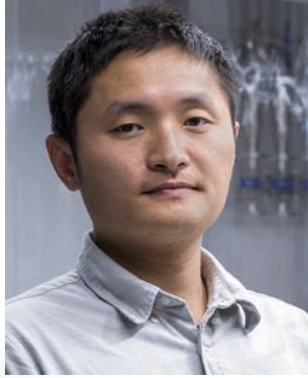




Quasi-symmetry protected topology in CoSi



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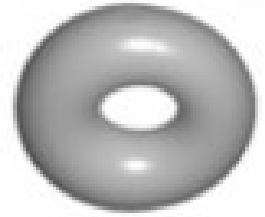
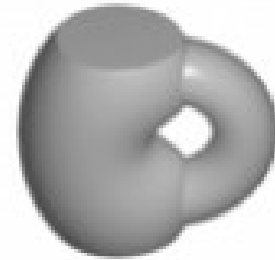


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The broken cup



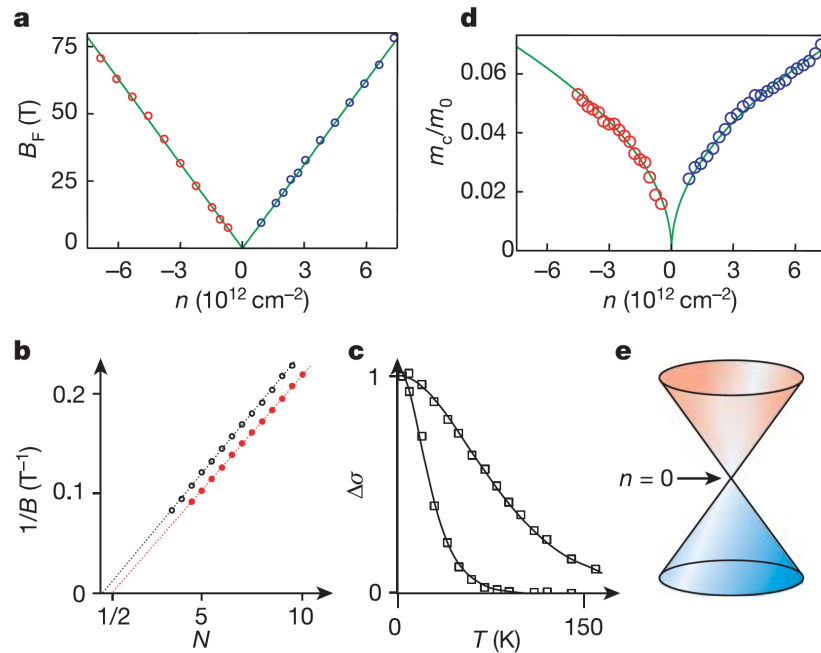
Topology protects characteristics of the band structure against perturbations.

But what if I need a cup?

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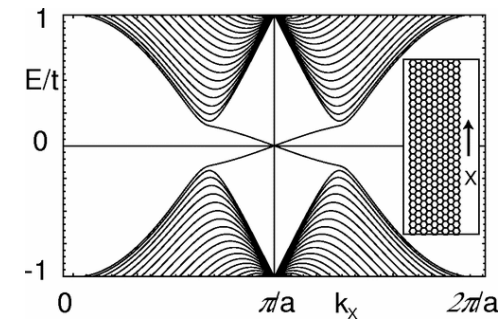
Massless Dirac Fermions in Graphene

Carriers in Graphene behave as massless Dirac particles.

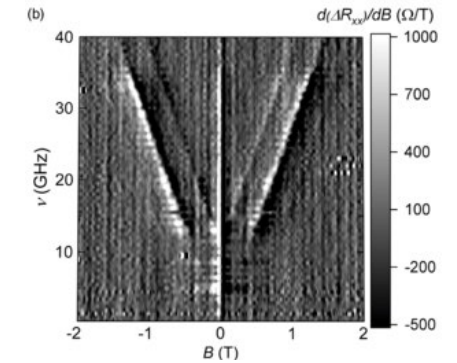


K.S. Novoselov et al., Nature 438, 197 (2005)

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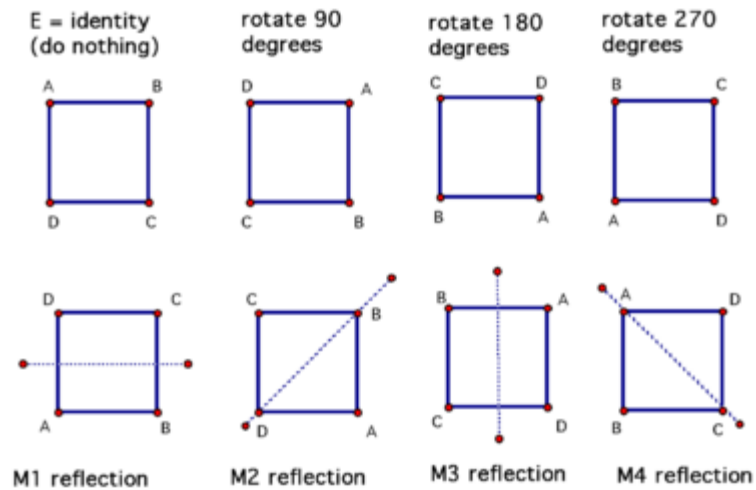


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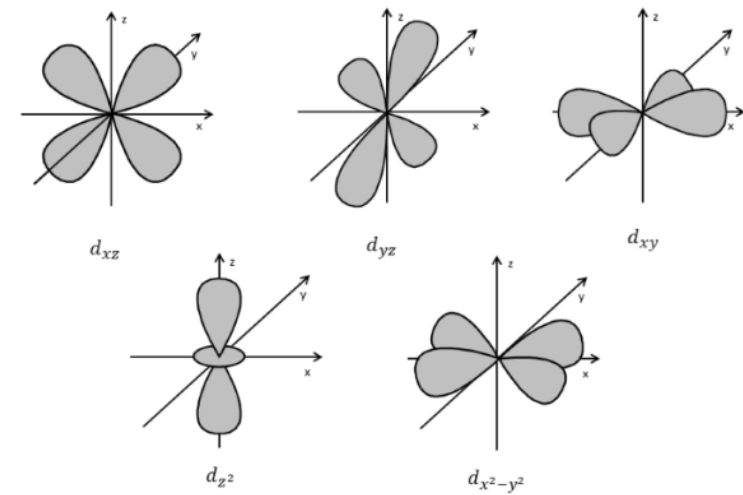
- Topology of electronic spectra is well defined mathematically by the choice of model, which may not resemble nature.
- The model that captures all effects at relevant energy scales will describe reality best.
- Mathematical classification may not be the ultimate judge for novel applications.

Symmetries simplify physics problems

Symmetry group of the problem G



Reduced complexity (*degeneracy*)



Approximate symmetry

Too high symmetry of the model: **spin-rotation symmetry**.

