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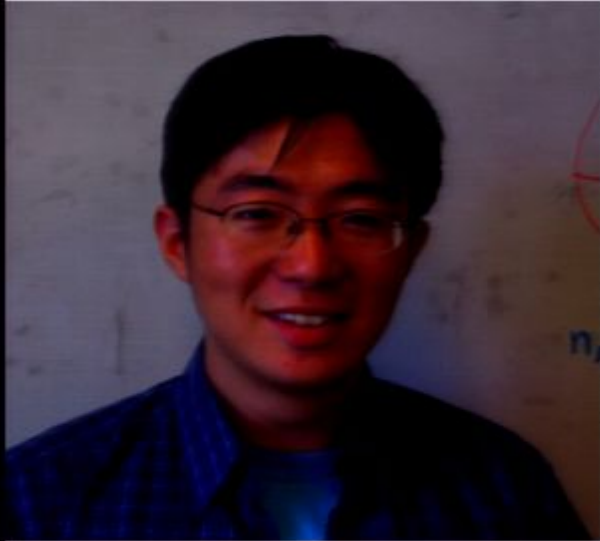
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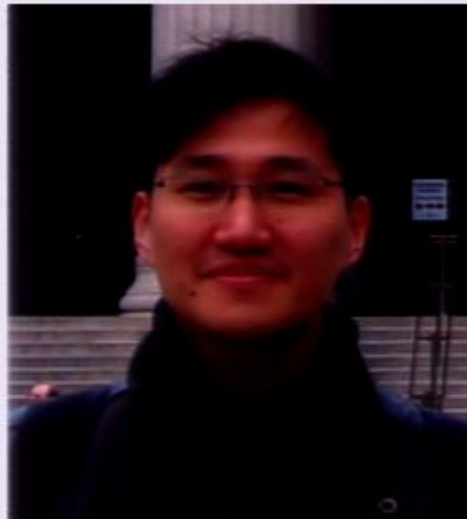




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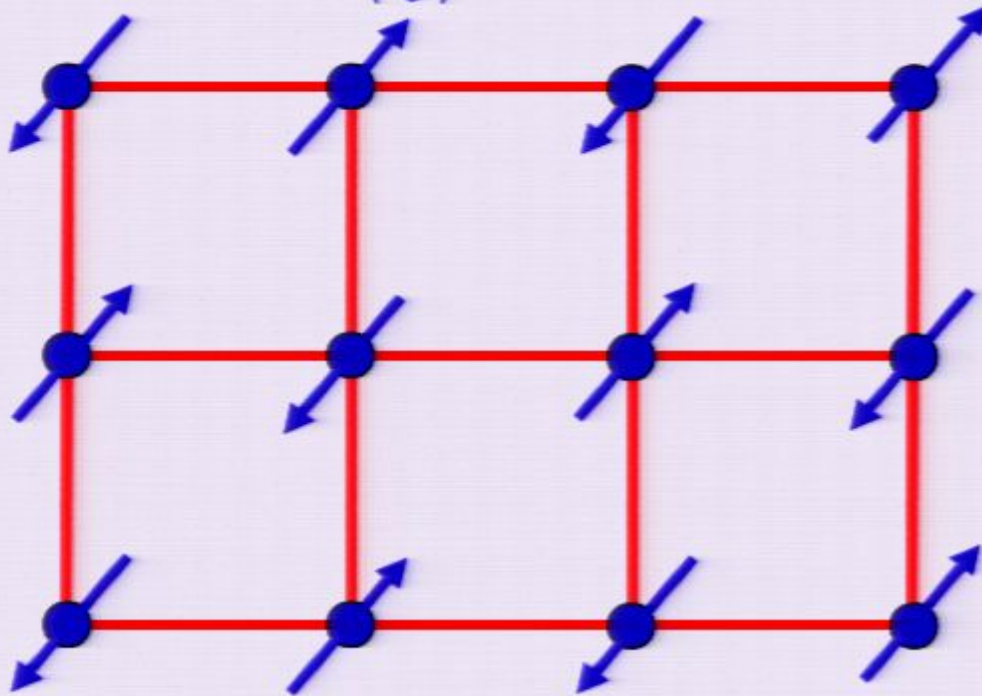
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Square lattice antiferromagnet

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Ground state has long-range Néel order

Order parameter is a single vector field $\vec{\varphi} = \eta_i \vec{S}_i$

$\eta_i = \pm 1$ on two sublattices

$\langle \vec{\varphi} \rangle \neq 0$ in Néel state.

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Describe the resulting state by an effective theory of fluctuations about the Néel order:

$$\mathcal{R}_z(x, \tau) |\text{Néel}\rangle$$

where R is a $SU(2)$ spin rotation matrix related to the Néel order

$$\mathcal{R}_z \equiv \begin{pmatrix} z_{\uparrow} & -z_{\downarrow}^* \\ z_{\downarrow} & z_{\uparrow}^* \end{pmatrix} ; \quad \vec{\varphi} = z_{\alpha}^* \vec{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} z_{\beta}$$

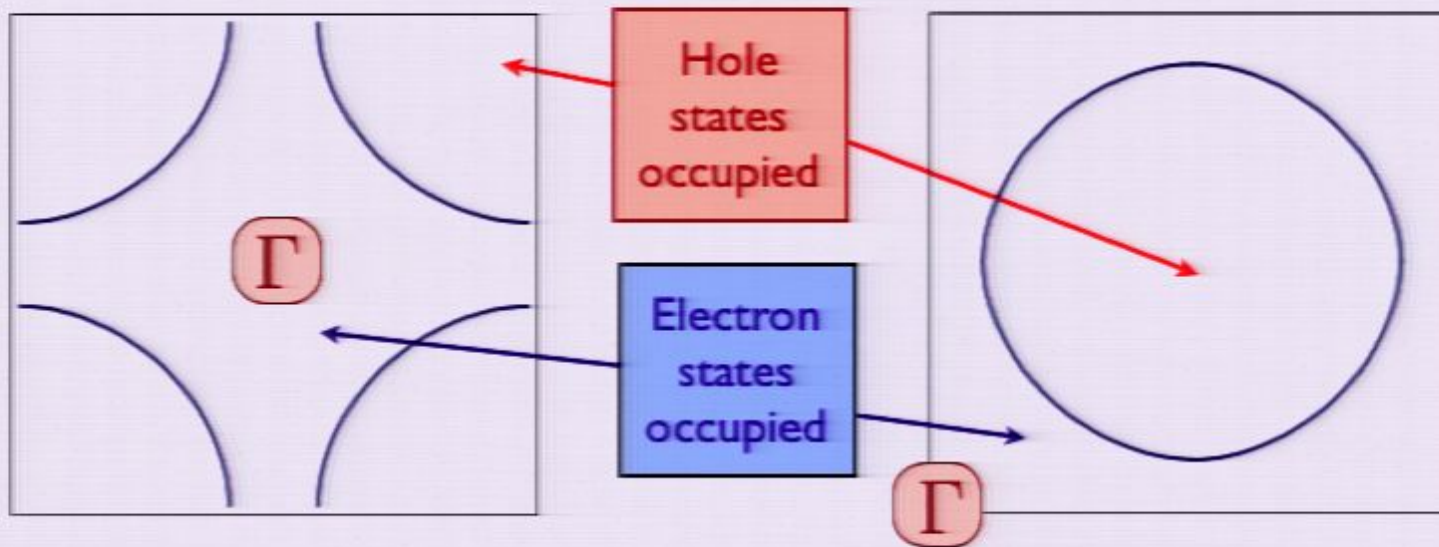
Higgs-Landau paradigm: Effective action for $\mathcal{R}_z(x, \tau)$, defined by symmetries, describes quantum transitions and phases near the Néel state.

Order parameter description is incomplete

Underlying electrons cannot be ignored even though charged excitations are fully gapped.

They endow topological defects in the order parameter (hedgehogs, vortices...) with Berry phases: the defects acquire additional degeneracies and transform non-trivially under lattice space group *e.g.* with non-zero crystal momentum

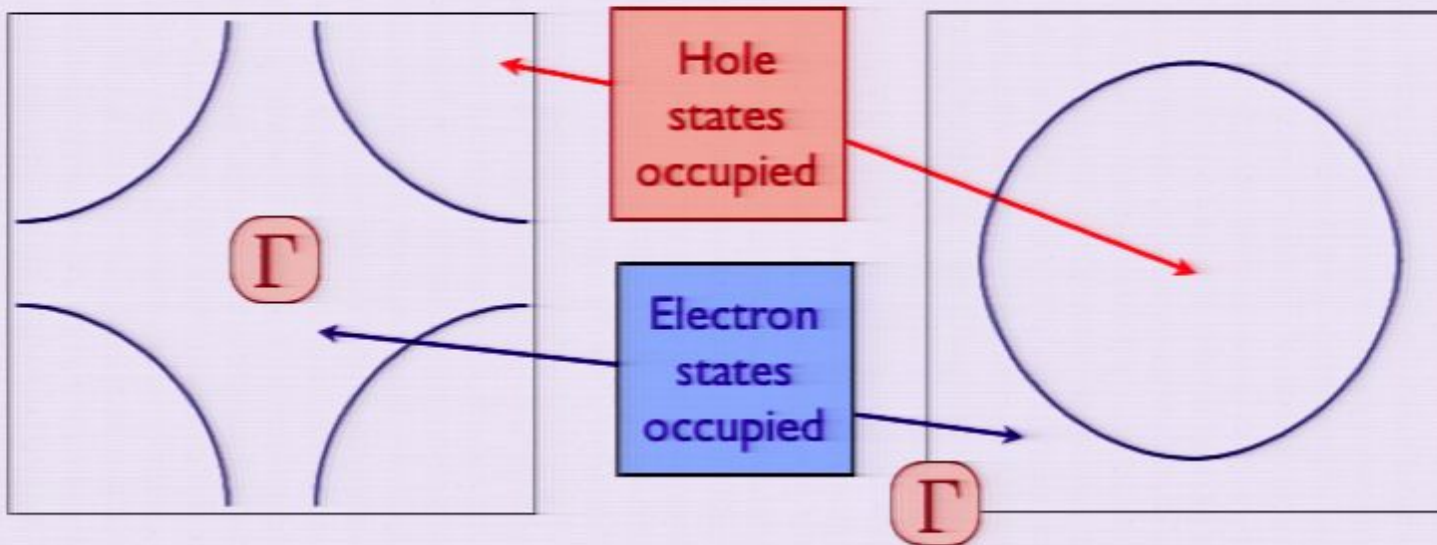
Metals (in the cuprates)



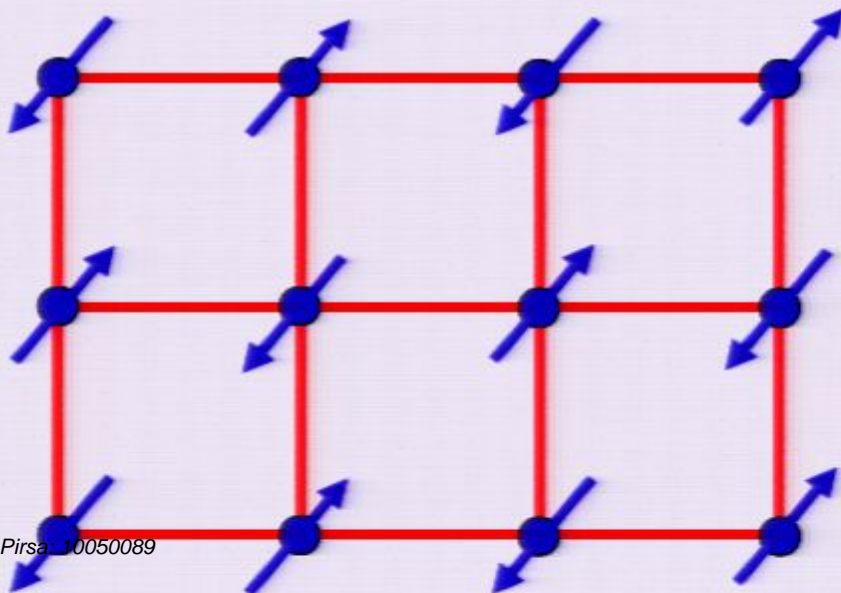
$$H_0 = - \sum_{i < j} t_{ij} c_{i\alpha}^\dagger c_{j\alpha} \equiv \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}^\dagger c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}$$

- Begin with free electrons.

Fermi surface+antiferromagnetism



+



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.

Spin density wave theory

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

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

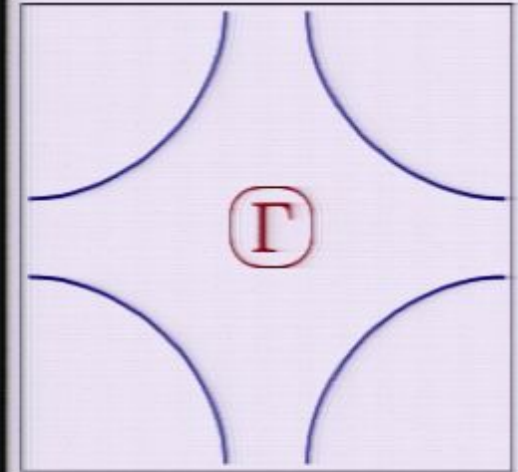
where $\vec{\sigma}$ are the Pauli matrices. The electron dispersions obtained diagonalizing $H_0 + H_{\text{sdw}}$ for $\vec{\varphi} \propto (0, 0, 1)$ are

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

this leads to the Fermi surfaces shown in the following slides for half-filling

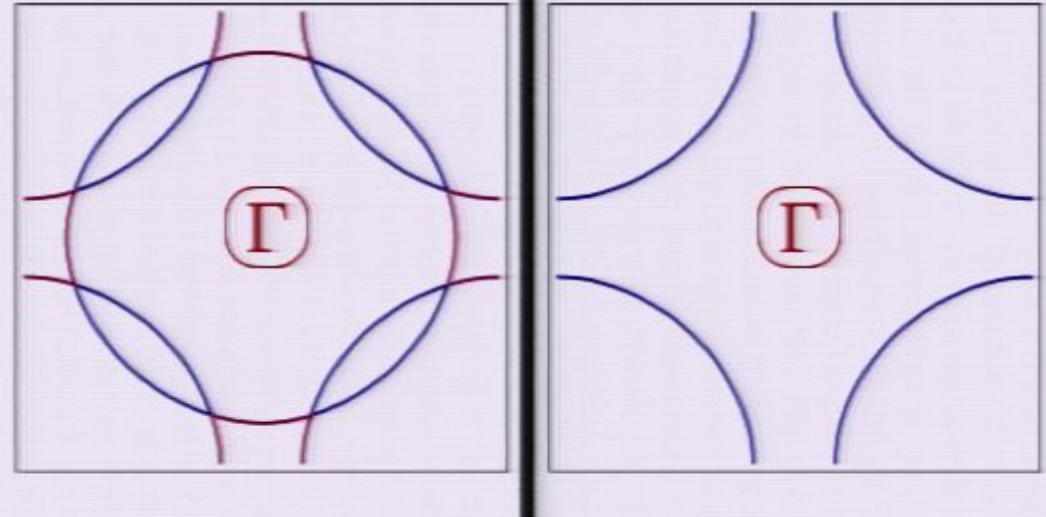
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← Increasing SDW order



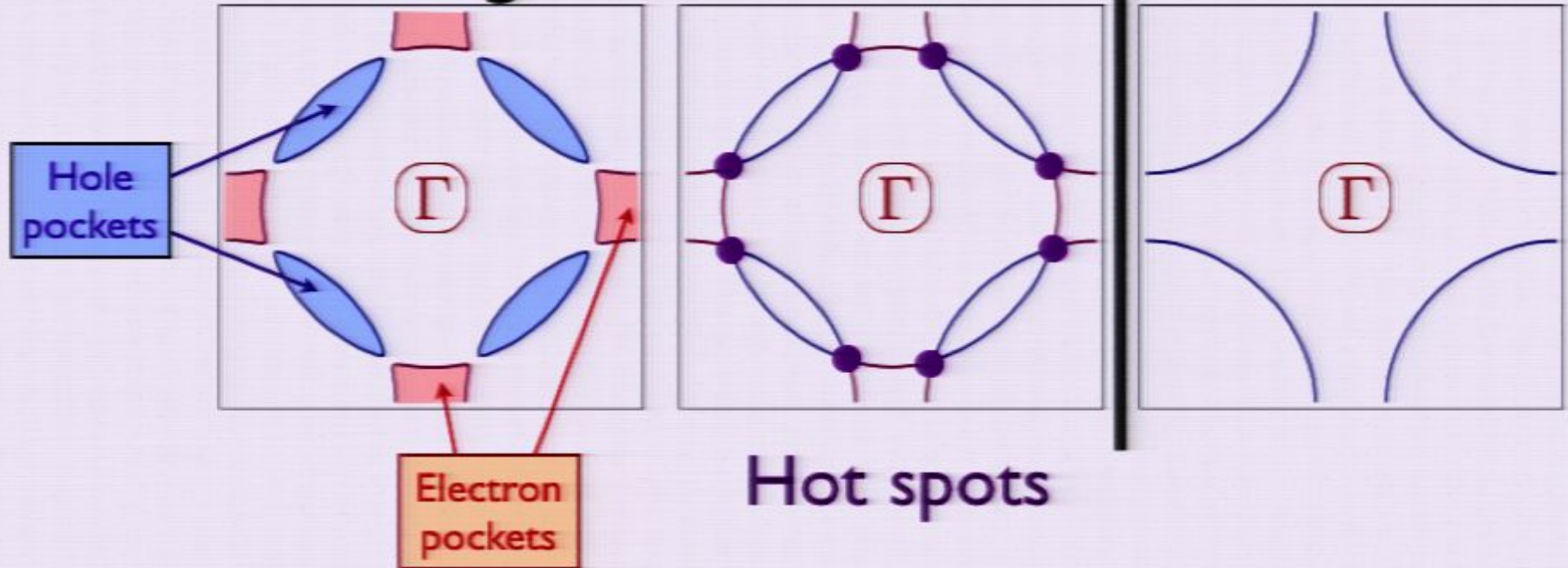
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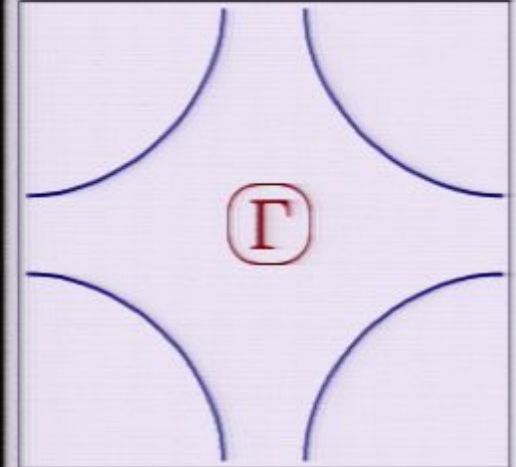
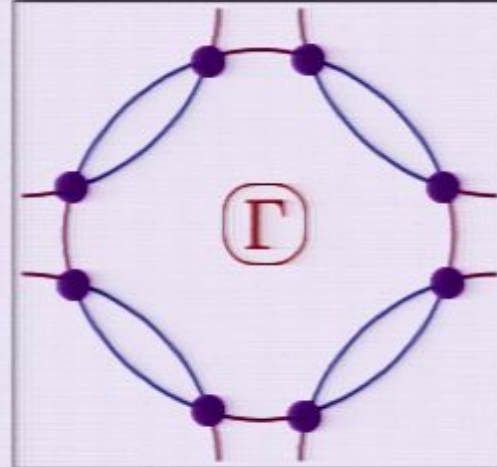
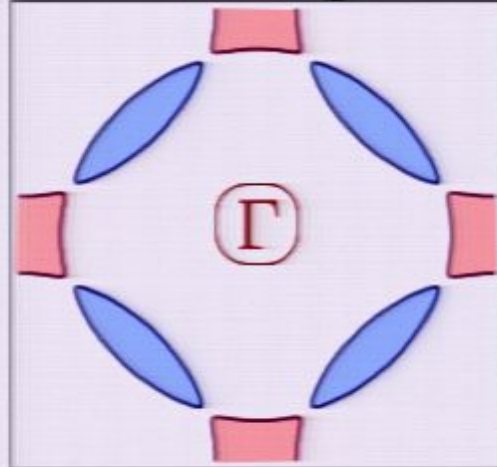


Fermi surface breaks up at hot spots
into electron and hole “pockets”

