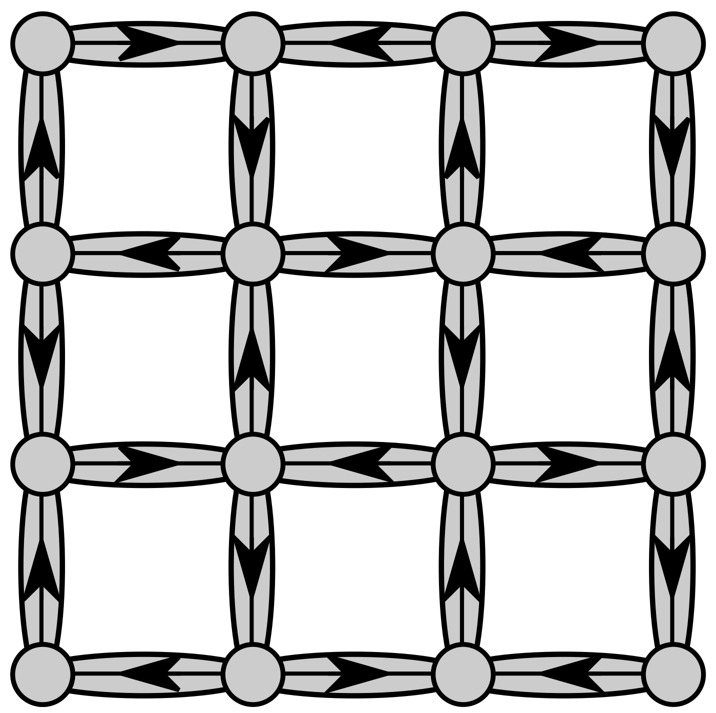

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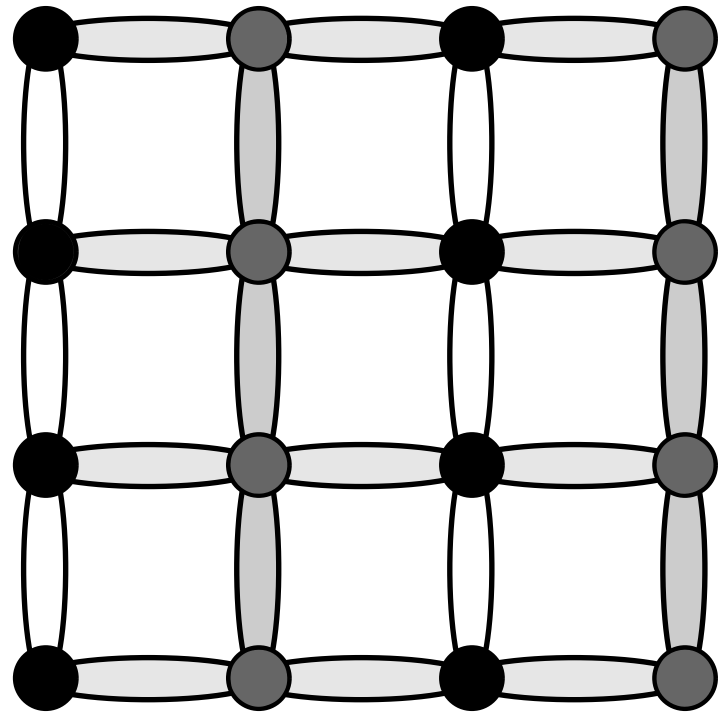

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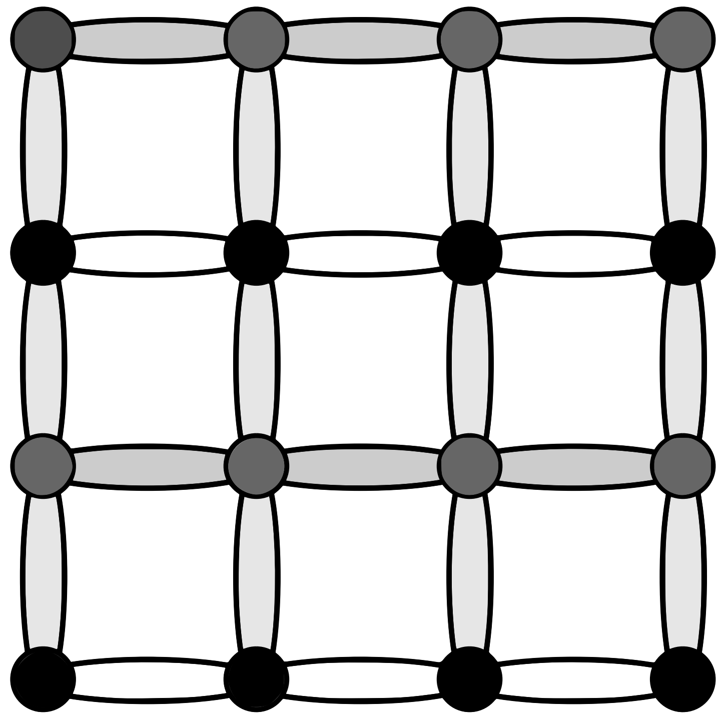

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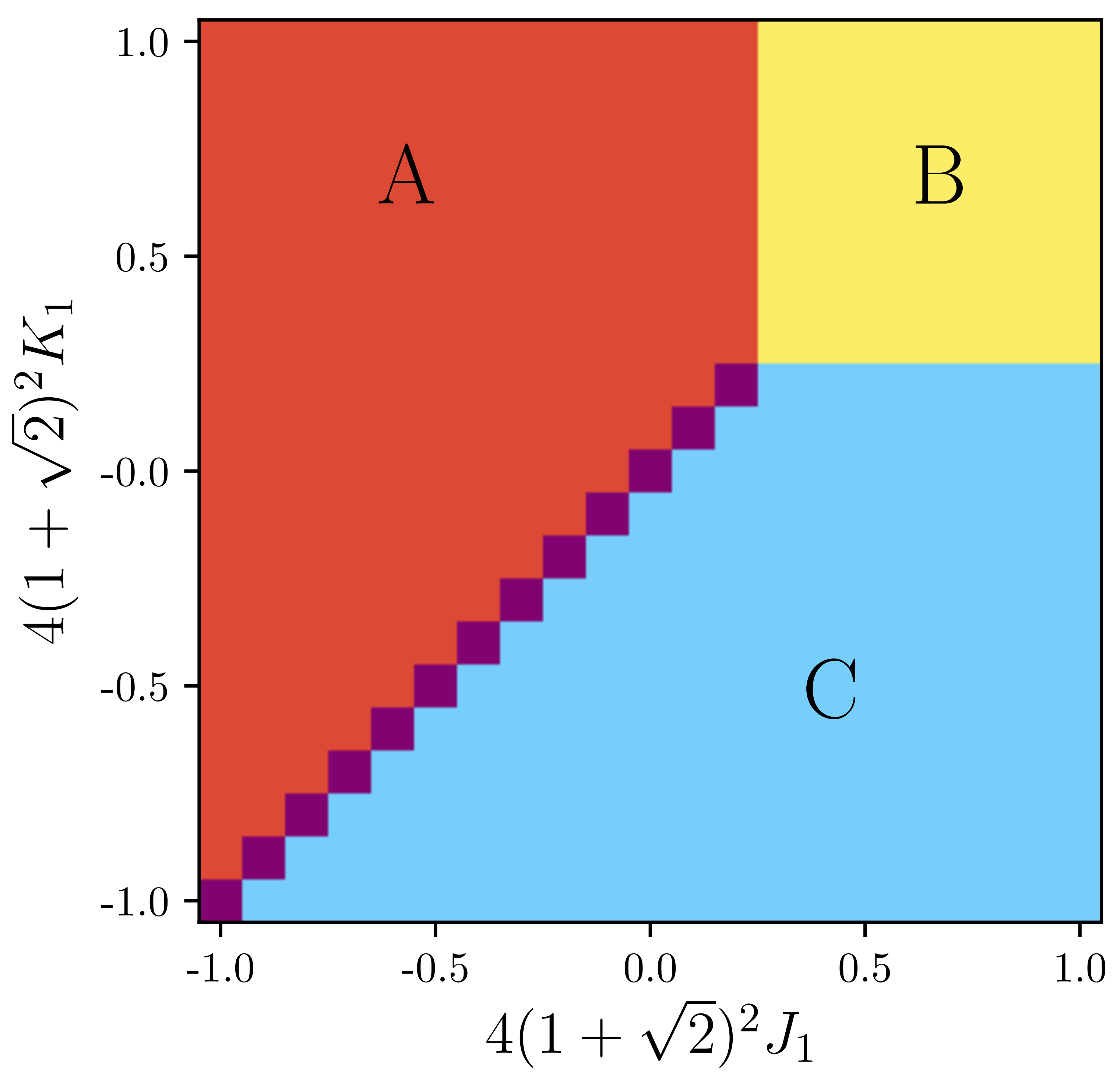