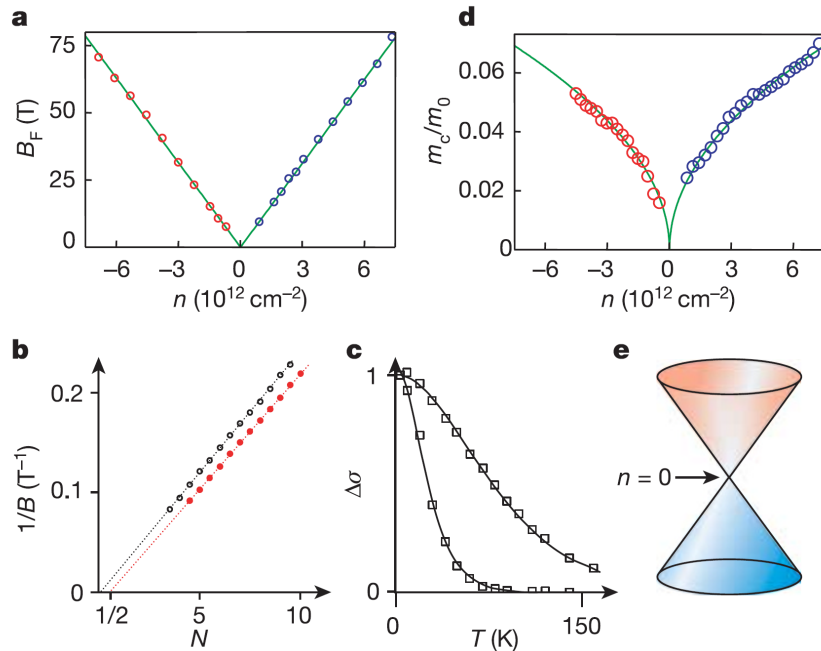
But is it relevant? It remains an **approximate symmetry**.

$$H = H_D$$

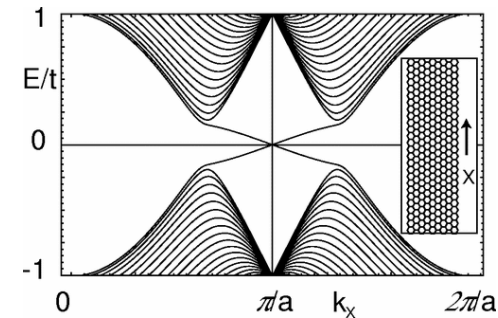
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$$H = H_D + H_{\text{SOC}}$$

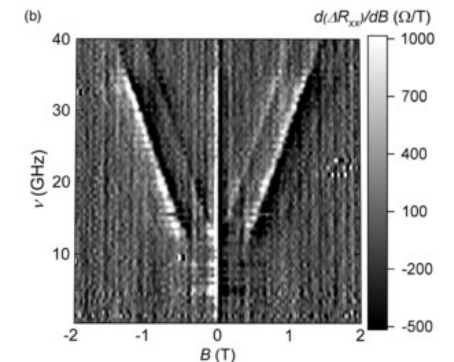
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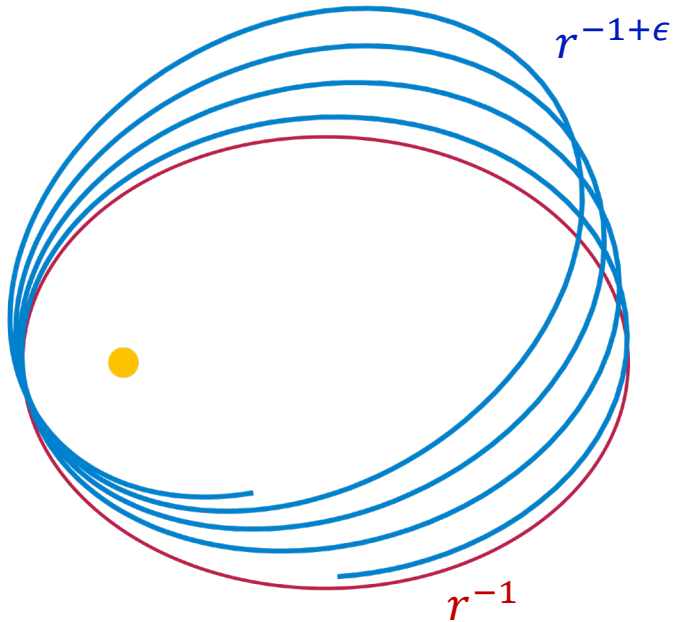
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Hidden symmetry

Radially symmetric potential $V(r) \rightarrow$ Symmetry $SO(3) \rightarrow$ Classical orbits fall in plane perp. to angular momentum.



Classical gravity: All solutions of the Kepler problem are **closed ellipses**!

Solution: $V(r) \sim 1/r$ has a higher symmetry than $SO(3)$, namely $SO(4)$.

Famous example of a hidden symmetry
and hidden conservation law (Lenz-Runge-Kutta vector)

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{p} \times \mathbf{L} - m k \mathbf{e}_r$$

Not all relevant symmetries are directly apparent. Look out for simpler behavior than symmetry would predict.

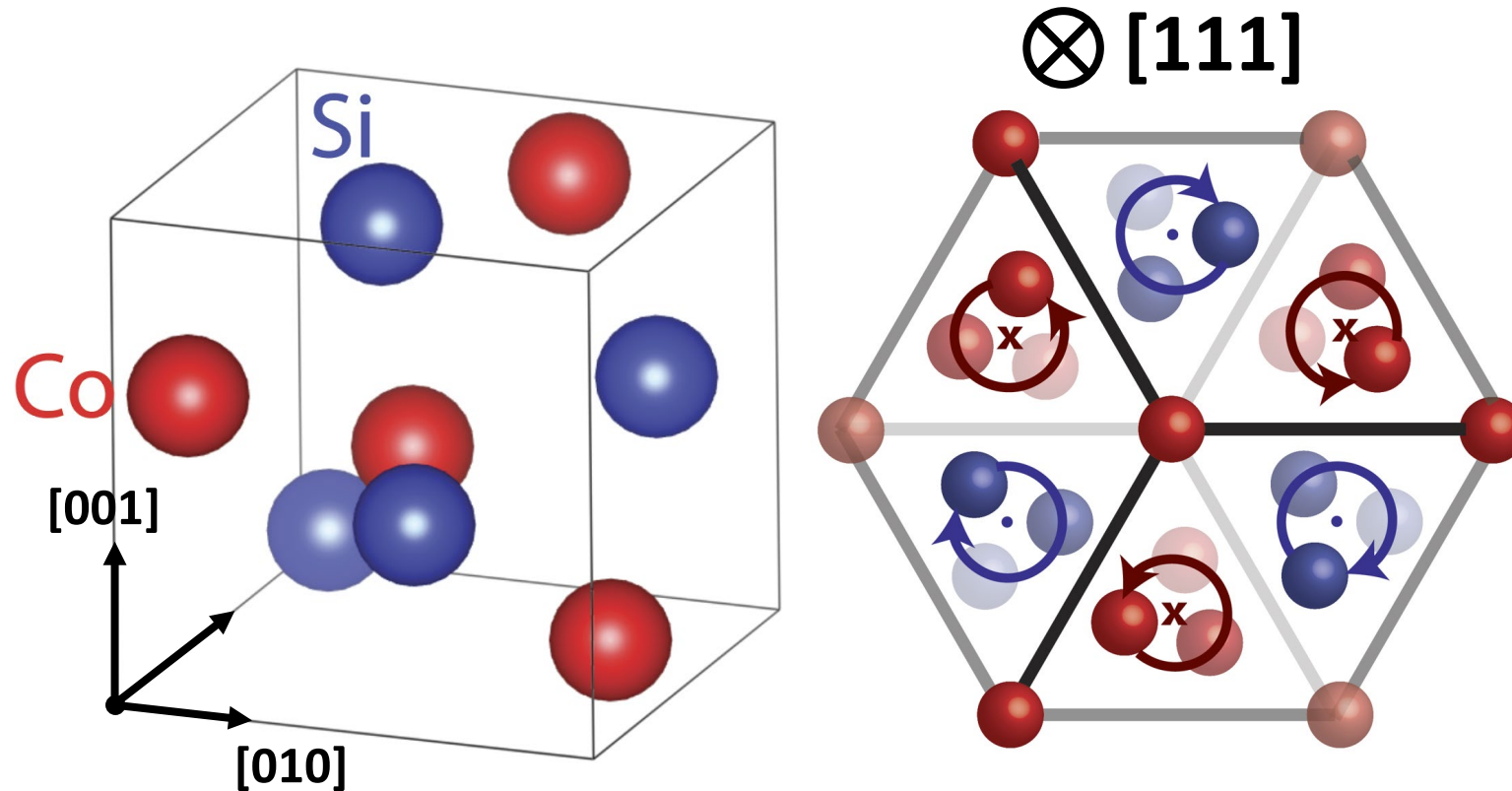
Hidden, approximate symmetries

It could be possible that approximate, hidden symmetries stabilize (quasi-)degeneracies that are practically indistinguishable from true symmetries.

