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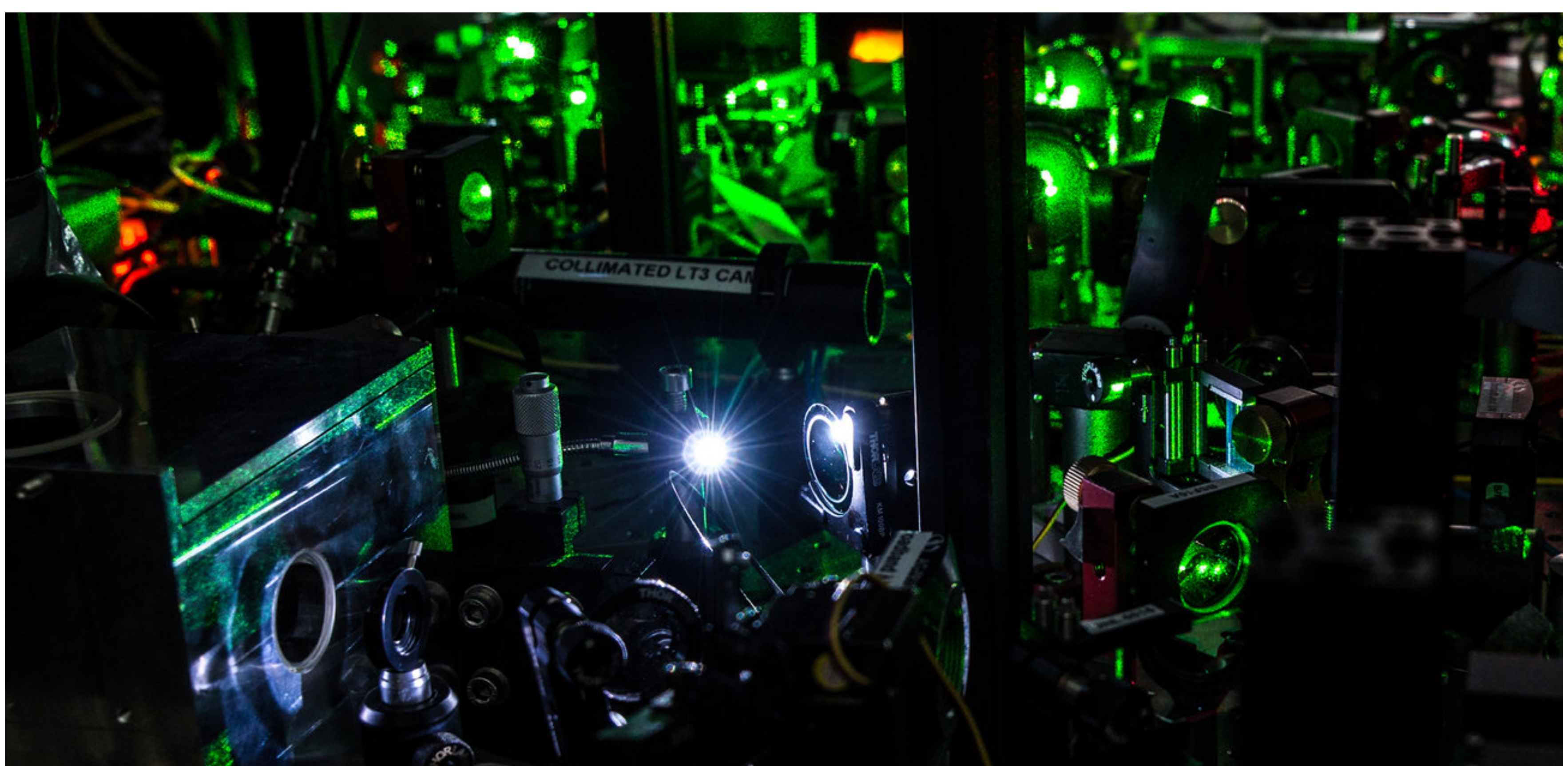

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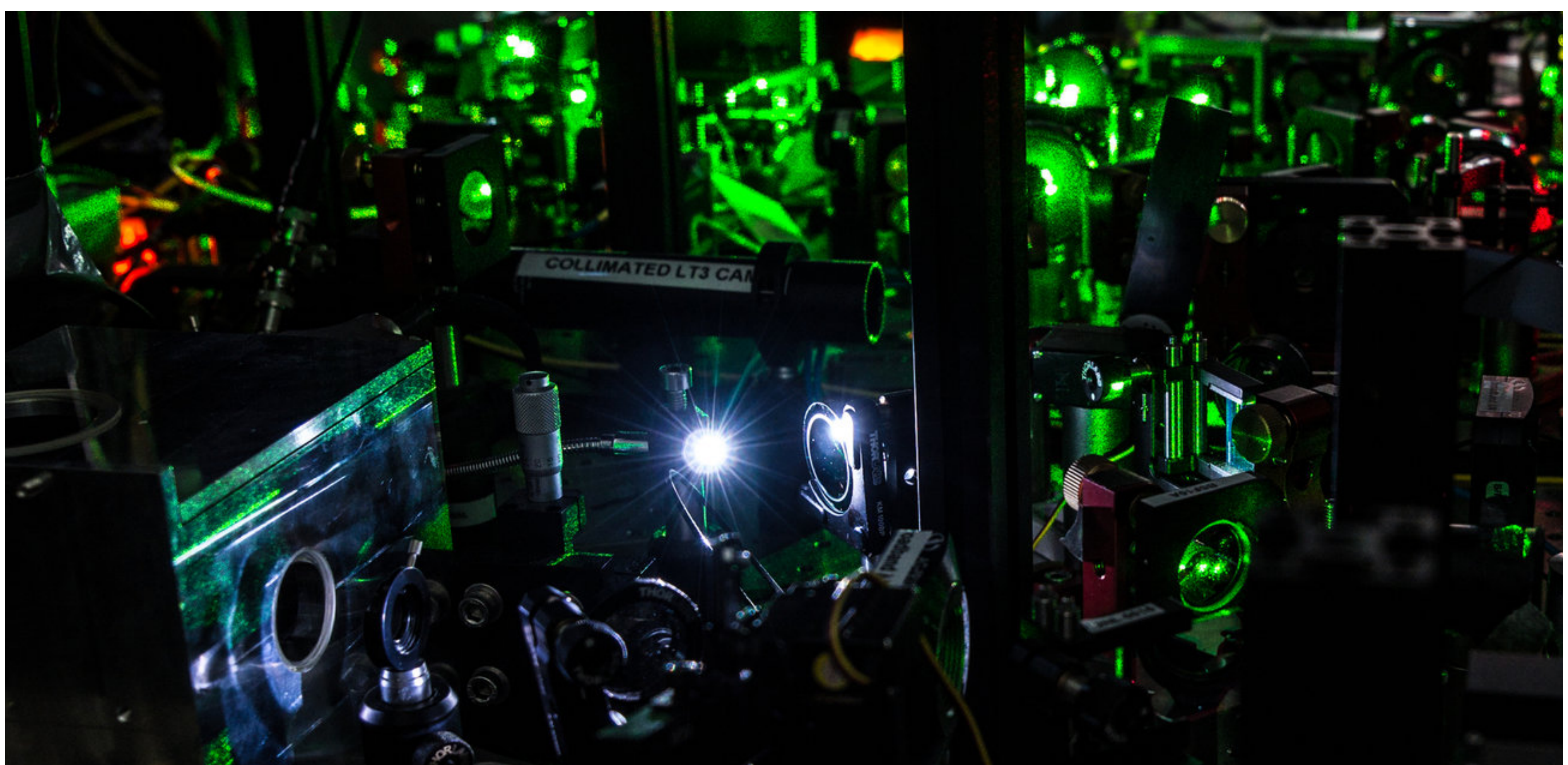

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Quantum entanglement

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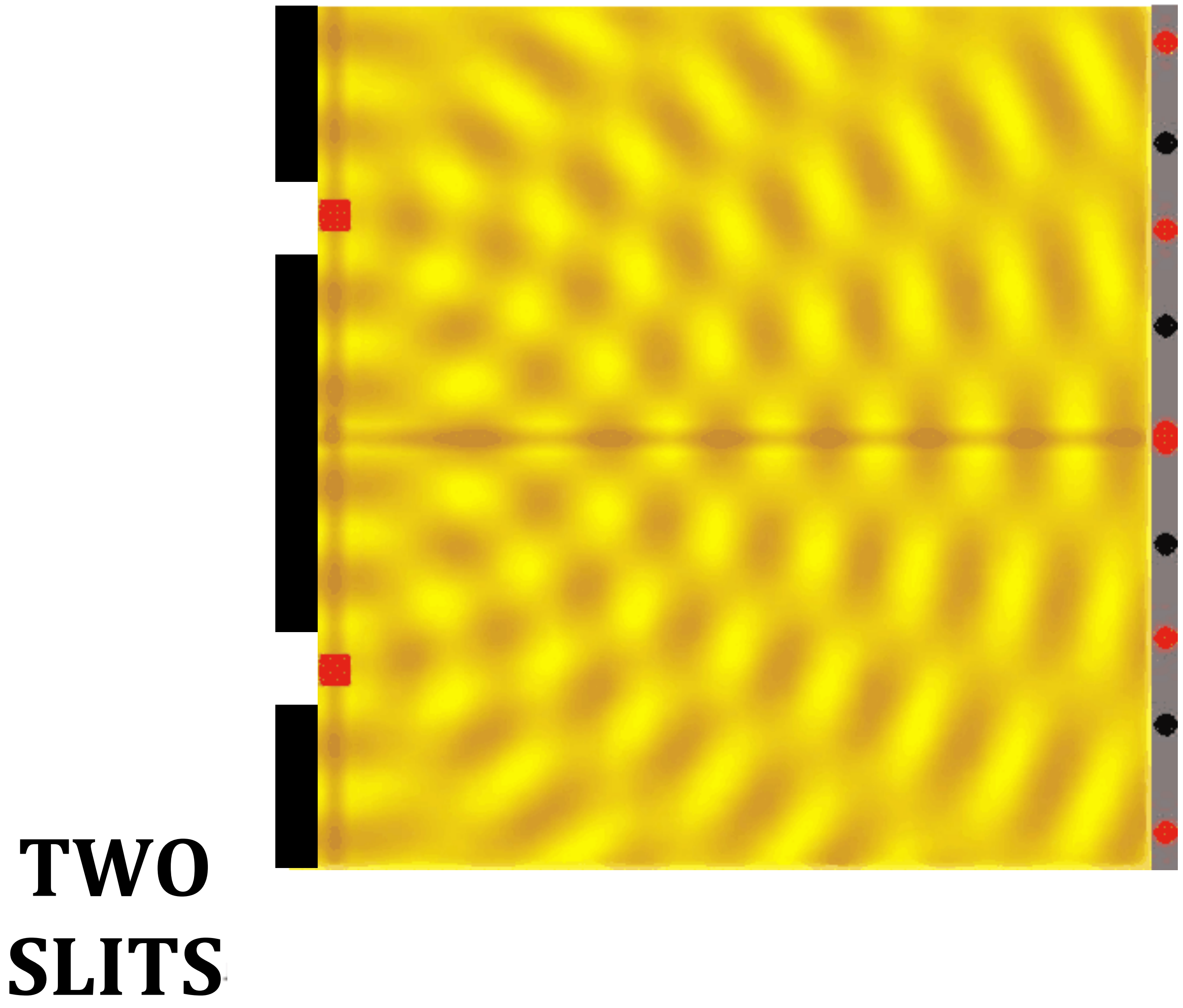

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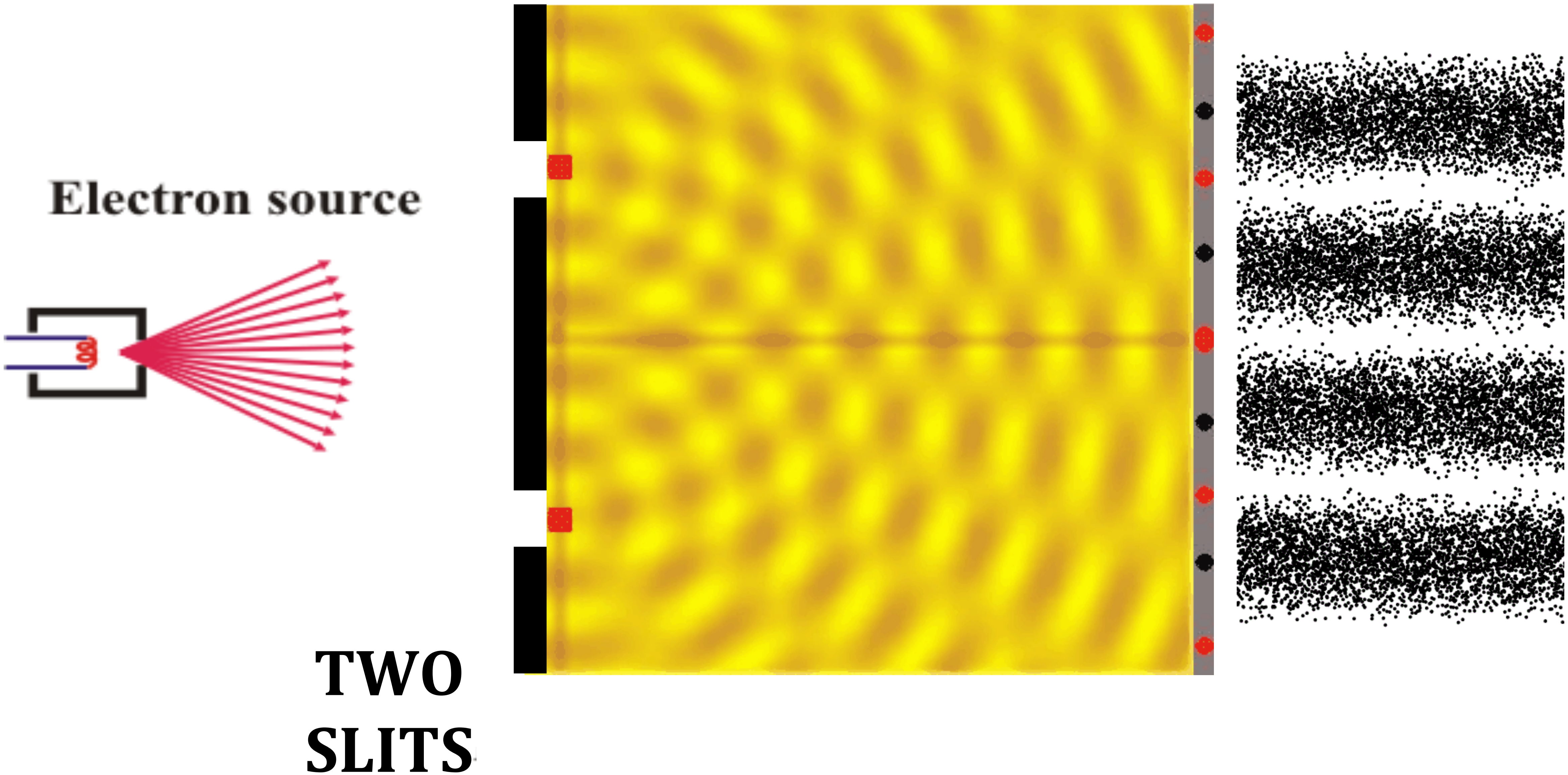

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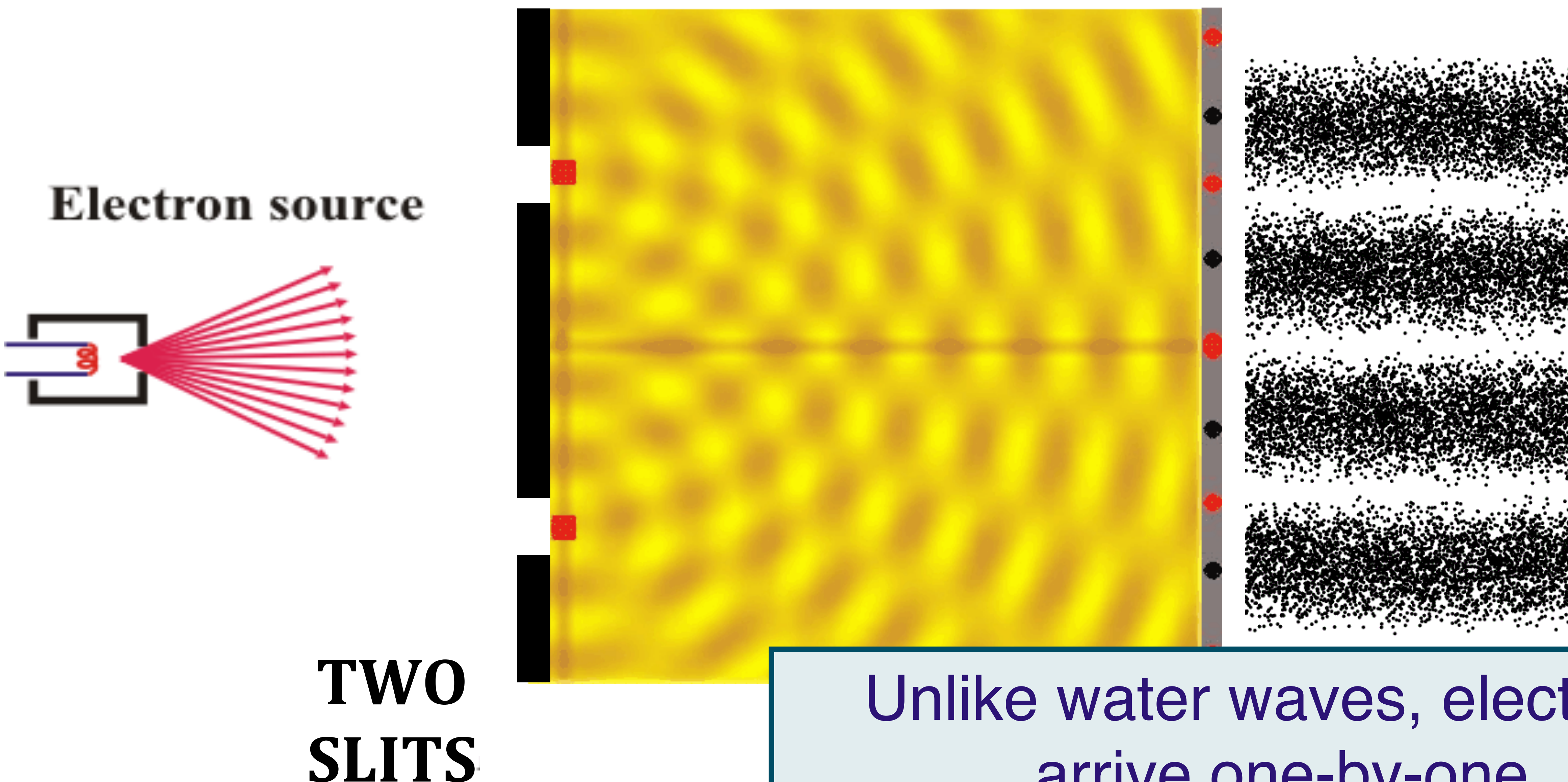

Unlike water waves, electrons arrive one-by-one (so is it like a particle ?)

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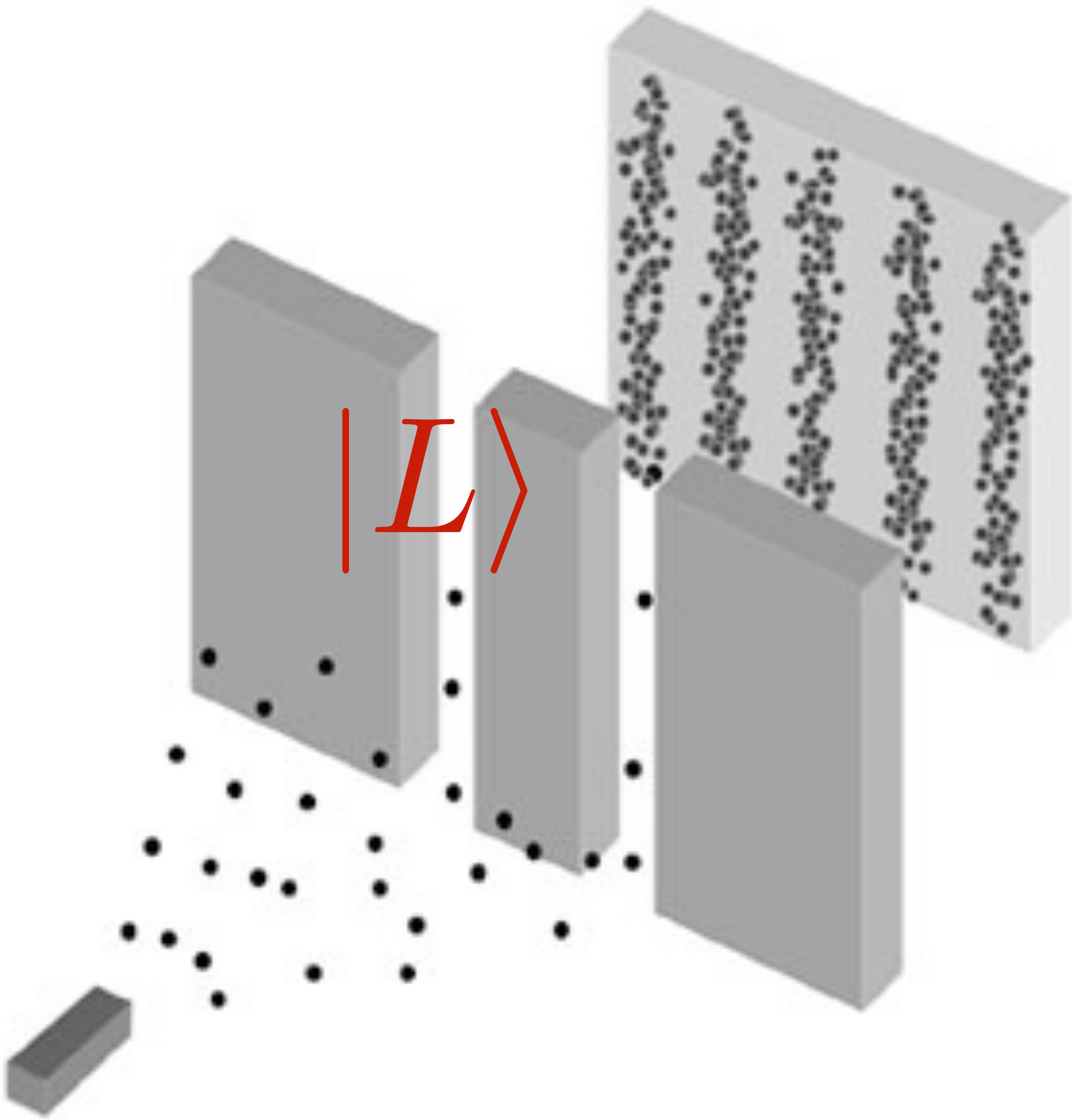

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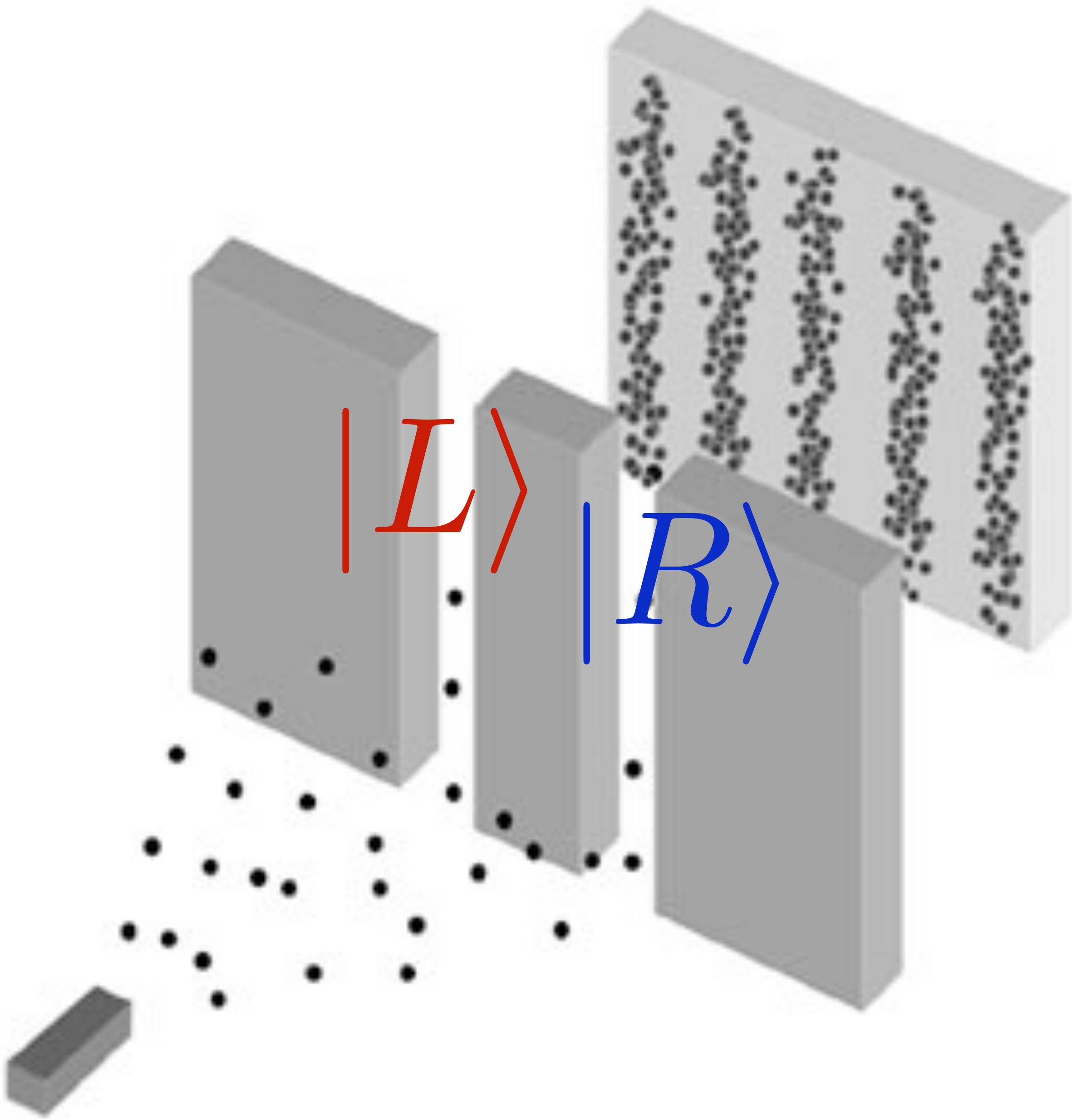

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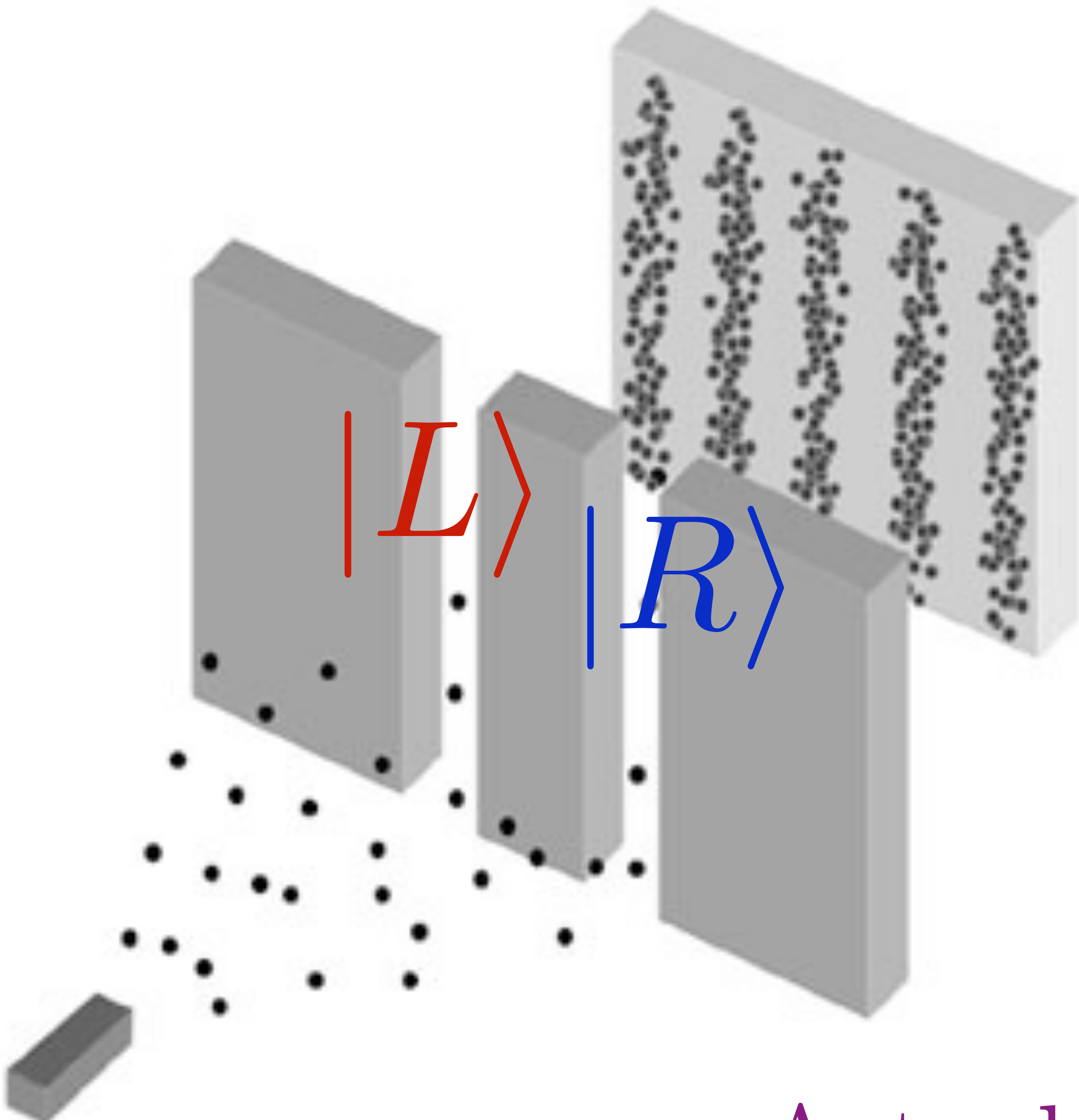

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Actual state of *each* electron is

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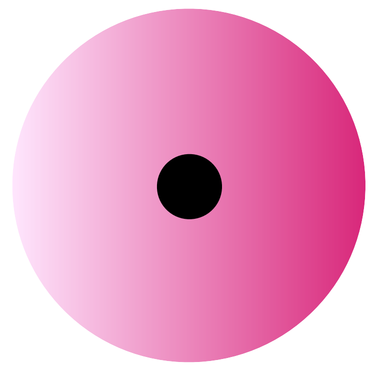
Hydrogen atom:  $|\uparrow\rangle$

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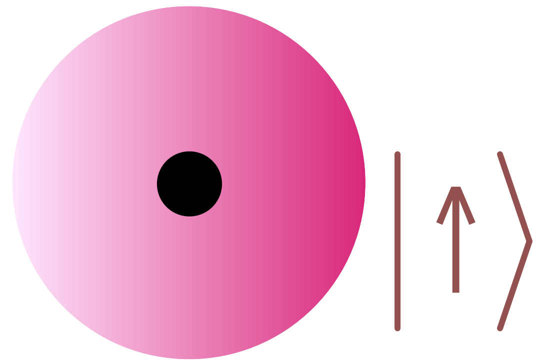
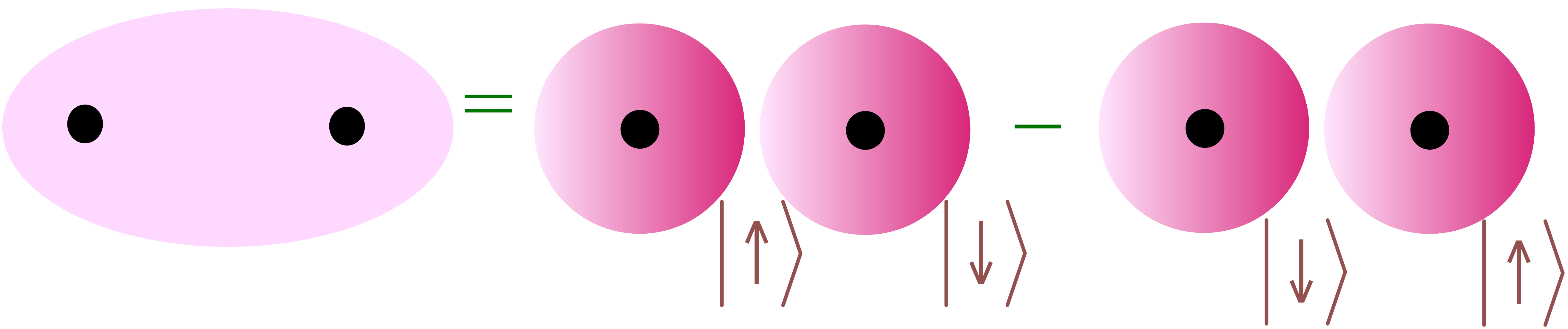


Hydrogen molecule:



$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle \right)$$

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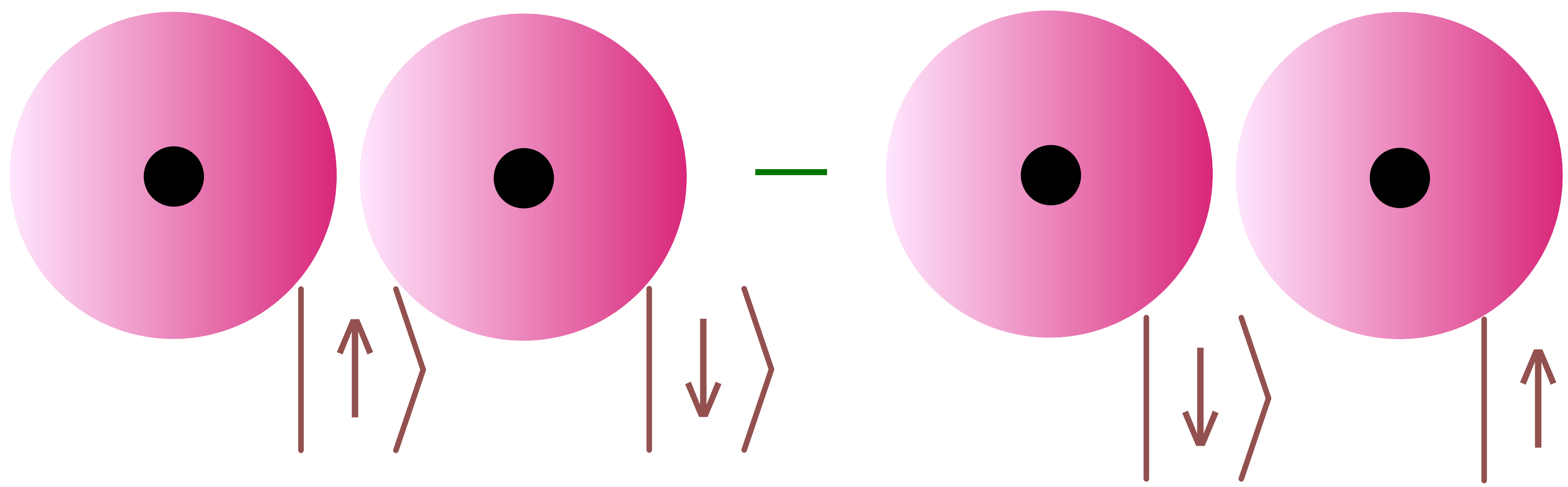