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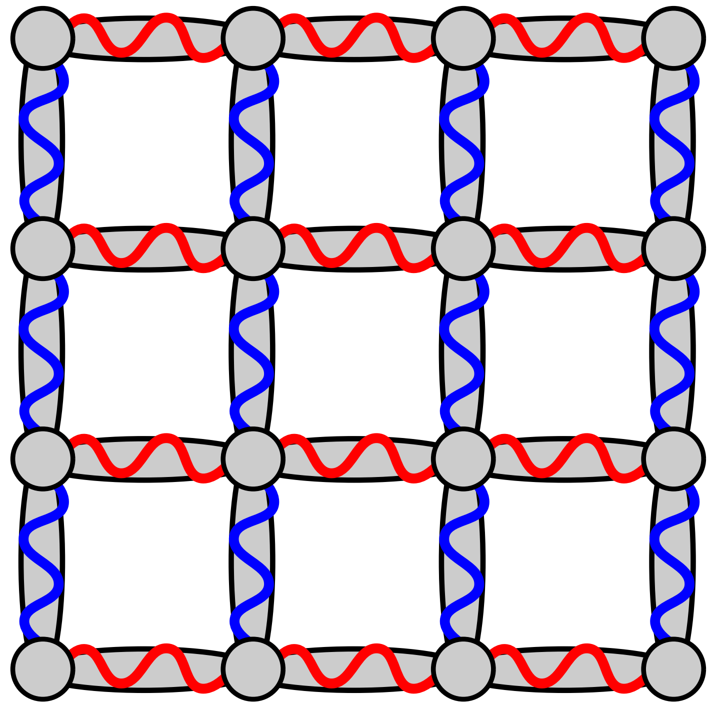

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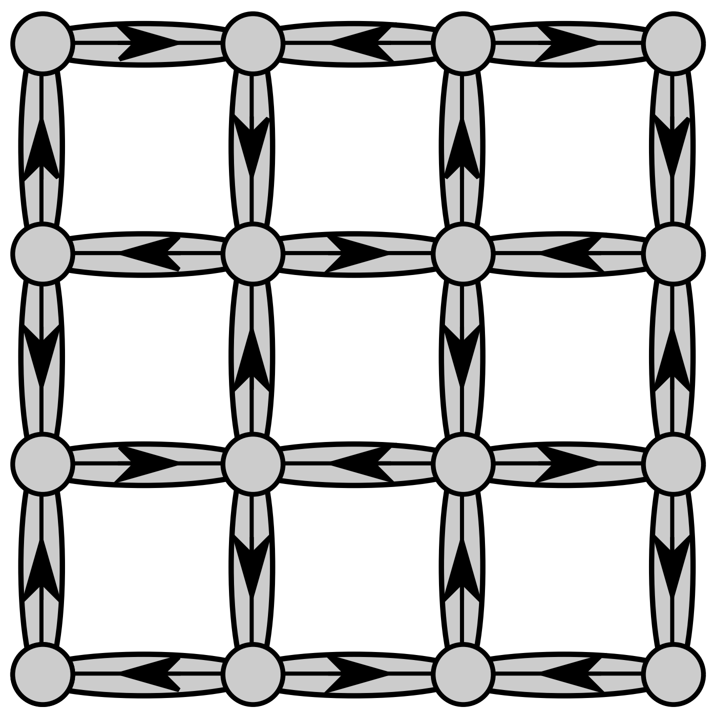

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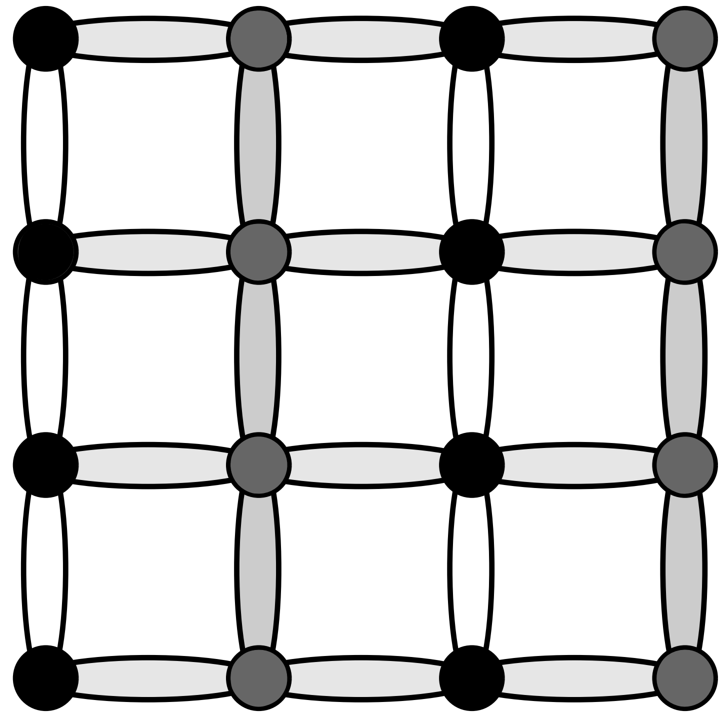

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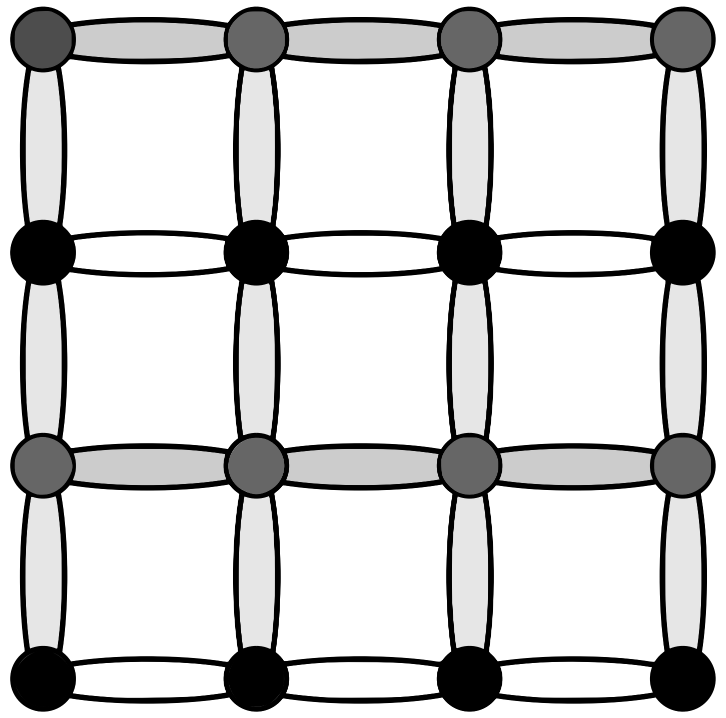

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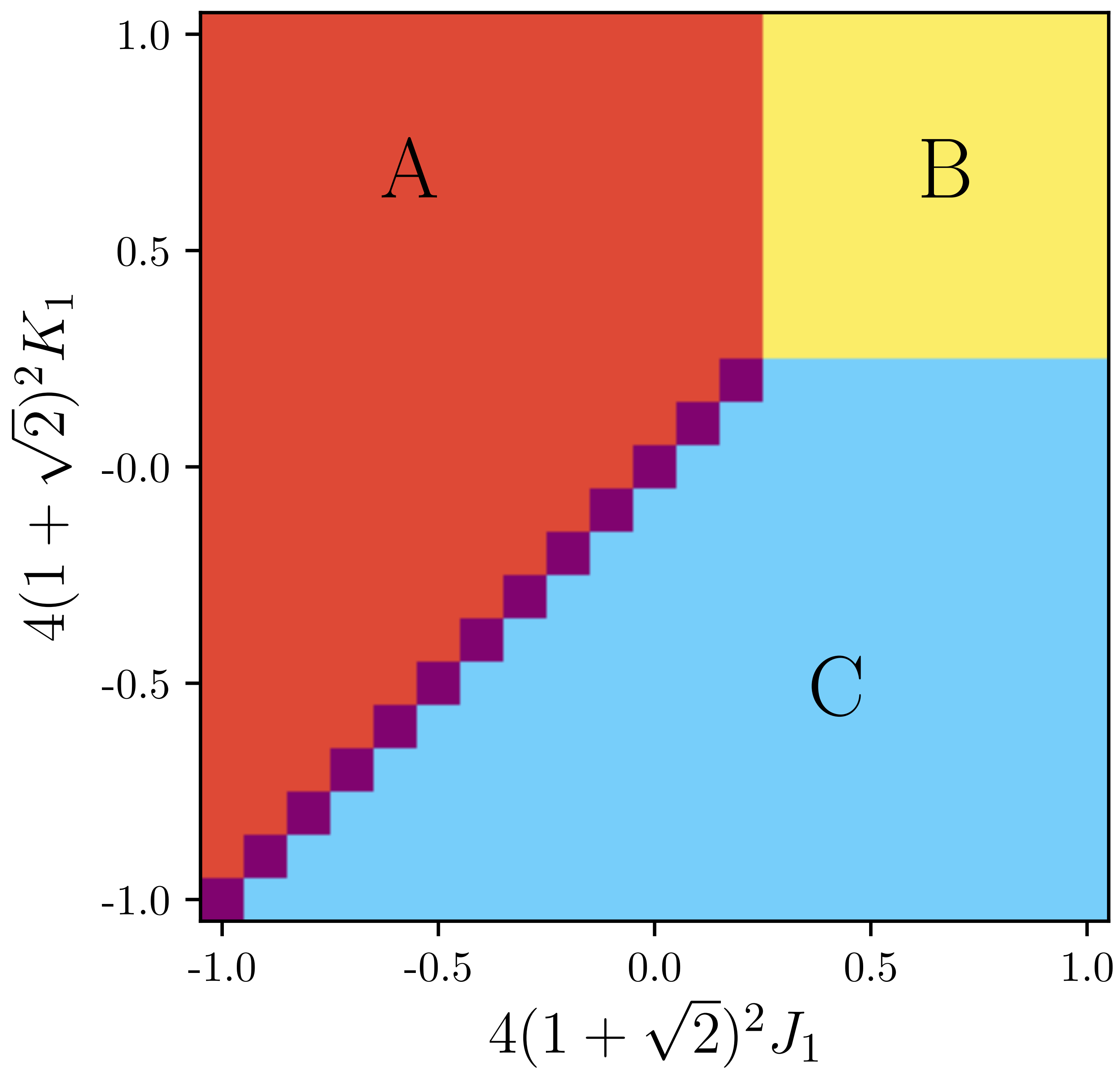

