

# Planckian metals and optimal doping criticality

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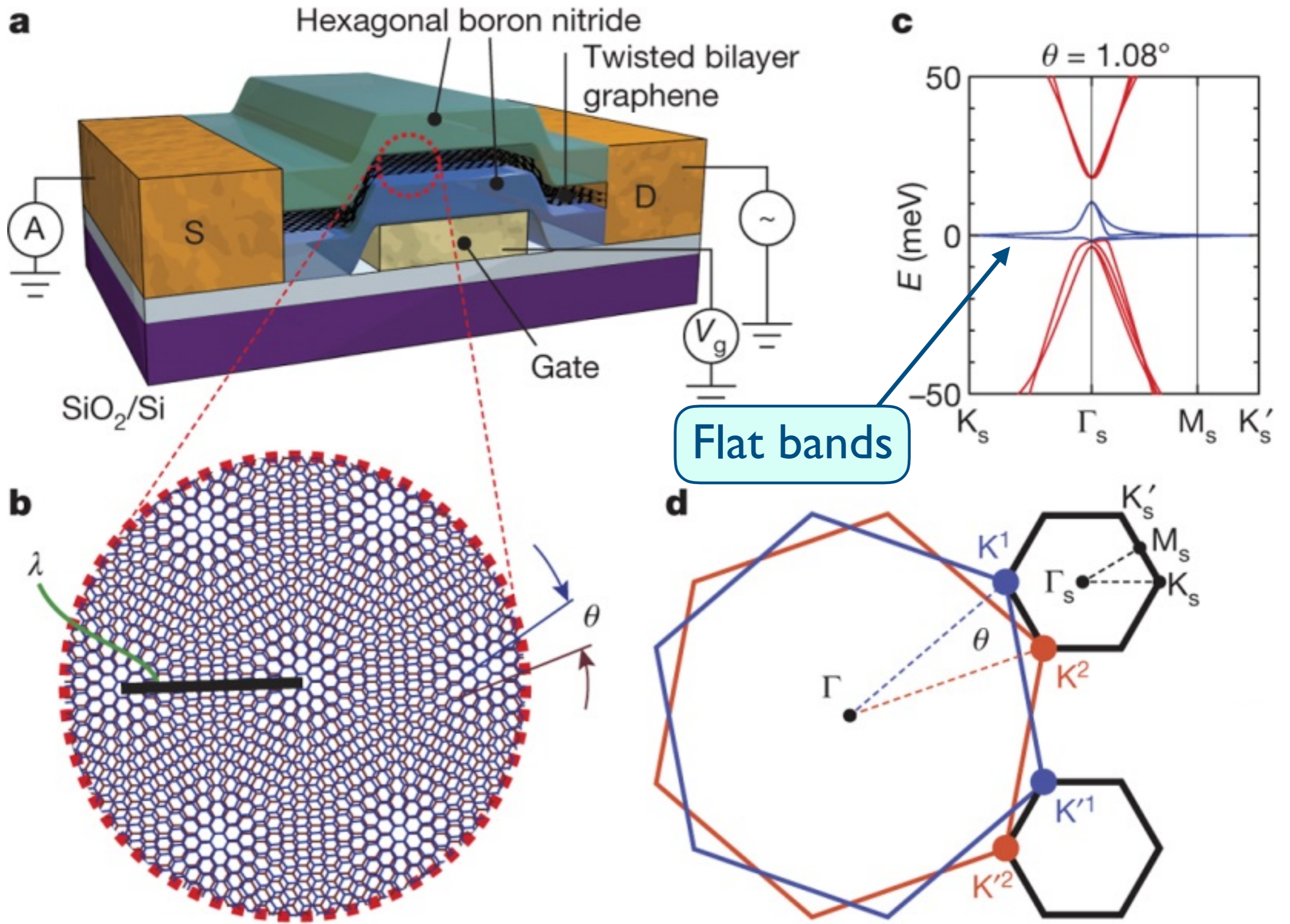
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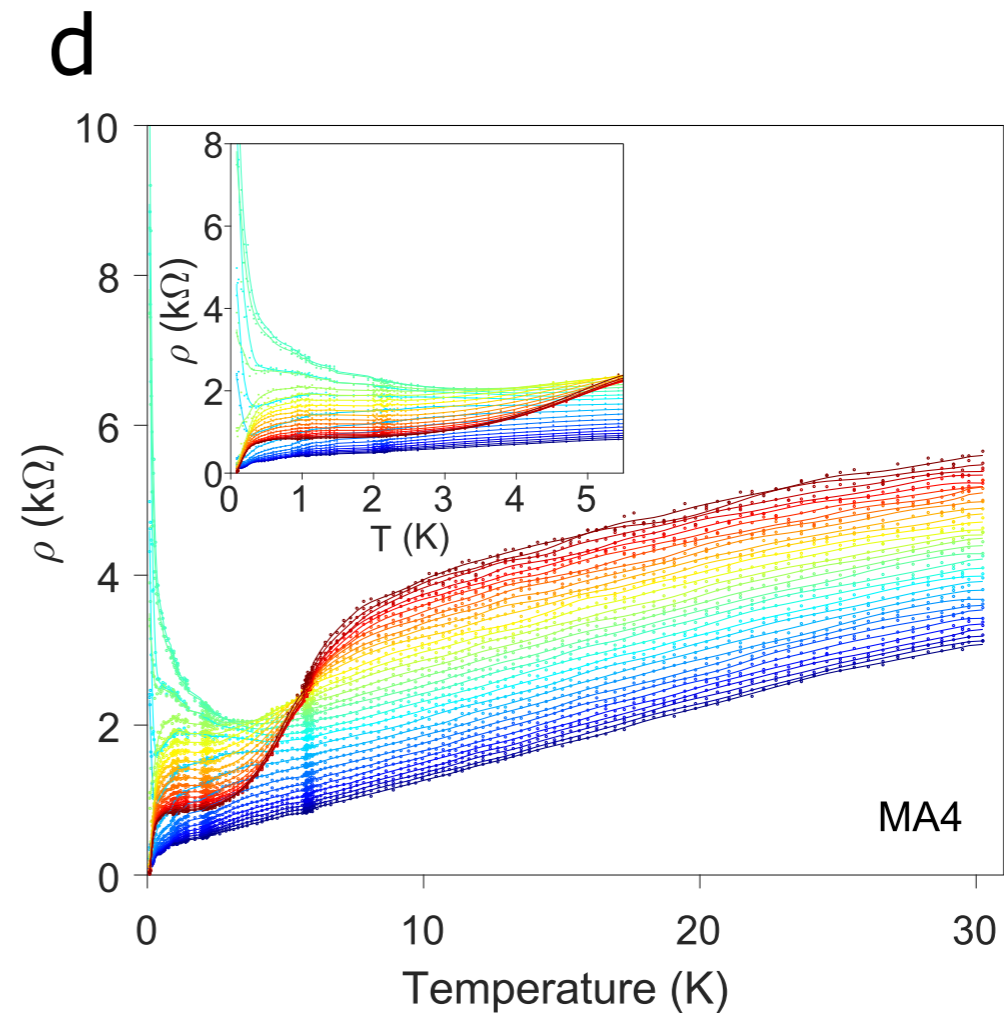
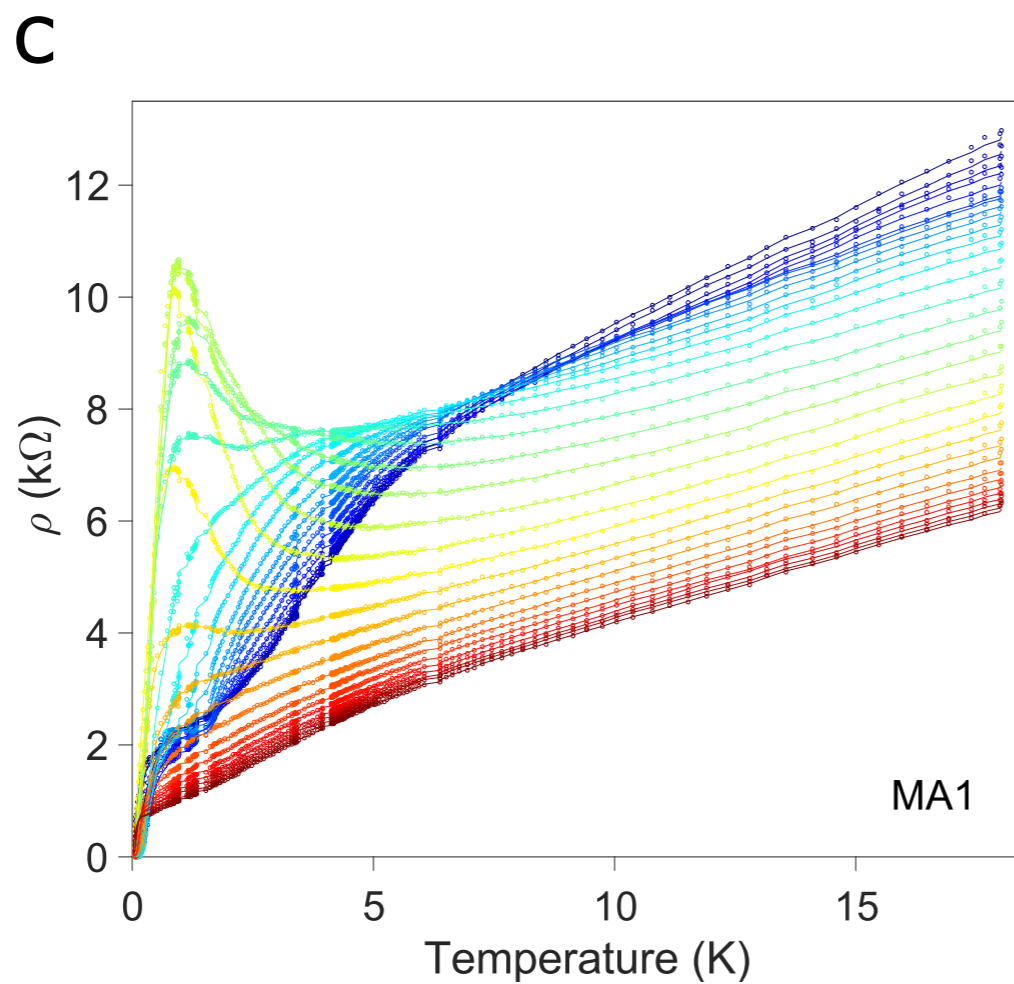
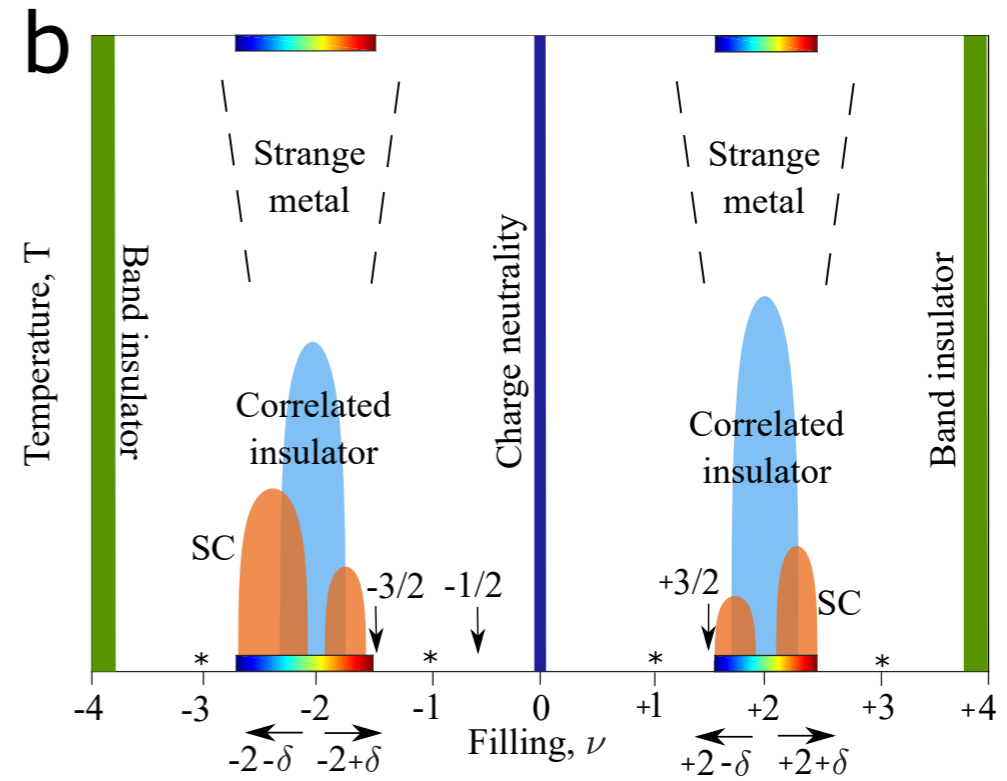
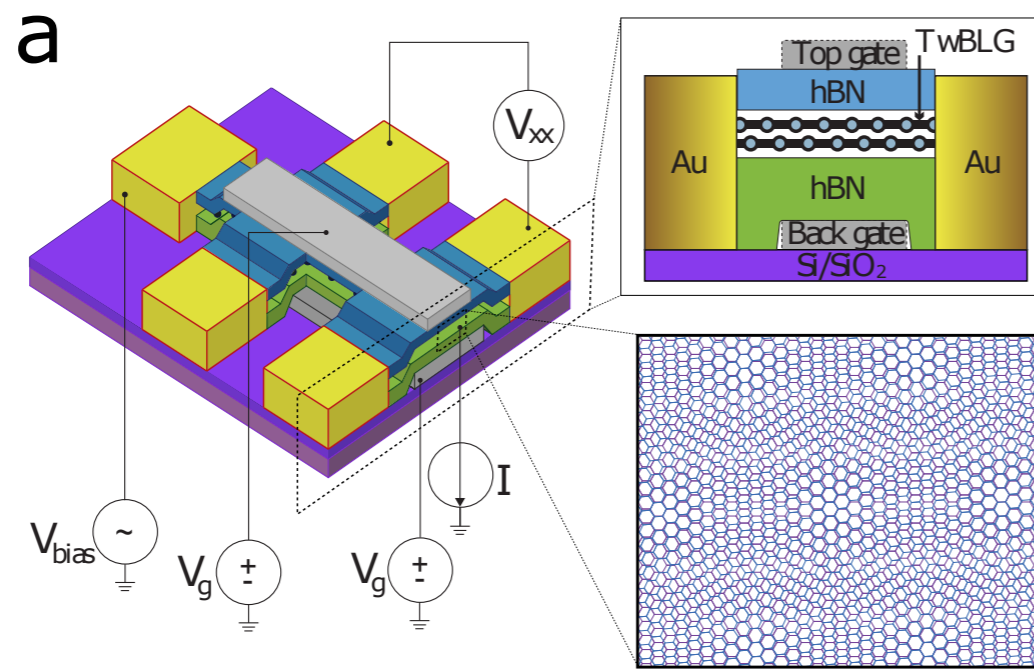
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Remarkable recent observation of ‘Planckian’ strange metal transport in cuprates, pnictides, magic-angle graphene, and ultracold atoms: the resistivity,  $\rho$ , is

$$\rho = \frac{m^*}{ne^2} \frac{1}{\tau}$$

with a universal scattering rate

$$\frac{1}{\tau} \approx \frac{k_B T}{\hbar},$$

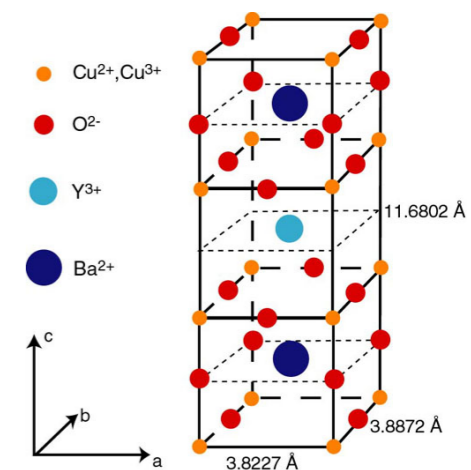
independent of the strength of interactions!



