

Quantum spin liquids and the phase diagram of the cuprates

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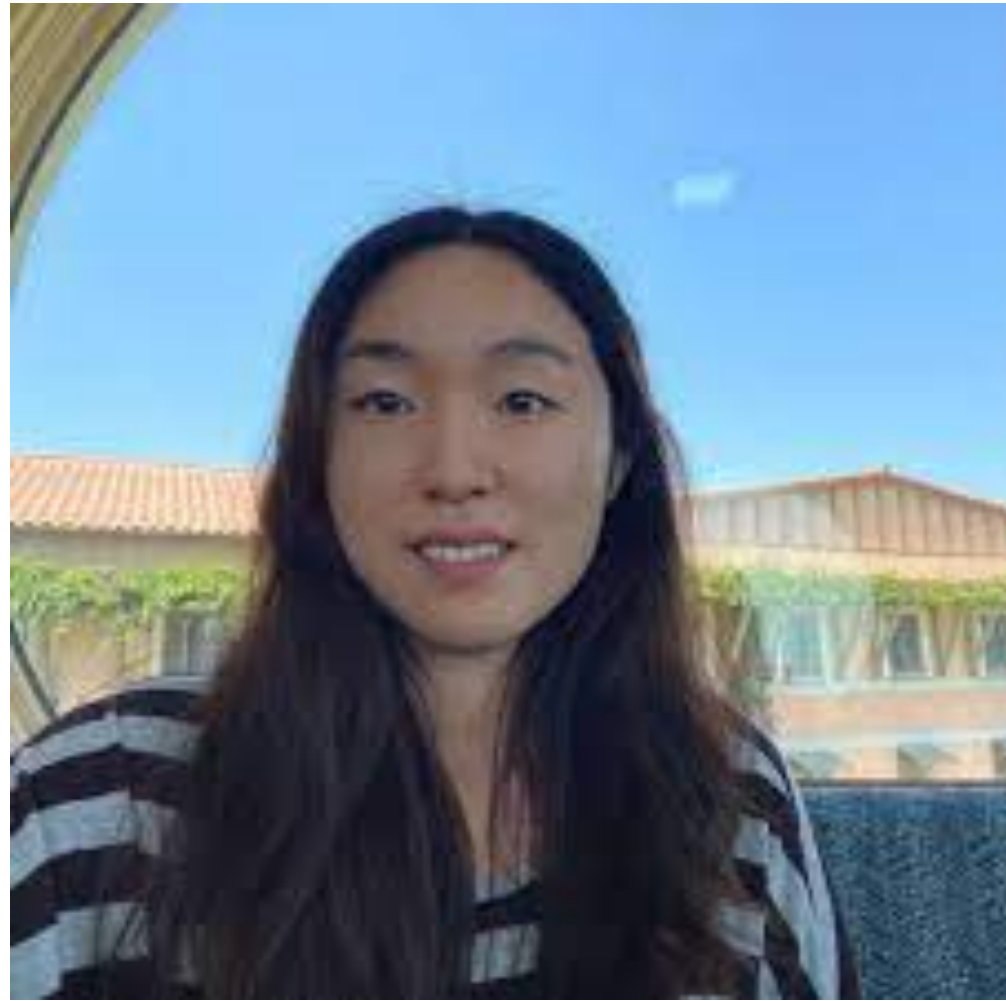


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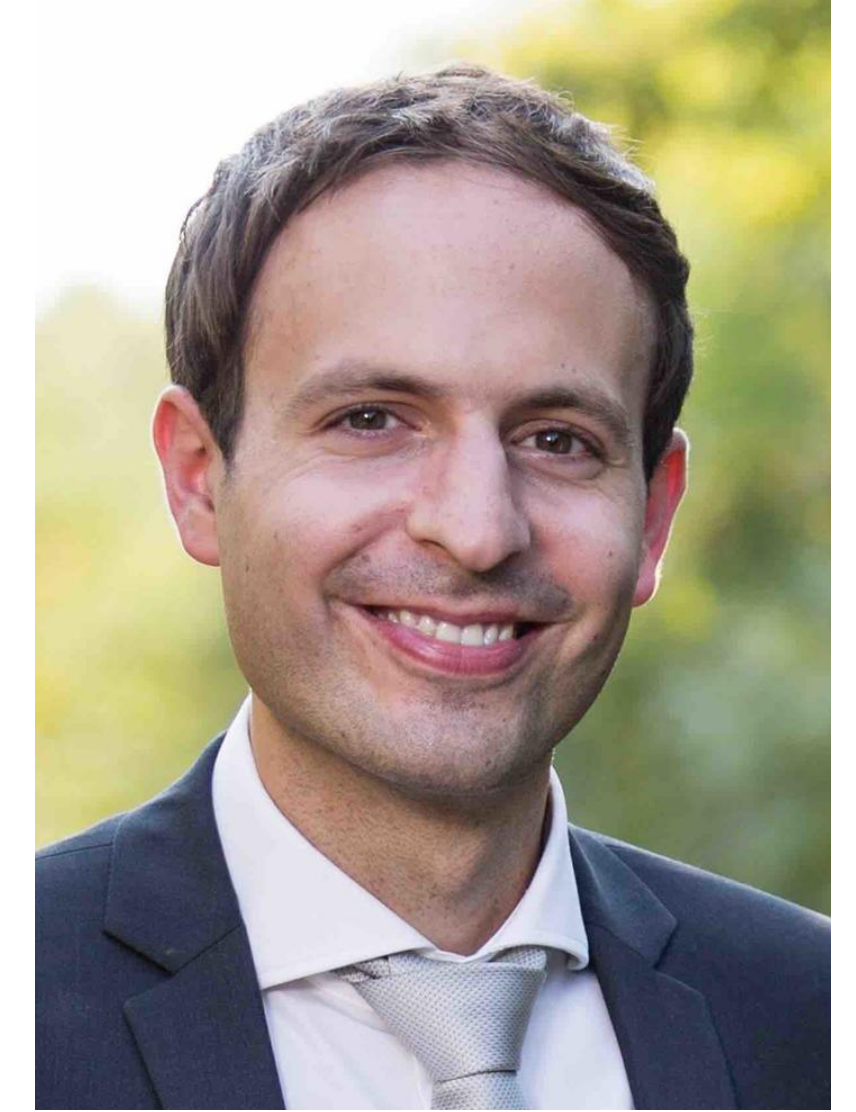
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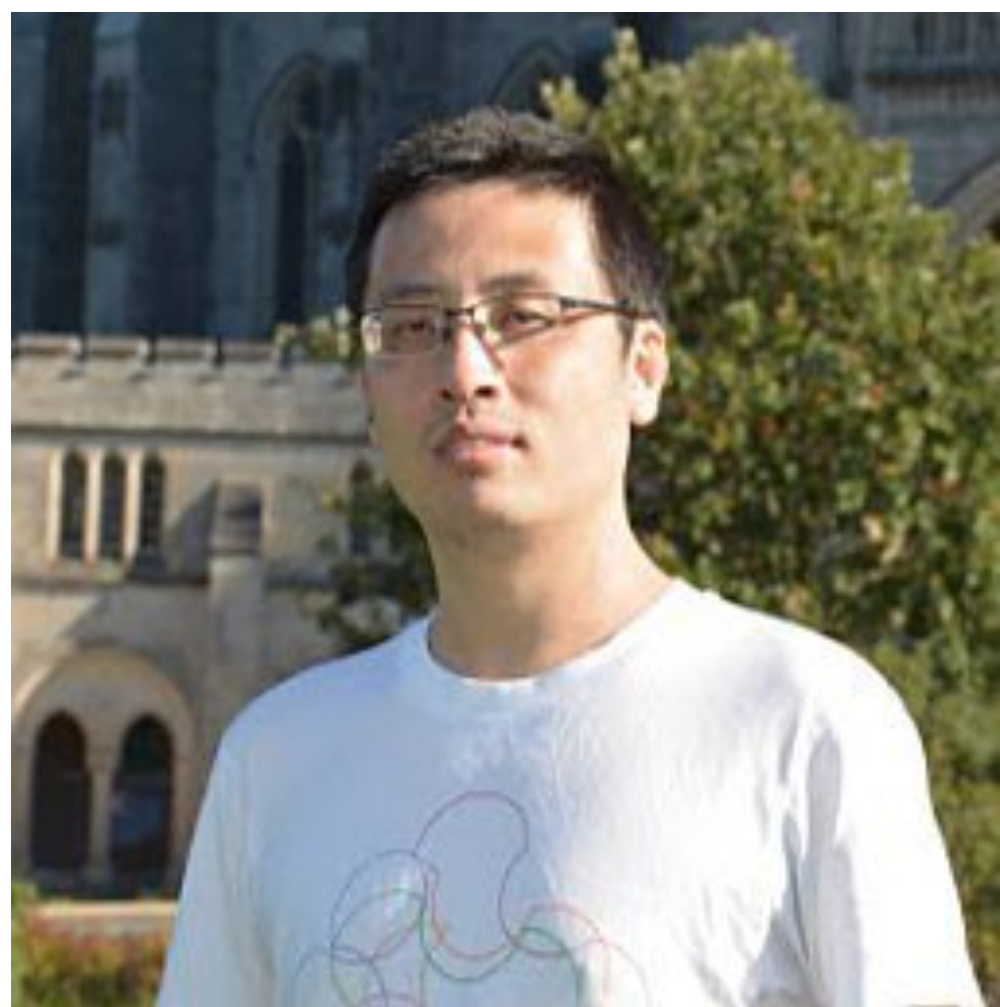
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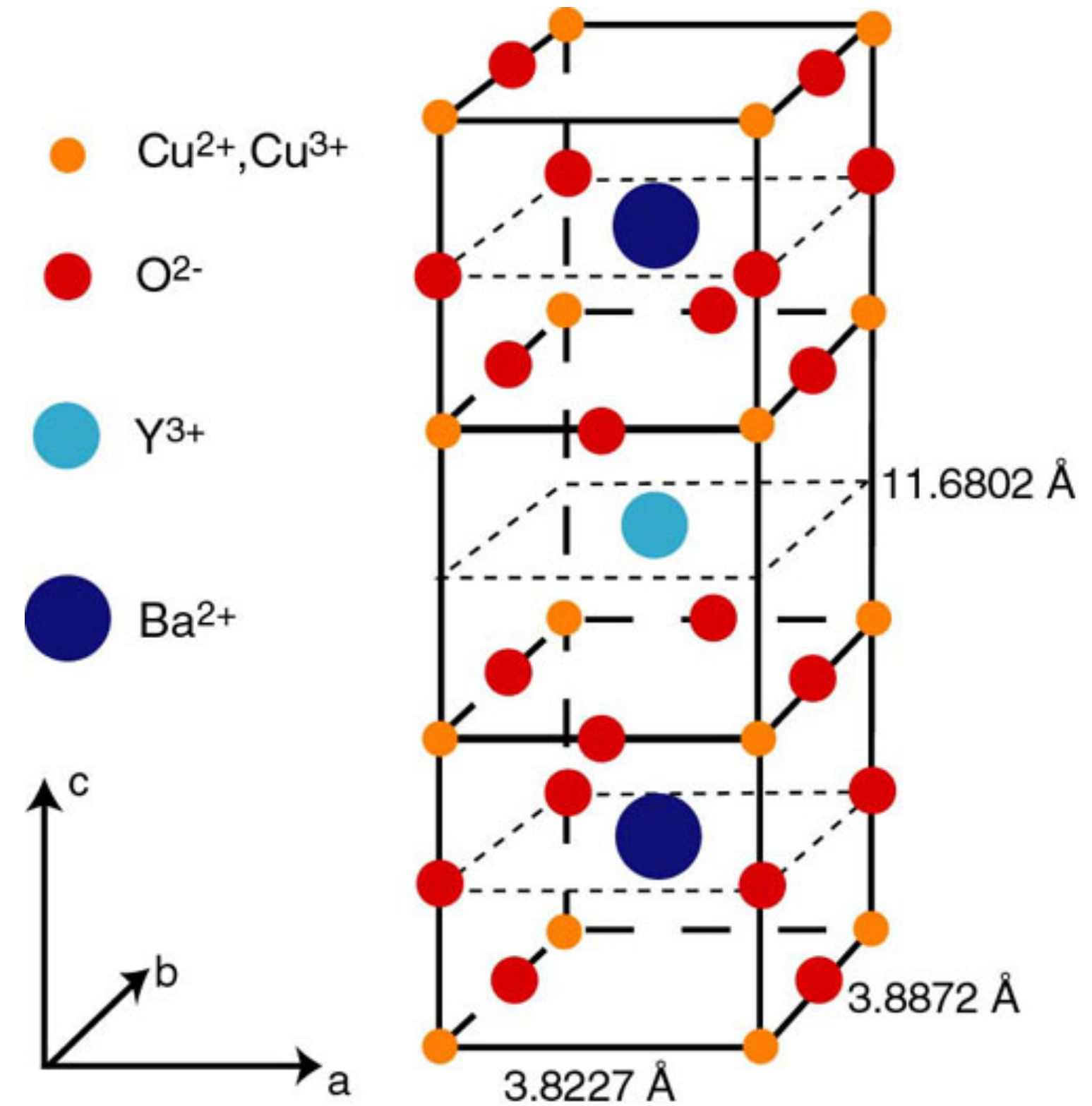
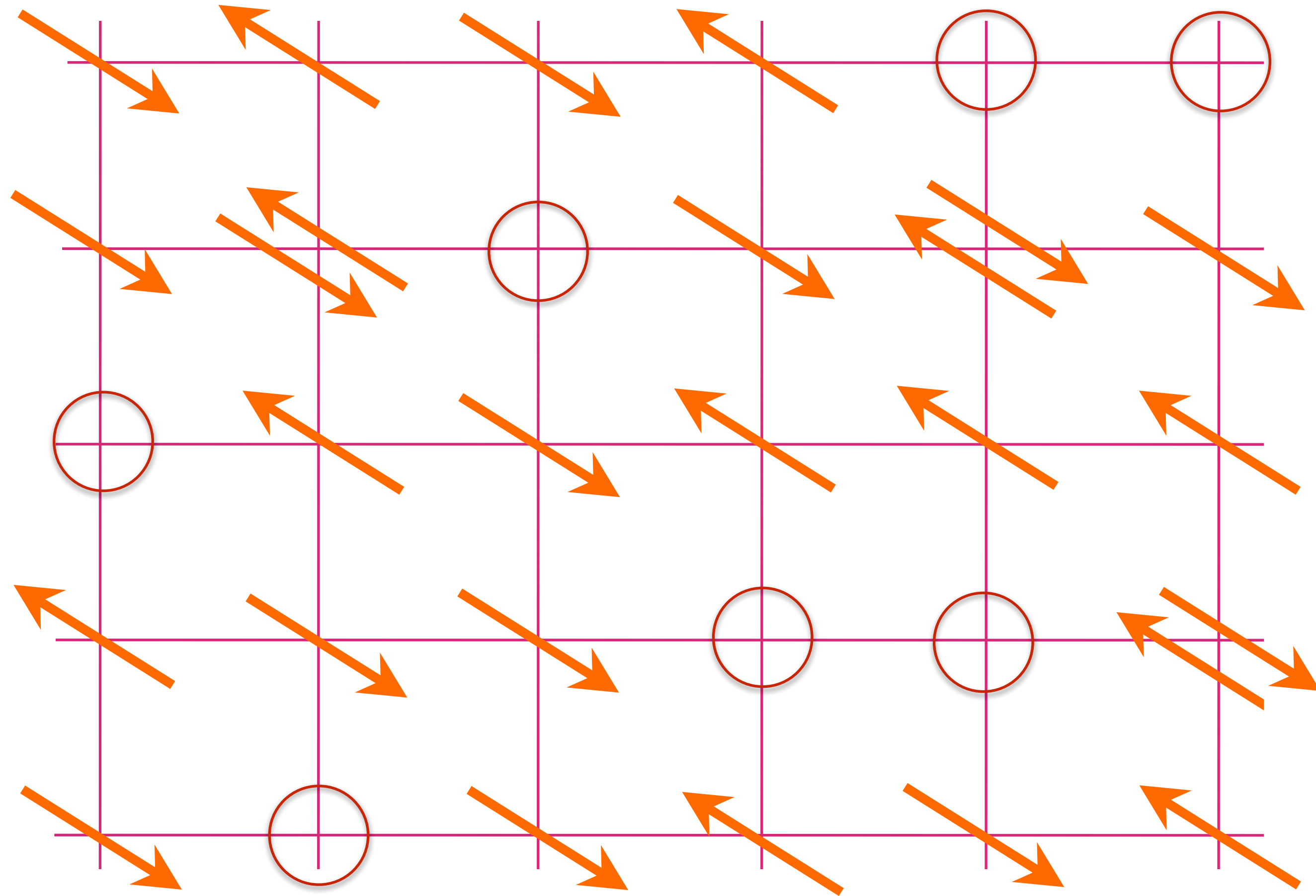
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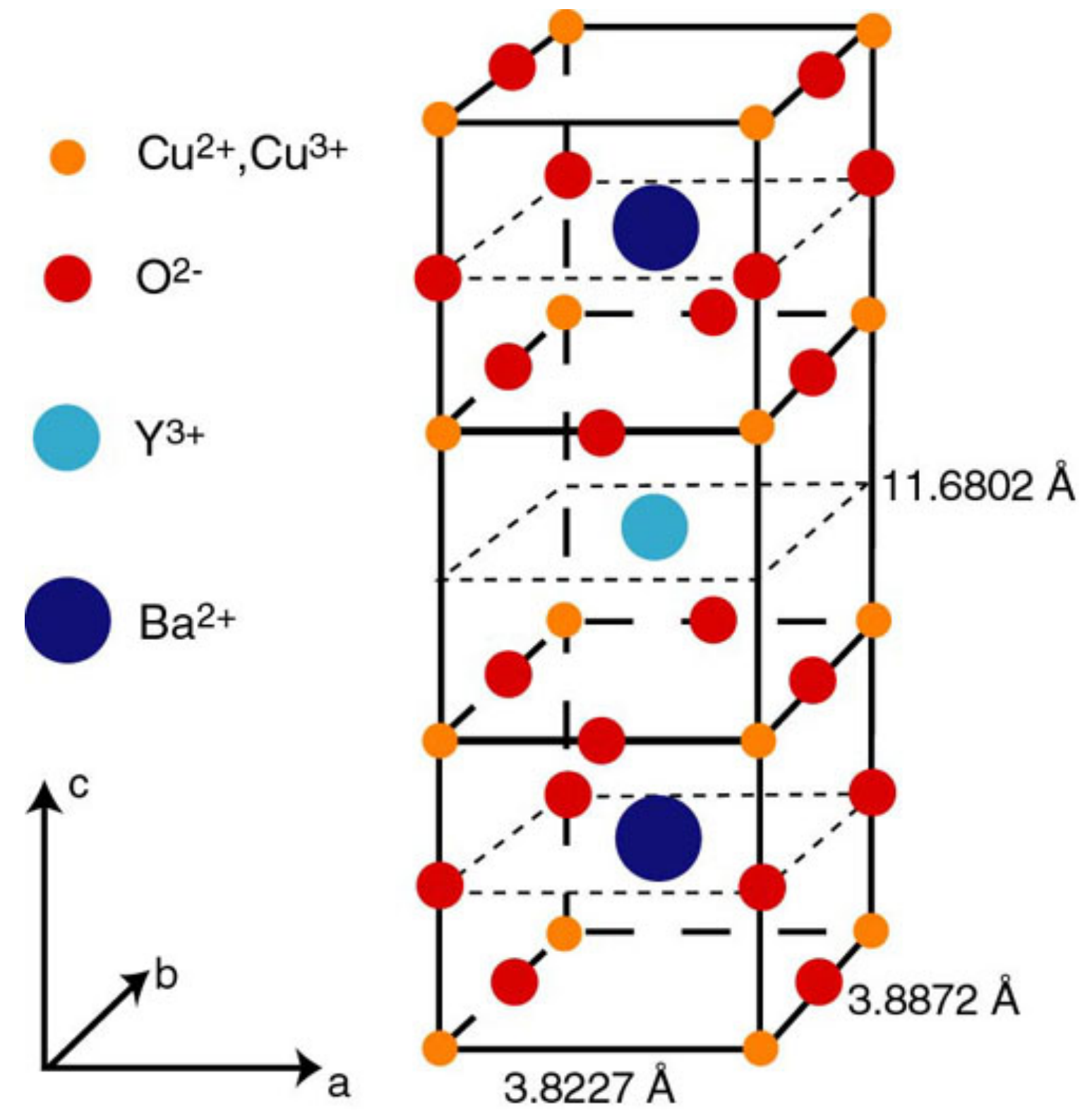
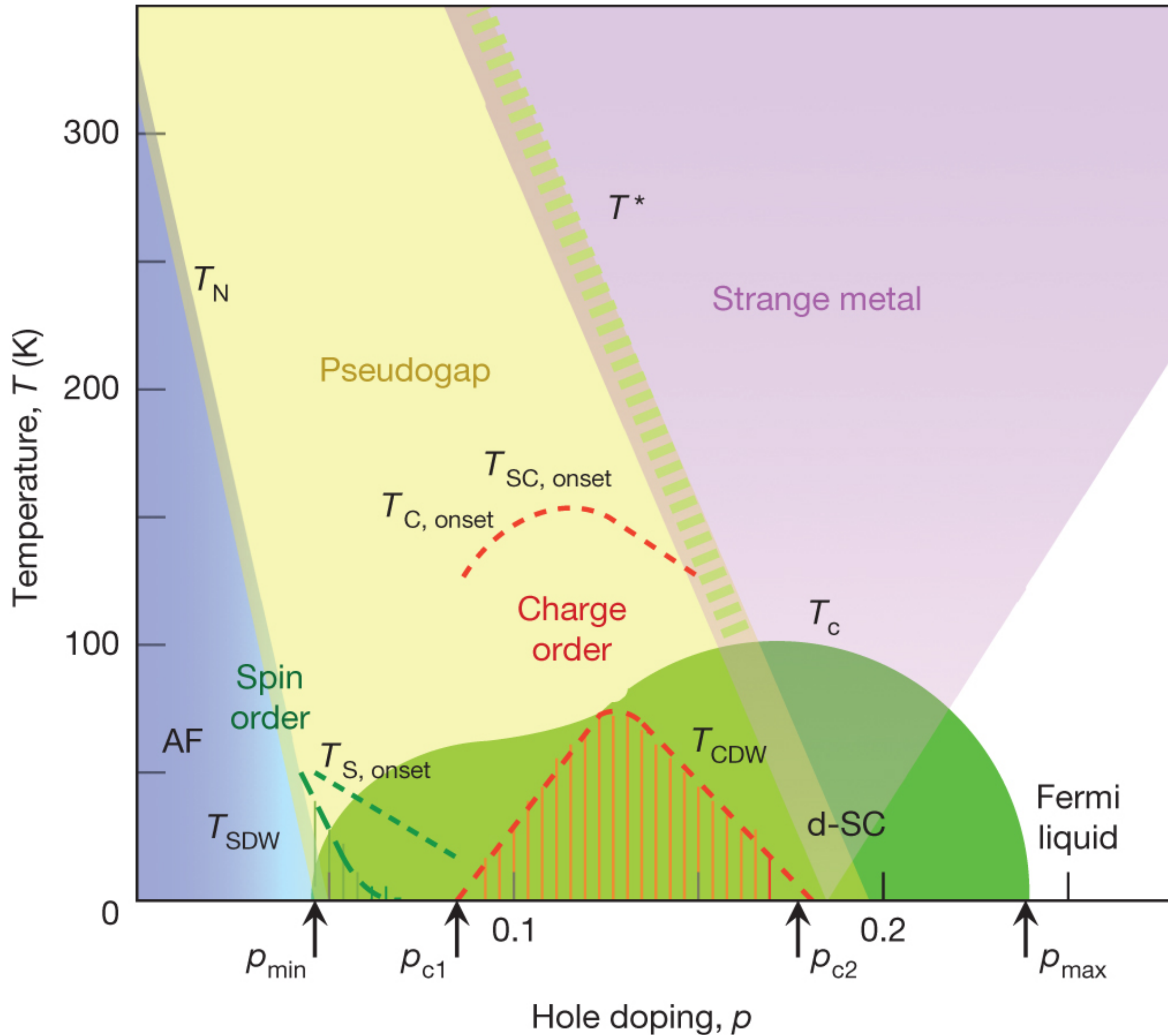
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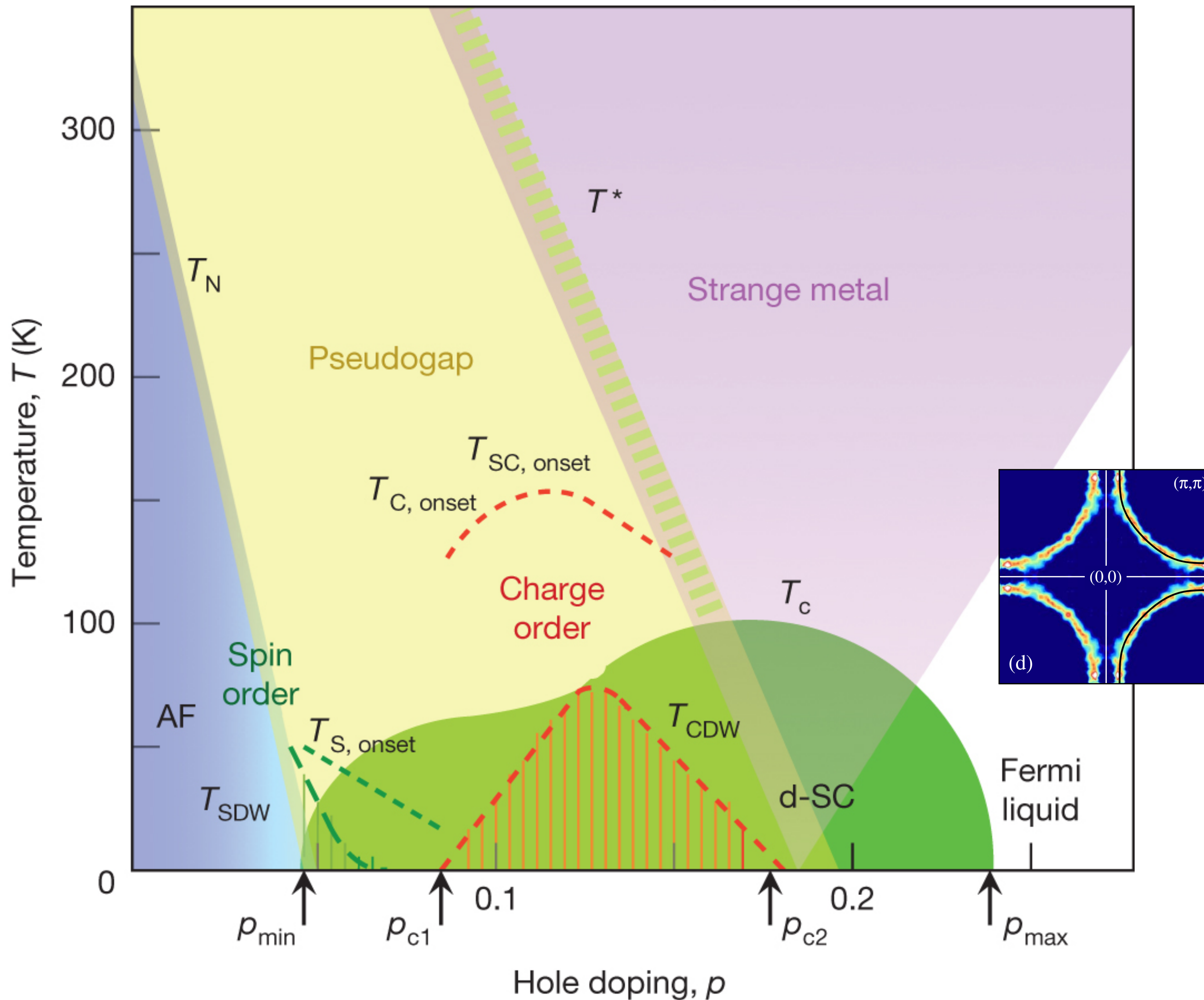
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Square lattice Hubbard model with electron density $1 - p$.

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{Hubbard}} = \sum_{\mathbf{p}} \varepsilon_{\mathbf{p}} c_{\mathbf{p}\alpha}^\dagger c_{\mathbf{p}\alpha} + U \sum_i n_{i\uparrow} n_{i\downarrow} + \dots$$

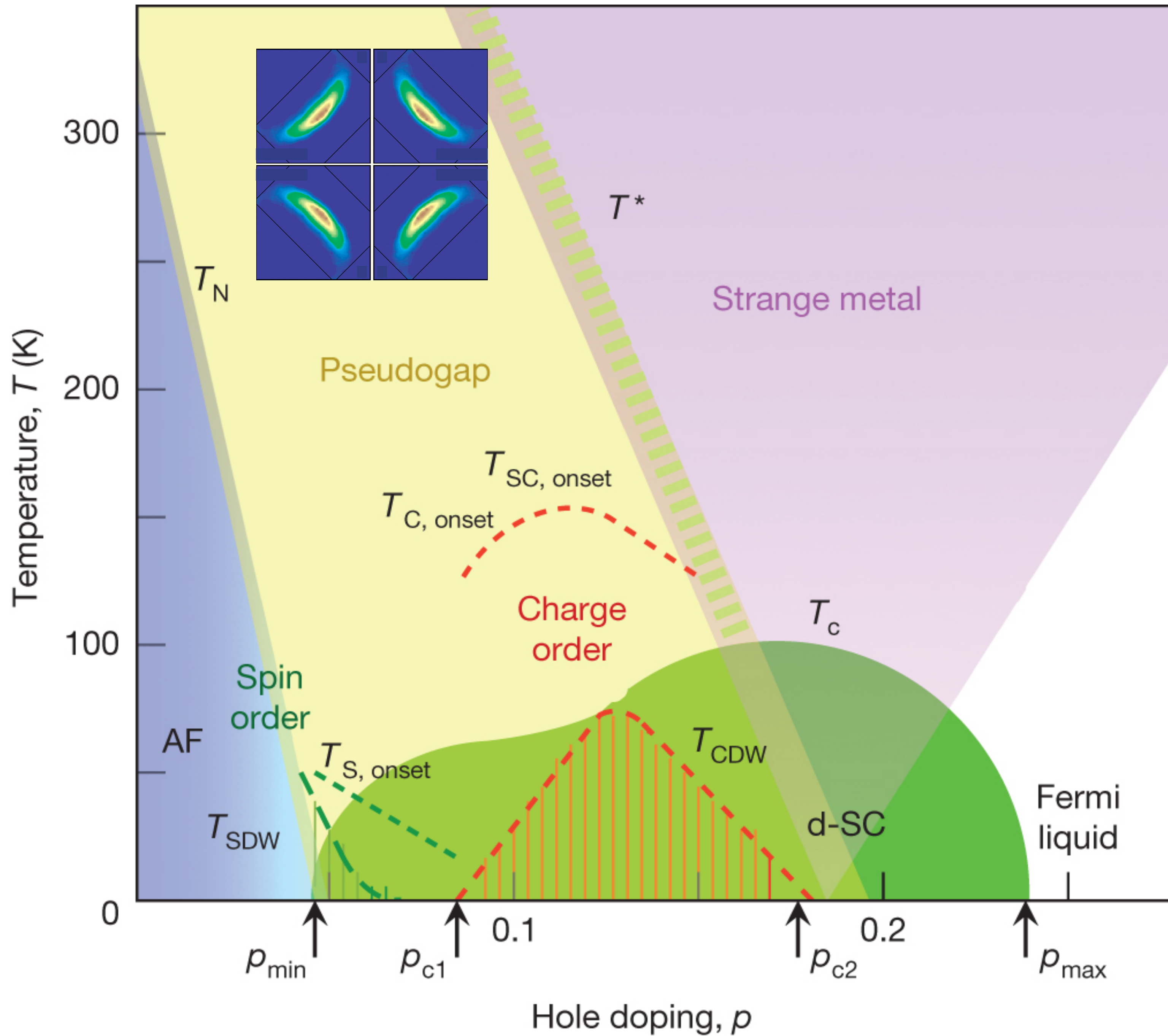




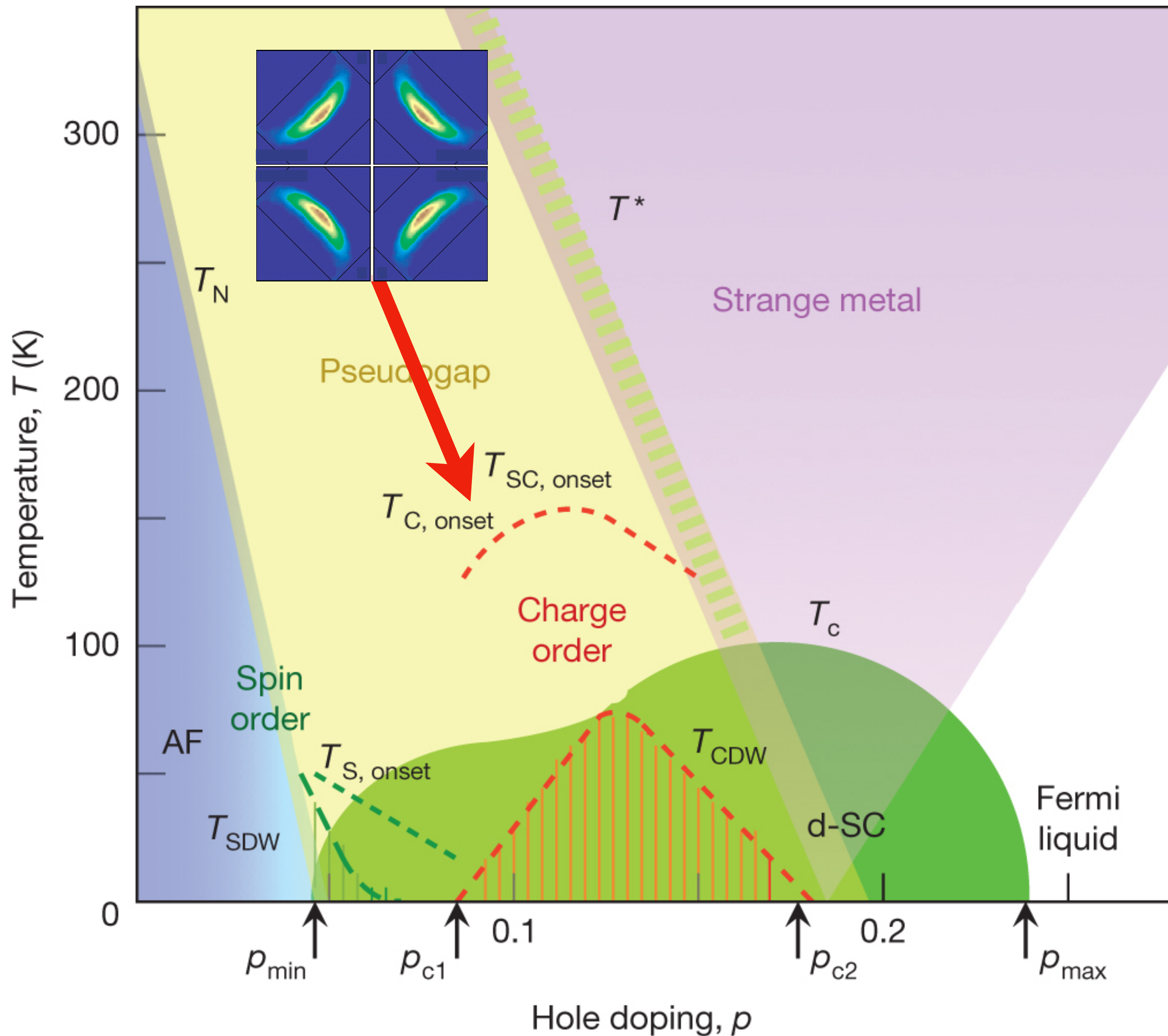


Fermi liquid
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overdoped metal

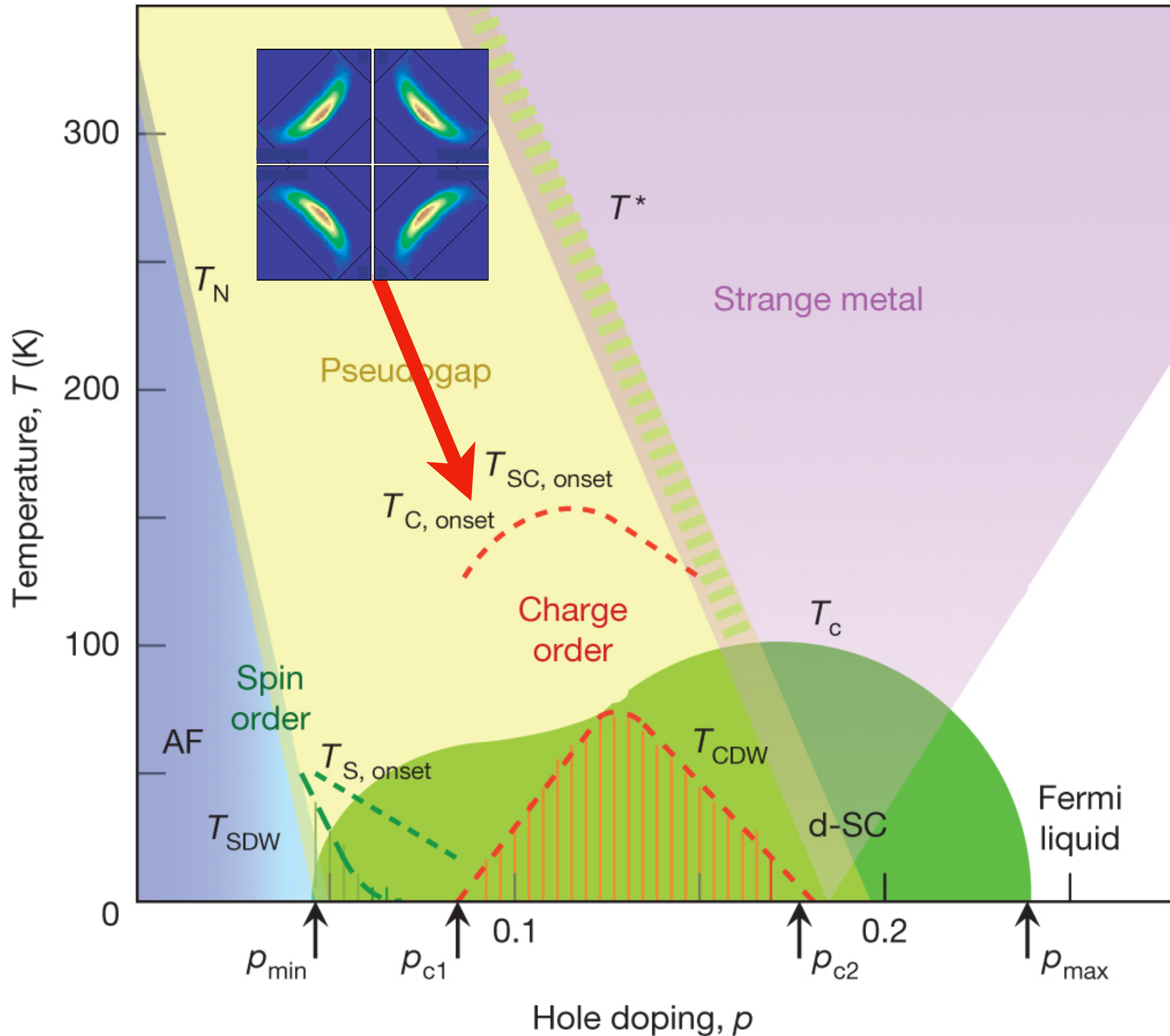
Volume enclosed
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Theory for
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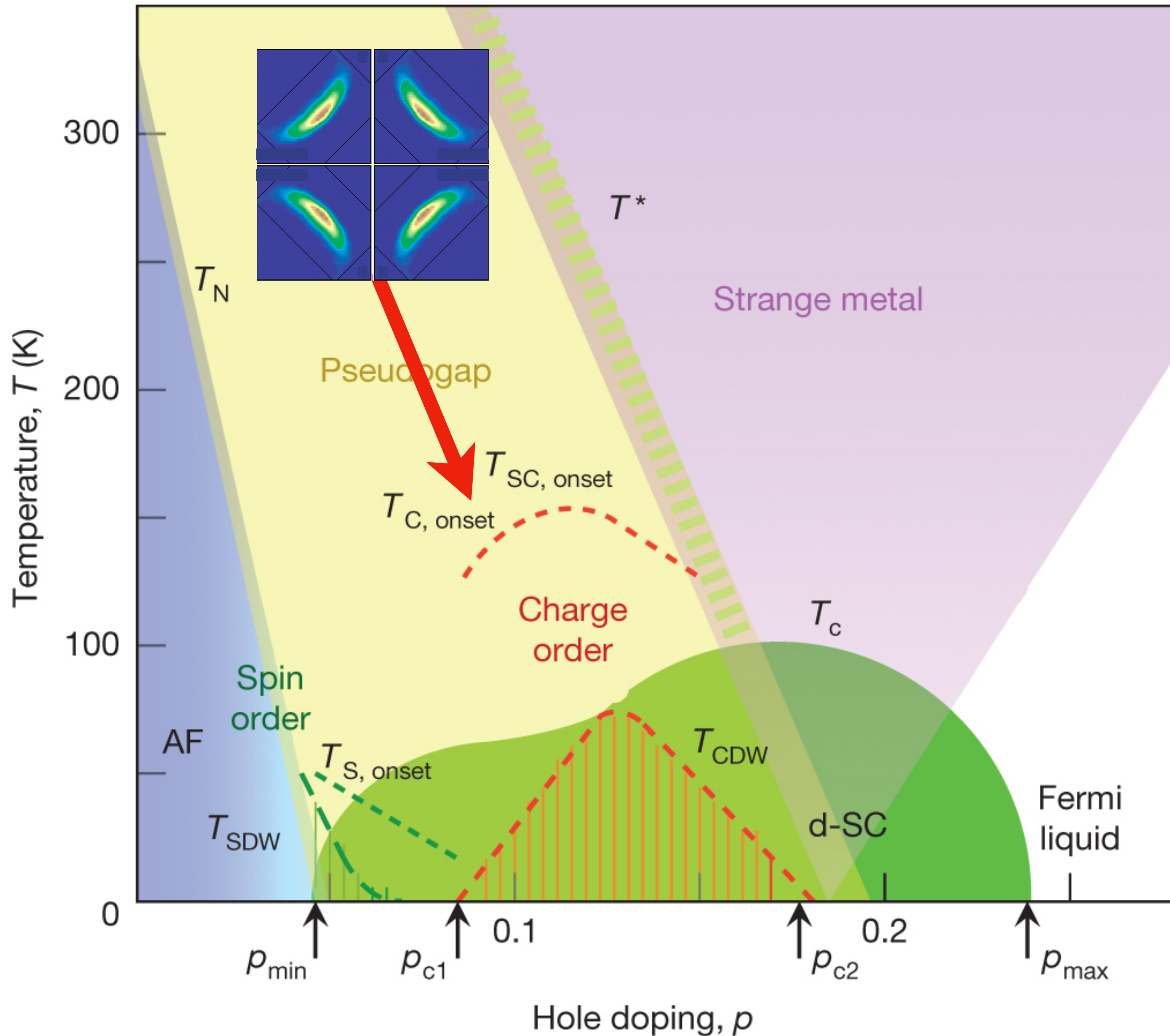


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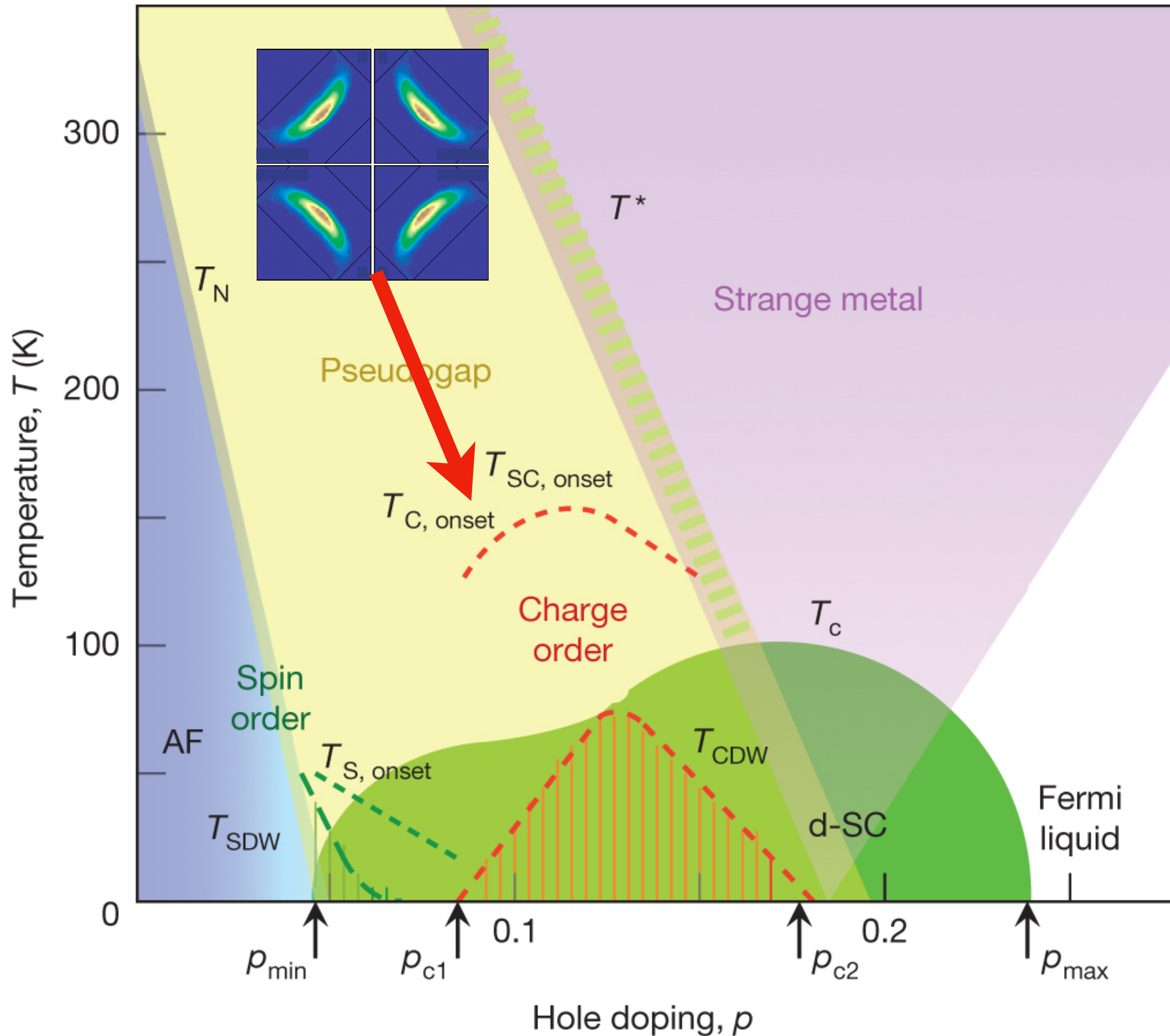
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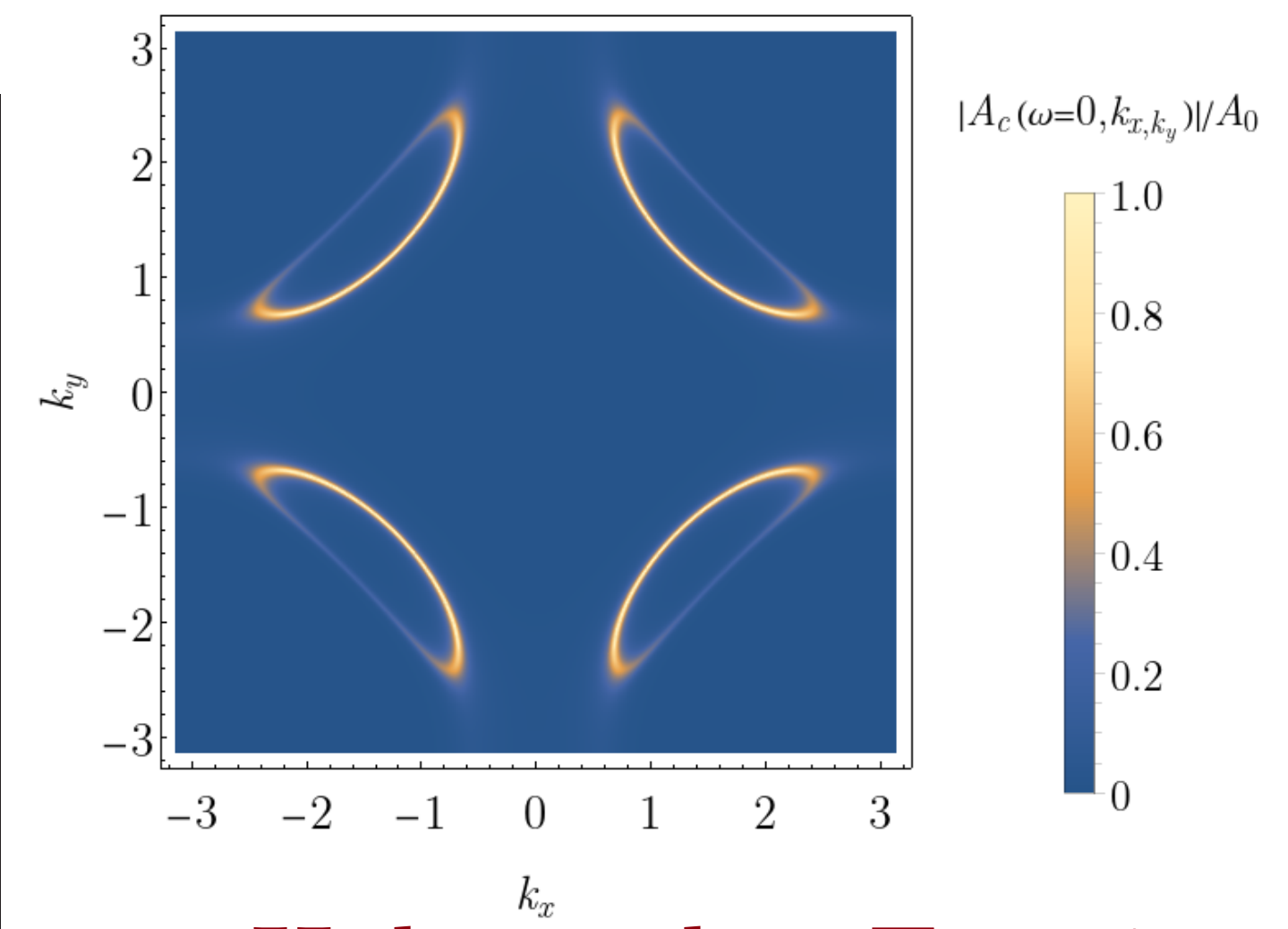
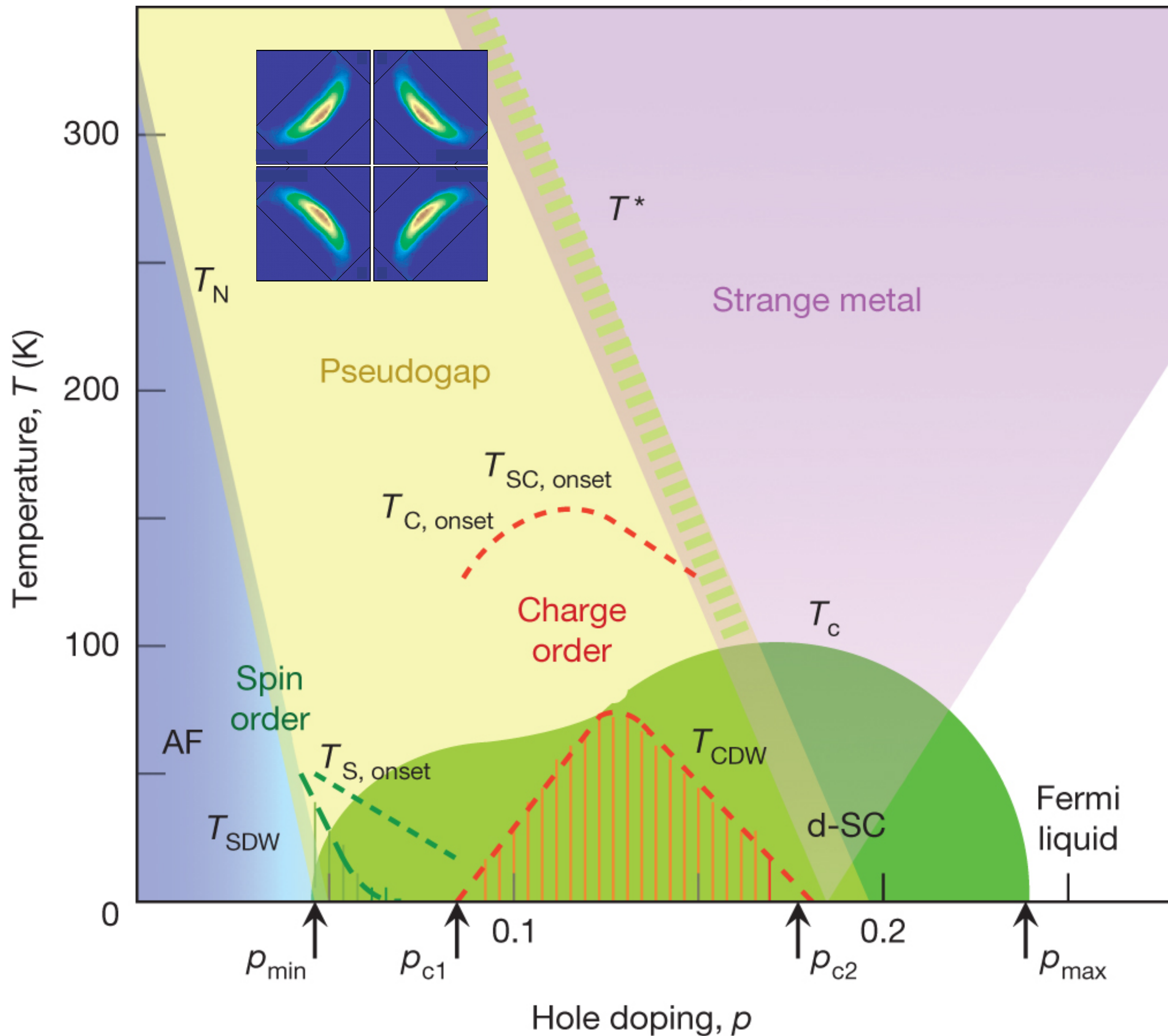
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Should we think of the pseudogap as a metal with “fluctuating” charge and/or superconducting order?