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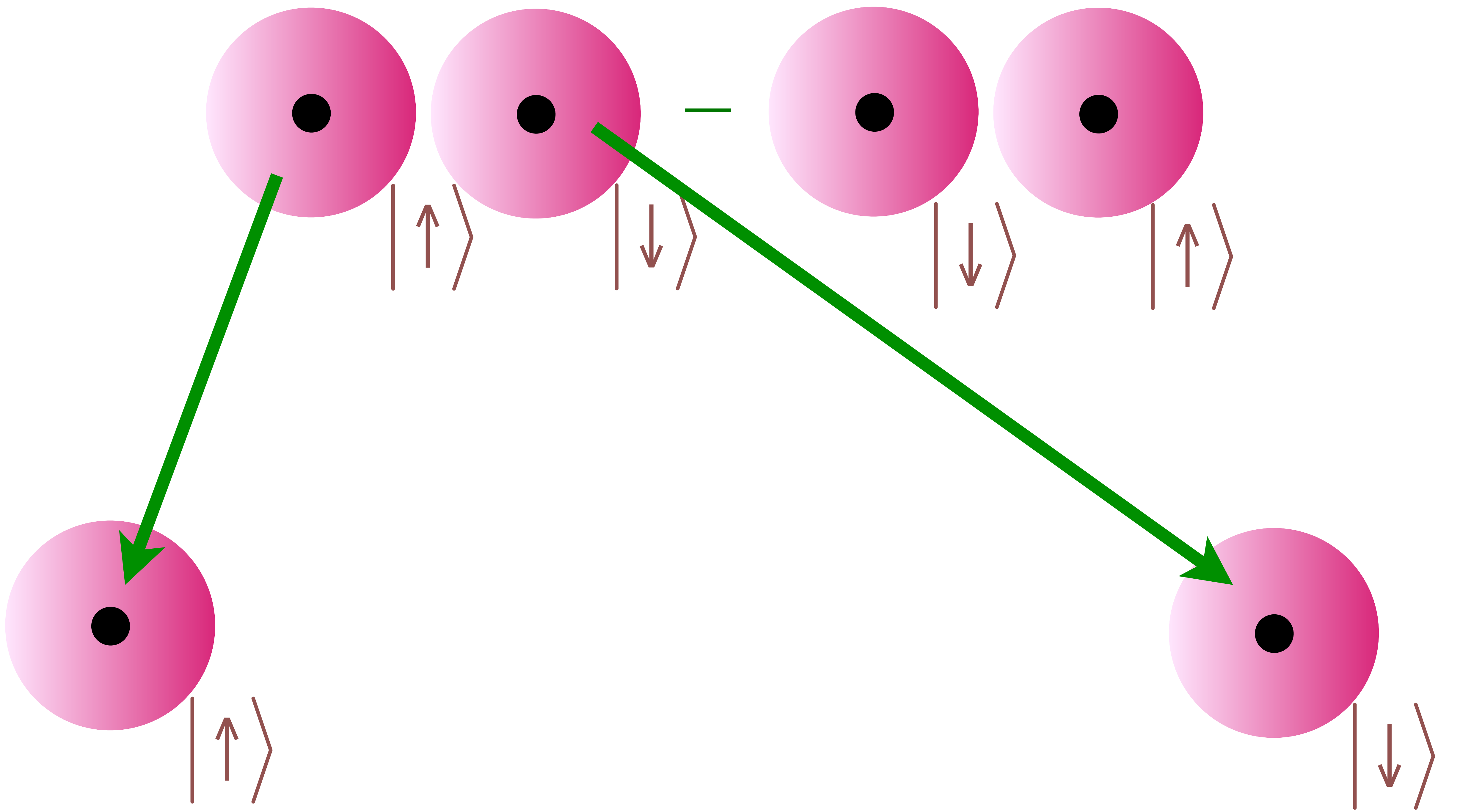

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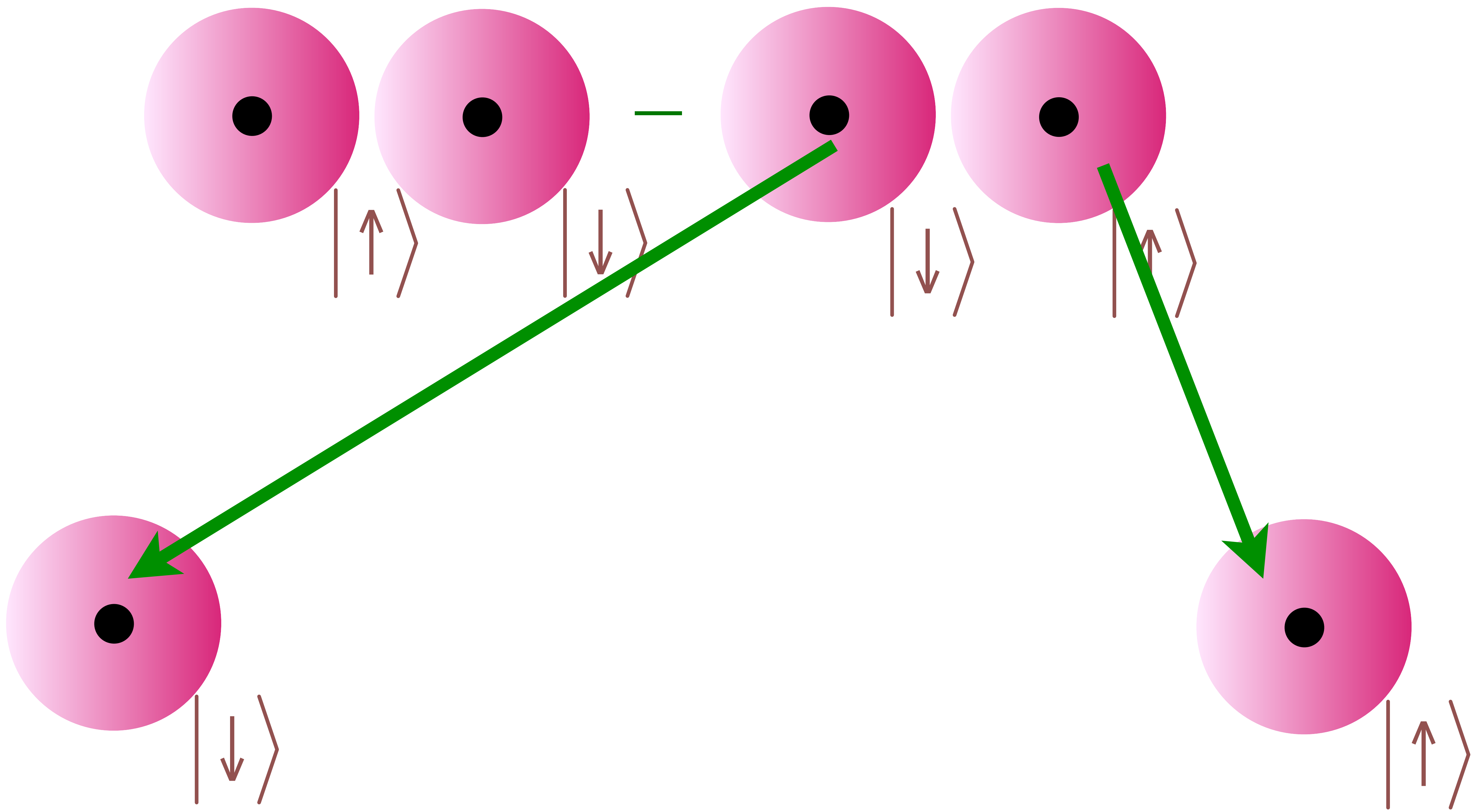

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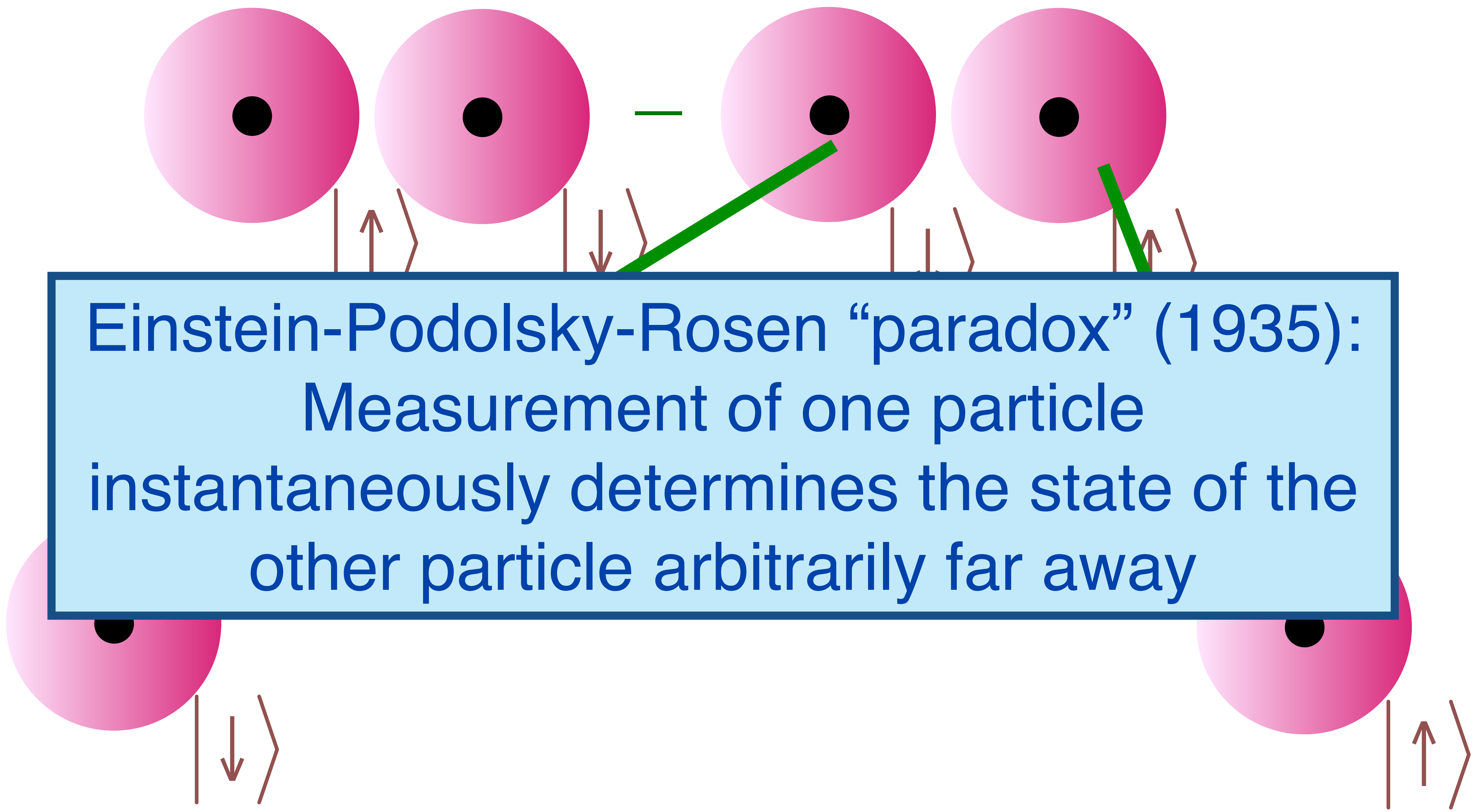

Einstein-Podolsky-Rosen "paradox" (1935): Measurement of one particle instantaneously determines the state of the other particle arbitrarily far away

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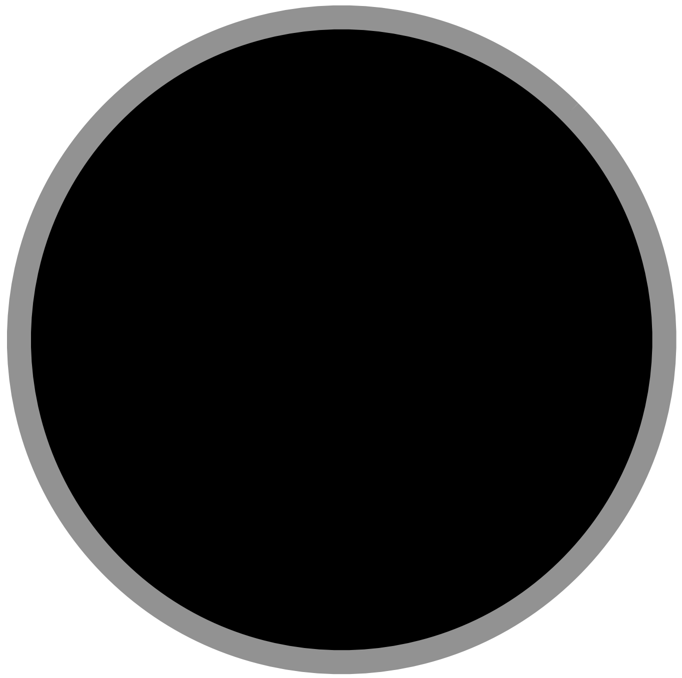
Black Holes

Objects so dense that light is gravitationally bound to them.

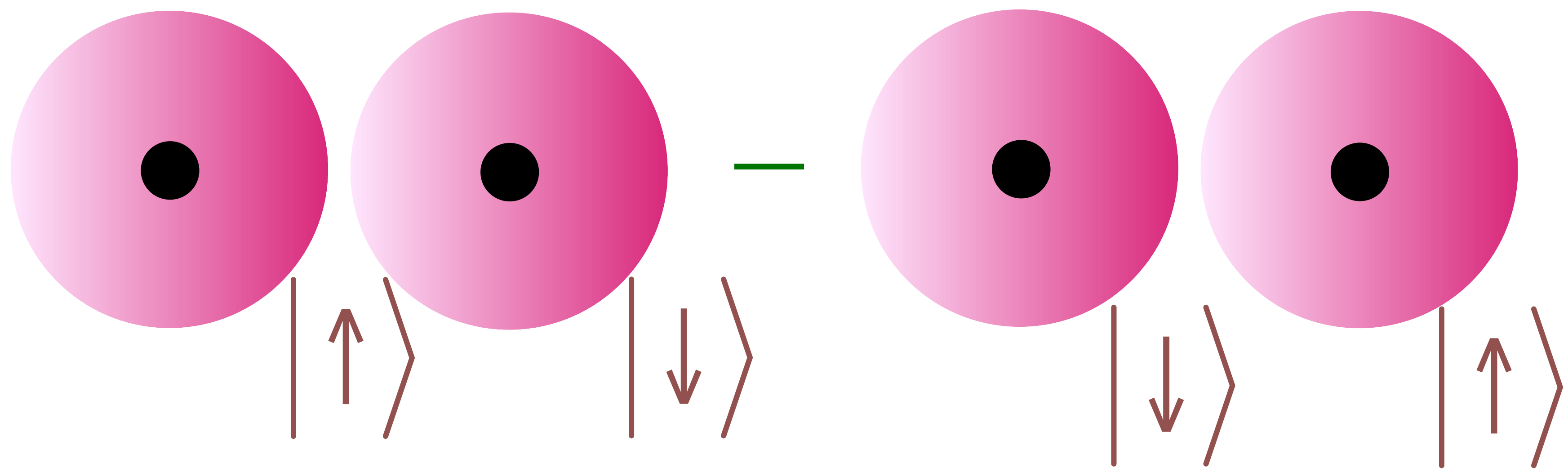
In Einstein's theory, the region inside the black hole **horizon** is disconnected from the rest of the universe.



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

G Newton's constant, c velocity of light, M mass of black hole

Quantum Entanglement across a black hole horizon



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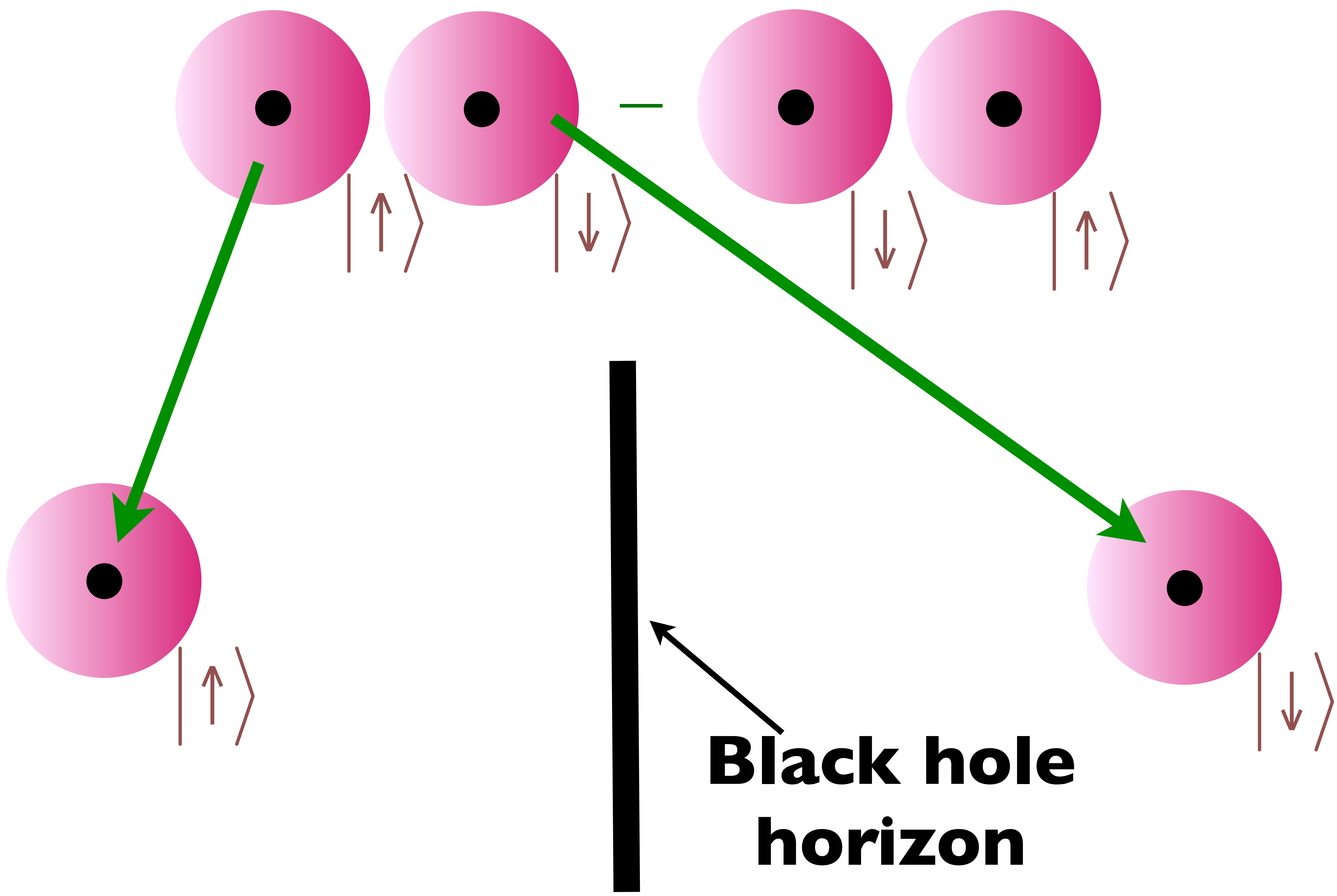

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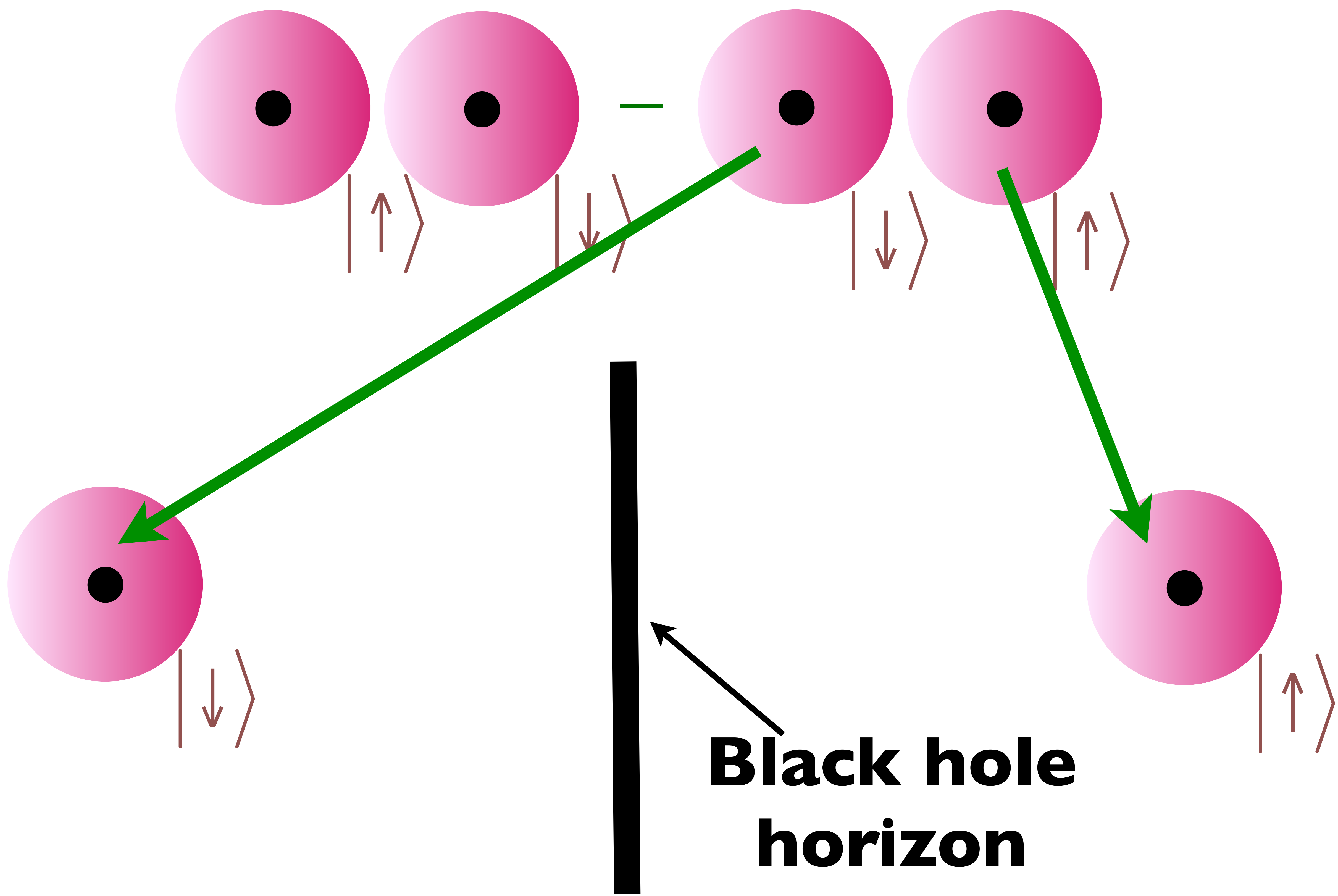
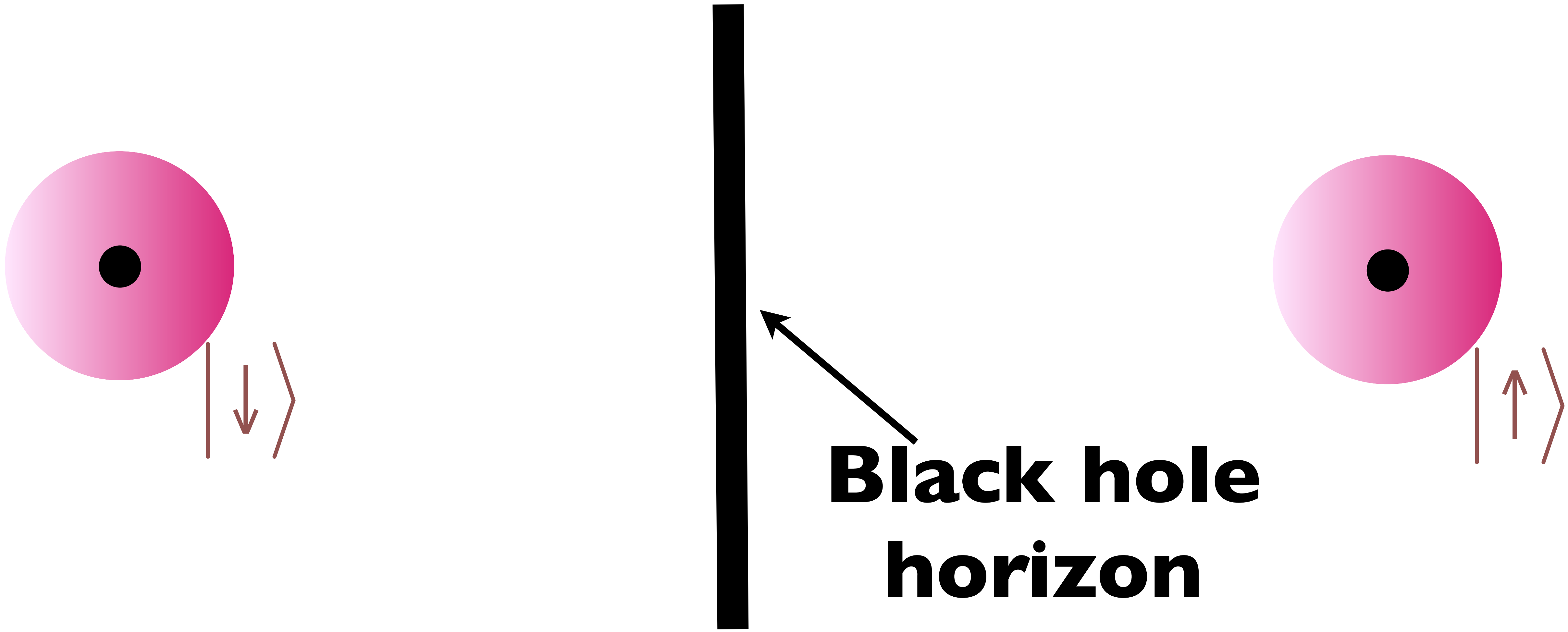


Quantum Entanglement across a black hole horizon

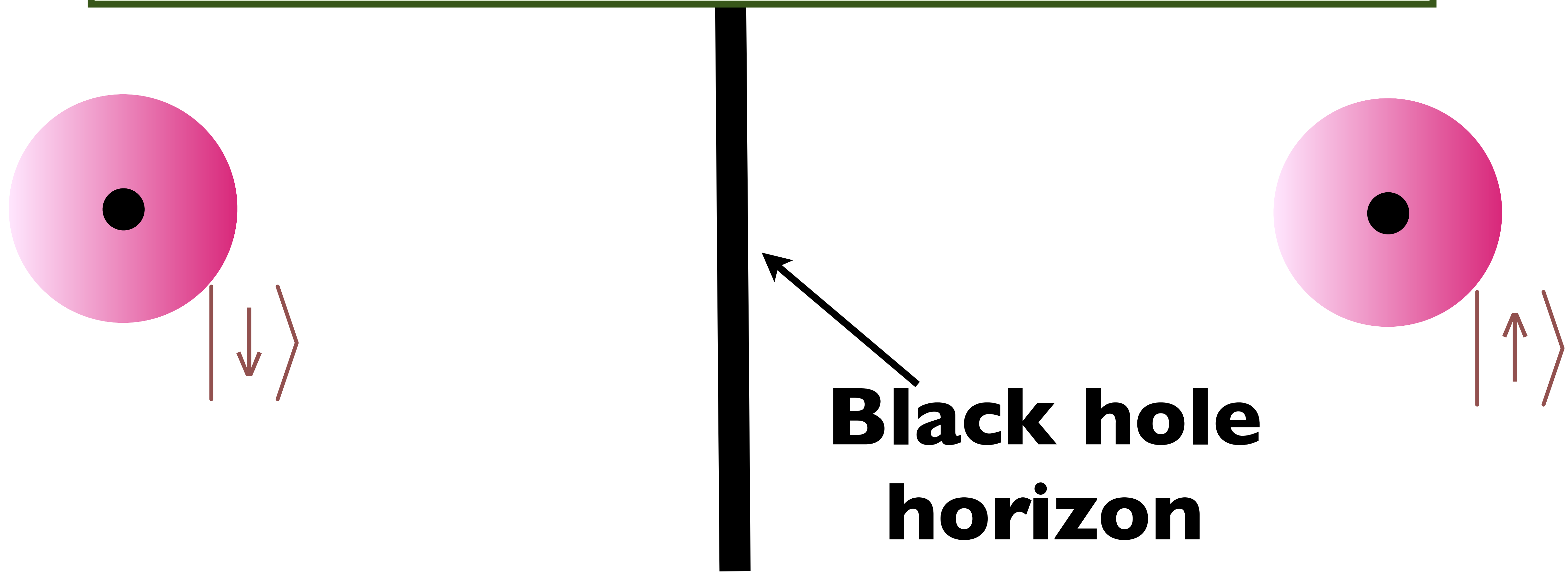
There is quantum entanglement between the inside and outside of a black hole



Quantum Entanglement across a black hole horizon

Hawking used this to show that black hole horizons have an entropy and a temperature

(because to an outside observer, the state of the electron inside the black hole is an unknown)



Quantum Black holes

- Black holes have an entropy and a temperature, T_H
- The entropy is proportional to their surface area.

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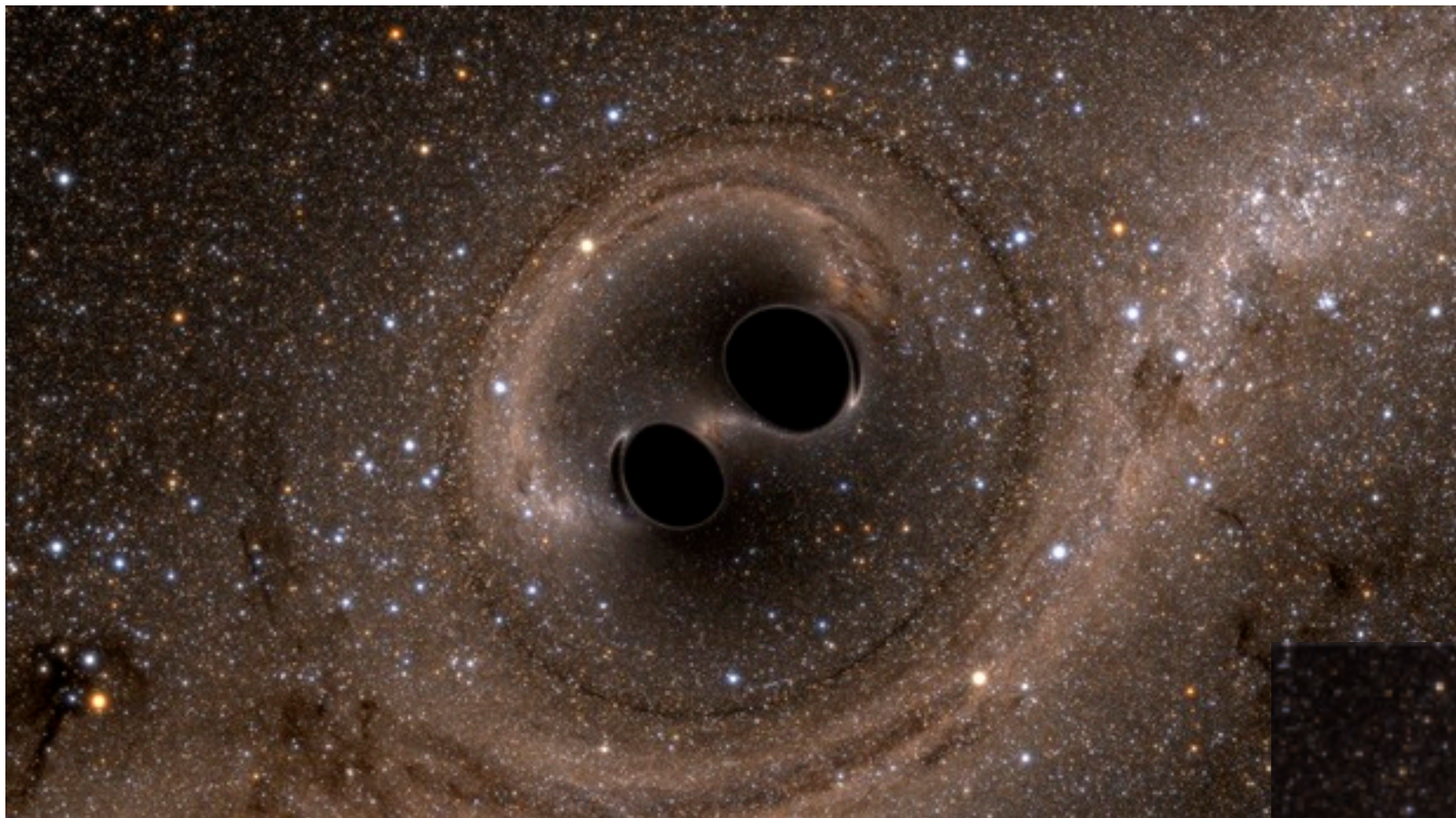
On September 14, 2015, LIGO detected the merger of two black holes, each weighing about 30 solar masses, with radii of about 100 km, 1.3 billion light years away



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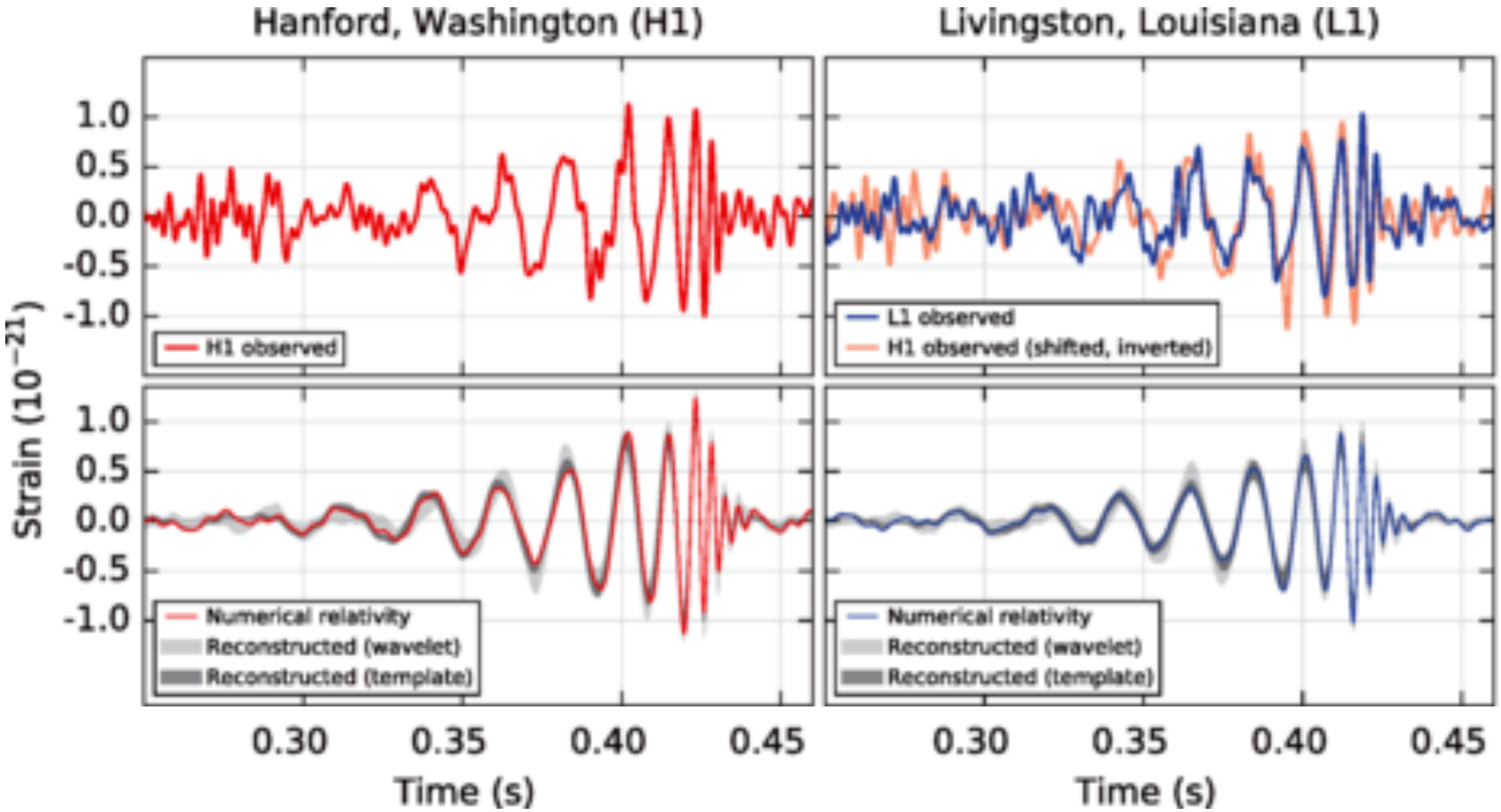