Half-filled band

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Insulator



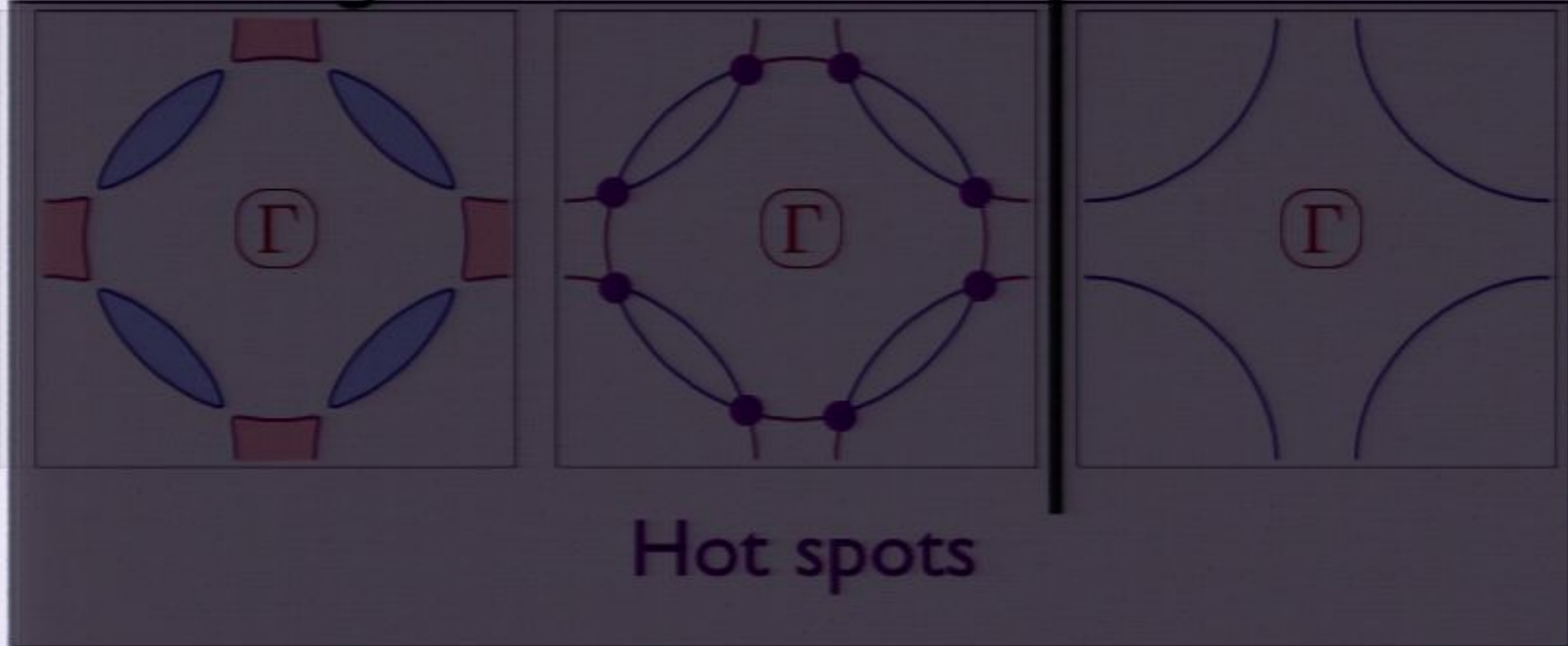
Hot spots

Insulator with Neel order has electrons filling a band, and no Fermi surface

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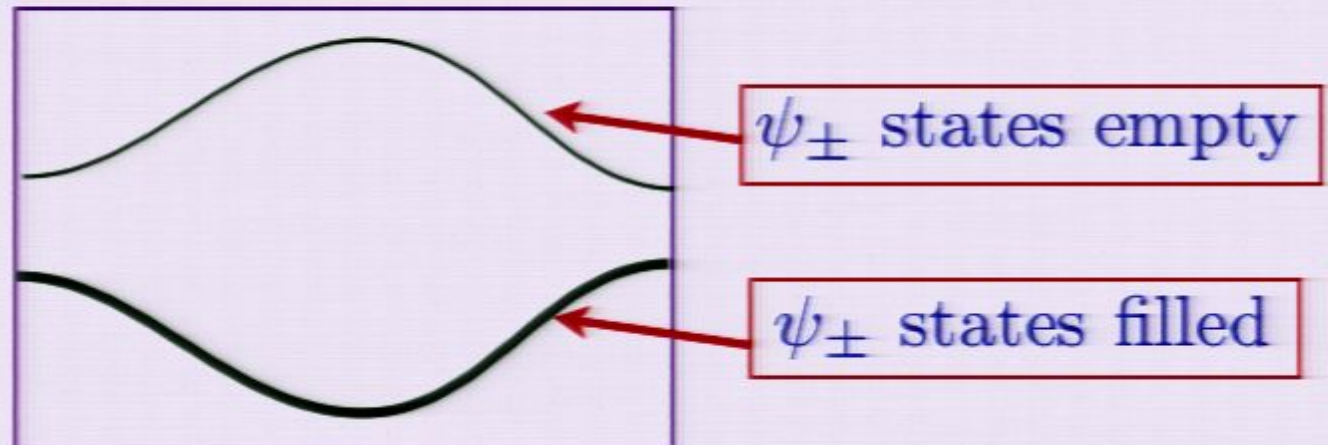
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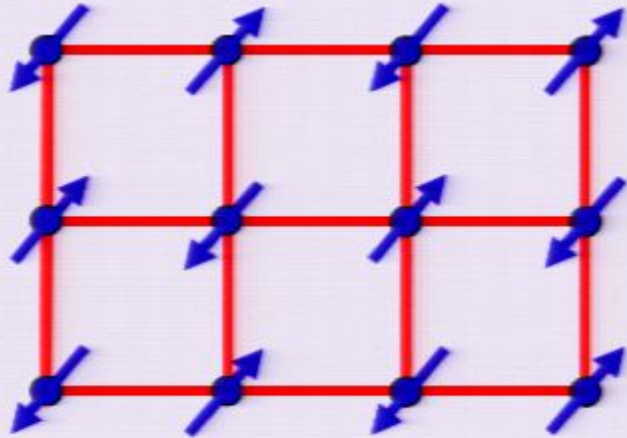
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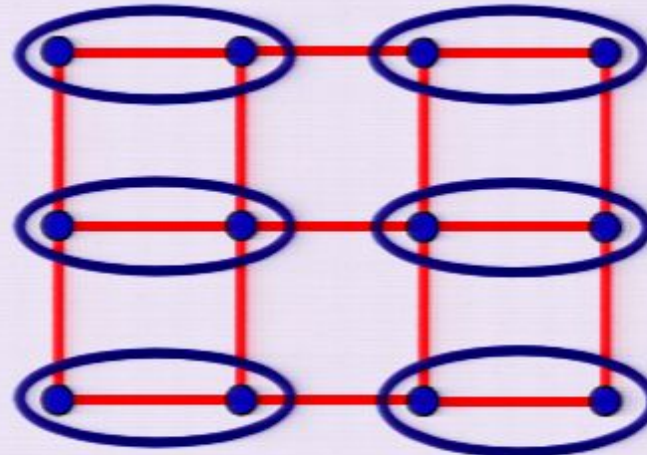
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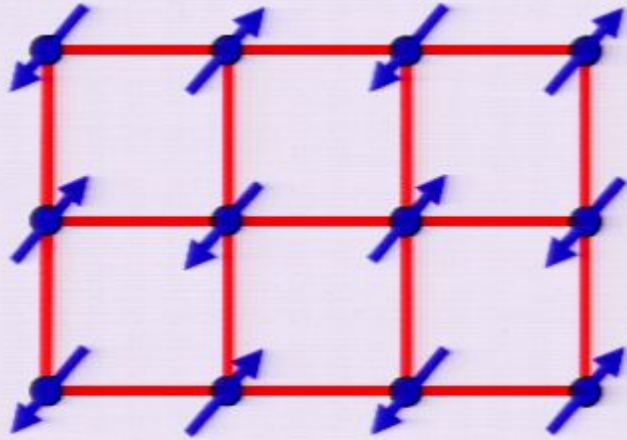
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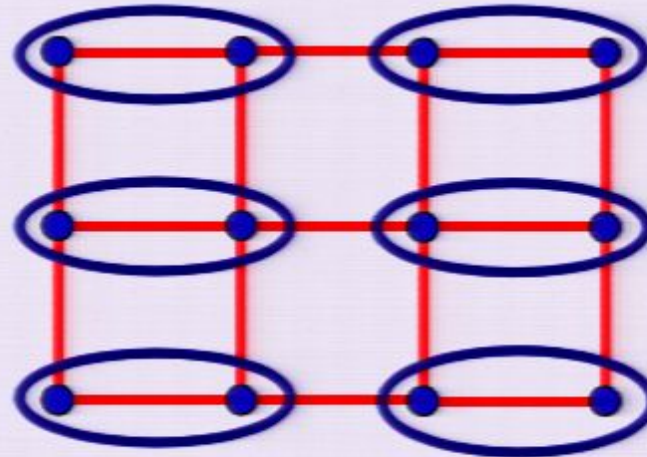
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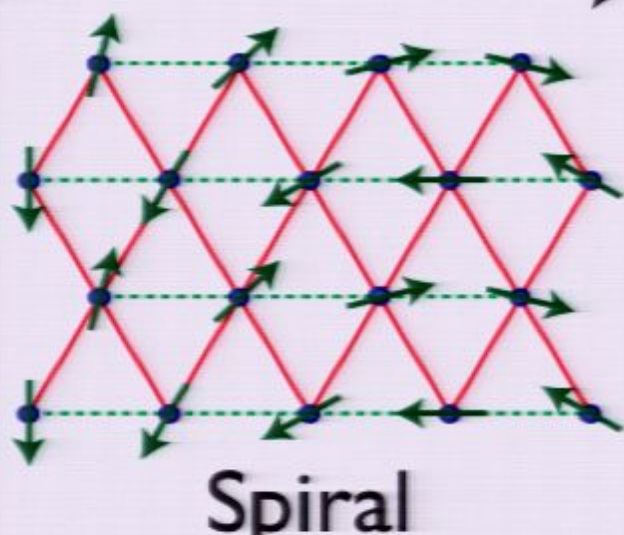
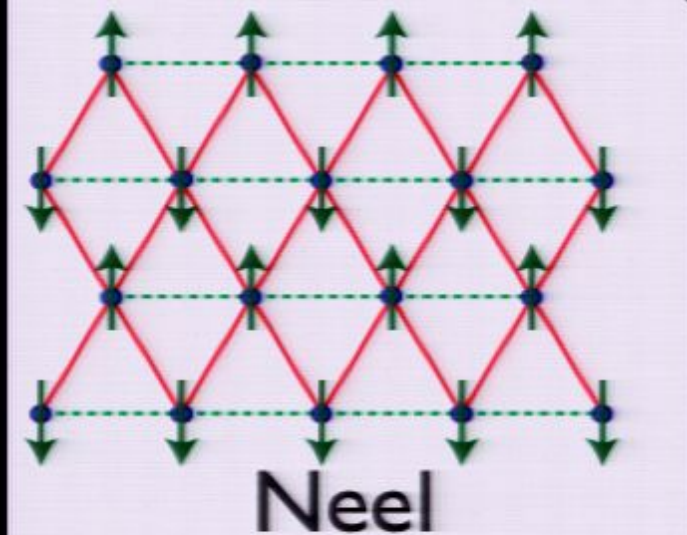
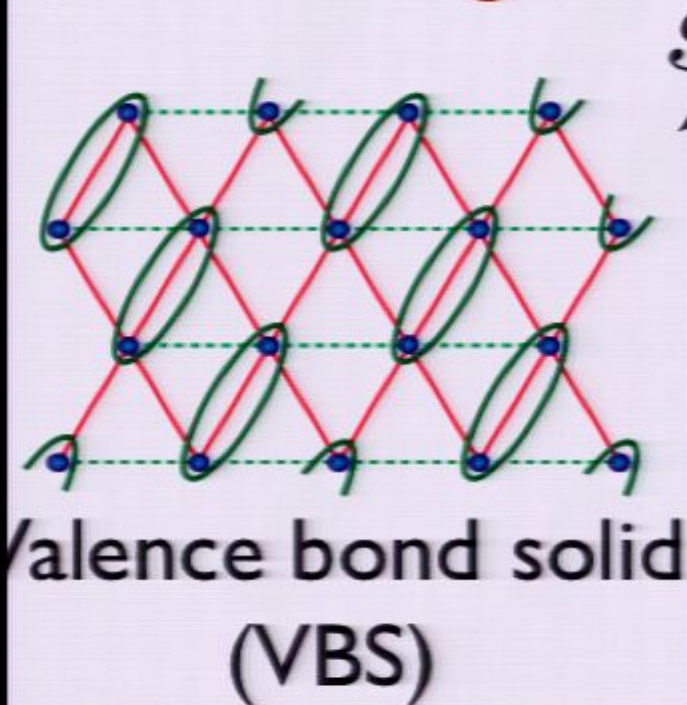
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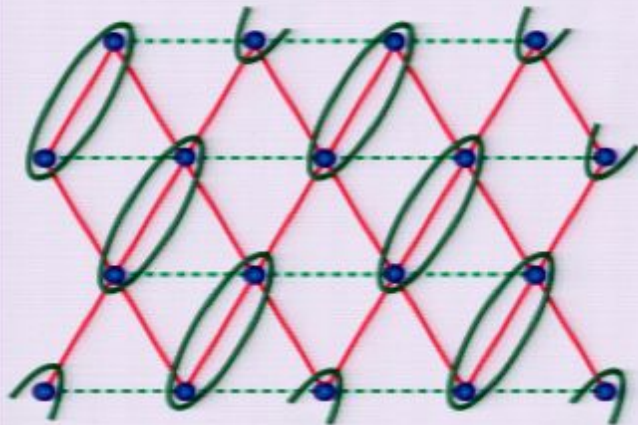


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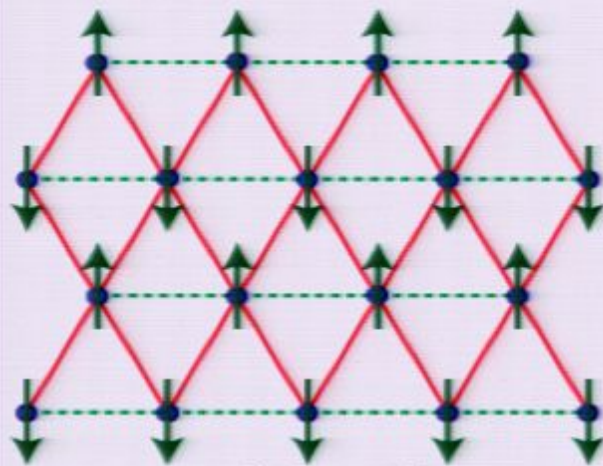


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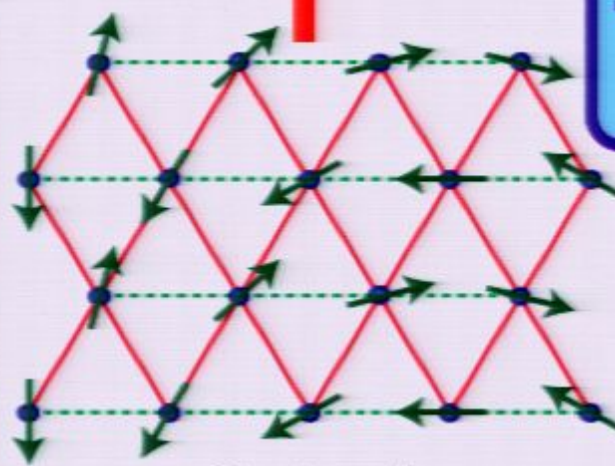
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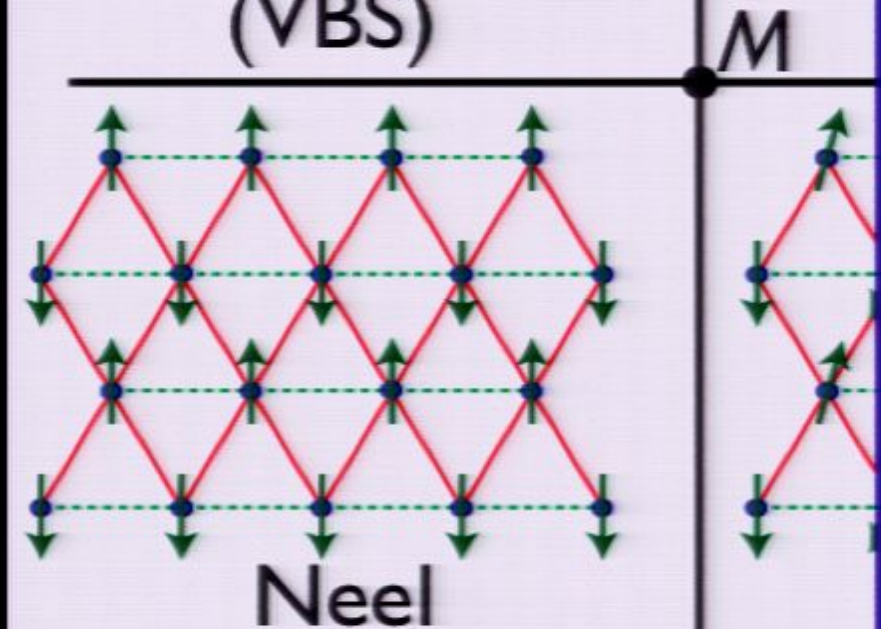
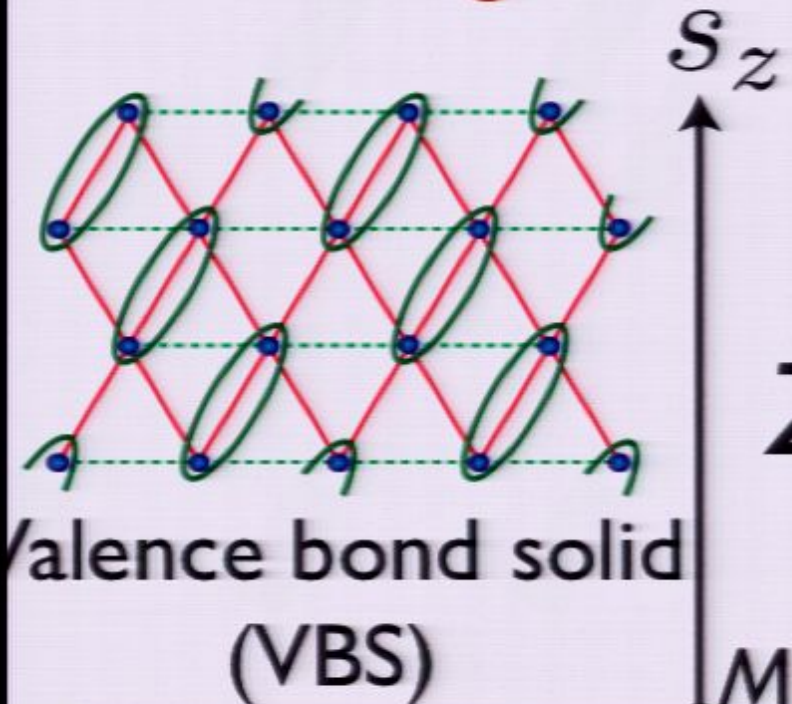
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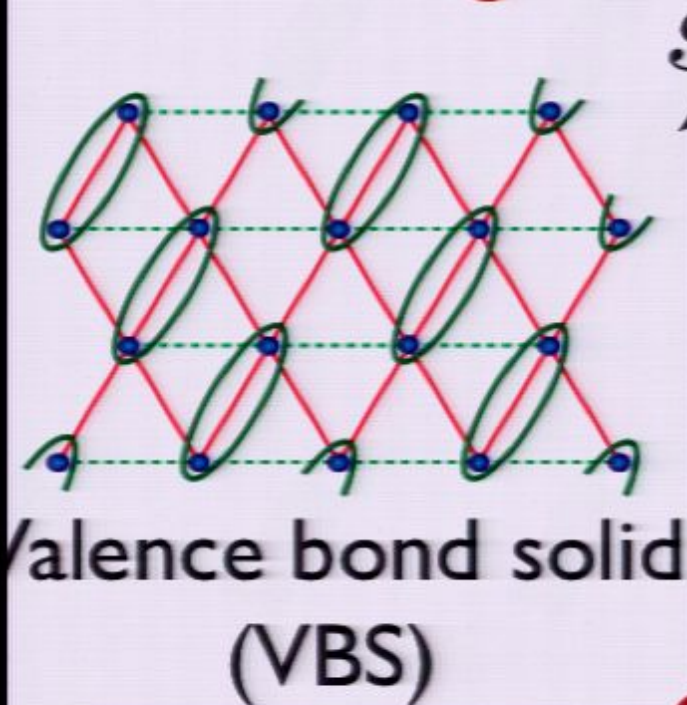


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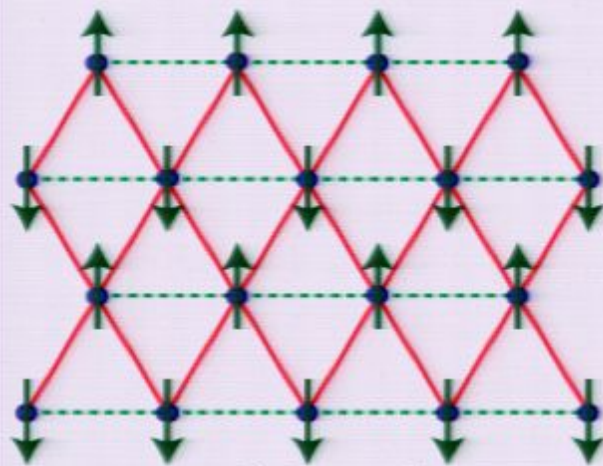
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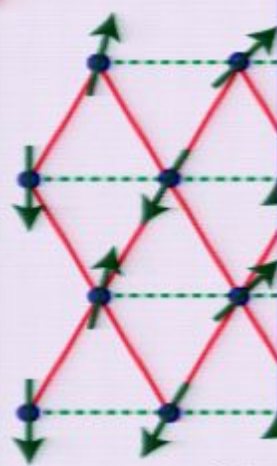
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Multicritical point M described by a doubled Chern-Simons theory; non-supersymmetric analog of the ABJM model

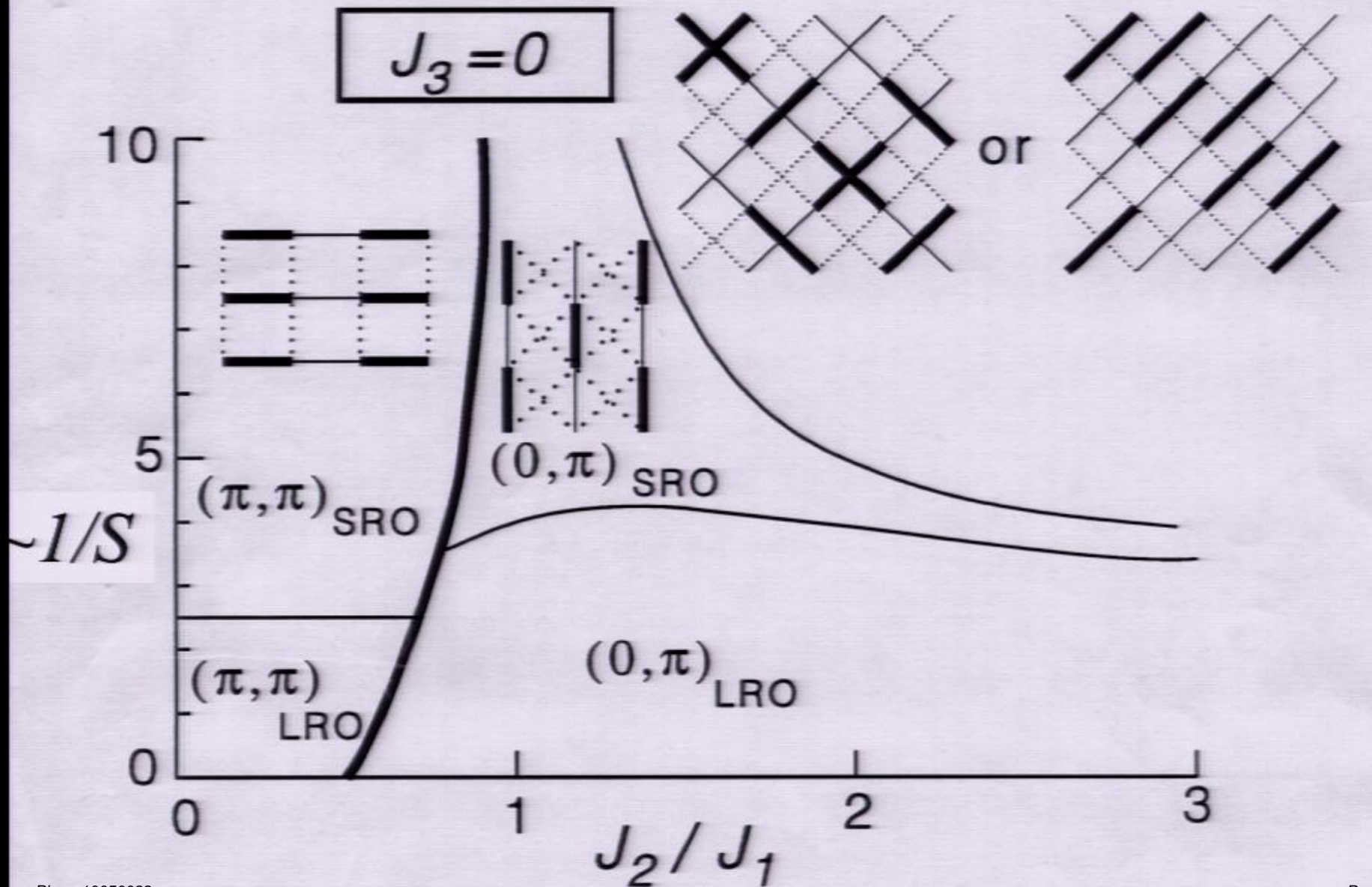


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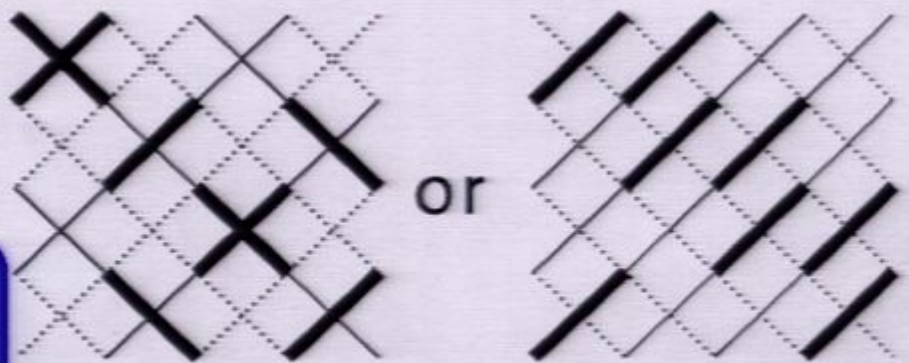
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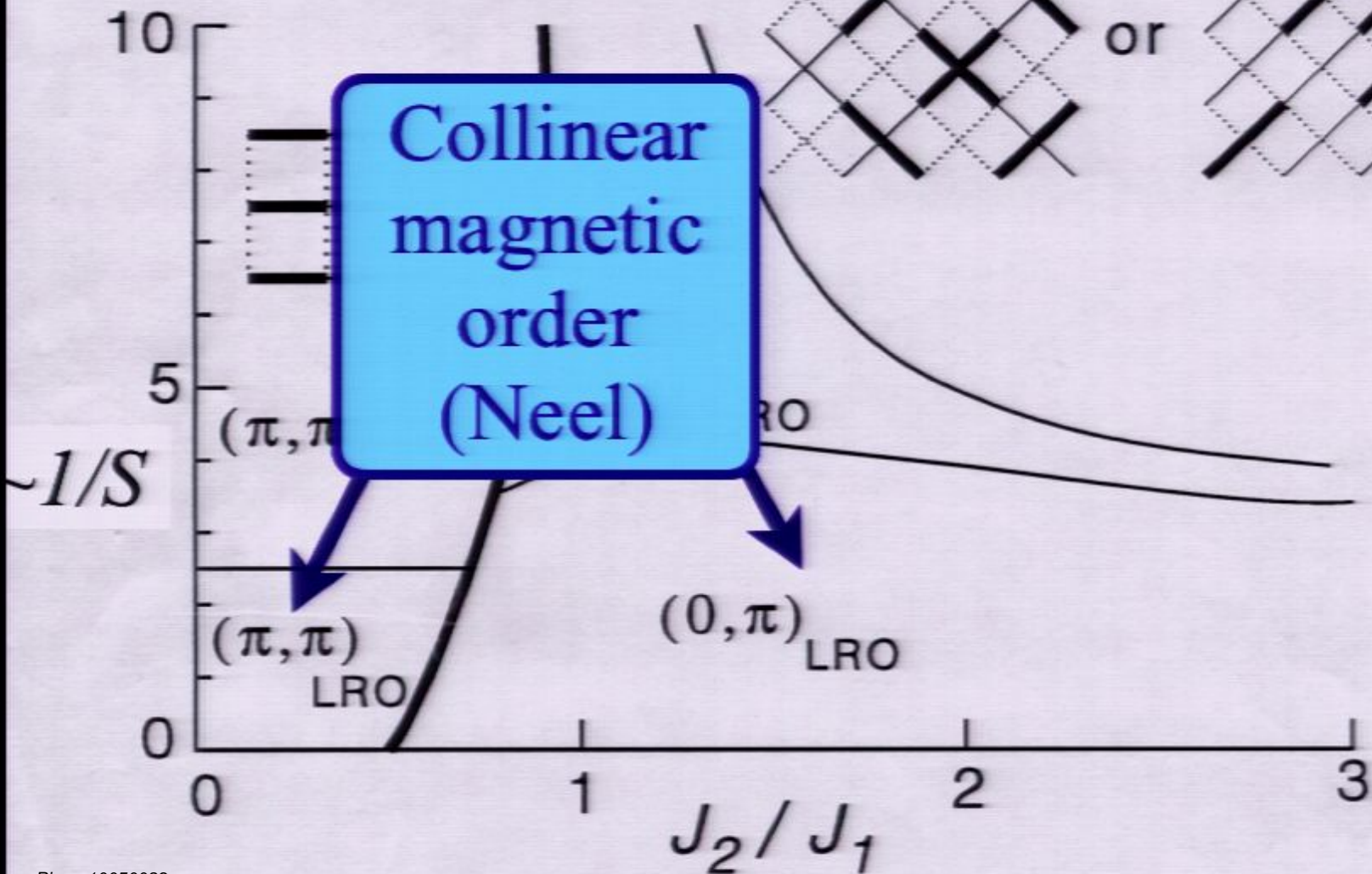