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Basic properties of CoSi

Chiral cubic structure



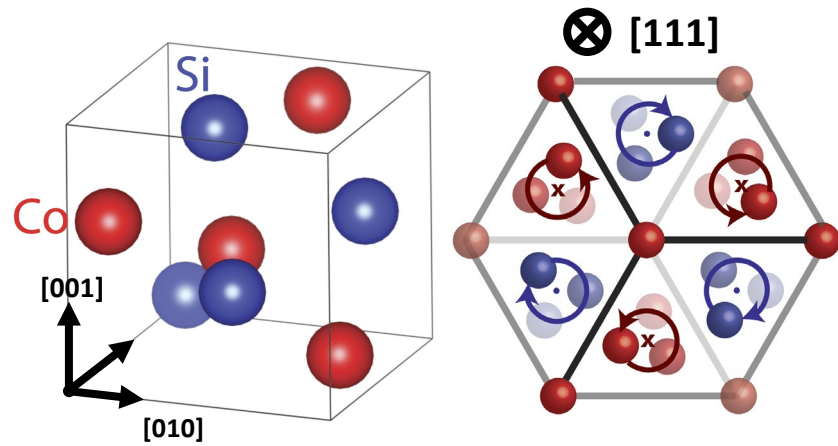
Space group: $P2_13$ (198)

No inversion center

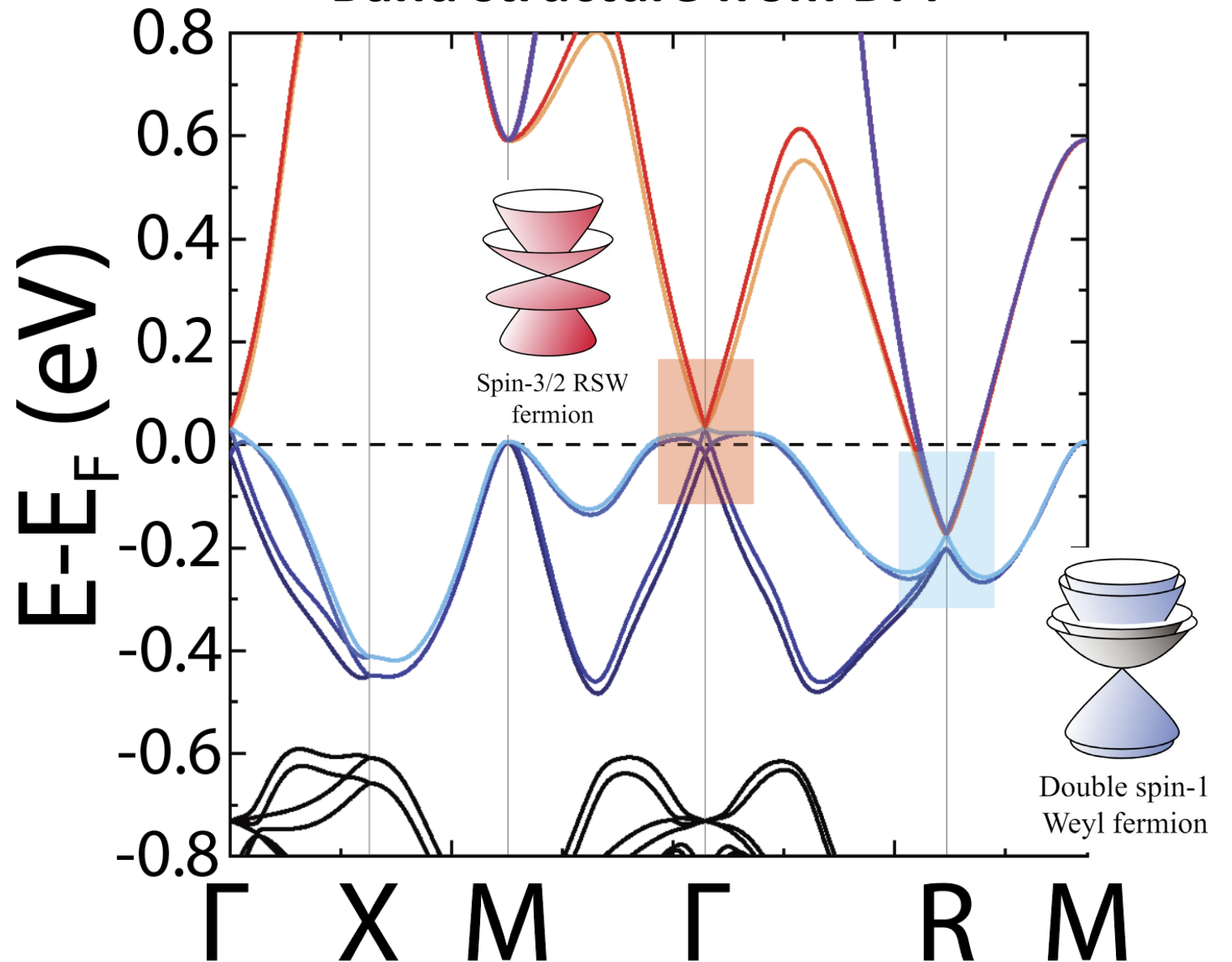
Chiral axis along $[111]$

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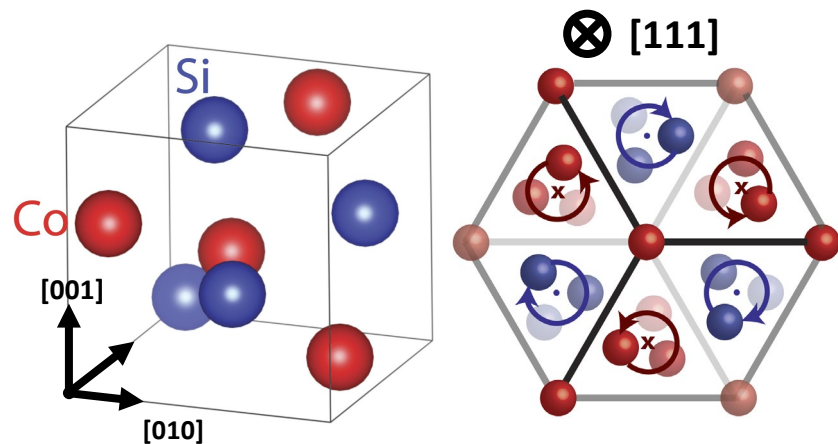


