

Entanglement in quantum matter: spin liquids and Sachdev-Ye-Kitaev models

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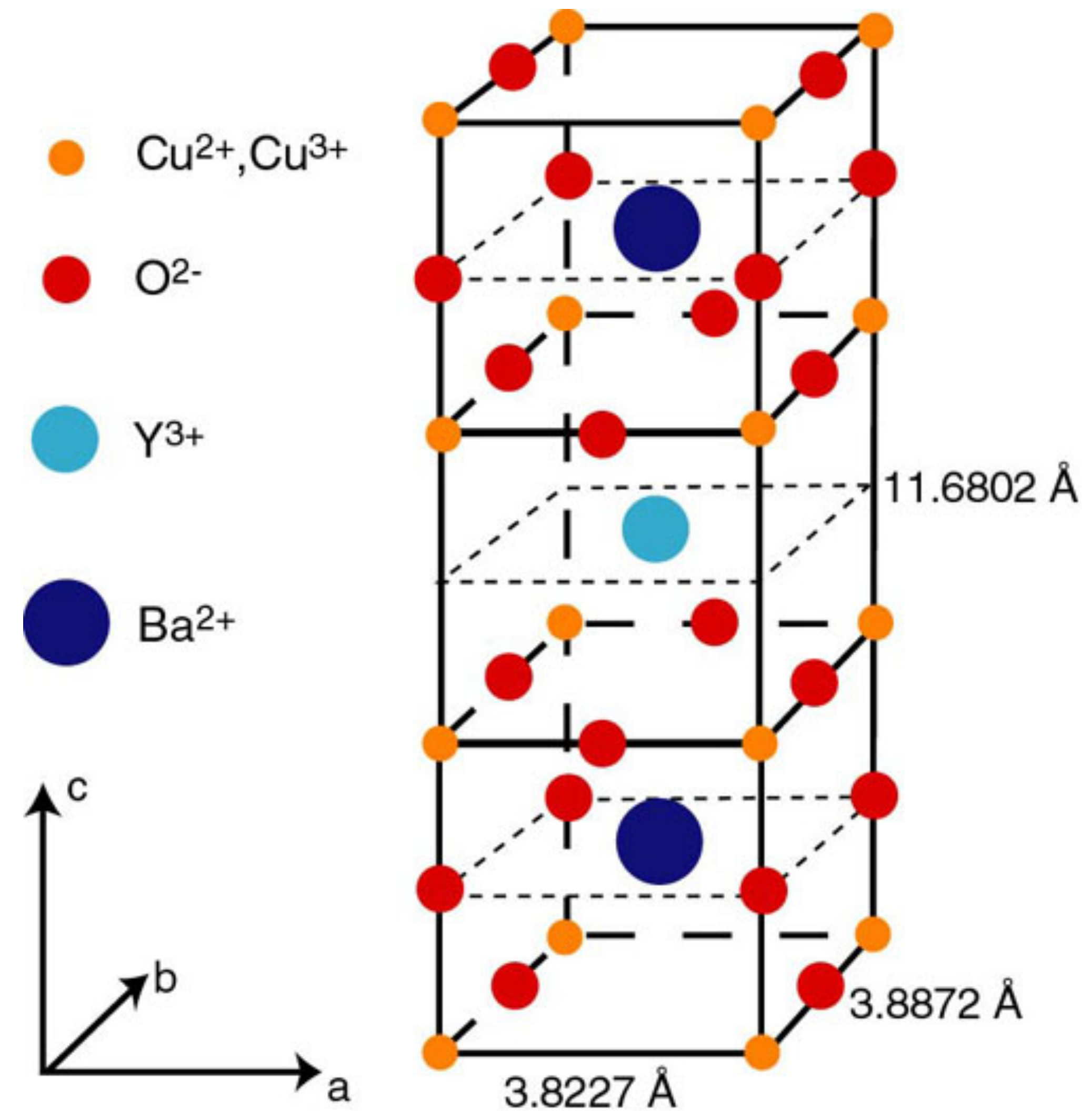


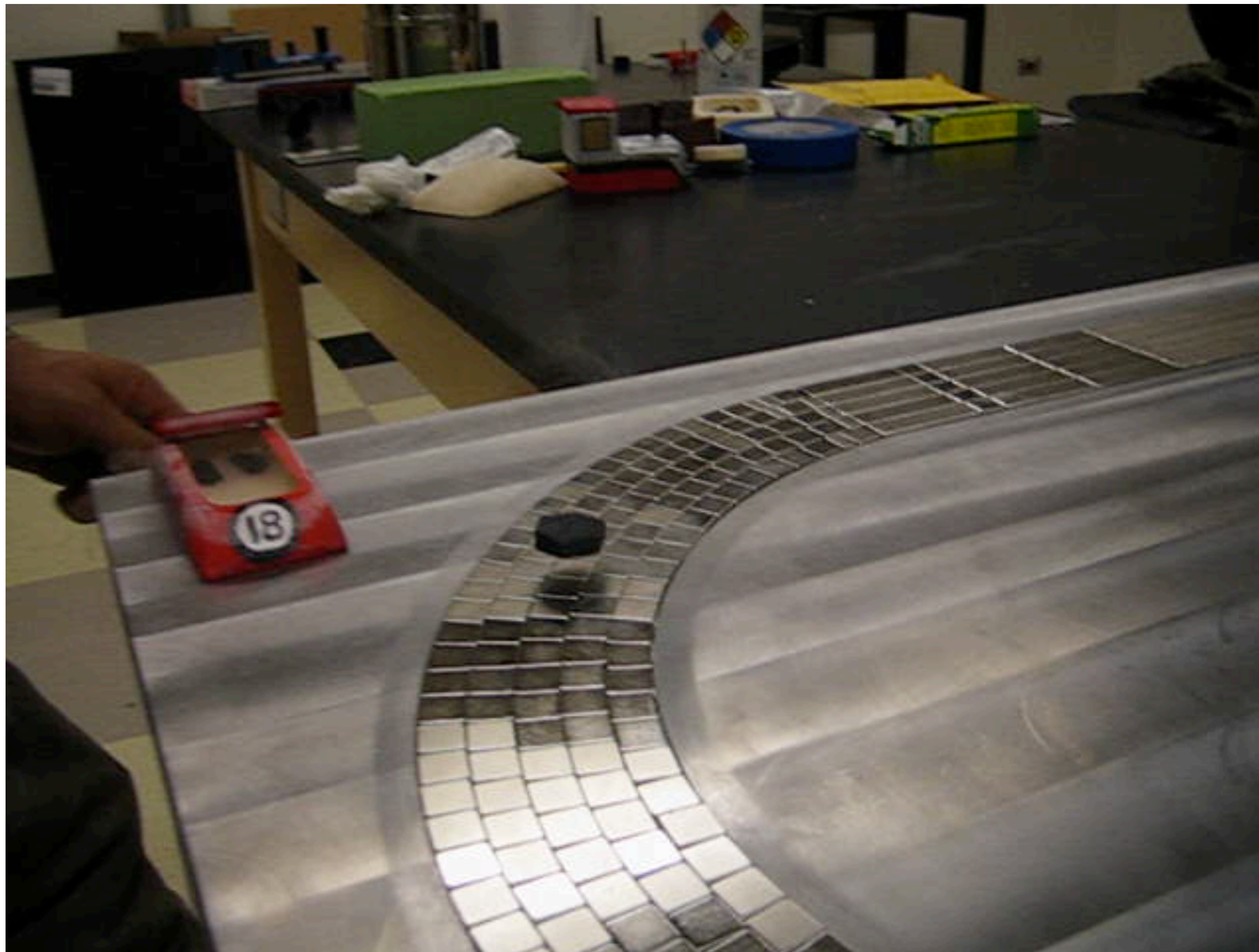
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Cuprate high temperature superconductors





Nd-Fe-B magnets, YBaCuO superconductor

Julian Hetel and Nandini Trivedi, Ohio State University

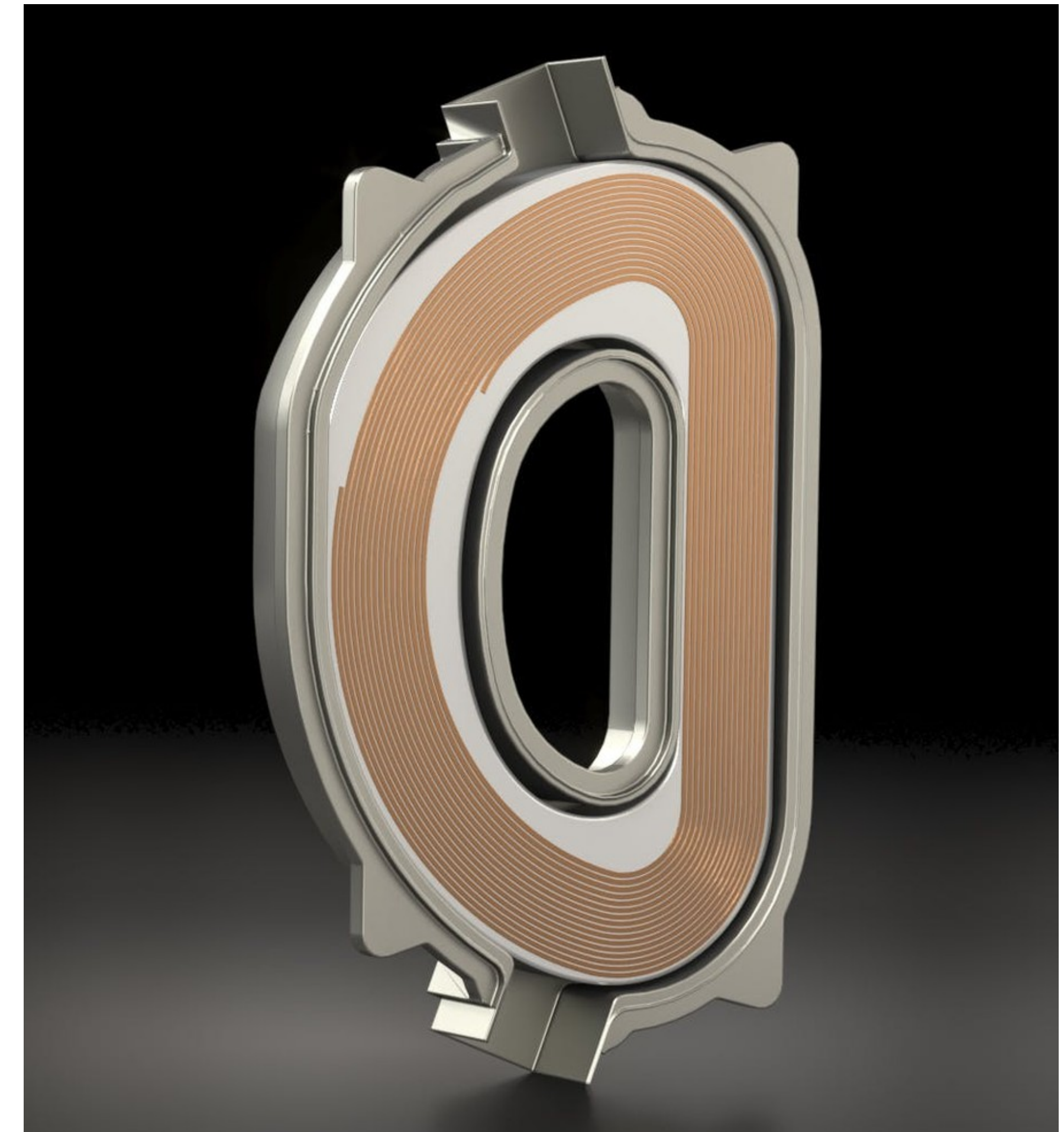
HTS Magnets: Enabling Technology

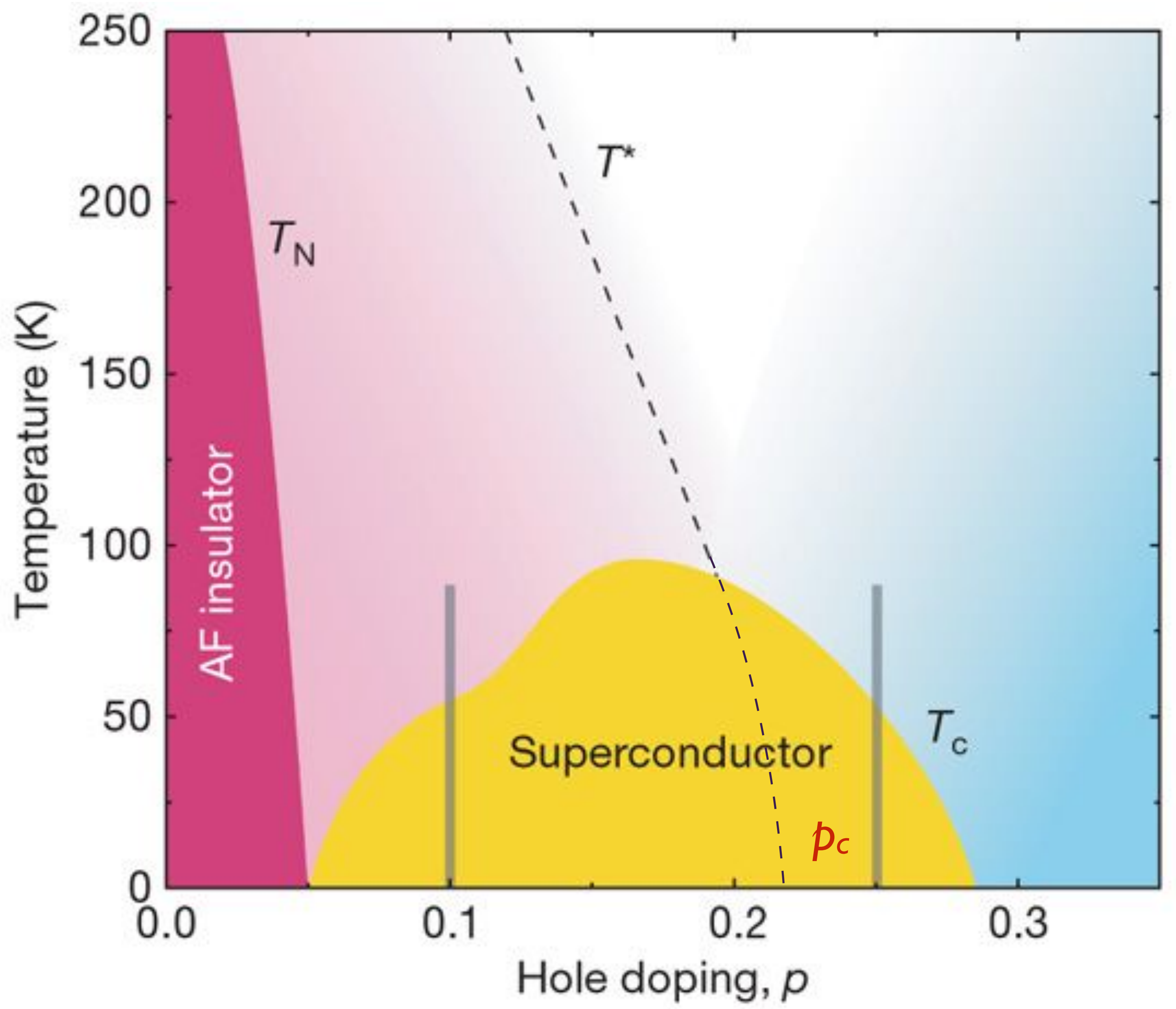
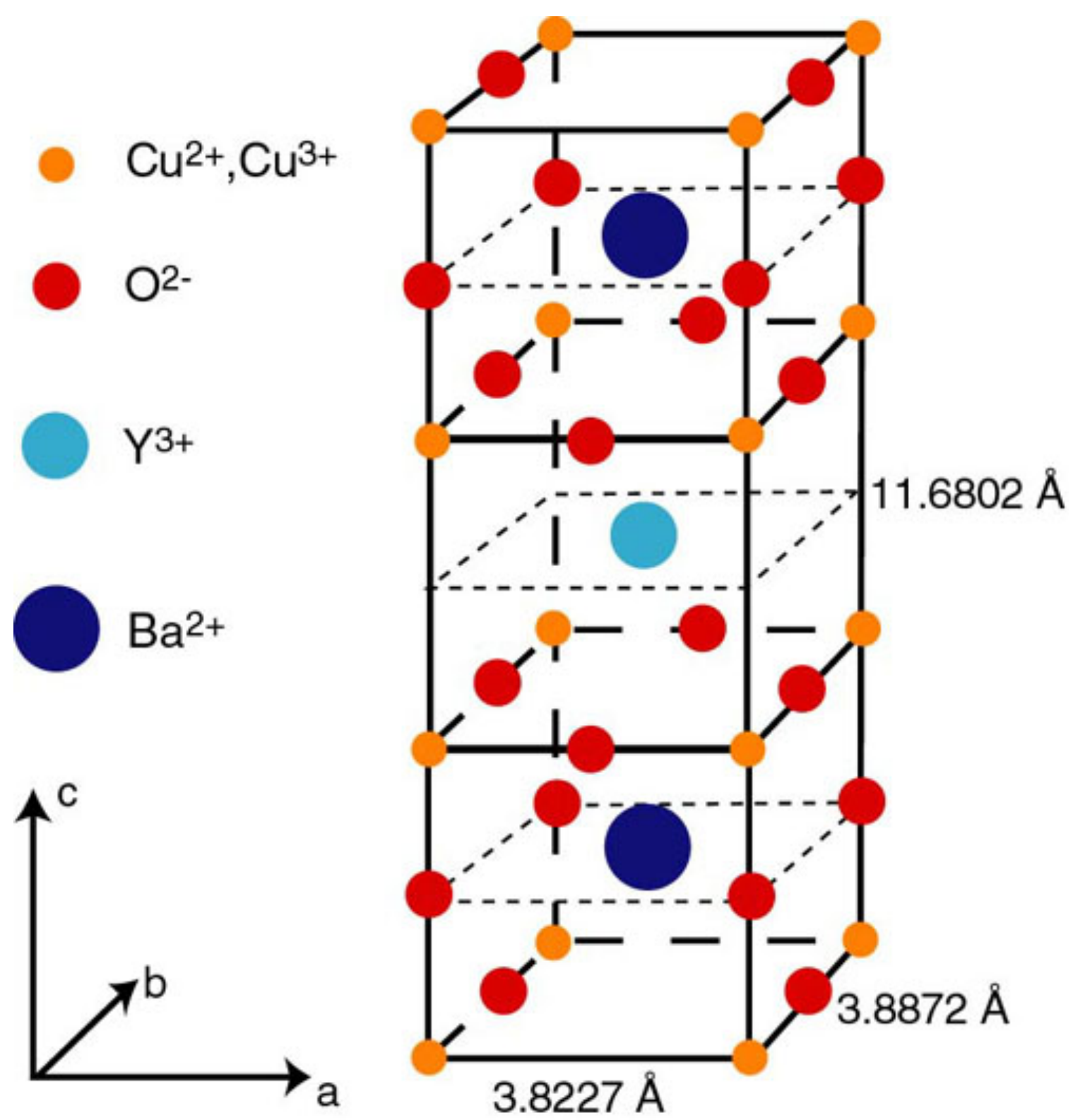
The surest path to limitless,
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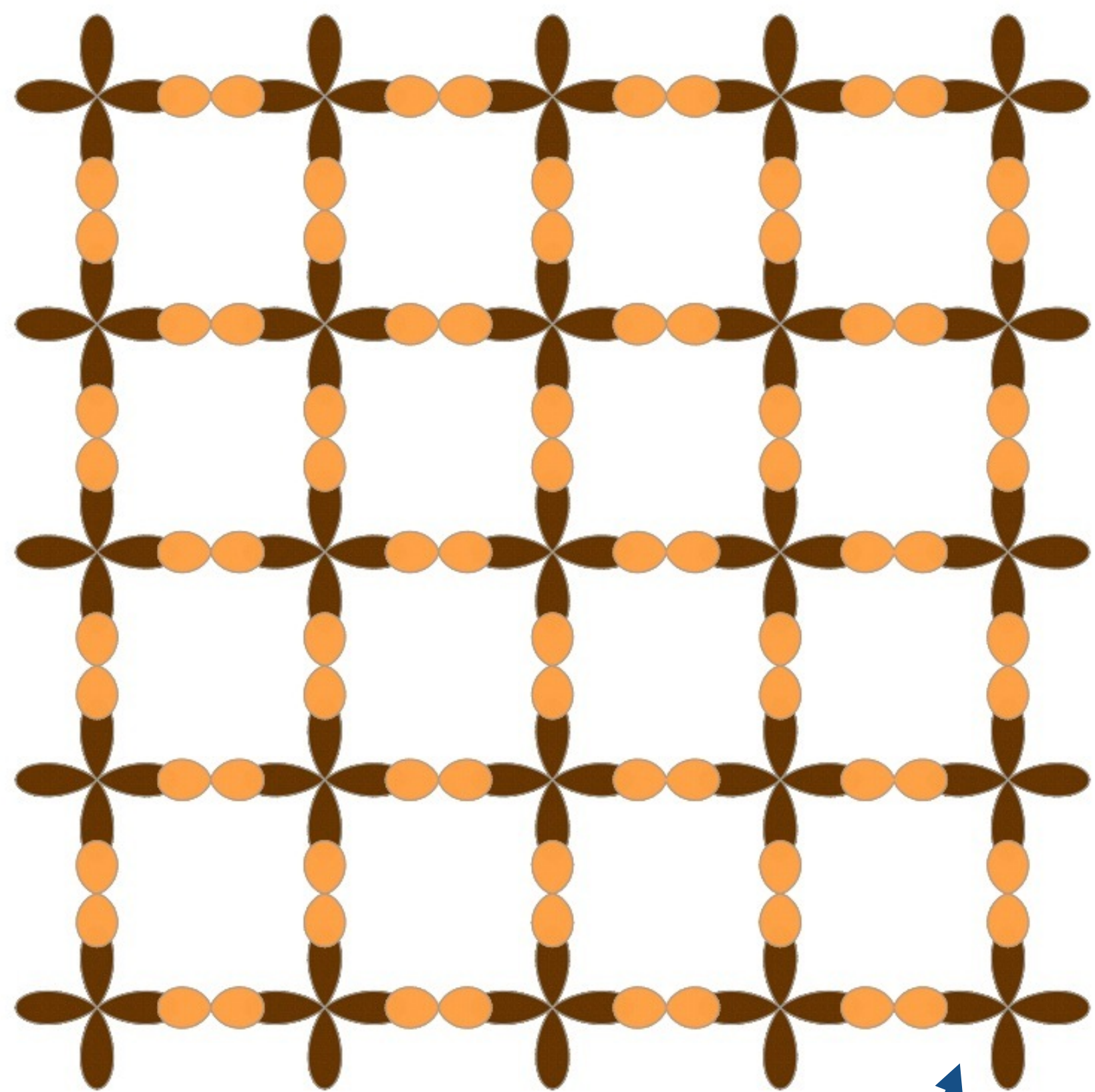
YBCO magnets allow for smaller,
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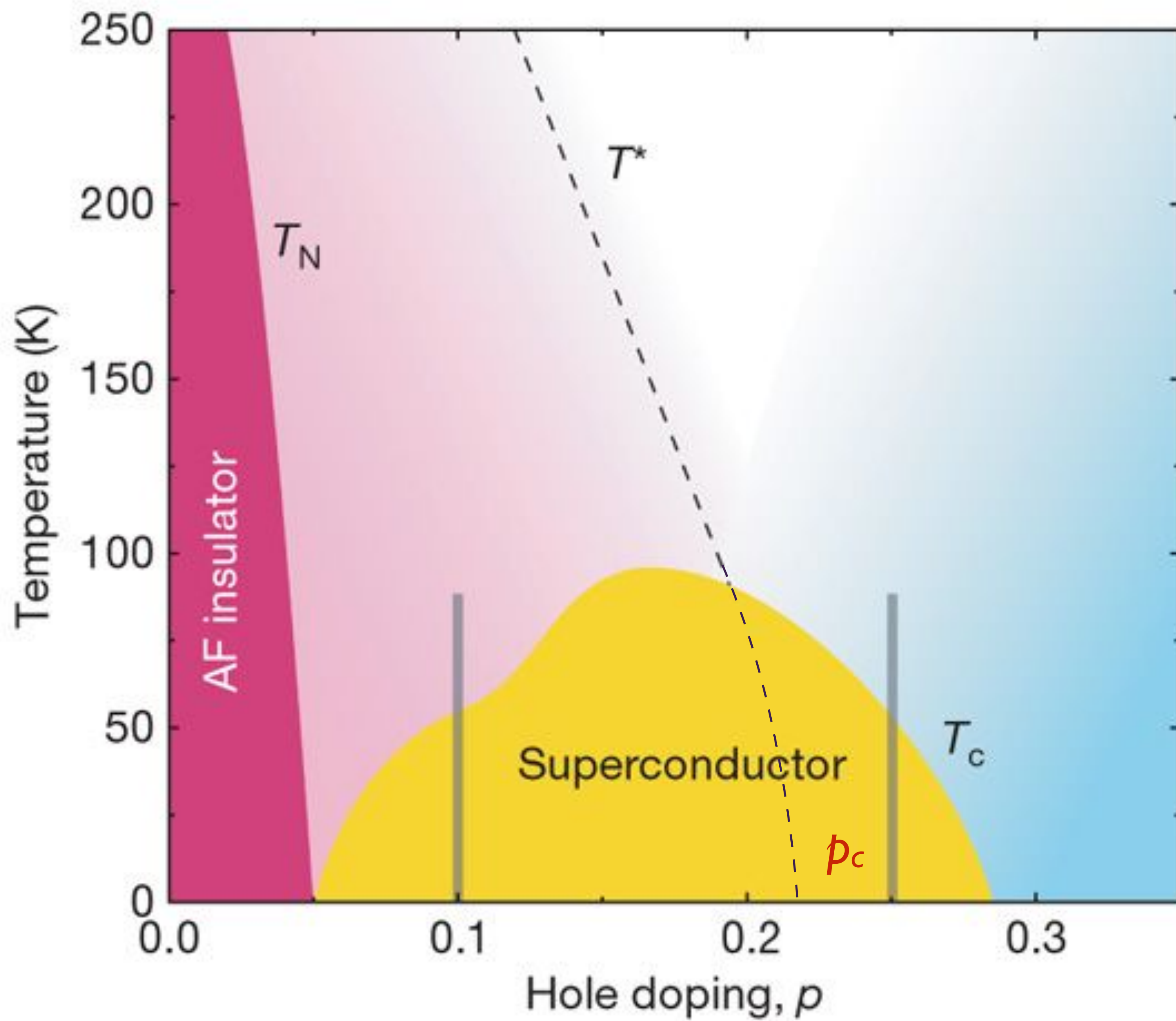
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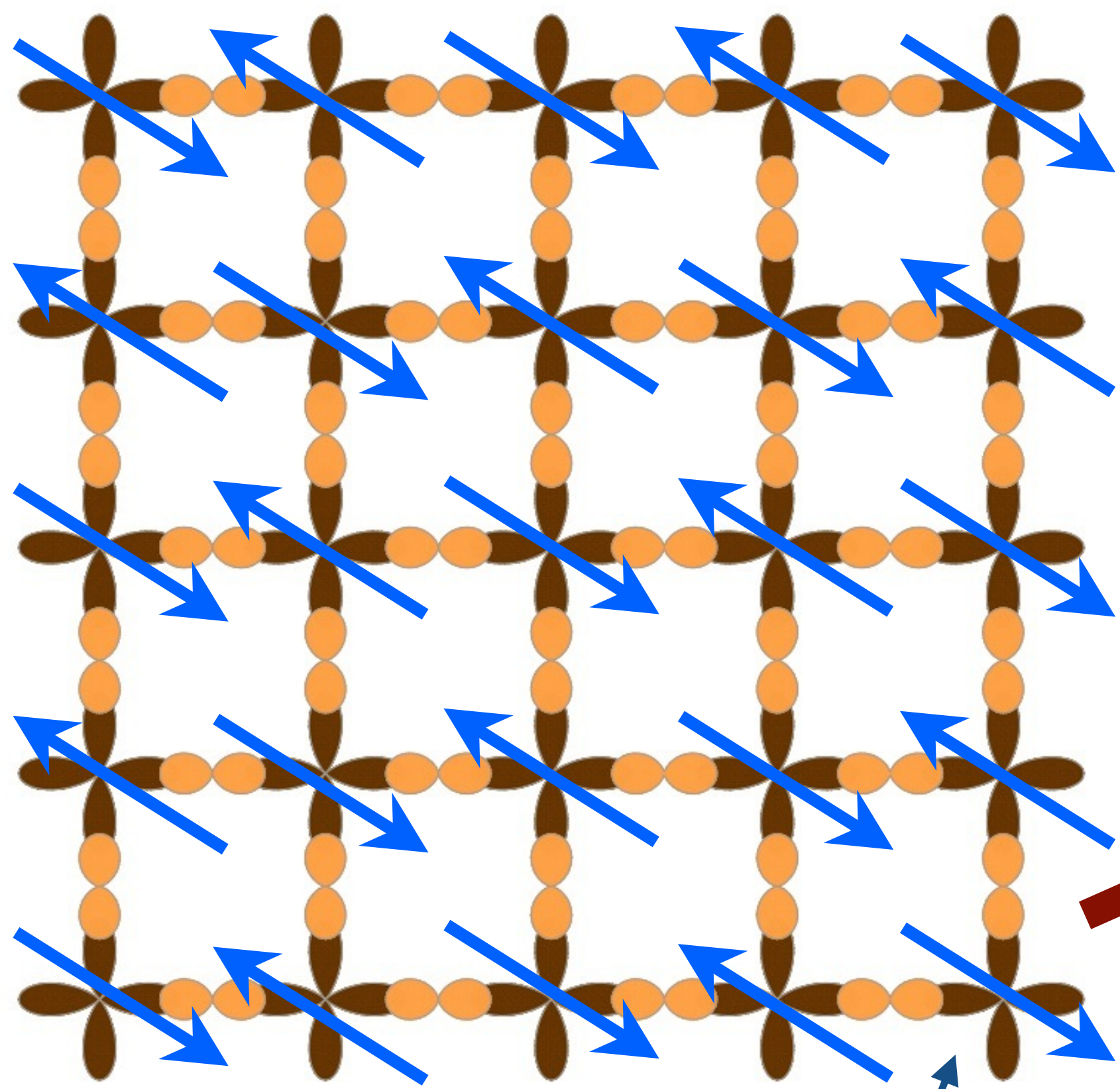






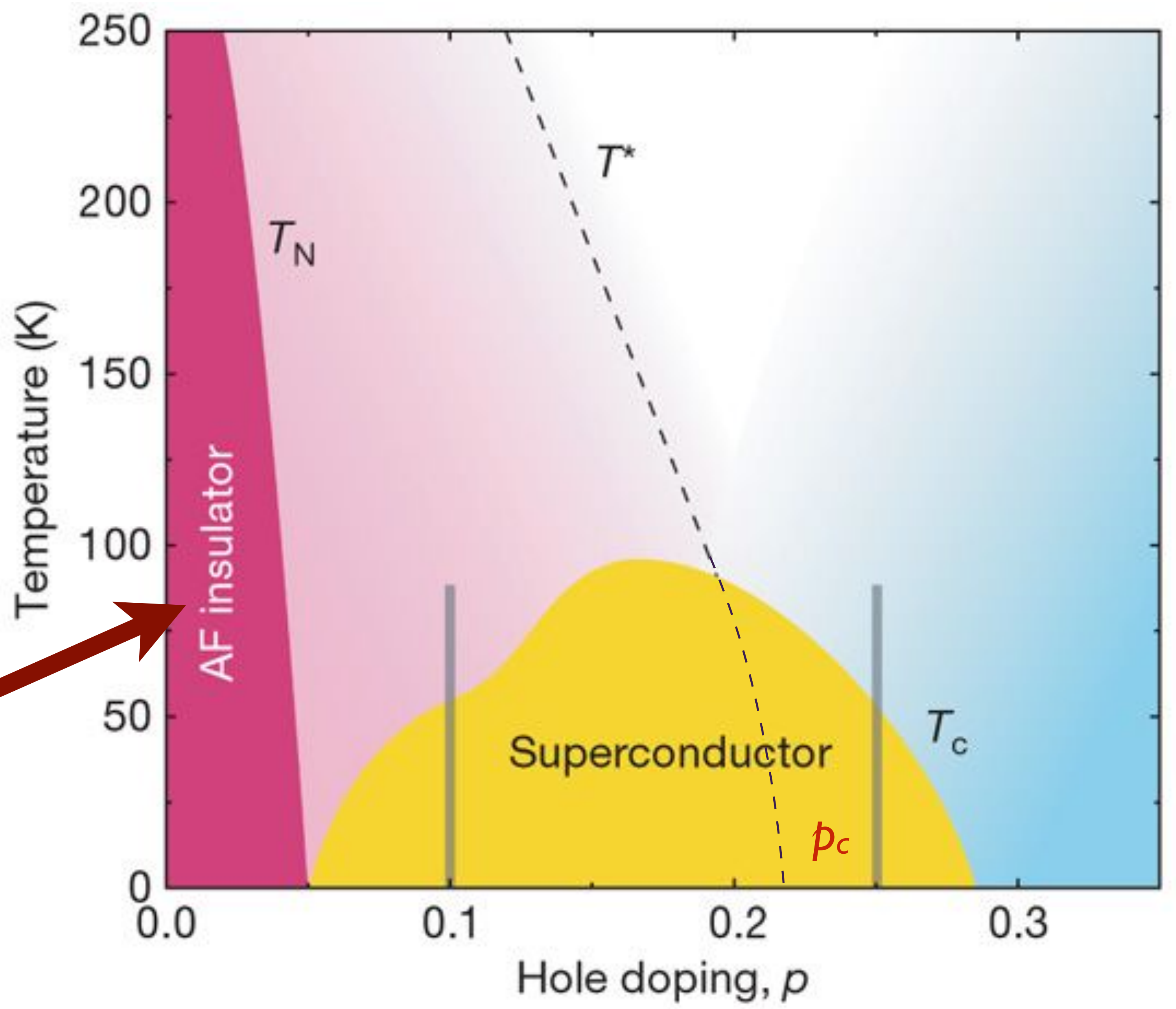
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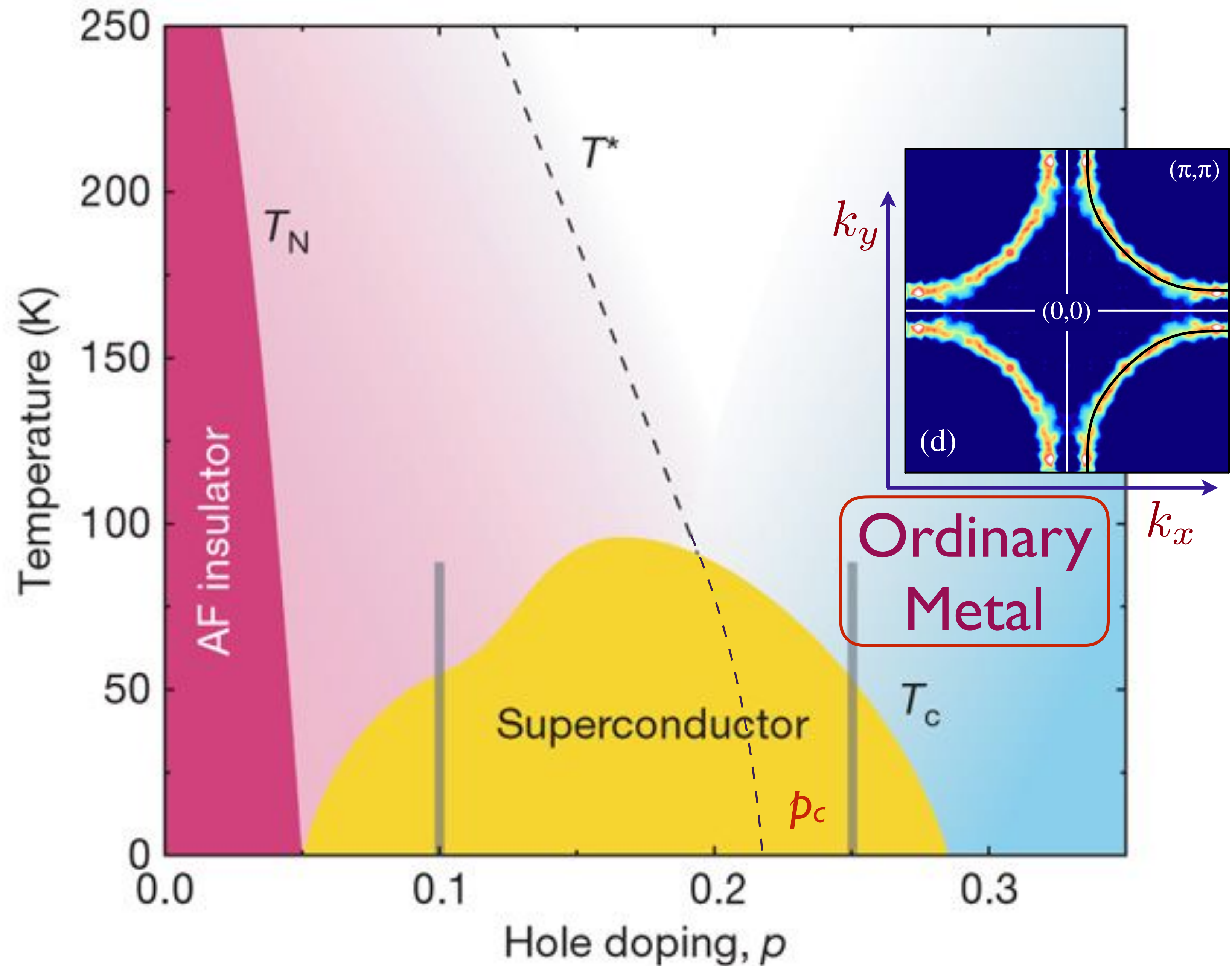
Néel order

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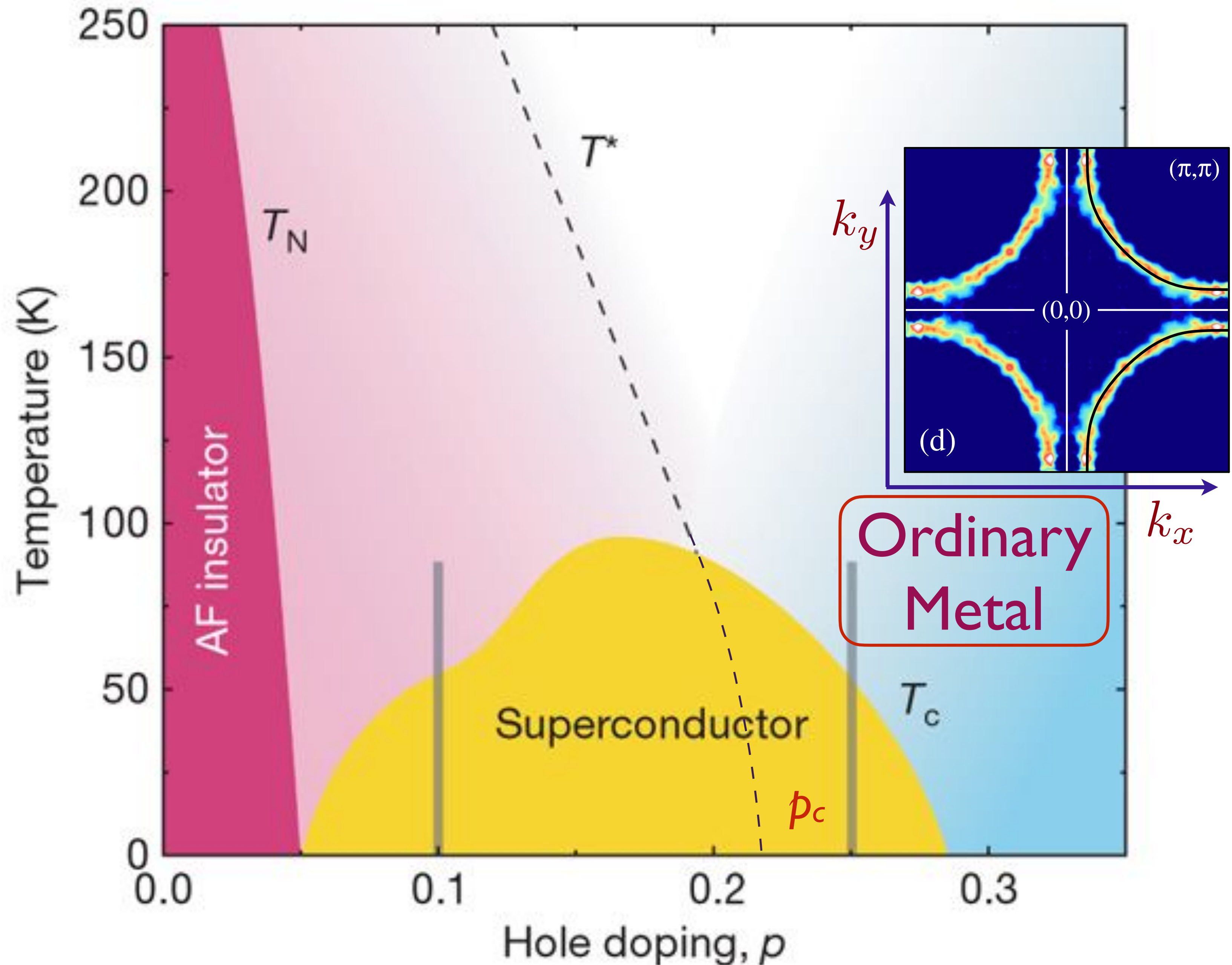
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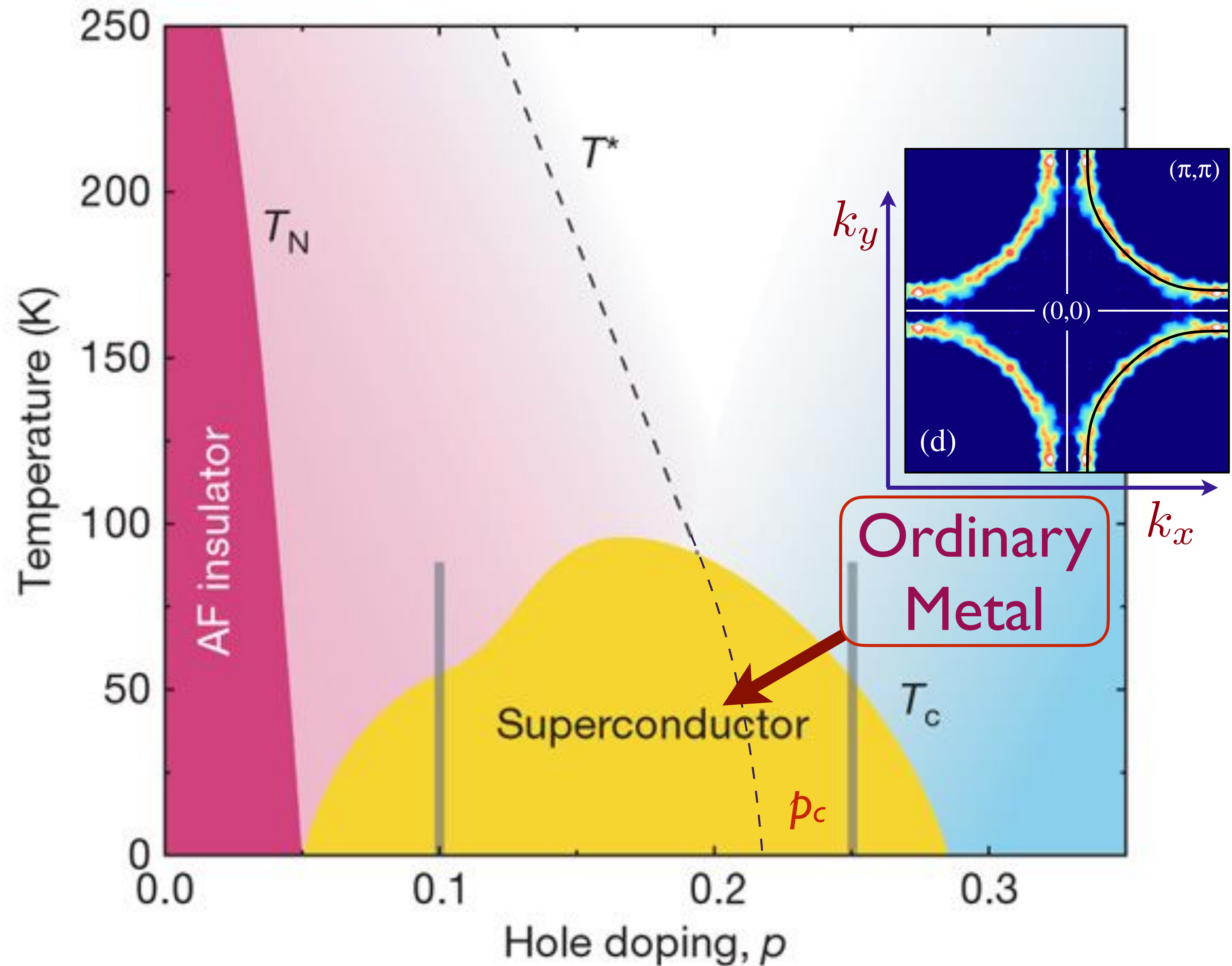
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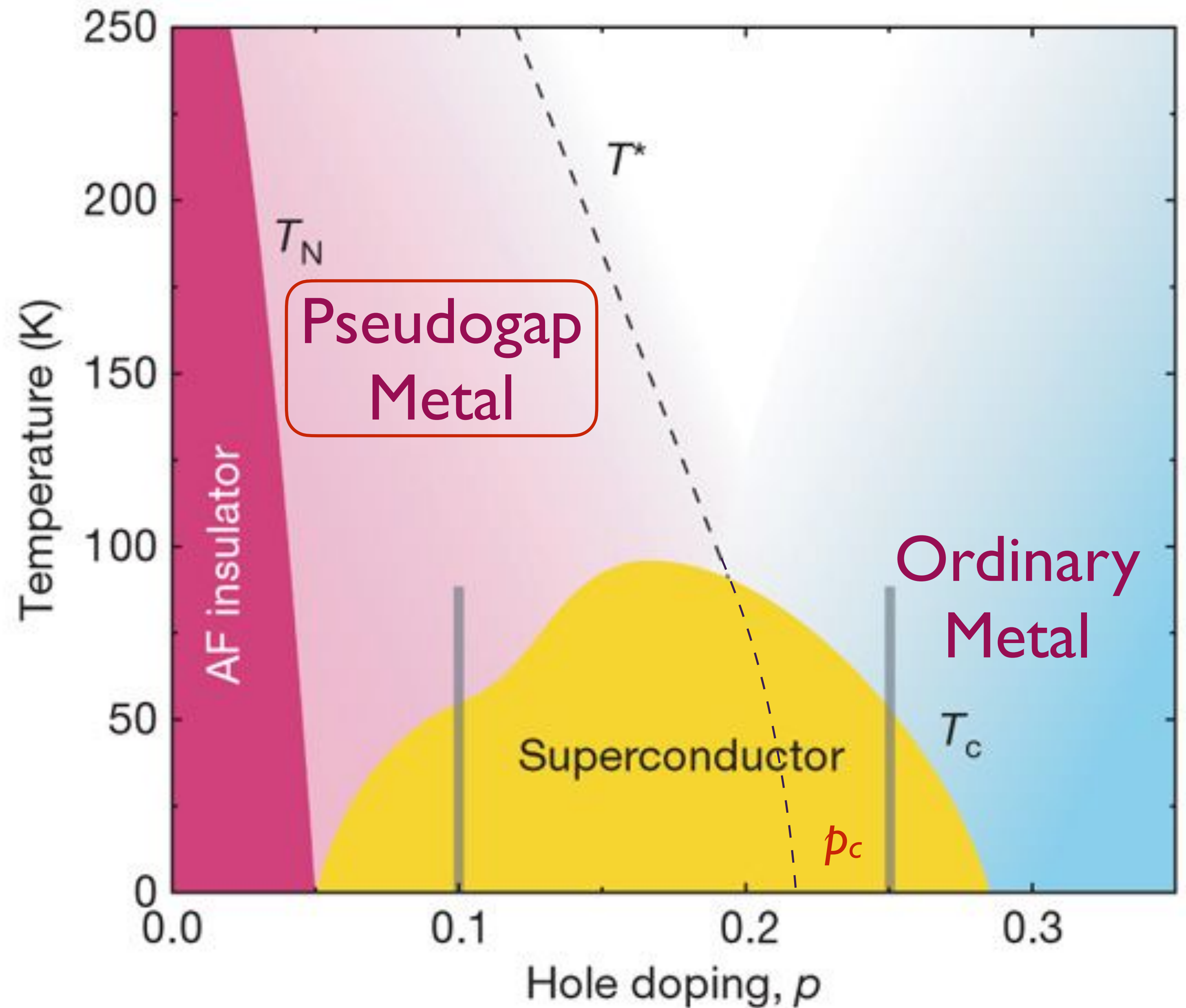
Area enclosed by the Fermi surface is the same as that for free fermions (Luttinger, 1960).