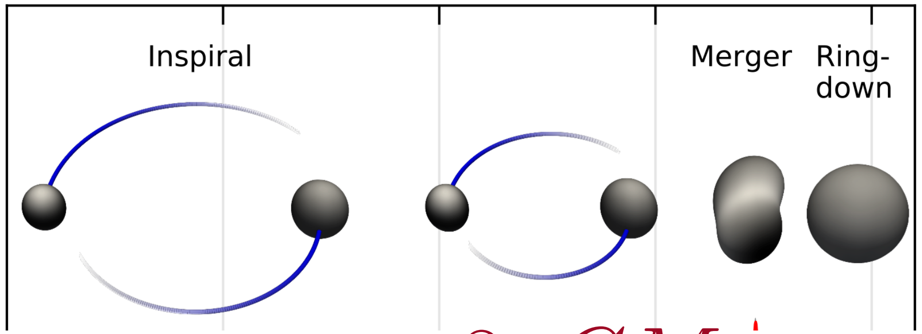

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- The ring-down time $\dfrac{8\pi GM}{c^3} \sim 8$ milliseconds. Curiously, for essentially all types of black holes, the ring-down time equals

$$\boxed{\frac{\hbar}{k_B T_H},} \qquad \hbar \text{ Planck's constant}, \quad k_B \text{ Boltzmann's constant}$$

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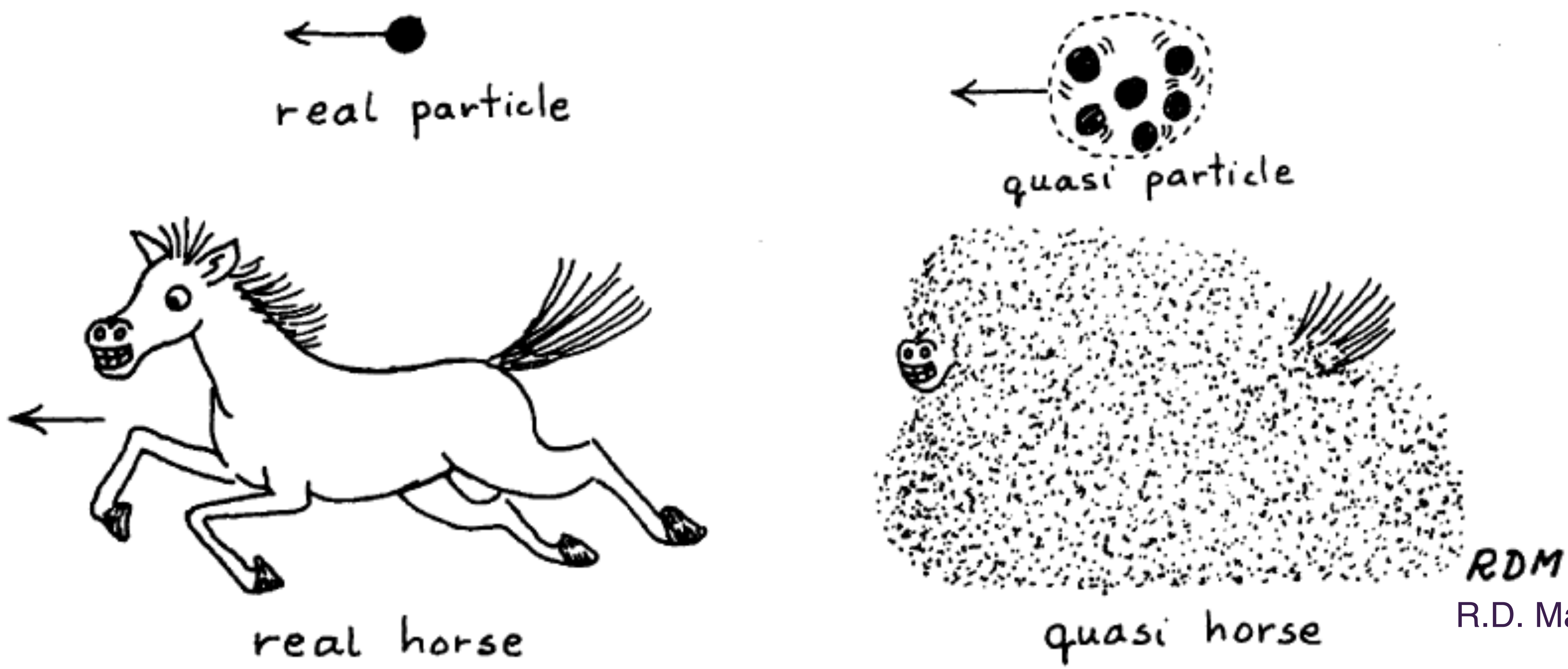
Metals (ordinary and strange) and superconductors

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.



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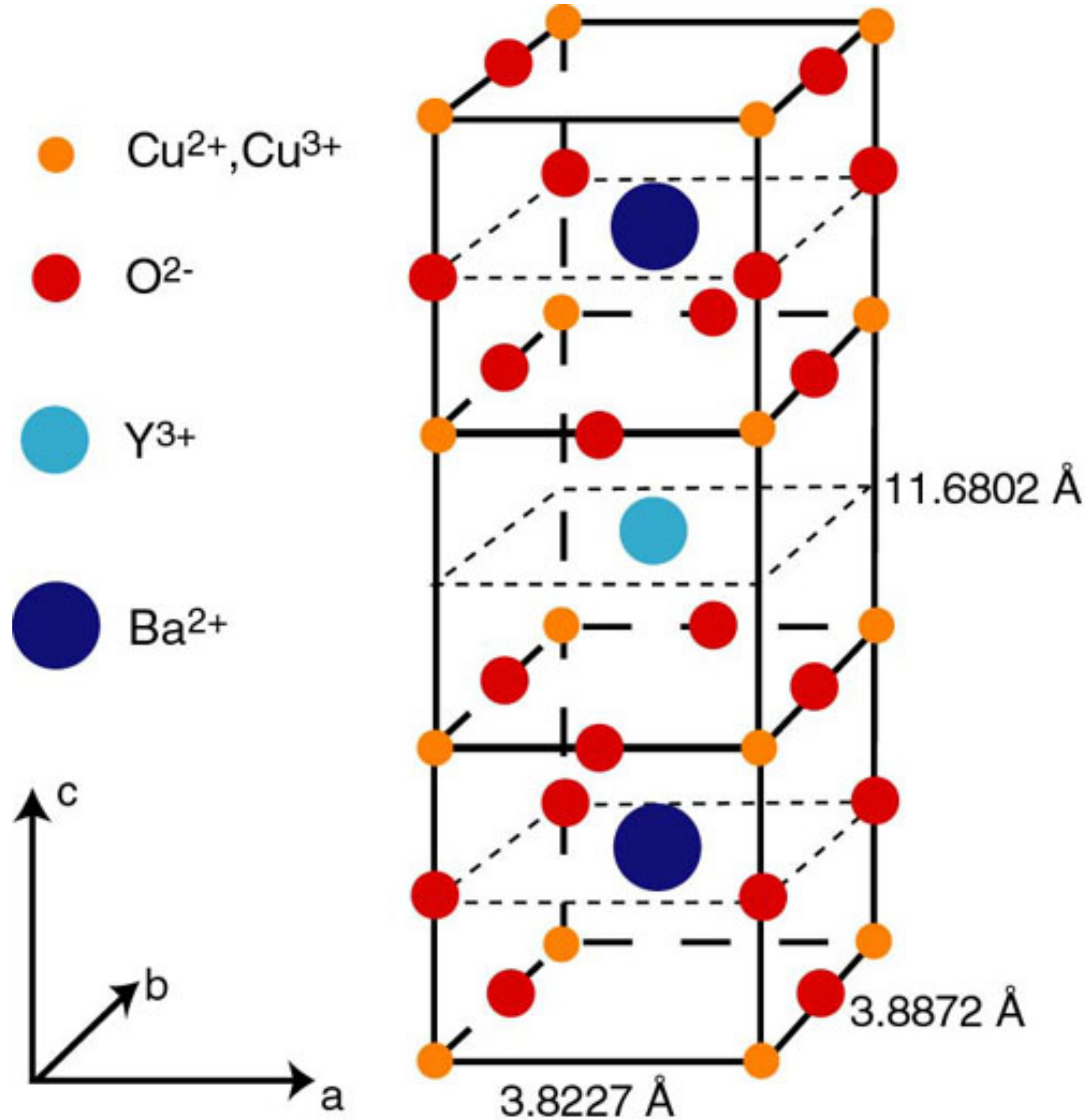
Current flow with quasiparticles

- The resistivity, ρ, of a metal from the flow of quasi-particles is
$$\rho = \frac{m^*}{ne^2}\frac{1}{\tau}$$
where m^* is the effective mass of a quasipartcle, n is the density of electrons, e is the charge of an electron, and τ is a quasiparticle scattering time. The theory of ordinary metals implies that as the temperature $T \to 0$
$$\tau \sim \frac{1}{T^2} \gg \frac{\hbar}{k_B T}$$

High temperature superconductors



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Ultra-quantum matter!

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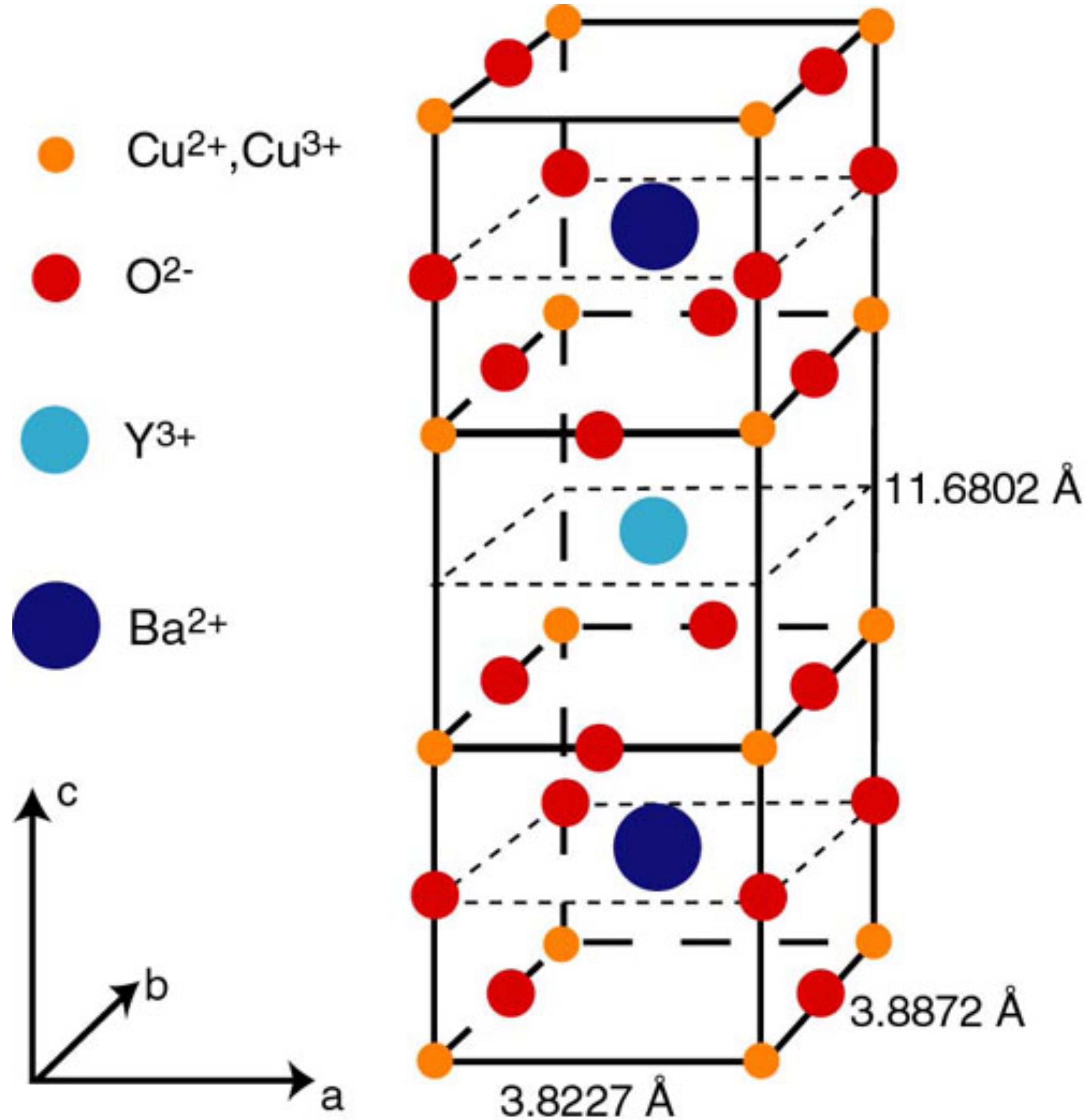

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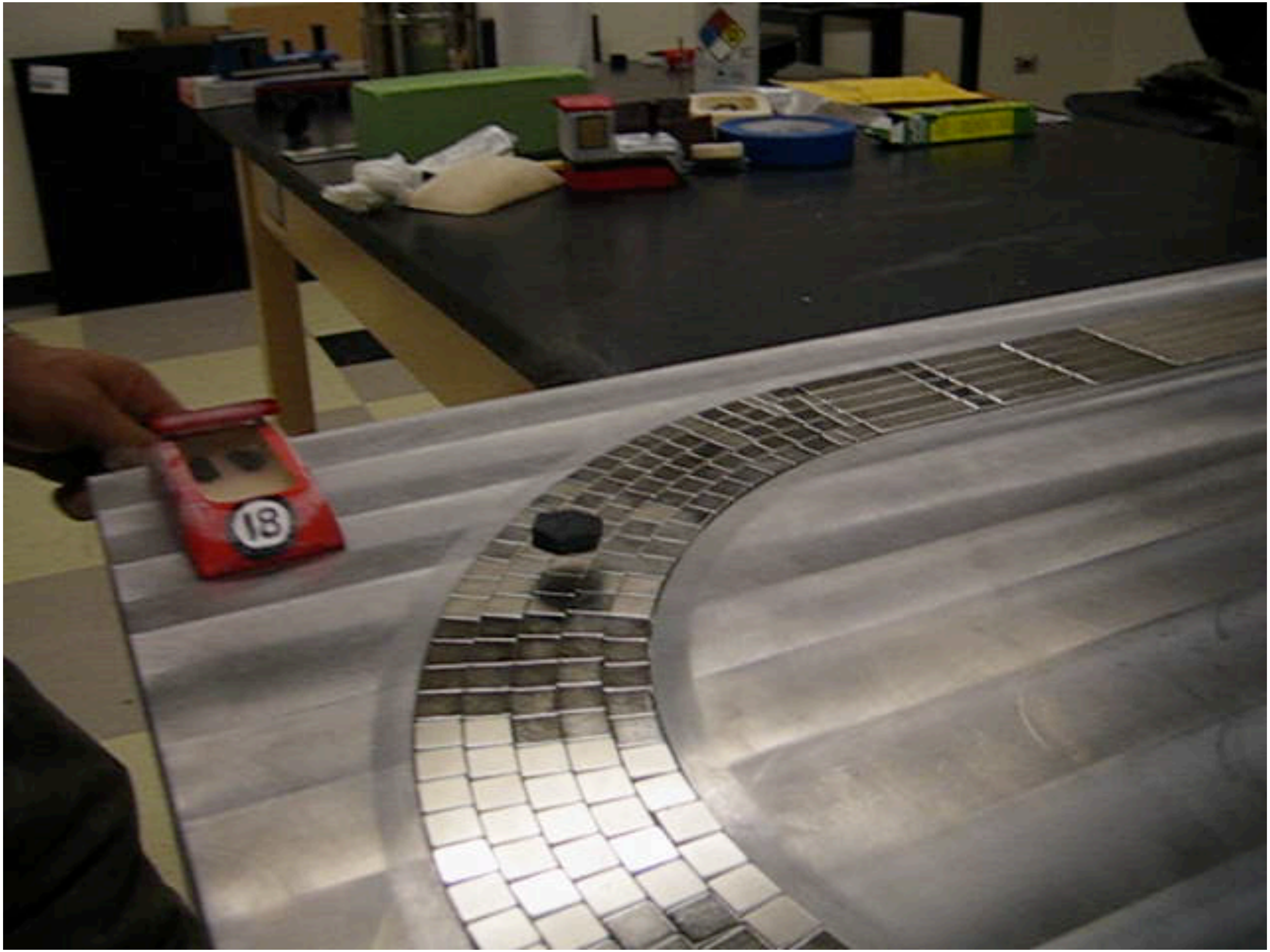

Nd-Fe-B magnets, YBaCuO superconductor

Julian Hetel and Nandini Trivedi, Ohio State University

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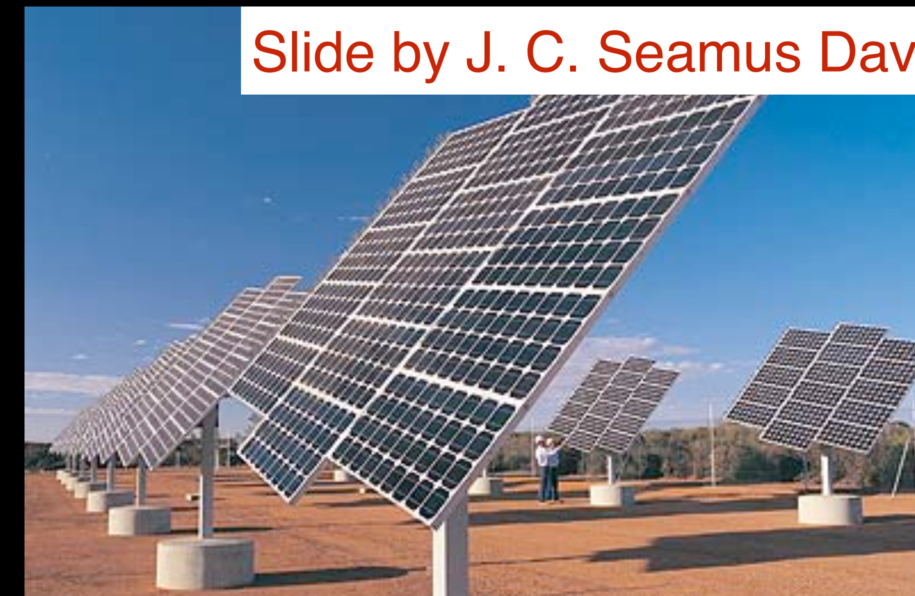
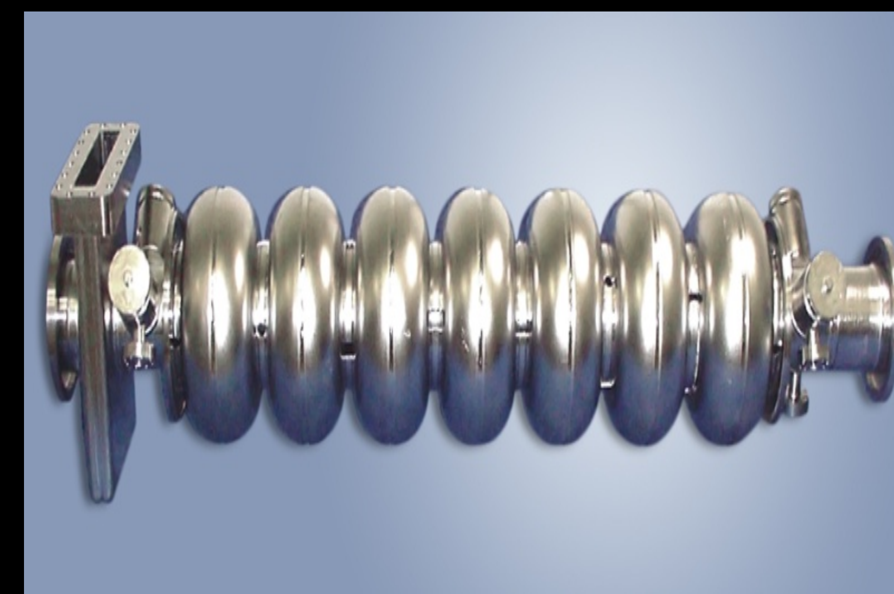
Power Efficiency/Capacity/Stability


Power Bottlenecks


Accommodate Renewable Power


Efficient Rotating Machines


Information Technology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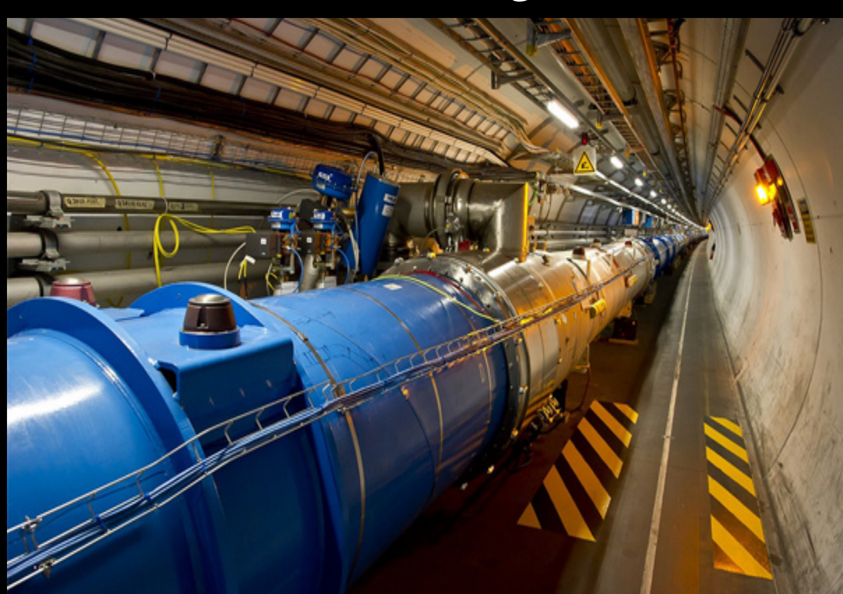
Ultra-High Magnetic Fields


Medical


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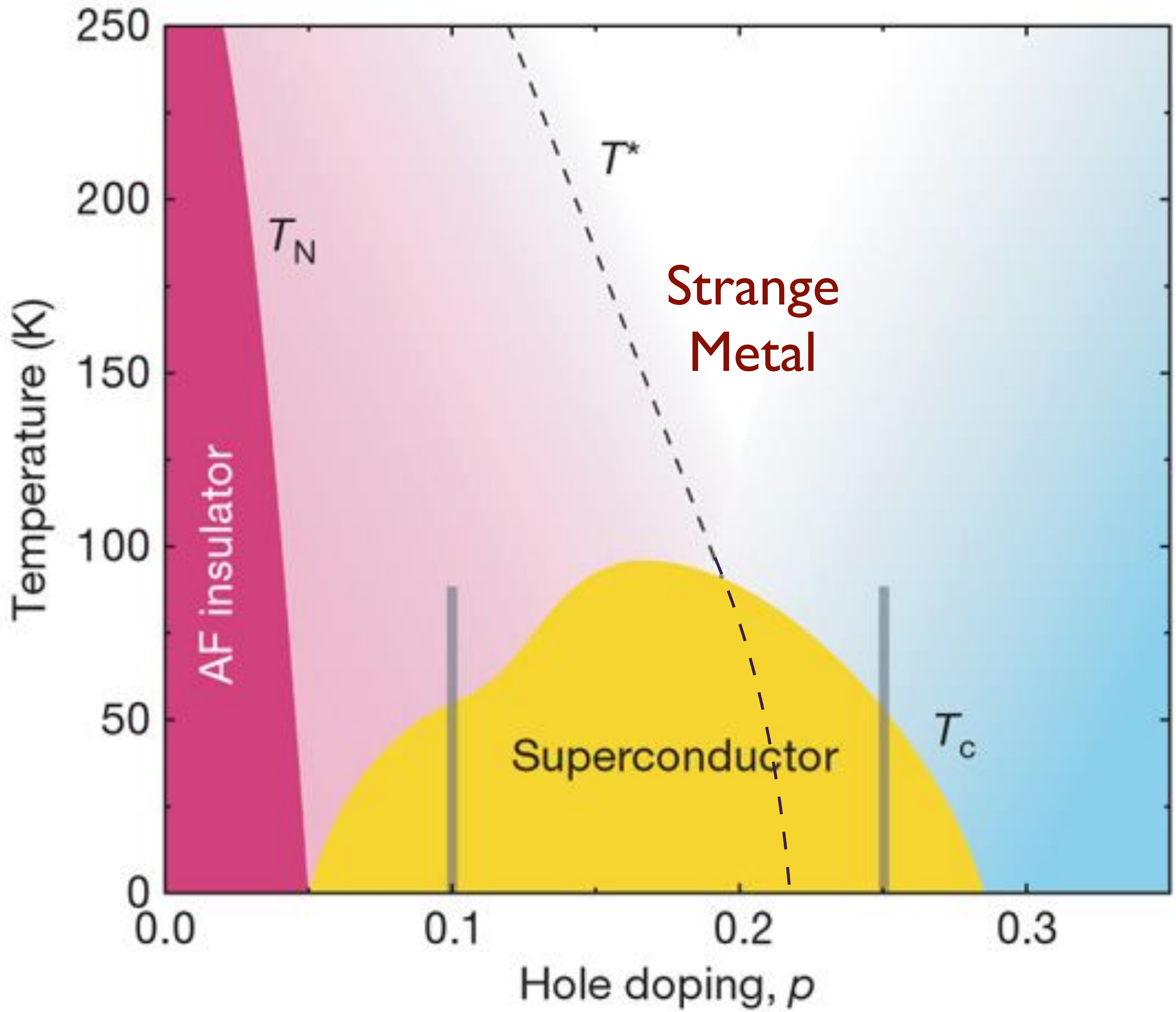

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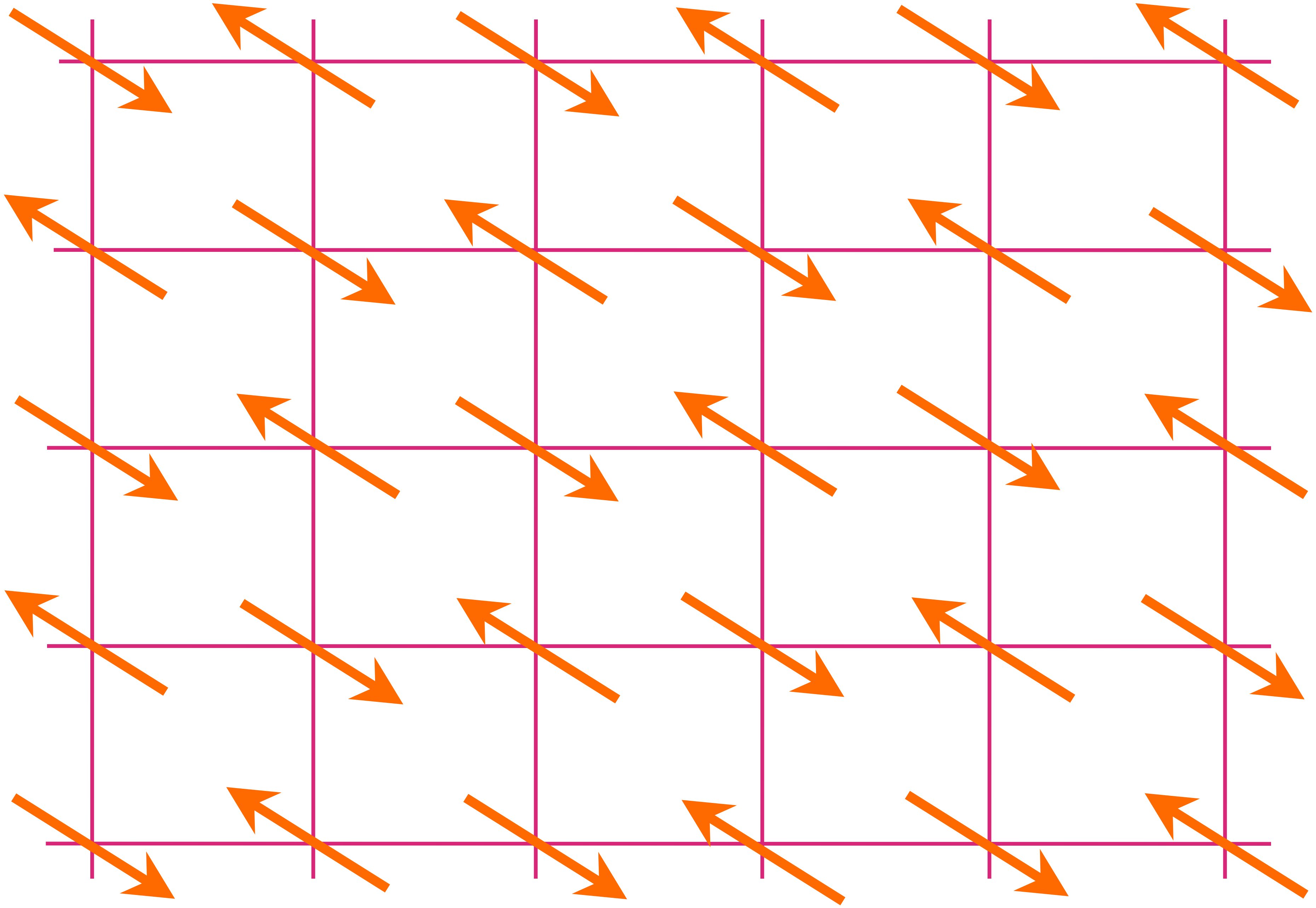

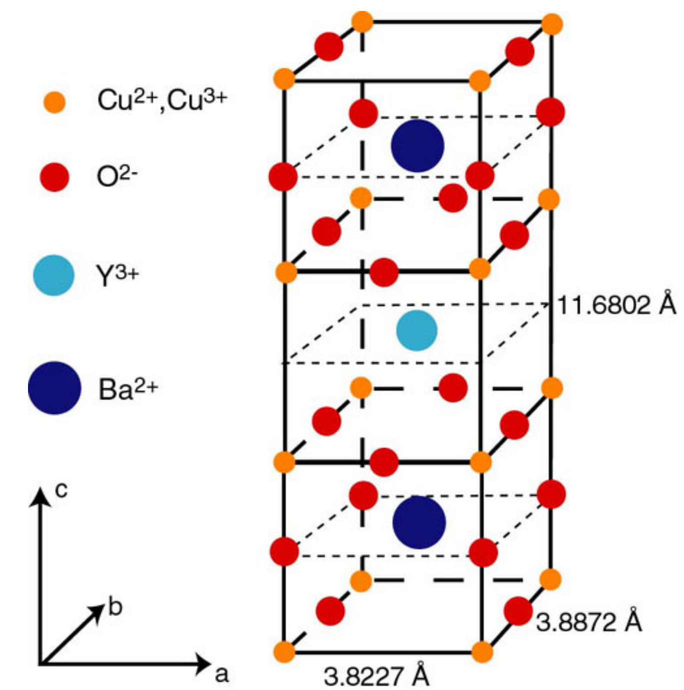

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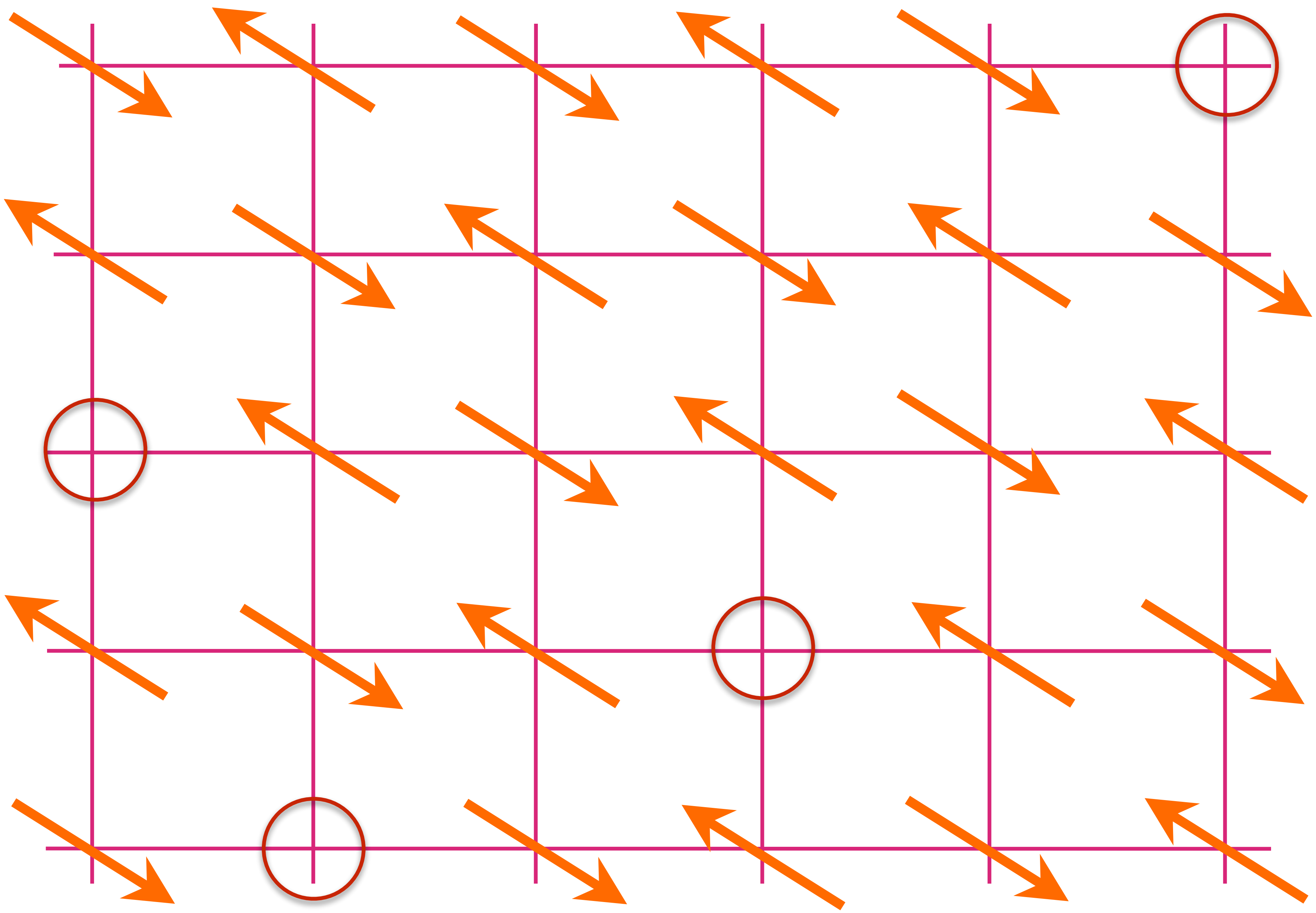

