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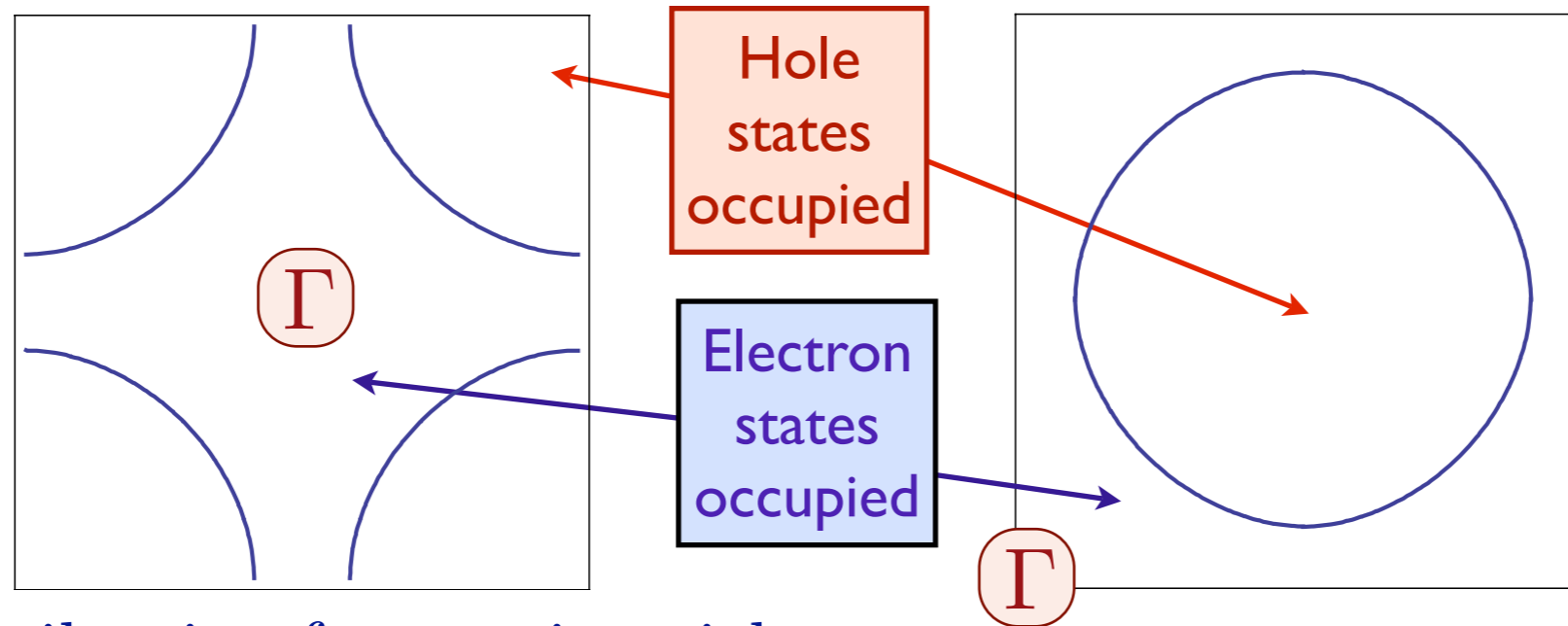
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# Fermi surfaces in electron- and hole-doped cuprates



Effective Hamiltonian for quasiparticles:

$$H_0 = - \sum_{i < j} t_{ij} c_{i\alpha}^\dagger c_{j\alpha} \equiv \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}^\dagger c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}$$

with  $t_{ij}$  non-zero for first, second and third neighbor, leads to satisfactory agreement with experiments. The area of the occupied electron states,  $\mathcal{A}_e$ , from Luttinger's theory is

$$\mathcal{A}_e = \begin{cases} 2\pi^2(1 - p) & \text{for hole-doping } p \\ 2\pi^2(1 + x) & \text{for electron-doping } x \end{cases}$$

The area of the occupied hole states,  $\mathcal{A}_h$ , which form a closed Fermi surface and so appear in quantum oscillation experiments is  $\mathcal{A}_h = 4\pi^2 - \mathcal{A}_e$ .

# Spin density wave theory

In the presence of spin density wave order,  $\vec{\varphi}$  at wavevector  $\mathbf{K} = (\pi, \pi)$ , we have an additional term which mixes electron states with momentum separated by  $\mathbf{K}$

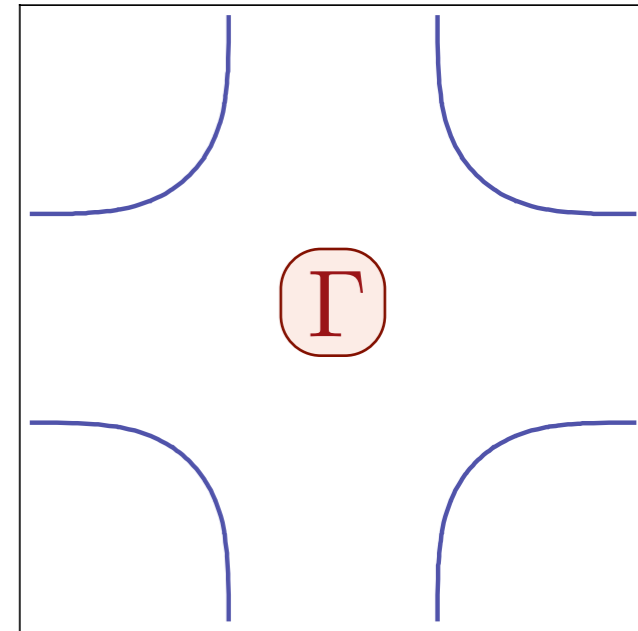
$$H_{\text{sdw}} = -\vec{\varphi} \cdot \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \alpha, \beta} c_{\mathbf{k}, \alpha}^\dagger \vec{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} c_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{K}, \beta}$$

where  $\vec{\sigma}$  are the Pauli matrices. The electron dispersions obtained by diagonalizing  $H_0 + H_{\text{sdw}}$  for  $\vec{\varphi} = (0, 0, \varphi)$  are

$$E_{\mathbf{k}\pm} = \frac{\varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}} + \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{K}}}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}} - \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{K}}}{2}\right)^2 + \varphi^2}$$

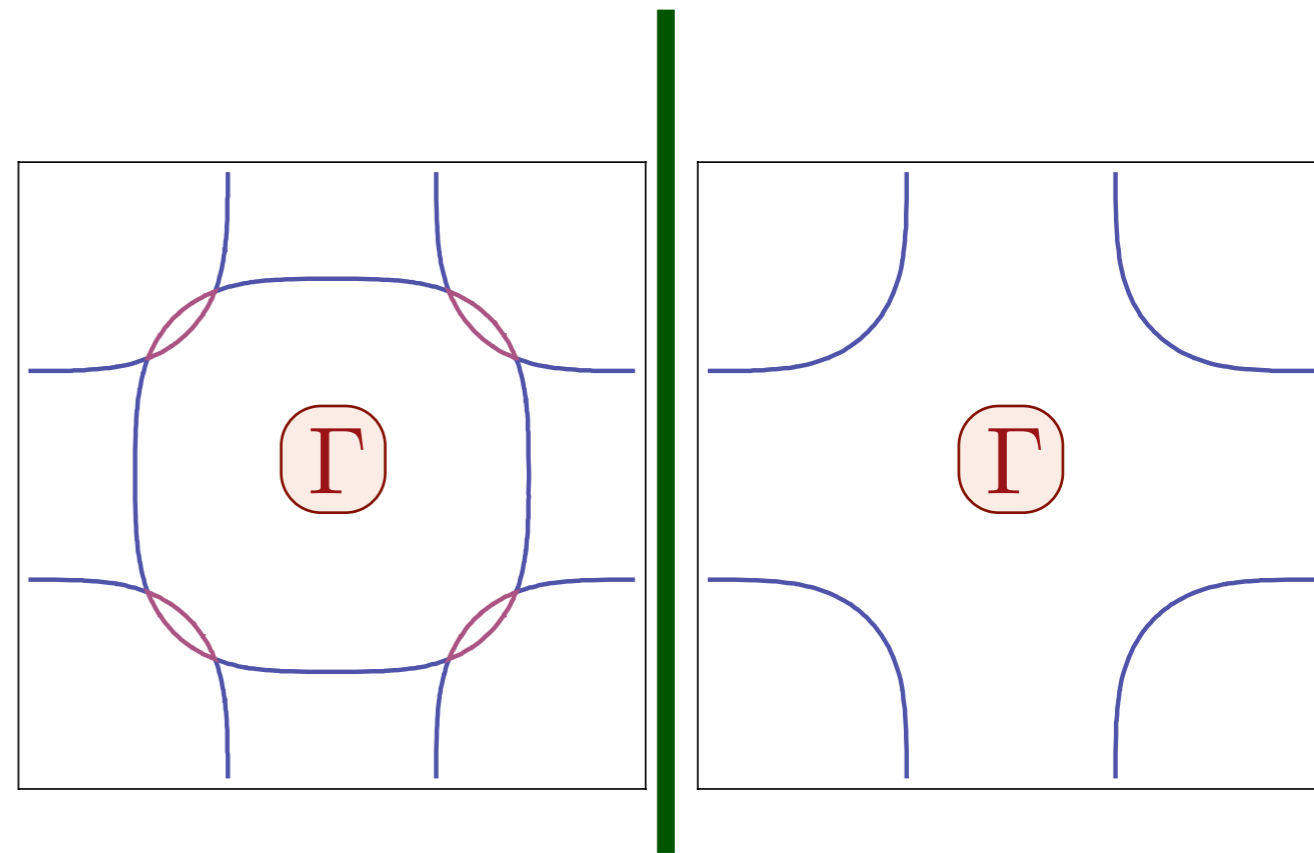
This leads to the Fermi surfaces shown in the following slides for electron and hole doping.

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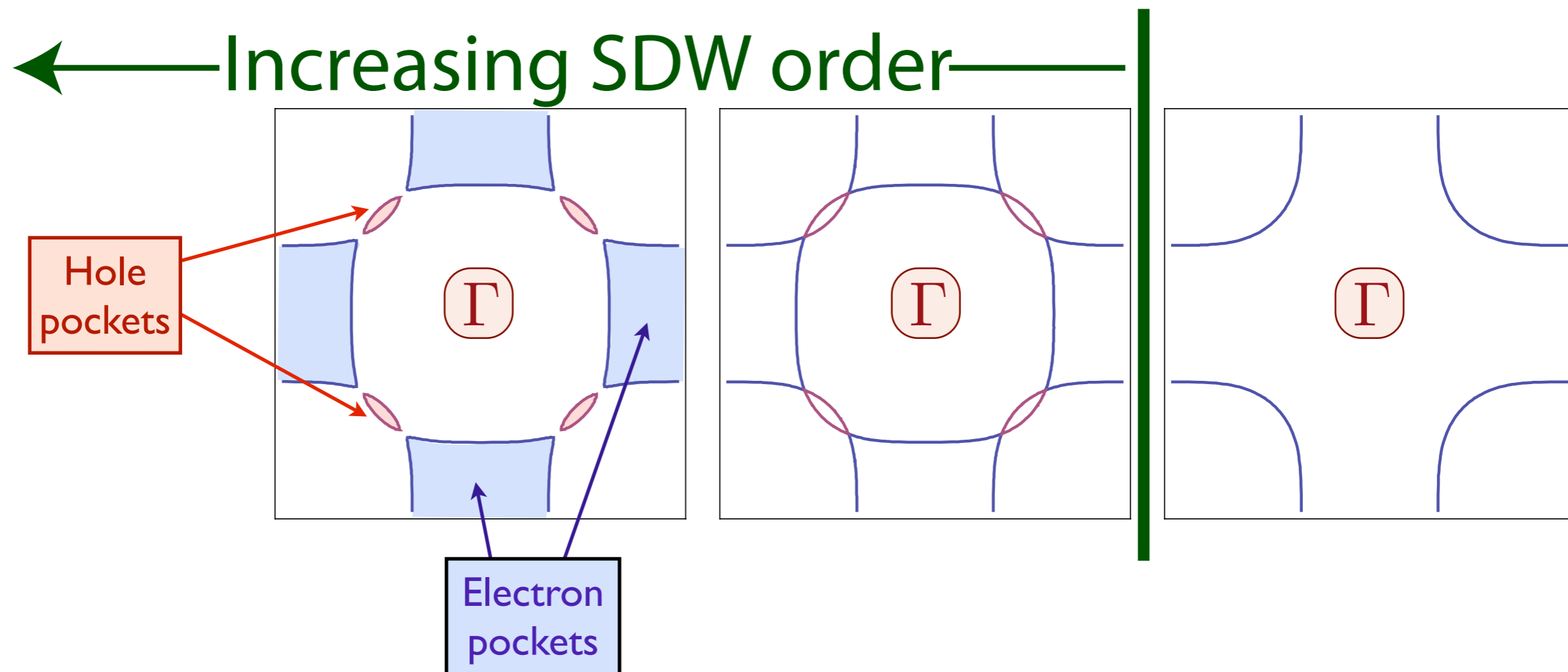
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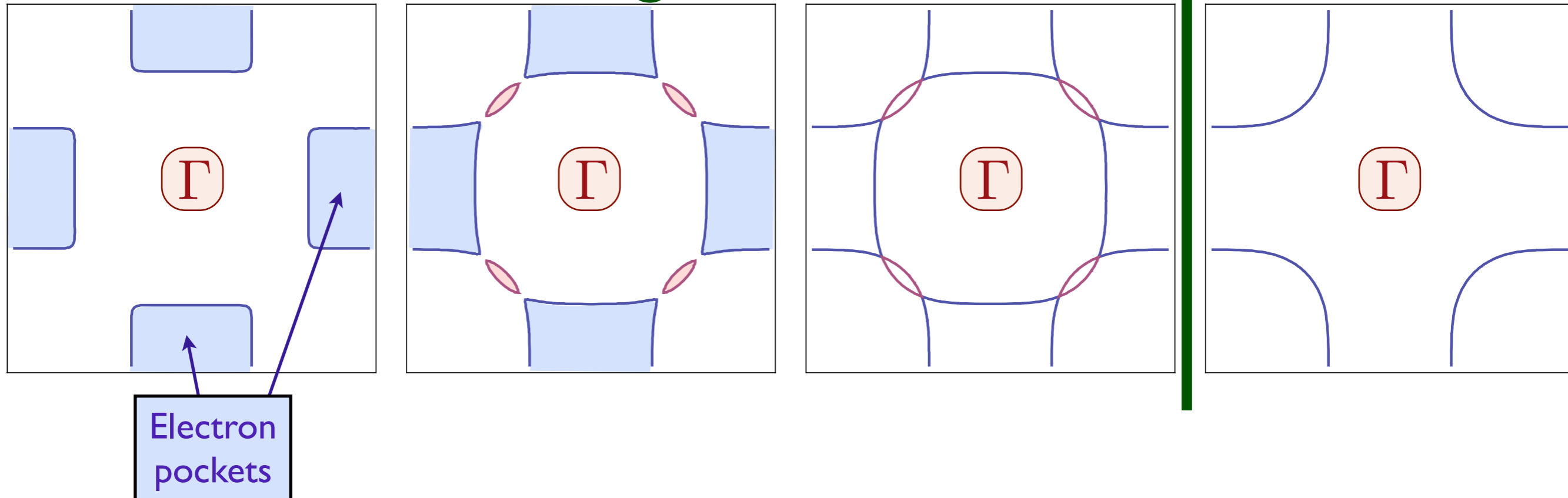


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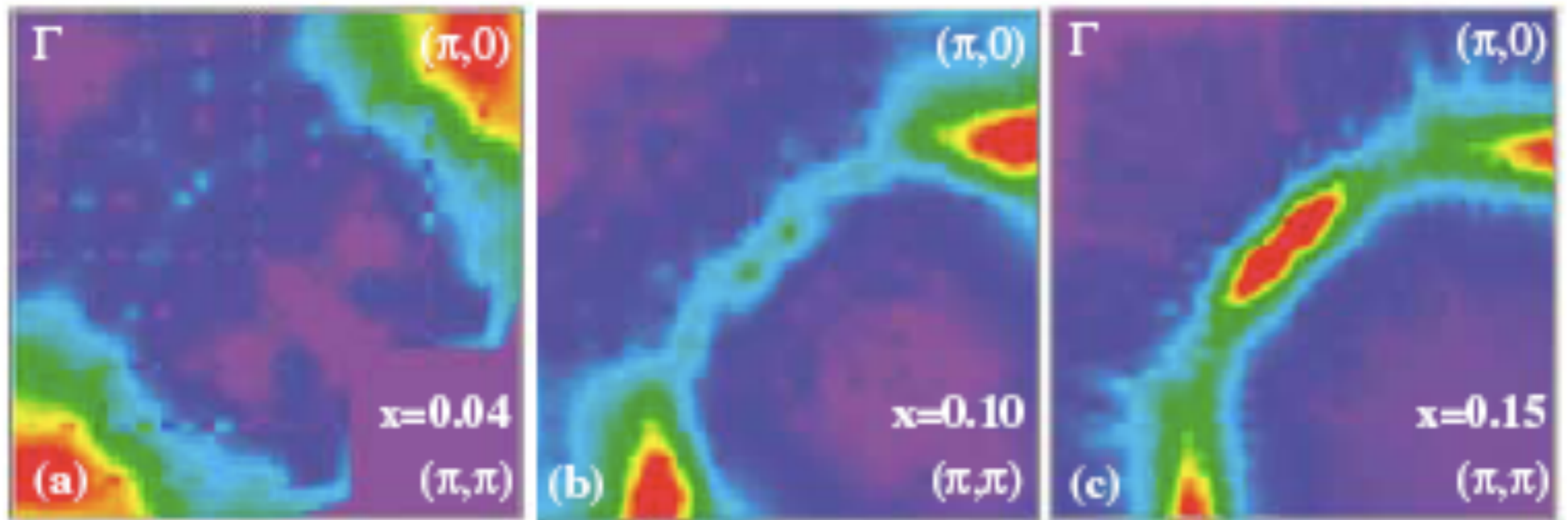


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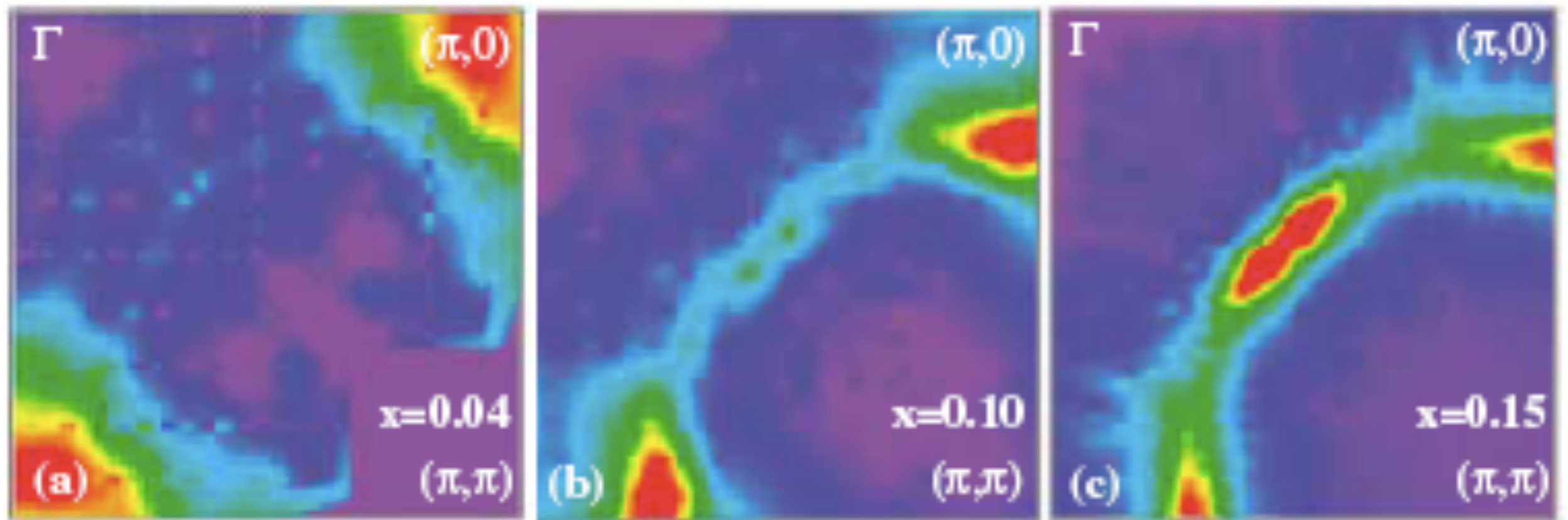
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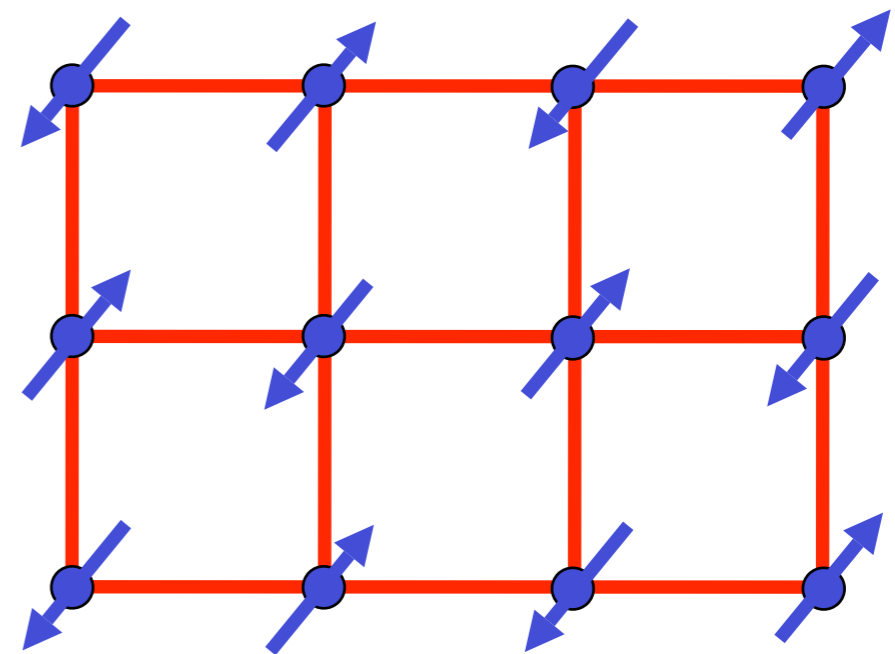
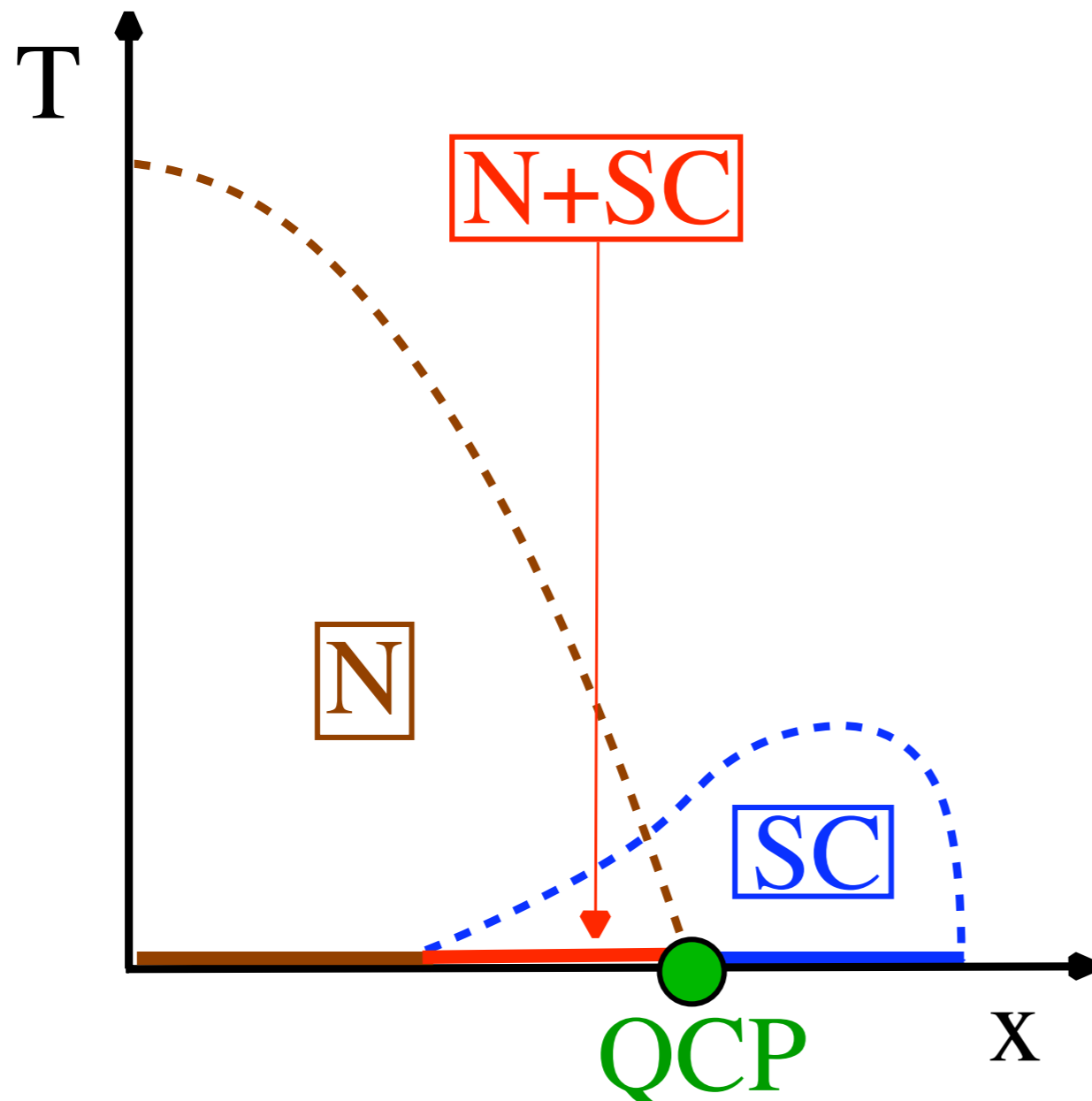
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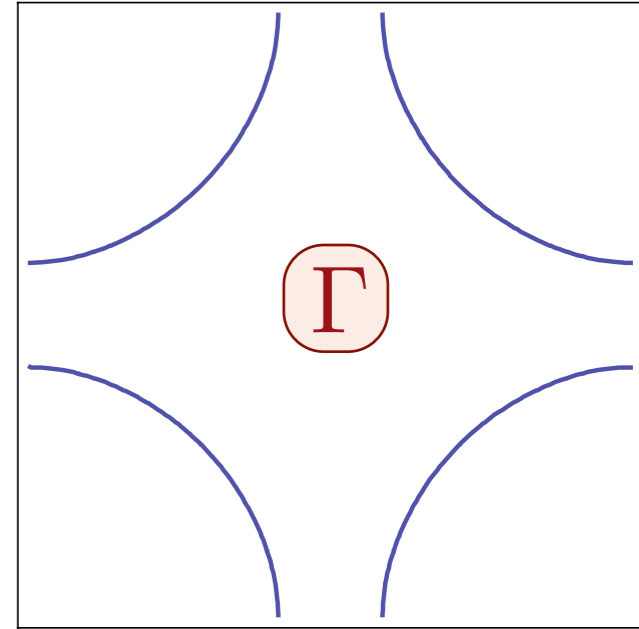
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# Phase diagram of electron-doped superconductors



