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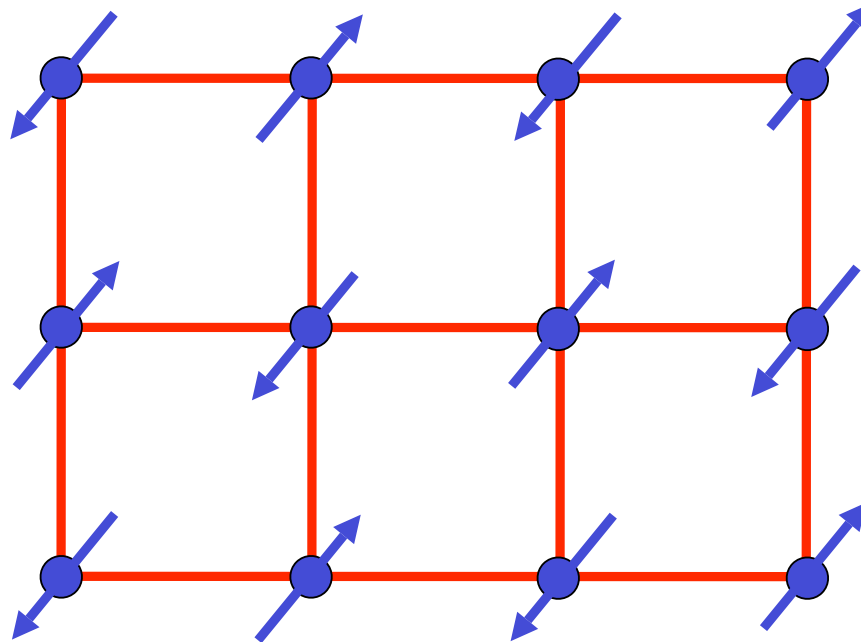
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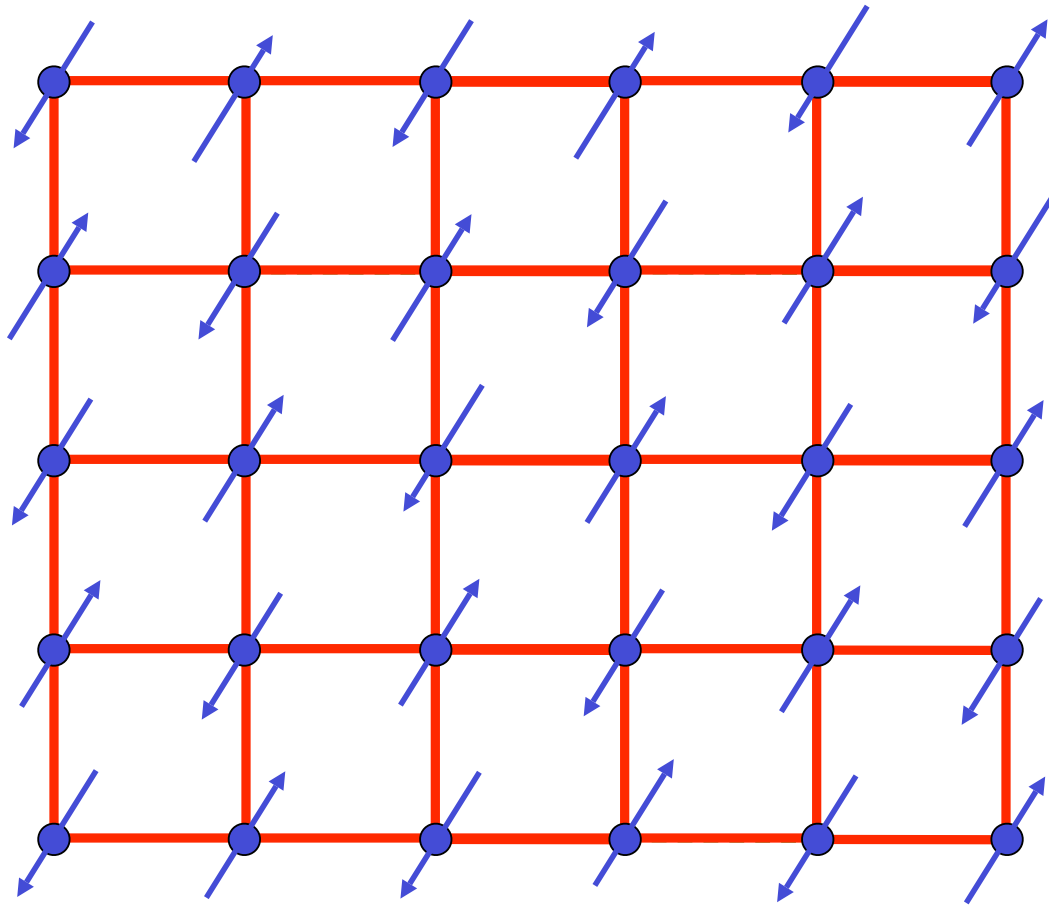
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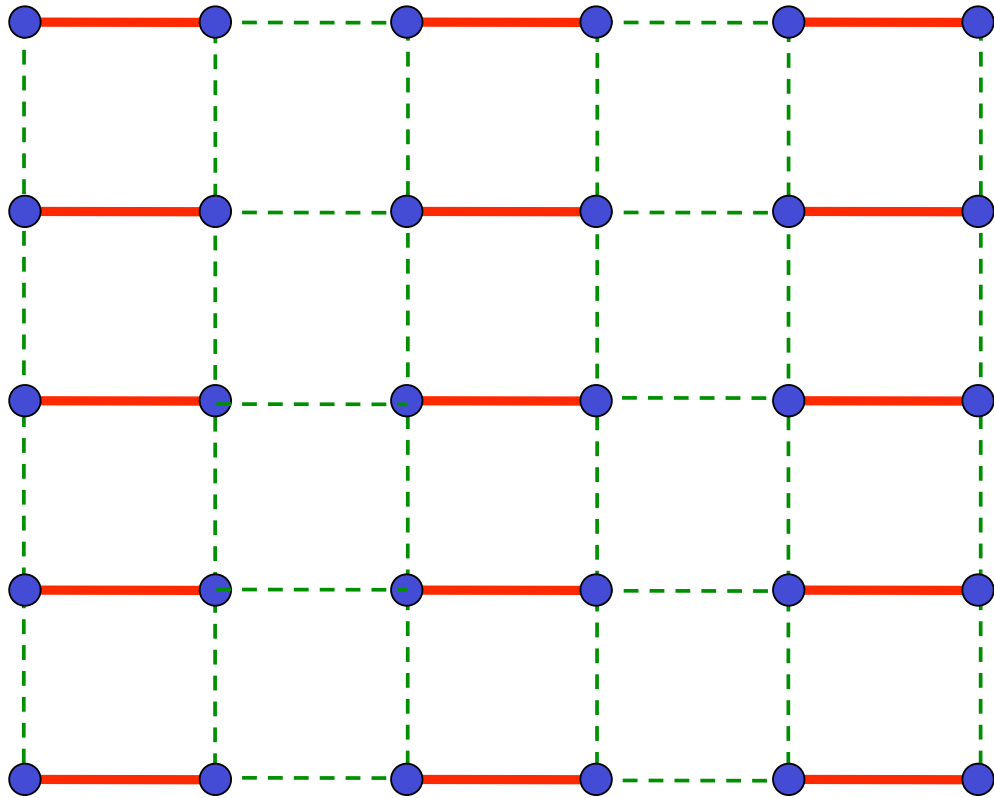
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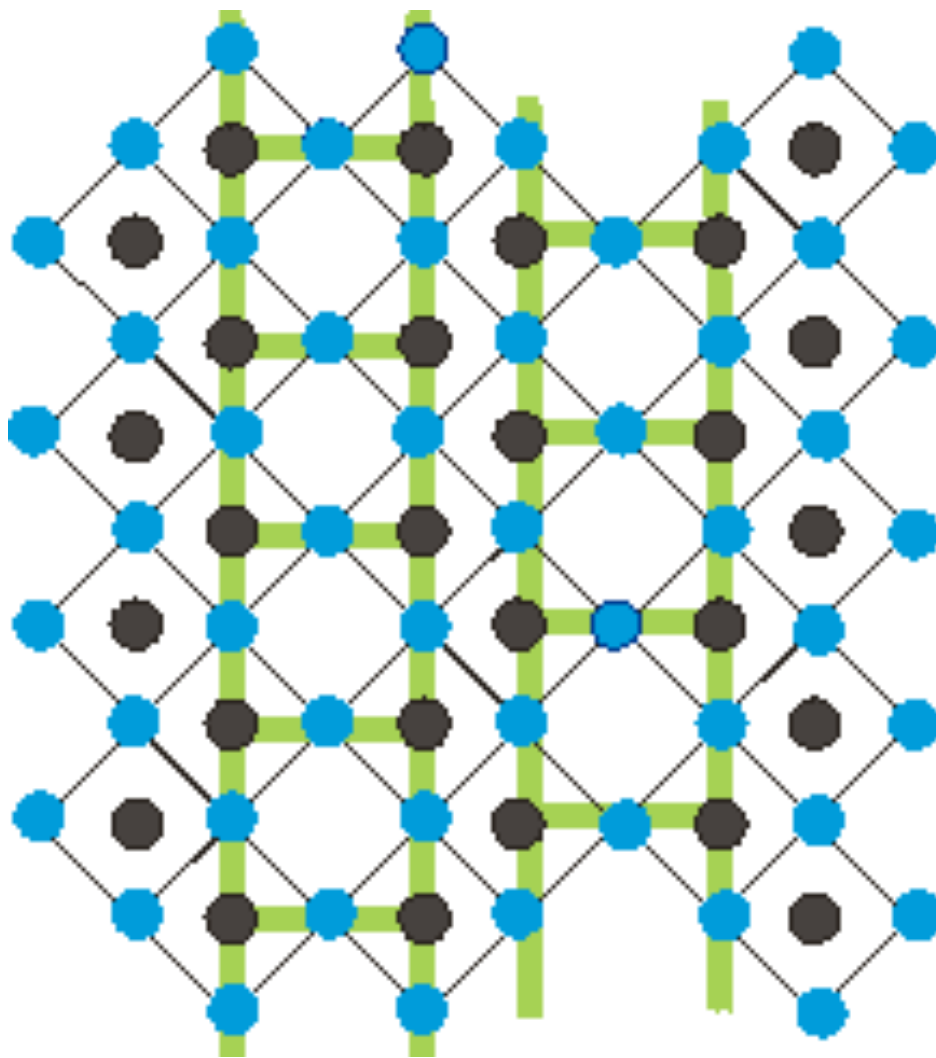
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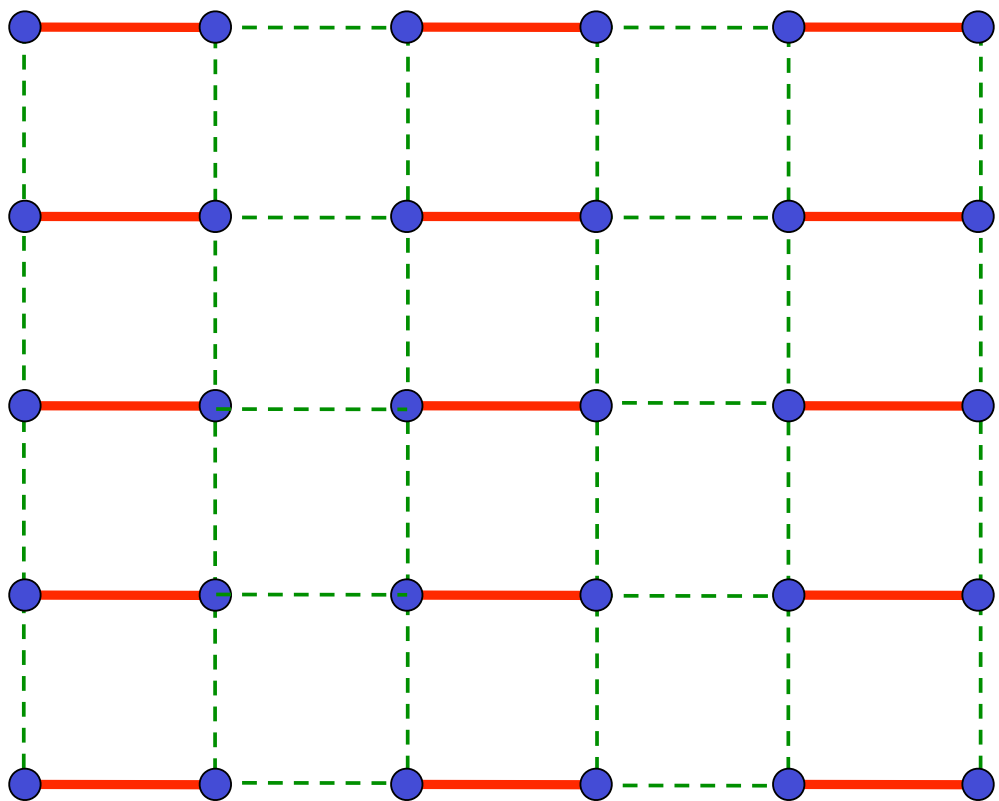


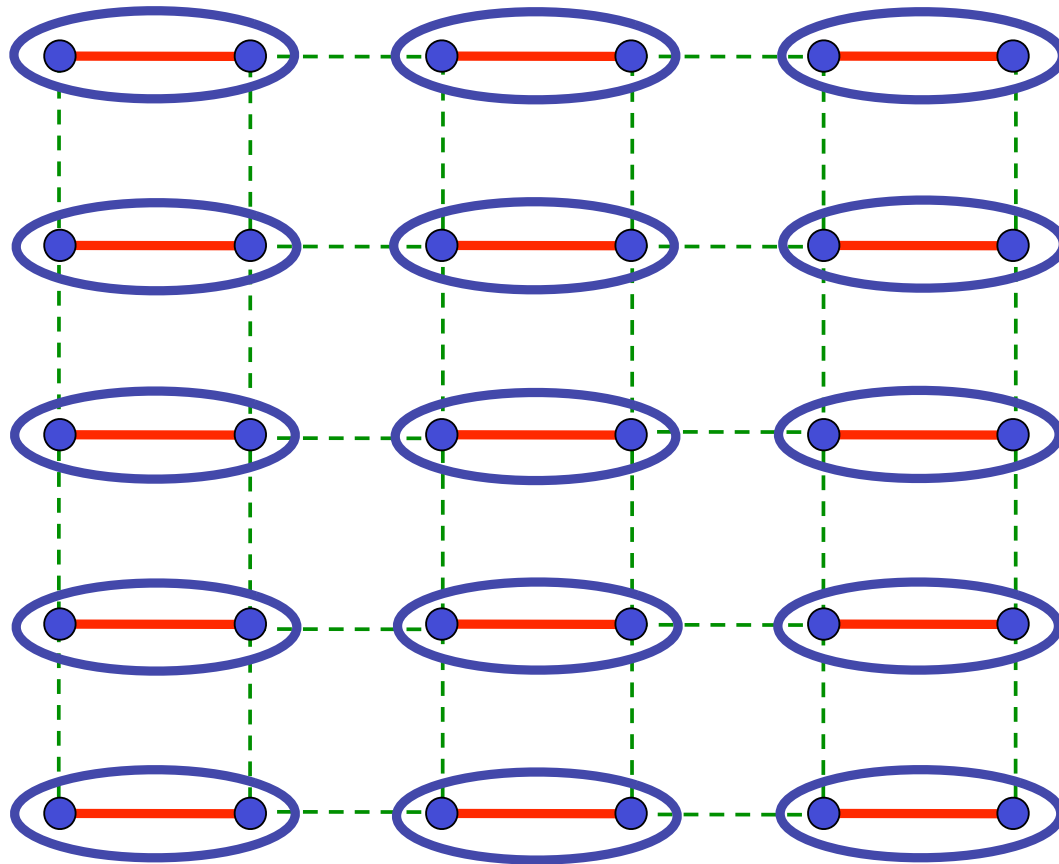
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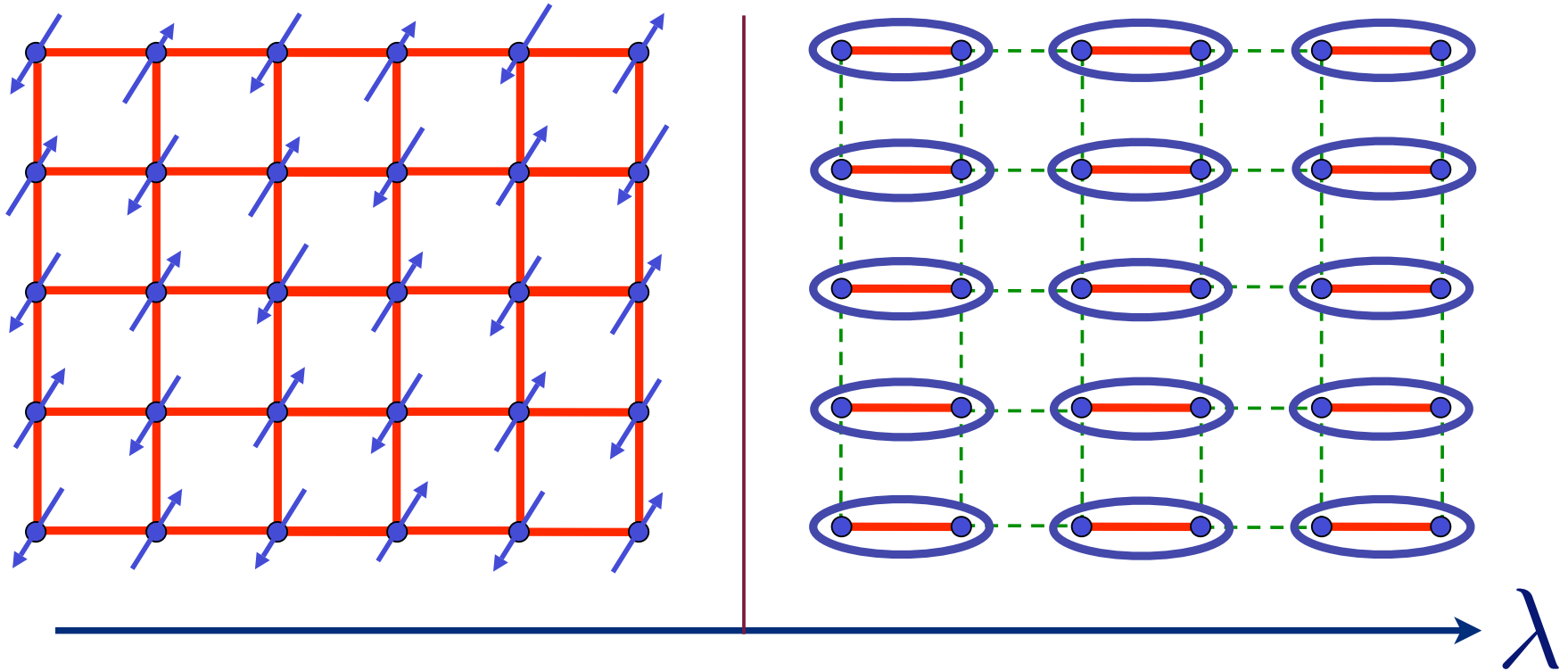


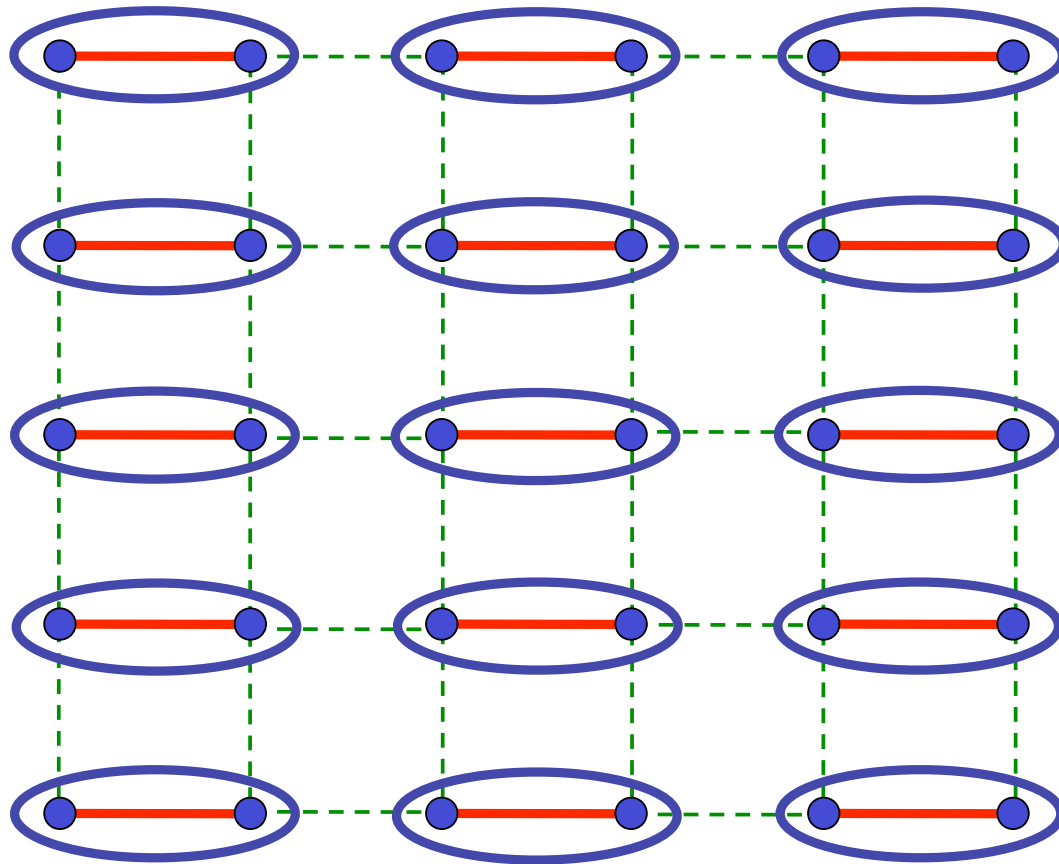


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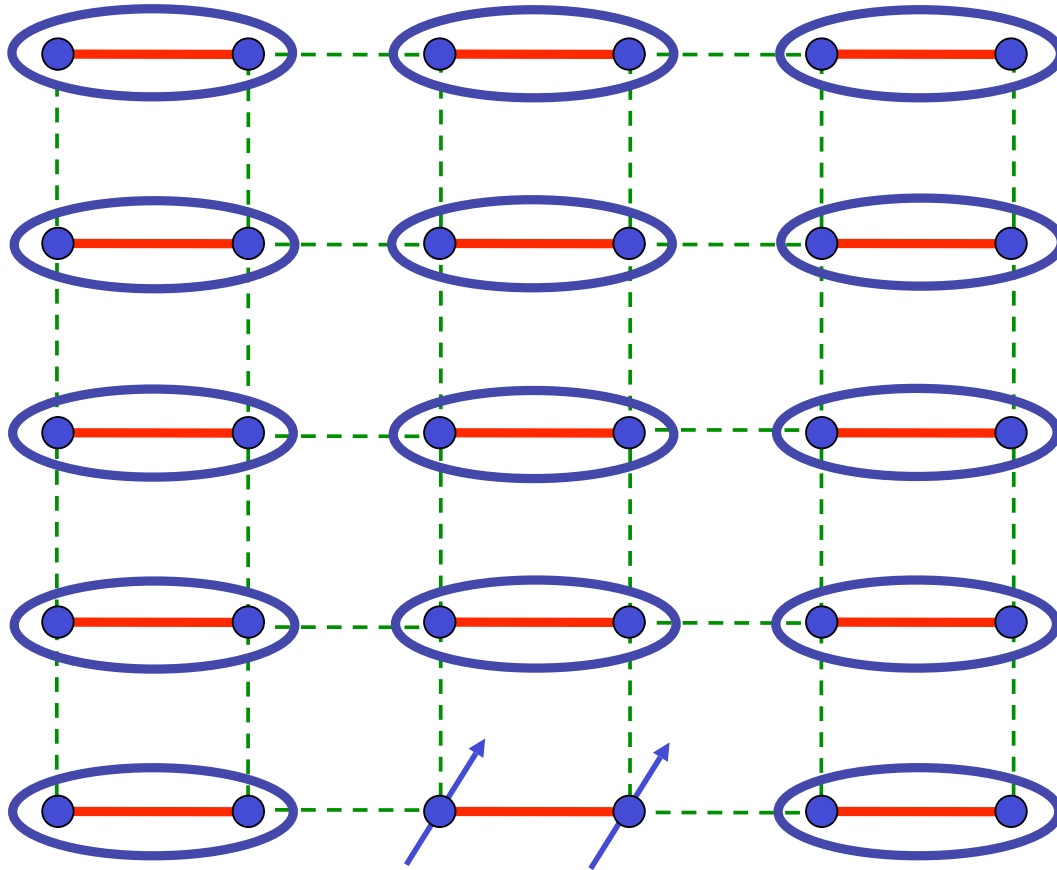
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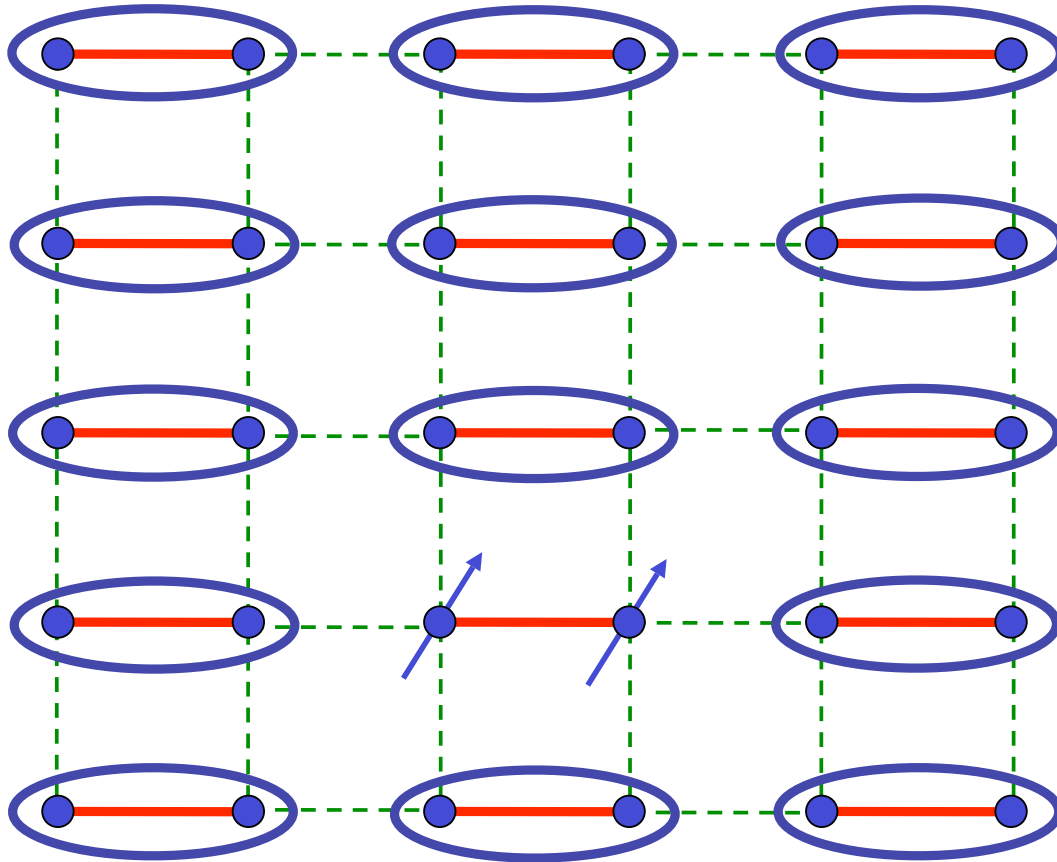
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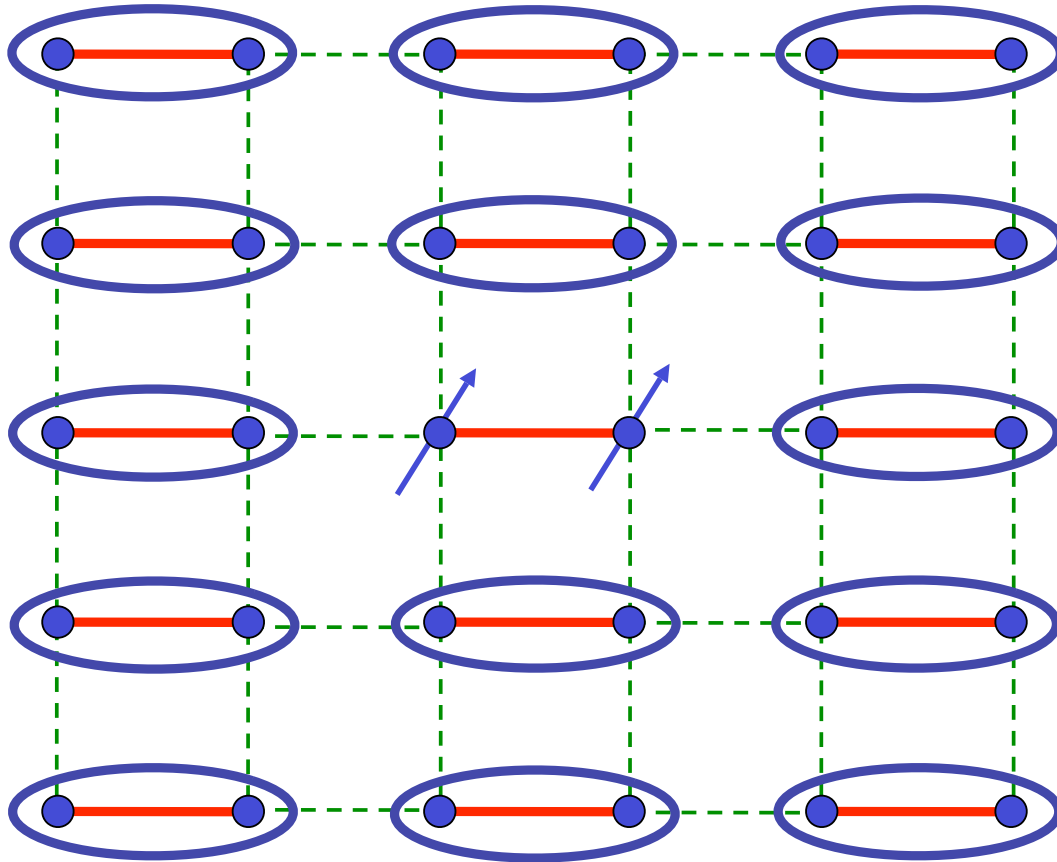
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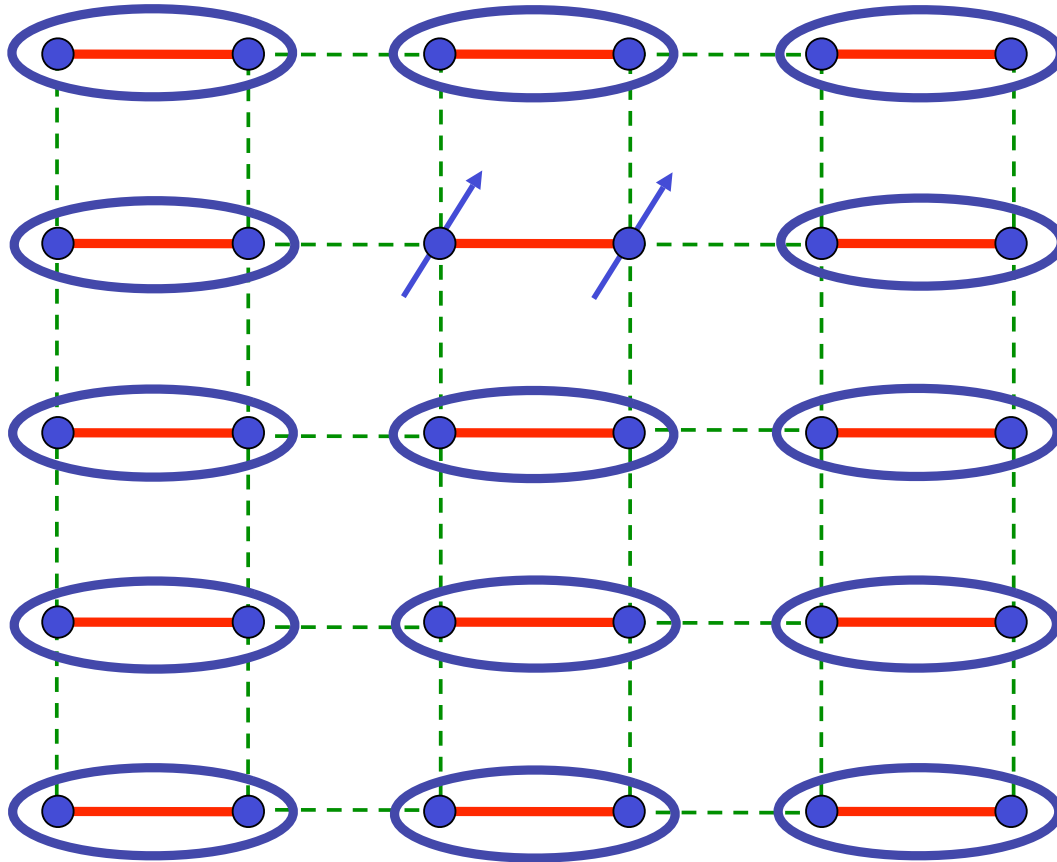
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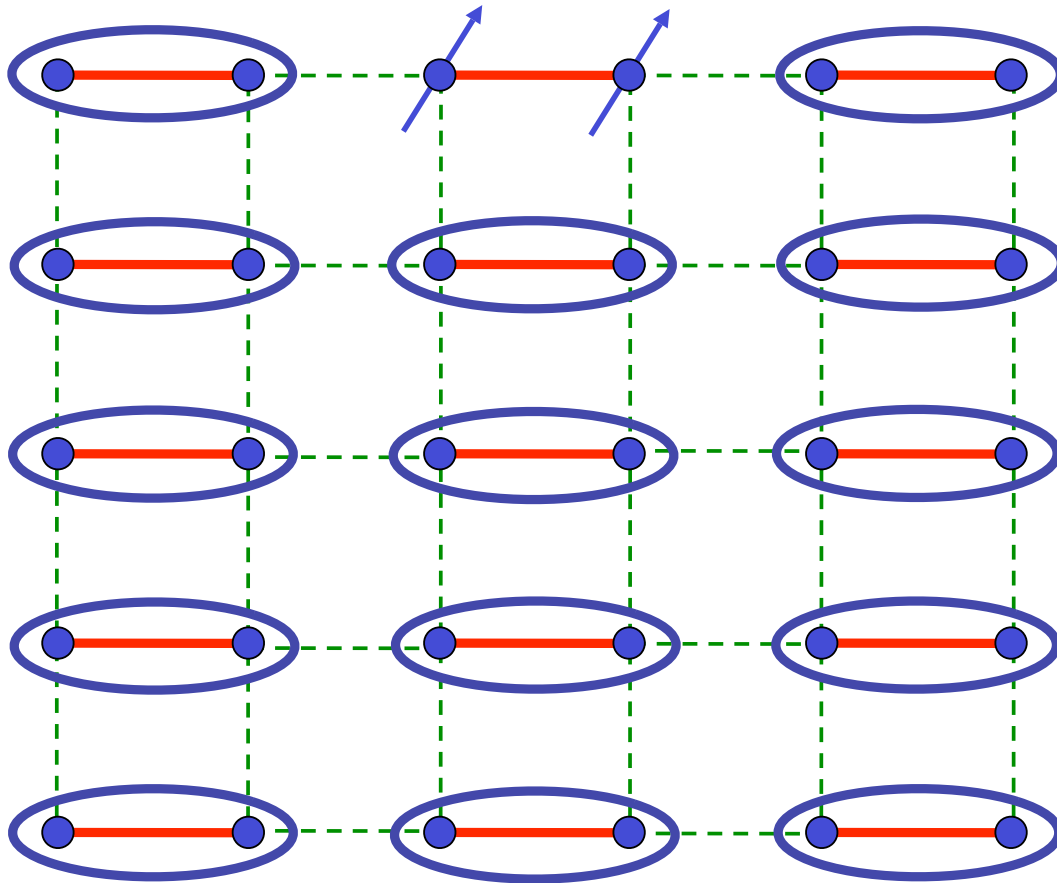
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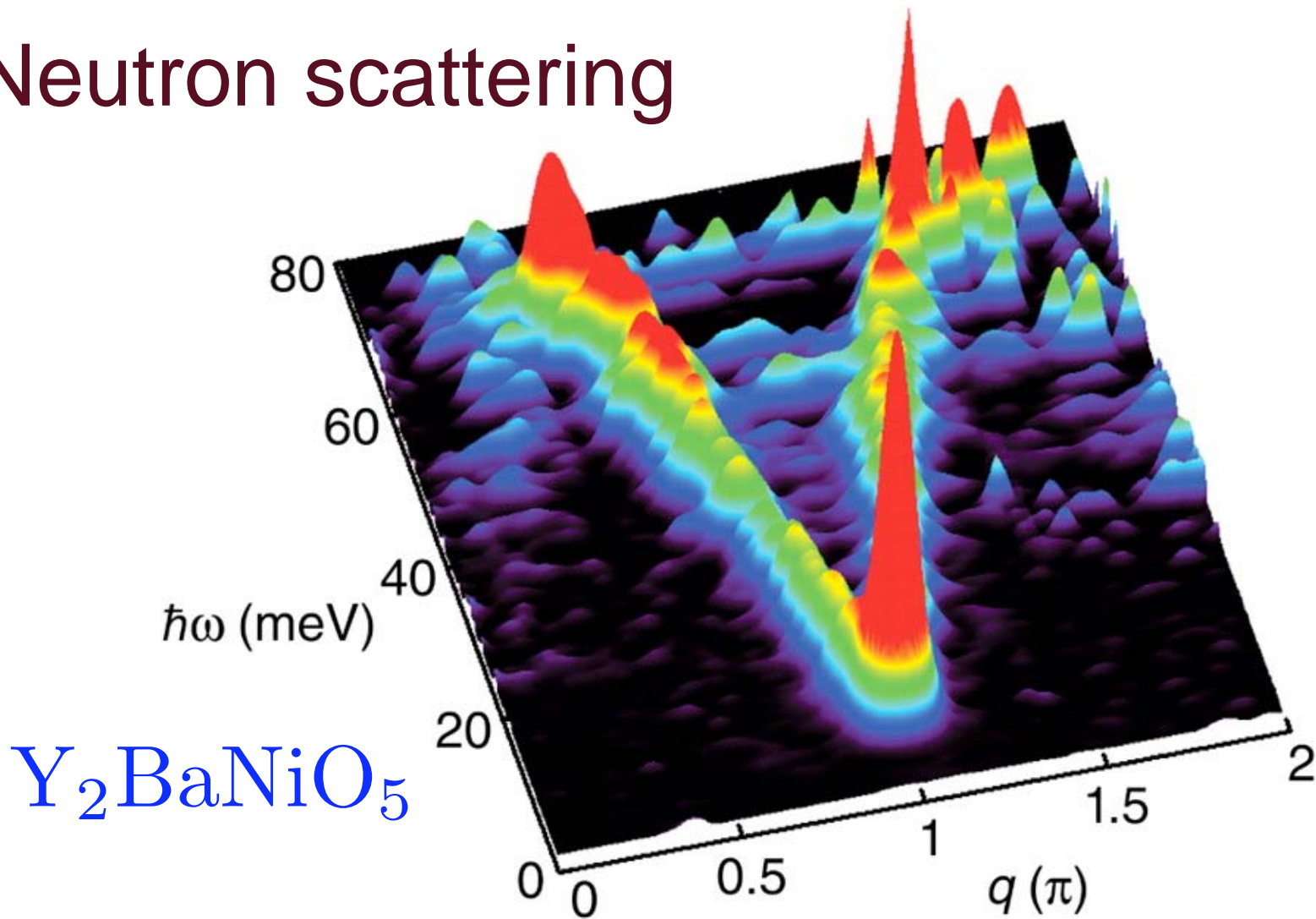