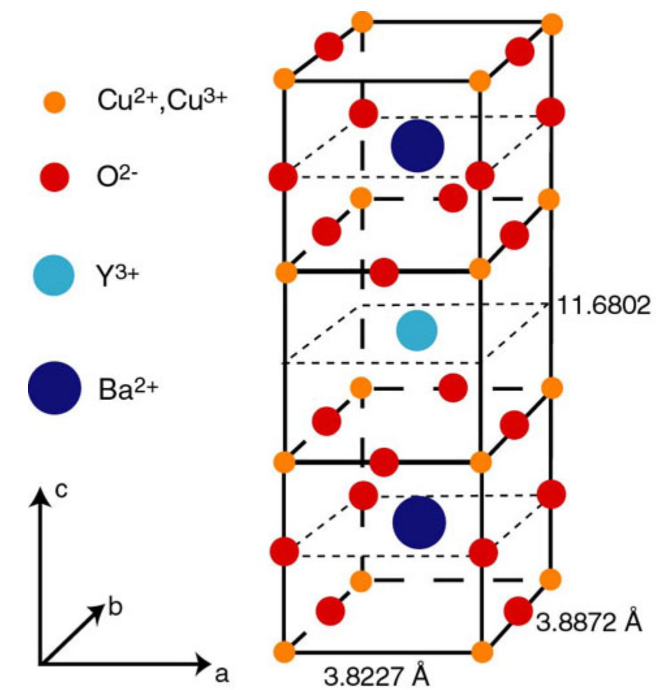

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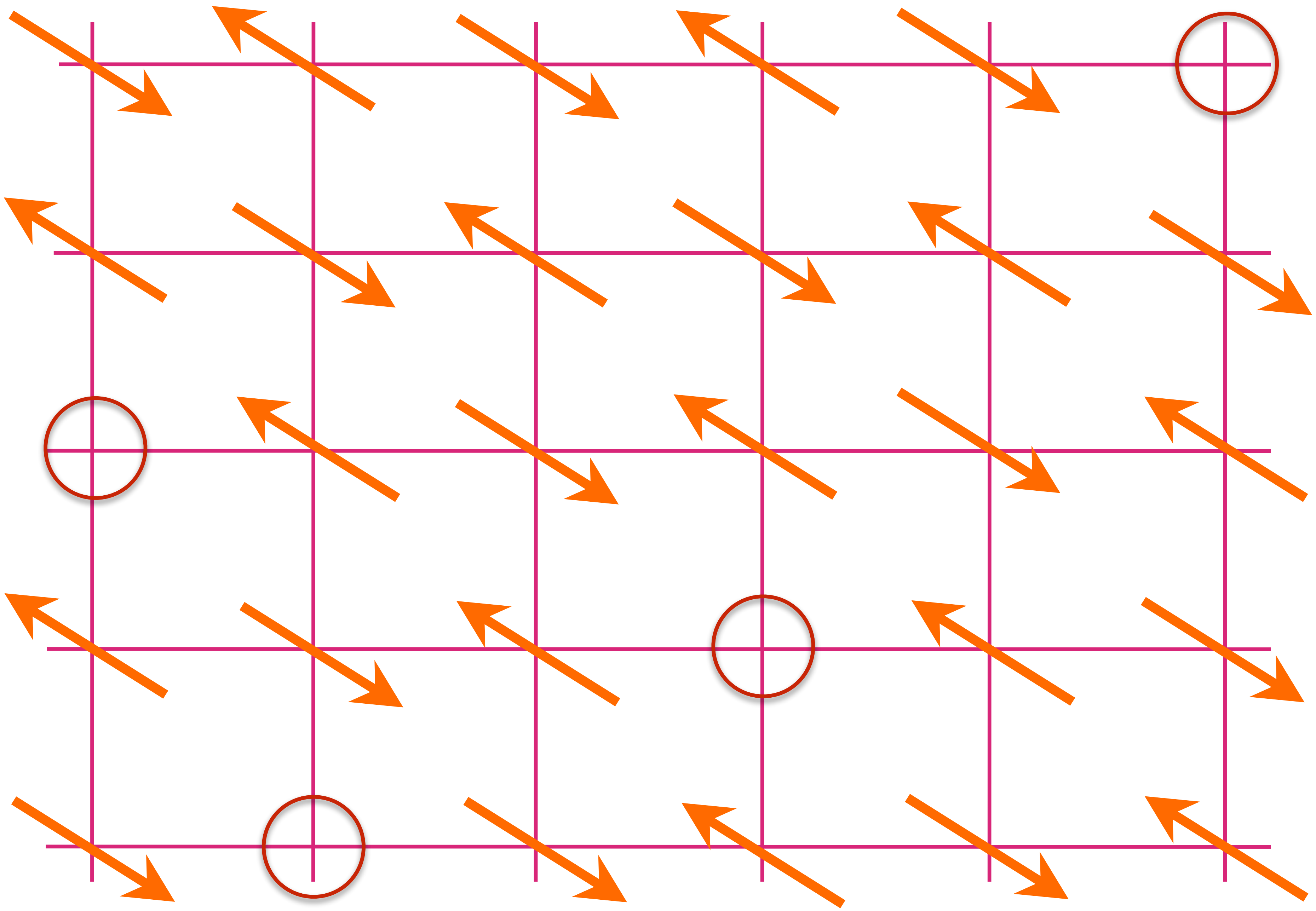

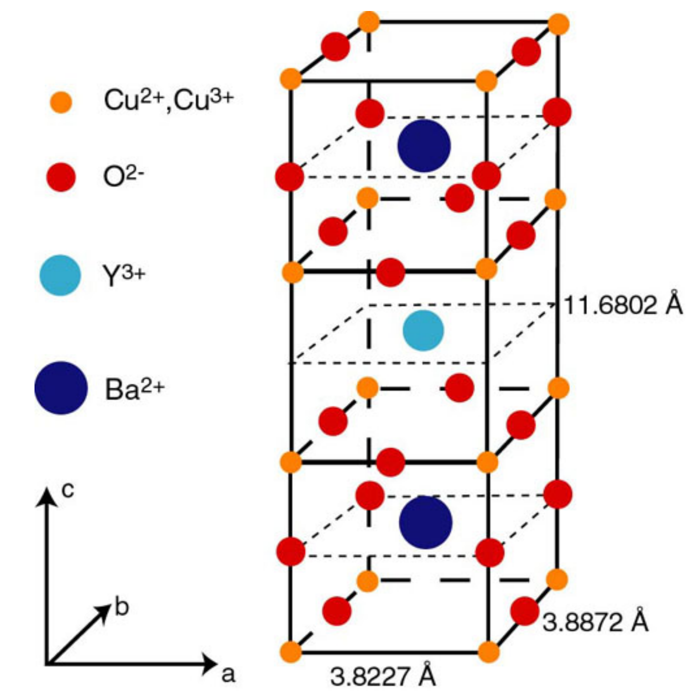

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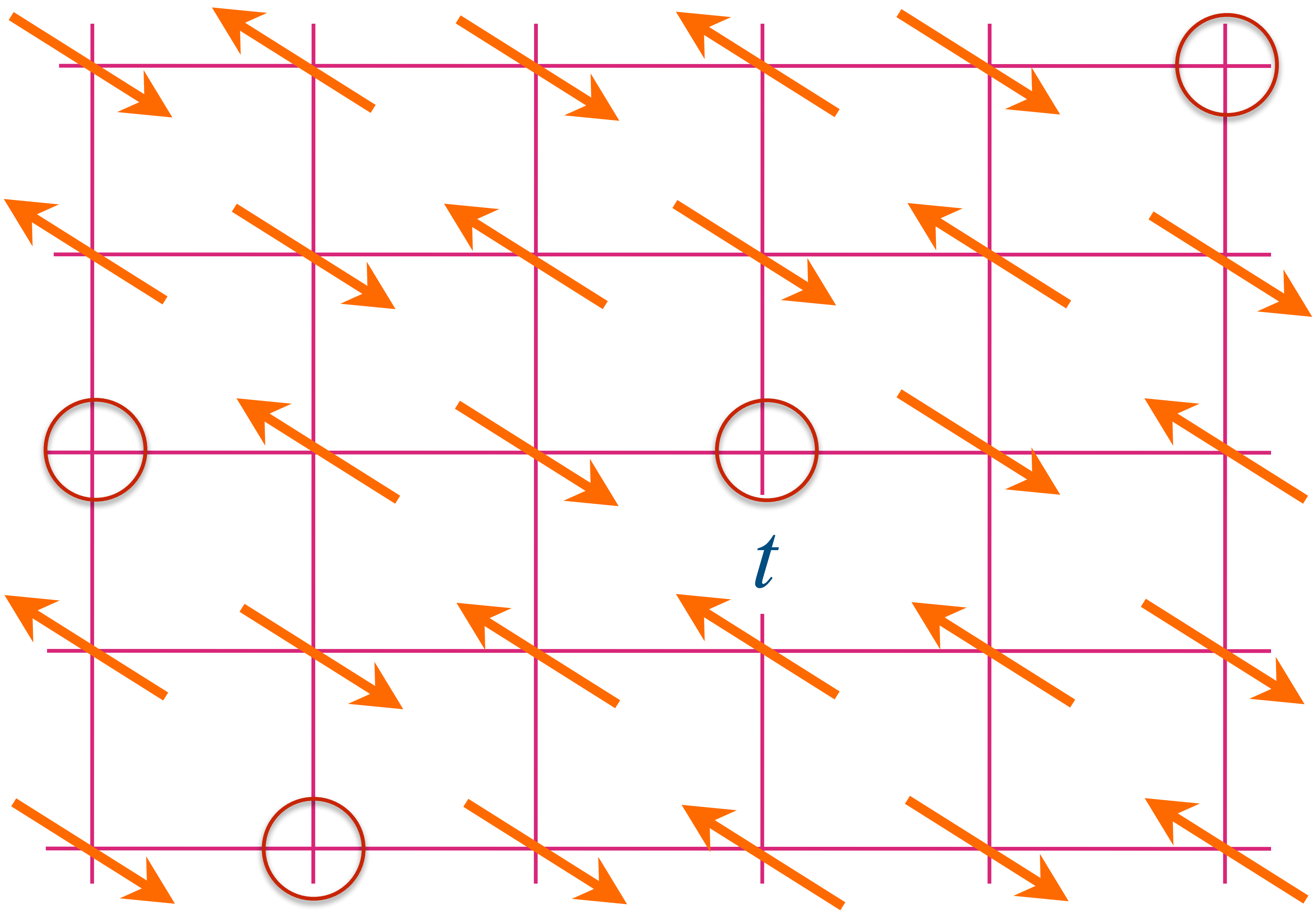

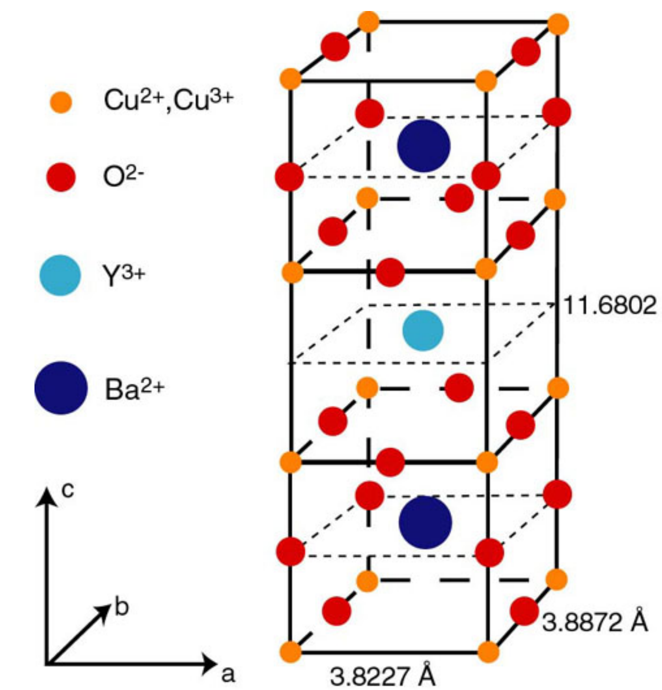

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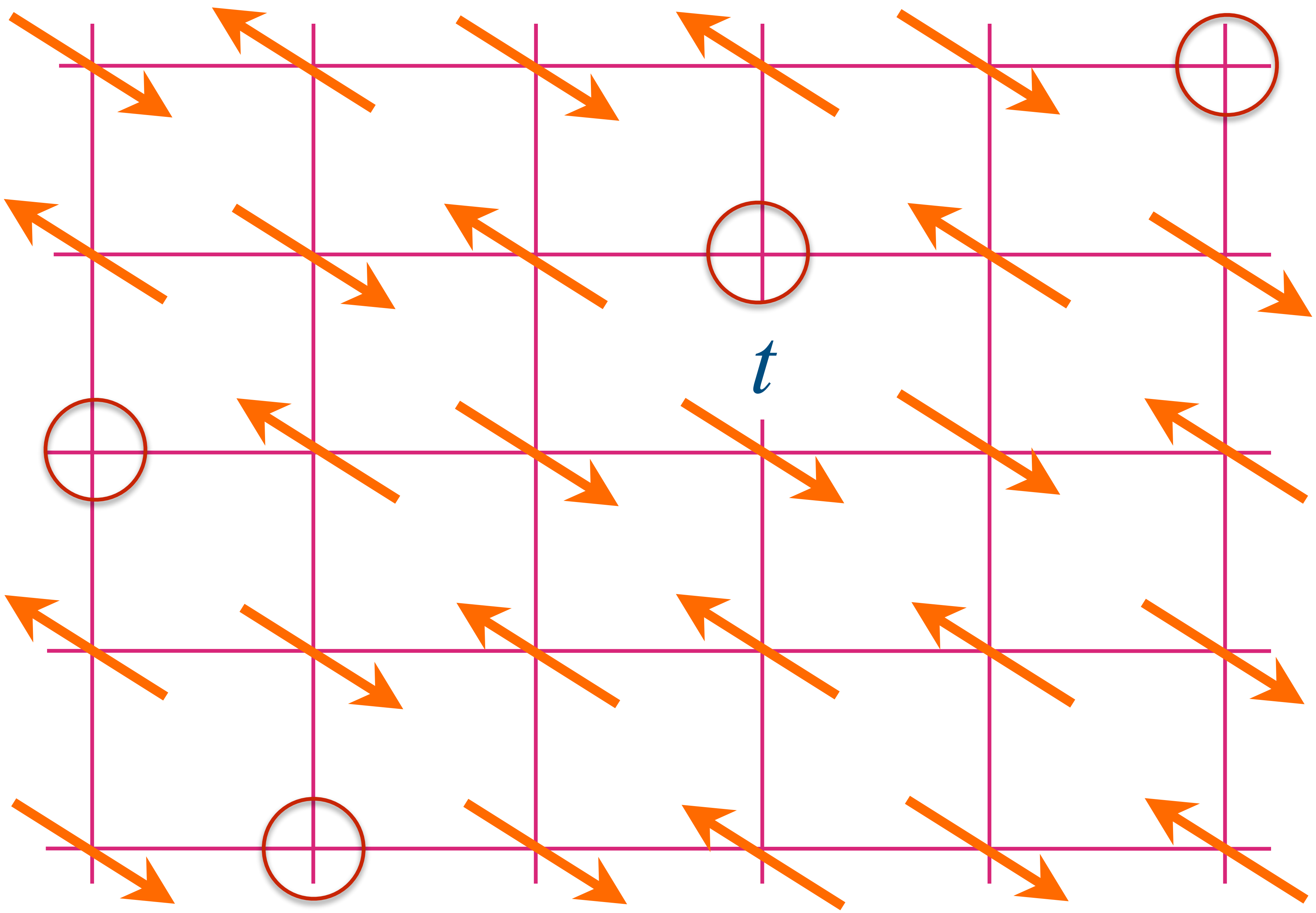

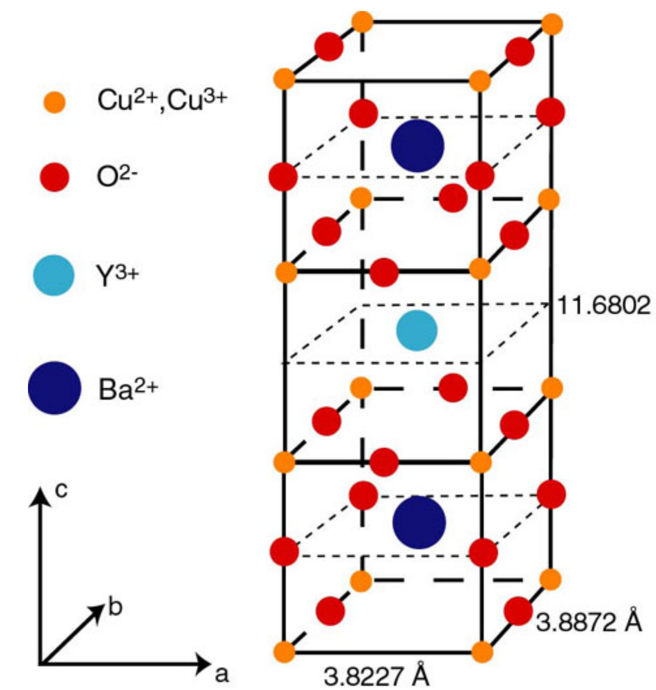

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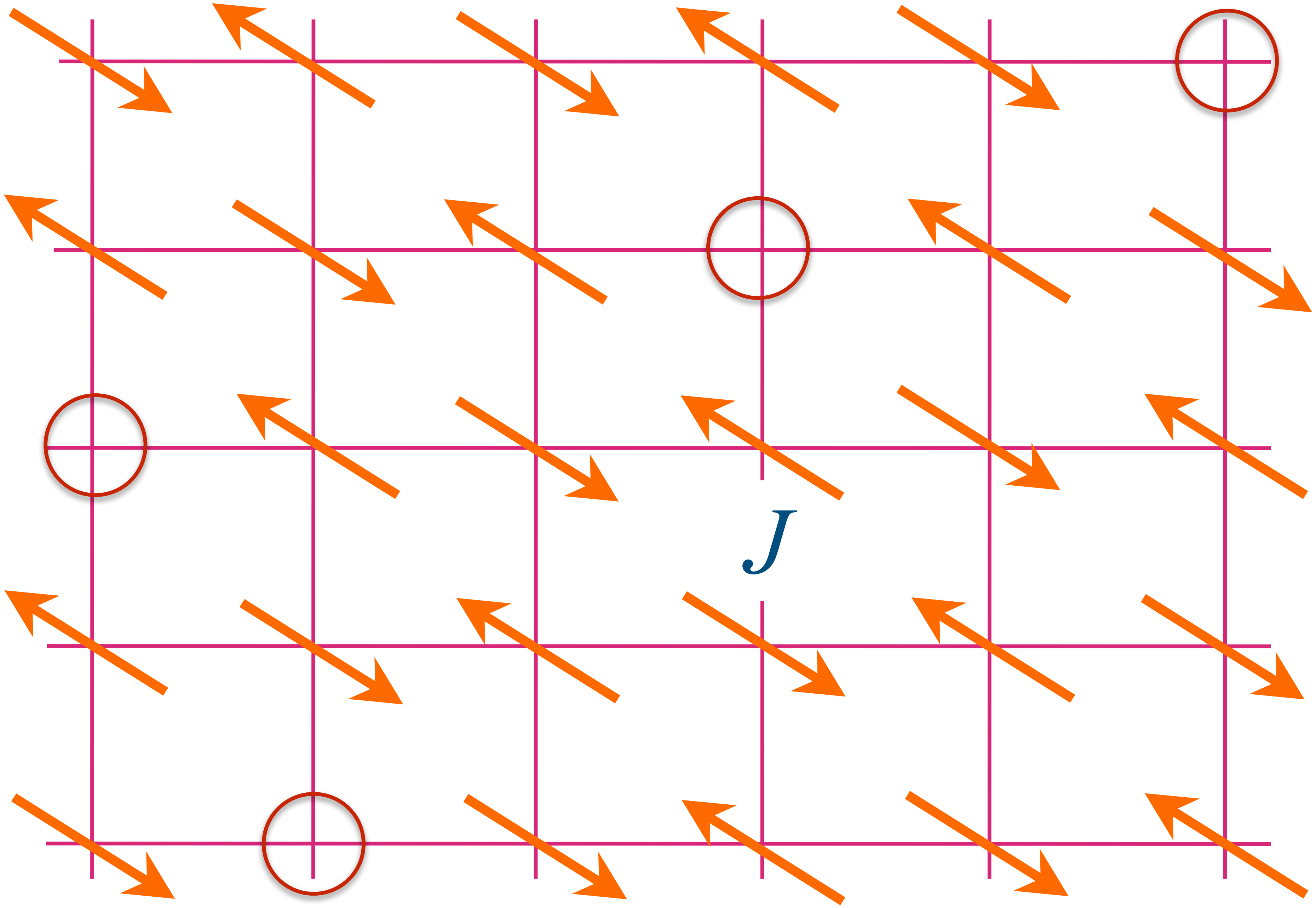

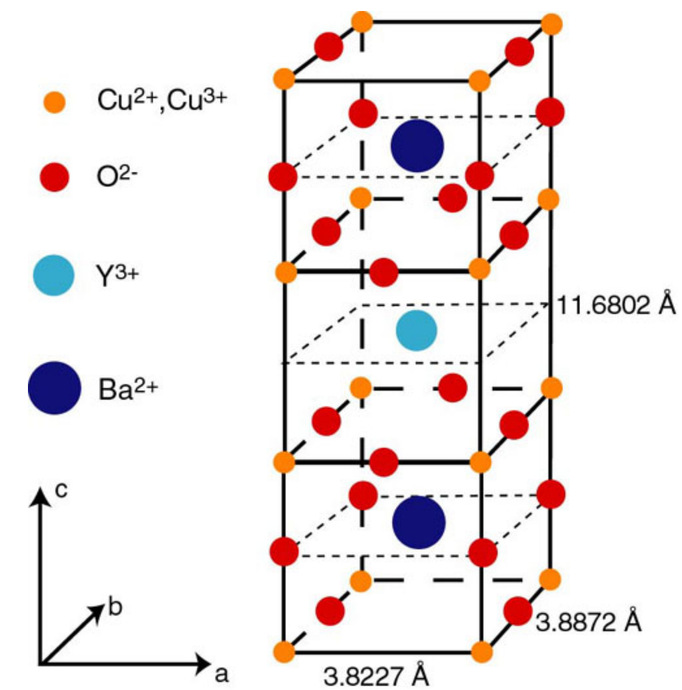

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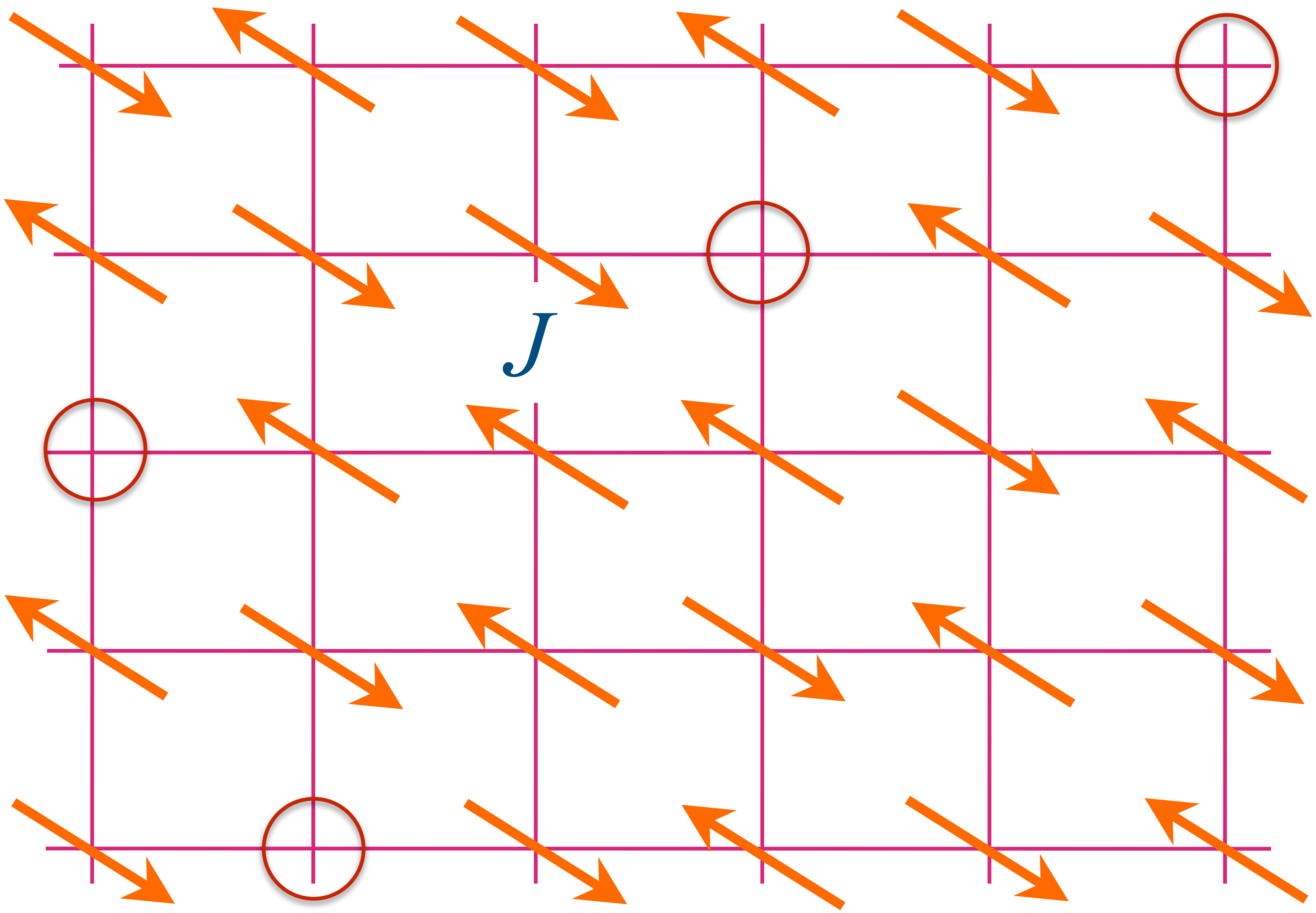

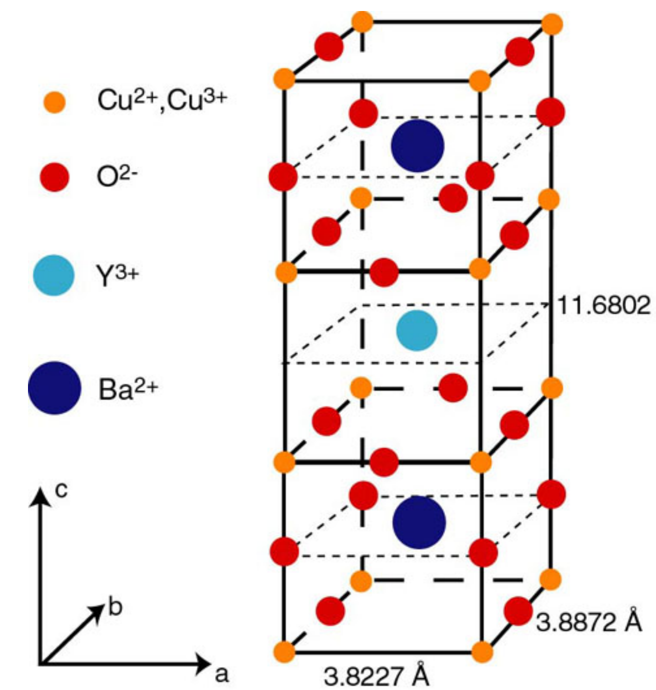

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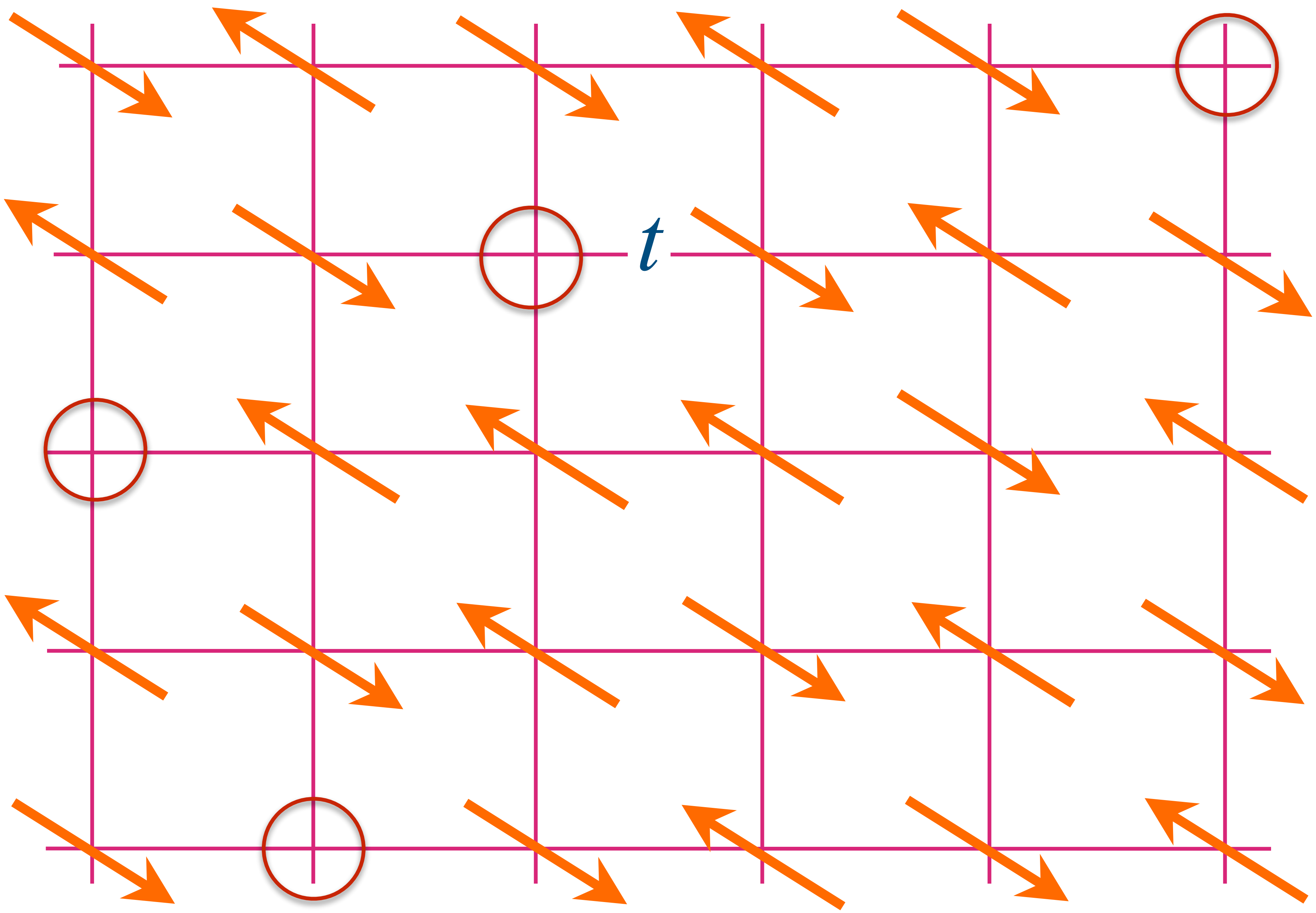

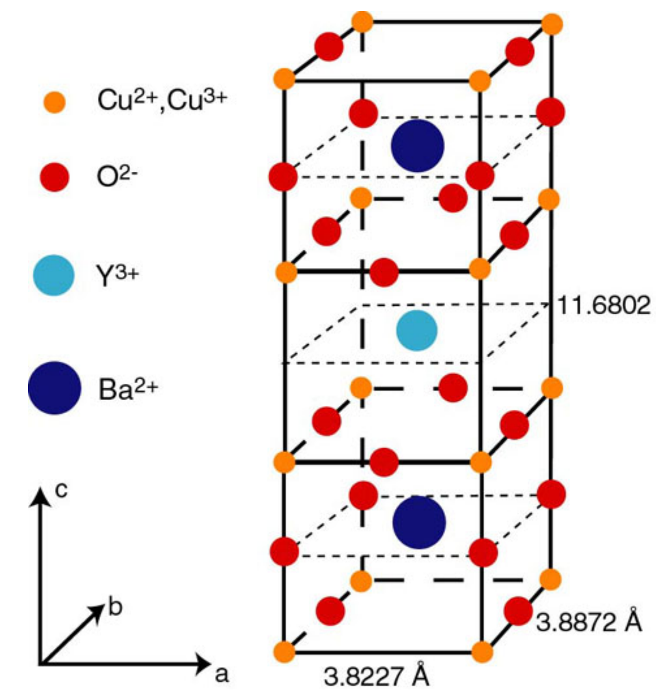

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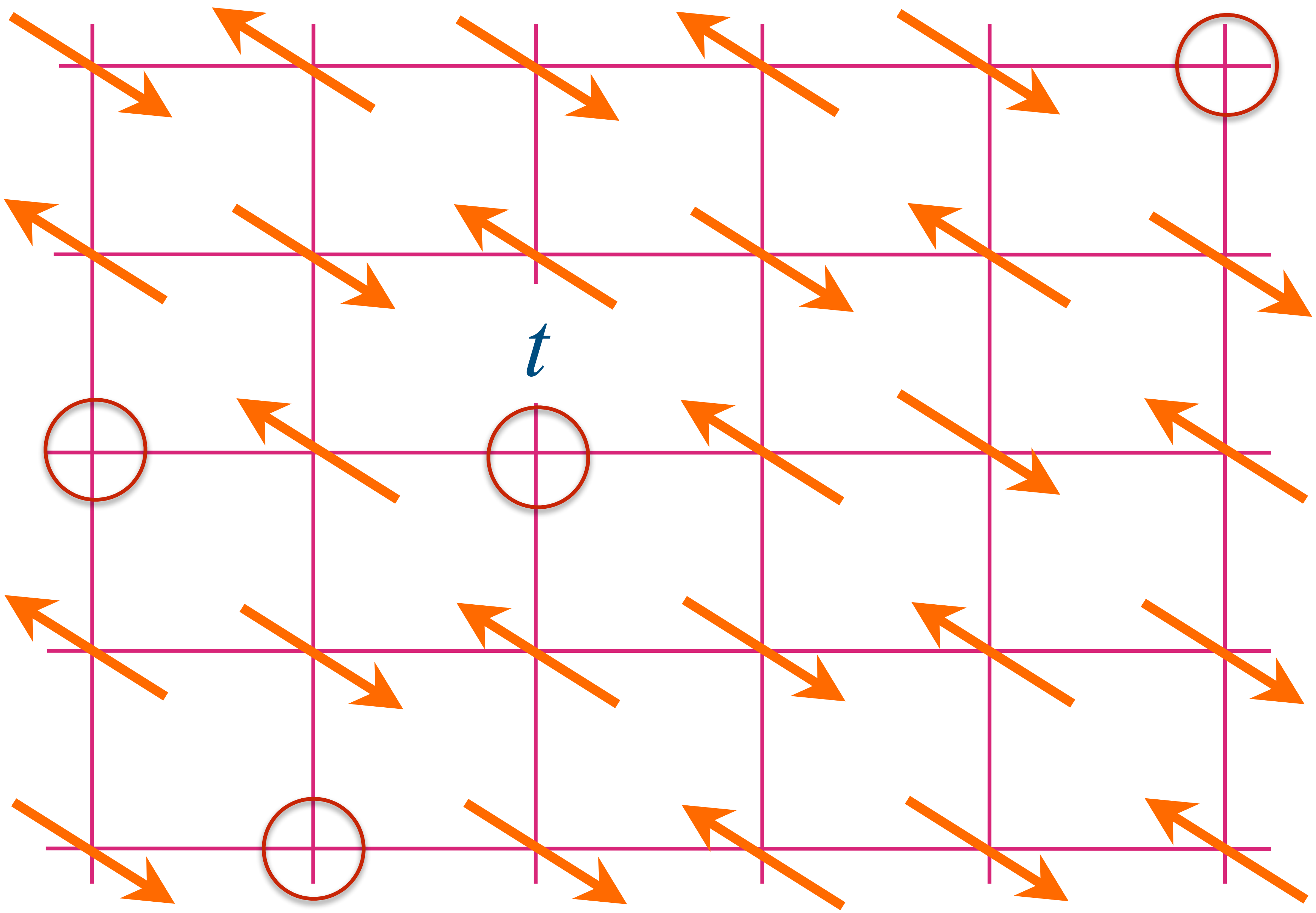

