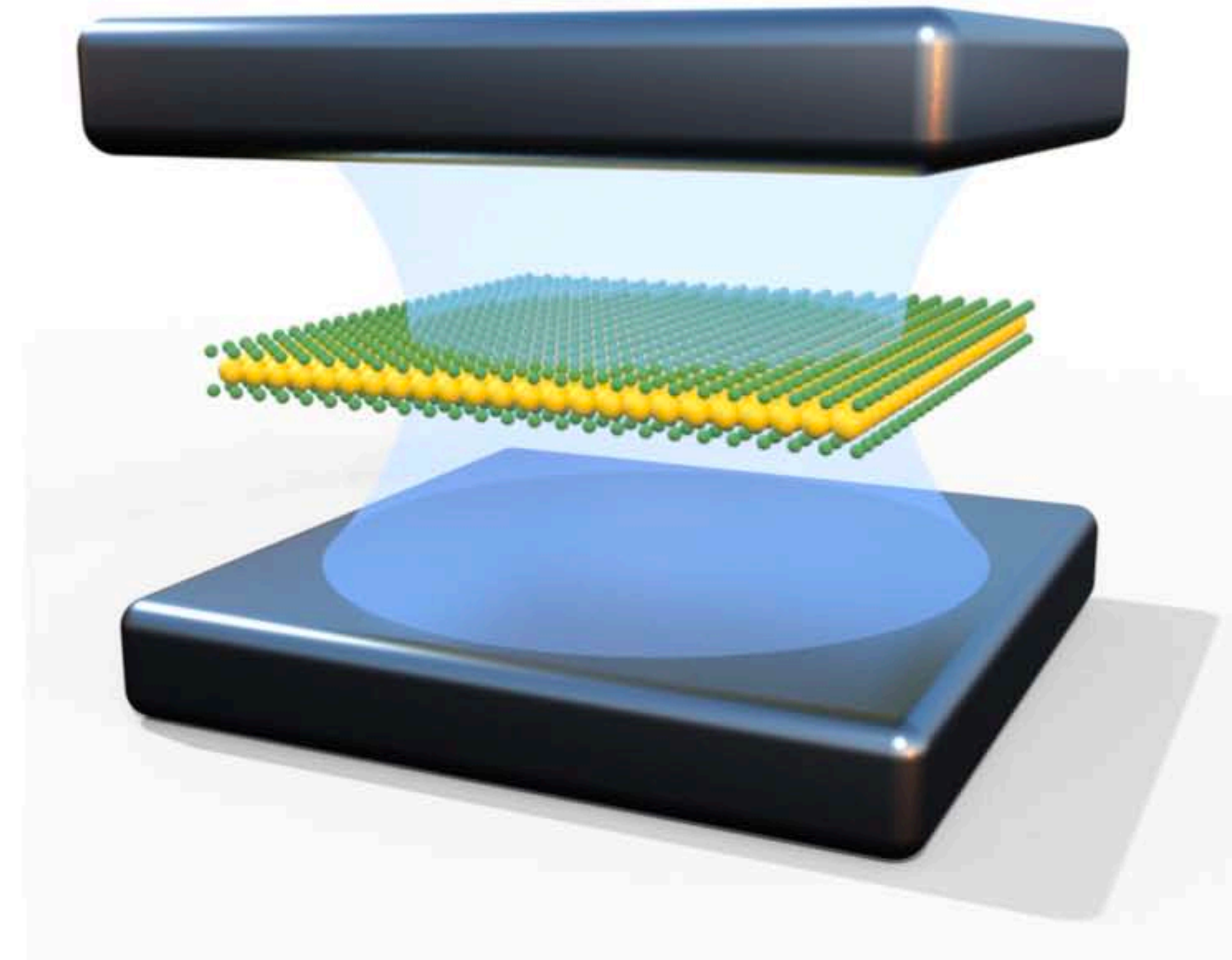
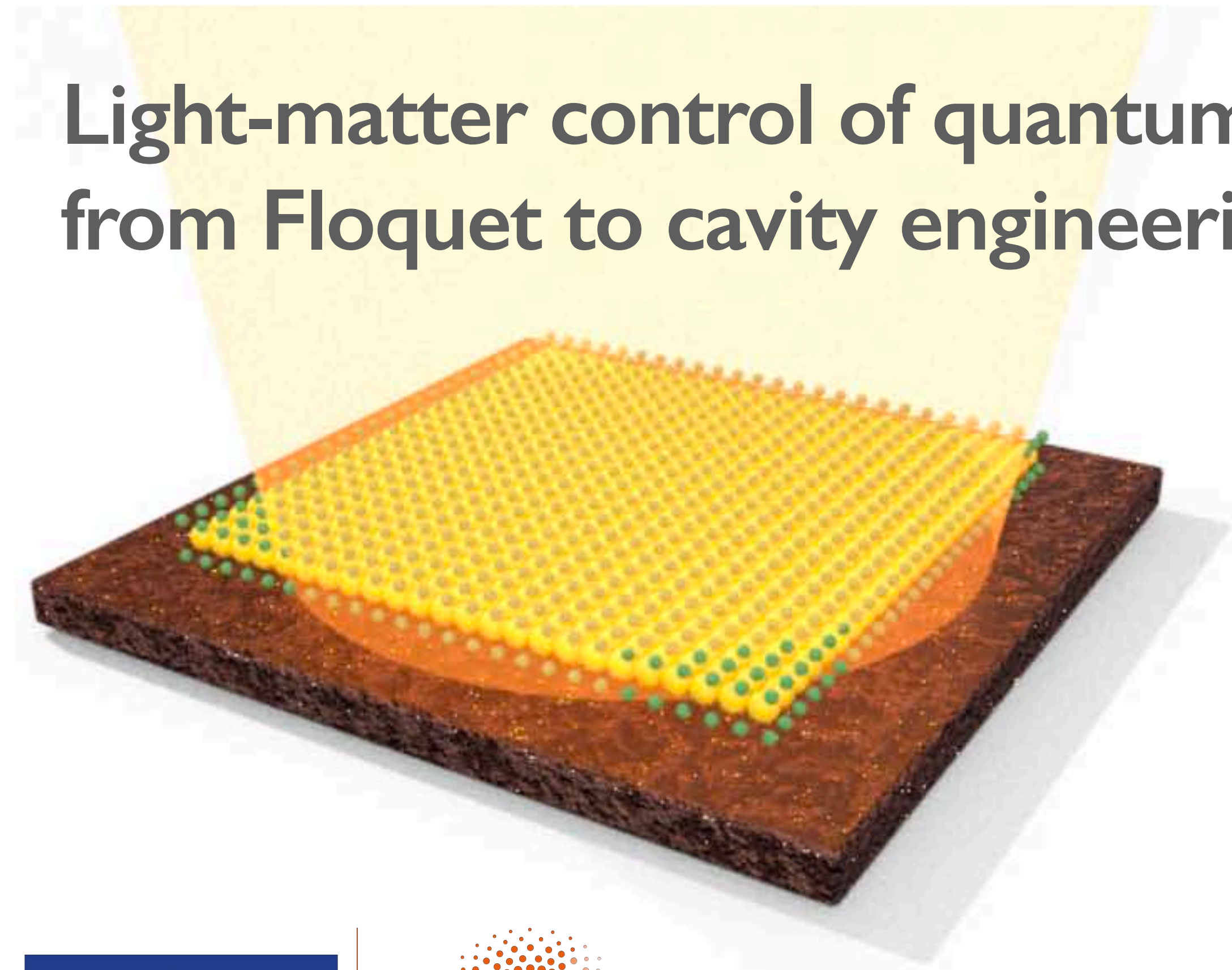


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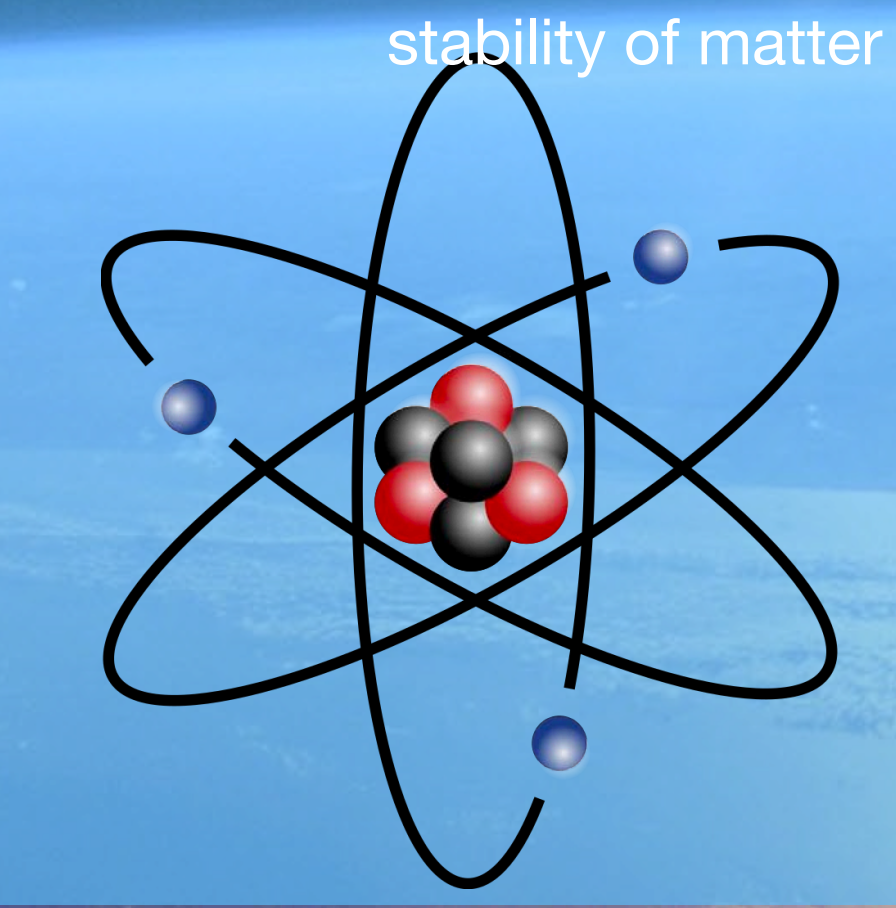
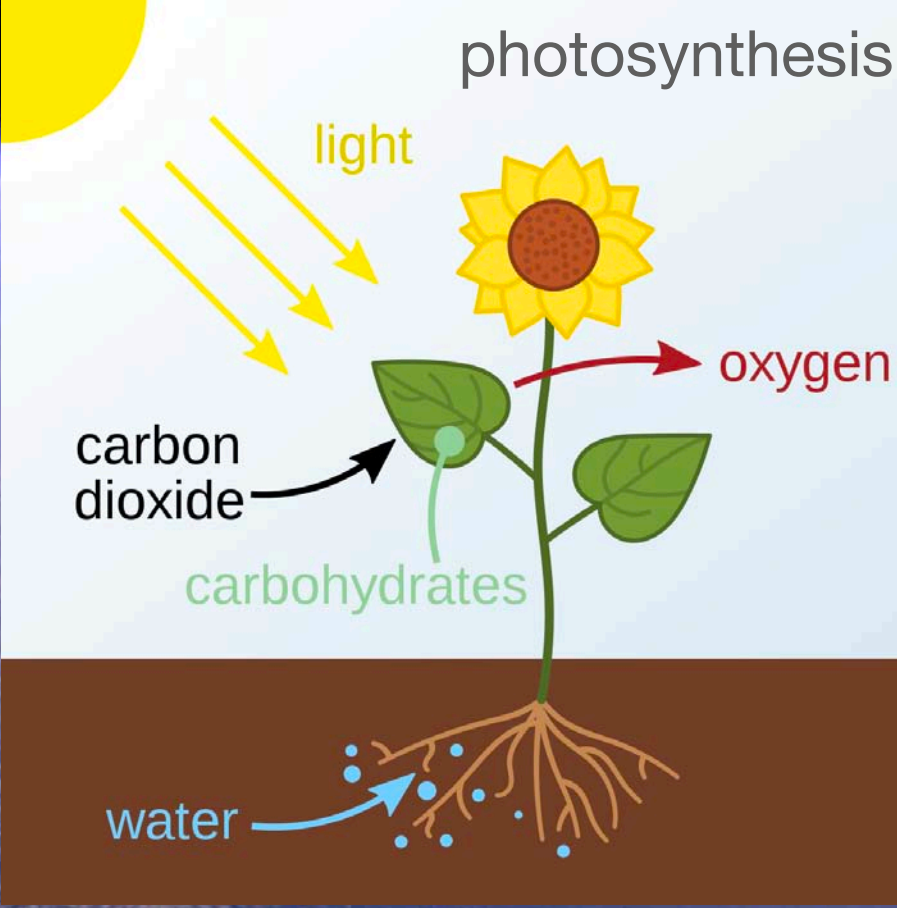
Light-matter control of quantum materials: from Floquet to cavity engineering



key importance of nonequilibrium for life



key importance of light-matter interactions for ...



Can we employ light-matter interactions to change materials properties?



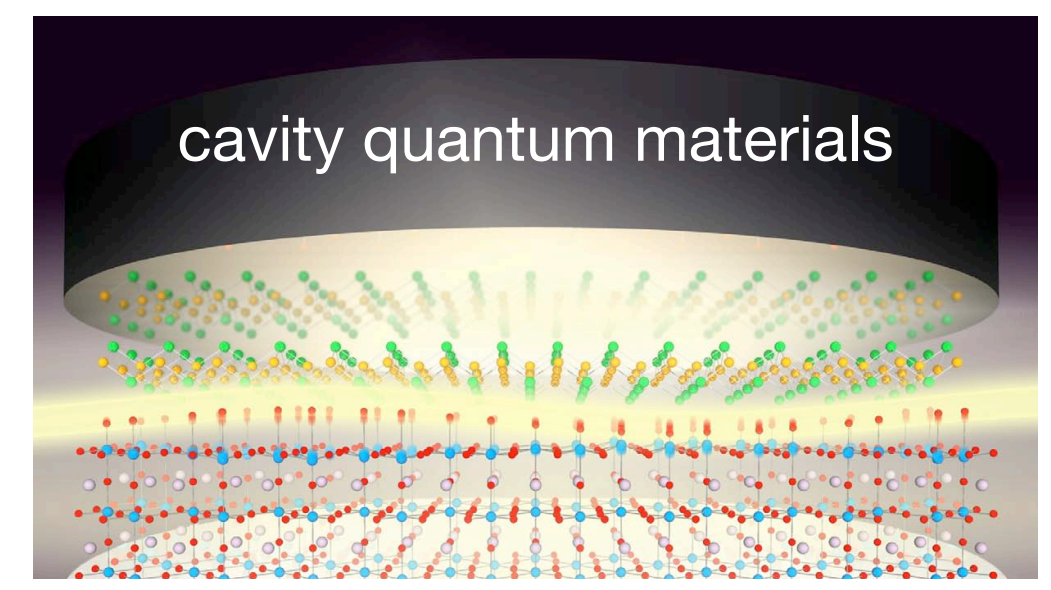
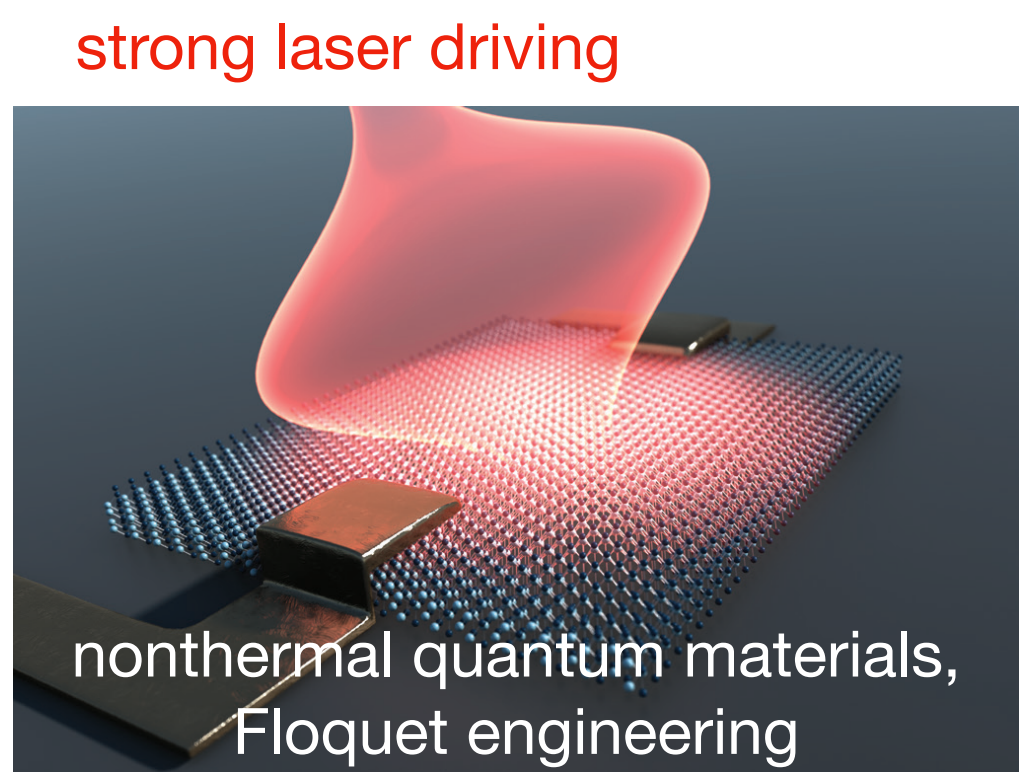
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Fine-structure constant

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{e^2}{\hbar c} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{e^2 c}{\hbar} = \frac{k_e e^2}{\hbar c} = \frac{e^2}{2\epsilon_0 c h} = \frac{c\mu_0}{2R_K} = \frac{e^2 Z_0}{2h} = \frac{e^2 Z_0}{4\pi\hbar}$$

ing strength / photon number



classical to q.

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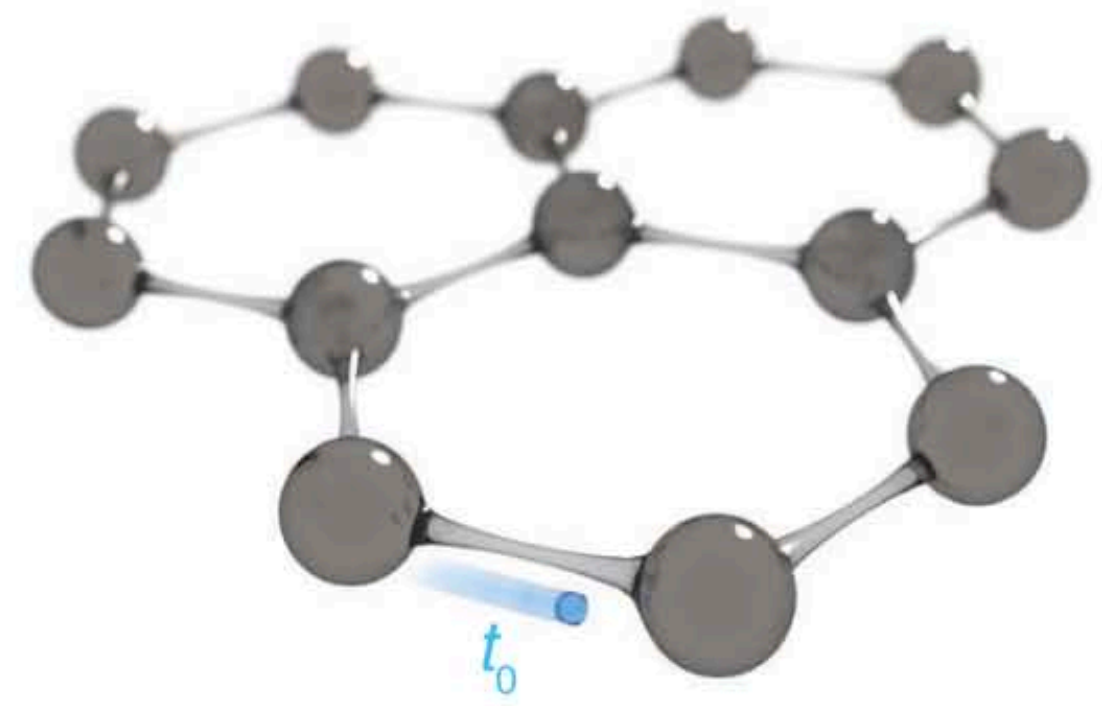
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Controlling quantum materials — gold rush

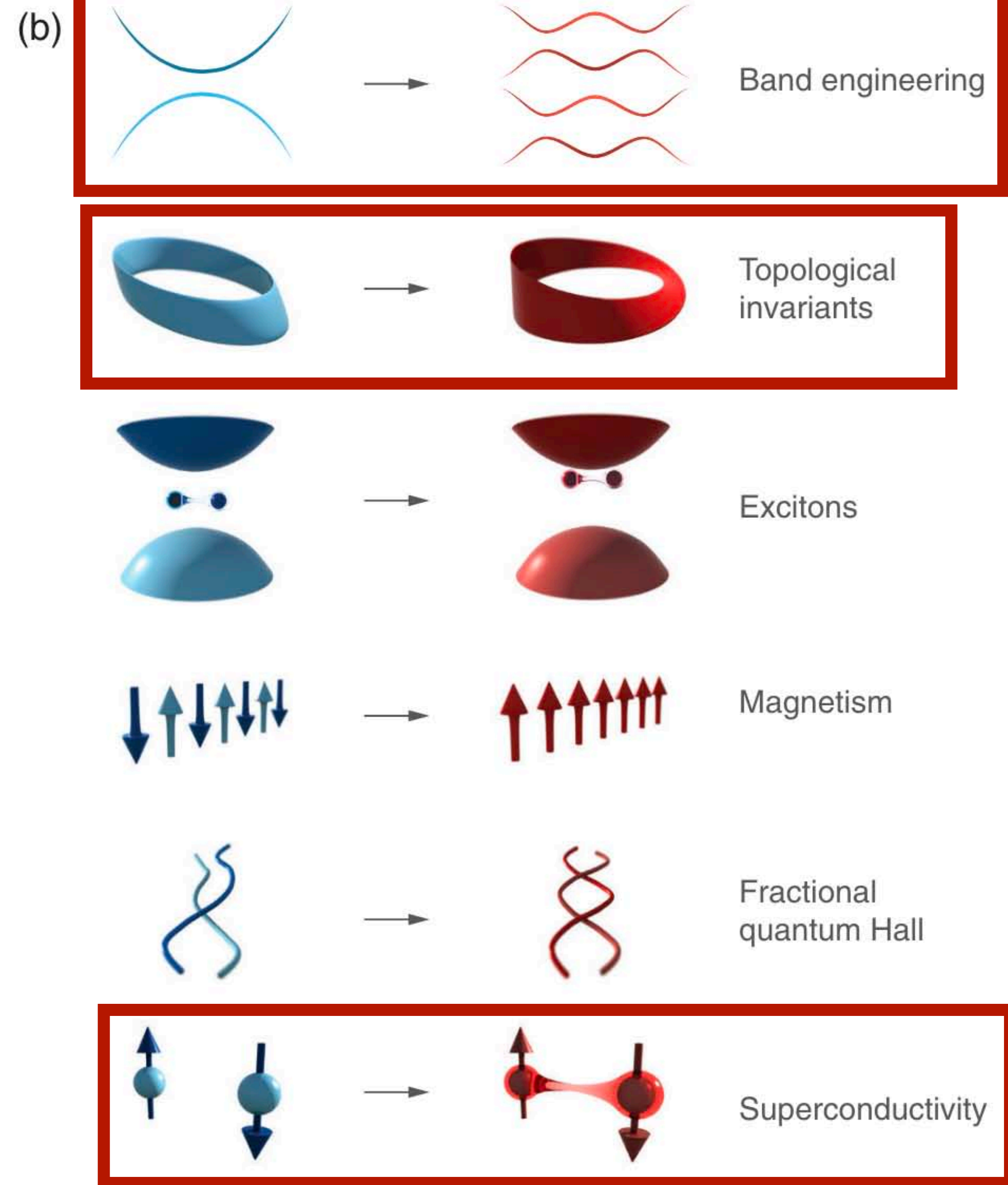
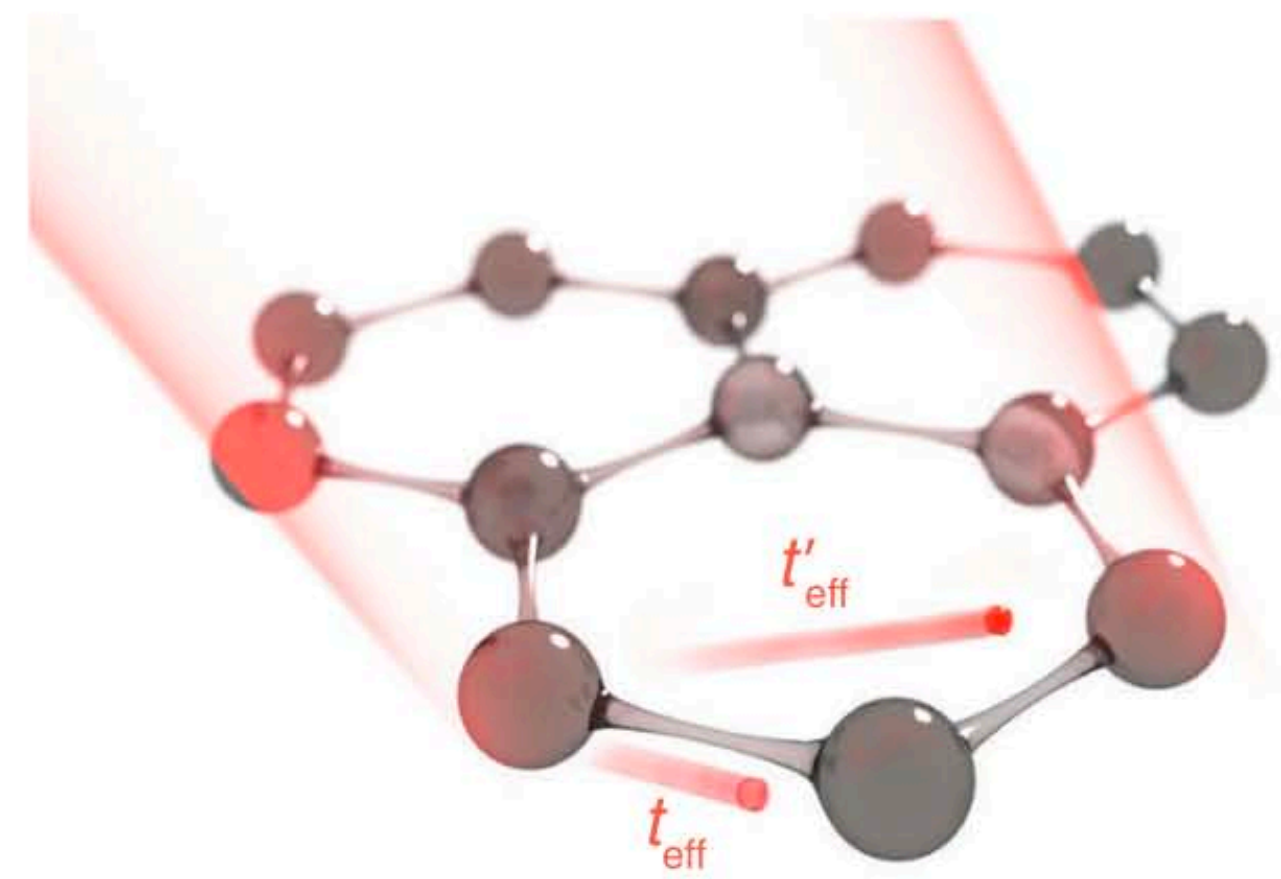


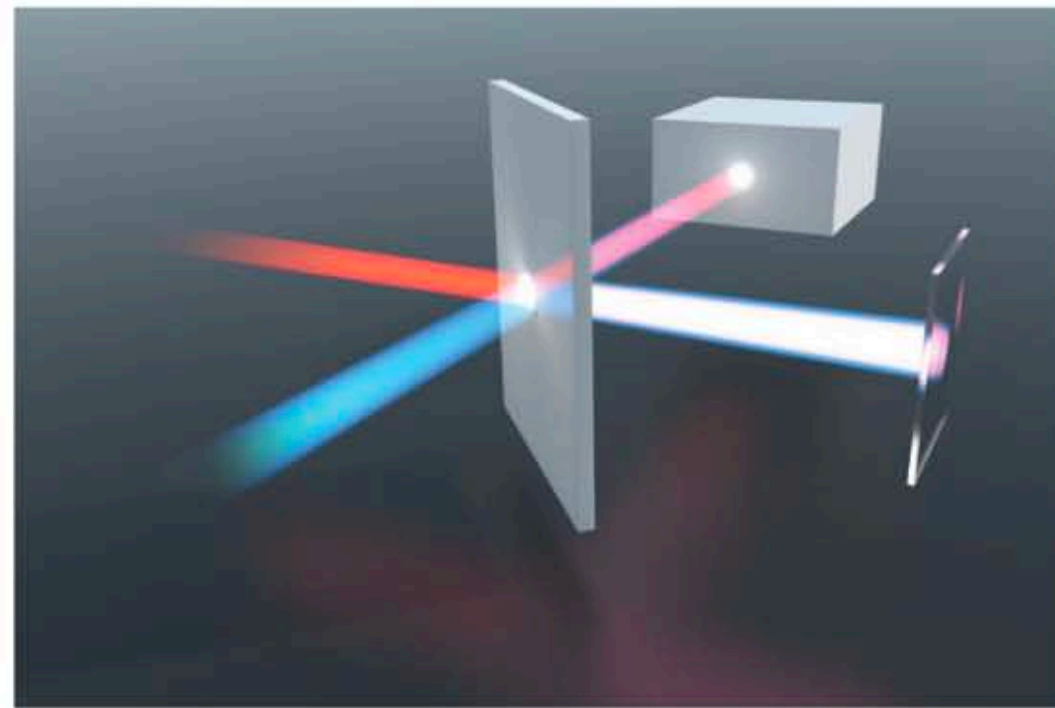
Controlling quantum materials — how?

(a) Equilibrium



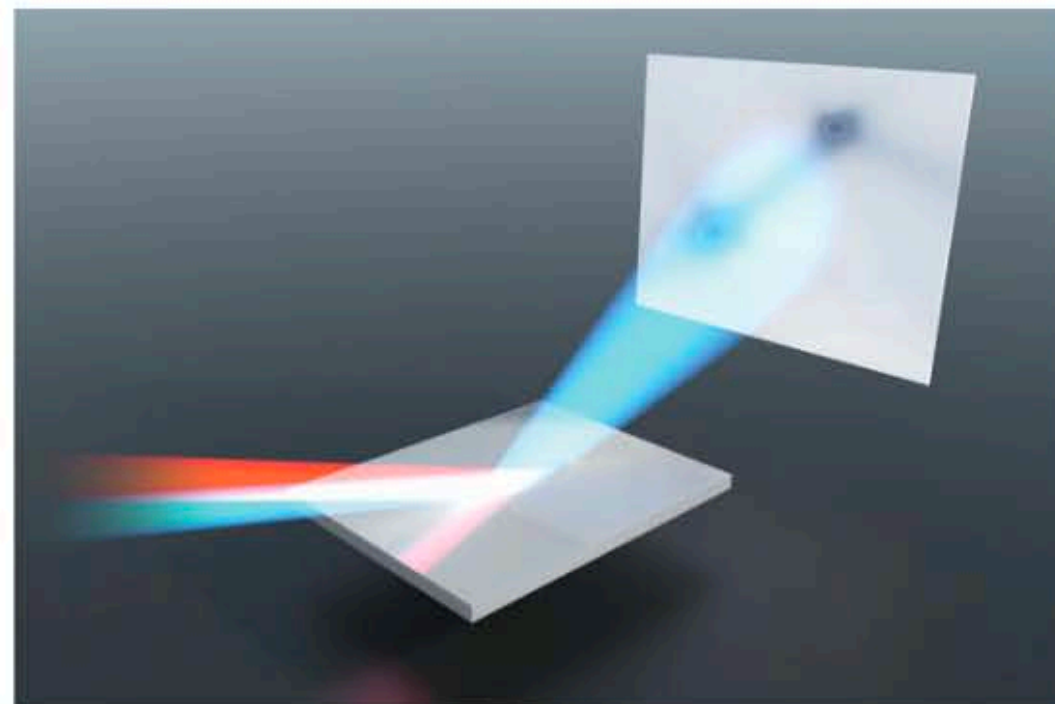
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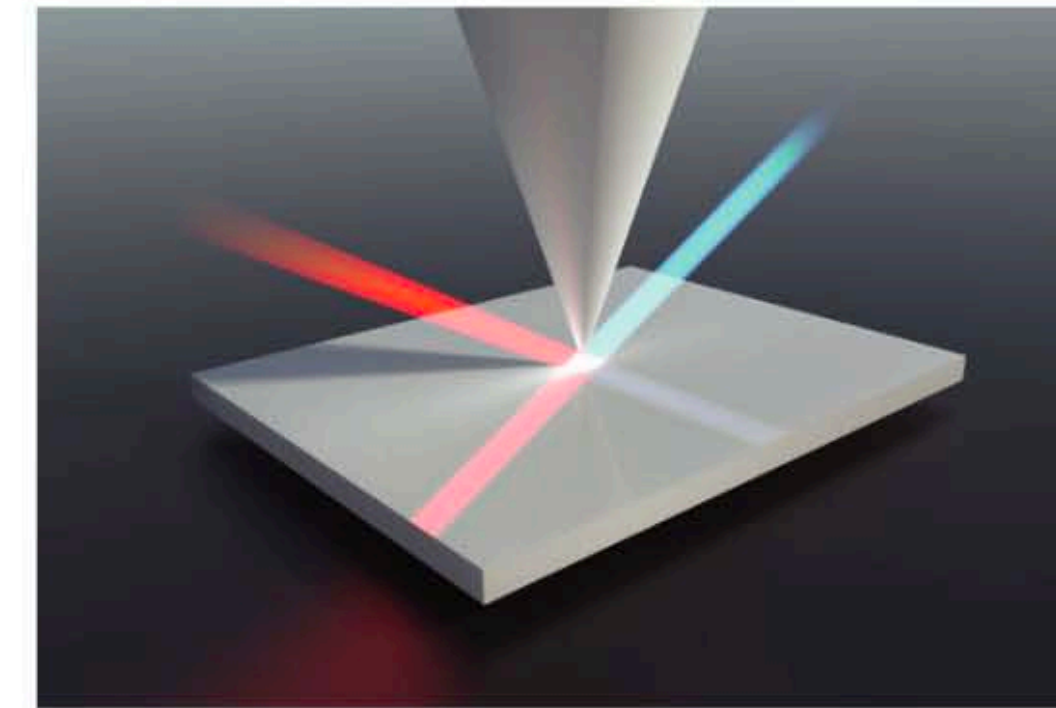
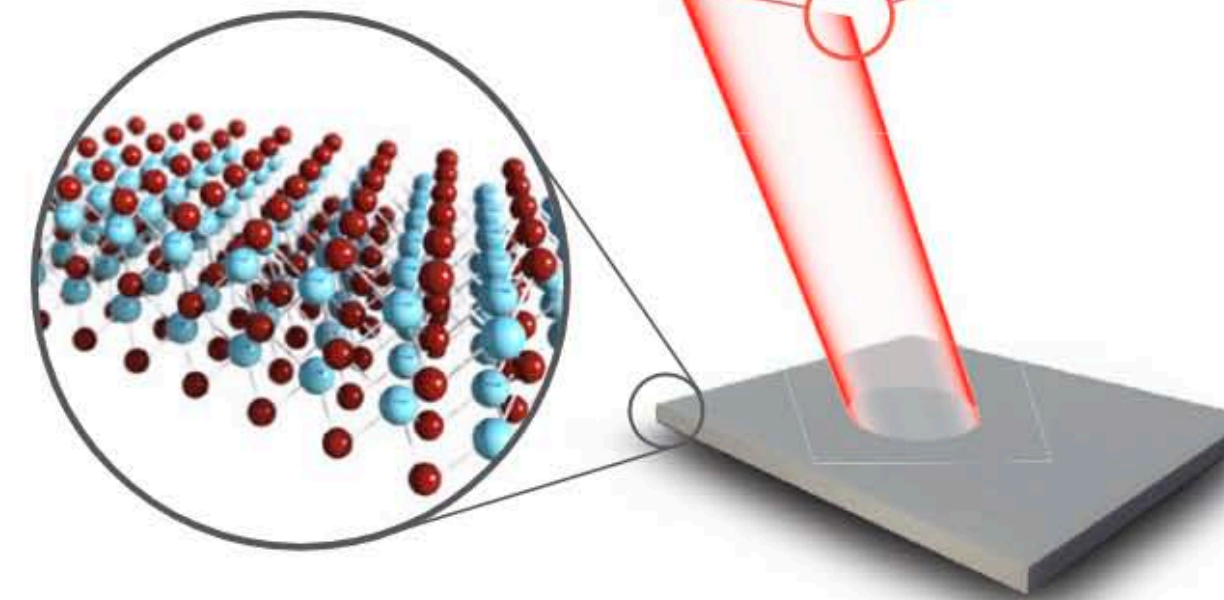
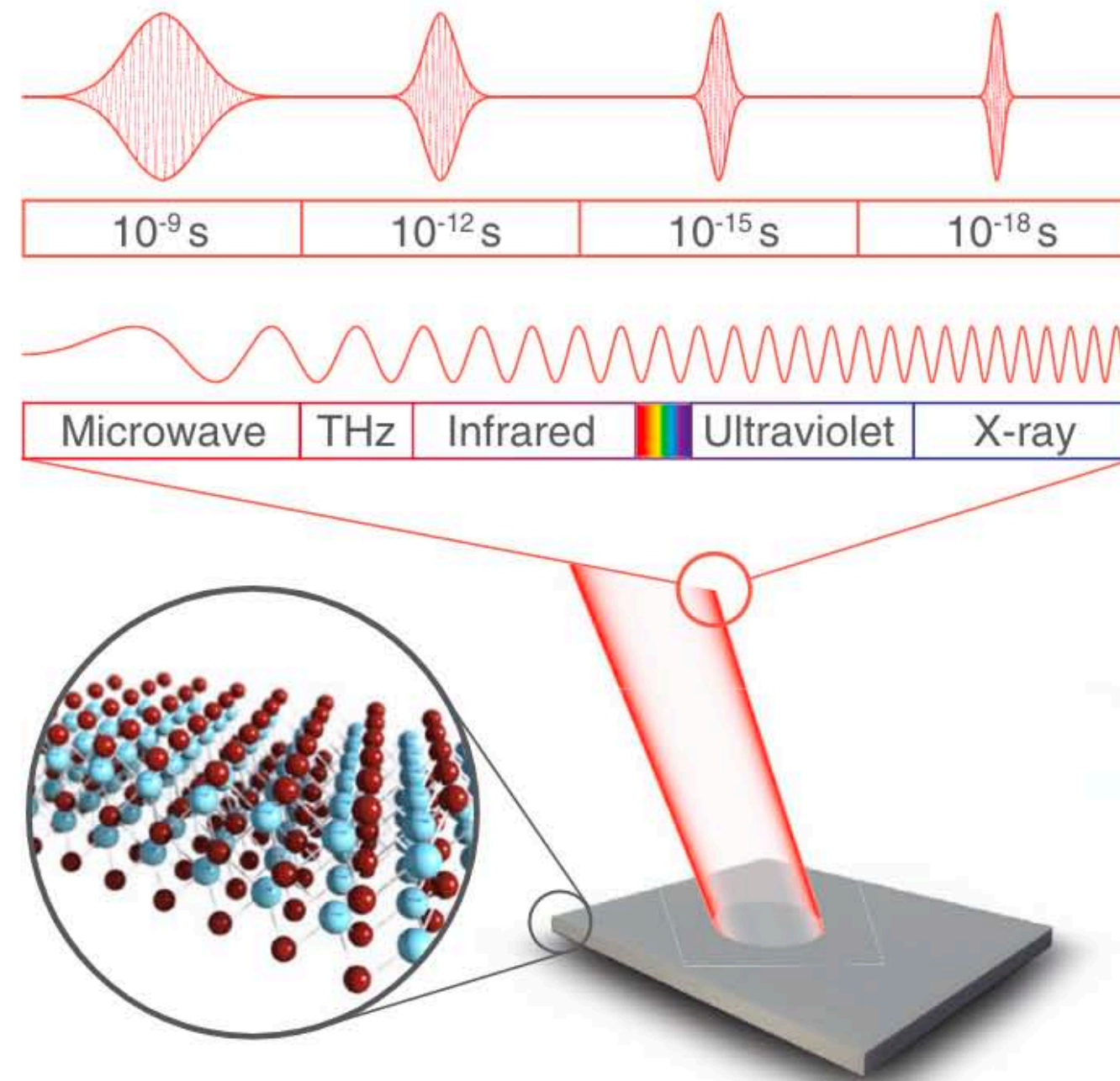
Optical probes

- Probes dielectric properties
- Flexible in implementation (spectral range, detection scheme, environment)
- fs time resolution



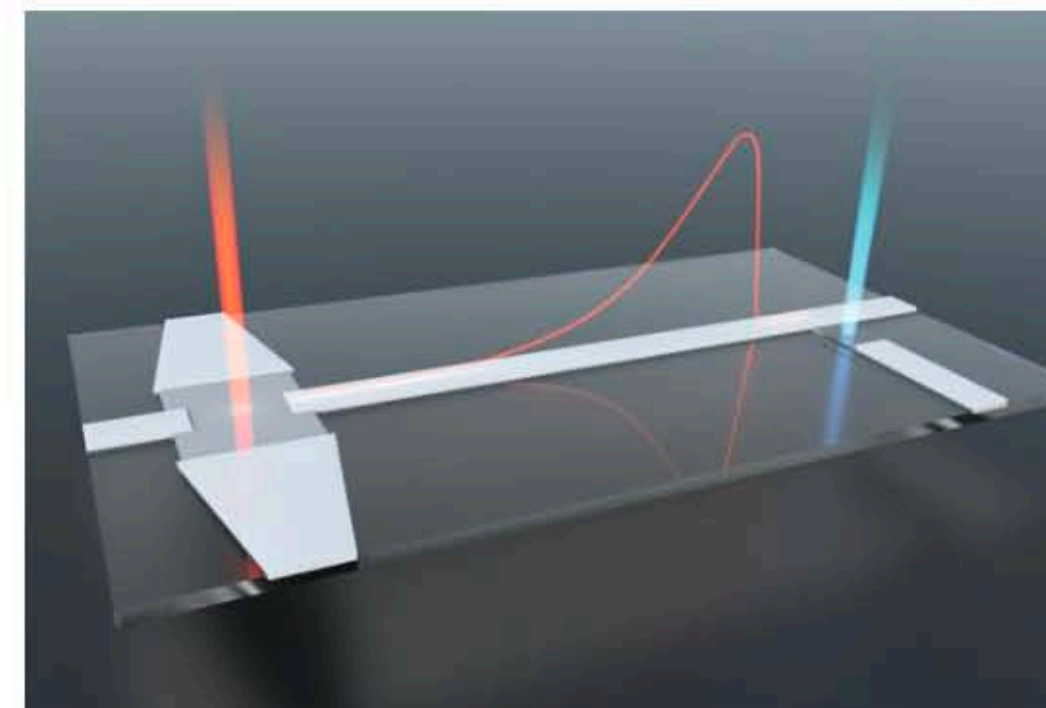
Scattering probes

- Probes structural dynamics and dynamics of electronic degrees of freedom at elemental resonances
- Access to dispersion relations via finite momentum transfer
- fs time resolution



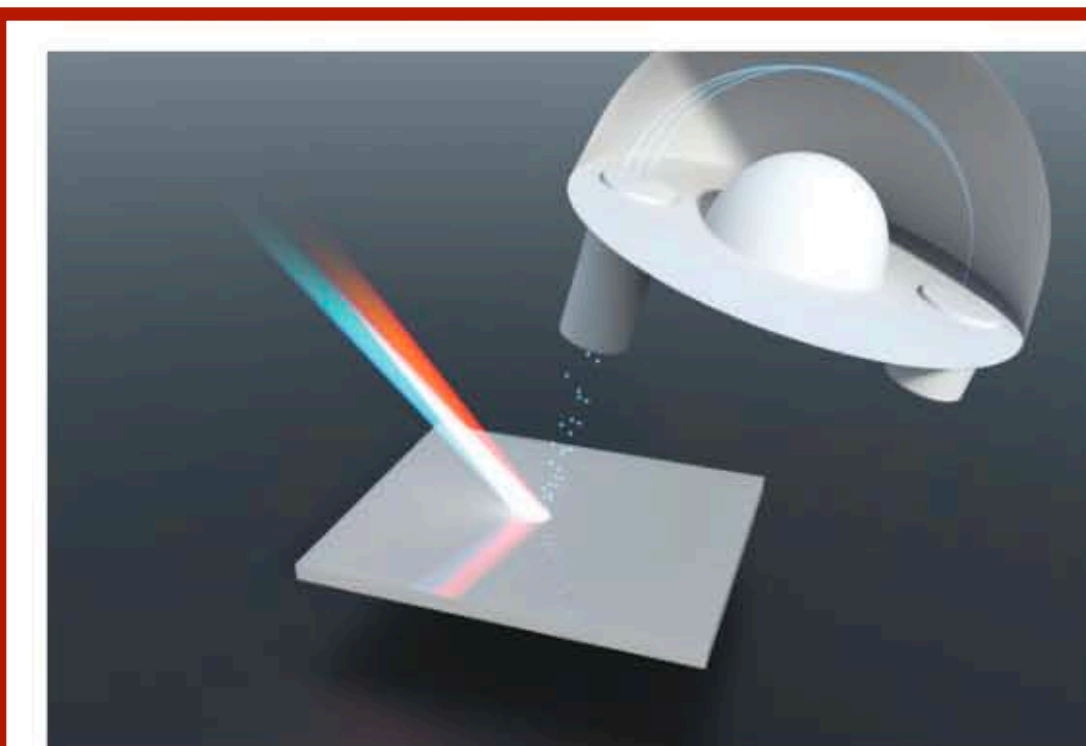
Scanning probes

- Probes optical constants in near-field (SNOM) or tunneling currents (STM)
- fs time resolution
- nm spatial resolution



Transport

- Probes transient photoconductivity
- Integrates well into microstructured devices
- Sub-ps time resolution



ARPES

- Probes time- and momentum-resolved carrier dynamics, and the evolution of electronic spectral functions
- Direct probe of electronic temperature
- Tunability of energy vs. time resolution (down to ~15 meV, ~30 fs)

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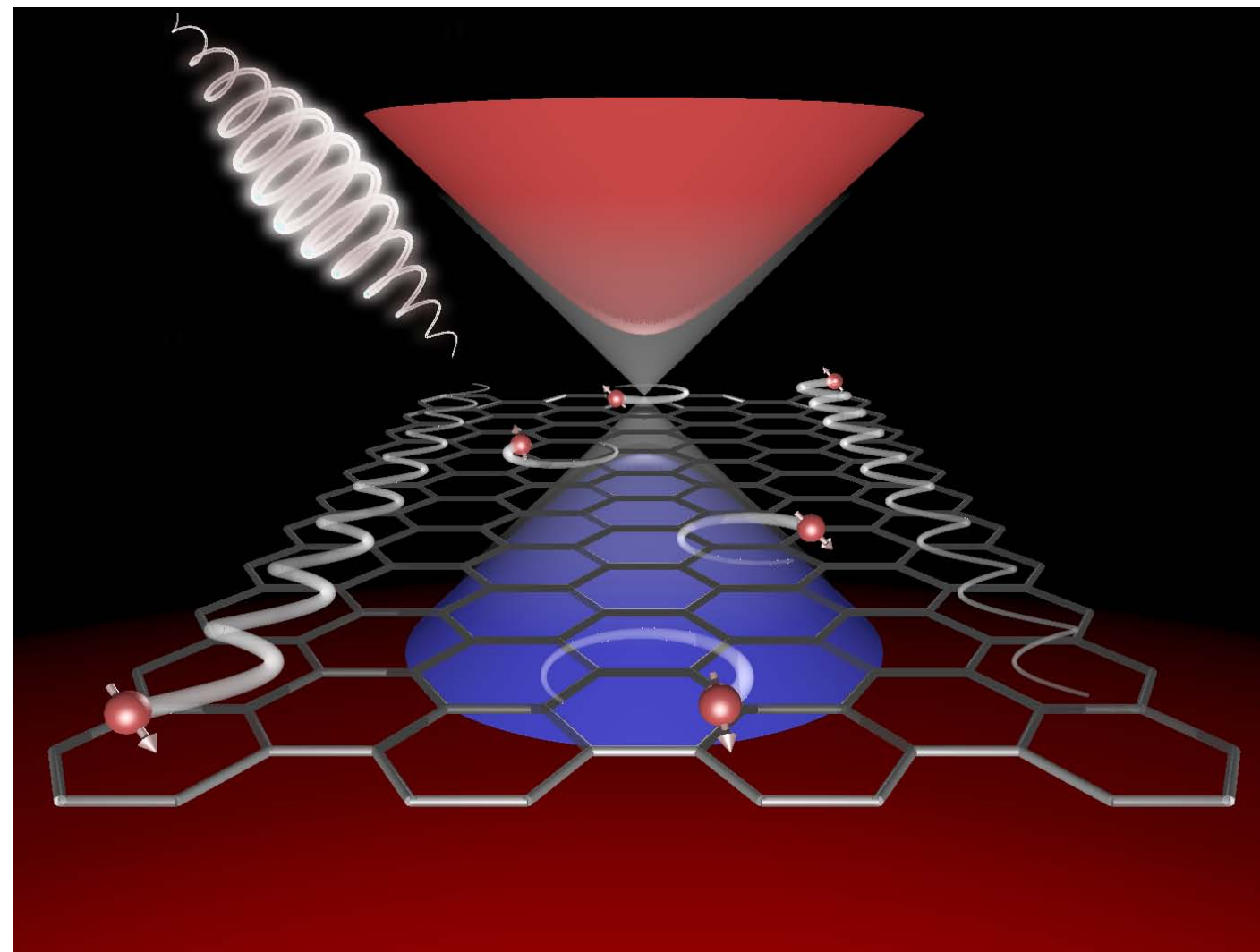
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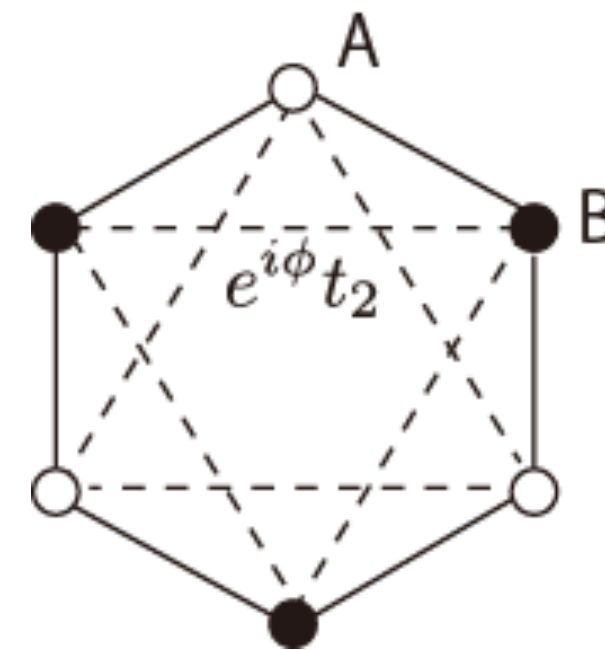
Example: Can one engineer the Haldane model dynamically?

Graphene + circularly polarized light
(breaks time reversal)



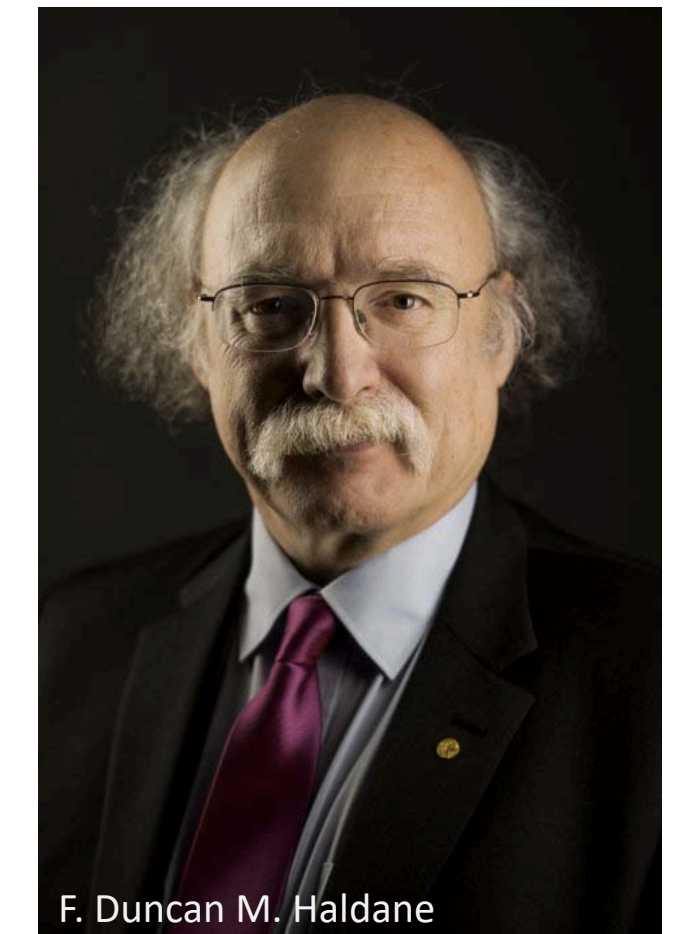
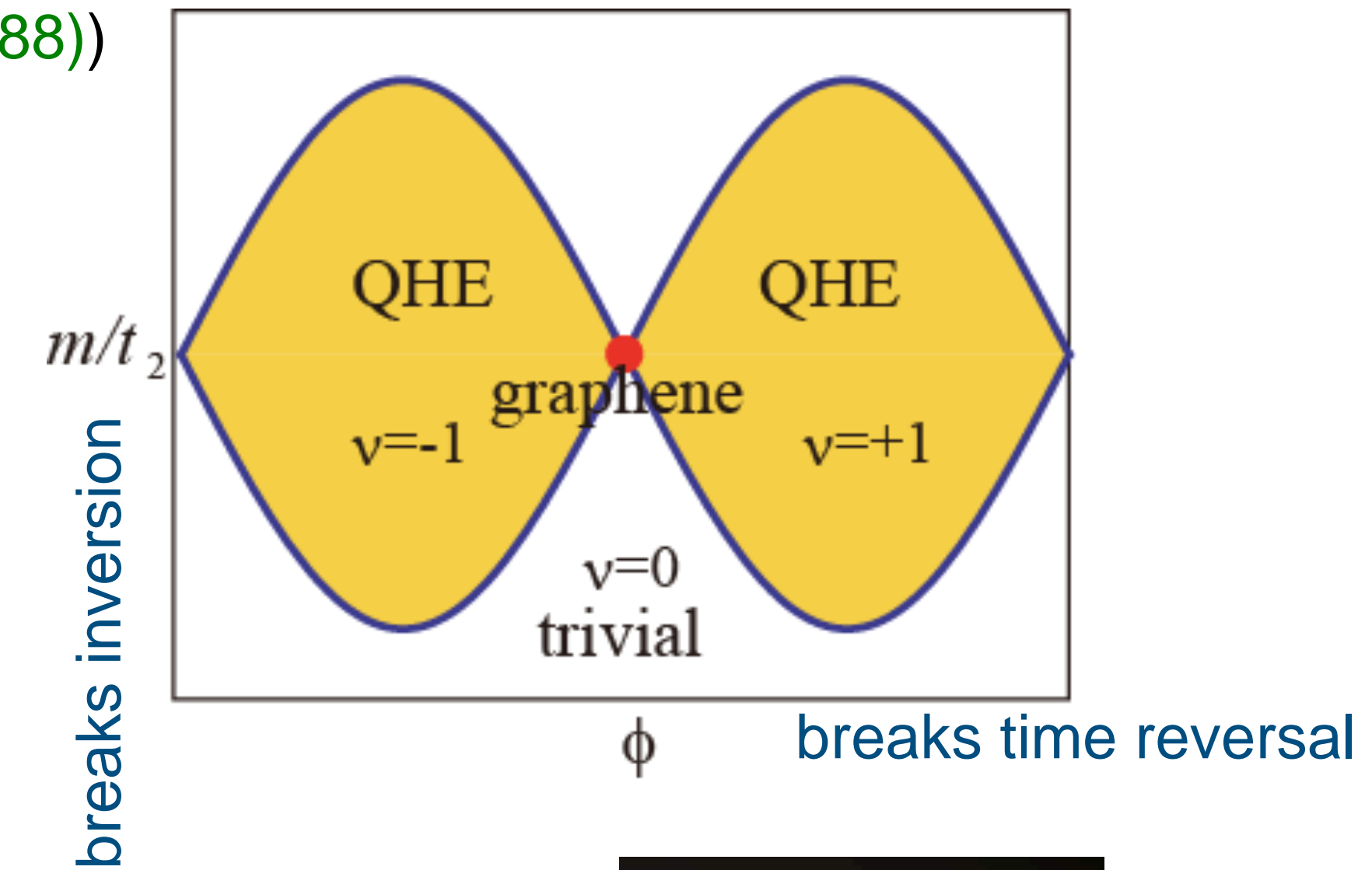
Need concept of Floquet engineering

Haldane model (PRL 61, 2015 (1988))



Local flux ϕ
Staggered field $m = E_A - E_B$
Fictitious fields!