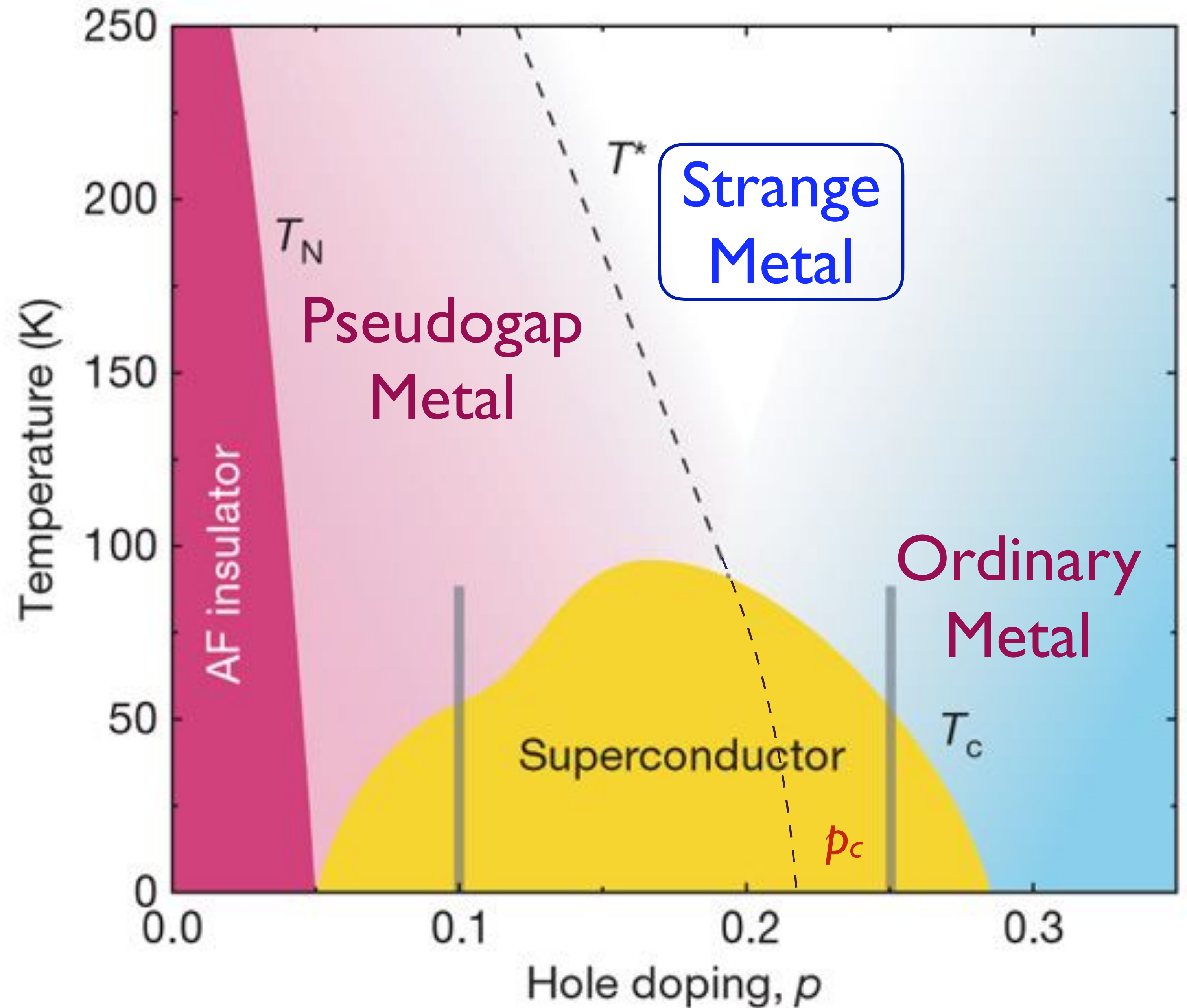
Superconductor:
Bose-Einstein
condensation of
fermion pairs
(Bardeen, Cooper,
Schrieffer, 1957)



Pseudogap metal:
many-particle
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Strange metal:
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Sachdev-Ye-Kitaev
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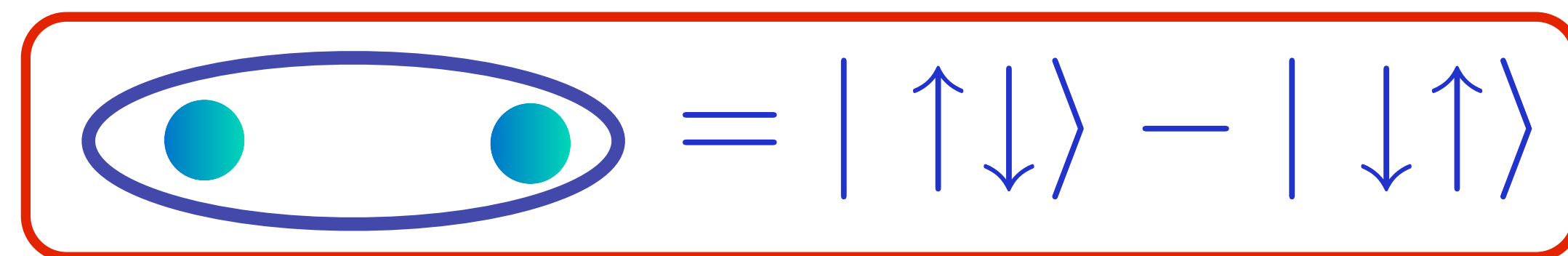
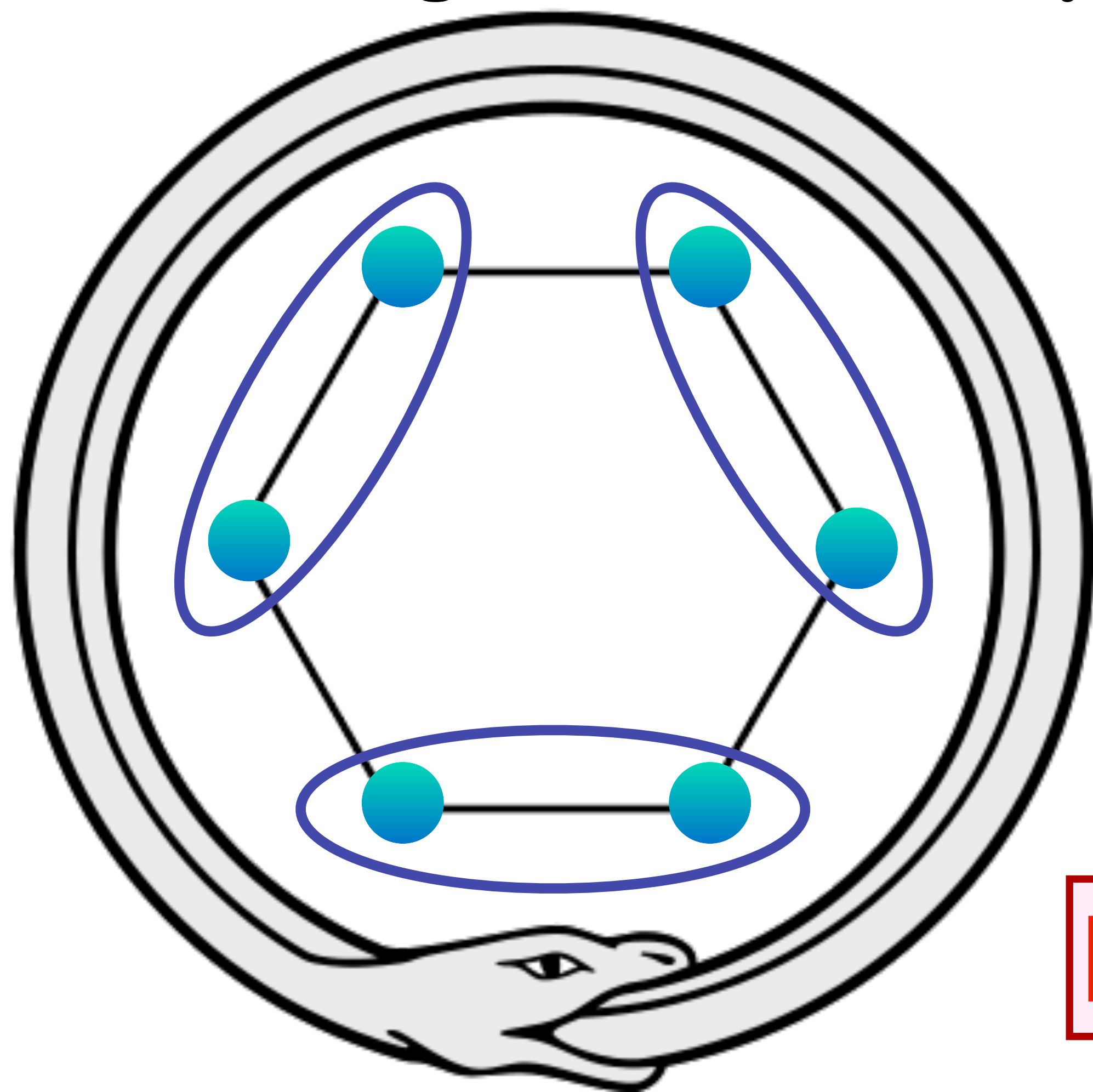
1. Entanglement of stationary electrons:
the simplest spin liquid: Z_2
2. Square lattice spin liquid and the cuprate
pseudogap metal
3. Entanglement of mobile electrons and metals
without quasiparticles: the SYK model
4. From the SYK model to black holes
5. From the SYK model to the universal
2d-YSYK theory of strange metals

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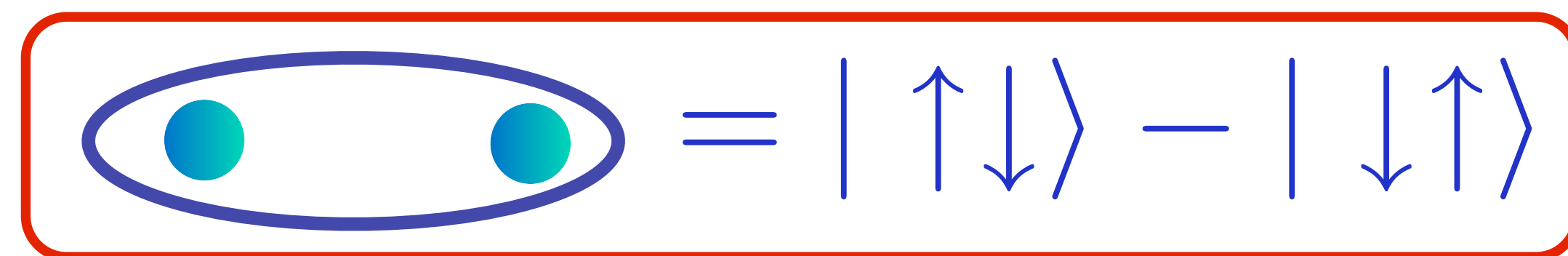
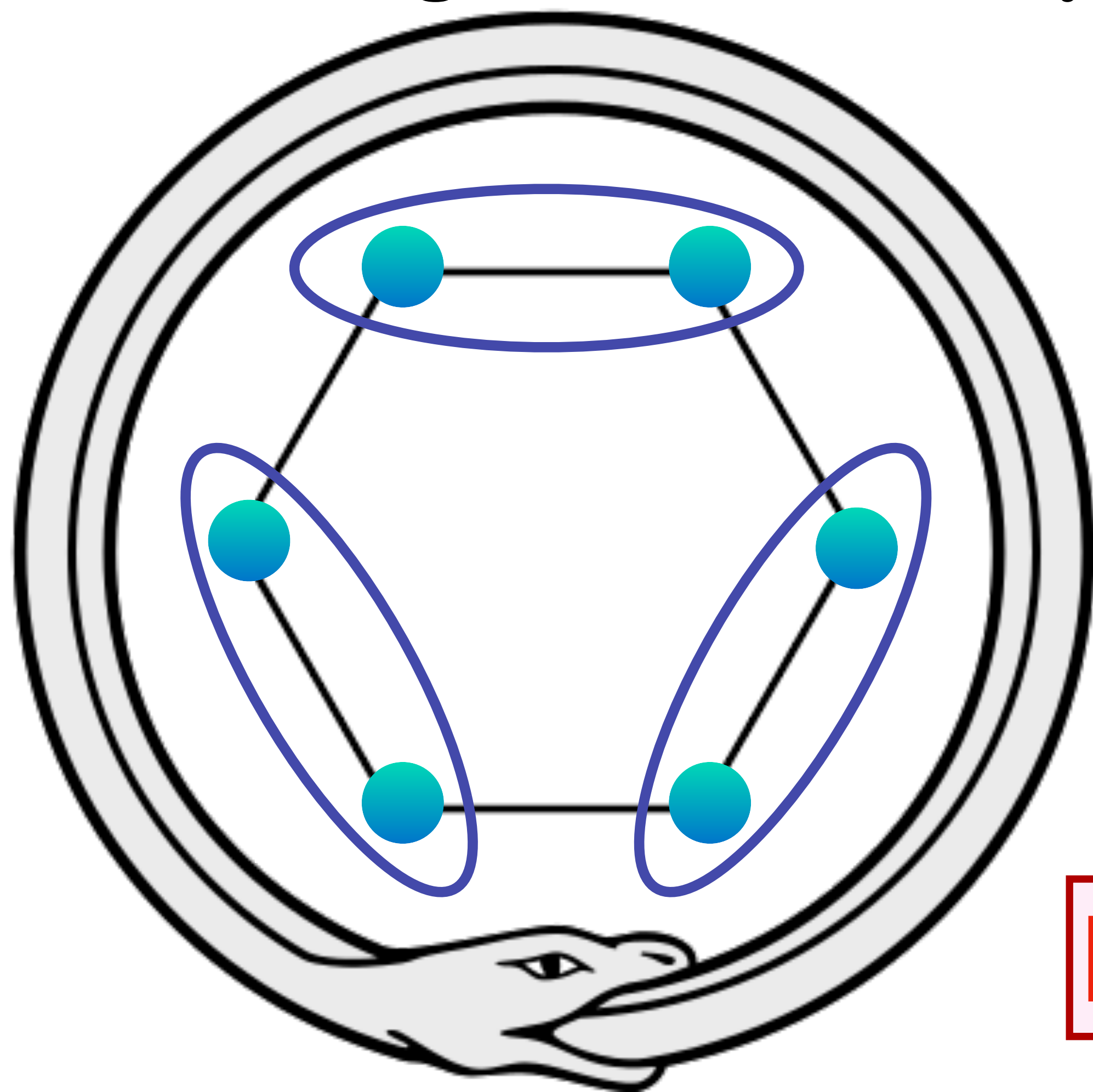
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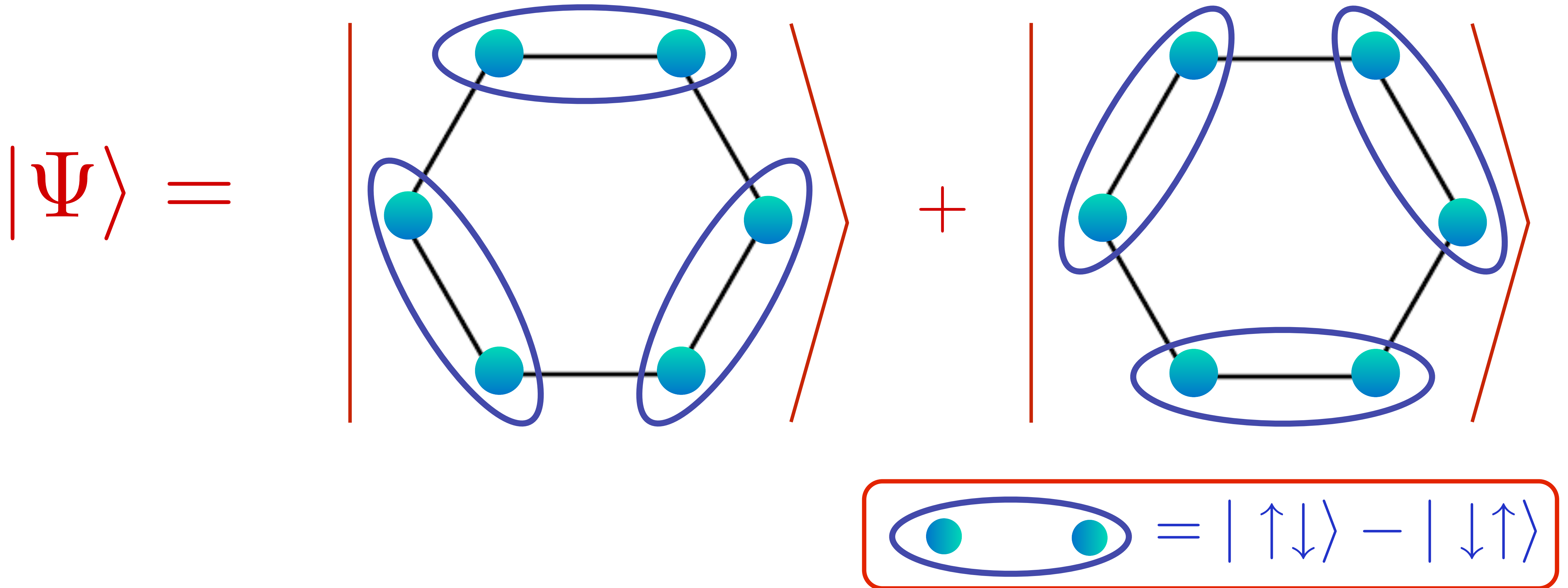
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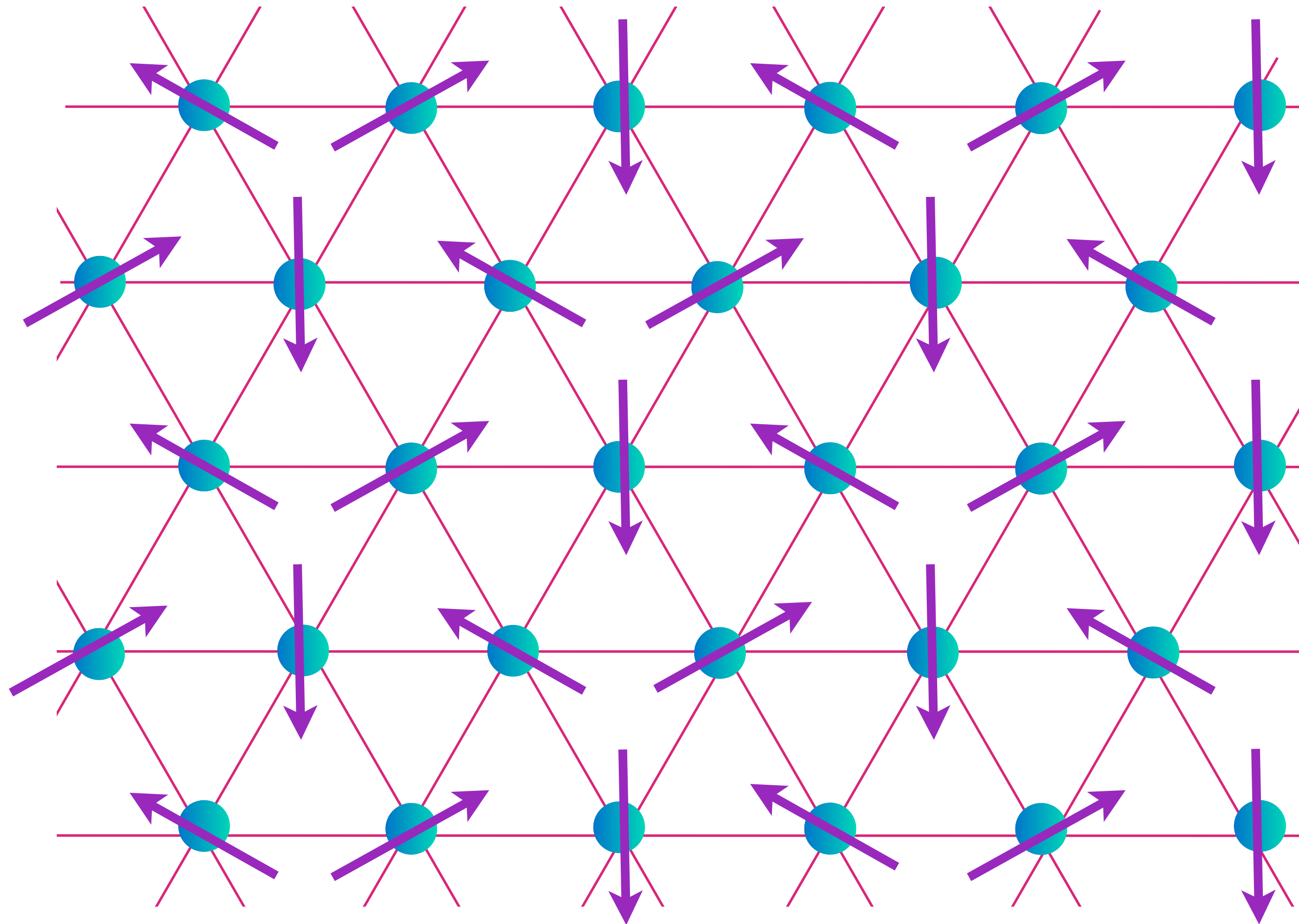


Benzene

Triangular lattice antiferromagnet

Spin model with $S=1/2$ per unit cell

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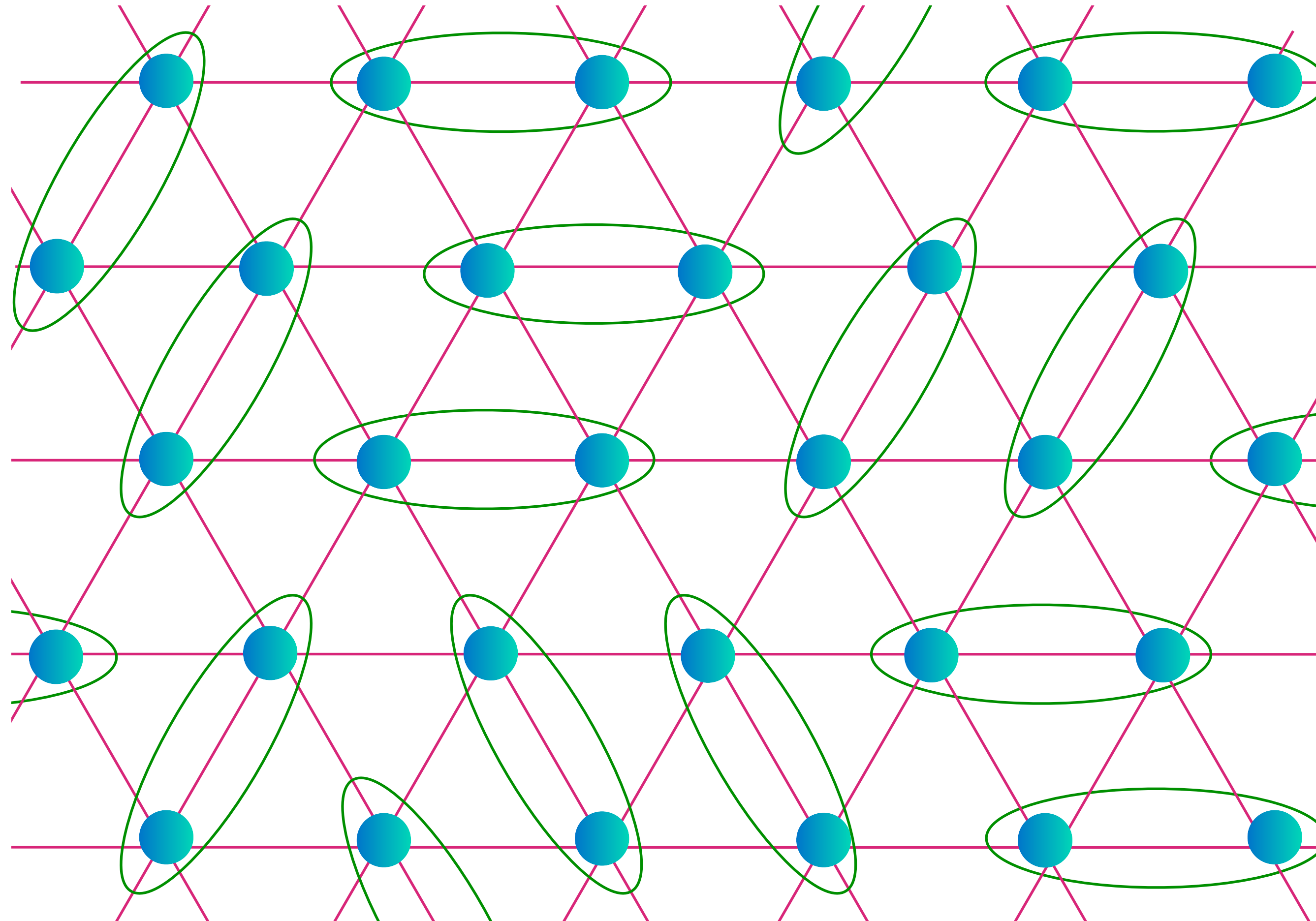
$$\begin{aligned} [S_\alpha, S_\beta] &= i\epsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma} S_\gamma \\ S_\alpha^2 &= S(S+1); \\ S &= 1/2 \\ S_z |\uparrow\rangle &= (1/2) |\uparrow\rangle \\ S_z |\downarrow\rangle &= -(1/2) |\downarrow\rangle \\ &\text{on each site } i \end{aligned}$$

Nearest-neighbor model has non-collinear Neel order

Spin liquid: resonating valence bonds

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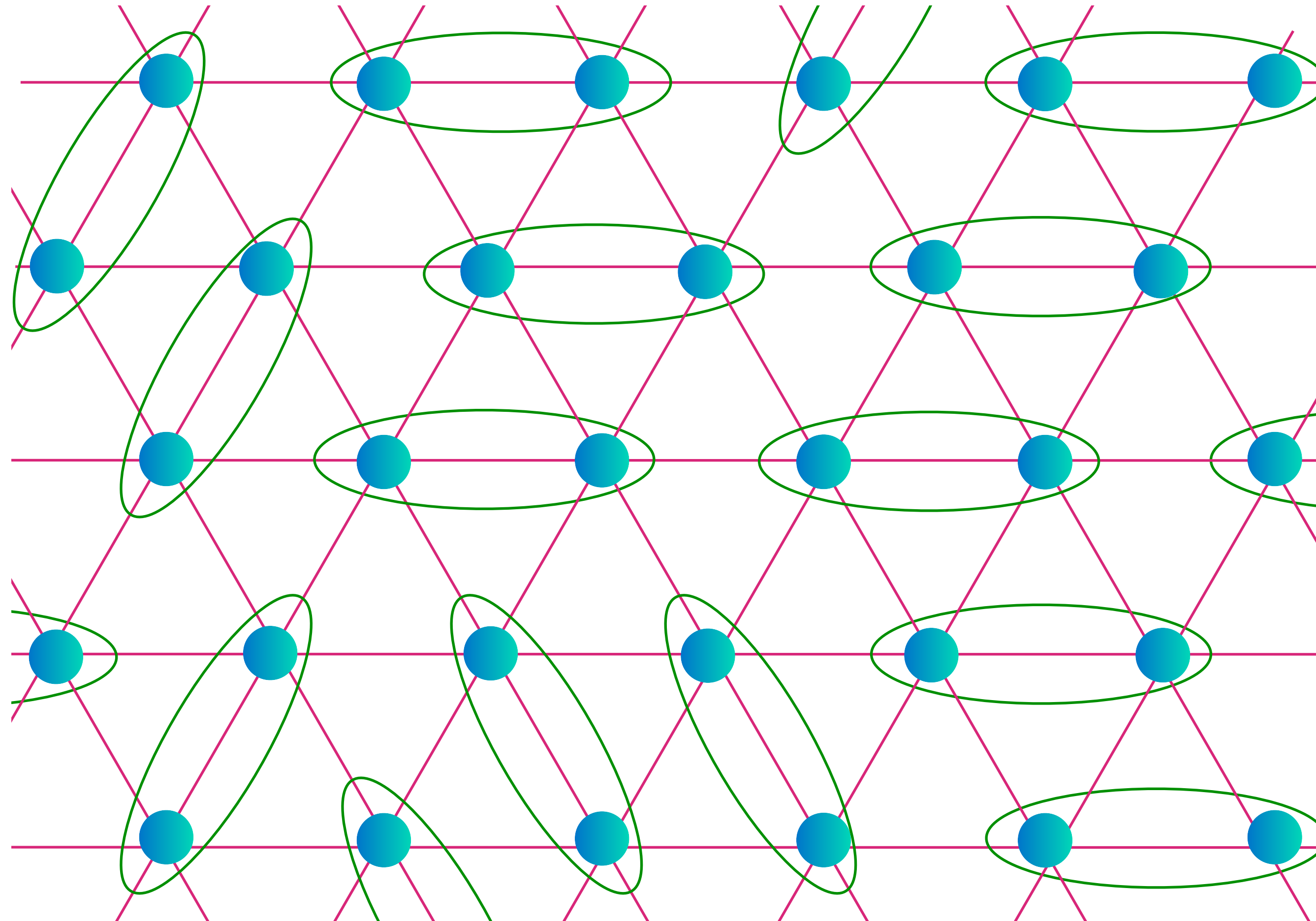
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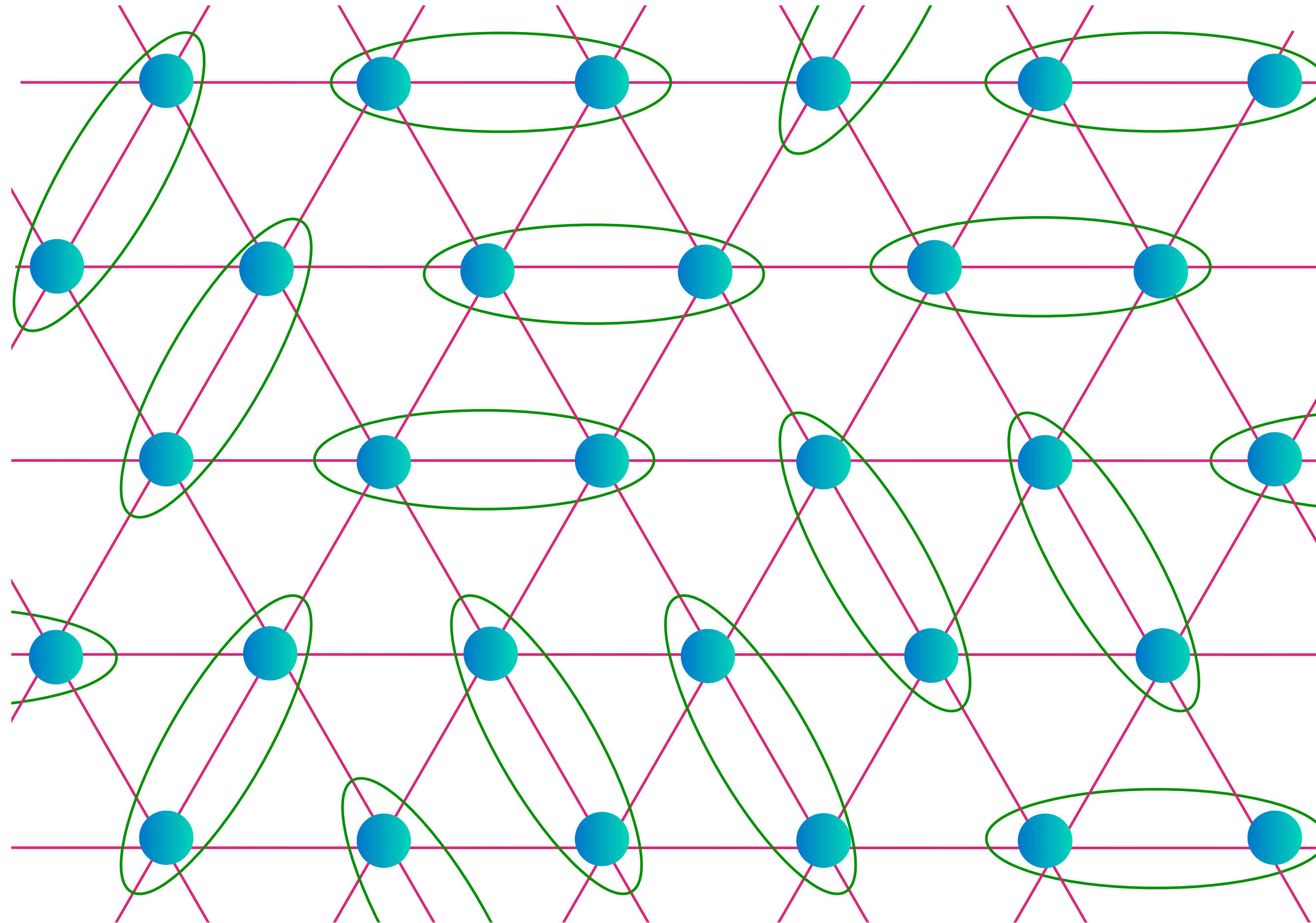
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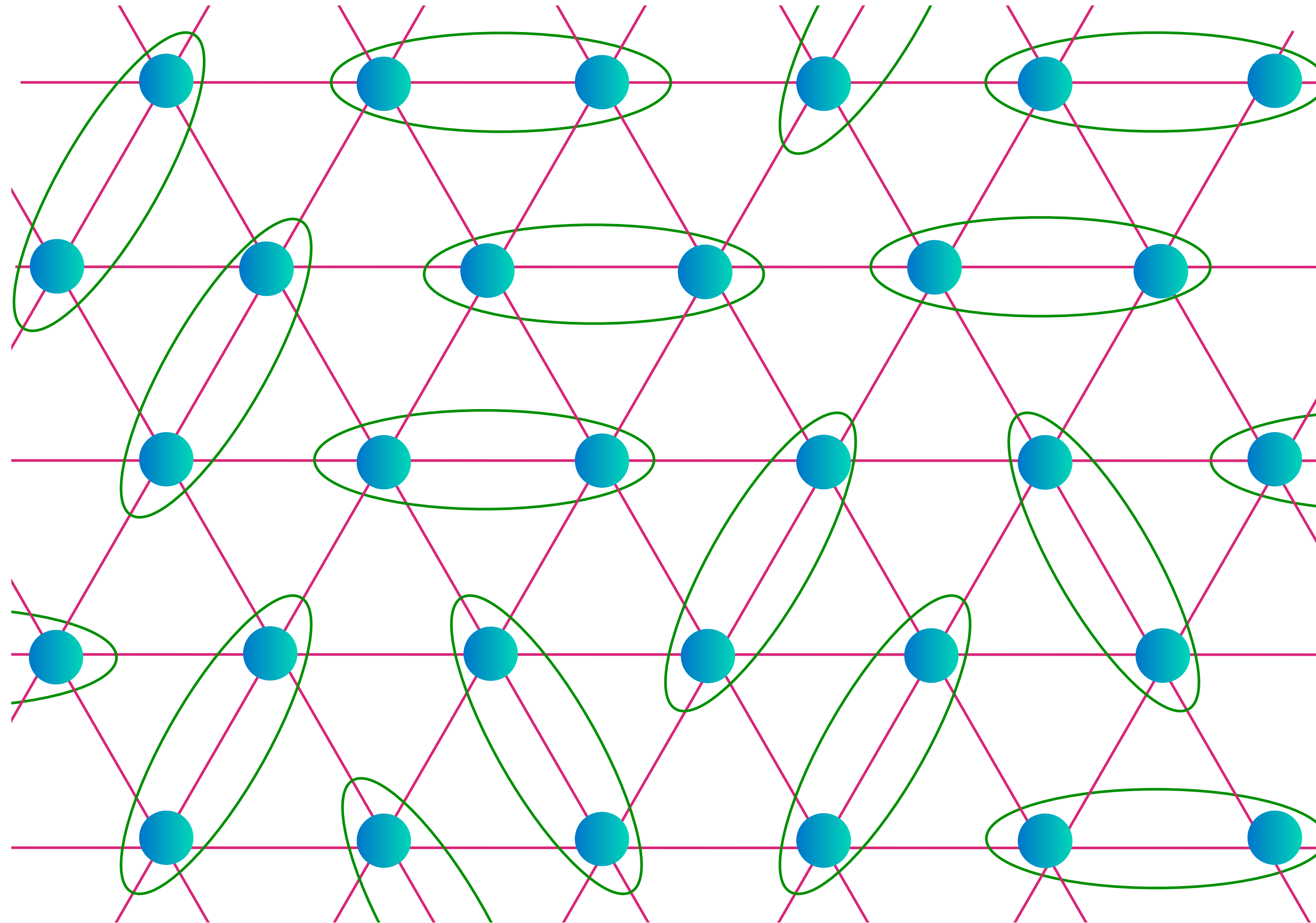
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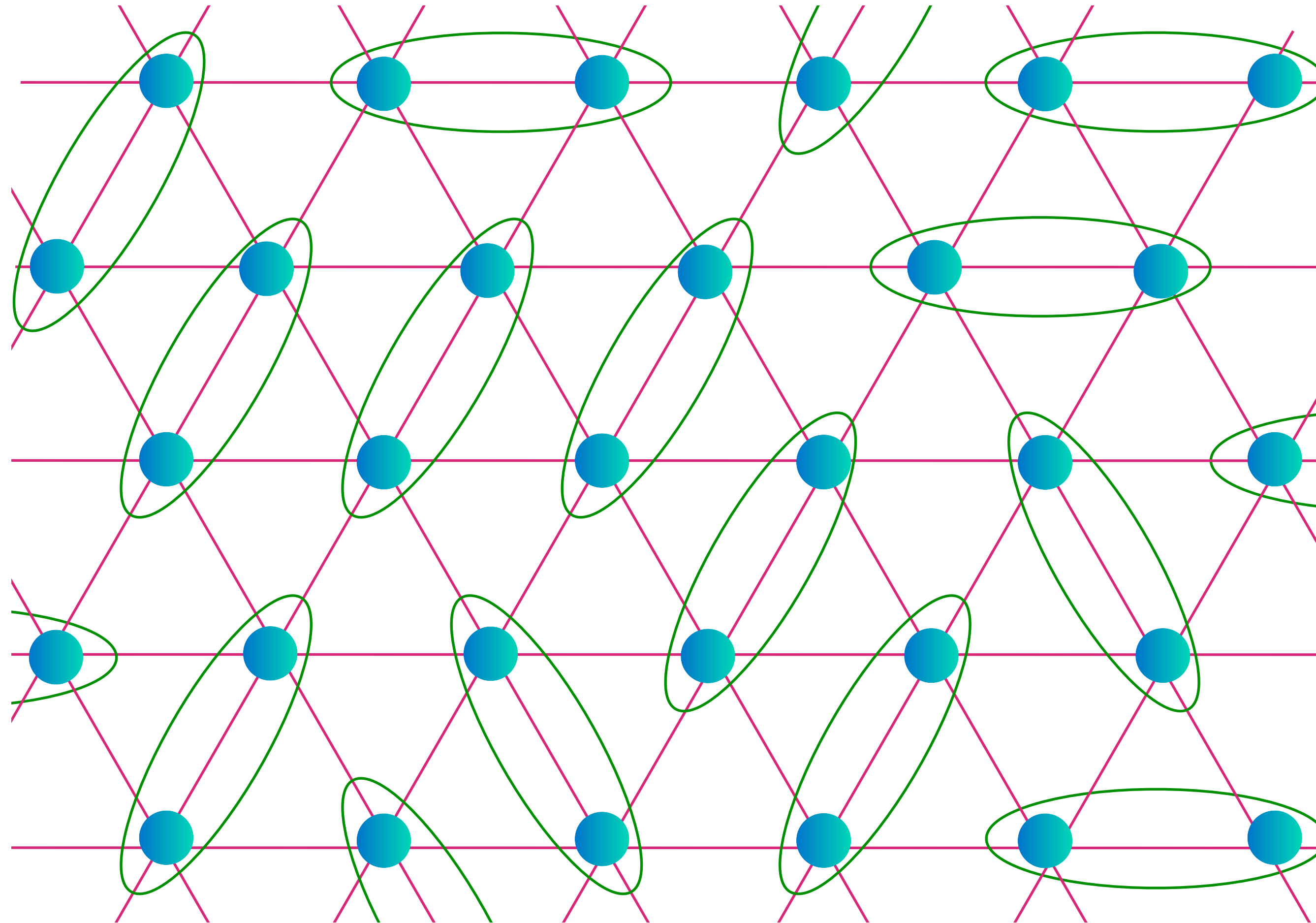
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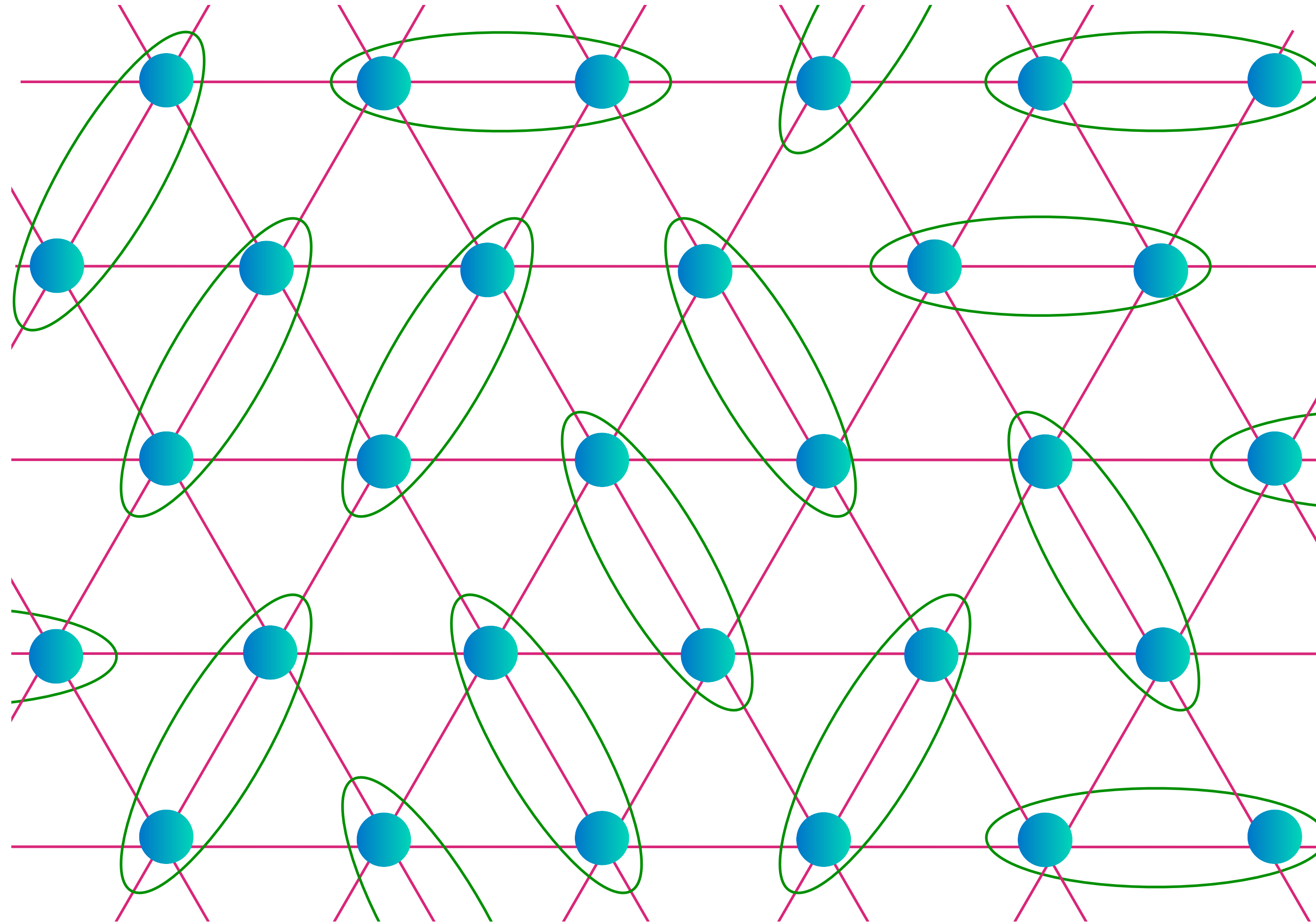
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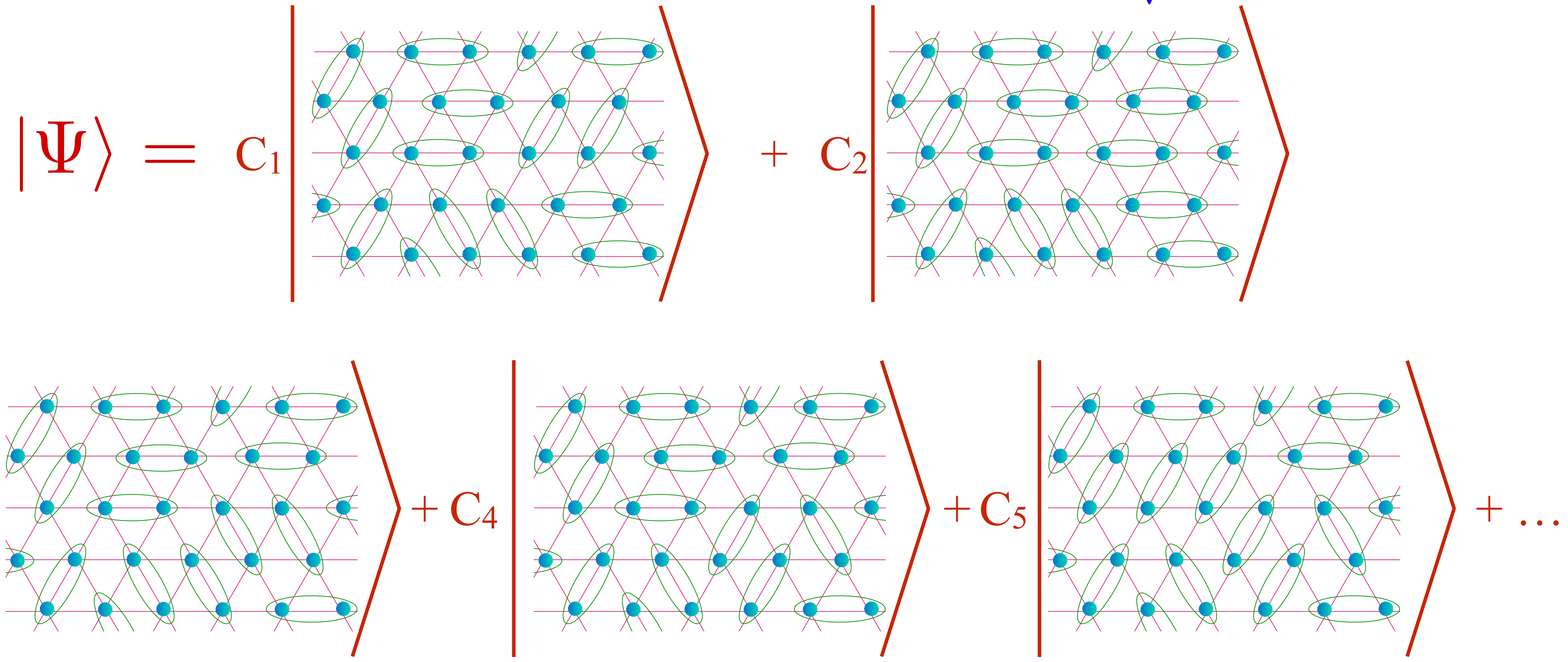


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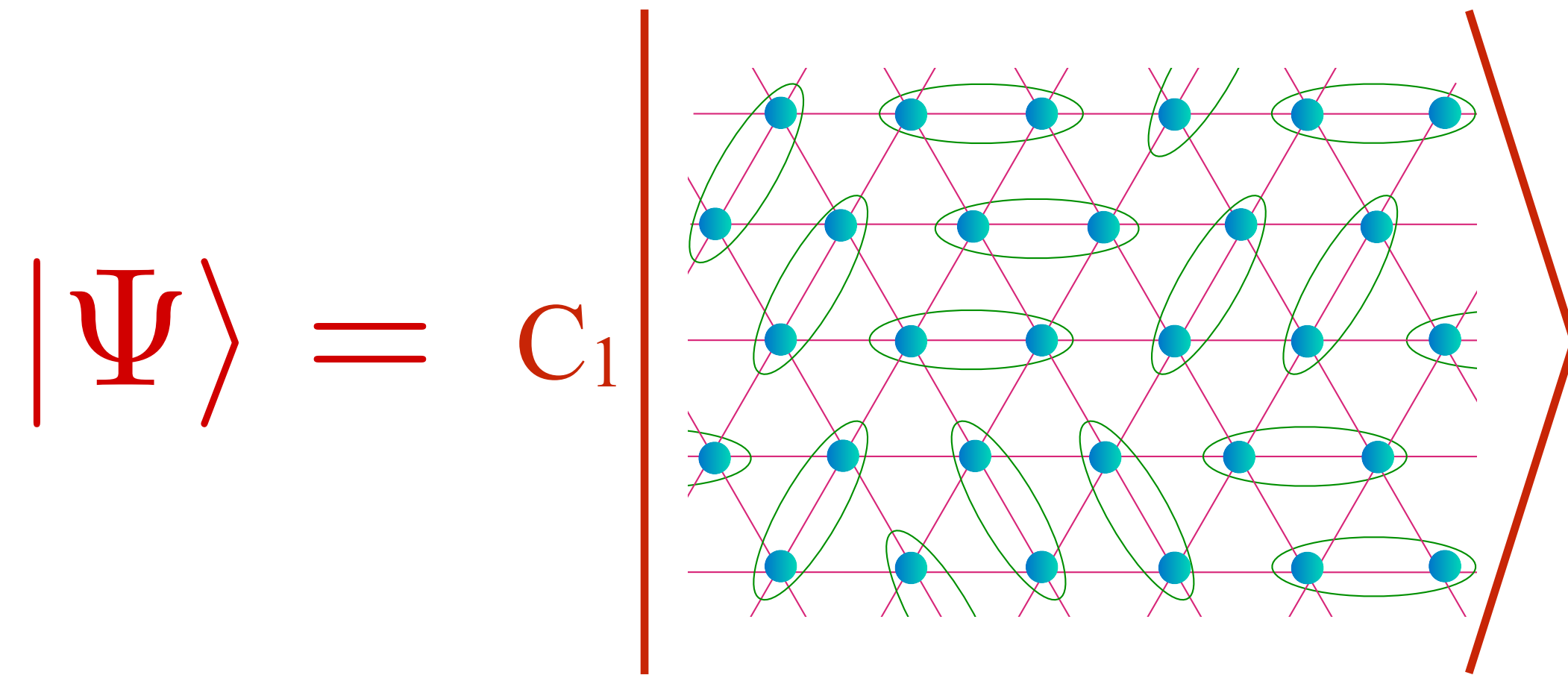
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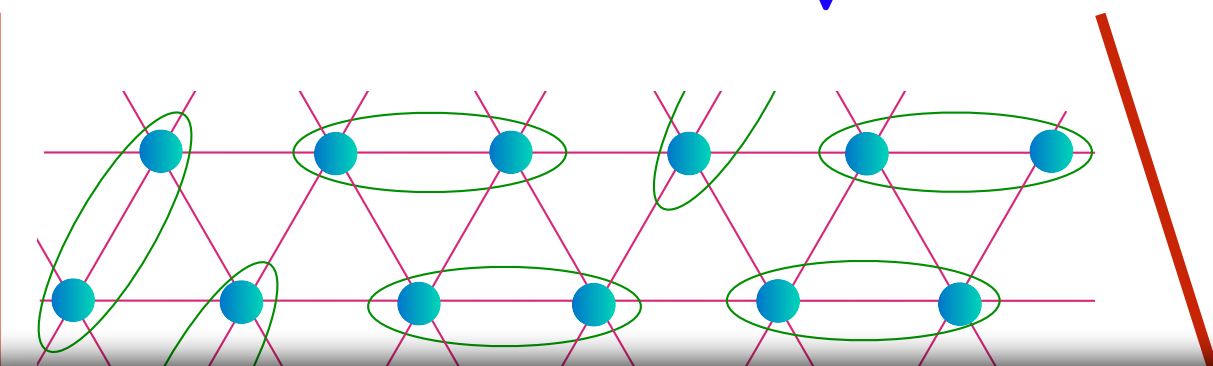


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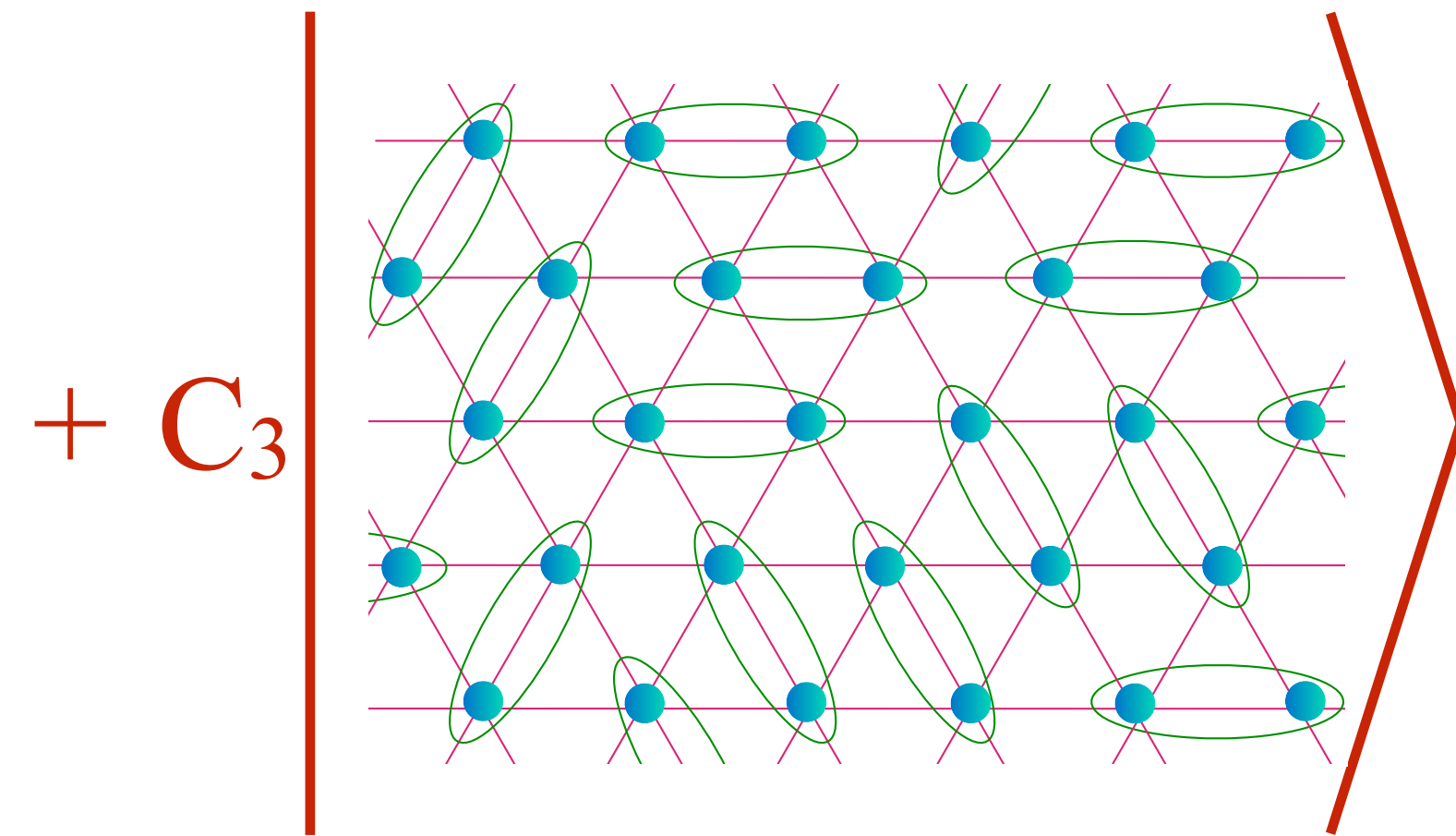
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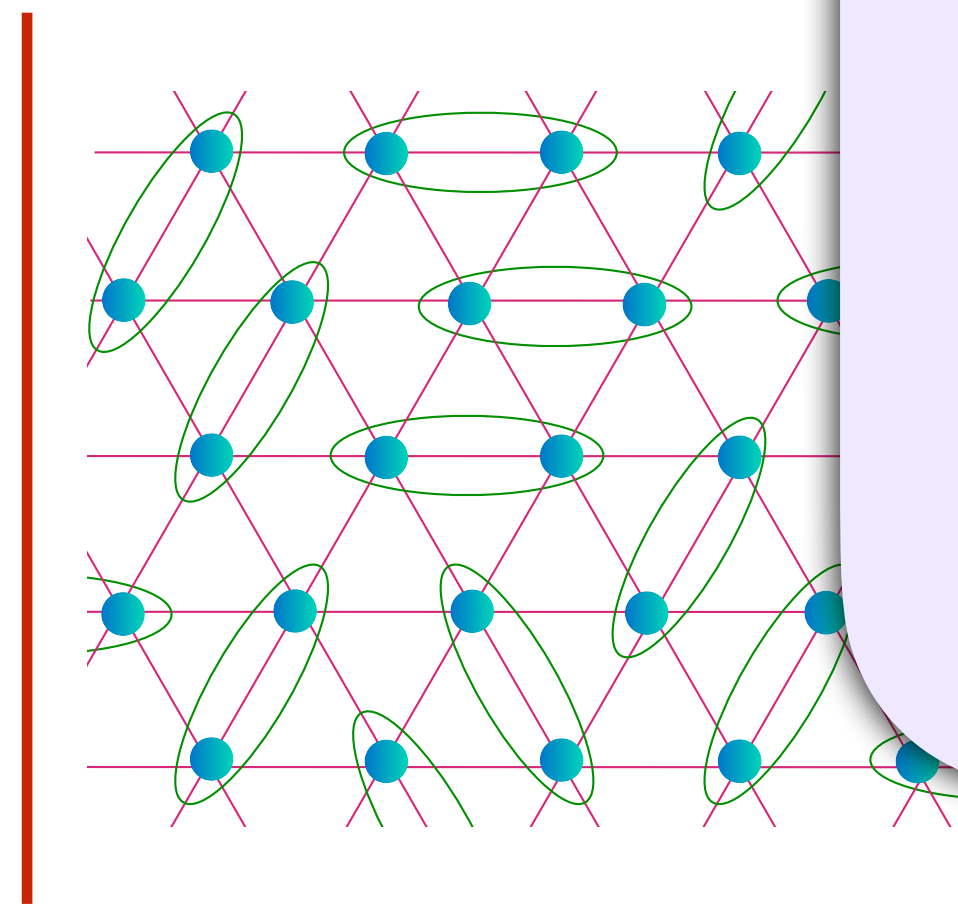
Key feature: fractionalization.

