

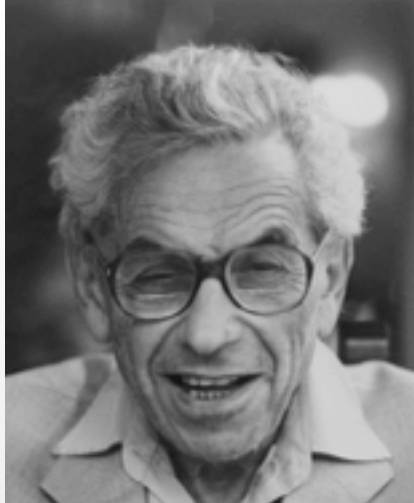
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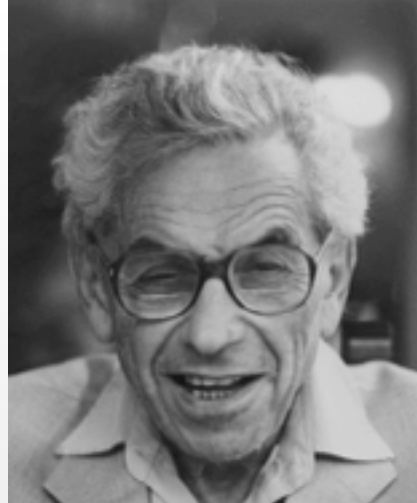
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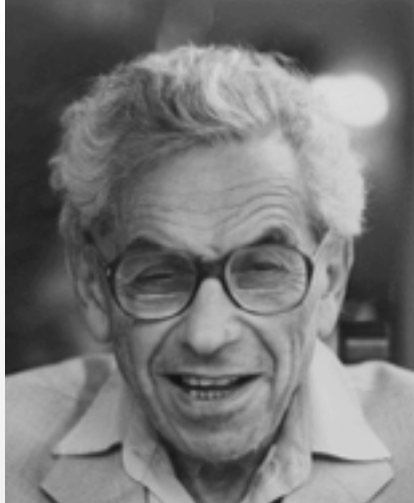
Terence Tao successfully attacks the Erdős discrepancy problem by building on an online collaboration.

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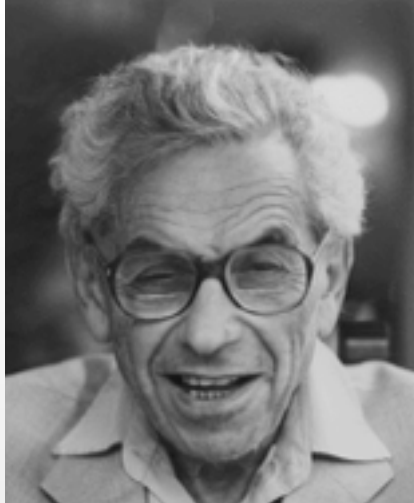
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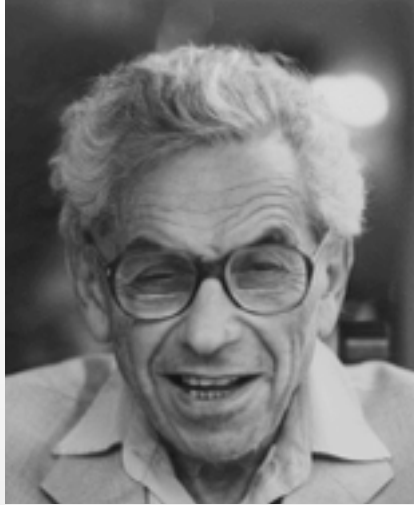
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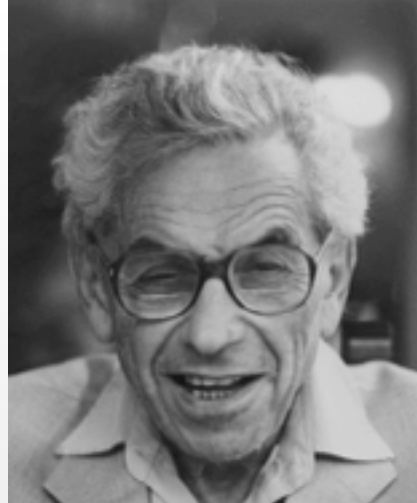
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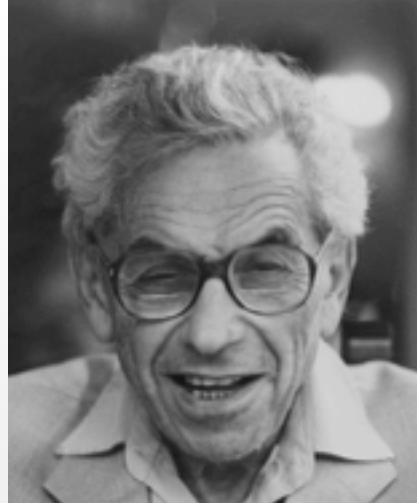
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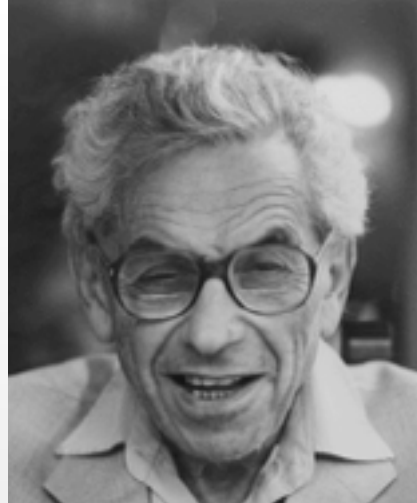
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— *new adventures of quantum Monte Carlo*

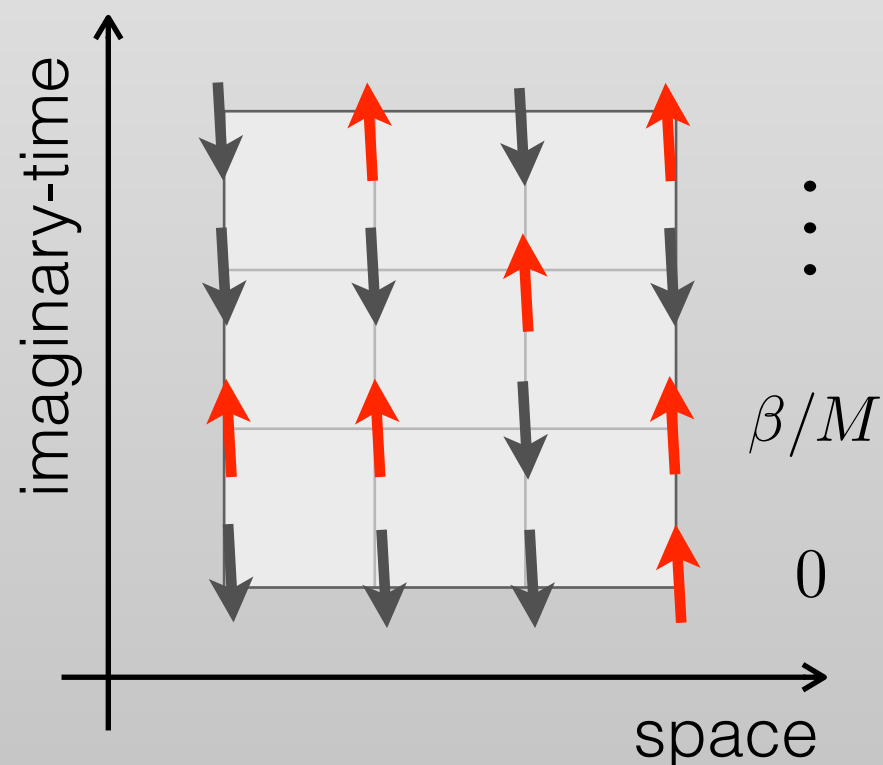
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“Quantum” Monte Carlo

$$Z = \text{Tr} \left(e^{-\beta \hat{H}} \right) \quad \hat{H} = \hat{H}_0 + \lambda \hat{H}_1$$

Trotterization

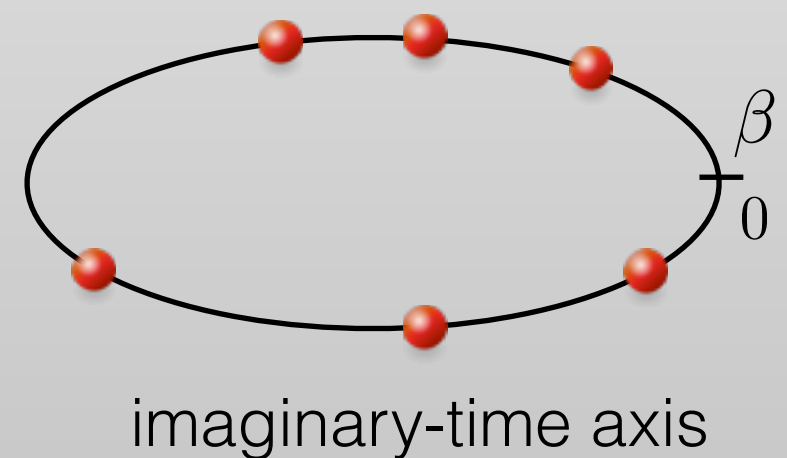
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Diagrammatic approach