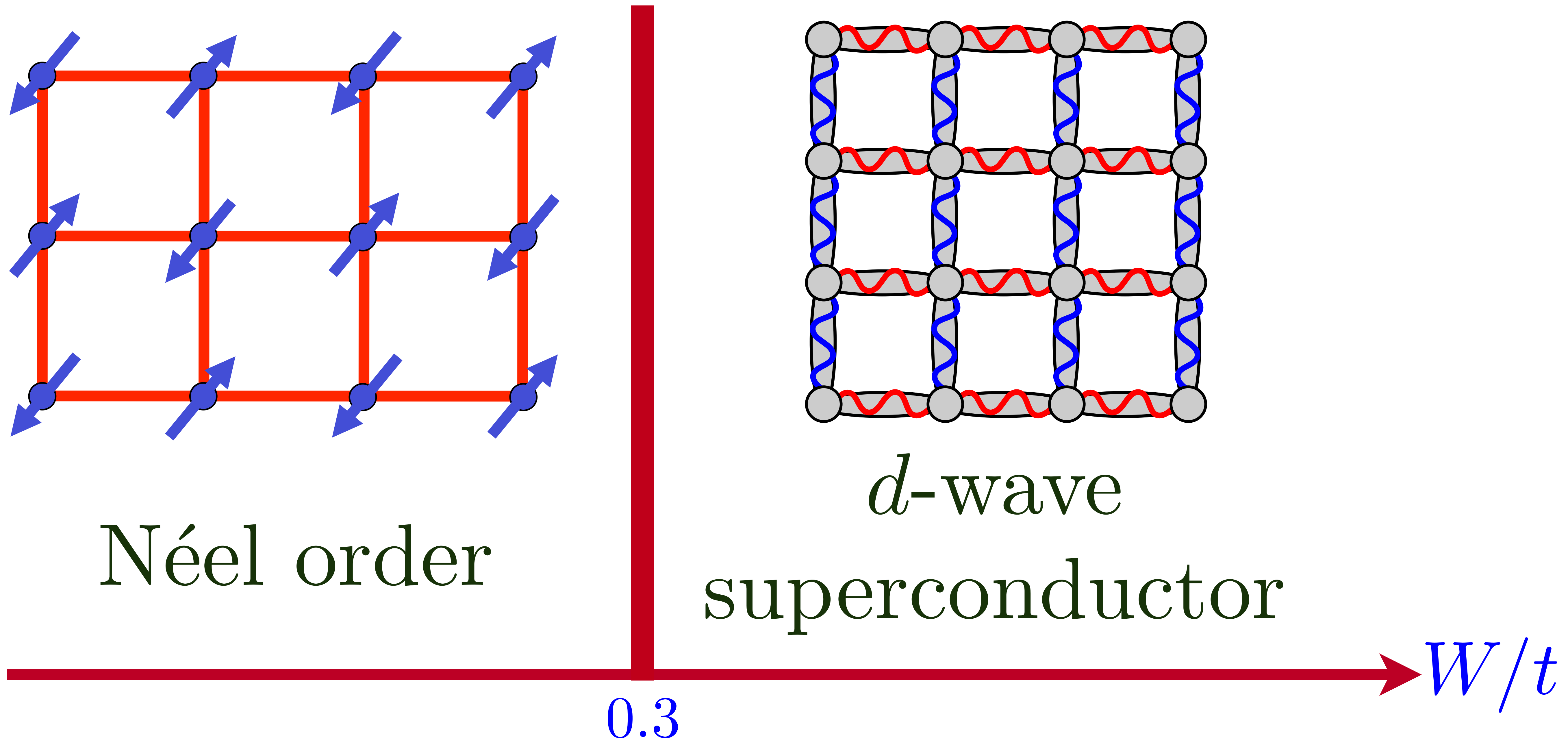

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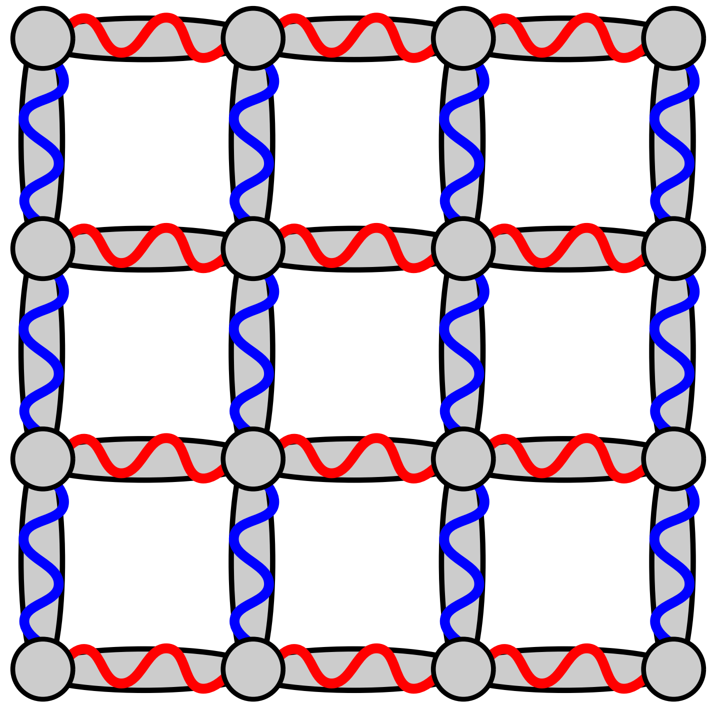

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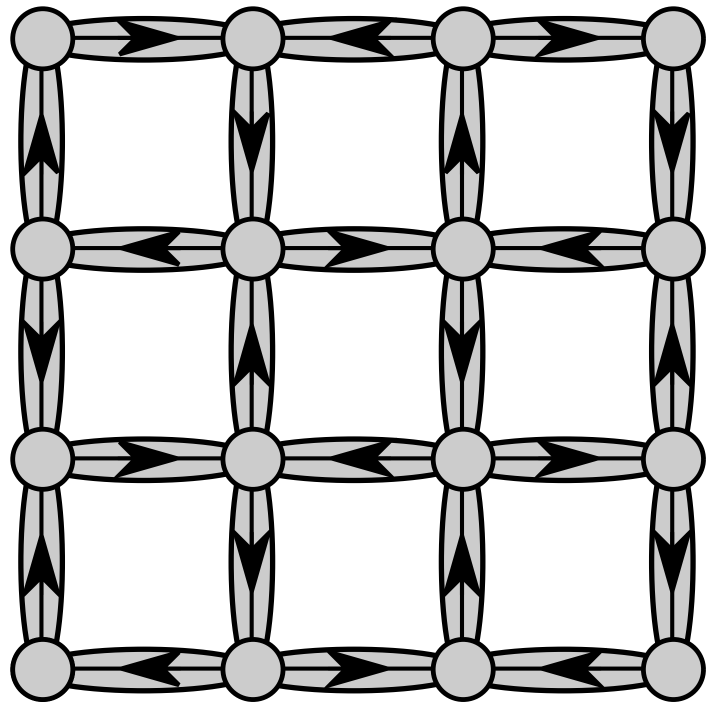

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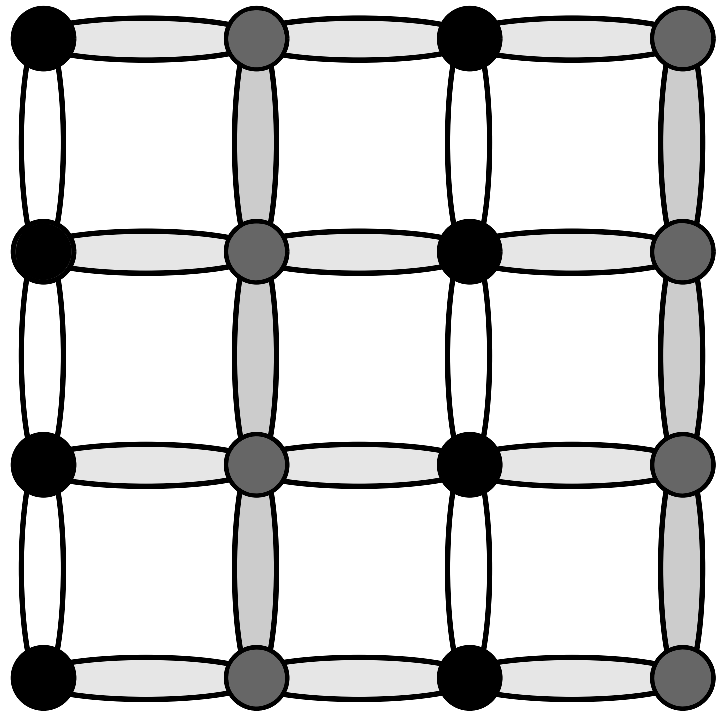

