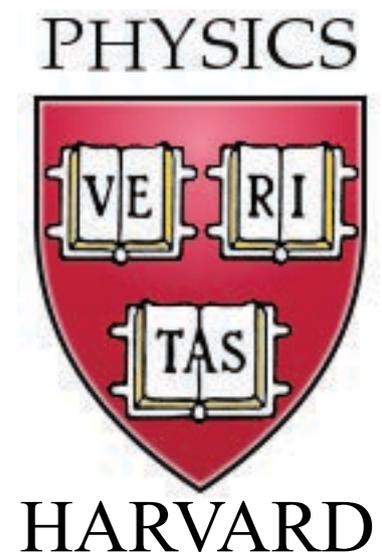


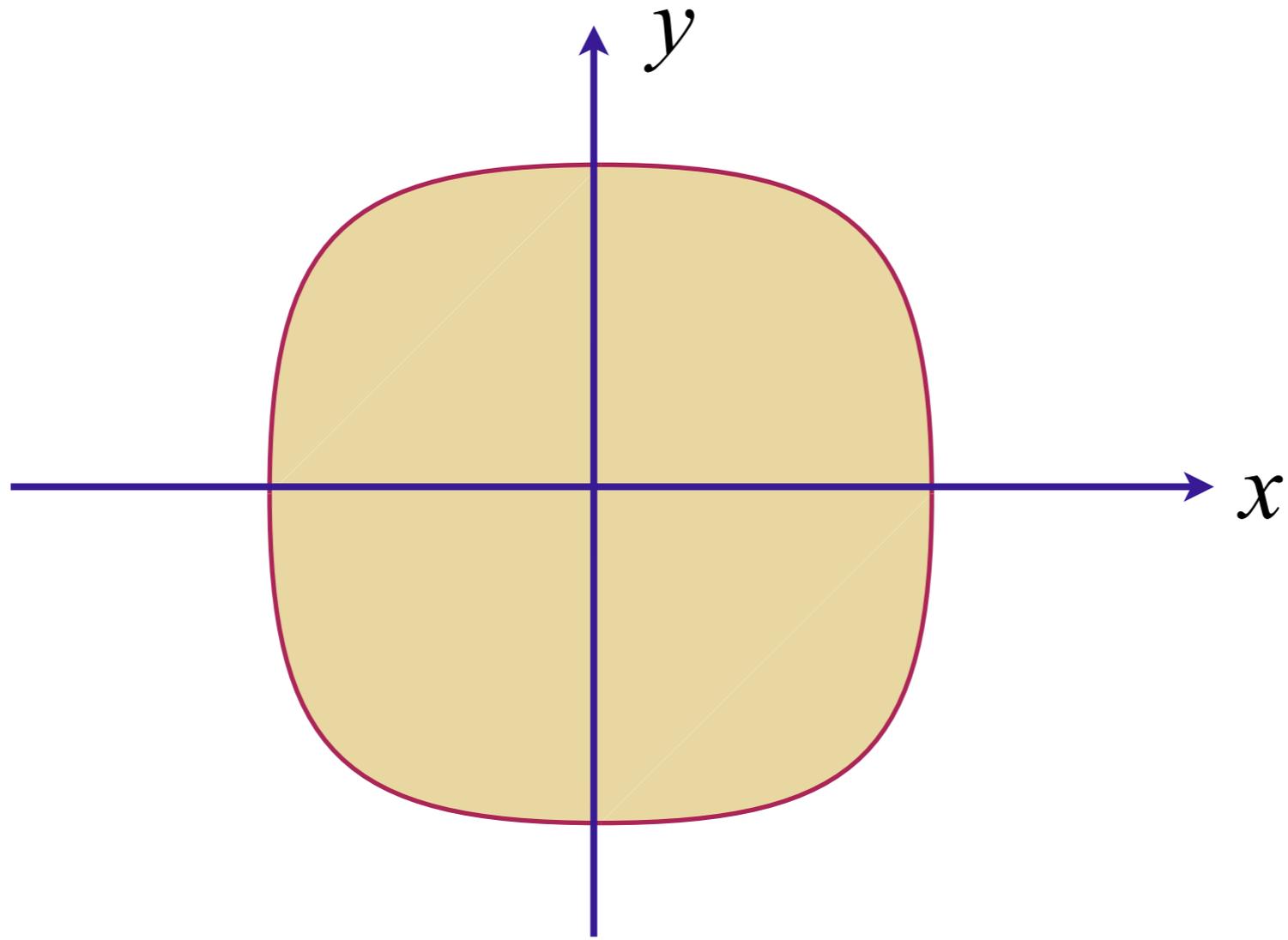
**A non-Fermi liquid:  
Quantum criticality of metals  
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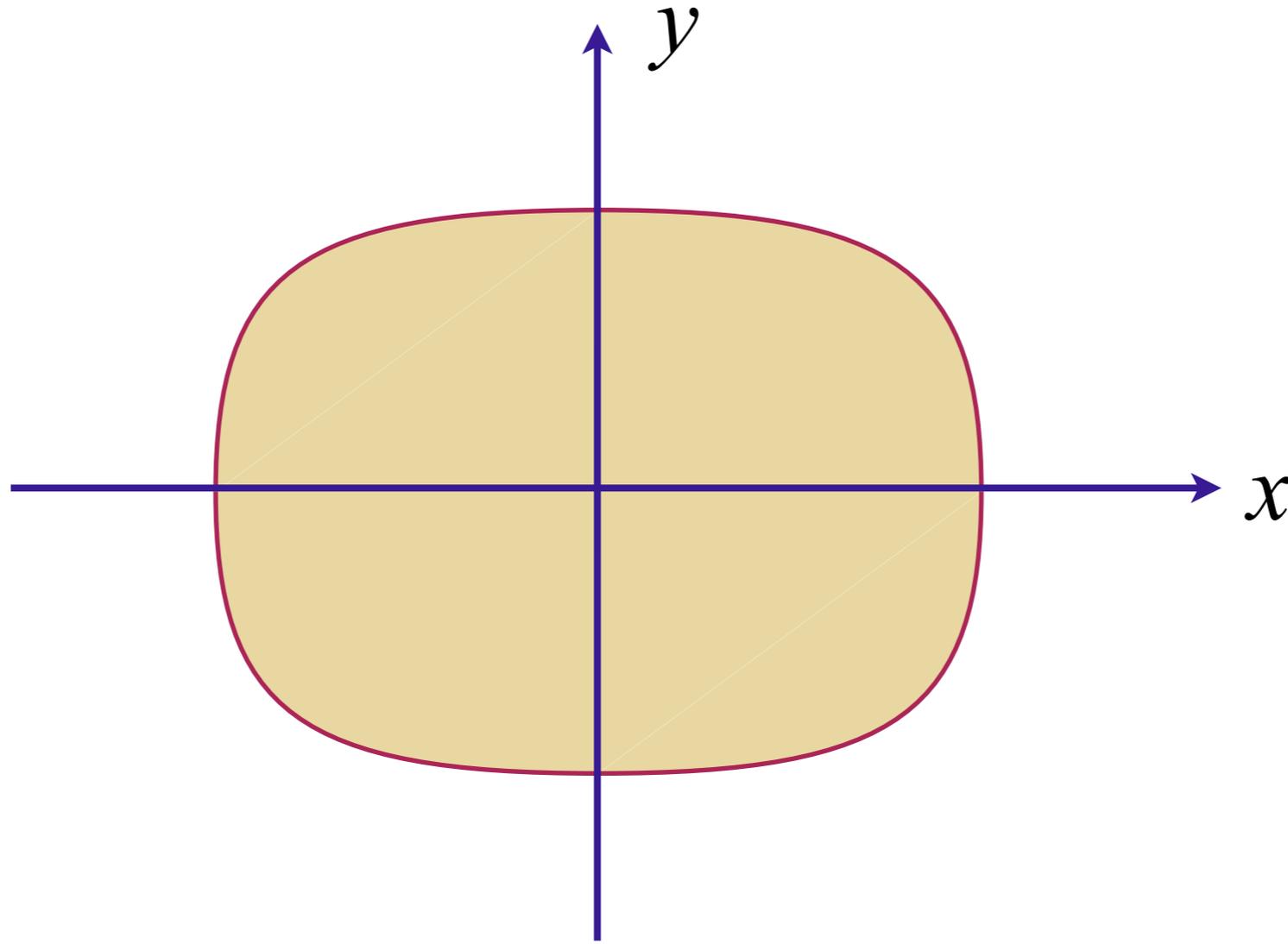


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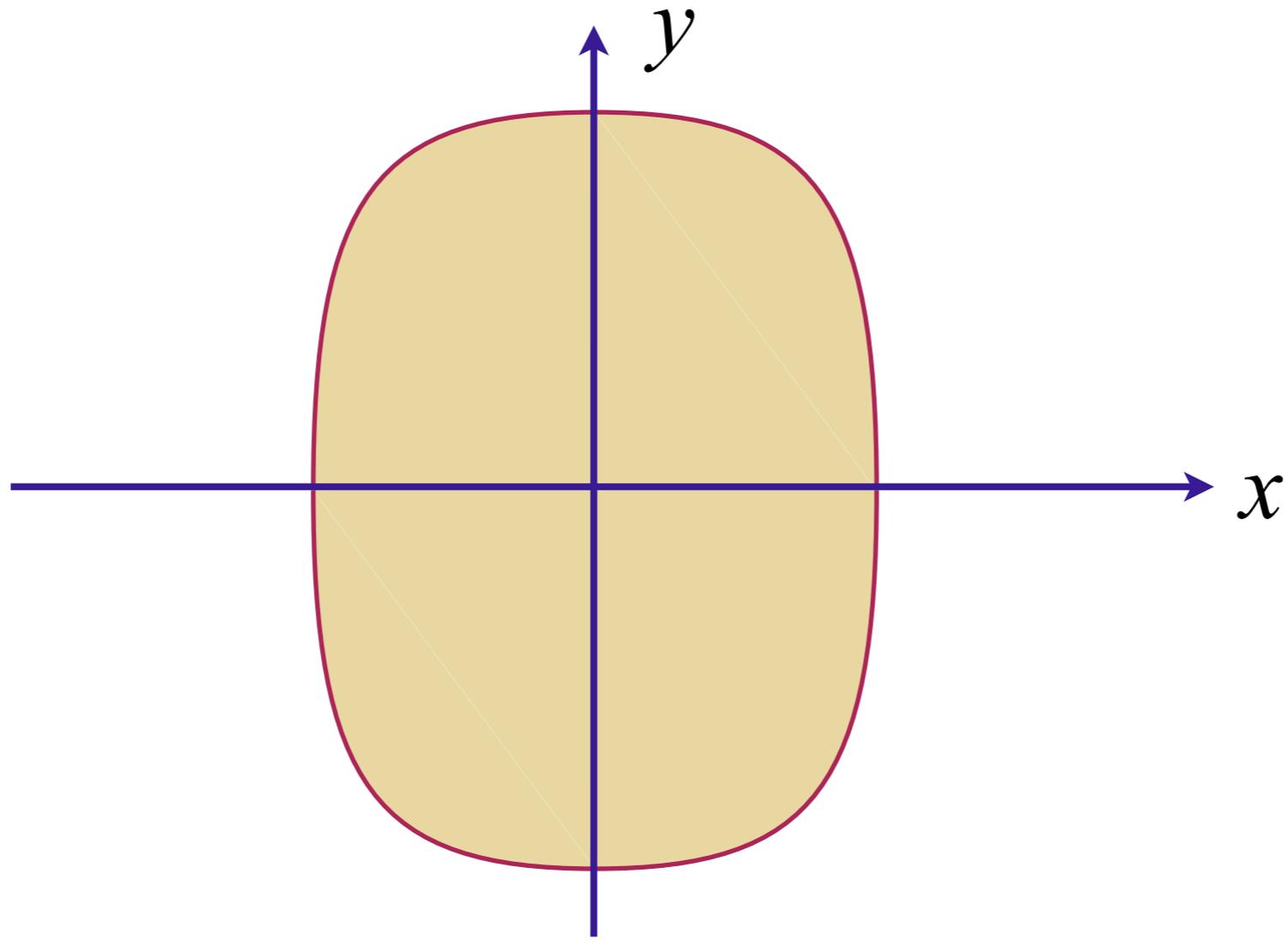
Fermi surface with full square lattice symmetry

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Spontaneous elongation along  $x$  direction:

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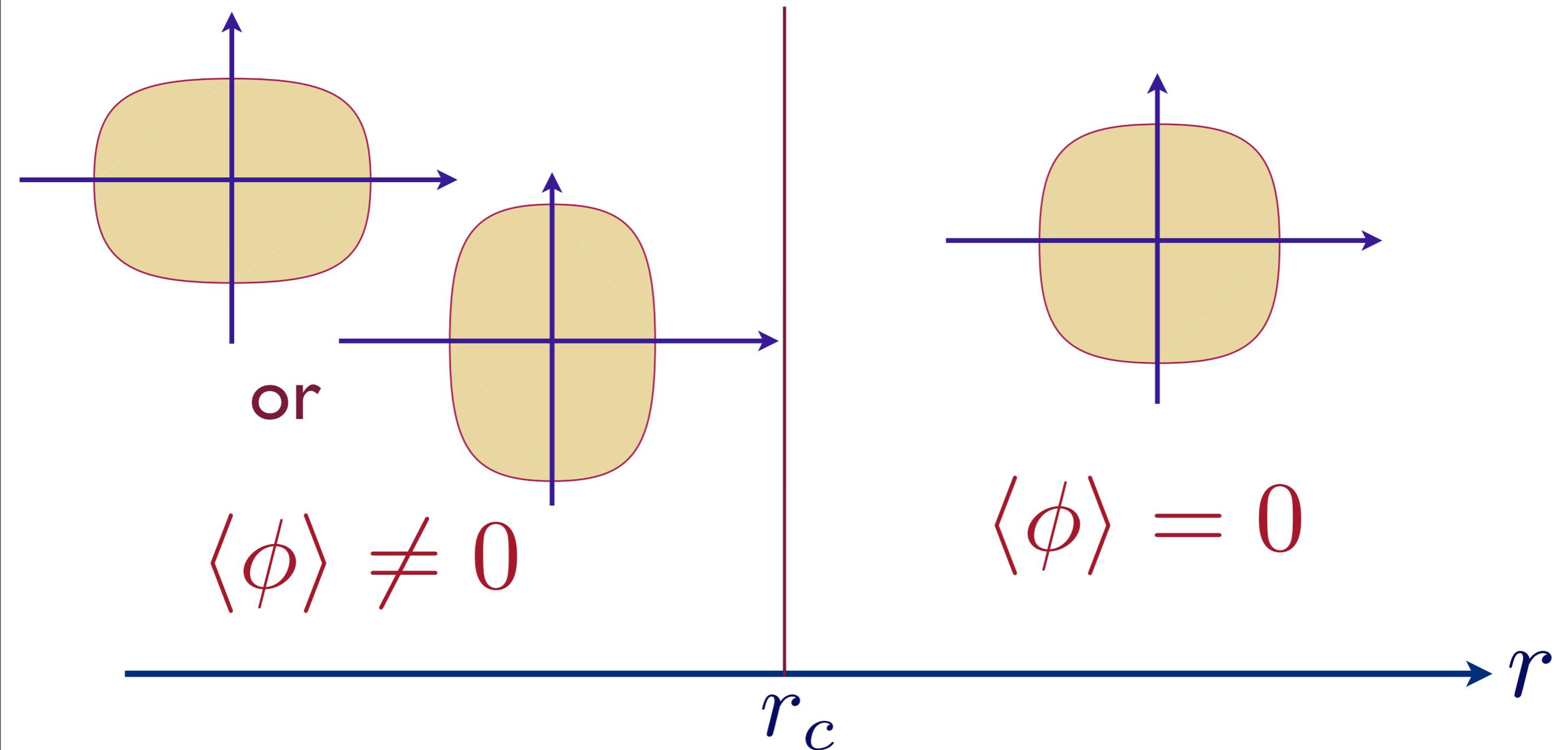
Spontaneous elongation along  $y$  direction:

## Ising-nematic order parameter

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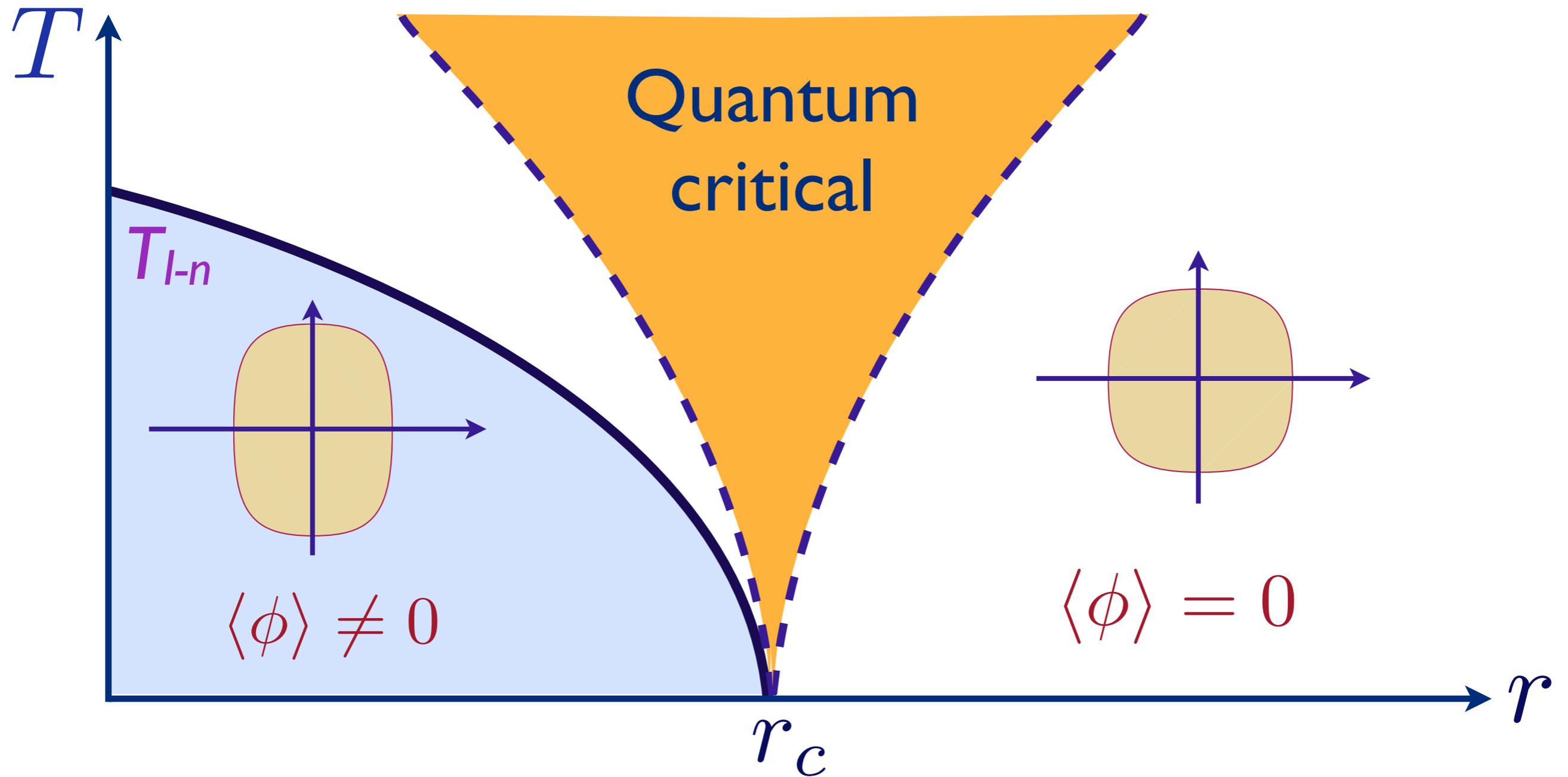
Measures spontaneous breaking of square lattice point-group symmetry of underlying Hamiltonian

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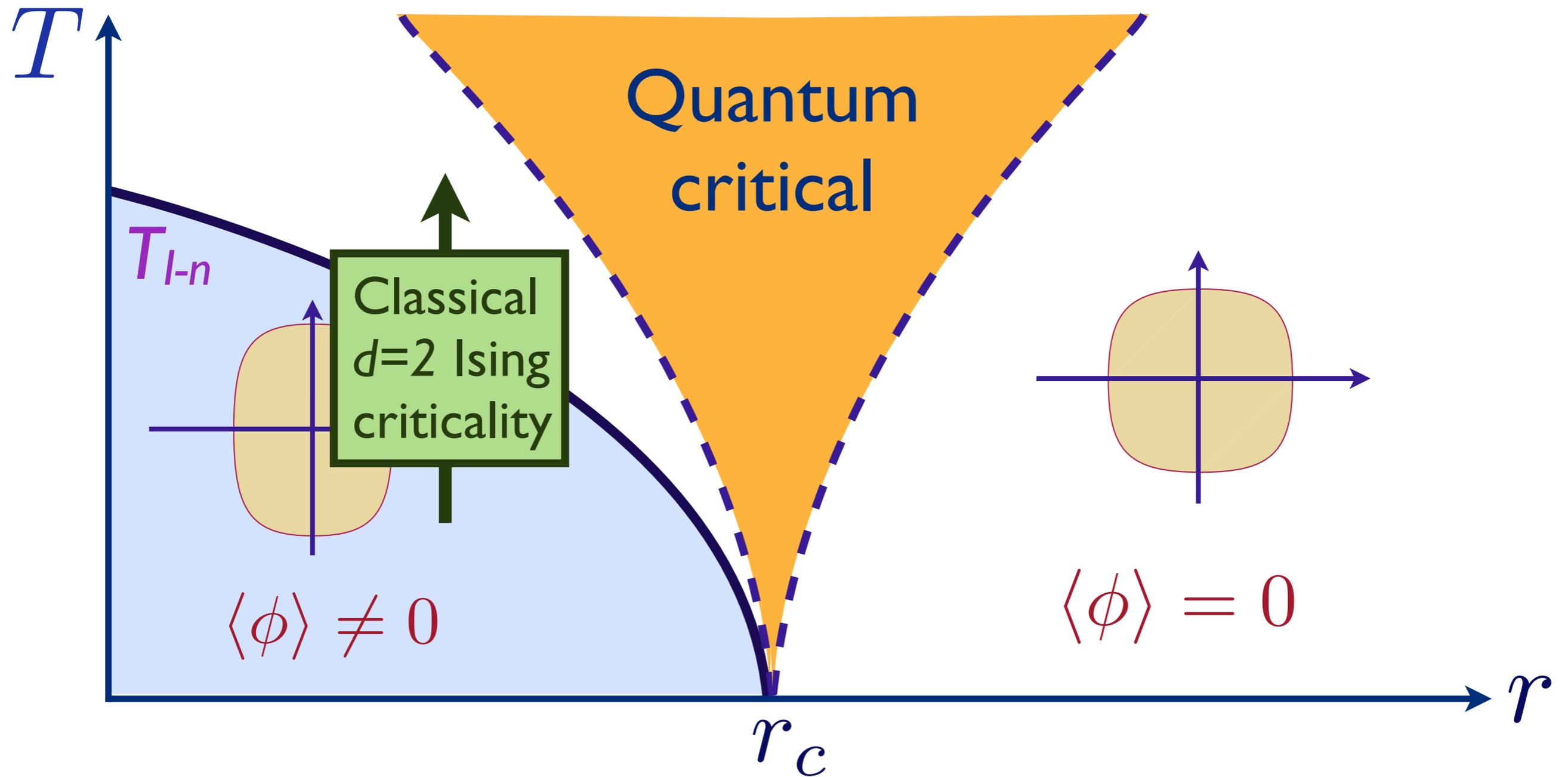
Pomeranchuk instability as a function of coupling  $r$

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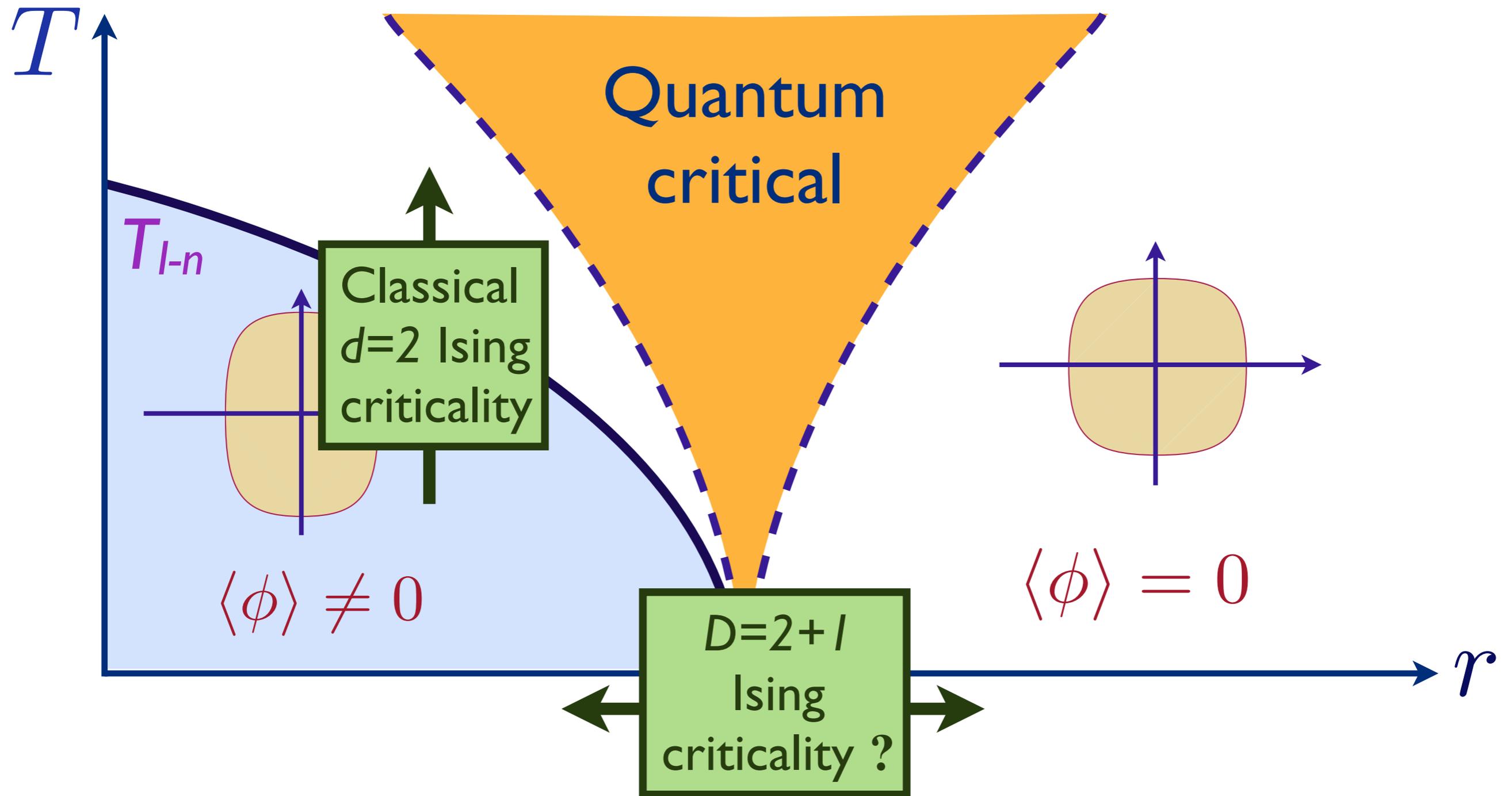
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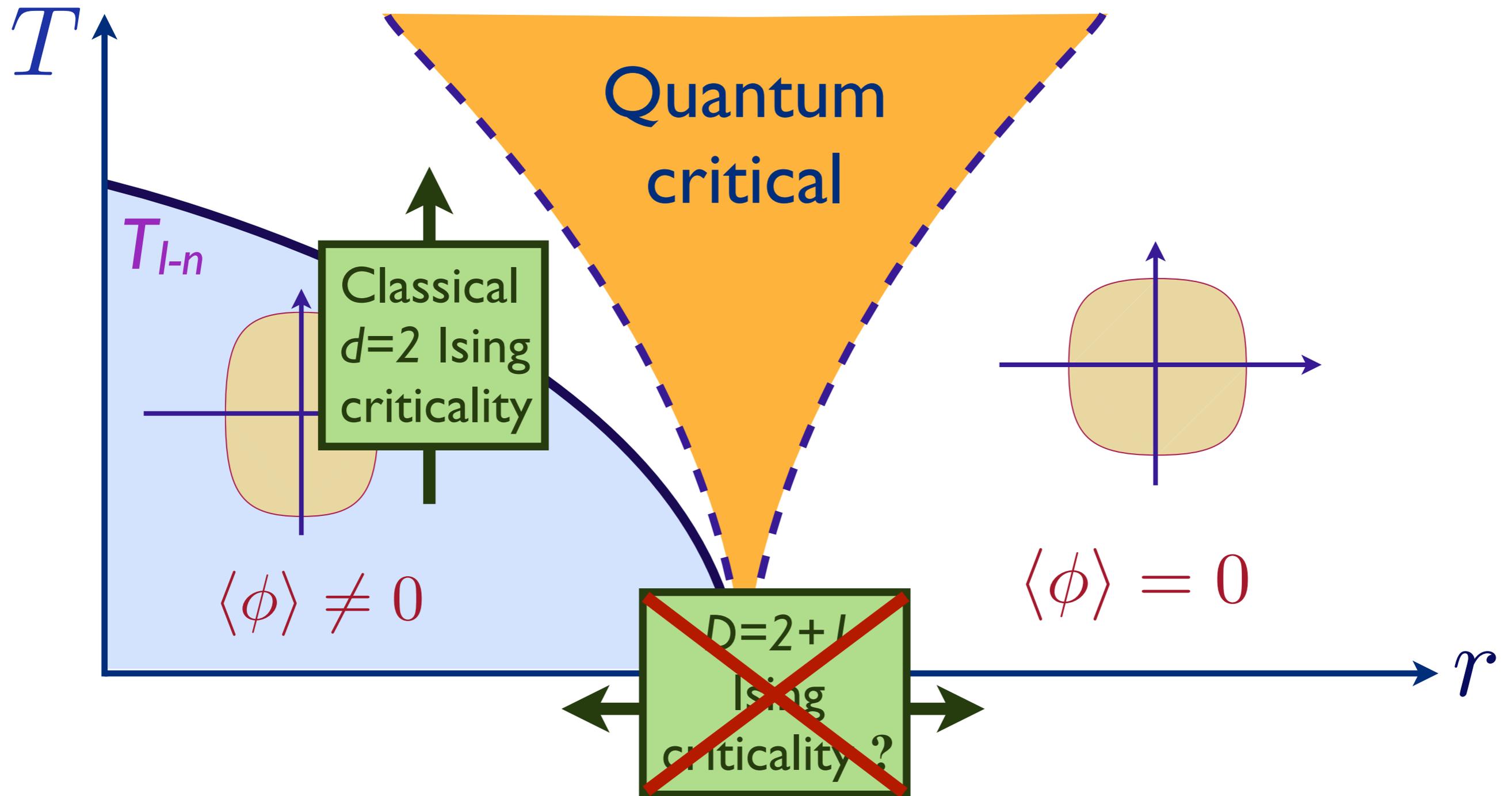
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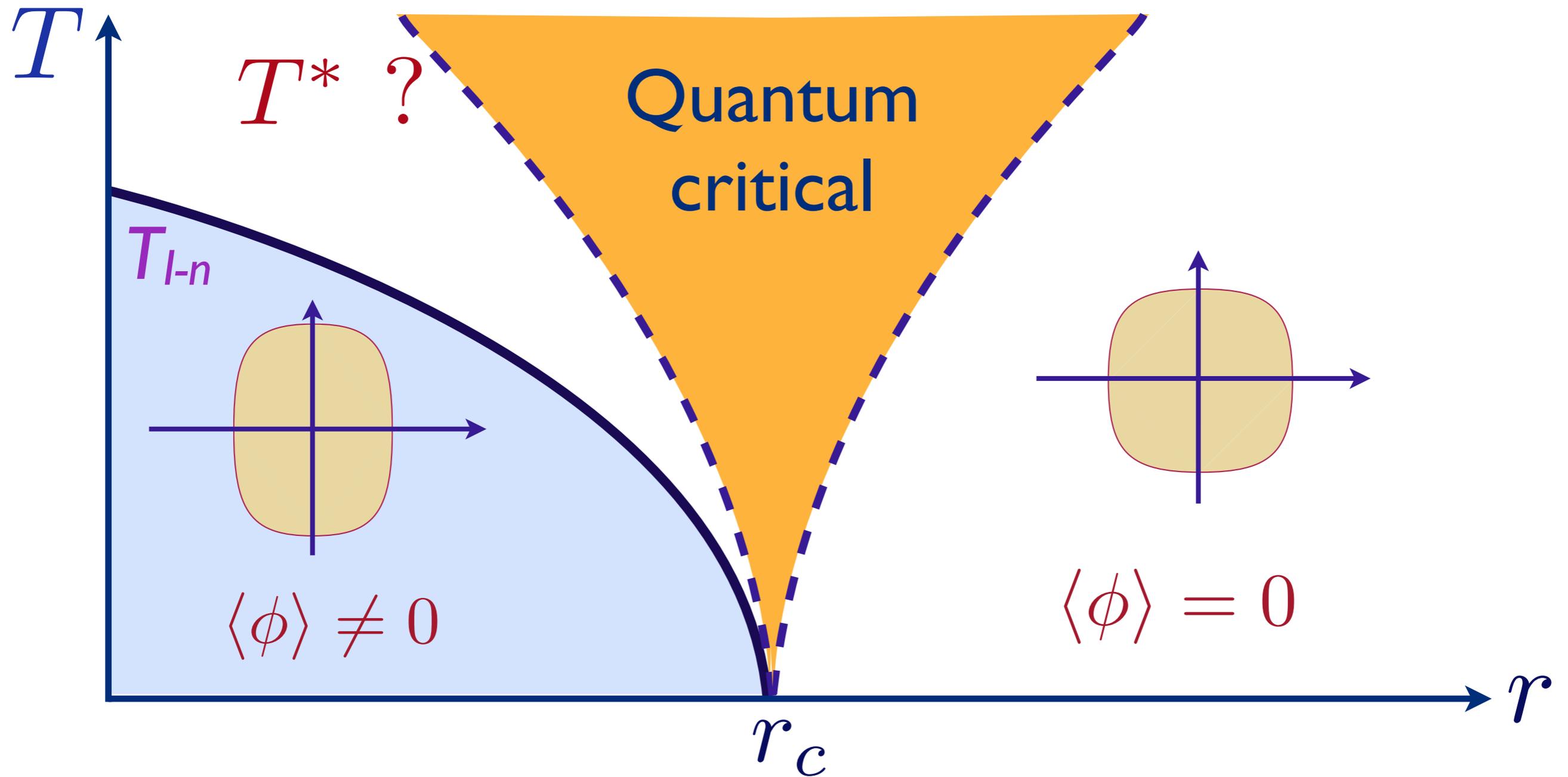
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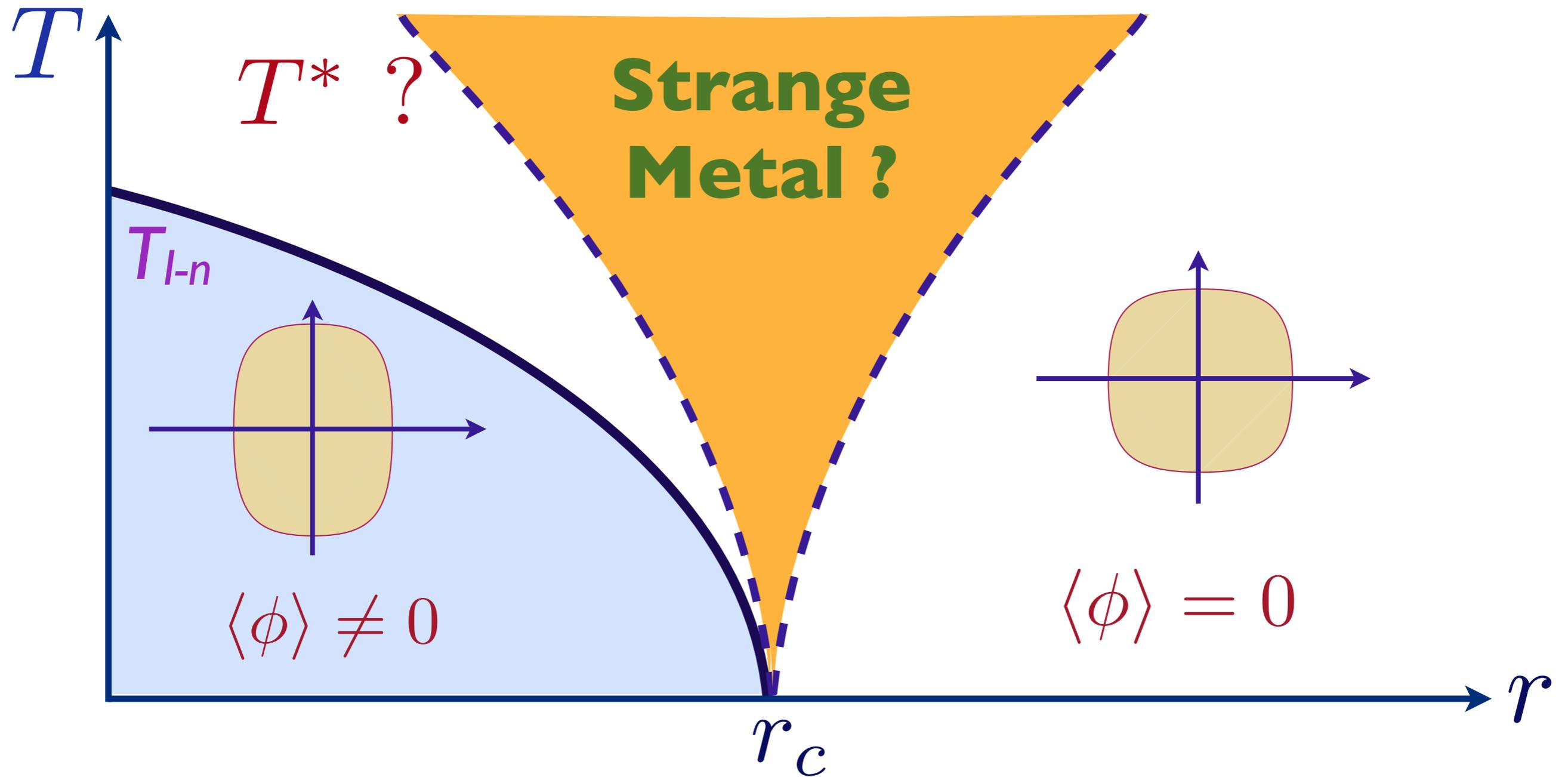
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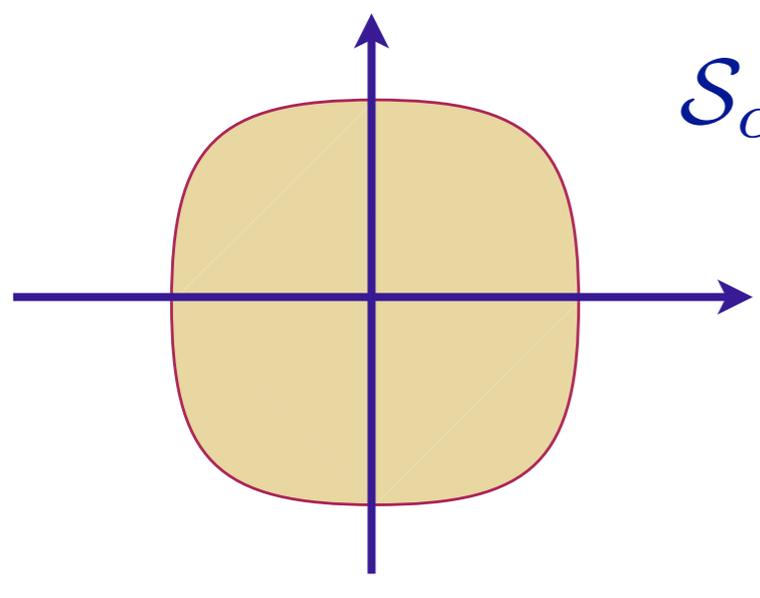
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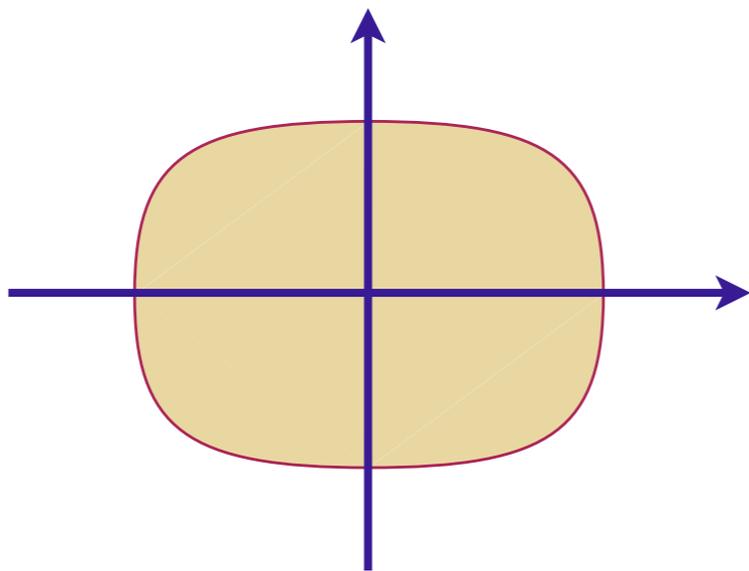