Band structure from DFT

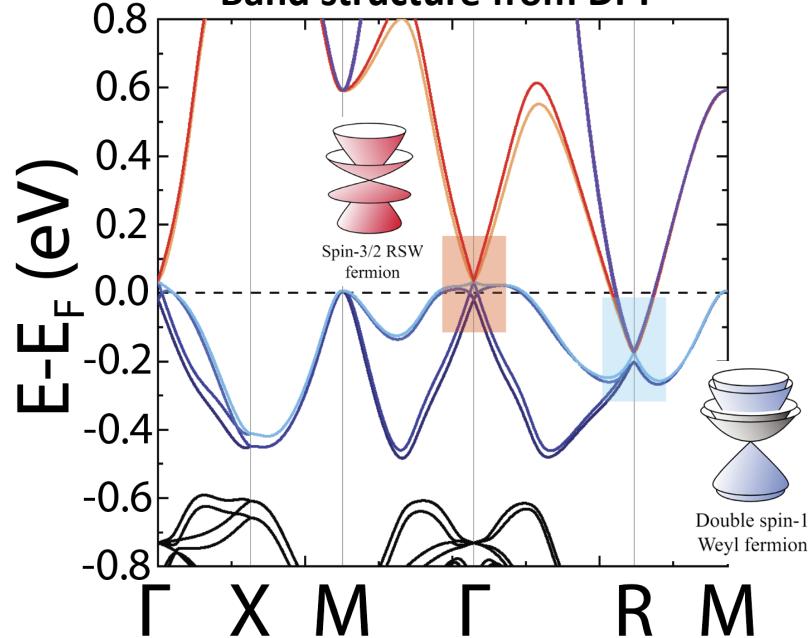


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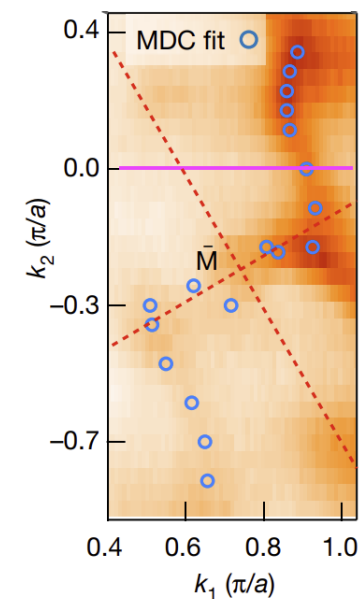
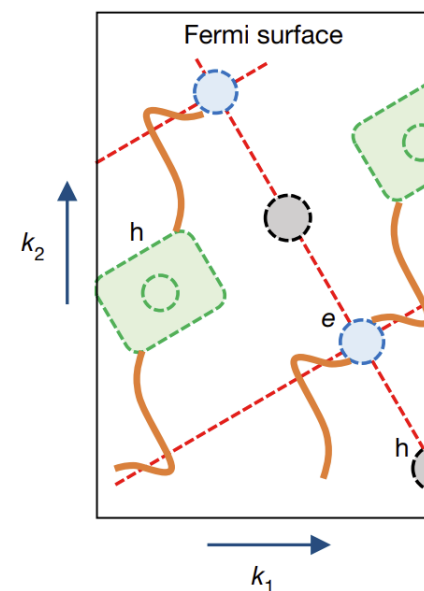
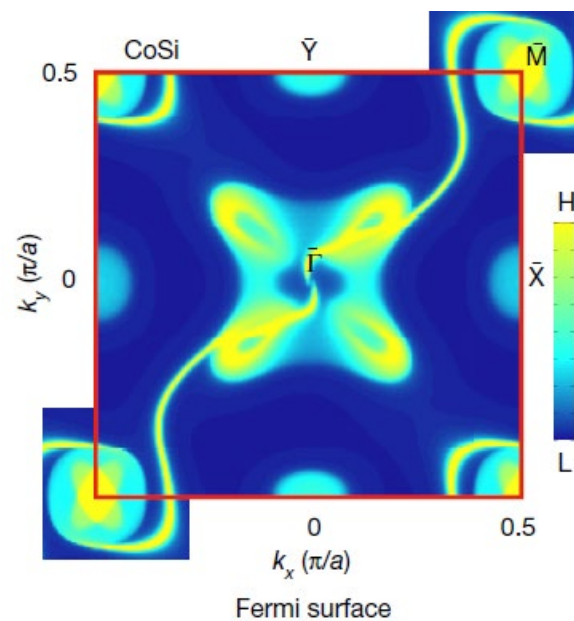
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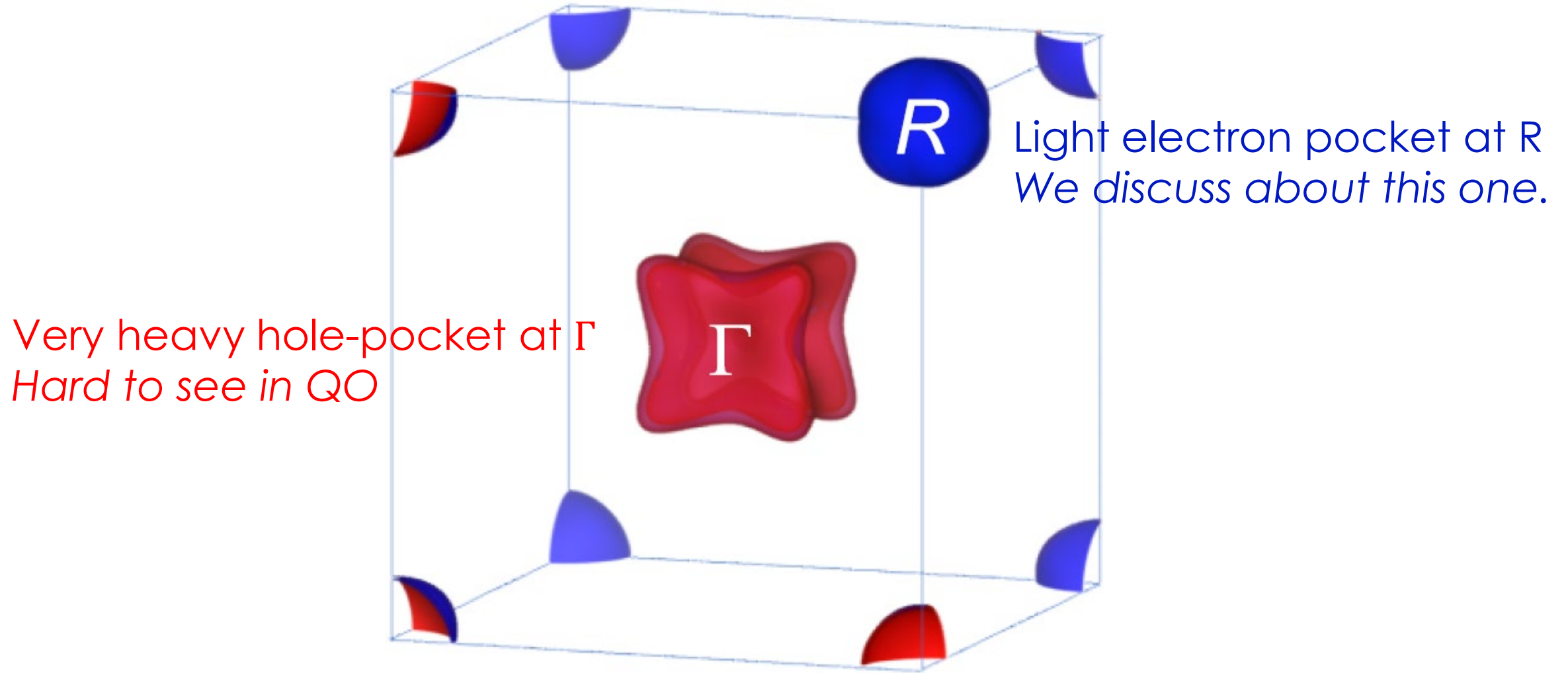
Long Fermi-arc



Long Fermi-arc observed in ARPES measurements.

- [1] Z. Rao et al., Nature 567, 496 (2019).
- [2] D. S. Sanchez et al., Nature 567, 500505 (2019).