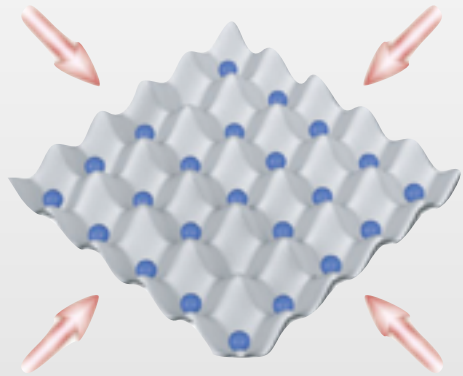
$$Z = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \lambda^k \int_0^{\beta} d\tau_1 \dots \int_{\tau_{k-1}}^{\beta} d\tau_k \times$$

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Beard and Wiese, 1996
Prokof'ev, Svistunov, Tupitsyn, 1996

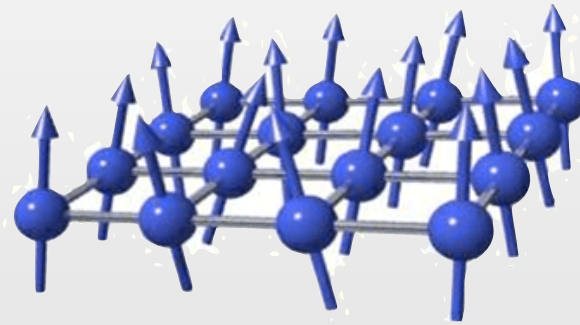
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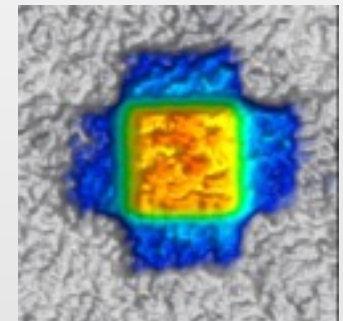
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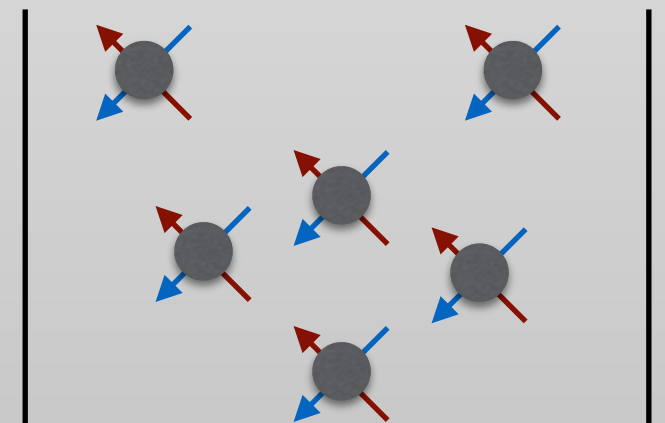
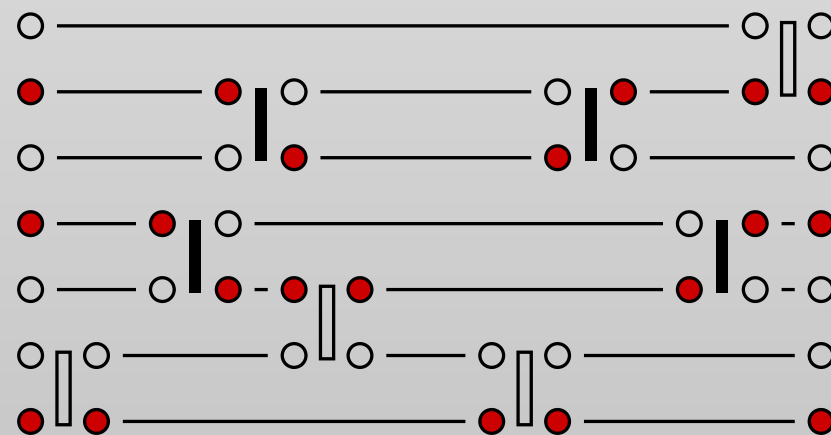
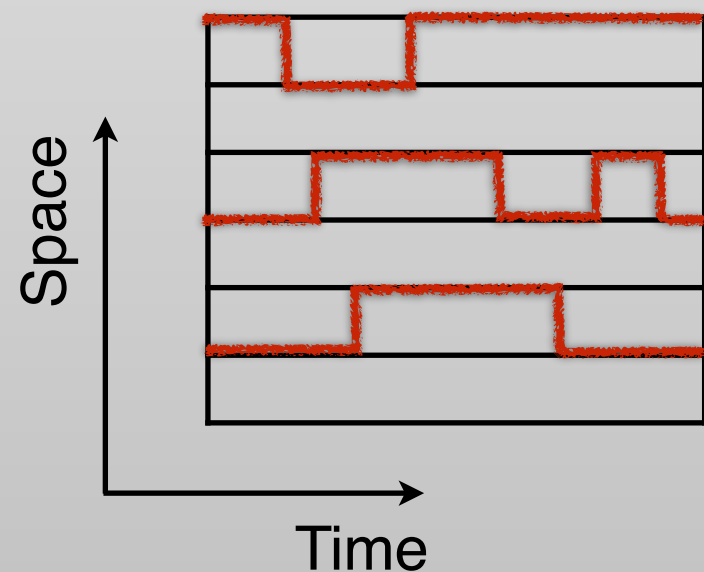
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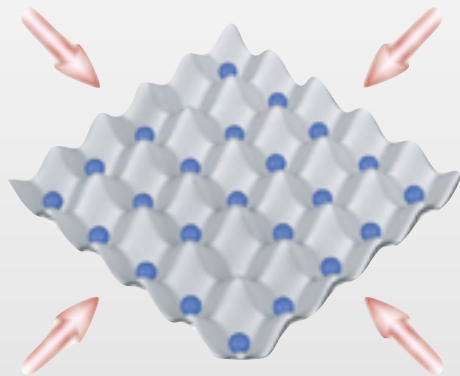
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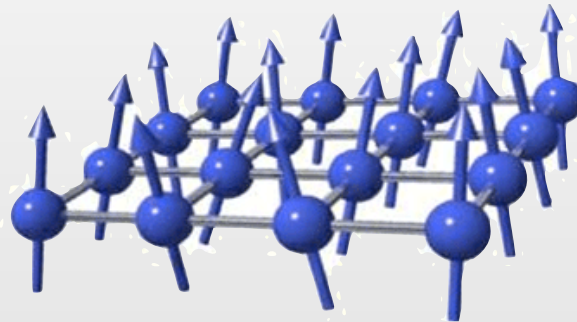
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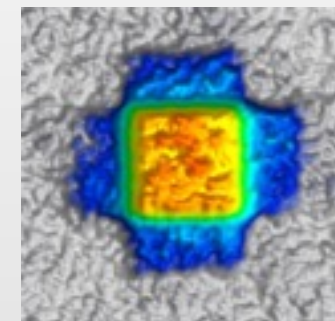
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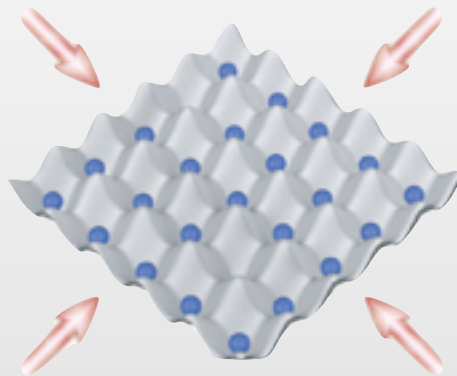
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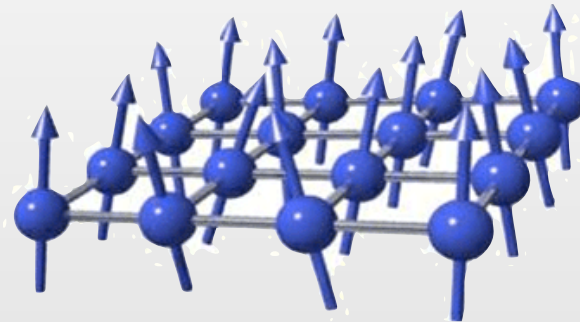
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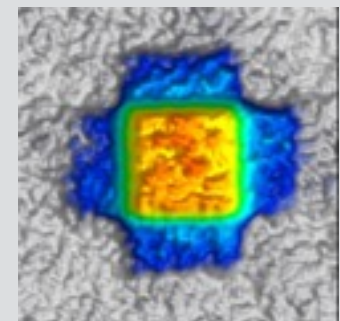
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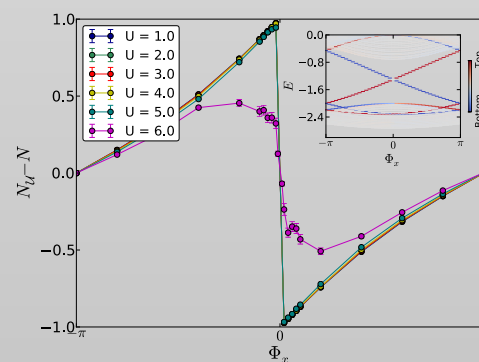
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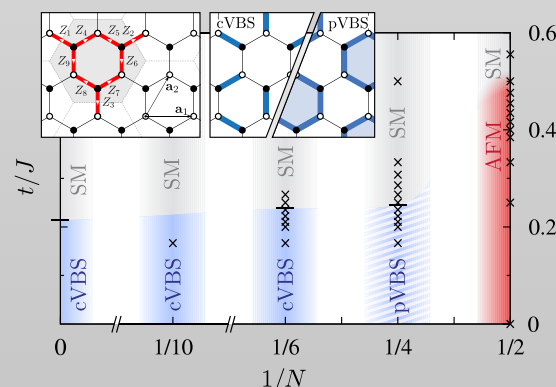


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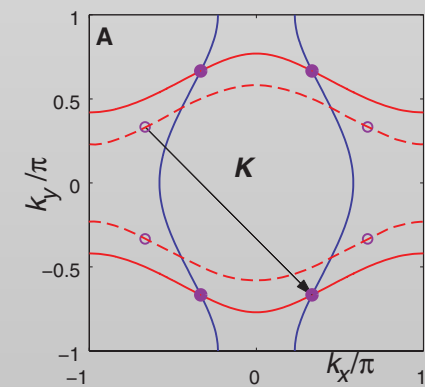
Hofstadter model

LW, Hung and Troyer, PRB 2014



SU(2N) models

Lang, Meng, Muramatsu, Wessel and Assaad, PRL 2013



Spin-fermion models

Berg, Metliski and Sachdev, Science 2012

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But, how about this ?