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}_c &= \int d\tau \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_f} \left[ \sum_i c_{i\alpha}^\dagger \partial_\tau c_{i\alpha} - \sum_{i<j} t_{ij} c_{i\alpha}^\dagger c_{j\alpha} \right] \\ &\equiv \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_f} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \int d\tau c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}^\dagger (\partial_\tau + \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}}) c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha} \end{aligned}$$

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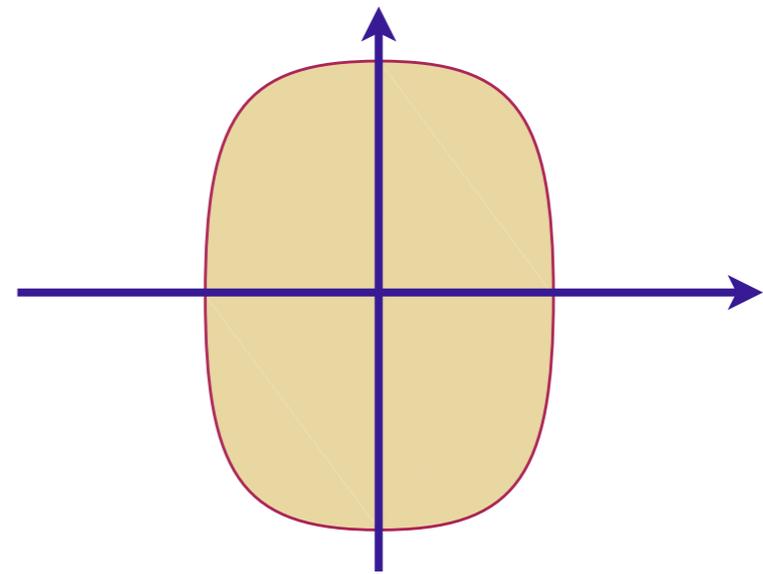
Coupling between Ising order and electrons

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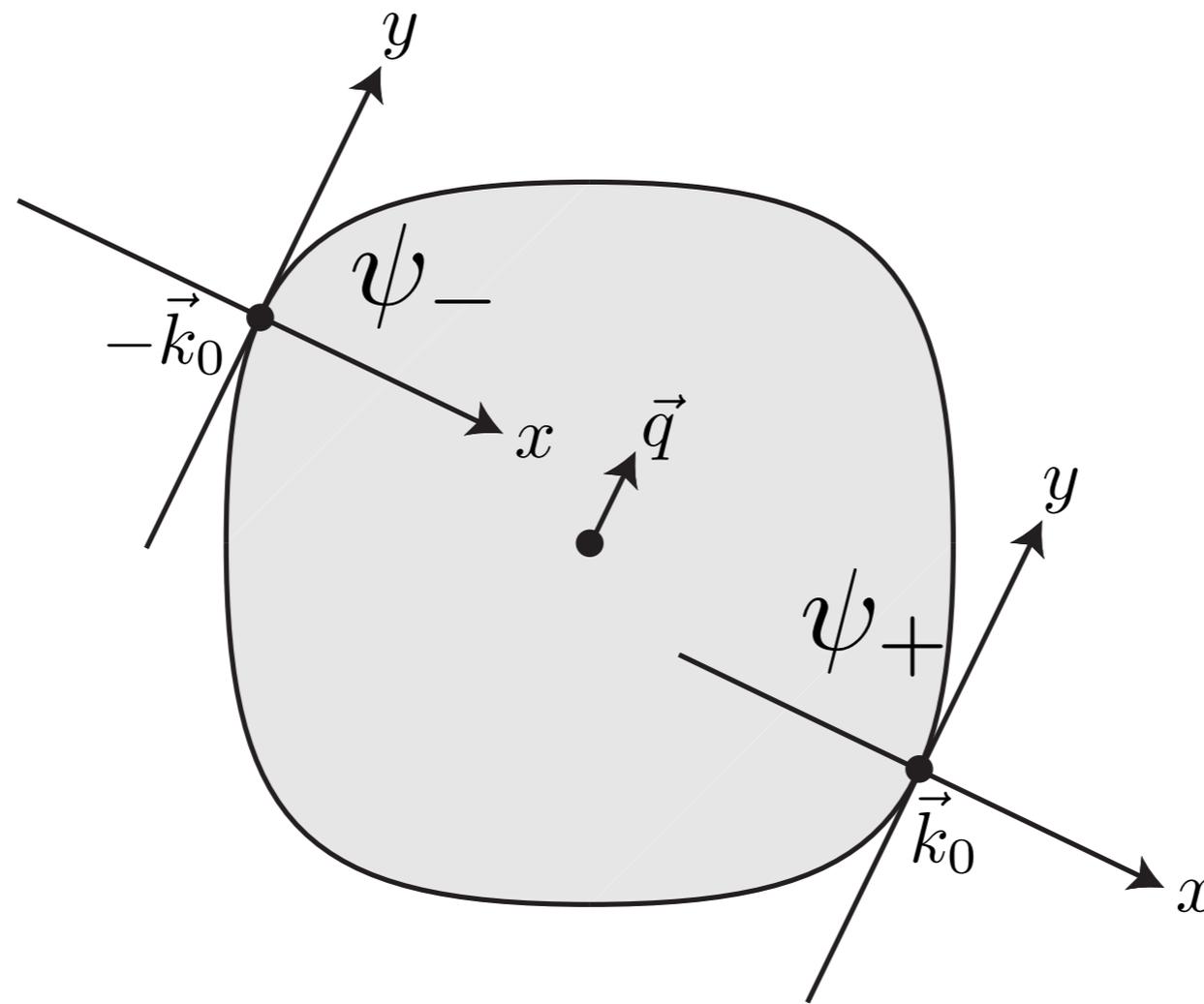
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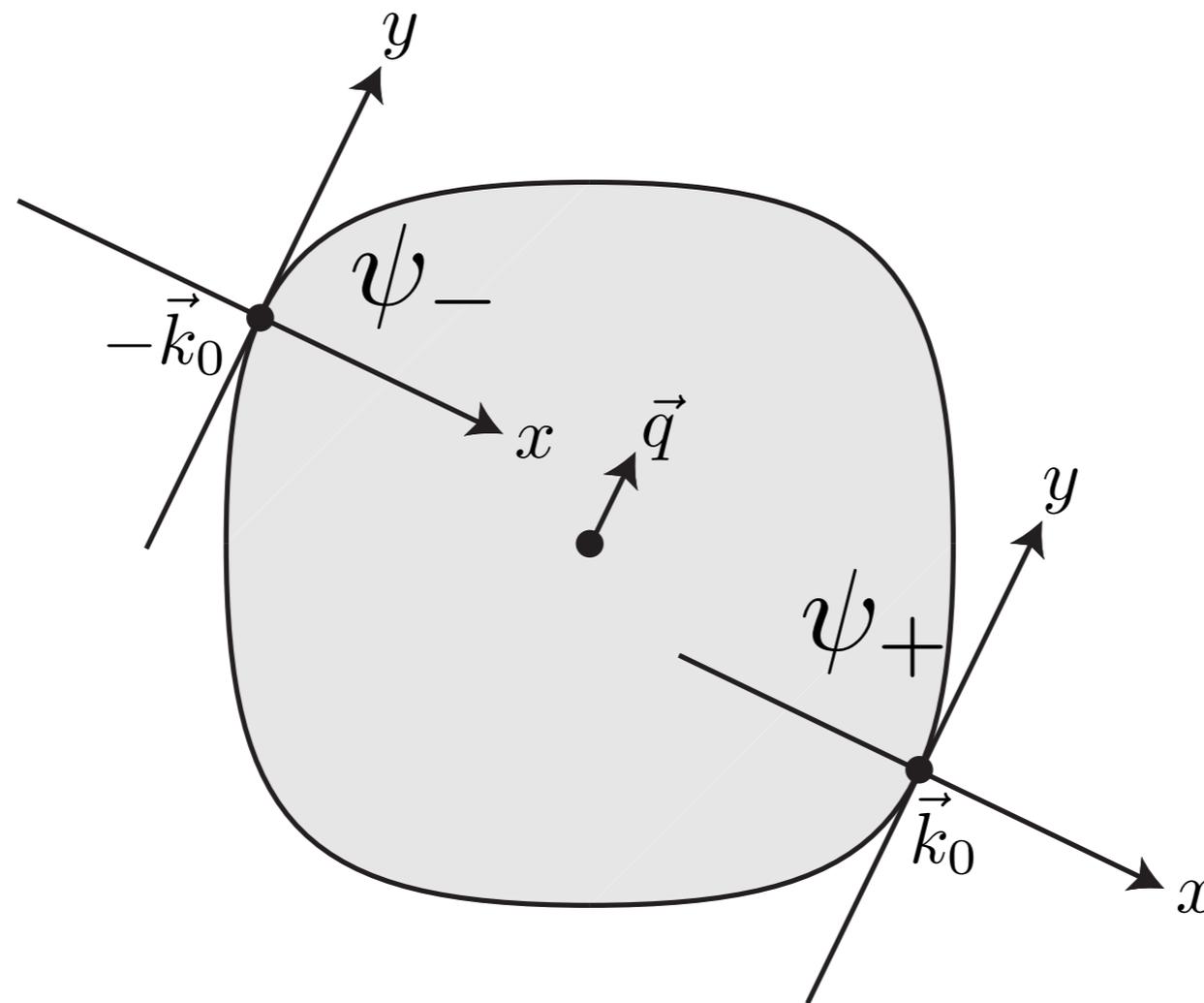
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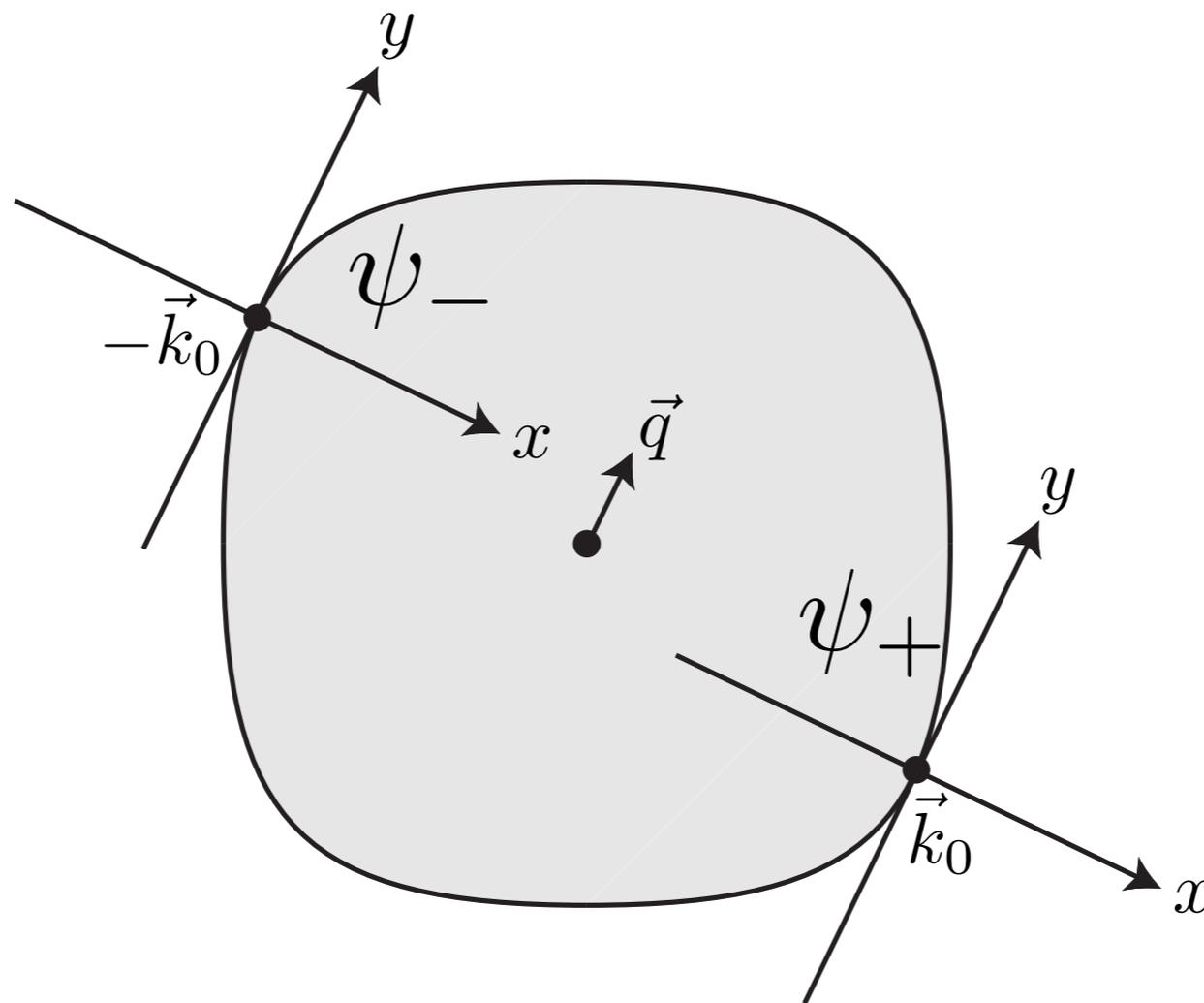
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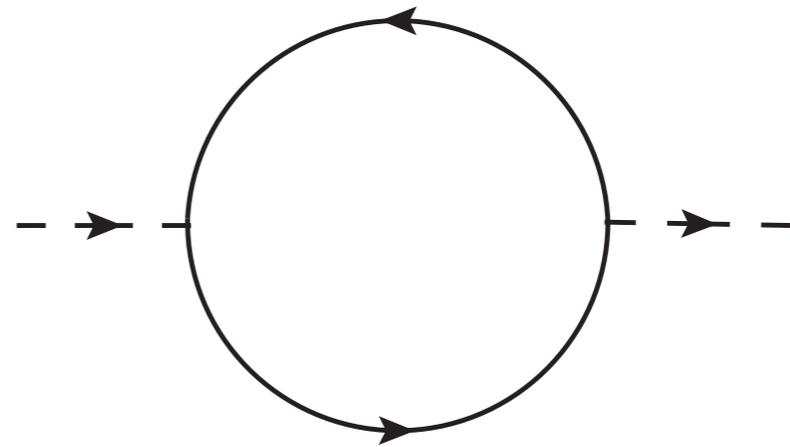
$$\mathcal{L}[\psi_{\pm}, \phi] =$$

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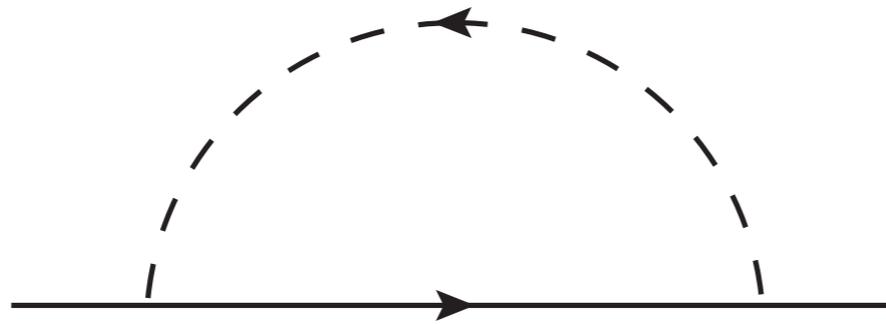
One loop  $\phi$  self-energy with  $N_f$  fermion flavors:

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma_\phi(\vec{q}, \omega) &= N_f \int \frac{d^2 k}{4\pi^2} \frac{d\Omega}{2\pi} \frac{1}{[-i(\Omega + \omega) + k_x + q_x + (k_y + q_y)^2] [-i\Omega - k_x + k_y^2]} \\ &= \frac{N_f}{4\pi} \frac{|\omega|}{|q_y|} \end{aligned}$$

**Landau-damping**

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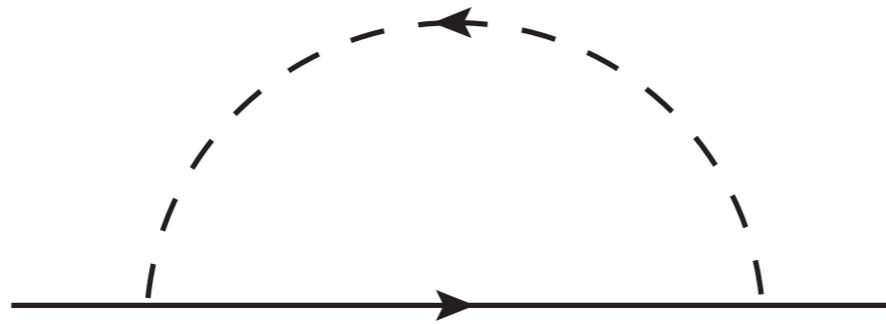


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In the boson case,  $q_\perp^2 \sim \omega^{1/z_b}$  with  $z_b = 3/2$ .

In the fermion case,  $q_x \sim q_\perp^2 \sim \omega^{1/z_f}$  with  $z_f = 3/d$ .

Note  $z_f < z_b$  for  $d > 2 \Rightarrow$  Fermions have *higher* energy than bosons, and perturbation theory in  $g$  is OK.

Strongly-coupled theory in  $d = 2$ .

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In *both* cases  $q_x \sim q_y^2 \sim \omega^{1/z}$ , with  $z = 3/2$ . Note that the bare term  $\sim \omega$  in  $G_f^{-1}$  is irrelevant.

Strongly-coupled theory without quasiparticles.

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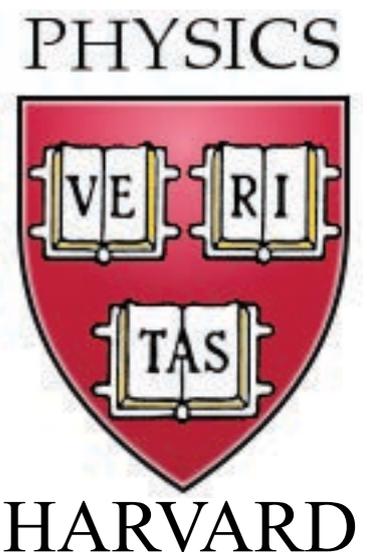
$$g \rightarrow g s^{(3-2z)/4}$$

So the action is invariant provided  $z = 3/2$ .

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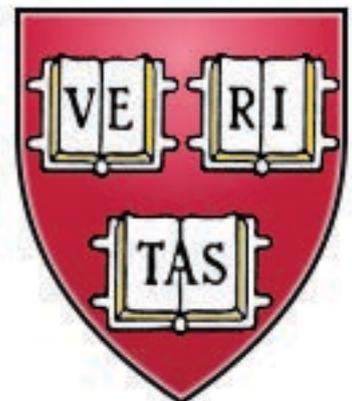


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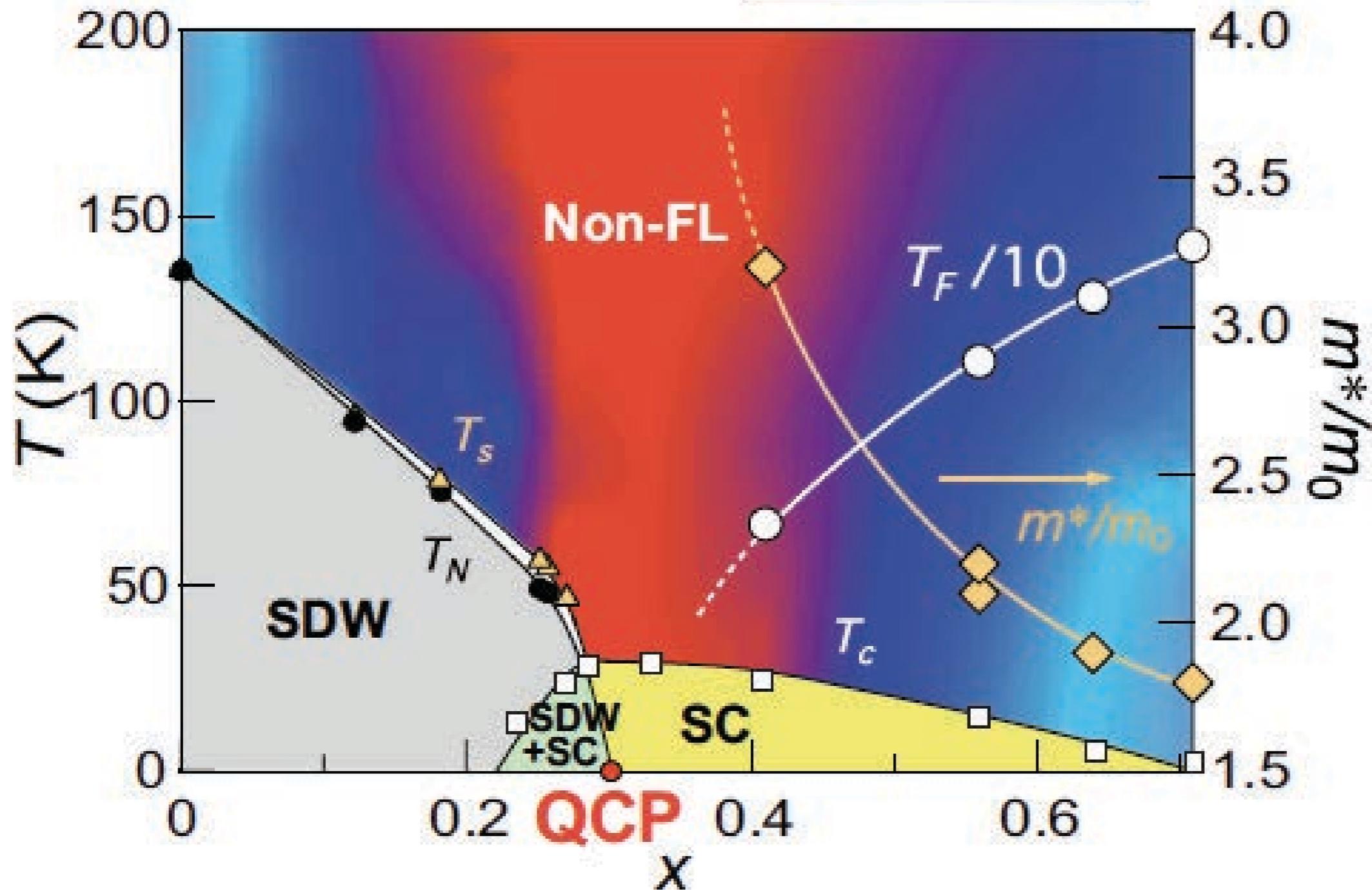
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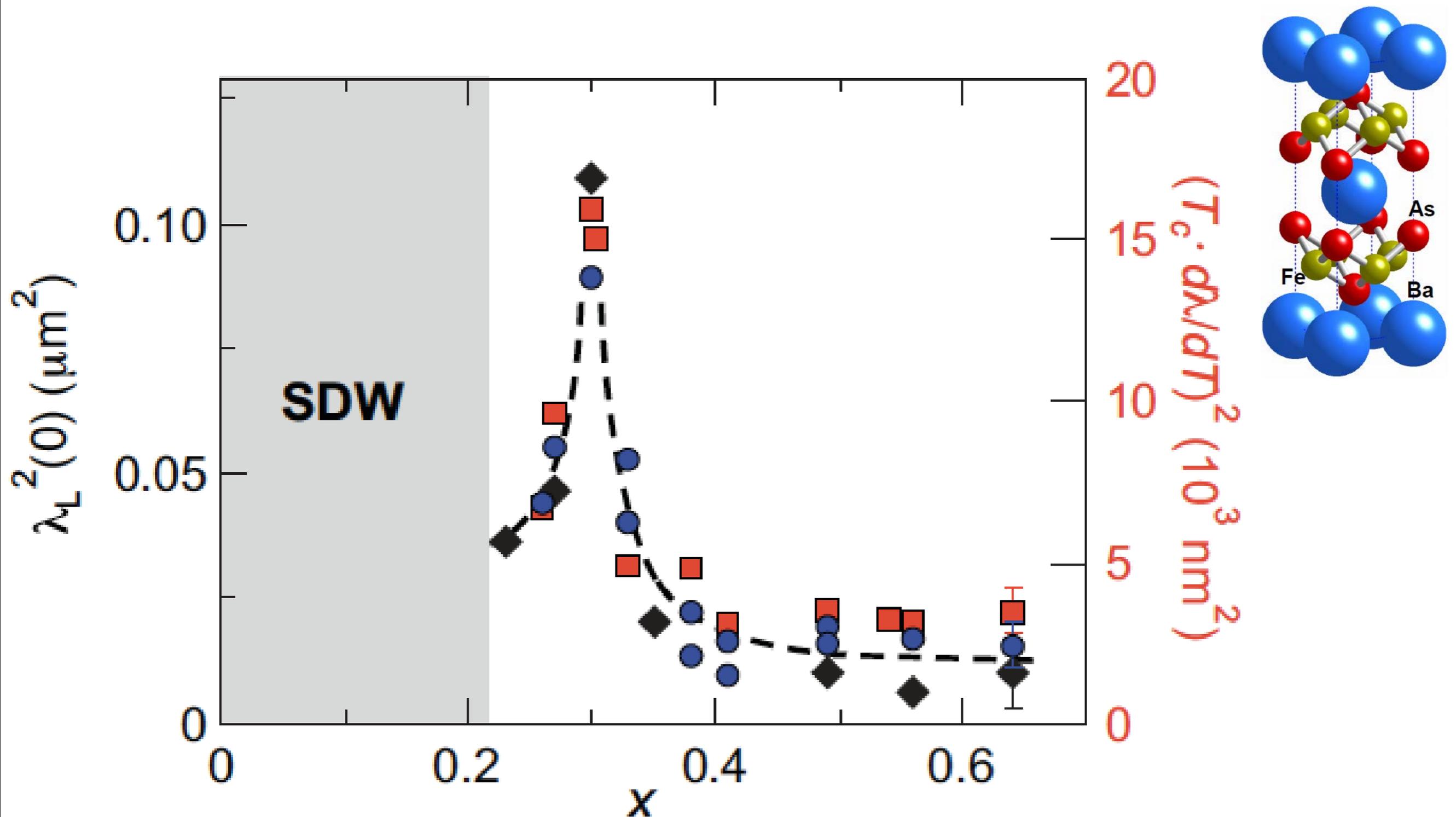


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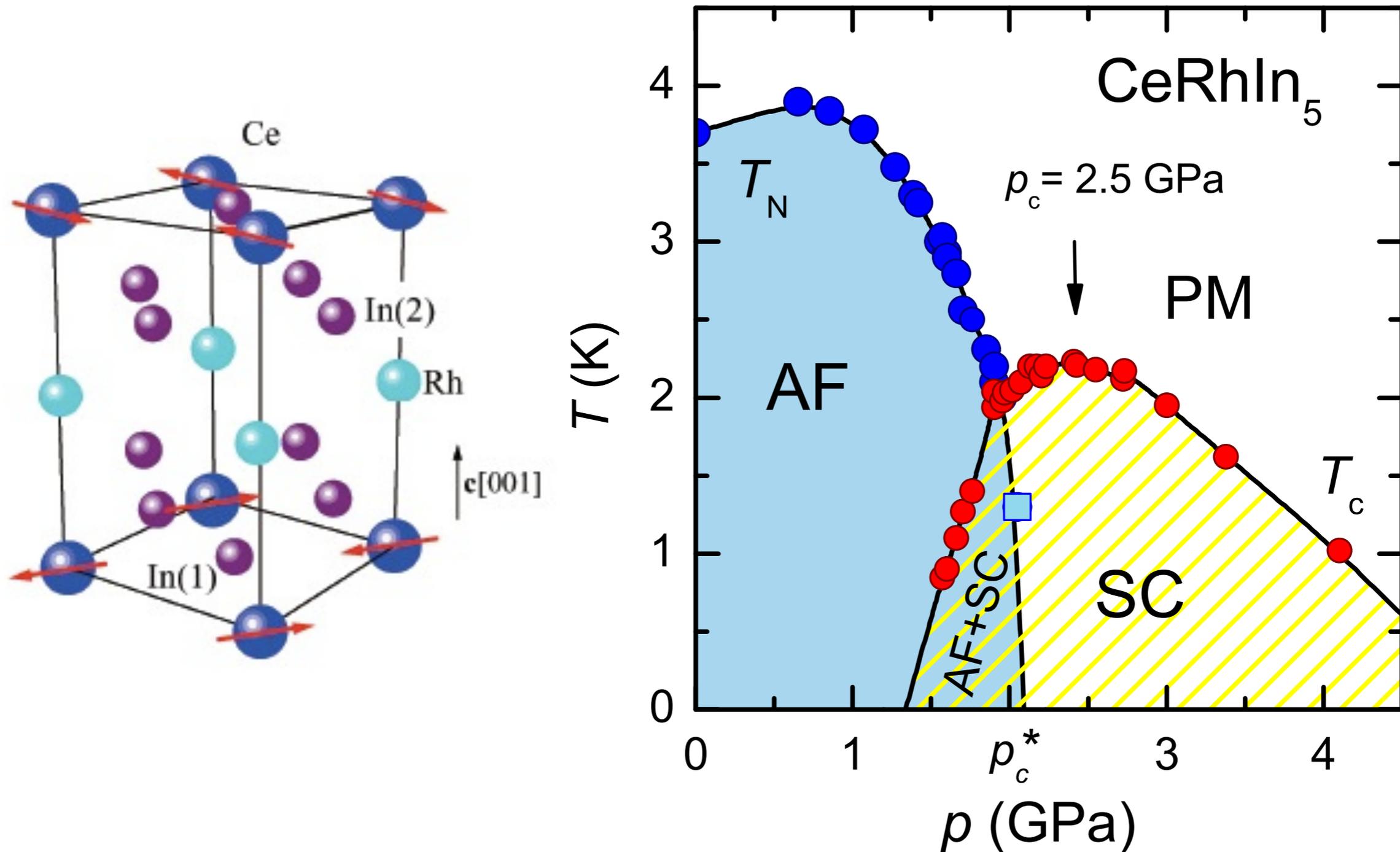


