

# Strange metals and black holes

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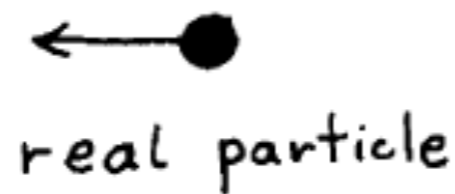
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# Ordinary metals

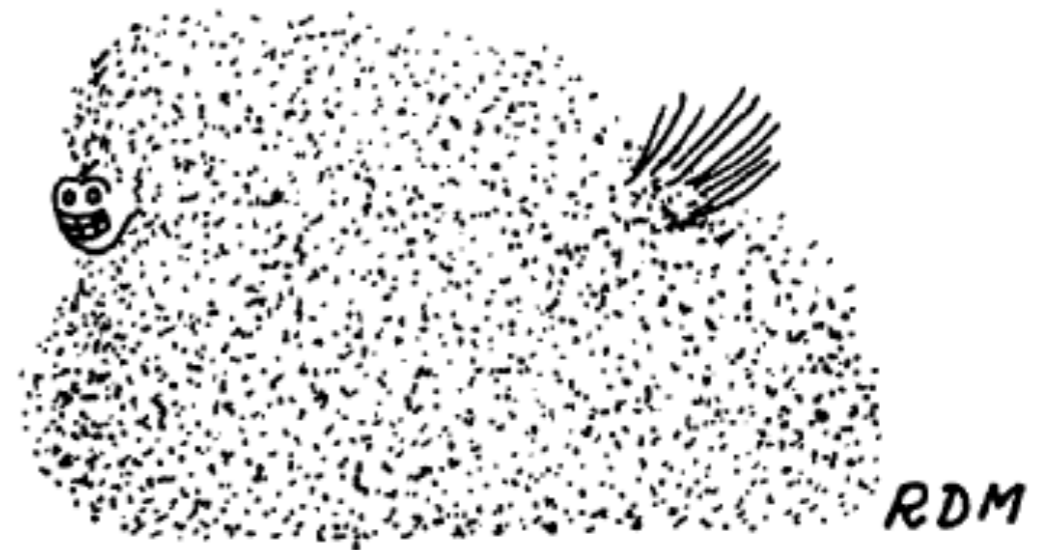


Ordinary metals are shiny, and they conduct heat and electricity efficiently. Each atom donates electrons which are delocalized throughout the entire crystal

*Almost all many-electron systems are described by the quasiparticle concept: a quasiparticle is an “excited lump” in the many-electron state which responds just like an ordinary particle.*



real horse



quasi horse

## What are quasiparticles ?

- **Quasiparticles are additive excitations:**

The low-lying excitations of the many-body system can be identified as a set  $\{n_\alpha\}$  of quasiparticles with energy  $\varepsilon_\alpha$

$$E = \sum_{\alpha} n_{\alpha} \varepsilon_{\alpha} + \sum_{\alpha, \beta} F_{\alpha\beta} n_{\alpha} n_{\beta} + \dots$$

In a lattice system of  $N$  sites, this parameterizes the energy of  $\sim e^{\alpha N}$  states in terms of poly( $N$ ) numbers.

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- Quasiparticles eventually collide with each other. Such collisions eventually leads to thermal equilibration in a chaotic quantum state, but the equilibration takes a long time. In a Fermi liquid, this time diverges as

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- This time is much longer than the ‘Planckian time’  $\hbar / (k_B T)$ , which we will find in systems without quasiparticle excitations.

$$\tau_{\text{eq}} \gg \frac{\hbar}{k_B T} \quad , \quad \text{as } T \rightarrow 0.$$

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Remarkable recent observation of ‘Planckian’ strange metal transport in cuprates, pnictides, magic-angle graphene, and ultracold atoms: the resistivity is associated with a universal scattering time  $\approx \hbar/(k_B T)$ .

## Universal $T$ -linear resistivity and Planckian dissipation in overdoped cuprates

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## Planckian dissipation and scale invariance in a quantum-critical disordered pnictide

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## Strange metal in magic-angle graphene with near Planckian dissipation

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## Bad metallic transport in a cold atom Fermi-Hubbard system

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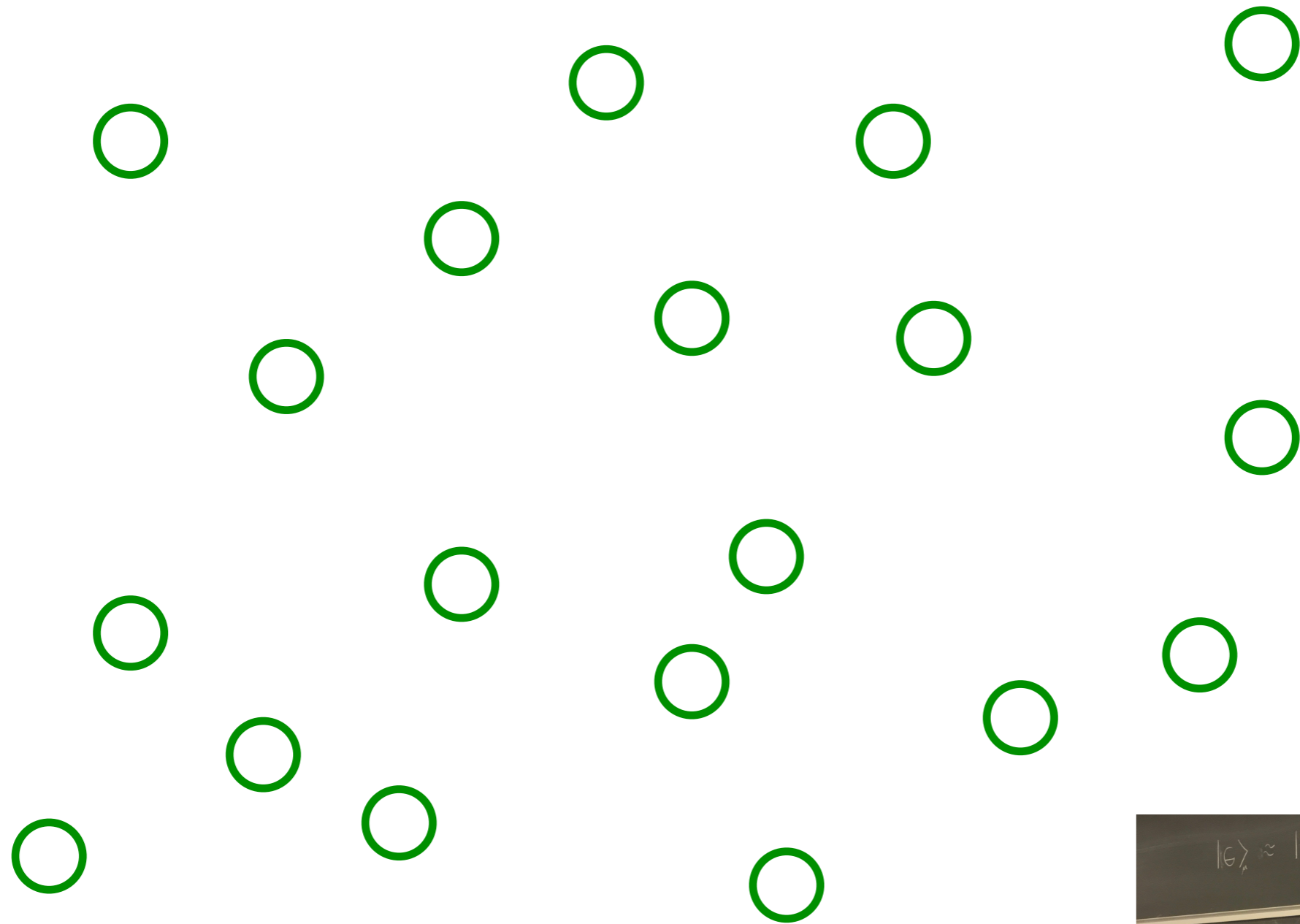
$$\rho = \frac{m^*}{ne^2} \frac{1}{\tau}$$

with a universal scattering rate

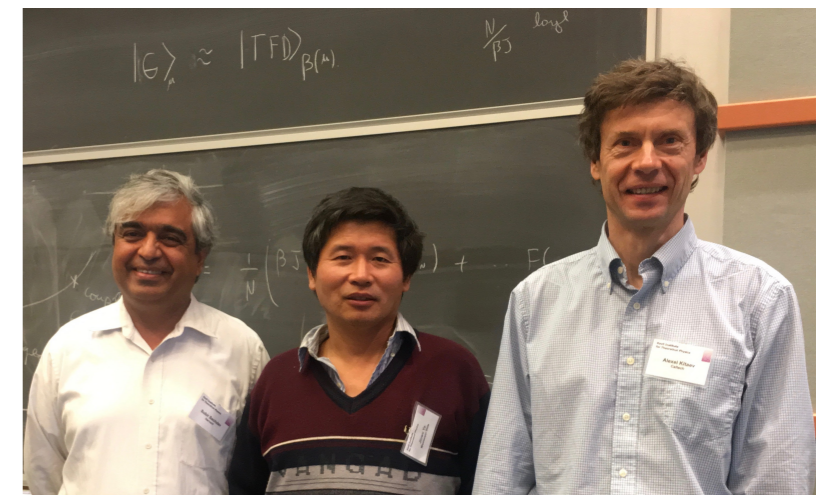
$$\frac{1}{\tau} \approx \frac{k_B T}{\hbar},$$

independent of the strength of interactions!