Excitations are particle-like,
but cannot be created
by local operators.

The excitations are classified
under distinct
superselection/anyon sectors.

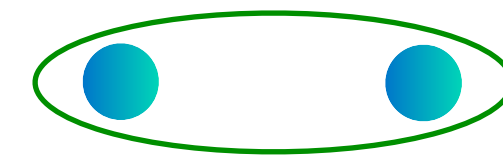


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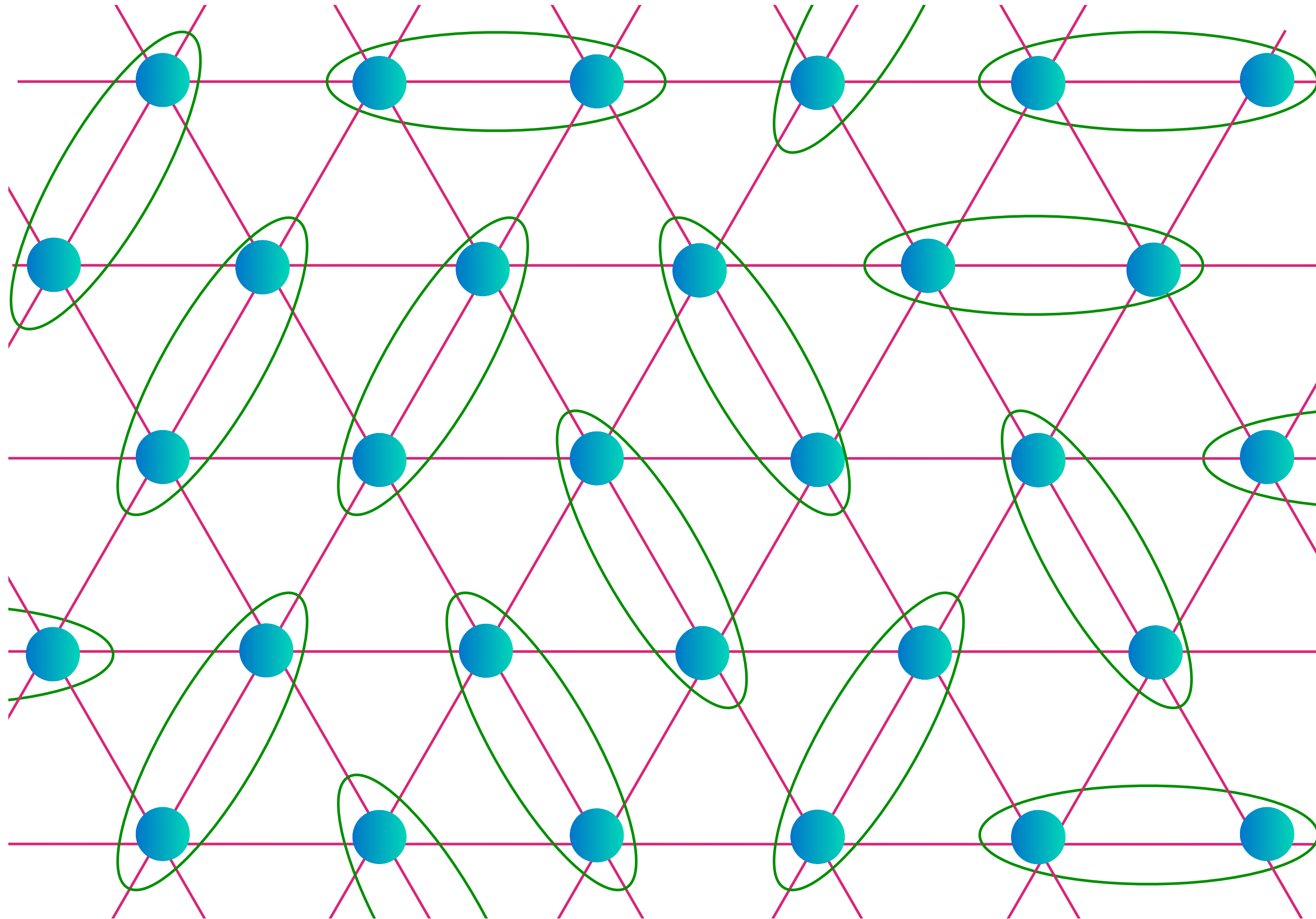


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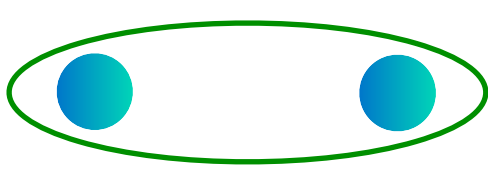


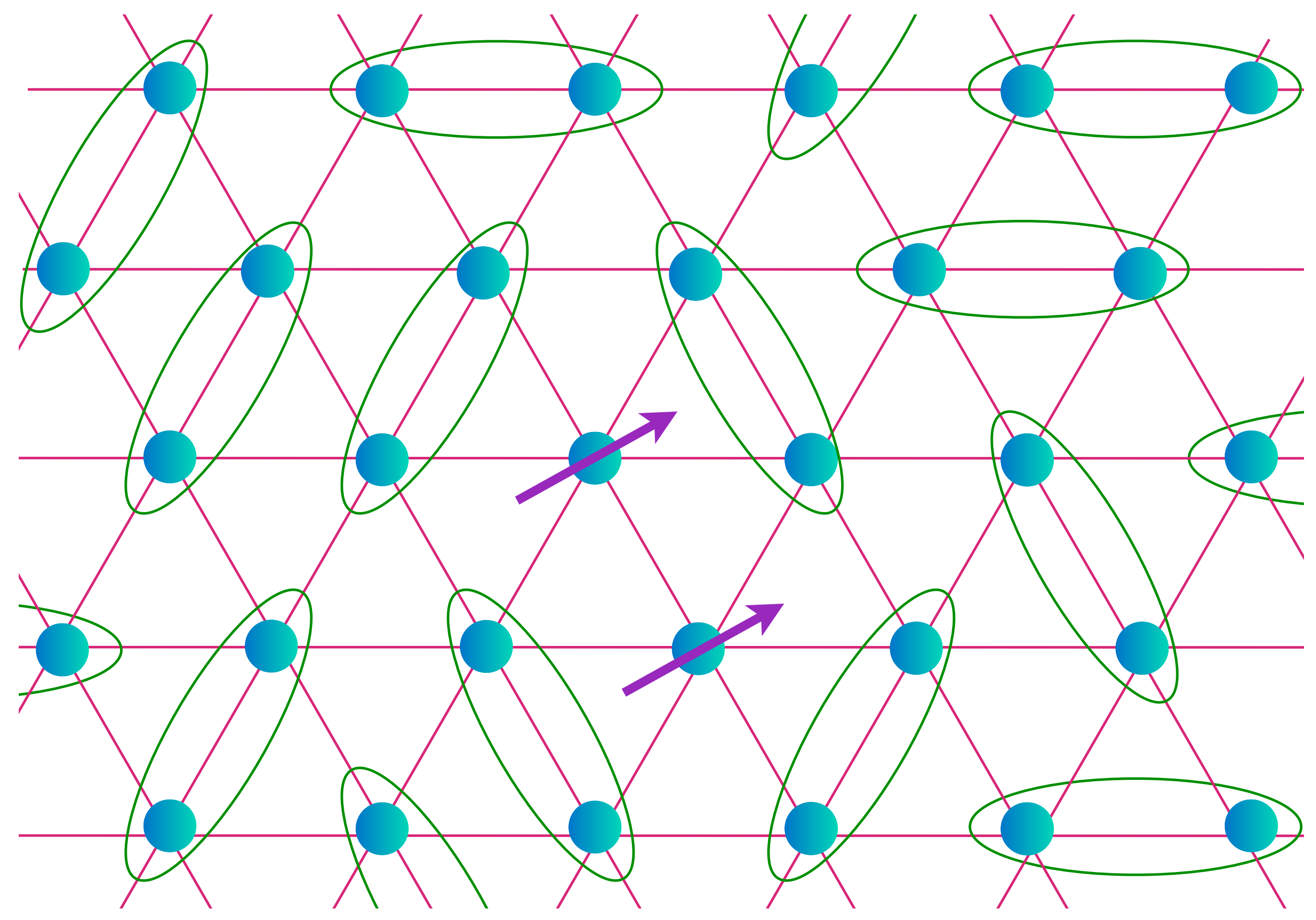
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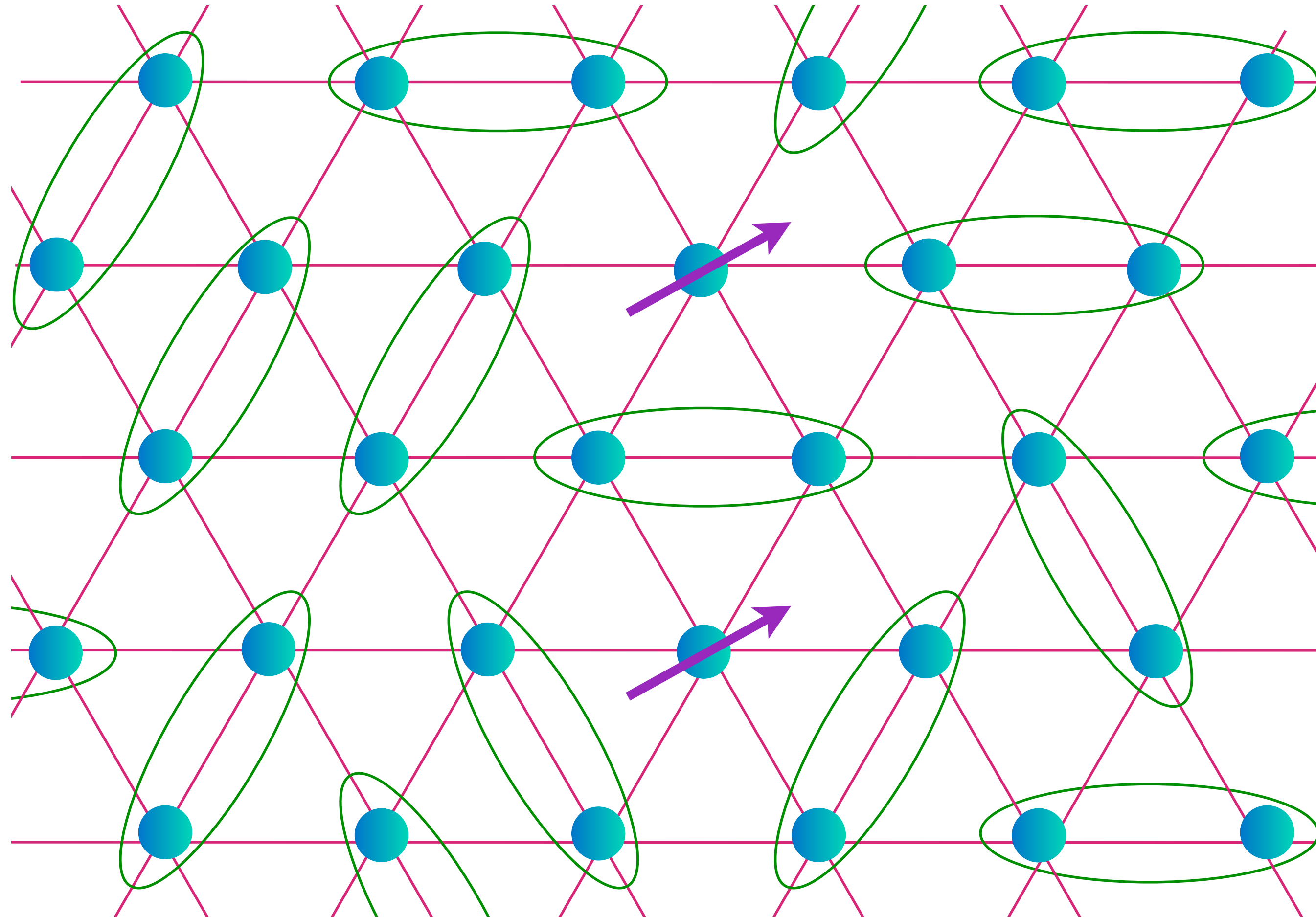

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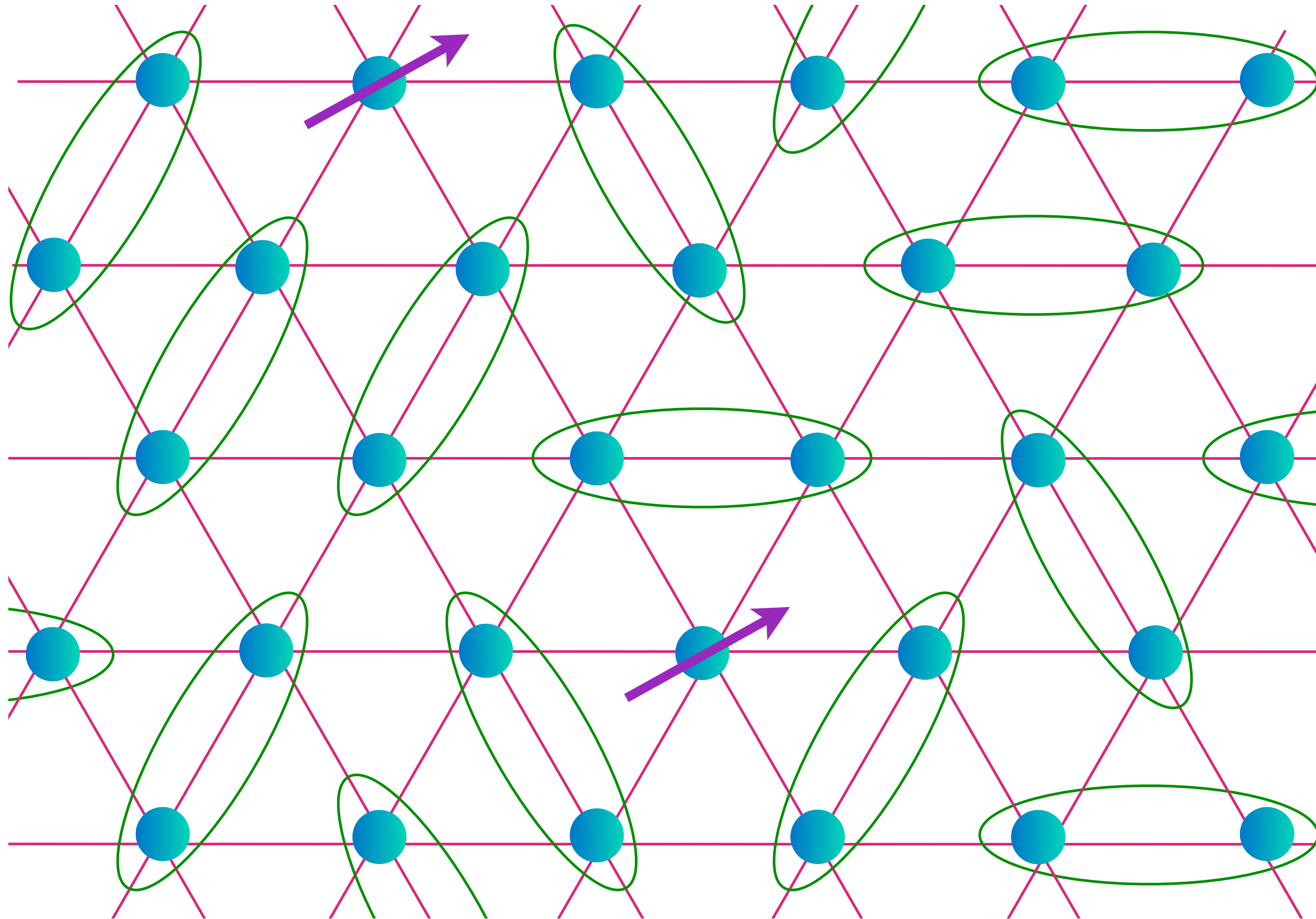


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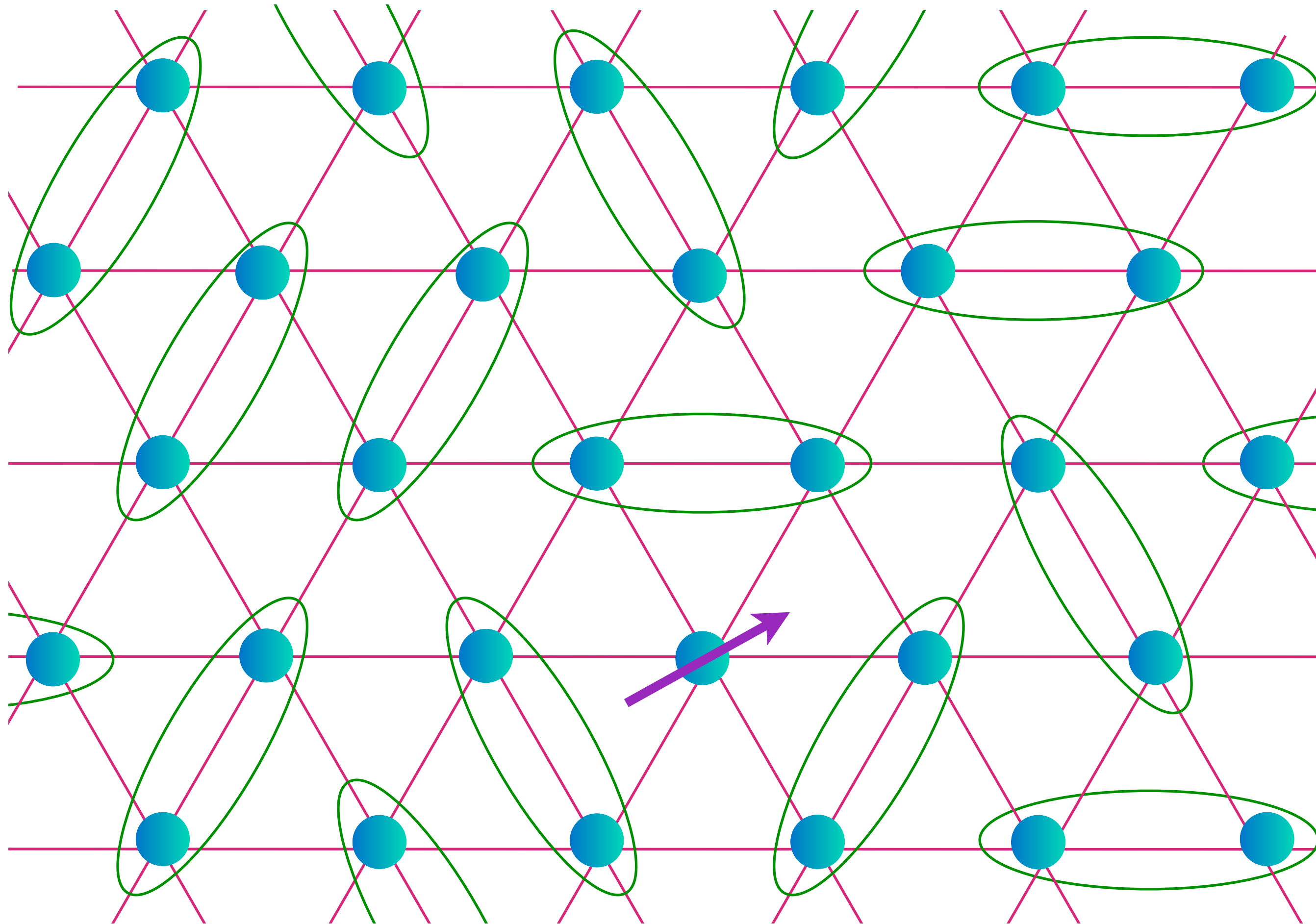


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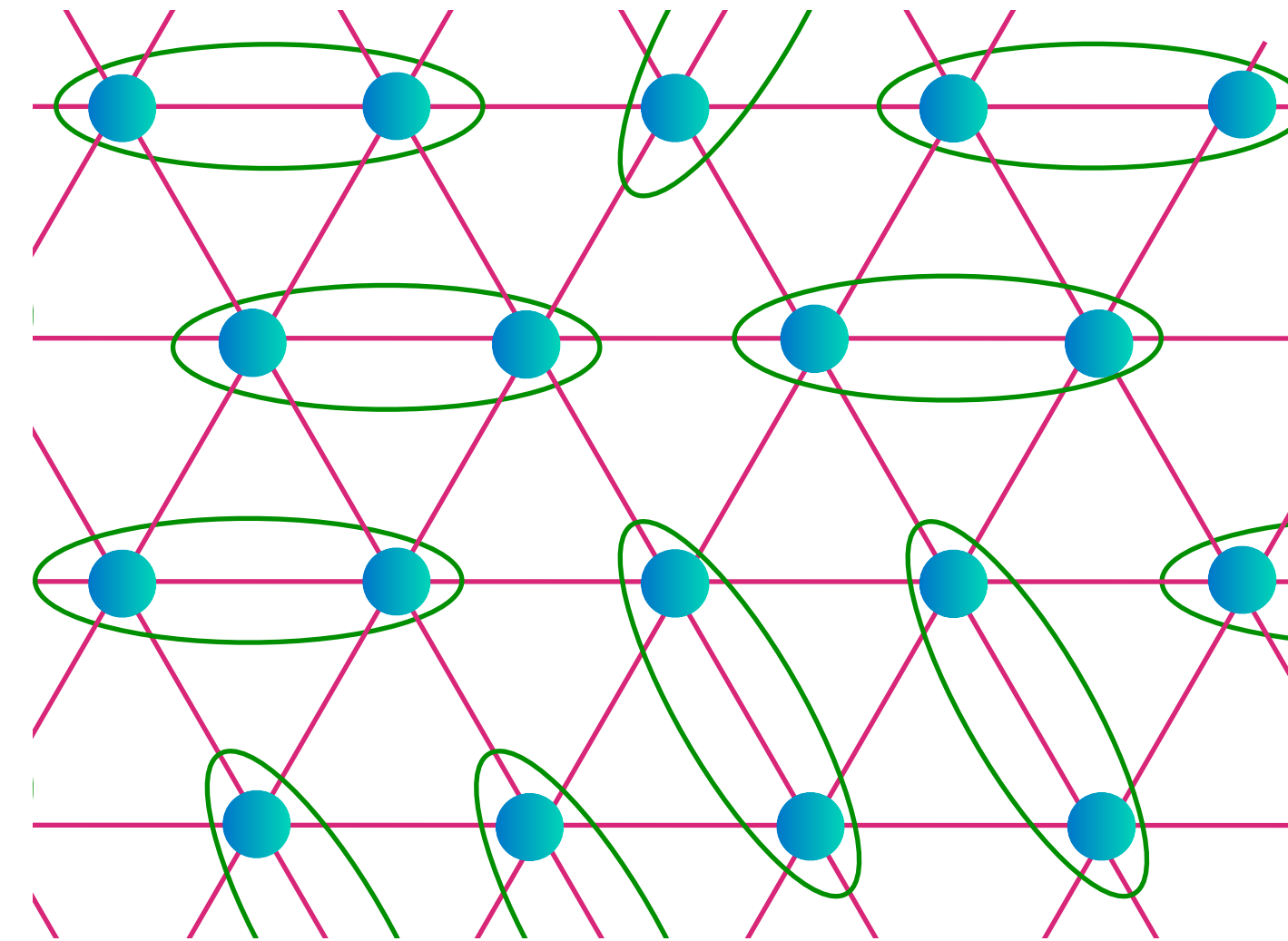
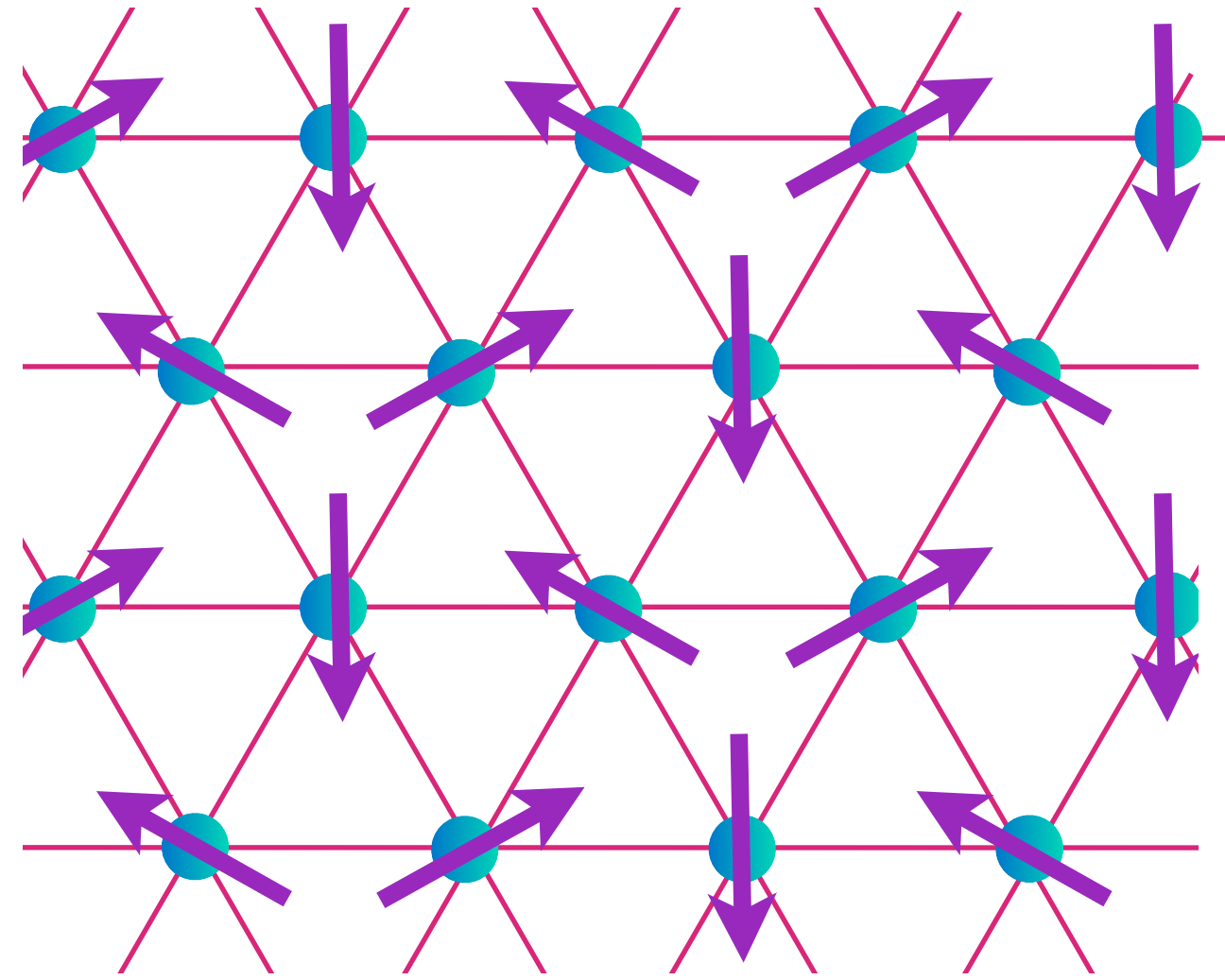
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Quantum phase transition from ordered antiferromagnet to \mathbb{Z}_2 spin liquid



Second neighbor
exchange J_2

Read and Sachdev (1990):

The RVB spin liquid has an emergent \mathbb{Z}_2 spin liquid.

The spinons carry electric \mathbb{Z}_2 gauge charges.

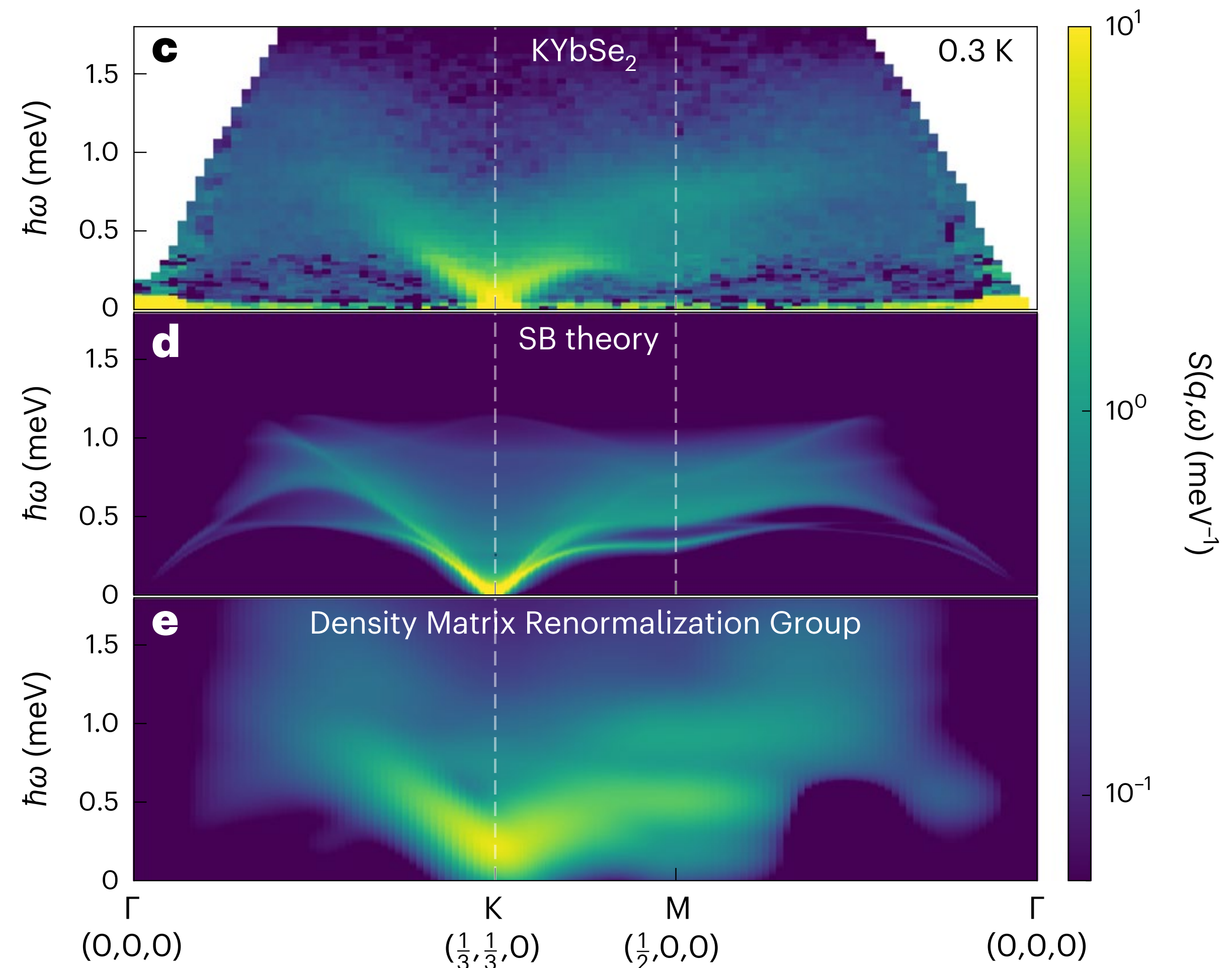
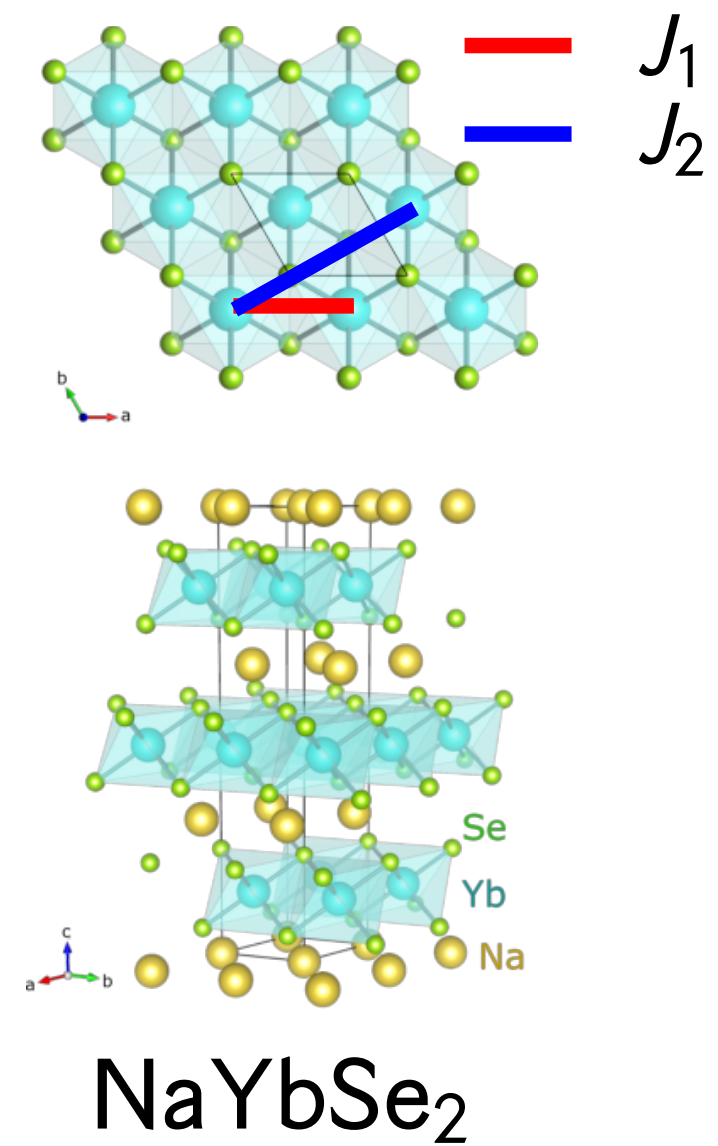
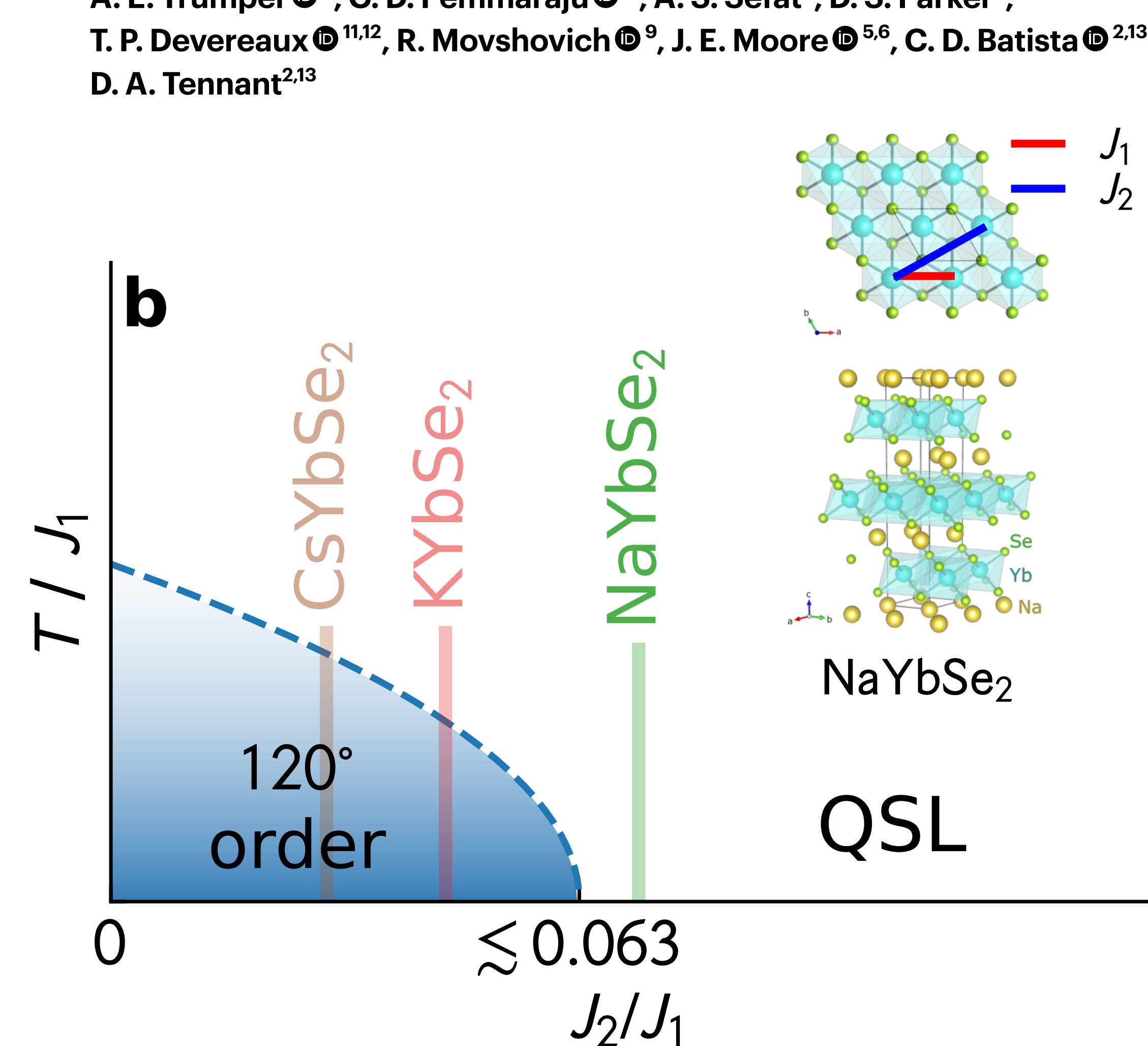
There are also emergent particles ('visons' or ' m ') which carry magnetic \mathbb{Z}_2 gauge charges.

This structure ("unitary modular tensor category") is the same as that found in Kitaev's toric code (1997).

Proximate spin liquid and fractionalization in the triangular antiferromagnet KYbSe_2

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Spectrum and low-energy gap in triangular quantum spin liquid NaYbSe₂

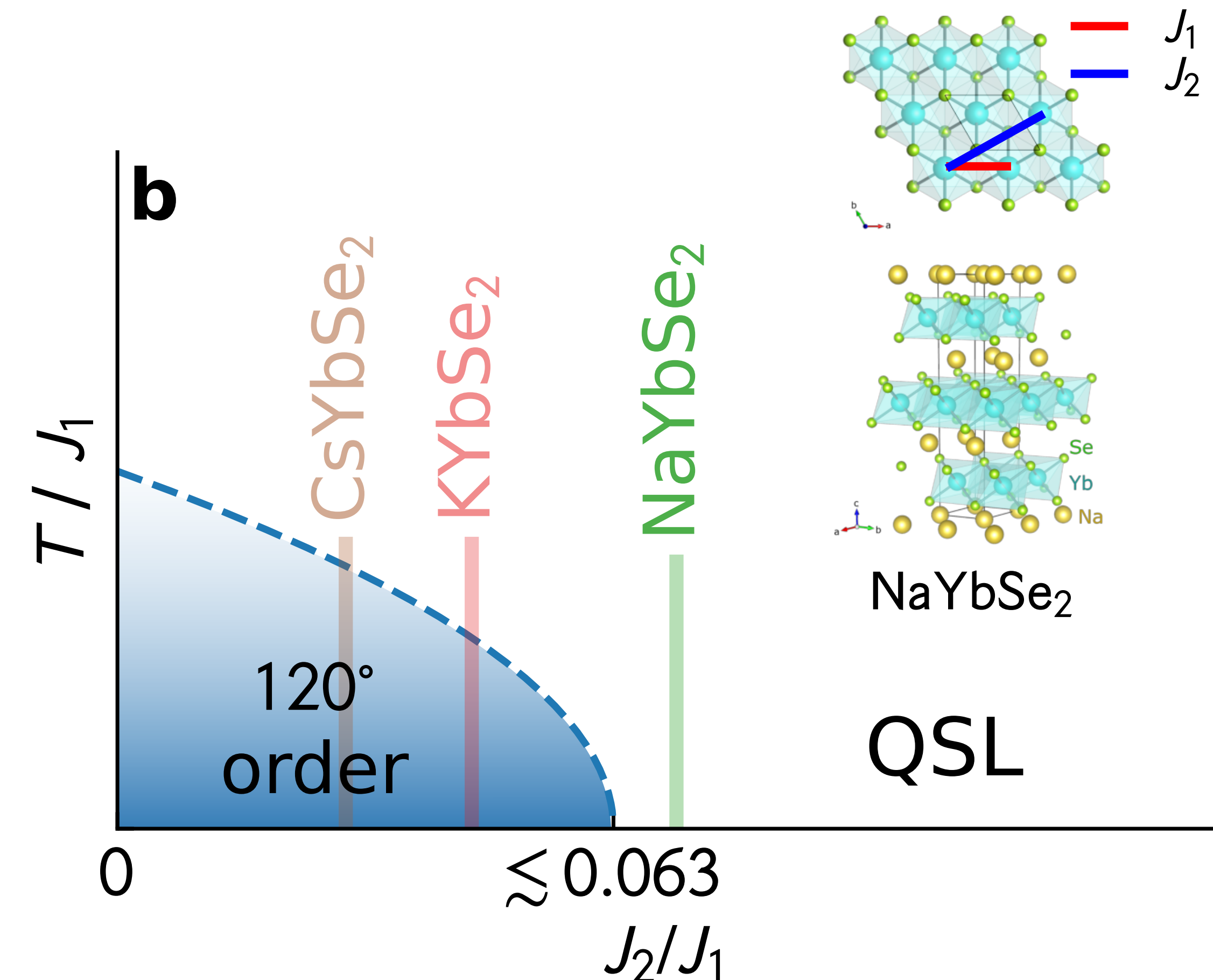
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We observe a continuum of (neutron) scattering, which is reproduced by matrix product simulations, and no phase transition is detected in any bulk measurements ...

AC susceptibility shows a significant 23 mK downturn, indicating a gap in the magnetic spectrum ...

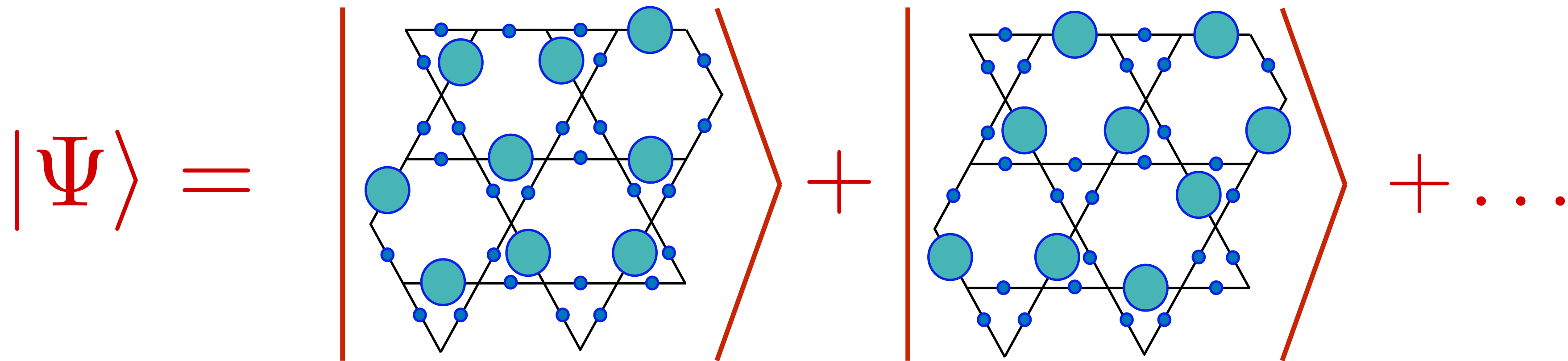
NaYbSe₂ is within the quantum spin liquid phase ... with a gapped \mathbb{Z}_2 liquid the most natural explanation.



Probing Topological Spin Liquids on a Programmable Quantum Simulator

G. Semeghini, H. Levine, A. Keesling, S. Ebadi, T.T.Wang, D. Bluvstein, R. Verresen, H. Pichler, M. Kalinowski, R. Samajdar, A. Omran, S. Sachdev, A. Vishwanath, M. Greiner, V. Vuletic, M. D. Lukin, Science **374**, 1242 (2021).

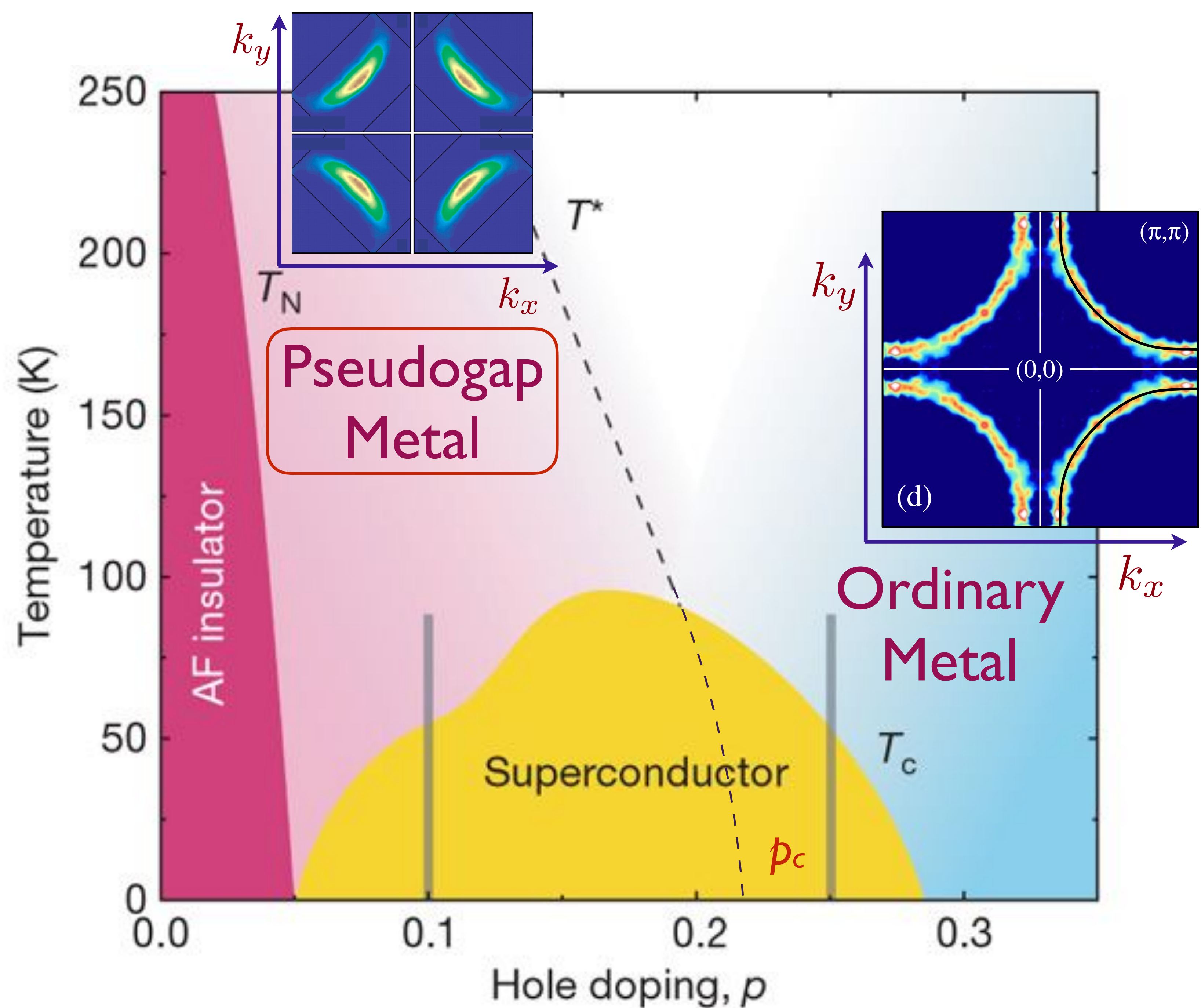
Rydberg atoms on the link-kagome lattice.