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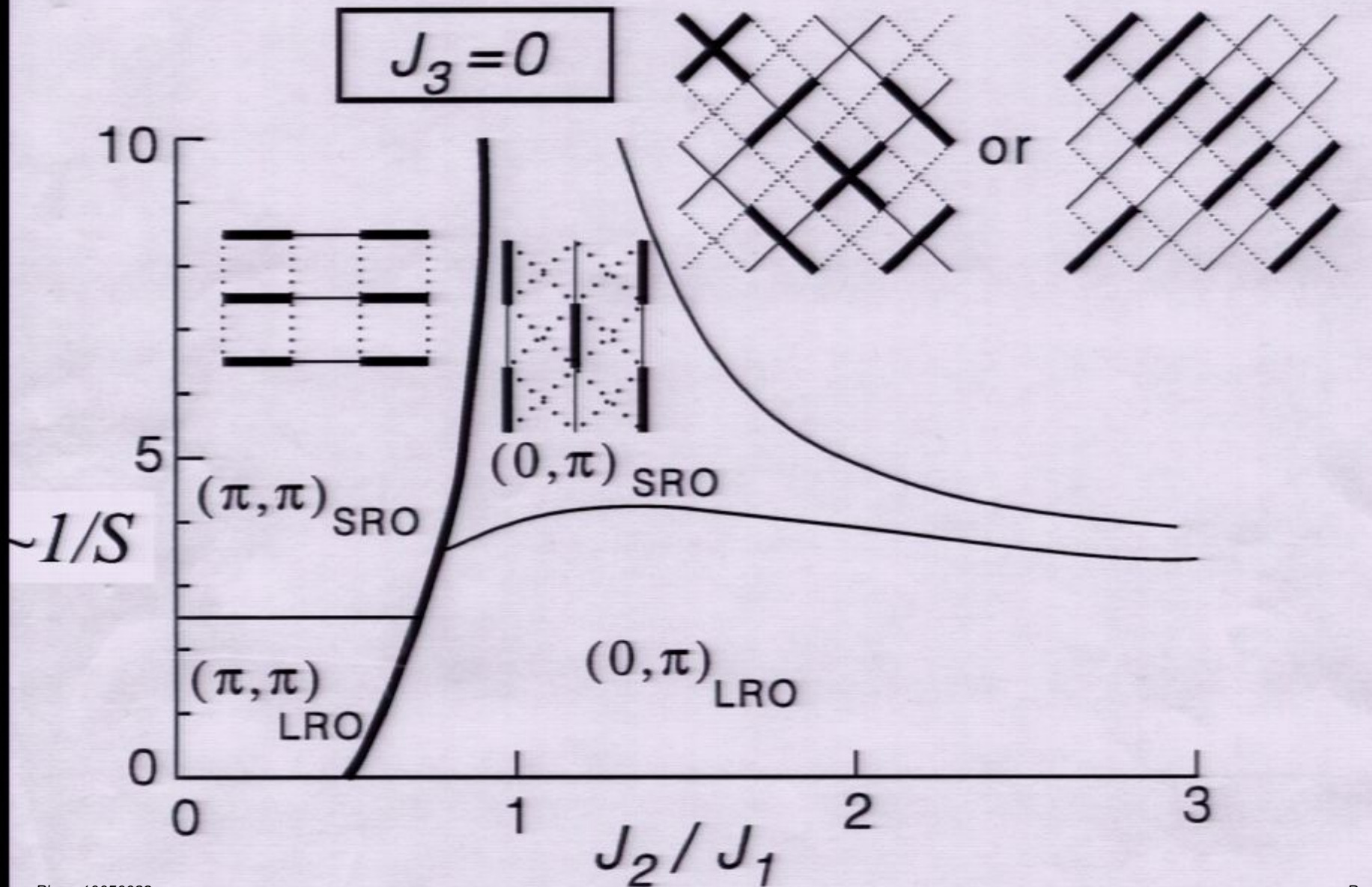
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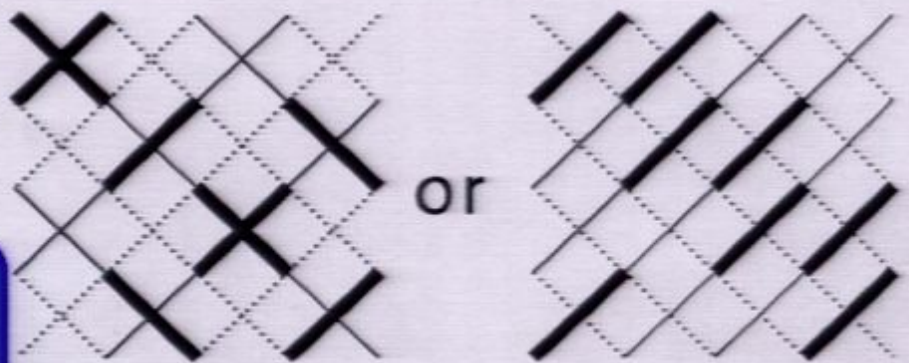


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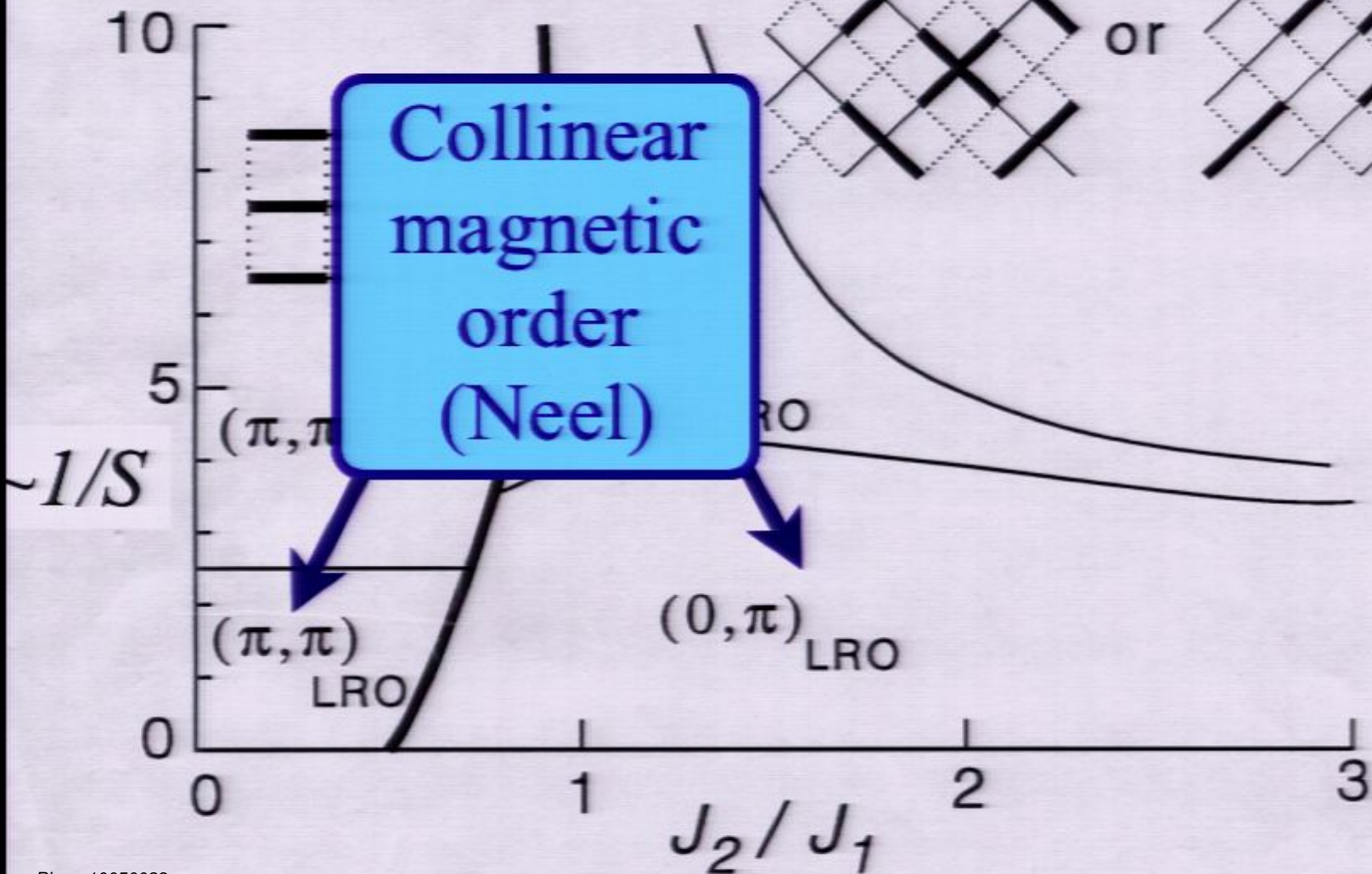