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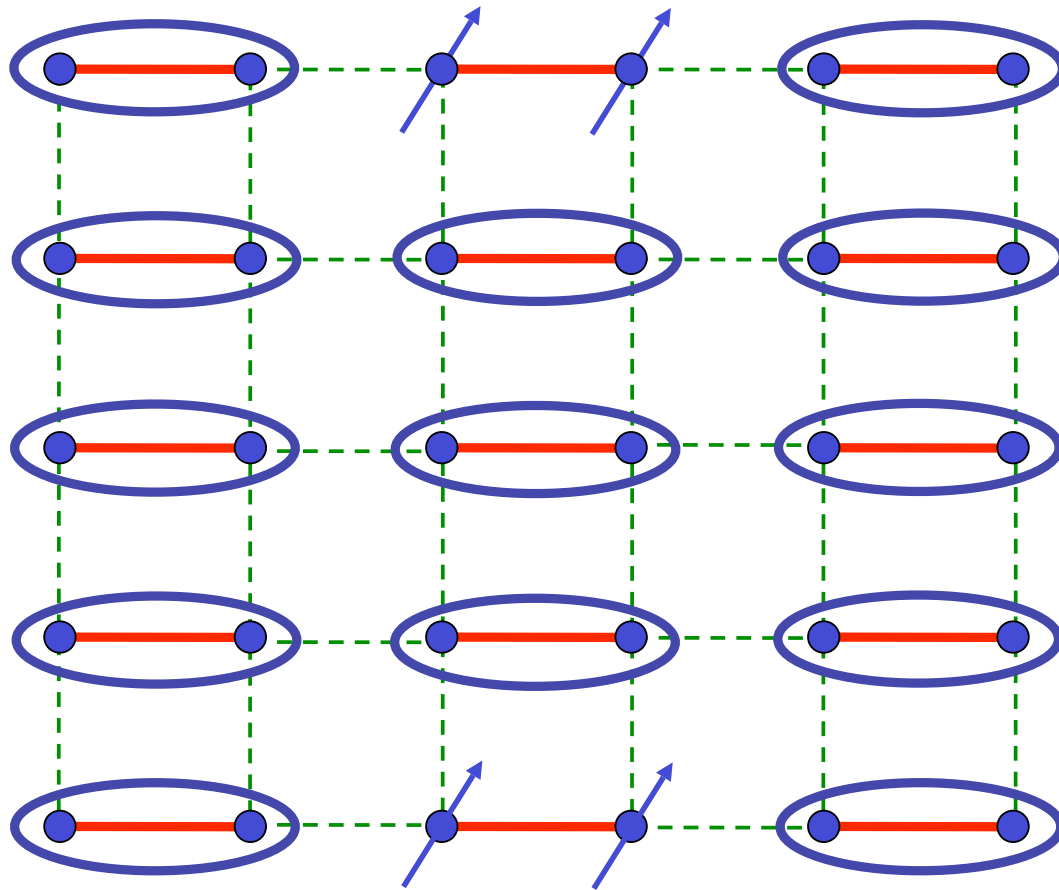
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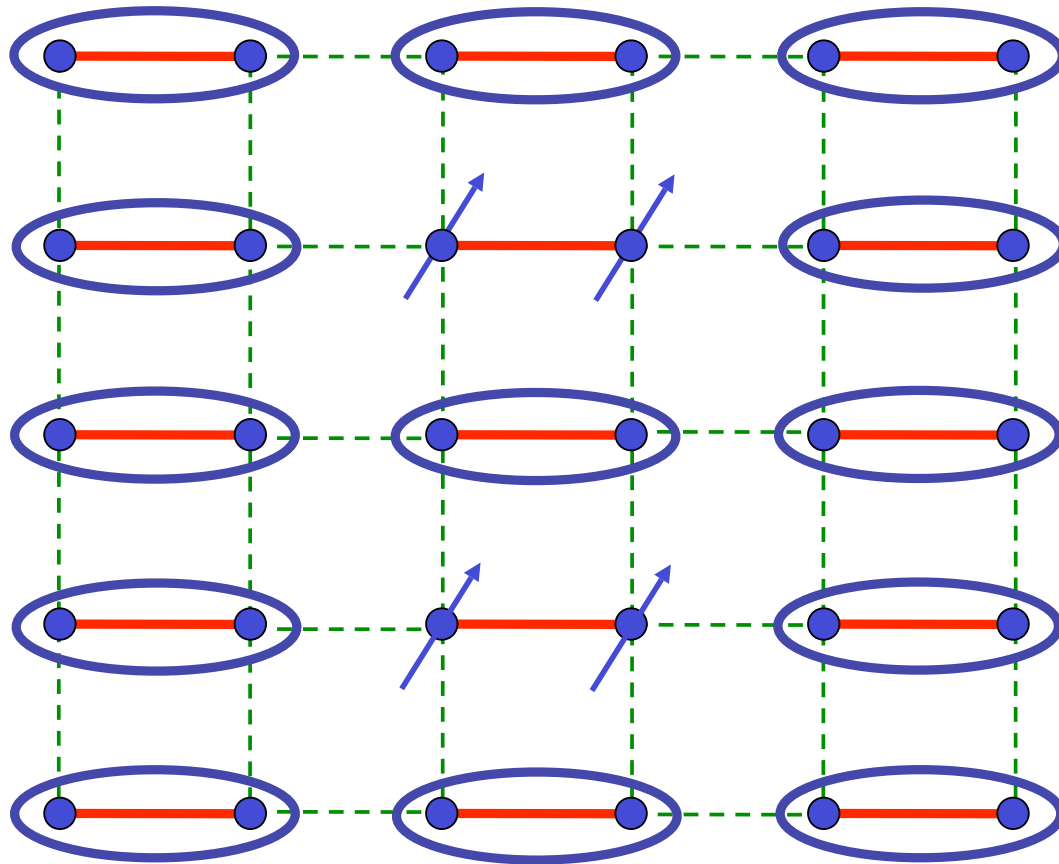
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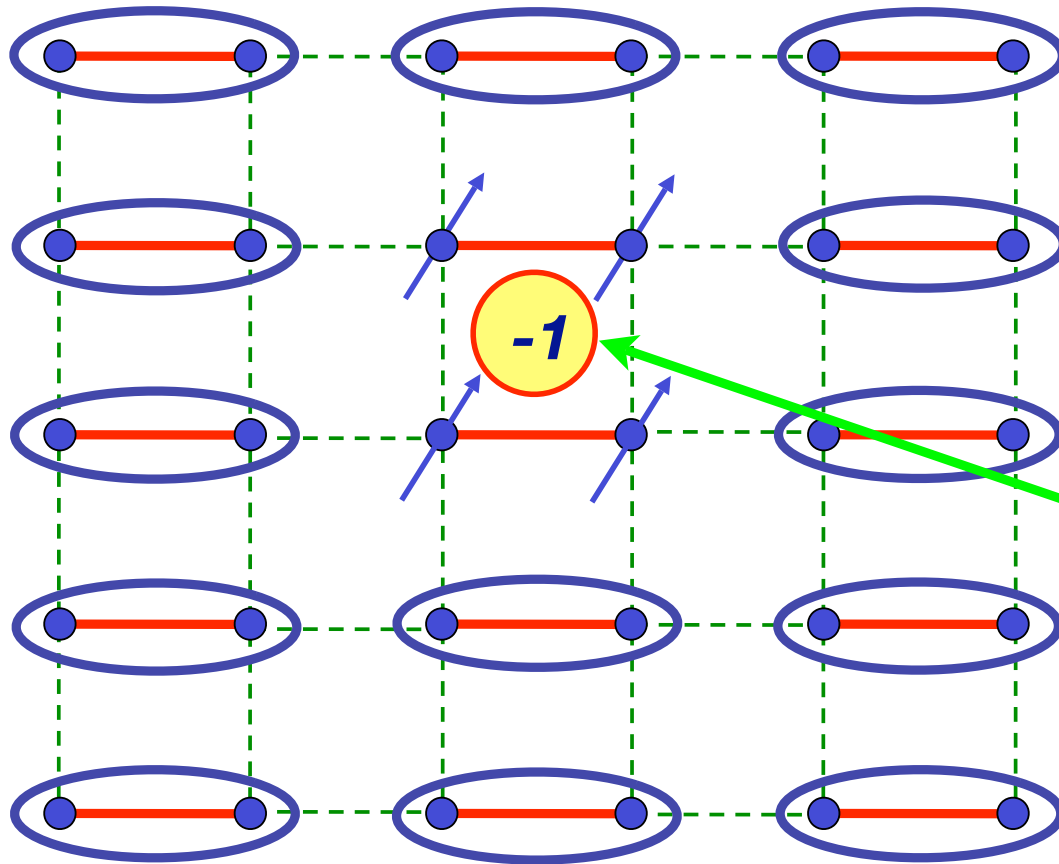

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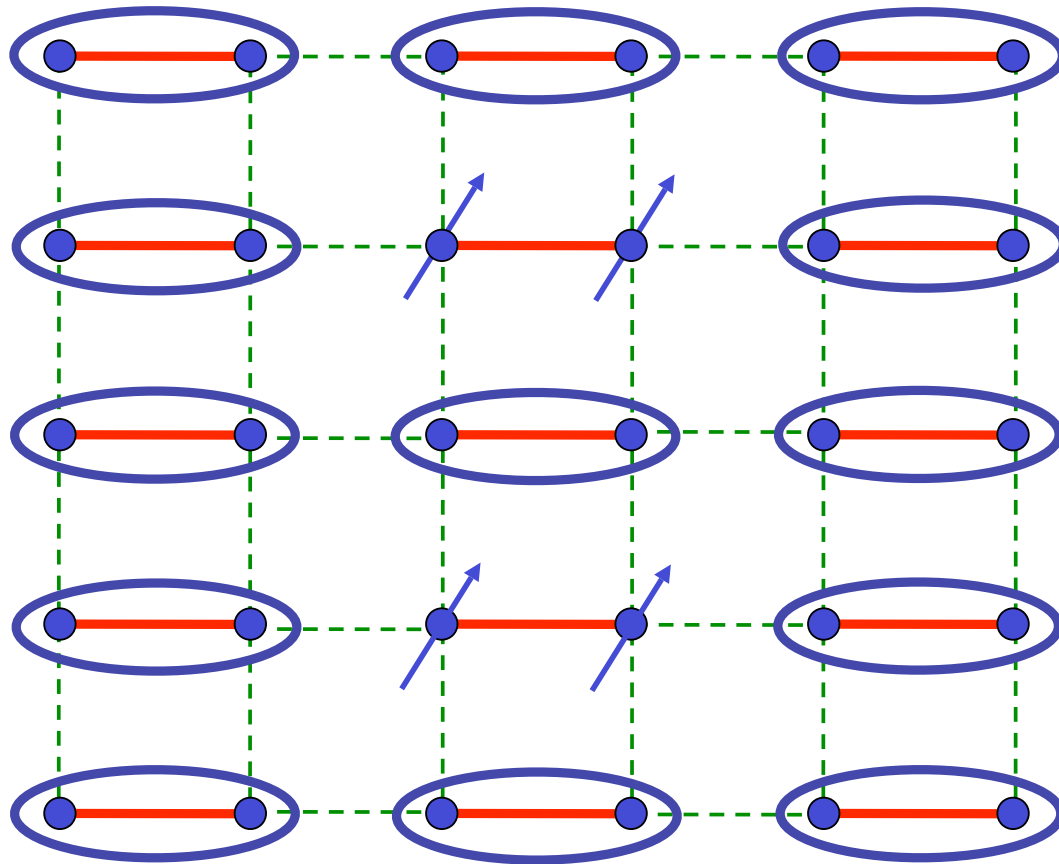
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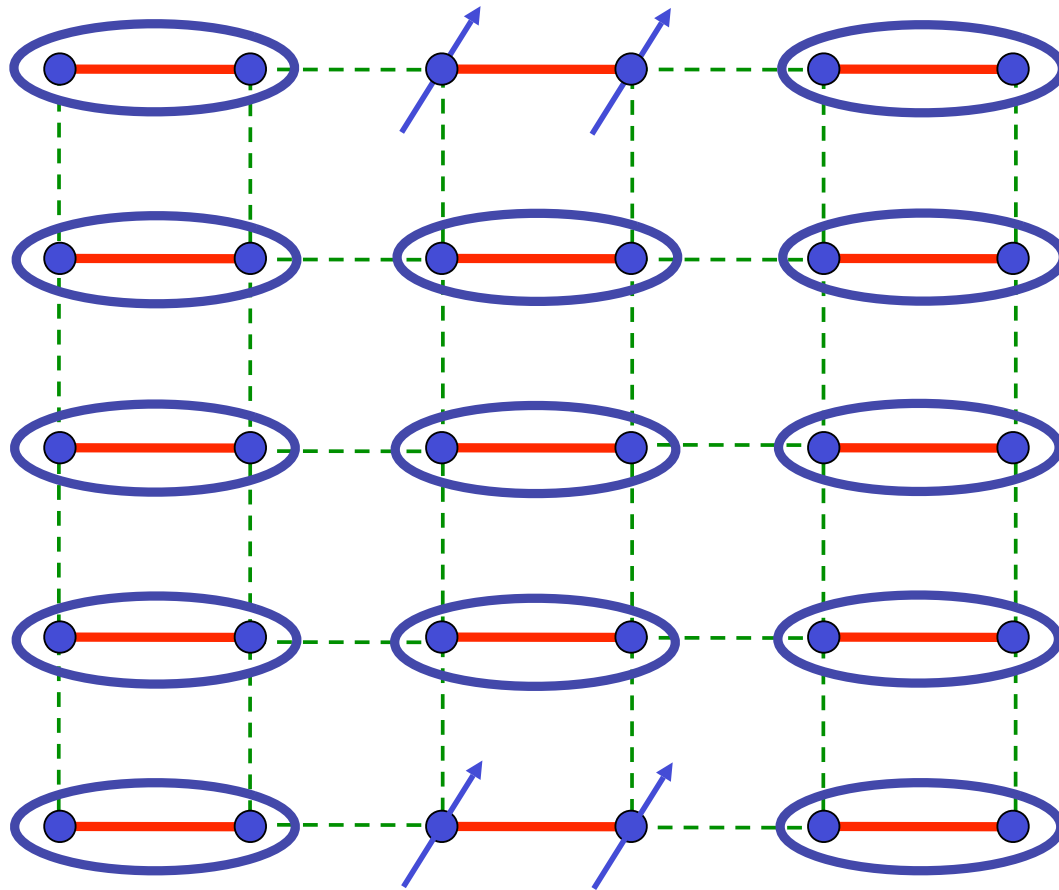
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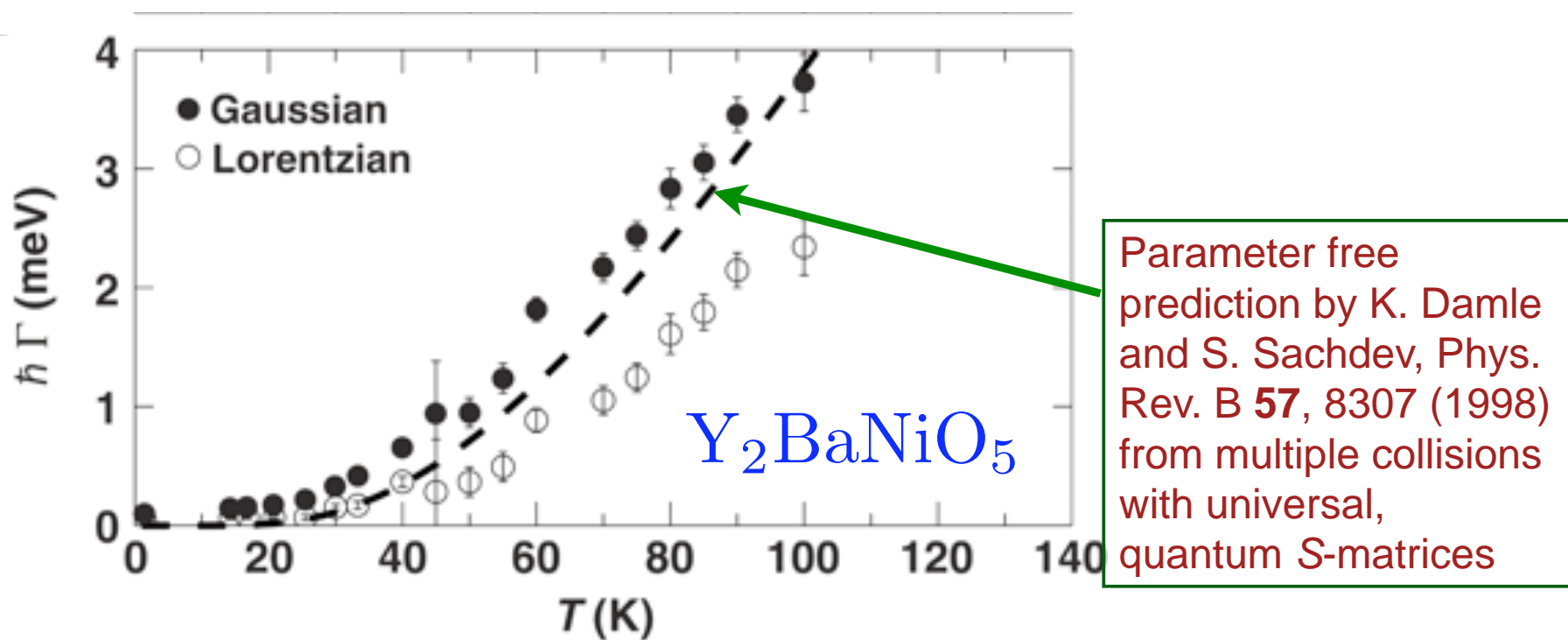

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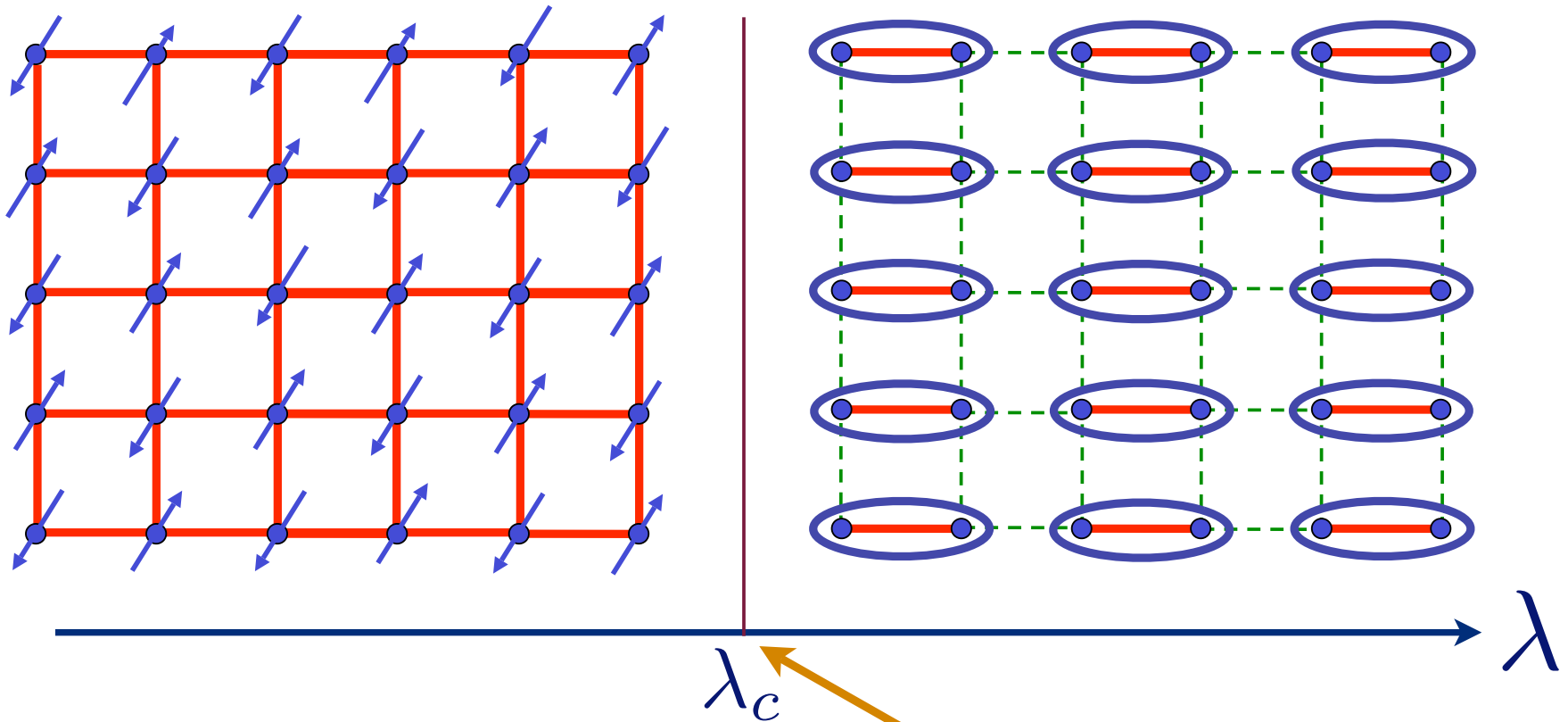
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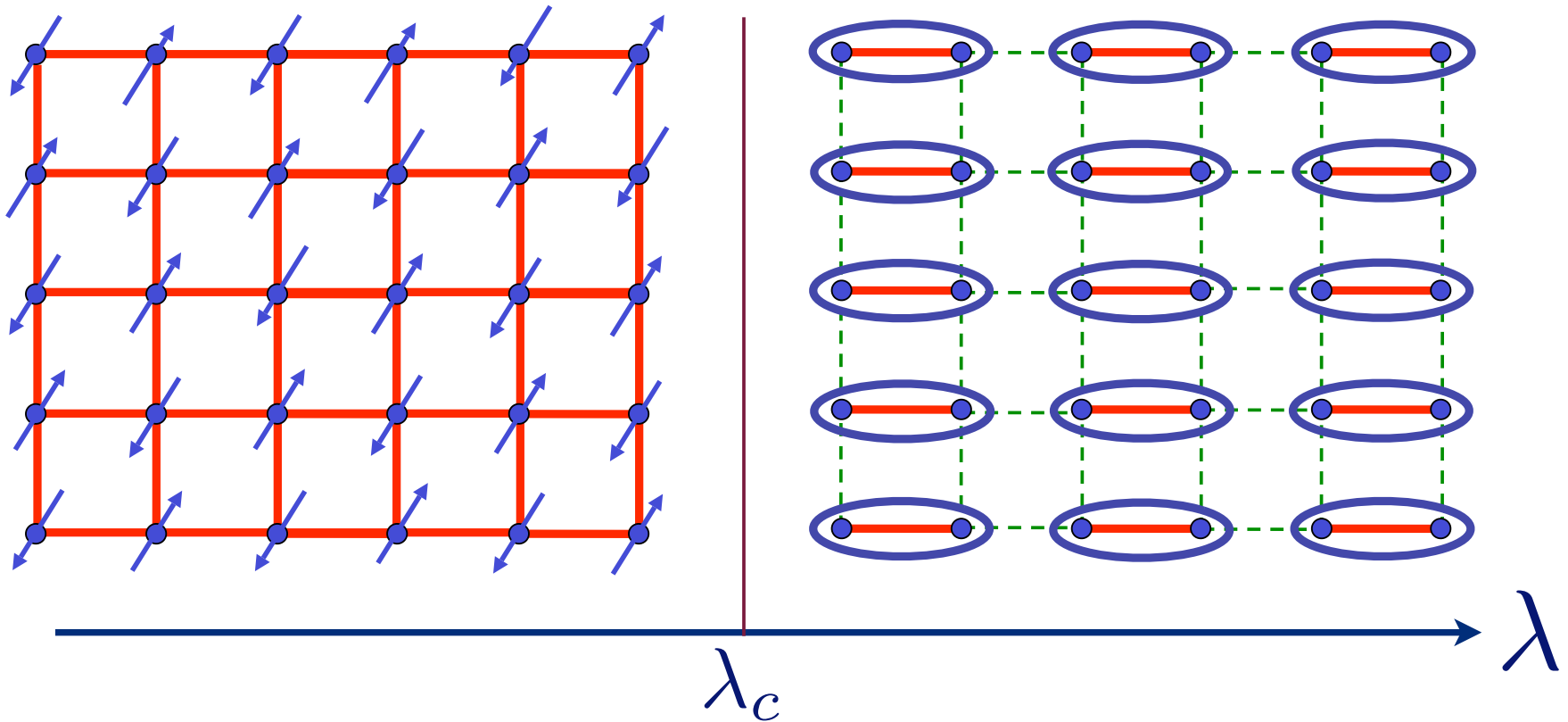


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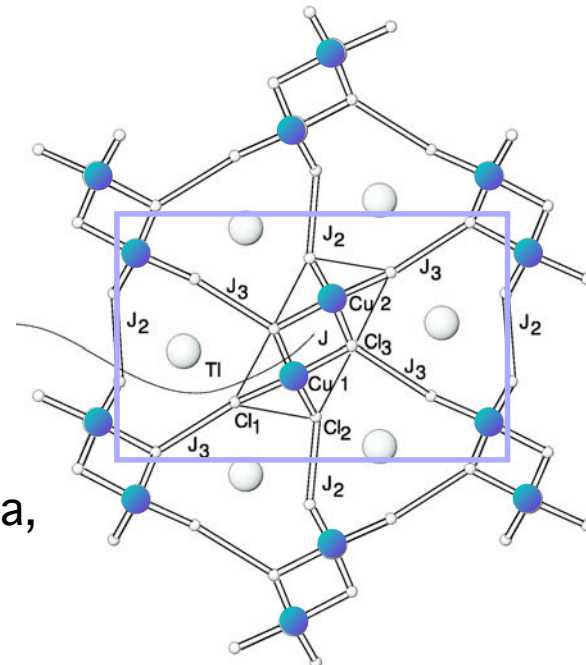
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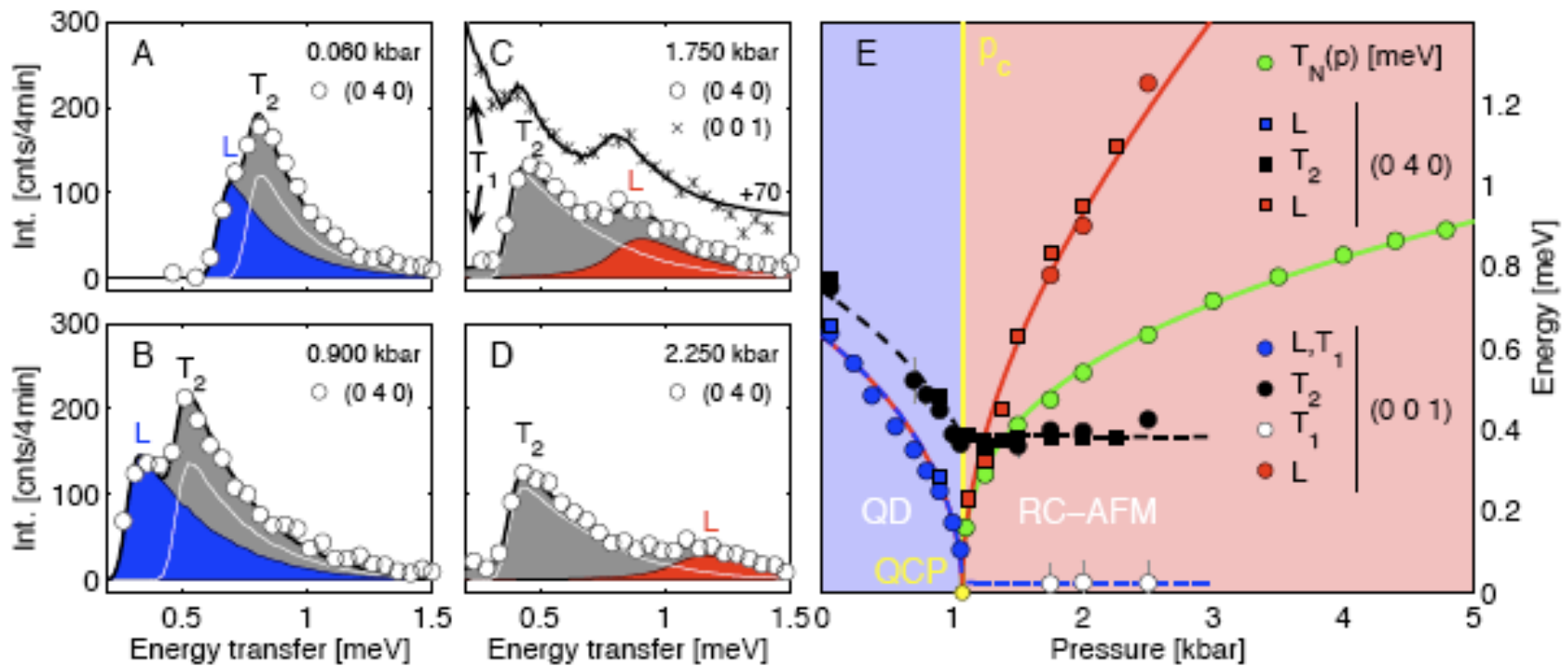
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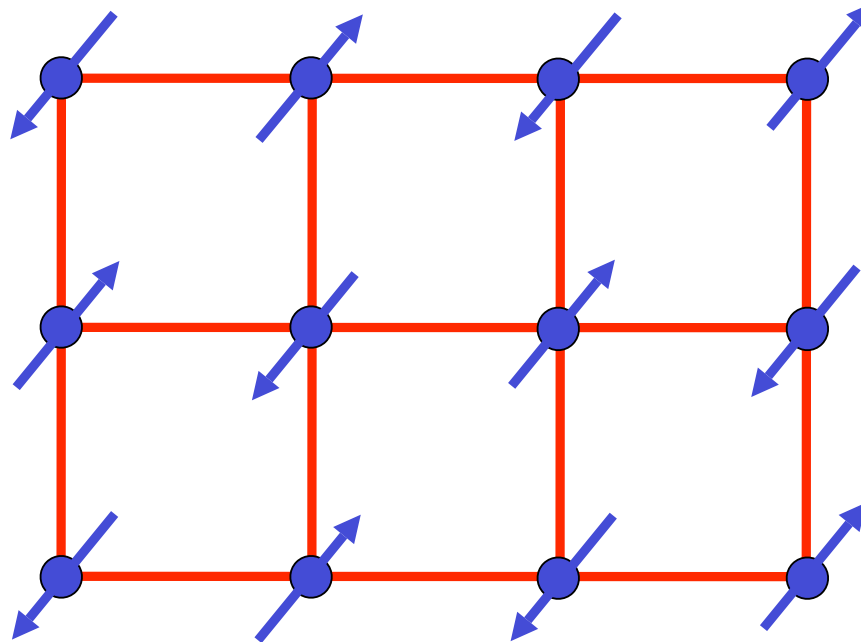


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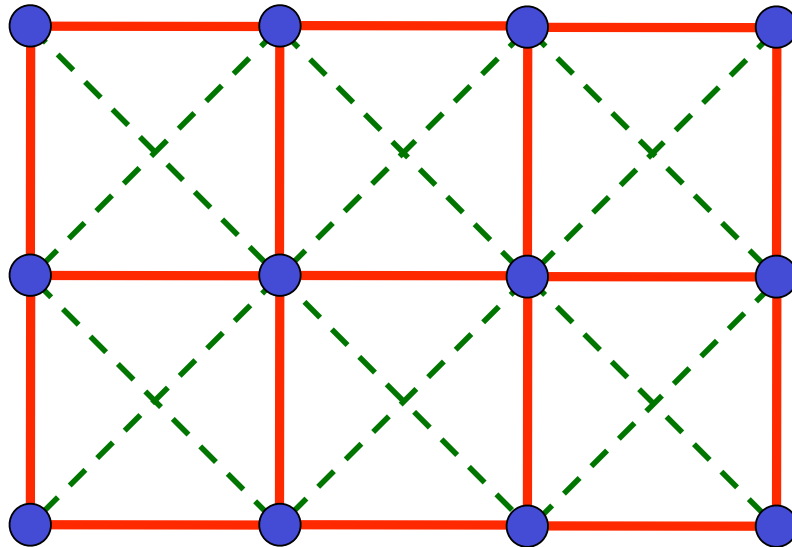
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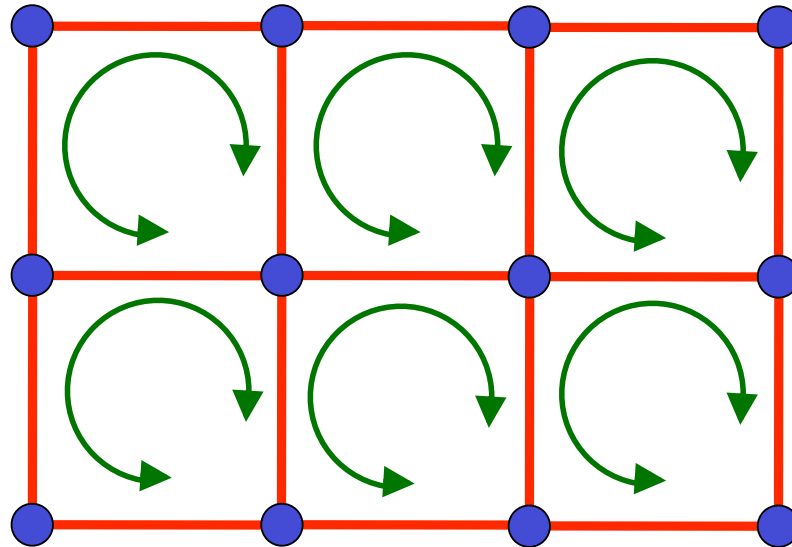


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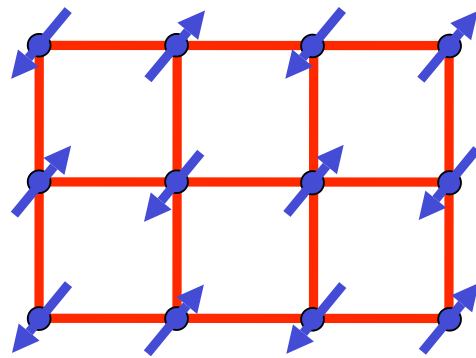
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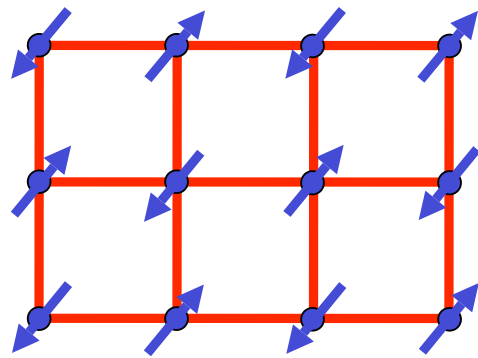


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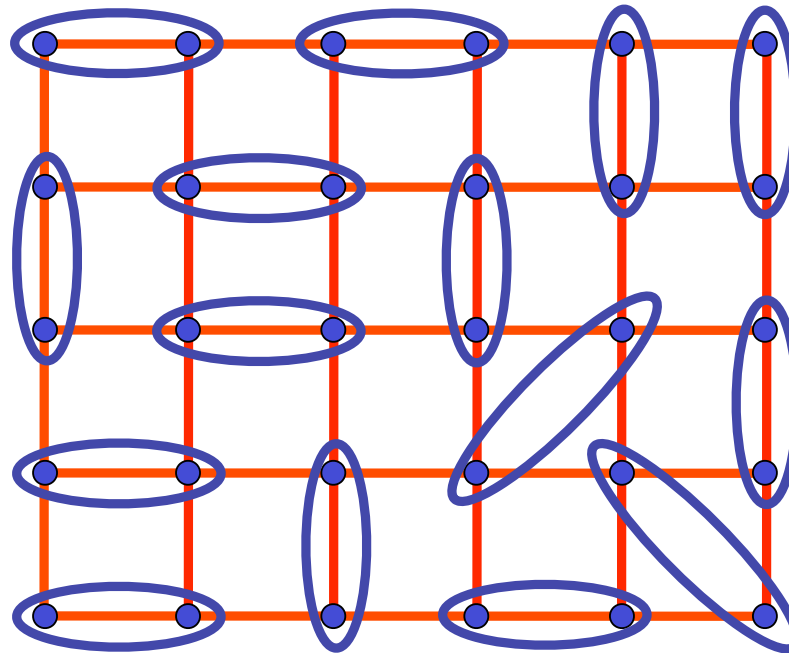
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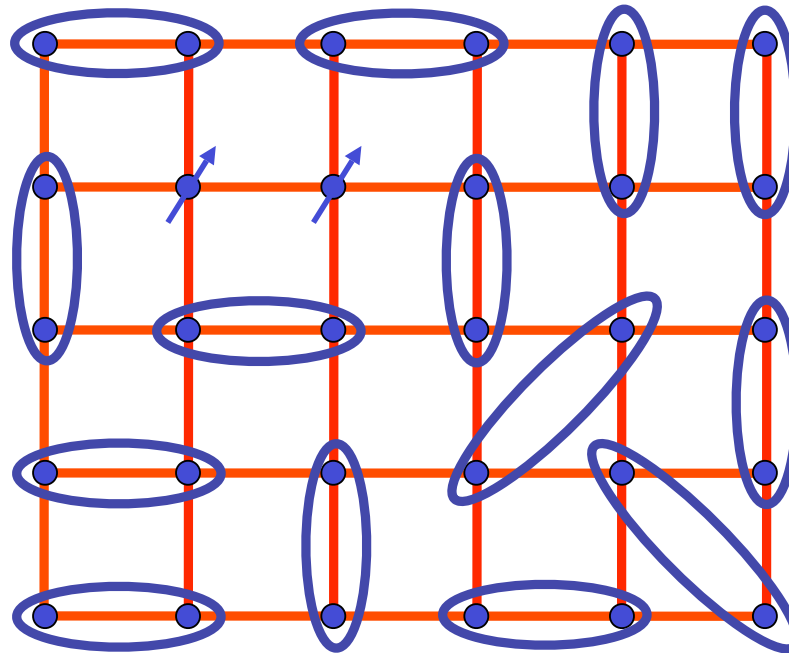
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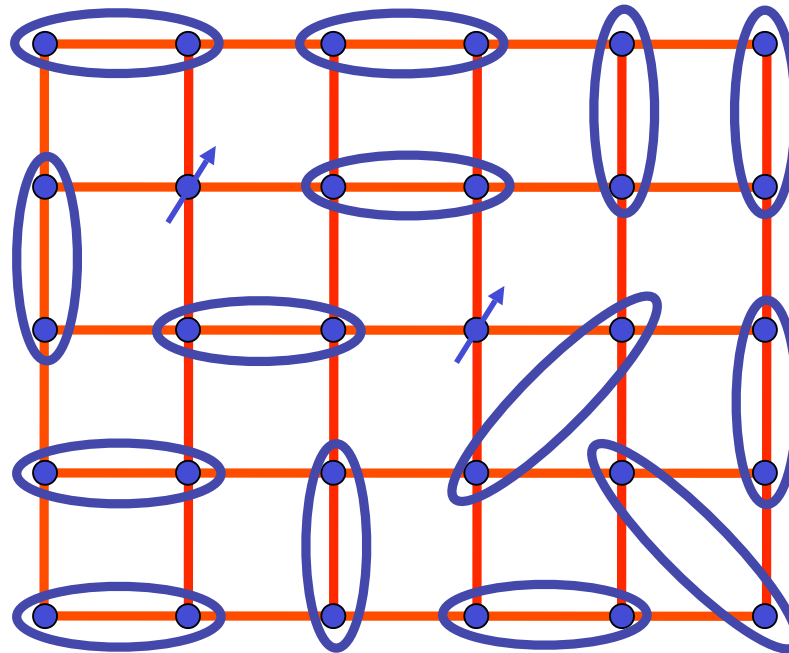
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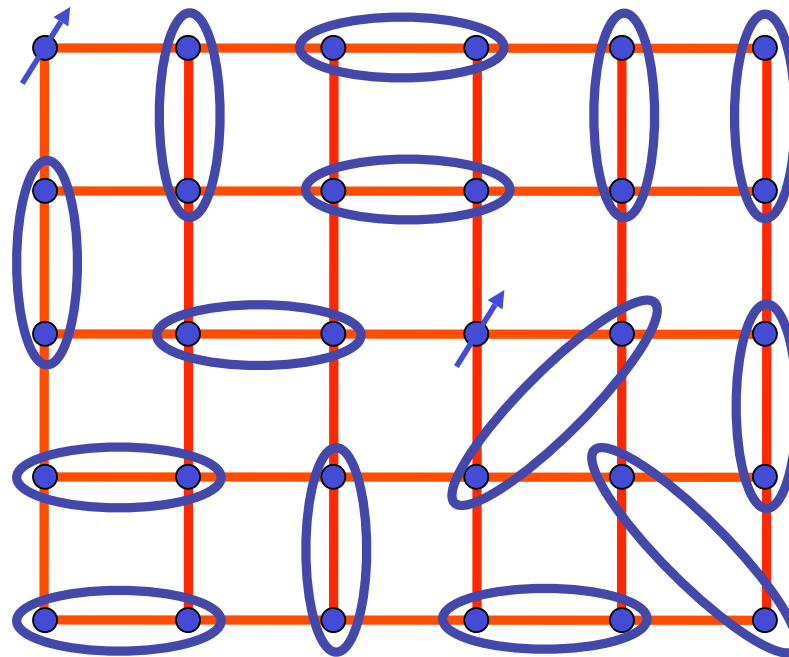
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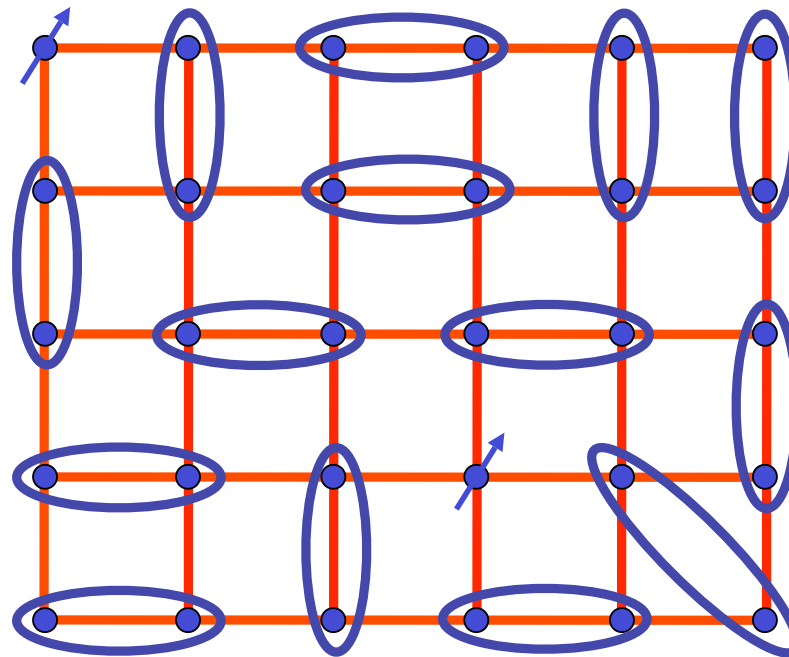
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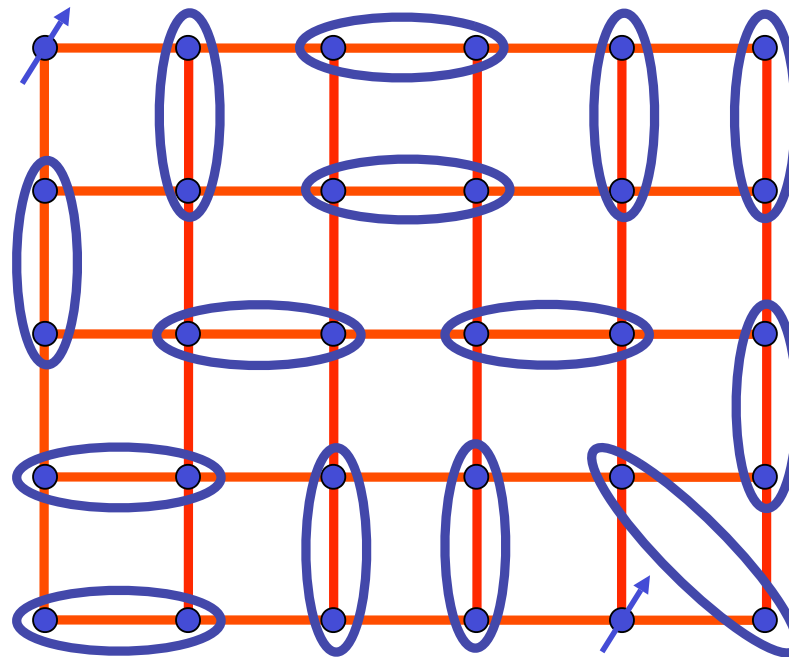
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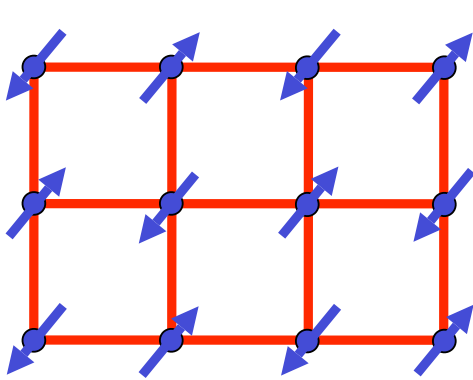
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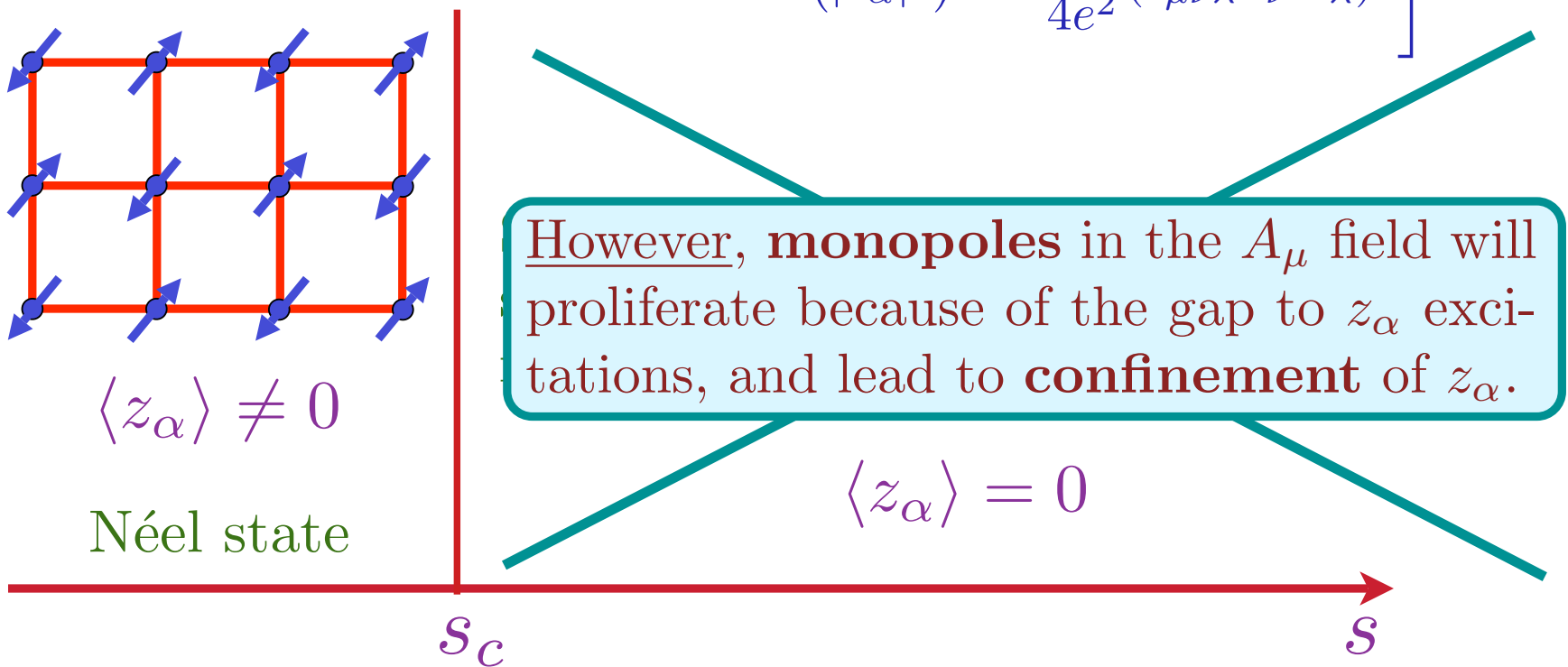
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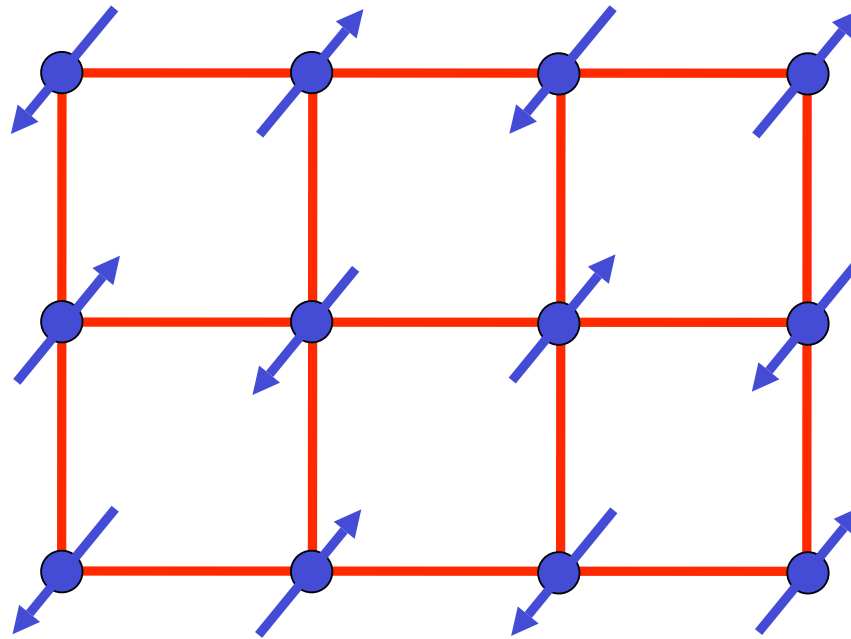
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From this coupling it follows that the states with  $\langle \Phi \rangle \neq 0$  have **coplanar spin correlations**.