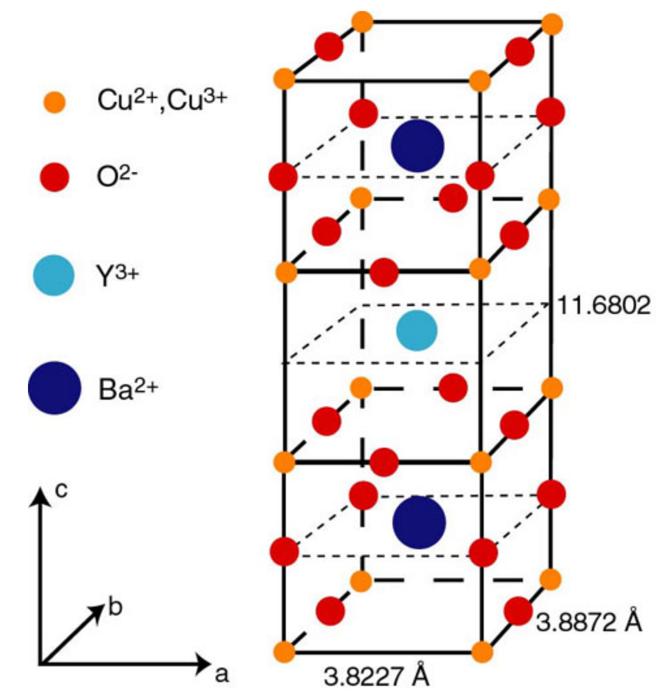

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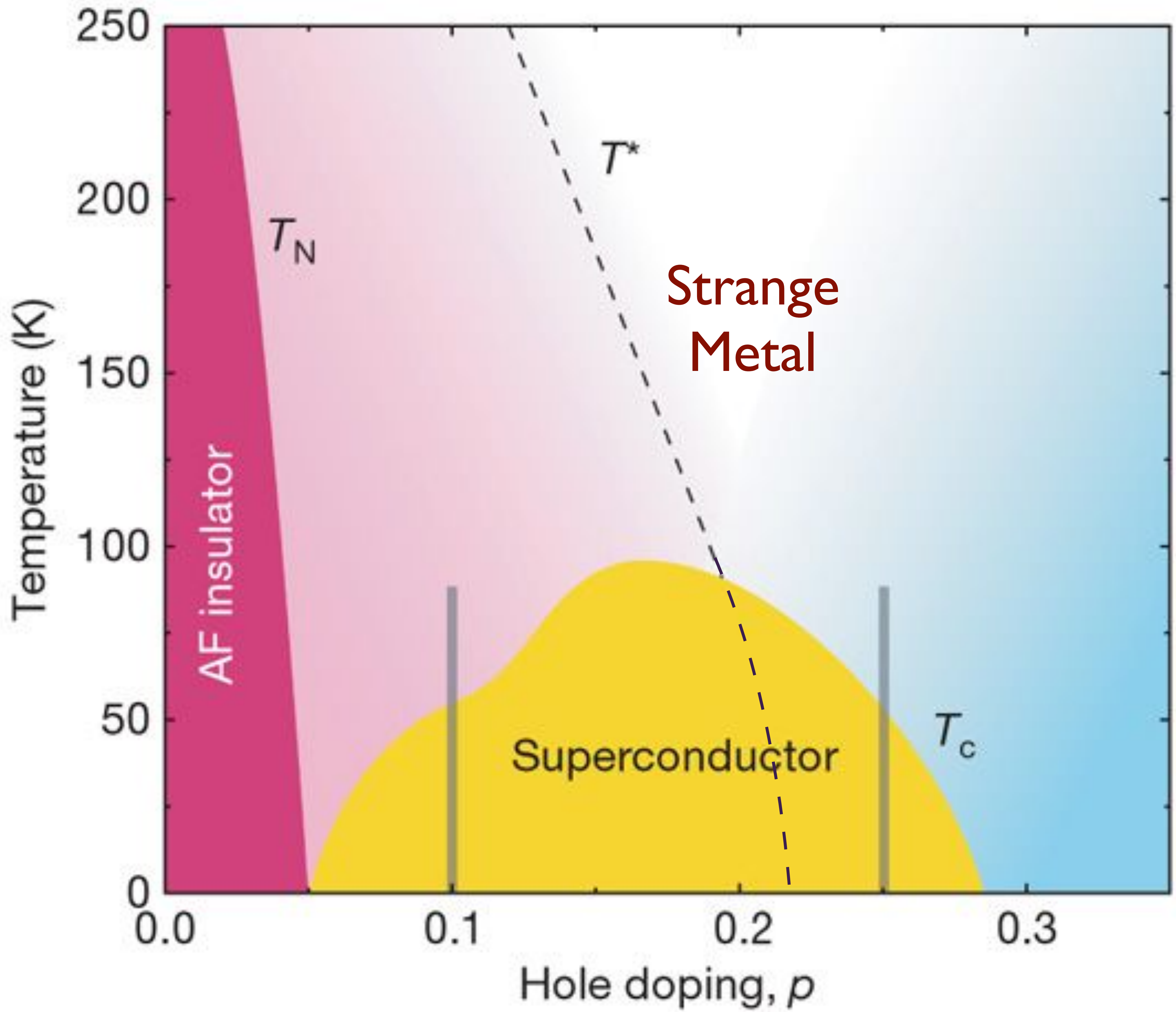

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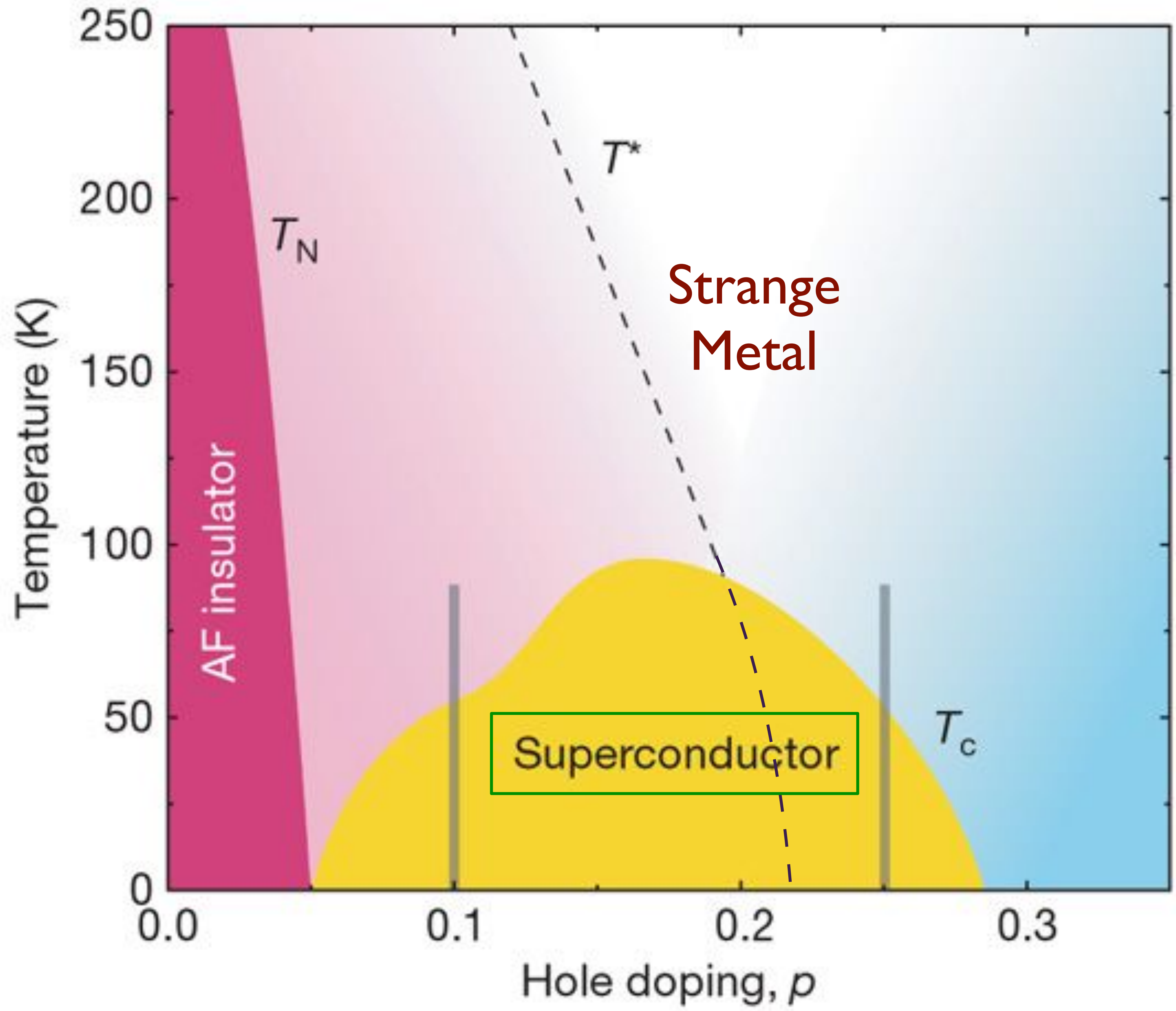

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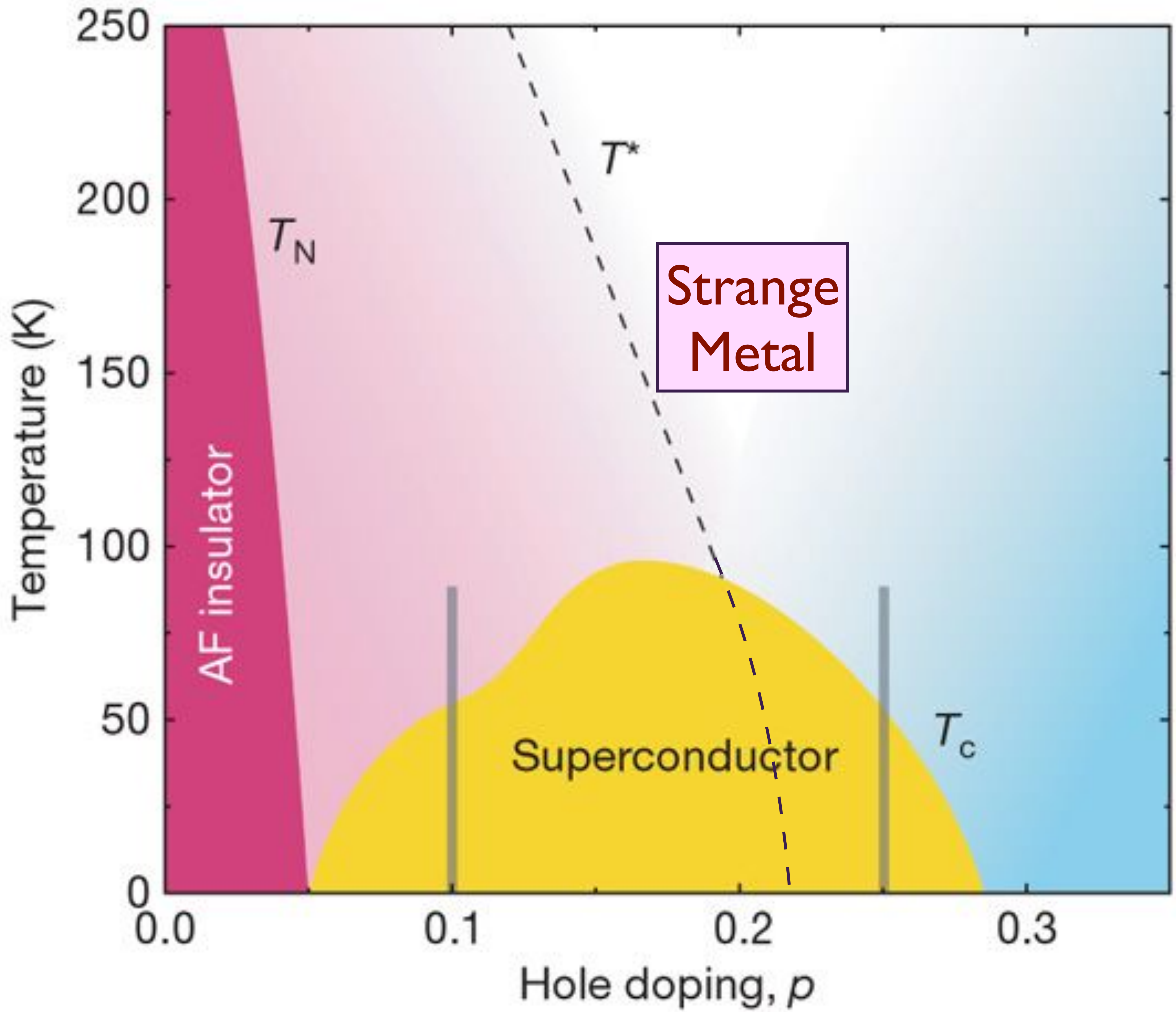

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Material		n (10^{27} m^{-3})	m^* (m_0)	A_1 / d (Ω / K)	$h / (2e^2 T_F)$ (Ω / K)	α
Bi2212	$p = 0.23$	6.8	8.4 ± 1.6	8.0 ± 0.9	7.4 ± 1.4	1.1 ± 0.3
Bi2201	$p \sim 0.4$	3.5	7 ± 1.5	8 ± 2	8 ± 2	1.0 ± 0.4
LSCO	$p = 0.26$	7.8	9.8 ± 1.7	8.2 ± 1.0	8.9 ± 1.8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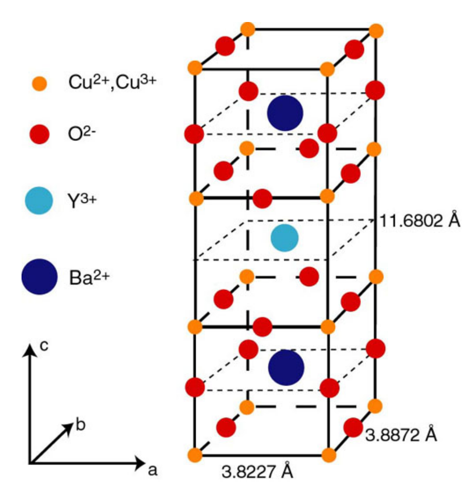

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Material		n (10^{27} m^{-3})	m^* (m_0)	A_1 / d (Ω / K)	$h / (2e^2 T_F)$ (Ω / K)	α
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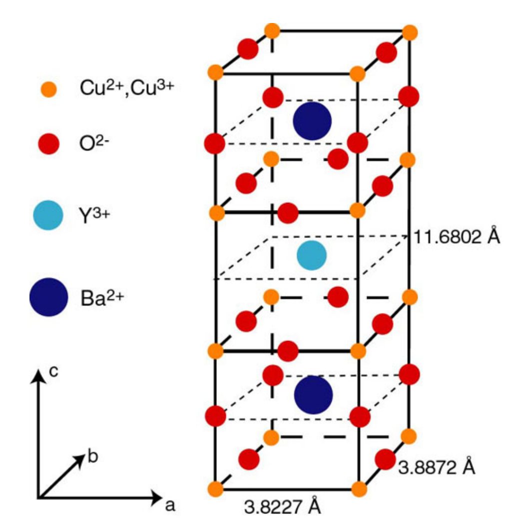

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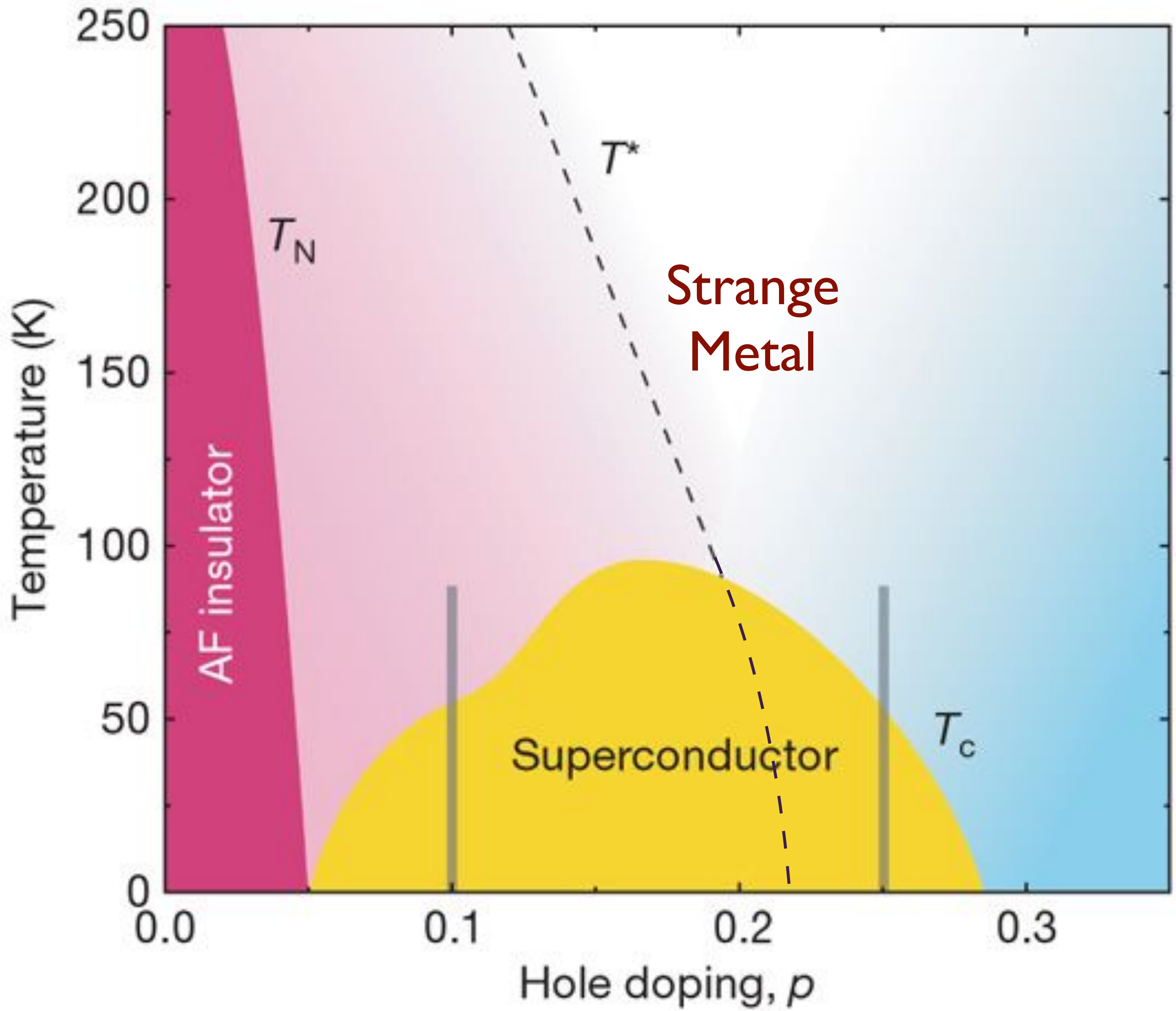

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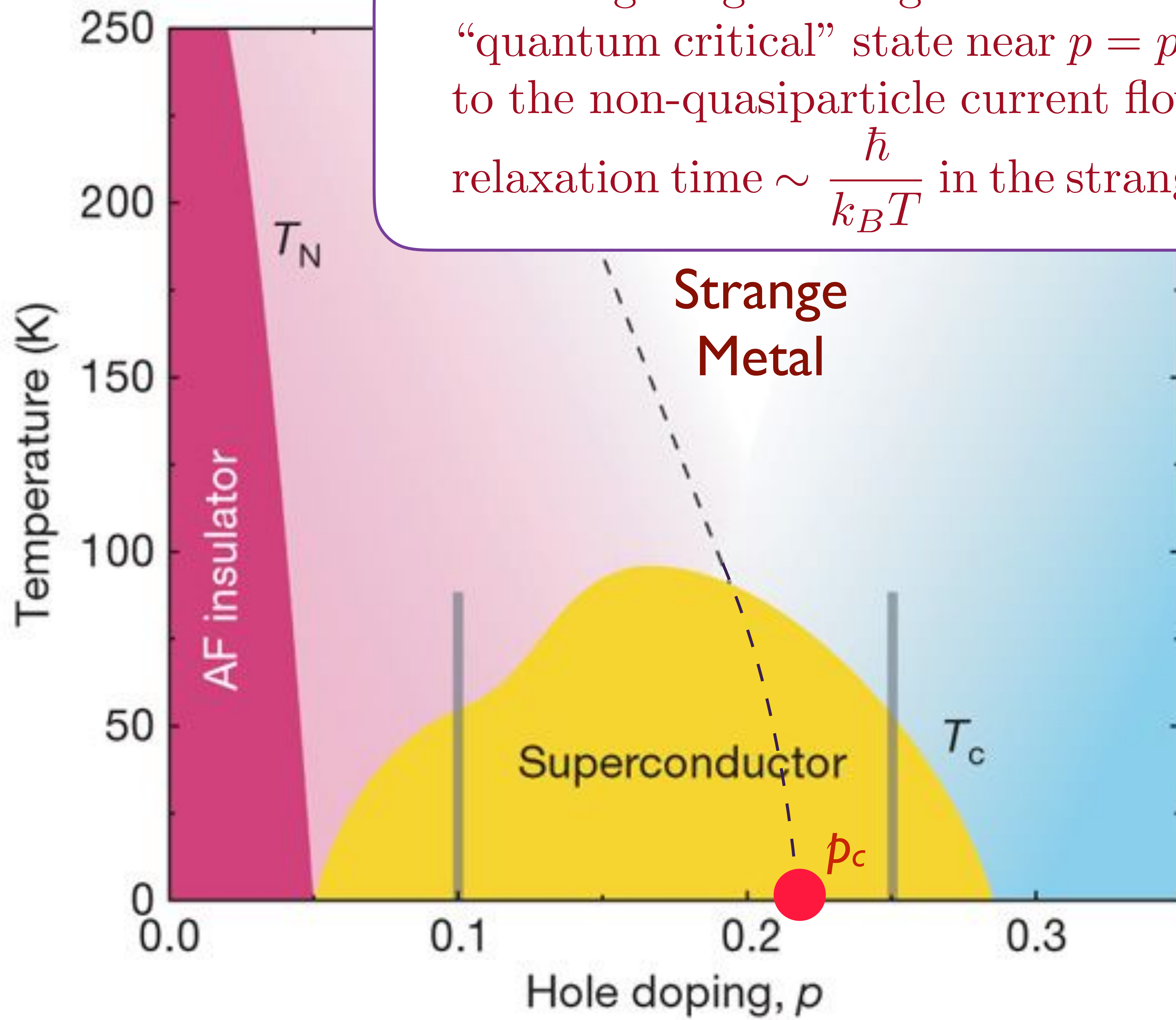

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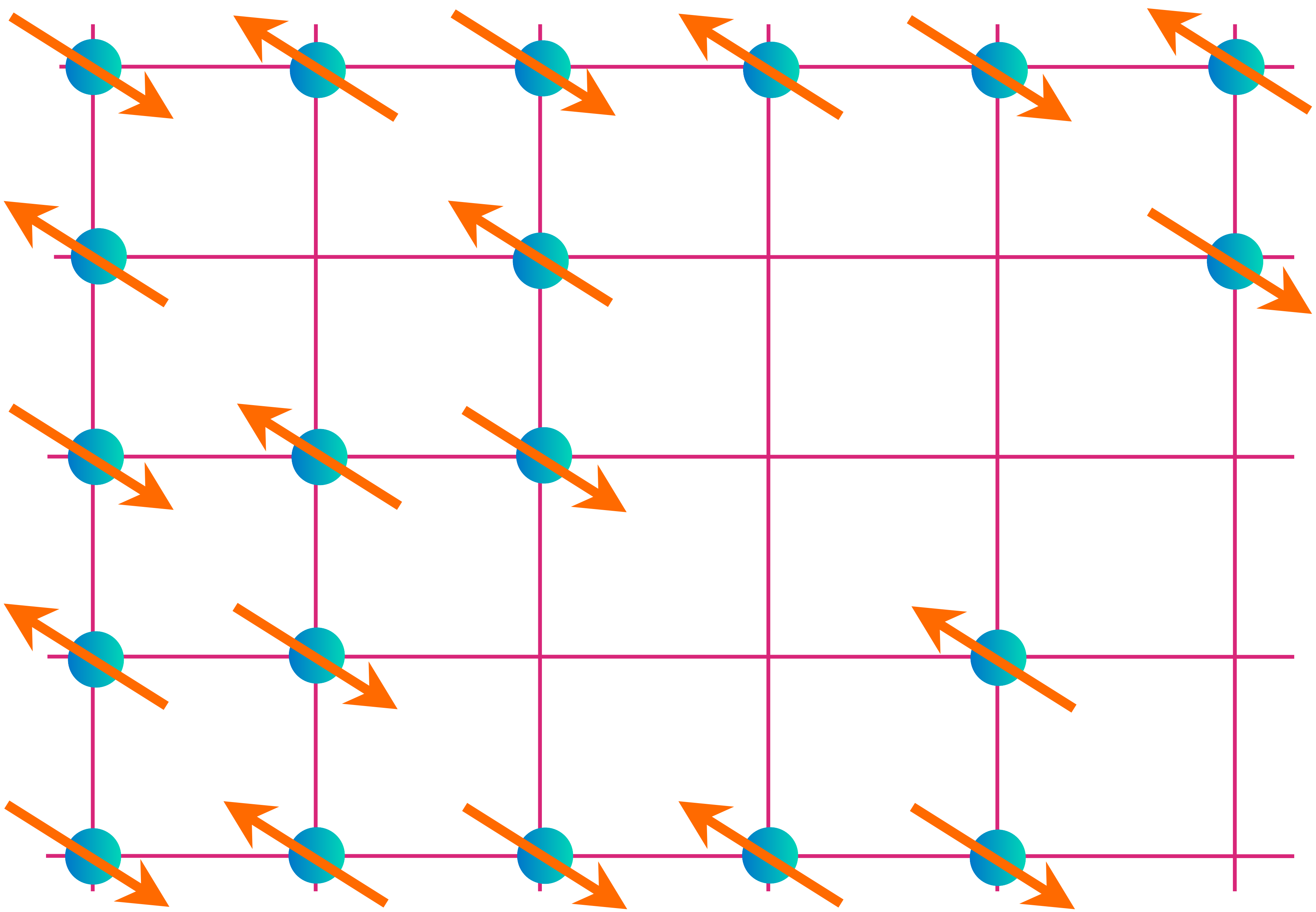

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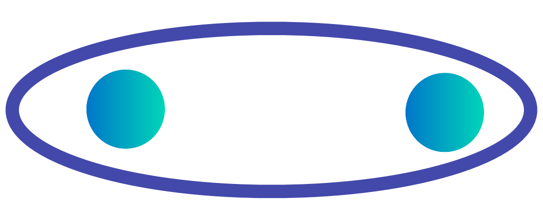

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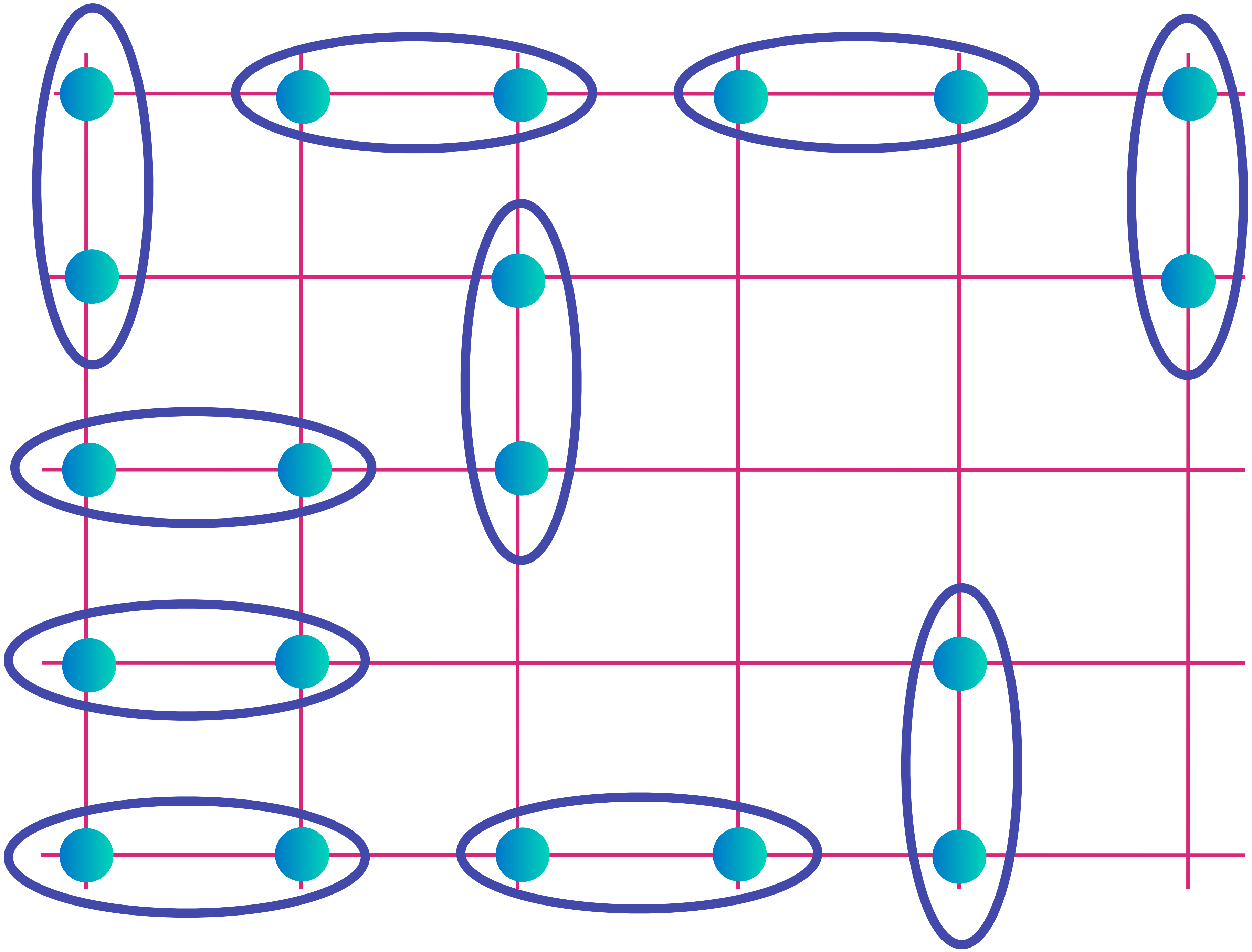

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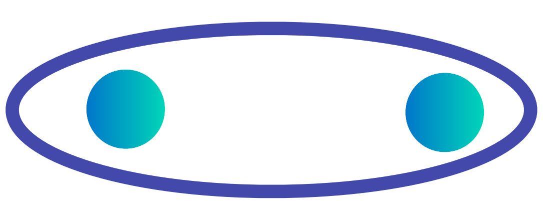

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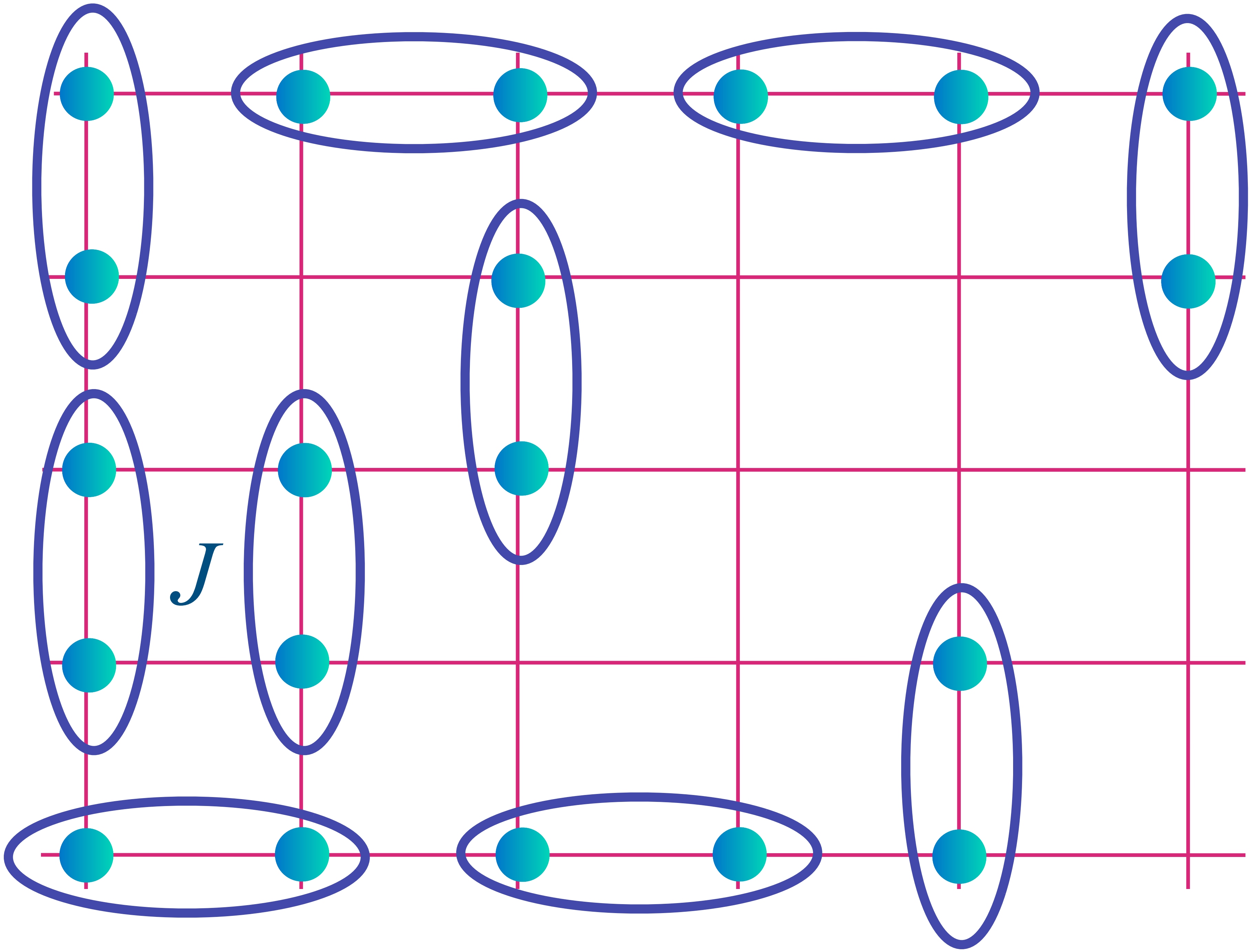

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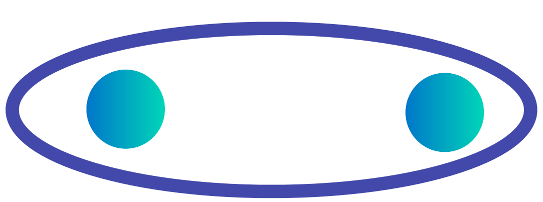

