

Quantum criticality and the phase diagram of the cuprates

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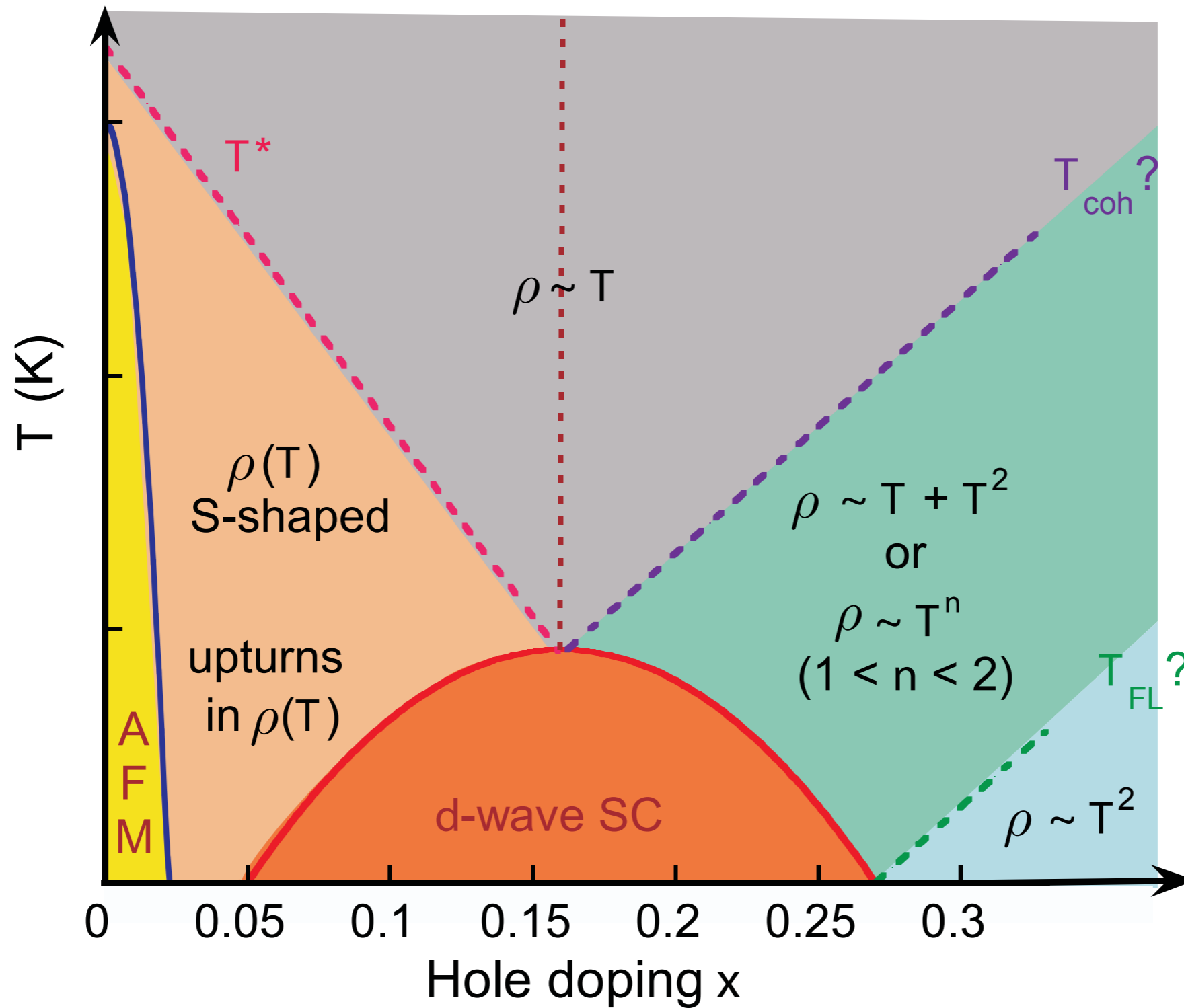
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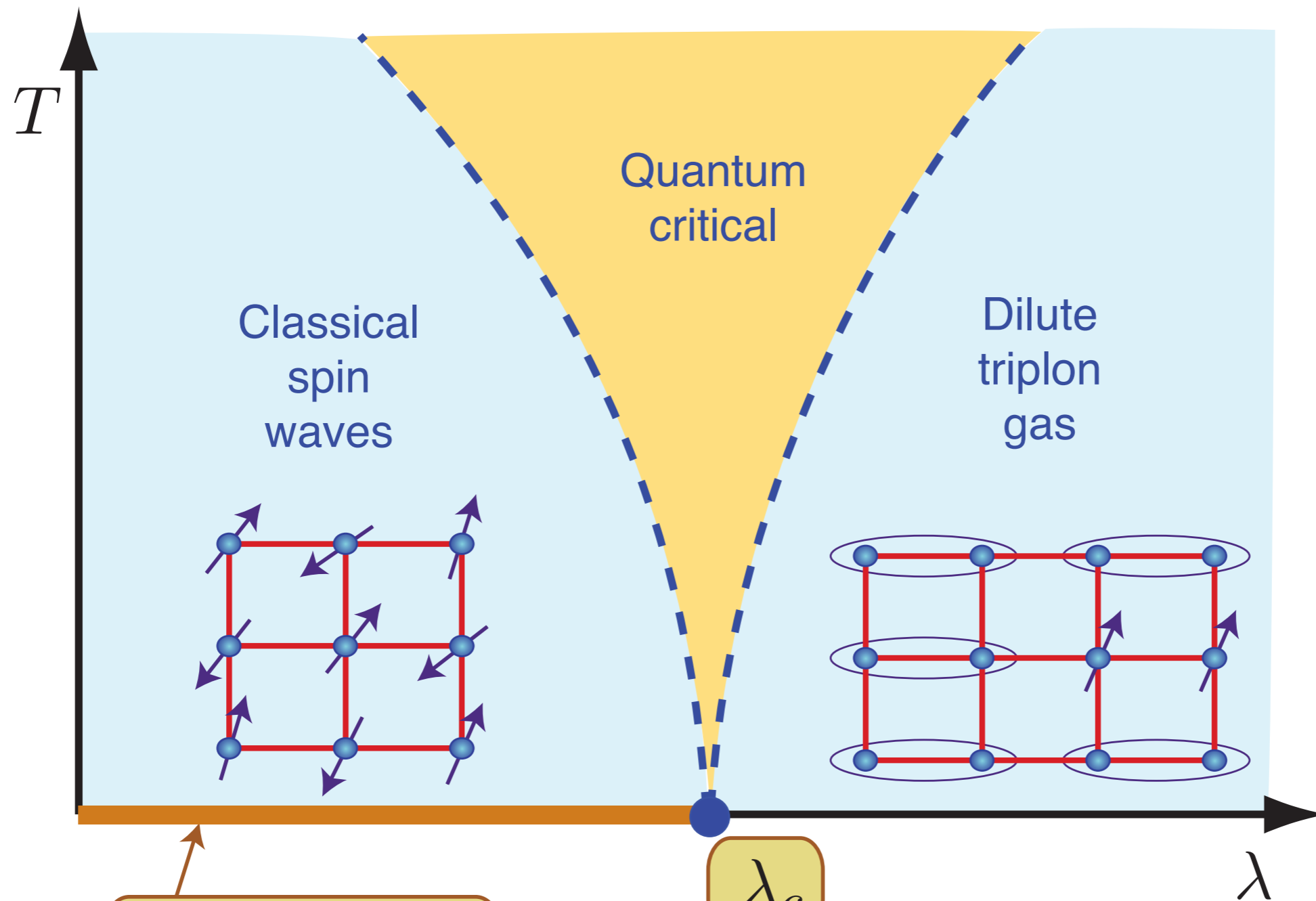
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Crossovers in transport properties of hole-doped cuprates



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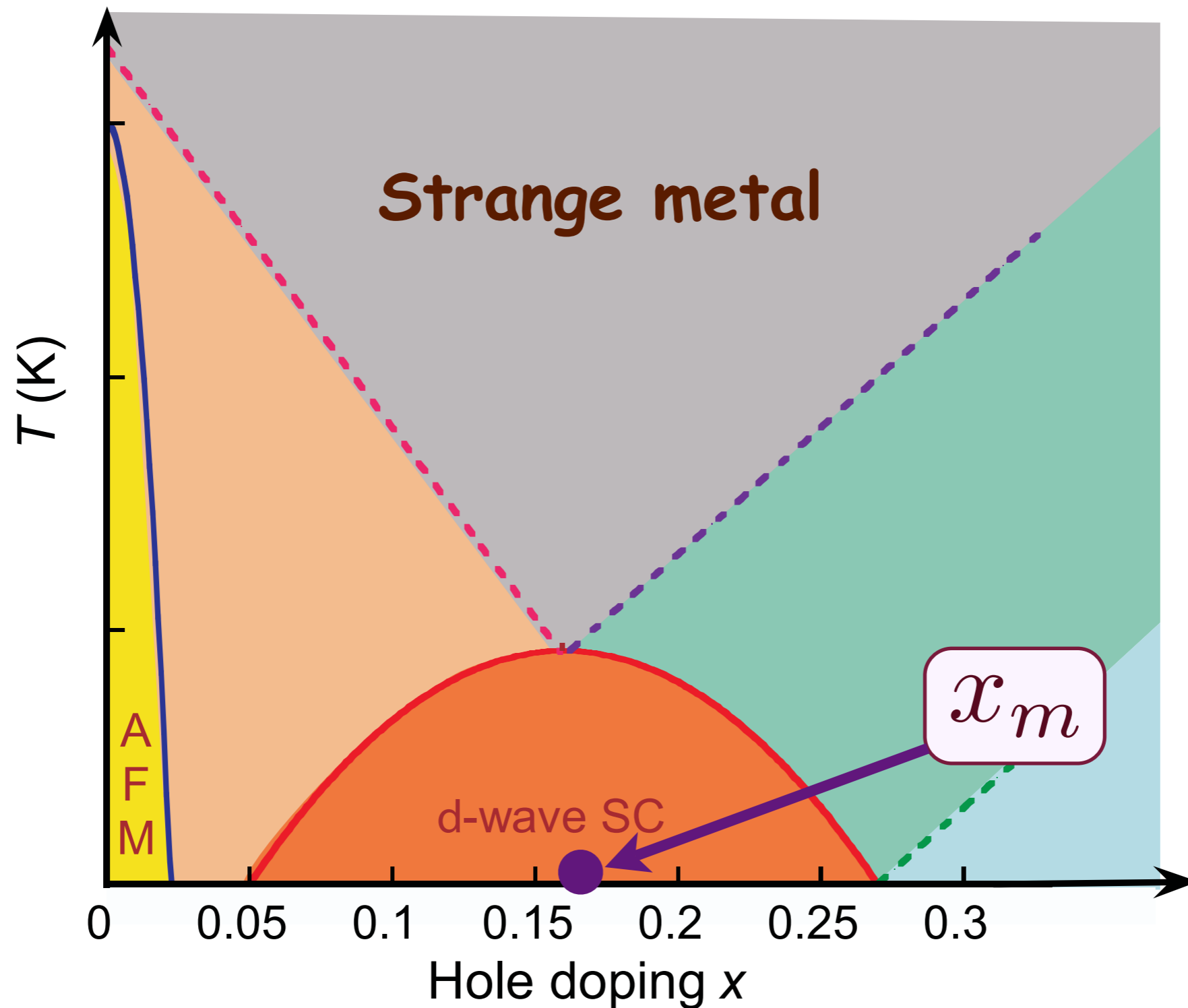
Neel order

λ_c

Pressure in TlCuCl_3

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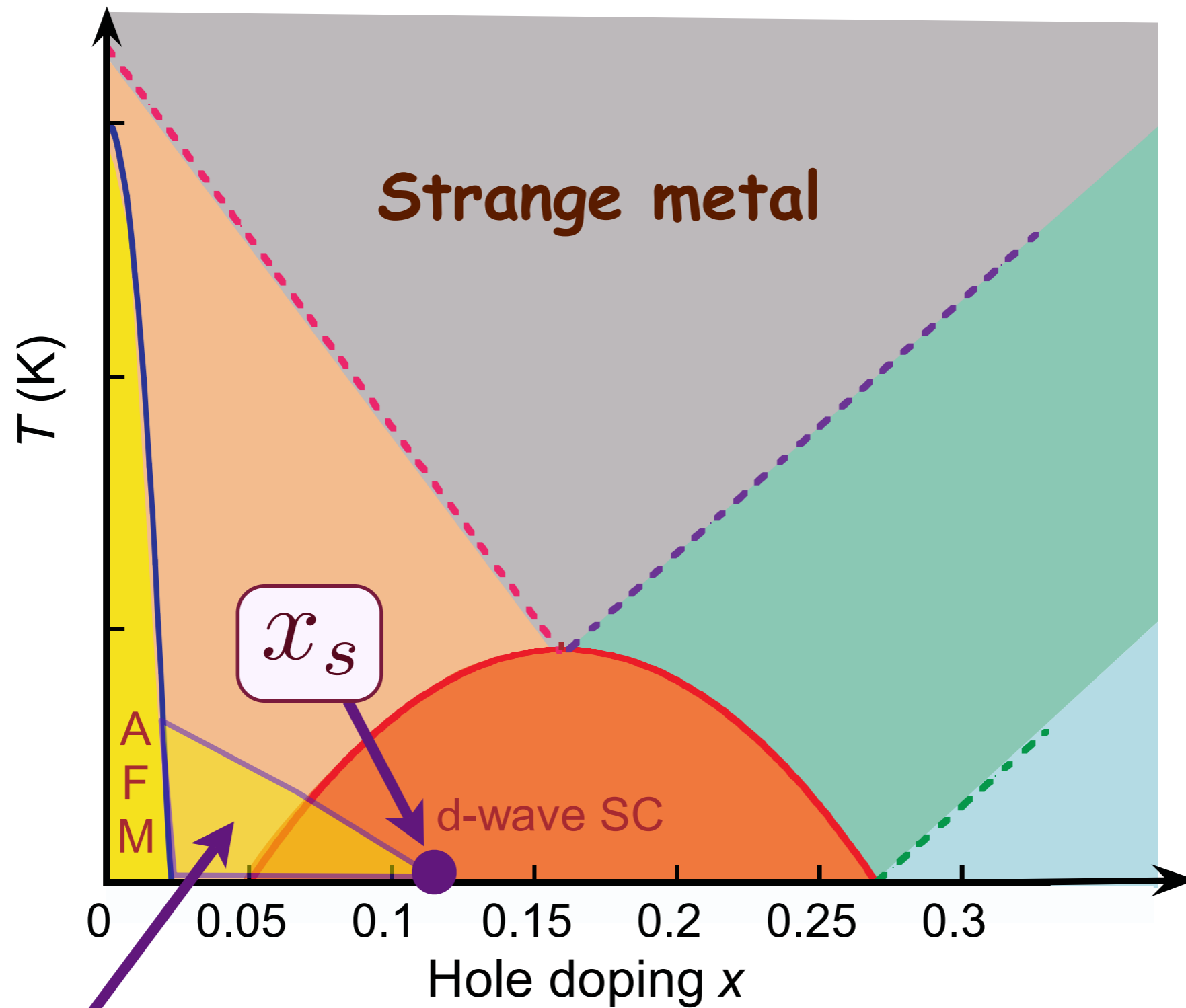
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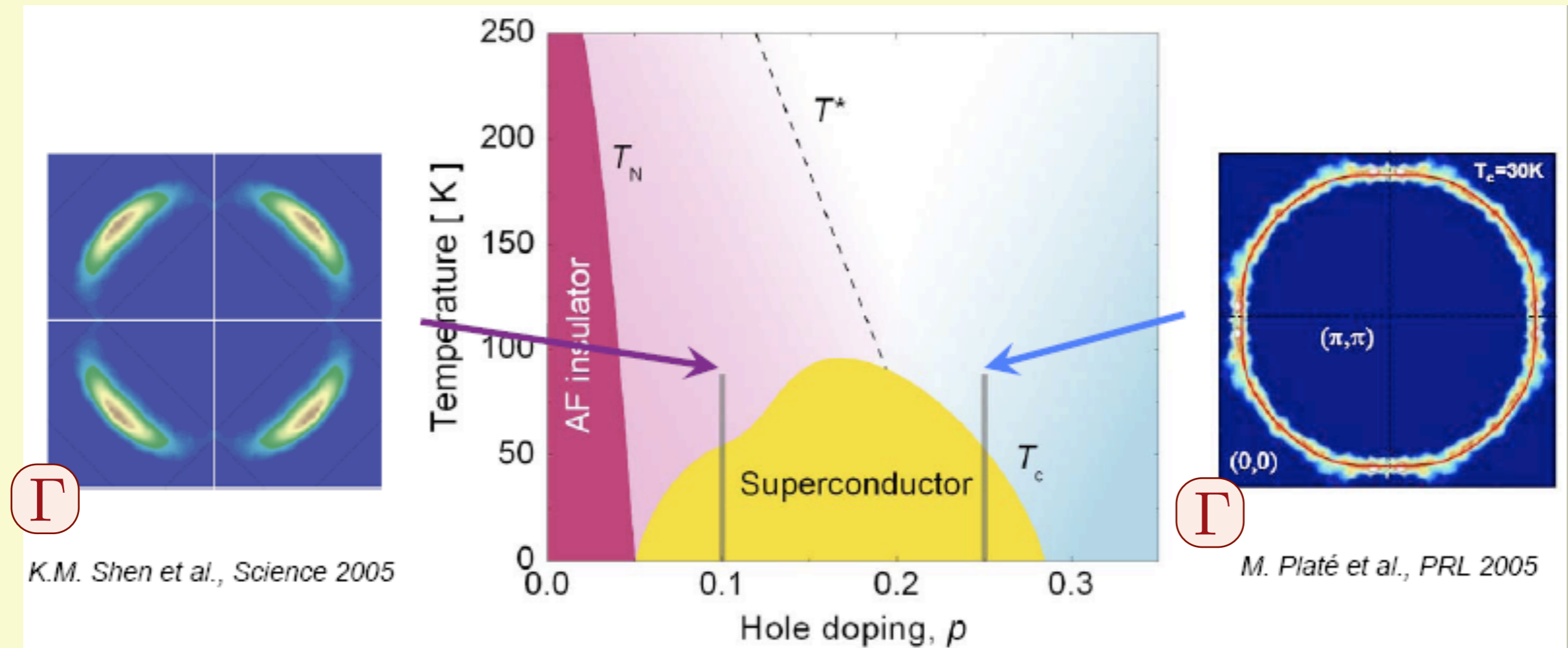
Strange metal: quantum criticality of optimal doping critical point at $x = x_m$?

Only candidate quantum critical point observed at low T



Spin density wave order present below a quantum critical point at $x = x_s$ with $x_s \approx 0.12$ in the La series of cuprates

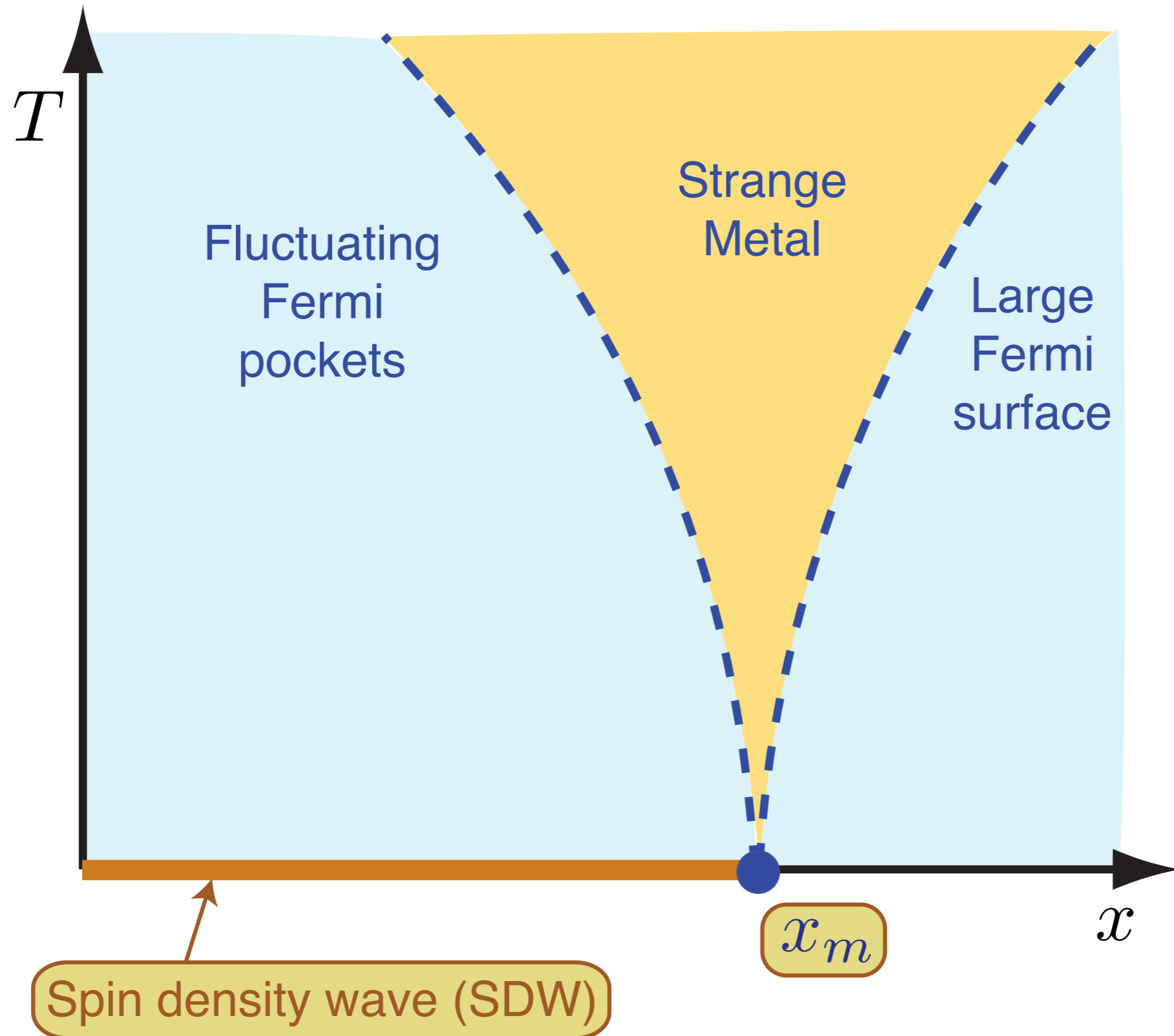
Evolution of the (ARPES) Fermi surface on the cuprate phase diagram



Smaller hole
Fermi-pockets

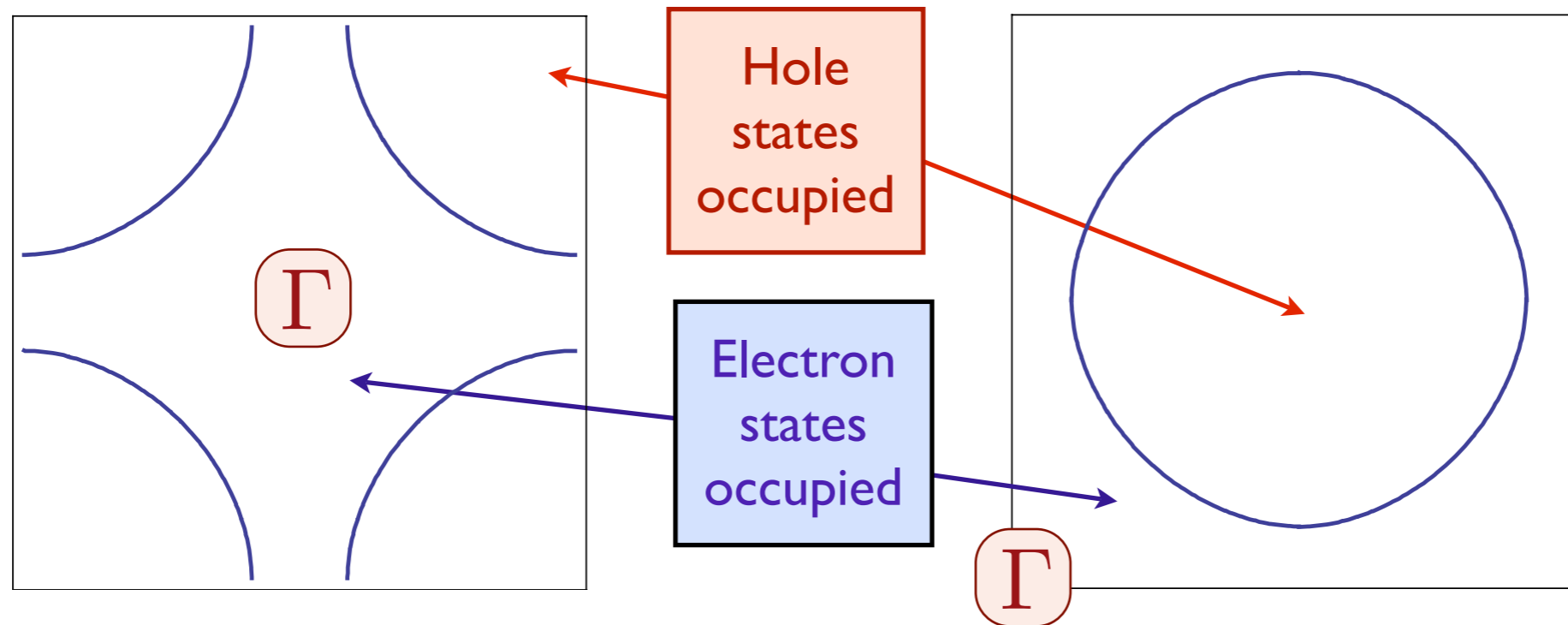
Large hole
Fermi surface

Theory of quantum criticality in the cuprates



Underlying SDW ordering quantum critical point
in metal at $x = x_m$

“Large” Fermi surfaces in cuprates



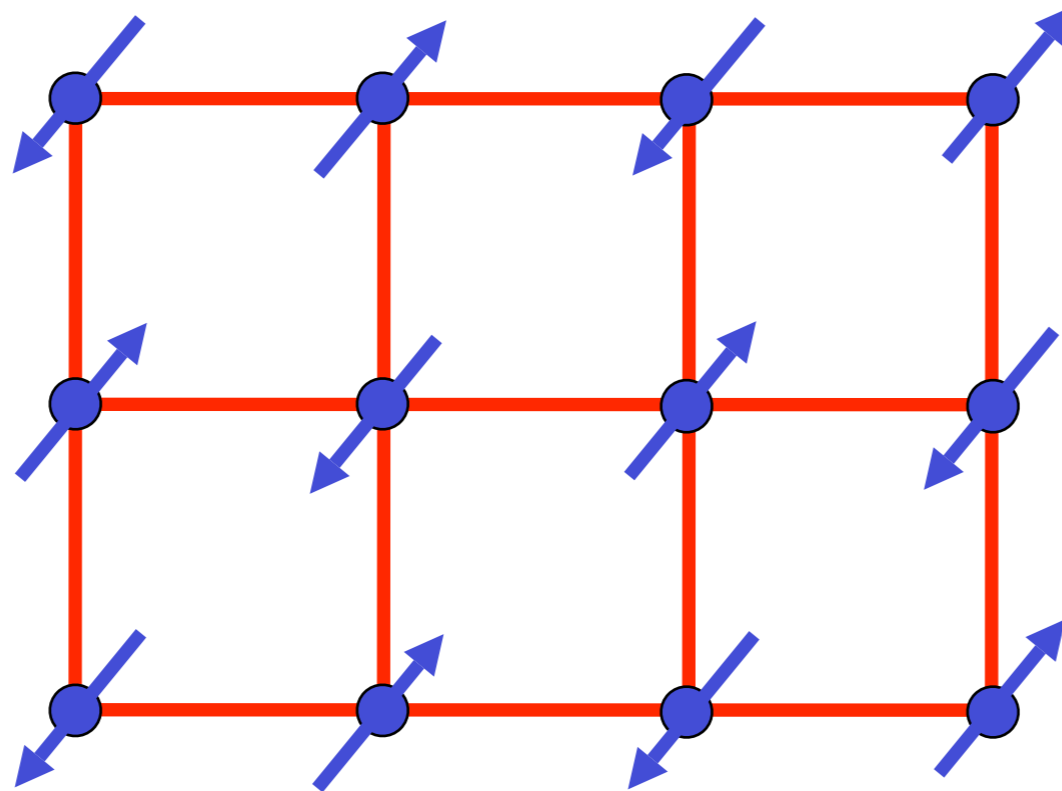
$$H_0 = - \sum_{i < j} t_{ij} c_{i\alpha}^\dagger c_{j\alpha} \equiv \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}^\dagger c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}$$

The area of the occupied electron/hole states:

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

$$A_h = 4\pi^2 - A_e$$

Spin density wave theory

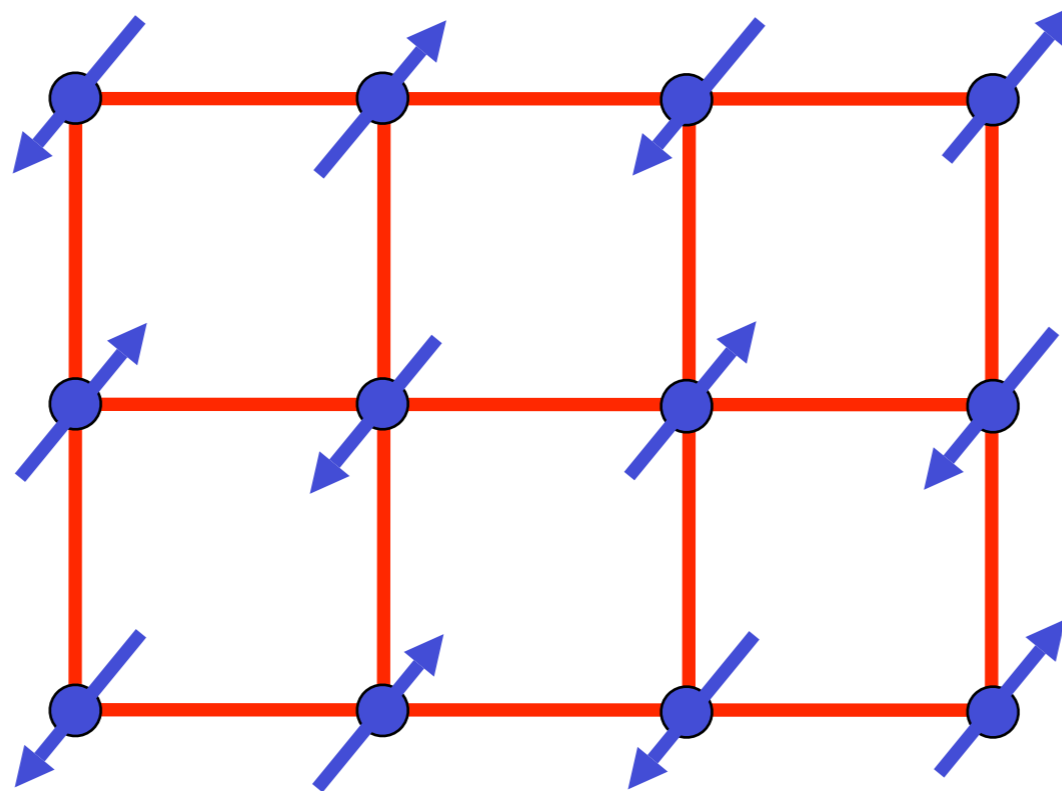


The electron spin polarization obeys

$$\langle \vec{S}(\mathbf{r}, \tau) \rangle = \vec{\varphi}(\mathbf{r}, \tau) e^{i\mathbf{K} \cdot \mathbf{r}}$$

where $\vec{\varphi}$ is the spin density wave (SDW) order parameter, and \mathbf{K} is the ordering wavevector. For simplicity, we consider $\mathbf{K} = (\pi, \pi)$.