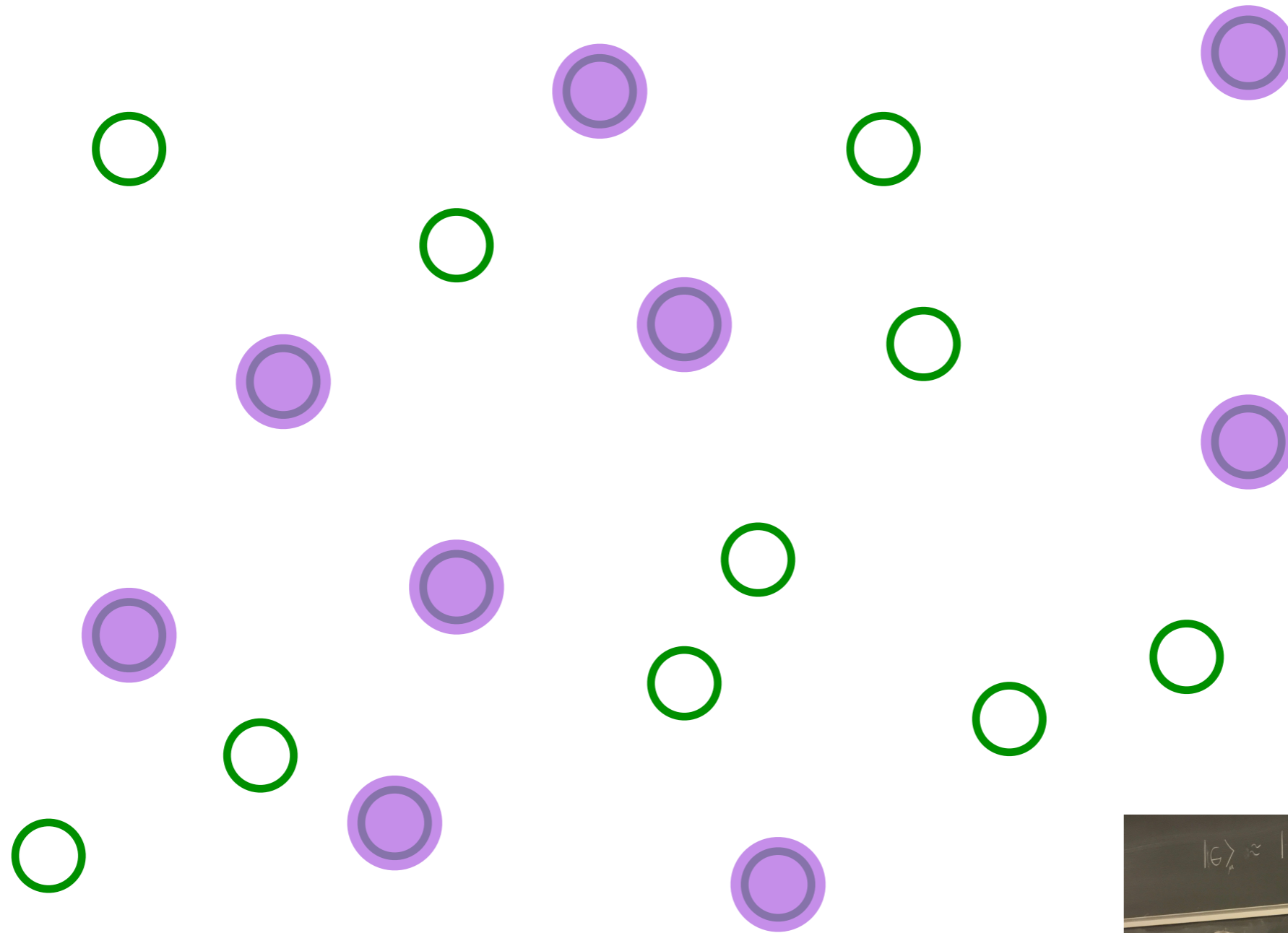
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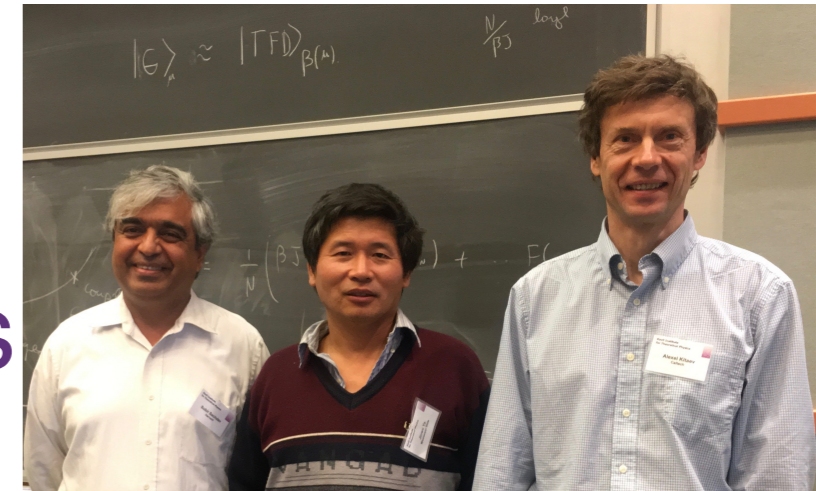
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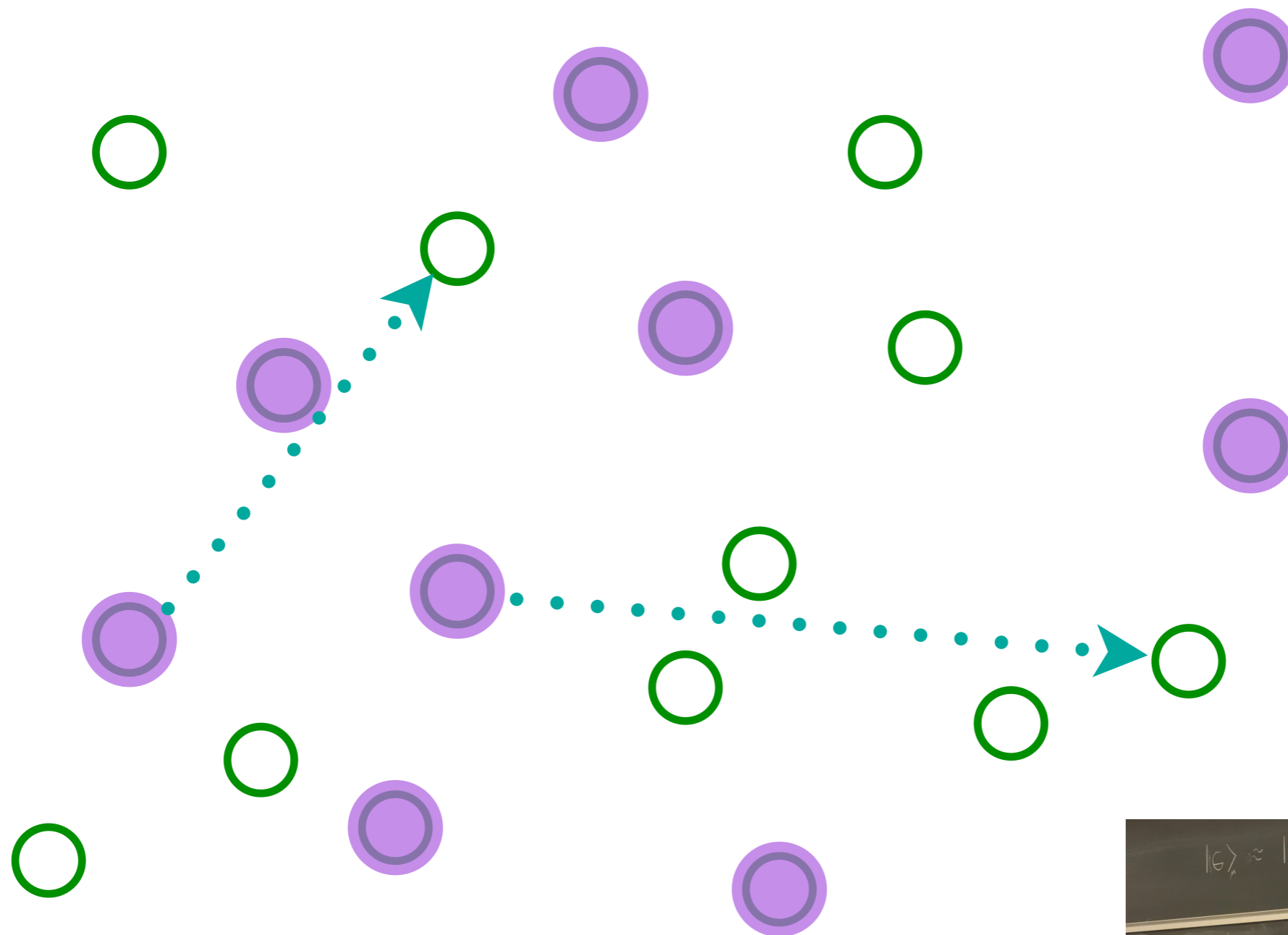
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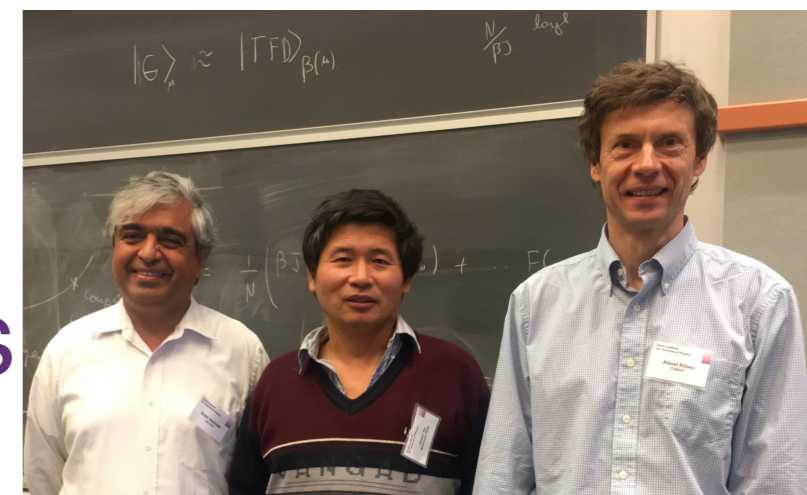
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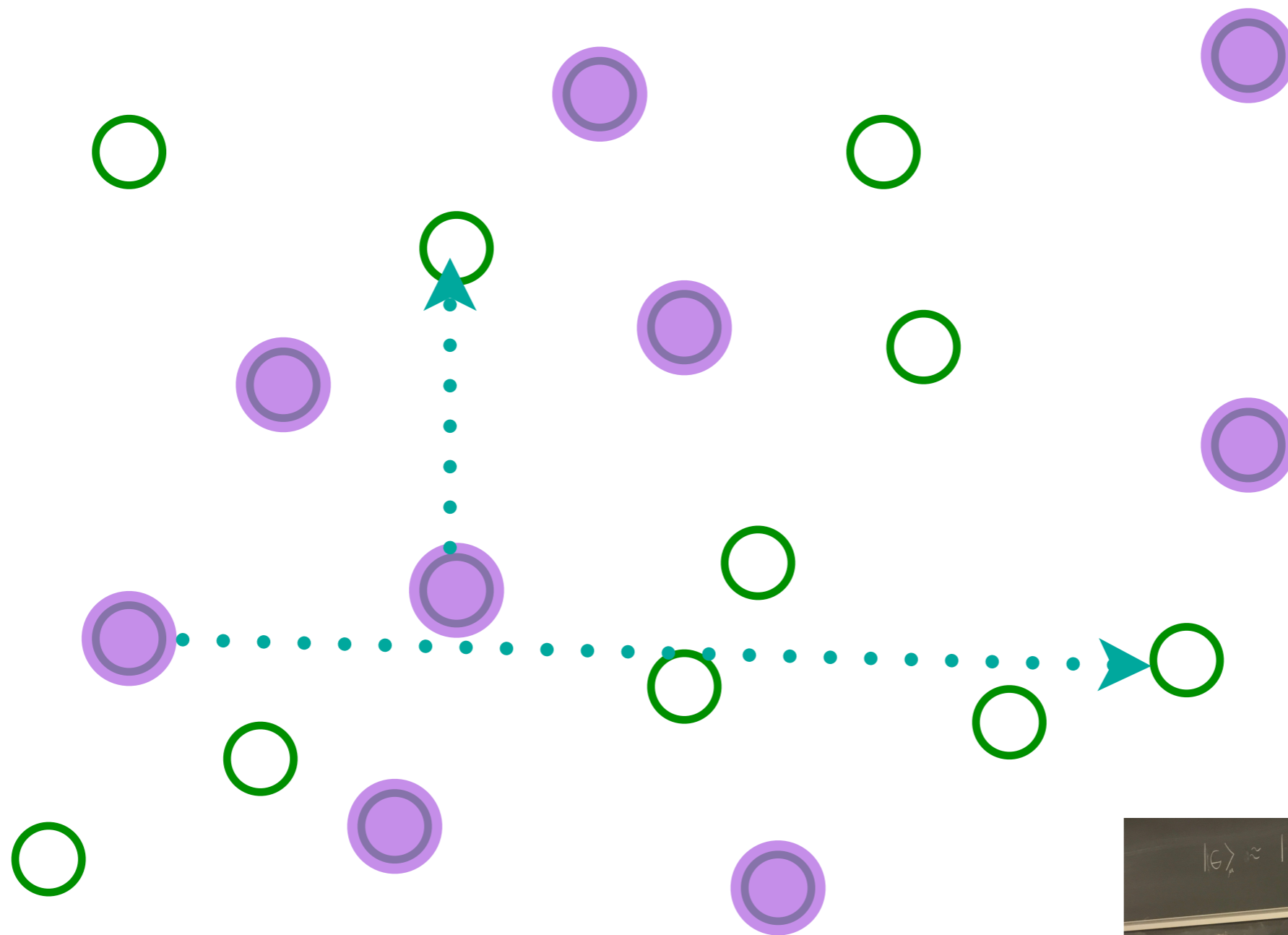
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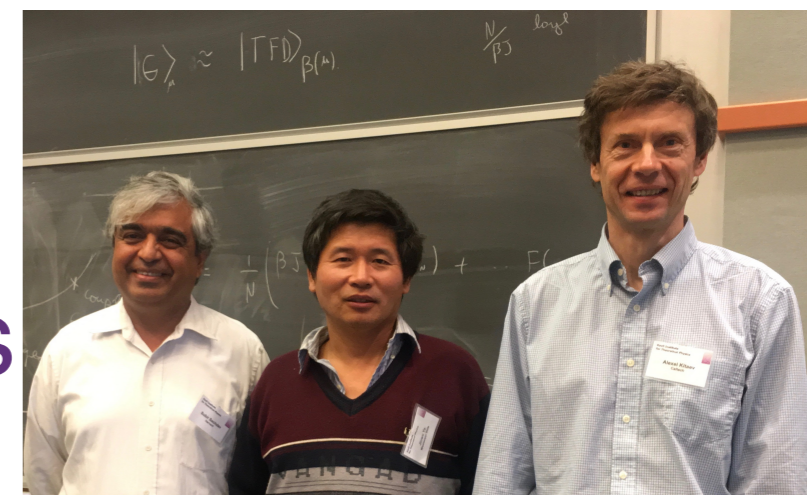
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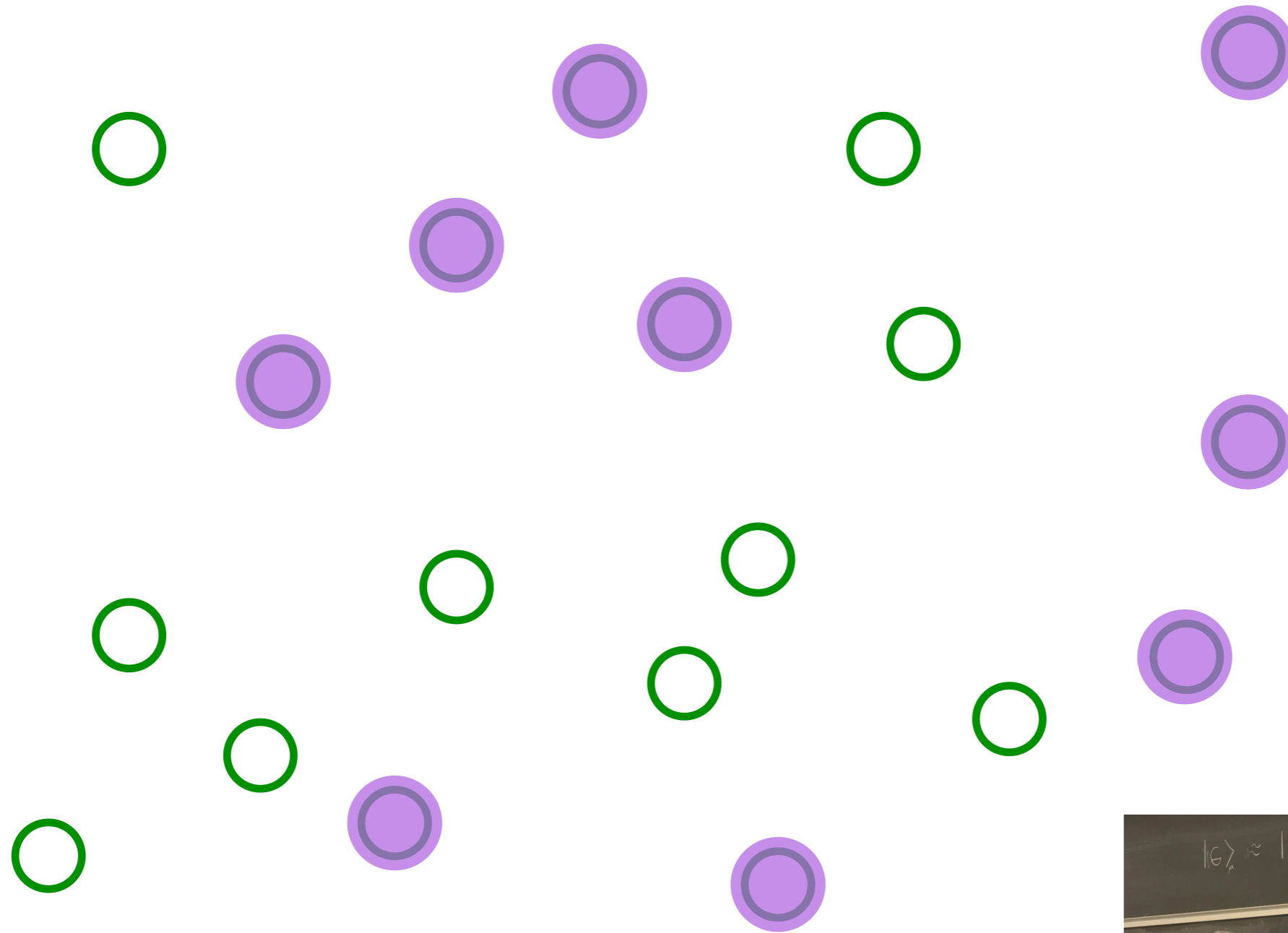
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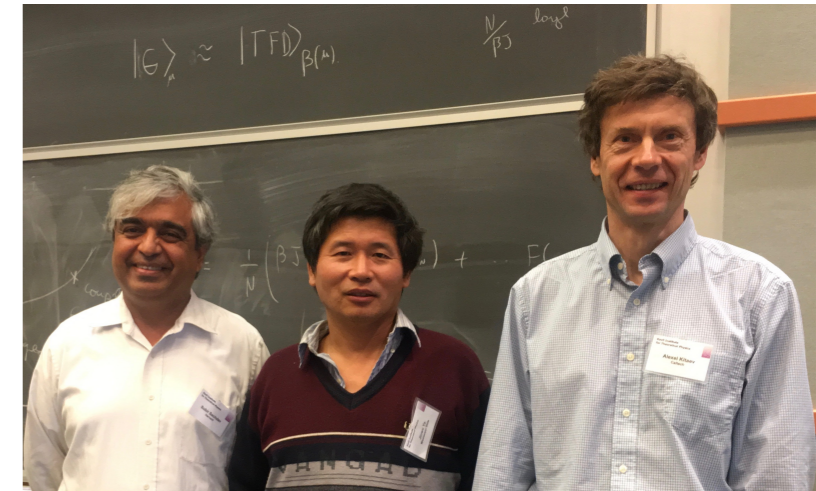
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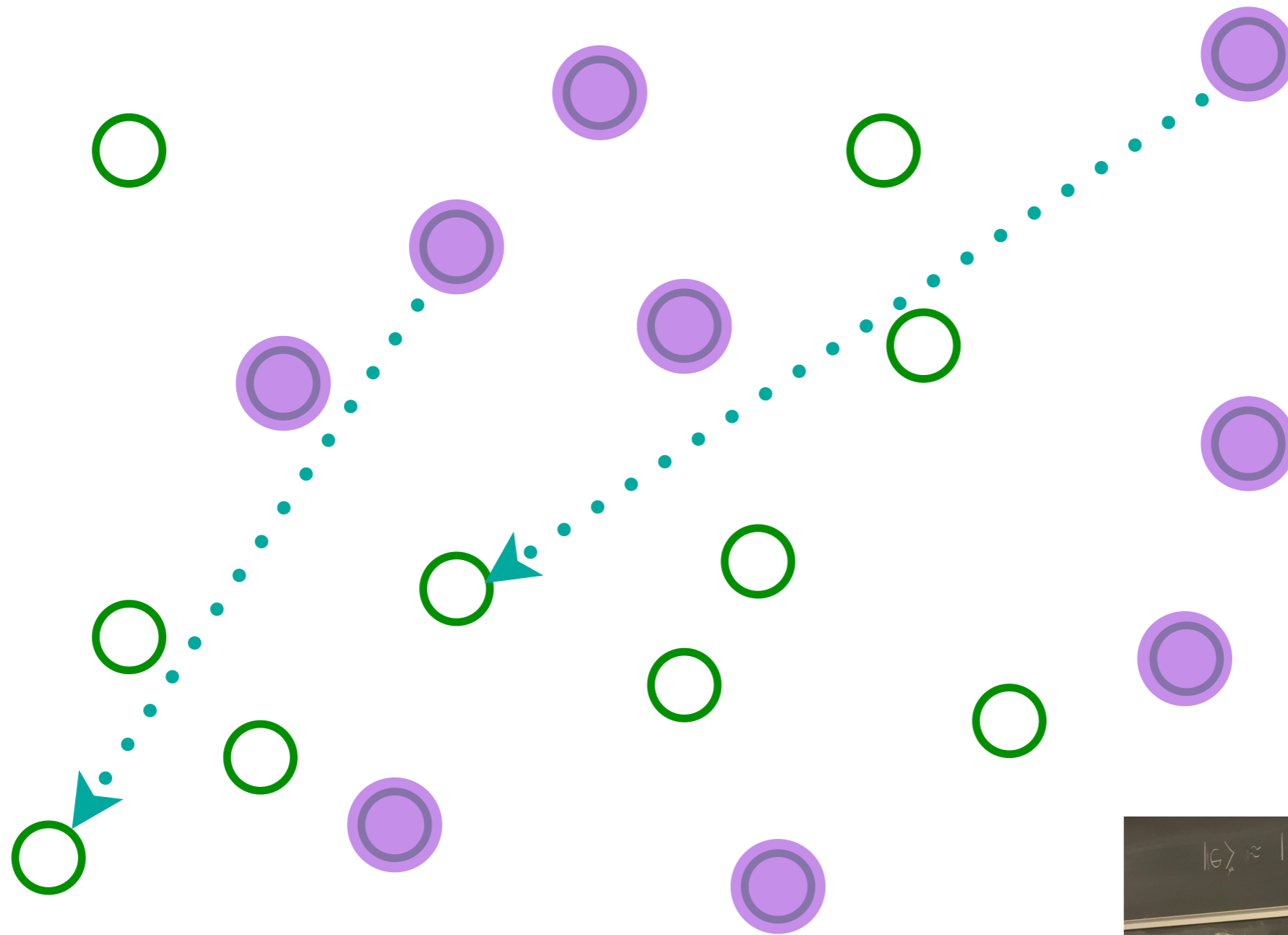
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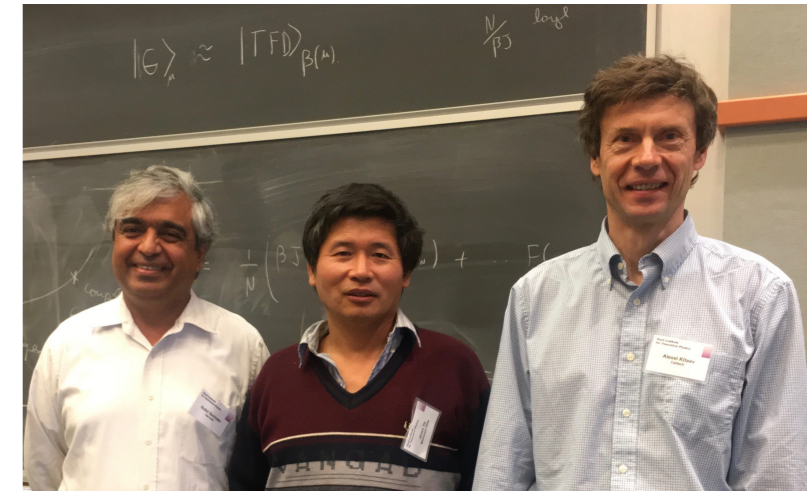
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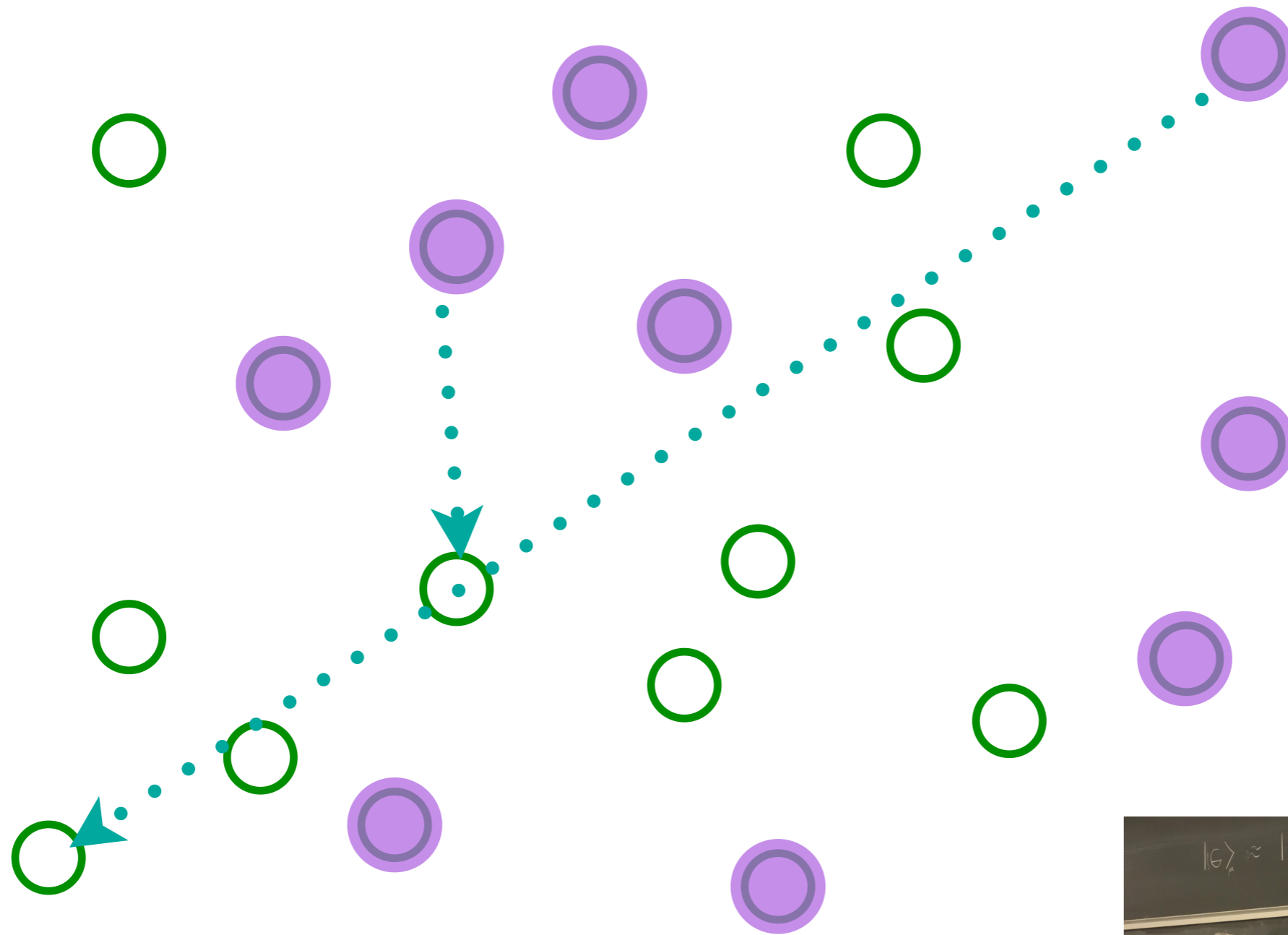
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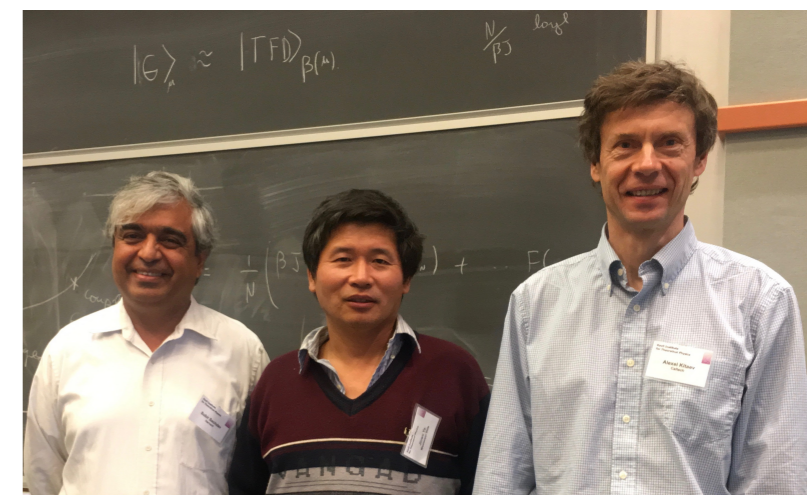
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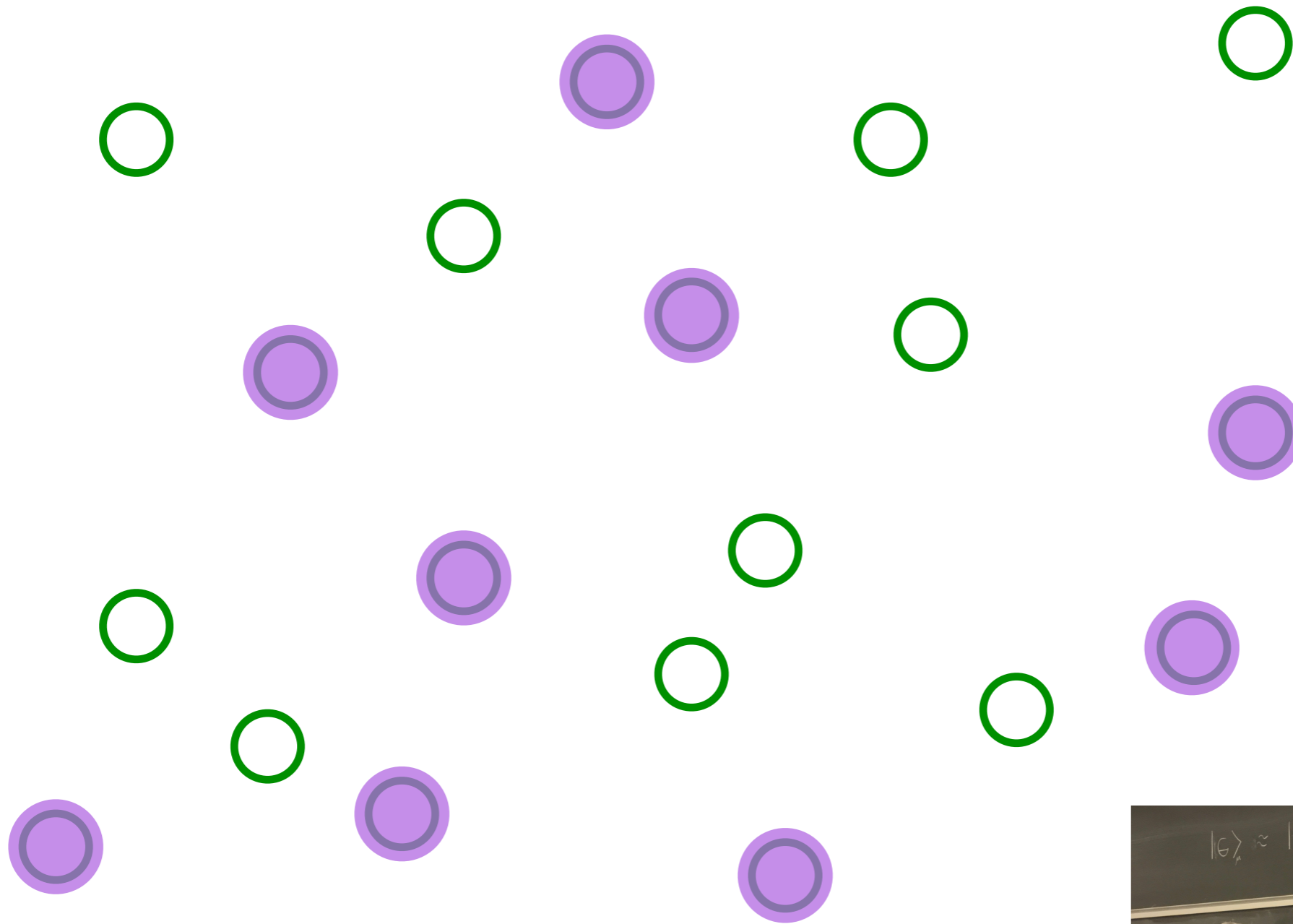
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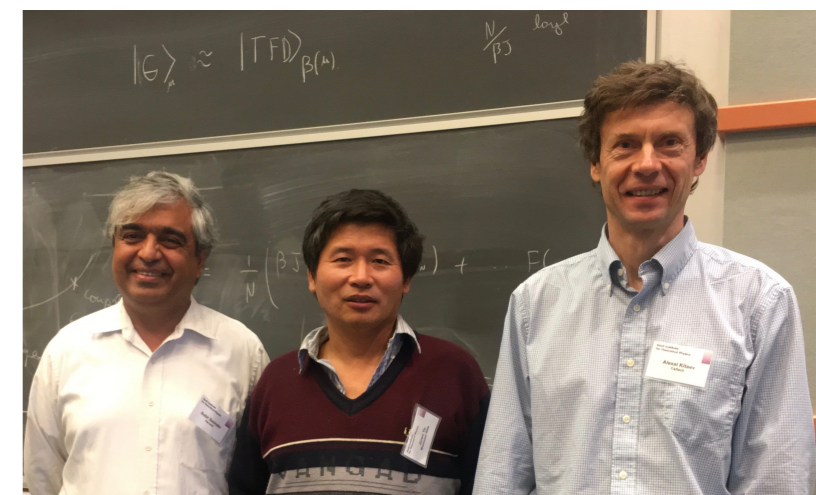
