

# The two unusual metals in the cuprates

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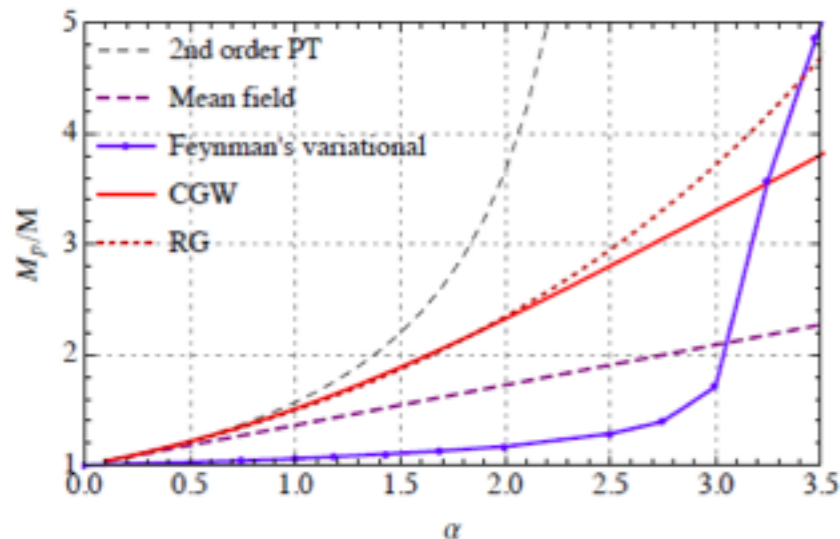


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# Polarons in BEC



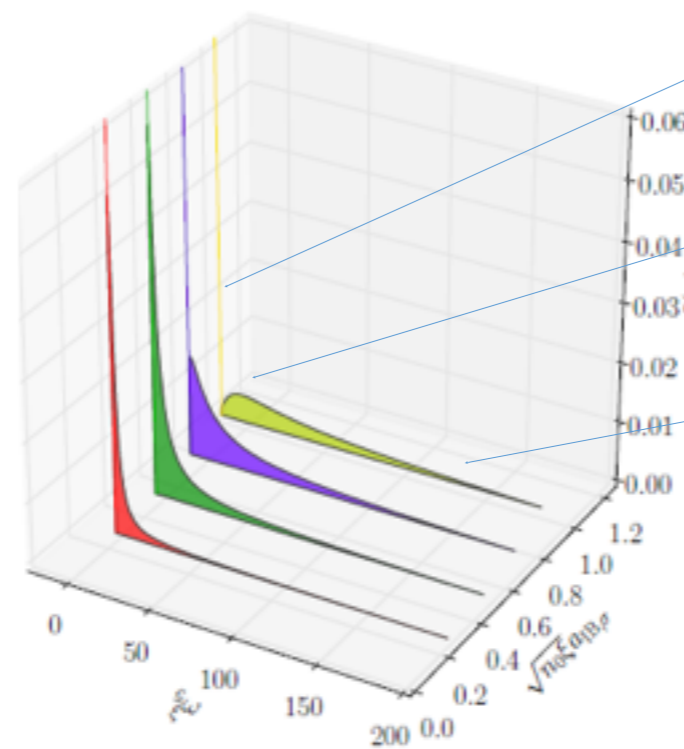
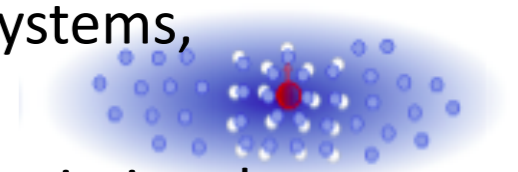
Effective mass



Related to Frolich polarons in solid state systems, electrons in magnetic systems

Used non-perturbative approaches (RG, variational wavefunctions) to study equilibrium and non-equilibrium properties of Bose polarons

RF spectroscopy



Quasiparticle peak

Universal (dimension dependent) low frequency spectrum: signature of many-body orthogonality catastrophe

Universal (dimension dependent) high frequency tail: related to two particle physics

Fabian Grusdt, et al.,  
 Phys. Rev. A 89:053617 (2014)  
 Phys. Rev. A 90:063610 (2014)  
 Scientific Reports 5:12124 (2015)



# Richard Davison

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*What are the effective theories of charge and heat transport in systems without quasiparticles?*

- A clean system has multiple different conduction mechanisms.  
RD, Goutéaux, Hartnoll 1507.07137
- Each has a characteristic timescale and imprints on the frequency-dependent conductivities in a specific way. RD, Goutéaux 1505.05092
- Can calculate the T-dependence of the conductivities under various assumptions.  
RD, Schalm, Zaanen 1311.2451  
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- As the system becomes dirtier, there is a qualitative change in the conduction mechanisms and what timescales control them.  
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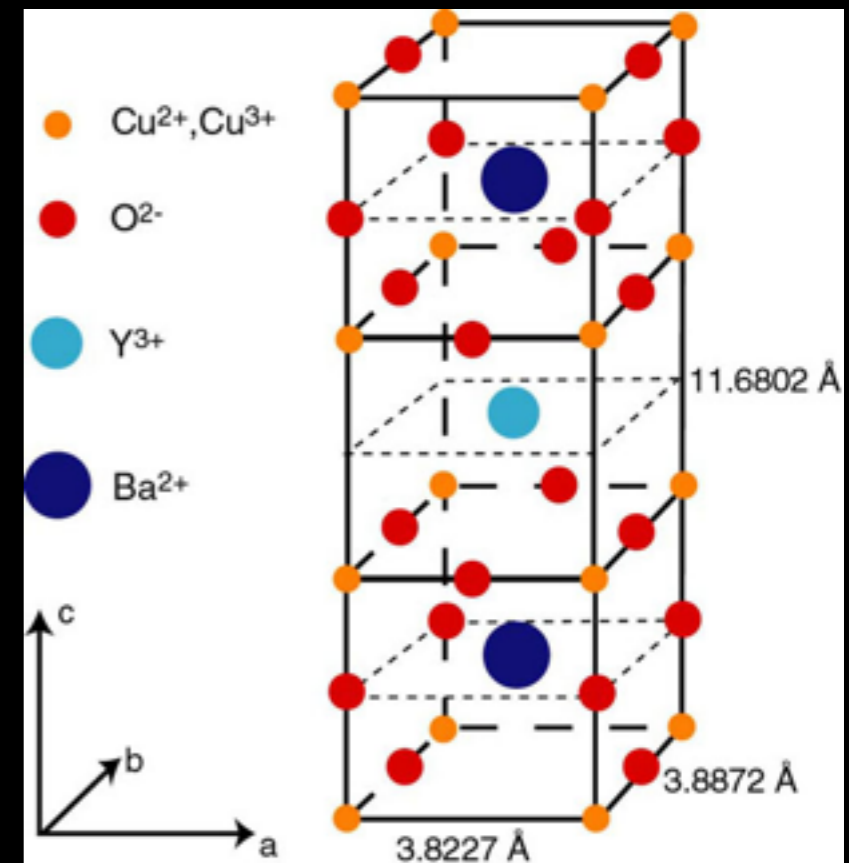
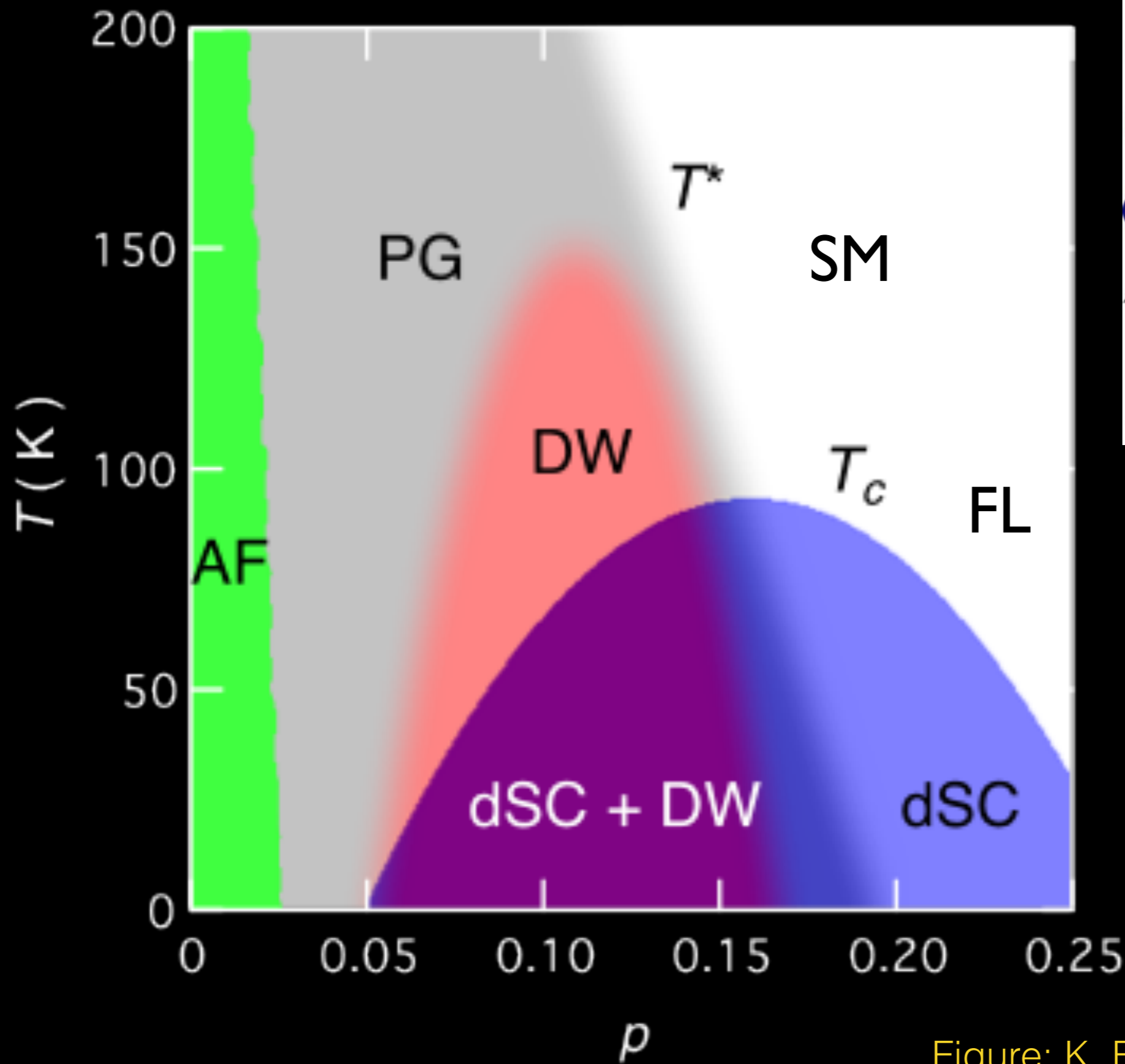
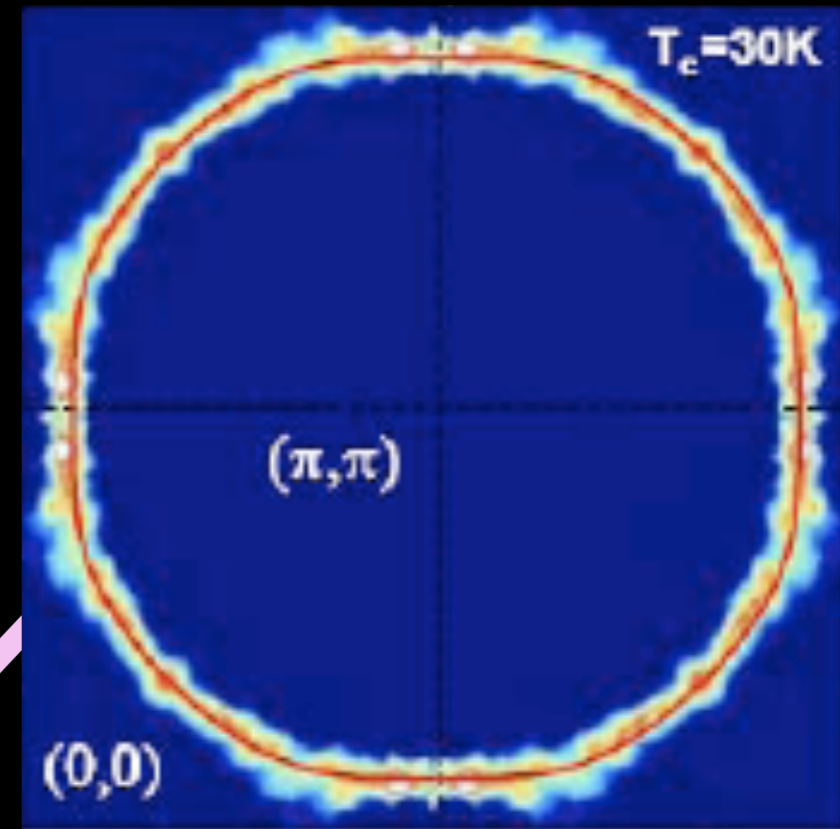
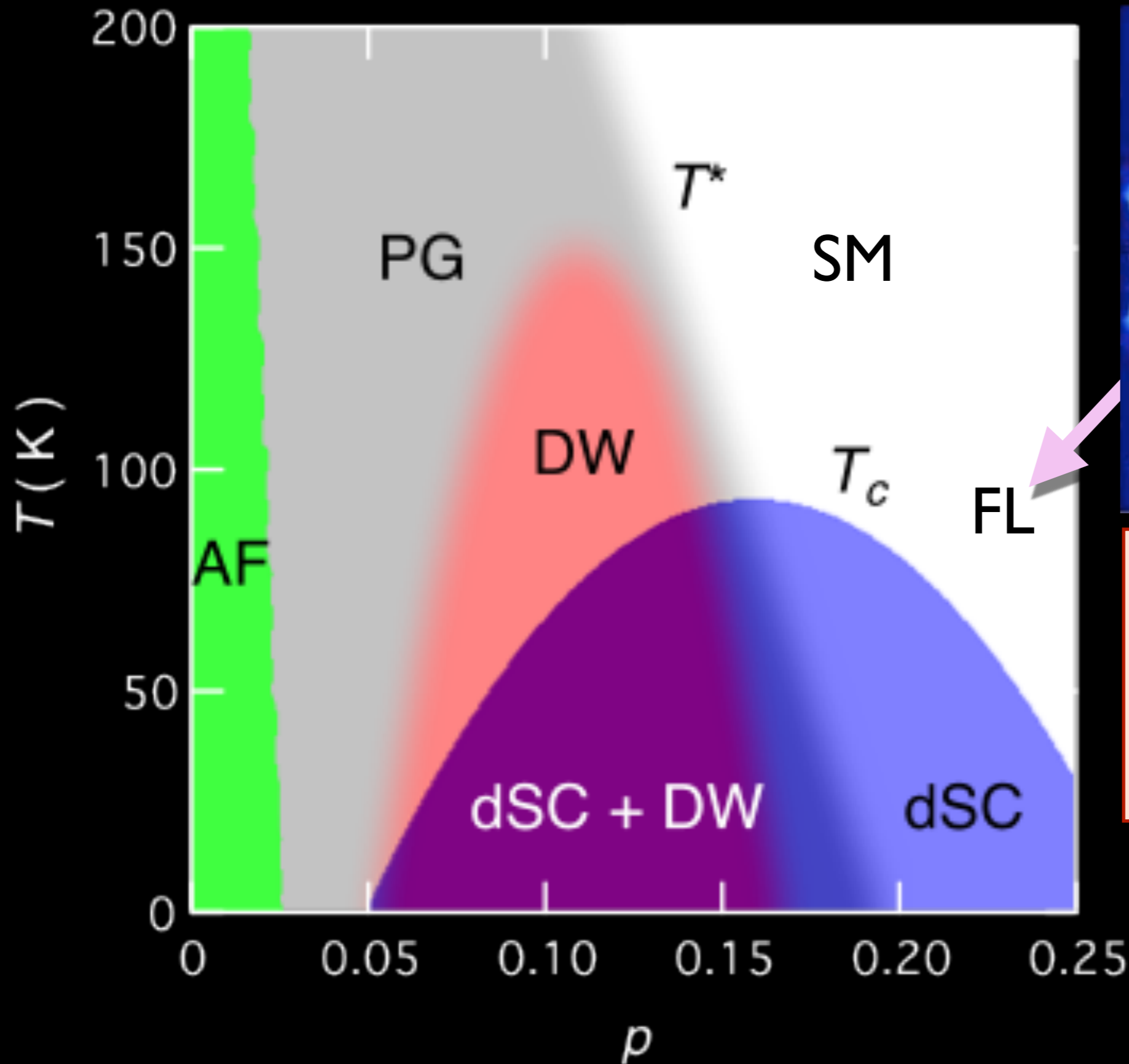


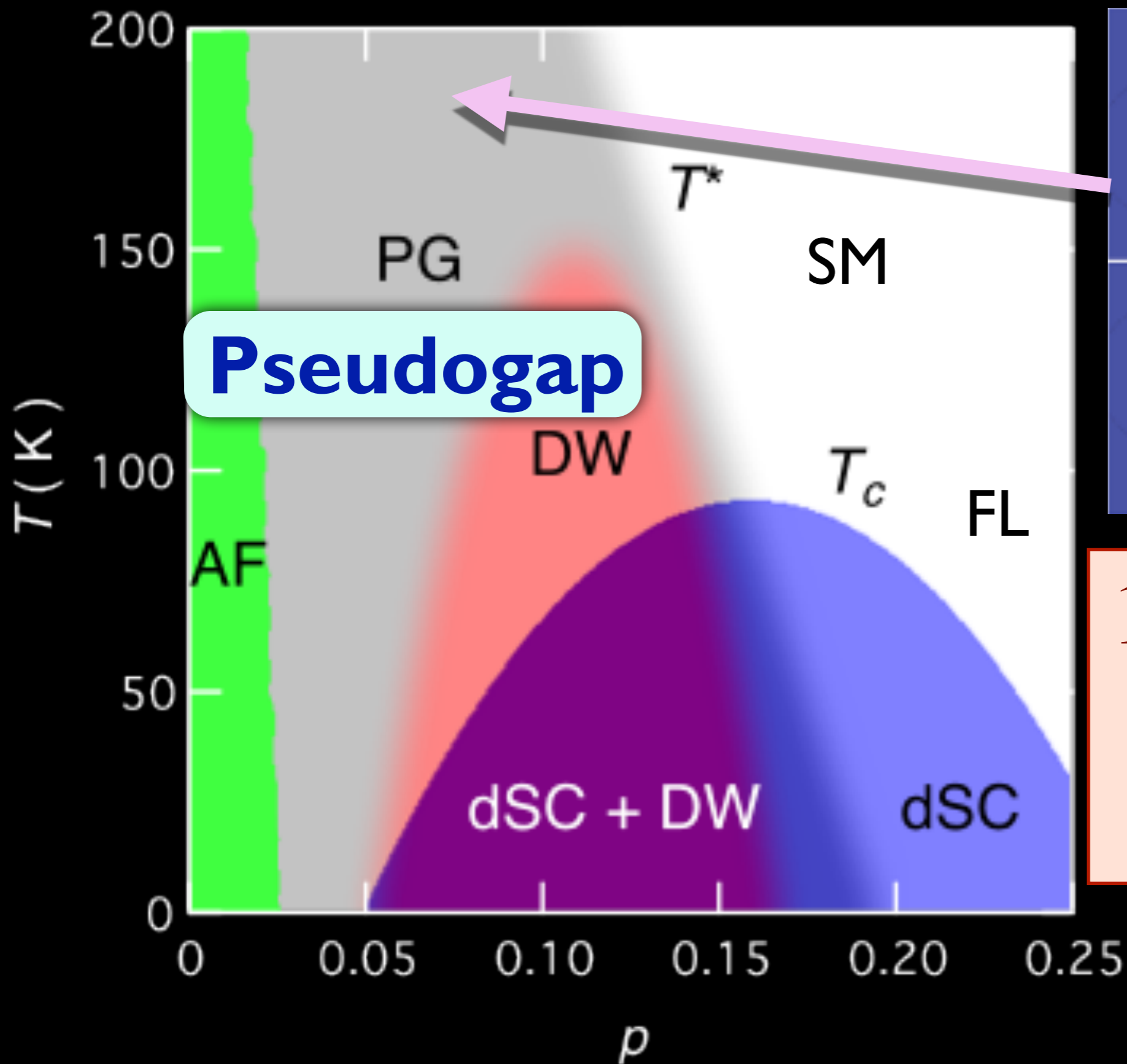
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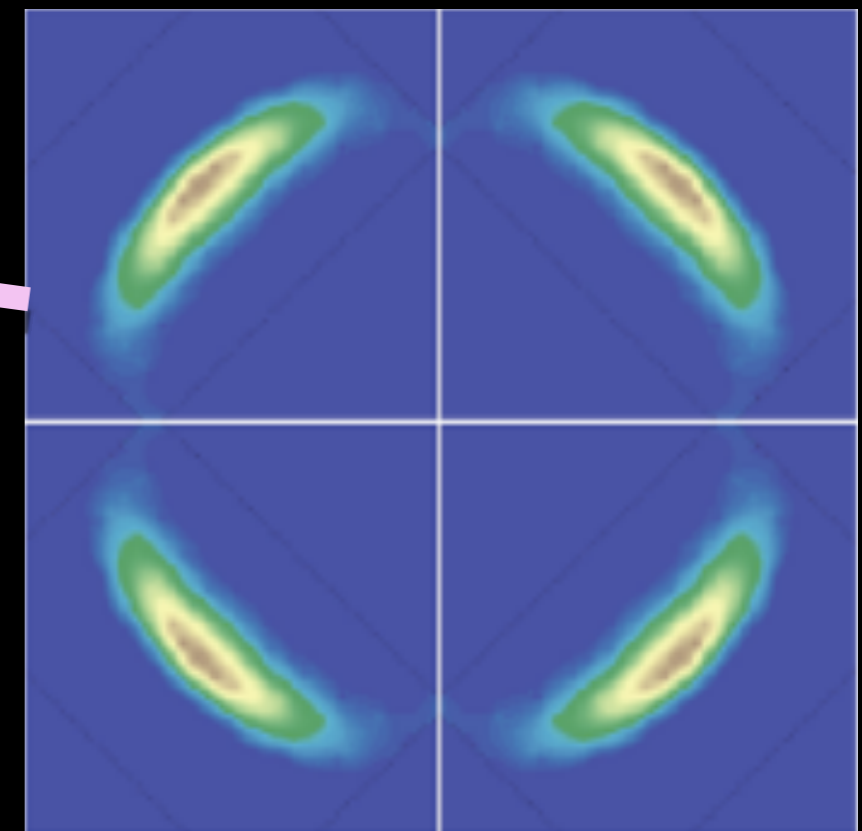