Spin density wave theory



Spin density wave Hamiltonian

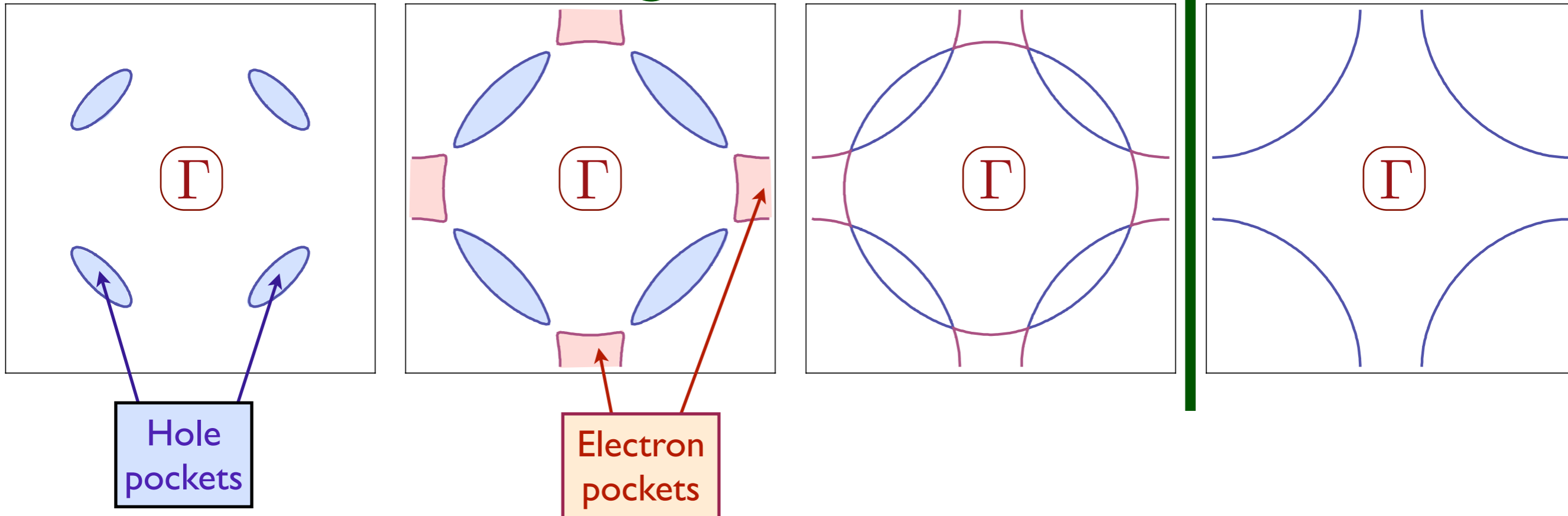
$$H_{\text{sdw}} = \vec{\varphi} \cdot \sum_{\mathbf{k}, \alpha, \beta} c_{\mathbf{k}, \alpha}^{\dagger} \vec{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} c_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{K}, \beta}$$

Diagonalize $H_0 + H_{\text{sdw}}$ for $\vec{\varphi} = (0, 0, \varphi)$

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

Spin density wave theory

← Increasing SDW order →

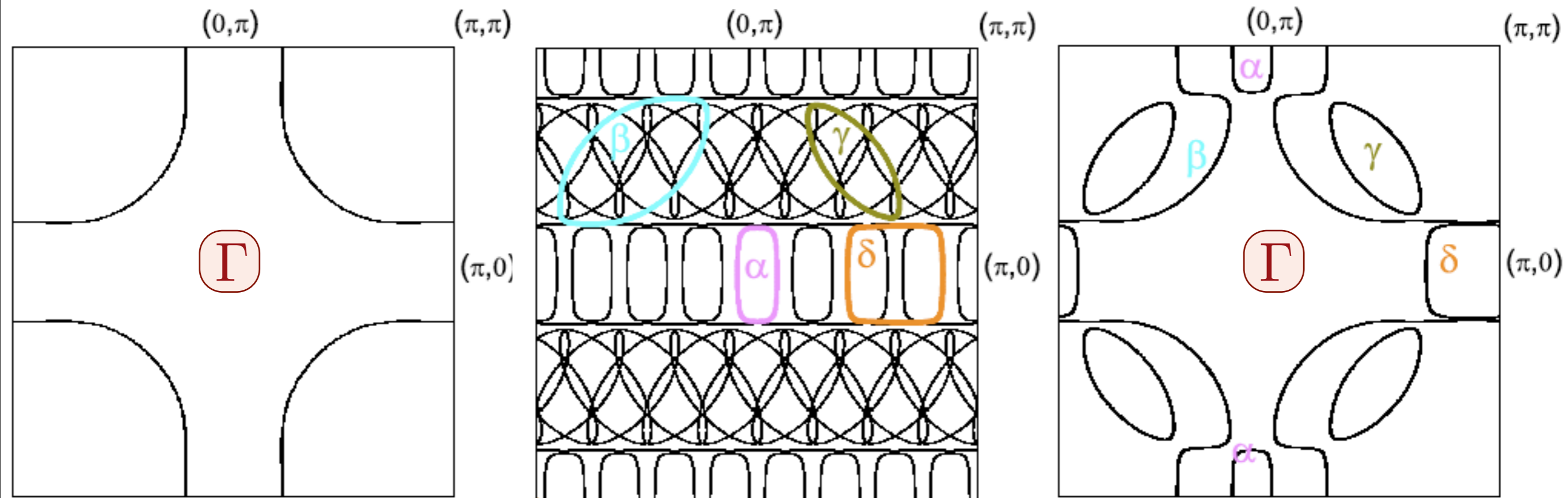


Large Fermi surface breaks up into
electron and hole pockets

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Spin density wave theory in hole-doped cuprates

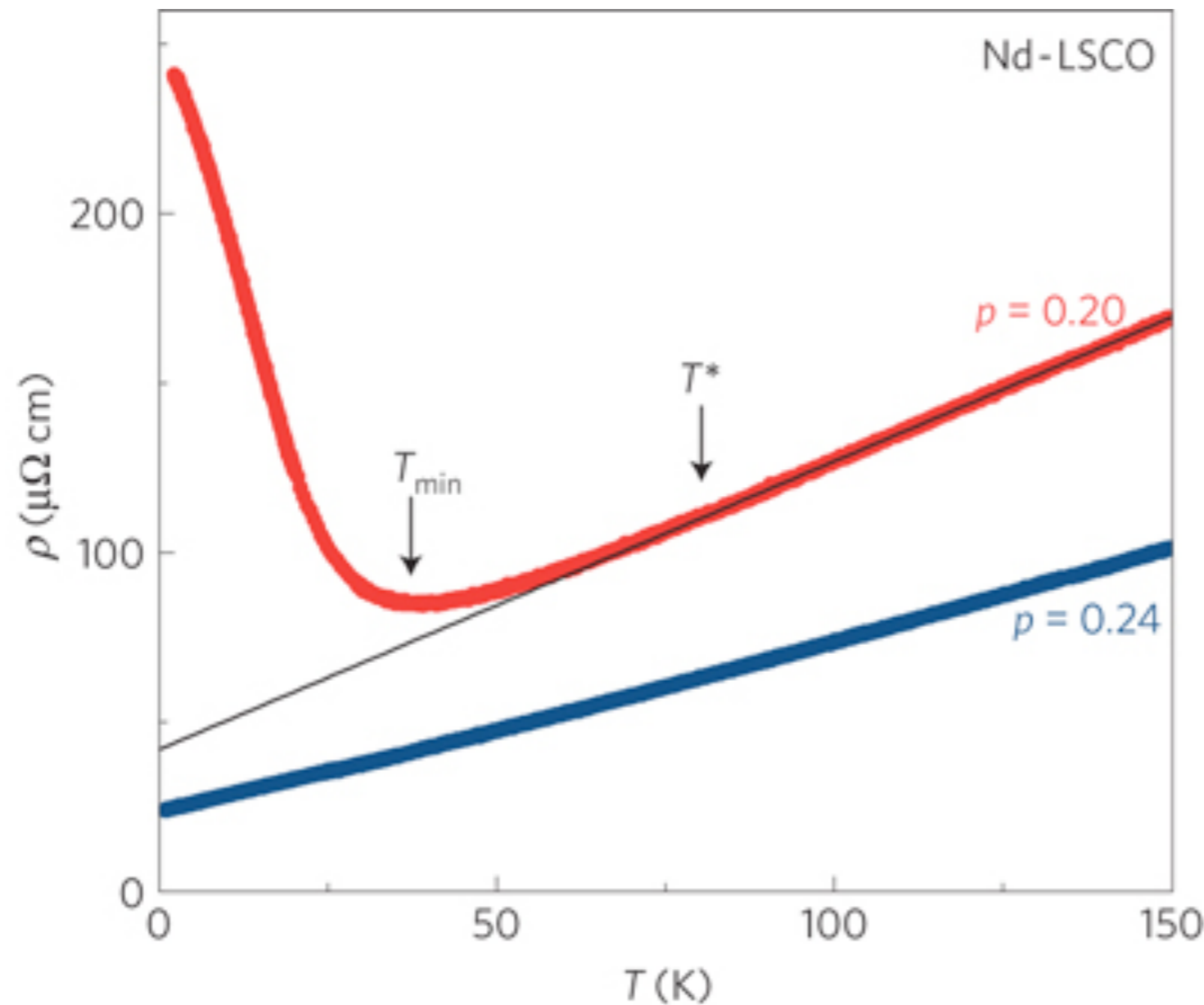


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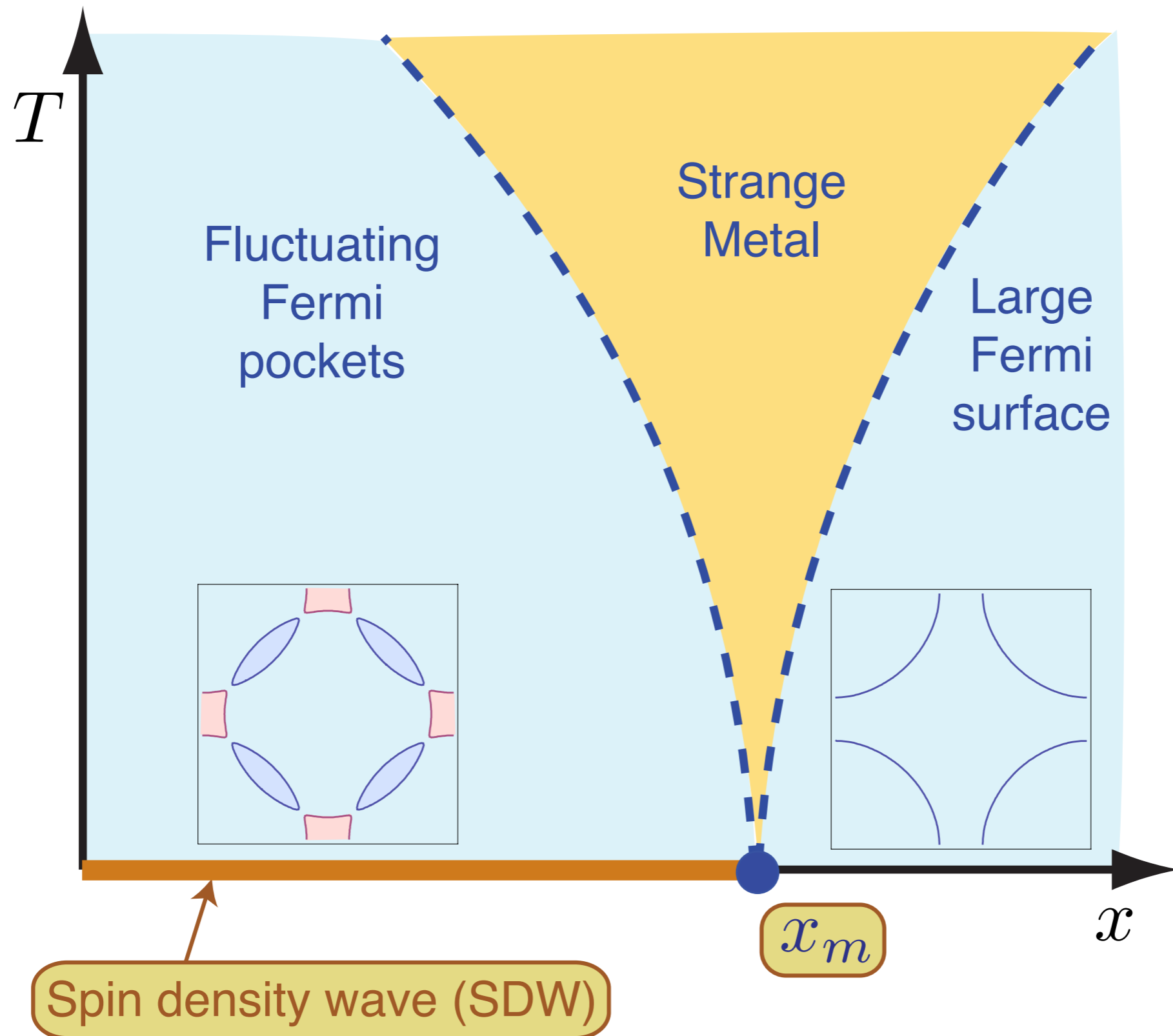


Magnetic field of
upto 35 T
used to suppress
superconductivity

Linear temperature dependence of resistivity and change in the Fermi surface at the pseudogap critical point of a high- T_c superconductor