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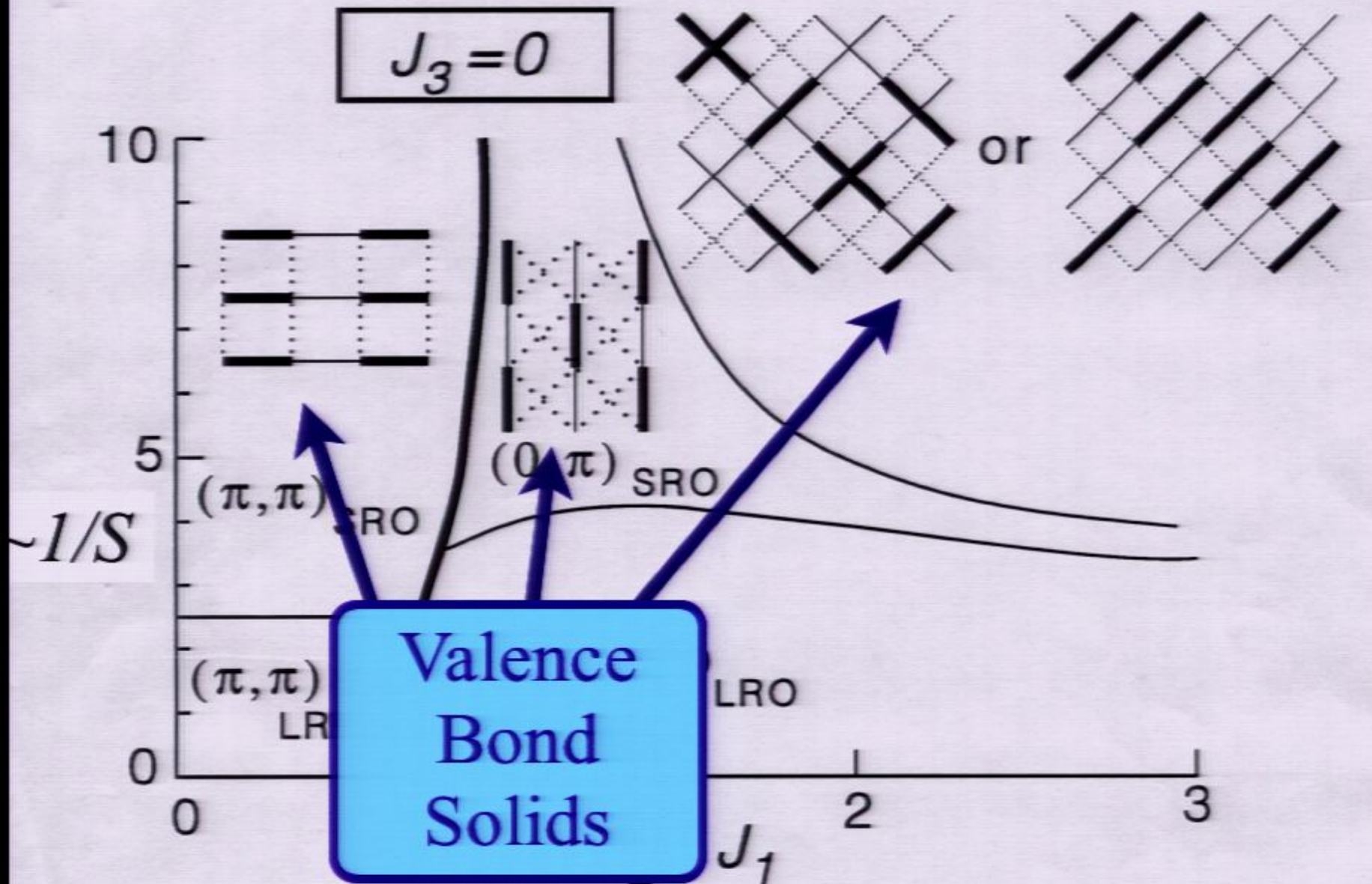
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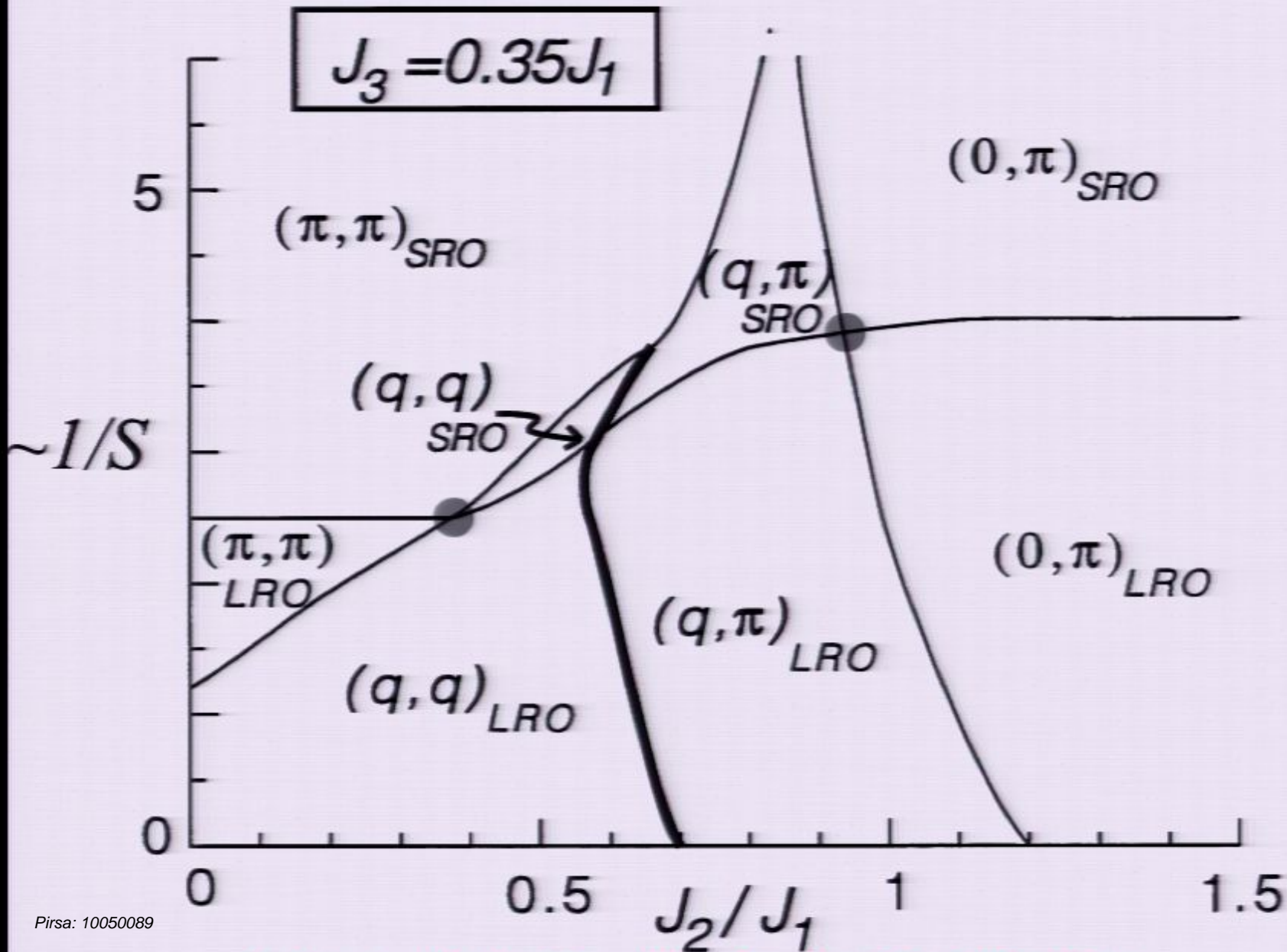
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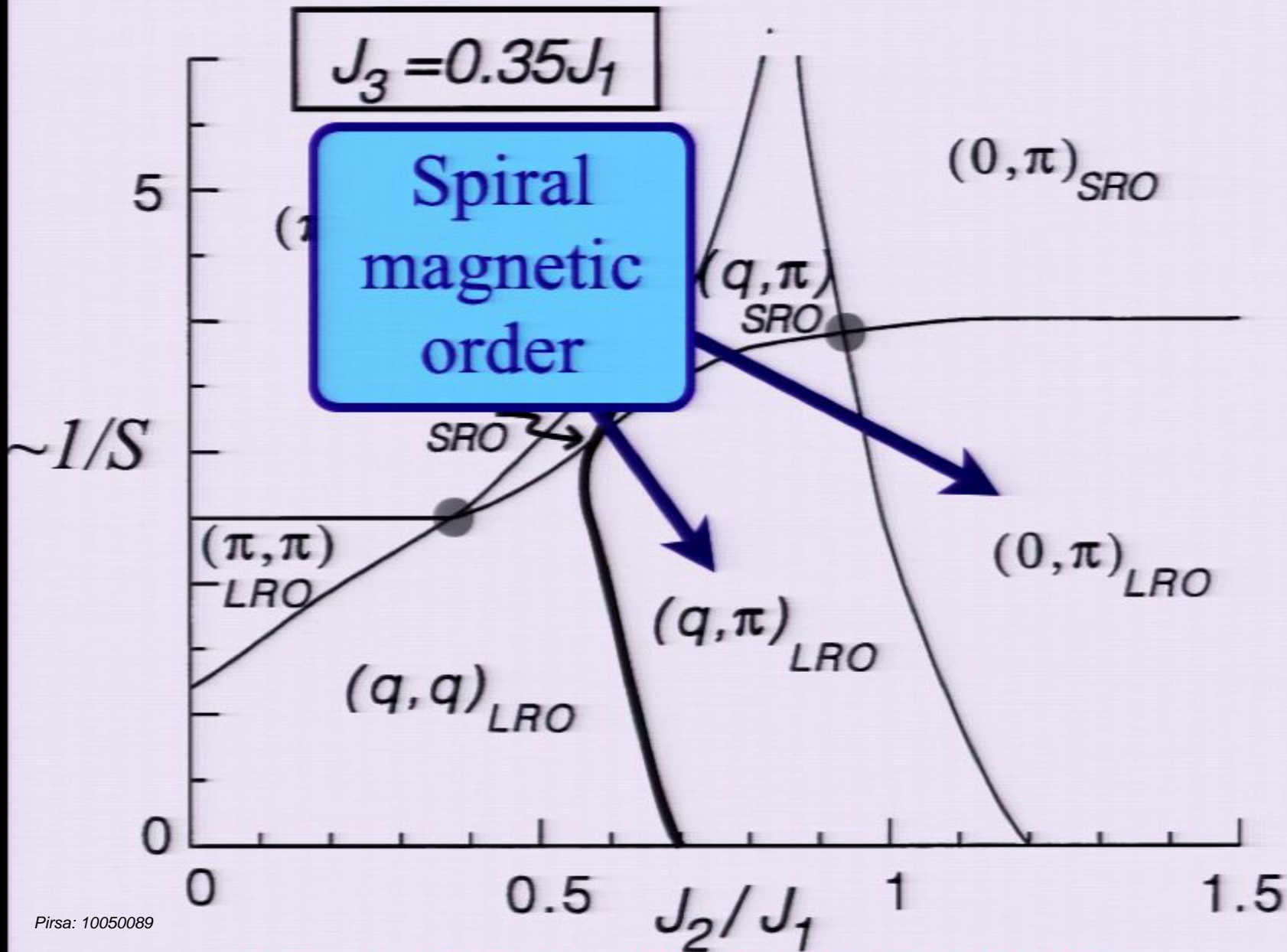
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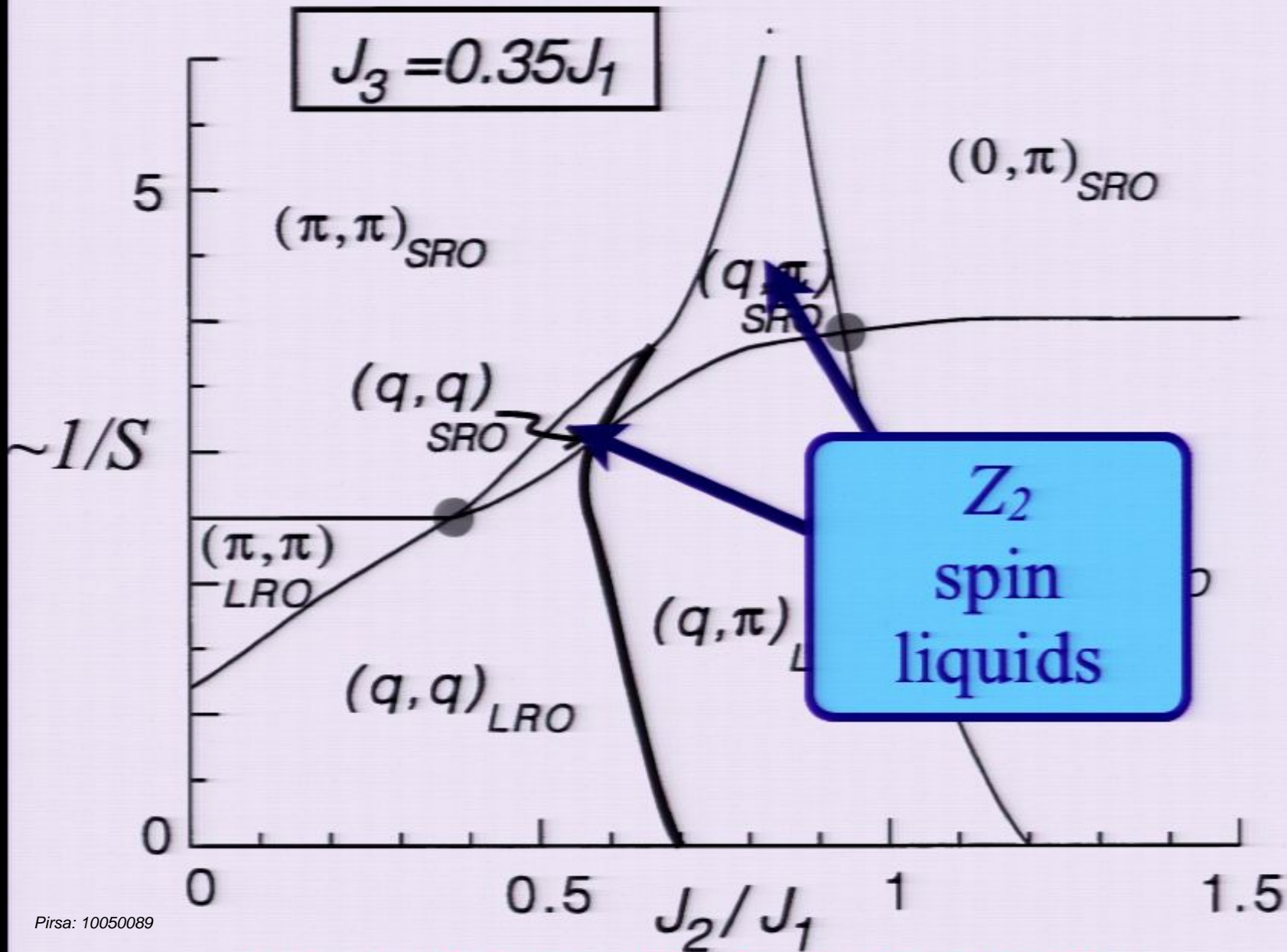
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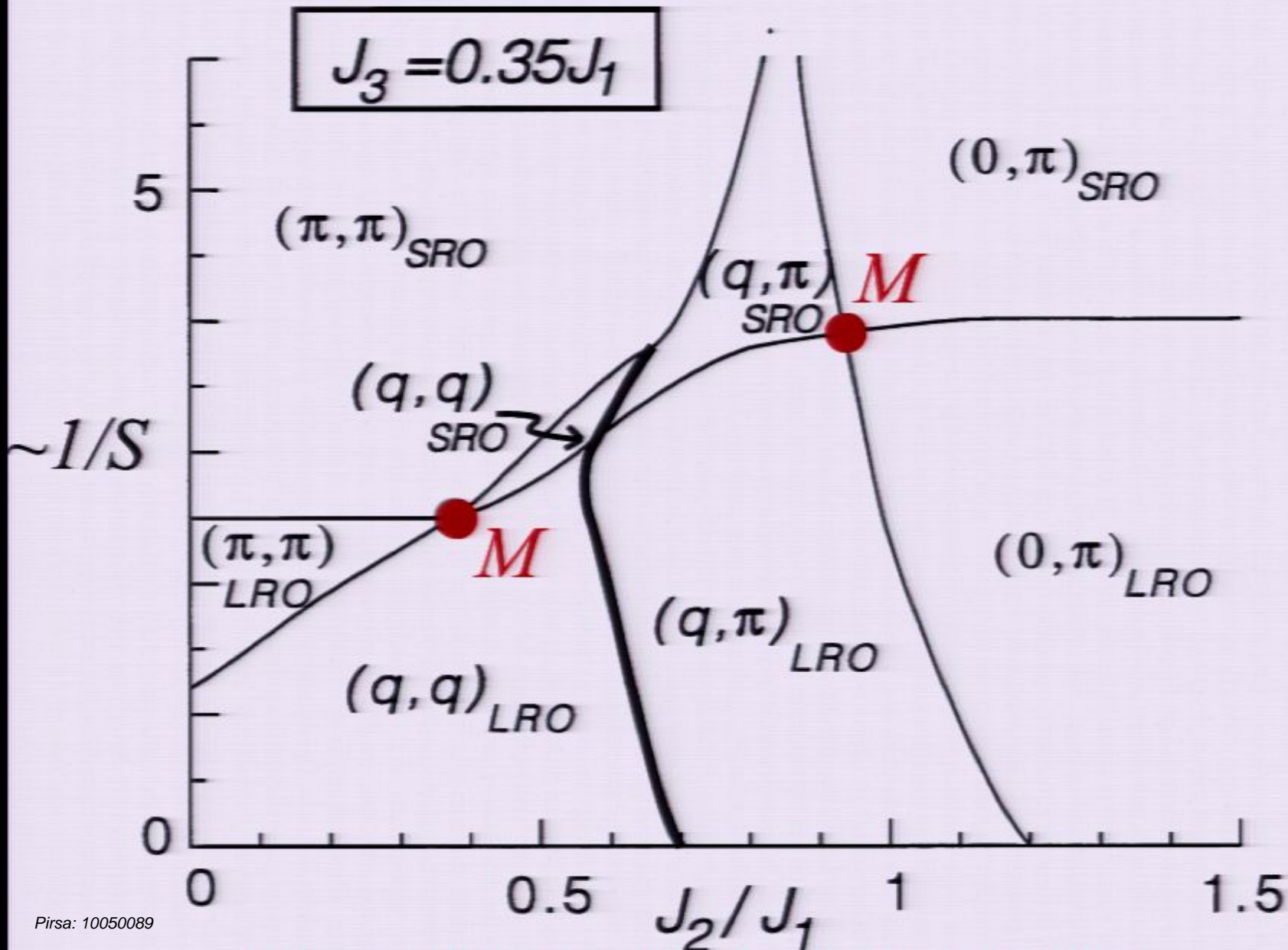
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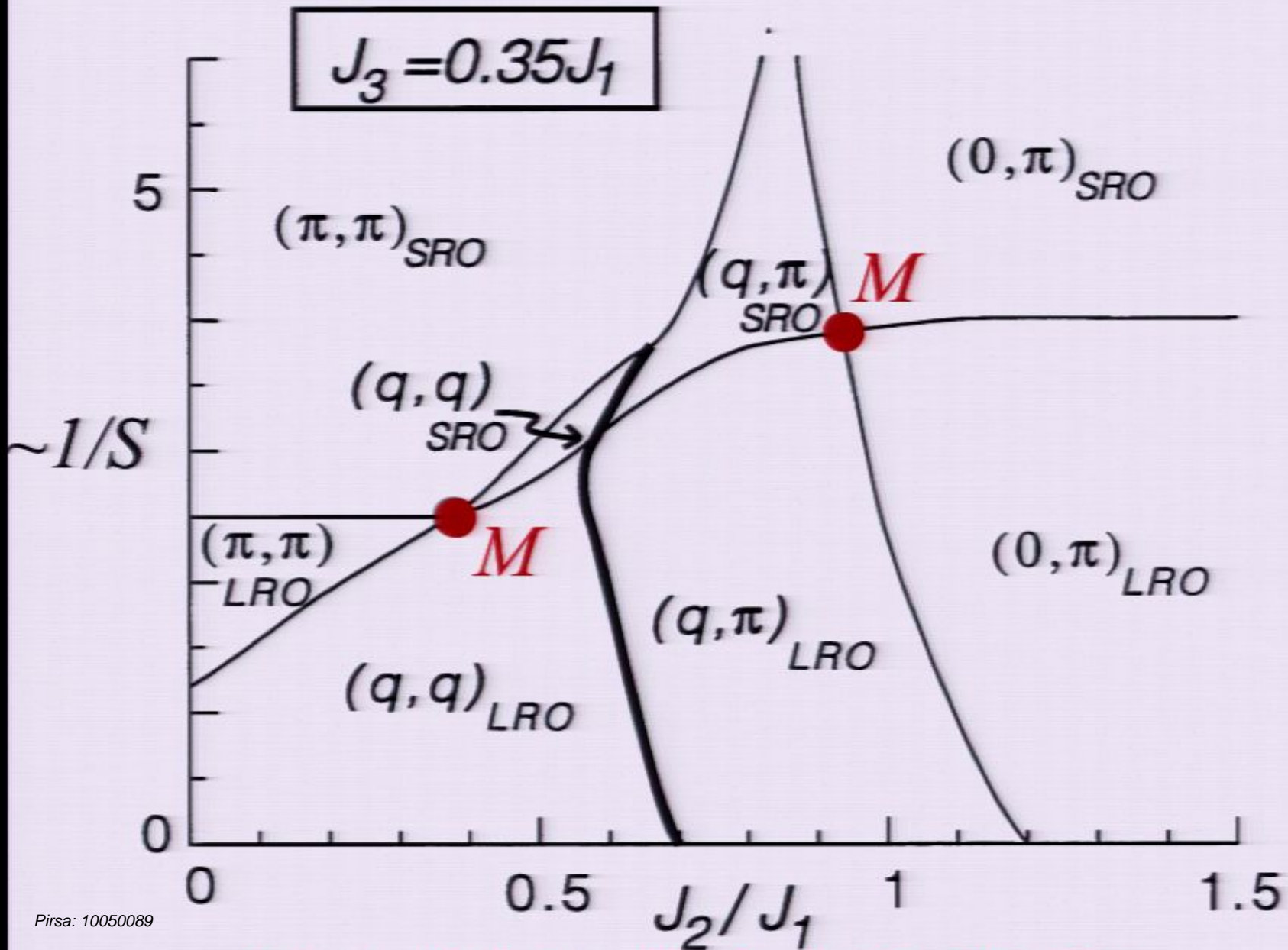
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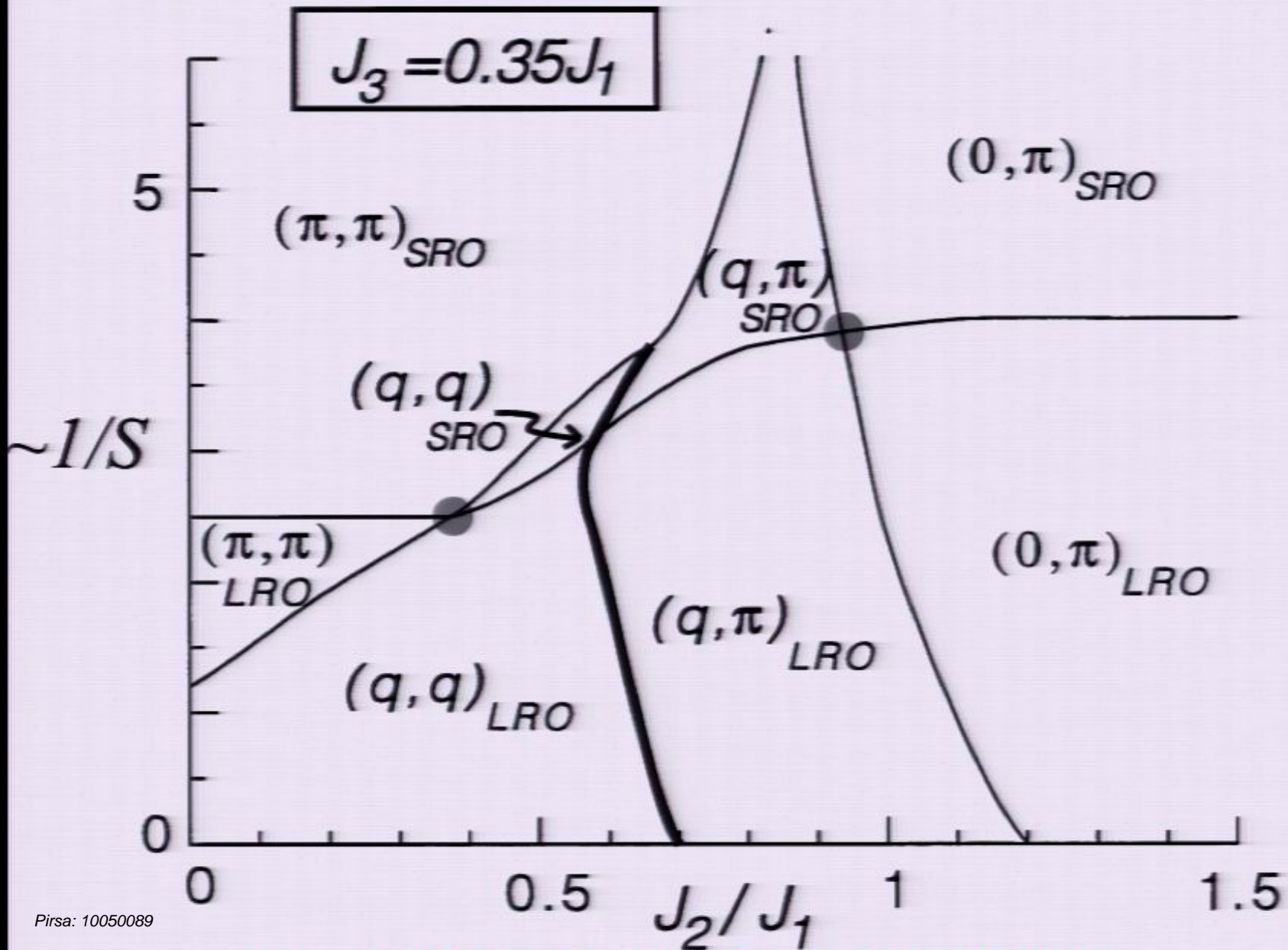
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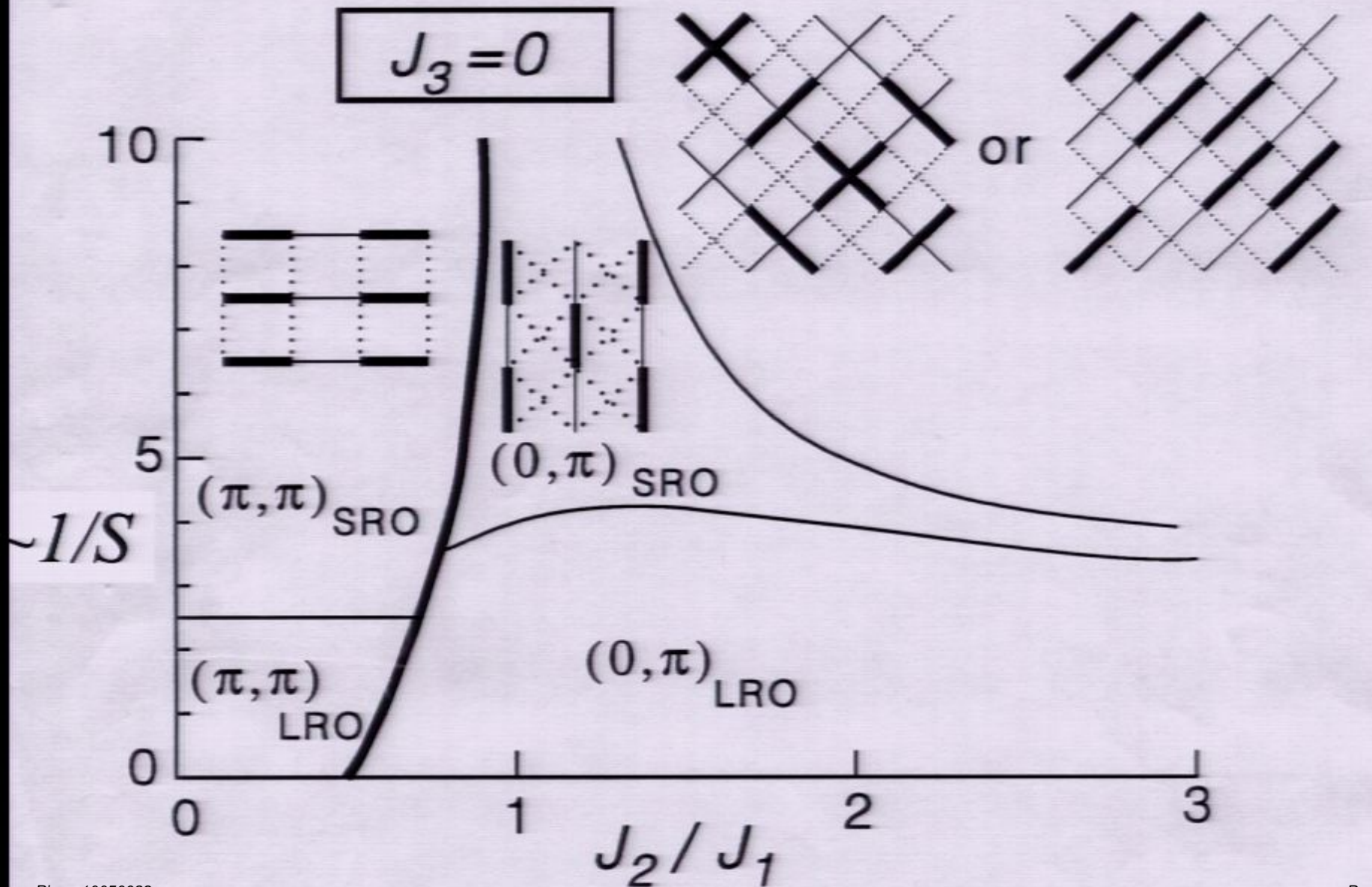
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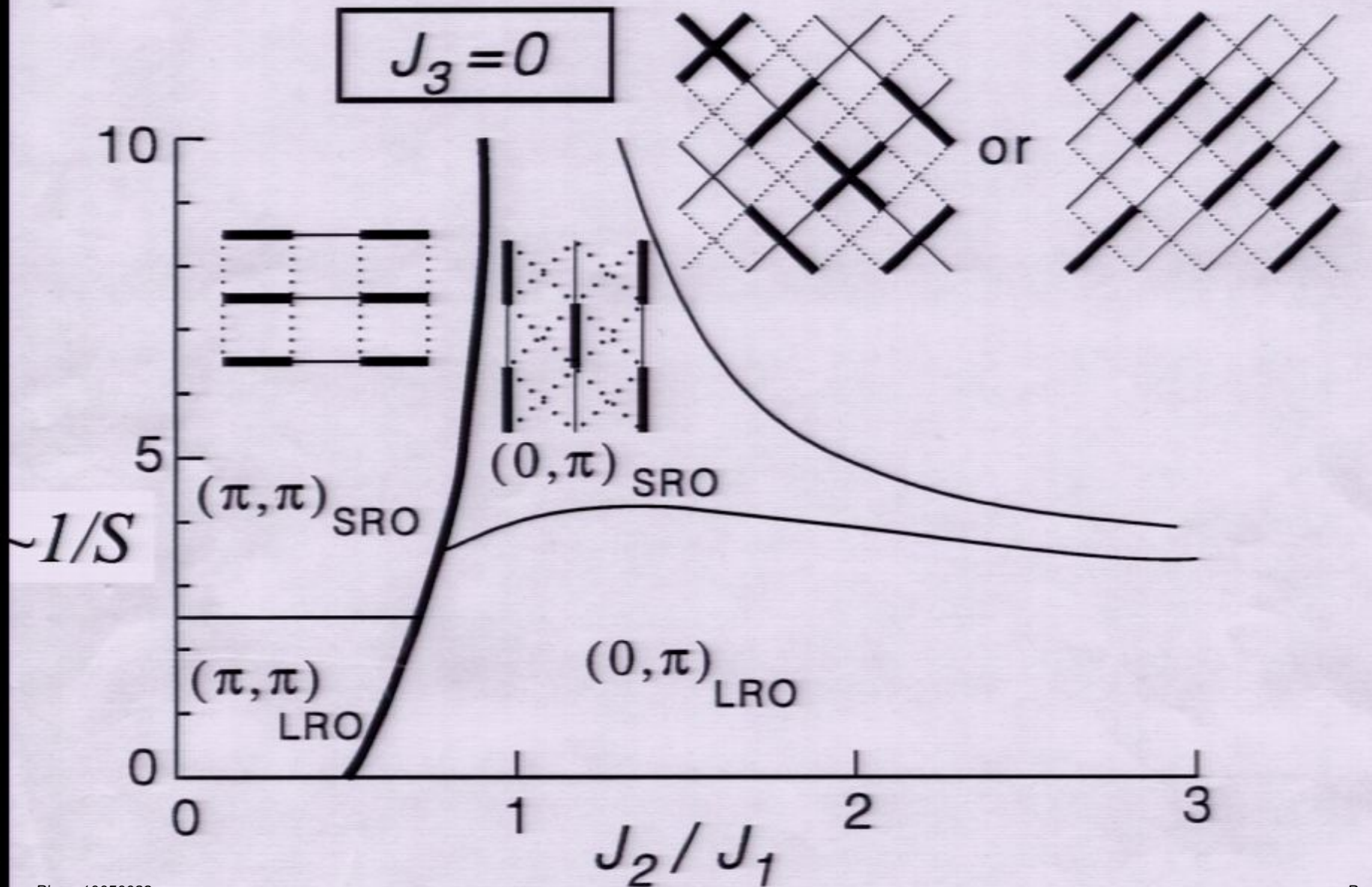
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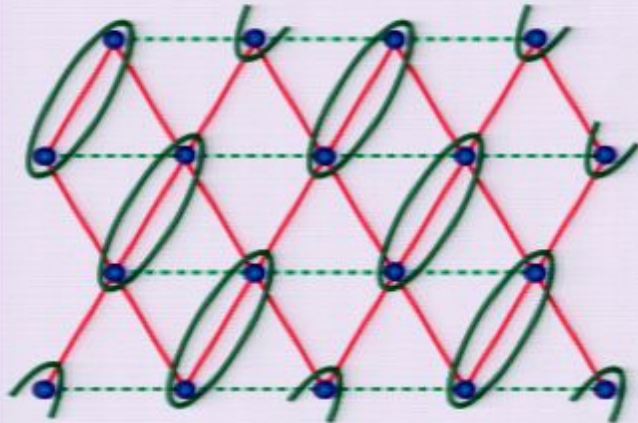


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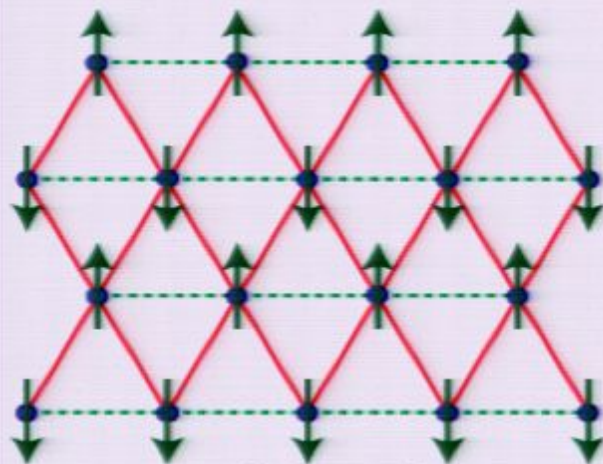


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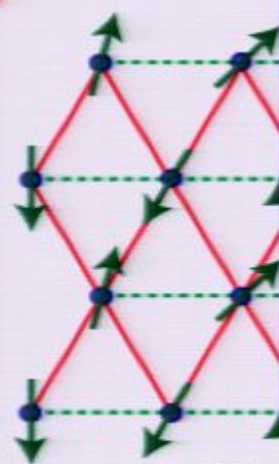
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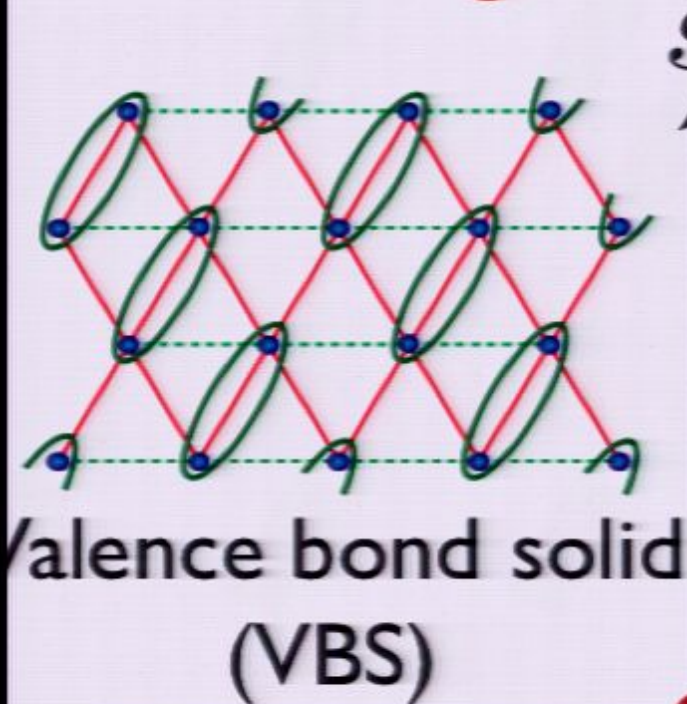
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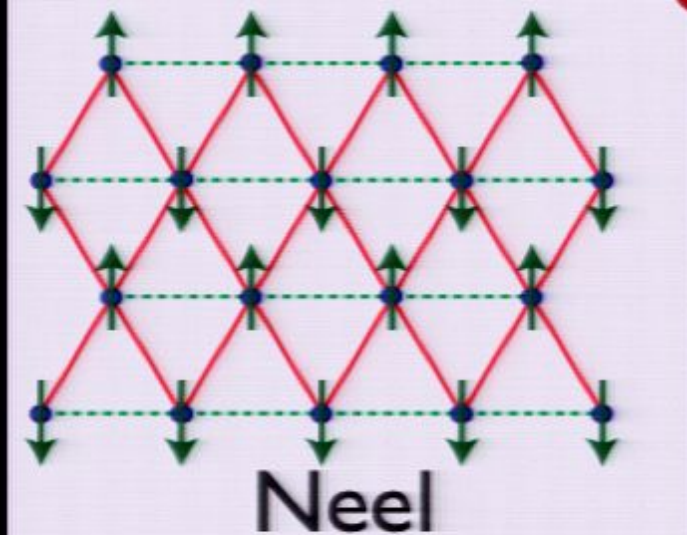
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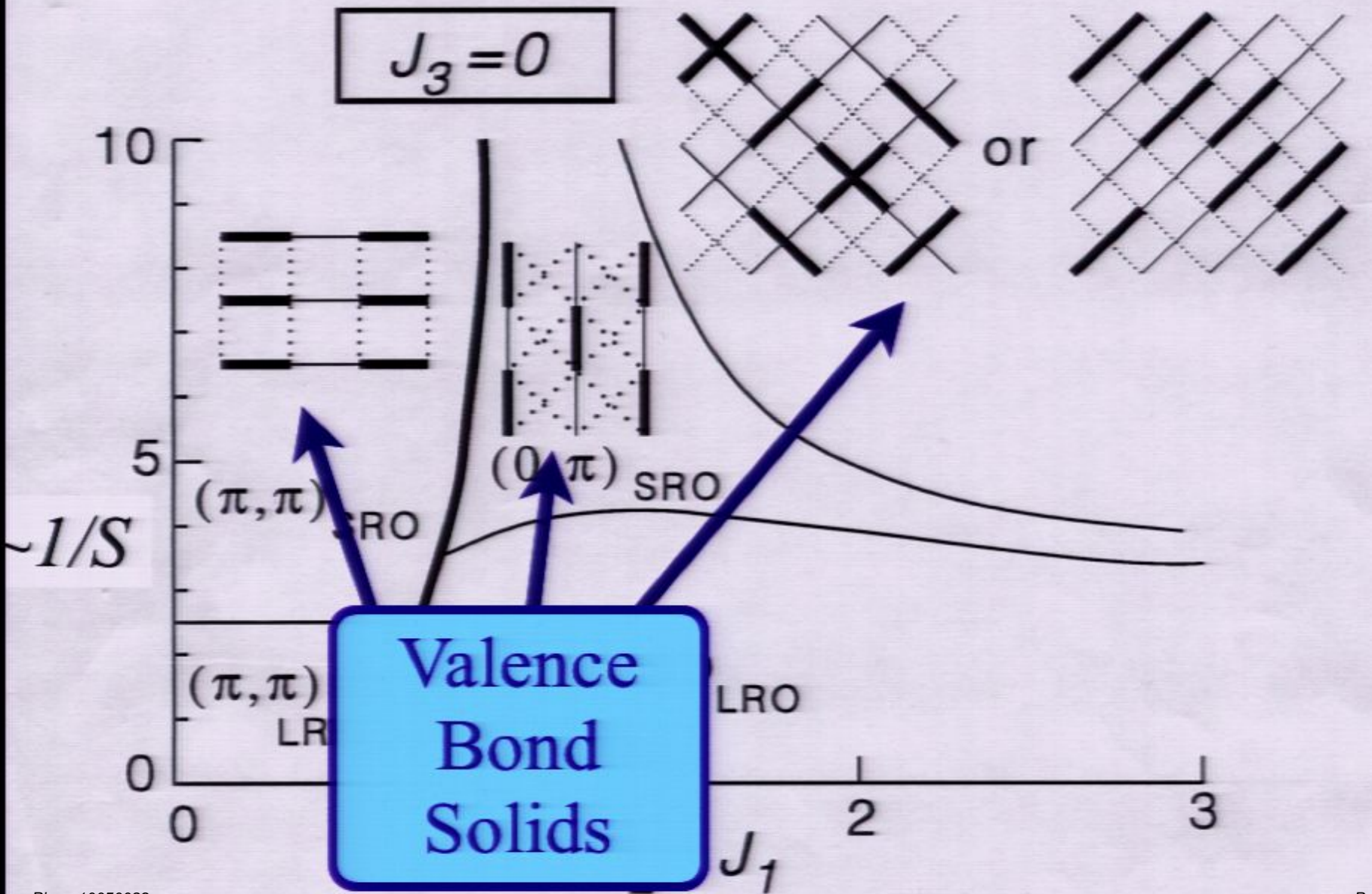