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Scalapino et al, PRB 1984 Gubernatis et al, PRB 1985

up to 8*8 square lattice and $T \geq 0.3t$

Meron cluster approach, Chandrasekharan and Wiese, PRL 1999

solves sign problem for $V \geq 2t$



Solutions !

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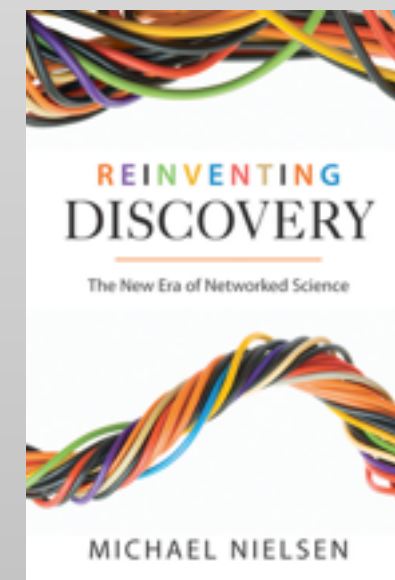
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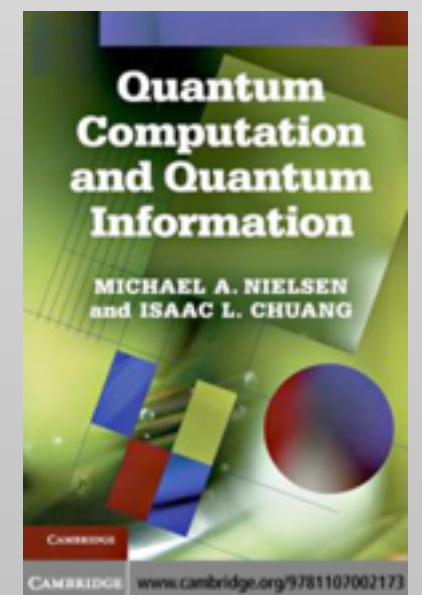
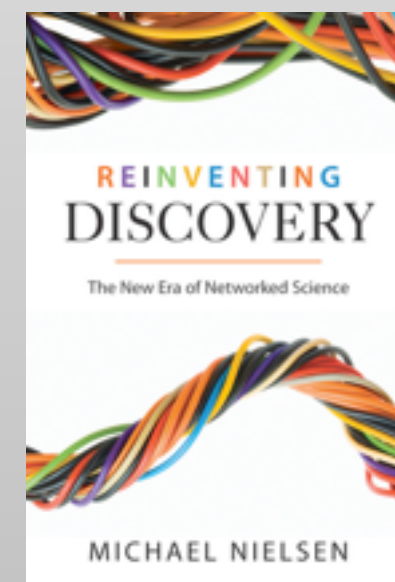
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Then $M \in O(n, n)$
split orthogonal group

$O^{+-}(n, n)$



$O^{++}(n, n)$



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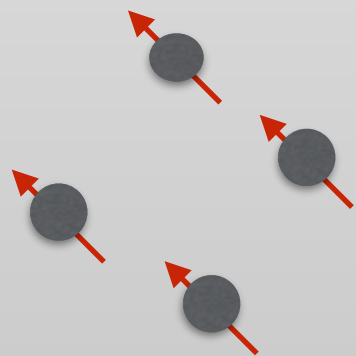
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 \text{(yellow island)} & \text{(red island)} \\
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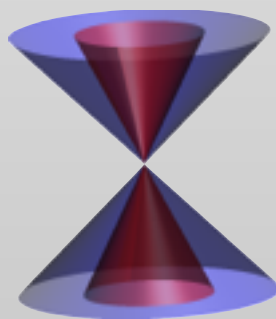
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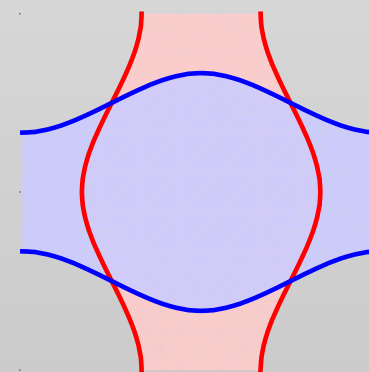
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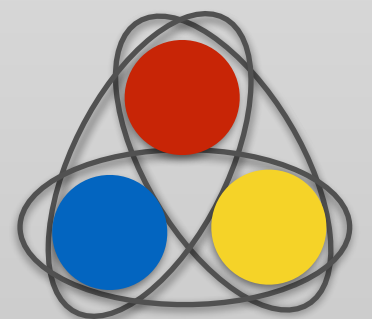


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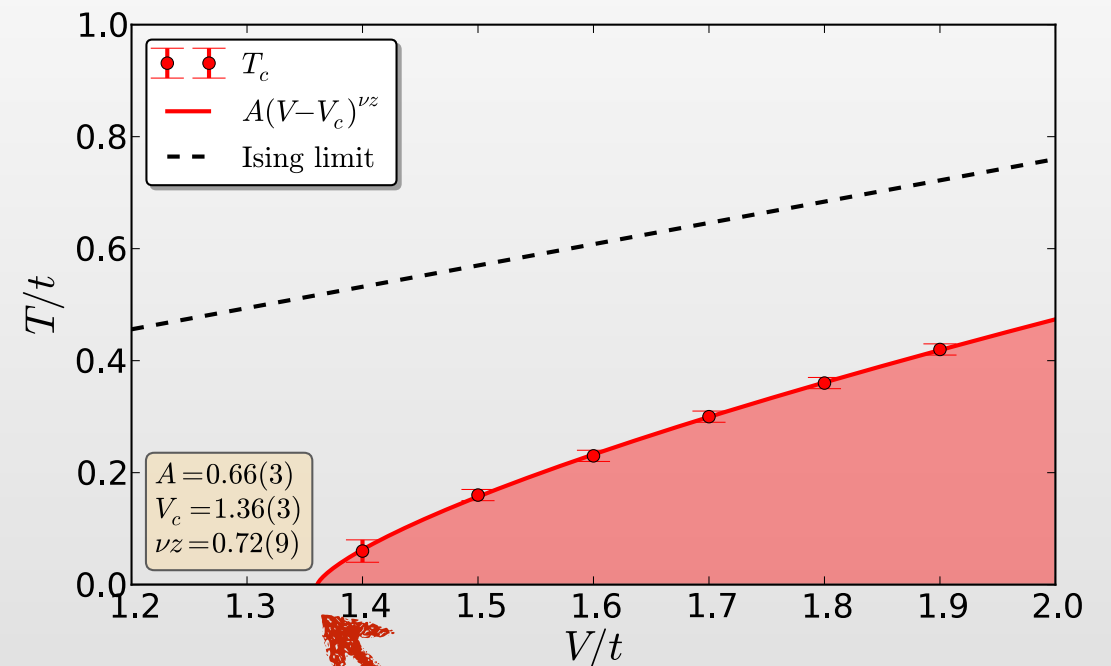
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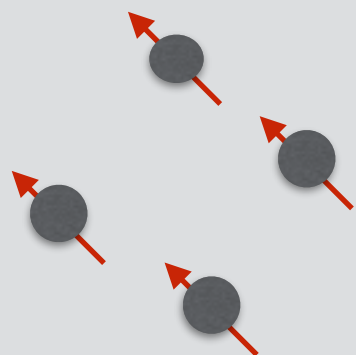
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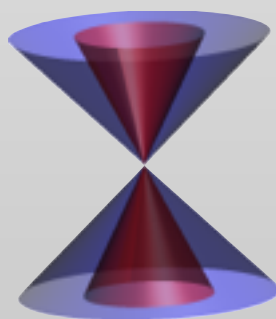
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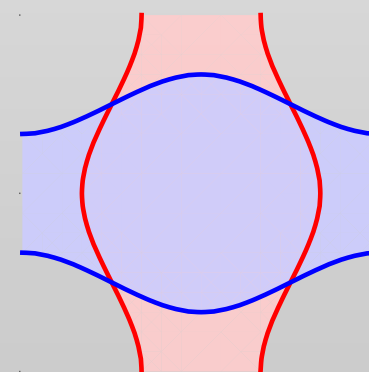
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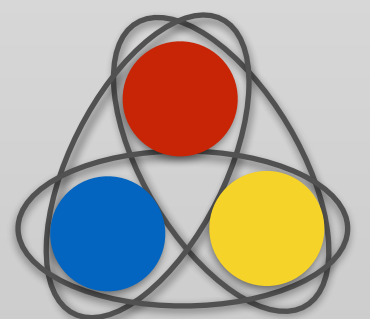