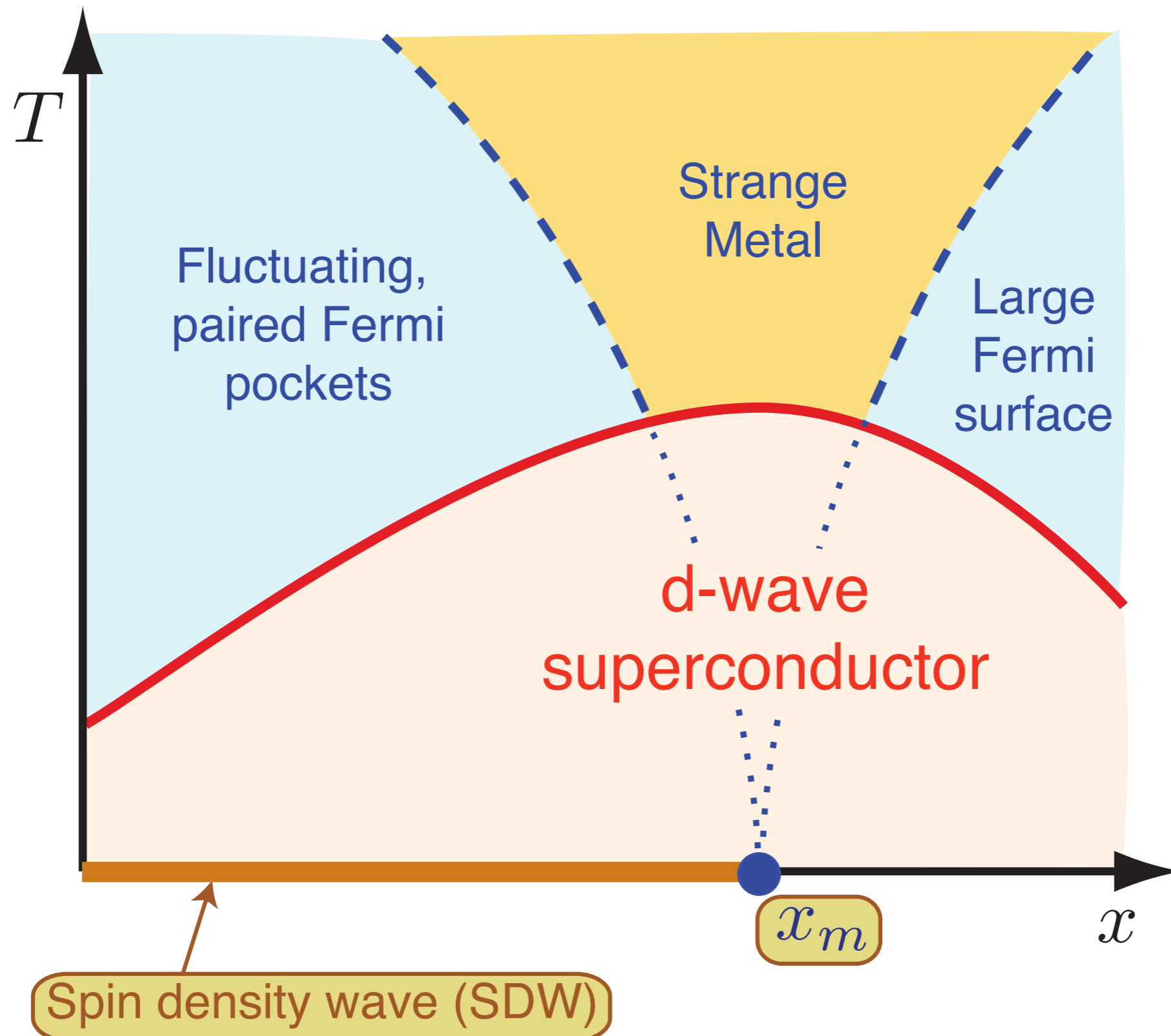
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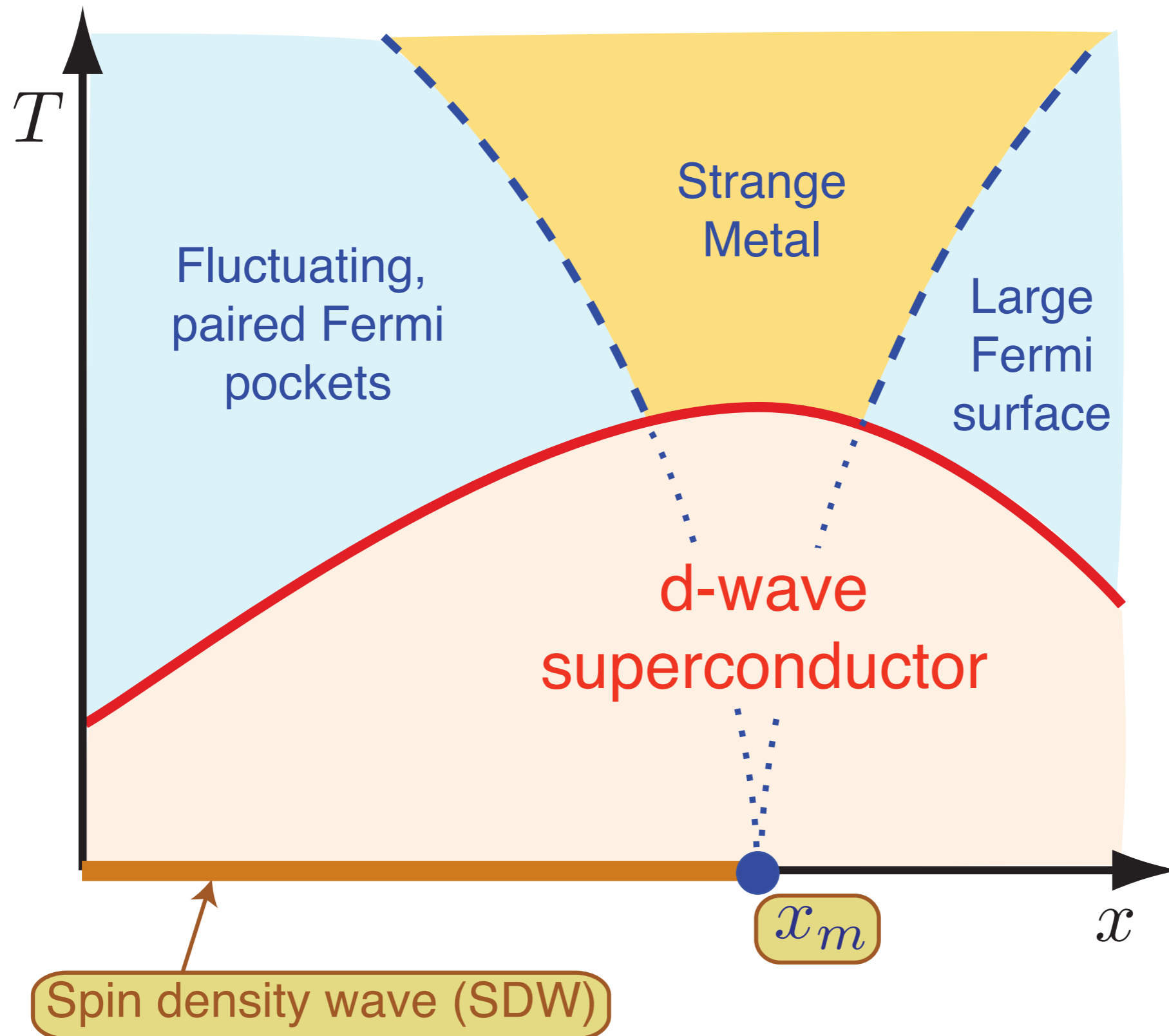
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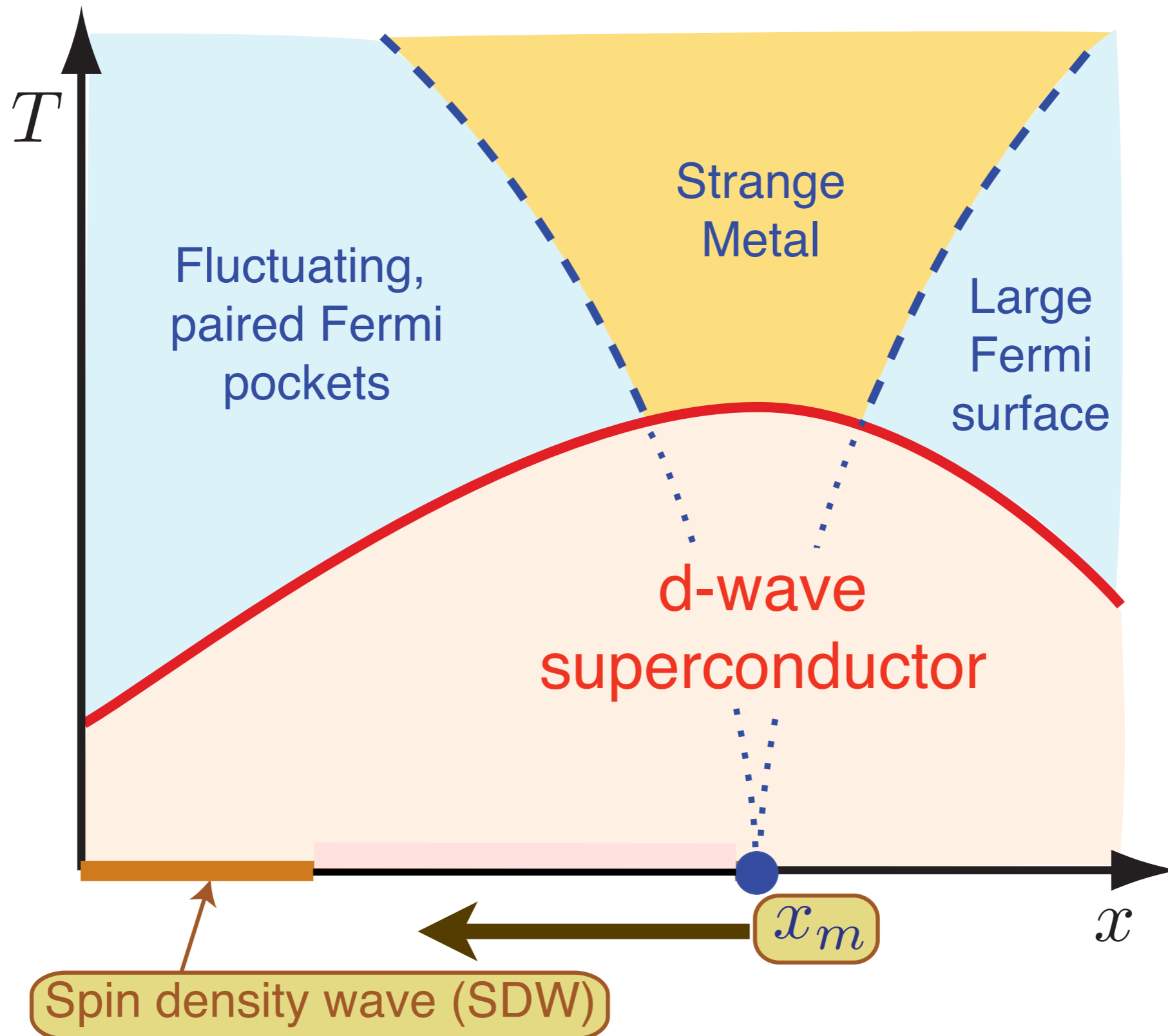
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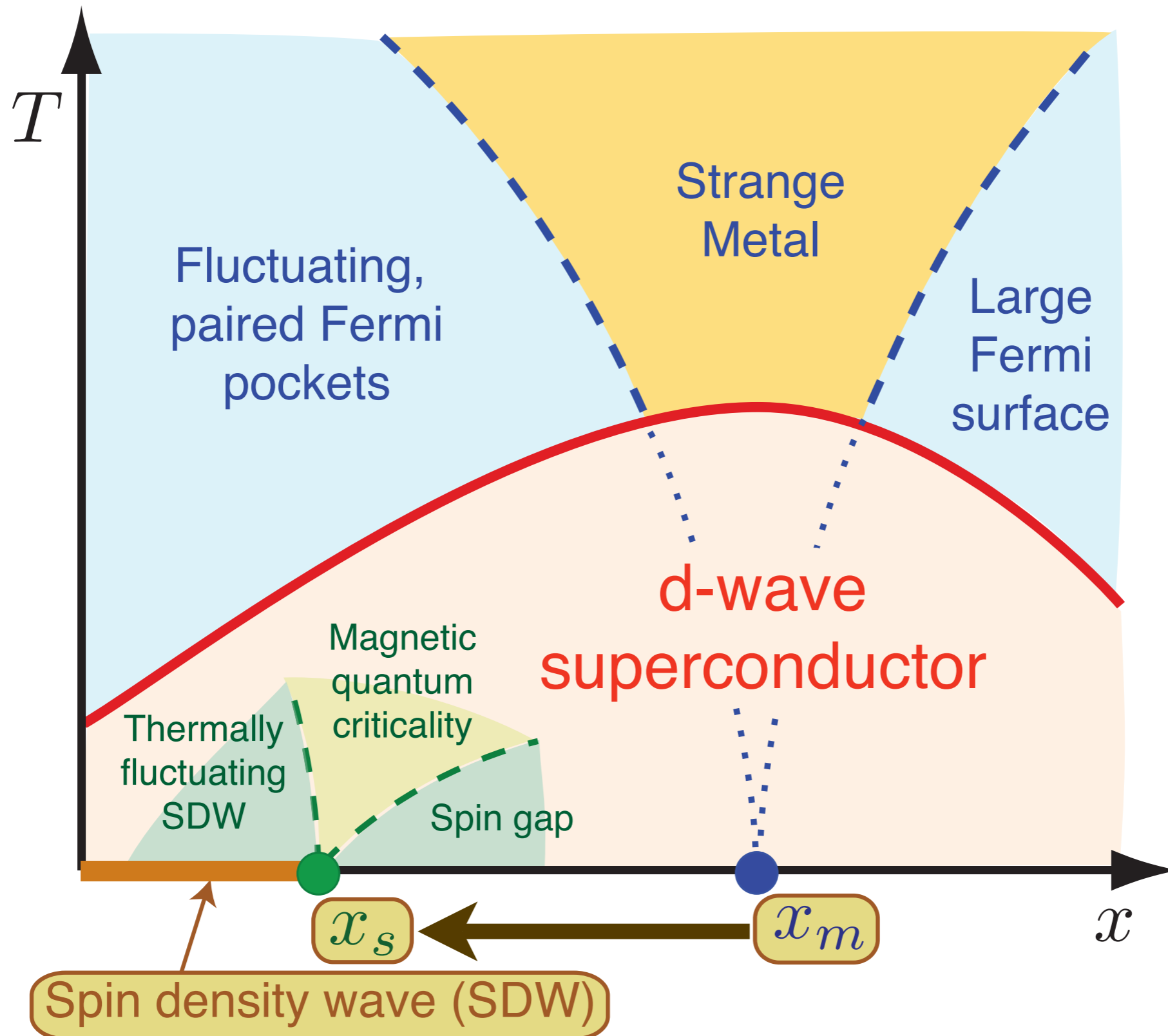
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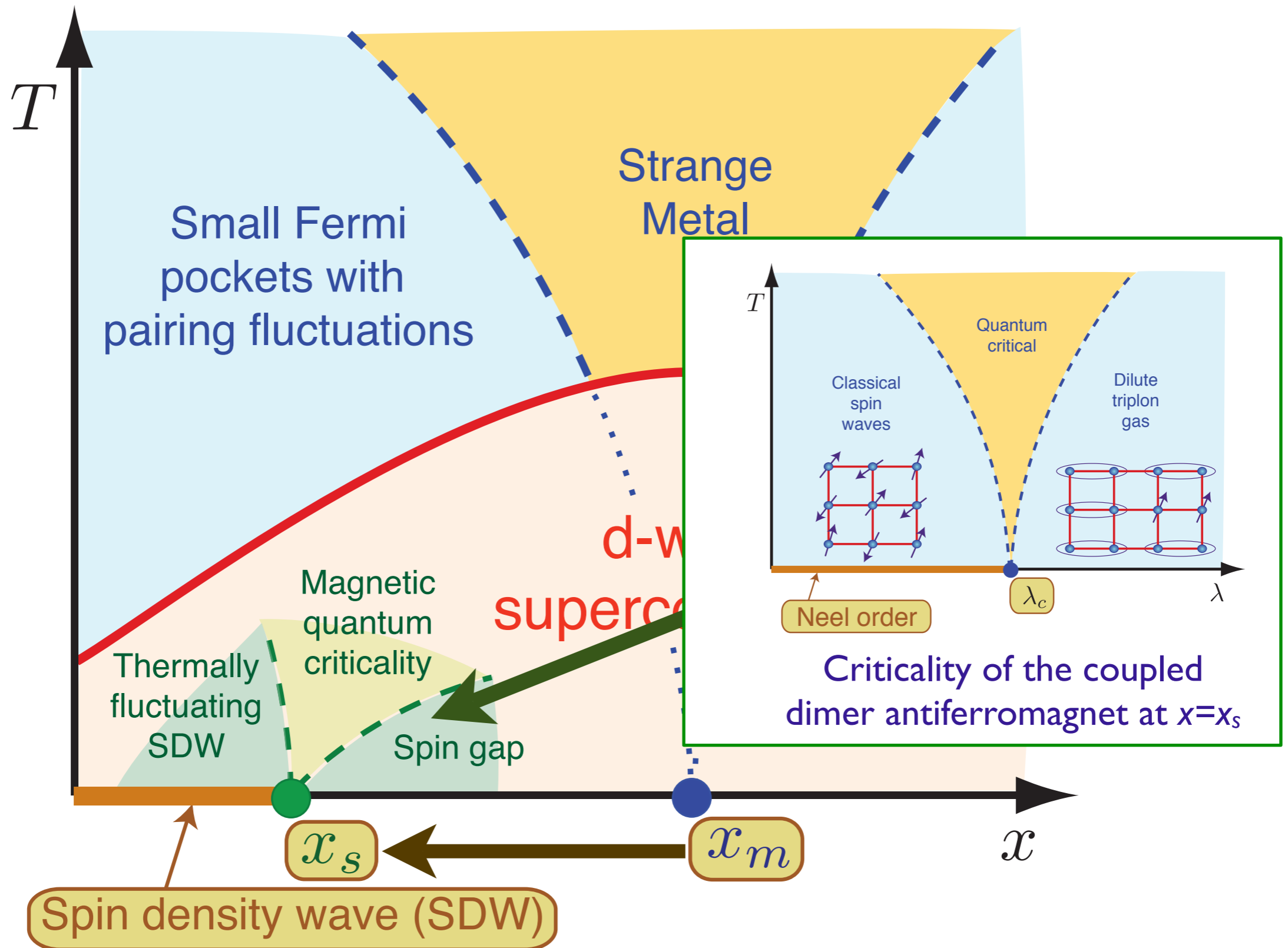
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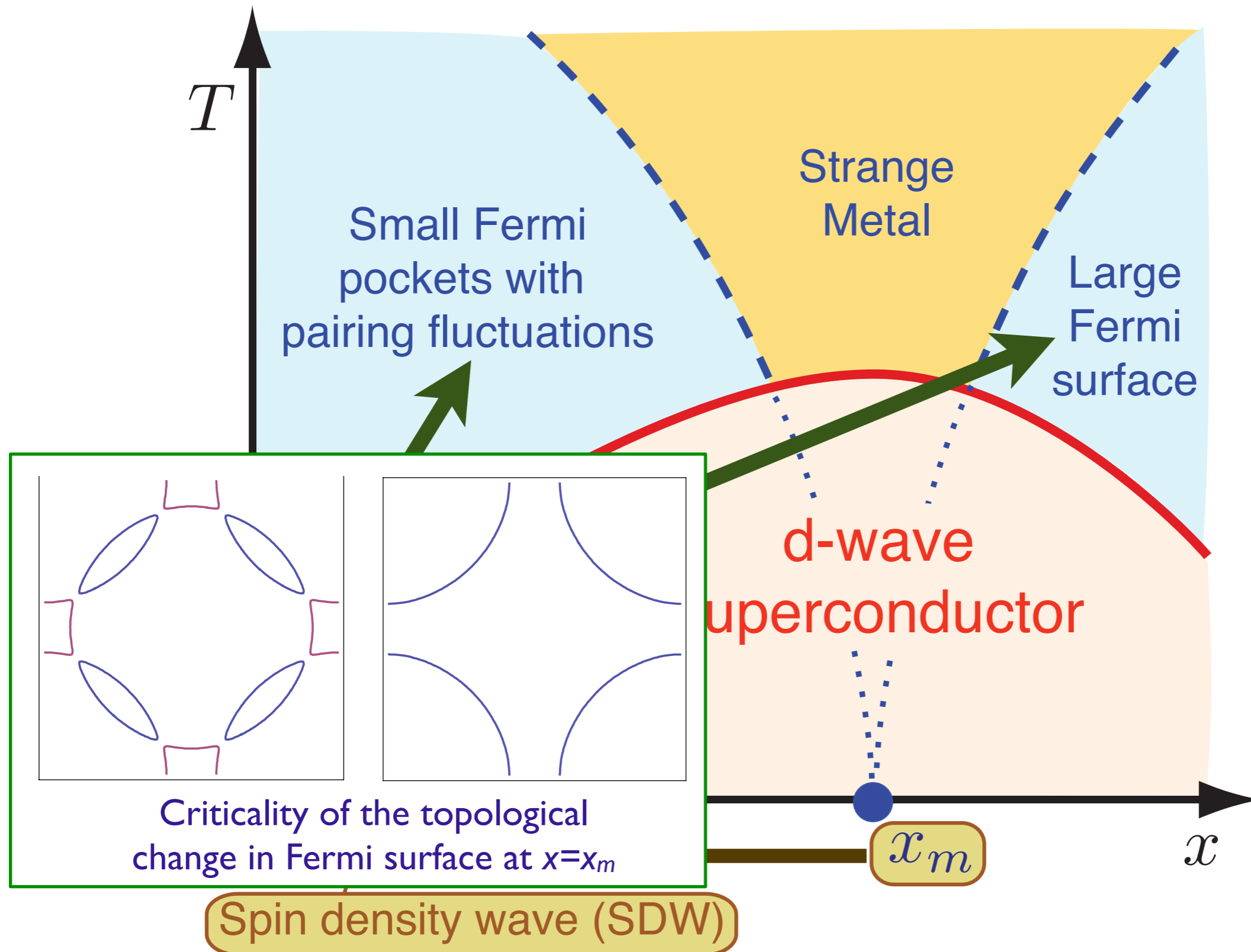
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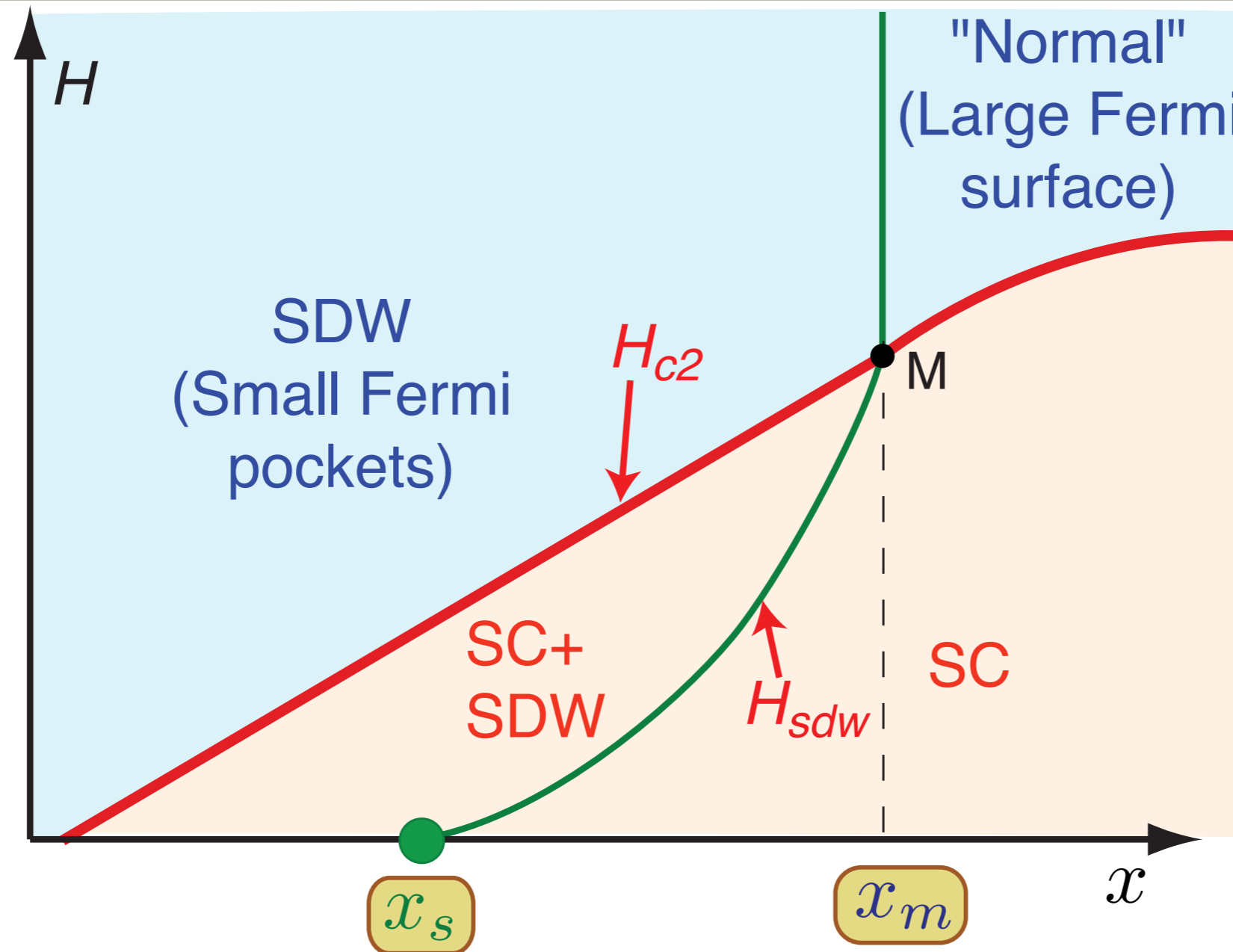
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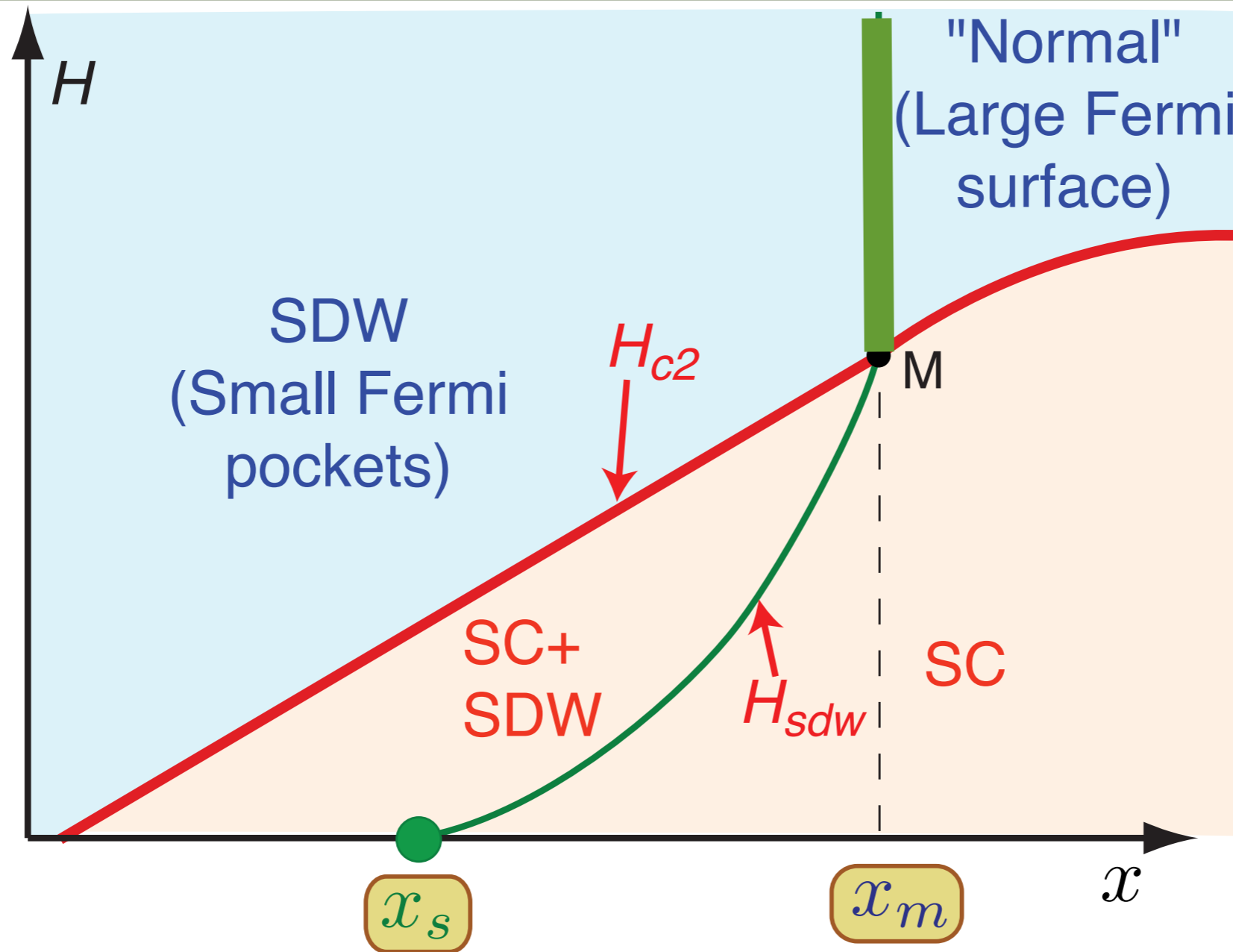
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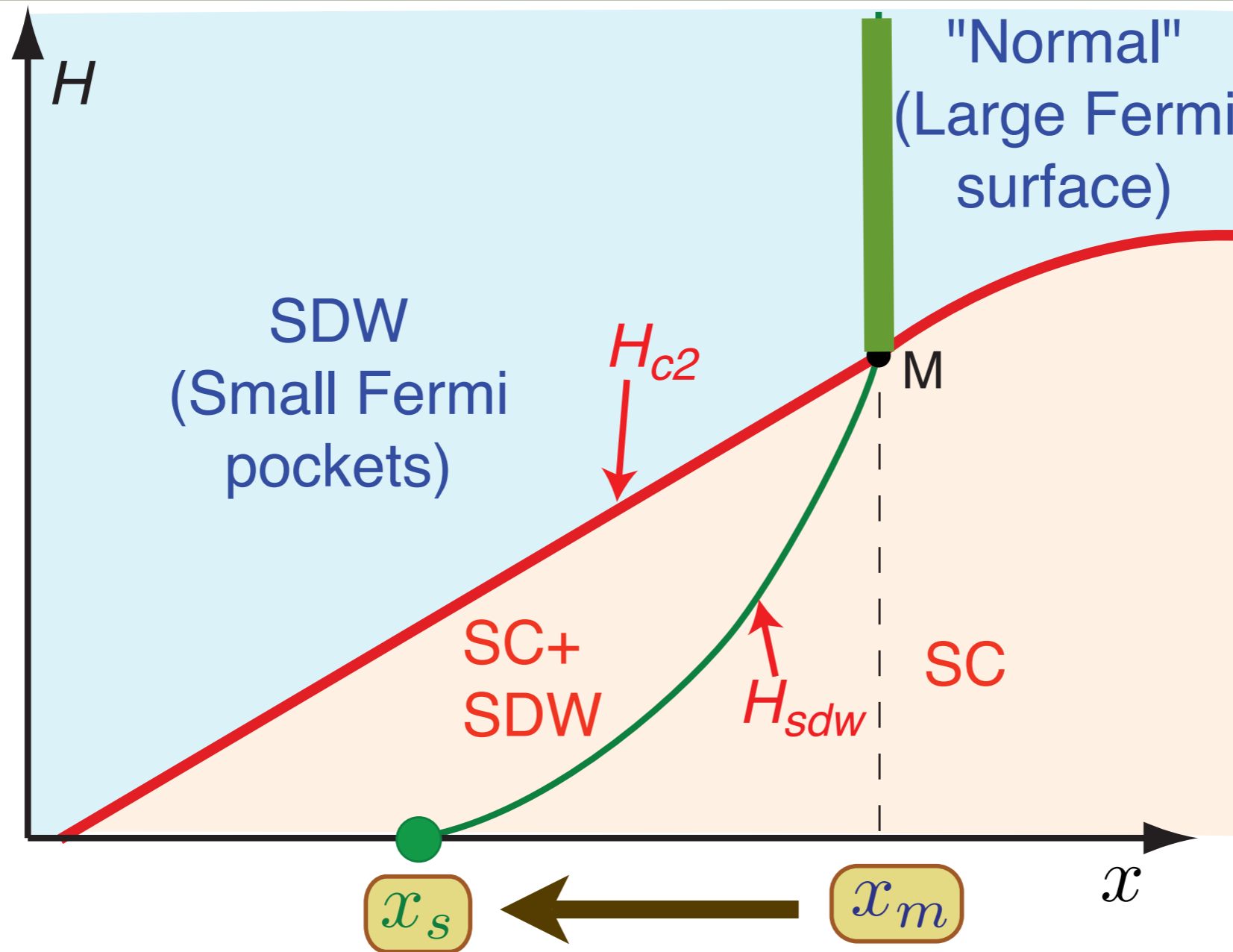


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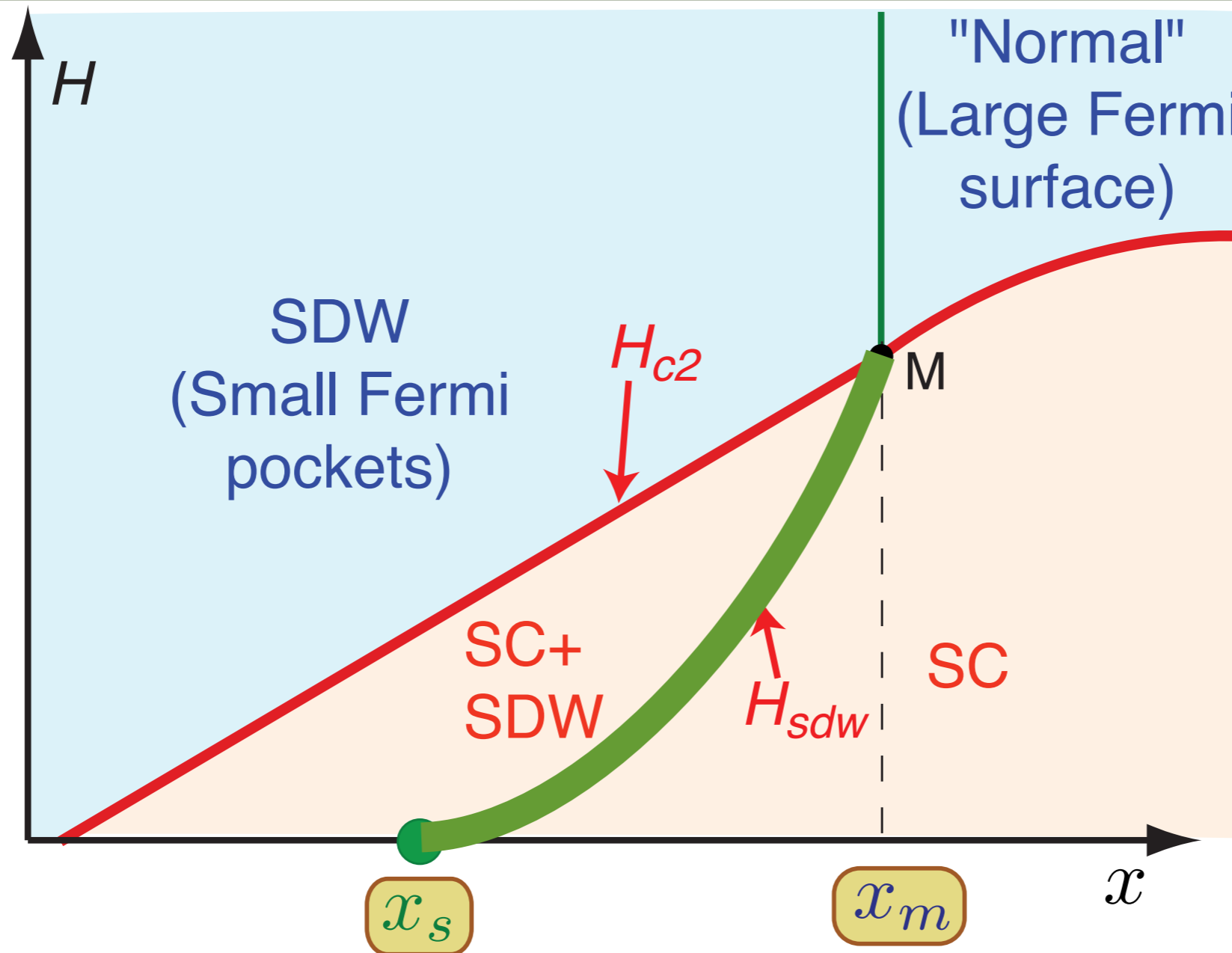
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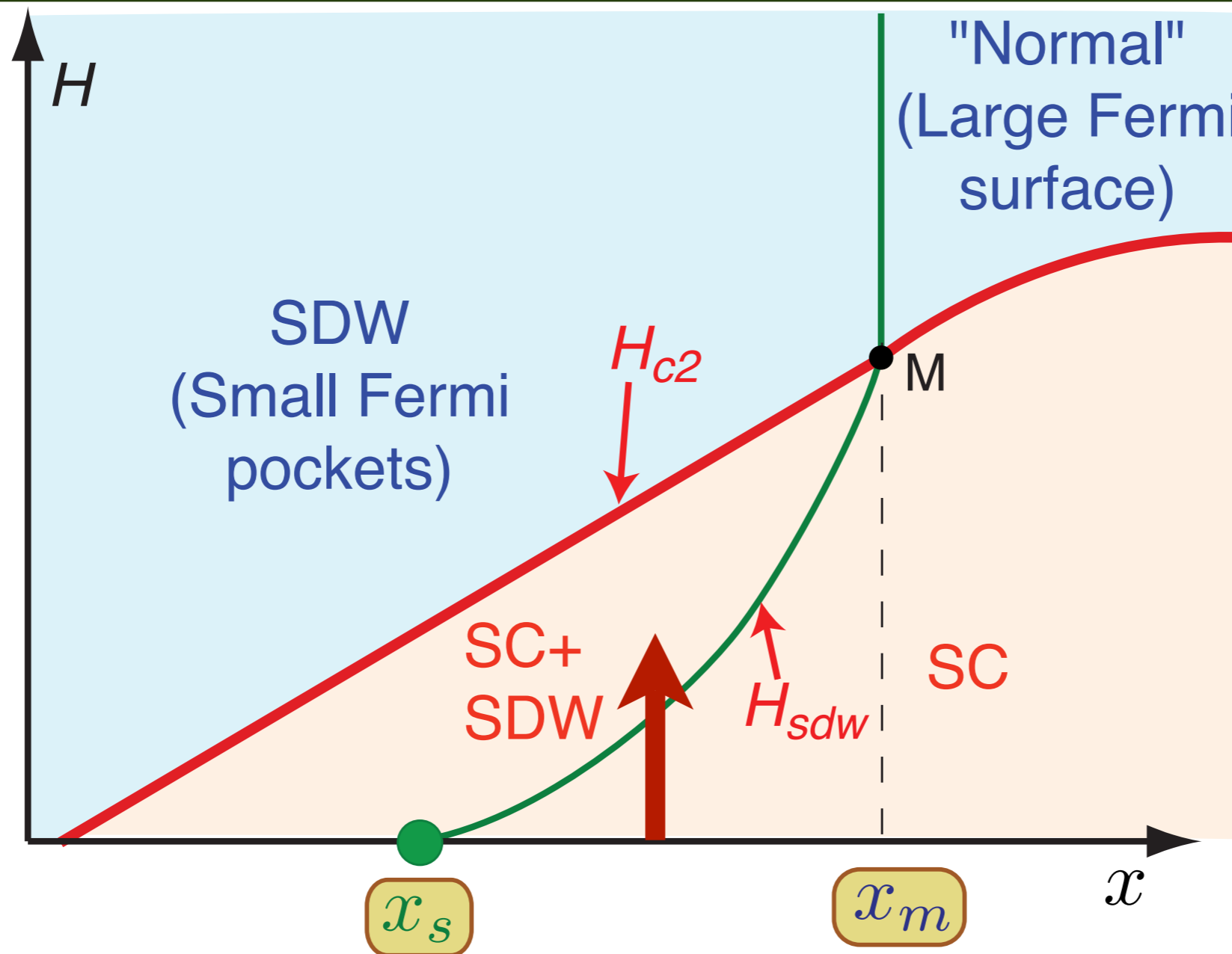
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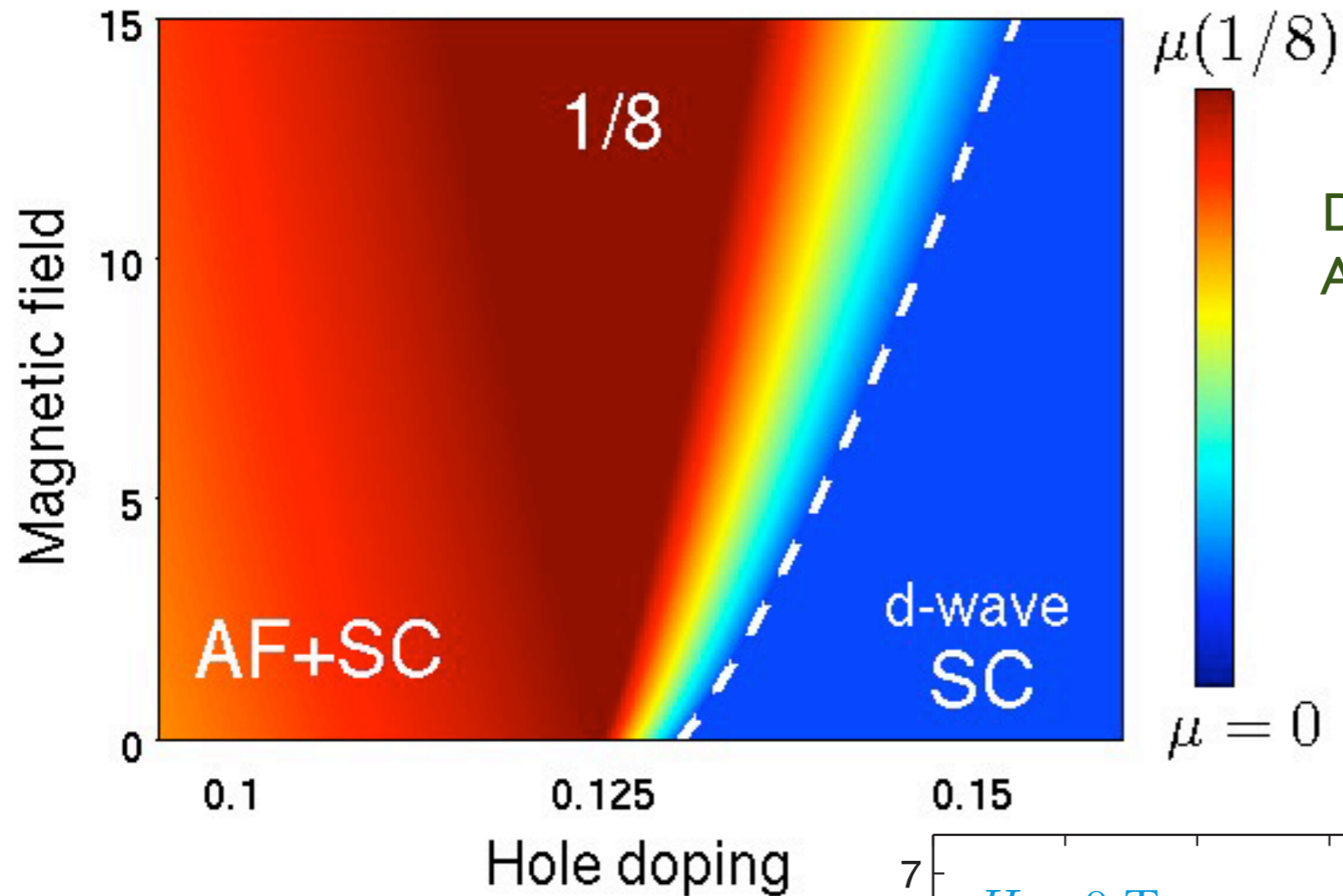


- For doping with $x_s < x < x_m$, SDW order appears at a quantum phase transition at $H = H_{sdw} > 0$.