Evidence for
 \mathbb{Z}_2 spin liquid
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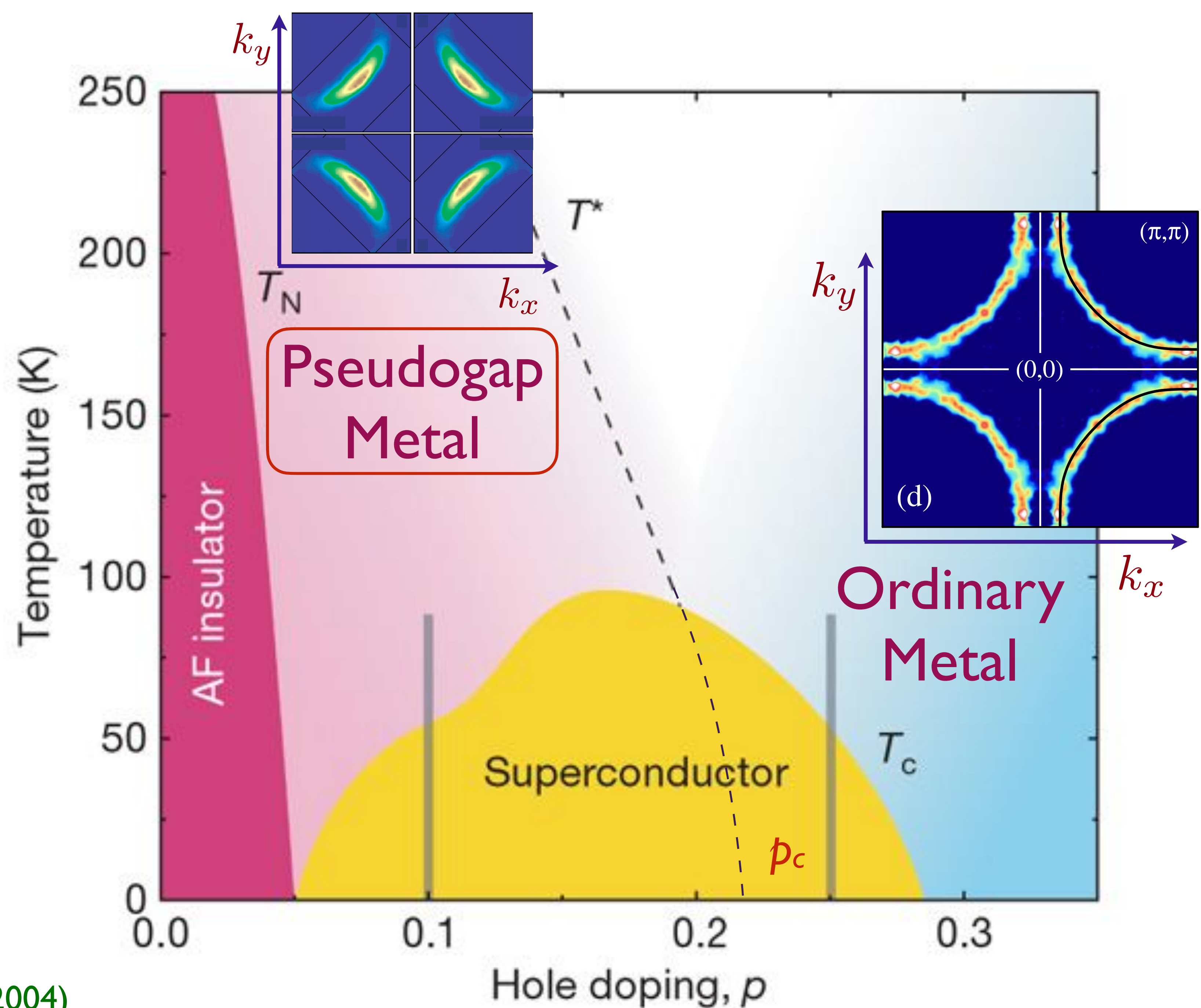
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Non-Luttinger area
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fractionalized
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background



Anisotropic damping and wave vector dependent susceptibility of the spin fluctuations in $\text{La}_{2-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{CuO}_4$ studied by resonant inelastic x-ray scattering

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- Spin waves in insulator broaden into a continuum:

Most natural interpretation is a spinon continuum, similar to that observed on the triangular lattice in KYbSe_2

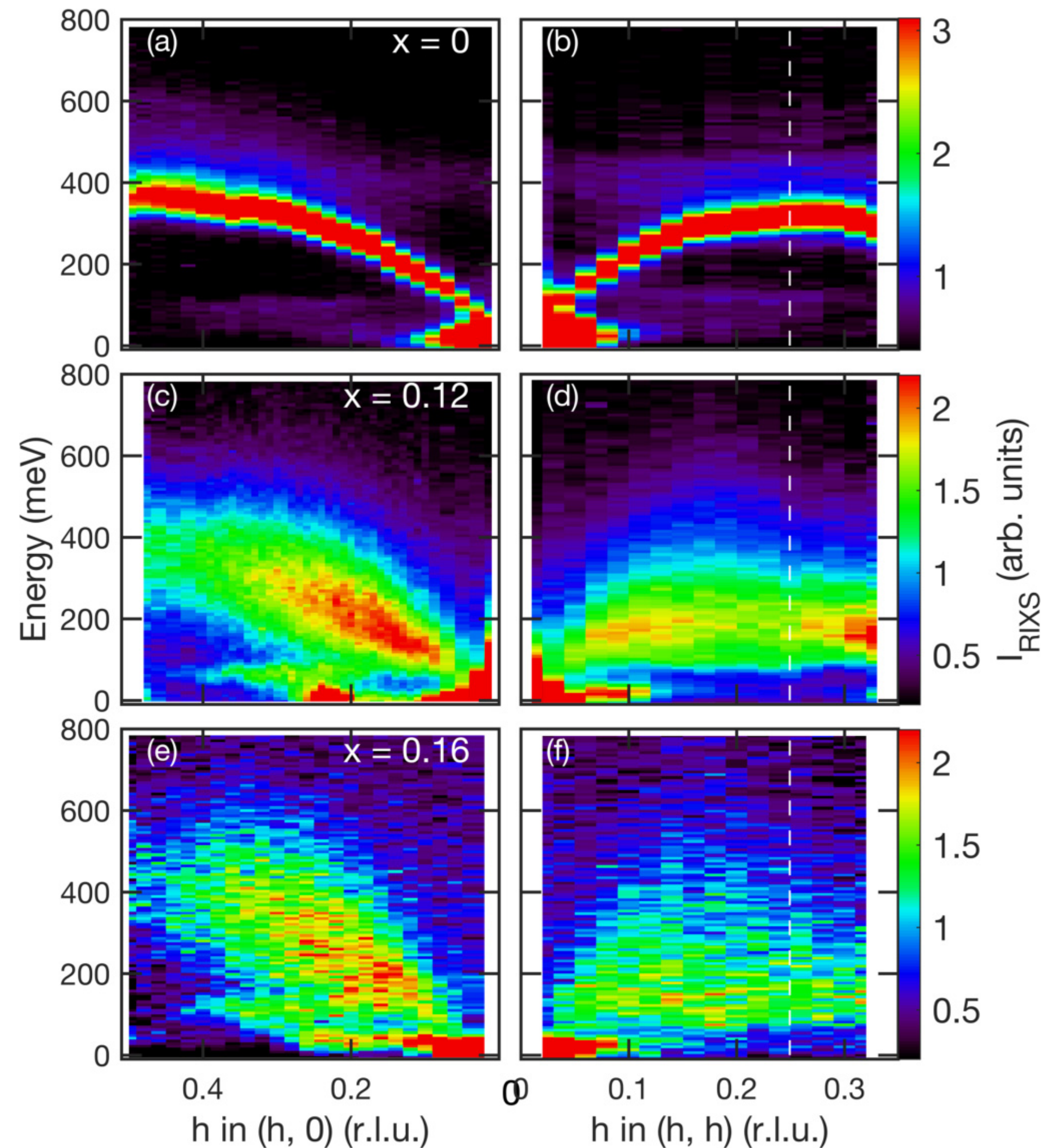
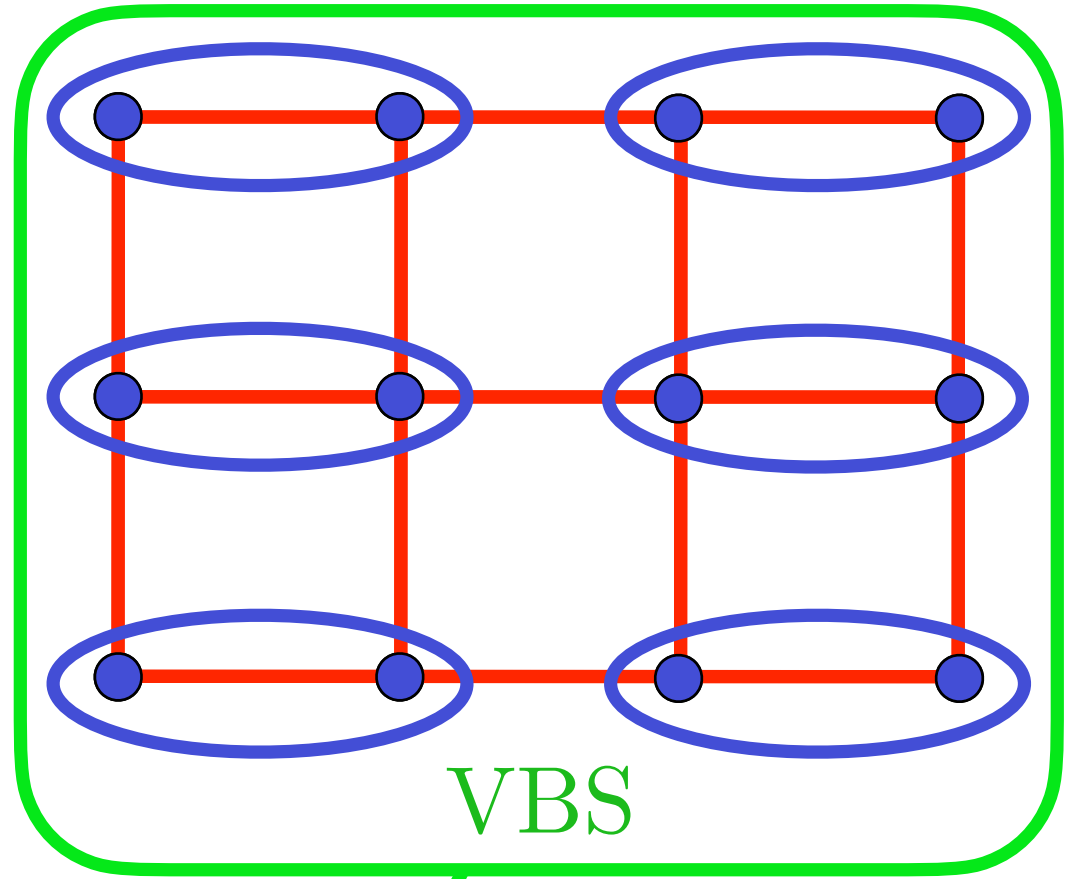
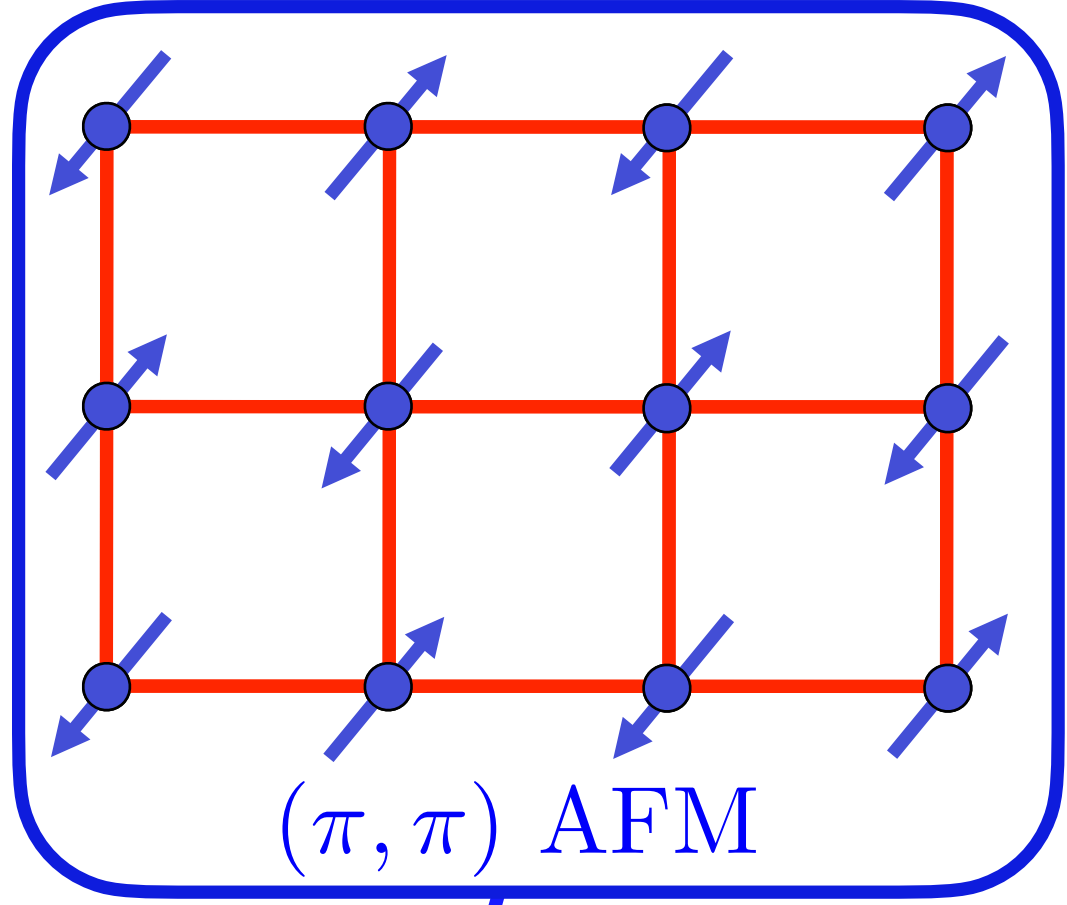
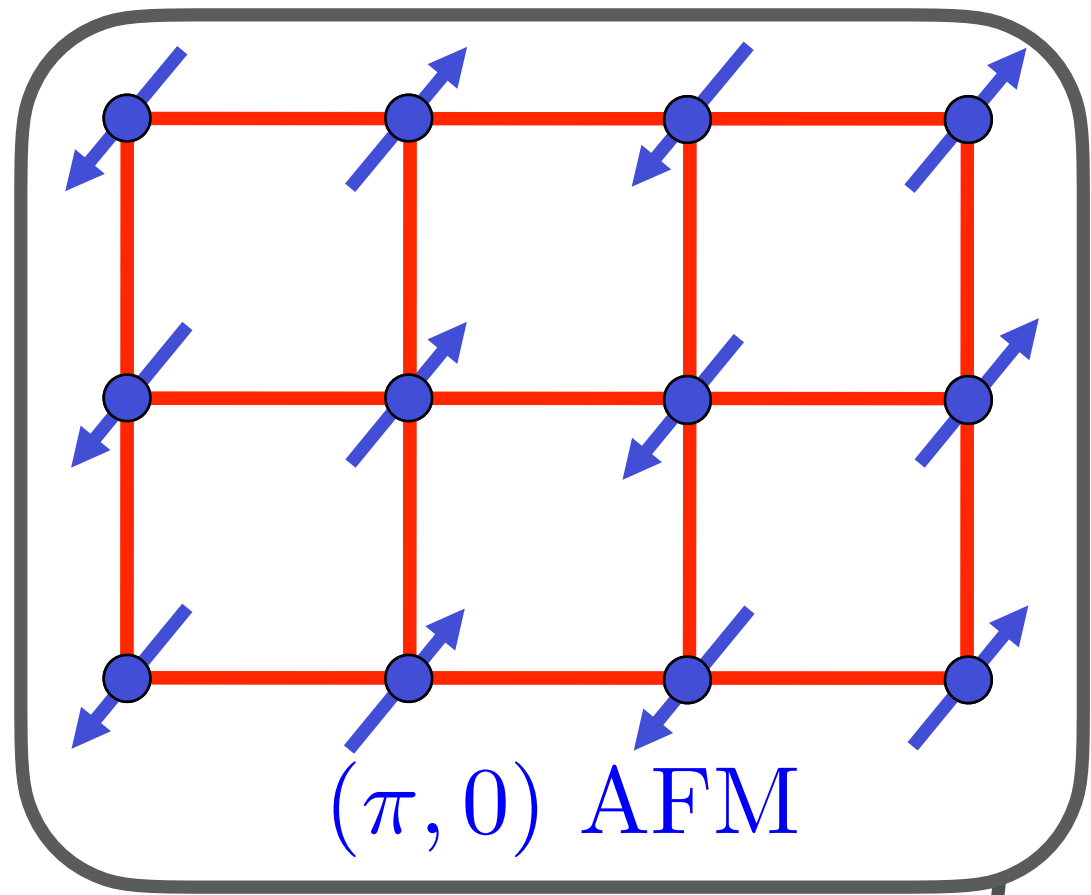
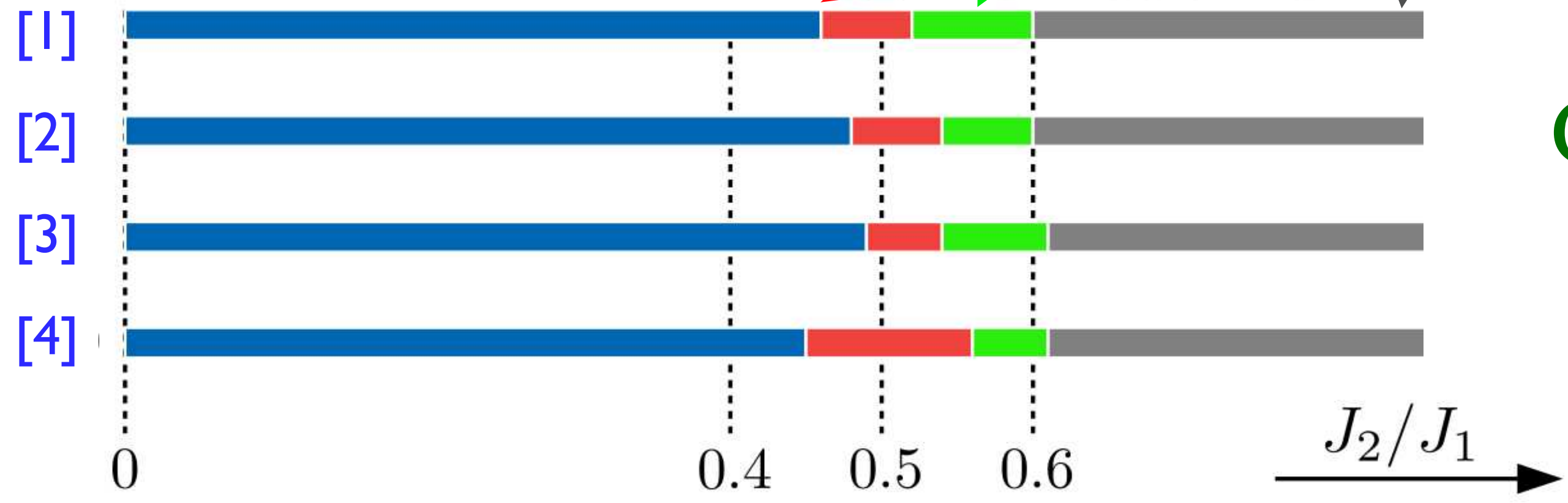


FIG. 2. I_{RIXS} intensity maps as a function of Q in LSCO $x = 0$ ($T \approx 20$ K), 0.12, and 0.16 ($T \approx 30$ K).

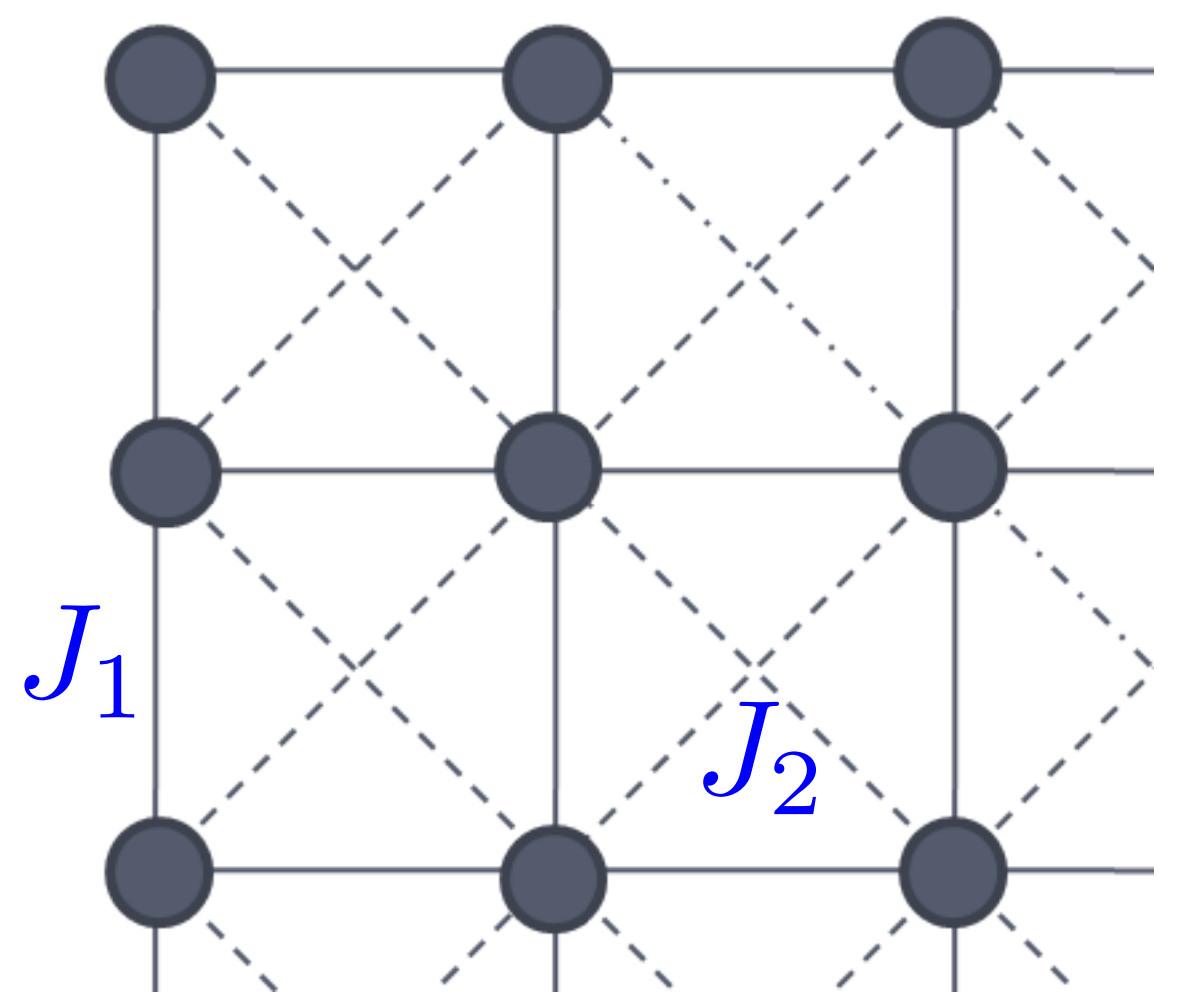
$S=1/2$ square lattice



Spin Liquid



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

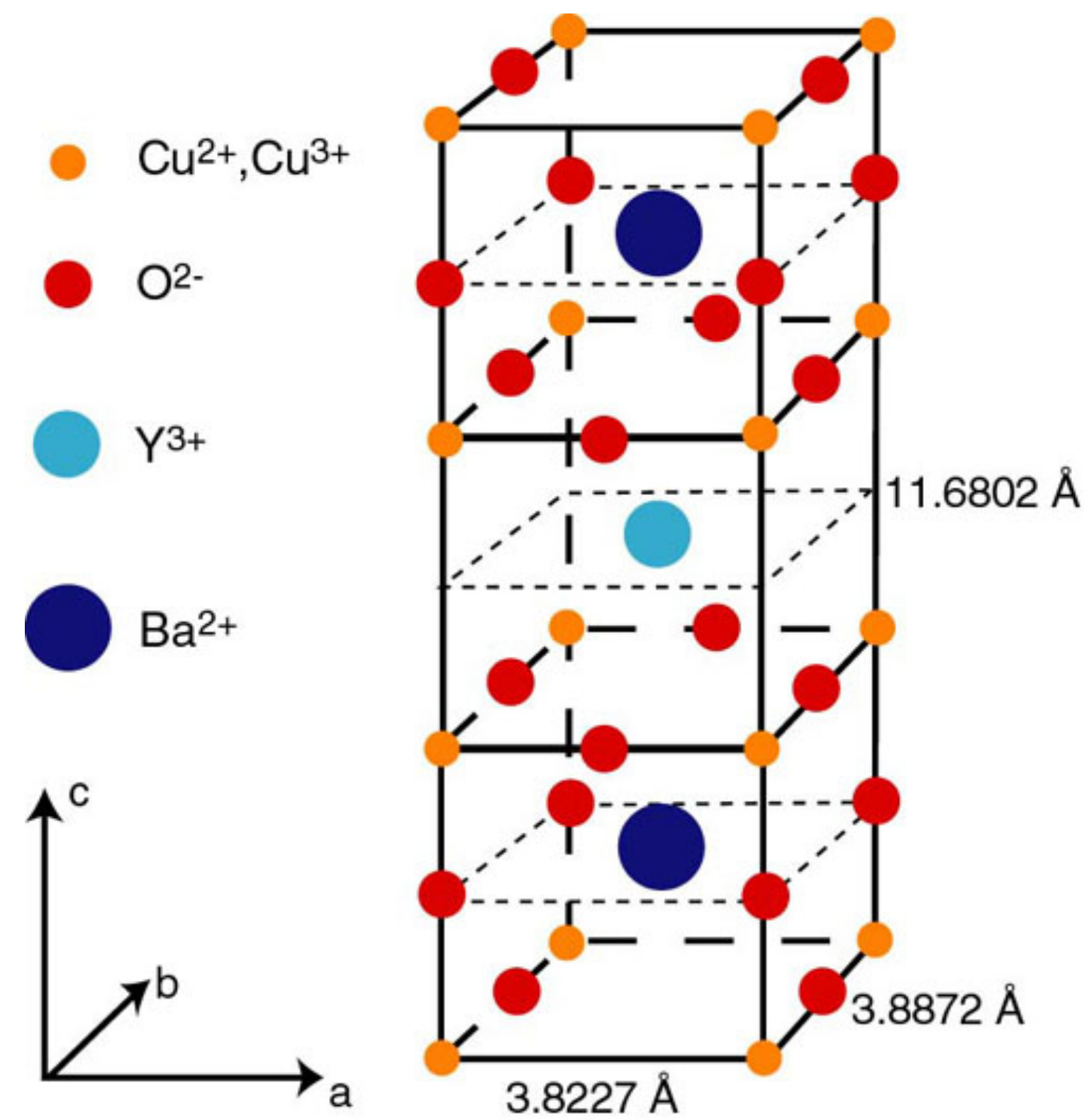
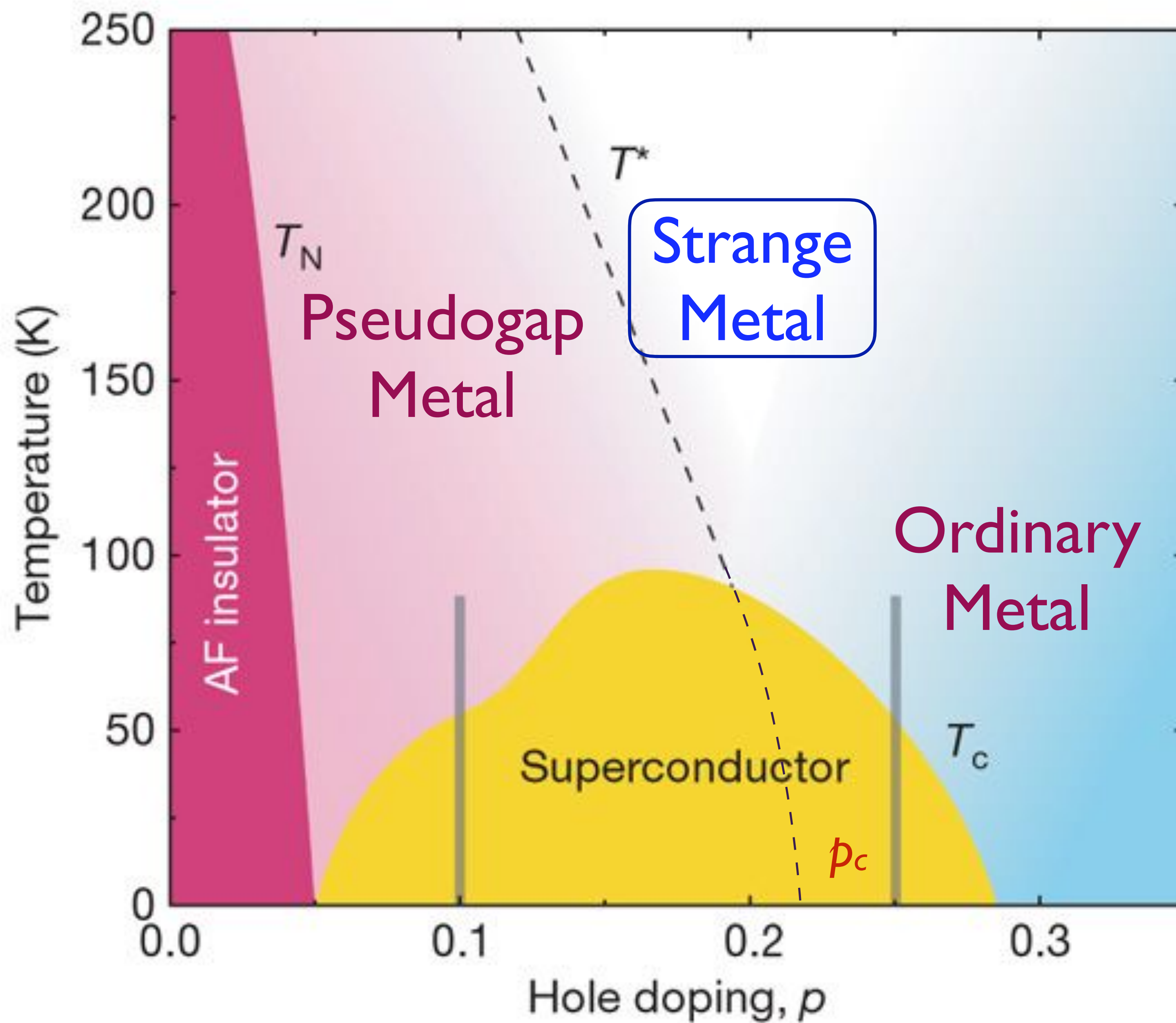


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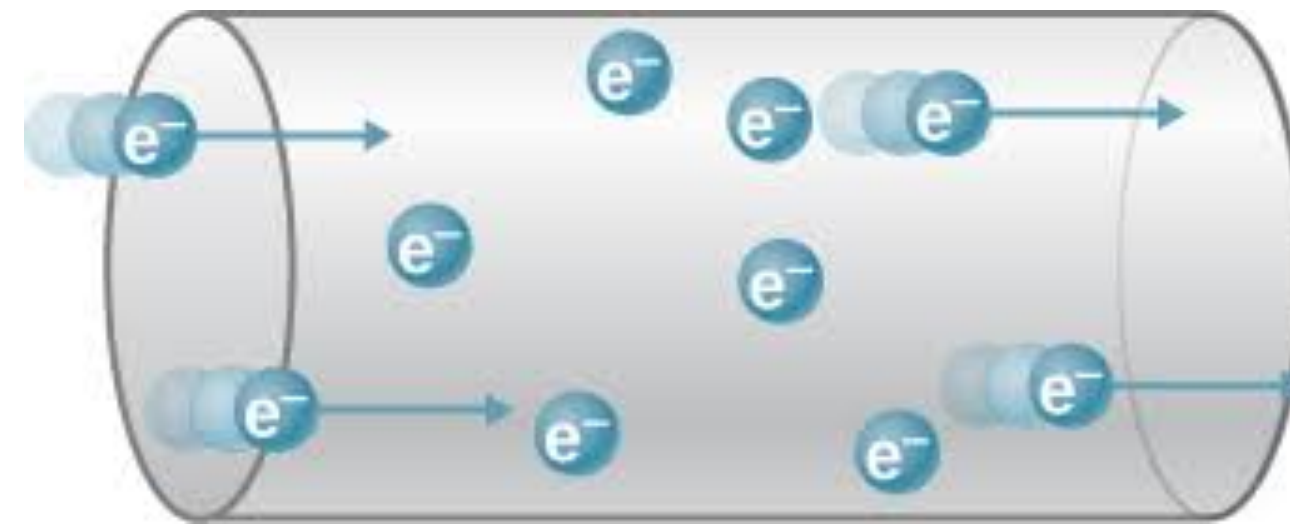
Consistent with U(1) gauge theory of spinons and monopoles
 N. Read and S. S., PRL **62**, 1694 (1989)

Entanglement of mobile electrons.

Metals without quasiparticles:
the SYK model



Current flow with electrons in ordinary metals



Flow of electrons described by Boltzmann equation \Rightarrow
typical scattering time $\tau \sim 1/(UT)^2$ (U is the strength of interactions),
resistivity $\rho(T) = \rho(0) + AT^2$

The time τ is much longer than a limiting ‘Planckian time’ $\frac{\hbar}{k_B T}$.

The long scattering time implies that individual electrons are well-defined.

Reconciling scaling of the optical conductivity of cuprate superconductors with Planckian resistivity and specific heat

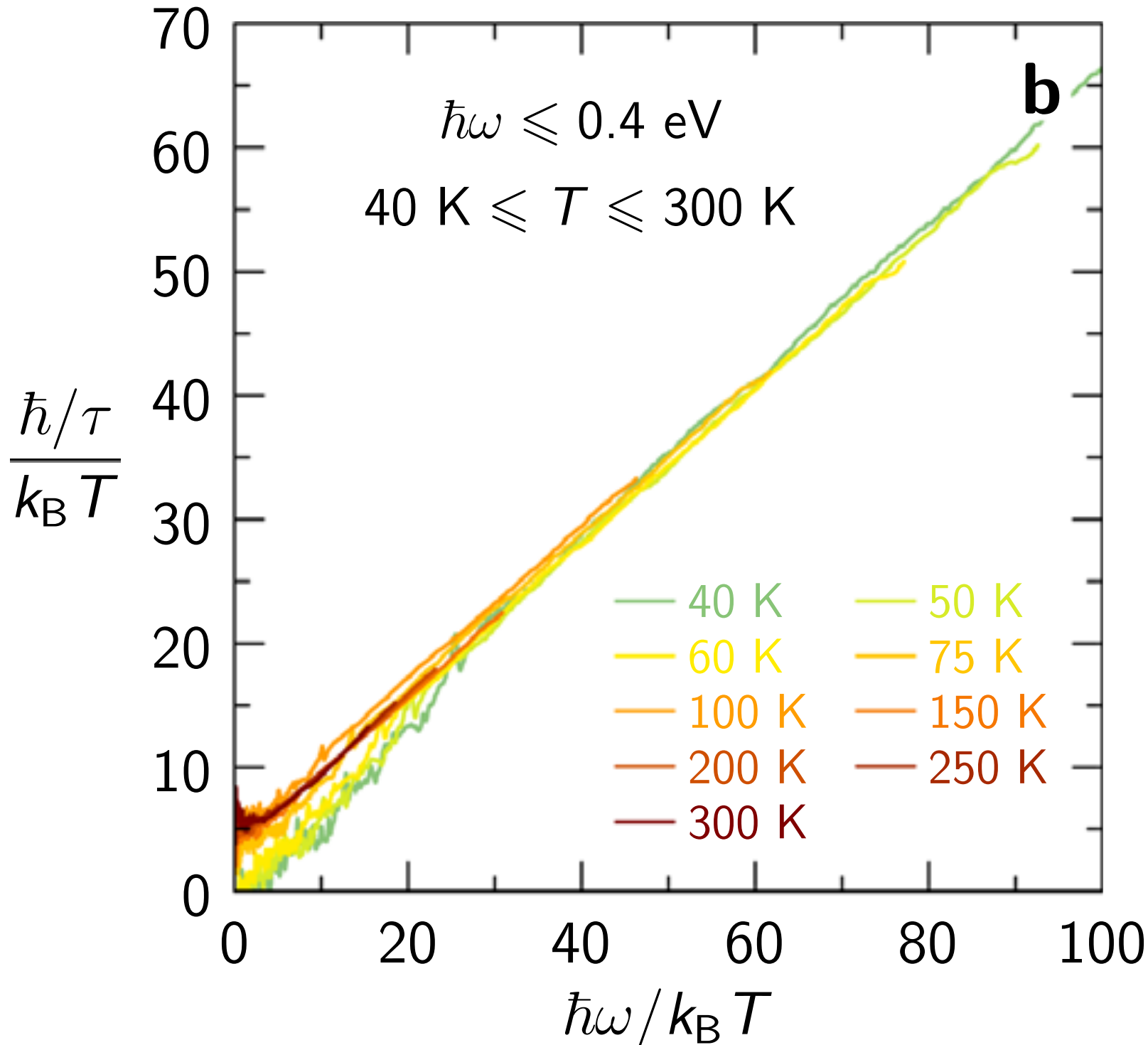
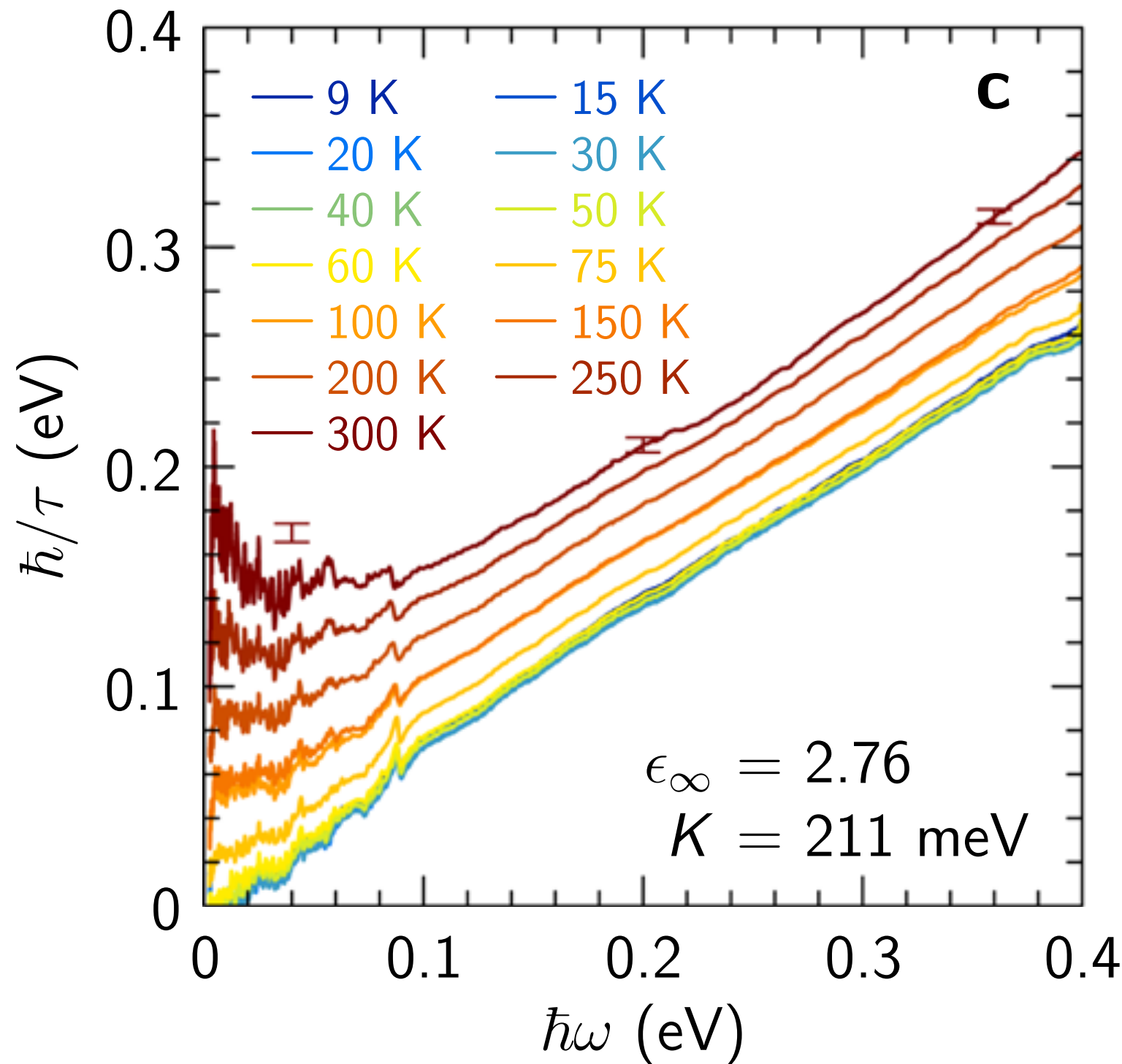
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Nature Communications **14**, Article number: 3033 (2023)

$$\sigma(\omega) = i \frac{e^2 K / (\hbar d_c)}{\hbar \omega \frac{m^*(\omega)}{m} + i \frac{\hbar}{\tau(\omega)}}$$

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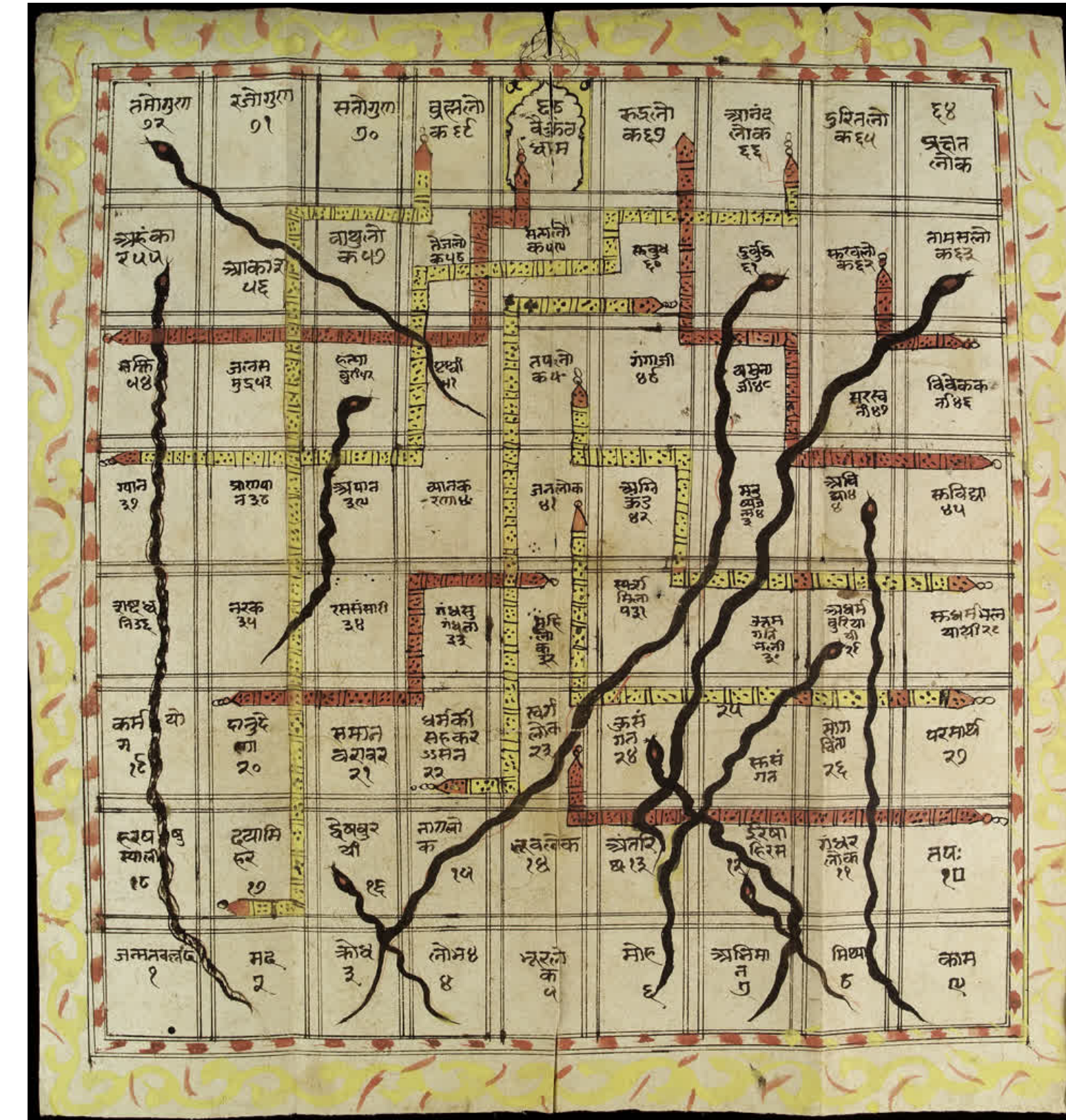


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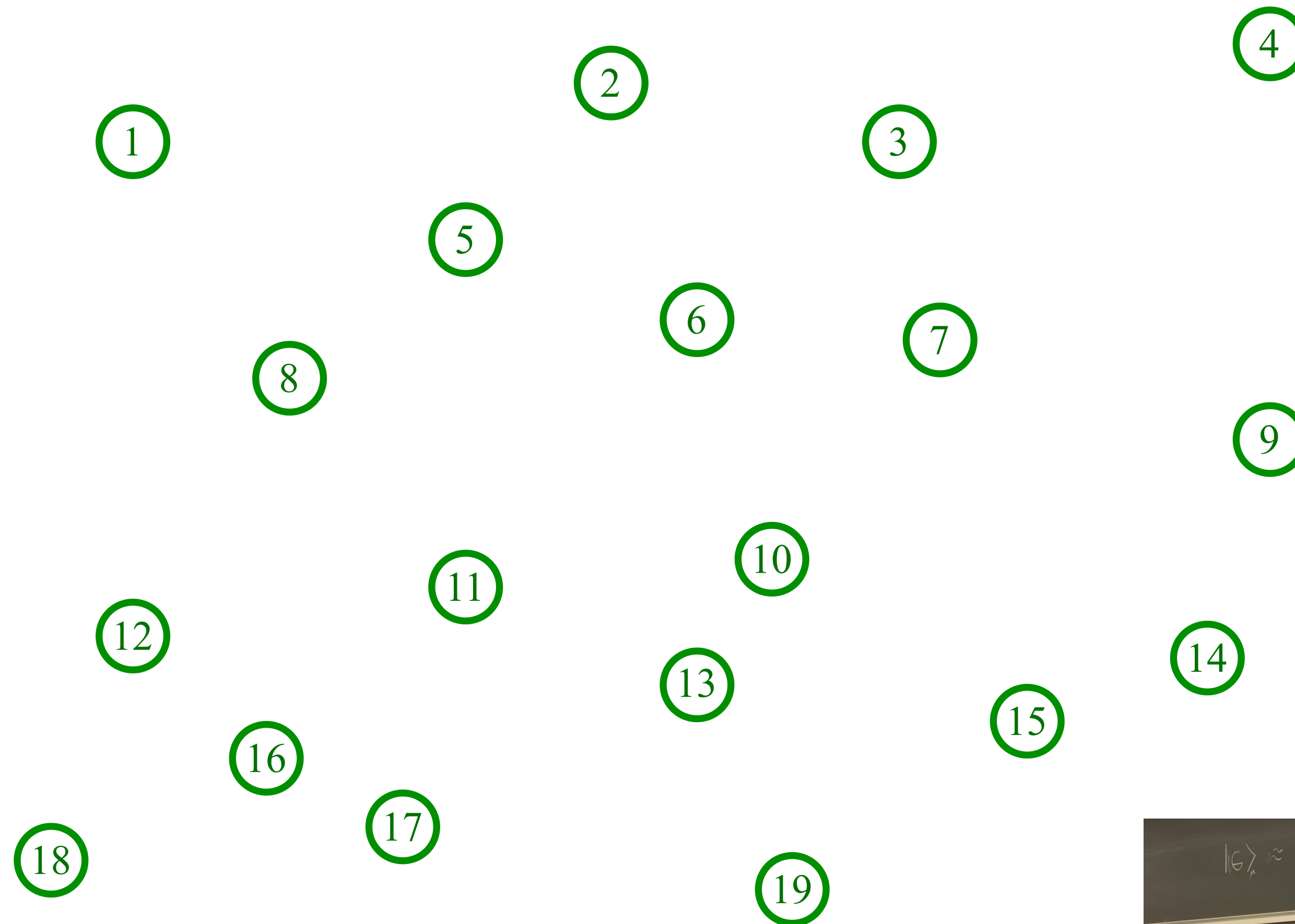
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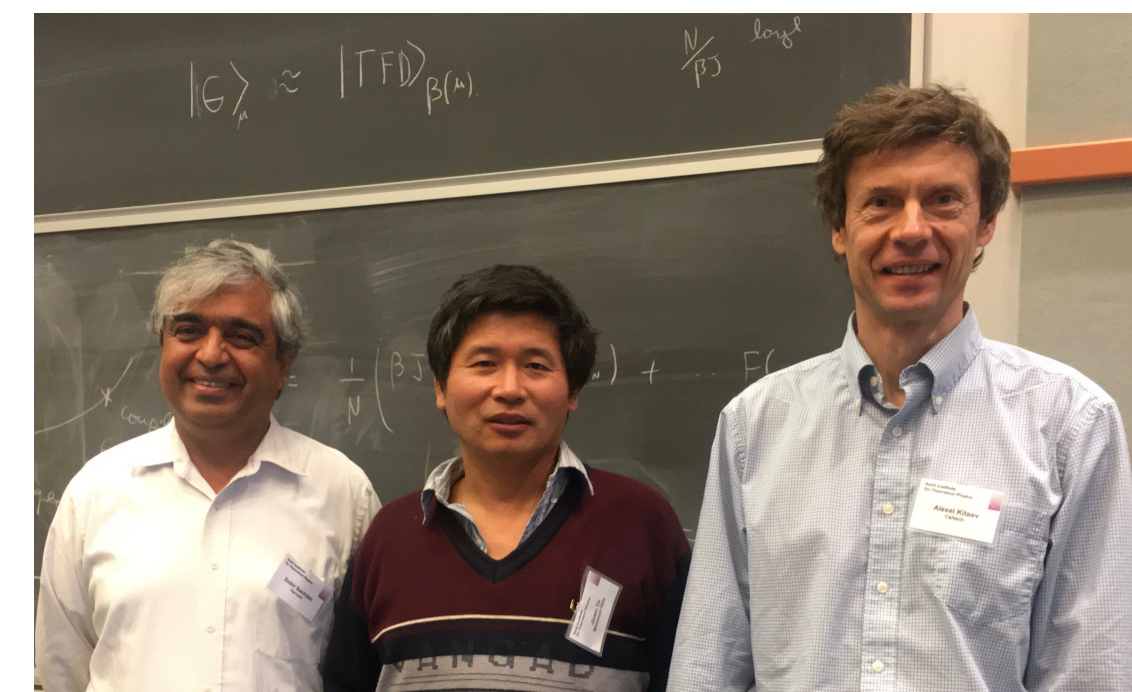
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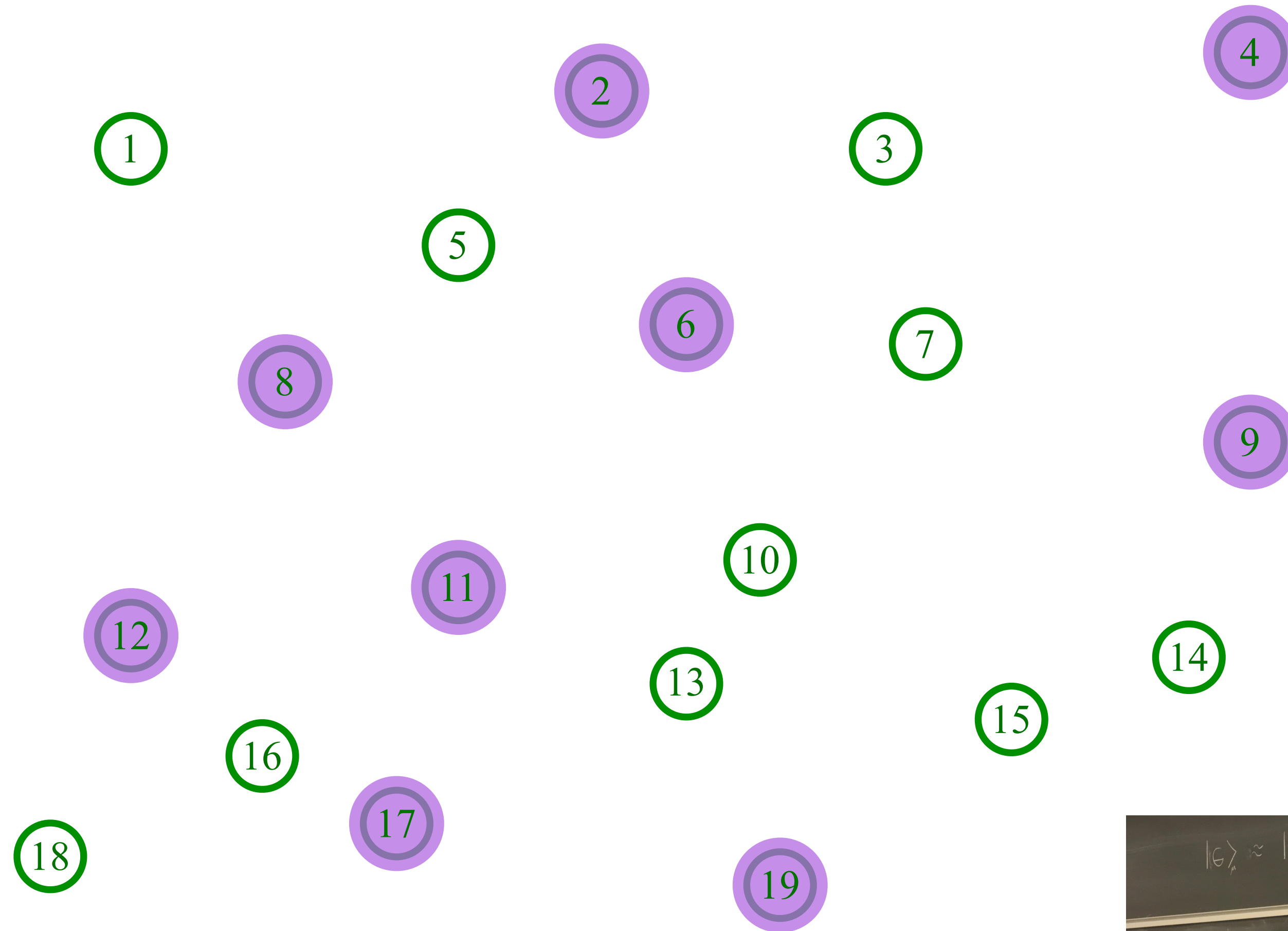