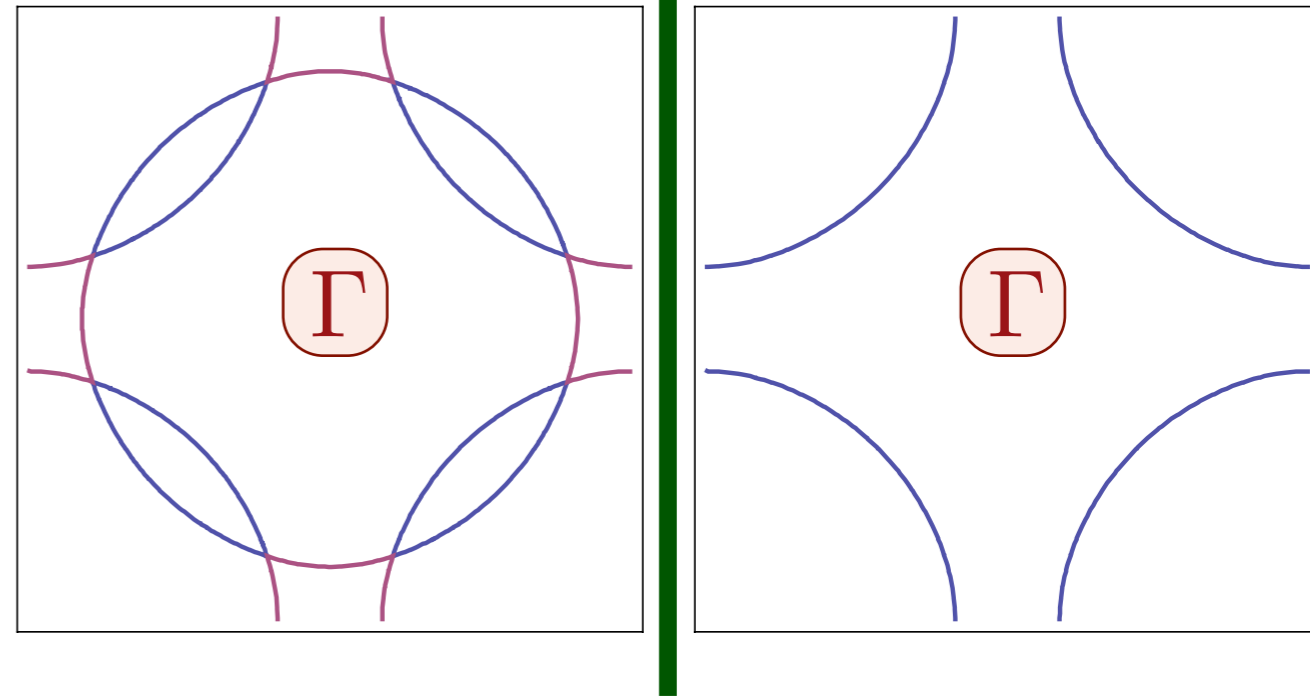
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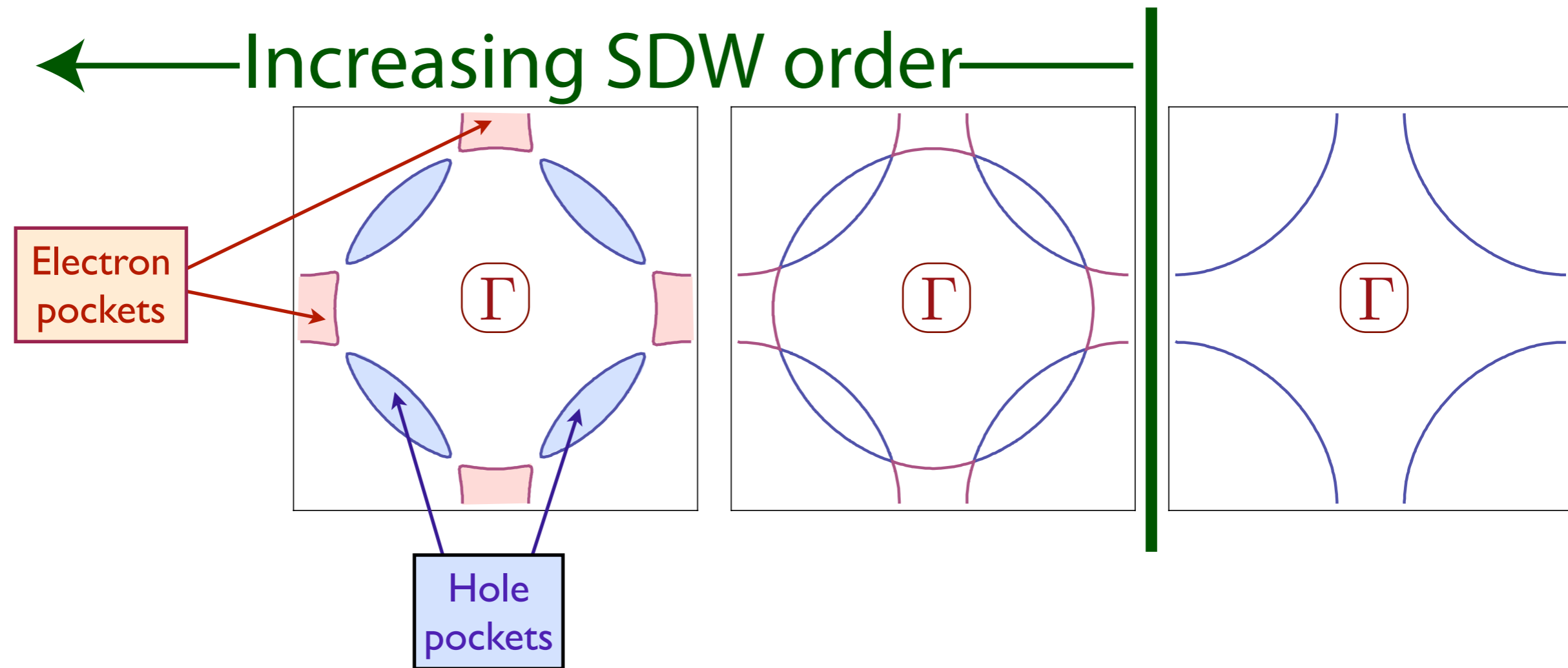
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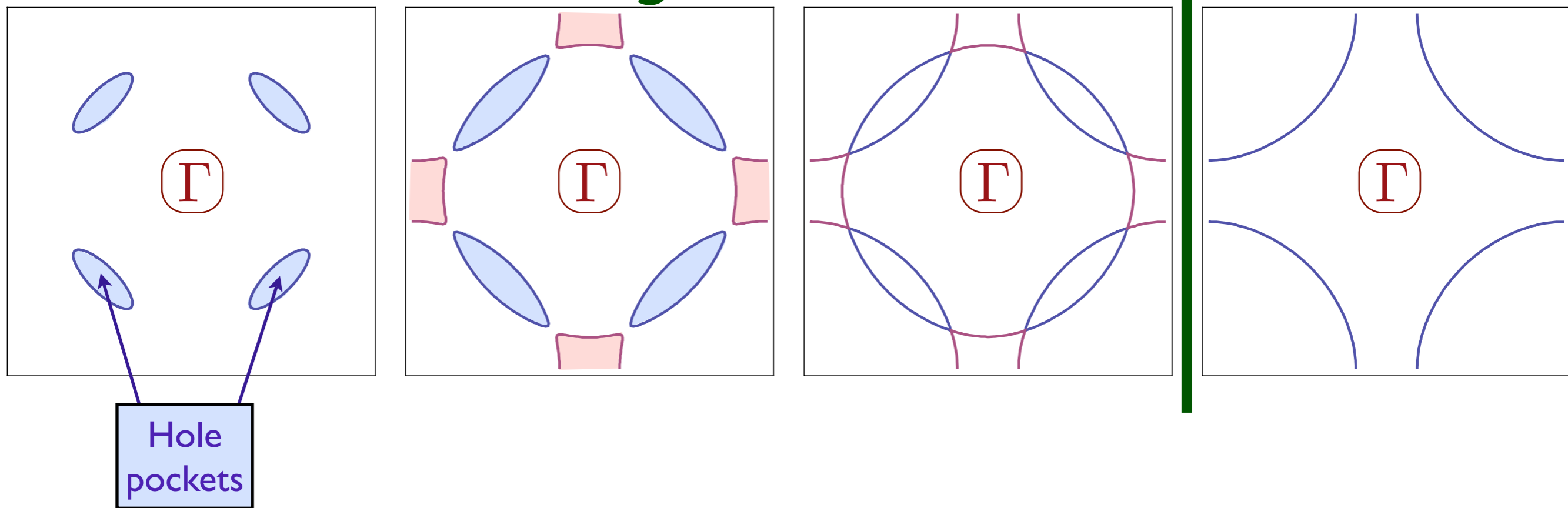
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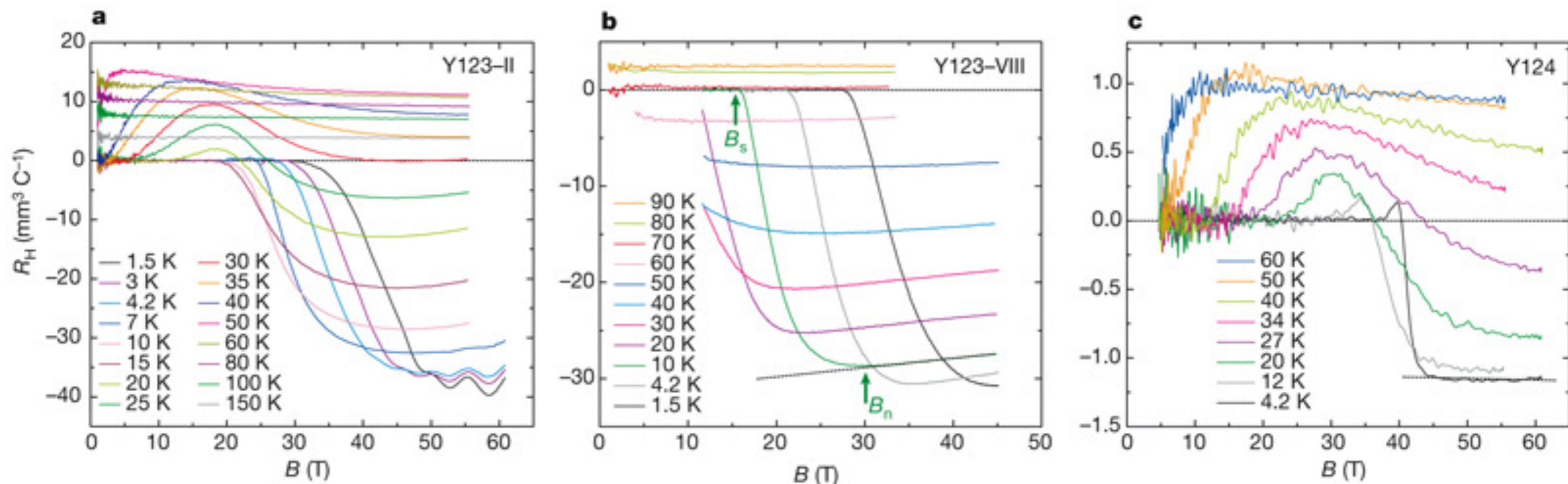


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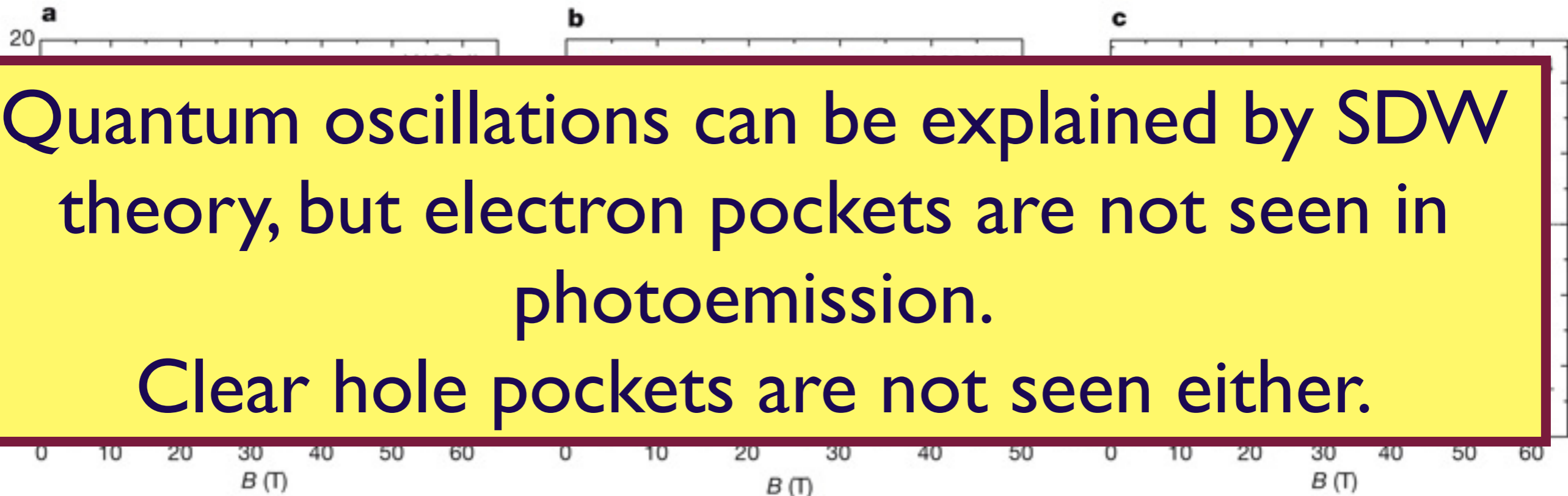