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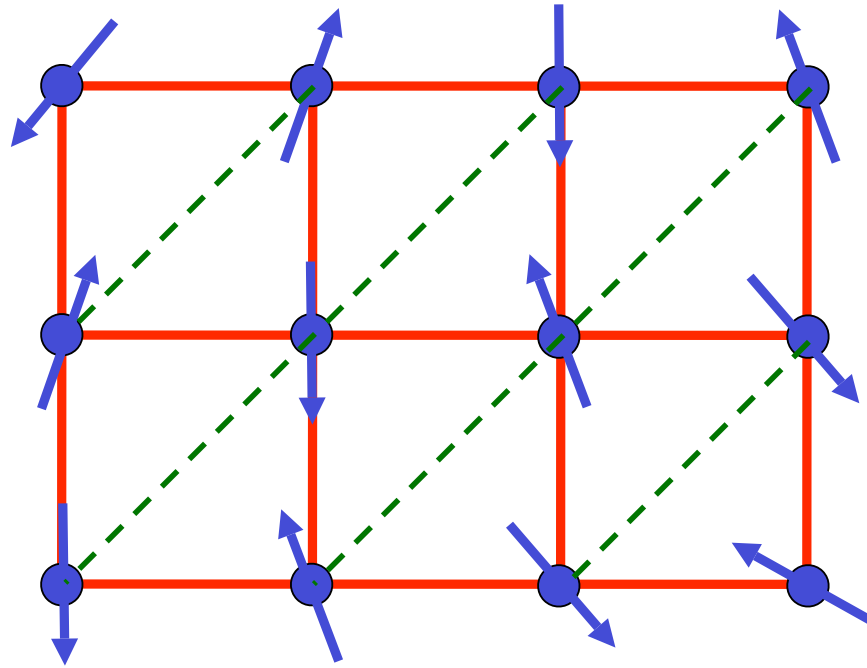


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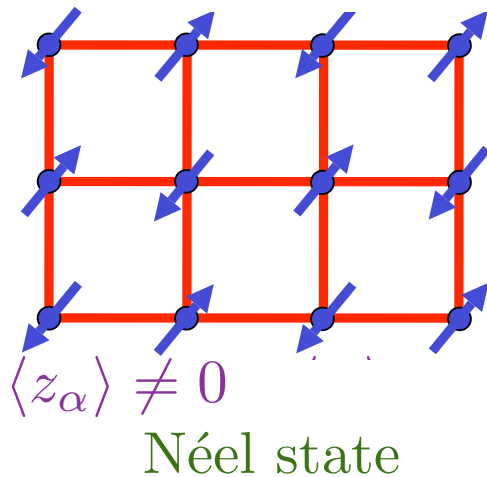
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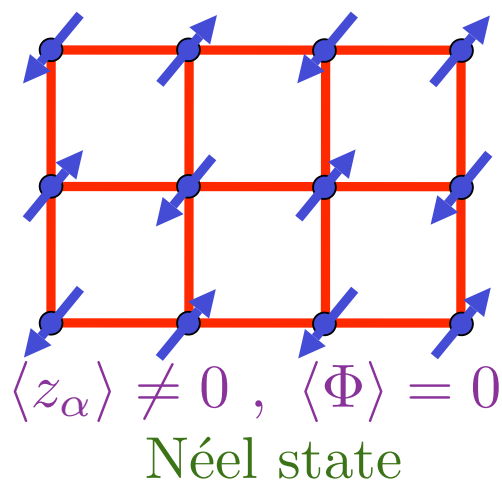
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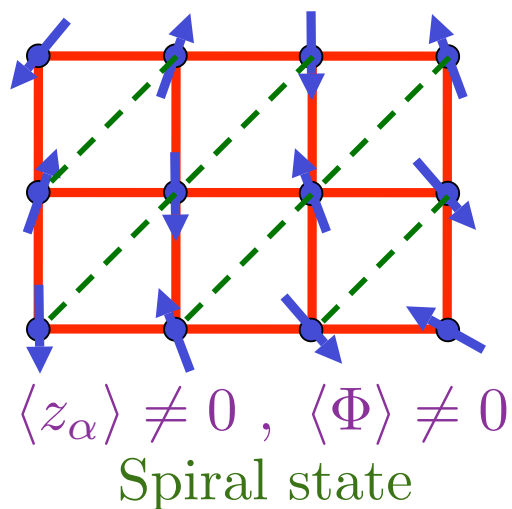


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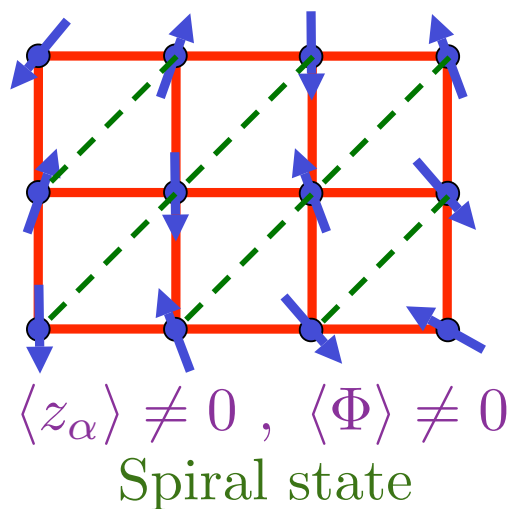
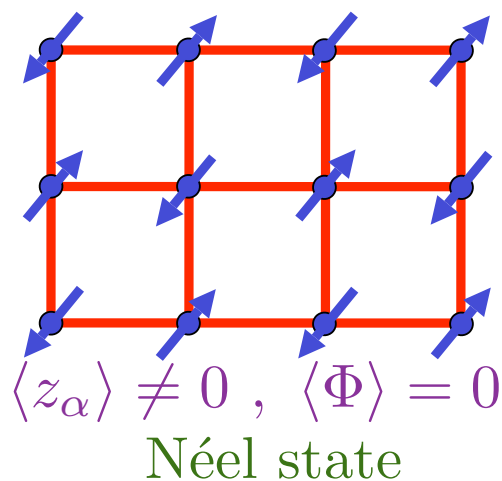
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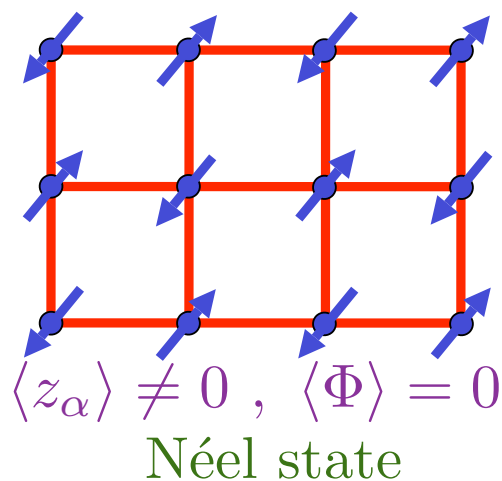
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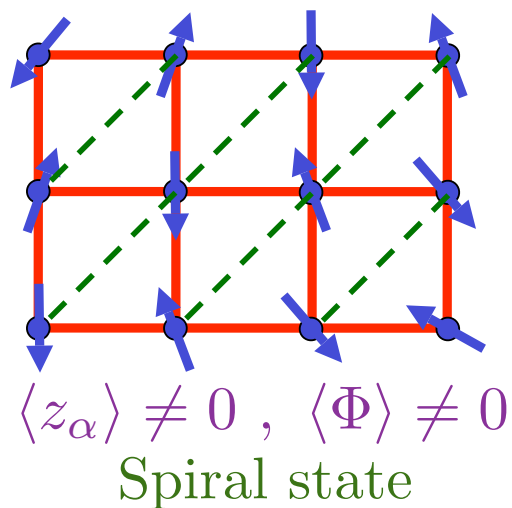


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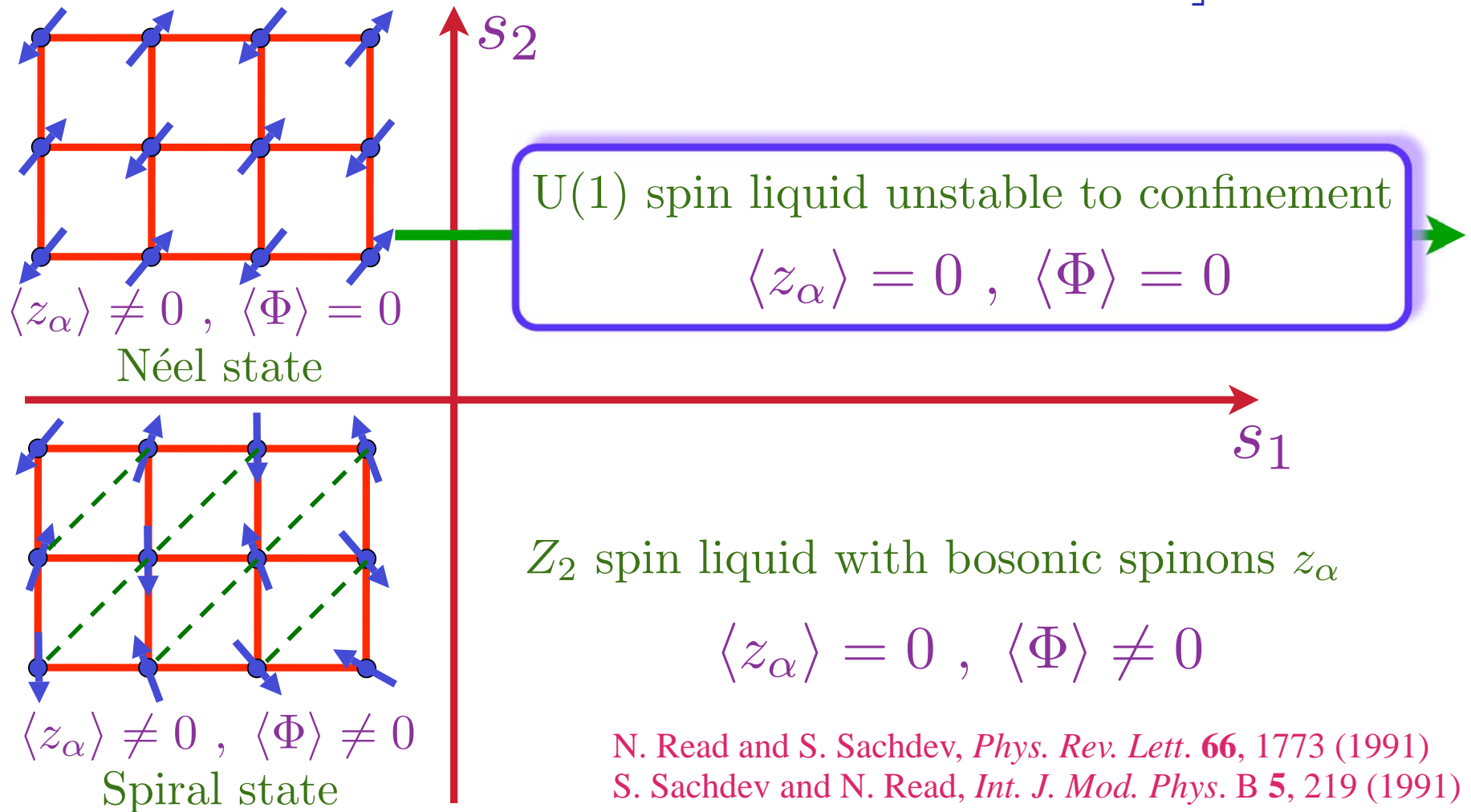
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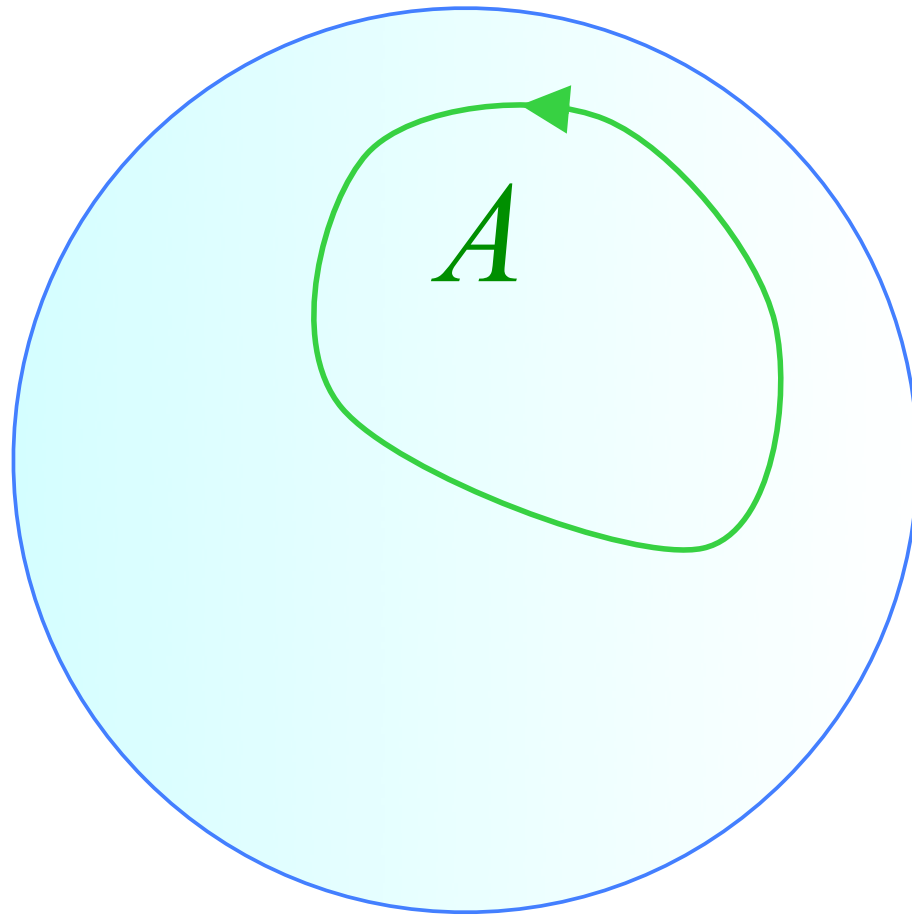
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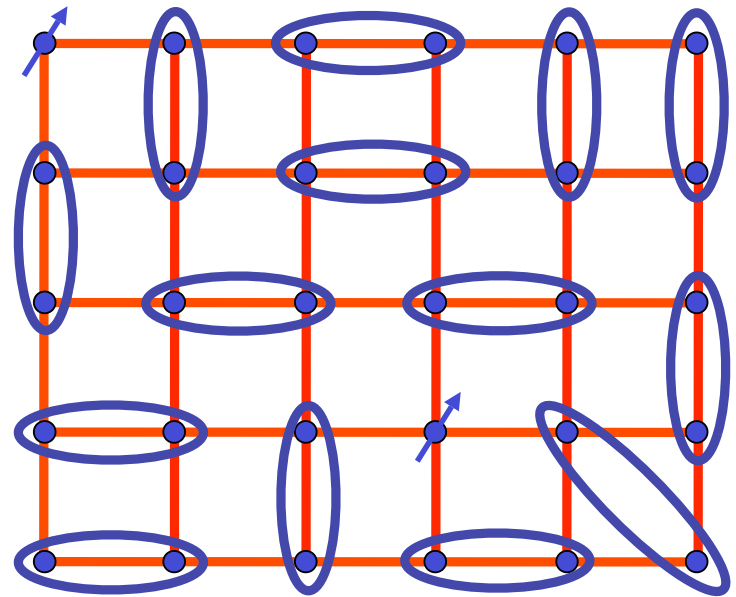
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Large  $g$  effective action for the  $A_{a\mu}$  after integrating  $z_{\alpha\mu}$

$$\mathcal{Z} = \prod_{a,\mu} \int dA_{a\mu} \exp \left( \frac{1}{2e^2} \sum_{\square} \cos (\Delta_{\mu} A_{a\nu} - \Delta_{\nu} A_{a\mu}) + i \sum_a \eta_a A_{a\tau} \right)$$

with  $e^2 \sim g^2$

This is compact QED in 3 spacetime dimensions with static charges  $\pm 1$  on two sublattices.

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## Duality mapping:

The low energy continuum theory is

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Decouple this to

$$\int d^2r d\tau \left[ \frac{e^2}{2} J_\mu^2 + i J_\mu \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} \partial_\nu A_\lambda \right]$$

Integrate over  $A_\mu$  to obtain constraint  $\epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} \partial_\nu J_\lambda = 0$ . Solve this constraint by  $J_\mu = \partial_\mu \chi$  to obtain the **dual theory**

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This theory has a global shift symmetry  $\chi \rightarrow \chi + \text{constant}$ . This symmetry is spontaneously broken, and the massless  $\chi$  particle (*i.e.* the photon) is the Goldstone boson of this shift symmetry.

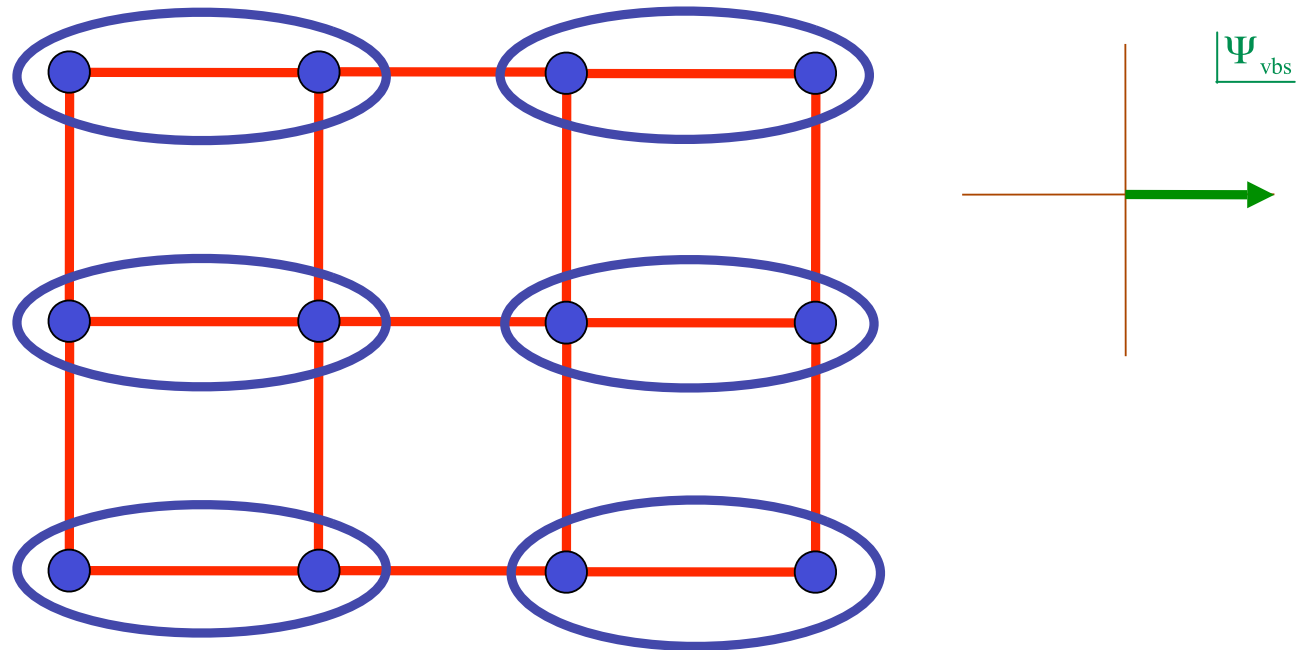
## Consequences of Berry phases:

- The continuous shift symmetry is an enlargement of the  $Z_4$  spatial rotation symmetry of the square lattice. So this spatial rotation symmetry is spontaneously broken in the free photon phase.
- The monopole operator

$$V = \exp\left(i\frac{2\pi\chi}{e_0^2}\right)$$

is equivalent to the valence bond solid (VBS) operator  $\Psi_{\text{vbs}}$ , and  $\langle V \rangle \sim \langle \Psi_{\text{vbs}} \rangle \neq 0$

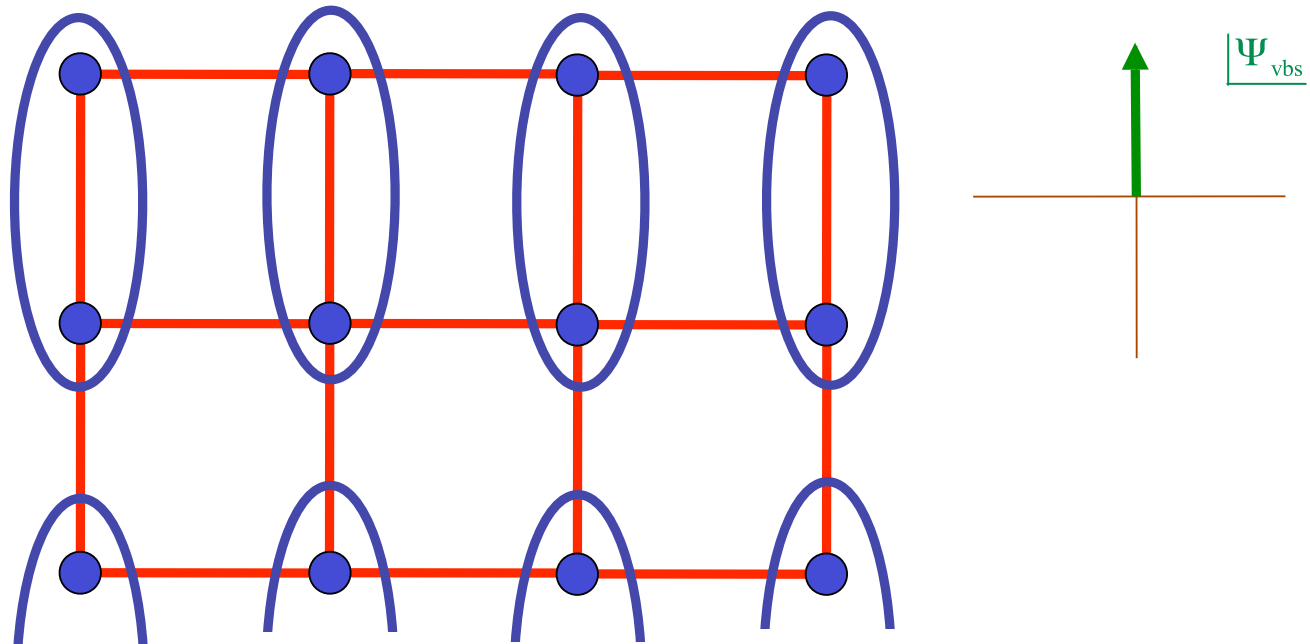
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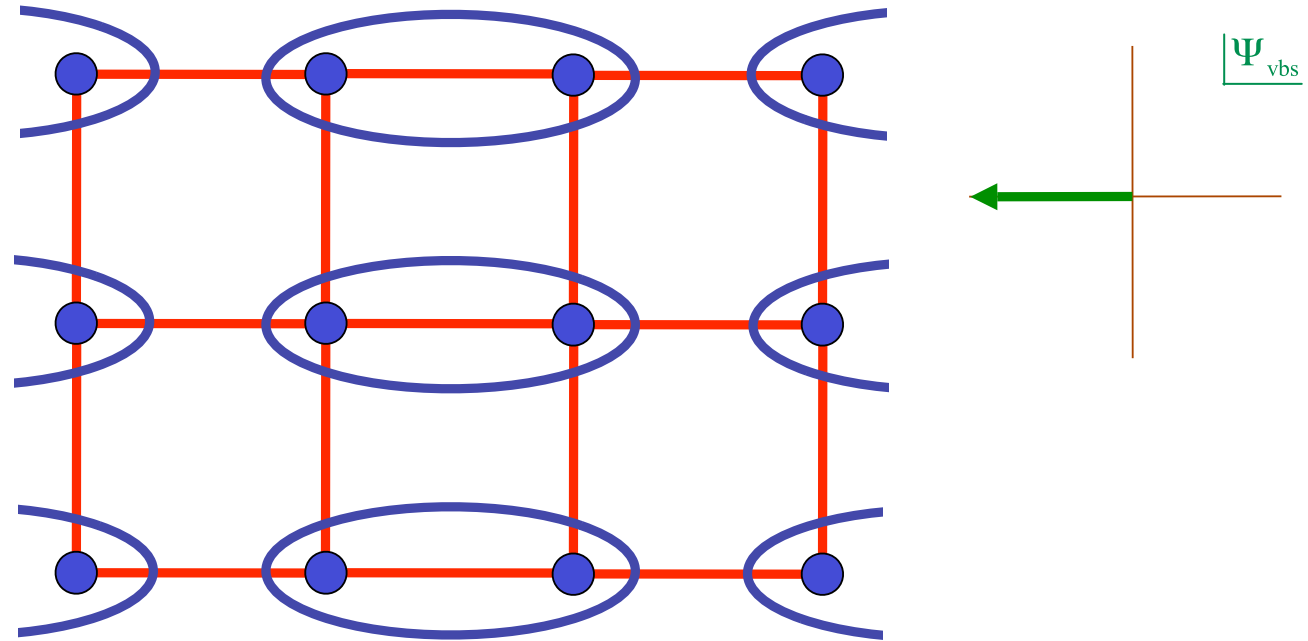
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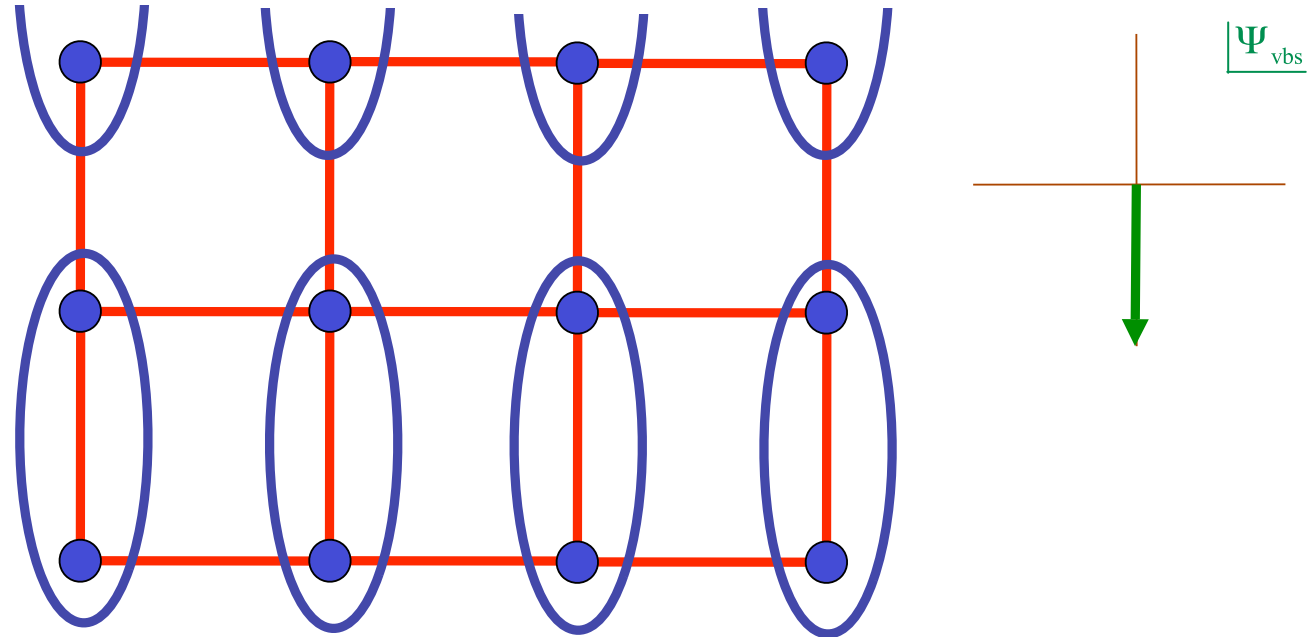
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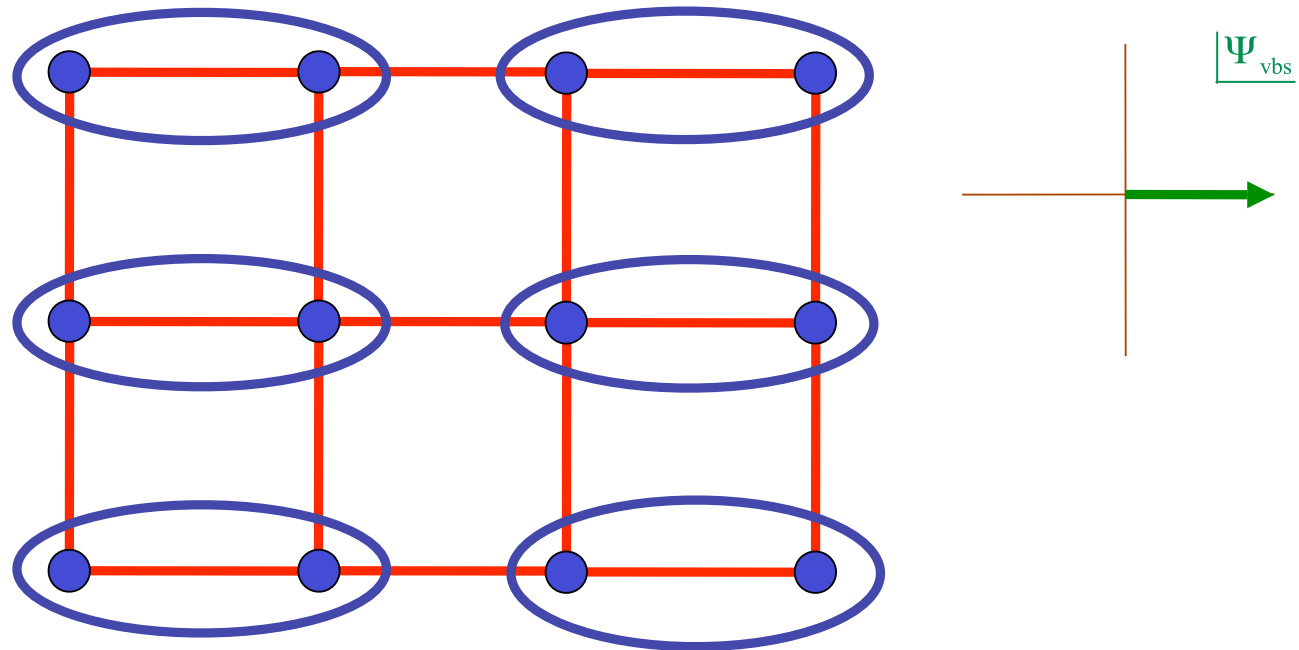
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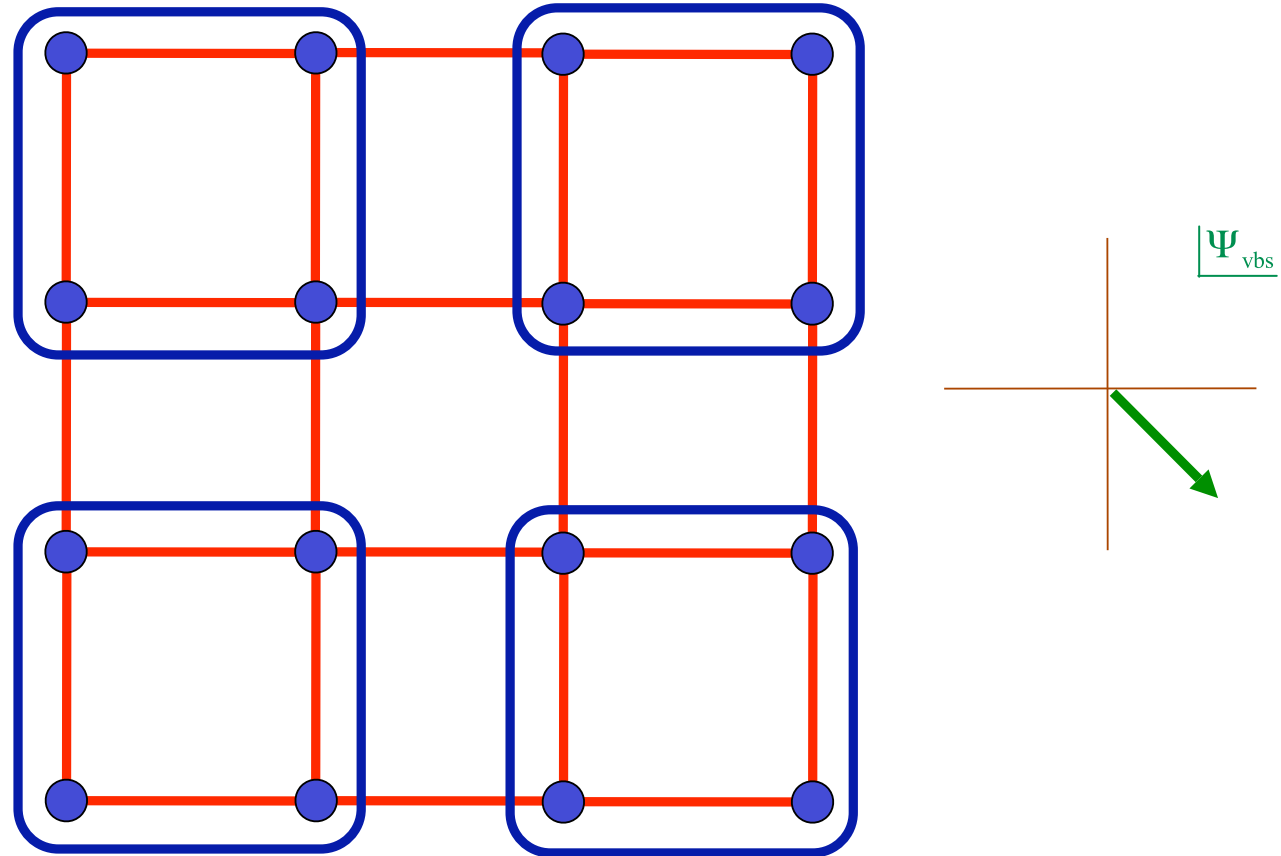
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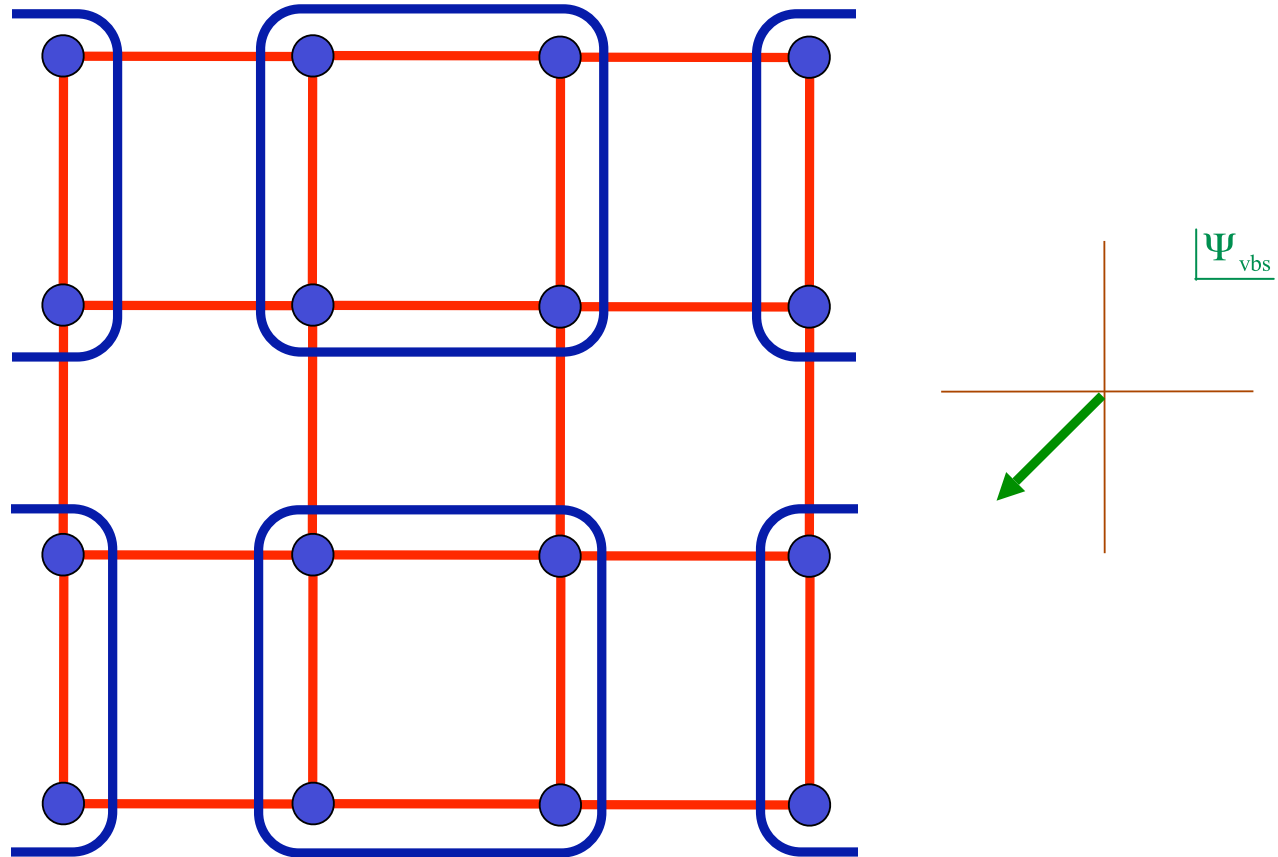