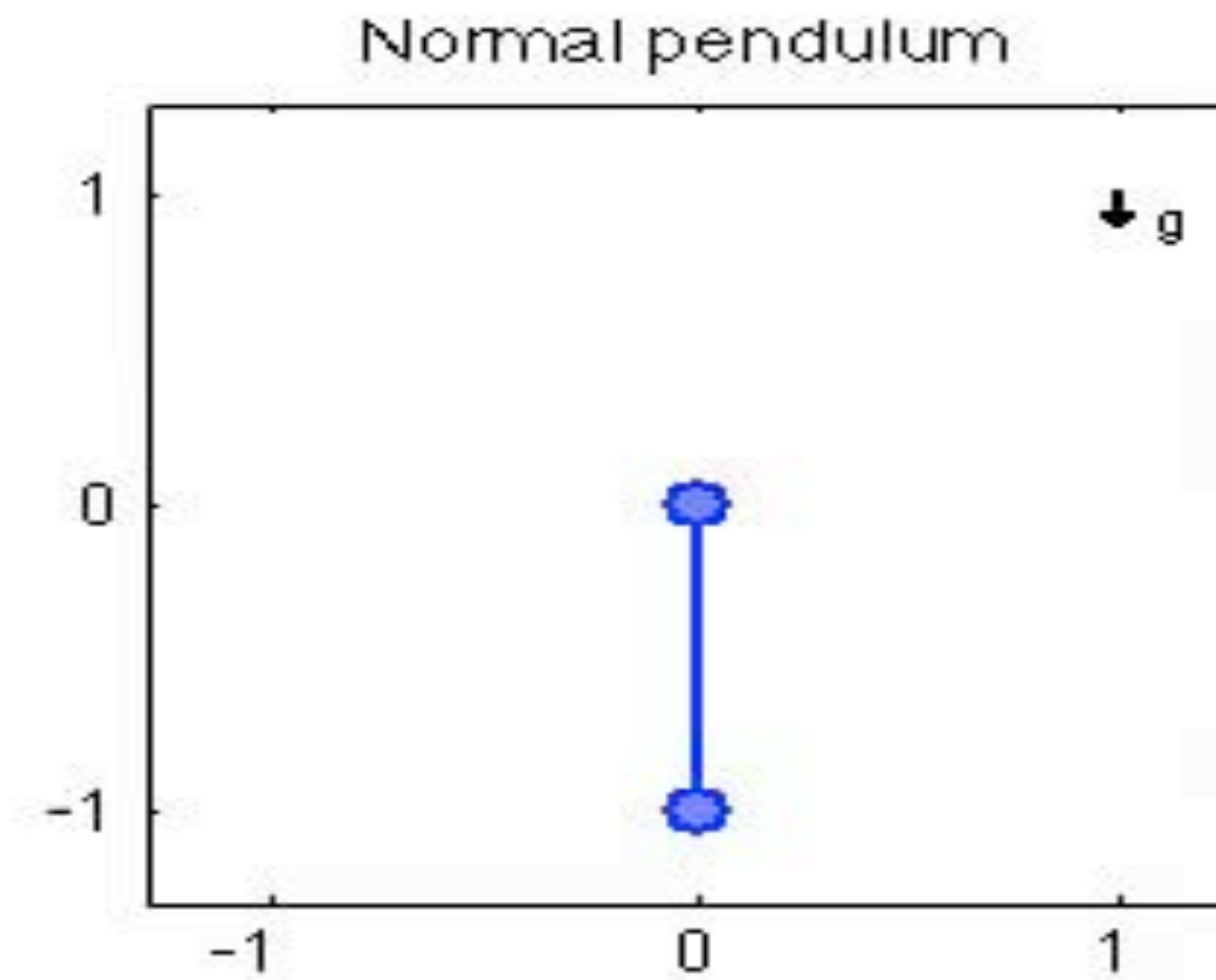
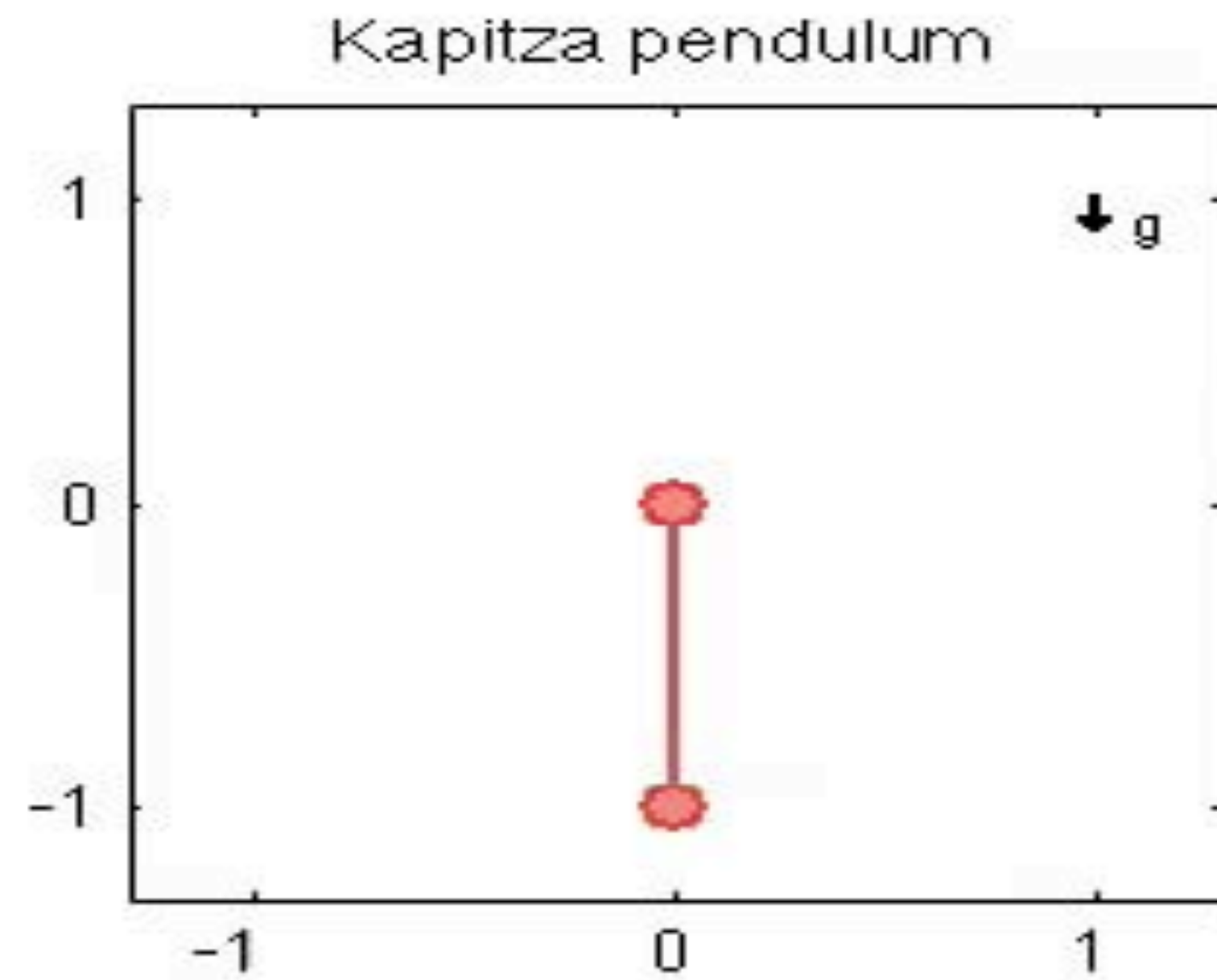
Quantum Hall effect without a magnetic field



F. Duncan M. Haldane

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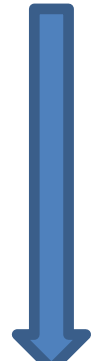
Kapitza pendulum: dynamical stabilization of metastable state



Floquet theory in a nutshell

time periodic system

$$i\partial_t\psi = H(t)\psi \quad H(t) = H(t+T) \quad \Omega = 2\pi/T$$

=discrete Fourier trans. 

$$\Psi(t) = e^{-i\varepsilon t} \sum_m \phi^m e^{-im\Omega t}$$

Floquet Hamiltonian (static eigenvalue problem)

$$\sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \mathcal{H}^{mn} \phi_\alpha^m = \varepsilon_\alpha \phi_\alpha^n \quad \varepsilon: \text{Floquet quasi-energy}$$

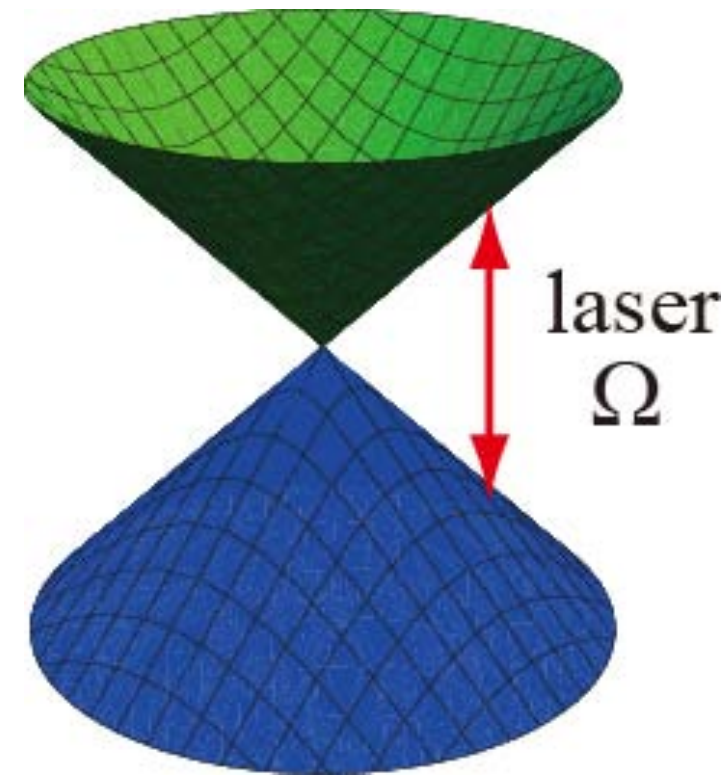
$$(\mathcal{H})^{mn} = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T dt H(t) e^{i(m-n)\Omega t} + m\delta_{mn}\Omega I$$

comes from the $i\partial_t$ term

$$H_m = \mathcal{H}^{m0}$$

~ absorption of m “photons”

Dirac fermion with circularly polarized laser



coupling to AC field

$$\mathbf{k} \rightarrow \mathbf{k} + \mathbf{A}(t)$$

$$\mathbf{k} = k_x + ik_y$$

$$\mathbf{A}(t) = (F/\Omega \cos \Omega t, F/\Omega \sin \Omega t)$$

$$A = F/\Omega$$

time dependent Schrödinger equation

$$i\partial_t \psi_{\mathbf{k}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & k + Ae^{i\Omega t} \\ \bar{k} + Ae^{-i\Omega t} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \psi_{\mathbf{k}}$$

Floquet theory

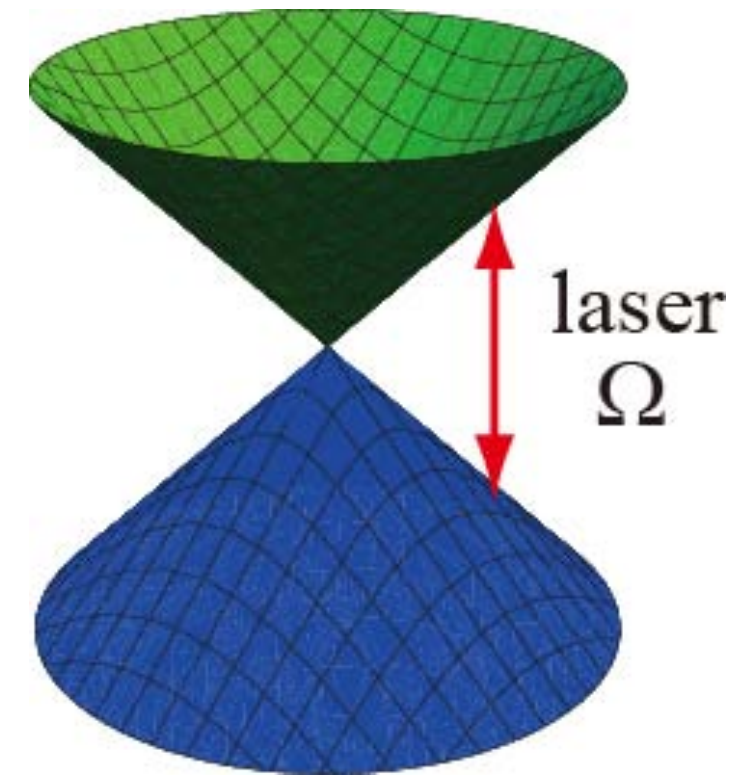


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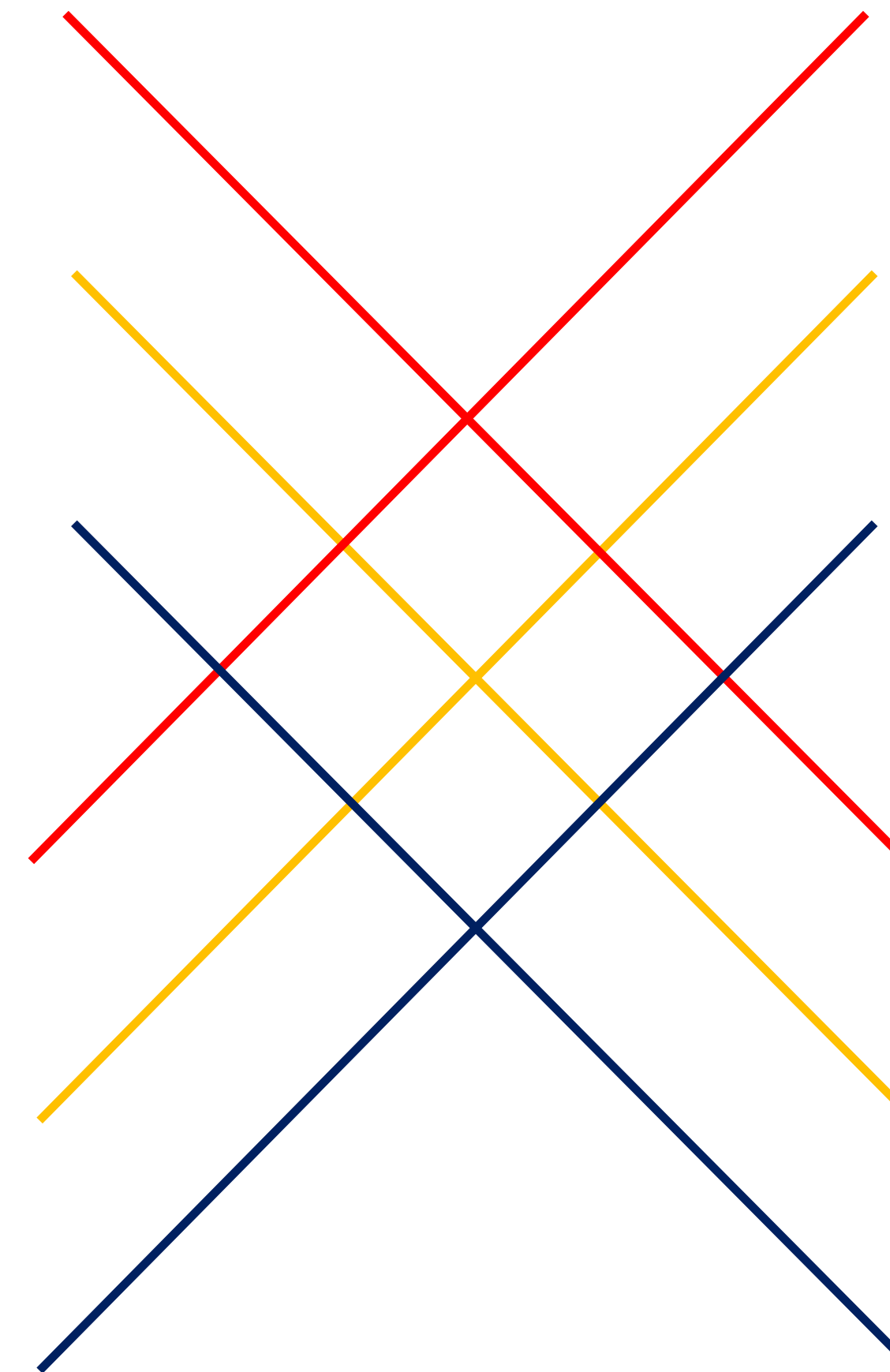
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truncated at $m=0,+1,-1$ for display

Dirac fermion with circularly polarized laser



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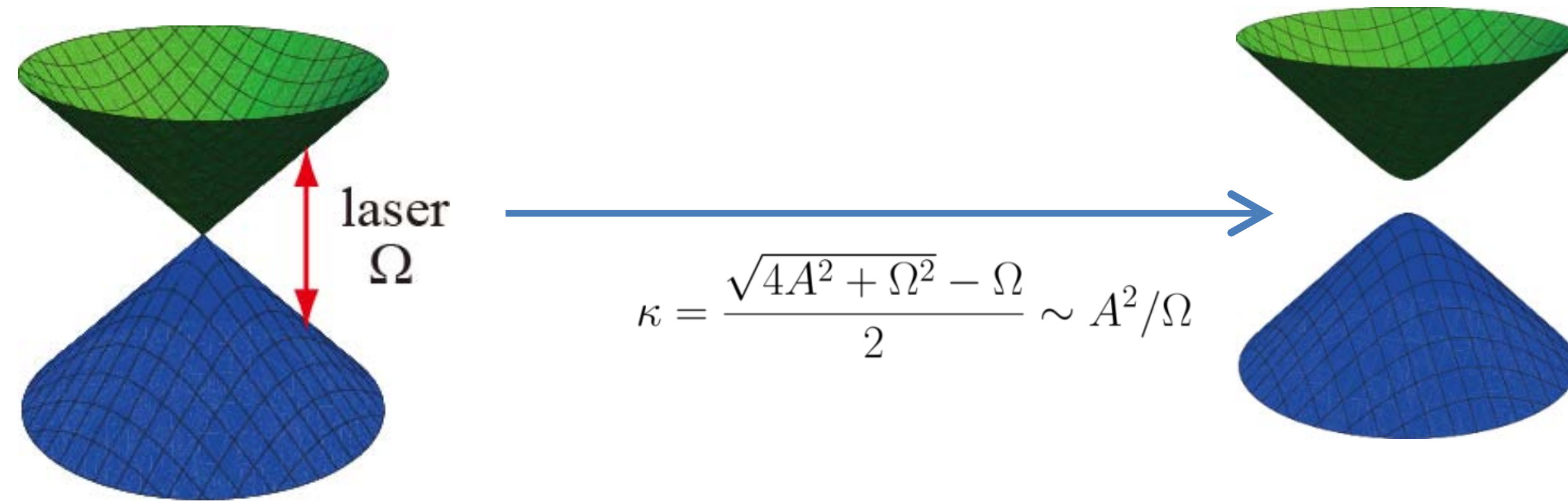


1-photon absorbed state

0-photon absorbed state

-1-photon absorbed state

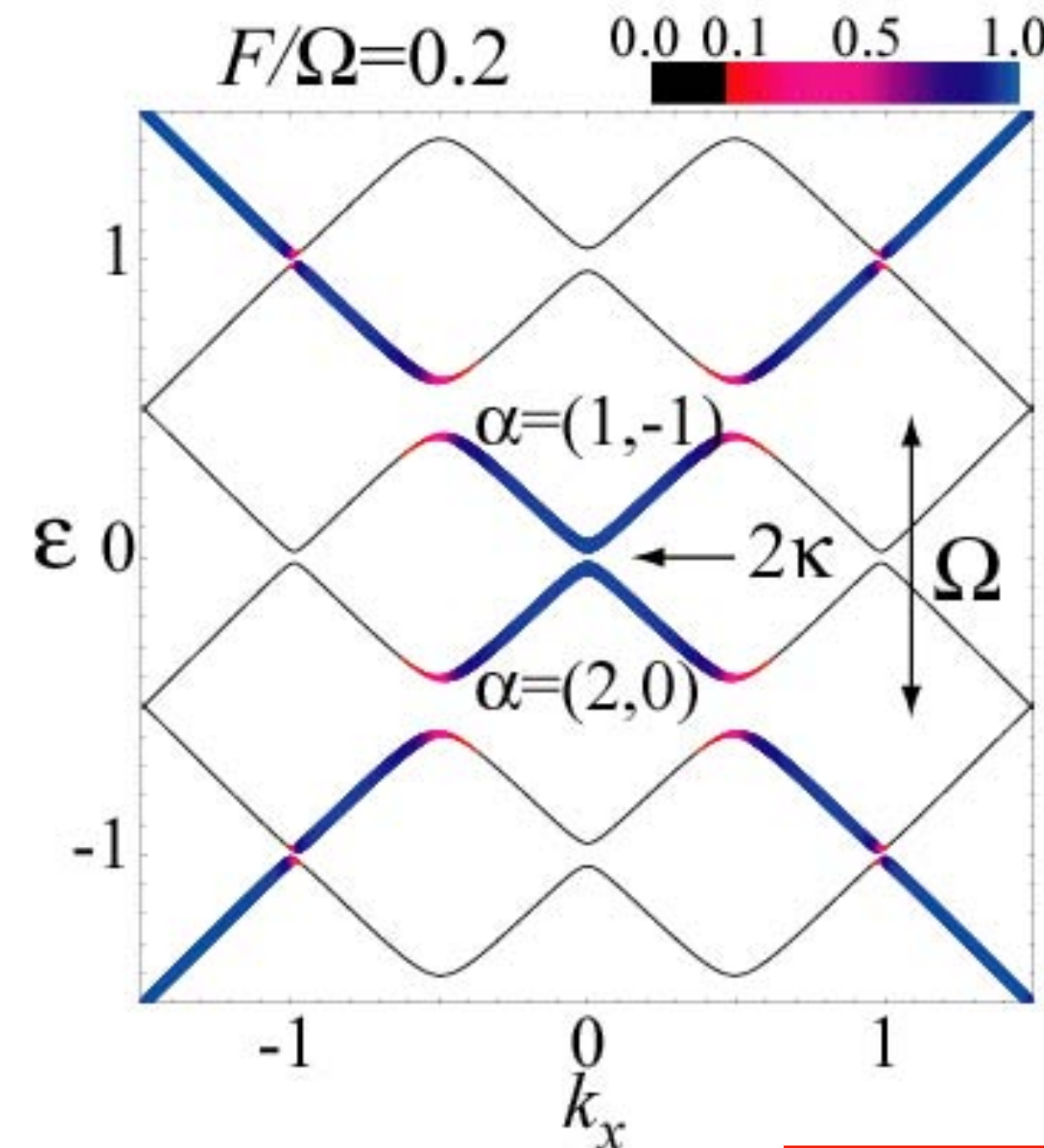
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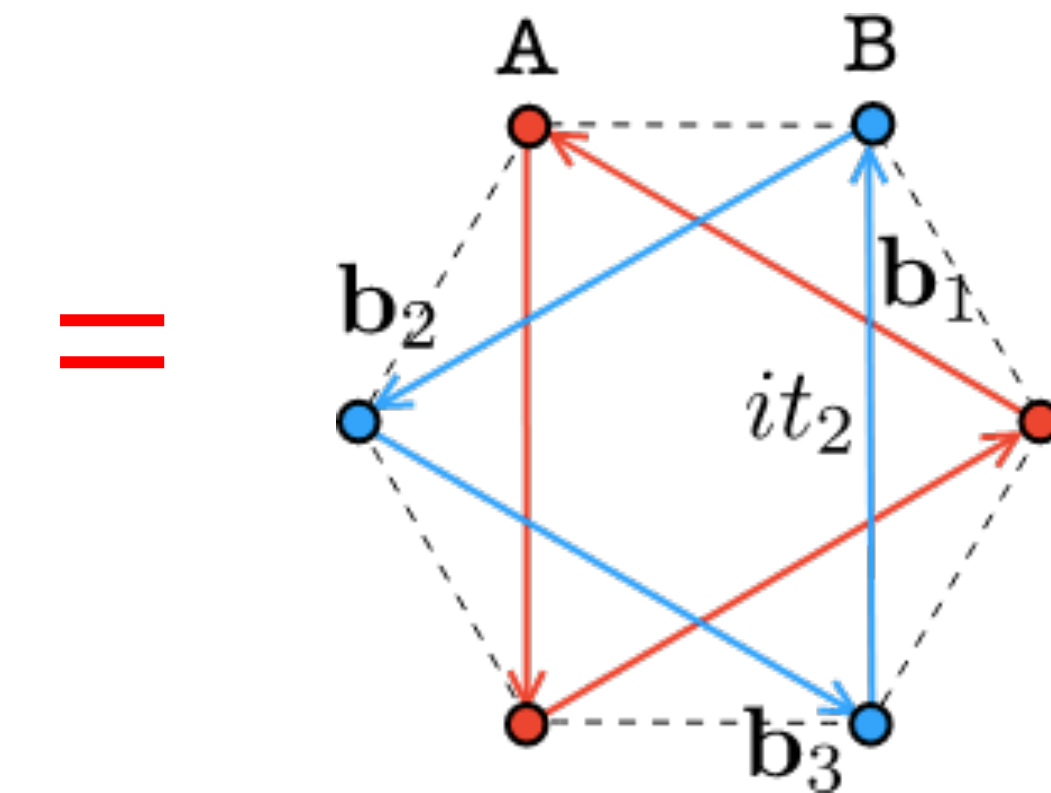
Mass term =
 synthetic field stemming from a
 real time-dependent field $A(t)$

sign of mass term determined
 by chirality of light

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Haldane, PRL 61, 2015 (1988)



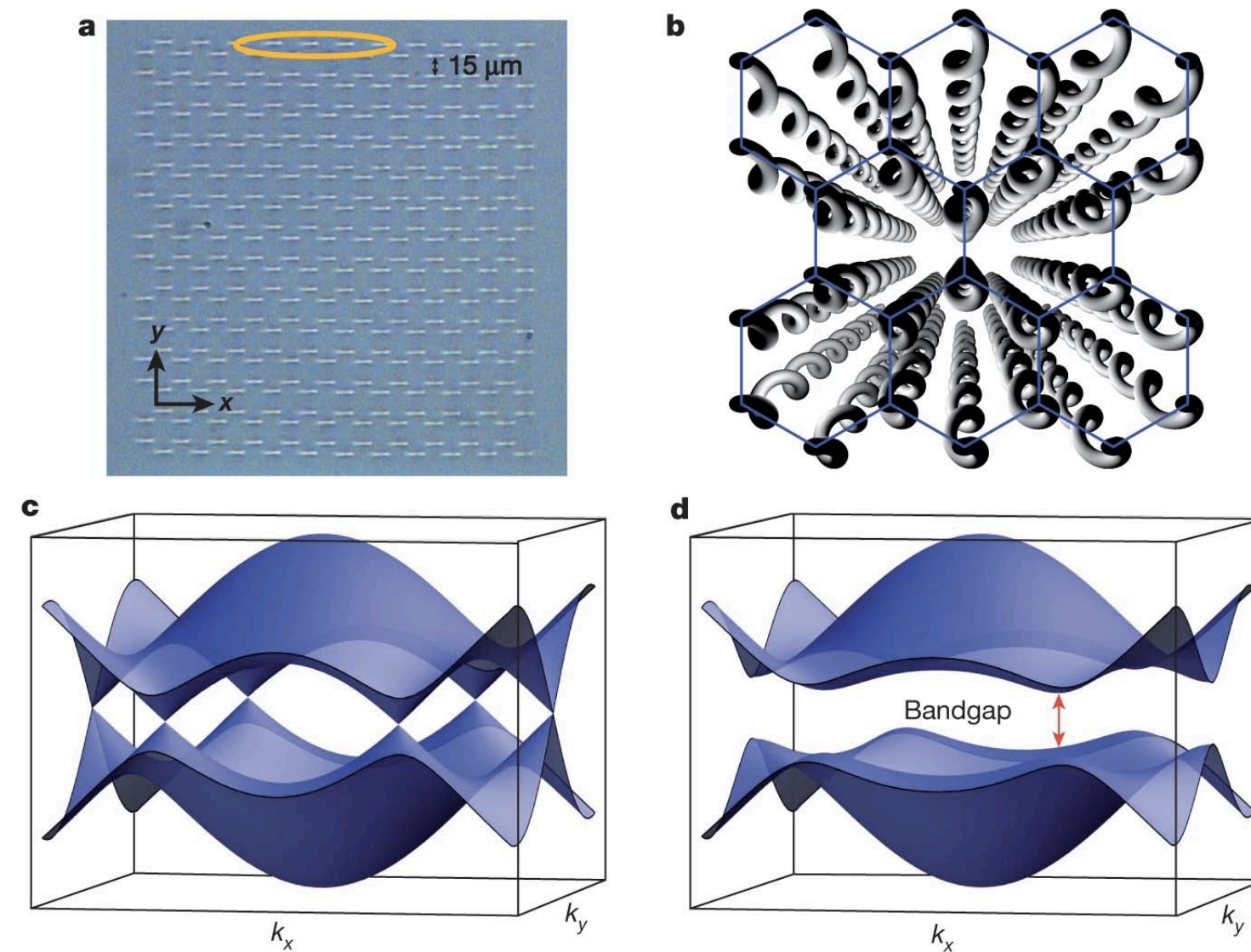
Oka and Aoki, PRB 79, 081406 (2009)

Haldane model emulated with time-periodic drive

Floquet topology across platforms

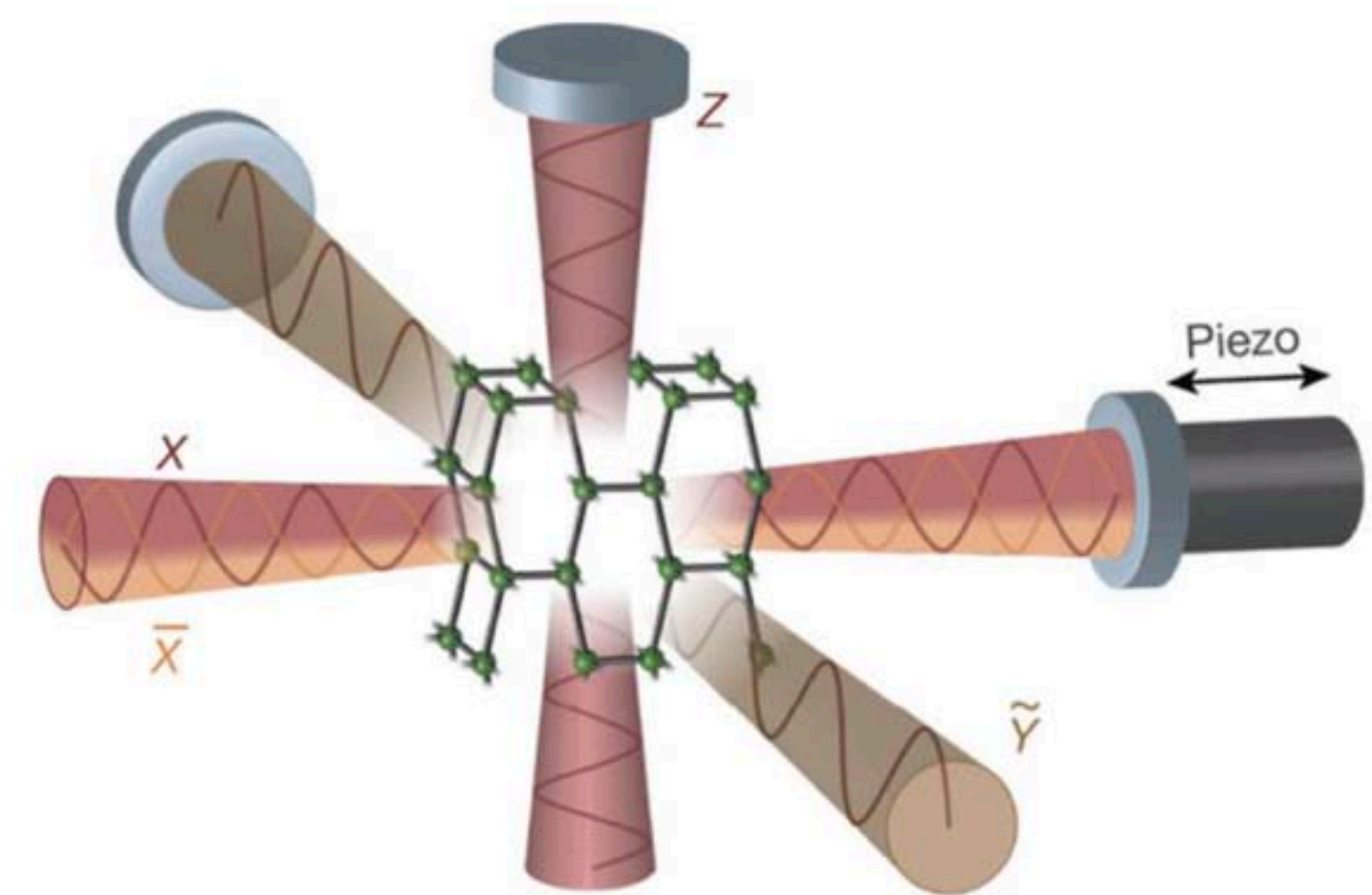
Photonic Floquet topological insulators

M. Rechtsman et al., Nature 496, 196 (2013)



Haldane model with ultracold fermions

G. Jotzu et al., Nature 515, 237 (2014)



review:

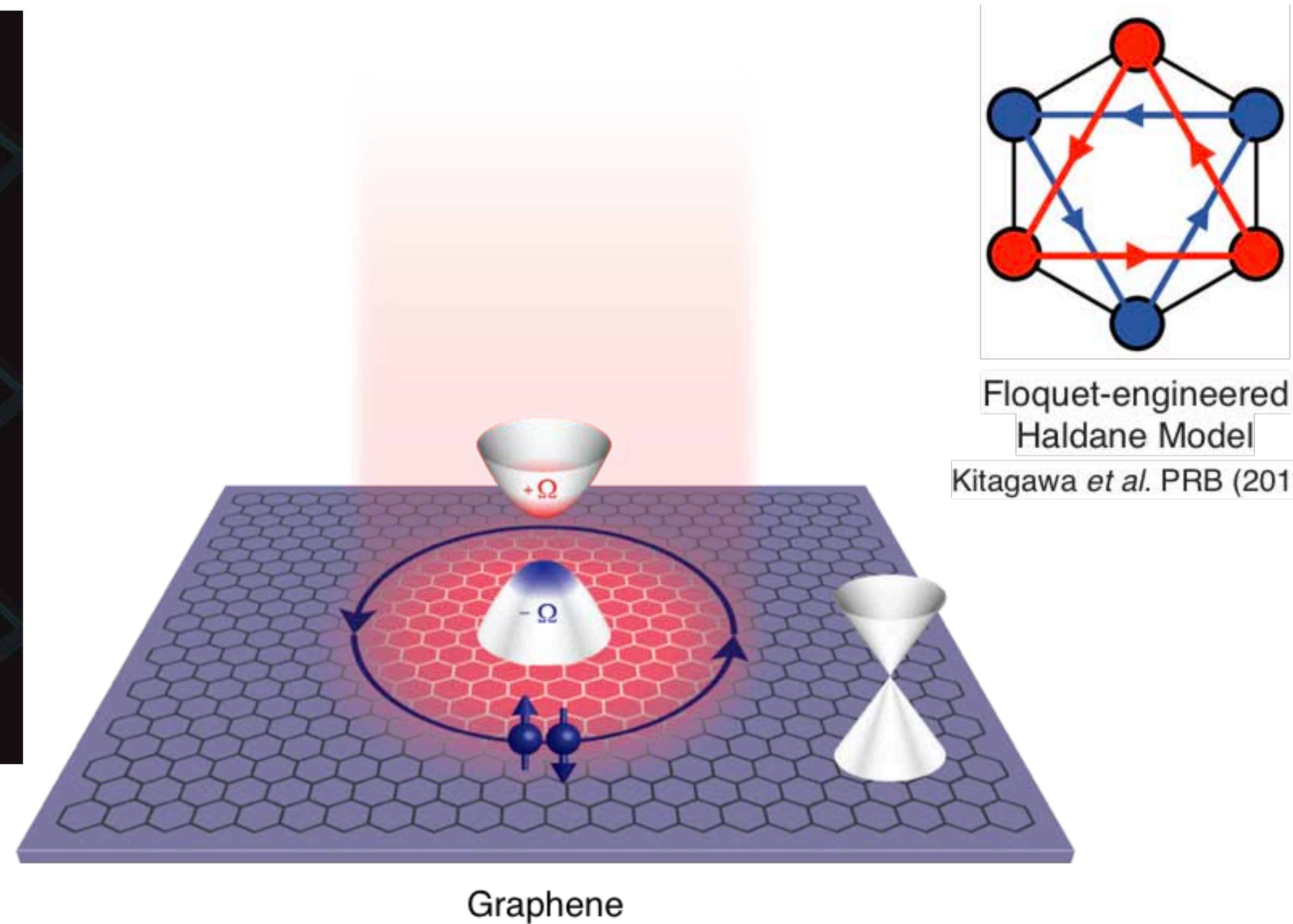
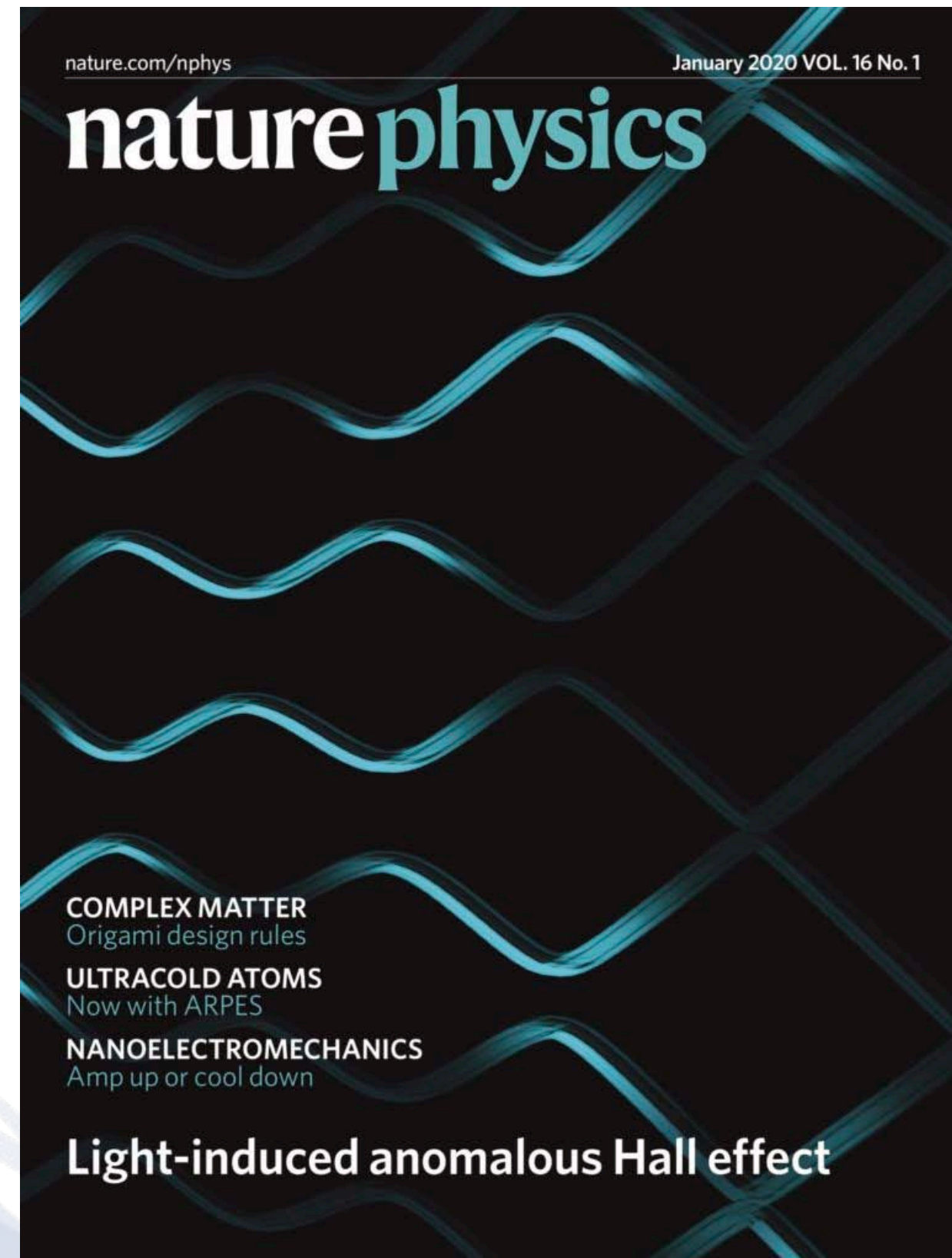
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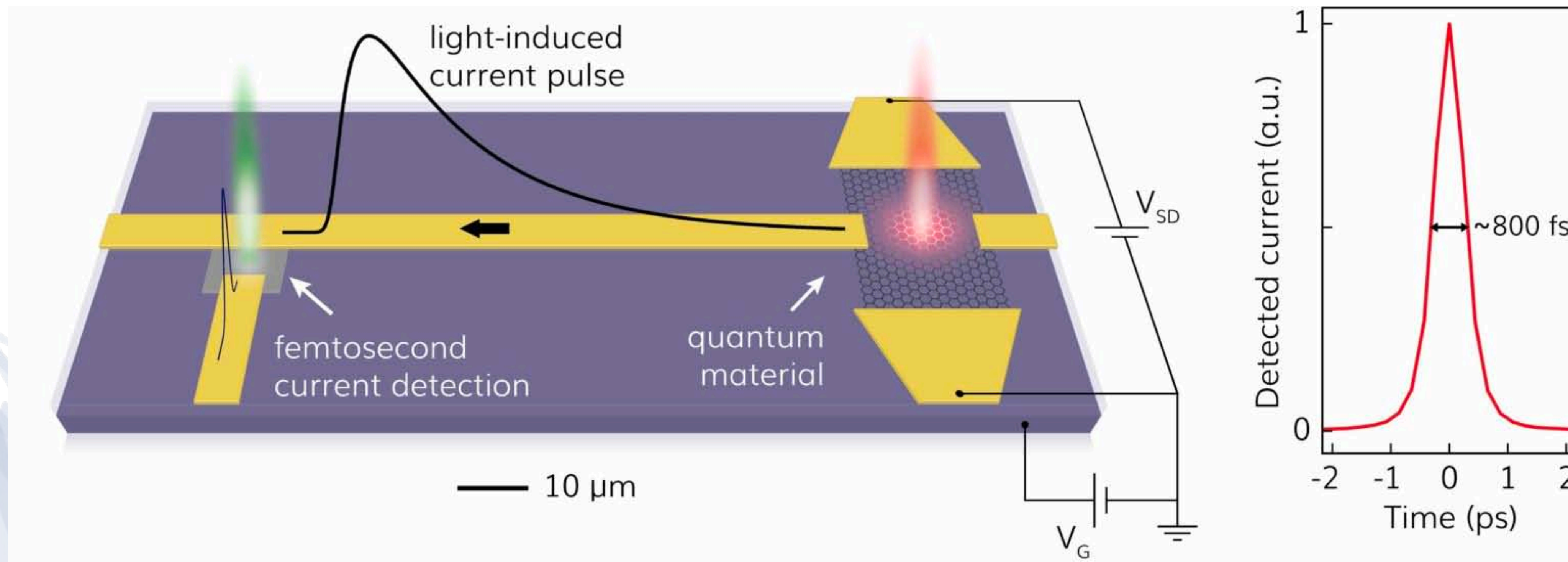
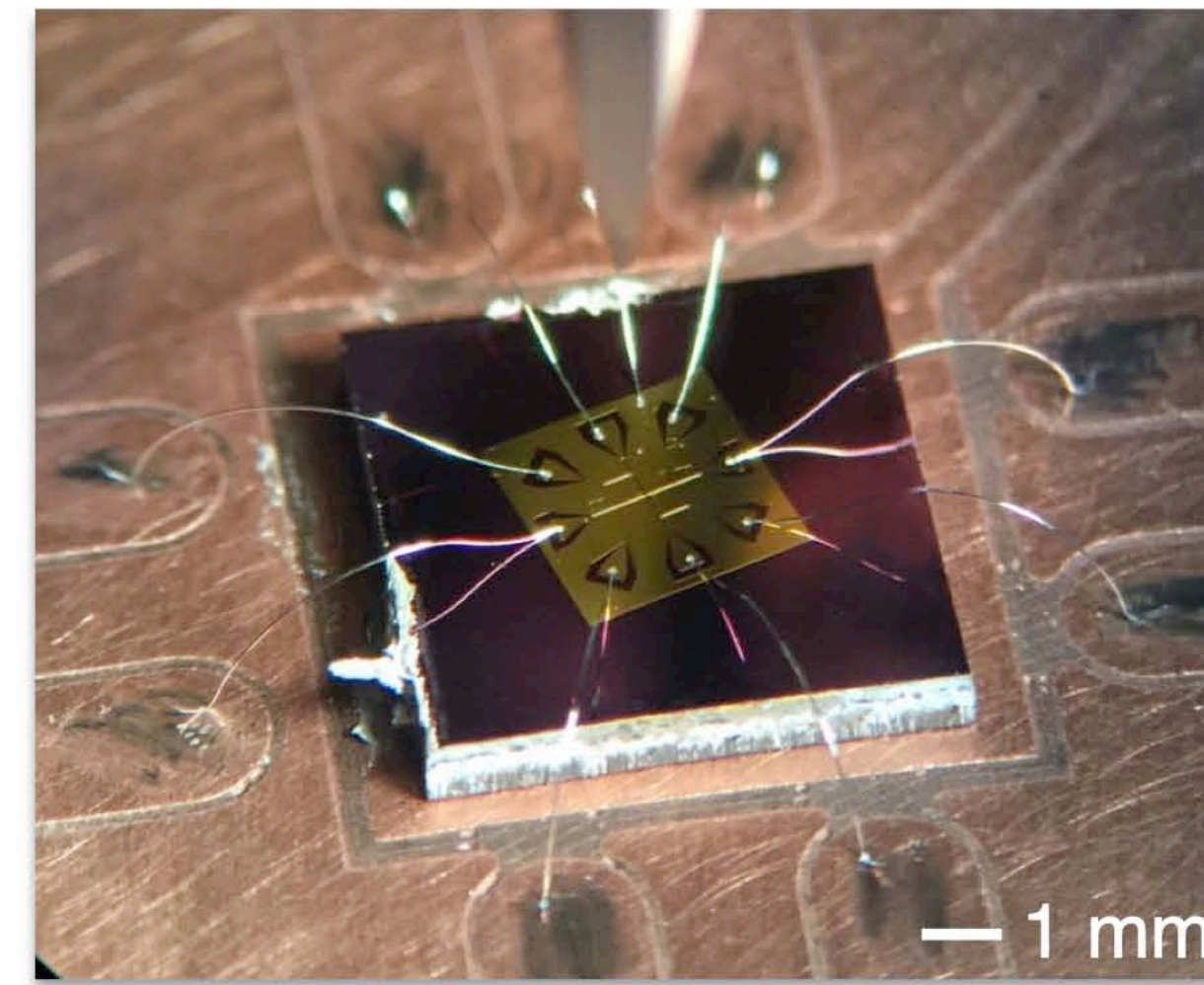
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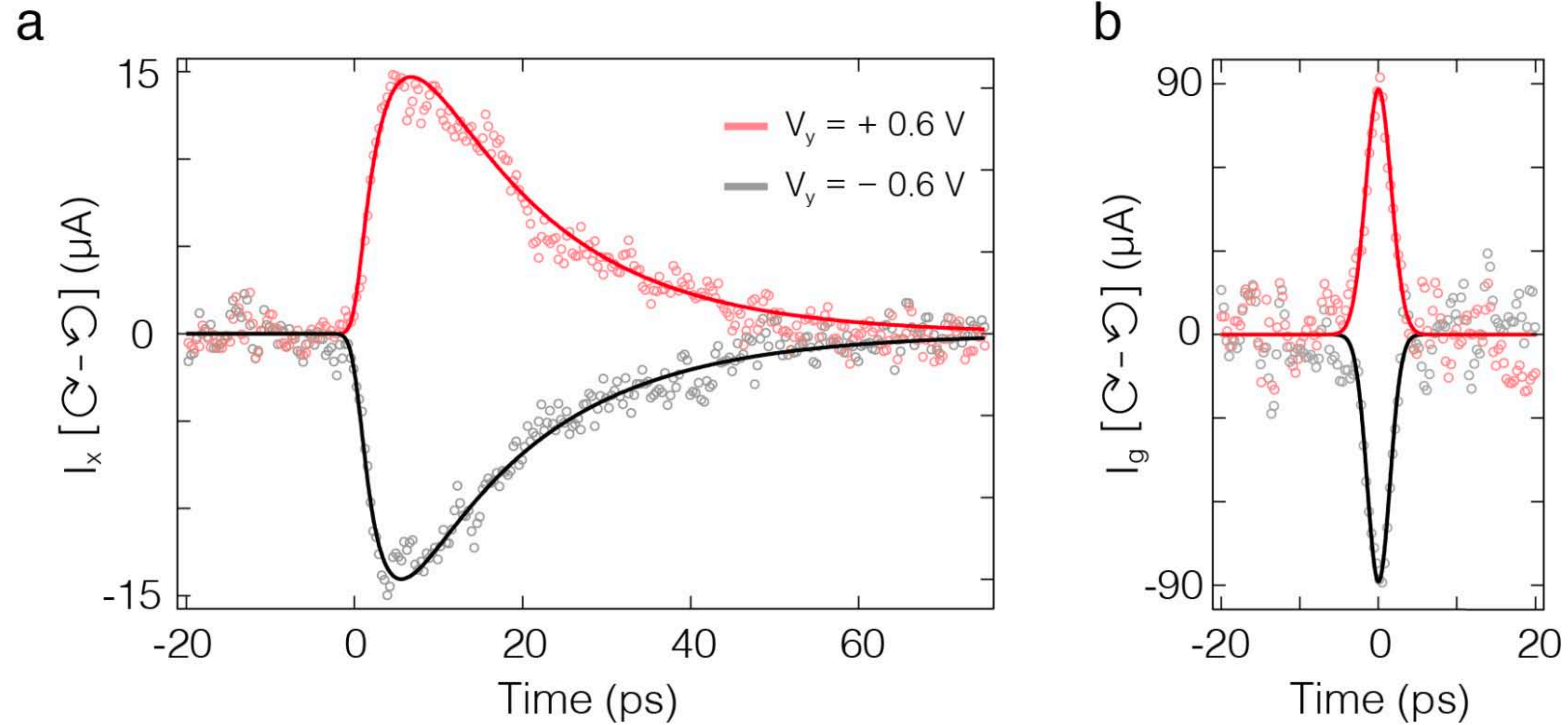


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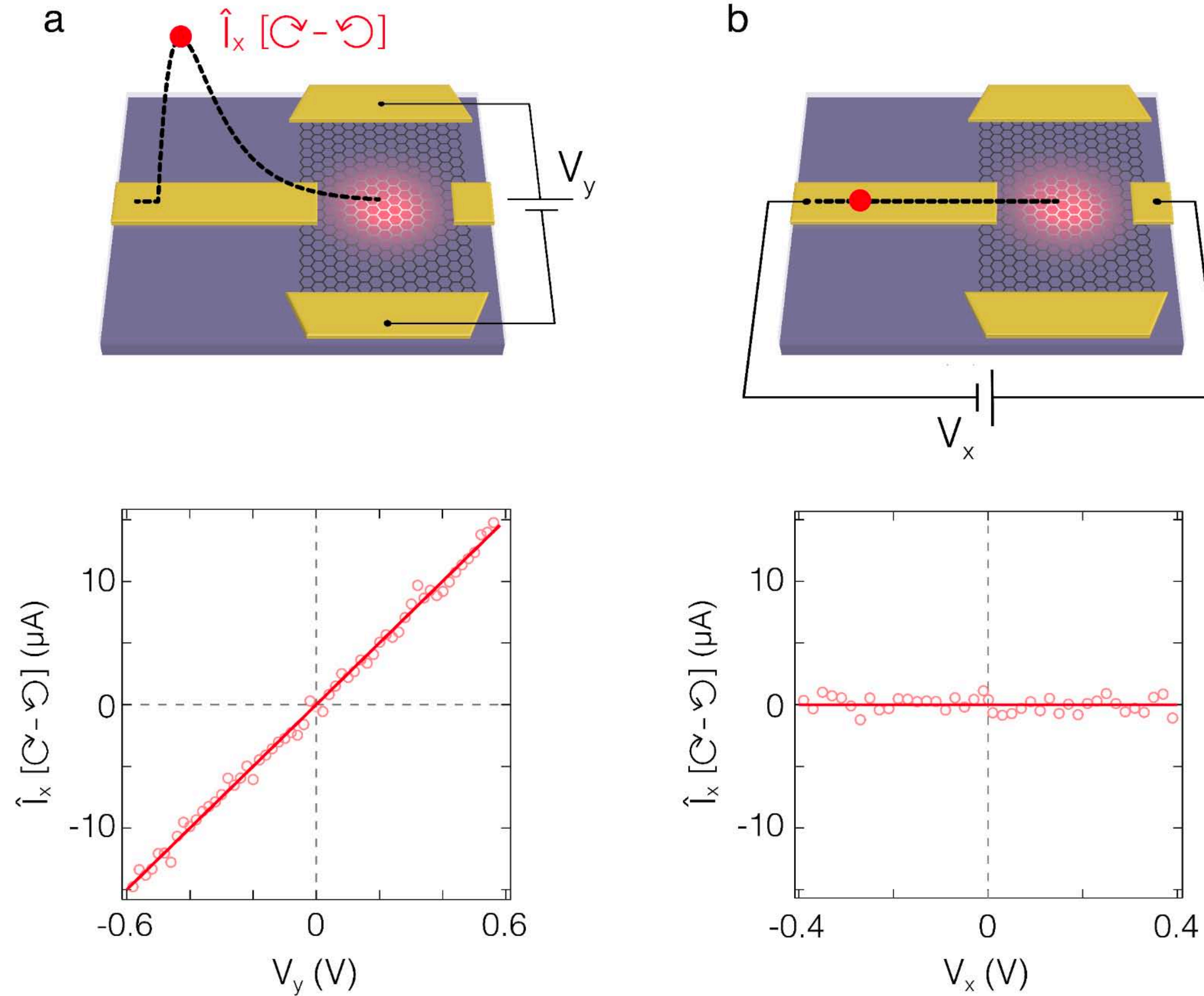
Femtosecond science on-chip