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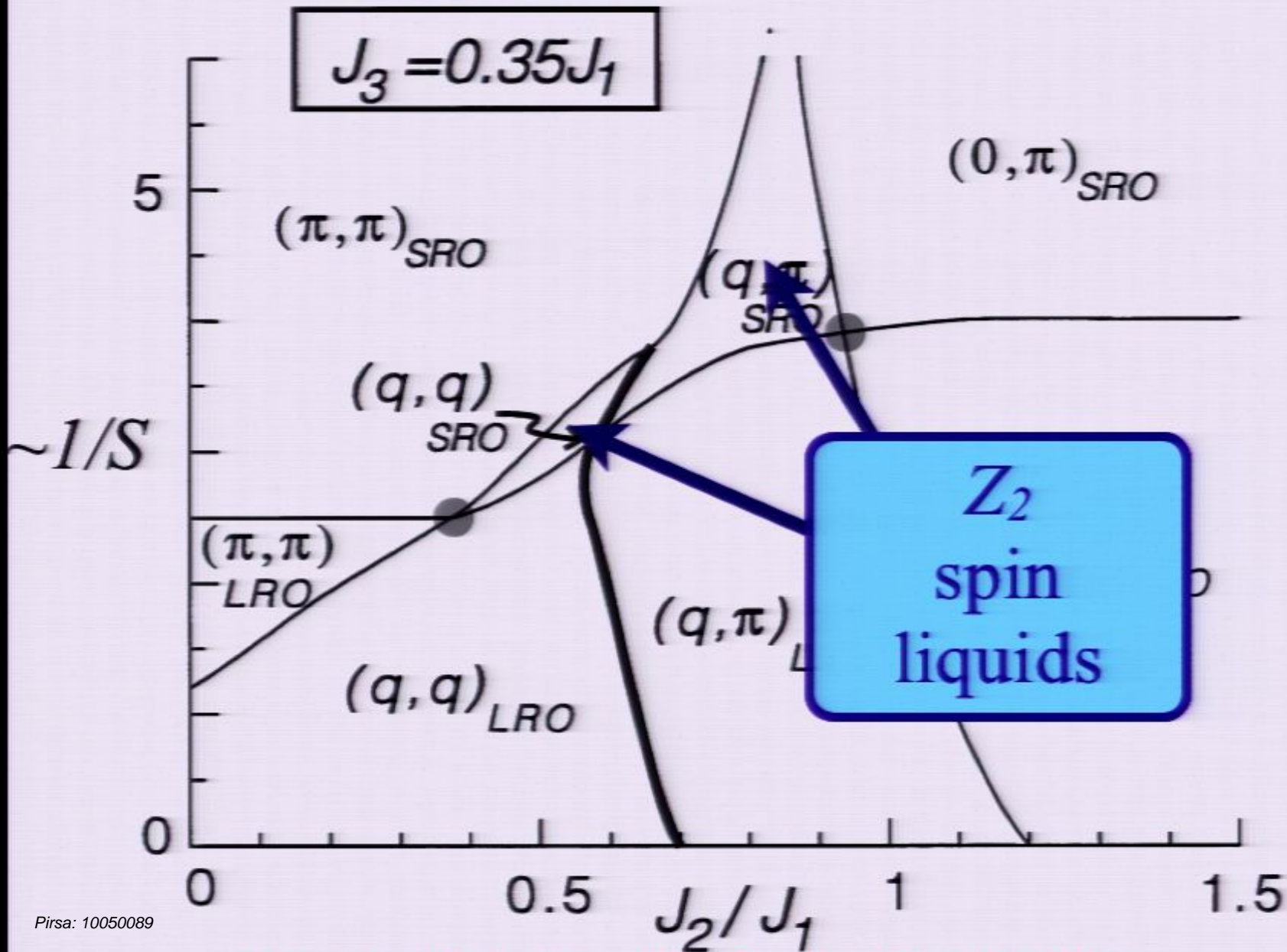


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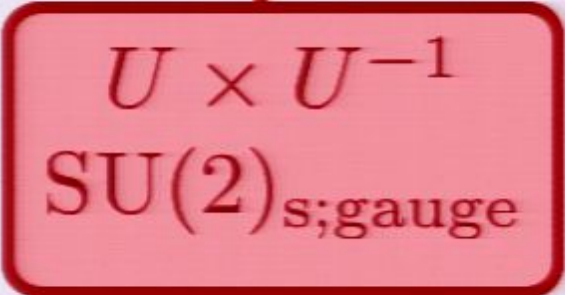
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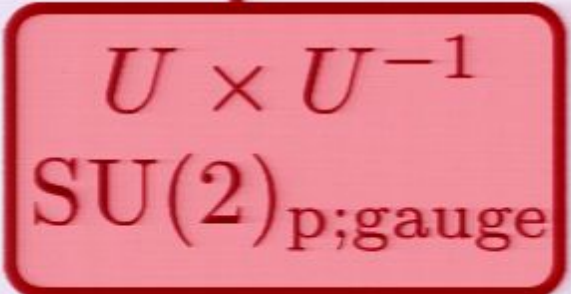
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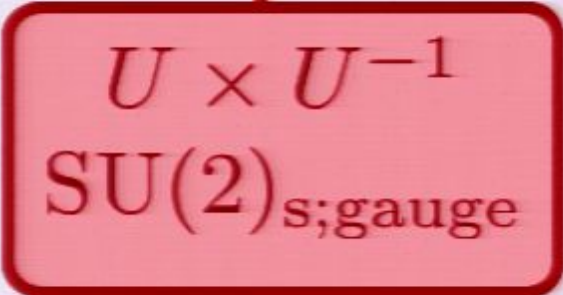
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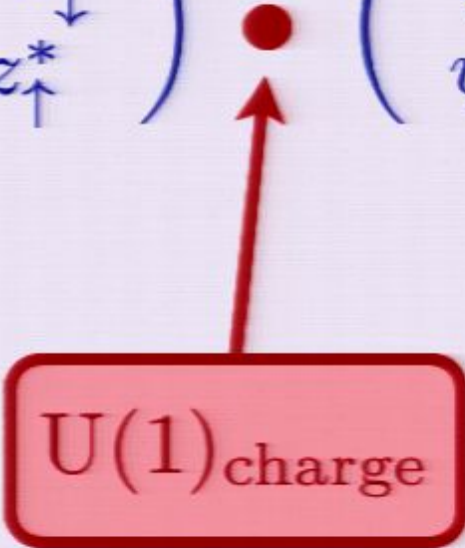
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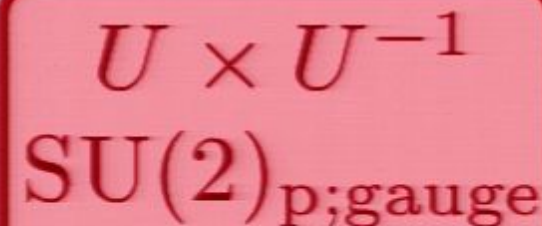
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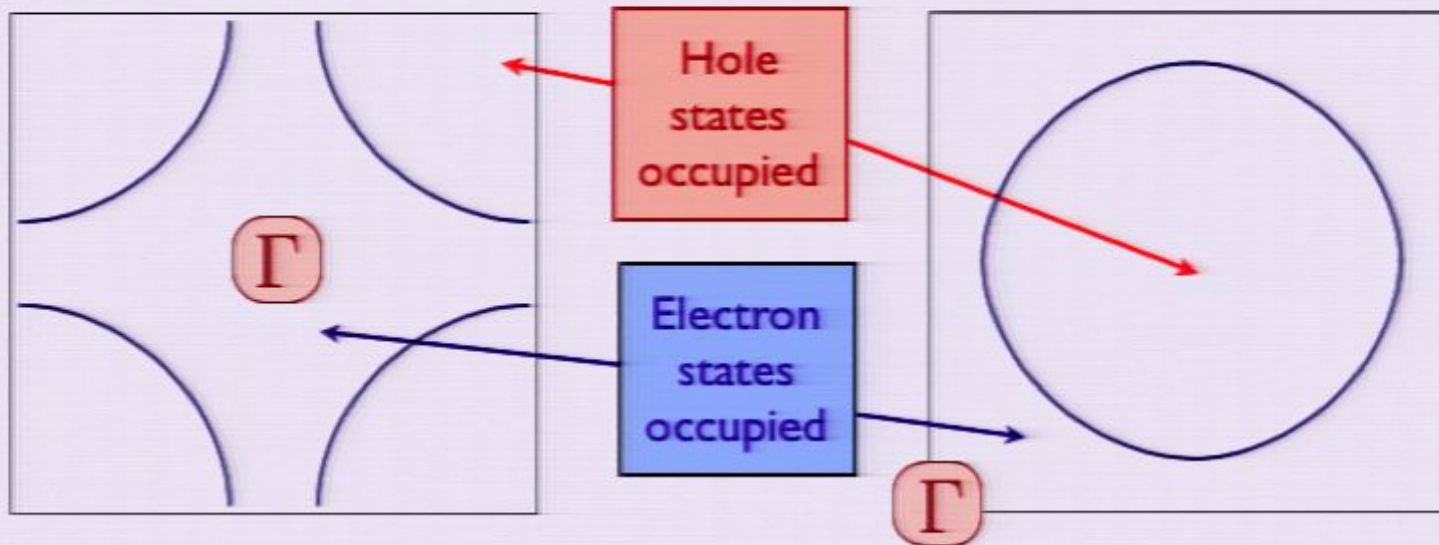
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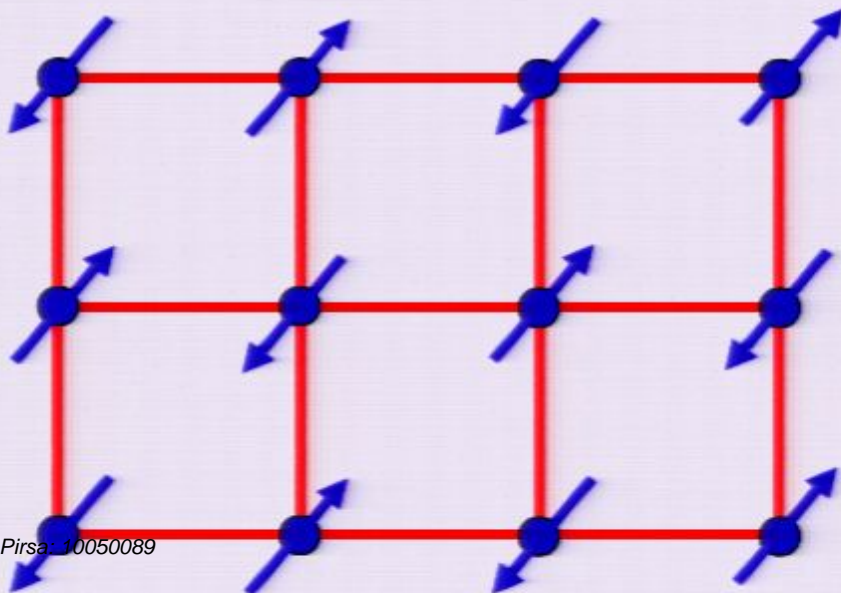
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Fermi surface+antiferromagnetism



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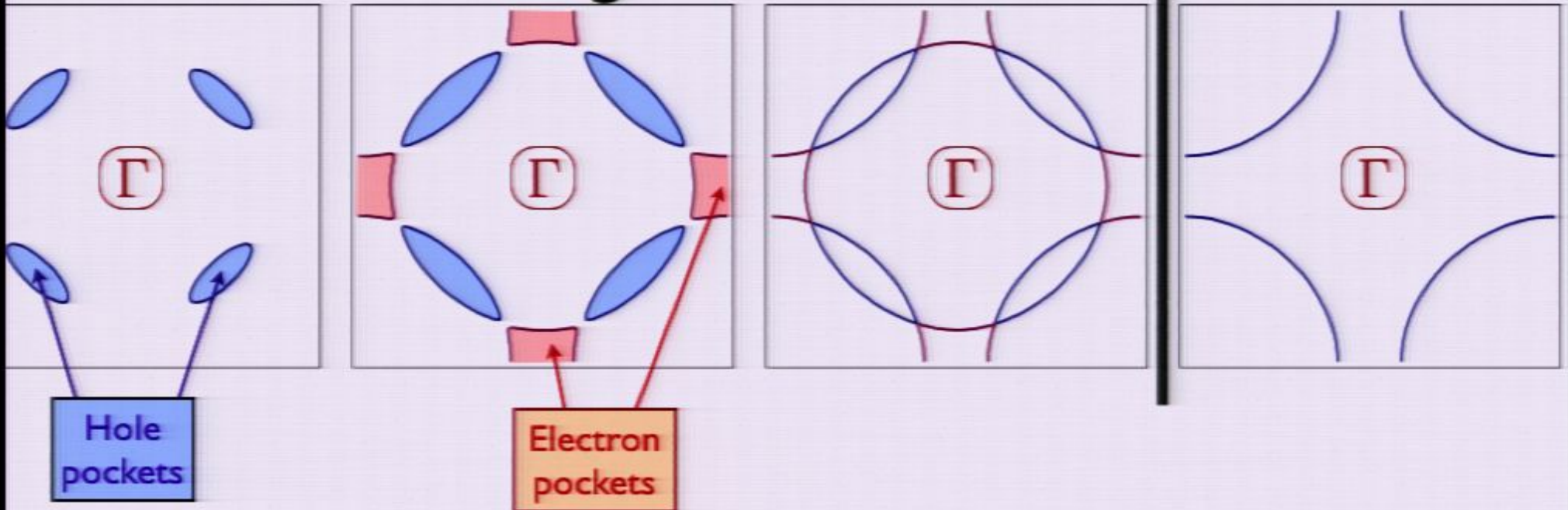
The electron spin polarization obeys

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

where \mathbf{K} is the ordering wavevector.

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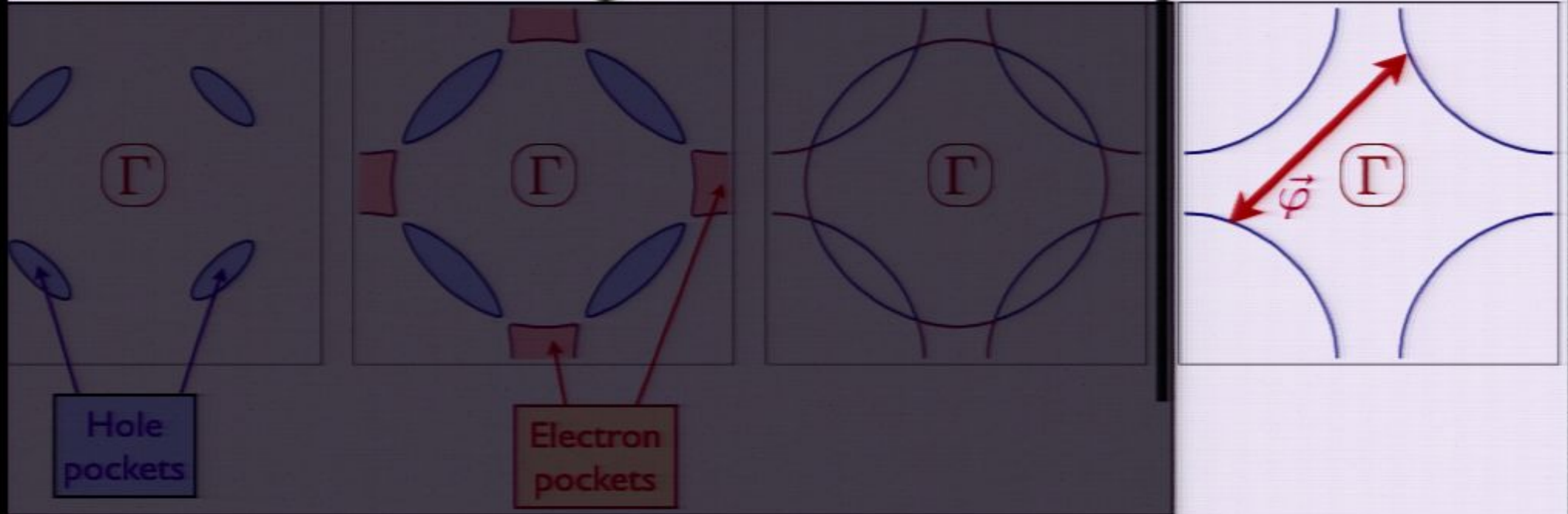
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Large Fermi surface breaks up into
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$\vec{\varphi}$ fluctuations act on the
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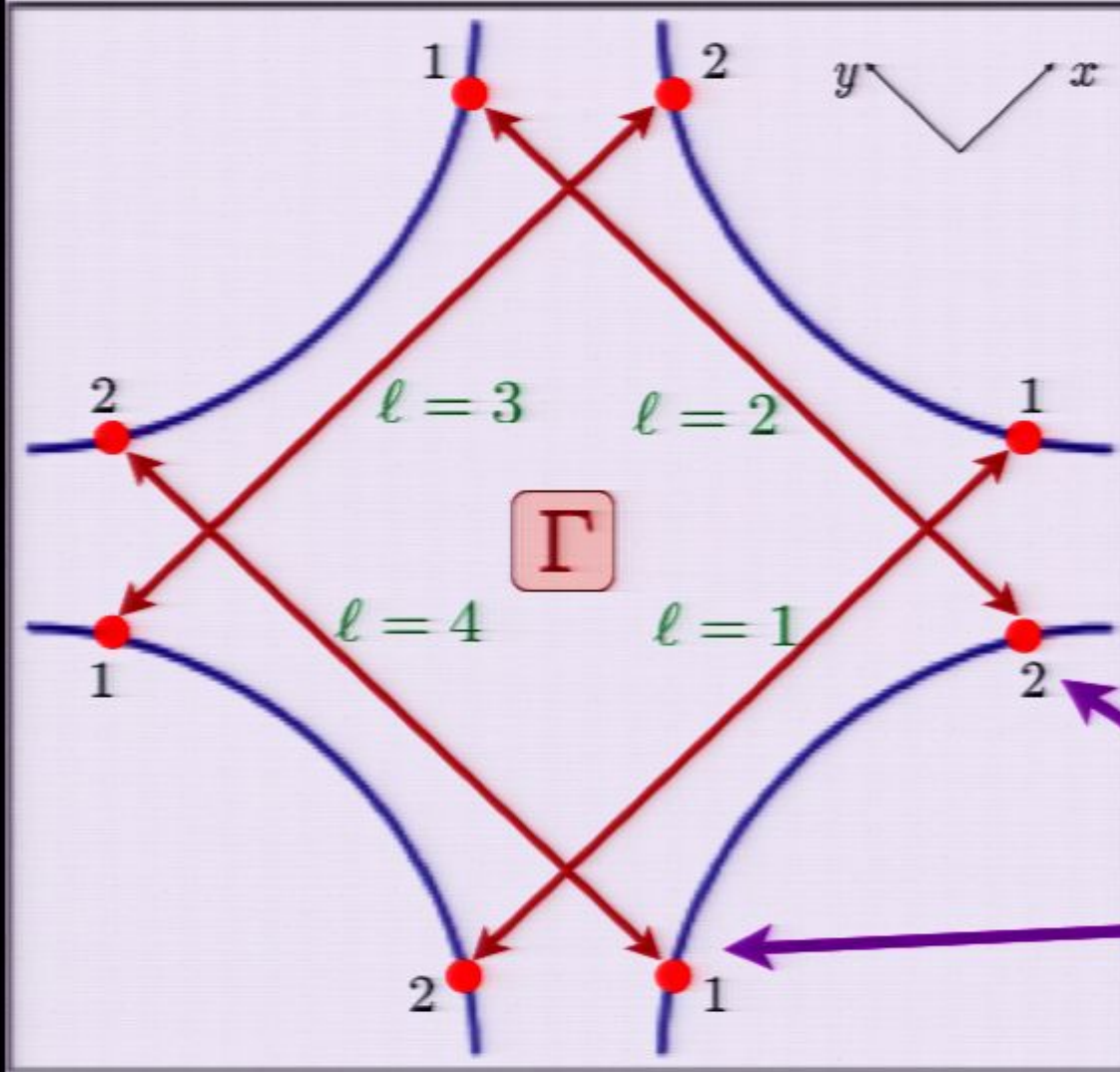
Start from the “spin-fermion” model

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int \mathcal{D}c_\alpha \mathcal{D}\vec{\varphi} \exp(-\mathcal{S})$$

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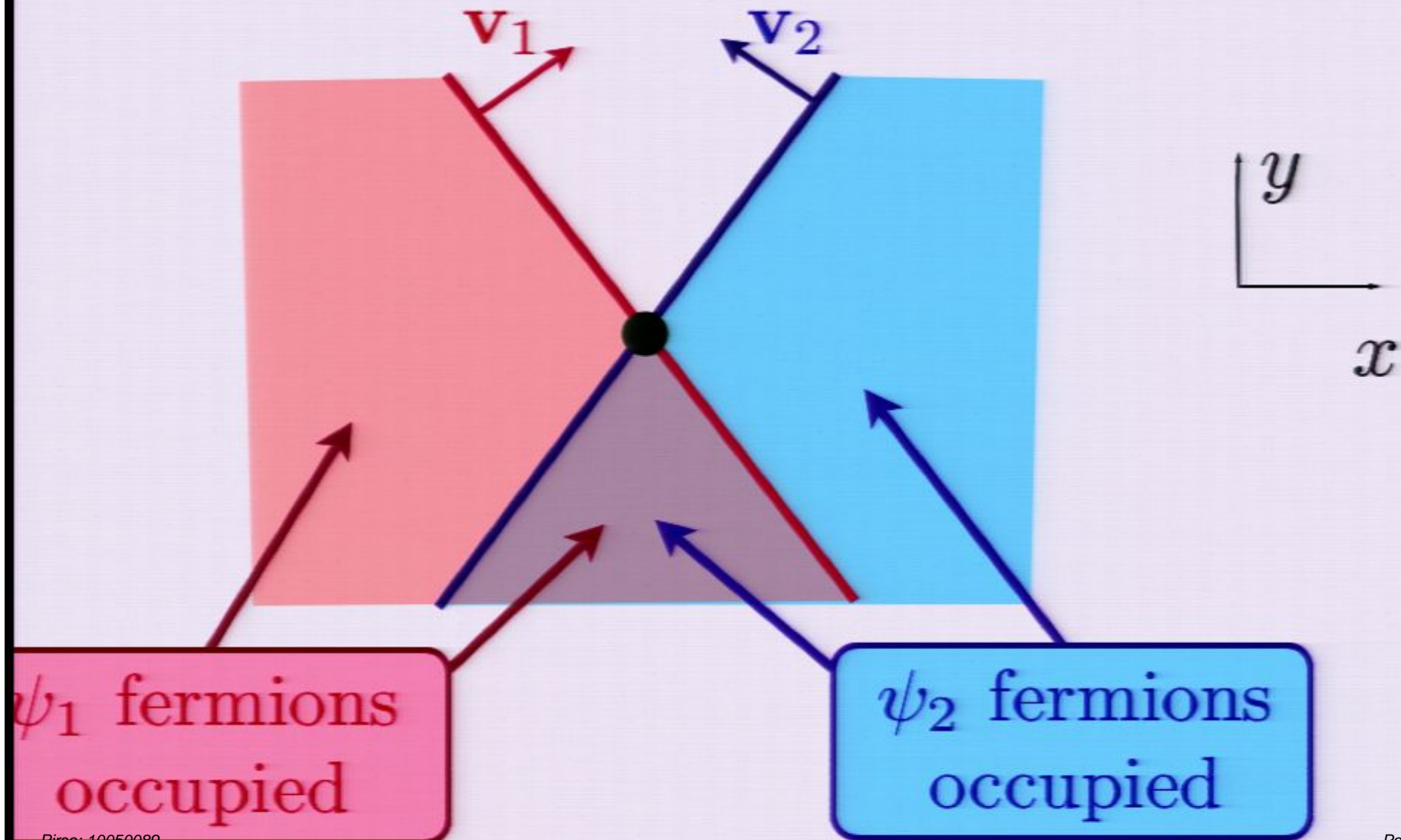