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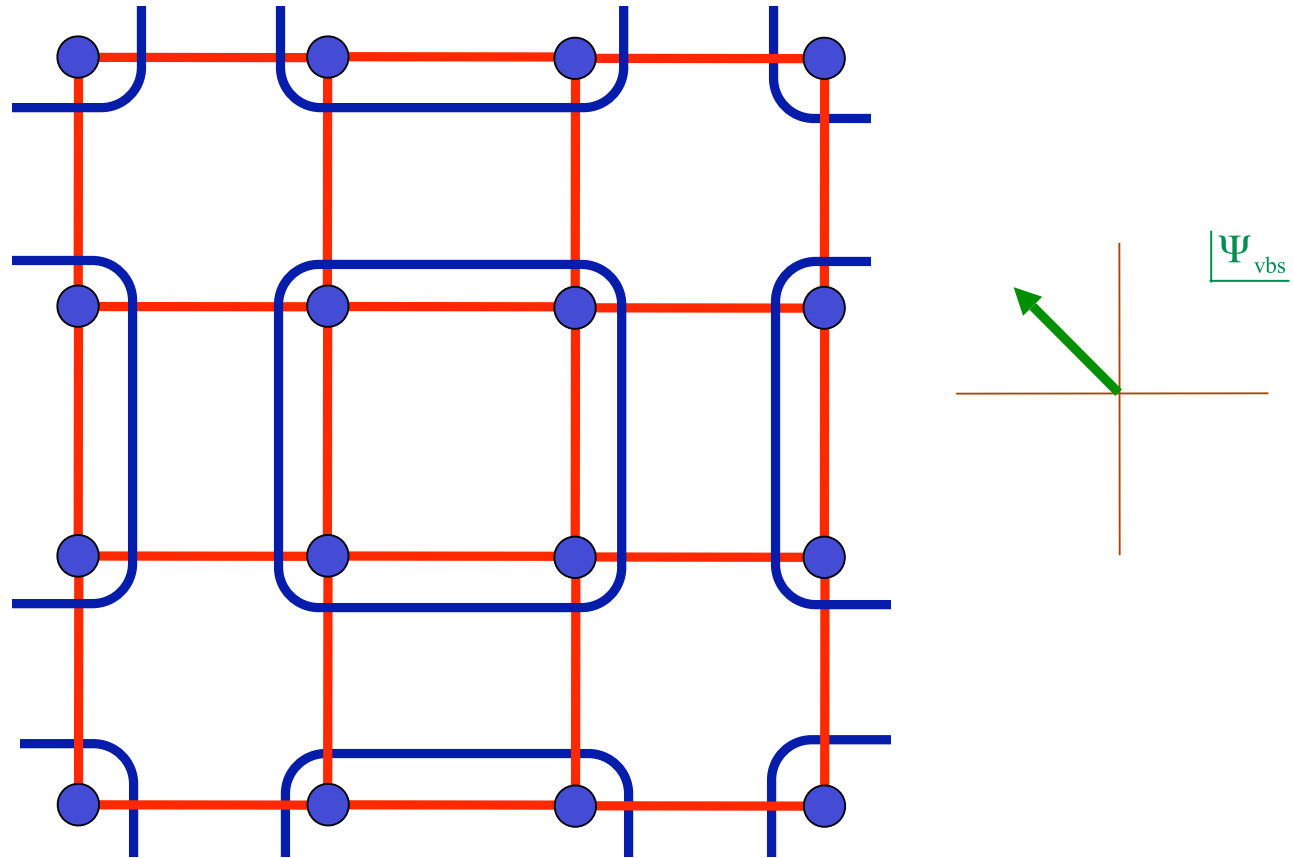
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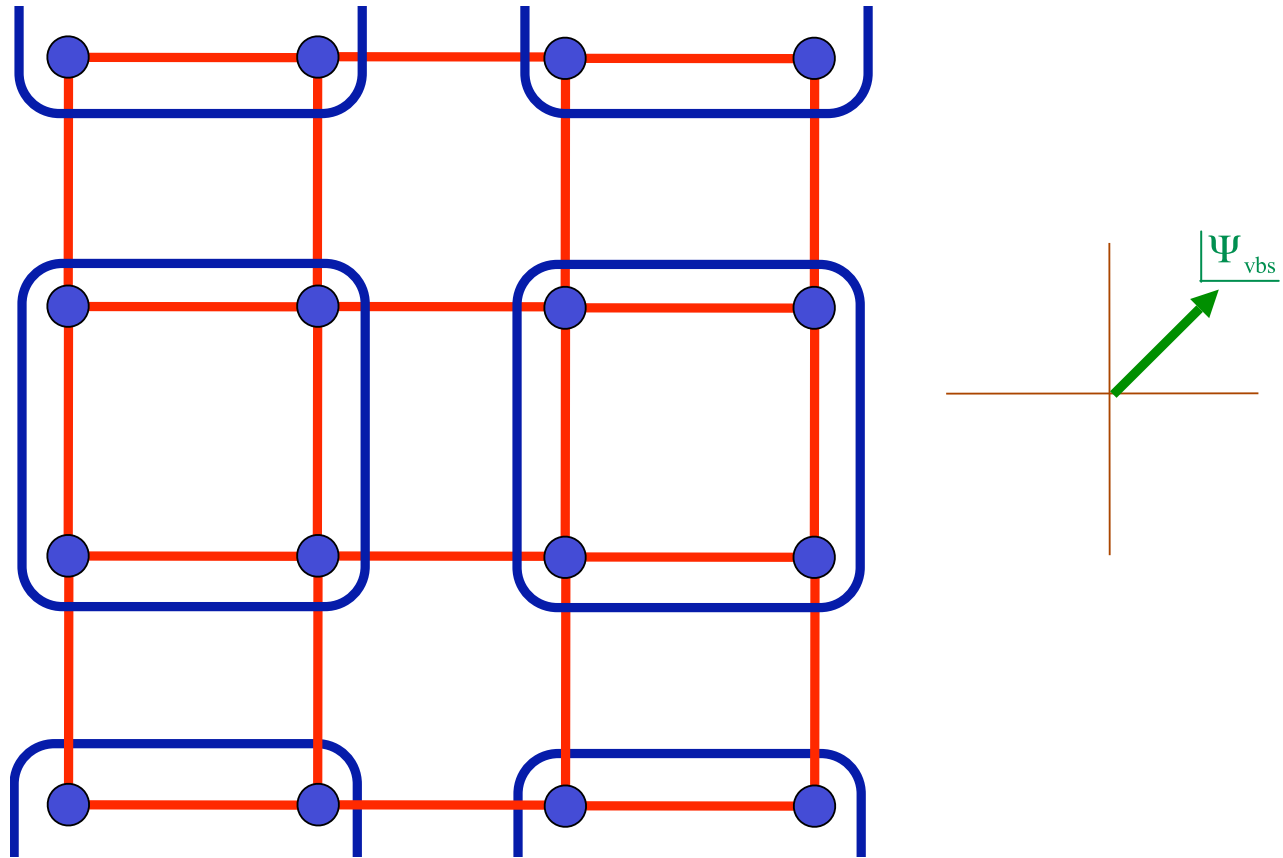
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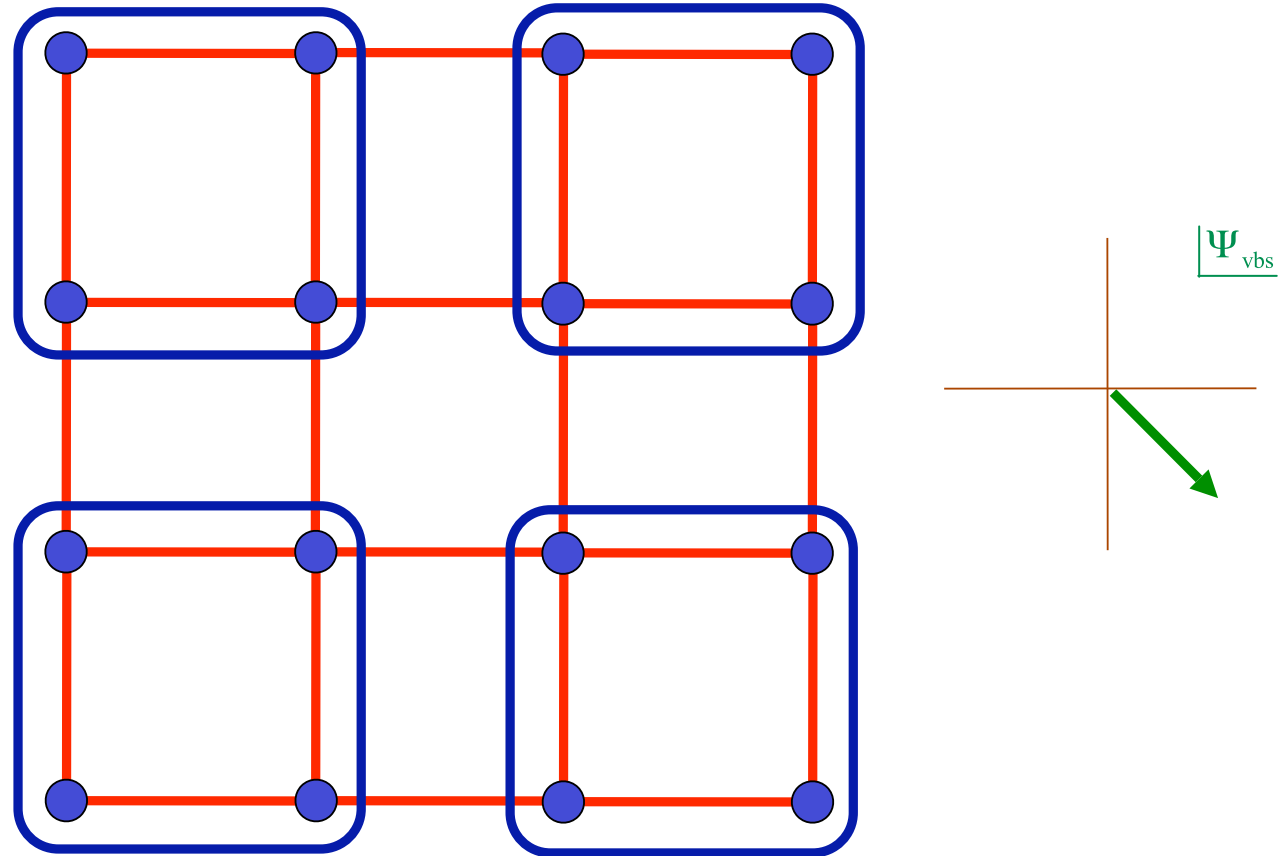
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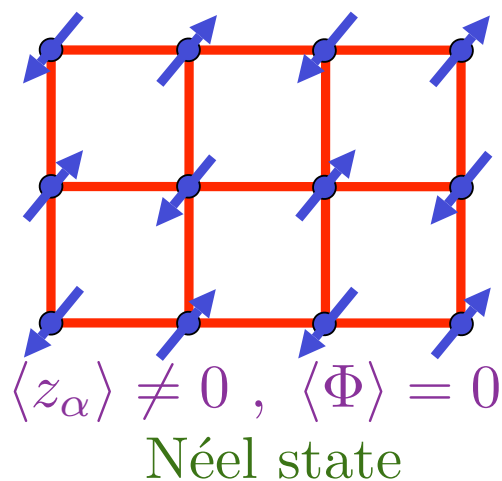


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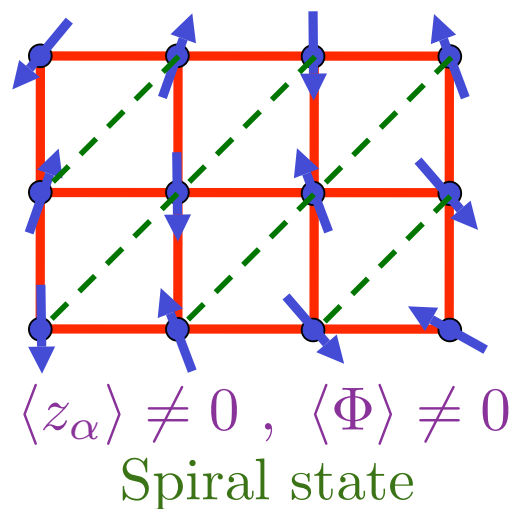
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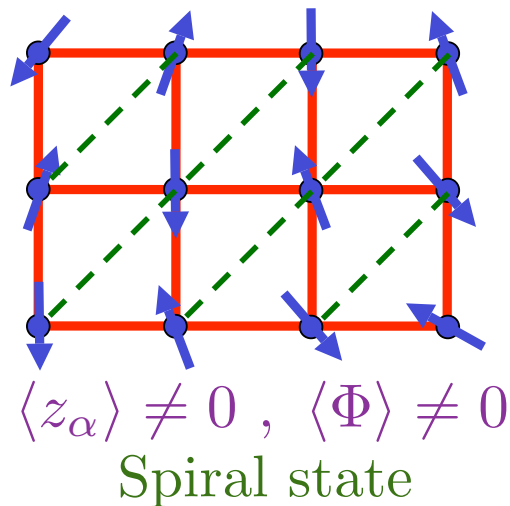
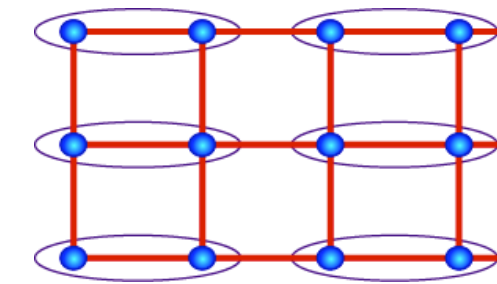
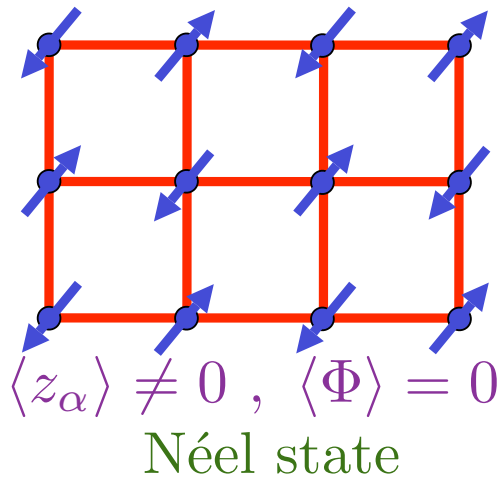
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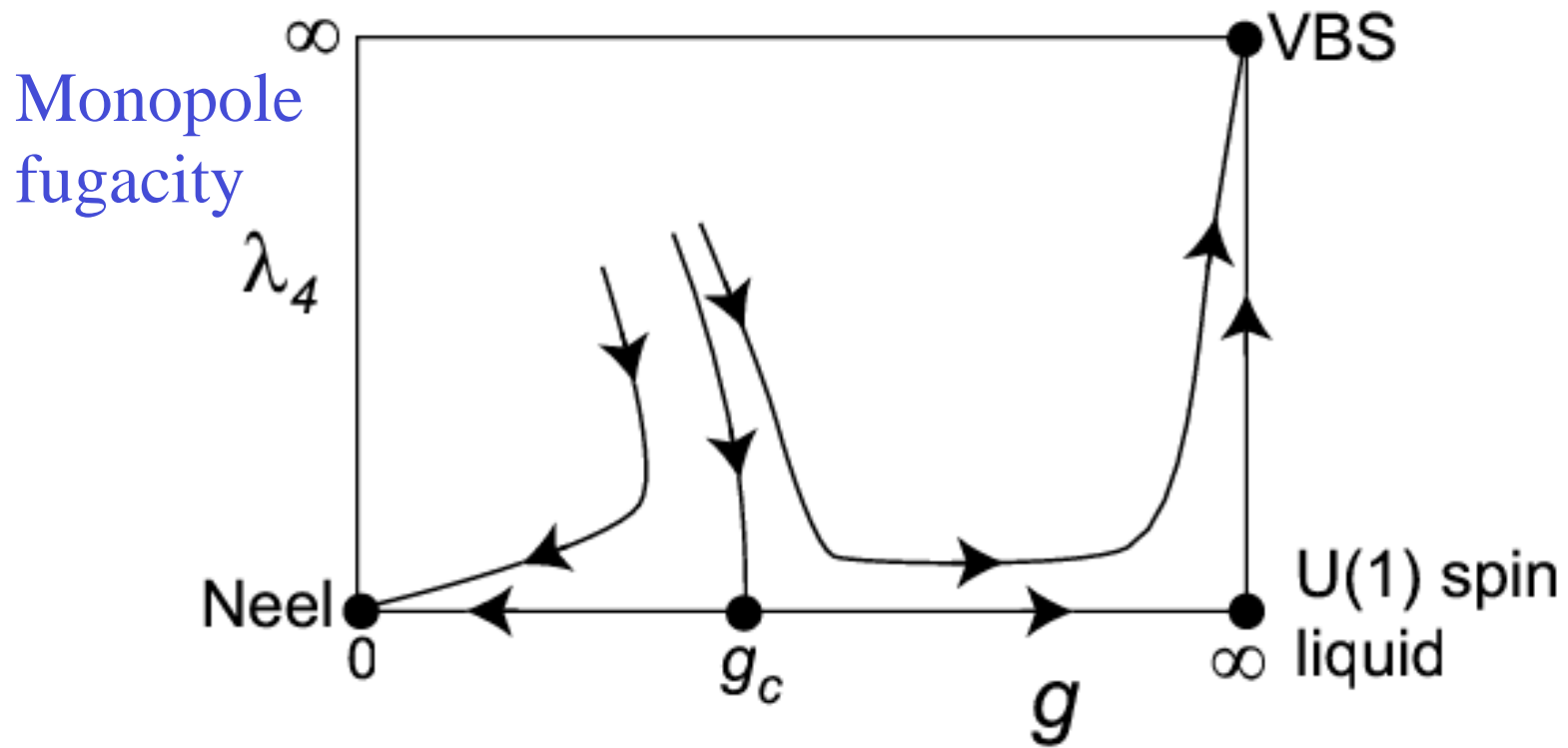
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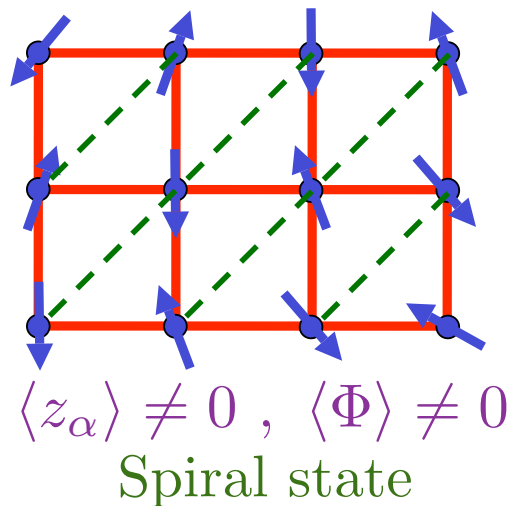
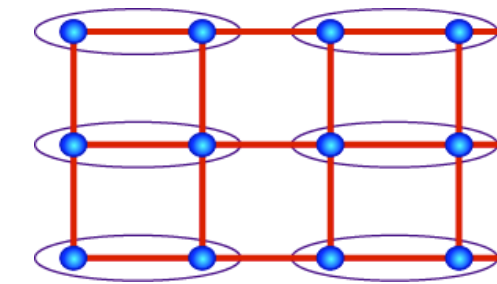
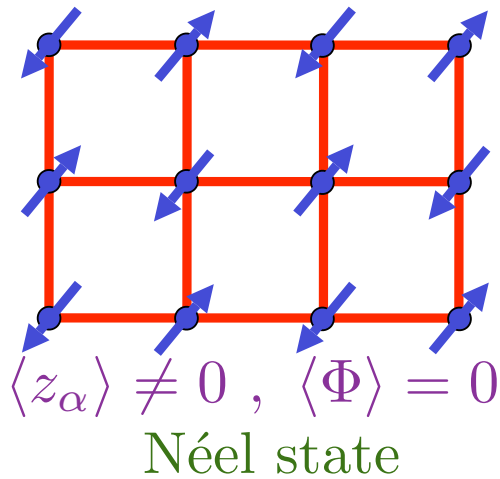
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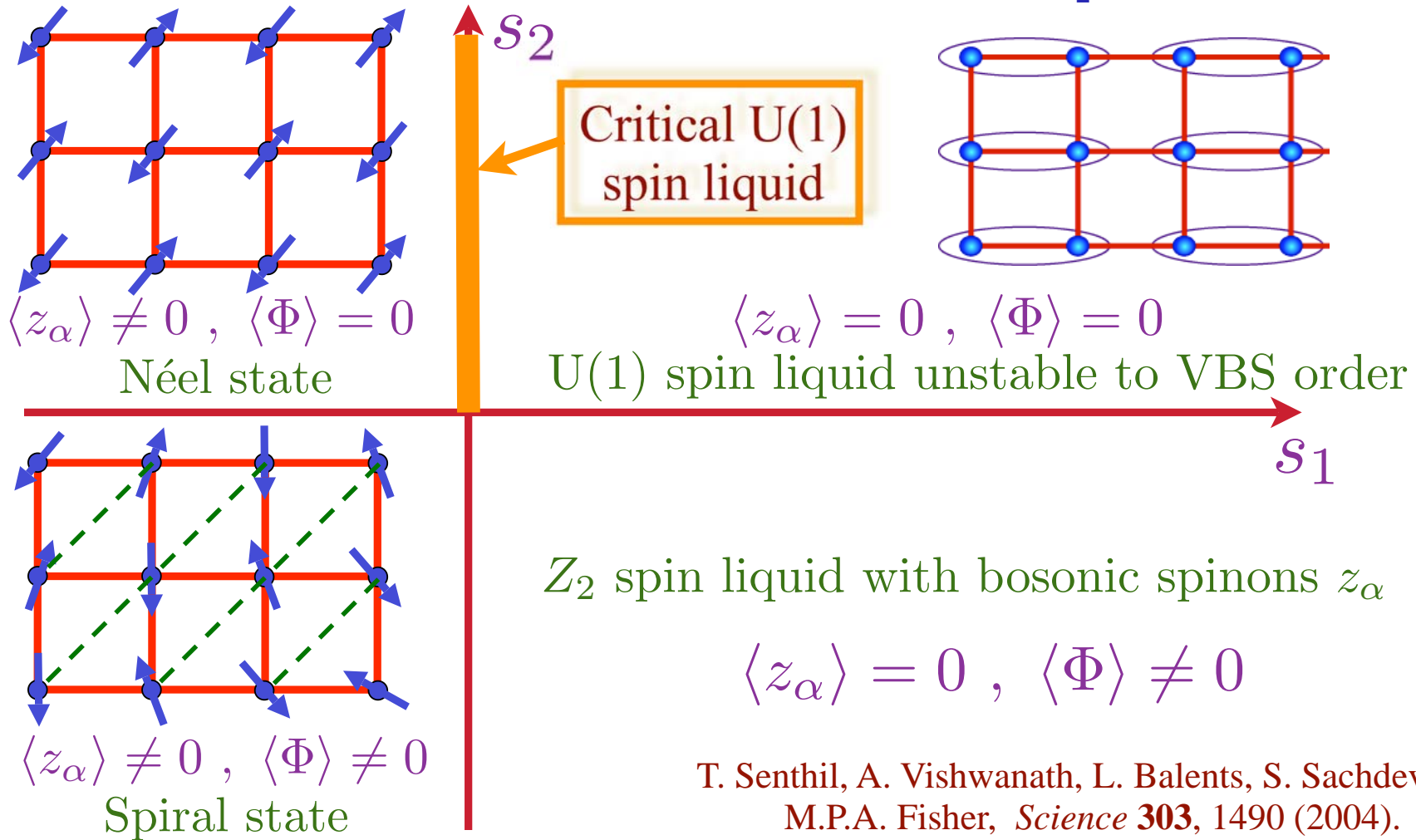
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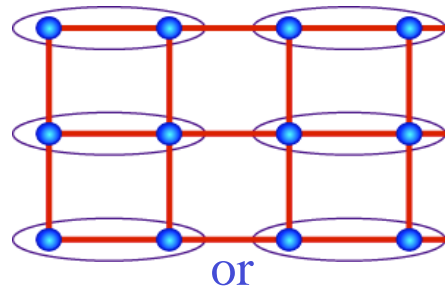
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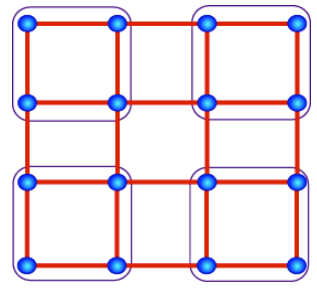
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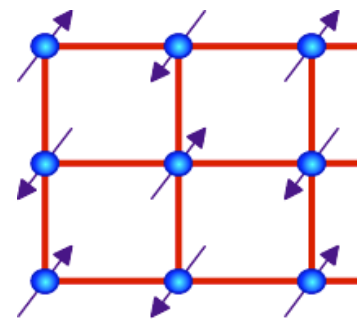
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or



VBS order



Neel order

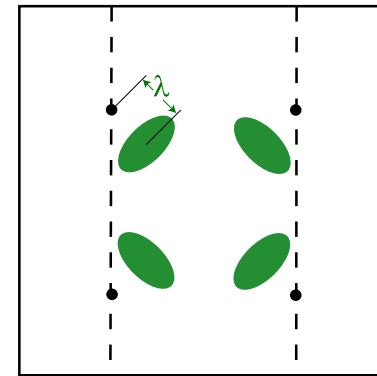
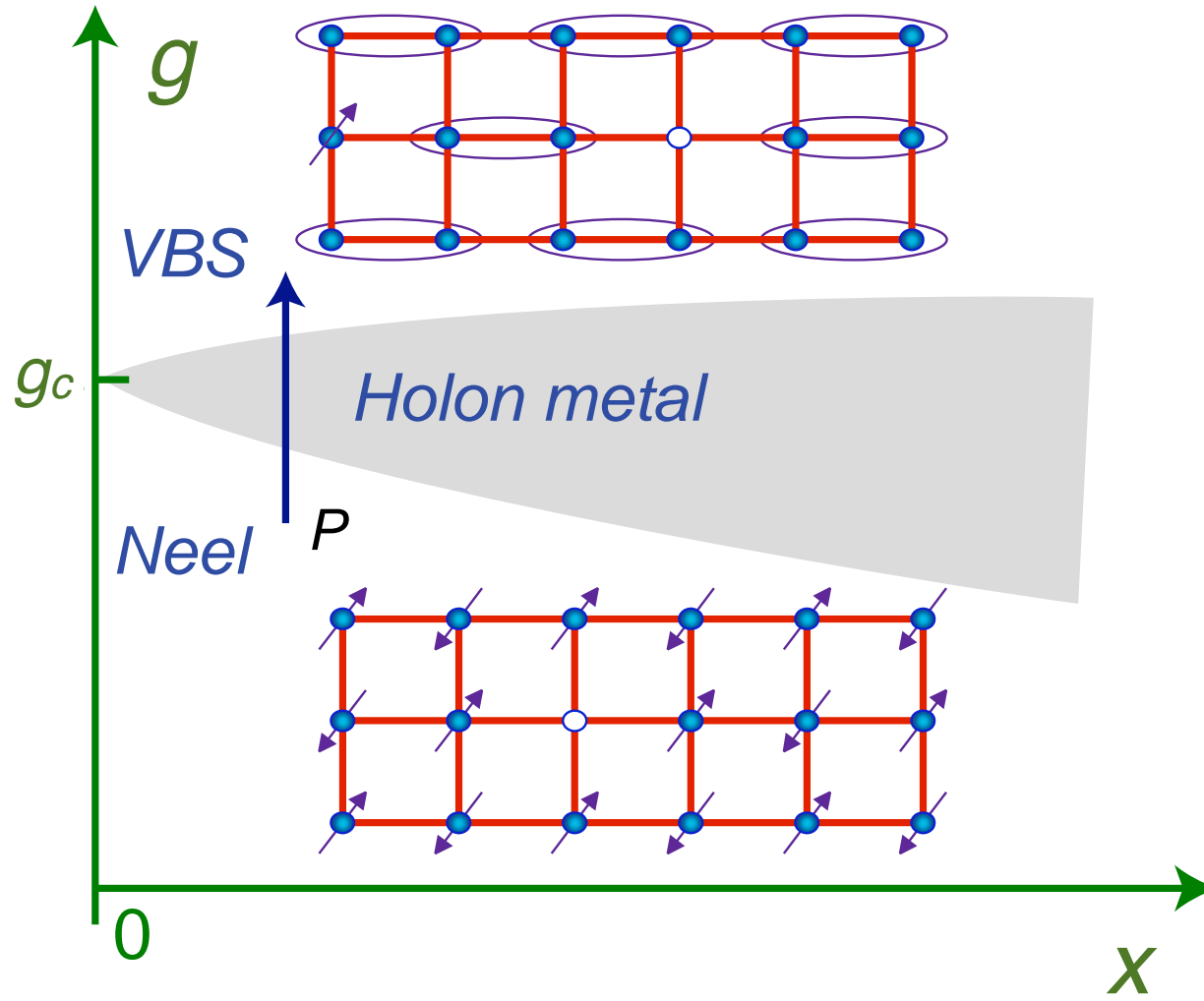


$\text{La}_2\text{CuO}_4$

Hole density  $x$



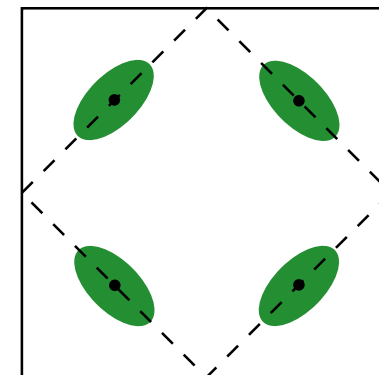
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VBS

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$$\mathcal{A} = (2\pi)^2 x / 4$$



Neel

## Pictorial explanation of factor of 2:

- In the Néel phase, sublattice index is identical to spin index. So for each valley and momentum, degeneracy of the hole state is 2.
- In the VBS state, the sublattice index and the spin index are distinct. So for each valley and momentum, degeneracy of the hole state is 4.

- Begin with the representation of the quantum antiferromagnet as the lattice  $\text{CP}^1$  model:

$$\mathcal{S}_z = -\frac{1}{g} \sum_{a,\mu} z_{a\alpha}^* e^{iA_{a\mu}} z_{a+\mu,\alpha} + i \sum_a \eta_a A_{a\tau}$$

- Write the electron operator at site  $r$ ,  $c_\alpha(r)$  in terms of **fermionic holon** operators  $f_\pm$

$$c_\alpha(r) = \begin{cases} f_+^\dagger(r) z_{r\alpha} & \text{for } r \text{ on sublattice A} \\ \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta} f_-^\dagger(r) z_{r\beta}^* & \text{for } r \text{ on sublattice B} \end{cases}$$

Note that the holons  $f_s$  have charge  $s$  under the  $\text{U}(1)$  gauge field  $A_\mu$ .

- Choose the dispersion,  $\epsilon(\vec{k})$  of the  $f_{\pm}$  in momentum space so that its minima are at  $(\pm\pi/2, \pm\pi/2)$ . *To avoid double-counting, these dispersions must be restricted to be within the diamond Brillouin zone.*

$$\mathcal{S}_f = \int d\tau \sum_{s=\pm} \int_{\diamond} \frac{d^2k}{4\pi^2} f_s^\dagger(\vec{k}) \left( \partial_\tau - isA_\tau + \epsilon(\vec{k} - s\vec{A}) \right) f_s(\vec{k})$$

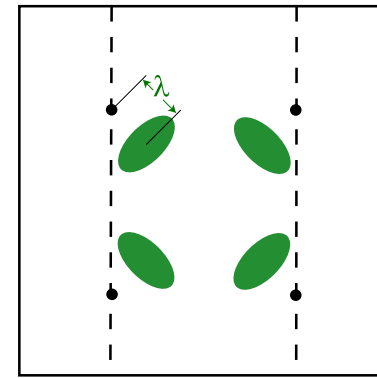
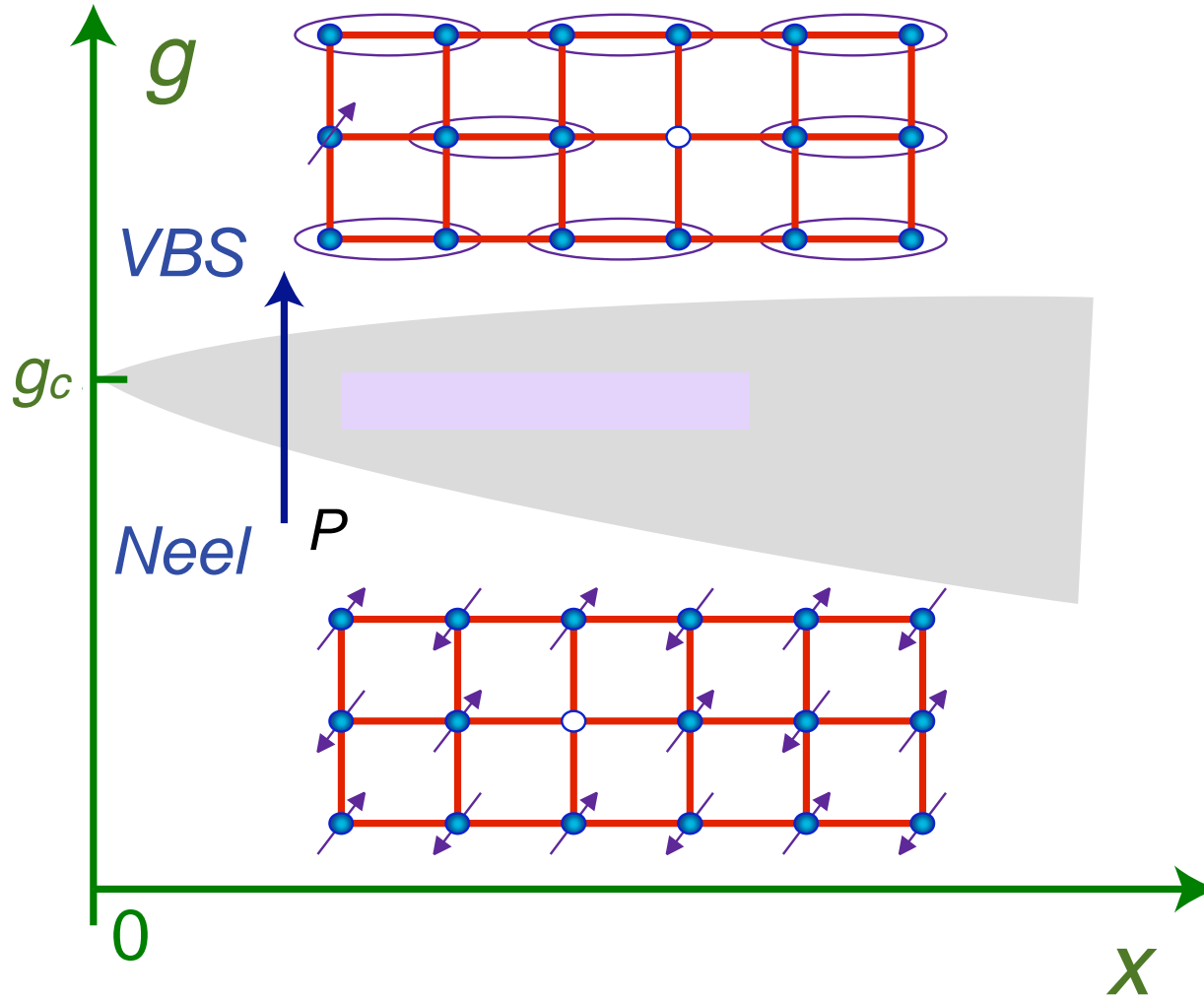
- Include the hopping between opposite sublattices (Shraiman-Siggia term):

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}_t &= -t \sum_{\langle rr' \rangle} c_\alpha^\dagger(r) c_\alpha(r') + \text{h.c.} \\ &= -t \sum_{\langle rr' \rangle} (f_+^\dagger(r) z_{r\alpha})^\dagger \epsilon_{\alpha\beta} f_-^\dagger(r') z_{r'\beta}^* \end{aligned}$$

- Complete theory for doped antiferromagnet:

$$\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{S}_z + \mathcal{S}_f + \mathcal{S}_t$$

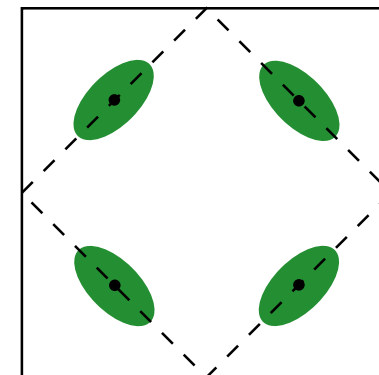
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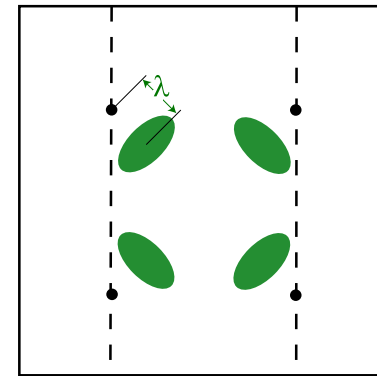
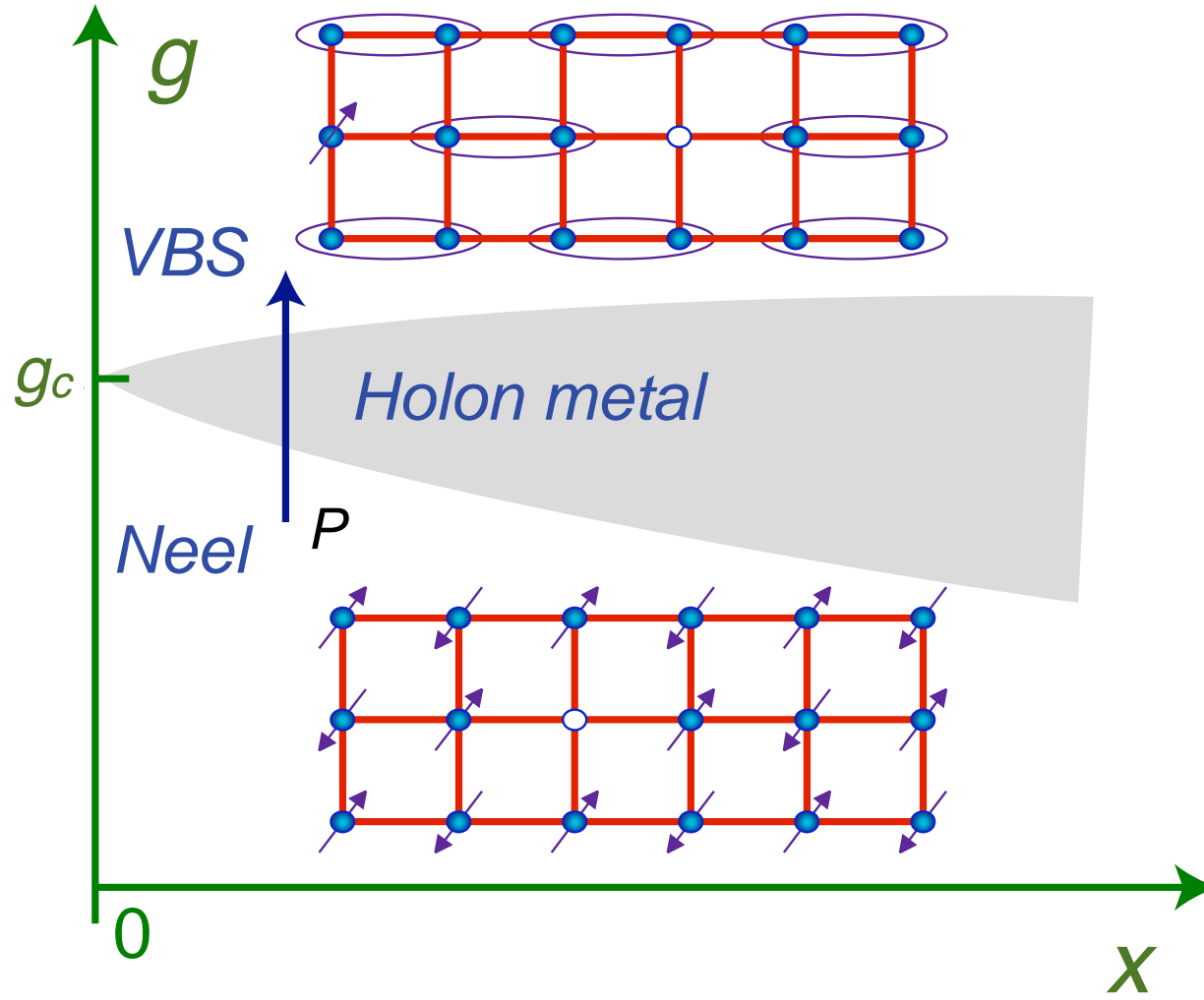
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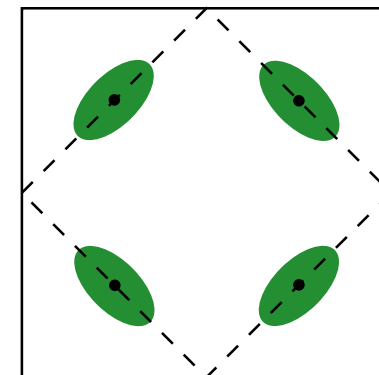
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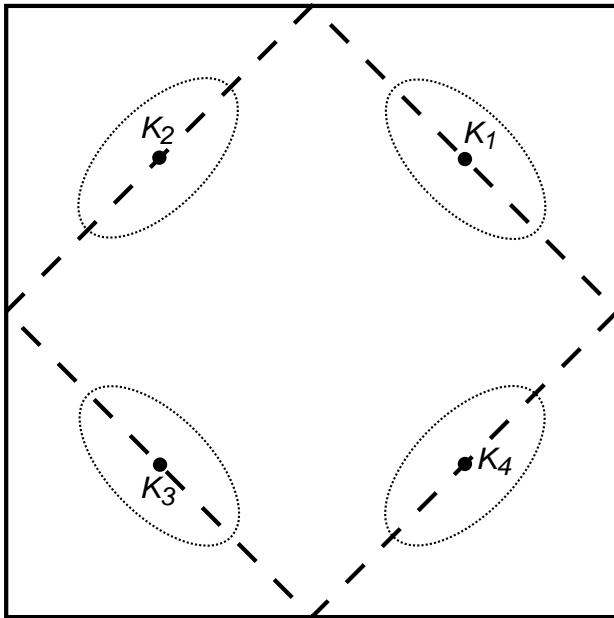
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## A new non-Fermi liquid phase:

### The holon metal

An algebraic *charge* liquid.