**Conventional metal**  
Area enclosed by Fermi surface =  $1+p$

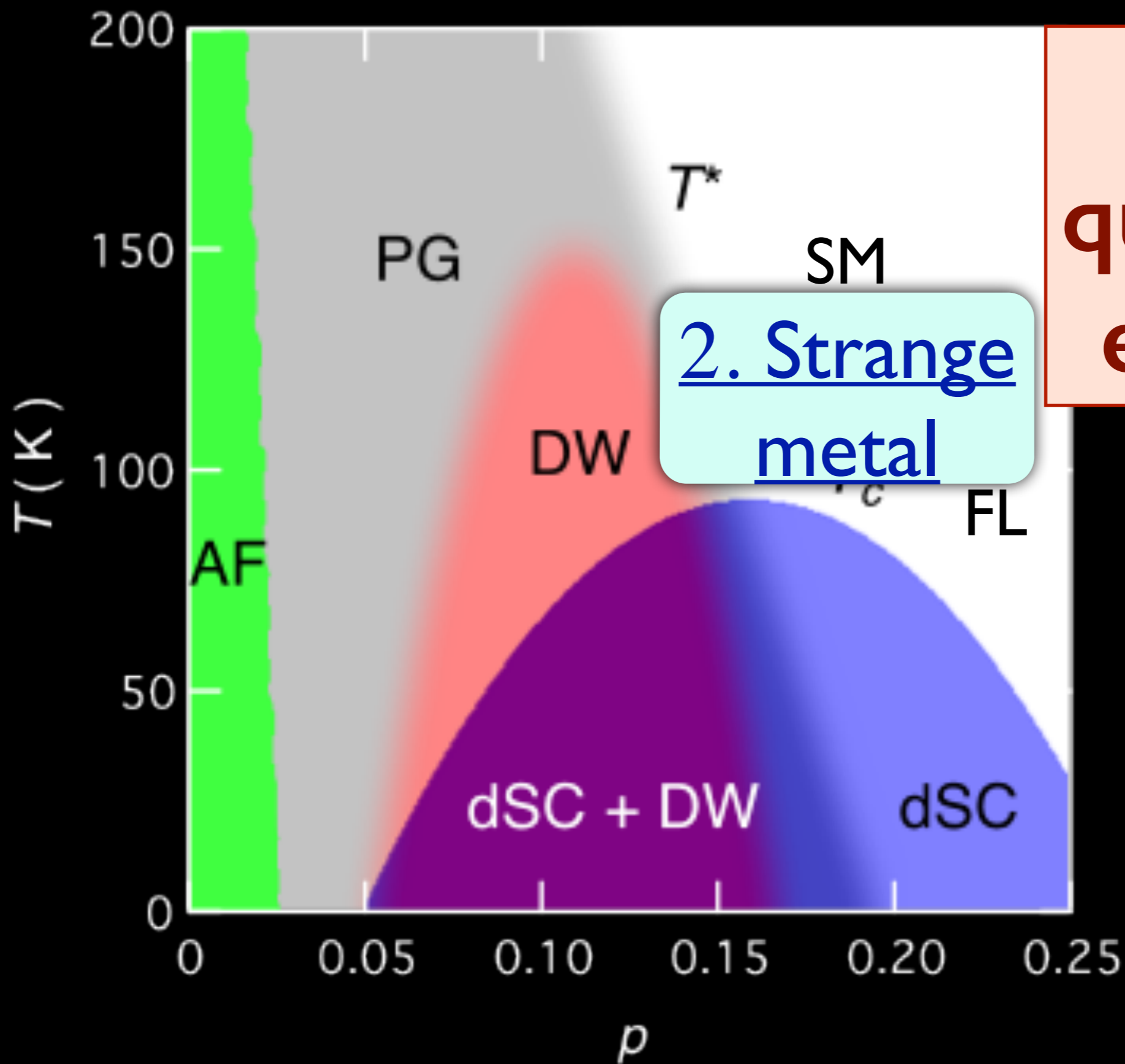
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**Pseudogap**



1. Pseudogap metal  
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**No  
quasiparticle  
excitations**

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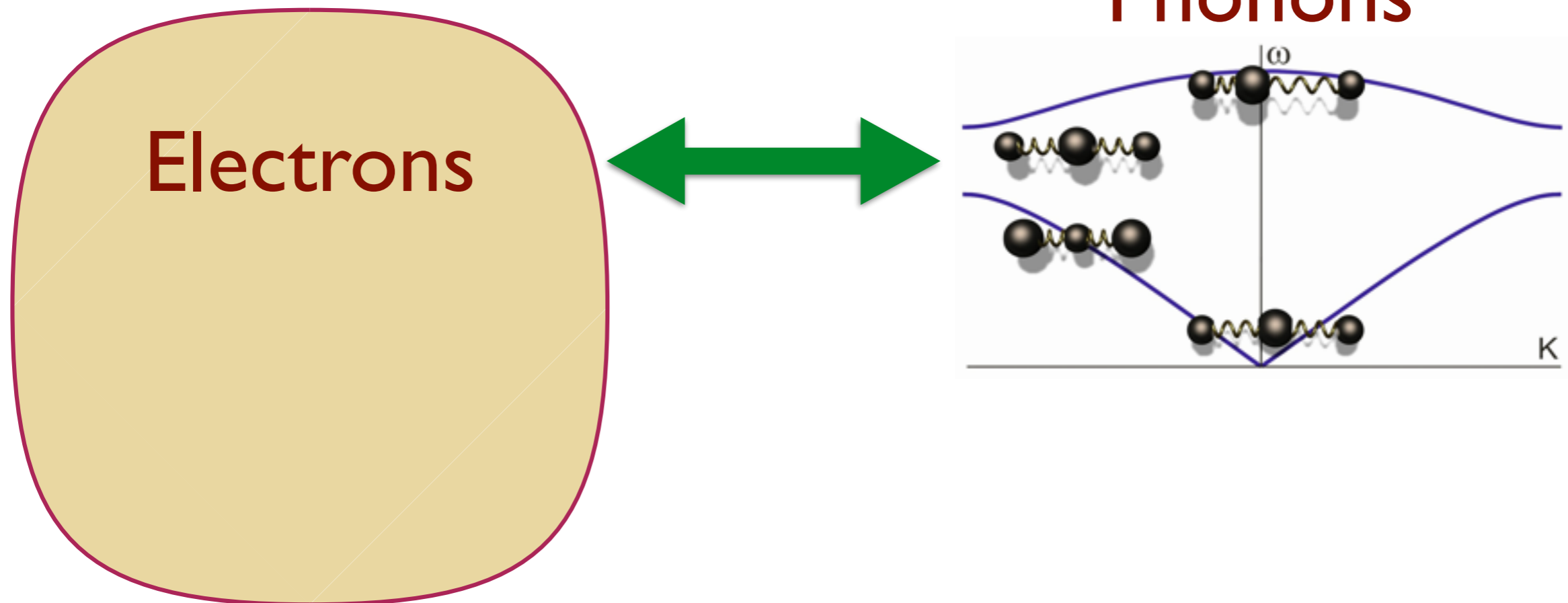
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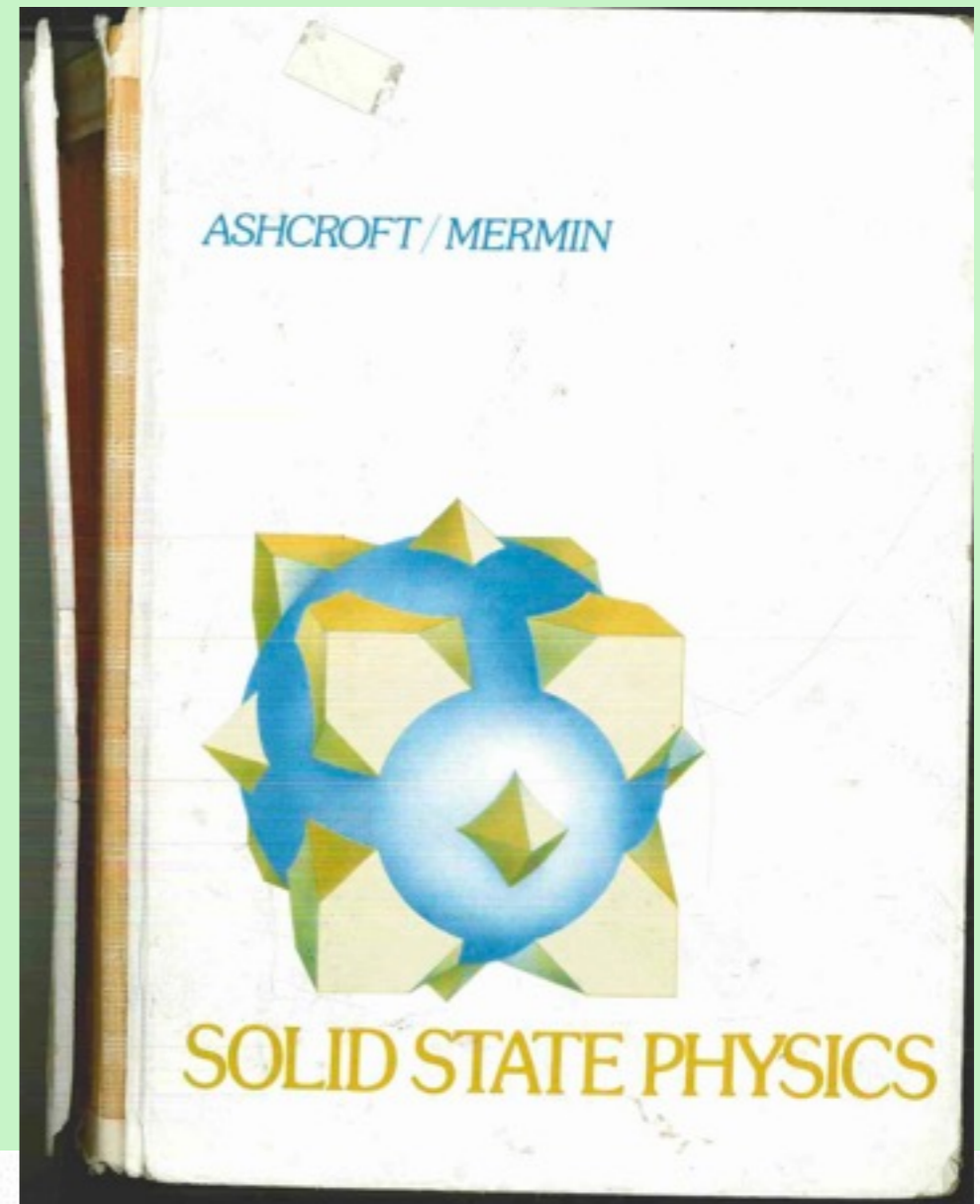
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However, this ignores “phonon drag”

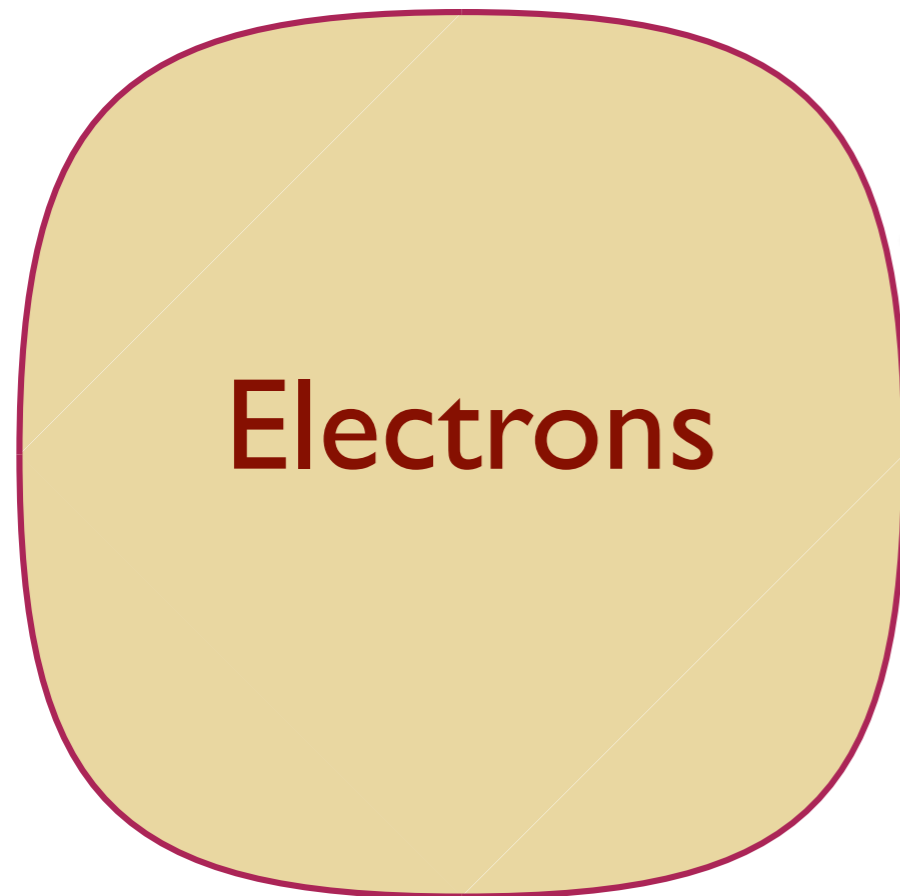
## PHONON DRAG

Peierls<sup>28</sup> pointed out a way in which the low temperature resistivity might decline more rapidly than  $T^5$ . This behavior has yet to be observed,

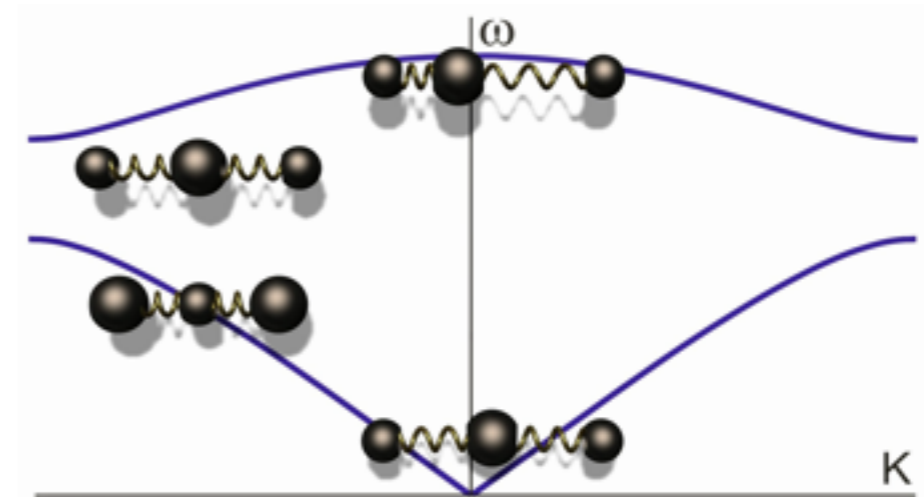
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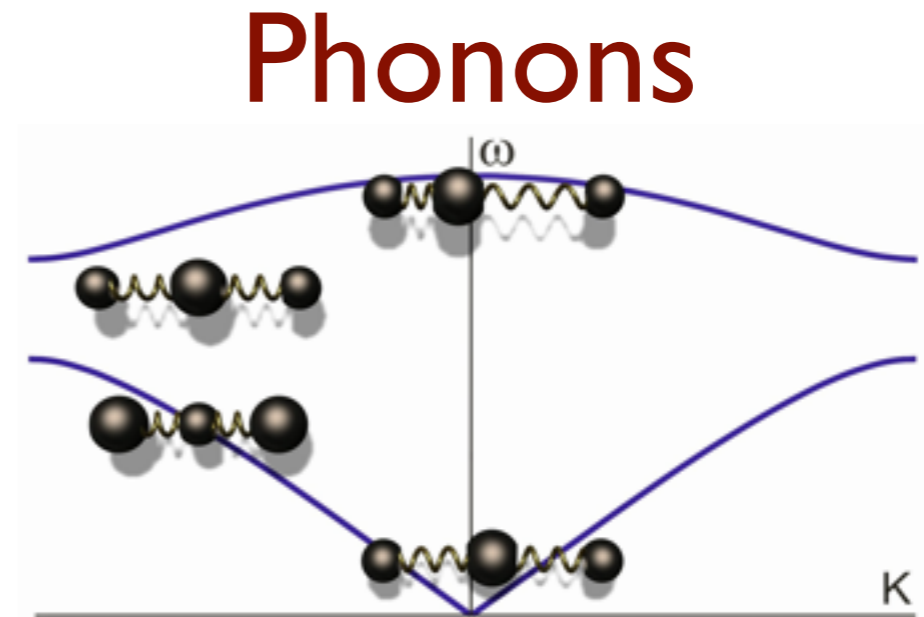
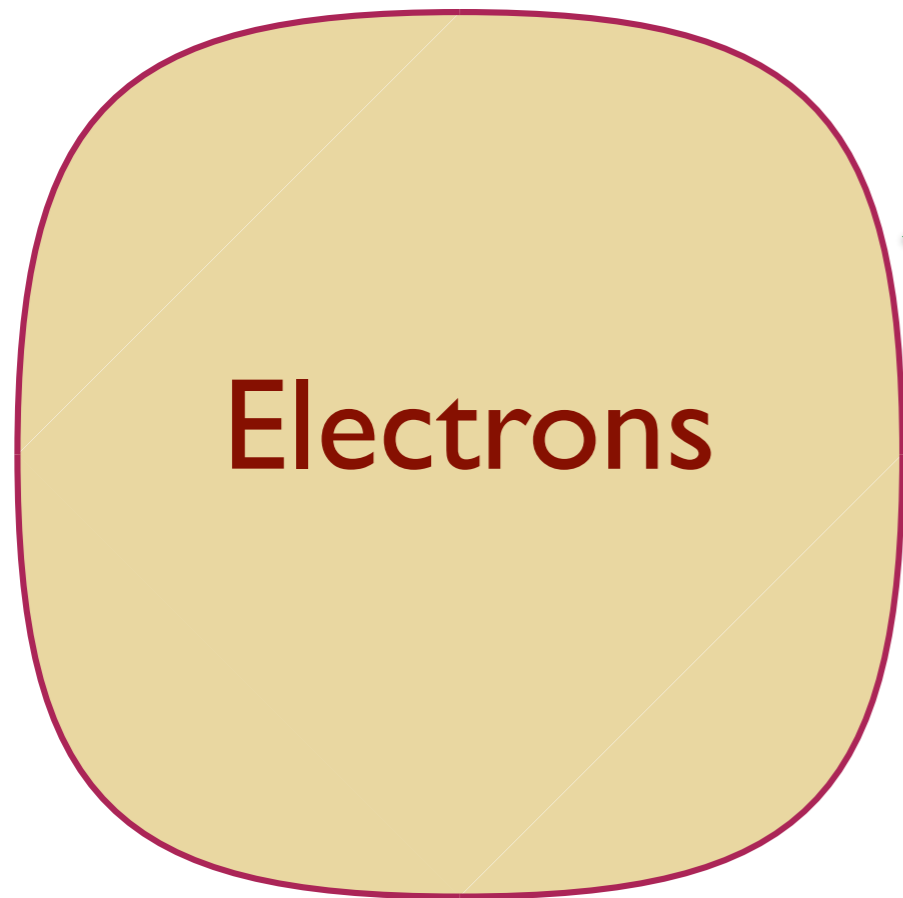
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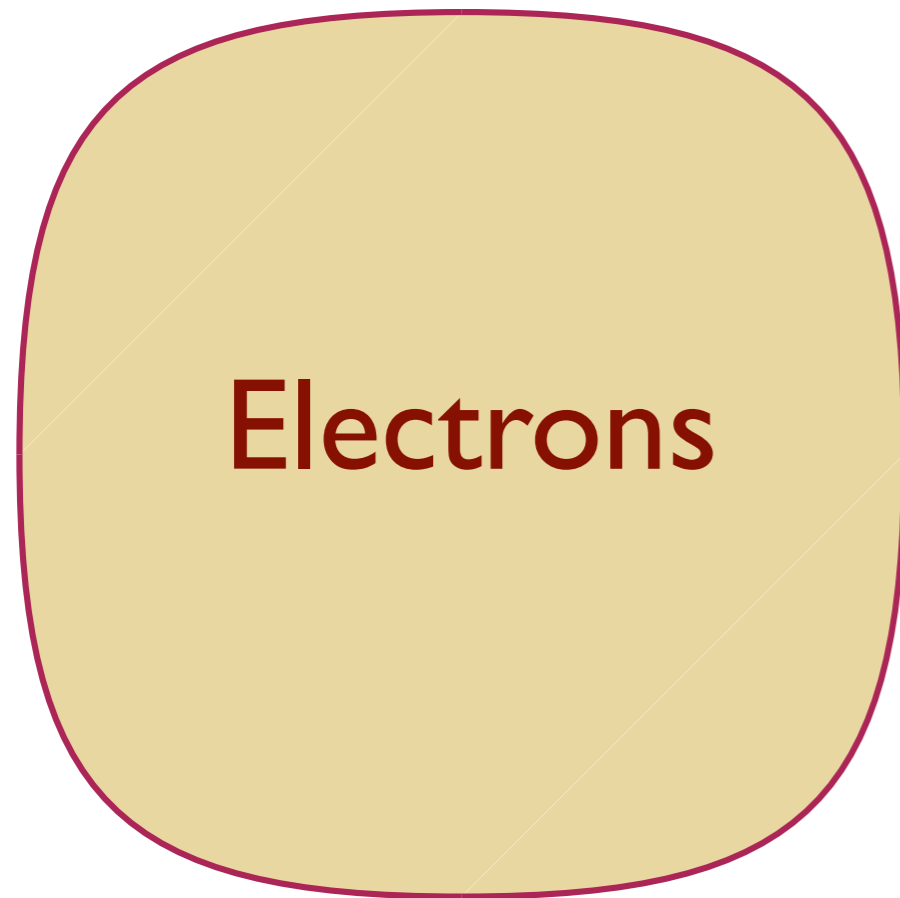