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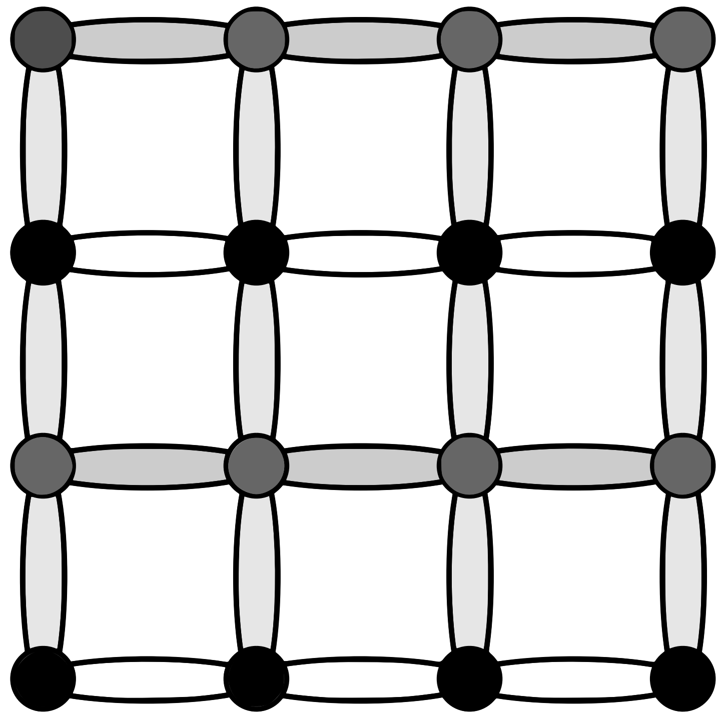

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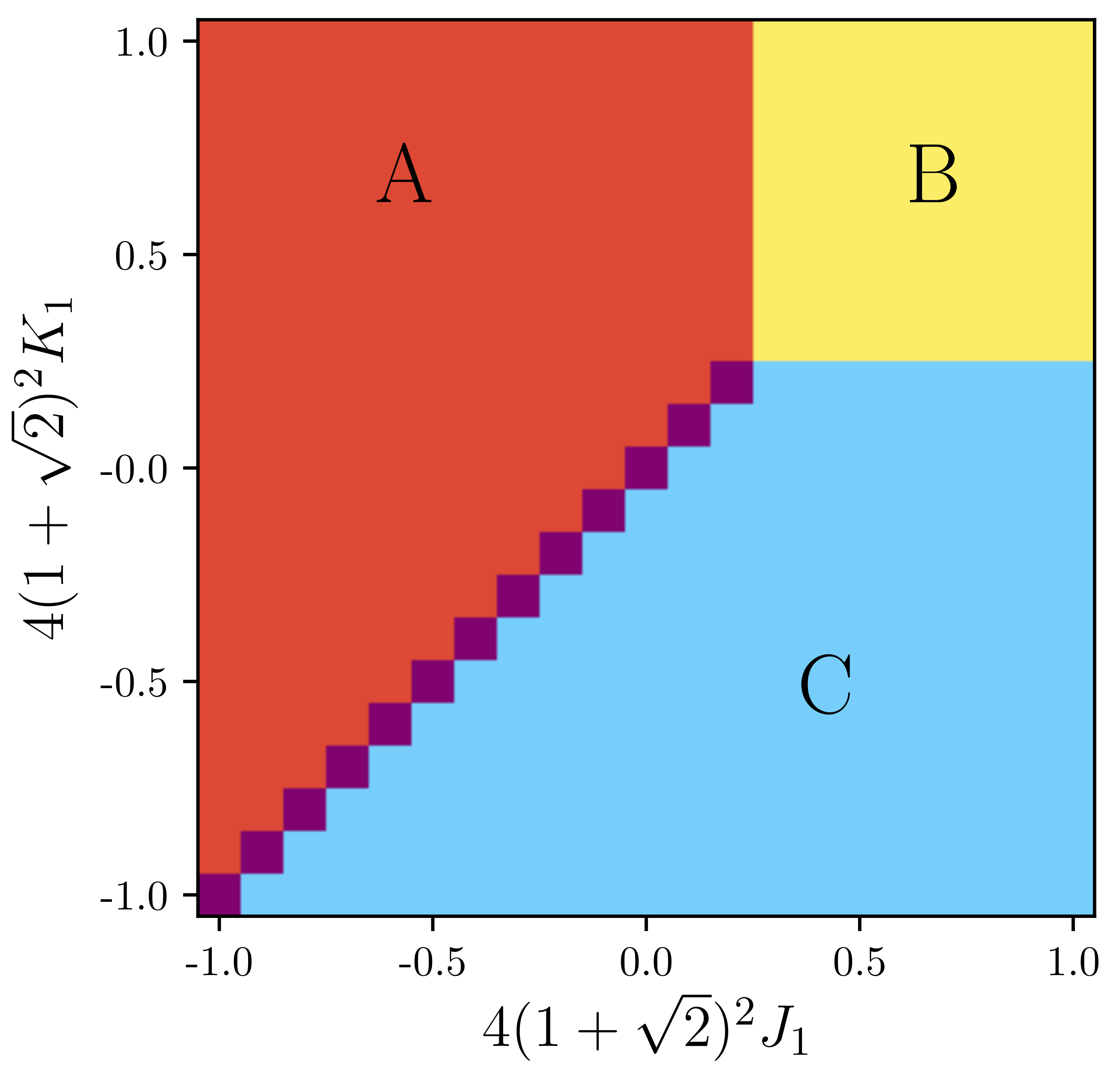

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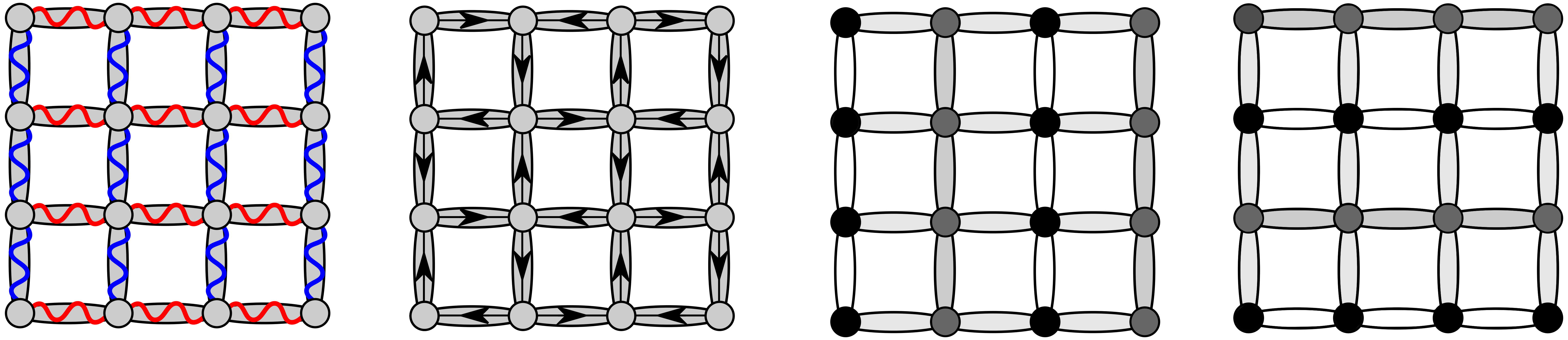

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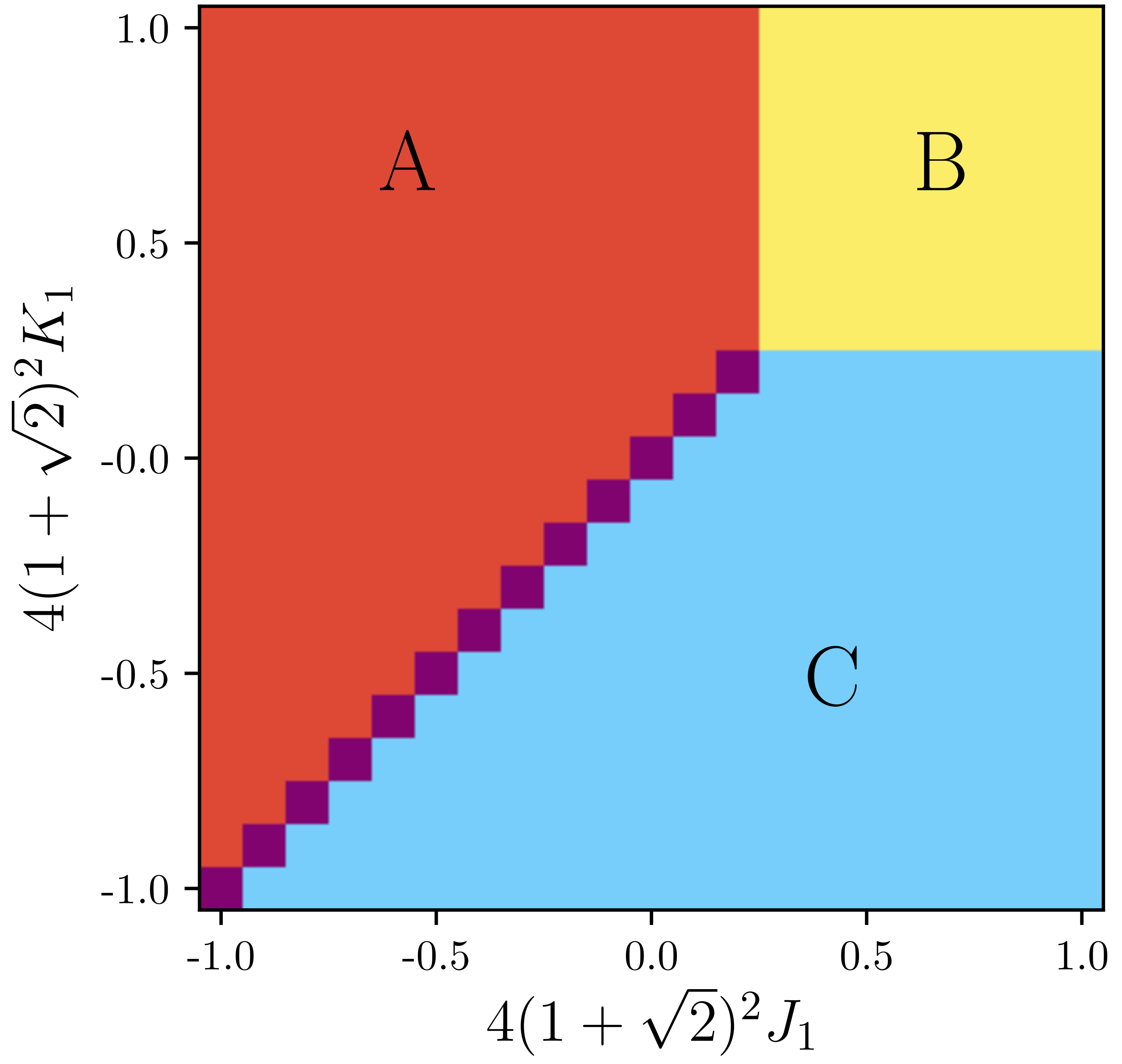