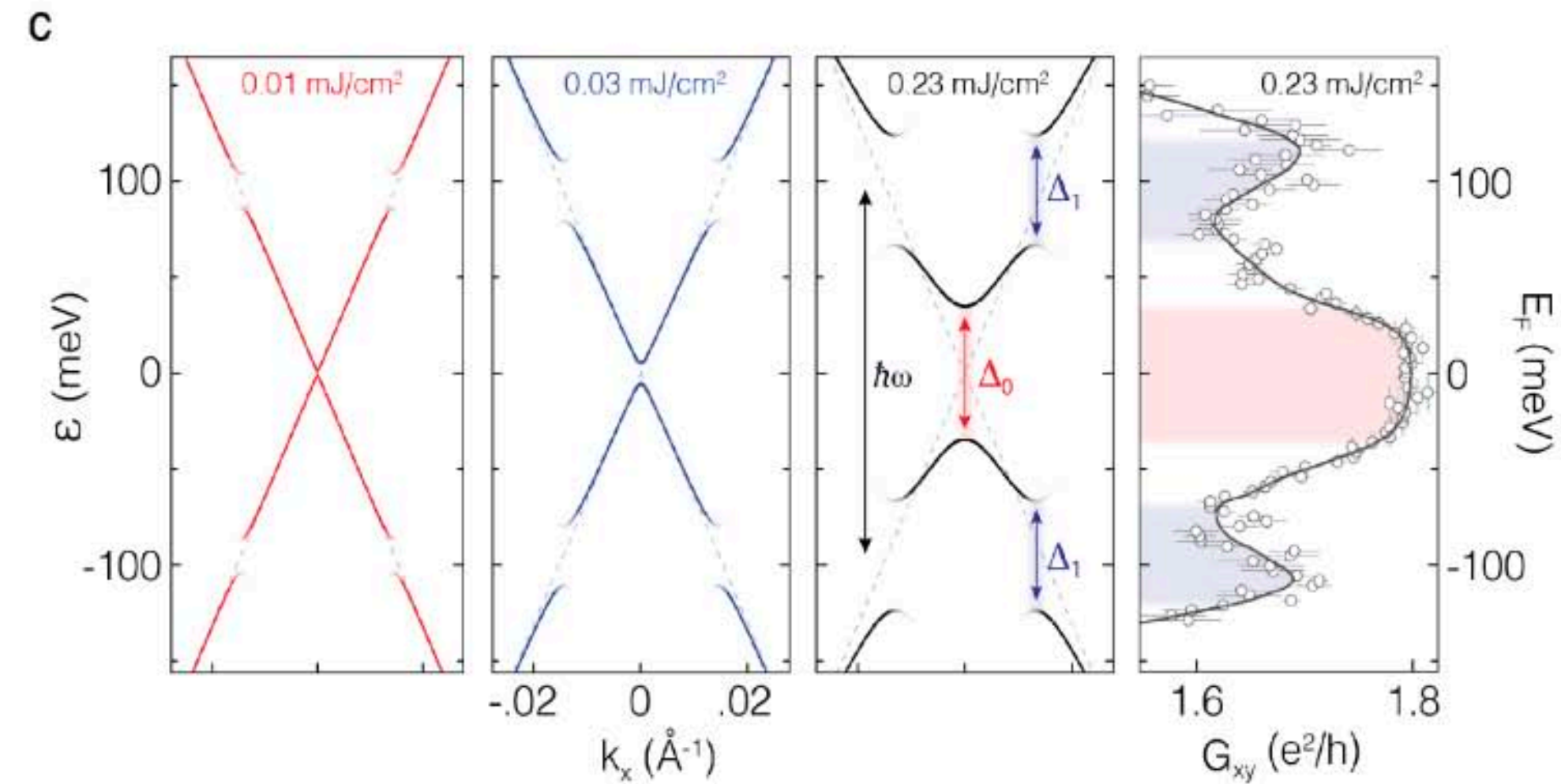
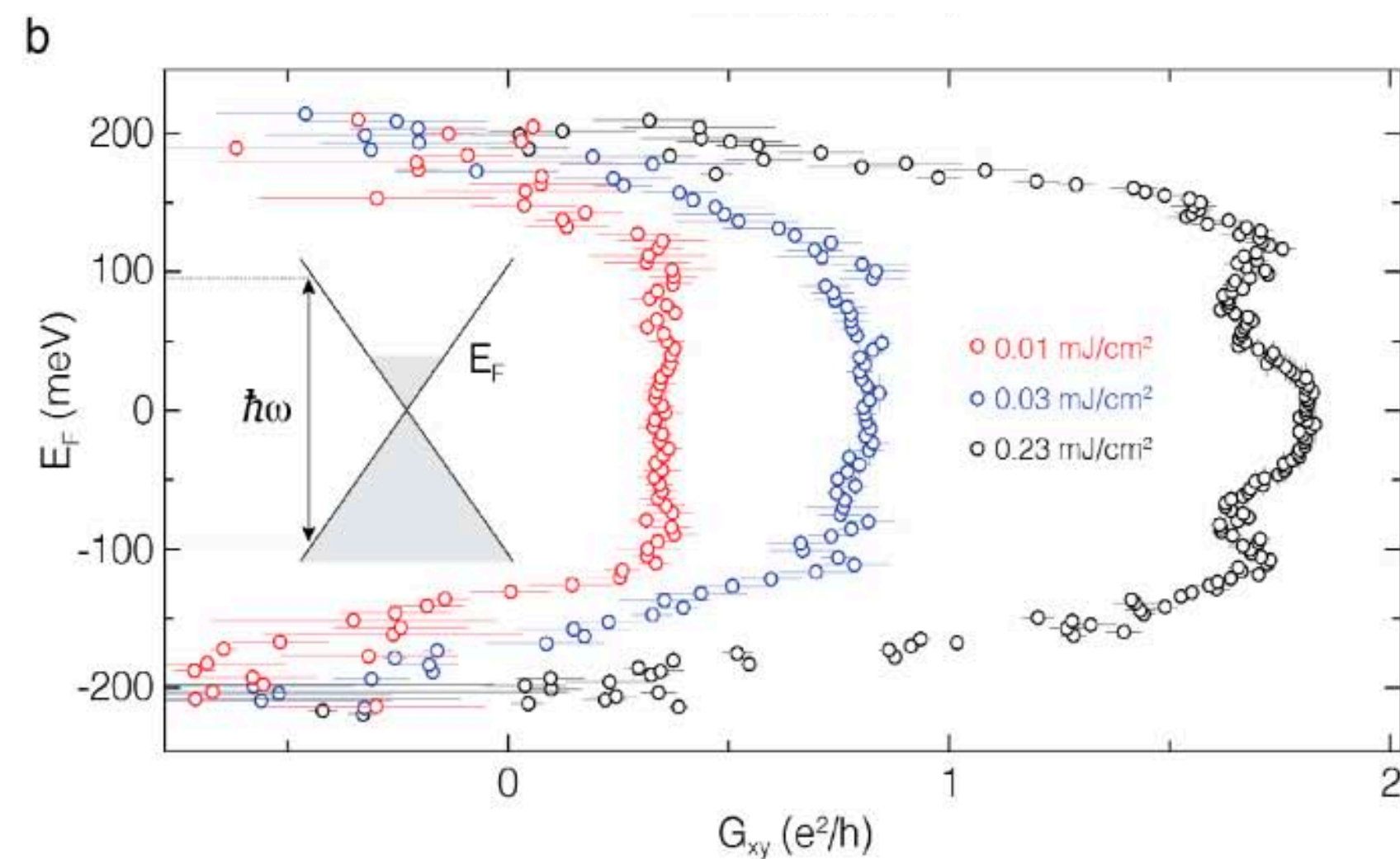
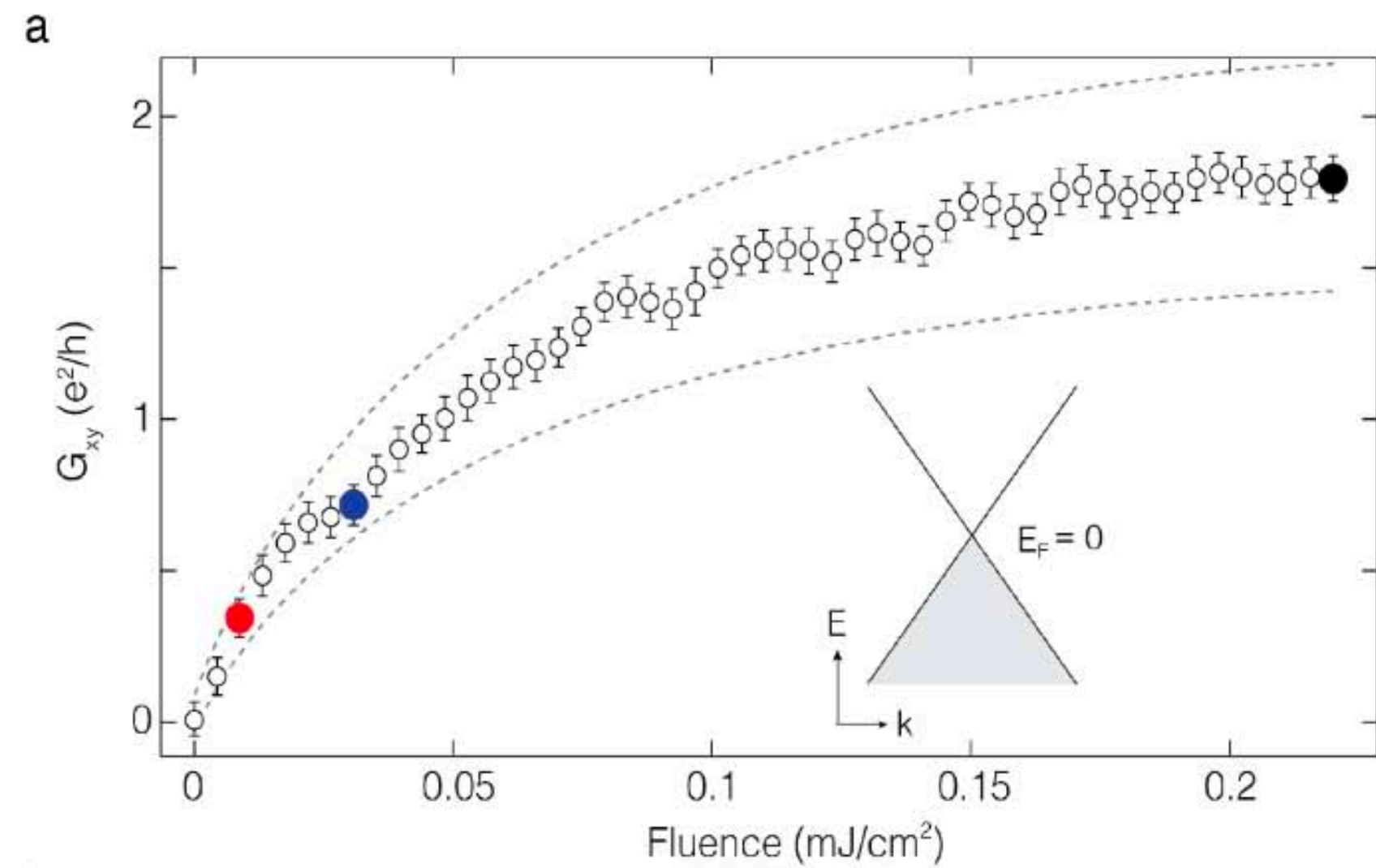
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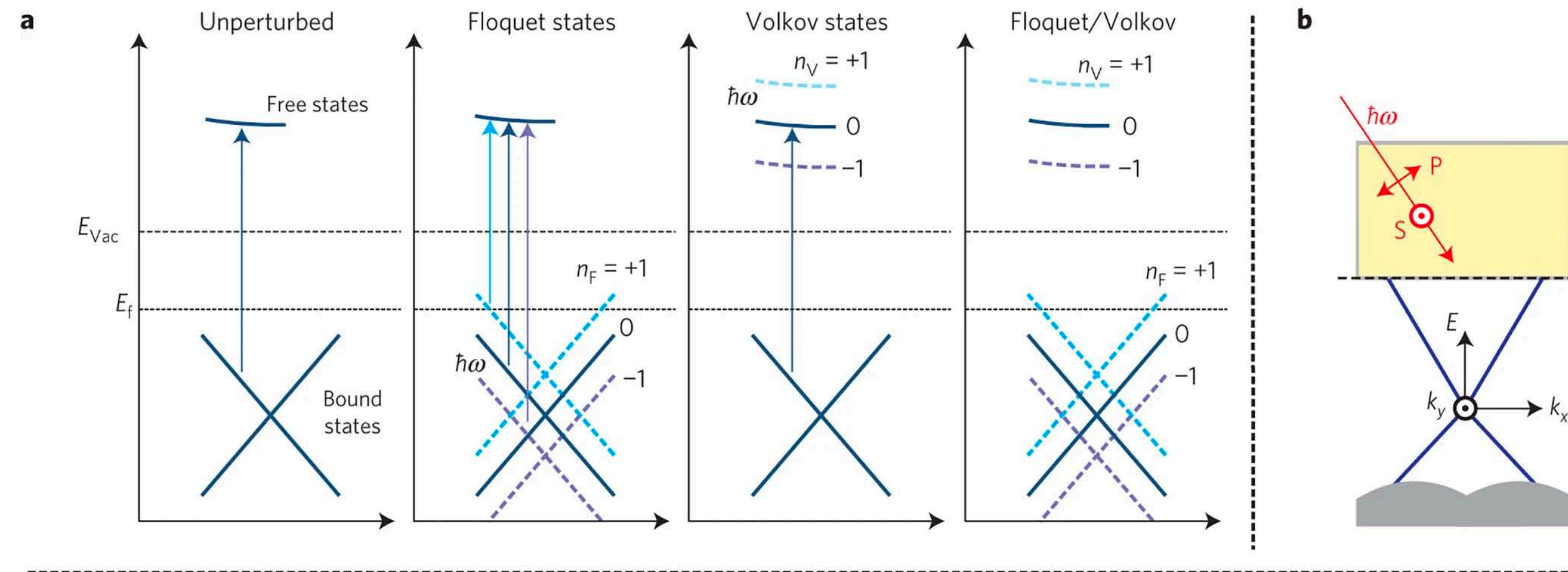
observations:

- a light-induced Hall effect without applying magnetic field
- has the right symmetries (changing from right-handed to left-handed light changes the sign)
- Hall conductance at strong laser fluence approaches a value consistent with $2e^2/h$
- shows peaks and dips reminiscent of Floquet-induced gaps as a function of chemical potential
- ... are these really Floquet topology effects?

Theory: **yes but** there are also population imbalance contributions
(S.A. Sato et al., Phys. Rev. B 99, 214302 (2019), M. Nuske et al., PRR 2, 043408 (2020))

Floquet physics in materials

... observation in 3D topological insulator surface 2D Dirac fermions

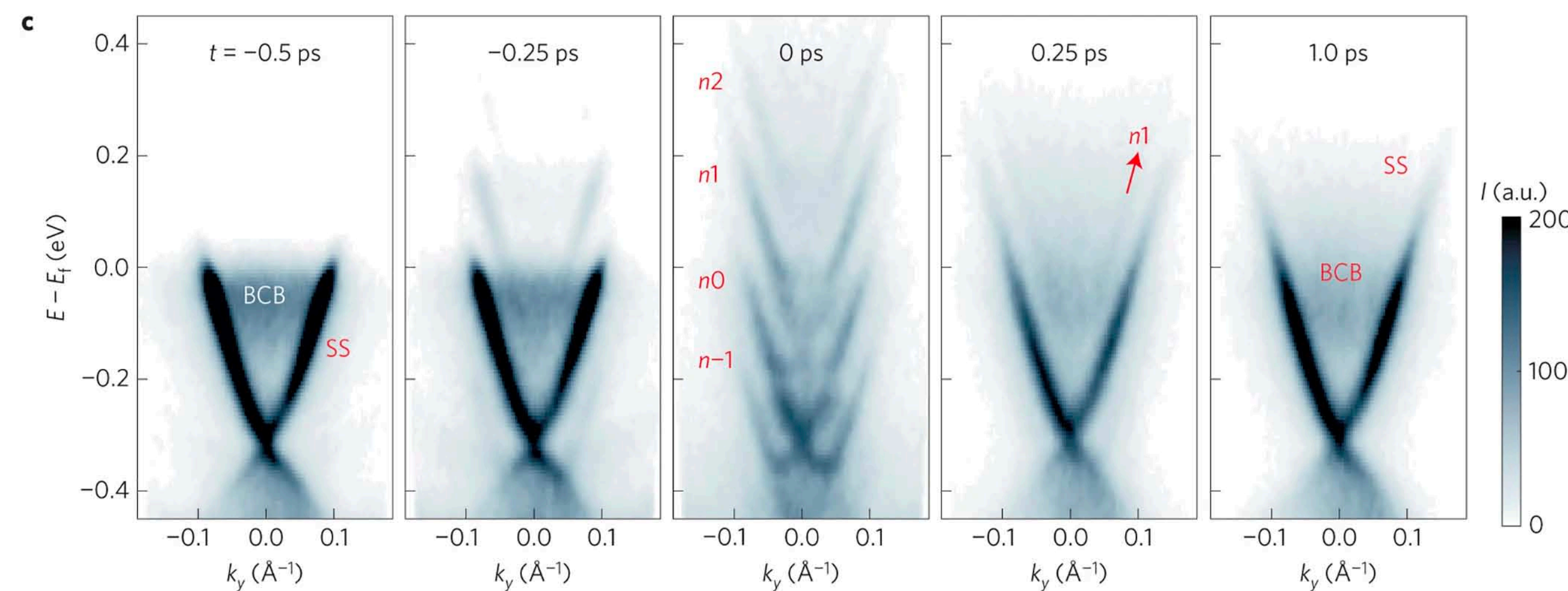


What about observing Floquet states in time-resolved photoemission of graphene?

Ongoing challenge to overcome decoherence and dissipation

e.g., Aeschlimann et al., Nano Lett. 21, 5028 (2021)

... but stay tuned!



Ideal world



Real world
(solids)

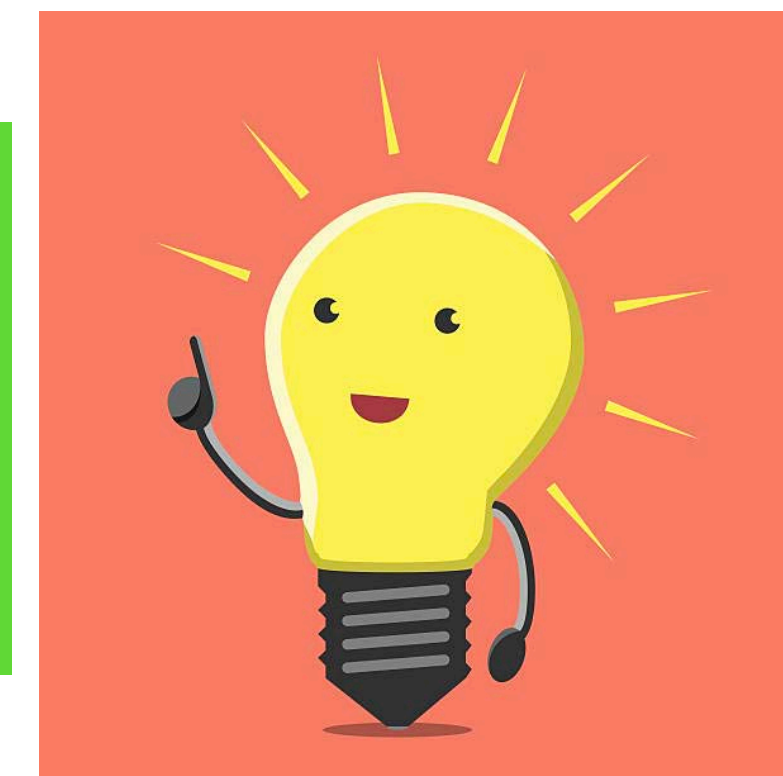


Floquet engineering as flexible scheme to dynamically create „new quantum materials“

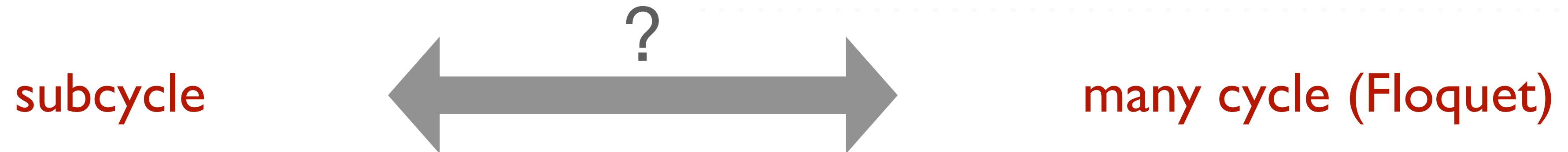
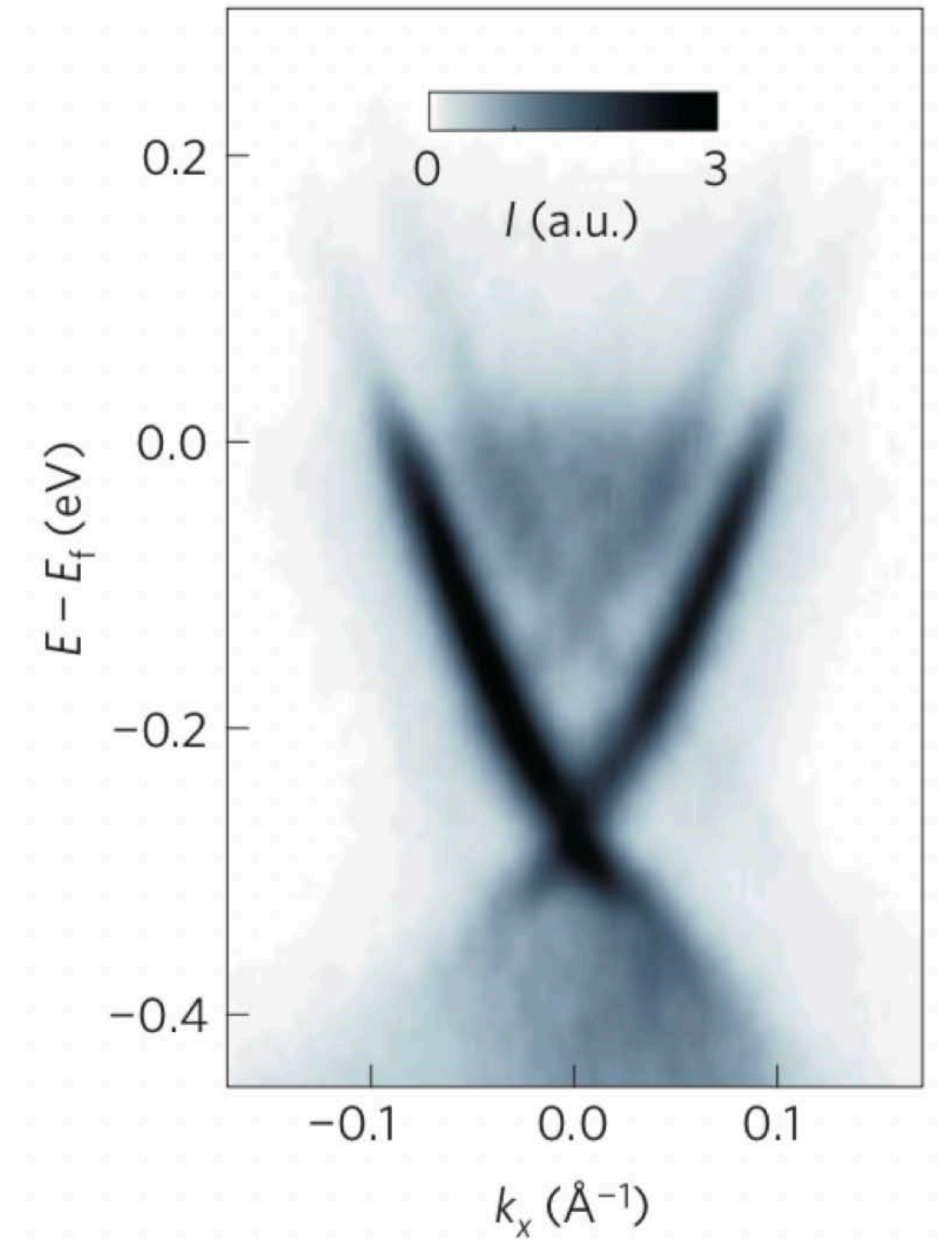
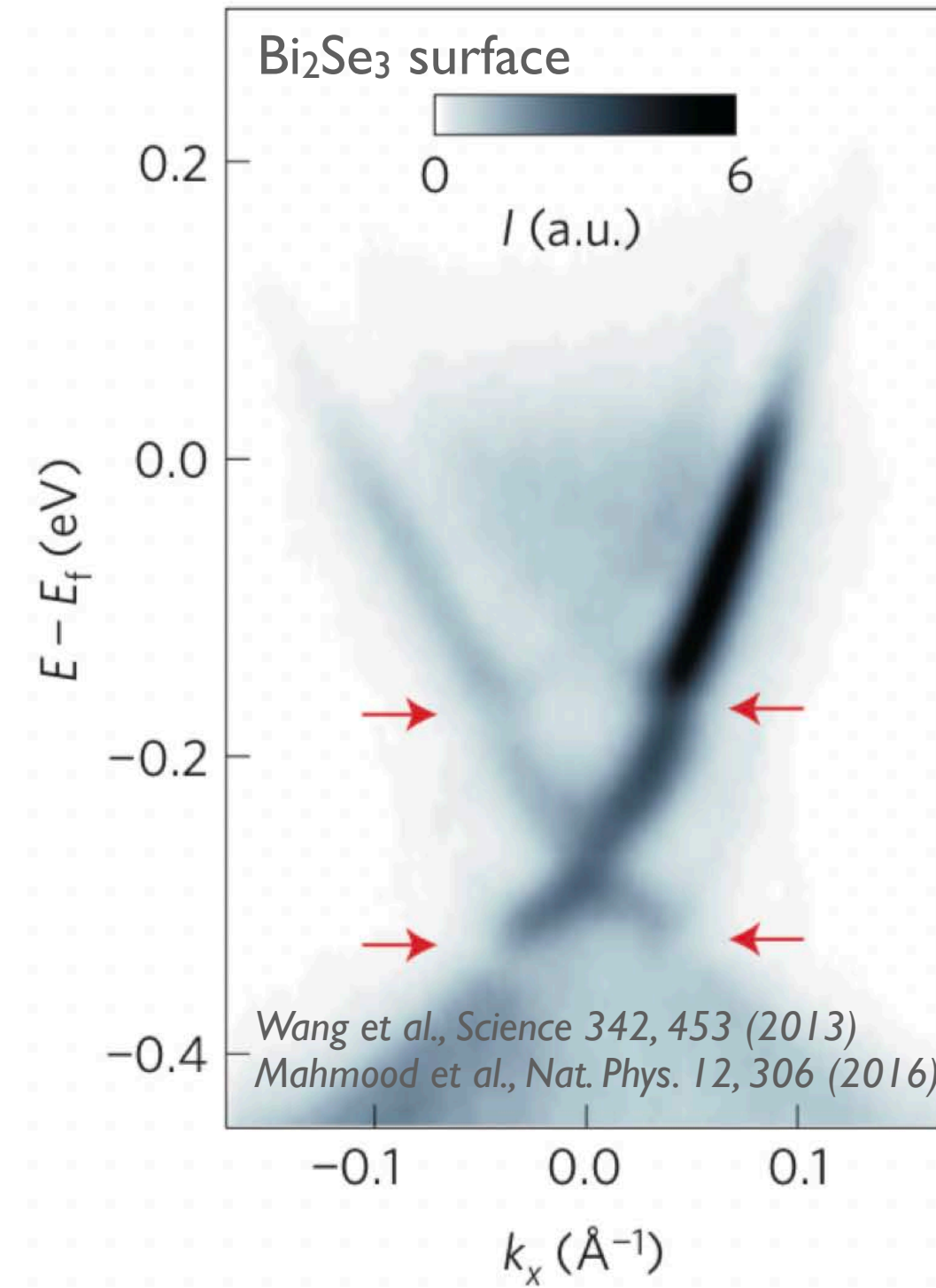
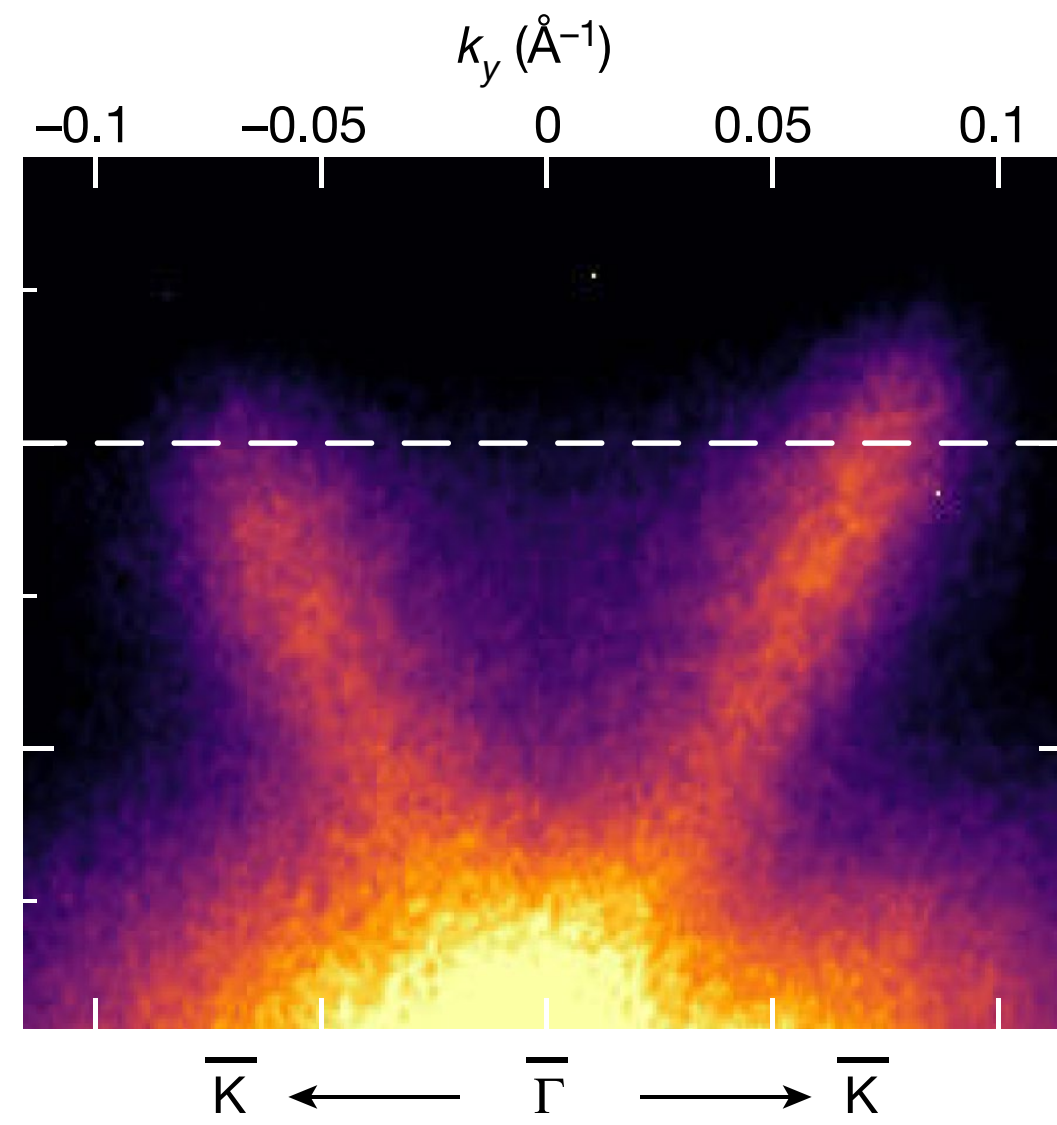
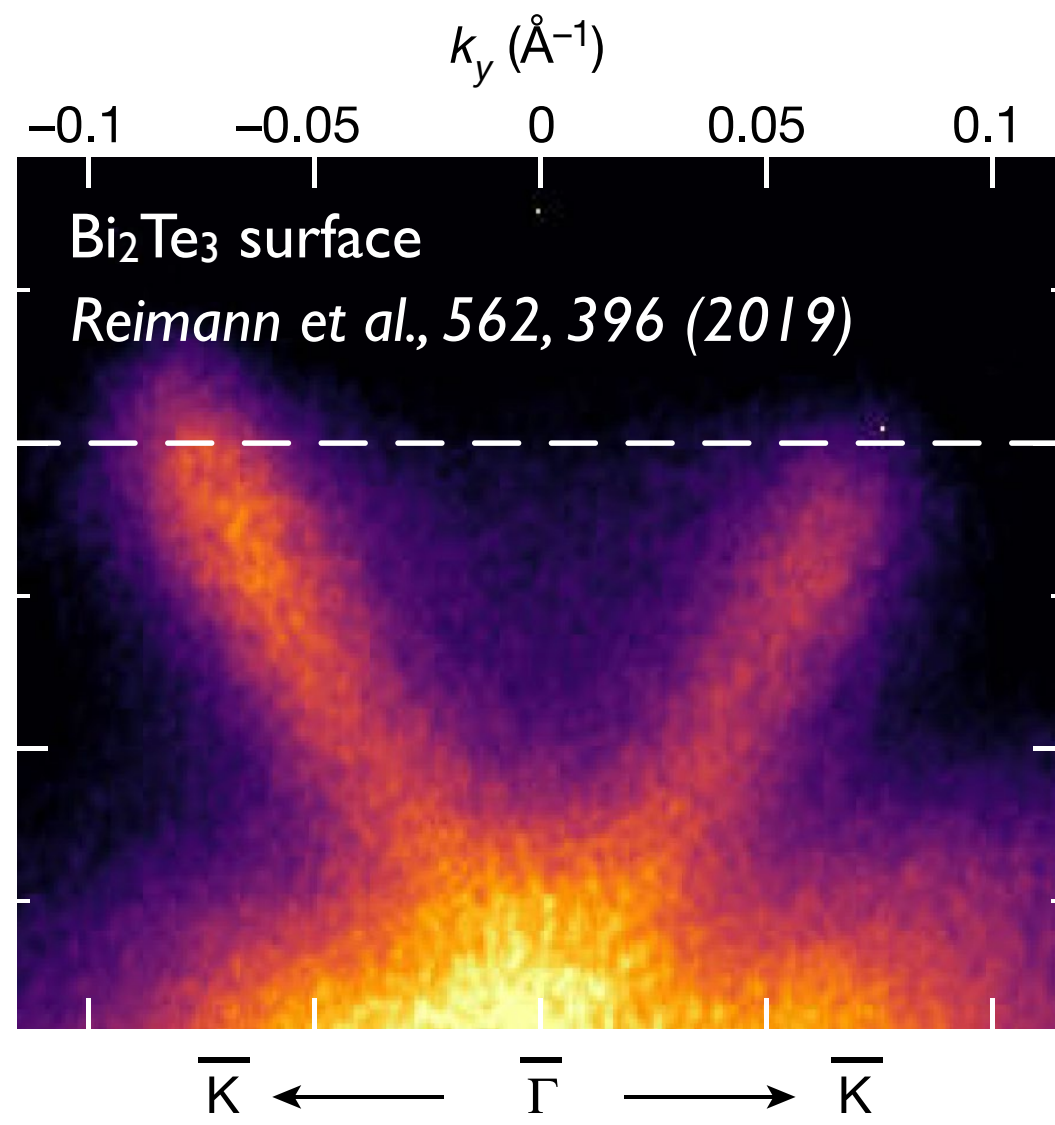
Floquet effects very hard to observe

heating, decoherence, ...

- (A) use strong fields but probe faster: subcycle
- (B) use strong coupling instead of strong fields (hence, cavities!)



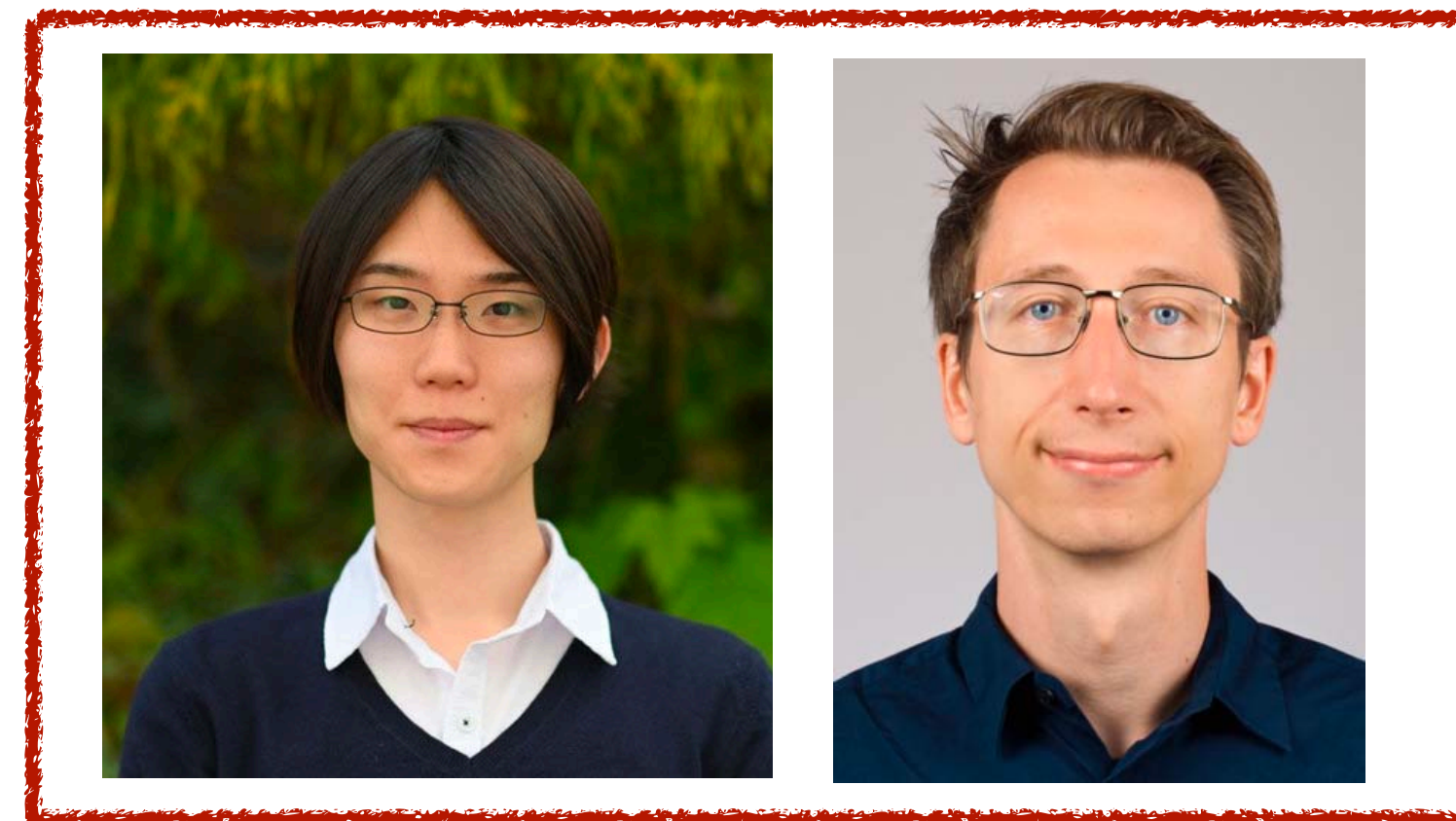
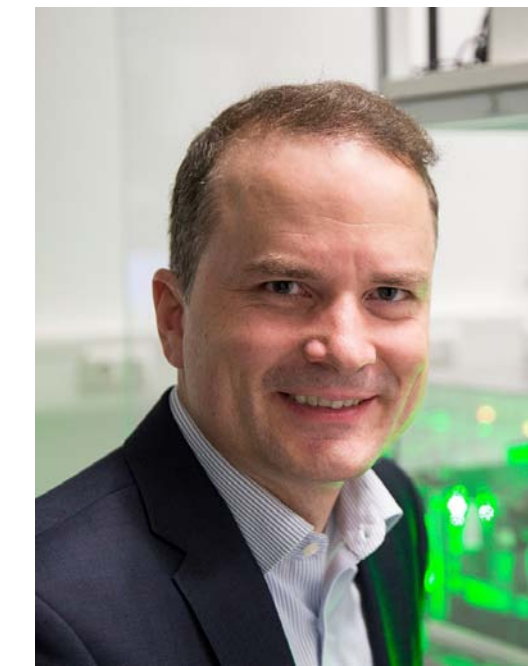
A fundamental question in strong fields



Buildup and dephasing of Floquet-Bloch bands on subcycle time scales

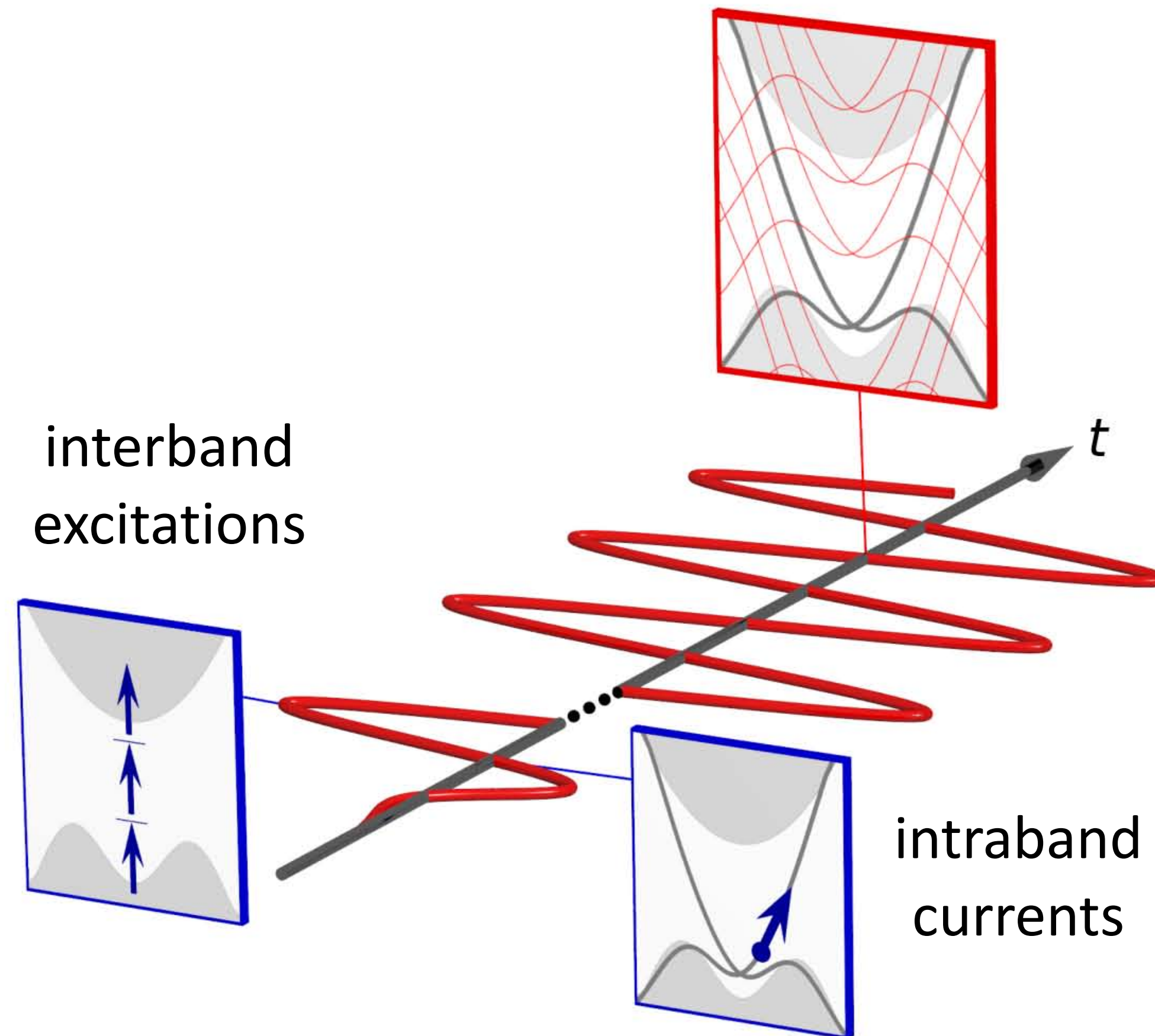
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Strong-field phenomena in a unified picture

Floquet-Bloch states

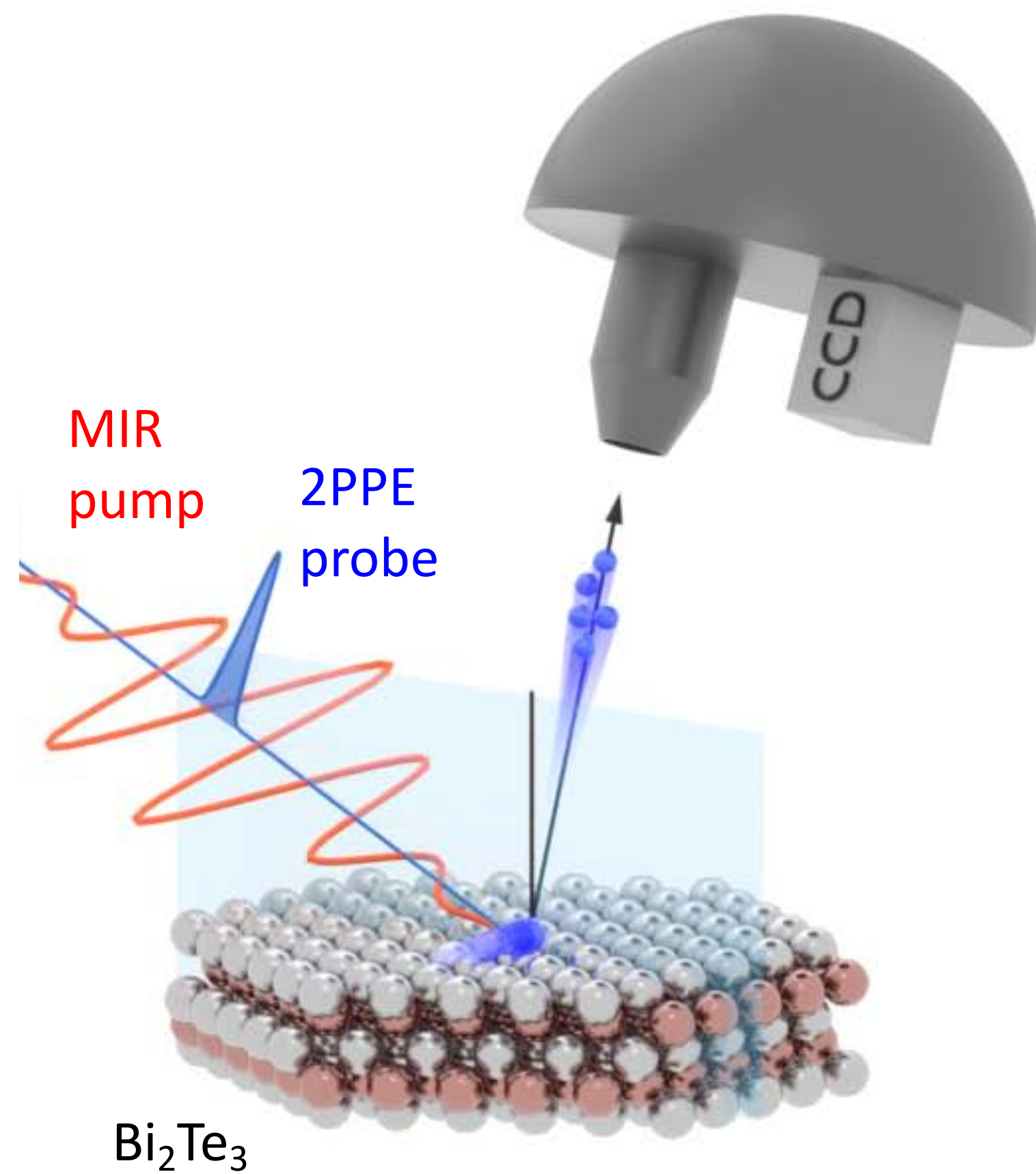


Questions

- how are these notions connected?
- how and when do Floquet states emerge?

Toward the strong-field regime

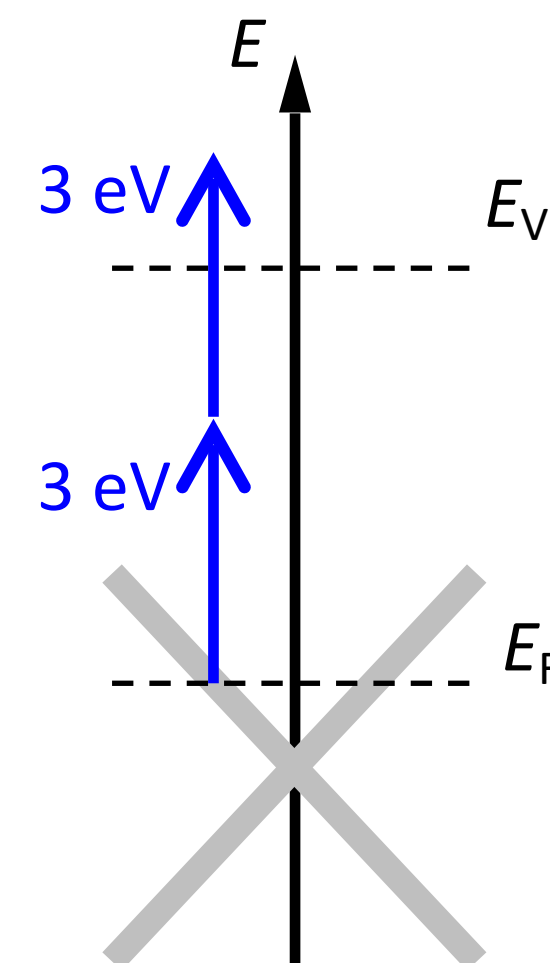
Extending subcycle ARPES to the MV/cm range



Use of mid-infrared (MIR) pump: 20-40 THz

- can reach MV/cm field strength
[Sell, Leitenstorfer, Huber, Opt. Lett. **33**, 2767 (2008)]
- 1 optical cycle: 25-40 fs

Use of two-photon photoemission (2PPE) probe



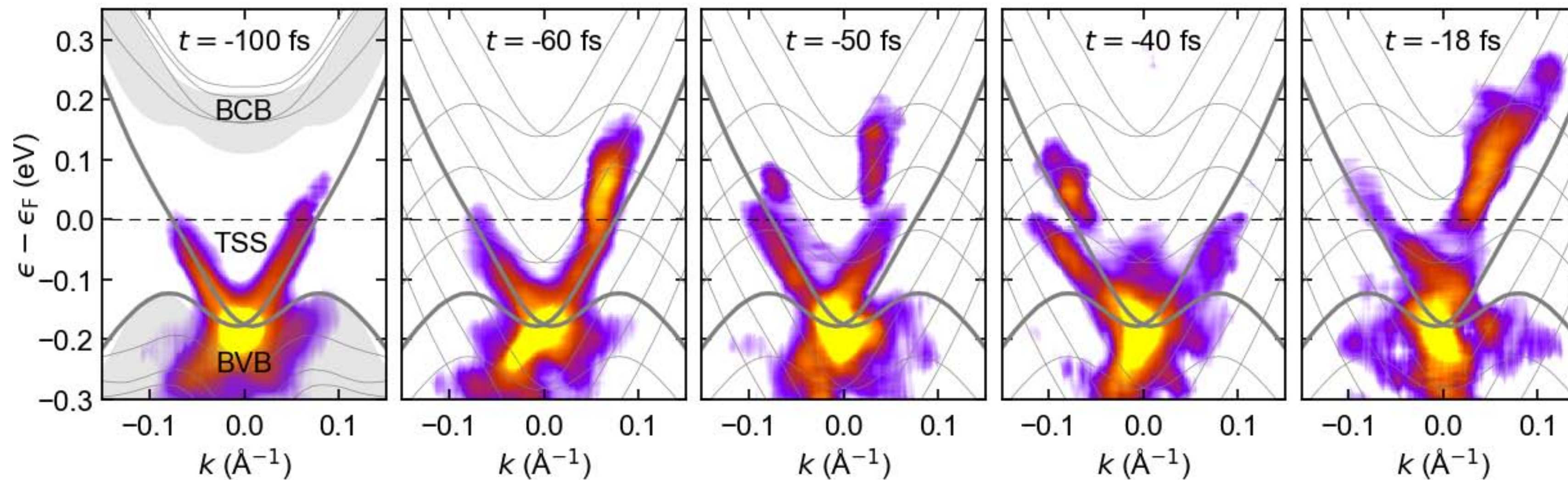
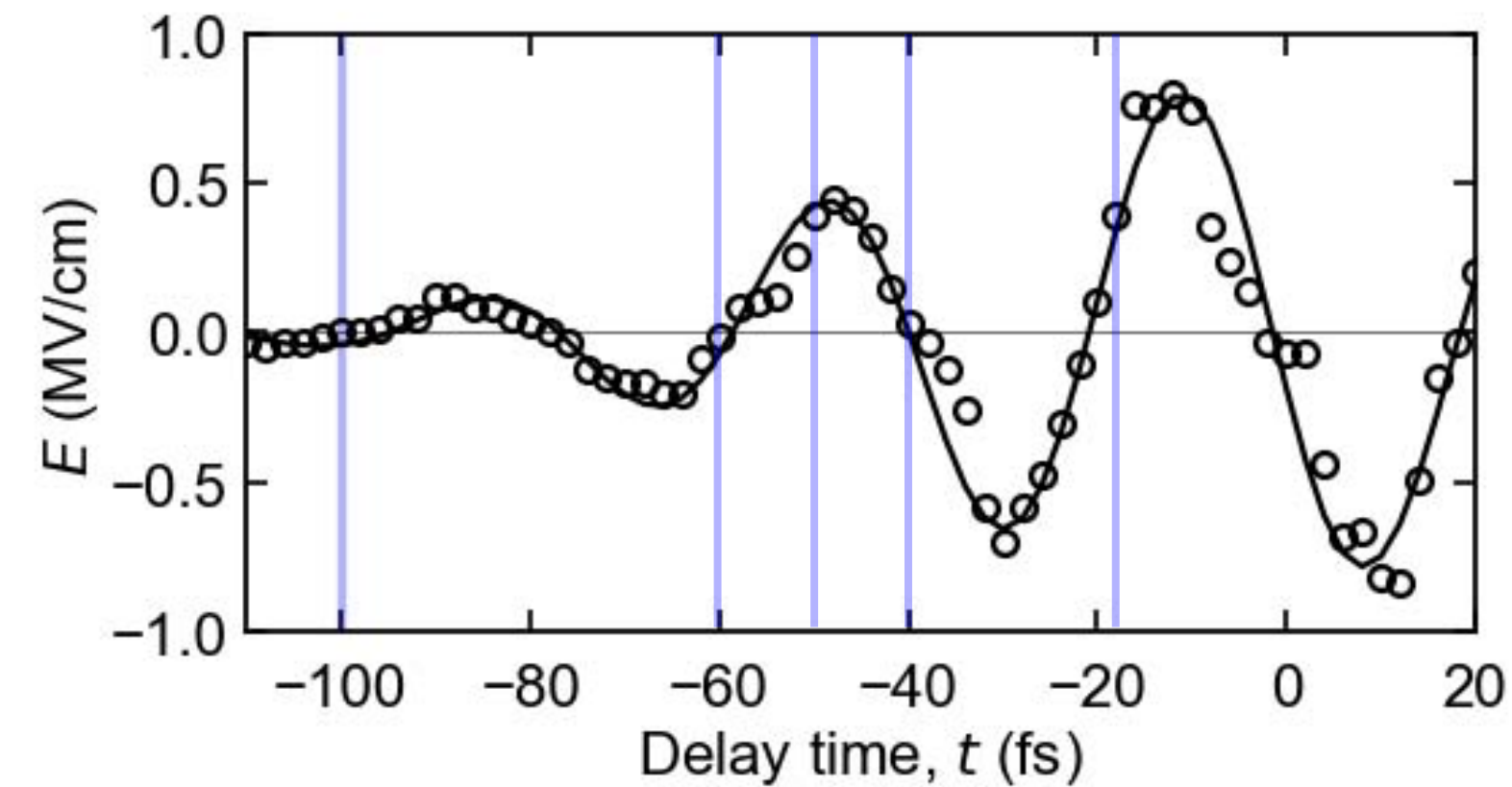
10-20 fs, 3 eV pulse is feasible

Subcycle ARPES in the strong-field regime

Lightwave-driven dynamics in momentum space

Streaking-compensated ARPES images

→ show intrinsic dynamics in matter



lightwave-driven currents + subcycle band engineering!