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

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

$$\frac{1}{\tau} = \alpha \frac{k_B T}{\hbar}$$



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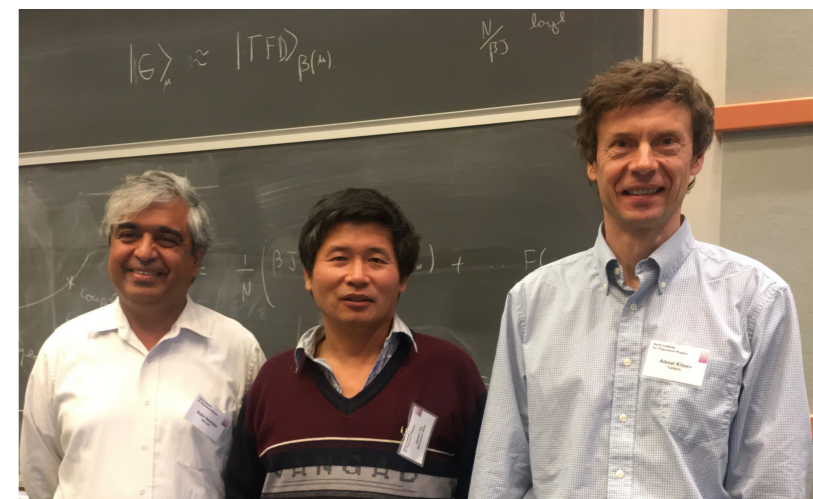
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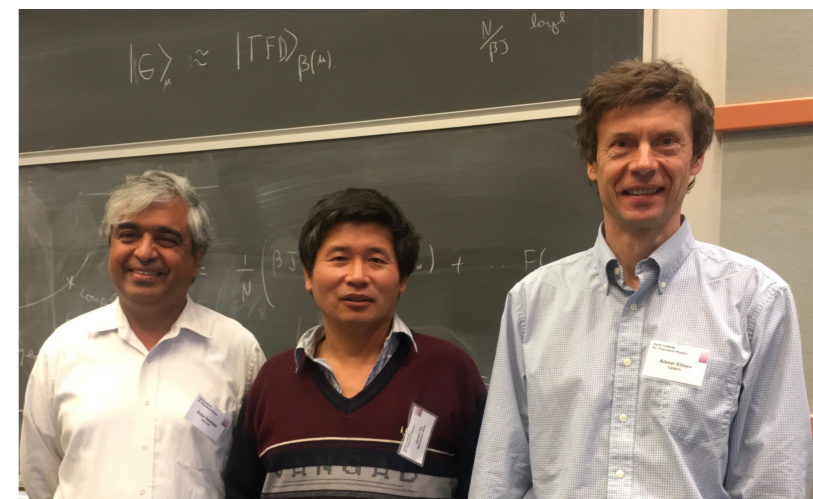
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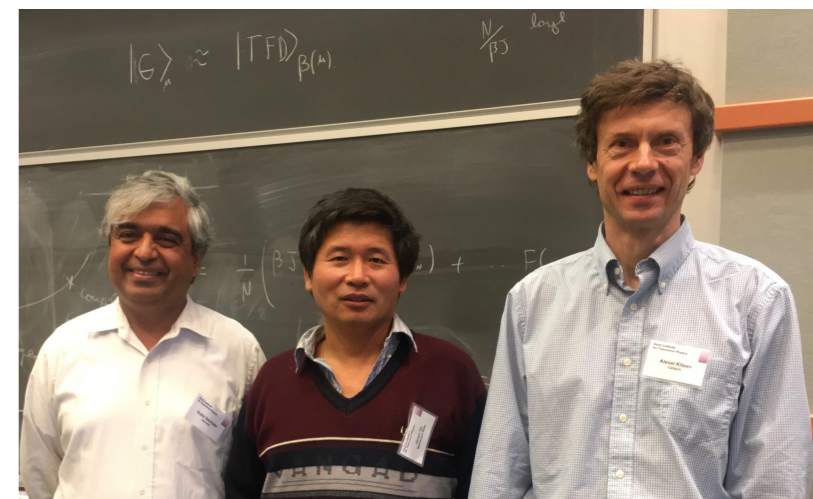
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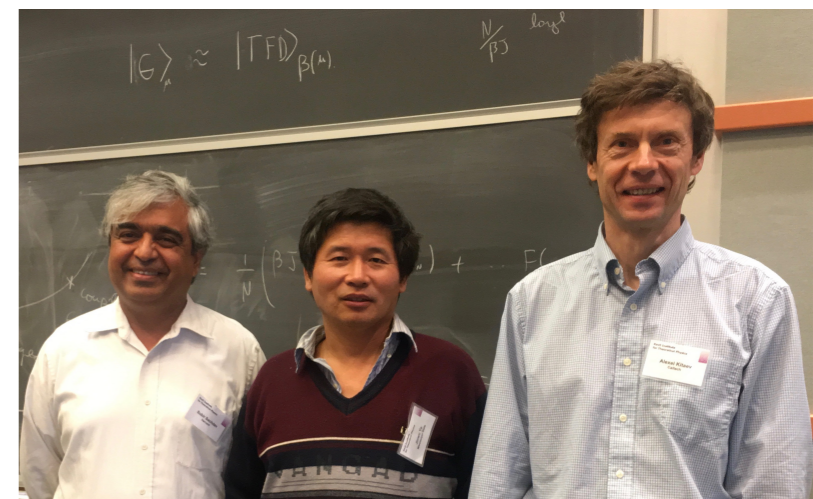
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Determines the particle-hole asymmetry, and  $\mathcal{E} = \mathbb{C}e/U$ , with  $\mathbb{C} = 0.41$  from a numerical solution.

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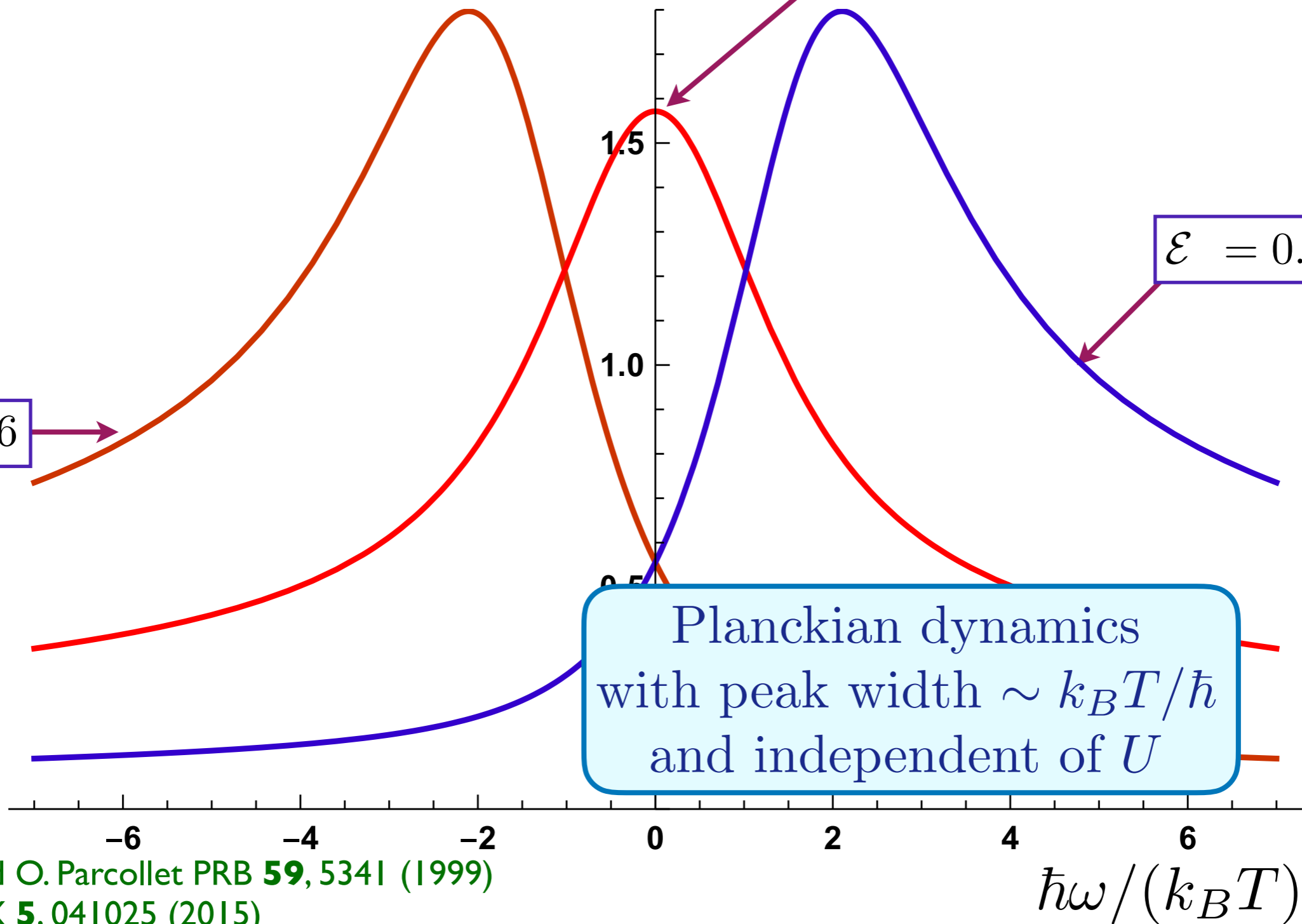
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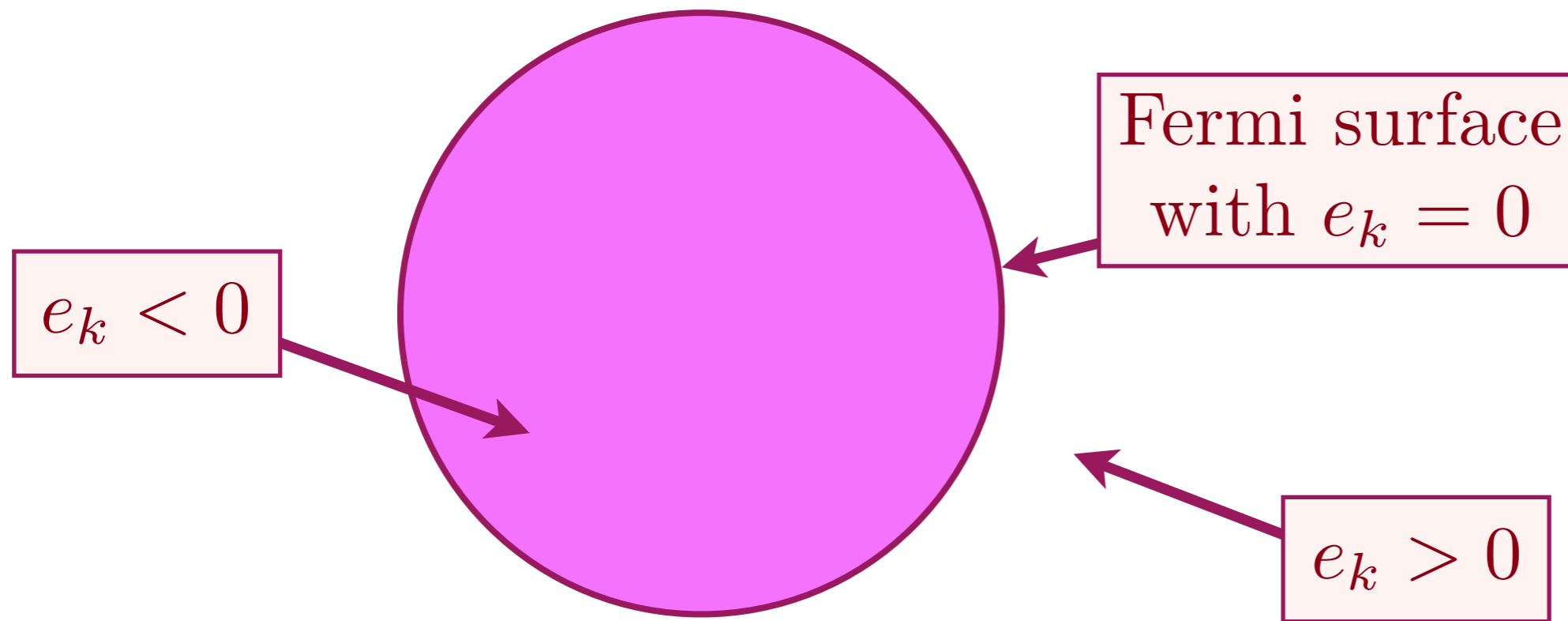
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Planckian dynamics  
with peak width  $\sim k_B T / \hbar$   
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# Adding dispersion



- All electrons in the (flat band) SYK model have the same  $e$
- In a more realistic metal, the electrons have a dispersion  $e_k$  ( $k$  is momentum), and  $e_k = 0$  is the Fermi surface.

# Flat band metal

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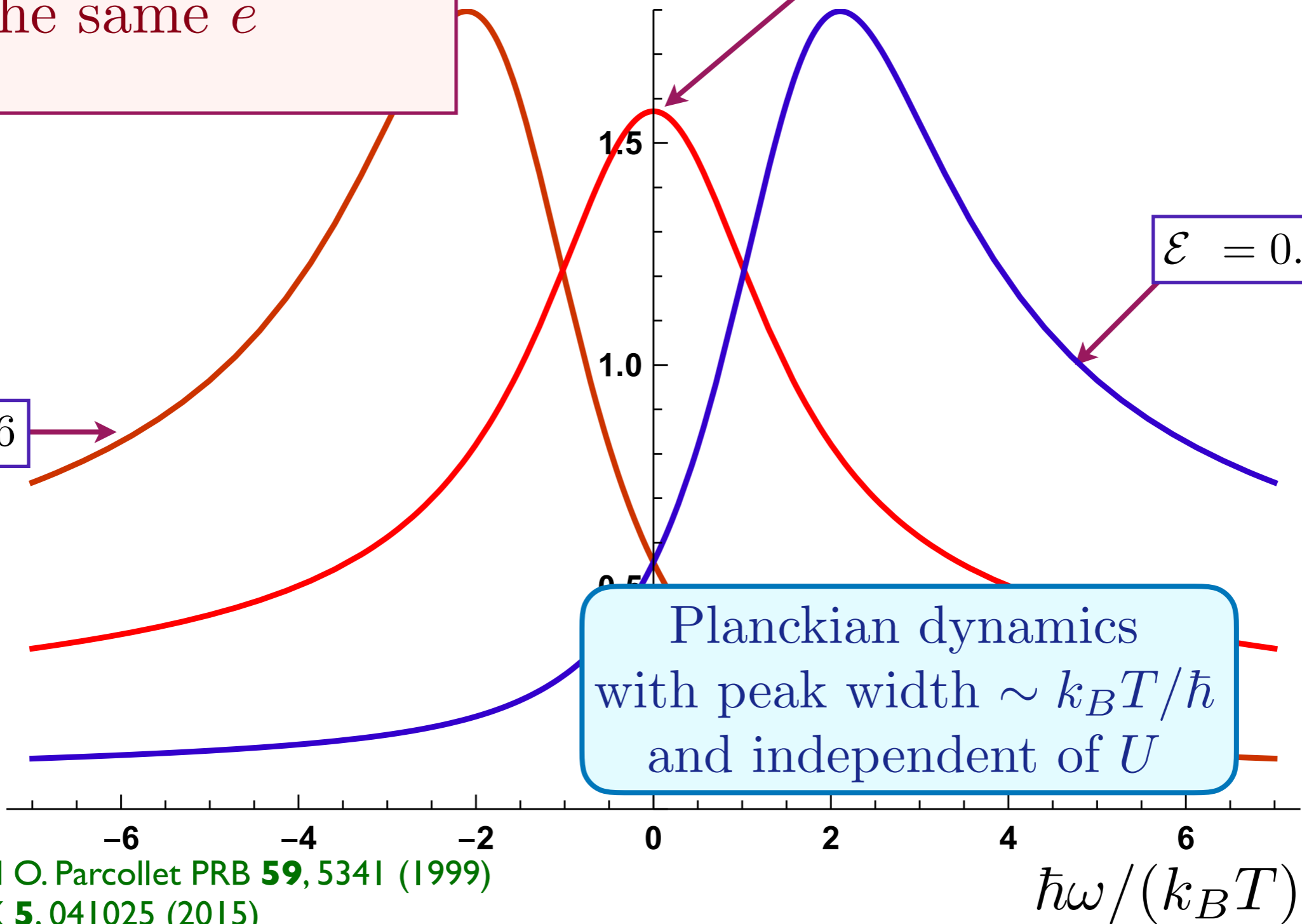
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# Planckian metal ansatz with dispersion