- Ignore compactness in  $A_\mu$  and Berry phase term.
- Neutral spinons  $z_\alpha$  are gapped.
- Charge  $e$  fermions  $f_s$  form Fermi surfaces and carry charges  $s = \pm 1$  under the U(1) gauge field  $A_\mu$ .
- Quasi-long range order in a variety of VBS and pairing correlations.



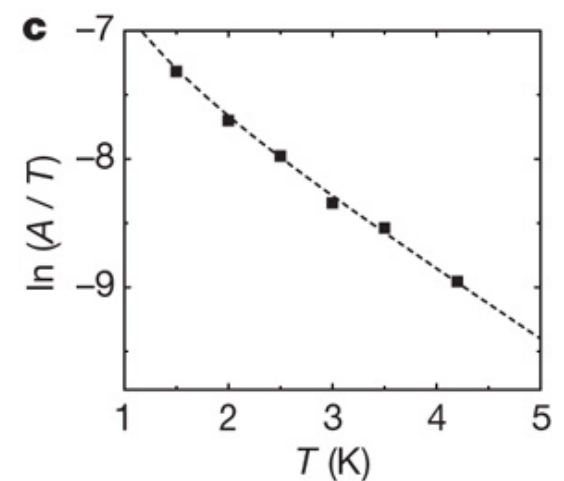
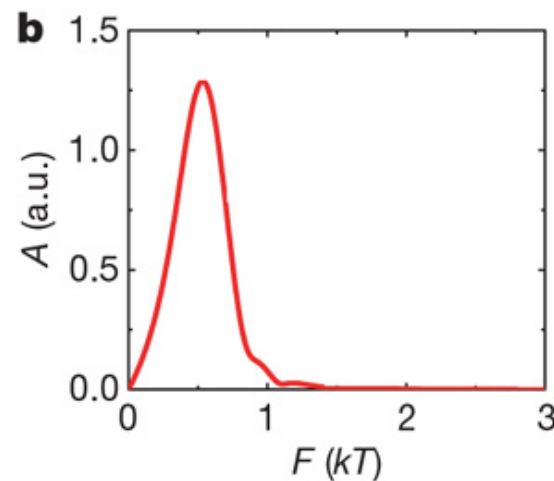
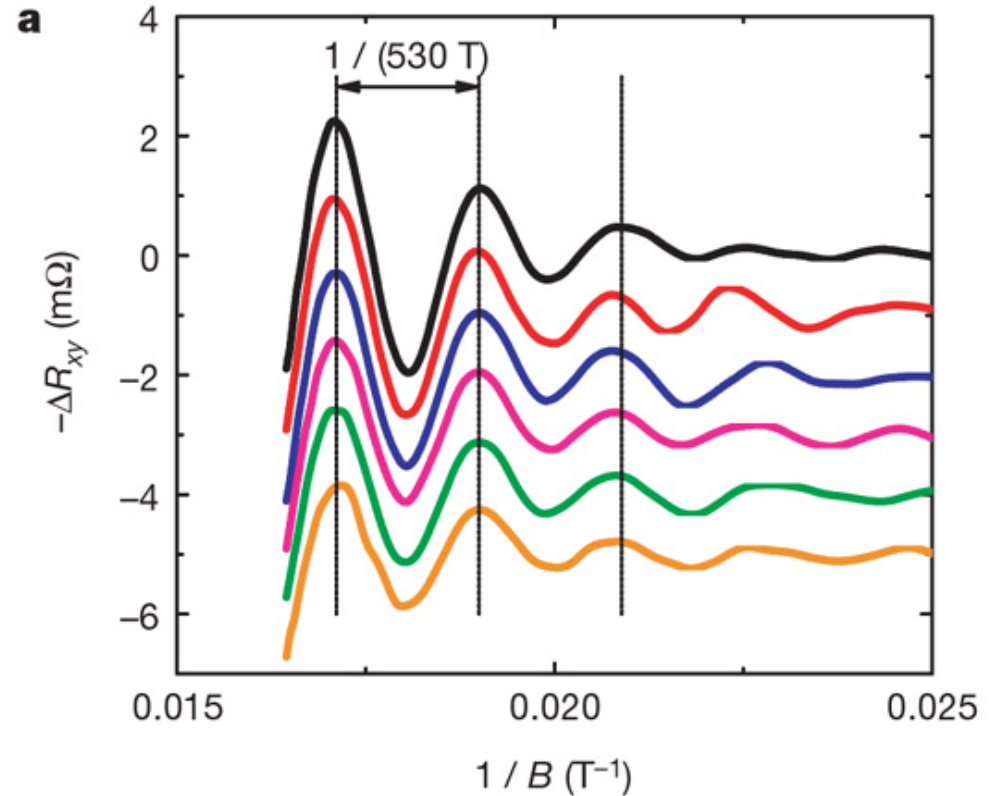
Area of each Fermi pocket,

$$\mathcal{A} = (2\pi)^2 x/4.$$

The Fermi pocket will show sharp magnetoresistance oscillations, but it is invisible to photoemission.

Quantum oscillations and the Fermi surface in an underdoped high  $T_c$  superconductor (ortho-II ordered  $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{6.5}$ ).

N. Doiron-Leyraud, C. Proust, D. LeBoeuf, J. Levallois, J.-B. Bonnemaïson, R. Liang, D. A. Bonn, W. N. Hardy, and L. Taillefer, *Nature* **447**, 565 (2007)





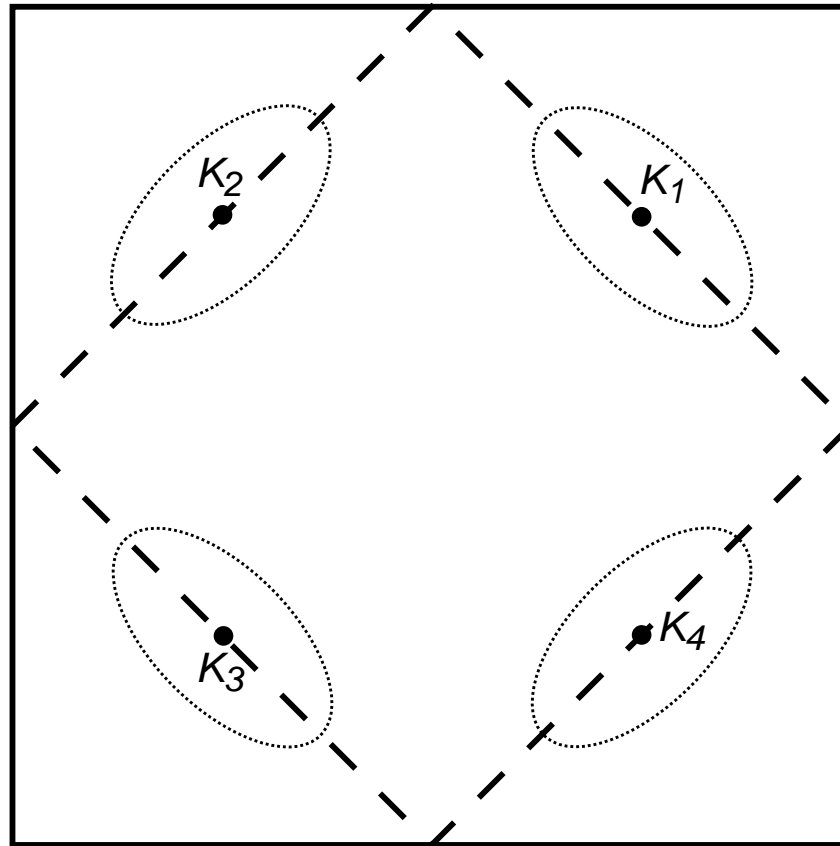
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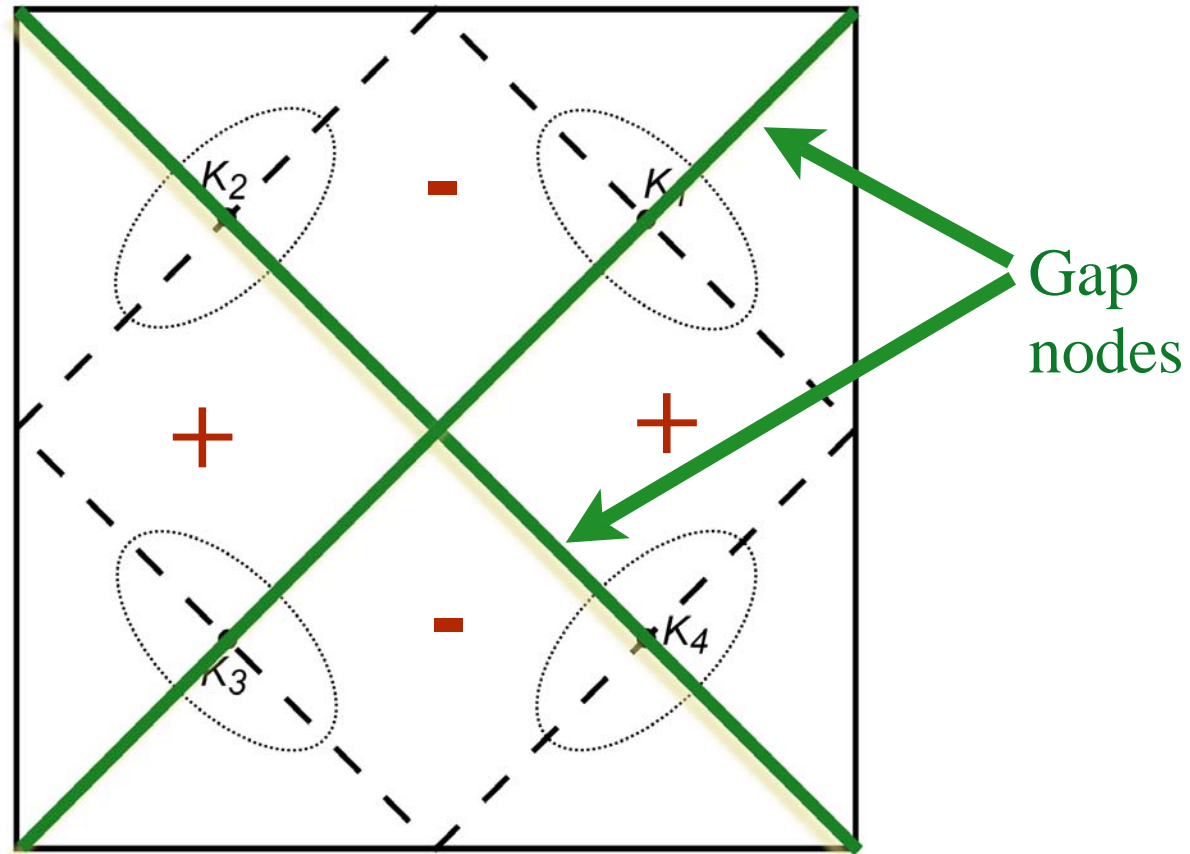
● This was studied in V. V. Flambaum, M. Yu. Kuchiev, and O. P. Sushkov, *Physica C* **227**, 267 (1994); V. I. Belincher *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. B* **51**, 6076 (1995). They found  $p$ -wave pairing of holons, induced by spin-wave exchange from the sublattice mixing term  $\mathcal{S}_t$ . This corresponds to  $d$ -wave pairing of physical electrons



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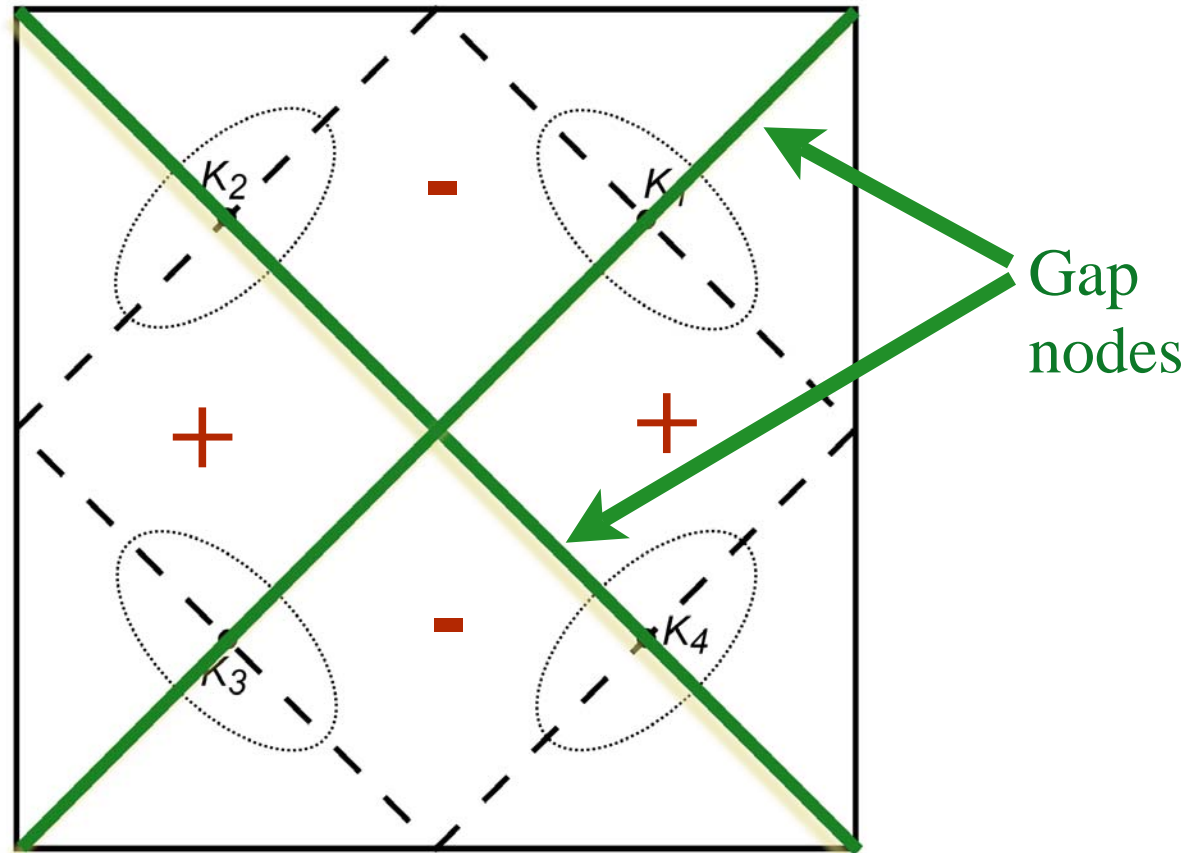


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## Holon pairing leading to $d$ -wave superconductivity



We assume the same pairing holds across a transition involving loss of long-range Néel order. The resulting phase is another algebraic charge liquid - the *holon superconductor*. This superconductor has gapped spinons with no electrical charge, and spinless, nodal Bogoliubov-Dirac quasiparticles. The superconductivity does **not** gap the U(1) gauge field  $A_\mu$ , because the Cooper pairs are gauge neutral.

# Low energy theory of holon superconductor

4 two-component Dirac quasiparticles coupled to a U(1) gauge field

$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{holon superconductor}} = \int d\tau d^2r \left[ \frac{1}{2e_0^2} (\epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} \partial_\nu A_\lambda)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^4 \psi_i^\dagger (D_\tau - iv_F(\partial_x - iA_x)\tau^x - iv_F(\partial_y - iA_y)\tau^y) \psi_i \right]$$

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External vector potential  $\vec{A}$  couples as

$$\mathcal{H}_A = \vec{j} \cdot \vec{A}$$

where

$$j_x = v_F \left( \psi_3^\dagger \psi_3 - \psi_1^\dagger \psi_1 \right) \quad , \quad j_y = v_F \left( \psi_4^\dagger \psi_4 - \psi_2^\dagger \psi_2 \right)$$

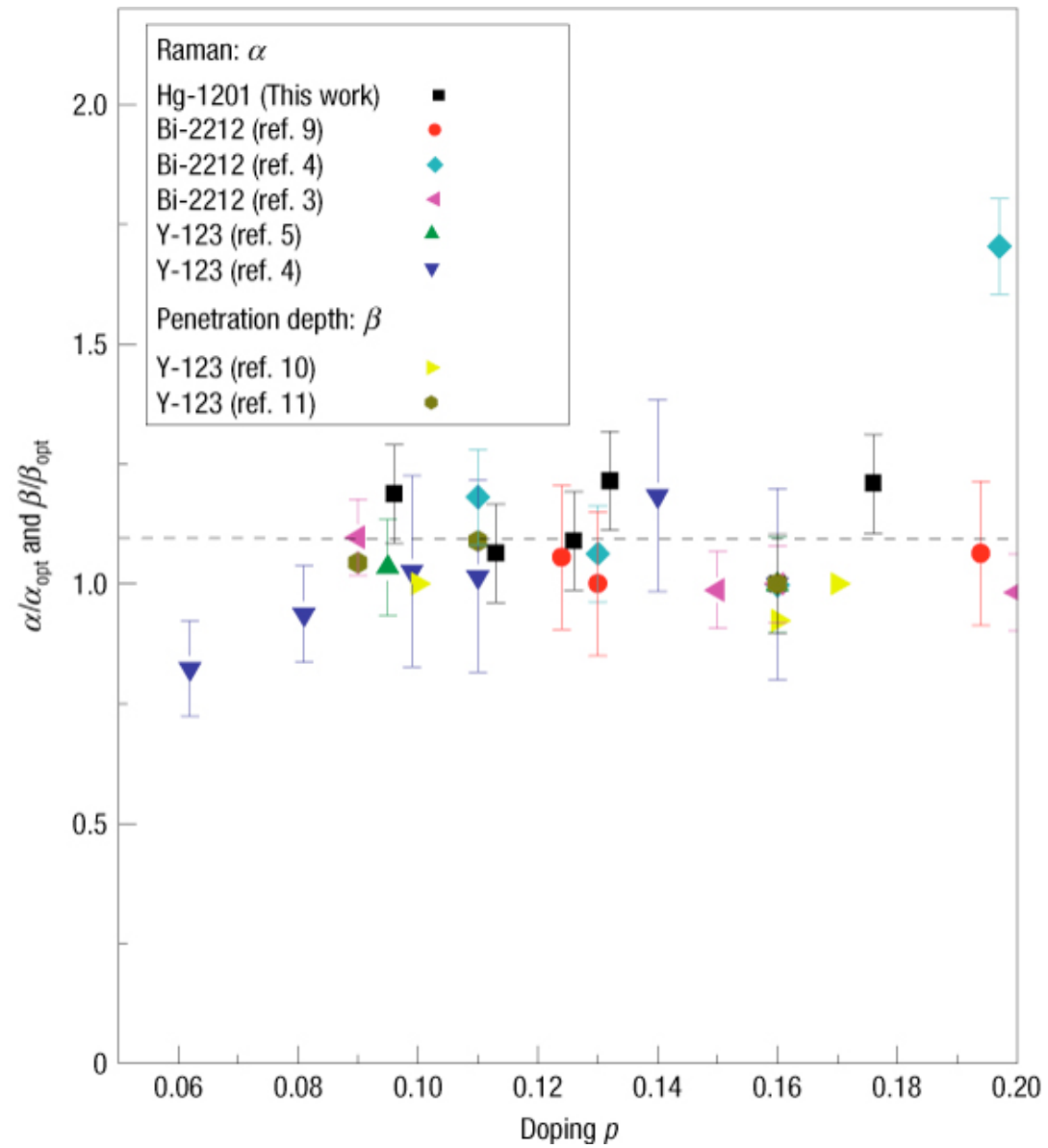
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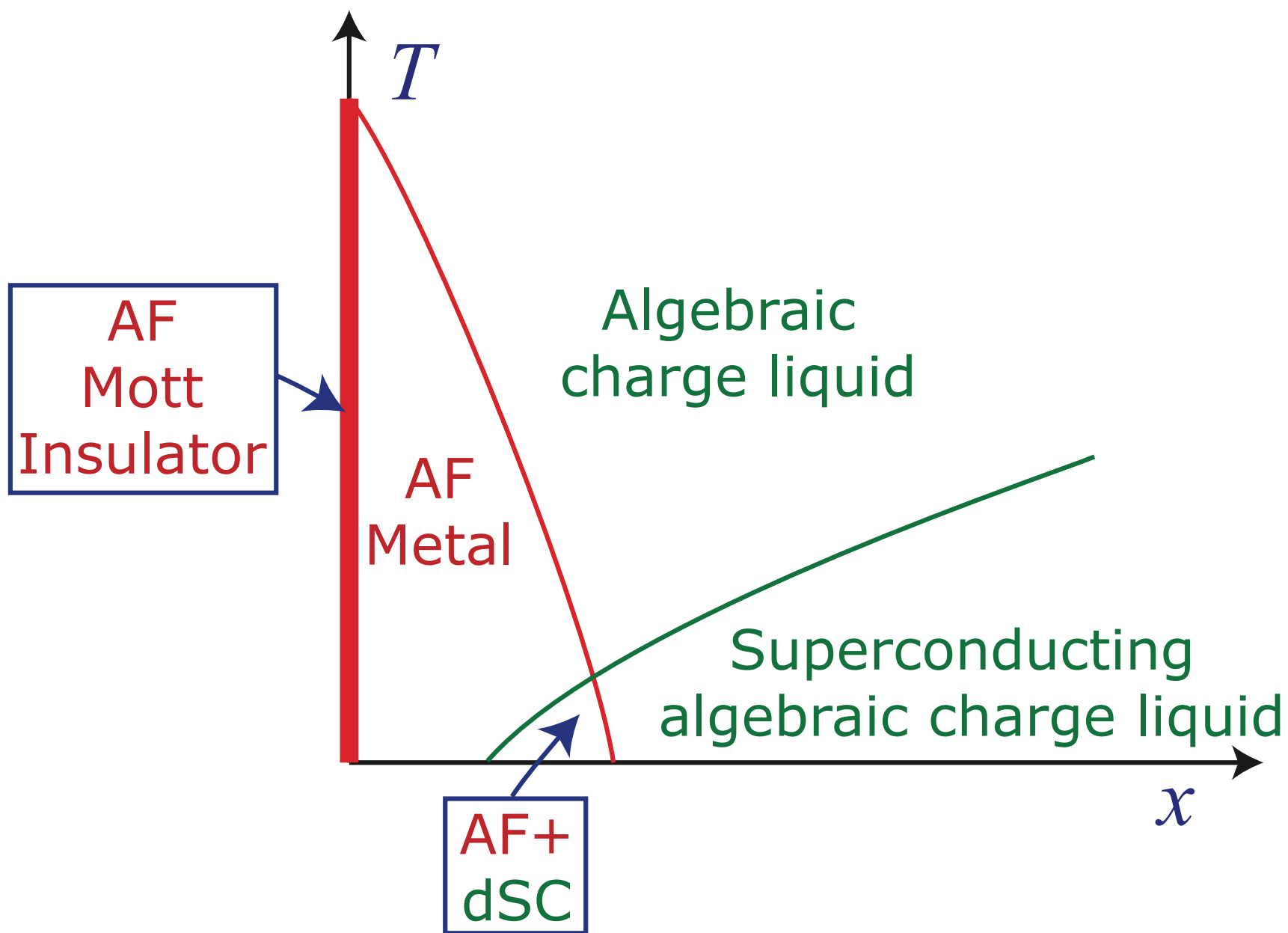
**Fundamental property:** The superfluid density,  $\rho_s$ , has the following  $x$  and  $T$  dependence:

$$\rho_s(x, T) = cx - \mathcal{R}k_B T$$

where  $c$  is a non-universal constant and  $\mathcal{R}$  is a universal constant obtained in a  $1/N$  expansion ( $N = 4$  is the number of Dirac fermions):

$$\mathcal{R} = 0.4412 + \frac{0.307}{N} + \dots$$







# Conclusions

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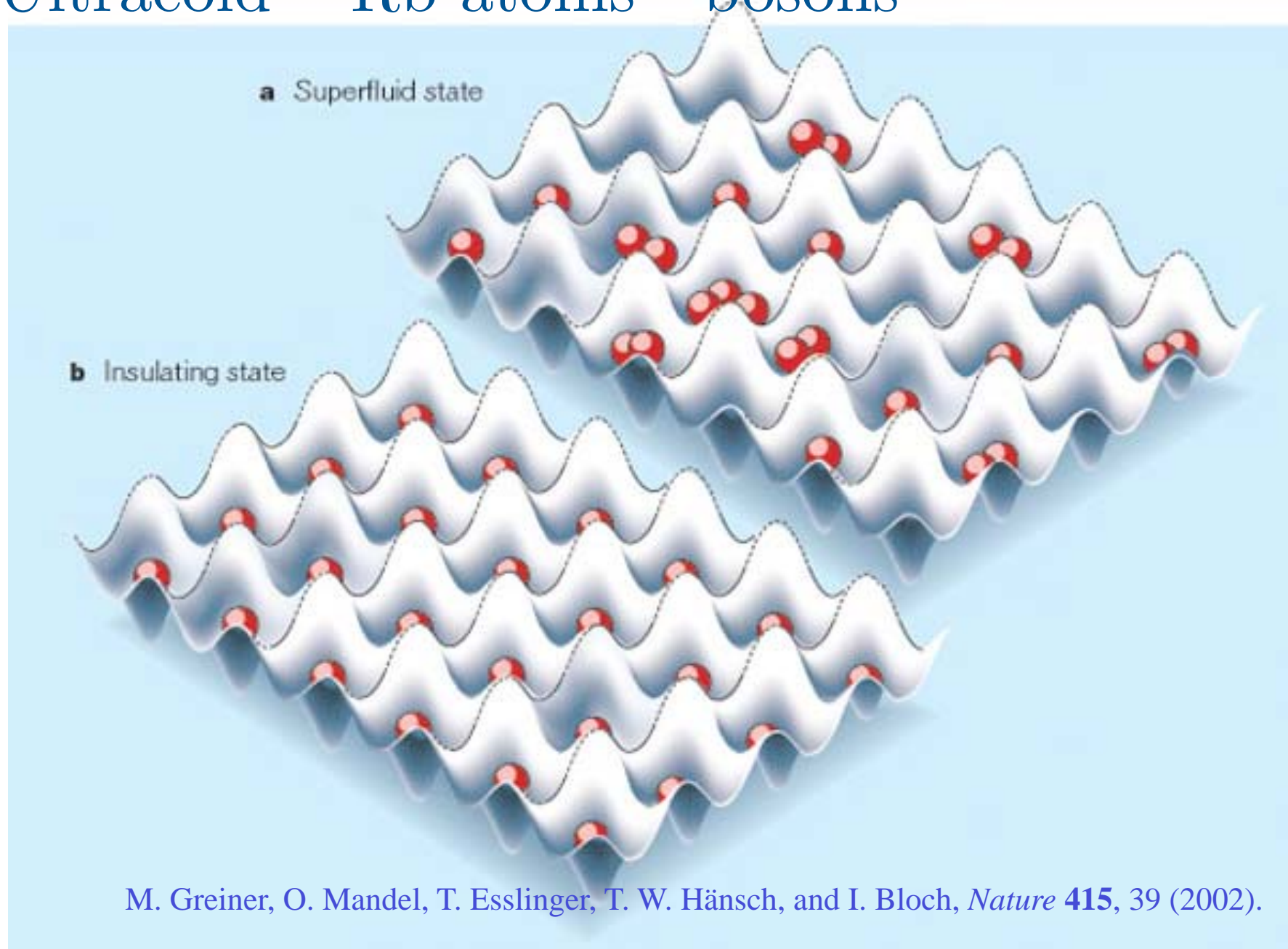
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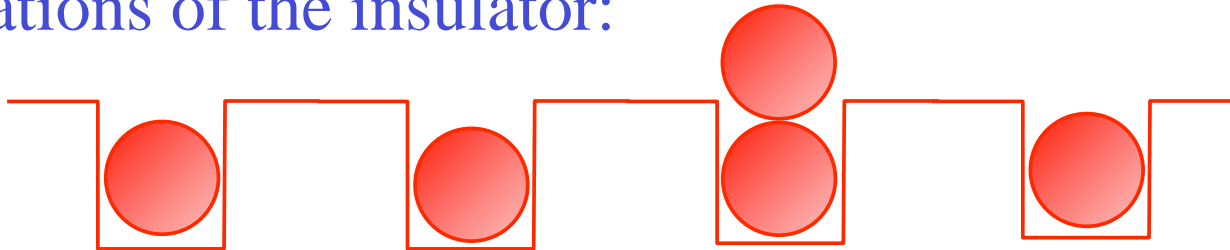


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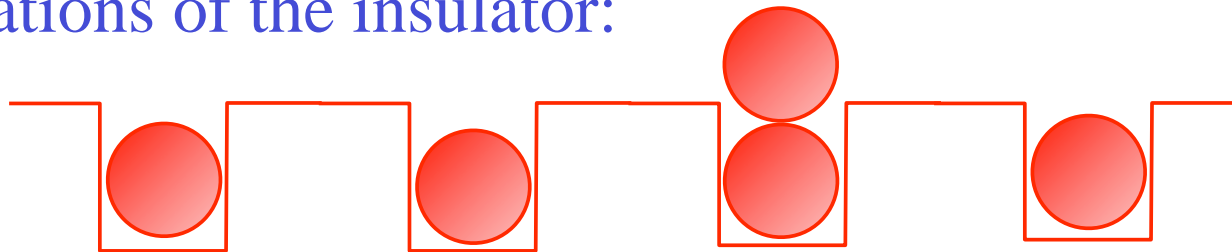
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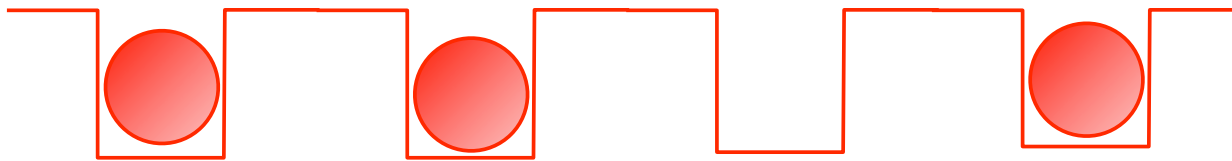
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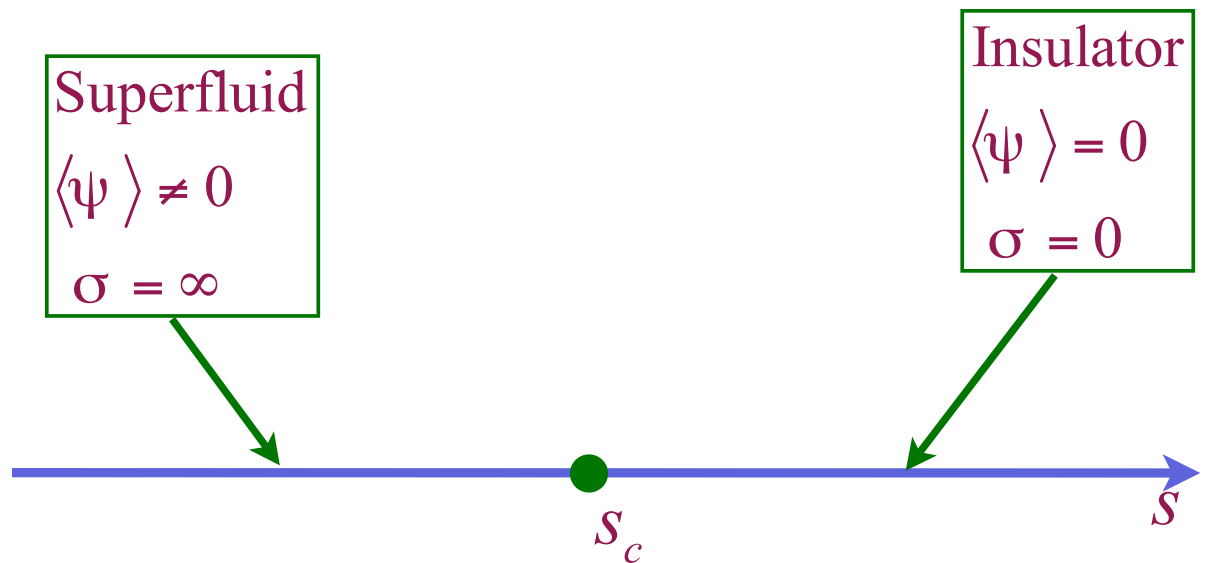
Density of particles = density of holes  $\Rightarrow$

“relativistic” field theory for  $\psi$ :

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Insulator  $\Leftrightarrow \langle \psi \rangle = 0$

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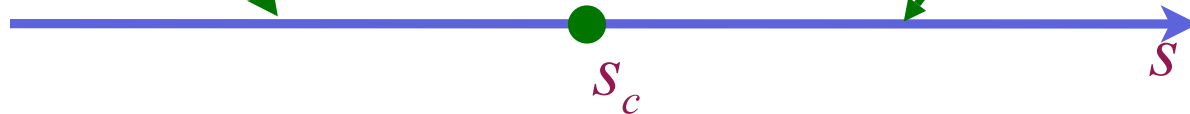


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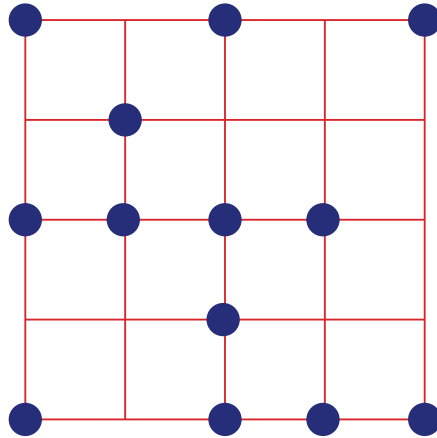
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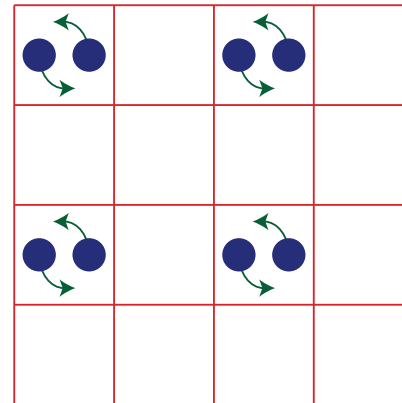
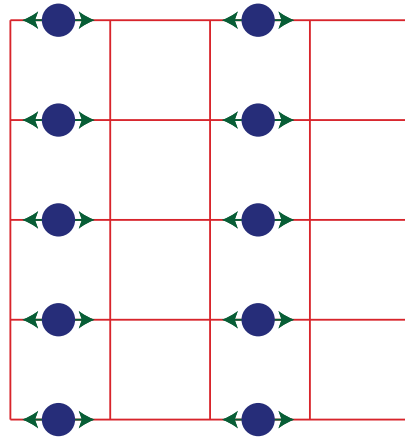
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Superfluid



Insulator

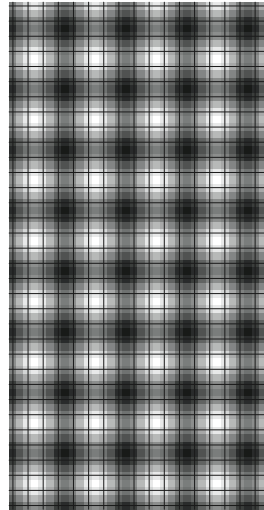
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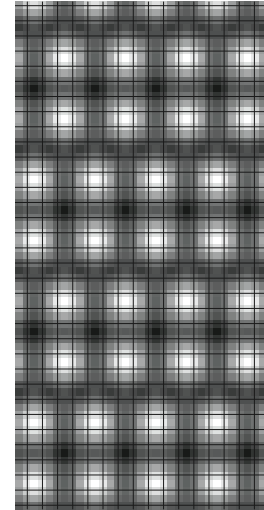
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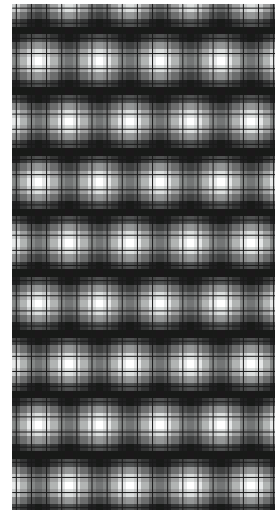


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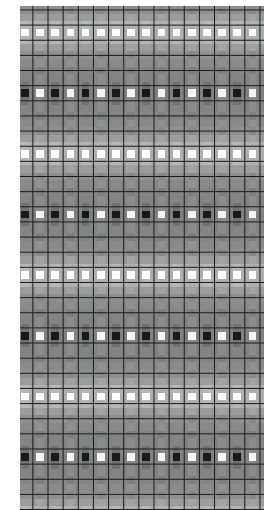


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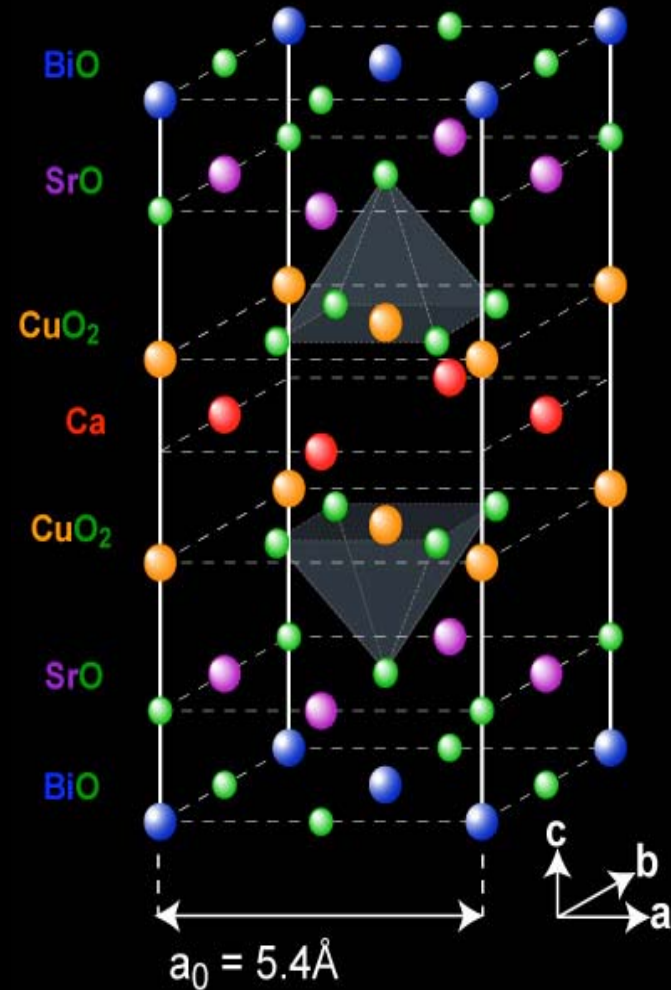
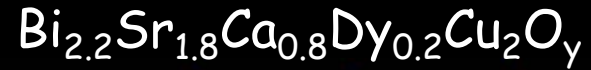
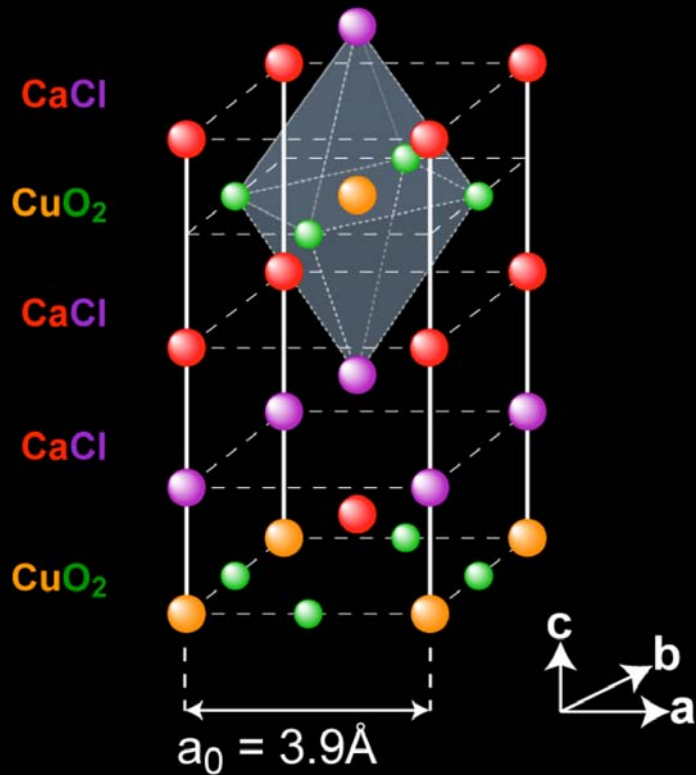