“Birth” of Floquet-Bloch states - Theory

Fully quantum Tr-ARPES calculations

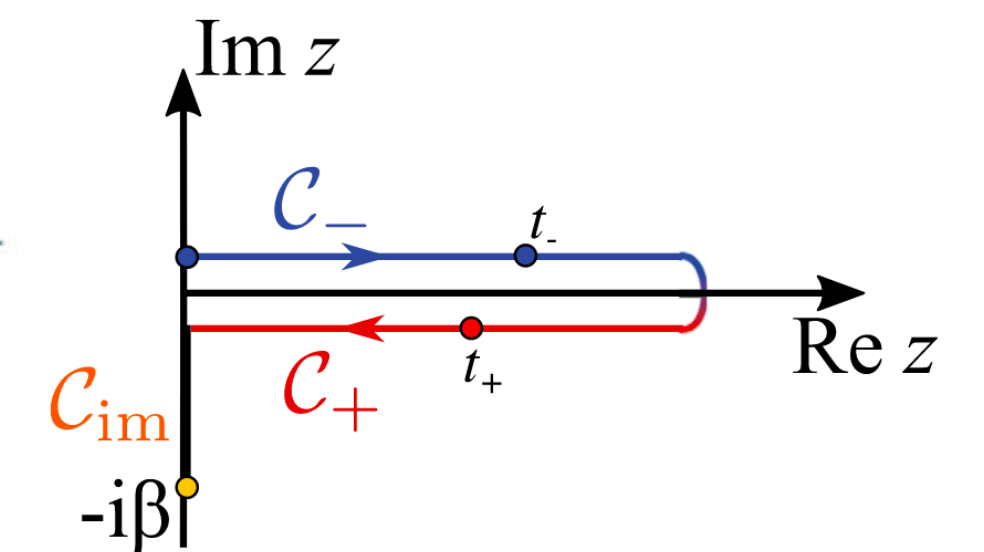
- non-equilibrium Green-function formalism
- use the experimental pump waveform
- include ARPES matrix elements
- phenomenologically consider the 2PPE probe

For formalism see

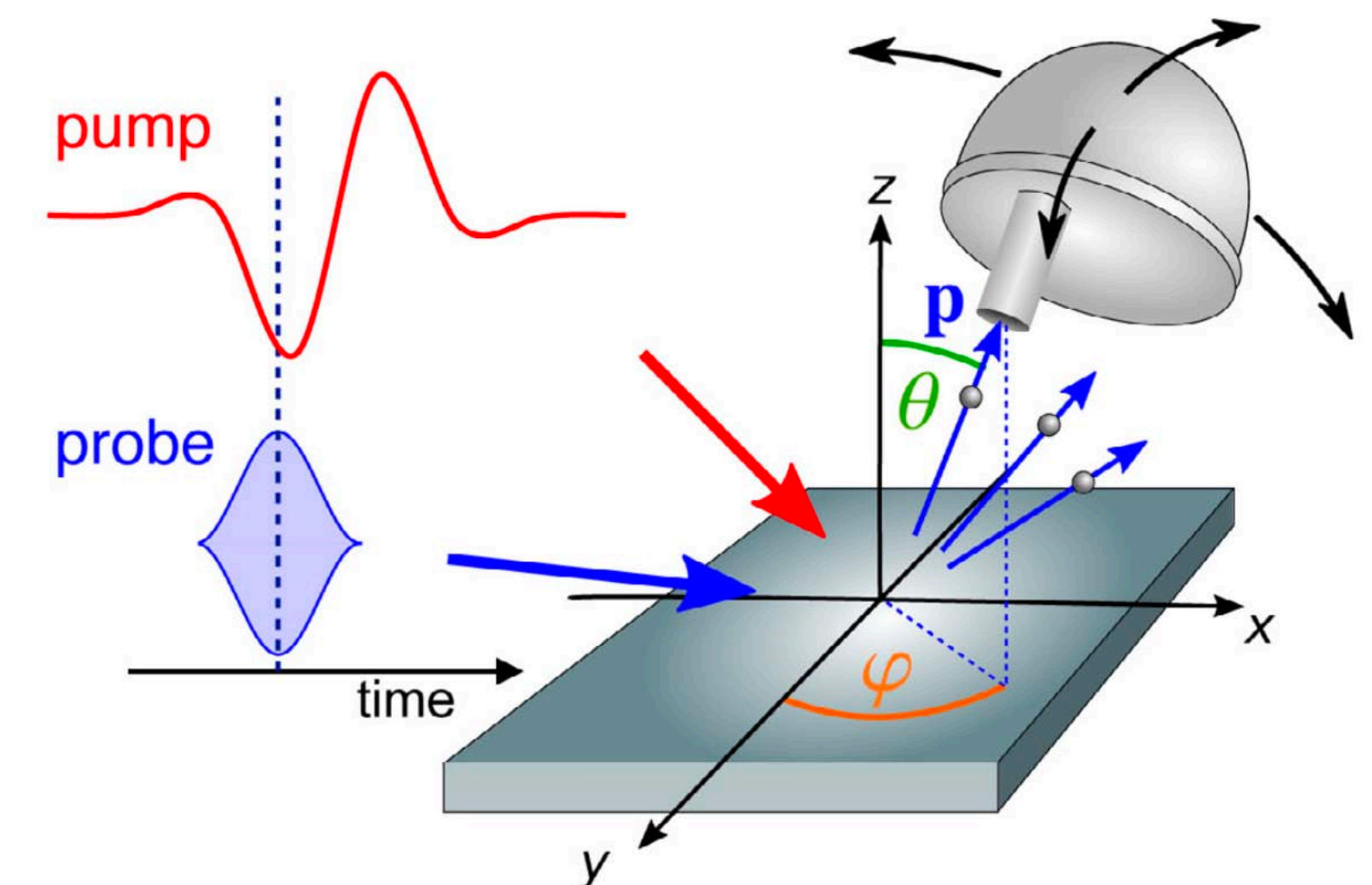
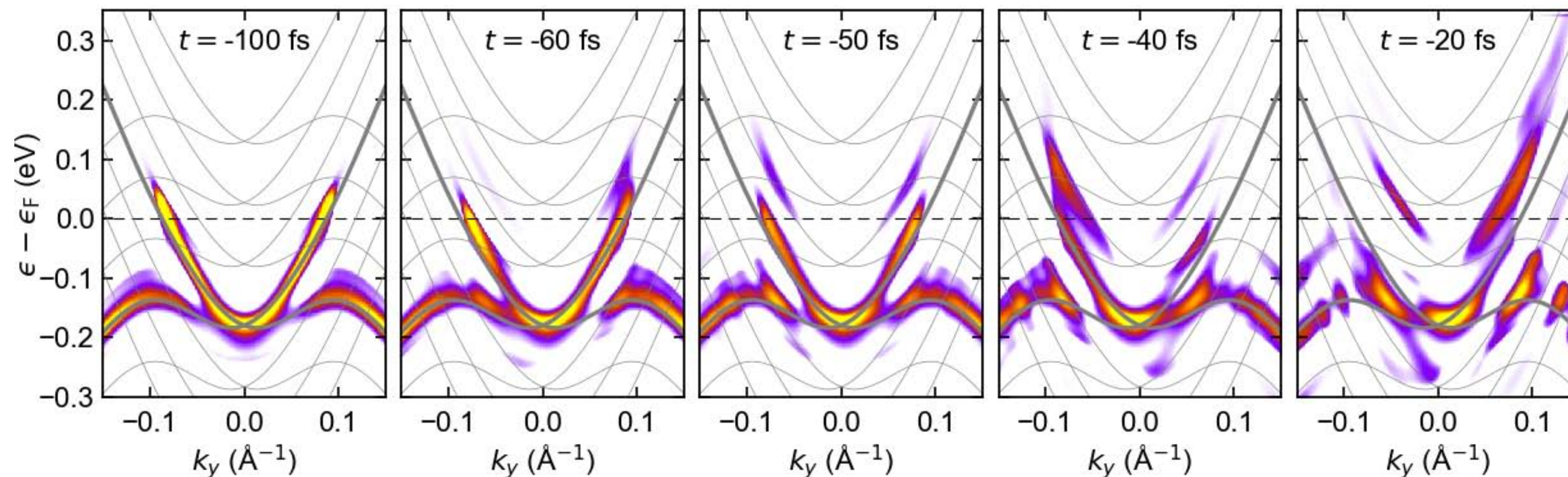
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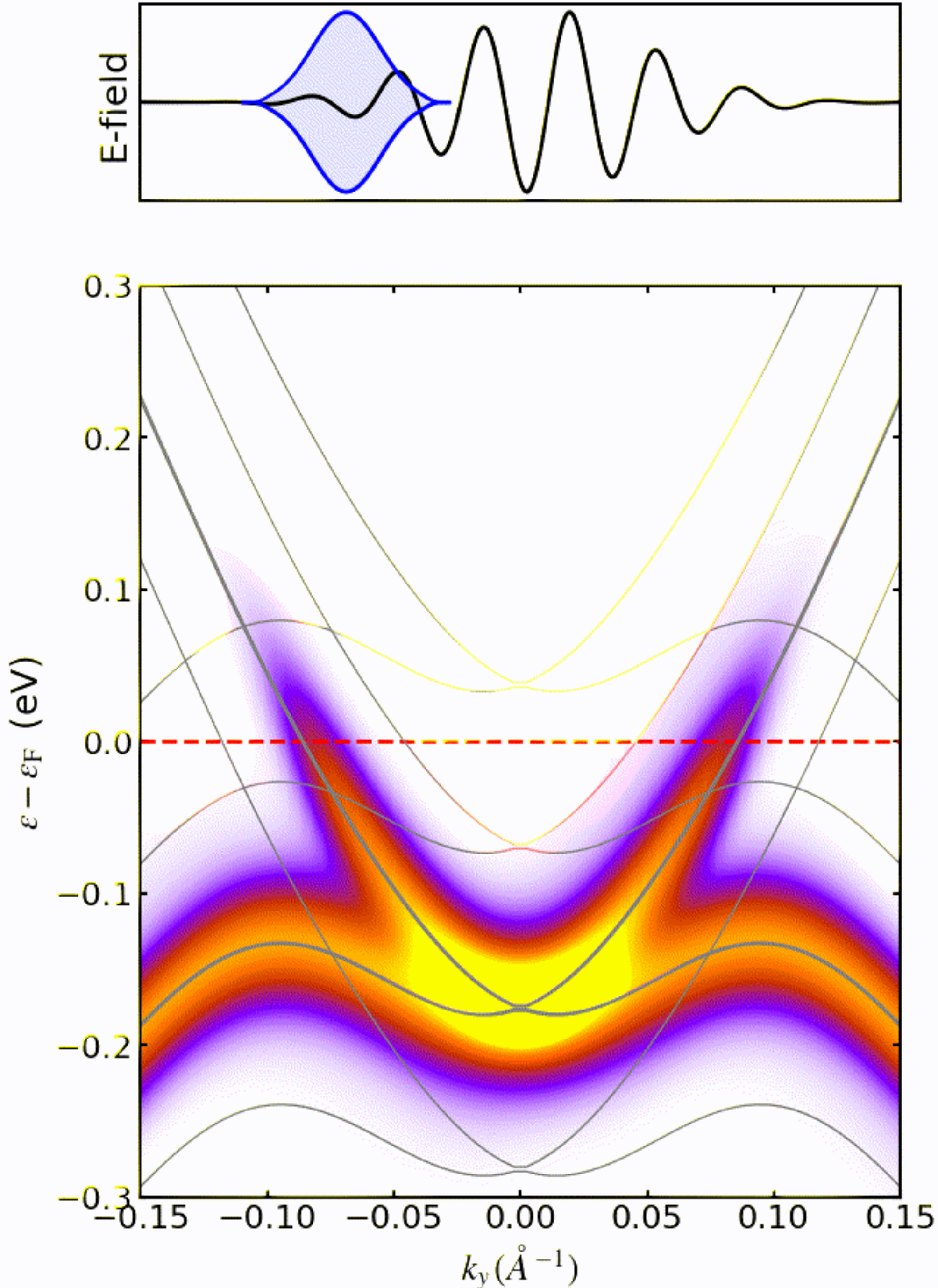
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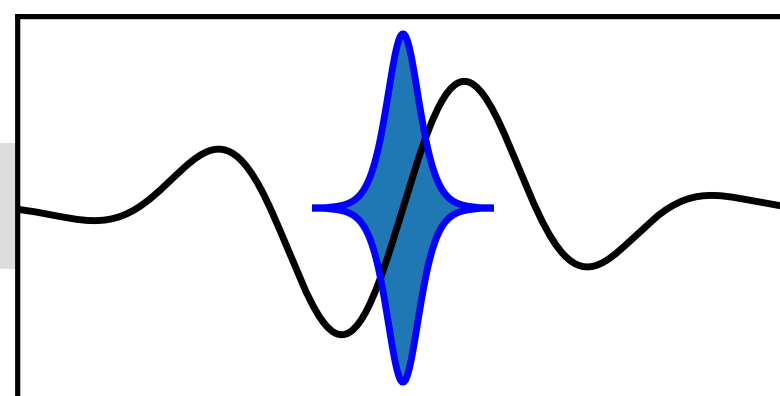
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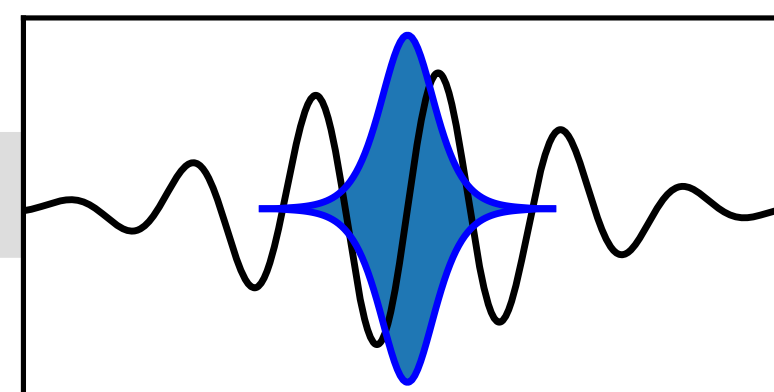
Subcycle evolution of Floquet-Bloch states is explained by theory!



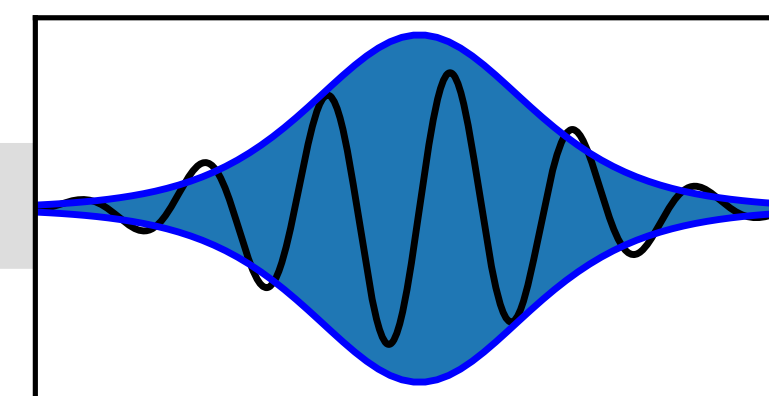
Quasiadiabatic regime



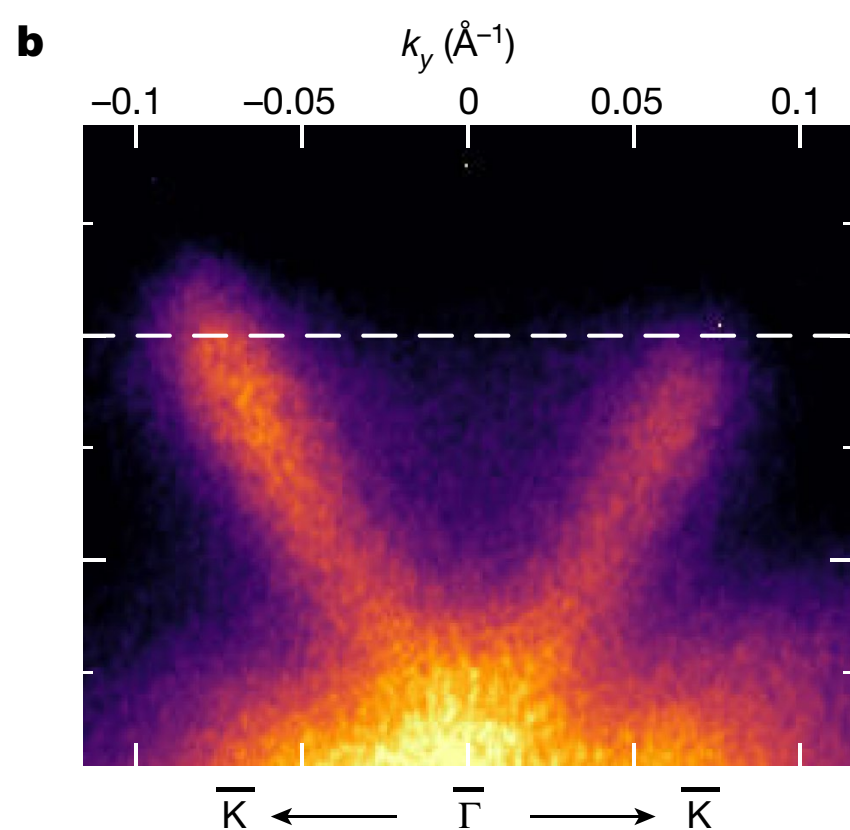
Subcycle regime



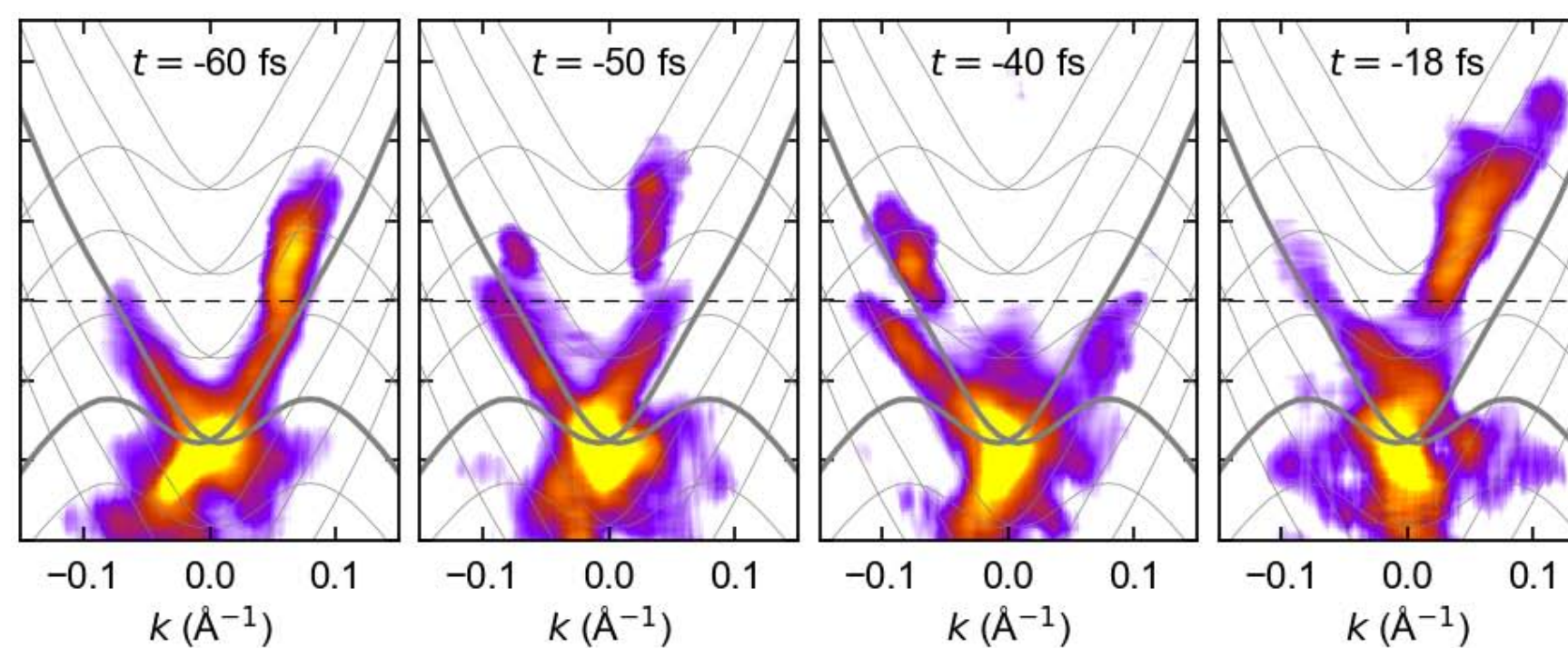
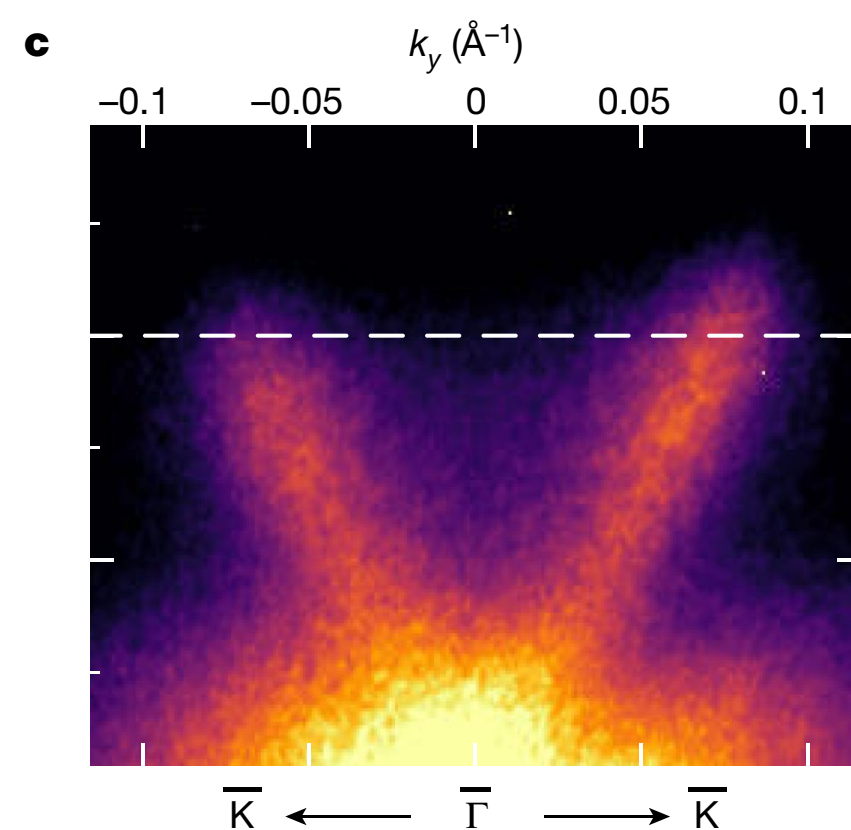
Floquet regime



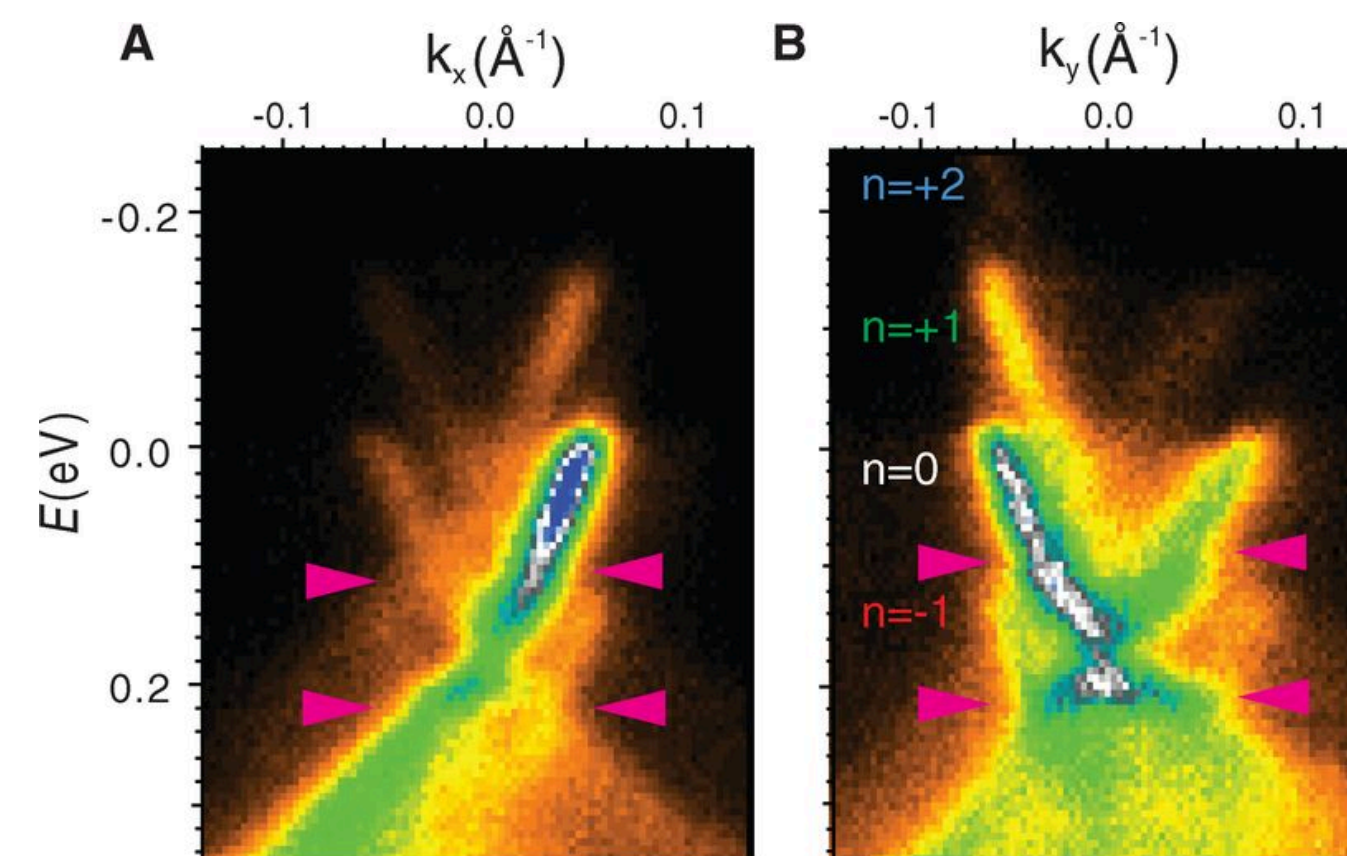
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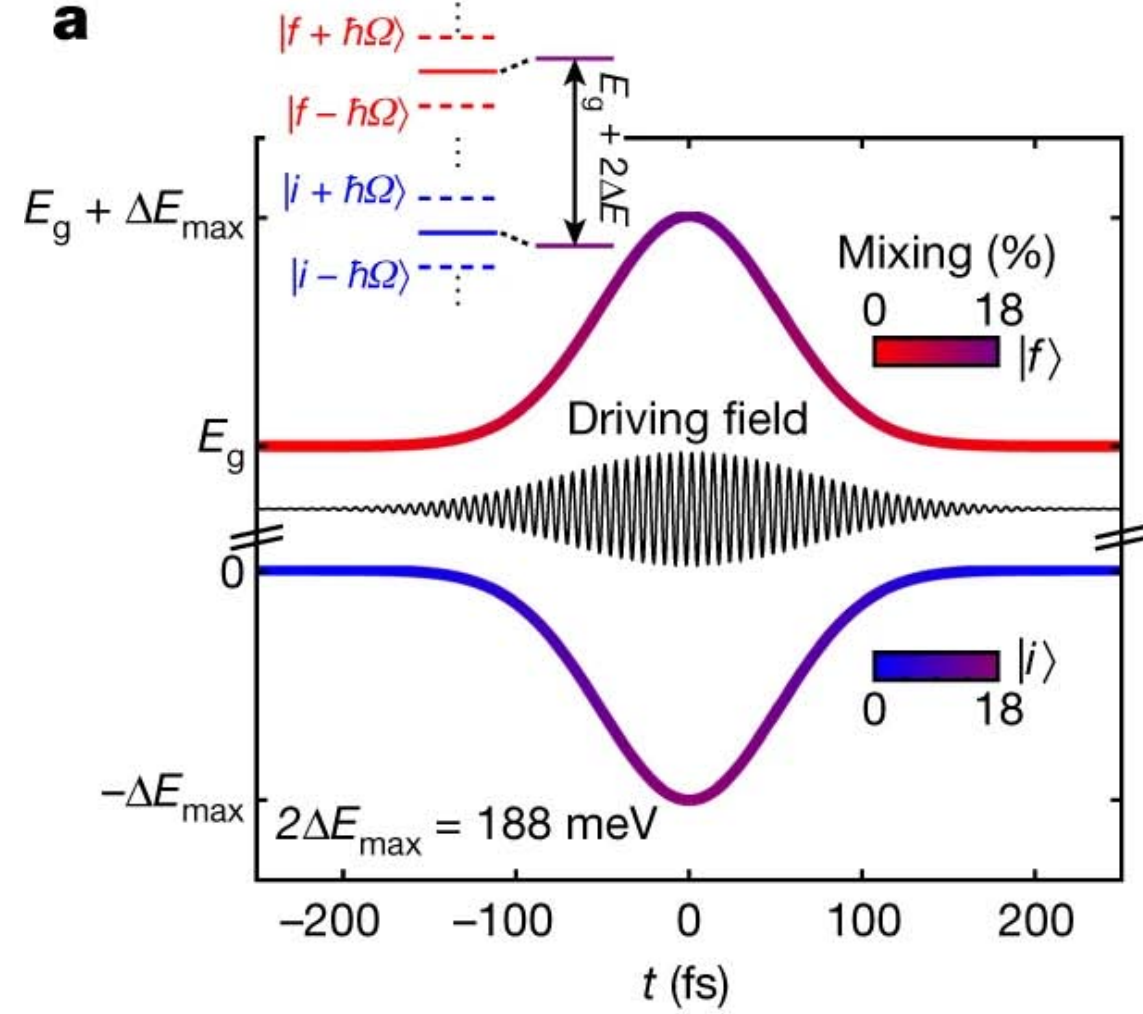


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Opens new opportunities to dynamically control emergent properties and functionality on subcycle time scales

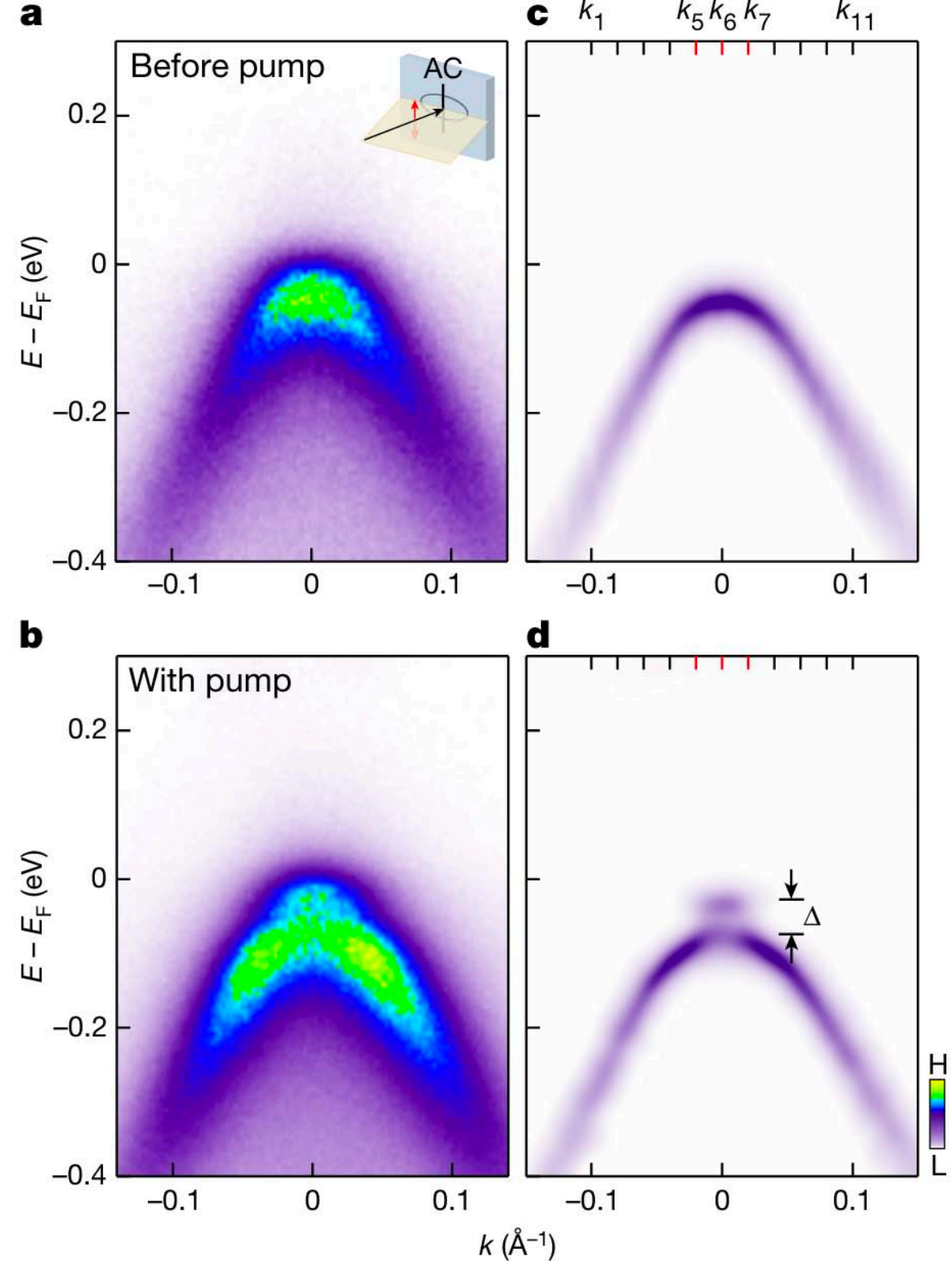
Floquet materials science

MnPS3
Giant modulation of optical nonlinearity by Floquet engineering



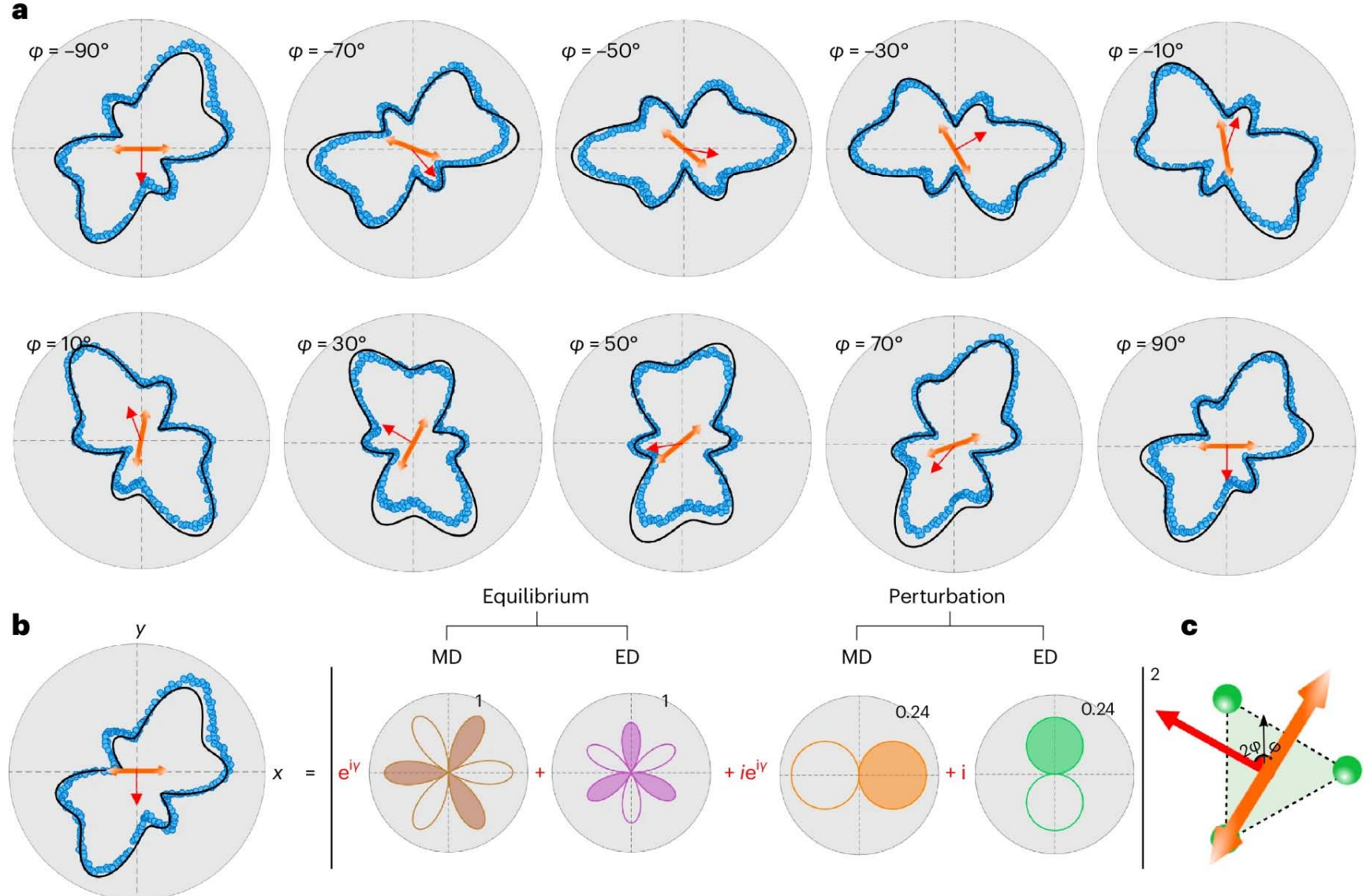
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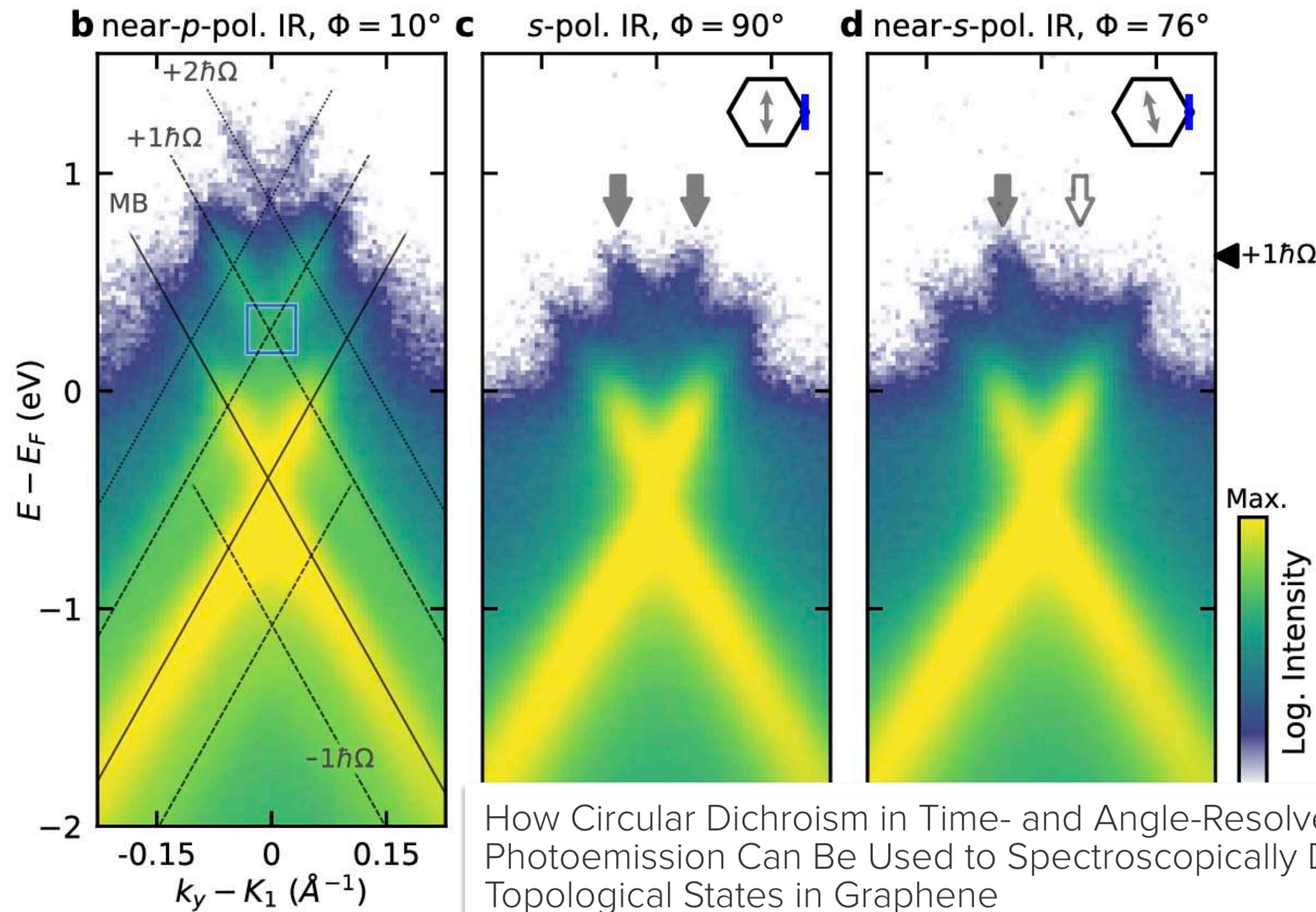
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... and what about graphene?

Observation of Floquet states in graphene

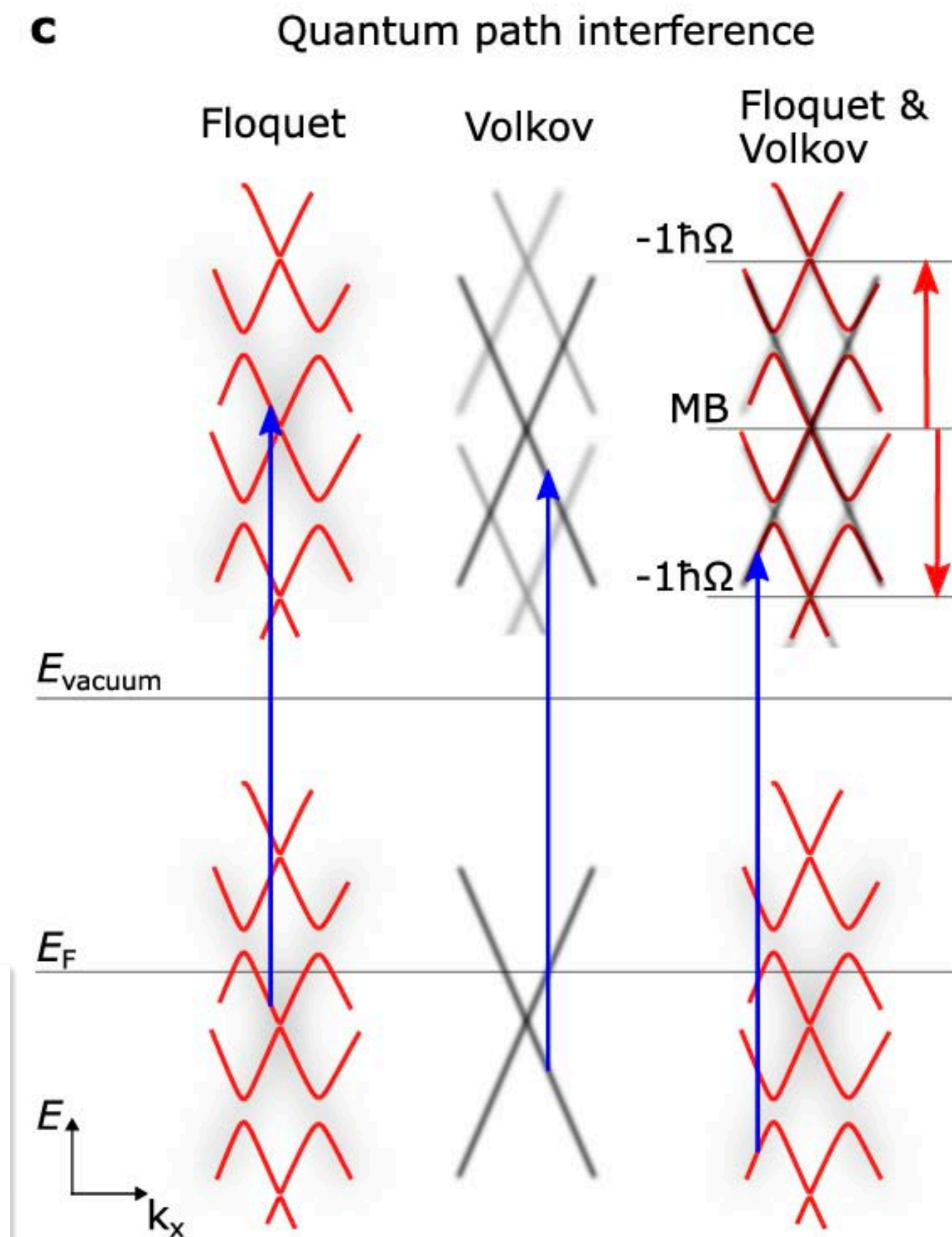
Floquet states in graphene interfere with Volkov states

Marco Merboldt^{§,1} Michael Schüler^{§,2,3} David Schmitt,¹ Jan Philipp Bange,¹ Wiebke Bennecke,¹ Karun Gadge,⁴ Klaus Pierz,⁵ Hans Werner Schumacher,⁵ Davood Momeni,⁵ Daniel Steil,¹ Salvatore R. Manmana,⁴ Michael A. Sentef,^{6,7,*} Marcel Reutzler,^{1,†} and Stefan Mathias^{1,8,‡}



How Circular Dichroism in Time- and Angle-Resolved Photoemission Can Be Used to Spectroscopically Detect Transient Topological States in Graphene

Michael Schüler, Umberto De Giovannini, Hannes Hübener, Angel Rubio, Michael A. Sentef, Thomas P. Devereaux, and Philipp Werner
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also see Choi, et int., Gedik, arXiv:2404.14392

outstanding
Floquet topology under circularly polarized light

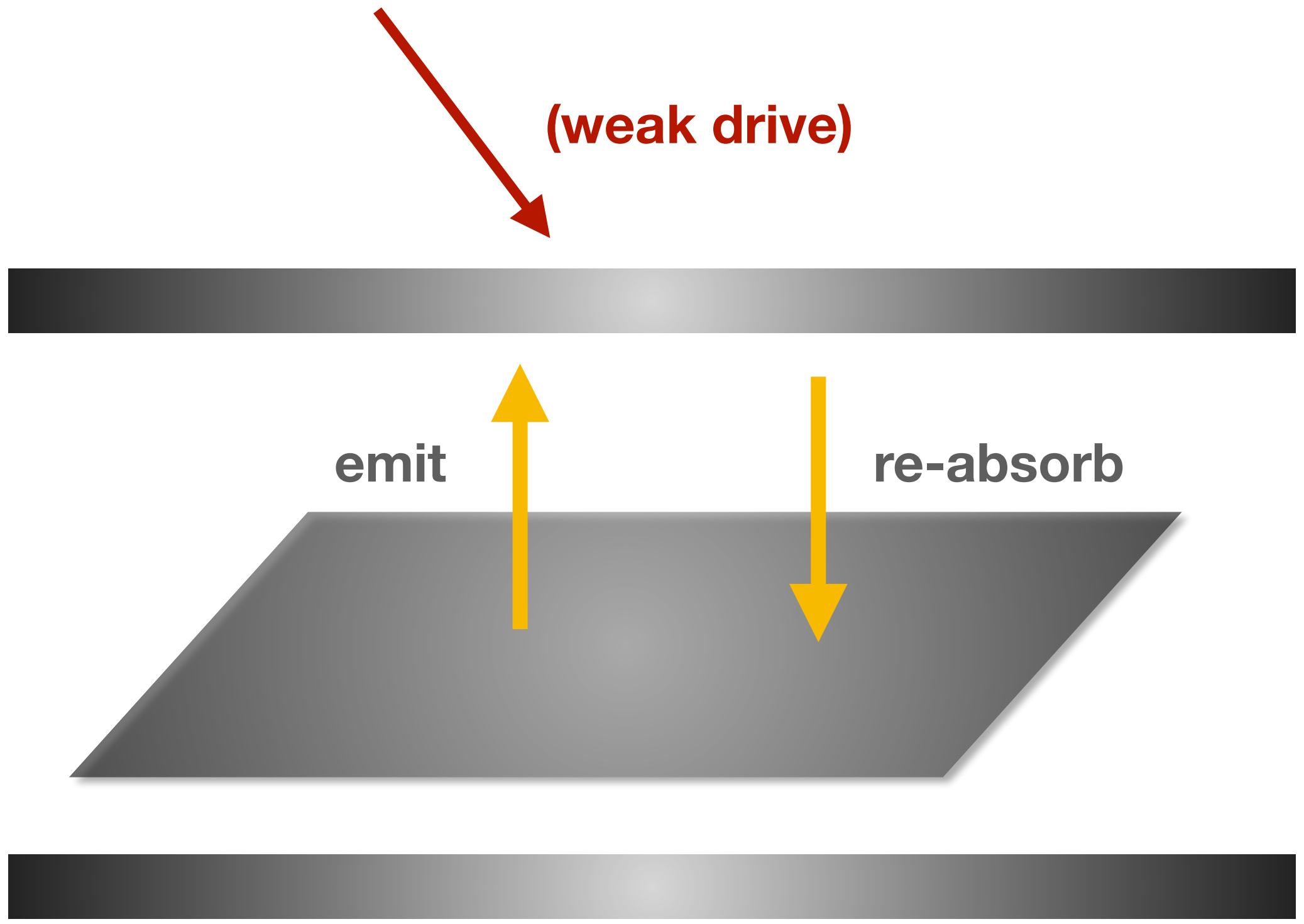
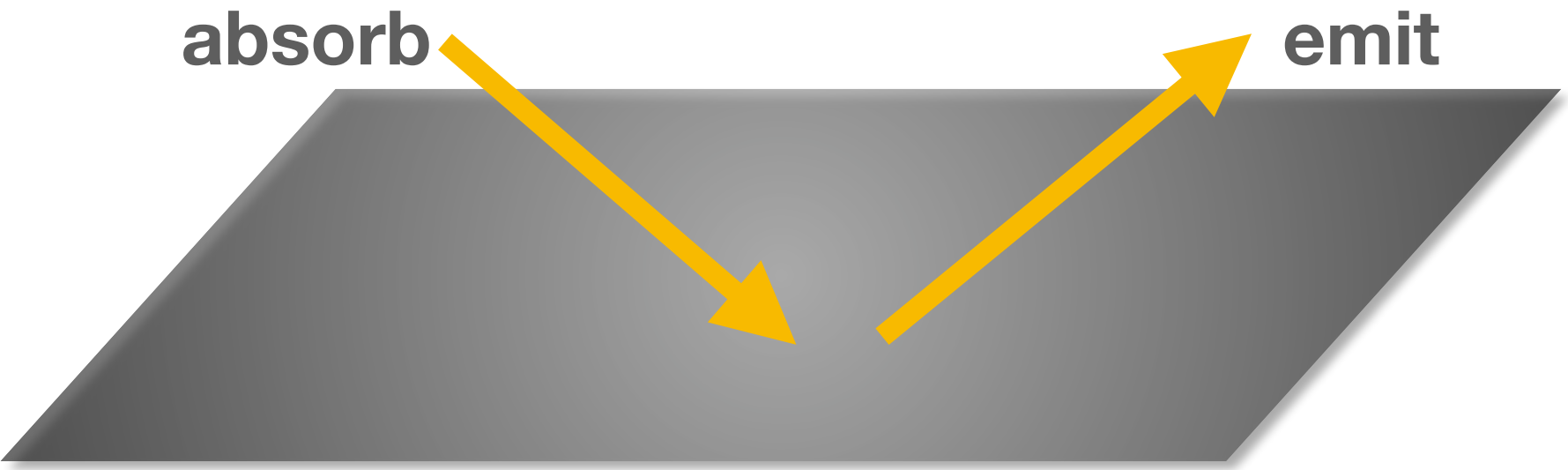


Outline

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Floquet in solids
→ Floquet to cavity

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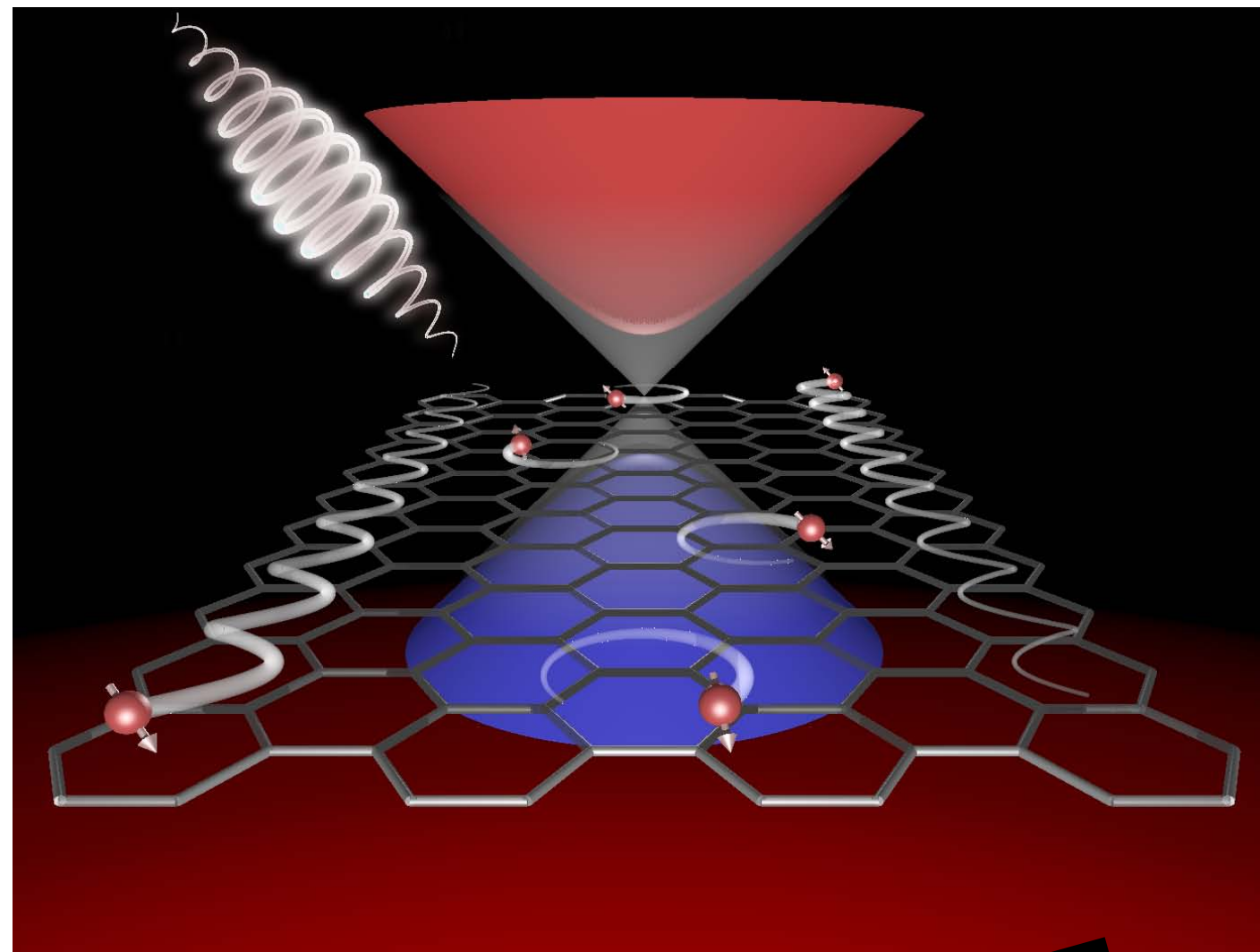


best of both worlds: flexibility of driven systems + efficiency of cavities

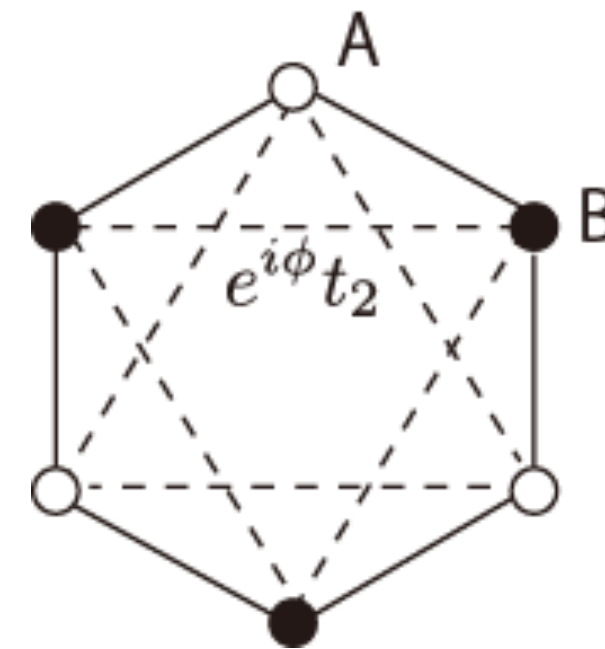
Back to Haldane: Floquet engineering without (real) photons

Quantum Hall effect without a magnetic field

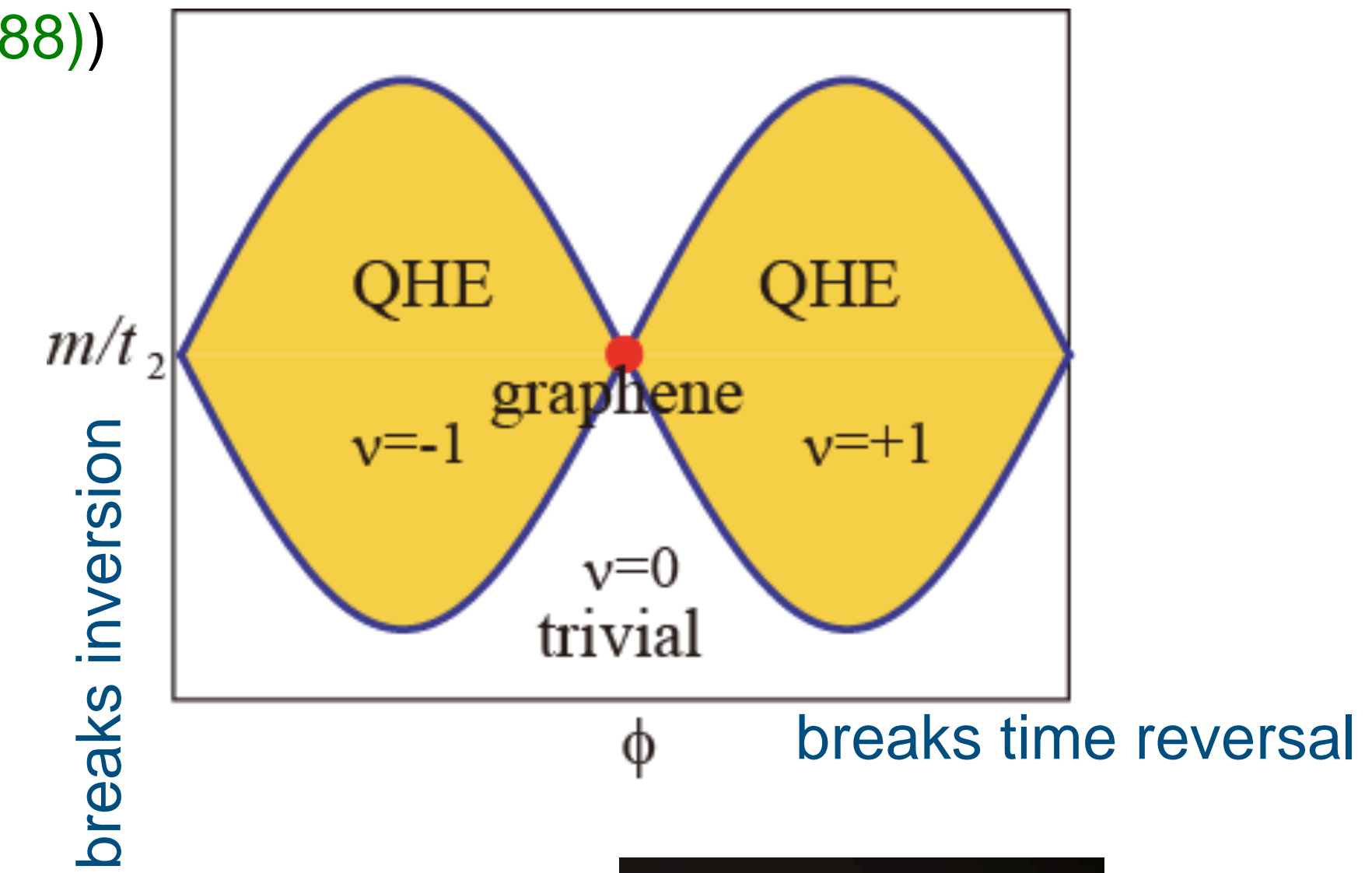
Graphene + circularly polarized light
(breaks time reversal)



Haldane model (PRL 61, 2015 (1988))

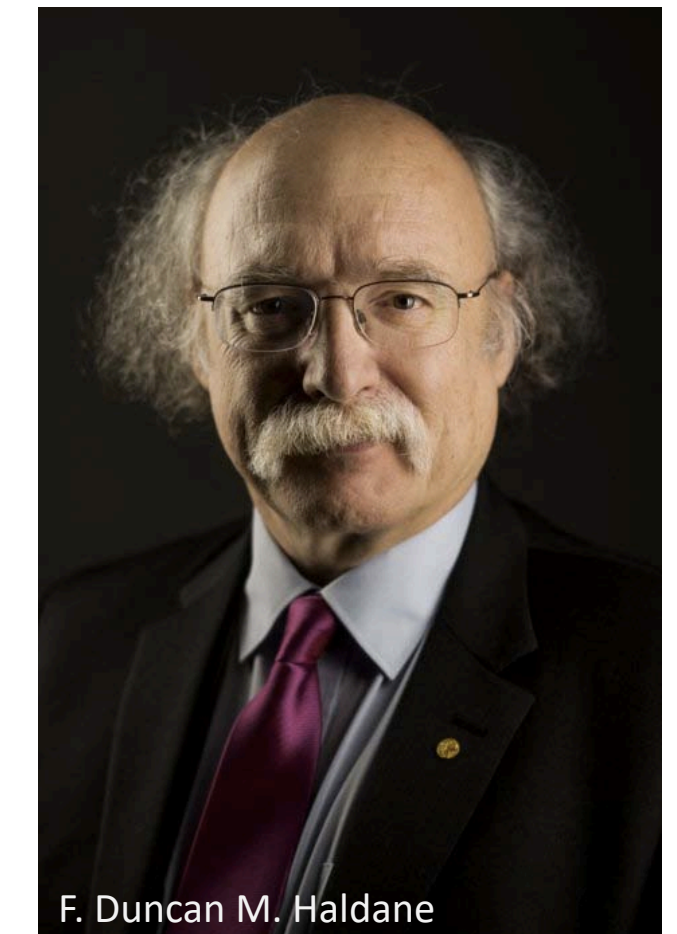


Local flux ϕ
Staggered field $m = E_A - E_B$
Fictitious fields!