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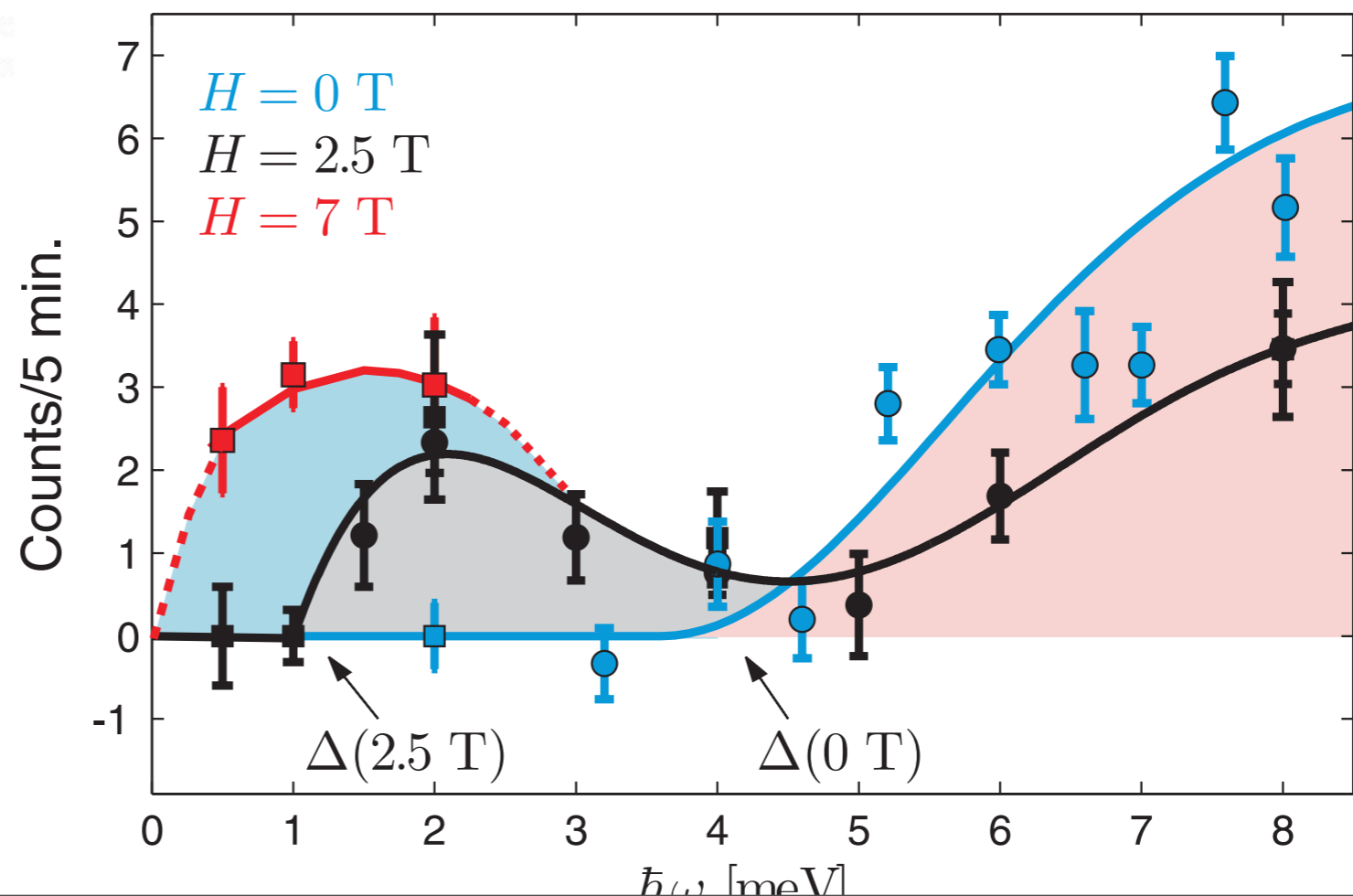


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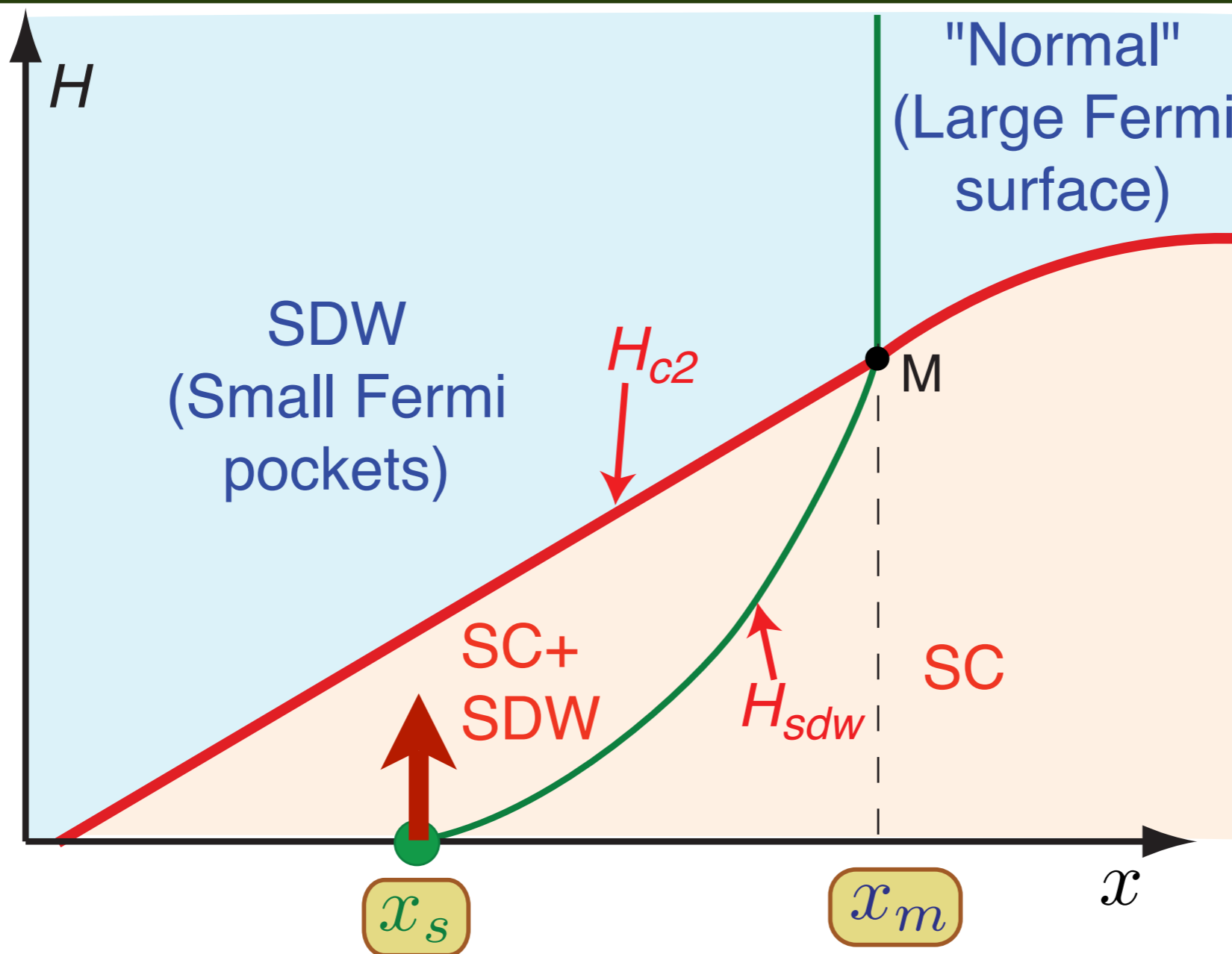


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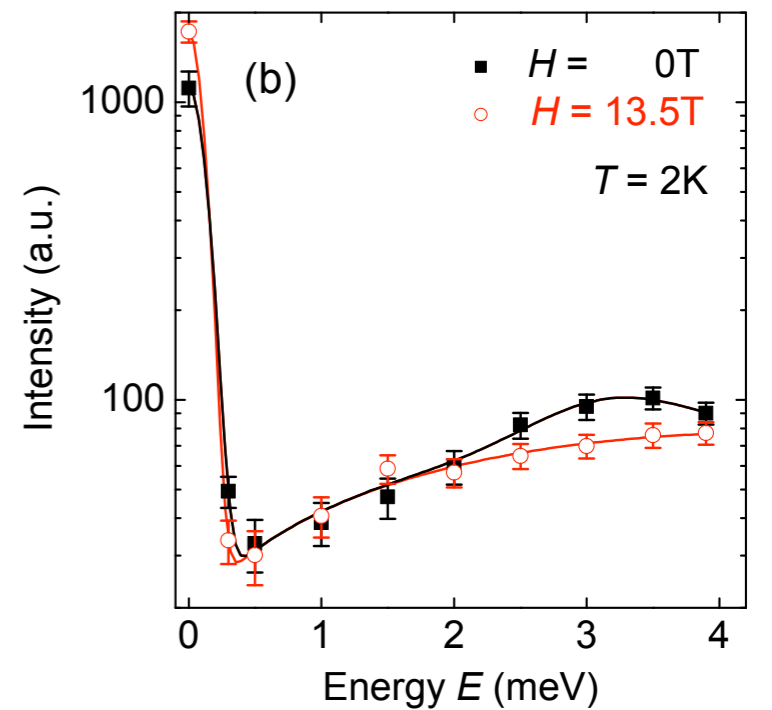
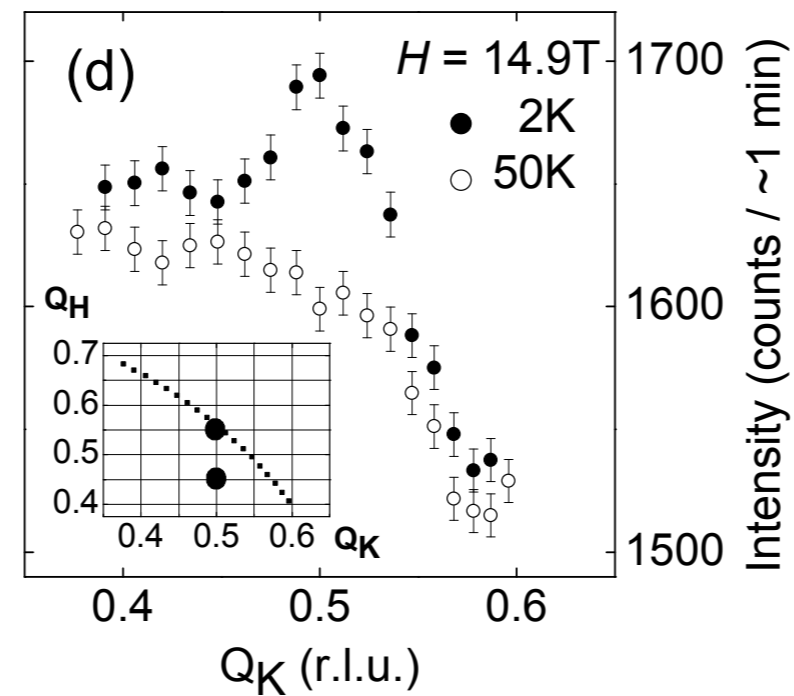
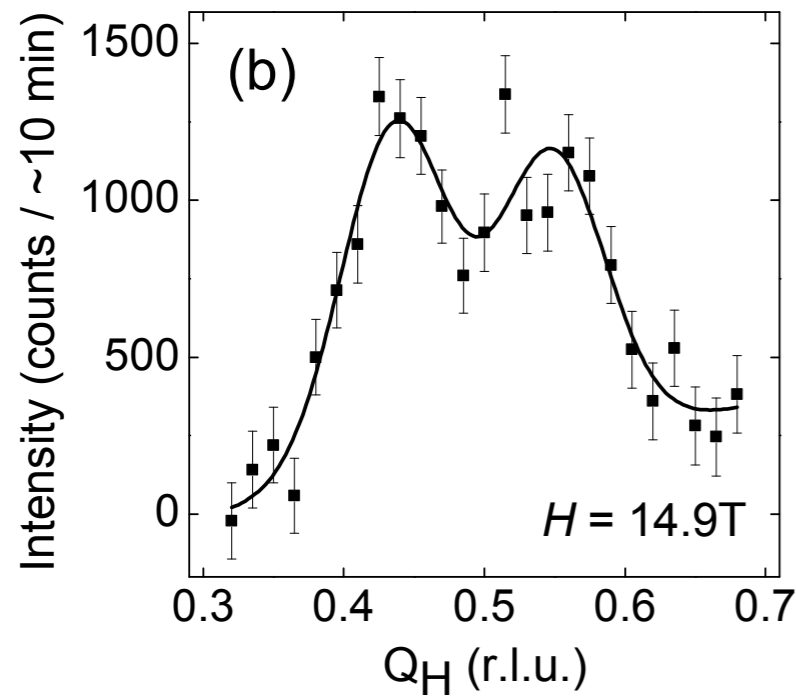
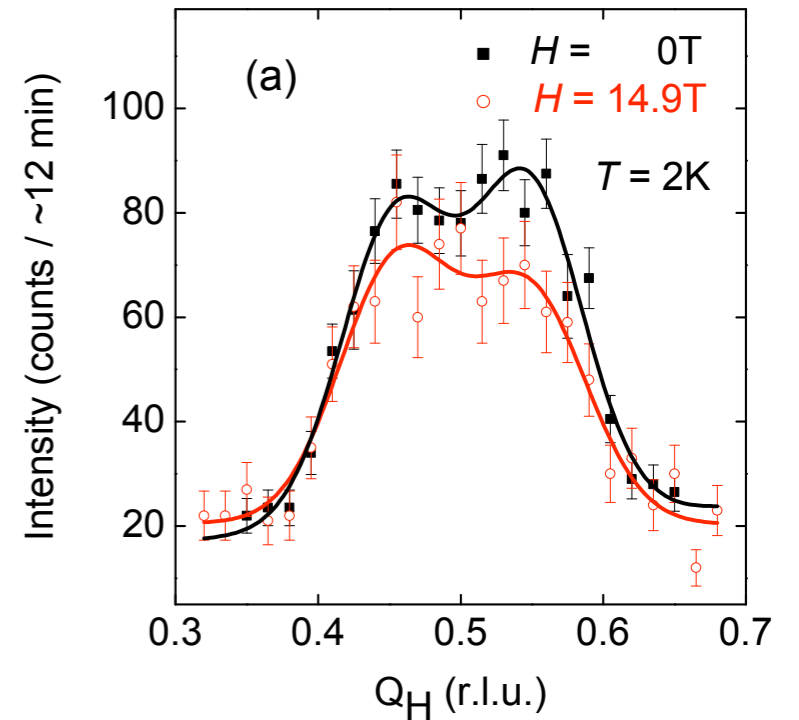
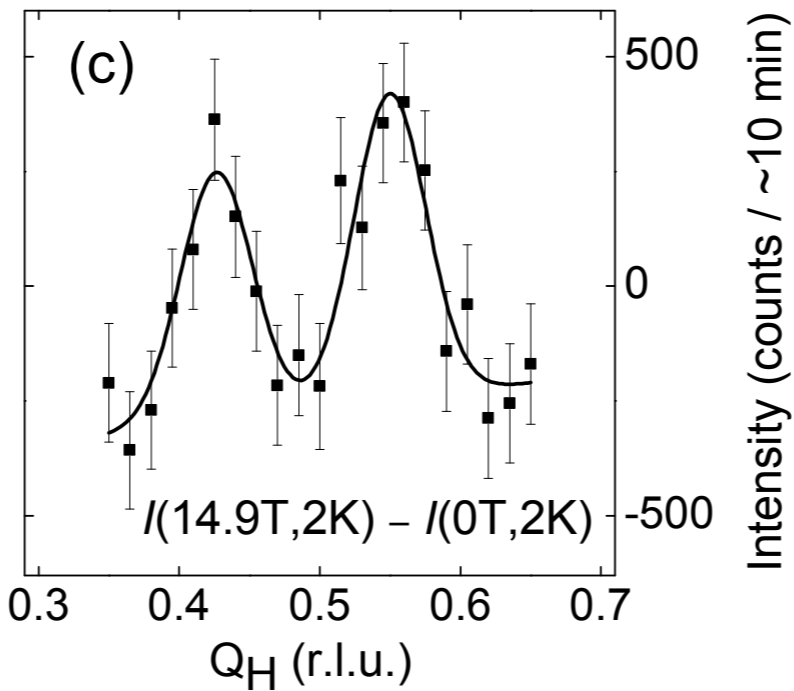
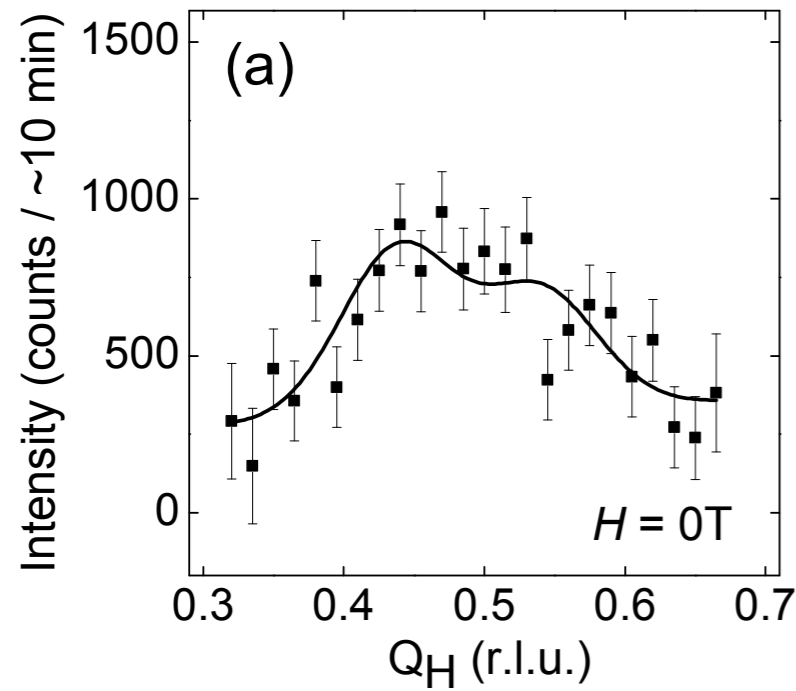
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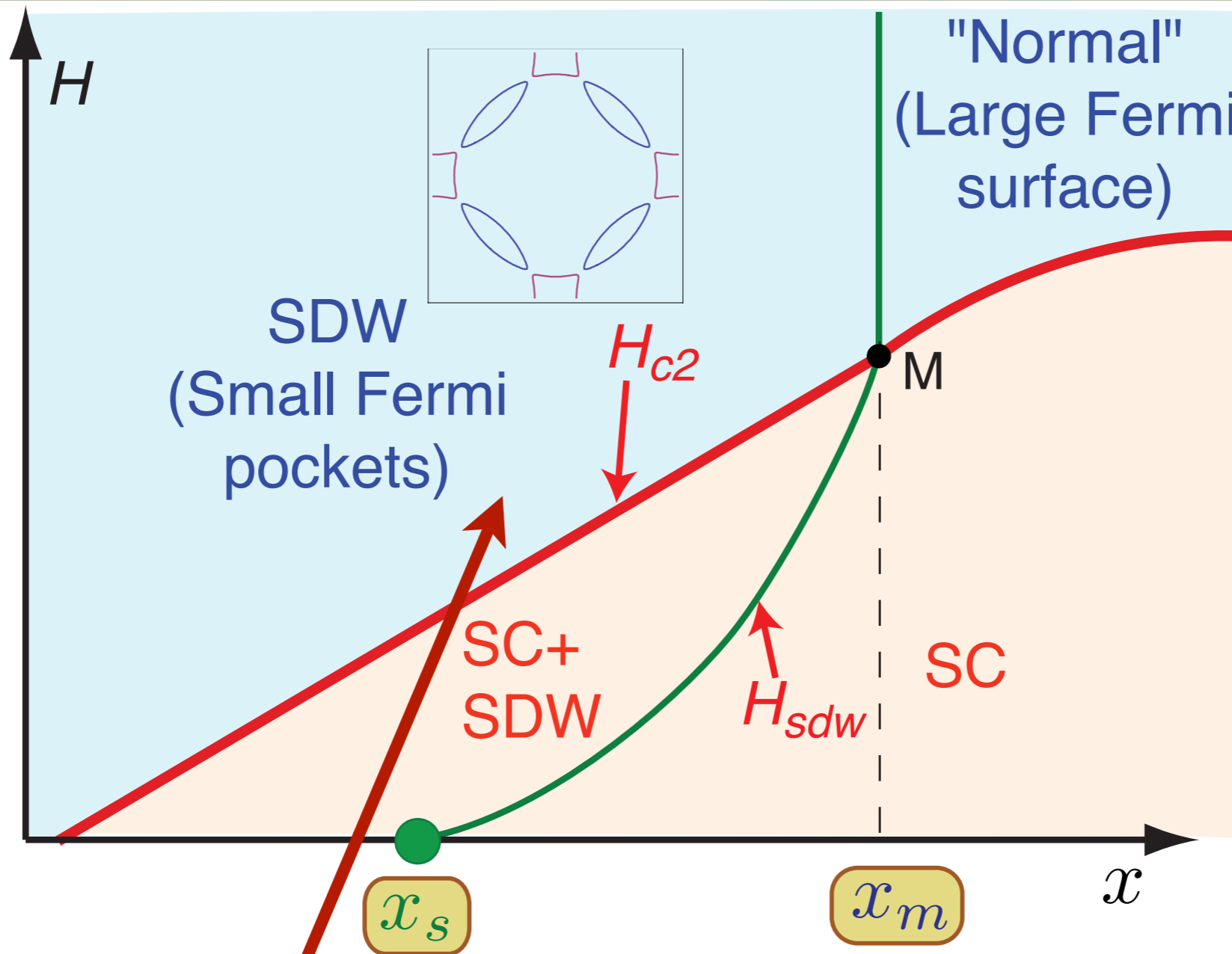


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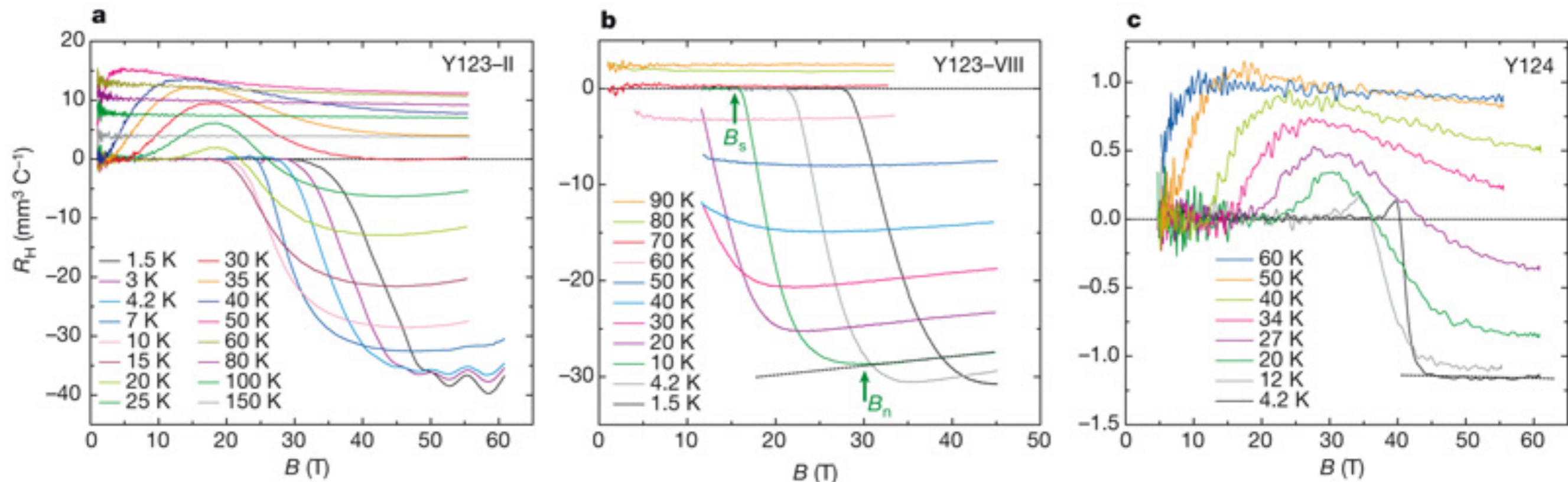
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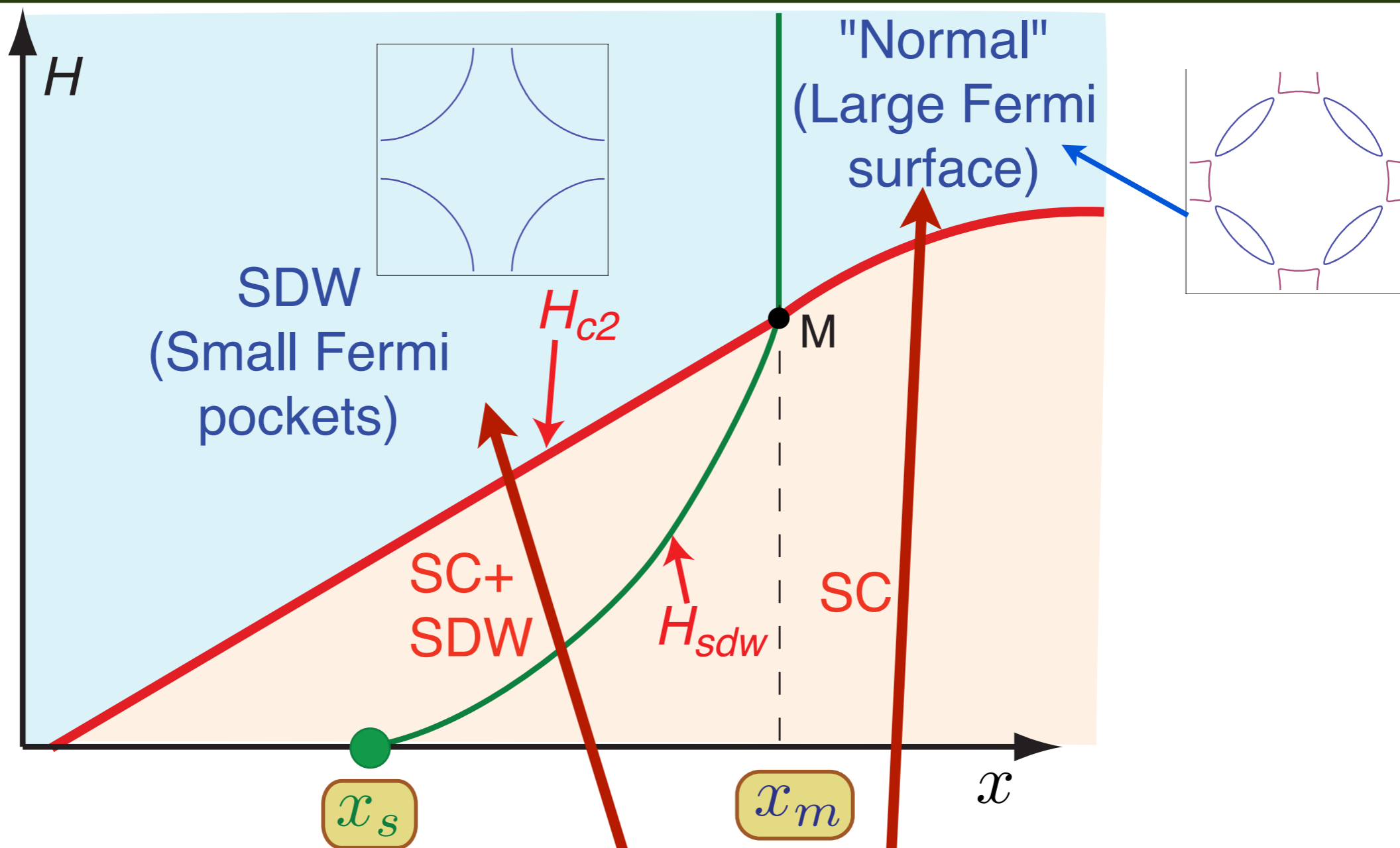
Electron pockets in the Fermi surface of hole-doped high- T_c superconductors

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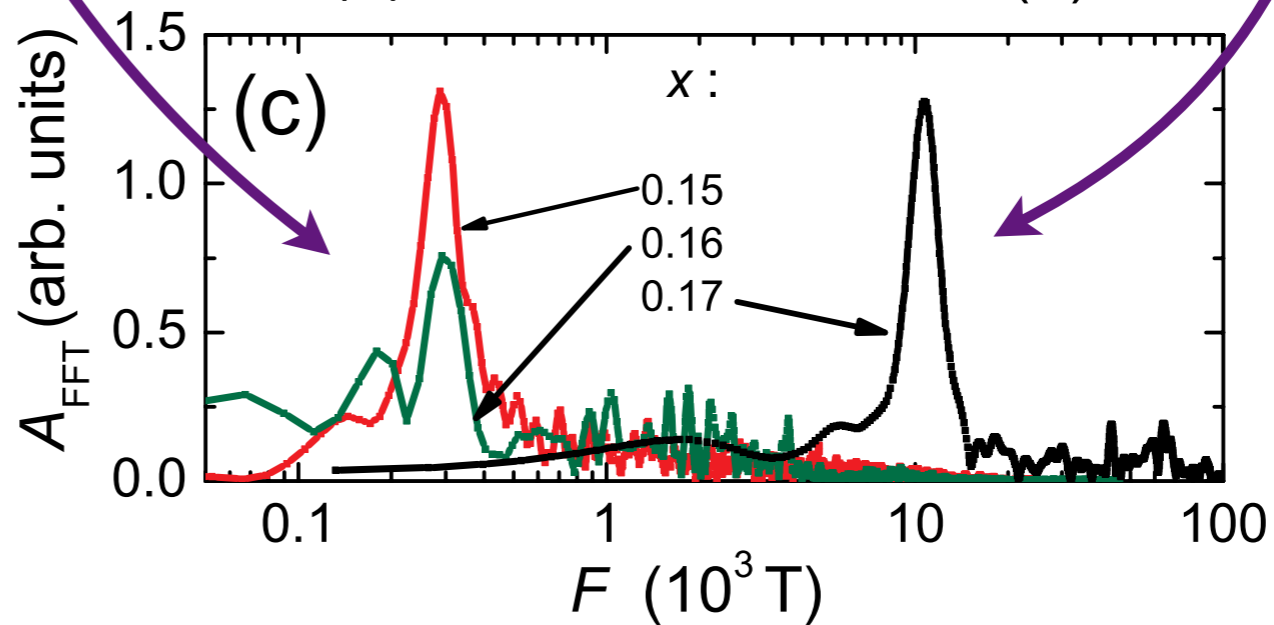
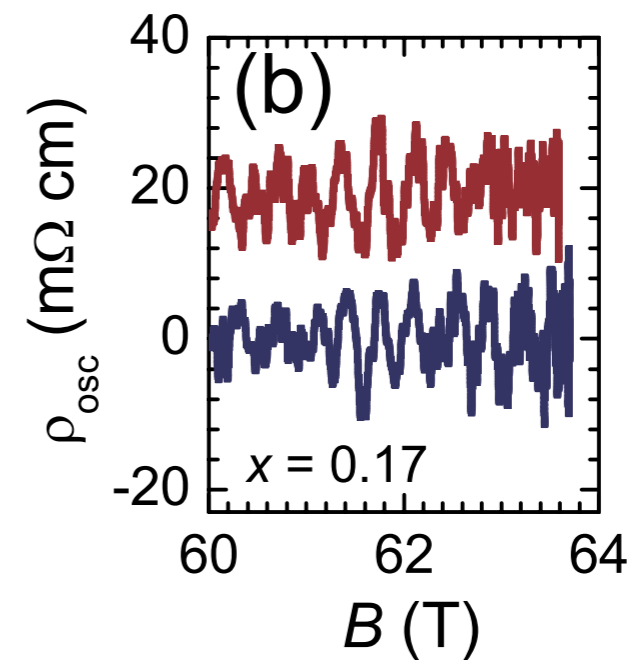
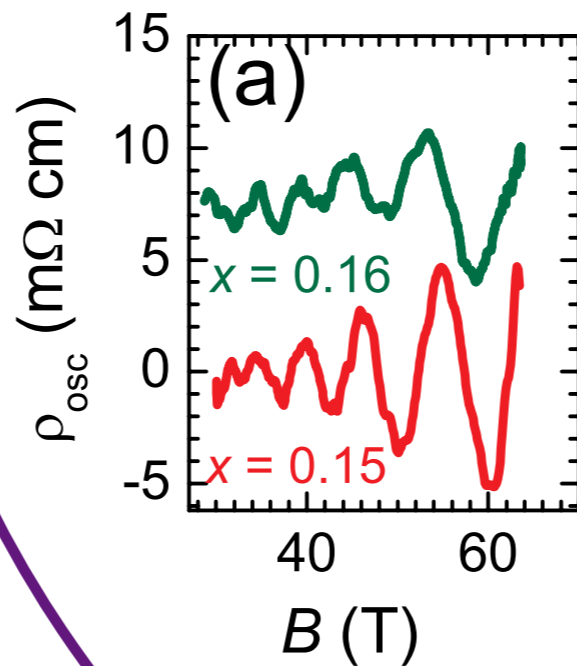
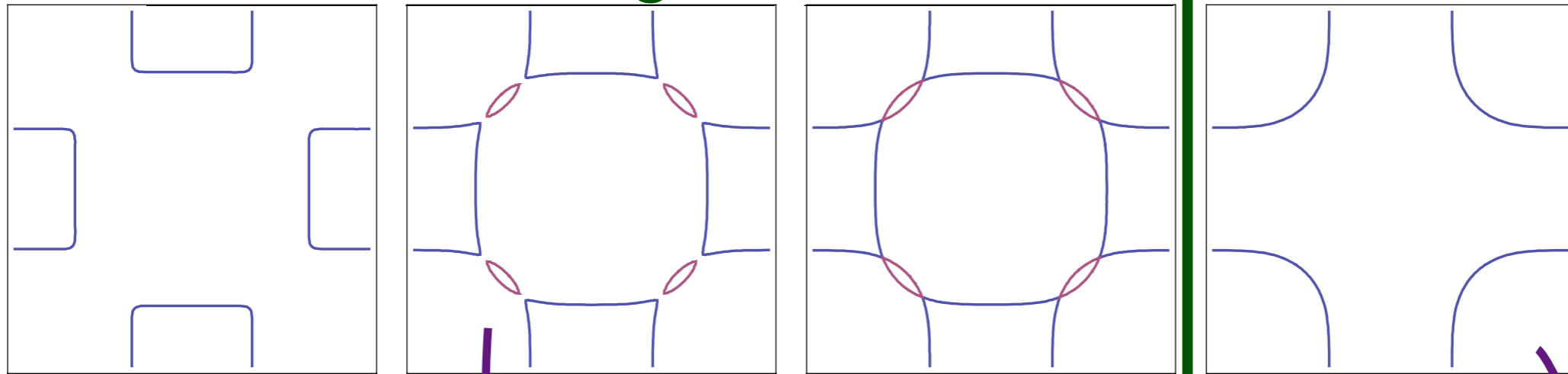