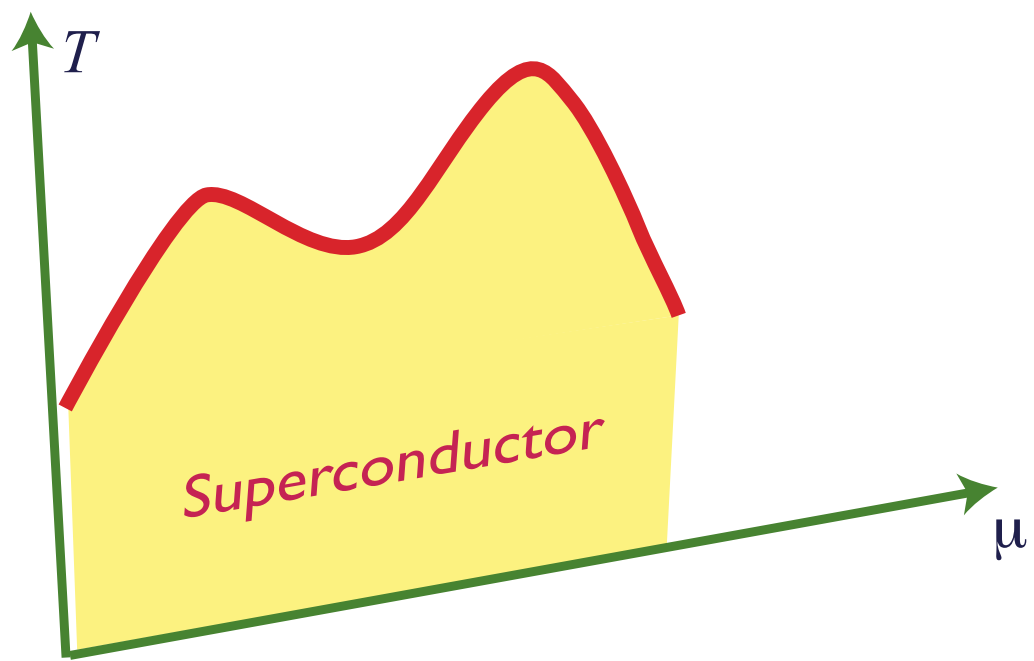
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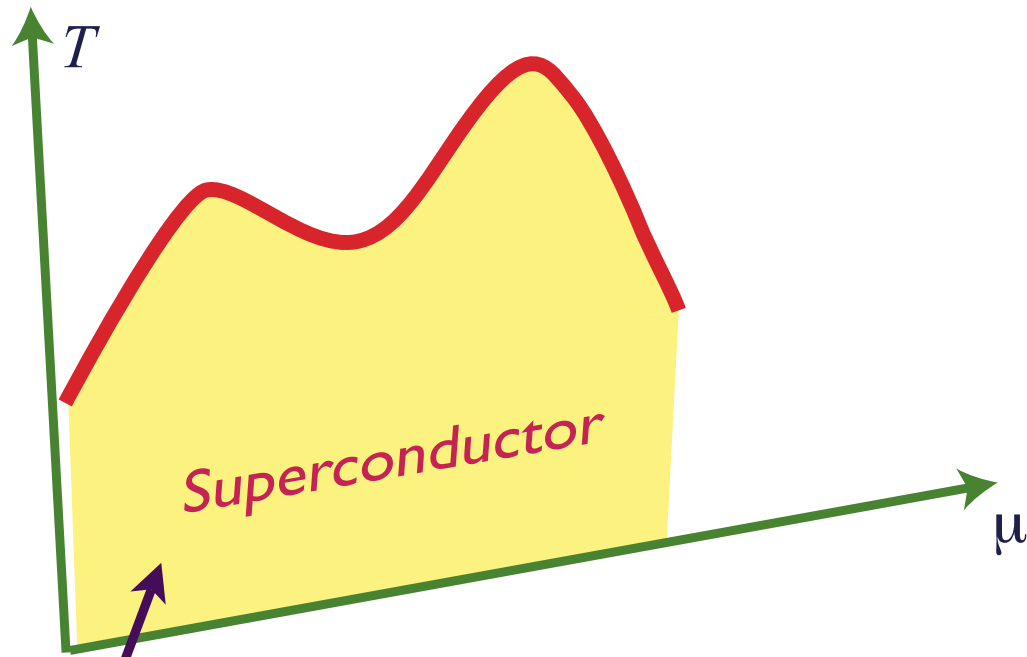


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Dope the antiferromagnets with charge carriers of density  $x$  by applying a chemical potential  $\mu$



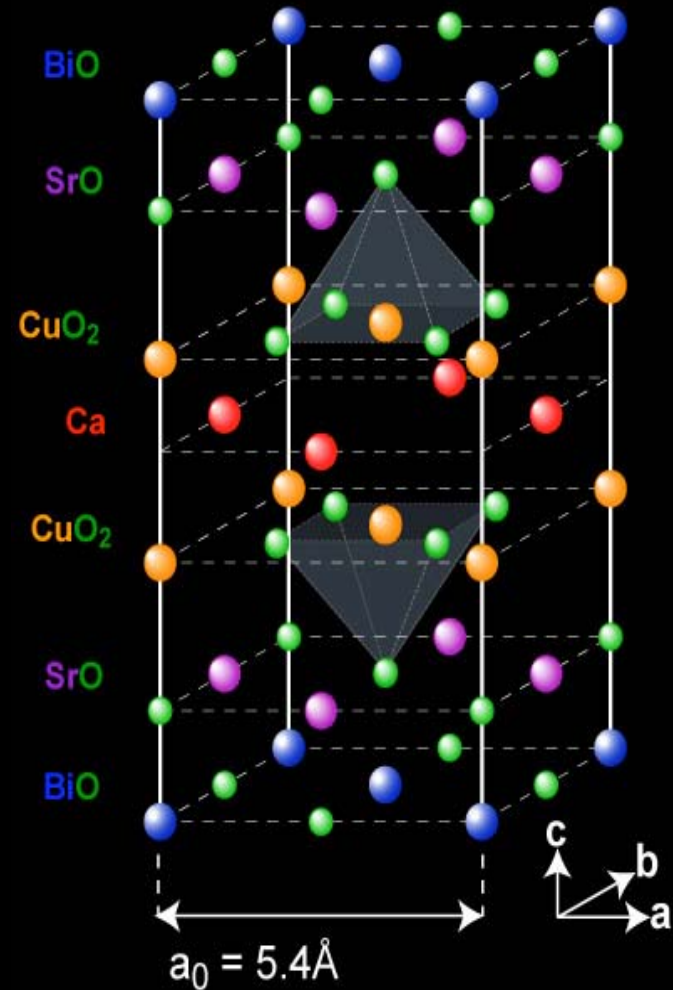
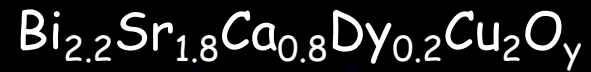
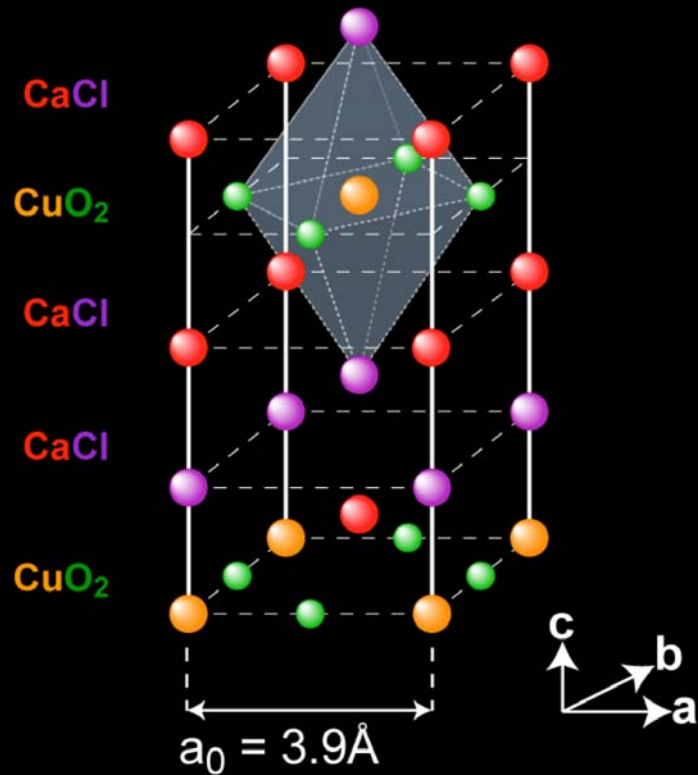
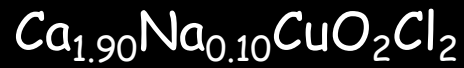




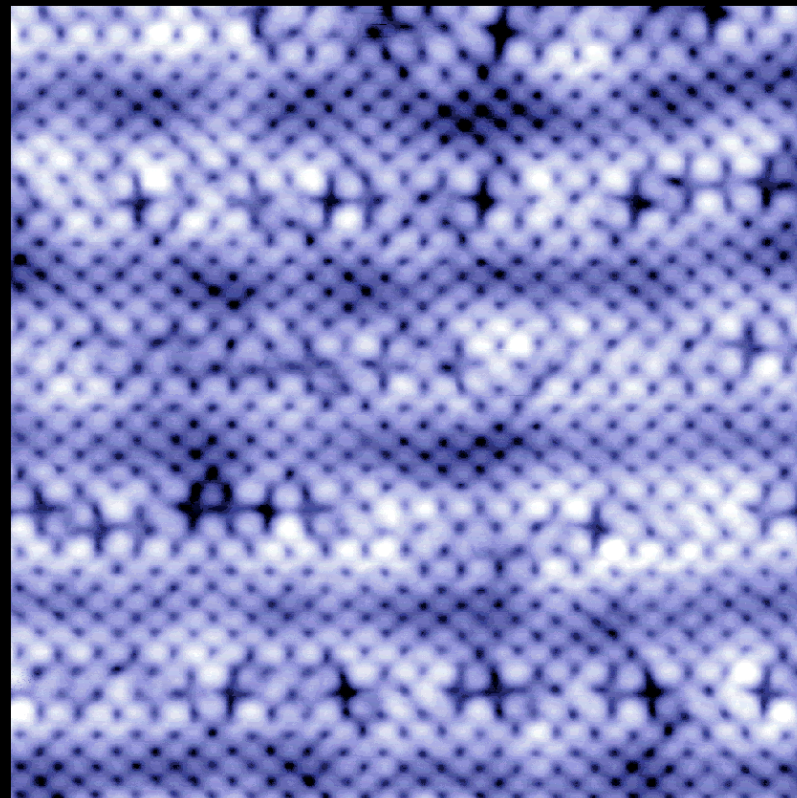
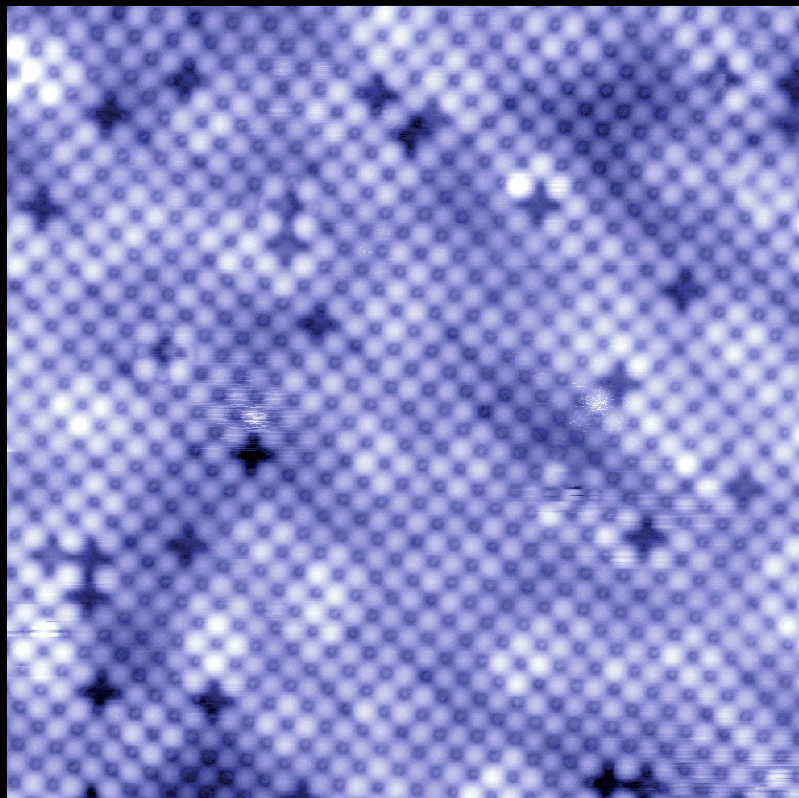
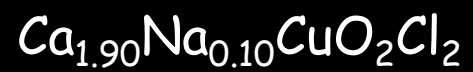
Scanning tunnelling microscopy



# STM studies of the underdoped superconductor

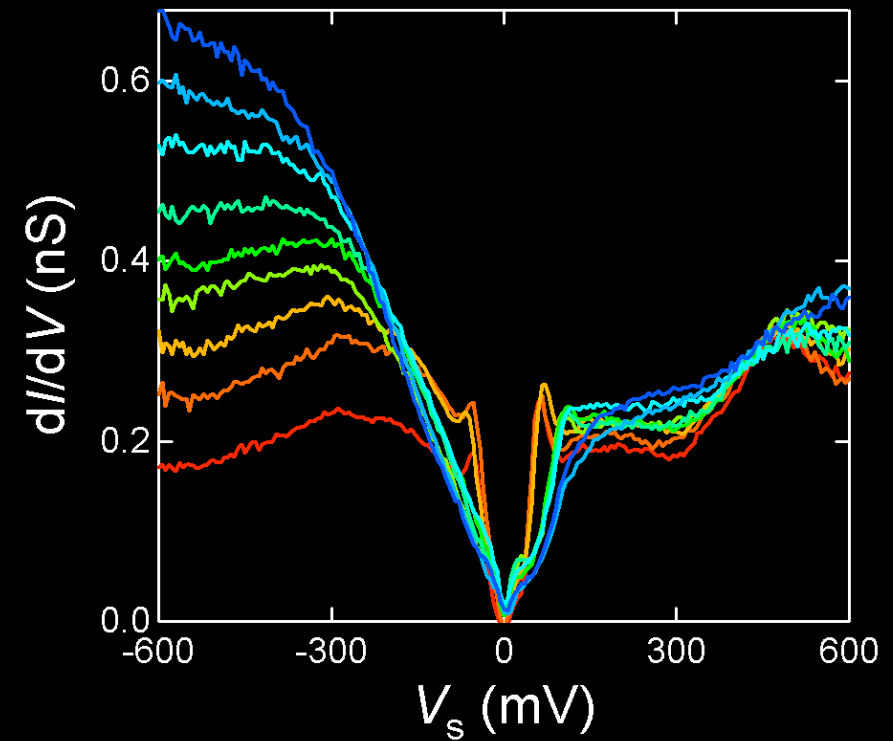
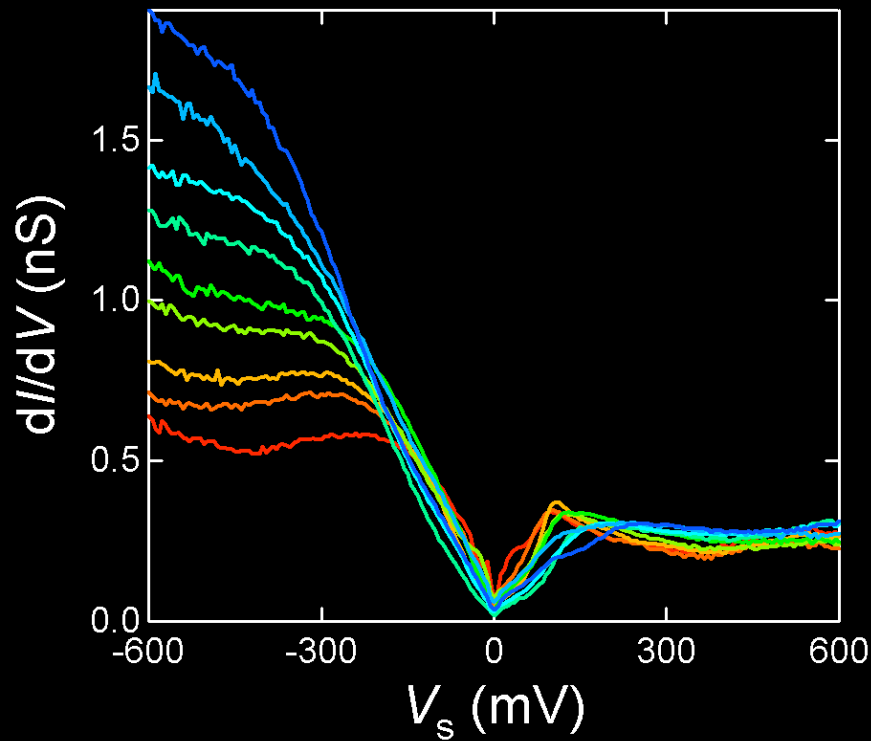
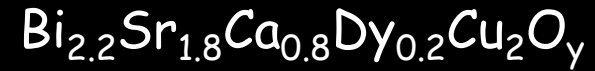


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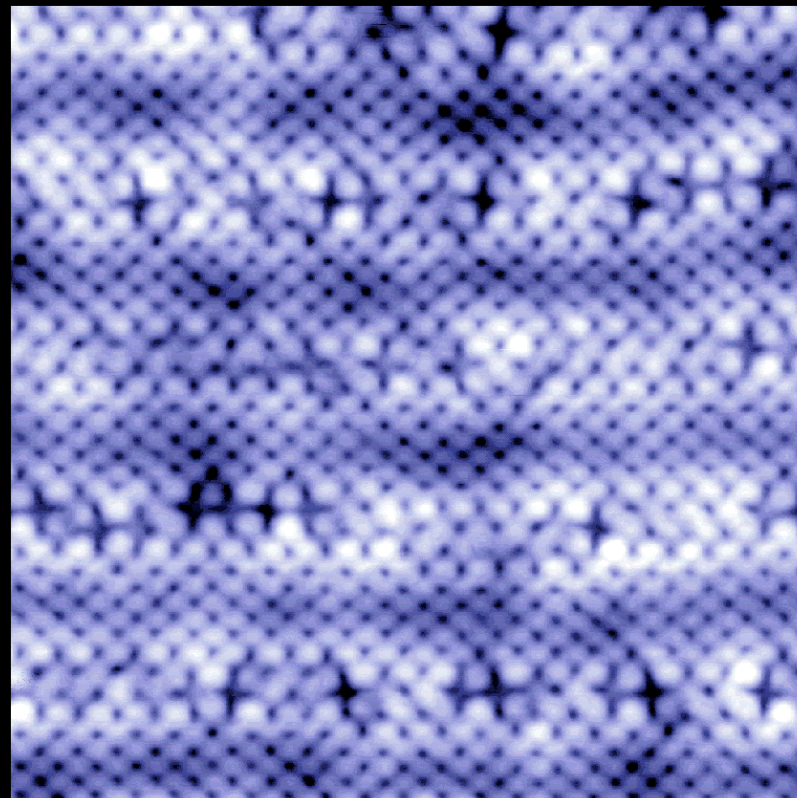
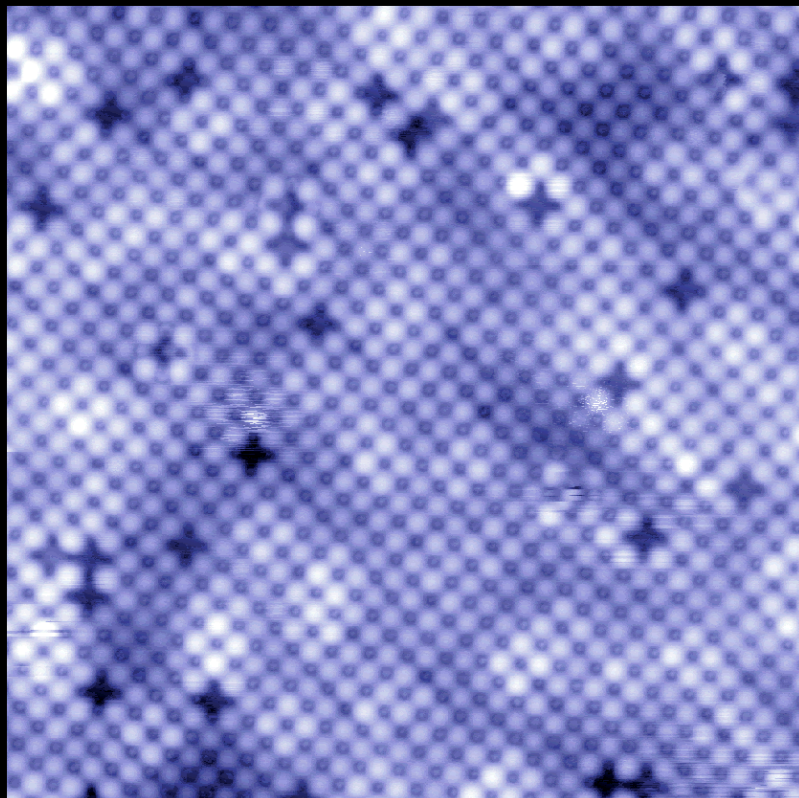
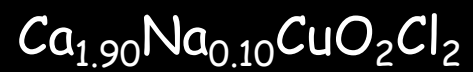
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Intense Tunneling-Asymmetry (TA)  
variation are highly similar

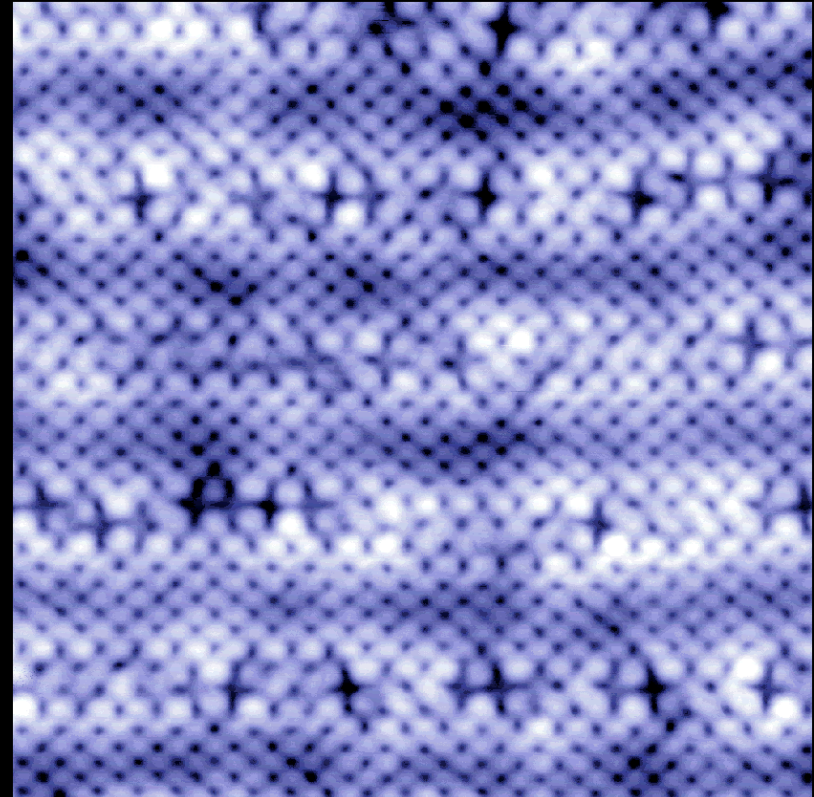
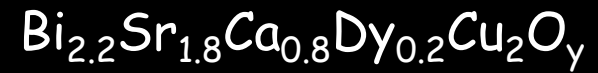
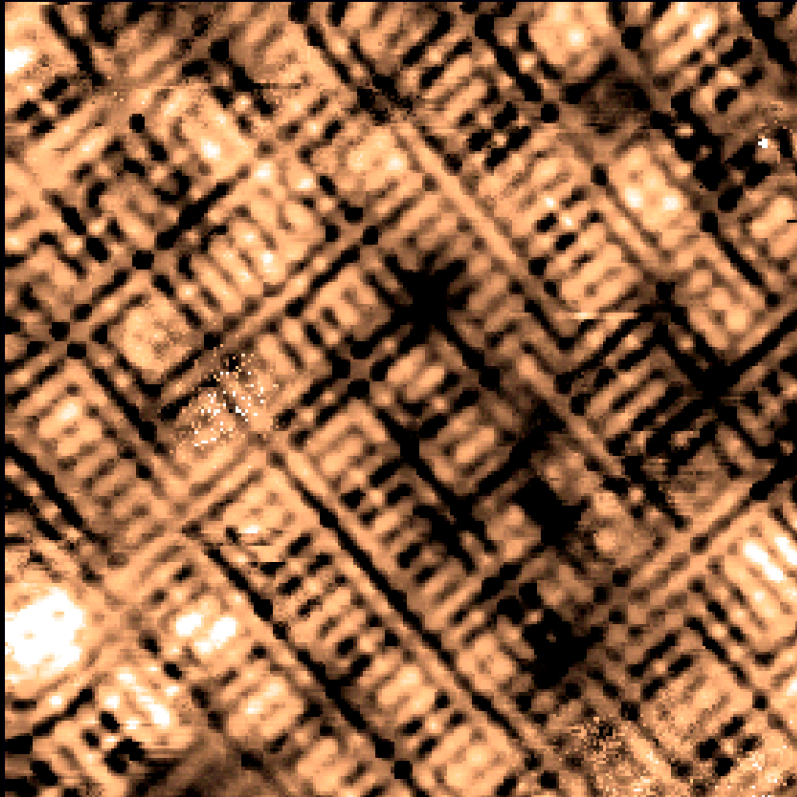
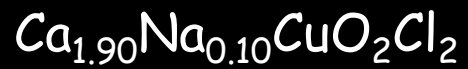
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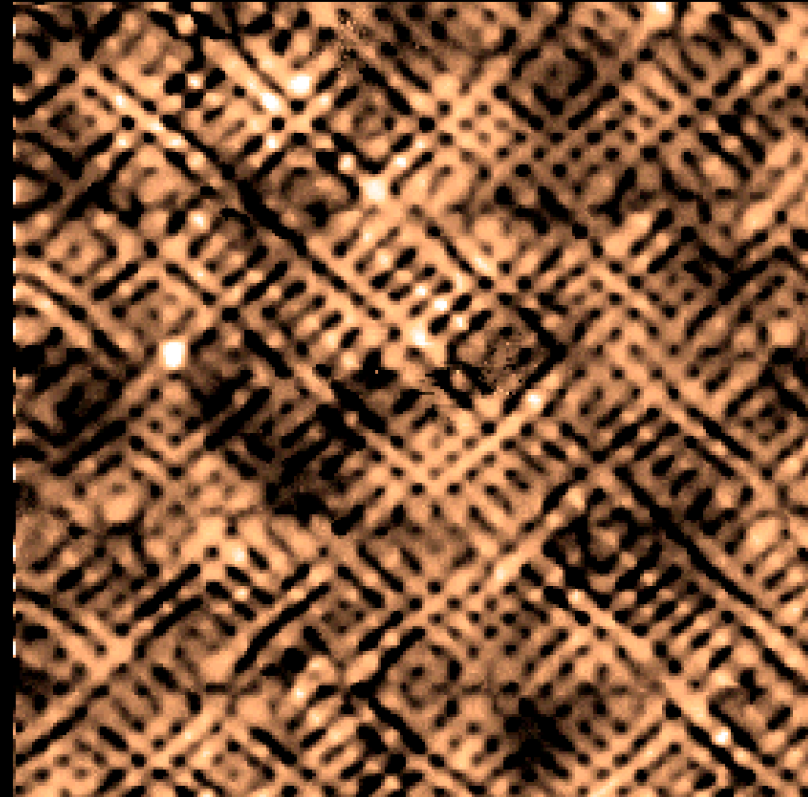
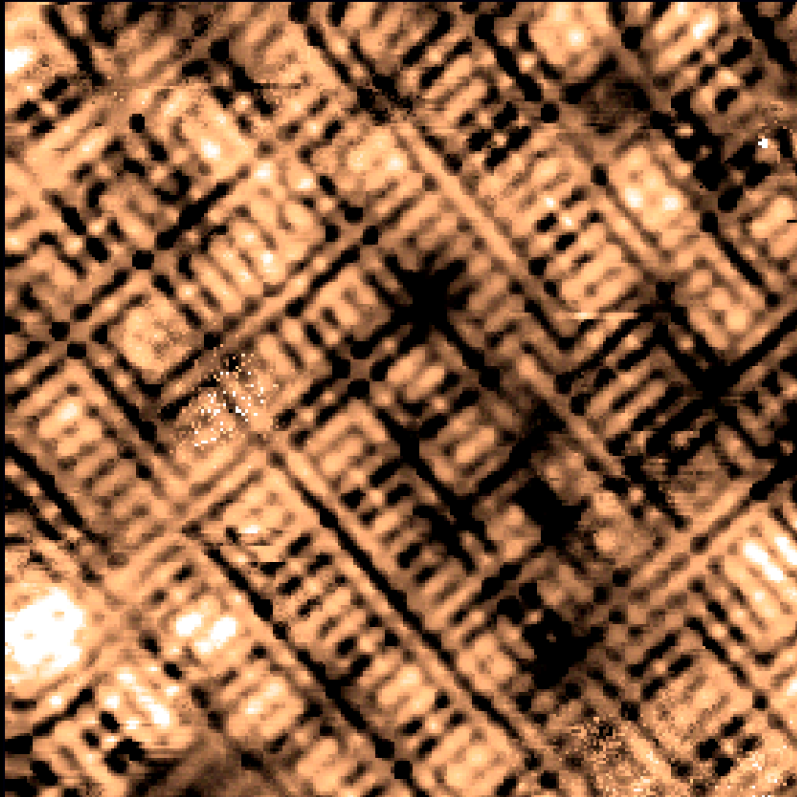
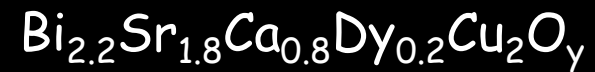
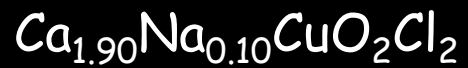
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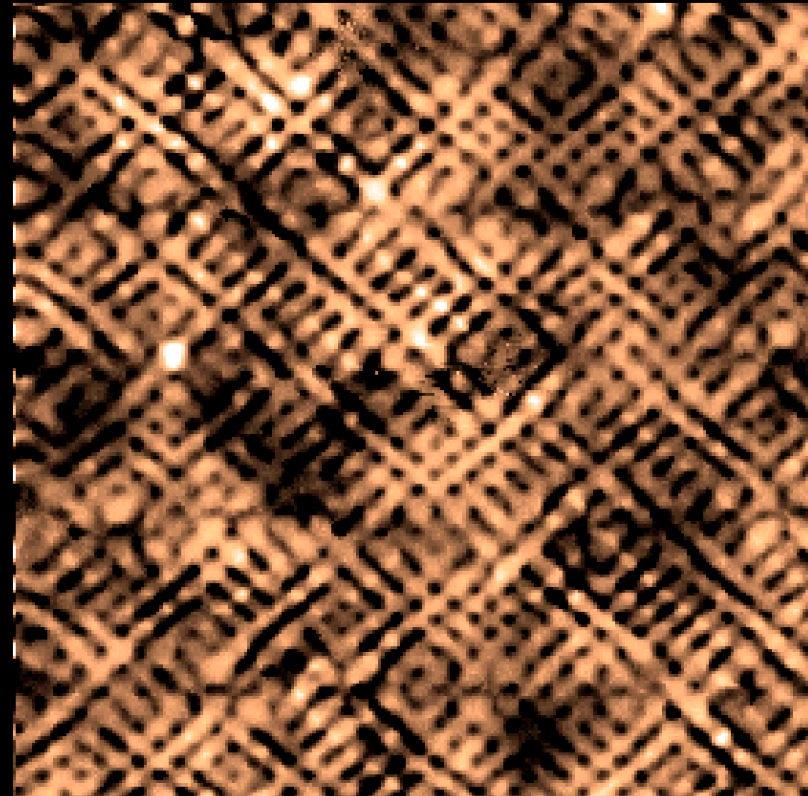
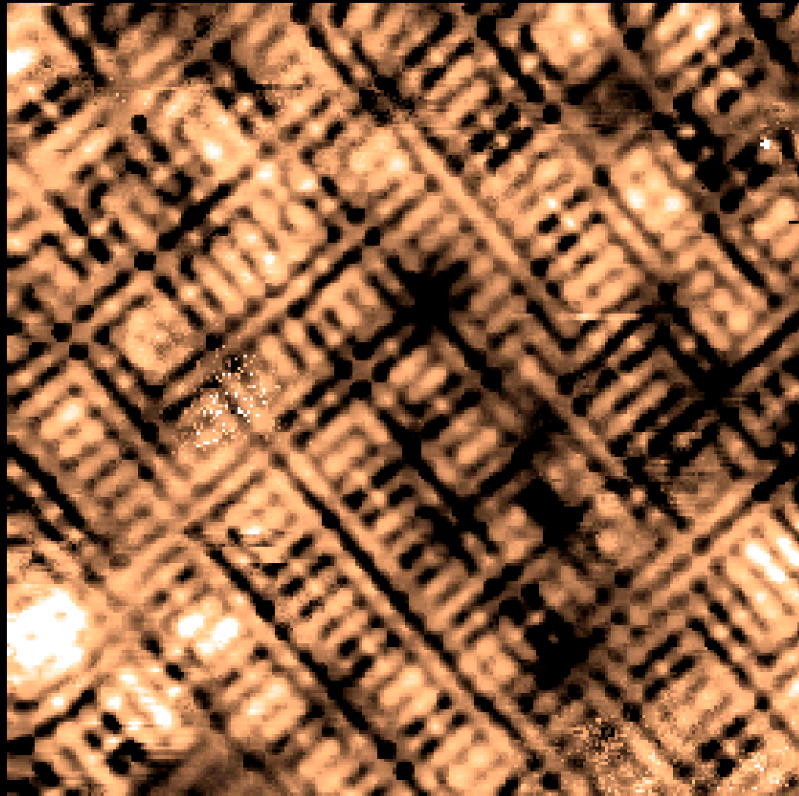
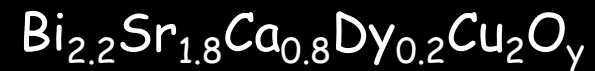
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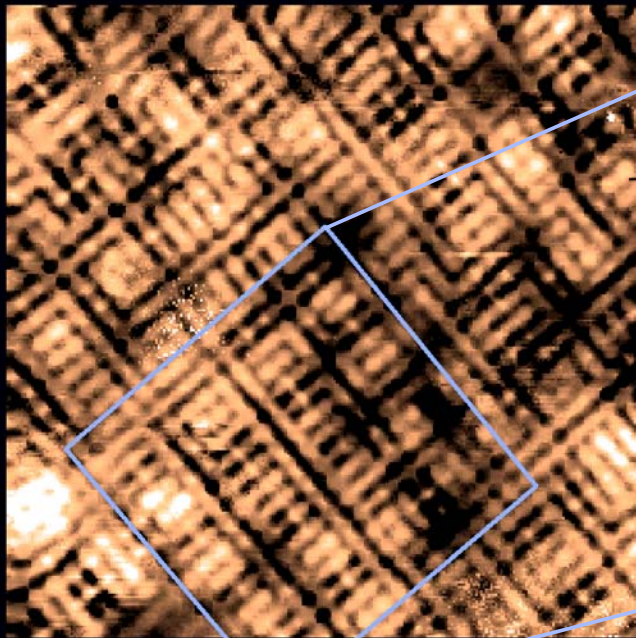
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Indistinguishable bond-centered TA contrast  
with disperse  $4a_0$ -wide nanodomains

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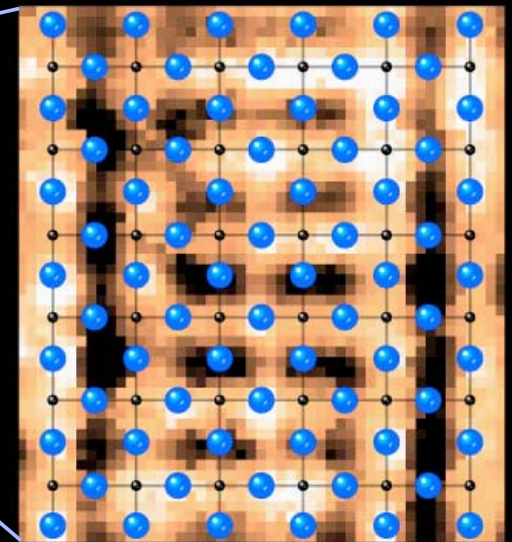
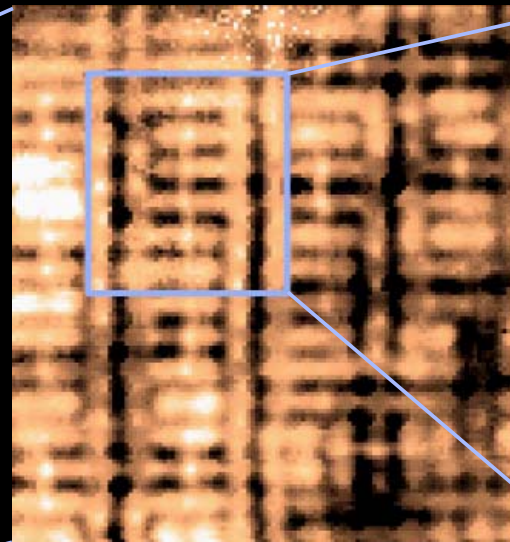
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R map (150 mV)



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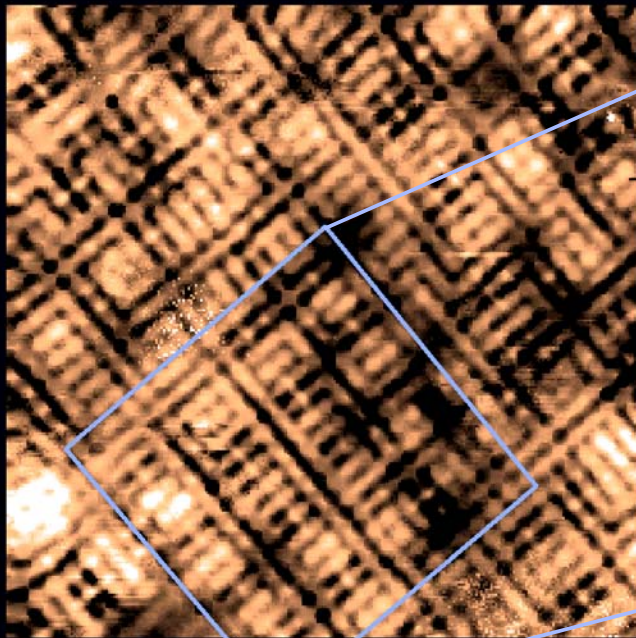


$4a_0$



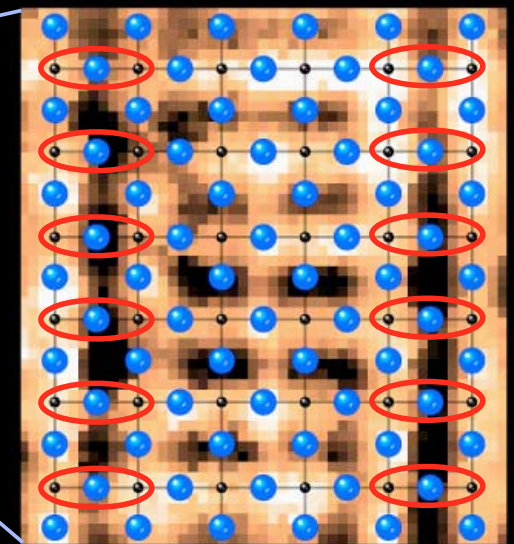
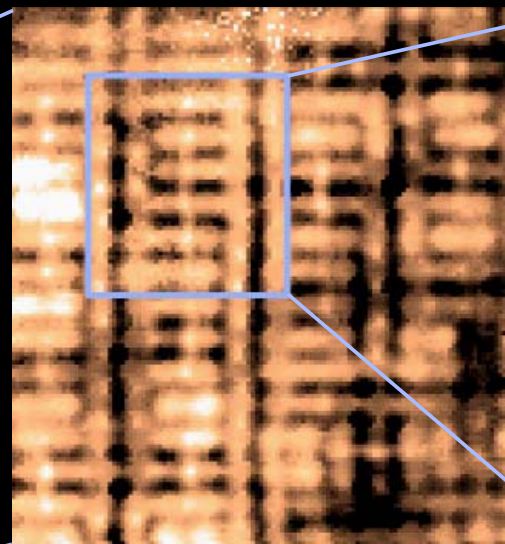
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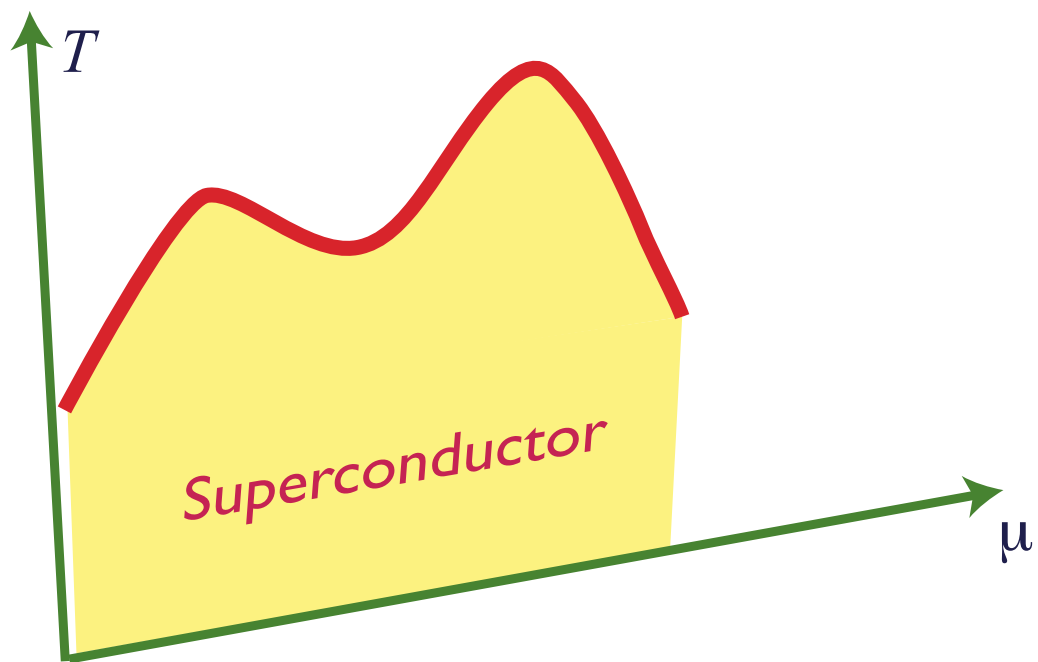
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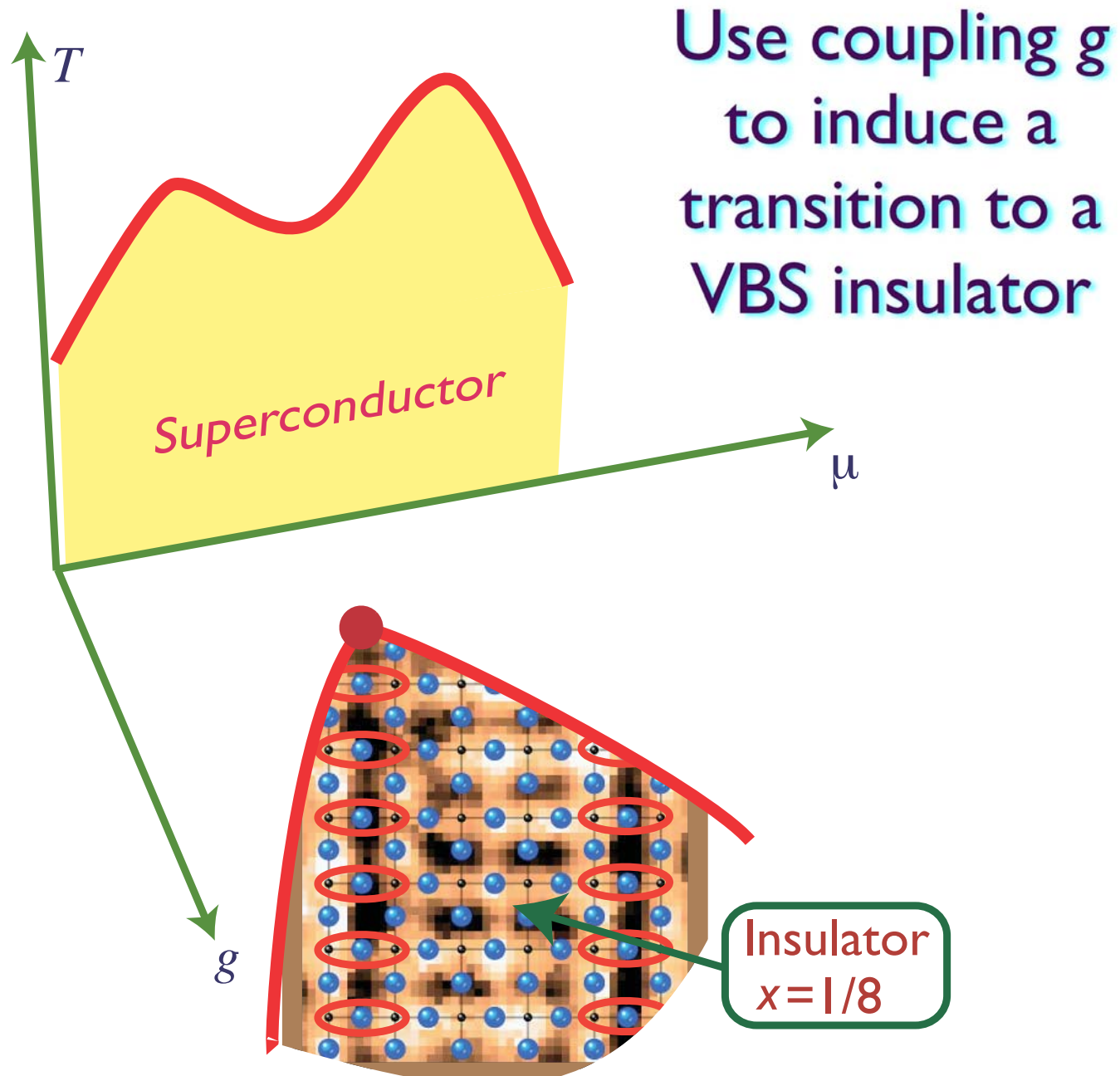