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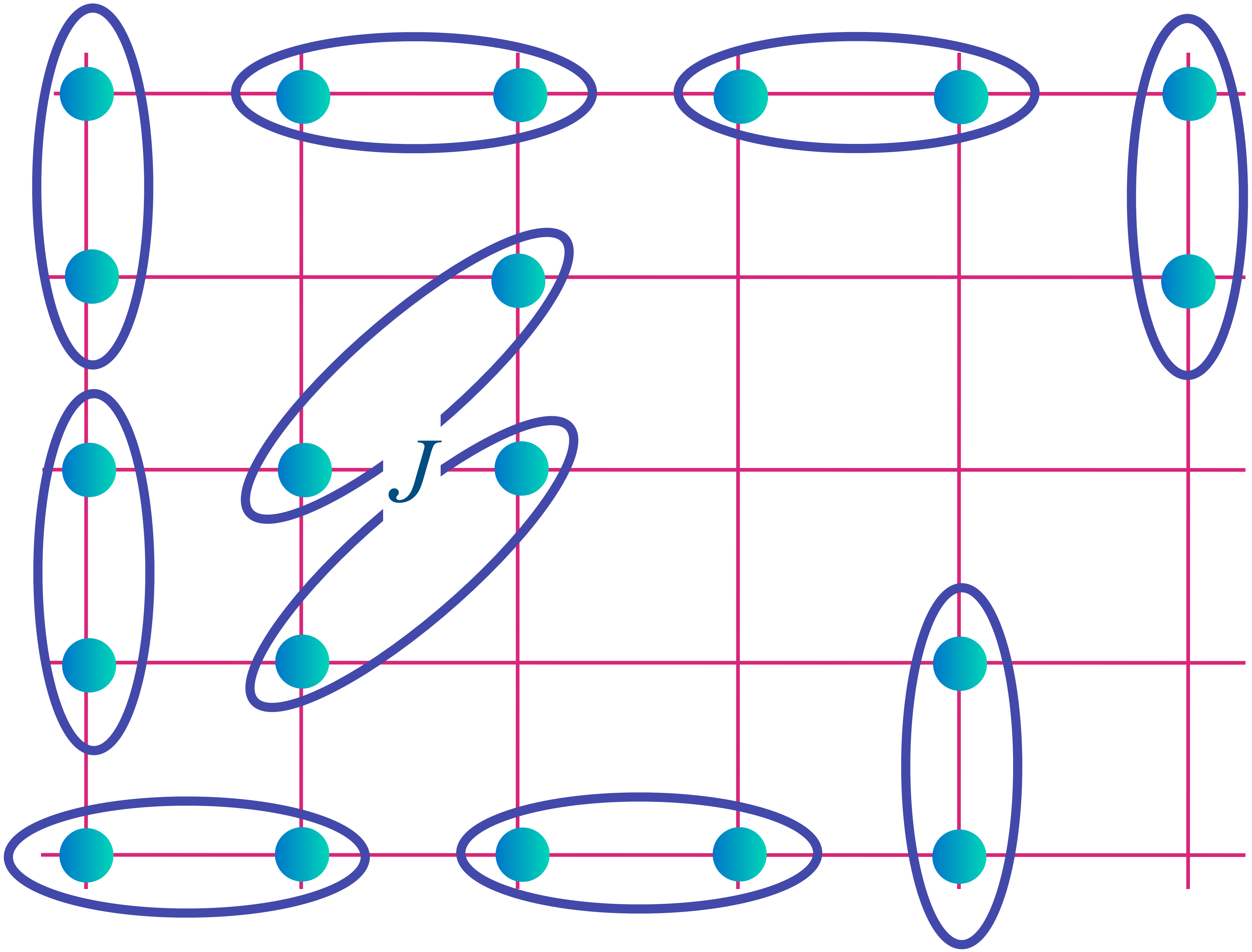

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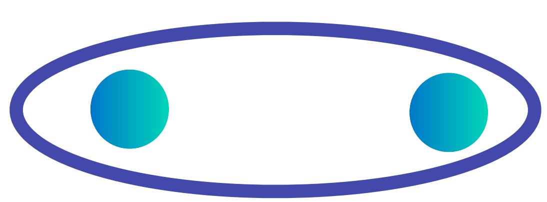

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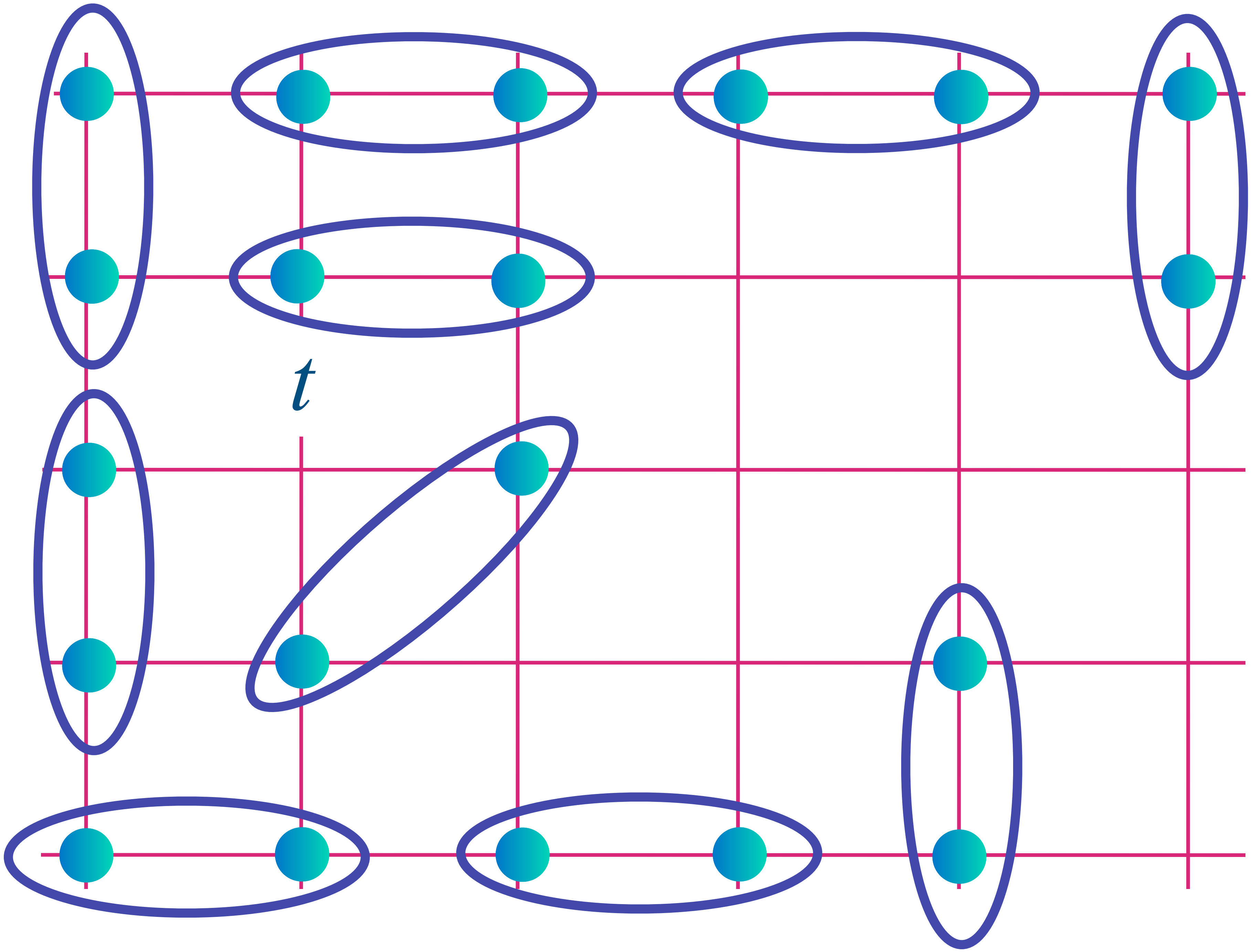

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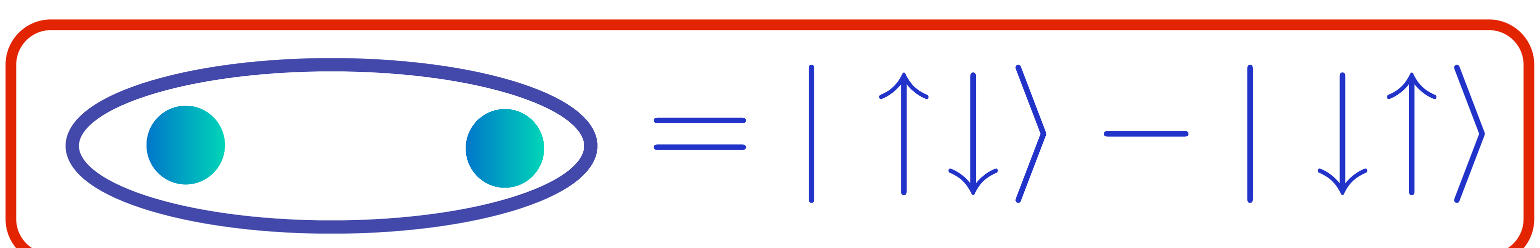

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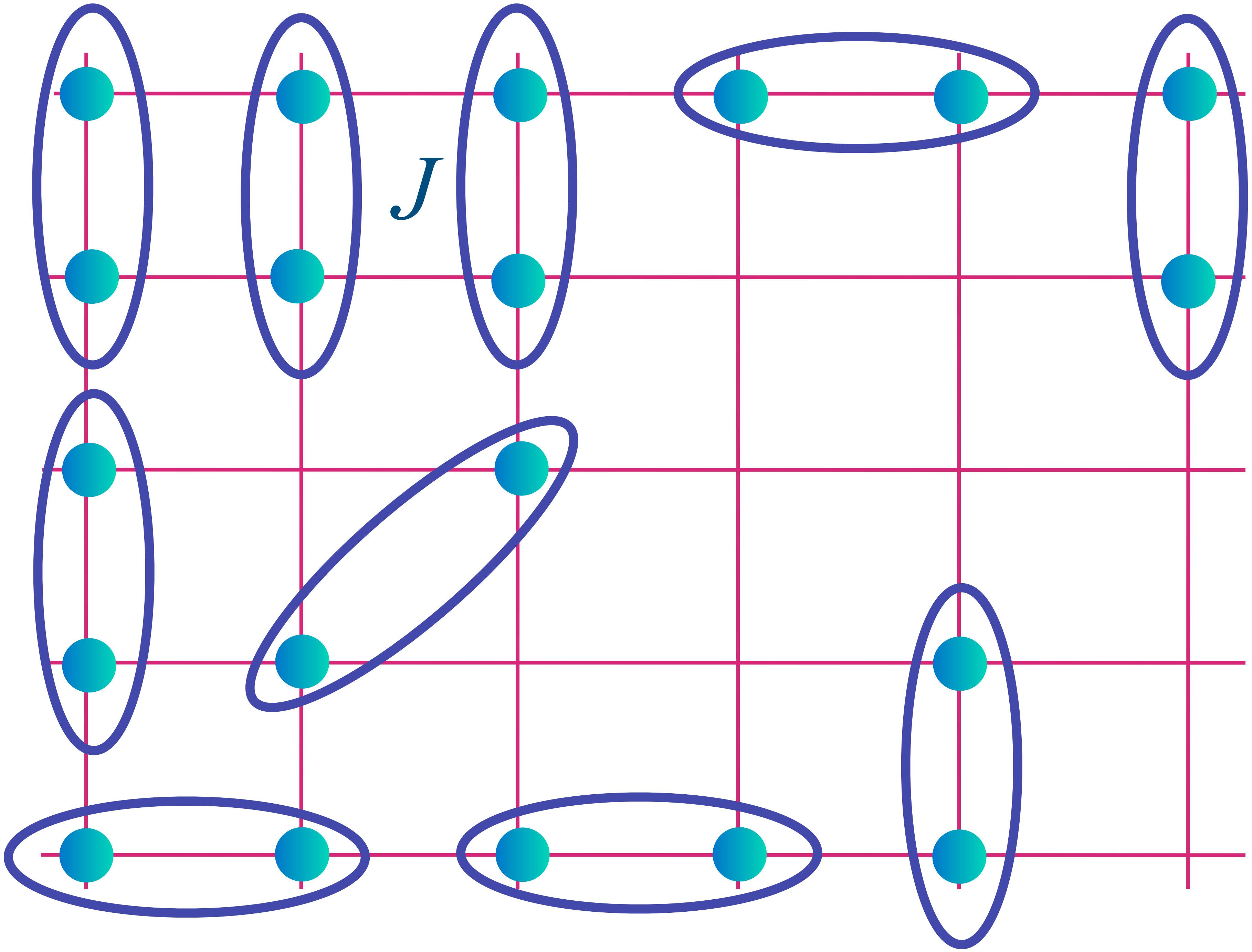

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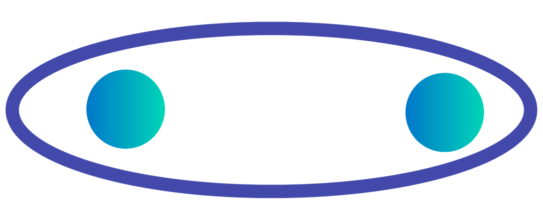

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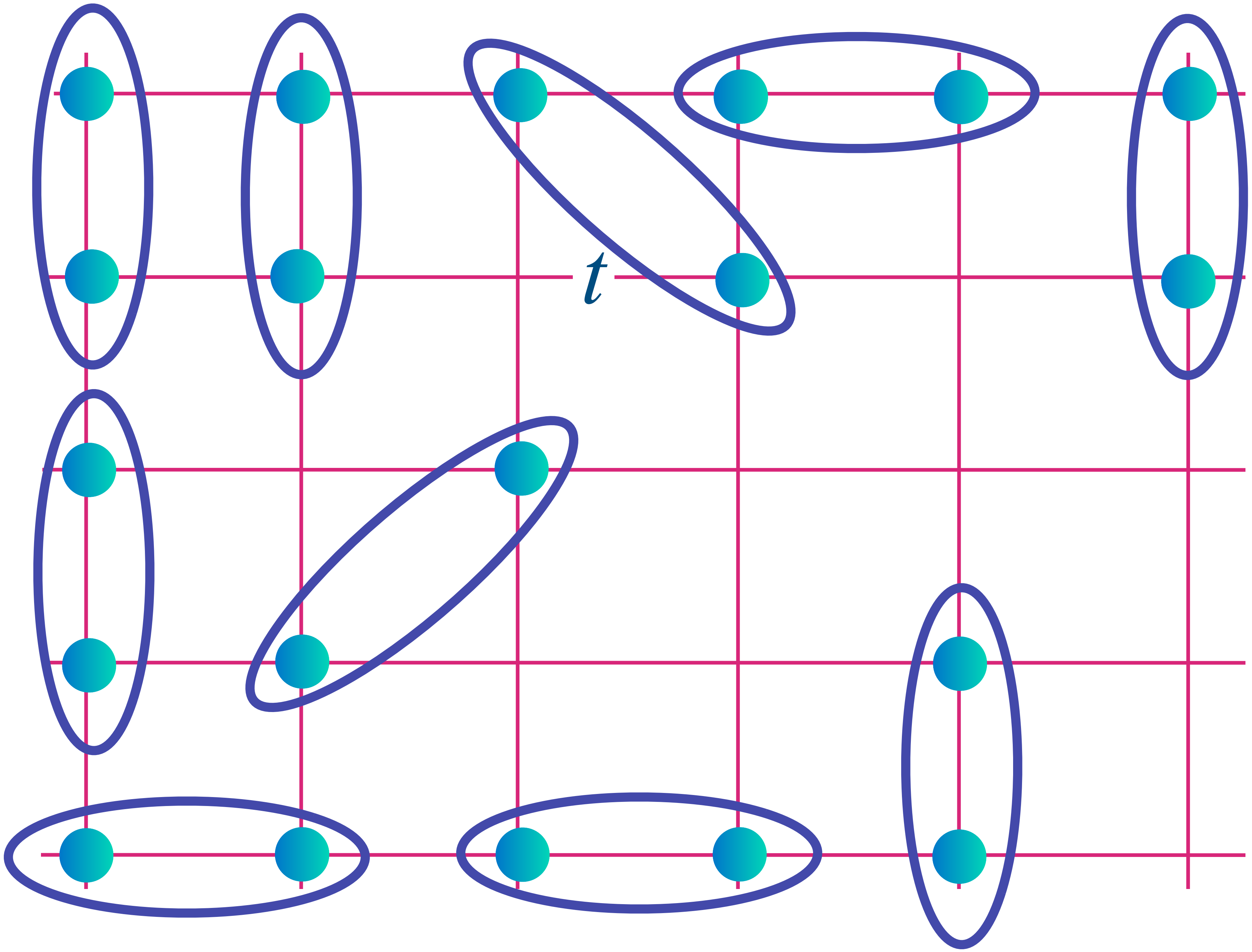

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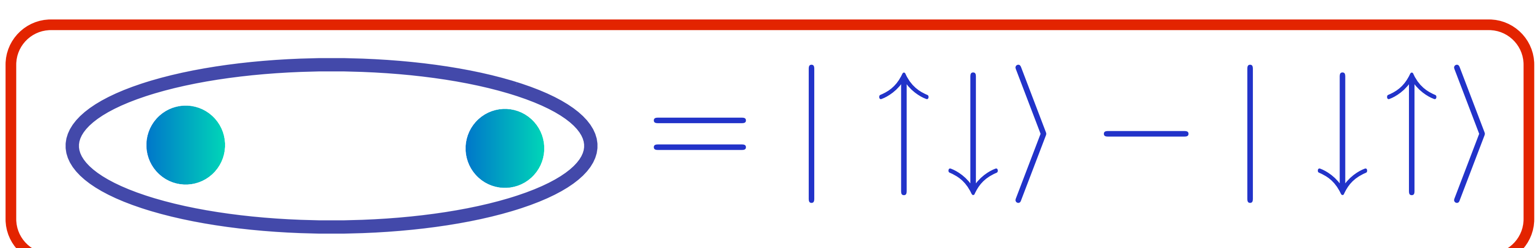

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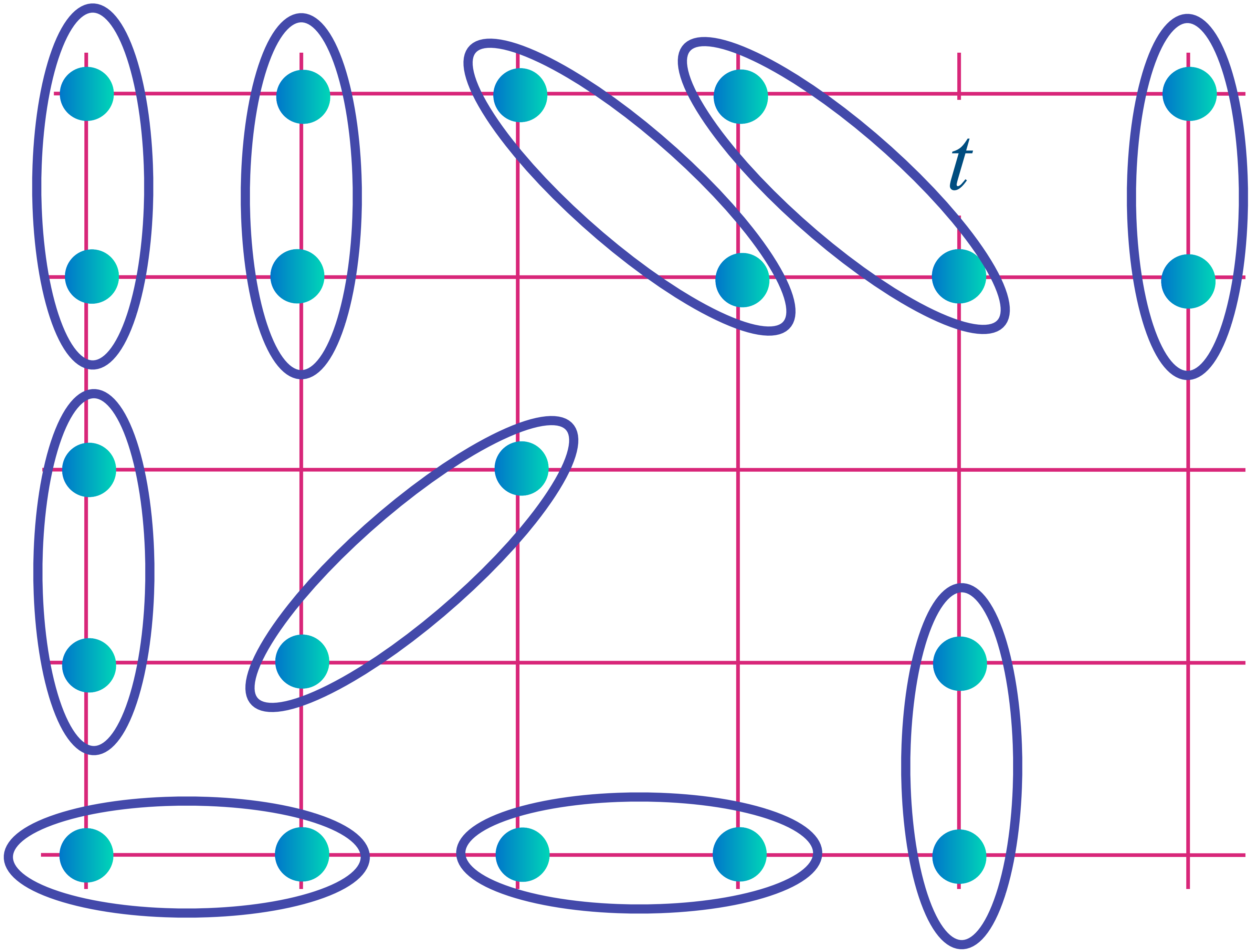

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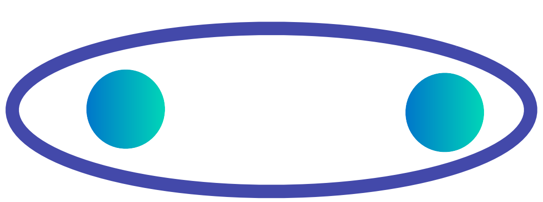

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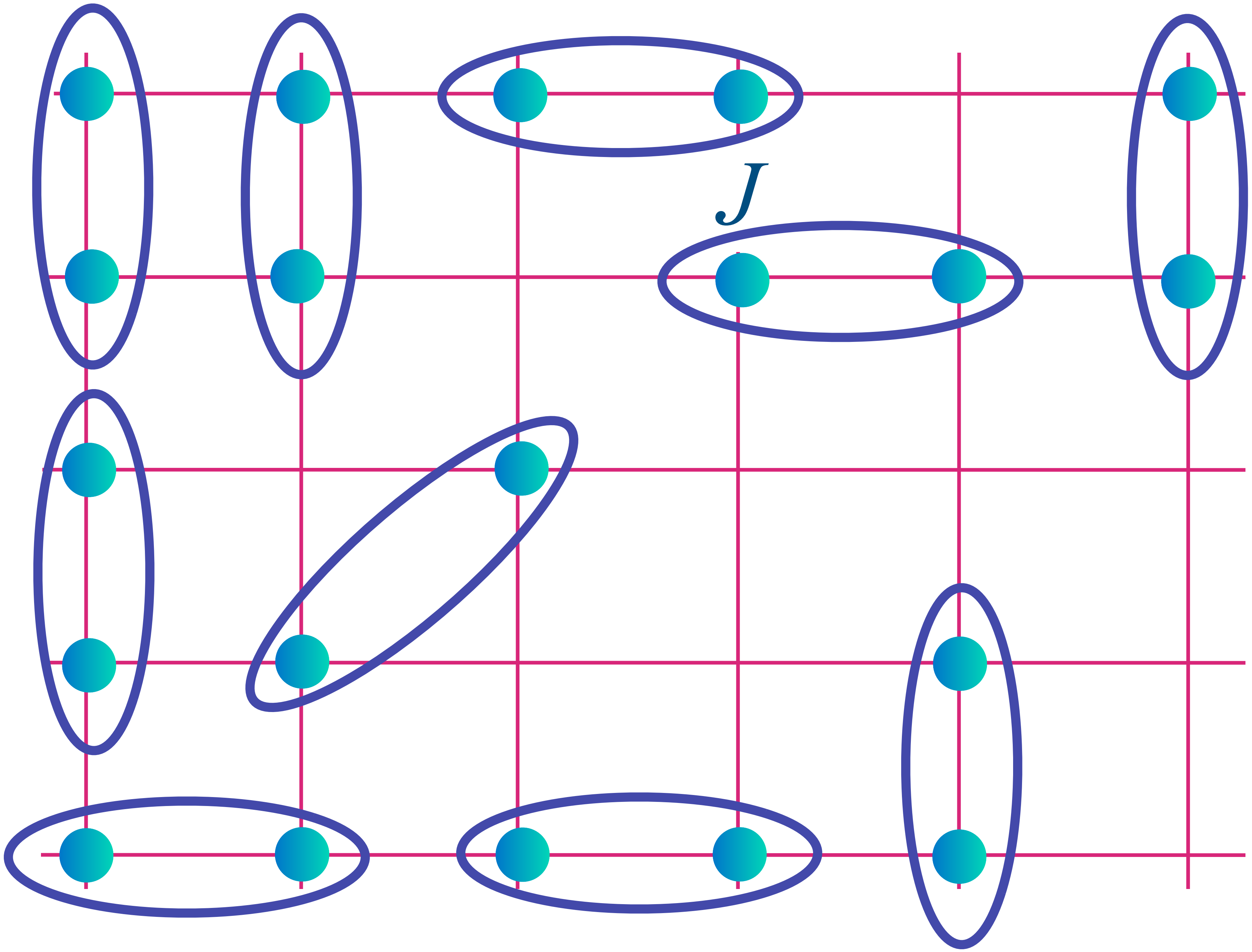

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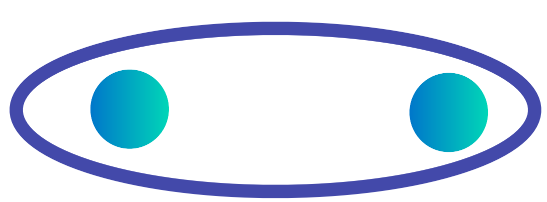

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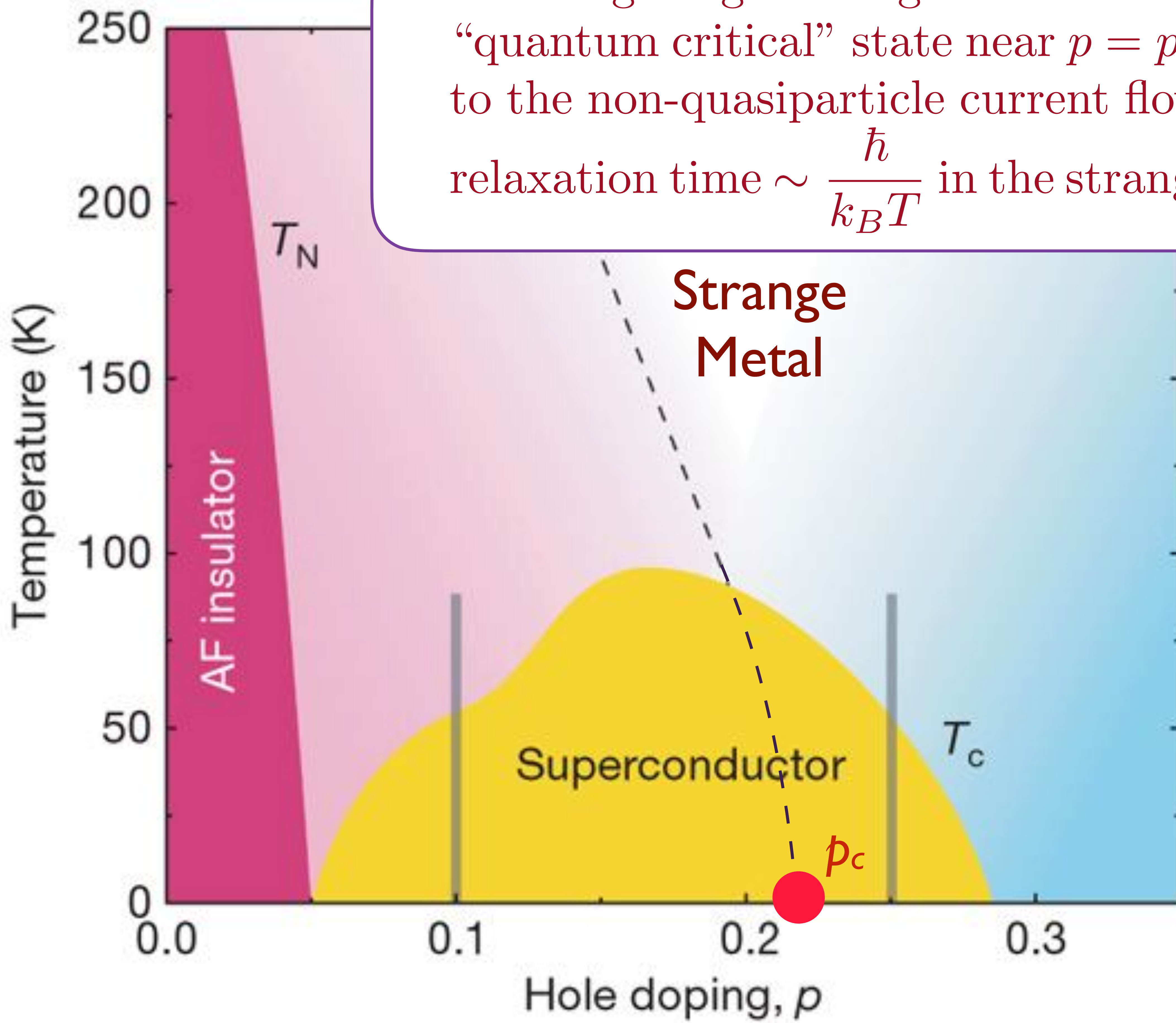

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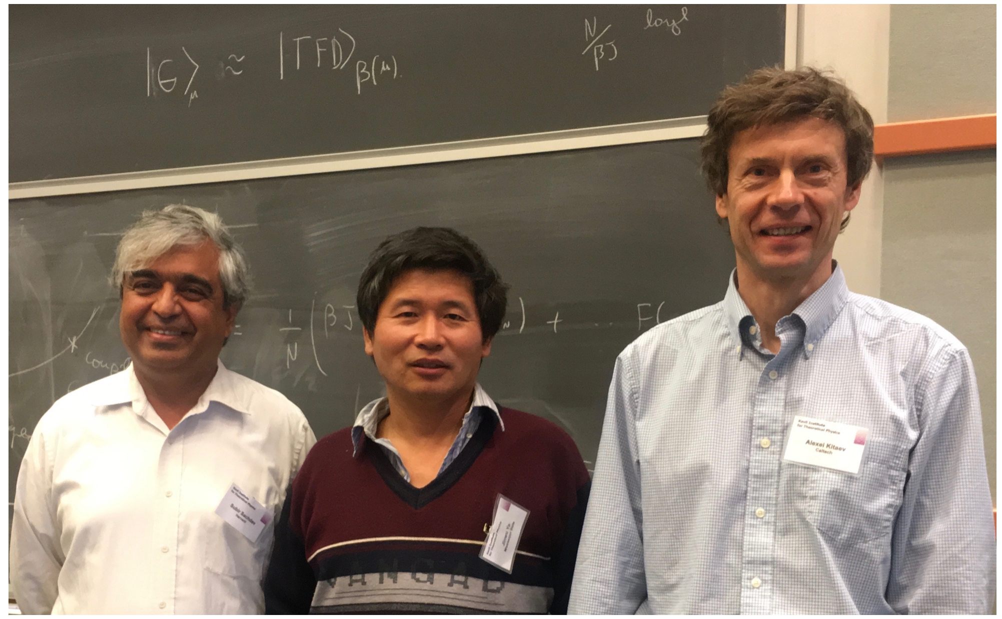

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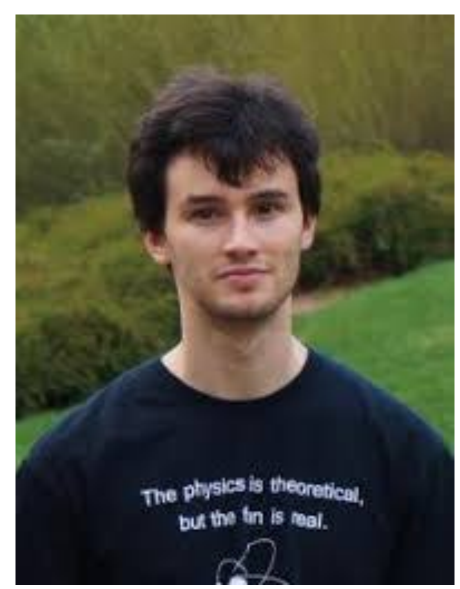