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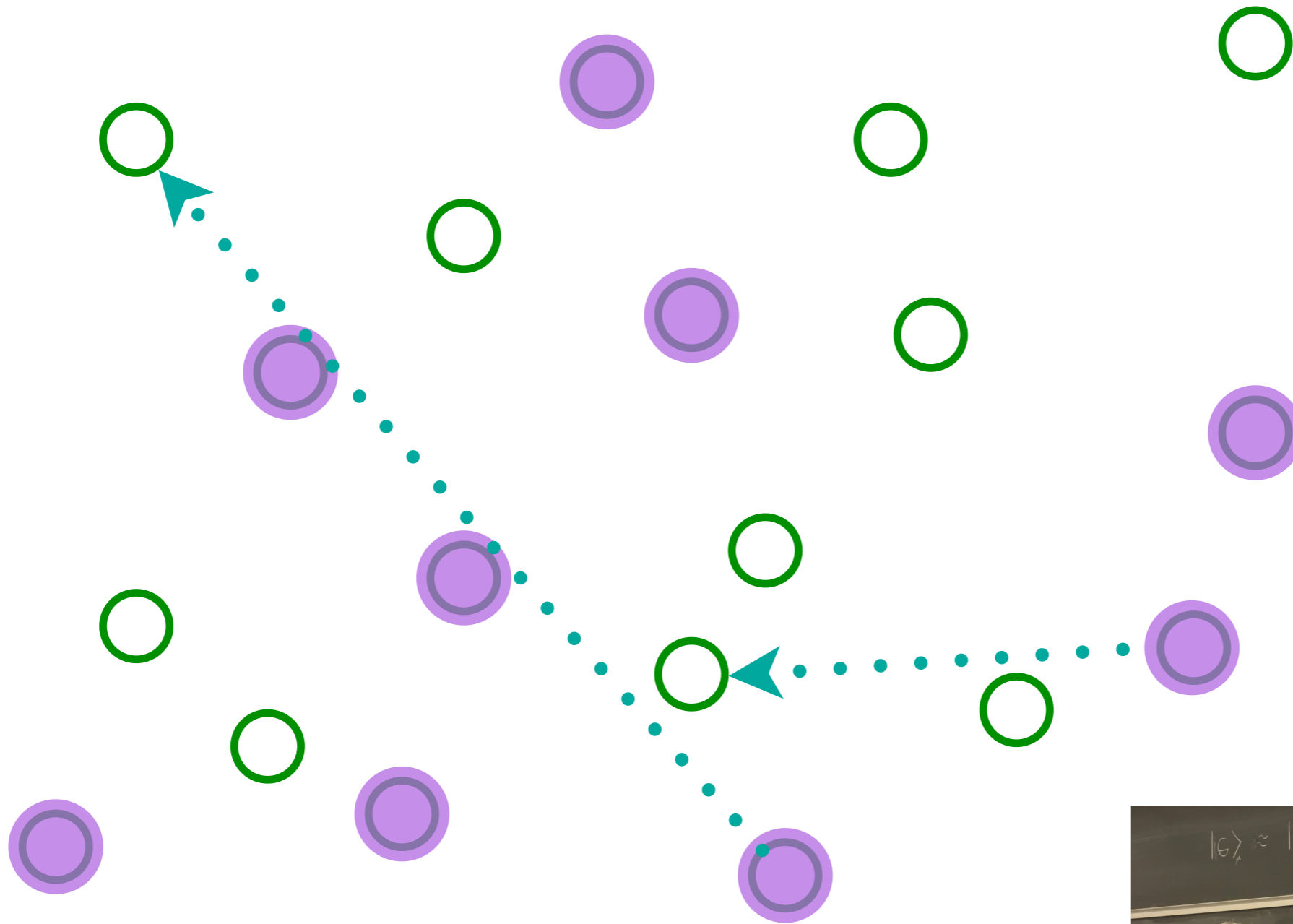
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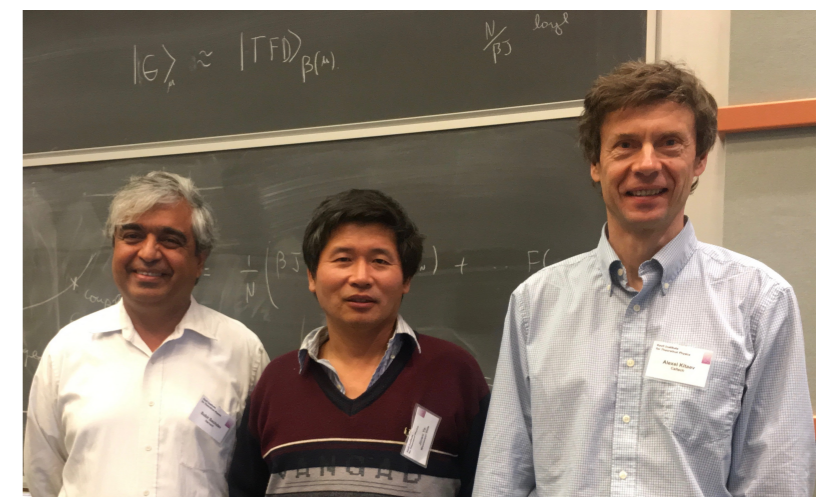
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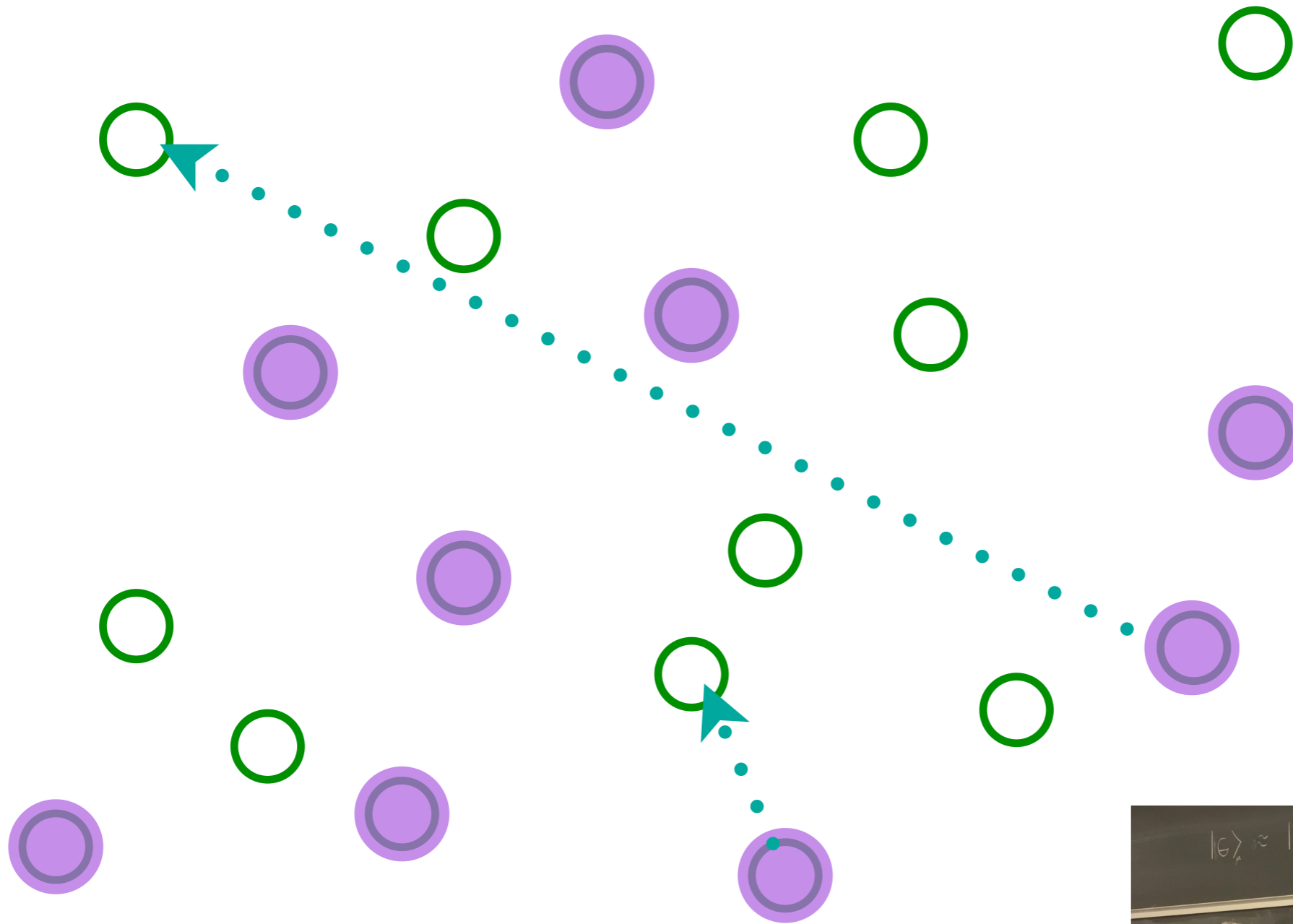
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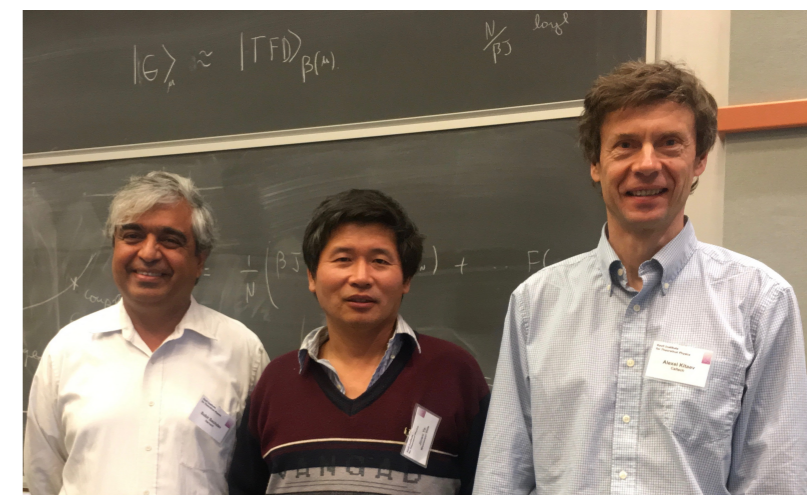
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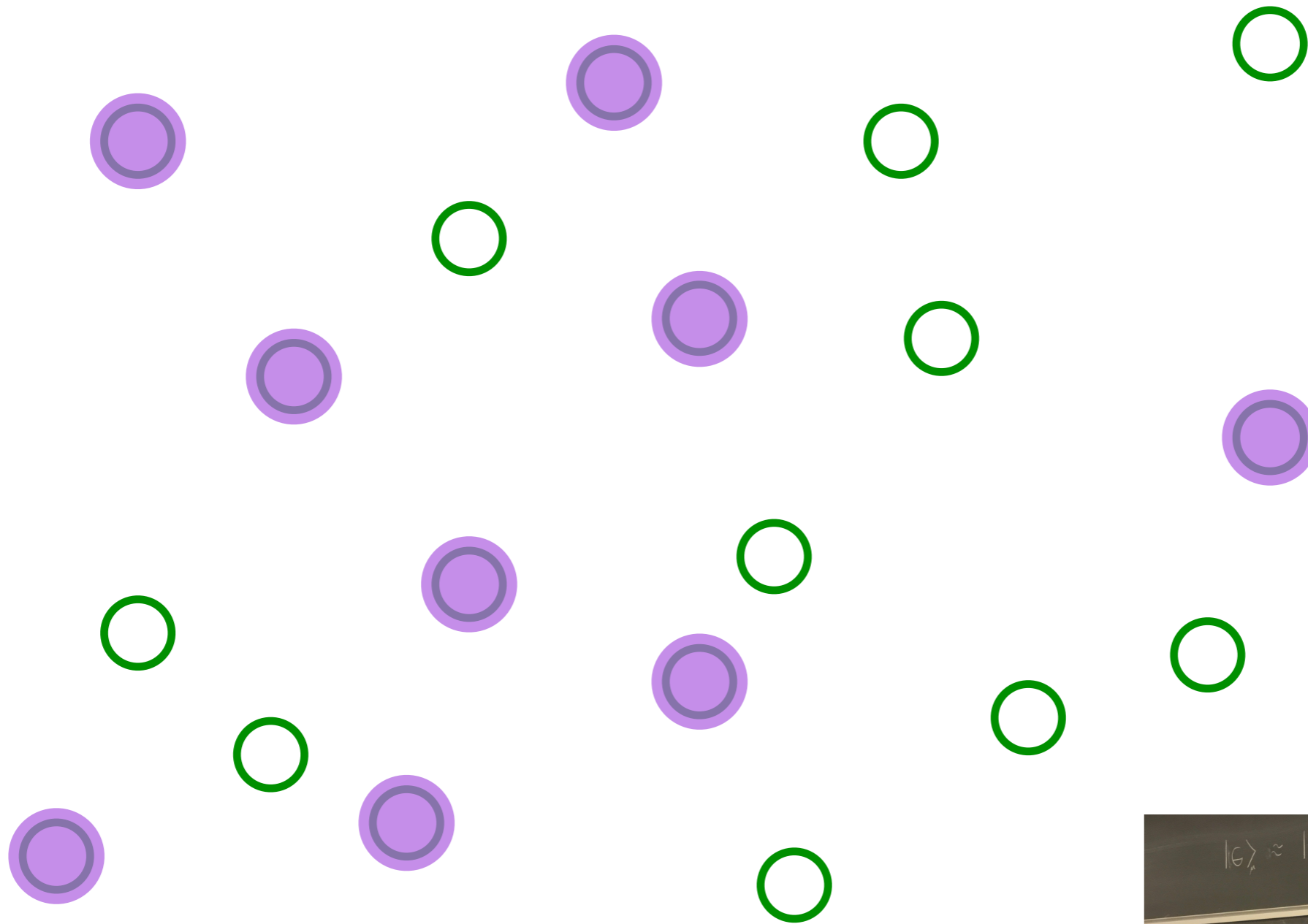
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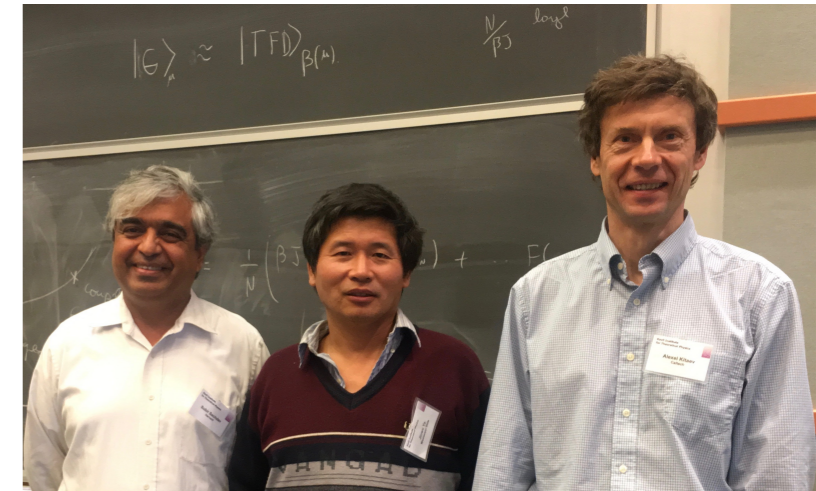
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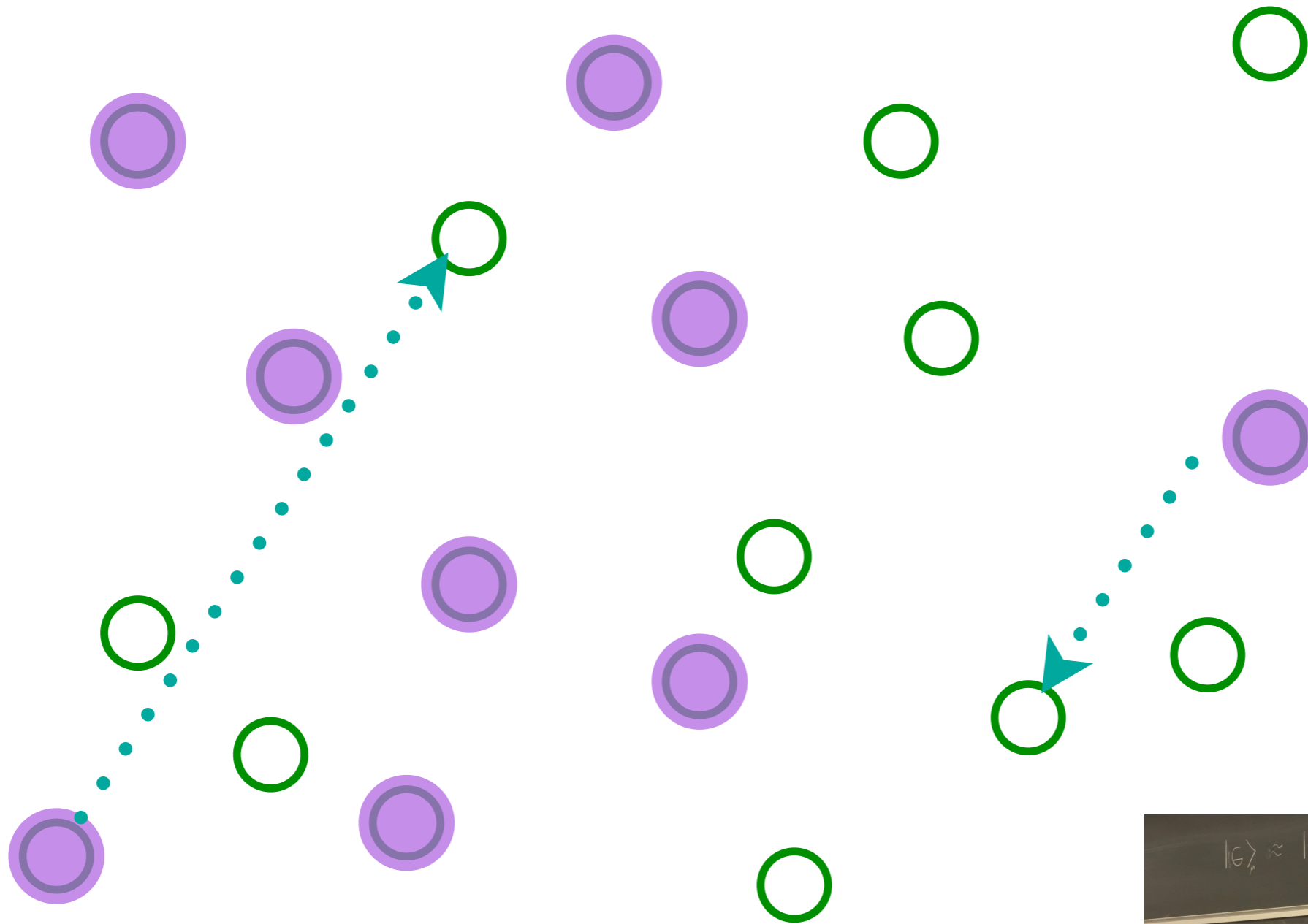
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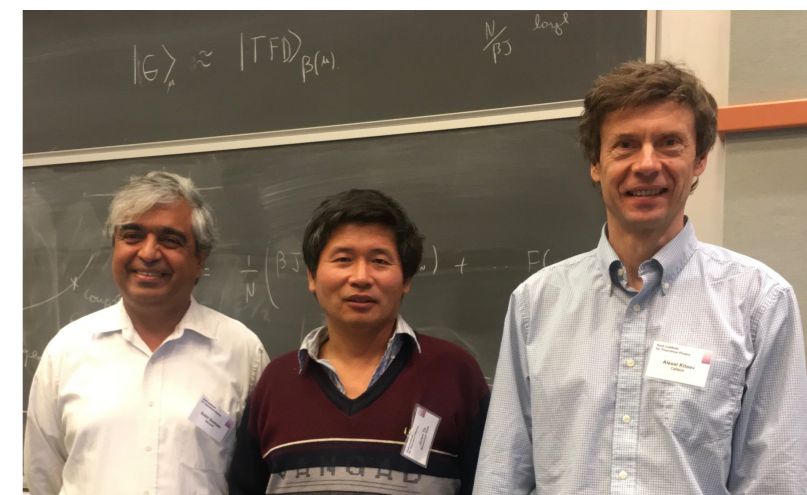
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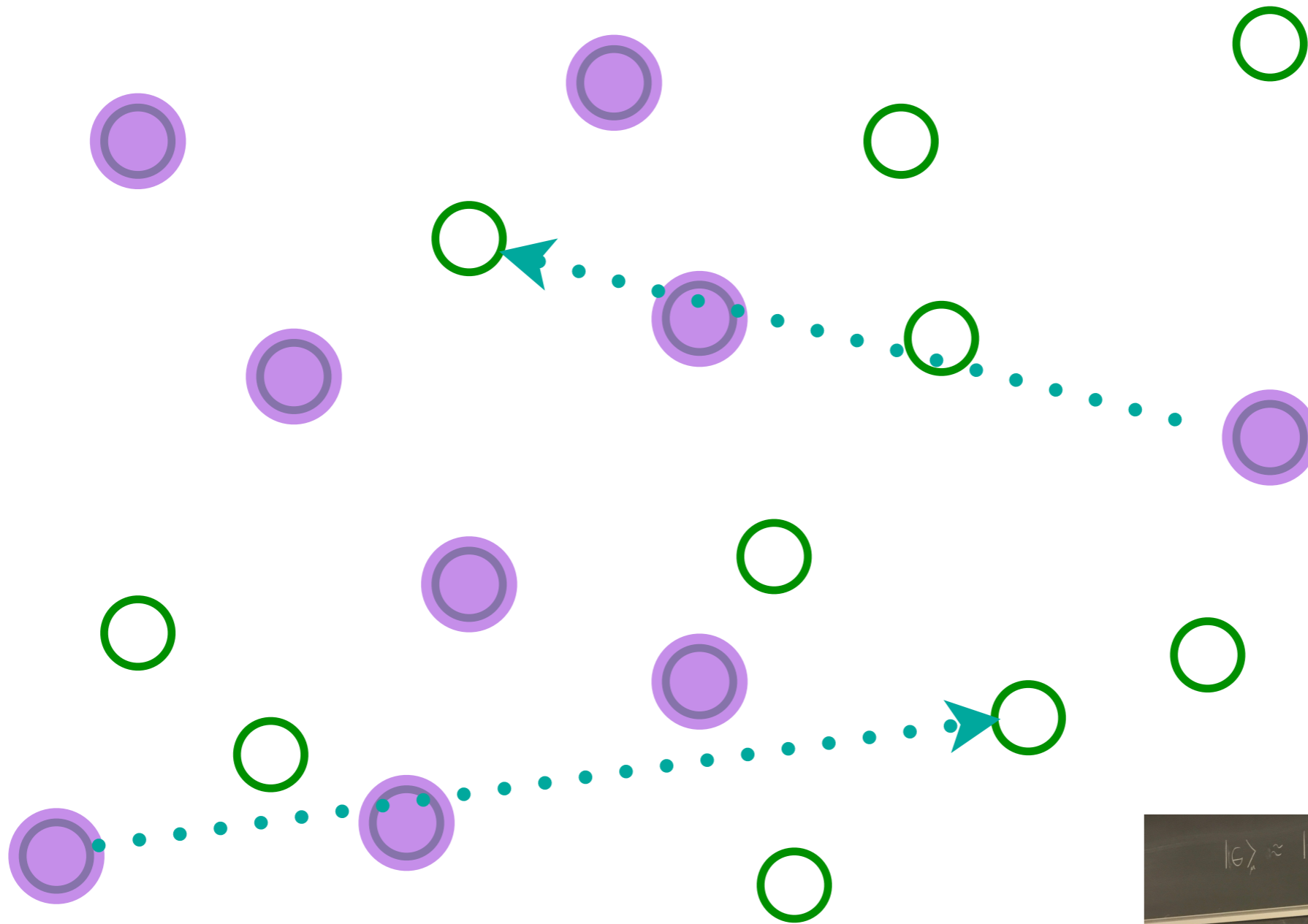
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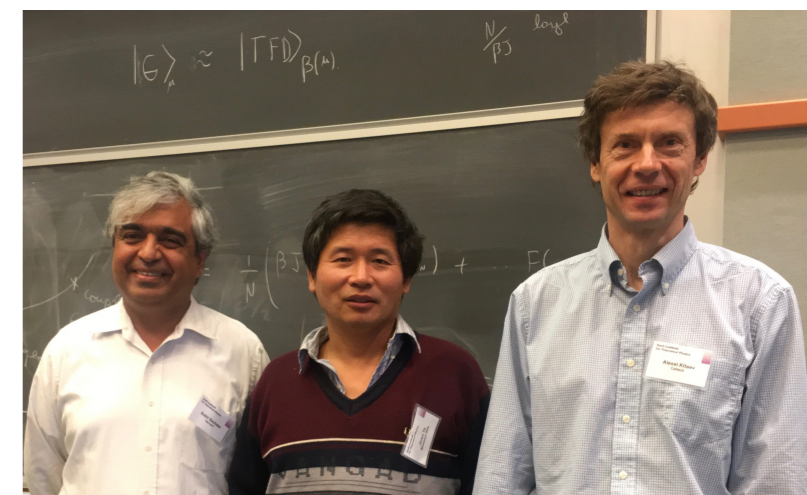
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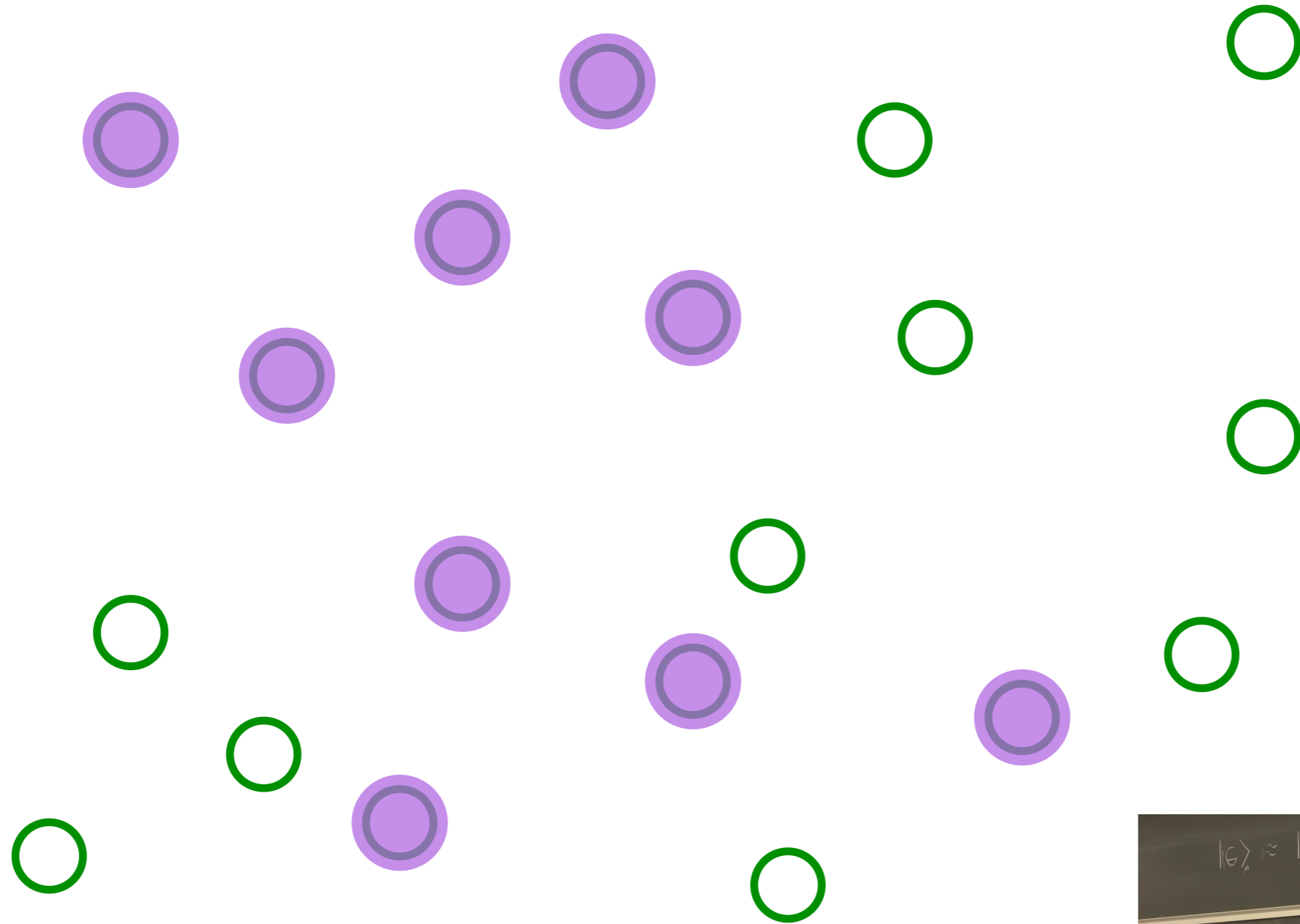
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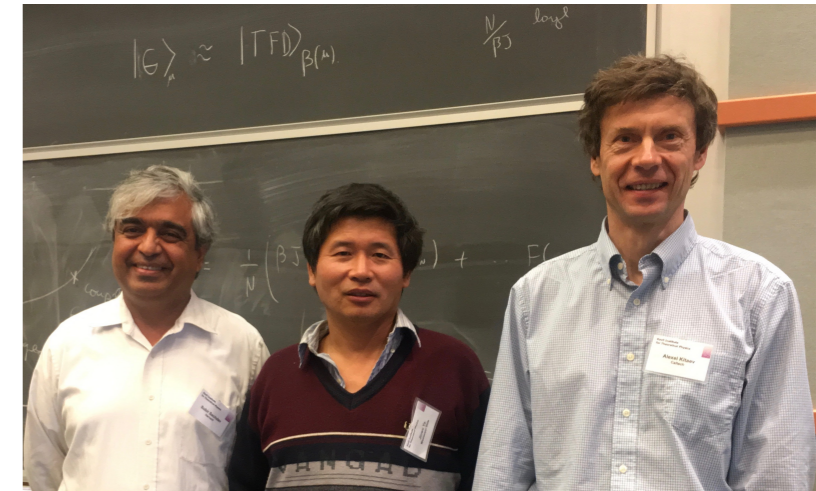
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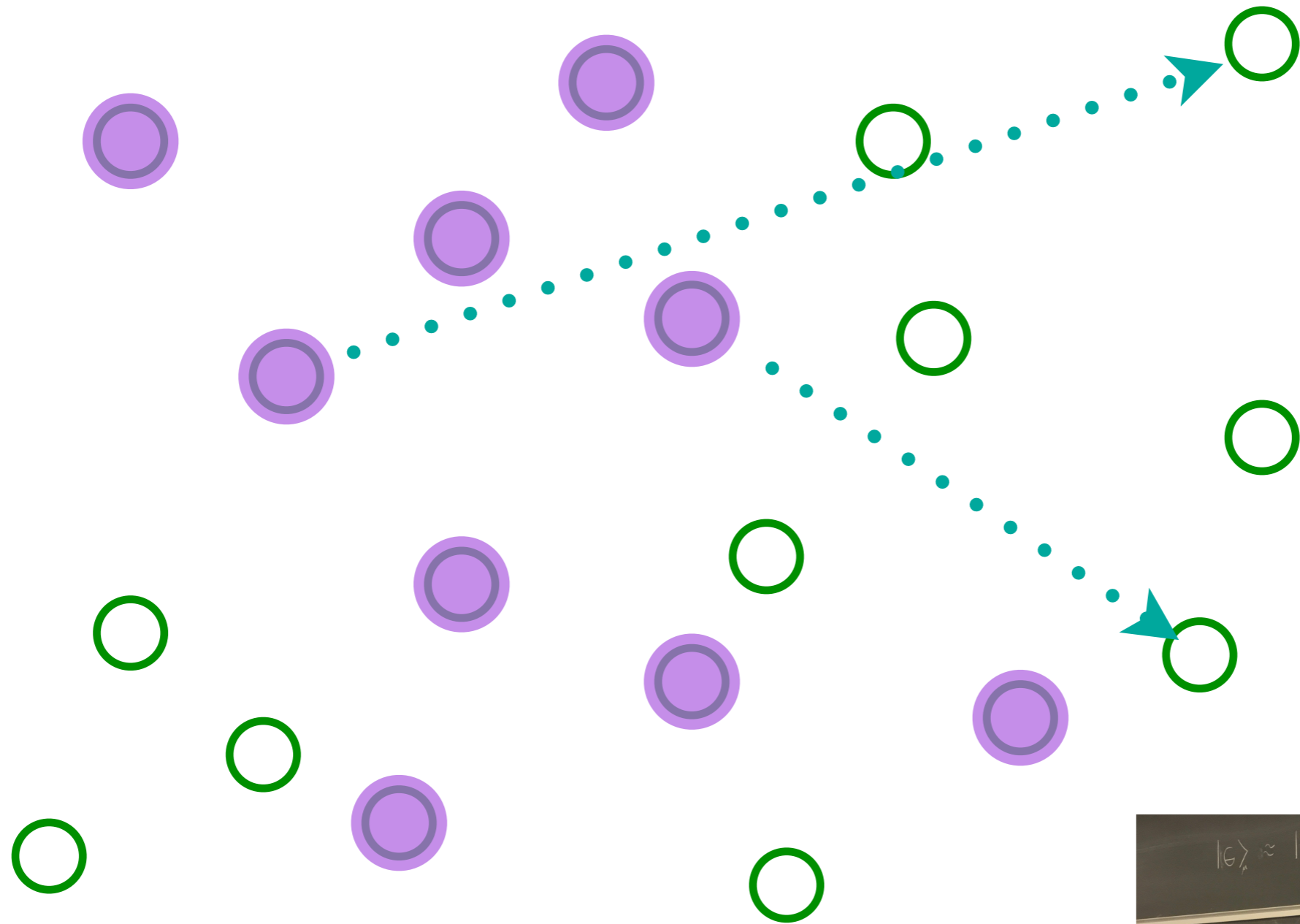
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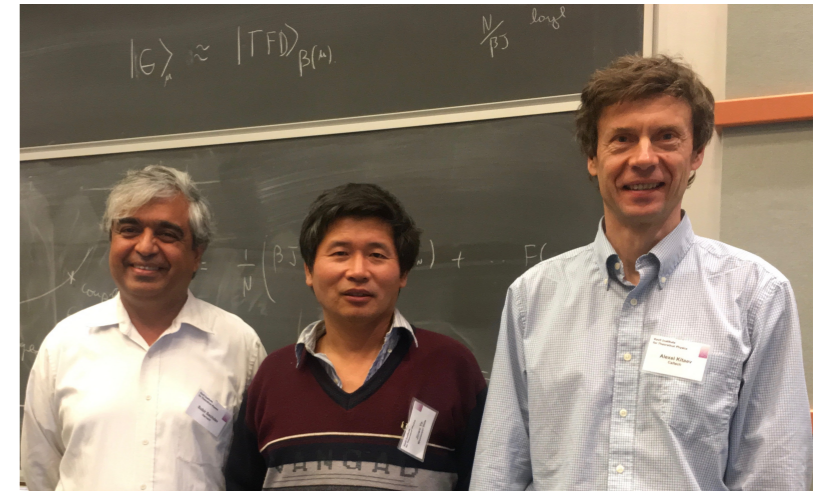