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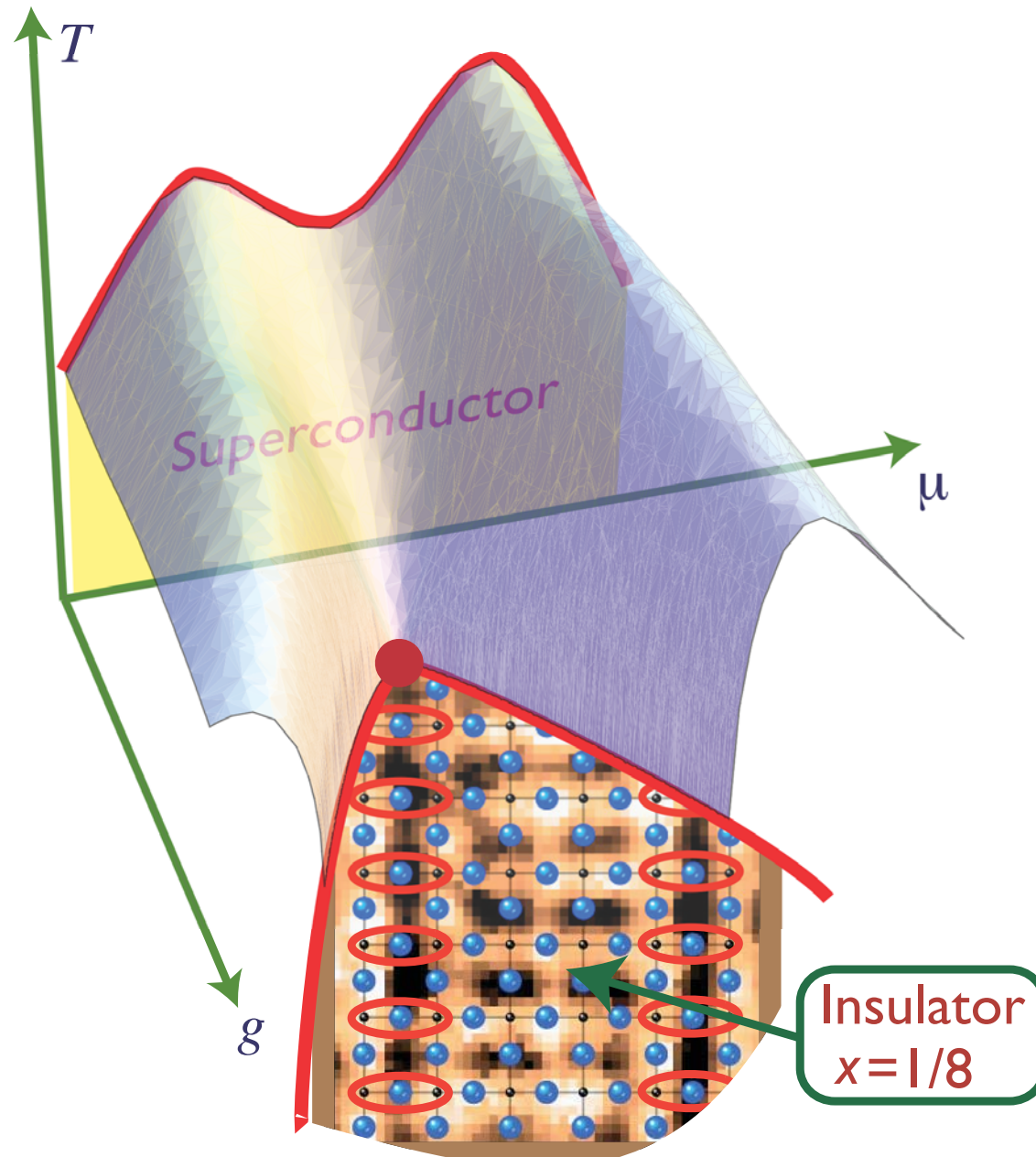
## Evidence for VBS order - a valence bond supersolid

S. Sachdev and N. Read, *Int. J. Mod. Phys. B* 5, 219 (1991).





# Proposed generalized phase diagram



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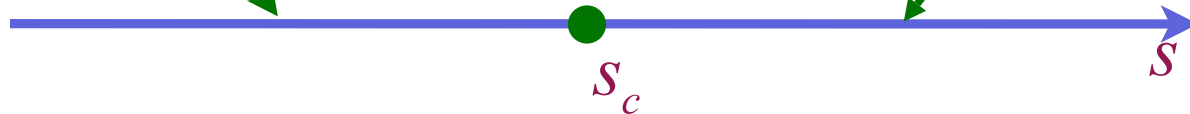
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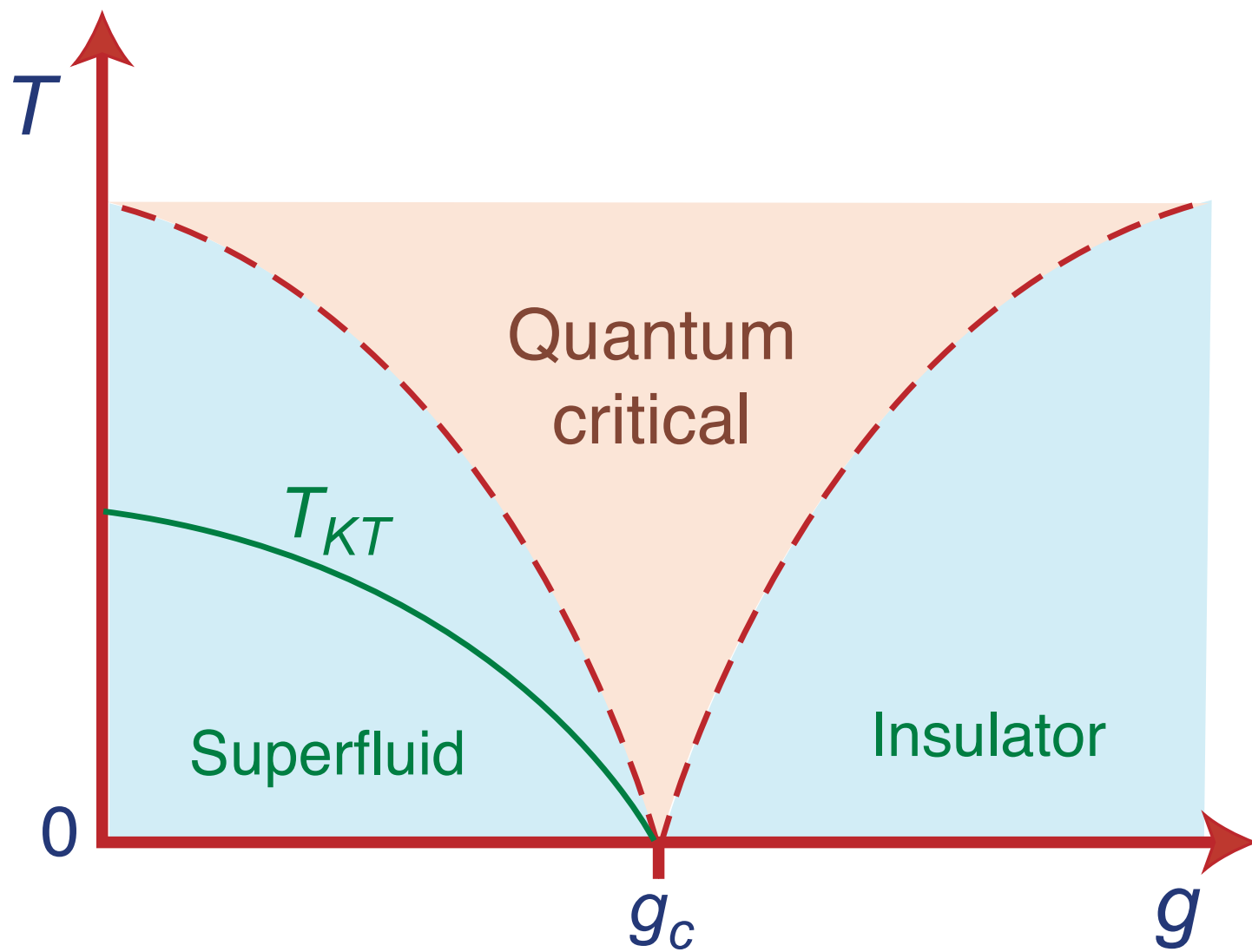
Conformal field theory:  
Wilson-Fisher fixed point

Superfluid  
 $\langle \psi \rangle \neq 0$   
 $\sigma = \infty$

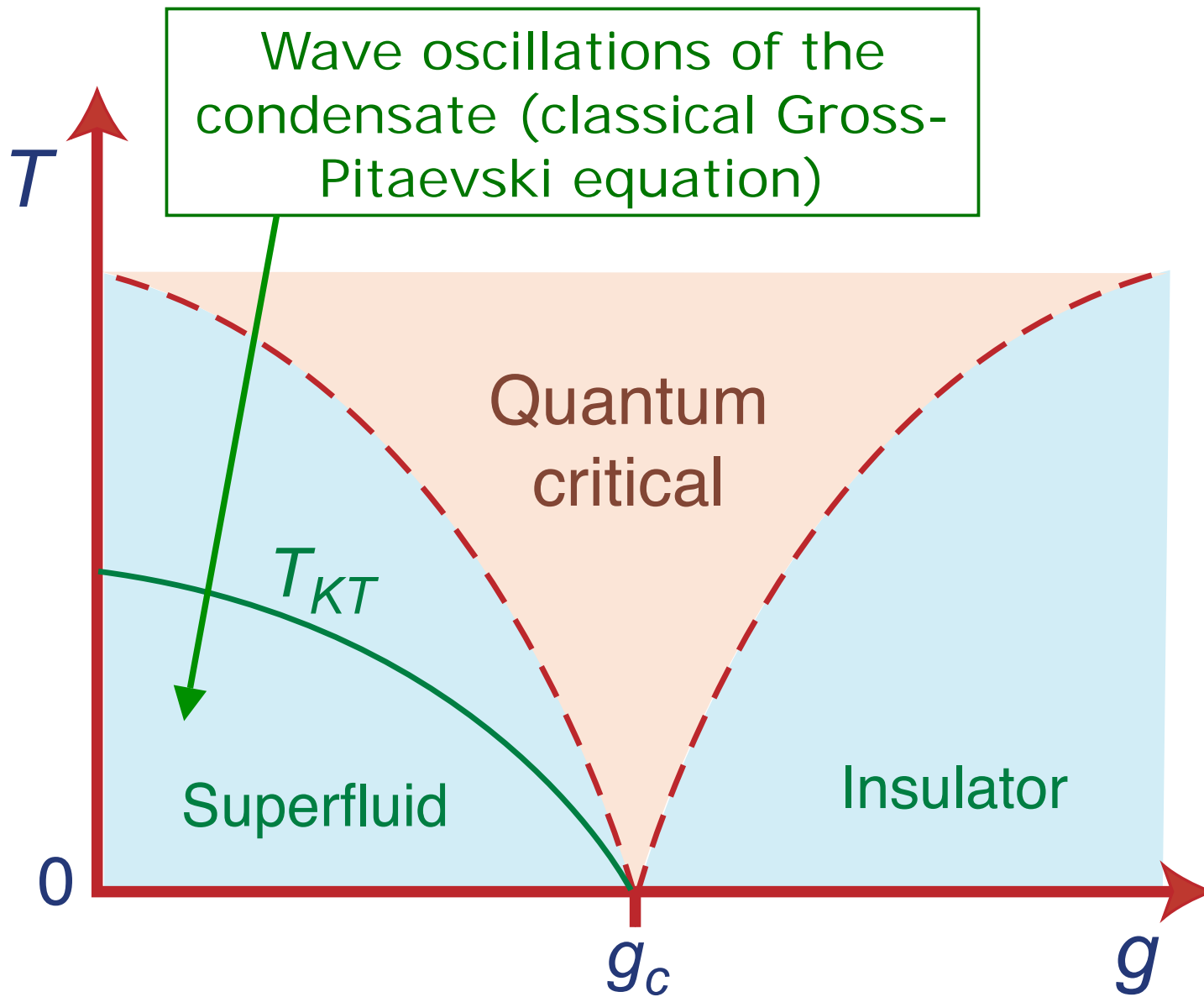
Insulator  
 $\langle \psi \rangle = 0$   
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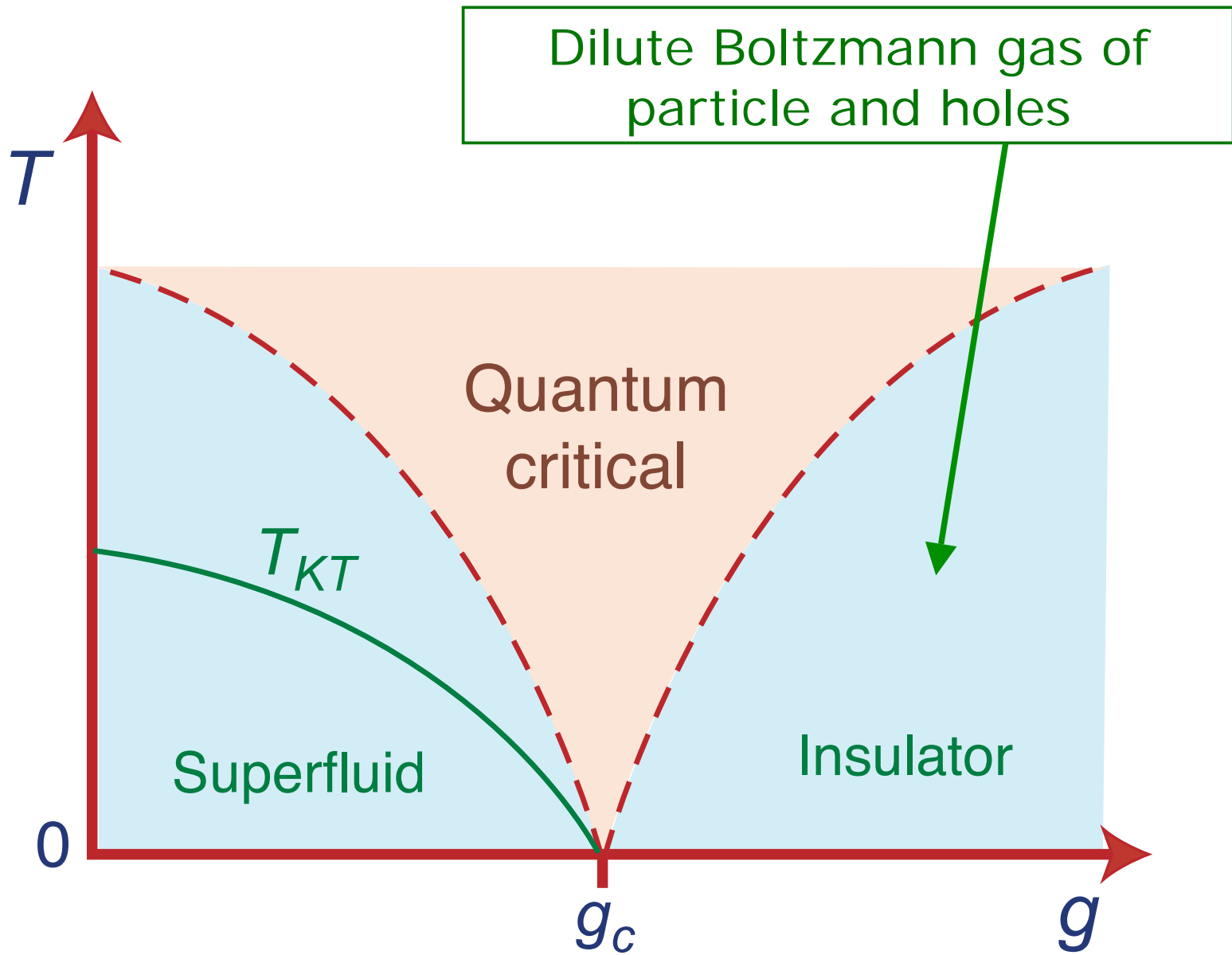


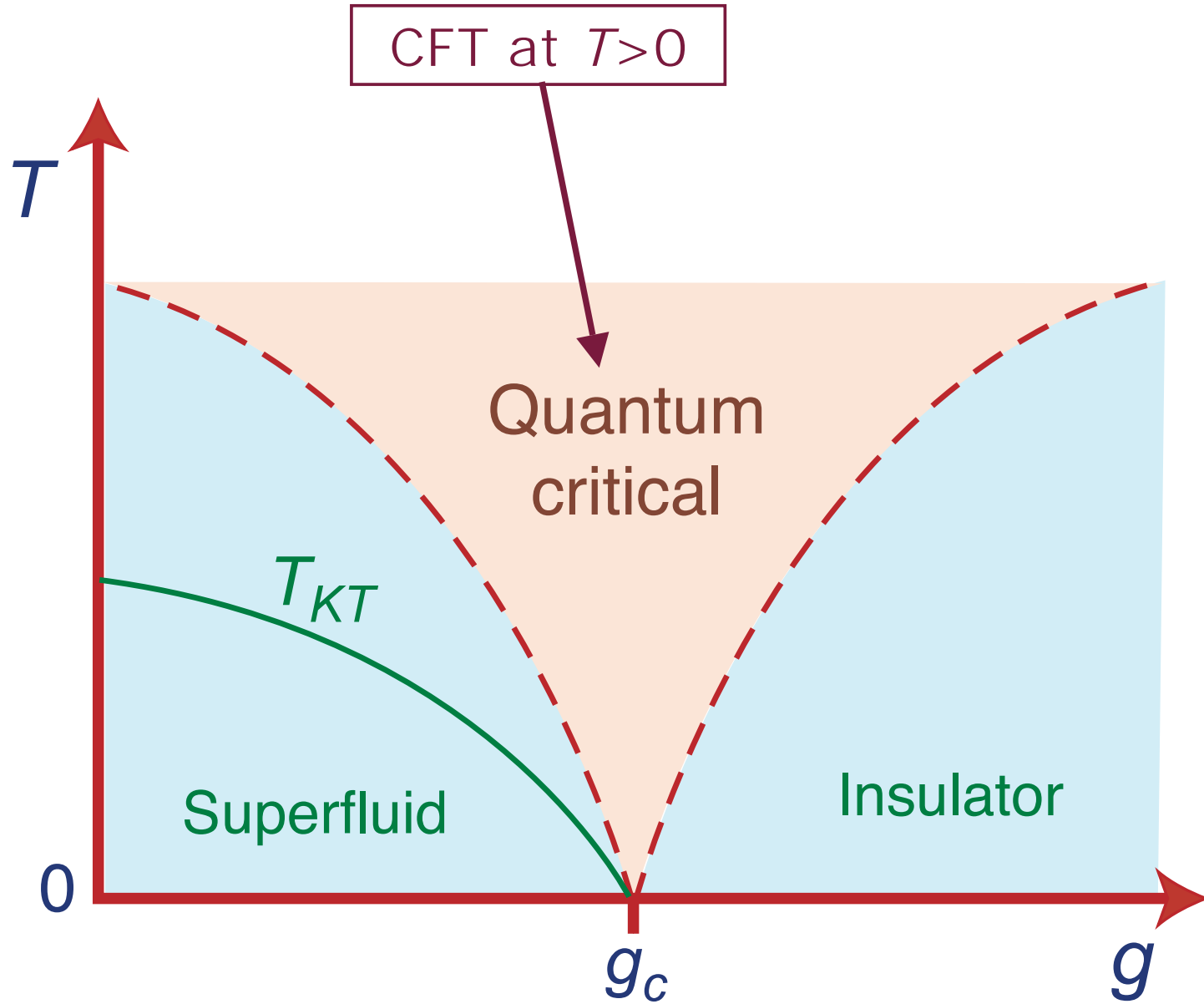
$$\mathcal{S} = \int d^2r d\tau \left[ |\partial_\tau \psi|^2 + c^2 |\vec{\nabla} \psi|^2 + s |\psi|^2 + \frac{u}{2} |\psi|^4 \right]$$











# Resistivity of Bi films

## Conductivity $\sigma$

$$\sigma_{\text{Superconductor}}(T \rightarrow 0) = \infty$$

$$\sigma_{\text{Insulator}}(T \rightarrow 0) = 0$$

$$\sigma_{\text{Quantum critical point}}(T \rightarrow 0) \approx \frac{4e^2}{h}$$

D. B. Haviland, Y. Liu, and A. M. Goldman,  
*Phys. Rev. Lett.* **62**, 2180 (1989)

M. P. A. Fisher, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **65**, 923 (1990)

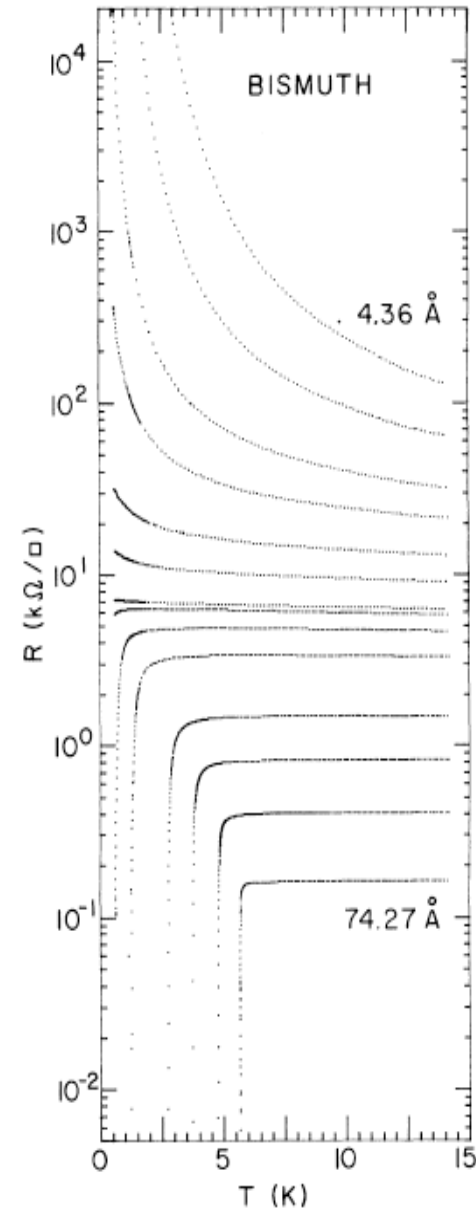


FIG. 1. Evolution of the temperature dependence of the sheet resistance  $R(T)$  with thickness for a Bi film deposited onto Ge. Fewer than half of the traces actually acquired are shown. Film thicknesses shown range from 4.36 to 74.27 Å.

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Two-point density correlator,  $\chi(k, \omega)$

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For *all* CFT2s, at all  $\hbar\omega/k_B T$

$$\chi(k, \omega) = \frac{4e^2}{h} K \frac{vk^2}{v^2k^2 - \omega^2} ; \quad \sigma(\omega) = \frac{4e^2}{h} \frac{Kv}{-i\omega}$$

where  $K$  is a universal number characterizing the CFT2 (the level number), and  $v$  is the velocity of “light”.

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**However**, for *all* CFT3s, at  $\hbar\omega \ll k_B T$ , we have the Einstein relation

$$\chi(k, \omega) = 4e^2 \chi_c \frac{Dk^2}{Dk^2 - i\omega} \quad ; \quad \sigma(\omega) = 4e^2 D \chi_c = \frac{4e^2}{h} \Theta_1 \Theta_2$$

where the **compressibility**,  $\chi_c$ , and the **diffusion constant**  $D$  obey

$$\chi = \frac{k_B T}{(h v)^2} \Theta_1 \quad ; \quad D = \frac{h v^2}{k_B T} \Theta_2$$

with  $\Theta_1$  and  $\Theta_2$  universal numbers characteristic of the CFT3

K. Damle and S. Sachdev, *Phys. Rev. B* **56**, 8714 (1997).

## Density correlations in CFTs at $T > 0$

In CFTs collisions are “phase” randomizing, and lead to relaxation to local thermodynamic equilibrium. So there is a crossover from collisionless behavior for  $\hbar\omega \gg k_B T$ , to hydrodynamic behavior for  $\hbar\omega \ll k_B T$ .

$$\sigma(\omega) = \begin{cases} \frac{4e^2}{h} K & , \quad \hbar\omega \gg k_B T \\ \frac{4e^2}{h} \Theta_1 \Theta_2 & , \quad \hbar\omega \ll k_B T \end{cases}$$

and in general we expect  $K \neq \Theta_1 \Theta_2$  (verified for Wilson-Fisher fixed point).



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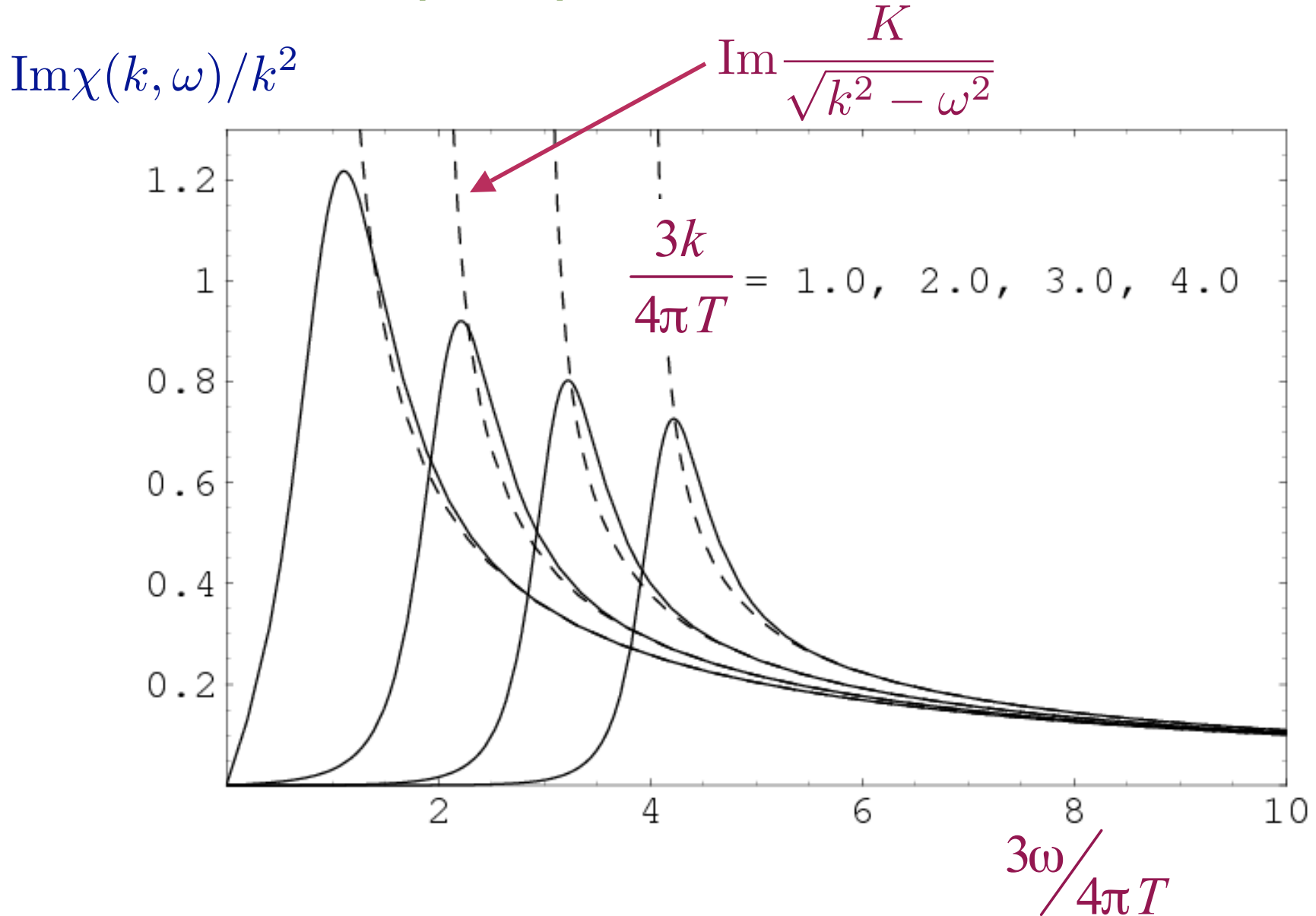
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## SU( $N$ ) SYM3 with $\mathcal{N} = 8$ supersymmetry

- Has a single dimensionful coupling constant,  $g$ , which flows to a strong-coupling fixed point  $g = g^*$  in the infrared.
- The CFT3 describing this fixed point resembles “critical spin liquid” theories.
- This CFT3 is the low energy limit of string theory on an M2 brane. The AdS/CFT correspondence provides a dual description using 11-dimensional supergravity on  $\text{AdS}_4 \times S_7$ .
- The CFT3 has a global  $\text{SO}(8)$  R symmetry, and correlators of the  $\text{SO}(8)$  charge density can be computed exactly in the large  $N$  limit, even at  $T > 0$ .

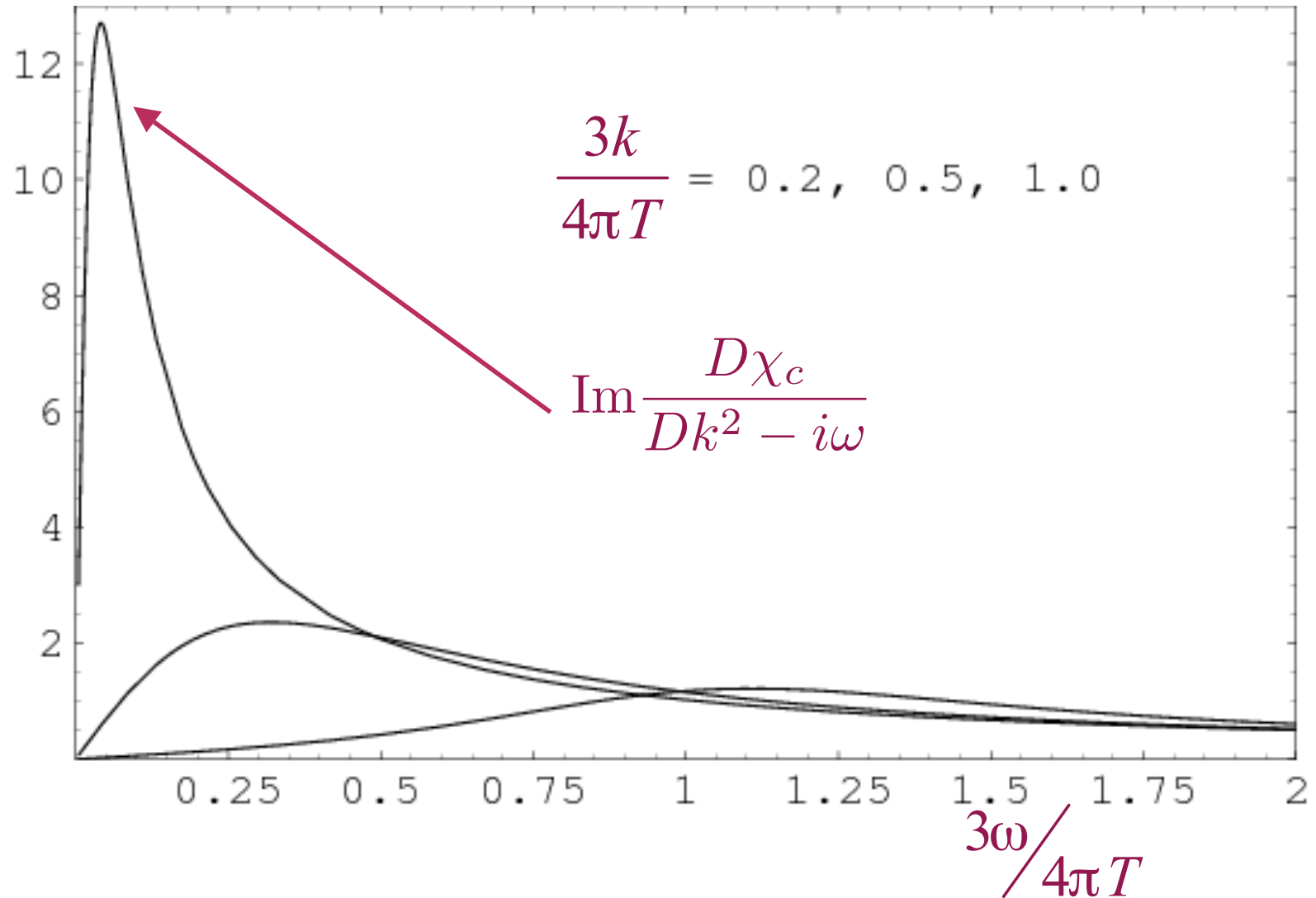
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$\text{Im}\chi(k, \omega)/k^2$



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## Universal constants of SYM3

$$\chi_c = \frac{k_B T}{(h\nu)^2} \Theta_1$$
$$D = \frac{h\nu^2}{k_B T} \Theta_2$$
$$\sigma(\omega) = \begin{cases} \frac{4e^2}{h} K & , \quad \hbar\omega \gg k_B T \\ \frac{4e^2}{h} \Theta_1 \Theta_2 & , \quad \hbar\omega \ll k_B T \end{cases}$$

$$K = \frac{\sqrt{2} N^{3/2}}{3}$$
$$\Theta_1 = \frac{8\pi^2 \sqrt{2} N^{3/2}}{9}$$
$$\Theta_2 = \frac{3}{8\pi^2}$$

C. Herzog, JHEP **0212**, 026 (2002)

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# Electromagnetic self-duality

- Unexpected result,  $K = \Theta_1 \Theta_2$ .
- This is traced to a *four*-dimensional electromagnetic self-duality of the theory on  $\text{AdS}_4$ . In the large  $N$  limit, the  $\text{SO}(8)$  currents decouple into 28  $\text{U}(1)$  currents with a Maxwell action for the  $\text{U}(1)$  gauge fields on  $\text{AdS}_4$ .
- This special property is not expected for generic CFT3s.
- Open question: Does  $K = \Theta_1 \Theta_2$  hold beyond the  $N \rightarrow \infty$  limit? In other words, does this “self-duality” survive in the full M theory.