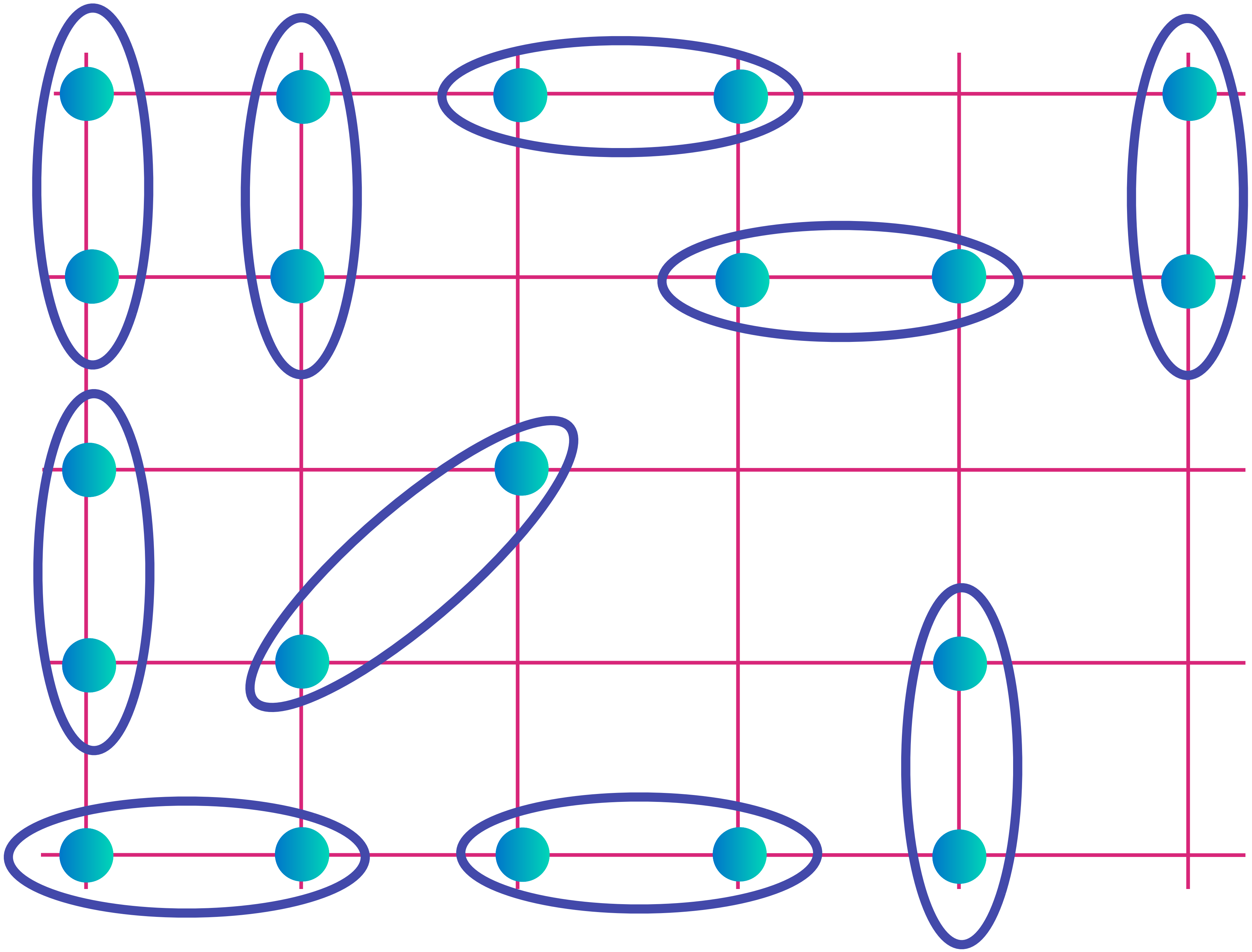

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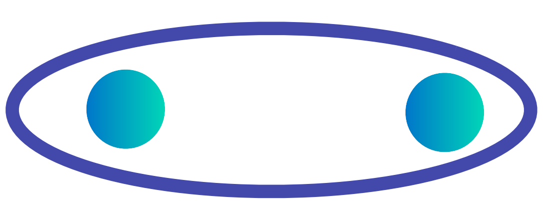
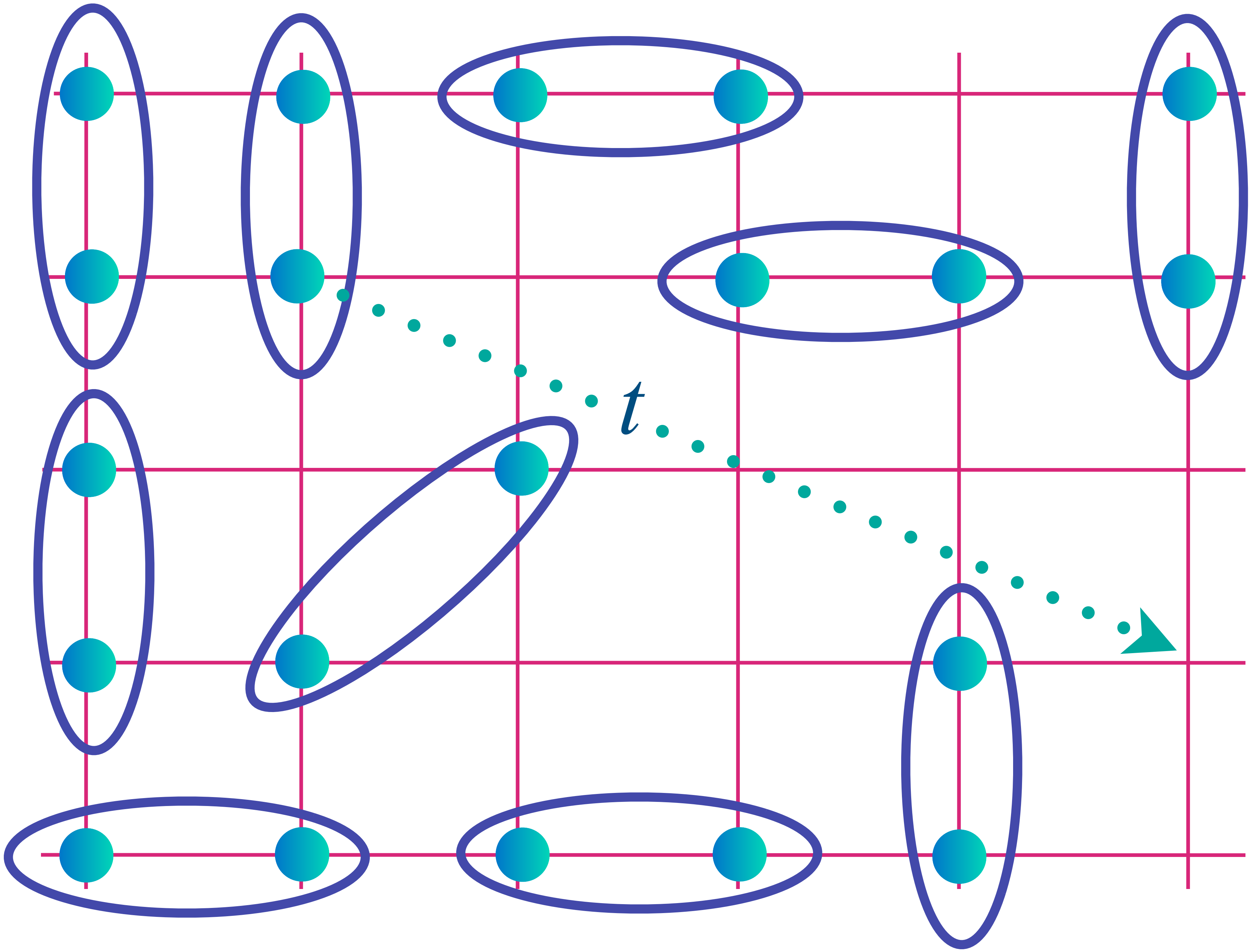
 $= |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$



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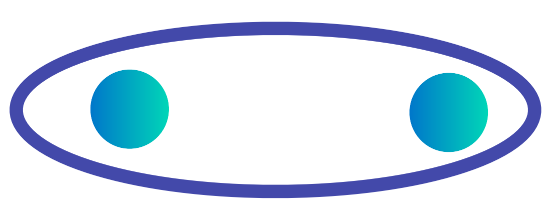

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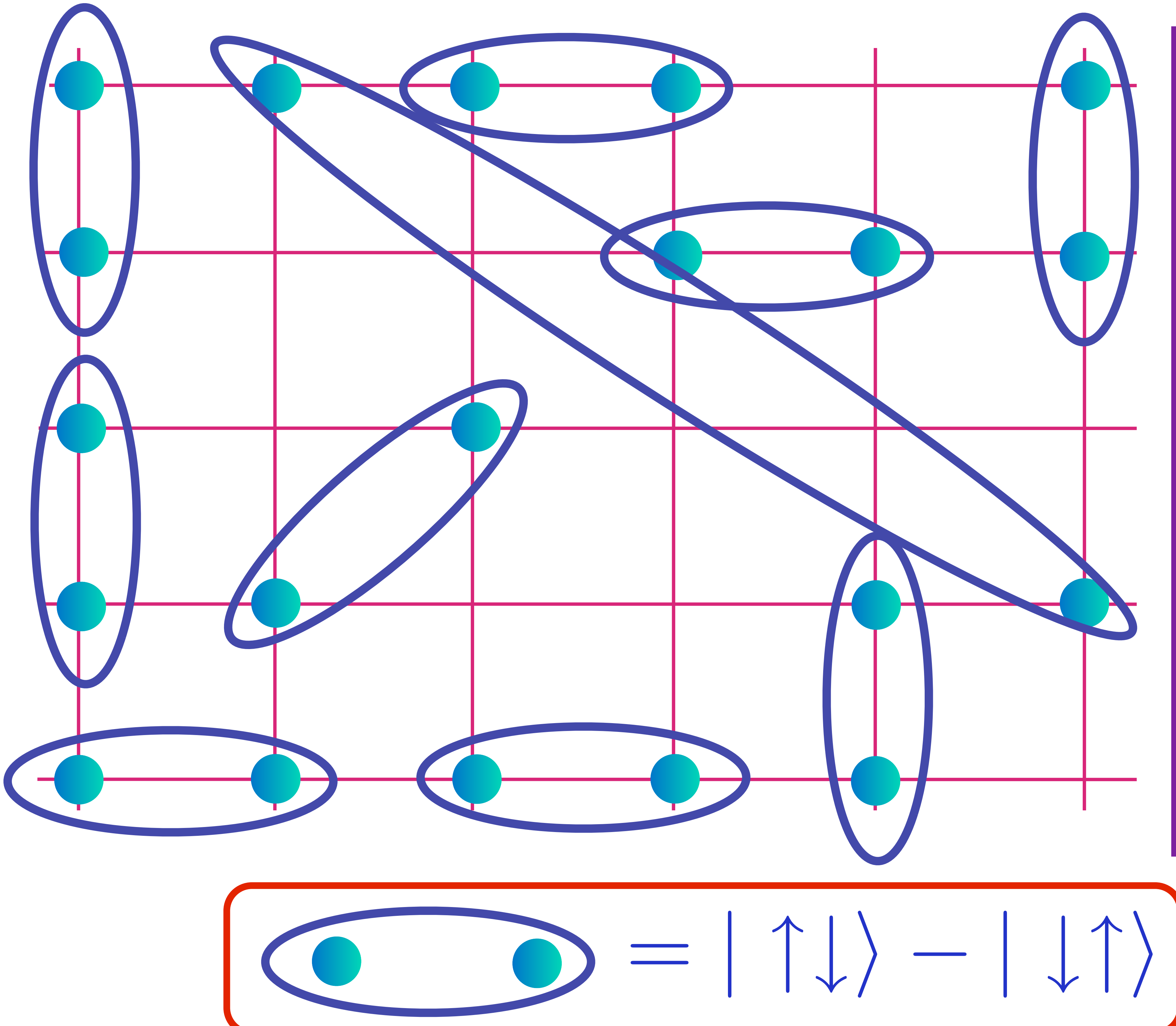

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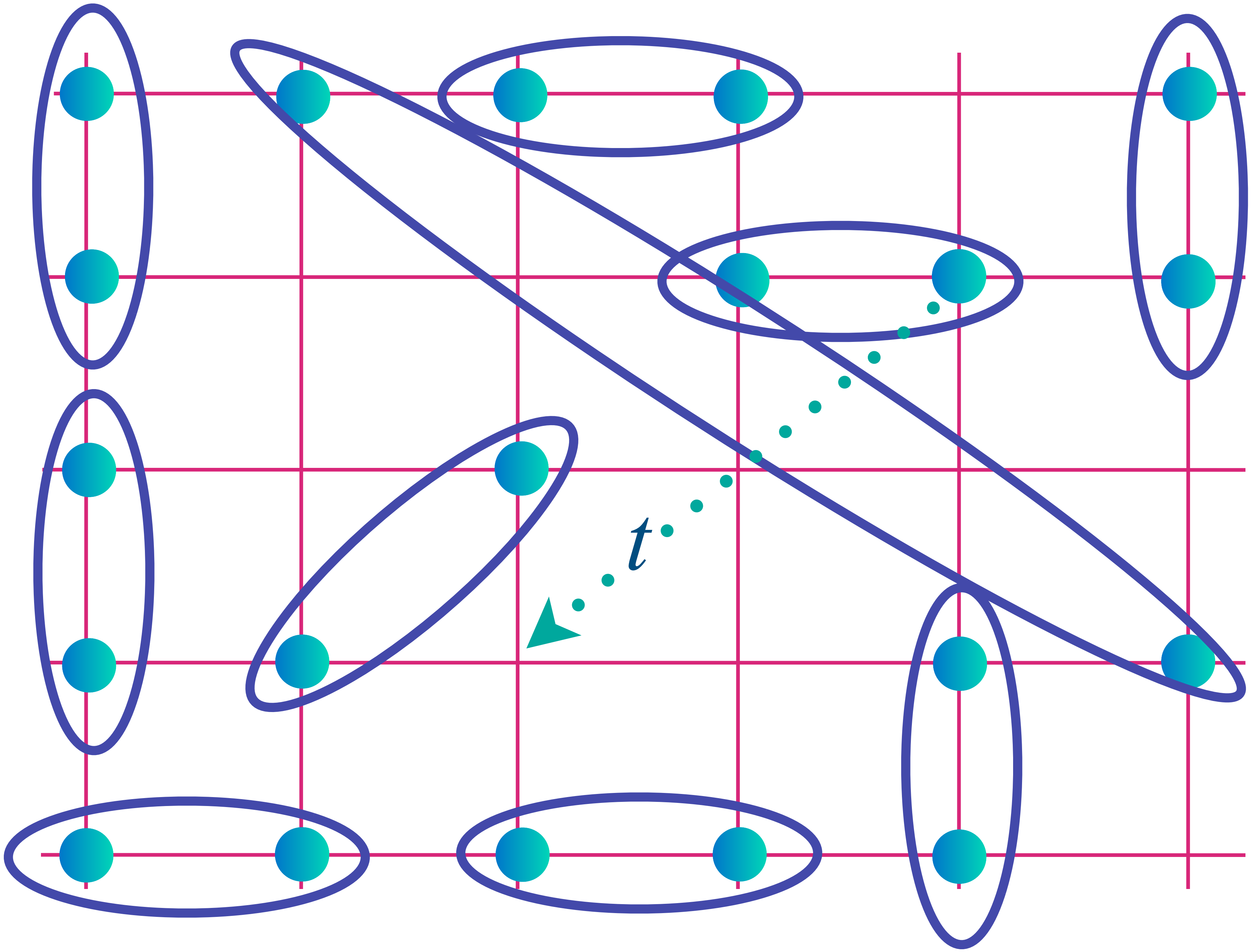

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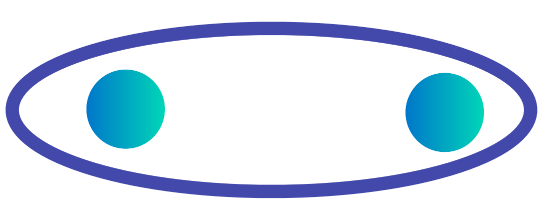

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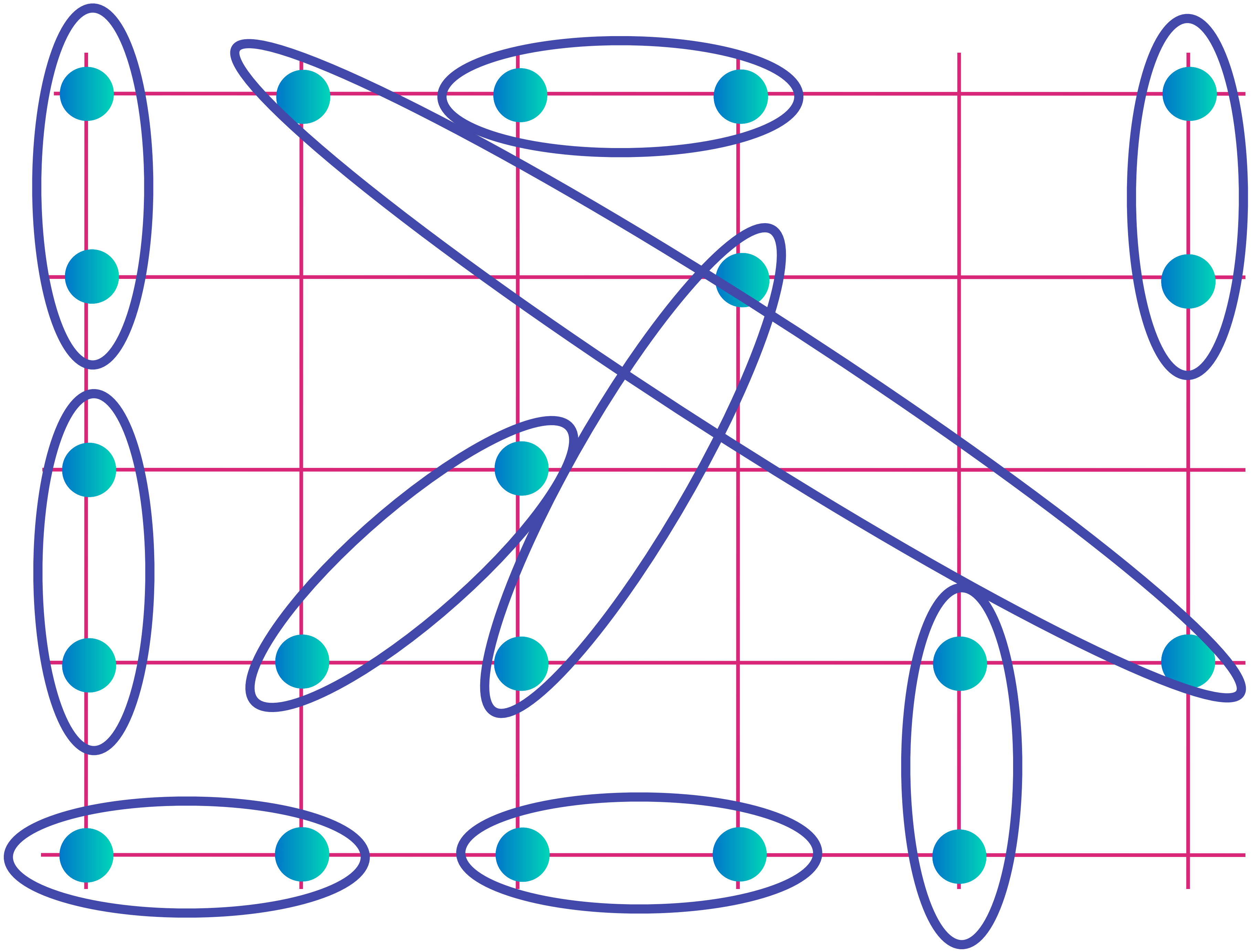

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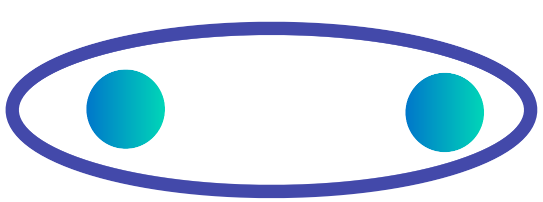

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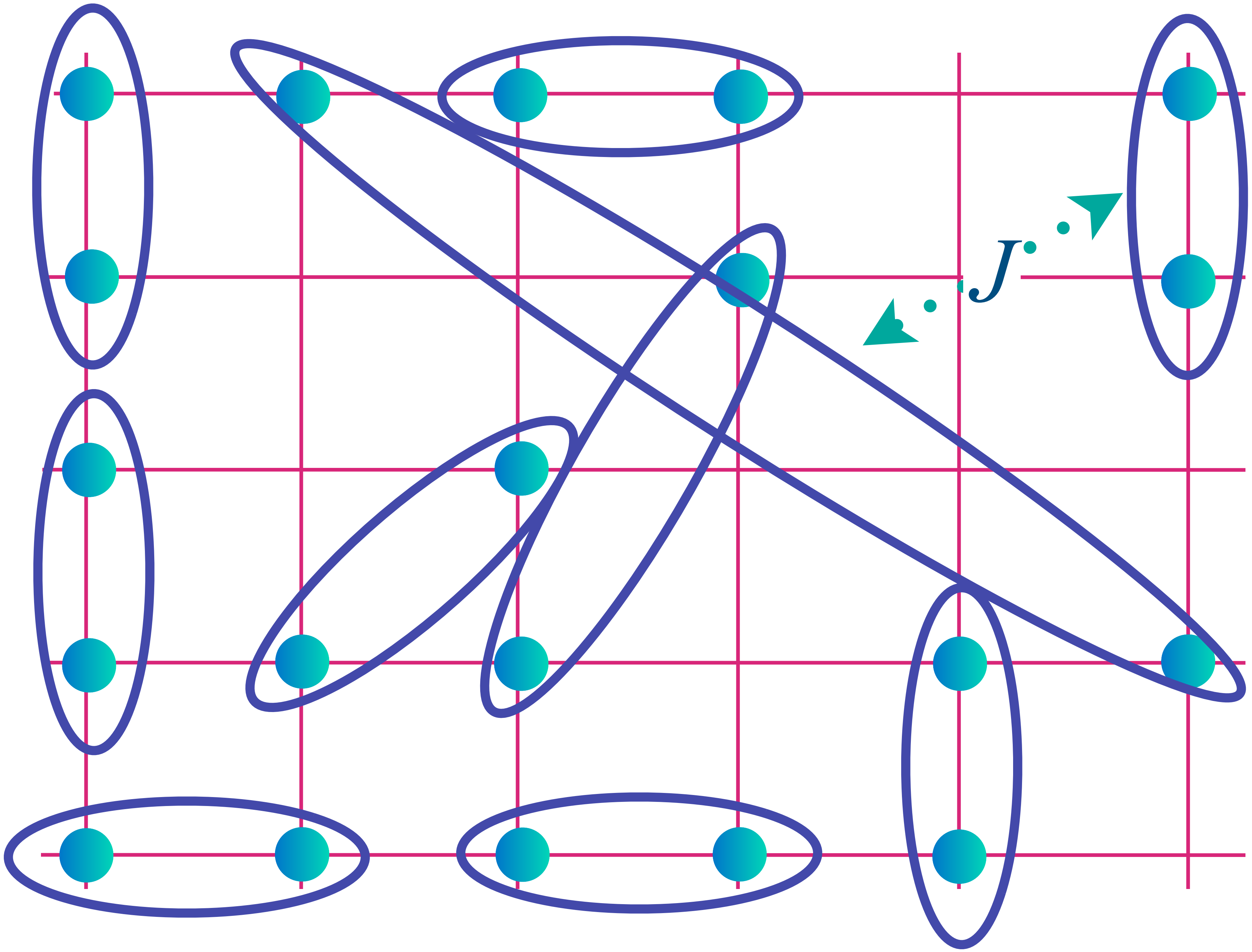

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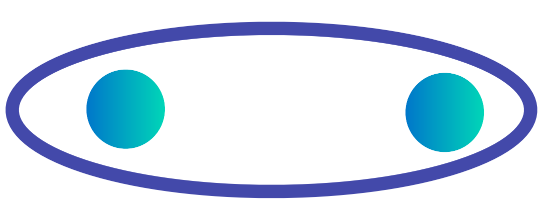
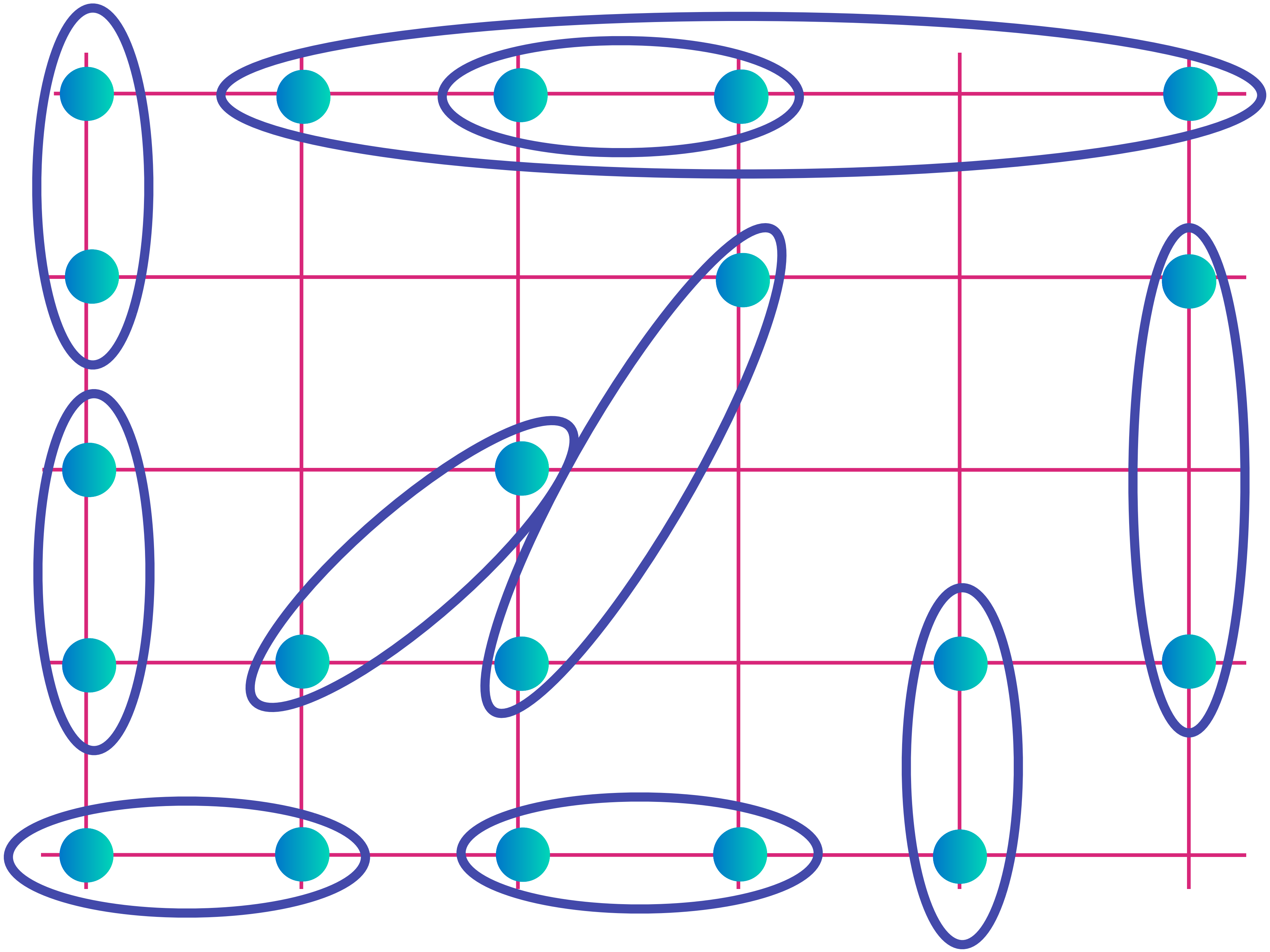
 $= |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$



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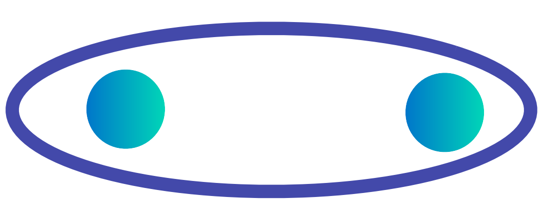
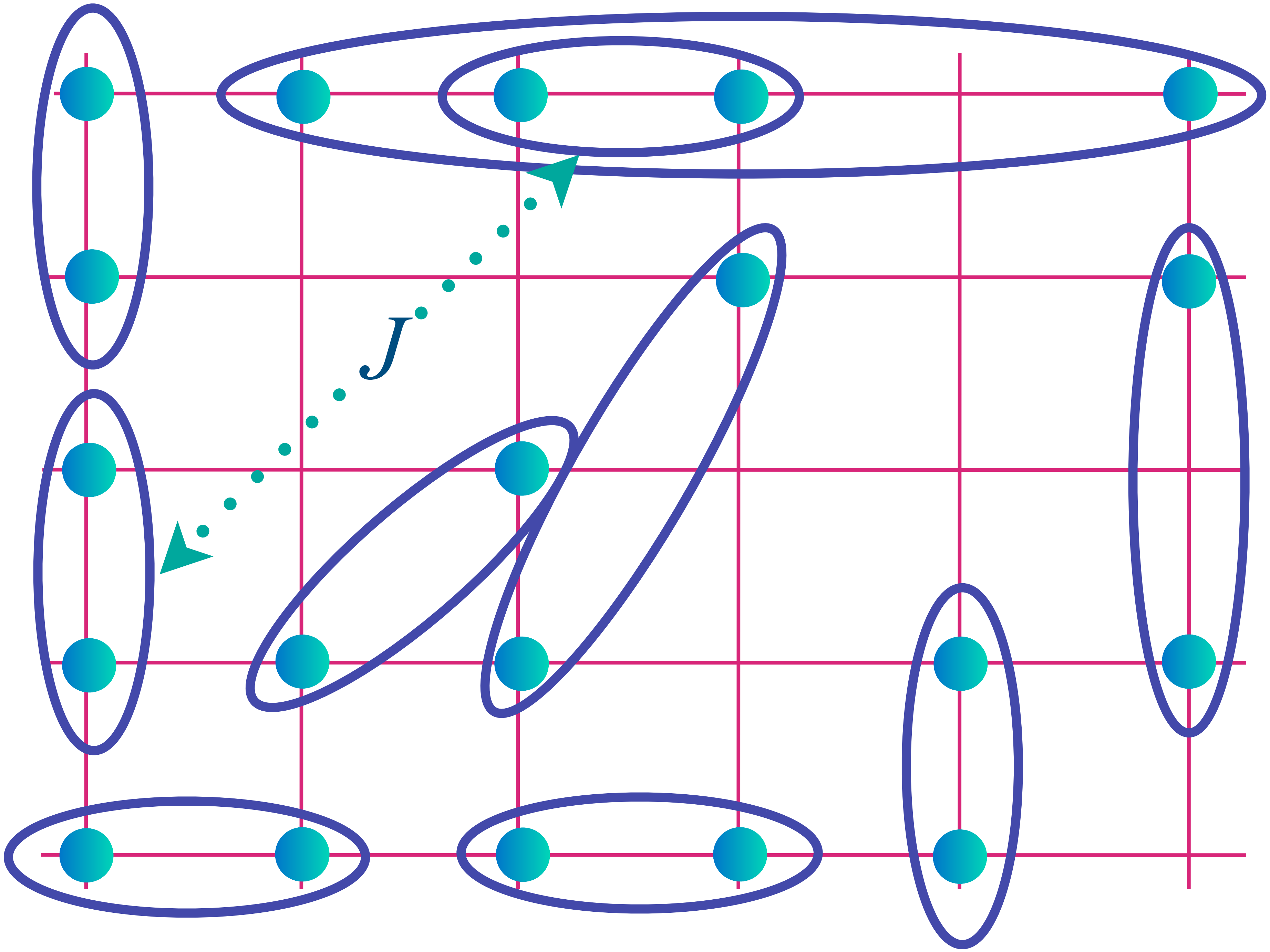
 $= |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$



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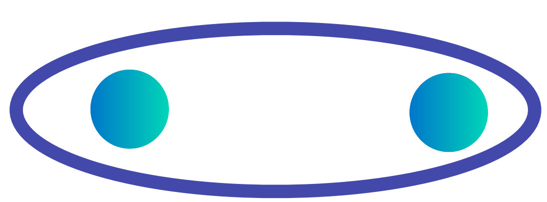
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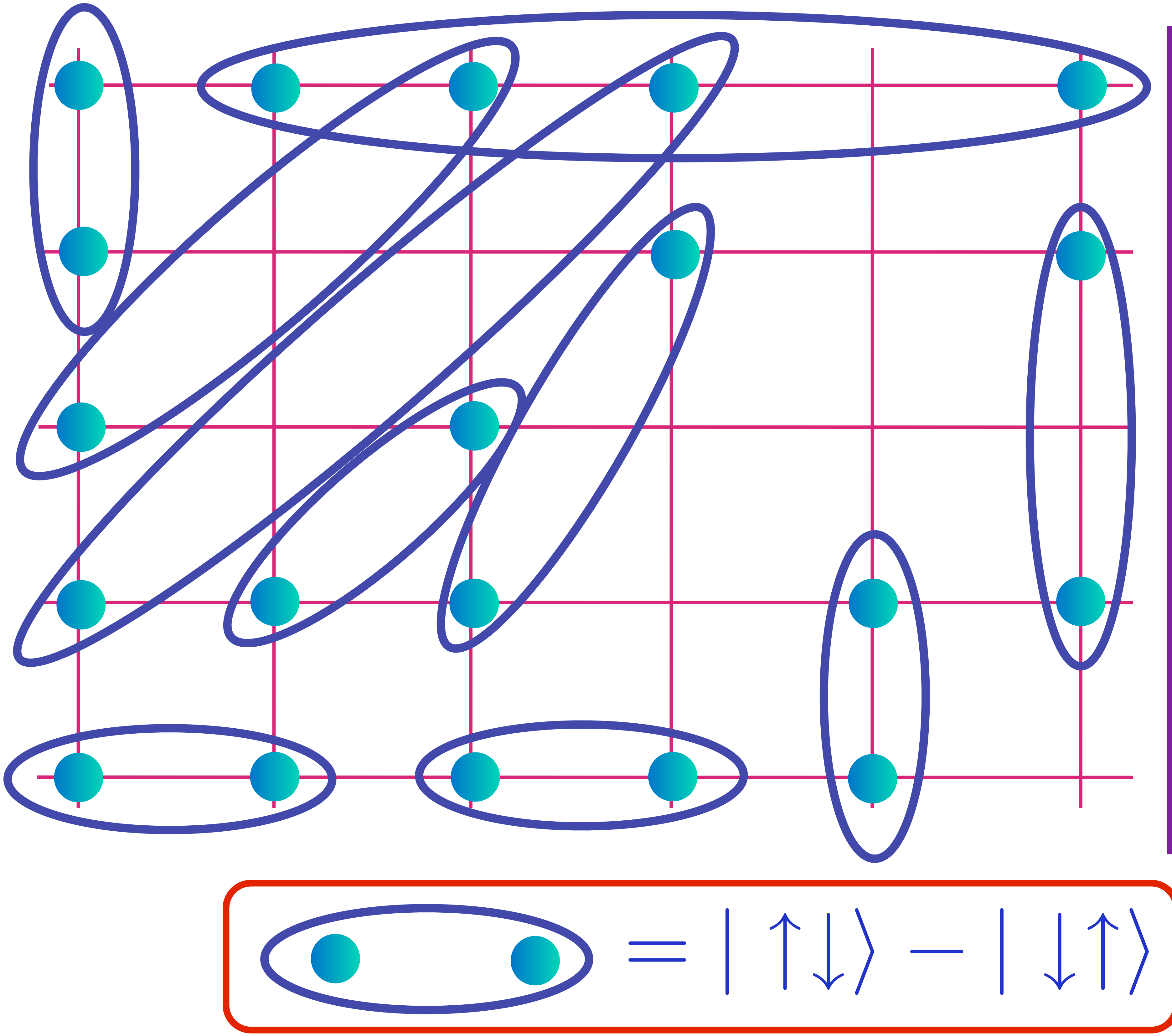

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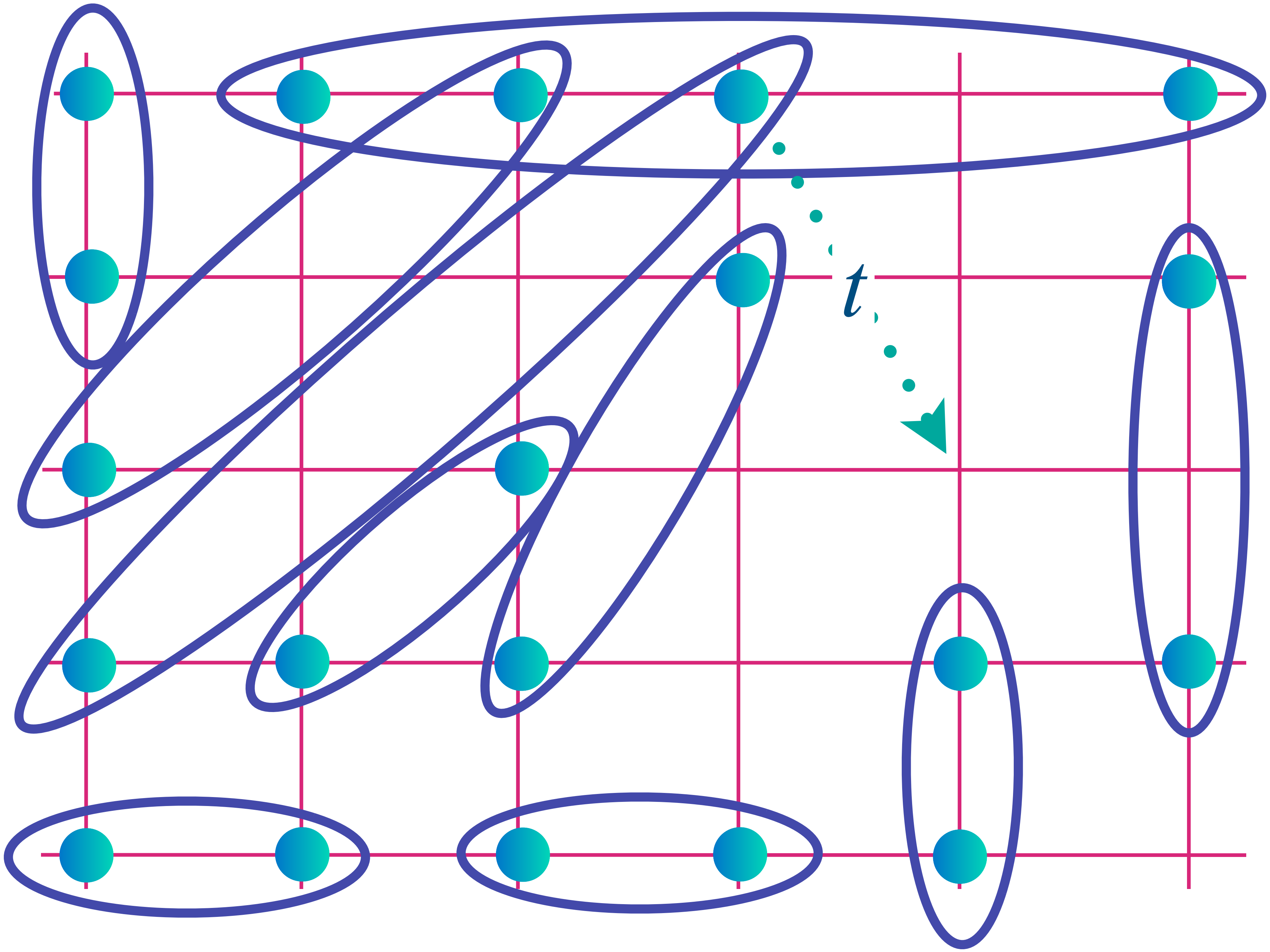