Low energy fermions
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 $l = 1, \dots, 4$

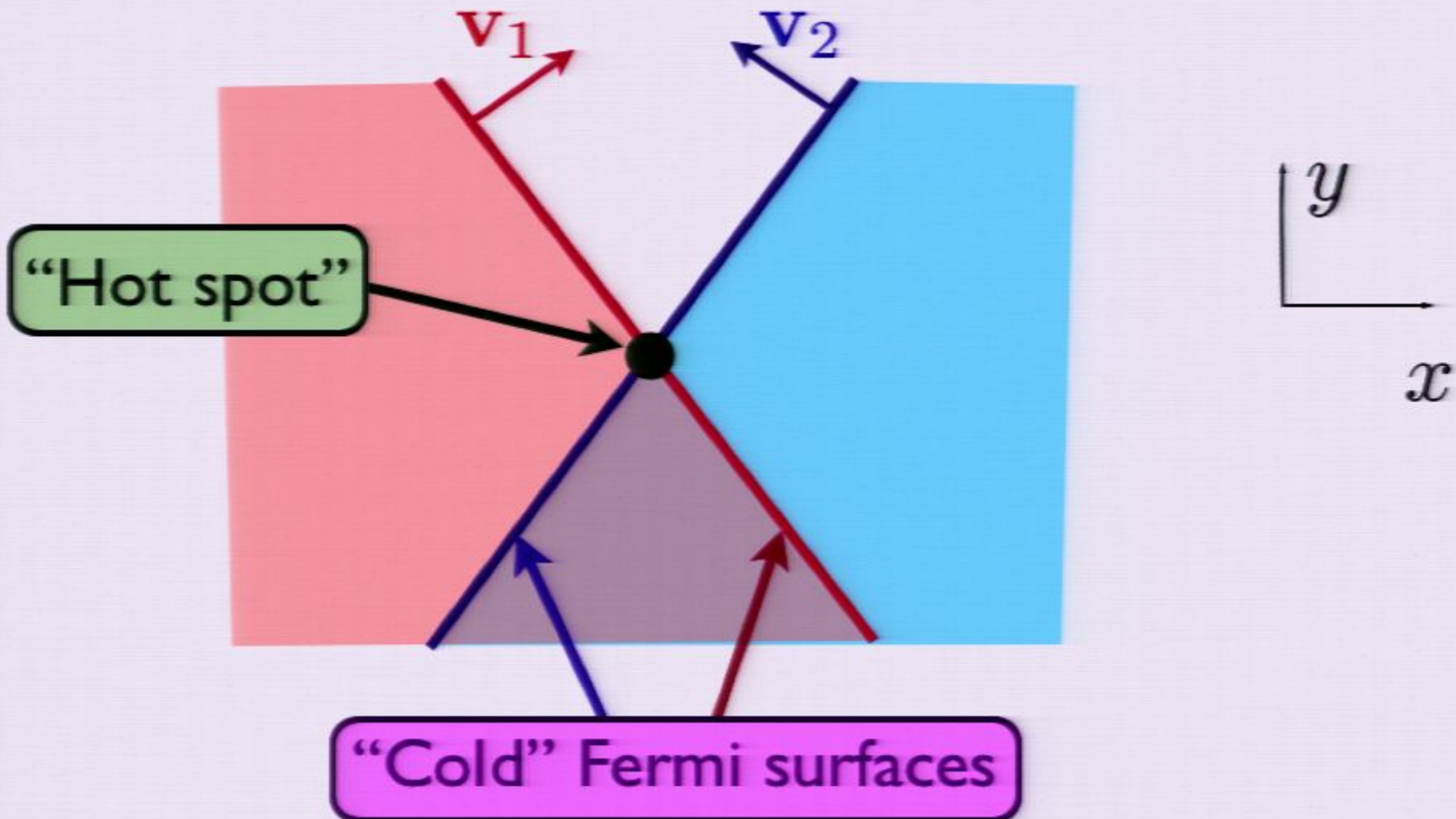
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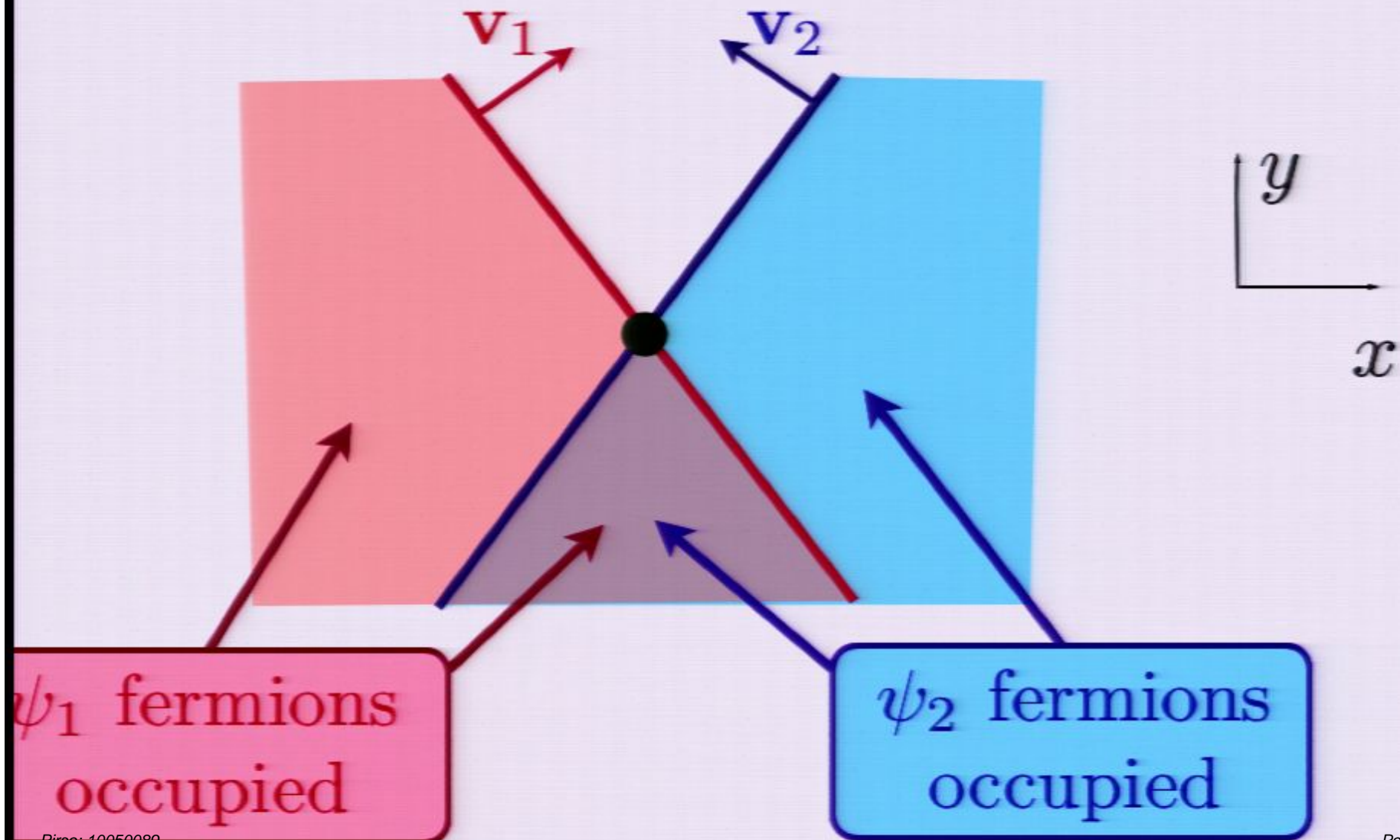
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$$\mathcal{L}_\varphi = \frac{1}{2} \vec{\varphi}^2 [\mathbf{q}^2 + \gamma |\omega|] / 2 \quad ; \quad \gamma = \frac{2}{\pi v_x v_y}$$

exponent $z = 2$ and mean-field criticality (upto logarithms)

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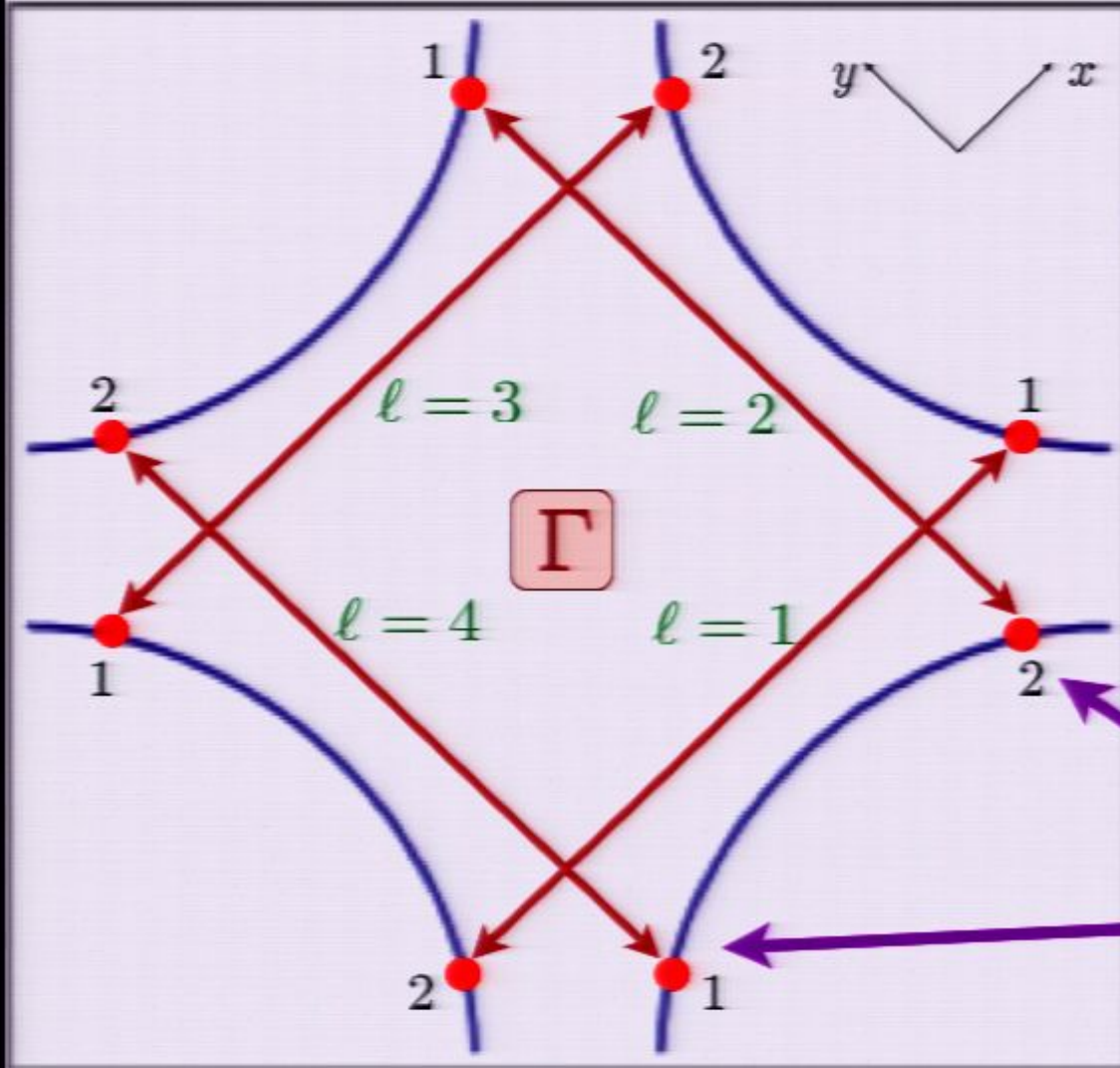
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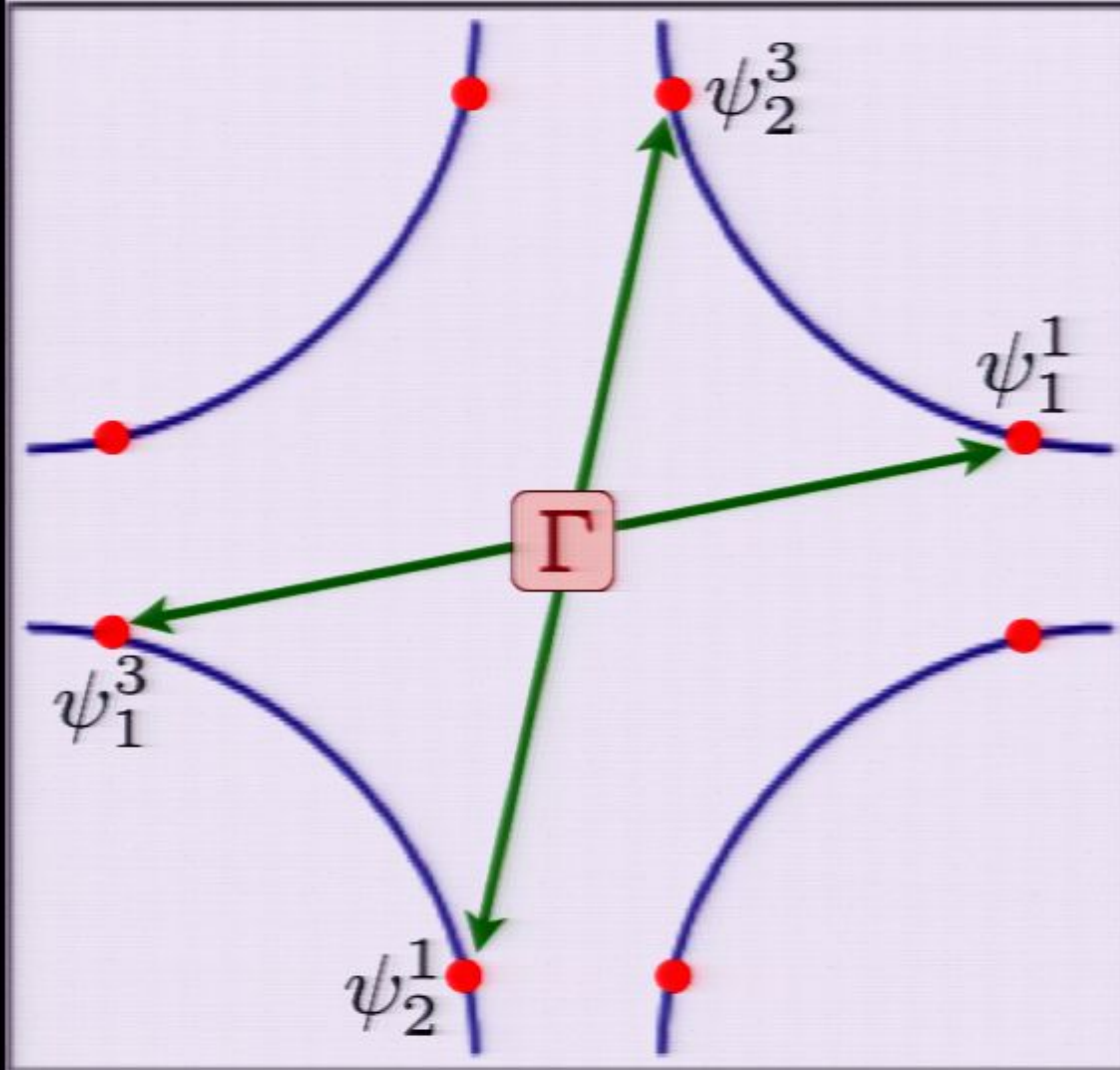
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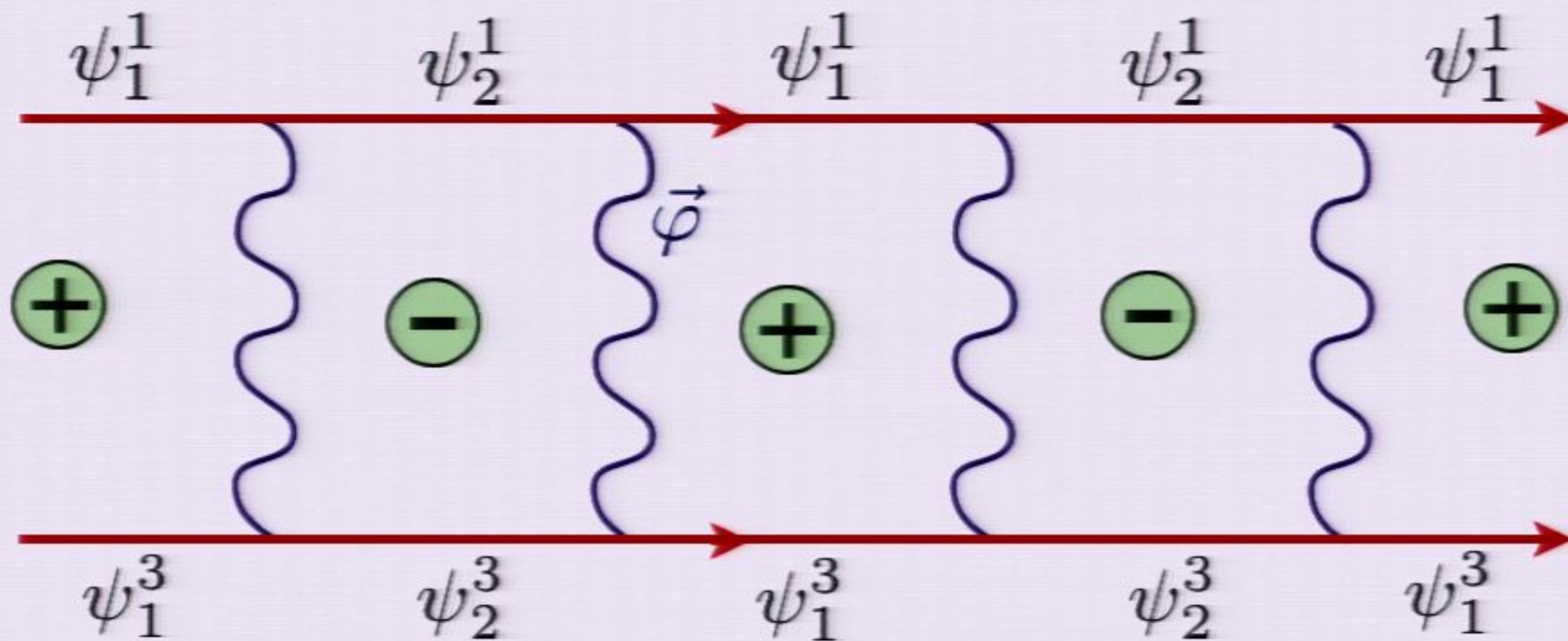
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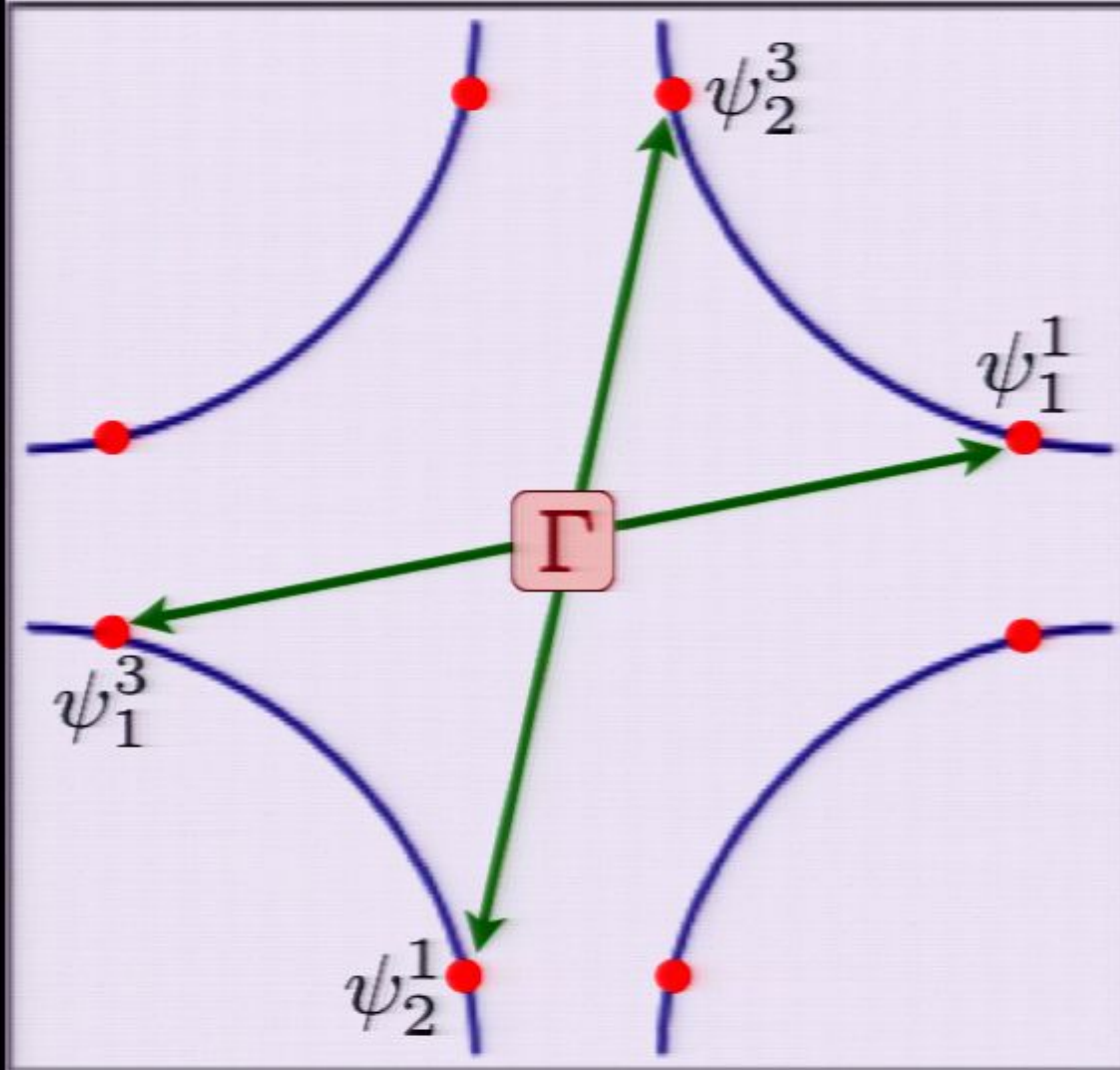
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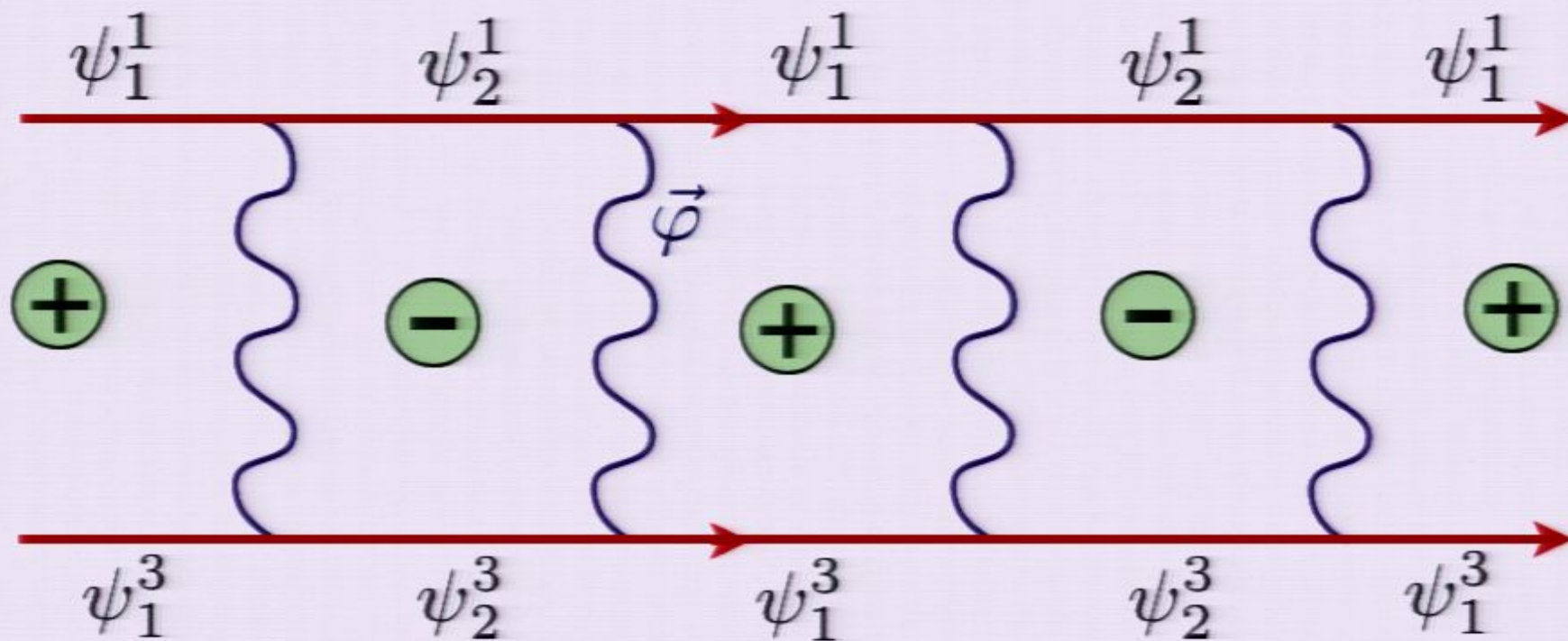
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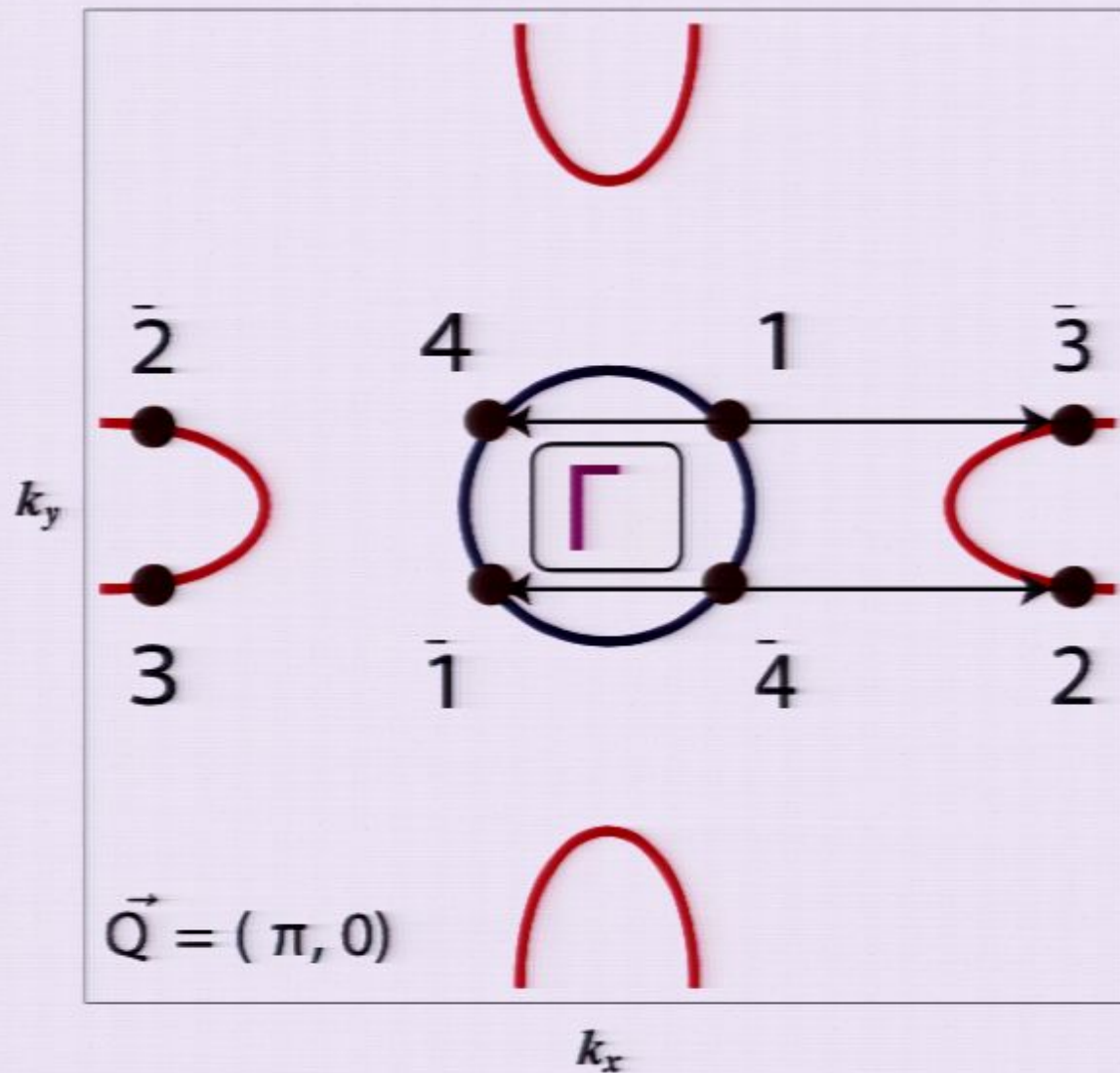
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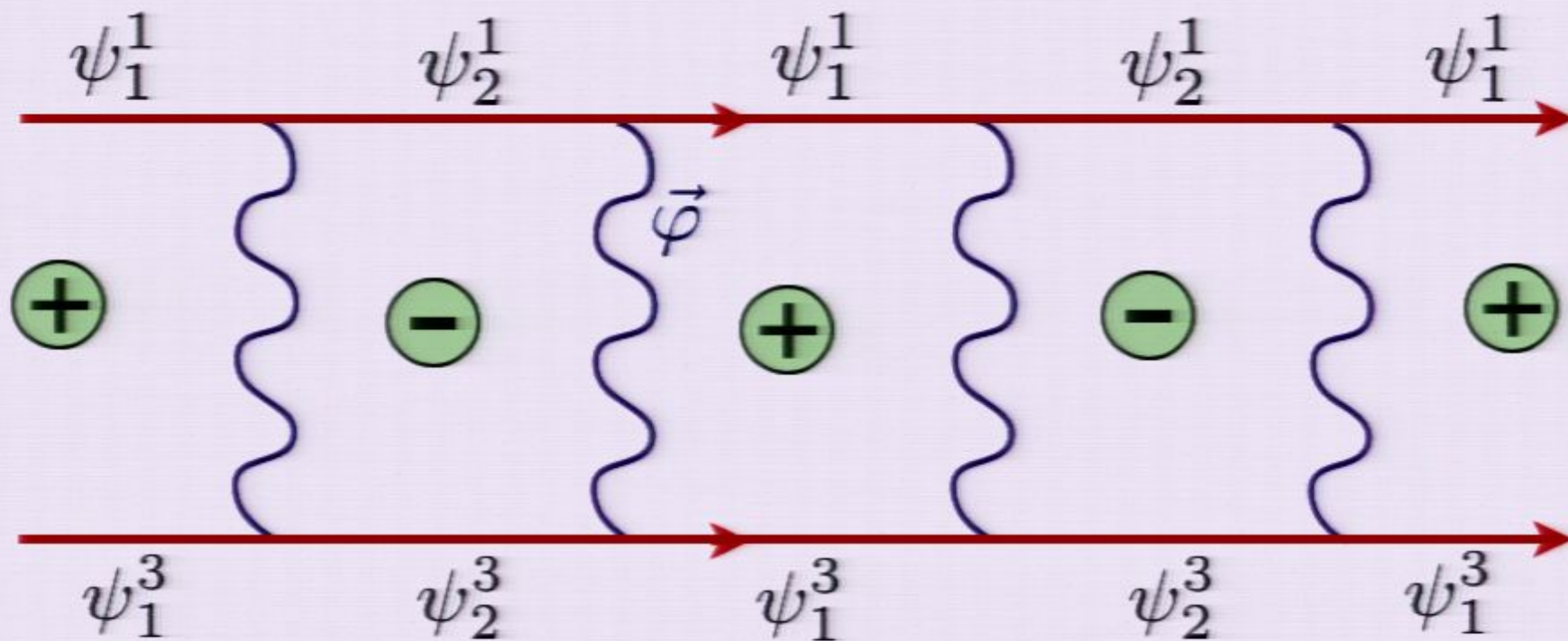
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Emergent Pseudospin symmetry