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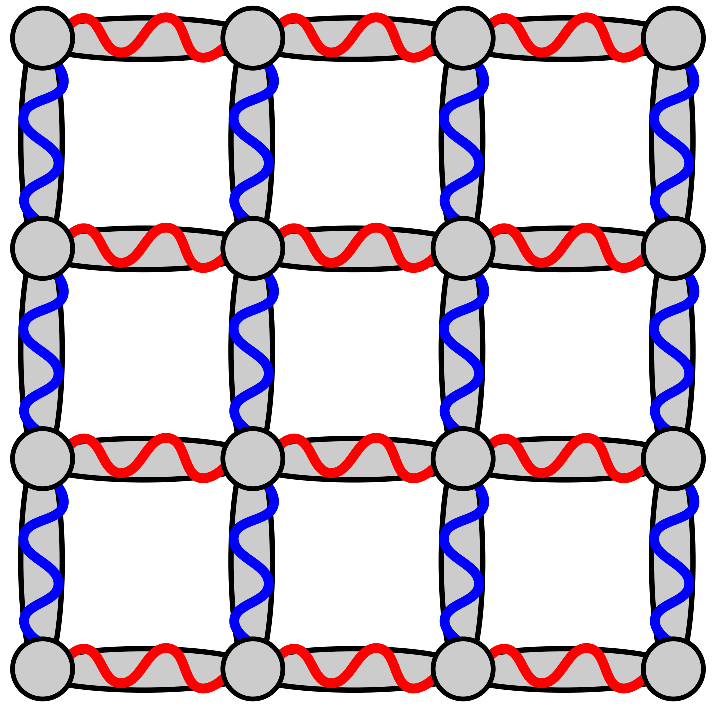

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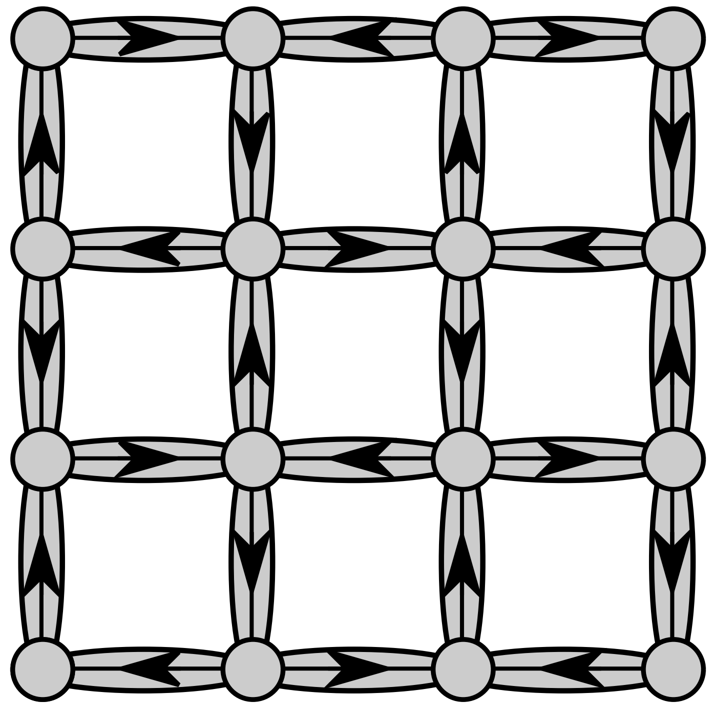

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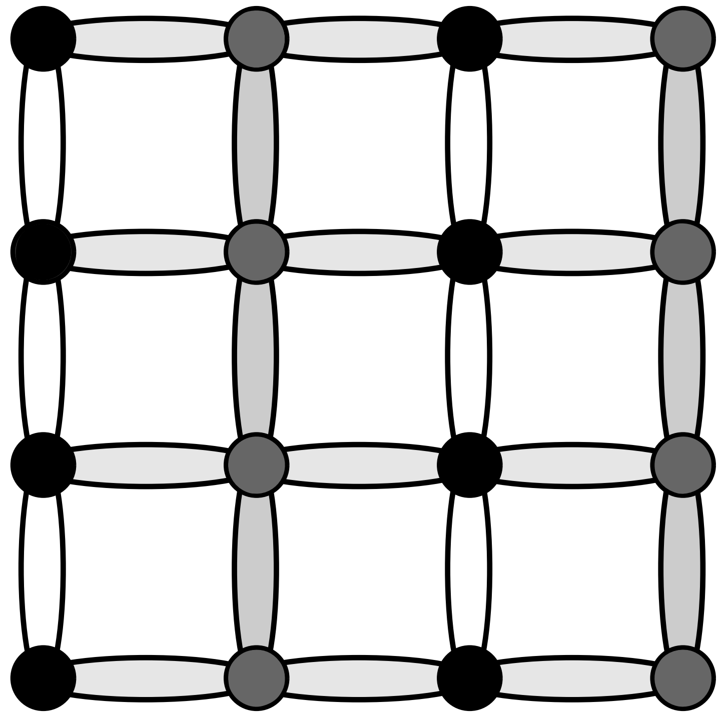

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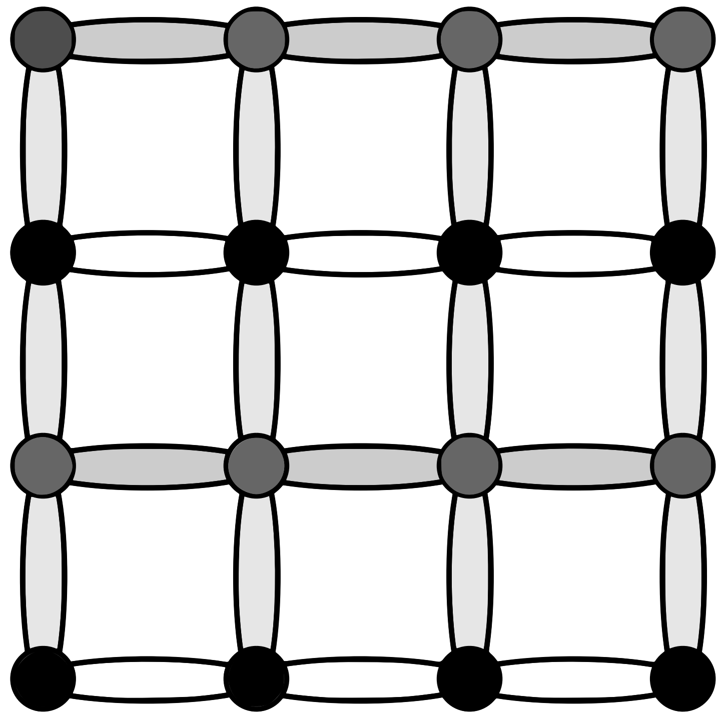