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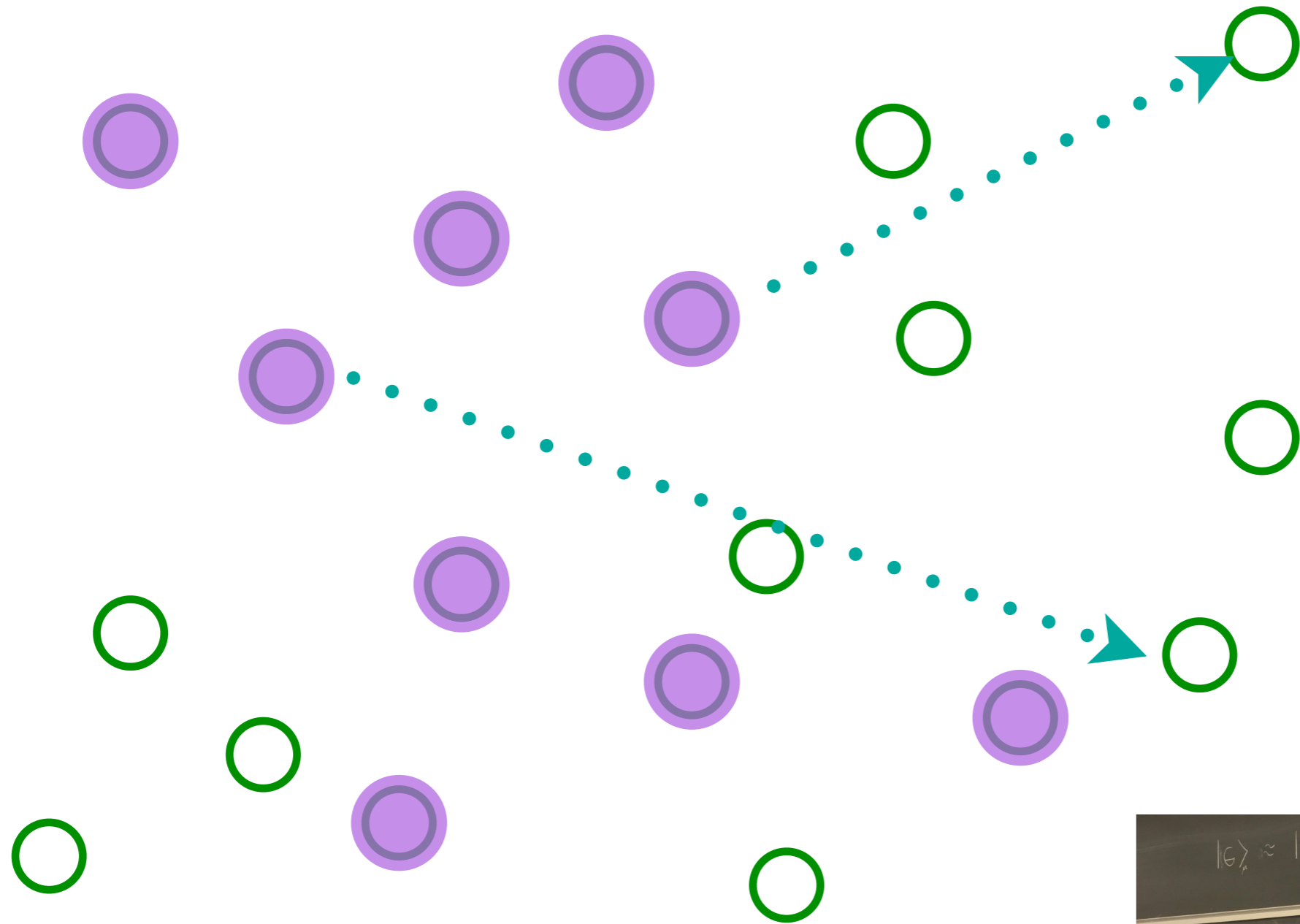
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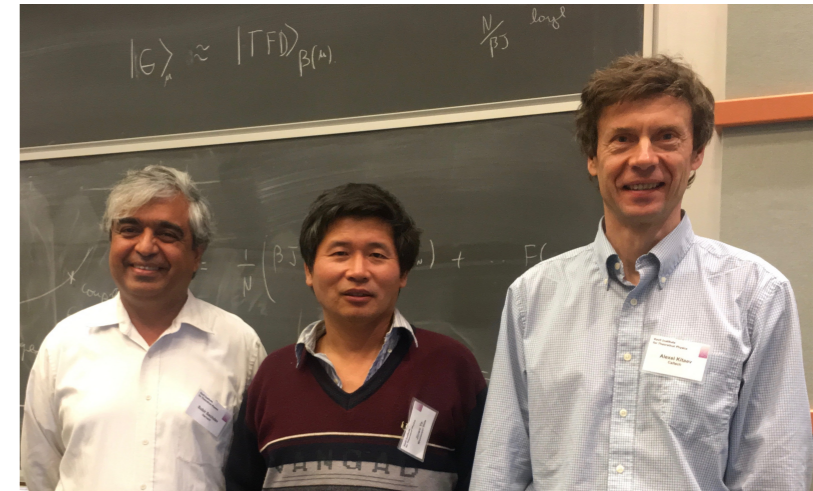
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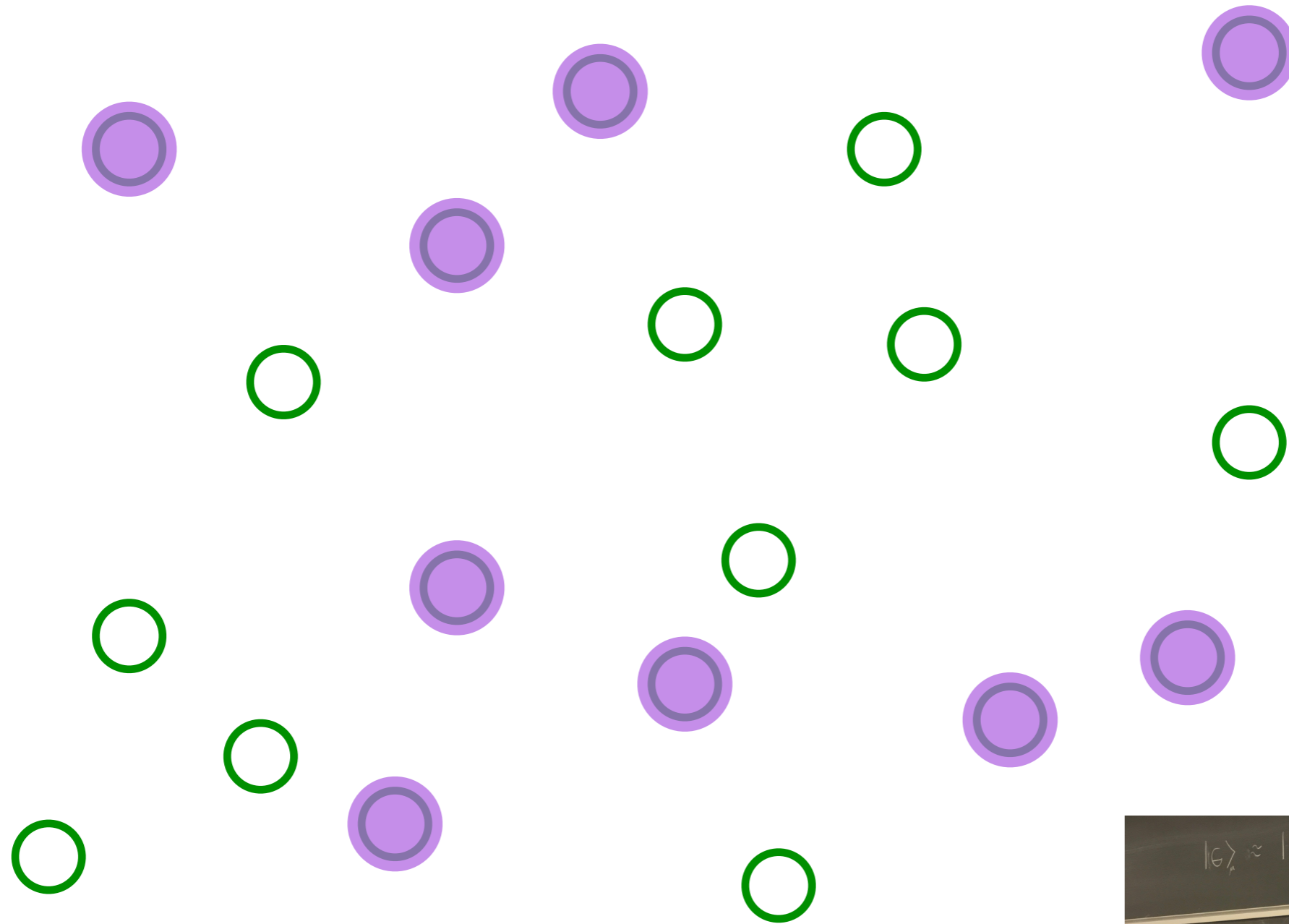
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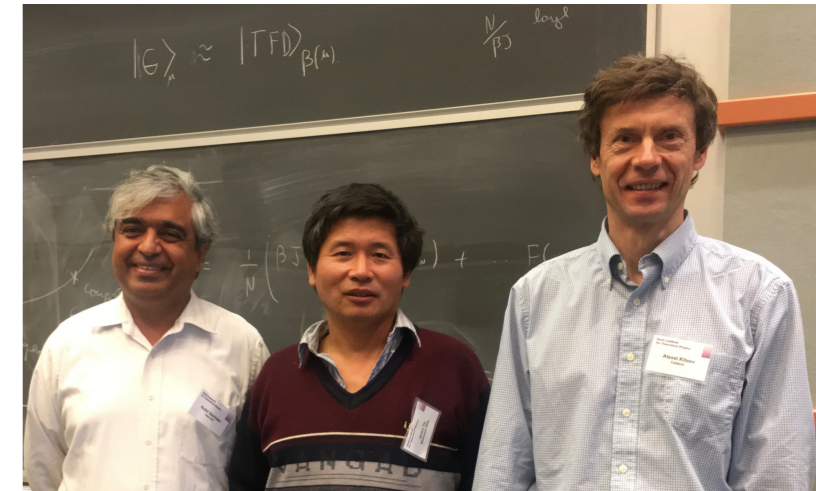
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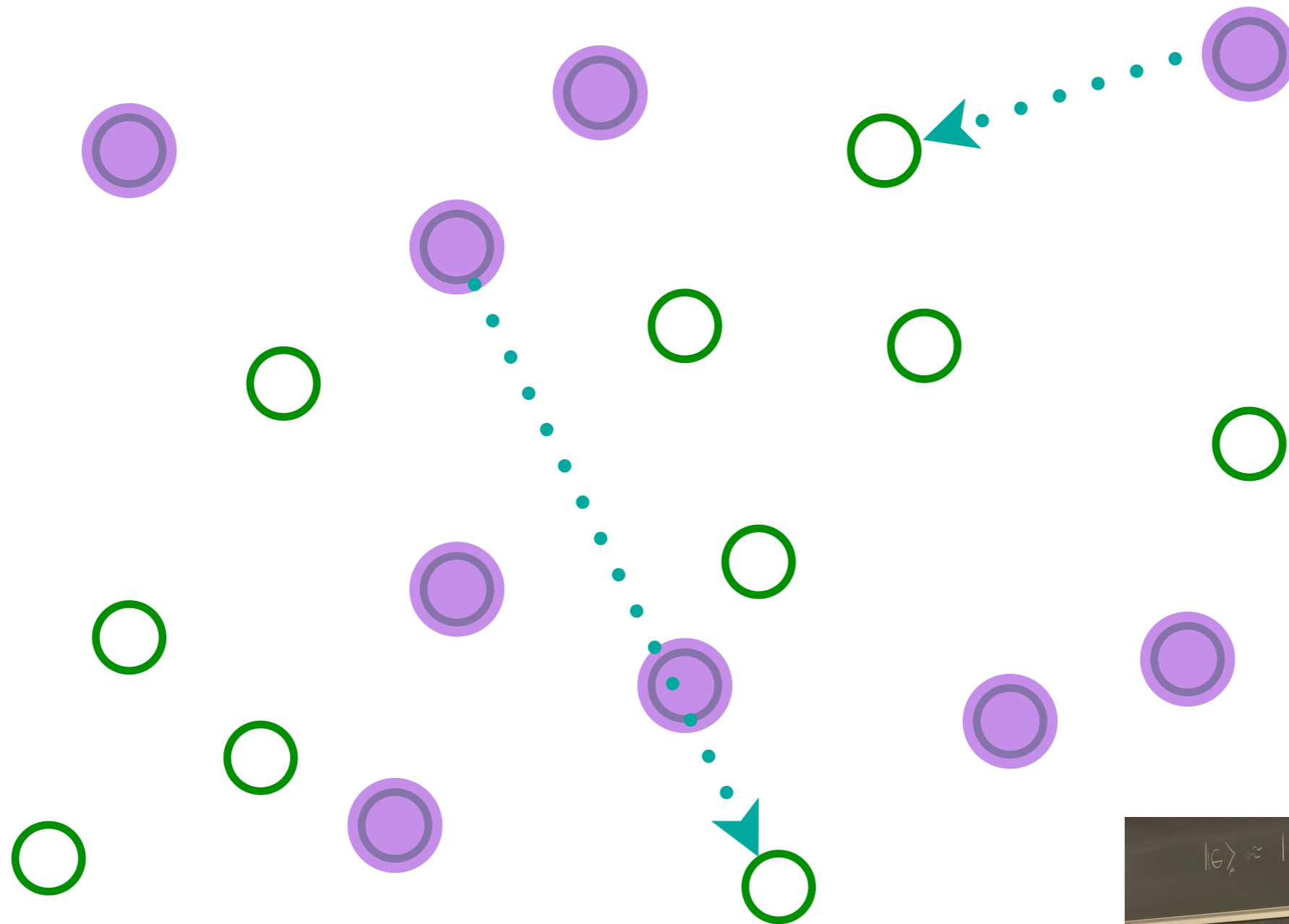
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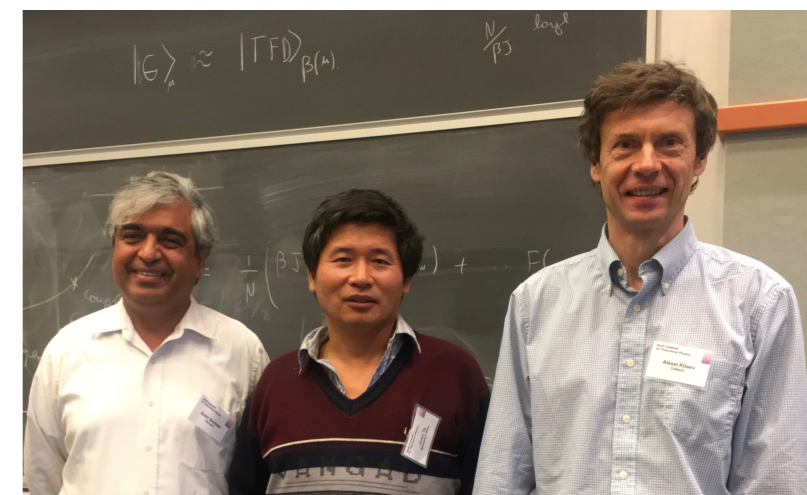
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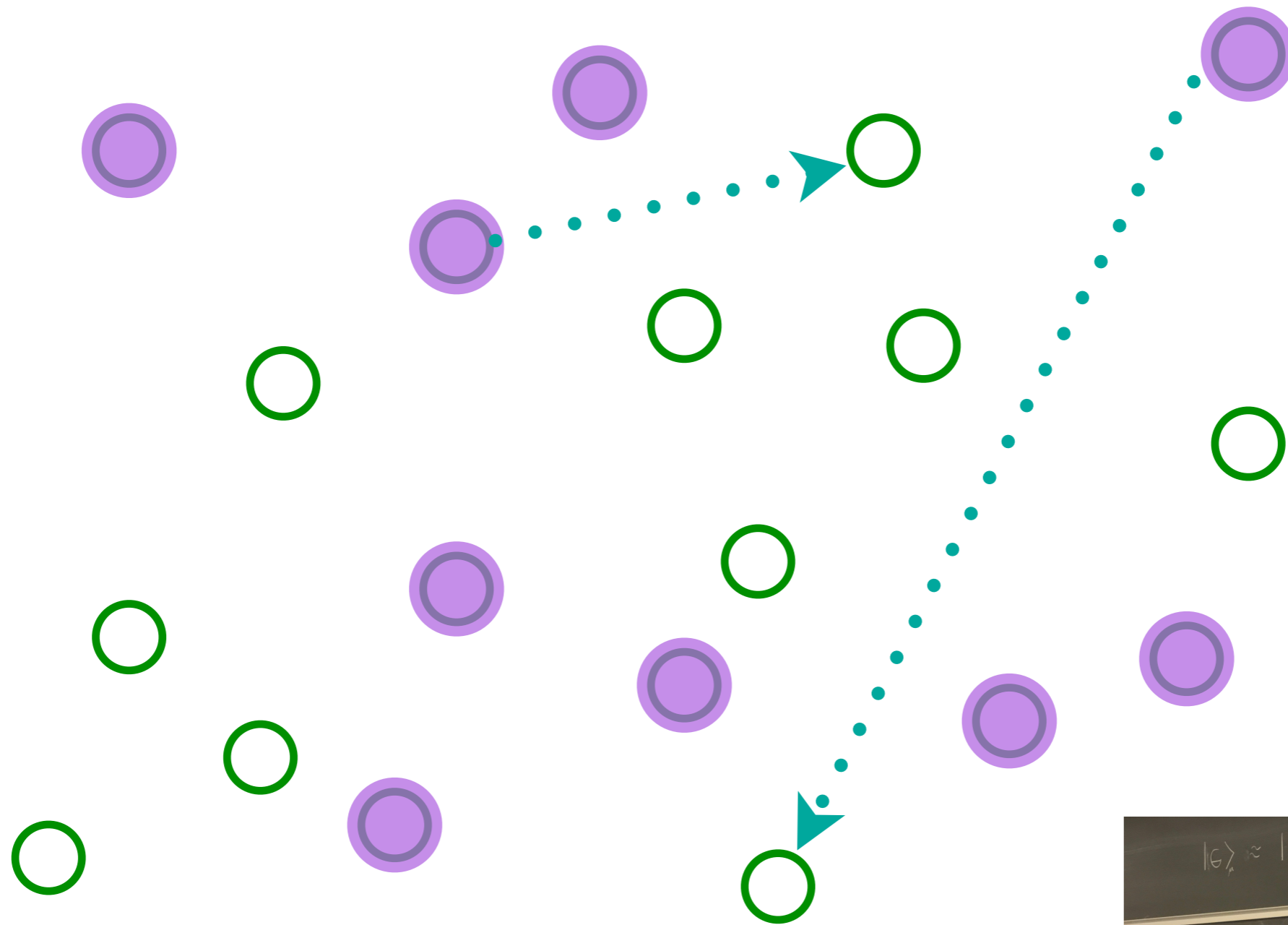
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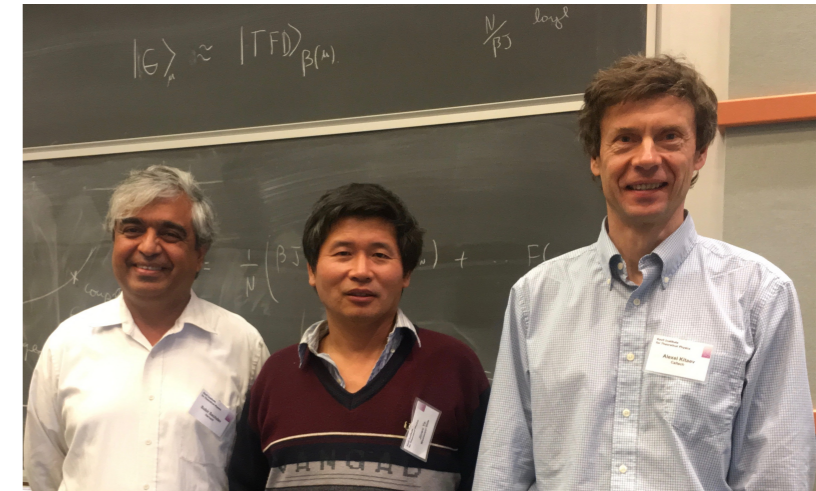
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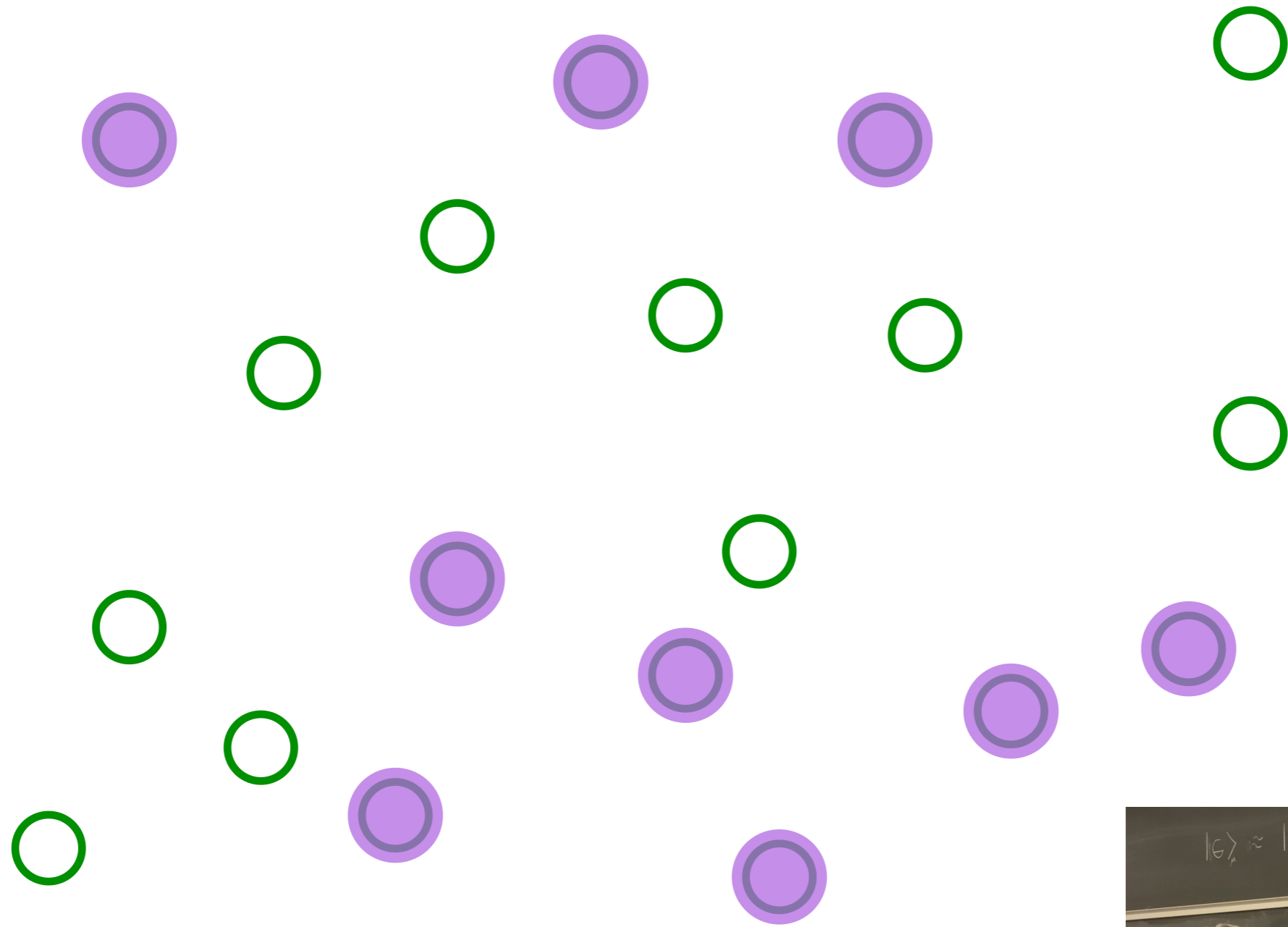
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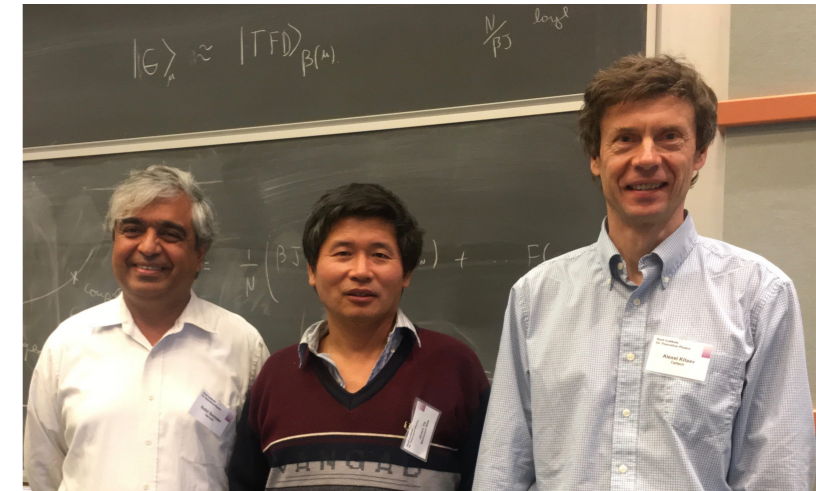
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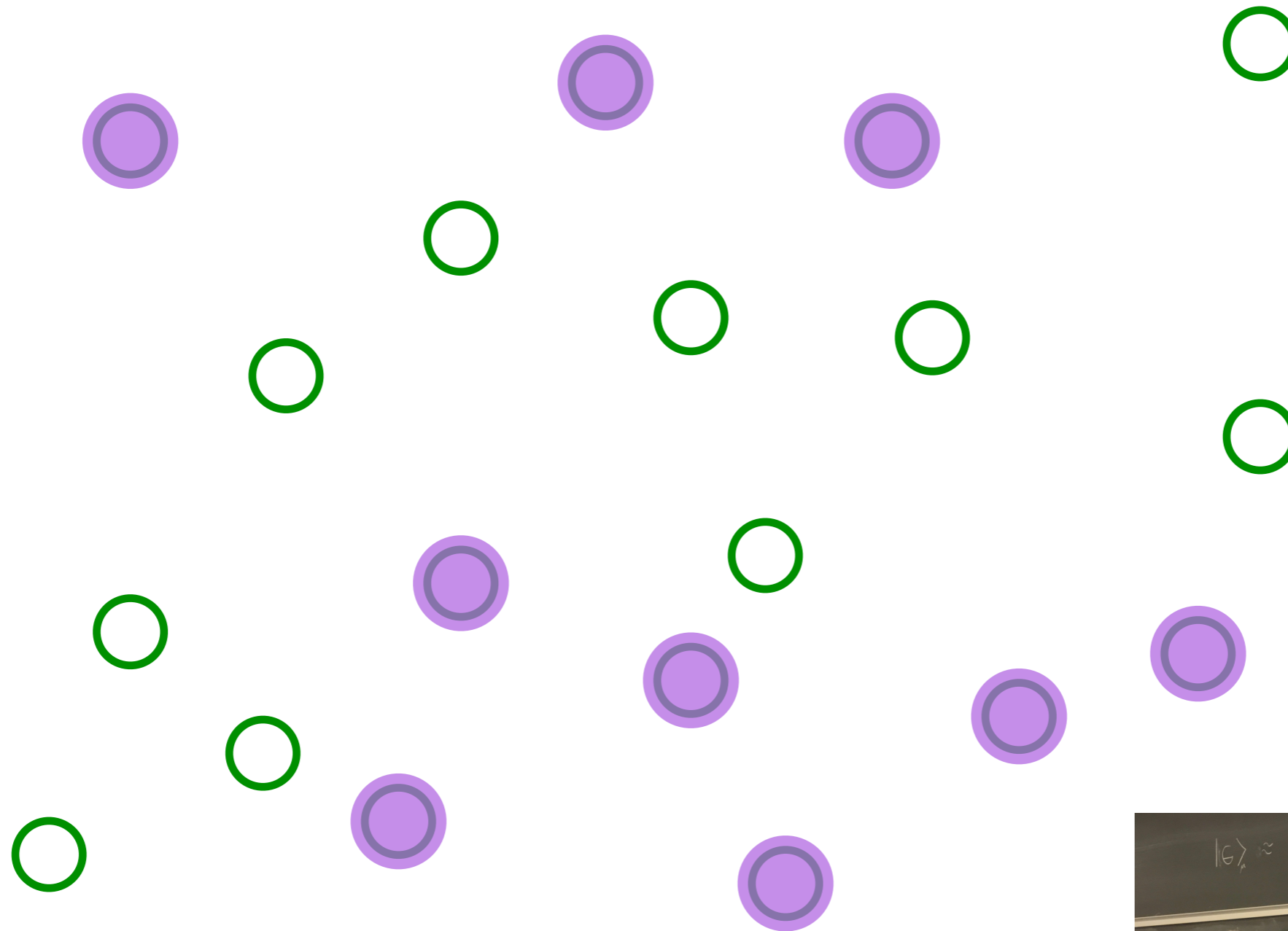
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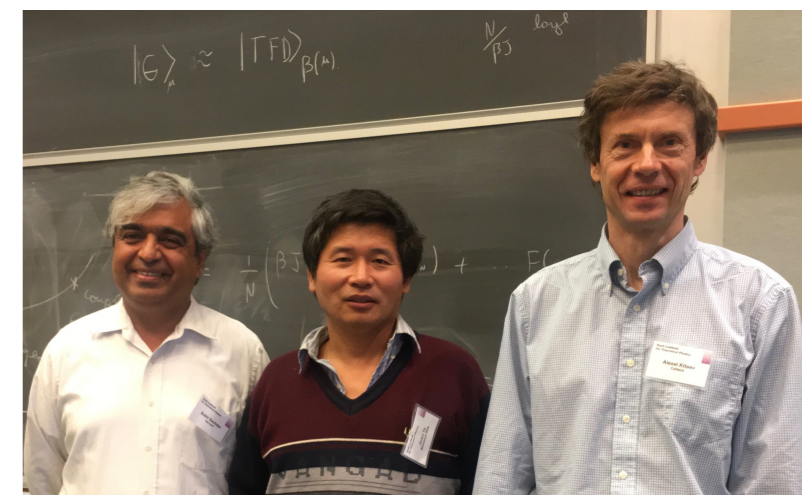
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This describes both a strange metal  
and a black hole!