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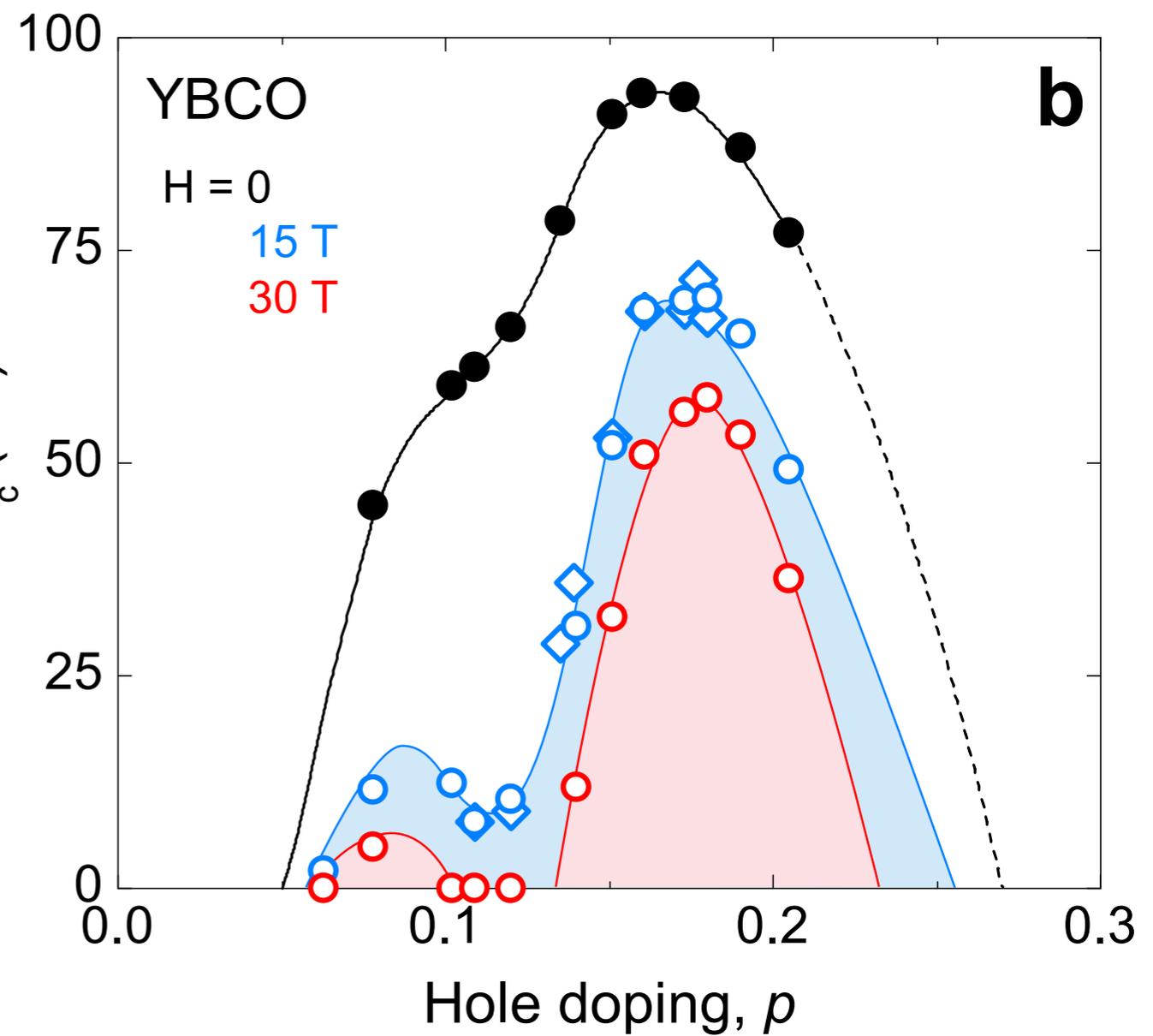
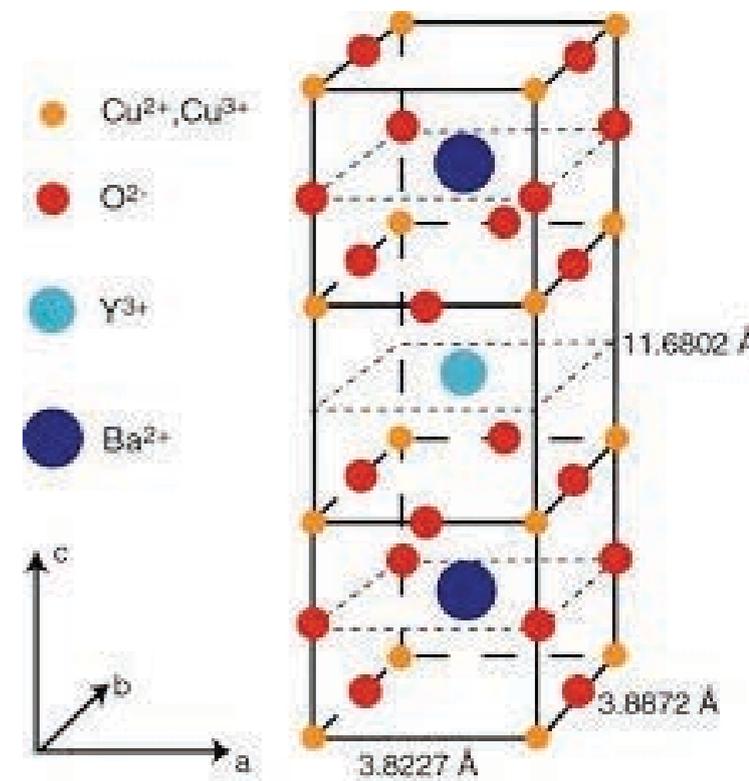
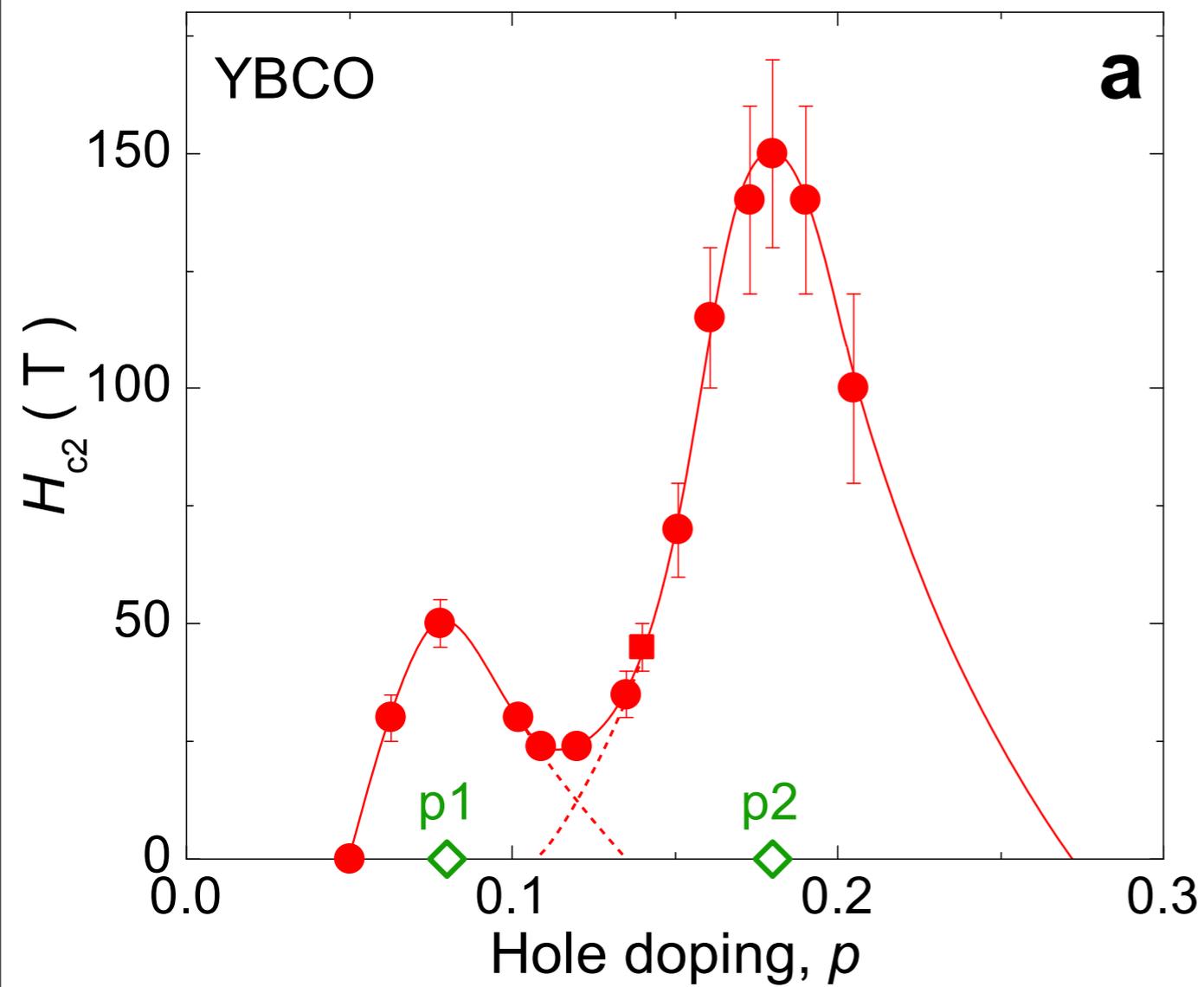
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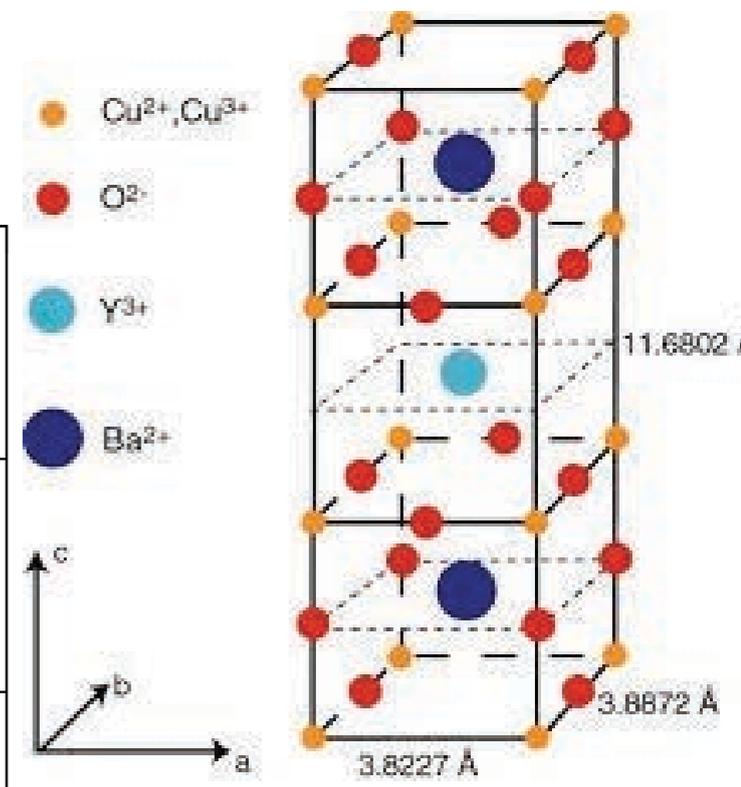
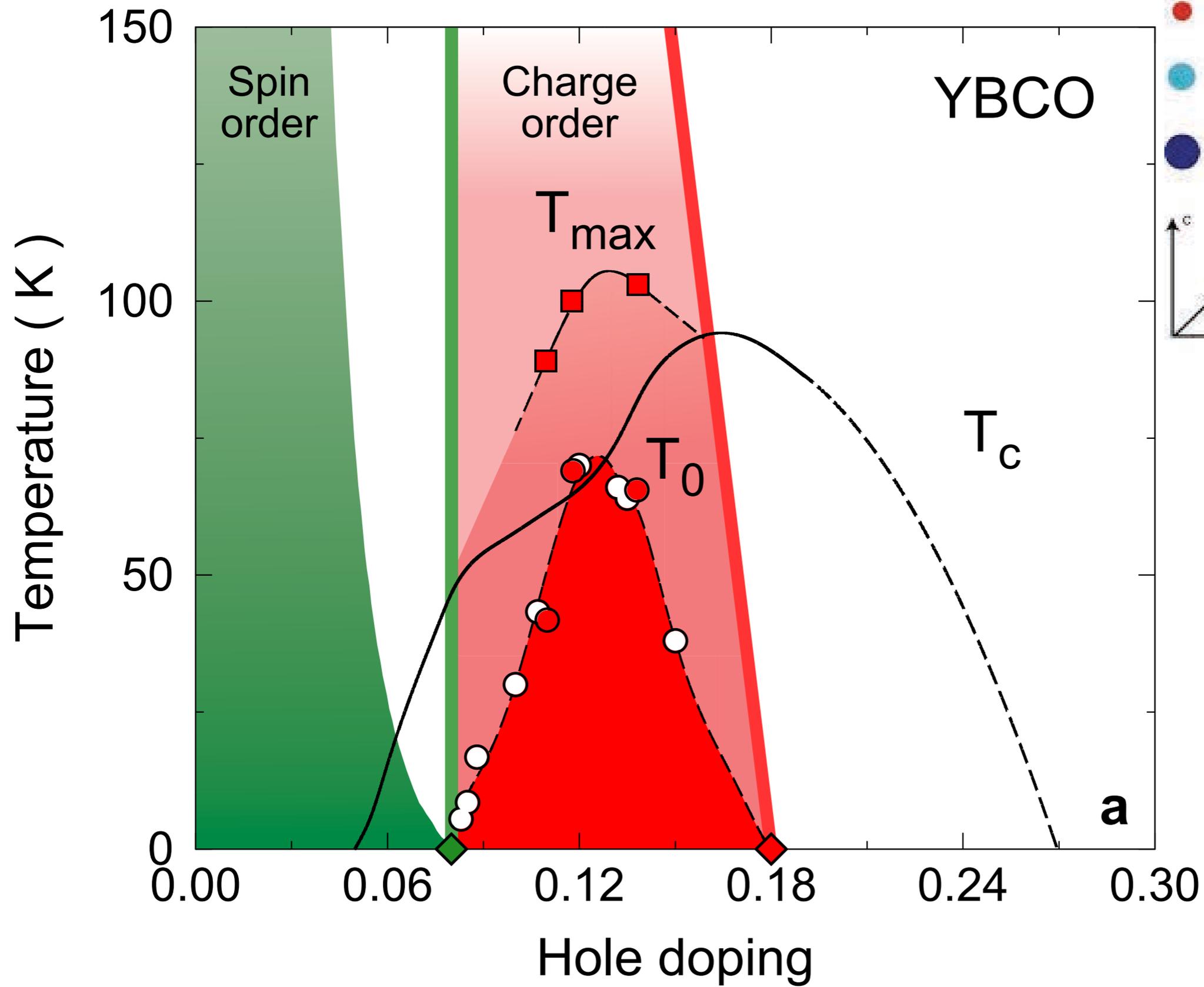
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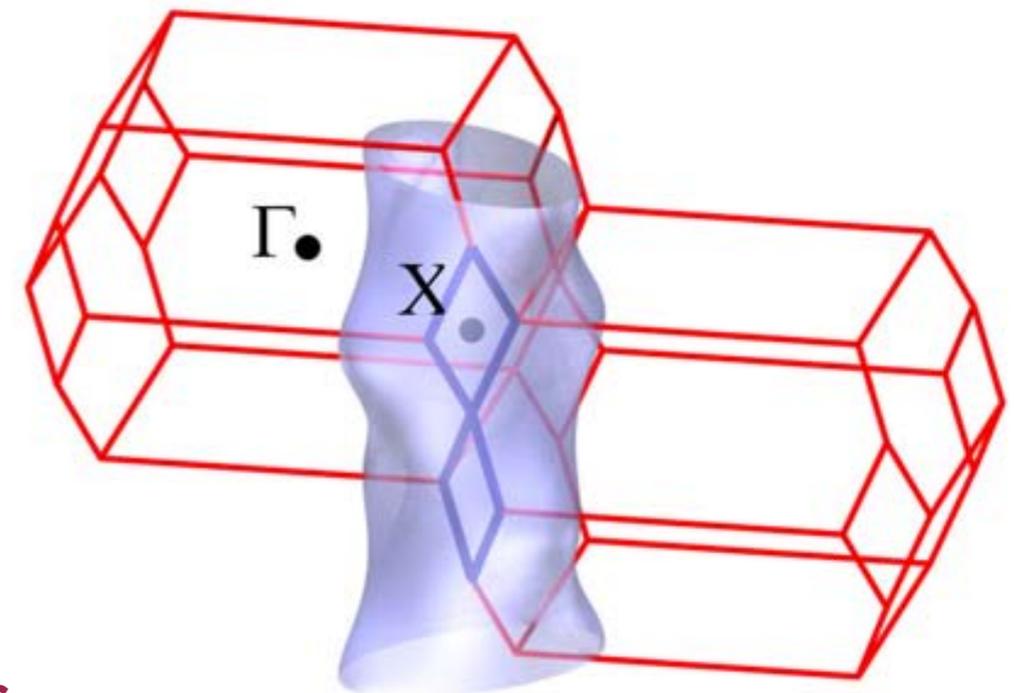
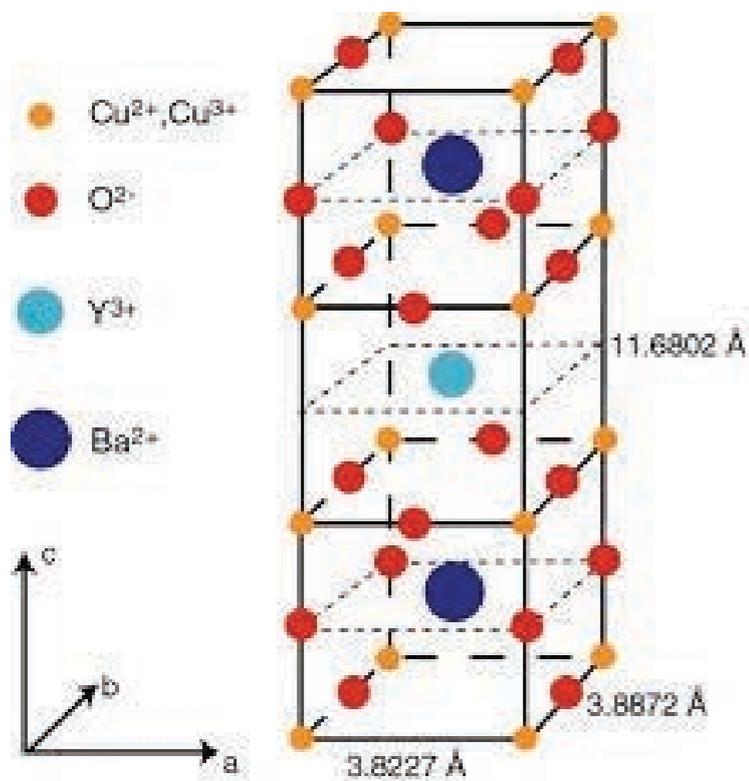
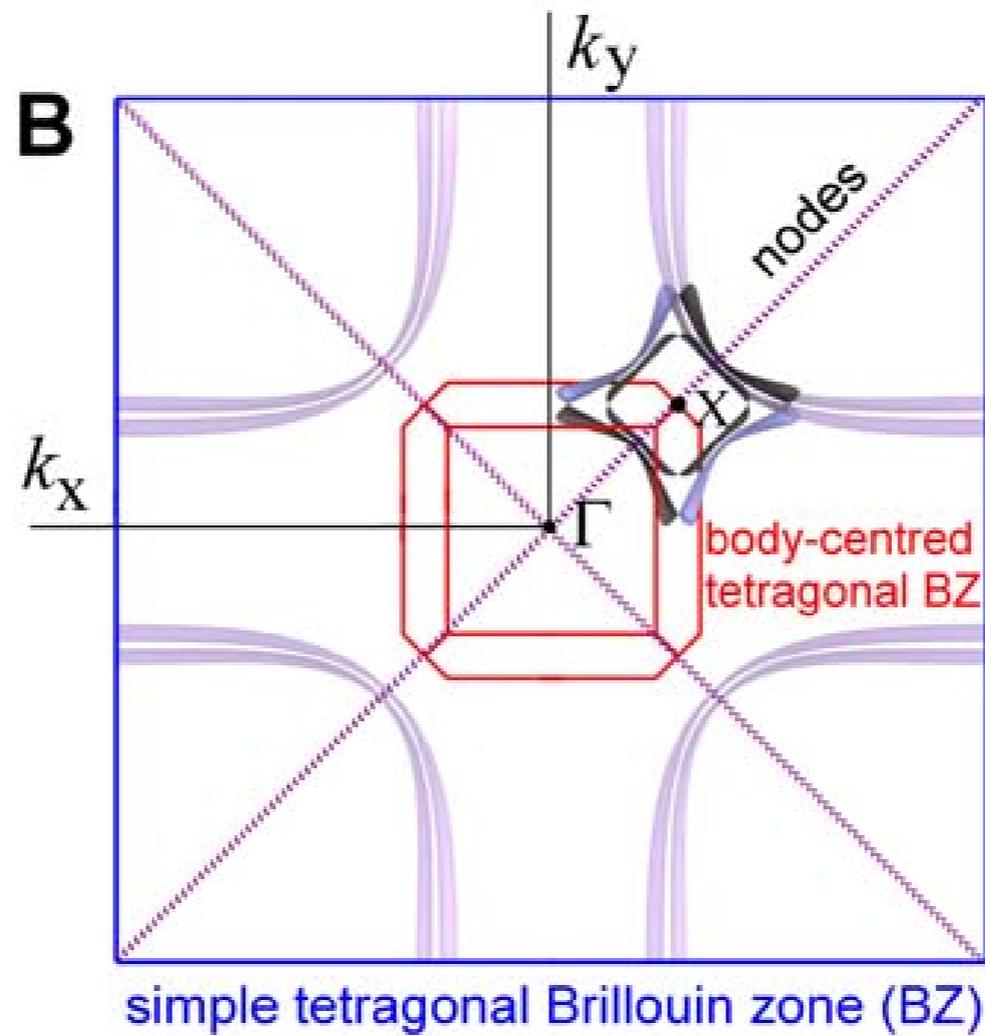
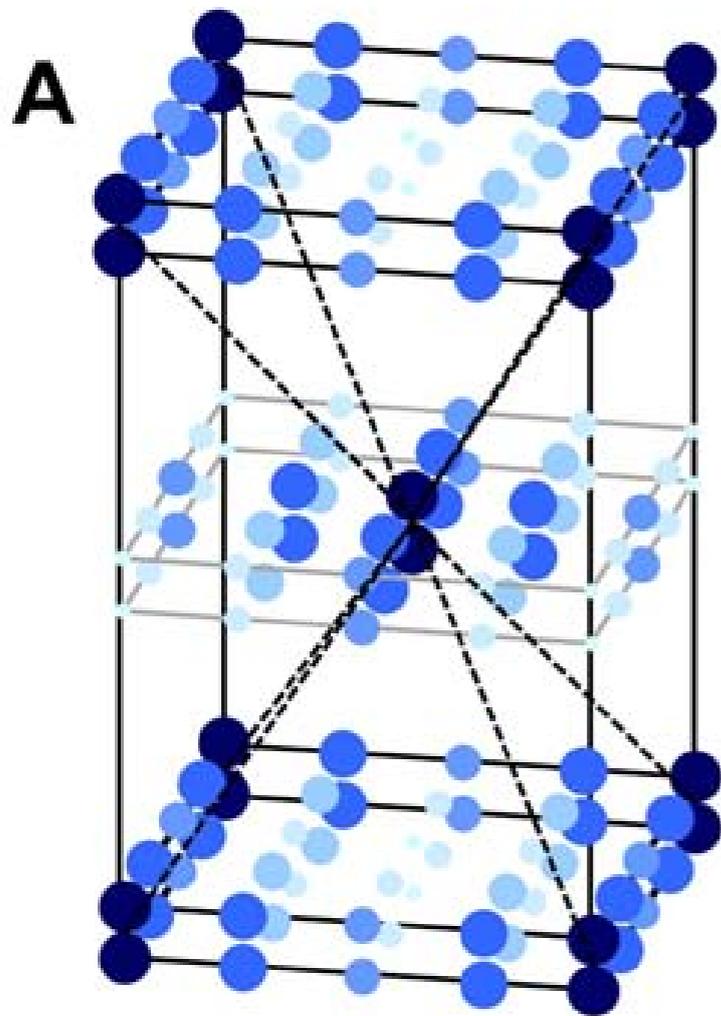


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$$H = - \sum_{i < j} t_{ij} c_{i\alpha}^\dagger c_{j\alpha} + U \sum_i \left( n_{i\uparrow} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( n_{i\downarrow} - \frac{1}{2} \right) - \mu \sum_i c_{i\alpha}^\dagger c_{i\alpha}$$

$t_{ij} \rightarrow$  “hopping”.  $U \rightarrow$  local repulsion,  $\mu \rightarrow$  chemical potential

Spin index  $\alpha = \uparrow, \downarrow$

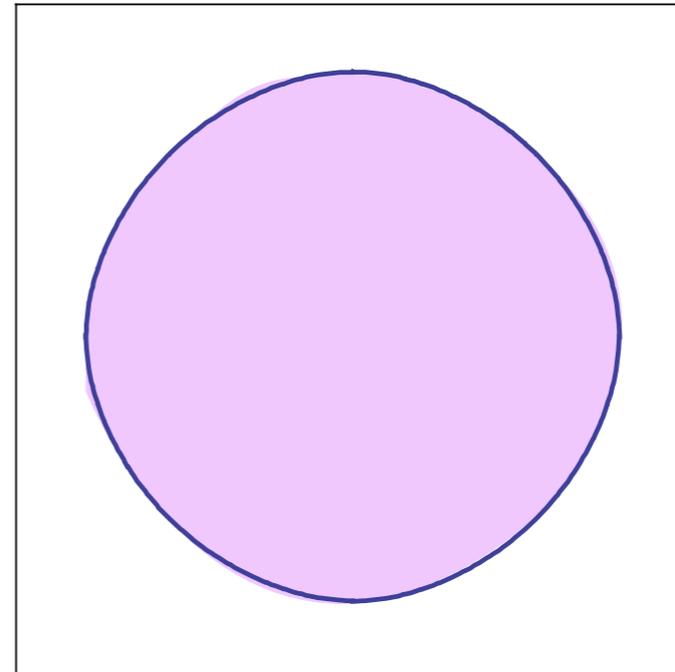
$$n_{i\alpha} = c_{i\alpha}^\dagger c_{i\alpha}$$

$$c_{i\alpha}^\dagger c_{j\beta} + c_{j\beta} c_{i\alpha}^\dagger = \delta_{ij} \delta_{\alpha\beta}$$

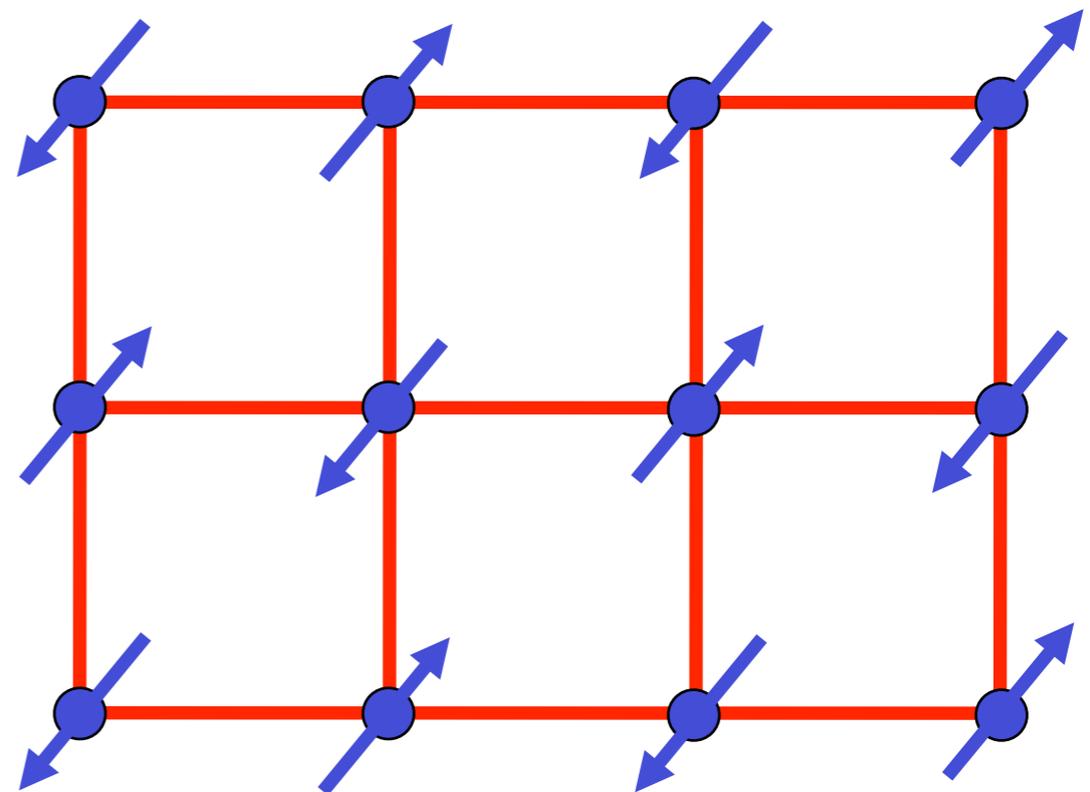
$$c_{i\alpha} c_{j\beta} + c_{j\beta} c_{i\alpha} = 0$$

# Fermi surface+antiferromagnetism

Metal with “large”  
Fermi surface



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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  $\mathbf{K}$  is the ordering wavevector.

# The Hubbard Model

Decouple  $U$  term by a Hubbard-Stratanovich transformation

$$\mathcal{S} = \int d^2r d\tau [\mathcal{L}_c + \mathcal{L}_\varphi + \mathcal{L}_{c\varphi}]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_c = c_a^\dagger \varepsilon(-i\nabla) c_a$$

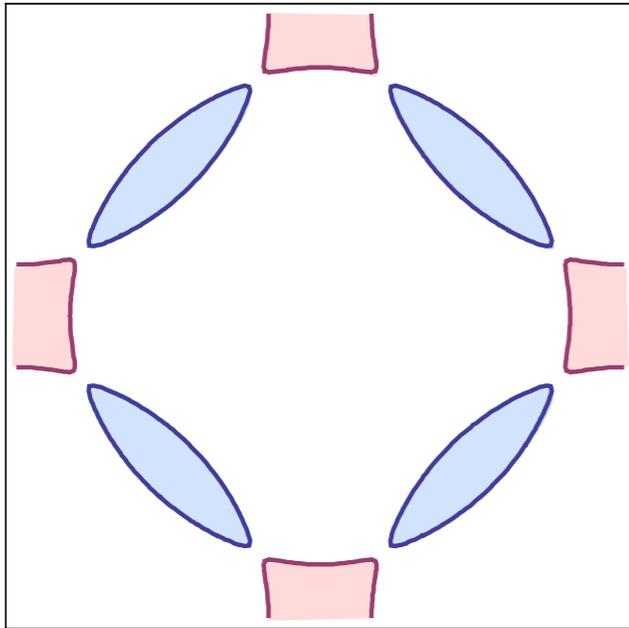
$$\mathcal{L}_\varphi = \frac{1}{2} (\nabla \varphi_\alpha)^2 + \frac{r}{2} \varphi_\alpha^2 + \frac{u}{4} (\varphi_\alpha^2)^2$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{c\varphi} = \lambda \varphi_\alpha e^{i\mathbf{K}\cdot\mathbf{r}} c_a^\dagger \sigma_{ab}^\alpha c_b.$$

“Yukawa” coupling between fermions and antiferromagnetic order:

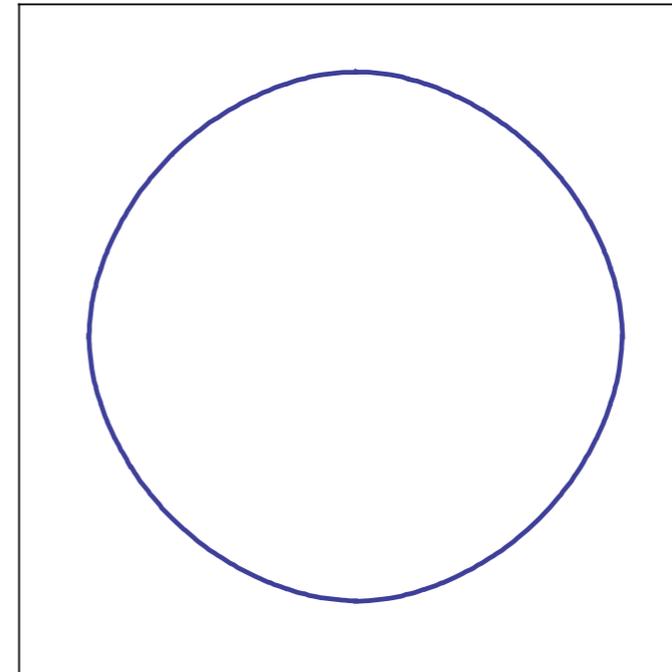
$$\lambda^2 \sim U, \text{ the Hubbard repulsion}$$

# Fermi surface+antiferromagnetism



$$\langle \vec{\varphi} \rangle \neq 0$$

Metal with electron  
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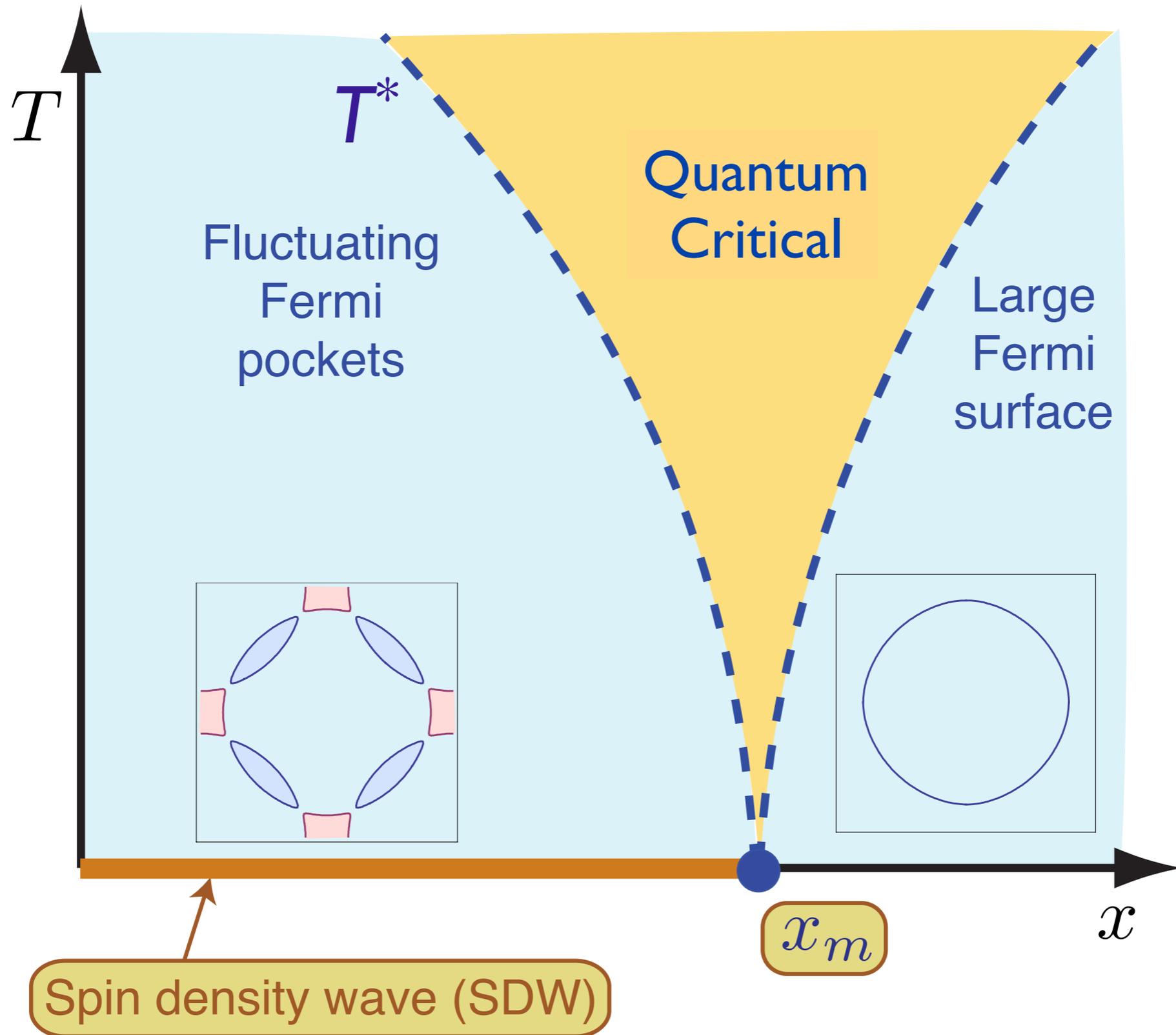
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← Increasing interaction

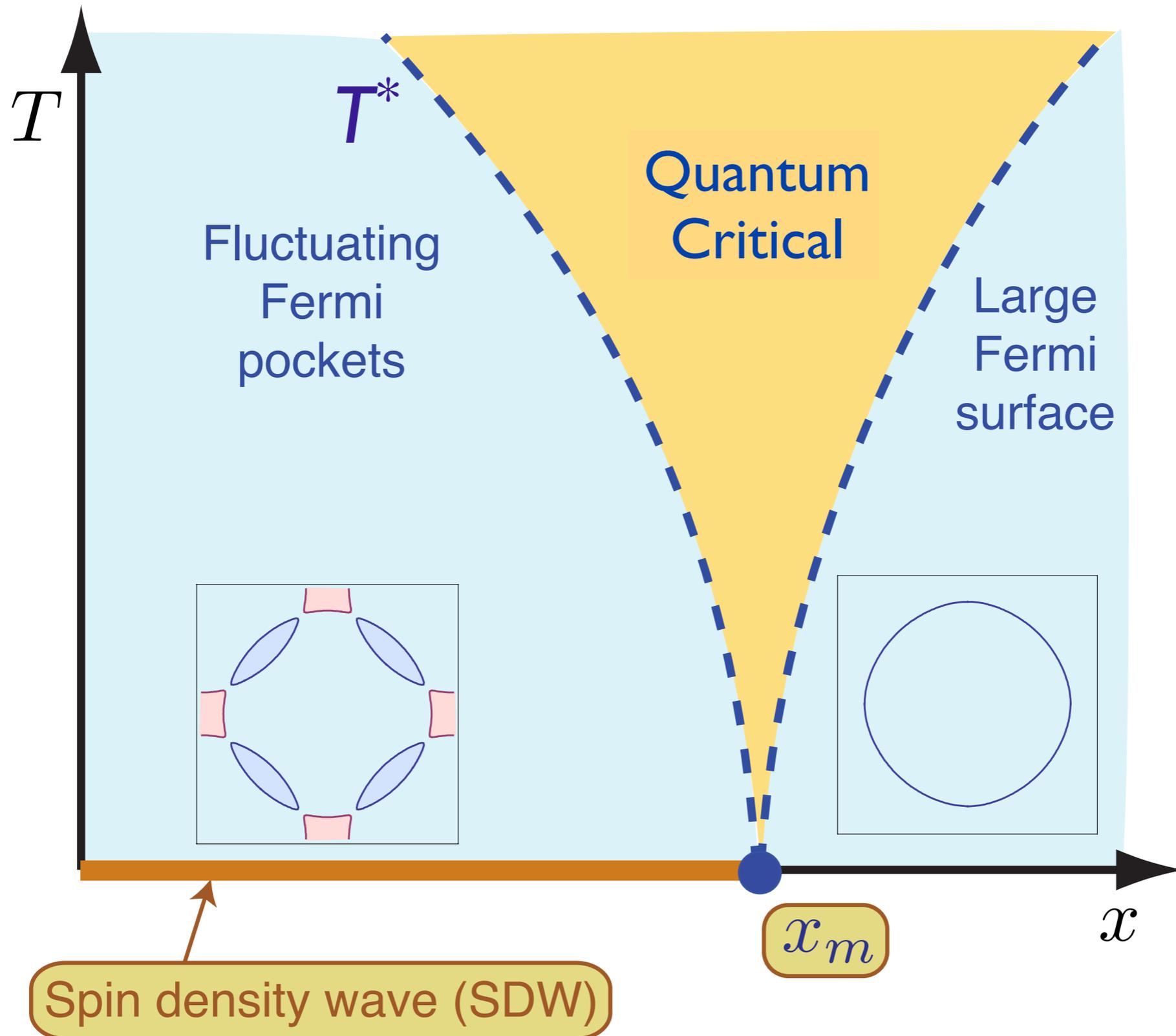
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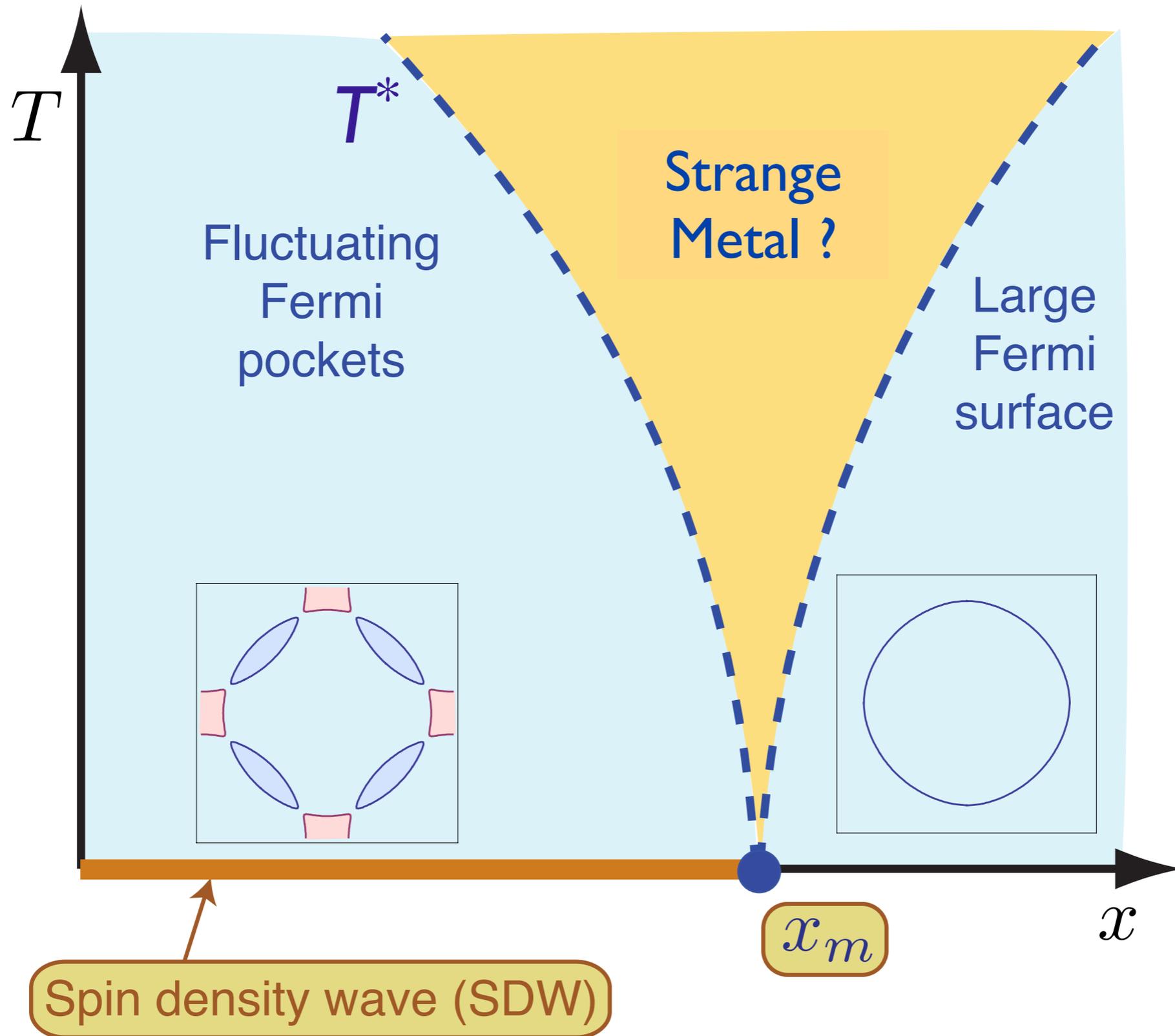
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# Pairing by SDW fluctuation exchange

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

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.

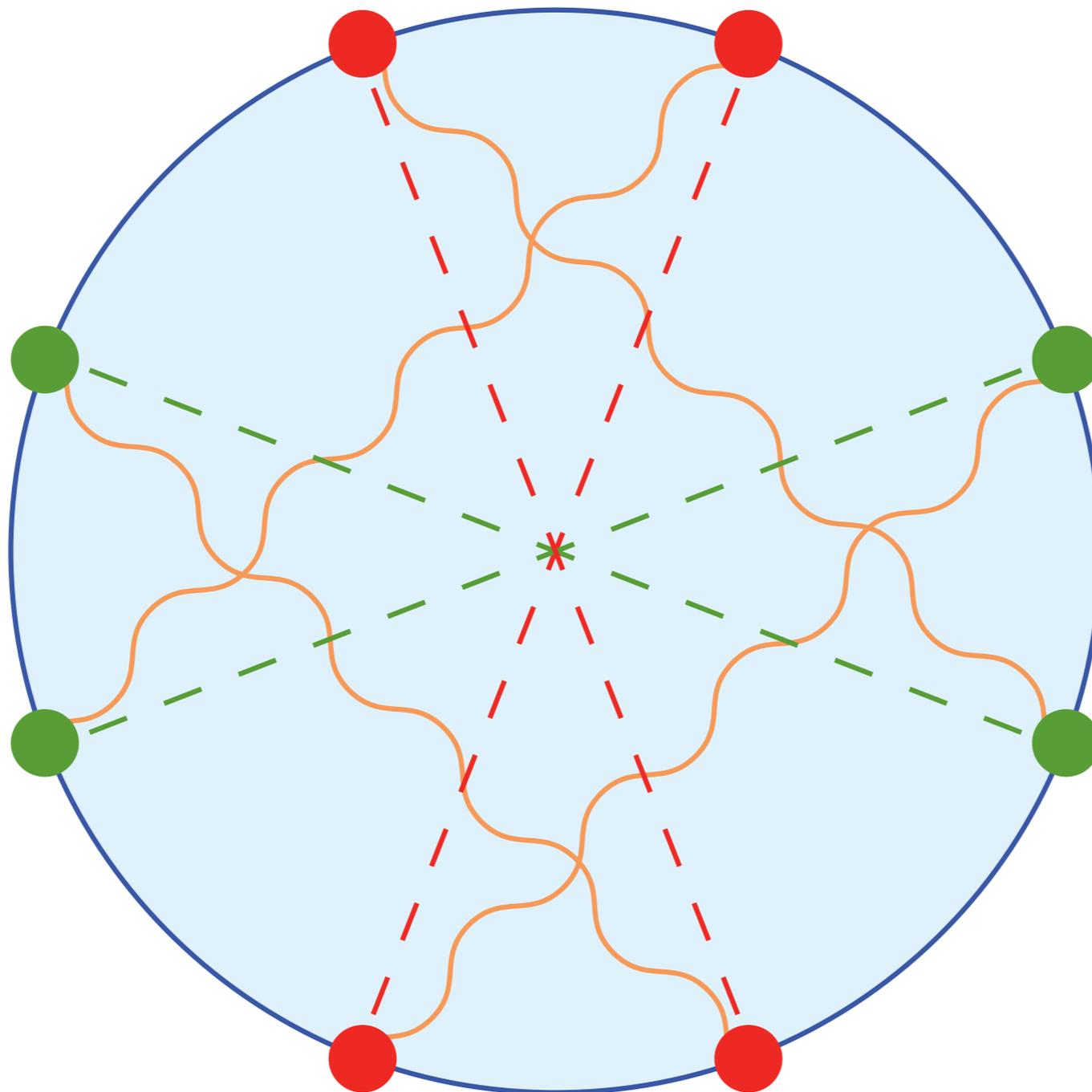
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In BCS theory, this interaction leads to the ‘gap equation’ for the pairing gap  $\Delta_{\mathbf{k}} \propto \langle c_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow} c_{-\mathbf{k}\downarrow} \rangle$ .