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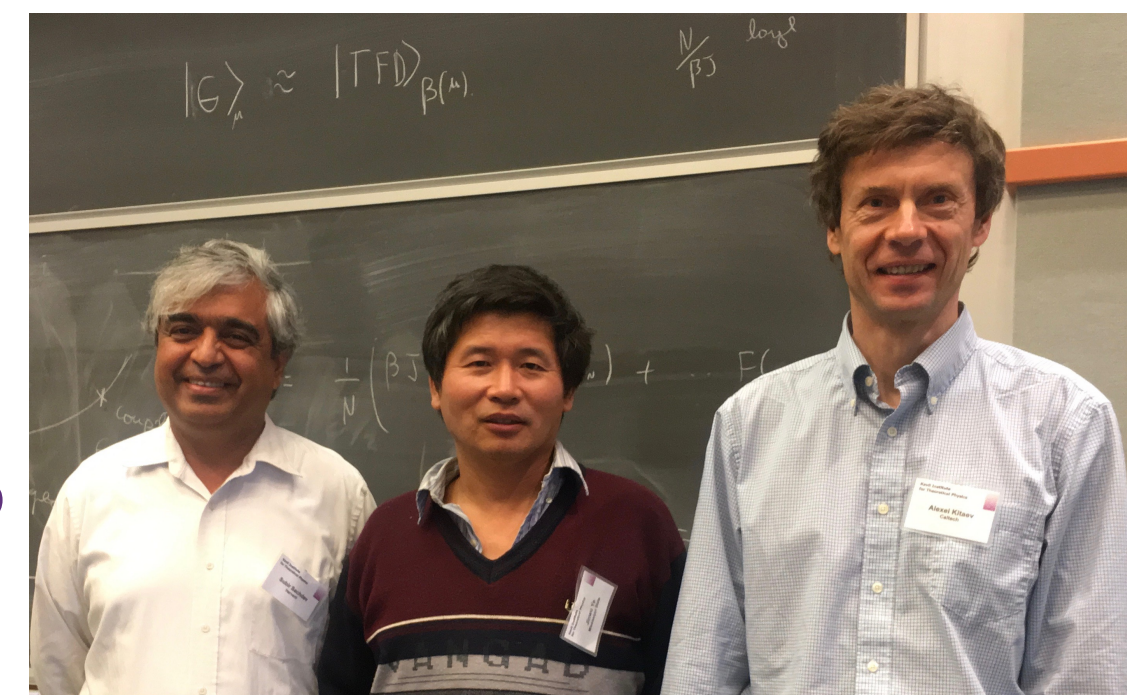


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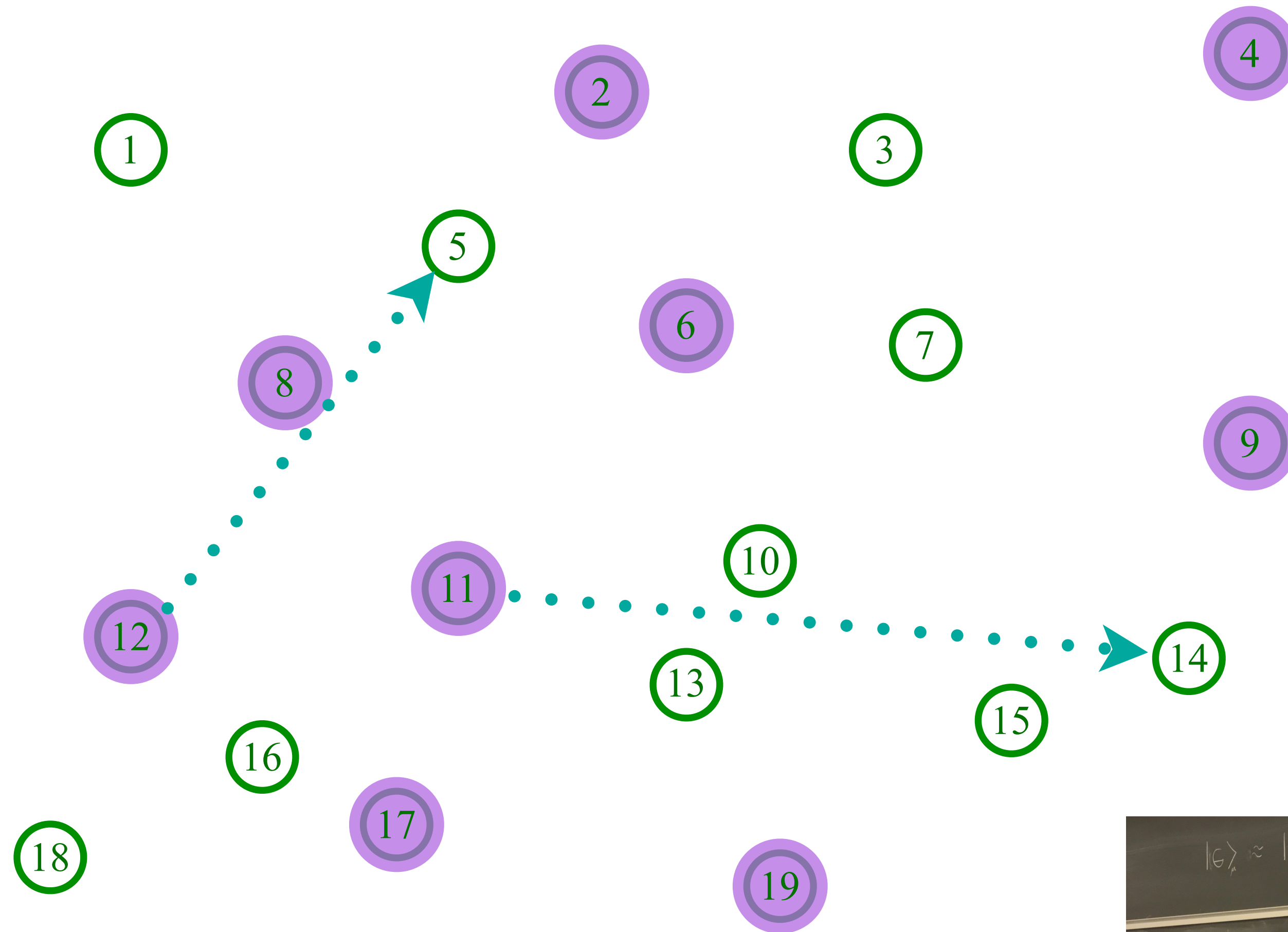
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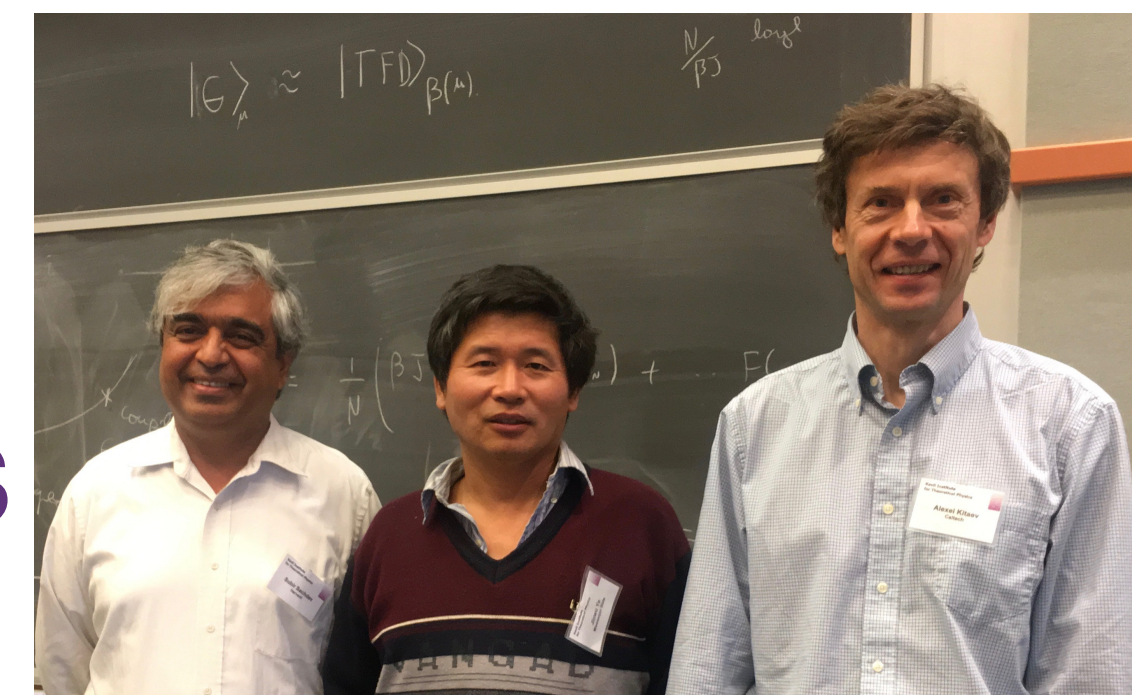
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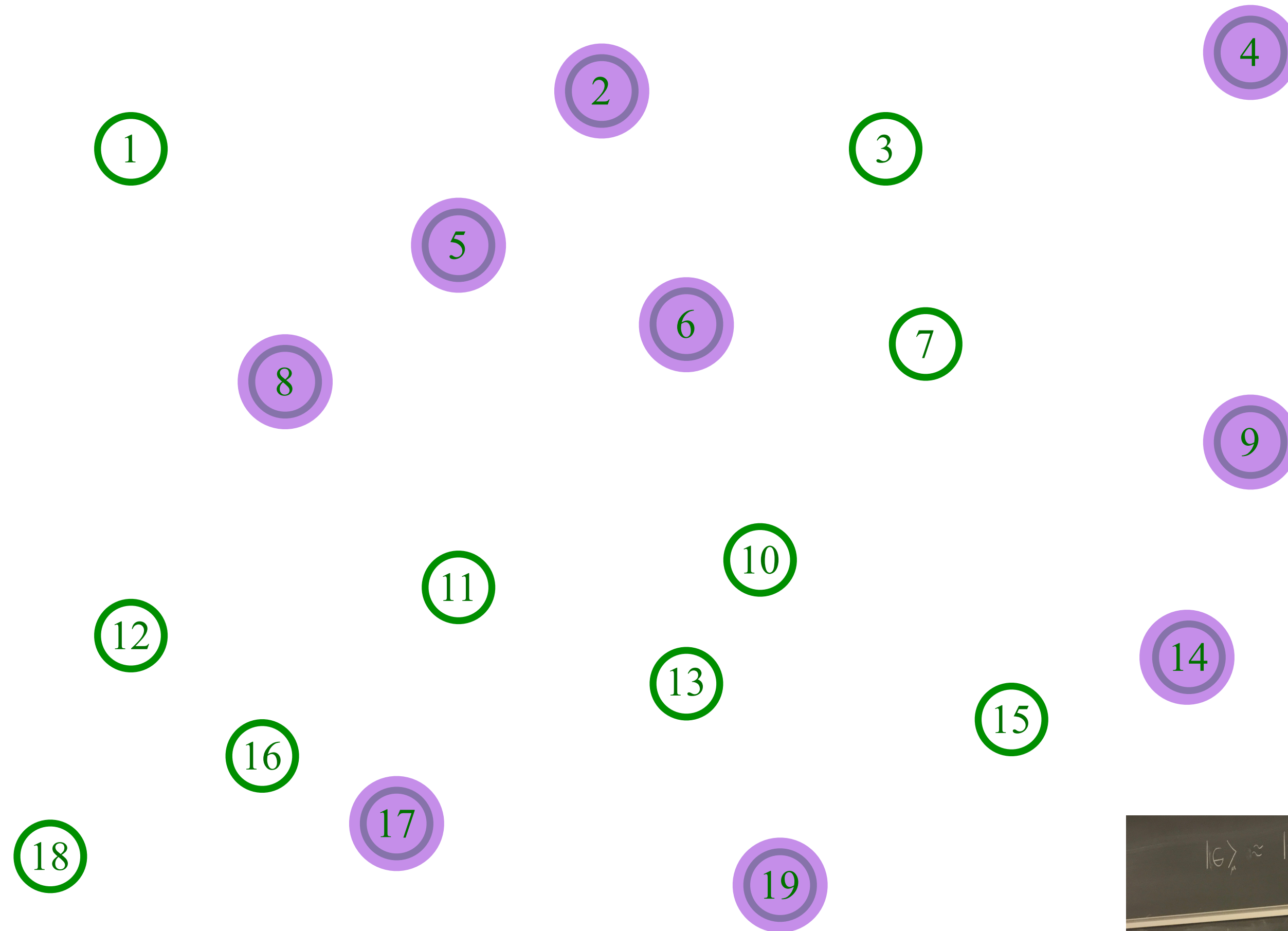
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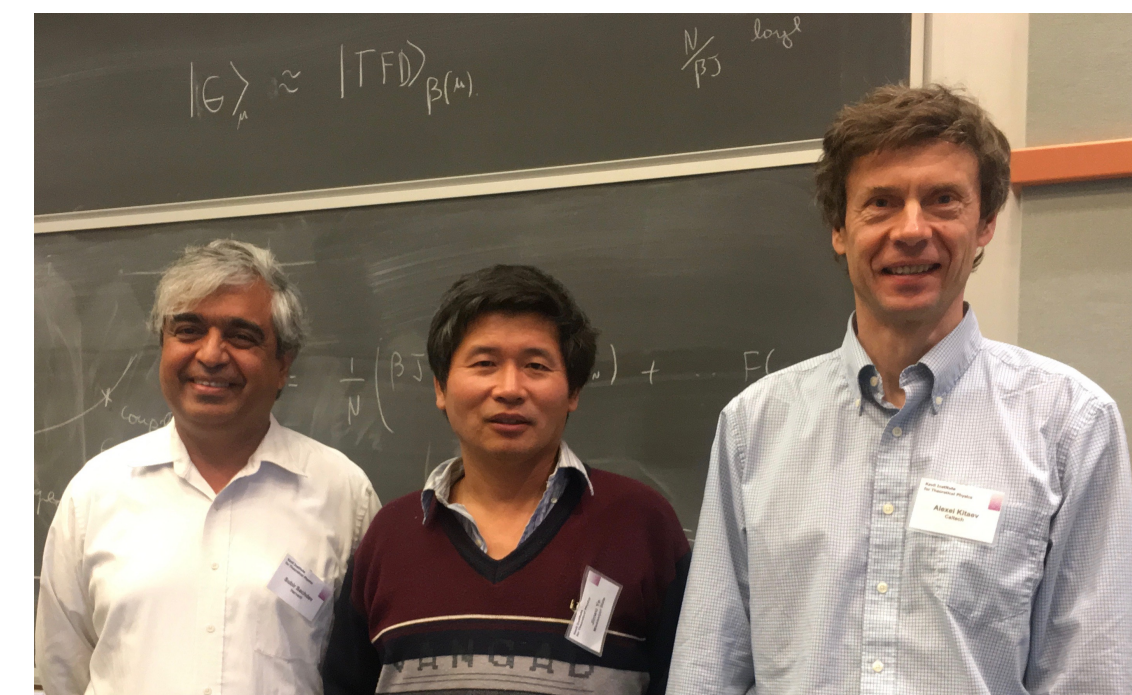
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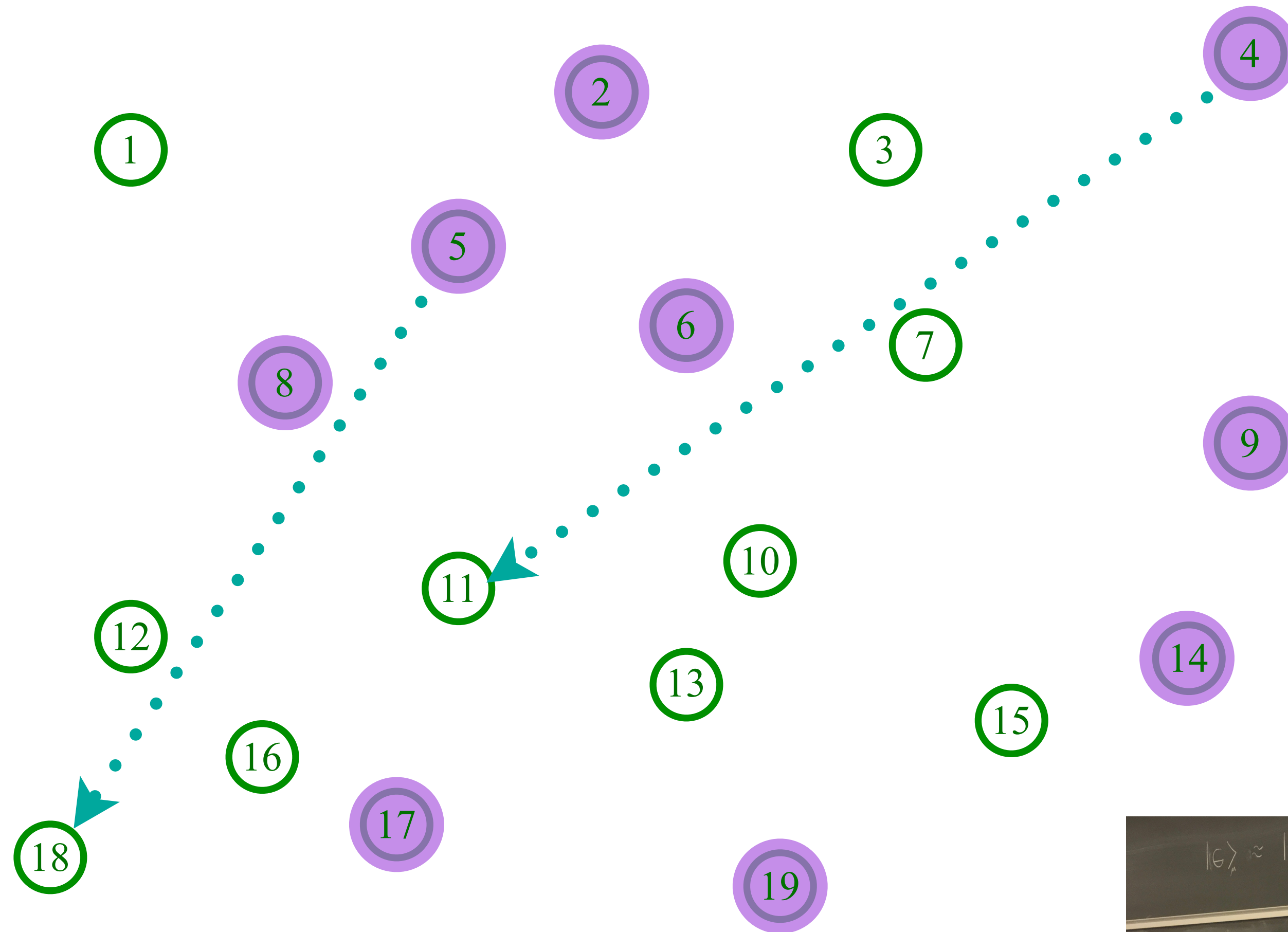
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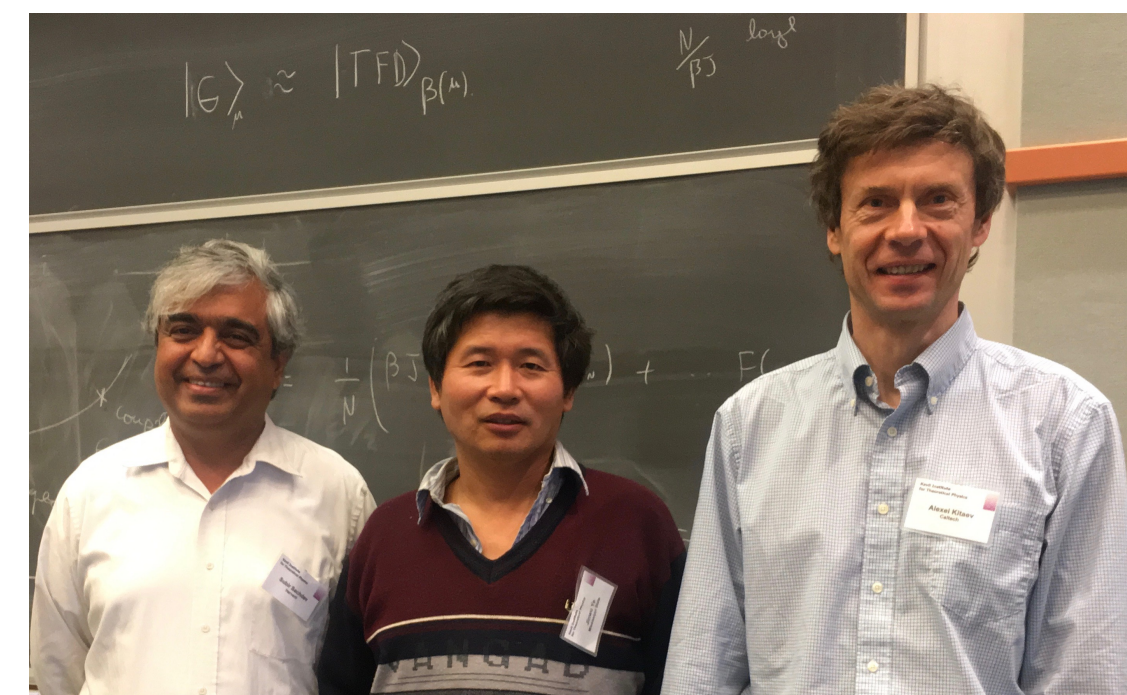
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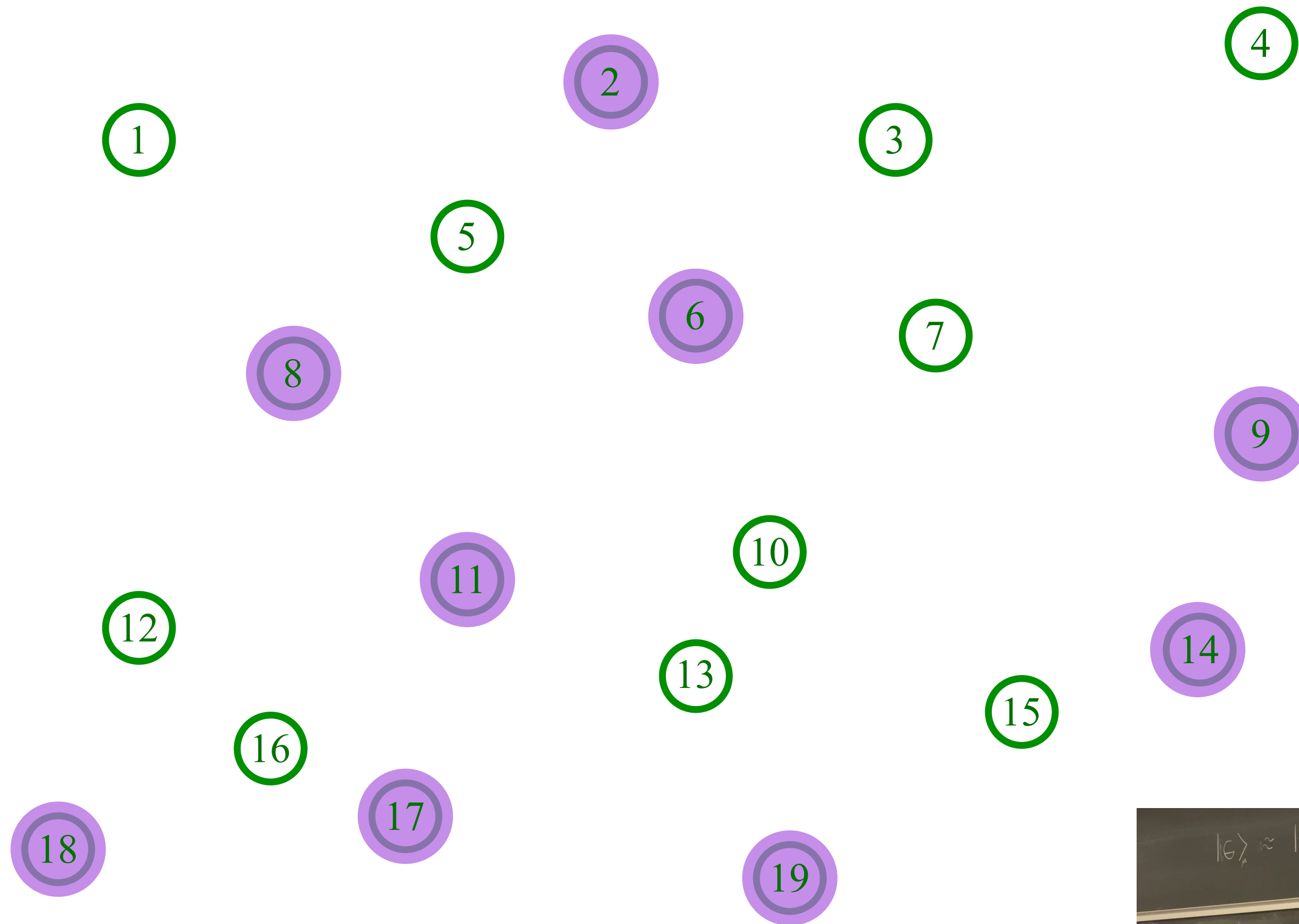
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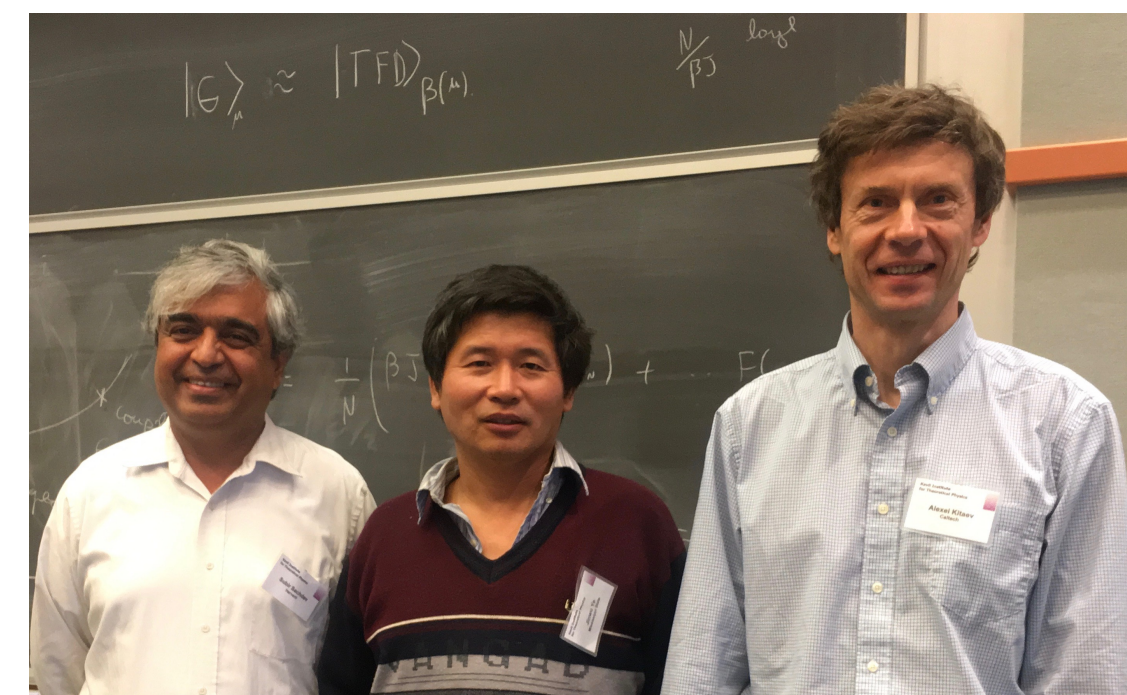
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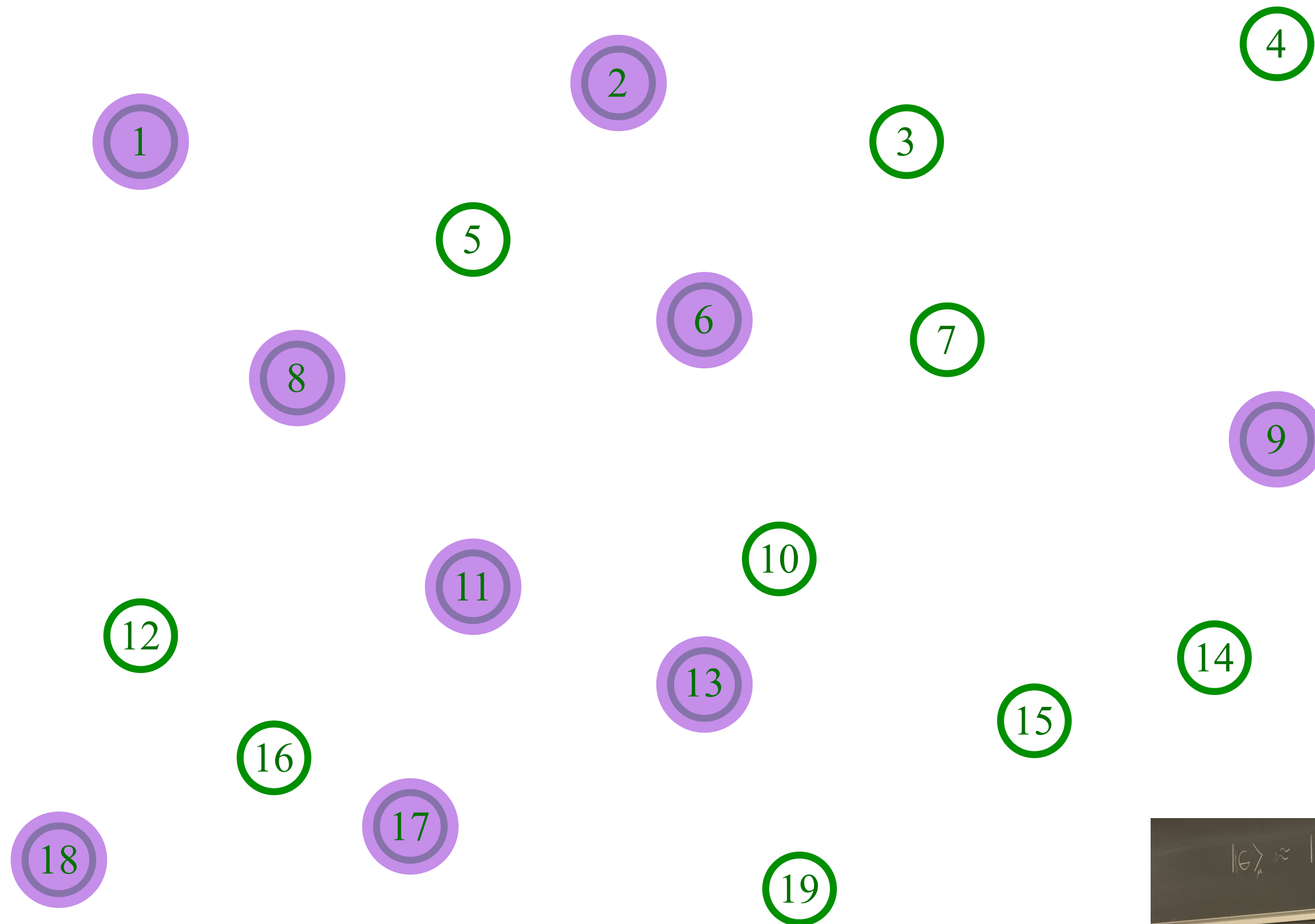
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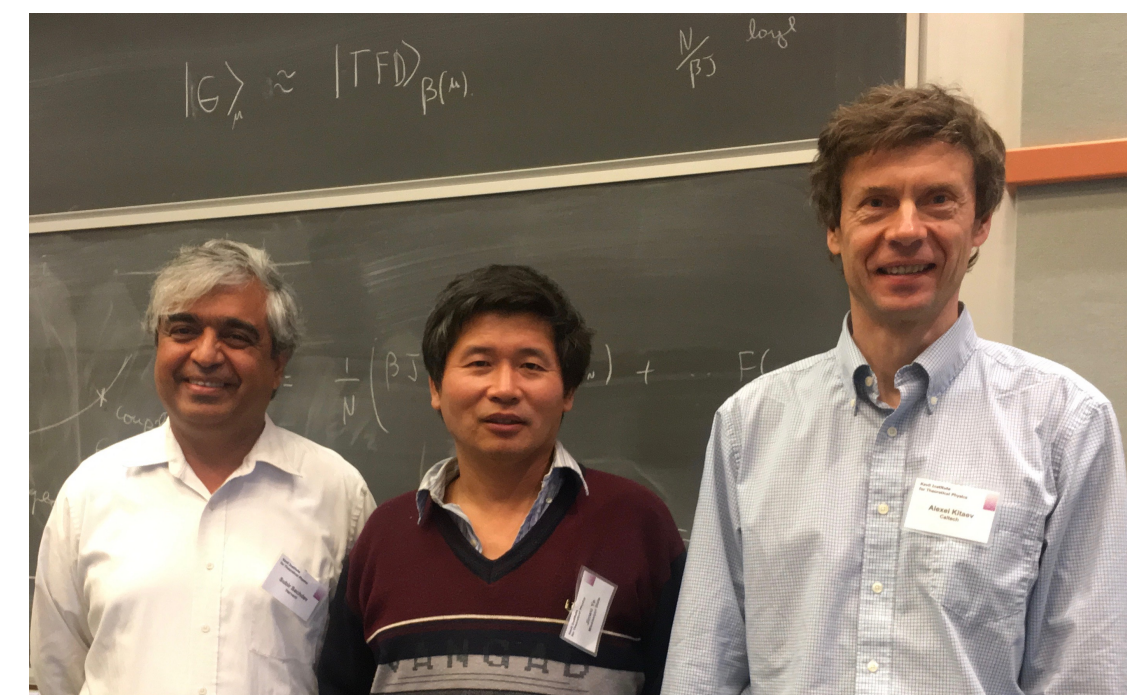
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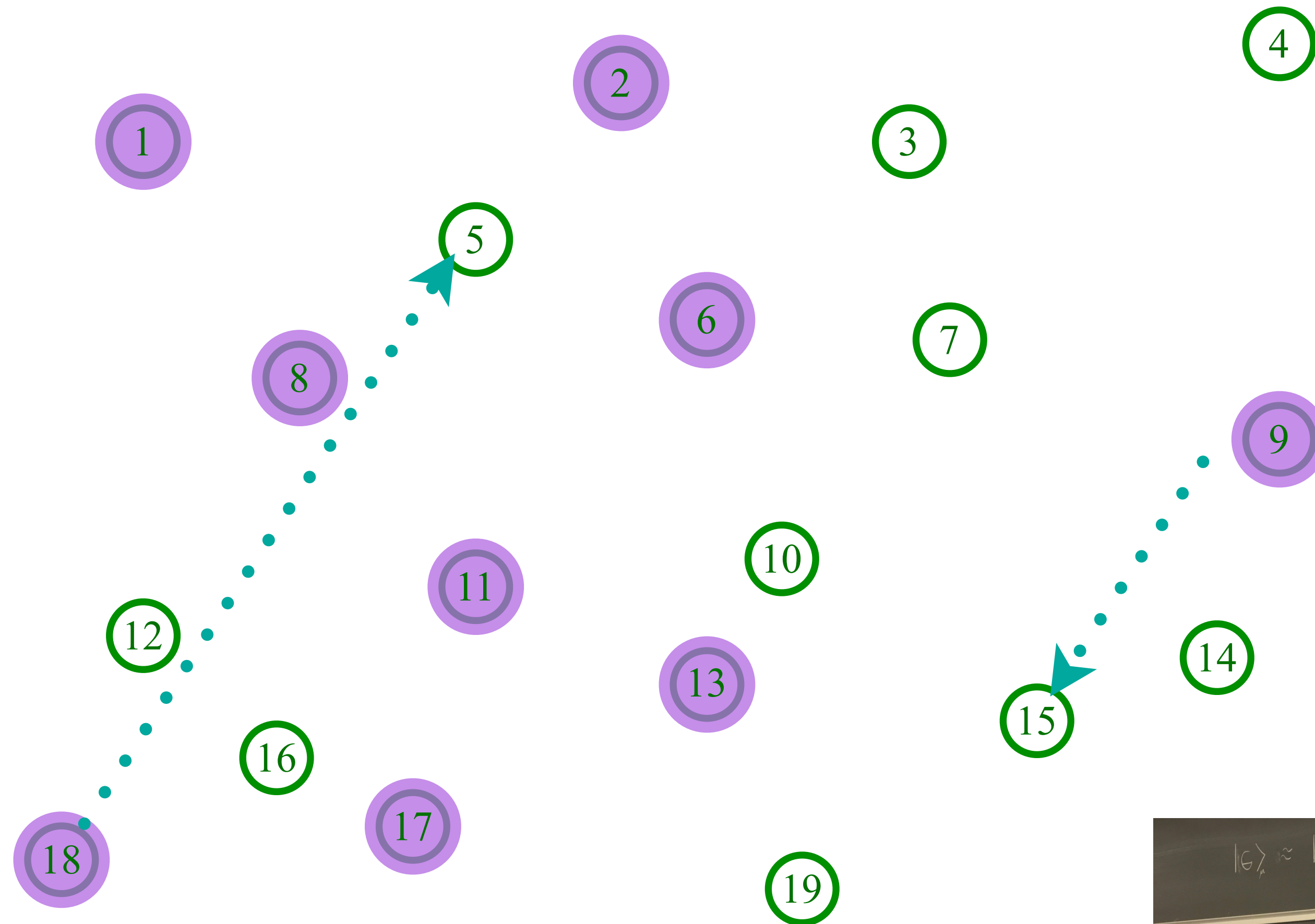
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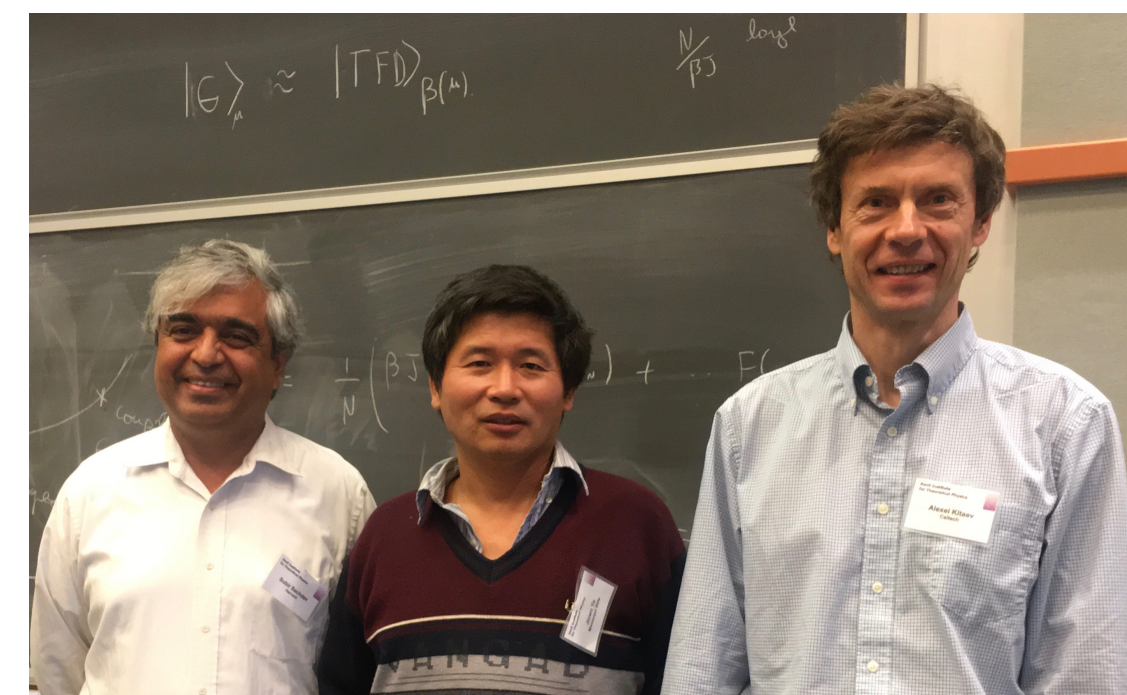
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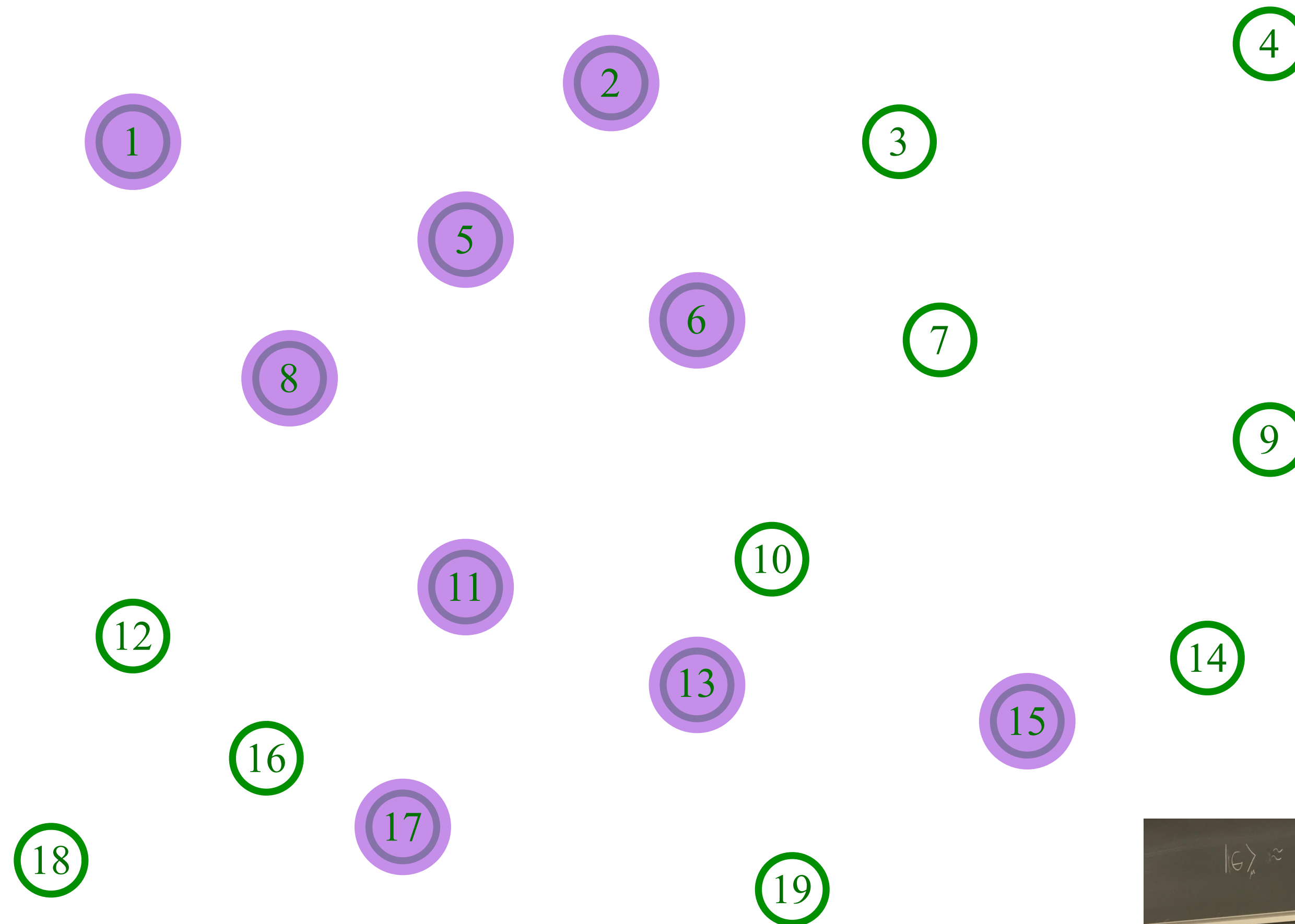
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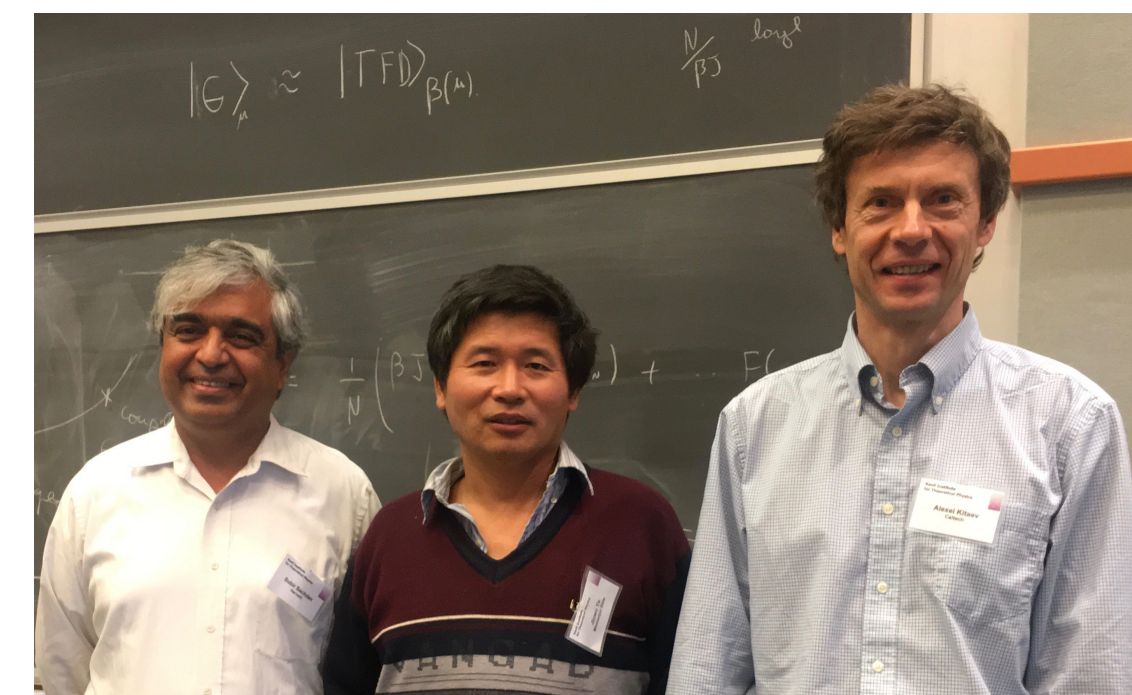
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The diagram illustrates the expansion of the ground state $|\Psi\rangle$ in the SYK model. It consists of a sum of terms, each representing a different configuration of 19 qubits (represented by numbered circles) and their interactions. The qubits are arranged in a grid-like pattern, with some qubits connected by lines. The terms are labeled C_1 through C_5 , and the expansion continues with an ellipsis (\dots).