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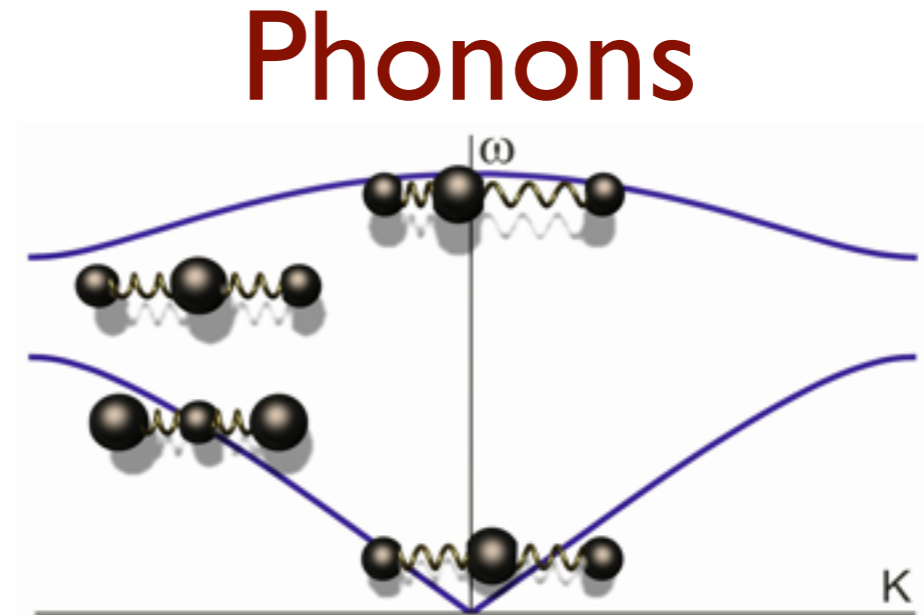
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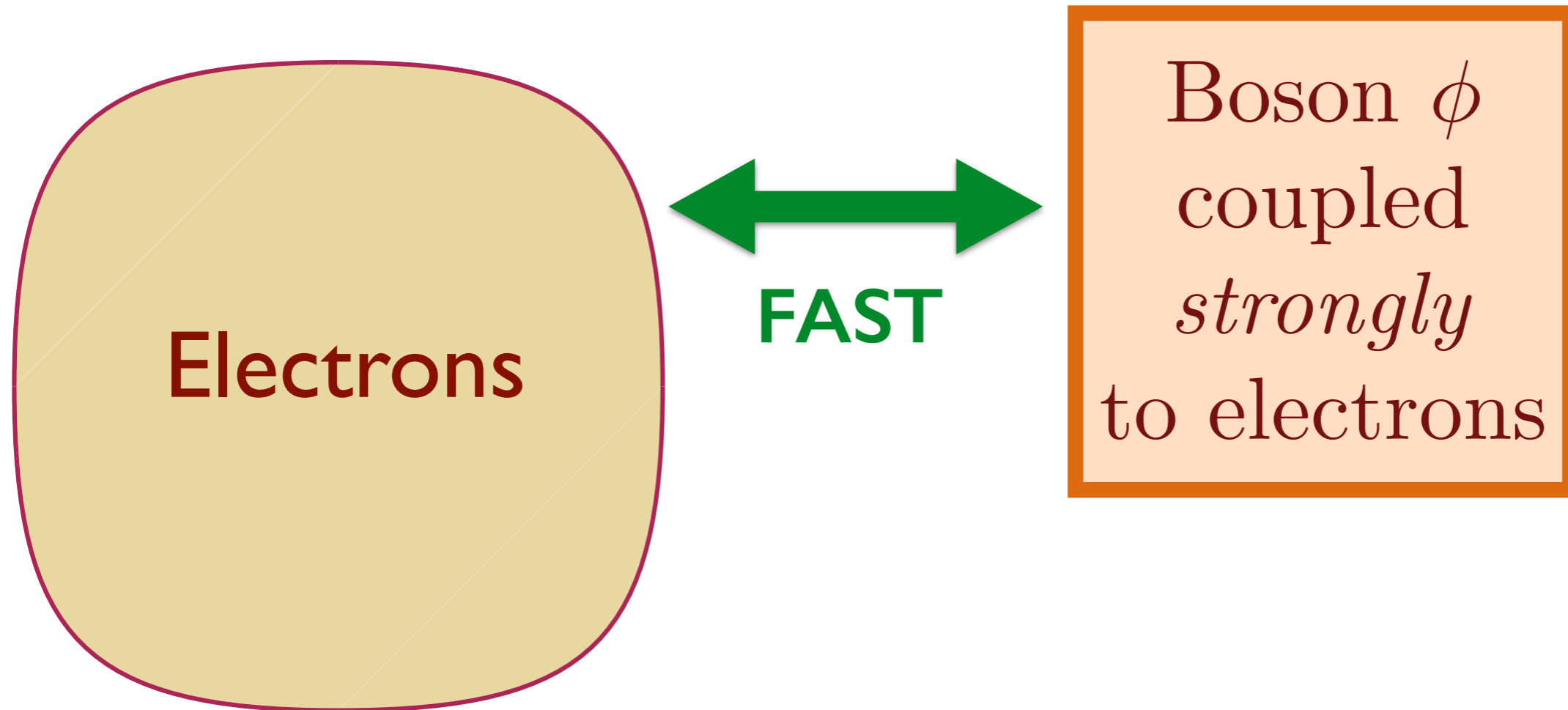
Process  
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(Bloch)



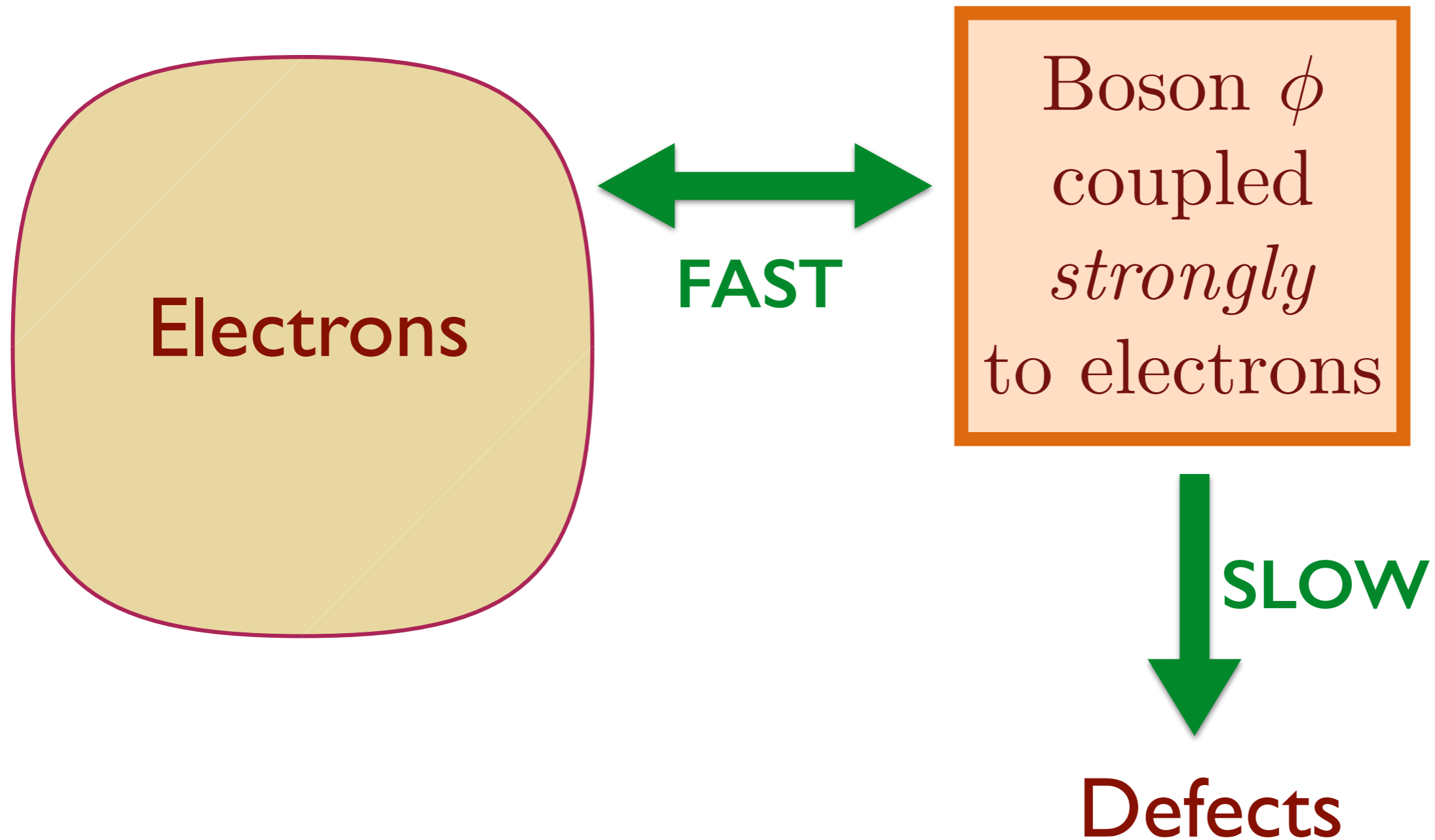
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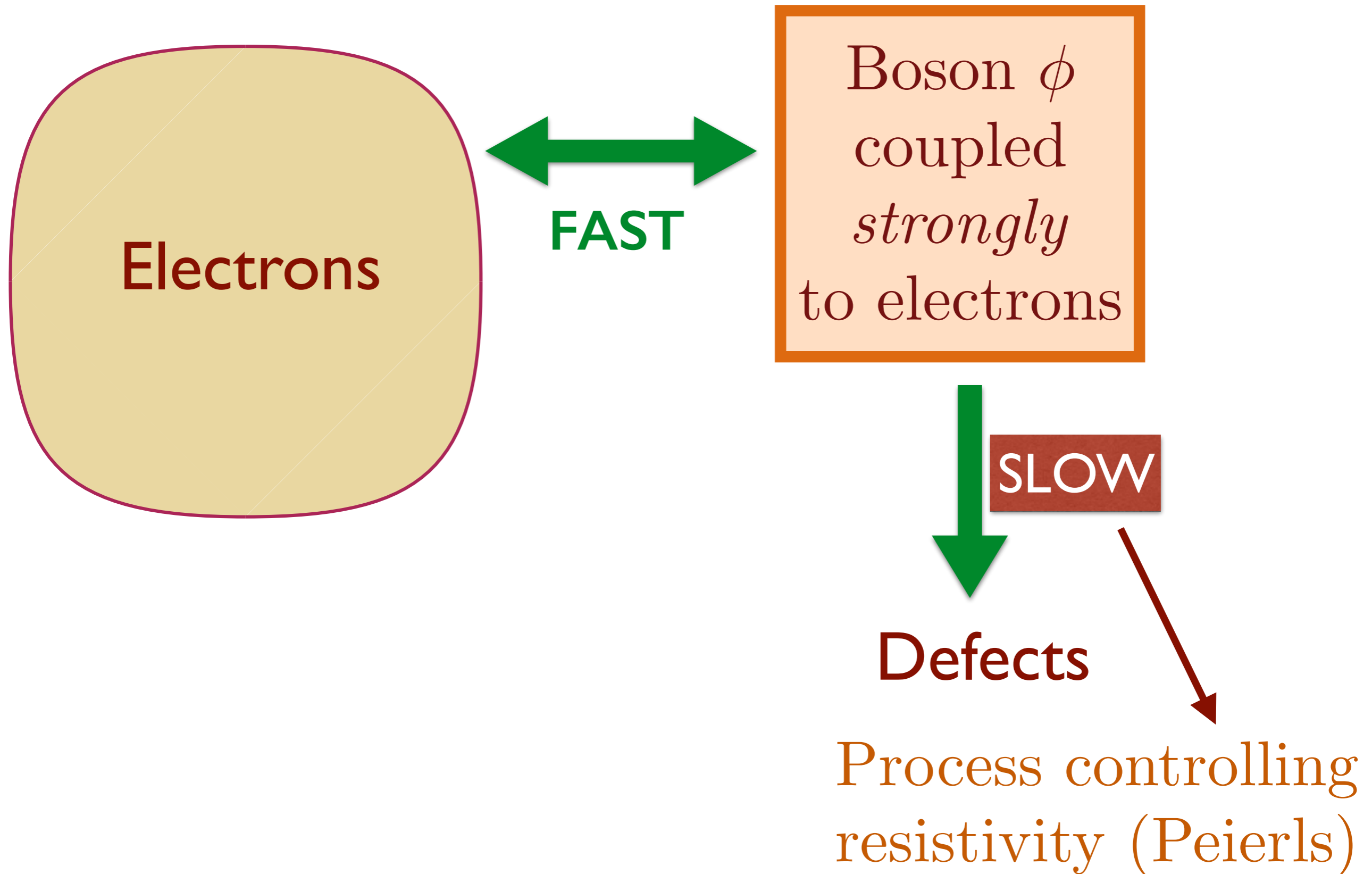
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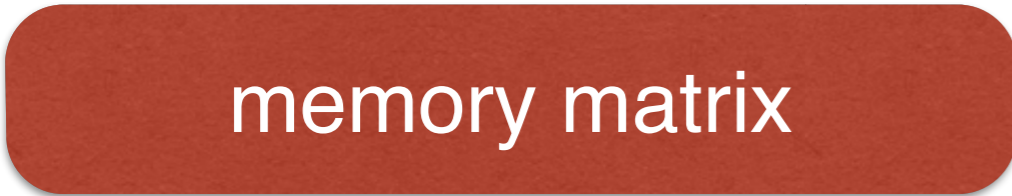
universal constraints on transport



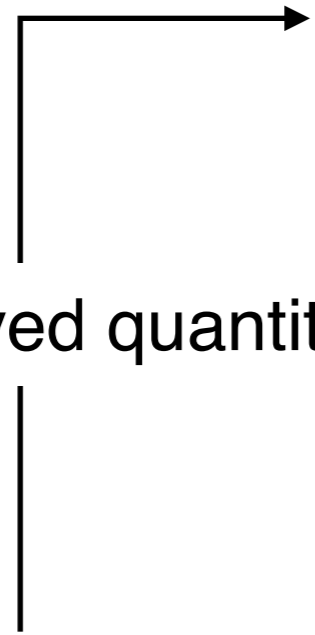
long time dynamics;  
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perturbative  
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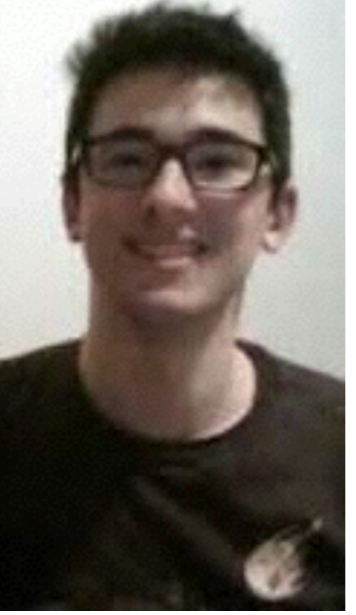


few conserved quantities



appropriate microscopics  
for cuprates and graphene

matrix large N theory;  
non-perturbative computations



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In theories which are relativistic at high energies (including graphene),  $T\alpha_Q(\omega) = -\mu\sigma_Q(\omega)$ ,  $T\bar{\kappa}_Q(\omega) = \mu^2\sigma_Q(\omega)$ ,  $\mathcal{M} = T\mathcal{S} + \mu Q = \mathcal{H}$  the enthalpy density, and  $Q = n$  the electron density

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Momentum relaxation by an external source  $h$  coupling to the operator  $\mathcal{O}$

$$\begin{aligned}H &= H_0 - \int d^d x h(x) \mathcal{O}(x). \\ \frac{\mathcal{M}}{\tau} &= \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0} \int d^d q |h(q)|^2 q_x^2 \frac{\text{Im}(G_{\mathcal{O}\mathcal{O}}^R(q, \omega))_{H_0}}{\omega} + \text{higher orders in } h\end{aligned}$$

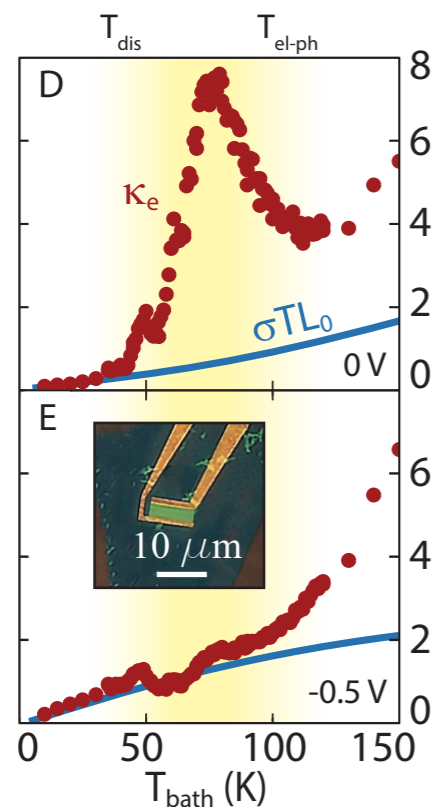
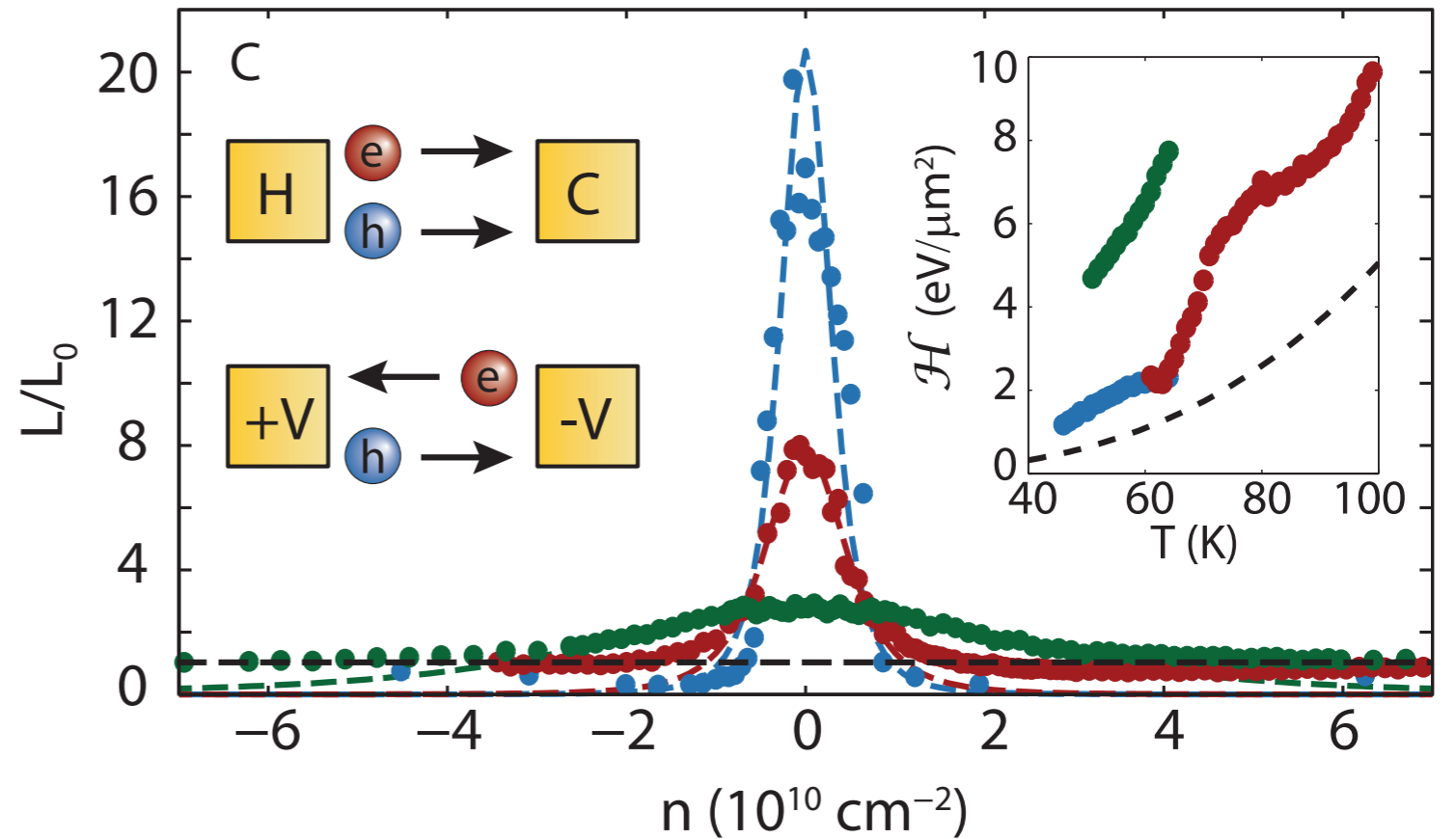
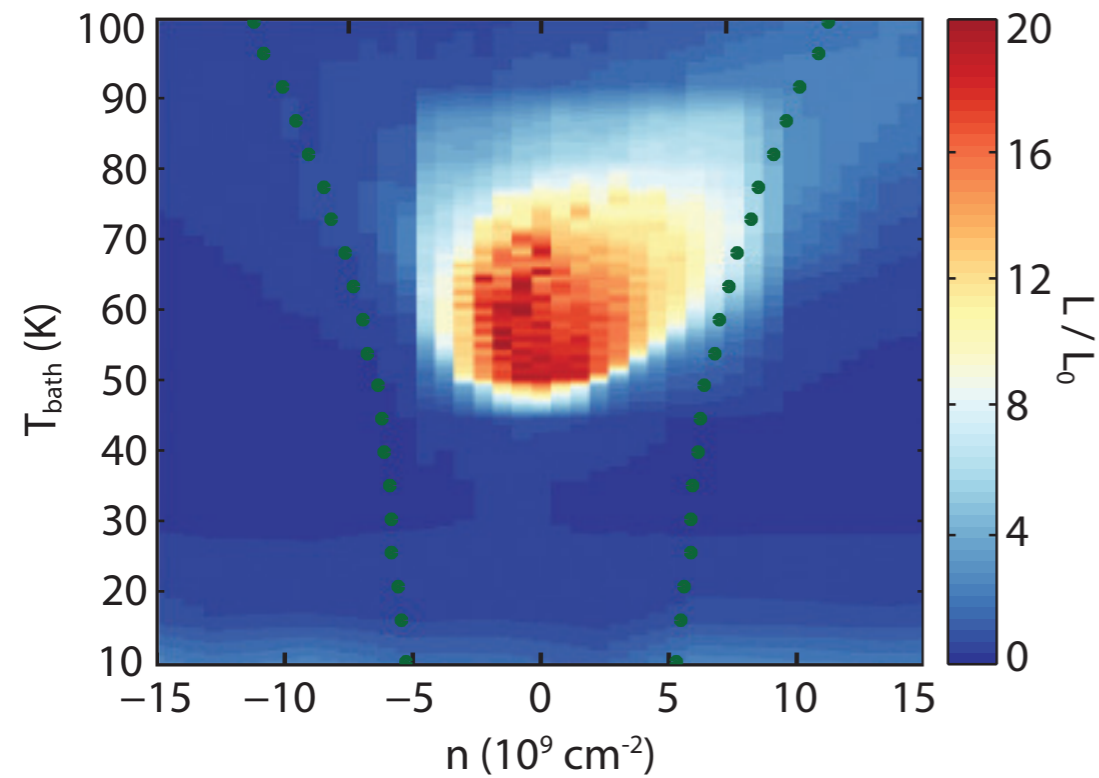
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# Observation of the Dirac fluid and the breakdown of the Wiedemann-Franz law in graphene

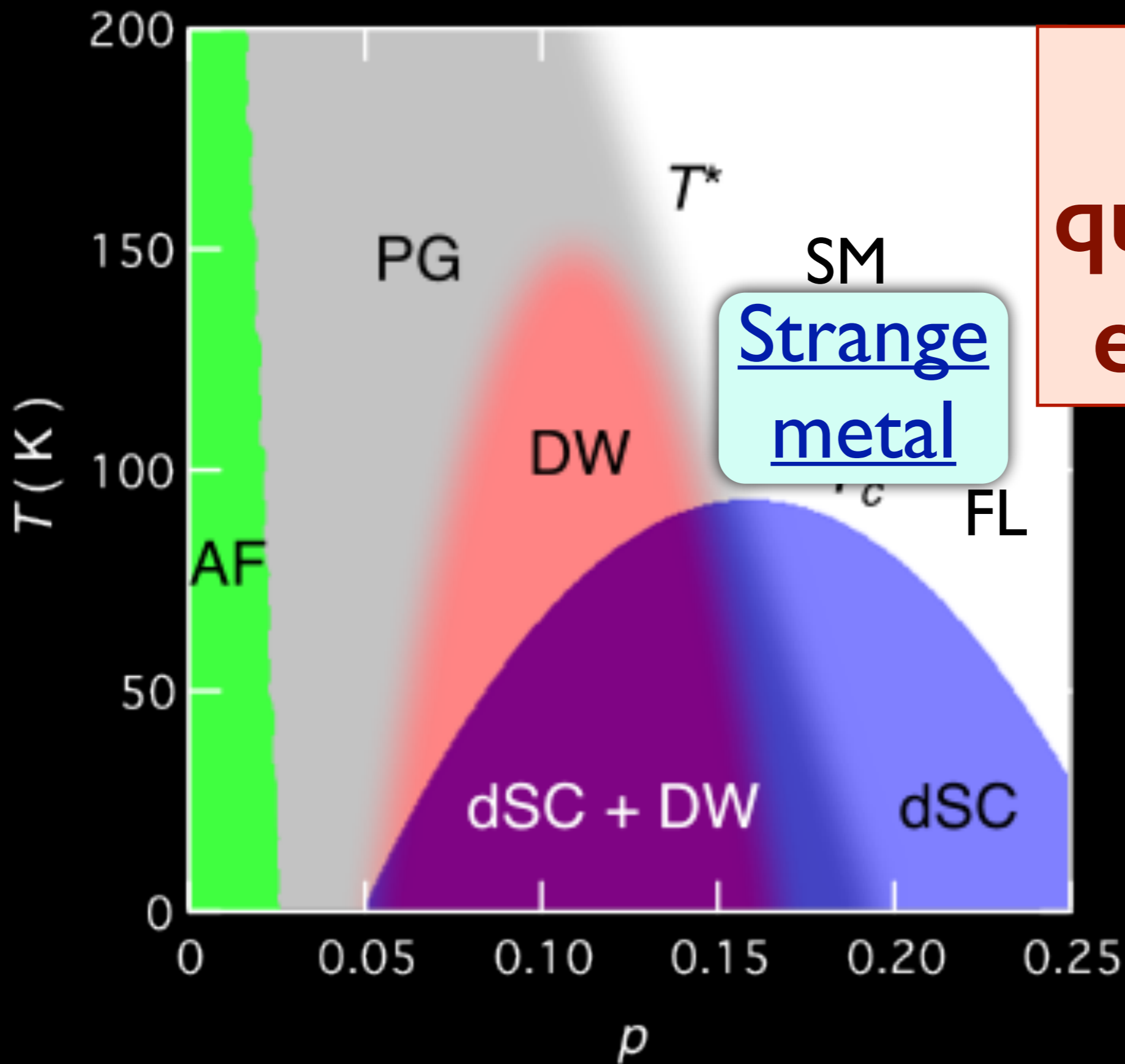
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Philip Kim,<sup>1,2,\*</sup> Takashi Taniguchi,<sup>4</sup> Kenji Watanabe,<sup>4</sup> Thomas A. Ohki,<sup>5</sup> and Kin Chung Fong<sup>5,†</sup>



Thermal conductivity  $\kappa = \bar{\kappa} - T\alpha^2/\sigma$

Lorentz ratio  $L = \kappa/(T\sigma)$

$$= \frac{\mathcal{H}\tau}{T^2\sigma_Q} \frac{1}{(1 + n^2\tau/(\mathcal{H}\sigma_Q))^2}$$



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Blake and Donos: With  $\sigma_Q \sim 1/T$  and  $\tau \sim 1/T^2$ , we obtain  $\sigma_{xx} \sim 1/T$  and  $\tan(\theta_H) = \sigma_{xy}/\sigma_{xx} \sim 1/T^2$ , in agreement with data on cuprates (Ong, PRL 1991); such data cannot be explained in a quasiparticle model.