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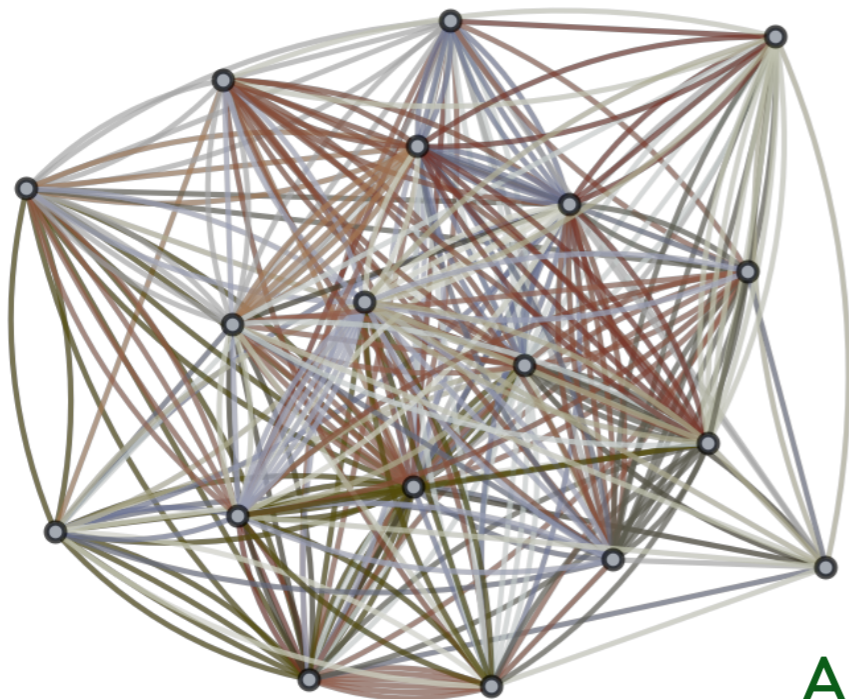
(See also: the “2-Body Random Ensemble” in nuclear physics; did not obtain the large  $N$  limit; T.A. Brody, J. Flores, J.B. French, P.A. Mello, A. Pandey, and S.S.M. Wong, Rev. Mod. Phys. **53**, 385 (1981))