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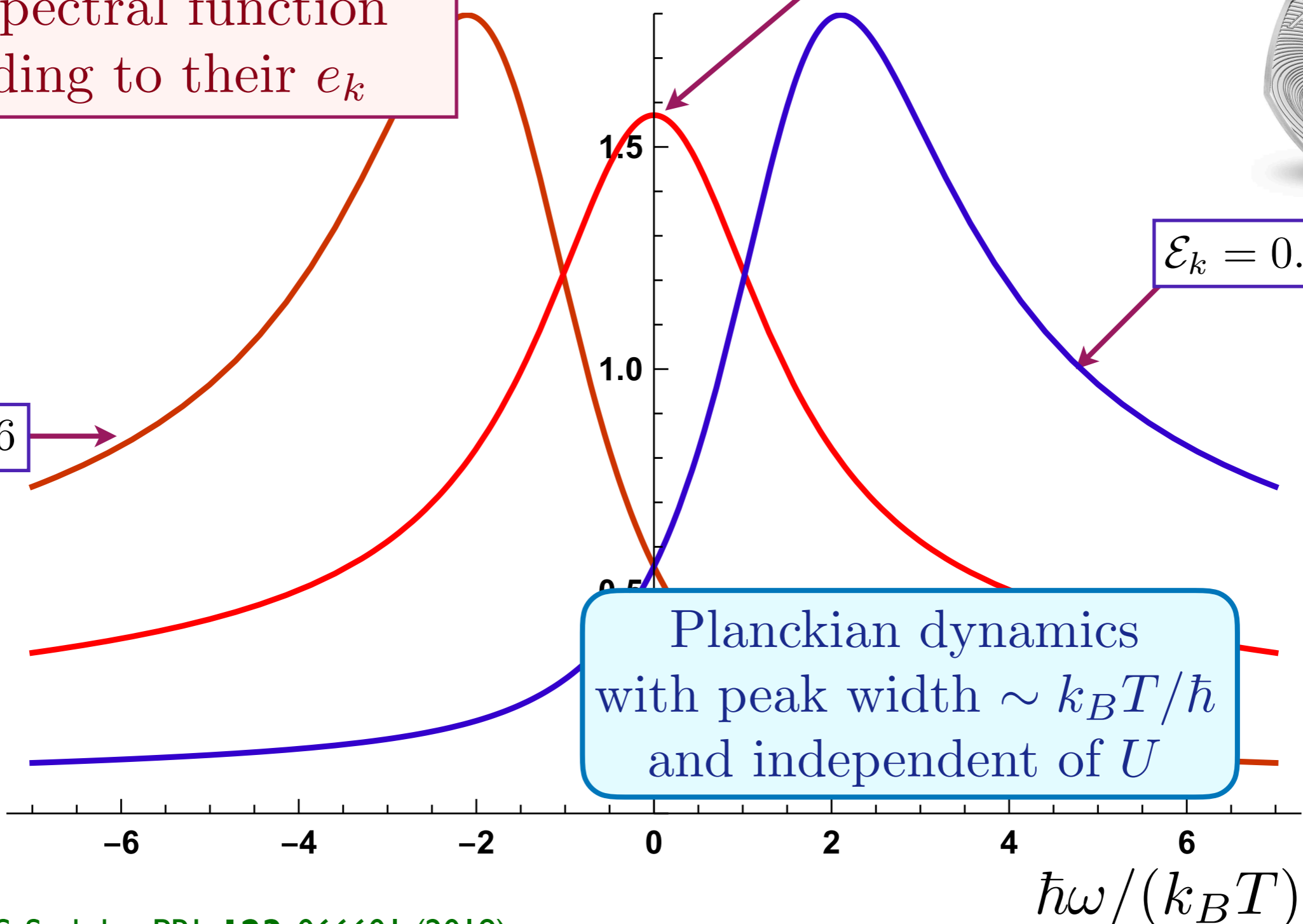
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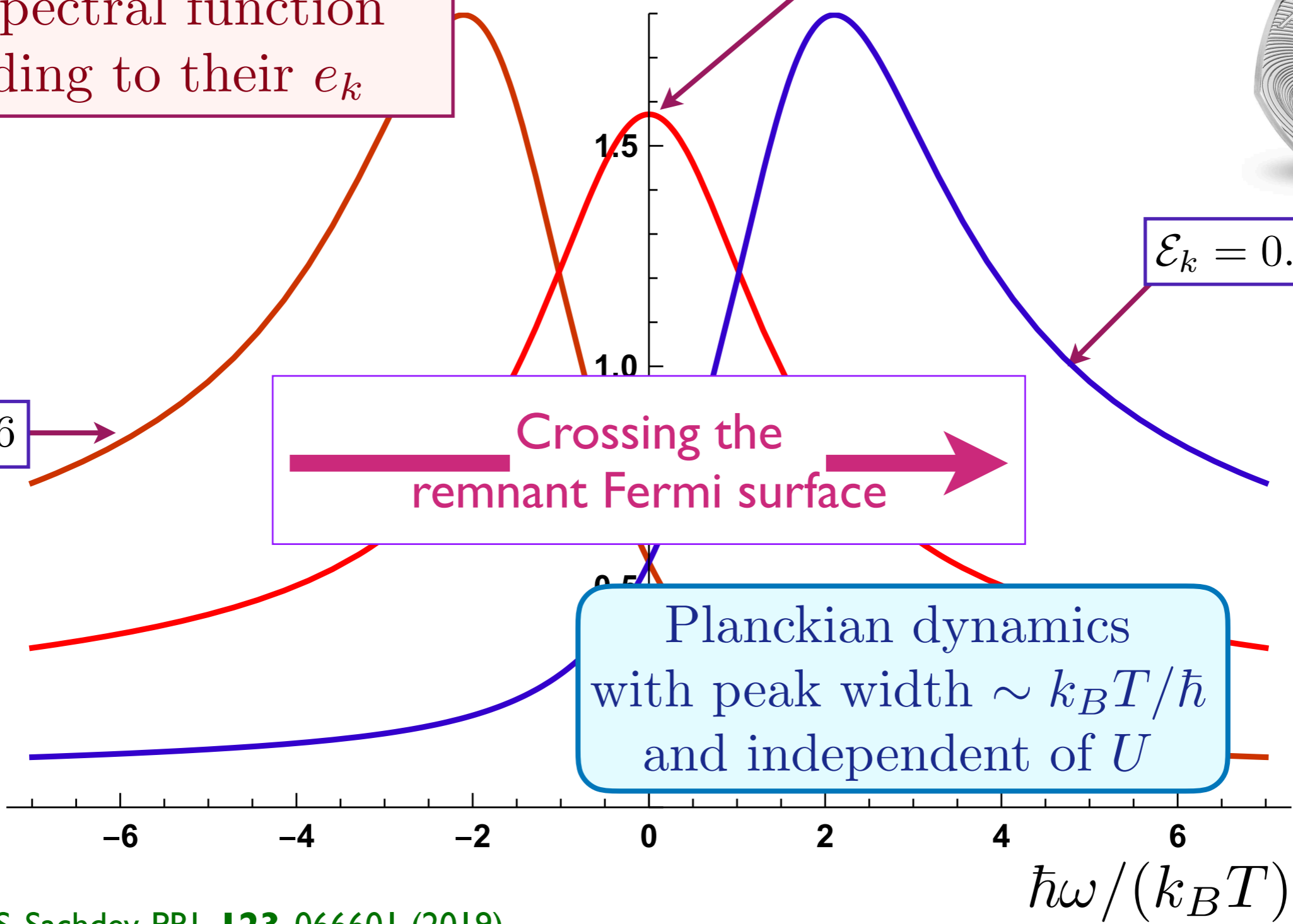
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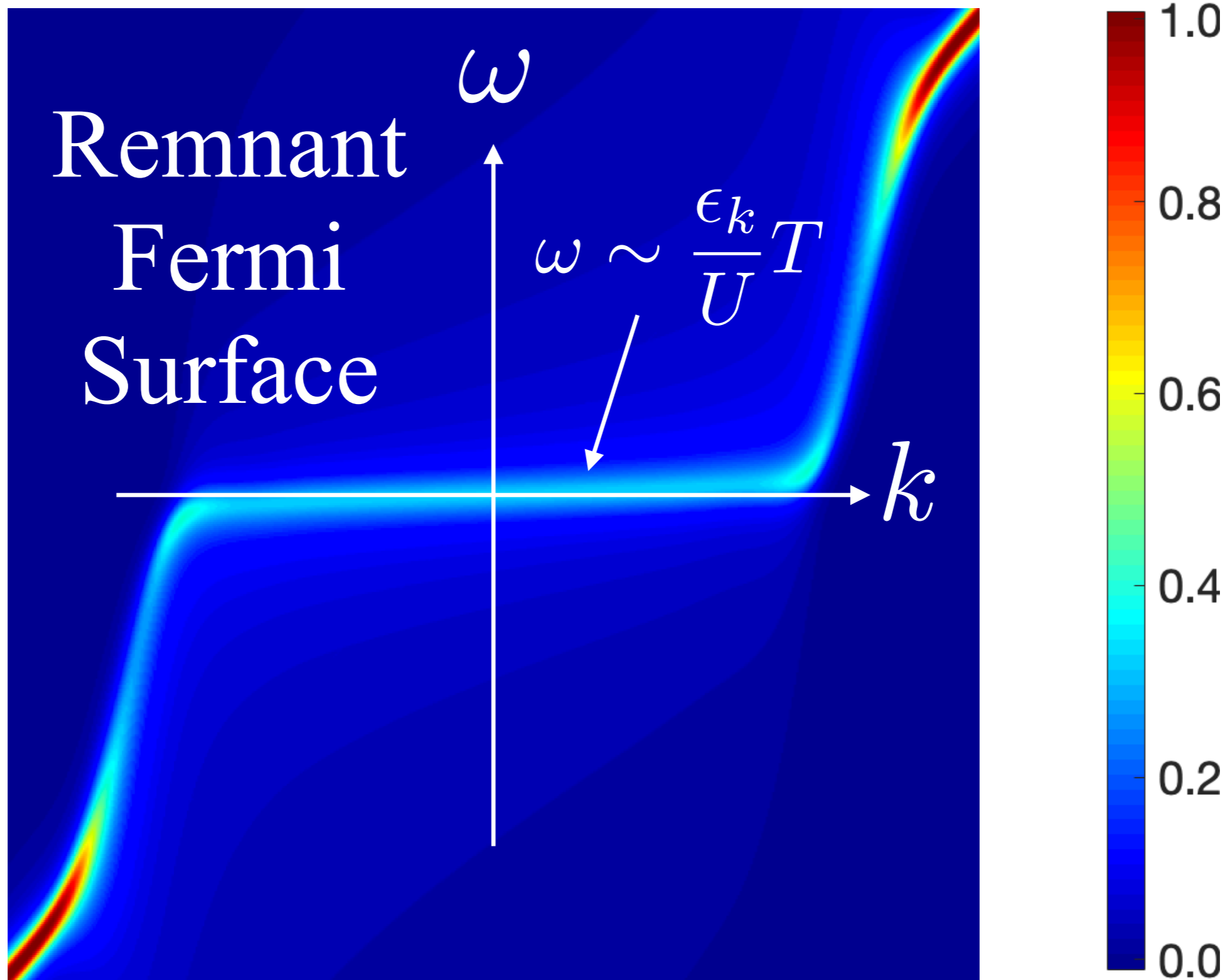
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Crossing the remnant Fermi surface

Planckian dynamics with peak width  $\sim k_B T / \hbar$  and independent of  $U$





# Flat band metal

For a dispersionless SYK model

$$\langle c_\alpha(\tau) c_\alpha^\dagger(0) \rangle \sim e^{-(e/U)2\pi\mathbb{C}T\tau} \times \left( \frac{T/U}{\sin(\pi T\tau)} \right)^{1/2}$$

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At  $e_k = 0$  we have a ‘remnant Fermi surface’ with a particle-hole symmetric spectral function.

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No free parameters—everything is determined by the (underlying) quasiparticle dispersion  $e_k$ , and the interaction strength  $U$ .

## Resistivity of a [Planckian metal](#) as $T \rightarrow 0$

From the Kubo formula,

$$\sigma = \frac{e^2 m^* v_F^2}{2T} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{de}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\omega}{4\pi} \left[ \text{Im} G_{\text{SYK}}^R \left( e, \frac{\omega}{T} \right) \right]^2 \text{sech}^2 \left( \frac{\omega}{2T} \right)$$

where the Fermi surface is defined by  $e_k = 0$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_F = \nabla_{\mathbf{k}} e_k$  on the Fermi surface, and

$$m^* = \frac{d V_{FS}}{\oint_{FS} |\mathbf{v}_F|},$$

with  $d$  the spatial dimensionality, and  $V_{FS}$  is the volume enclosed by the Fermi surface. For a circular Fermi surface, this is the usual  $m^*$ .

Evaluating the integrals, we find

$$\rho = \frac{m^*}{ne^2} 2.71\mathbb{C} \frac{k_B T}{\hbar}, \quad \text{using } \mathcal{E} = \mathbb{C}e/U,$$

where  $n = V_{FS}/(2\pi)^d$  is the density.

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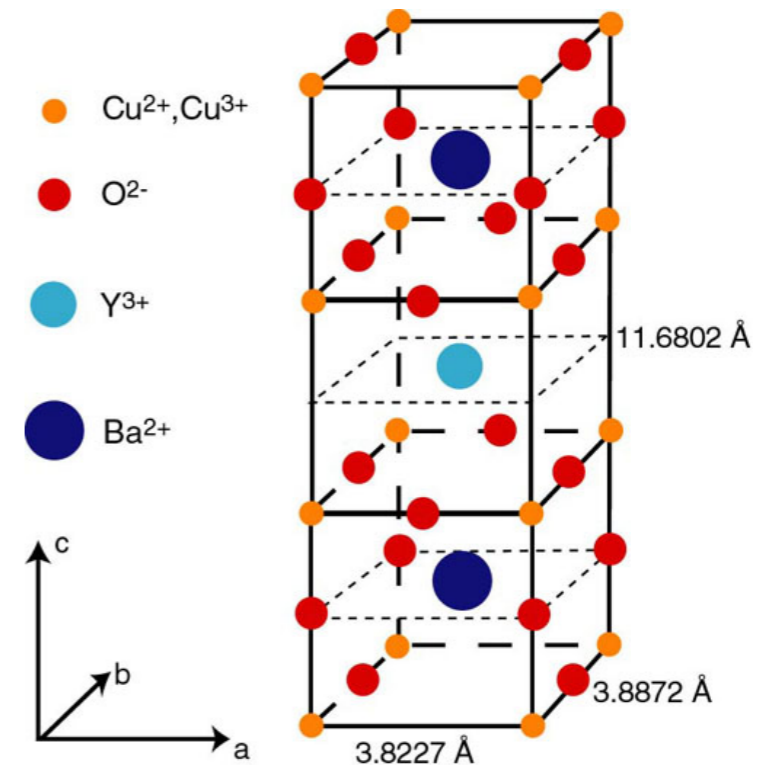
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Note that all explicit dependence on  $U$  has cancelled out!