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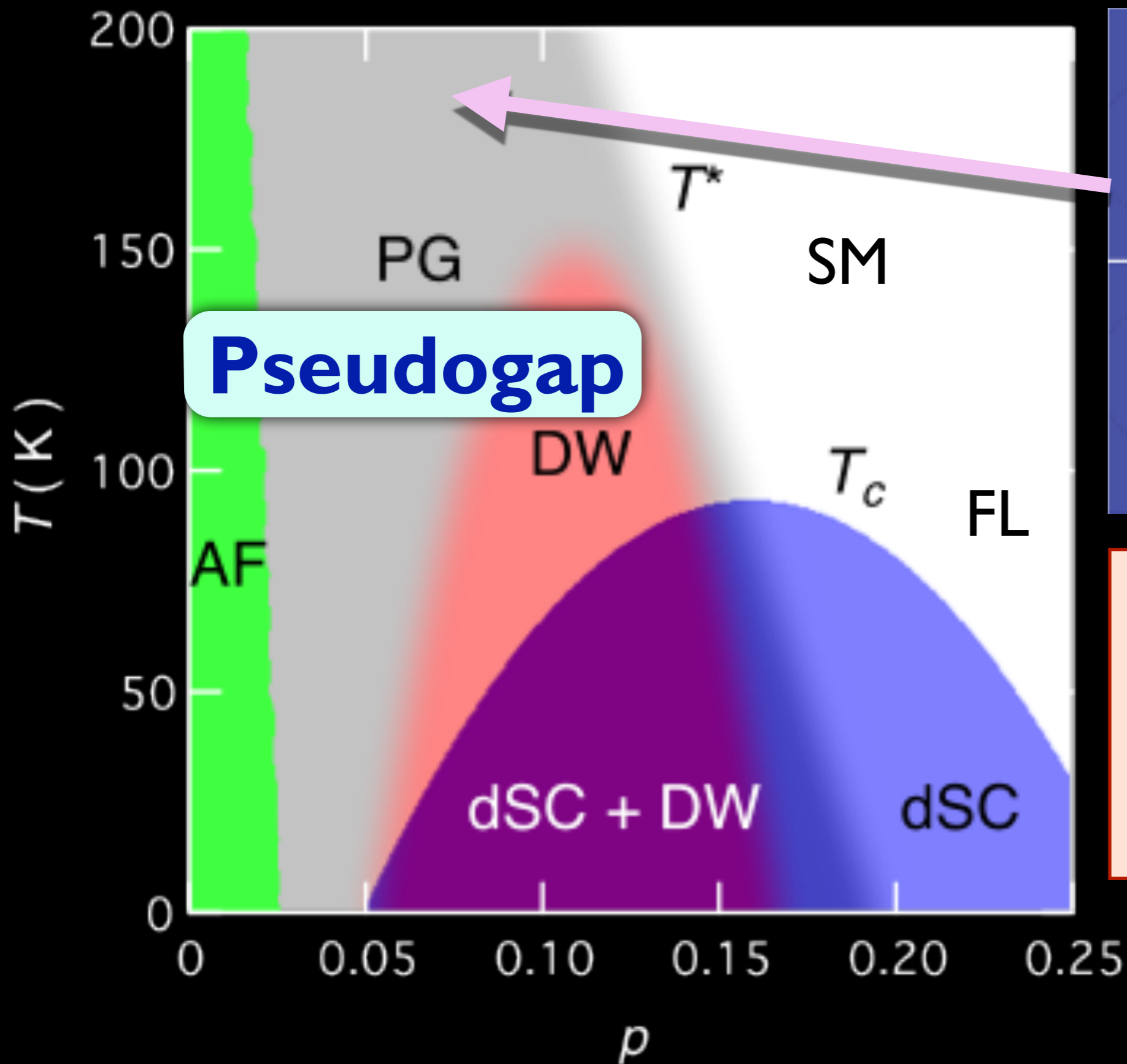
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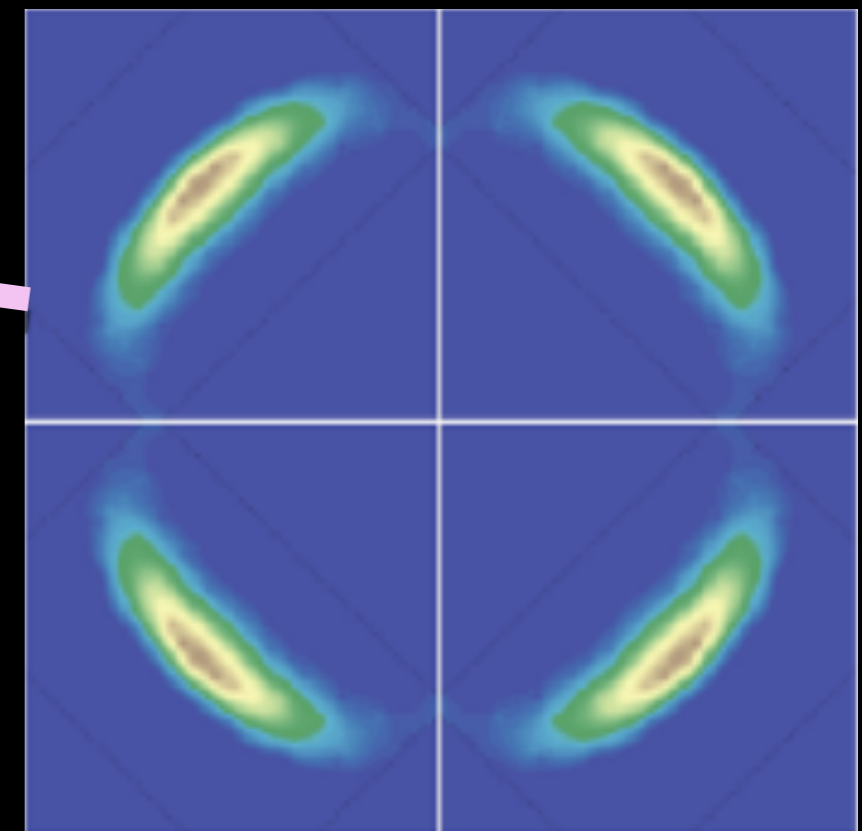
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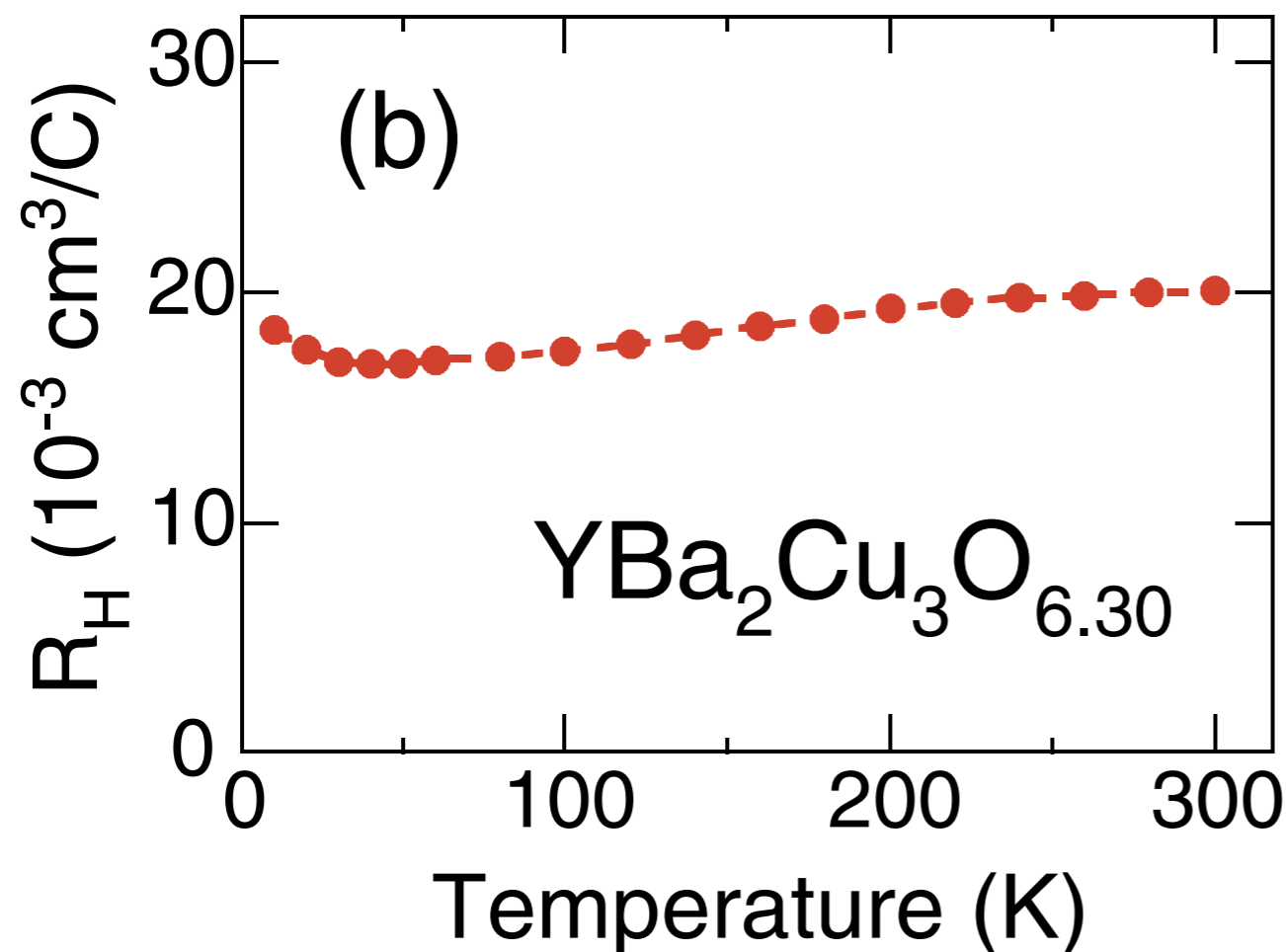
Pseudogap  
metal  
at low  $p$

# Electrical and optical evidence for Fermi surface of long-lived quasiparticles of density $p$

## Evolution of the Hall Coefficient and the Peculiar Electronic Structure of the Cuprate Superconductors

Yoichi Ando,<sup>\*</sup> Y. Kurita,<sup>†</sup> Seiki Komiyama, S. Ono, and Kouji Segawa

PRL 92, 197001 (2004)



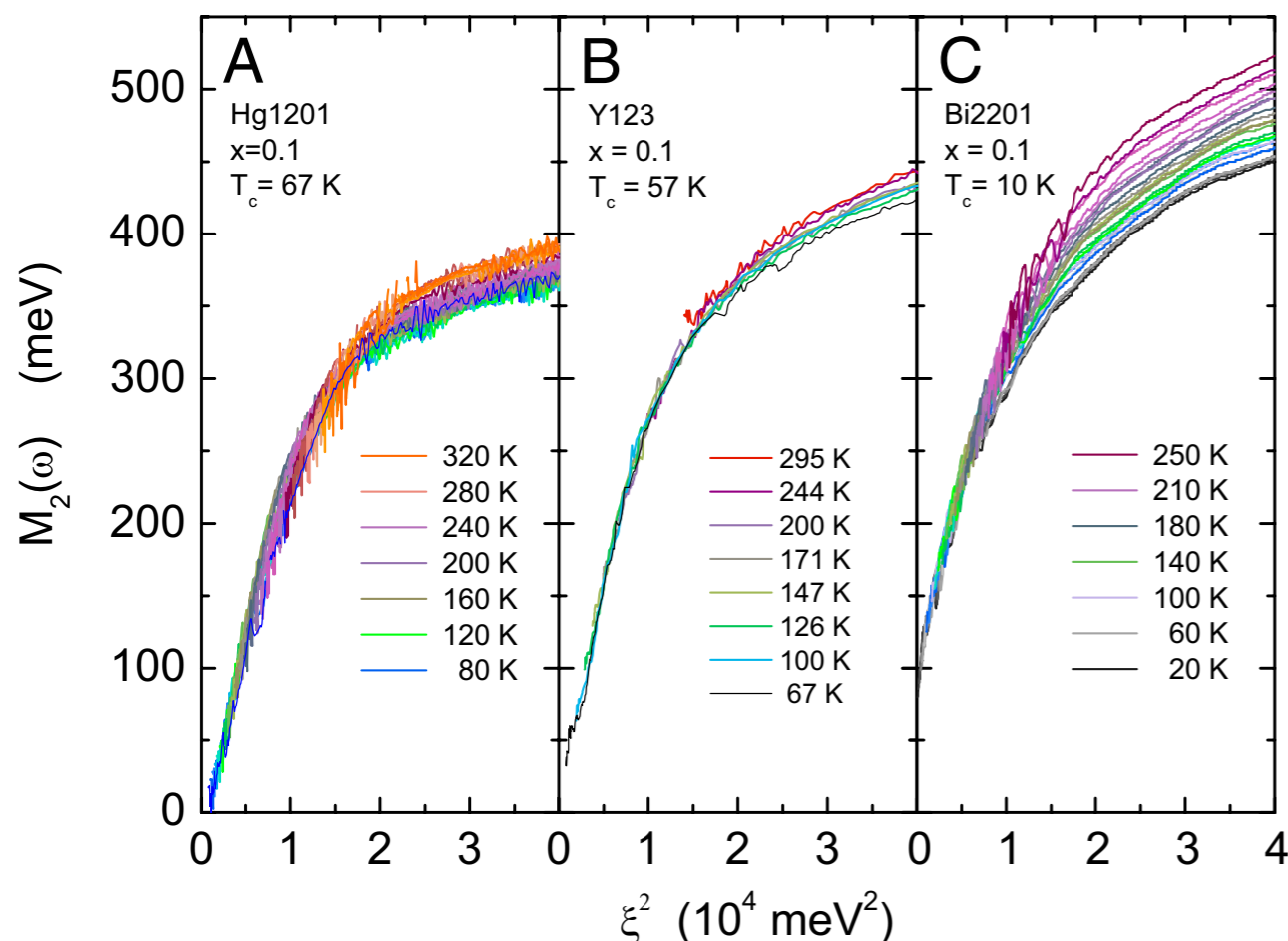
*T*-independent Hall effect in a magnetic field of fermions of charge  $+e$  and density  $p$

# Electrical and optical evidence for Fermi surface of long-lived quasiparticles of density $\rho$

## Spectroscopic evidence for Fermi liquid-like energy and temperature dependence of the relaxation rate in the pseudogap phase of the cuprates

Seyed Iman Mirzaei<sup>a</sup>, Damien Stricker<sup>a</sup>, Jason N. Hancock<sup>a,b</sup>, Christophe Berthod<sup>a</sup>, Antoine Georges<sup>a,c,d</sup>, Erik van Heumen<sup>a,e</sup>, Mun K. Chan<sup>f</sup>, Xudong Zhao<sup>f,g</sup>, Yuan Li<sup>h</sup>, Martin Greven<sup>f</sup>, Neven Barišić<sup>f,i,j</sup>, and Dirk van der Marel<sup>a,1</sup>

PNAS 110, 5774 (2013)



$$\sigma_{xx} \sim \frac{1}{(-i\omega + 1/\tau)}$$

with  $\frac{1}{\tau} \sim \omega^2 + T^2$

**Fig. 6.** Collapse of the frequency and temperature dependence of the relaxation rate of underdoped cuprate materials. Normal state  $M_2(\omega, T)$  as a function of  $\xi^2 \equiv (\hbar\omega)^2 + (\rho\pi k_B T)^2$

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## **In-Plane Magnetoresistance Obeys Kohler's Rule in the Pseudogap Phase of Cuprate Superconductors**

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**PRL 113, 177005 (2014)**

We report in-plane resistivity ( $\rho$ ) and transverse magnetoresistance (MR) measurements for underdoped  $\text{HgBa}_2\text{CuO}_{4+\delta}$  (Hg1201). Contrary to the long-standing view that Kohler's rule is strongly violated in underdoped cuprates, we find that it is in fact satisfied in the pseudogap phase of Hg1201. The transverse MR shows a quadratic field dependence,  $\delta\rho/\rho_0 = aH^2$ , with  $a(T) \propto T^{-4}$ . In combination with the observed  $\rho \propto T^2$  dependence, this is consistent with a single Fermi-liquid quasiparticle scattering rate. We show that this behavior is typically masked in cuprates with lower structural symmetry or strong disorder effects.

$$\rho_{xx} \sim \frac{1}{\tau} (1 + aH^2\tau^2 + \dots)$$

$$\text{with } \frac{1}{\tau} \sim T^2$$

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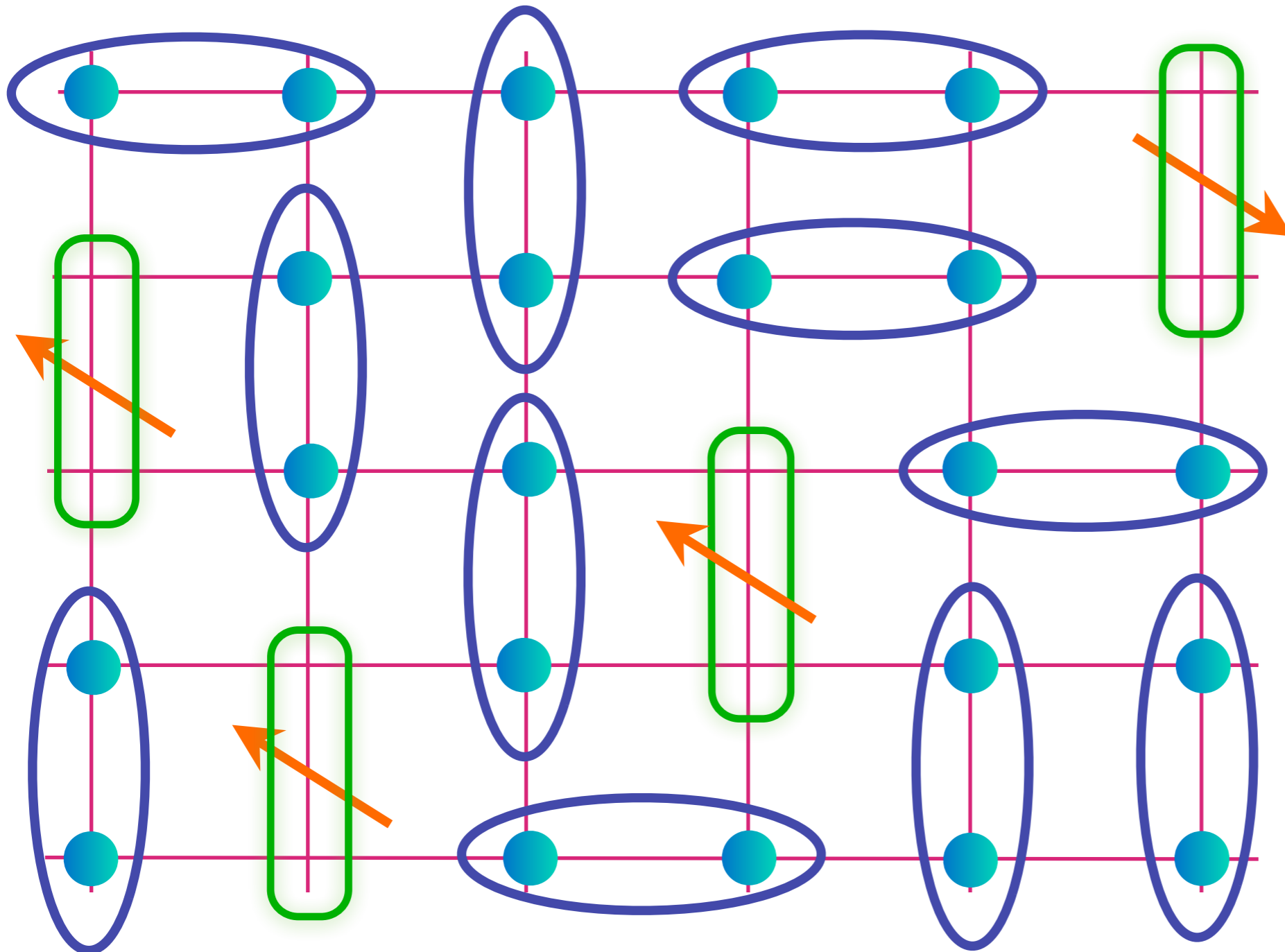
Answer: Yes.

There can be a Fermi surface of size  $p$ , but it must be accompanied by topological order, in a “fractionalized Fermi liquid”.