$$H = \frac{1}{(2N)^{3/2}} \sum_{i,j,k,l=1}^N U_{ij;kl} c_i^\dagger c_j^\dagger c_k c_l + e \sum_i c_i^\dagger c_i$$

$$c_i c_j + c_j c_i = 0 \quad , \quad c_i c_j^\dagger + c_j^\dagger c_i = \delta_{ij}$$

$$Q = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i c_i^\dagger c_i$$

$U_{ij;kl}$  are independent random variables with  $\overline{U_{ij;kl}} = 0$  and  $\overline{|U_{ij;kl}|^2} = U^2$   
 $N \rightarrow \infty$  yields critical strange metal.

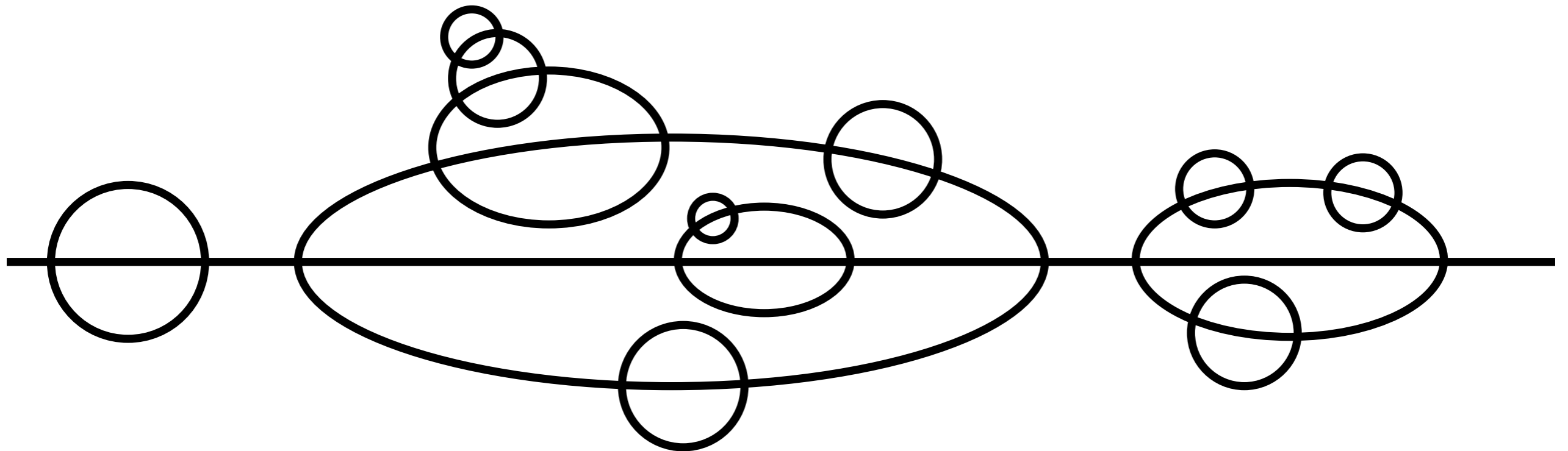


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For long times  $\tau > 0$

$$\left\langle c_i(\tau) c_i^\dagger(0) \right\rangle = \frac{A}{\sqrt{\tau}}$$

$$\left\langle c_i^\dagger(\tau) c_i(0) \right\rangle = e^{-2\pi\mathcal{E}} \frac{A}{\sqrt{\tau}}$$

The parameter  $\mathcal{E}$  determines the particle-hole asymmetry.