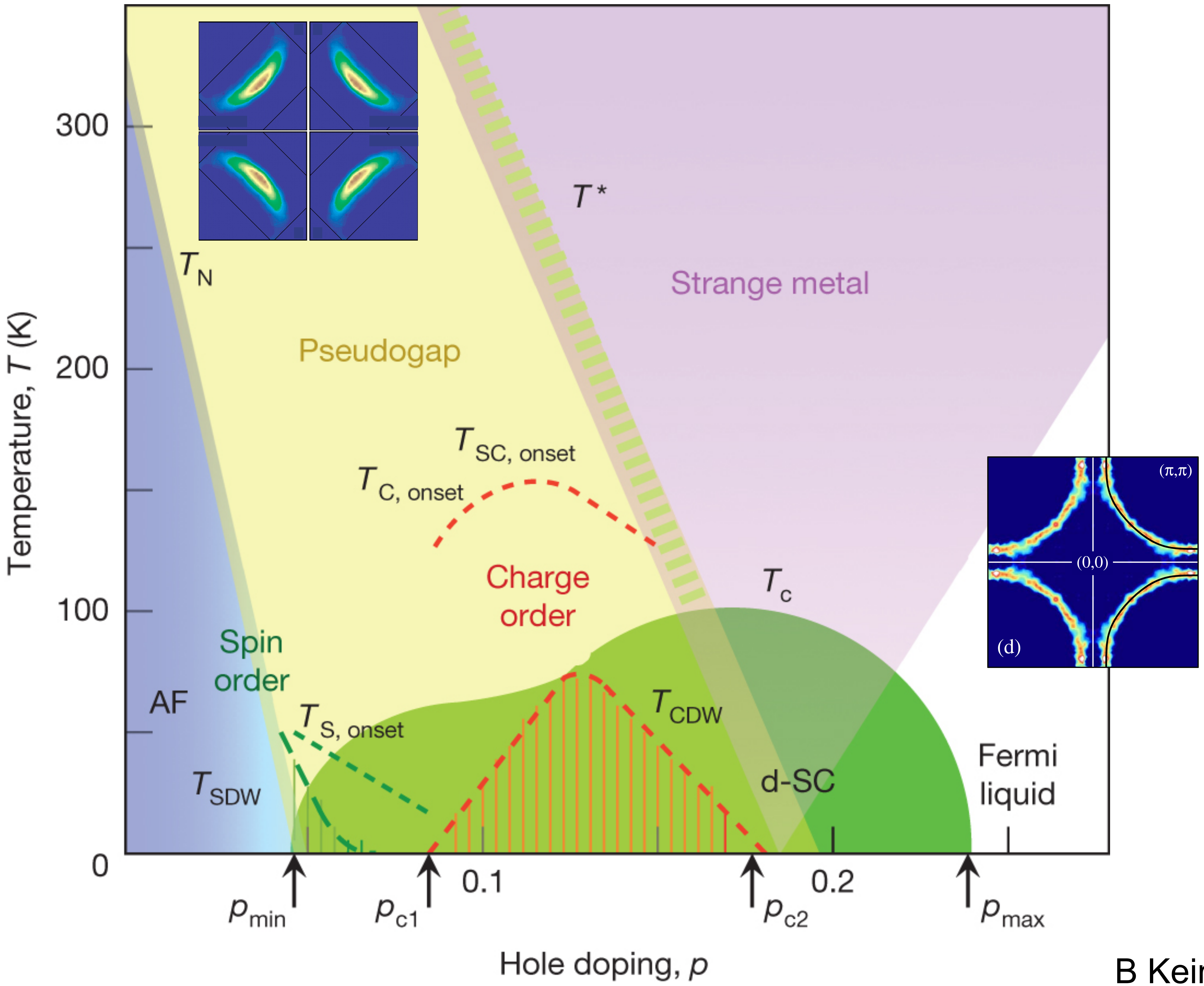

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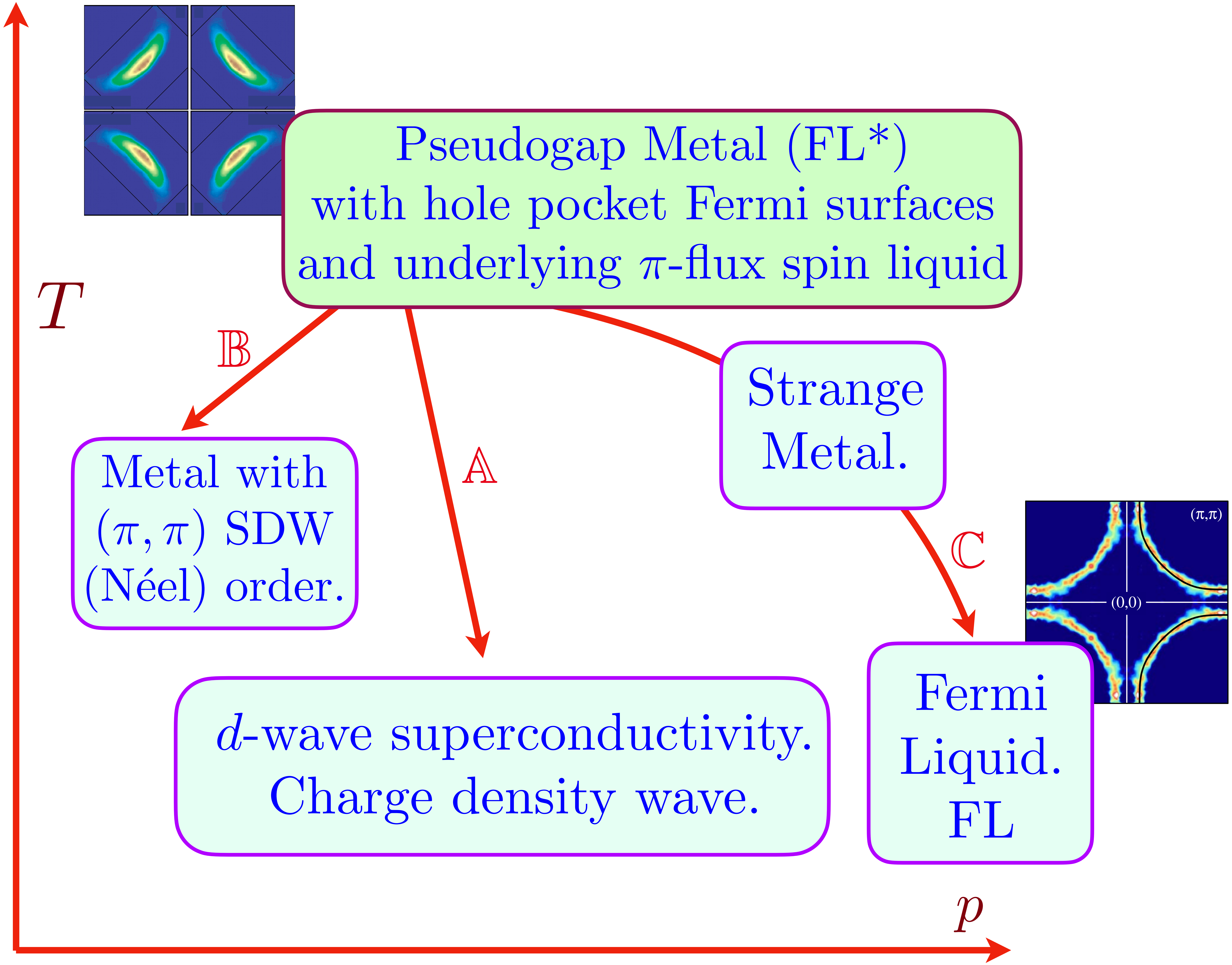
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with hole pocket Fermi surfaces
and underlying π-flux spin liquid
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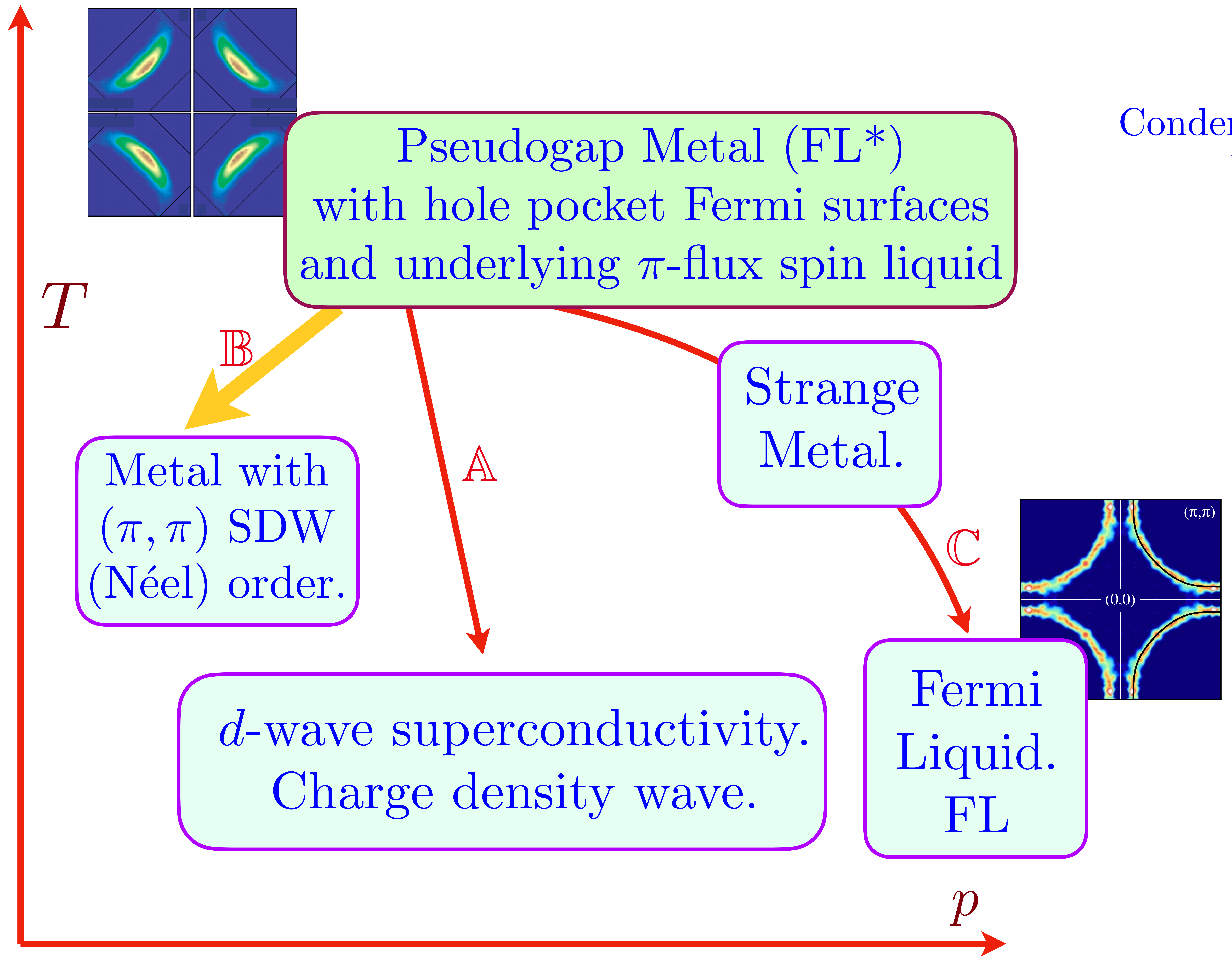