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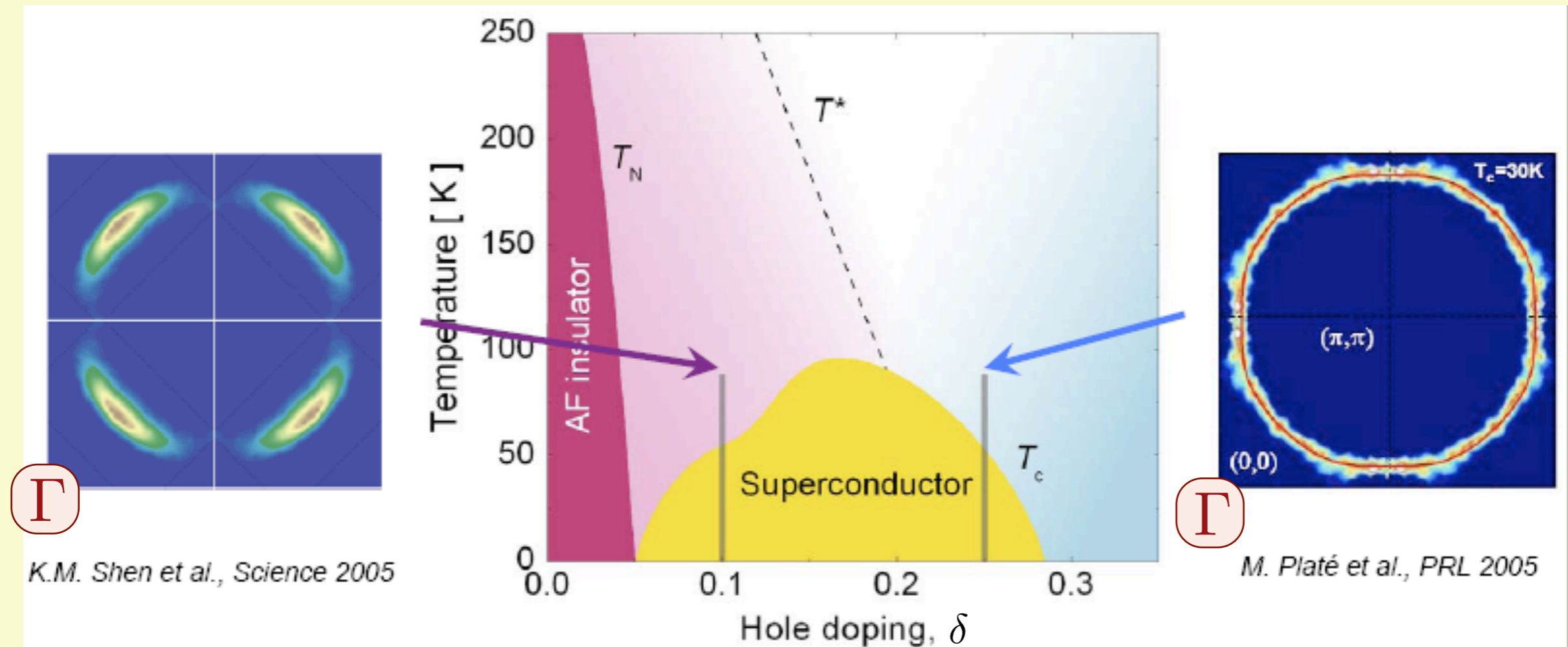
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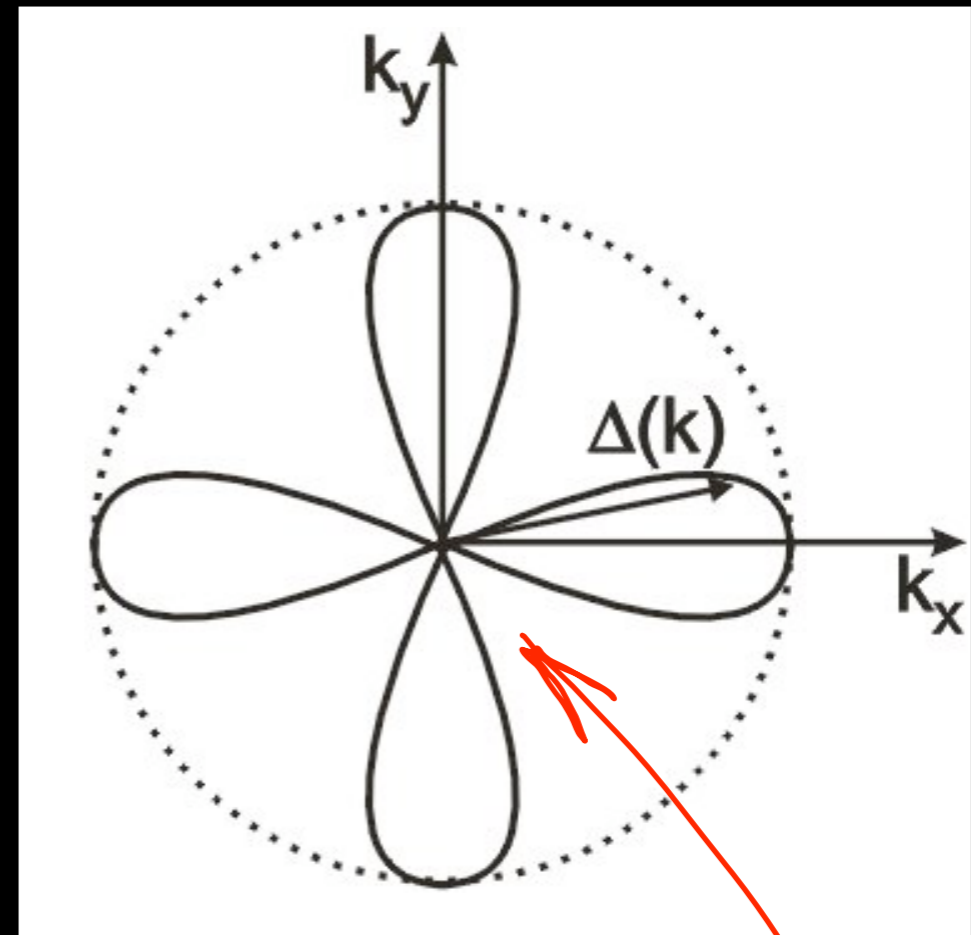
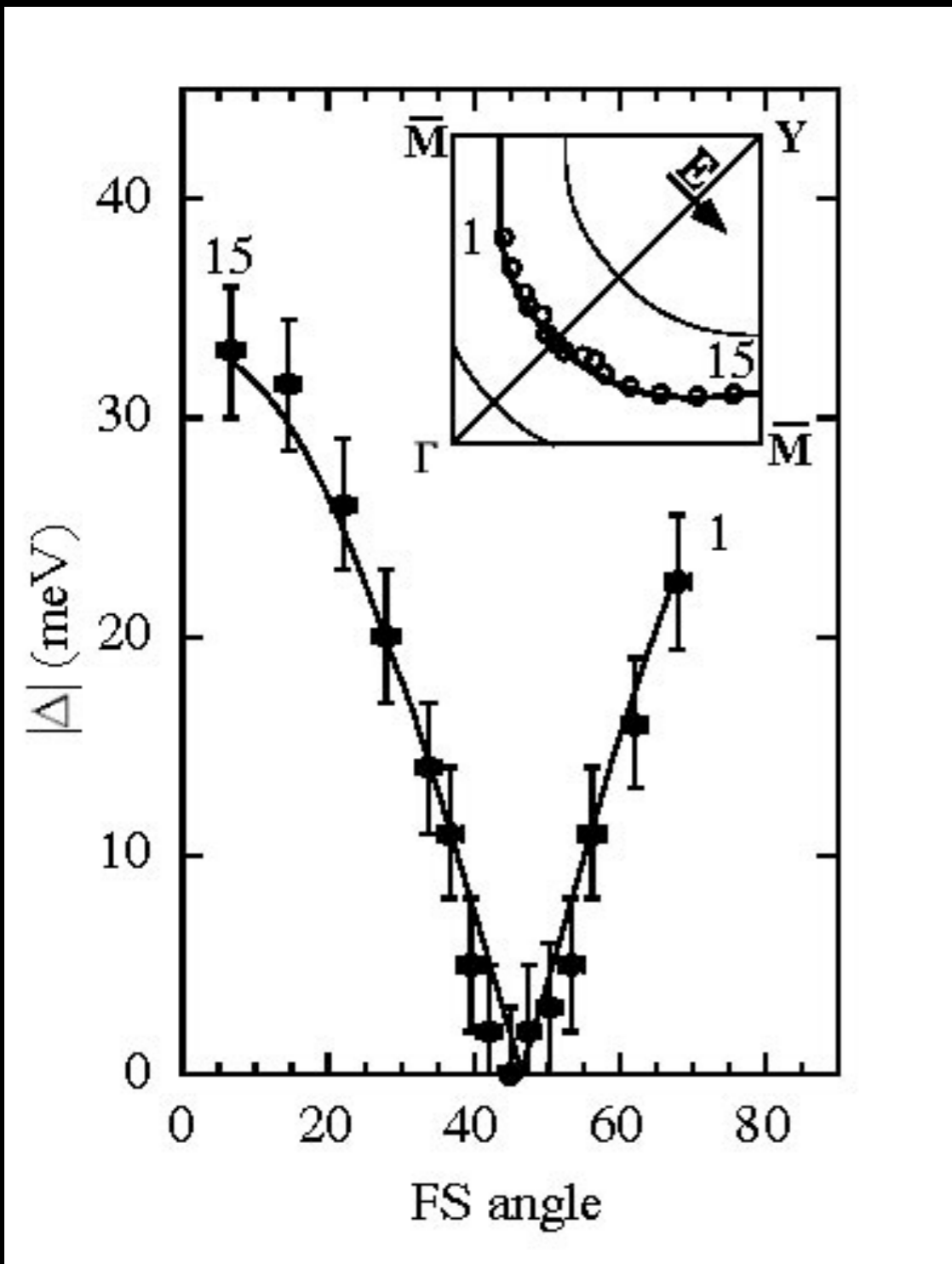
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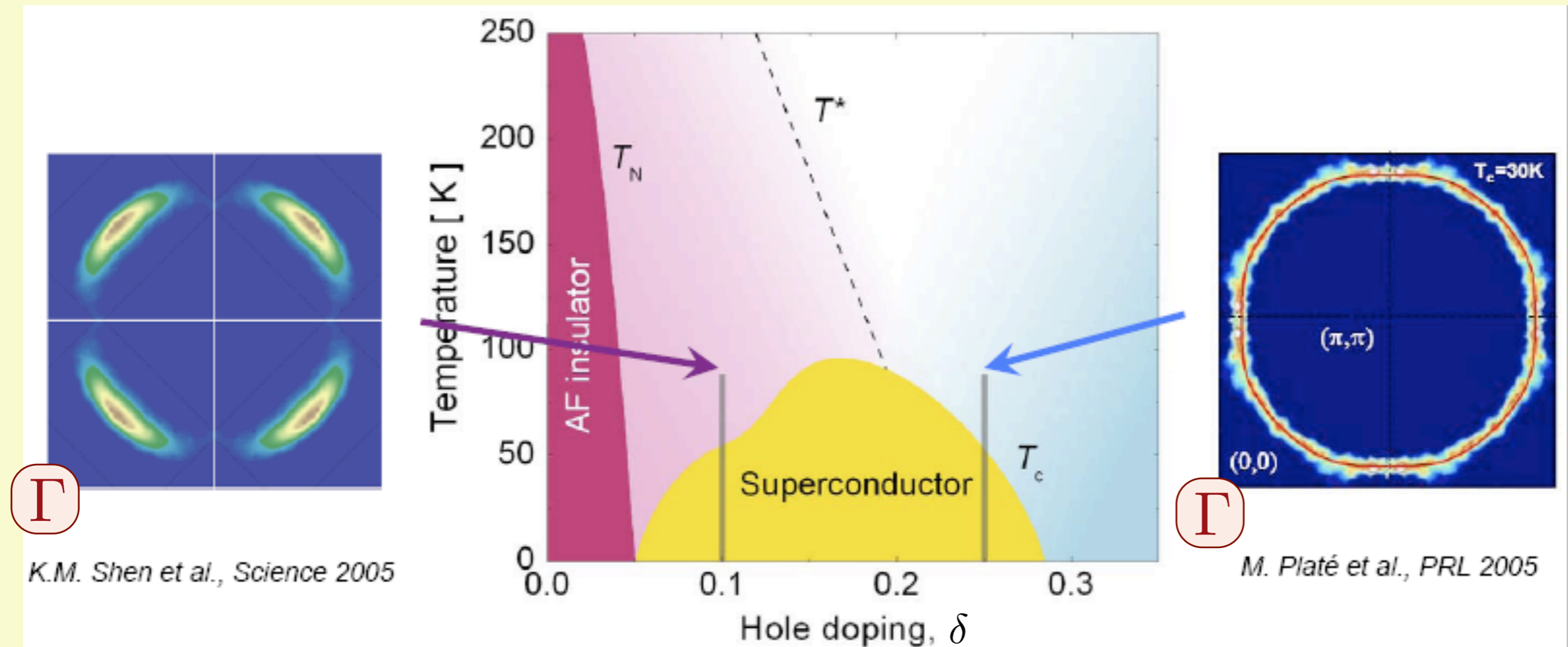
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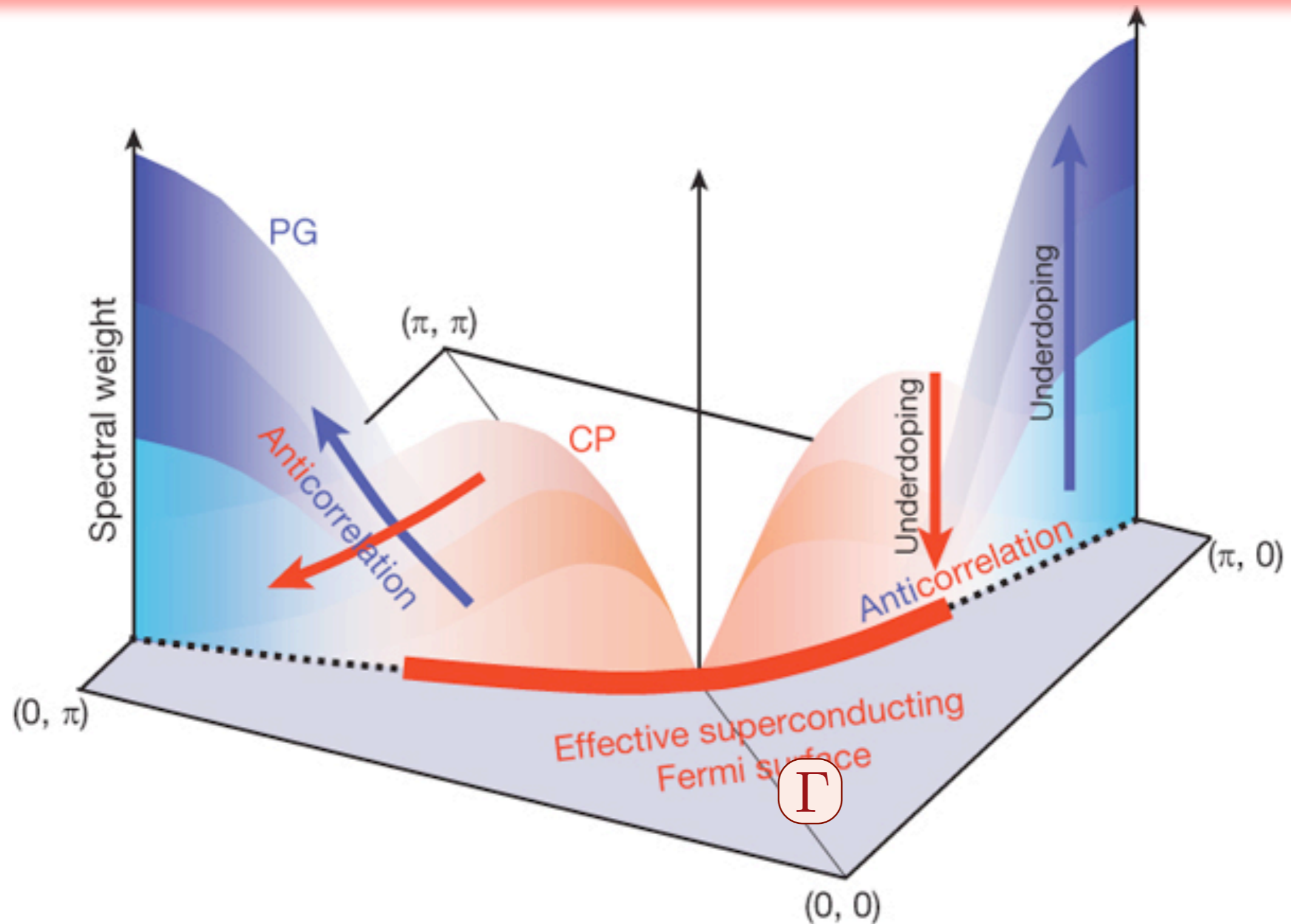
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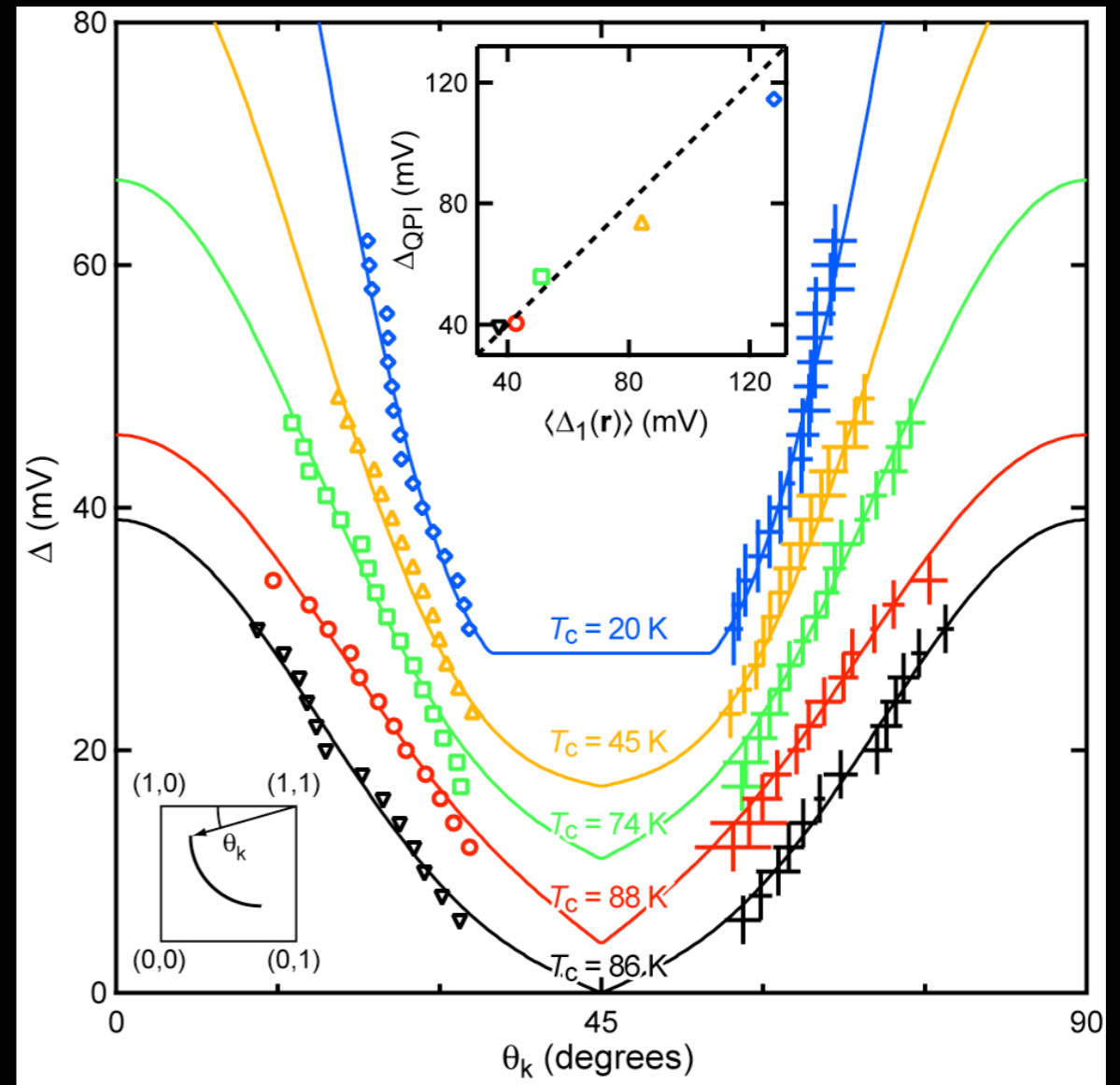
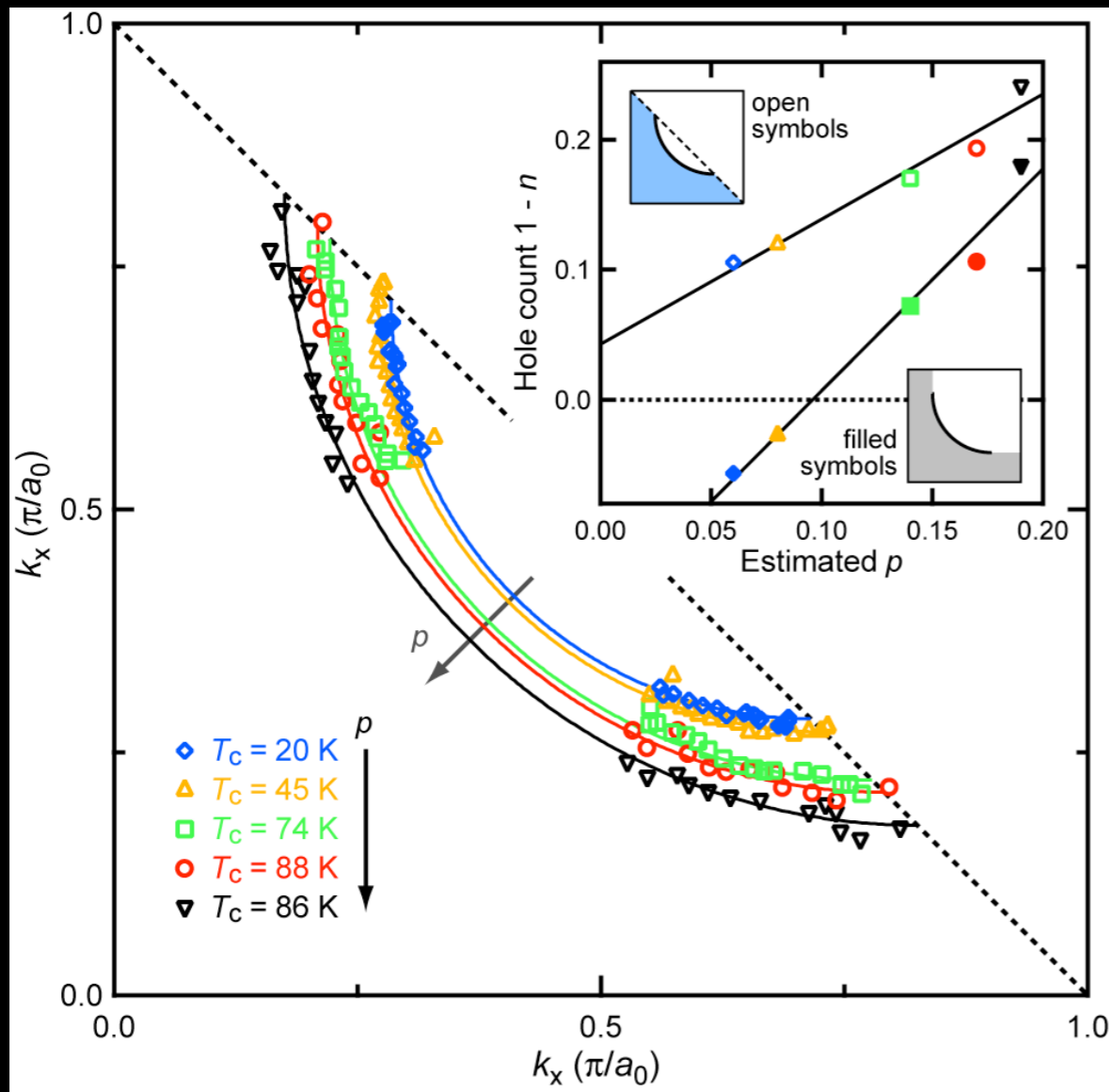
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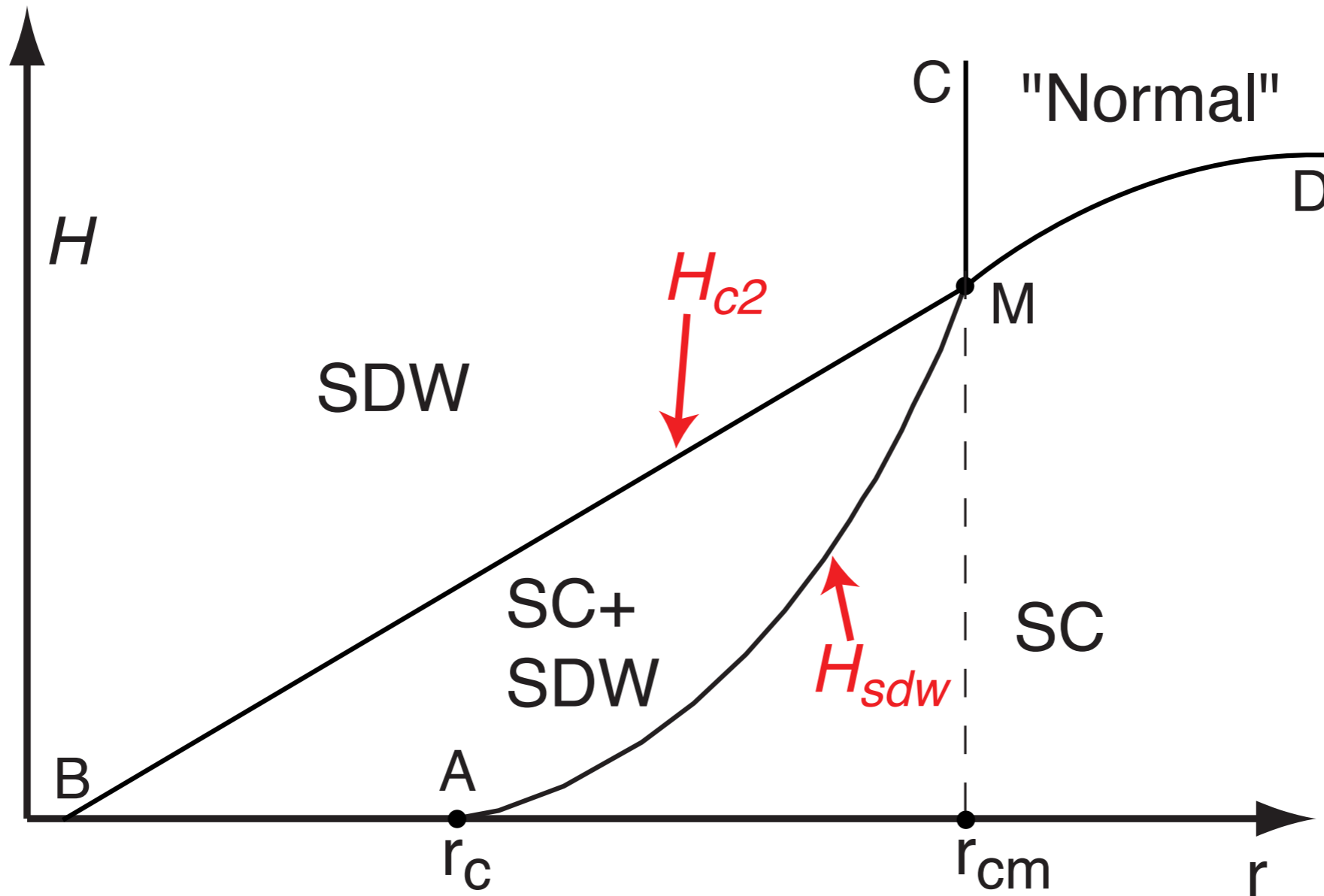
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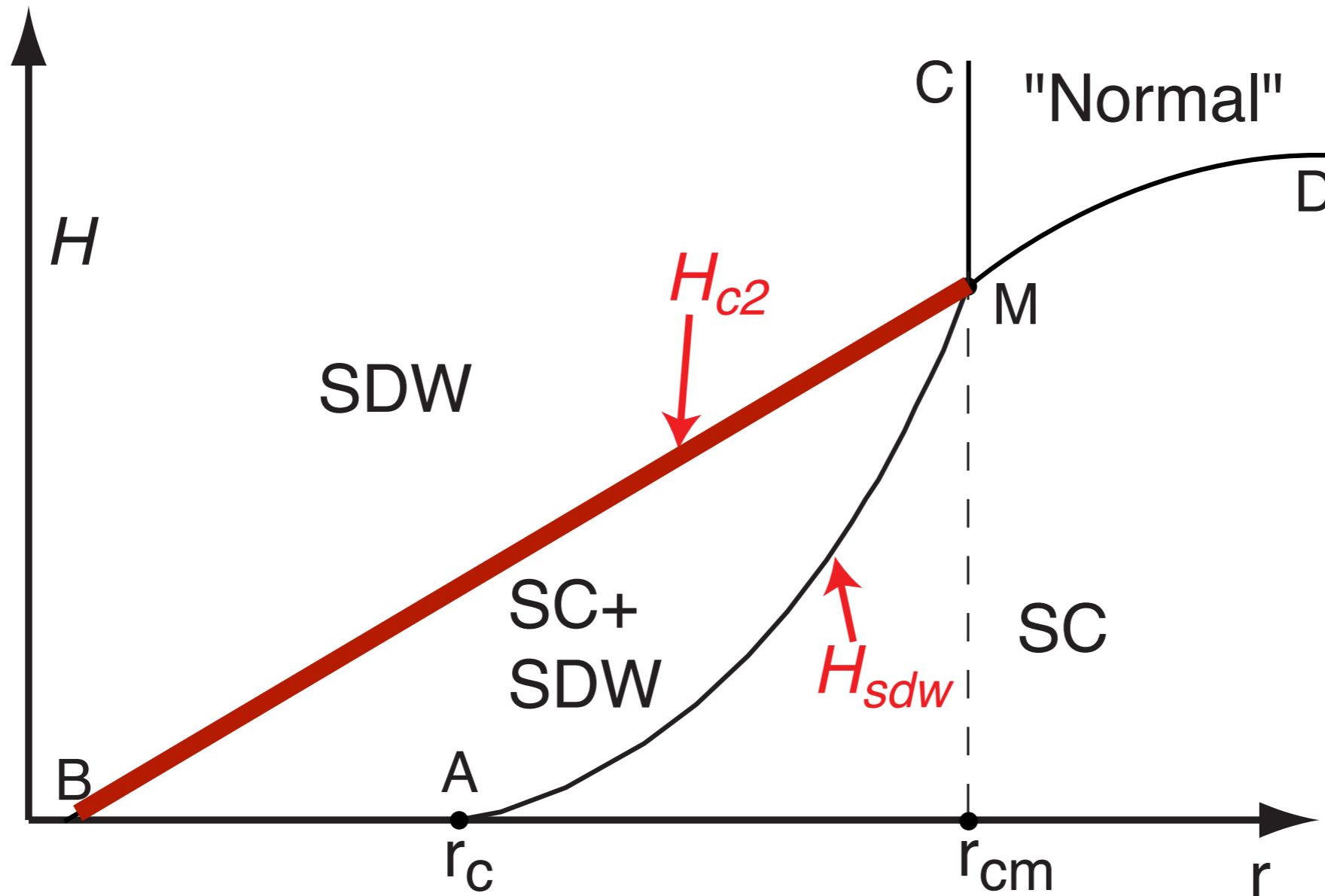
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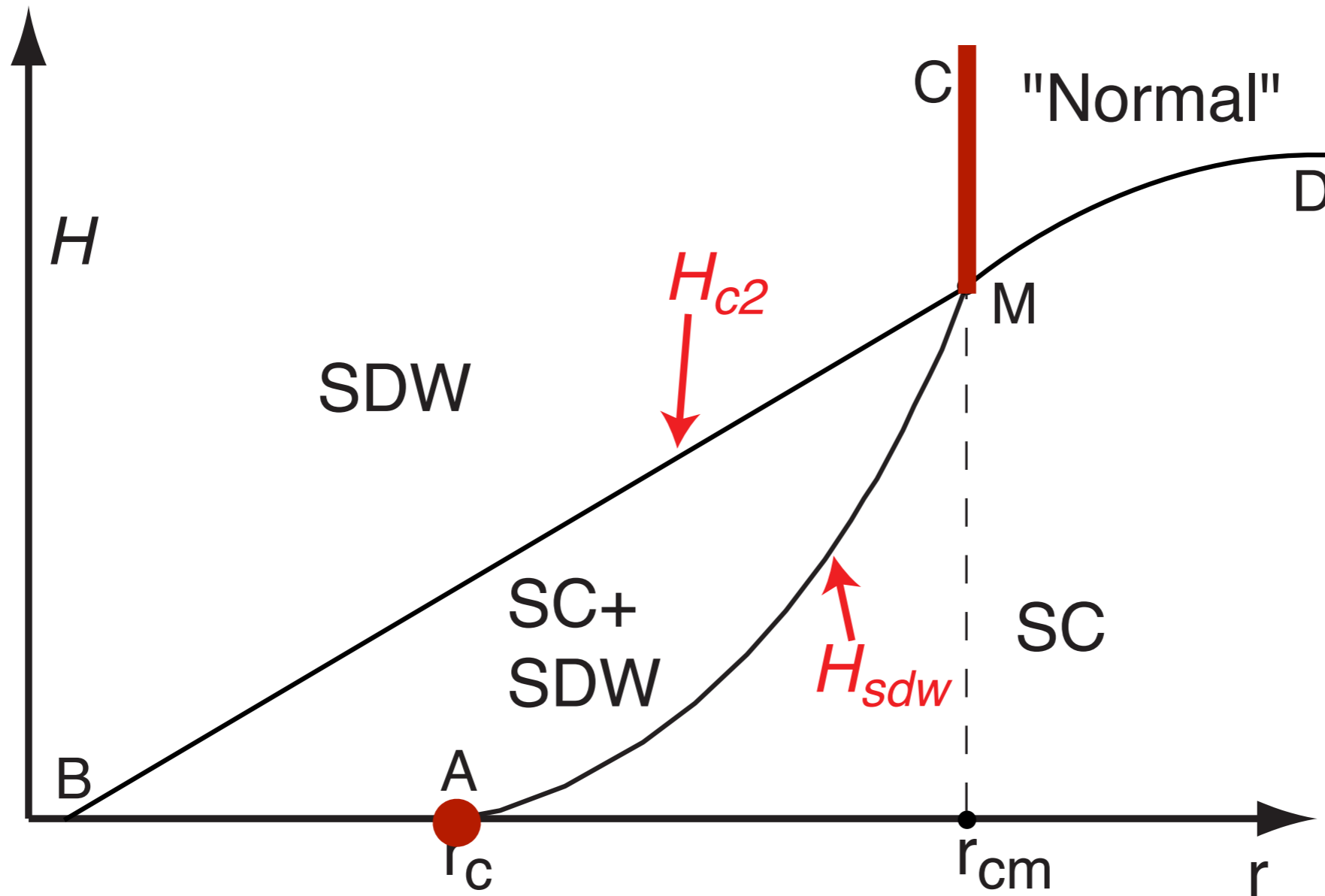
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- Upper-critical field,  $H_{c2}$ , decreases as SDW is enhanced with decreasing doping ( $r$ )