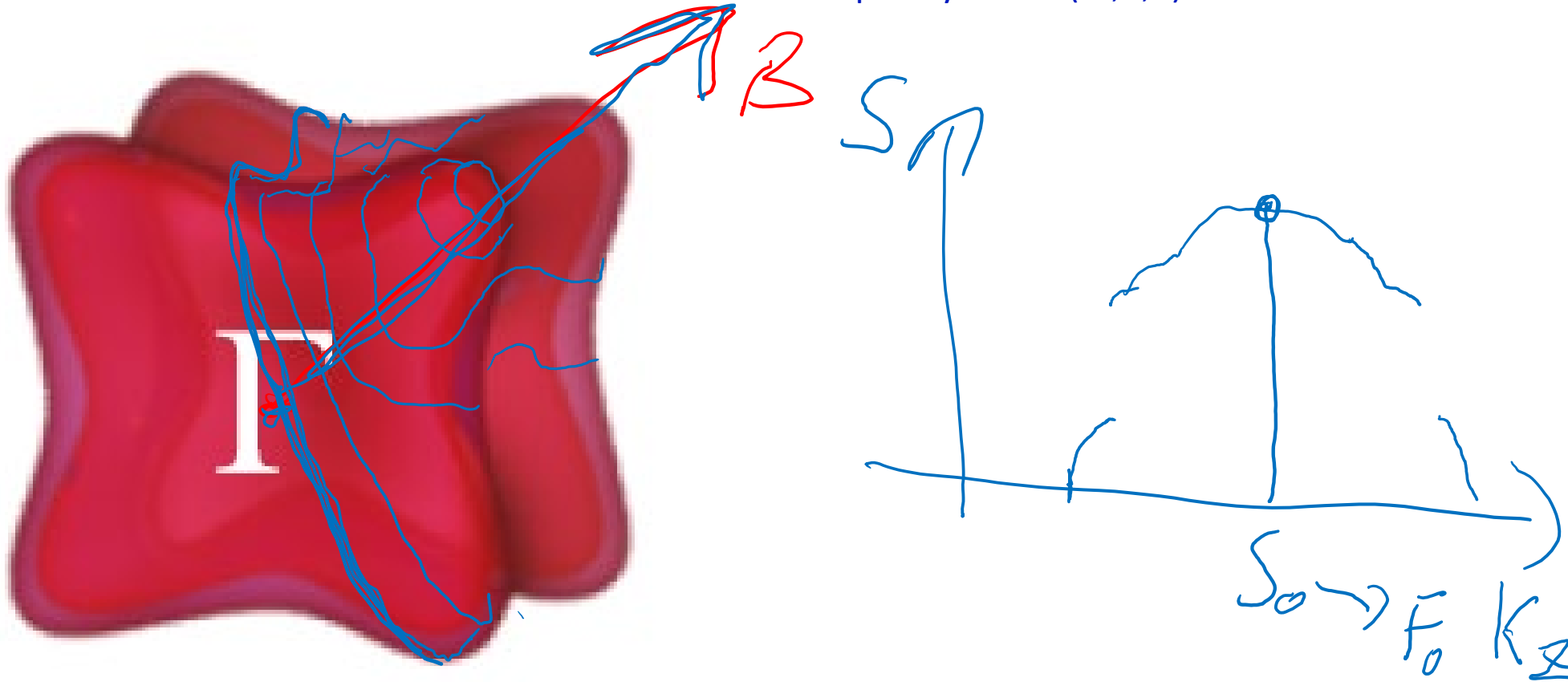
Fermi surface overview



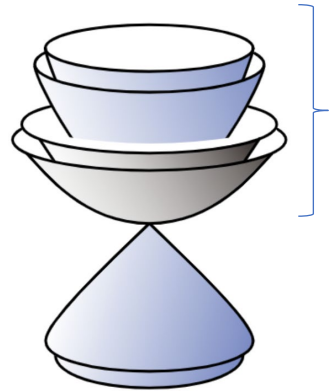
Fermi surface topology from quantum oscillations