Use the pseudogap metal
in place of the Fermi liquid
as the ‘parent’ to
conventional
d-wave superconductor,
charge density wave,
spin density wave,
pair density wave
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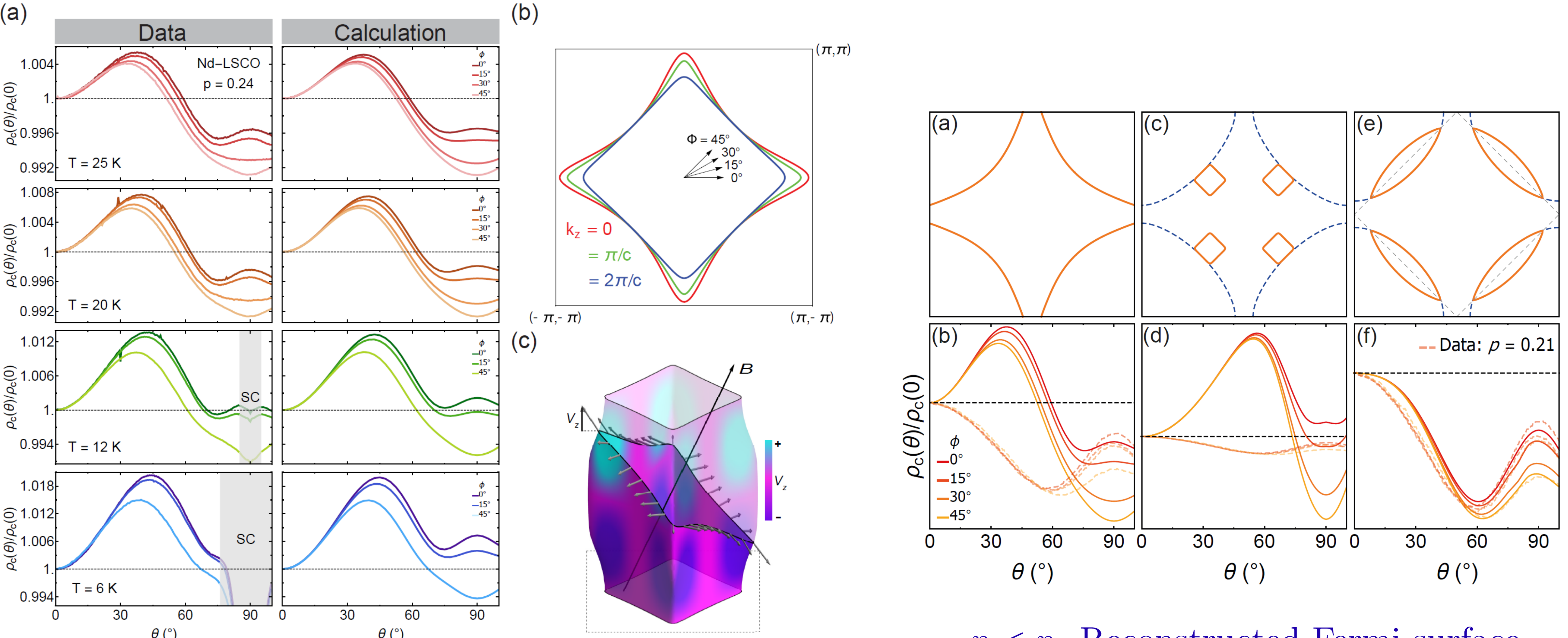
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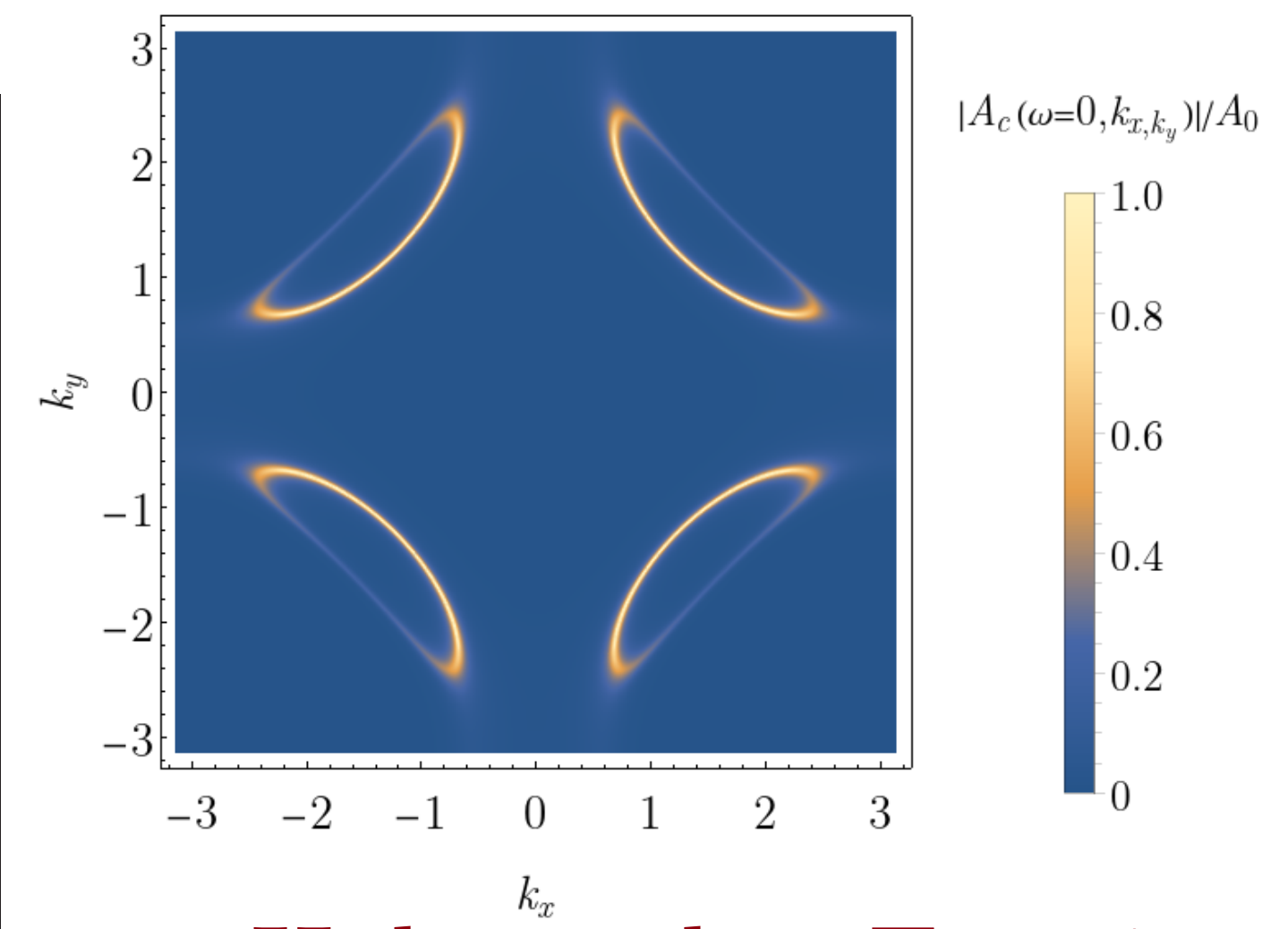
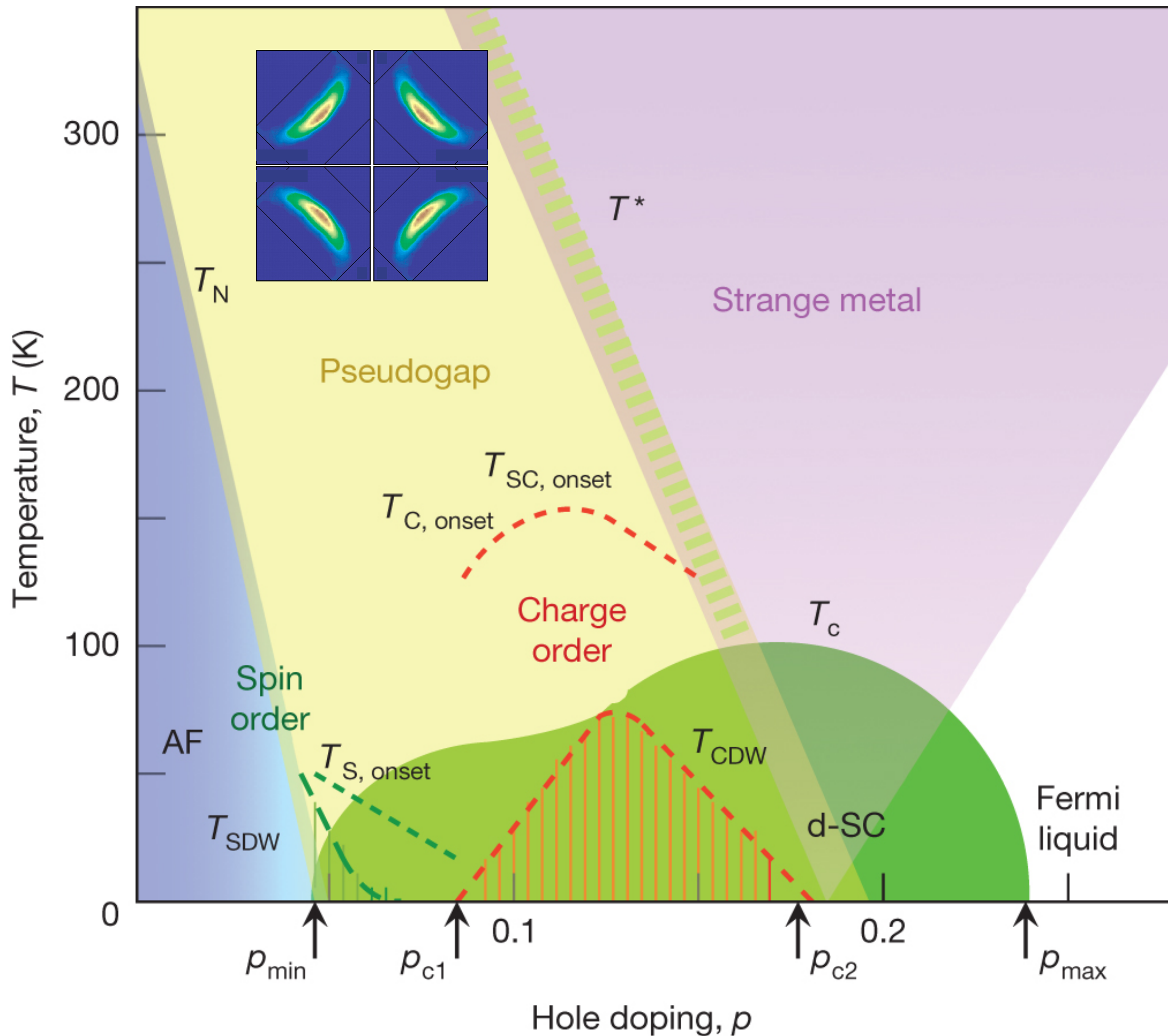
Fermi surface transformation at the pseudogap critical point of a cuprate superconductor

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$p < p_c$ Reconstructed Fermi surface

$p > p_c$ Large Fermi surface



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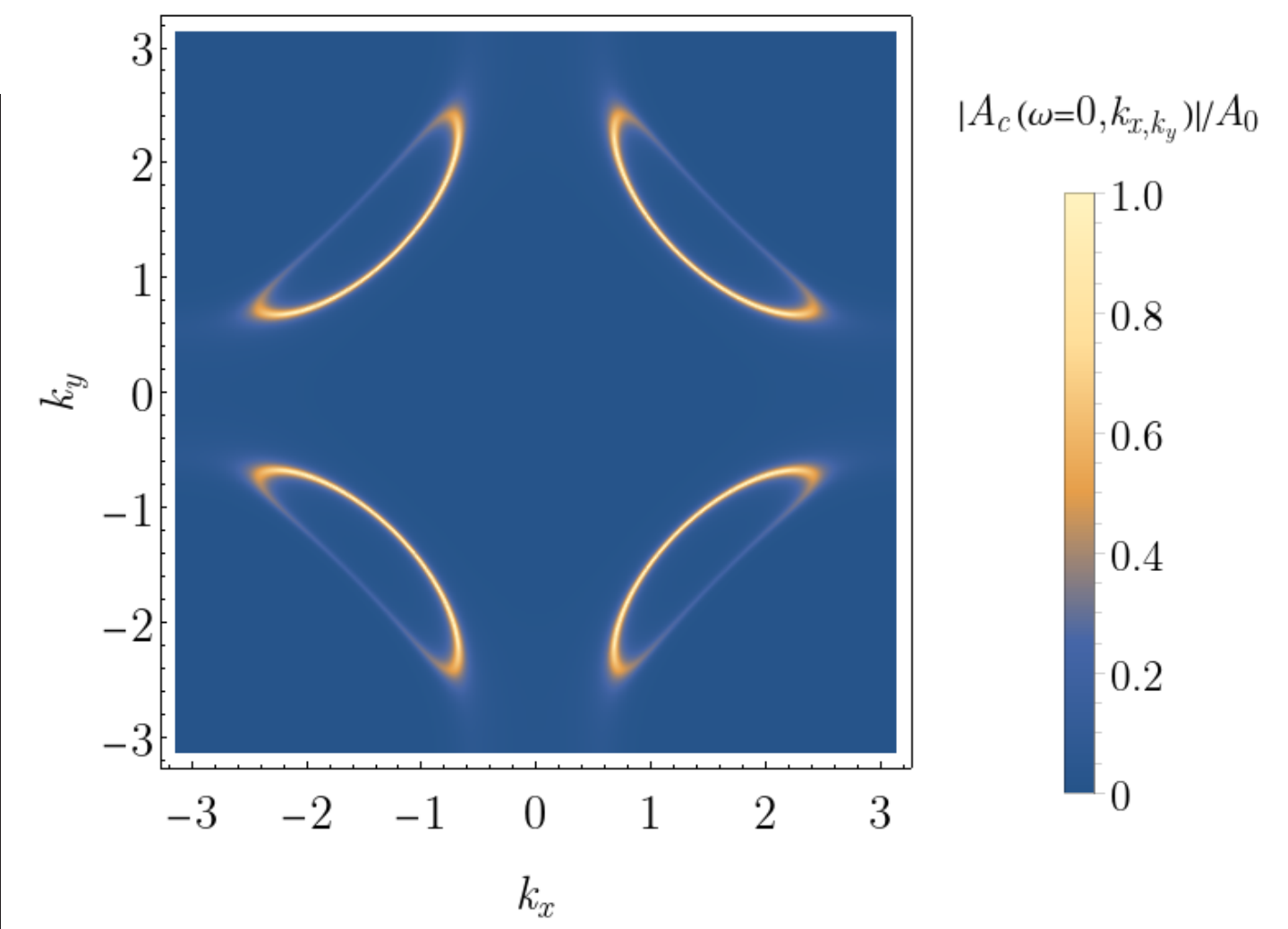
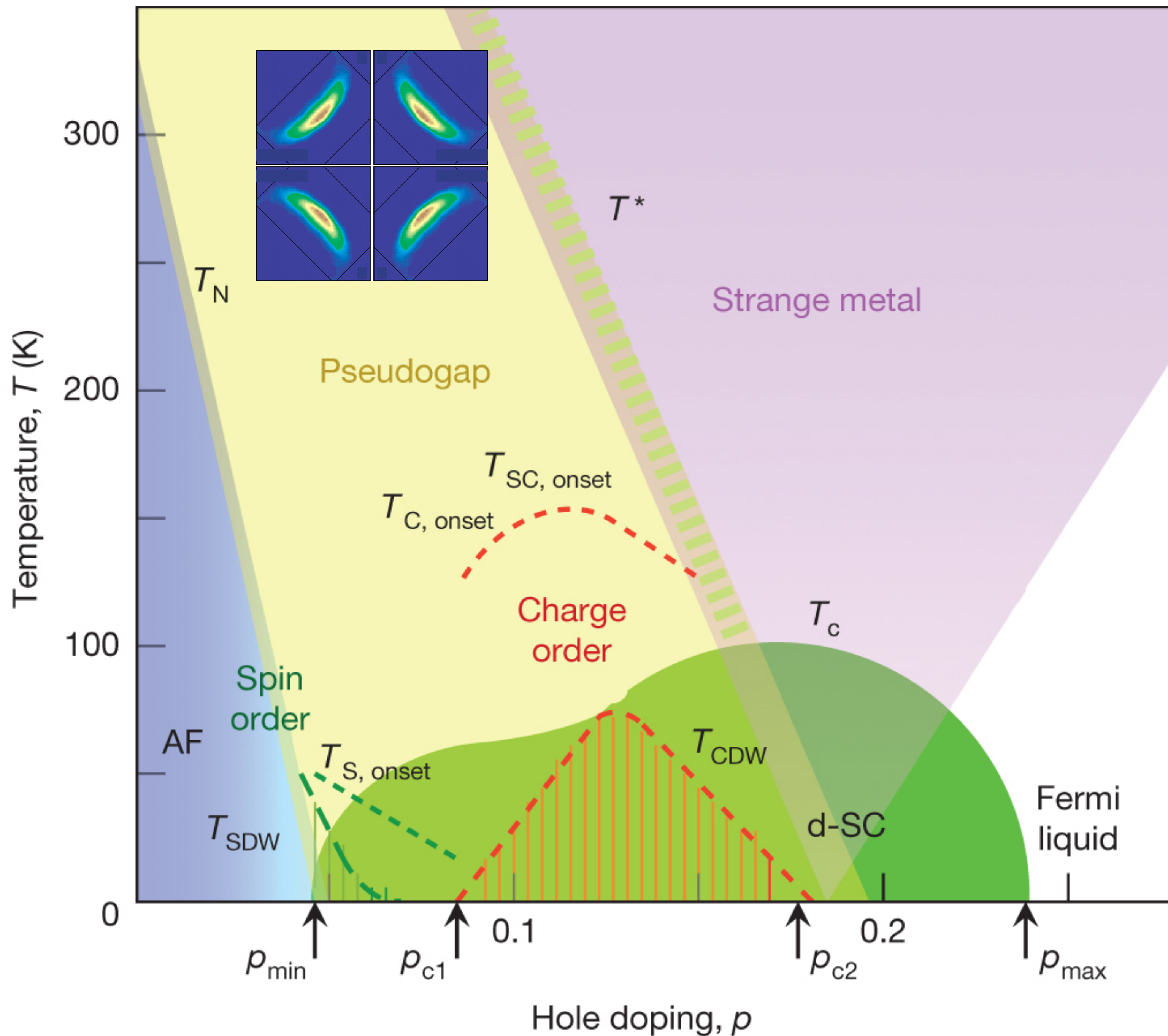
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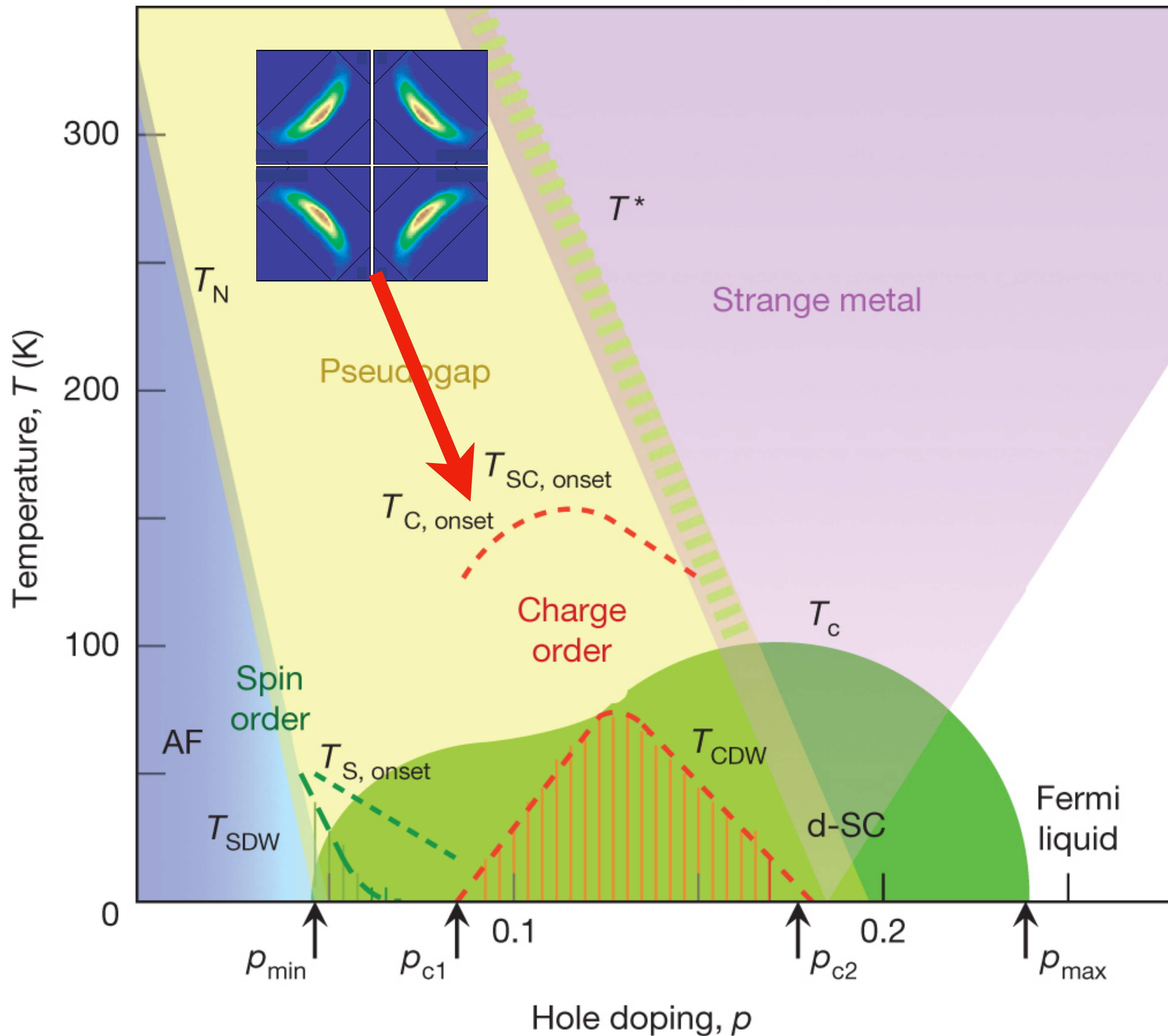


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square lattice spin liquid
at half-filling.

FL*: Spin liquid is *required* because
the Fermi surface does not enclose
the Luttinger volume $(1 + p)$.

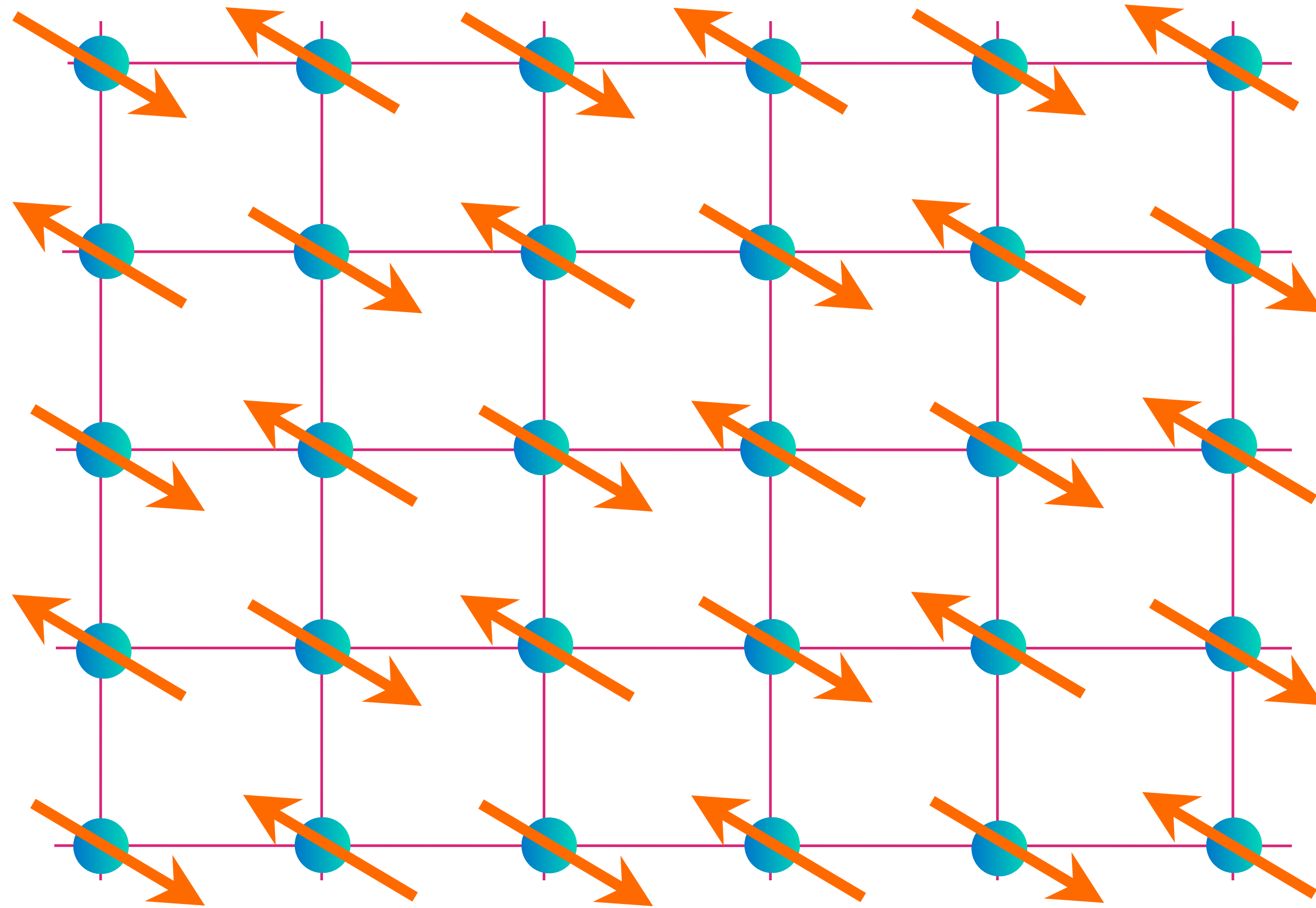
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The onset of conventional order is a *confinement transition* for the emergent gauge theory describing the fractionalized excitations of the spin liquid in the FL* state.

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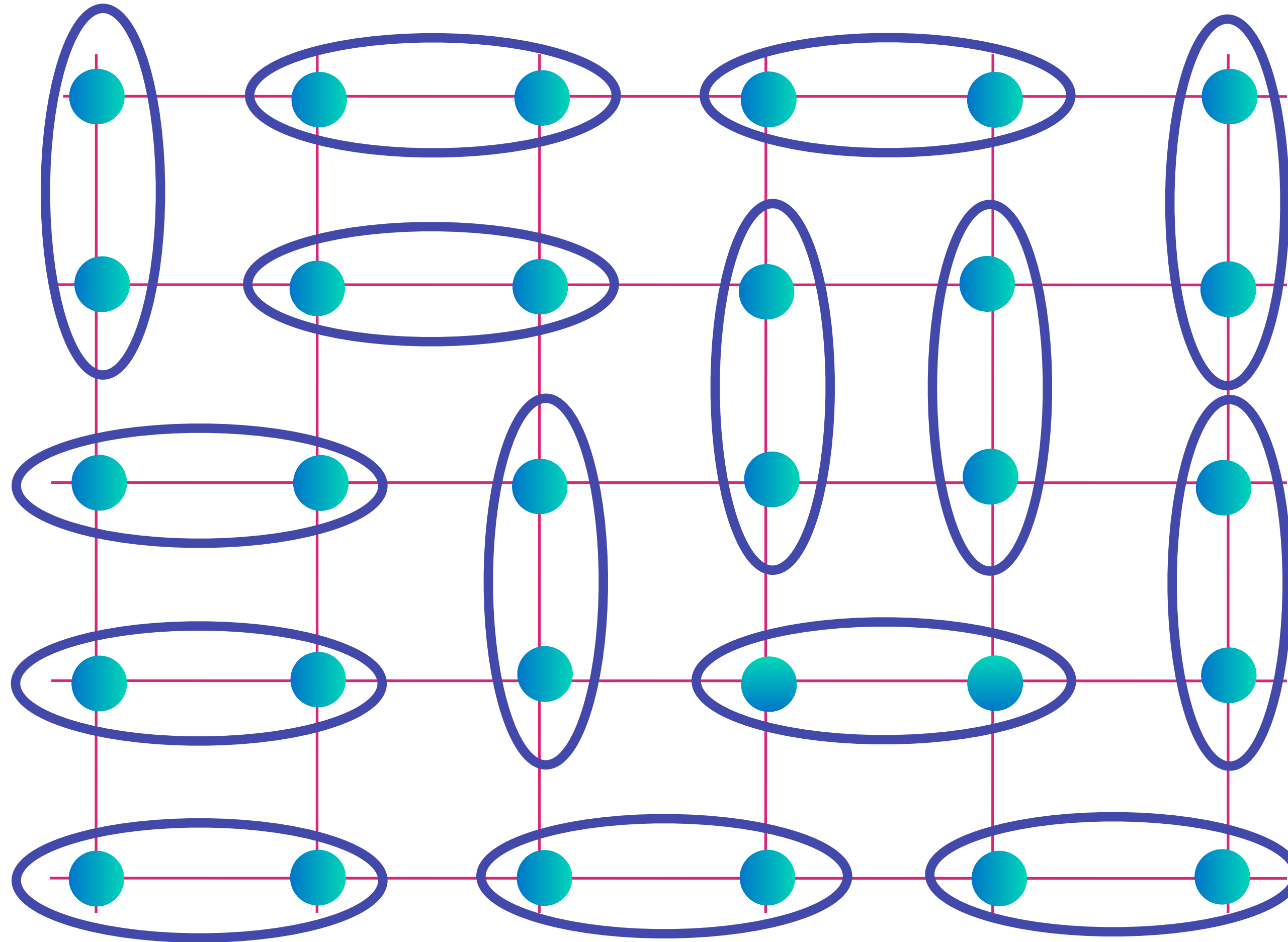
Antiferromagnetism

All nearest-neighbor pairs of electrons have opposite spins

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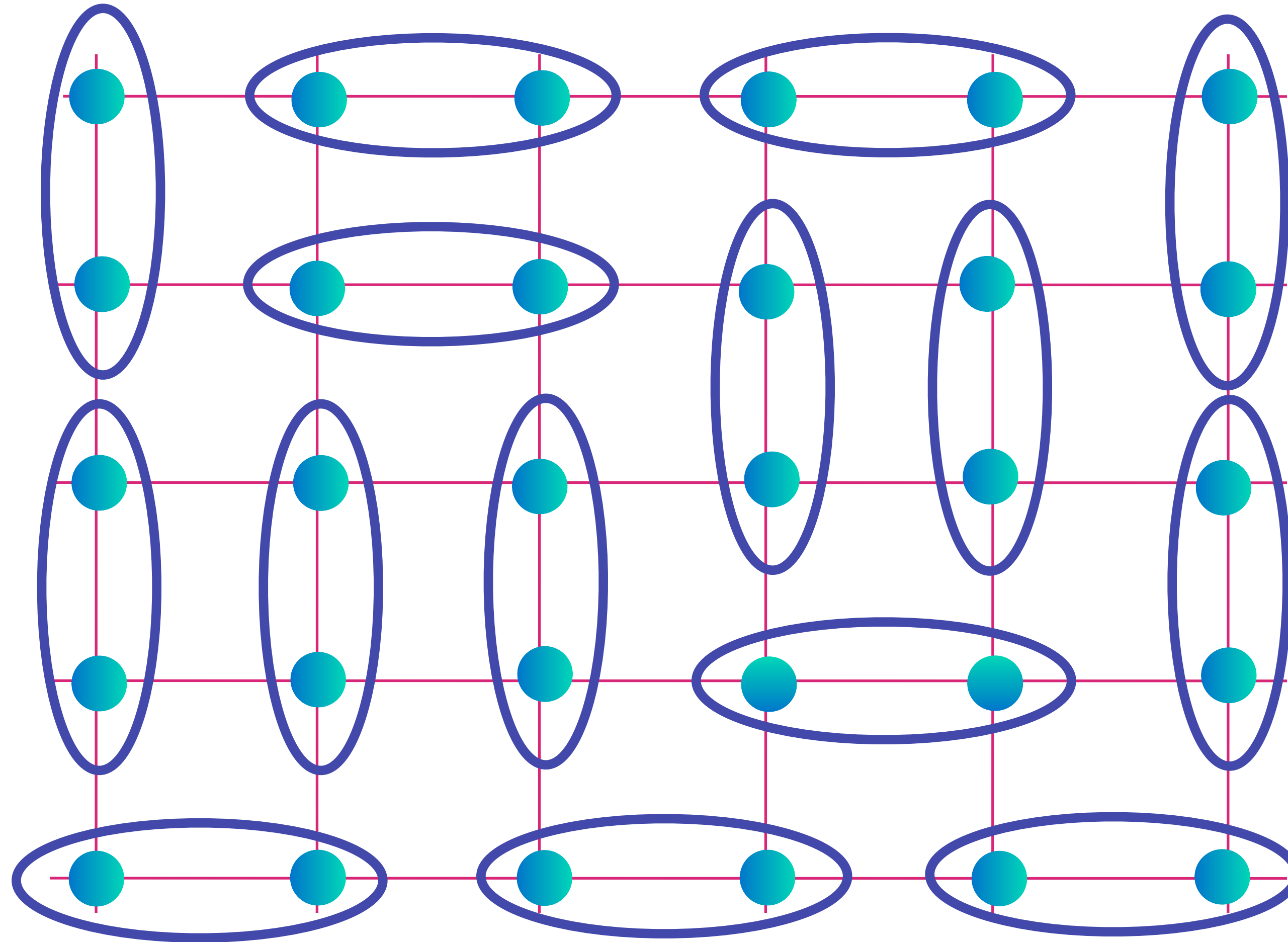
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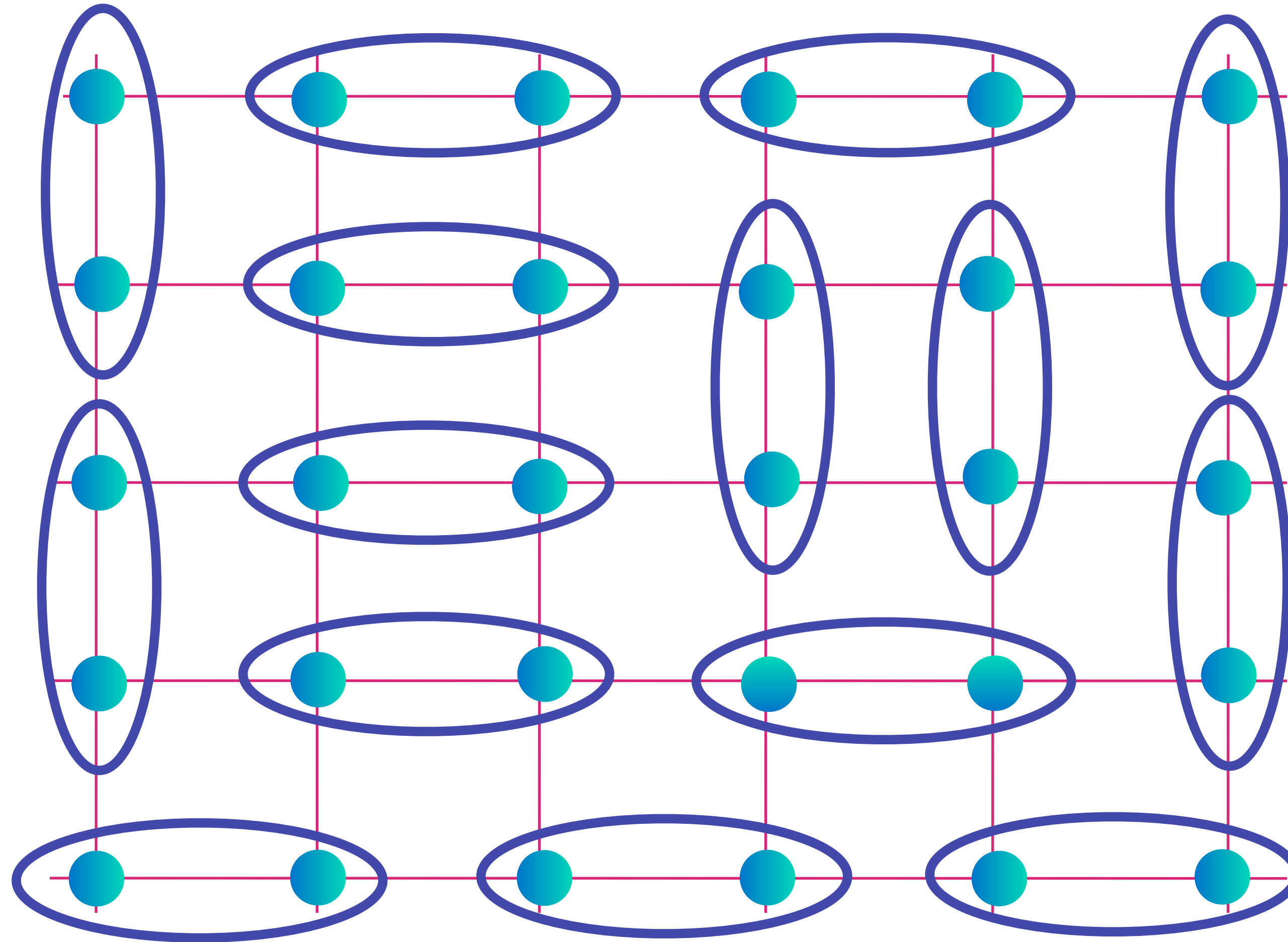
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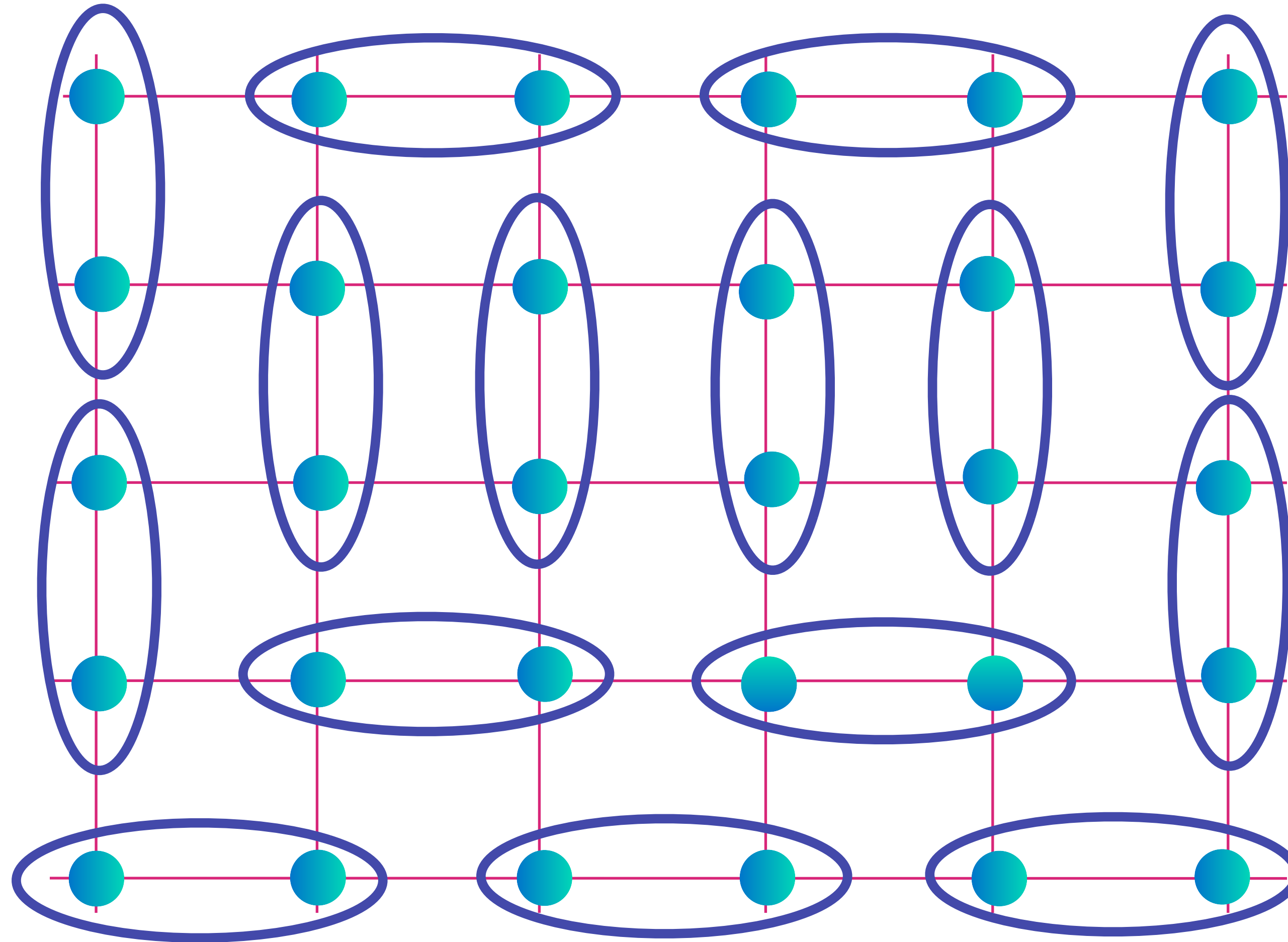


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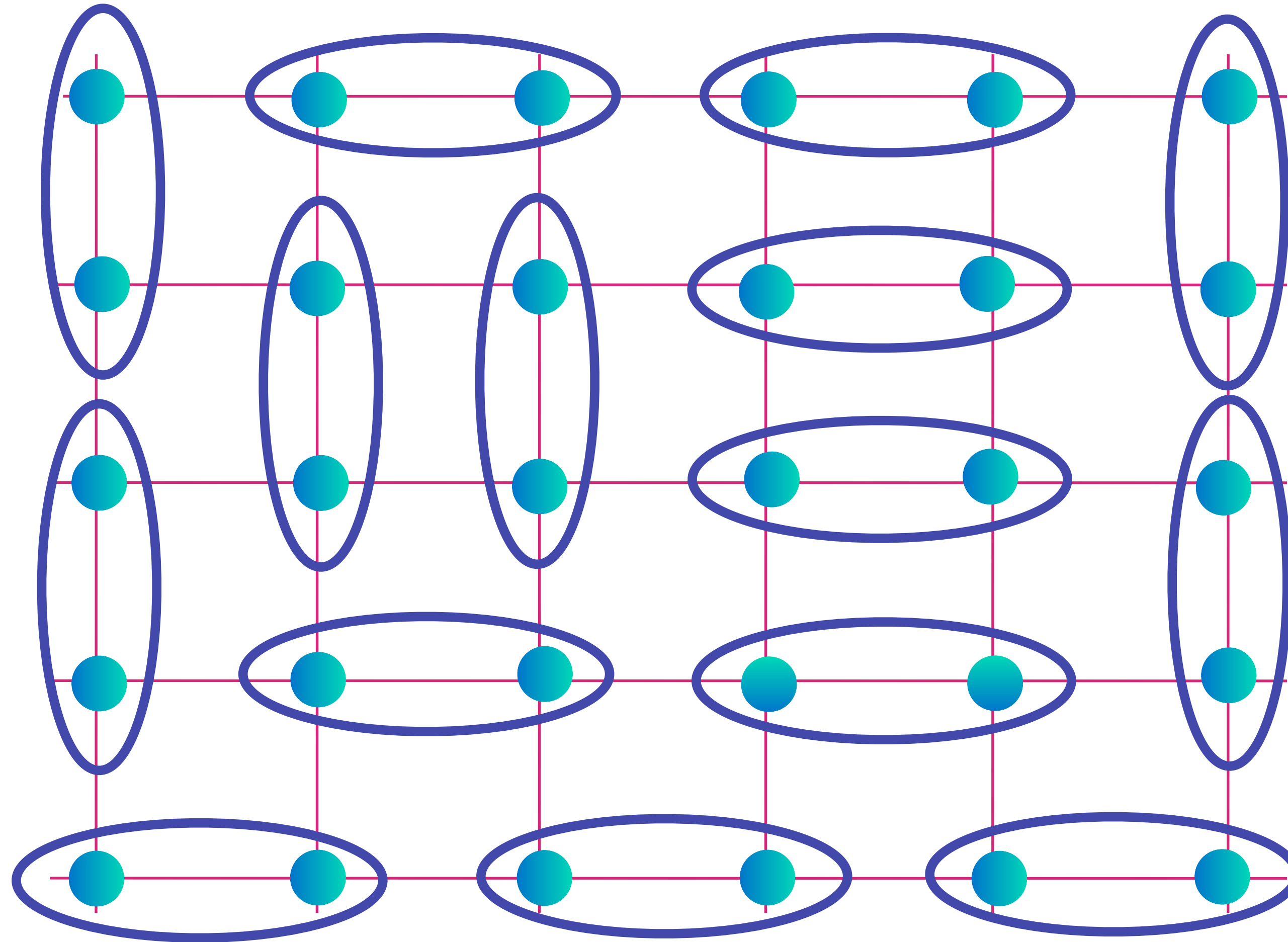
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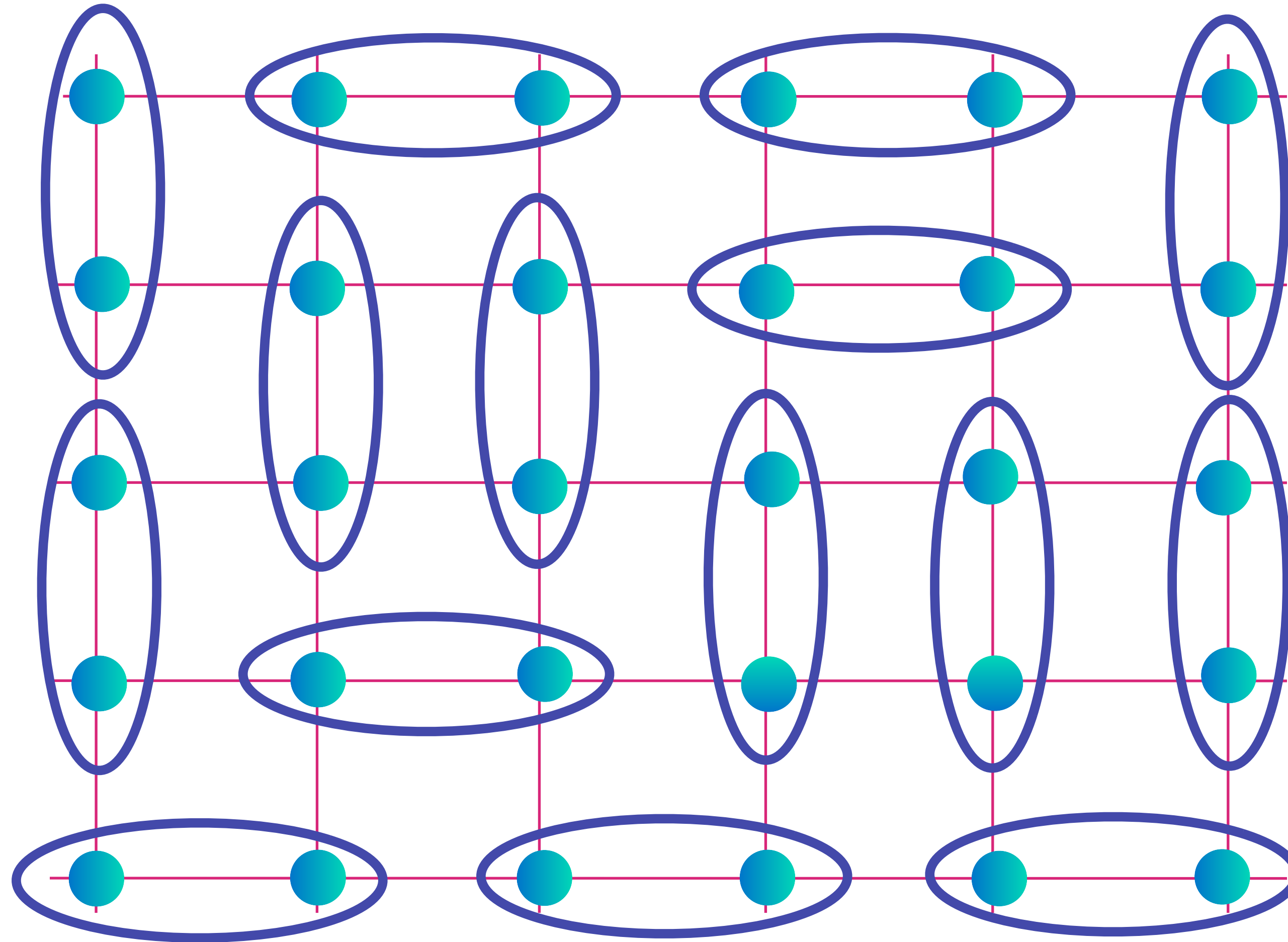
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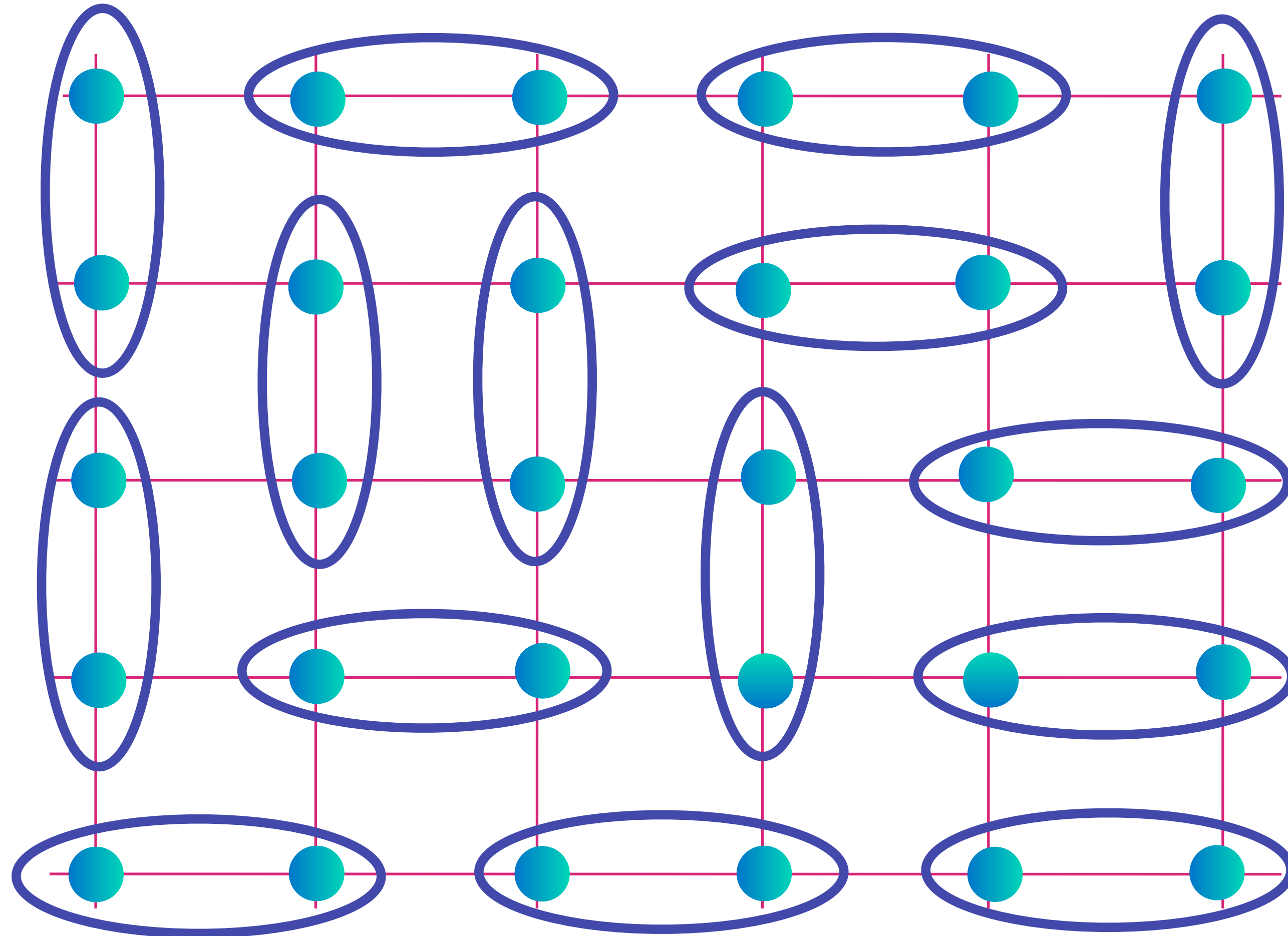
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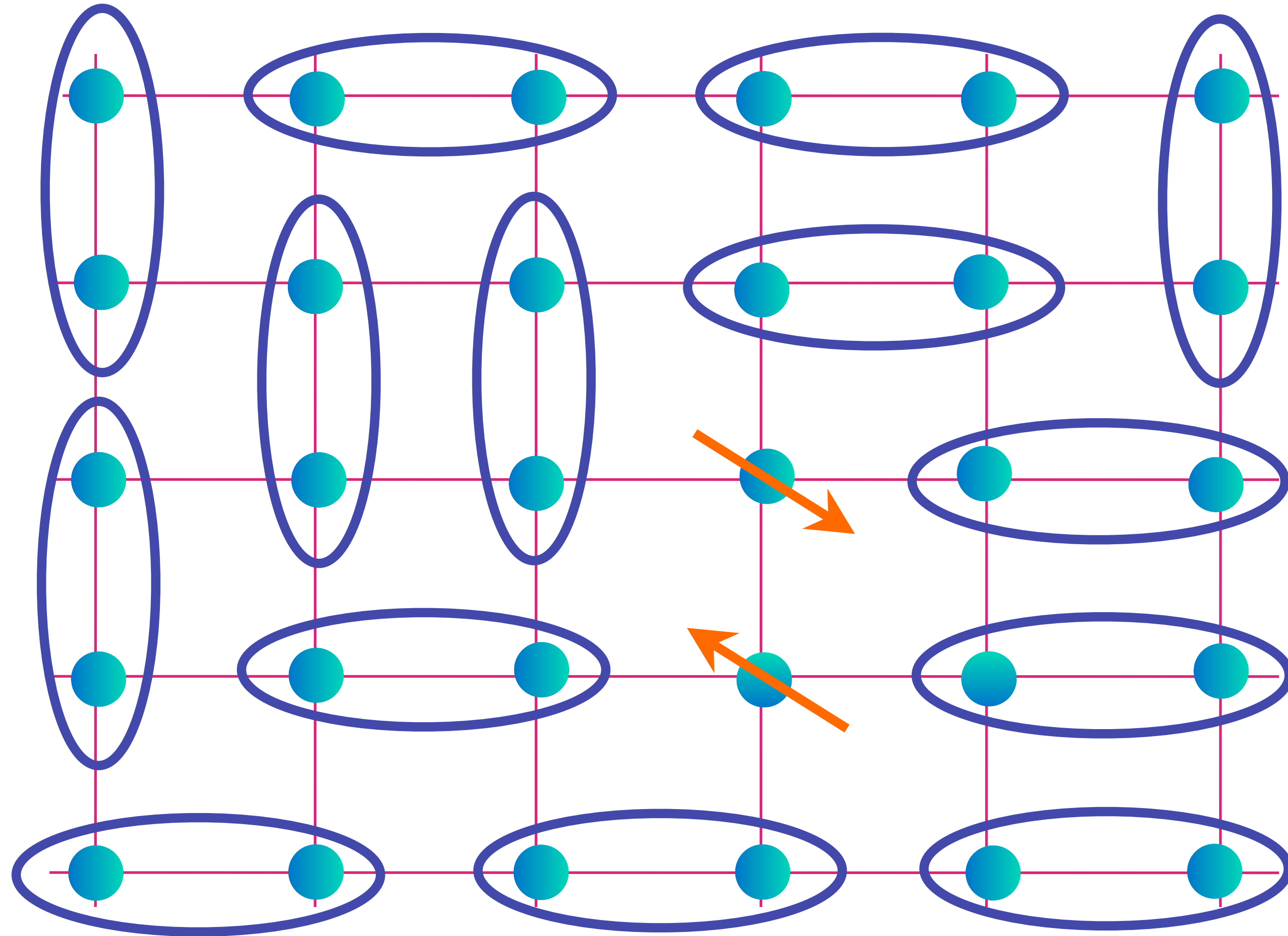
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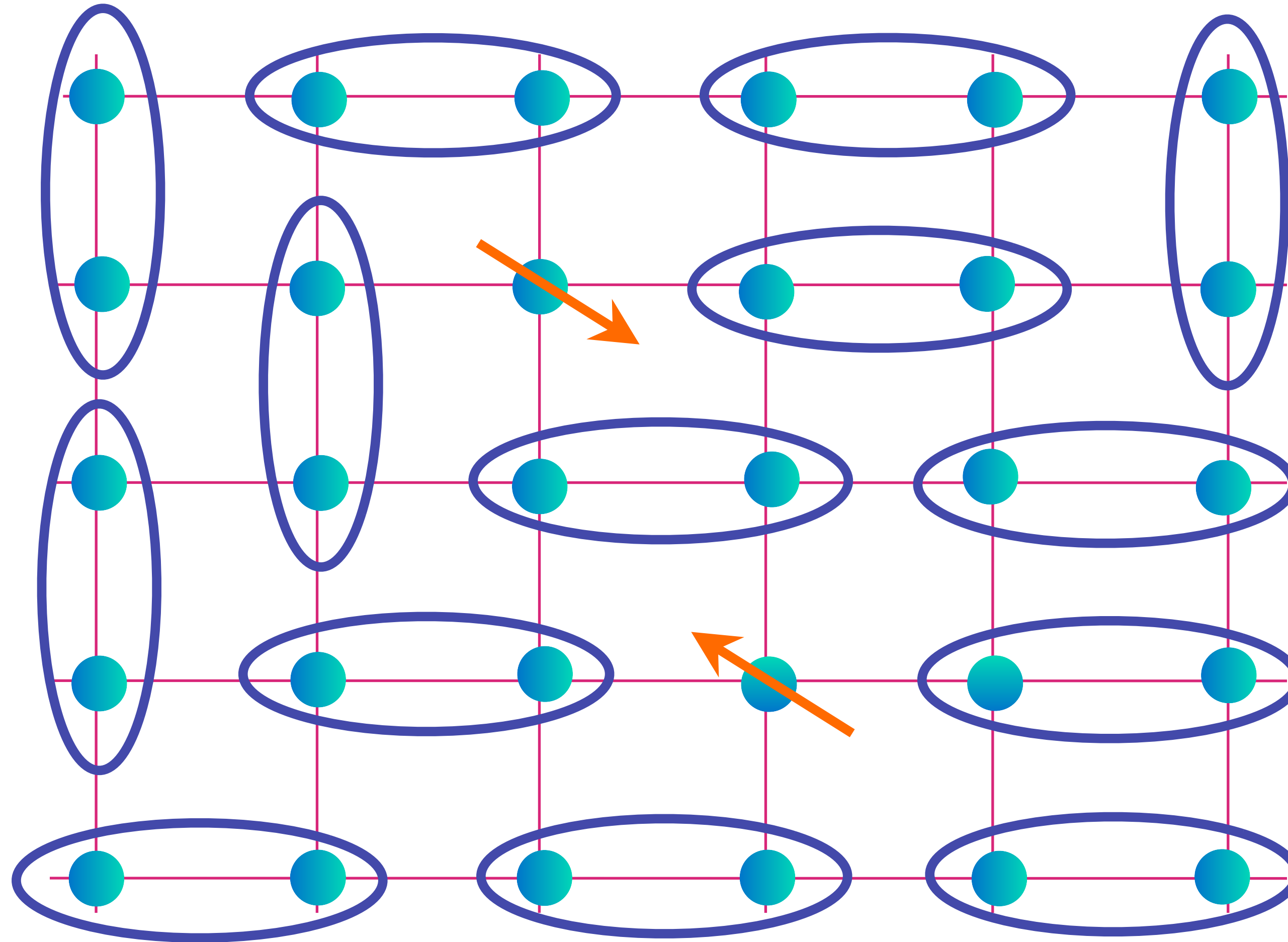


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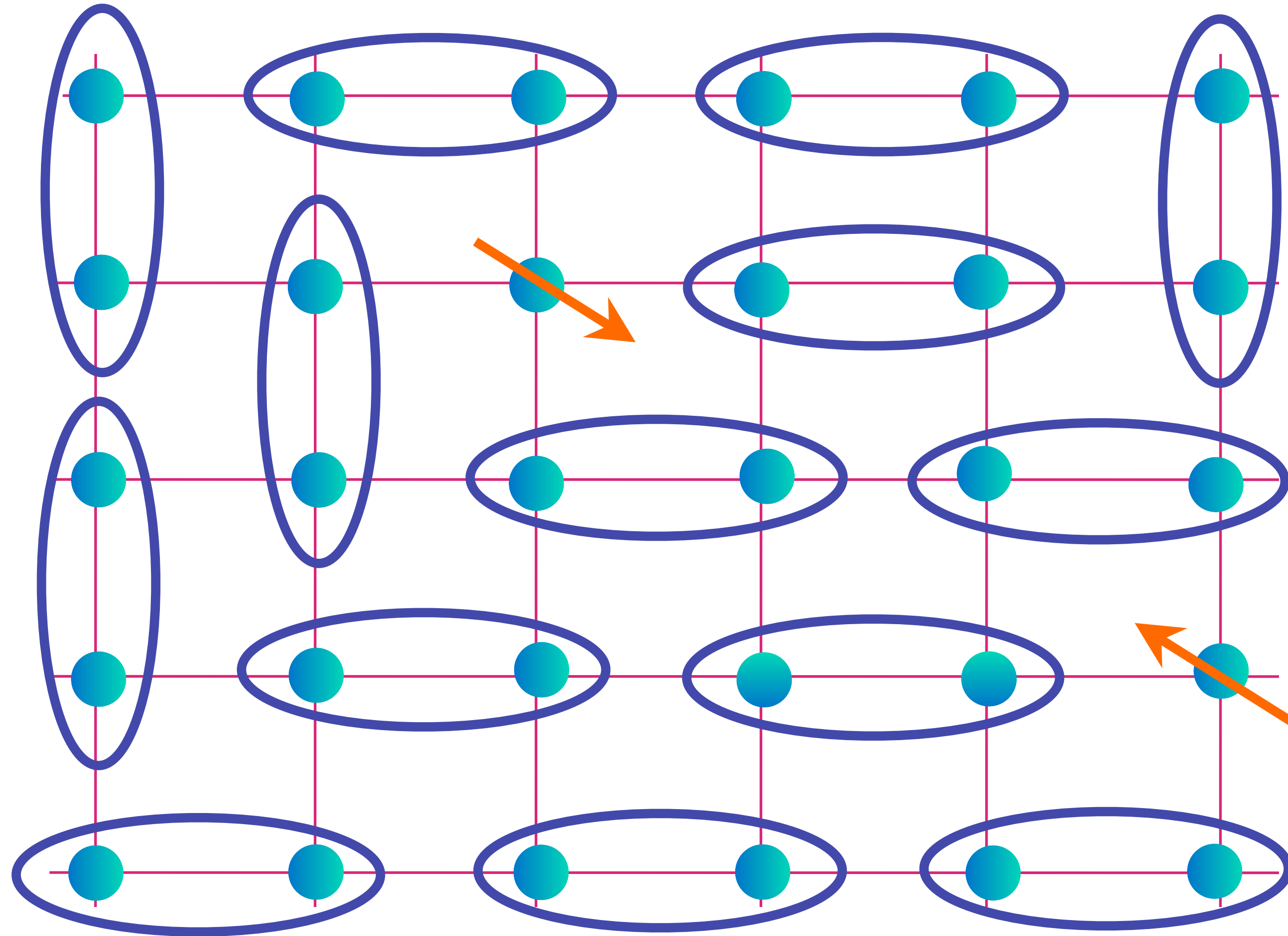