Choosing  $\mathbb{C} = 0.41$  as in the SYK model, we have the prefactor  $2.71\mathbb{C} = 1.11$ .



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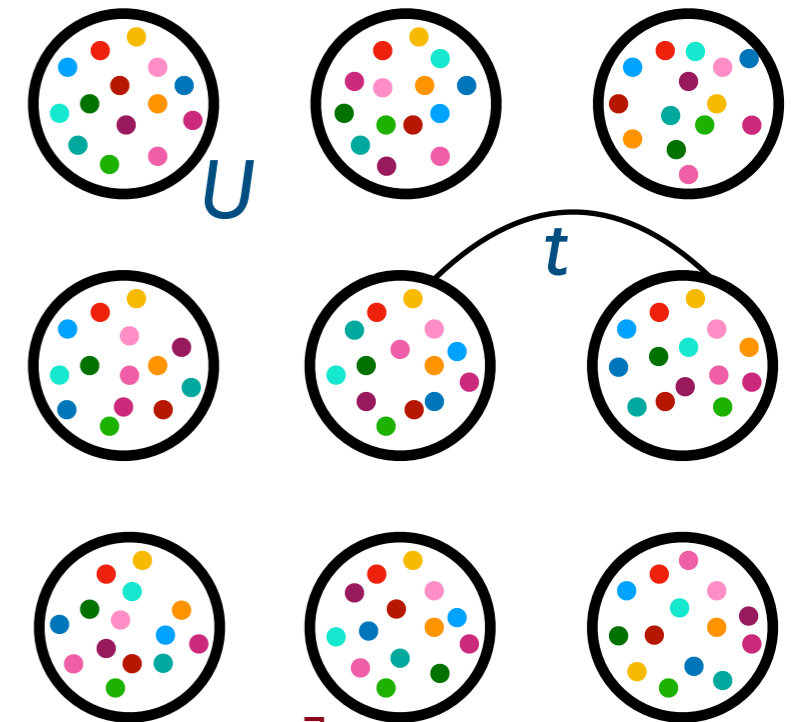
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# A lattice SYK model

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$U_{\alpha\beta;\gamma\delta}(k_a)$  is a random function of  $\alpha\beta\gamma\delta$   
 $e_k$  has a bandwidth  $W$ .

- Disordered Fermi liquid for  $T < W^2/U$  with resistivity  $\sim T^2$ .
- Incoherent, bad metal for  $W^2/U < T < U$  with linear-in- $T$  resistivity  $\sim (h/e^2)(T/(W^2/U))$ .



$$\overline{U(k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4)U^*(k_5, k_6, k_7, k_8)} = U^2 \left[ \delta(k_1 + k_2 - k_3 - k_4 - k_5 - k_6 + k_7 + k_8) \right]$$

Xue-Yang Song, Chao-Ming Jian, and L. Balents, PRL **119**, 216601 (2017); Pengfei Zhang, PRB **96**, 205138 (2017); Debanjan Chowdhury, Yochai Werman, Erez Berg, T. Senthil, PRX **8**, 031024 (2018); Aavishkar A. Patel, John McGreevy, Daniel P. Arovas, Subir Sachdev, PRX **8**, 021049 (2018)

See also Antoine Georges and Olivier Parcollet PRB **59**, 5341 (1999); Yingfei Gu, Xiao-Liang Qi, D. Stanford, JHEP (2017) 125

# Resonant SYK model

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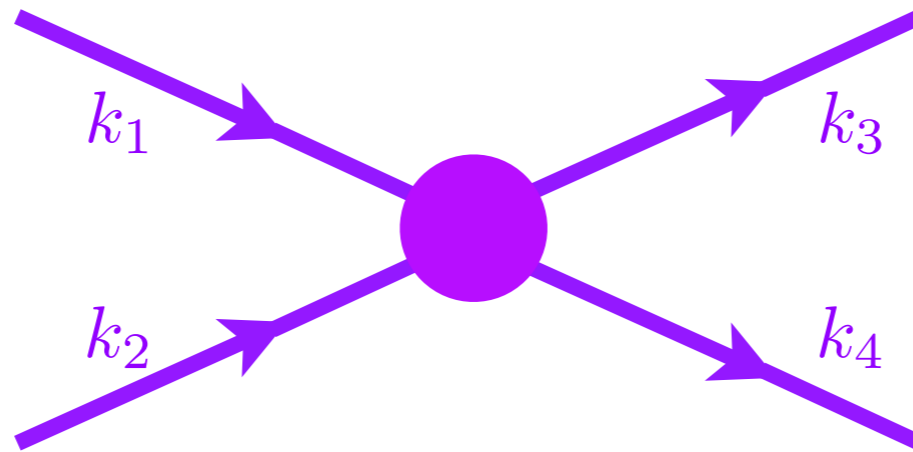
We examine a model with weaker  $W \lesssim U$ , but impose a **resonance condition**.

This leads to a solution which obeys the Planckian ansatz as  $T \rightarrow 0$ .

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This implies off-site interactions with correlations which decay with a power-law in space.

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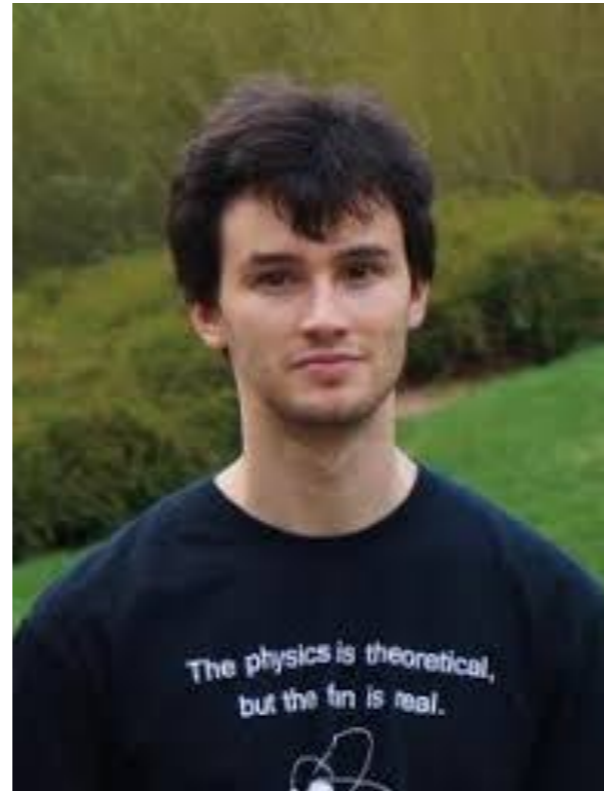


Interactions with  $e_{k_1} + e_{k_2} \neq e_{k_3} + e_{k_4}$  are non-resonant: we “integrate these out” in a RG procedure, and assume that their main effect is a renormalization of the quasiparticle dispersion  $e_k$ , which we have already accounted for.

Keep only the interactions resonant in the bare quasiparticle energy with  $e_{k_1} + e_{k_2} = e_{k_3} + e_{k_4}$  and account for them with a self-consistent SYK-like analysis.



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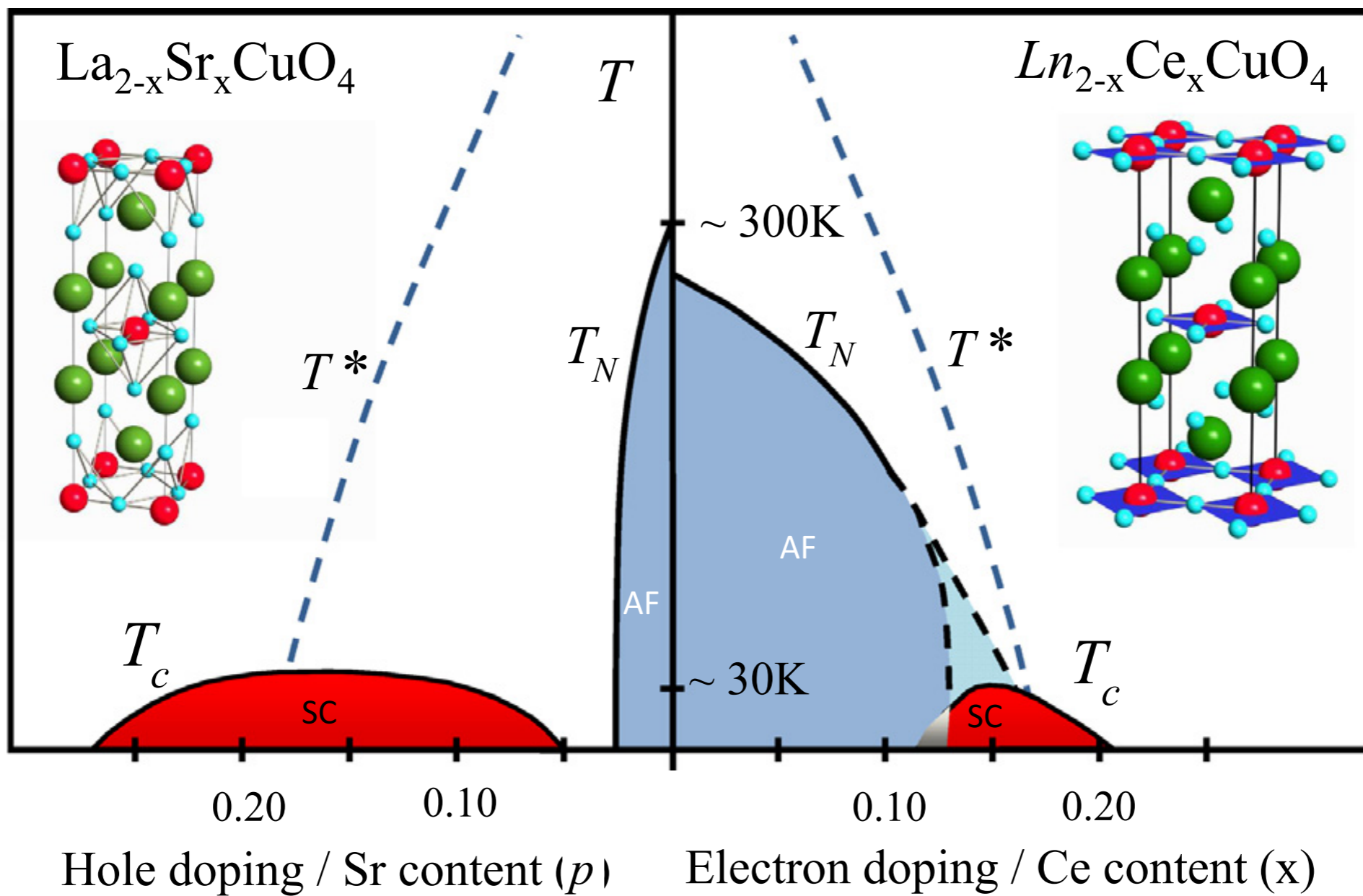


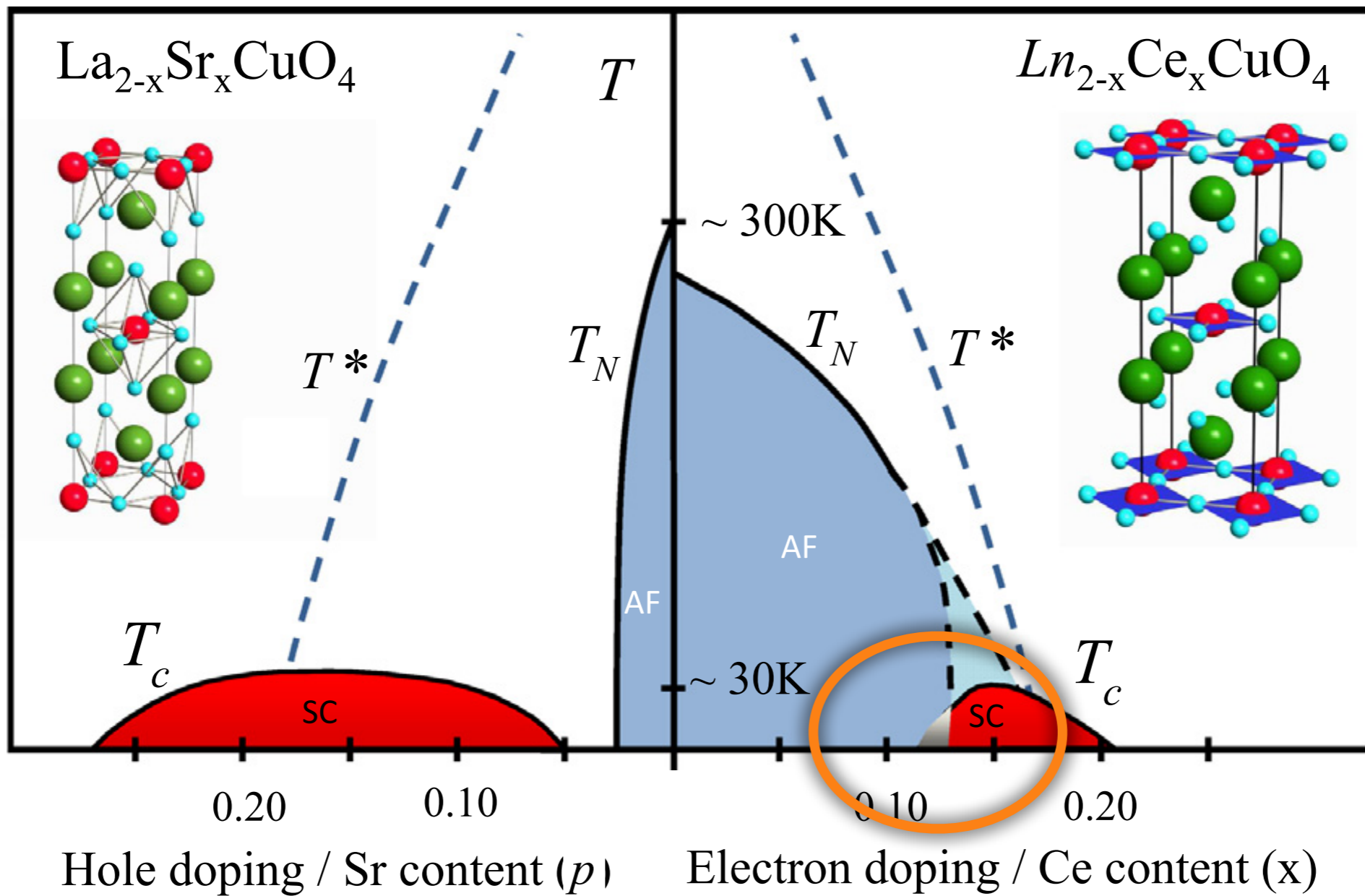
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# Gauge theory for the cuprates near optimal doping