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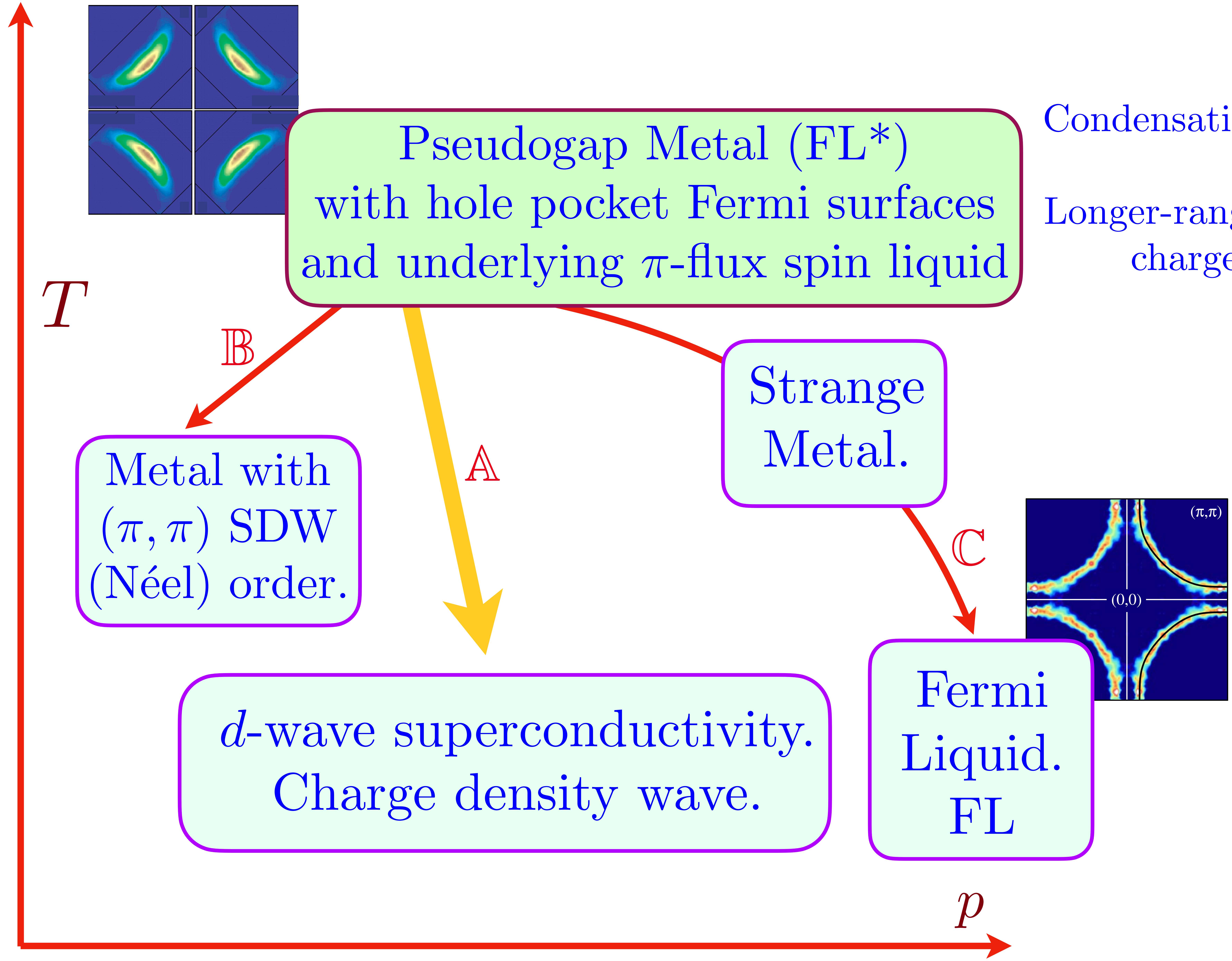

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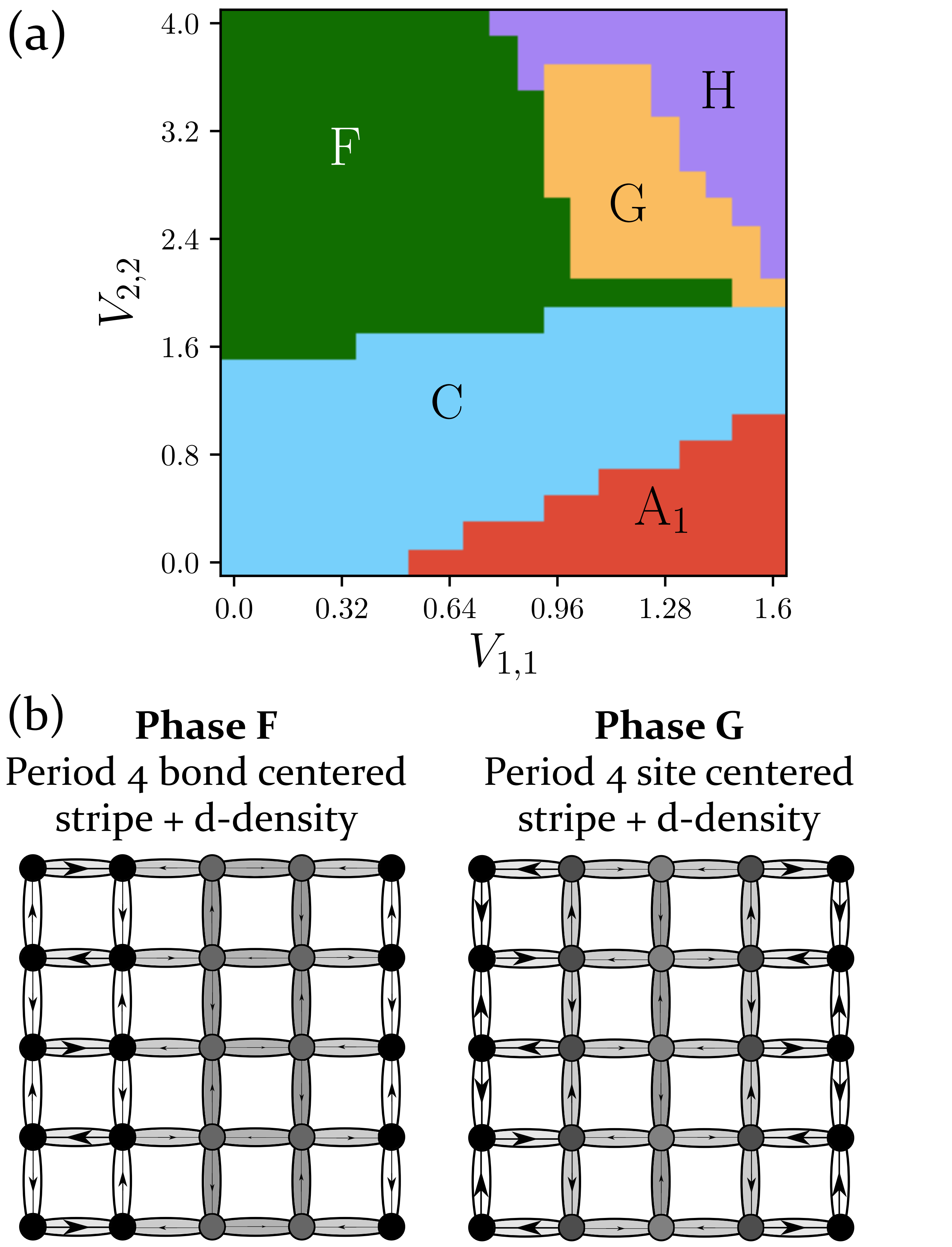
Condensation of B in SU(2) gauge theory.