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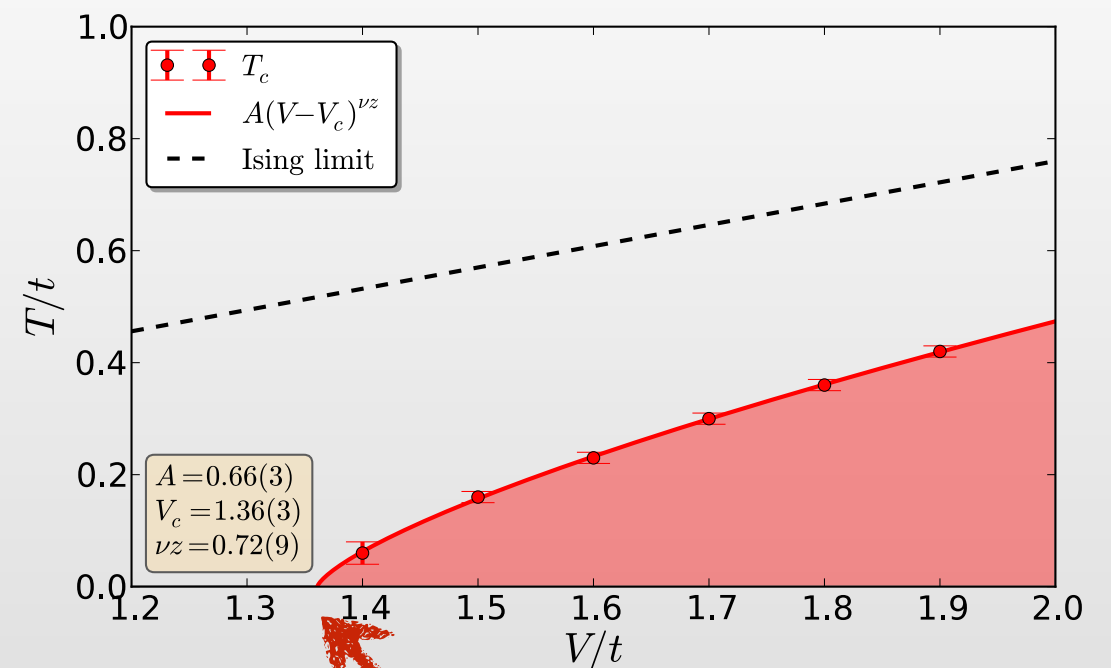
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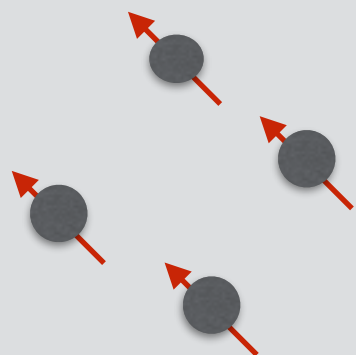
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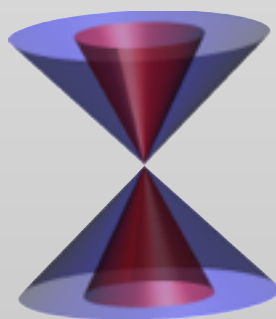
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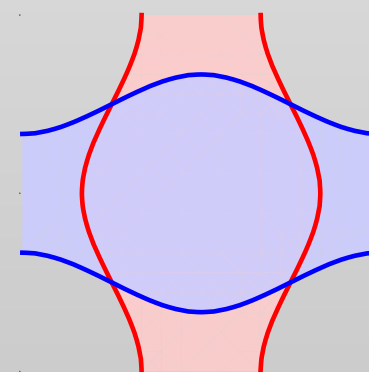
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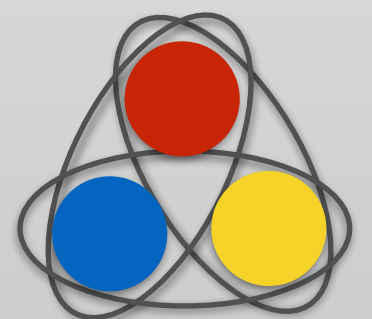


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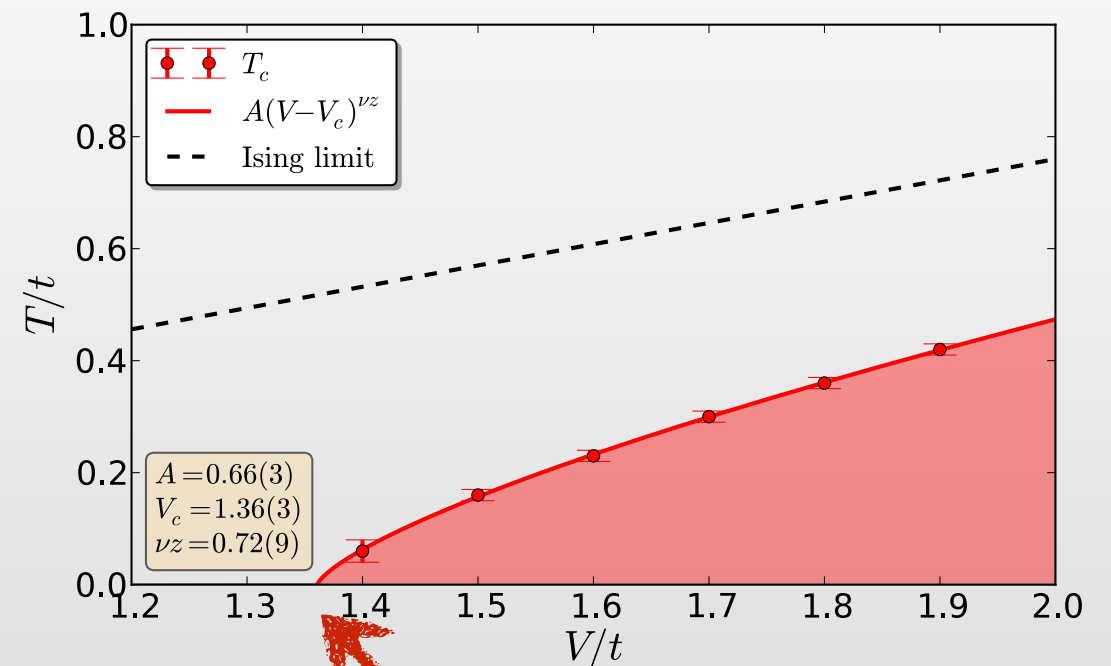
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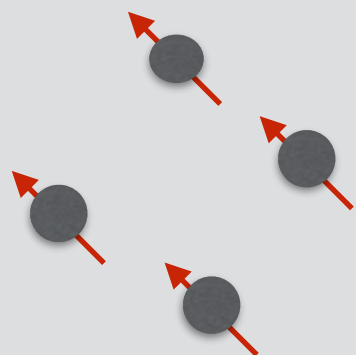
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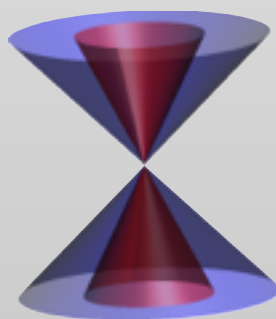
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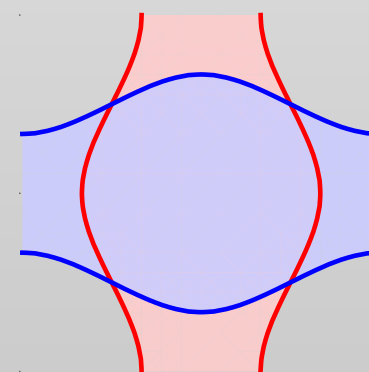
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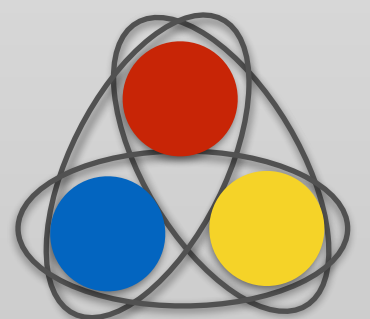