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(See also: the “2-Body Random Ensemble” in nuclear physics; did not obtain the large N limit;
T.A. Brody, J. Flores, J.B. French, P.A. Mello, A. Pandey, and S.S.M. Wong, Rev. Mod. Phys. **53**, 385 (1981))

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{(2N)^{3/2}} \sum_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta=1}^N U_{\alpha\beta;\gamma\delta} c_{\alpha}^{\dagger} c_{\beta}^{\dagger} c_{\gamma} c_{\delta} - \mu \sum_{\alpha} c_{\alpha}^{\dagger} c_{\alpha}$$

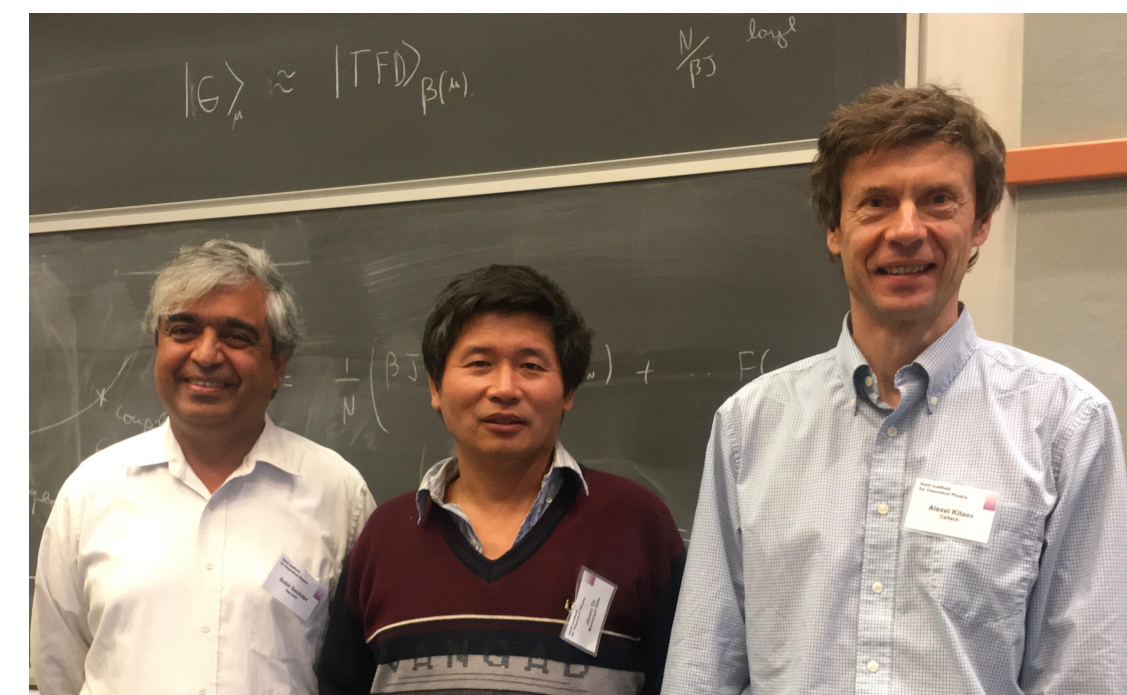
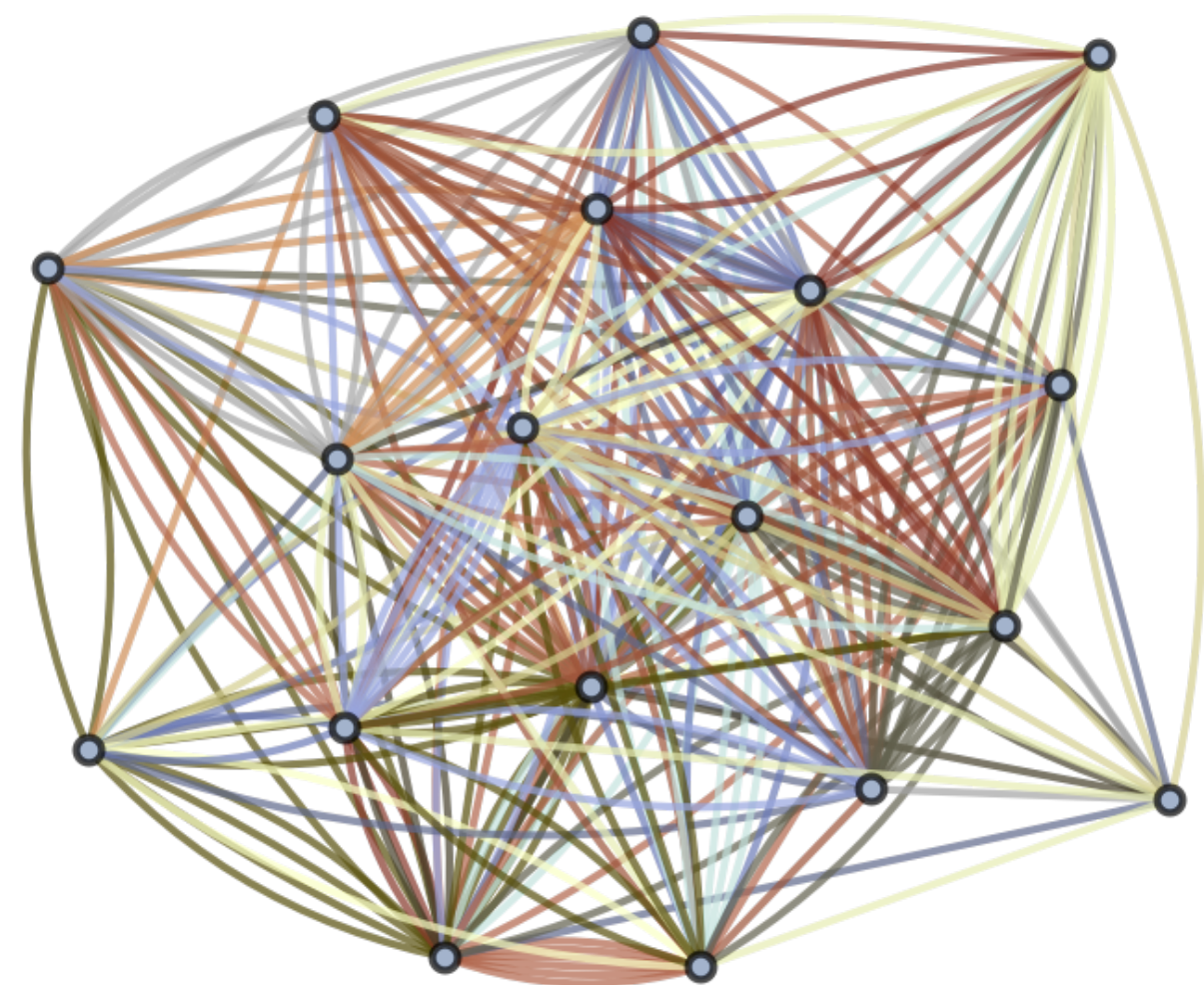
$$c_{\alpha} c_{\beta} + c_{\beta} c_{\alpha} = 0 \quad , \quad c_{\alpha} c_{\beta}^{\dagger} + c_{\beta}^{\dagger} c_{\alpha} = \delta_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\mathcal{Q} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\alpha} c_{\alpha}^{\dagger} c_{\alpha}; \quad [\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{Q}] = 0; \quad 0 \leq \mathcal{Q} \leq 1$$

$U_{\alpha\beta;\gamma\delta}$ are independent random variables with $\overline{U_{\alpha\beta;\gamma\delta}} = 0$ and $\overline{|U_{\alpha\beta;\gamma\delta}|^2} = U^2$
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S. Sachdev and J. Ye, PRL **70**, 3339 (1993)

A. Kitaev, unpublished; S. Sachdev, PRX **5**, 041025 (2015)



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A solvable model of multi-particle
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No quasiparticles: yields a metal in which
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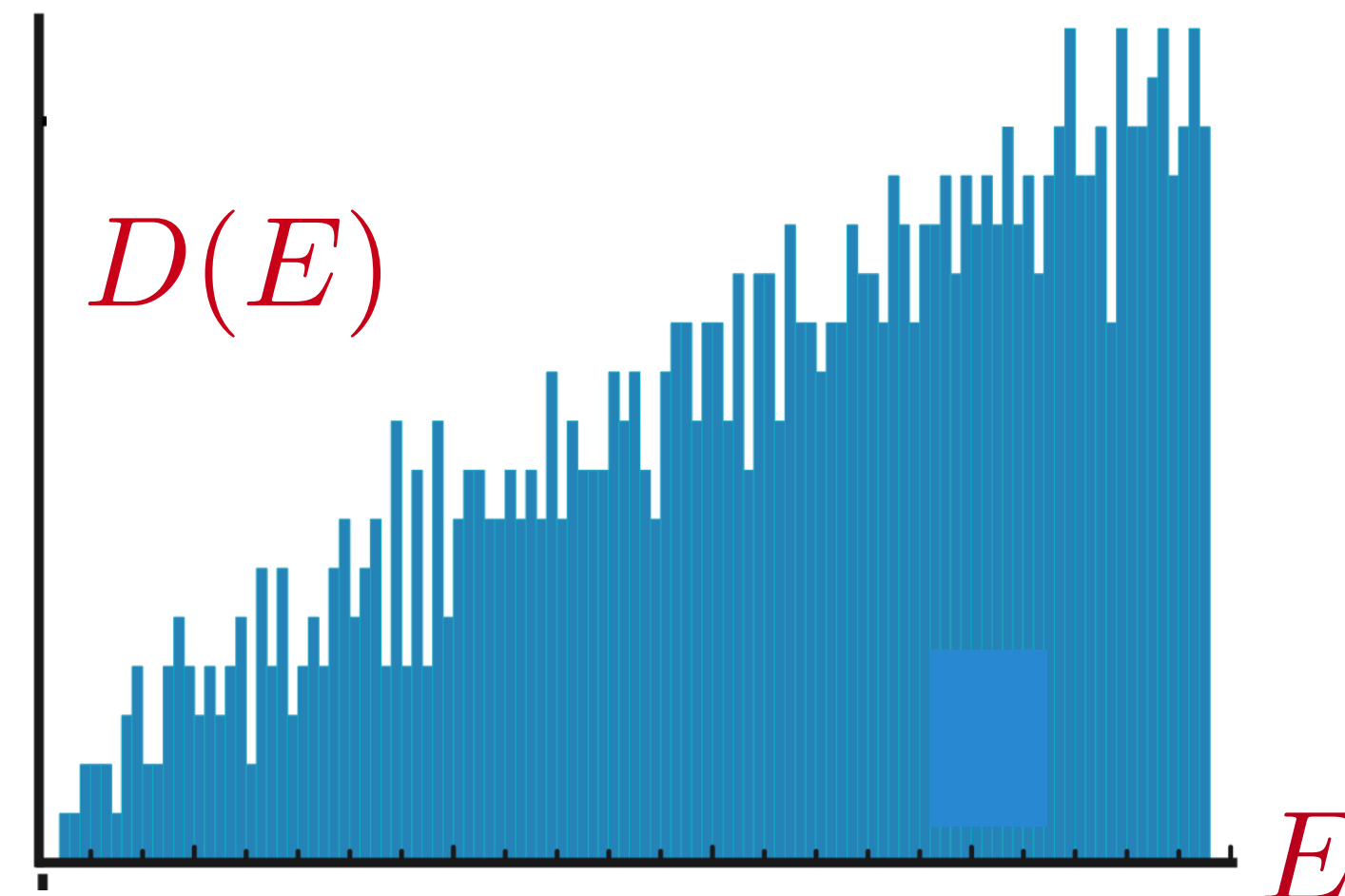
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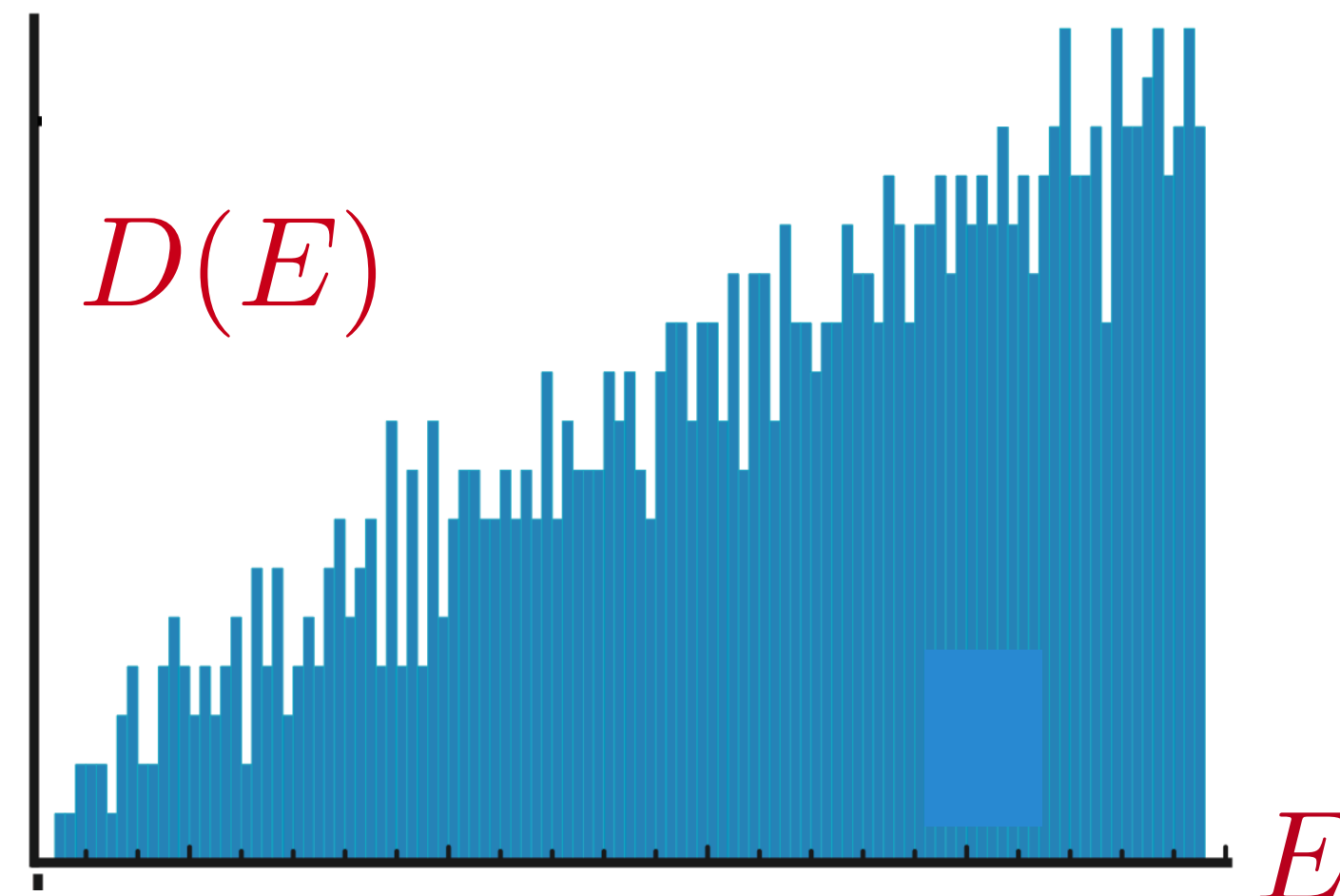
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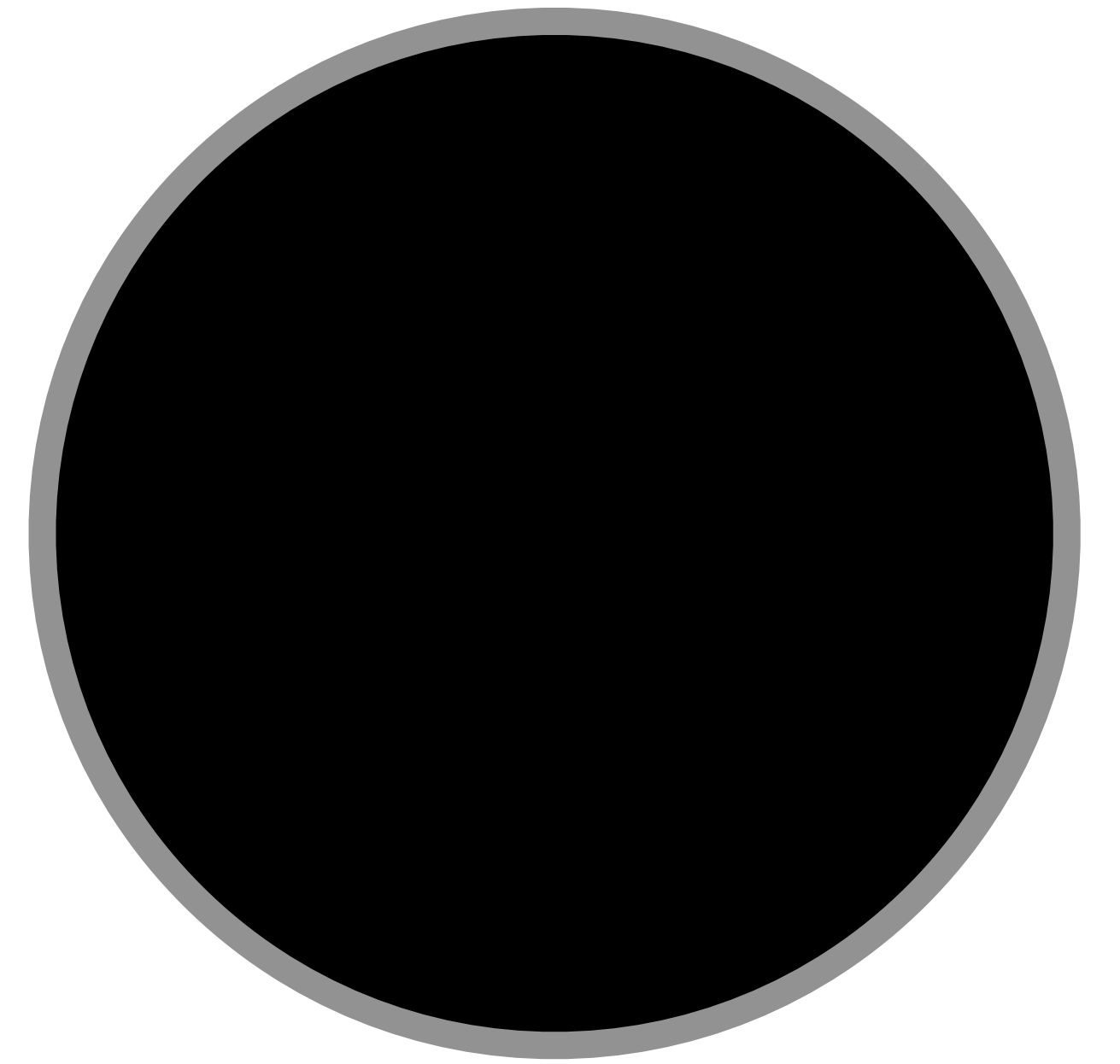
From
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to
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Black Holes

Objects so dense that light is gravitationally bound to them.



Horizon radius $R = \frac{2GM}{c^2}$



Karl Schwarzschild (1916)

G Newton's constant, c velocity of light, M mass of black hole
For $M = \text{earth's mass}$, $R \approx 9 \text{ mm!}$



Event Horizon Telescope

The supermassive black hole at the center of the M87 galaxy contains about 6.5 billion solar masses.

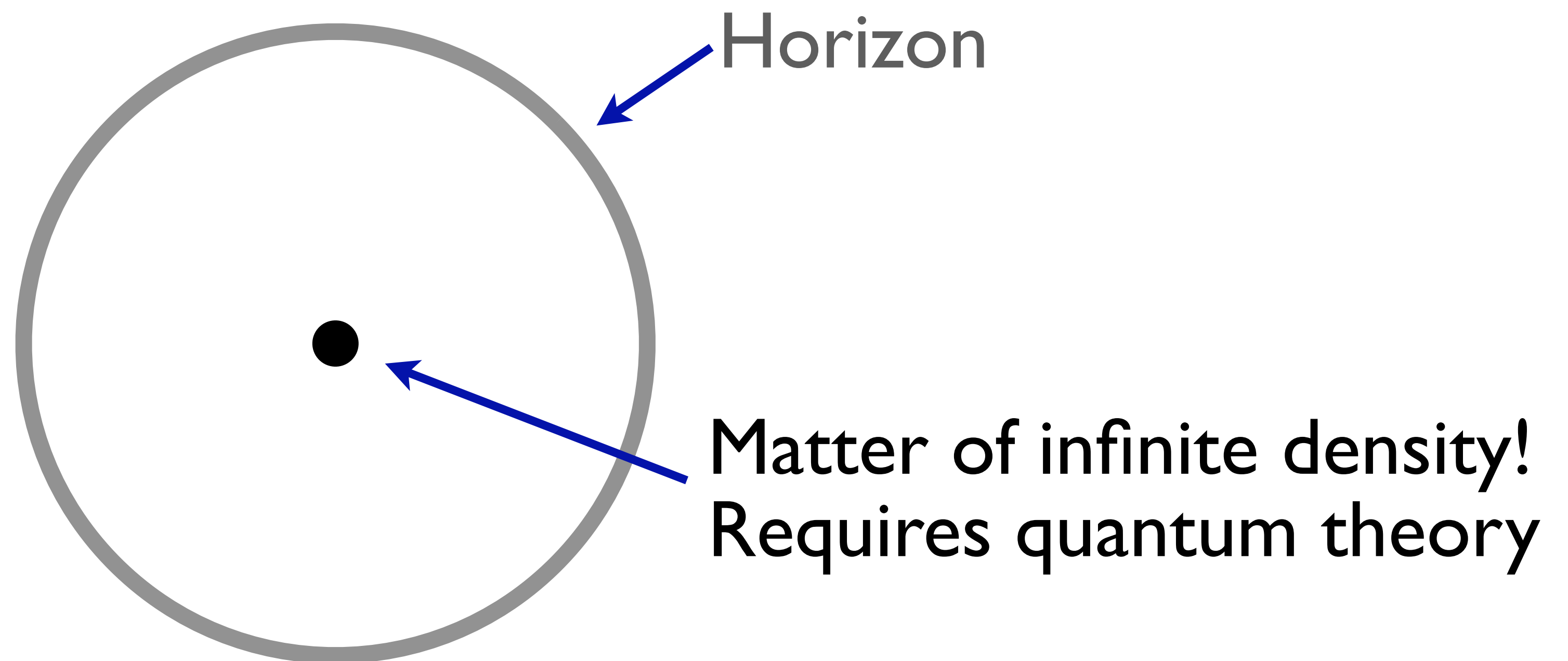
It is rotating at about 90% of the maximal spin

$$R = 1.8 \times 10^{13} \text{ m}$$

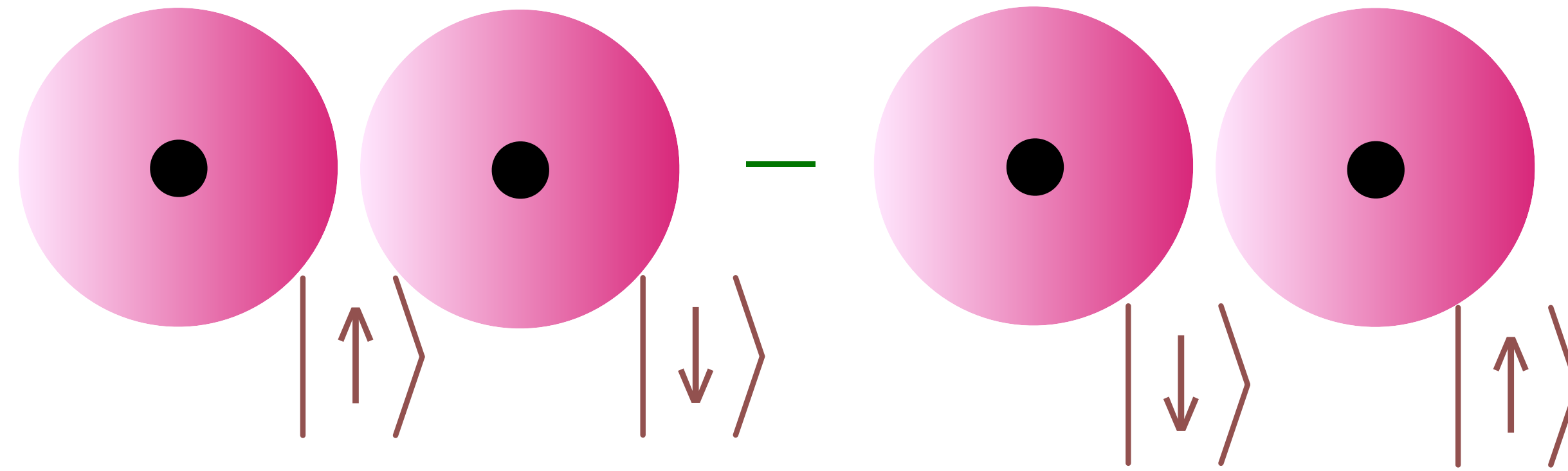
\approx solar system size

What is inside a black hole ???

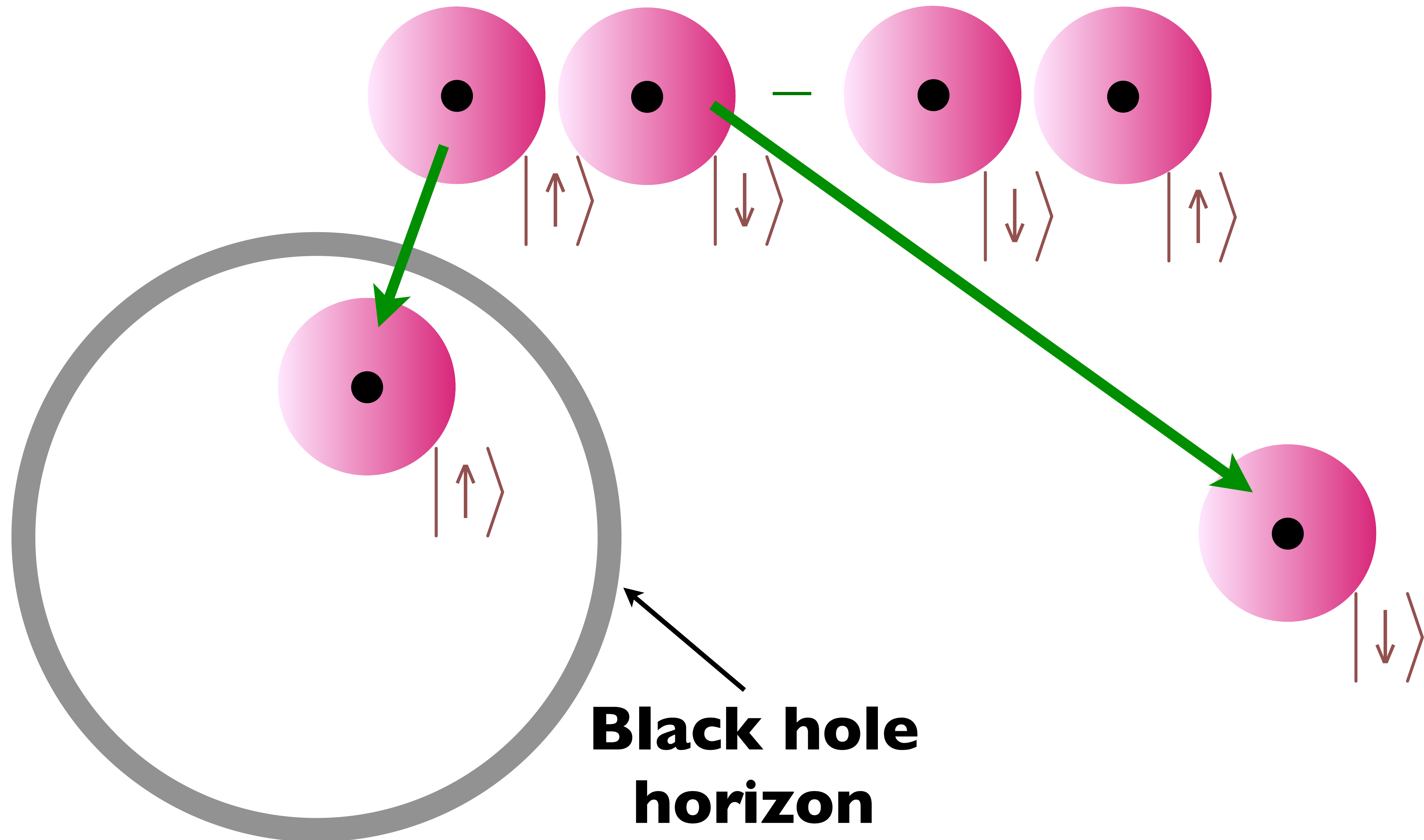
In Einstein's theory, all the matter in a black hole collapses to a singularity at the center of the black hole.



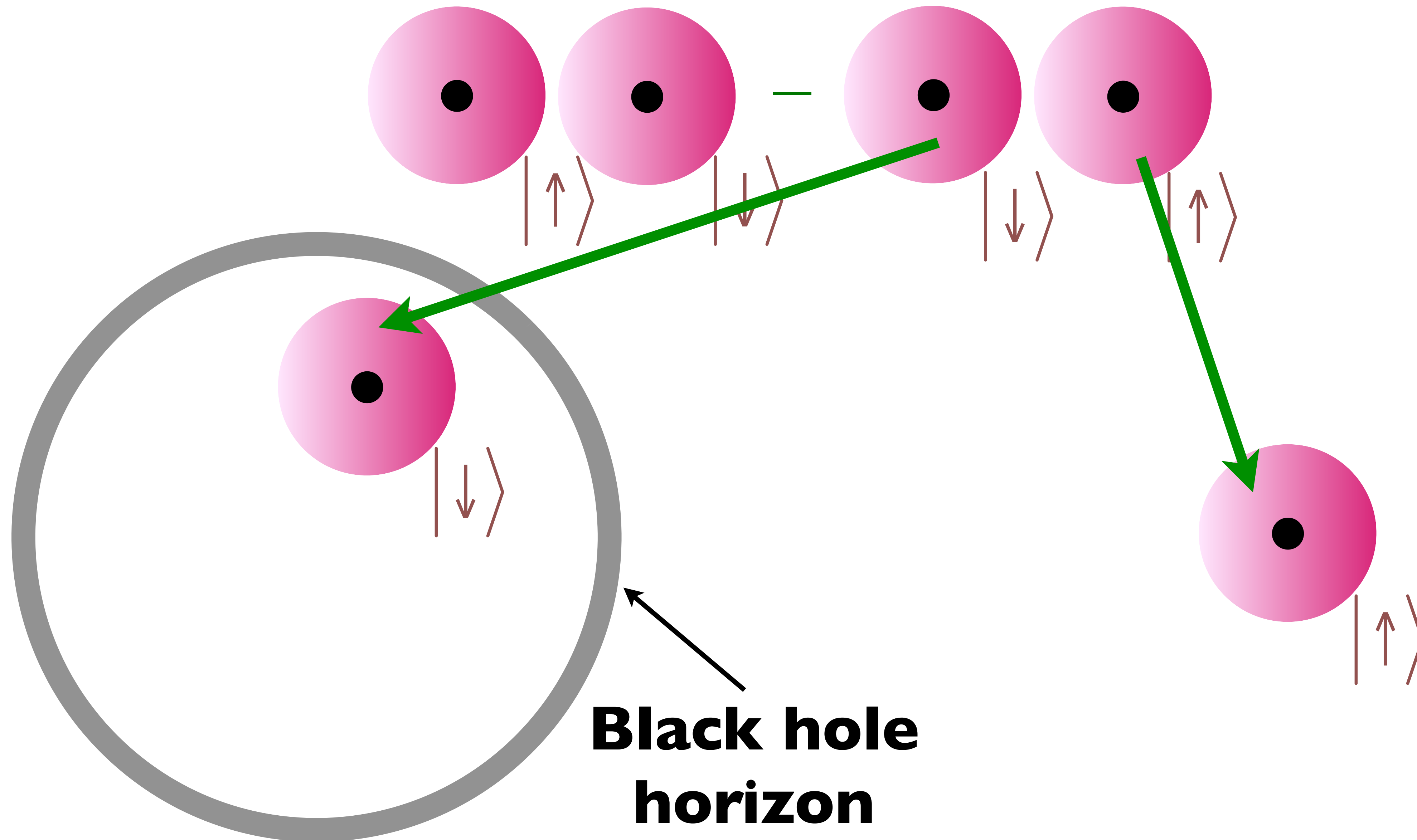
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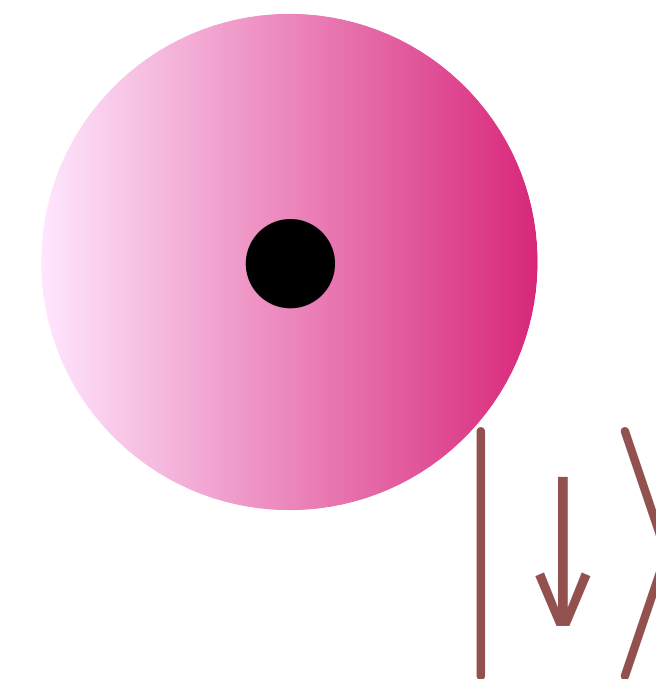
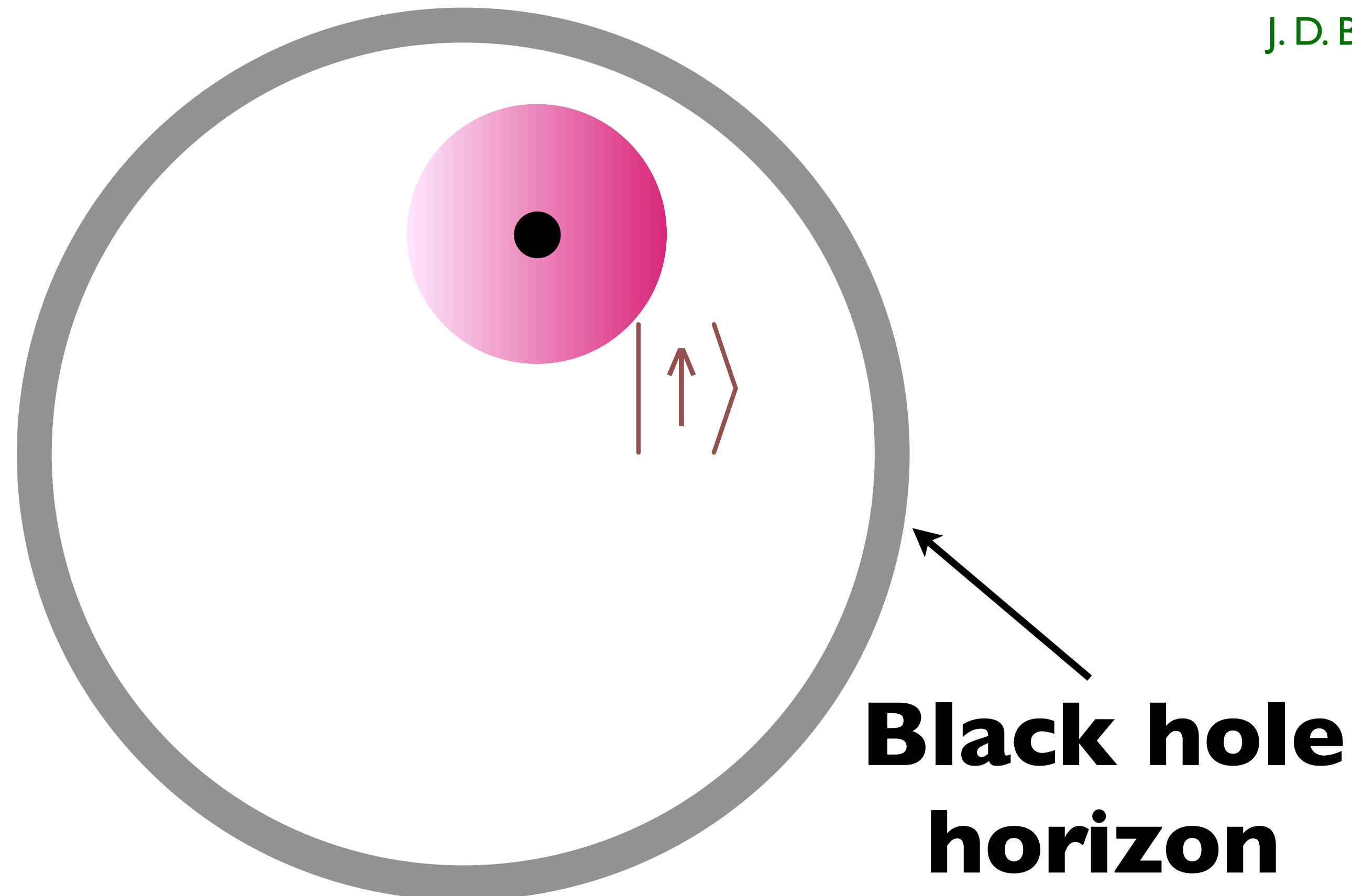


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Bekenstein, Hawking: Black holes have a temperature and an entropy!

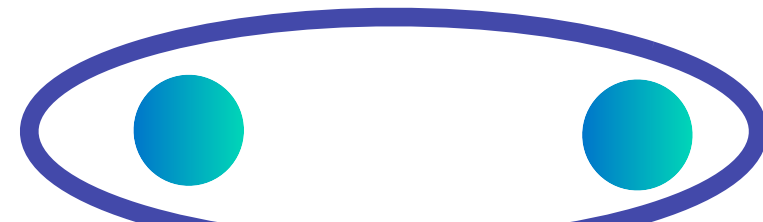
To an outside observer, the state of the electron inside the black hole cannot be known, and so the outside electron is in a random state.

J. D. Bekenstein, PRD **7**, 2333 (1973); S.W. Hawking, Nature **248**, 30 (1974)



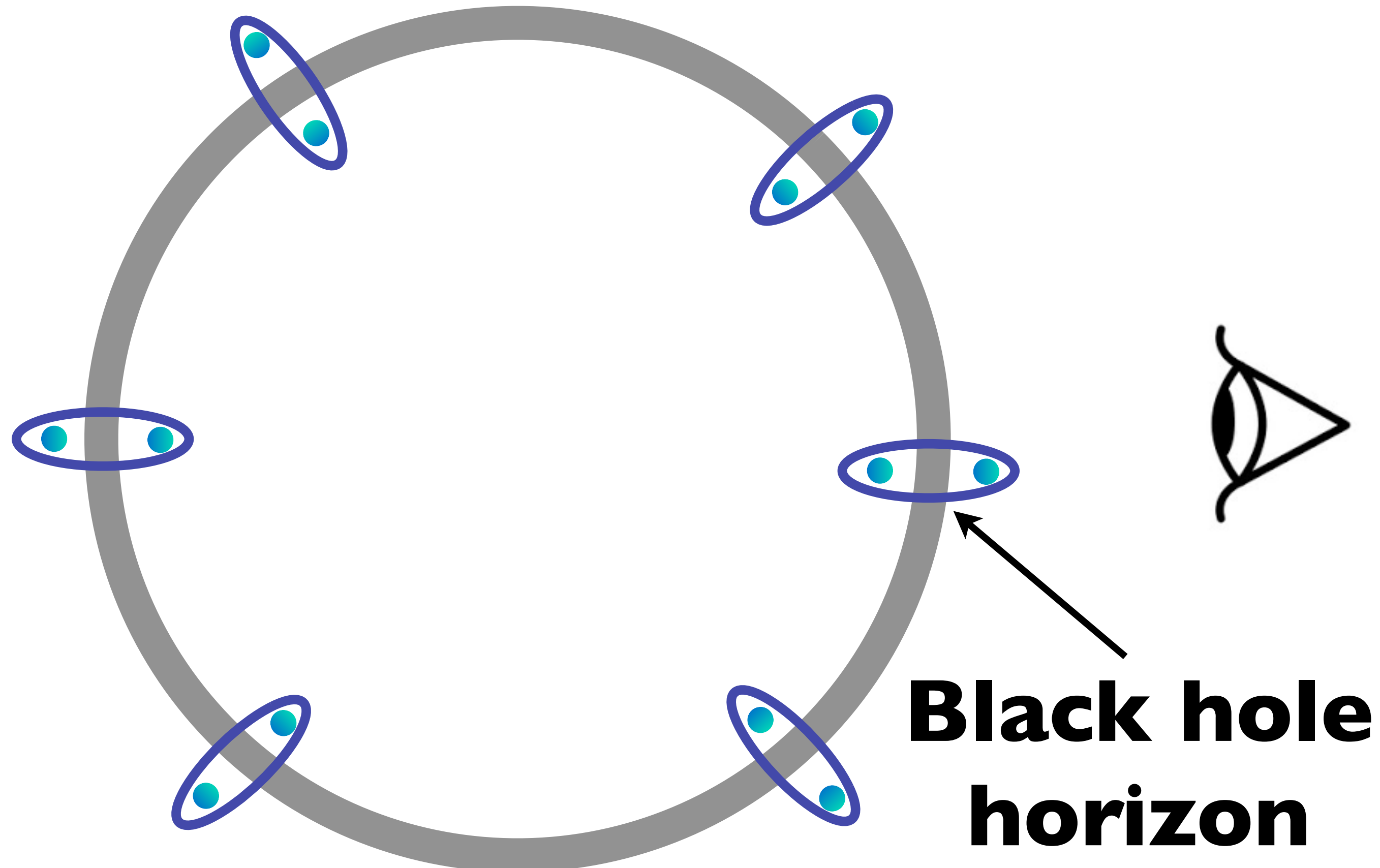
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Quantum entanglement
on the surface



A diagram showing two blue dots representing particles inside a blue oval, which is itself inside a larger blue oval. This represents an entangled pair of particles.

$$= |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$$



By computations *outside*
the black hole,
Bekenstein-Hawking obtained

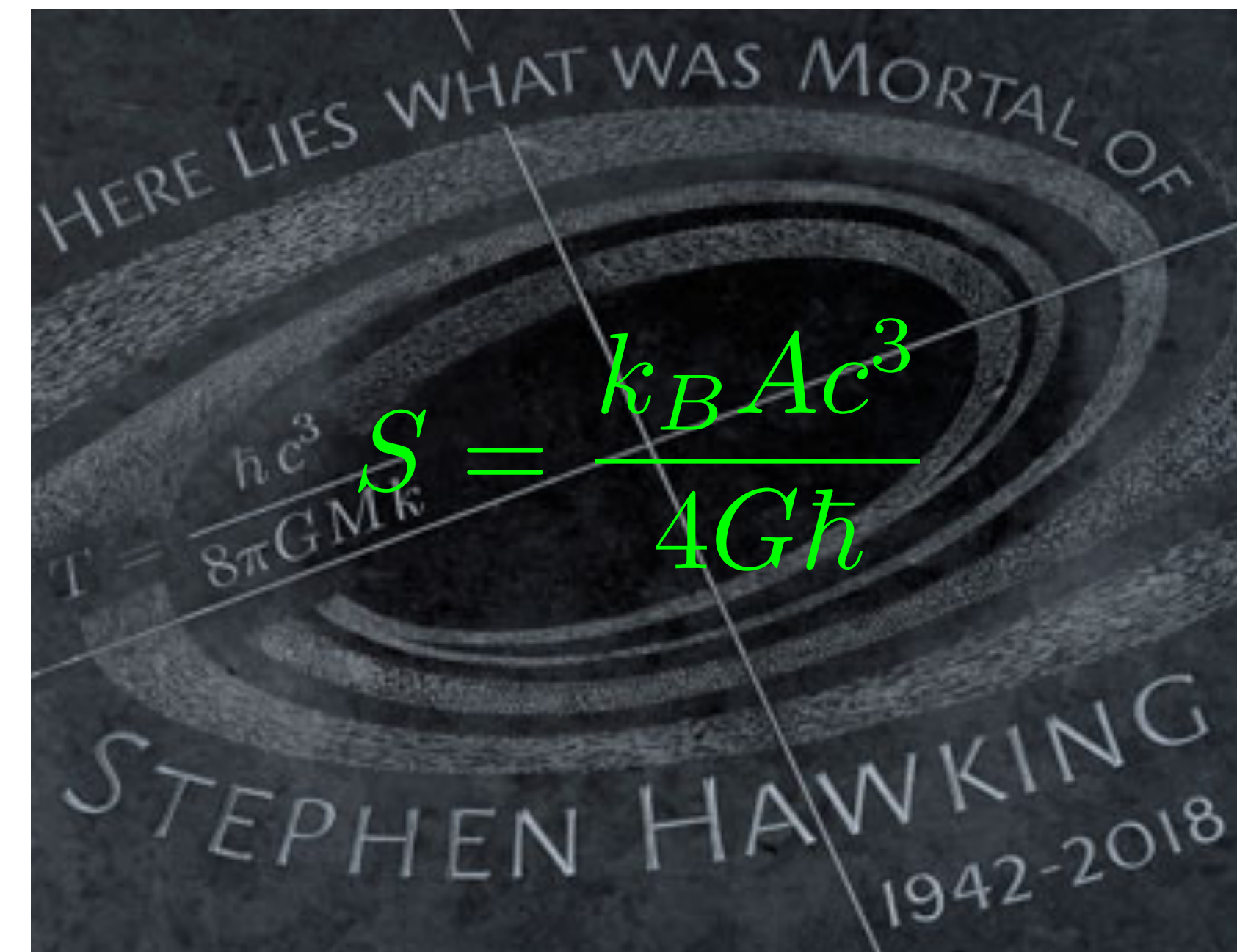
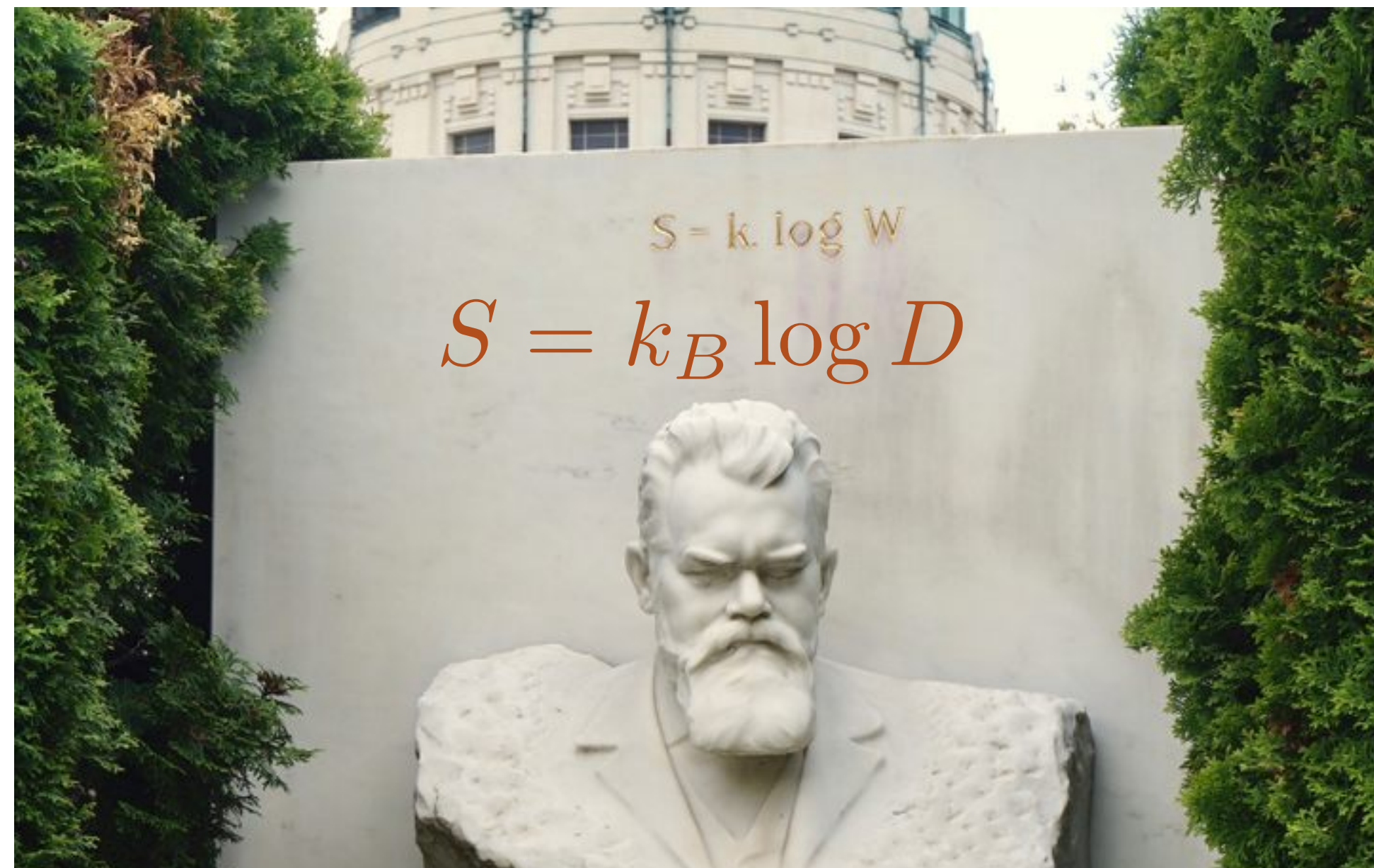
$$S = \frac{k_B A c^3}{4G\hbar}$$

where A is area of the black
hole horizon.

All other systems have en-
tropy proportional to their
volume.

Quantum Black Holes

- Can we find a quantum theory for the collapsed matter at the center of the black hole, whose *density of quantum states* $D(E)$ [the quantum analog of Boltzmann's W] matches Bekenstein-Hawking entropy, in accordance with Boltzmann's principles of statistical mechanics, $S(E) = k_B \log D(E)$?



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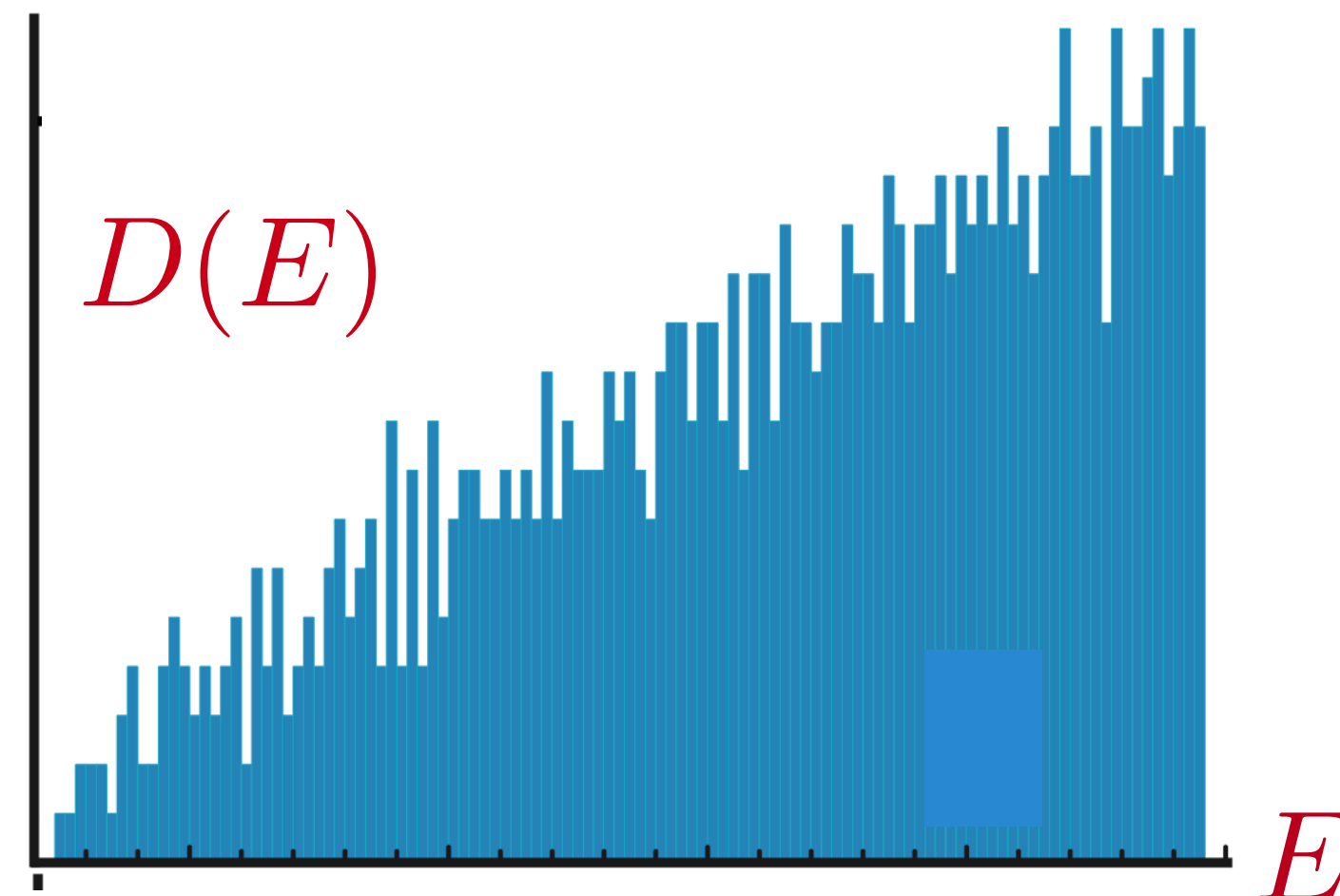
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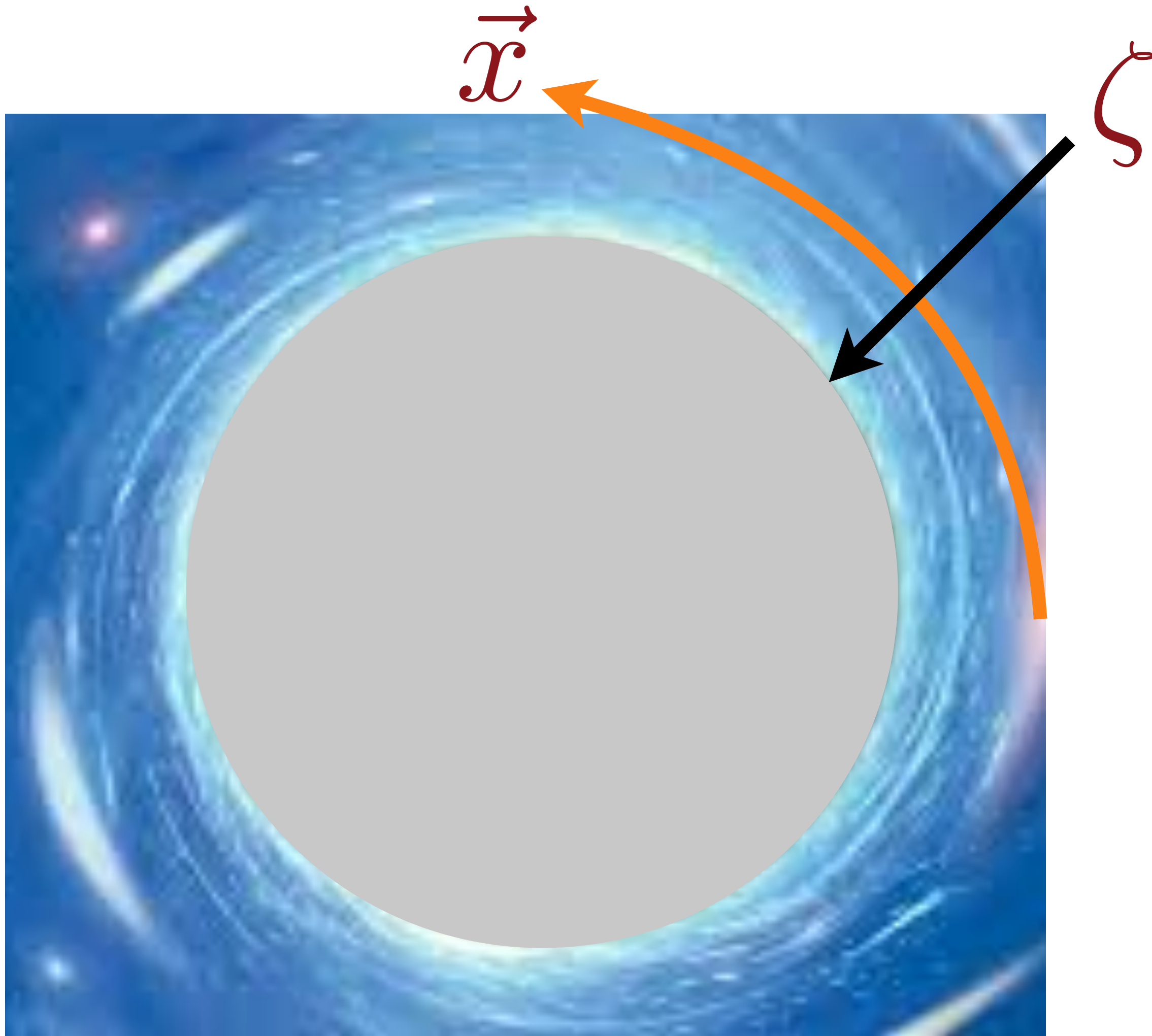
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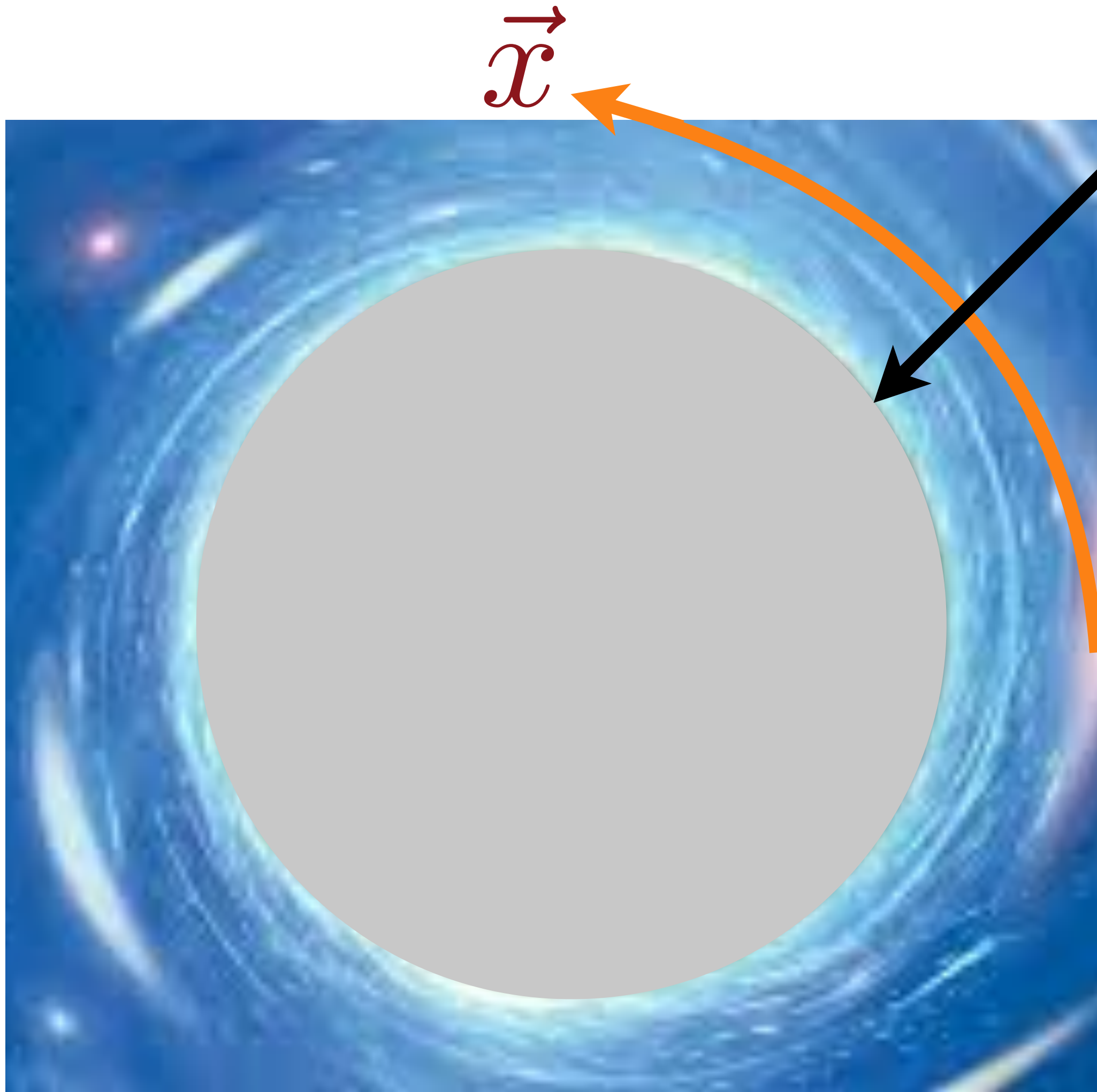