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

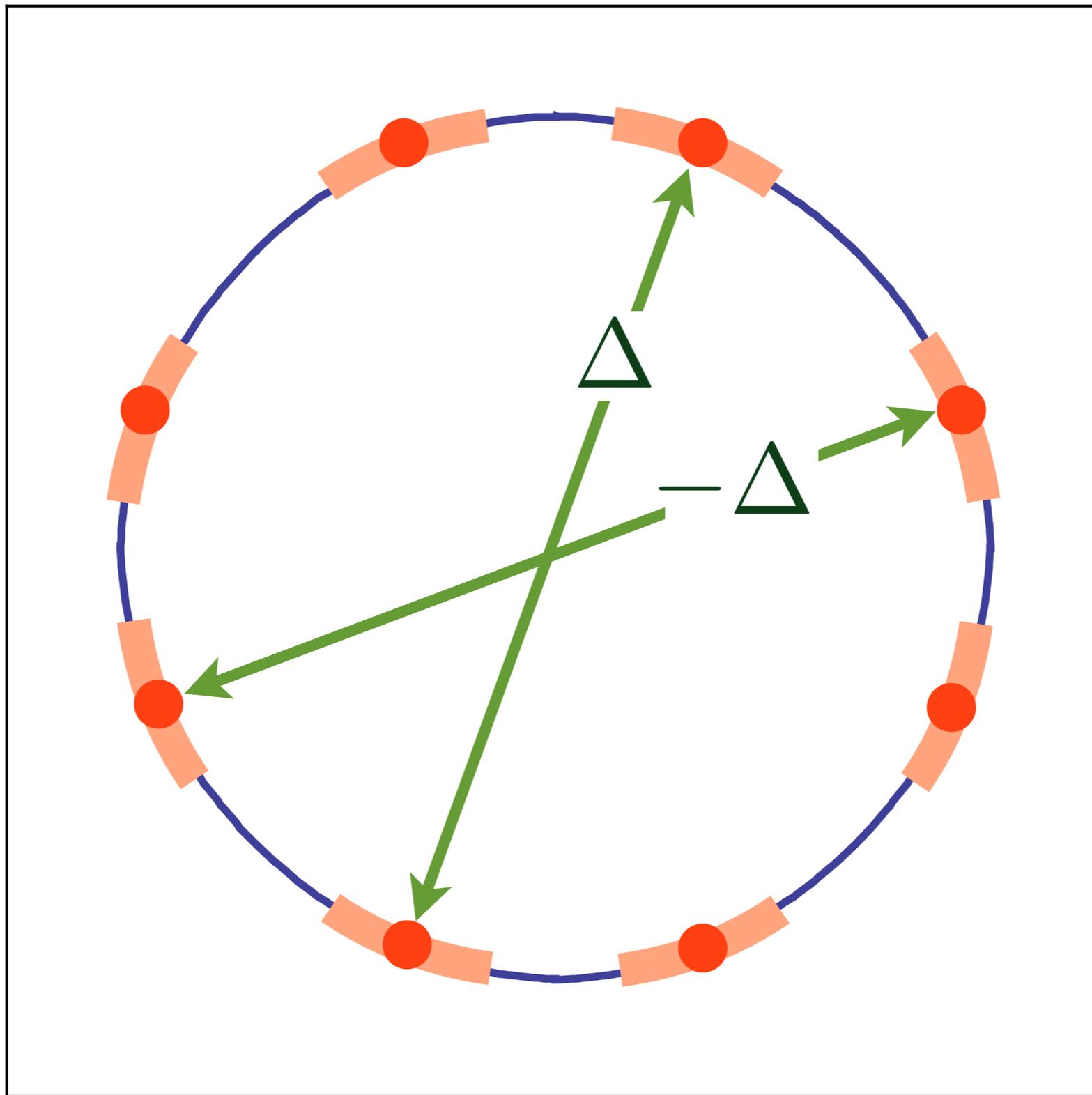
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# Pairing “glue” from antiferromagnetic fluctuations



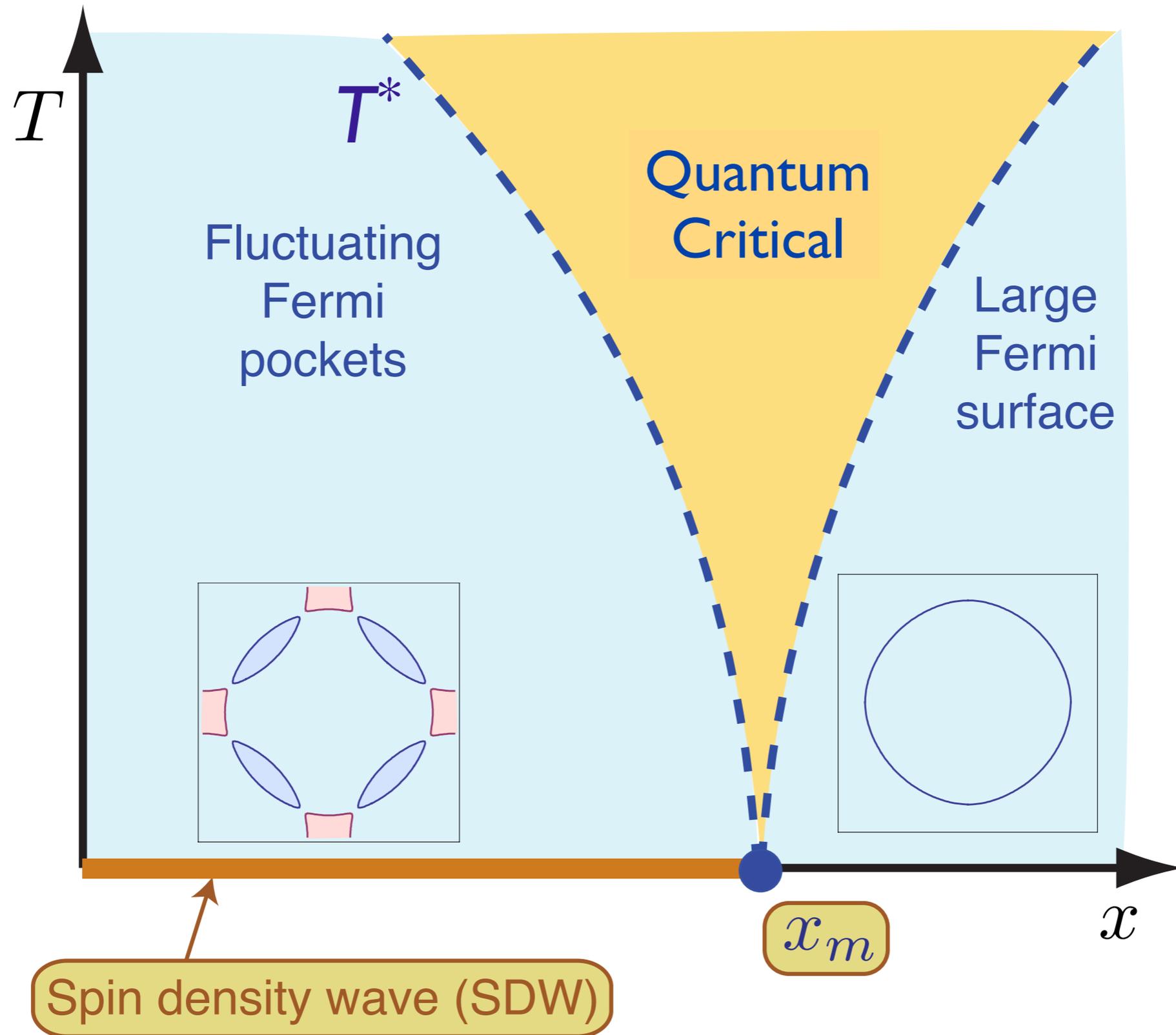
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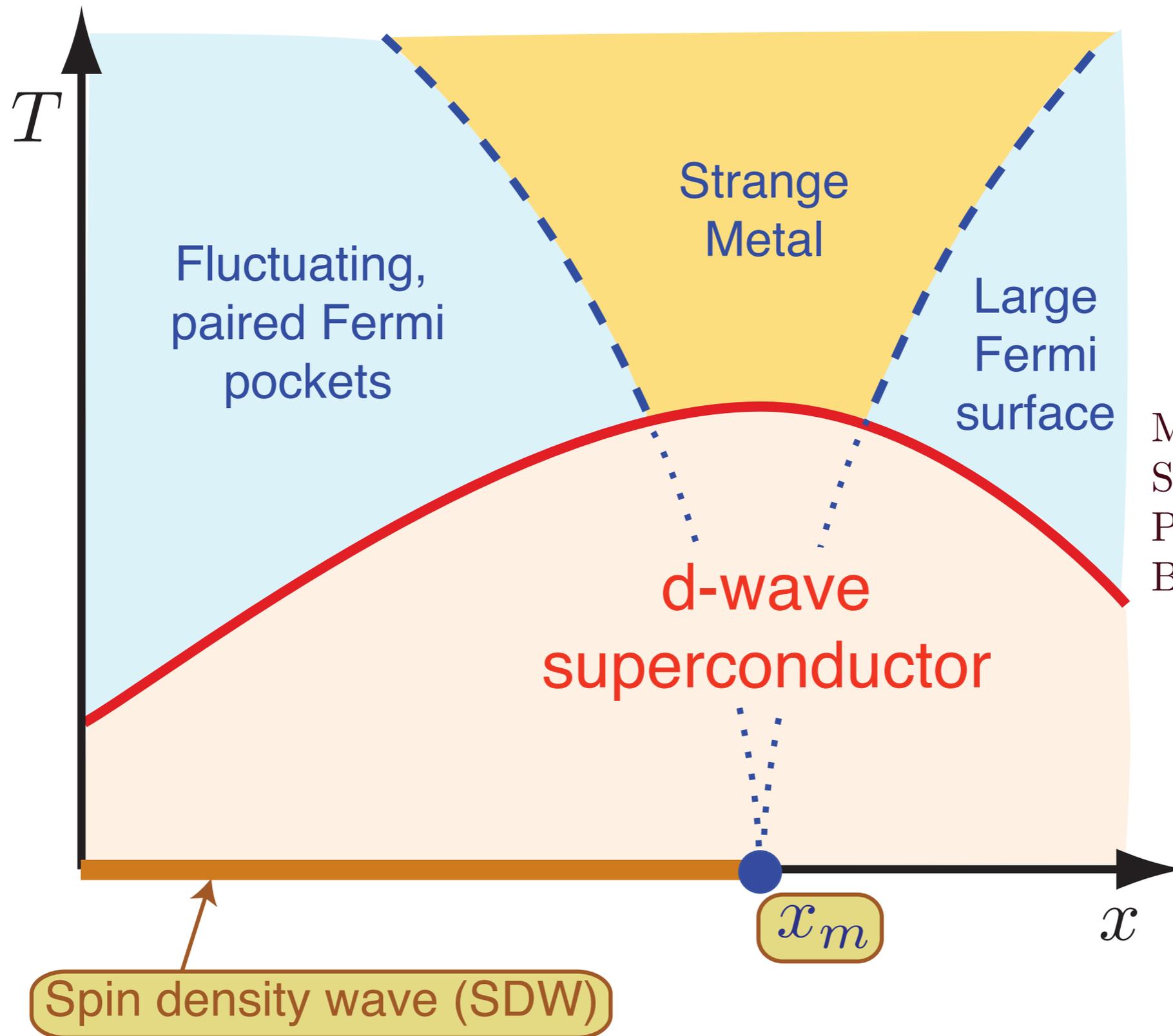
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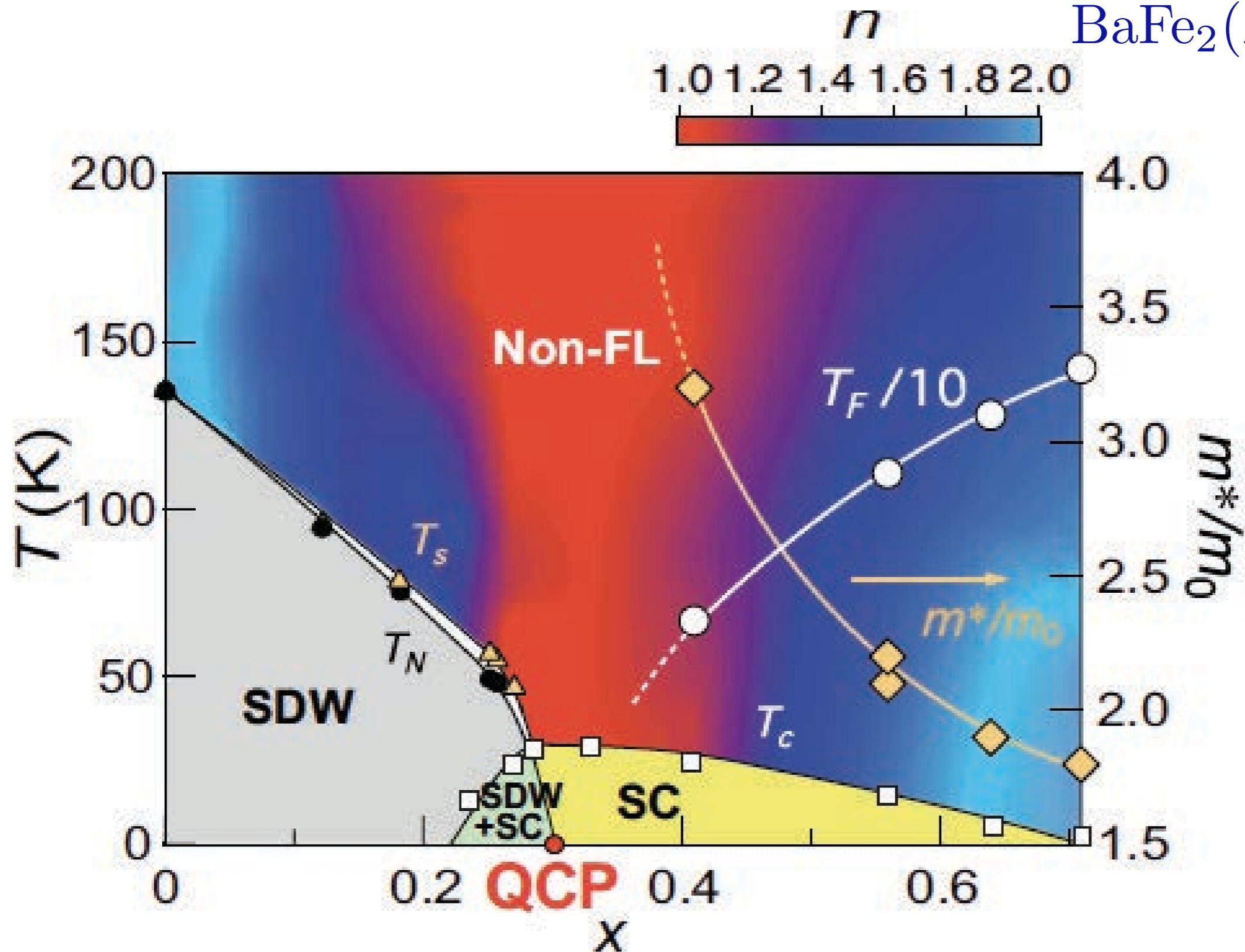
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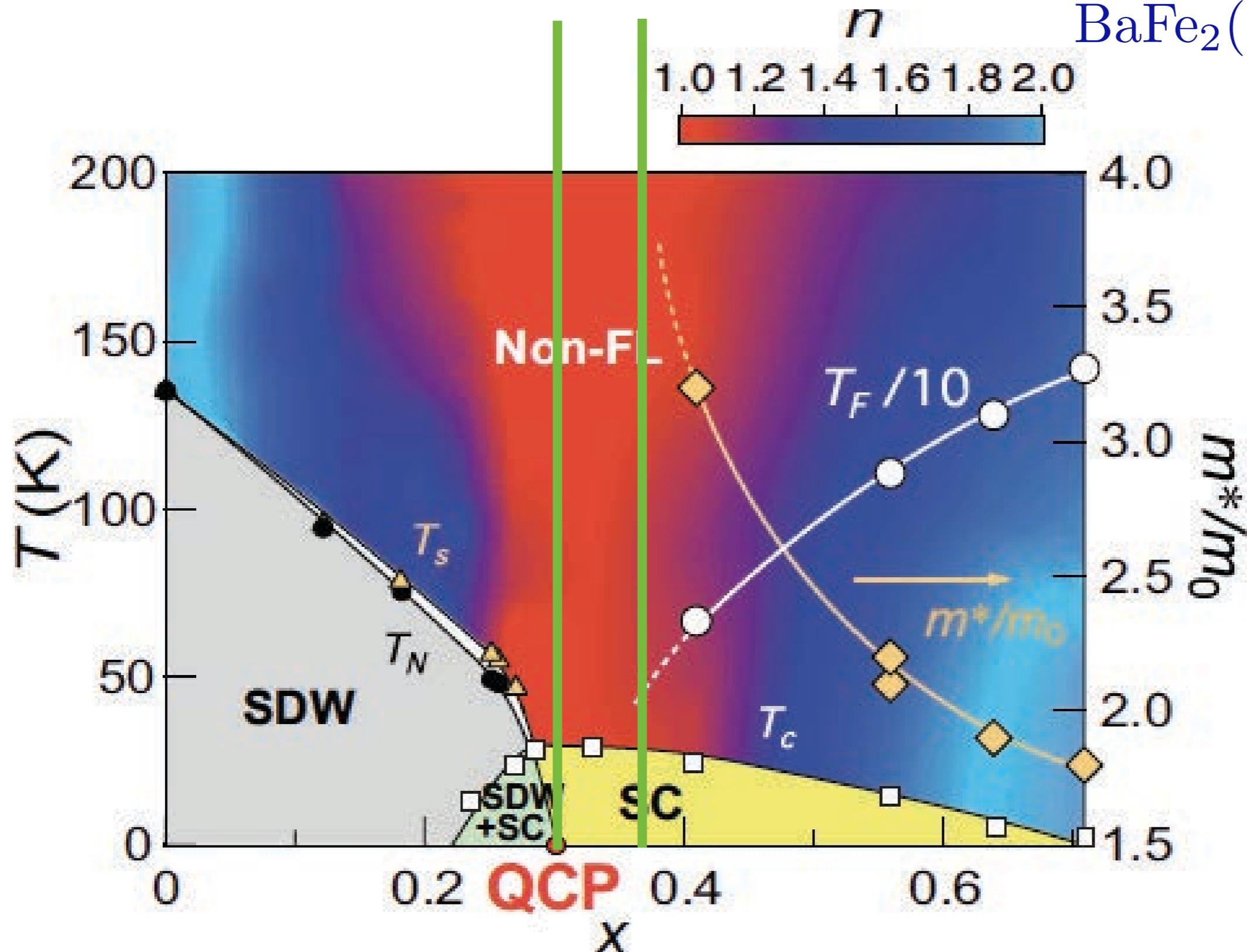


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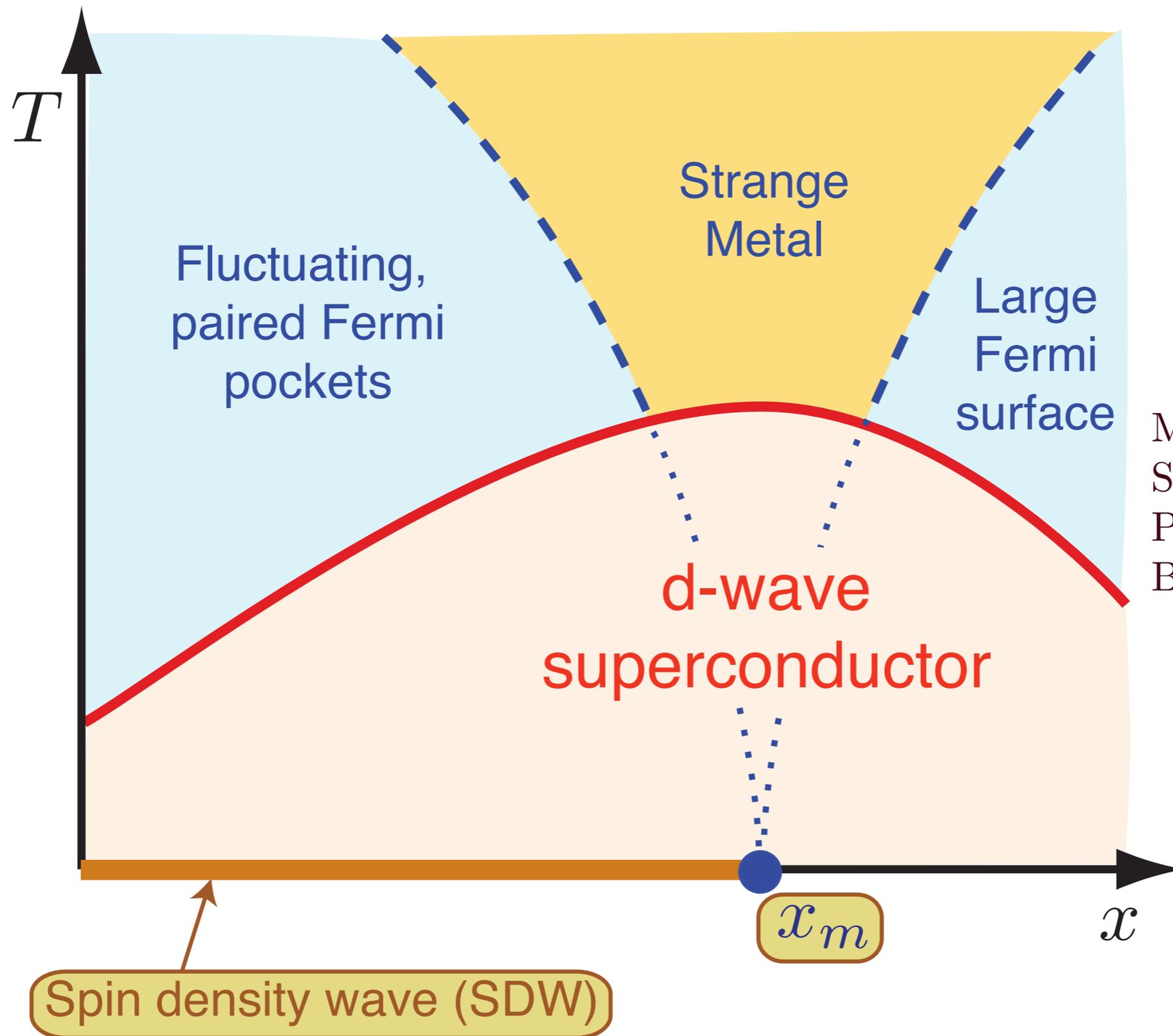


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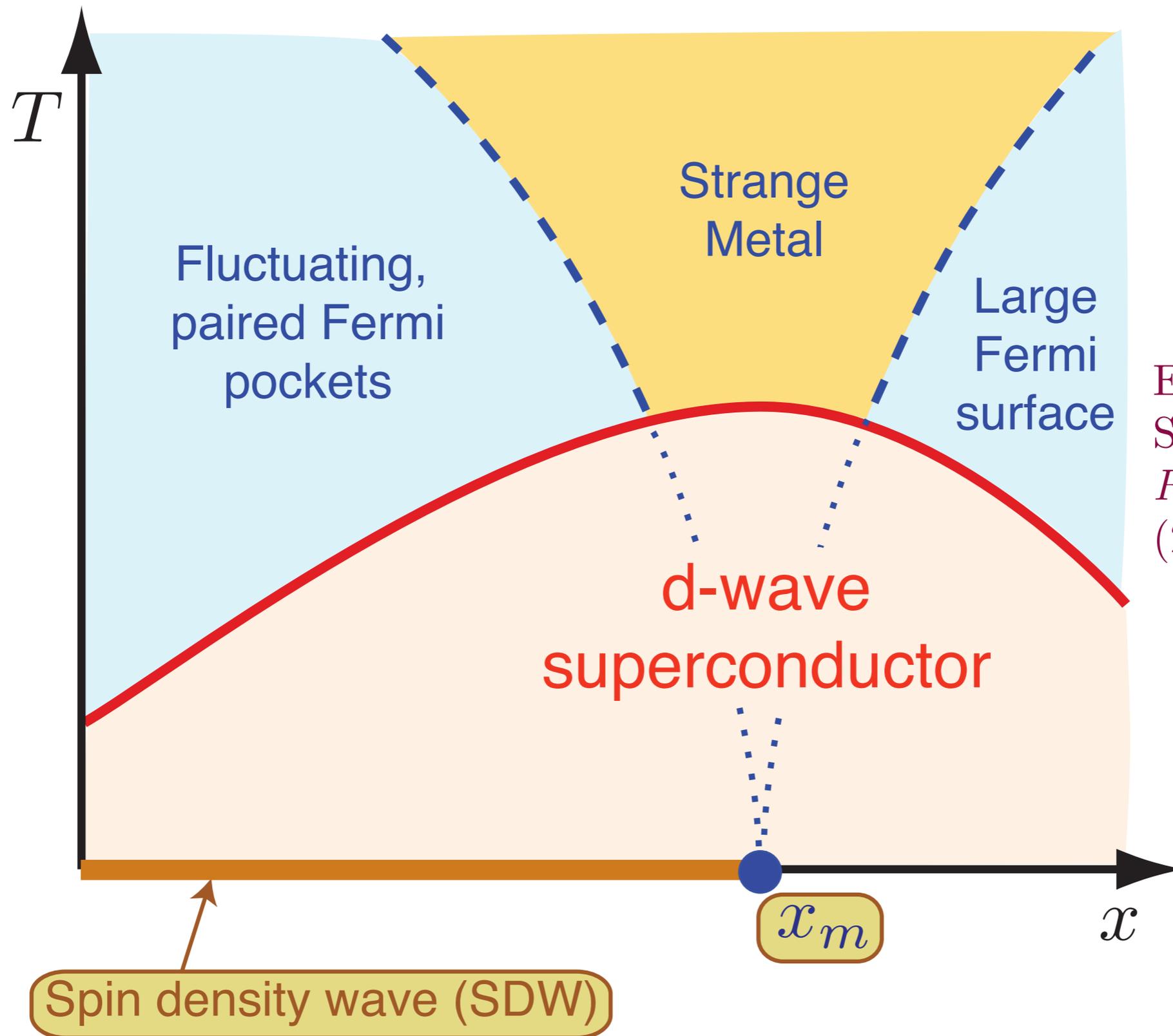
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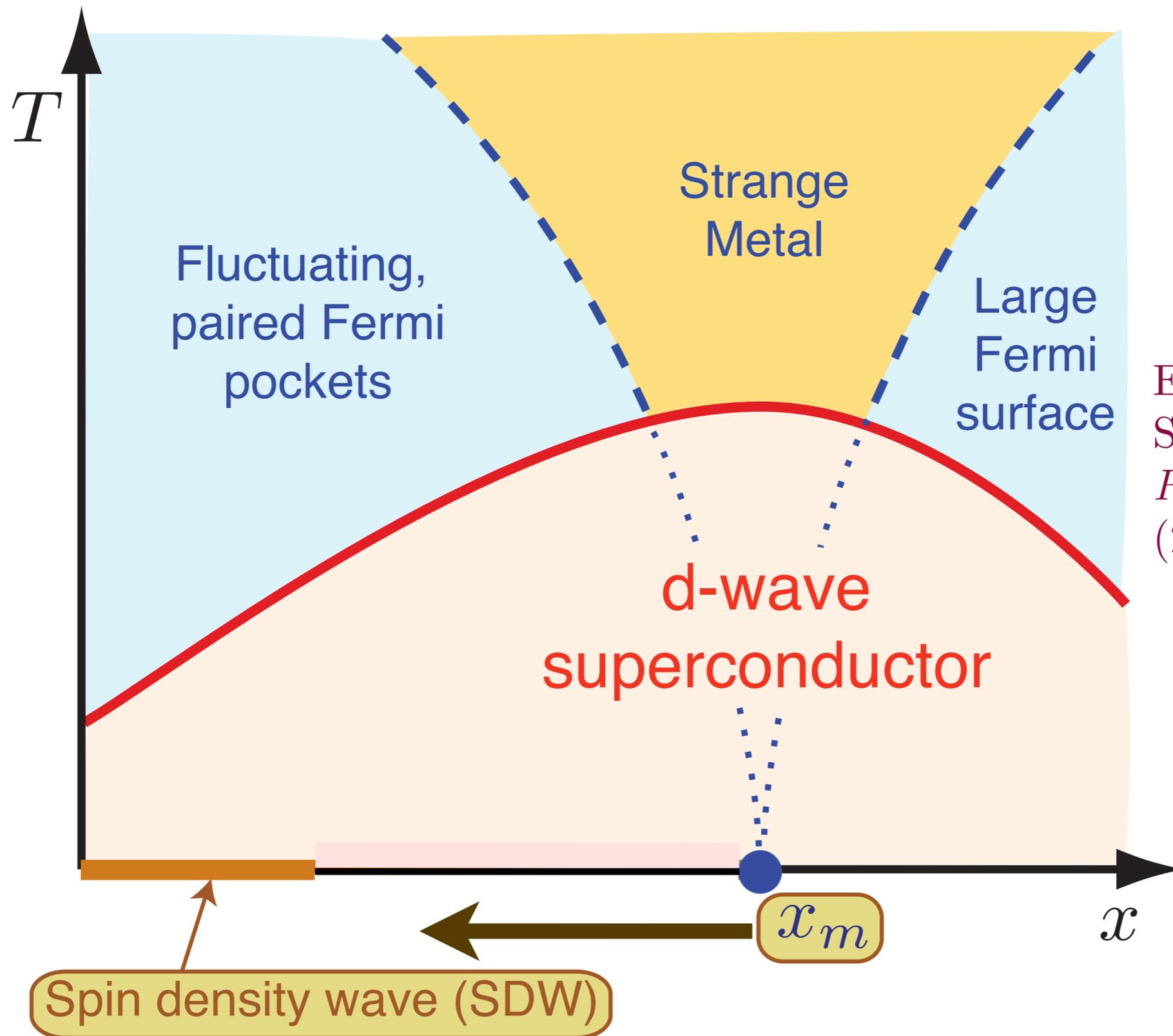
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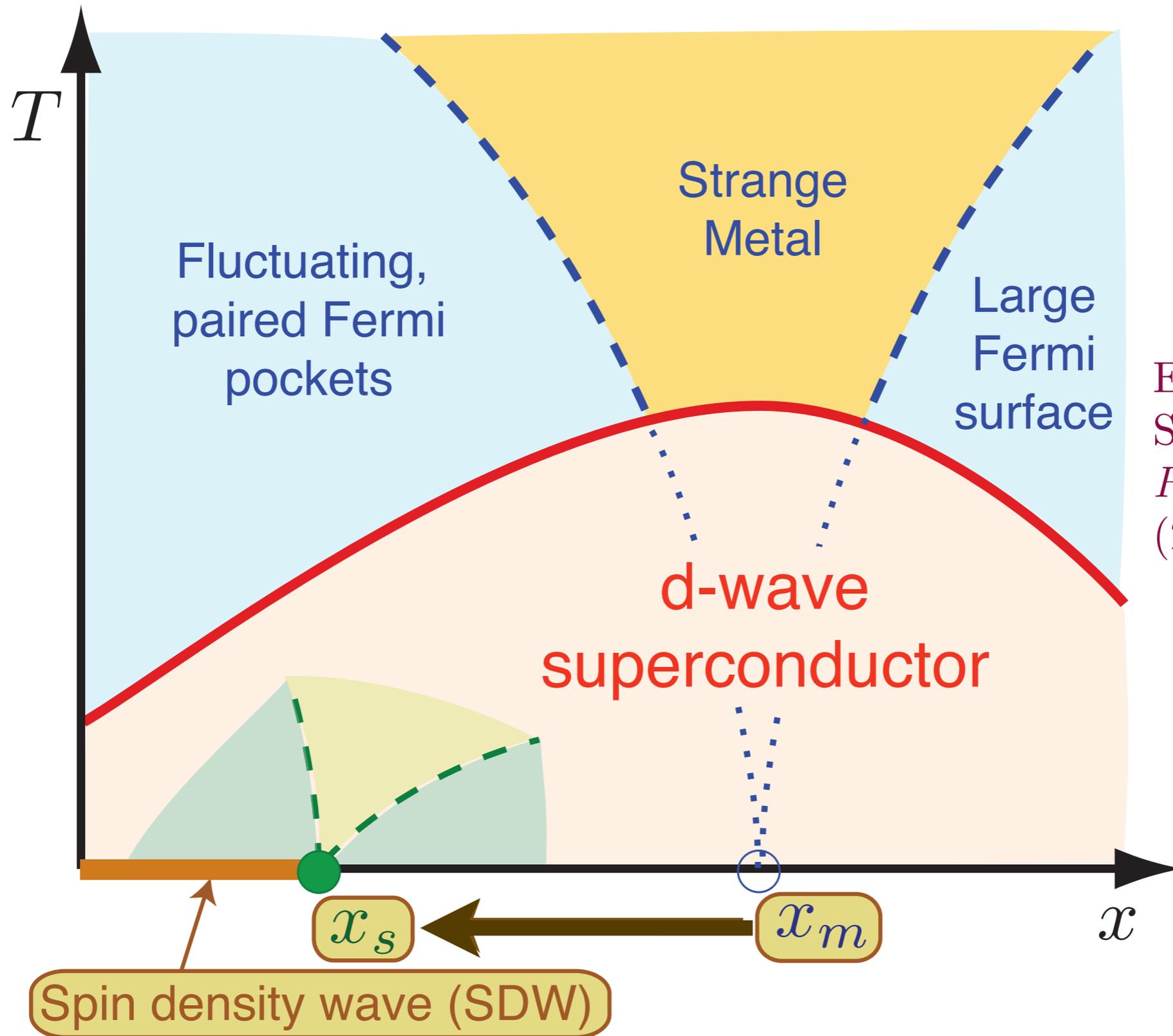
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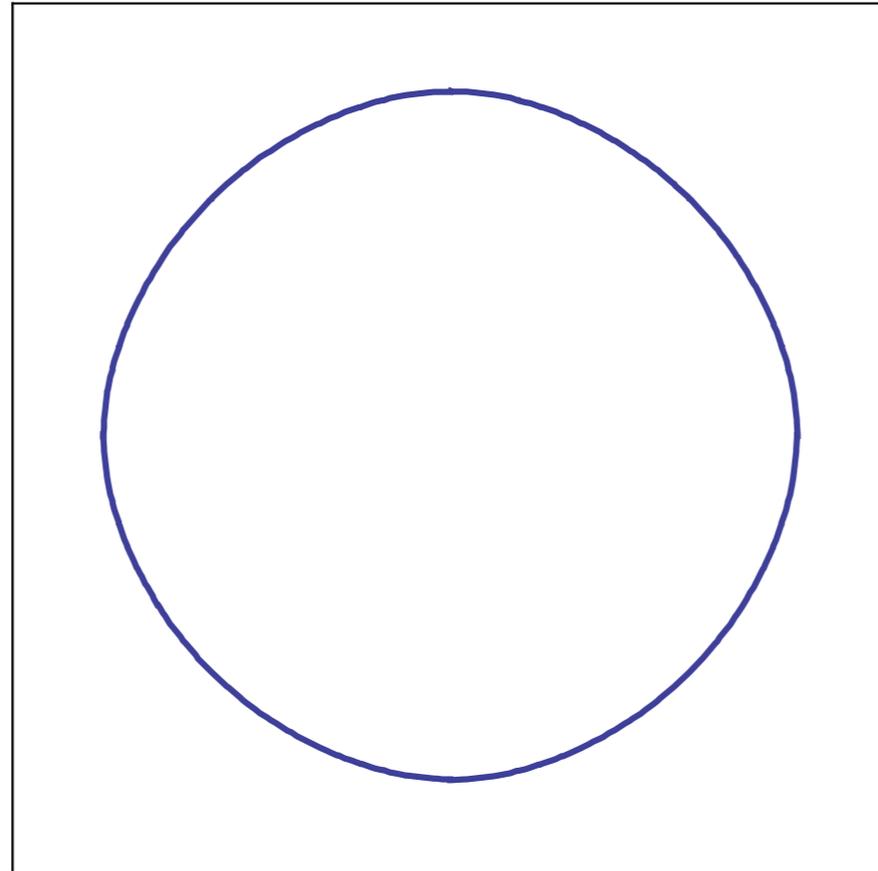
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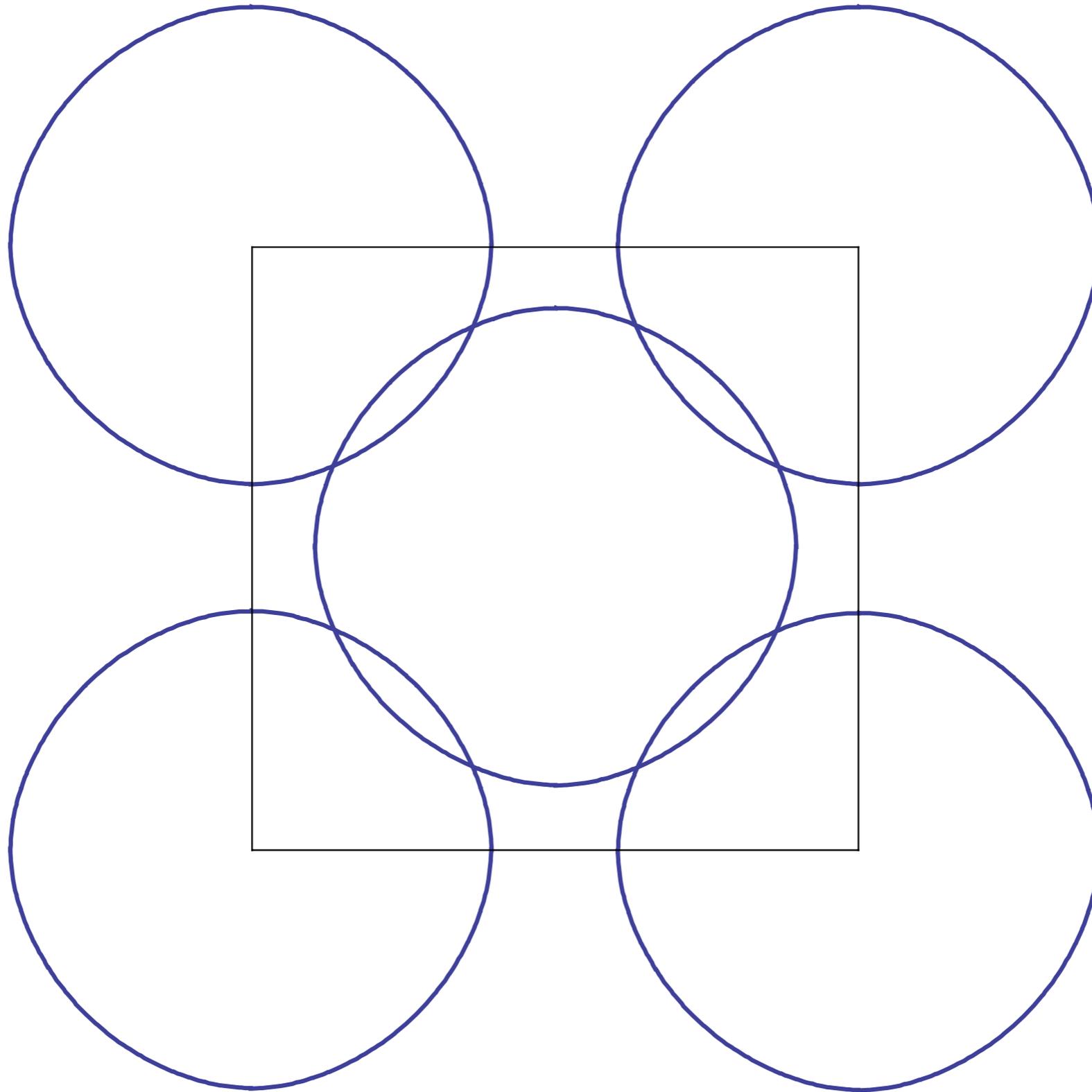
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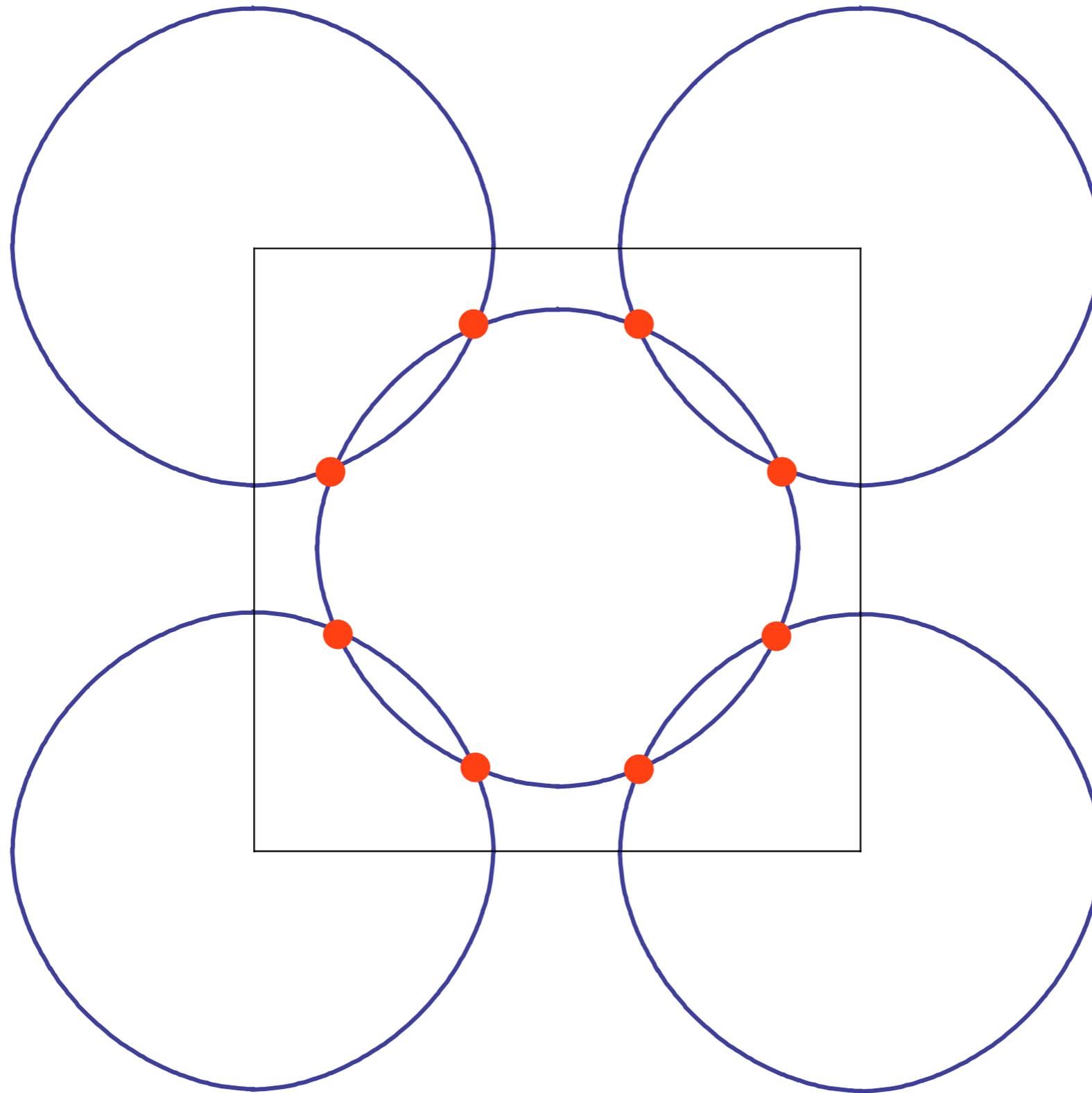
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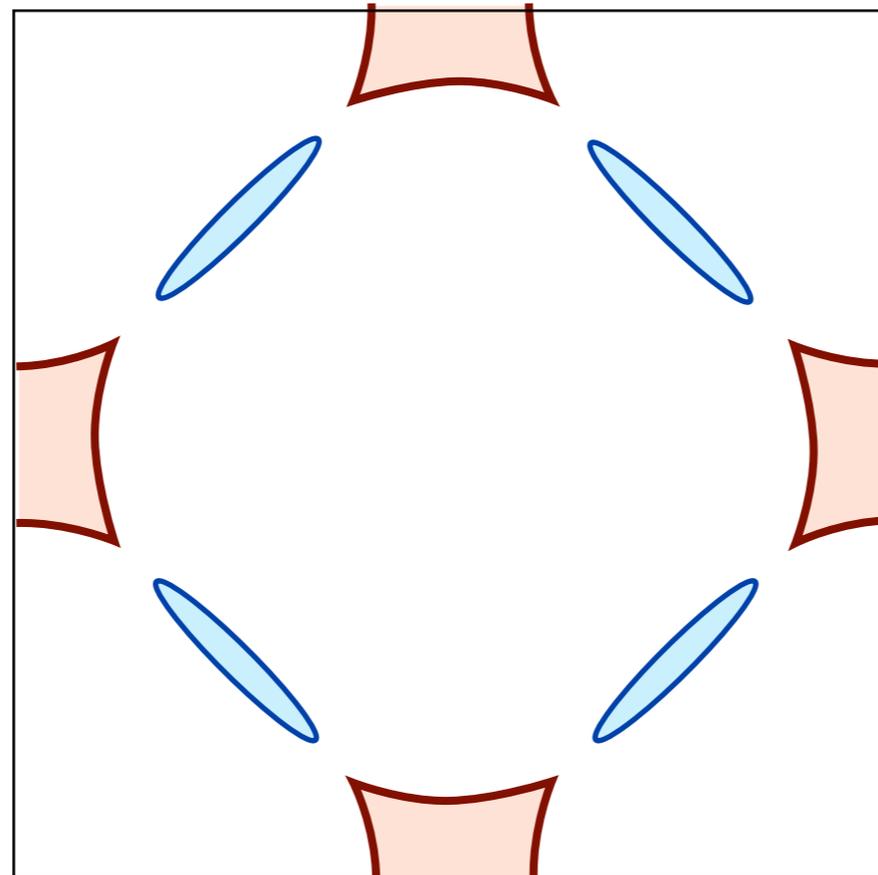
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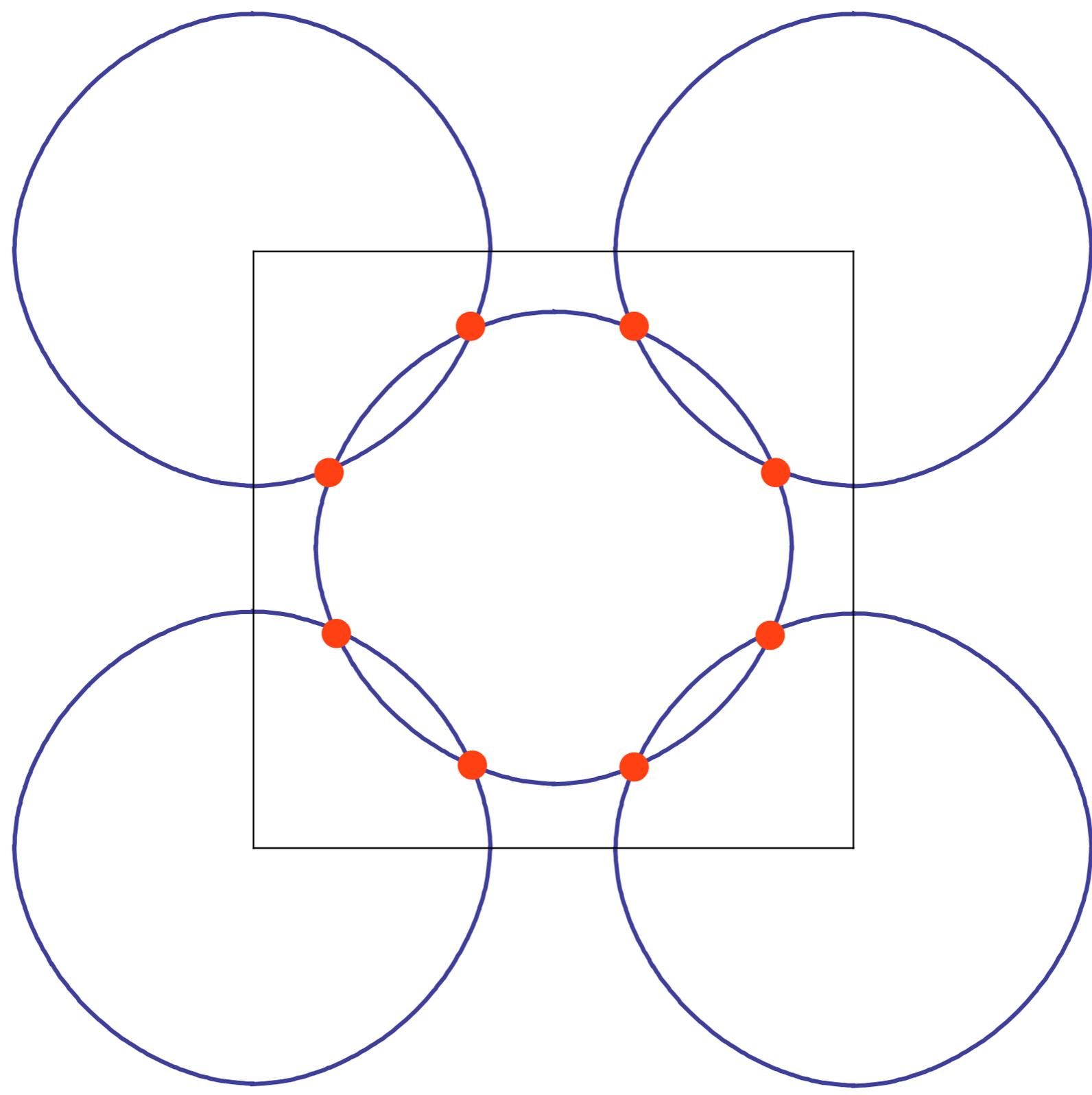