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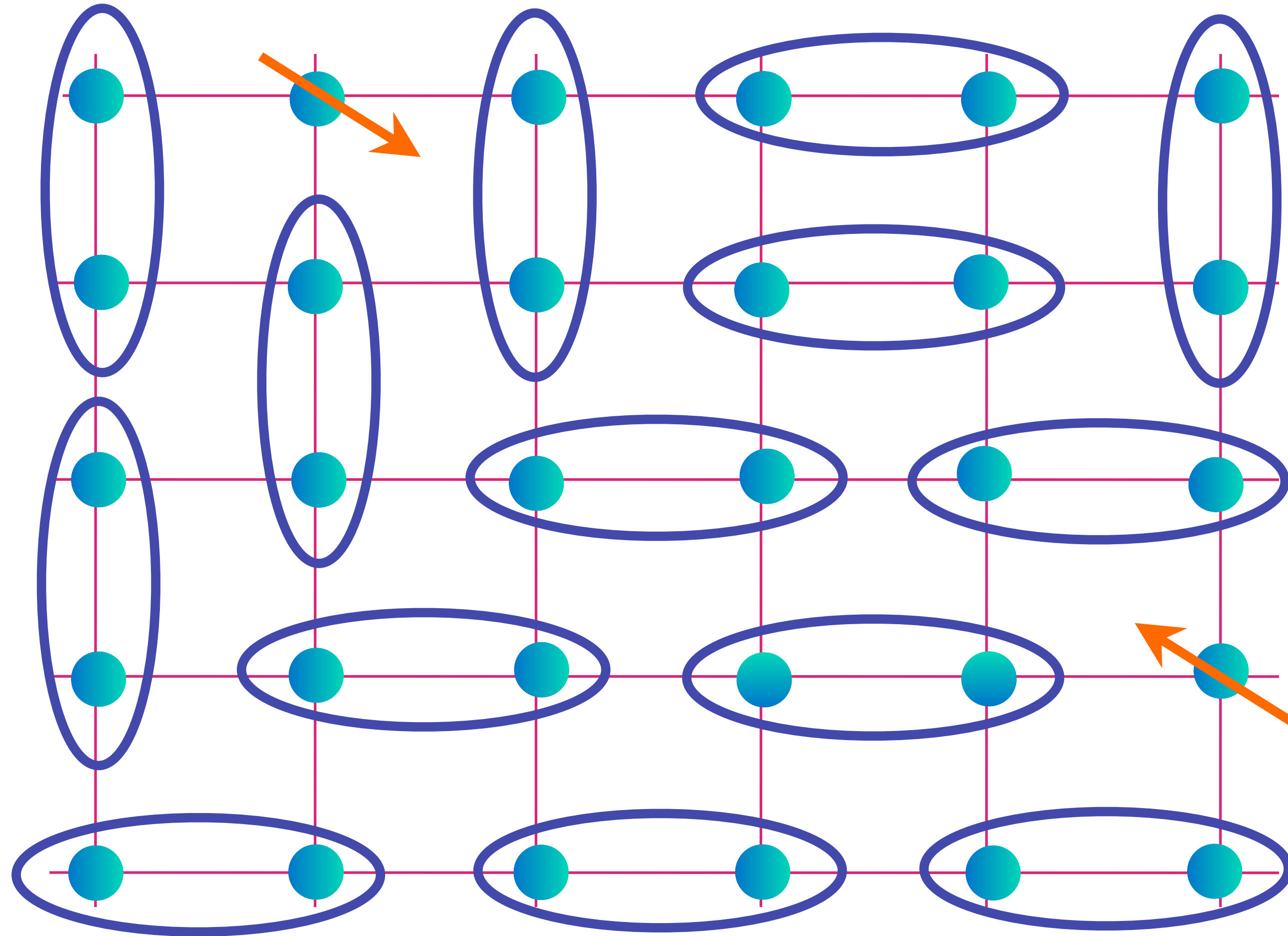


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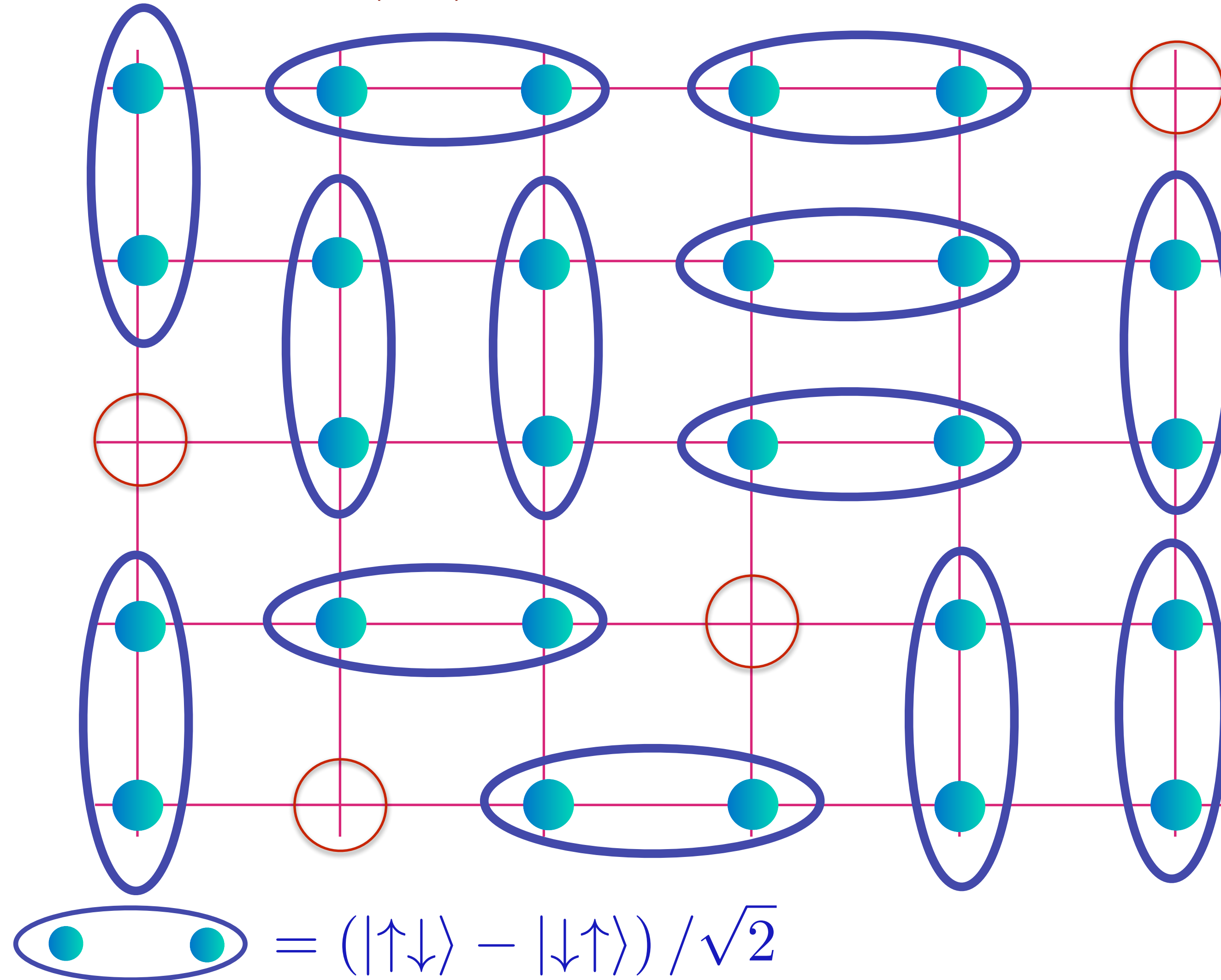
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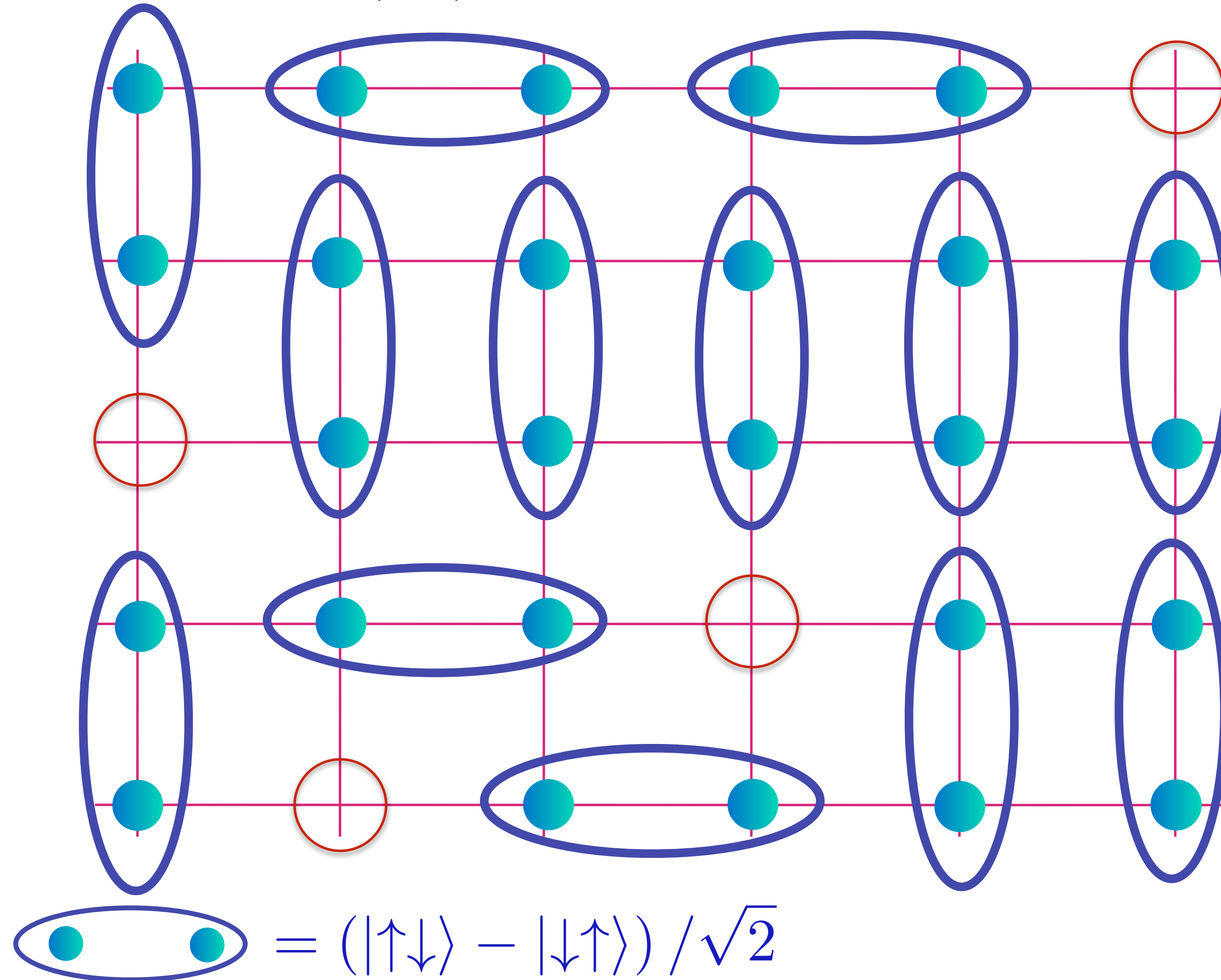
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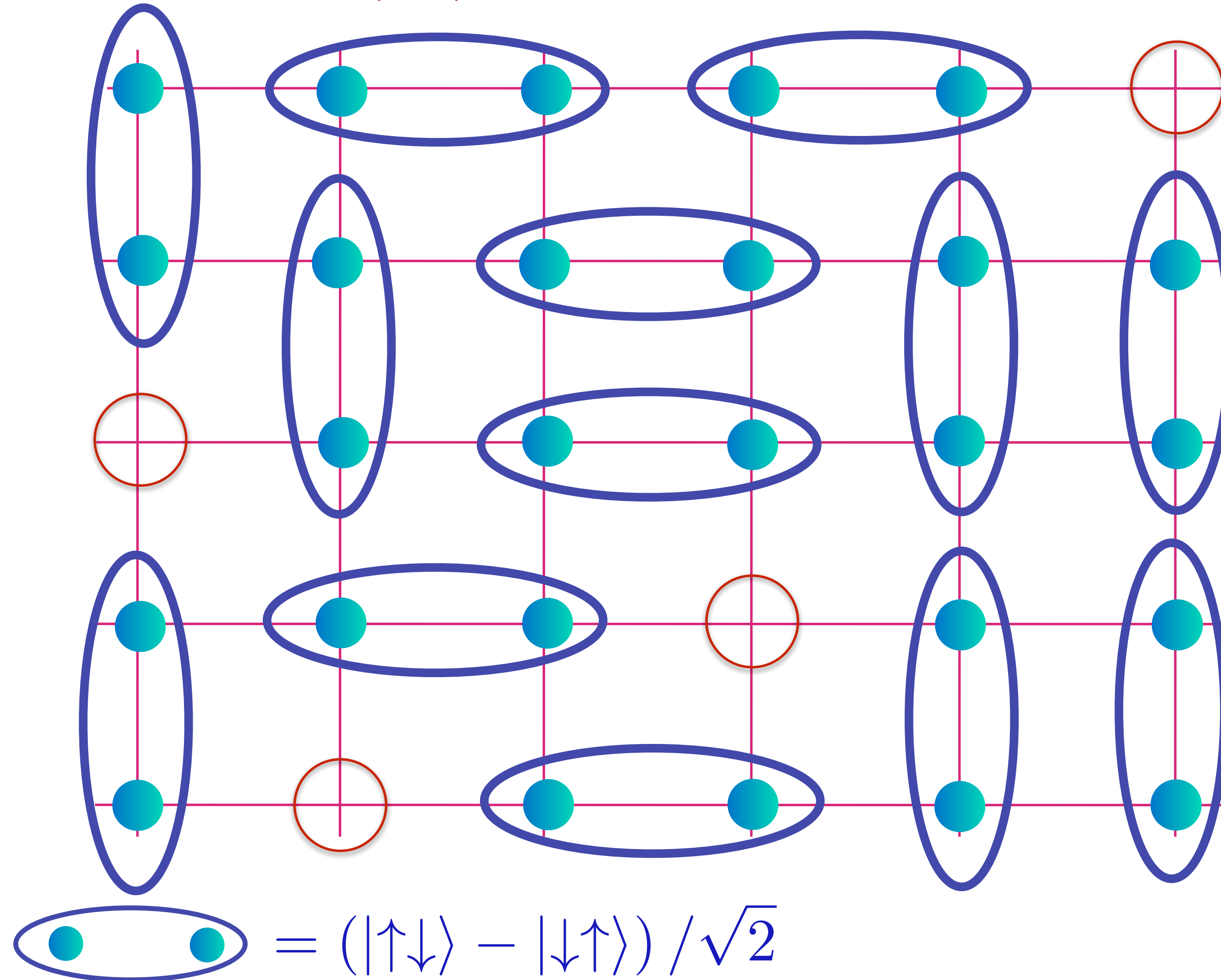
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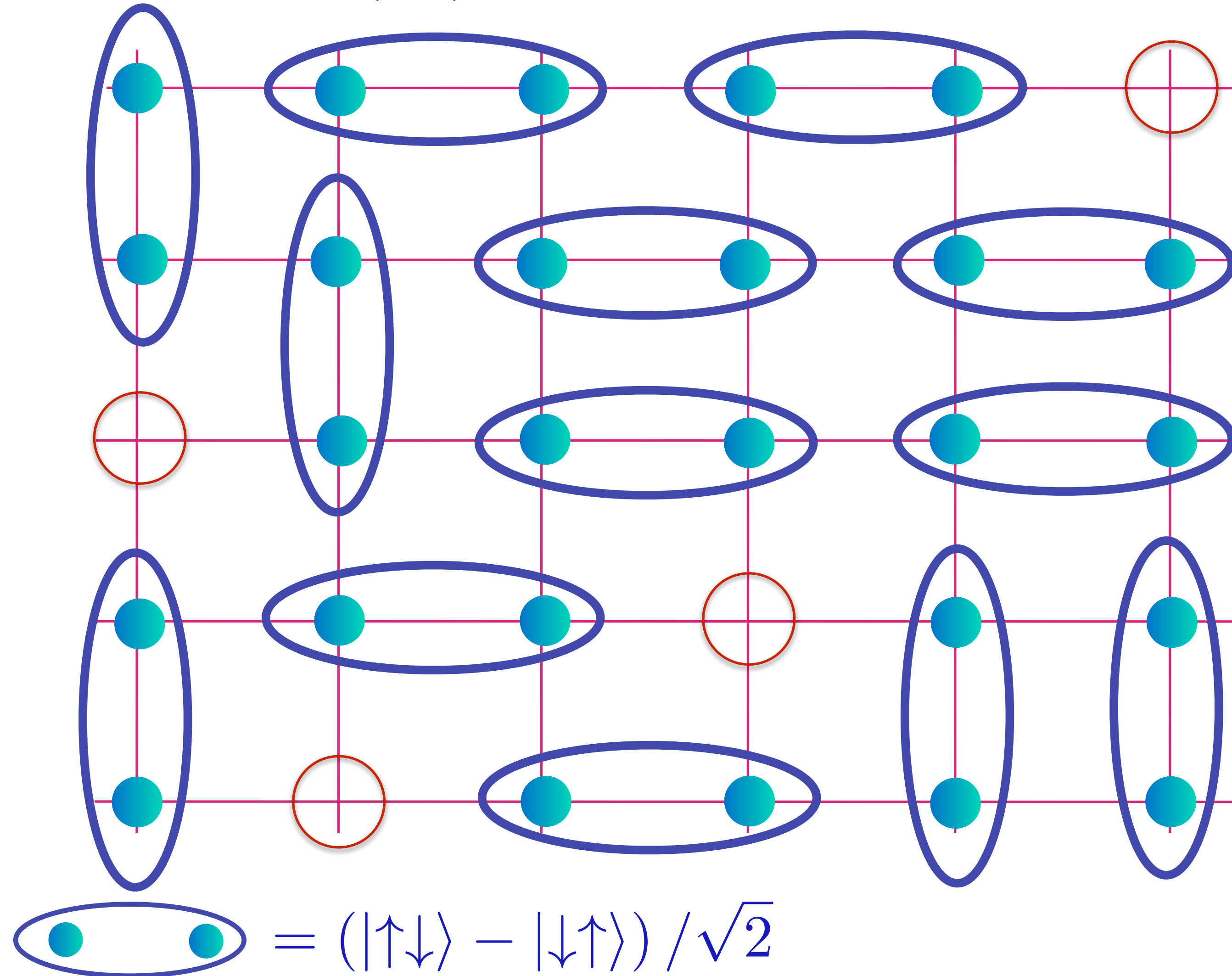
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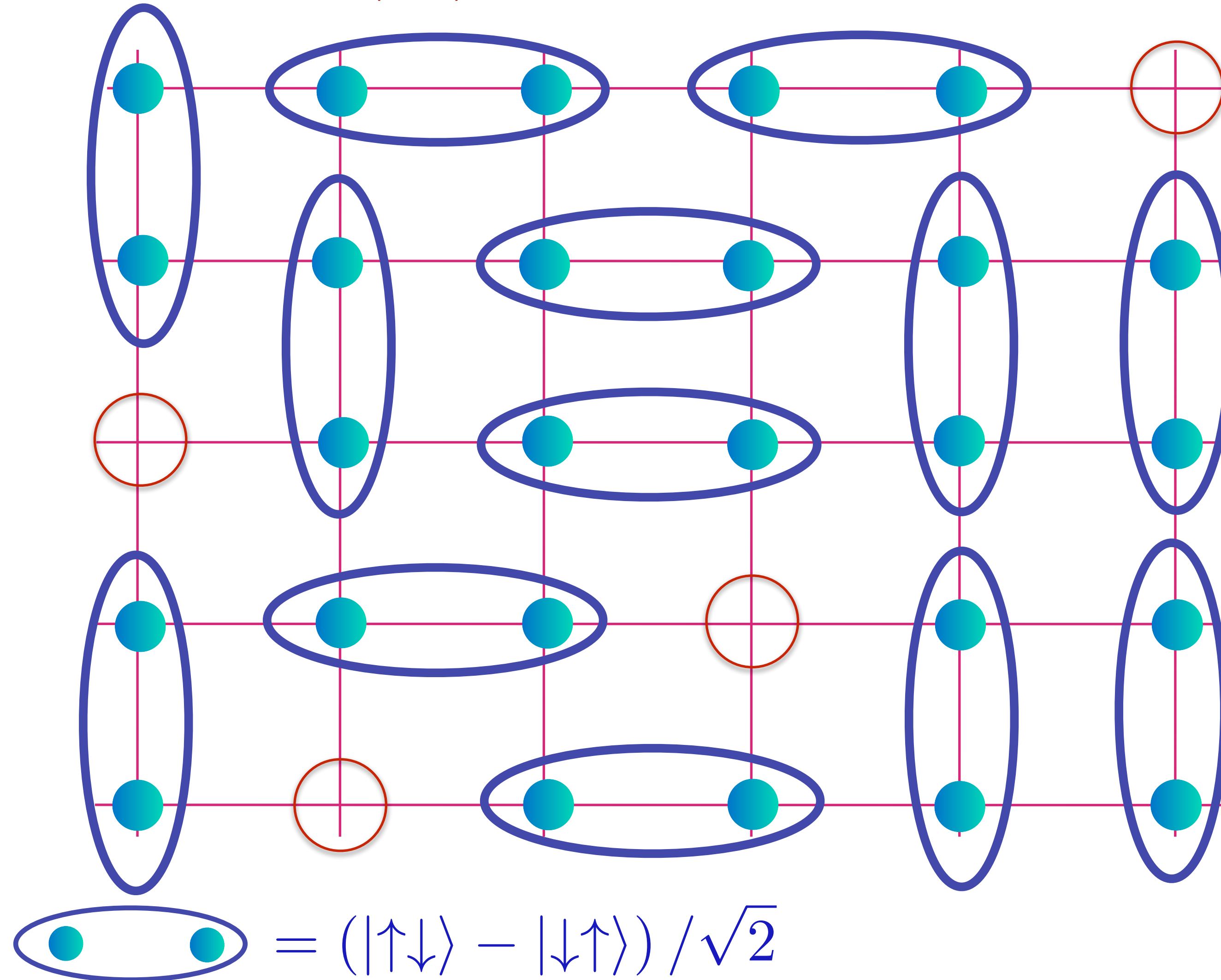
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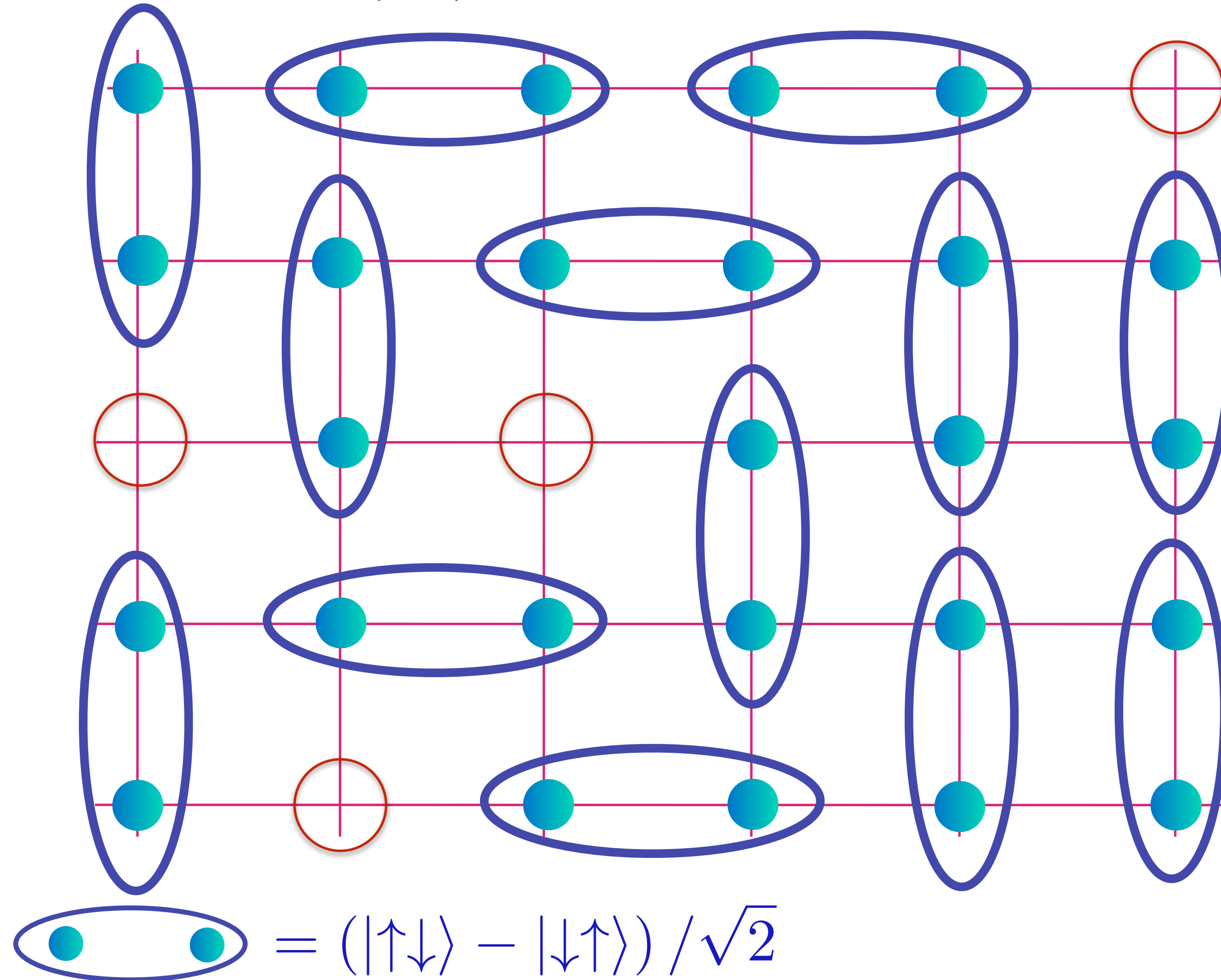
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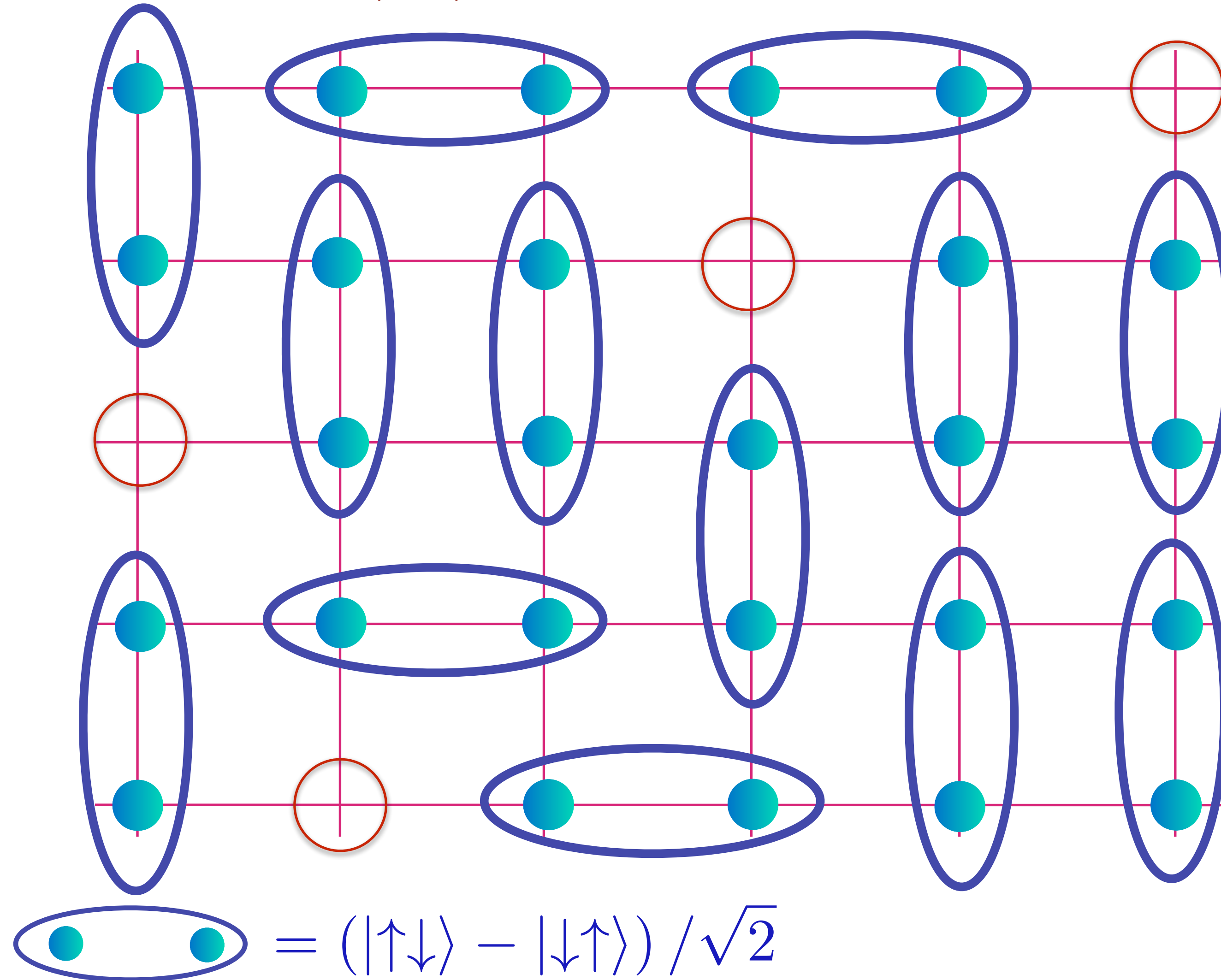
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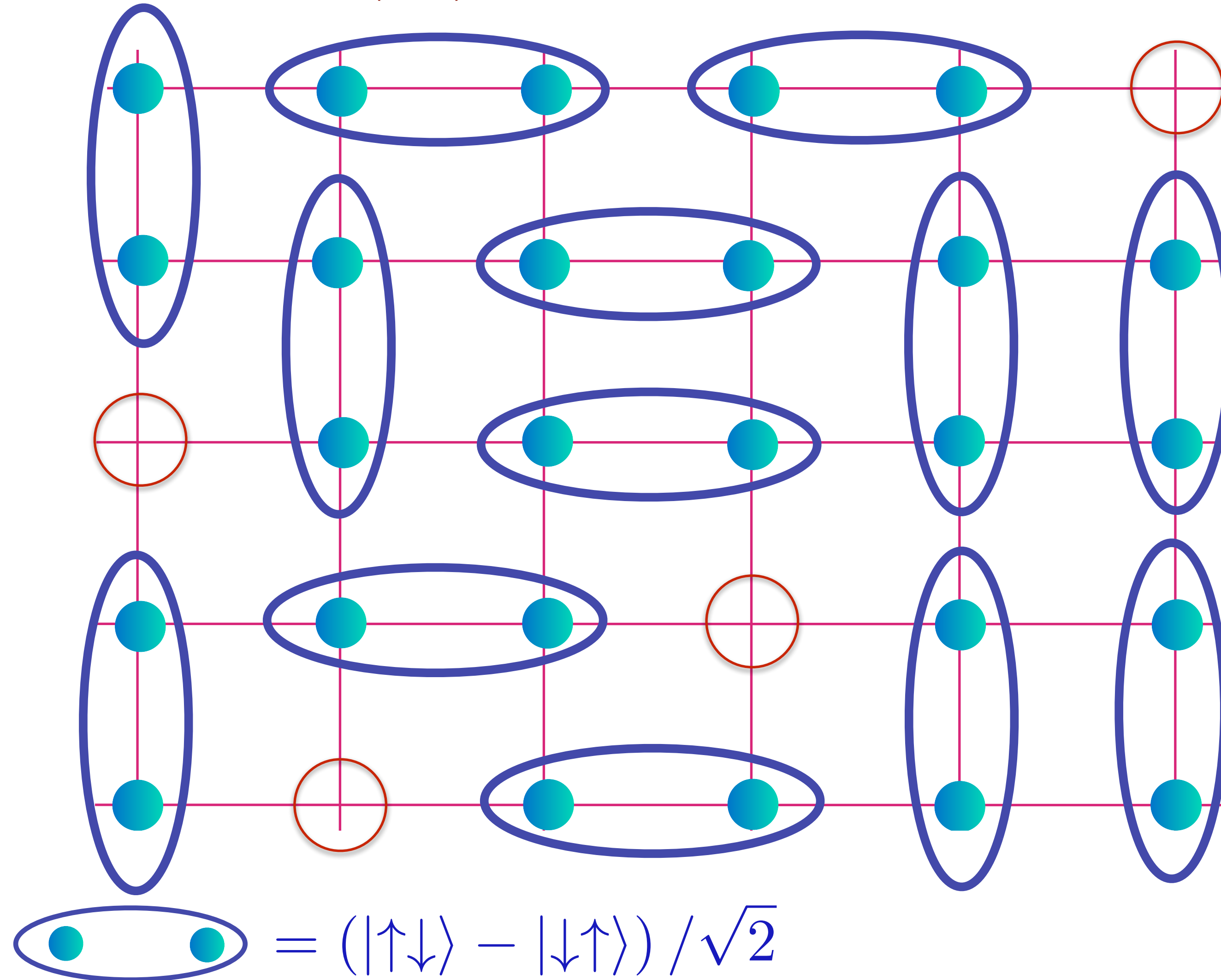
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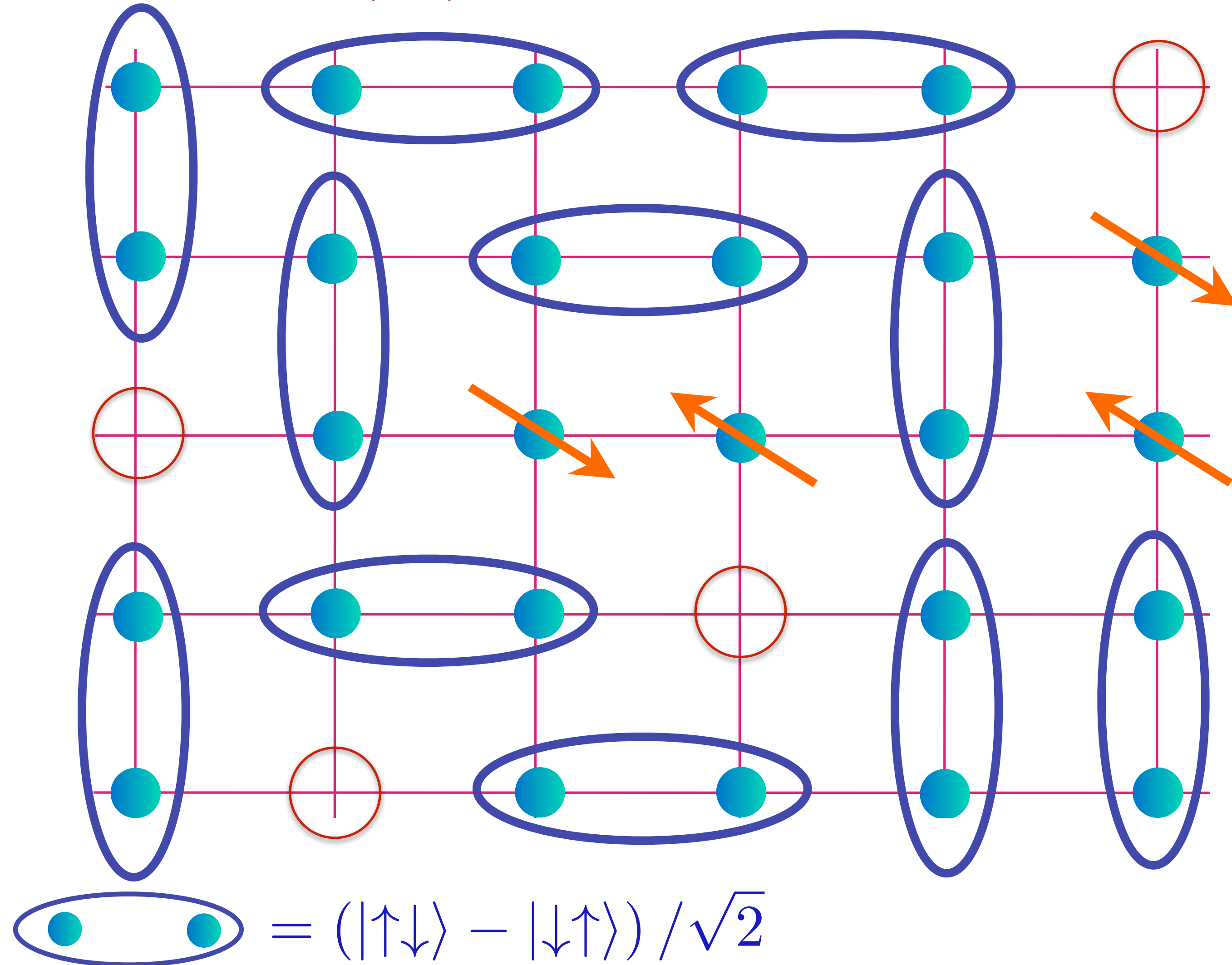
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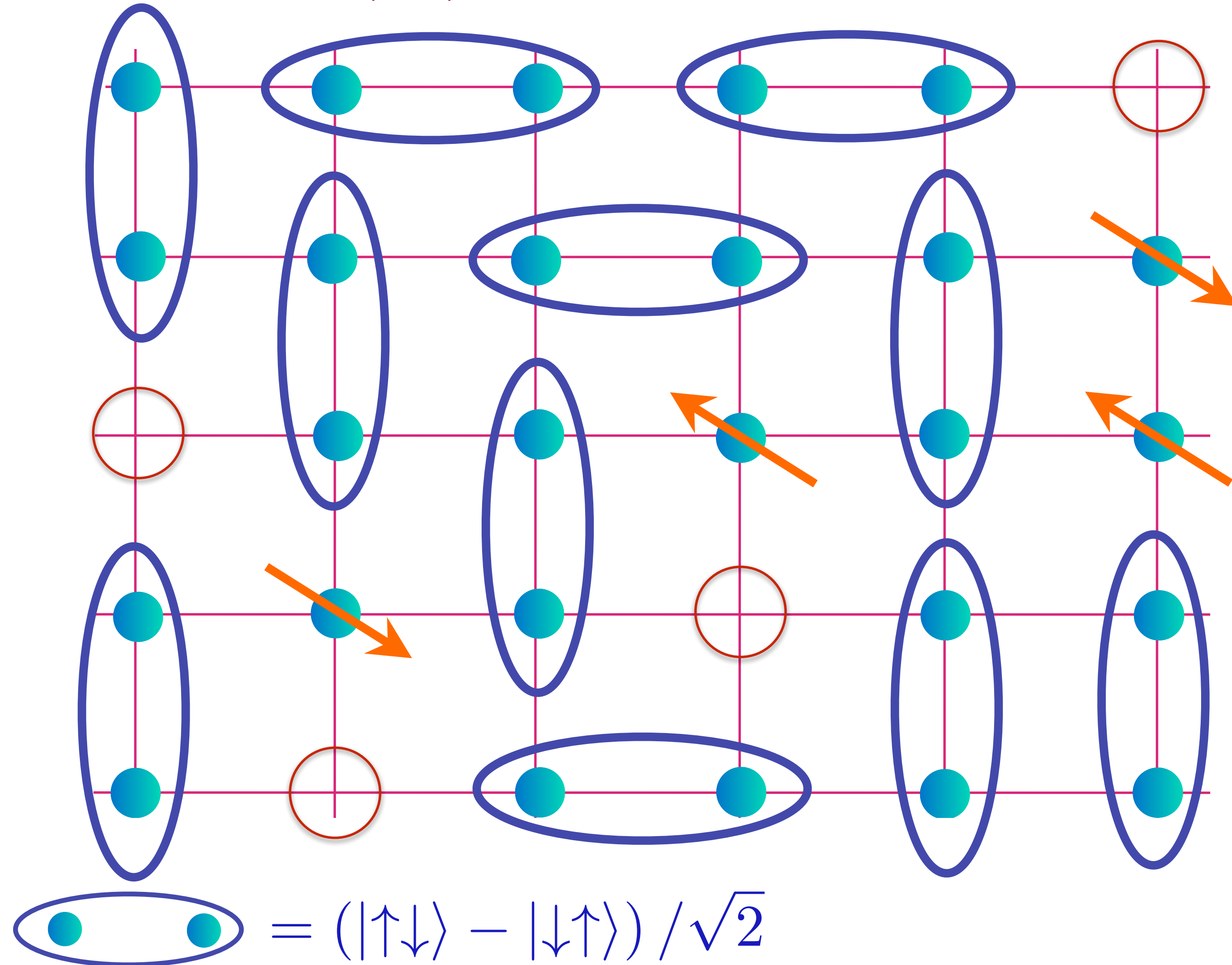
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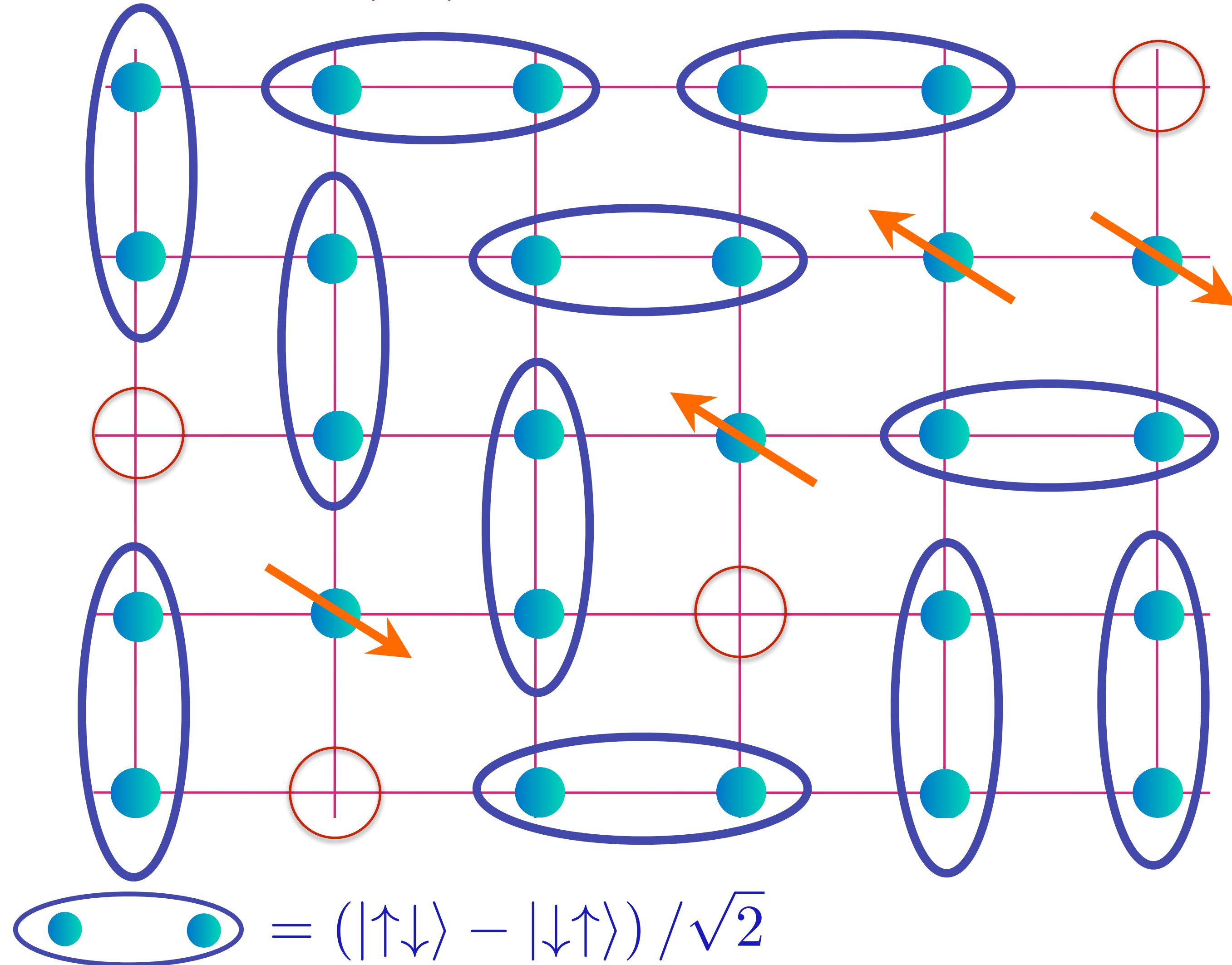
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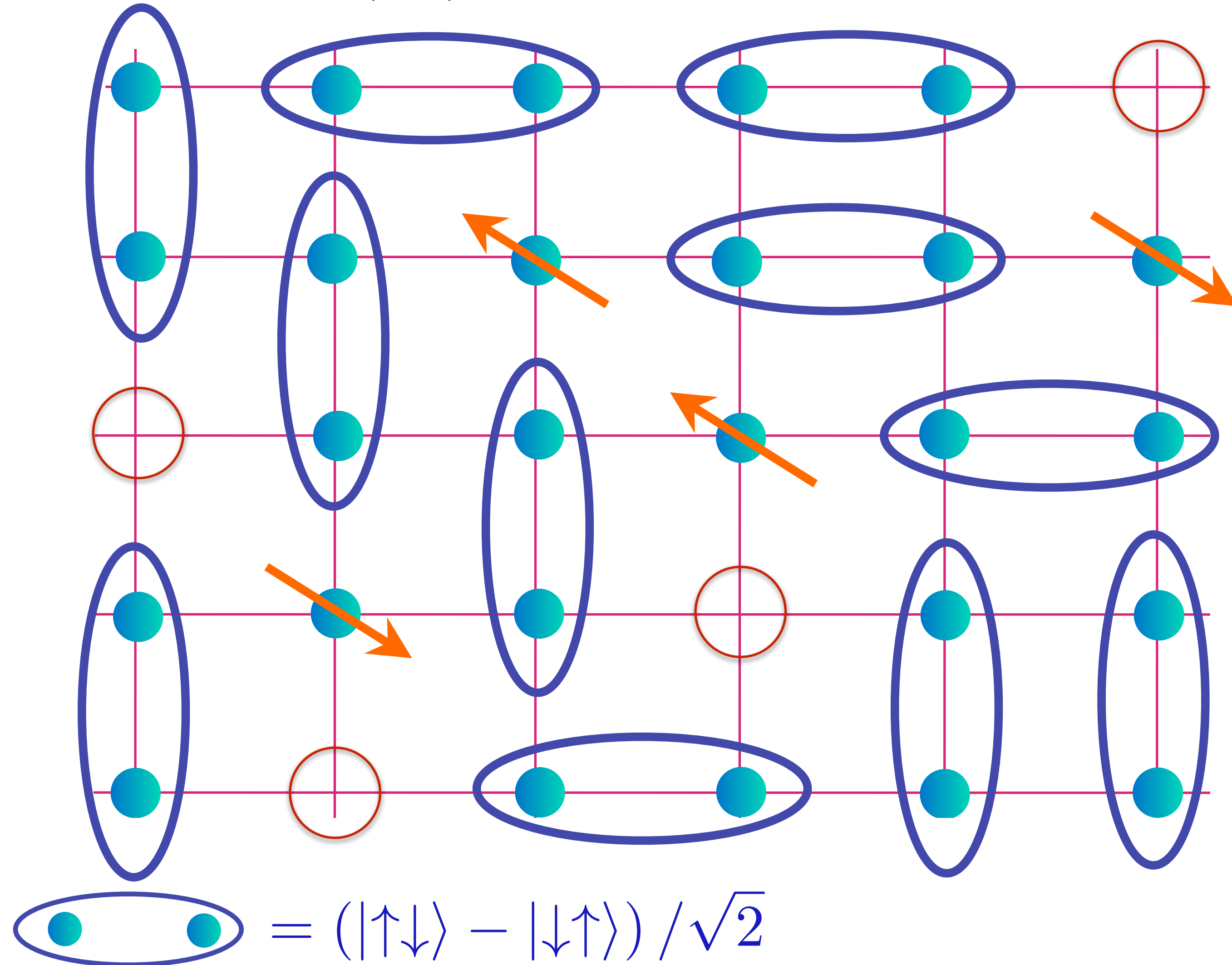
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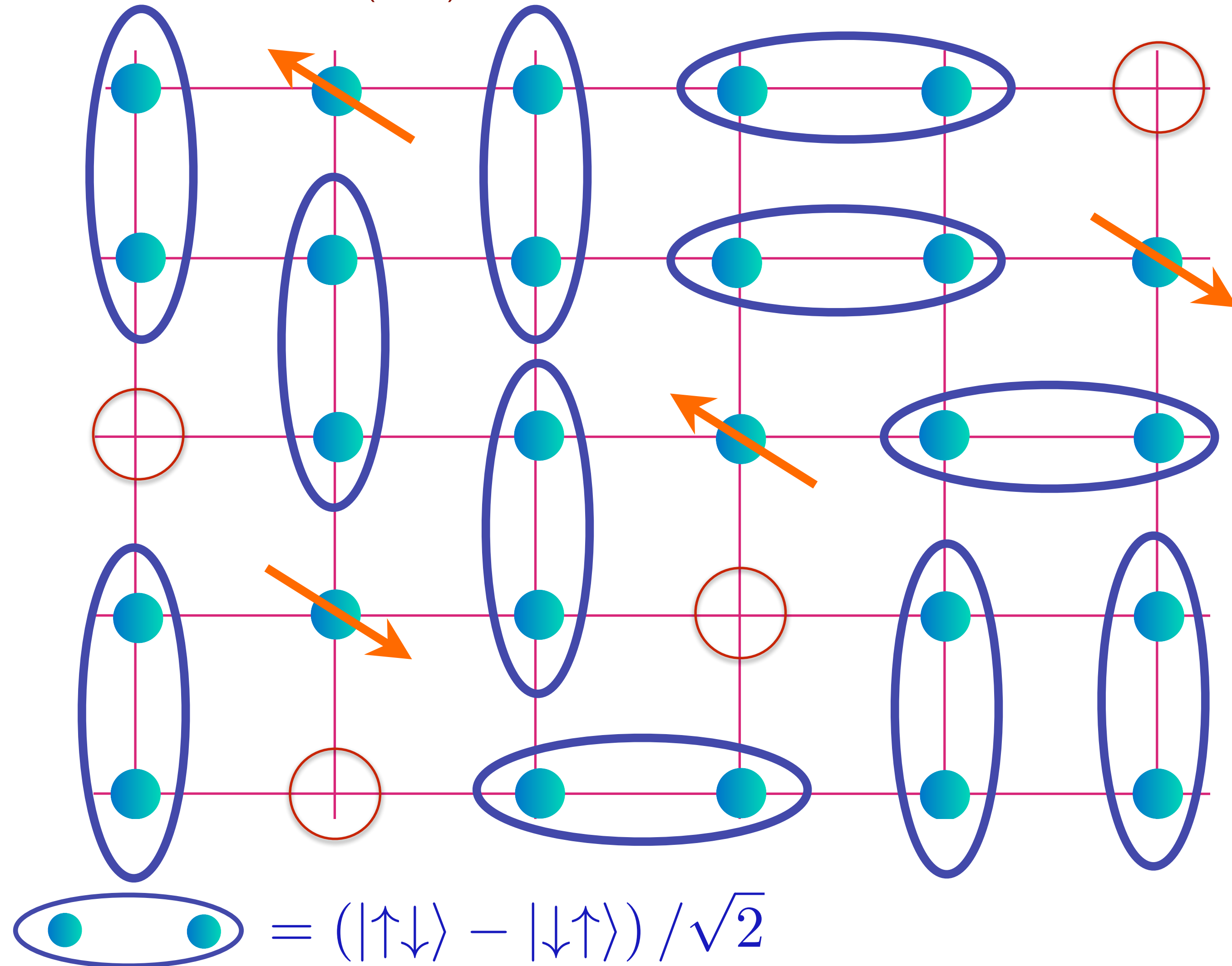
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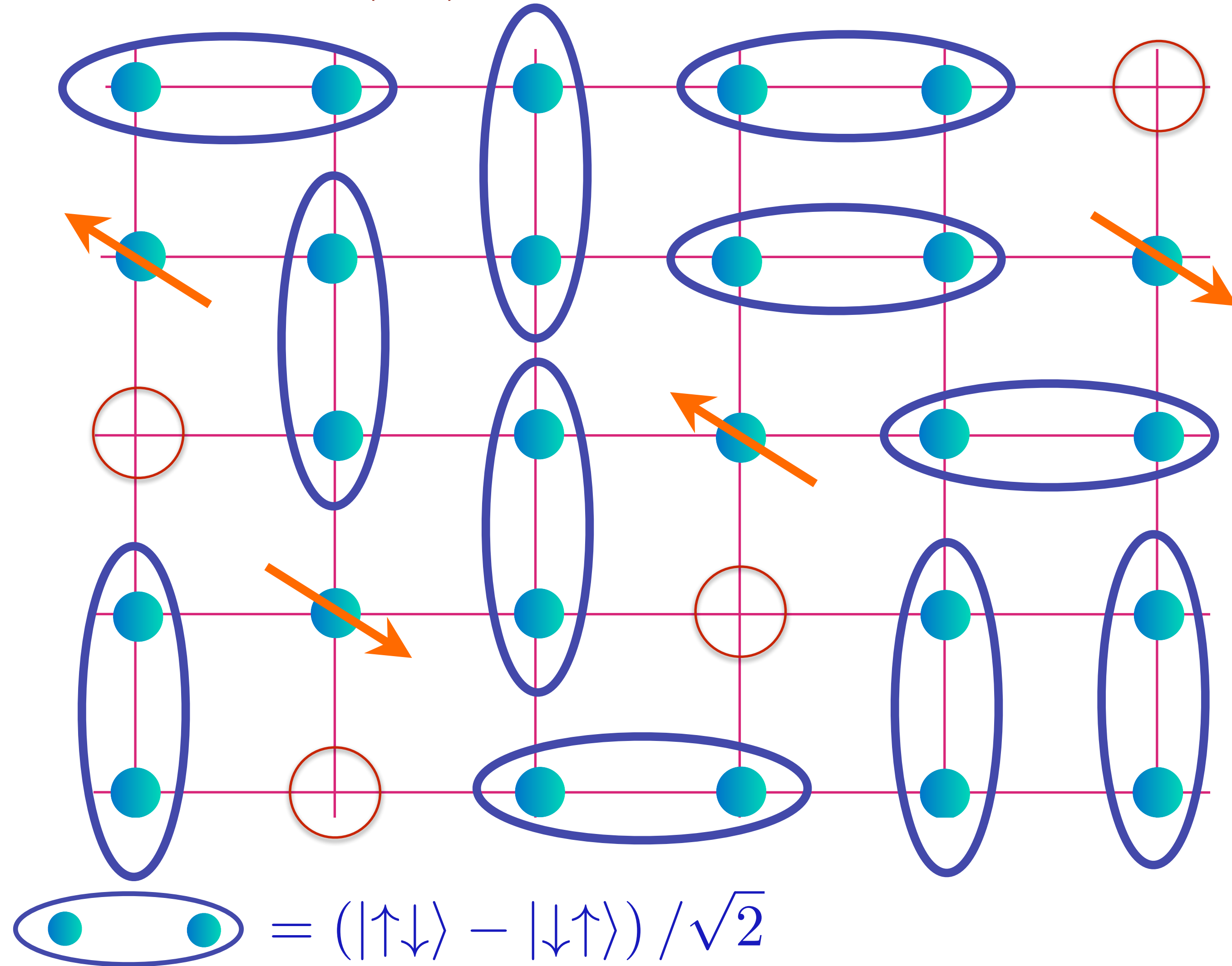
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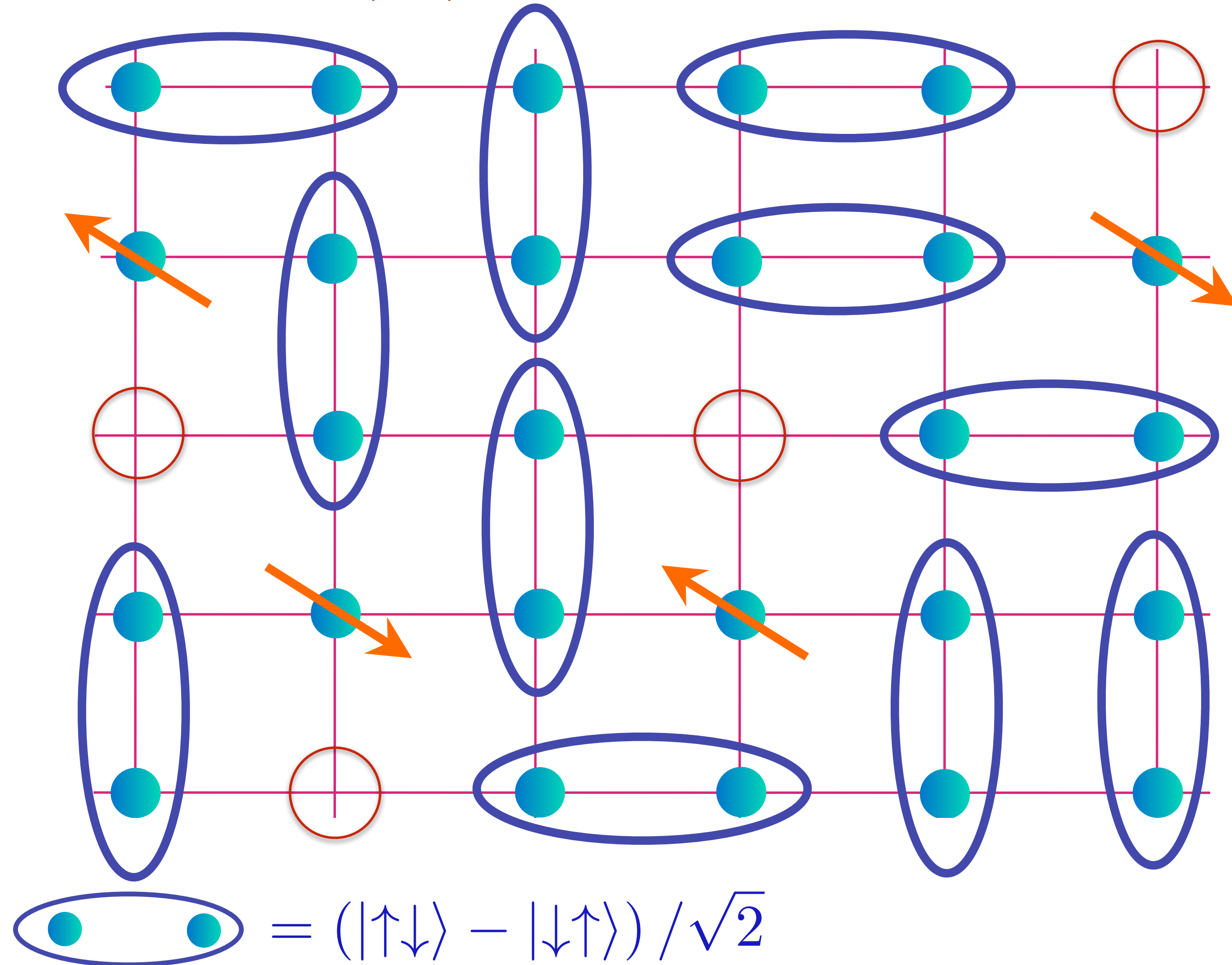
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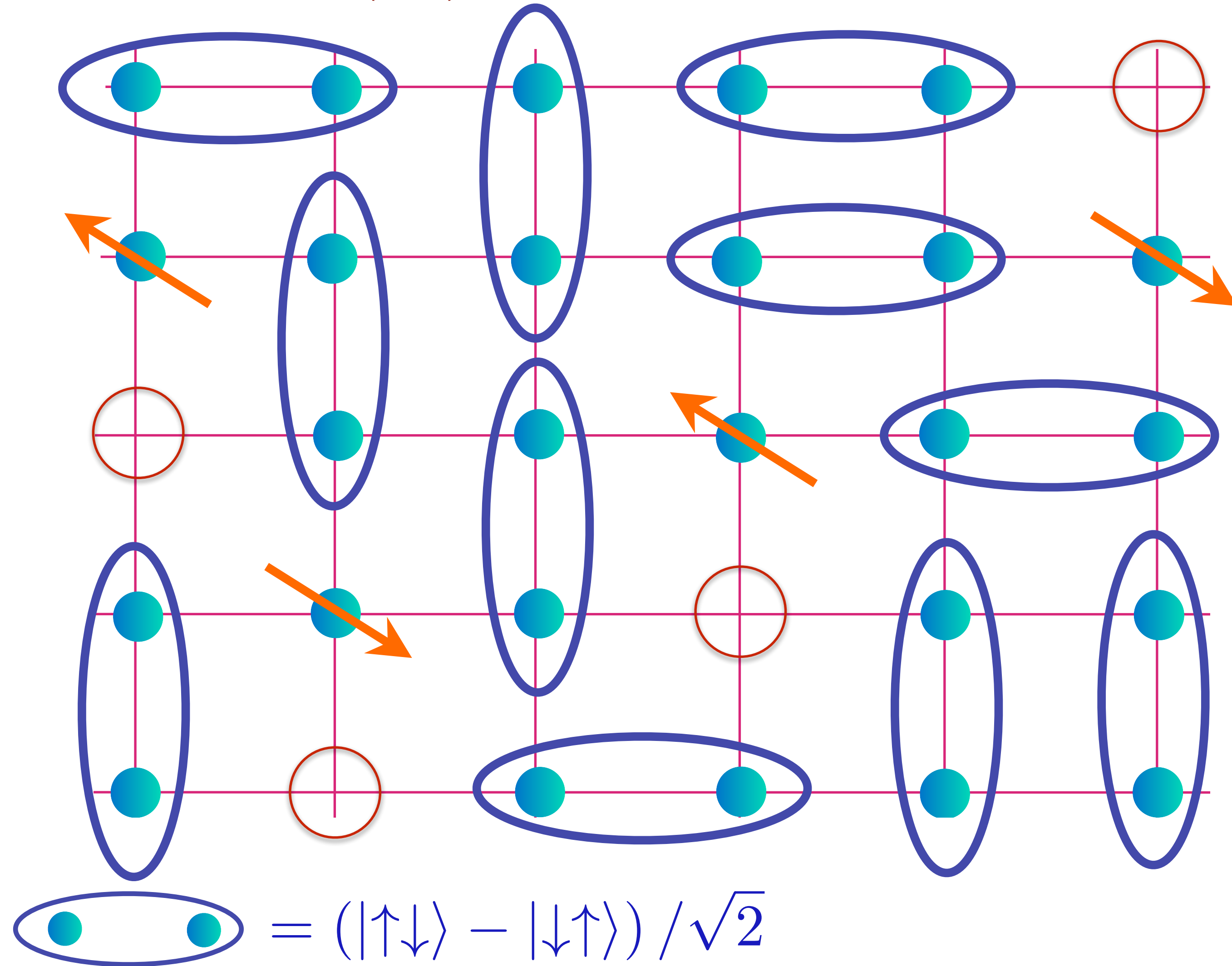
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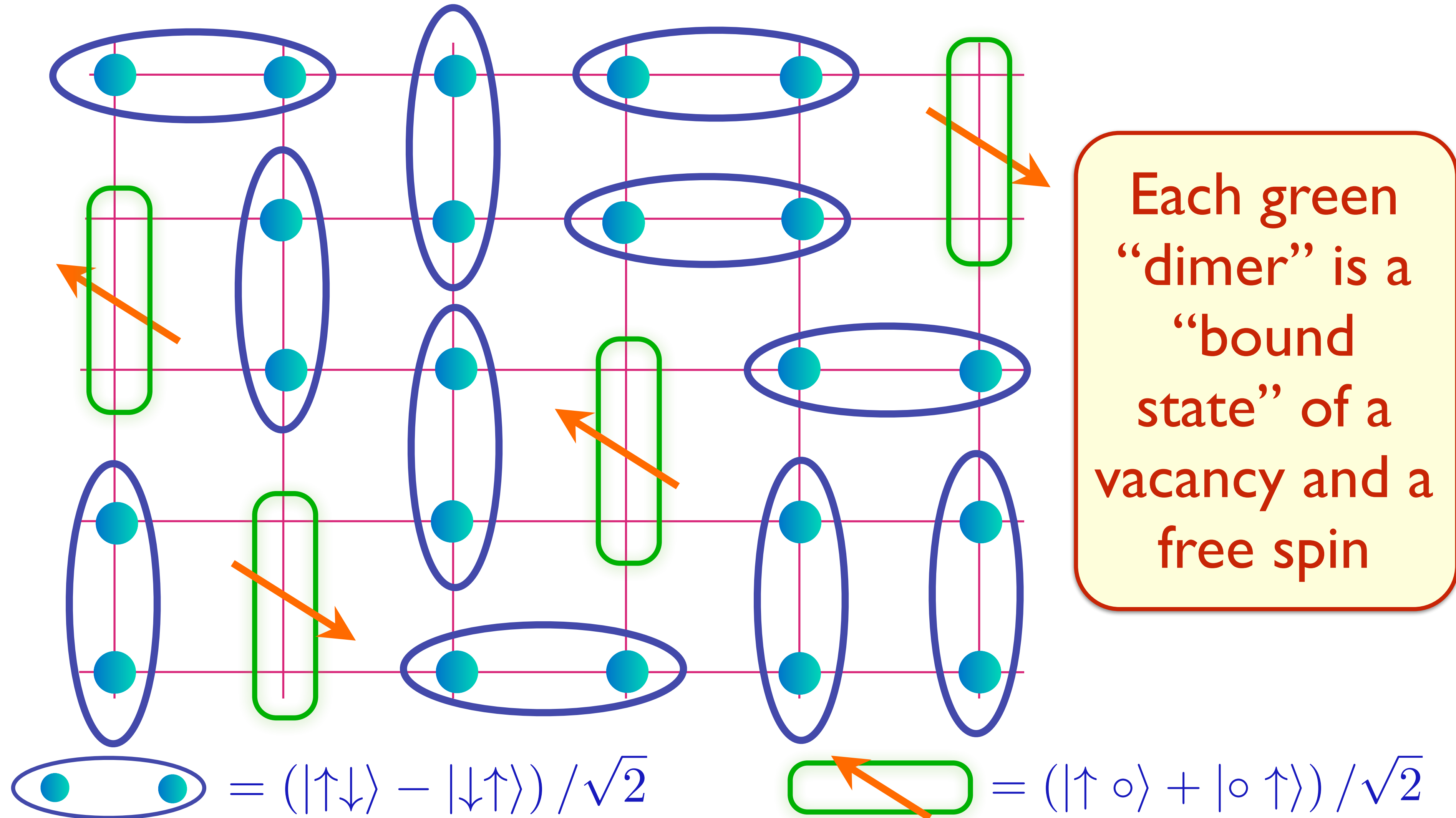