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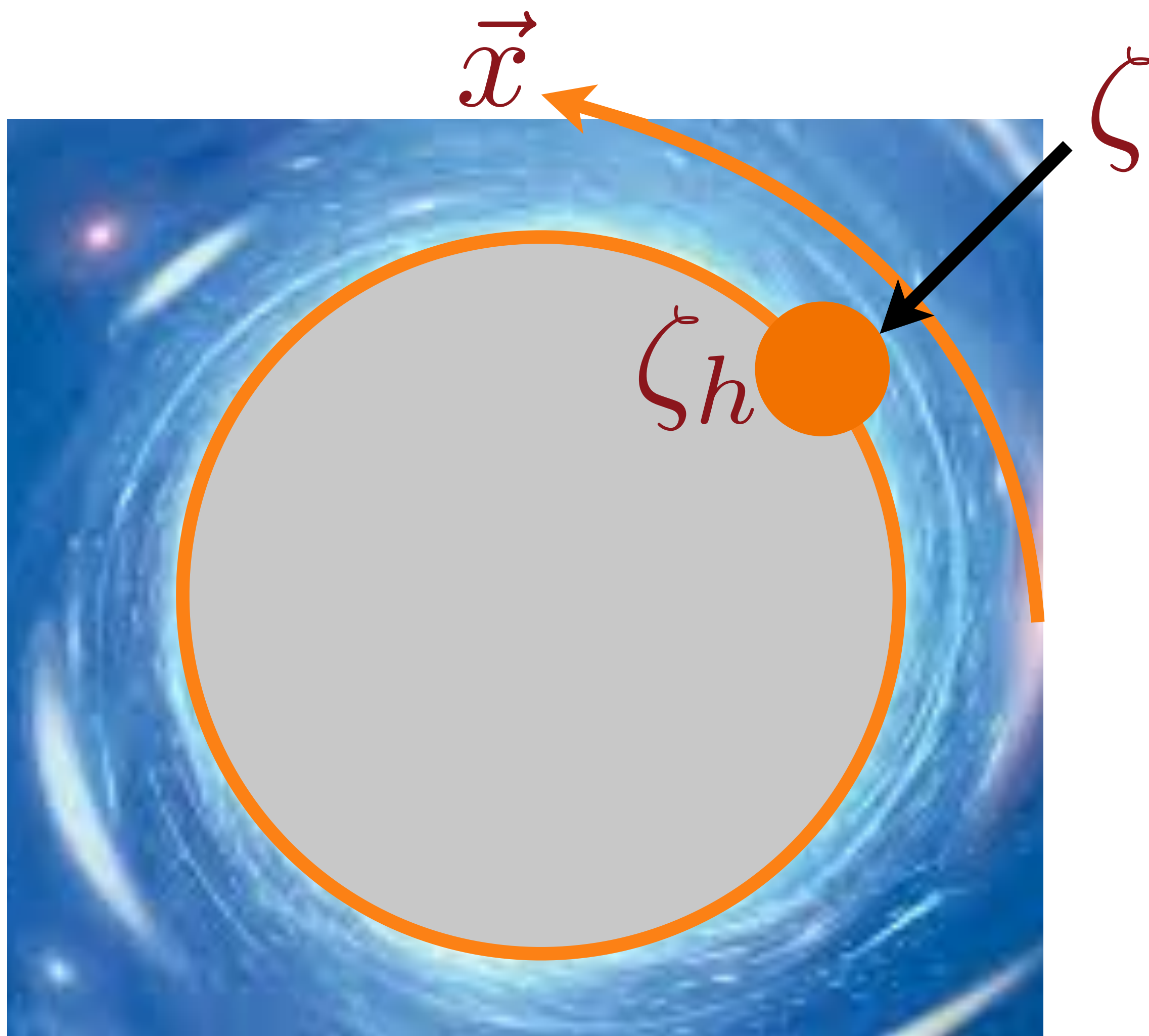
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Zooming into the
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of a charged black hole
at low temperature,
yields a theory
in one space (ζ) and
one time dimension



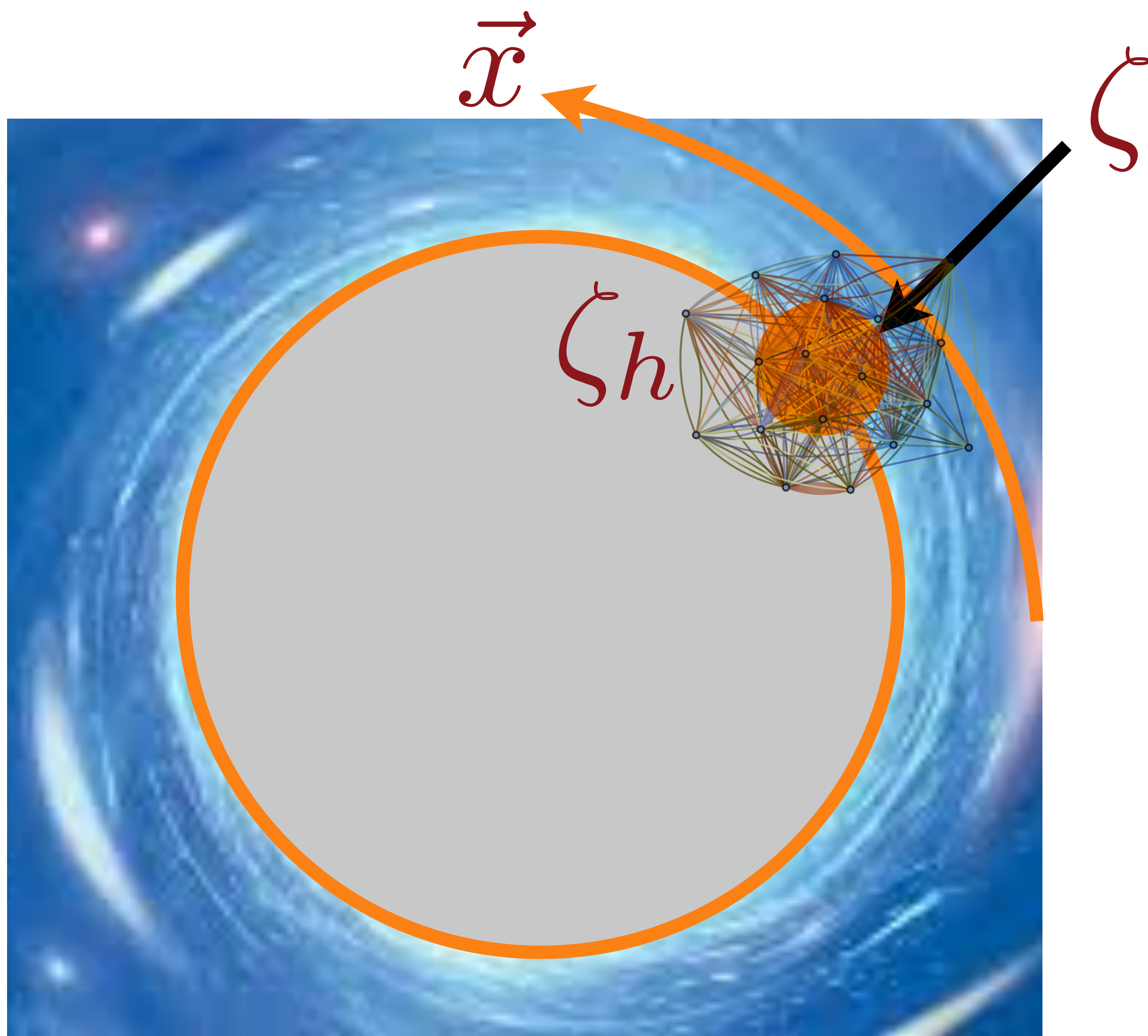
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So we need only consider
complex entanglement at
one spatial "point"
on the horizon ($\zeta = \zeta_h$),
just as is described
by the SYK model

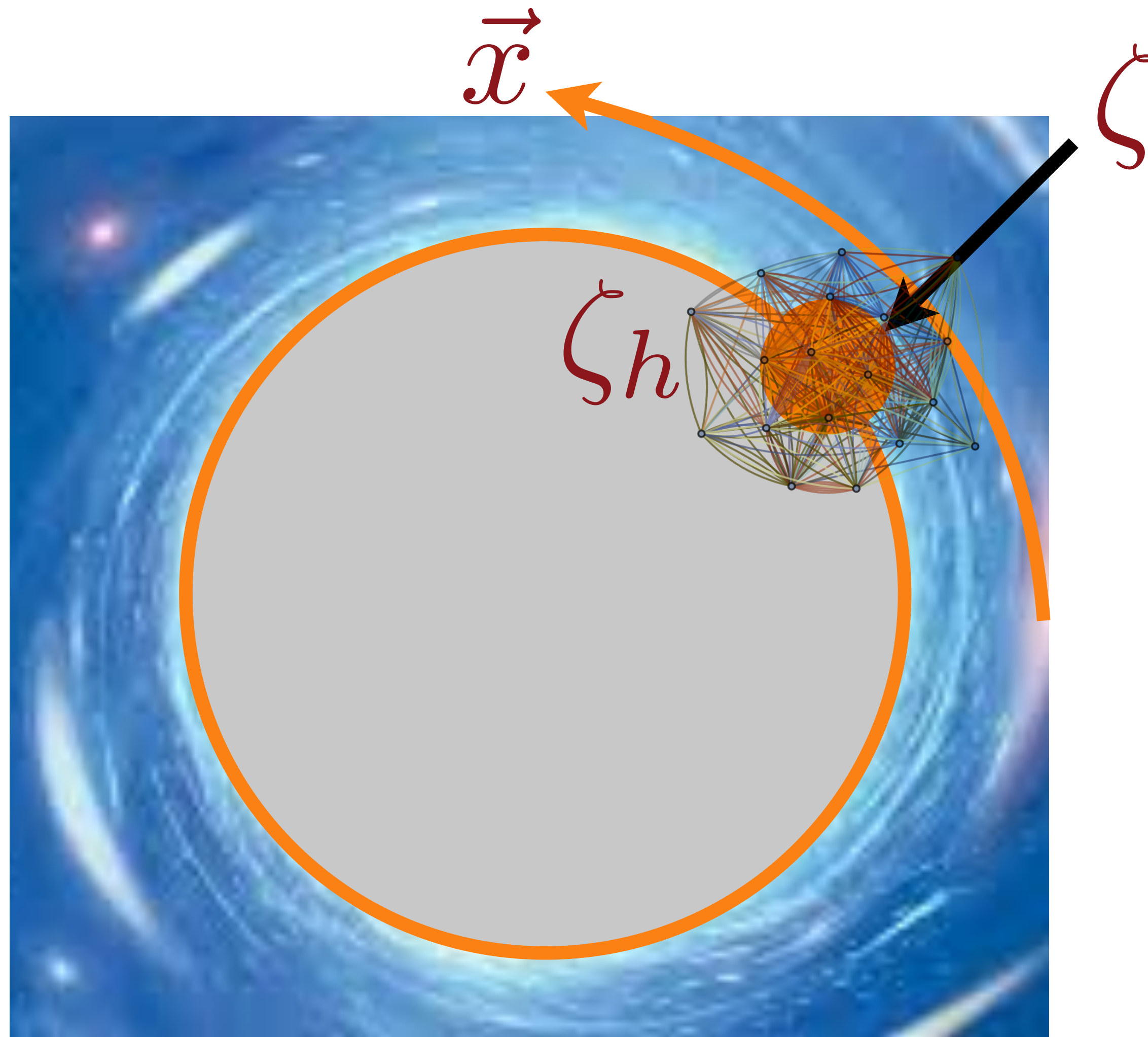


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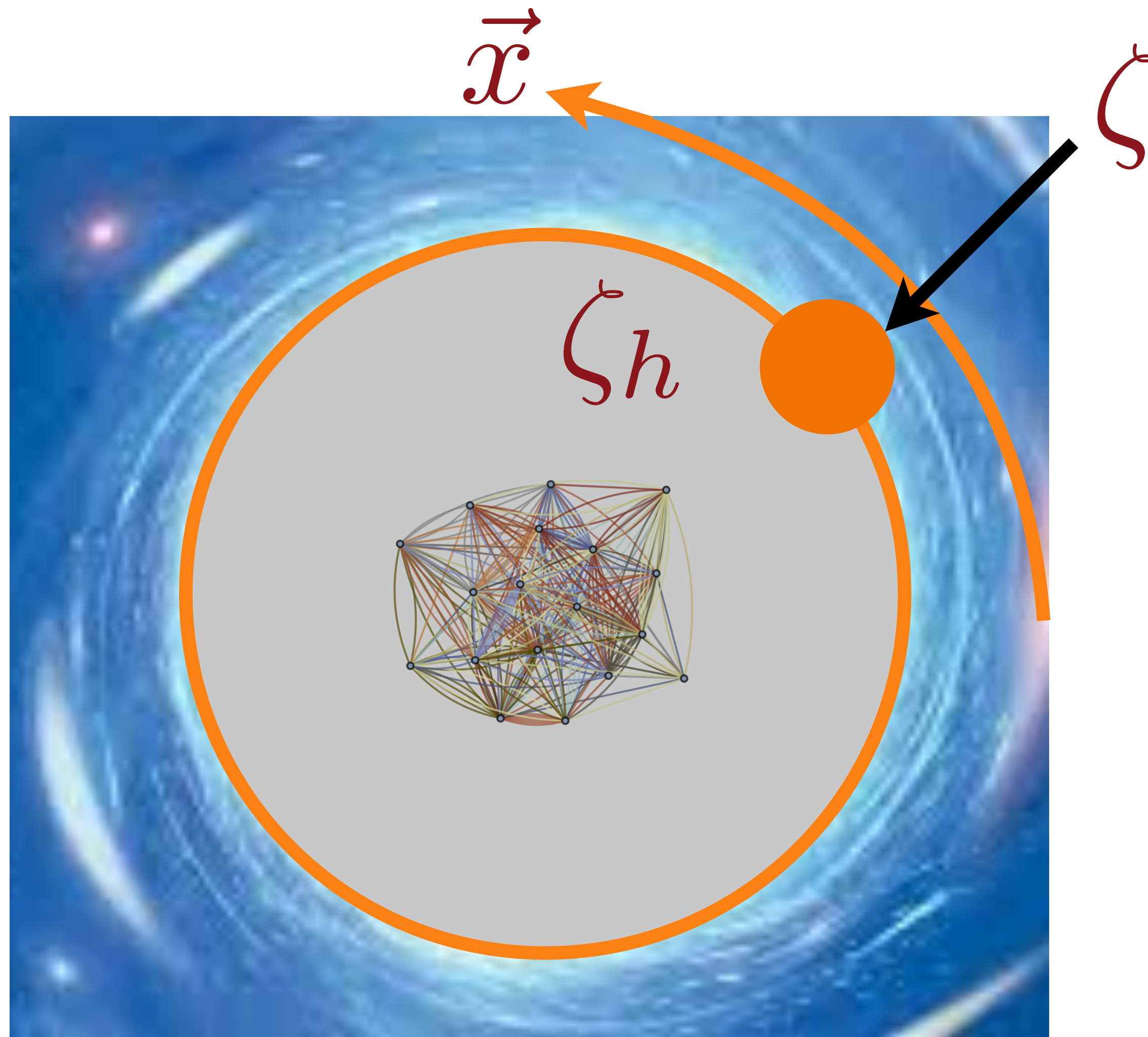
The quantum versions of
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equations in this
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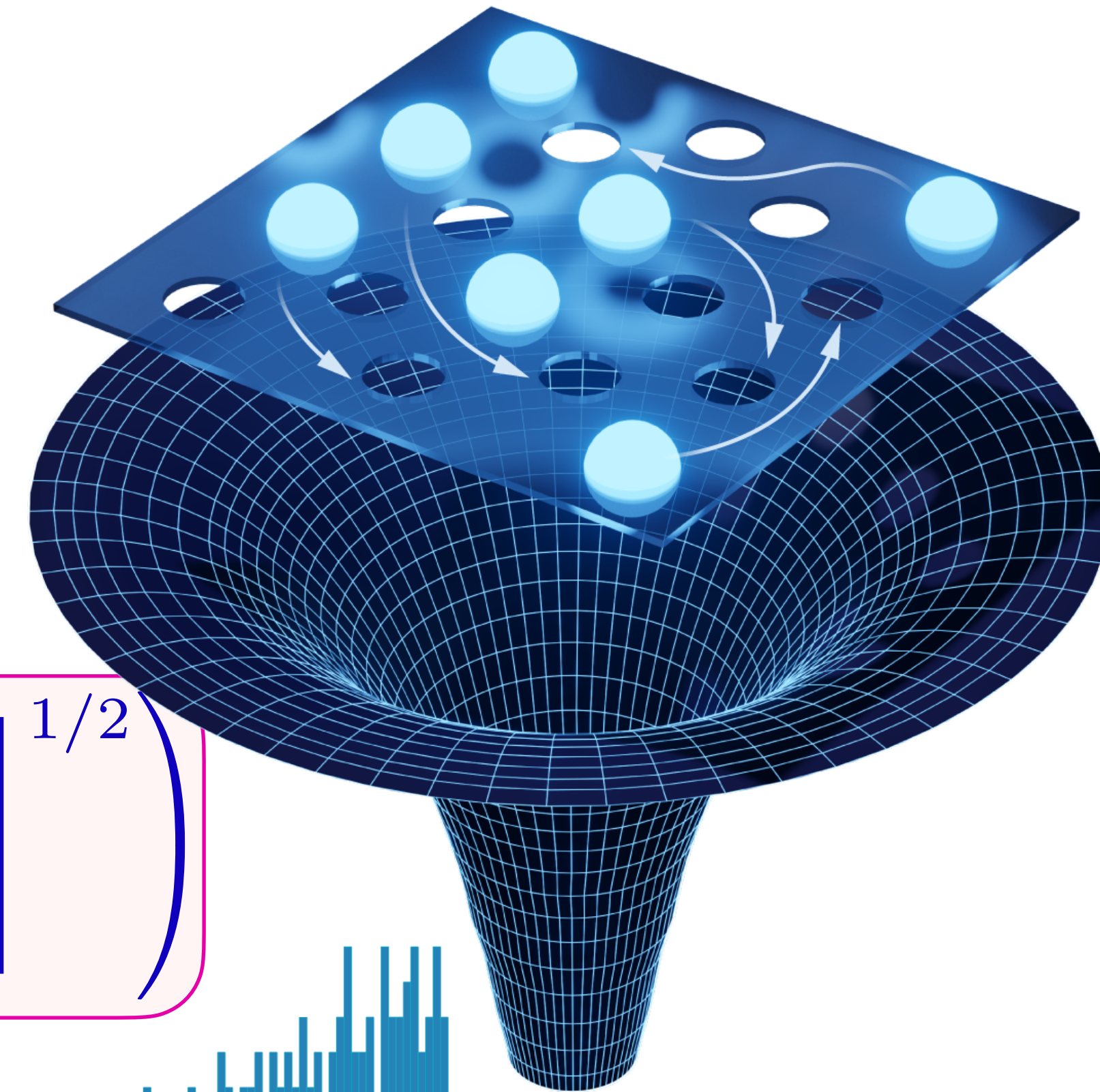


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D(E) of charged black holes from the SYK model

- For generic charged black holes in 3+1 dimensions with horizon area A_0 at $T = 0$ and fixed charge Q ($A_0 = 2GQ^2/c^4$), the density of quantum states at small energy E is

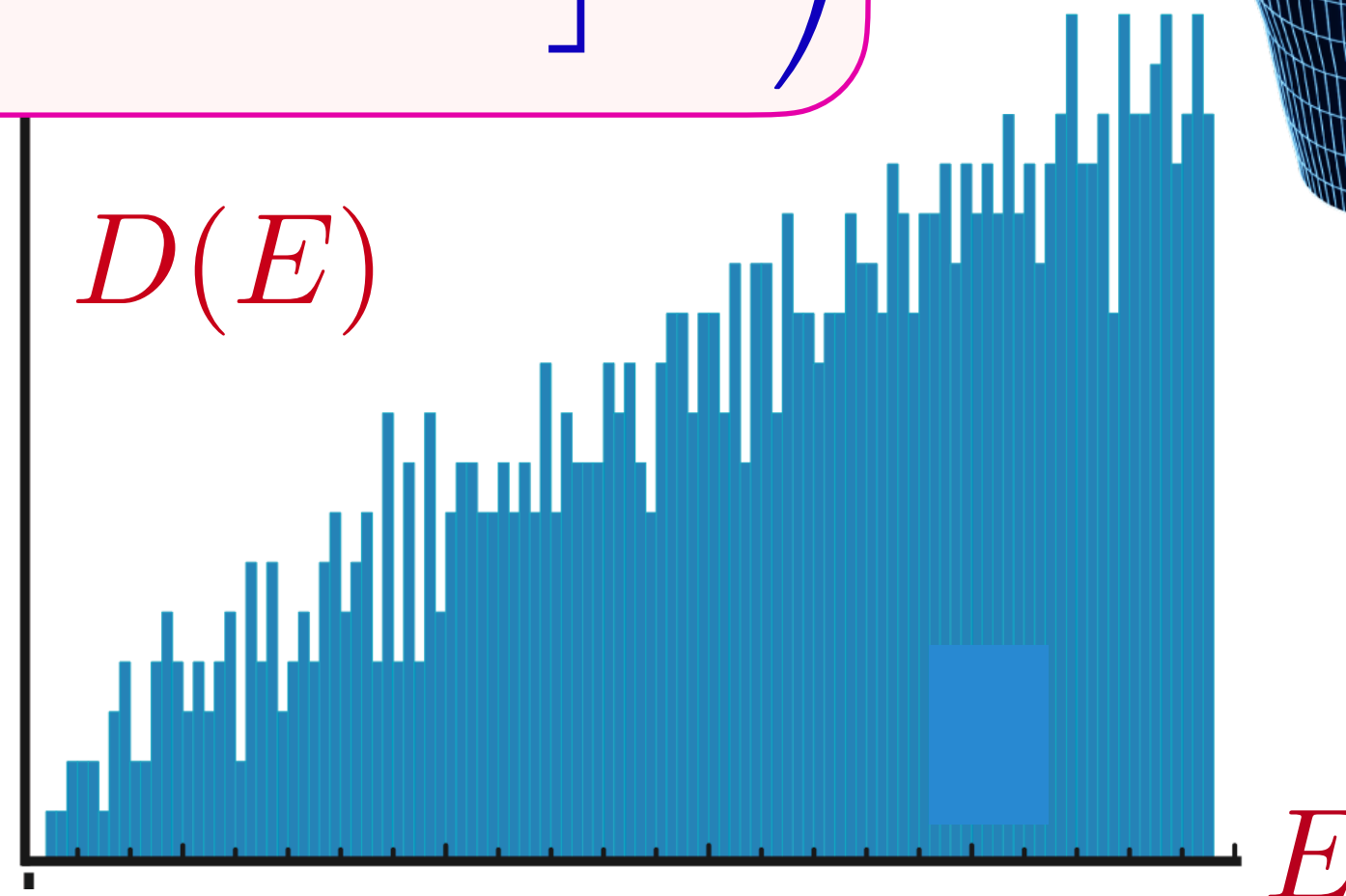
$$D(E) \sim \left(\frac{A_0 c^3}{\hbar G} \right)^{-347/90} \exp \left(\frac{A_0 c^3}{4\hbar G} \right) \sinh \left(\left[\frac{\sqrt{\pi} A_0^{3/2} c^2}{\hbar^2 G} E \right]^{1/2} \right)$$



Bekenstein-Hawking

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Developments from the SYK model

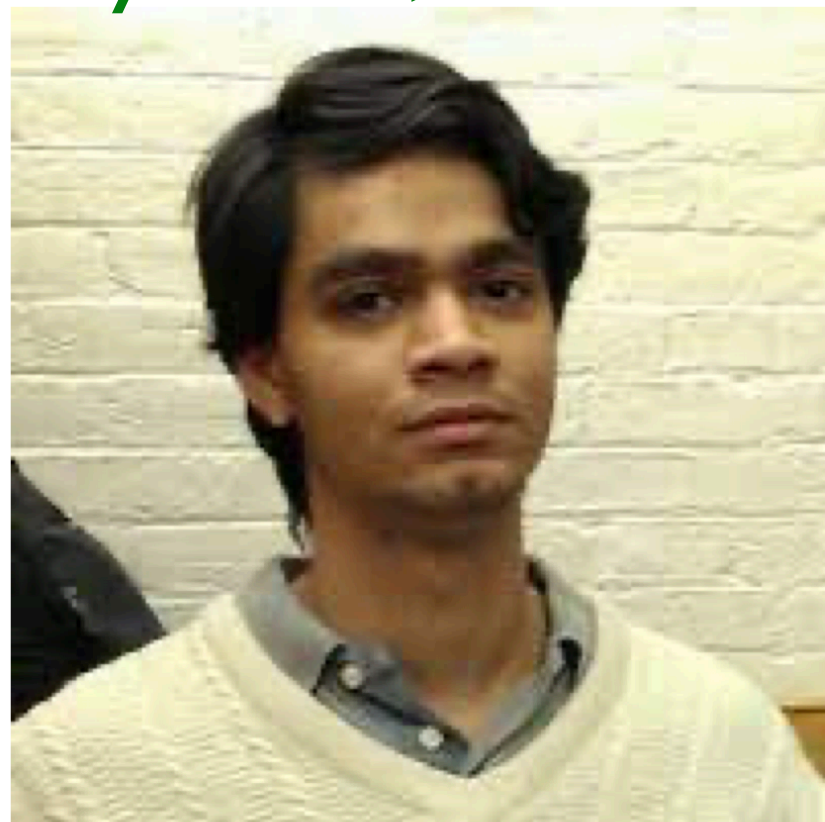


Similar remarks apply to rotating neutral black holes.

From the SYK model to the universal 2d-YSYK theory of strange metals

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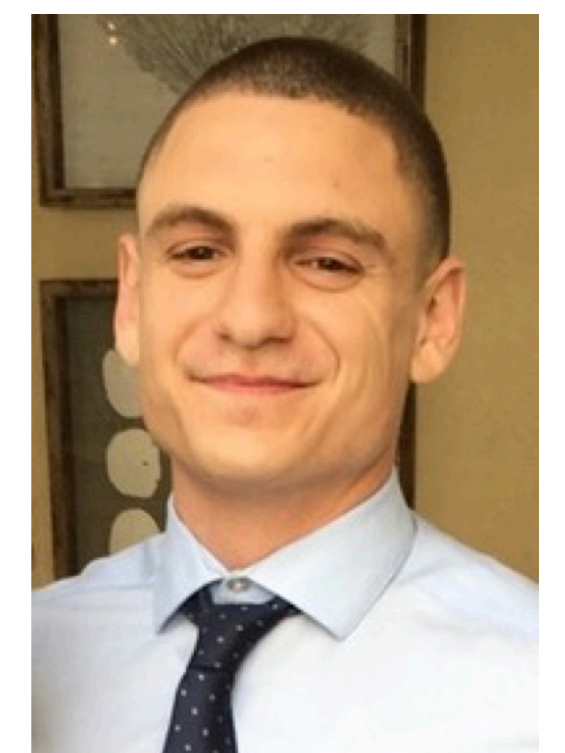
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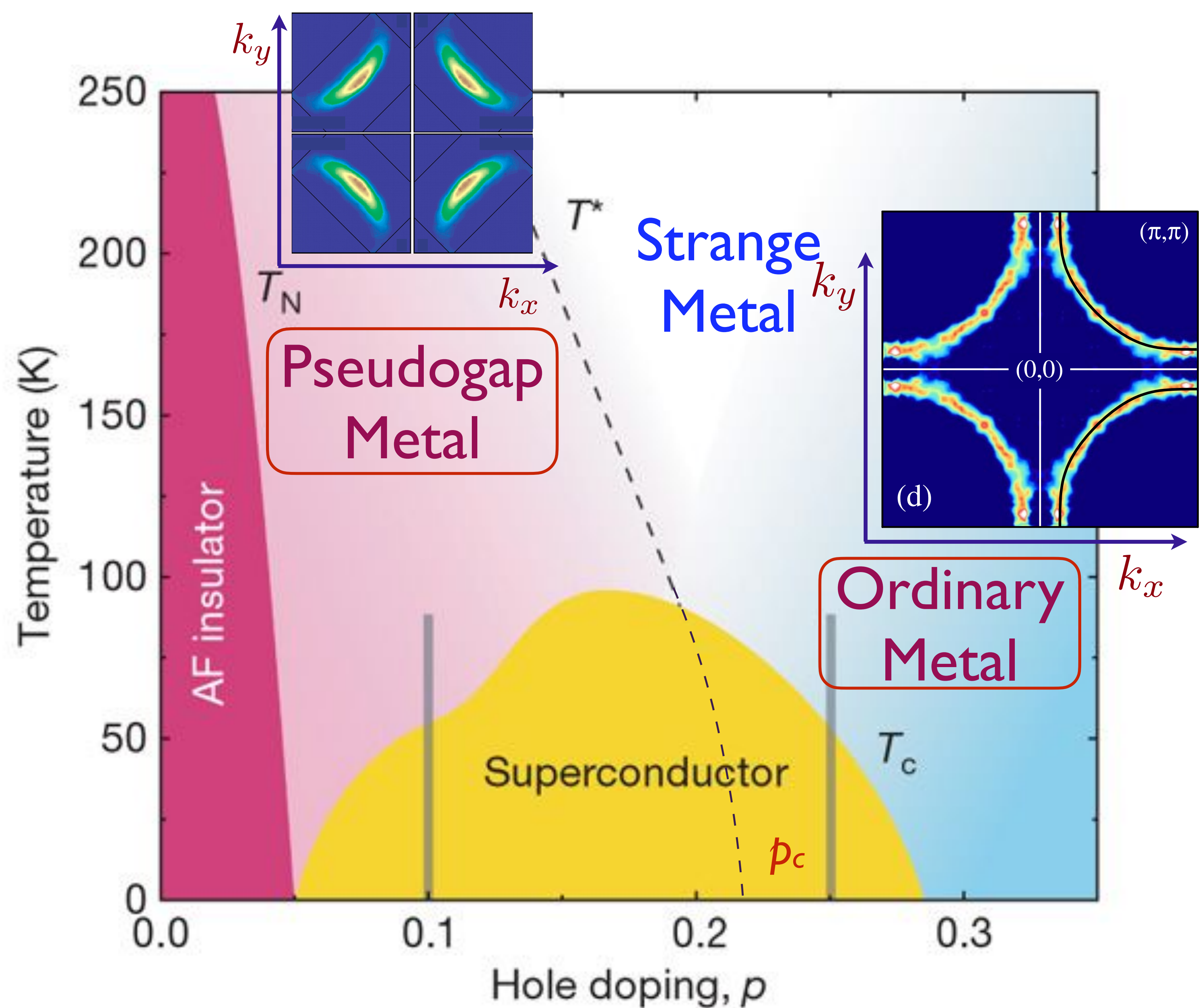
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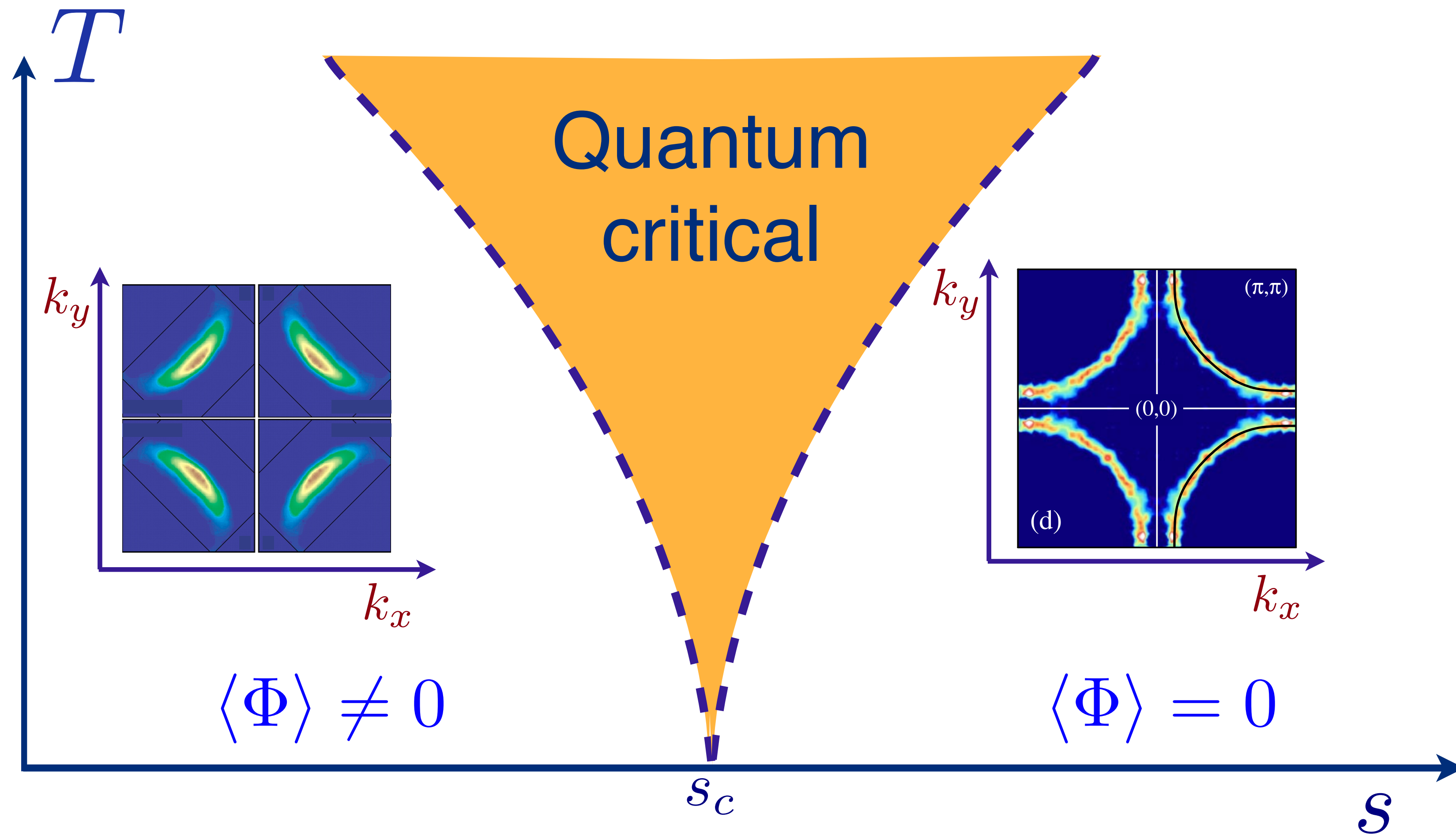
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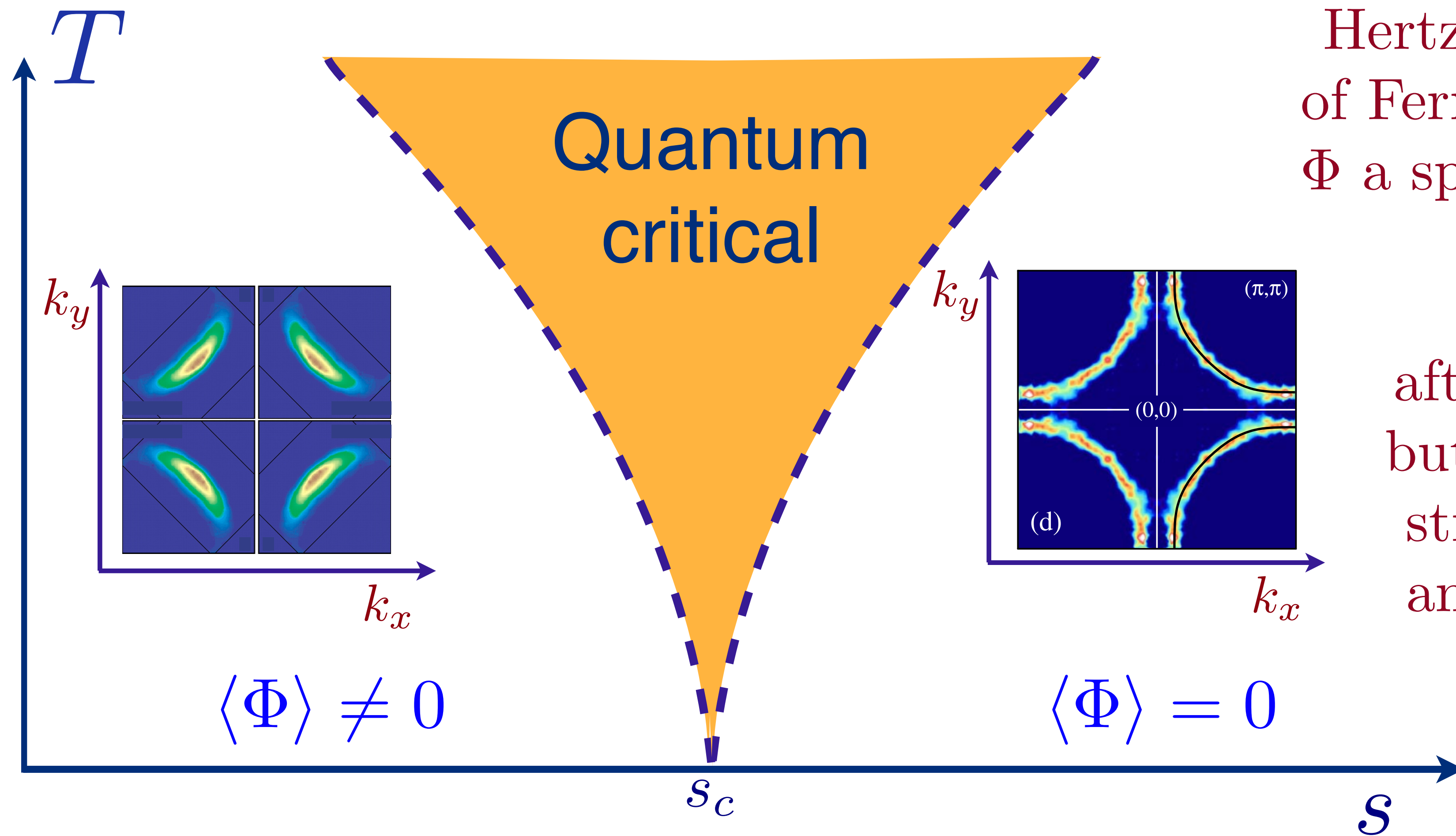
Quantum phase transition
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Quantum phase transition of Fermi surface change



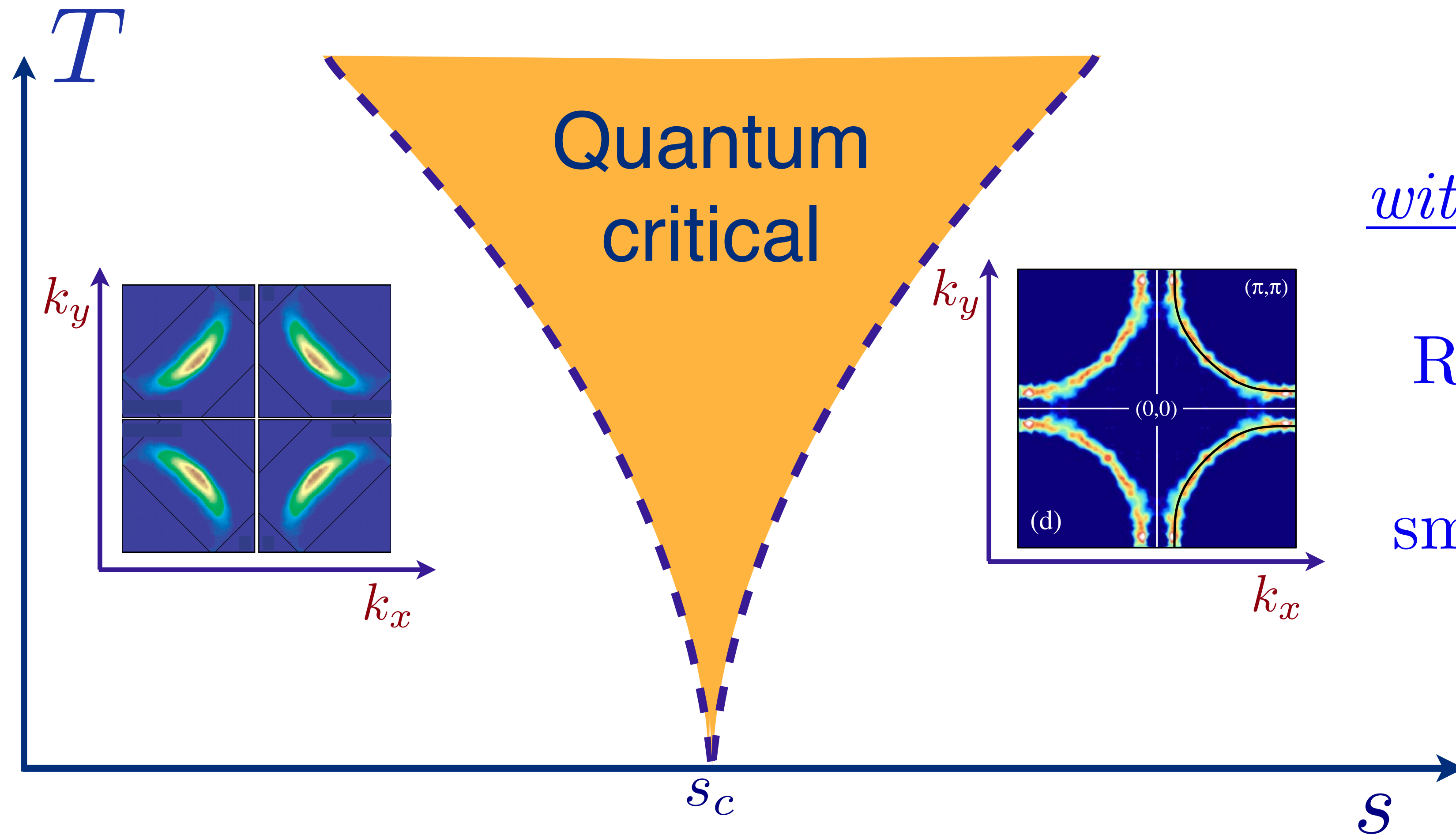
Quantum phase transition of Fermi surface change



Hertz-Millis (and EDMFT) theory of Fermi surface reconstruction with Φ a spin density wave (SDW) order.

Can apply at lower T after accounting for disorder, but SDW correlations are not strong enough to induce the anti-nodal gap in the higher temperature pseudogap.

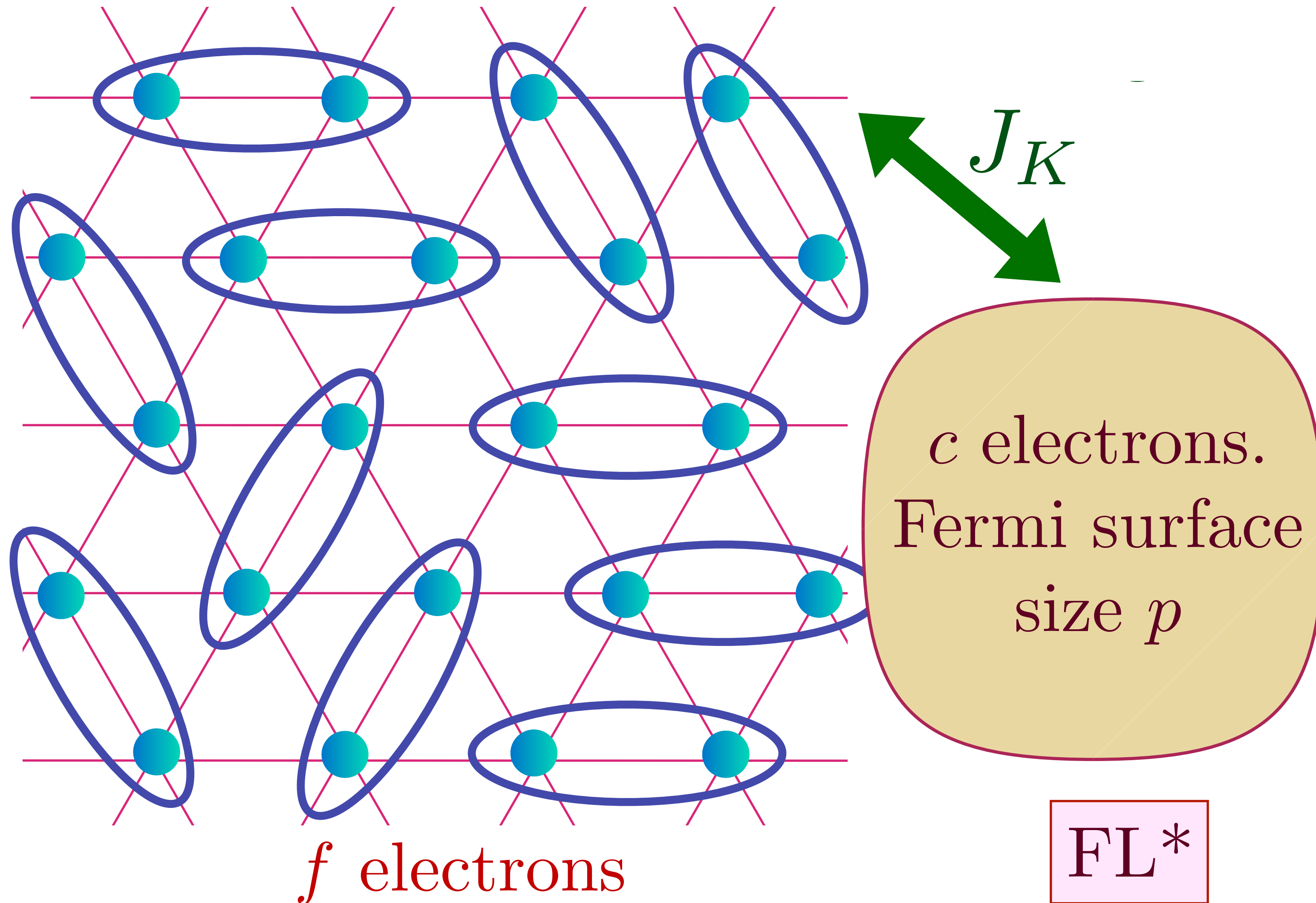
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Fermi volume change without symmetry breaking.

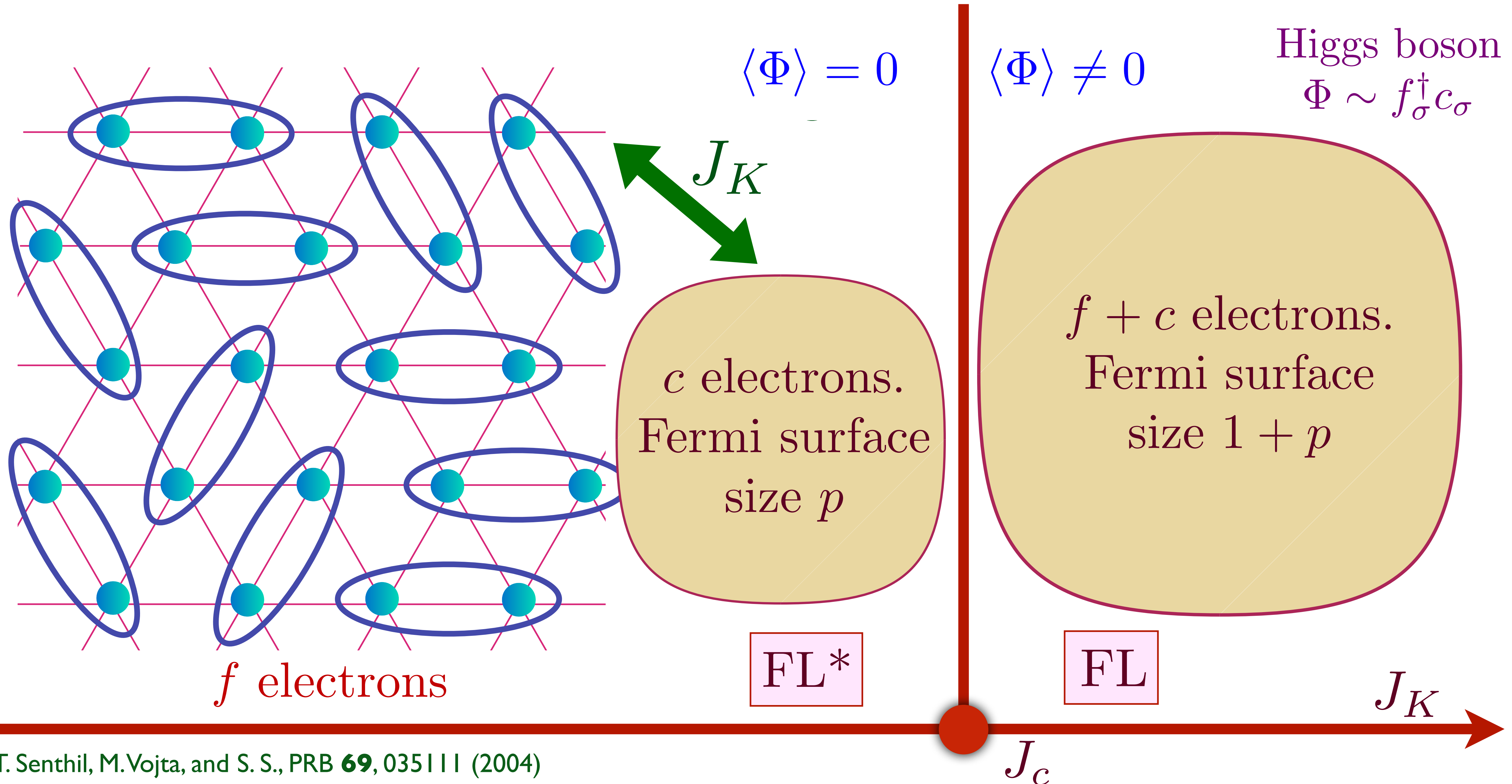
Requires a “background” spin liquid in the small Fermi surface phase.