Need concept of Floquet engineering

Need concept of cavity engineering

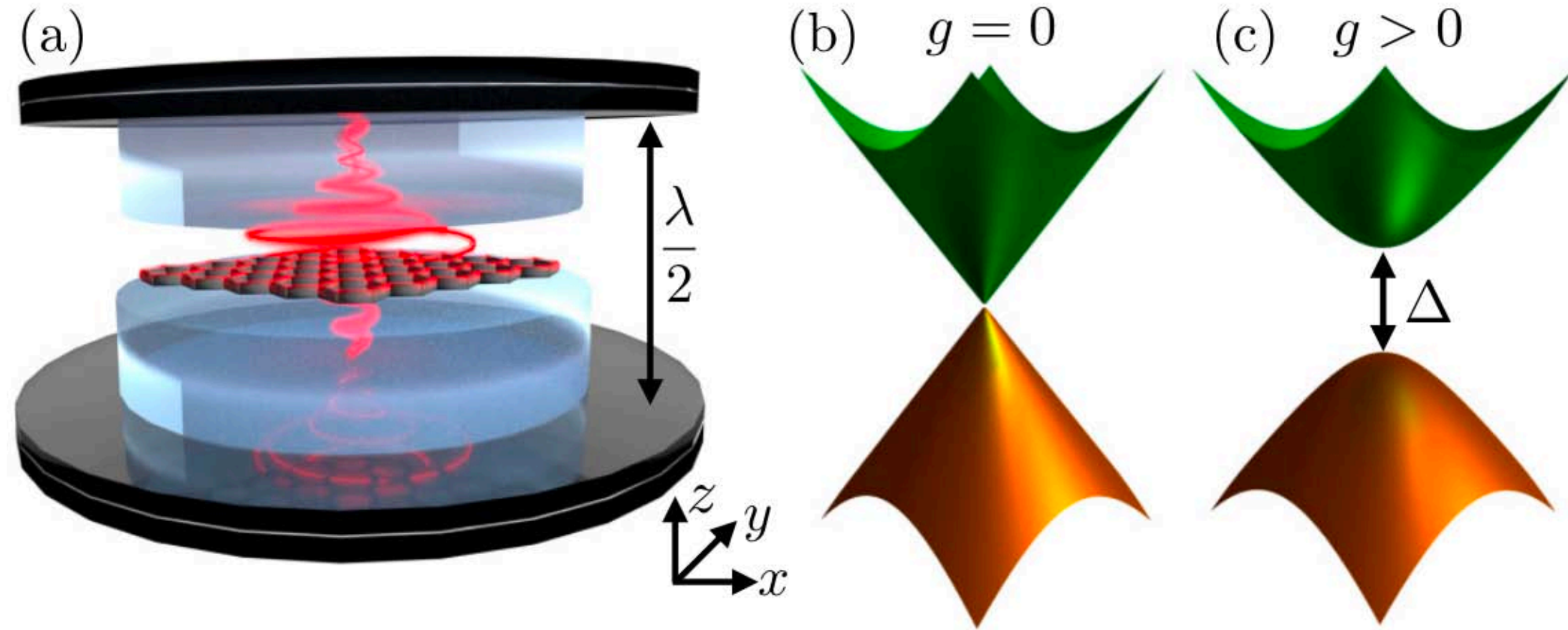


F. Duncan M. Haldane

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Cavity Chern insulator

Goal: induce Haldane mass term by coupling to cavity with circularly polarized photon mode



$$H = \sum_{\vec{k}} \begin{pmatrix} c_{A,\vec{k}}^\dagger \\ c_{B,\vec{k}}^\dagger \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \gamma(\vec{k} - \hat{A}) \\ \gamma(\vec{k} - \hat{A})^\dagger & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{A,\vec{k}} \\ c_{B,\vec{k}} \end{pmatrix} + \sum_{\lambda} \omega_{\lambda} a_{\lambda}^\dagger a_{\lambda},$$

$$\hat{A} = A_0 \sum_{\lambda} (\vec{e}_{\lambda} a_{\lambda} + \vec{e}_{\lambda}^* a_{\lambda}^\dagger)$$

$$A_0 = \sqrt{\hbar/(\epsilon\epsilon_0 V \omega)}$$

$$\gamma(\vec{k}) = \hbar v_F (k_x + ik_y)$$

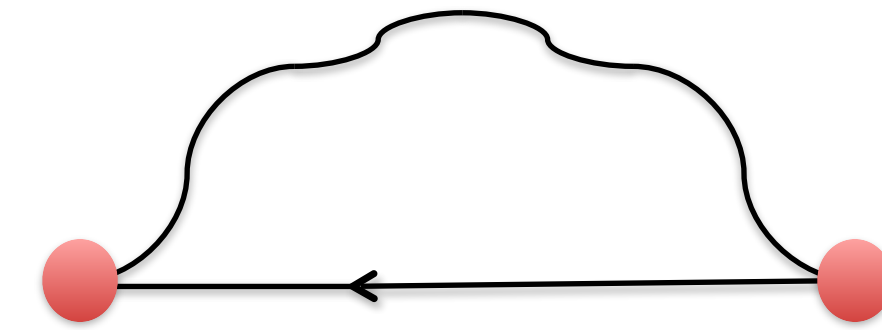
Using a right-handed circularly polarized cavity reduces the photon field to a single branch with $\vec{e}_{\lambda} \equiv \vec{e}$, operators $a_{\lambda}^\dagger \equiv a^\dagger$, and frequency $\omega_{\lambda} \equiv \omega$, with unit polarization vector $\vec{e} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1, i)$. In this case, $\gamma(\vec{k} - \hat{A}) \rightarrow \hbar v_F (k_x + ik_y - \sqrt{2}A_0 a^\dagger)$

Cavity quantum electrodynamical Chern insulator: Towards light-induced quantized anomalous Hall effect in graphene

Xiao Wang,¹ Enrico Ronca,² and Michael A. Sentef^{2,*}

also cf. Kibis, Kyriienko and Shelykh, PRB 84, 195413 (2011)

effective electron-photon coupling strength $g \equiv v_F A_0 \sqrt{2}$.



compute electronic self-energy (2x2) due to el-photon coupling (lowest order in g):

$$\Sigma_{0,aa}(\vec{k}, ip_n) = -\frac{g^2}{\beta} \sum_m \frac{-1}{i\omega_m + \omega} G_{0,bb}(\vec{k}, ip_n + i\omega_m)$$

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Matsubara summation + analytical continuation:

$$\Sigma_{0,aa}^R(\vec{k}, \epsilon) = -g^2 \frac{(\epsilon + i0^+ - \omega)n_B(-\omega) + \frac{1}{2}[(\epsilon + i0^+ - \omega + v_F k)n_F(v_F k) + (\epsilon + i0^+ - \omega - v_F k)(1 - n_F(v_F k))]}{(\epsilon + i0^+ - \omega)^2 - v_F^2 k^2}$$

$$\Sigma_{0,bb}^R(\vec{k}, \epsilon) = g^2 \frac{(\epsilon + i0^+ + \omega)n_B(\omega) + \frac{1}{2}[(\epsilon + i0^+ + \omega + v_F k)n_F(v_F k) + (\epsilon + i0^+ + \omega - v_F k)(1 - n_F(v_F k))]}{(\epsilon + i0^+ + \omega)^2 - v_F^2 k^2}$$

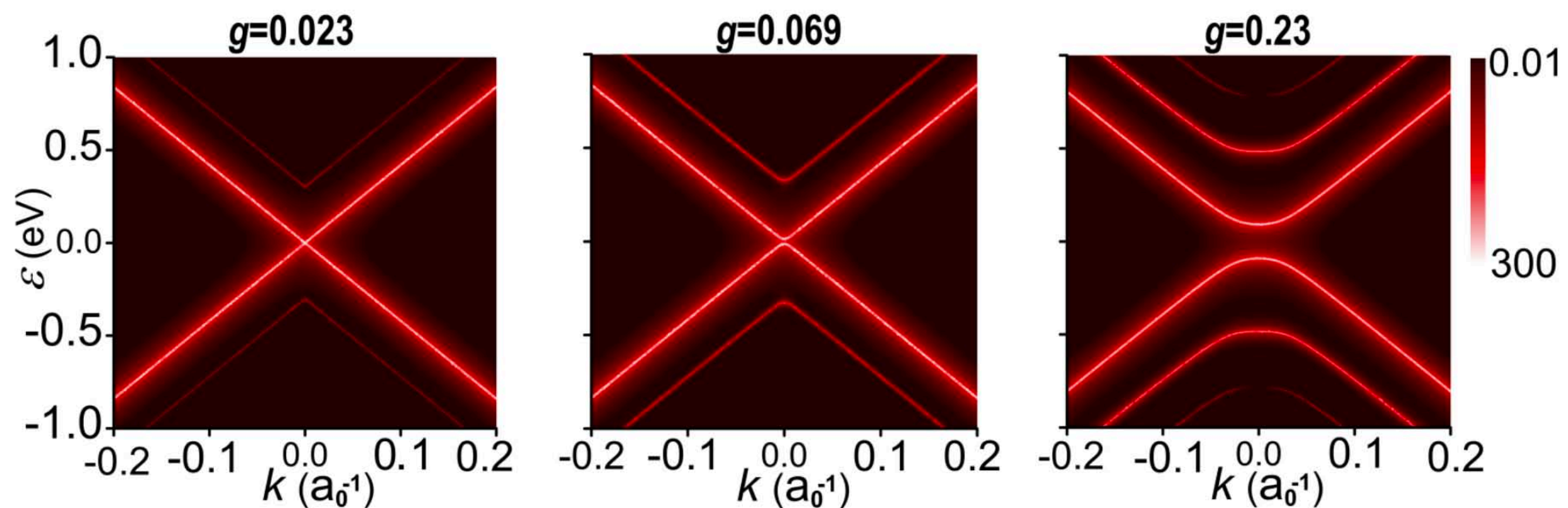
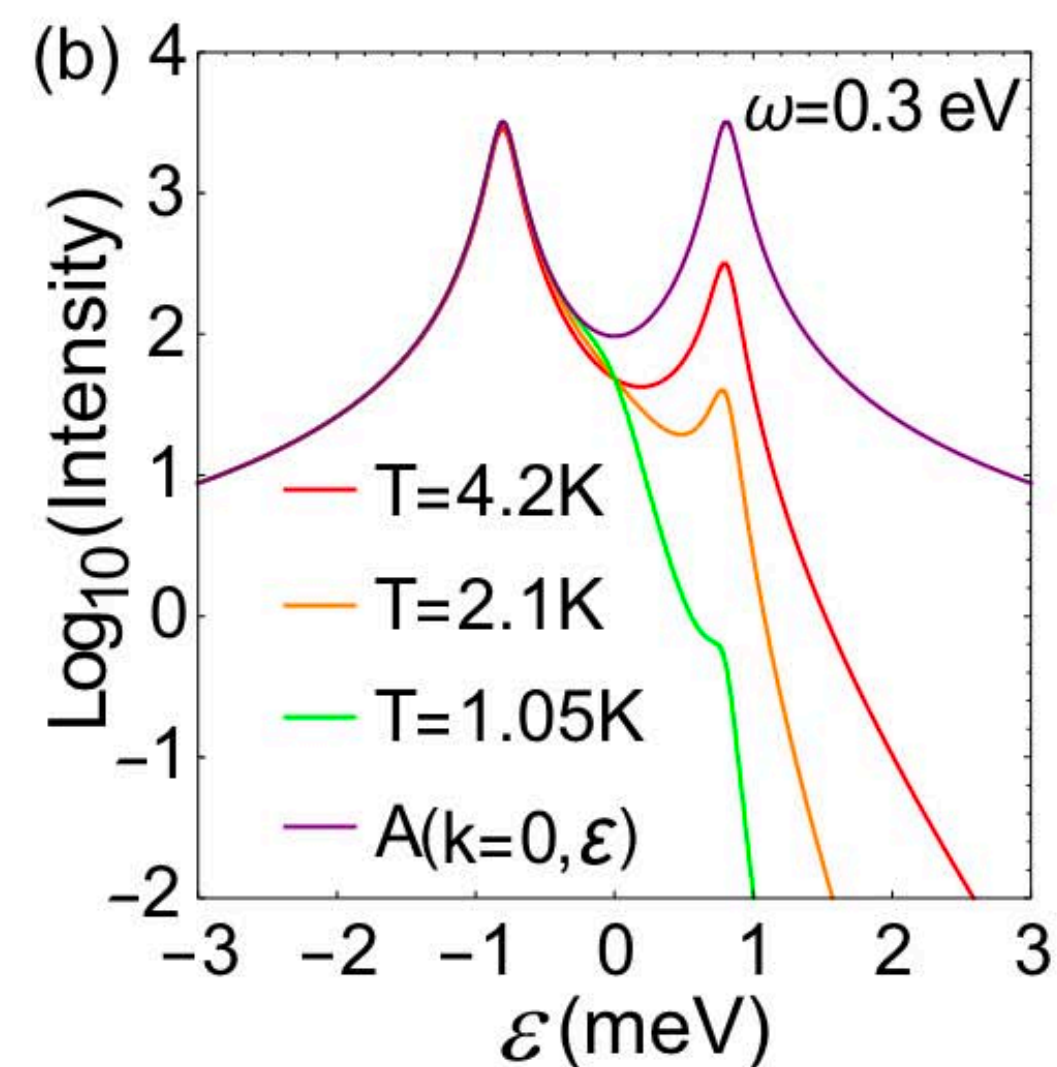
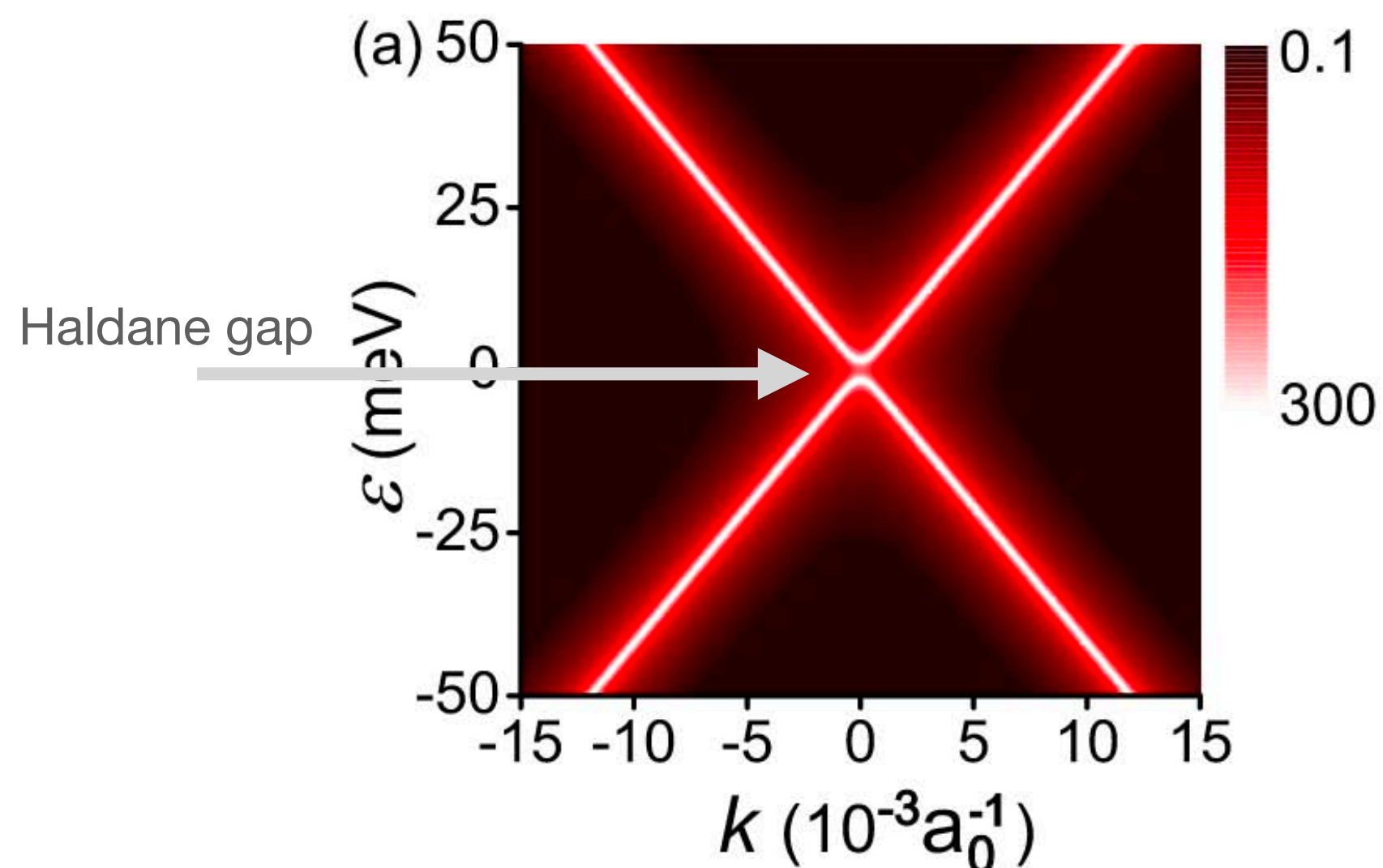
Cavity Chern insulator

At Dirac point $k=0$:

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma_{0,aa}^R(0, \epsilon) &= -g^2 \frac{(\epsilon + i0^+ - \omega)(-1) + \frac{1}{2}(\epsilon + i0^+ - \omega)}{(\epsilon + i0^+ - \omega)^2} \\ &= \frac{g^2/2}{\epsilon + i0^+ - \omega}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A26})$$

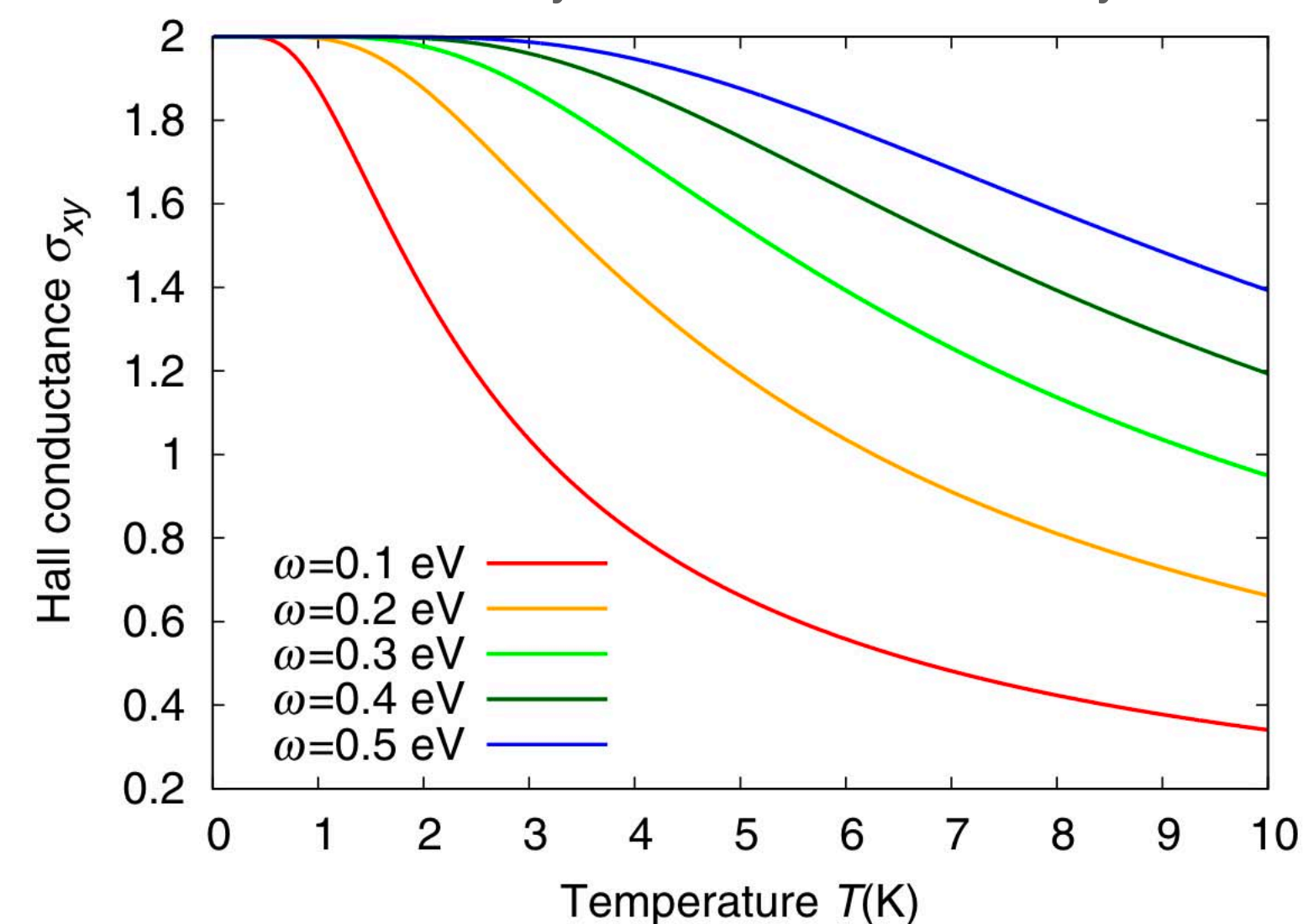
$$\Sigma_{0,bb}^R(0, \epsilon) = g^2 \frac{\frac{1}{2}(\epsilon + i0^+ + \omega)}{(\epsilon + i0^+ + \omega)^2} = \frac{g^2/2}{\epsilon + i0^+ + \omega}. \quad (\text{A27})$$

Considering the lowest-order self-energy at the Dirac point $\hat{\Sigma}^R(k=0, \epsilon) \rightarrow \hat{\Sigma}_0^R(k=0, \epsilon)$ from Eqs. (3) and (4), we find that $A(k=0, \epsilon)$ acquires an energy gap $\Delta = \sqrt{2g^2 + \omega^2} - \omega$. In the limit $2g^2/\omega^2 \ll 1$, we obtain $\Delta \approx \frac{g^2}{\omega} = \frac{2\hbar^2 v_F^2 A_0^2}{\omega}$. This result is in remarkably close formal analogy with the Floquet high-frequency expansion [14] when the quantum photon amplitude A_0 is replaced by the field strength A_0 of the classical vector potential.



(self-consistent results with analytical continuation via Padé)

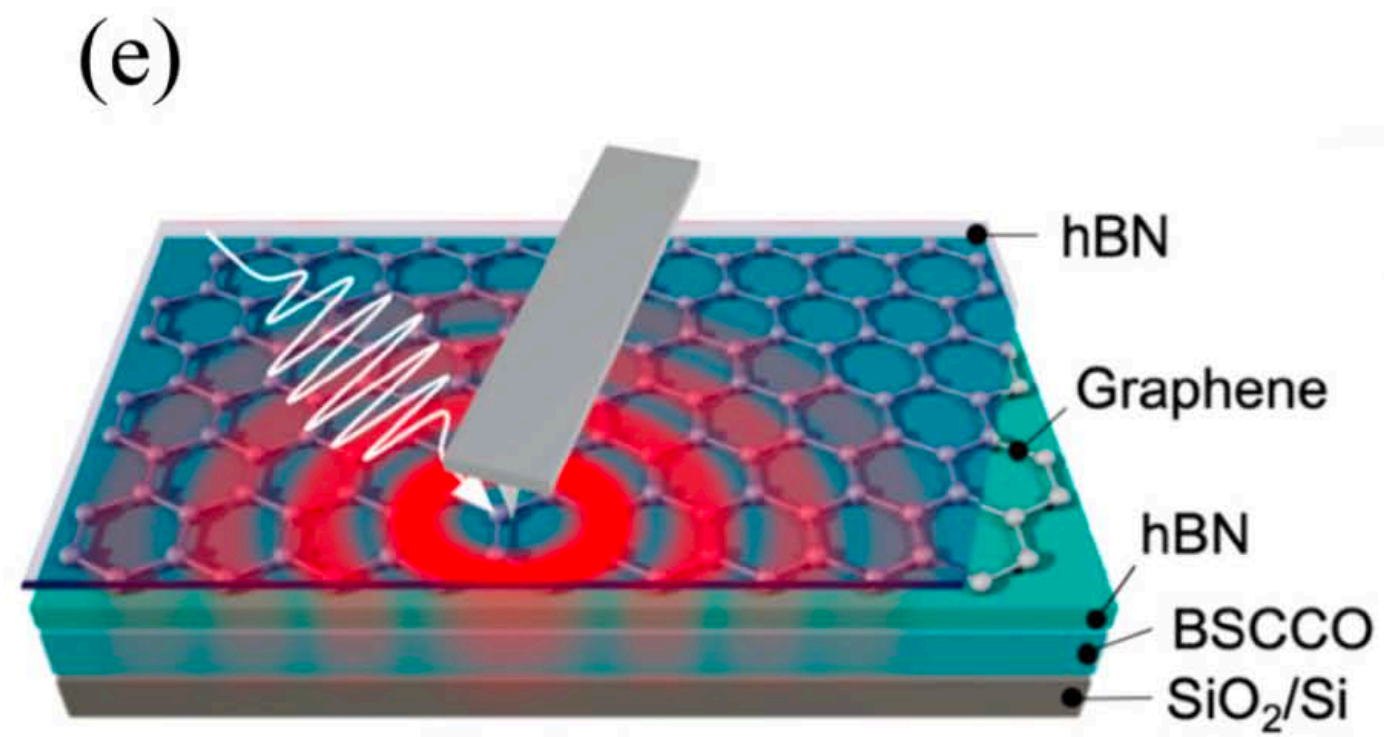
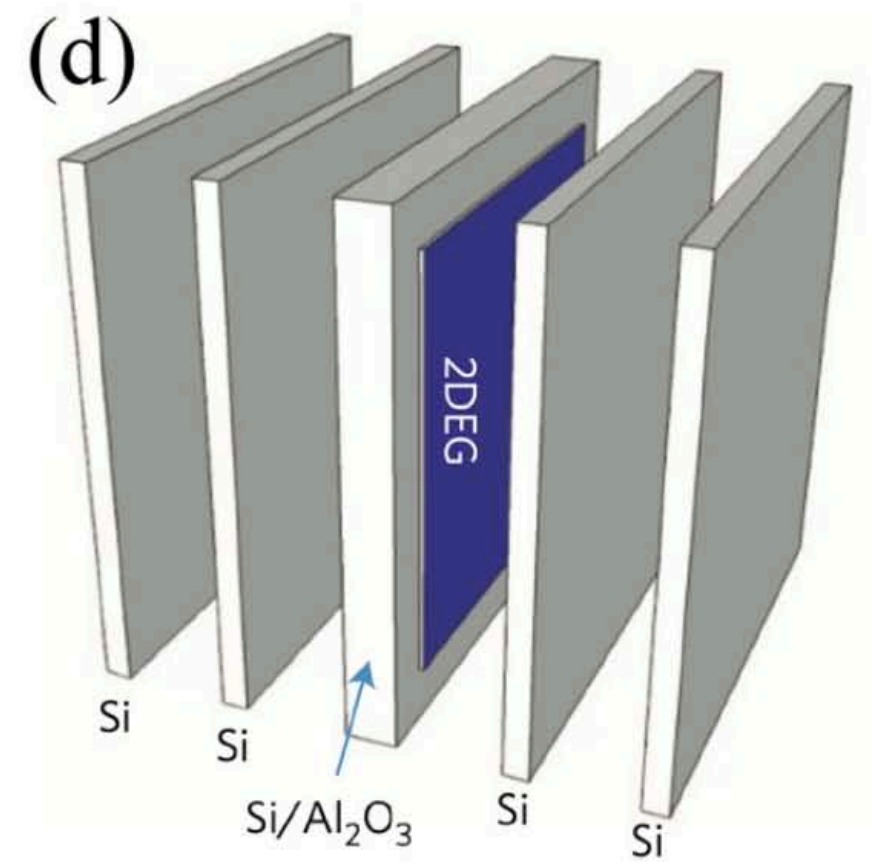
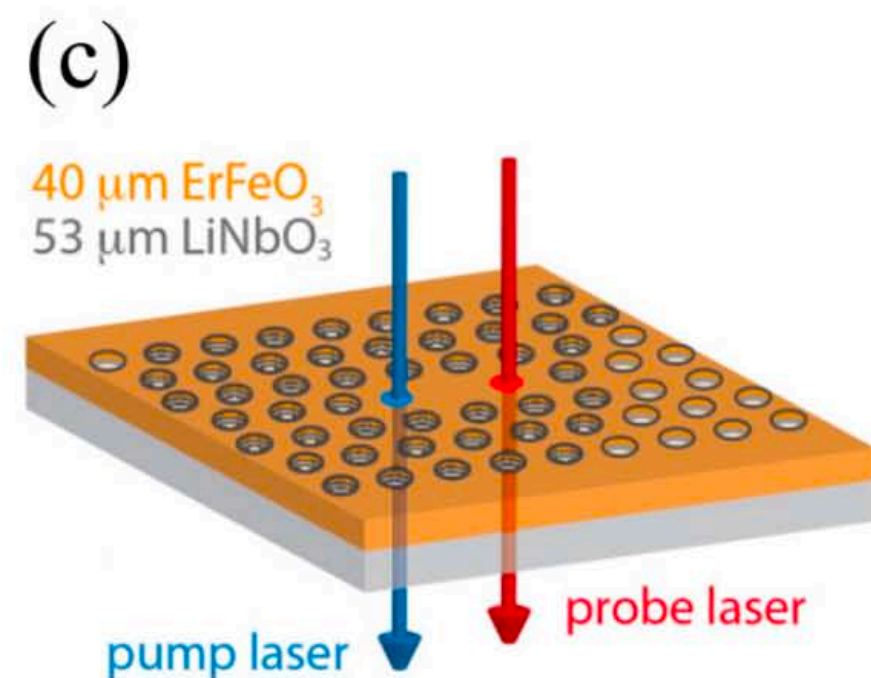
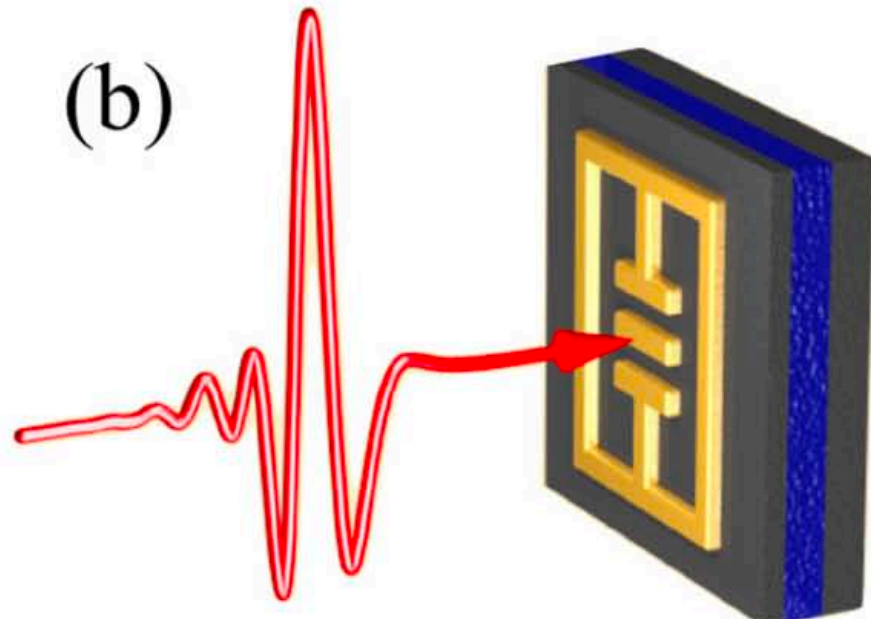
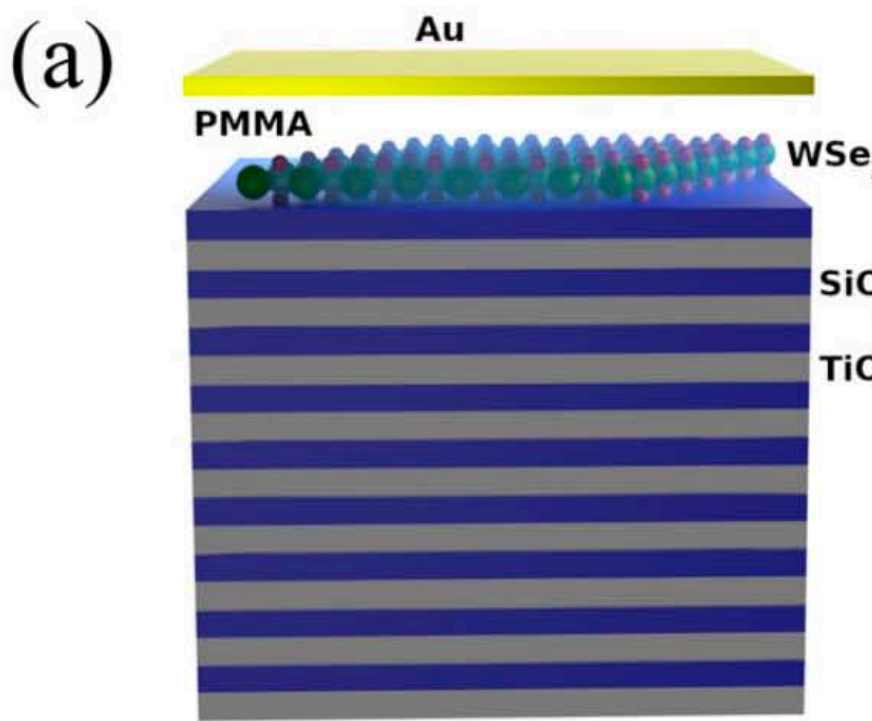
Quantized cavity Hall effect at sufficiently low T



Going beyond classical drives — cavity quantum materials

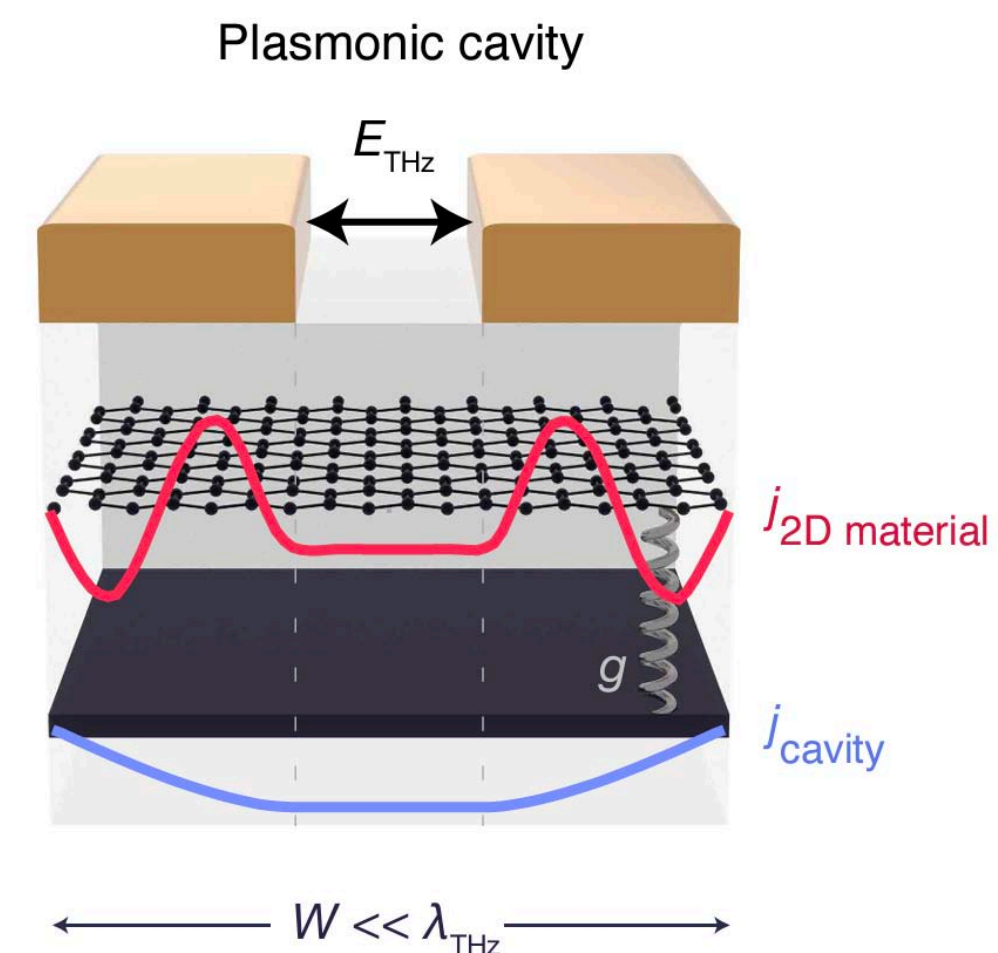
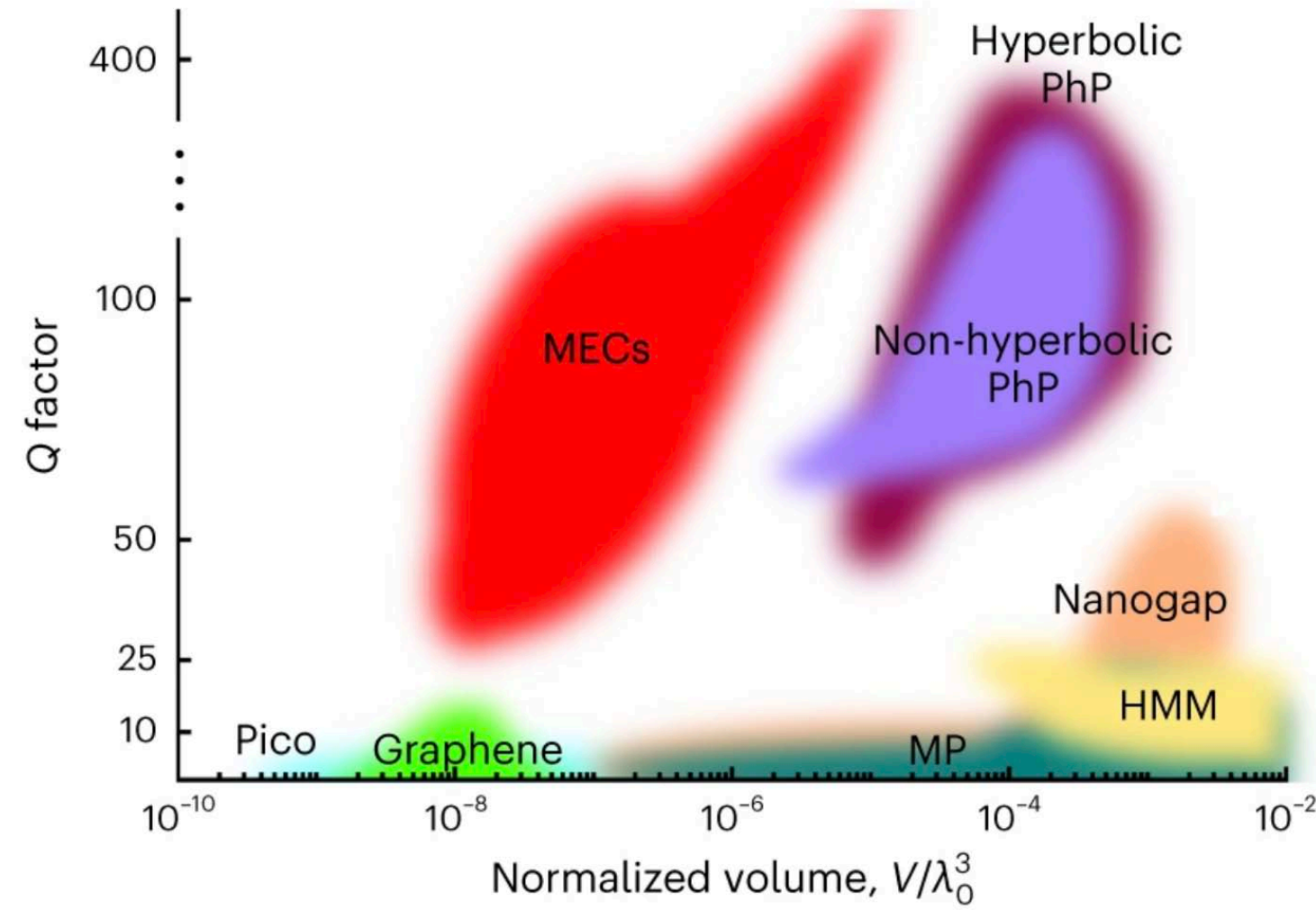
Replacing strong fields by strong coupling

Many possible platforms (not just Fabry-Perot)



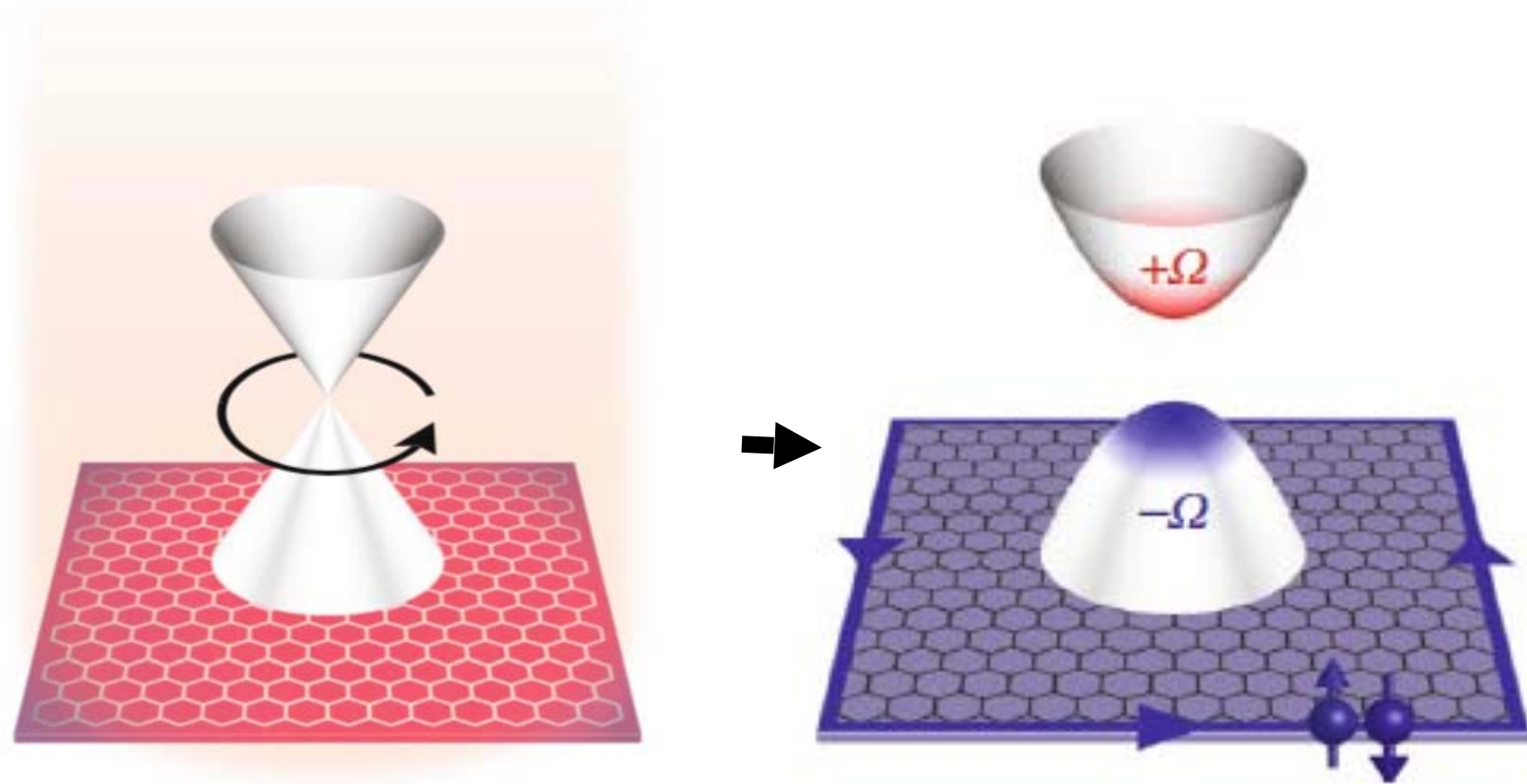
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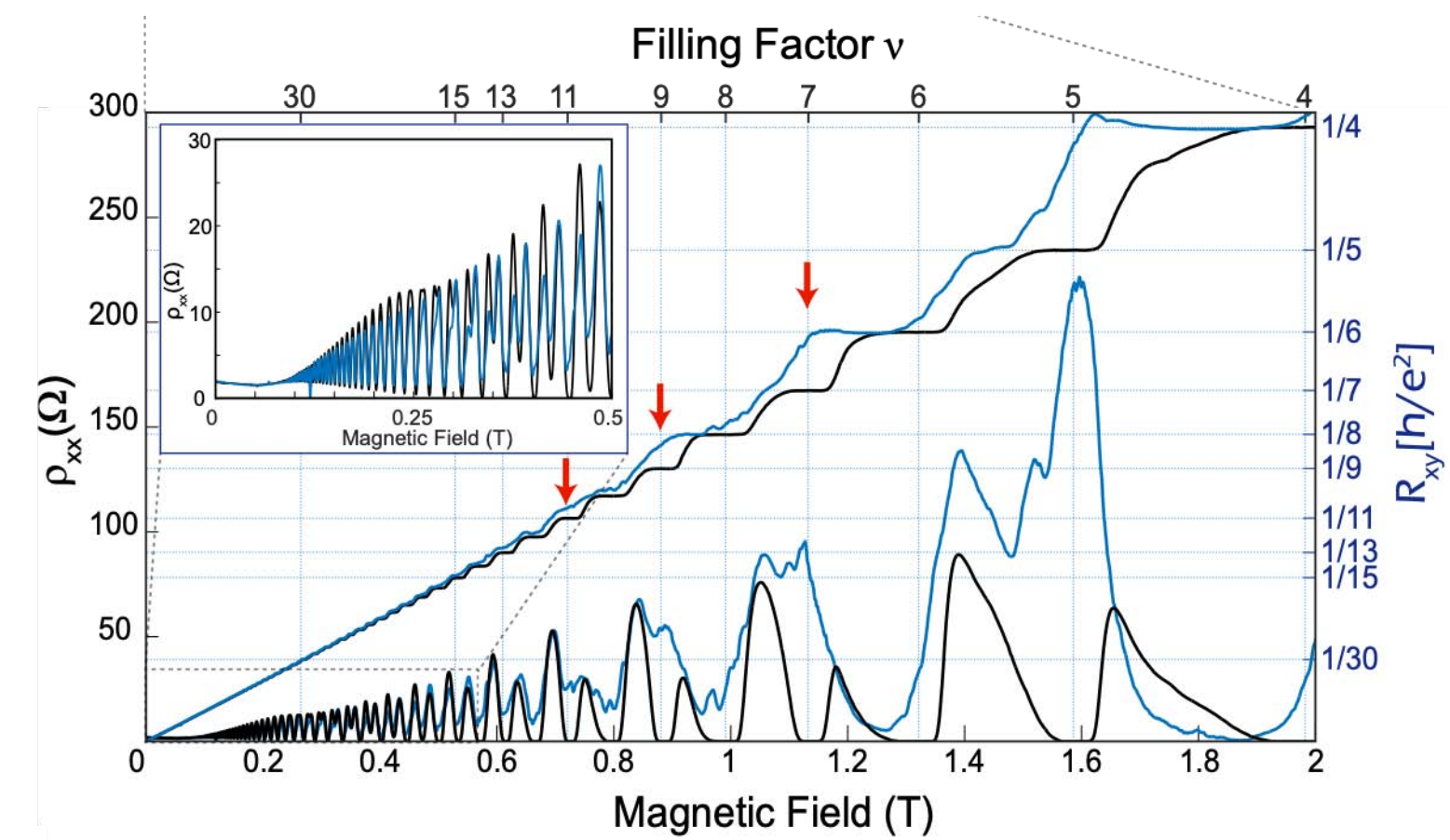
Light-matter control of quantum materials: classical to quantum light