At  $T=0$ , such a metal must be separated from a Fermi liquid (with a Fermi surface of size  $1+p$ ) by a quantum phase transition

# Fractionalized Fermi liquid (FL\*)

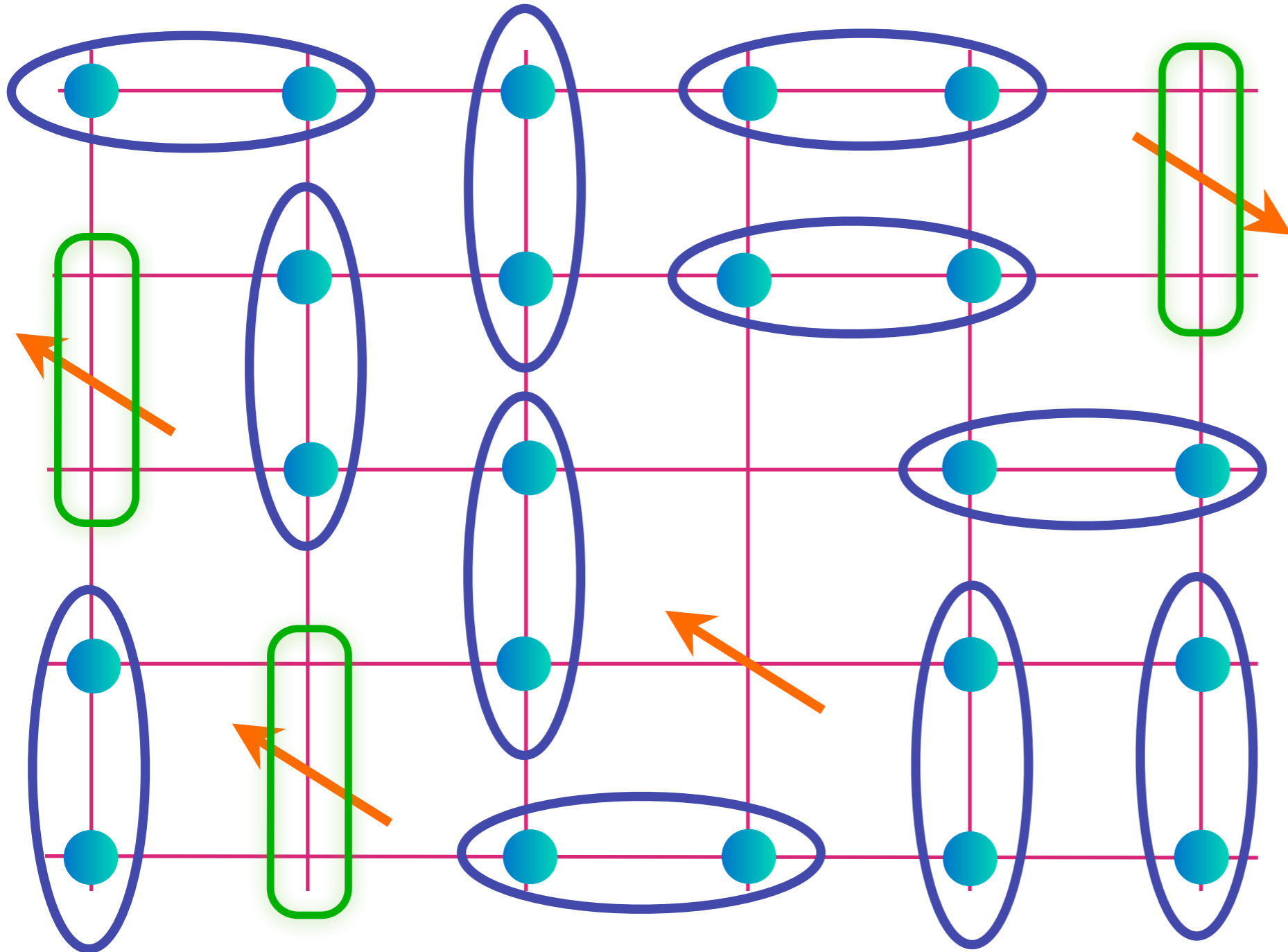

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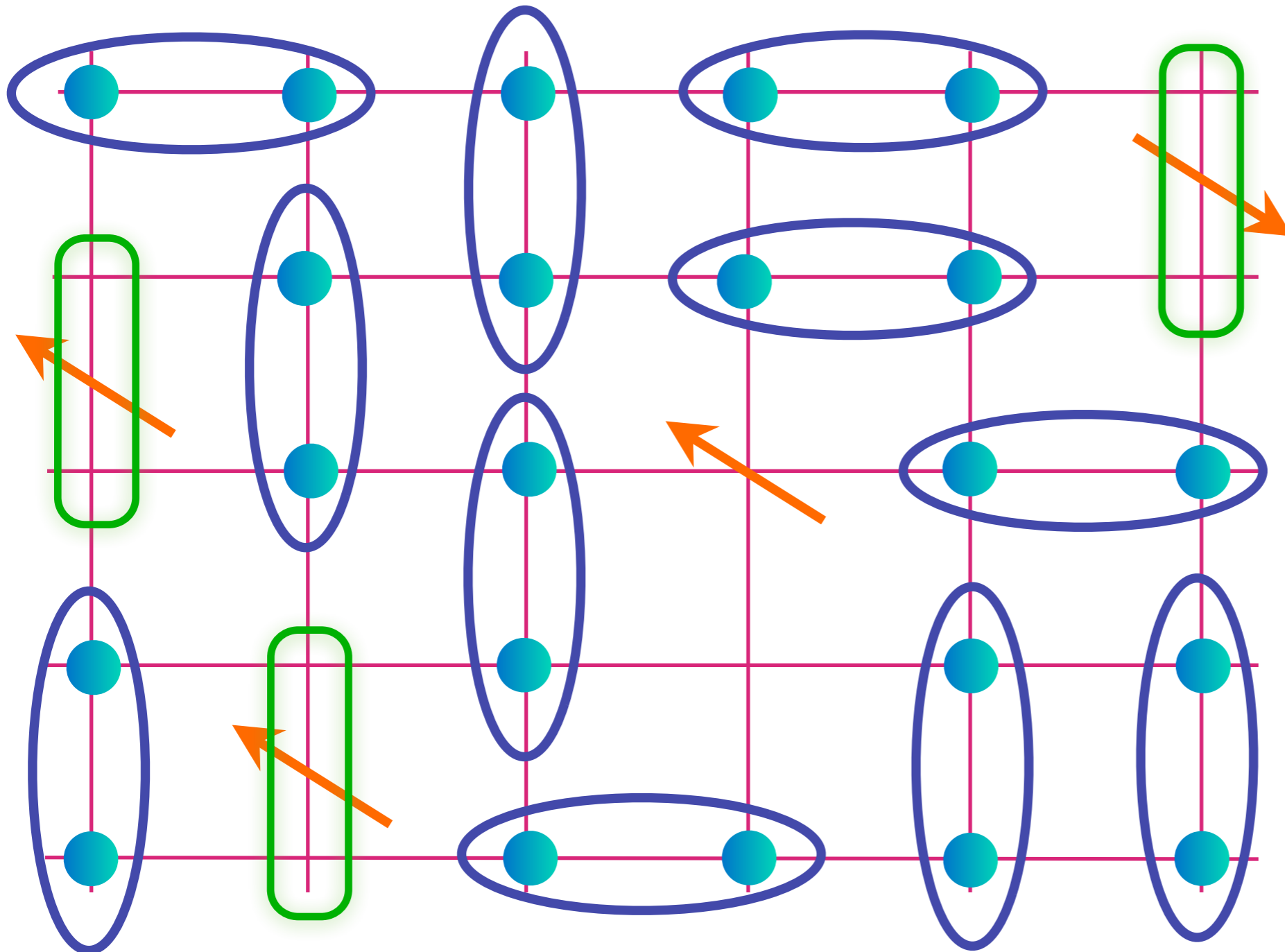
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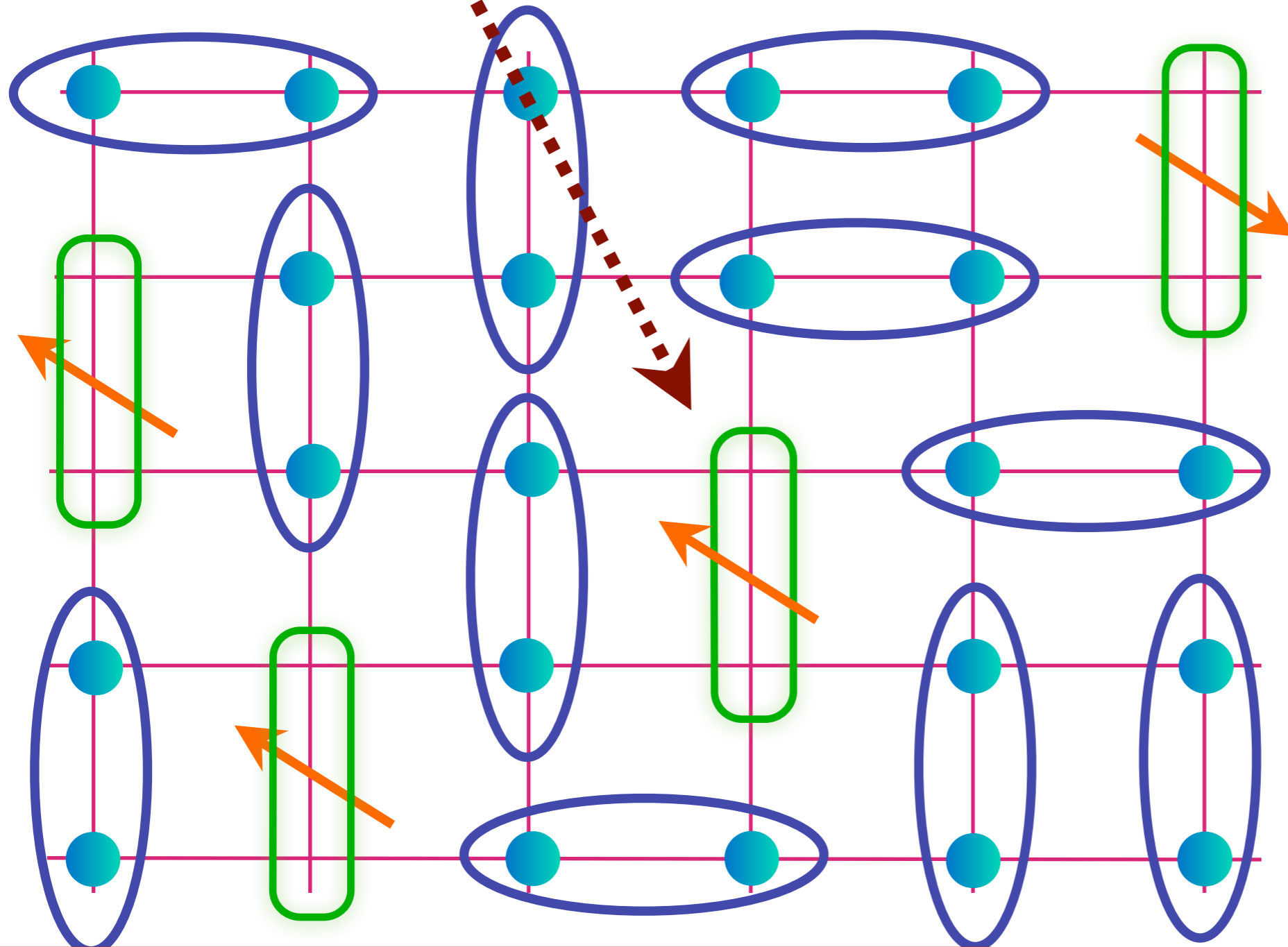
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A fermionic “dimer” describing a “bonding” orbital between two sites

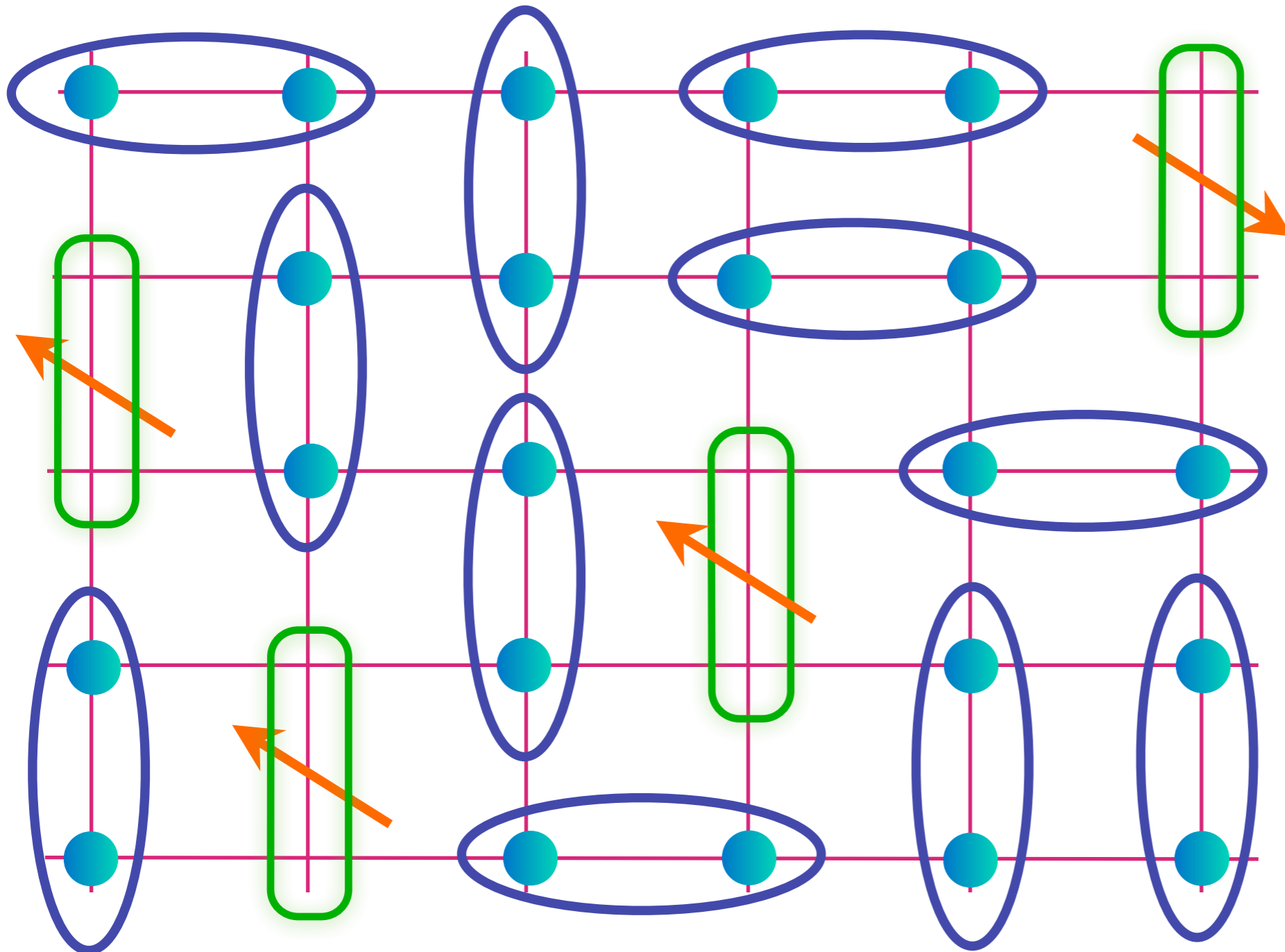


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Density of fermionic dimers =  $p$ ;  
density of holes relative to filled band =  $1 + p$

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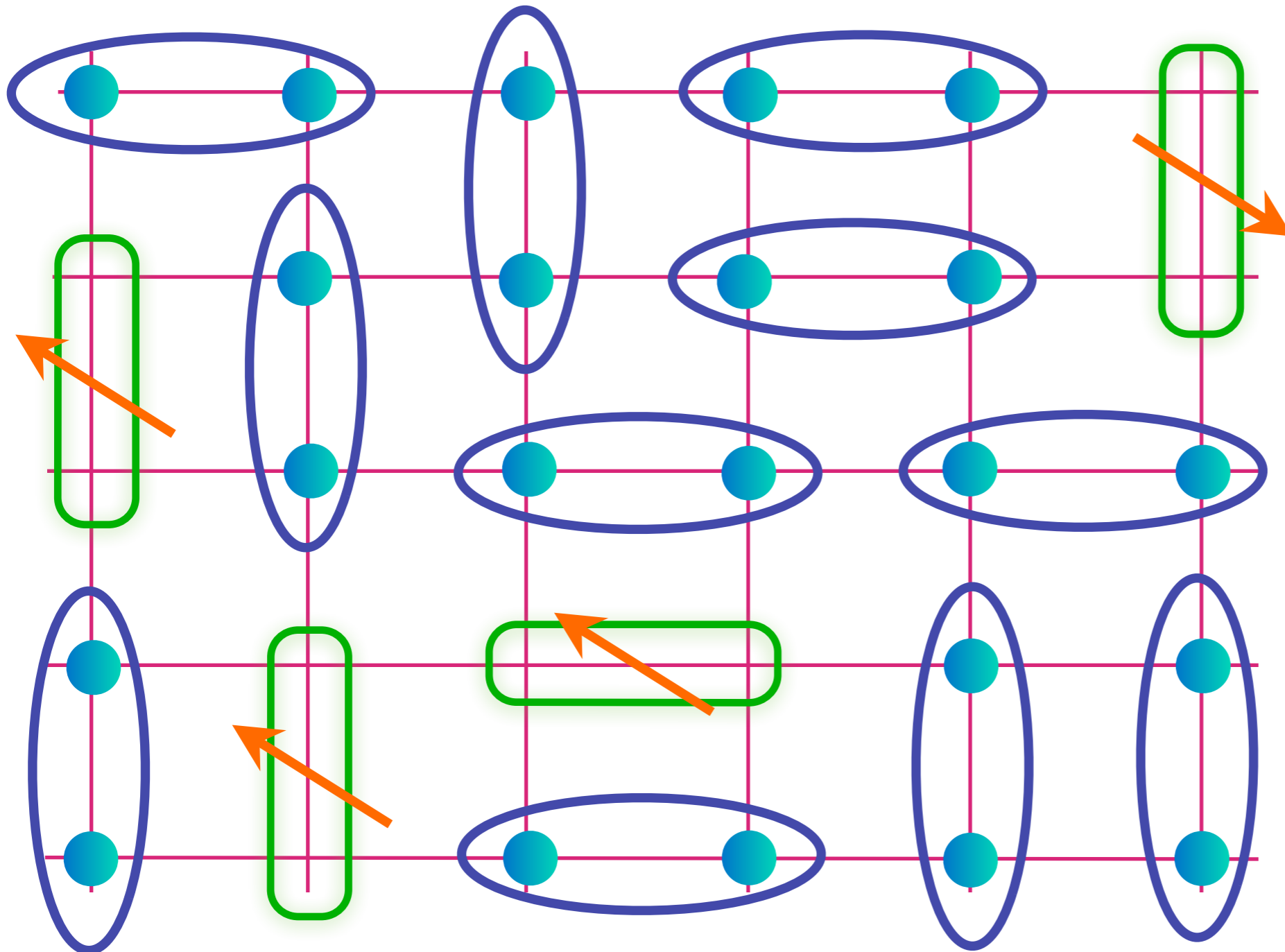

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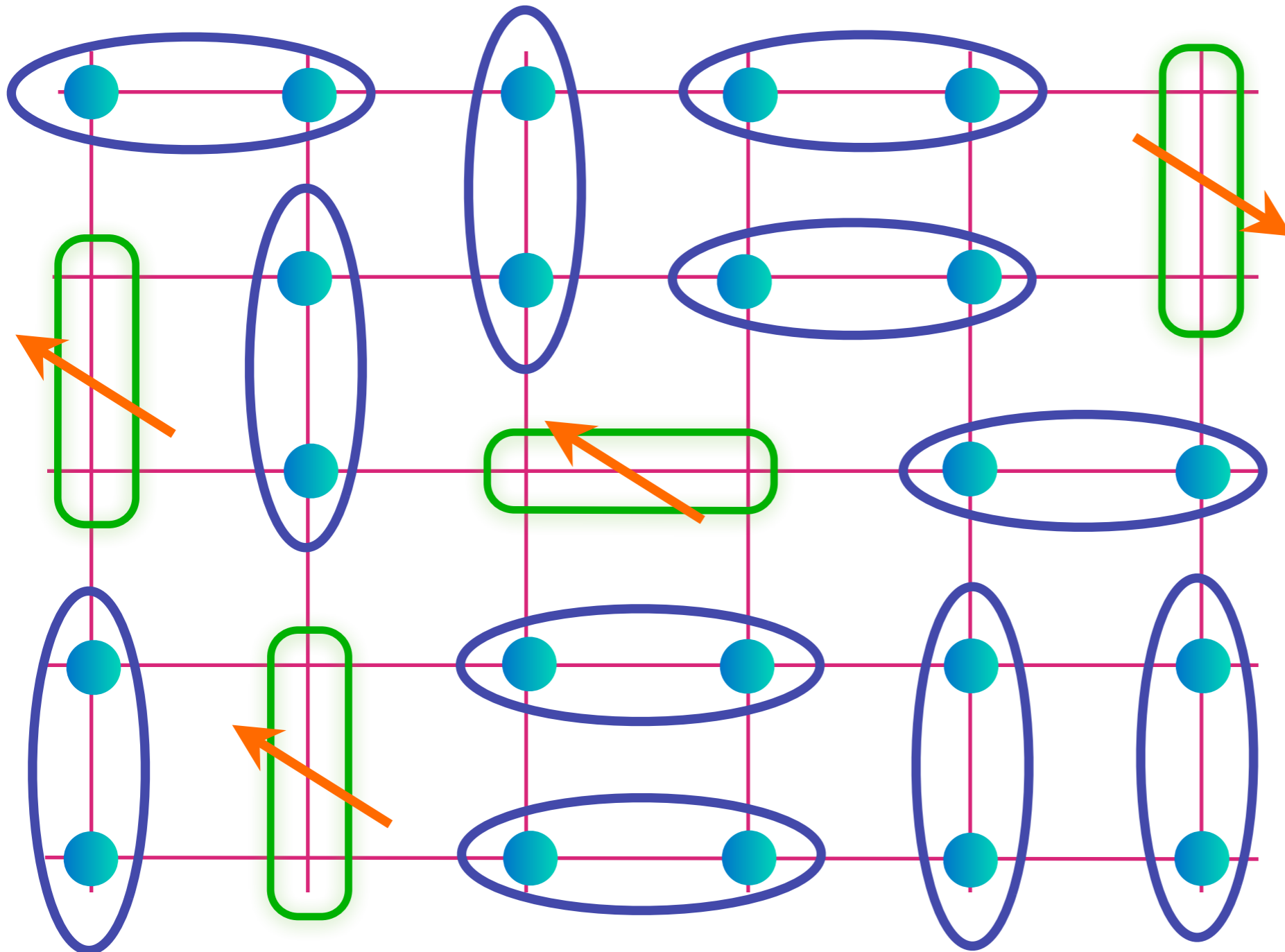
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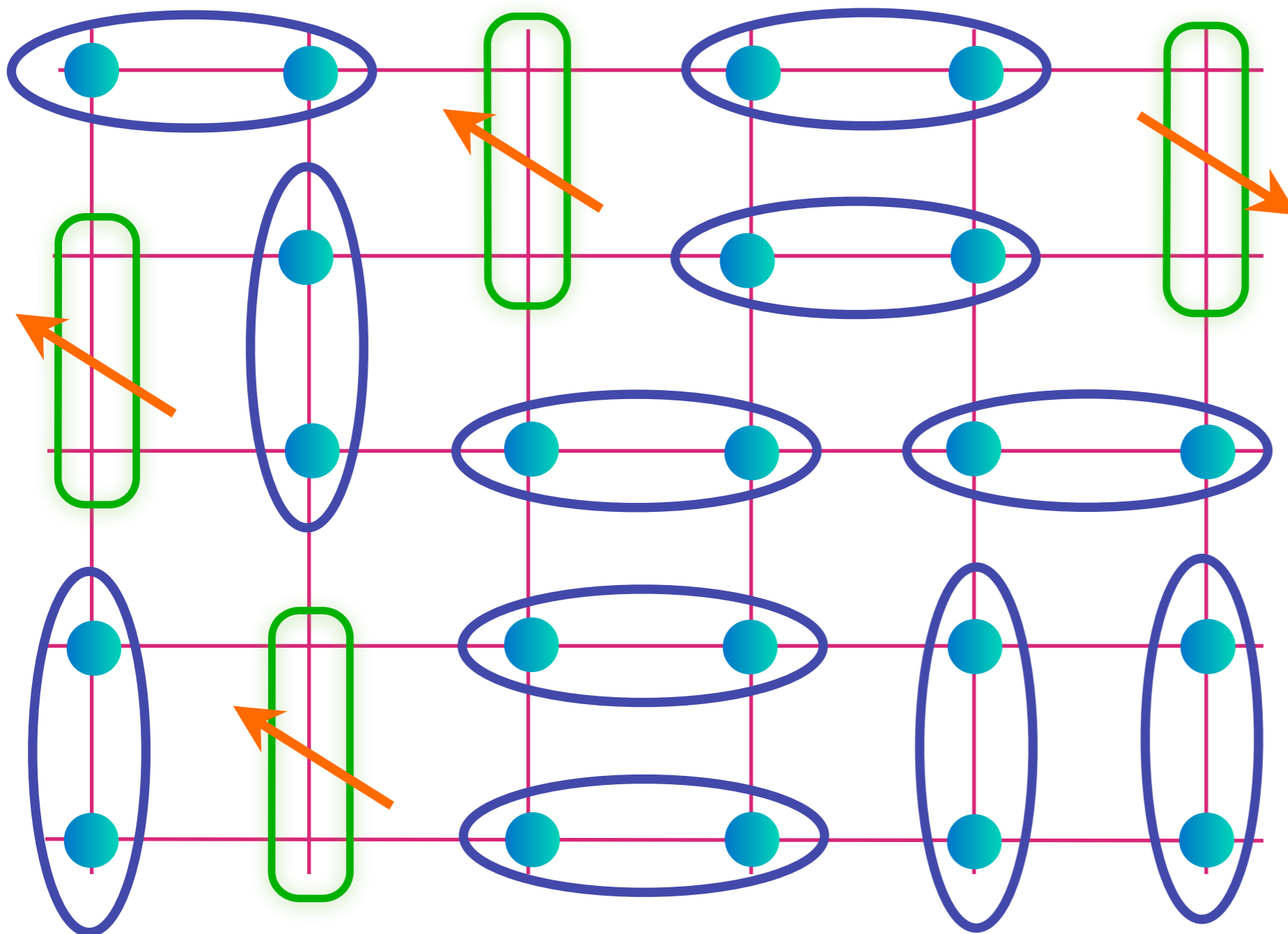