$$\text{Onsager relation: } F = \frac{\hbar}{2\pi e} S$$

Frequency of QO (M,R,...) = Extremal cross-section of Fermi surface



Fermi surface topology: slice and view

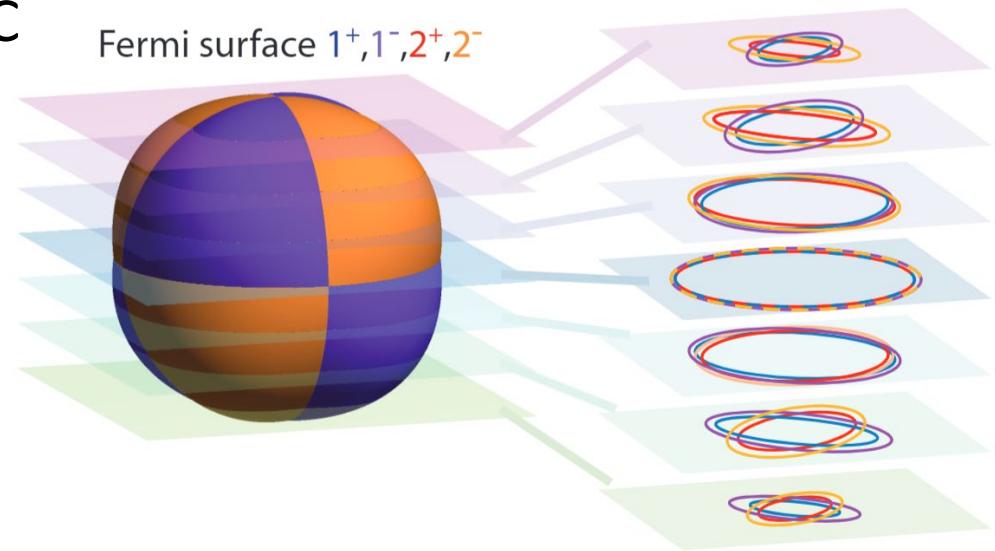


Double spin-1
Weyl fermion

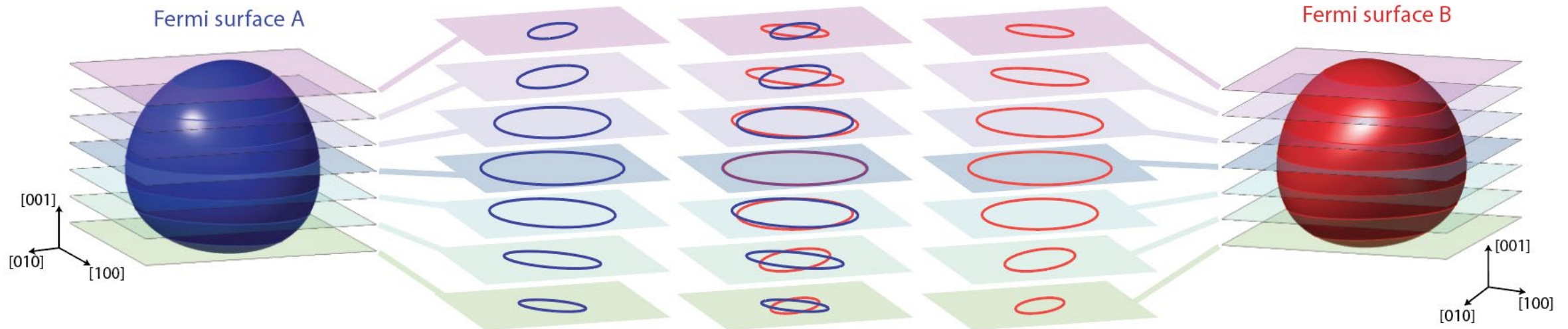
4 bands:
2 orbital, 2 spin

With SOC
Full FS

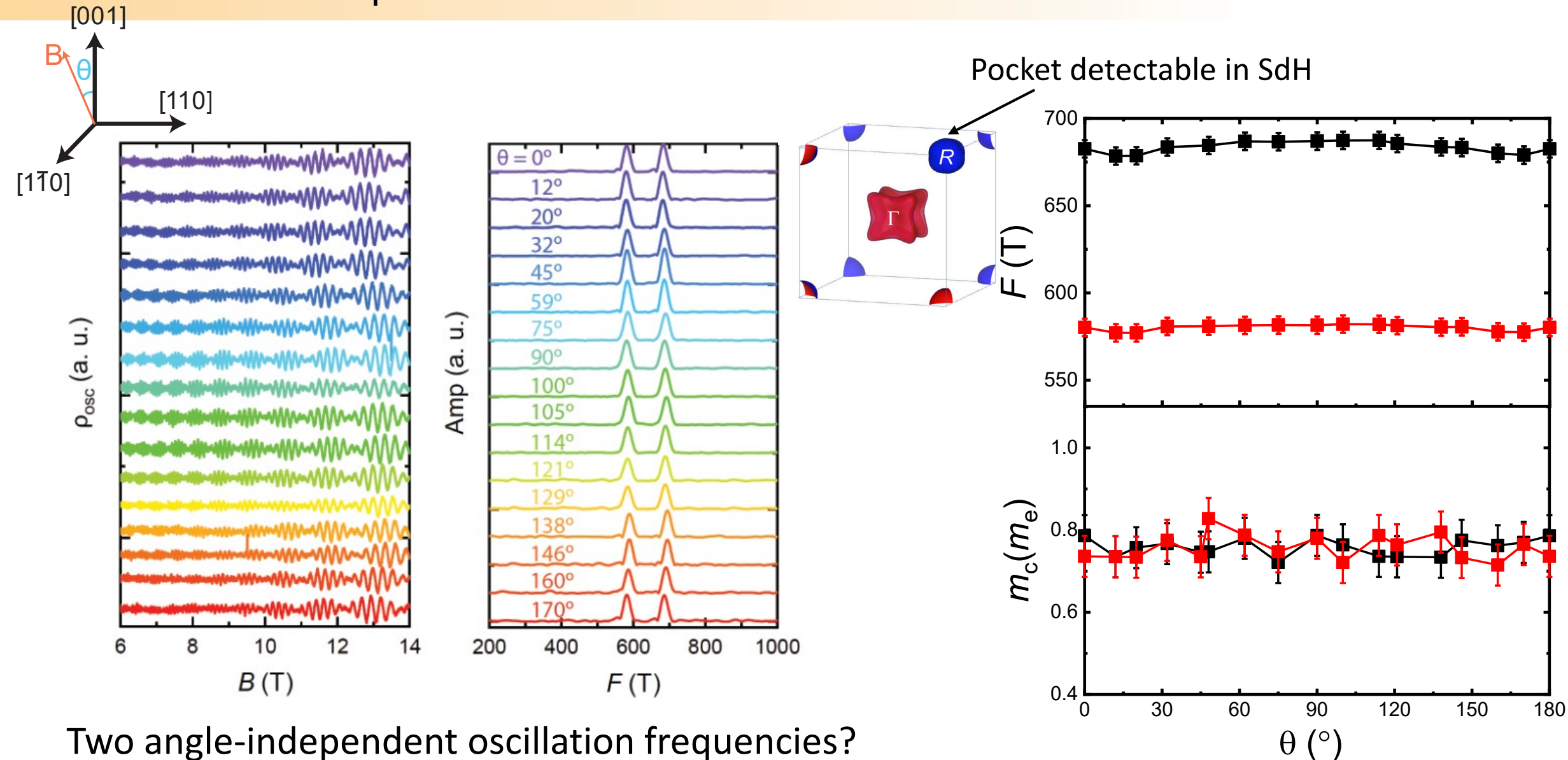
Fermi surface $1^+, 1^-, 2^+, 2^-$



First ignore SOC (only 2 surfaces)

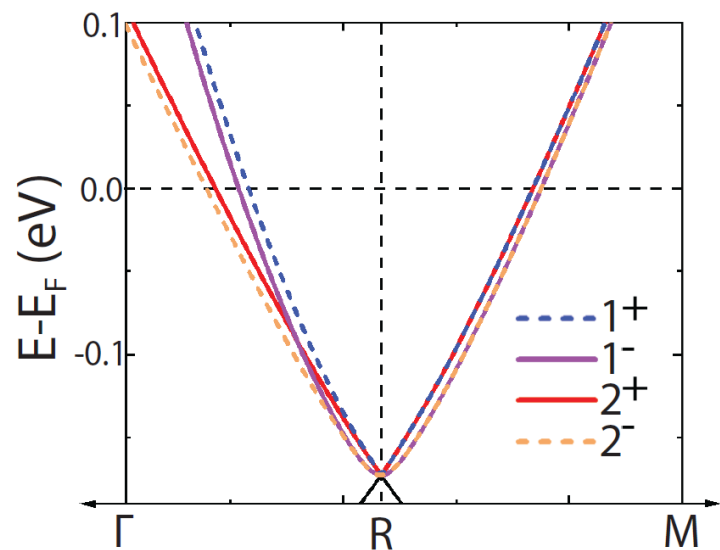


CoSi is too simple!

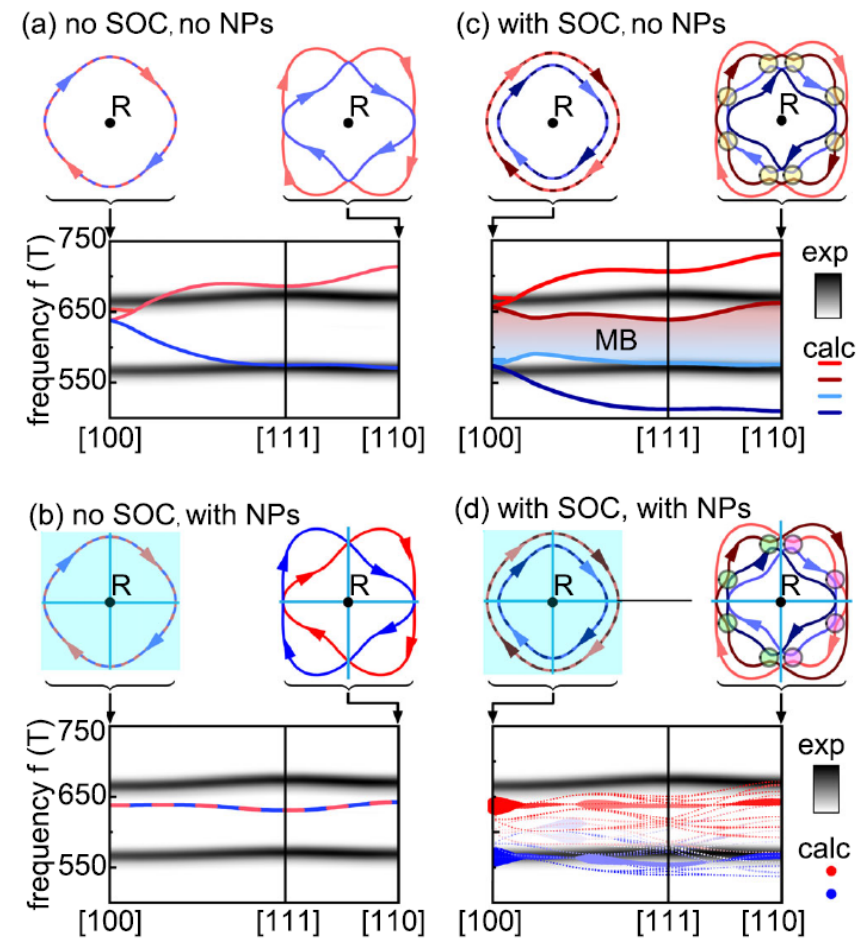
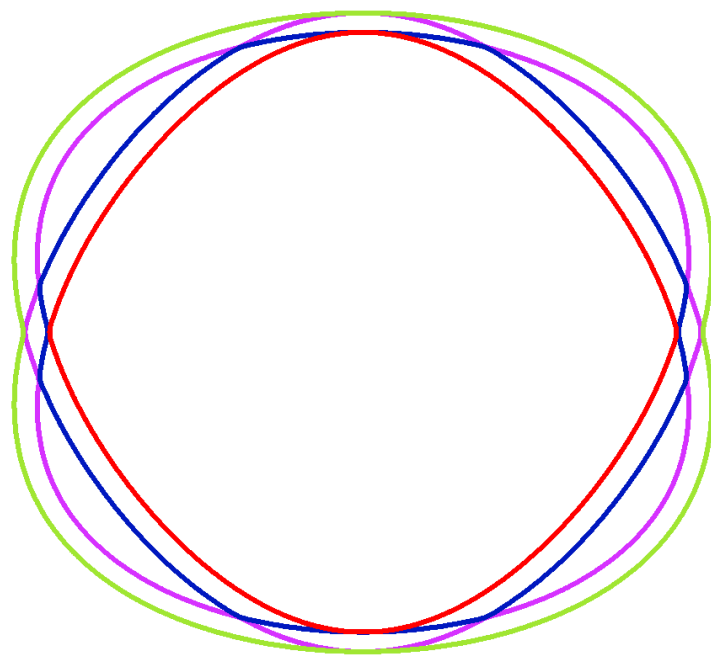


Two angle-independent oscillation frequencies?