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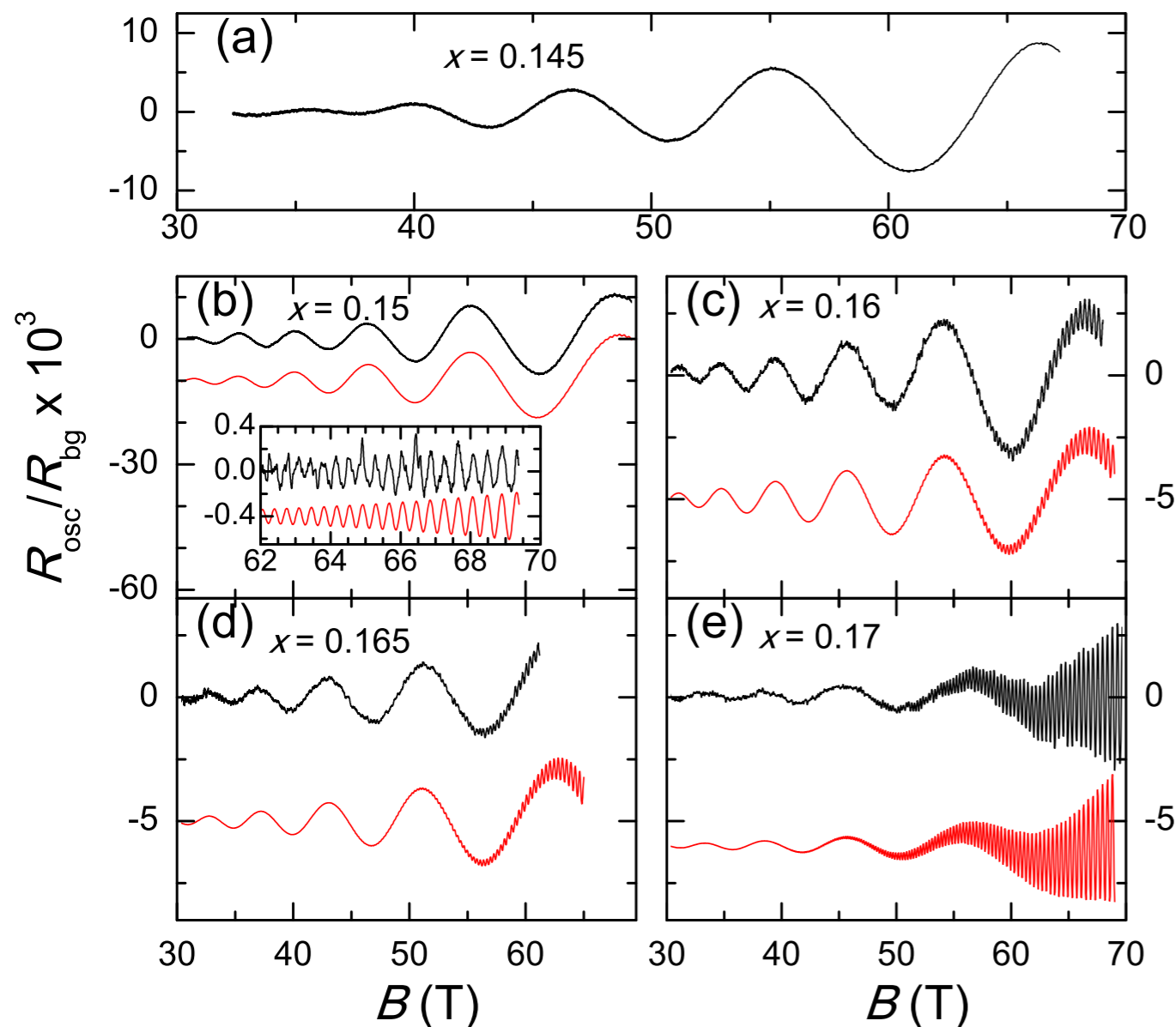




# Correlation between Fermi surface transformations and superconductivity in the electron-doped high- $T_c$ superconductor $\text{Nd}_{2-x}\text{Ce}_x\text{CuO}_4$

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- Quantum oscillations show the presence of small hole pockets up to a doping  $x = 0.175$



Although antiferromagnetic order disappears near  $x = 0.14$ , perhaps there is field-induced antiferromagnetic order up to  $x = 0.175$  ?

# Fermi surface reconstruction in electron-doped cuprates without antiferromagnetic long-range order

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We can (exactly) transform the Hubbard model to the “spin-fermion” model:

**electrons**  $c_{i\alpha}$  on the square lattice with dispersion

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H}_c &= - \sum_{i,\rho} t_\rho \left( c_{i,\alpha}^\dagger c_{i+\mathbf{v}_\rho,\alpha} + c_{i+\mathbf{v}_\rho,\alpha}^\dagger c_{i,\alpha} \right) \\ &\quad - \mu \sum_i c_{i,\alpha}^\dagger c_{i,\alpha} + \mathcal{H}_{\text{int}}\end{aligned}$$

are coupled to a magnetic moment order parameter  $\Phi^a(i)$ ,  $a = x, y, z$

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{int}} = -\lambda \sum_i \Phi^a(i) c_{i,\alpha}^\dagger \sigma_{\alpha\beta}^a c_{i,\beta} + V(\Phi^a)$$

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# Transforming to a rotating reference frame

For fluctuating antiferromagnetism (spin density waves (SDW)), we transform to a **rotating reference frame** using the SU(2) rotation  $R_i$

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_{i\uparrow} \\ c_{i\downarrow} \end{pmatrix} = R_i \begin{pmatrix} \psi_{i,+} \\ \psi_{i,-} \end{pmatrix},$$

in terms of fermionic “chargons”  $\psi_s$  and a **Higgs field**  $H^a(i)$

$$\sigma^a \Phi^a(i) = R_i \sigma^a H^a(i) R_i^\dagger$$

The Higgs field is the SDW order in the rotating reference frame.

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Note that the transformation to a rotating reference frame is ambiguous up to a  **$SU(2)$  gauge transformation**,  $V_i$

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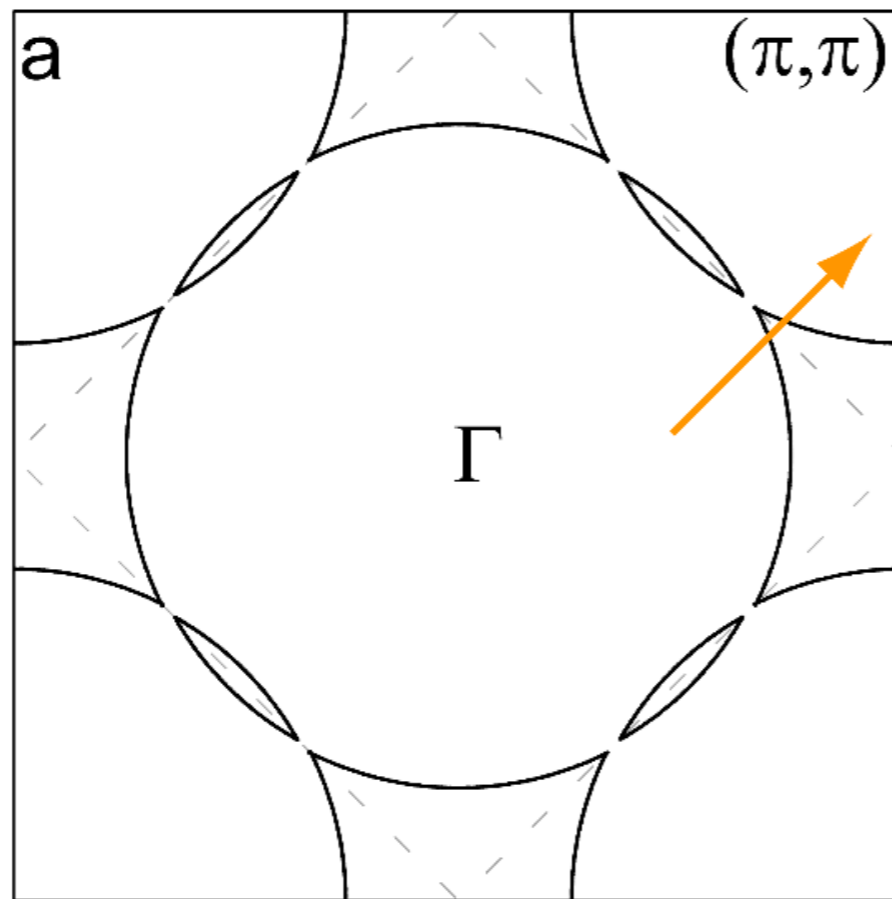
**IF** we can transform to a rotating reference frame in which  $H^a(i) =$  a constant independent of  $i$  and time, **THEN** the  $\psi$  fermions in the presence of (fluctuating) SDW SRO will inherit the small Fermi surfaces of the electrons in the presence of SDW LRO.

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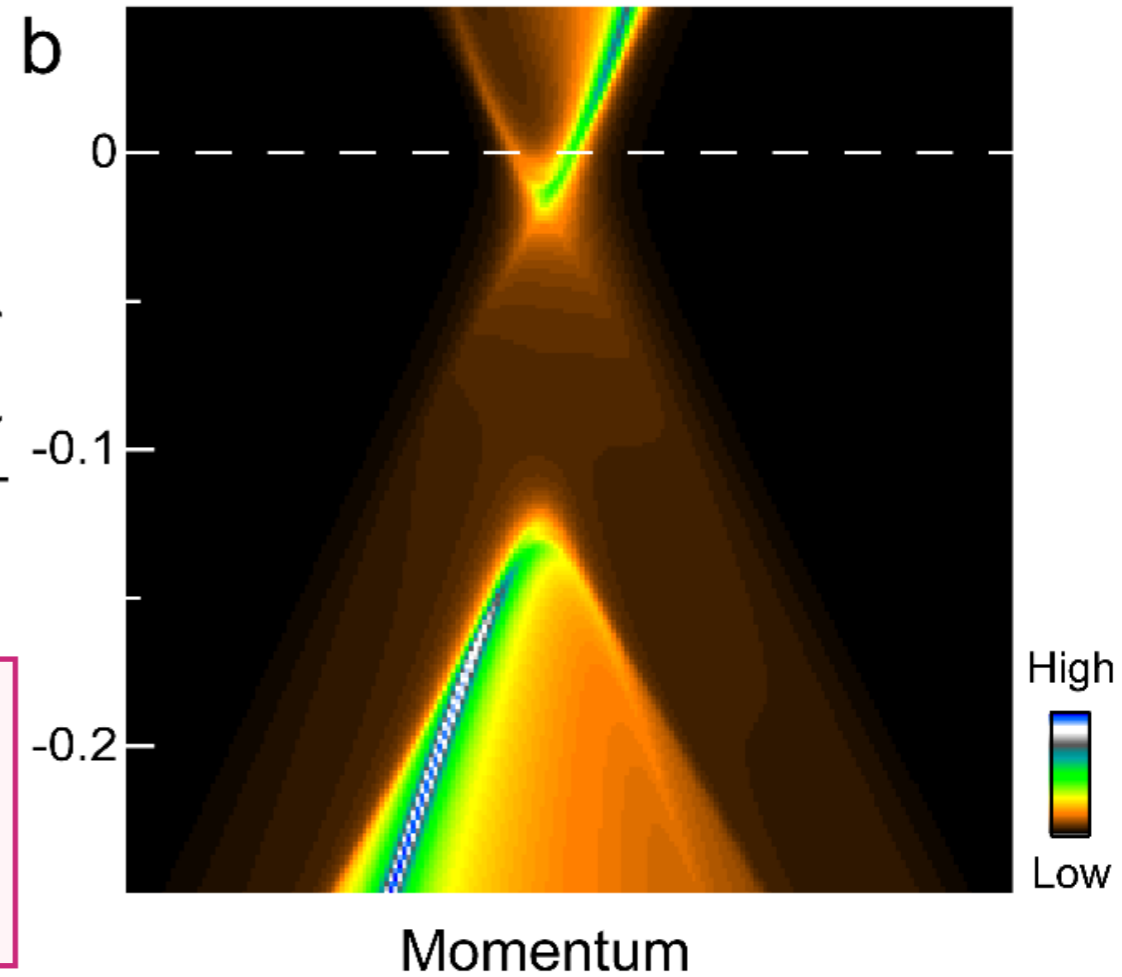
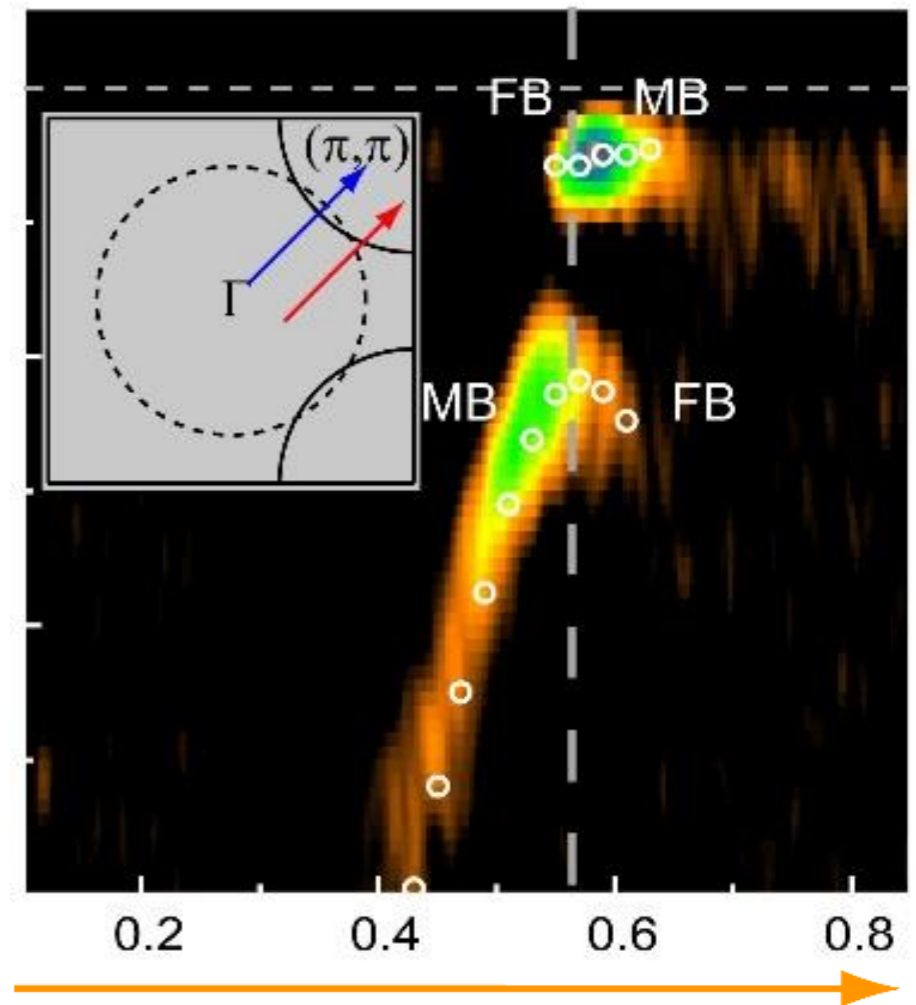


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$SU(2)$  gauge theory for  $FL^*$ : Assume the  $\Psi$  and  $R$  form an electron-like bound state, and develop an effective theory for the Higgs fields and the electrons to describe also the crossover/transition to the Fermi liquid state on the overdoped side.