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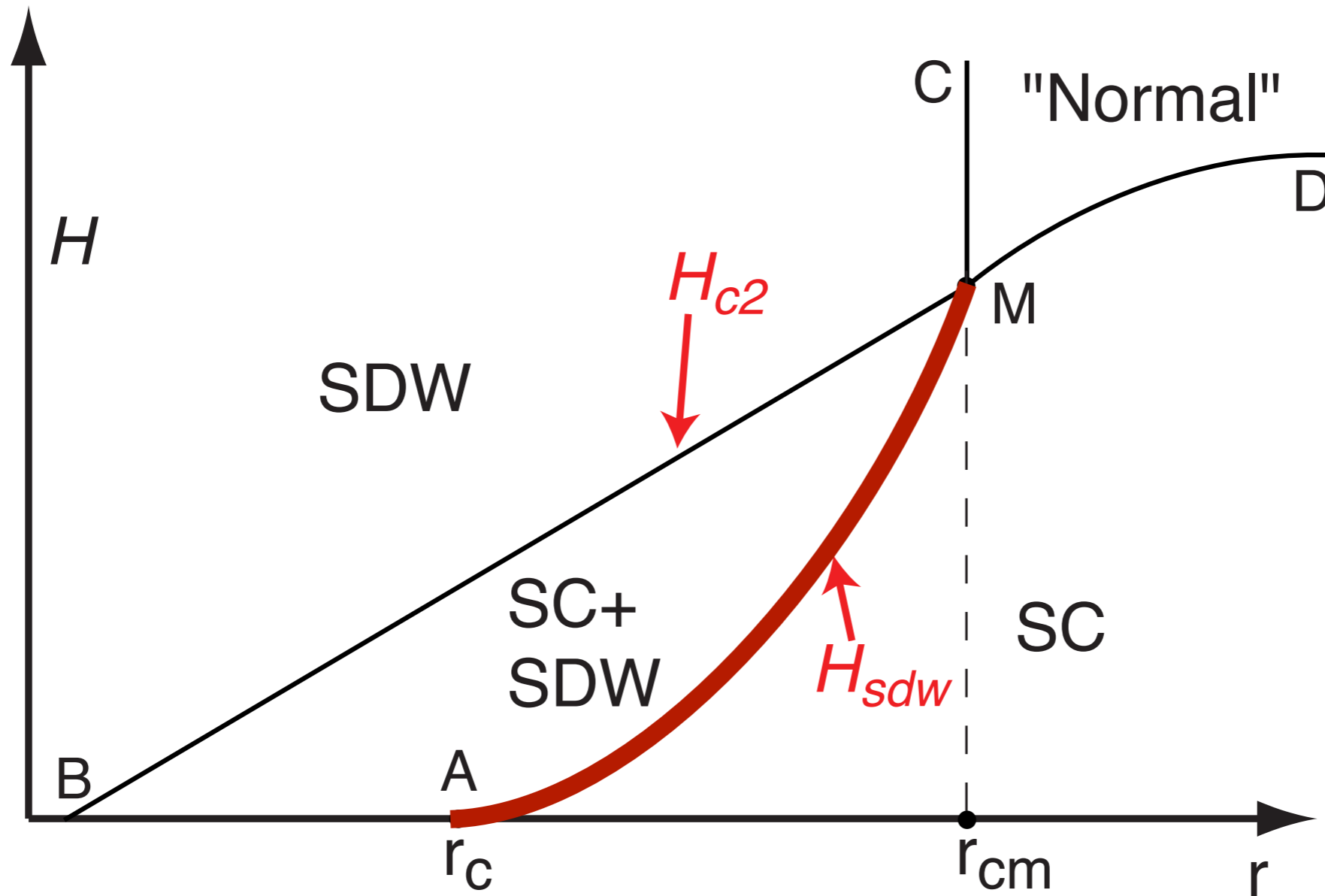
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- SDW order is more stable in the metal than in the superconductor:  $r_{cm} > r_c$ .

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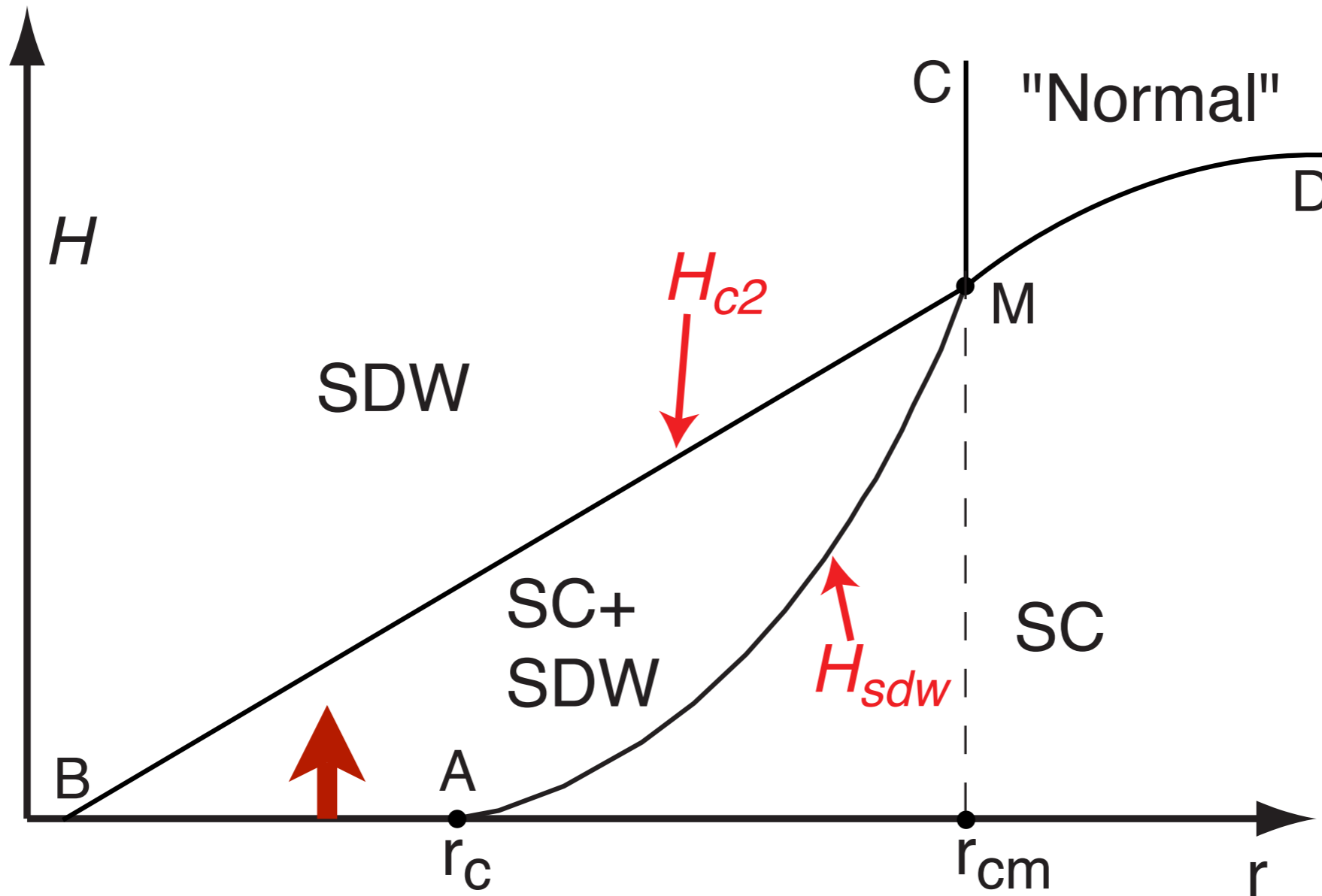


- For doping with  $r_c < r < r_{cm}$ , SDW order appears at a quantum phase transition at  $H = H_{sdw} > 0$ .



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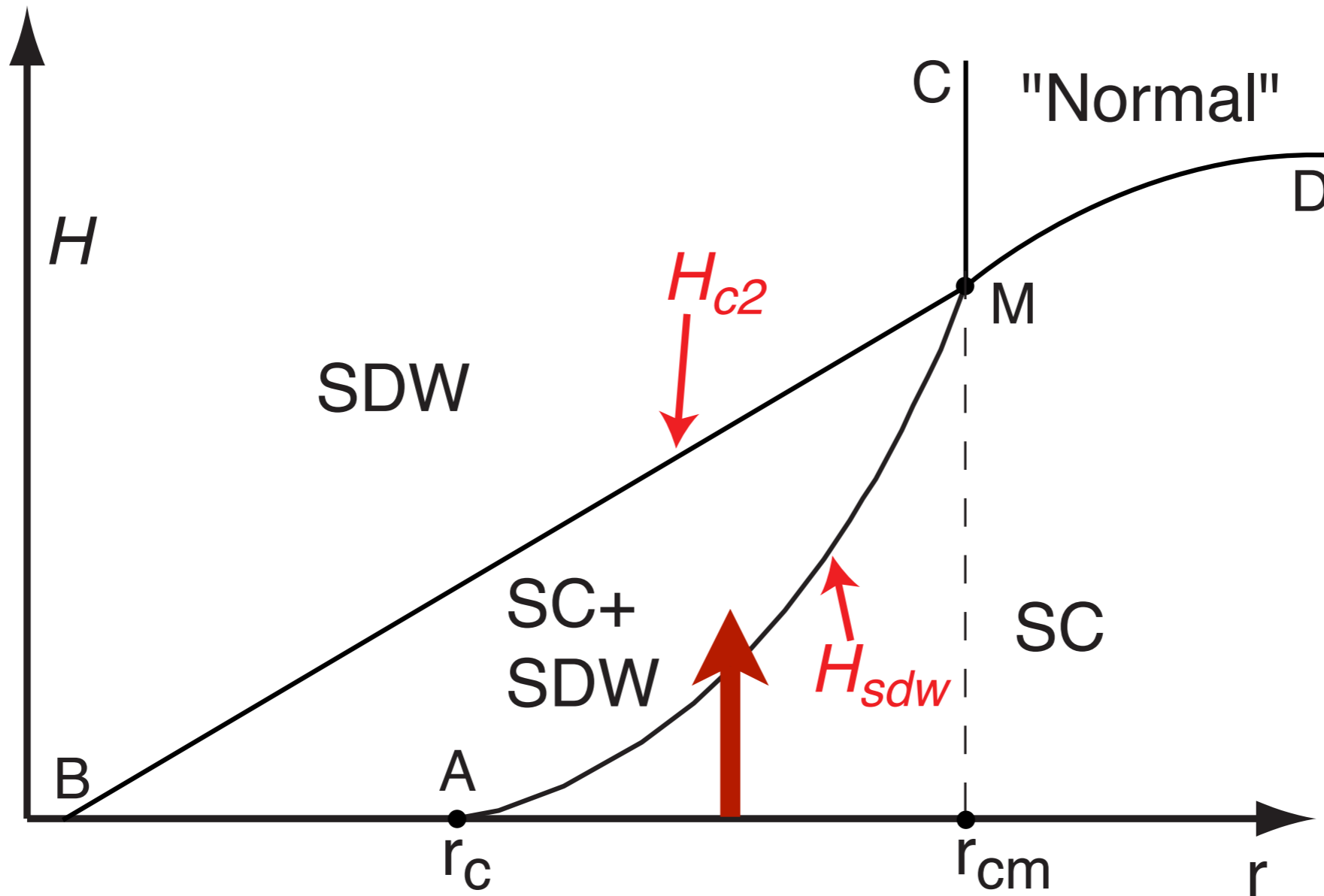


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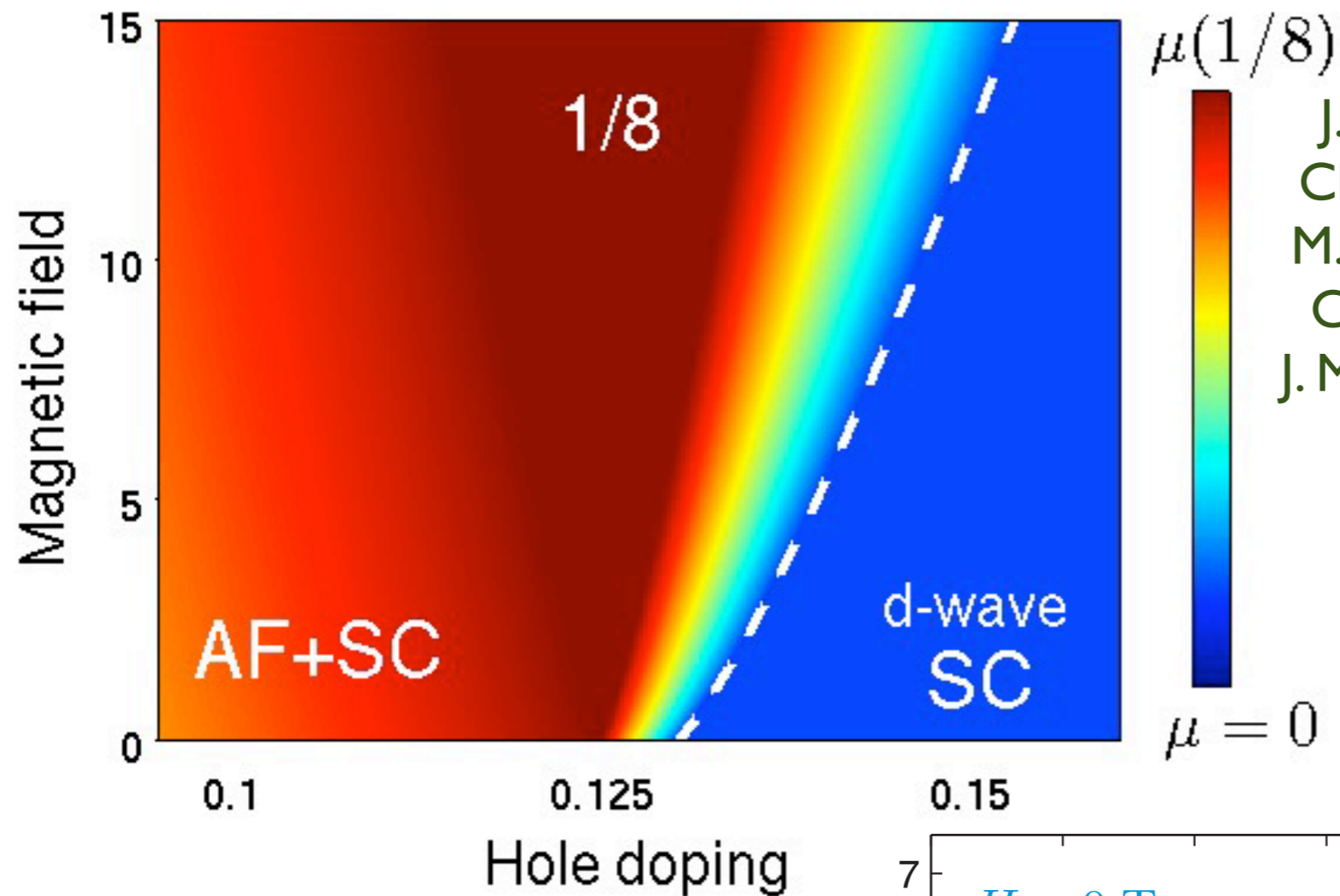
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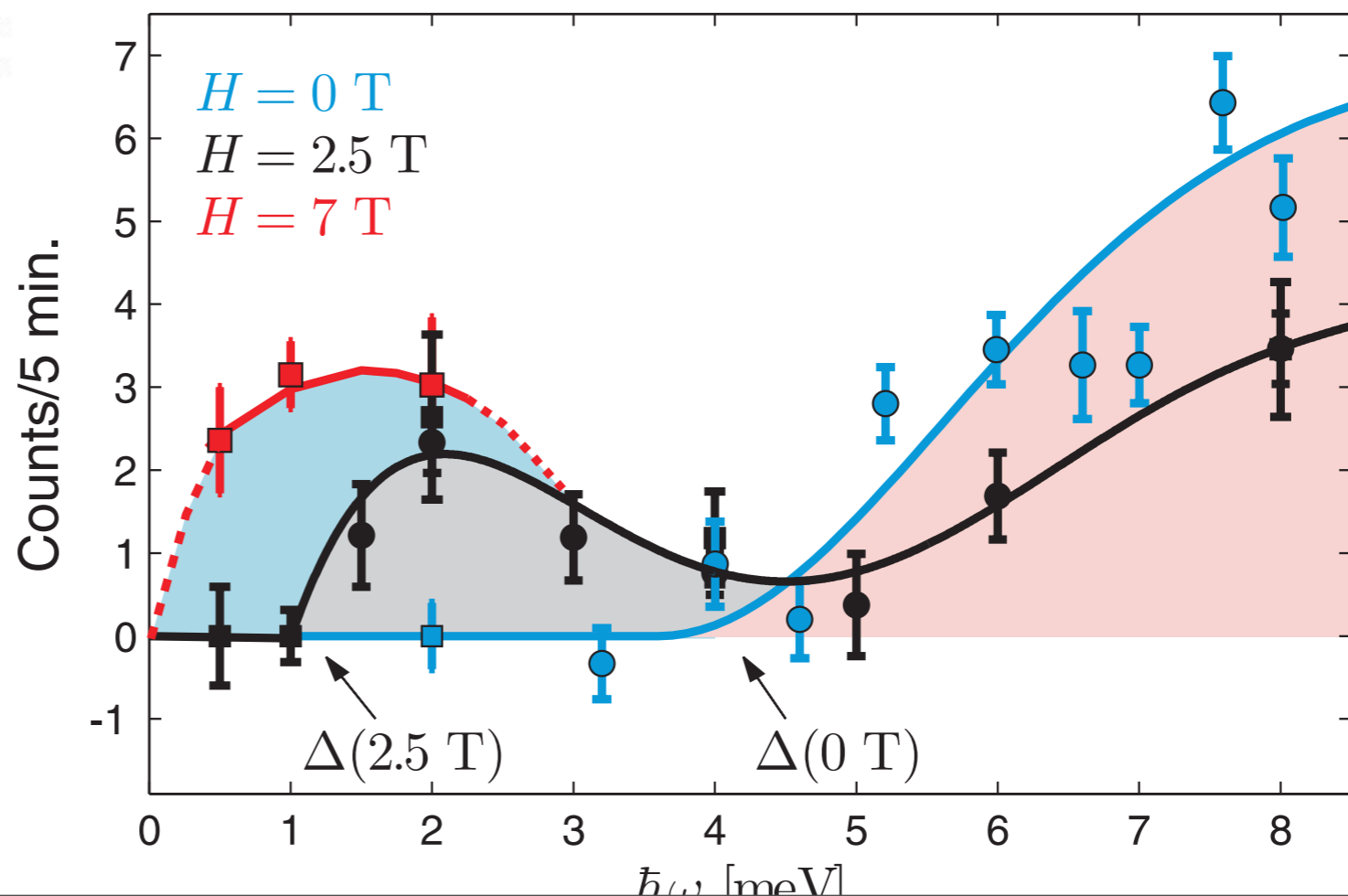