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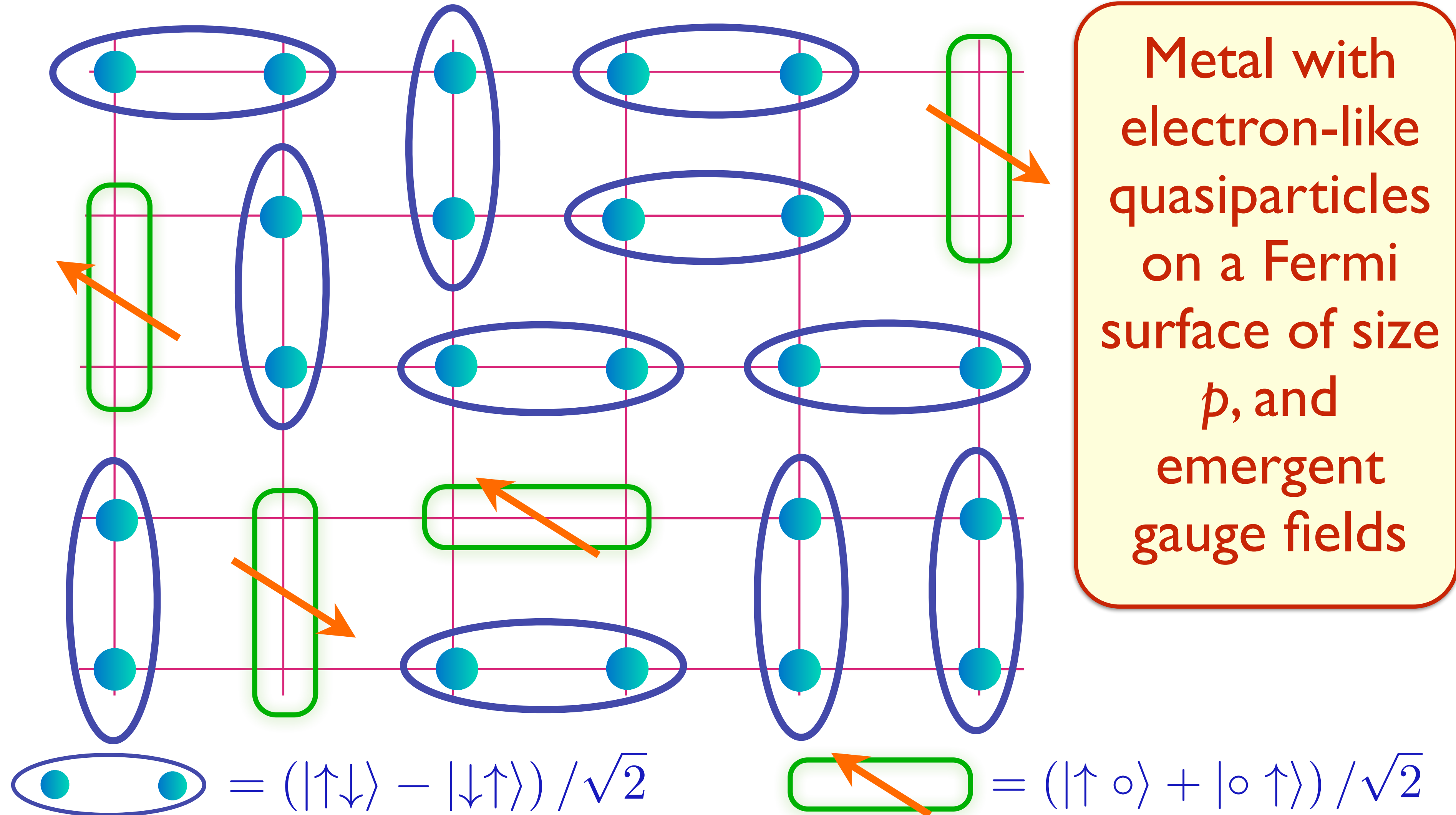
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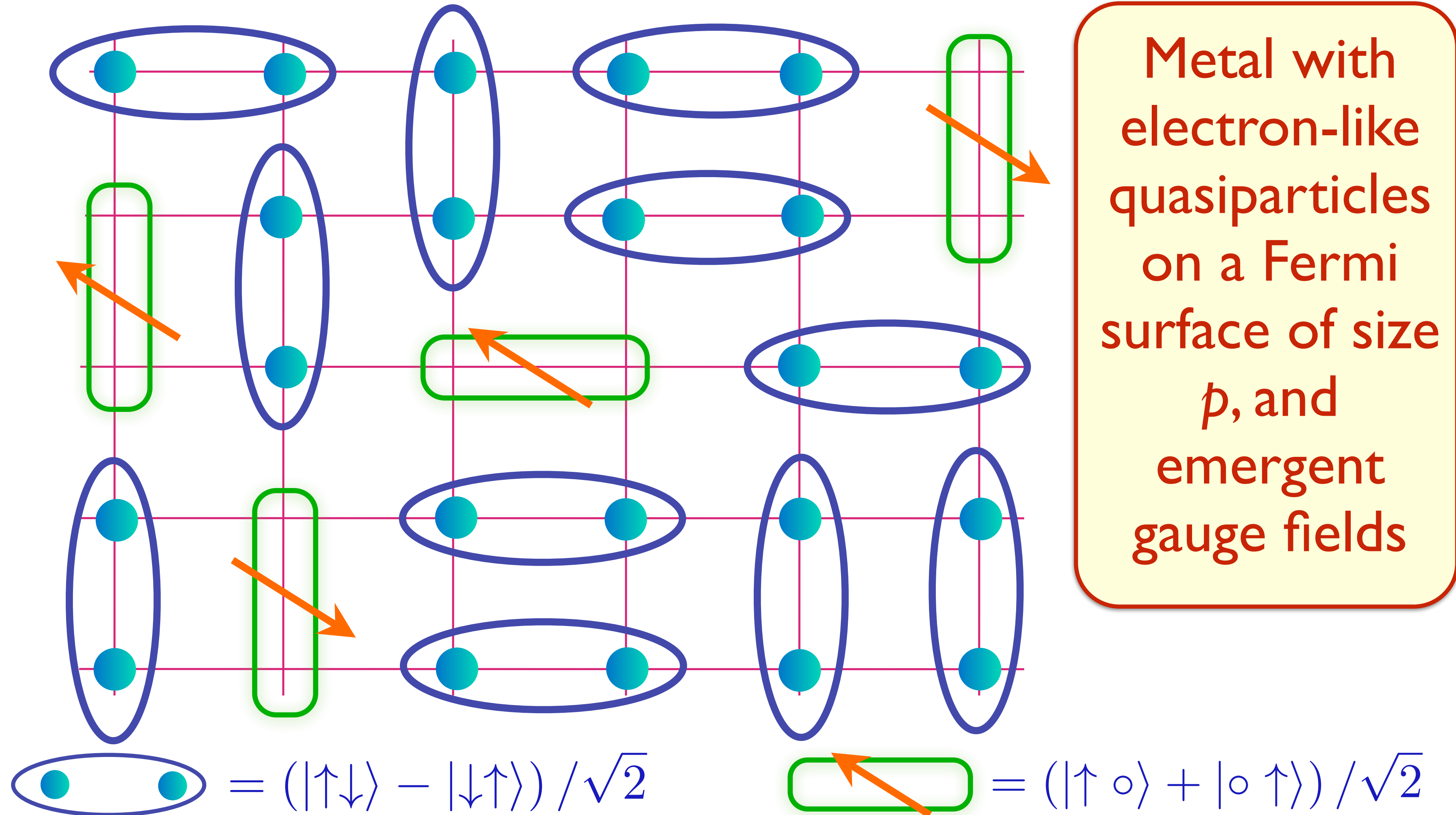


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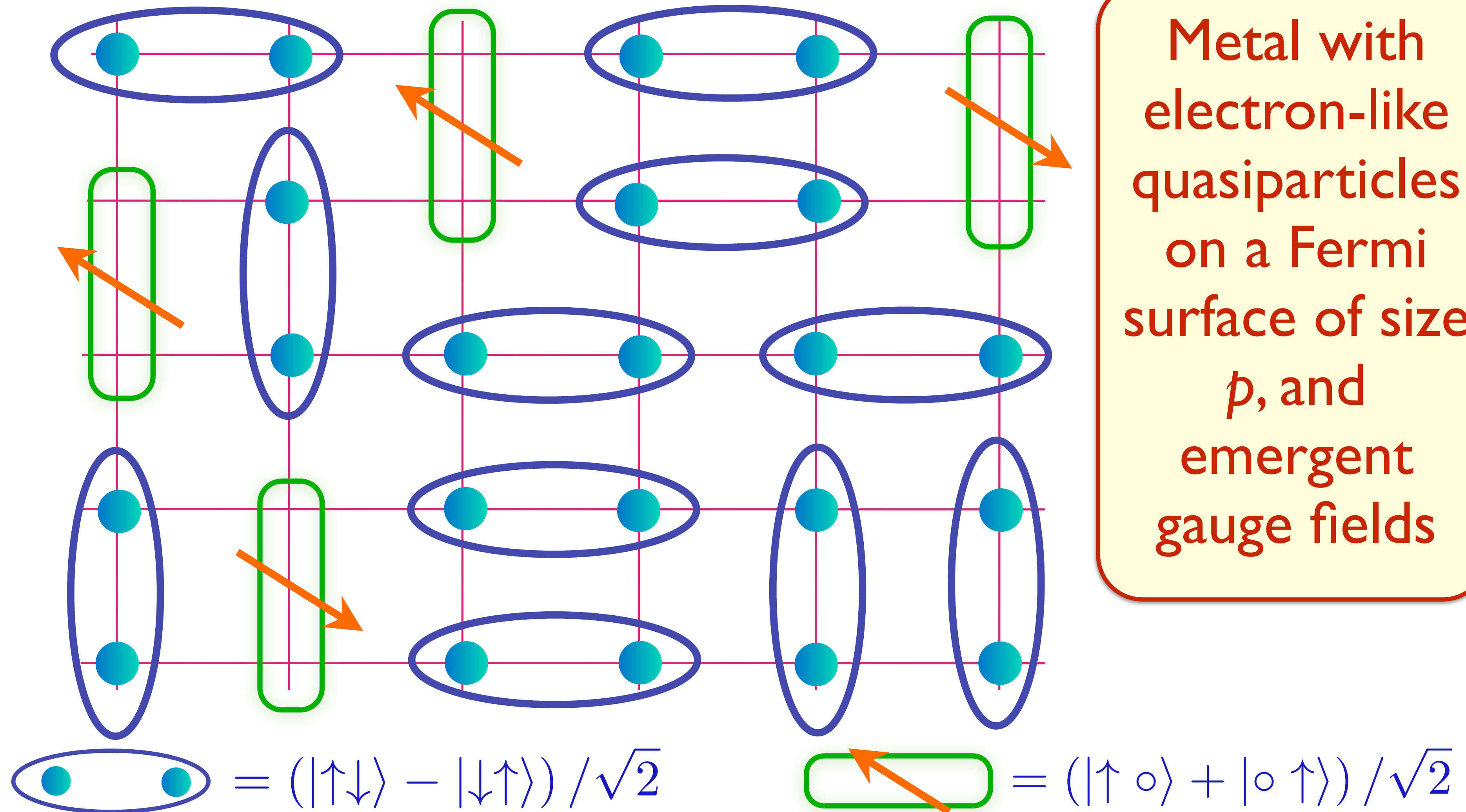
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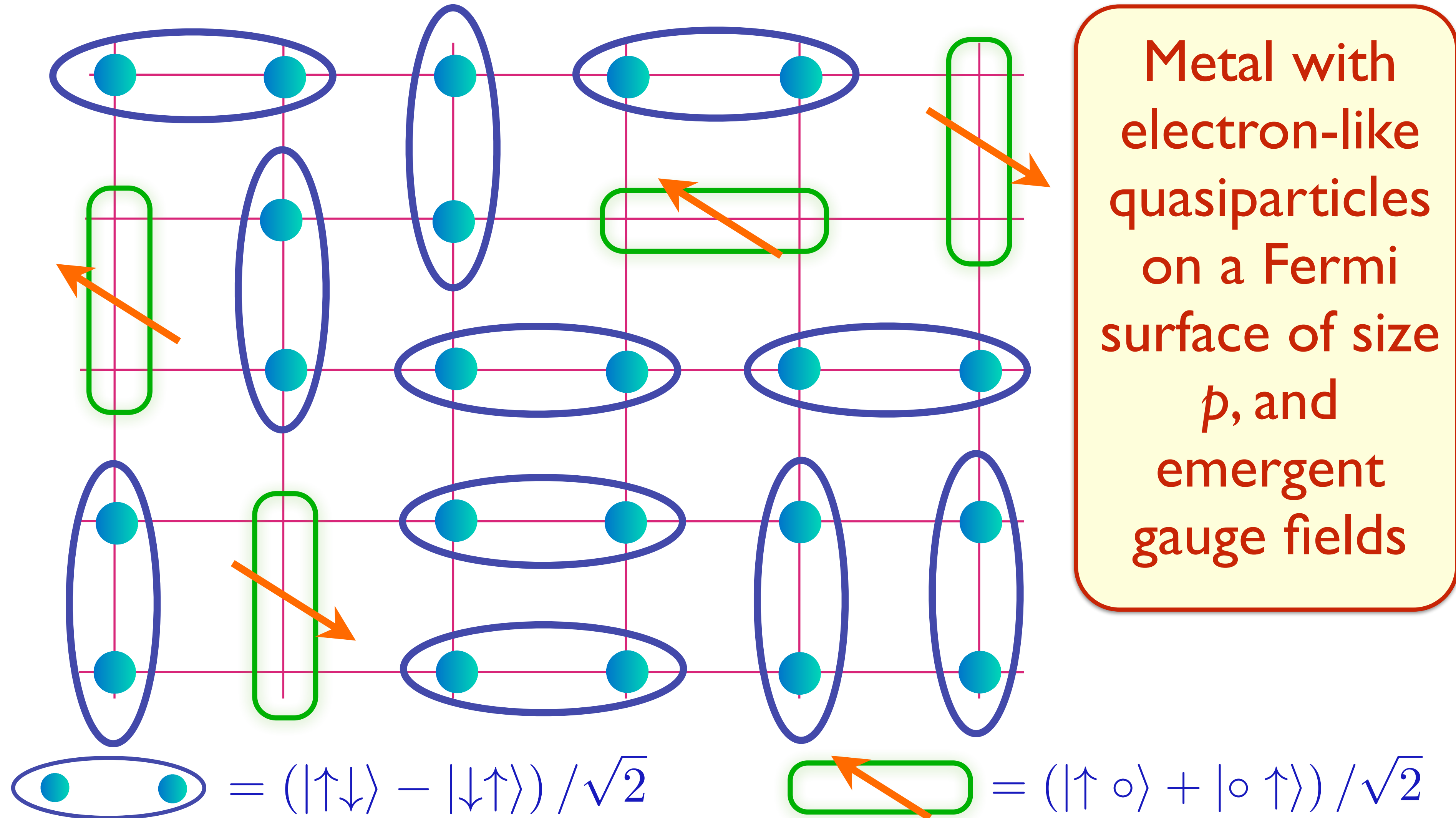


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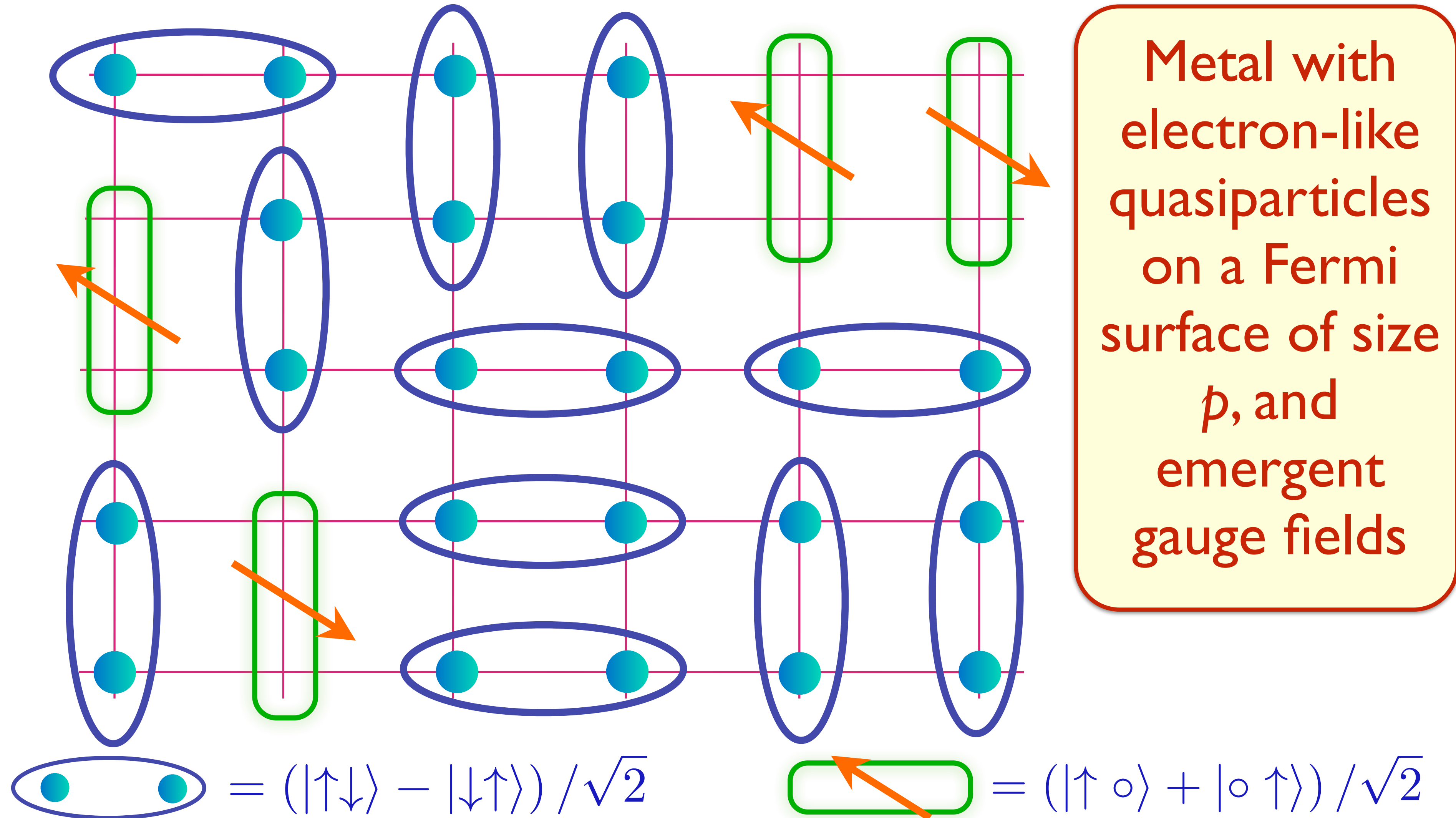


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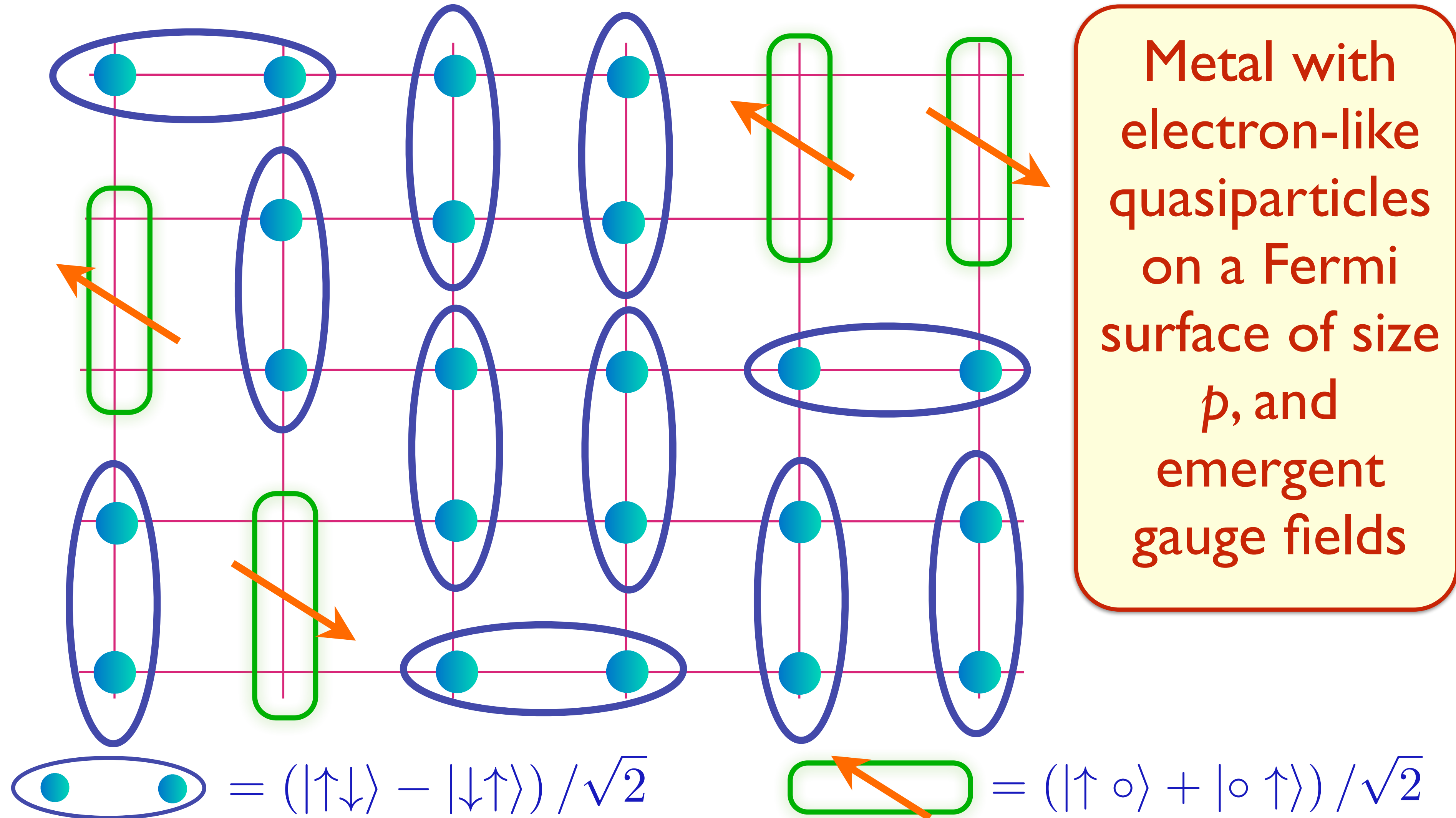


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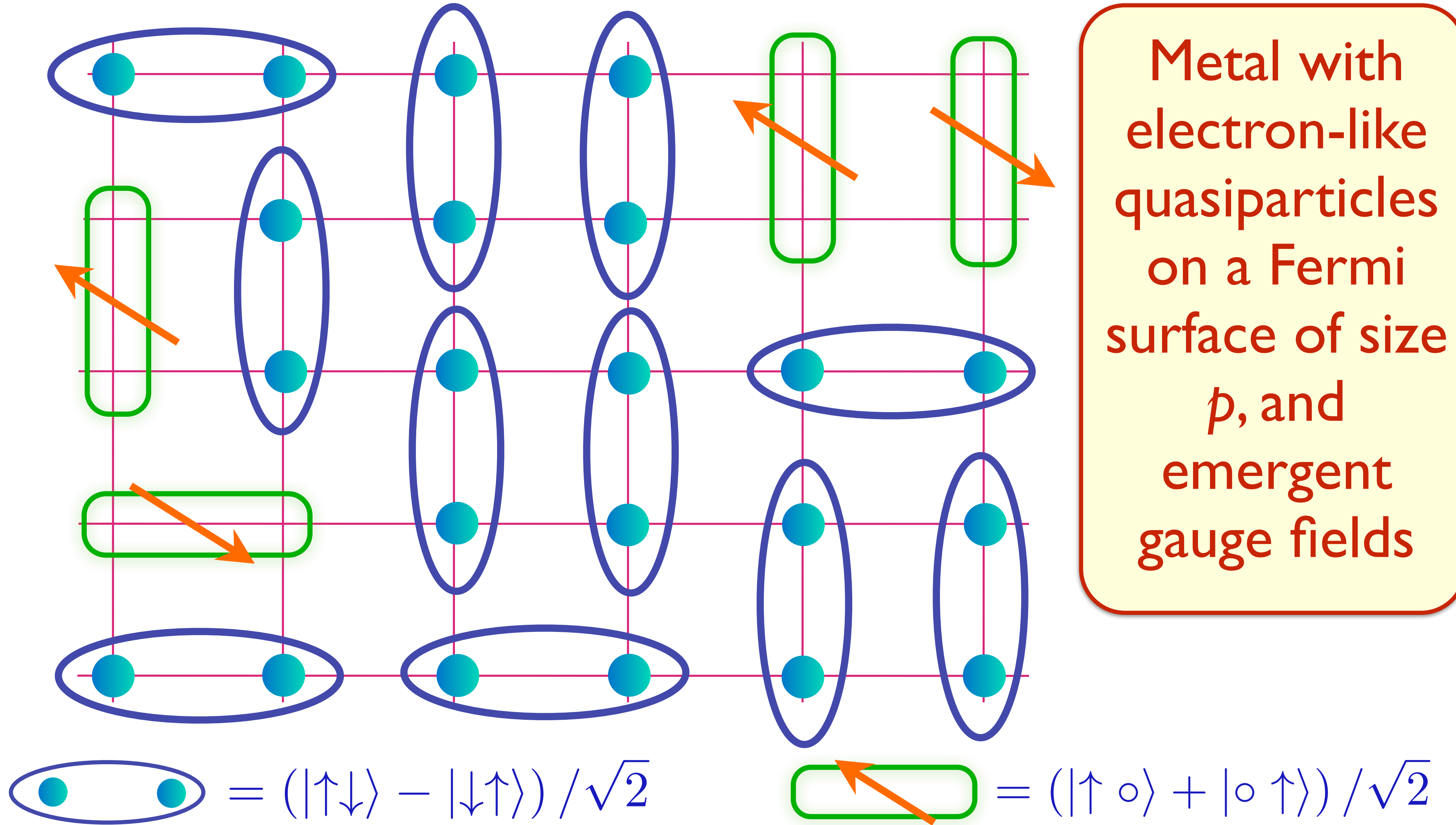


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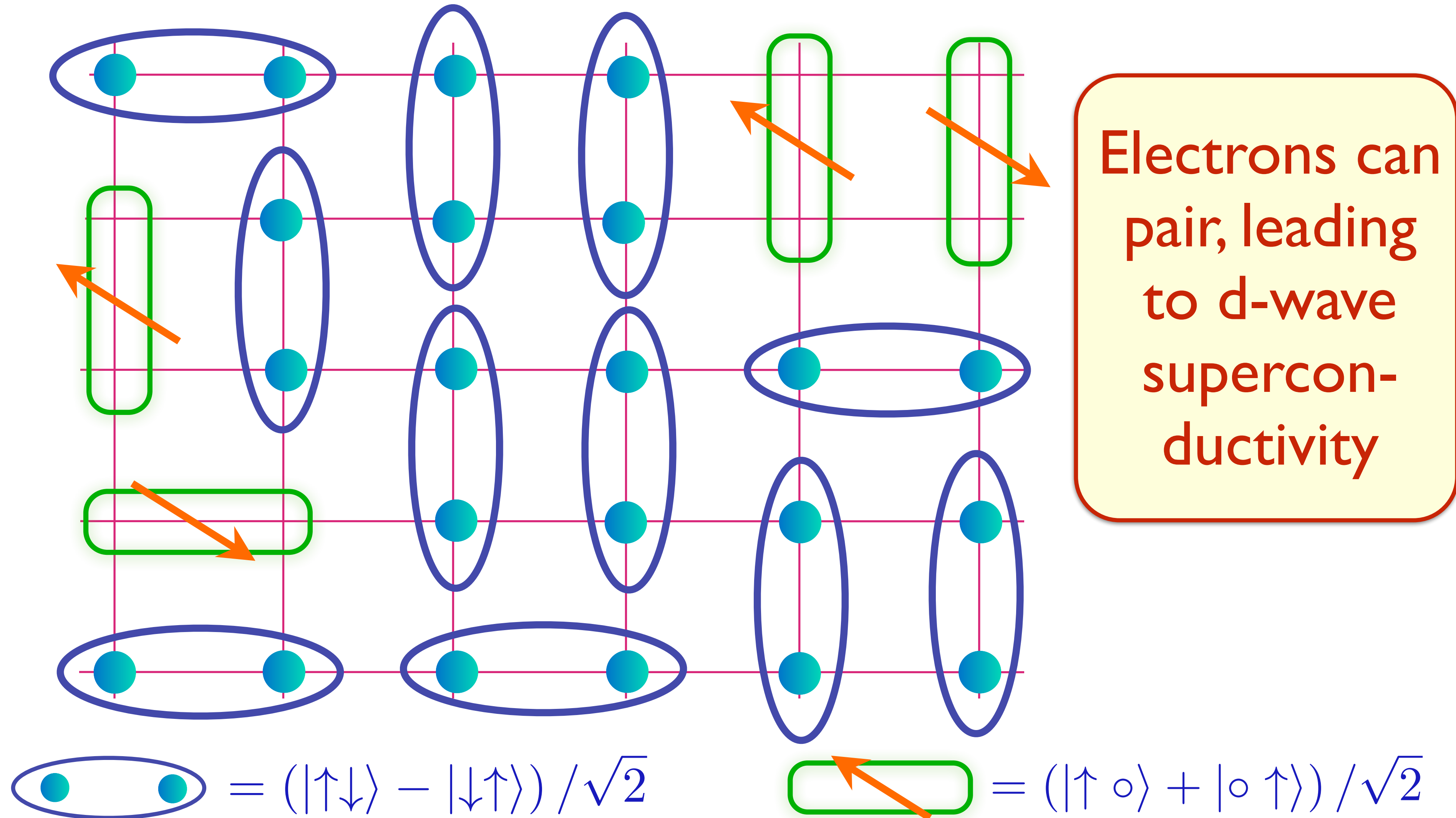


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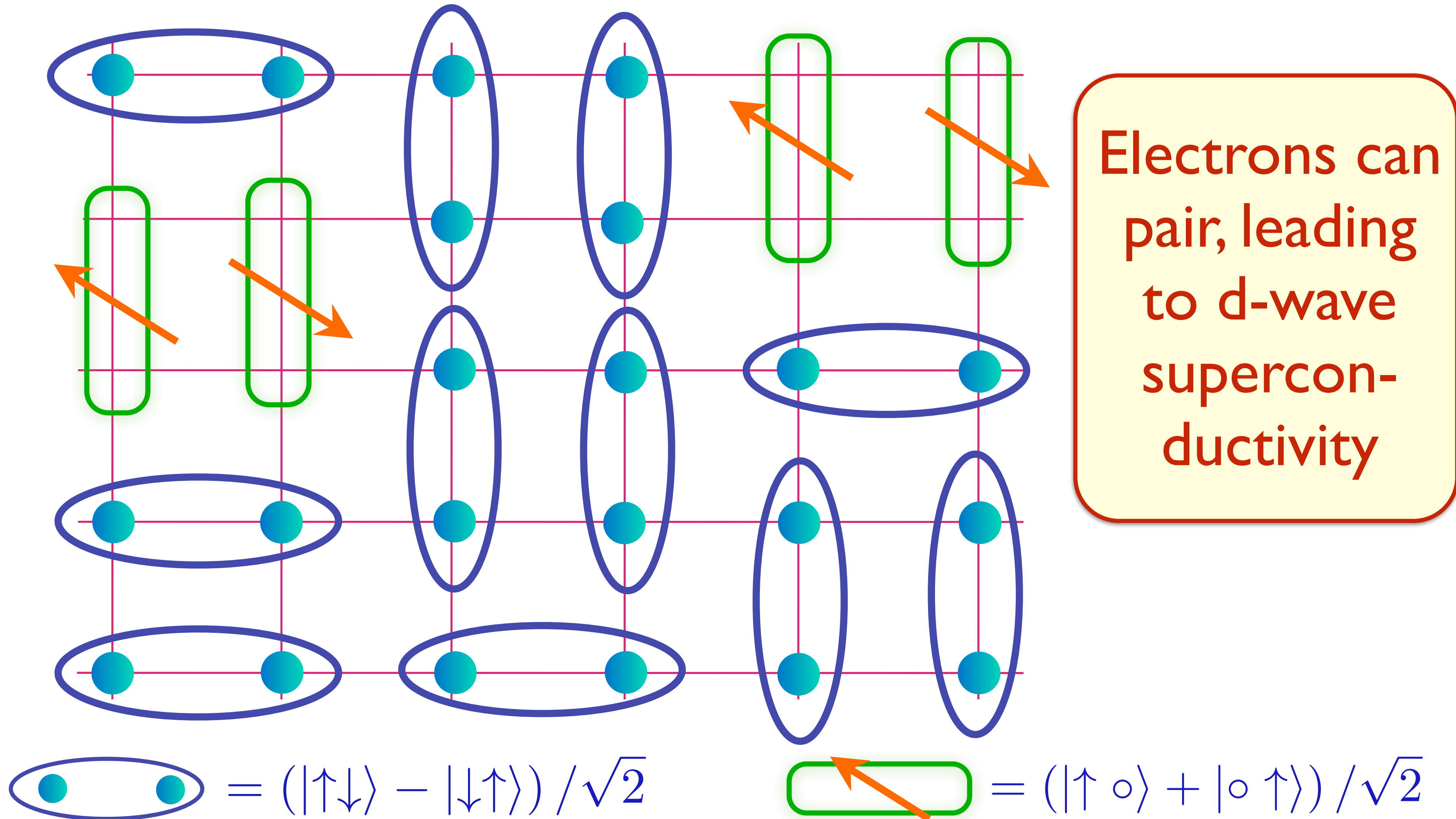


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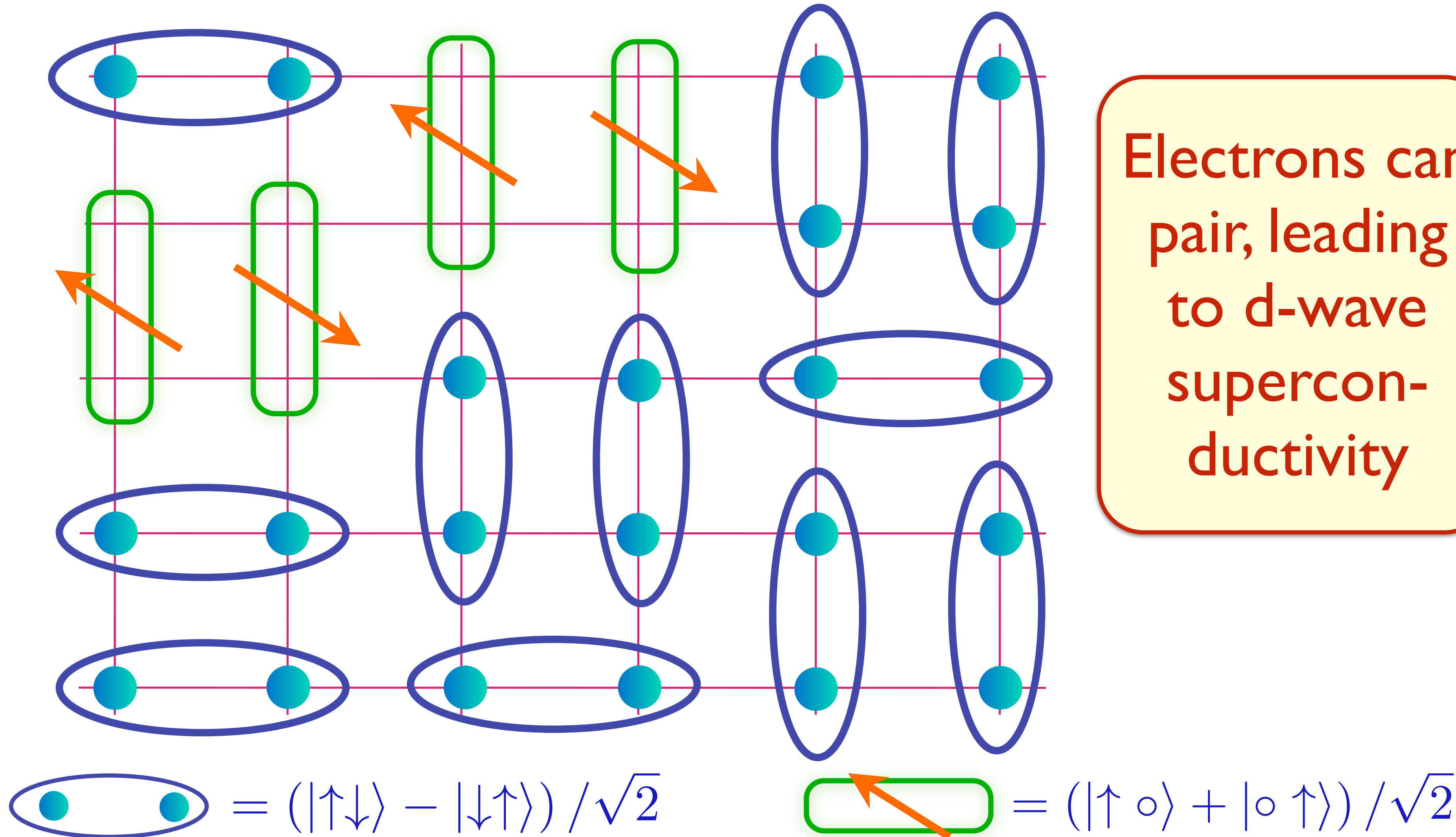


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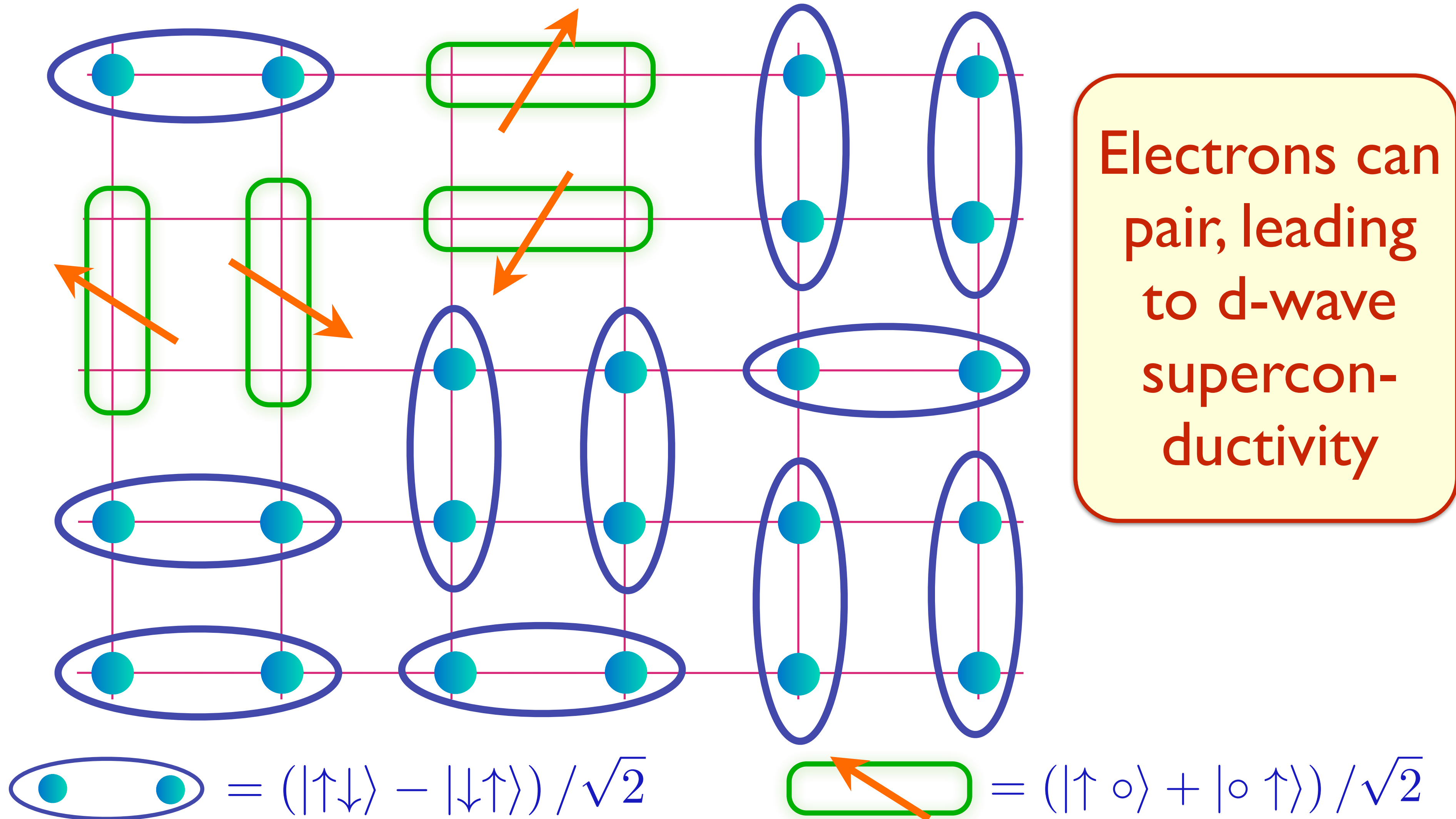


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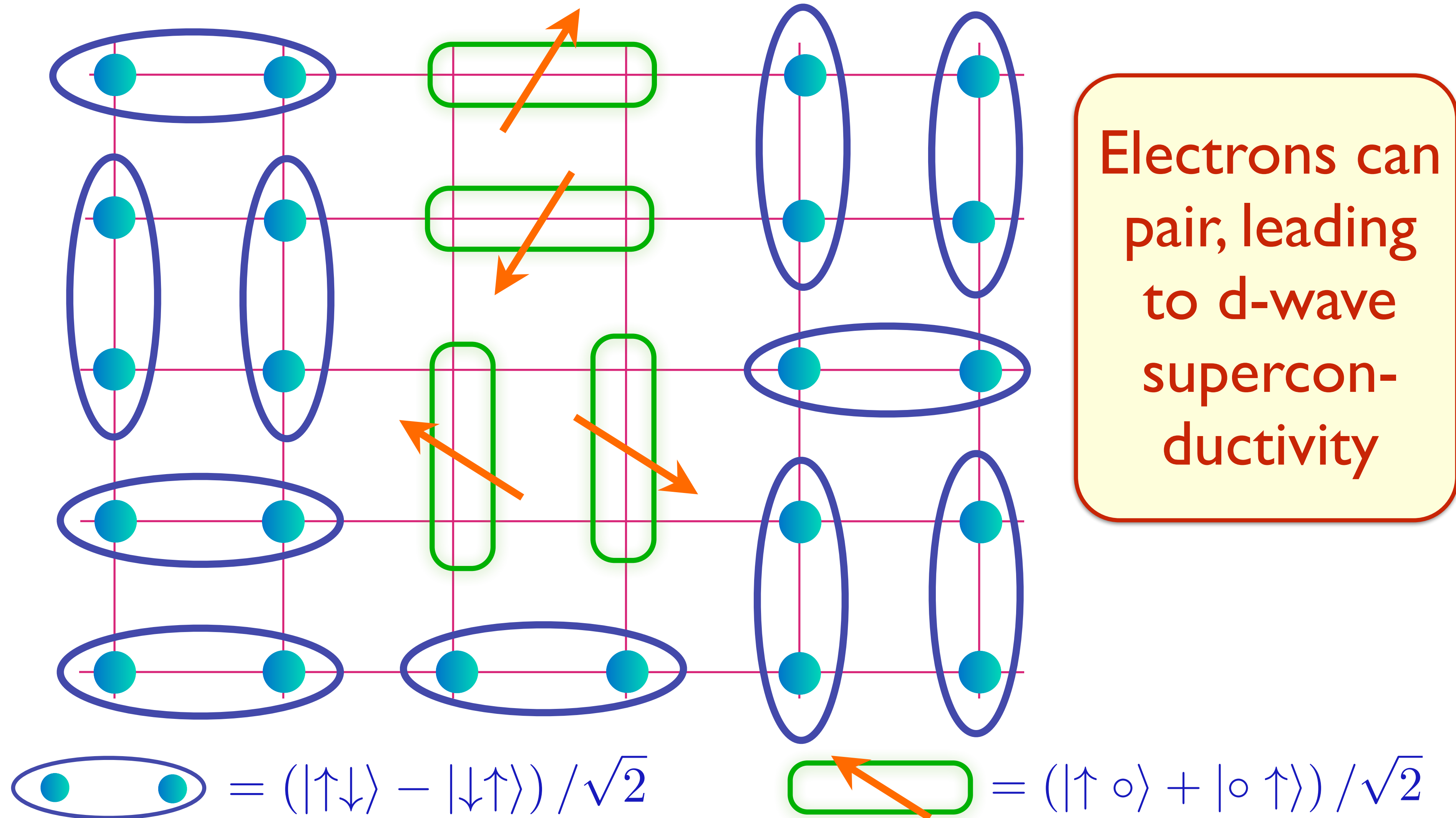


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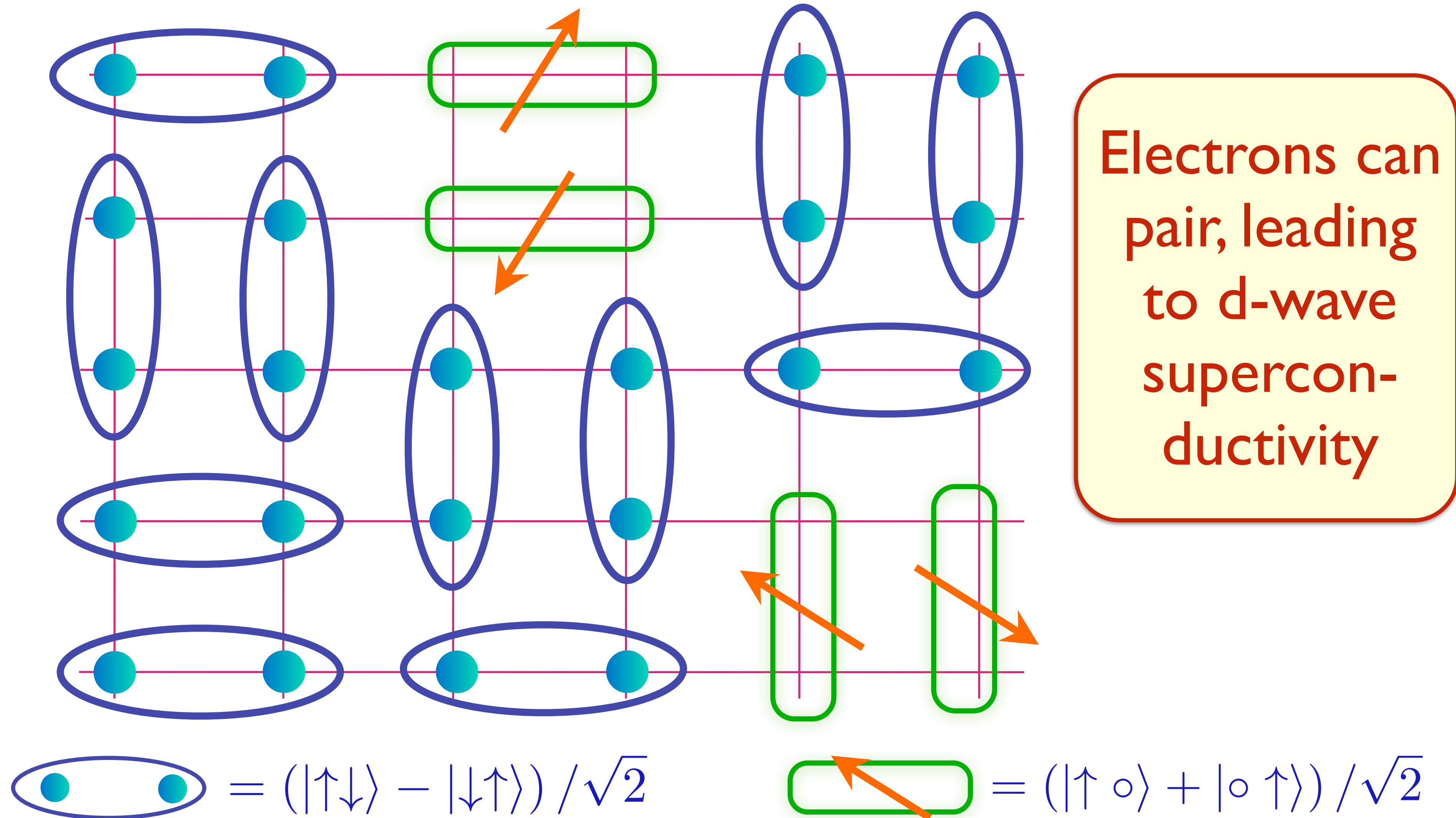


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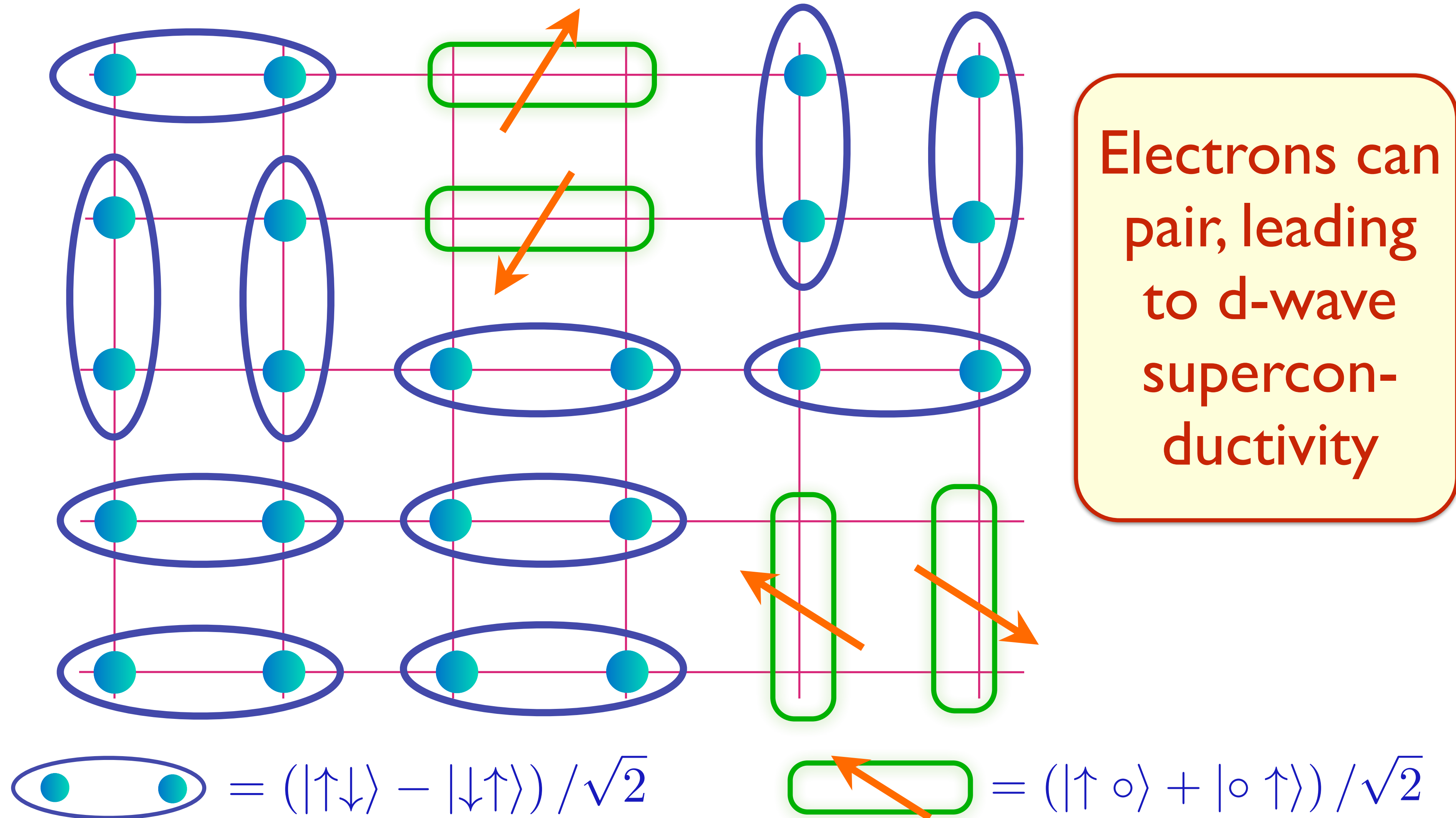