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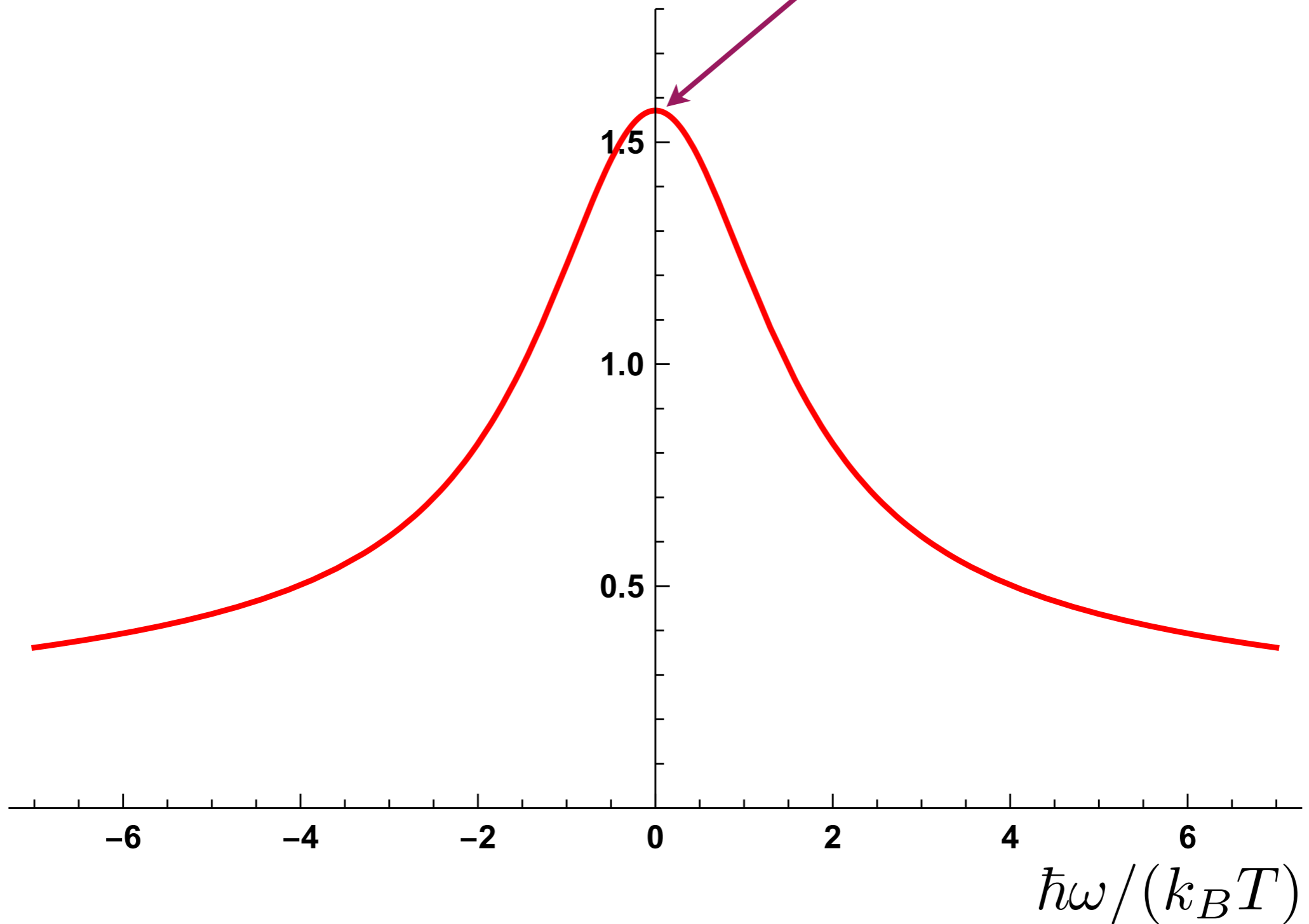
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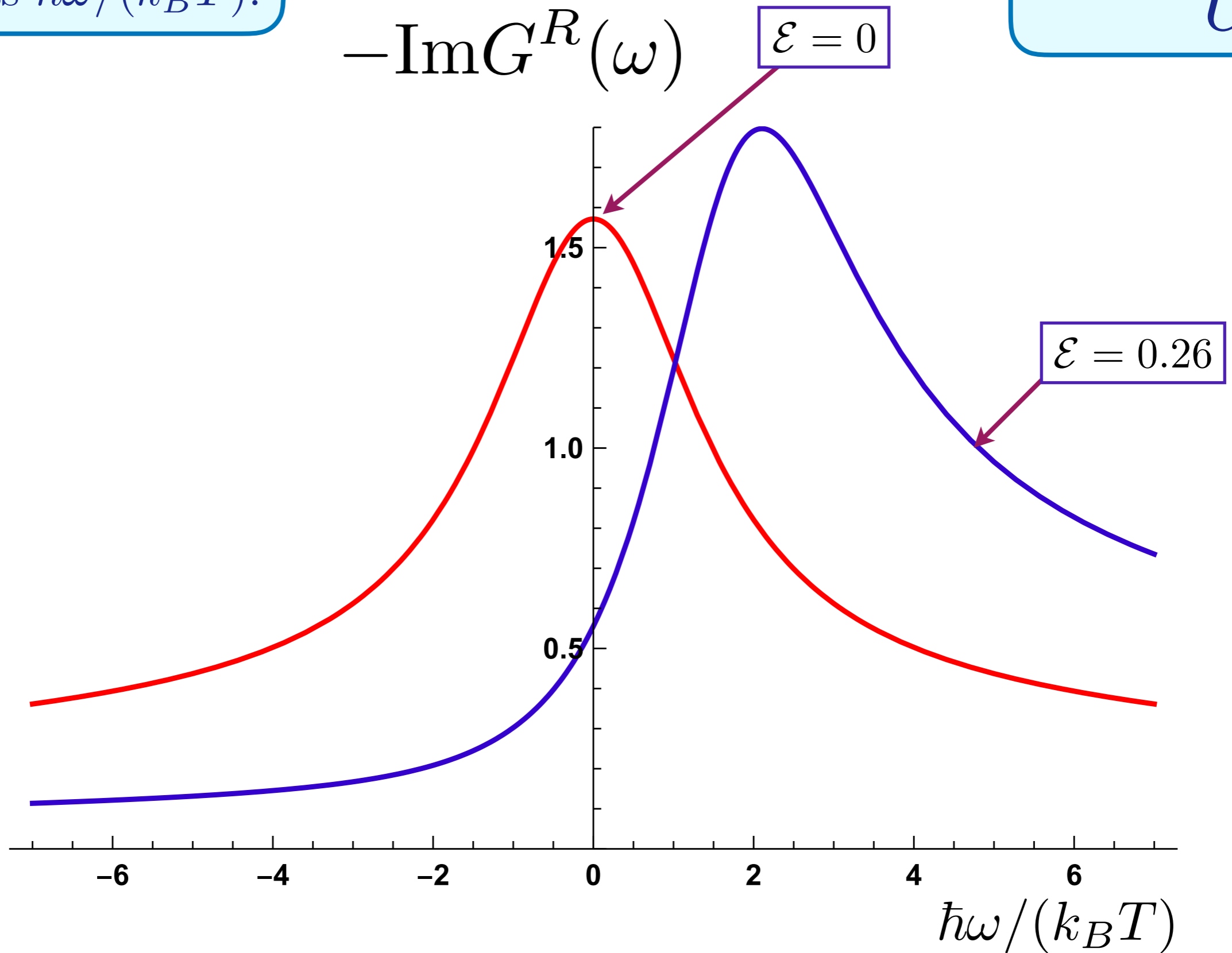
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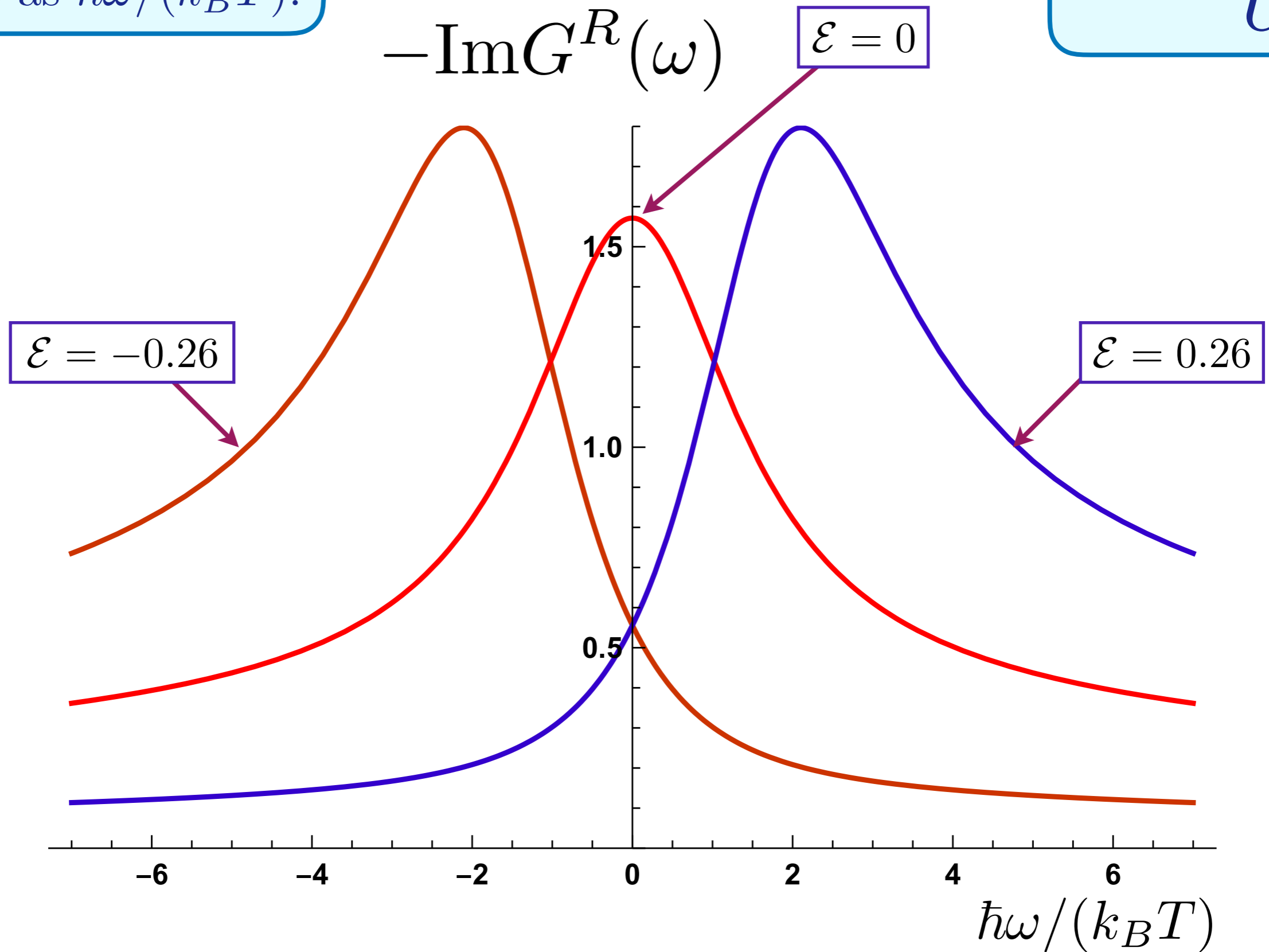
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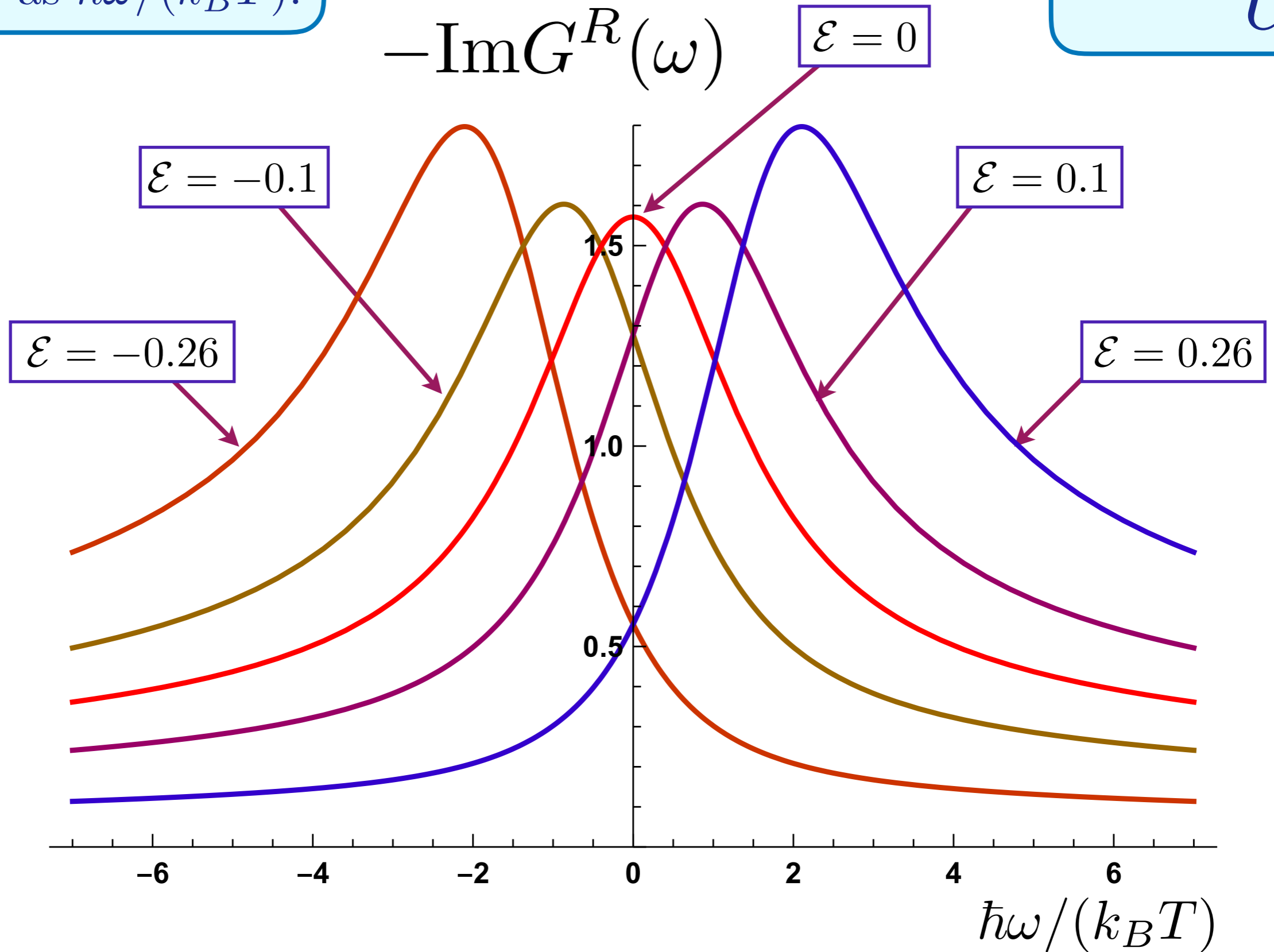
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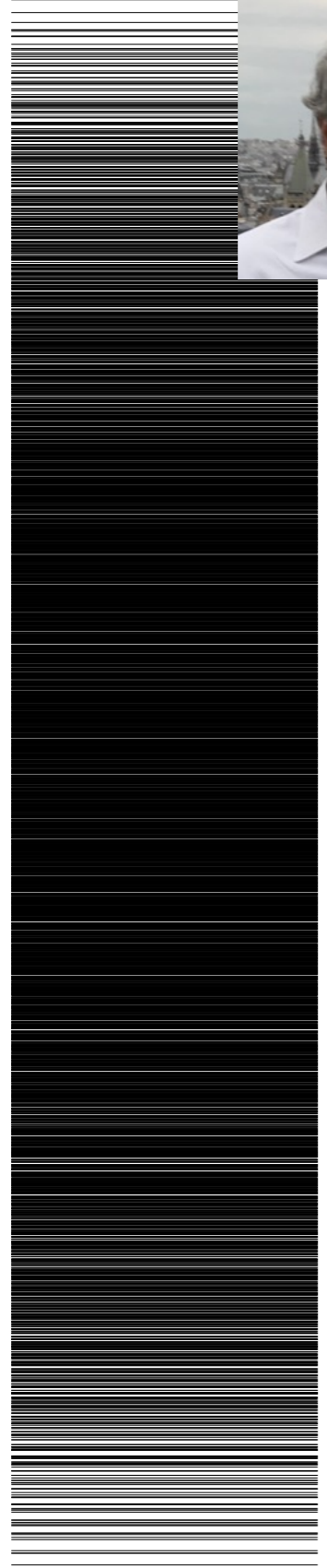
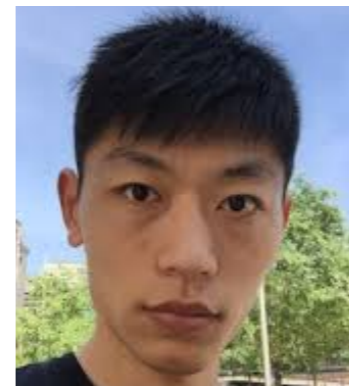
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$$\frac{ds_0}{dQ} = 2\pi\mathcal{E}.$$

At  $Q = 1/2$ ,

$$s_0 = \frac{G}{\pi} + \frac{\ln(2)}{4} = 0.464848\dots$$

where  $G$  is Catalan's constant.



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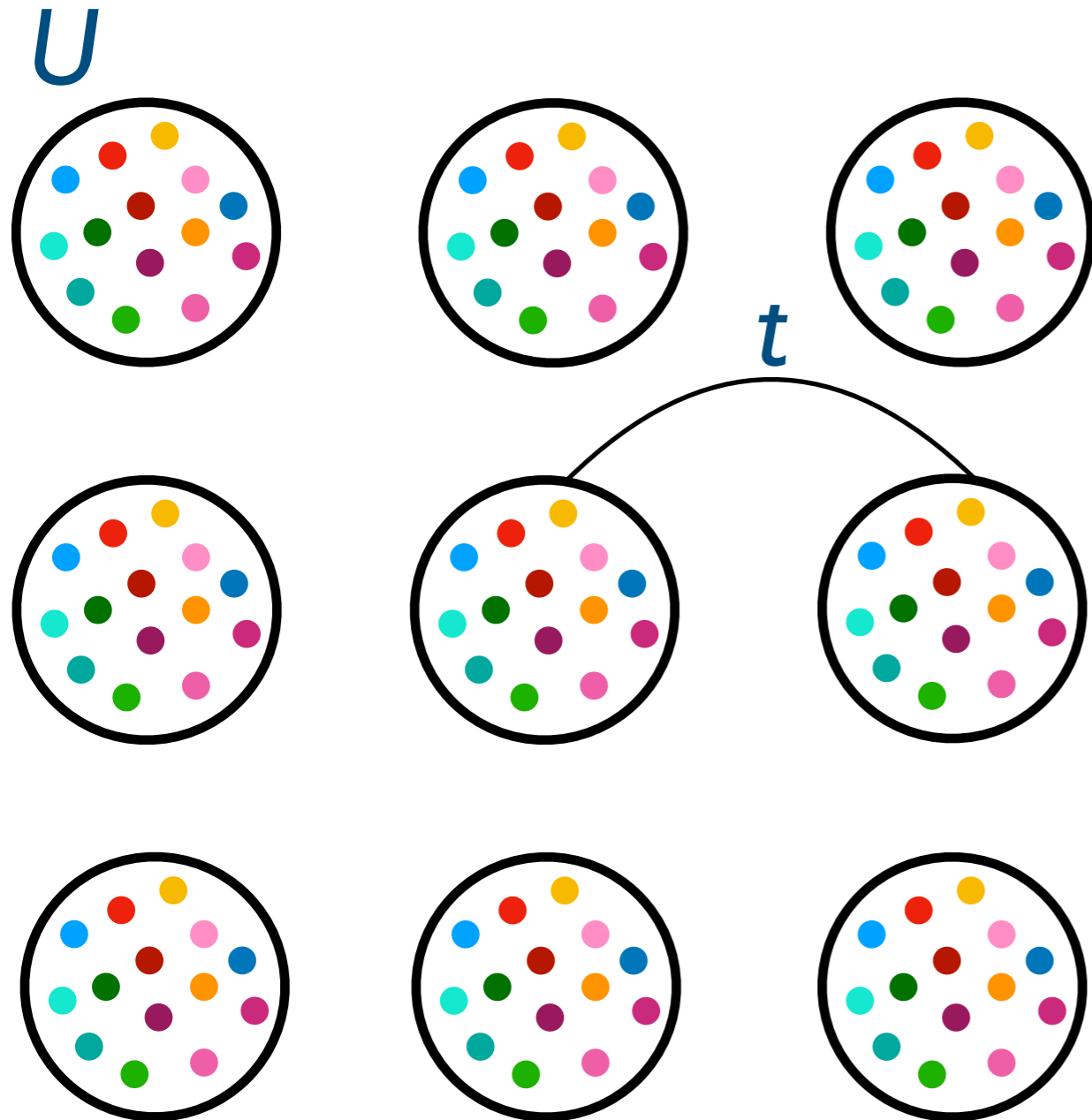
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Translationally-invariant model  
with  $\alpha\beta\gamma\delta \Rightarrow \mathbf{k}$  and  $e_\alpha \Rightarrow e_{\mathbf{k}}$ ,  
yields ‘incoherent metal’  
for  $t^2/U \ll k_B T \ll U$  with  
 $G(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = G_{\text{SYK}}(\hbar\omega/(k_B T))$   
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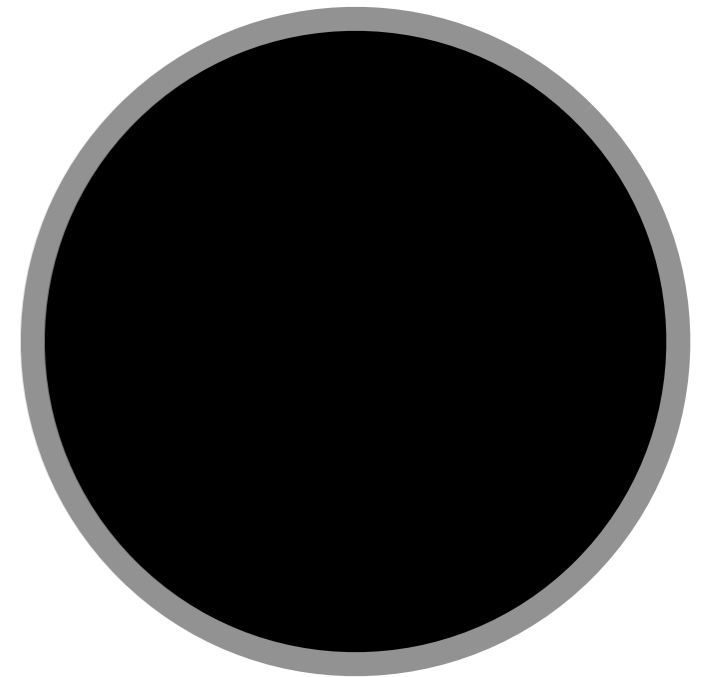
Strange metals:  
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Black  
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# Black Holes

Objects so dense that light is gravitationally bound to them.

In Einstein's theory, the region inside the black hole **horizon** is disconnected from the rest of the universe.