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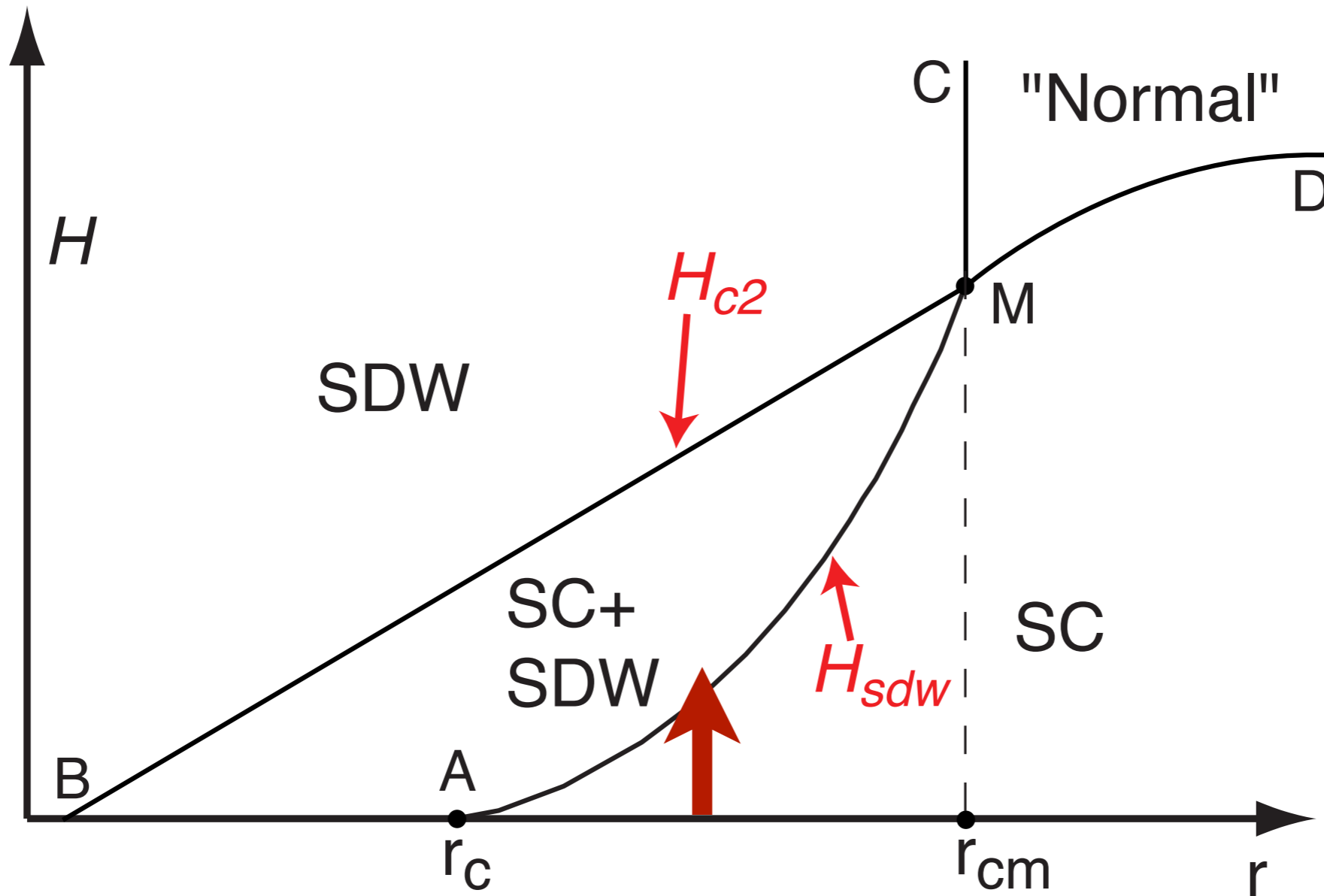
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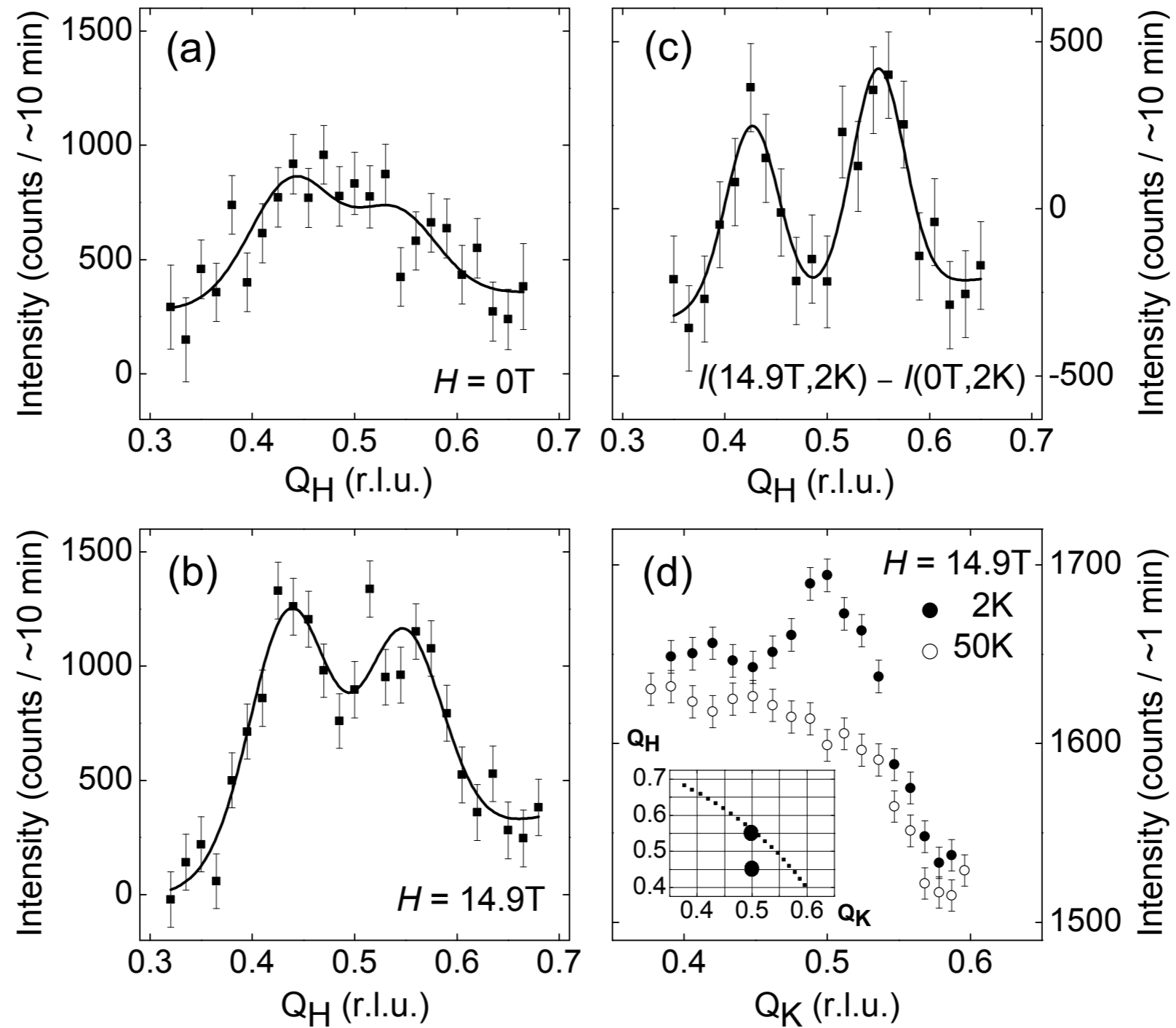


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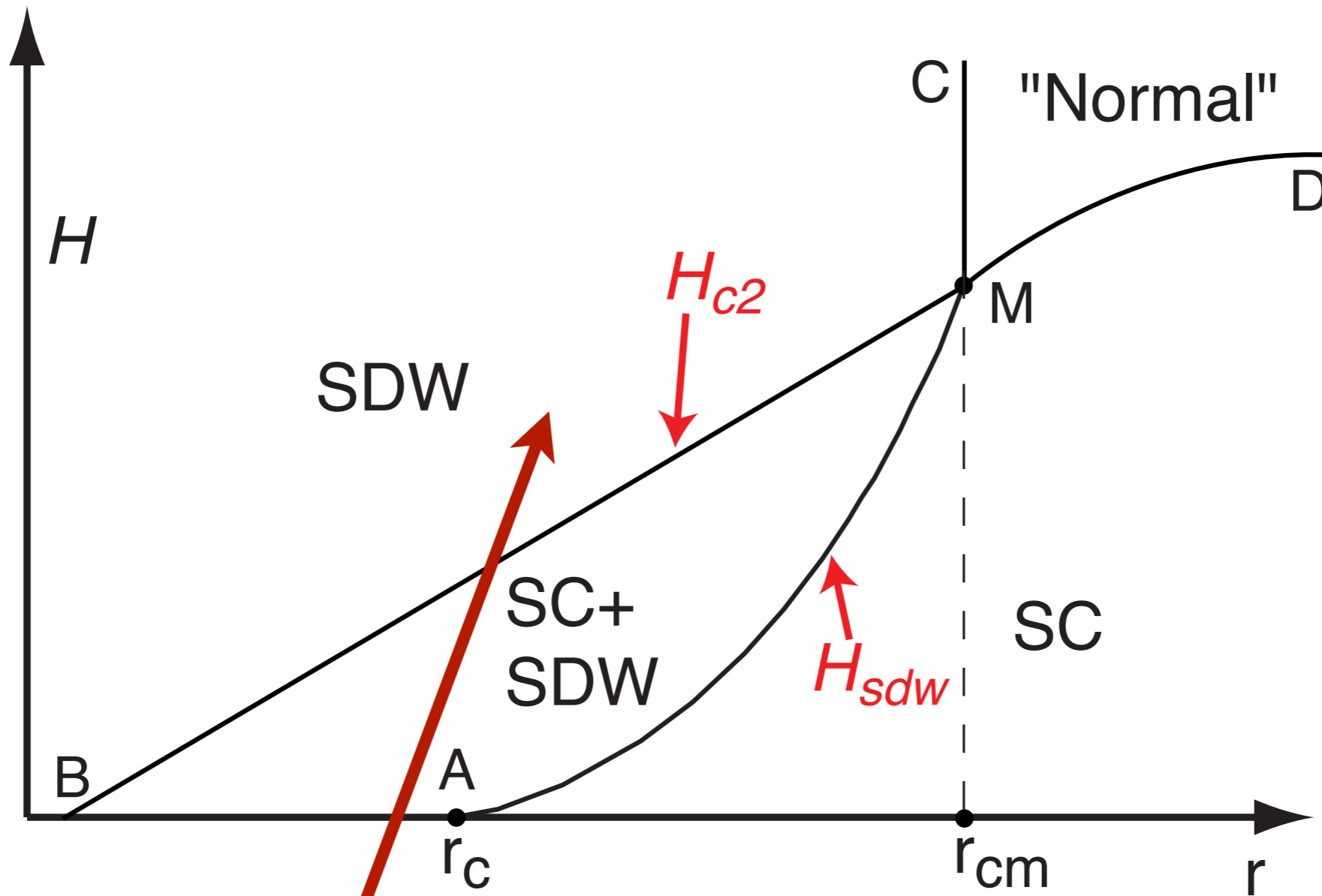
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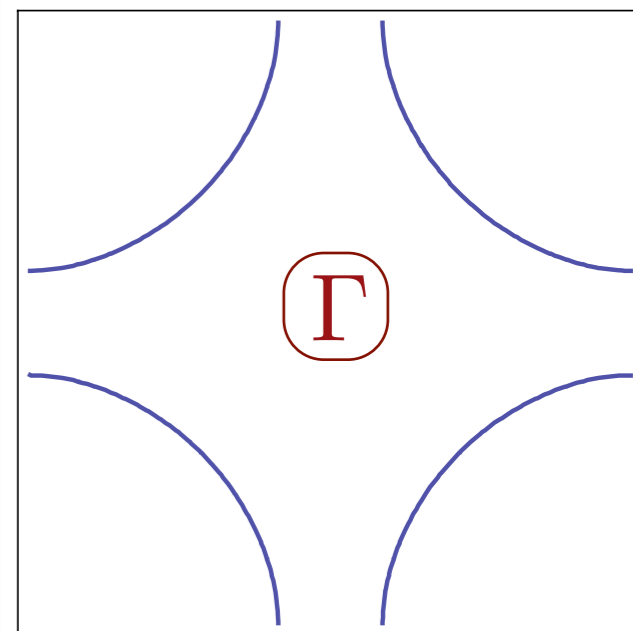
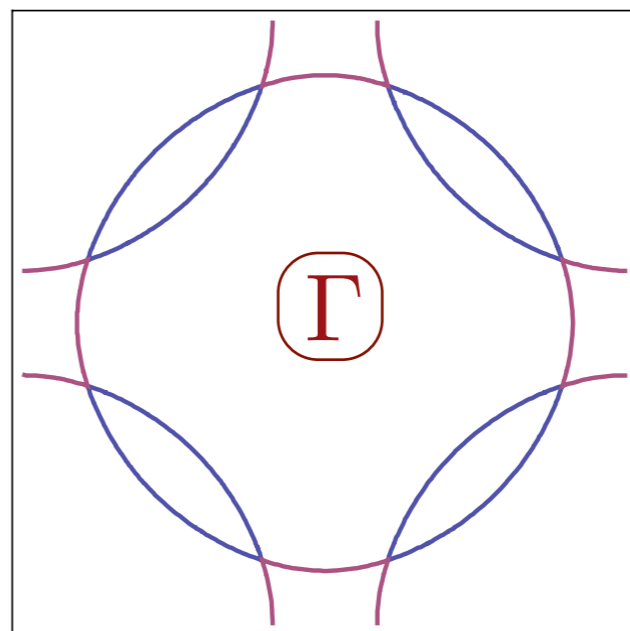
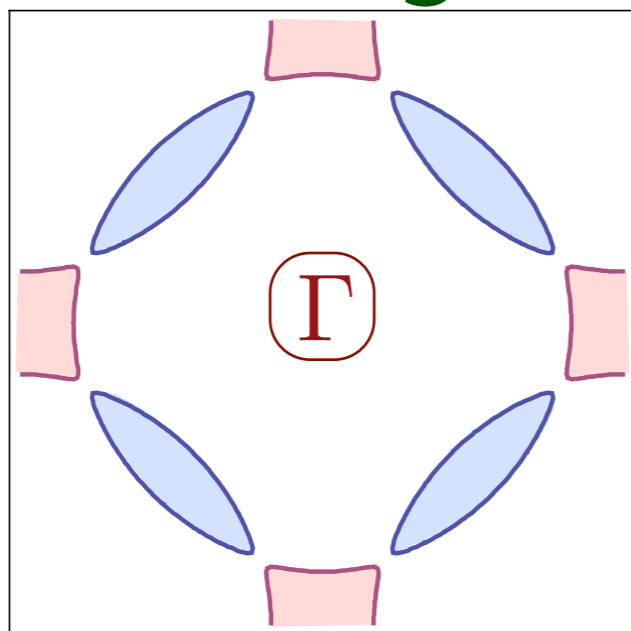
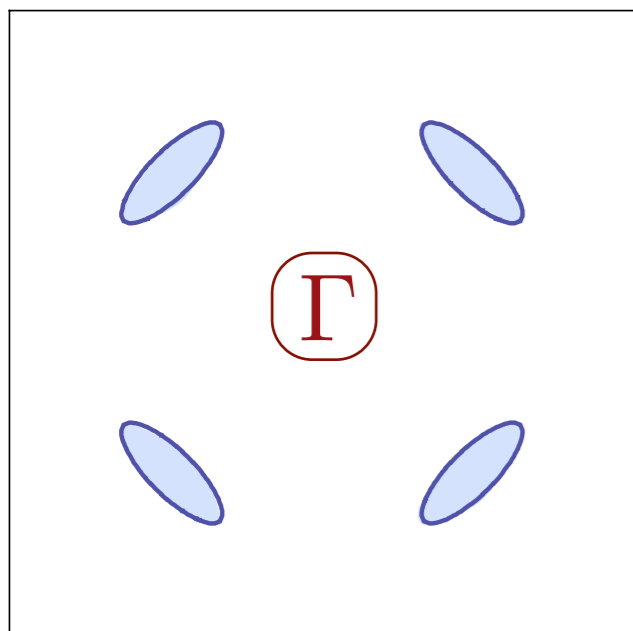
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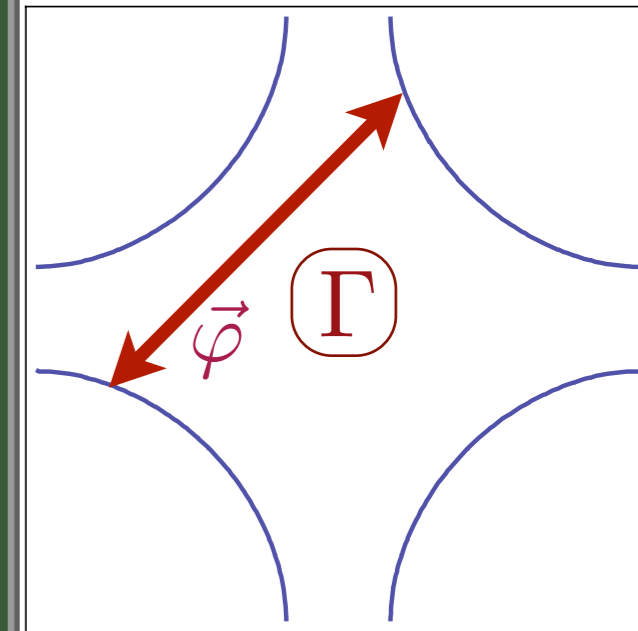
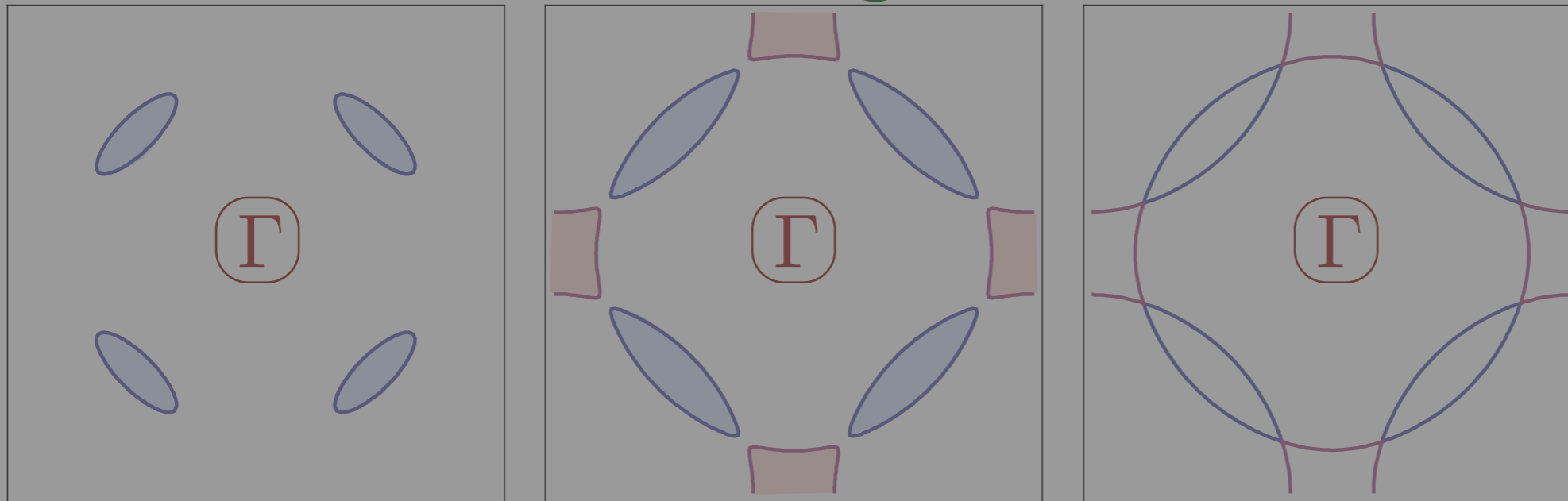
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# Spin-fluctuation exchange theory of d-wave superconductivity in the cuprates

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Fermions at the *large* Fermi surface exchange fluctuations of the SDW order parameter  $\vec{\varphi}$ .

# Pairing by SDW fluctuation exchange

We now allow the SDW field  $\vec{\varphi}$  to be dynamical, coupling to electrons as

$$H_{\text{sdw}} = - \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}, \alpha, \beta} \vec{\varphi}_{\mathbf{q}} \cdot c_{\mathbf{k}, \alpha}^{\dagger} \vec{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} c_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{K}+\mathbf{q}, \beta}.$$

Exchange of a  $\vec{\varphi}$  quantum leads to the effective interaction

$$H_{ee} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{q}} \sum_{\mathbf{p}, \gamma, \delta} \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \alpha, \beta} V_{\alpha\beta, \gamma\delta}(\mathbf{q}) c_{\mathbf{k}, \alpha}^{\dagger} c_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}, \beta} c_{\mathbf{p}, \gamma}^{\dagger} c_{\mathbf{p}-\mathbf{q}, \delta},$$

where the pairing interaction is

$$V_{\alpha\beta, \gamma\delta}(\mathbf{q}) = \vec{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_{\gamma\delta} \frac{\chi_0}{\xi^{-2} + (\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{K})^2},$$

with  $\chi_0 \xi^2$  the SDW susceptibility and  $\xi$  the SDW correlation length.