light-induced topological matter



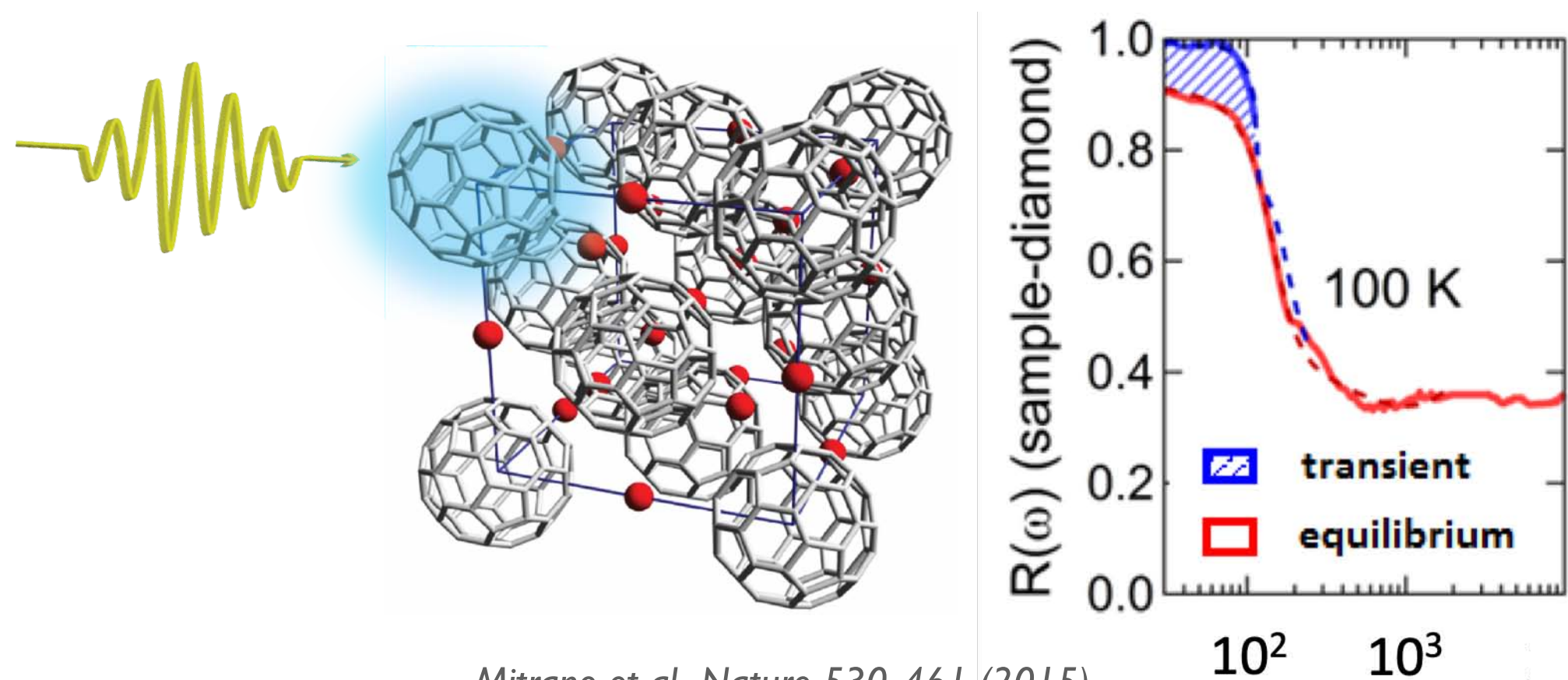
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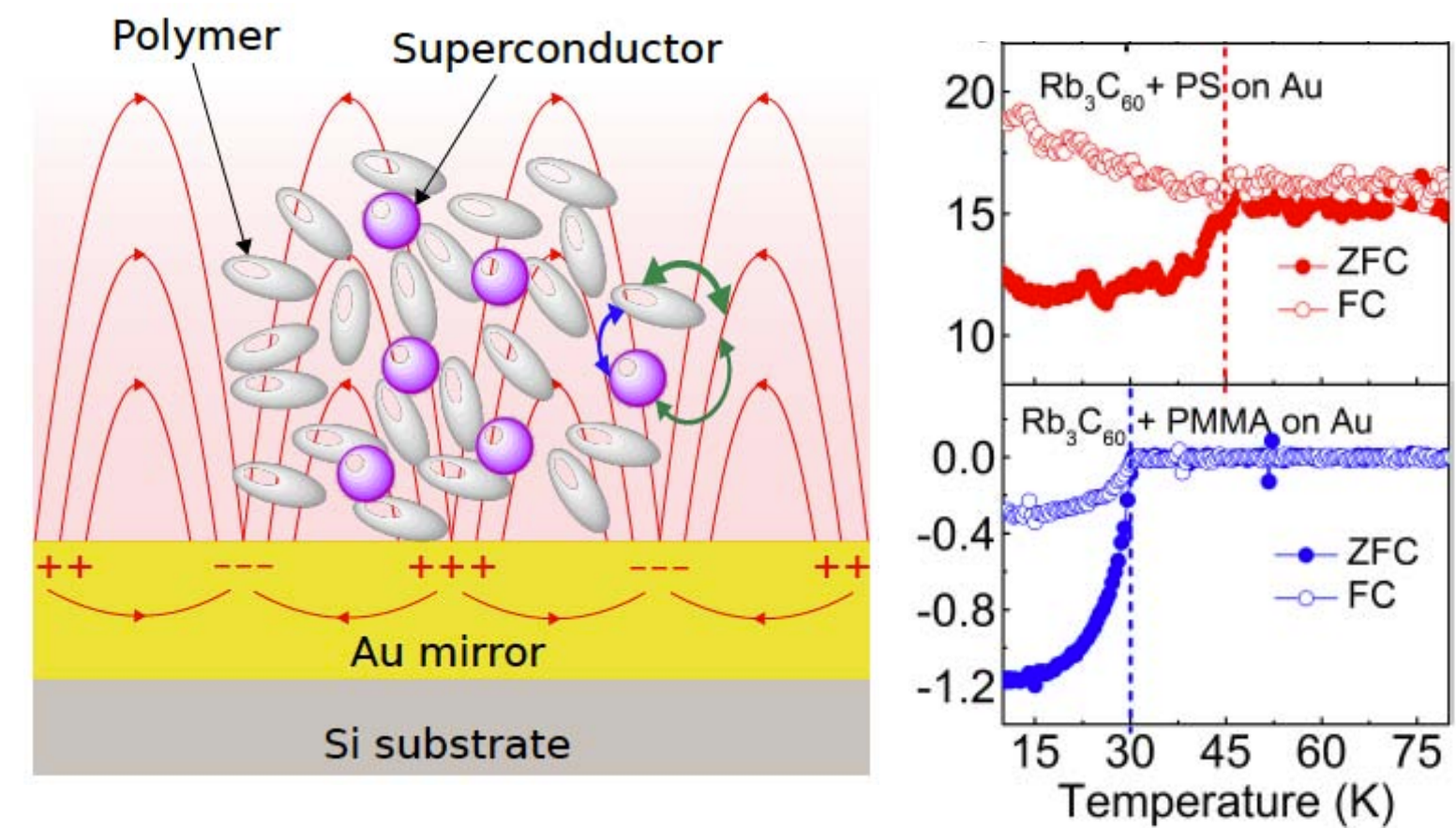
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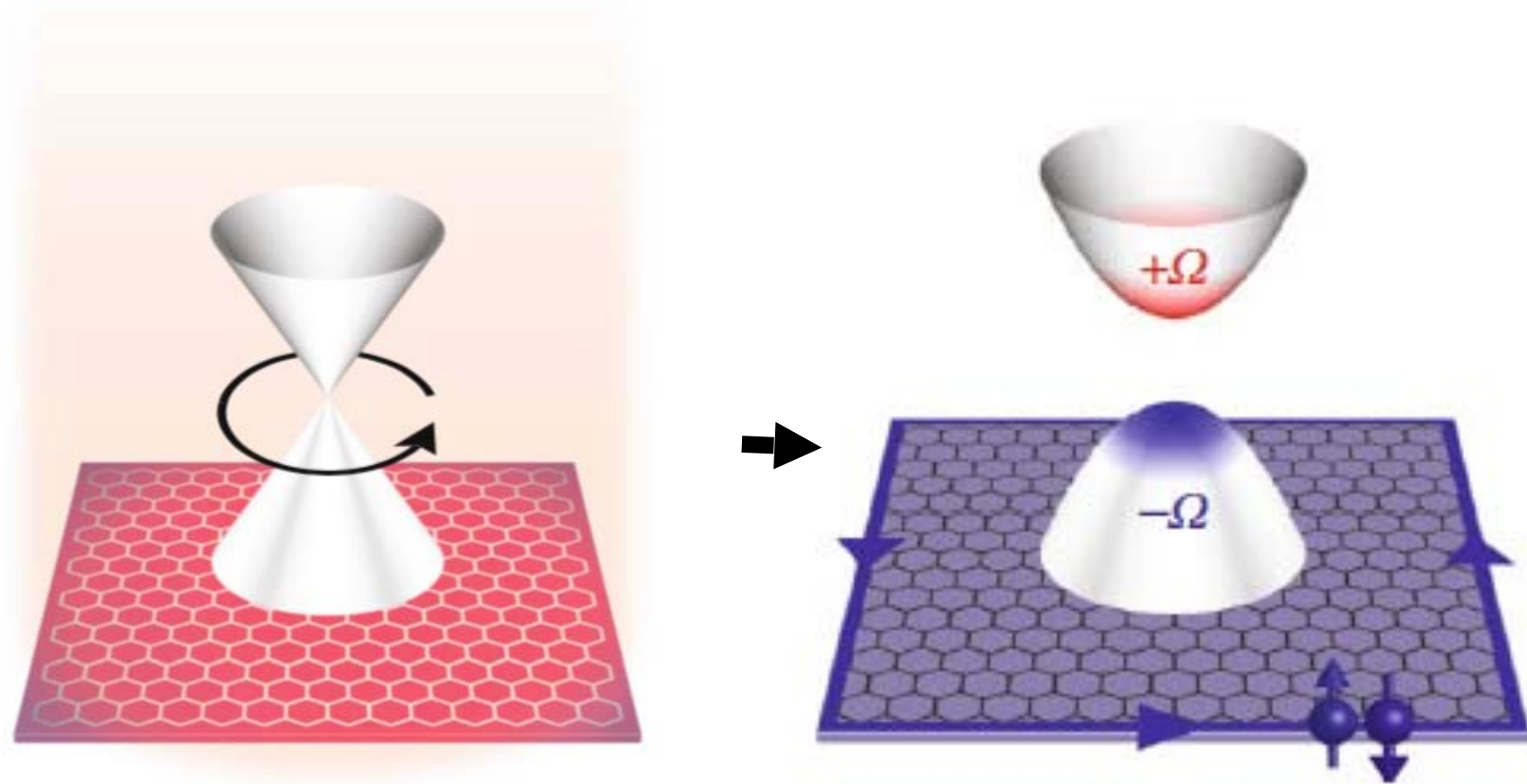
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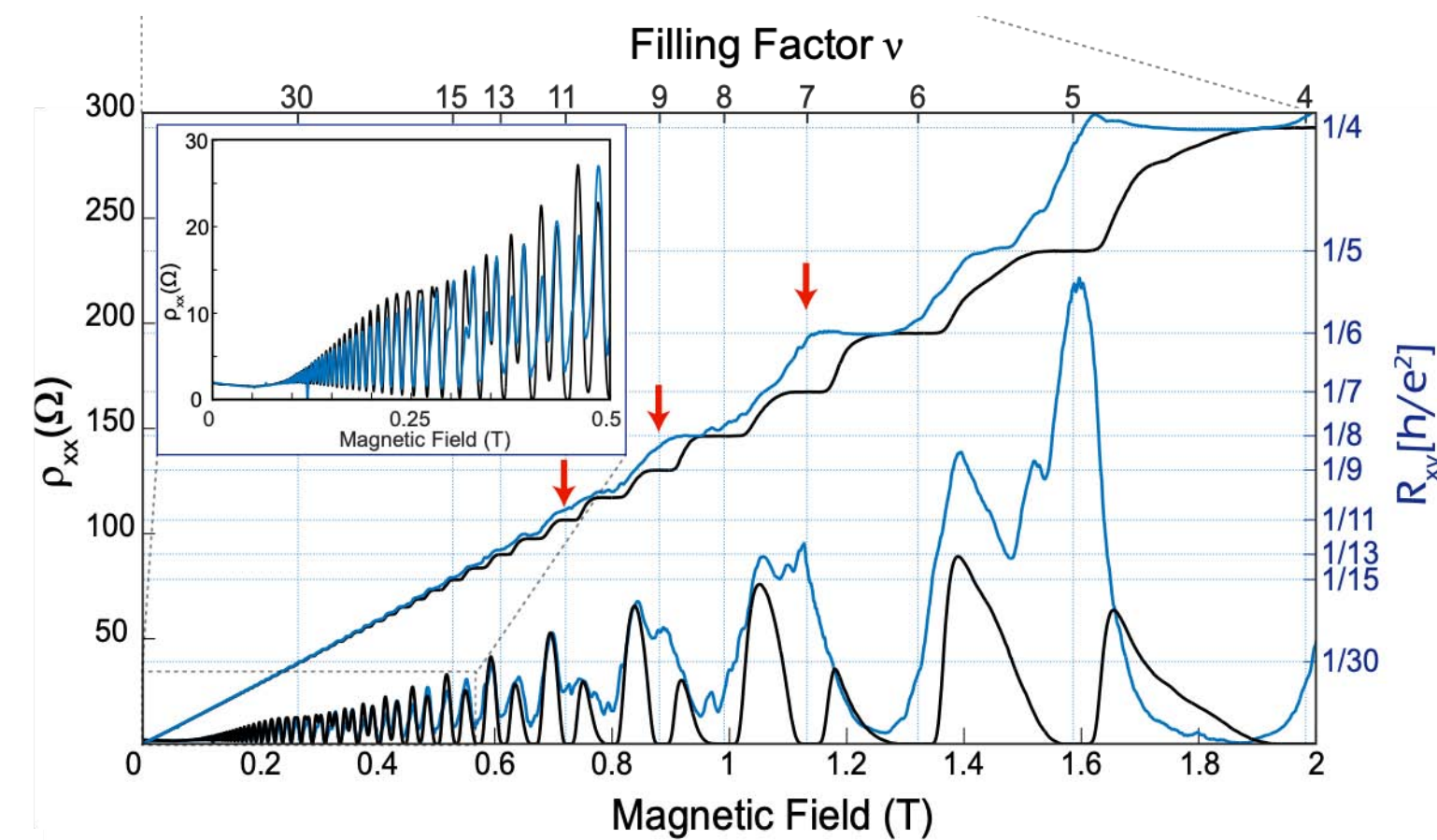
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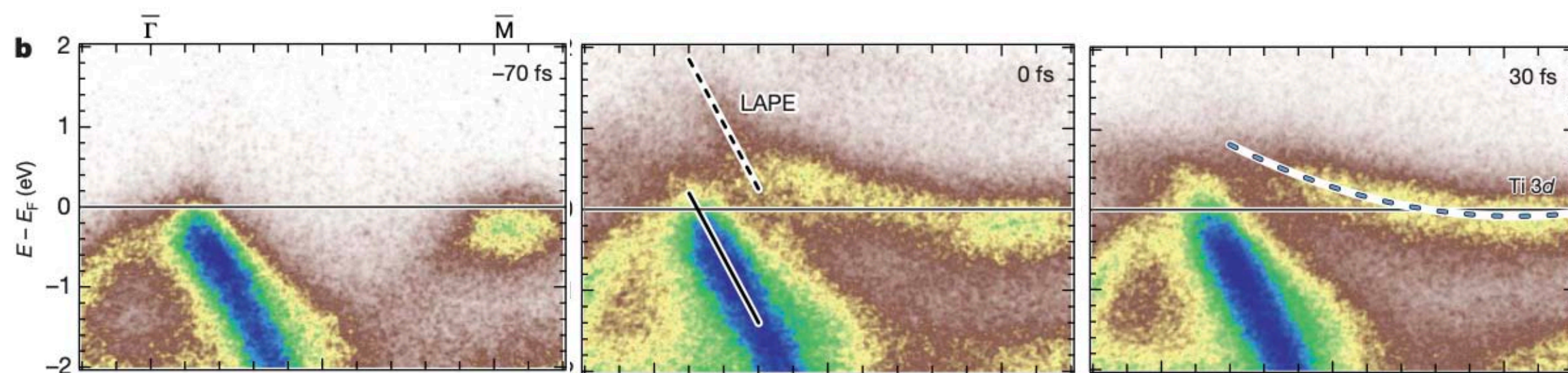
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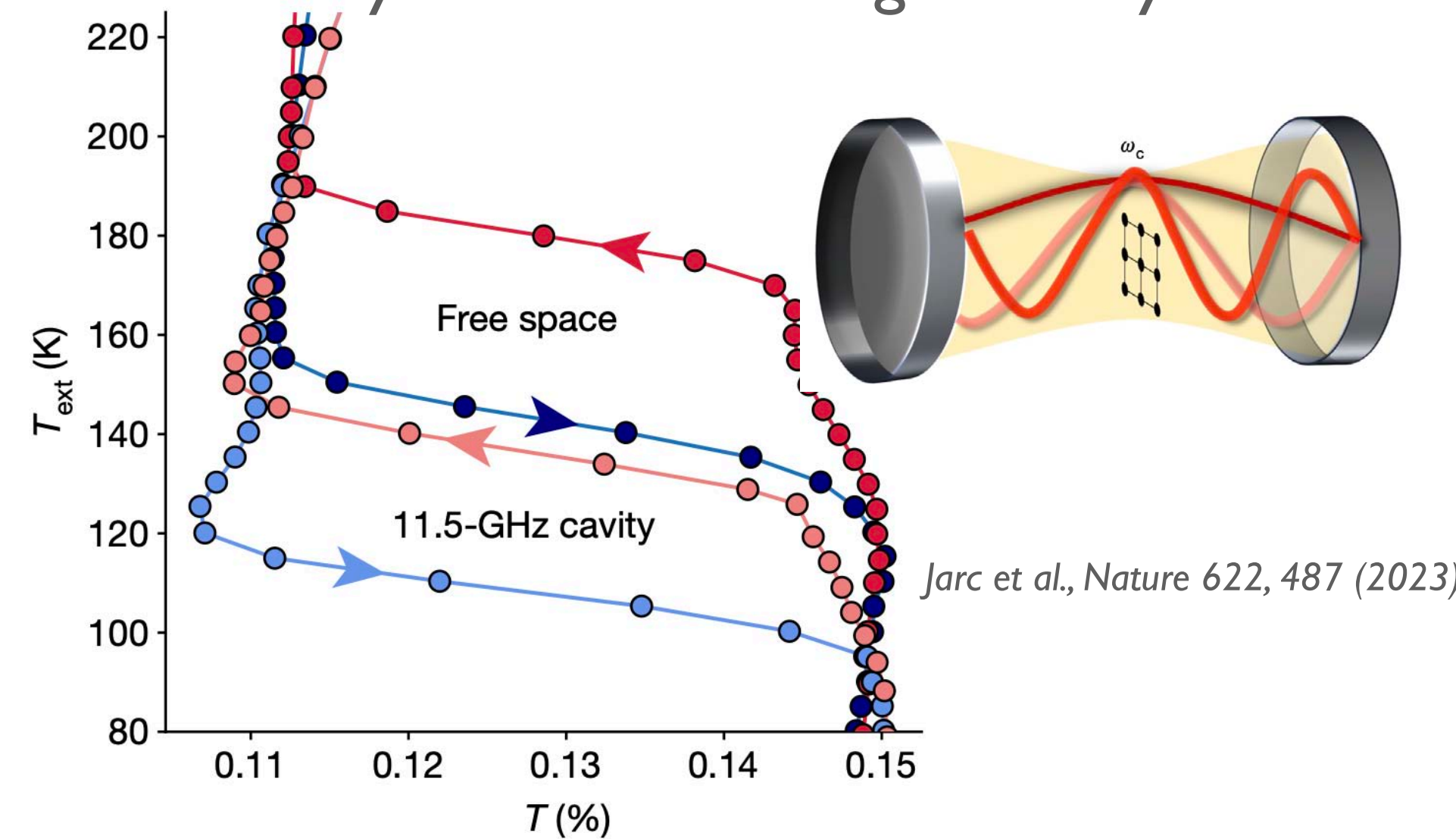
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light-driven charge density waves



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cavity-controlled charge density waves

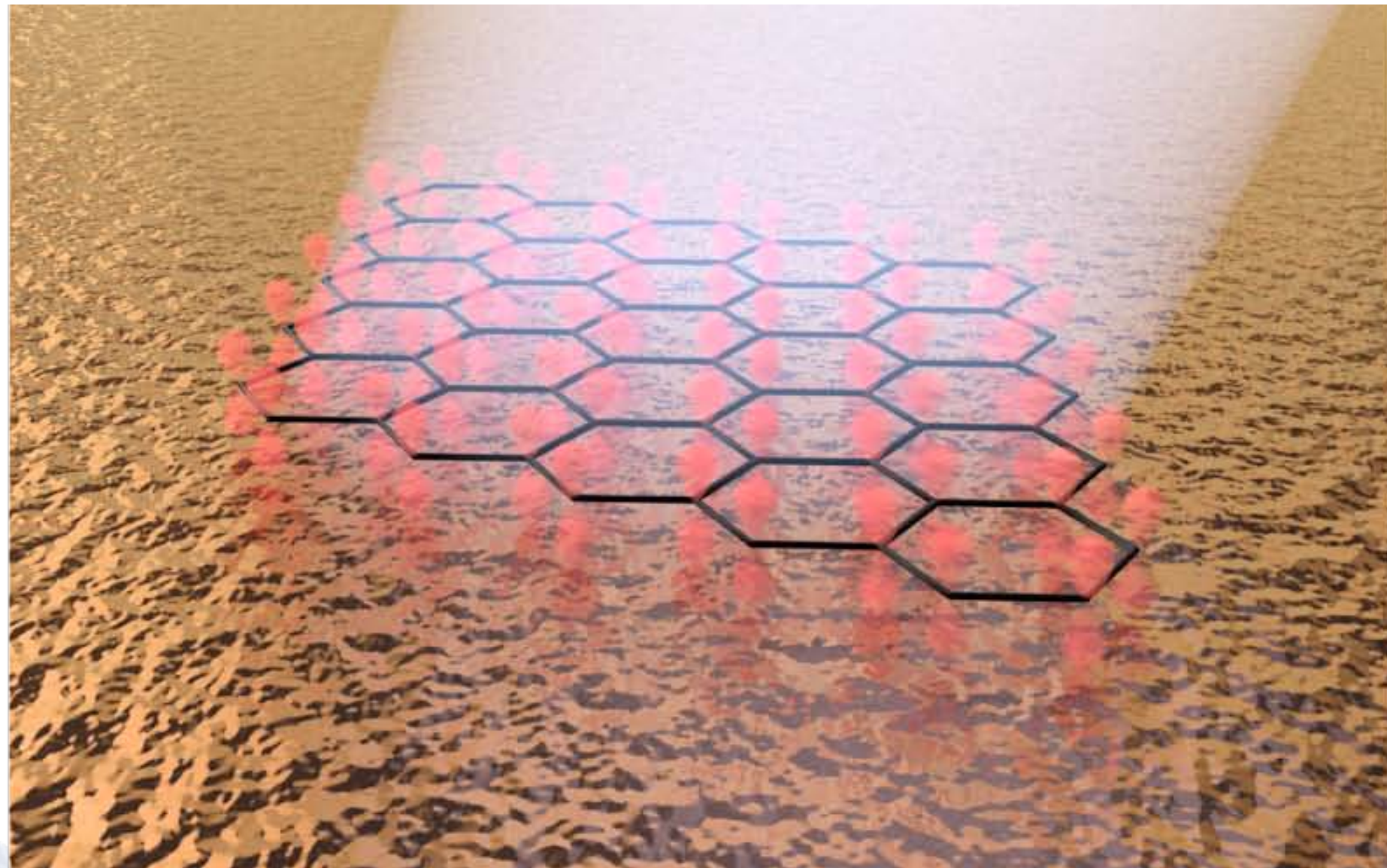


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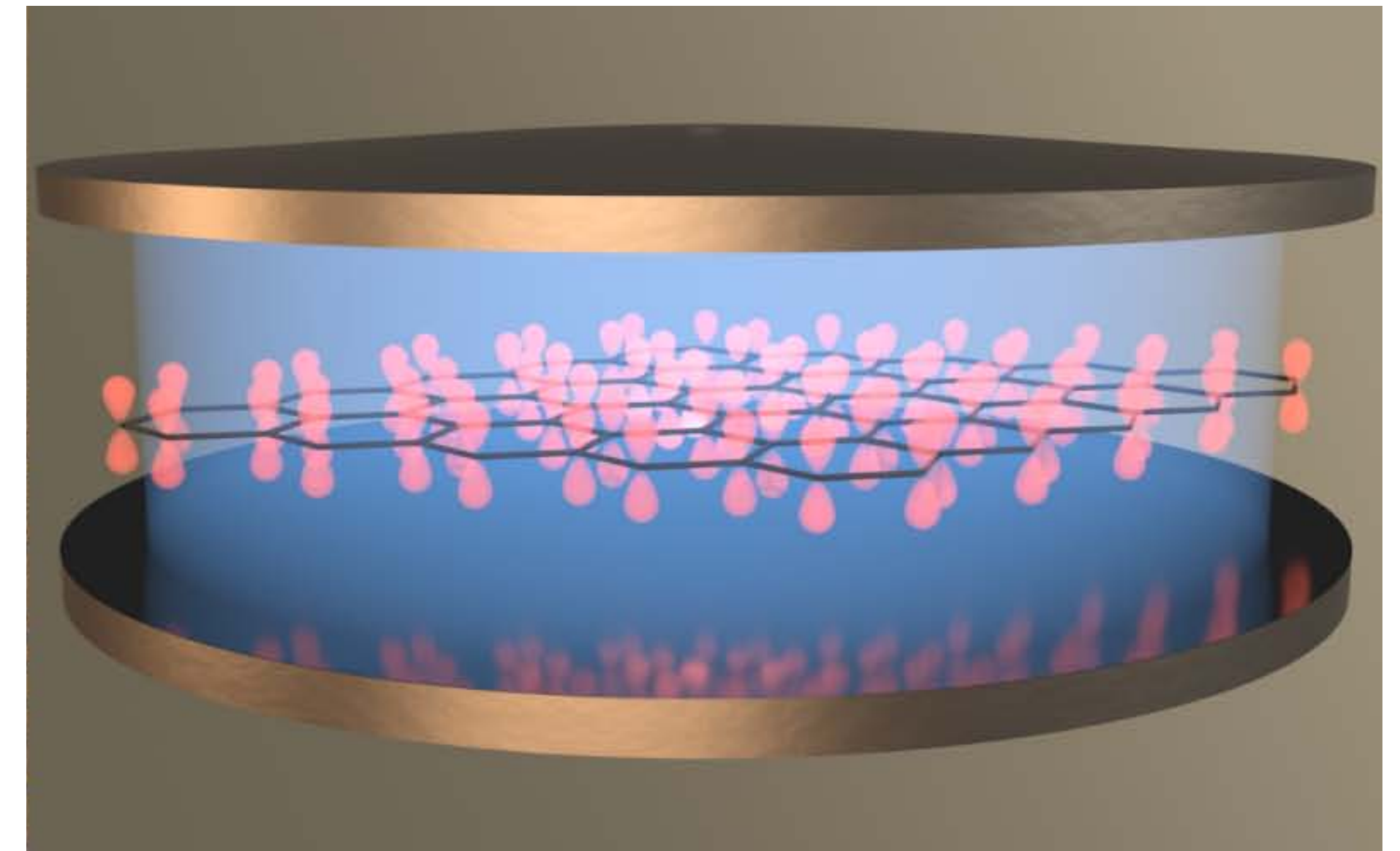
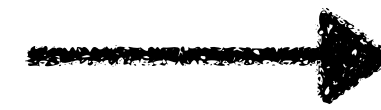
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Cavity quantum materials



strong laser



strong light-matter coupling

[Applied Physics Reviews 9, 011312 \(2022\)](#)

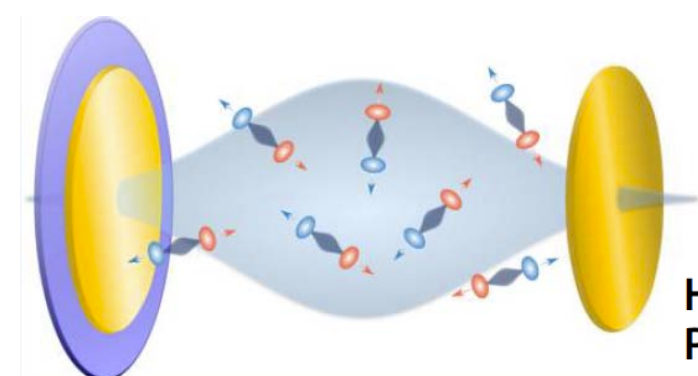
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A new generation of experiments shows that spontaneous radiation from excited atoms can be greatly suppressed or enhanced by placing the atoms between mirrors or in cavities.

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Physics Today 1989



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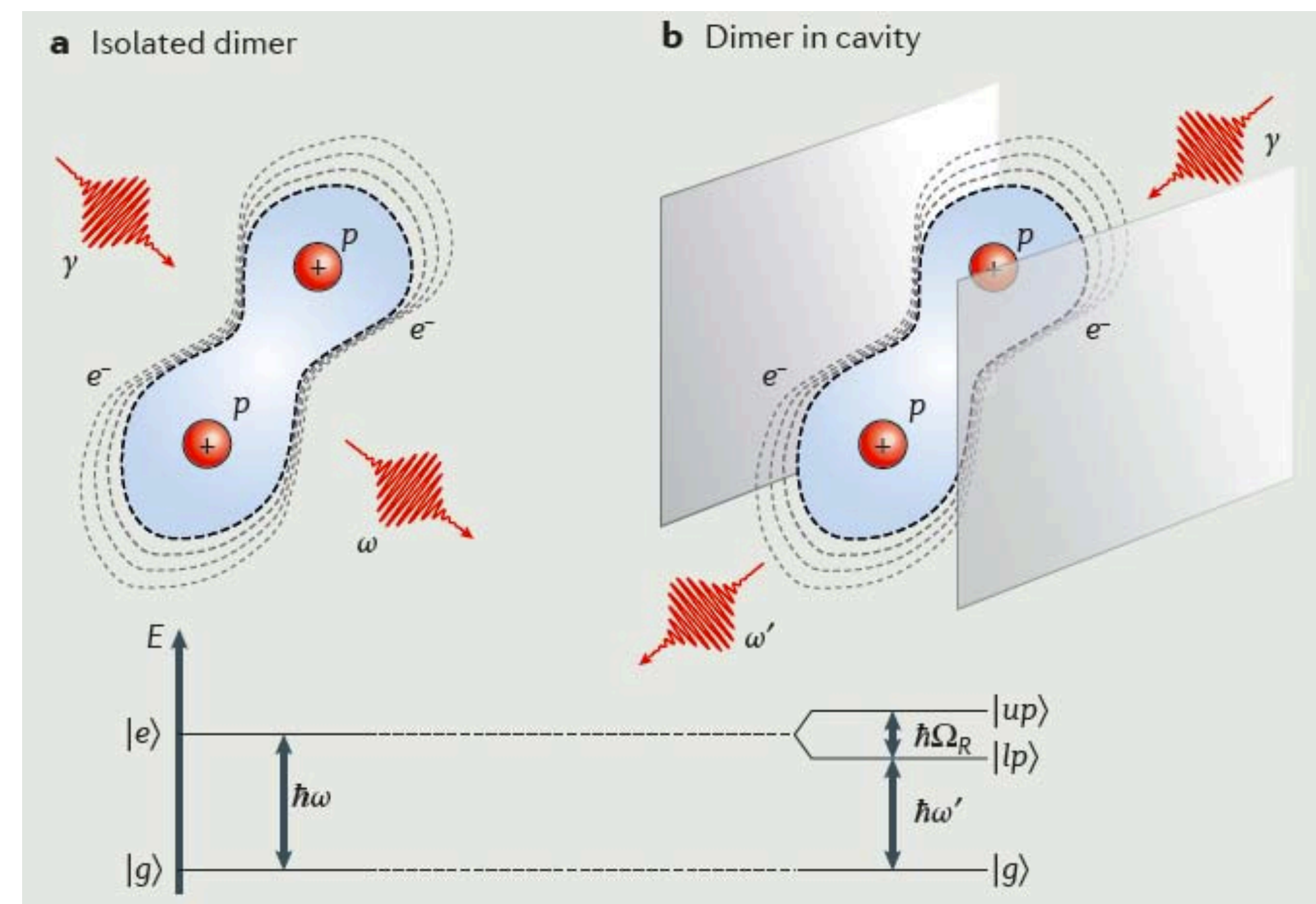
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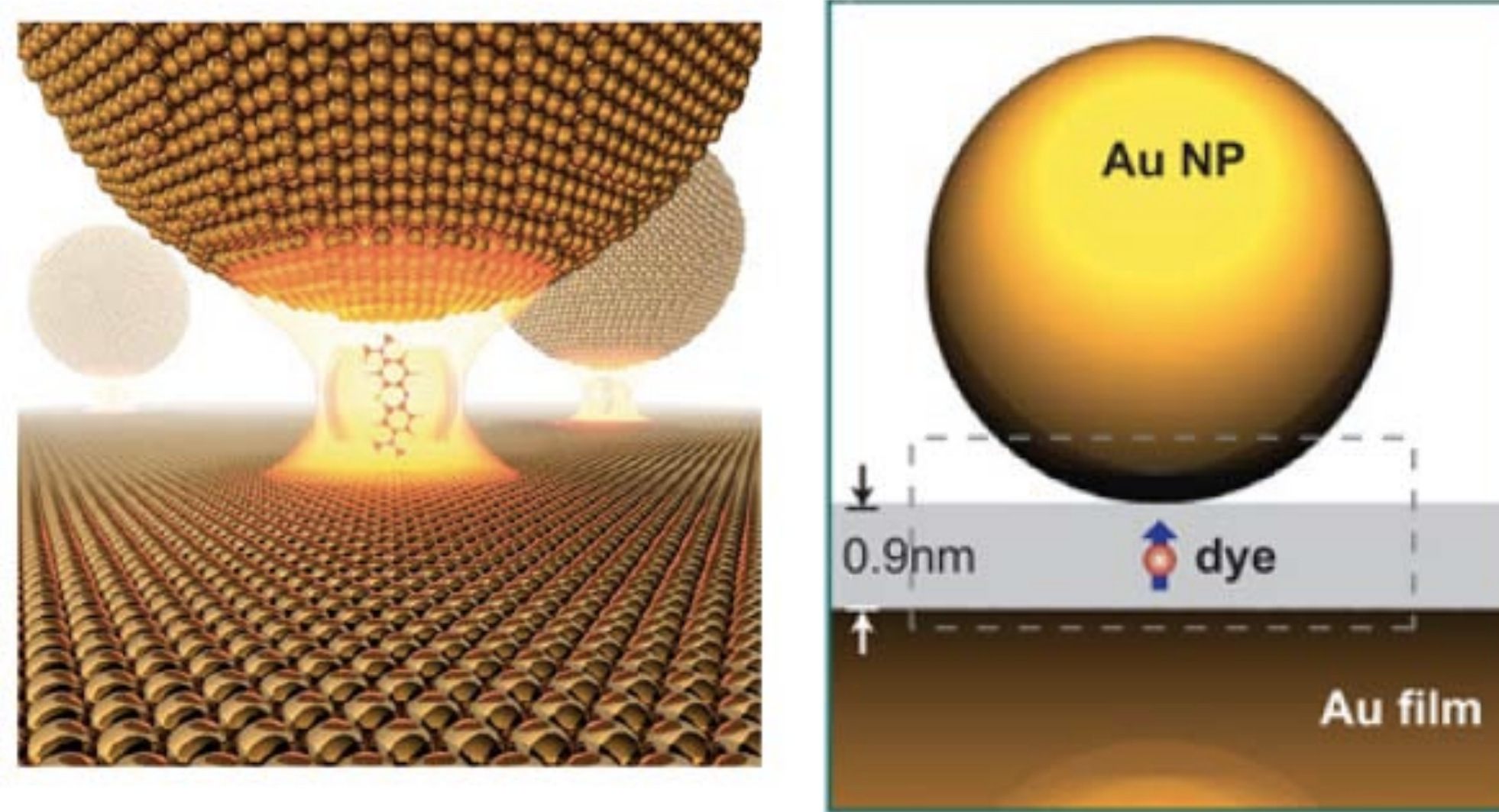
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changing the vacuum **changes the matter!**

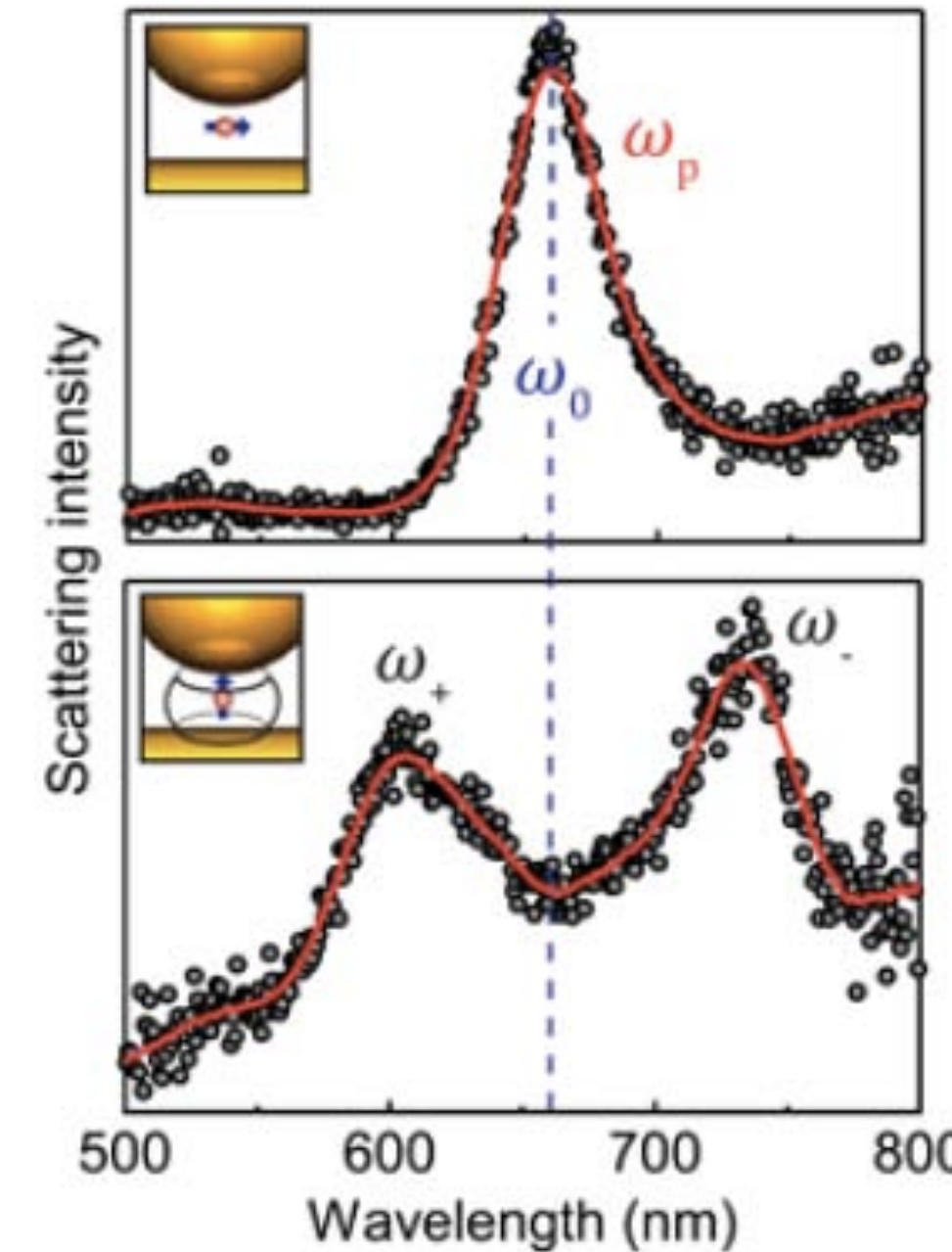
Recent years: Placing atoms and molecules in cavities shown to sometimes **dramatically change** their properties and chemical reactions: „light-matter (collective) **strong coupling**“.



Plasmonic surfaces I

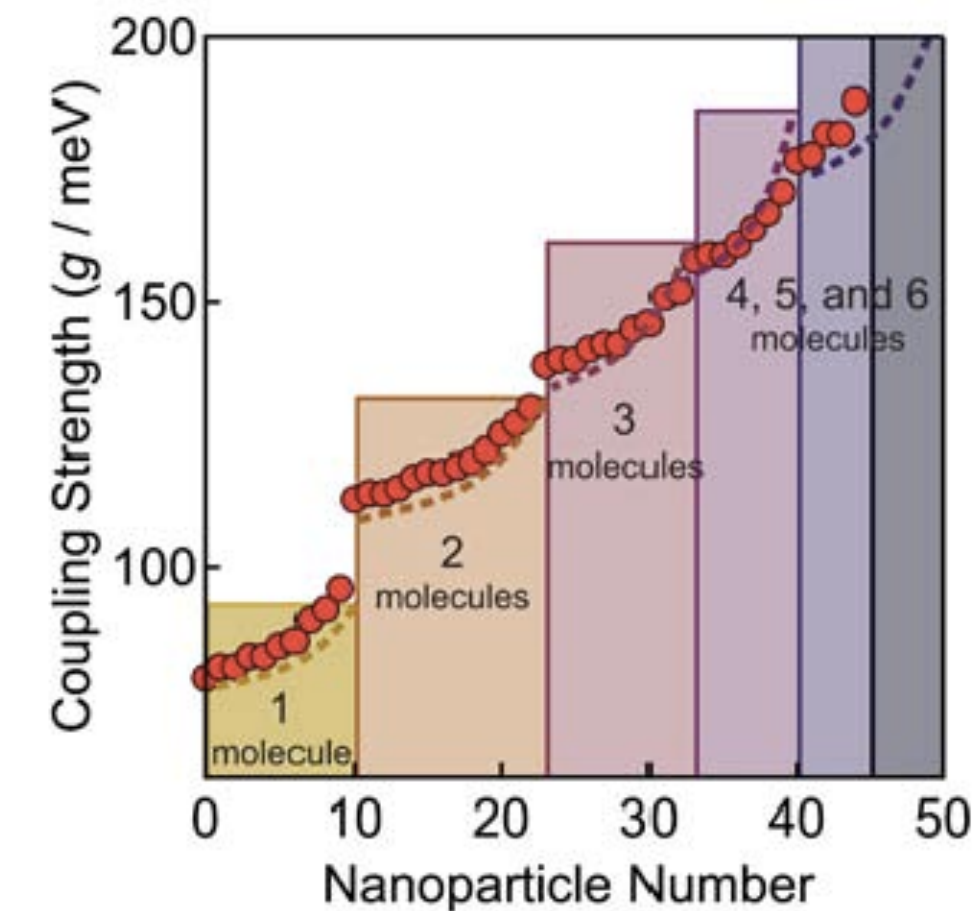


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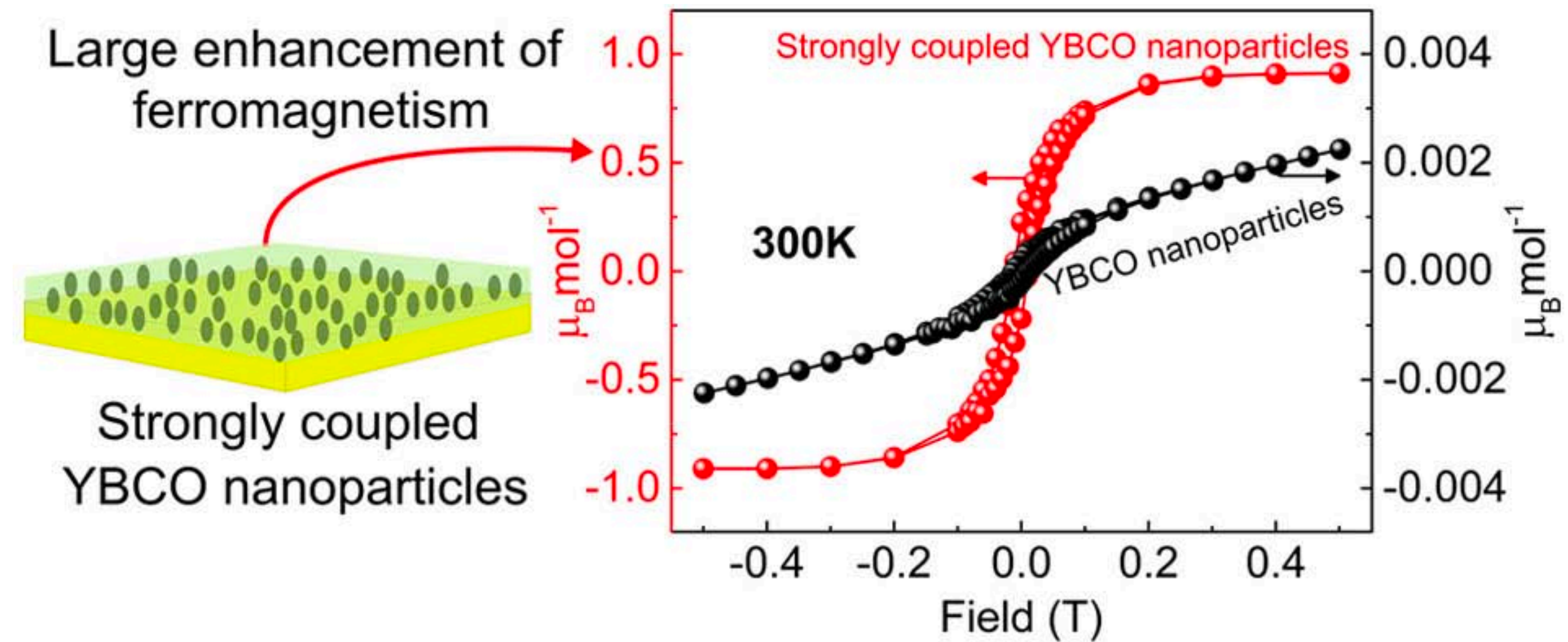
Rabi splitting

- **collective strong light-matter coupling:**
many atoms interact with the **same cavity photon mode**
- **cavity materials:** many atoms interact with same modes
- „Floquet engineering with **vacuum fluctuations of light**“



Plasmonic surfaces II

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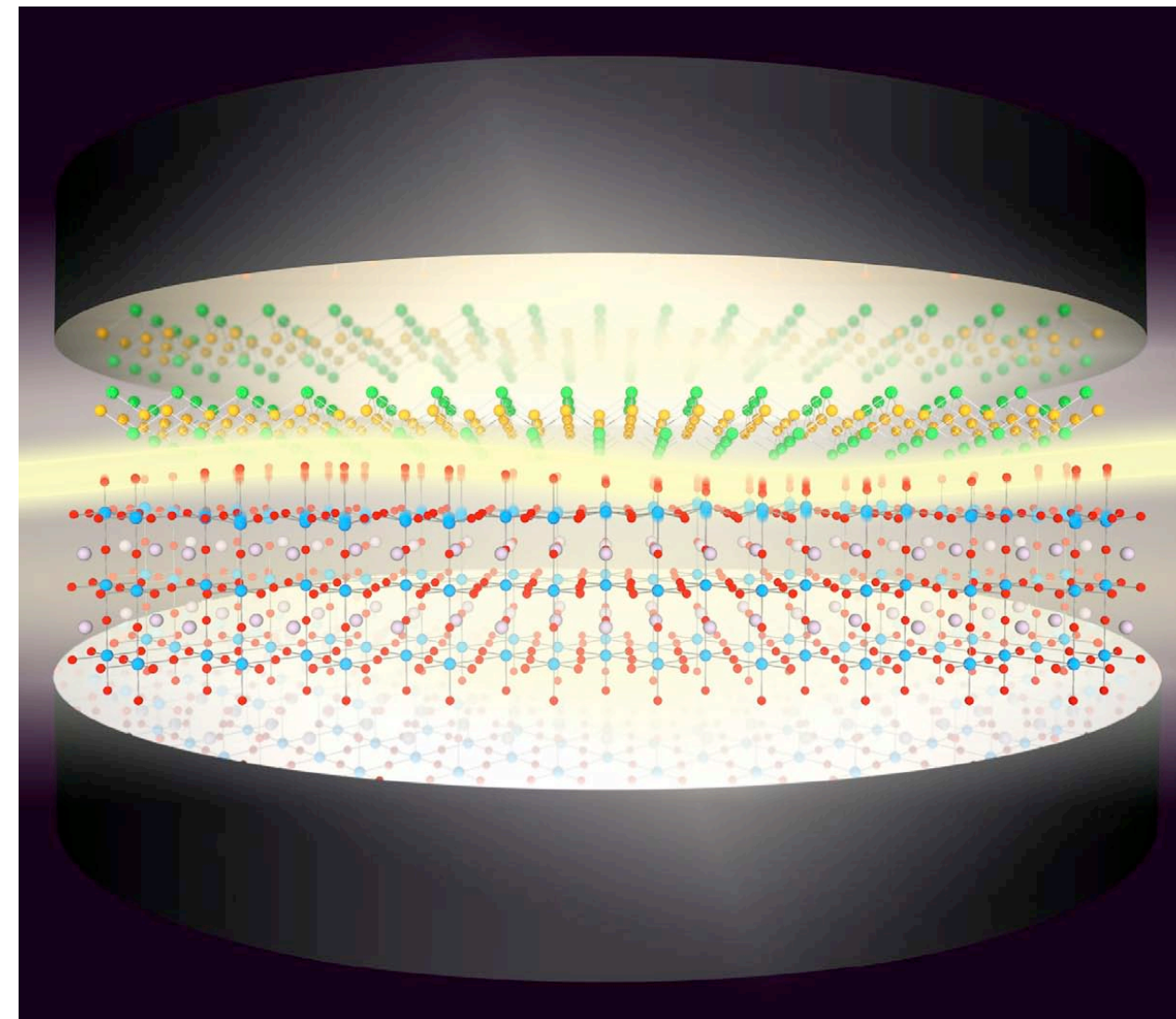


phonon polariton formation influencing electronic properties

Plasmonic surfaces III

Cavity quantum-electrodynamically polaritonically enhanced electron-phonon coupling and its influence on superconductivity

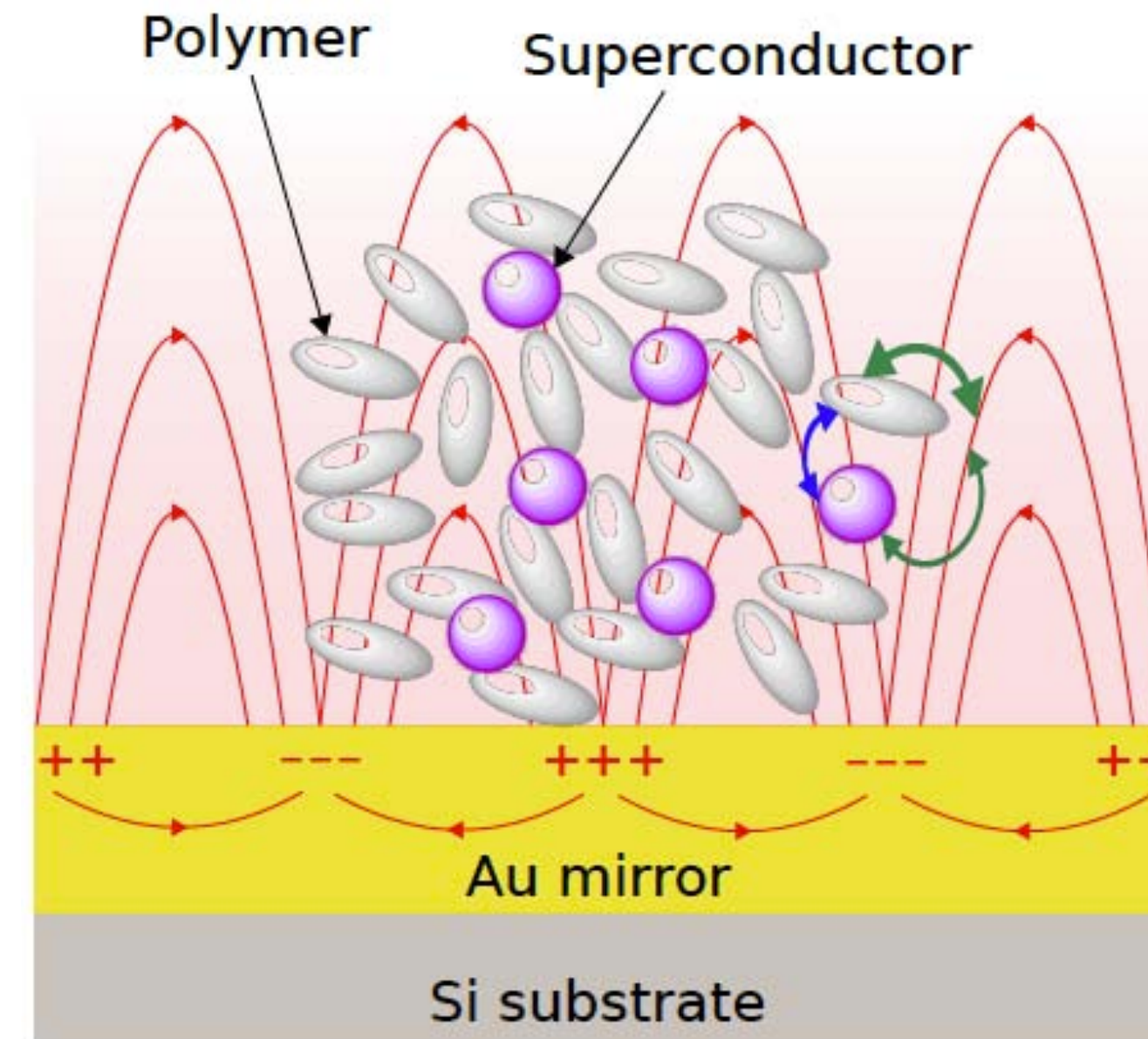
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Cavity superconductivity?