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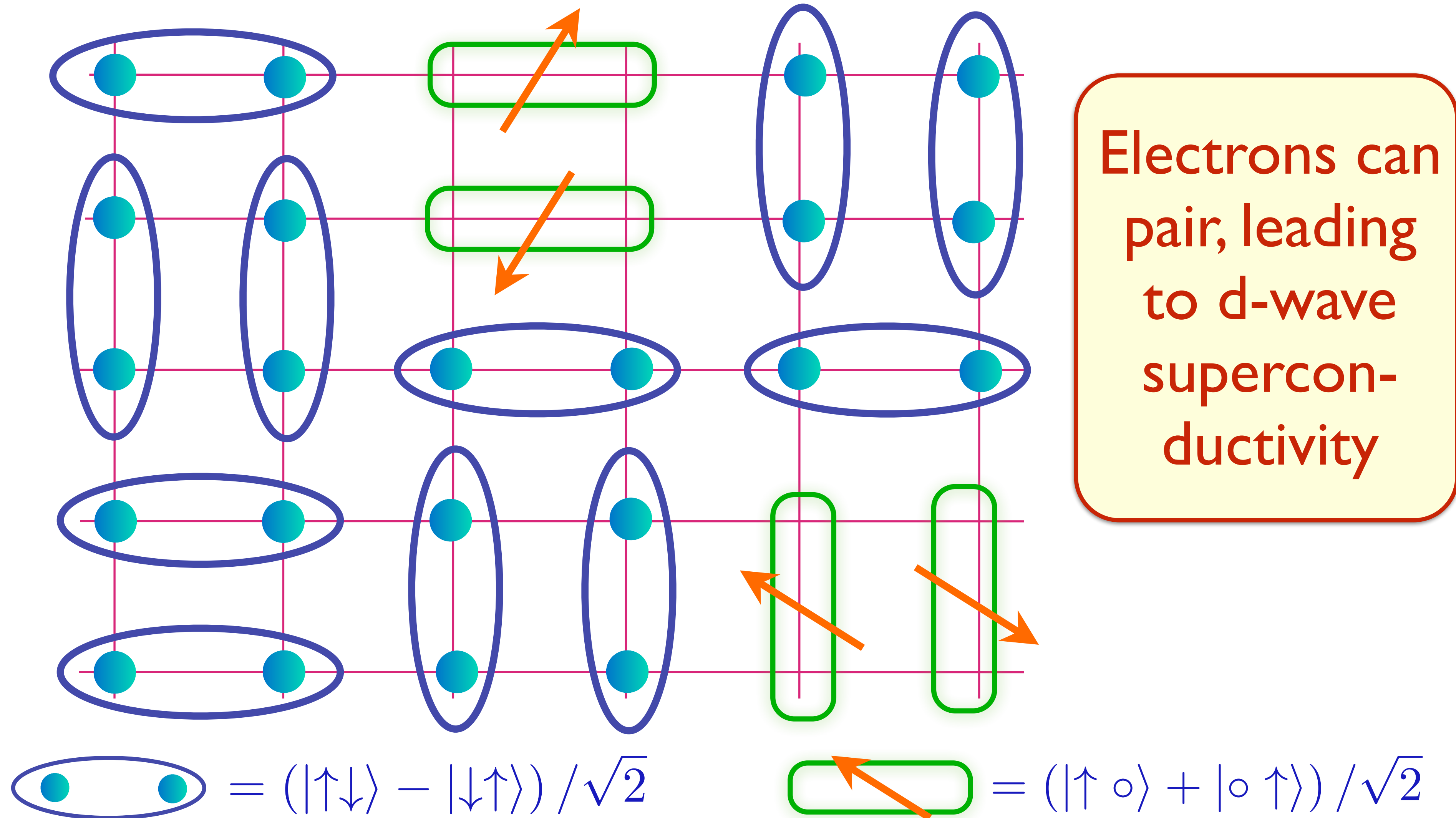


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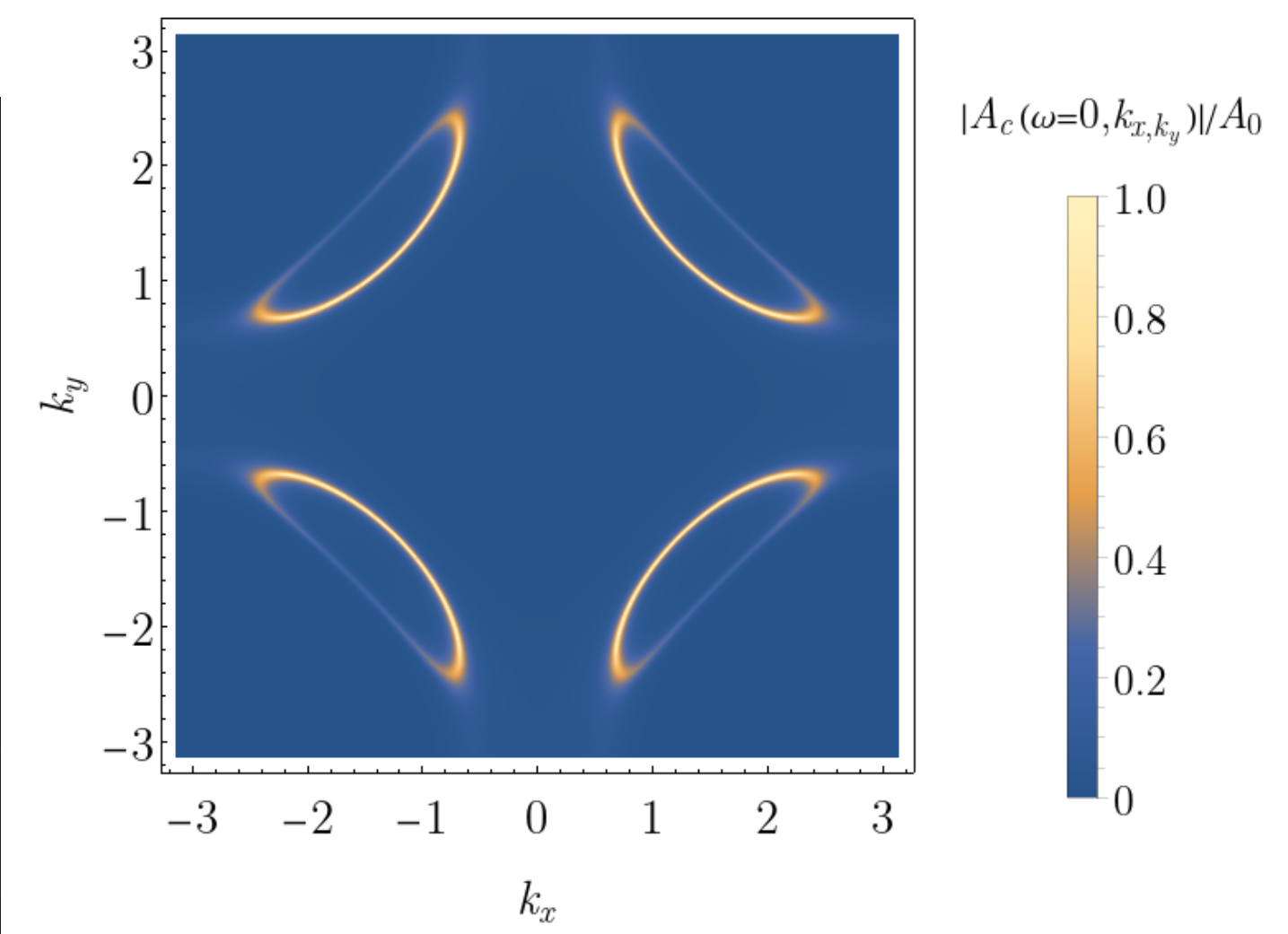
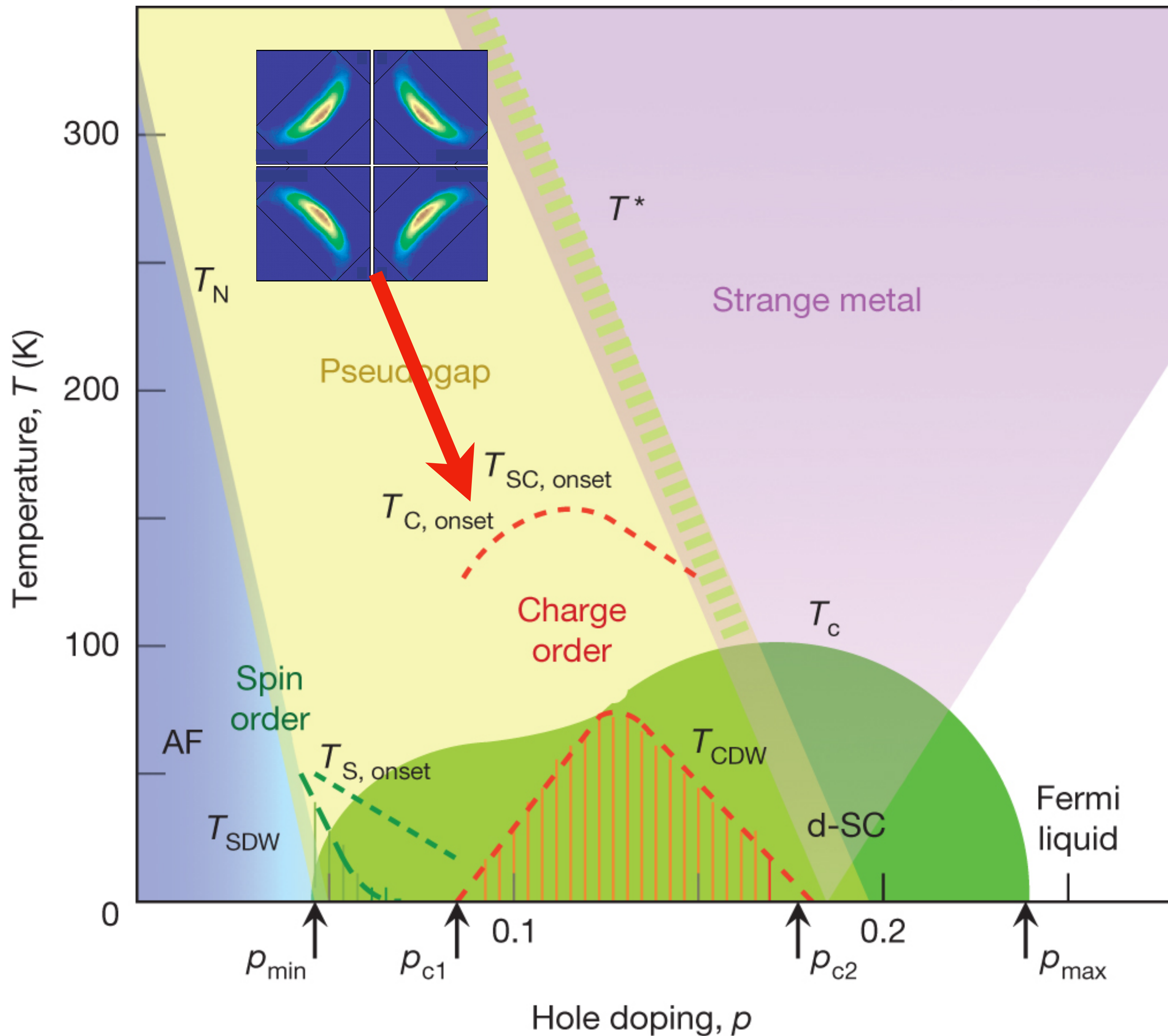
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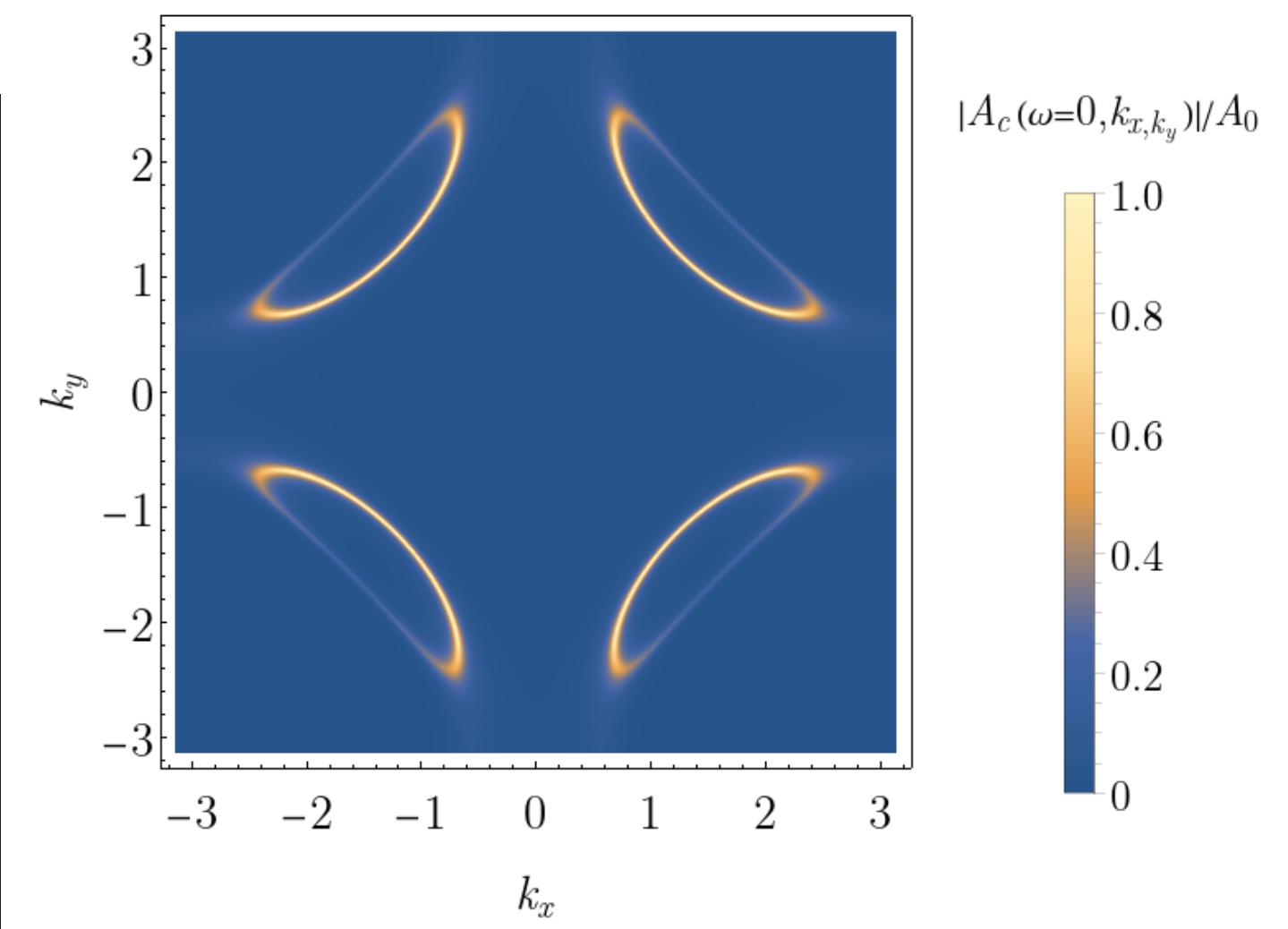
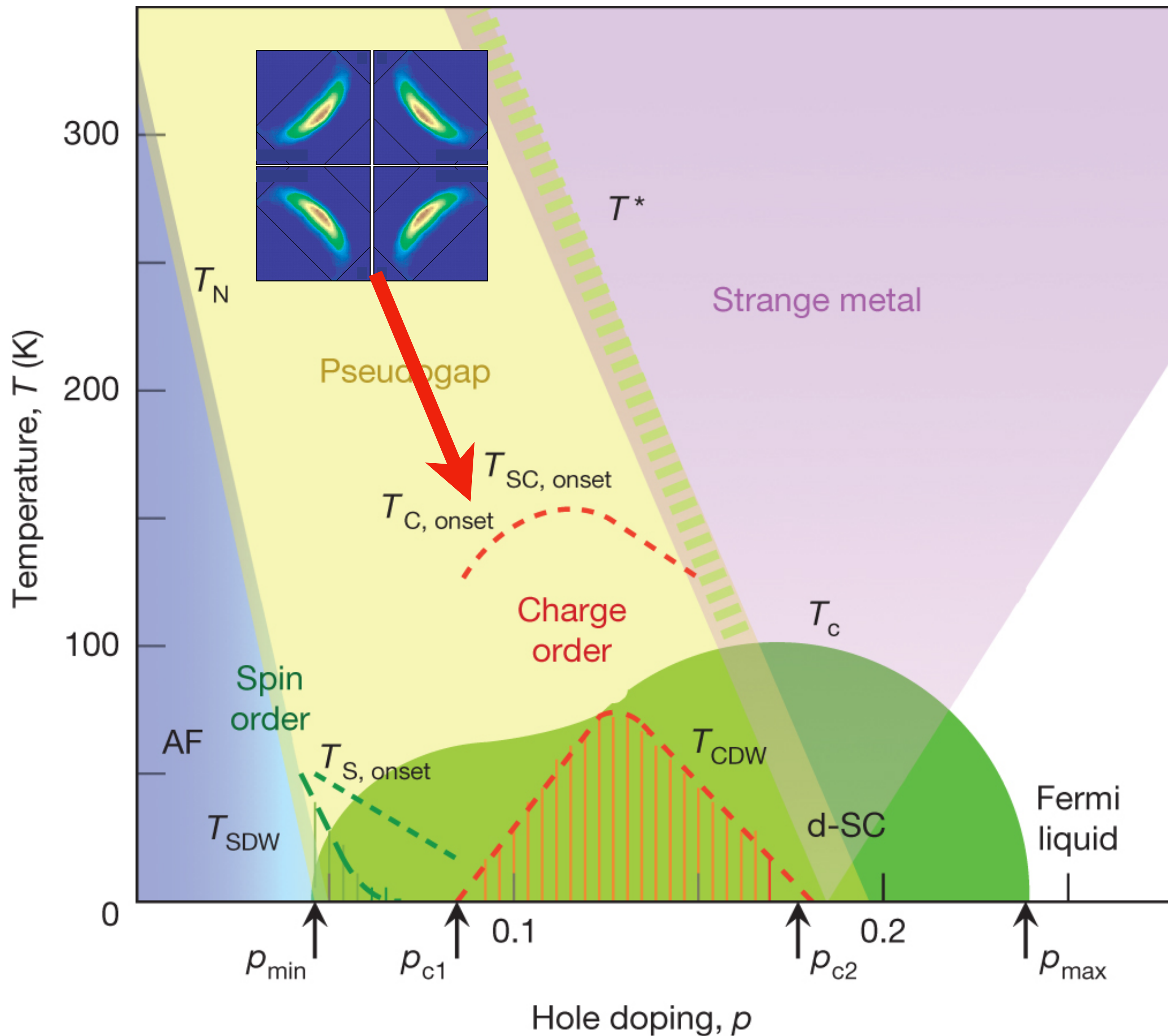
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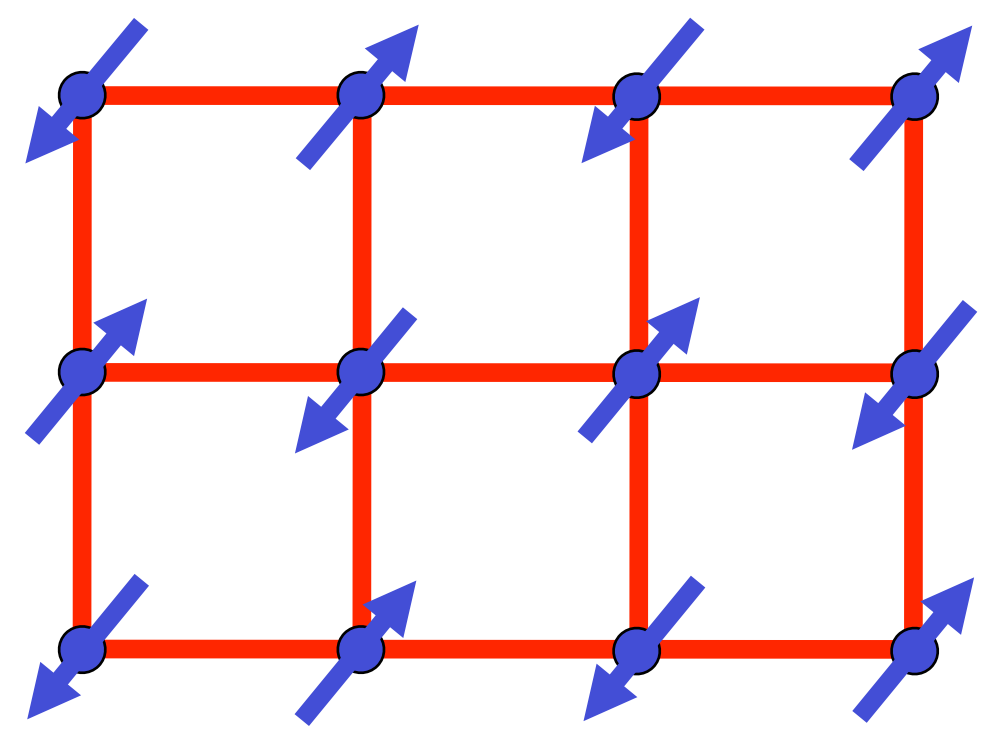
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But which spin liquid?

A spin liquid which is ultimately
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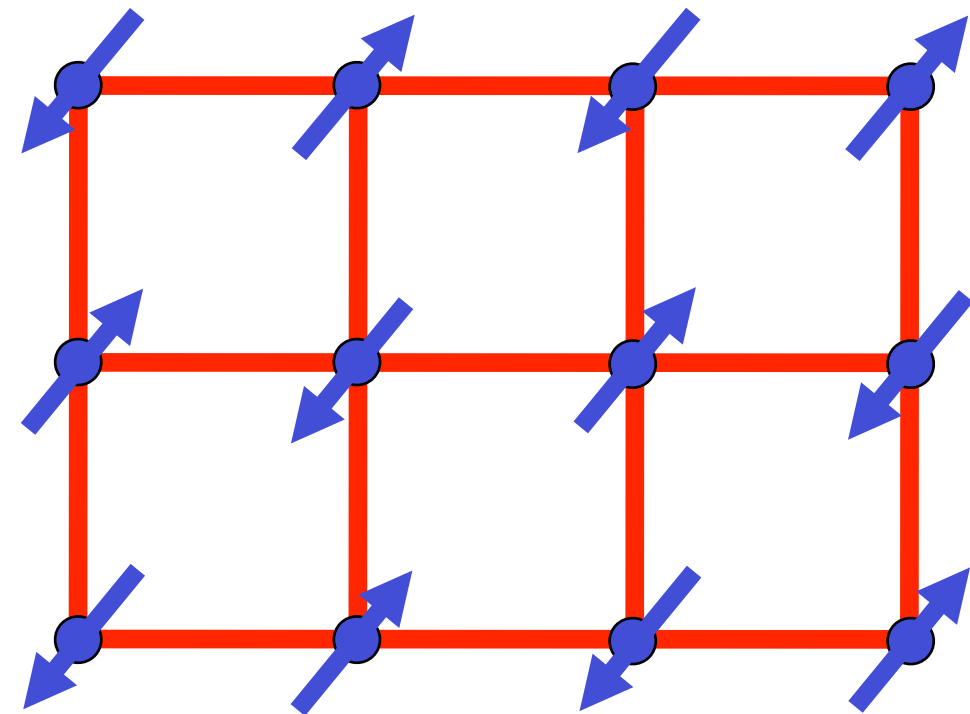
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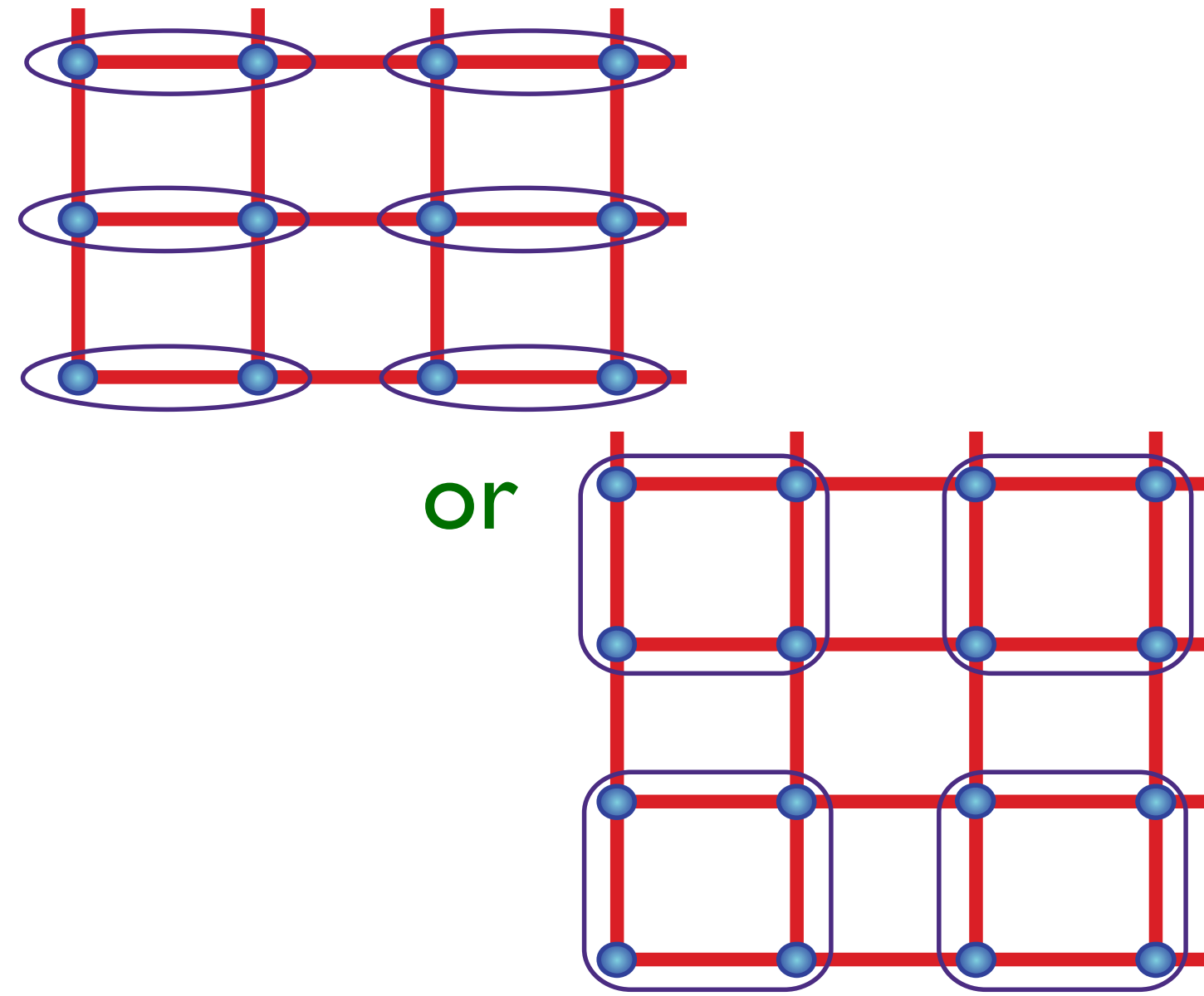
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$$\mathcal{L} = |(\partial_\mu - ia_\mu)z_\alpha|^2 + s|z_\alpha|^2 + u|z_\alpha|^4 + \mathcal{L}_{\text{monopole}}$$

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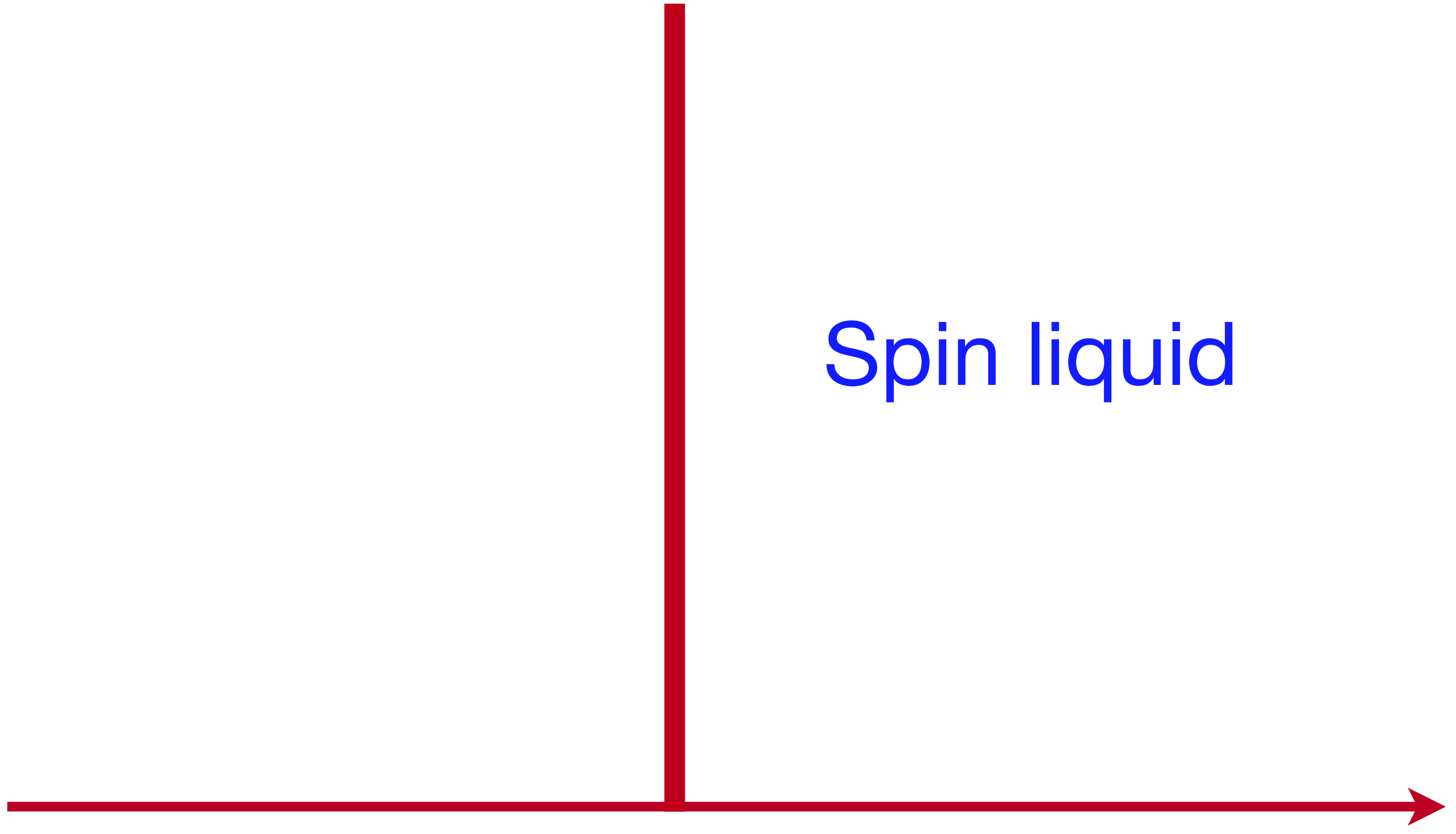
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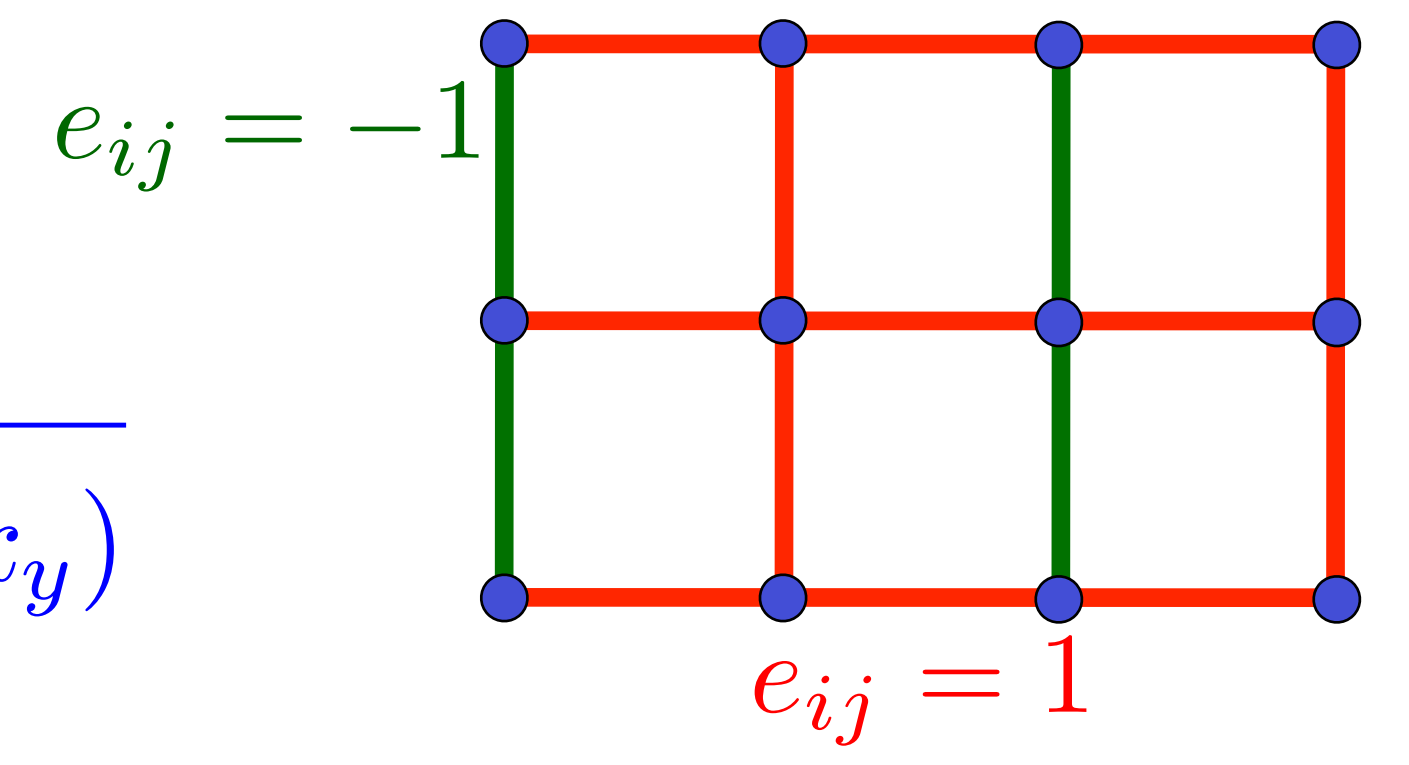
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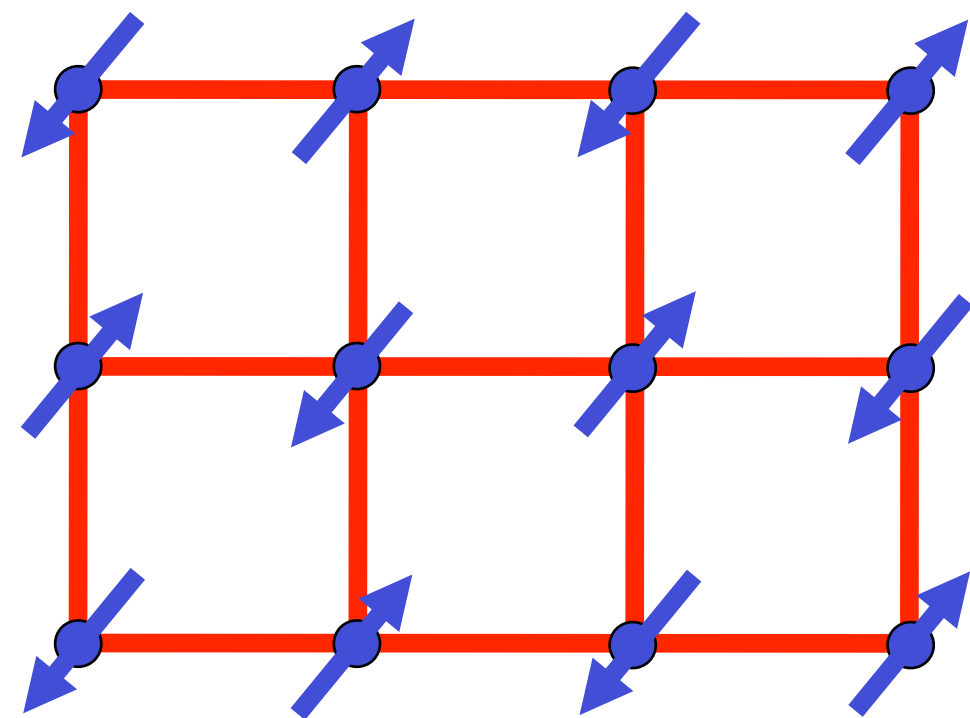
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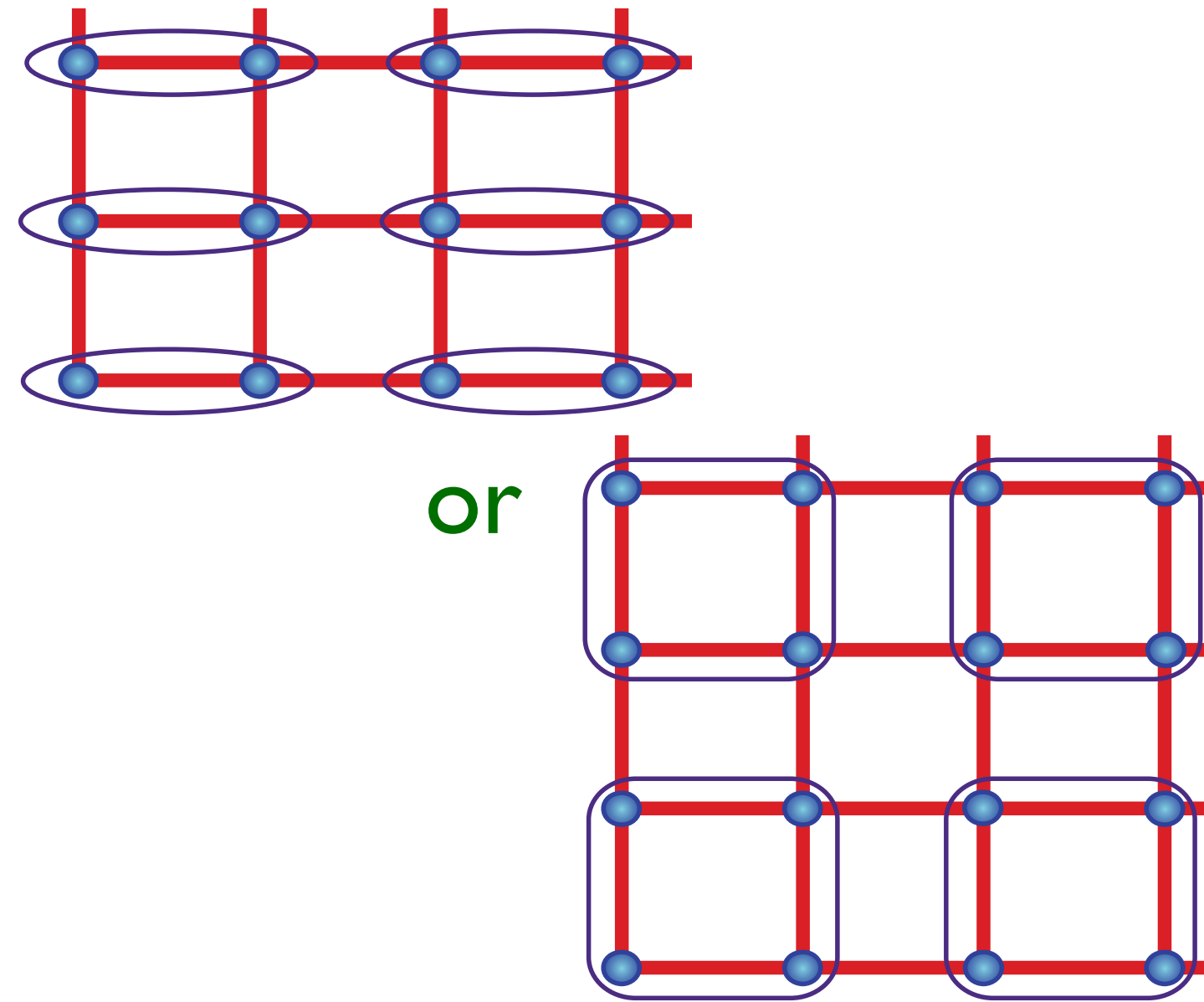
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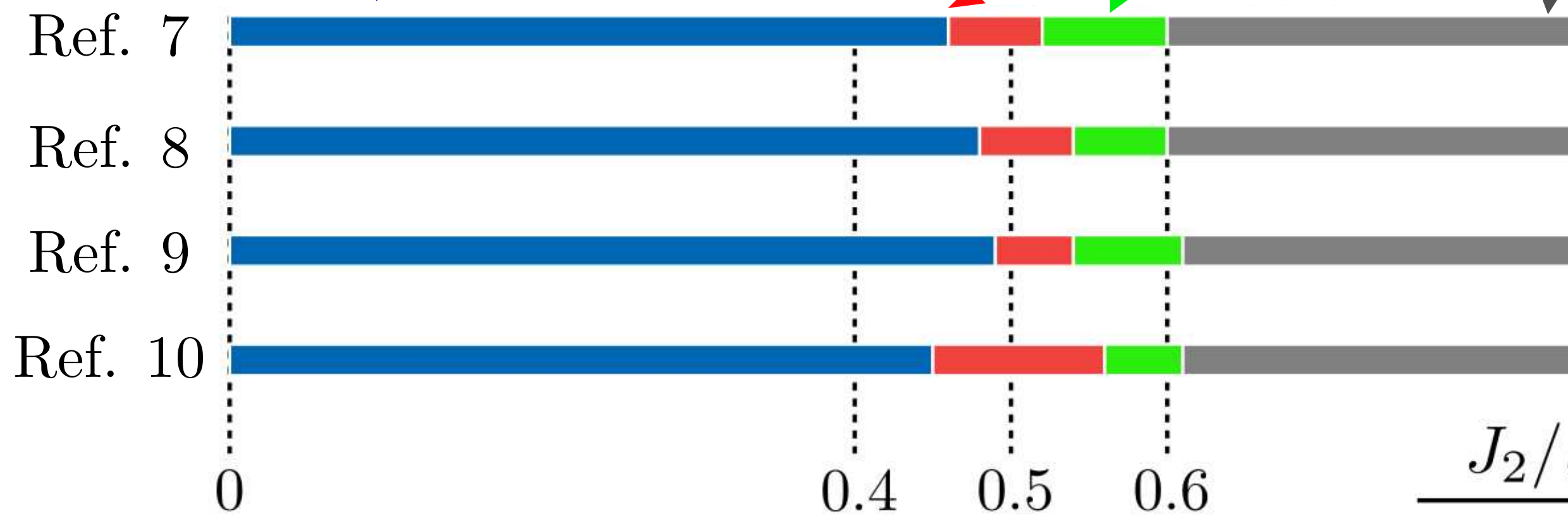
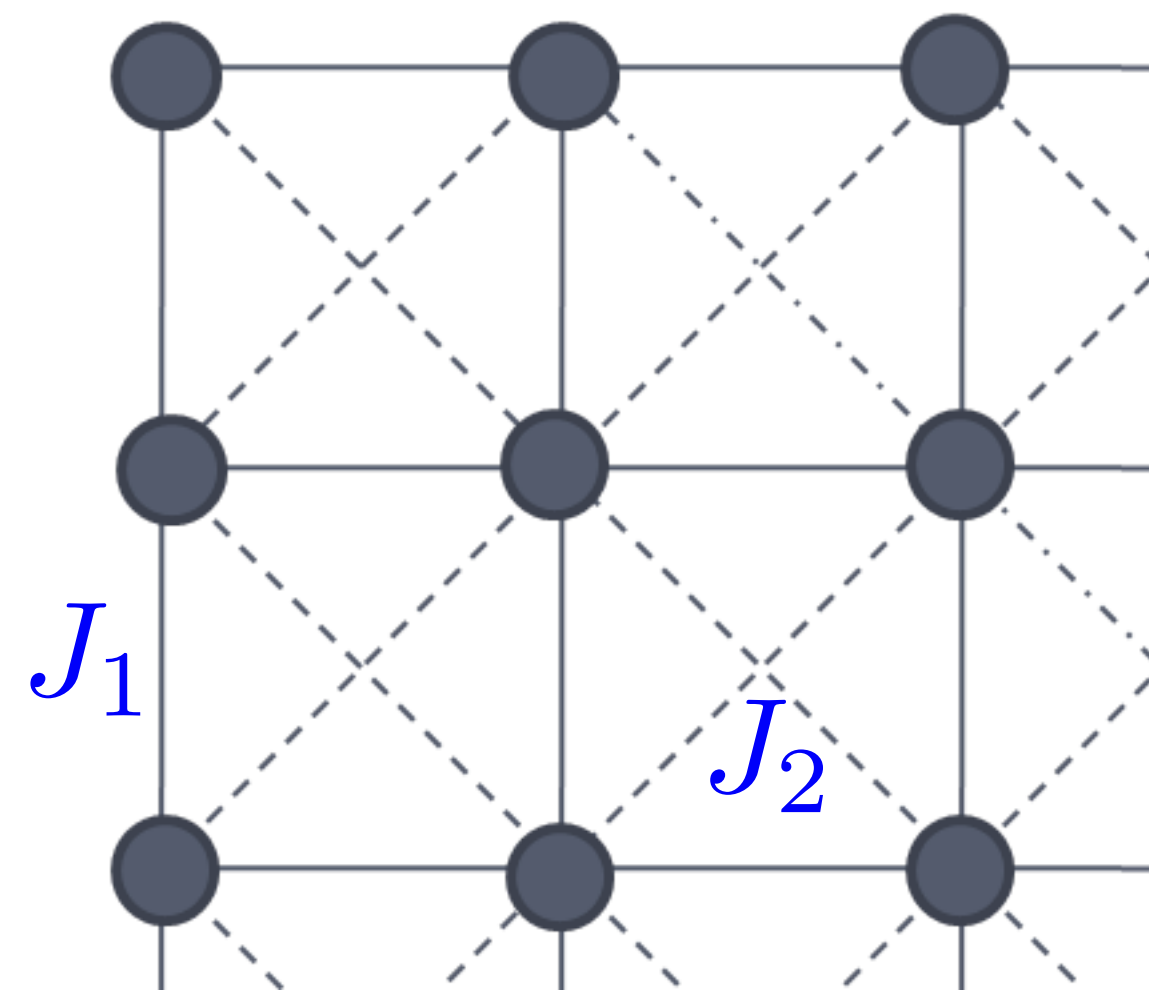
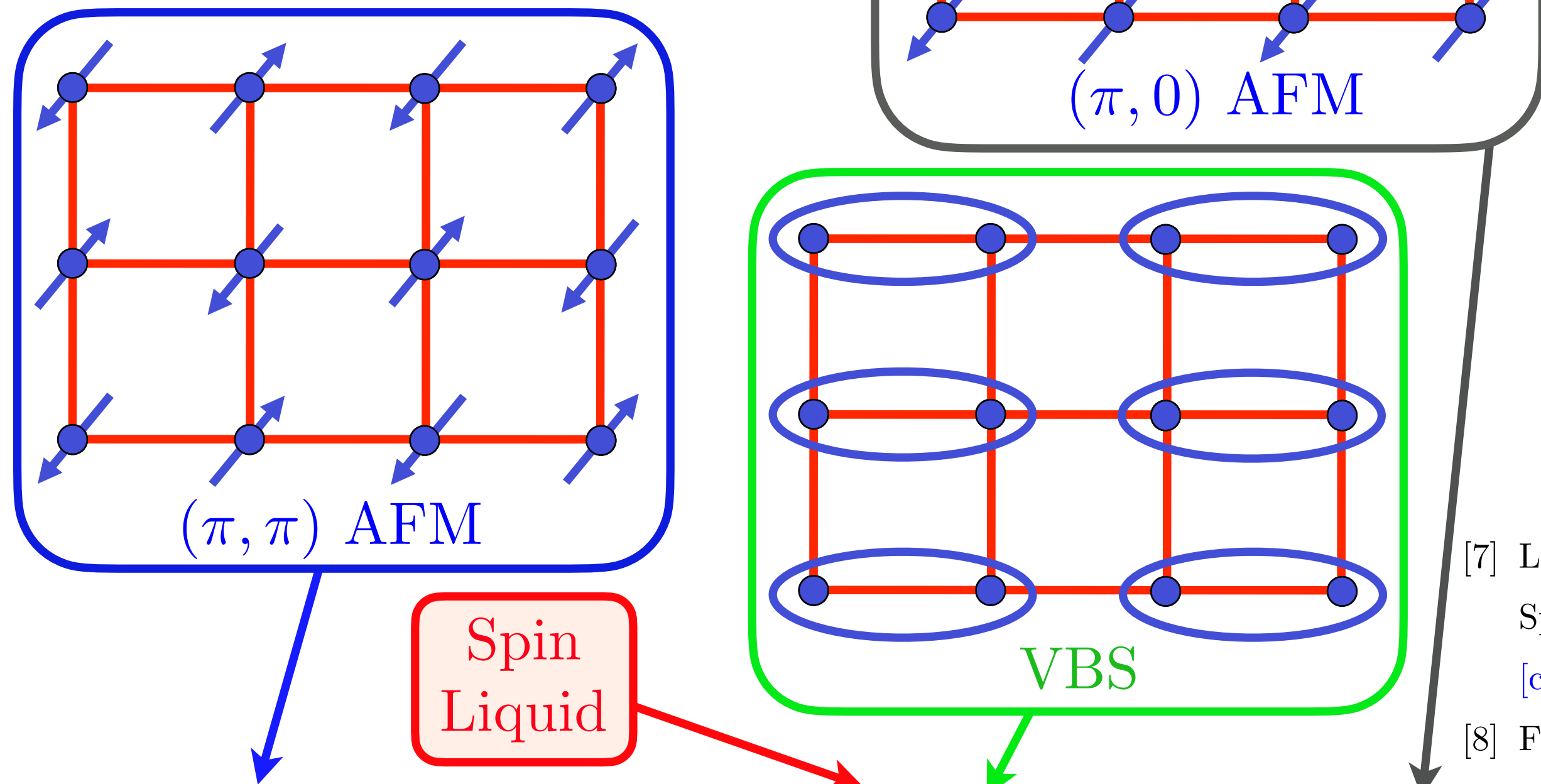
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Low energy theory of $N_f = 2$
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Confining order parameters
are Néel and VBS states,
with a global $SO(5)_f$ symmetry!

$$\mathcal{L} = i\bar{\Psi}_s \gamma_\mu D_\mu \Psi_s + \dots$$

Dual to $\mathbb{C}P^1$ U(1) gauge theory.

$$H = J_1 \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j + J_2 \sum_{\langle\langle i,j \rangle\rangle} \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j$$



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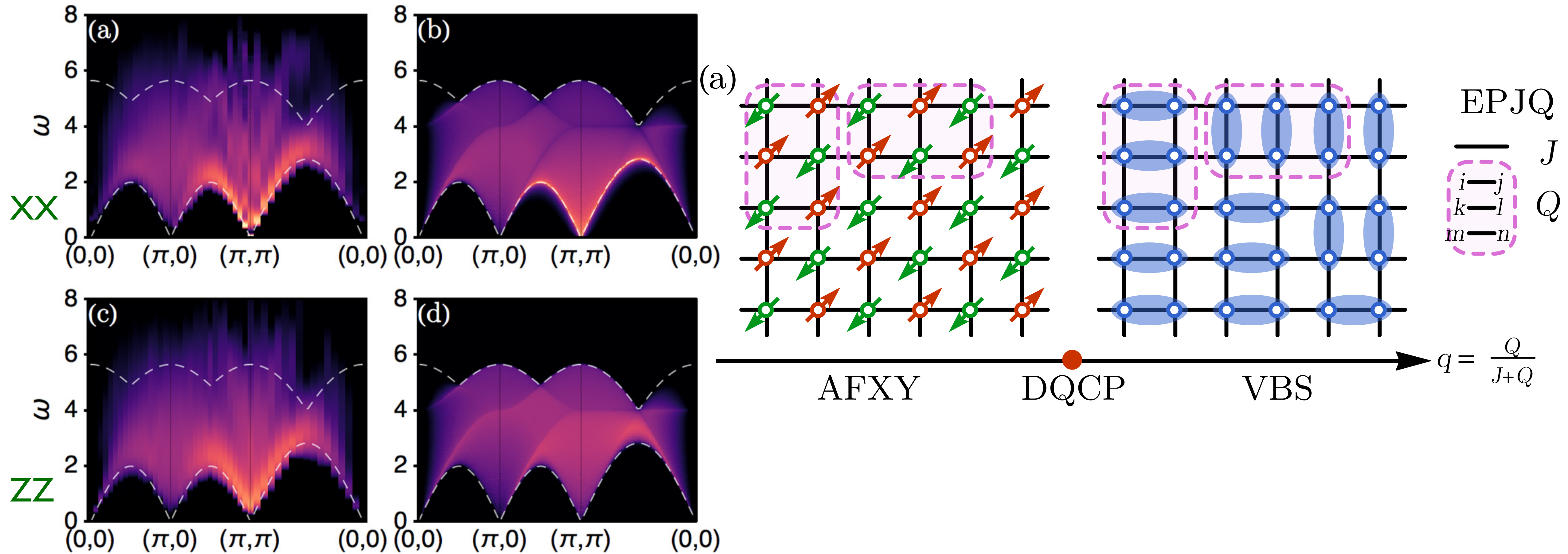
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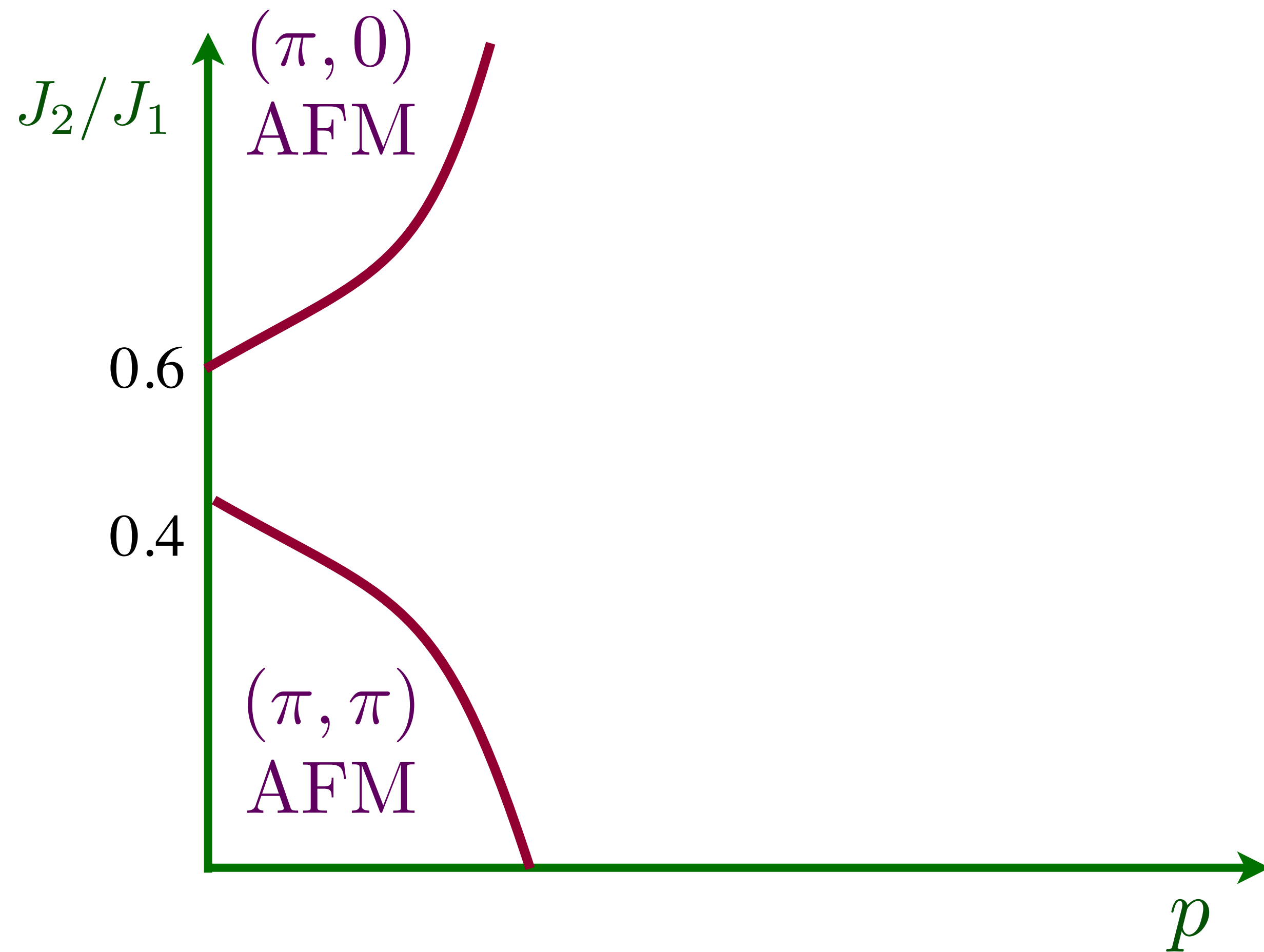
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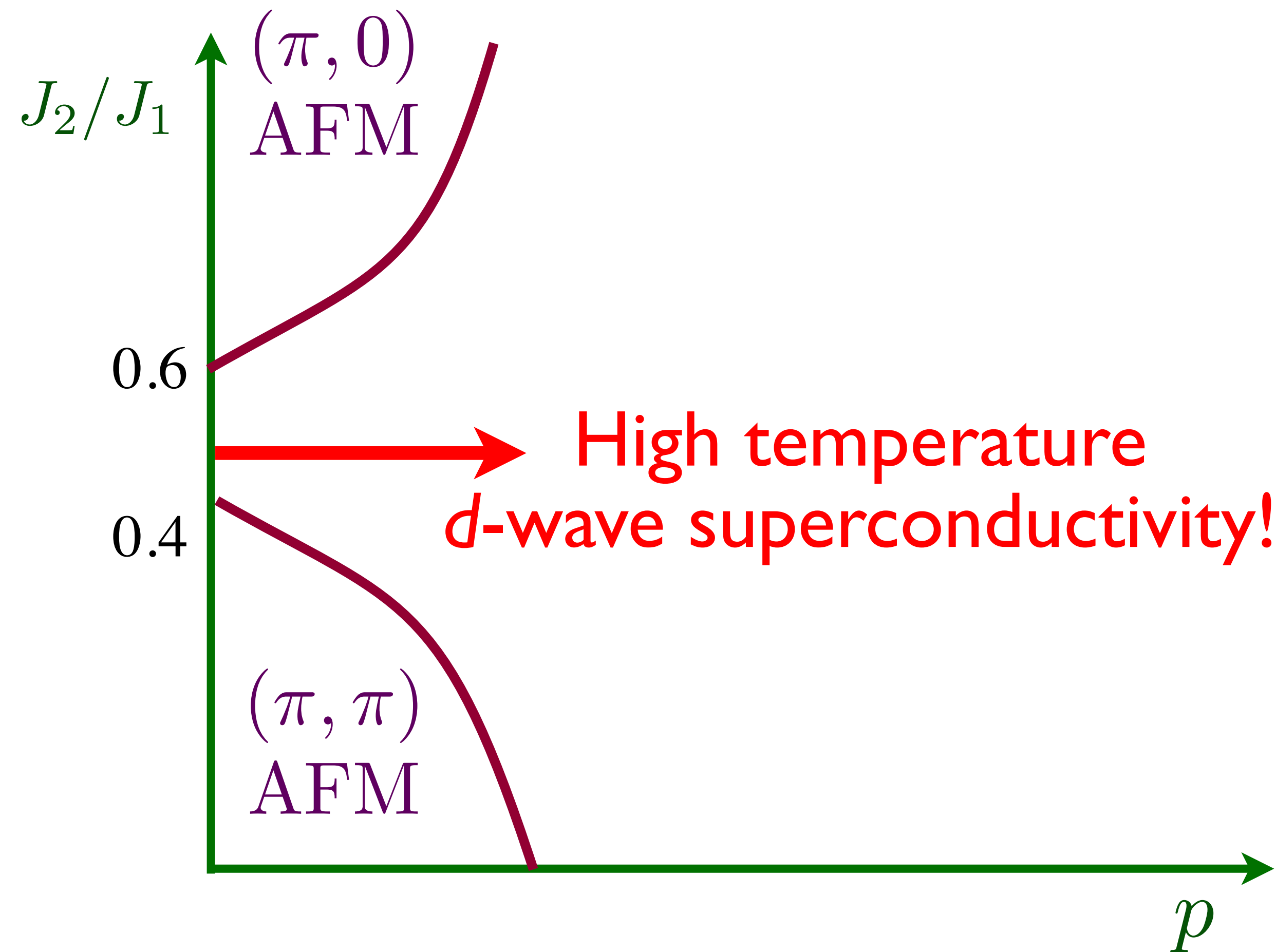
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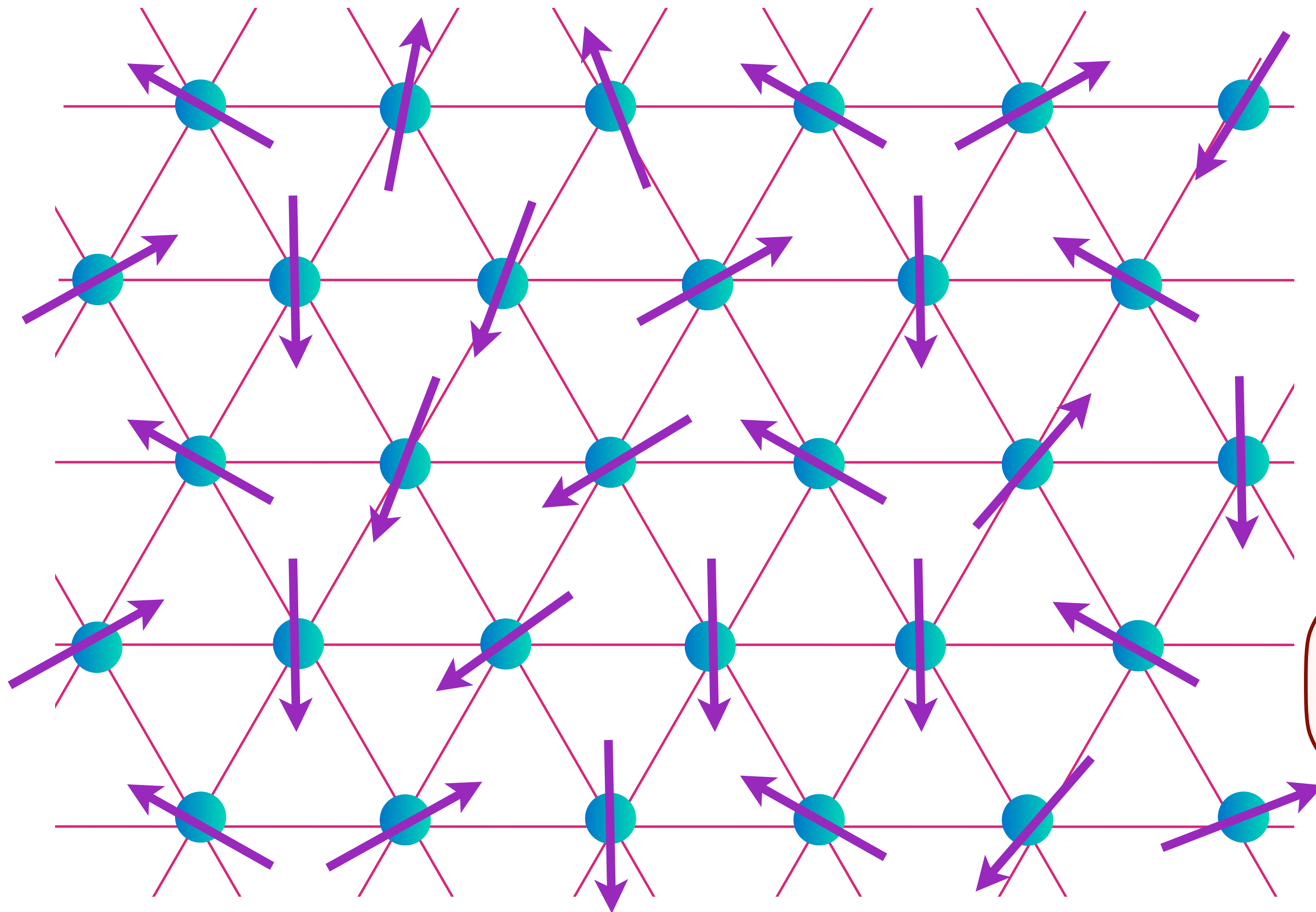
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$$J_K \mathbf{S}_{fi} \cdot c_{i\alpha}^\dagger \frac{\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta}}{2} c_{i\beta}$$

Kondo lattice: Heavy Fermi Liquid phase

c and f electrons

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Paramagnon theory of the Hubbard model

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We use the operator equation (valid on each site i):

$$U \left(n_\uparrow - \frac{1}{2} \right) \left(n_\downarrow - \frac{1}{2} \right) = -\frac{2U}{3} \mathbf{S}^2 + \frac{U}{4}$$

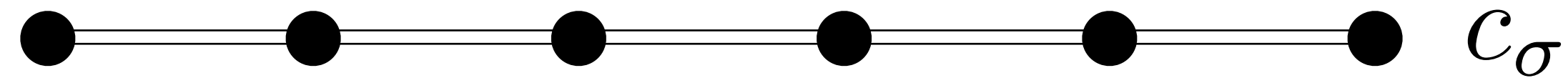
Then we decouple the interaction via

$$\exp \left(\frac{2U}{3} \sum_i \int d\tau \mathbf{S}_i^2 \right) = \int \mathcal{D}\Phi_i(\tau) \exp \left(- \sum_i \int d\tau \left[\frac{3}{8U} \Phi_i^2 - \Phi_i \cdot c_{i\sigma}^\dagger \frac{\boldsymbol{\tau}_{\sigma\sigma'}}{2} c_{i\sigma'} \right] \right)$$

This yields the ‘Scalapino-Pines-Chubukov-Schmalian...’ theory for a ‘paramagnon quantum rotor’ Φ_i coupled to otherwise free fermions $c_{i\sigma}$.