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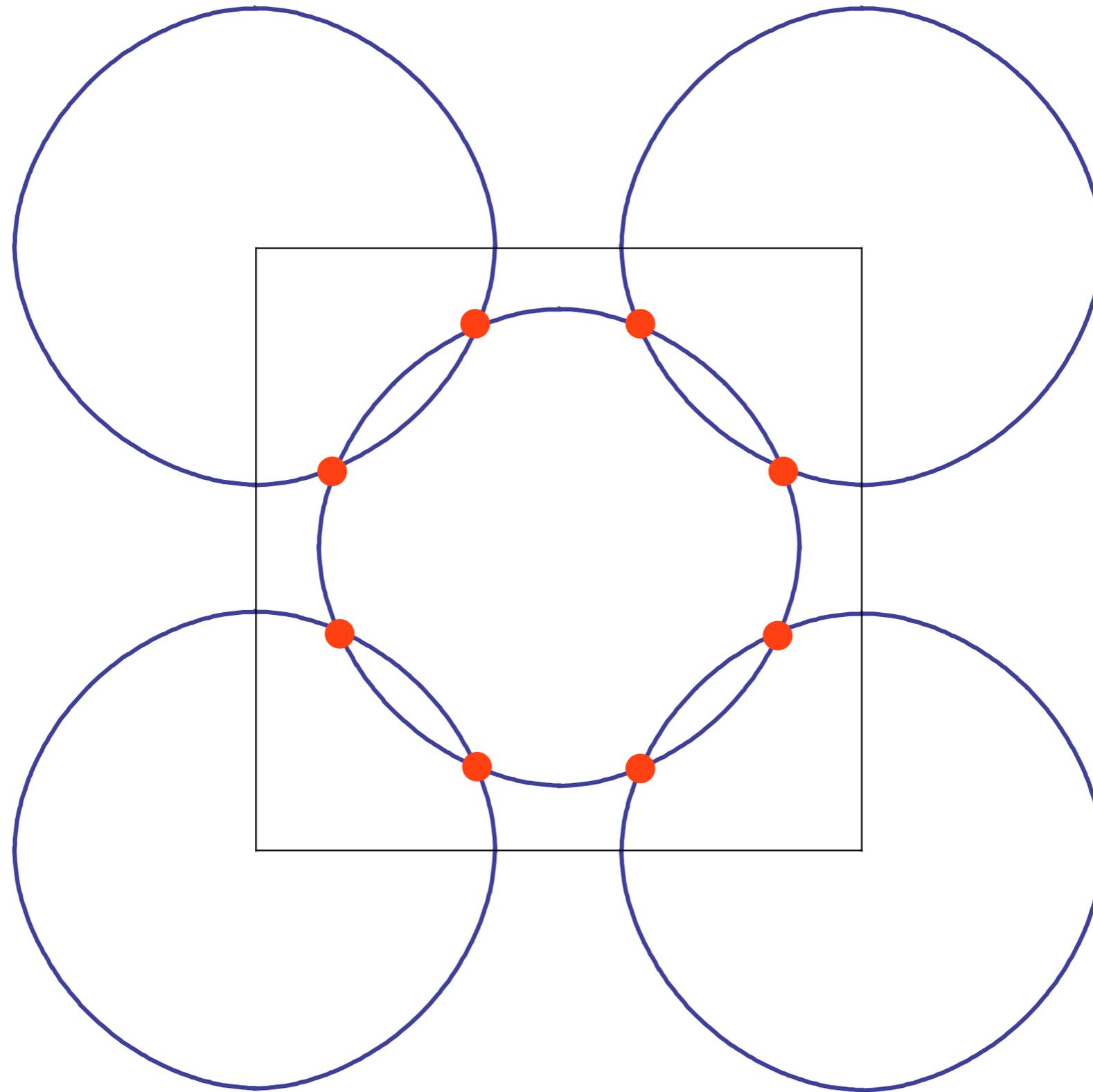
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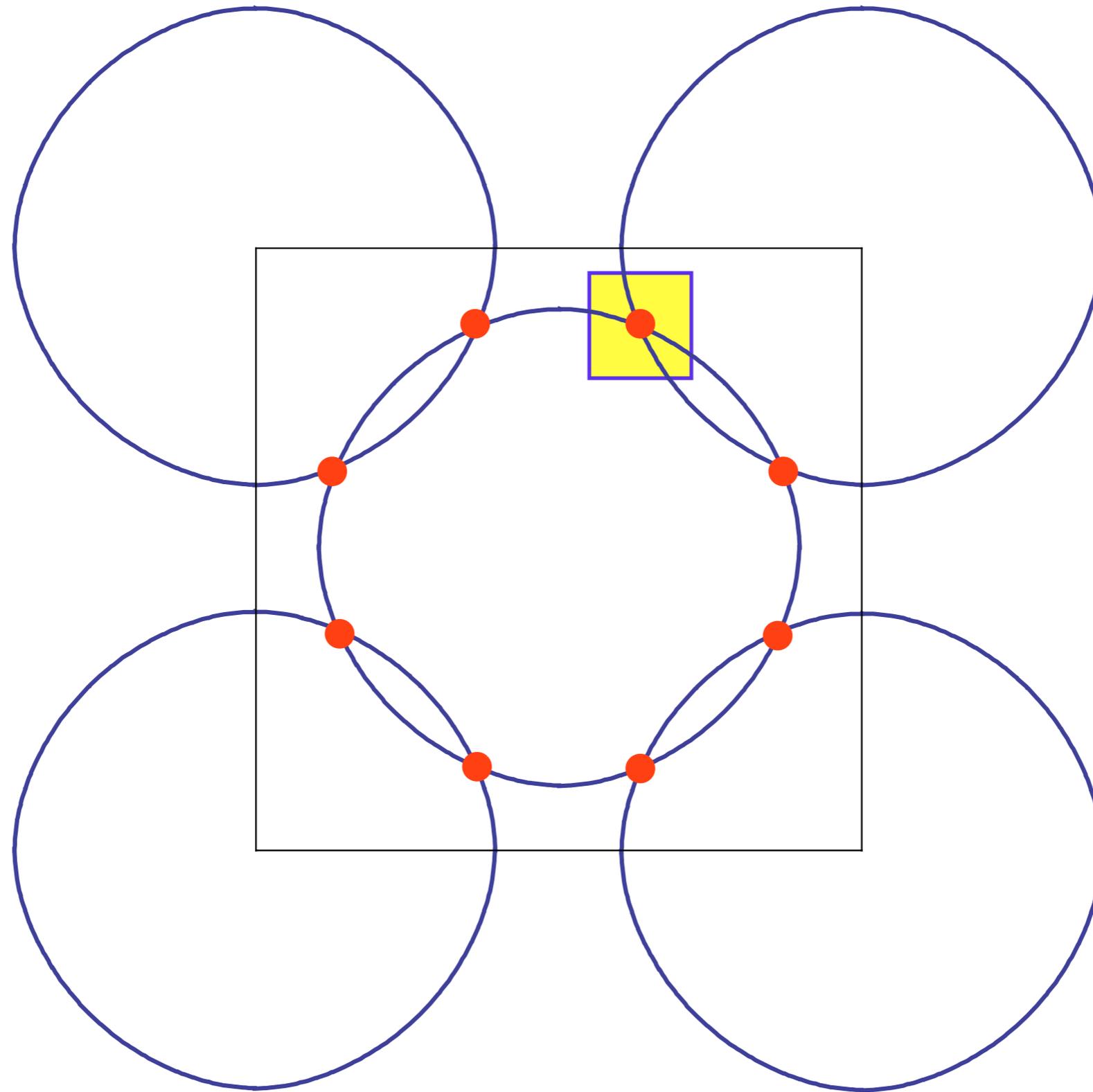
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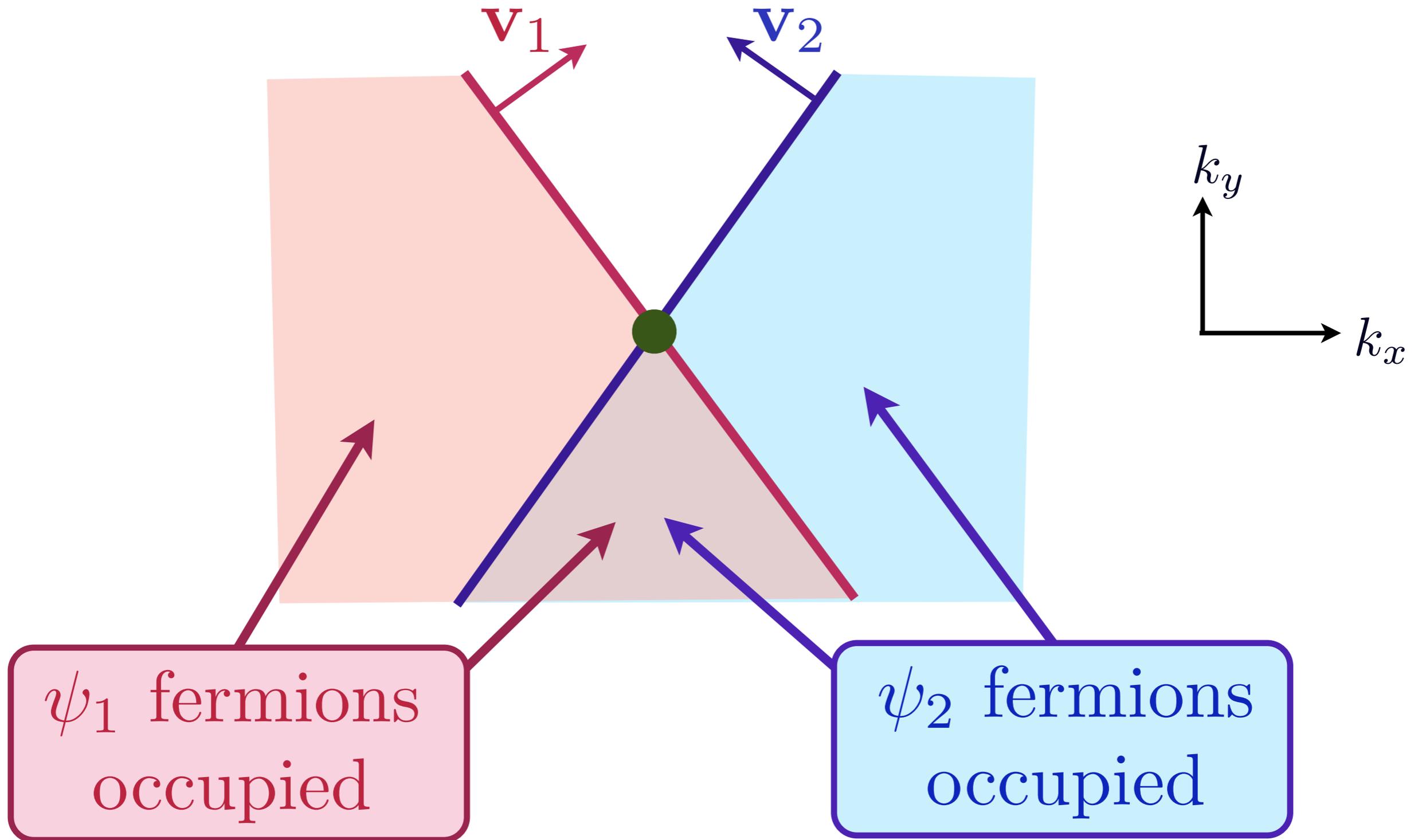


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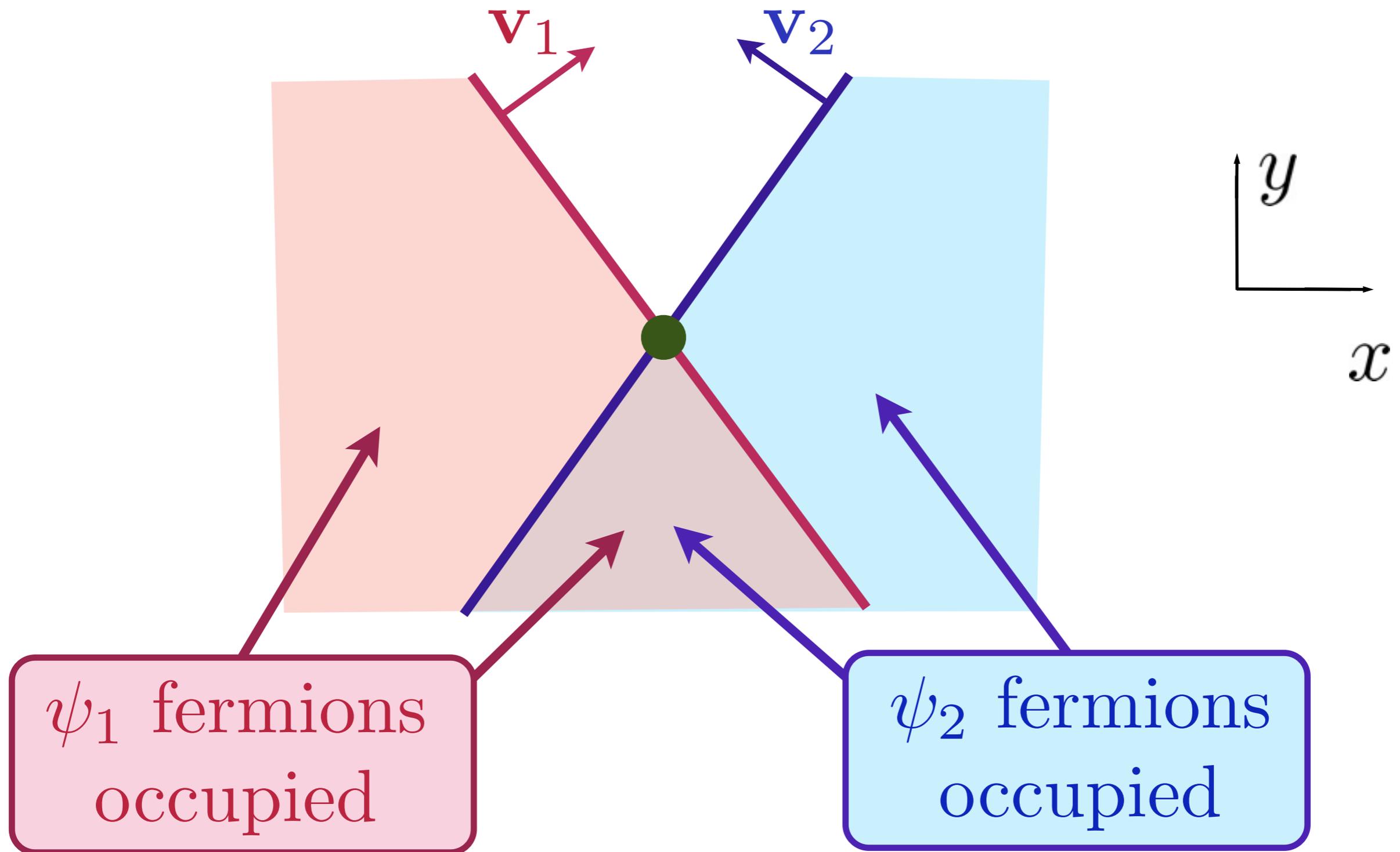


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Theory has fermions  $\psi_{1,2}$  (with Fermi velocities  $\mathbf{v}_{1,2}$ ) and boson order parameter  $\vec{\varphi}$ , interacting with coupling  $\lambda$

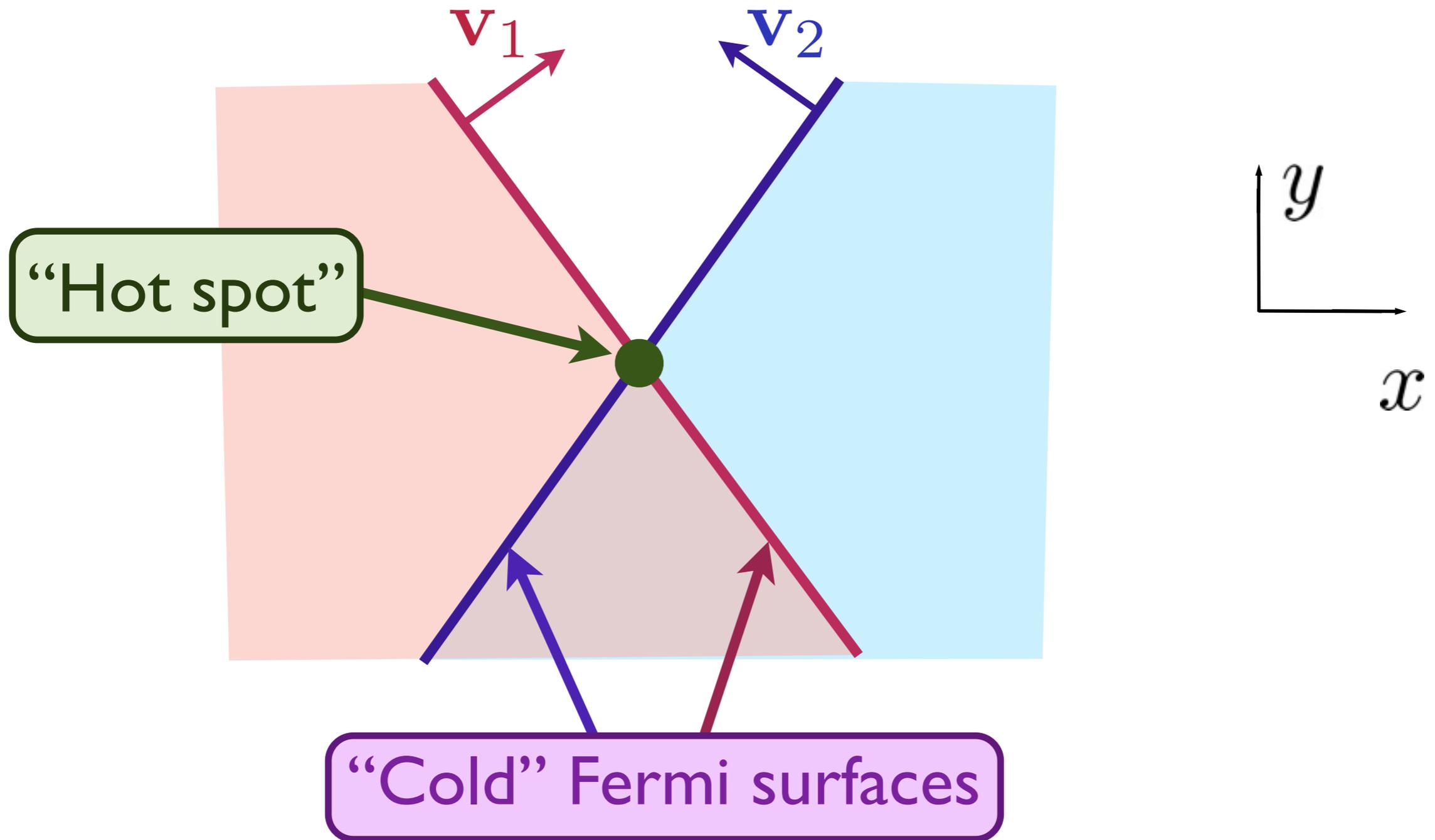


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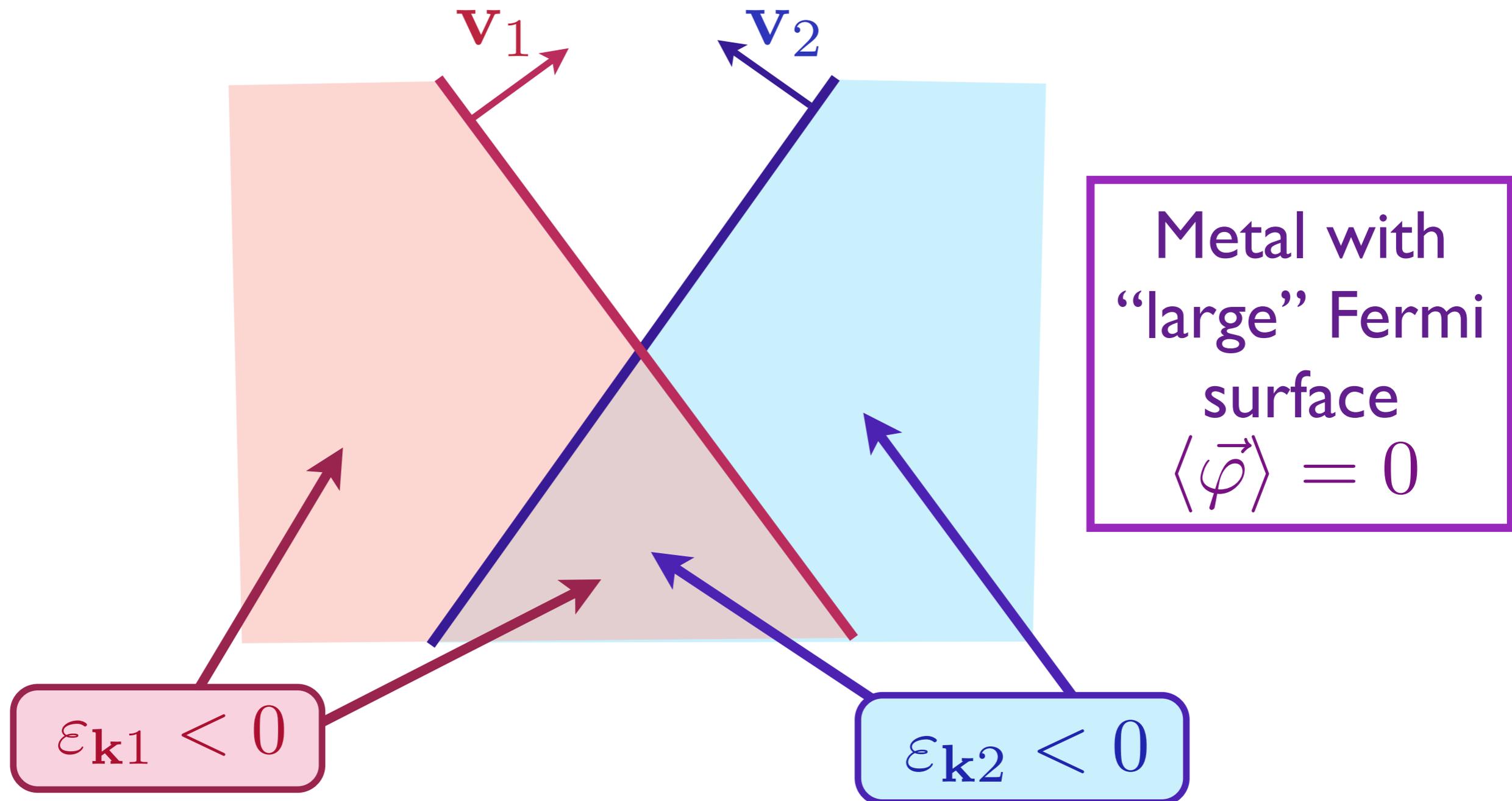
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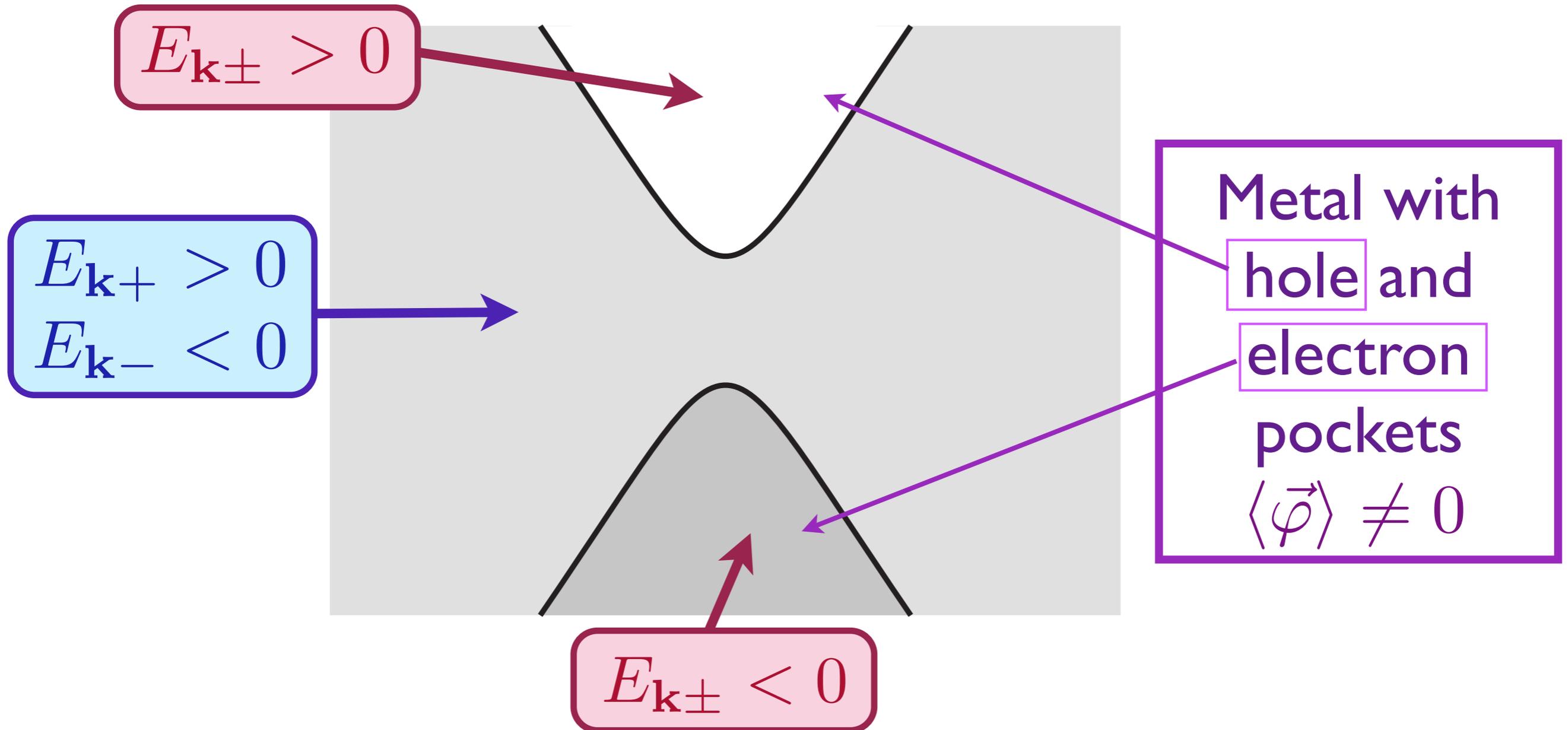
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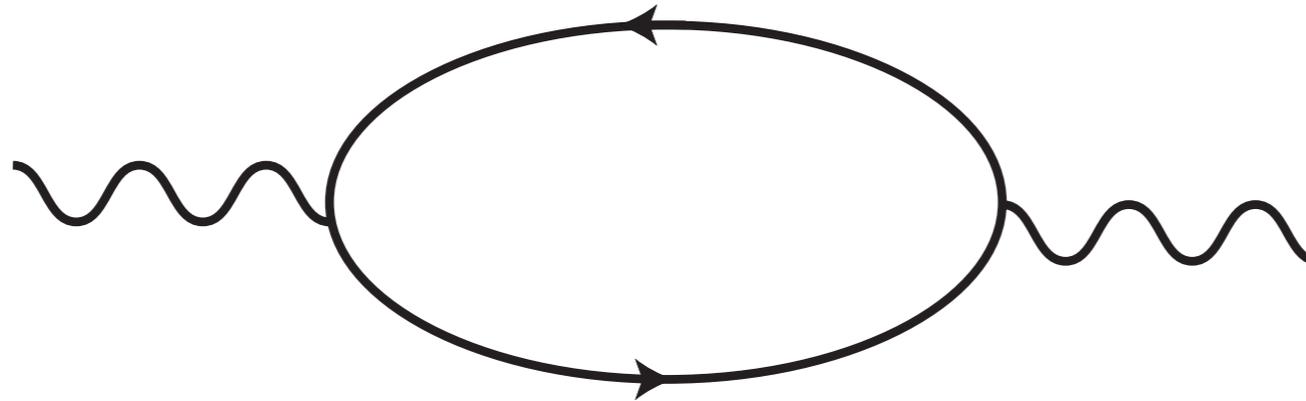


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# Hertz action.

Upon integrating the fermions out, the leading term in the  $\vec{\varphi}$  effective action is  $-\Pi(q, \omega_n) |\vec{\varphi}(q, \omega_n)|^2$ , where  $\Pi(q, \omega_n)$  is the fermion polarizability. This is given by a simple fermion loop diagram



$$\Pi(q, \omega_n) = \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \int \frac{d\epsilon_n}{2\pi} \frac{1}{[-i\zeta(\epsilon_n + \omega_n) + \mathbf{v}_1 \cdot (\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q})][ -i\zeta\epsilon_n + \mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{k}]} \quad (1)$$

We define oblique co-ordinates  $p_1 = \mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{k}$  and  $p_2 = \mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{k}$ . It is then clear that the integrand in (1) is independent of the  $(d - 2)$  transverse momenta, whose integral yields an overall factor  $\Lambda^{d-2}$  (in  $d = 2$  this factor is precisely 1). Also, by shifting the integral

over  $k_1$  we note that the integral is independent of  $q$ . So we have

$$\Pi(q, \omega_n) = \frac{\Lambda^{d-2}}{|\mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{v}_2|} \int \frac{dp_1 dp_2 d\epsilon_n}{8\pi^3} \frac{1}{[-i\zeta(\epsilon_n + \omega_n) + p_1][ -i\zeta\epsilon_n + p_2 ]}. \quad (2)$$

Next, we evaluate the frequency integral to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi(q, \omega_n) &= \frac{\Lambda^{d-2}}{\zeta |\mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{v}_2|} \int \frac{dp_1 dp_2}{4\pi^2} \frac{[\text{sgn}(p_2) - \text{sgn}(p_1)]}{-i\zeta\omega_n + p_1 - p_2} \\ &= \frac{|\omega_n| \Lambda^{d-2}}{4\pi |\mathbf{v}_1 \times \mathbf{v}_2|}. \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

In the last step, we have dropped a frequency-independent, cutoff-dependent constant which can be absorbed into a redefinition of  $r$ . Notice also that the factor of  $\zeta$  has cancelled.

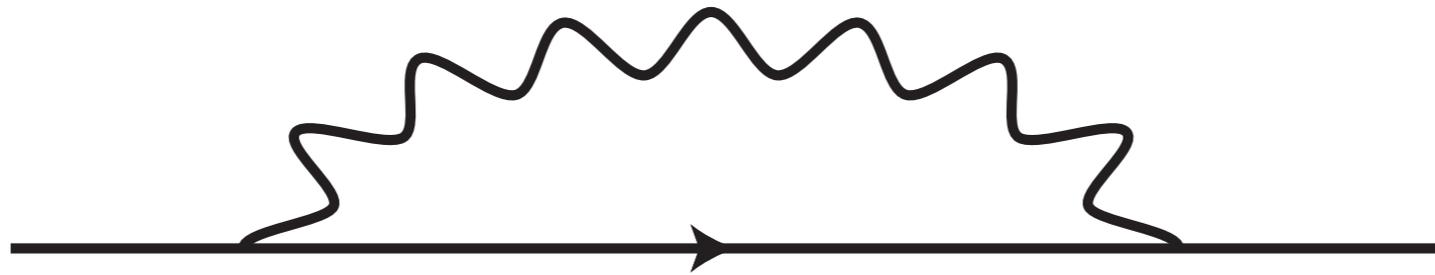
Inserting this fermion polarizability in the effective action for  $\vec{\varphi}$ , we obtain the Hertz action for the SDW transition:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{S}_H &= \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} T \sum_{\omega_n} \frac{1}{2} [k^2 + \gamma|\omega_n| + s] |\vec{\varphi}(k, \omega_n)|^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{u}{4} \int d^d x d\tau (\vec{\varphi}^2(x, \tau))^2. \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

**Exercise:** Perform a tree-level RG rescaling on  $\mathcal{S}_H$ . Now we rescale co-ordinates as  $x' = xe^{-\ell}$  and  $\tau' = \tau e^{-z\ell}$ . Here  $z$  is the dynamic critical exponent. Show that the gradient and non-local terms become invariant for  $z = 2$  (previous theories considered here had  $z = 1$ ). Then show that the transformation of the quartic term is  $u' = ue^{(2-d)\ell}$ . This led Hertz to conclude that the SDW quantum critical point was described by a Gaussian theory for the SDW order parameter in  $d \geq 2$ .

## Fate of the fermions.

Let us, for now, assume the validity of the Hertz Gaussian action, and compute the leading correction to the electronic Green's function. This is given by the following Feynman graph for the electron self energy,  $\Sigma$ . At zero momentum for the  $\psi_1$  fermion we have



$$\Sigma_1(0, \omega_n) = \lambda^2 \int \frac{d^d q}{(2\pi)^d} \int \frac{d\epsilon_n}{2\pi} \frac{1}{[q^2 + \gamma|\epsilon_n|] [-i\zeta(\epsilon_n + \omega_n) + \mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{q}]}. \quad (5)$$

We first perform the integral over the  $\mathbf{q}$  direction parallel to  $\mathbf{v}_2$ , while ignoring the subdominant dependence on this momentum in the boson propagator. The dependence on  $\zeta$  immediately

disappears, and we have

$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma_1(0, \omega_n) &= i \frac{\lambda^2}{|v_2|} \int \frac{d^{d-1}q}{(2\pi)^{d-1}} \int \frac{d\epsilon_n}{2\pi} \frac{\text{sgn}(\epsilon_n + \omega_n)}{|q|^2 + \gamma|\epsilon_n|} \\ &= i \frac{\lambda^2}{\pi|v_2|\gamma} \text{sgn}(\omega_n) \int \frac{d^{d-1}q}{(2\pi)^{d-1}} \ln \left( \frac{|q|^2 + \gamma|\omega_n|}{|q|^2} \right). \quad (6)\end{aligned}$$

Evaluation of the  $q$  integral shows that

$$\Sigma_1(0, \omega_n) \sim |\omega_n|^{(d-1)/2} \quad (7)$$

The most important case is  $d = 2$ , where we have

$$\Sigma_1(0, \omega_n) = i \frac{\lambda^2}{\pi|v_2|\sqrt{\gamma}} \text{sgn}(\omega_n) \sqrt{|\omega_n|} \quad , \quad d = 2. \quad (8)$$

## Strong coupling physics in $d = 2$

The theory so far has the boson propagator

$$\sim \frac{1}{q^2 + \gamma|\omega|}$$

which scales with dynamic exponent  $z_b = 2$ , and now a fermion propagator

$$\sim \frac{1}{-i\zeta\omega + c_1|\omega|^{(d-1)/2} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{q}}.$$

First note that for  $d < 3$ , the bare  $-i\zeta\omega$  term is less important than the contribution from the self energy at low frequencies. This indicates that  $\zeta$  is *irrelevant* in the critical theory, and we can set  $\zeta \rightarrow 0$ . Fortunately, all the loop diagrams evaluated so far are independent of  $\zeta$ .

Setting  $\zeta = 0$ , we see that the fermion propagator scales with dynamic exponent  $z_f = 2/(d - 1)$ . For  $d > 2$ ,  $z_f < z_b$ , and so at small momenta the boson fluctuations have lower energy than the fermion fluctuations. Thus it seems reasonable to assume that the

fermion fluctuations are not as singular, and we can focus on an effective theory of the SDW order parameter  $\vec{\varphi}$  alone. In other words, the Hertz assumptions appear valid for  $d > 2$ .

However, in  $d = 2$ , we have  $z_f = z_b = 2$ . Thus fermionic and bosonic fluctuations are equally important, and it is not appropriate to integrate the fermions out at an initial stage. We have to return to the original theory of coupled bosons and fermions. This turns out to be strongly coupled, and exhibits complex critical behavior. For more details, see

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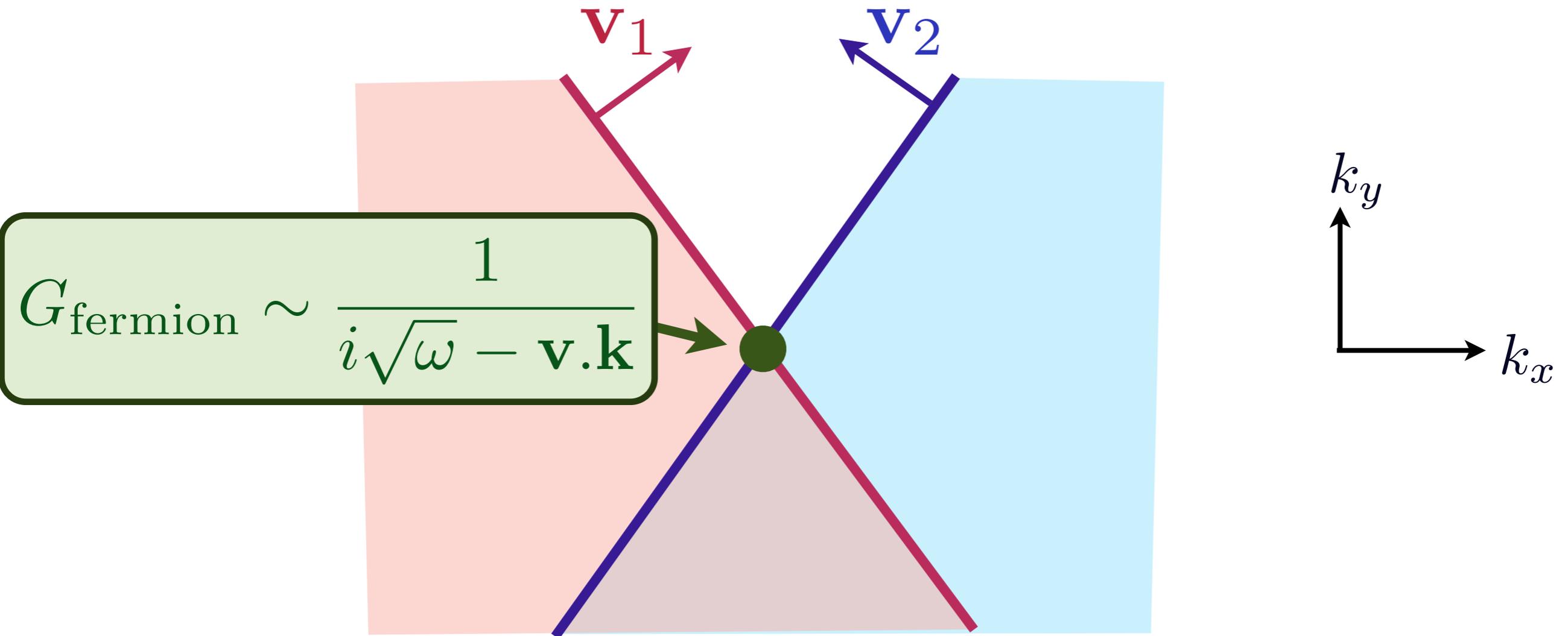
$$\vec{\varphi}' = e^{(d+z-2)\ell/2} \vec{\varphi} \quad ; \quad \psi' = e^{(d+z-1)\ell/2} \psi.$$

Then the Yukawa coupling transforms as

$$\lambda' = e^{(4-d-z)\ell/2} \lambda$$

For  $d = 2$ , with  $z = 2$  the bare time-derivative terms  $\zeta$ ,  $\tilde{\zeta}$  are irrelevant, but the Yukawa coupling is invariant. Thus we have to work at fixed  $\lambda = 1$ , and cannot expand in powers of  $\lambda$ : critical theory is *strongly coupled*.