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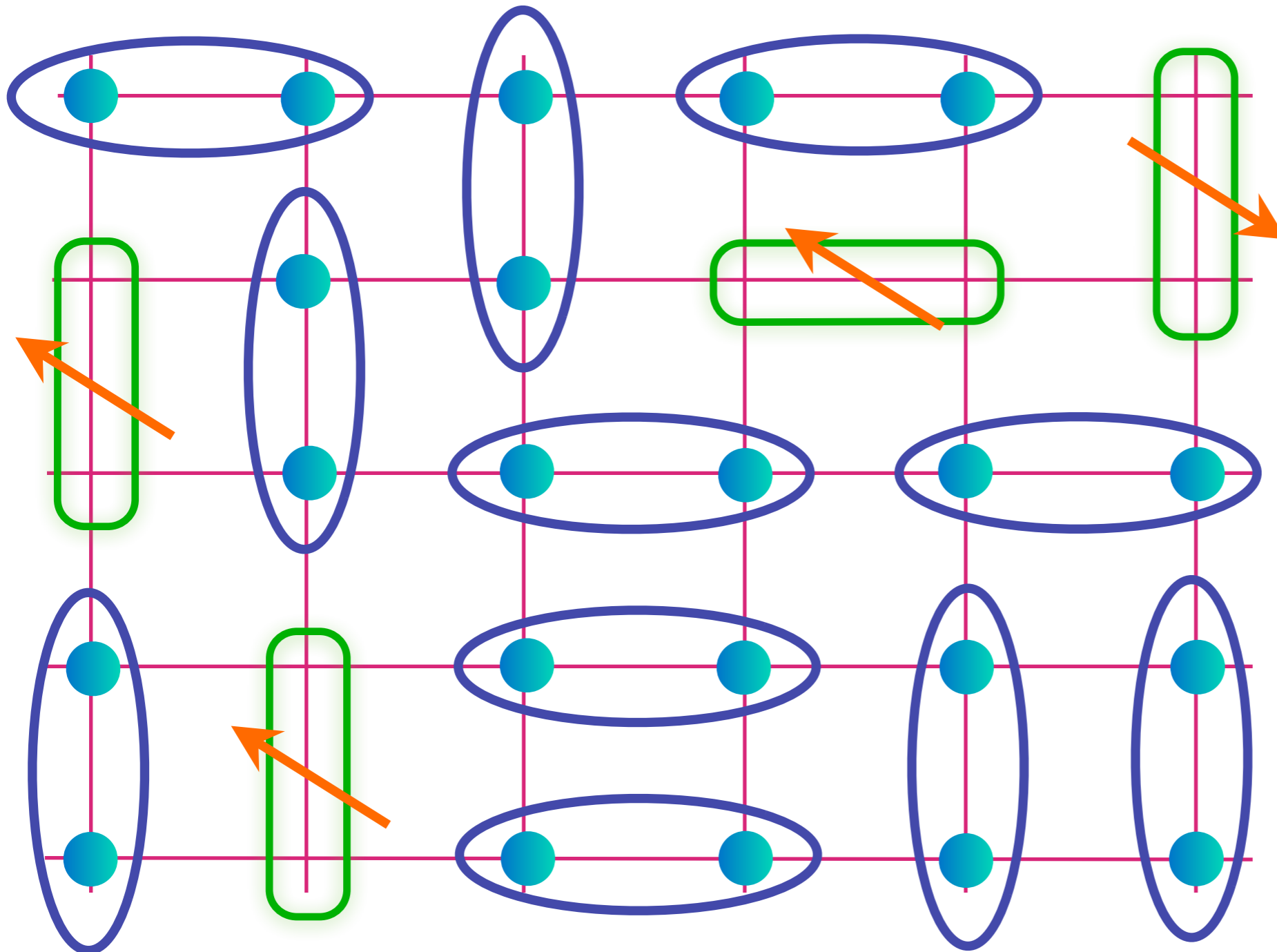

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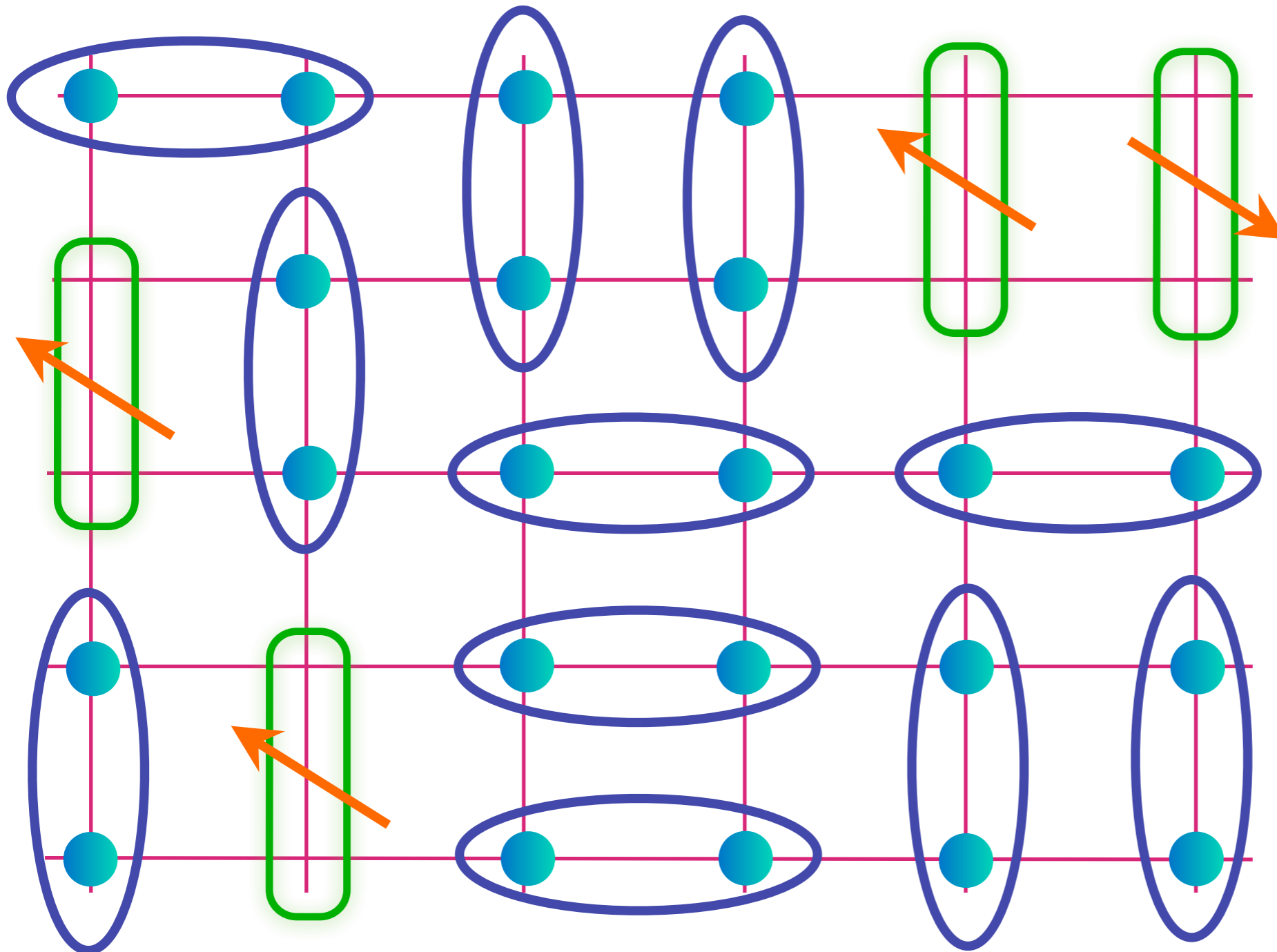

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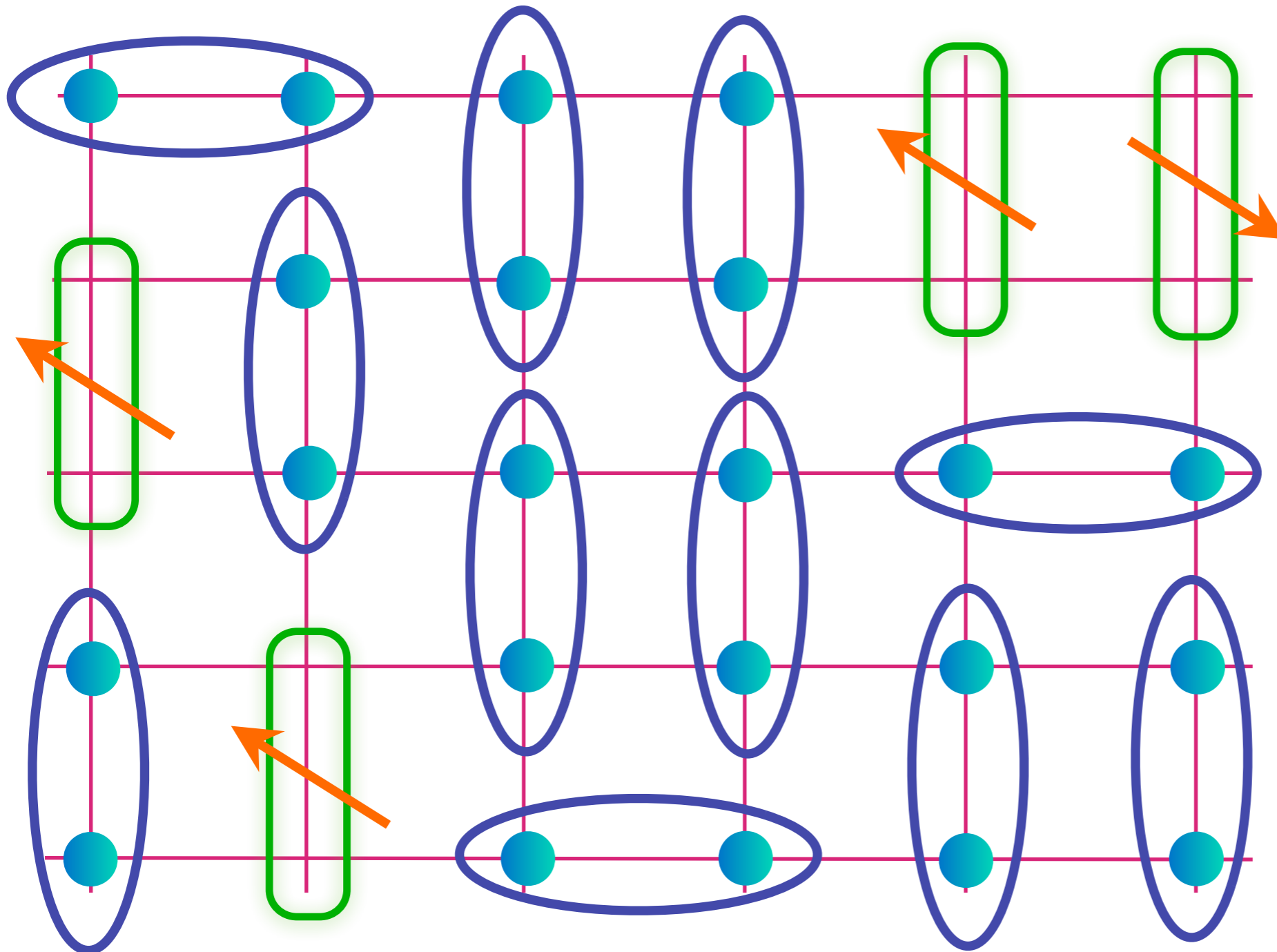

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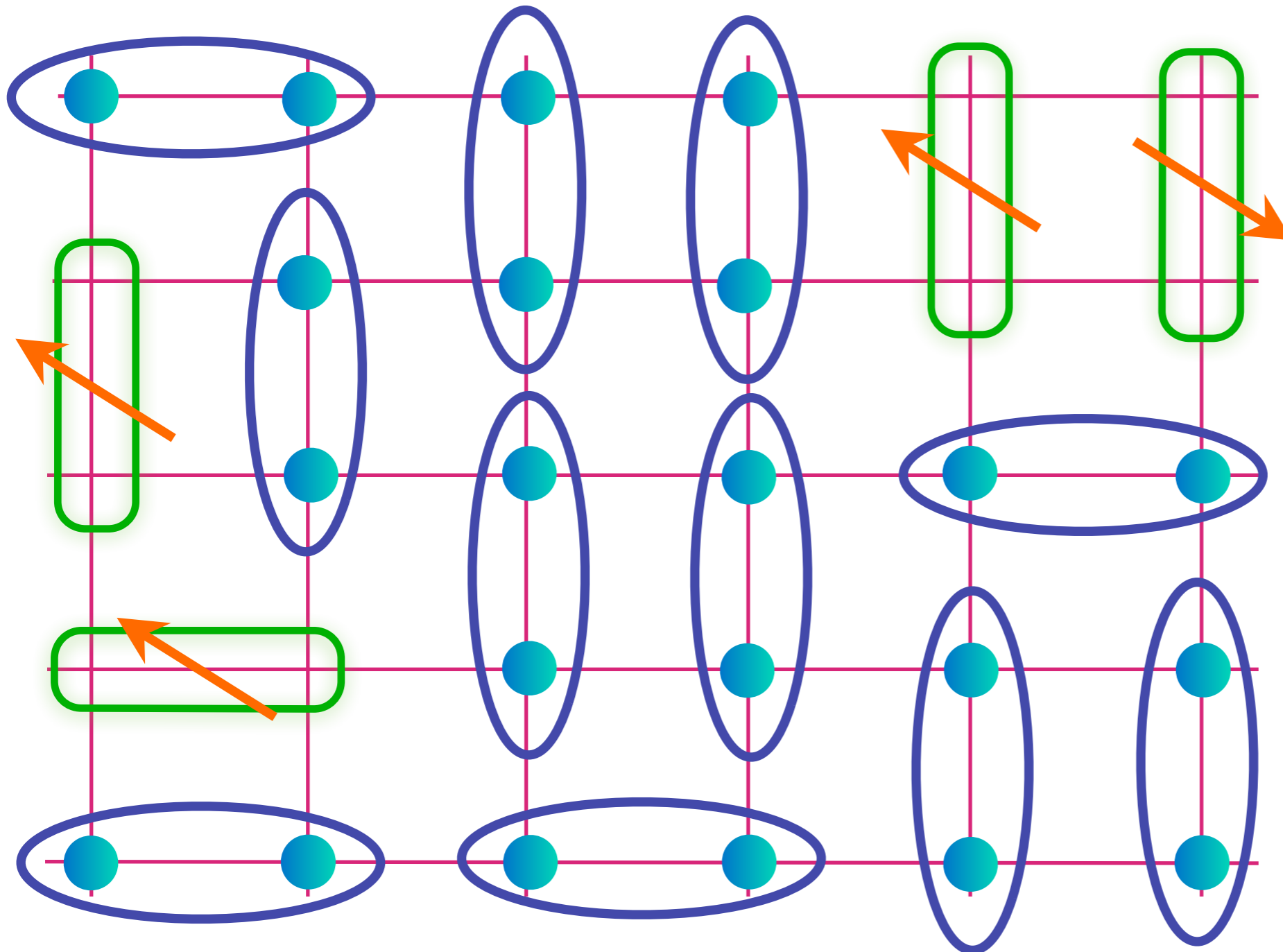

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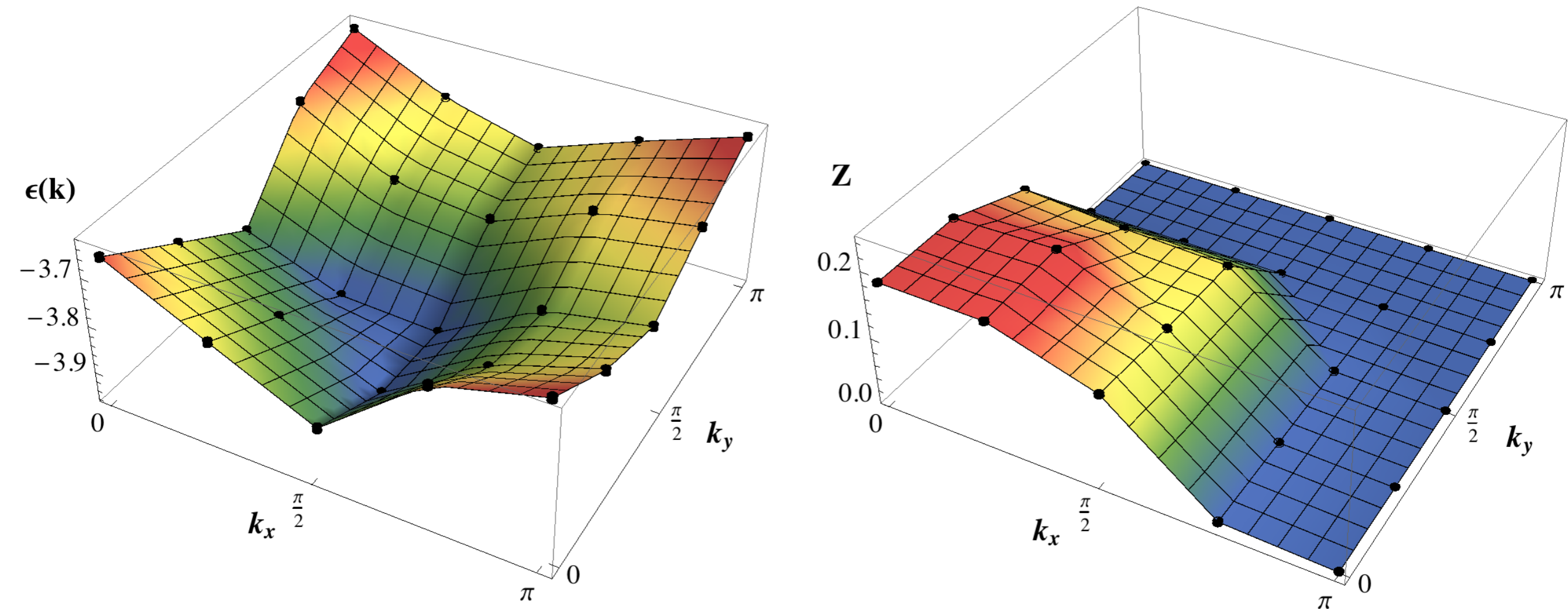
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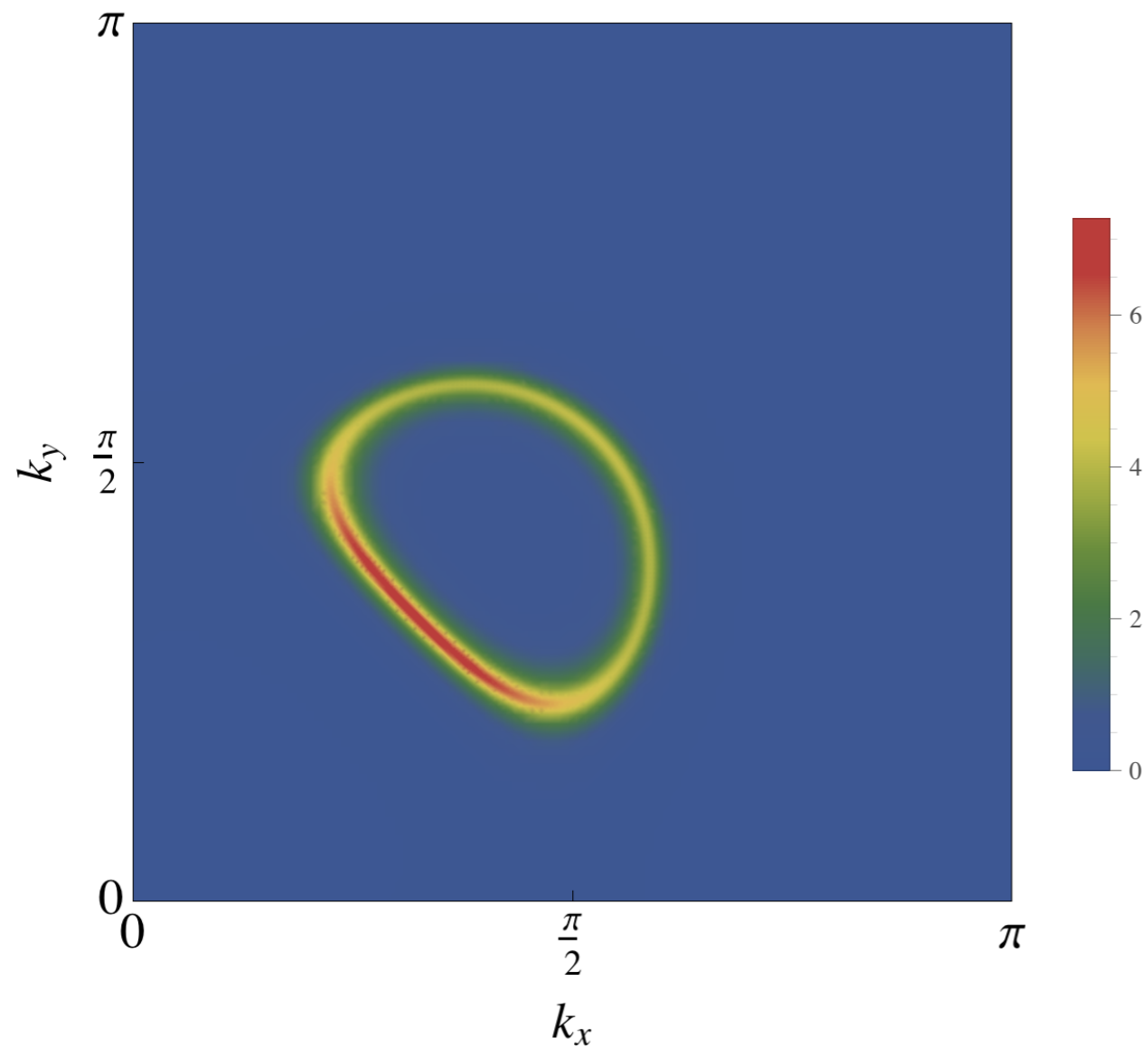