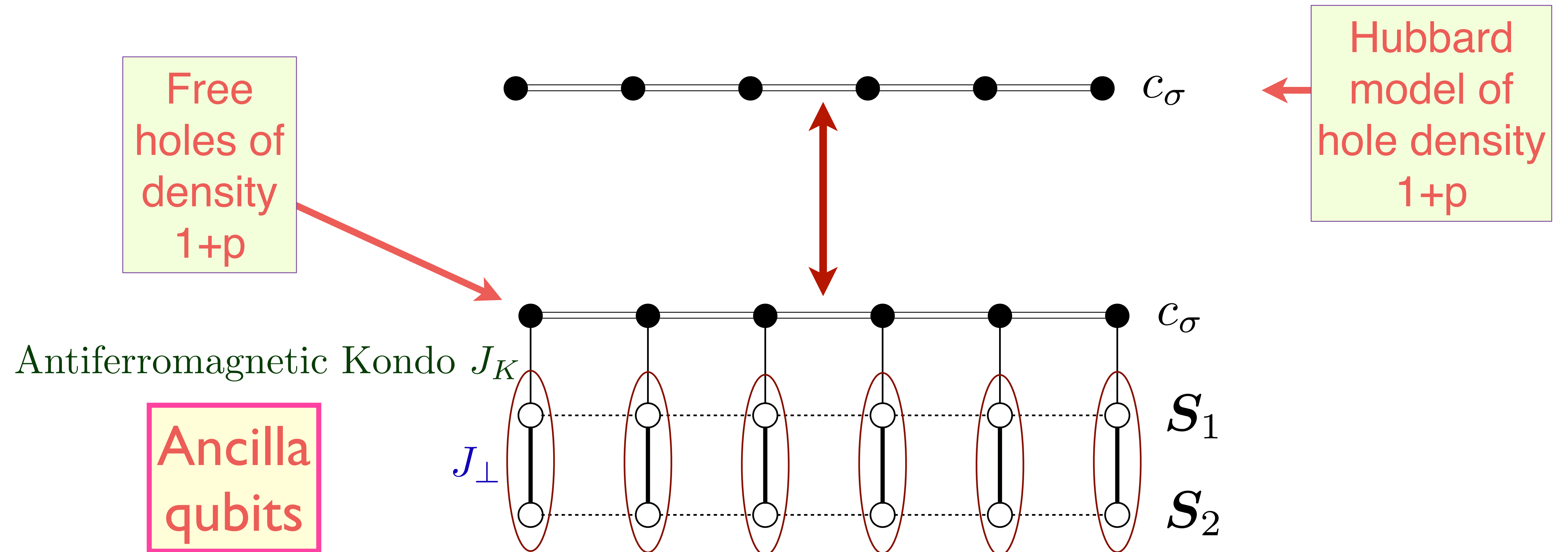
Φ_i is the creation/annihilation operator for charge 0, spin $S = 1$ particle.

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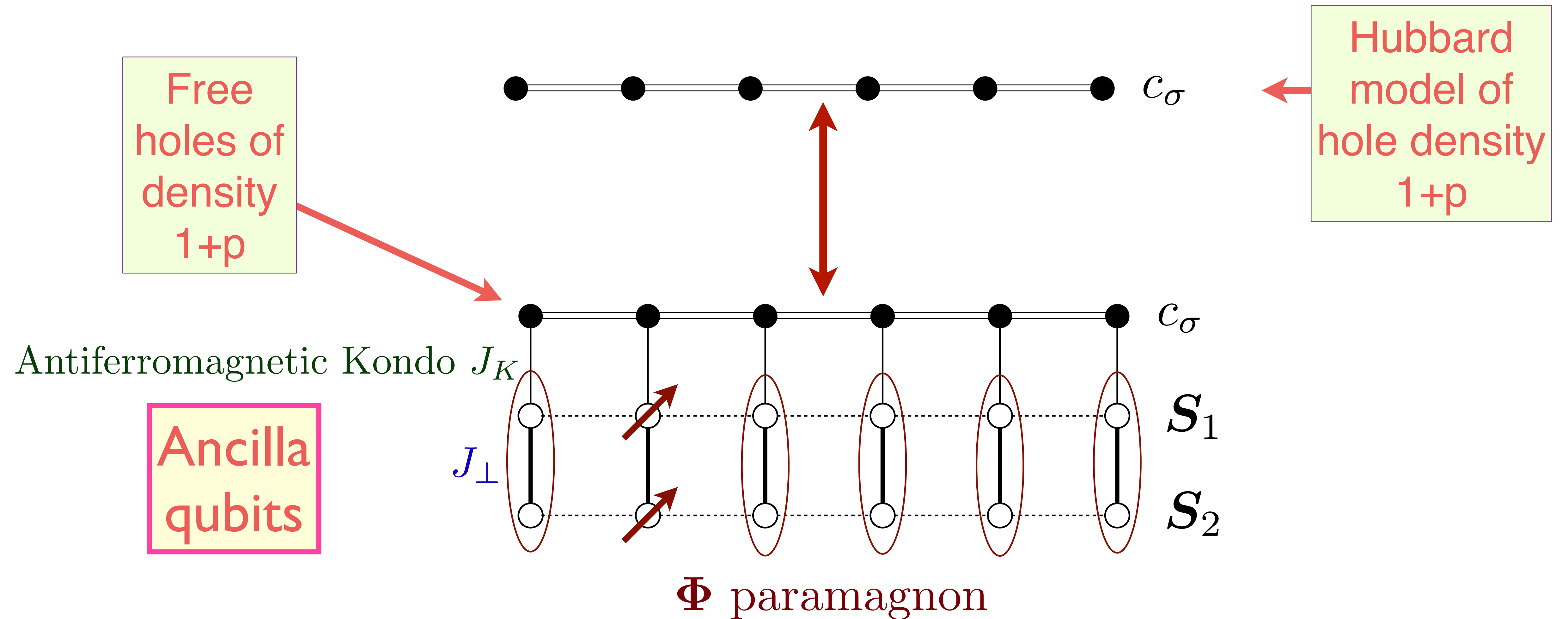
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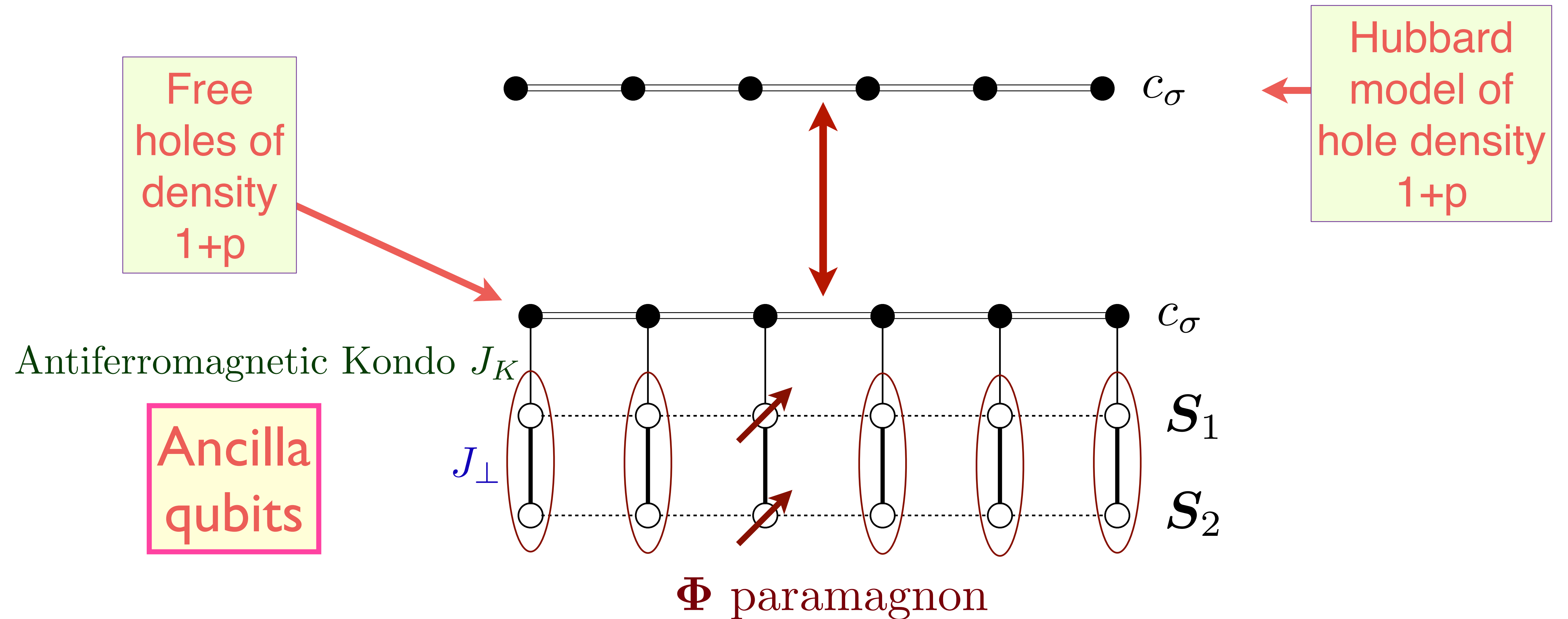
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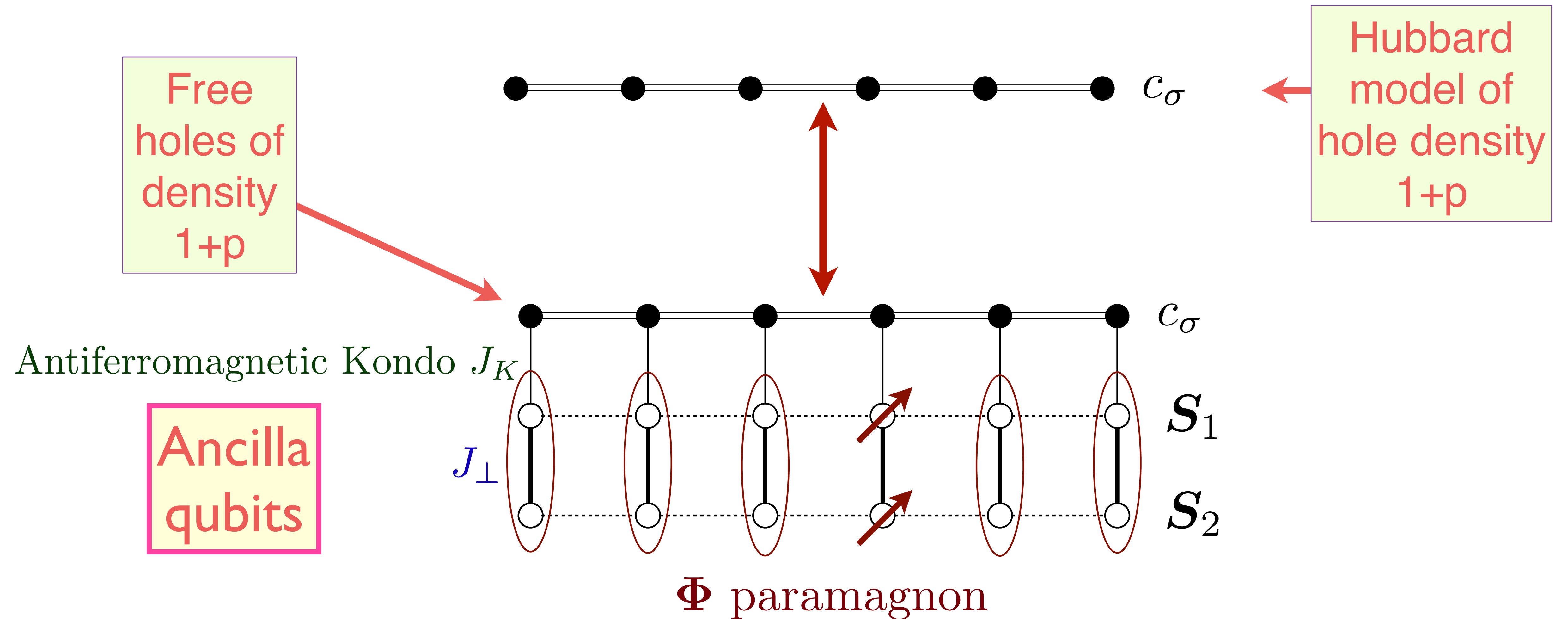
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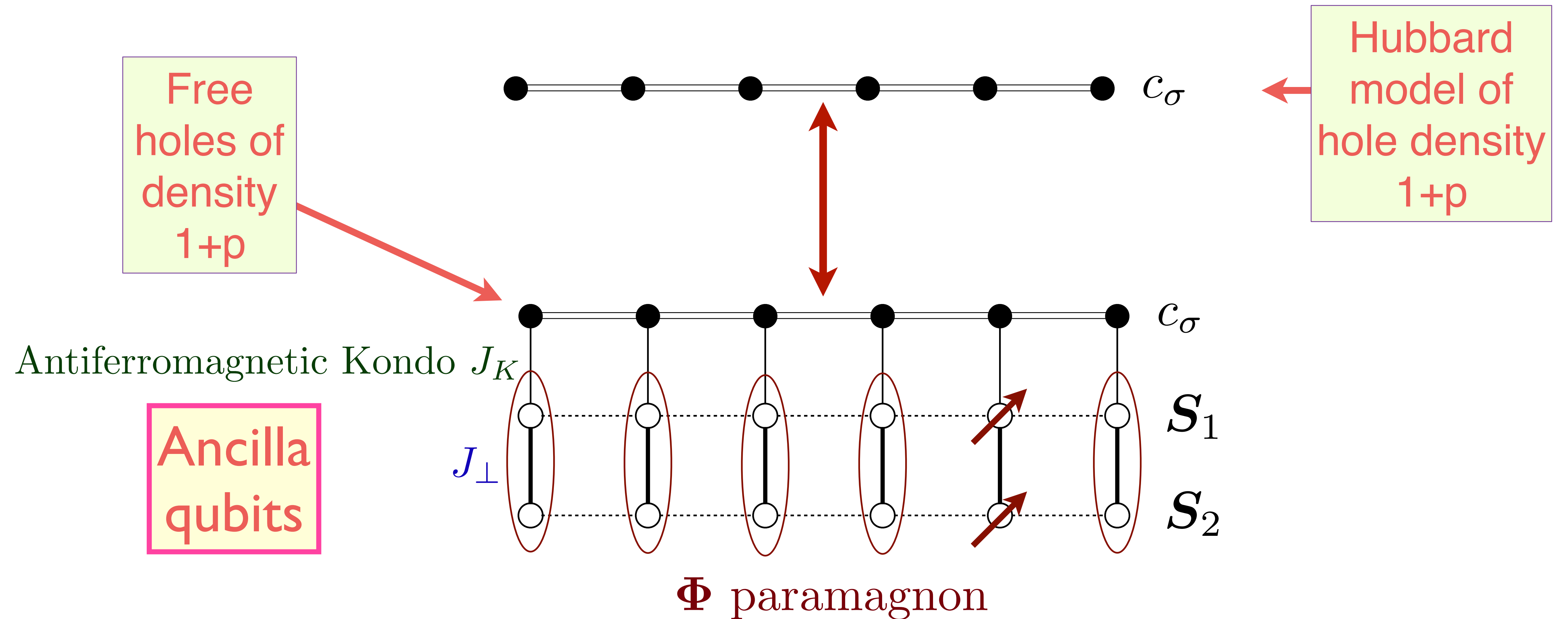
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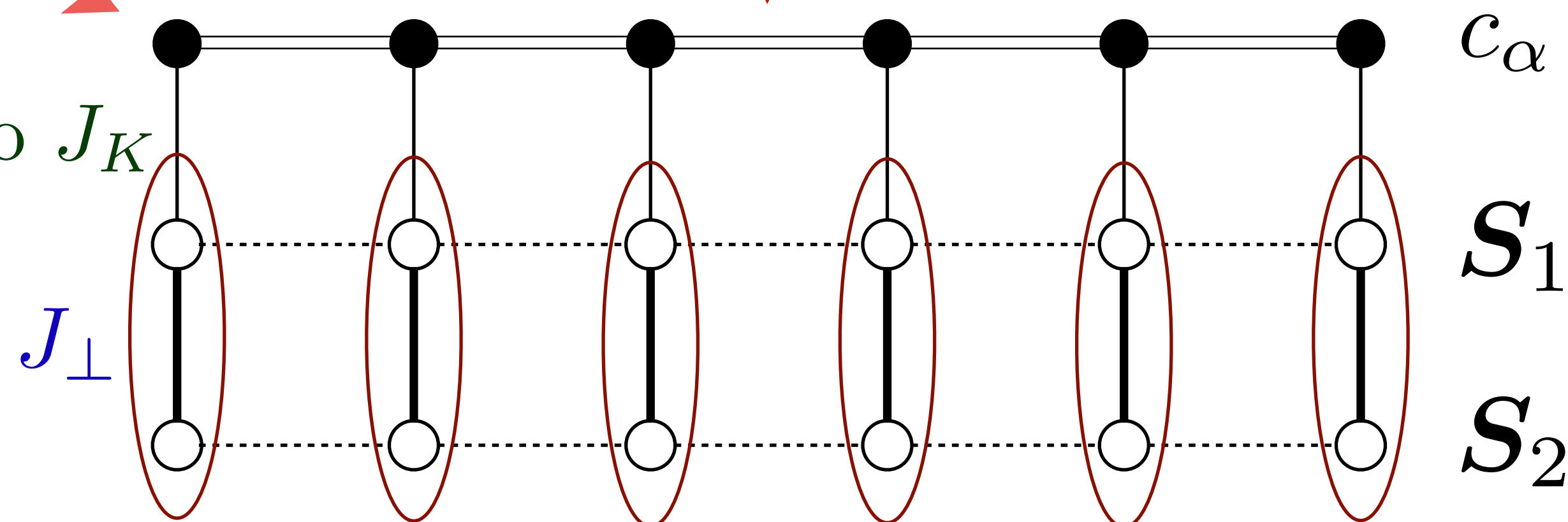
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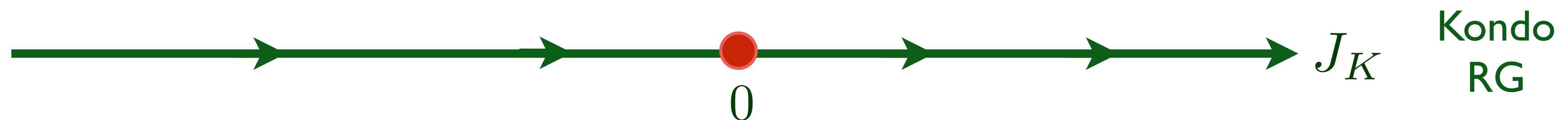
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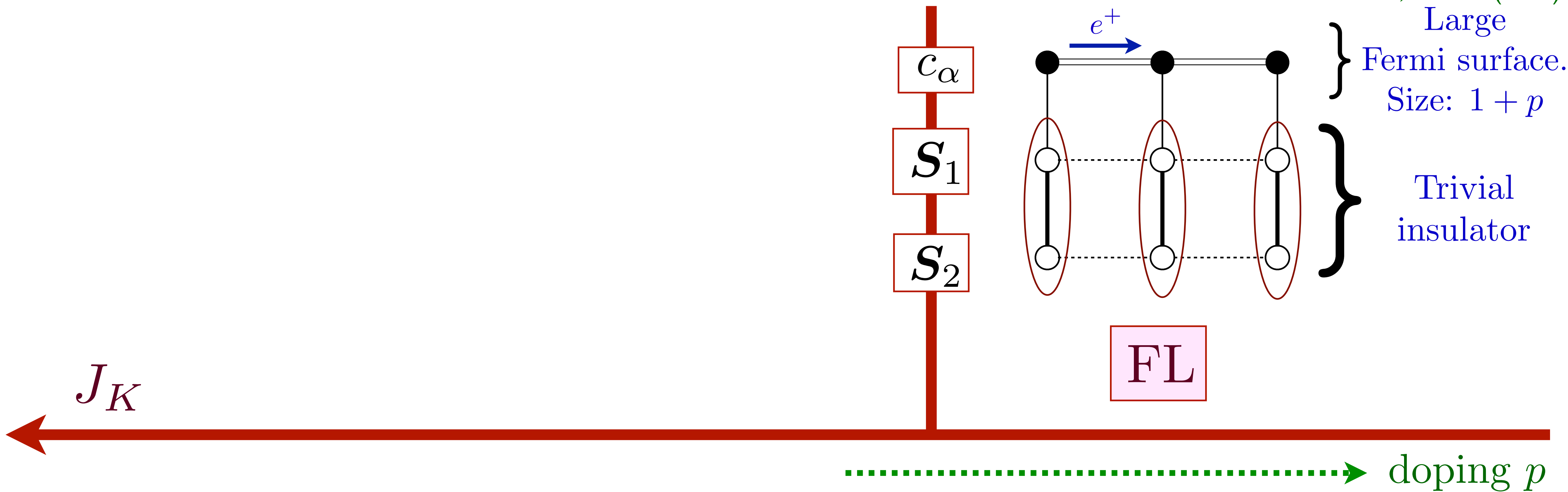
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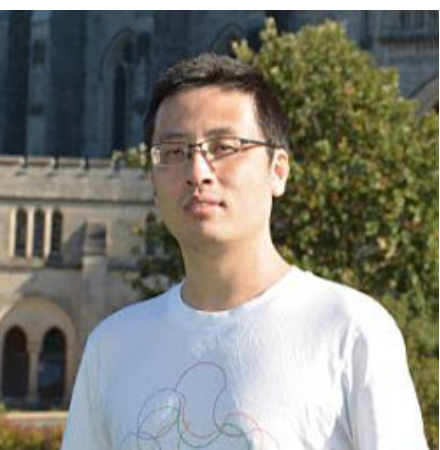
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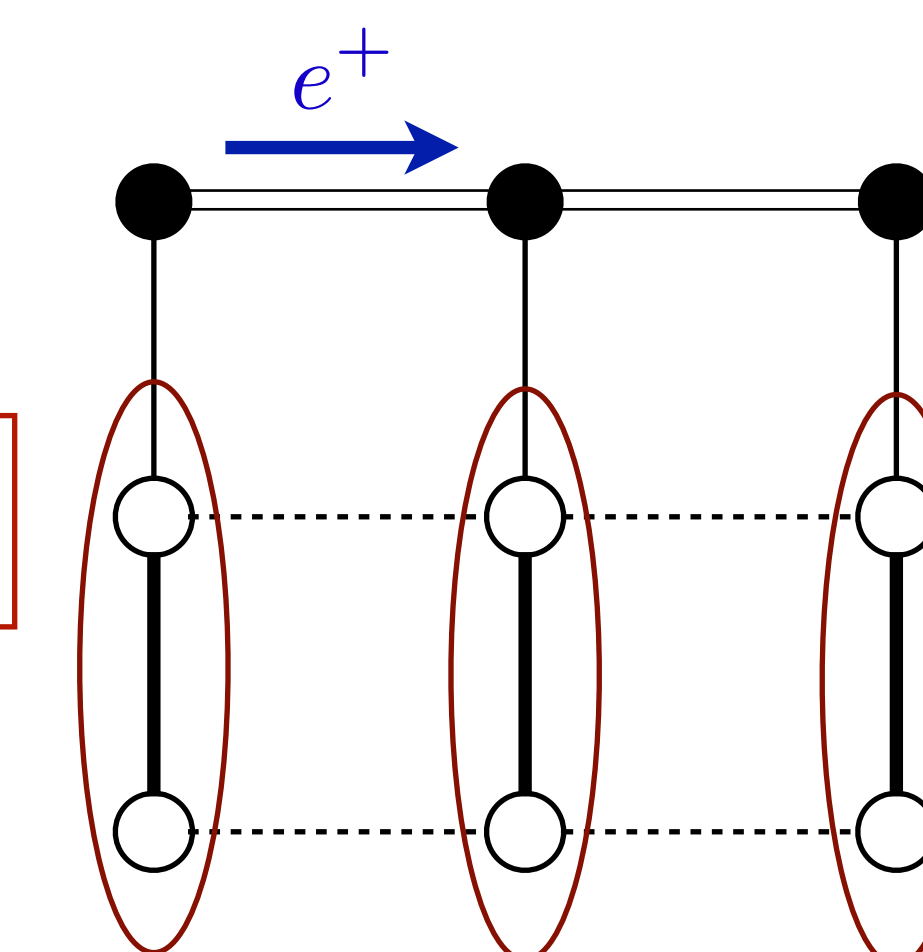
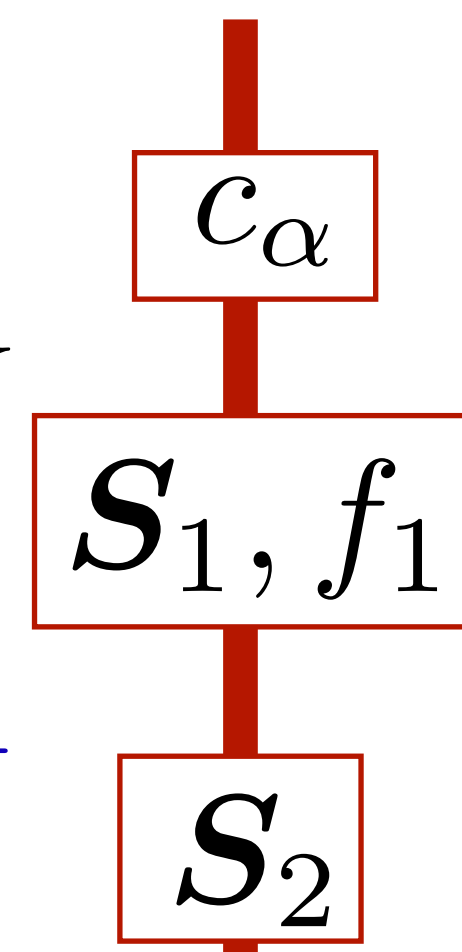
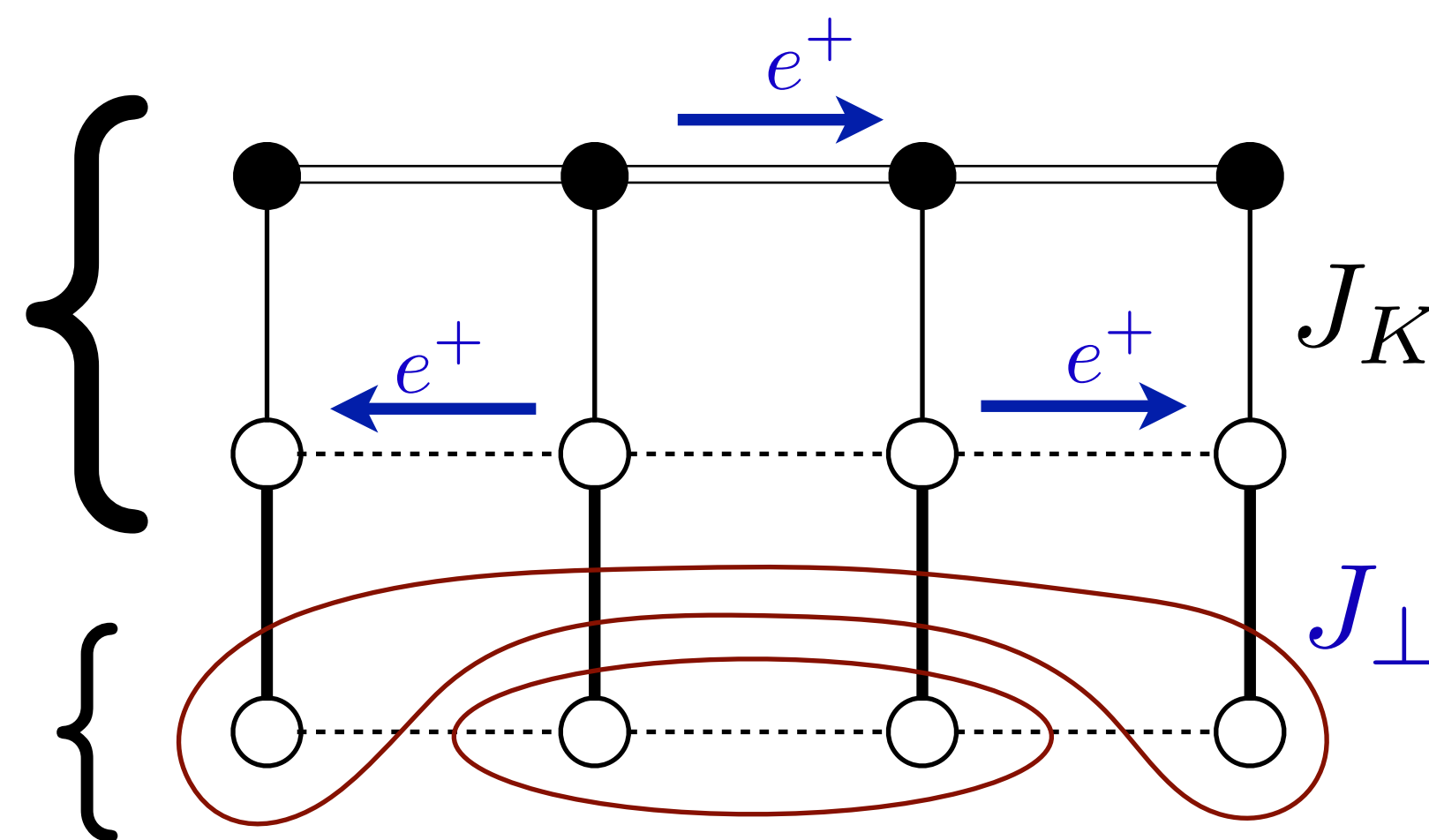


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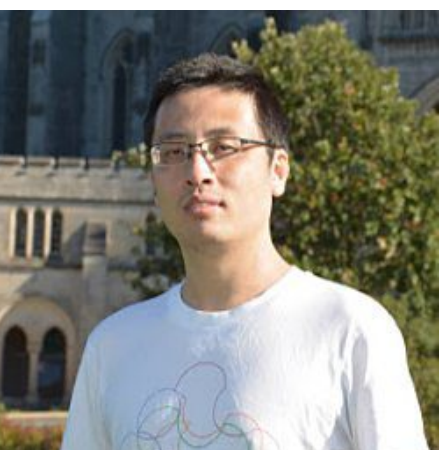
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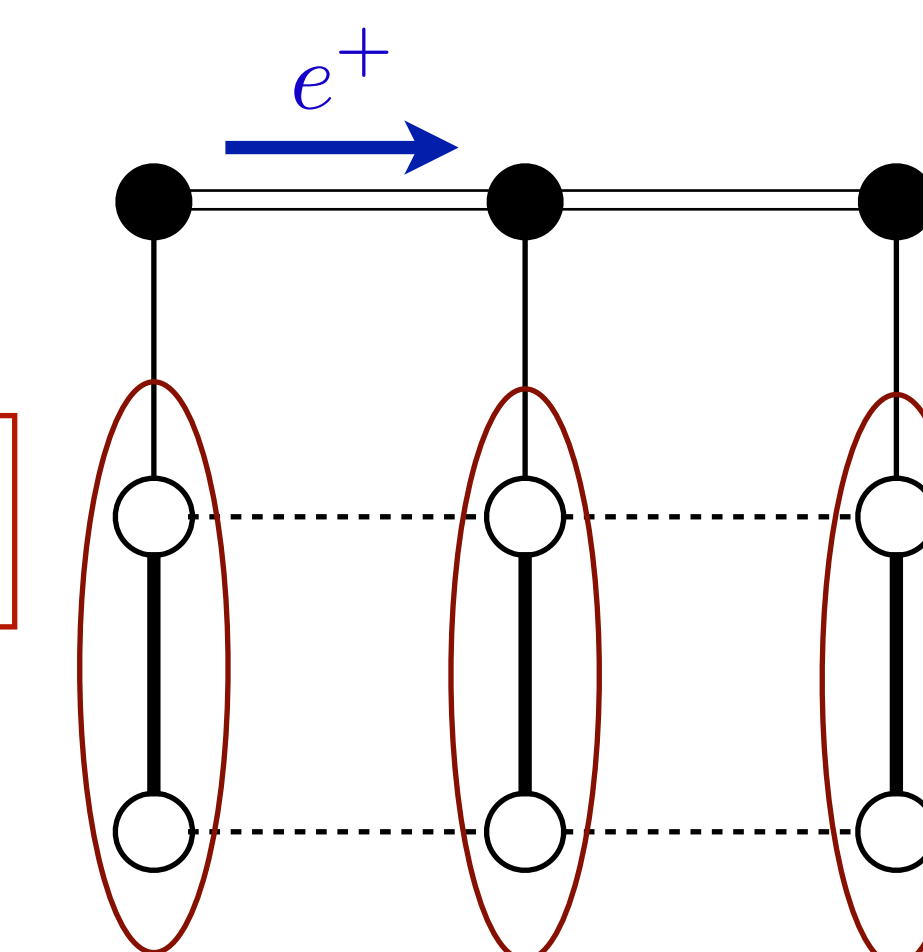
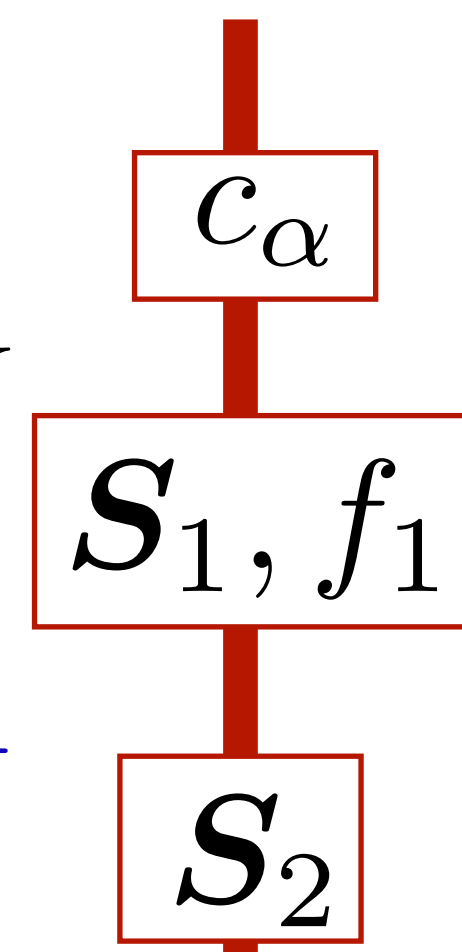
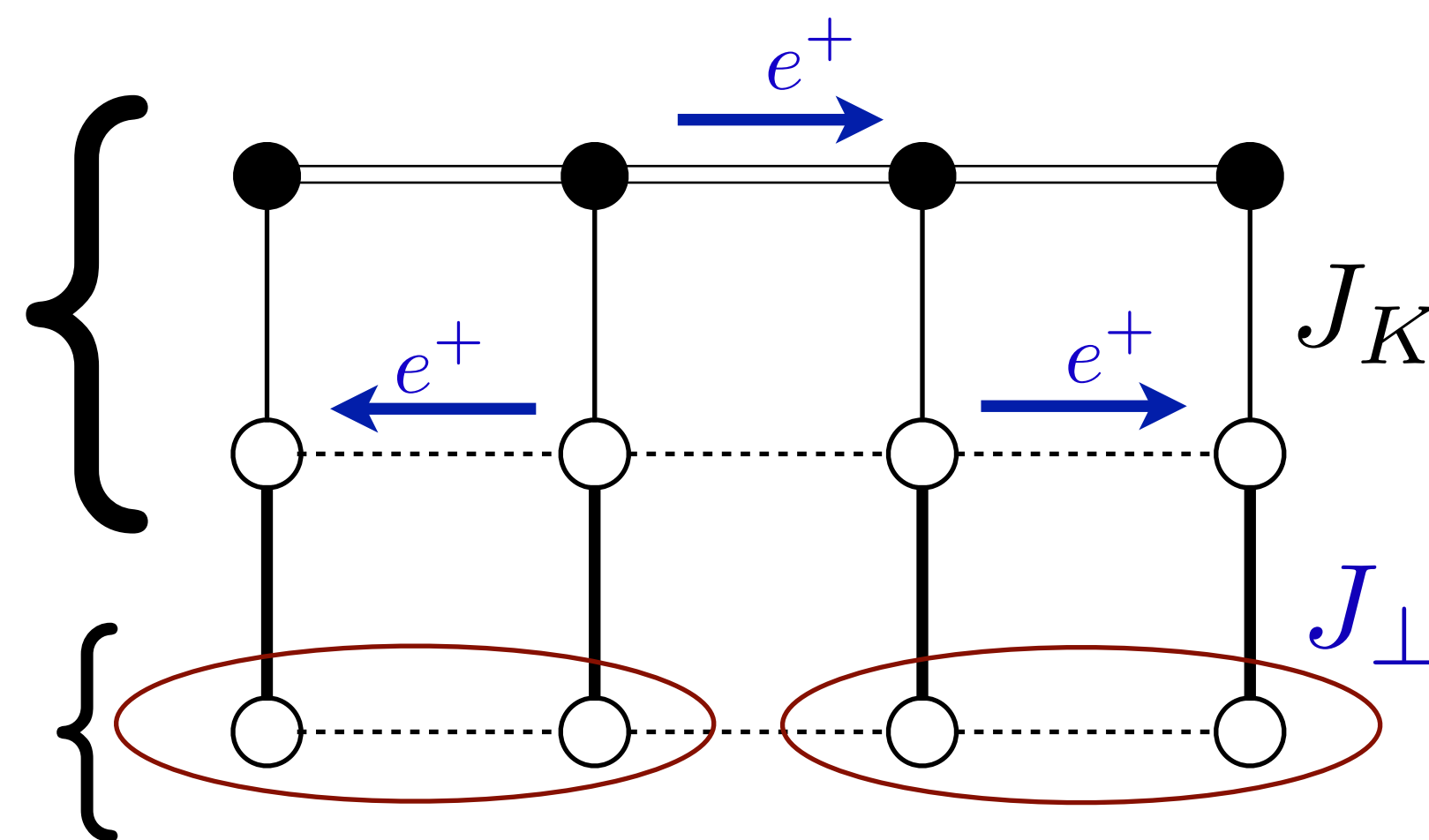


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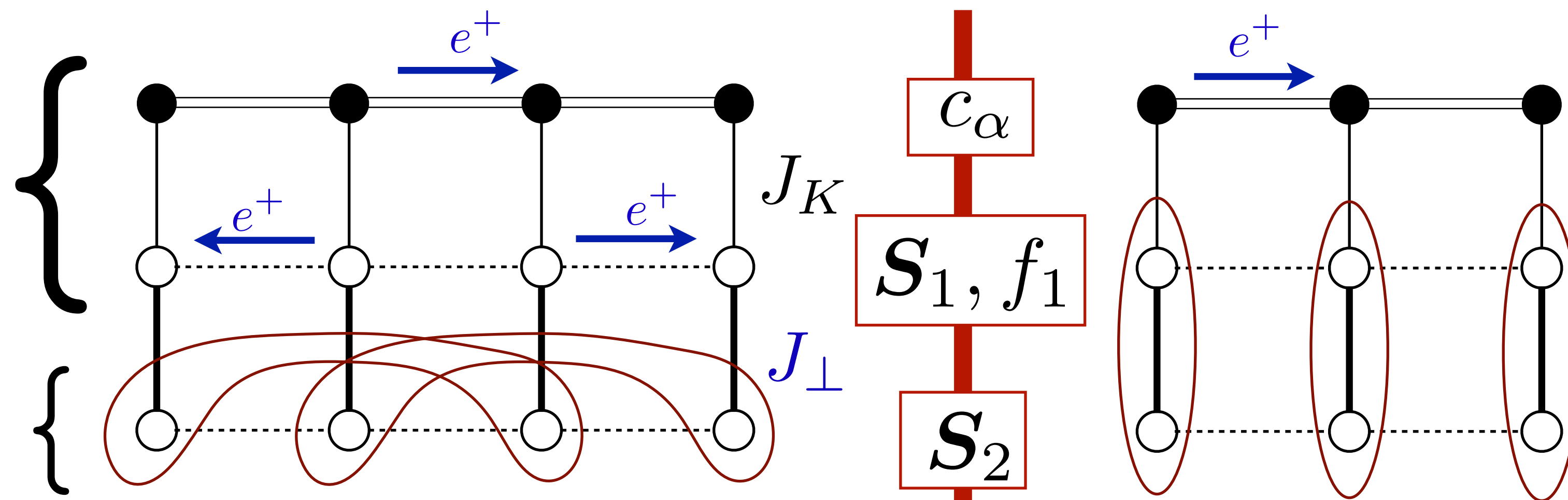


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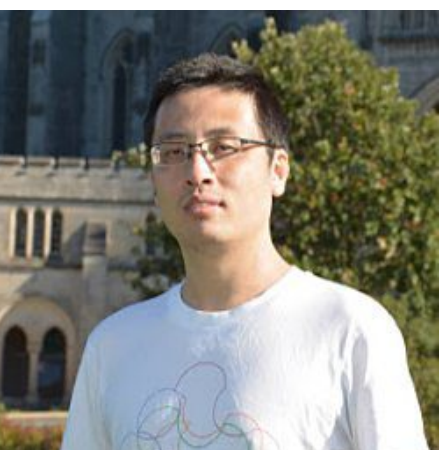
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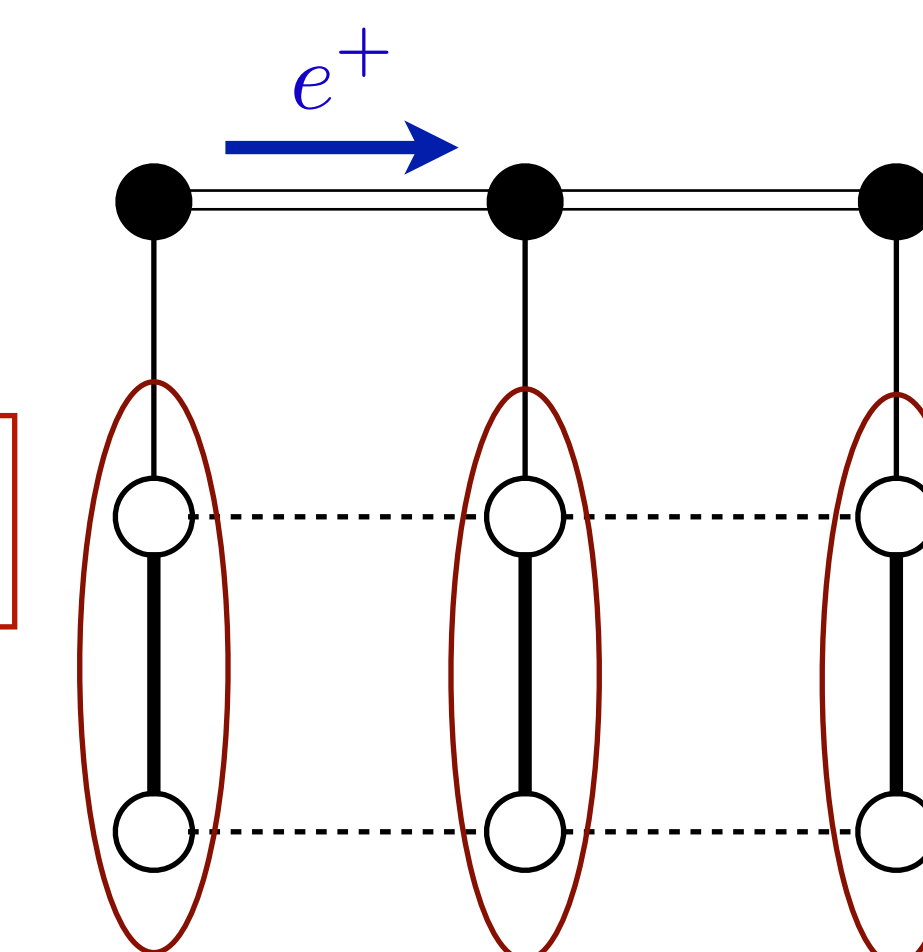
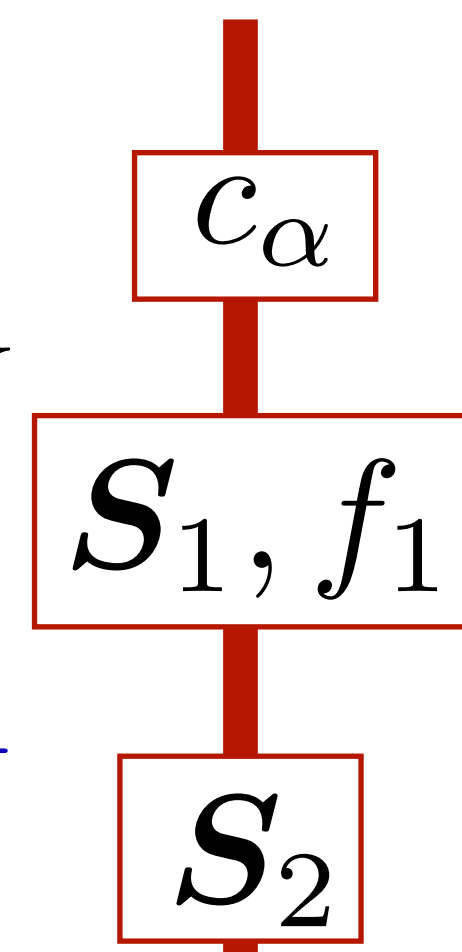
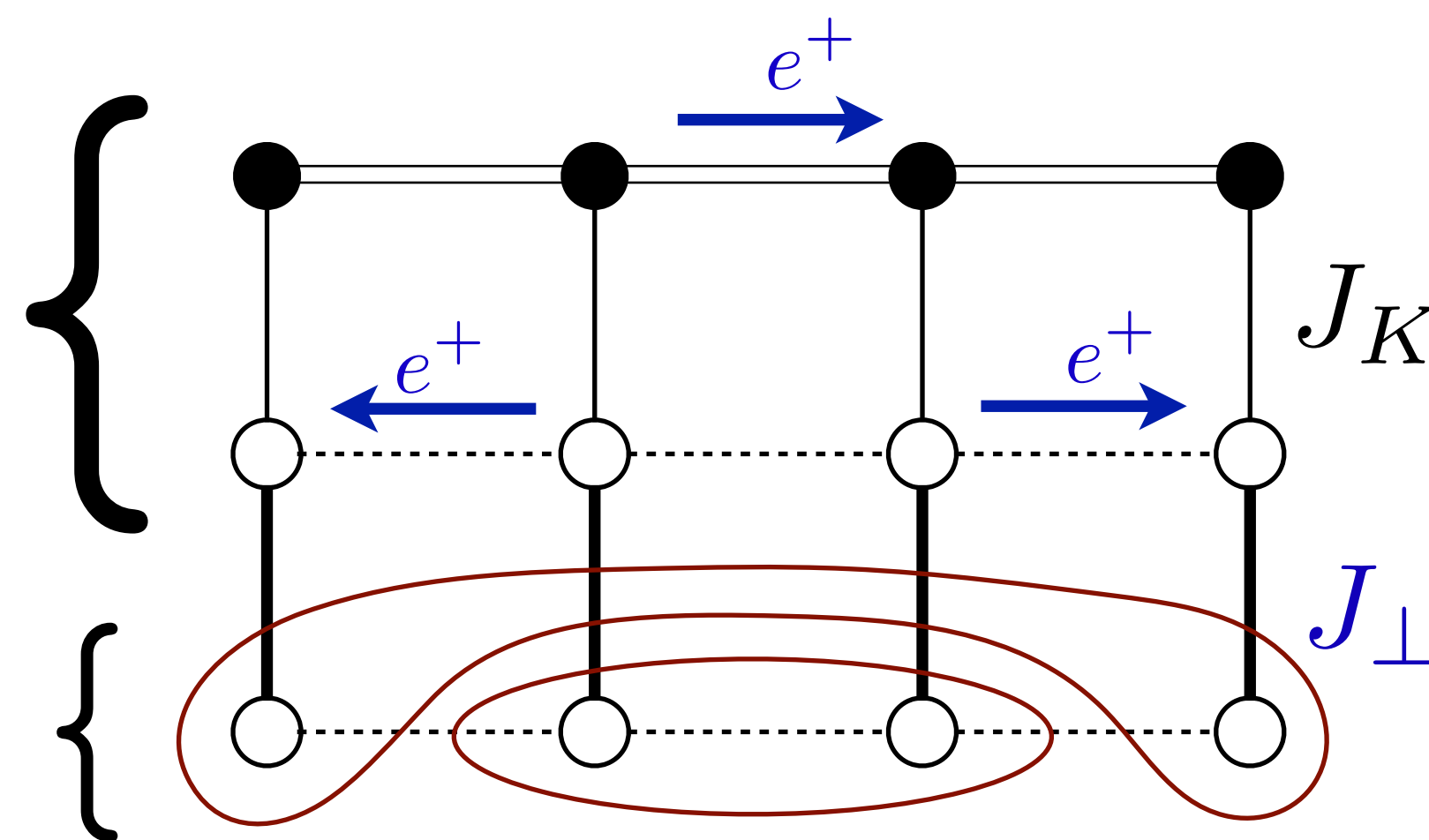