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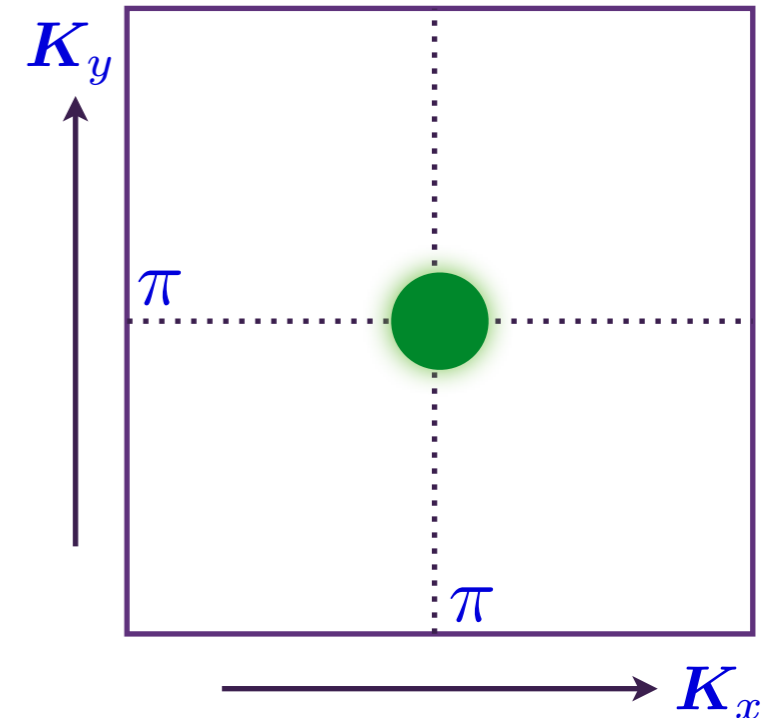
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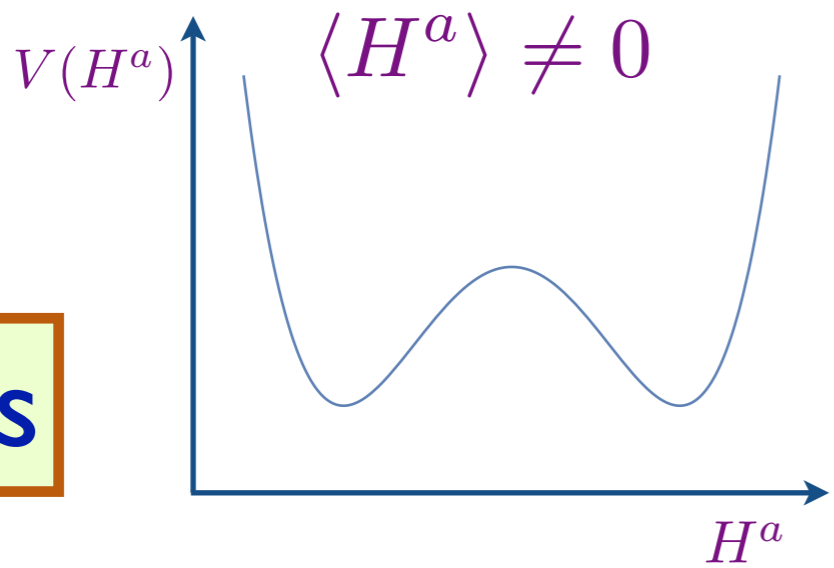
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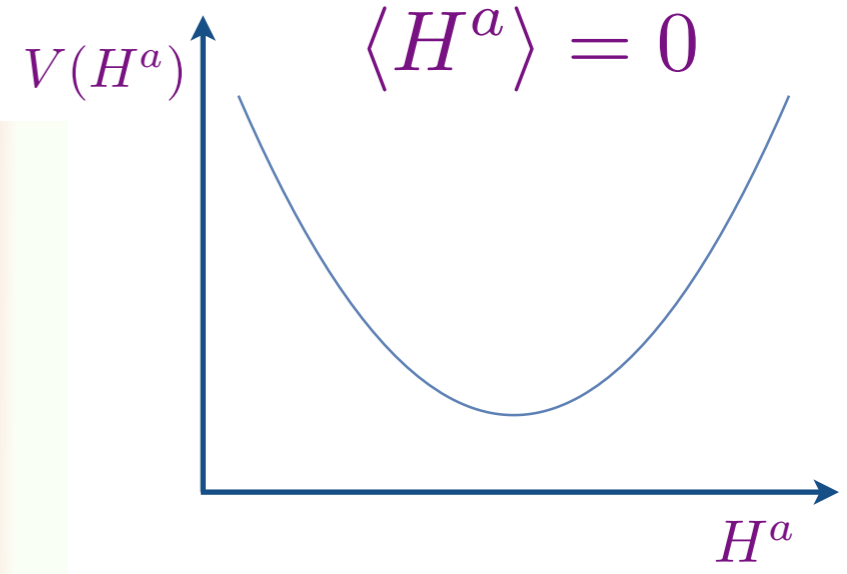
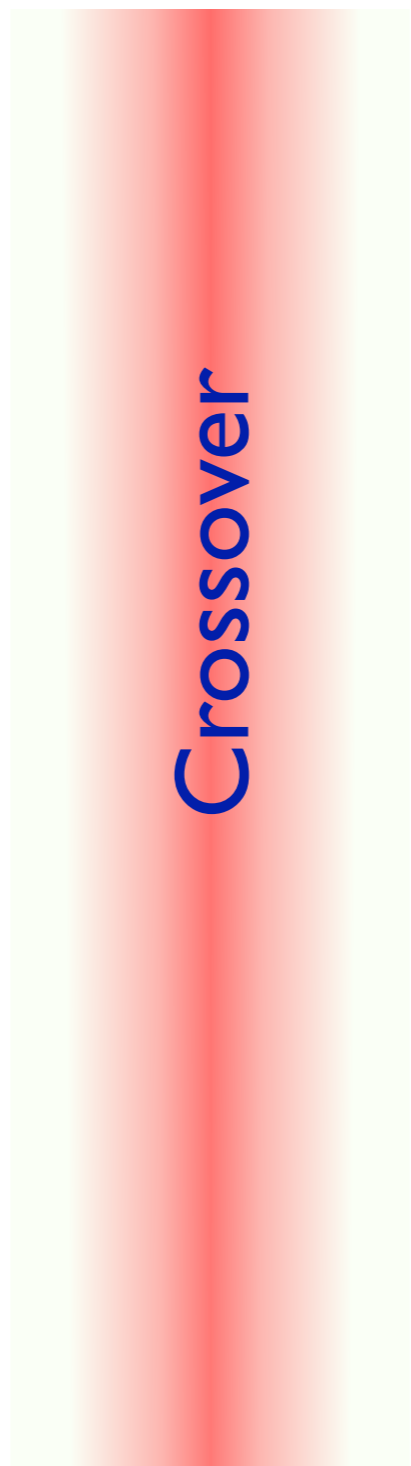
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# Phase diagrams of SU(2) gauge theory

Higgs



- Condensation of  $H^a$  breaks SU(2) to U(1)
- U(1) confines because of proliferation of 'tHooft-Polyakov monopoles
- Monopole action  $\sim \sqrt{-s}$ , leading to an exponentially large confinement scale