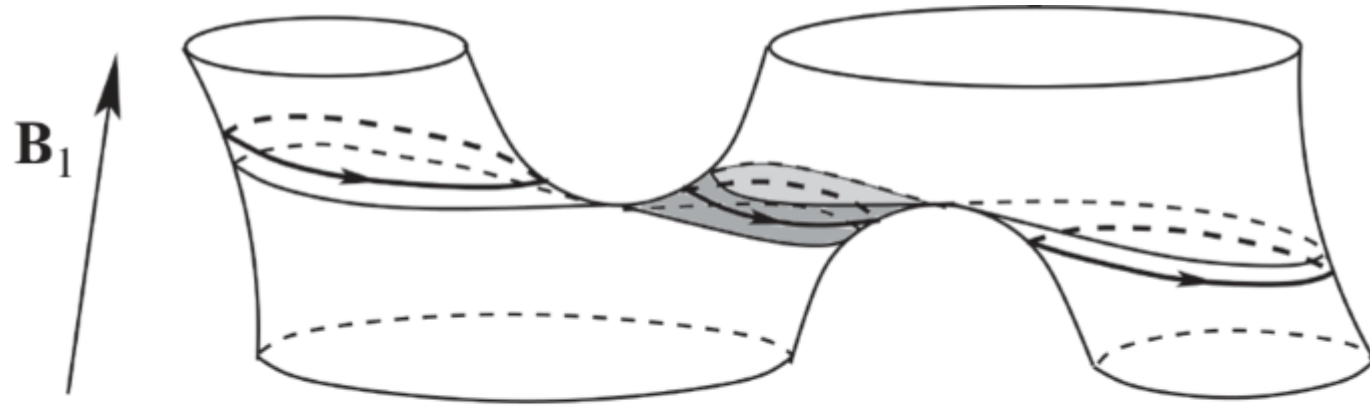
Why are the QO so simple?