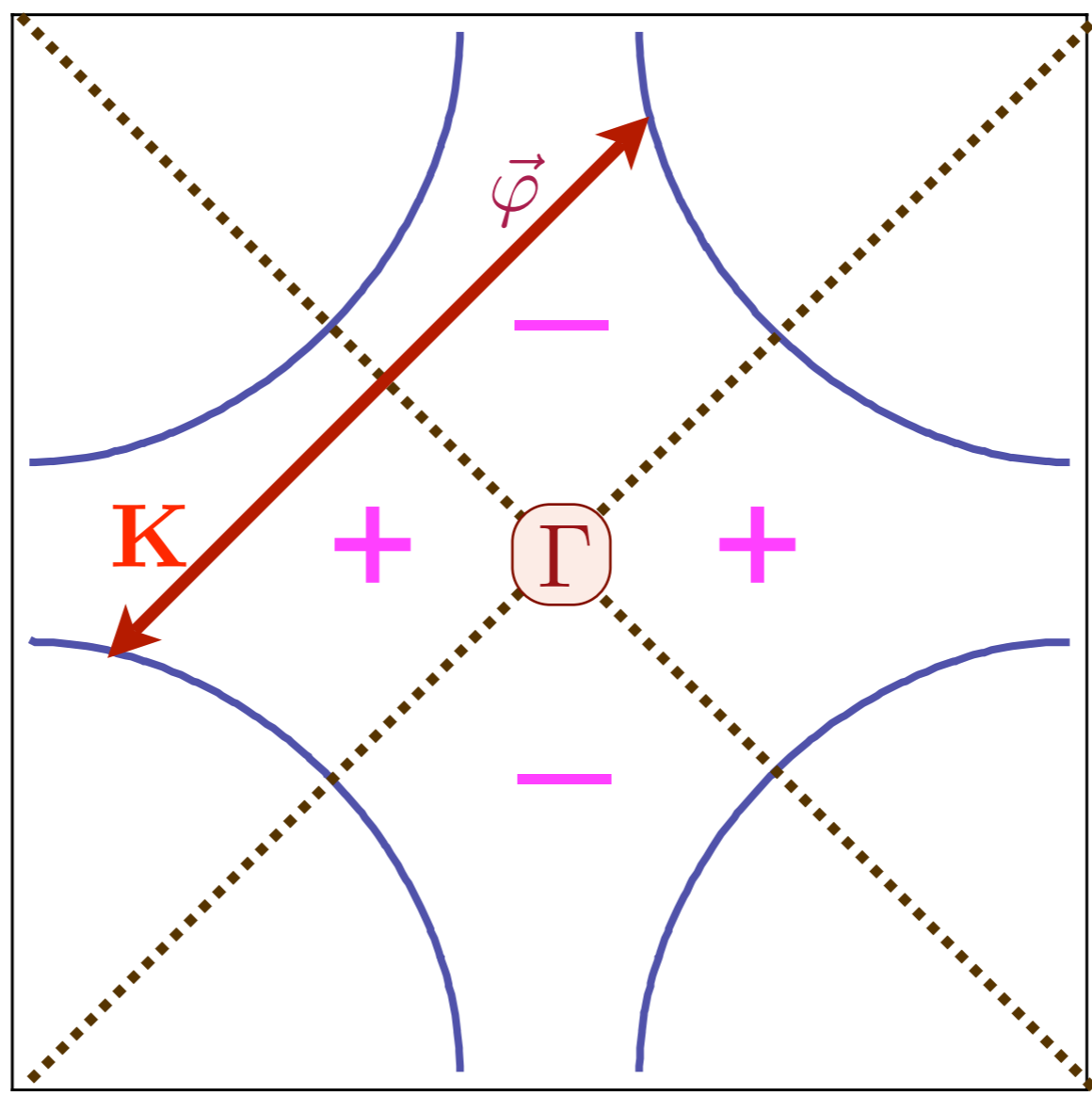
## BCS Gap equation

In BCS theory, this interaction leads to the ‘gap equation’ for the pairing gap  $\Delta_{\mathbf{k}} \propto \langle c_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow} c_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow} \rangle$ .

$$\Delta_{\mathbf{k}} = - \sum_{\mathbf{p}} \left( \frac{3\chi_0}{\xi^{-2} + (\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{k} - \mathbf{K})^2} \right) \frac{\Delta_{\mathbf{p}}}{2\sqrt{\varepsilon_{\mathbf{p}}^2 + \Delta_{\mathbf{p}}^2}}$$

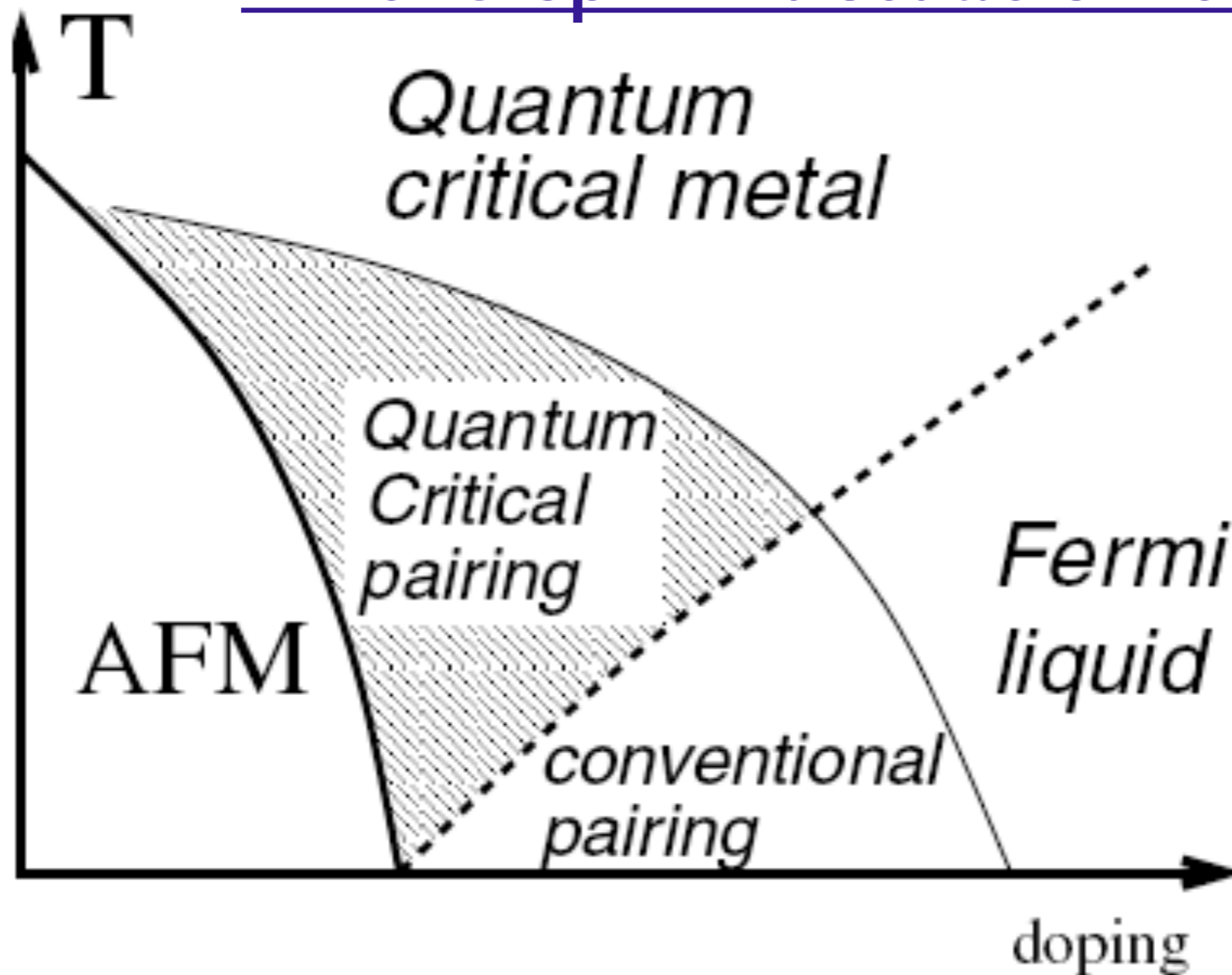
Non-zero solutions of this equation require that  $\Delta_{\mathbf{k}}$  and  $\Delta_{\mathbf{p}}$  have opposite signs when  $\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{k} \approx \mathbf{K}$ .

# $d$ -wave pairing of the large Fermi surface

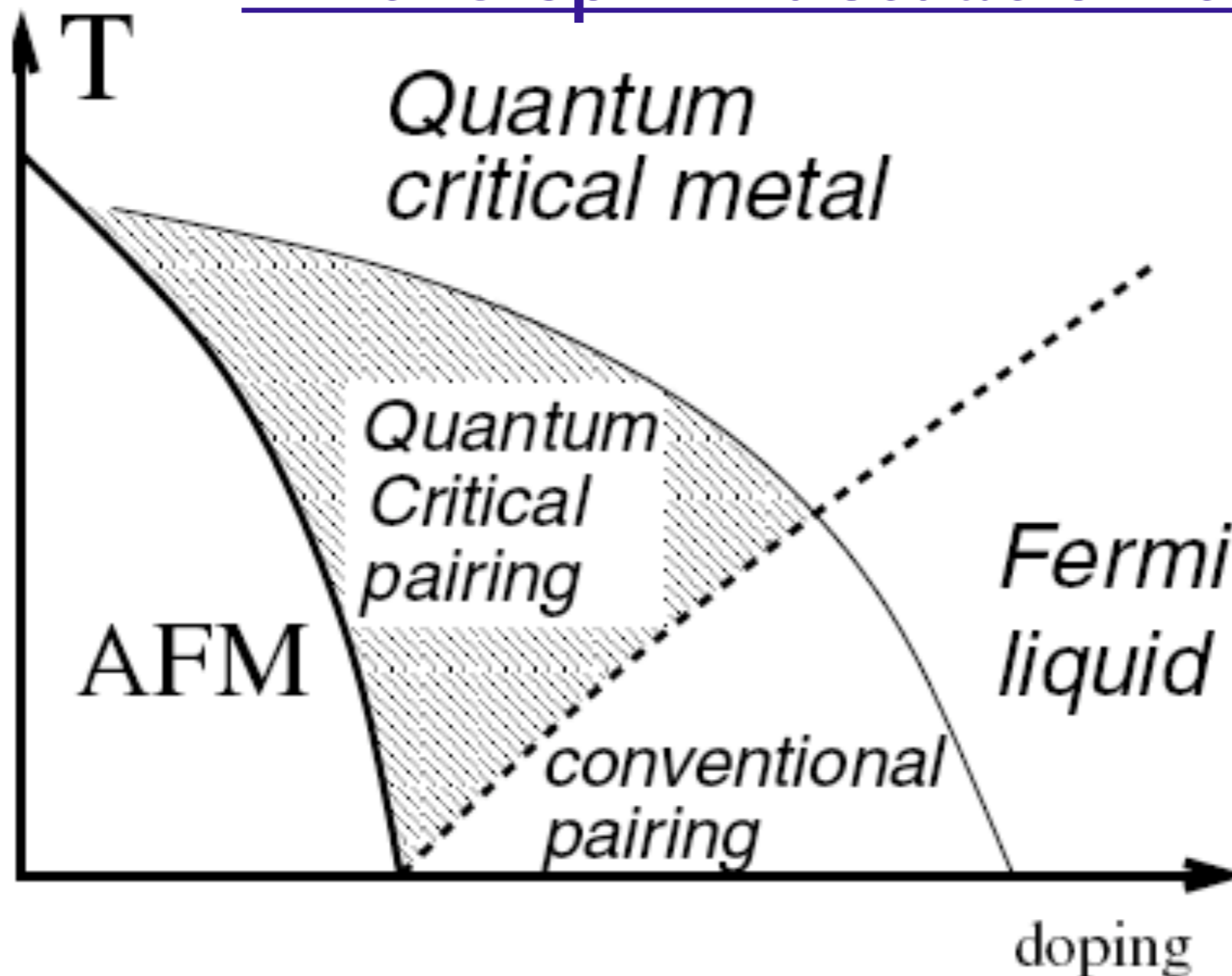


$$\langle c_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow} c_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow} \rangle \propto \Delta_{\mathbf{k}} = \Delta_0 (\cos(k_x) - \cos(k_y))$$

# Approaching the onset of antiferromagnetism in the spin-fluctuation theory



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- $T_c$  increases upon approaching the SDW transition. SDW and SC orders do not compete, but attract each other.
- No simple mechanism for nodal-anti-nodal dichotomy.

# Superconductivity of fluctuating Fermi pockets in the underdoped cuprates

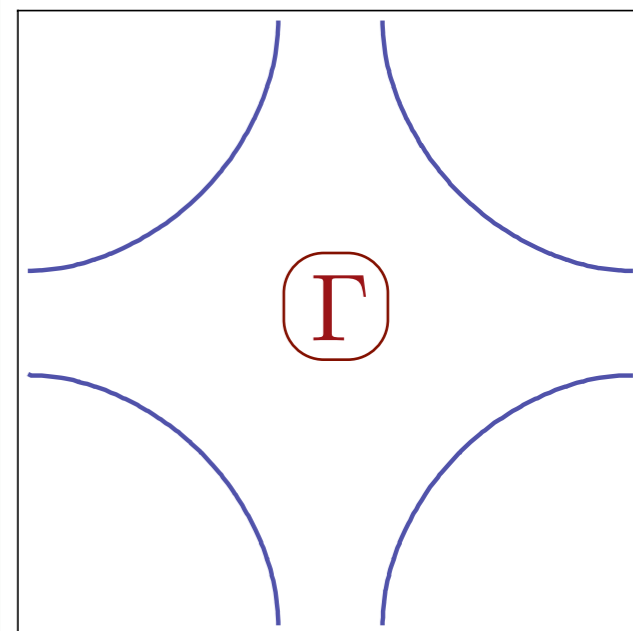
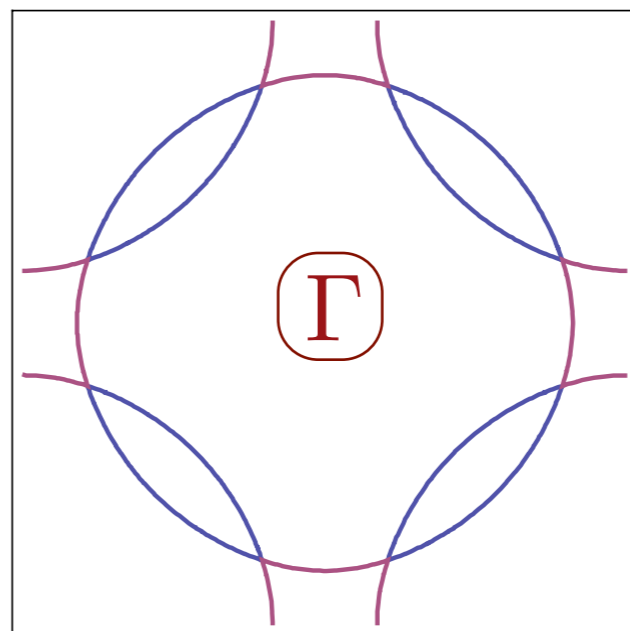
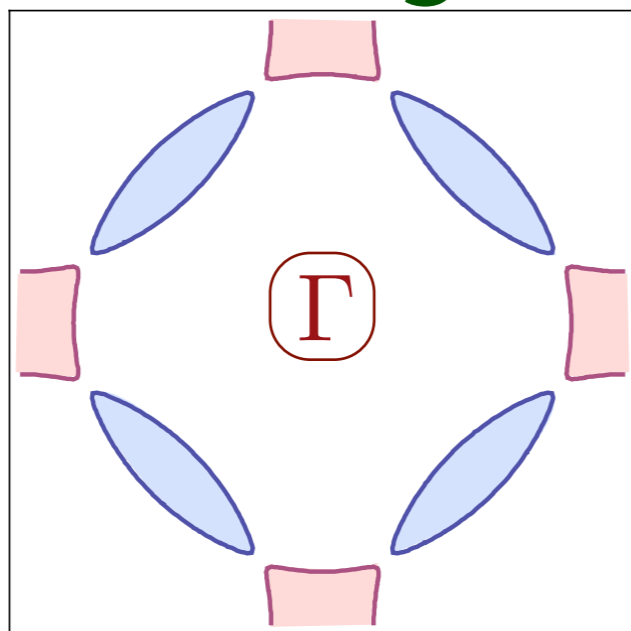
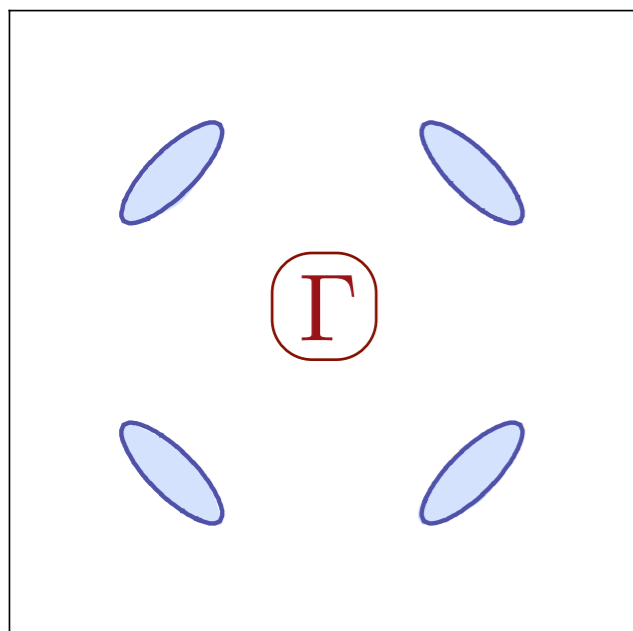
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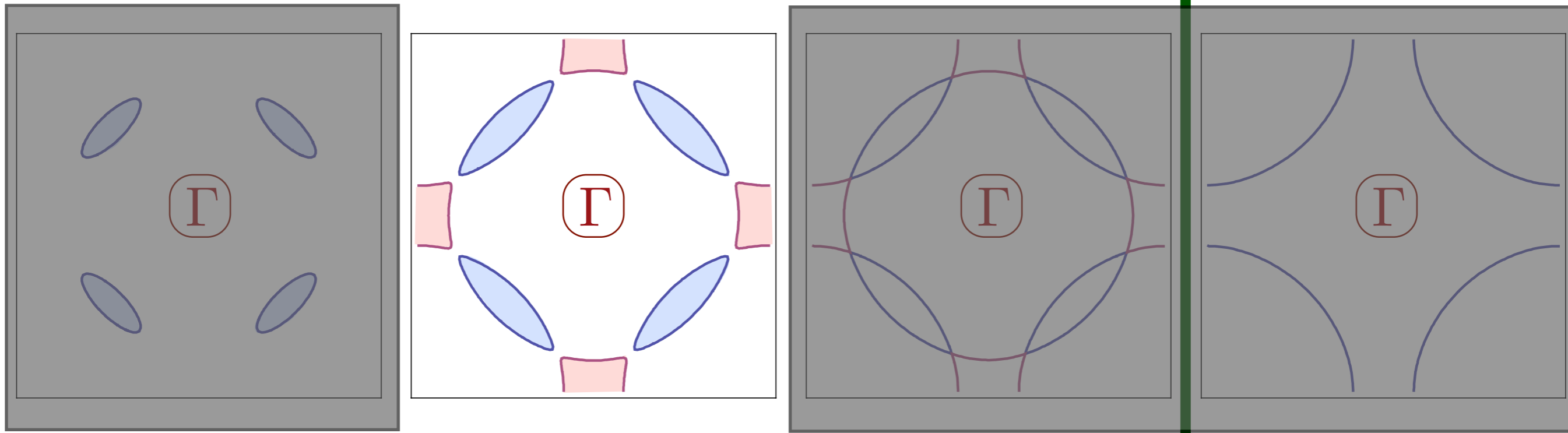
# Spin density wave theory in hole-doped cuprates

← Increasing SDW order →





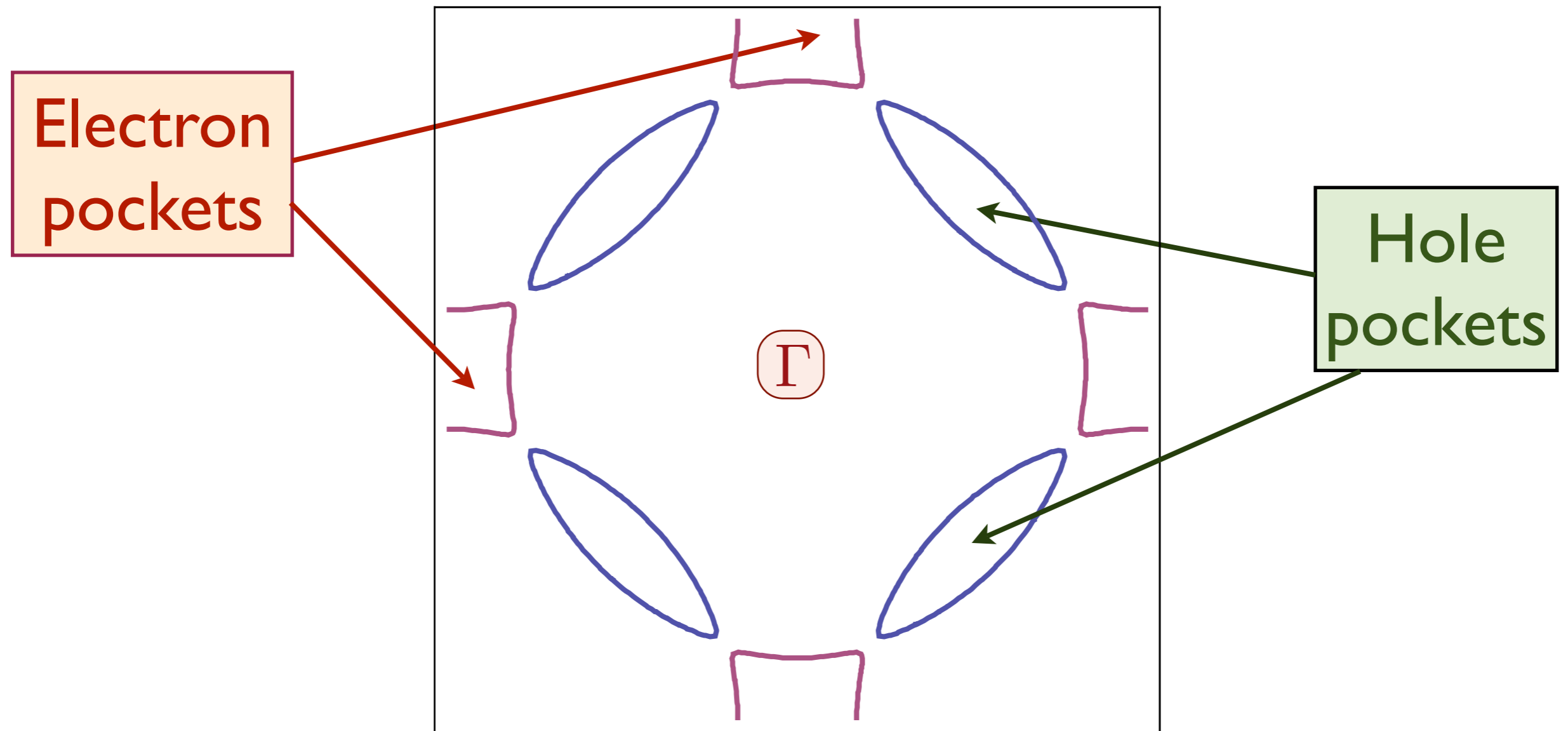
# Fermi pockets in hole-doped cuprates



Begin with SDW ordered state, and focus on fluctuations in the *orientation* of  $\vec{\varphi}$ , by using a unit-length bosonic spinor  $z_\alpha$

$$\vec{\varphi} = z_\alpha^* \vec{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} z_\beta$$

# Charge carriers in the lightly-doped cuprates with Neel order



# Spin density wave theory for electrons near $(0, \pi)$ and $(\pi, 0)$

Let us write  $c_{(0,\pi)\alpha} = c_{1\alpha}$ ,  $c_{(\pi,0)\alpha} = c_{2\alpha}$  and  $\varepsilon_{(0,\pi)} = \varepsilon_{(\pi,0)} = \varepsilon_0$ . Then the Hamiltonian for  $\vec{\varphi} = (0, 0, \varphi)$  with  $\varphi > 0$  is

$$H_0 + H_{\text{sdw}} = \varepsilon_0 \left( c_{1\alpha}^\dagger c_{1\alpha} + c_{2\alpha}^\dagger c_{2\alpha} \right) - \varphi \left( c_{1\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2\uparrow} - c_{1\downarrow}^\dagger c_{2\downarrow} + c_{2\uparrow}^\dagger c_{1\uparrow} - c_{2\downarrow}^\dagger c_{1\downarrow} \right)$$