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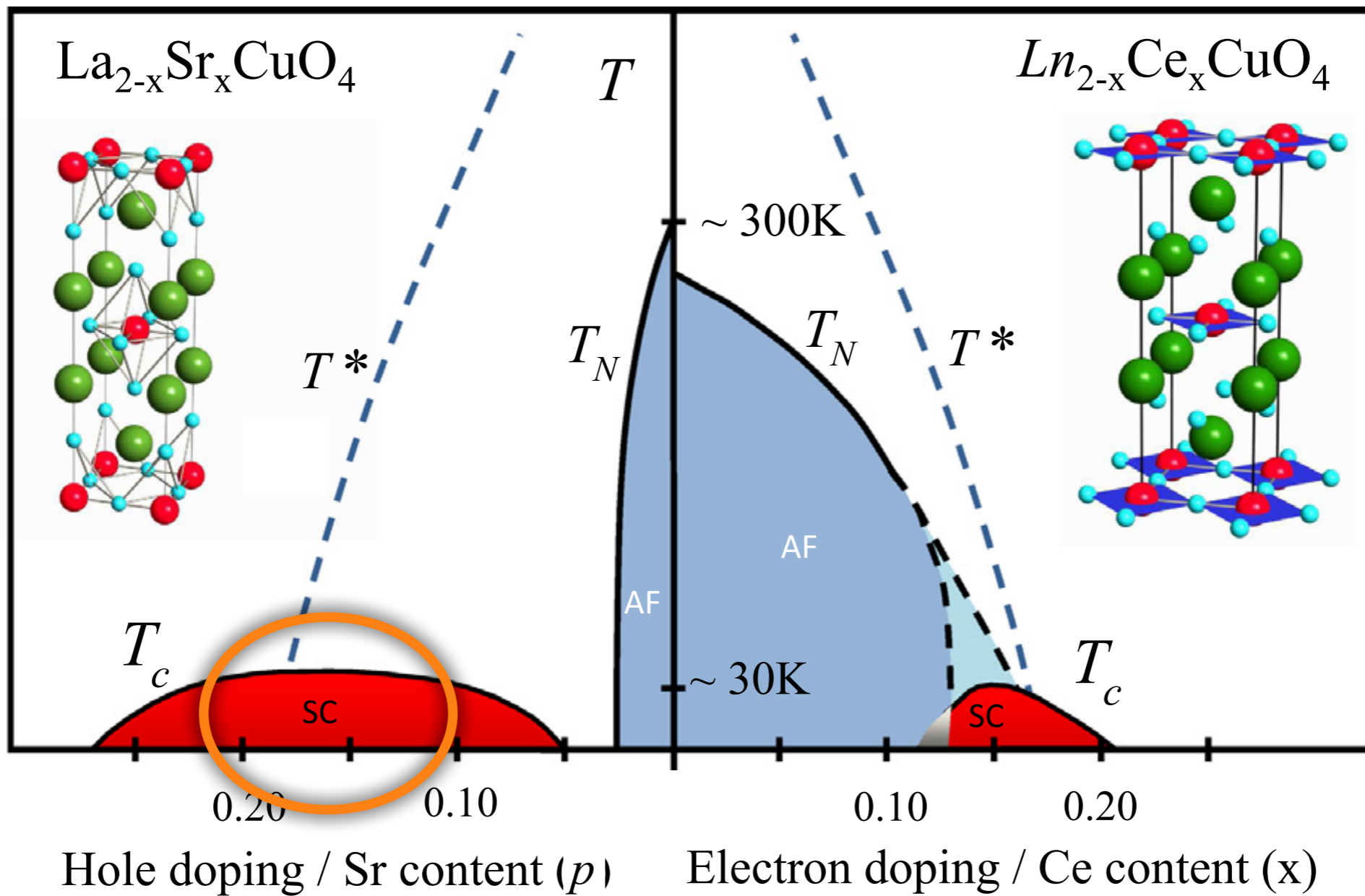
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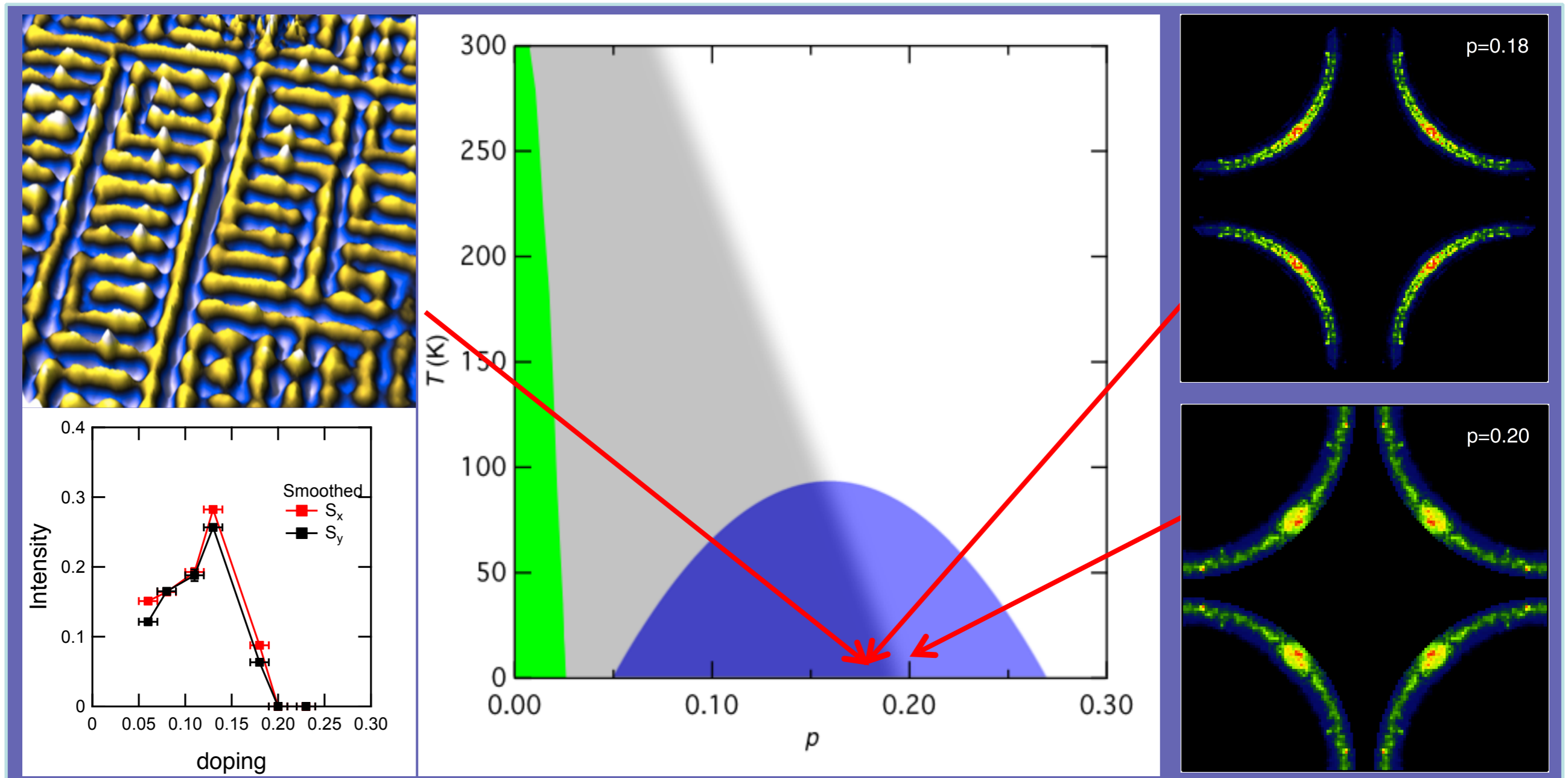
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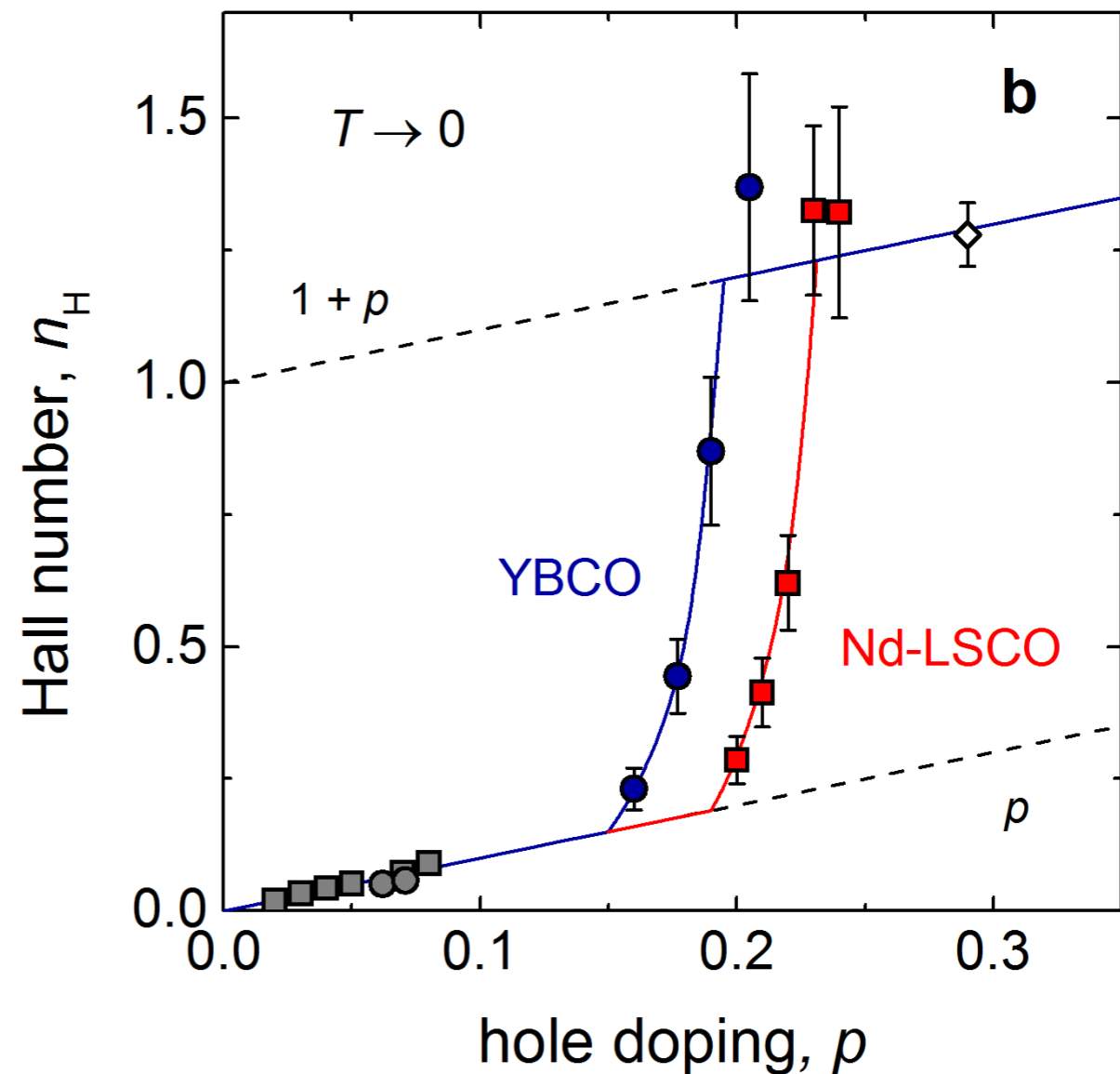
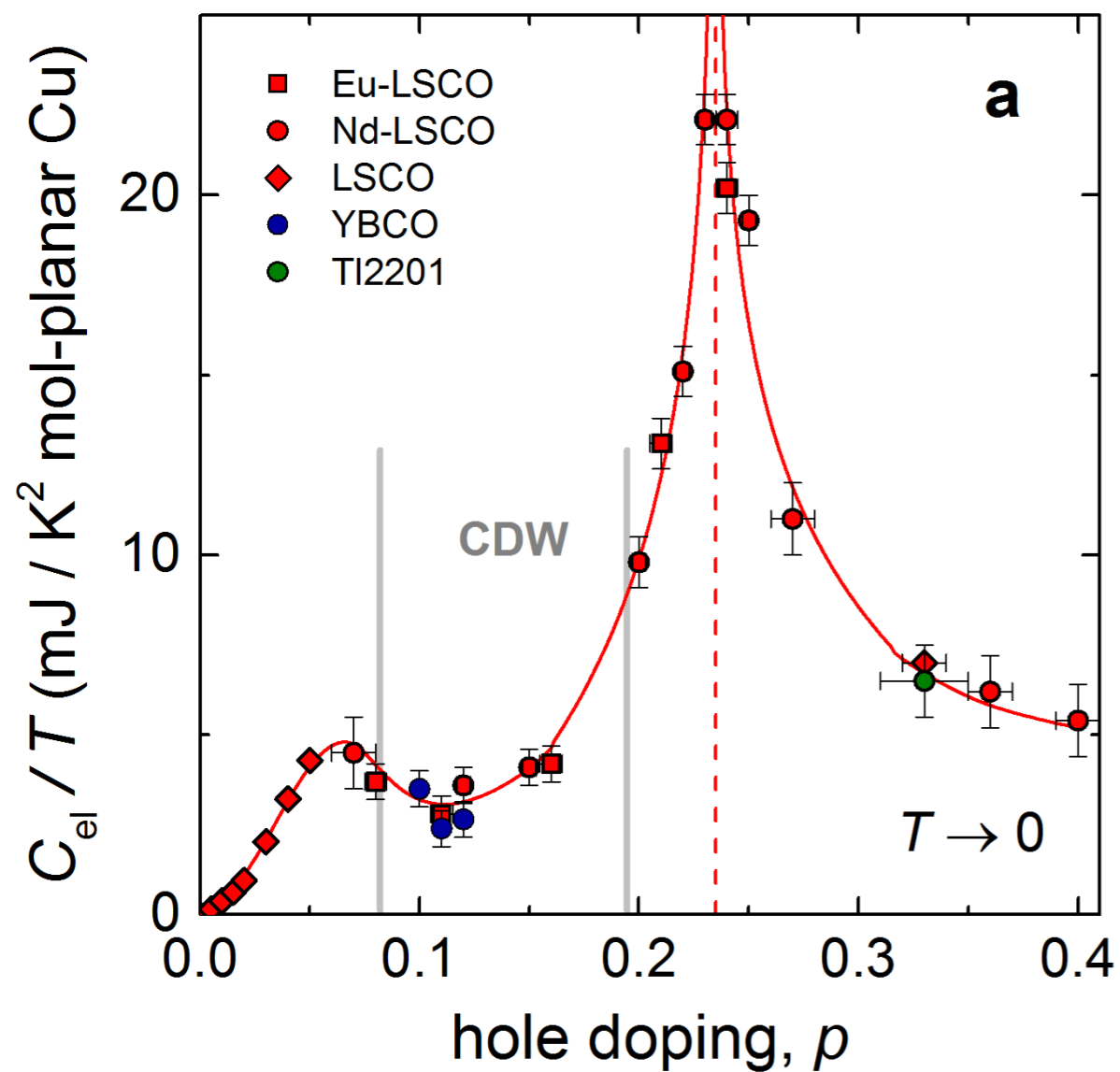
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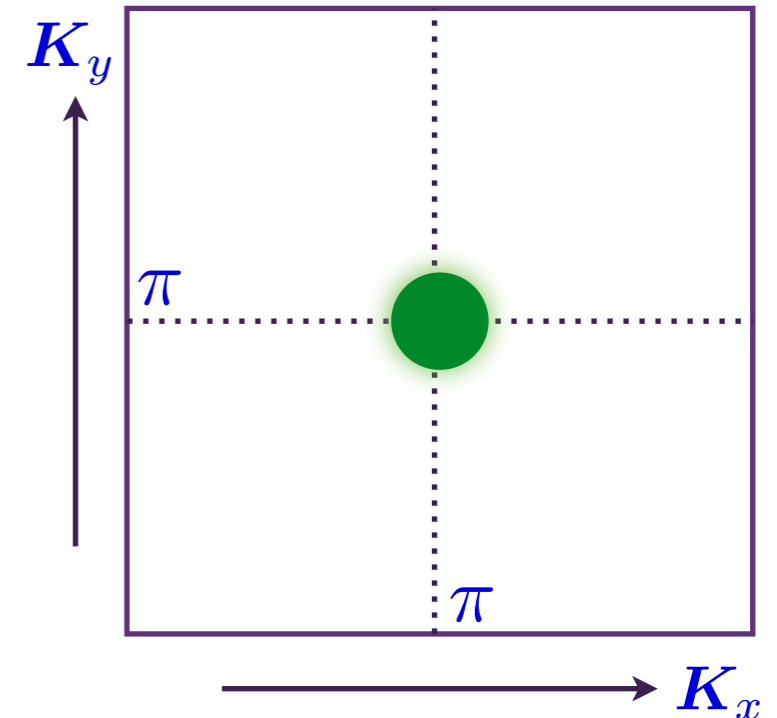
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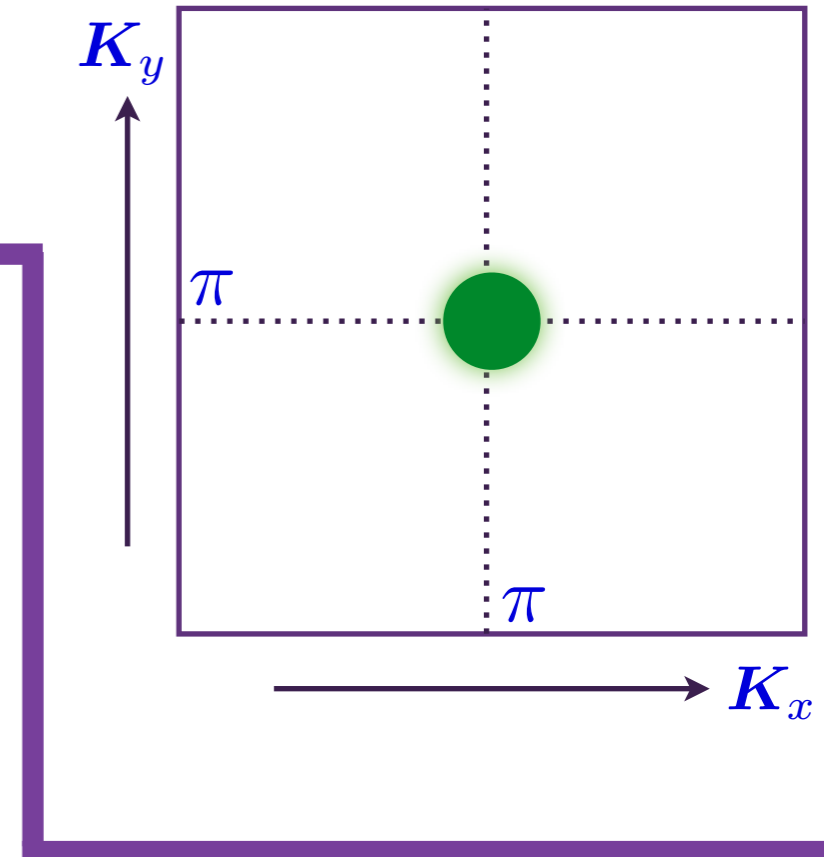
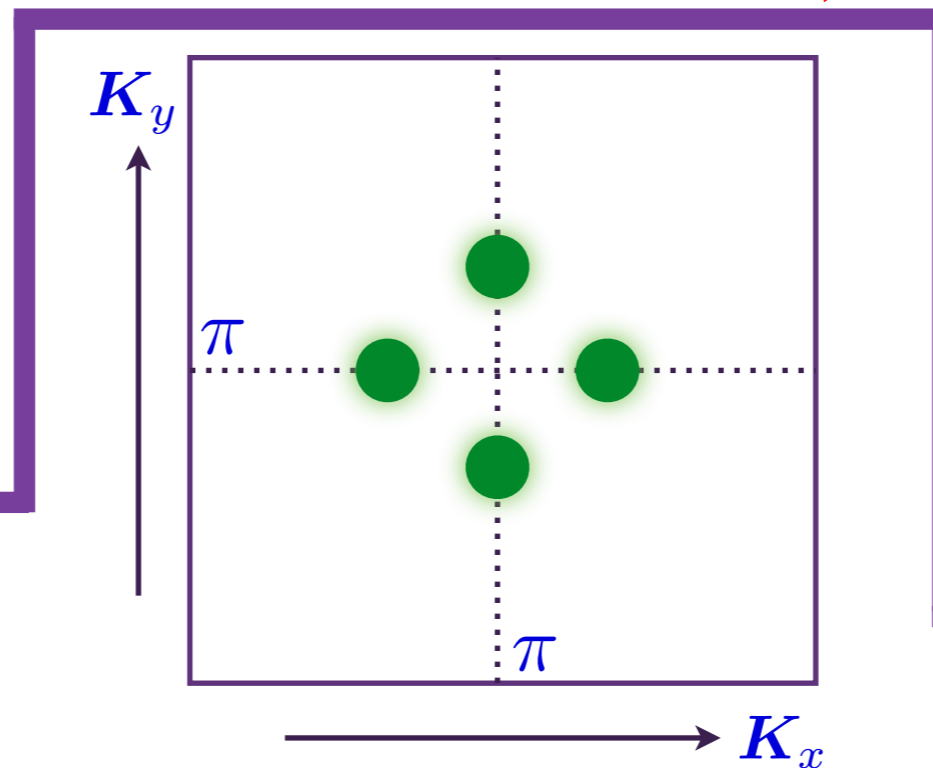
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Bidirectional incommensurate correlations (hole doped cuprates):

$$N_h = 4,$$

$$\mathbf{K}_y = (\pi, \pi - \delta), \quad \mathbf{K}_x = (\pi - \delta, \pi),$$

$$H^a(i) = \text{Re} \left\{ [H_1^a(\mathbf{r}) + iH_2^a(\mathbf{r})] e^{i\mathbf{K}_x \cdot \mathbf{r}_i} + [H_3^a(\mathbf{r}) + iH_4^a(\mathbf{r})] e^{i\mathbf{K}_y \cdot \mathbf{r}_i} \right\}$$

# Optimal doping for hole-doped cuprates

## SU(2) gauge theory

For the hole-doped cuprates,  $N_h = 4$ , we define complex Higgs fields

$$\mathcal{H}_x^a = H_1^a + iH_2^a \quad , \quad \mathcal{H}_y^a = H_3^a + iH_4^a .$$

The SU(2) gauge theory is

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There are multiple gauge-invariant order parameters for broken symmetries  
(Note: there is no SDW order in the Higgs phase)

- Ising nematic order

$$\phi = \mathcal{H}_x^{a*} \mathcal{H}_x^a - \mathcal{H}_y^{a*} \mathcal{H}_y^a$$

- Charge density wave (CDW) order at wavevectors  $2\mathbf{K}_{x,y}$

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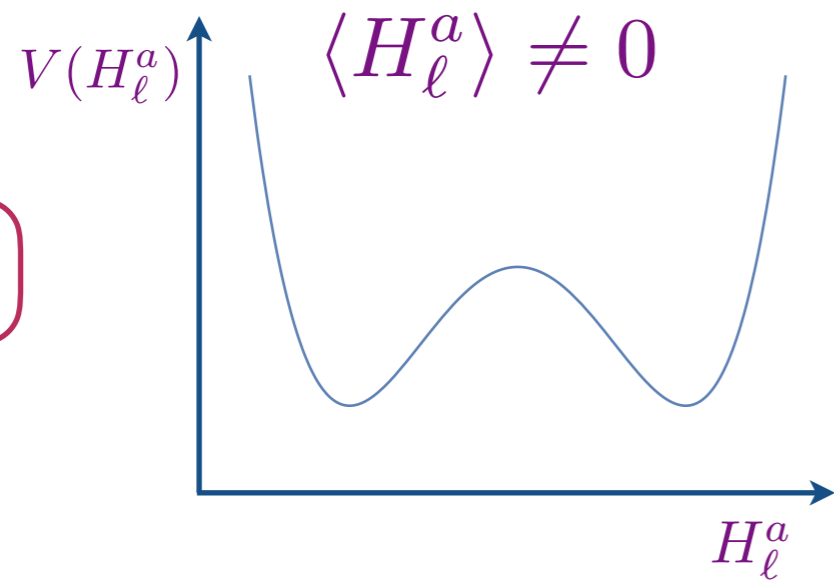
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- (Modulated) scalar spin chirality

$$\chi_{ijk} = \epsilon_{abc} H^a(\mathbf{r}_i) H^b(\mathbf{r}_j) H^c(\mathbf{r}_k)$$

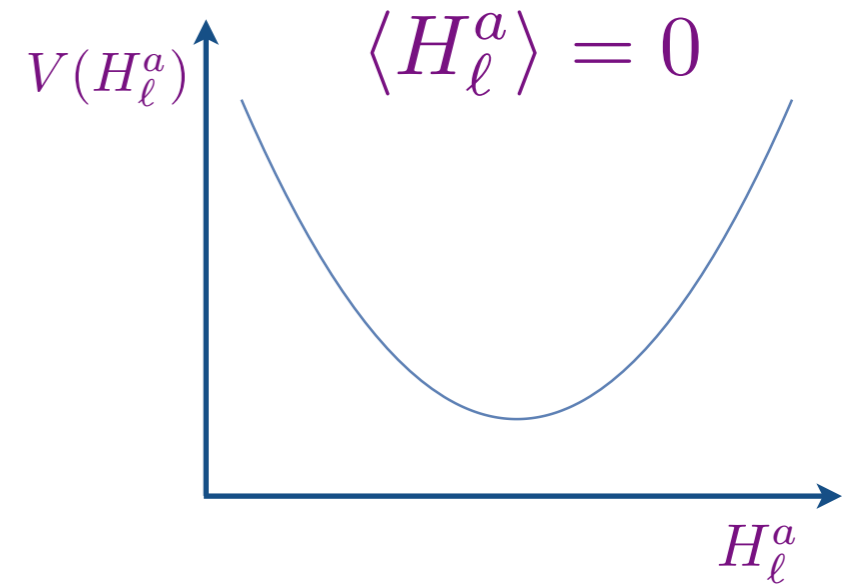
# Phase diagram of SU(2) gauge theory for hole-doped cuprates