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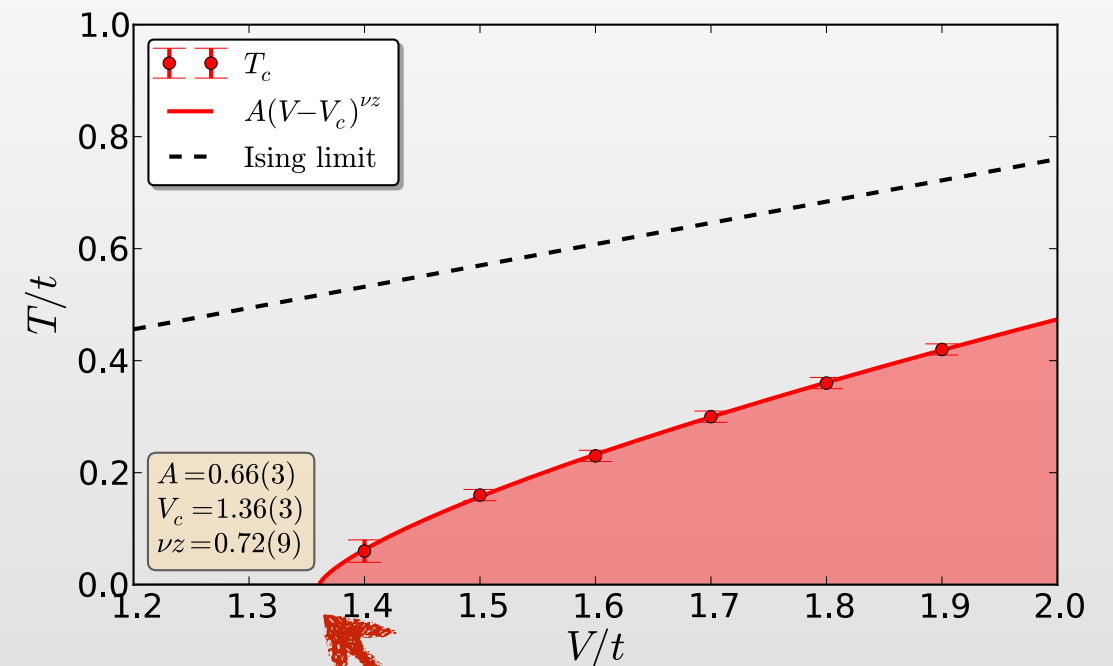
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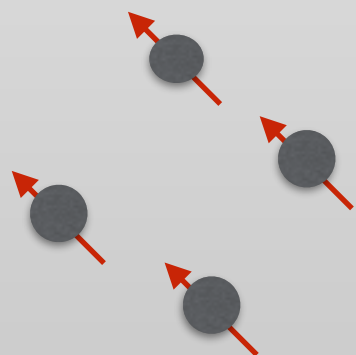
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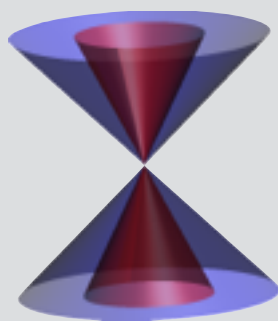
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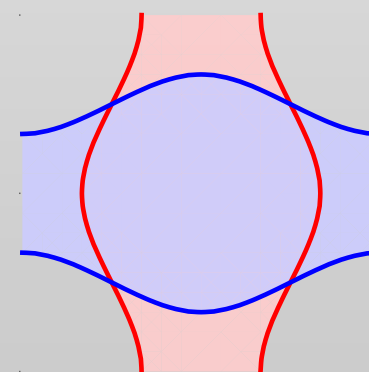
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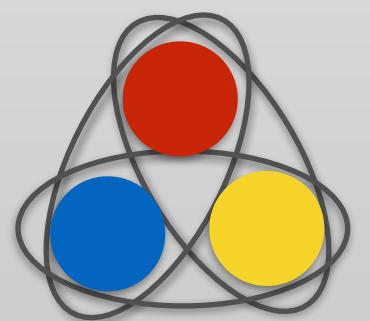


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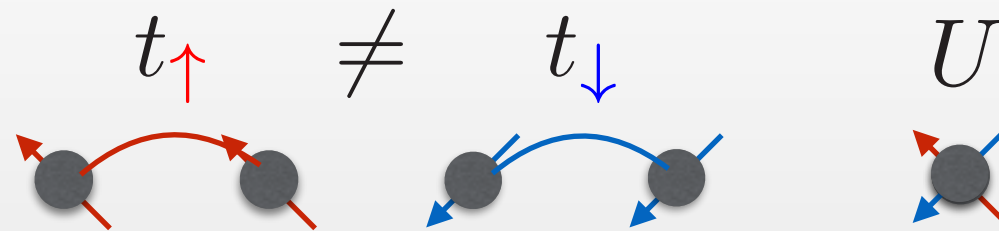


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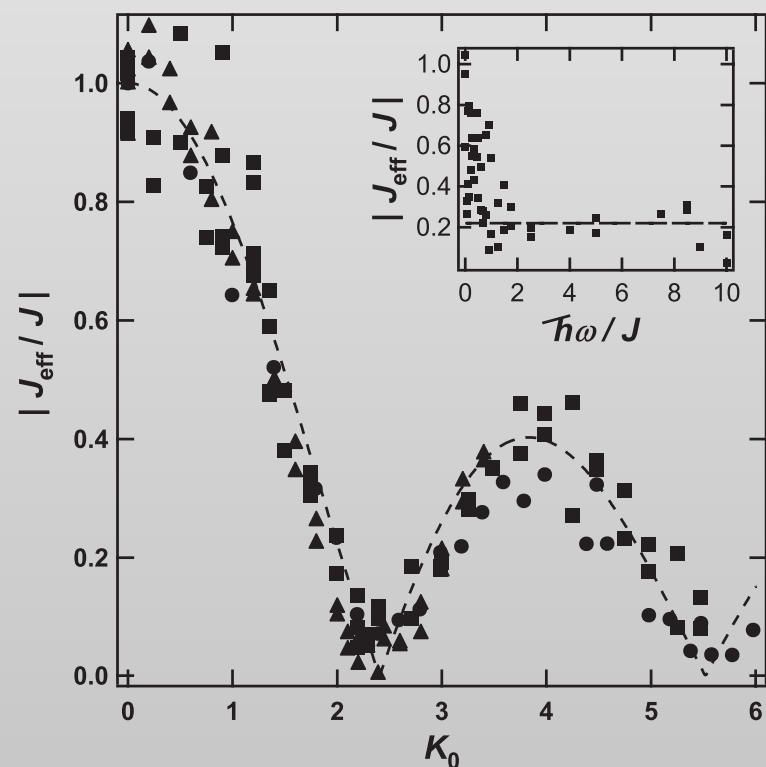
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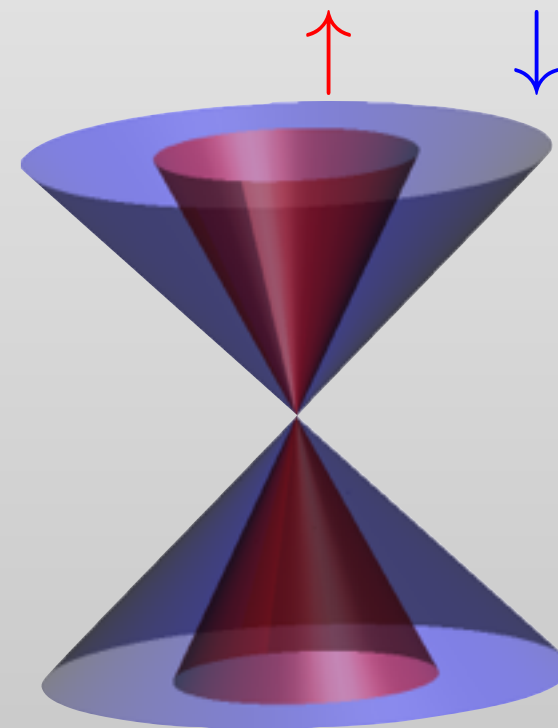


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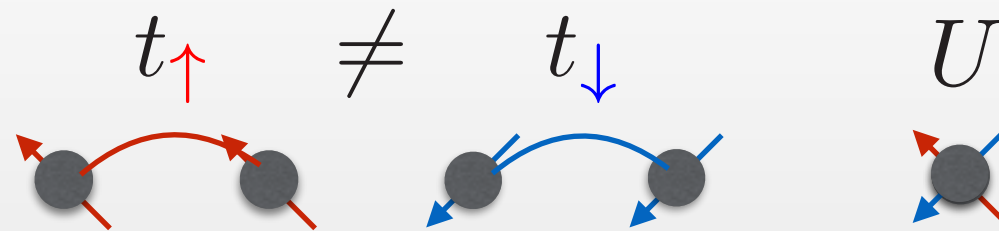