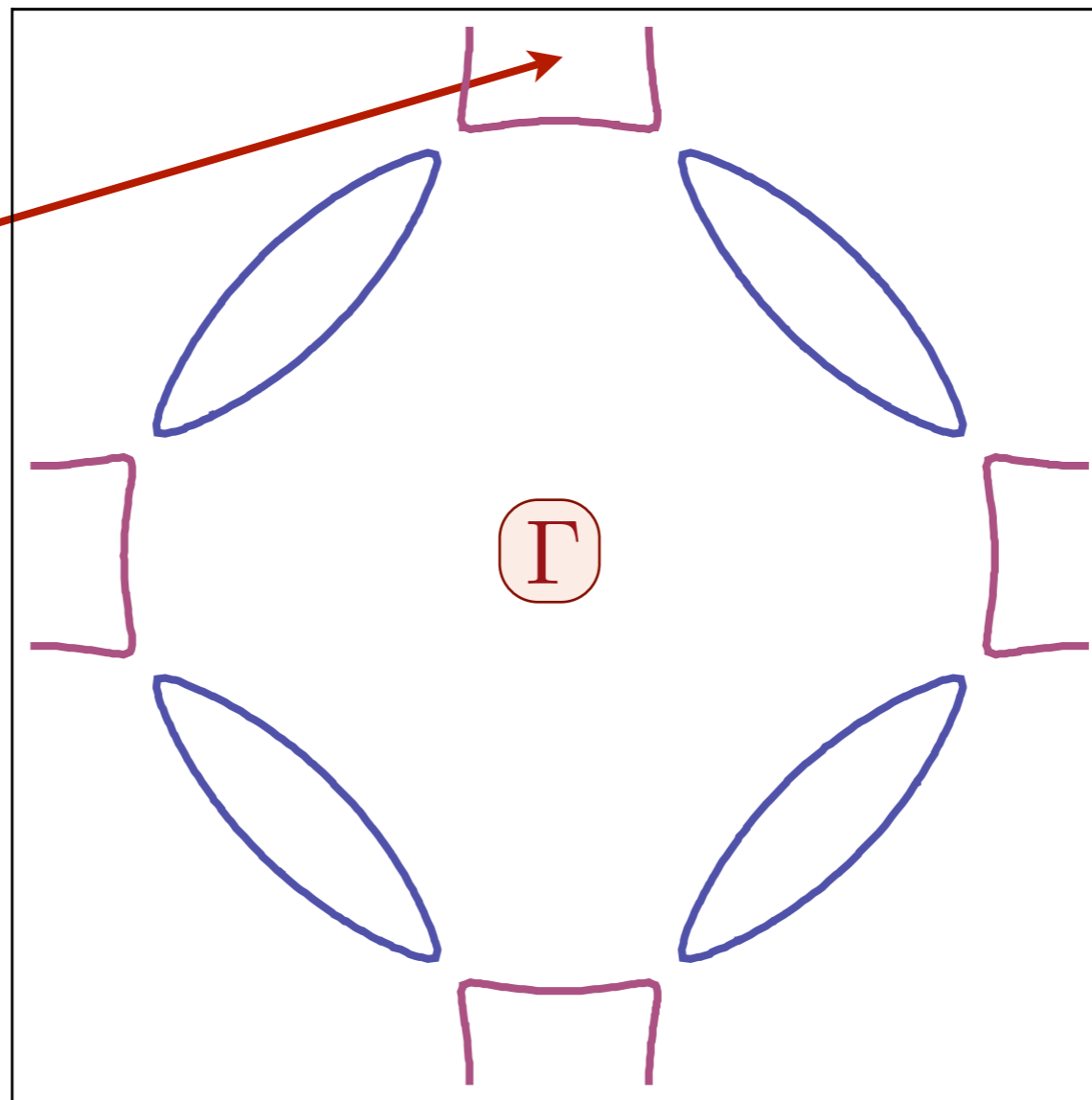
We diagonalize this by writing

$$H_0 + H_{\text{sdw}} = (\varepsilon_0 - \varphi) \left( g_+^\dagger g_+ + g_-^\dagger g_- \right) + (\varepsilon_0 + \varphi) \left( h_+^\dagger h_+ + h_-^\dagger h_- \right)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} c_{1\uparrow} &= (g_+ + h_+)/\sqrt{2} \\ c_{2\uparrow} &= (g_+ - h_+)/\sqrt{2} \\ c_{1\downarrow} &= (g_- + h_-)/\sqrt{2} \\ c_{2\downarrow} &= (-g_- + h_-)/\sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

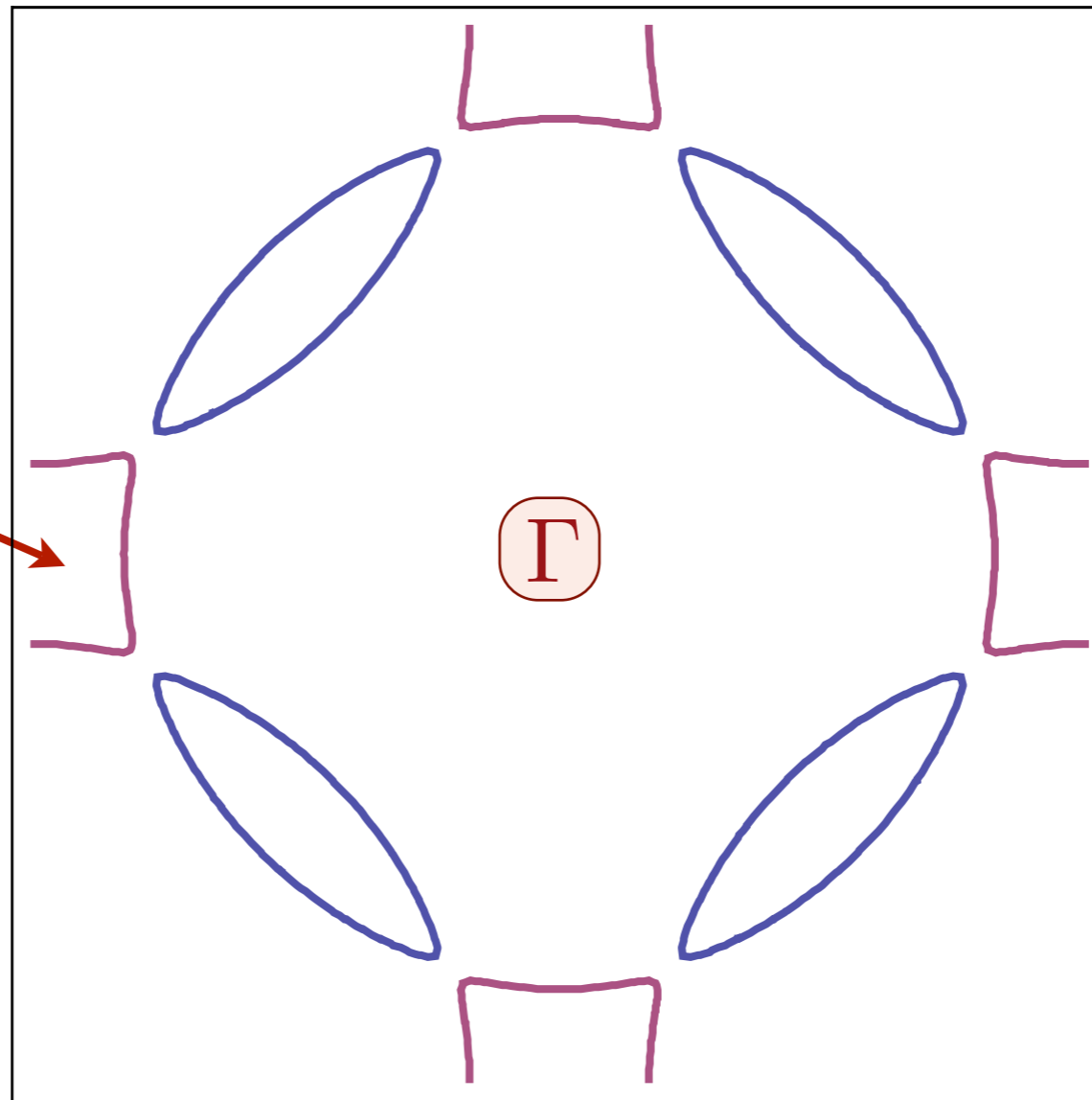
Electron  
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For a uniform SDW order with  $\vec{\varphi} = (0, 0, \varphi)$ , write

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_{1\uparrow} \\ c_{1\downarrow} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} g_+ \\ g_- \end{pmatrix}$$

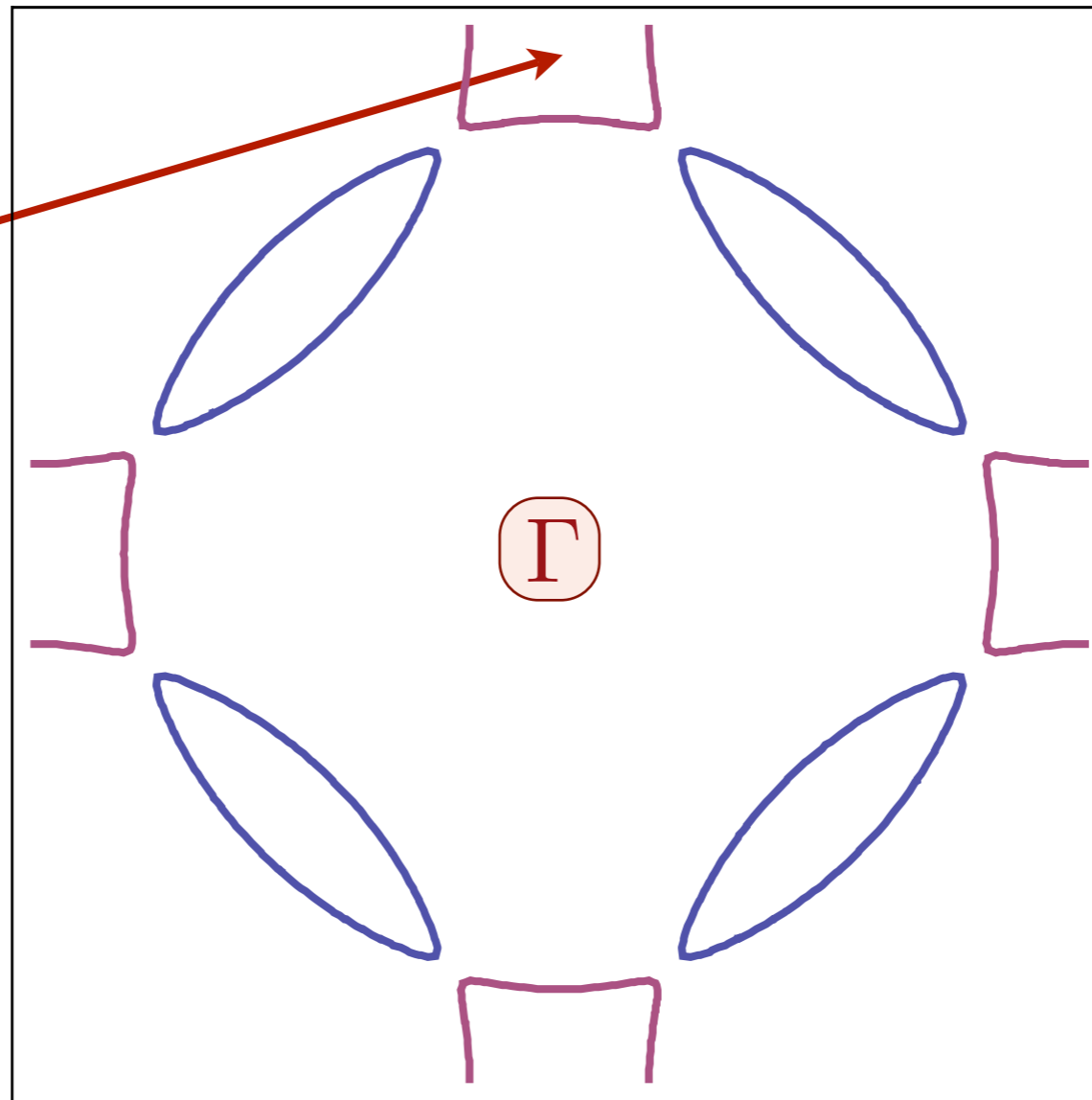
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SDW theory also specifies electrons  
at second pocket for  $\vec{\varphi} = (0, 0, \varphi)$

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_{2\uparrow} \\ c_{2\downarrow} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} g_+ \\ -g_- \end{pmatrix}$$

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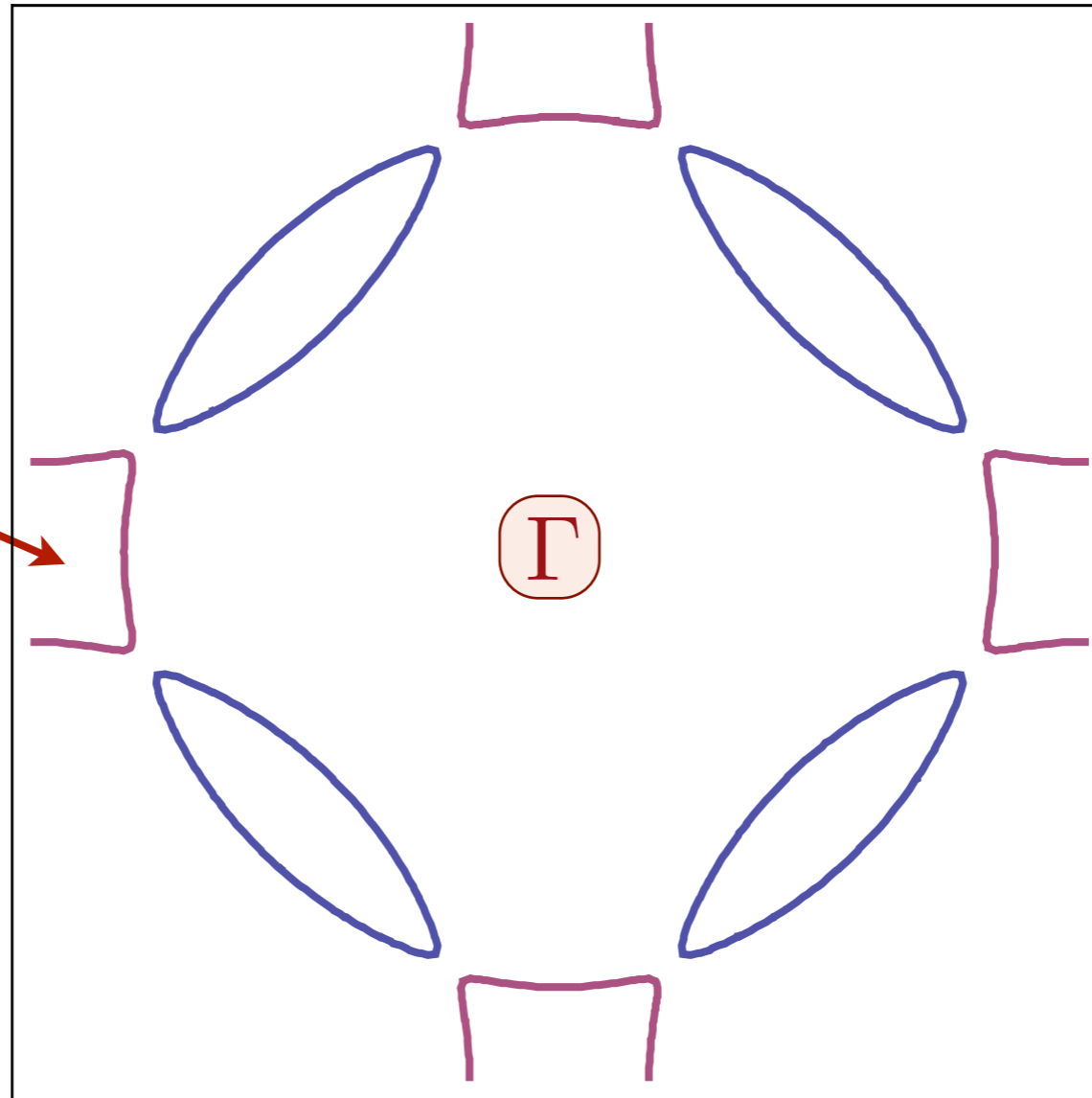


For a spacetime dependent SDW order,  $\vec{\varphi} = z_{\alpha}^* \vec{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} z_{\beta}$ ,

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_{1\uparrow} \\ c_{1\downarrow} \end{pmatrix} = \mathcal{R}_z \begin{pmatrix} g_+ \\ g_- \end{pmatrix} \quad ; \quad \mathcal{R}_z \equiv \begin{pmatrix} z_{\uparrow} & -z_{\downarrow}^* \\ z_{\downarrow} & z_{\uparrow}^* \end{pmatrix}.$$

So  $g_{\pm}$  are the “up/down” electron operators in a rotating reference frame defined by the local SDW order

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Same  $SU(2)$  matrix also rotates electrons in second pocket.

# Fluctuating pocket theory for electrons near $(0, \pi)$ and $(\pi, 0)$

Summarizing, in the low energy theory, the  $c_{1,2\alpha}$  are expressed in terms of the  $g_{\pm}$  fermions and the  $z_{\alpha}$  by

$$\begin{aligned}c_{1\uparrow} &= z_{\uparrow}g_{+} - z_{\downarrow}^{*}g_{-} \\c_{2\uparrow} &= z_{\uparrow}g_{+} + z_{\downarrow}^{*}g_{-} \\c_{1\downarrow} &= z_{\downarrow}g_{+} + z_{\uparrow}^{*}g_{-} \\c_{2\downarrow} &= z_{\downarrow}g_{+} - z_{\uparrow}^{*}g_{-}\end{aligned}$$

Note that this is invariant under the U(1) gauge transformation

$$z_{\alpha} \rightarrow e^{i\phi} z_{\alpha} \quad ; \quad g_{+} \rightarrow e^{-i\phi} g_{+} \quad ; \quad g_{-} \rightarrow e^{i\phi} g_{-},$$

which must be obeyed by the effective action for  $z_{\alpha}$  and  $g_{\pm}$ .



# Fluctuating pocket theory for electrons near $(0, \pi)$ and $(\pi, 0)$

We will show that in the resulting theory, the  $g_{\pm}$  are unstable to a simple  $s$ -wave pairing with

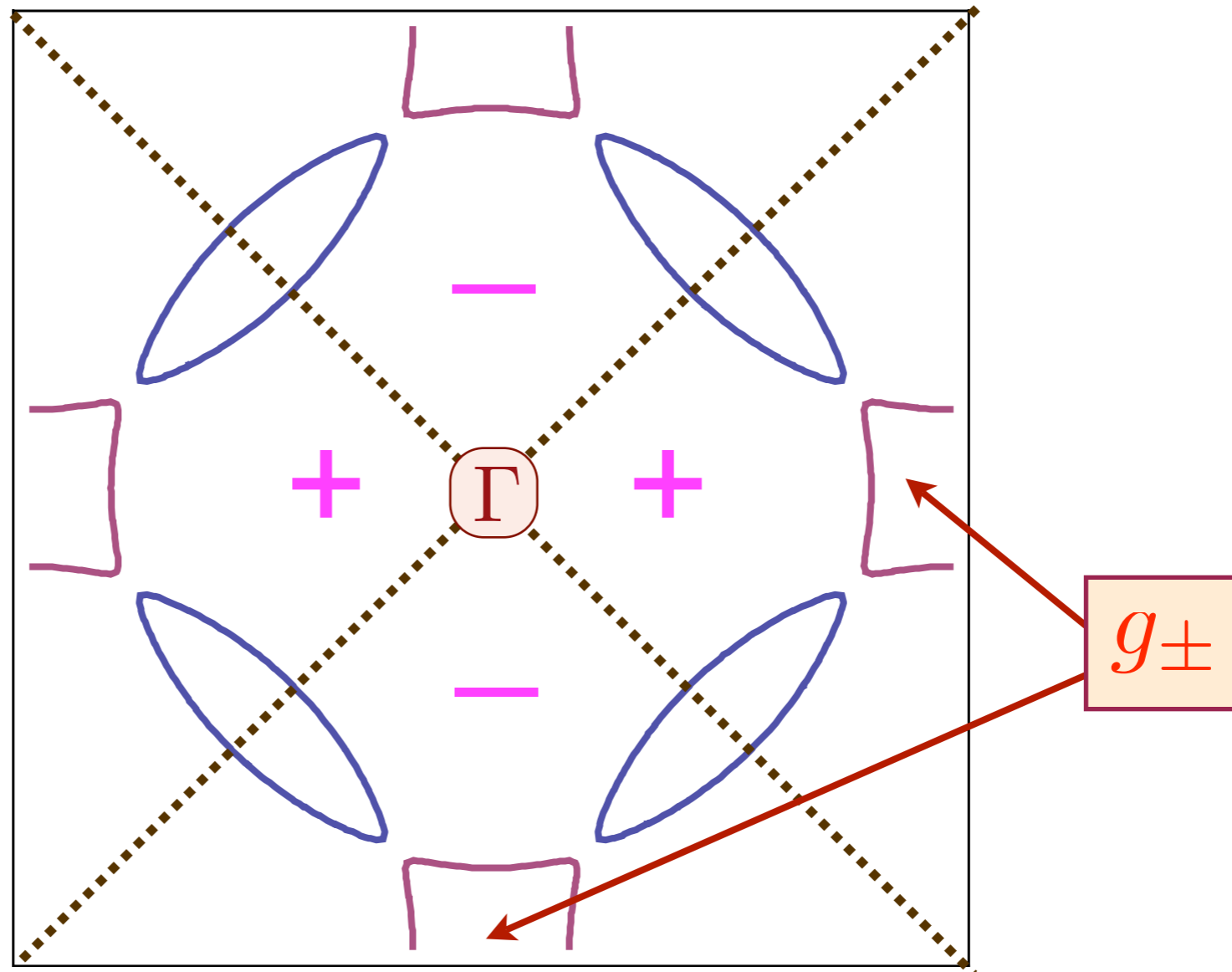
$$\langle g_+ g_- \rangle = \Delta$$

For the physical electron operators, this pairing implies

$$\begin{aligned}\langle c_{1\uparrow} c_{1\downarrow} \rangle &= \Delta \langle |z_{\alpha}|^2 \rangle \\ \langle c_{2\uparrow} c_{2\downarrow} \rangle &= -\Delta \langle |z_{\alpha}|^2 \rangle\end{aligned}$$

*i.e.*  $d$ -wave pairing !