**Higgs**  
U(1) confinement  
or  $Z_2$  deconfined

One or more of Ising-nematic, CDW, scalar spin chirality, and  $Z_2$  topological orders

Reconstructed (FL\*) Fermi surfaces, with large length scale confinement in the U(1) cases



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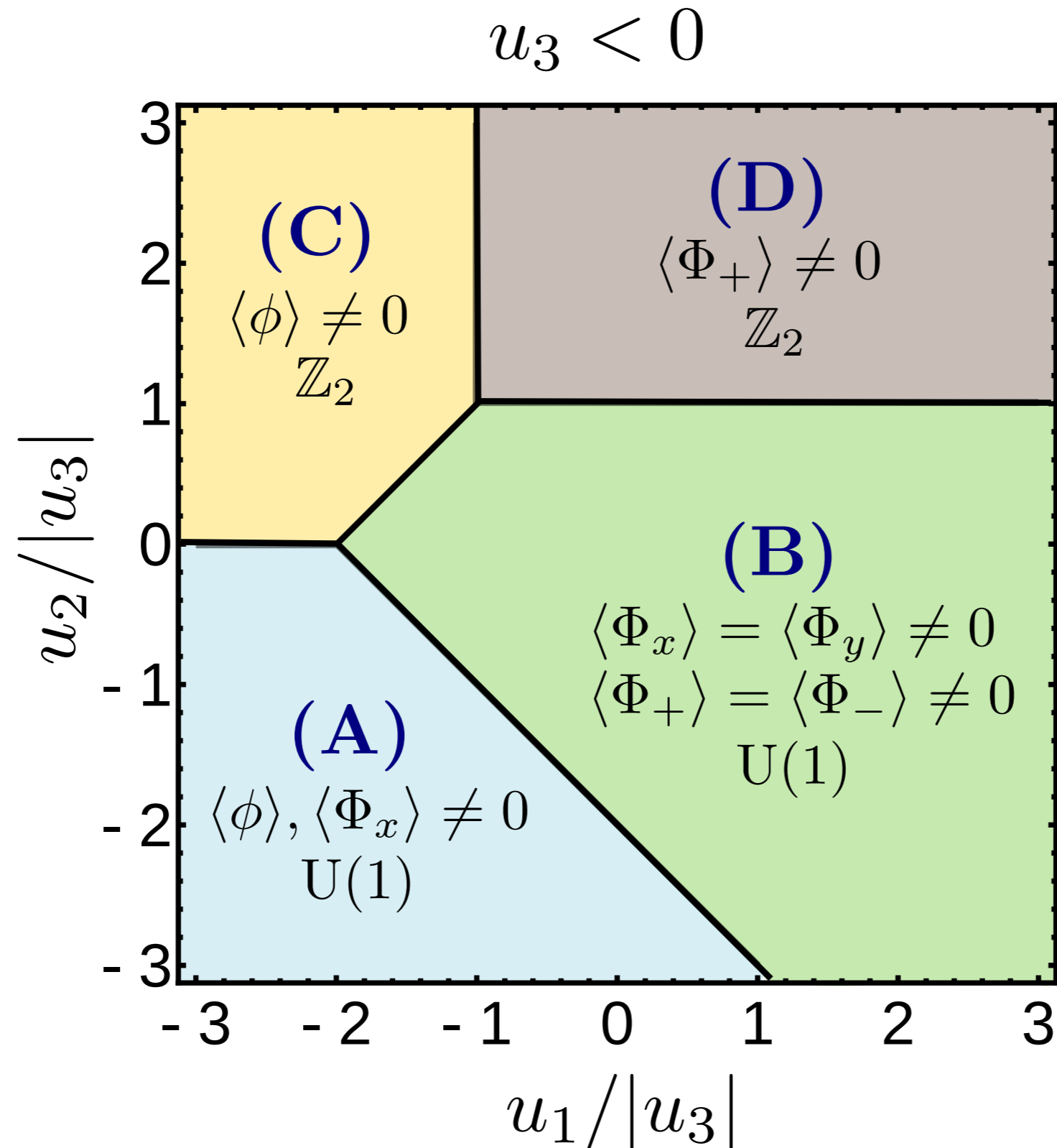
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Fermi liquid with large Fermi surface

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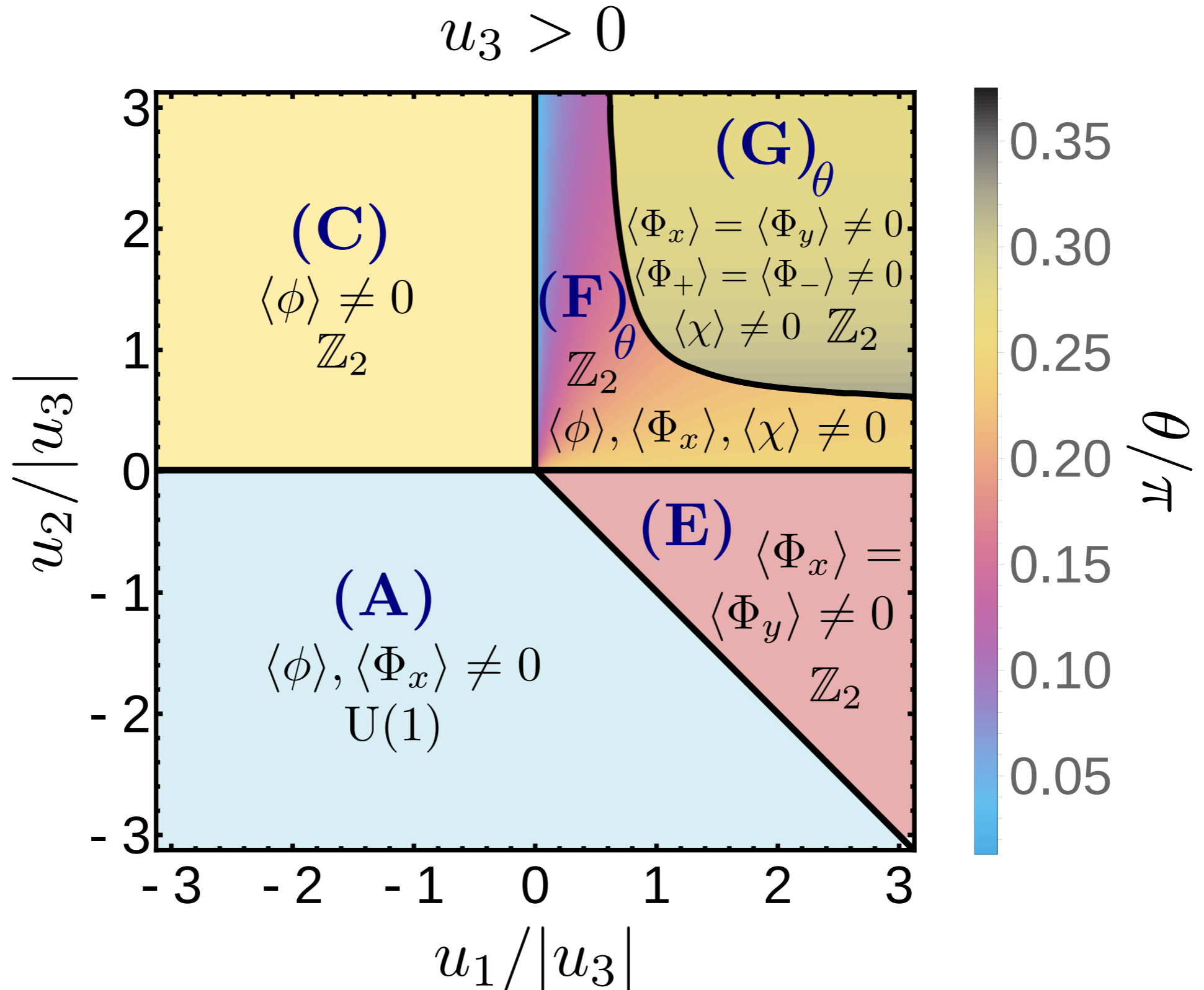
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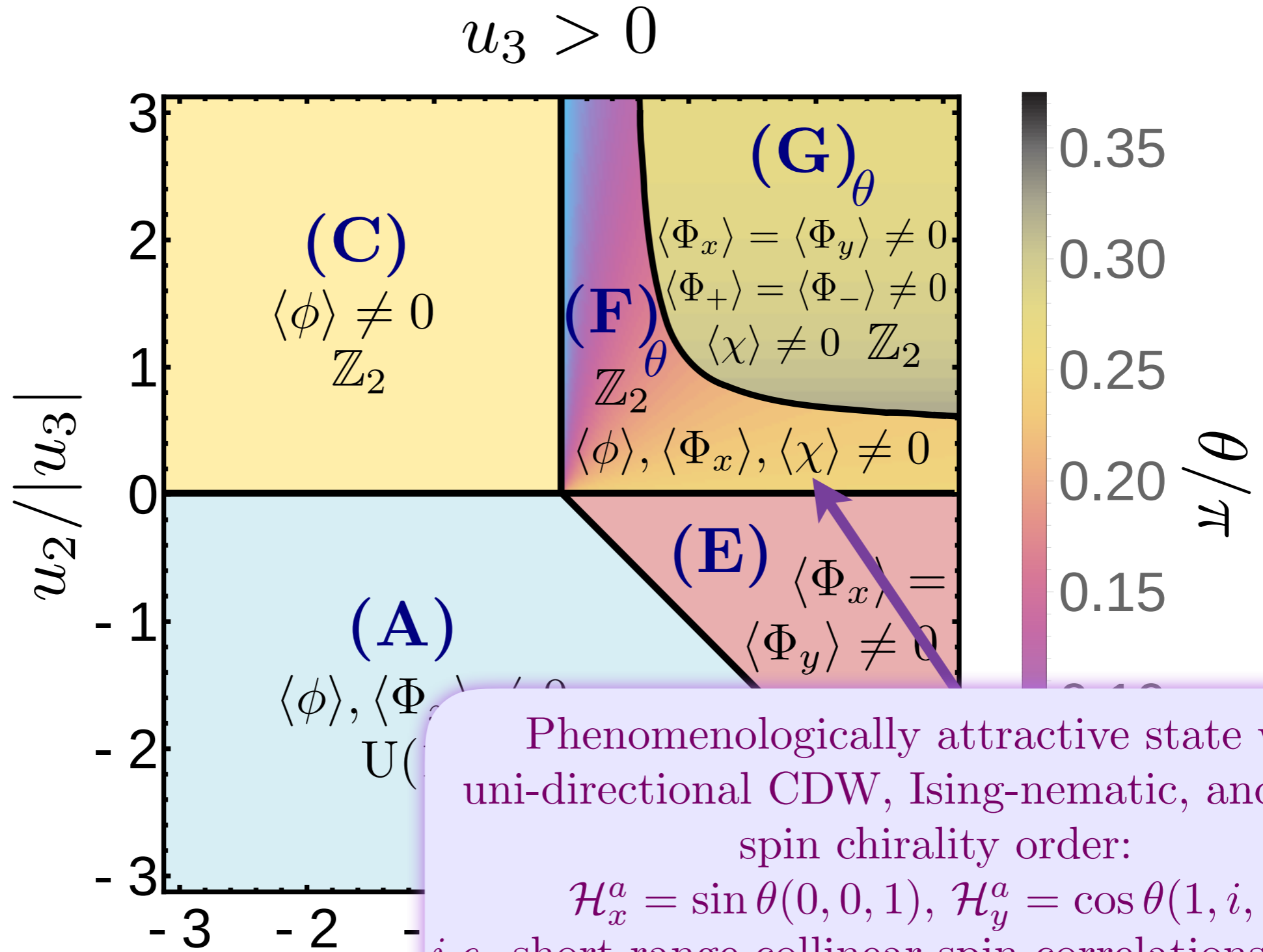
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Phenomenologically attractive state with uni-directional CDW, Ising-nematic, and scalar spin chirality order:

$$\mathcal{H}_x^a = \sin \theta(0, 0, 1), \quad \mathcal{H}_y^a = \cos \theta(1, i, 0)$$

*i.e.* short-range collinear spin correlations along  $x$ , and short-range spiral spin correlations along  $y$ .

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3. Bilocal quantum criticality

The path integral for the SYK model is a **bilocal field theory**

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int \mathcal{D}G(\tau_1, \tau_1) \mathcal{D}\Sigma(\tau_1, \tau_2) e^{-NS[G, \Sigma]}$$

for a known action  $S[G, \Sigma]$ . The saddle point,  $G_s(\tau_1 - \tau_2)$ ,  $\Sigma_s(\tau_1 - \tau_2)$ , depends only on time differences, and obeys Planckian  $\omega/T$  scaling. The fluctuations

$$\begin{aligned} G(\tau_1, \tau_2) &= G_s(\tau_1 - \tau_2) + \delta G(\tau_1, \tau_2) \\ \Sigma(\tau_1, \tau_2) &= \Sigma_s(\tau_1 - \tau_2) + \delta \Sigma(\tau_1, \tau_2) \end{aligned}$$

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Similar remarks apply to other random quantum systems, and to DMFT.

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Gauge-invariant order parameters at  $x, \tau$  couple to gauge invariant order parameters at  $x, \tau'$  with  $J_f(\tau) \sim 1/\tau^2$  via Fermi surface excitations.

This coupling is irrelevant by naive power-counting.

# Gauge theory of fluctuating SDW coupled to large Fermi surface

In the large  $N_h$  limit, we are required to decouple  $\mathcal{S}_f$  by introducing a bilocal field  $C_{ab}(x, \tau, \tau')$

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At the large  $N_h$  saddle point, we have  $C_{ab}(x, \tau, \tau') = \delta_{ab} C(\tau - \tau')$ . Saddle point equations show that  $C_{ab}$  displays strong scaling, and  $\mathcal{S}_f$  is not irrelevant....

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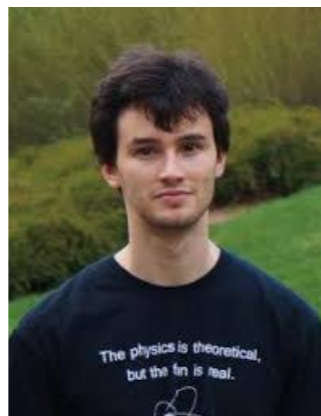


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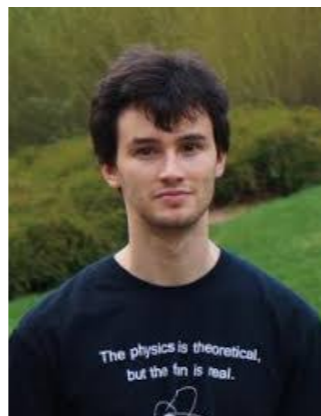
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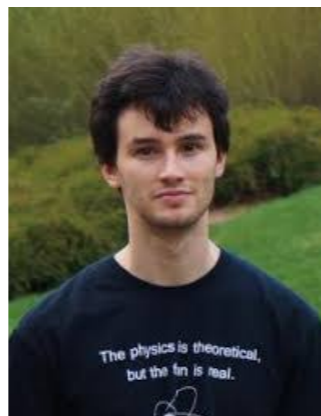


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