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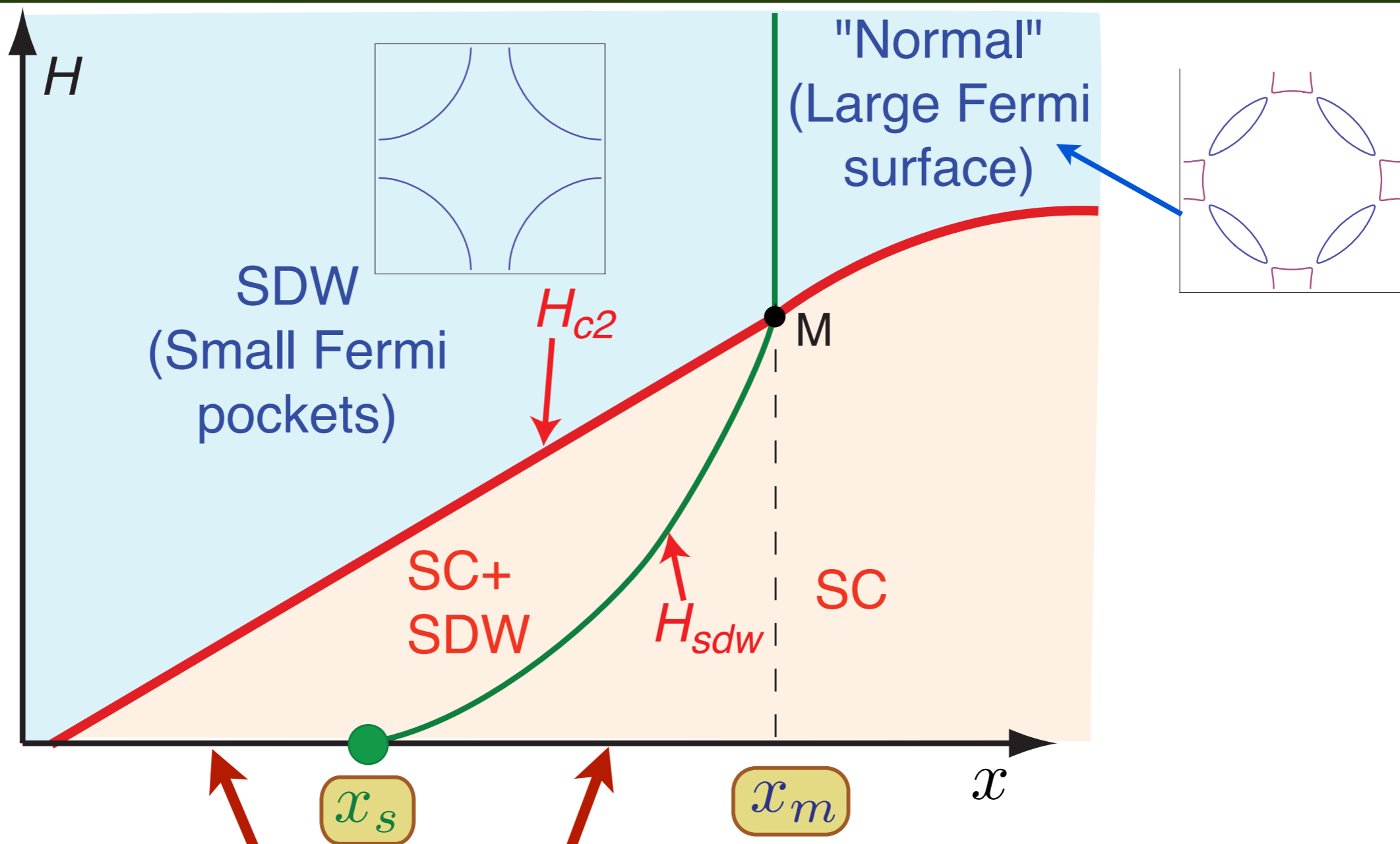
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← Increasing SDW order →

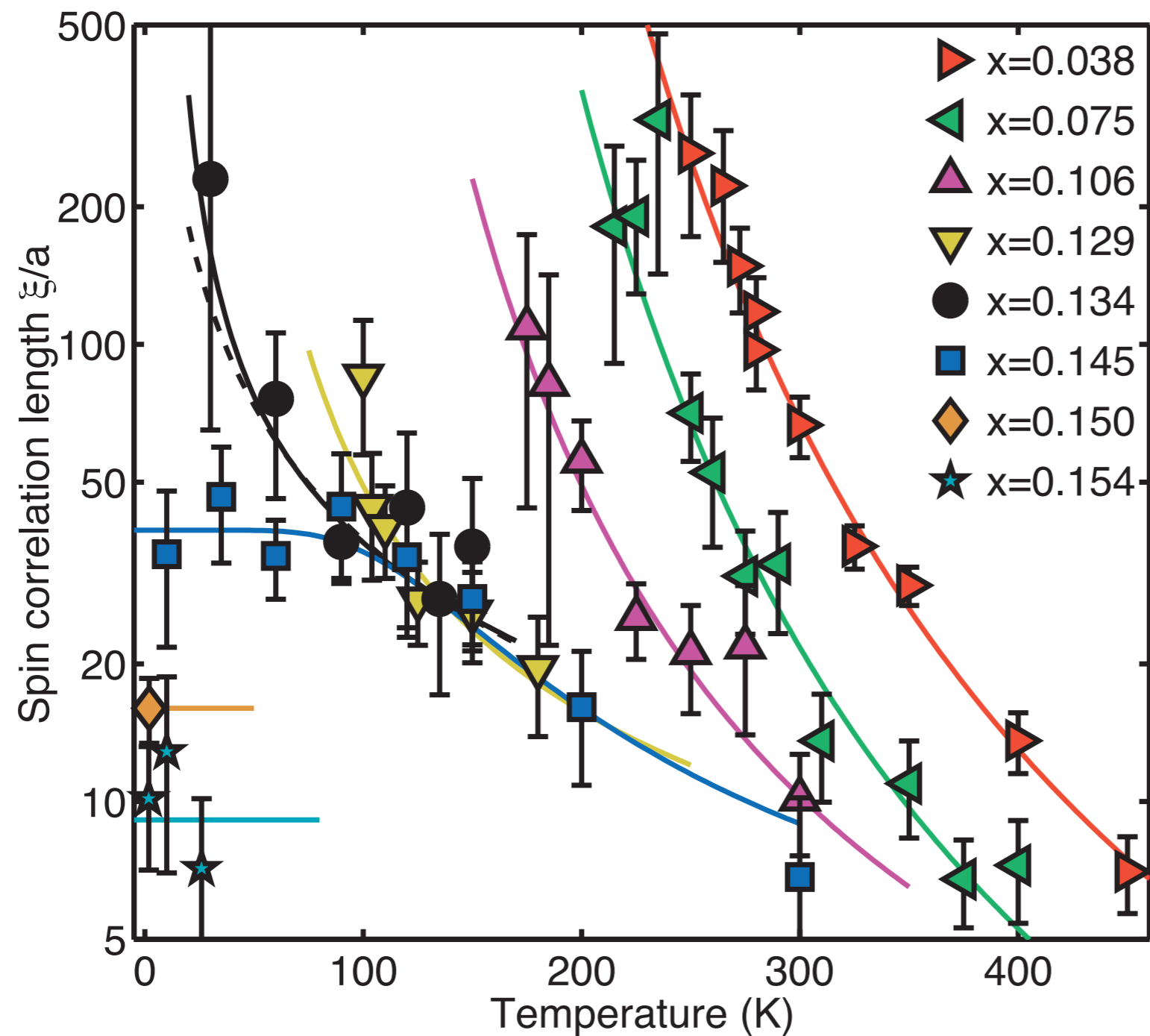


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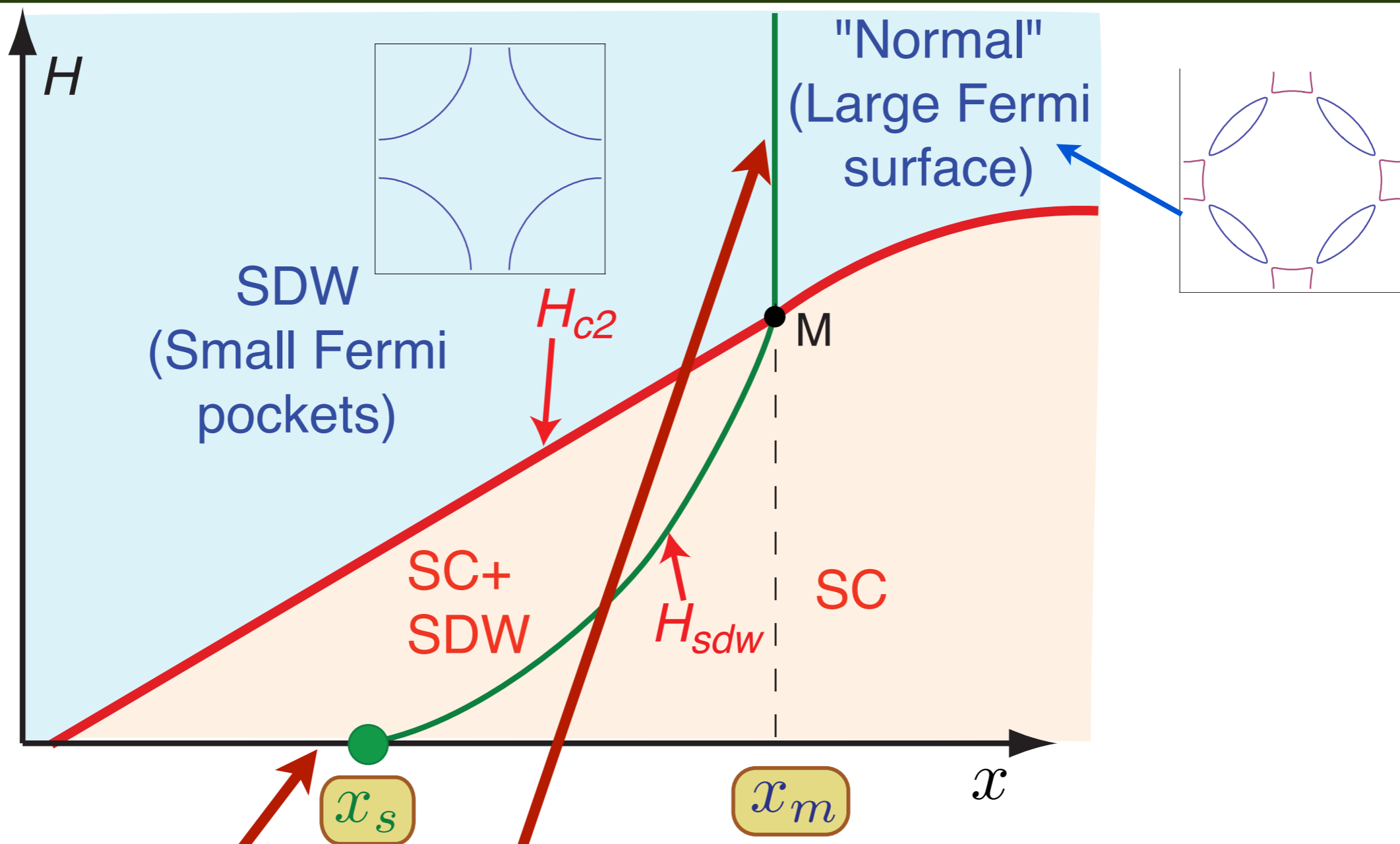


Neutron scattering at $H=0$ in **same** material identifies $x_s = 0.14 < x_m$

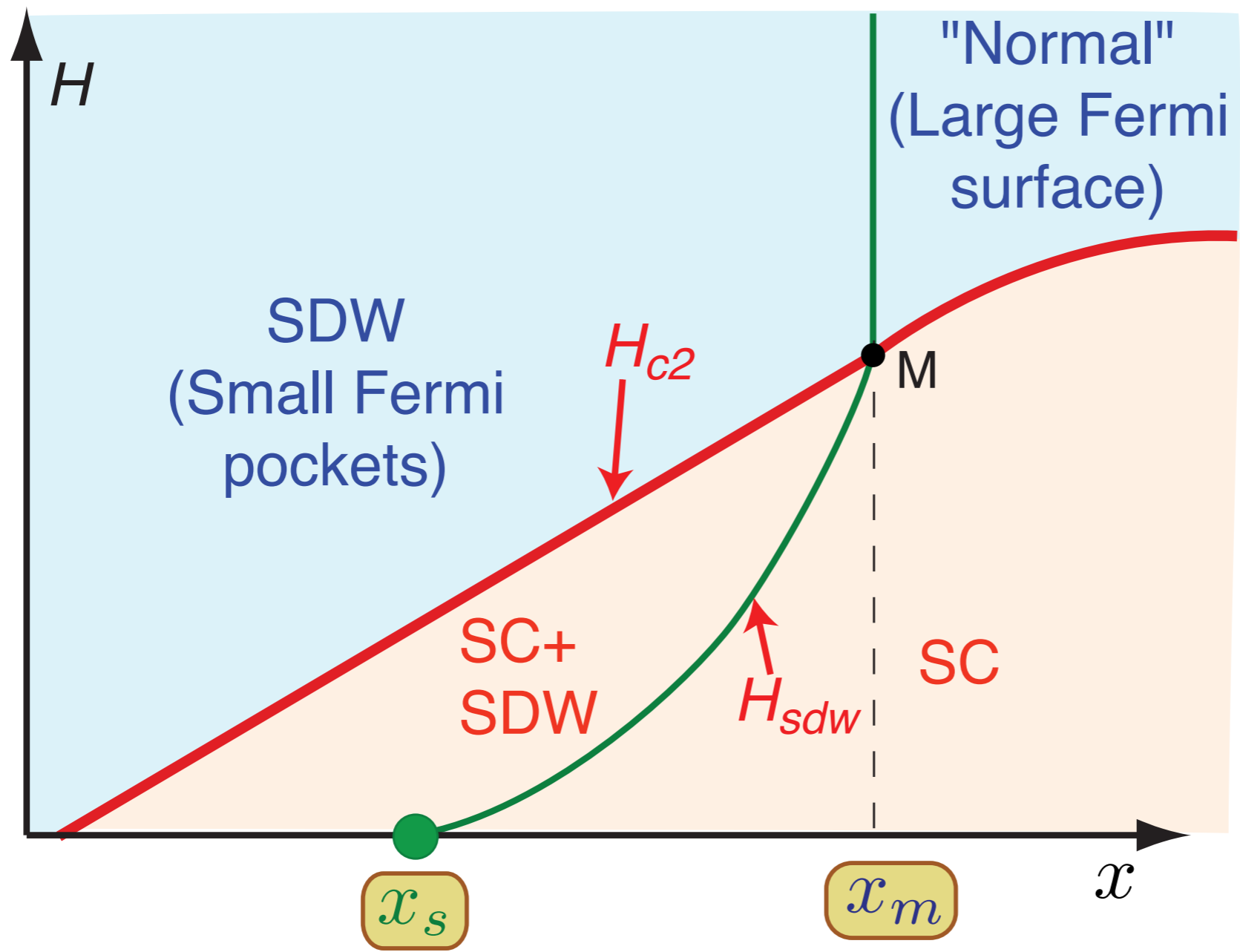


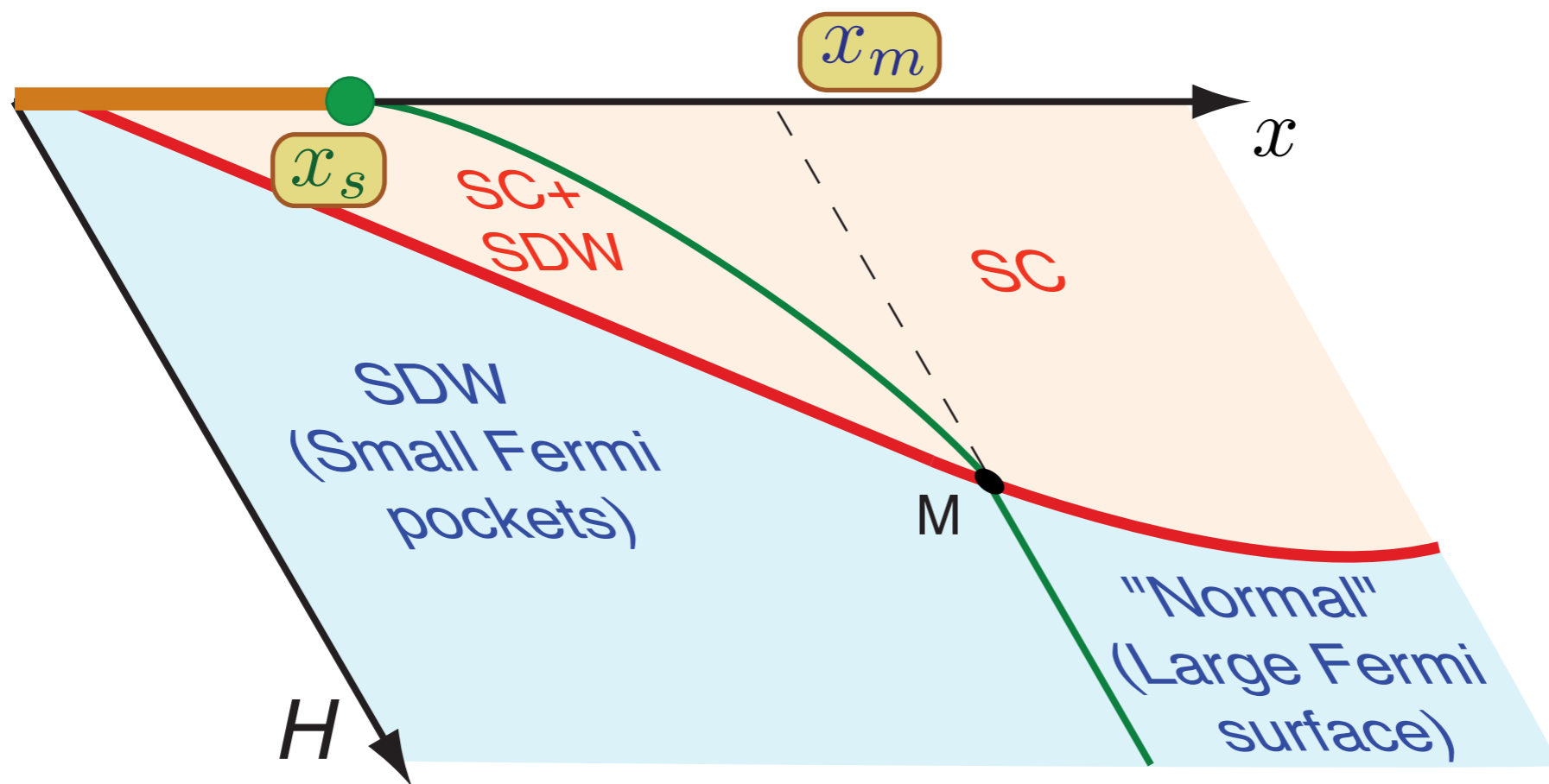
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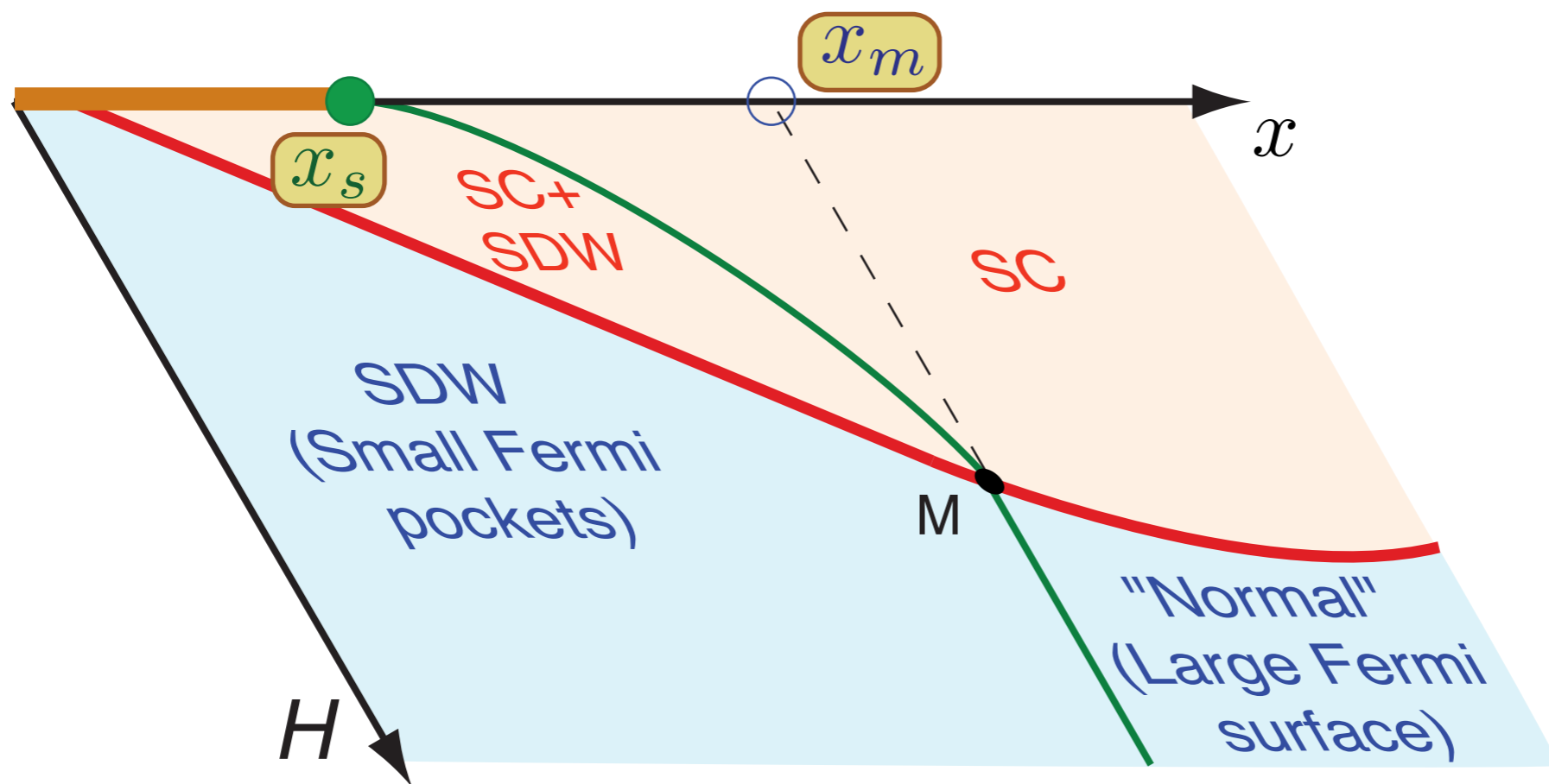