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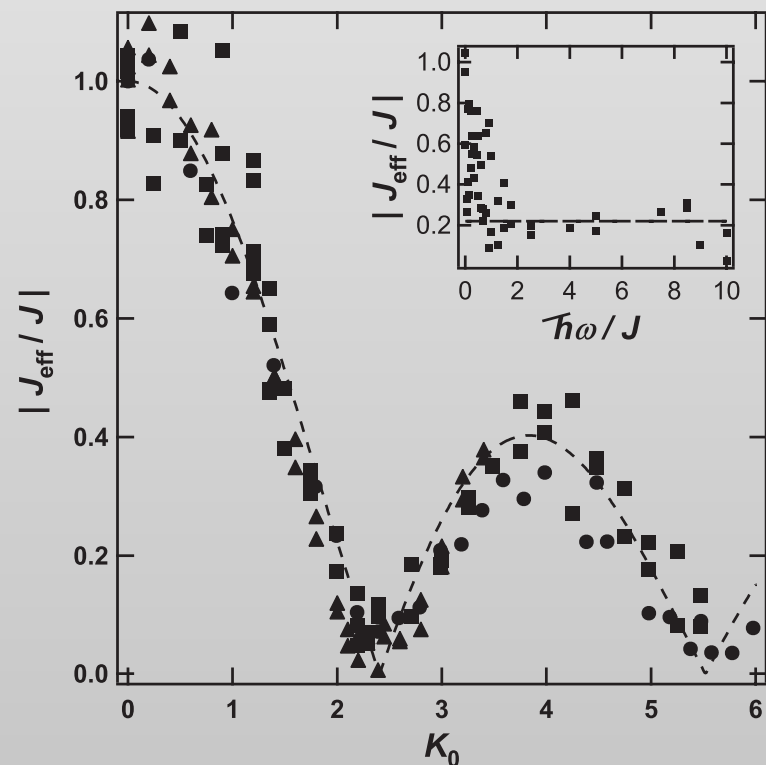
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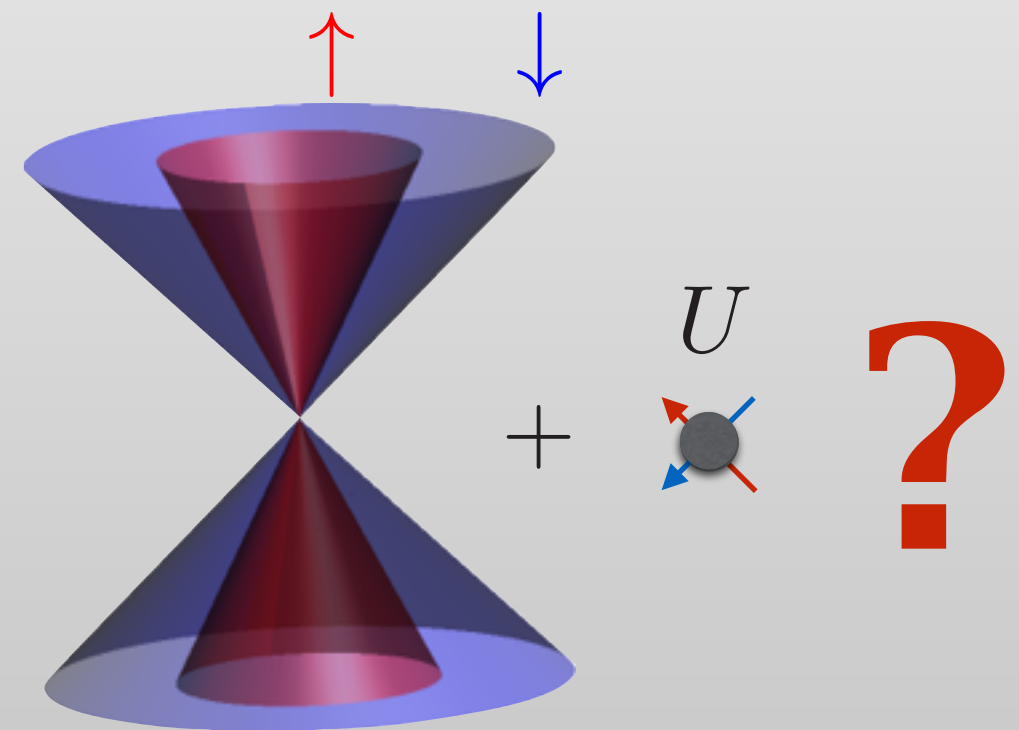


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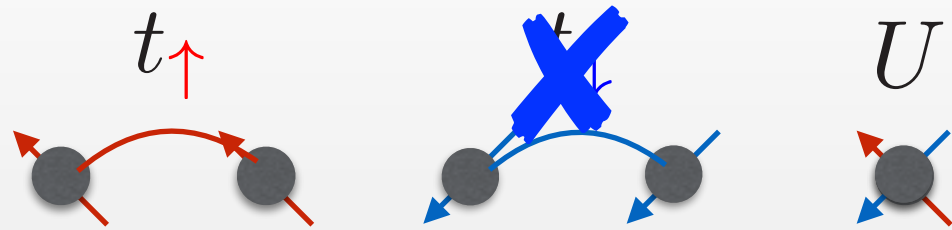


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Two limiting cases



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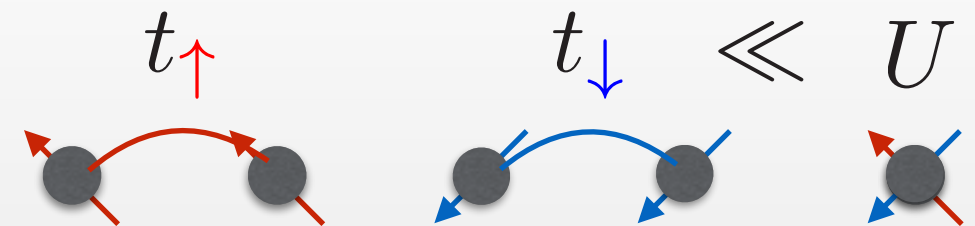
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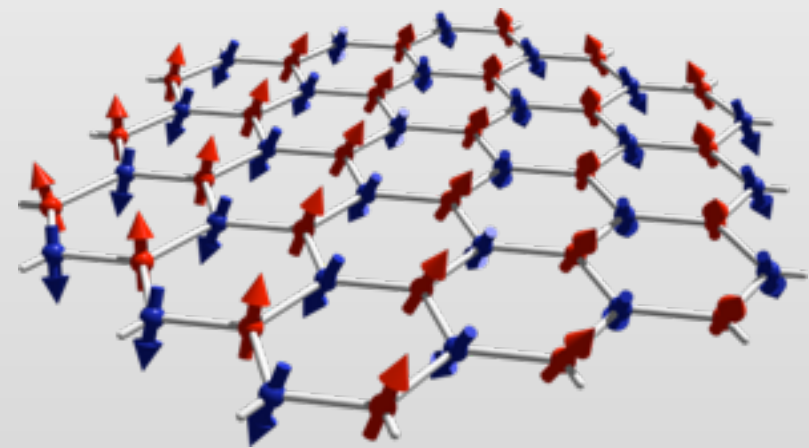
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Strong Coupling Limit



$$J_{xy} \left(\hat{S}_i^x \hat{S}_j^x + \hat{S}_i^y \hat{S}_j^y \right) + J_z \hat{S}_i^z \hat{S}_j^z$$