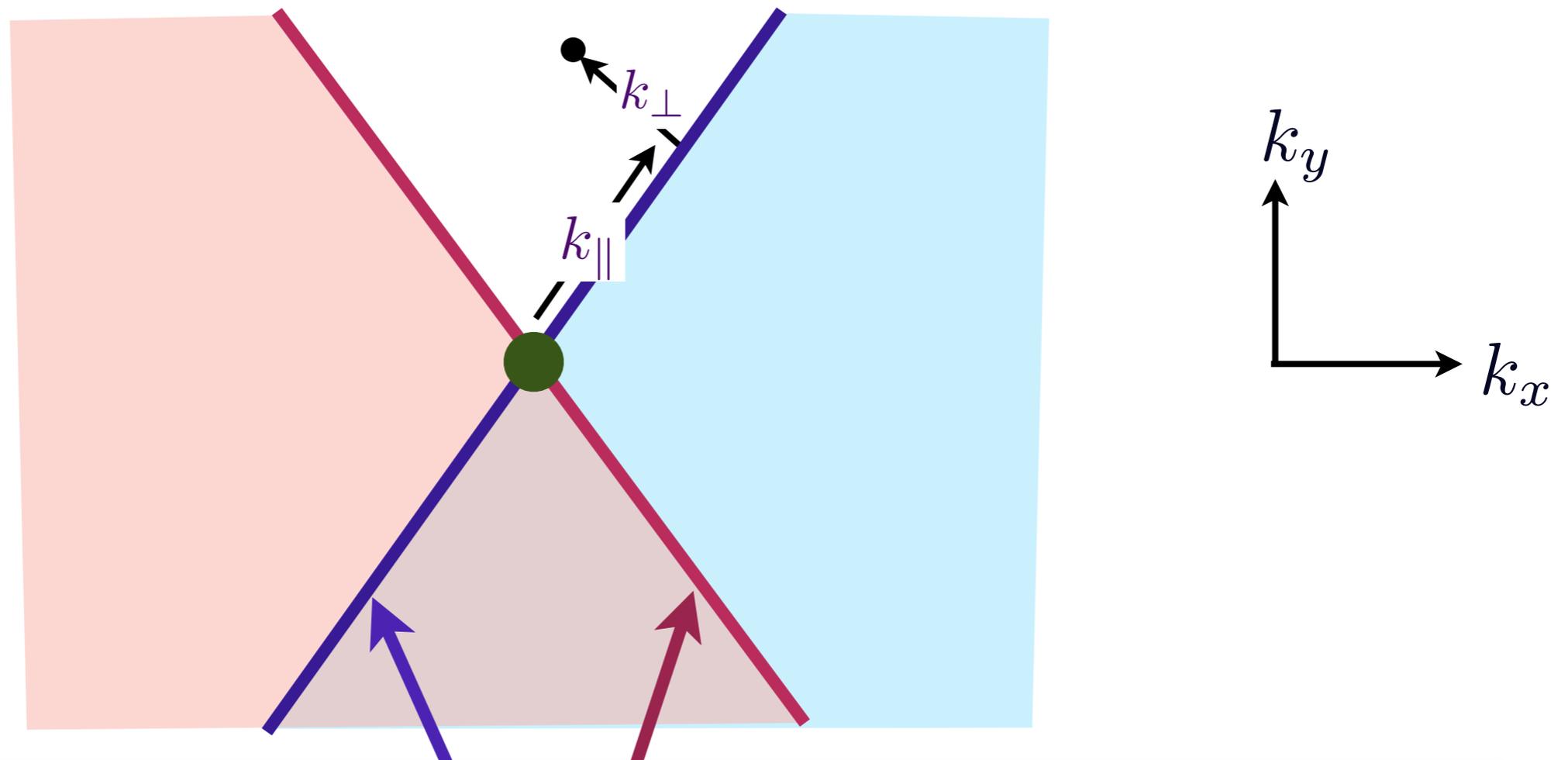
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Introduce the spinors

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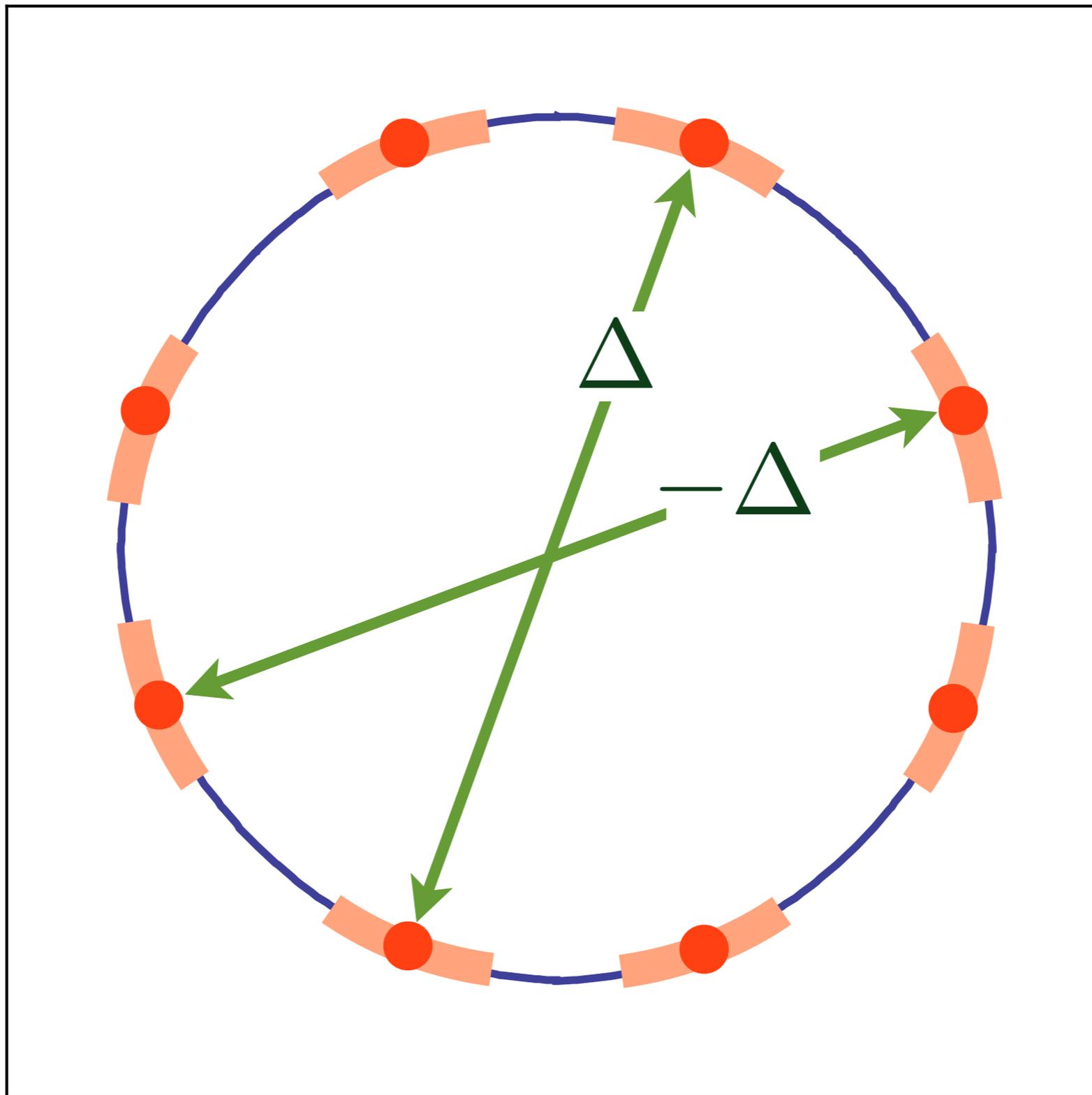
Then the Lagrangian is invariant under the  $SU(2)$  transformation  $U$  with

$$\Psi_1 \rightarrow U \Psi_1, \quad \Psi_2 \rightarrow U \Psi_2$$

Note that  $U$  can be chosen *independently* at the 4 pairs of hotspots.

This symmetry relies on the linearization of the fermion dispersion about the hot spots.

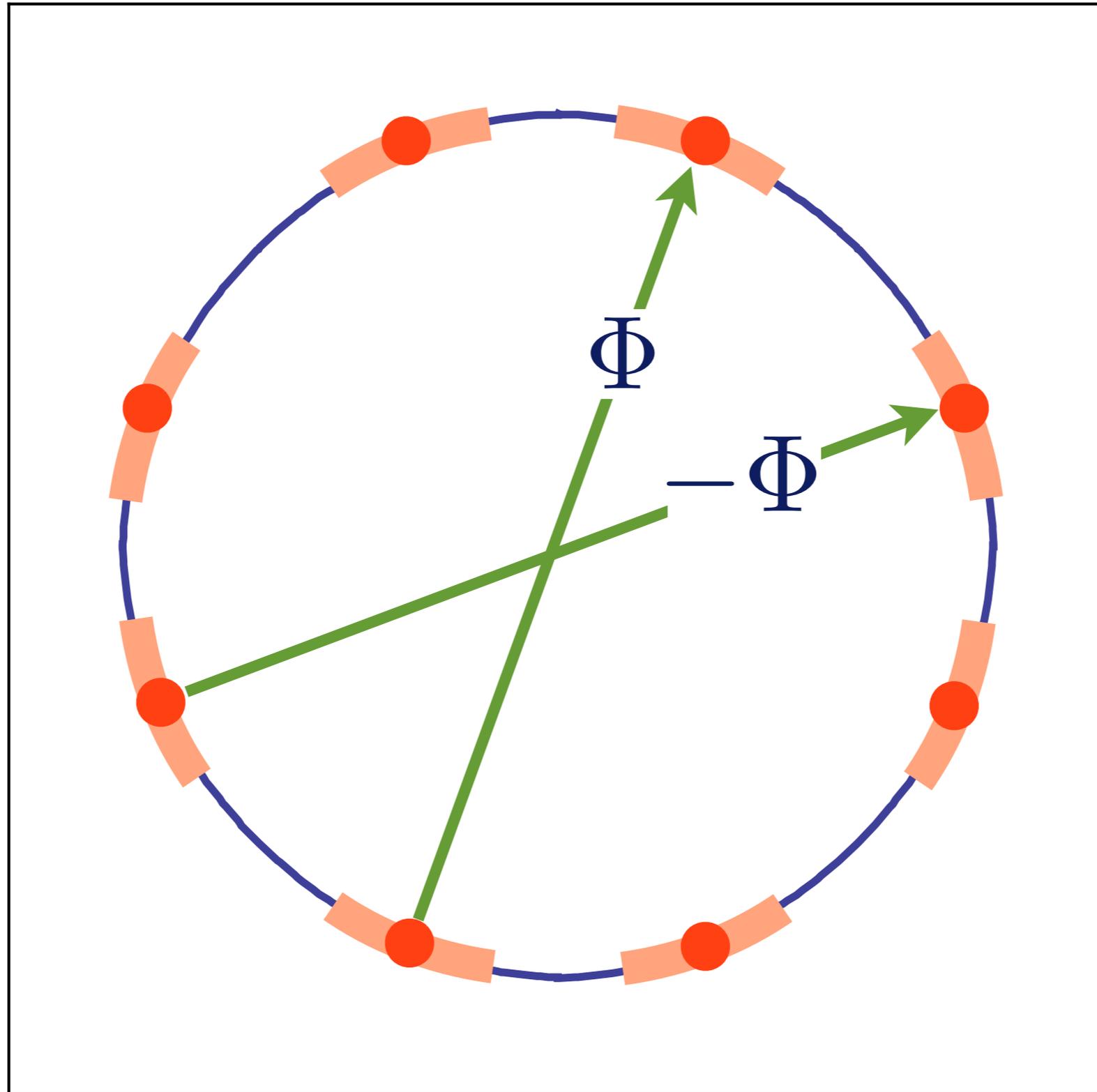
$$\langle c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}^\dagger c_{-\mathbf{k}\beta}^\dagger \rangle = \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta} \Delta (\cos k_x - \cos k_y)$$



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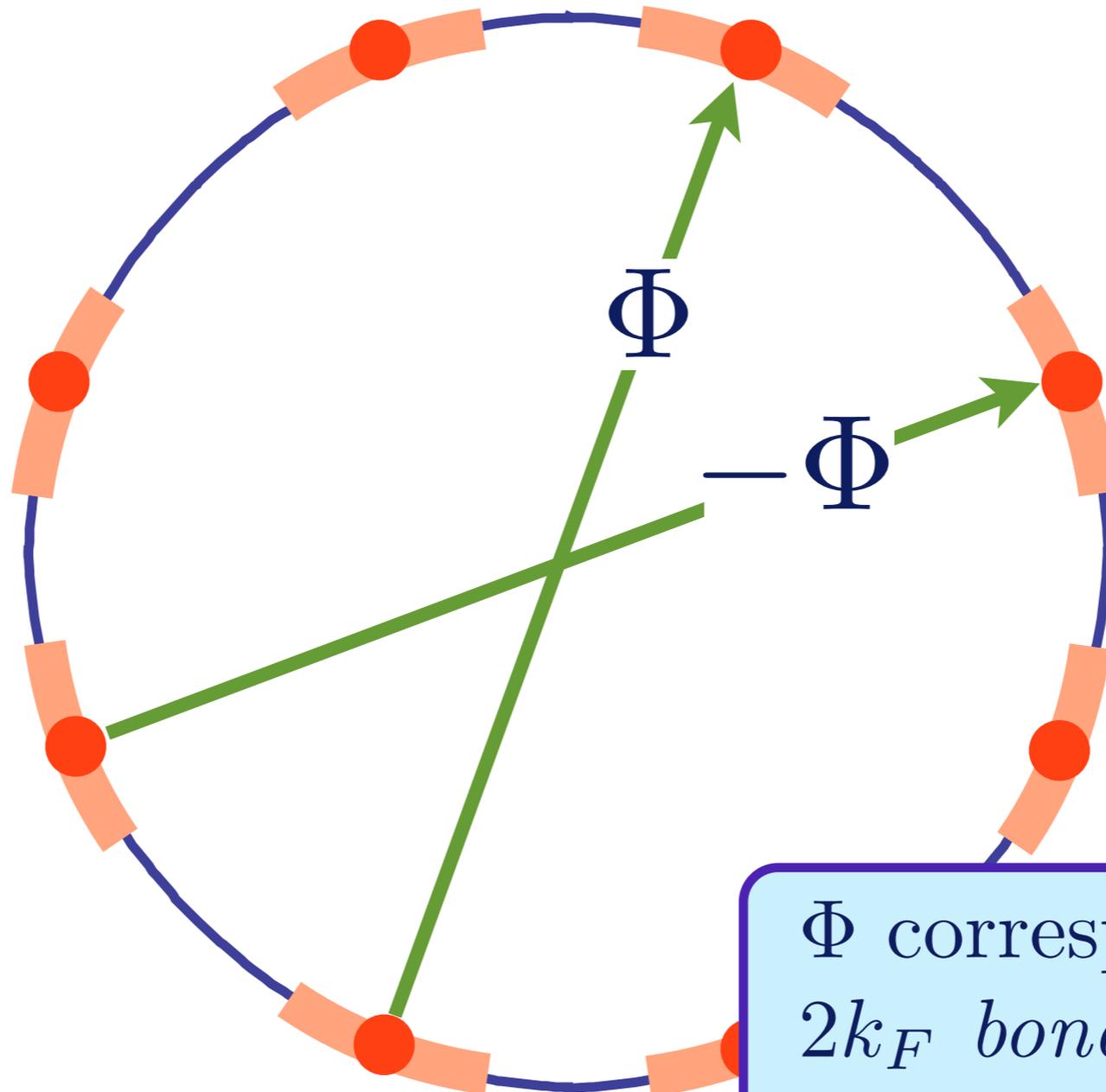
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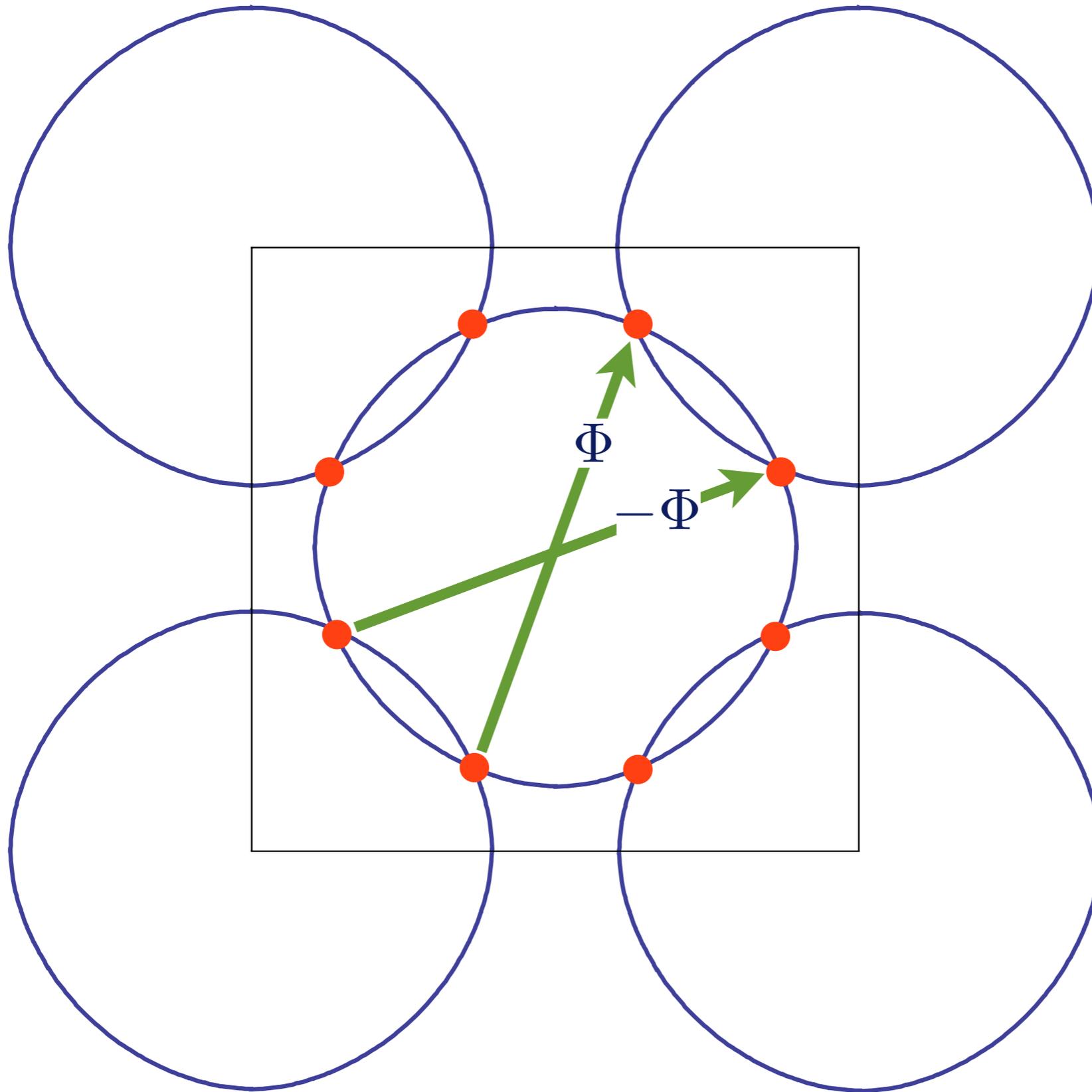
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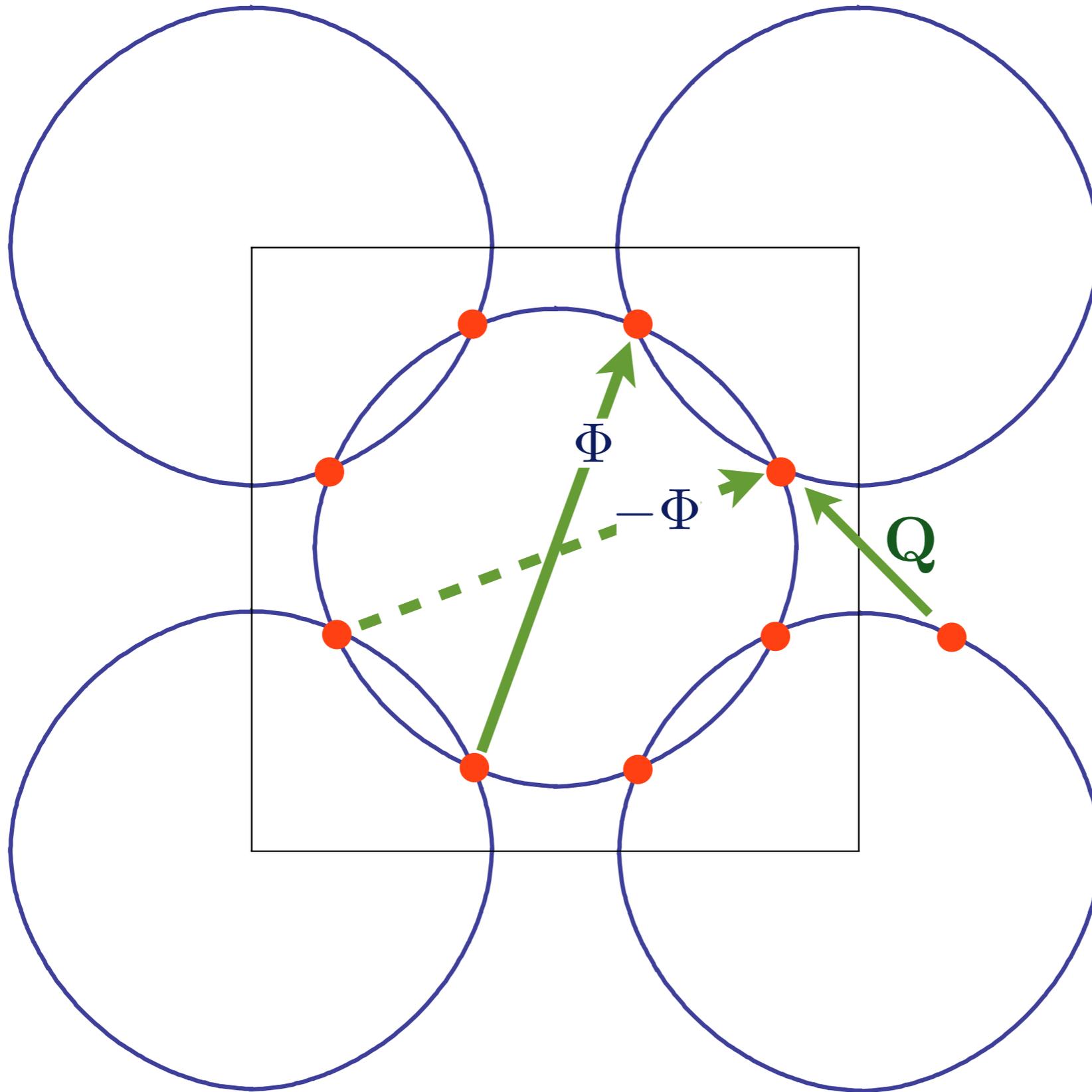
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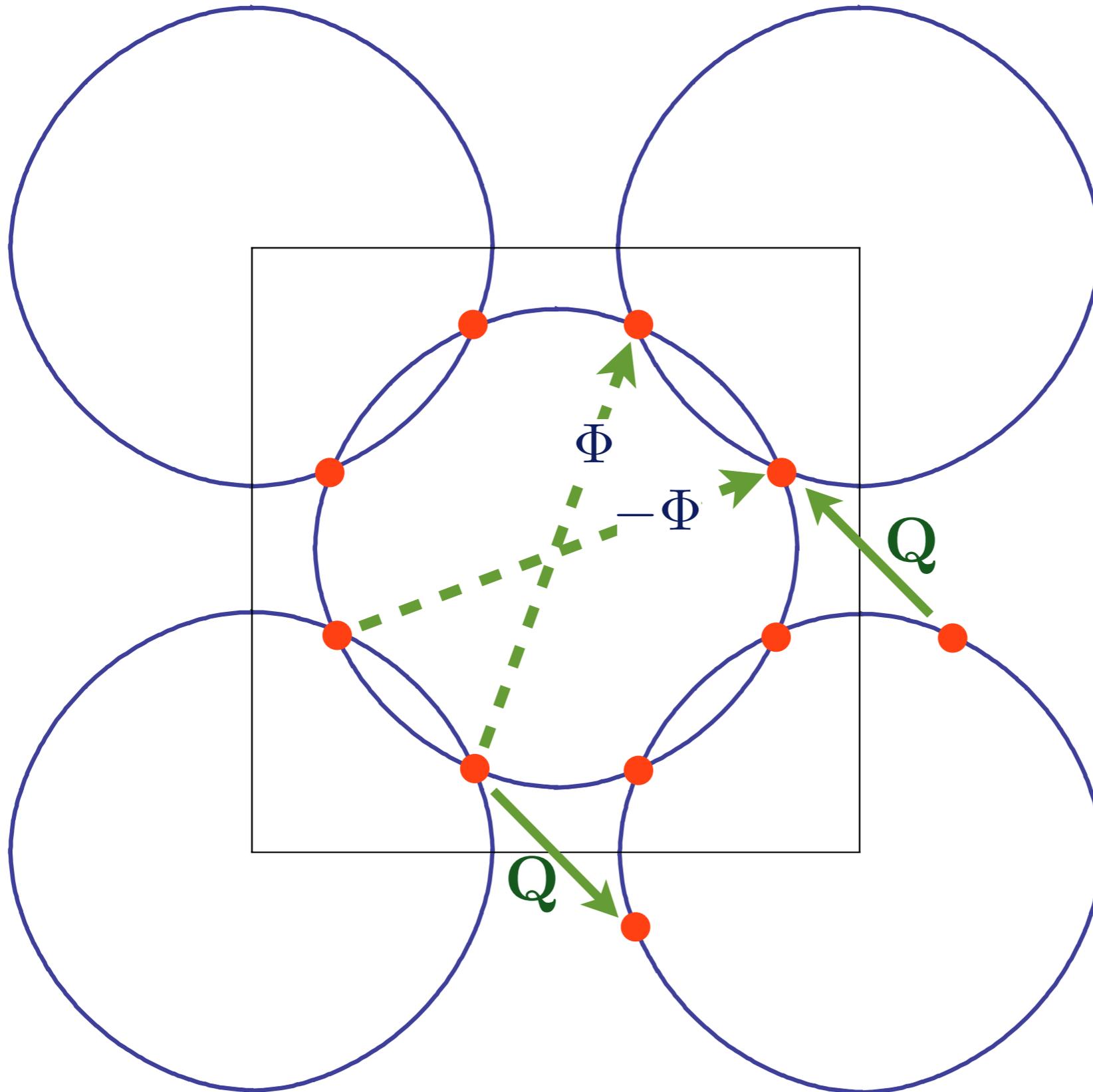
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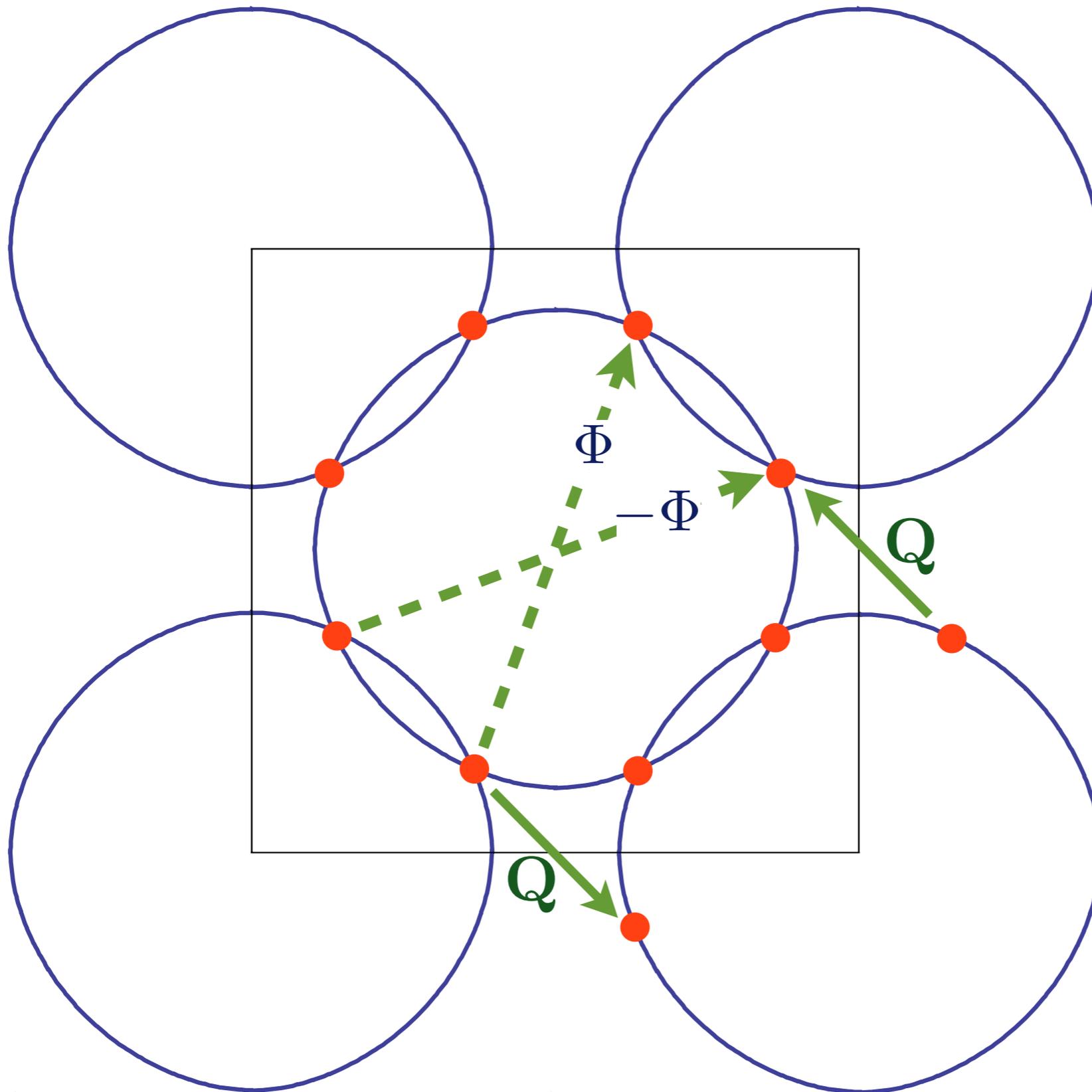
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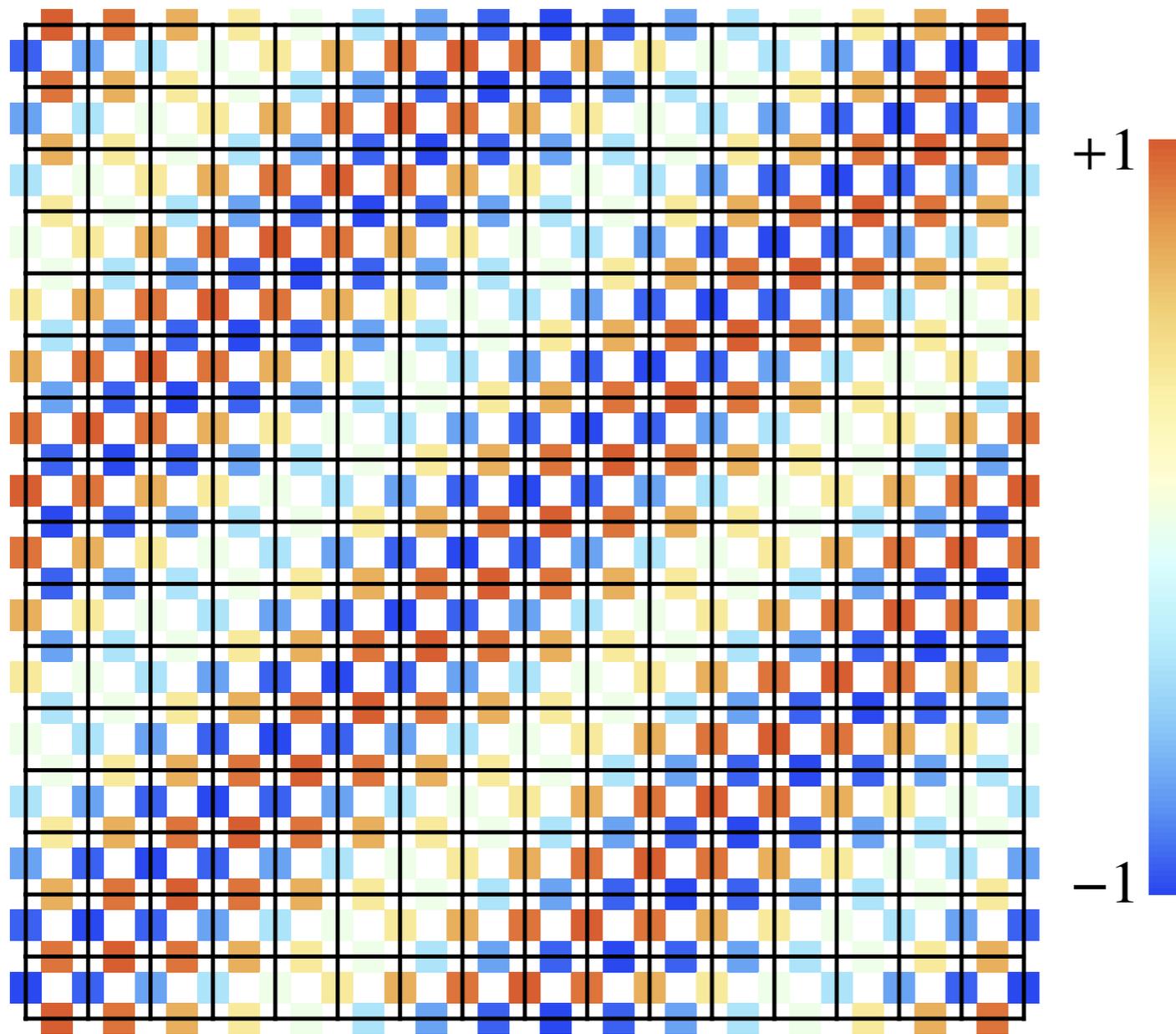


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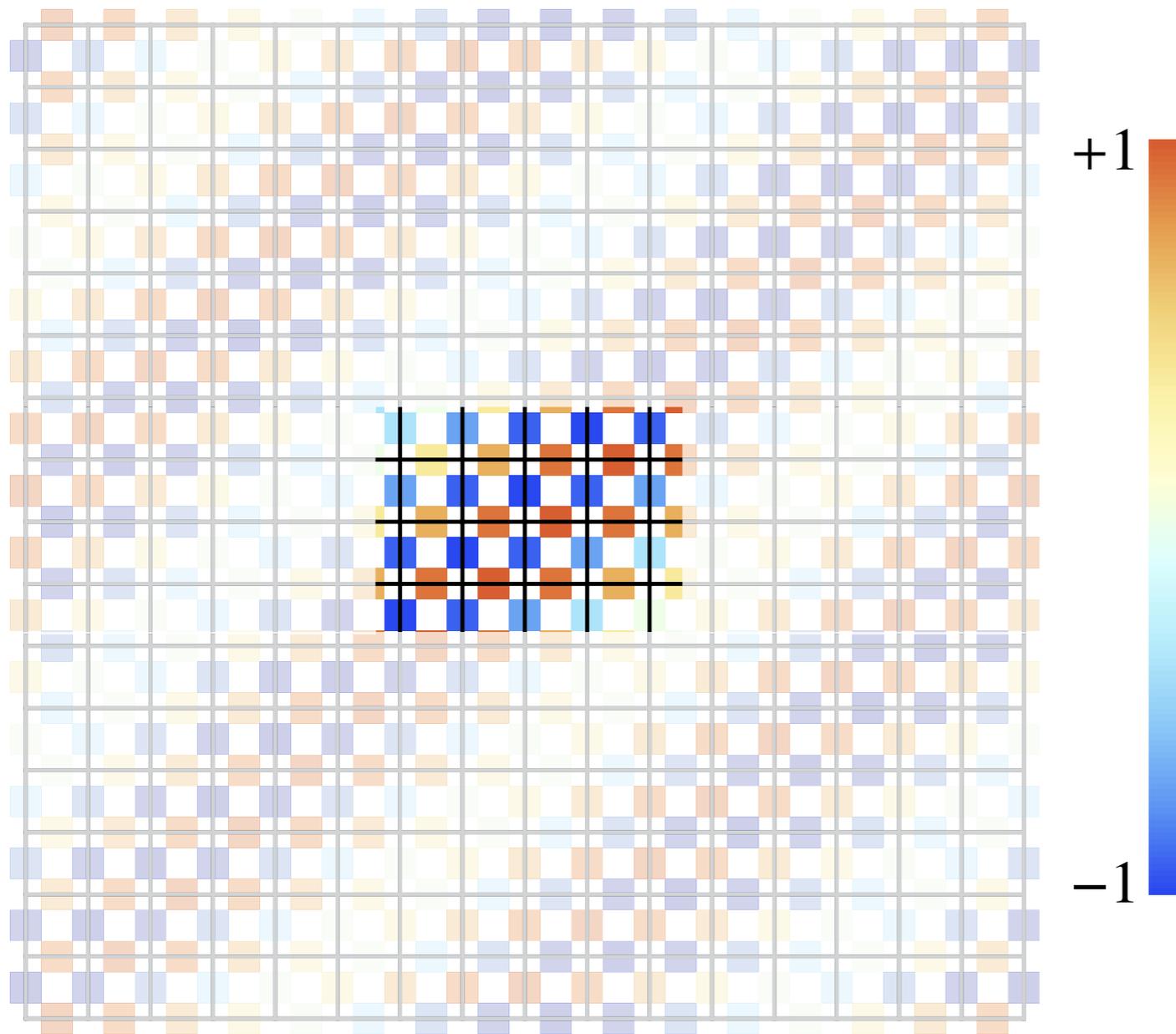