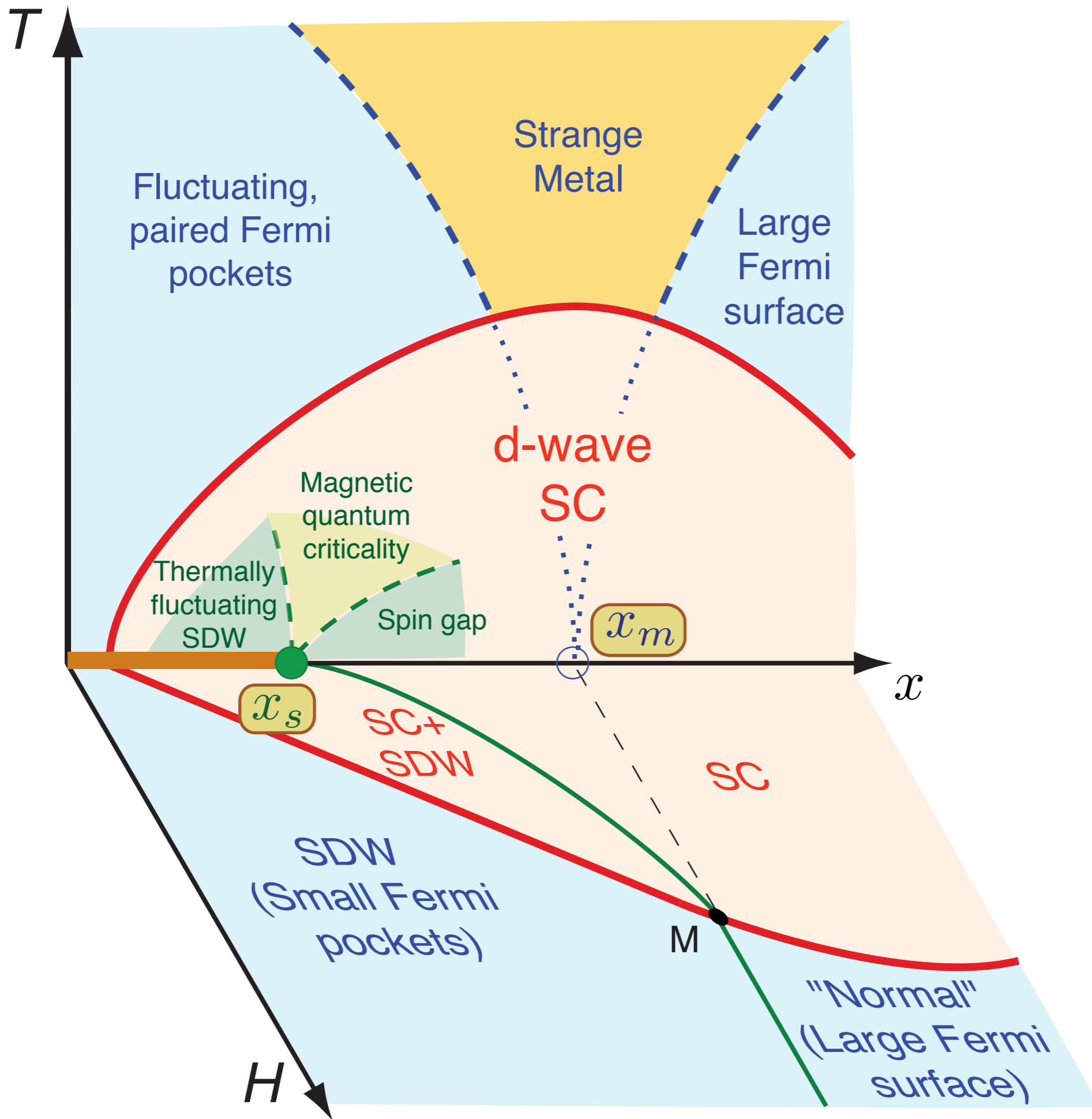
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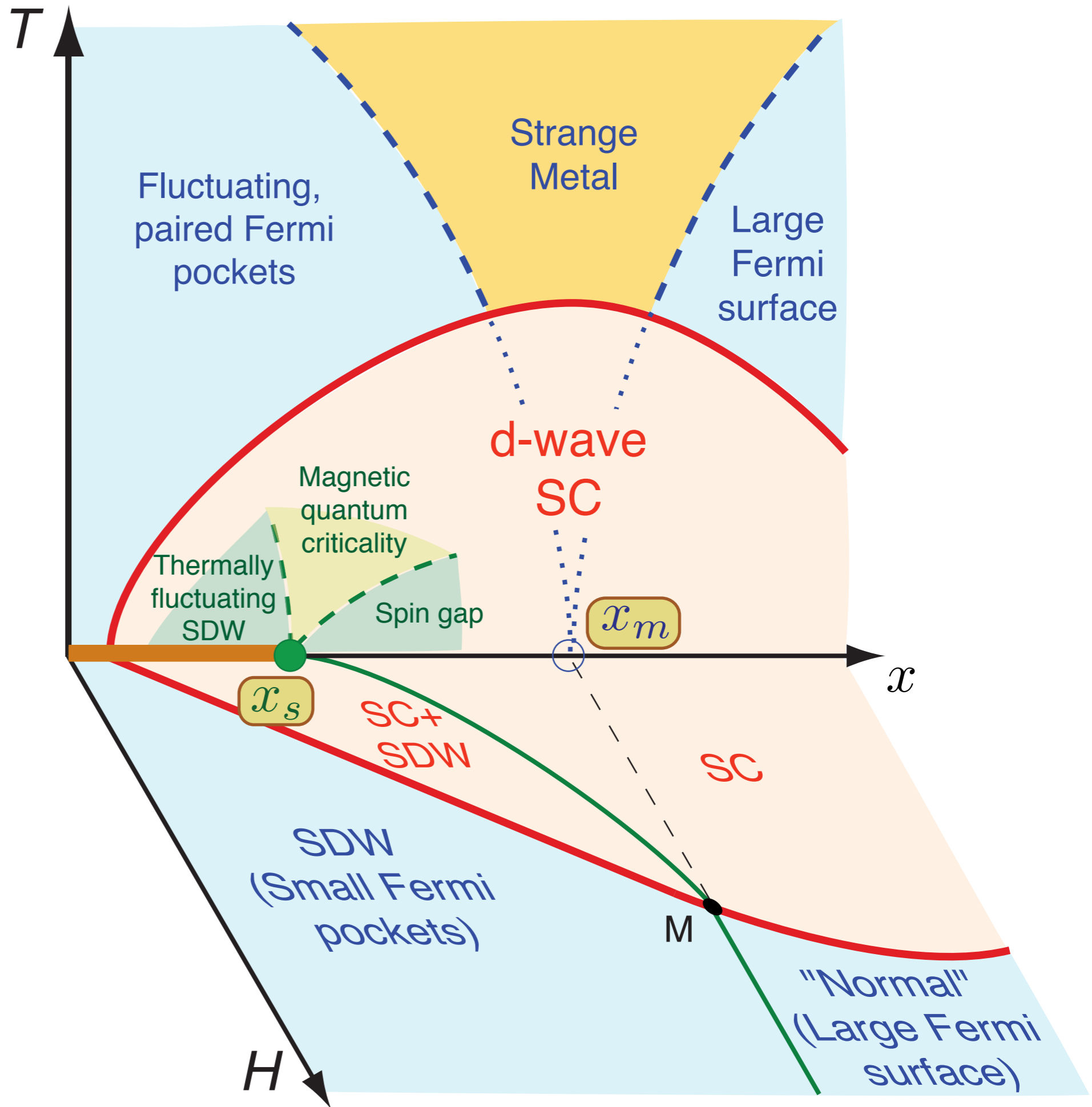
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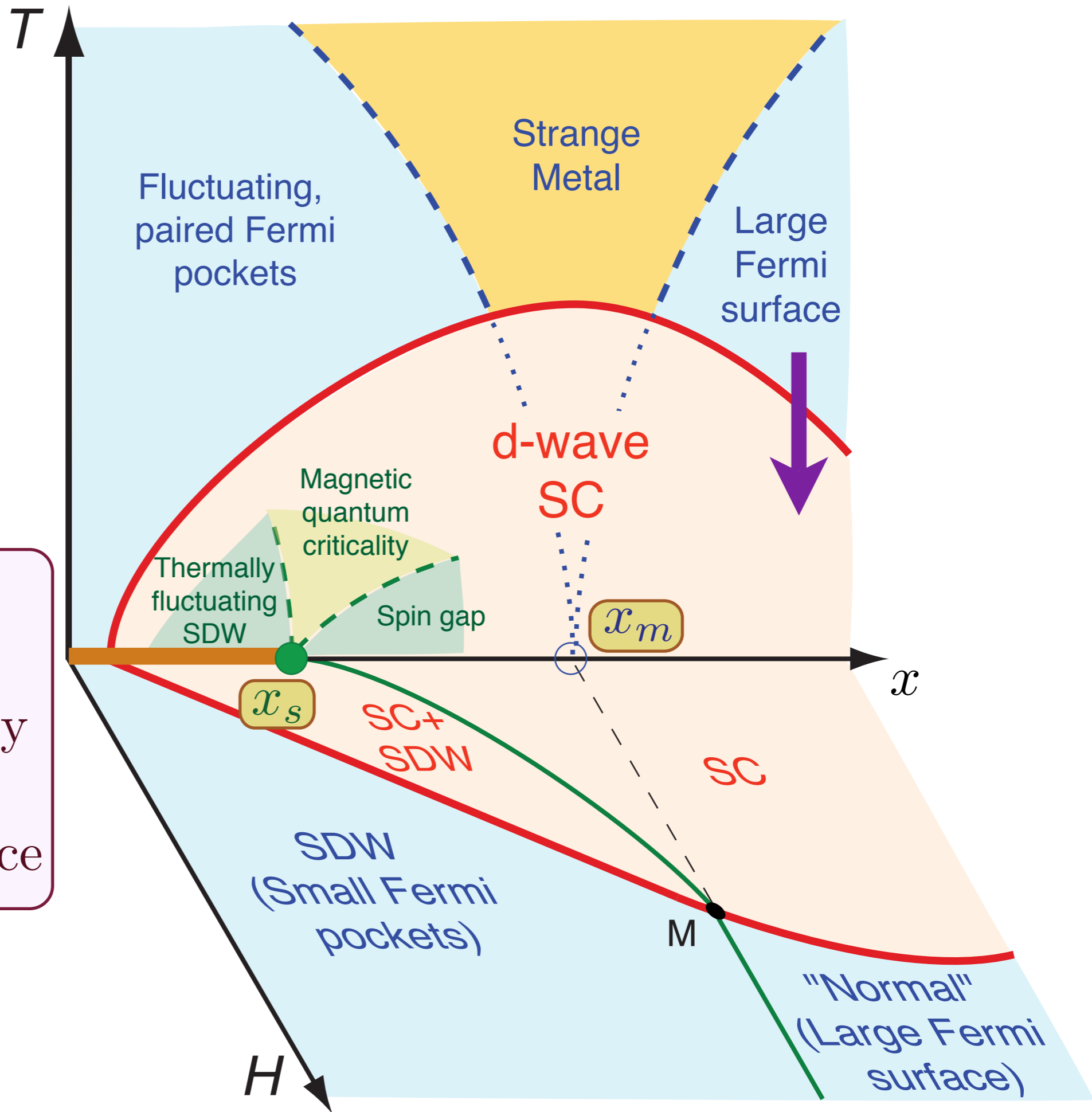
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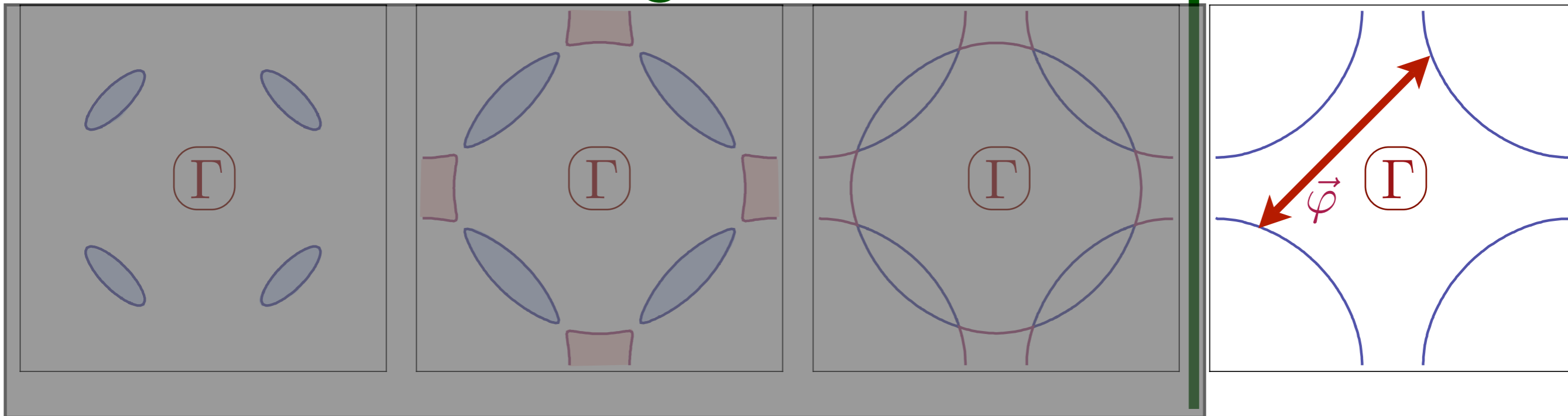


Theory of the onset of *d*-wave superconductivity from a large Fermi surface



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

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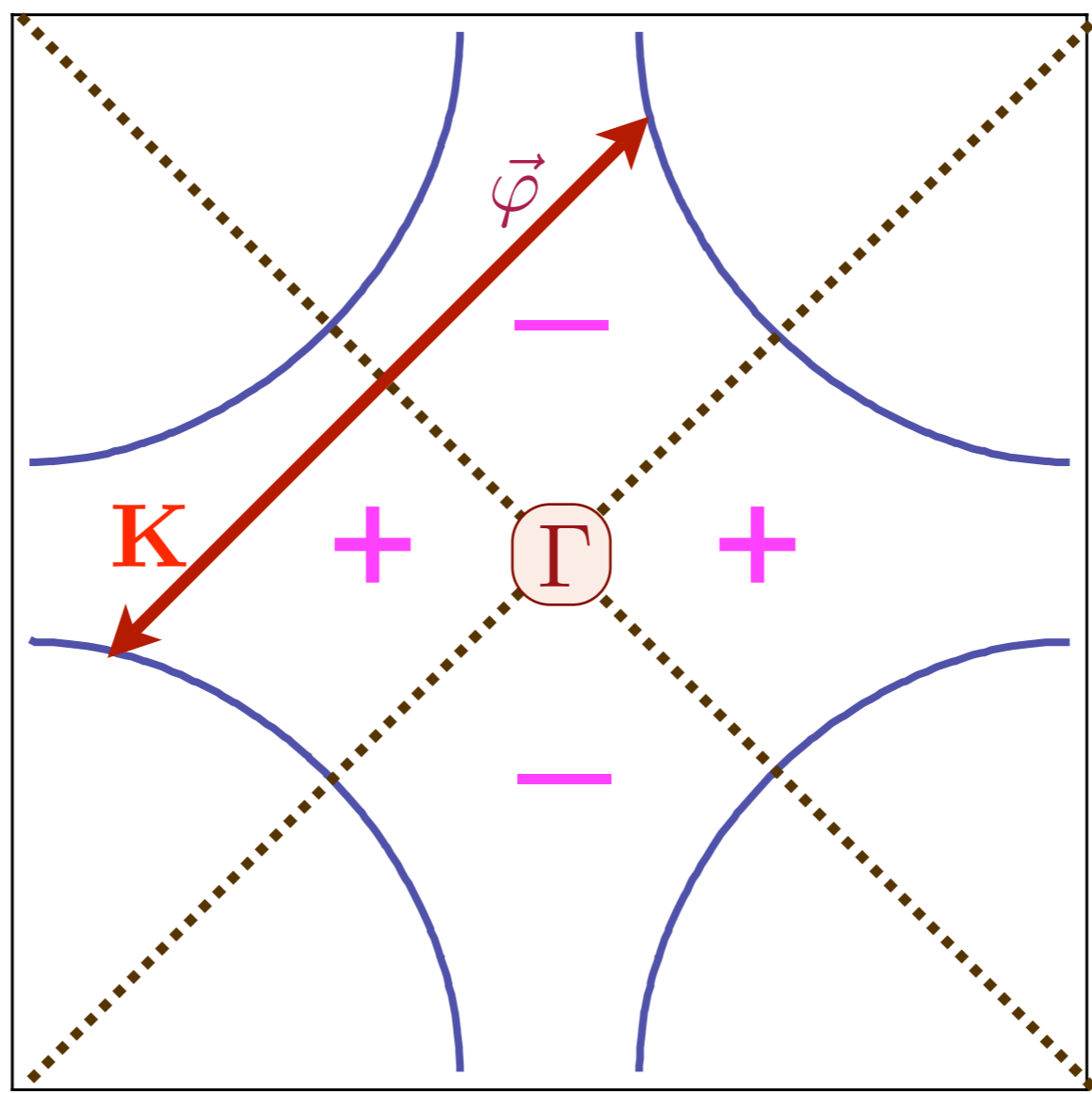


Fermions at the *large* Fermi surface exchange fluctuations of the SDW order parameter $\vec{\varphi}$.

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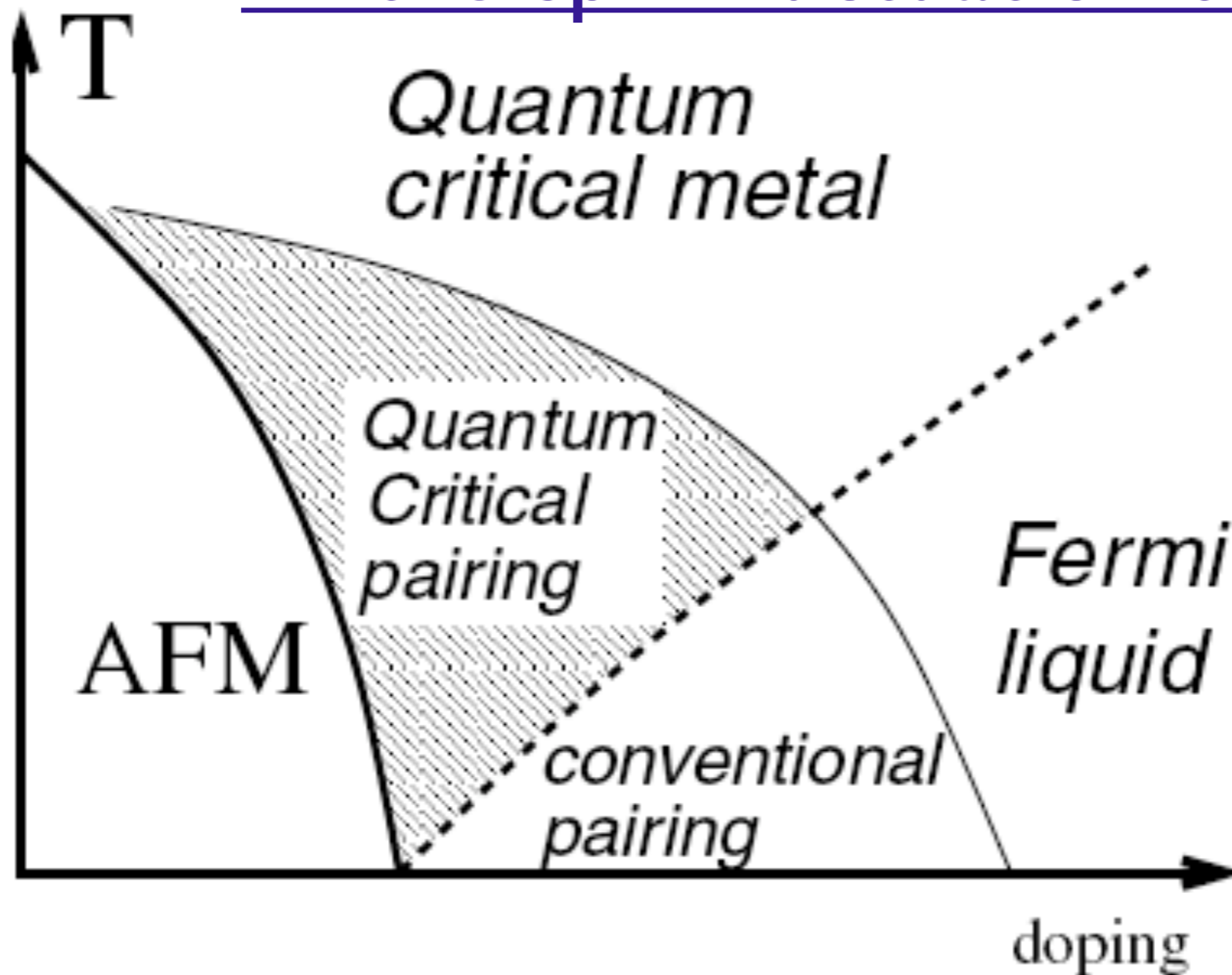


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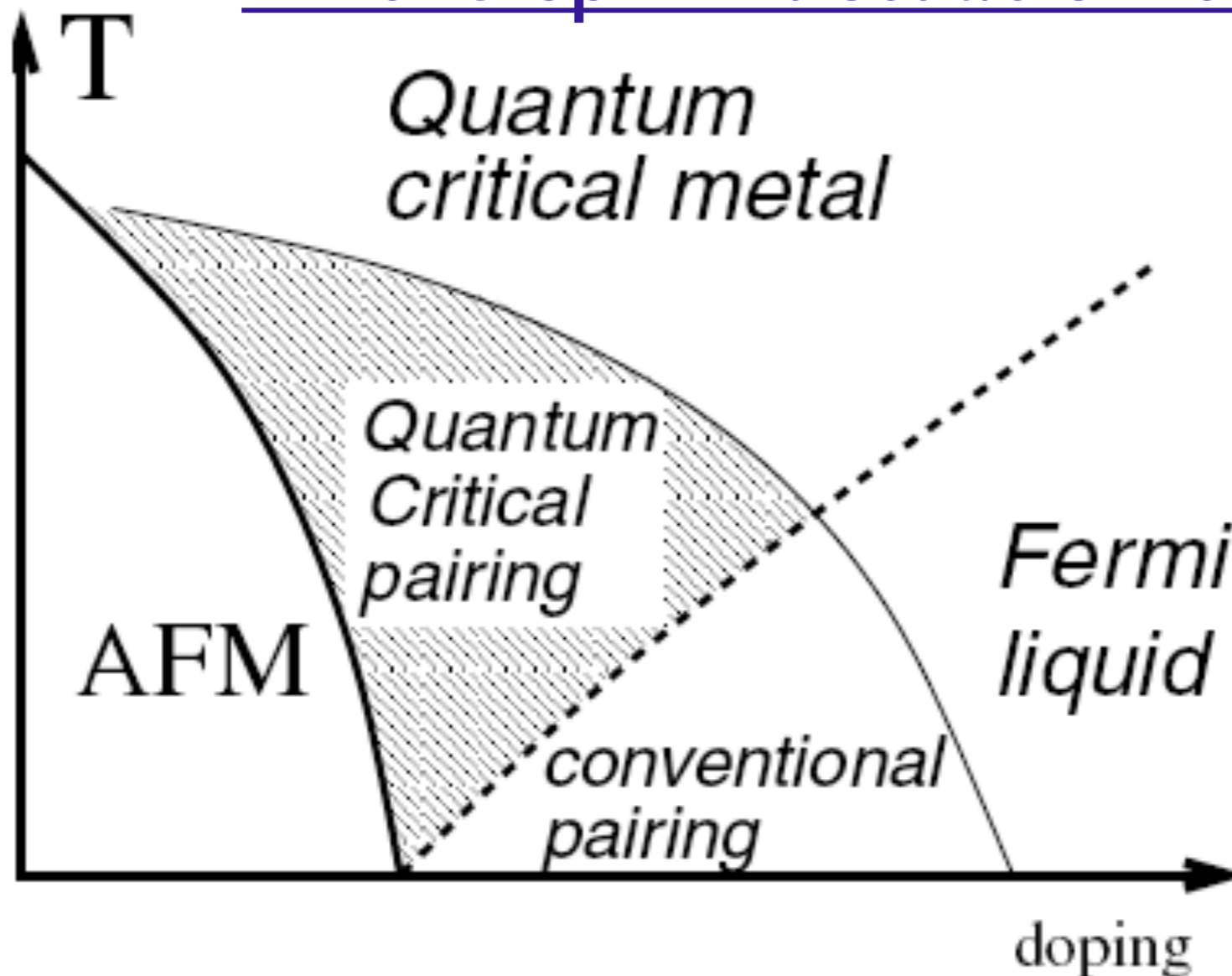
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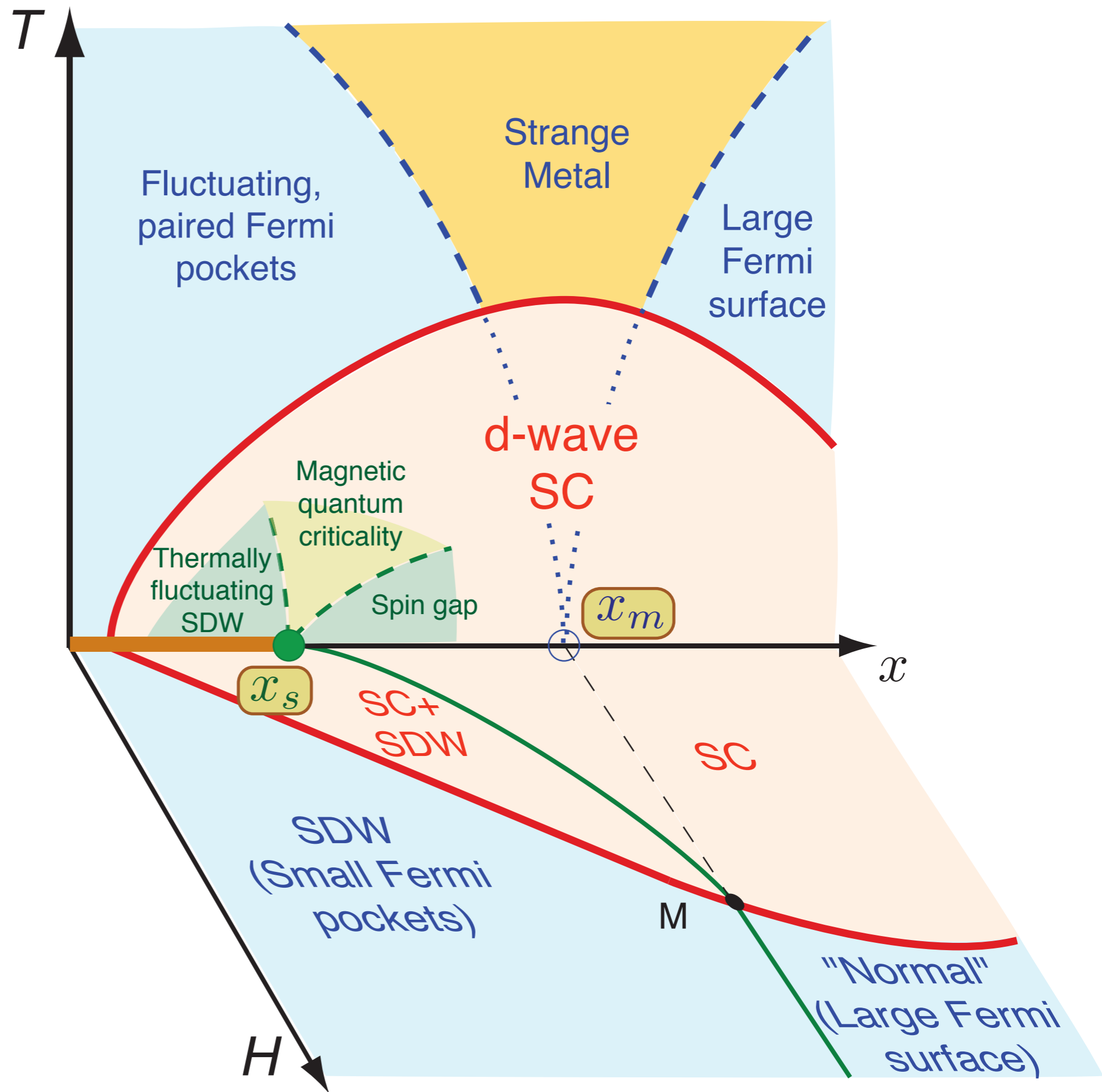
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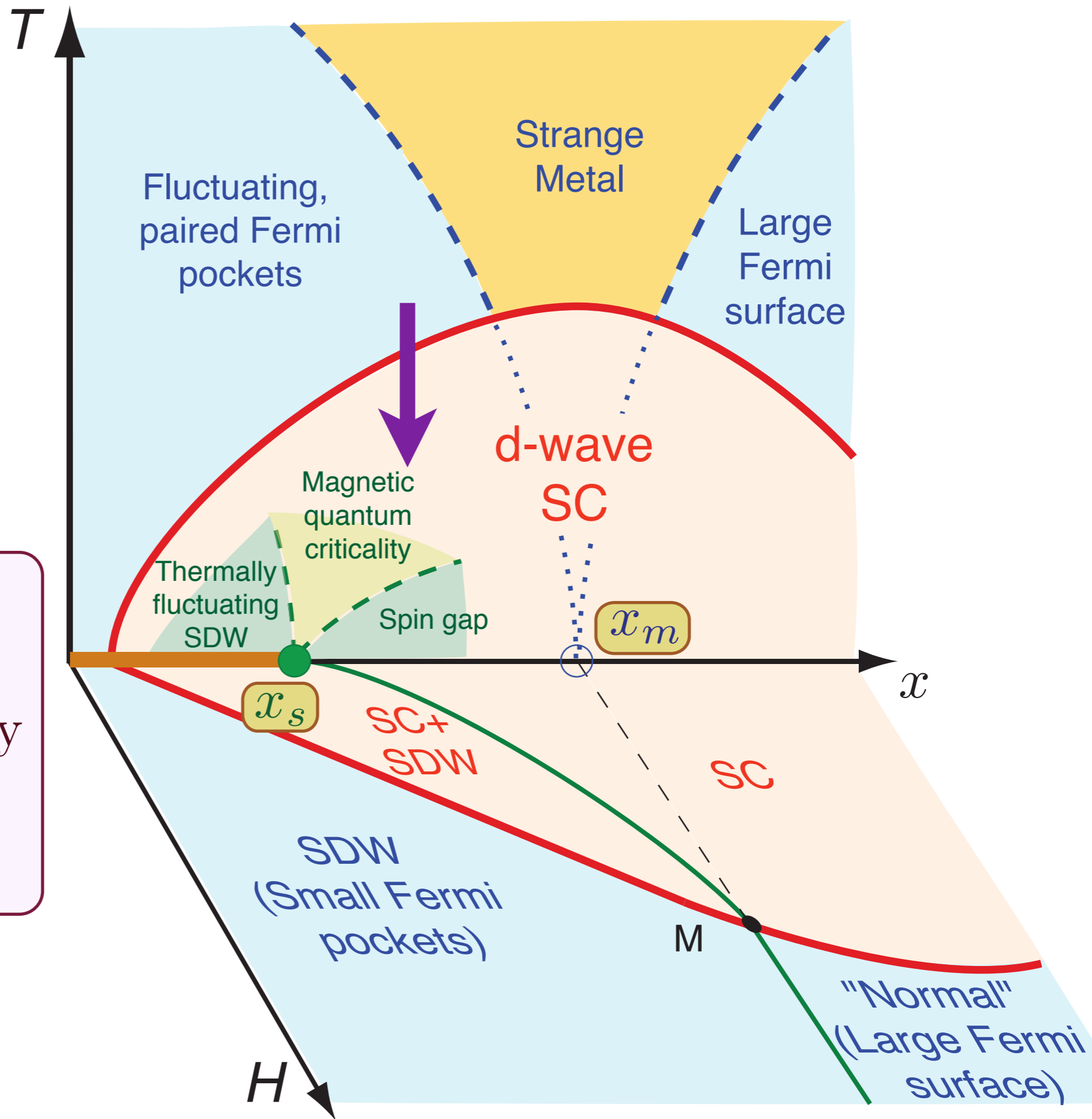
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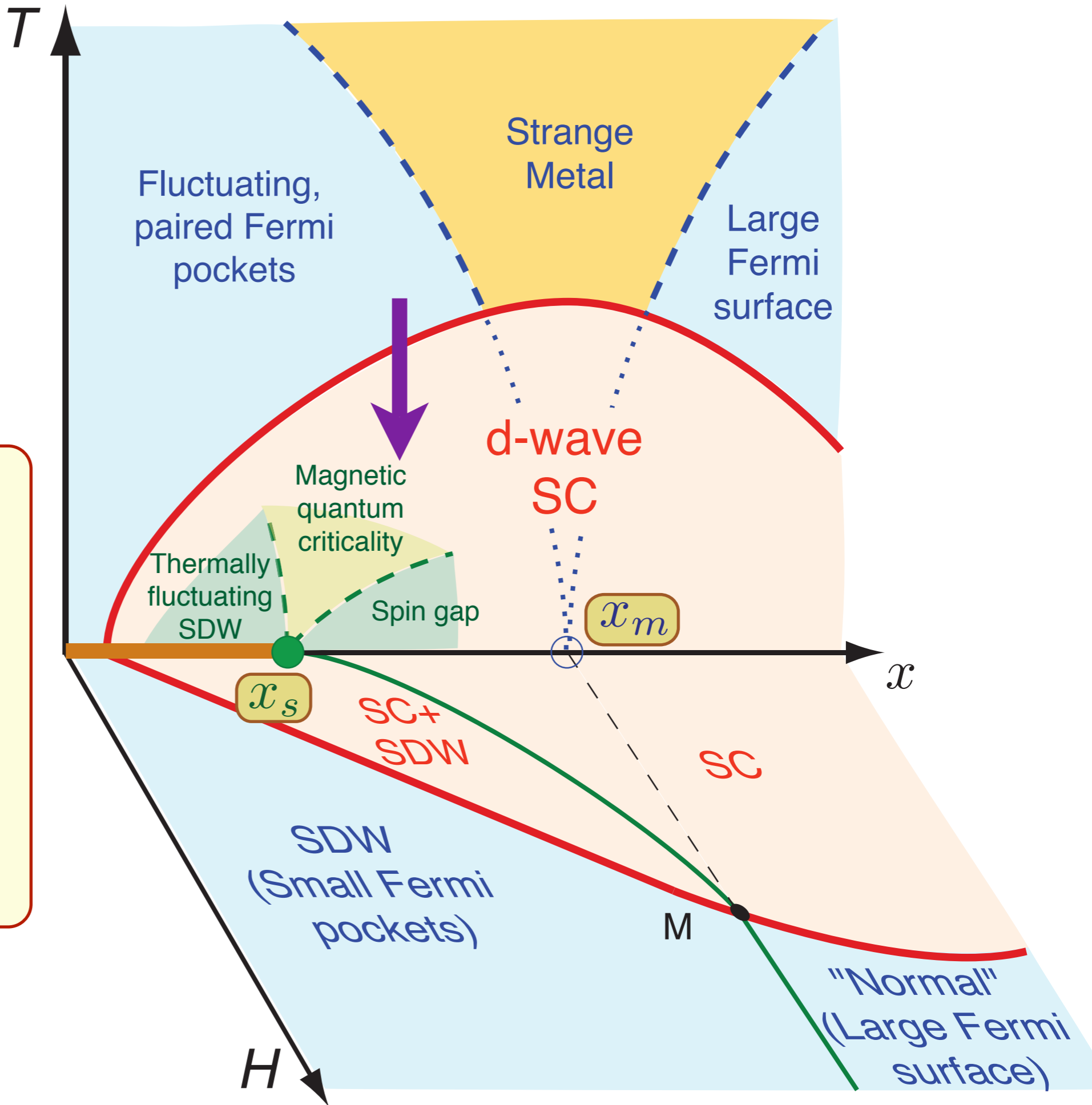
- T_c increases upon approaching the SDW transition.
SDW and SC orders do not compete, but attract each other.