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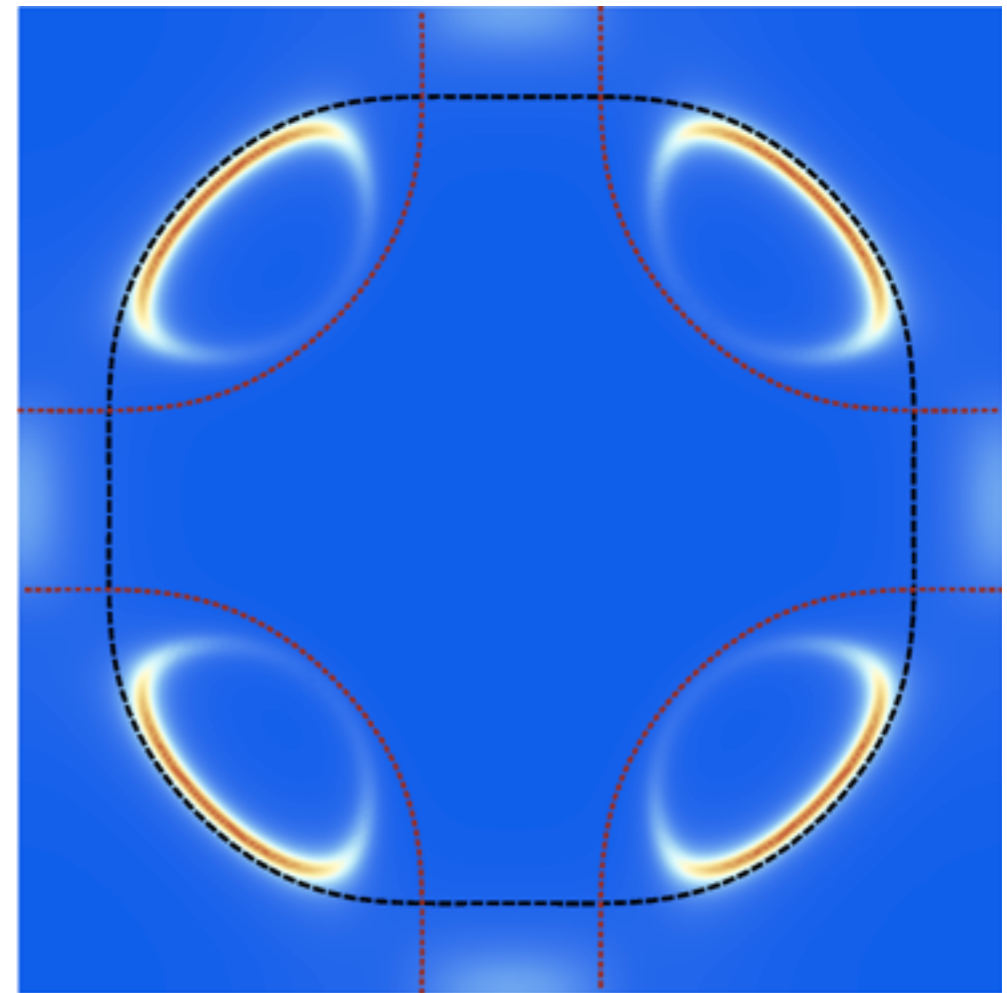
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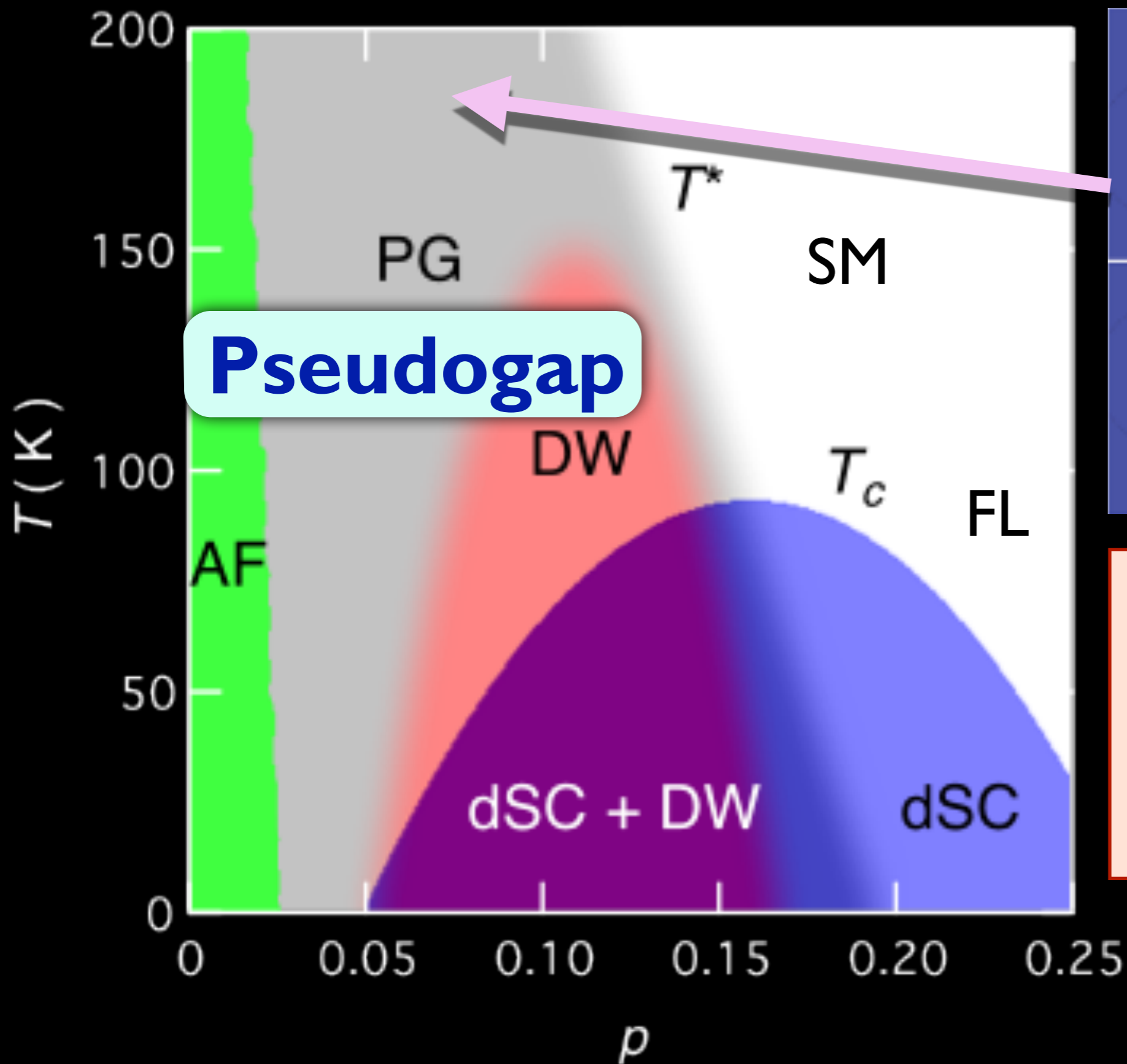
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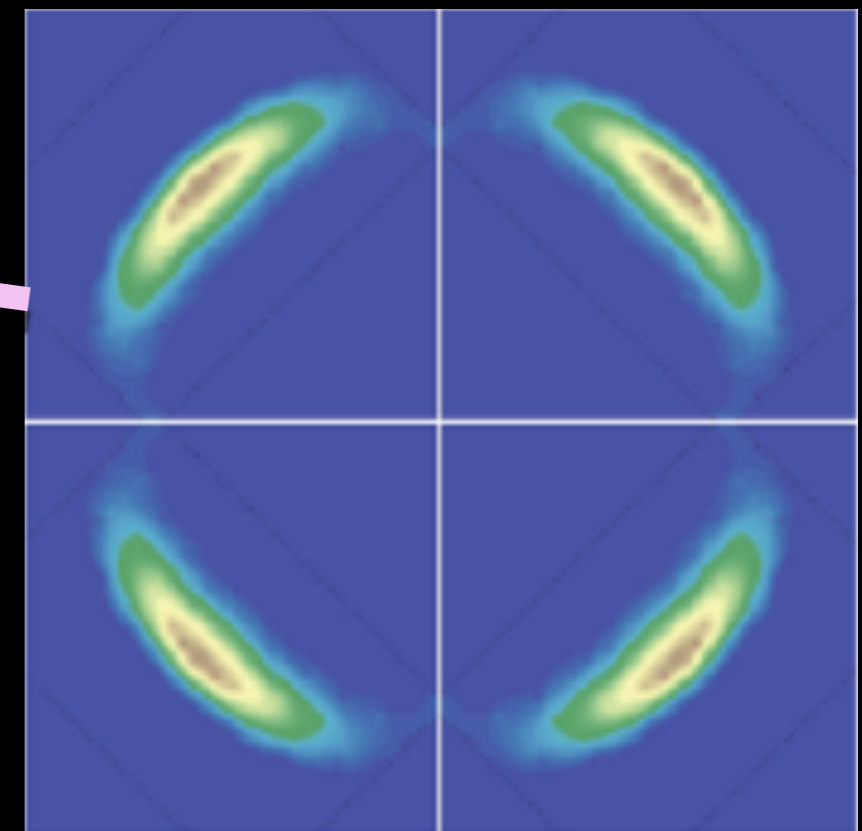
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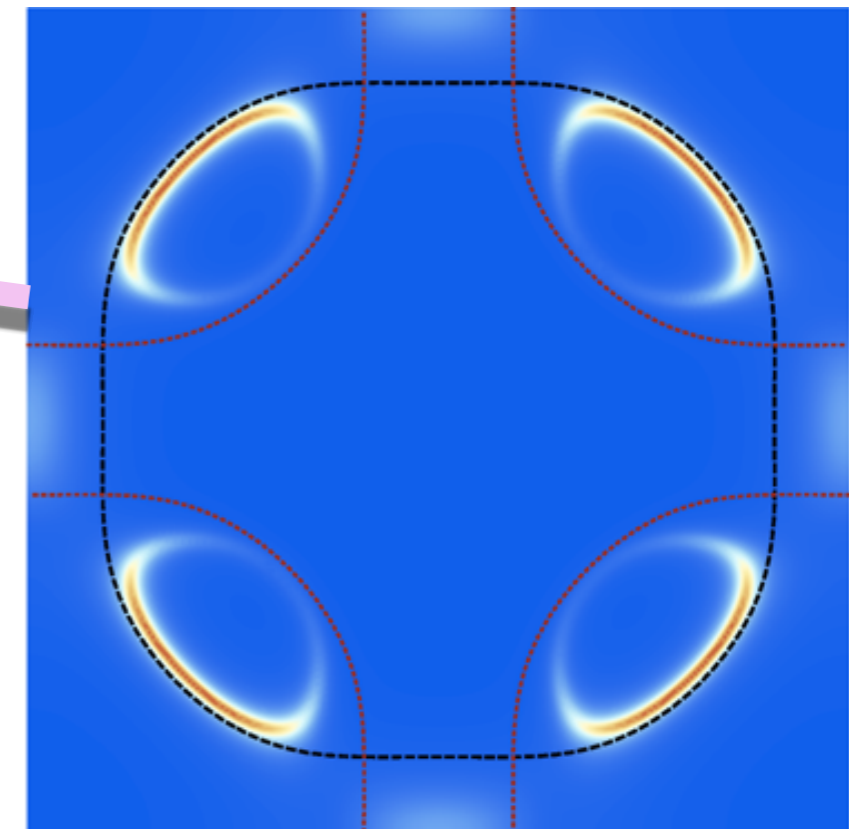
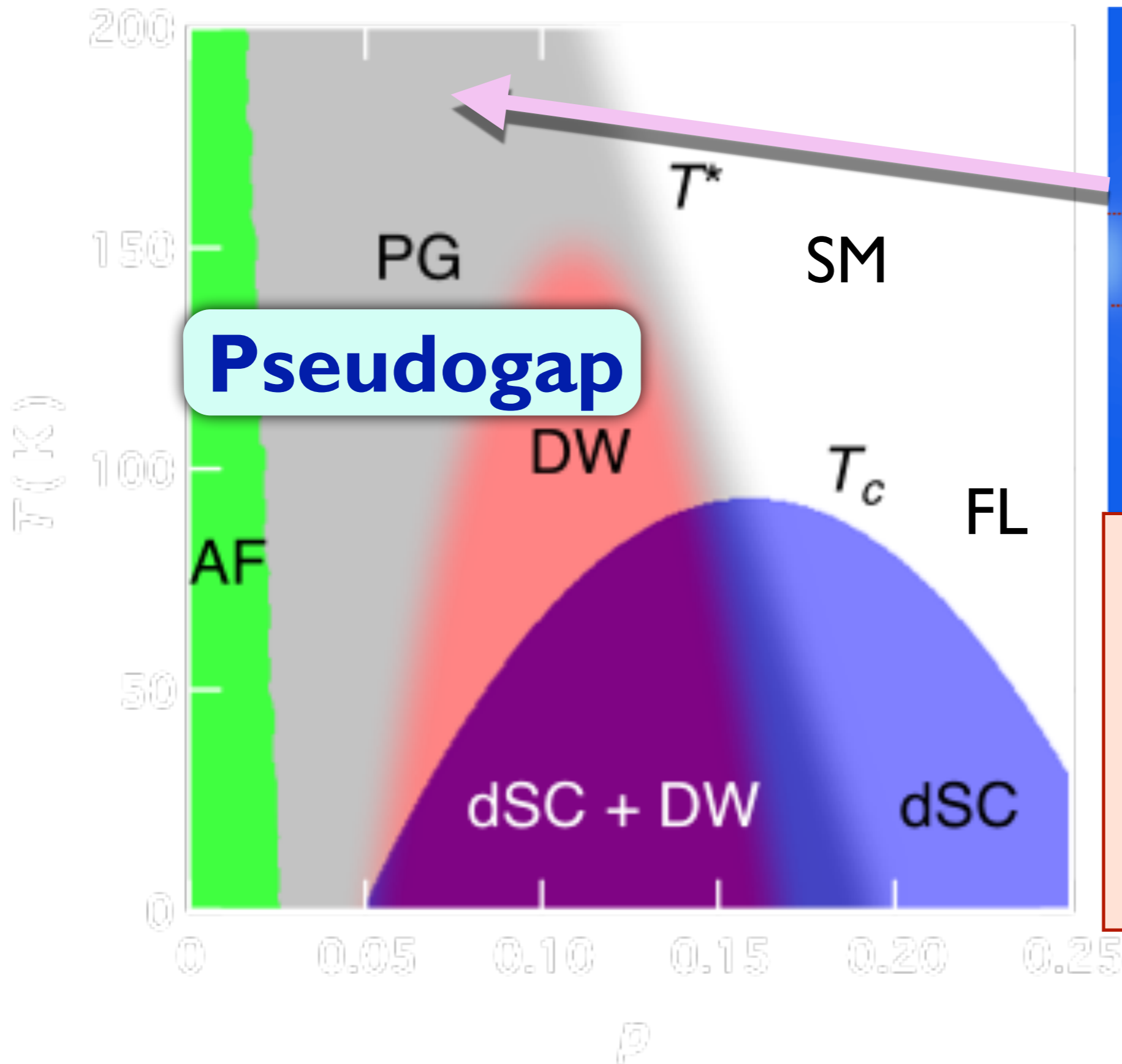
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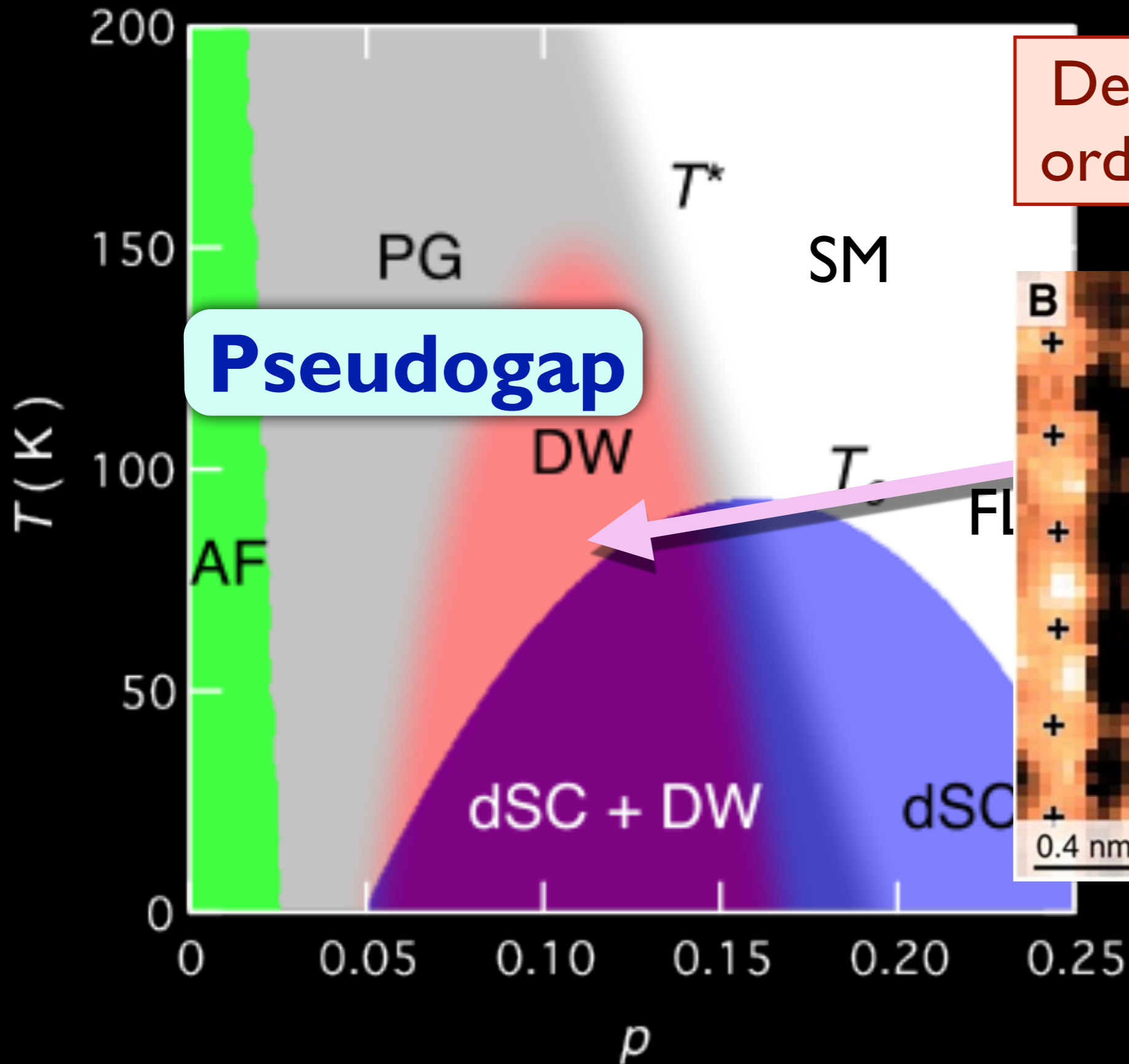
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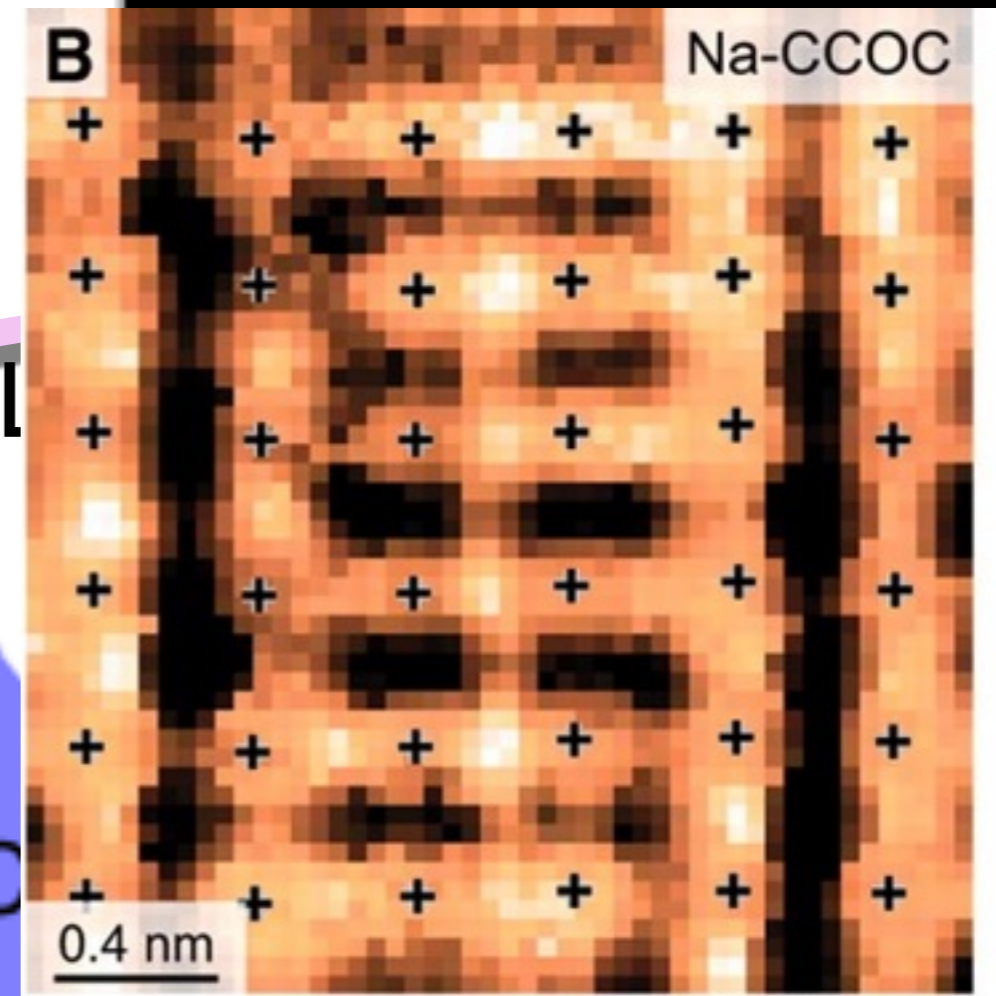
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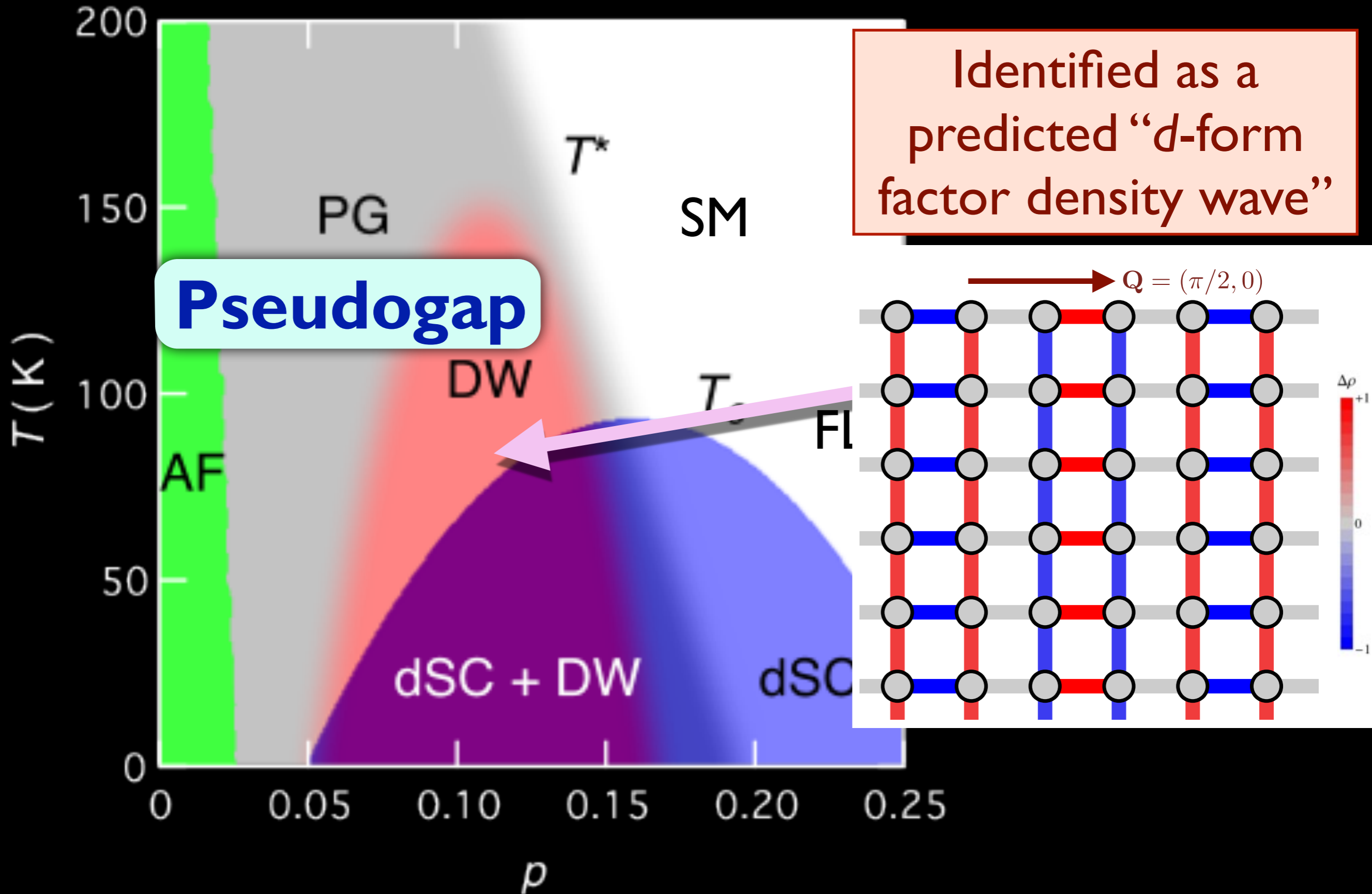