Luttinger volume violation in the Kondo lattice

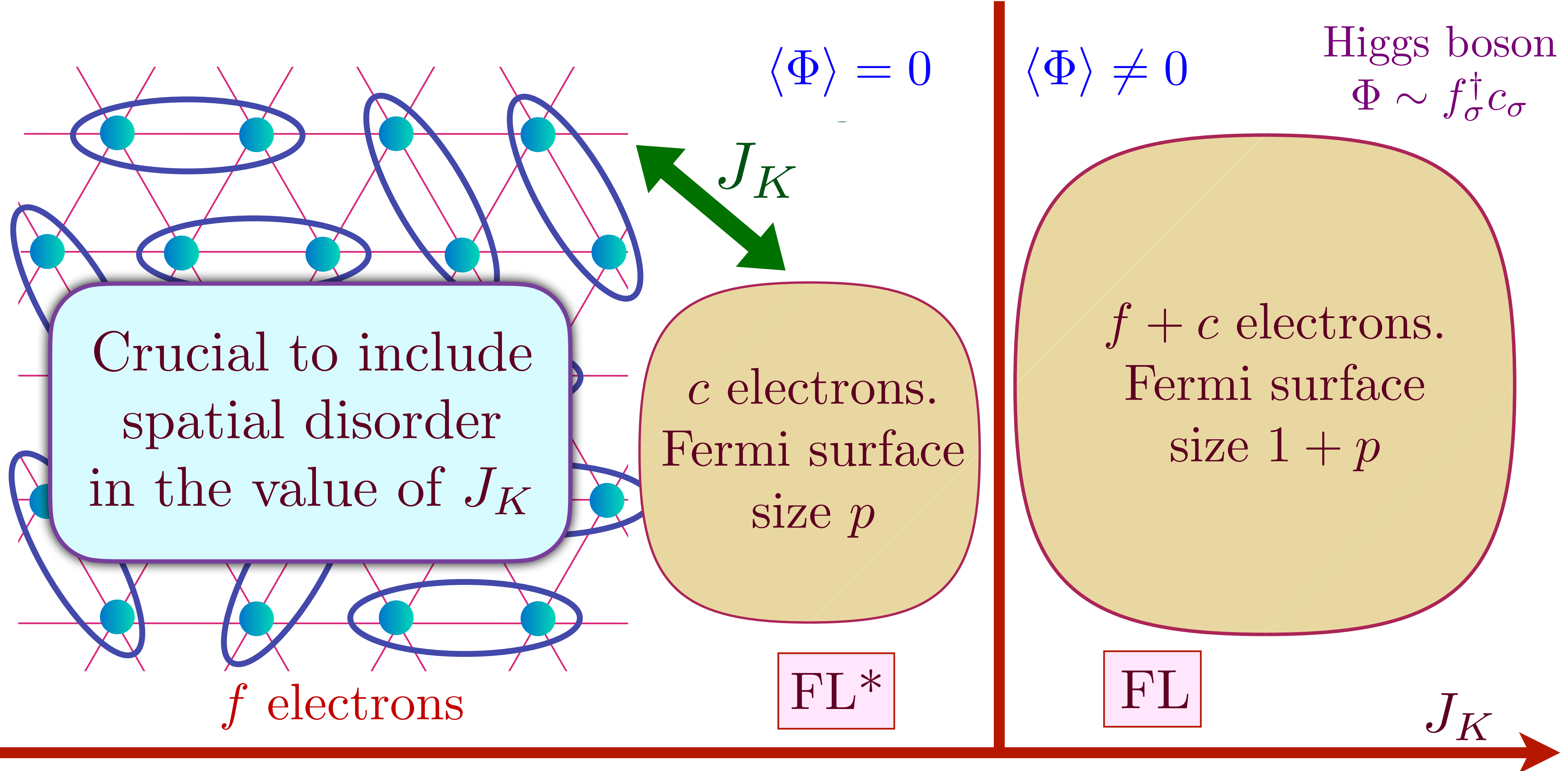


c electron Fermi surface size does not change (to all orders) after Kondo coupling, J_K , to f electron spin liquid.

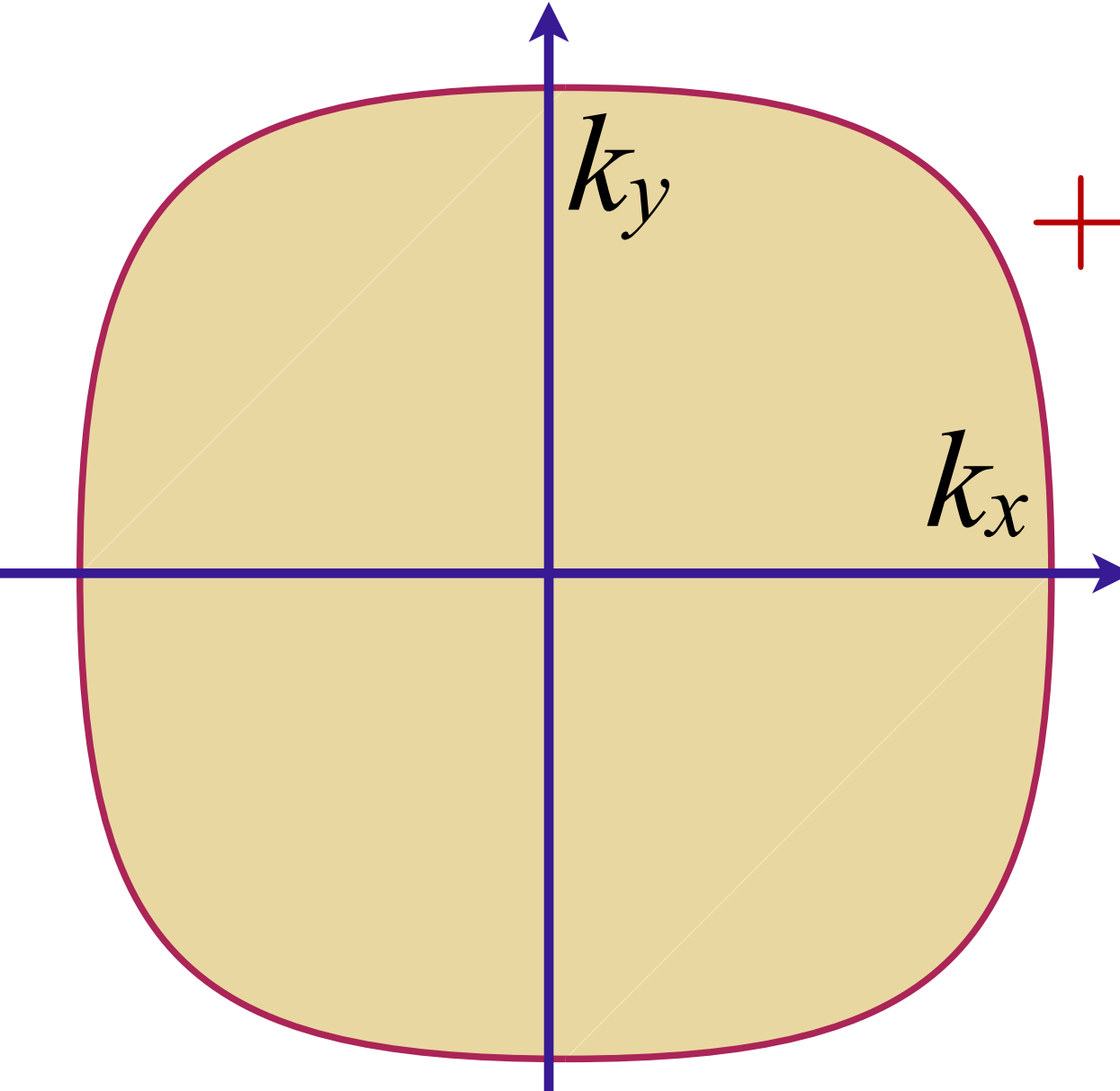
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Kondo lattice + critical boson with potential and mass disorder

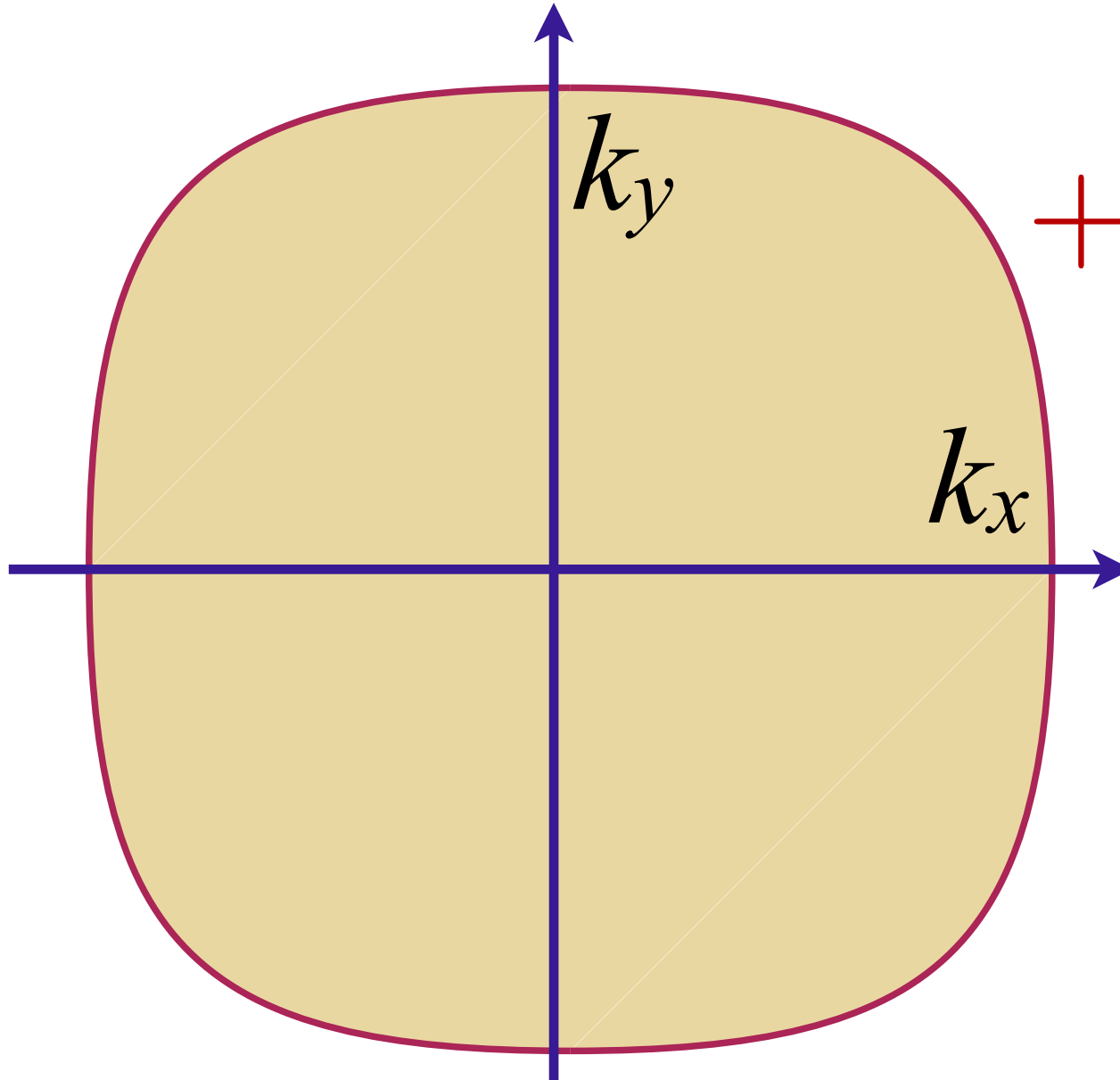
$$\begin{aligned}
 & c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^\dagger \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} + \varepsilon(\mathbf{k}) \right) c_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} + f_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^\dagger \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} + \varepsilon_1(\mathbf{k}) \right) f_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \\
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 & + K [\nabla_{\mathbf{r}} \Phi(\mathbf{r})]^2 + u [\Phi(\mathbf{r})]^4 + v(\mathbf{r}) c_\sigma^\dagger(\mathbf{r}) c_\sigma(\mathbf{r})
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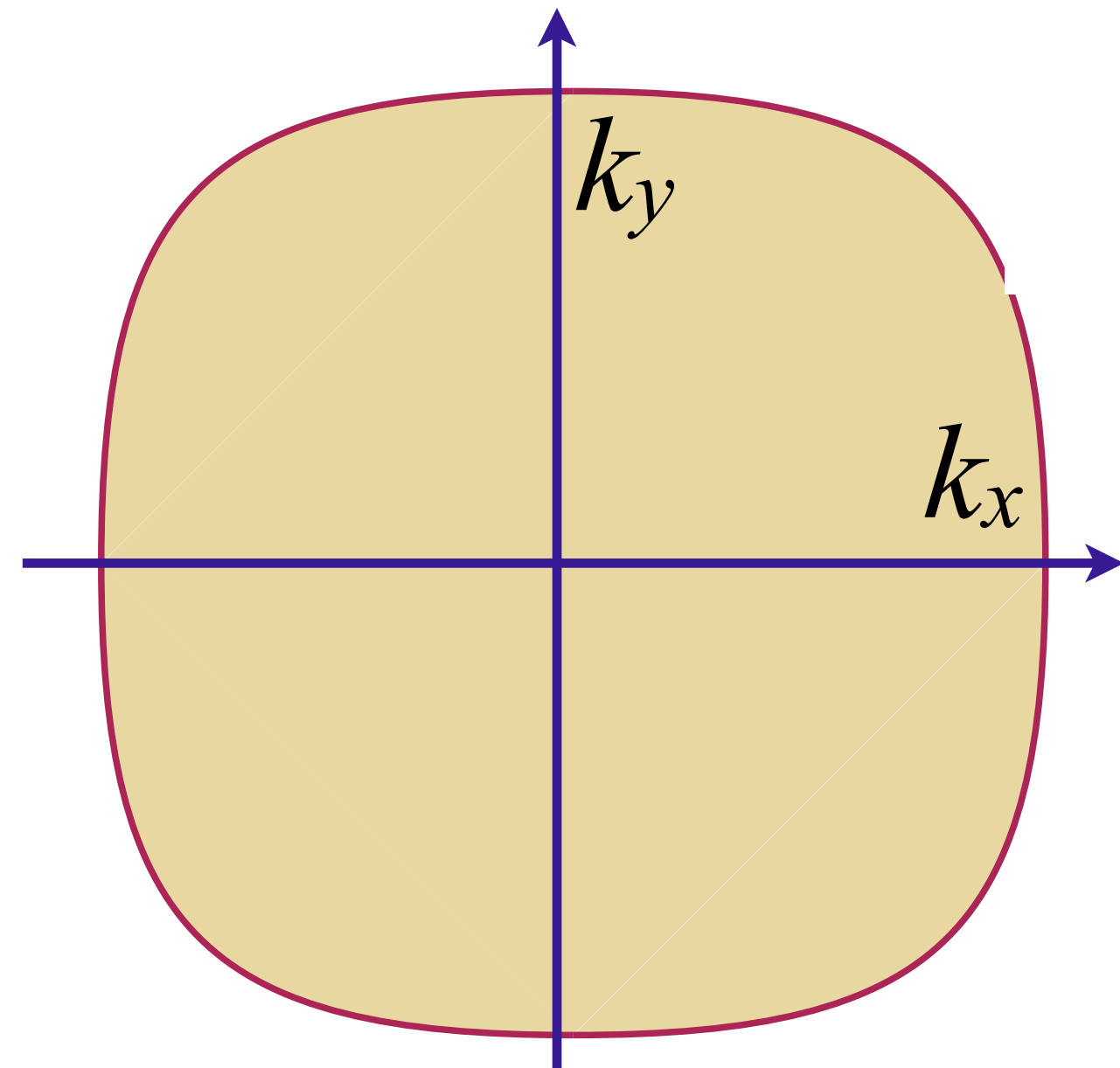
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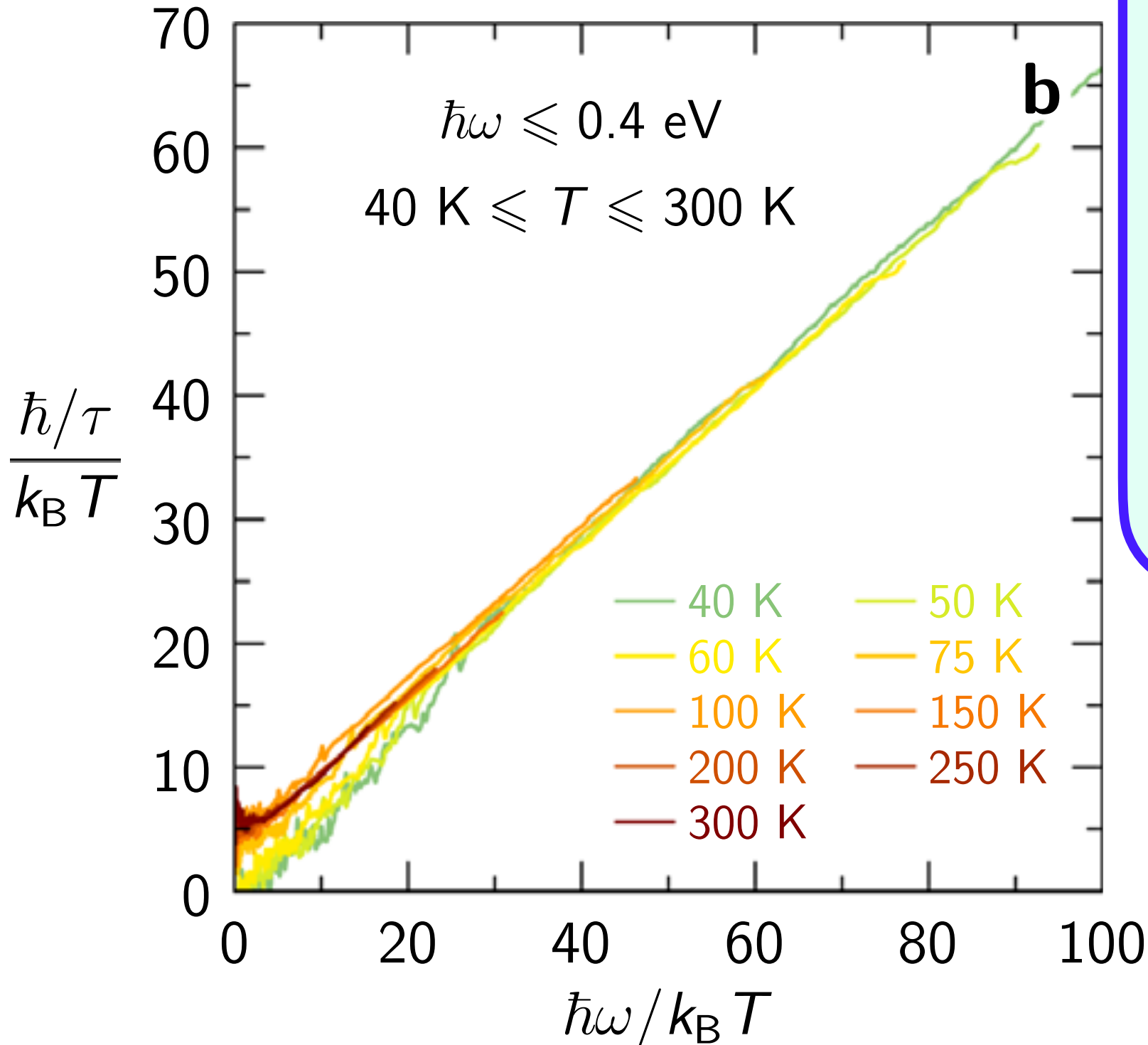
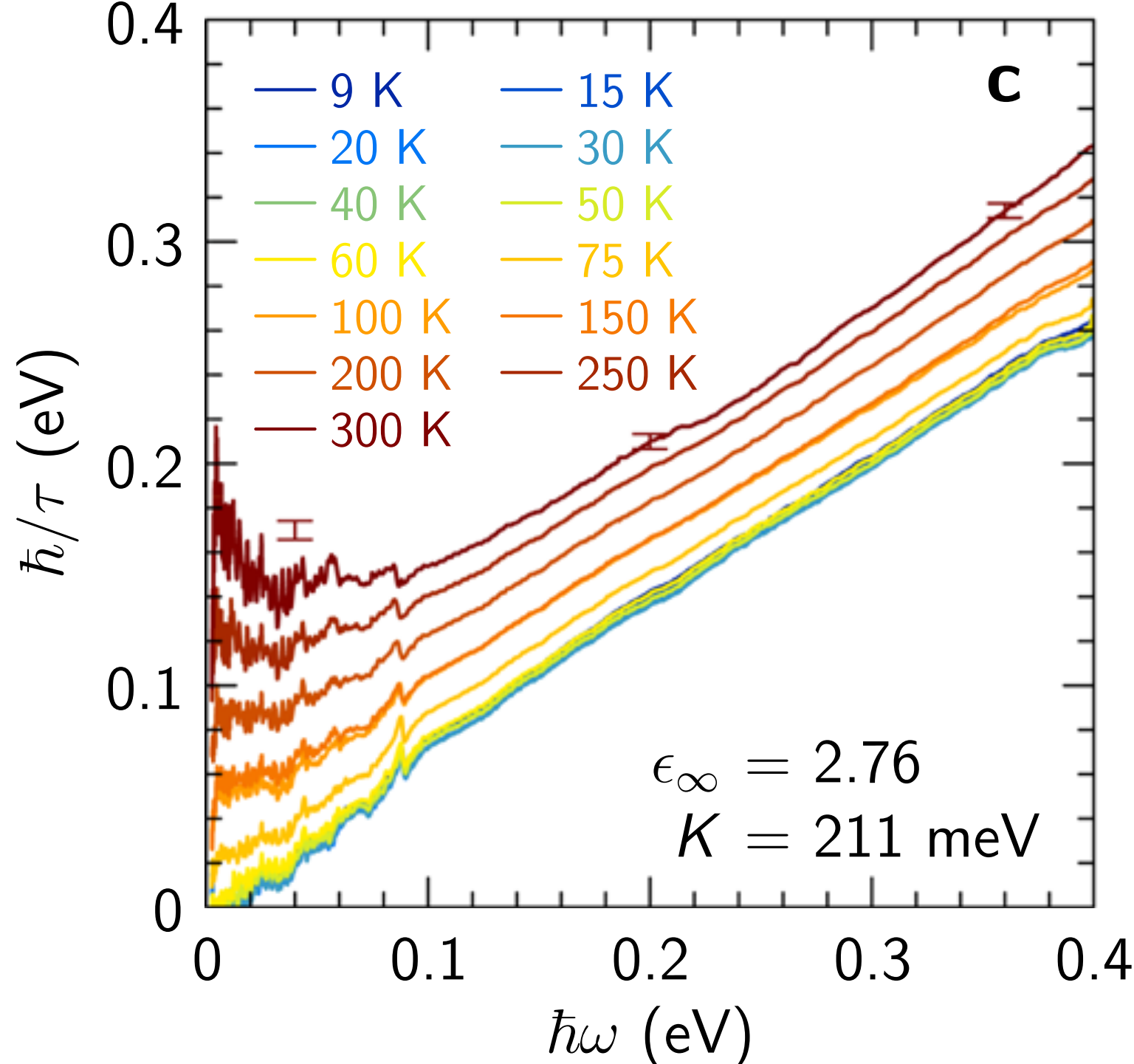
The 2d-YSYK model: can apply self-consistent SYK methods!
Should be applicable as long as eigenmodes of $\Phi(\mathbf{r})$ are extended.

Reconciling scaling of the optical conductivity of cuprate superconductors with Planckian resistivity and specific heat

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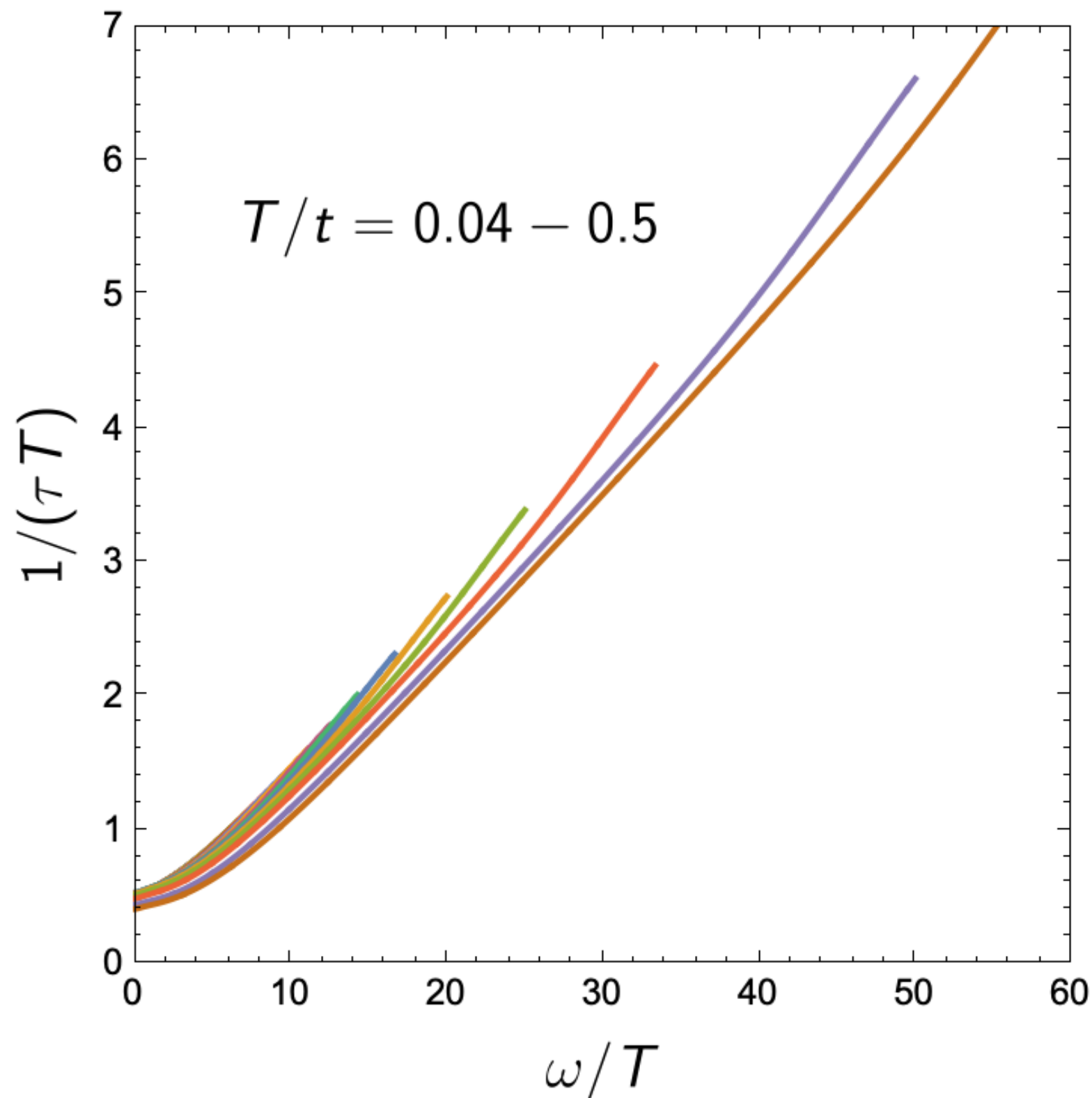
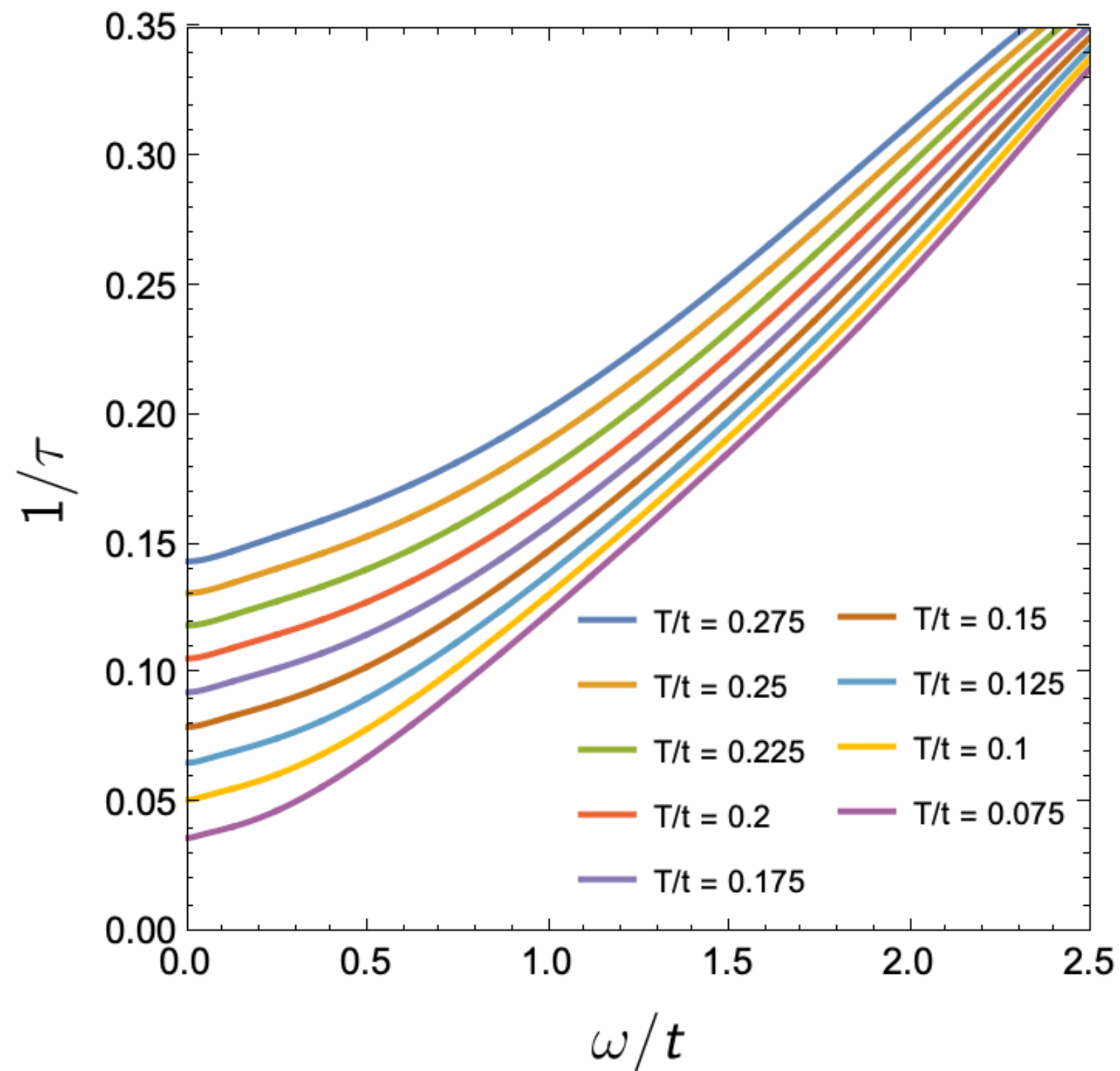
$$S(T \rightarrow 0) \sim T \ln(1/T).$$

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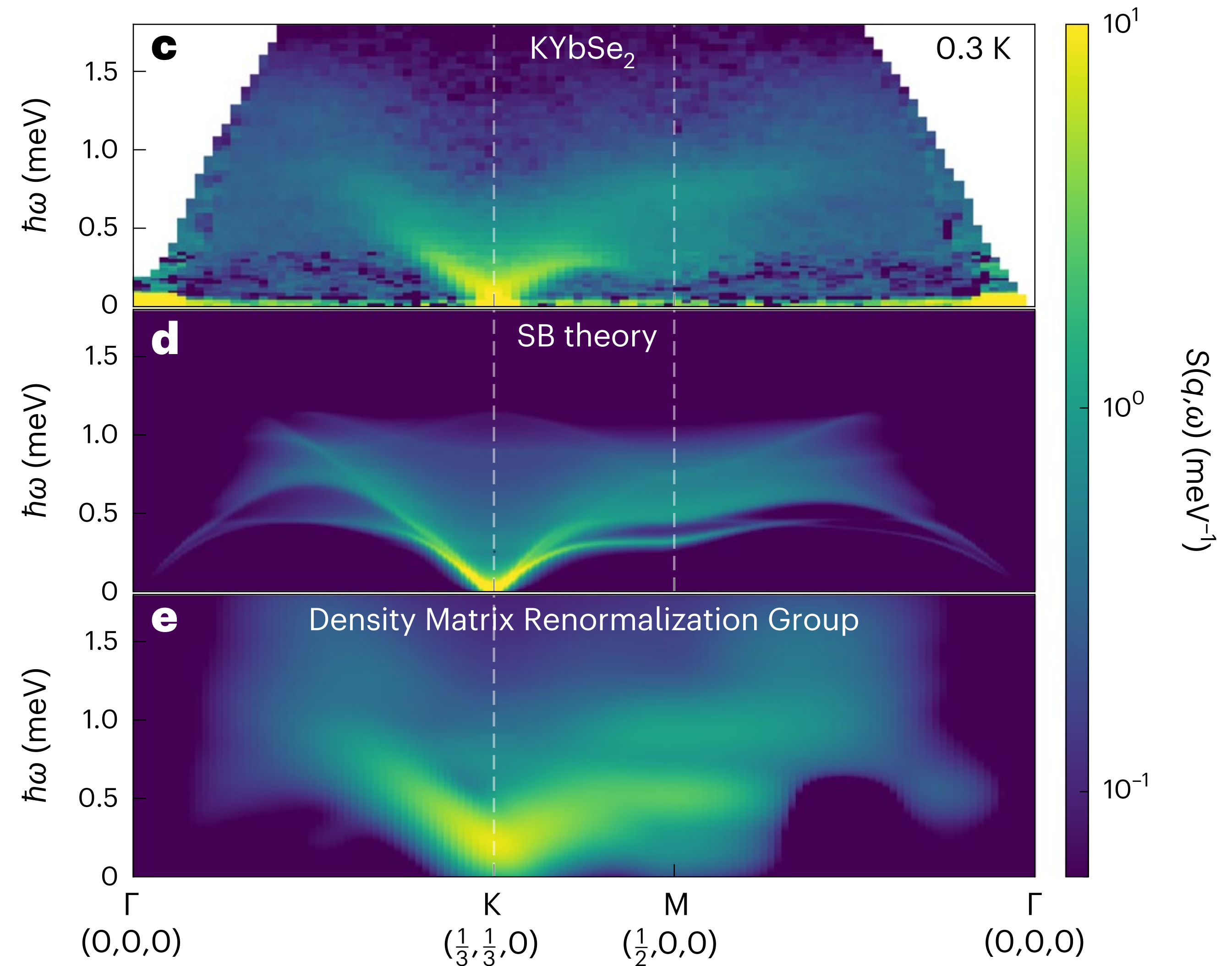
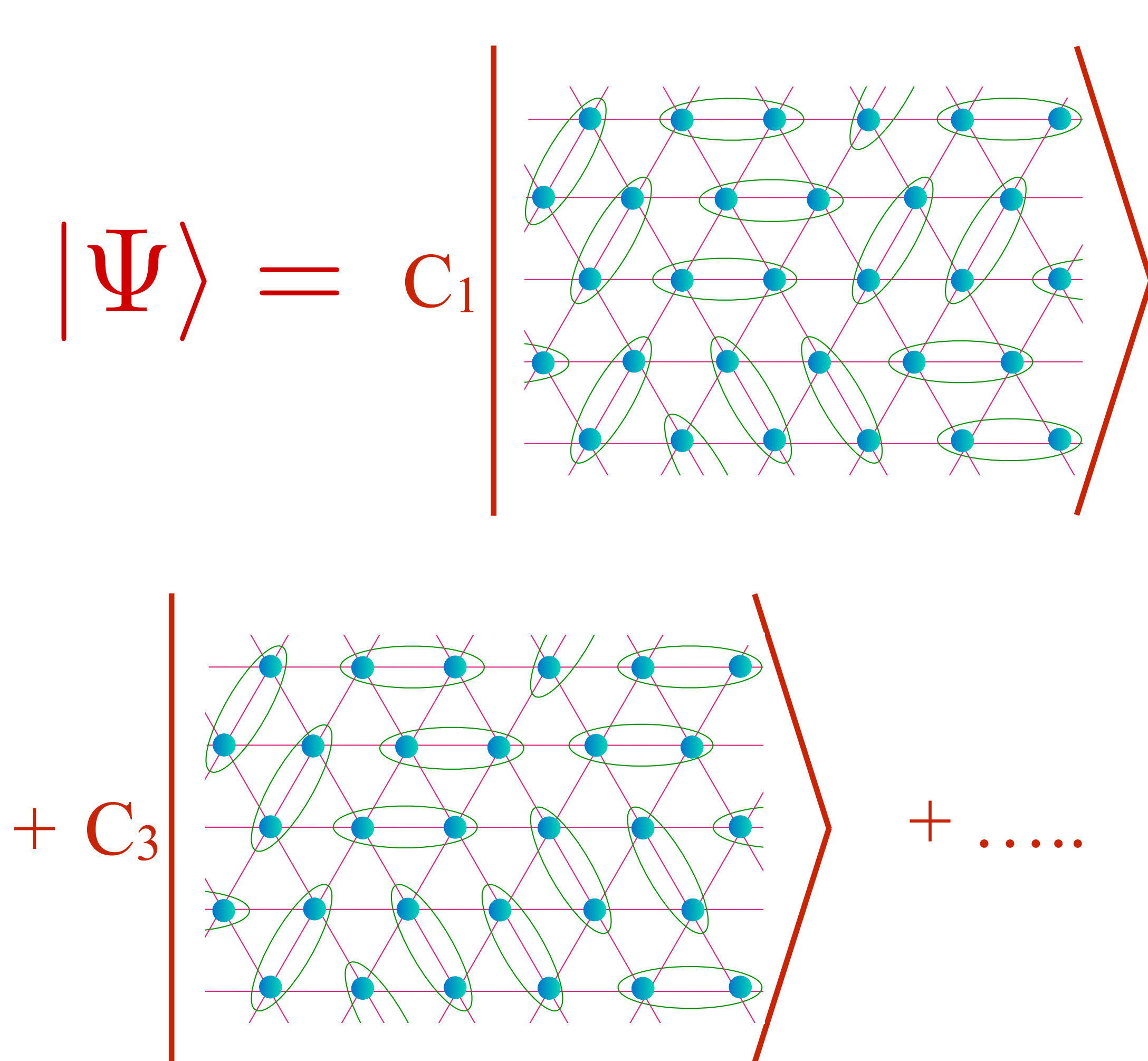
in 2d-YSYK model

(unlike zero temperature entropy in SYK model).

Recap

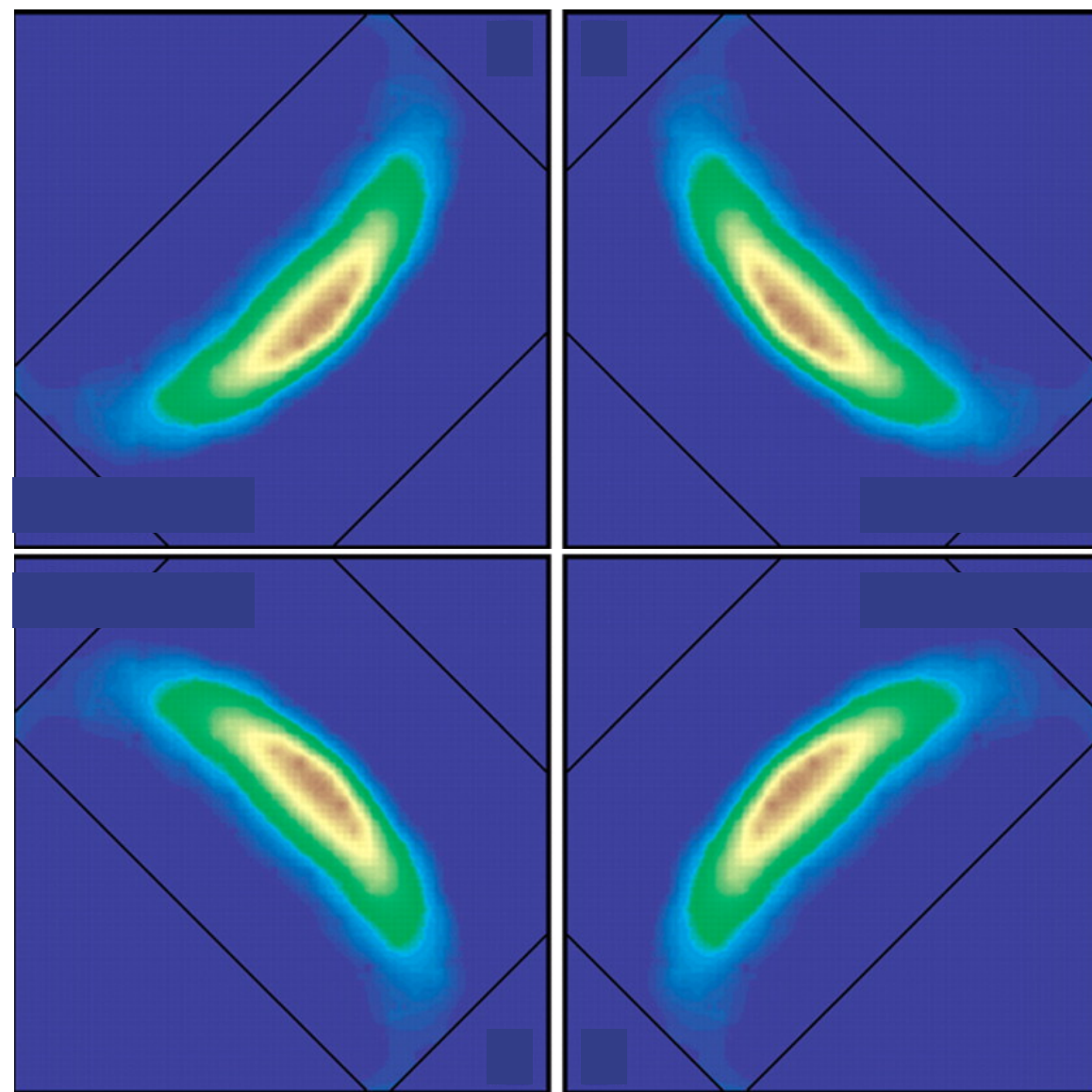
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Theory and experiments on Z_2 spin liquids



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Gapless U(1) spin liquid of the pseudogap metal in the cuprates



$\text{Ca}_{2-x}\text{Na}_x\text{CuO}_2\text{Cl}_2$ at $x = 0.10$

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N. J. C. Ingle, W. S. Lee, W. Meevasana, Y. Kohsaka, M. Azuma,
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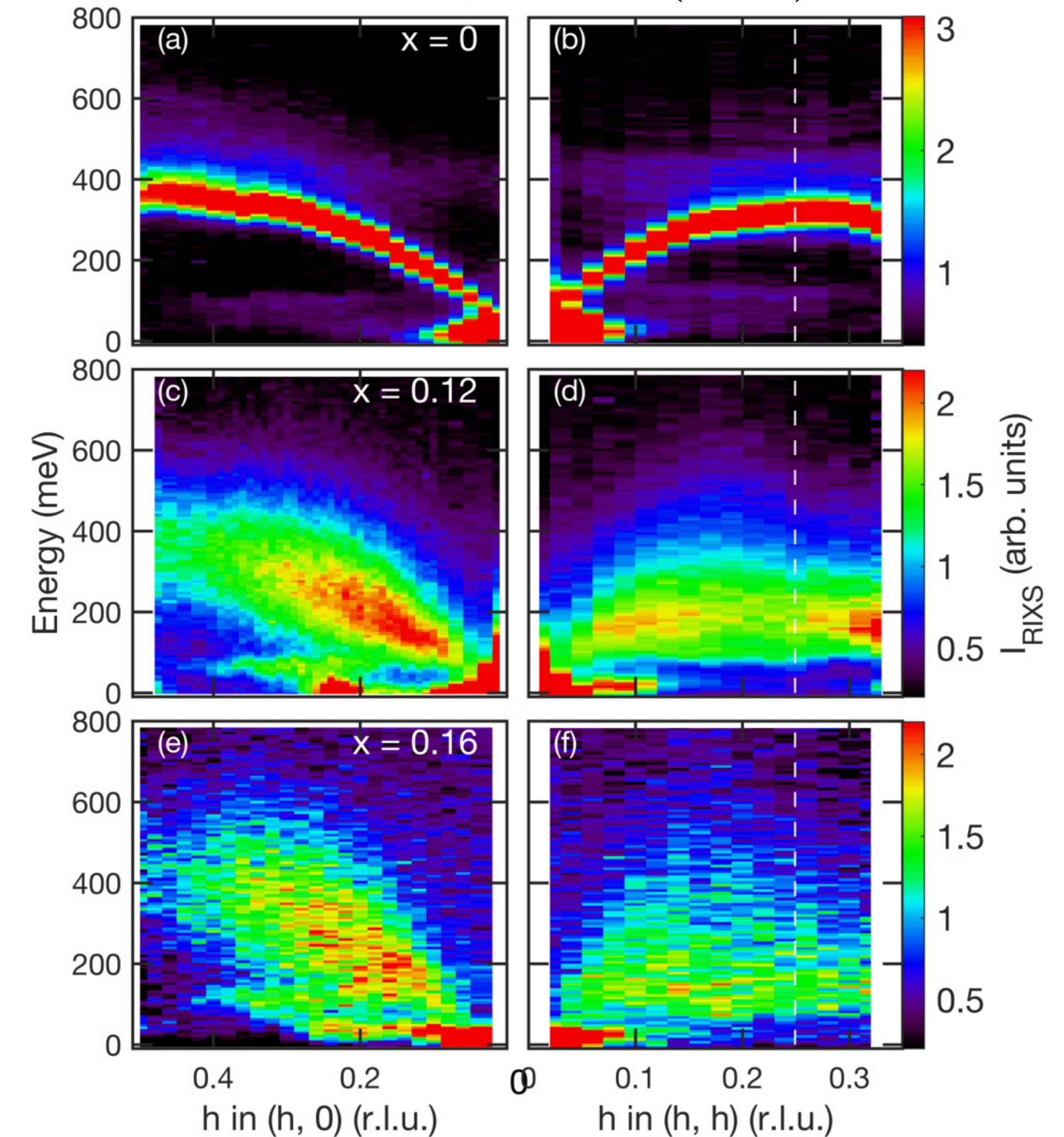
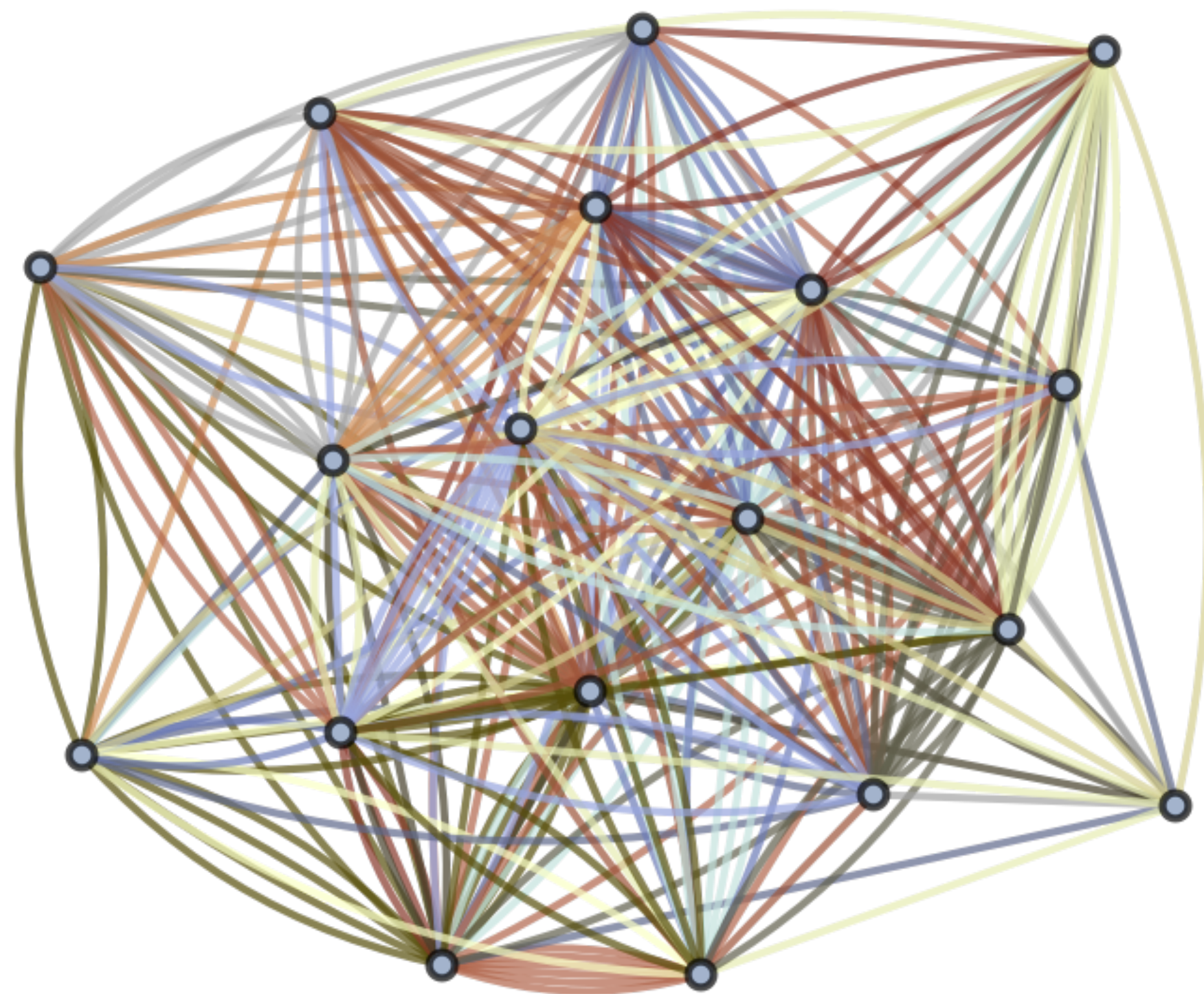


FIG. 2. I_{RIXS} intensity maps as a function of \mathbf{Q} in LSCO $x = 0$ ($T \approx 20$ K), 0.12, and 0.16 ($T \approx 30$ K).

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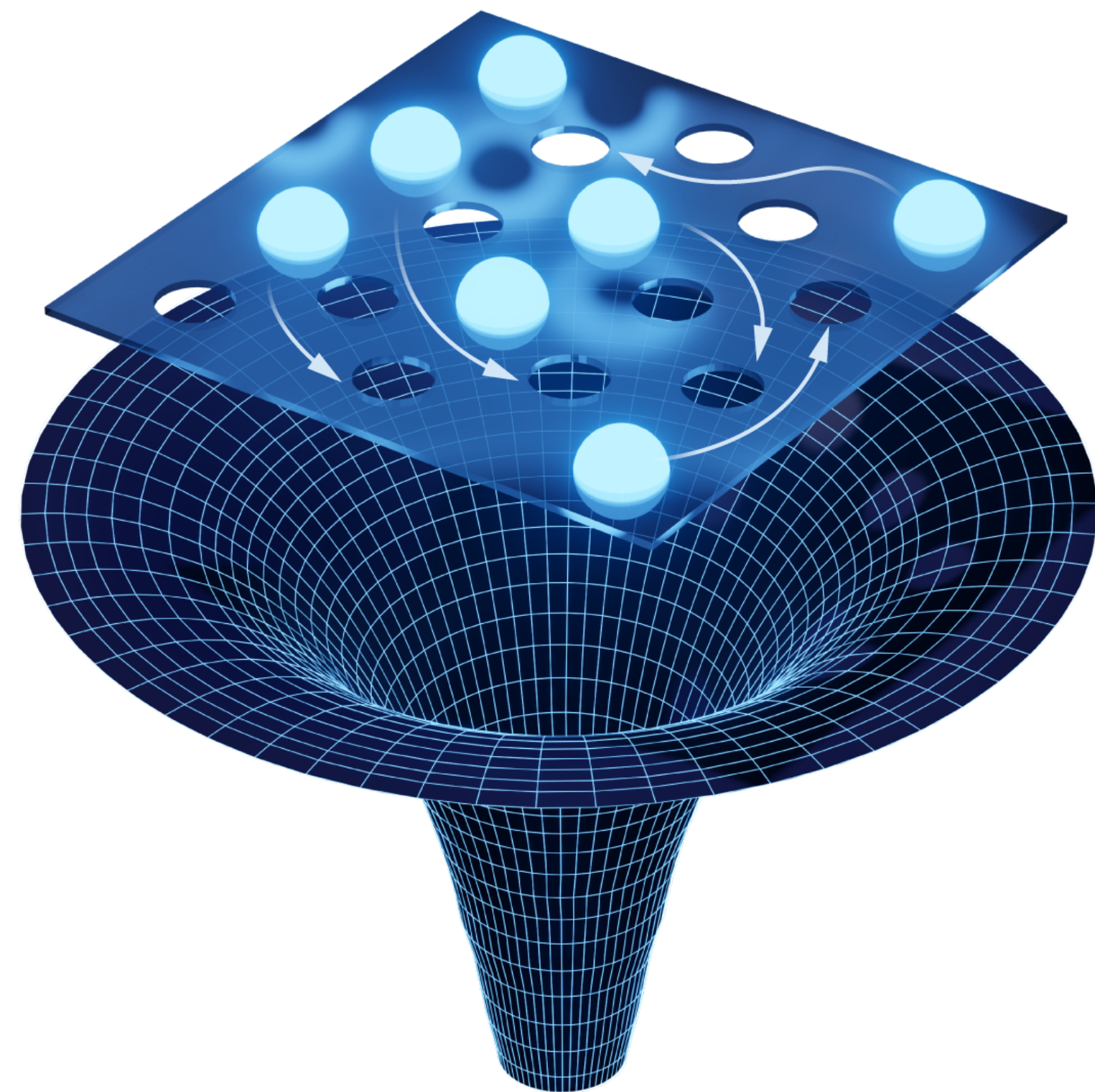


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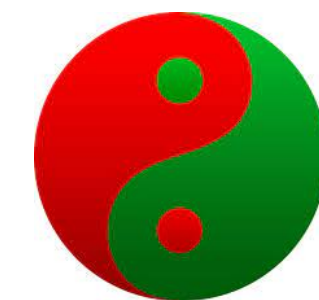


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