Theory of the onset of *d*-wave superconductivity from small Fermi pockets

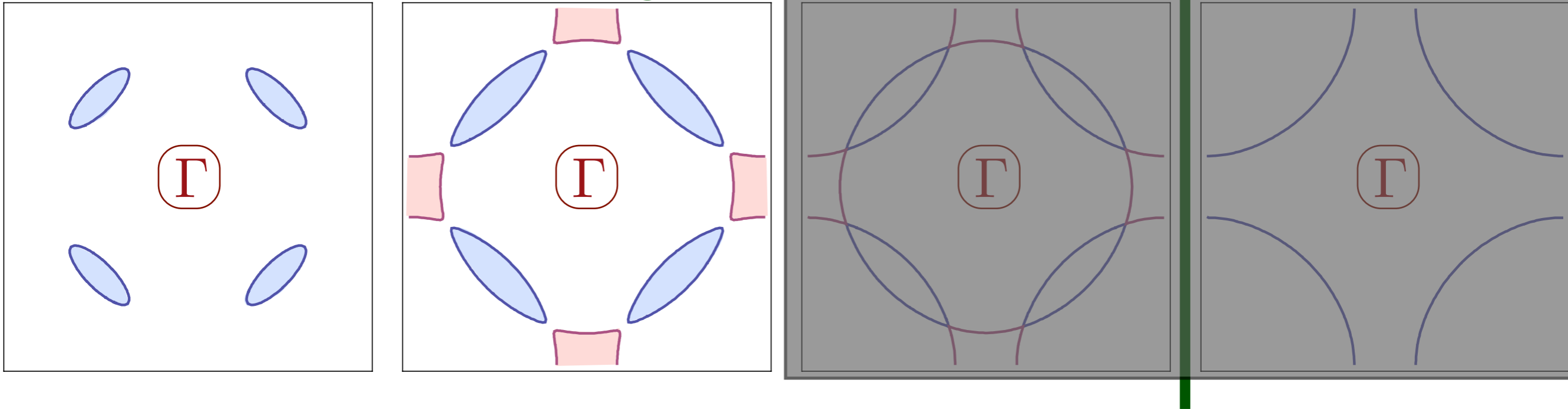


Physics of competition:
d-wave SC and SDW “eat up” same pieces of the large Fermi surface.



Theory of underdoped cuprates

← Increasing SDW order →



Begin with SDW ordered state, and rotate to a frame polarized along the local orientation of the SDW order $\hat{\varphi}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_{\uparrow} \\ c_{\downarrow} \end{pmatrix} = R \begin{pmatrix} \psi_{+} \\ \psi_{-} \end{pmatrix} ; \quad R^{\dagger} \hat{\varphi} \cdot \vec{\sigma} R = \sigma^z ; \quad R^{\dagger} R = 1$$

Theory of underdoped cuprates

$$\text{With } R = \begin{pmatrix} z_{\uparrow} & -z_{\downarrow}^* \\ z_{\downarrow} & z_{\uparrow}^* \end{pmatrix}$$

the theory is invariant under the U(1) gauge transformation

$$z_{\alpha} \rightarrow e^{i\theta} z_{\alpha} \quad ; \quad \psi_{+} \rightarrow e^{-i\theta} \psi_{+} \quad ; \quad \psi_{-} \rightarrow e^{i\theta} \psi_{-}$$

and the SDW order is given by

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

Theory of underdoped cuprates

Starting from the “SDW-fermion” model
with Lagrangian

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} = & \sum_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}^\dagger \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} - \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}} \right) c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha} \\ & - E_{sdw} \sum_i c_{i\alpha}^\dagger \hat{\varphi}_i \cdot \vec{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} c_{i\beta} e^{i\mathbf{K}\cdot\mathbf{r}_i} \\ & + \frac{1}{2t} \left(\partial_\mu \hat{\varphi} \right)^2\end{aligned}$$

Theory of underdoped cuprates

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$$\mathcal{L}_\psi = \sum_{\mathbf{k}, p=\pm} \left[\psi_{\mathbf{k}p}^\dagger \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} - ipA_\tau + \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}-p\mathbf{A}} \right) \psi_{\mathbf{k}p} - E_{sdw} \psi_{\mathbf{k}p}^\dagger p \psi_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{K},p} \right]$$

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$$\mathcal{L}_z = \frac{1}{t} \left[|(\partial_\tau - iA_\tau)z_\alpha|^2 + v^2 |\nabla - i\mathbf{A})z_\alpha|^2 + i\lambda(|z_\alpha|^2 - 1) \right]$$

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- d -wave superconductivity.
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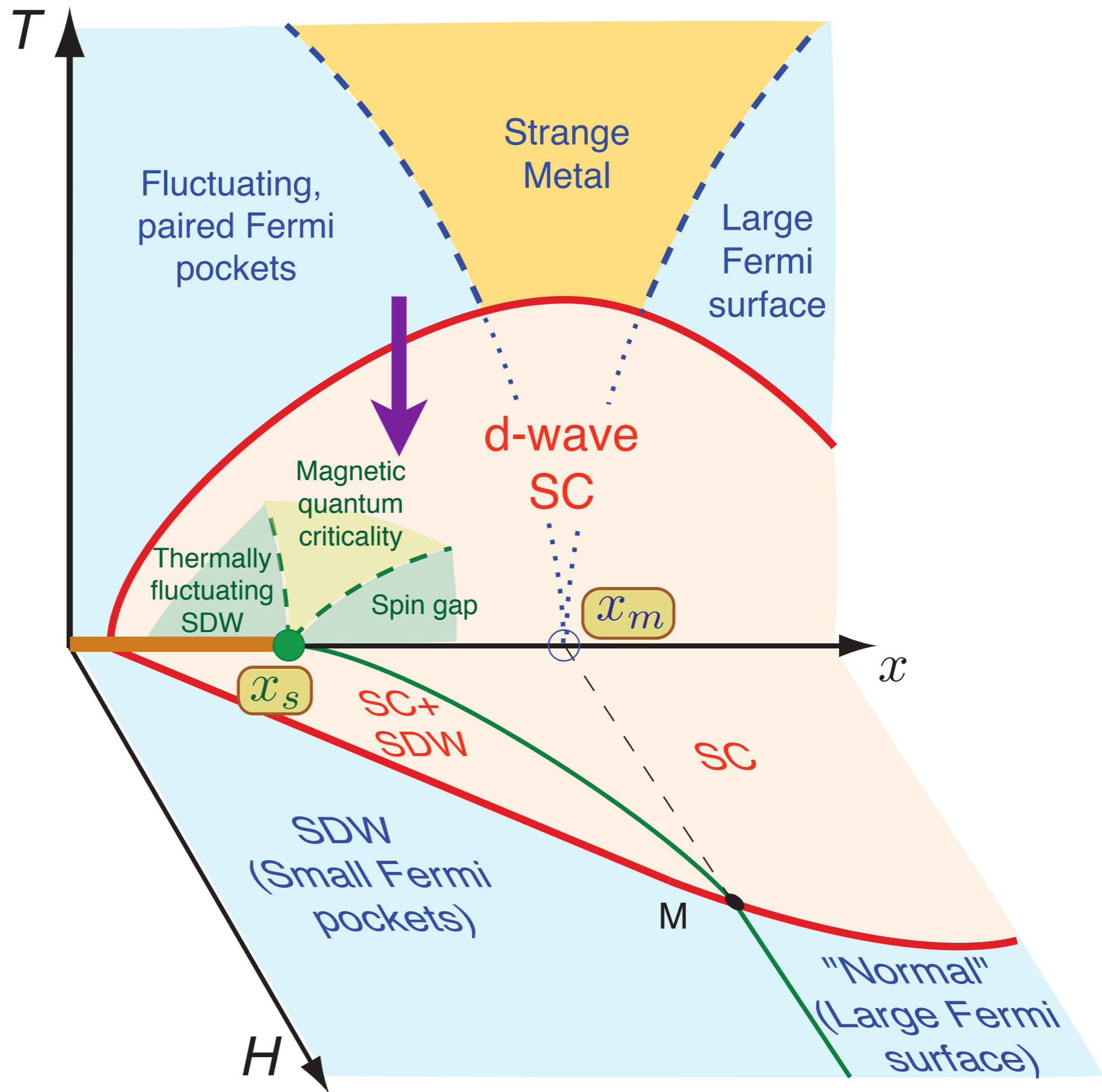
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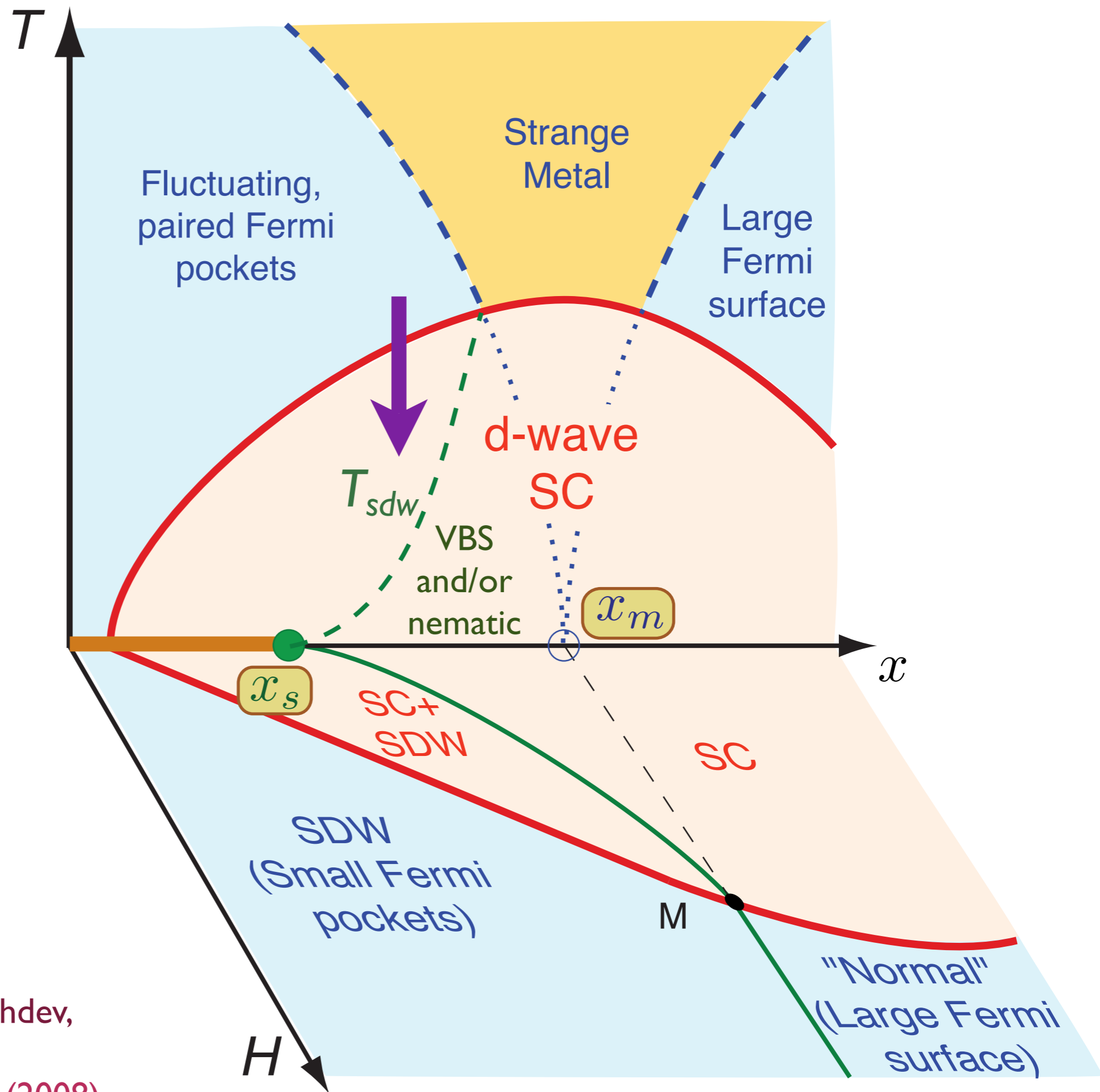
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- After onset of superconductivity, monopoles condense and lead to confinement and **nematic** and/or **valence bond solid (VBS)** order.





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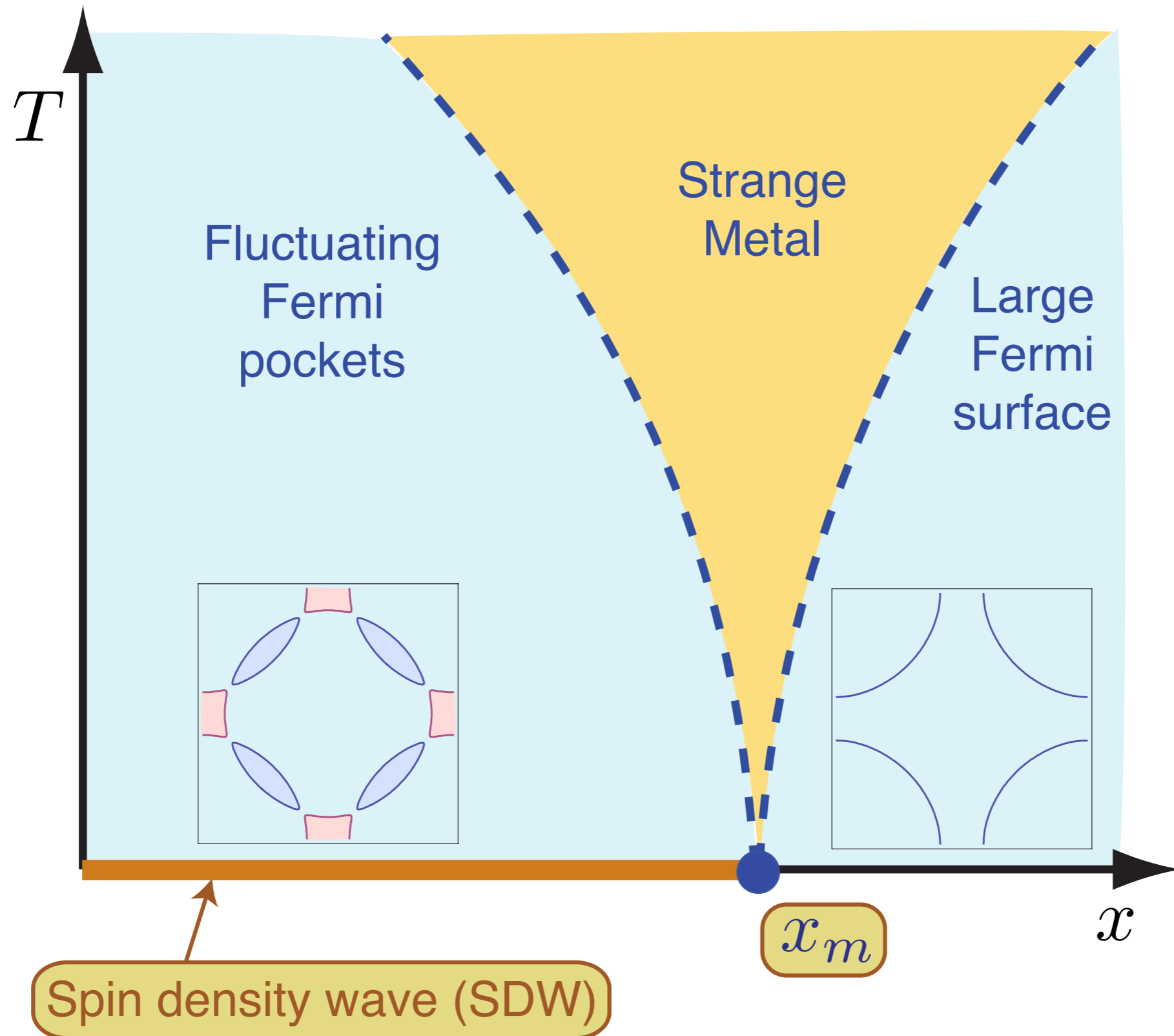
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Theory of quantum criticality in the cuprates



Underlying SDW ordering quantum critical point
in metal at $x = x_m$



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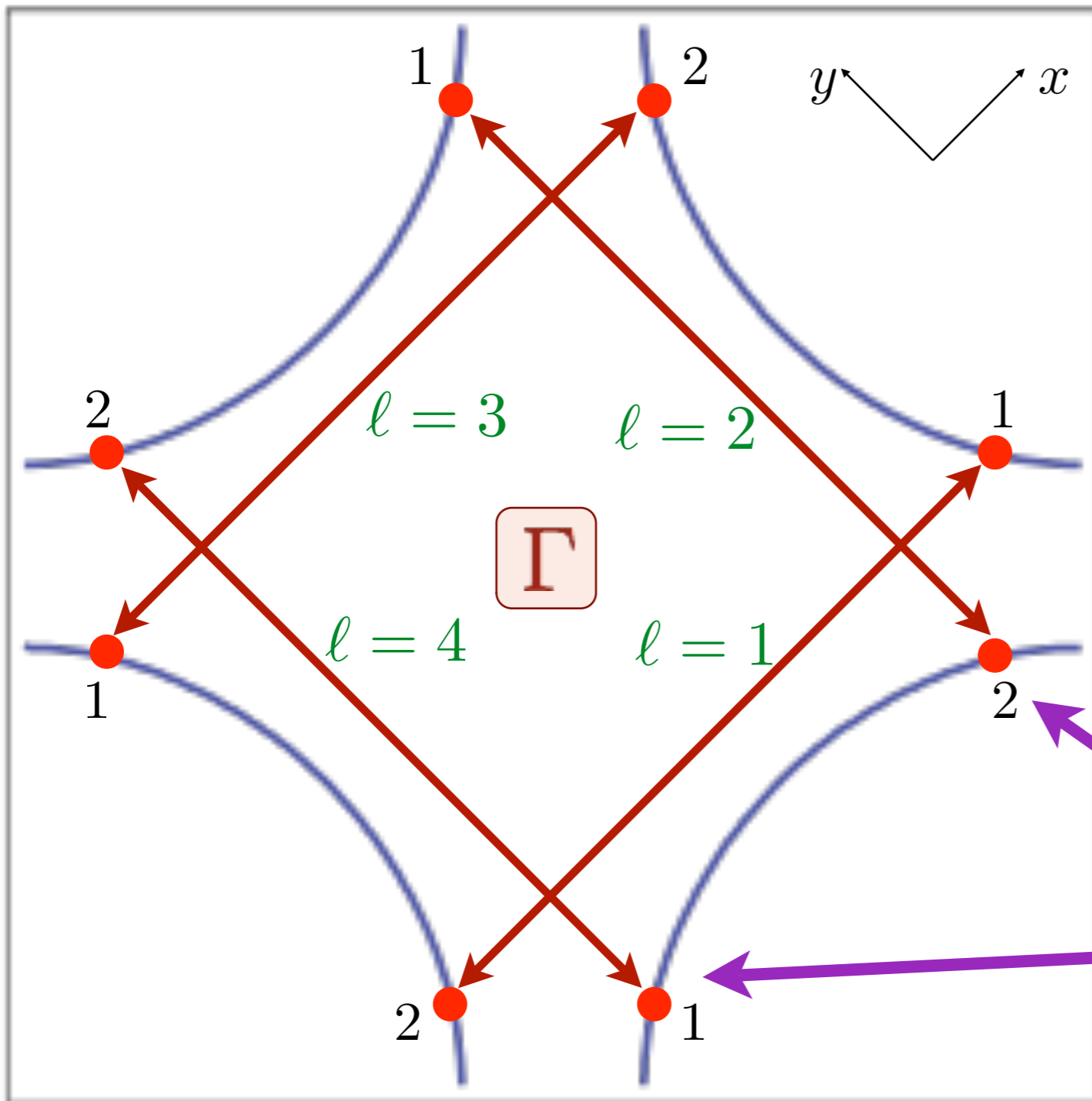
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Start from the “spin-fermion” model

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{Z} &= \int \mathcal{D}c_\alpha \mathcal{D}\vec{\varphi} \exp(-\mathcal{S}) \\ \mathcal{S} &= \int d\tau \sum_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}^\dagger \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} - \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}} \right) c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha} \\ &\quad - \lambda \int d\tau \sum_i c_{i\alpha}^\dagger \vec{\varphi}_i \cdot \vec{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} c_{i\beta} e^{i\mathbf{K}\cdot\mathbf{r}_i} \\ &\quad + \int d\tau d^2r \left[(\partial_r \vec{\varphi})^2 + \frac{1}{c^2} (\partial_\tau \vec{\varphi})^2 \right] \end{aligned}$$



Low energy fermions

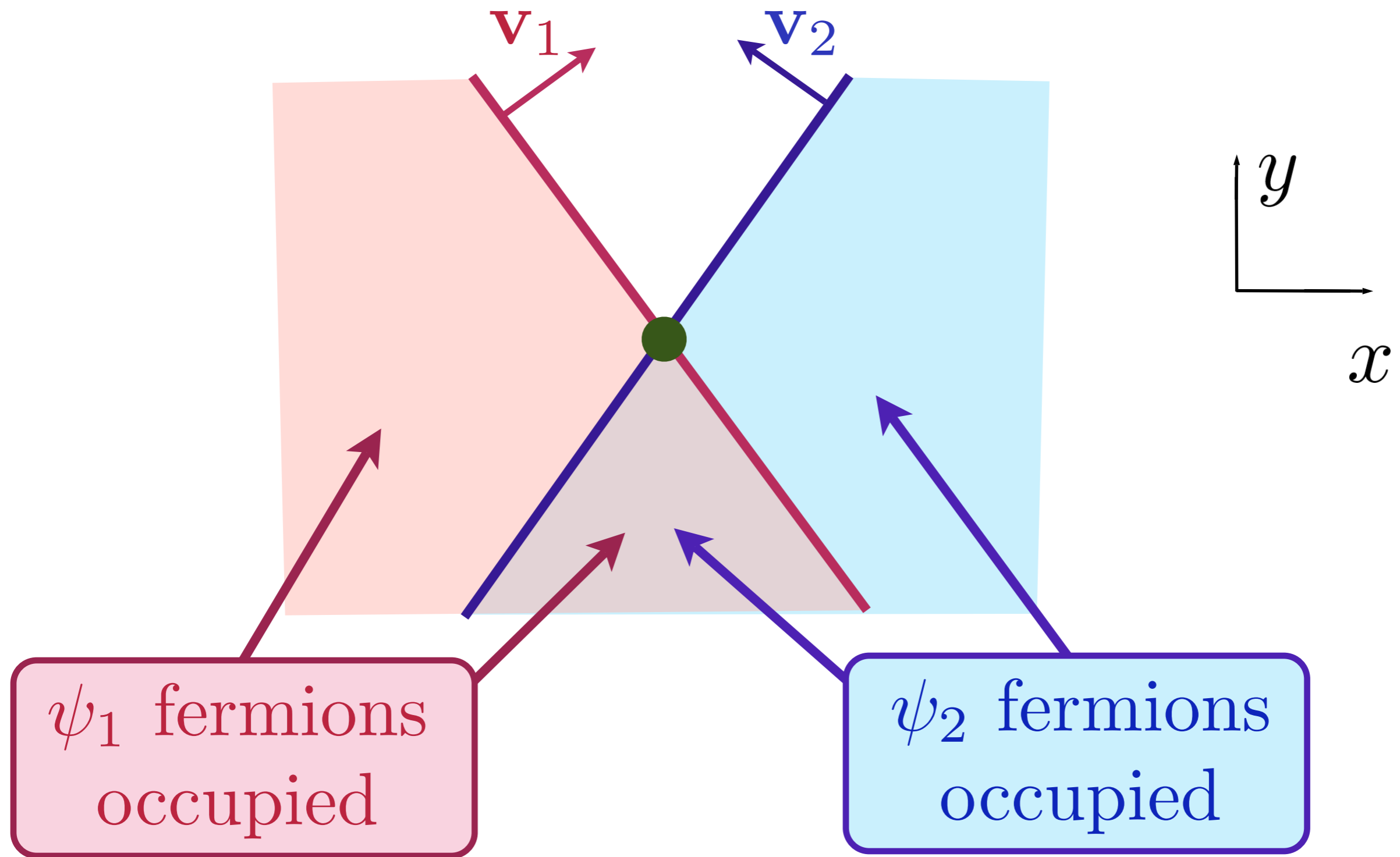
$$\psi_{1\alpha}^l, \psi_{2\alpha}^l$$

$$l = 1, \dots, 4$$

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Hertz-Millis theory

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Ar.Abanov and A.V. Chubukov, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **93**, 255702 (2004).

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Perform RG on both fermions and $\vec{\varphi}$,
using a *local* field theory.

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With $z = 2$ scaling, ζ is irrelevant.

So we take $\zeta \rightarrow 0$

( watch for dangerous irrelevancy).

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Set fermion wavefunction renormalization by keeping Yukawa coupling fixed.

Y. Huh and S. Sachdev, *Phys. Rev. B* **78**, 064512 (2008).

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We find consistent two-loop RG factors, as $\zeta \rightarrow 0$, for the velocities v_x , v_y , and the wavefunction renormalizations.

Consistency check: the expression for the boson damping constant, $\gamma = \frac{2}{\pi v_x v_y}$, is preserved under RG.