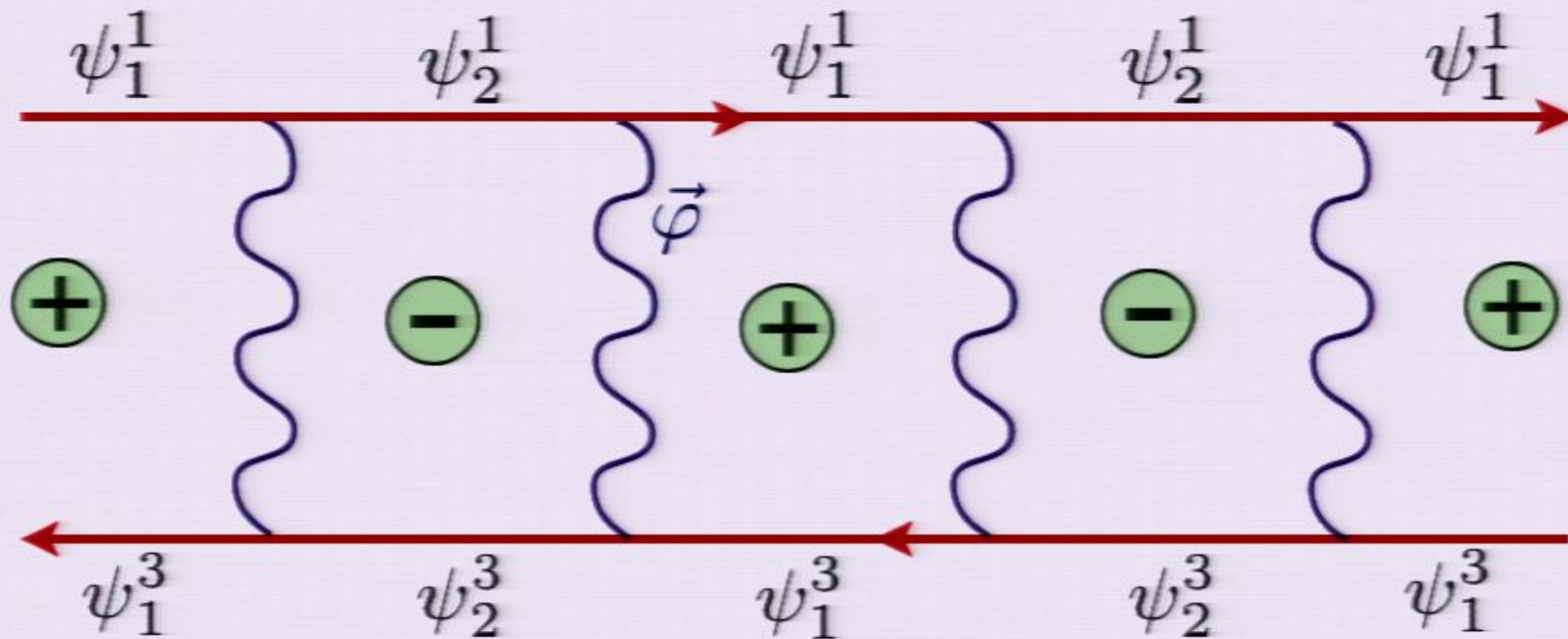
Continuum theory of hotspots is invariant under:

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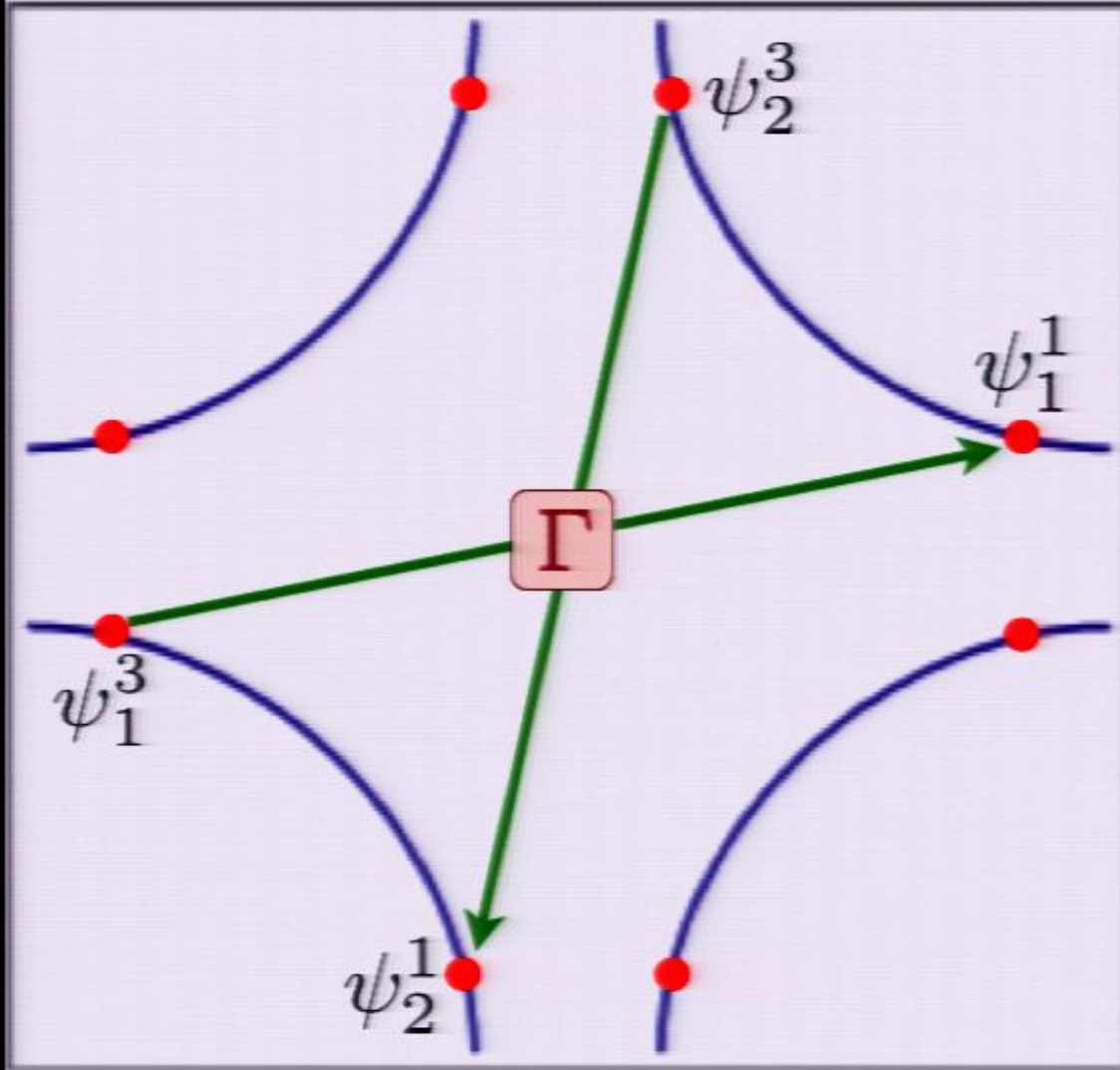
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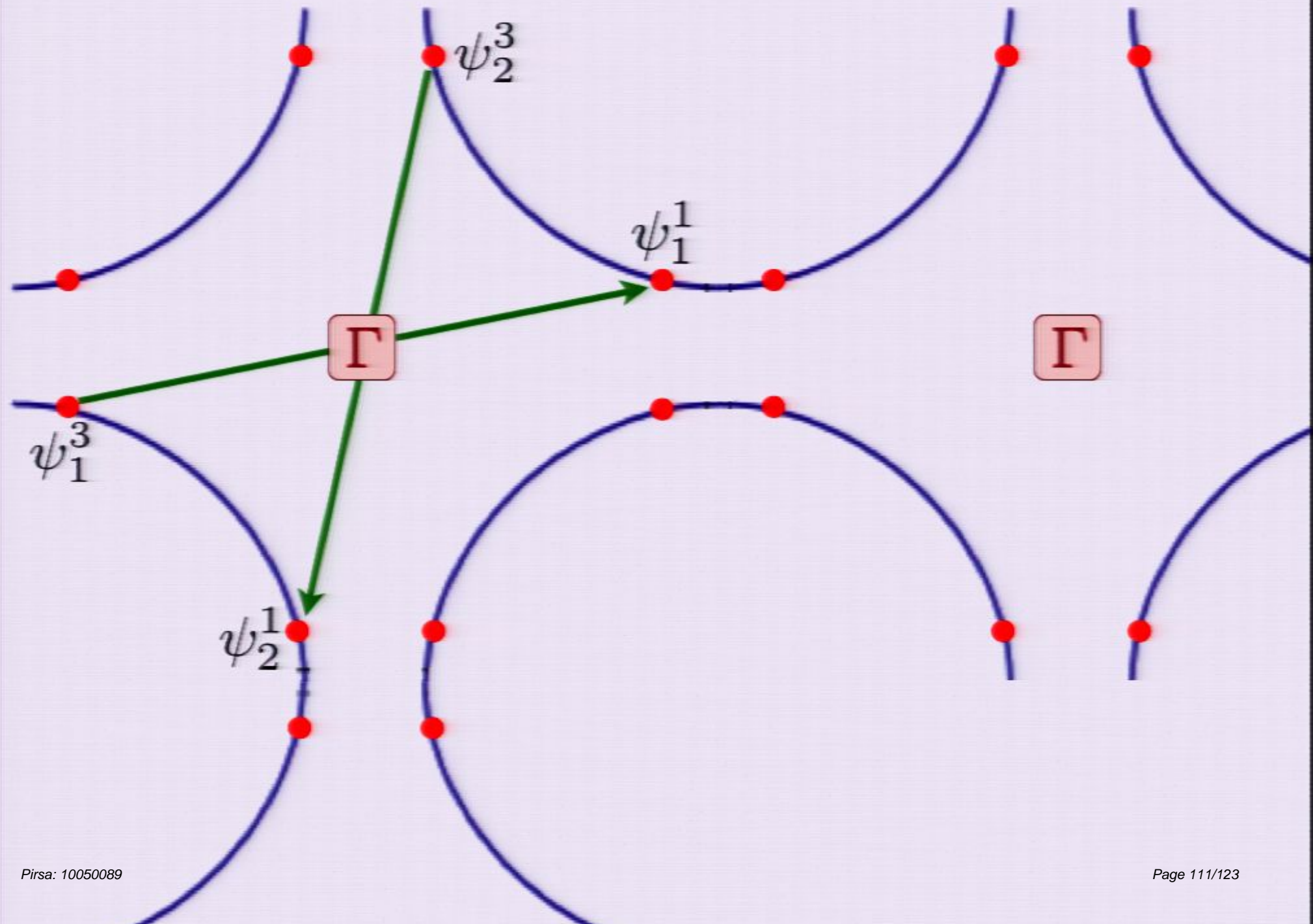
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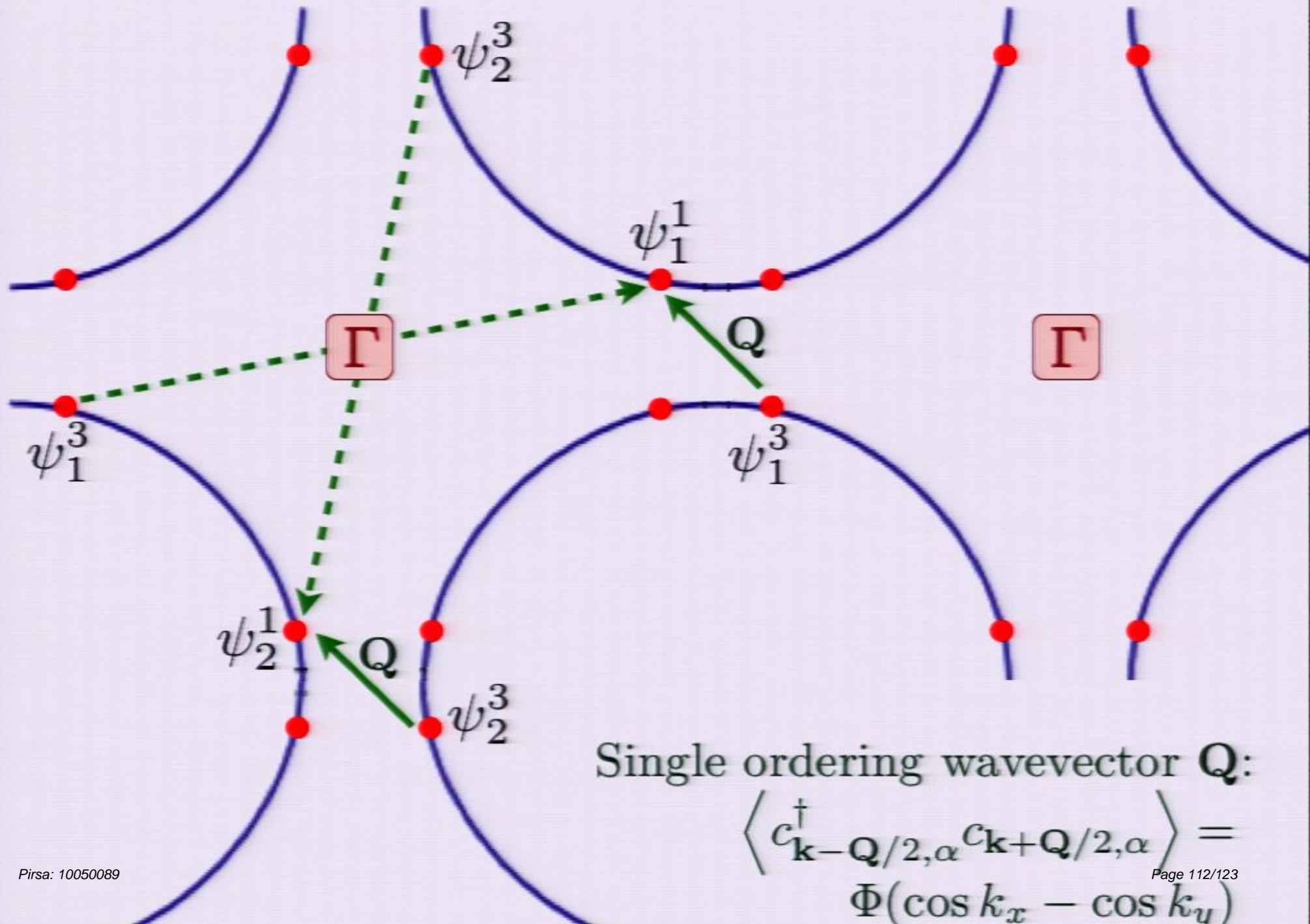


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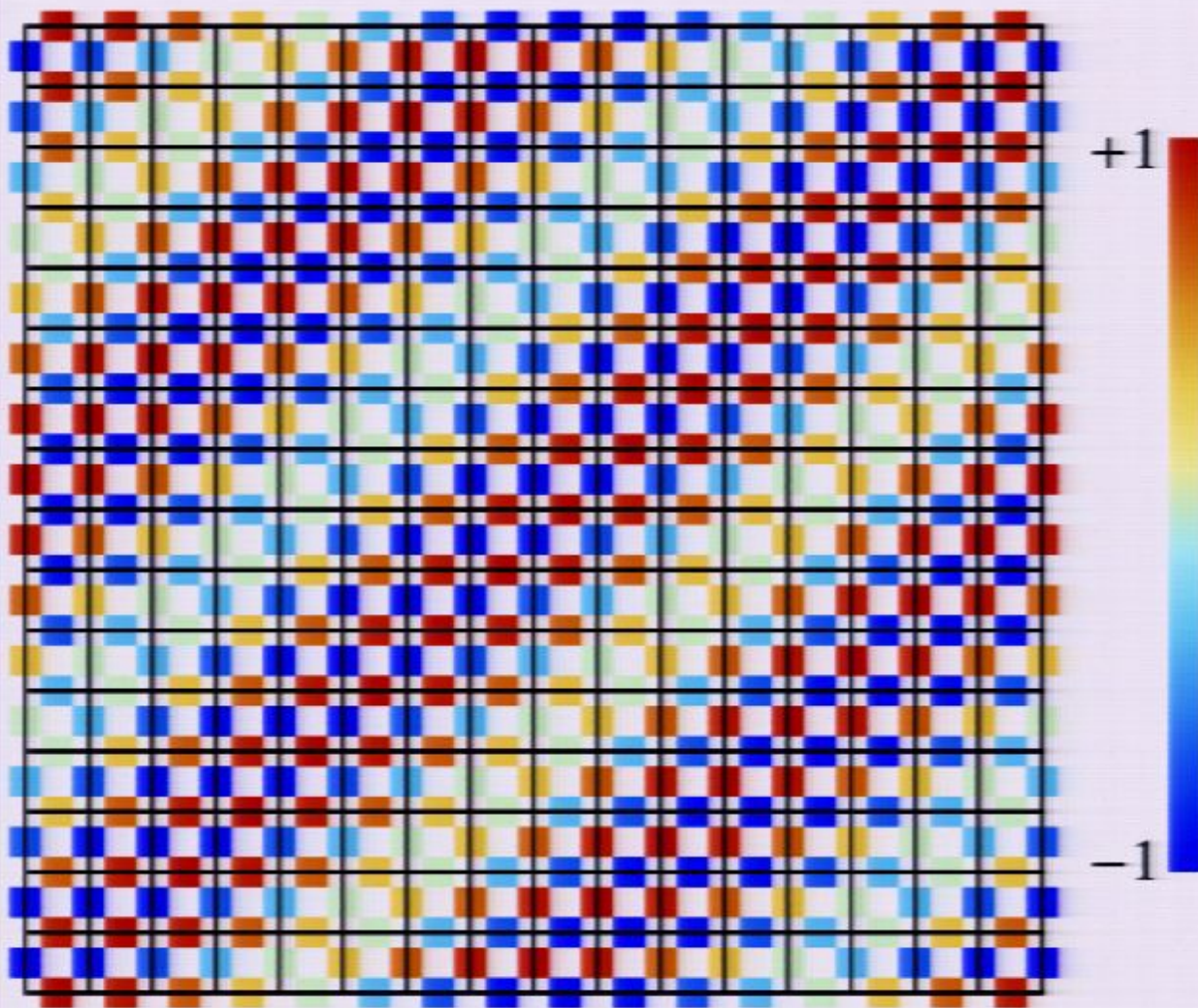
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Single ordering wavevector Q :