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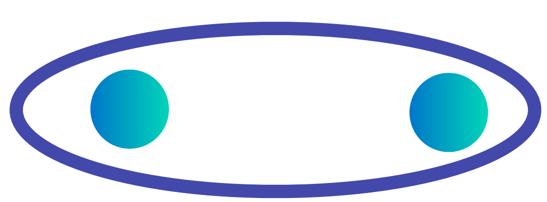

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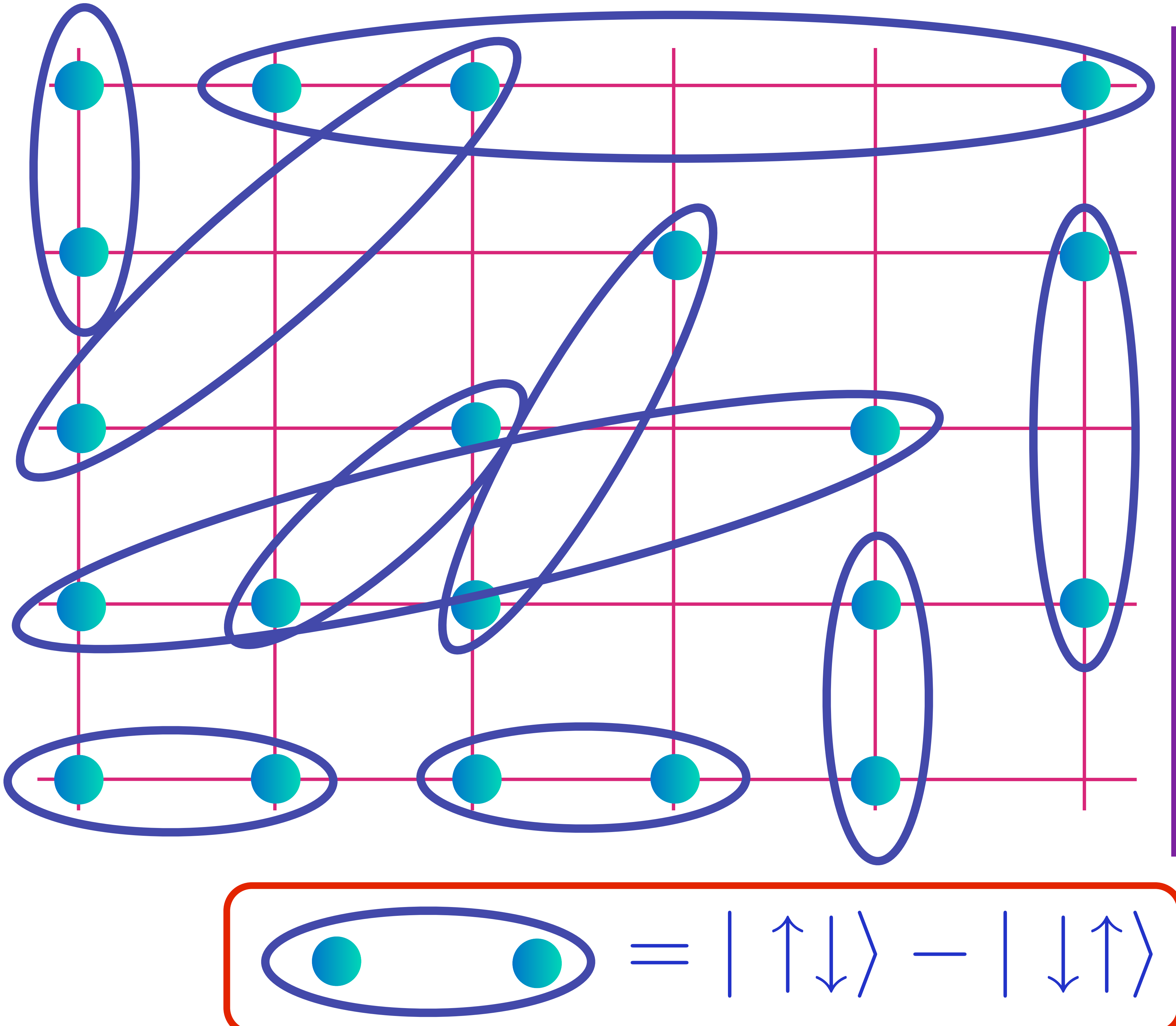

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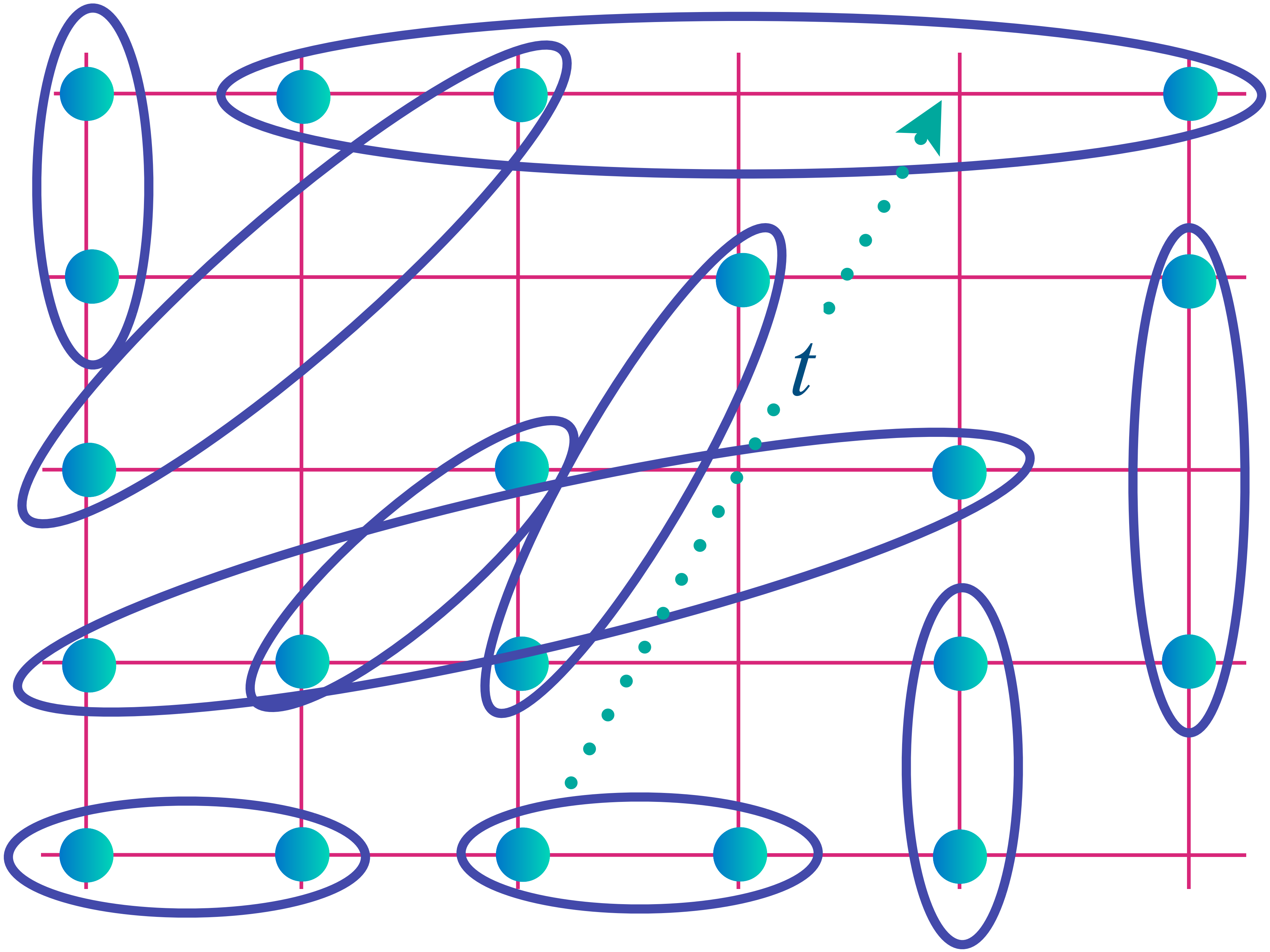

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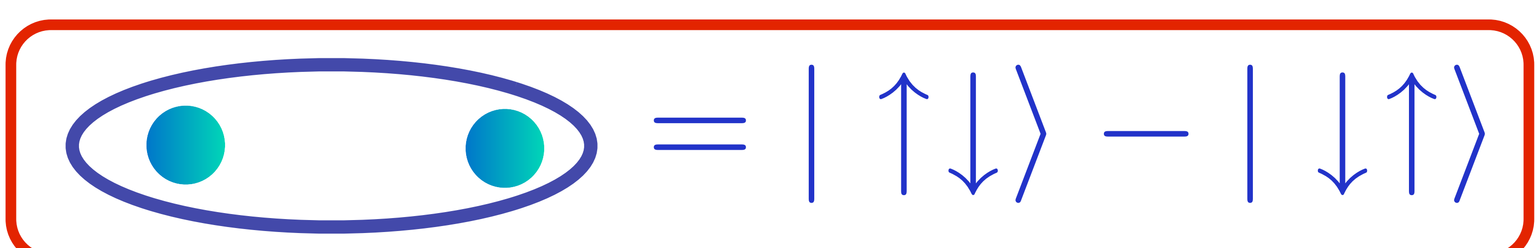

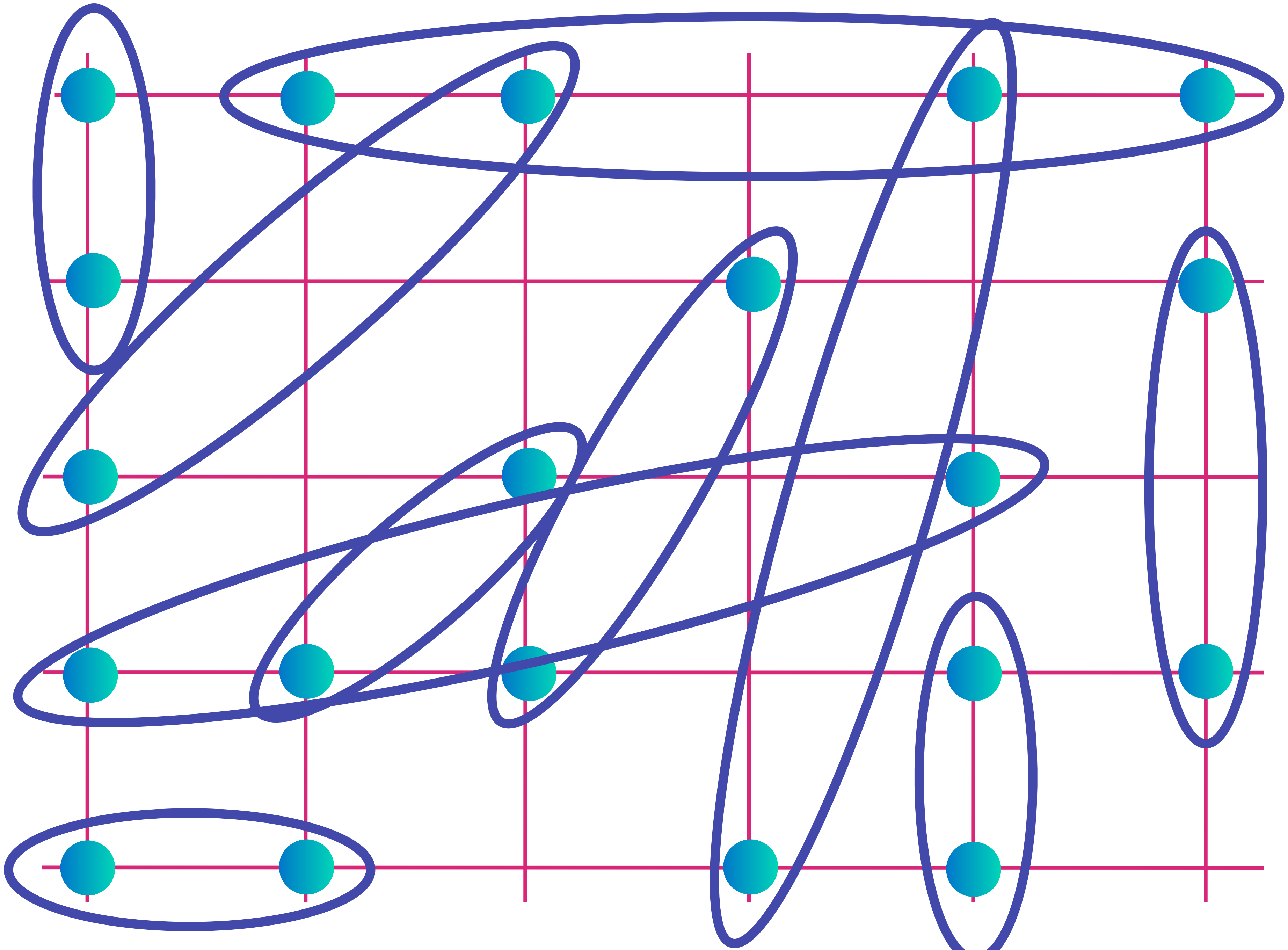

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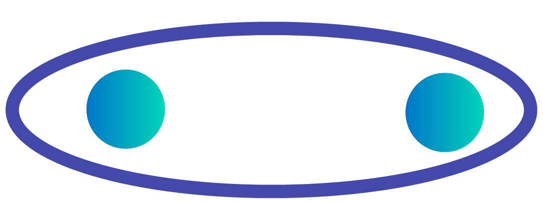
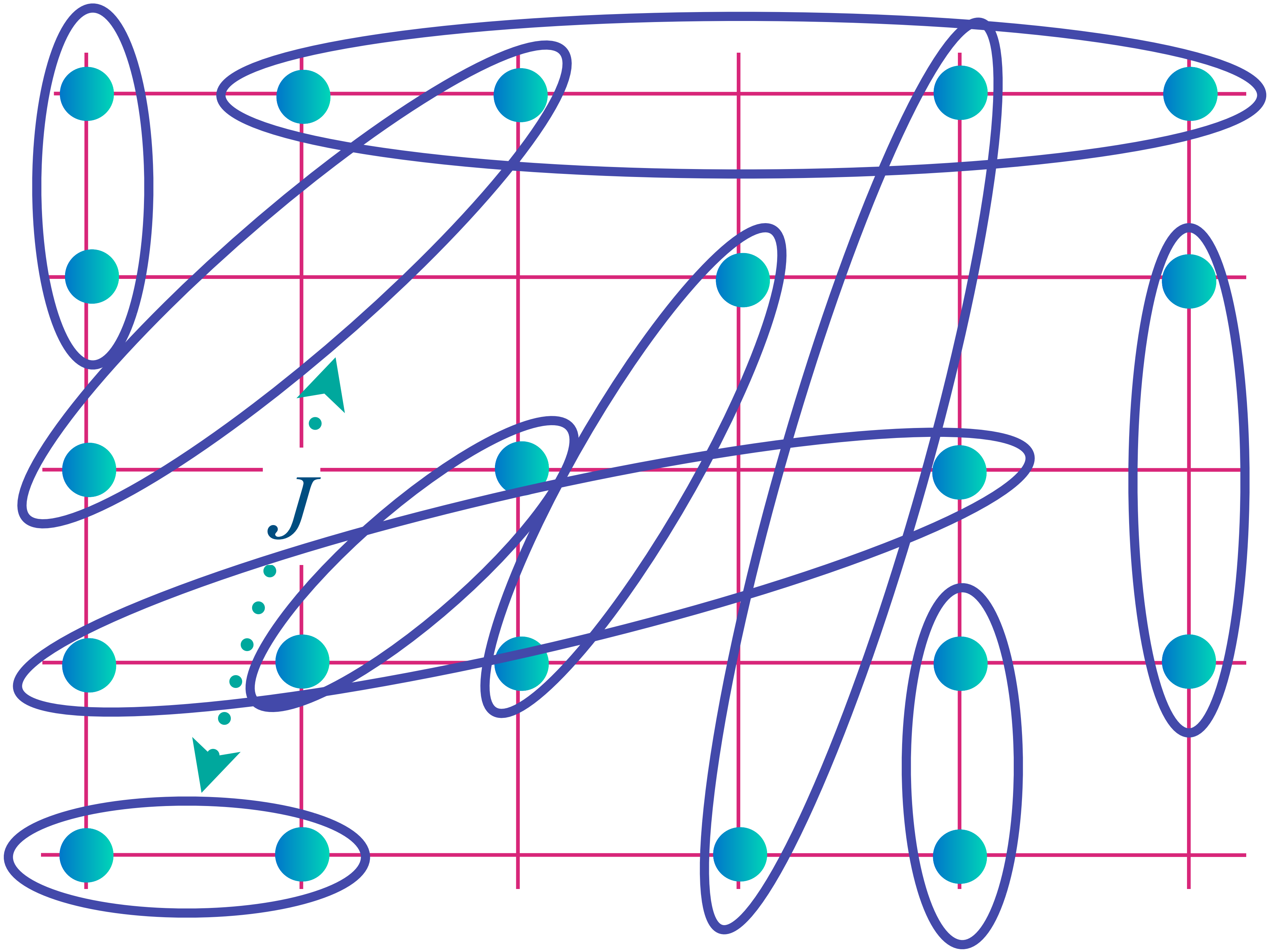
 $= |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$



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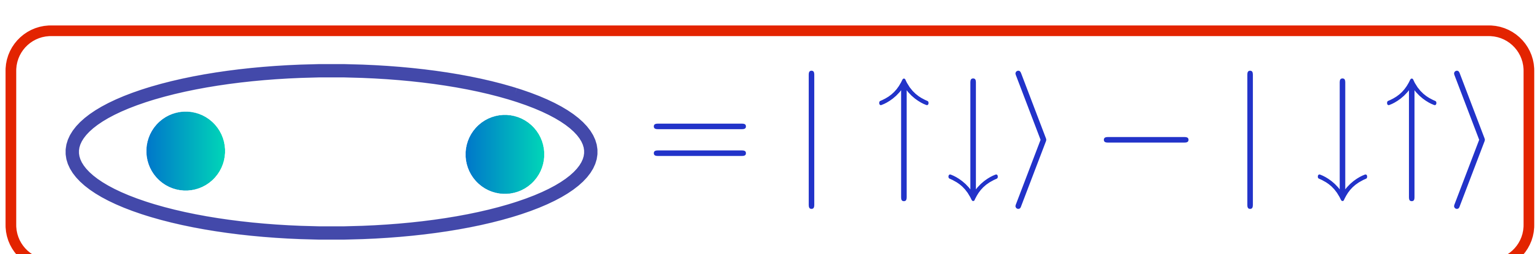

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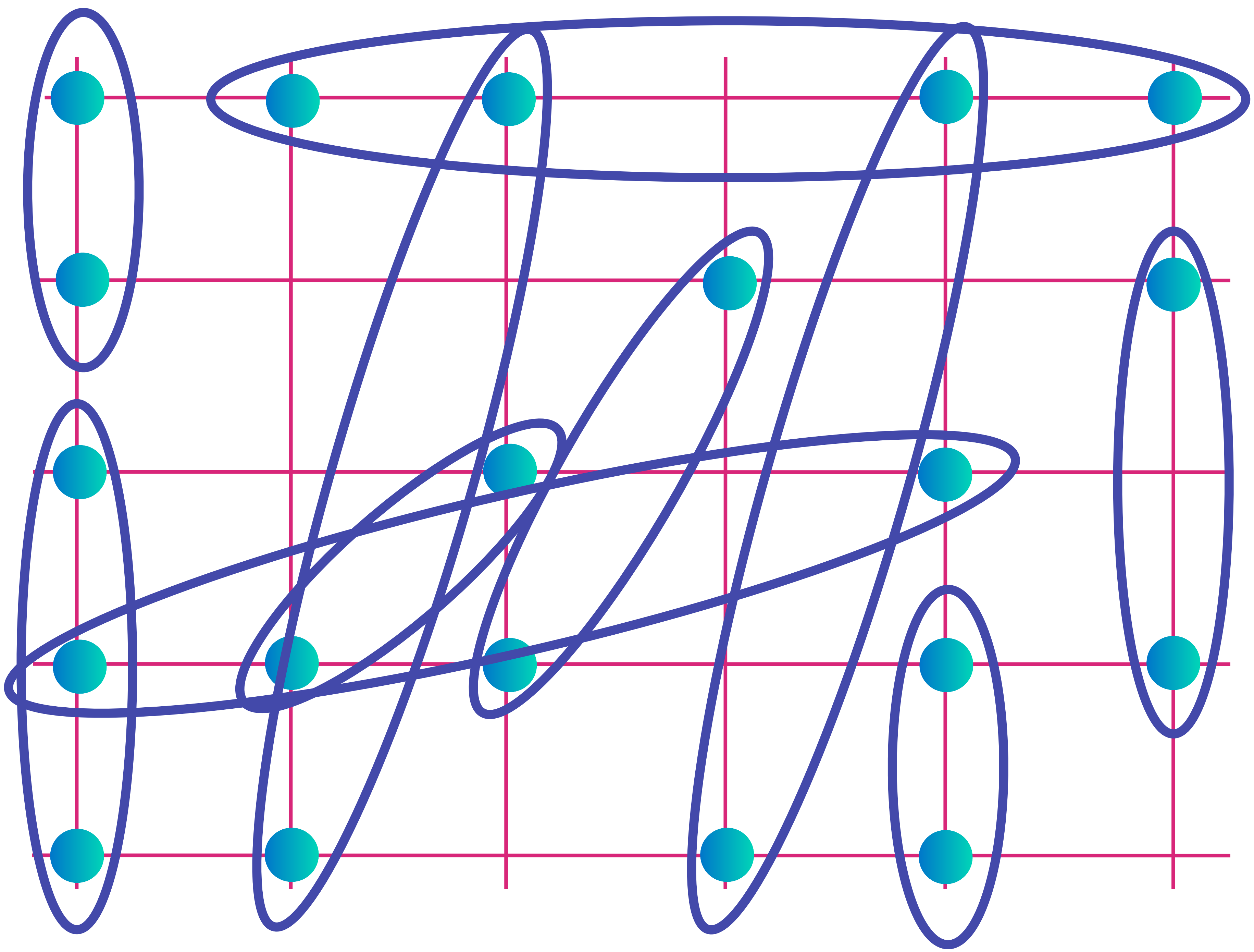

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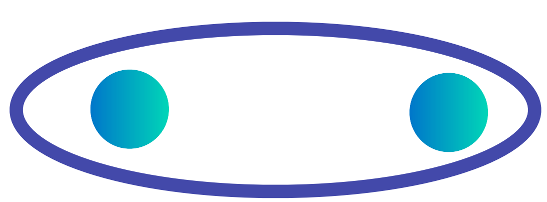 $= |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$

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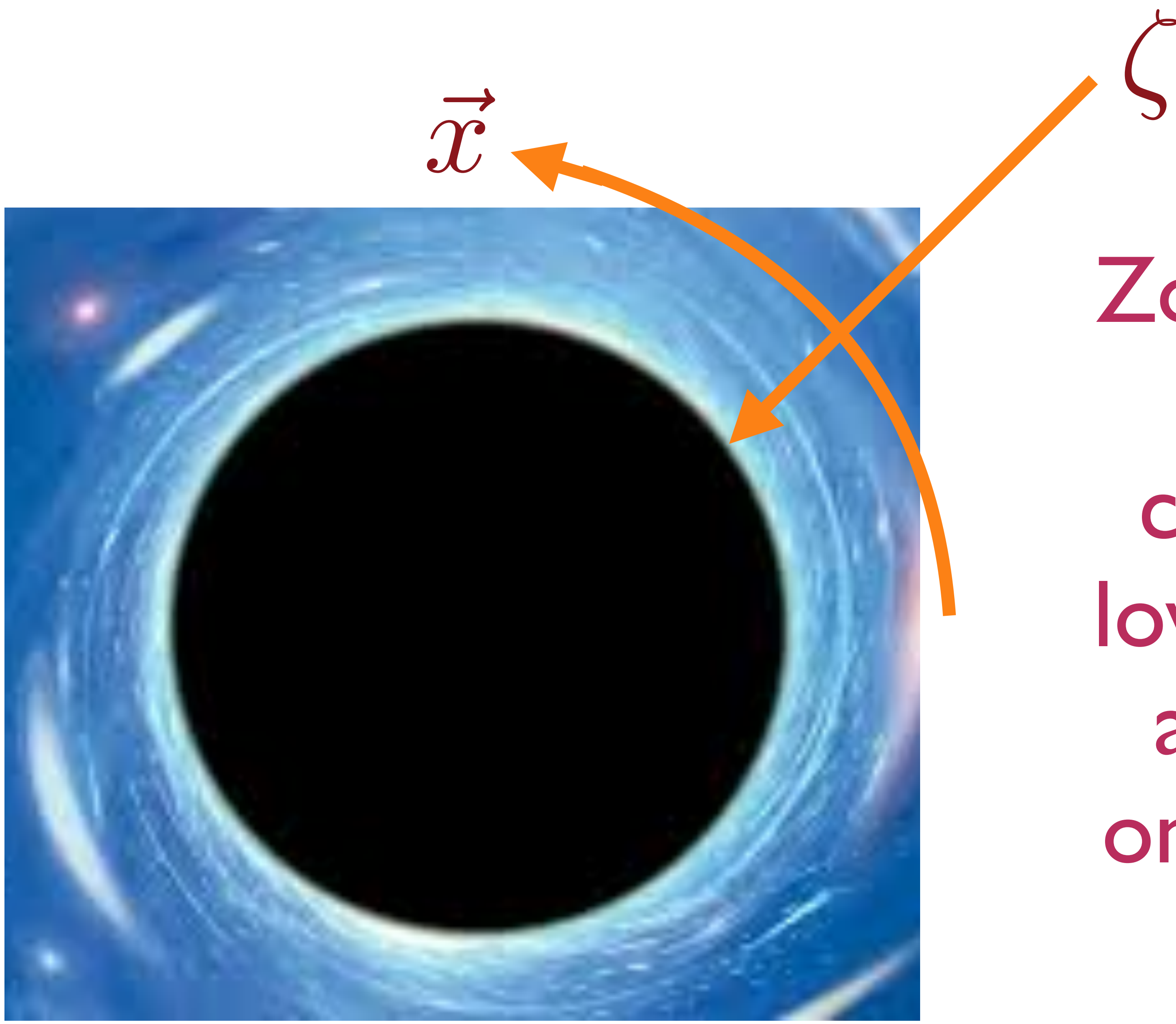

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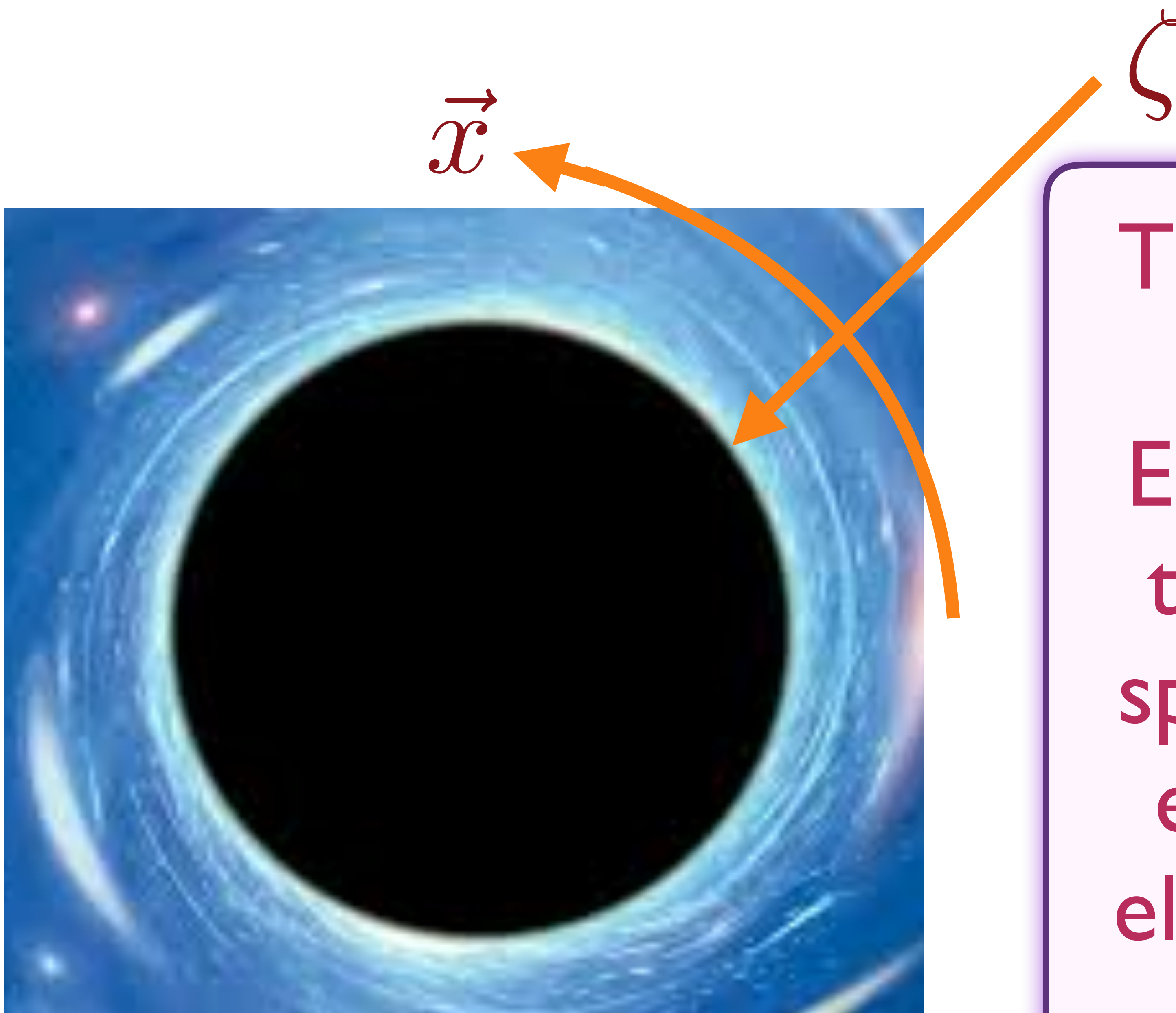

The quantum versions of Maxwell's and Einstein's equations in this two-dimensional spacetime are also the equations describing electron entanglement in the SYK model

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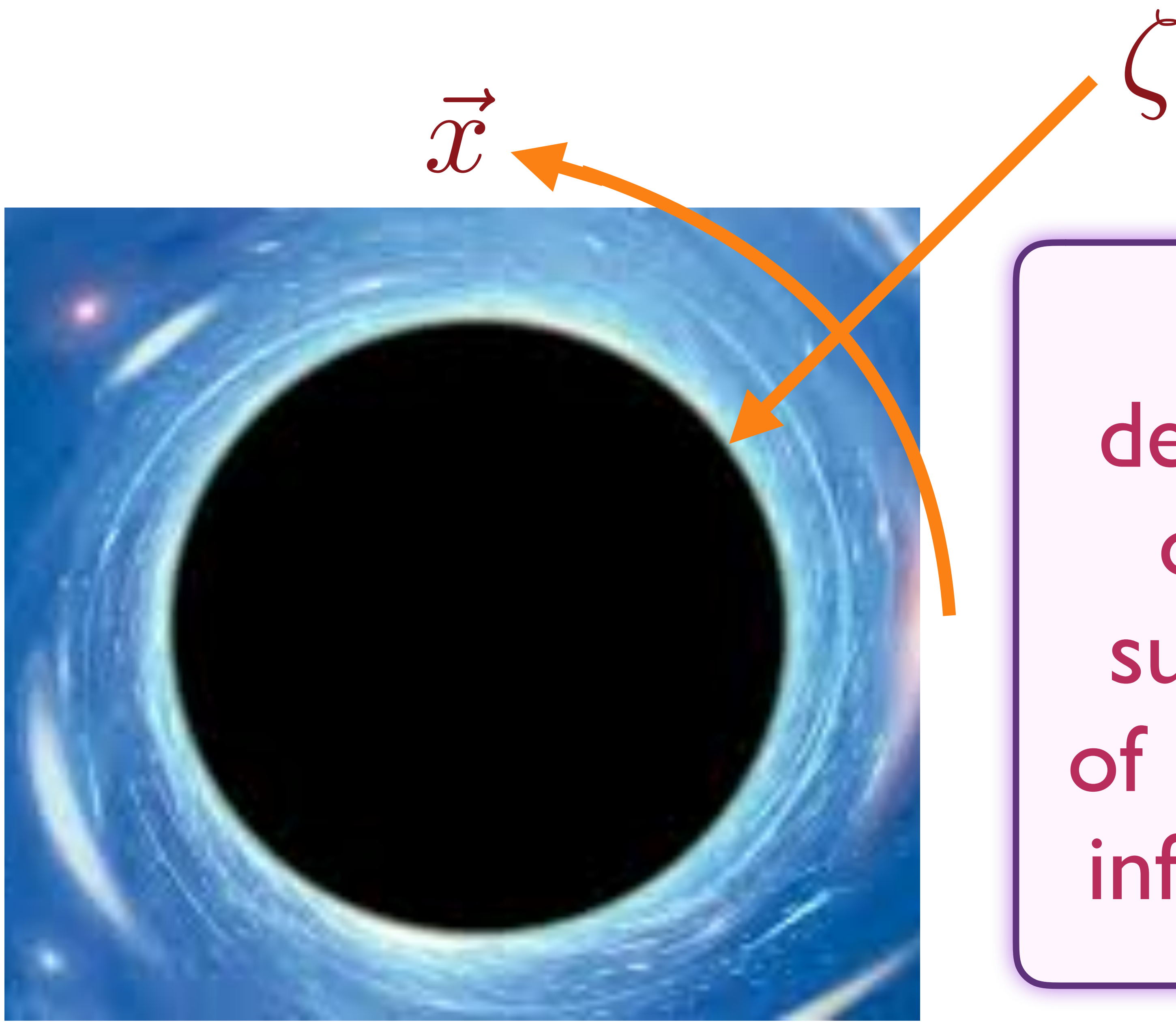

This has led to a deeper understanding of entanglement in superconductors and of Hawking's black hole information "paradox"

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