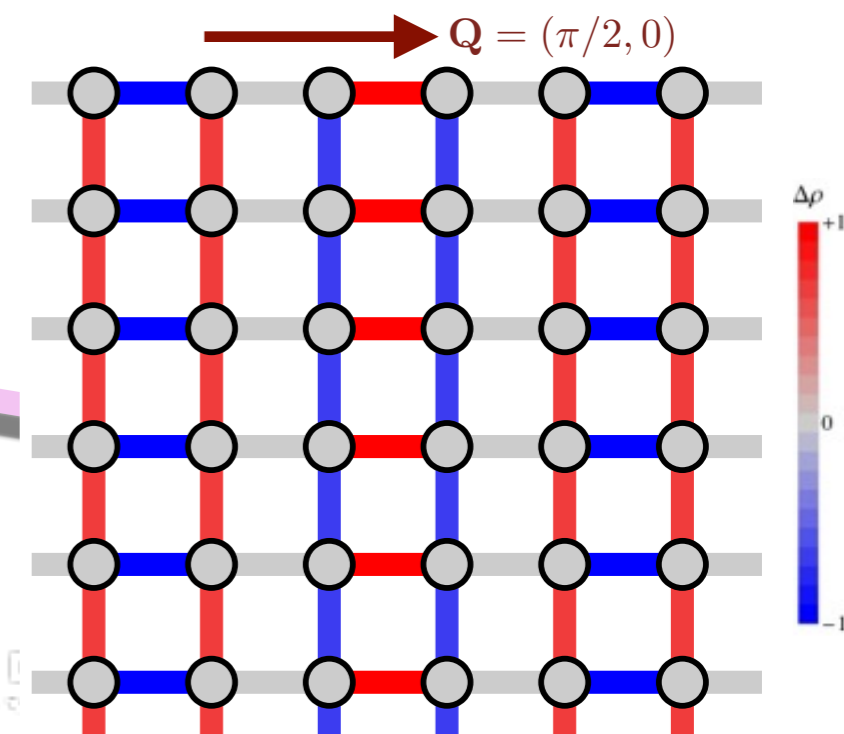
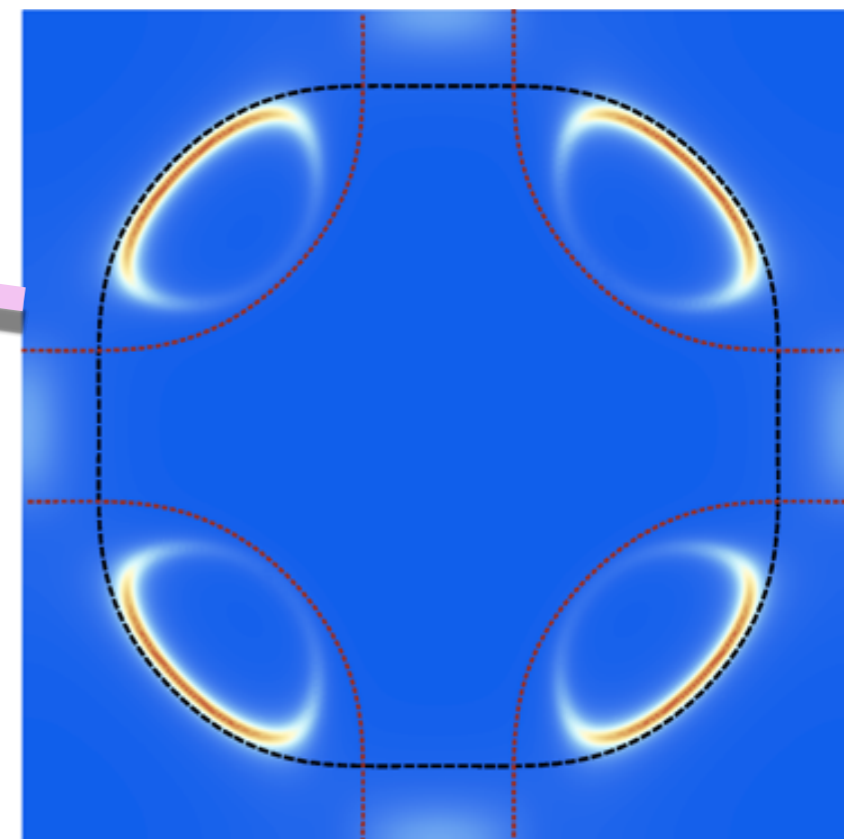
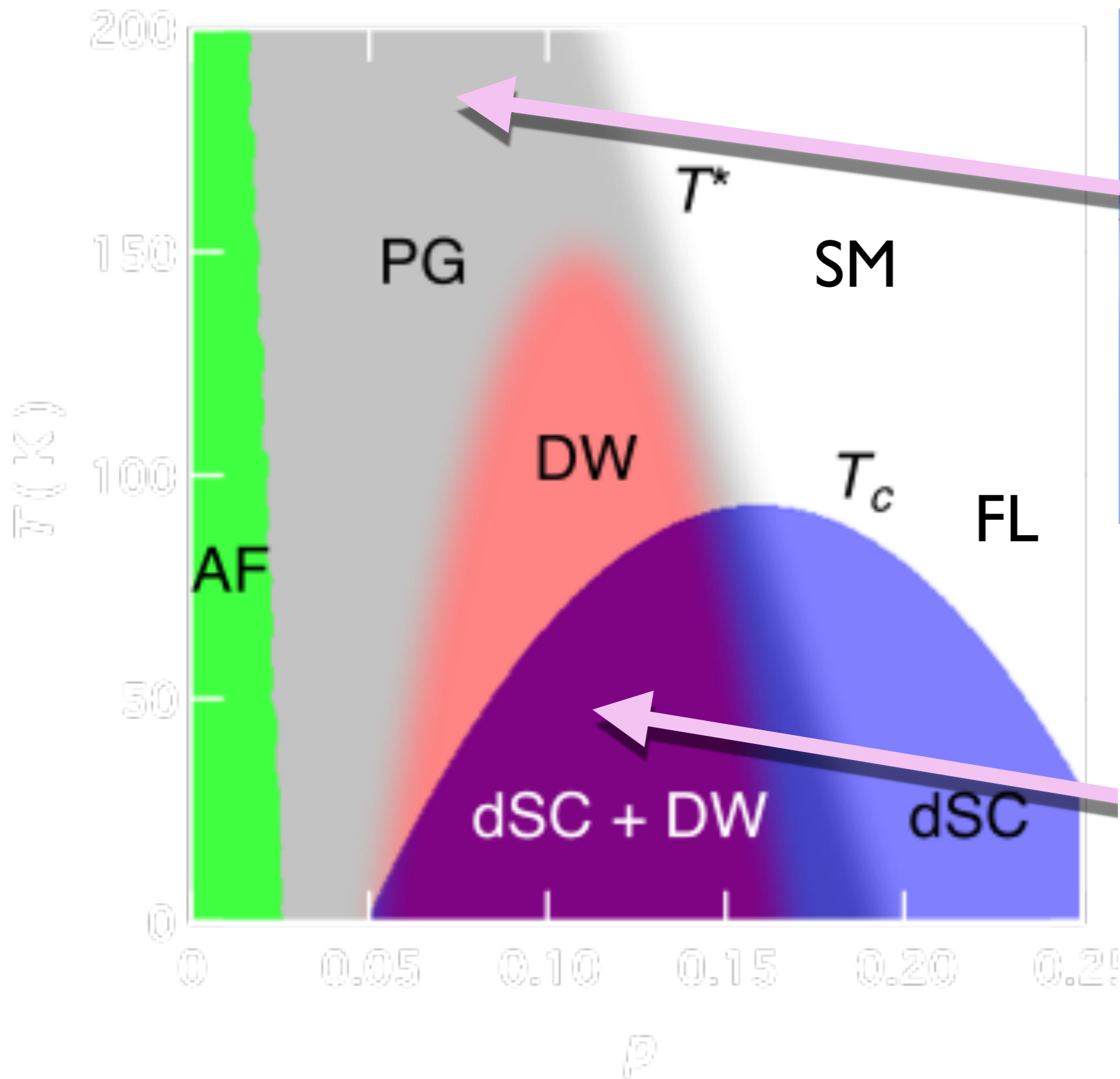
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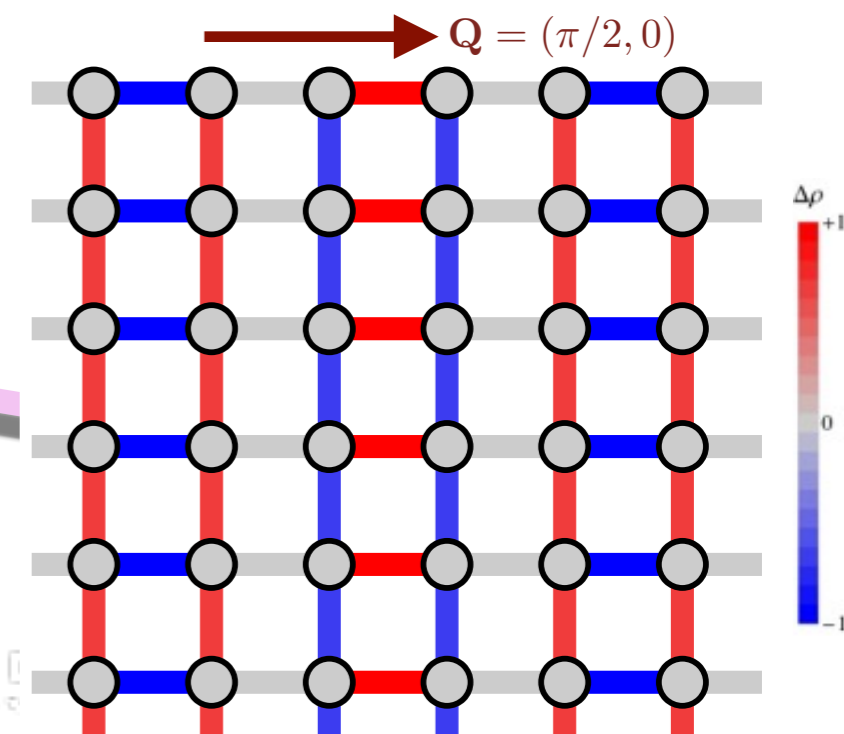
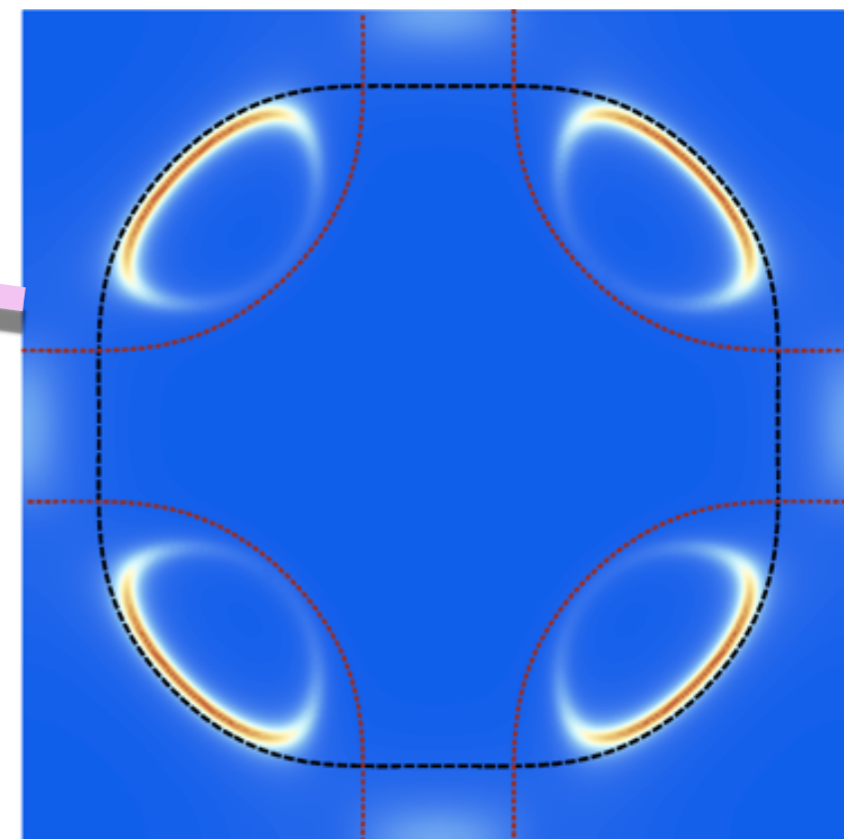
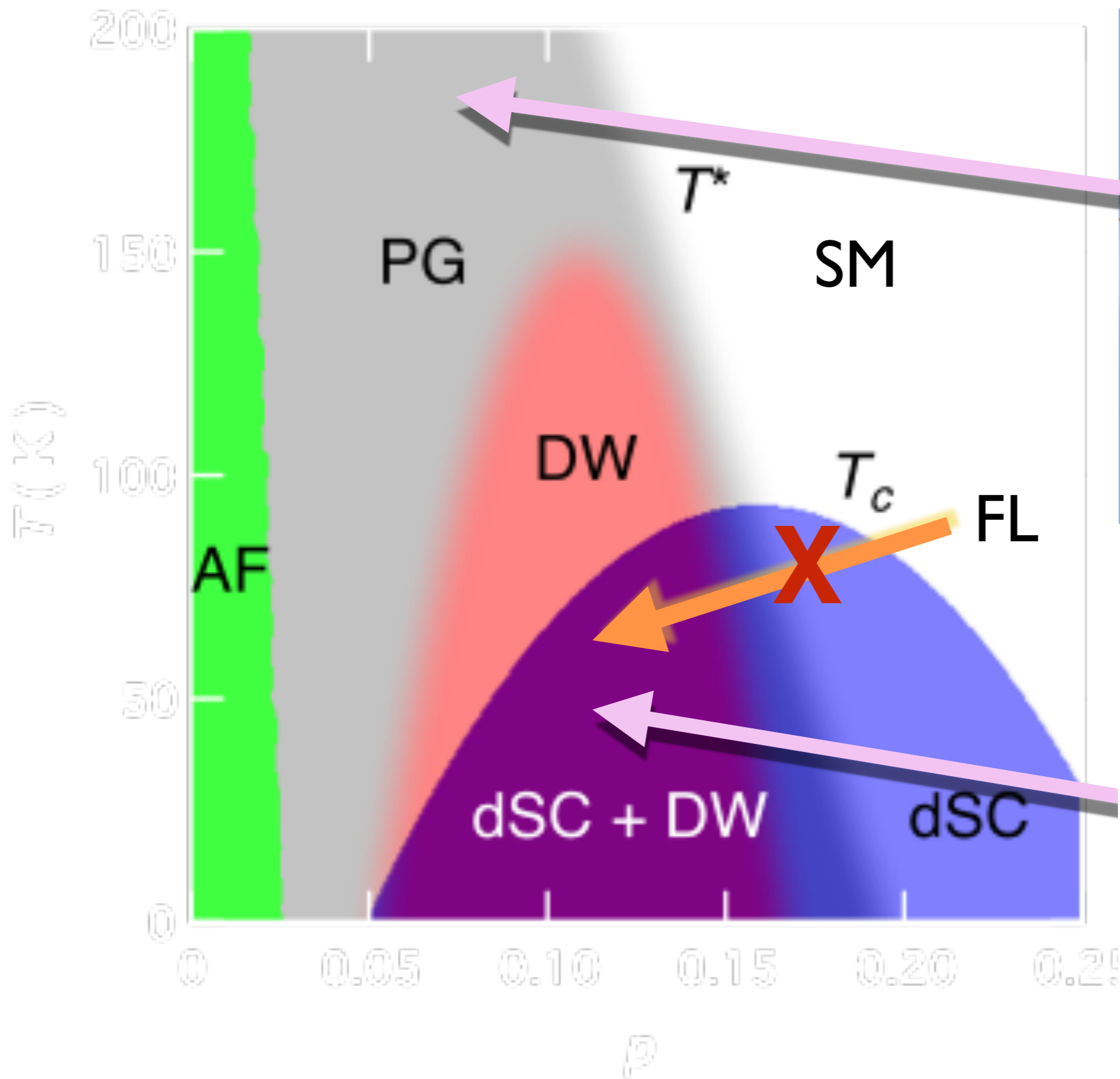


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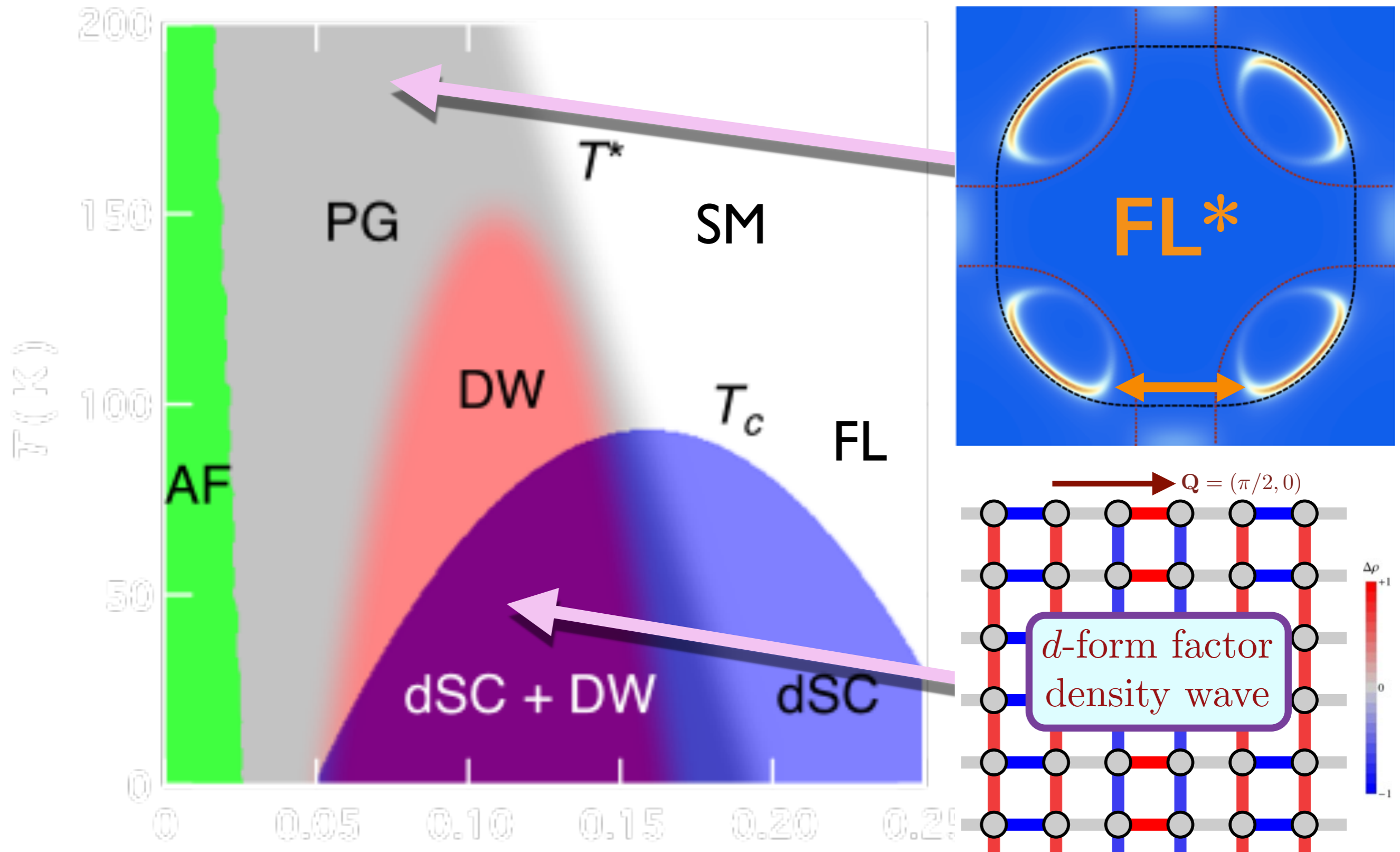
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