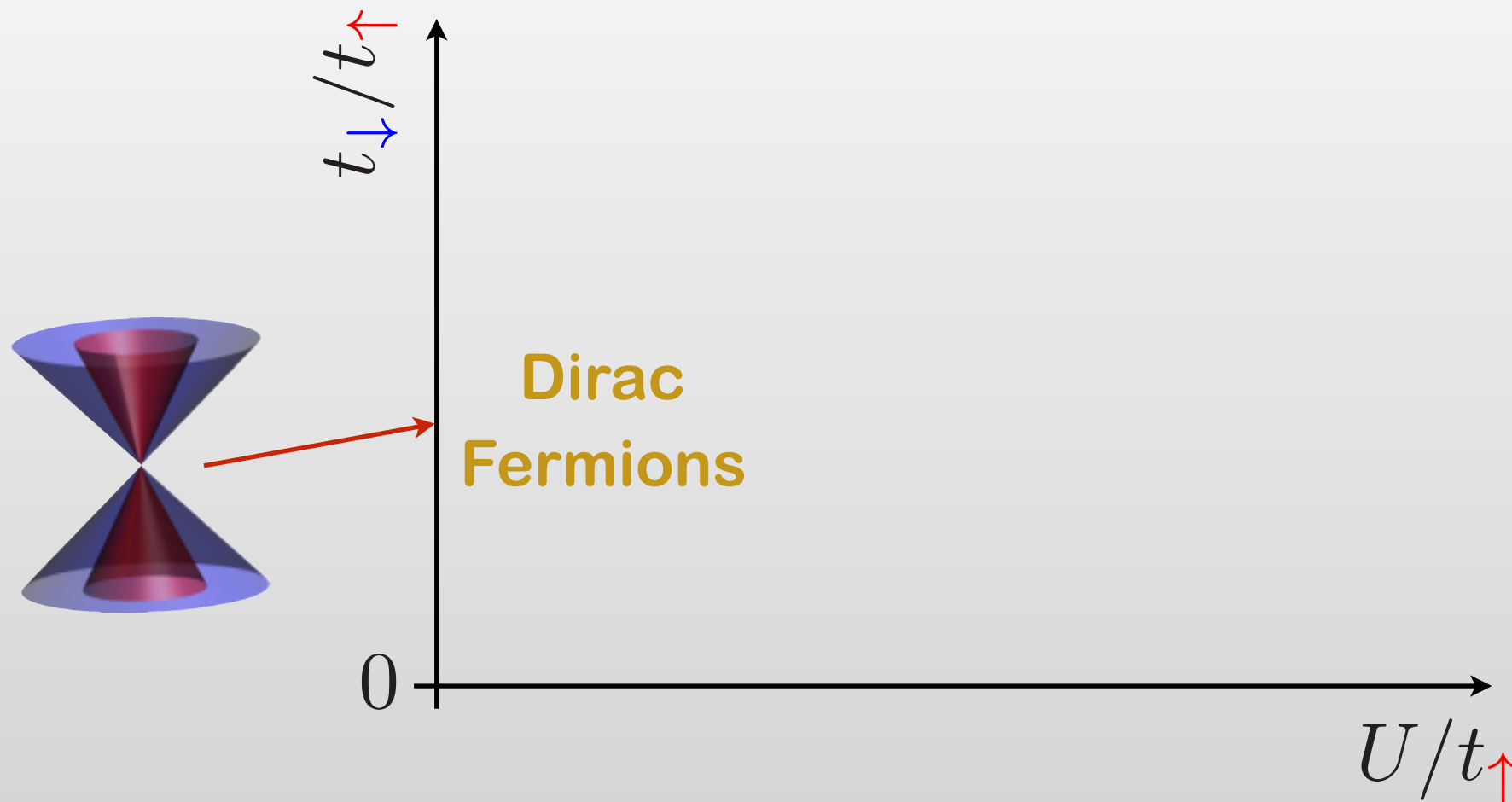
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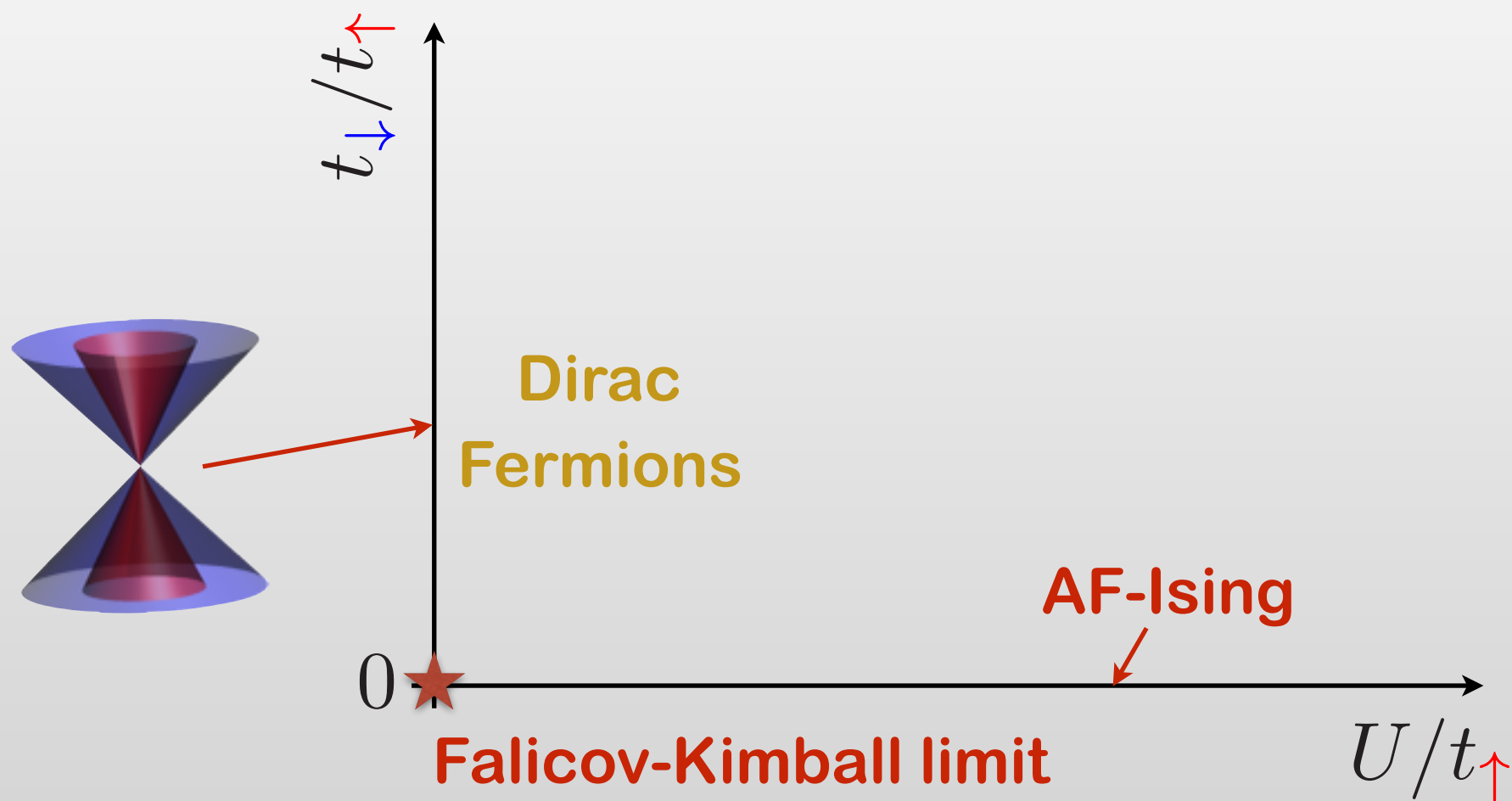
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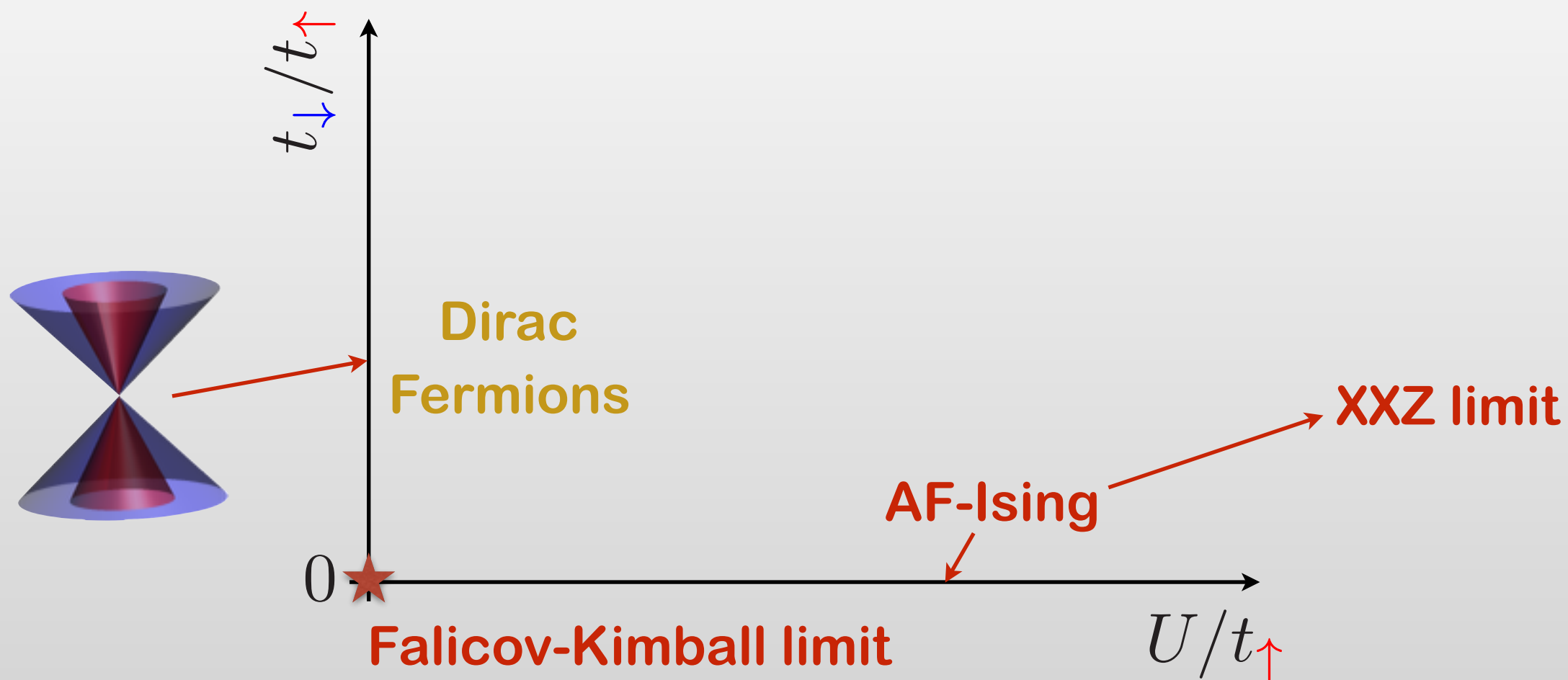
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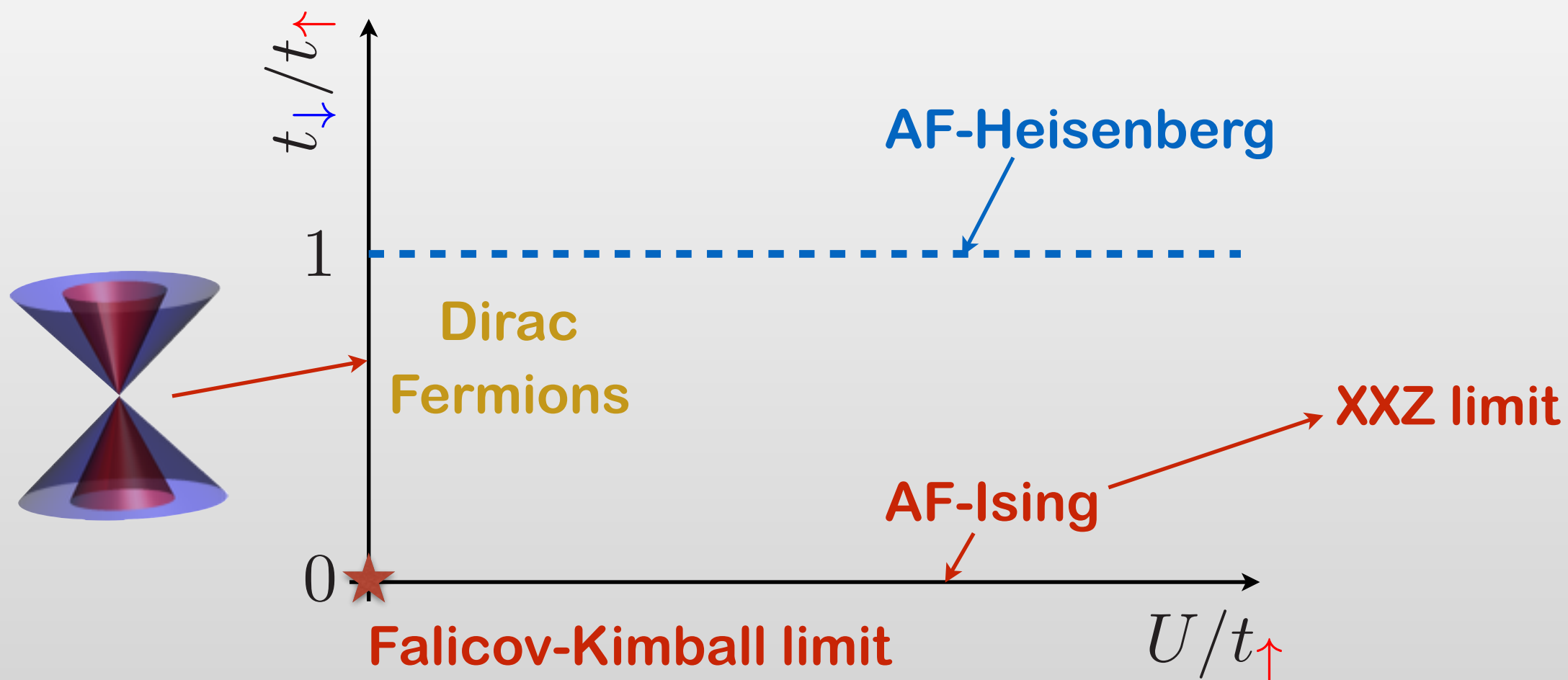
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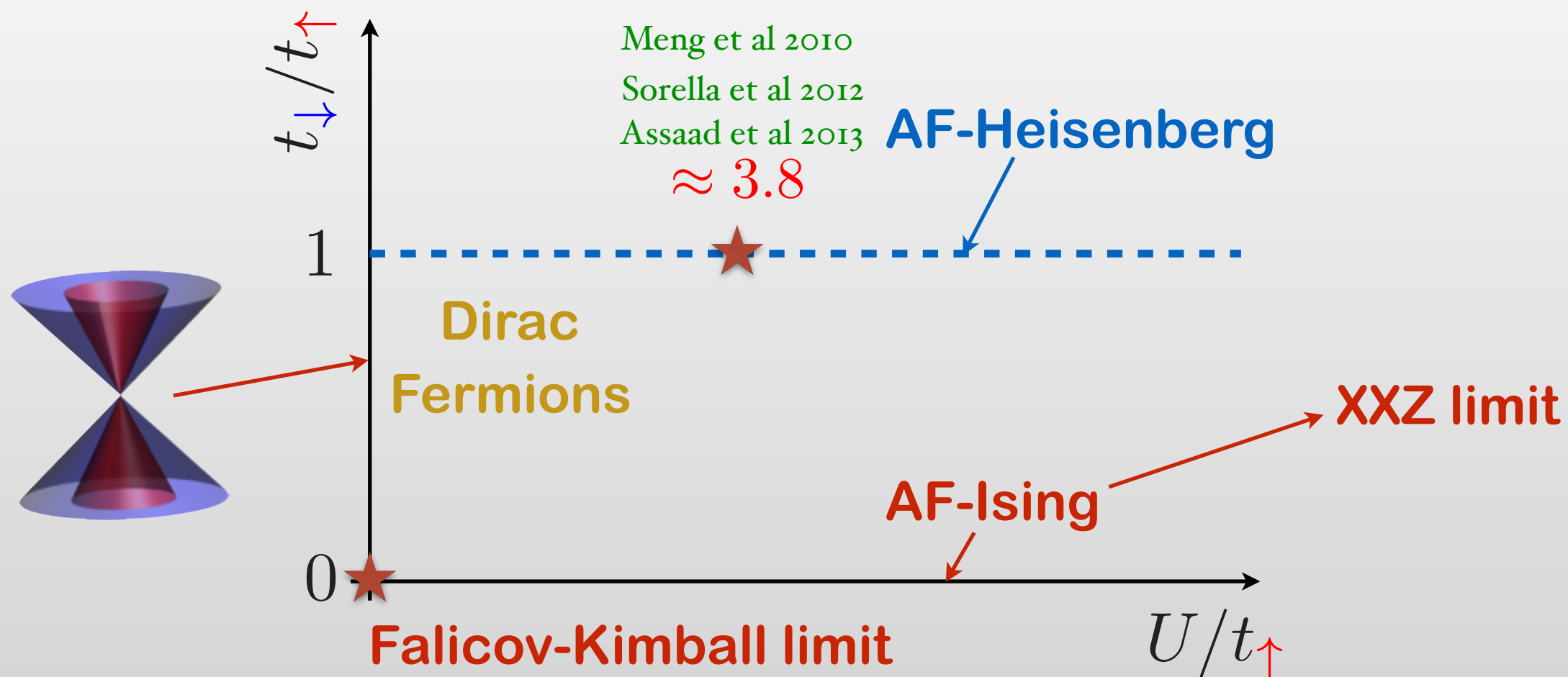