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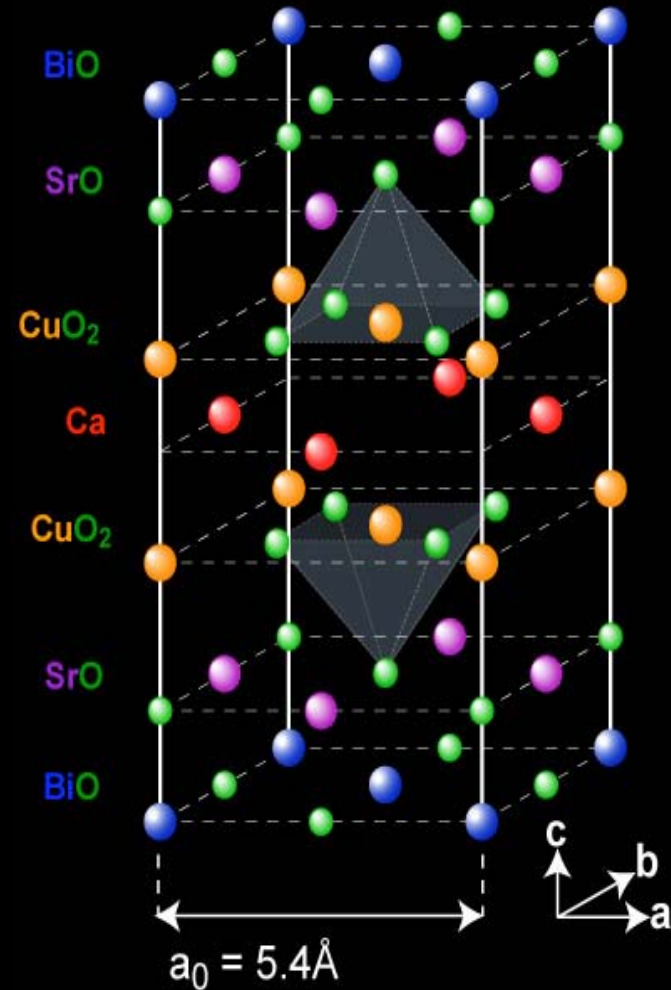
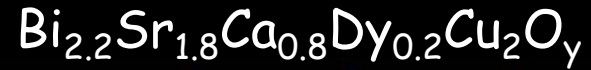
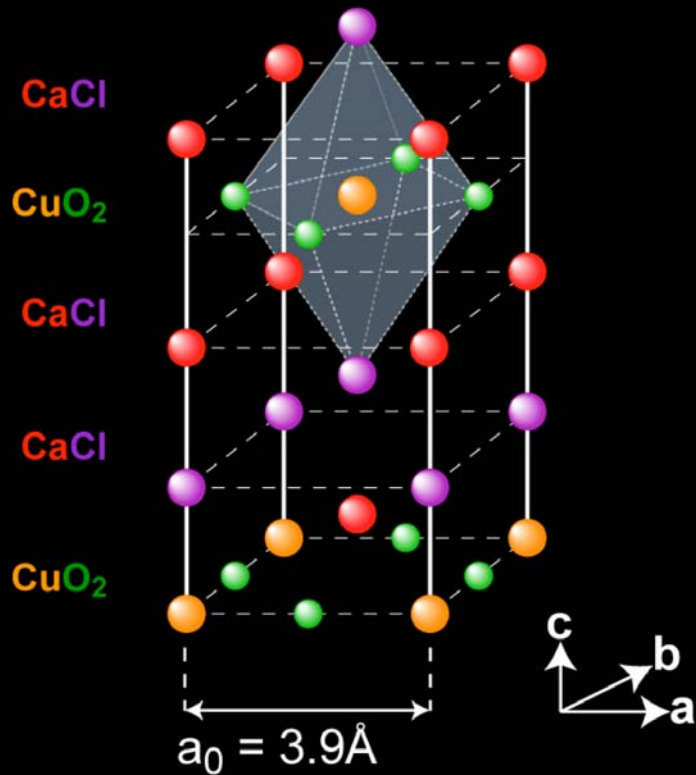
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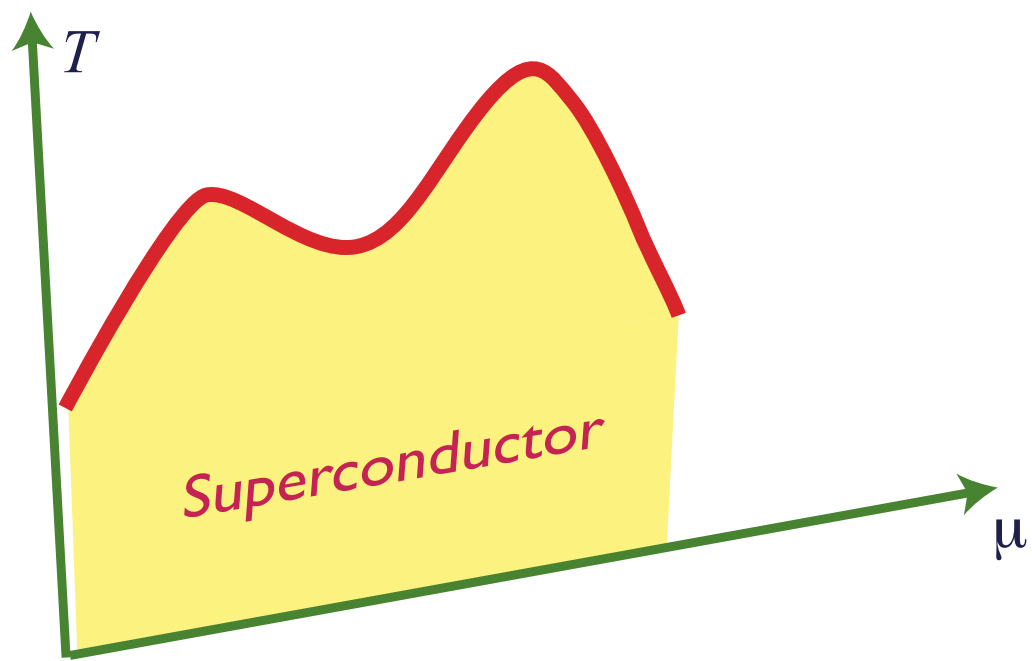
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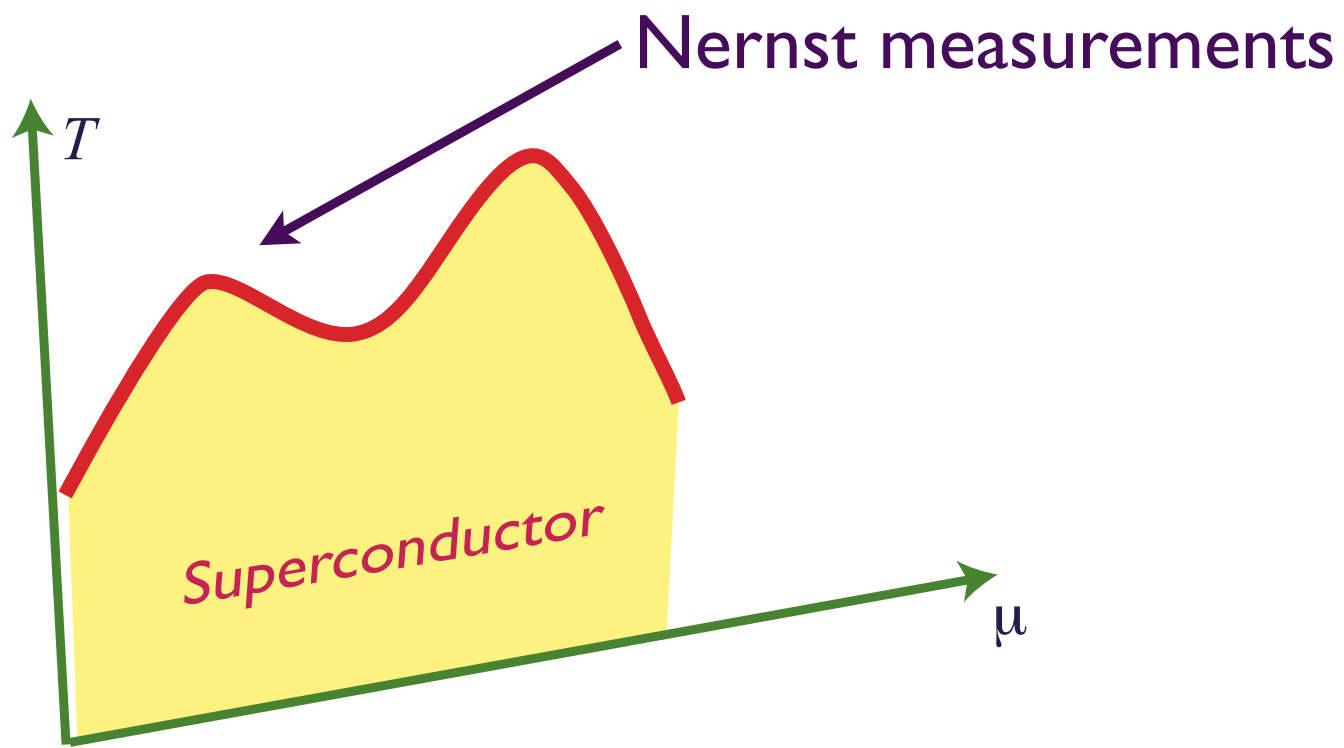
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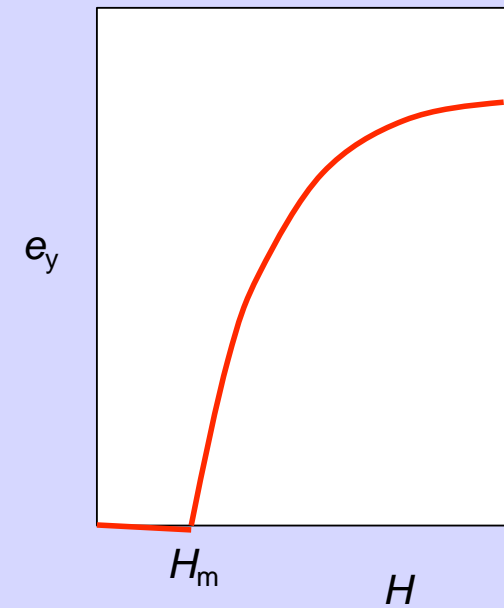
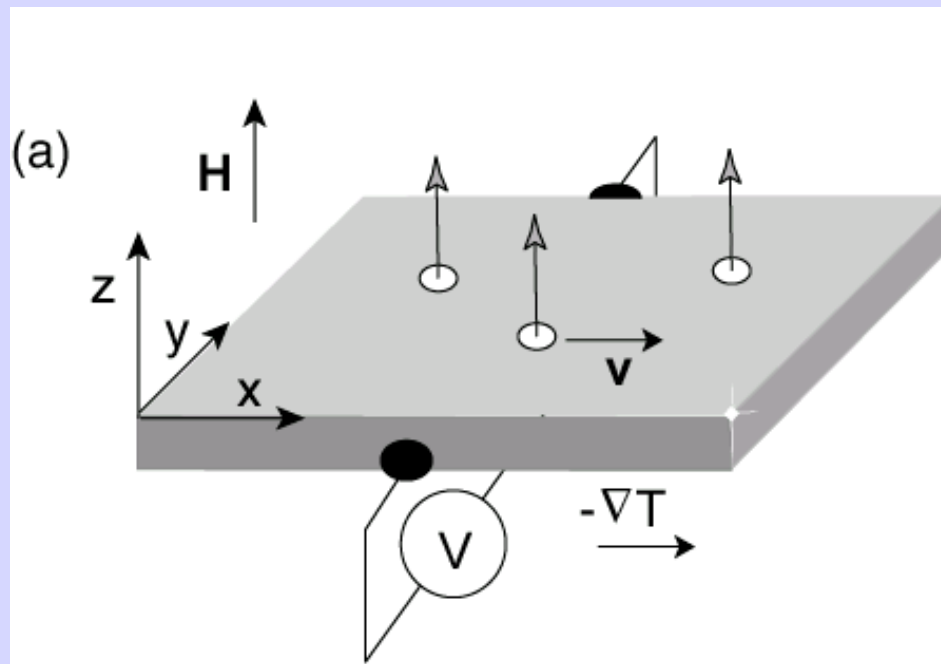
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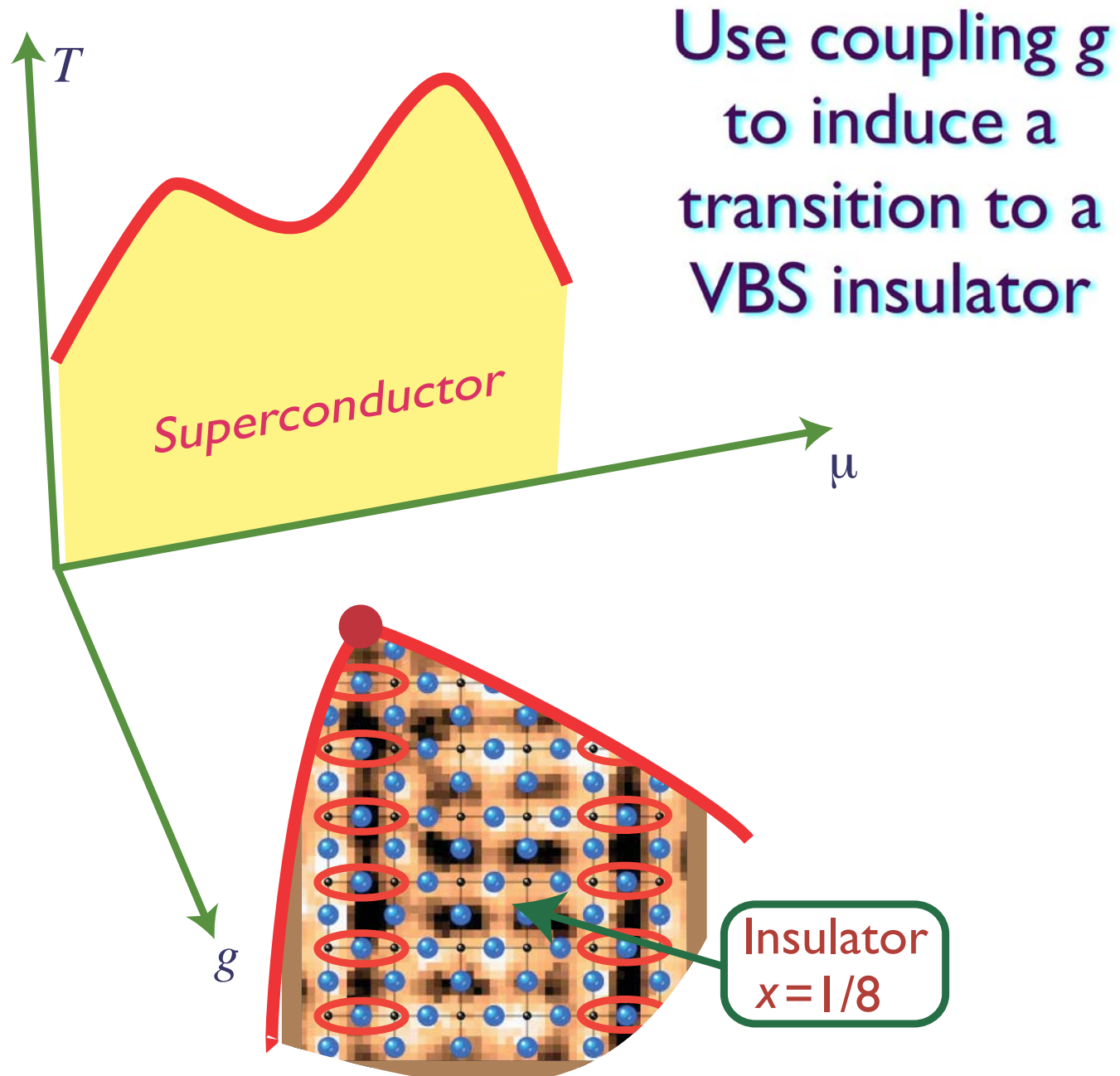




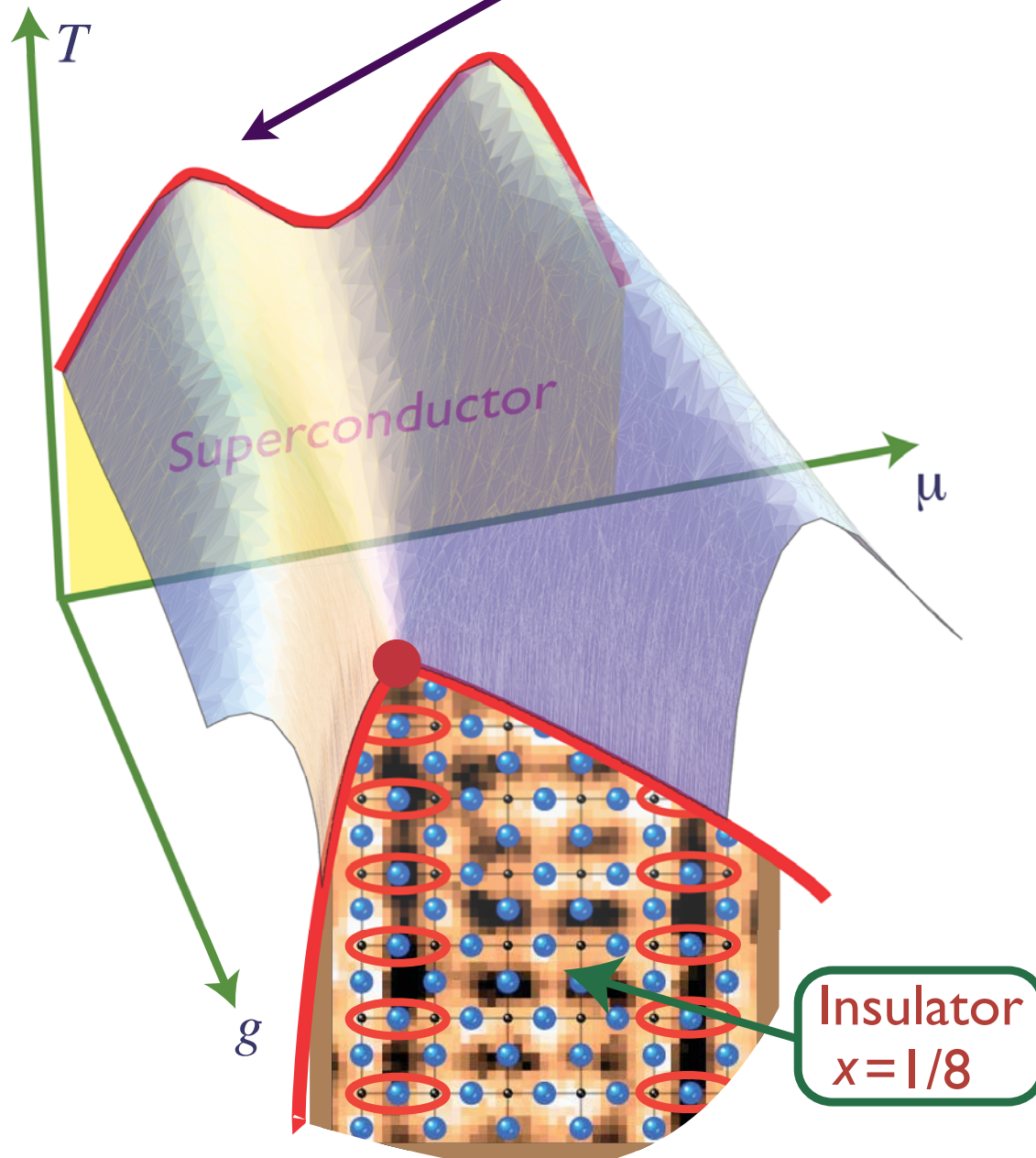


# Nernst experiment





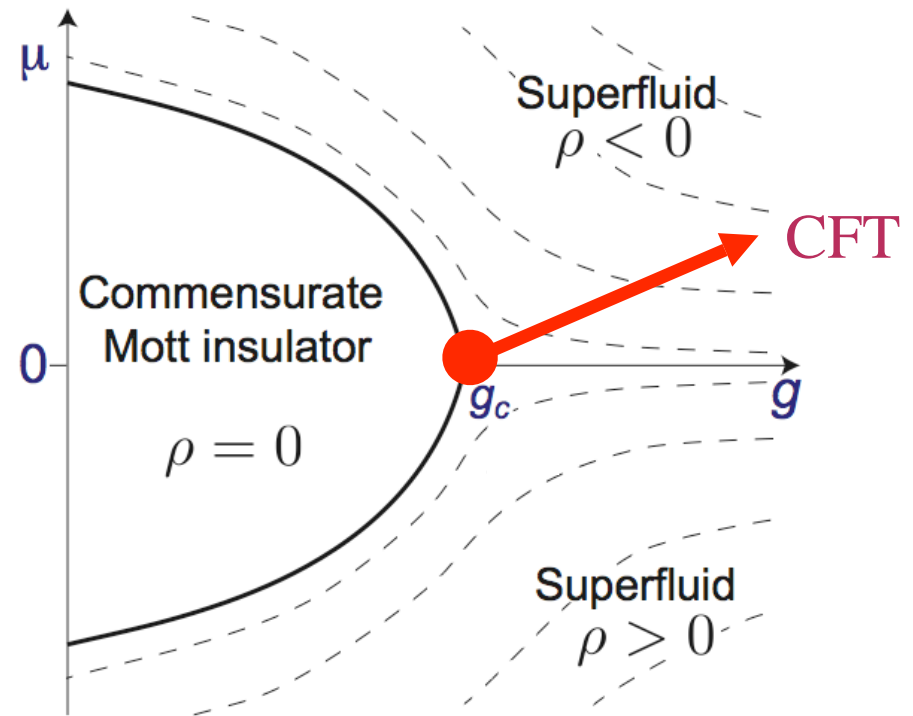
Nernst measurements



For experimental applications, we must move away from the ideal CFT

- A chemical potential  $\mu$
- A magnetic field  $B$

In the gravity dual theory, these perturbations correspond to electric and magnetic charges on the black hole



e.g.

$$\mathcal{S} = \int d^2r d\tau \left[ |(\partial_\tau - \mu)\psi|^2 + v^2 |(\vec{\nabla} - i\vec{A})\psi|^2 - g|\psi|^2 + \frac{u}{2}|\psi|^4 \right]$$

$$\nabla \times \vec{A} = B$$



In the hydrodynamic regime,  $\hbar\omega \ll k_B T$ , we can use classical principles involving relaxation to local equilibrium to understand these perturbations.

The variables entering the hydrodynamic theory are

- the external magnetic field  $F^{\mu\nu}$ ,

$$F^{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & B \\ 0 & -B & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

- $T^{\mu\nu}$ , the stress energy tensor,
- $J^\mu$ , the current,
- $\rho$ , the local number density,
- $\varepsilon$ , the local energy density,
- $P$ , the local pressure,
- $u^\mu$ , the local velocity, and
- $\sigma_Q$ , a universal conductivity, which is the **single transport co-efficient**.

The dependence of  $\varepsilon$ ,  $P$ ,  $\sigma_Q$  on  $T$  and  $v$  follows from simple scaling arguments

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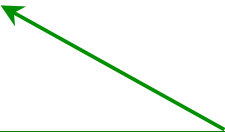
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Constitutive relations which follow from Lorentz transformation to moving frame

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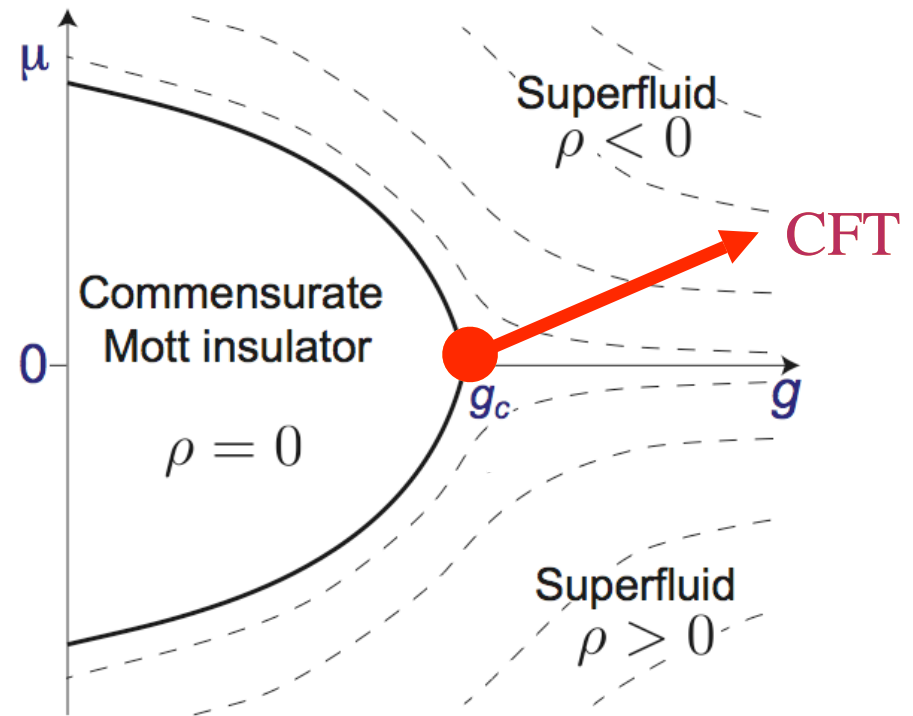
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Single dissipative term allowed by requirement of positive entropy production. There is only one independent transport co-efficient

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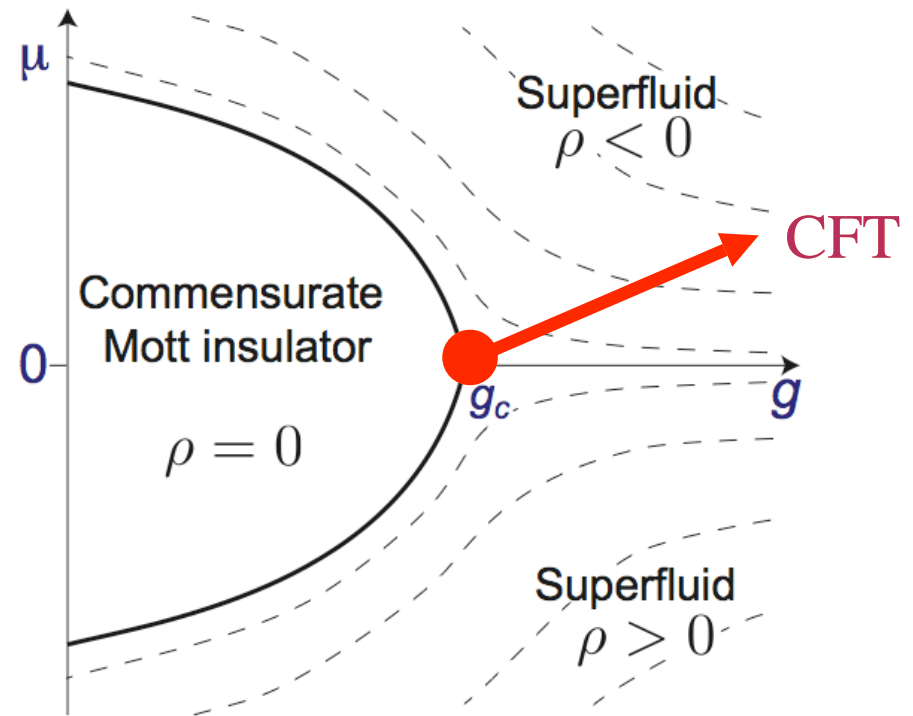
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Transverse thermoelectric co-efficient

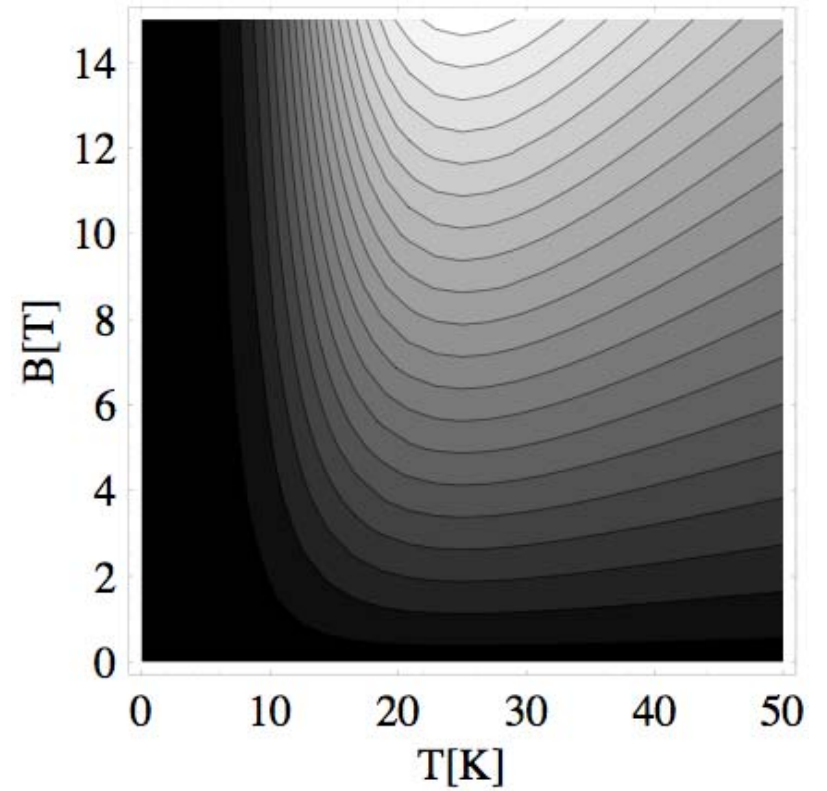
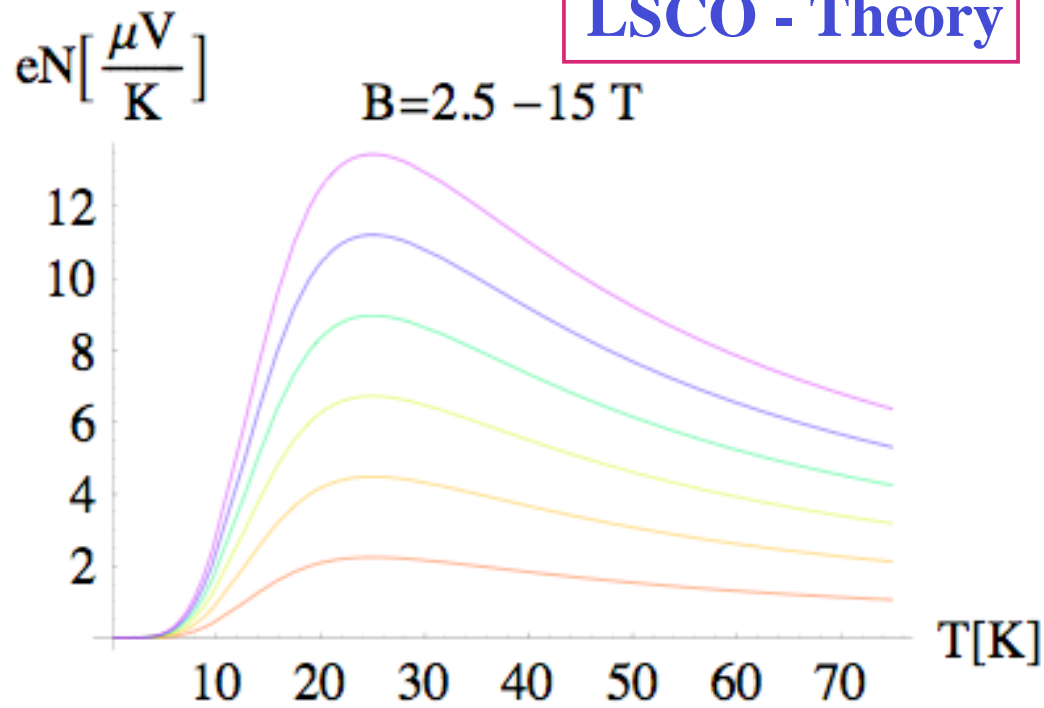
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where

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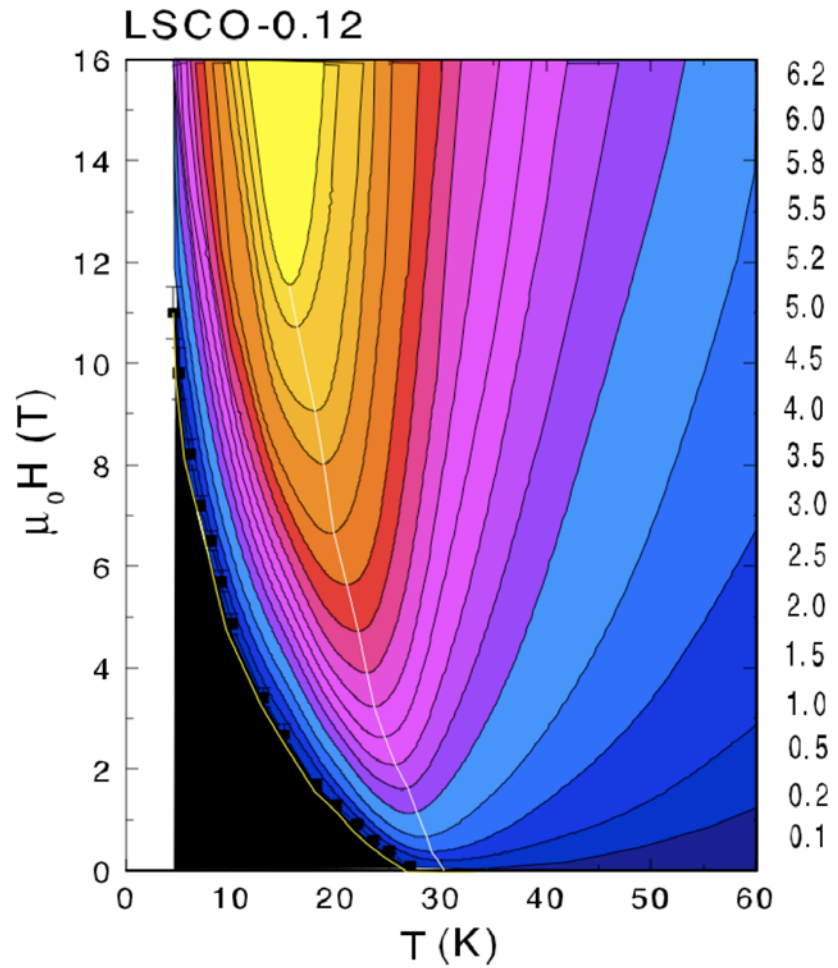
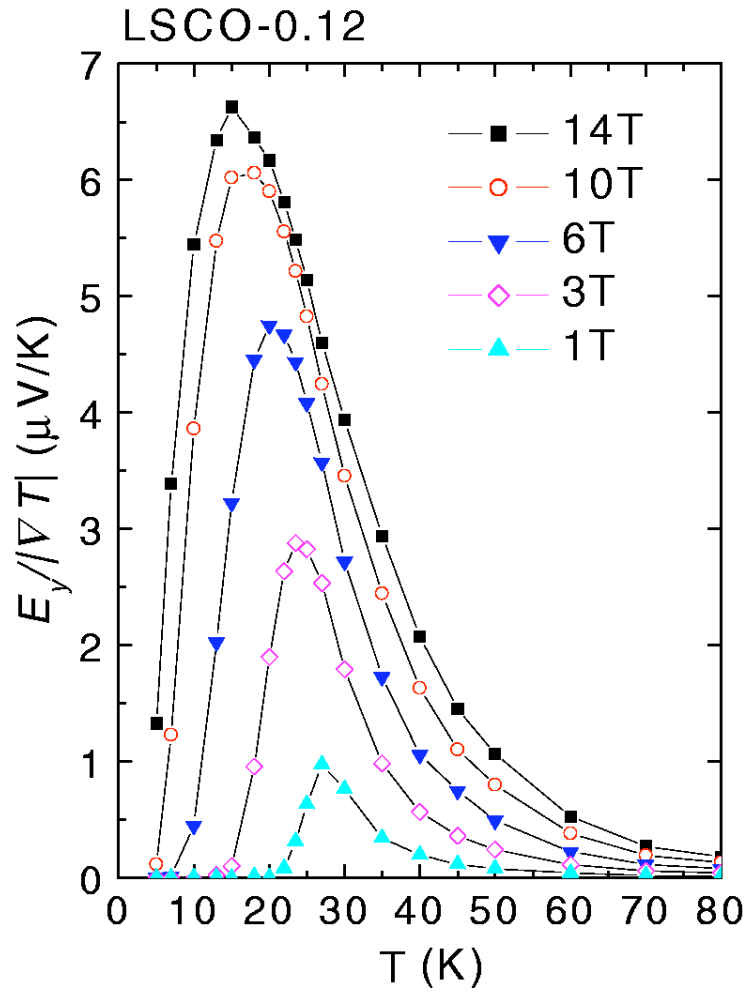


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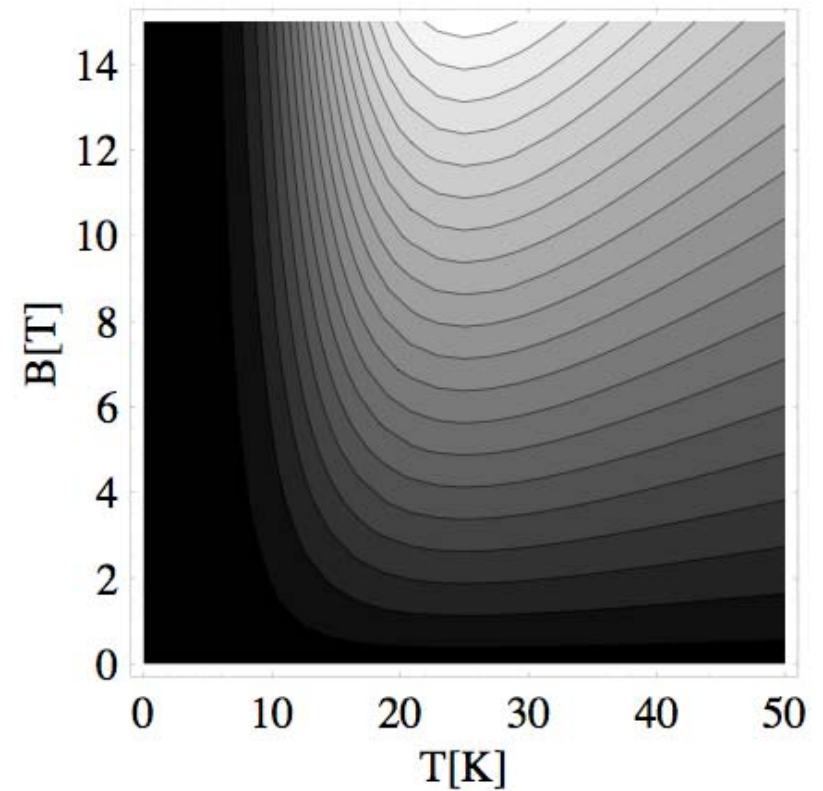
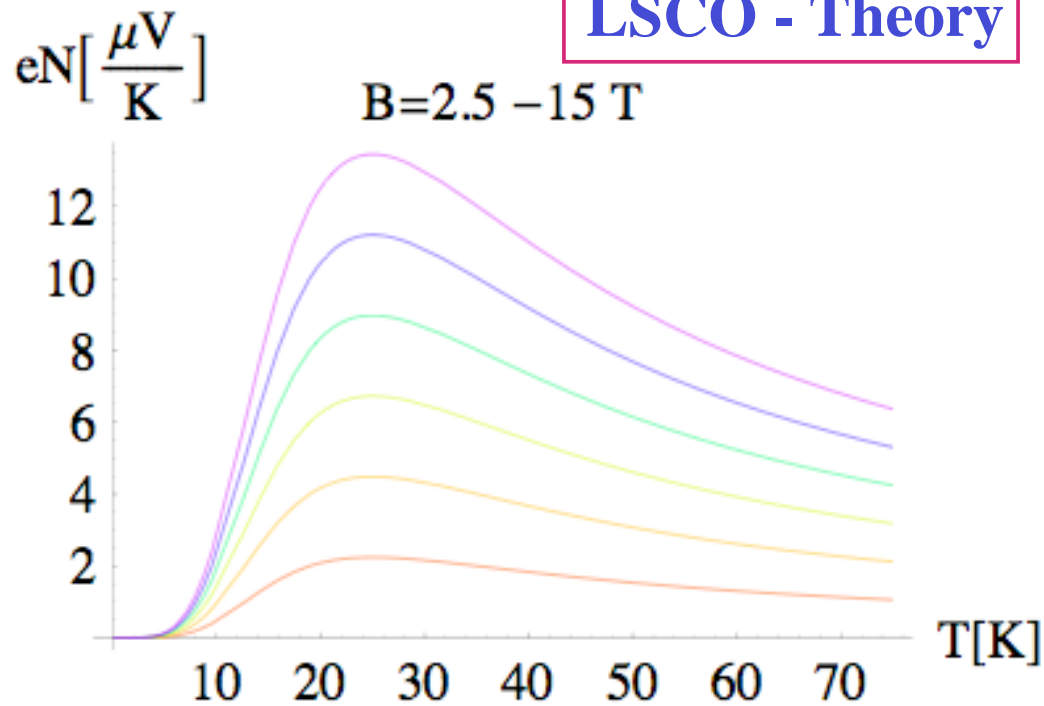
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# LSCO - Experiments



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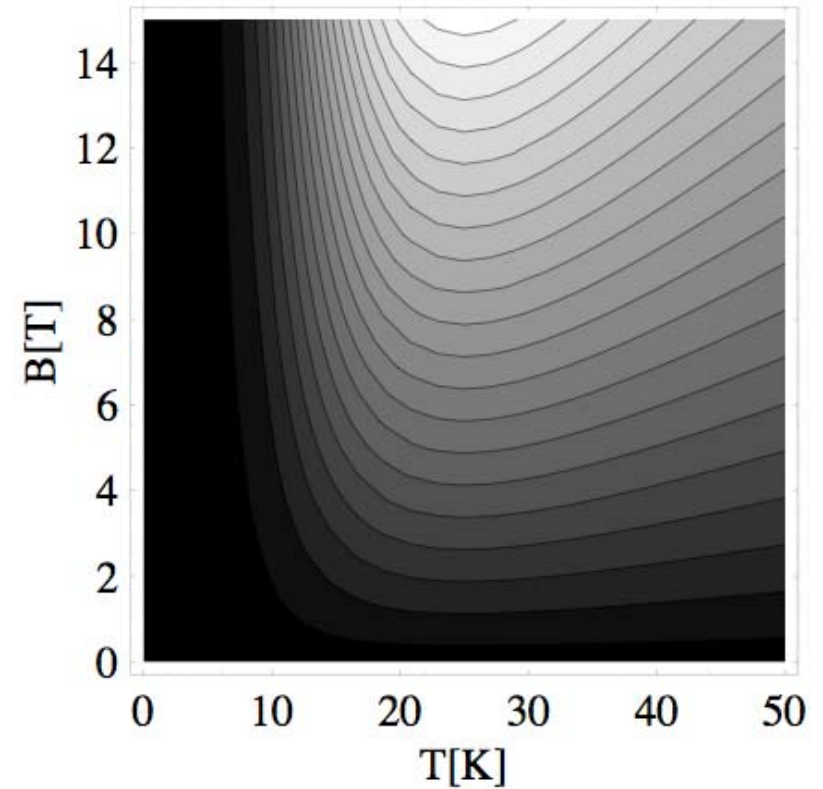
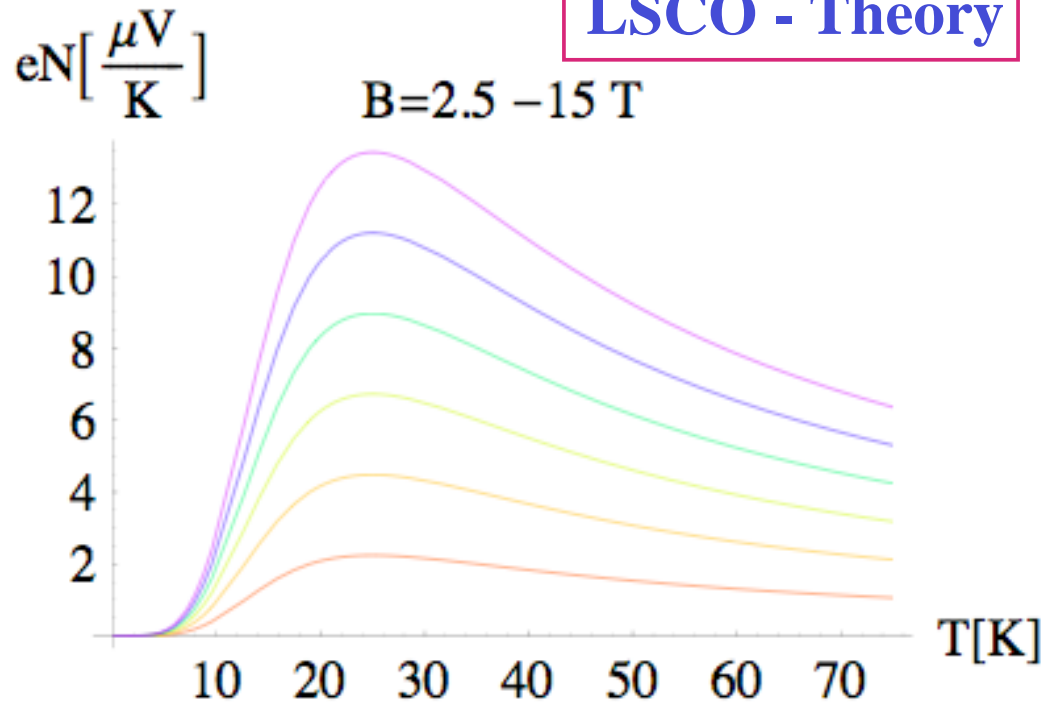
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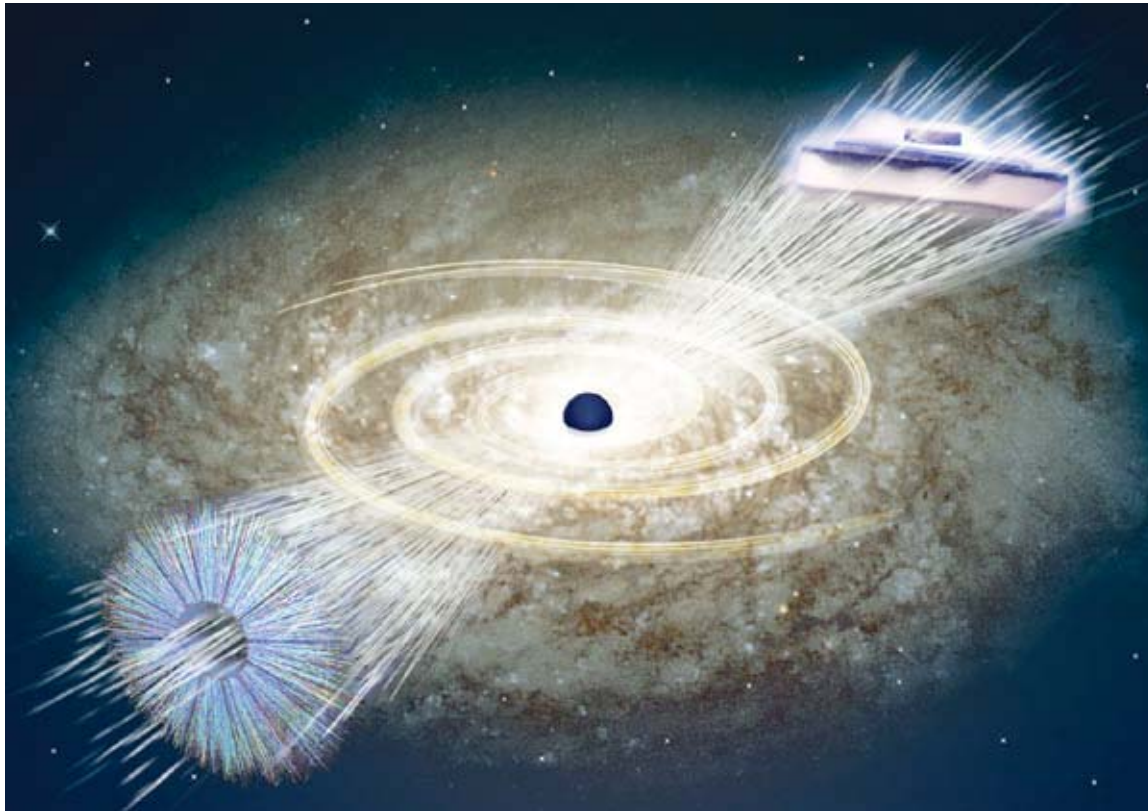
THEORETICAL PHYSICS

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## Conclusions

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