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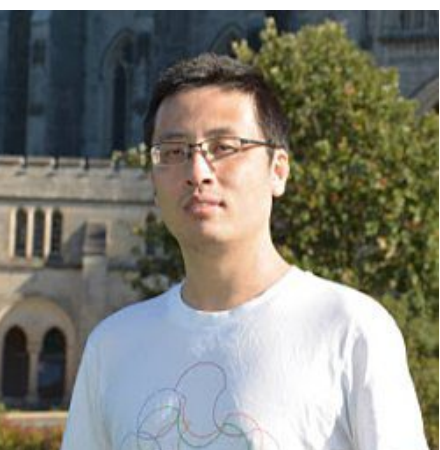
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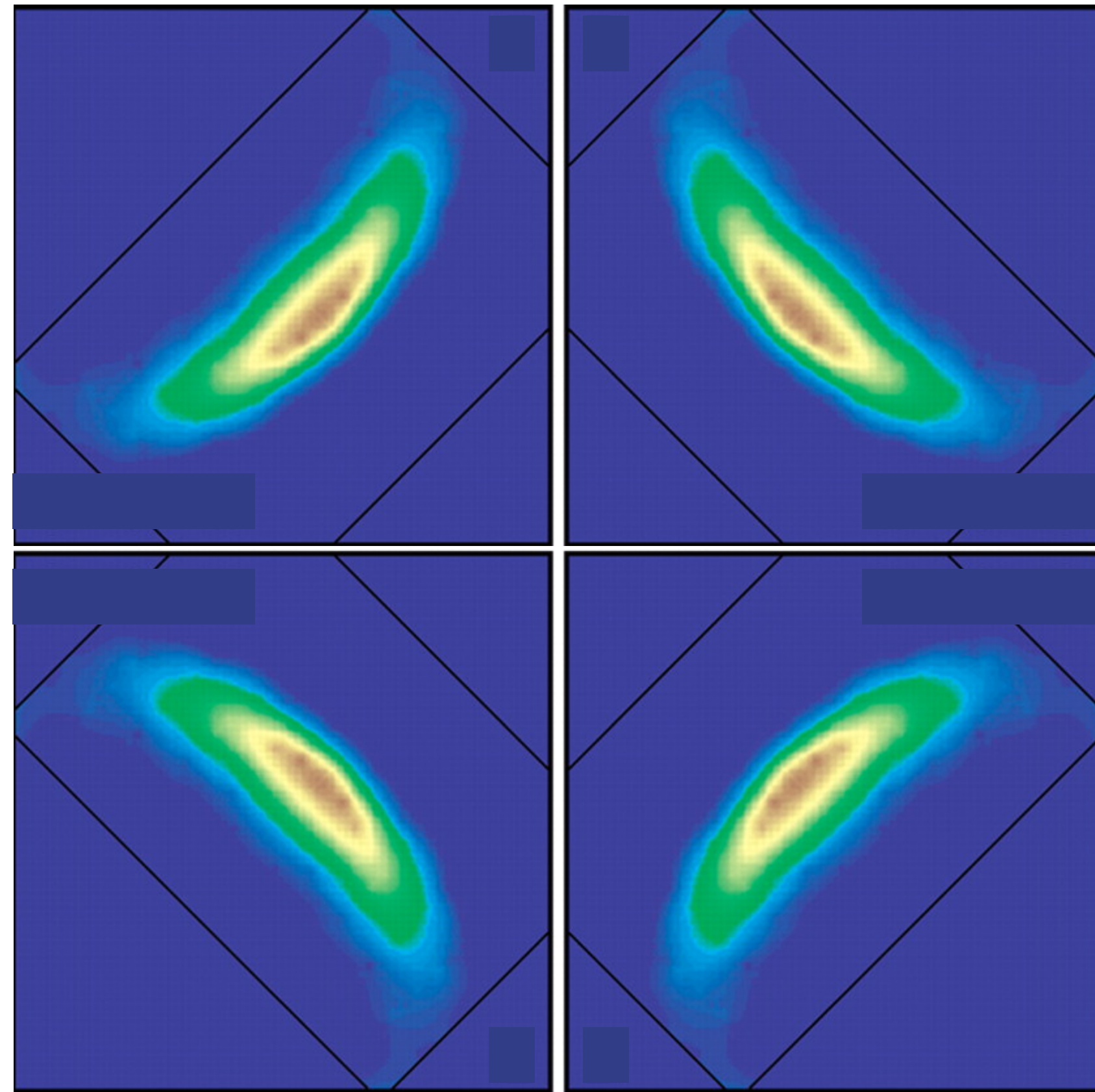
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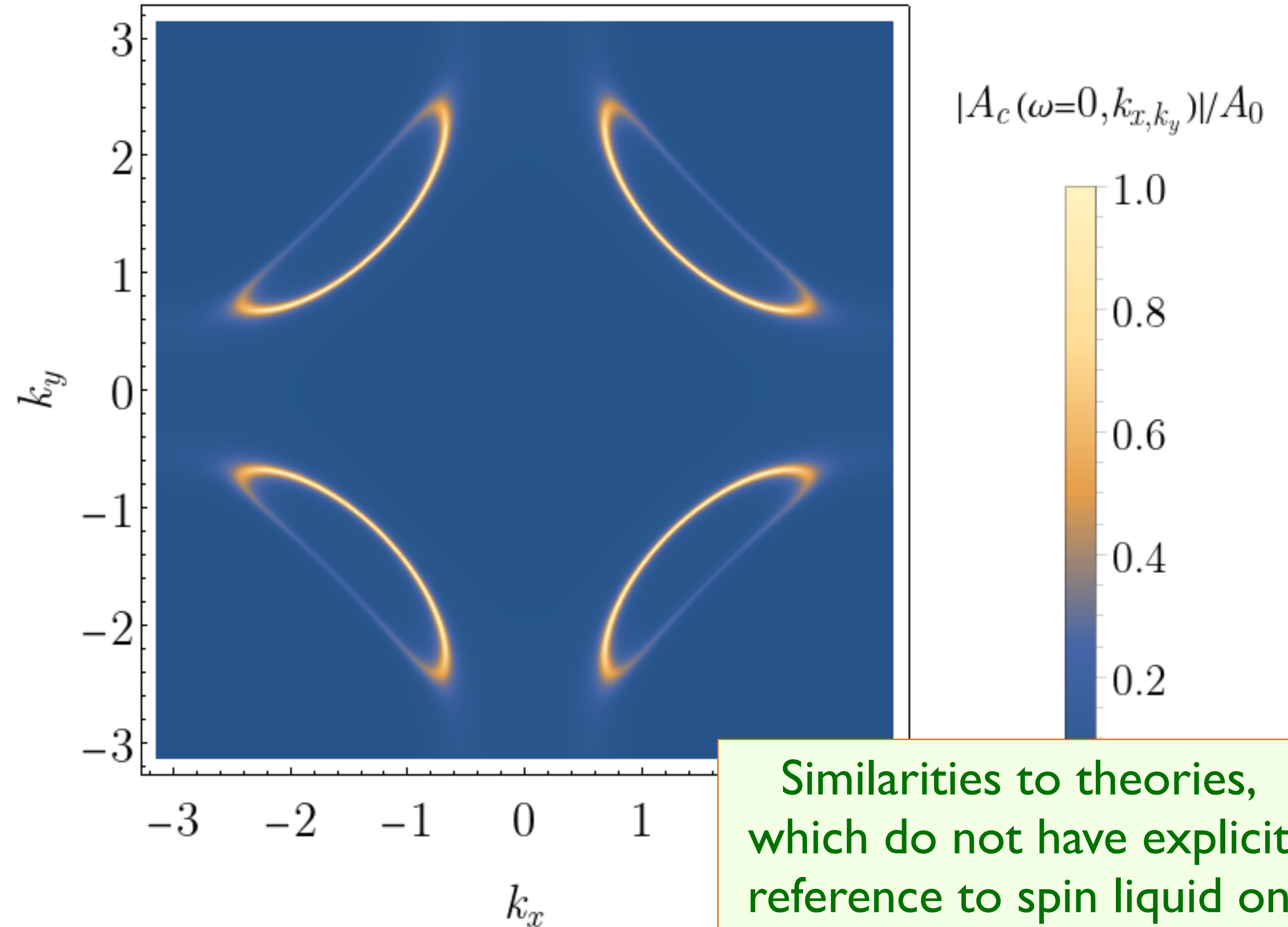
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Photoemission at small p



$\text{Ca}_{2-x}\text{Na}_x\text{CuO}_2\text{Cl}_2$
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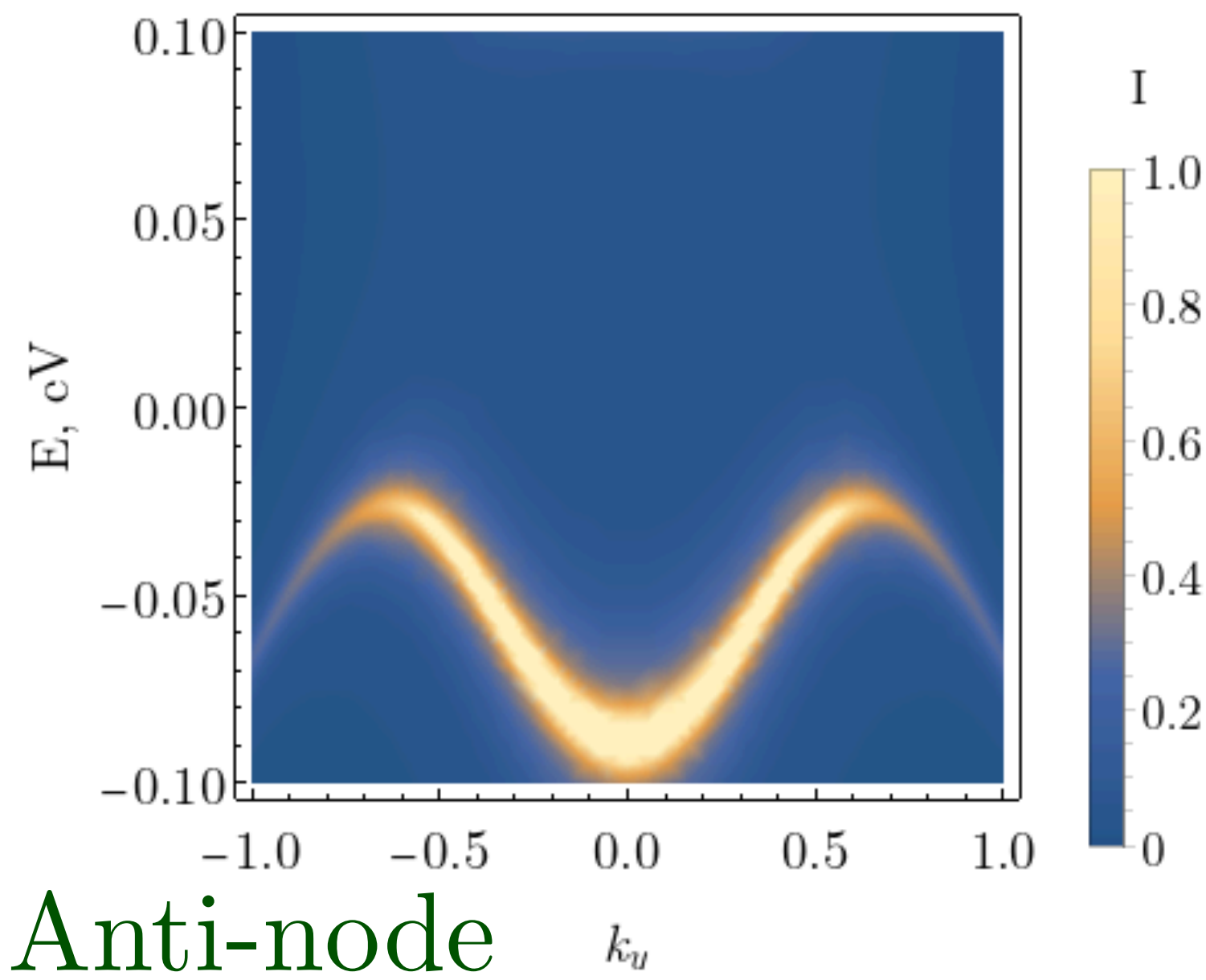
“Fermi arcs”

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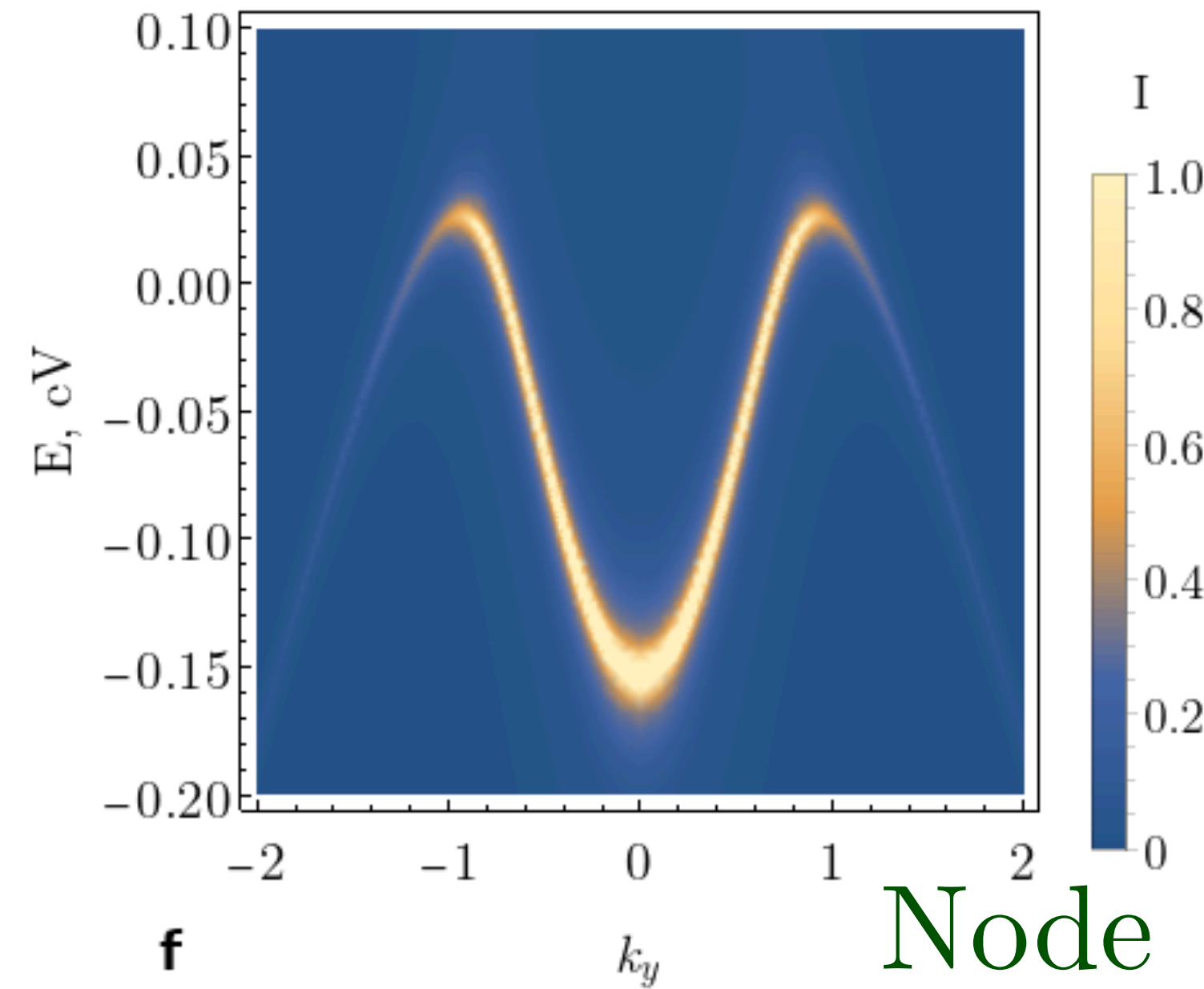
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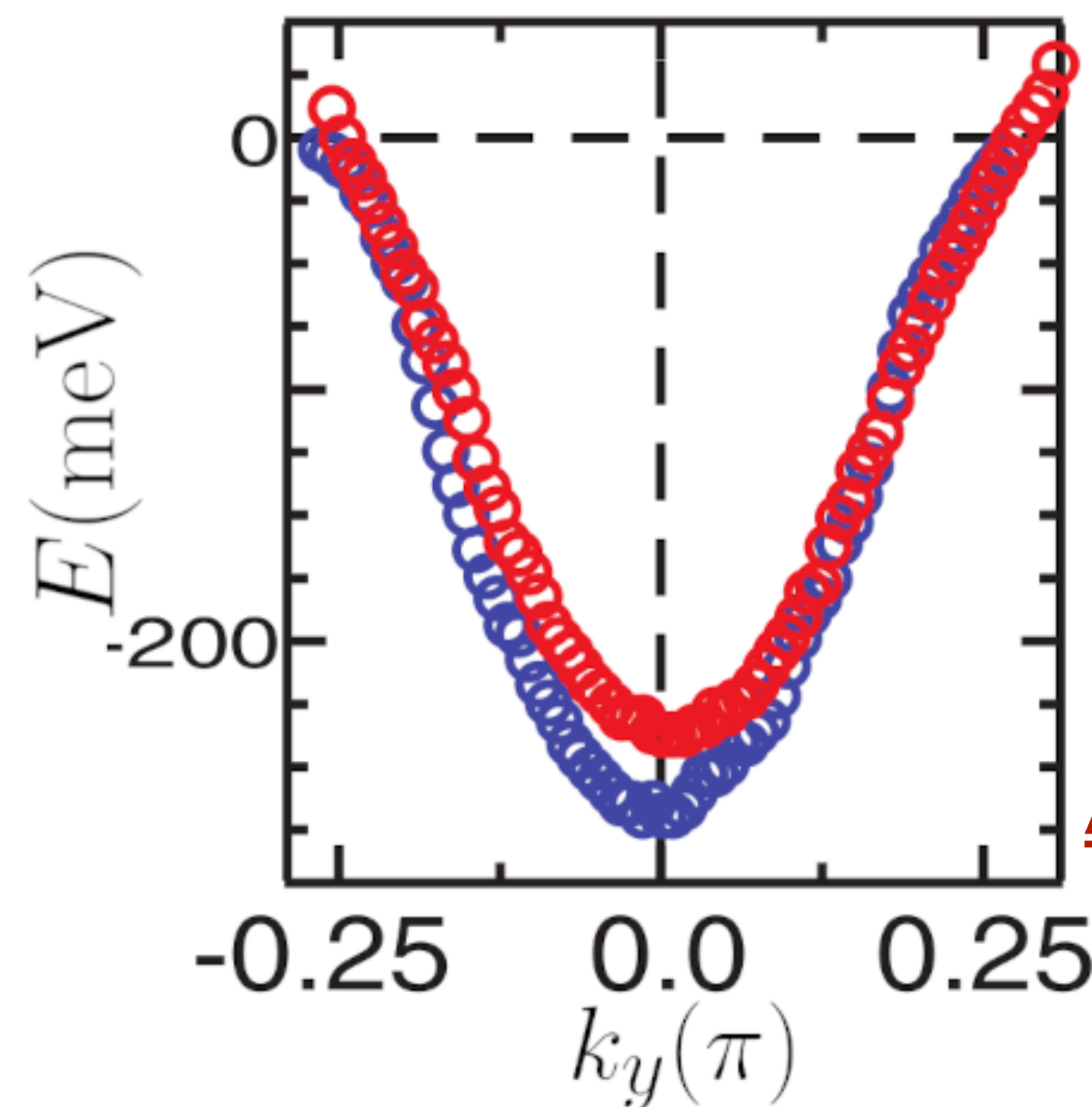
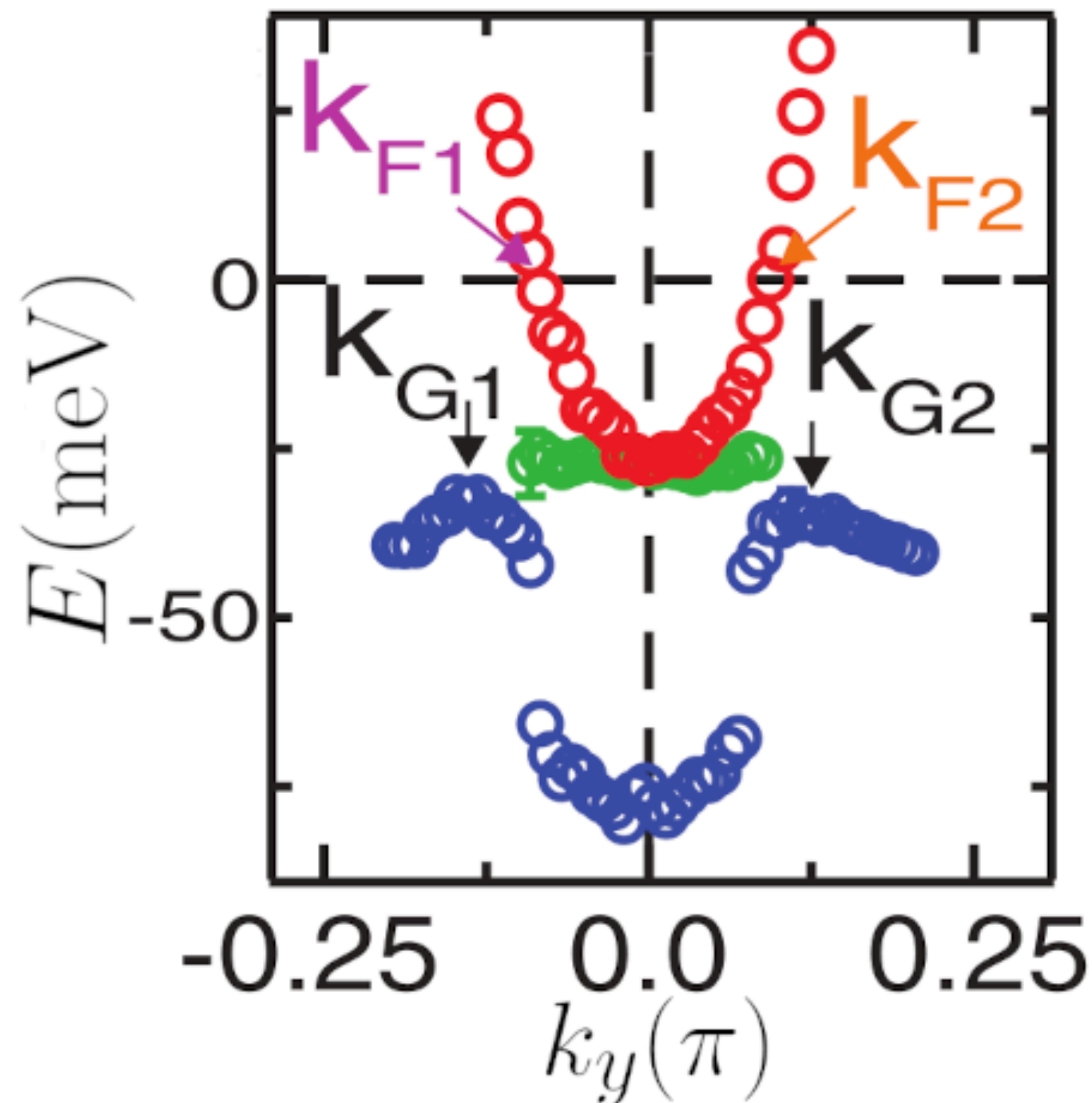
Second ancilla layer is needed
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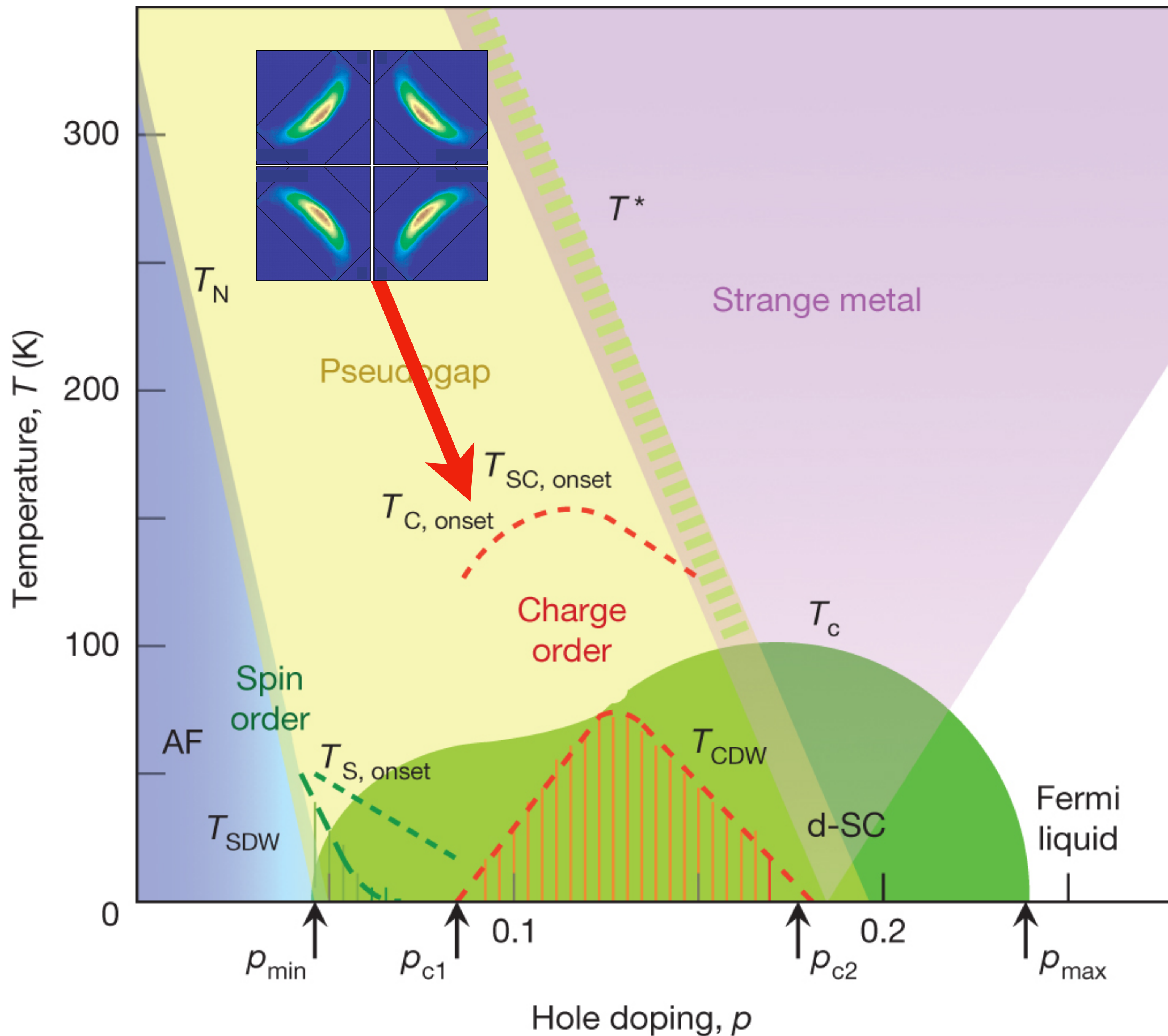
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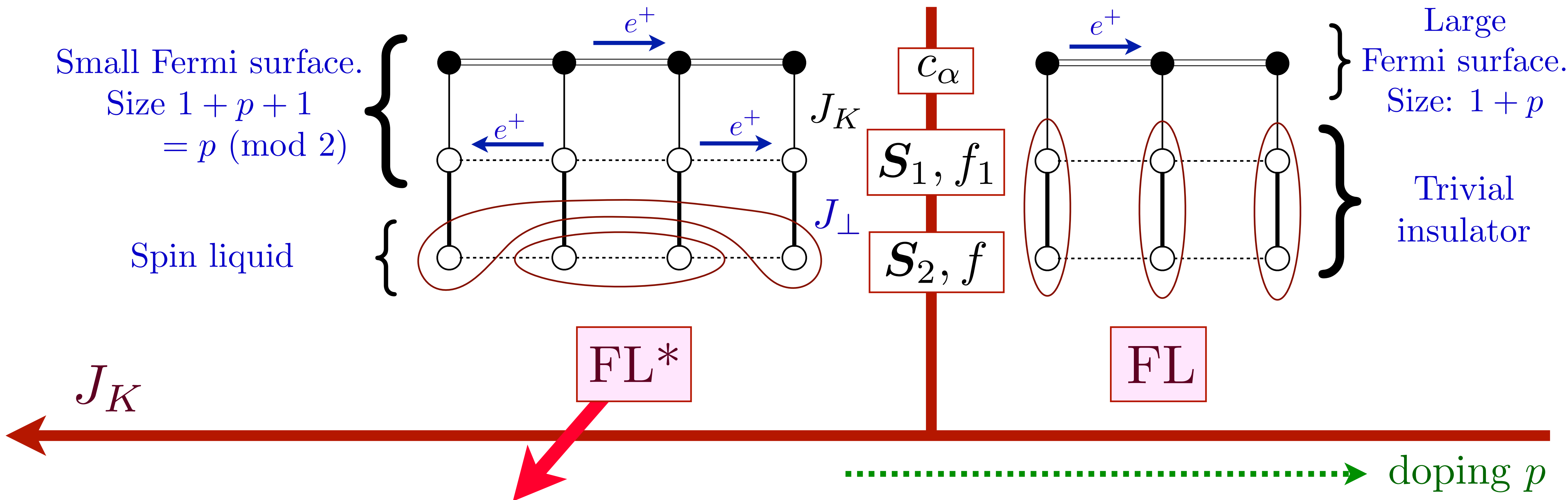
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f_{α} form π -flux spin liquid with $SU(2)_N$ gauge field

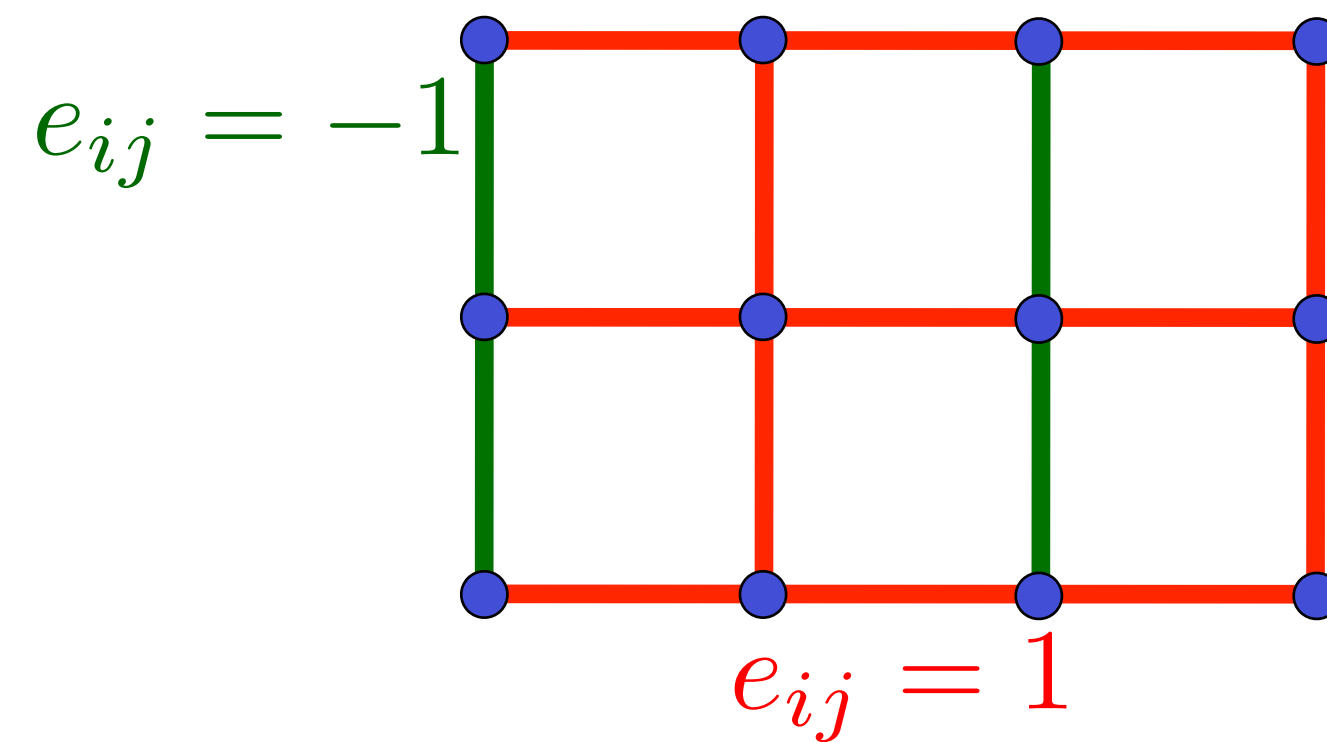
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Boson with same quantum numbers in X.-G. Wen and P.A. Lee, PRL **76**, 503 (1996)

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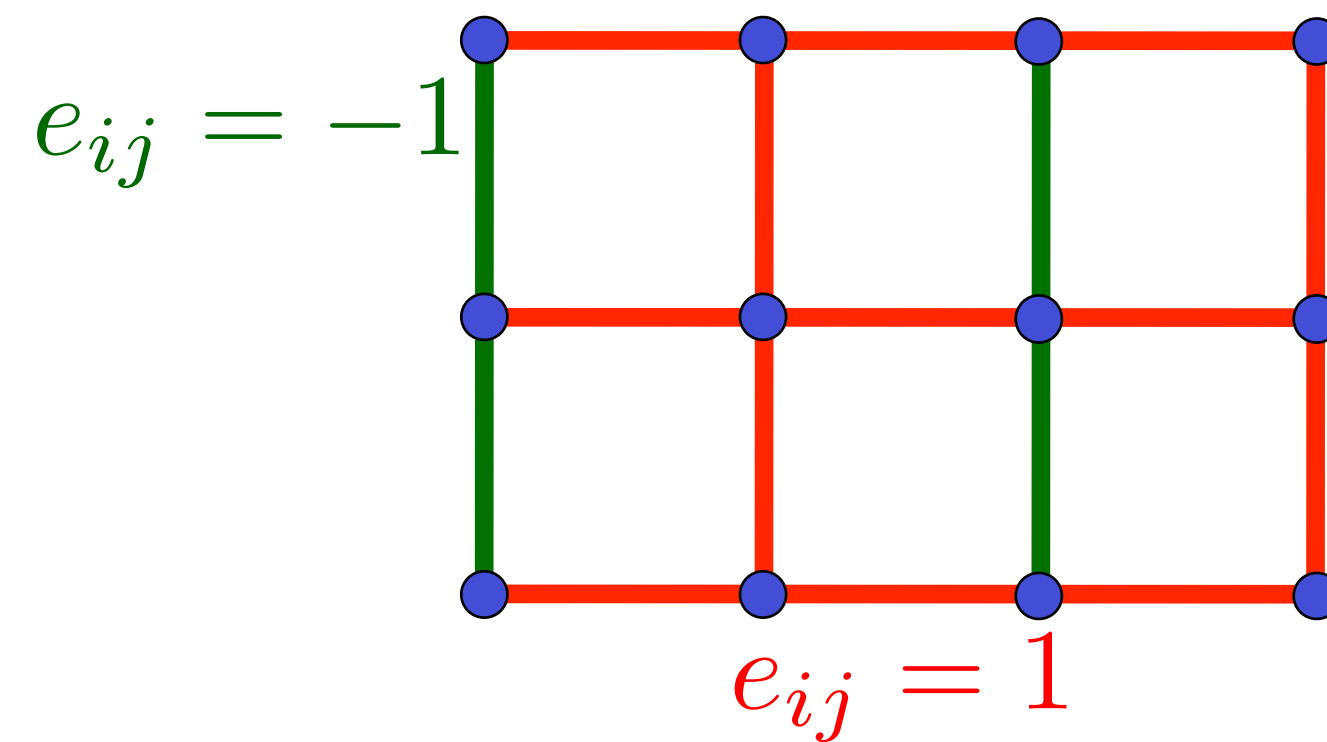


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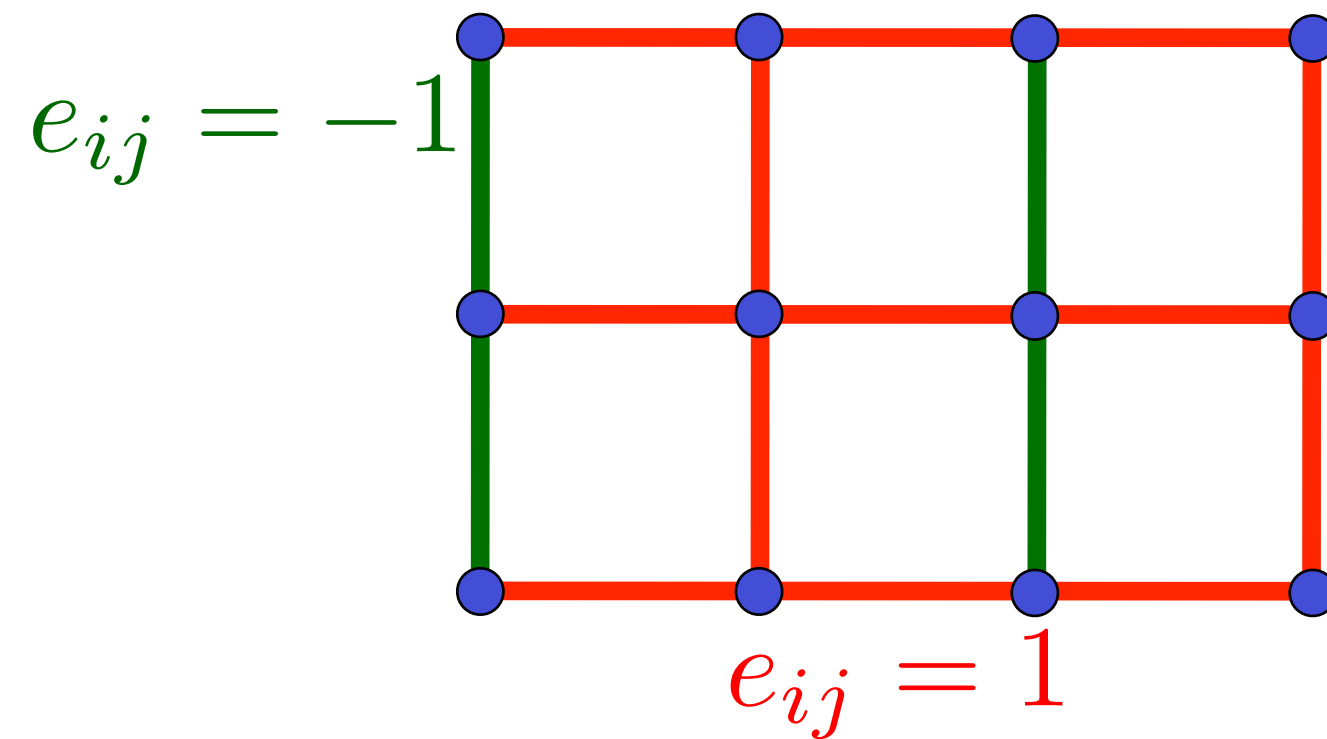


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- The nearest-neighbor effective Hamiltonian for charge e , $SU(2)_N$ fundamental boson B_i is constrained by the fact that the composite of B_i and Ψ_i is an electron:

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

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$$\mathcal{L}(B) = H_B + \frac{u}{2} \sum_i \rho_i^2 + V_1 \sum_i \rho_i (\rho_{i+\hat{x}} + \rho_{i+\hat{y}}) + g \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} |\Delta_{ij}|^2$$

$$+ J_1 \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} Q_{ij}^2 + K_1 \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} J_{ij}^2.$$

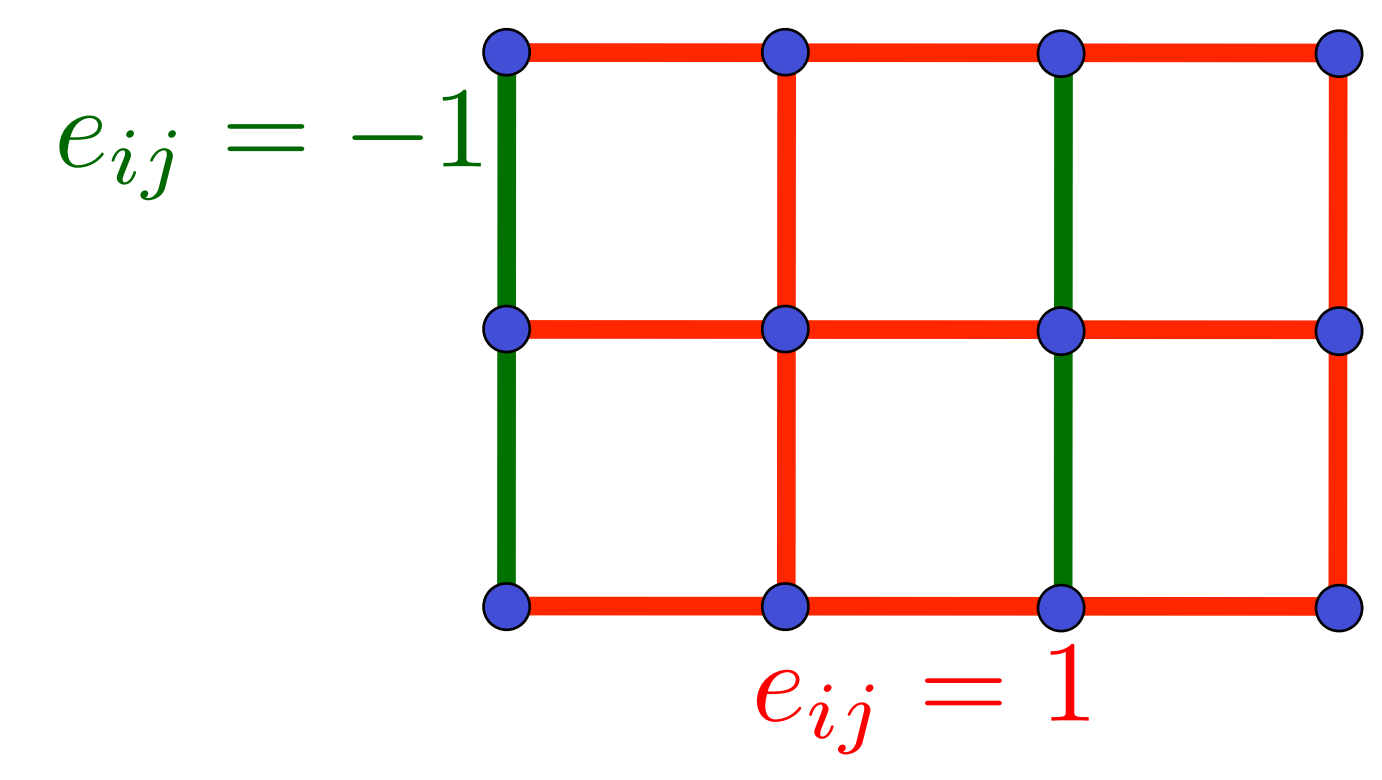
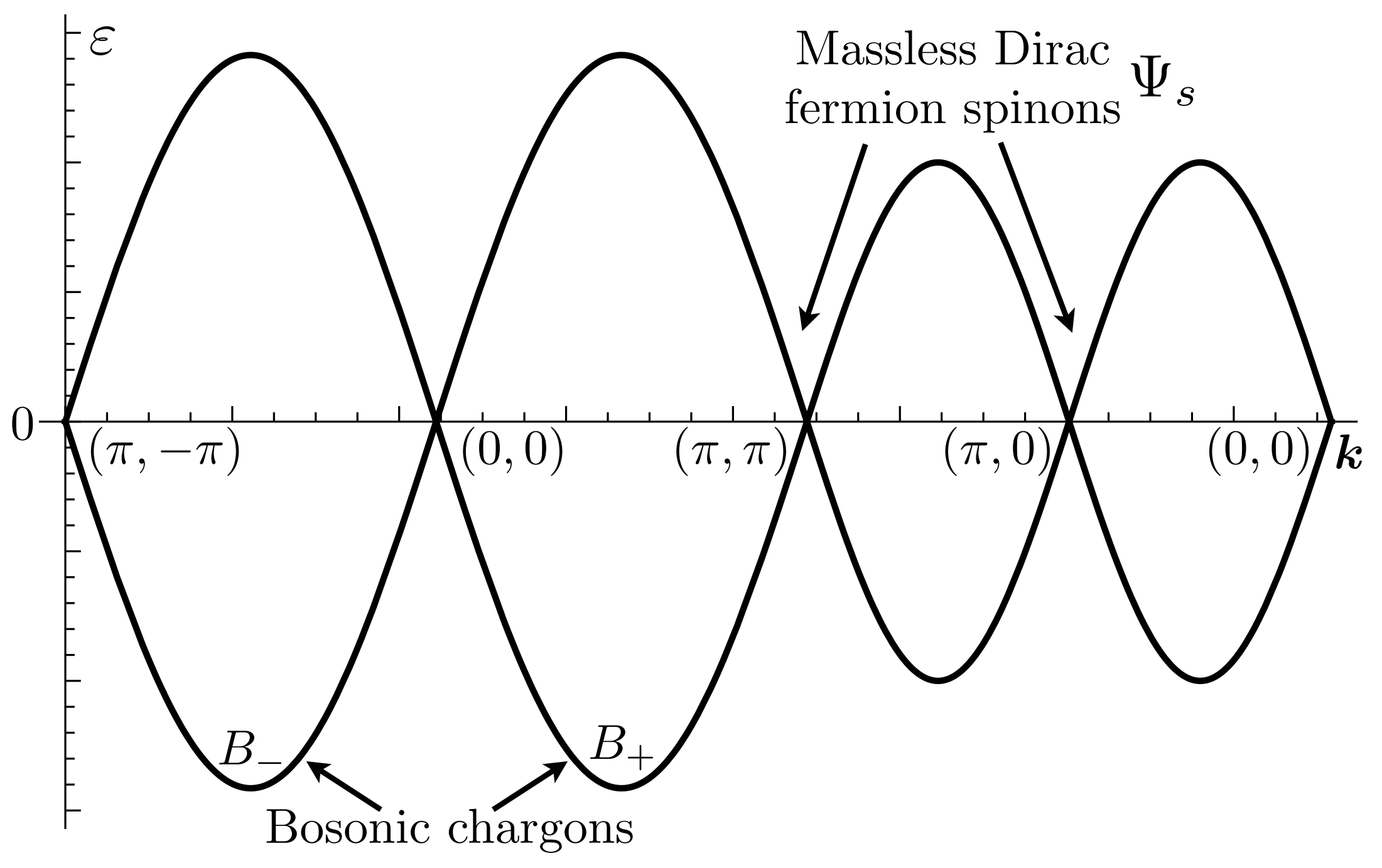
site charge density: $\langle c_{i\alpha}^\dagger c_{i\alpha} \rangle \sim \rho_i = B_i^\dagger B_i$

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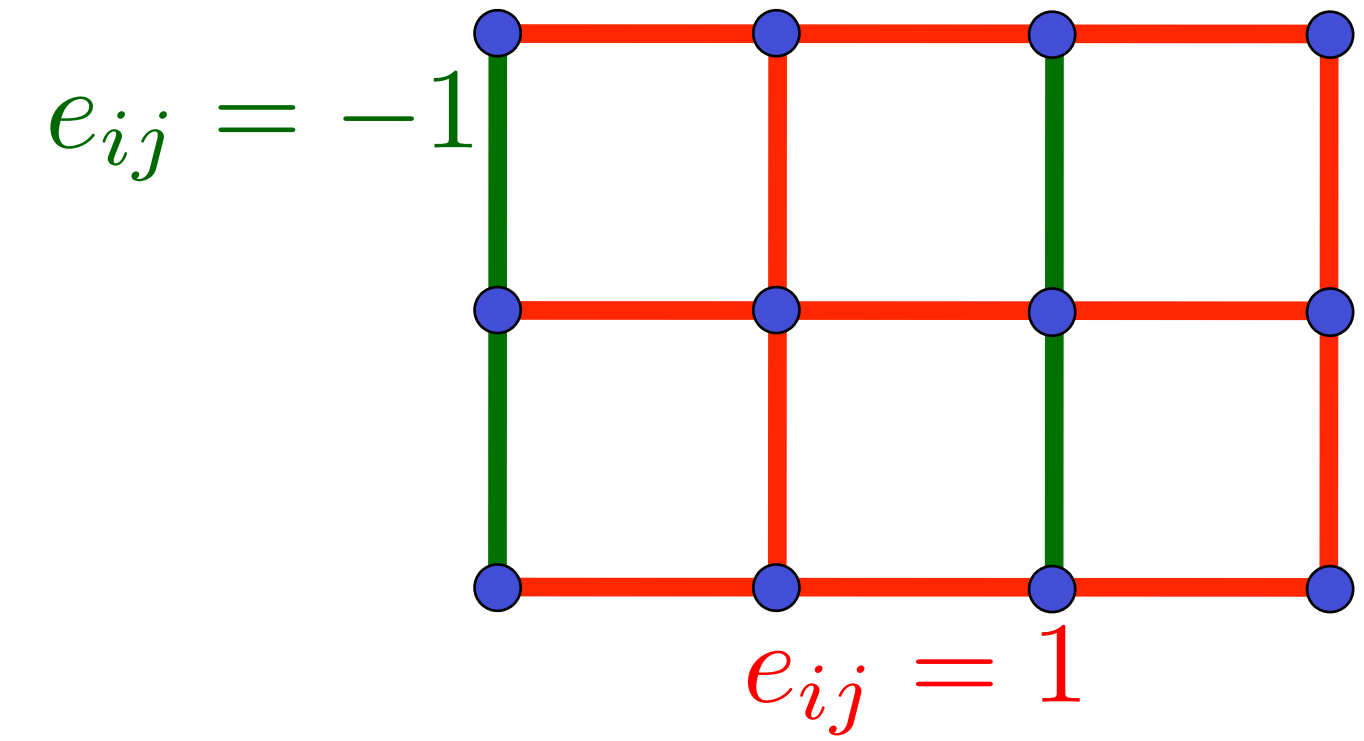
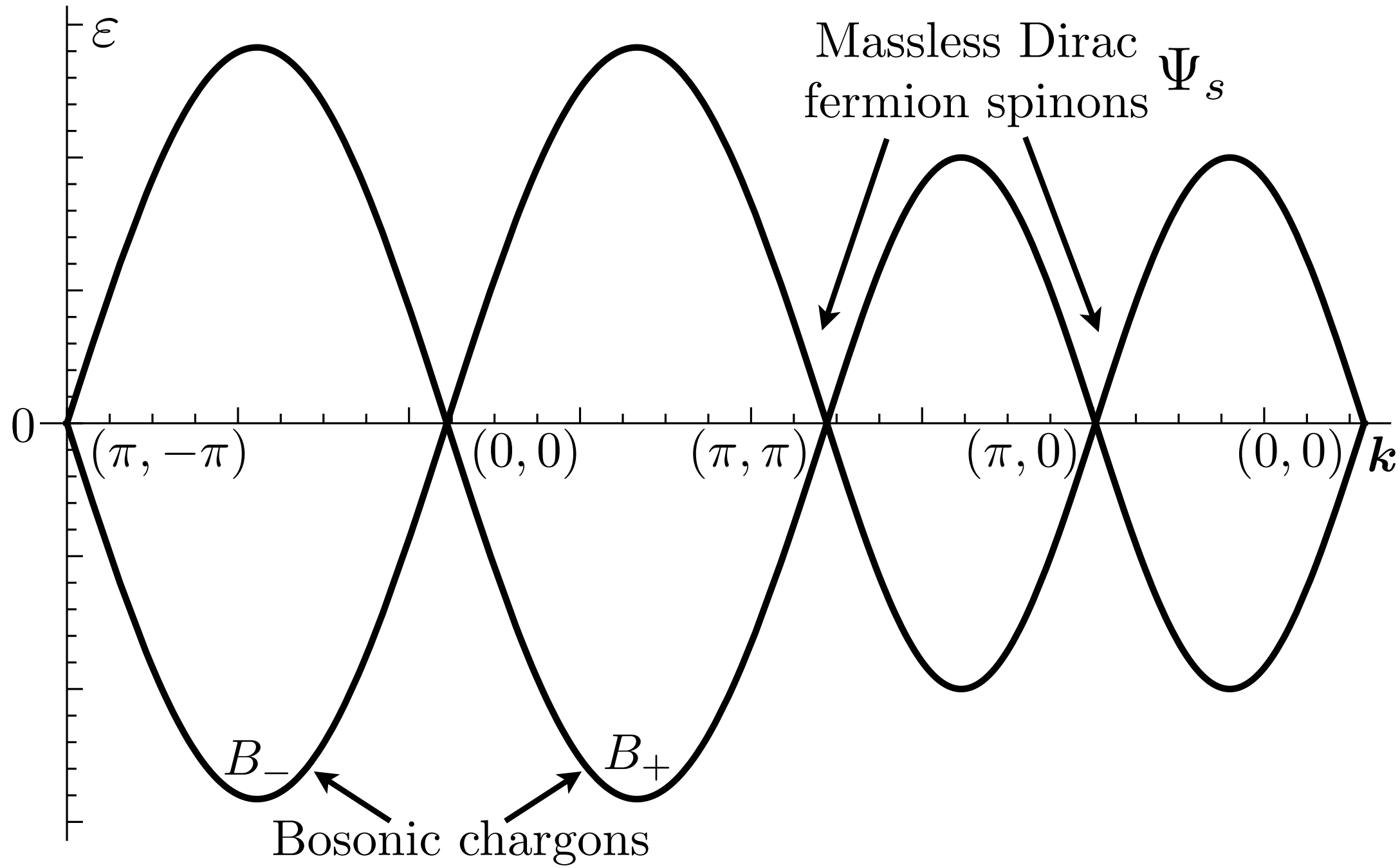
bond current: $i \langle c_{i\alpha}^\dagger c_{j\alpha} - c_{j\alpha}^\dagger c_{i\alpha} \rangle \sim J_{ij} = -J_{ji} = \text{Re} \left(B_i^\dagger e_{ij} U_{ij} B_j \right)$

Pairing: $\langle \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta} c_{i\alpha} c_{j\beta} \rangle \sim \Delta_{ij} = \Delta_{ji} = \varepsilon_{ab} B_{ai} e_{ij} U_{ij} B_{bj}.$

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$SU(2)_N$ gauge-invariant and $SU(2)$ spin invariant order parameters of Higgs phases:

$$x\text{-CDW} : \rho_{(\pi,0)} = B_{a+}^* B_{a+} - B_{a-}^* B_{a-}$$

$$y\text{-CDW} : \rho_{(0,\pi)} = B_{a+}^* B_{a-} + B_{a-}^* B_{a+}$$

$$d\text{-density wave} : D = i (B_{a+}^* B_{a-} - B_{a-}^* B_{a+})$$

$$d\text{-wave superconductor} : \Delta = \varepsilon_{ab} B_{a+} B_{b-}$$

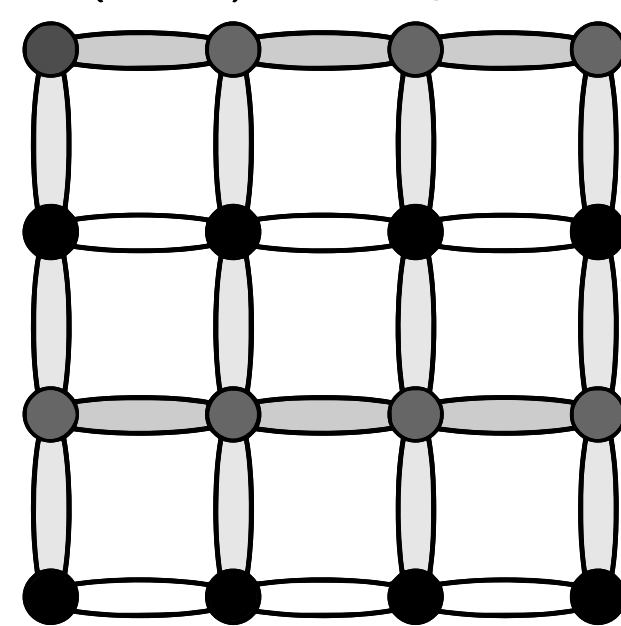
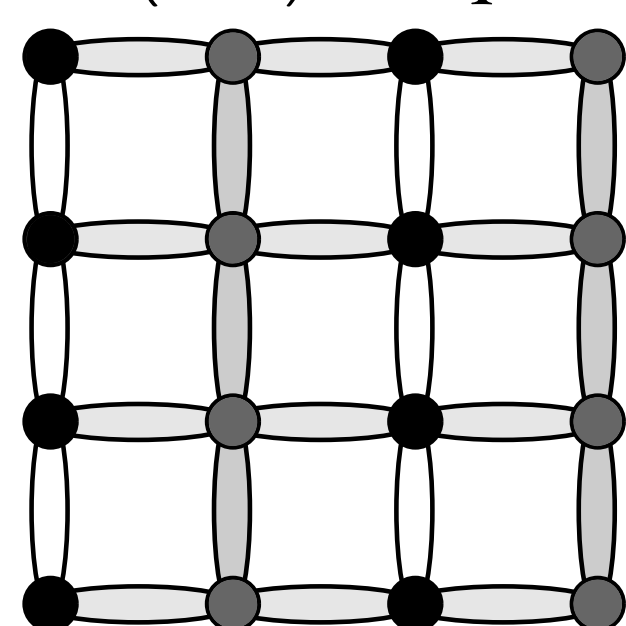
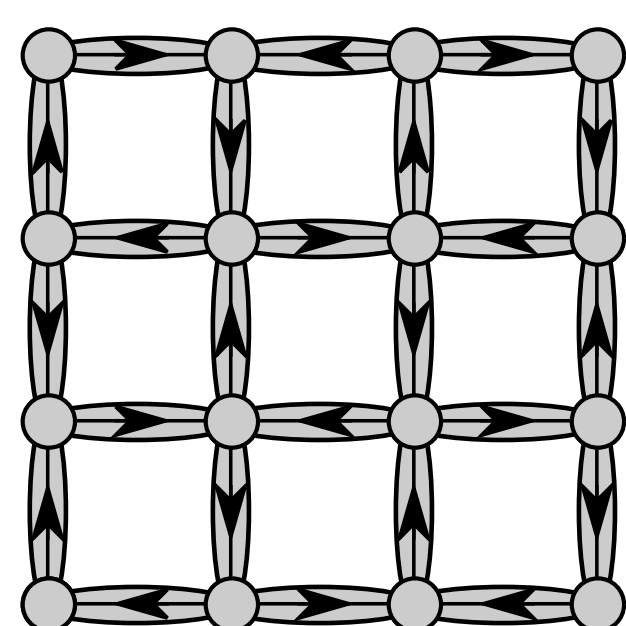
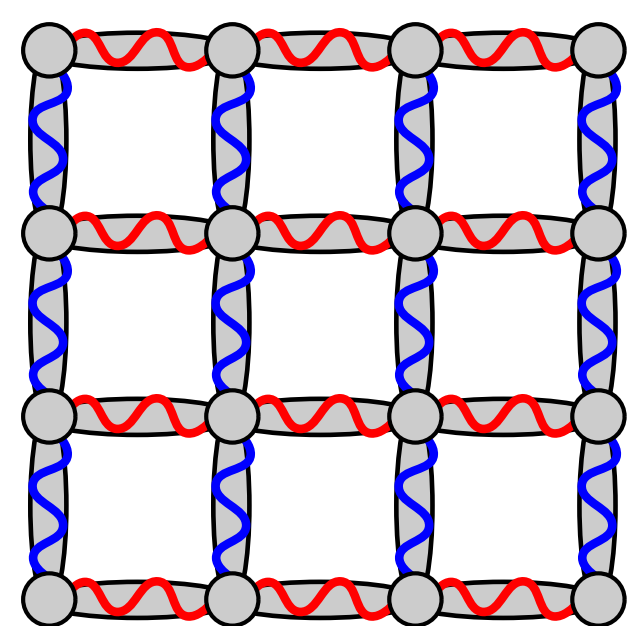
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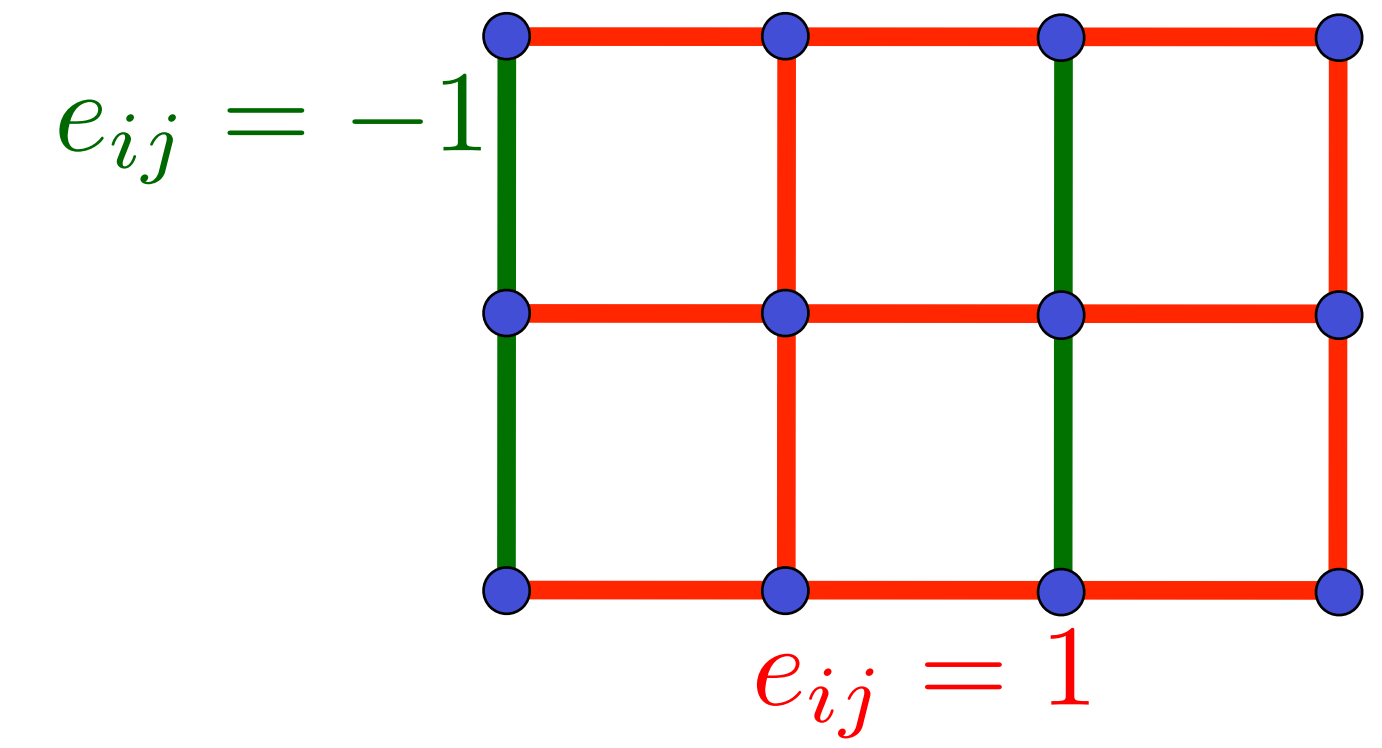
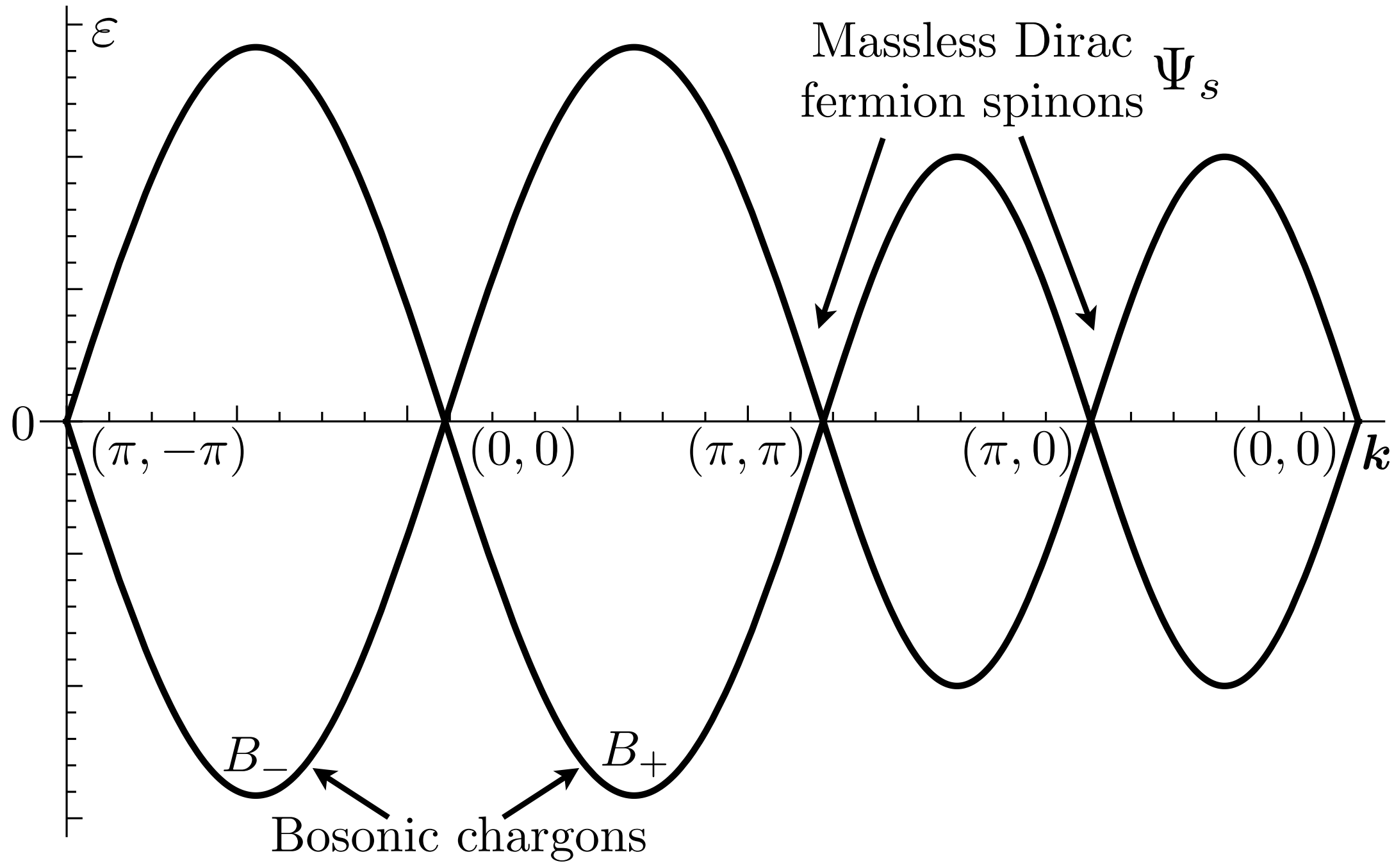
d -density