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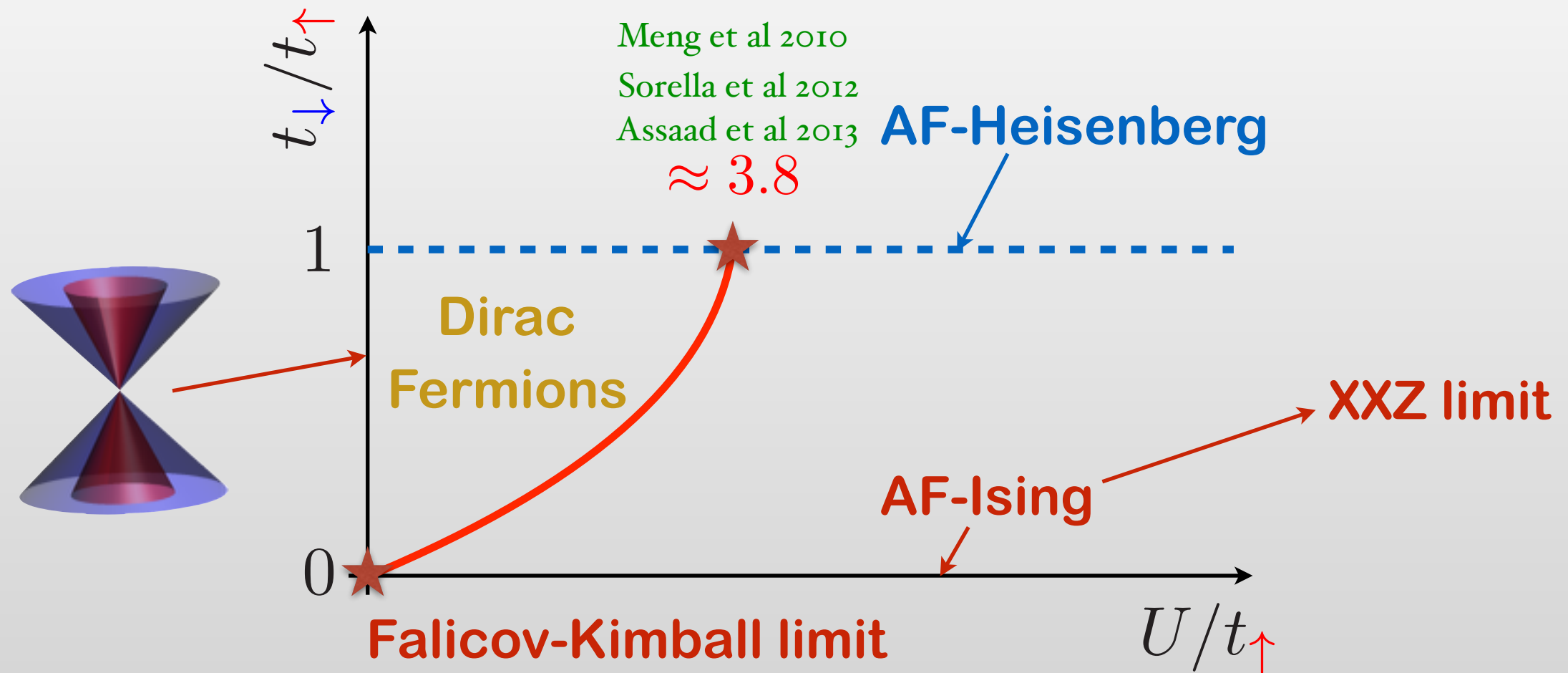
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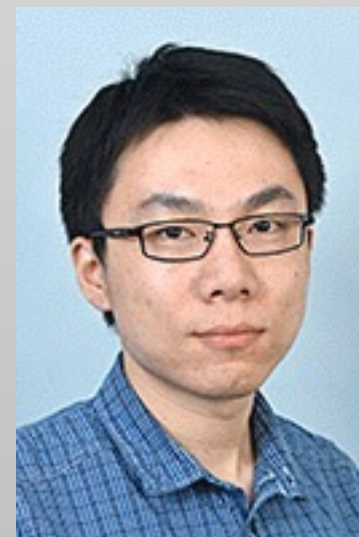
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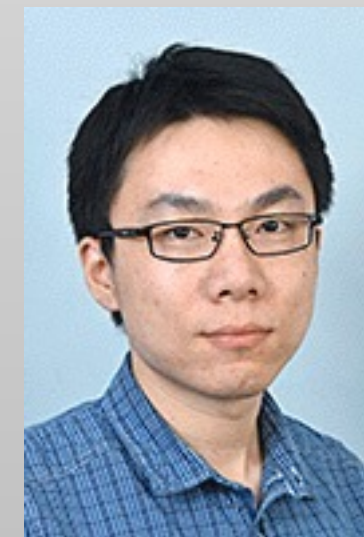
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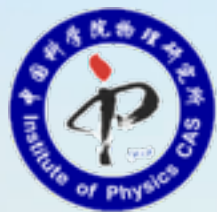
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