# Strong pairing of the $g_{\pm}$ electron pockets



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Low energy theory for spinless, charge  $-e$  fermions  $g_{\pm}$ , and spinful, charge 0 bosons  $z_{\alpha}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} &= \mathcal{L}_z + \mathcal{L}_g \\ \mathcal{L}_z &= \frac{1}{t} \left[ |(\partial_{\tau} - iA_{\tau})z_{\alpha}|^2 + v^2 |\nabla - i\mathbf{A})z_{\alpha}|^2 \right] \\ &+ \text{Berry phases of monopoles in } A_{\mu}.\end{aligned}$$

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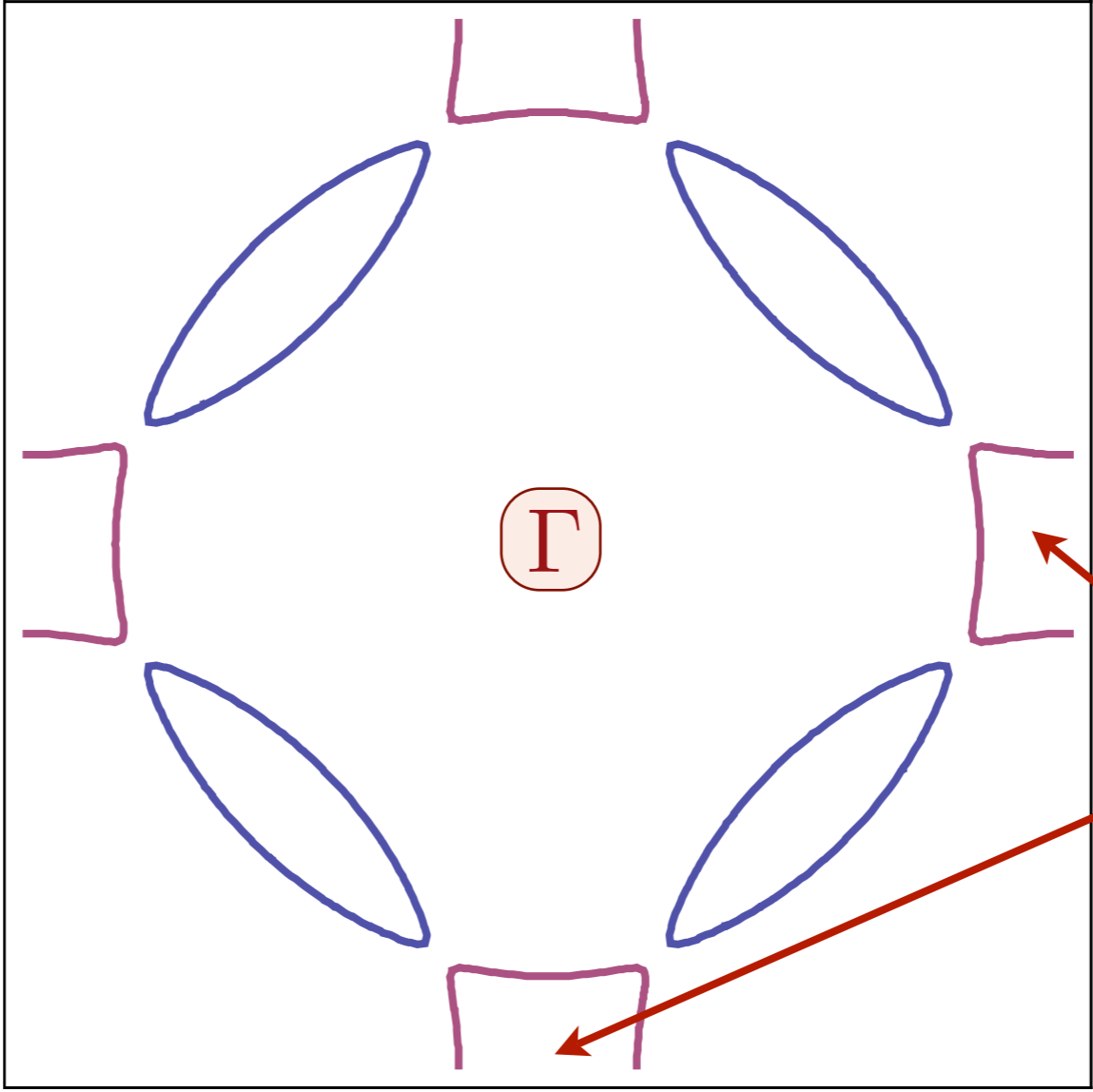
$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_g &= g_{+}^{\dagger} \left[ (\partial_{\tau} - iA_{\tau}) - \frac{1}{2m^{*}} (\nabla - i\mathbf{A})^2 - \mu \right] g_{+} \\ &+ g_{-}^{\dagger} \left[ (\partial_{\tau} + iA_{\tau}) - \frac{1}{2m^{*}} (\nabla + i\mathbf{A})^2 - \mu \right] g_{-}\end{aligned}$$

Two Fermi surfaces coupled to the emergent  $\text{U}(1)$  gauge field  $A_{\mu}$  with opposite charges

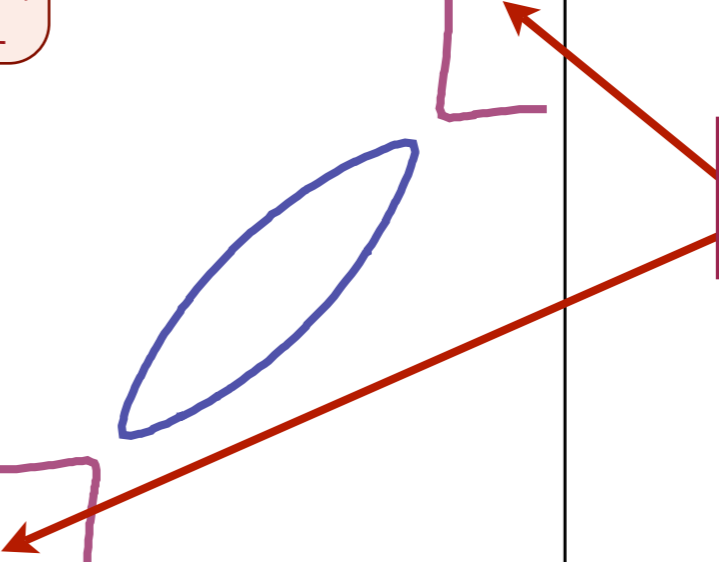
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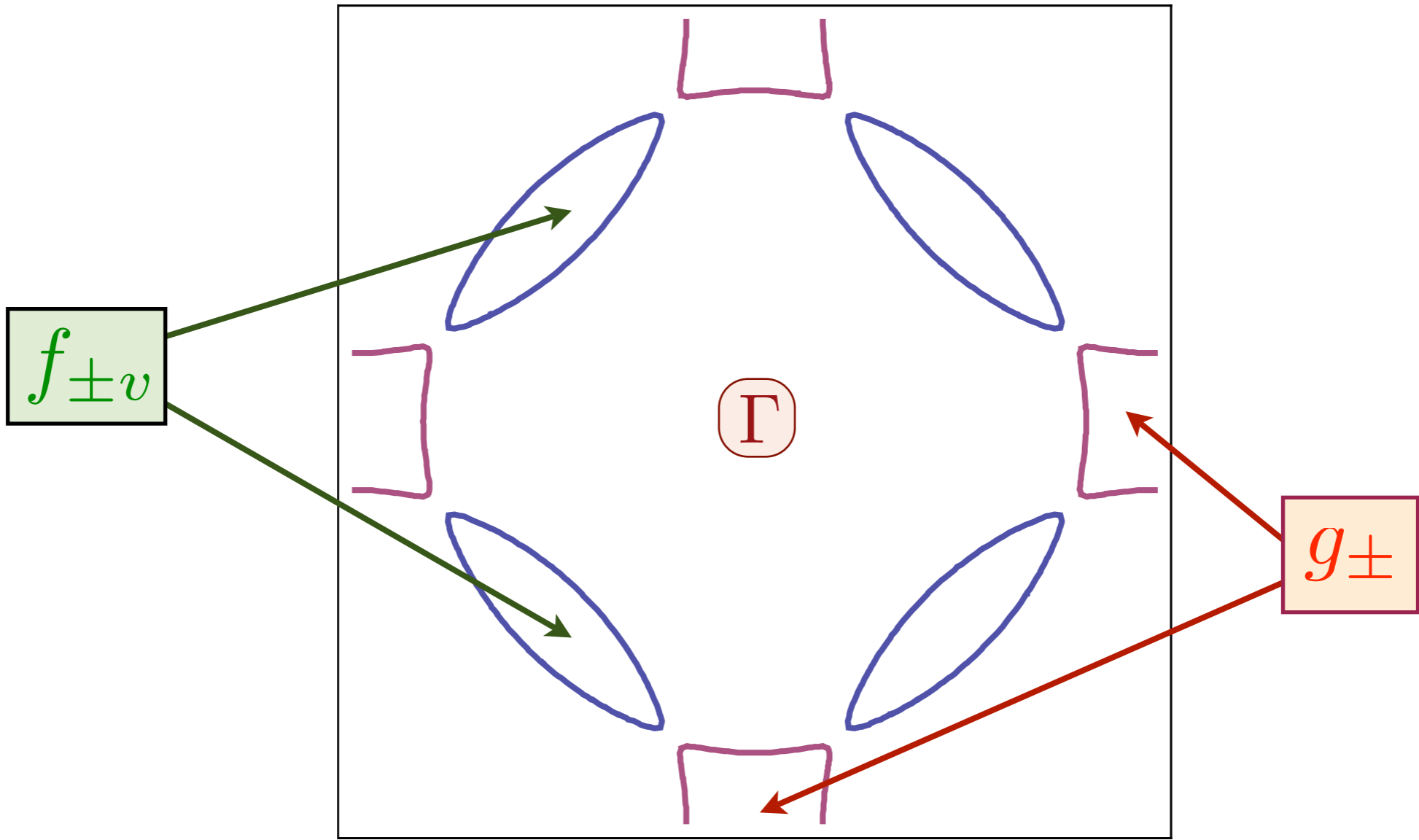
- Gauge forces lead to a  $s$ -wave paired state with a  $T_c$  of order the Fermi energy of the pockets. Inelastic scattering from low energy gauge modes lead to very singular  $g_{\pm}$  self energy, but is *not* pair-breaking.

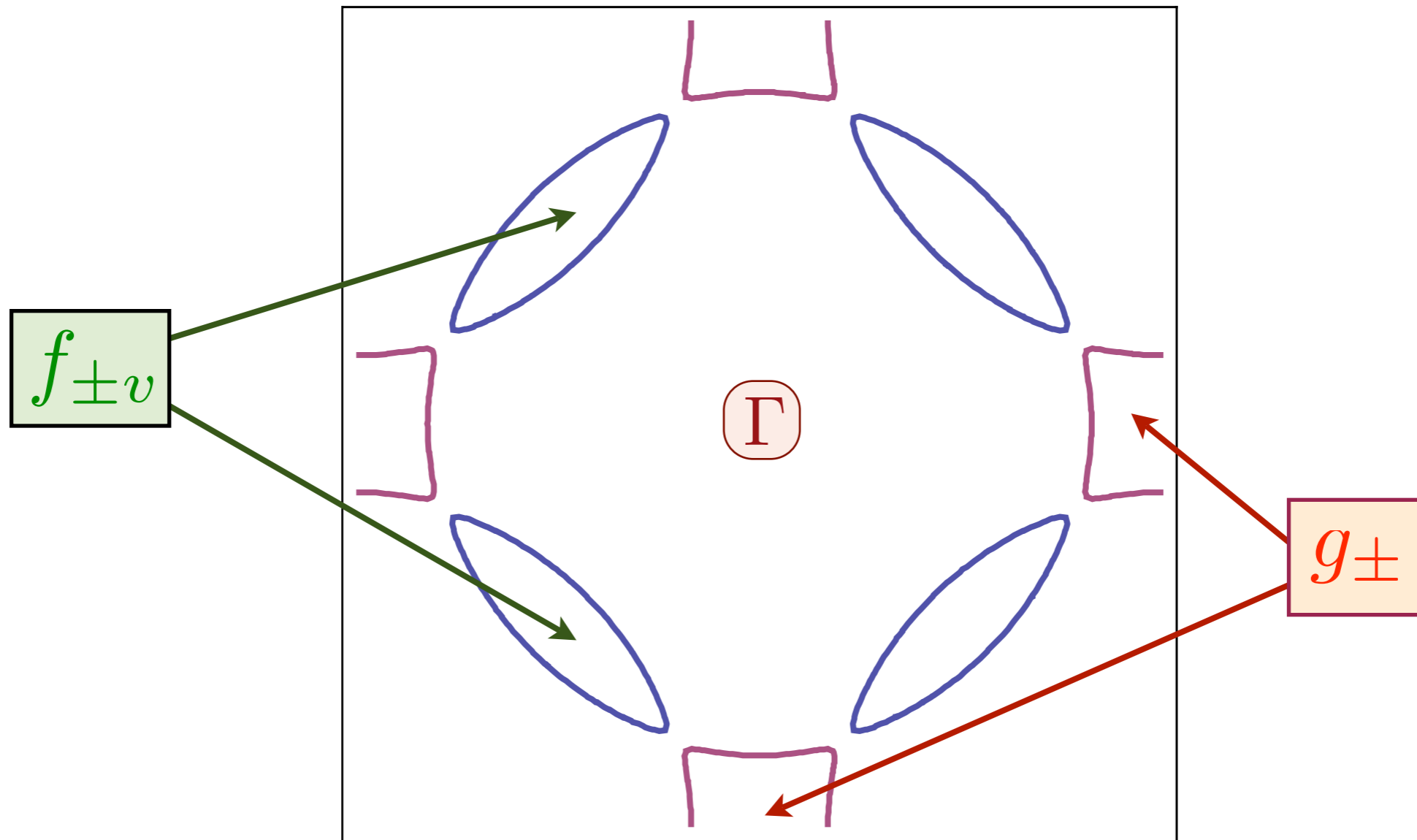
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$g_{\pm}$







Low energy theory for spinless, charge  $+e$  fermions  $f_{\pm v}$ :

$$\mathcal{L}_f = \sum_{v=1,2} \left\{ f_{+v}^\dagger \left[ (\partial_\tau - iA_\tau) - \frac{1}{2m^*} (\nabla - i\mathbf{A})^2 - \mu \right] f_{+v} + f_{-v}^\dagger \left[ (\partial_\tau + iA_\tau) - \frac{1}{2m^*} (\nabla + i\mathbf{A})^2 - \mu \right] f_{-v} \right\}$$



## Weak pairing of the $f_{\pm}$ hole pockets

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Josephson}} = iJ \left[ g_+ g_- \right] \left[ f_{+1} \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_x f_{-1} - f_{+1} \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_y f_{-1} + f_{+2} \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_x f_{-2} + f_{+2} \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_y f_{-2} \right] + \text{H.c.}$$

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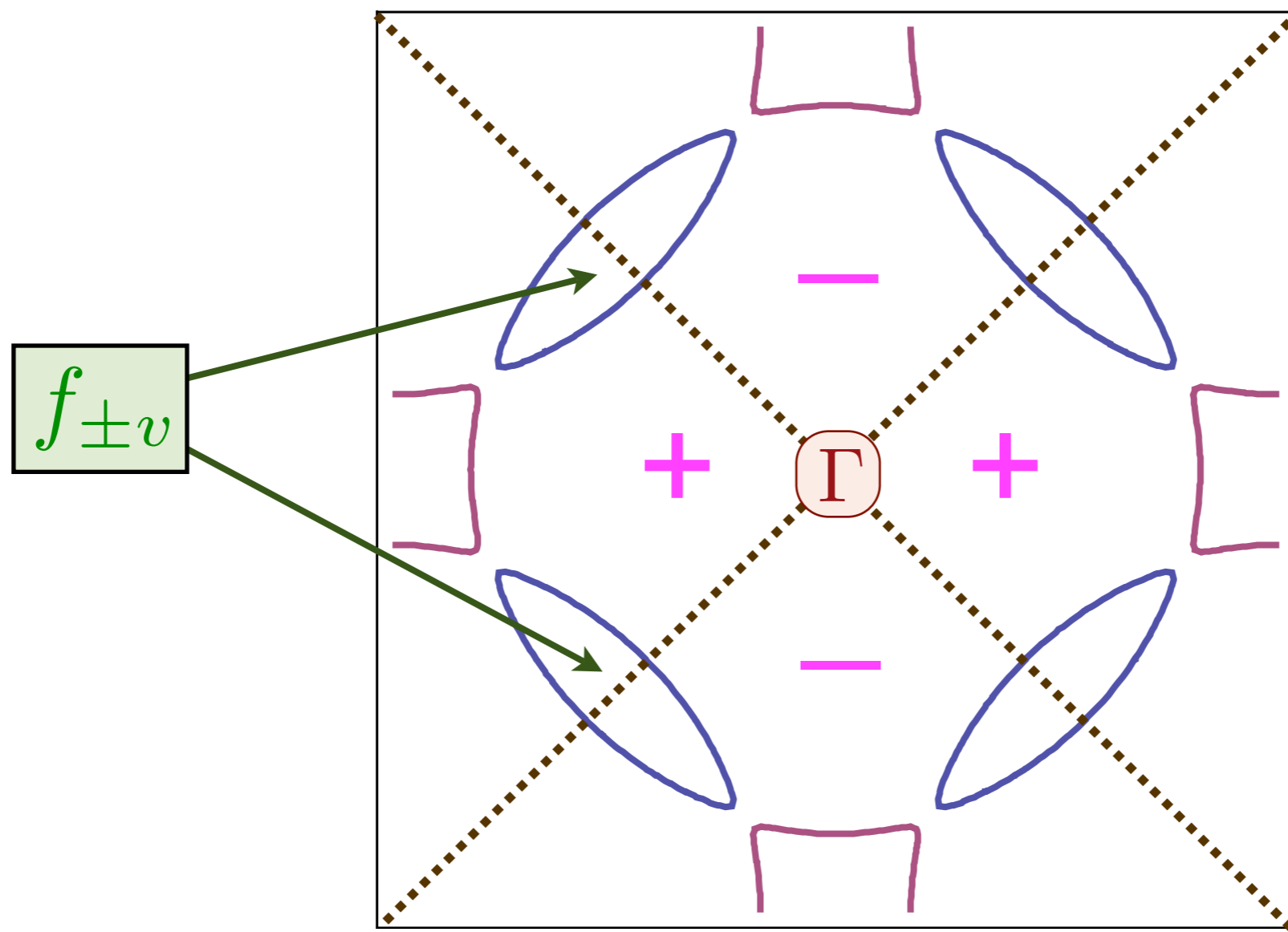
Proximity Josephson coupling  $J$  to  $g_{\pm}$  fermions leads to  $p$ -wave pairing of the  $f_{\pm v}$  fermions. The  $A_{\mu}$  gauge forces are pair-breaking, and so the pairing is weak.

$$\langle f_{+1}(\mathbf{k}) f_{-1}(-\mathbf{k}) \rangle \sim (k_x - k_y) J \langle g_+ g_- \rangle;$$

$$\langle f_{+2}(\mathbf{k}) f_{-2}(-\mathbf{k}) \rangle \sim (k_x + k_y) J \langle g_+ g_- \rangle;$$

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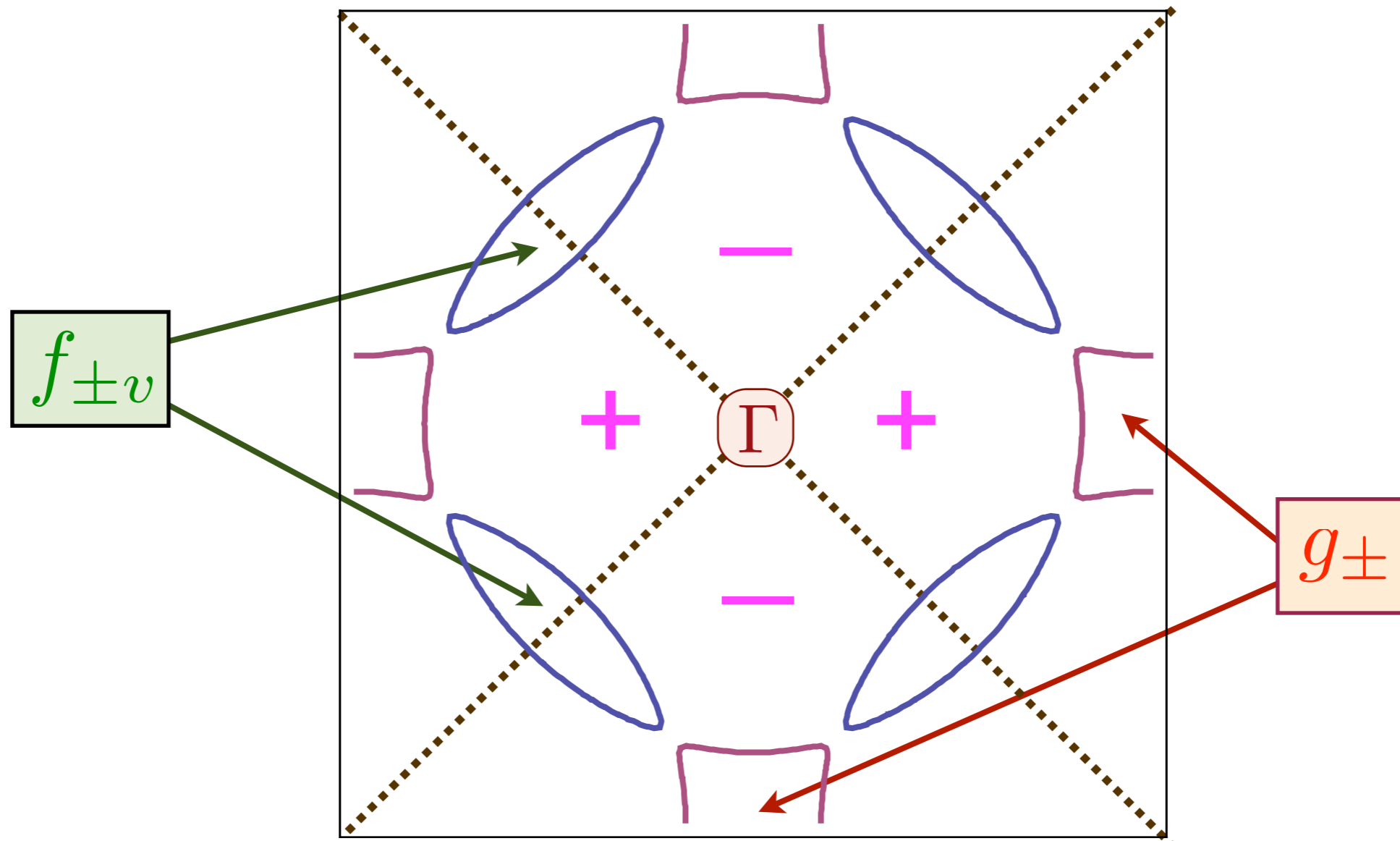
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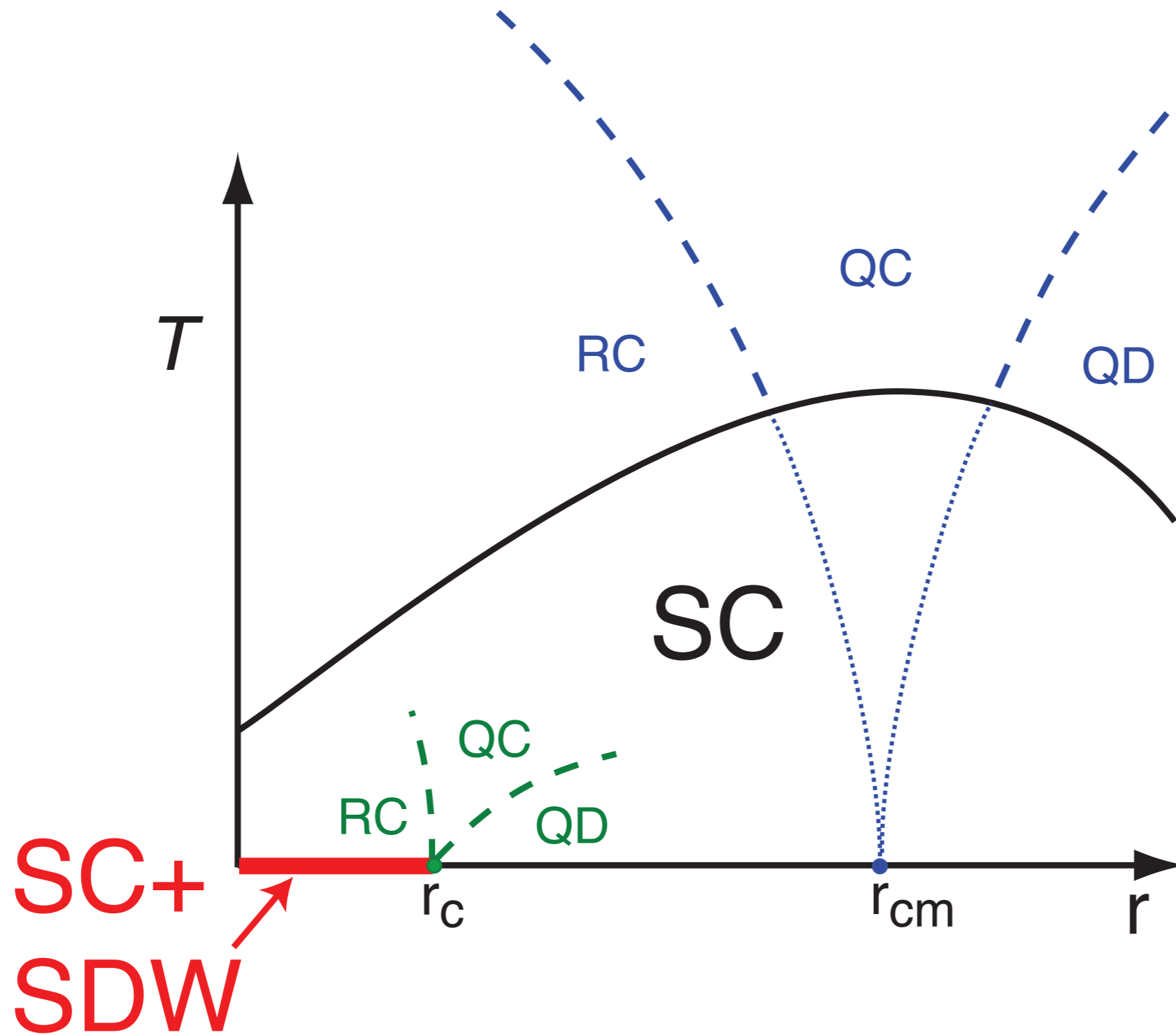
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**$d$ -wave** pairing of the electrons is associated with

- **Strong  $s$ -wave** pairing of  $g_{\pm}$
- **Weak  $p$ -wave** pairing of  $f_{\pm v}$ .

# Finite temperature “pseudogap”



- Because  $r_{cm} > r_c$ , for  $T > T_c$  there is local SDW order which is disordered by thermal fluctuations.

# Conclusions

- ★ Gauge theory for pairing in the underdoped cuprates, describing “angular” fluctuations of spin-density-wave order
- ★ Natural route to  $d$ -wave pairing with strong pairing at the antinodes and weak pairing at the nodes
- ★ Explains characteristic “competing order” features of field-doping phase diagram: SDW order is more stable in the metal than in the superconductor.