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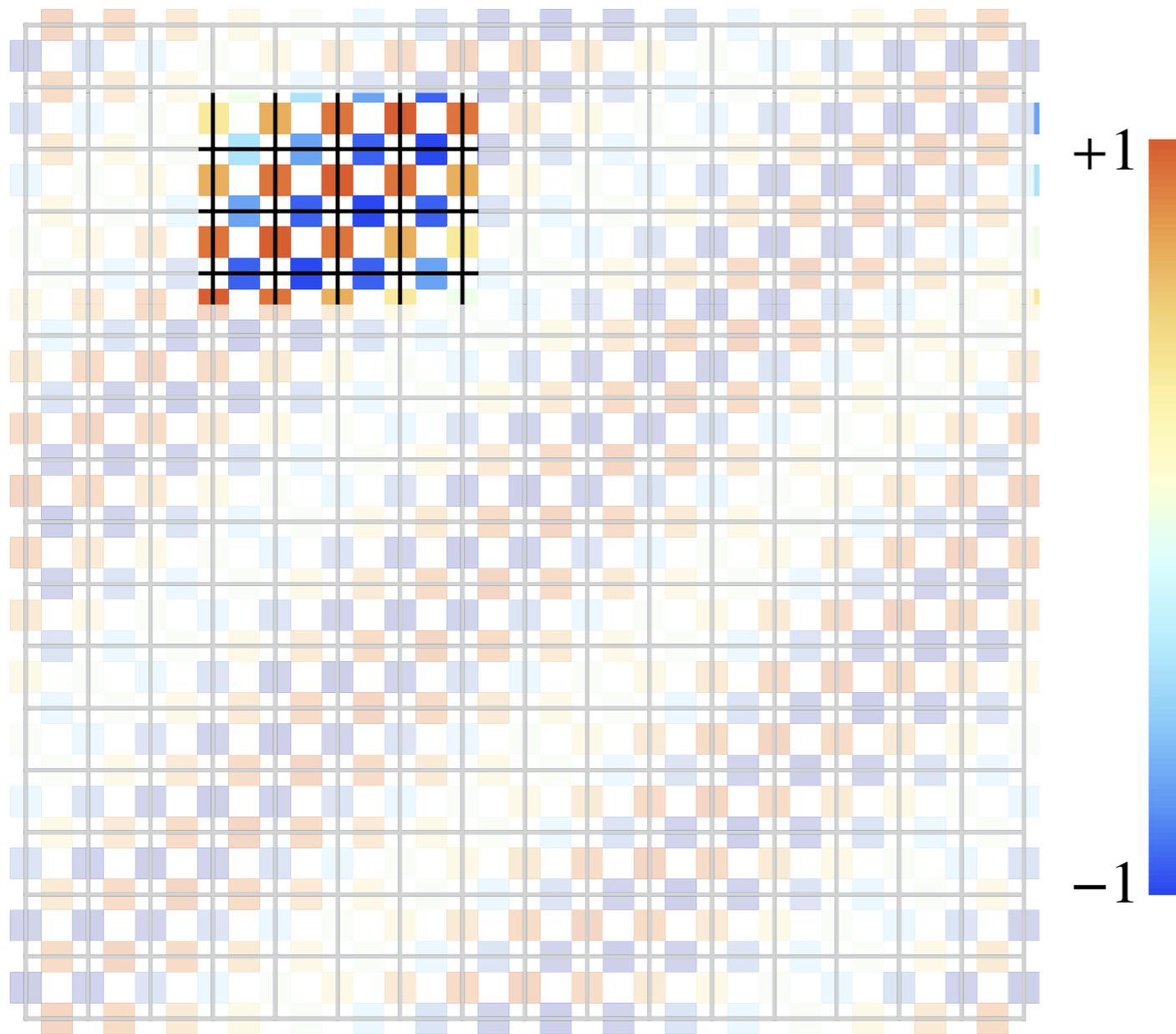


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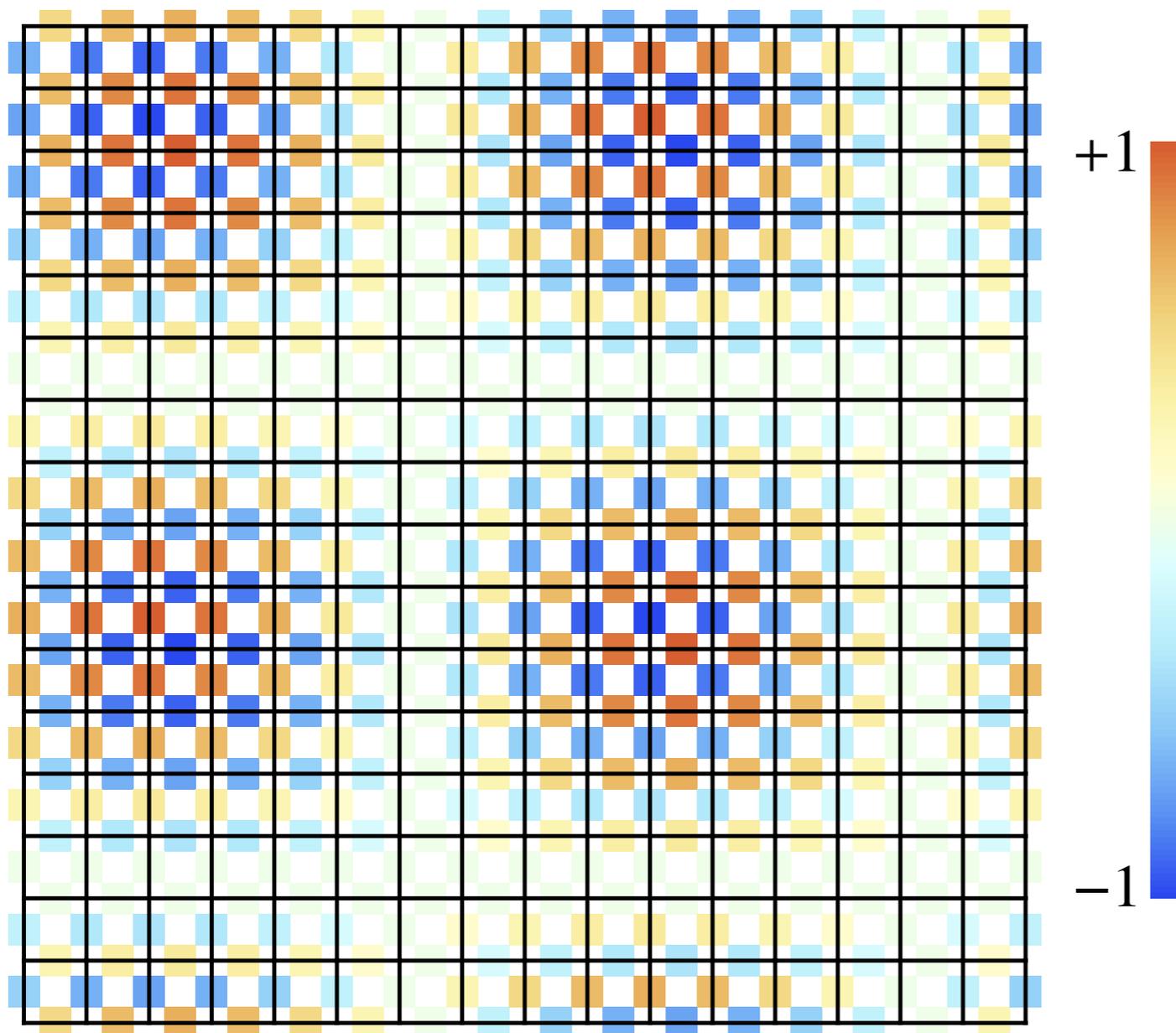


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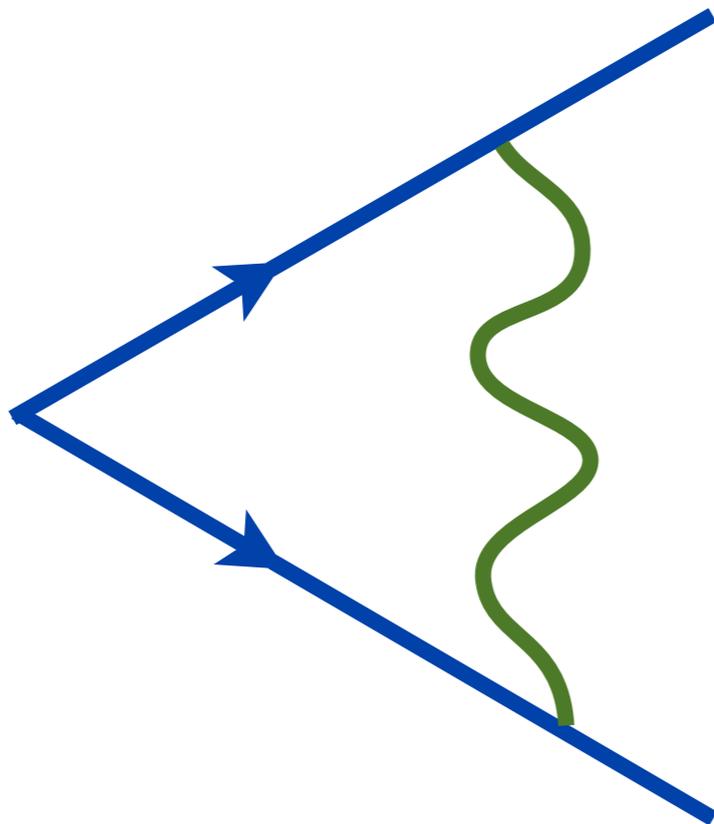
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## BCS theory

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Cooper  
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Electron-phonon  
coupling

Debye  
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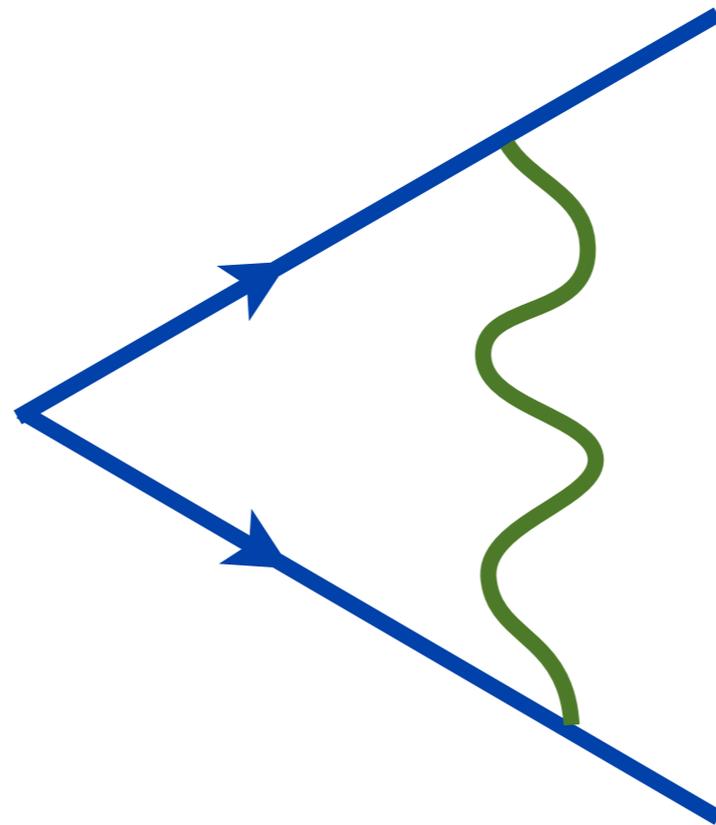
Implies

$$T_c \sim \omega_D \exp(-1/\lambda)$$

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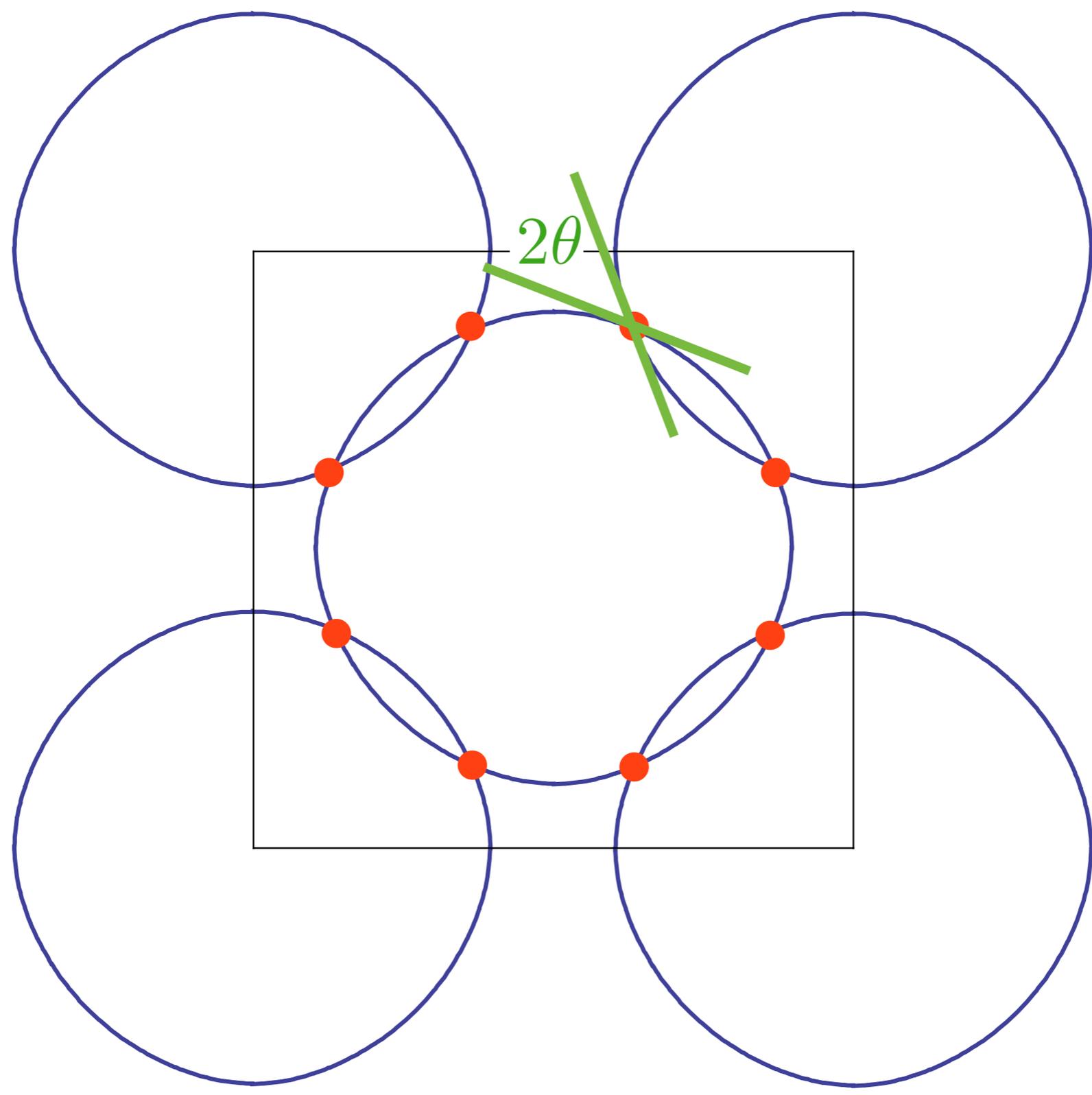
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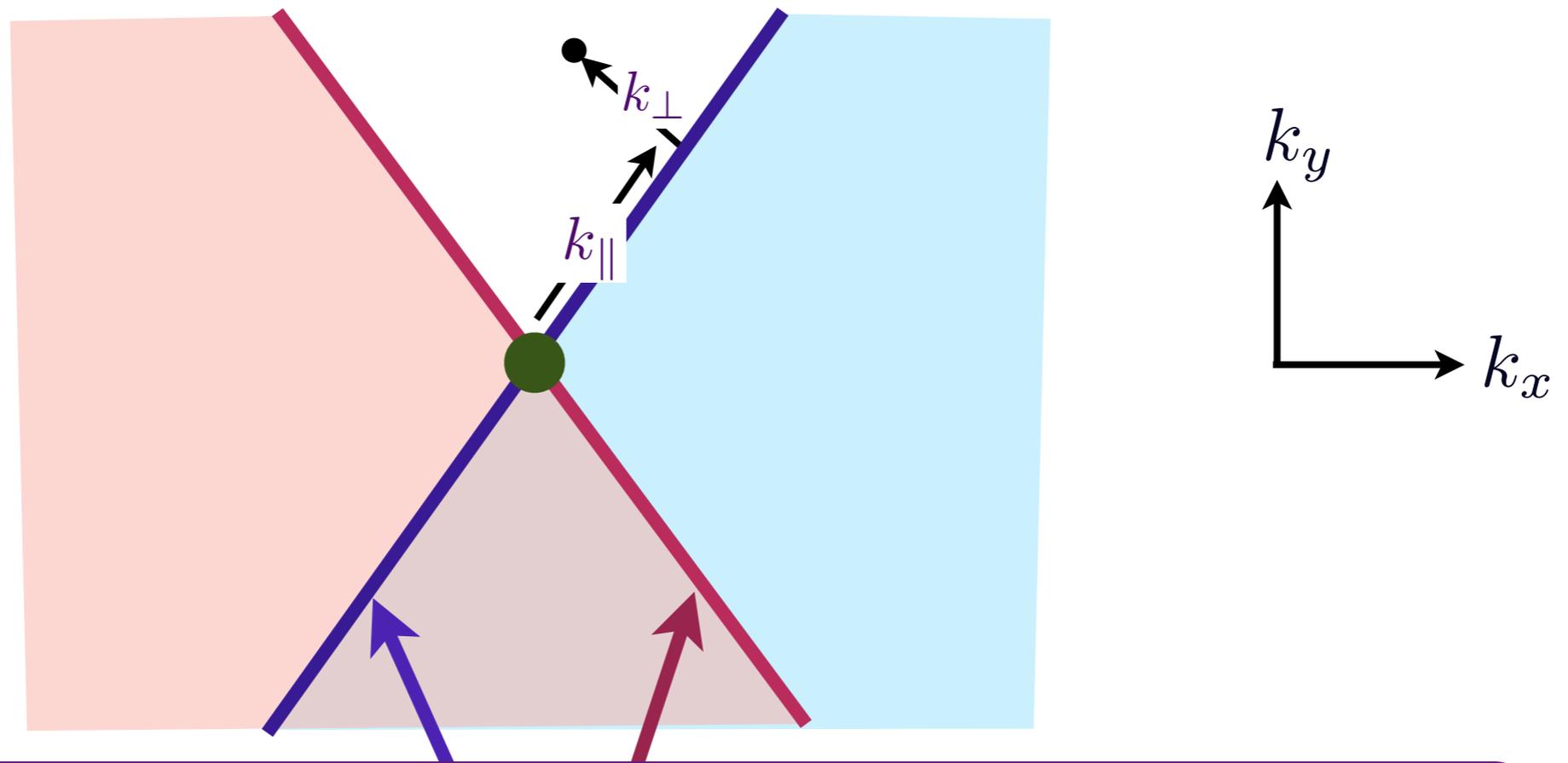
Fermi energy

$\alpha = \tan \theta$ , where  $2\theta$  is the angle between Fermi lines.  
Independent of interaction strength  $U$  in 2 dimensions.

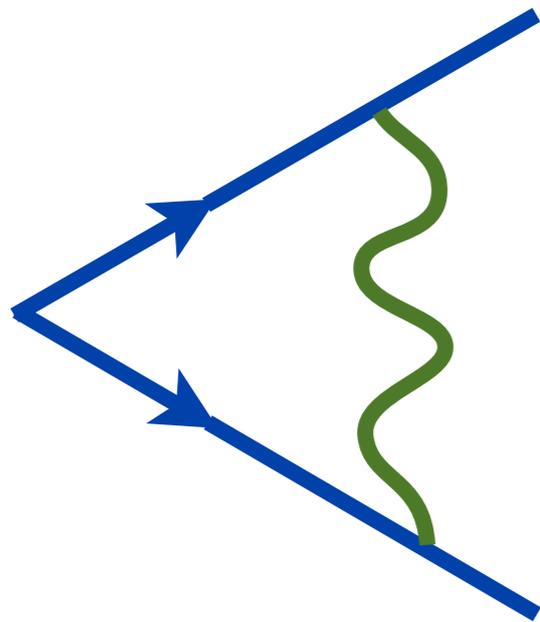
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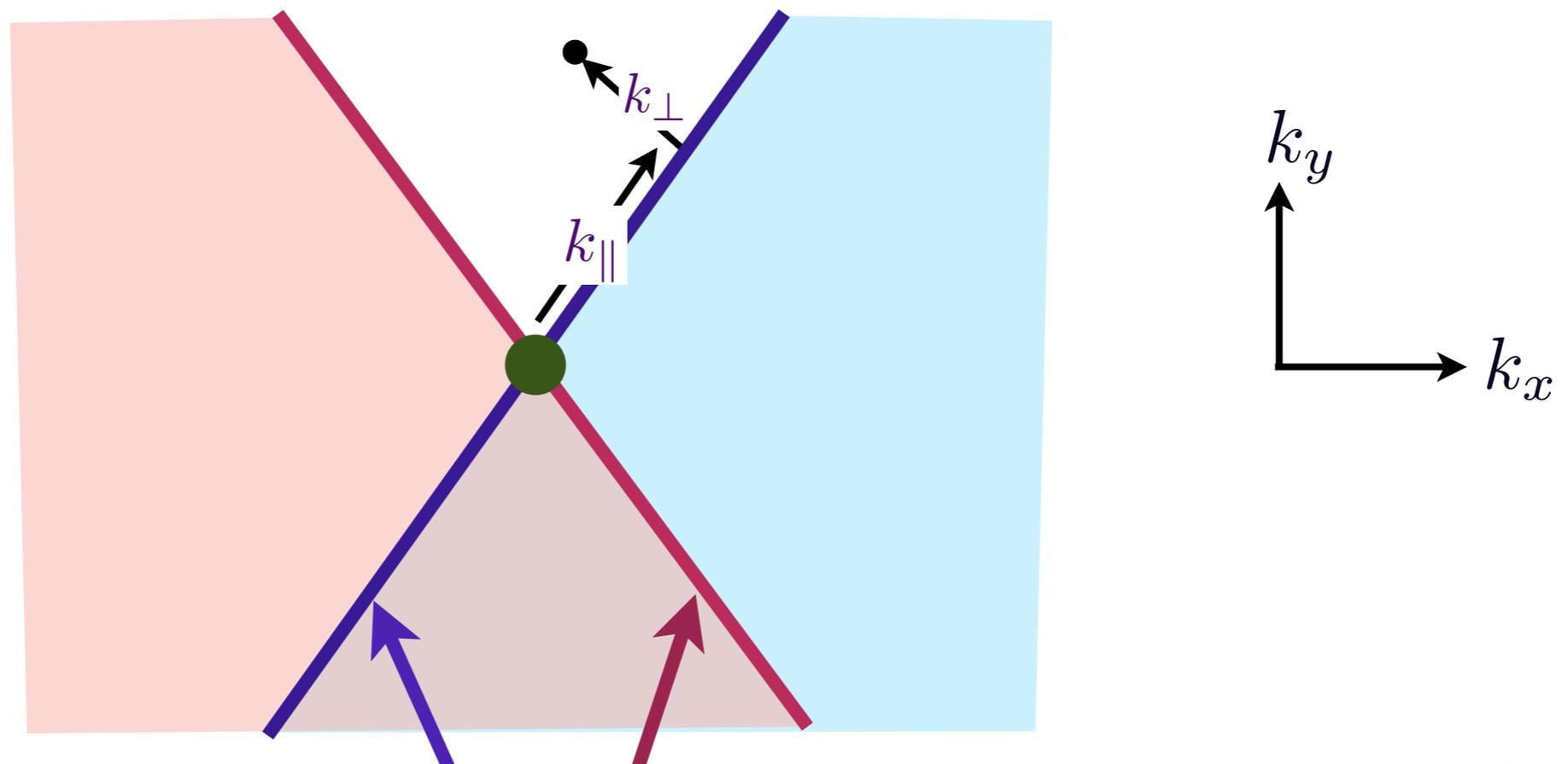


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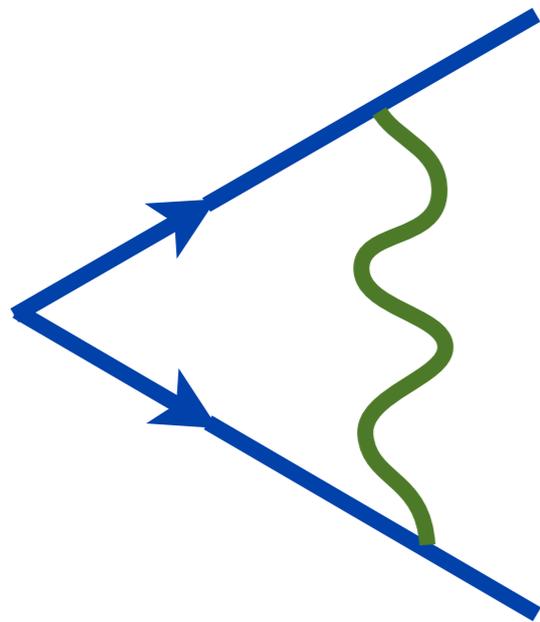


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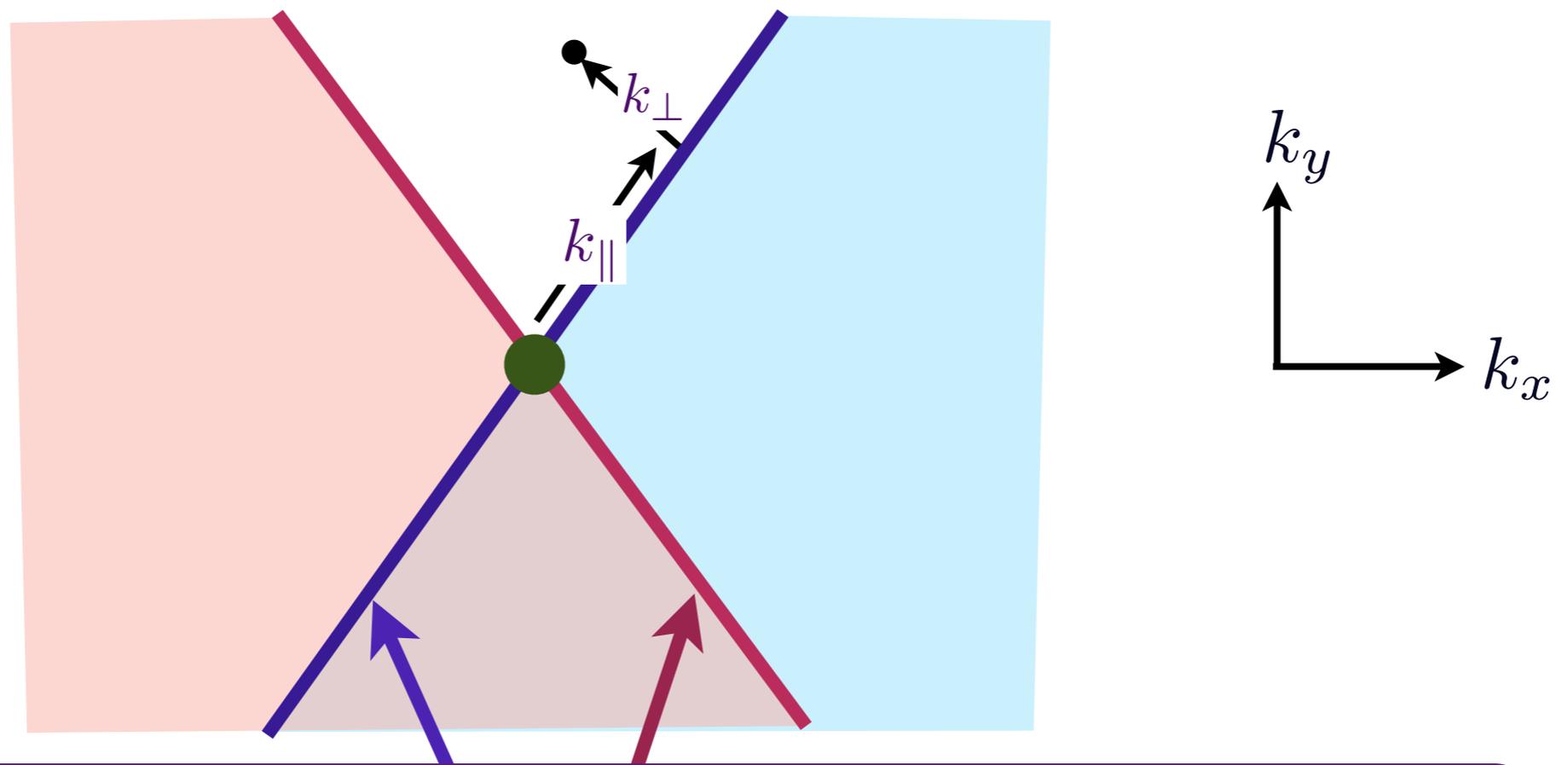
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Spin fluctuation propagator

Cooper logarithm

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- $\log^2$  singularity arises from Fermi lines; singularity *at* hot spots is weaker.
- Interference between BCS and quantum-critical logs.
- Momentum dependence of self-energy is crucial.
- Not suppressed by  $1/N$  factor in  $1/N$  expansion.

# Enhancement of $\Phi$ susceptibility by interactions

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- Emergent pseudospin symmetry of low energy theory also induces  $\log^2$  in a single “*d-wave*” particle-hole channel. Fermi-surface curvature reduces prefactor by 1/3.
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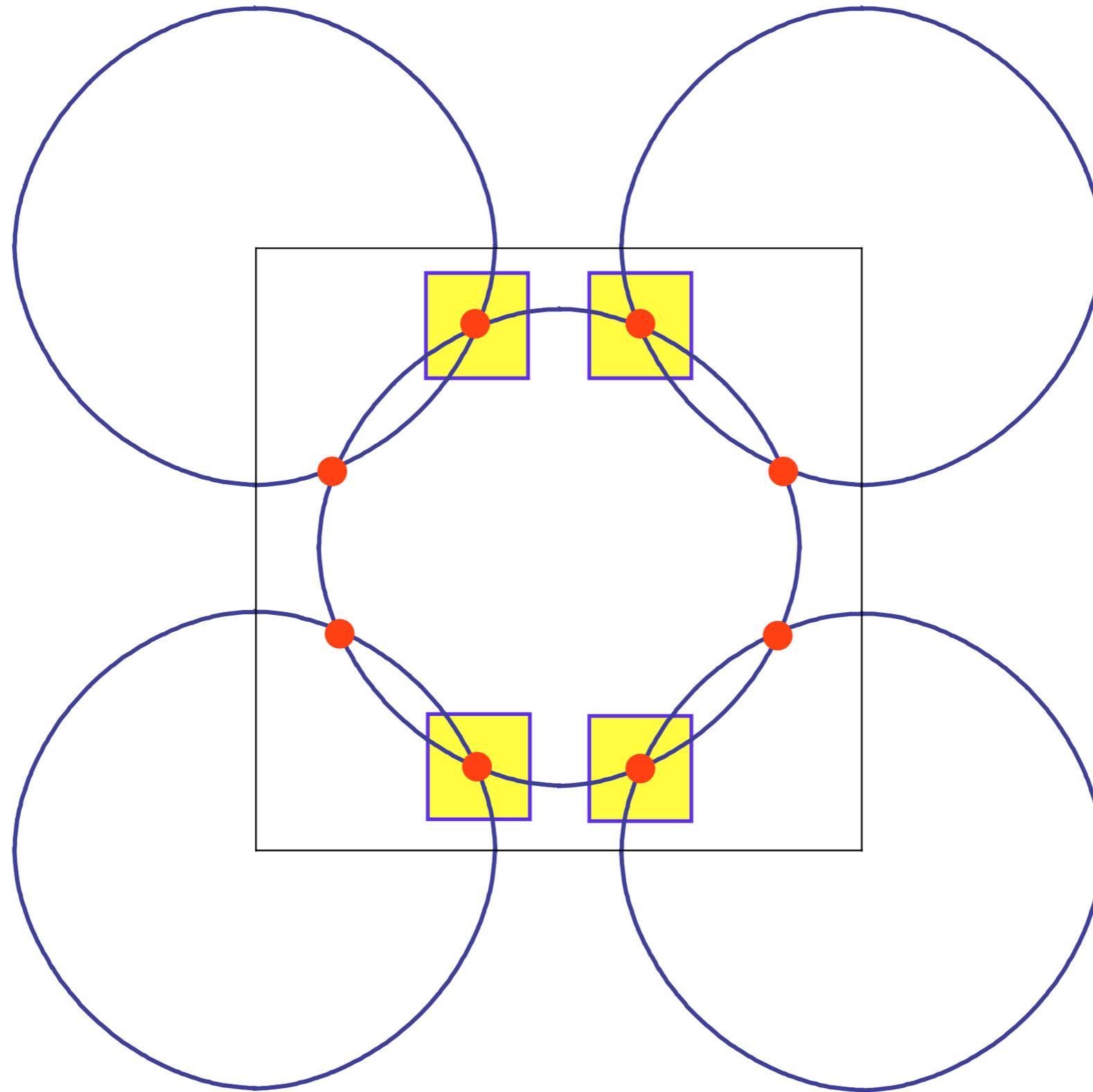
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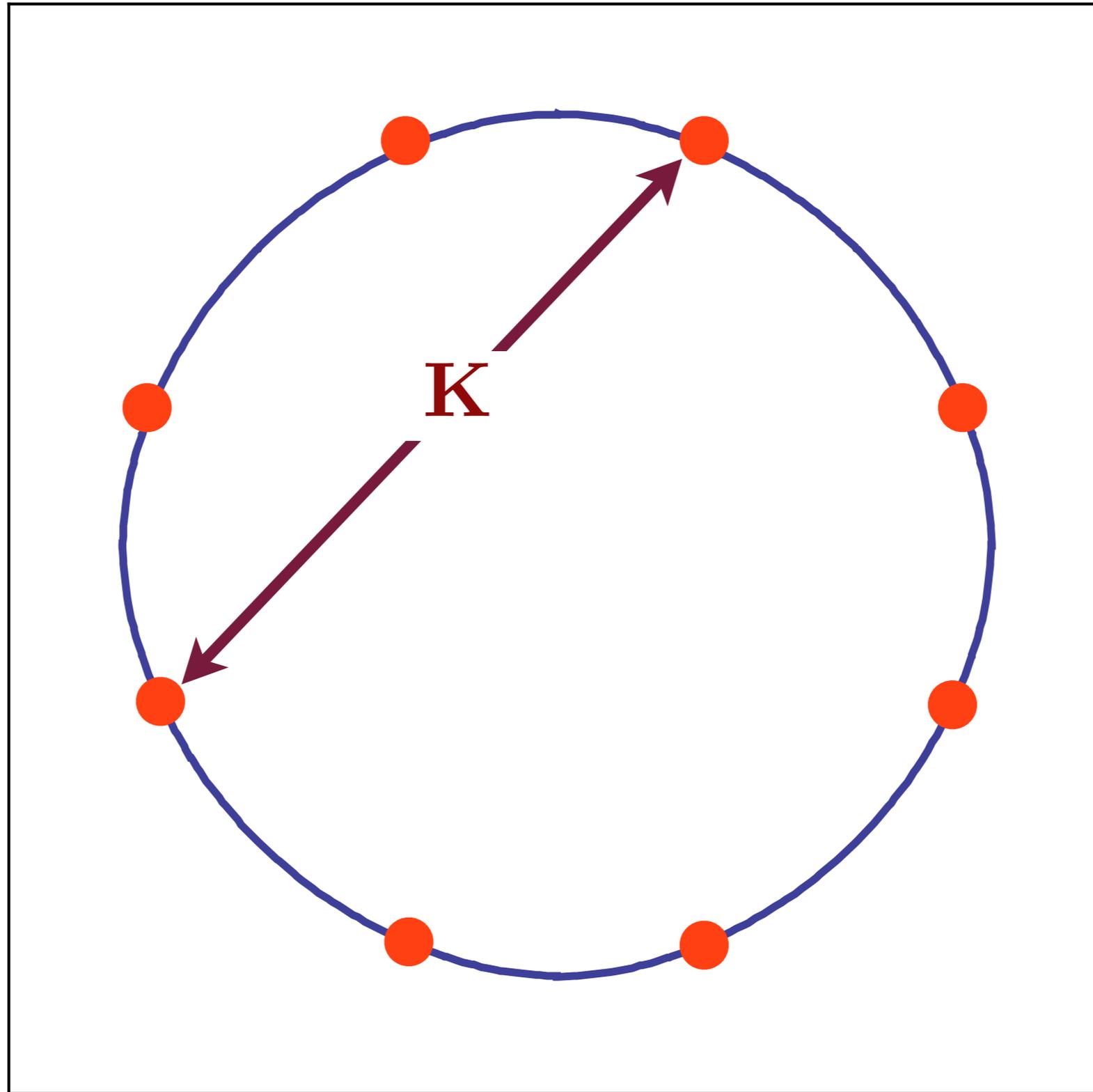
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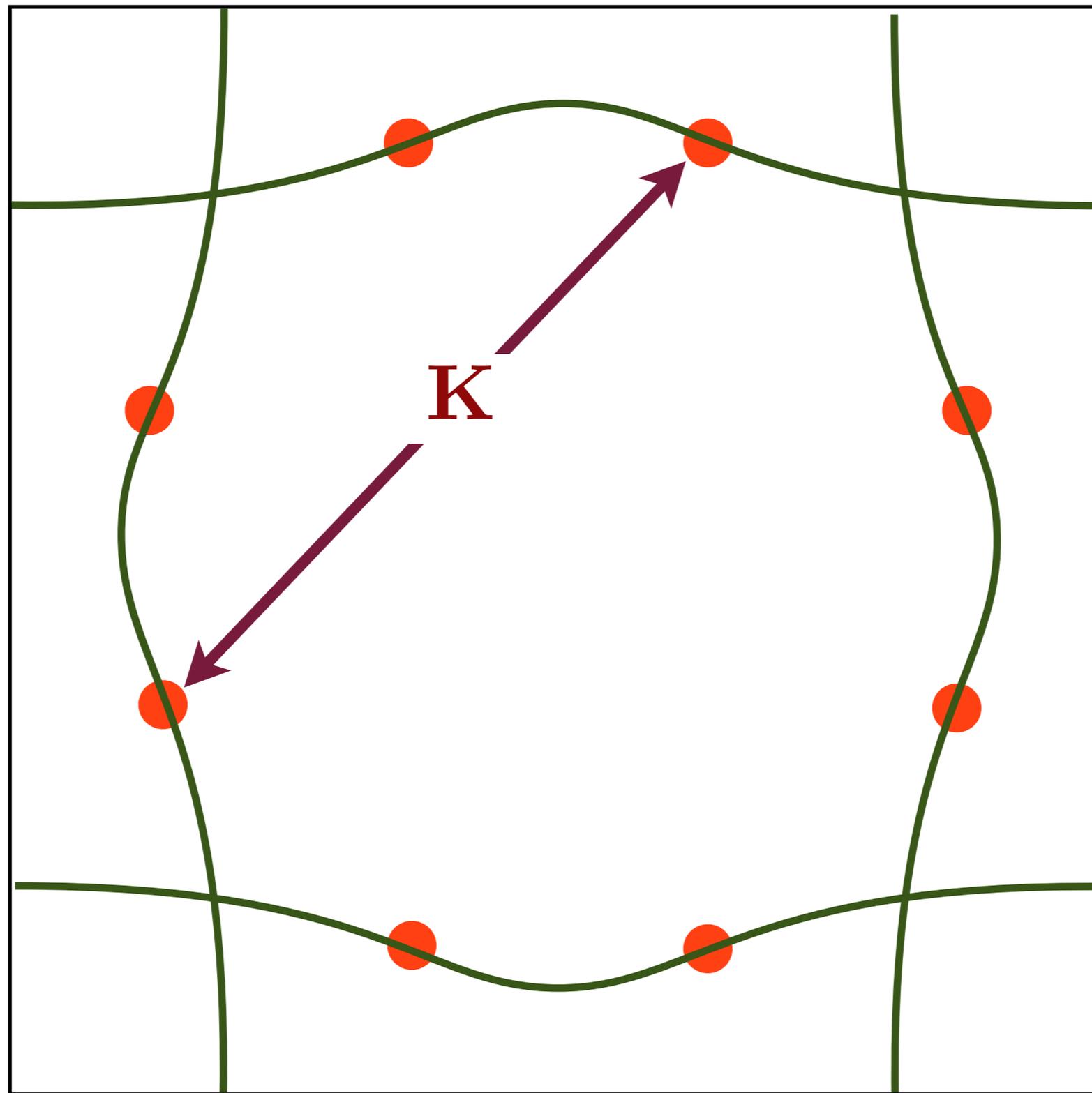
**Low energy theory for critical point near hot spots**

# QMC for the onset of antiferromagnetism



Hot spots in a single band model

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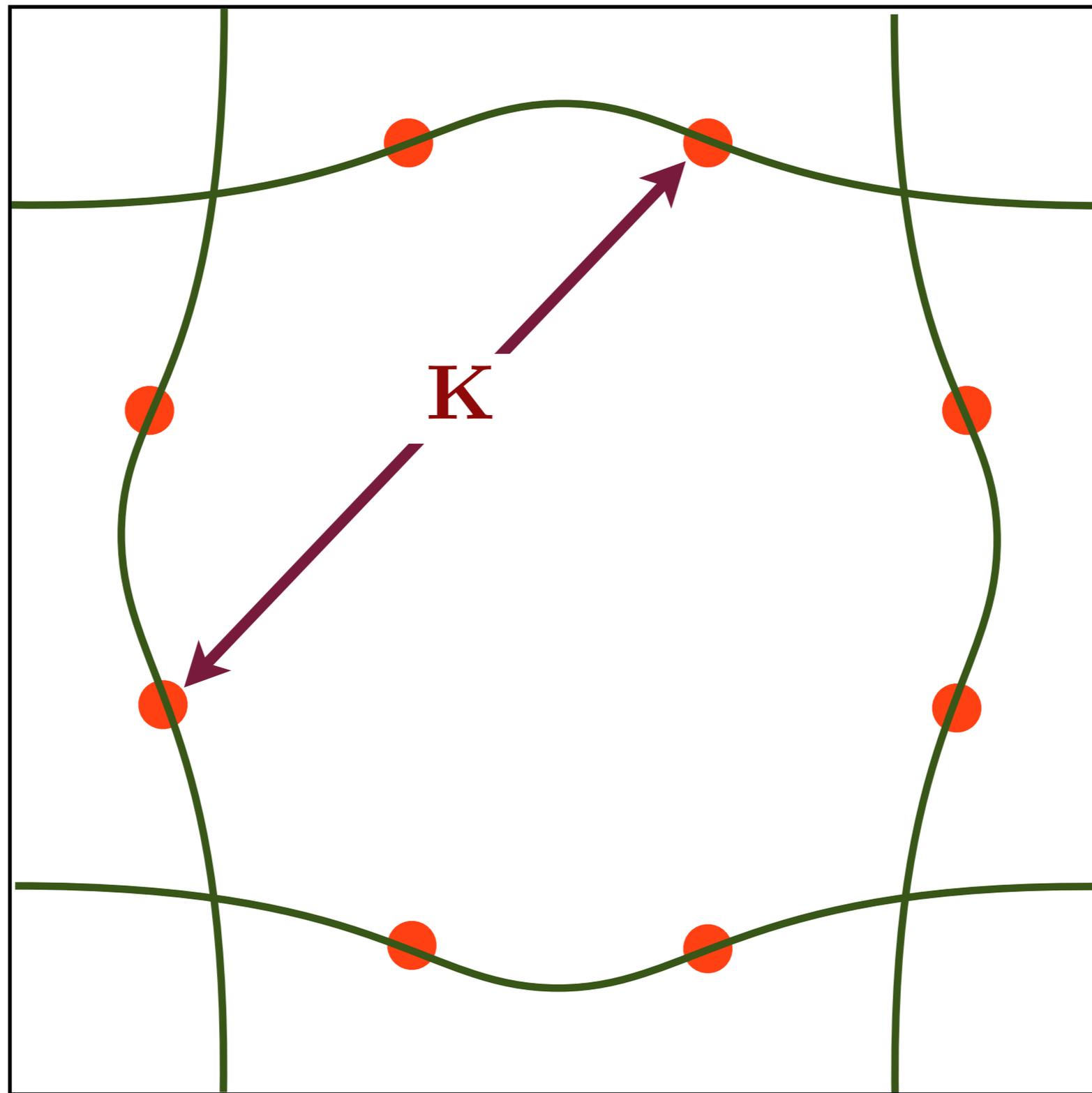