Longer-range couplings in H_B can lead to charge order with other periods



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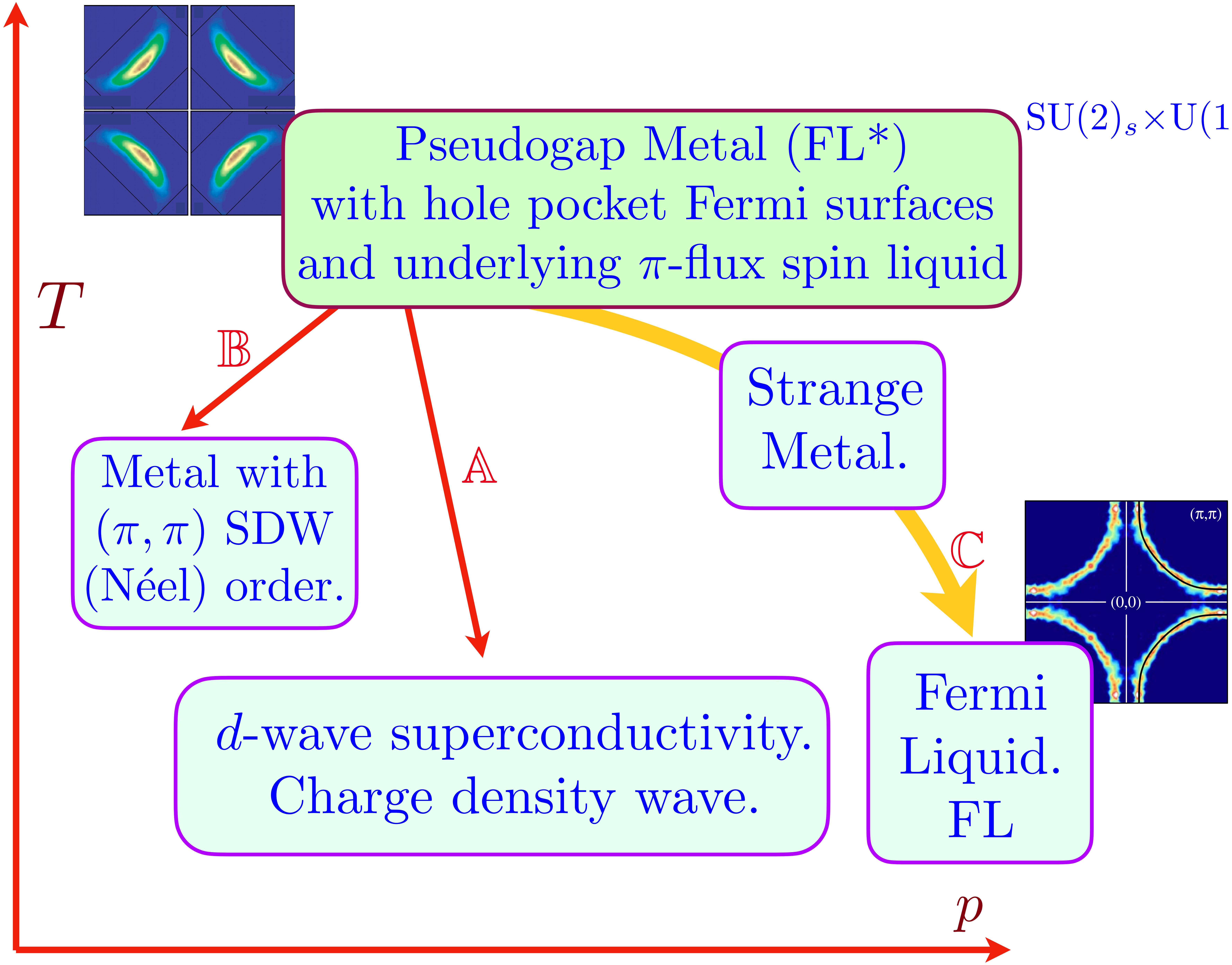

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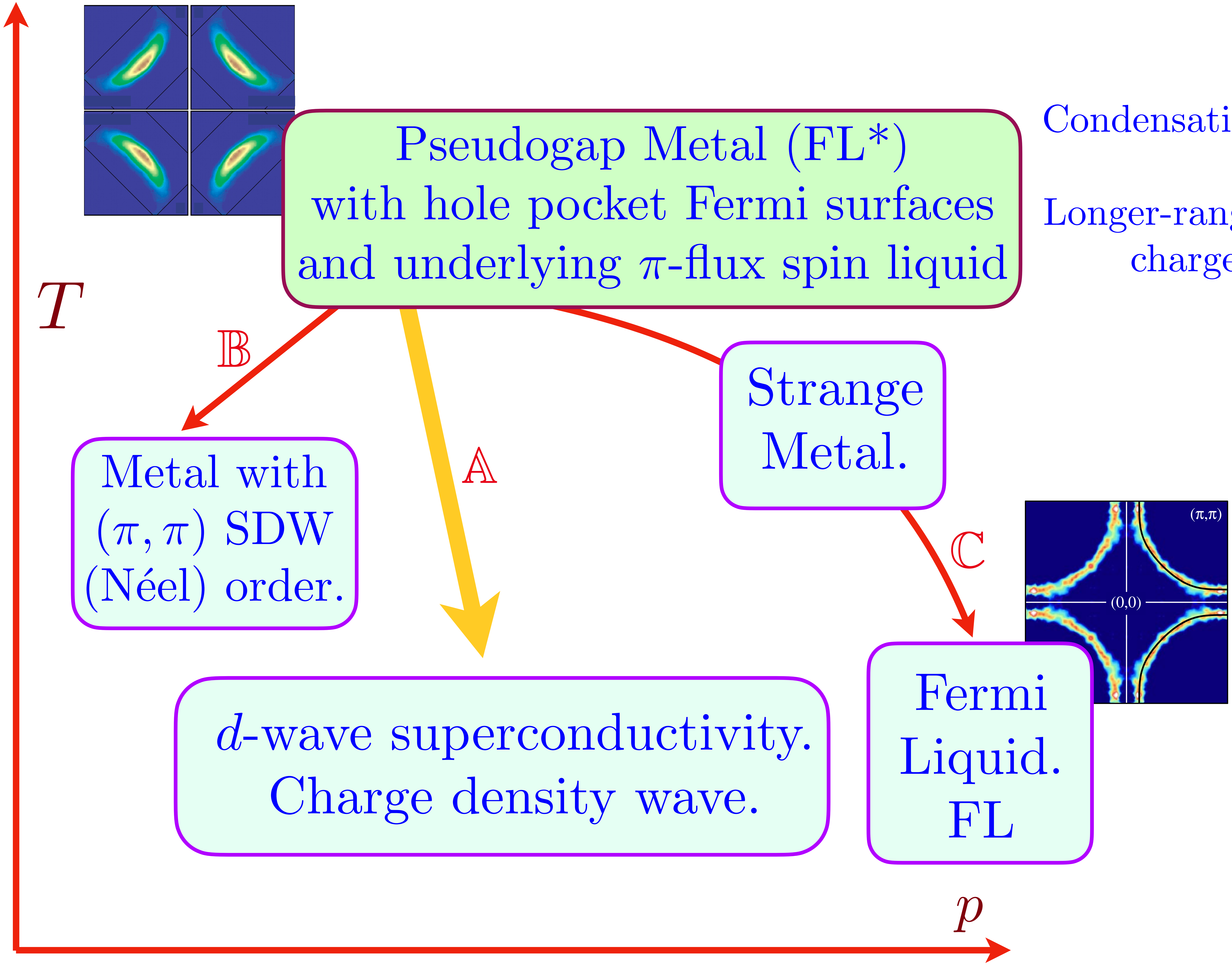

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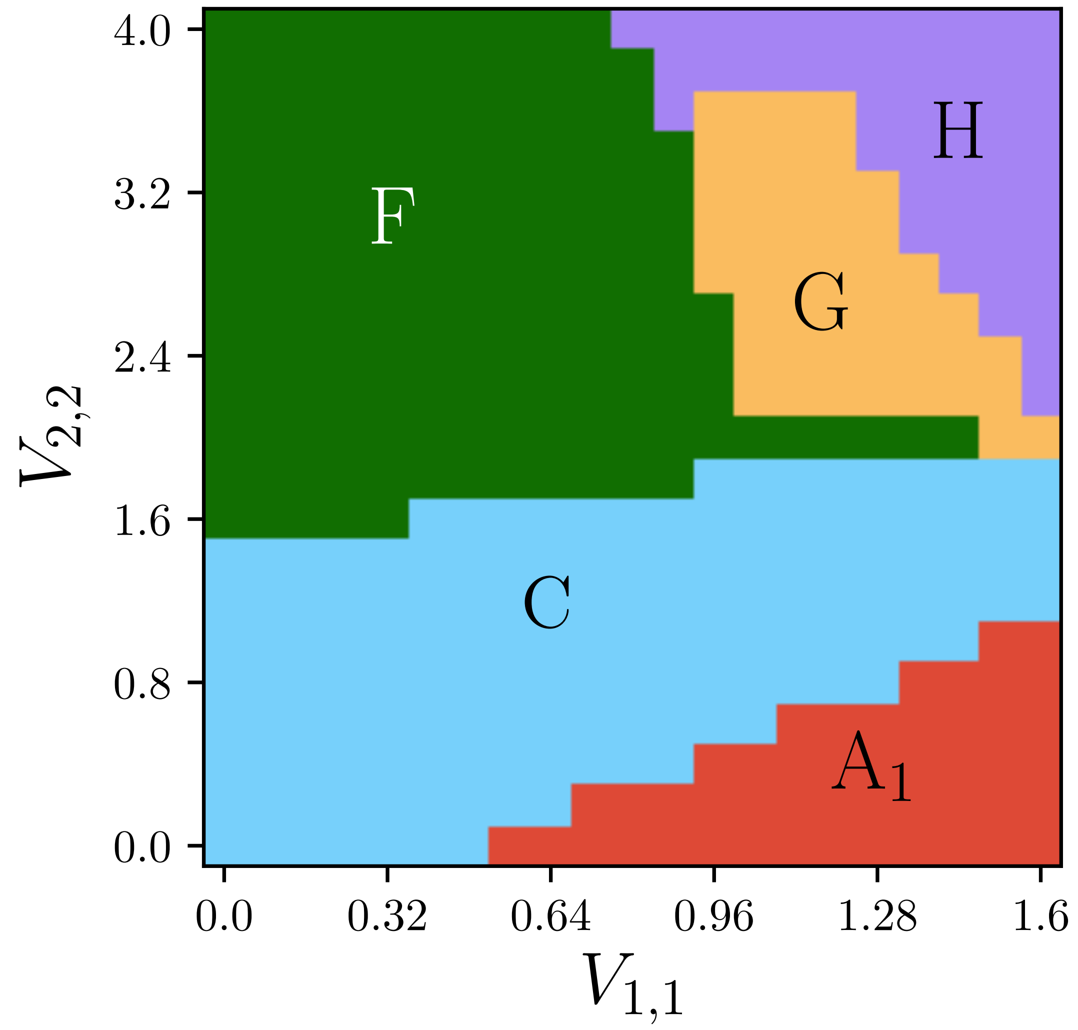

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