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**Cavity-assisted mesoscopic transport of fermions:
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Cavity-mediated electron-photon superconductivity

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Cavity Quantum Eliashberg Enhancement of Superconductivity

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Manipulating quantum materials with quantum light

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Superconductivity and other collective phenomena in a hybrid Bose-Fermi mixture formed by a polariton condensate and an electron system in two dimensions

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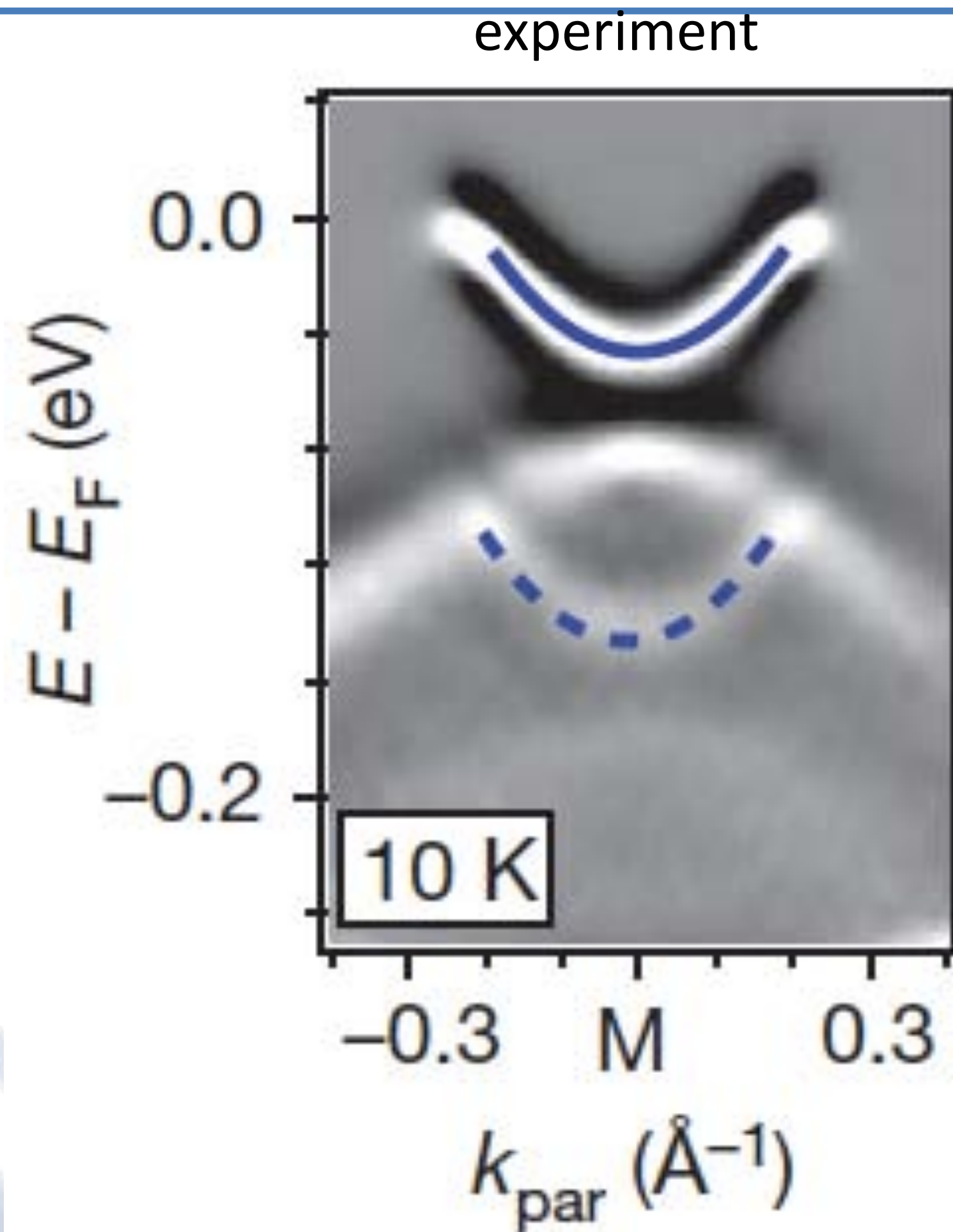
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Cavity control of Dark Excitons in two dimensional Materials

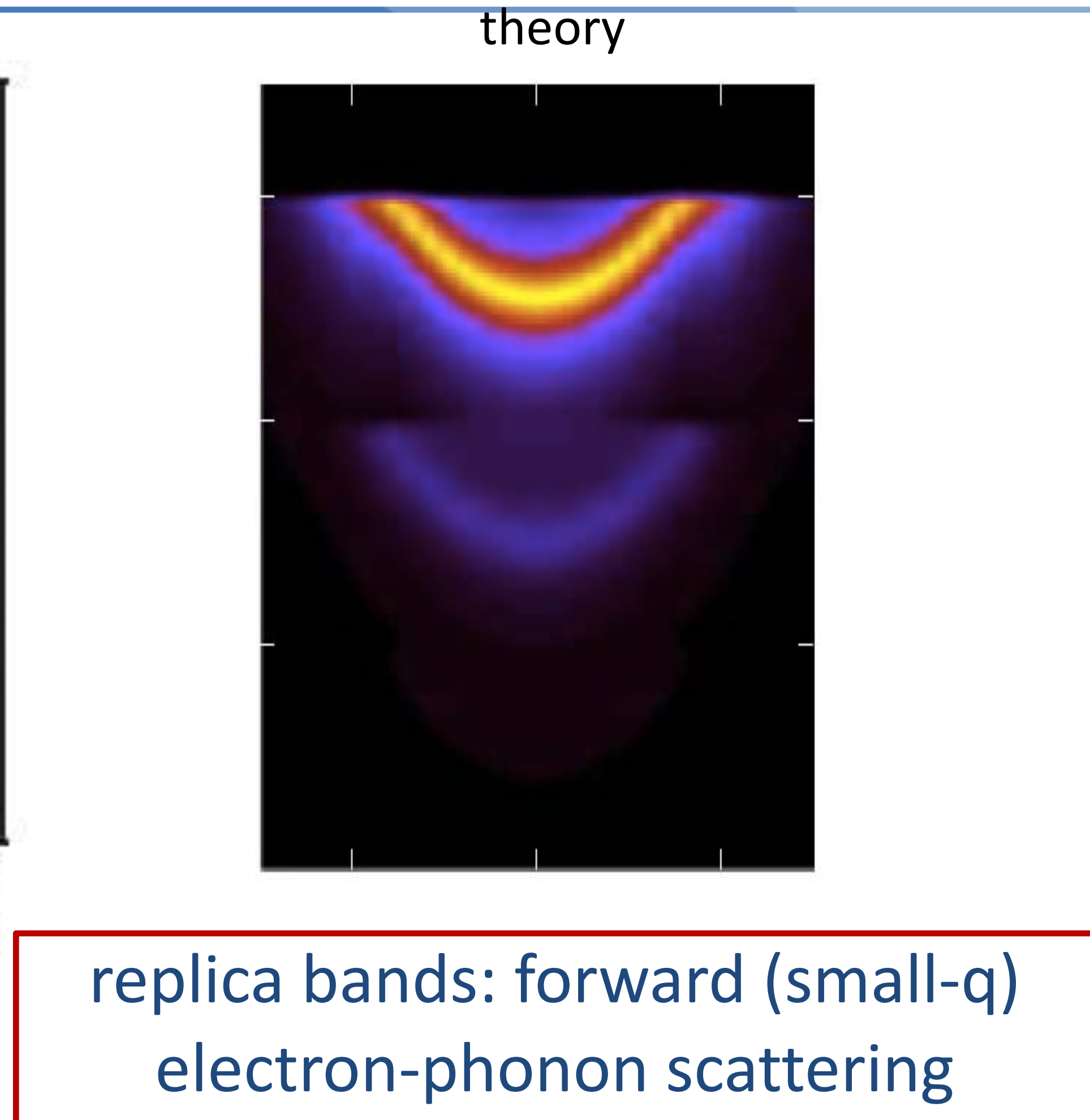
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monolayer FeSe/STO: ARPES



Lee et al., Nature 515, 245 (2014)

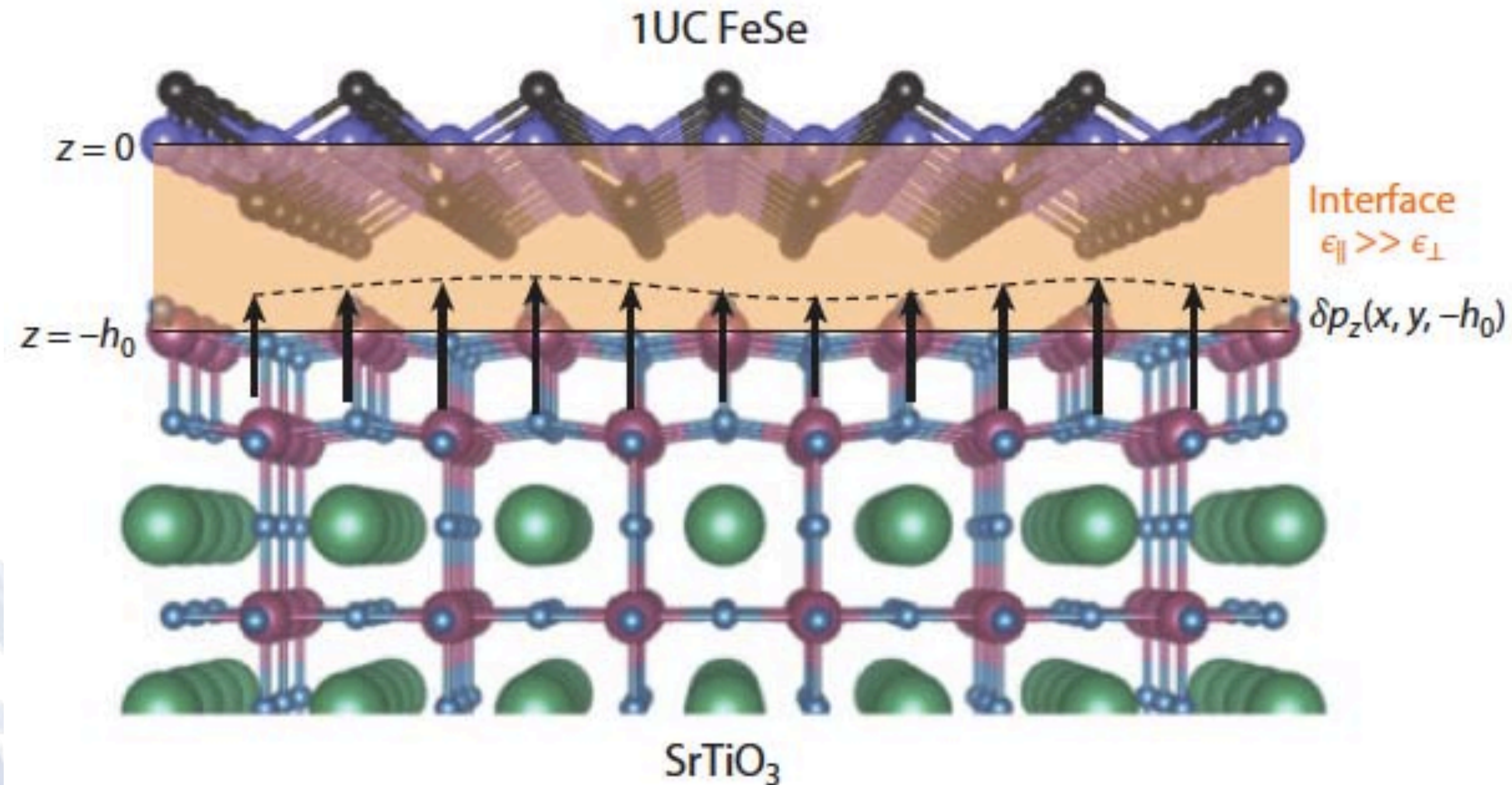


Rademaker et al., New J. Phys. 18, 022001 (2016)

monolayer FeSe/STO: interfacial phonon

bare el-phonon vertex $g(\vec{q}) = g_0 \exp(-|\vec{q}|/q_0)$ *Lee et al., Nature 515, 245 (2014)*

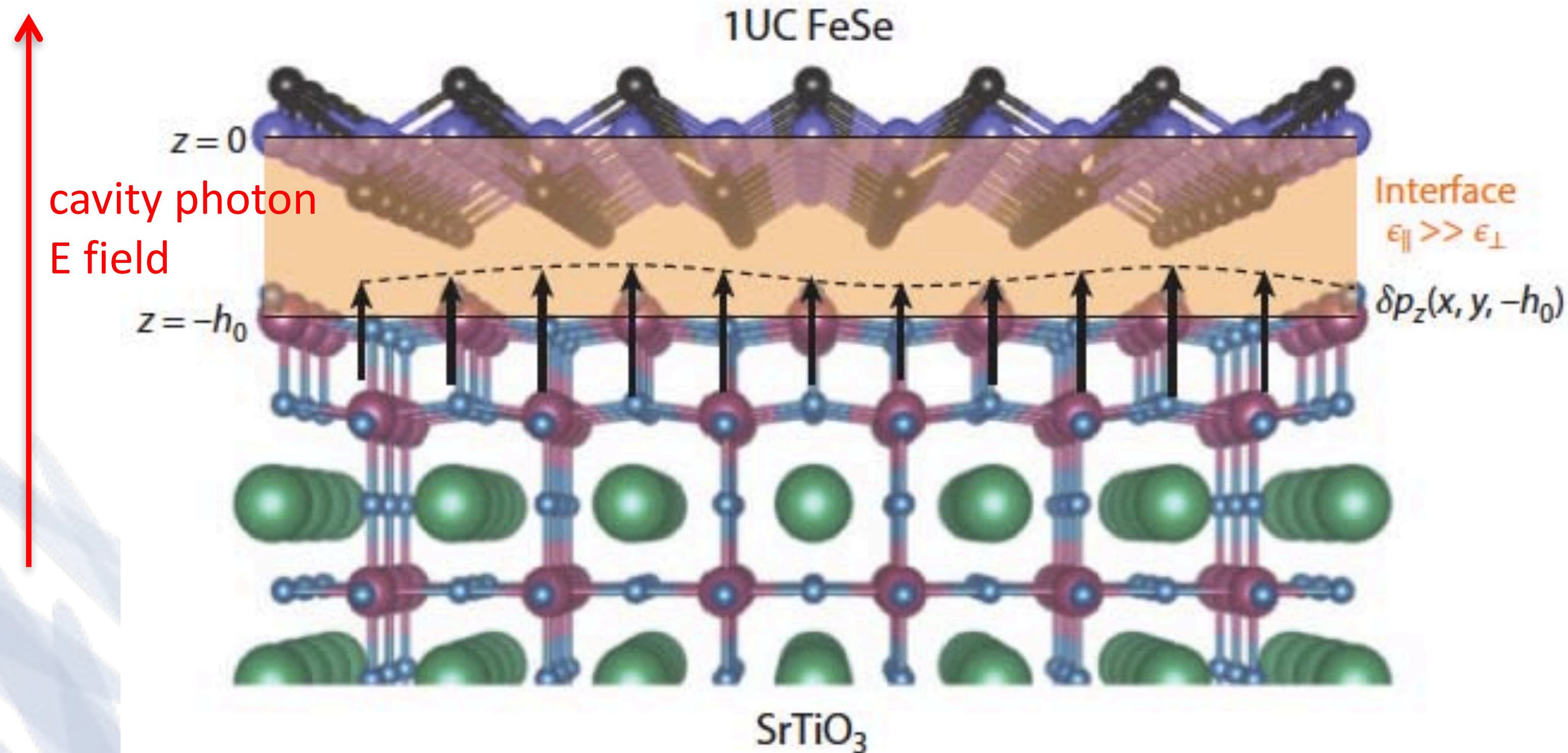
$$q_0^{-1} = h_0 \sqrt{\epsilon_{\parallel}/\epsilon_{\perp}} \quad \epsilon_{\parallel}/\epsilon_{\perp} \approx 100$$



Huang and Hoffman, Annu. Rev. CMP 8, 311 (2017)

Cavity engineering

- idea: use **phonon polaritons** to modify electron-phonon coupling



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$$H = \sum_{\vec{k}, \sigma} \epsilon_{\vec{k}} c_{\vec{k}, \sigma}^\dagger c_{\vec{k}, \sigma} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{\vec{k}, \vec{q}, \sigma, \lambda = \pm} c_{\vec{k} + \vec{q}, \sigma}^\dagger c_{\vec{k}, \sigma} (g_\lambda^*(\vec{q}) \alpha_{-\vec{q}, \lambda}^\dagger + g_\lambda(\vec{q}) \alpha_{\vec{q}, \lambda}) + \sum_{\vec{q}, \lambda = \pm} \omega_\lambda(\vec{q}) \alpha_{\vec{q}, \lambda}^\dagger \alpha_{\vec{q}, \lambda}$$

electrons

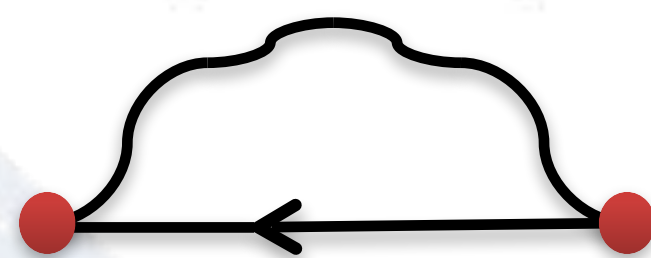
el-polariton coupling

polaritons

bare el-phonon vertex $g(\vec{q}) = g_0 \exp(-|\vec{q}|/q_0) \quad q_0^{-1} = h_0 \sqrt{\epsilon_{\parallel} / \epsilon_{\perp}}$

G-self-consistent Migdal-Eliashberg diagram

$$\hat{\Sigma}(\vec{k}, i\omega_n) = \frac{-1}{N\beta} \sum_{\vec{q}, m, \lambda = \pm} |g_\lambda(\vec{q})|^2 D_\lambda^{(0)}(\vec{q}, i\omega_n - i\omega_m) \hat{\tau}_3 \hat{G}(\vec{k} + \vec{q}, i\omega_m) \hat{\tau}_3$$

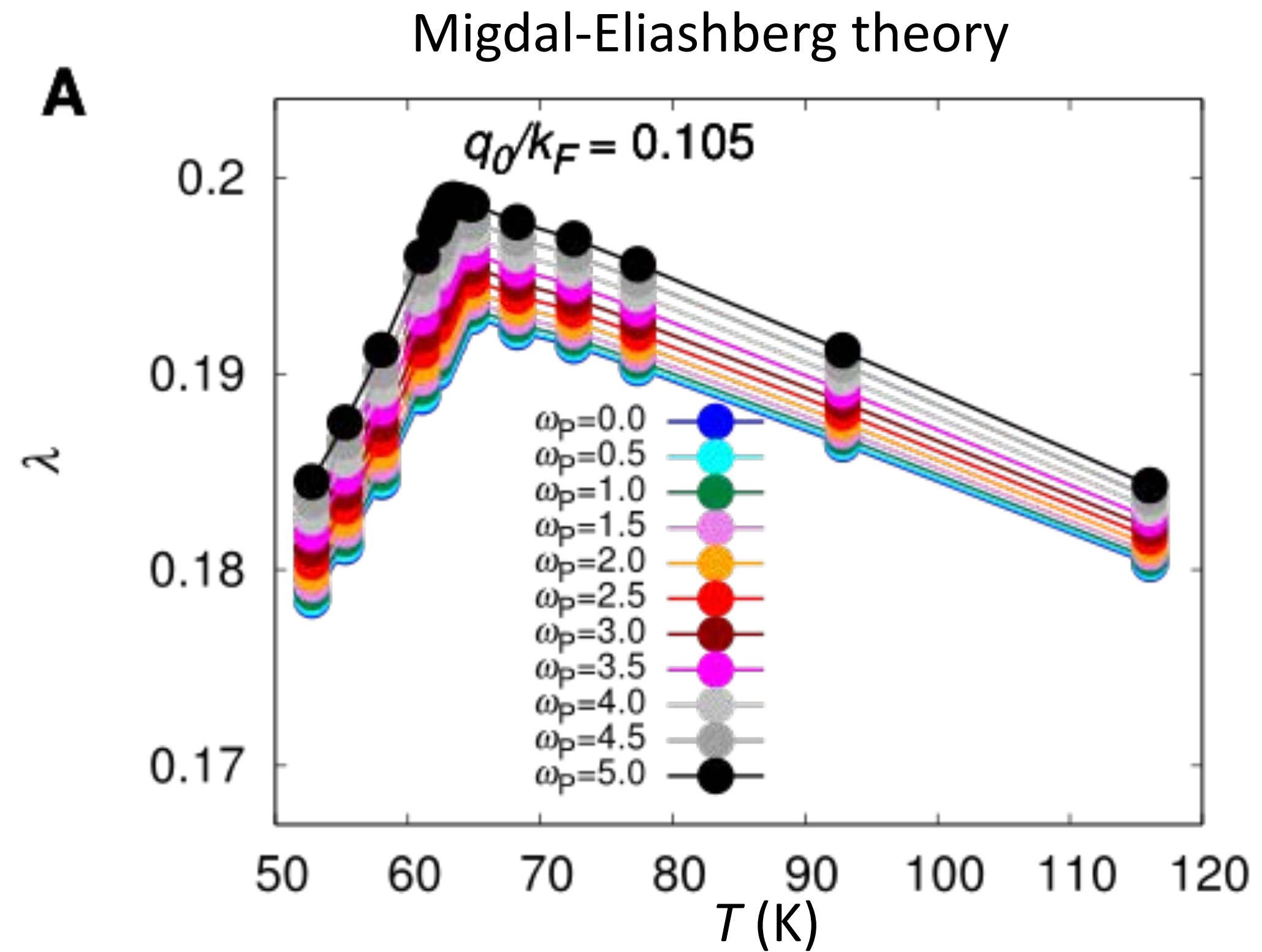
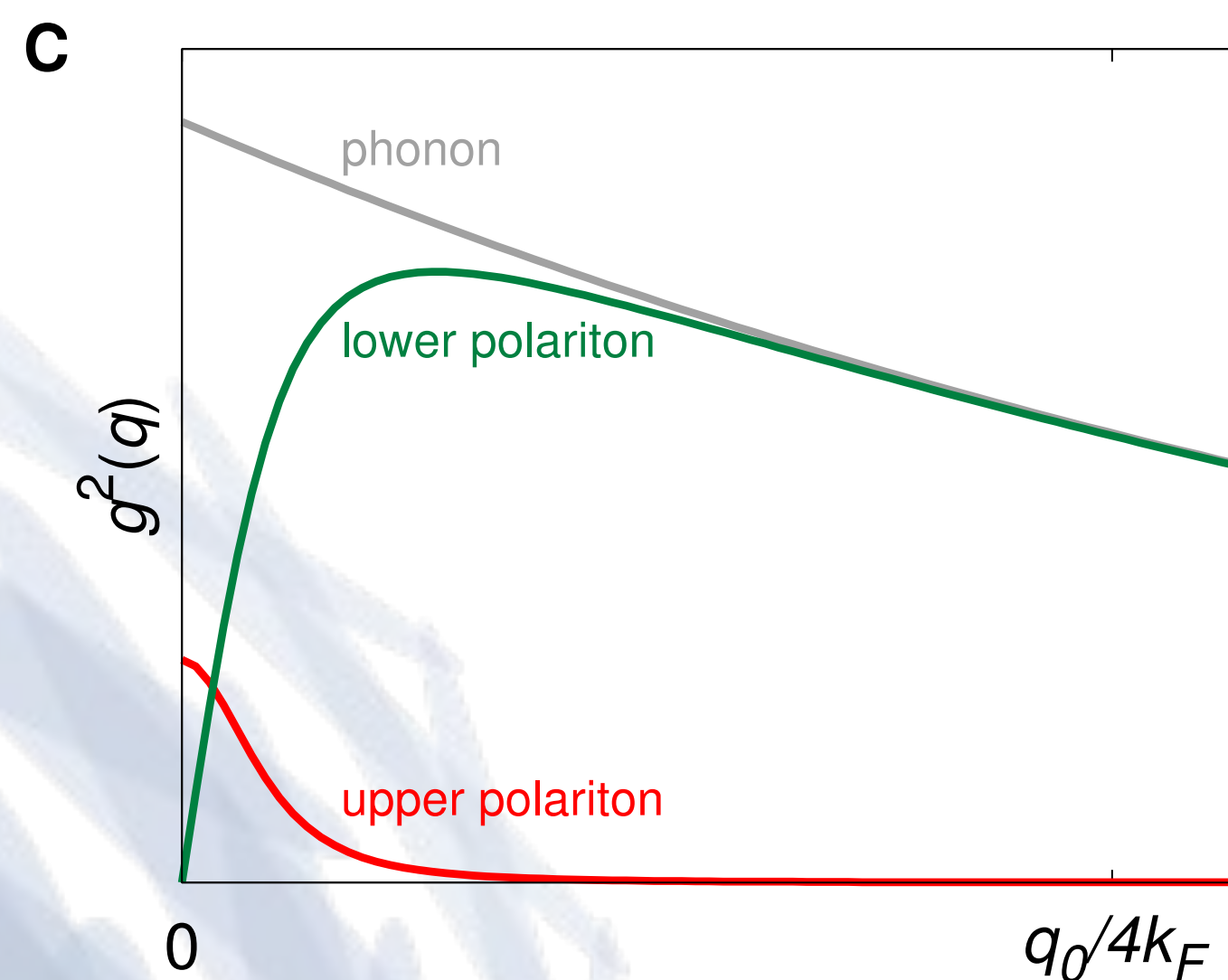
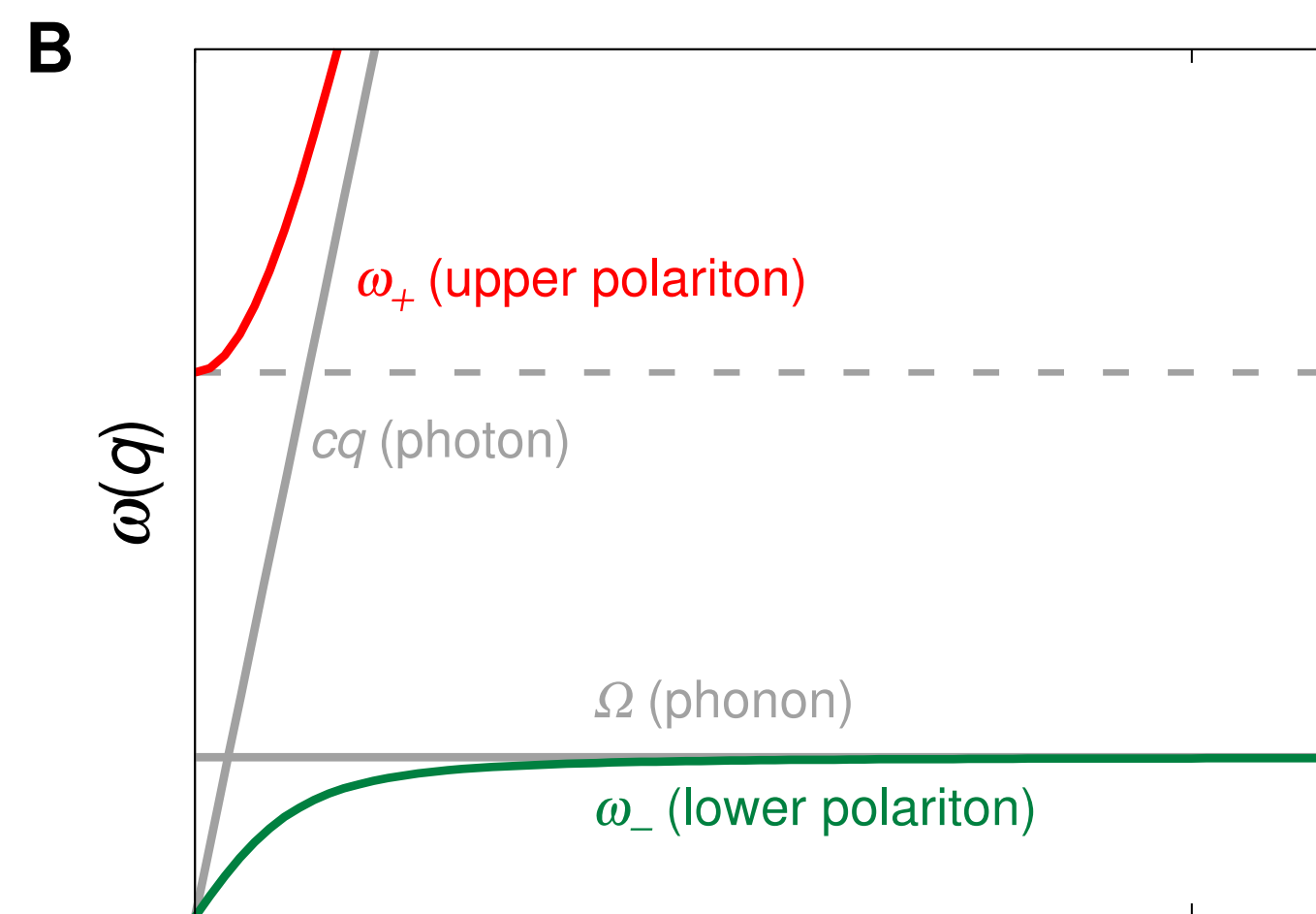


$$\hat{\Sigma}(\vec{k}, i\omega_n) = i\omega_n [1 - Z(\vec{k}, i\omega_n)] \hat{\tau}_0 + \chi(\vec{k}, i\omega_n) \hat{\tau}_3 + \phi(\vec{k}, i\omega_n) \hat{\tau}_1$$

$$\lambda \equiv Z(\vec{k}_F, i\pi/\beta) - 1$$

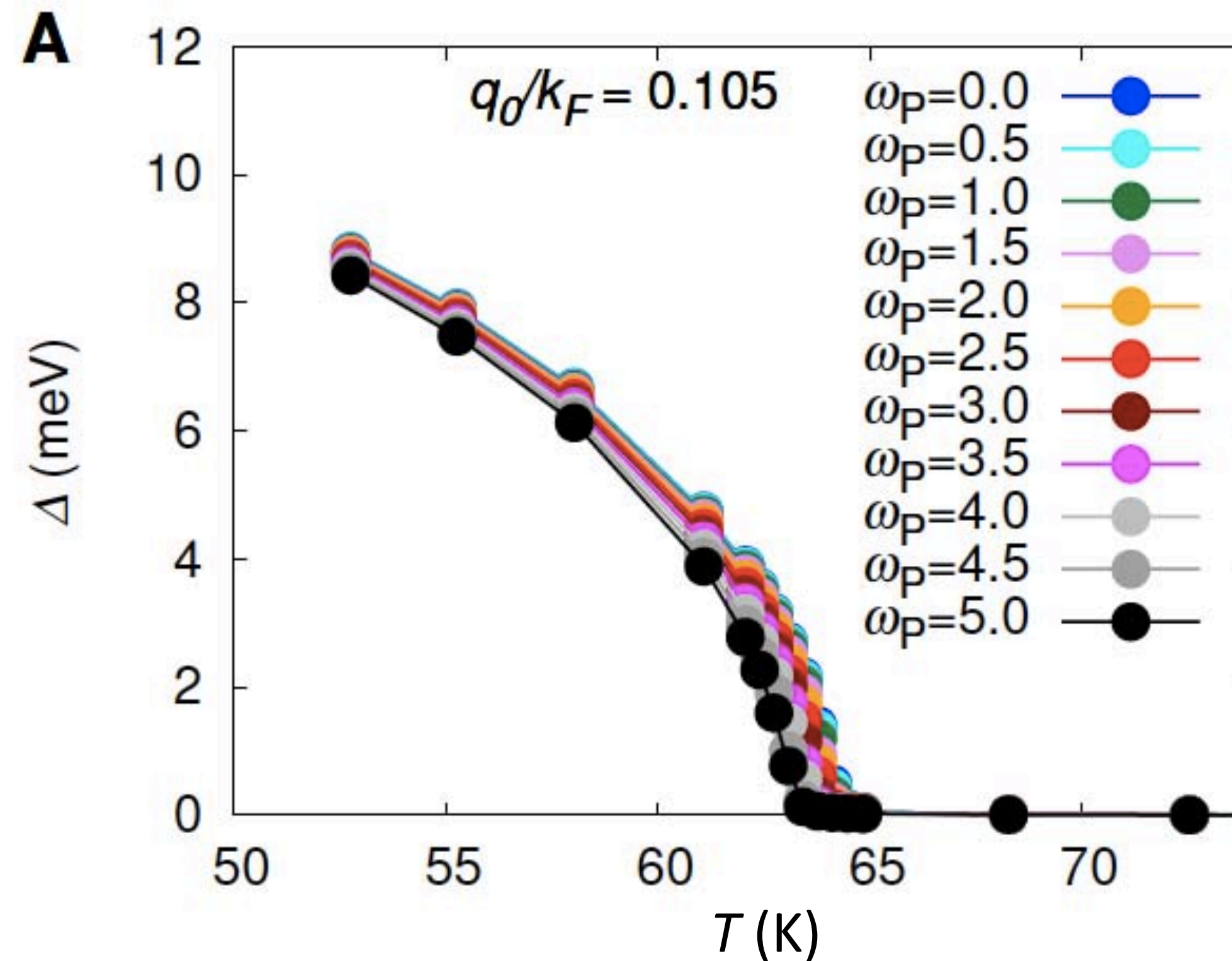
Mass enhancement: $m^*/m = 1 + \lambda$

Cavity materials: Phonon polaritons



enhanced electron-phonon coupling,
controlled by cavity volume

Cavity superconductivity?



suppressed superconductivity despite enhanced el-ph coupling

reason for suppression: forward scattering

$$T_C \approx \frac{\lambda\Omega}{2 + 3\lambda}$$

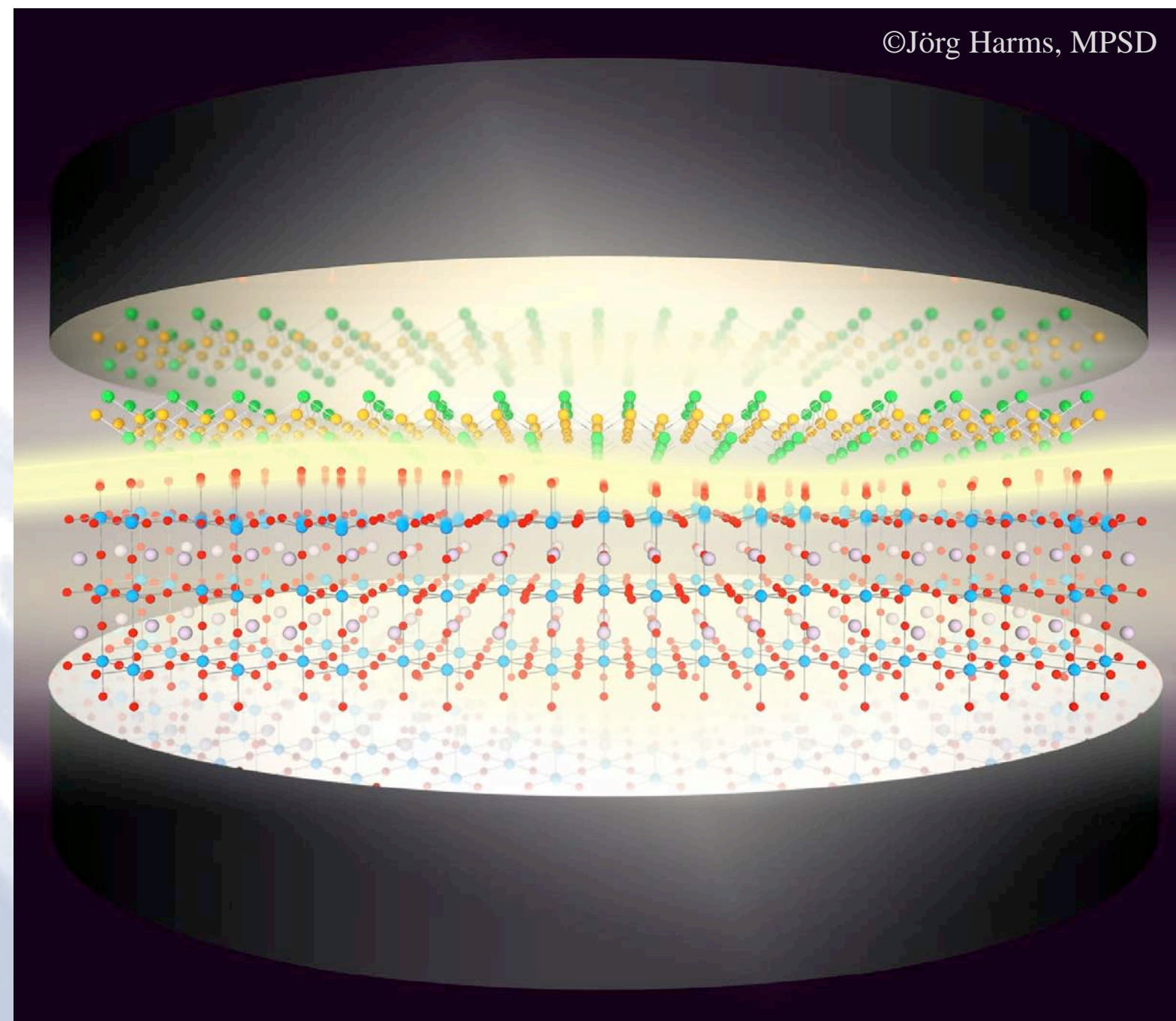
vs. $T_{C,BCS} \approx 1.13\Omega \exp(-\frac{1}{\lambda})$
q-independent scattering

Cavity-modified superconductivity

- cavity leads to **enhanced electron-phonon coupling**
- FeSe/STO: works in conjunction with other pairing mechanisms
- can one also enhance superconductivity?

M. A. Sentef, M. Ruggenthaler, A. Rubio, arXiv:1802.09437

Science Advances 4, eaau6969 (2018)

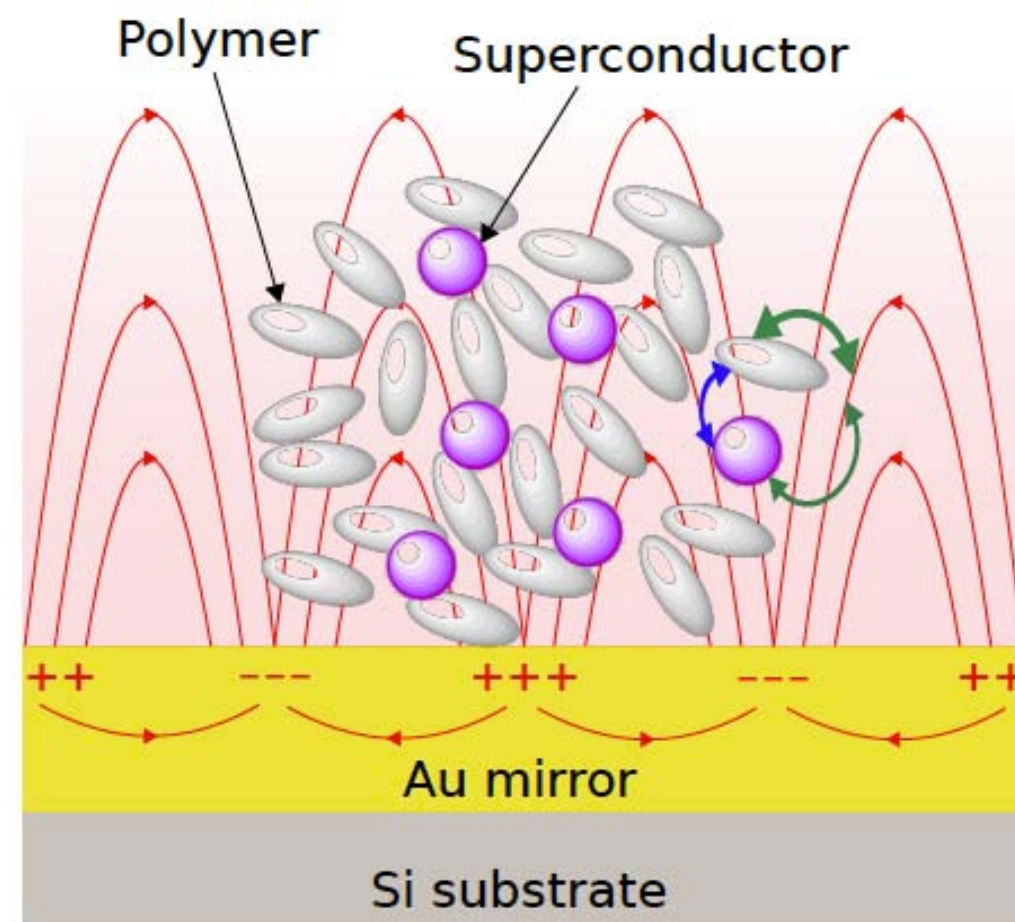


The jury is still out ...

Exploring Superconductivity under Strong Coupling with the Vacuum Electromagnetic Field arXiv:1911.01459

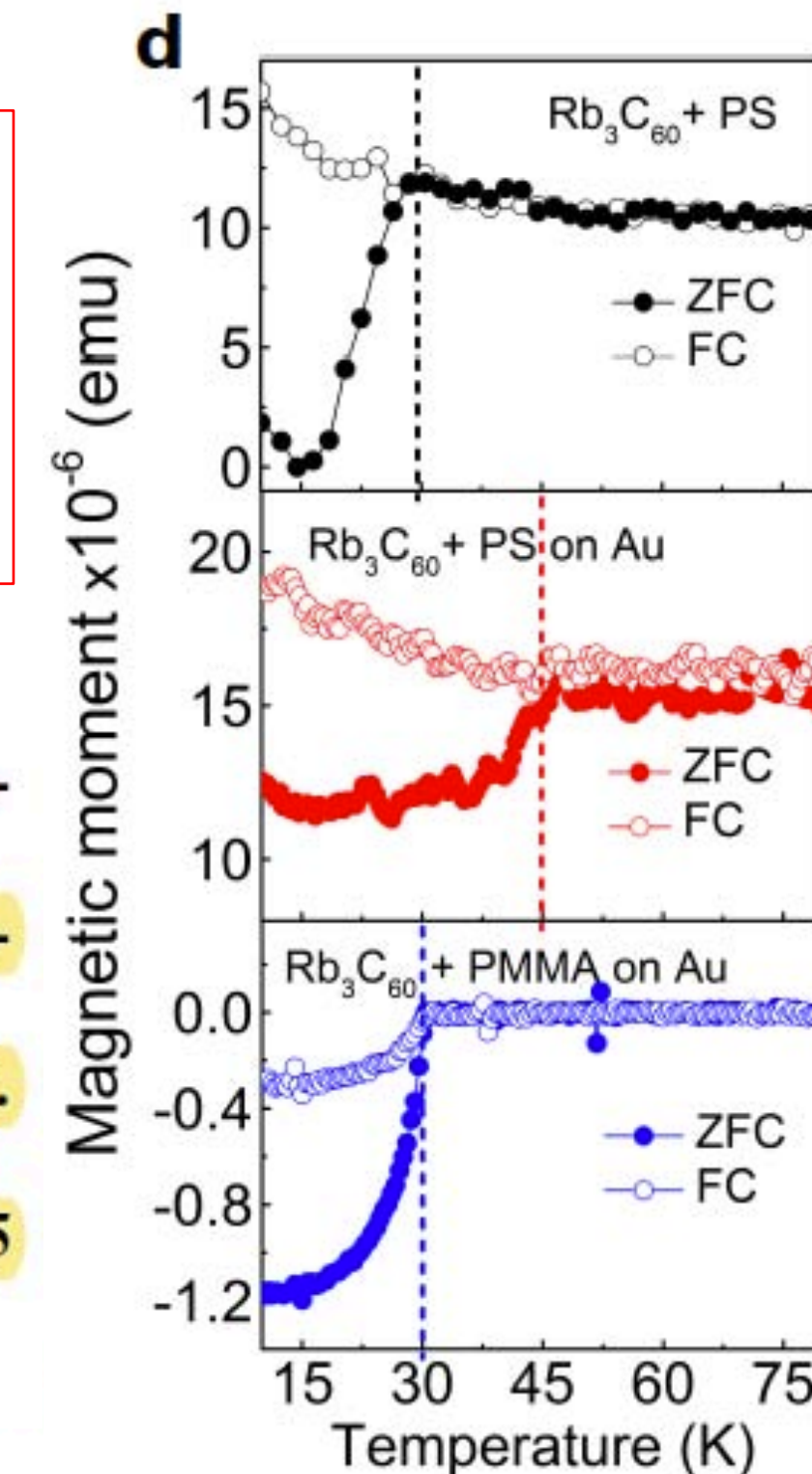
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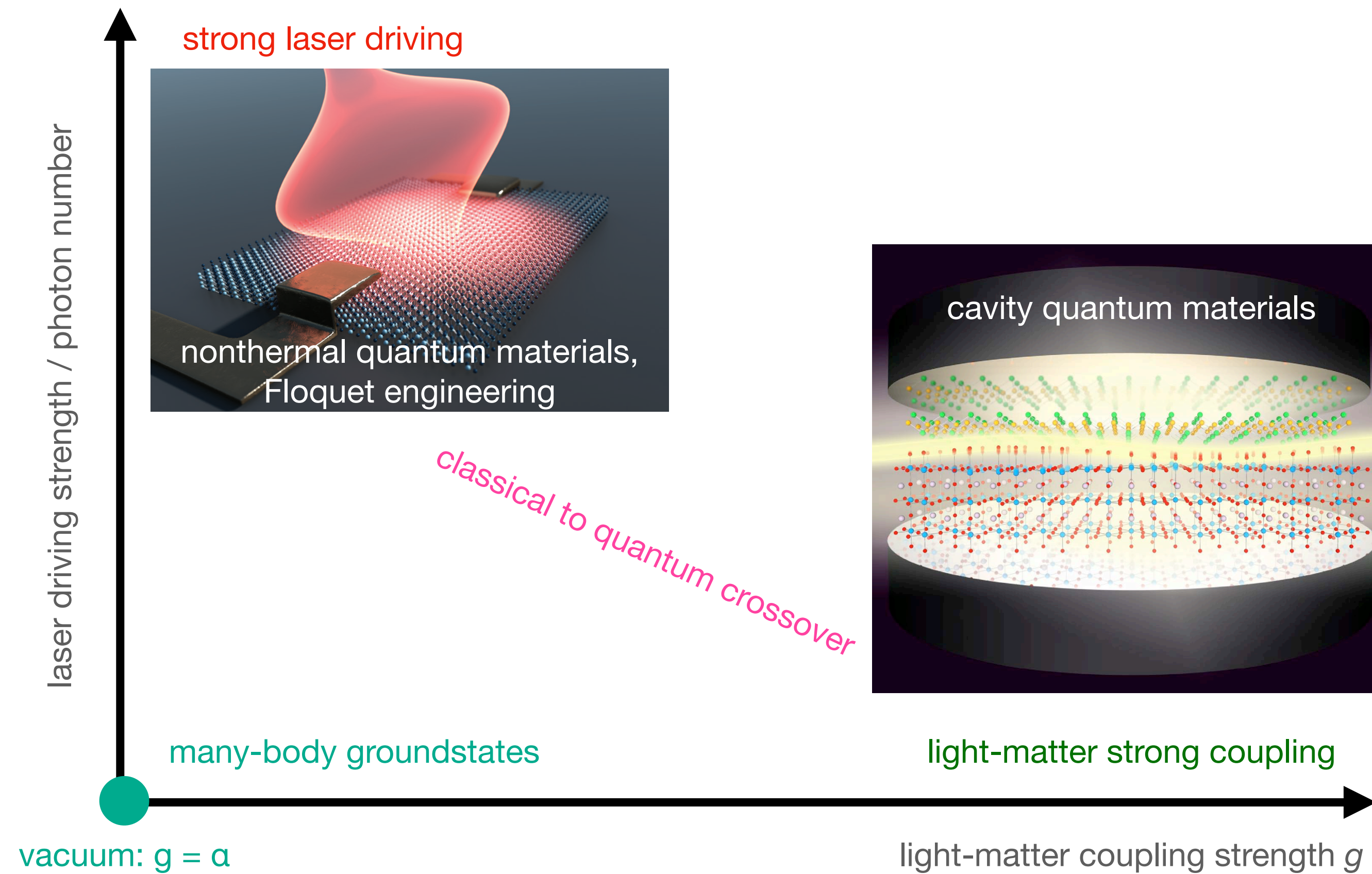


... consistent with enhanced electron-phonon coupling due to polariton formation and mode softening

By placing the superconductor-surface plasmon system in a SQUID magnetometer, we find that the superconducting transition temperatures (T_c) for both compounds are modified in the absence of any external laser field. For YBCO, T_c decreases from 92 K to 86 K while for Rb_3C_{60} , it increases from 30 K to 45 K at normal pressures.



Can we employ light-matter interactions to change materials properties?

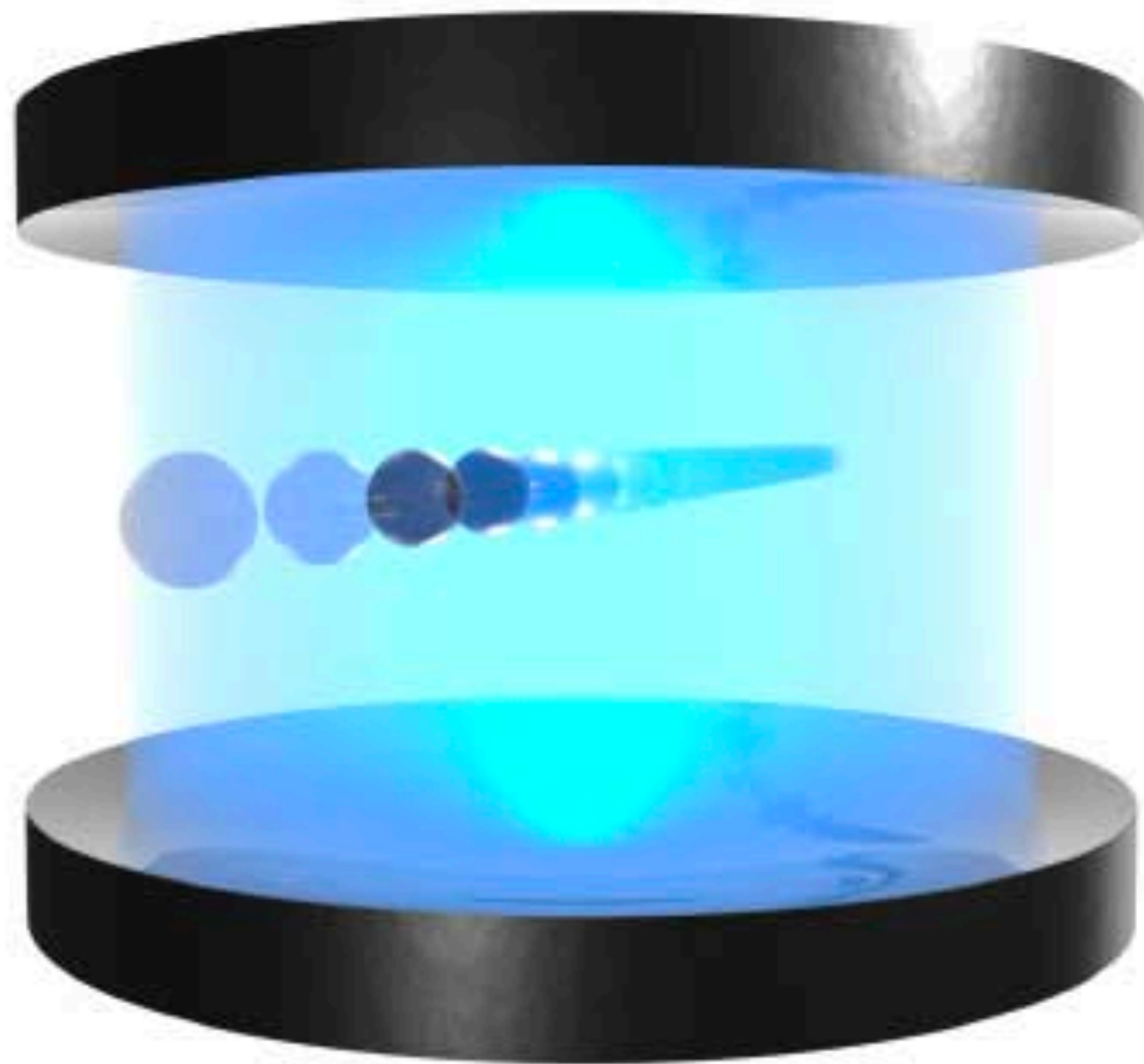


Quantum to classical crossover

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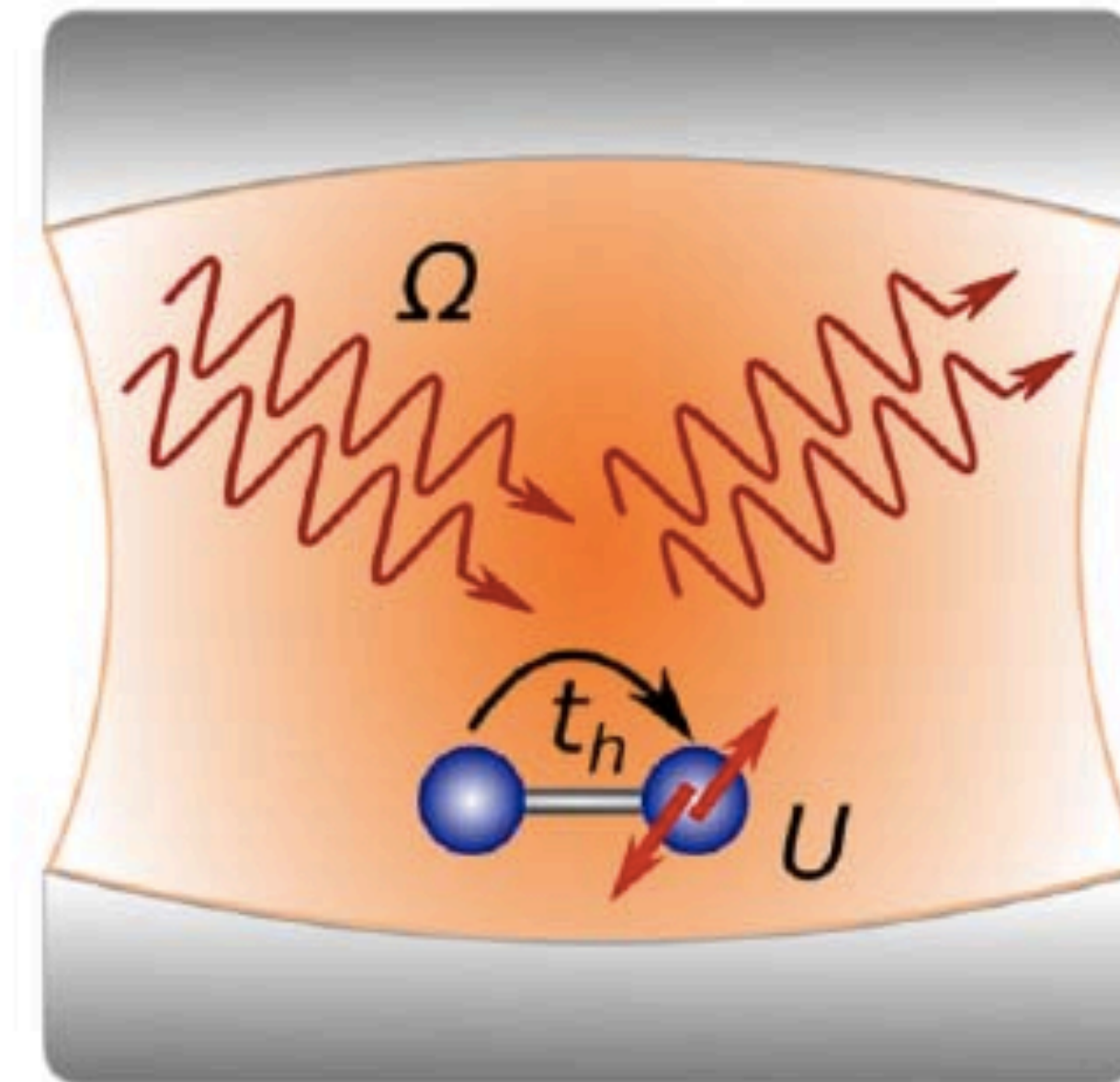
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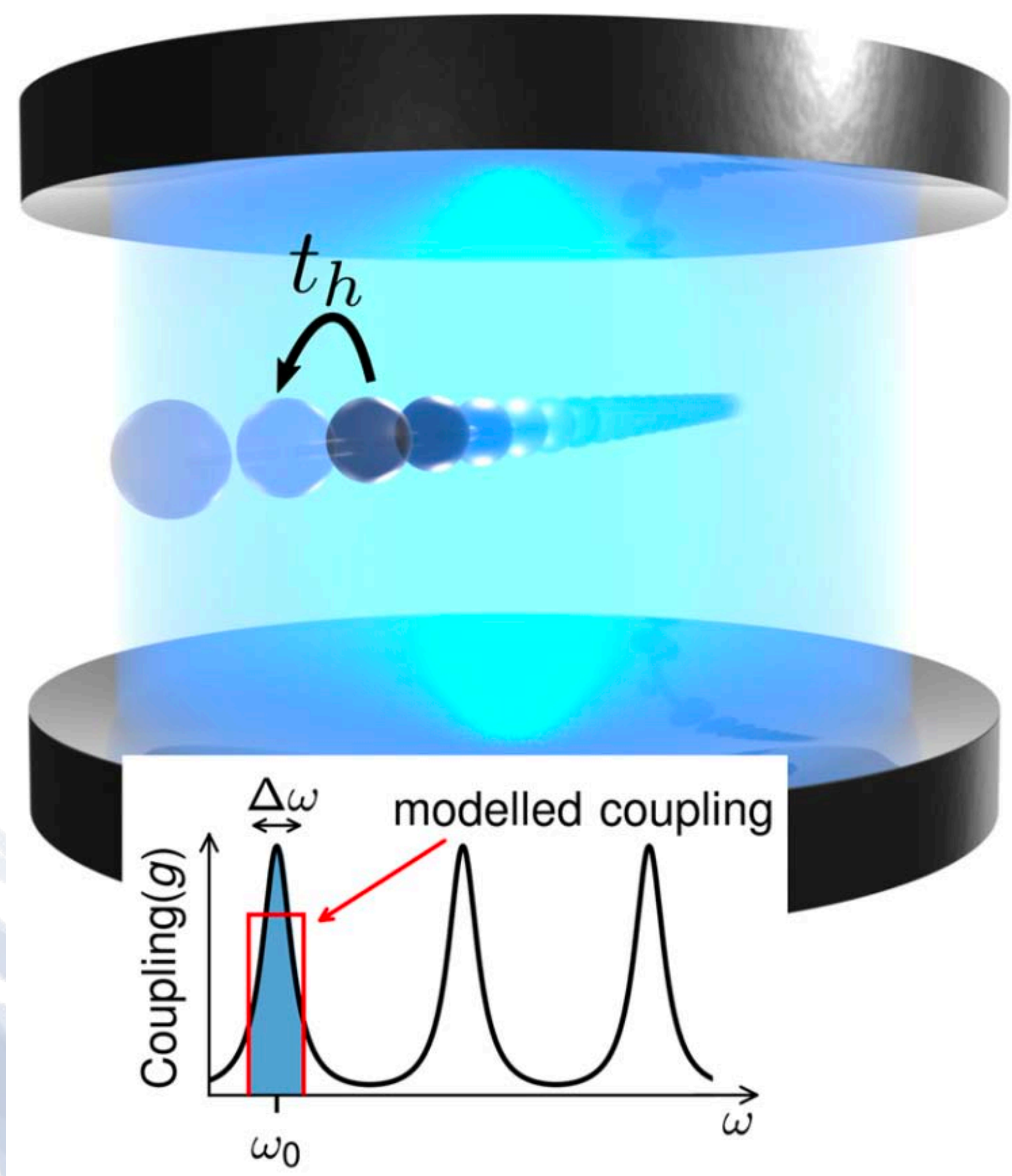
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Quantum chain in cavity

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$$H = \omega_0 \left(a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2} \right) - \sum_{j=1}^L \left[t_h e^{-i \frac{g}{\sqrt{L}} (a^\dagger + a)} c_{j+1}^\dagger c_j + \text{h.c.} \right]$$

$$H = \cos \left(\frac{g}{\sqrt{L}} (a + a^\dagger) \right) \mathcal{T} + \sin \left(\frac{g}{\sqrt{L}} (a + a^\dagger) \right) \mathcal{J} + \omega_0 \left(a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

kinetic energy $\mathcal{T} := \sum_k -2t_h \cos(k) c_k^\dagger c_k =: \sum_k \varepsilon_k c_k^\dagger c_k$

current $\mathcal{J} := \sum_k 2t_h \sin(k) c_k^\dagger c_k =: \sum_k v_k c_k^\dagger c_k,$

$$\rho_k = c_k^\dagger c_k \quad [\rho_k, H] = 0 \quad \text{for all } k \in \text{BZ}$$

macroscopic # of constants of motion!