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$$\frac{1}{v_x} \frac{dv_x}{d\ell} = \frac{\mathcal{A}(\alpha) + \mathcal{B}(\alpha)}{2} ; \quad \frac{1}{v_y} \frac{dv_y}{d\ell} = \frac{-\mathcal{A}(\alpha) + \mathcal{B}(\alpha)}{2}$$

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The anomalous dimensions of $\vec{\varphi}$ and ψ are

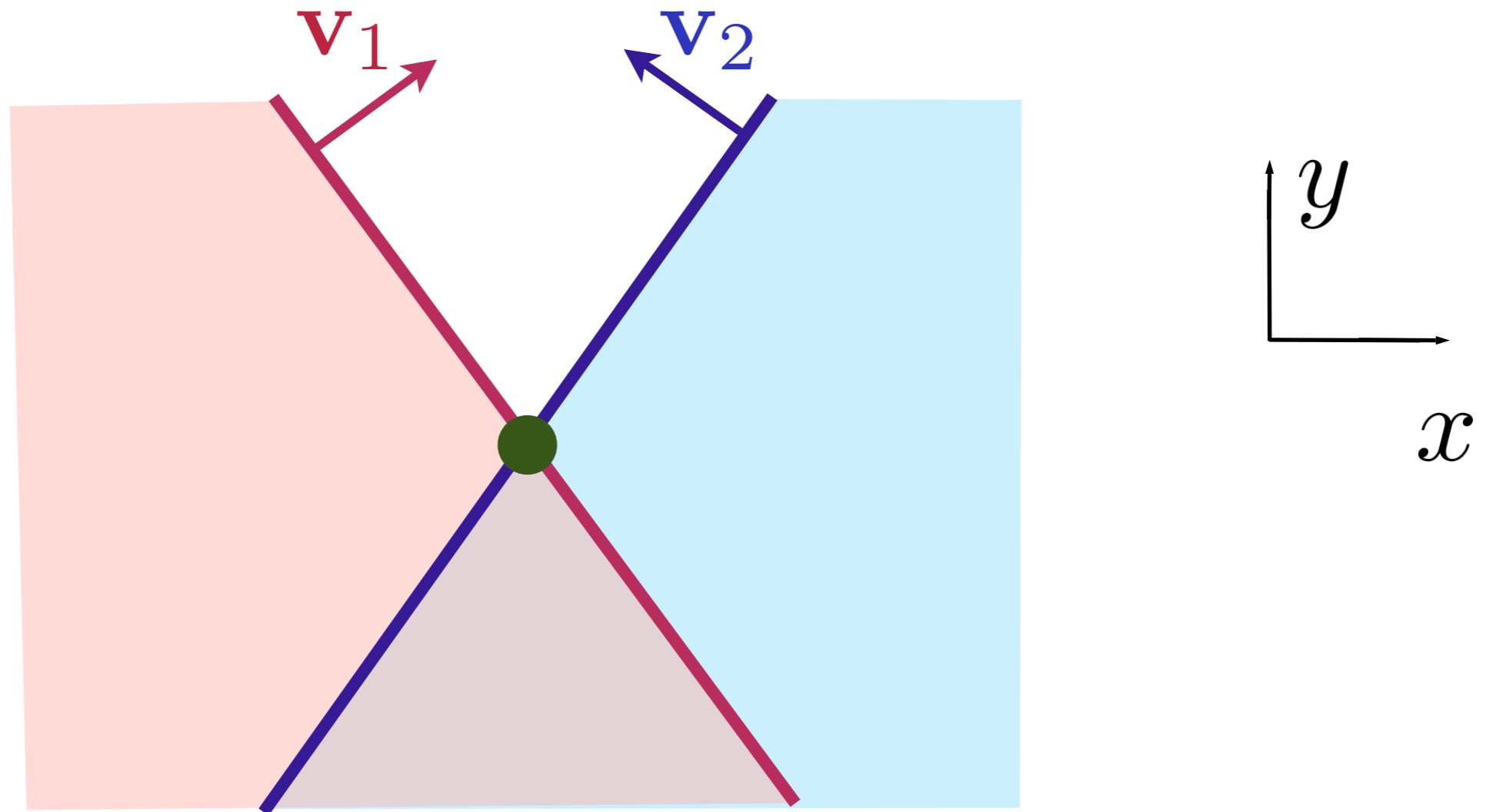
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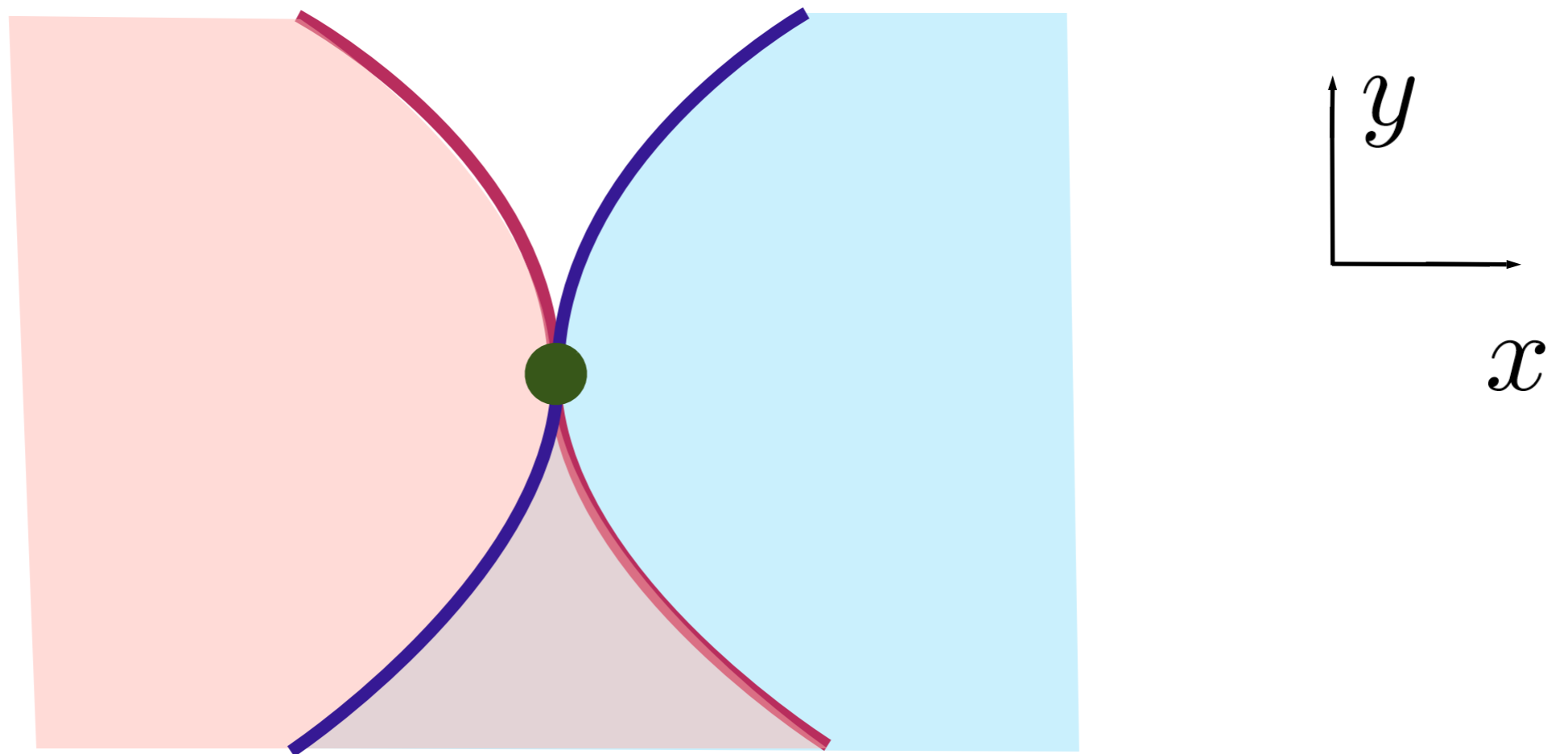


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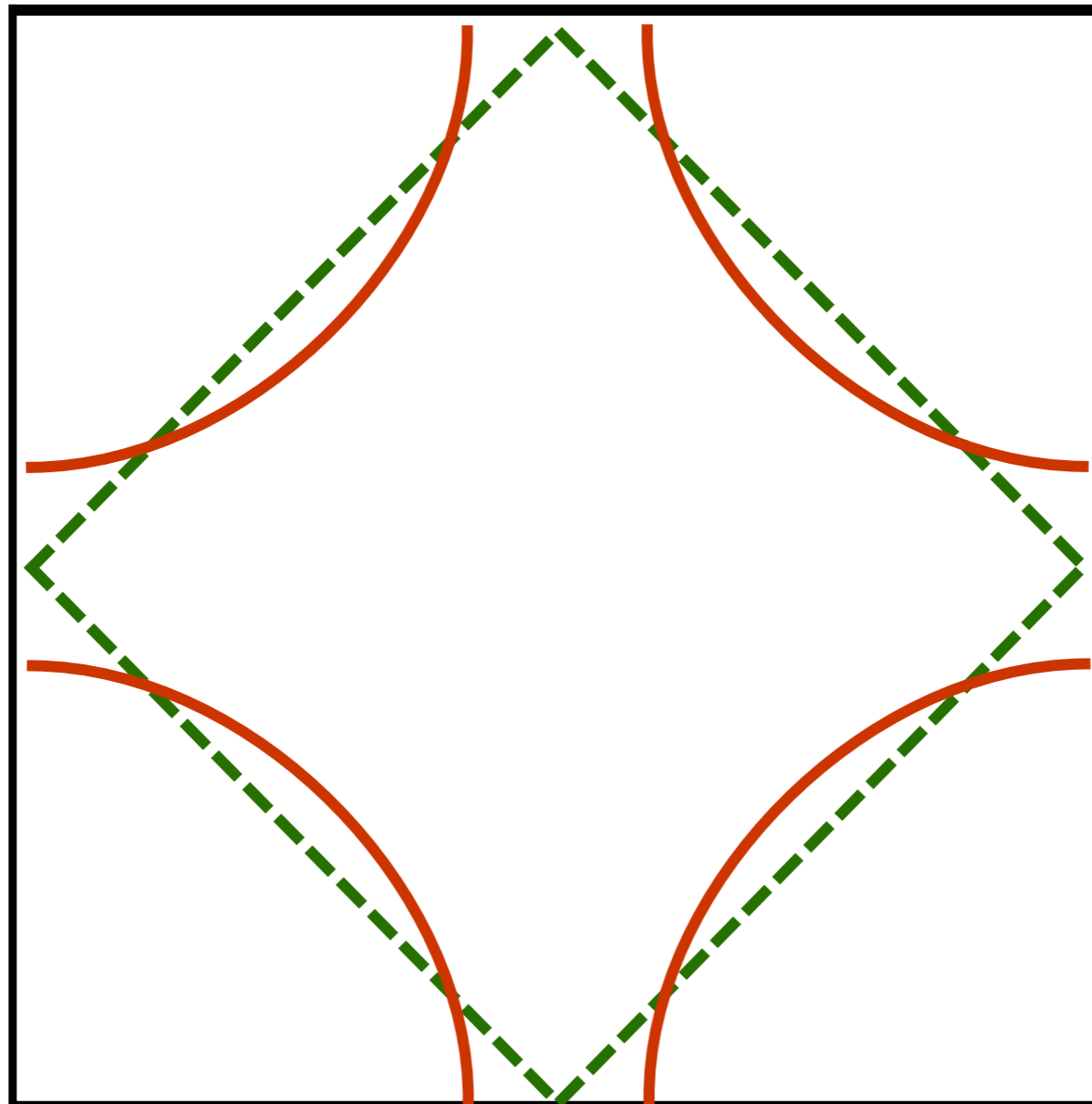


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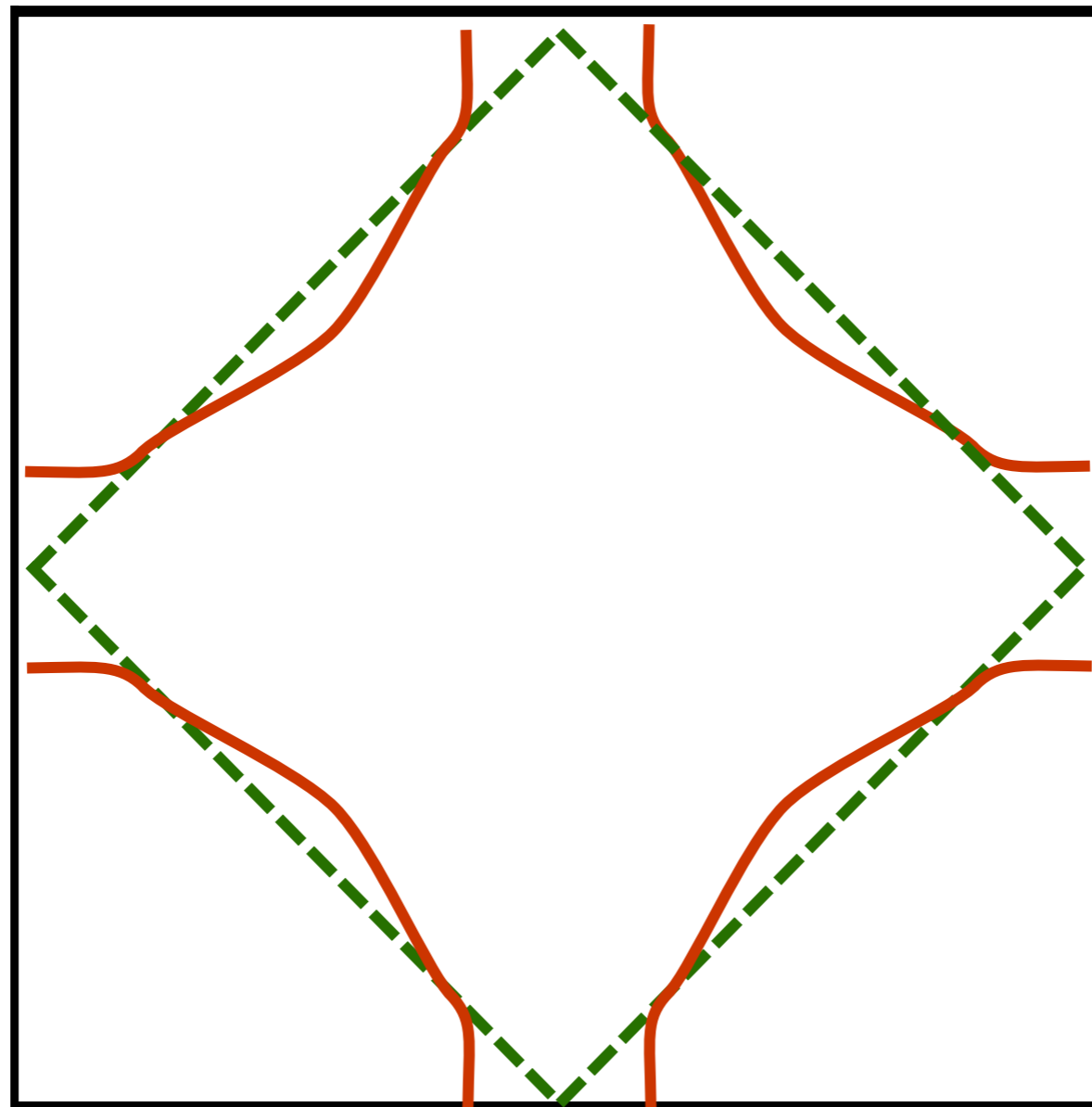


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In $\vec{\varphi}$ SDW fluctuations, characteristic q and ω scale as

$$q \sim \omega^{1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{3}{64\pi^2} \left(\frac{\ln(1/\omega)}{N}\right)^3\right).$$

However, $1/N$ expansion cannot be trusted in the asymptotic regime.

New infra-red singularities as $\zeta \rightarrow 0$ at higher loops (Breakdown of Migdal-Eliashberg)

$\vec{\varphi}$ propagator

$$\frac{1}{N} \frac{1}{(q^2 + \gamma|\omega|)}$$

fermion propagator

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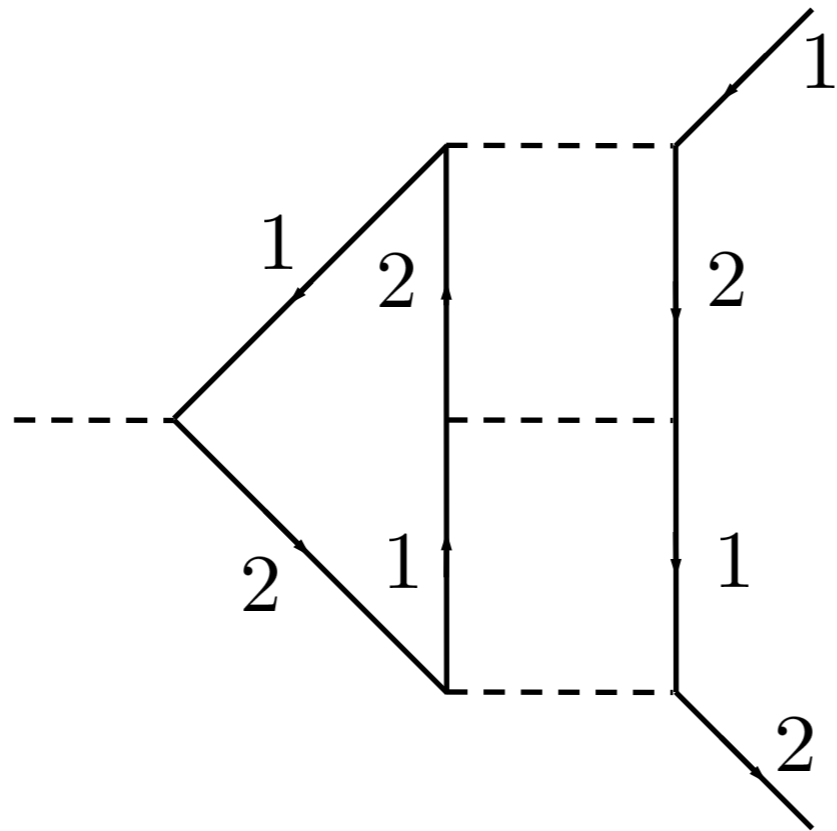
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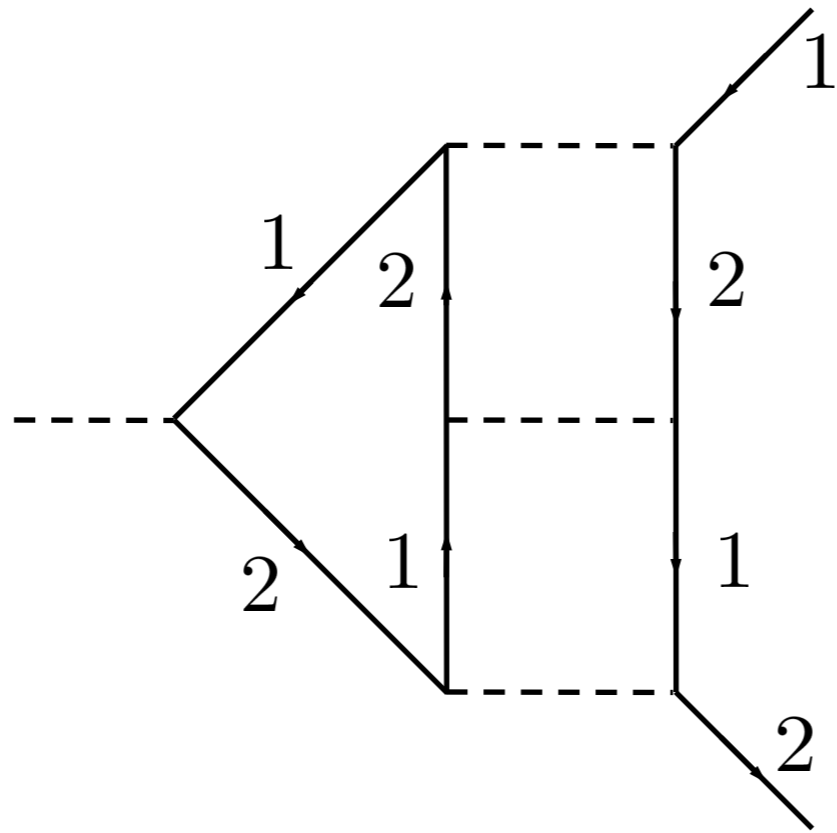
 **Dangerous**

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Actual order $\sim \frac{1}{N^0}$

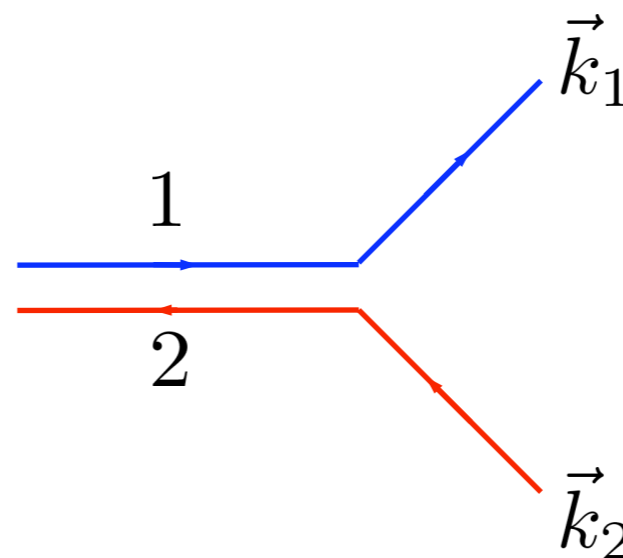
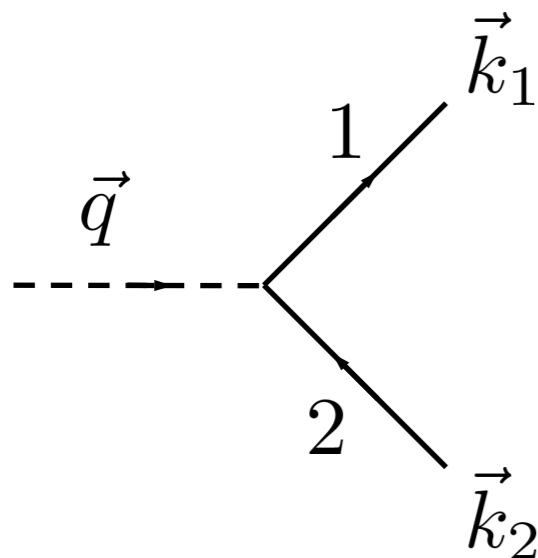
Double line representation

- A way to compute the order of a diagram.
- Extra powers of N come from the Fermi-surface

$$G(\omega, \vec{k}) = \frac{1}{-\Sigma_1(\omega, \vec{k}) - \vec{v} \cdot \vec{k}} \quad \Sigma_1 \sim \frac{1}{N}$$

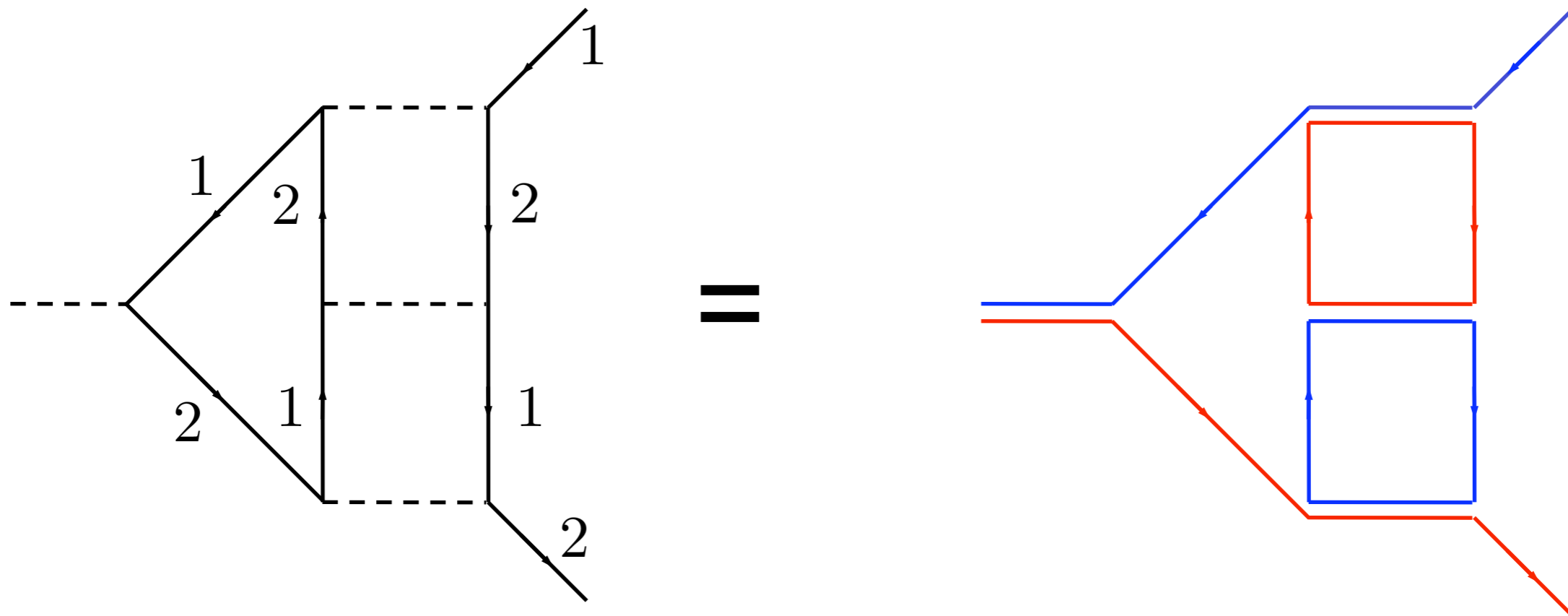
- What are the conditions for all propagators to be on the Fermi surface?
- Concentrate on diagrams involving a single pair of hot-spots
- Any bosonic momentum may be (uniquely) written as

$$\vec{q} = \vec{k}_1 - \vec{k}_2 \quad \vec{k}_1 \in \text{FS of } \psi_1 \quad \vec{k}_2 \in \text{FS of } \psi_2$$



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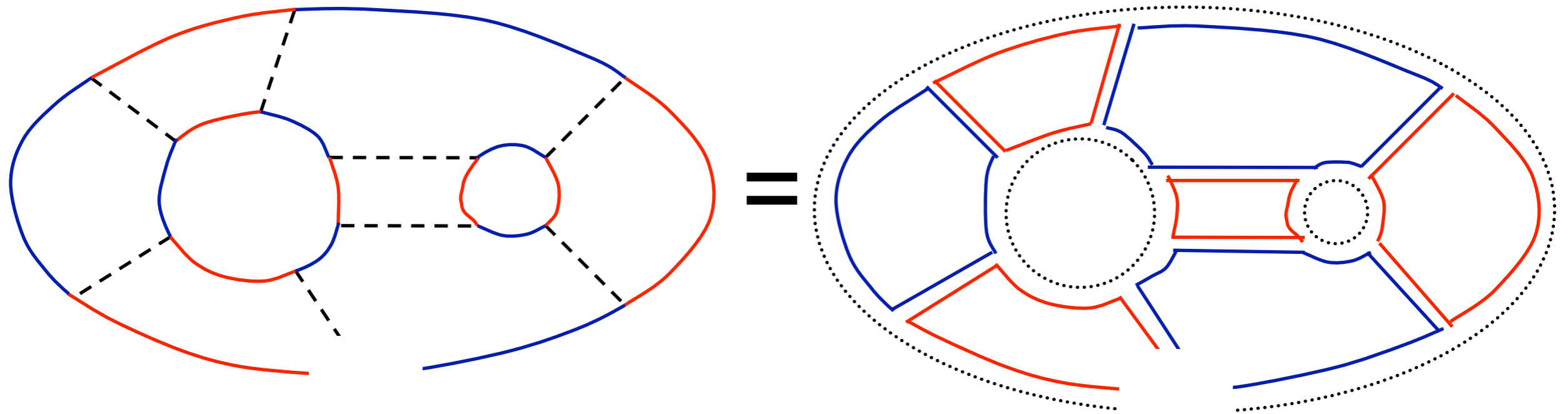
New infra-red singularities as $\zeta \rightarrow 0$ at higher loops
 (Breakdown of Migdal-Eliashberg)



Singularities as $\zeta \rightarrow 0$ appear when fermions in closed blue and red line loops are exactly on the Fermi surface

$$\text{Actual order} \sim \frac{1}{N^0}$$

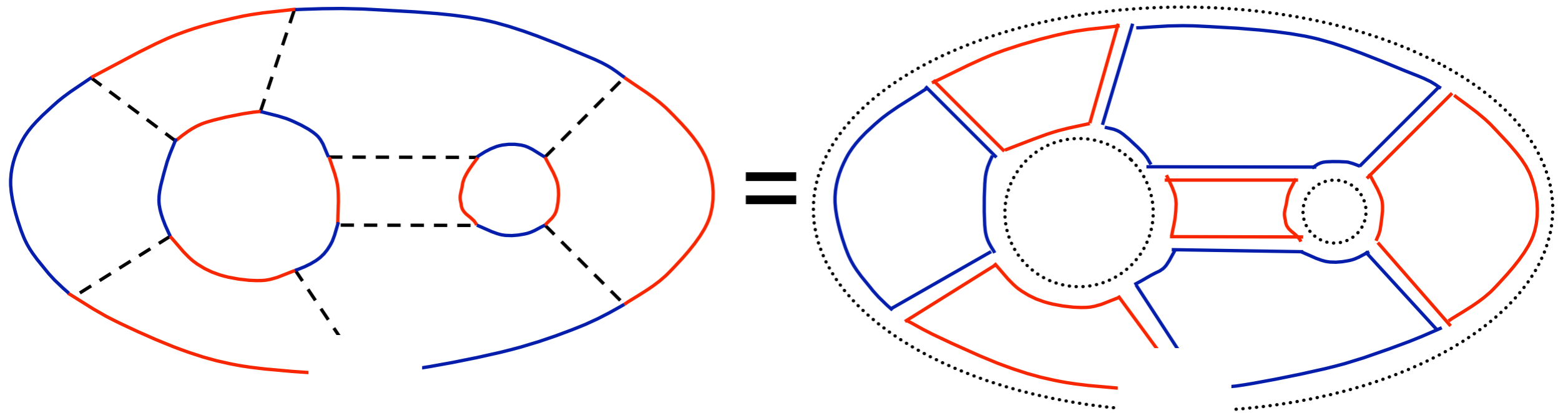
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Graph is **planar** after turning fermion propagators also into double lines
by drawing additional dotted single line loops for each fermion loop

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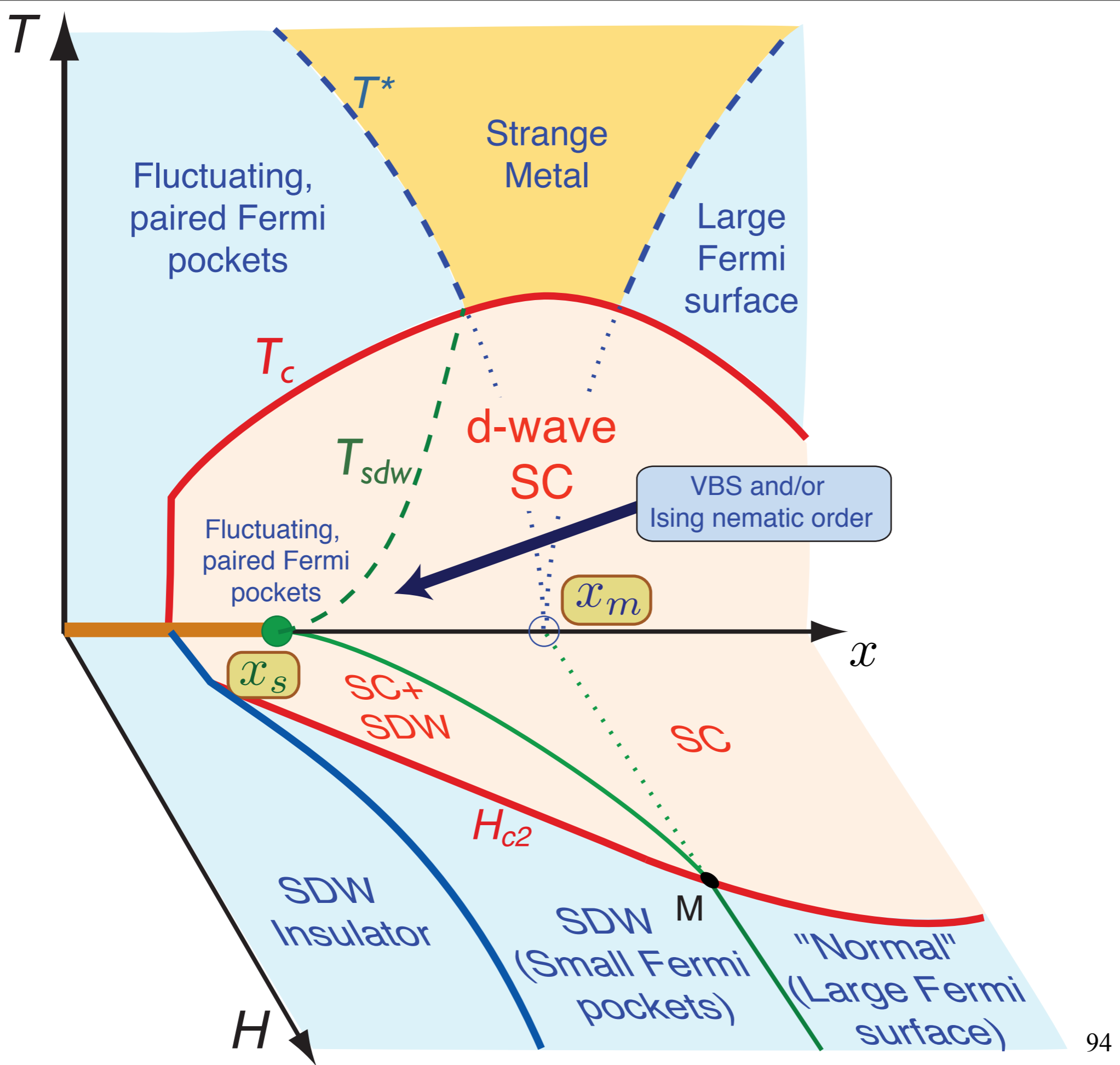


Actual order $\sim \frac{1}{N^0}$



A consistent analysis requires
resummation of all planar graphs





Conclusions

Identified quantum criticality in cuprate superconductors with a critical point at optimal doping associated with onset of spin density wave order in a metal

Elusive optimal doping quantum critical point has been “hiding in plain sight”.

It is shifted to lower doping by the onset of superconductivity