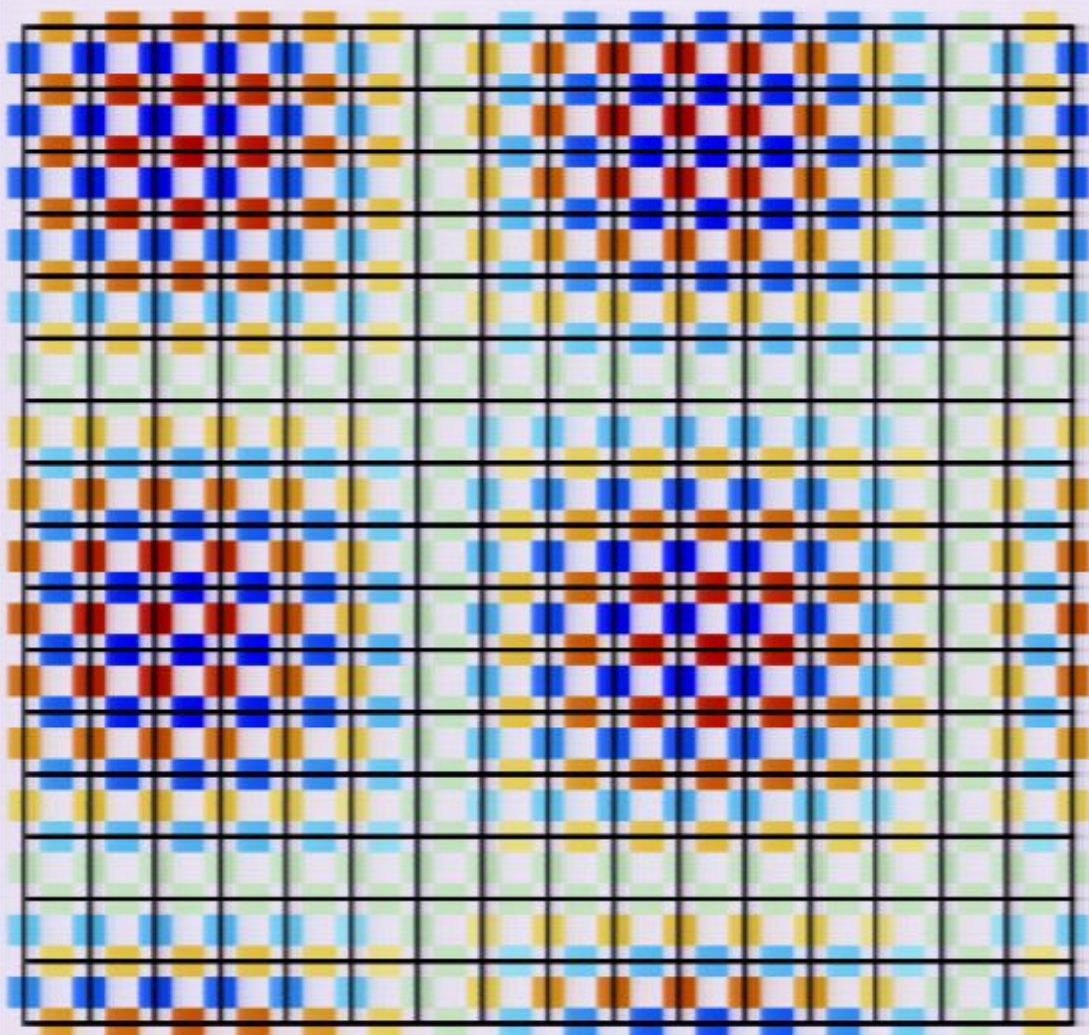
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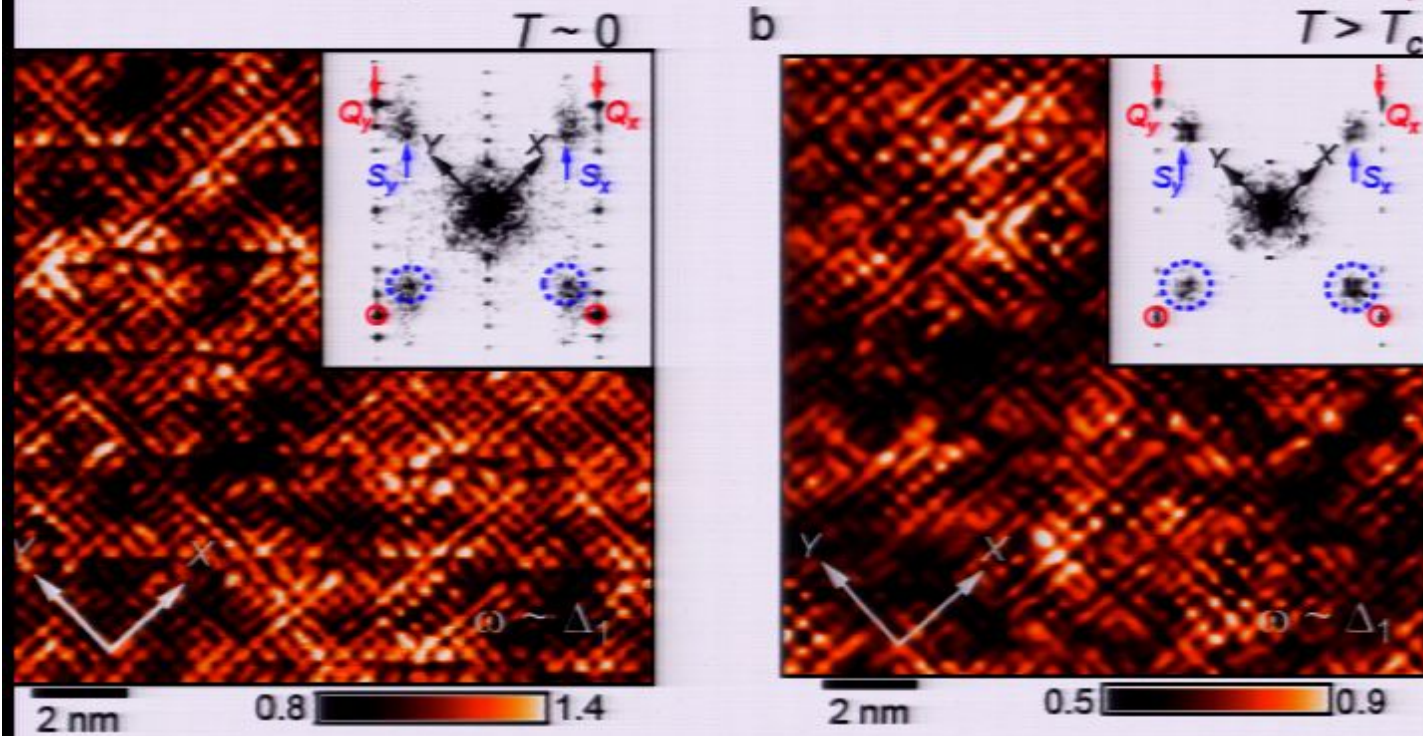
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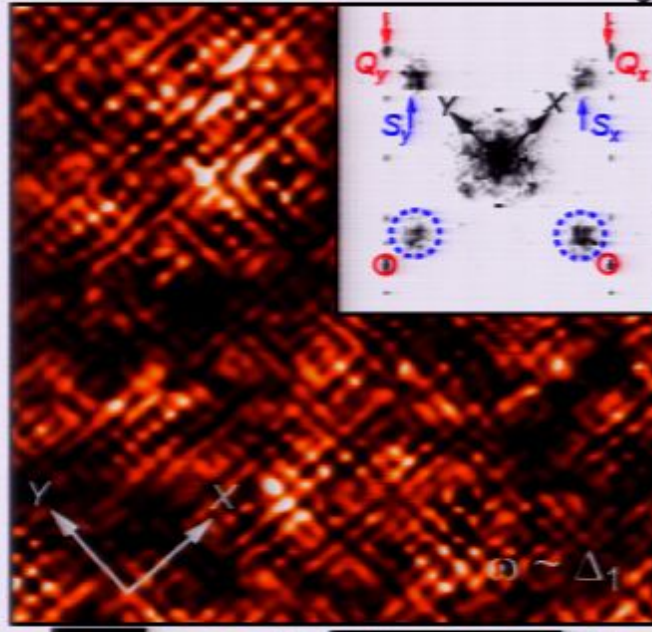
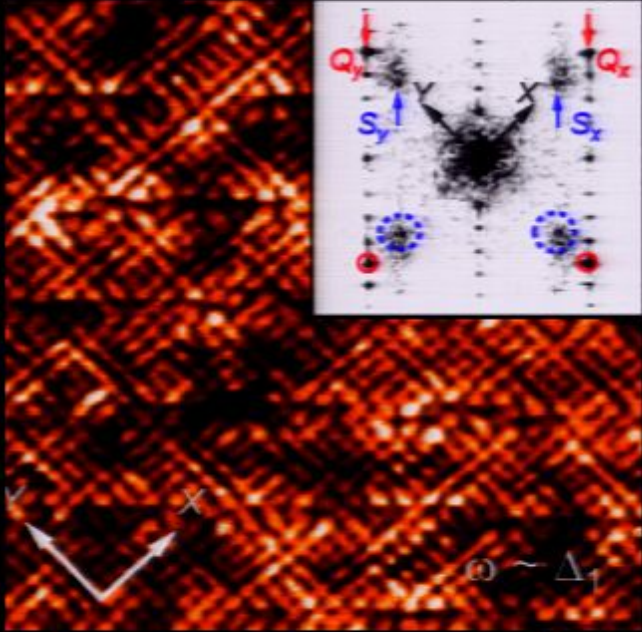
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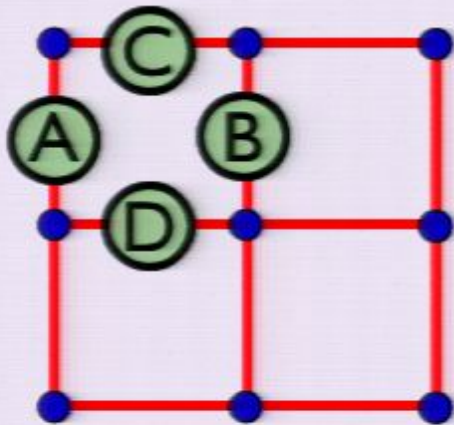
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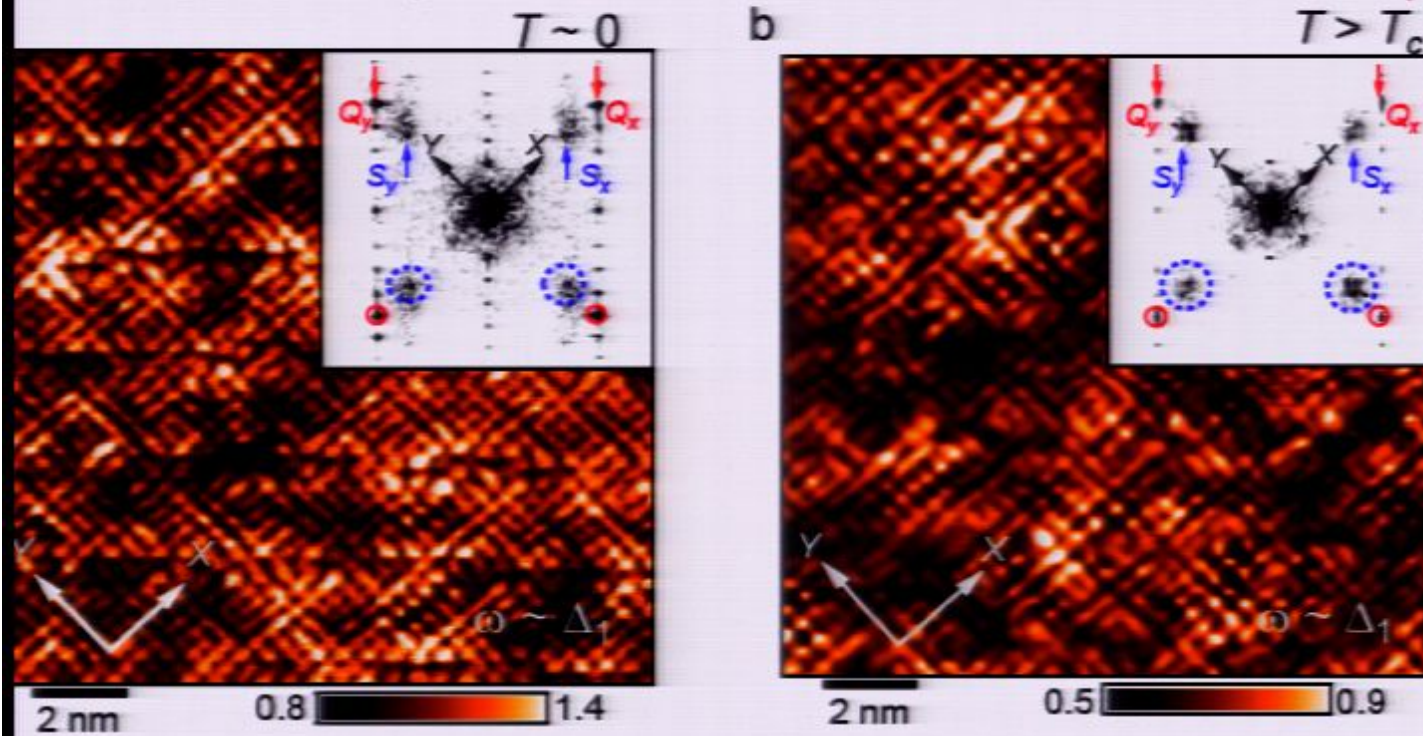


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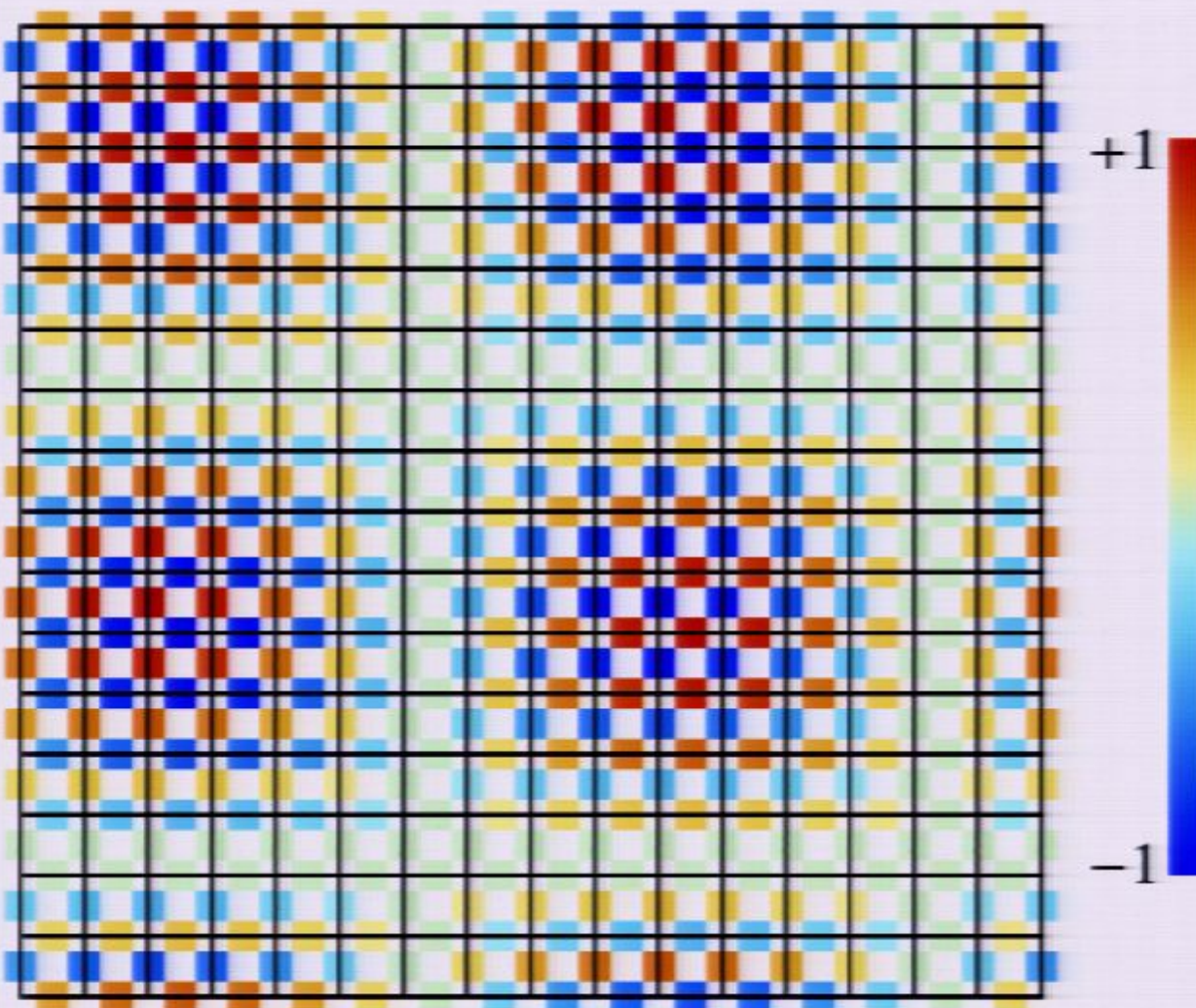


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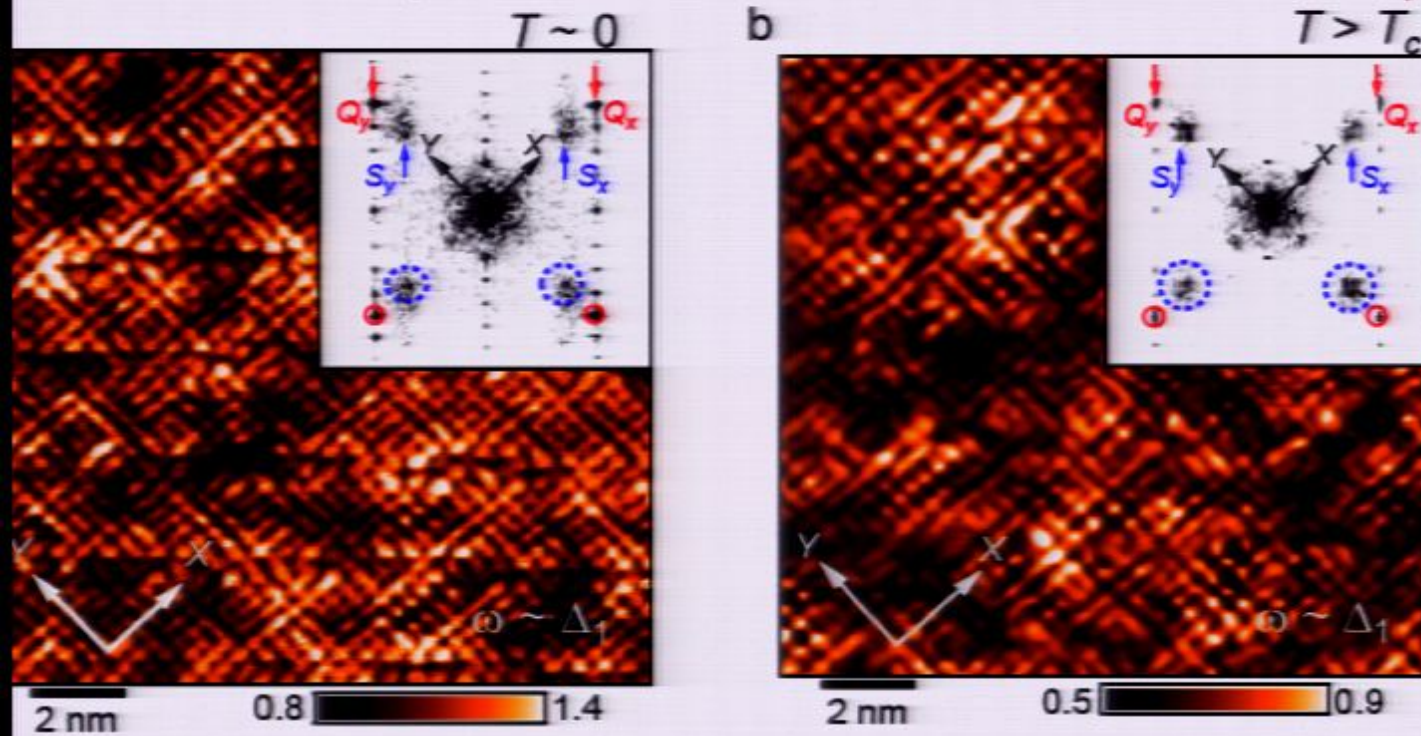


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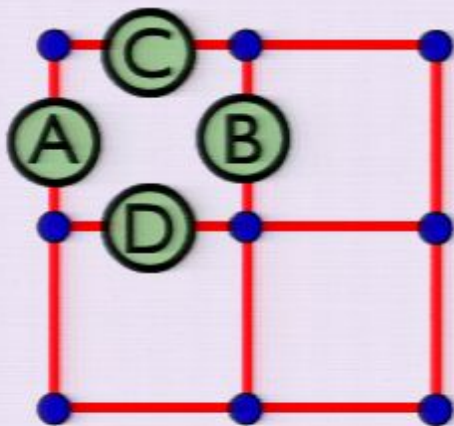
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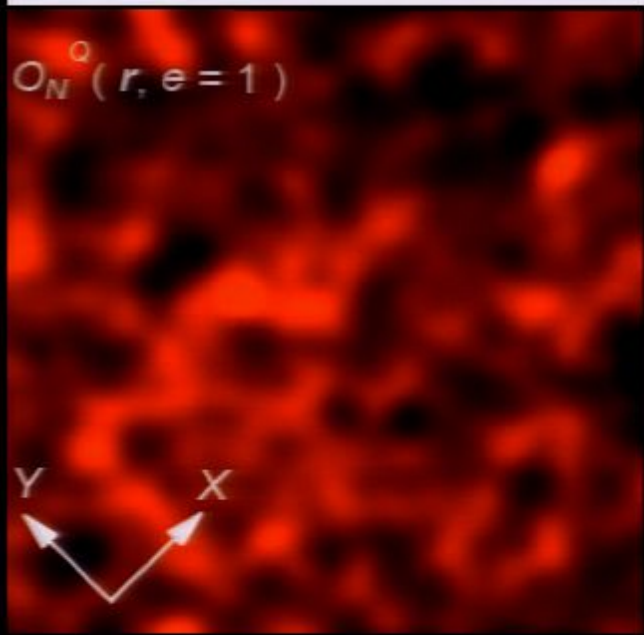
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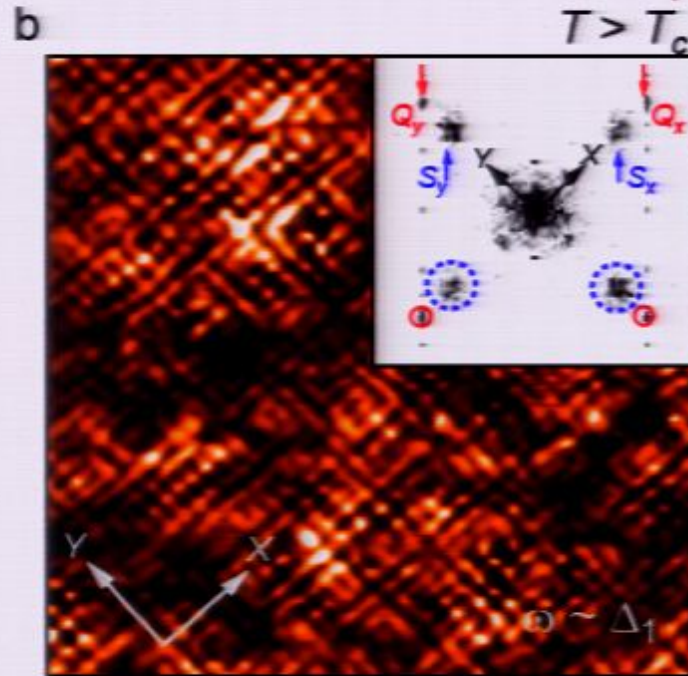
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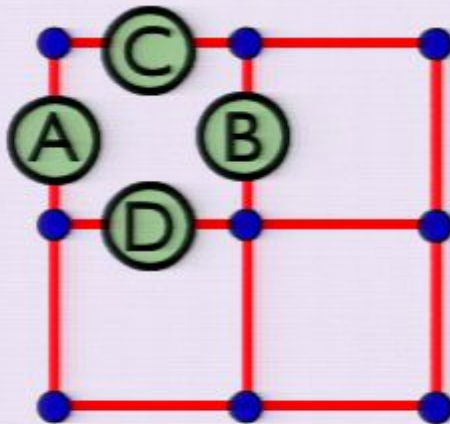


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