$(\pi, 0)$ stripe

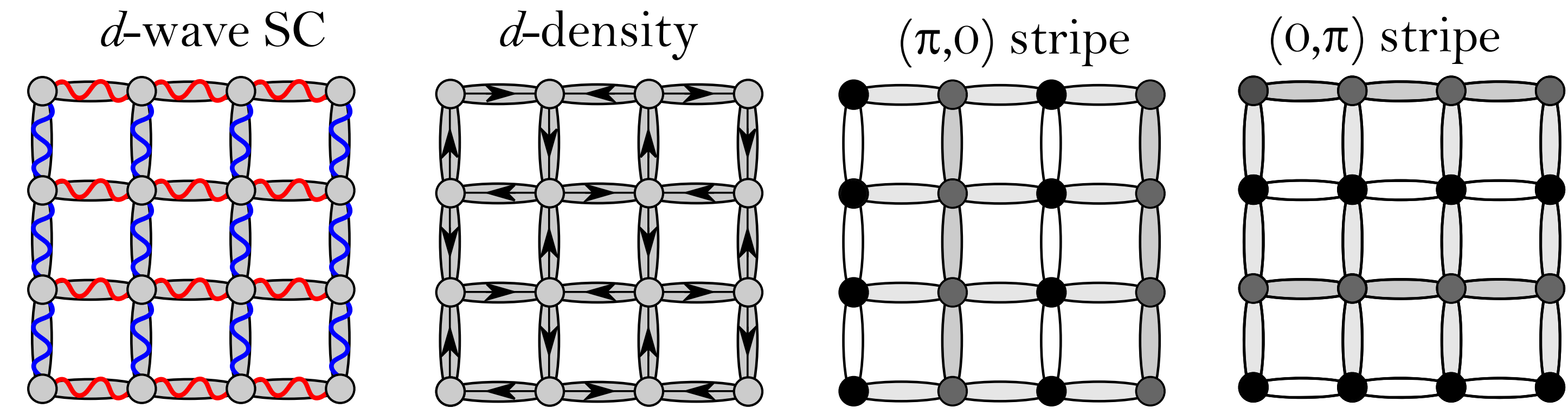
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Confinement of $SU(2)_N$ gauge theory by charge fluctuations

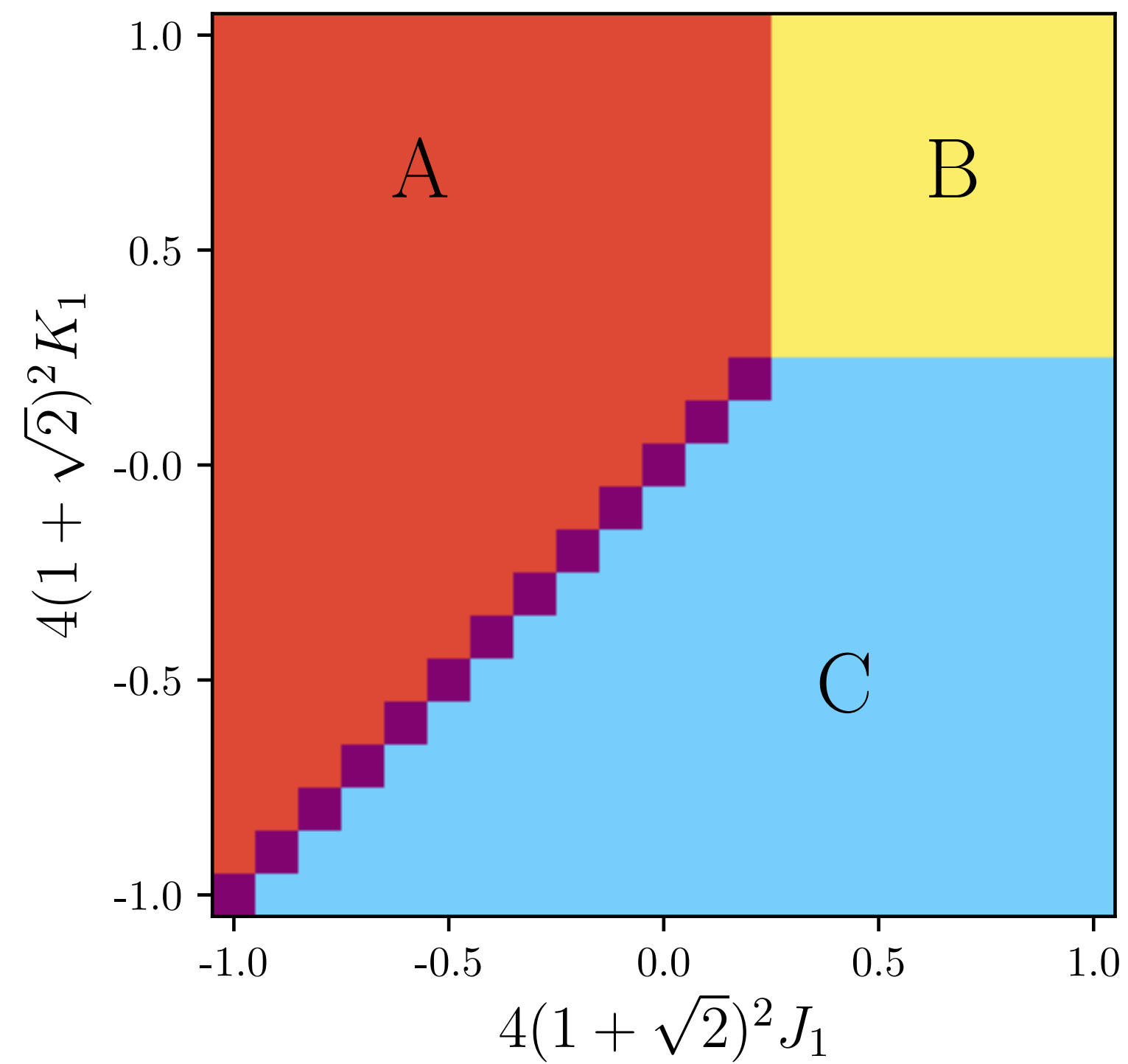


The B_{av} ($a \rightarrow SU(2)_N$ gauge, $v \rightarrow$ valley) are the “square roots” of conventional *d*-wave superconductor, charge density wave, pair density wave
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$$\langle B \rangle \neq 0$$

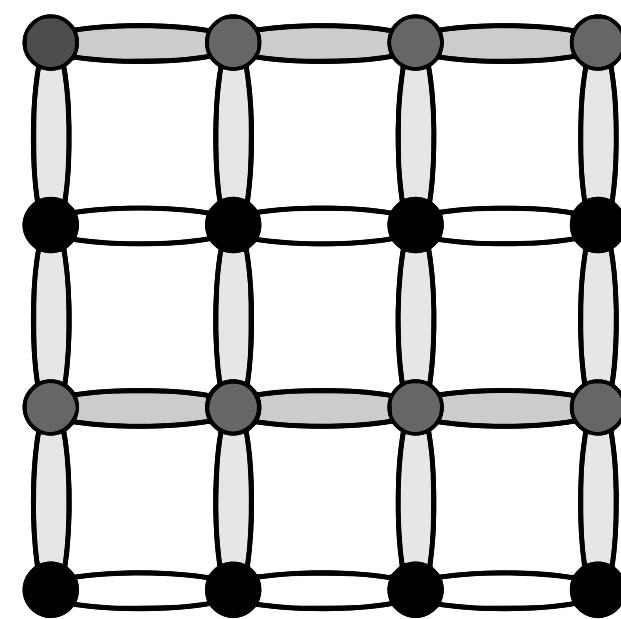
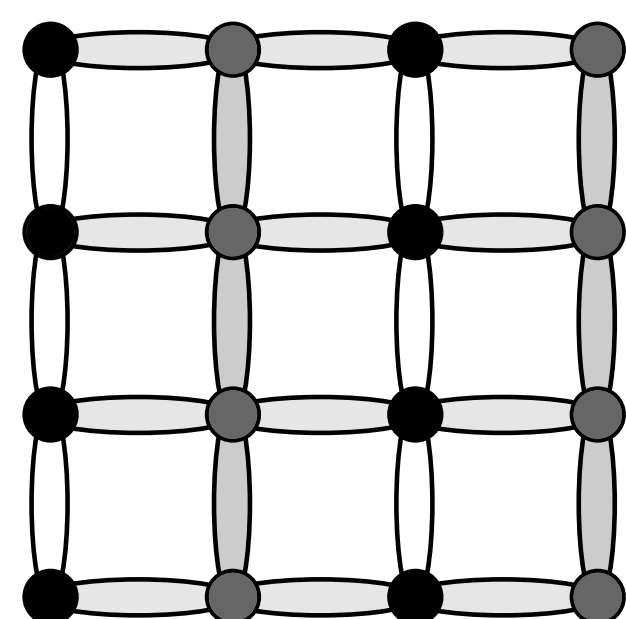
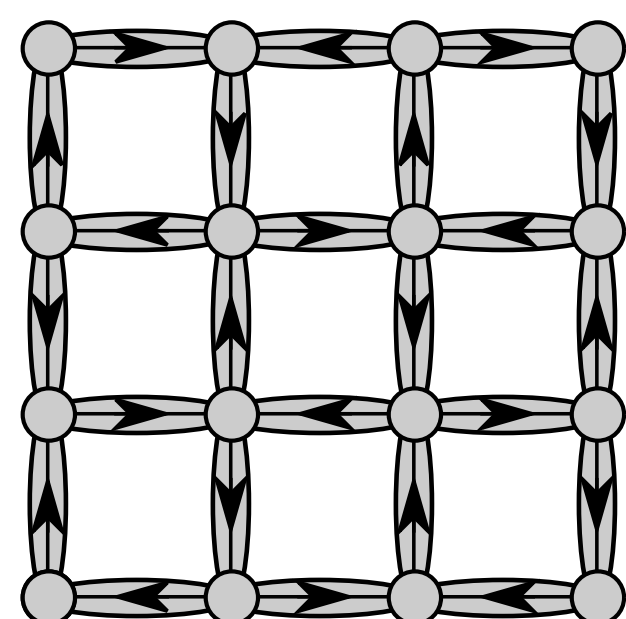
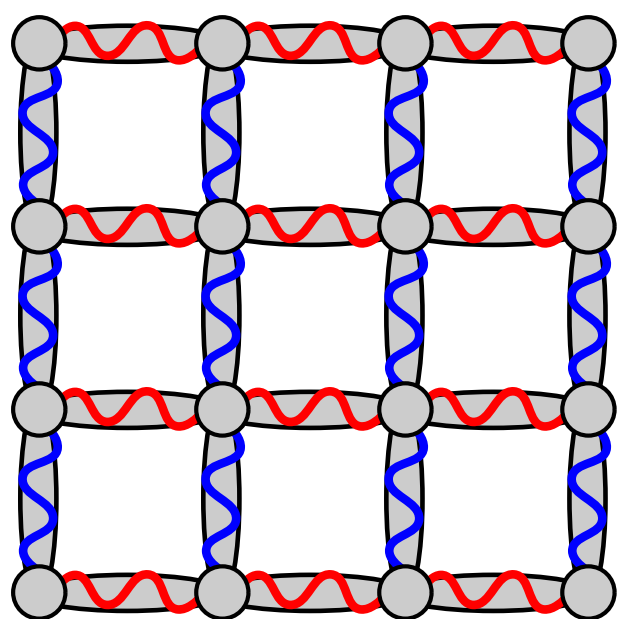


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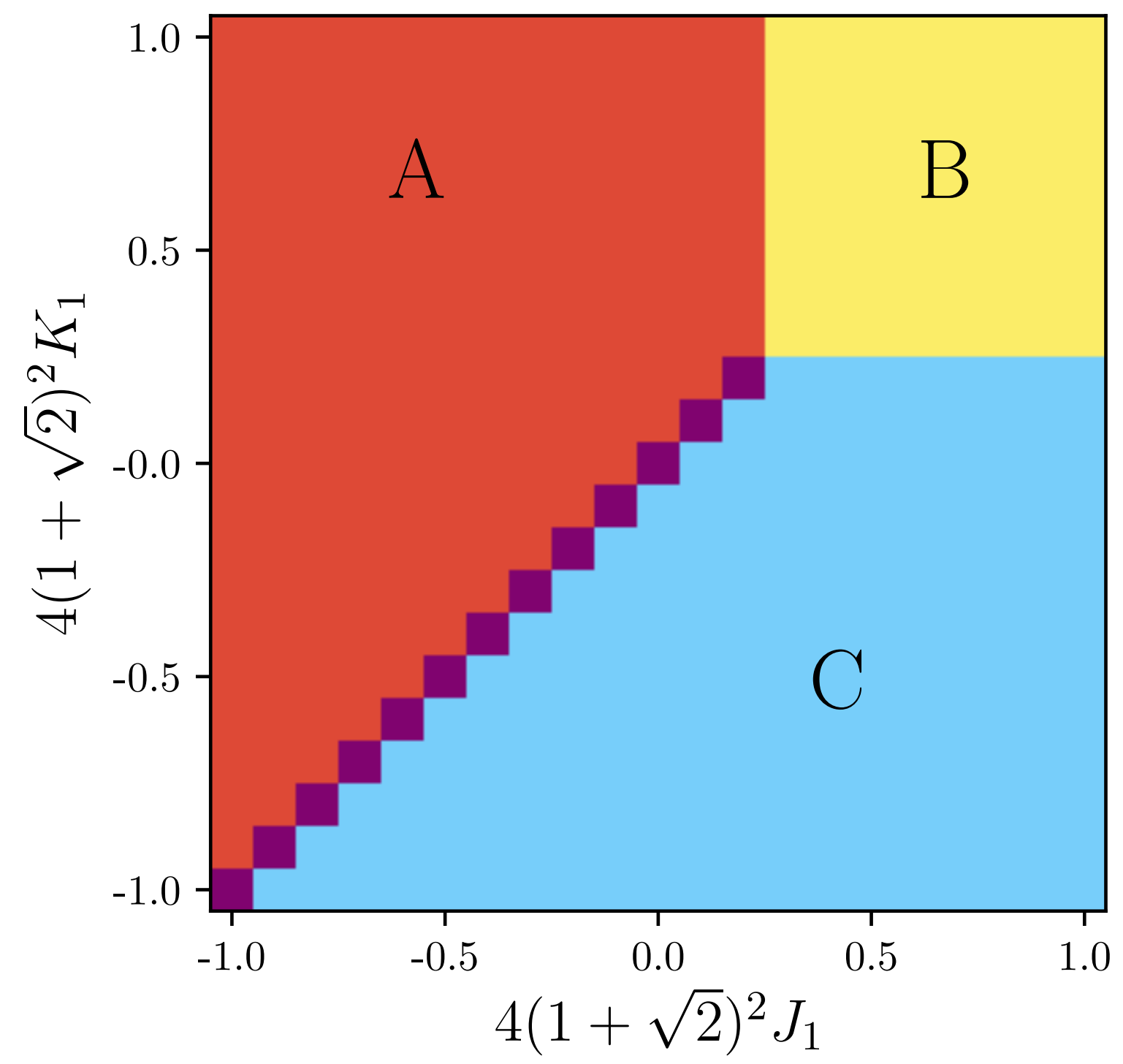
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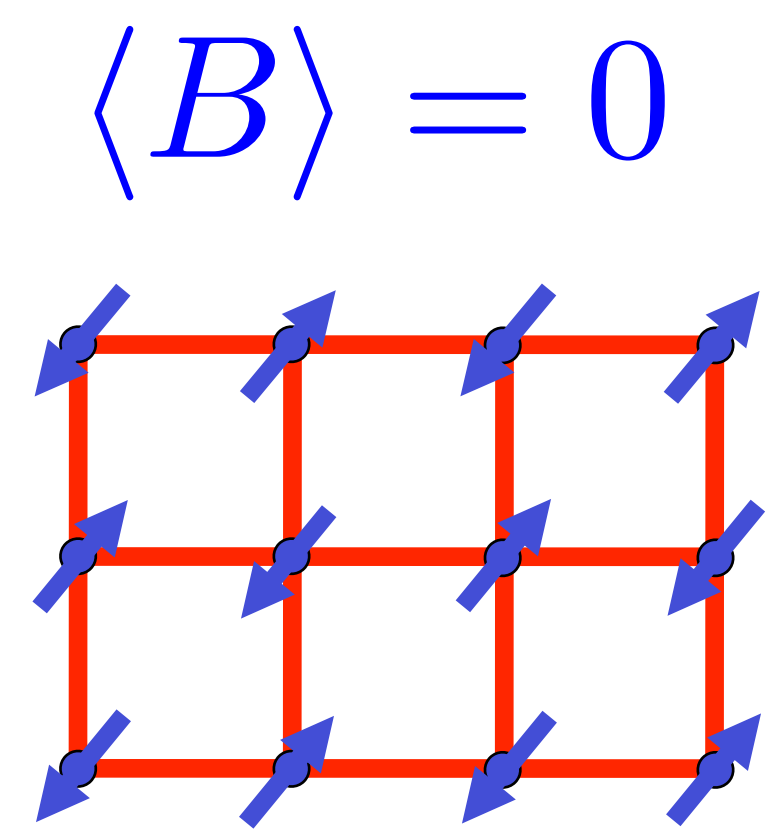
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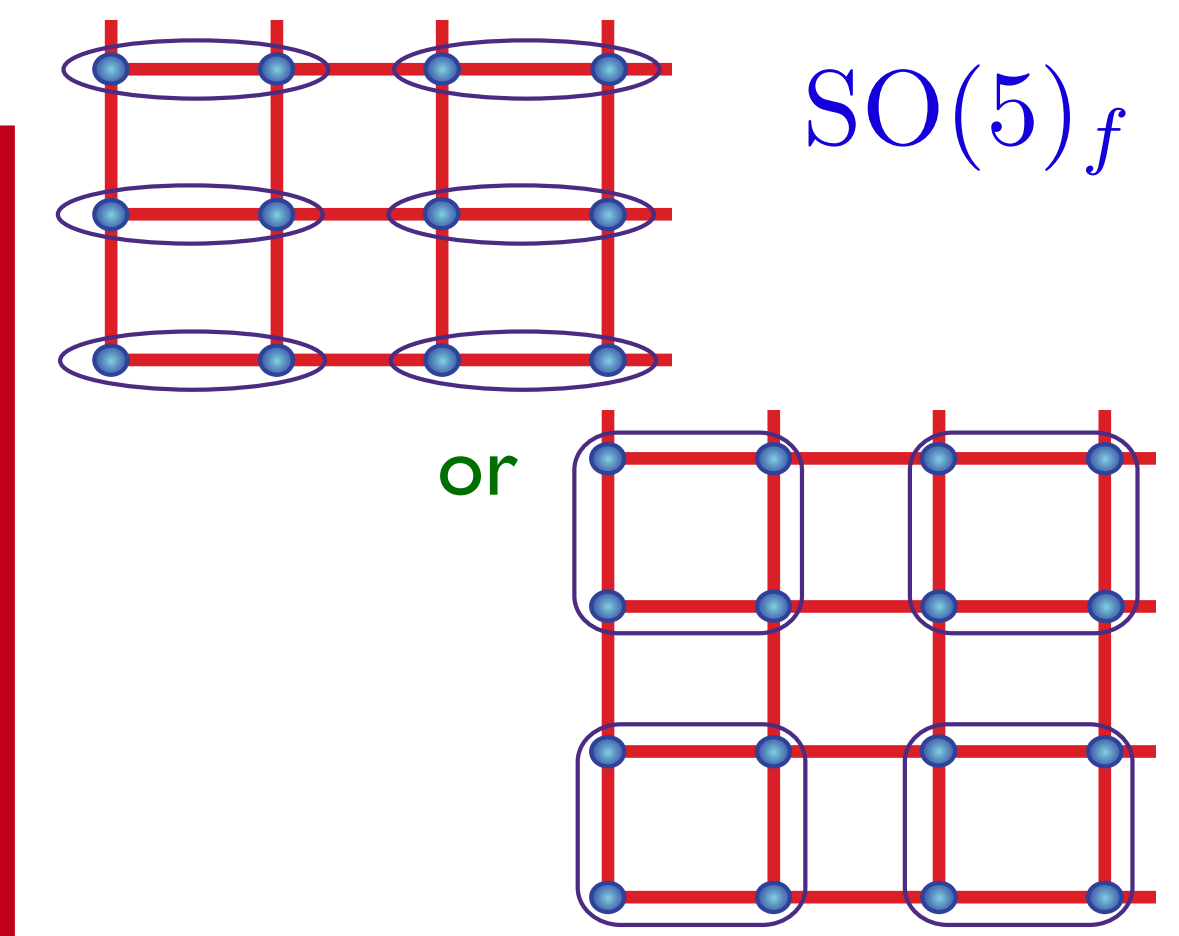
Global phase diagram of $SU(2)_N$ gauge theory



$\langle B \rangle \neq 0$
 $SO(5)_b$



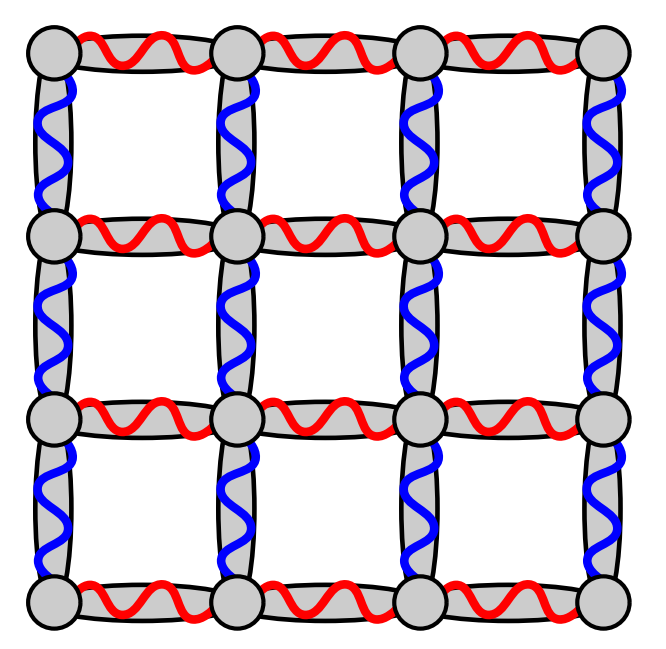
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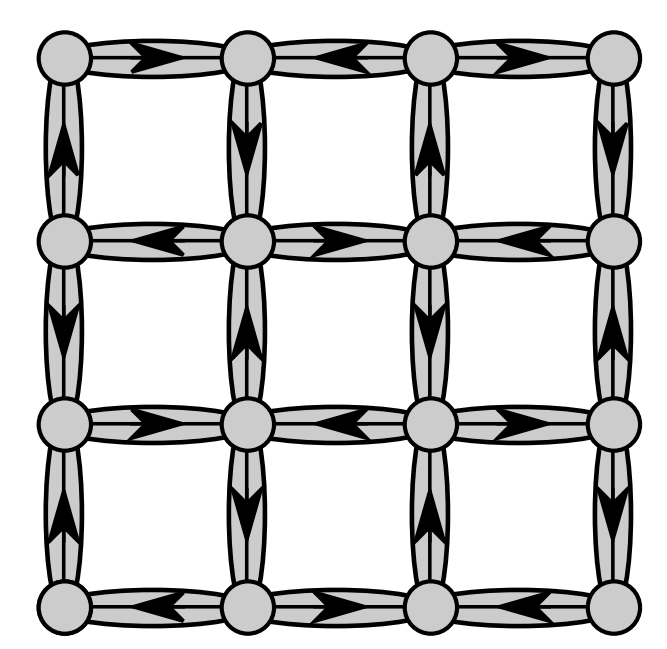
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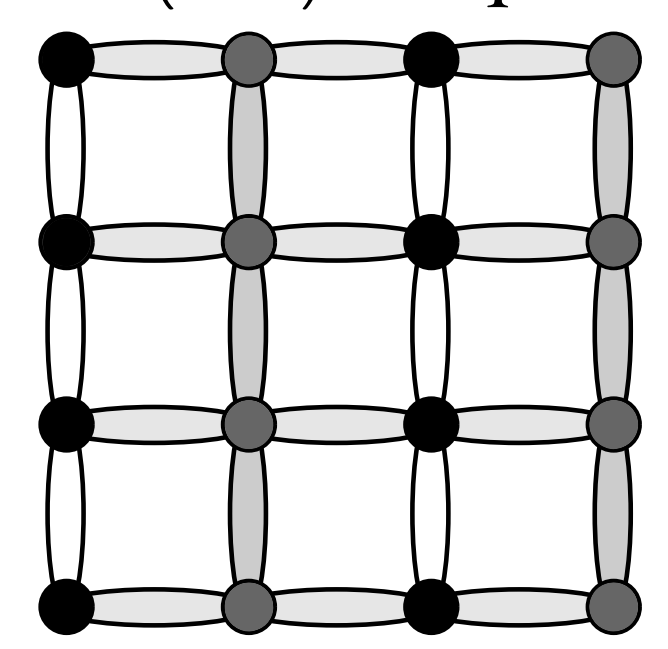
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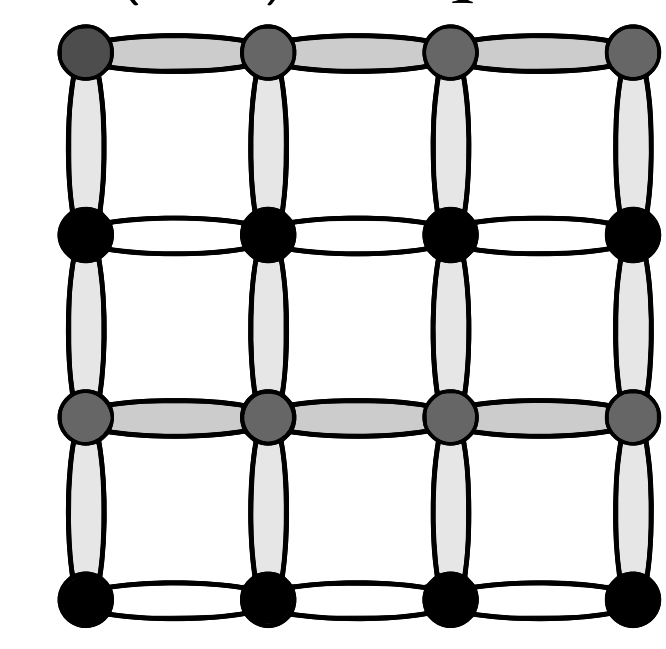
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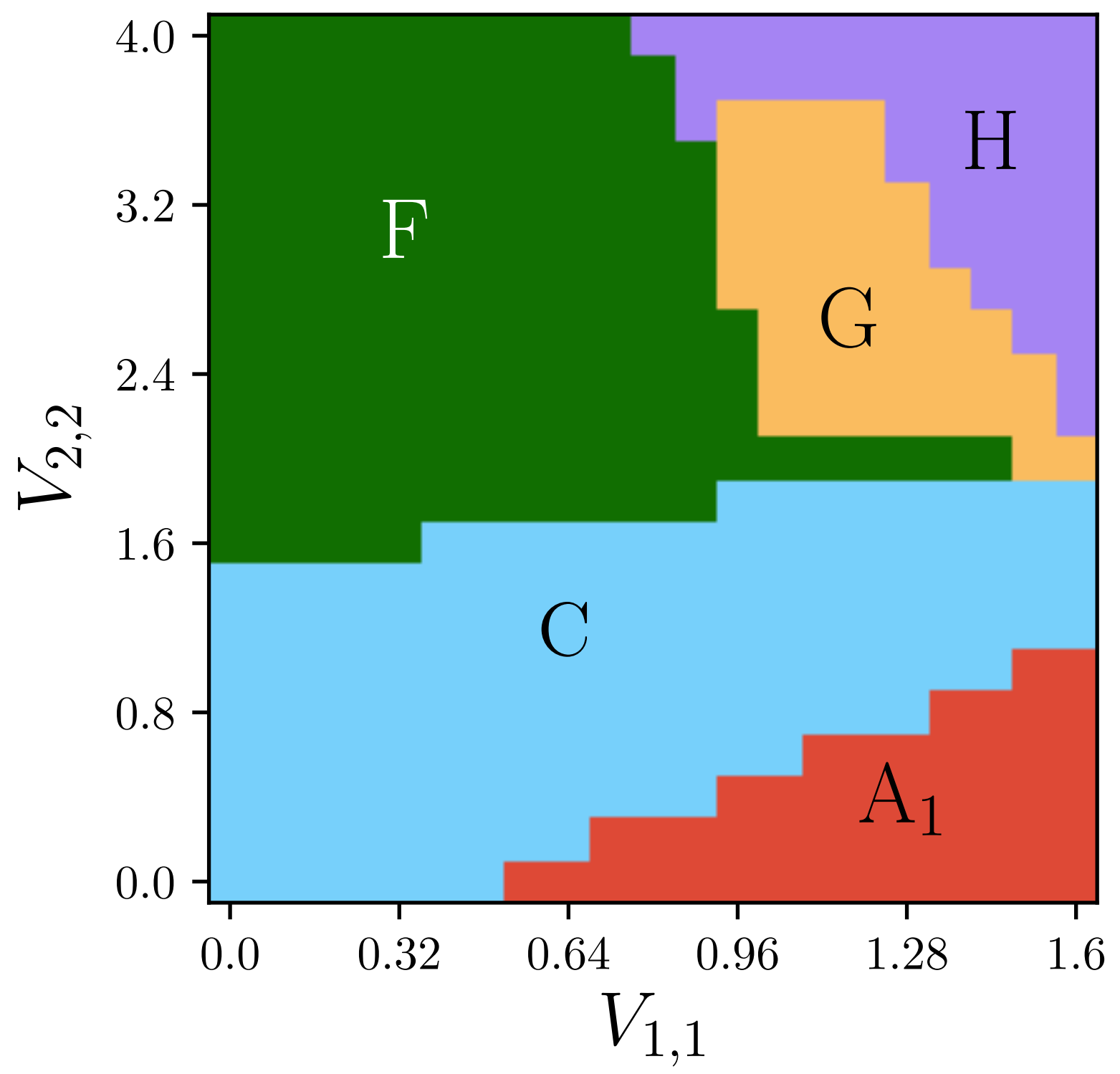
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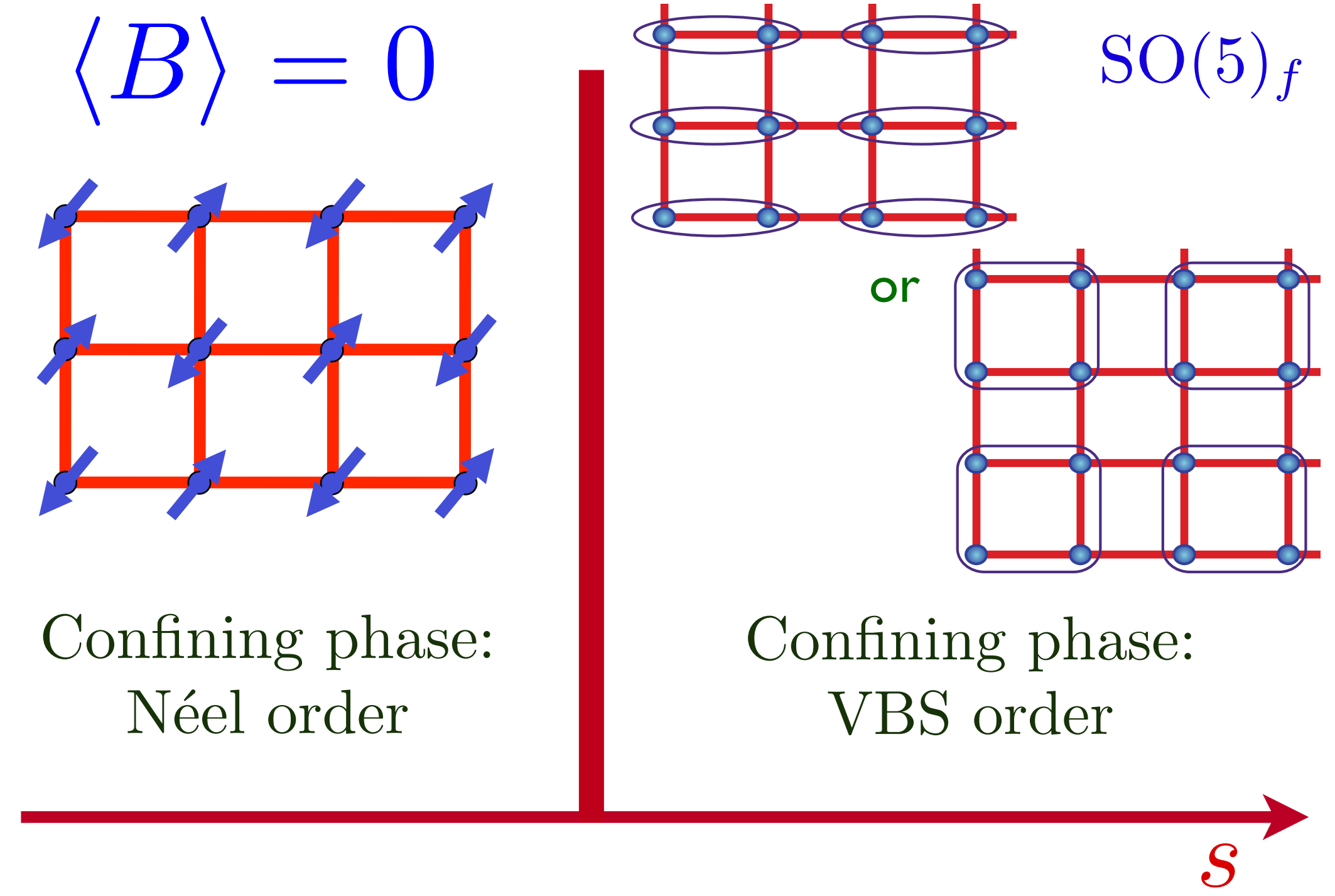


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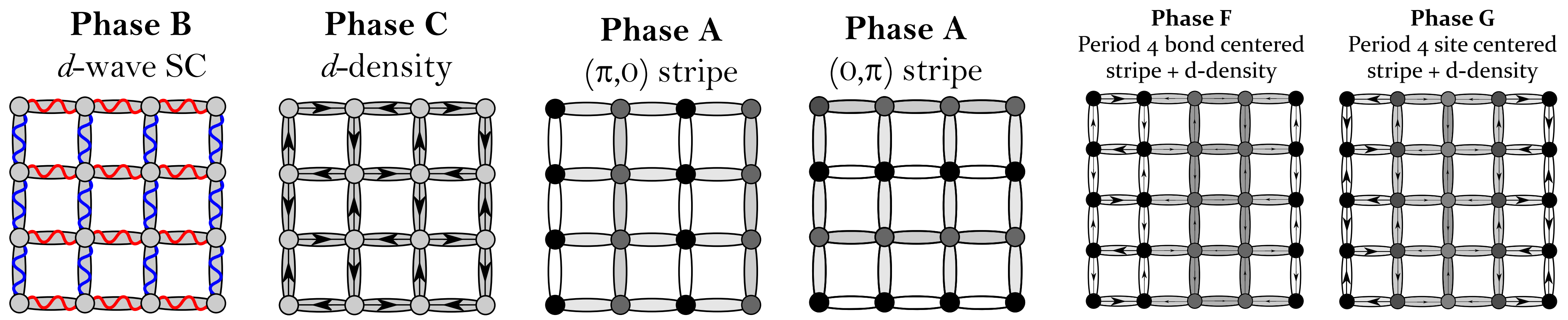


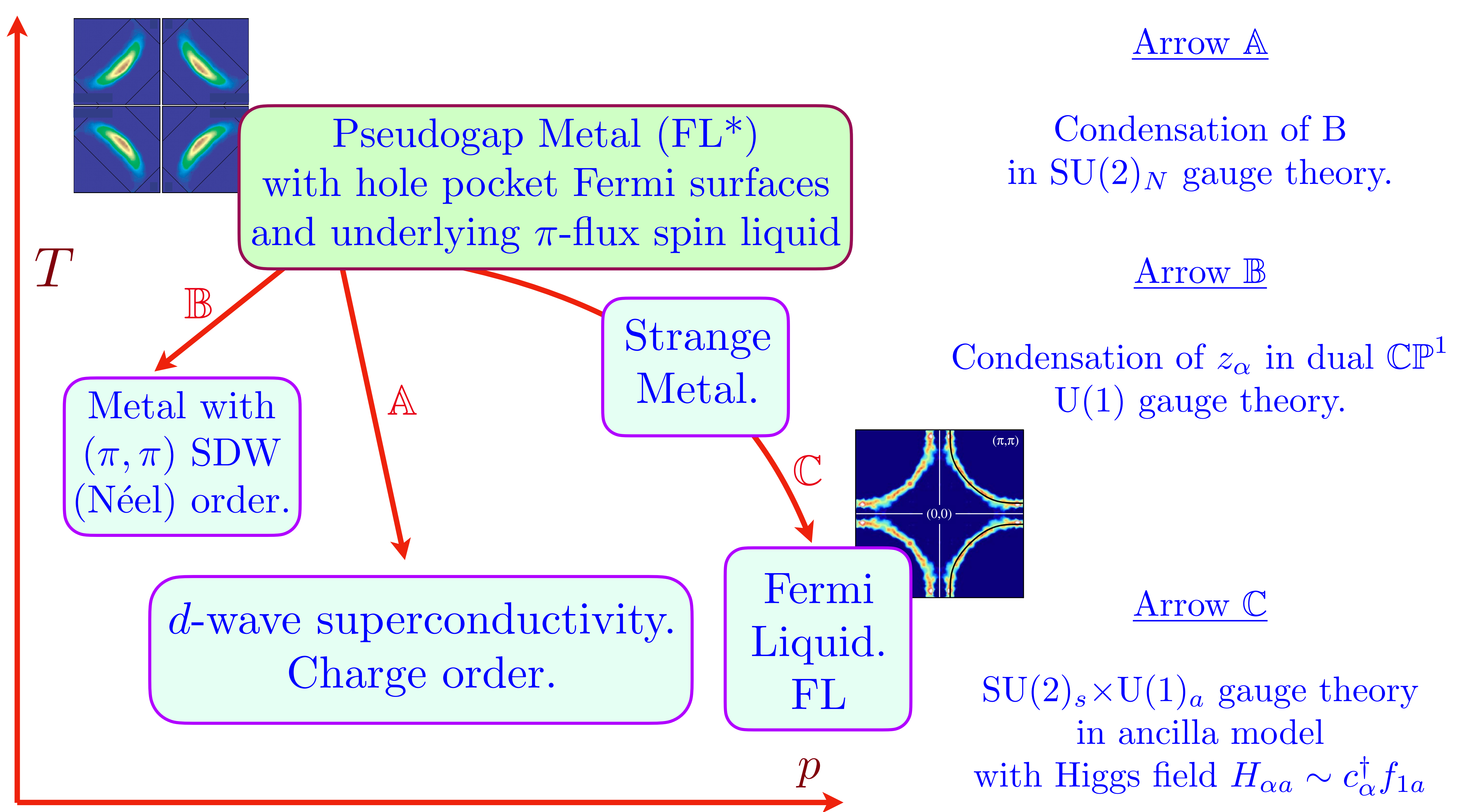
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Including further-neighbor couplings in B



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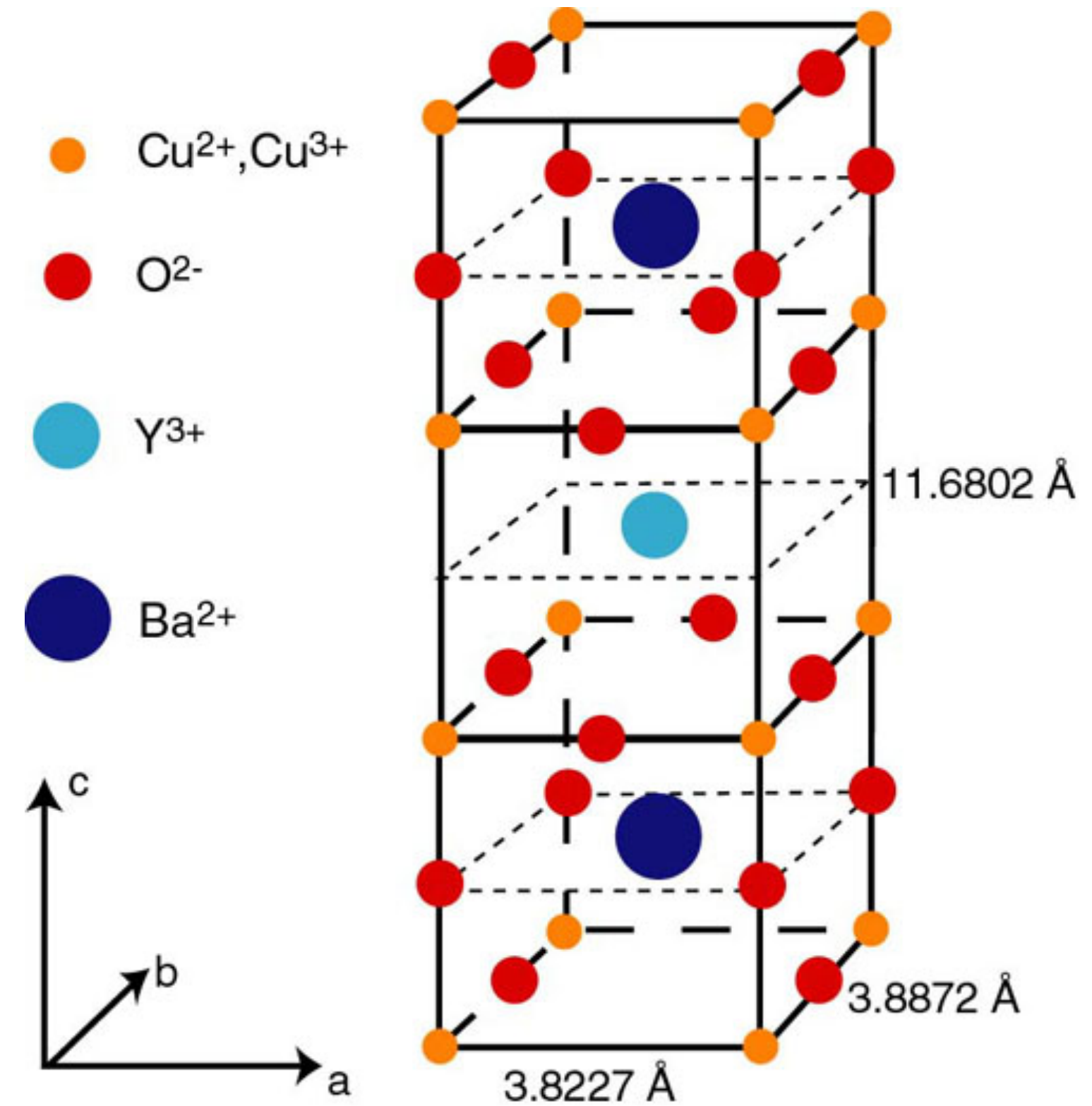
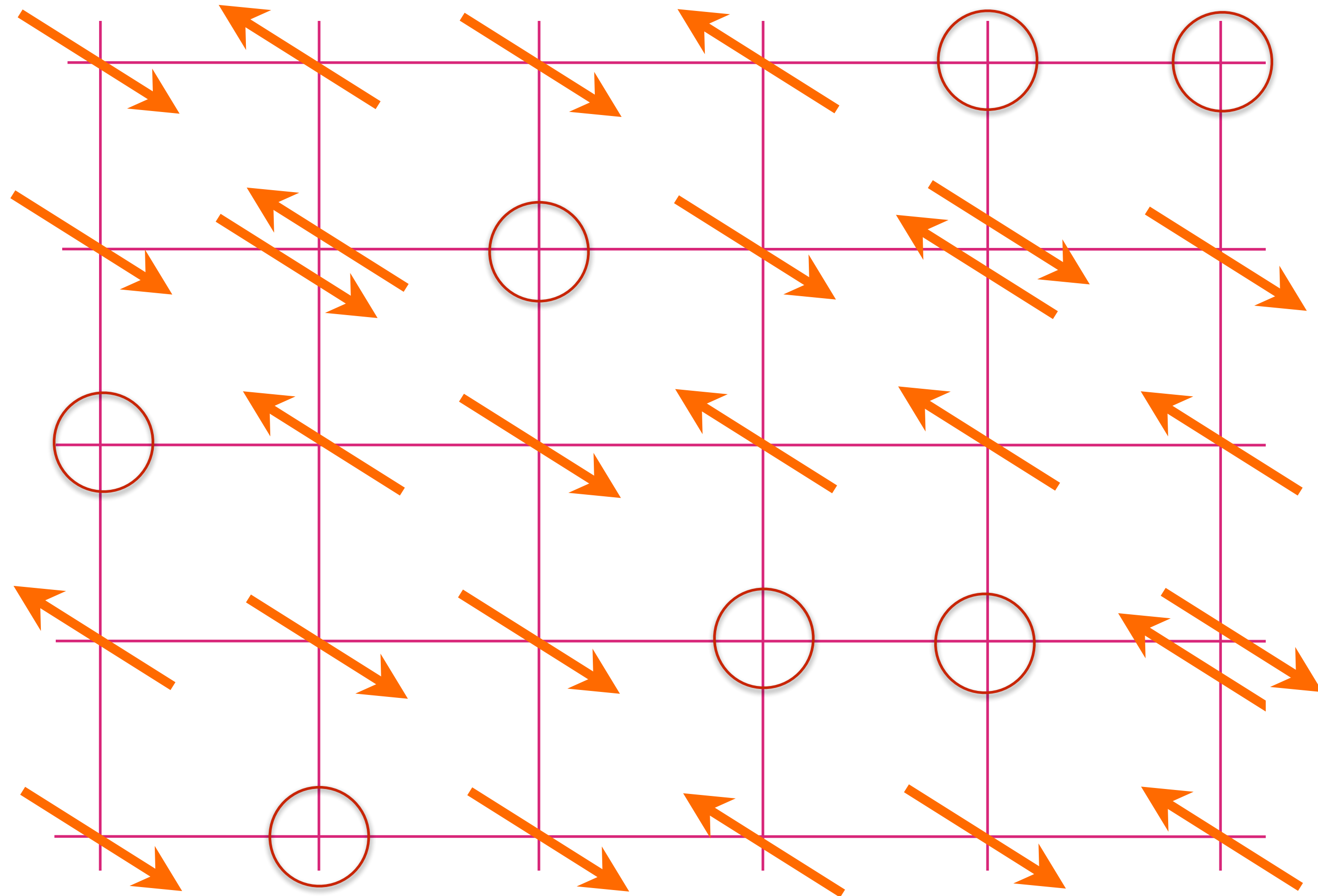


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7. Recap

Square lattice Hubbard model with electron density $1 - p$.

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{Hubbard}} = \sum_{\mathbf{p}} \varepsilon_{\mathbf{p}} c_{\mathbf{p}\alpha}^\dagger c_{\mathbf{p}\alpha} + U \sum_i n_{i\uparrow} n_{i\downarrow} + \dots$$

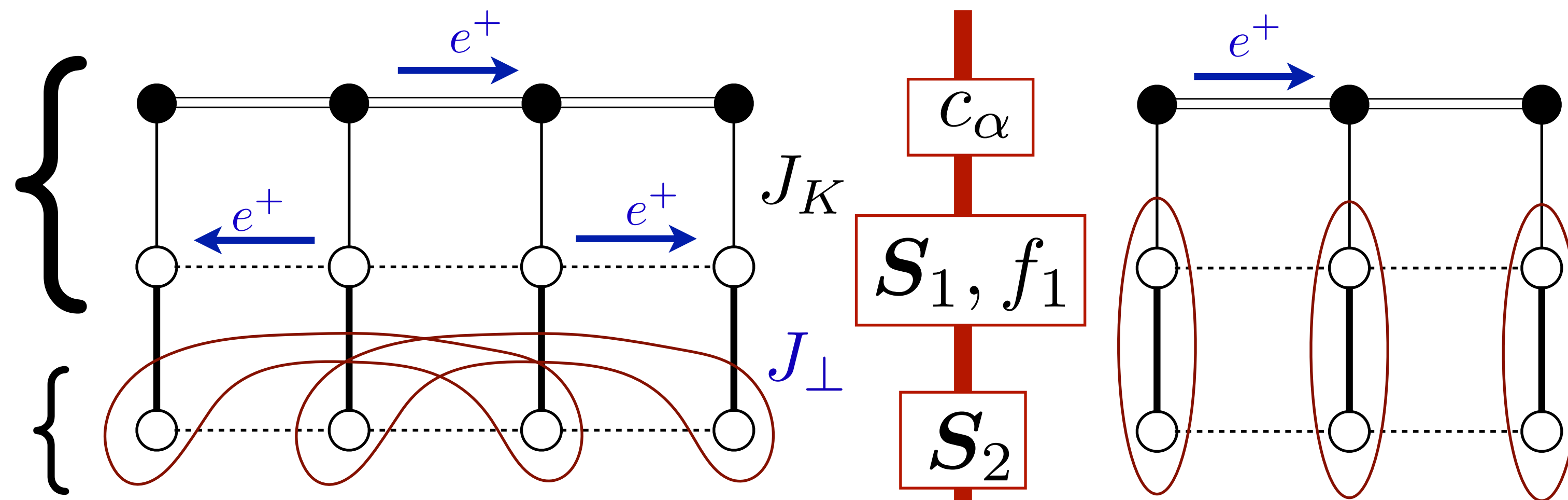


Ancilla theory of the Hubbard model

Ya-Hui Zhang and S. S.,
PRR **2**, 023172 (2020)

Kondo lattice
heavy Fermi liquid.
Size $1 + p + 1$
 $= p \pmod{2}$.
Small Fermi surface!

Spin liquid



Large
Fermi surface.
Size: $1 + p$

Trivial
insulator

FL*

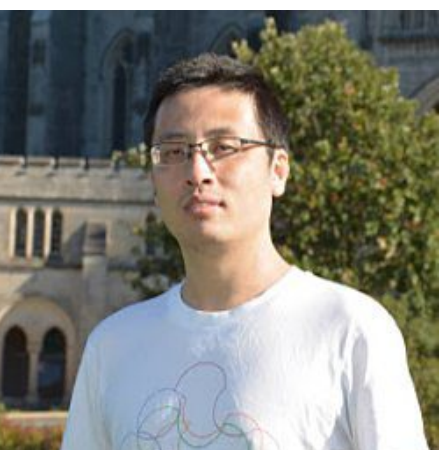
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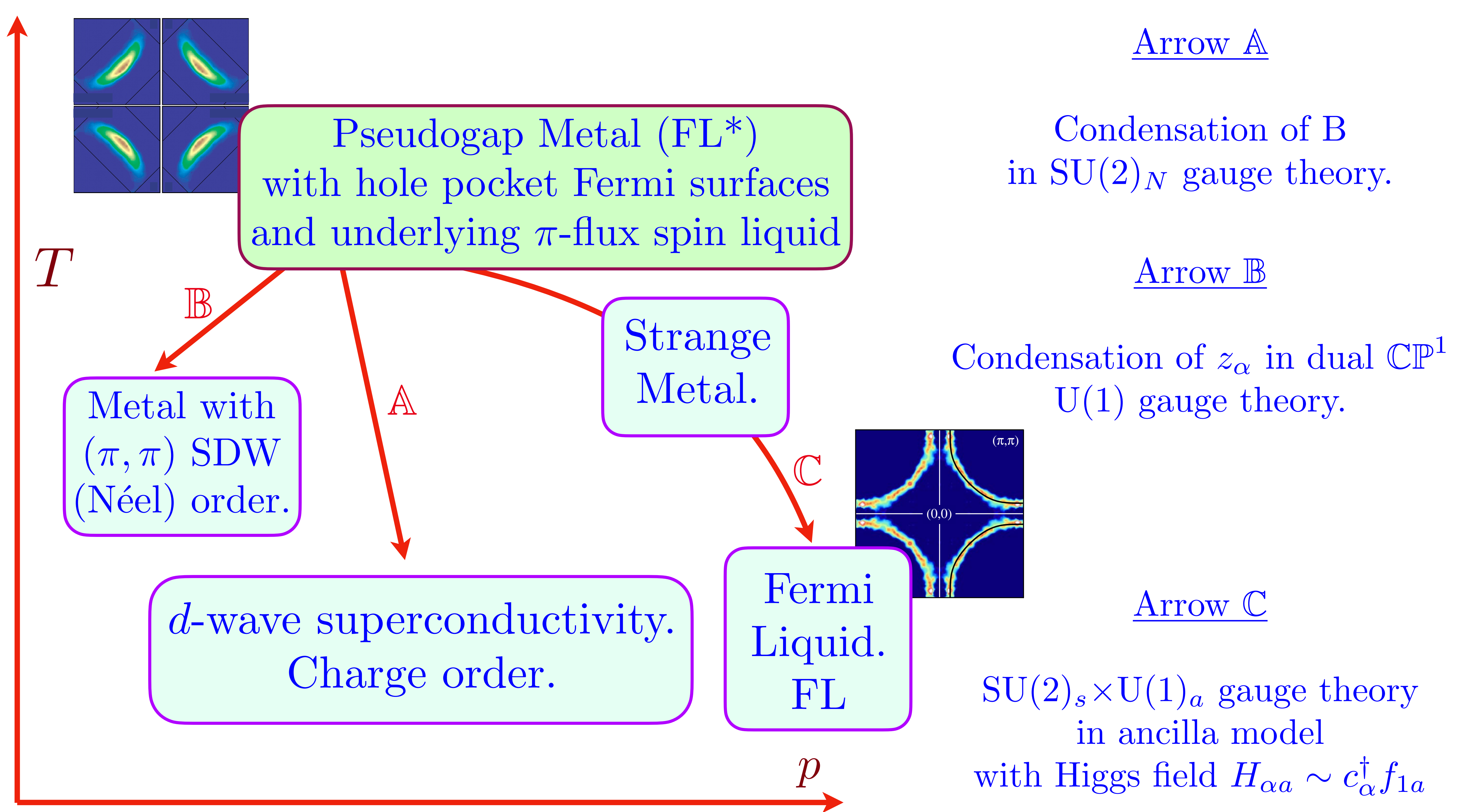
J_K

doping p

Pseudogap metal =
Kondo Lattice Heavy
Fermi Liquid $\langle c_\alpha^\dagger f_{1\alpha} \rangle \neq 0$
 \oplus
Spin Liquid

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Unified $SU(2) \times U(1)$ gauge theory of spinons, electrons and Higgs bosons: uncanny similarities to the Salam-Weinberg-Glashow theory of weak interactions

- The electromagnetic $U(1)$ is effectively global, because $\alpha \ll 1$.
- The fermionic spinons transform as a fundamental of gauge $SU(2)$, with a massless Dirac spectrum

$$H_f = iJ \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} e_{ij} \left(\Psi_i^\dagger U_{ij} \Psi_j - \Psi_j^\dagger U_{ji} \Psi_i \right),$$

where U_{ij} is the (lattice) $SU(2)$ gauge field. The spinons are the analog of the neutrinos

- The Higgs sector has a boson B_i which is fundamental of $SU(2)$

$$H_B = r \sum_i B_i^\dagger B_i + iw \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} e_{ij} \left(B_i^\dagger U_{ij} B_j - B_j^\dagger U_{ji} B_i \right) + \mathcal{O}(B_i^4)$$

- The hole pockets in the nodal region of the Brillouin zone are described by electron $\bar{c}_{i\alpha}$ which have a Yukawa coupling to the spinons and the Higgs field $B_i = (B_{1i}, B_{2i})$:

$$H_Y = \sum_{ij} \bar{t}_{ij} \bar{c}_{i\alpha}^\dagger \bar{c}_{j\alpha} + i \sum_i \left(B_{1i} f_{i\alpha}^\dagger \bar{c}_{i\alpha} - B_{2i} \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta} f_{i\alpha} \bar{c}_{i\beta} \right) + \text{H.c.}$$