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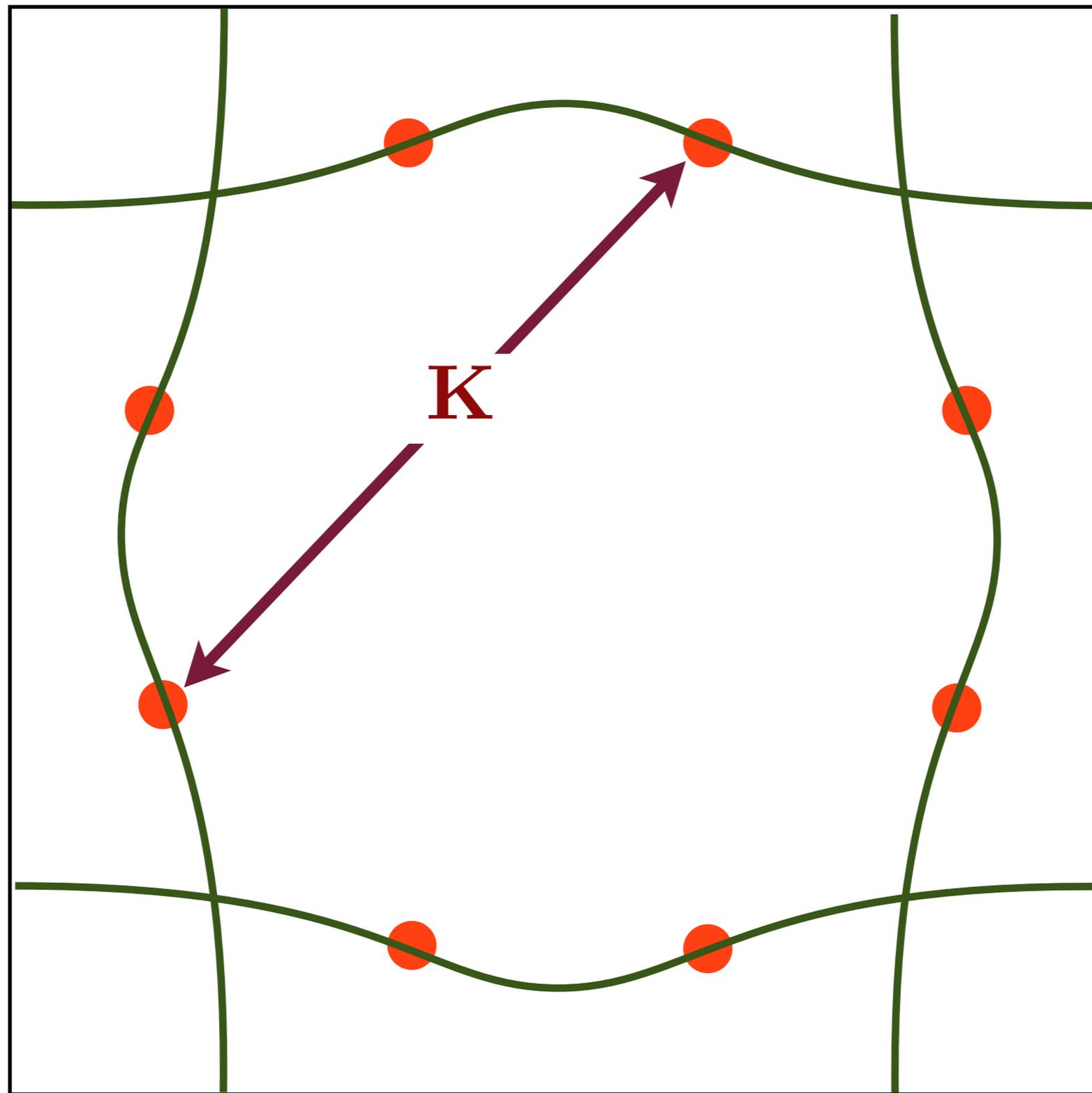
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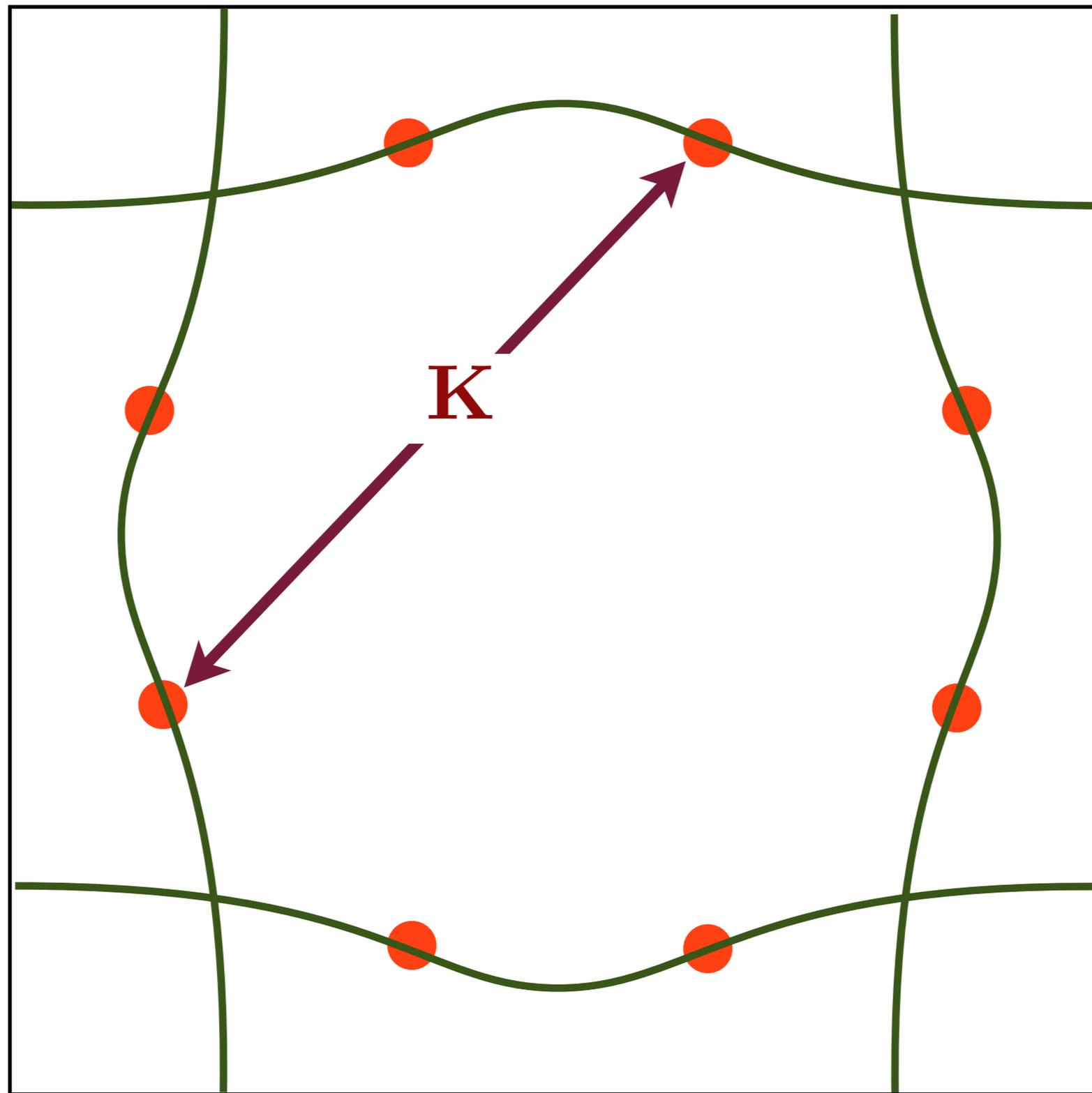


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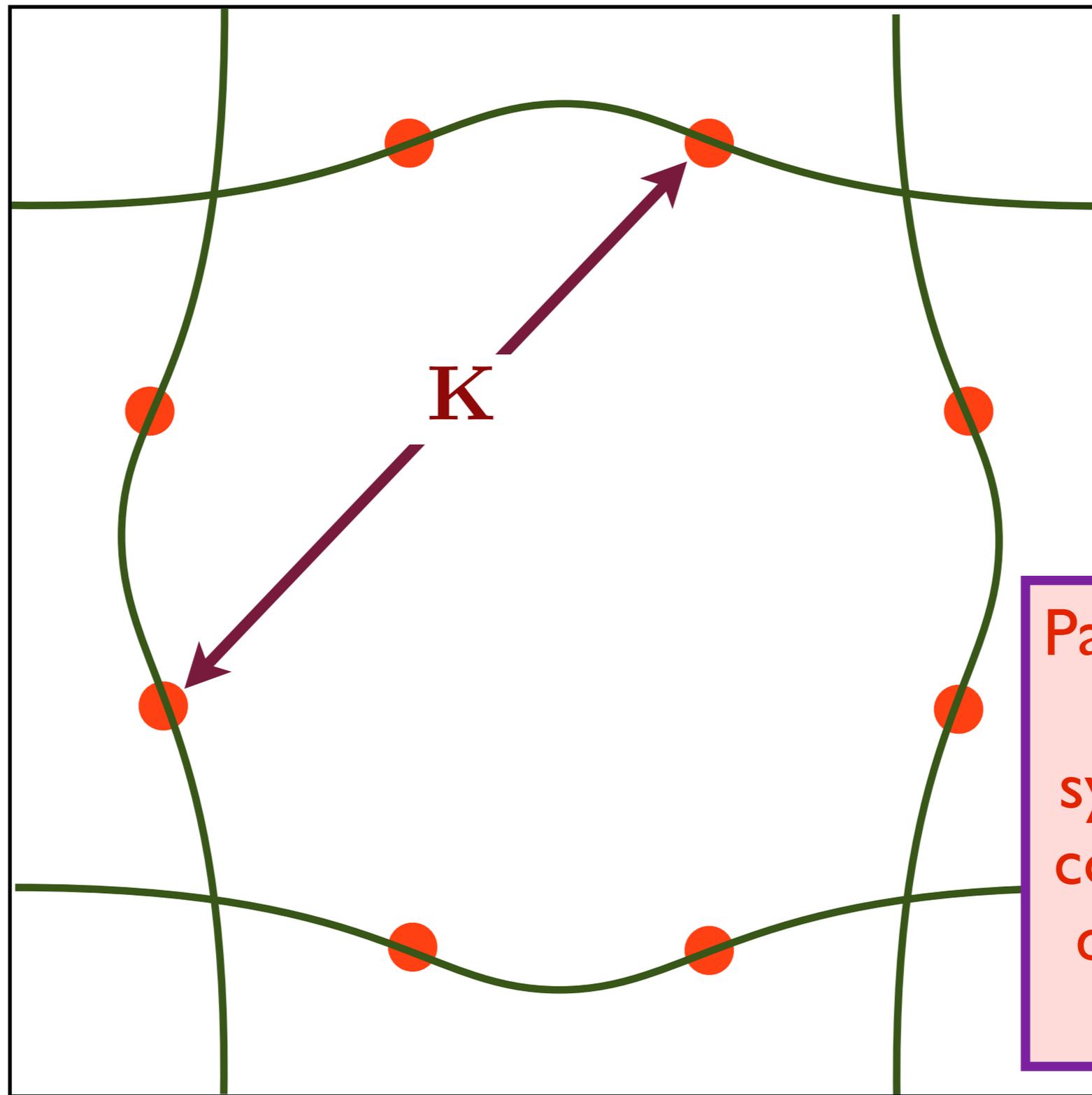


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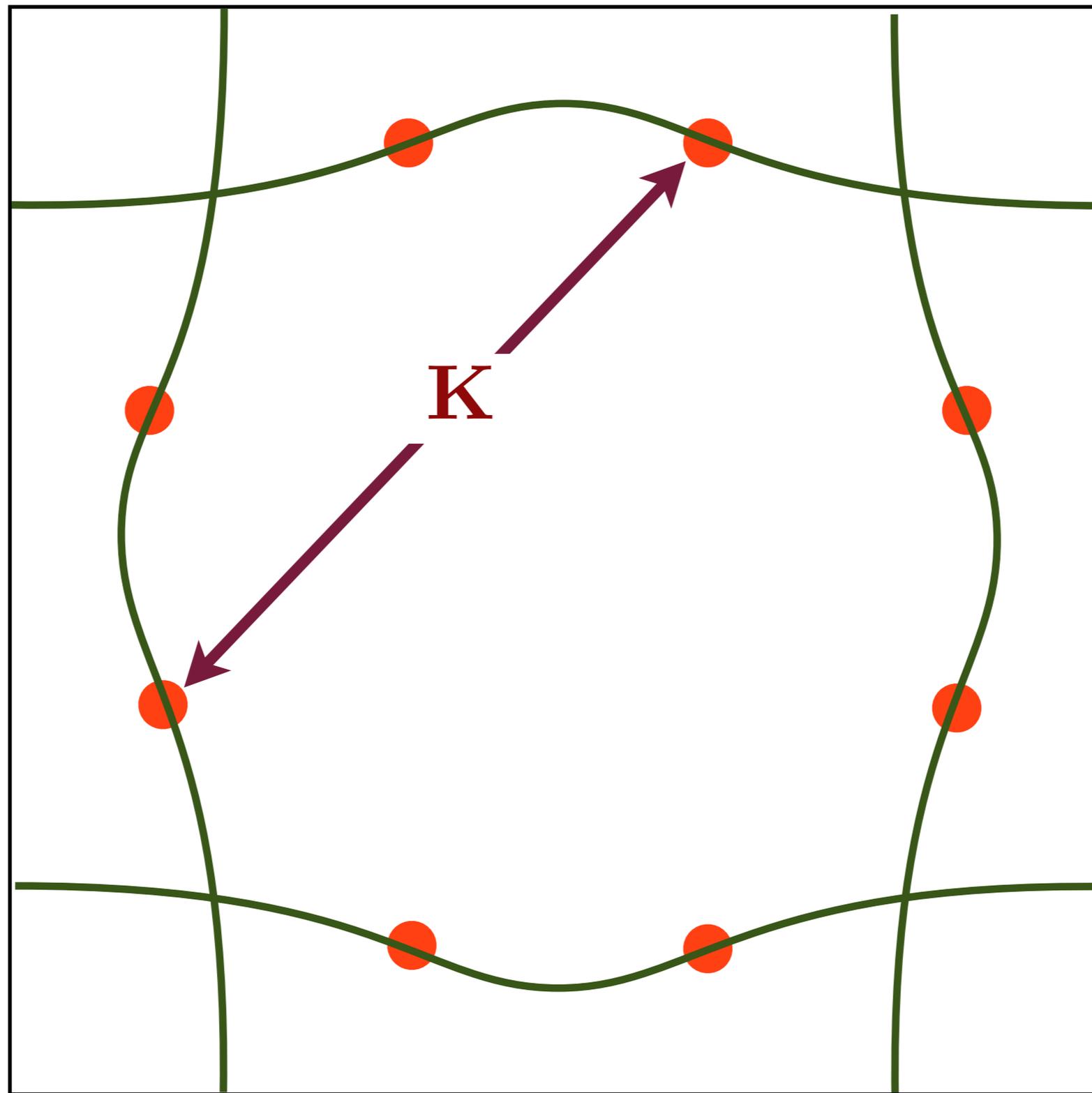
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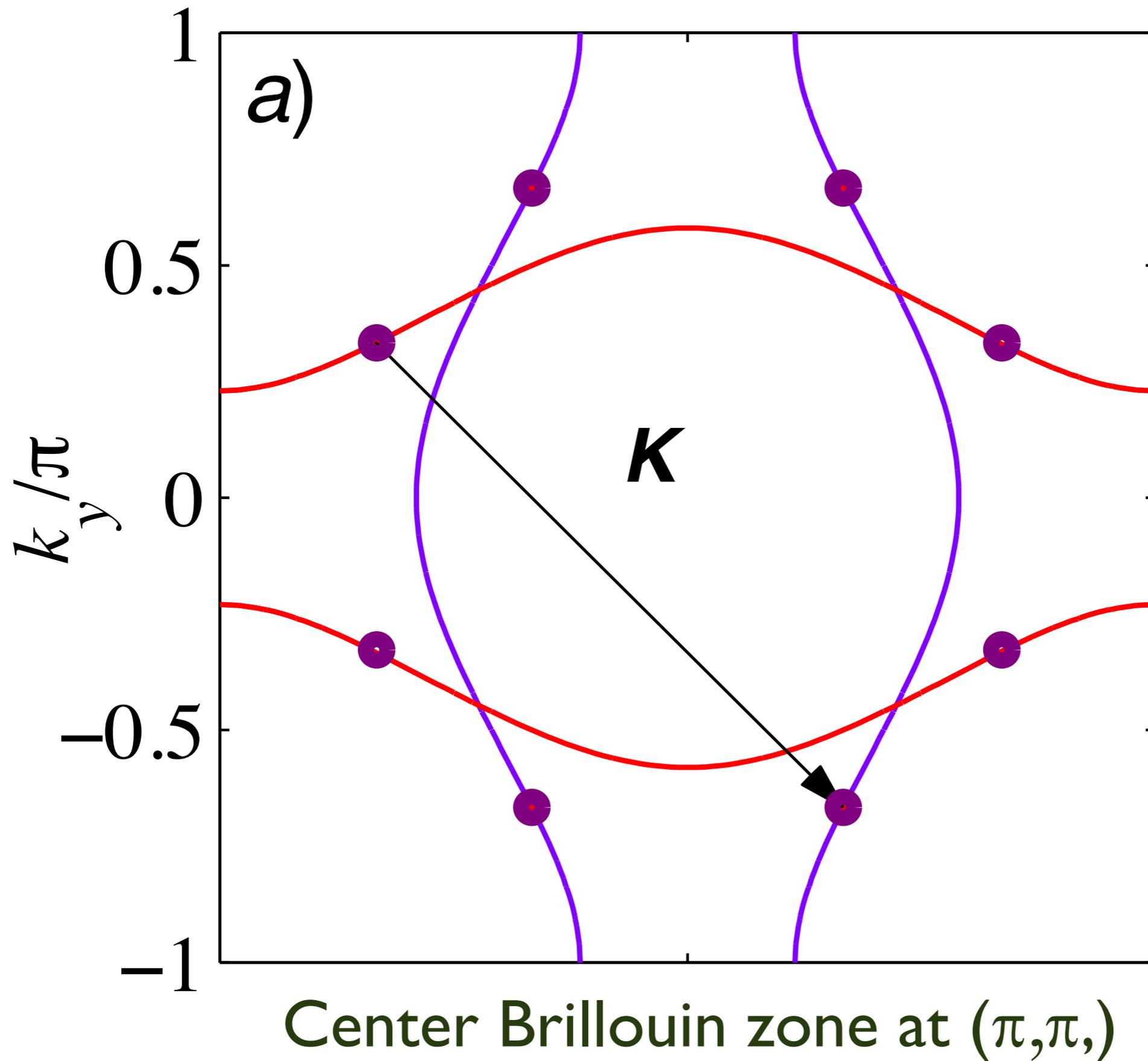
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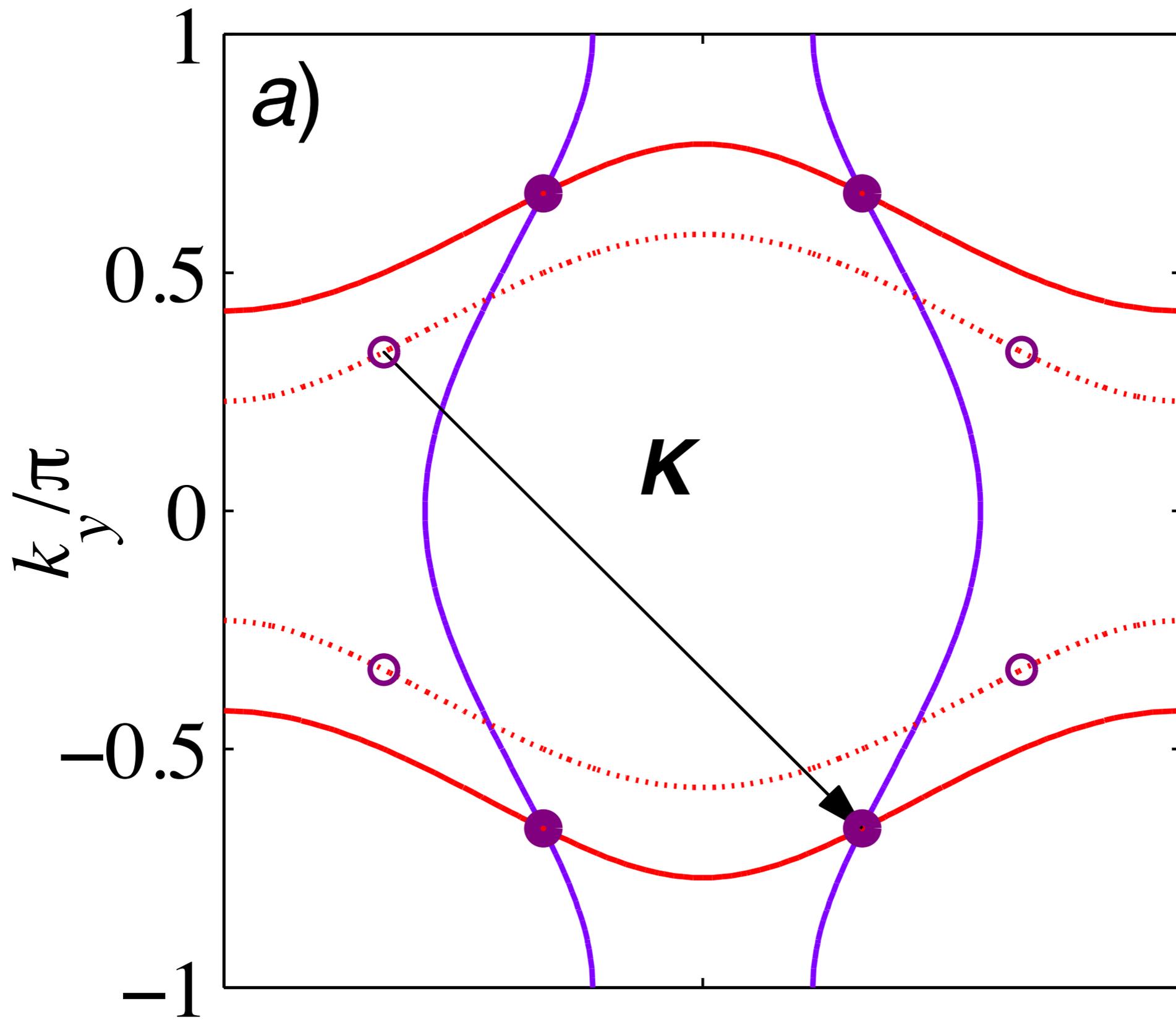
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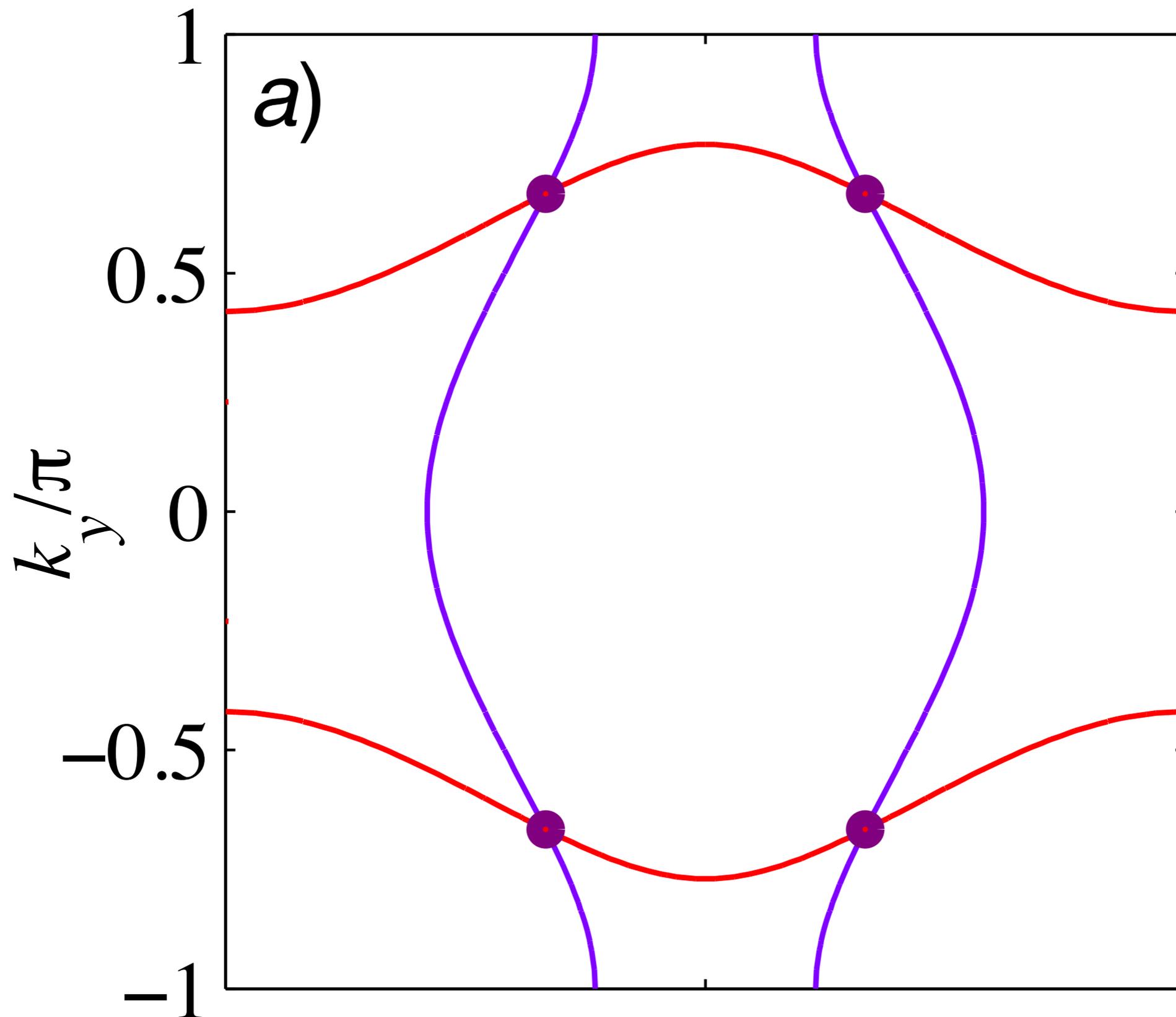
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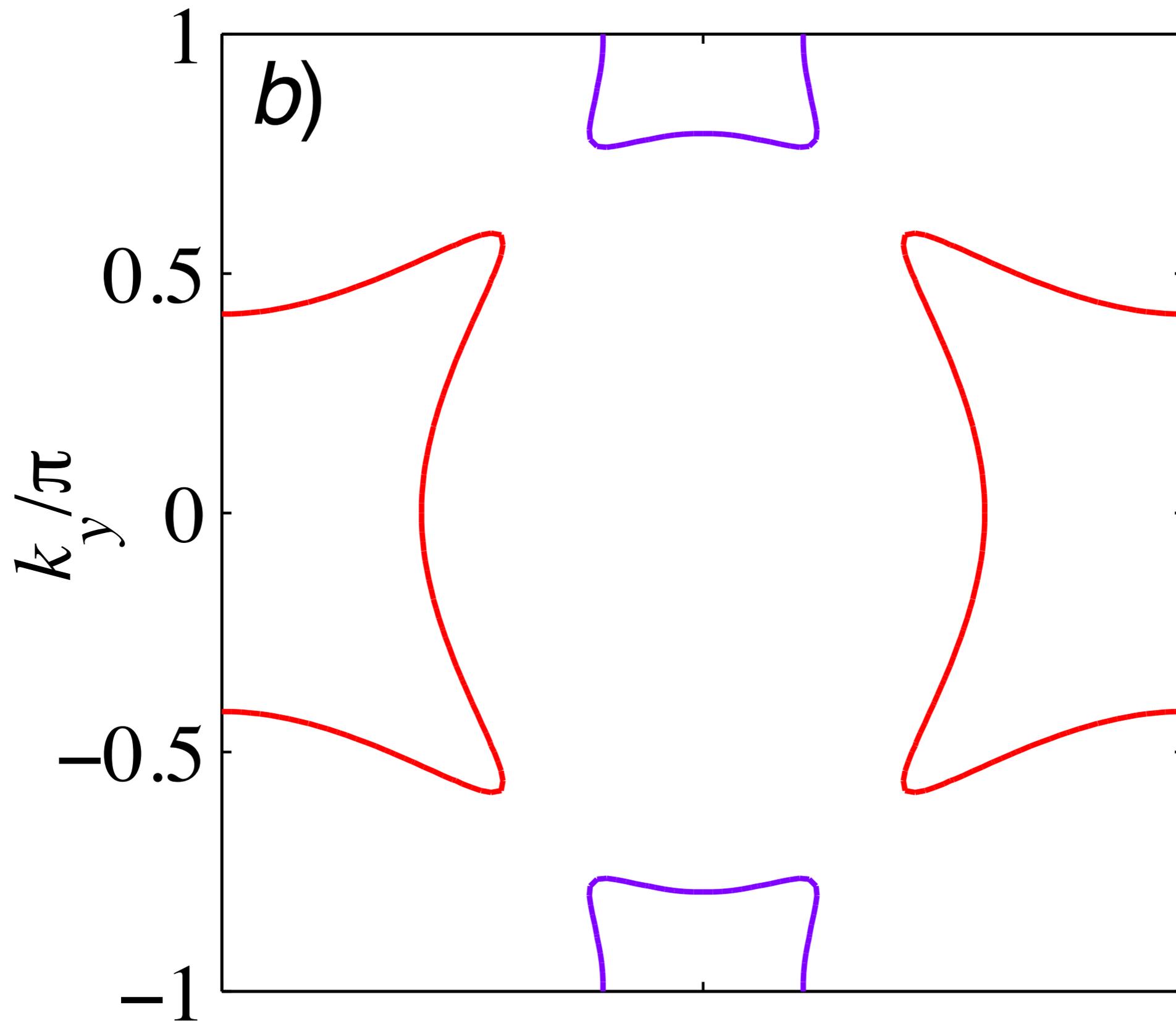


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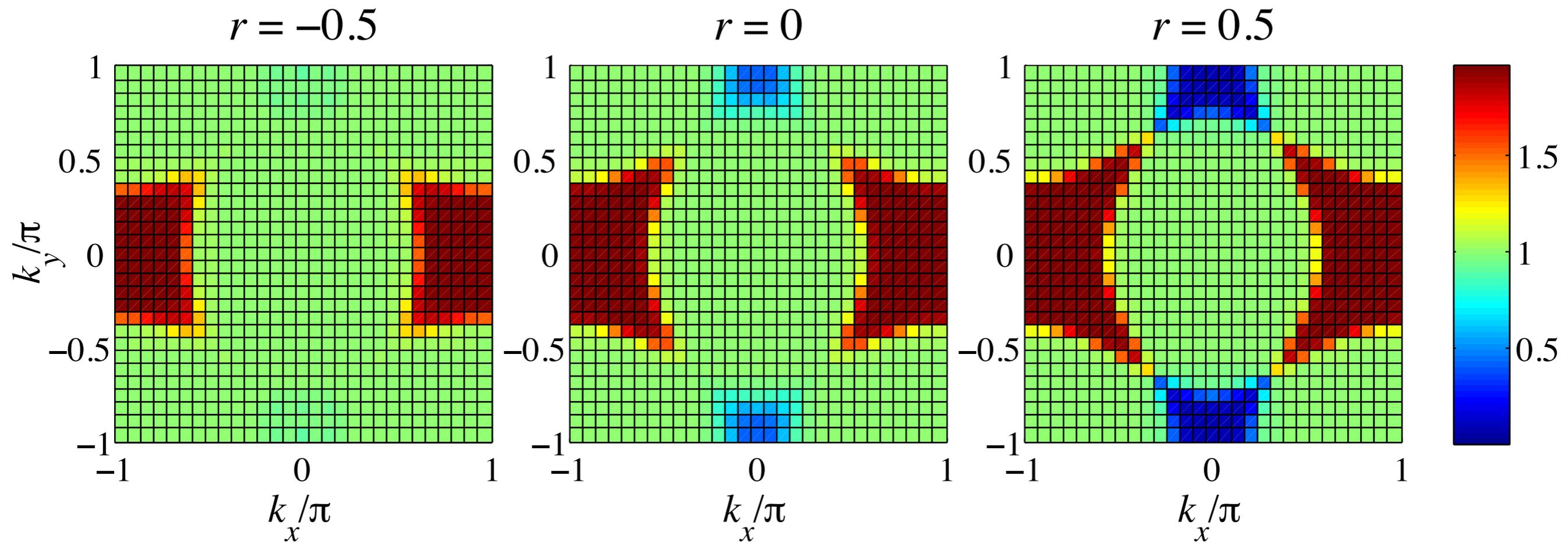
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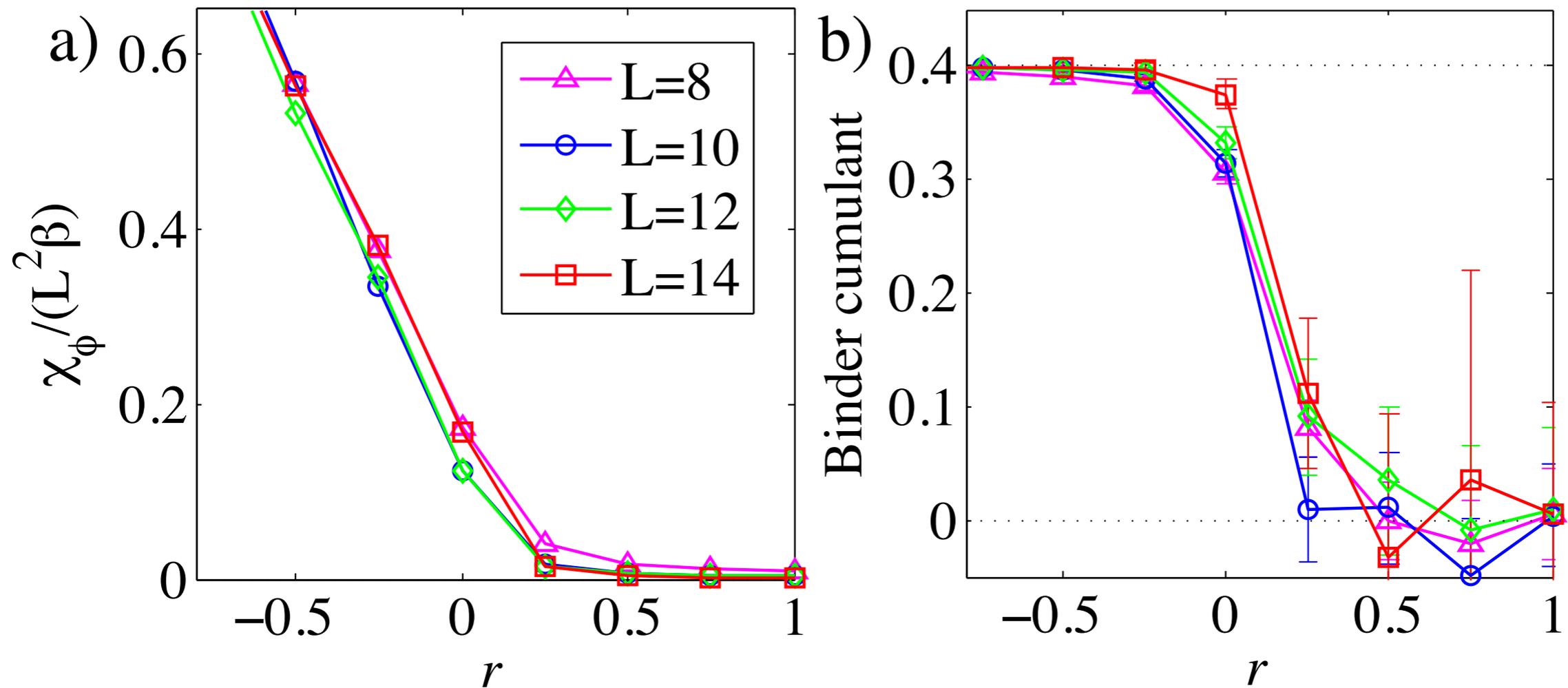


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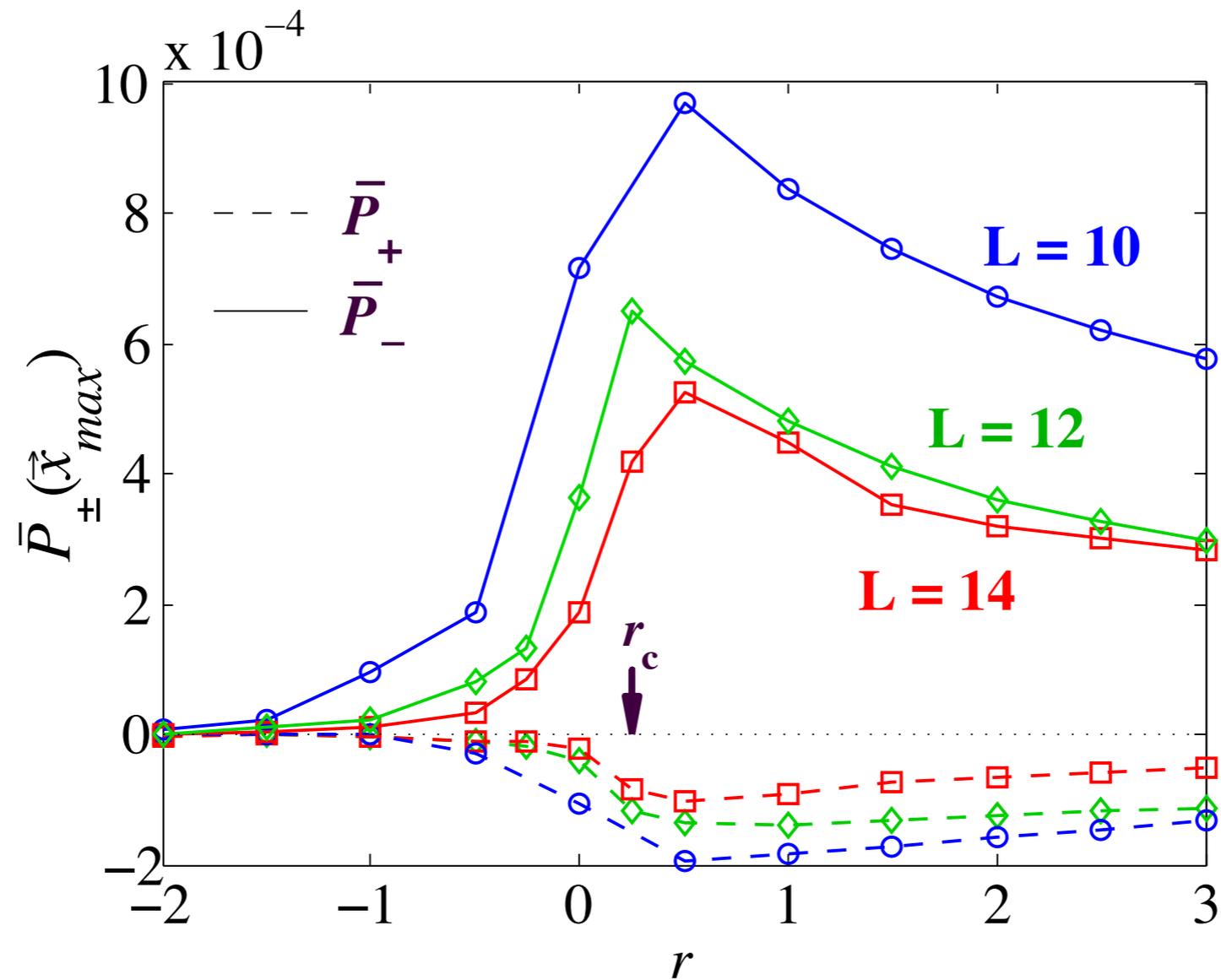


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