# Quantum Black holes

- Black holes have an entropy and a temperature,  $T_H$
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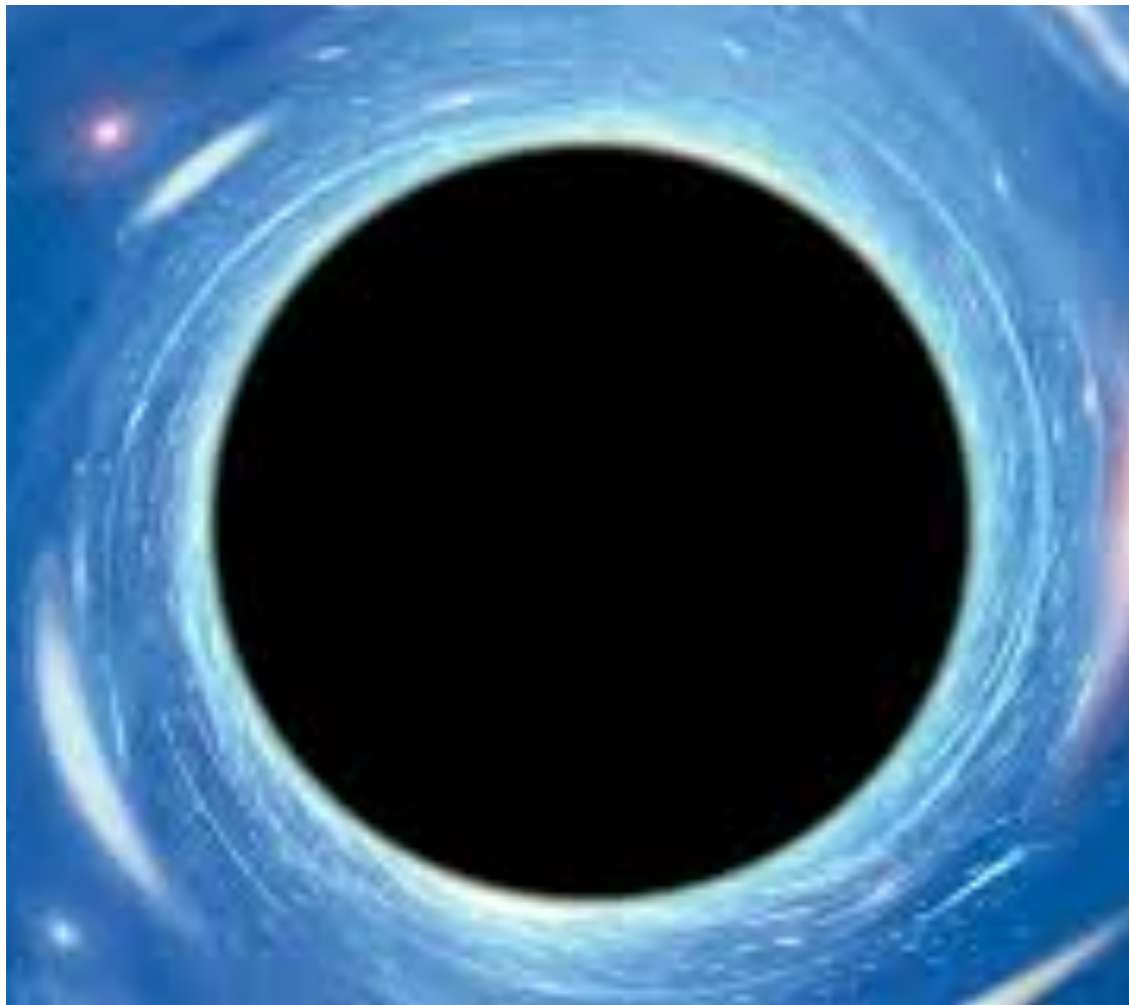
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Quantum black holes “look like” quantum many-particle systems without quasiparticle excitations, residing “on” the surface of the black hole

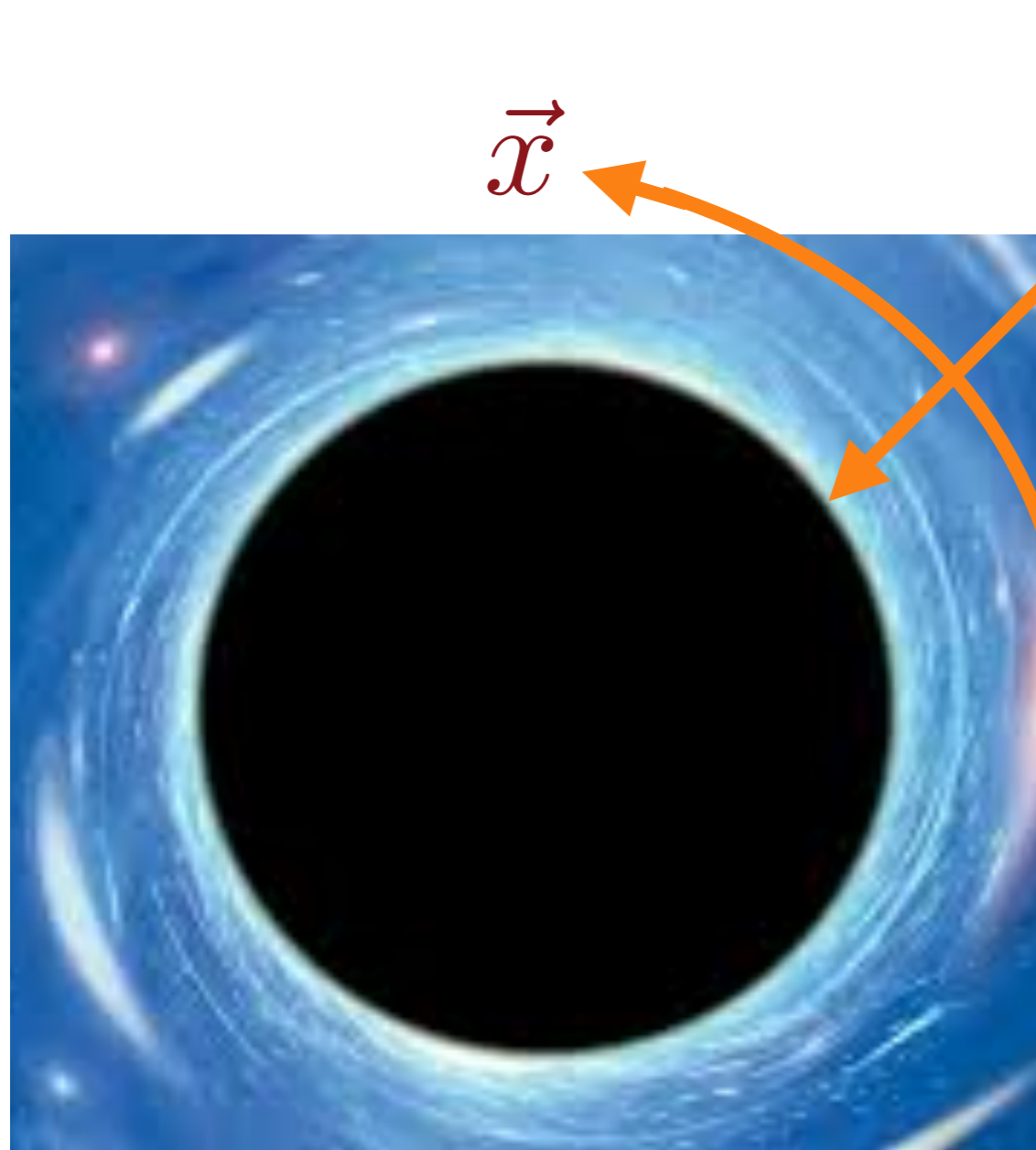


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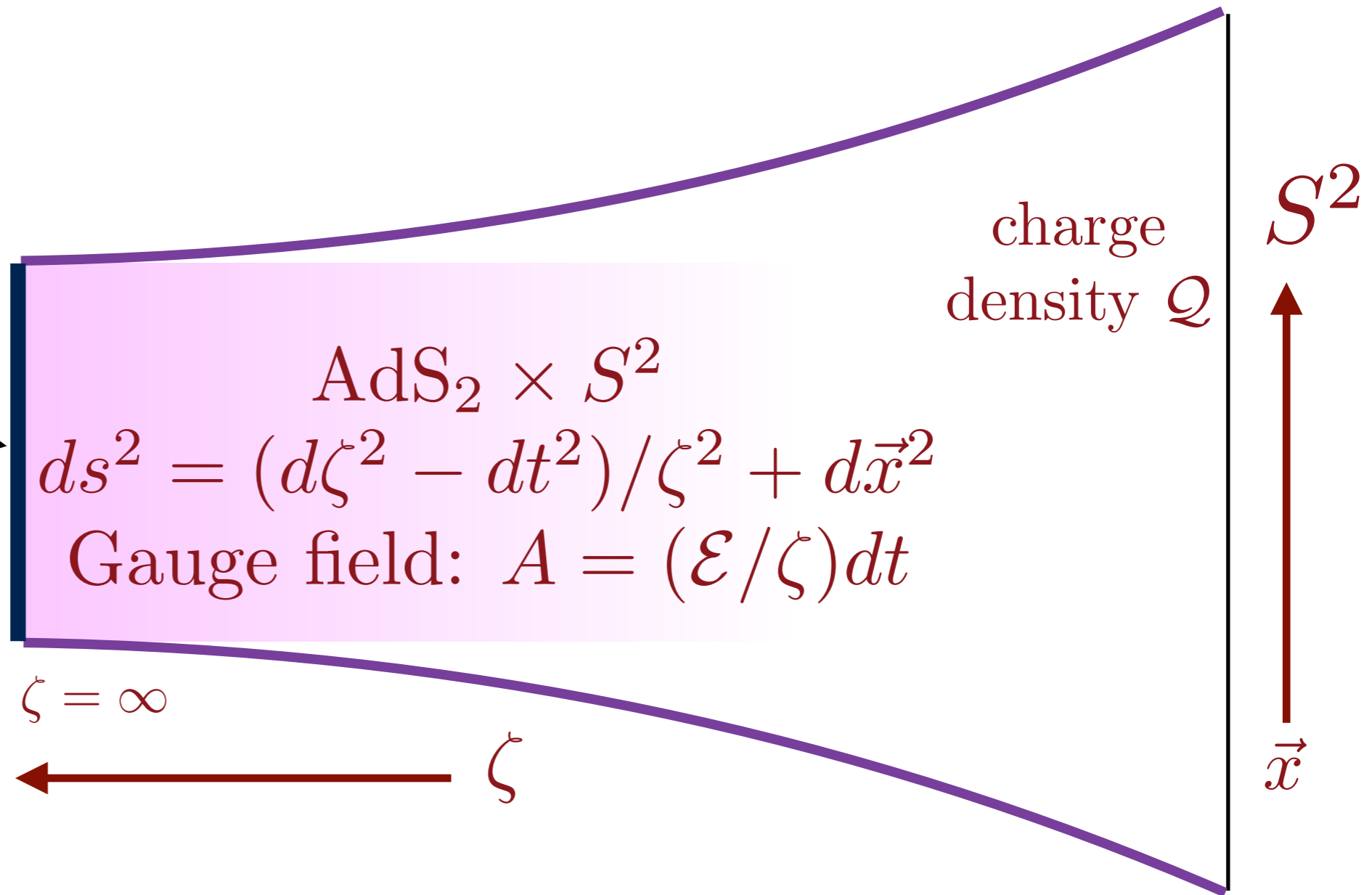


Zooming into the near-horizon region of a charged black hole at low temperature, yields a quantum theory in one space ( $\zeta$ ) and one time dimension

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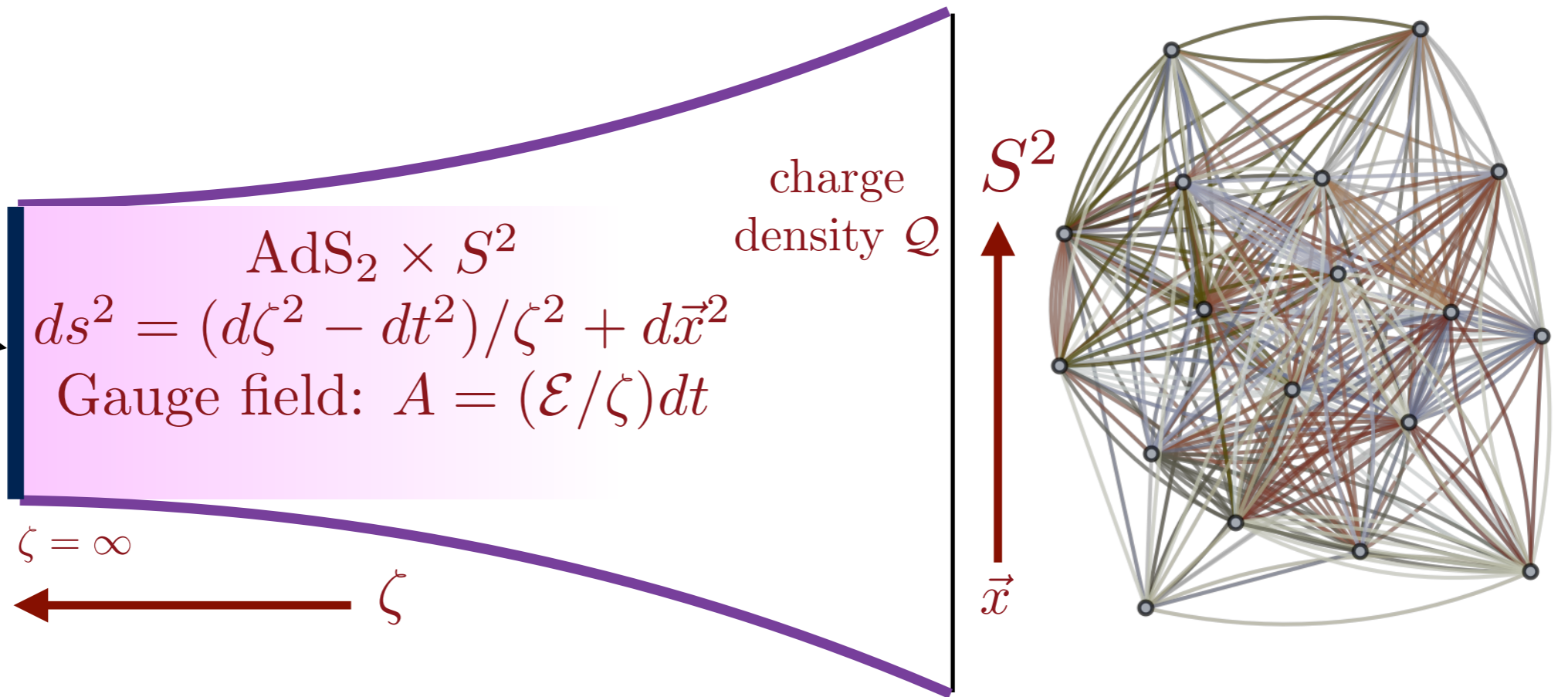


The near-horizon region of a charged black hole has the geometry of (1+1)-dimensional anti-de Sitter spacetime. By holography, this should map to a zero-dimensional quantum system: this turns out to be the SYK model

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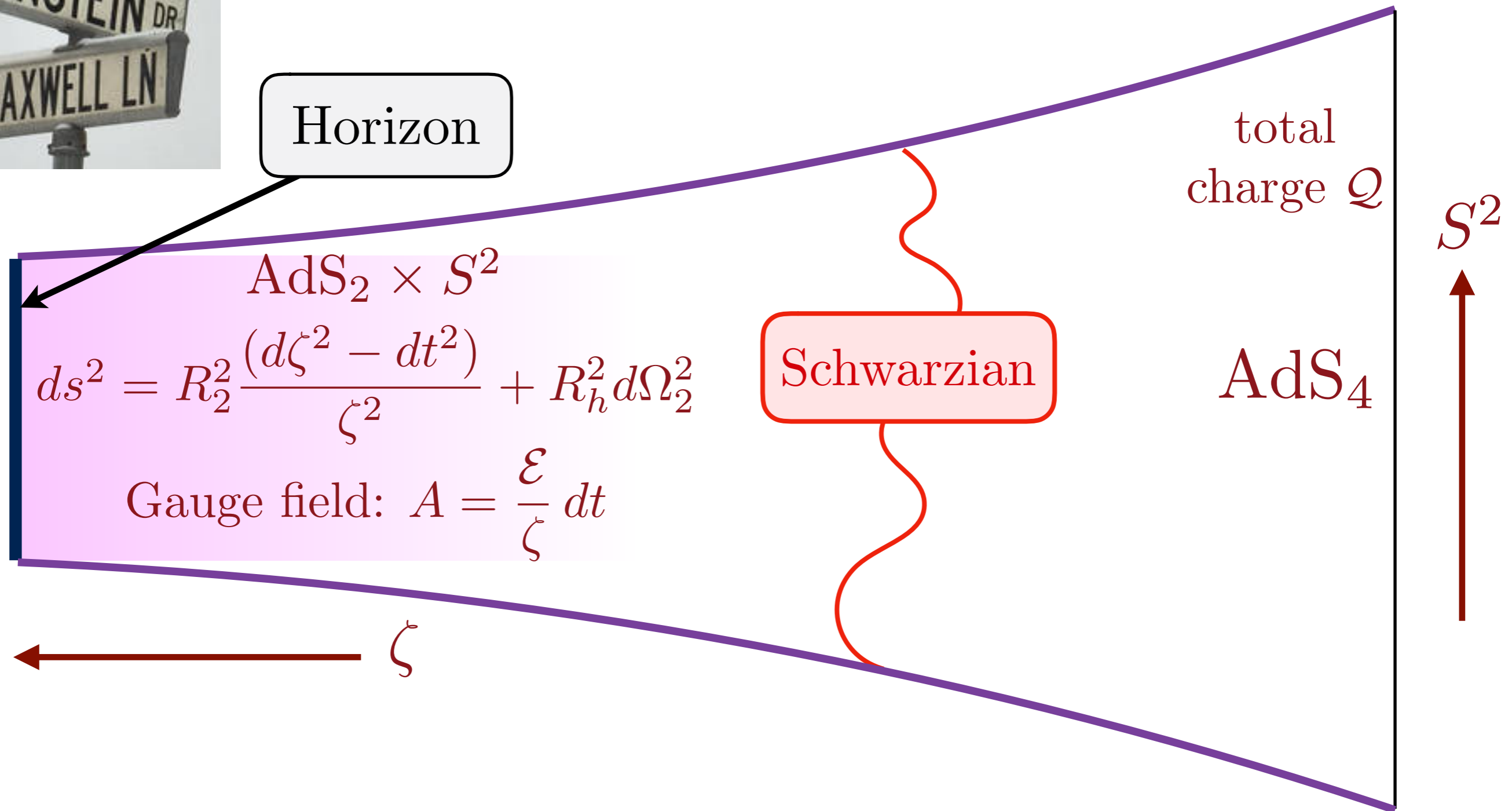
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Bekenstein-Hawking entropy of  $AdS_2$  horizon at  $T = 0 \Leftrightarrow N s_0$  entropy of SYK model.

$\frac{\partial s_0}{\partial \mathcal{Q}} = 2\pi\mathcal{E}$  holds for both the black hole and the SYK model, where  $\mathcal{E}$  determines identical fermion spectral functions.

# SYK model and charged black holes



Remarkably, the correspondence between charged black holes and the SYK model also holds for the leading fluctuations at higher temperatures: both are described by a ‘Schwarzian’ theory with emergent  $SL(2, \mathbb{R})$  and  $U(1)$  gauge symmetries. For the black hole, the Schwarzian describes the fluctuations of the boundary between  $AdS_2$  and  $AdS_4$ .

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The common low  $T$  path integral is  $\mathcal{Z} = \int \mathcal{D}f \mathcal{D}\phi e^{-I}$ . This can be exactly evaluated, and the action is

$$I = -s_0 + \int_0^{1/T} d\tau \left\{ \frac{K}{2} \left( \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial\tau} + i(2\pi\mathcal{E}T) \frac{\partial f}{\partial\tau} \right)^2 - \frac{\gamma}{4\pi^2} \text{Sch}[\tan(\pi T f(\tau)), \tau] \right\},$$

where  $f(\tau)$  is a monotonic reparameterization of the temporal circle with

$$f(\tau + 1/T) = f(\tau) + 1/T,$$

$\phi$  is a phase conjugate to the charge density with

$$\phi(\tau + 1/T) = \phi(\tau) + 2\pi n, \quad n \text{ integer},$$

$\text{Sch}[g[\tau], \tau]$  is the Schwarzian derivative of  $g(\tau)$ .

The couplings are related to the entropy  $S(T, Q)$  and the chemical potential  $\mu$  via

$$S(T \rightarrow 0, Q) = s_0 + \gamma T, \quad K = \left( \frac{dQ}{d\mu} \right)_{T \rightarrow 0}, \quad 2\pi\mathcal{E} = \frac{ds_0}{dQ}$$

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- Closely related to, but not the usual AdS/CFT correspondence, which involves only neutral black holes at  $T > 0$ .
- Unlike the AdS/CFT correspondence, *both* sides of the duality are fully solvable. This has enabled numerous recent studies of black holes quantum information.

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