(also cf. Li, Golez, Mazza, Millis, Georges, Eckstein PRB 2020)

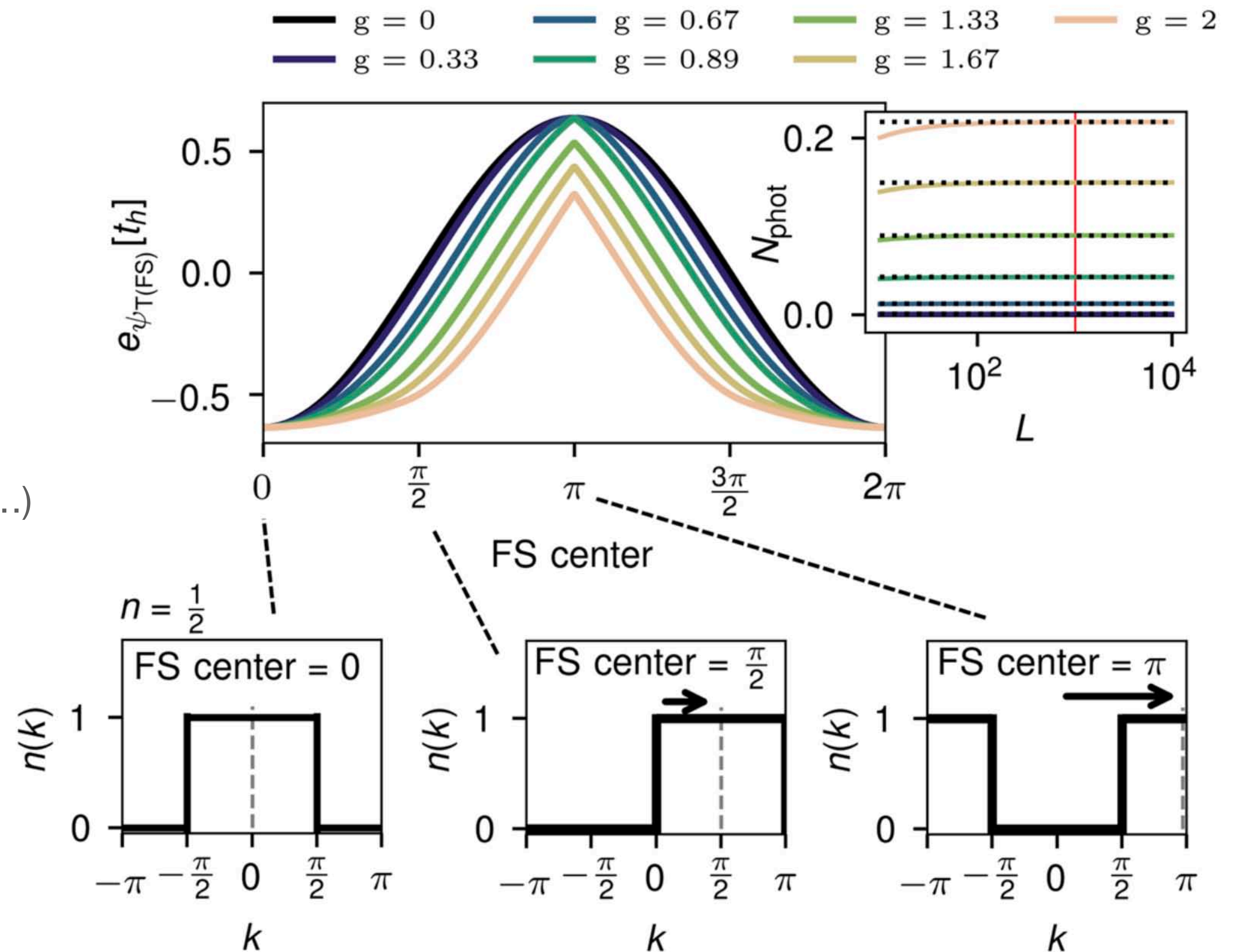
Quantum chain in cavity

Variational search for exact cavity-chain coupled groundstate:

Fermi sea around $k=0$

electronic wave function unchanged

(but we will see that excitation spectrum is different...)



Quantum chain in cavity

Groundstate

$$H = \tilde{\omega}(a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2}) + T + \frac{1}{24} \frac{g^4 \tilde{\omega}^2}{L^2 \omega_0^2} (a^\dagger + a)^4 T + \dots ; \quad \tilde{\omega} = \omega_0 \sqrt{1 - 2 \frac{g^2}{\omega_0 L} T}$$

$$|\Phi\rangle = e^{-S^{\text{sq}}} |0\rangle ; \quad S^{\text{sq}} = \frac{1}{2} \zeta ((a^\dagger)^2 - a^2)$$

$$\zeta = \frac{1}{4} \ln(1 - 2 \frac{g^2}{L \omega_0} T)$$

Prediction of Vacuum squeezed state (different model):

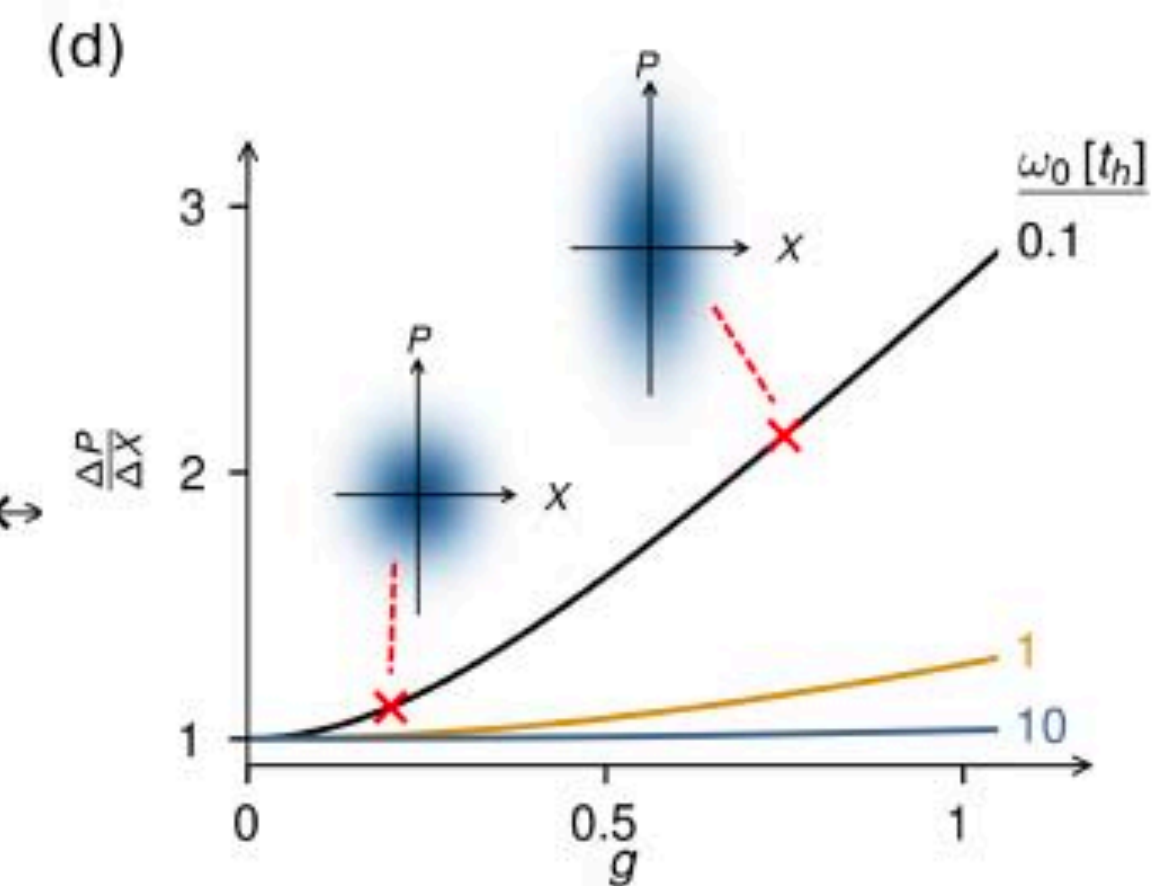
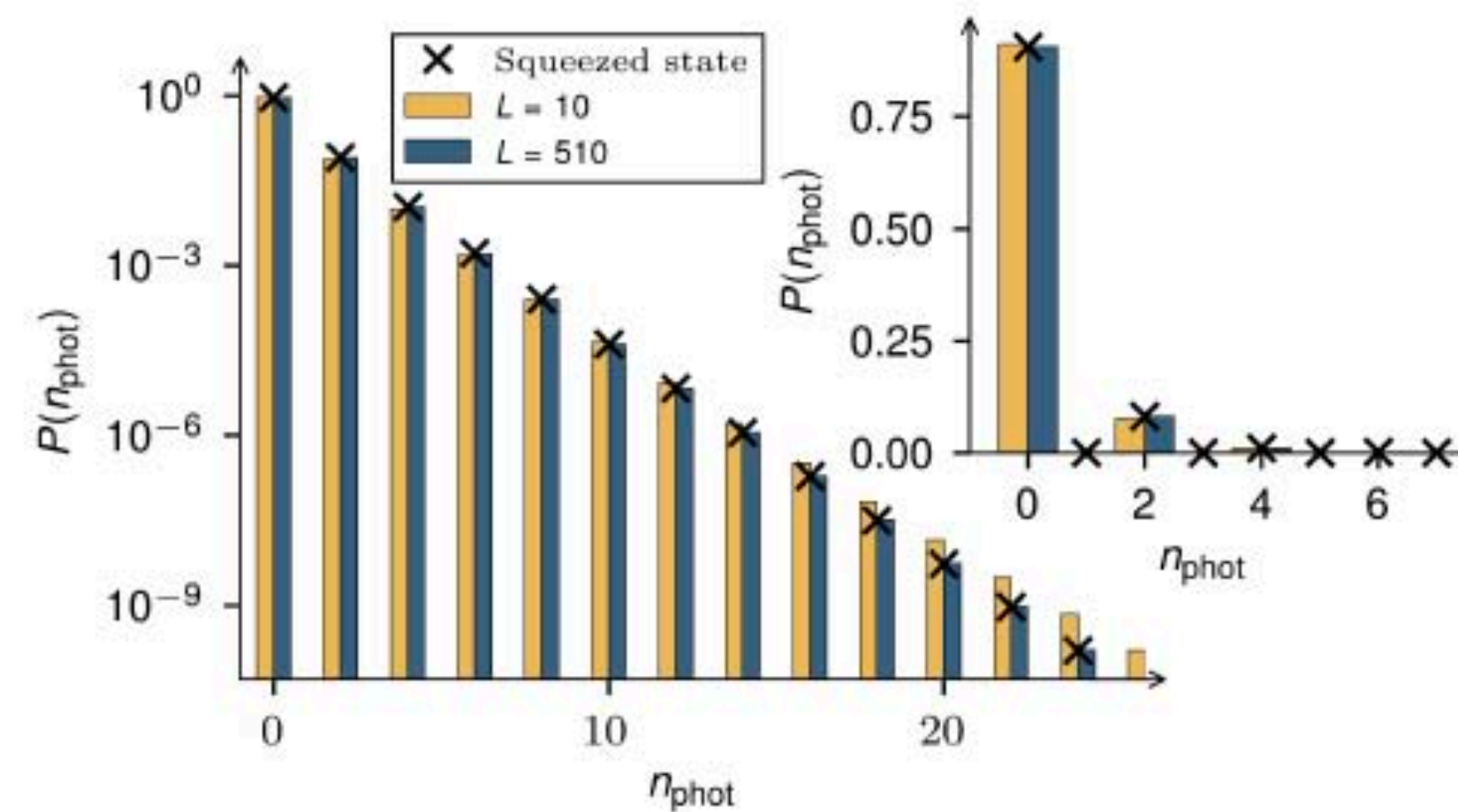
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Direct sampling of vacuum fluctuations

Benea-Chelms, I.-C., Settembrini, F. F., Scaliari, G., Faist, J., Nature (2019)

C. Riek, D. V. Seletskiy, A. S. Moskalenko, J. F. Schmidt, P. Krauspe, S. Eckart, S. Eggert, G. Burkard, A. Leitenstorfer, Science (2015)

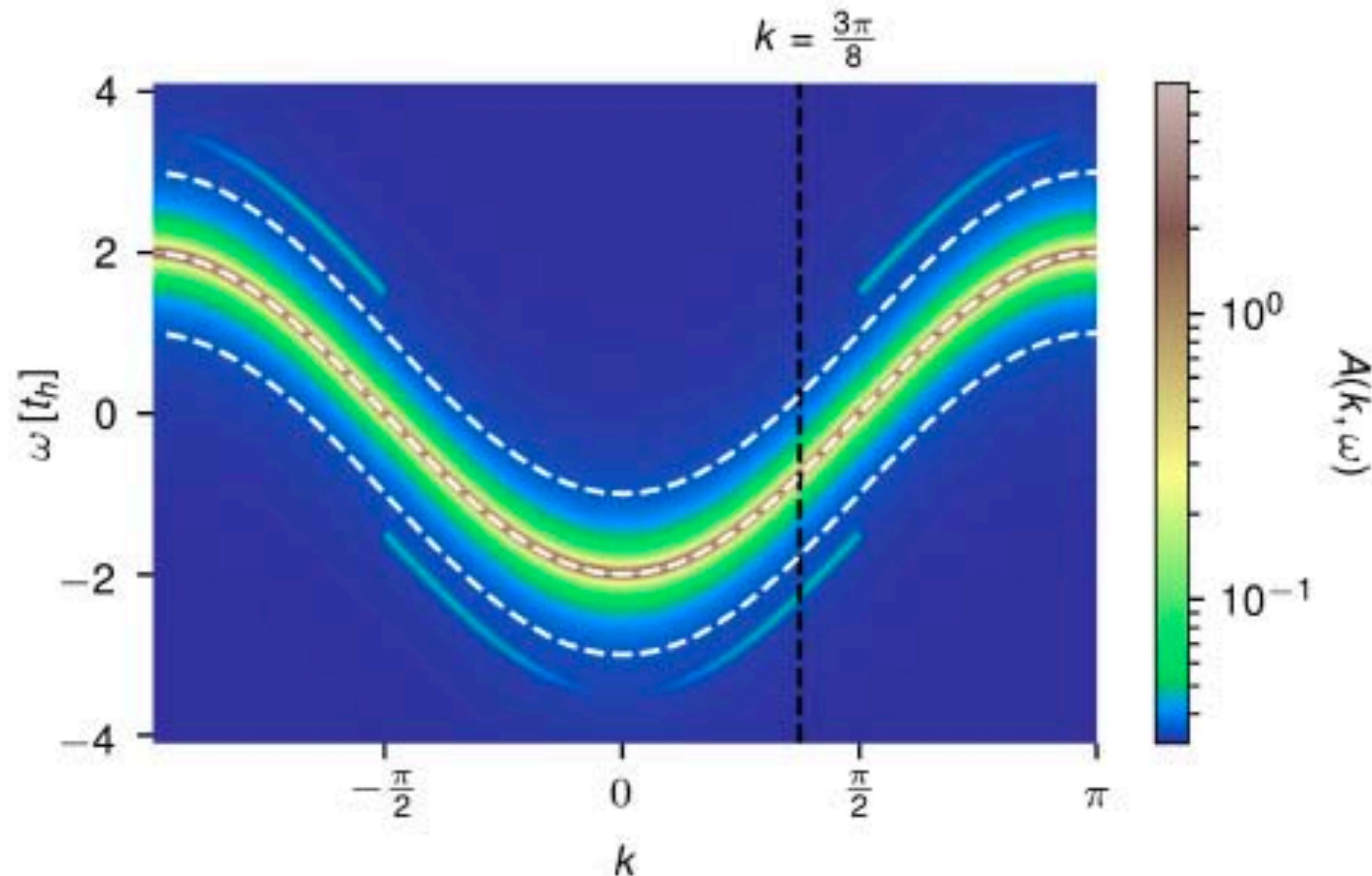
Squeezed state of cavity mode
Degree of squeezing controlled through strength of light-matter coupling



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Electronic spectral function in cavity is changed (despite GS being unshifted Fermi sea)
 -> photon shakeoff states (Franck-Condon like)
 -> precursor of „Floquet sidebands“?

**Q: Which other models do we know where the groundstate (of a subsystem) is unchanged but excitation spectrum is changed?
 Is it interesting?**

$$A(k, \omega) = 2\pi\delta(\omega - \varepsilon_k) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{L}\right) = 2\pi n_k e^{-\lambda} \sum_{\ell} \frac{\lambda^{\ell}}{\ell!} \delta\left(\omega - \varepsilon_k \left(1 - \frac{g^2 \omega_0}{2L \tilde{\omega}}\right) - \Sigma_k + \tilde{\omega} \ell\right) + 2\pi(1 - n_k) e^{-\lambda} \sum_{\ell} \frac{\lambda^{\ell}}{\ell!} \delta\left(\omega - \varepsilon_k \left(1 - \frac{g^2 \omega_0}{2L \tilde{\omega}}\right) - \Sigma_k + \tilde{\omega} \ell\right)$$

generalization of textbook result (Poisson dist., „Franck-Condon ladder“, cf. Mahan book)

Quantum chain in cavity

Quantum to Classical Crossover

Prepare the cavity in a coherent state

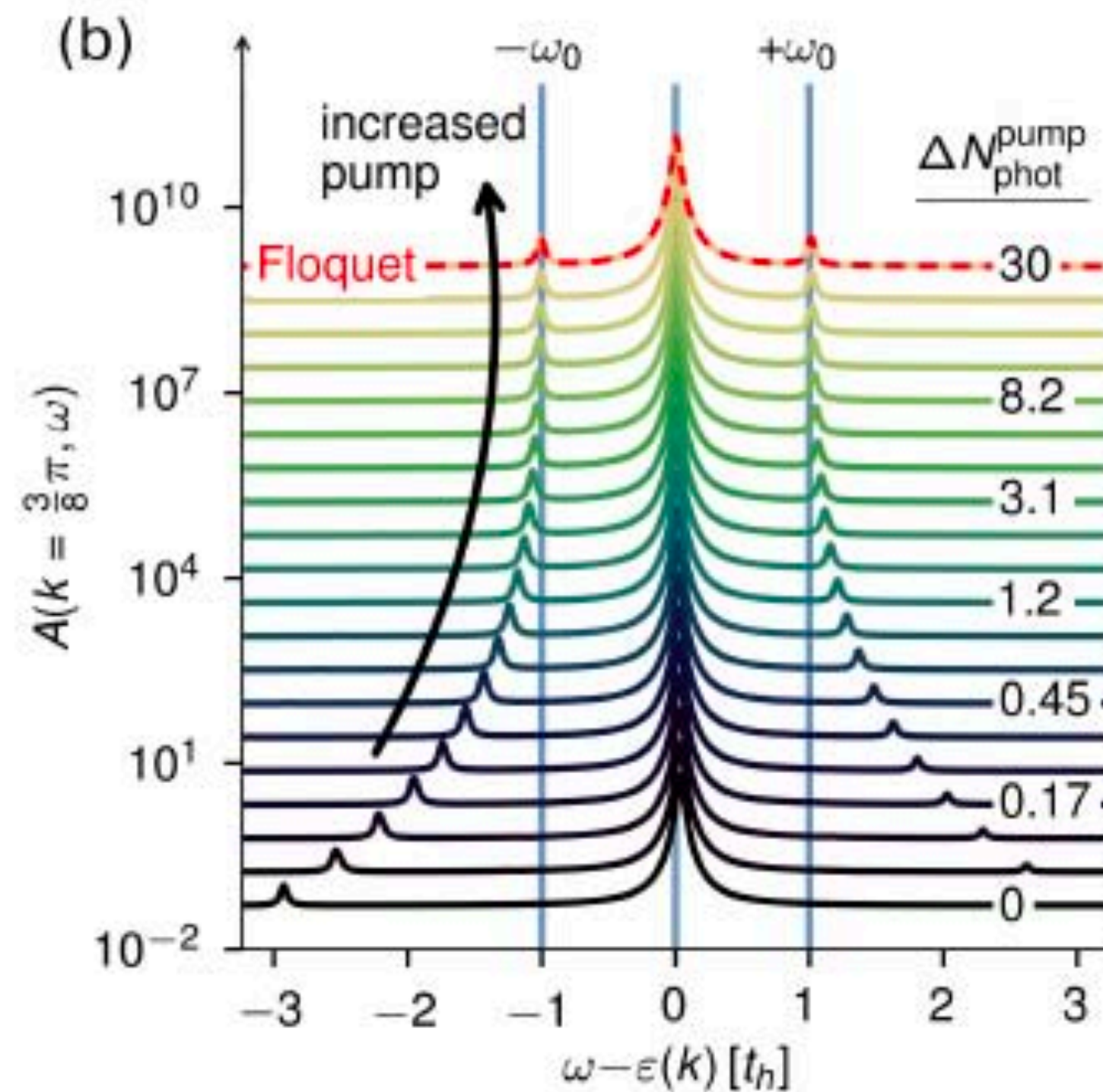
$$|\psi\rangle = |e_{GS}^-\rangle \otimes |\text{coh}(N)\rangle$$

TD Limit:

$$L \rightarrow \infty, A \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{L}}$$

Quantum to Classical:

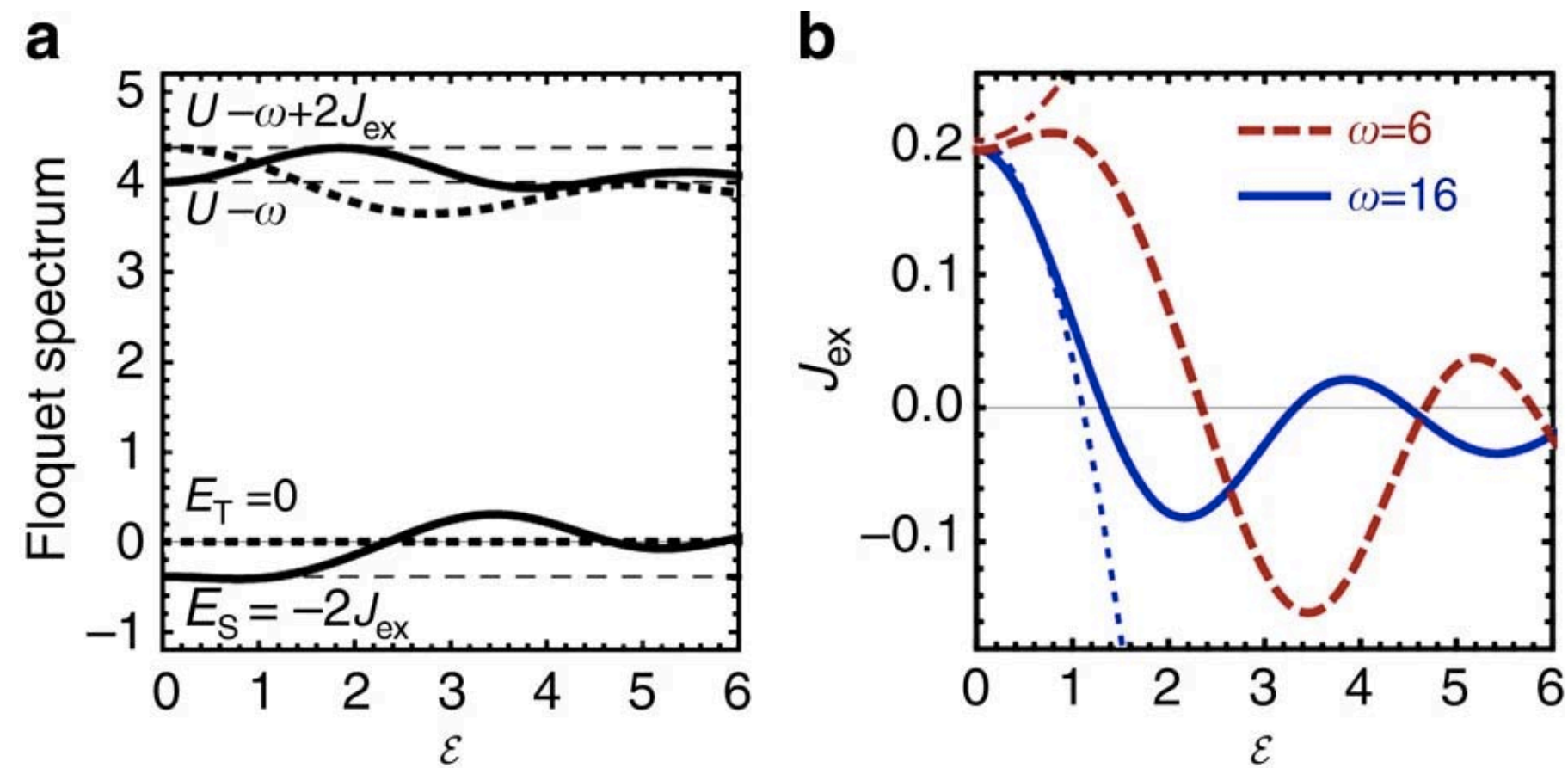
$$N_{pt} \rightarrow \infty, A \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_{pt}}}$$



Floquet engineering of quantum materials: interactions?

Floquet engineering of spin exchange

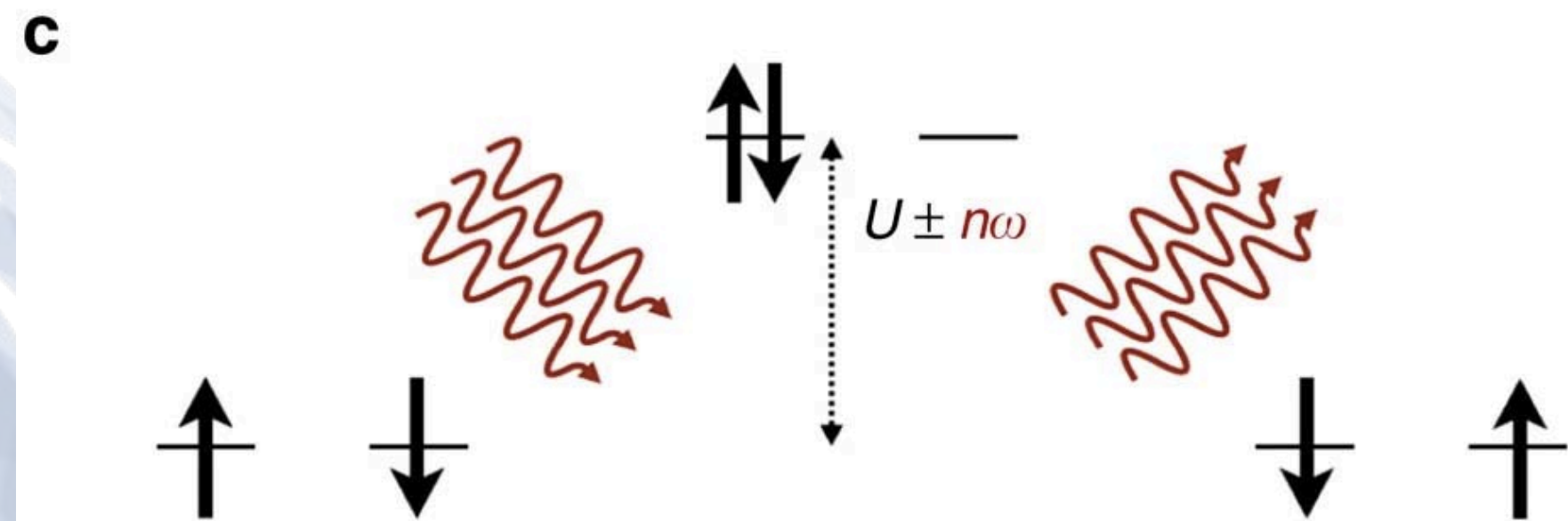
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Photon dressing of intermediate states modifies kinetic exchange

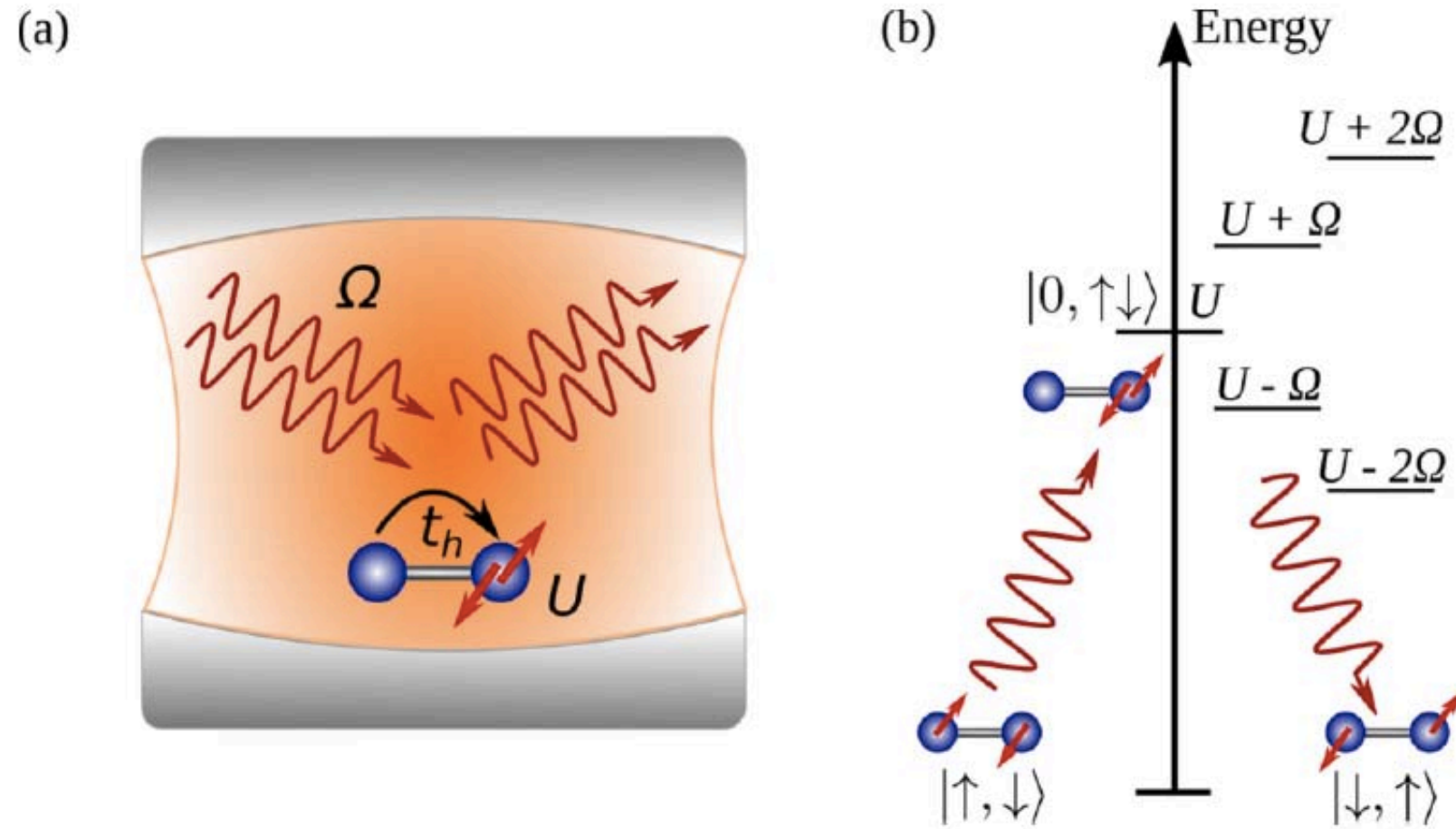
But: need for strong lasers, problems with heating, short-lived effect

Question: can we control spin exchange with cavities?
 Answer: yes, if we replace strong fields by strong light-matter coupling



Cavity engineering of spin exchange

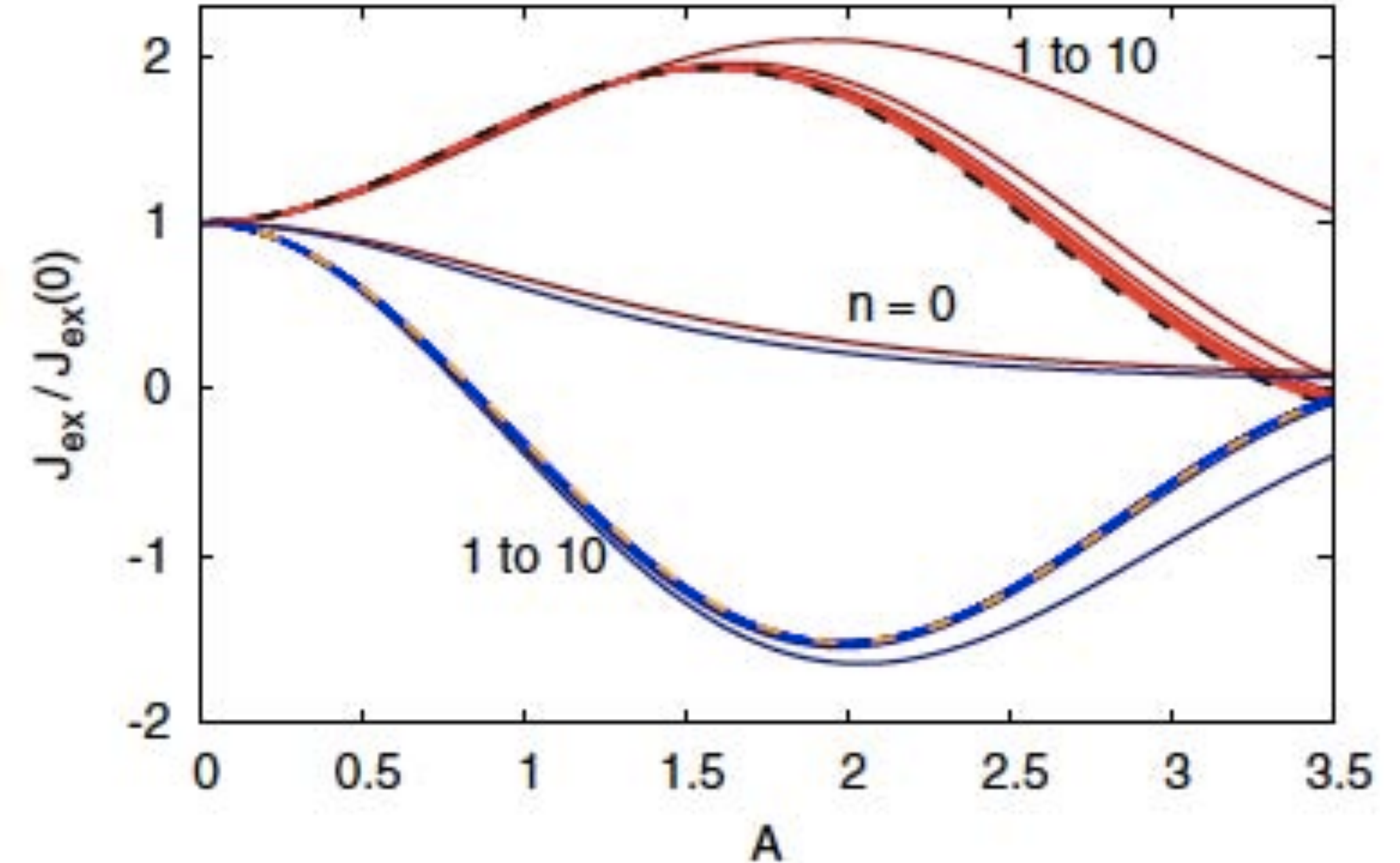
Hubbard model in cavity



$$\hat{H} = t_h \sum_{j\sigma} (\hat{c}_{j,\sigma}^\dagger \hat{c}_{j+1,\sigma} e^{i\hat{A}} + \text{H.c.}) + U \sum_j \hat{n}_{j,\uparrow} \hat{n}_{j,\downarrow} + \Omega \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a}.$$

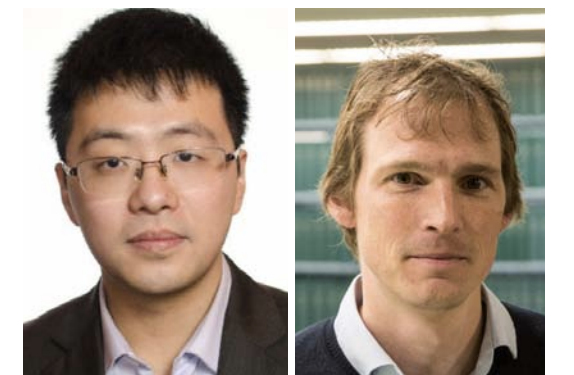
$$\hat{A} = g(\hat{a} + \hat{a}^\dagger)$$

A : effective vector potential
 g : light-matter coupling strength



Quantum \rightarrow classical Floquet for $n \rightarrow \infty$, $g\sqrt{n}$ fixed.
 (large photon number, weak light-matter coupling strength g)

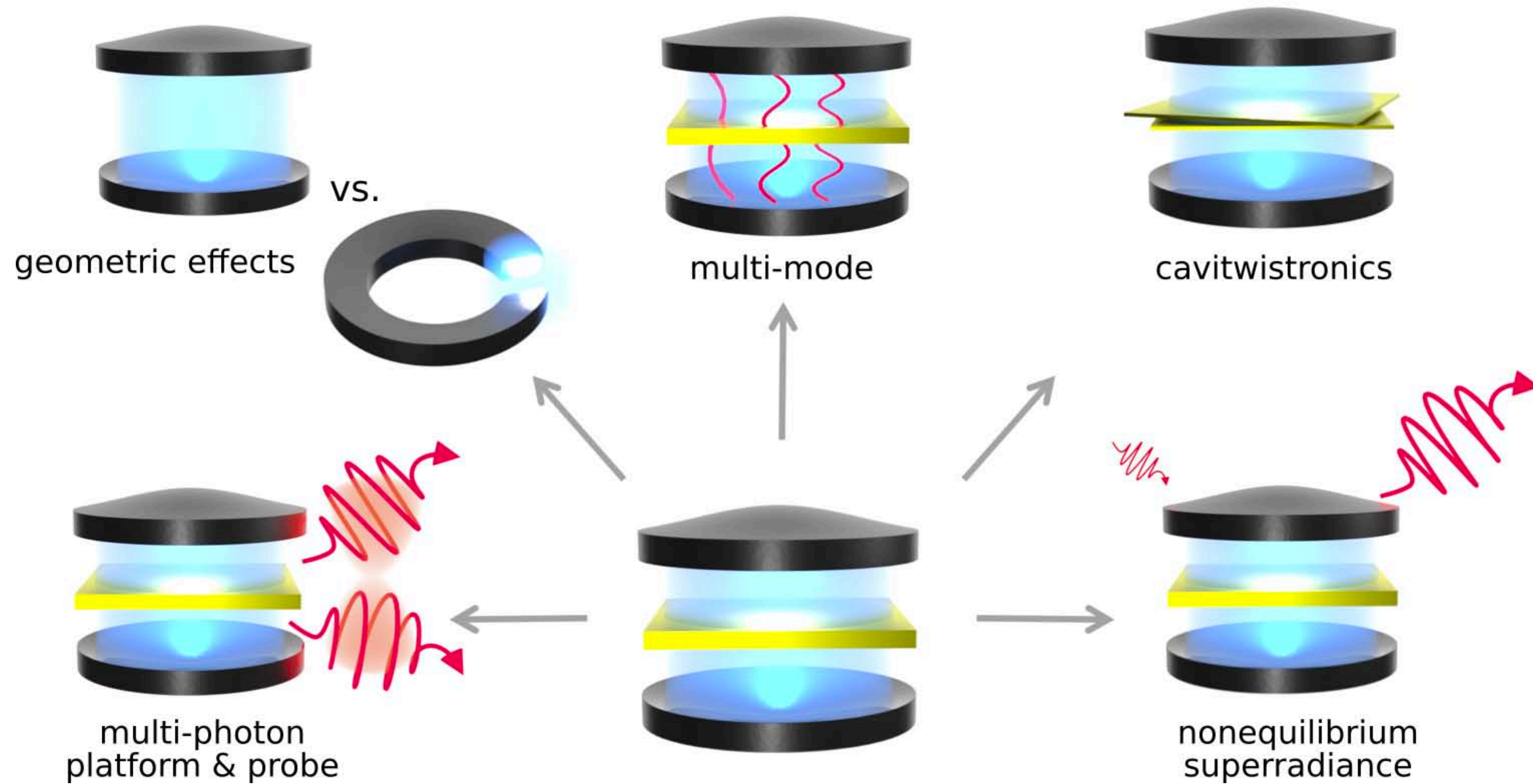
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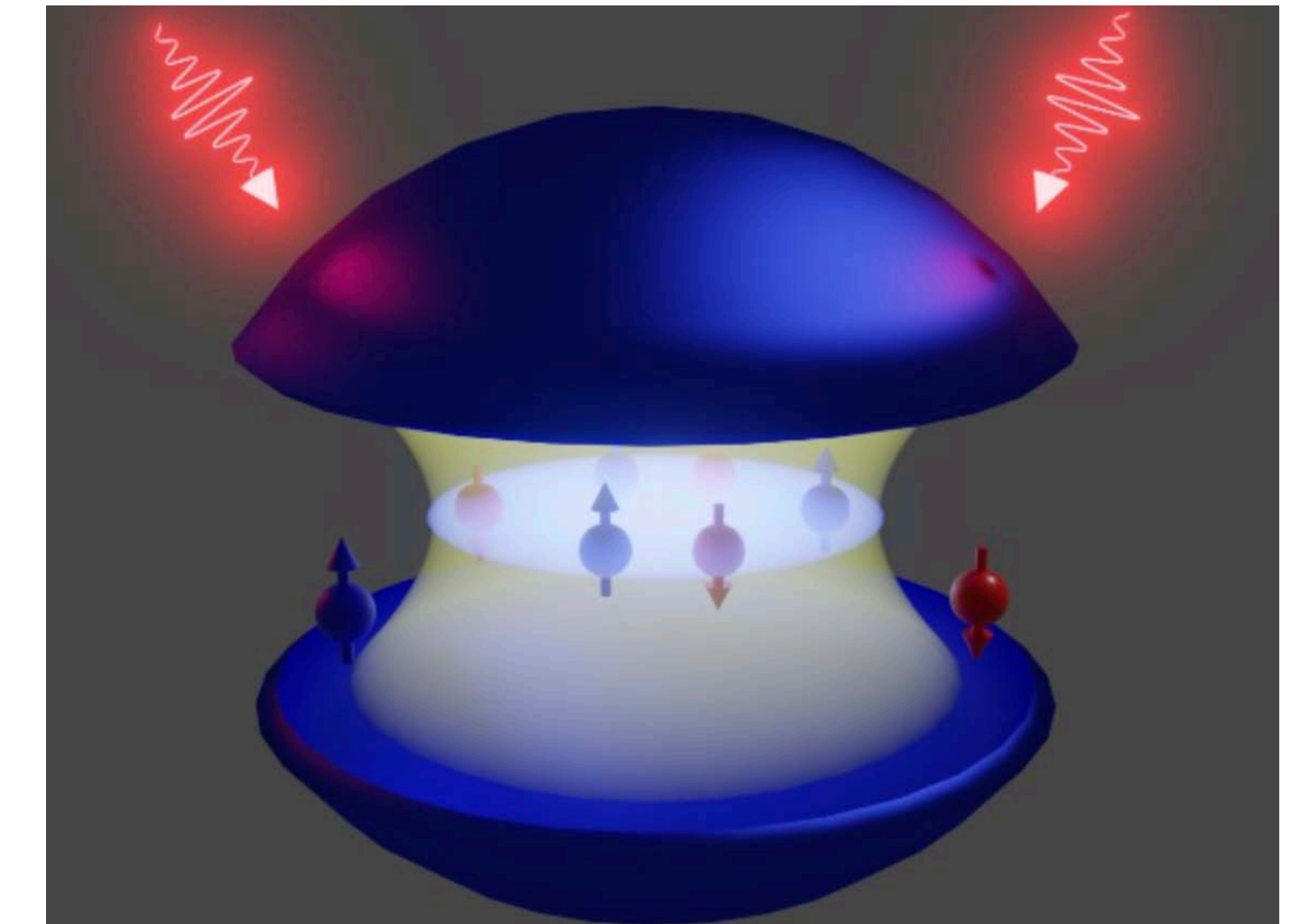
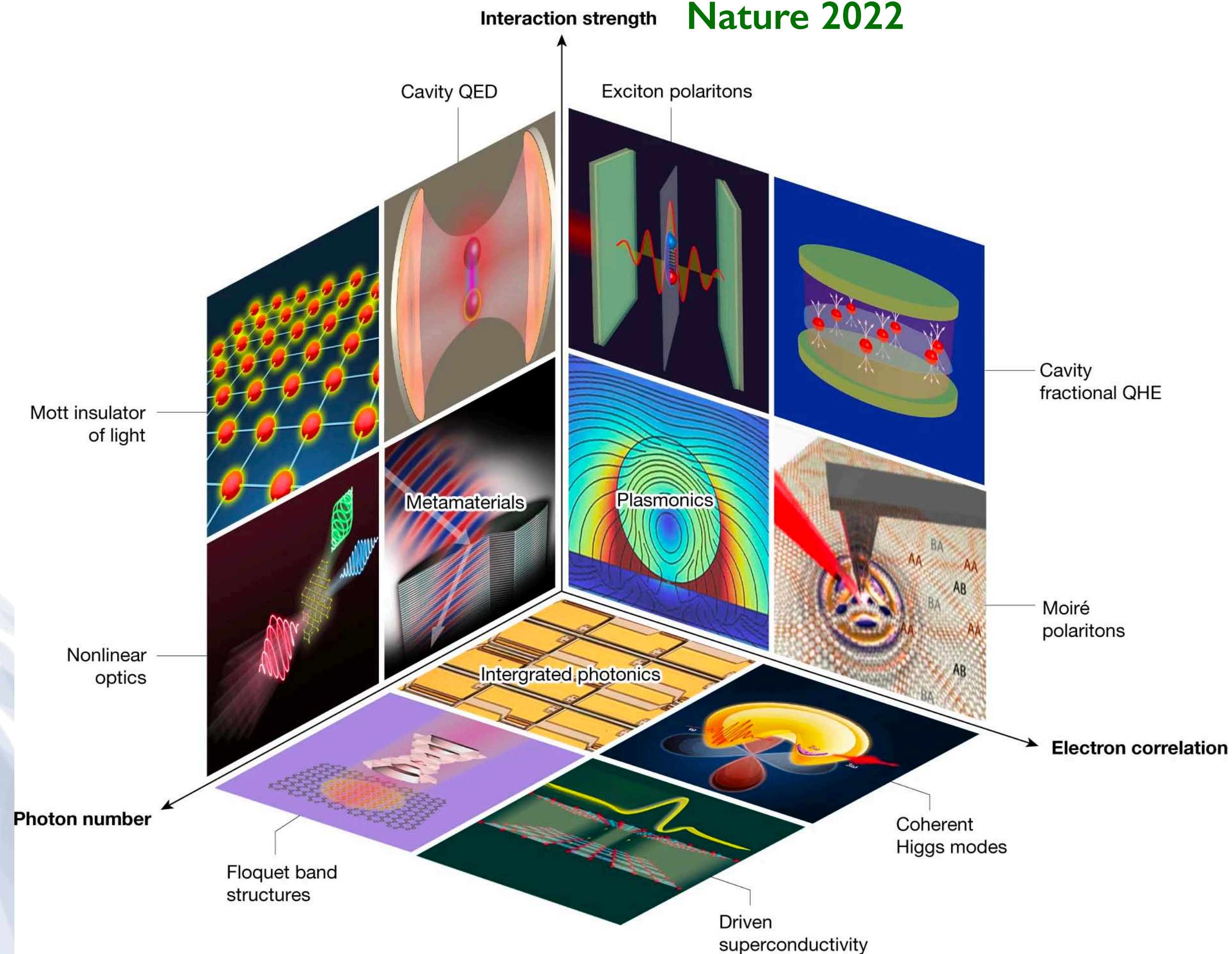


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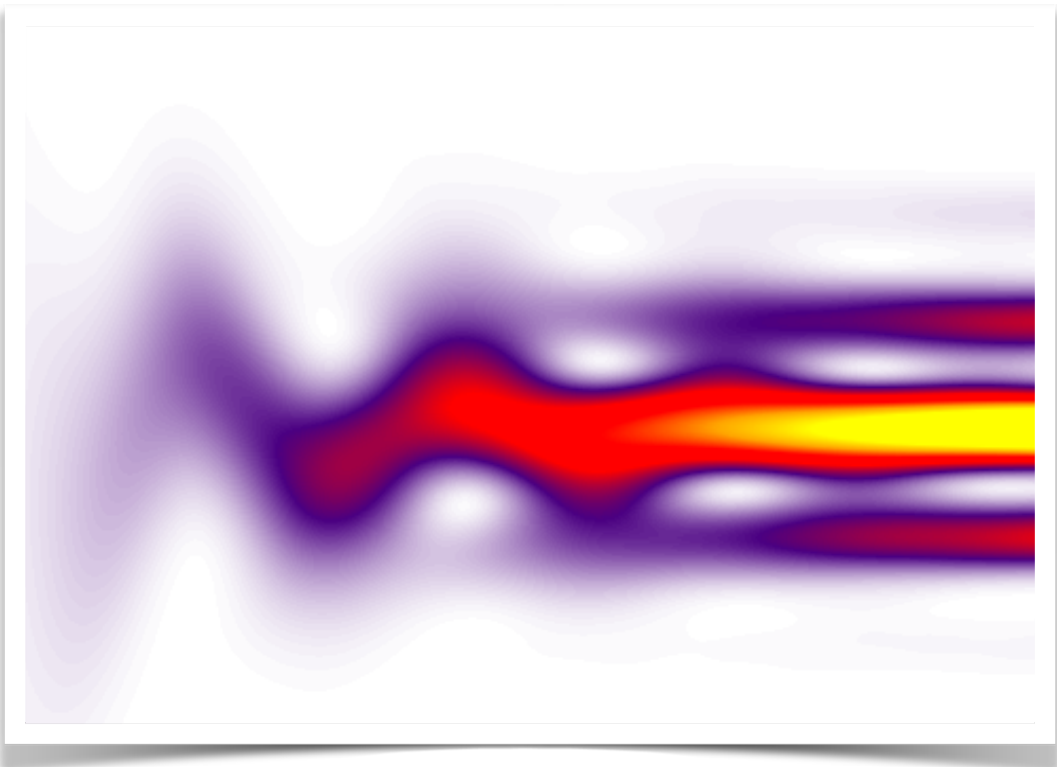
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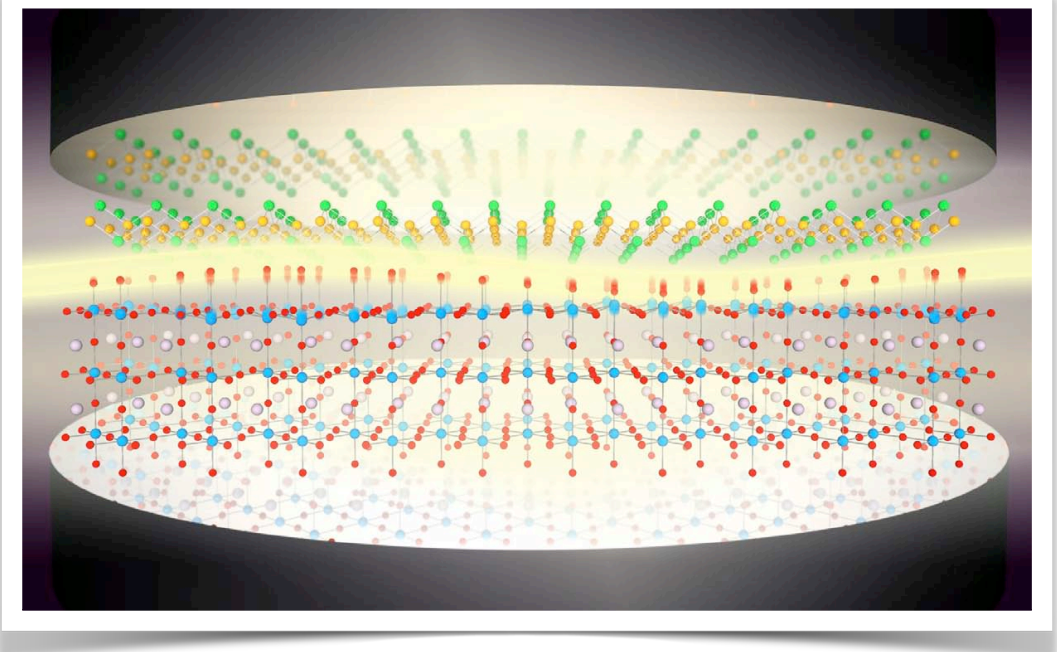


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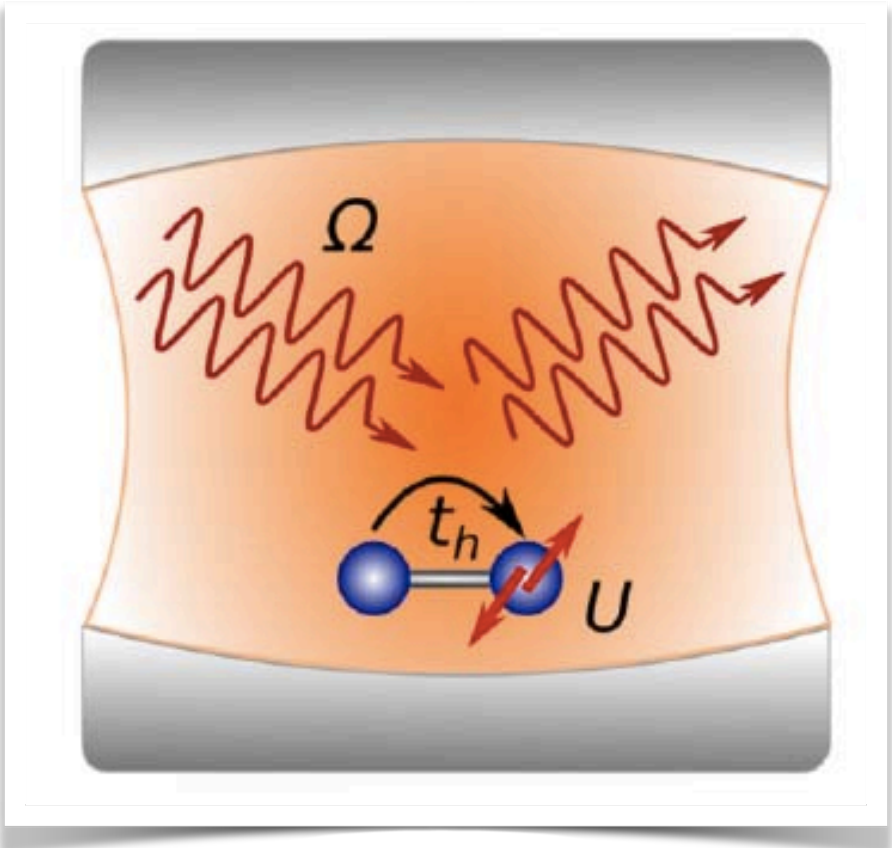
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