Predicted orbits for $B // [110]$



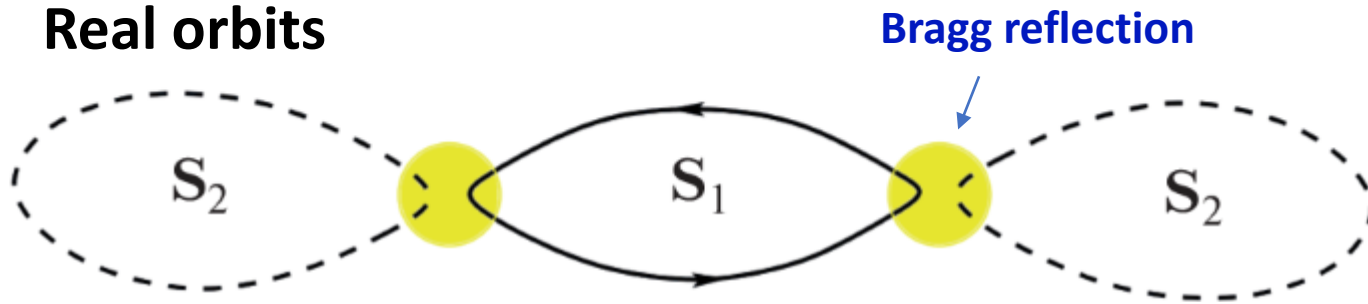
Magnetic breakdown



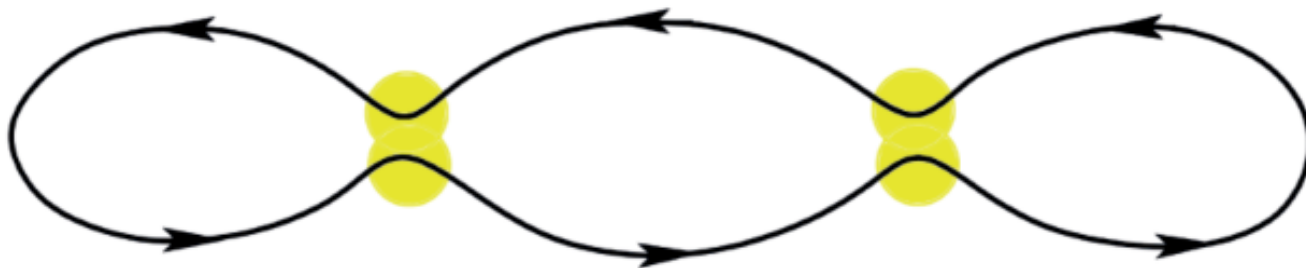
Compare energy with barrier height

$$\hbar\omega_c = \frac{eB}{m_{eff}} \sim \Delta E$$

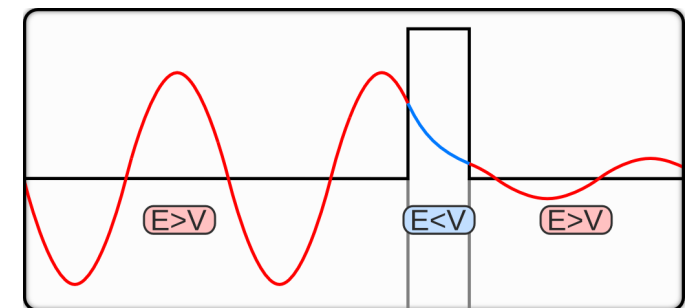
Real orbits



Breakdown orbits

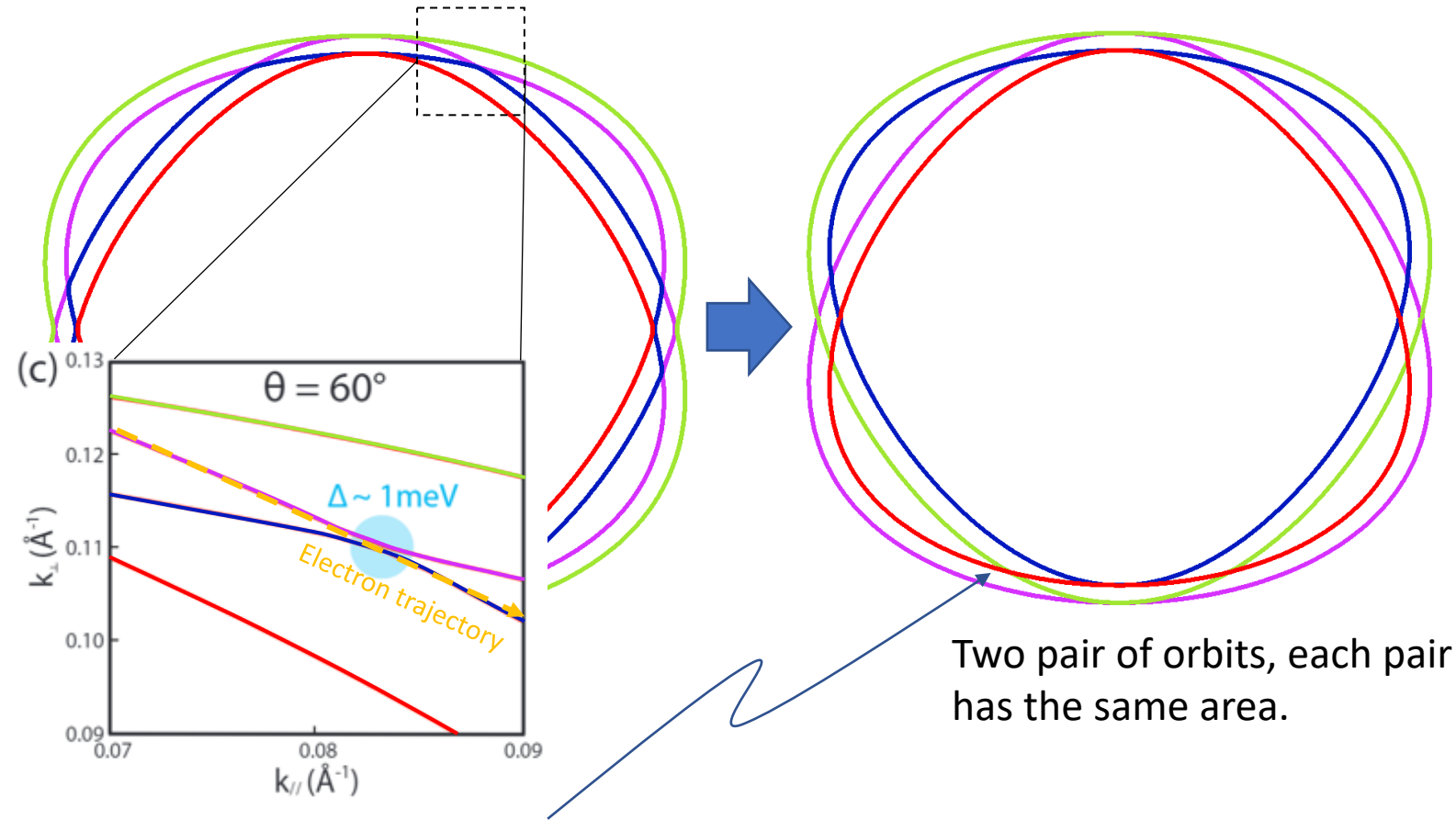


Tunneling physics

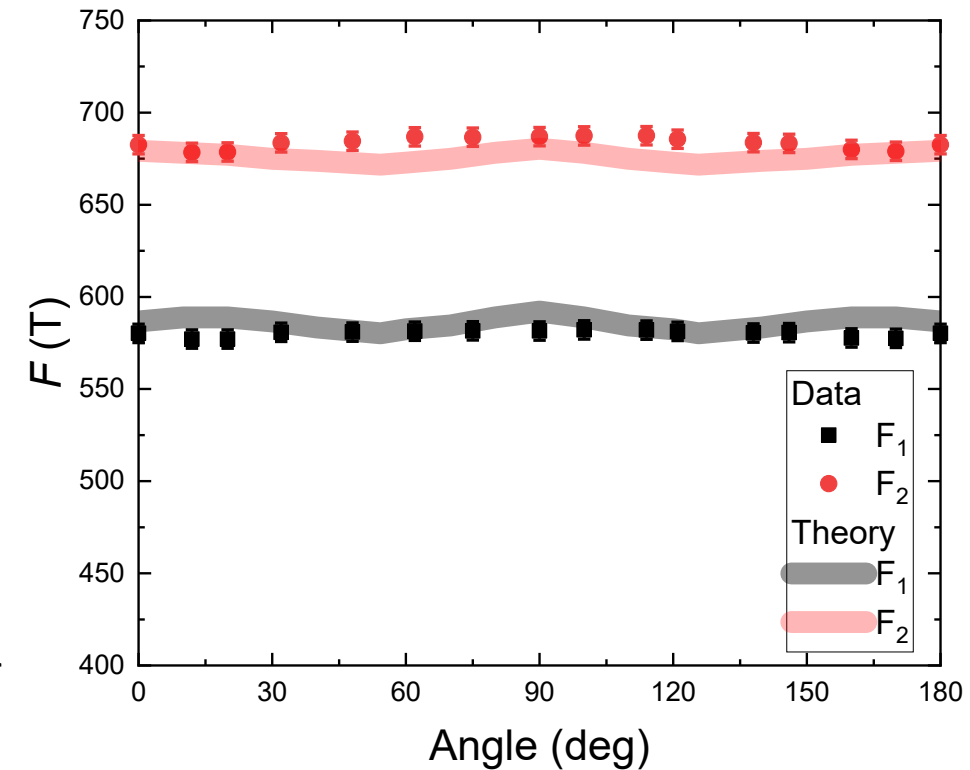


Hidden in plain sight

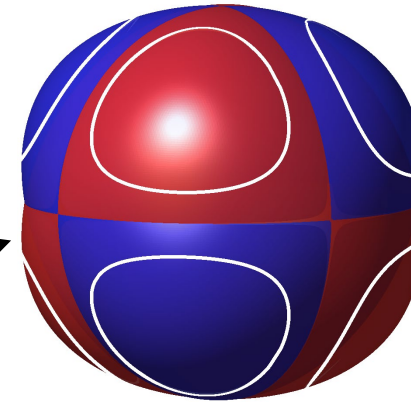
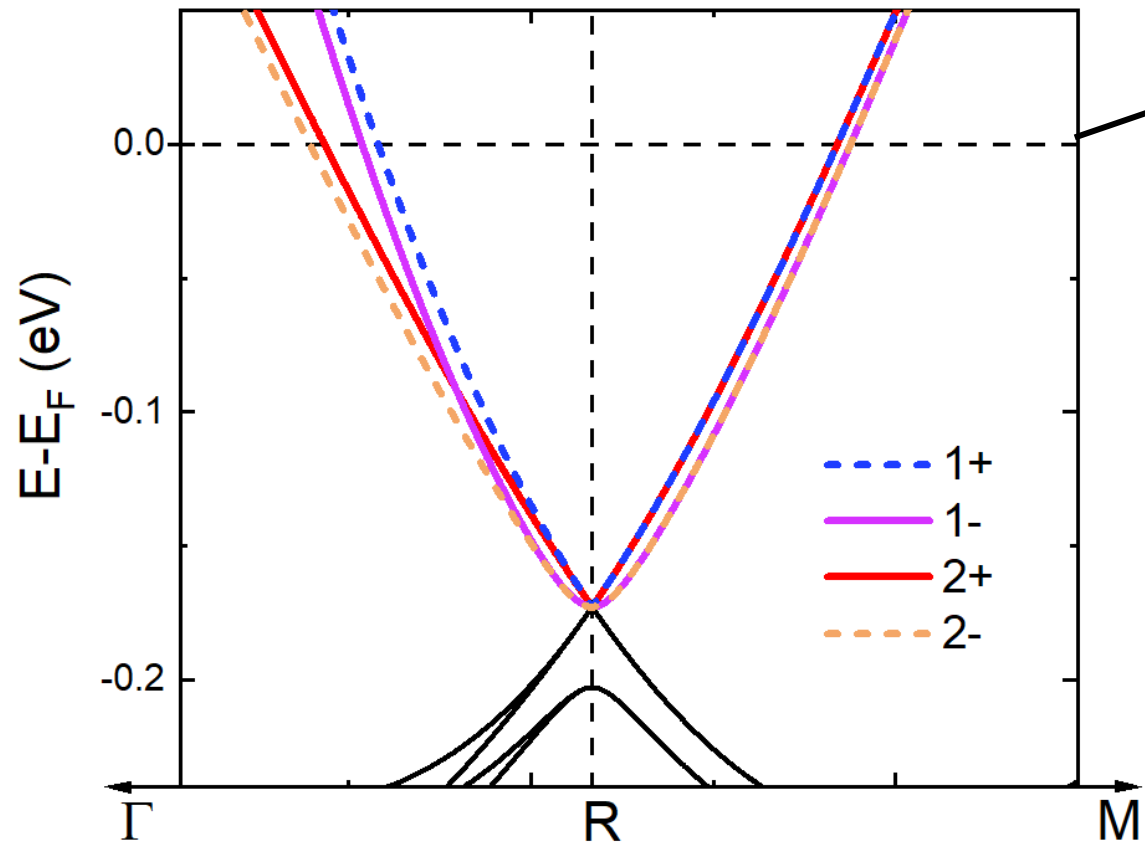
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Why are there tiny gaps all over the place at low-symmetry k-points?

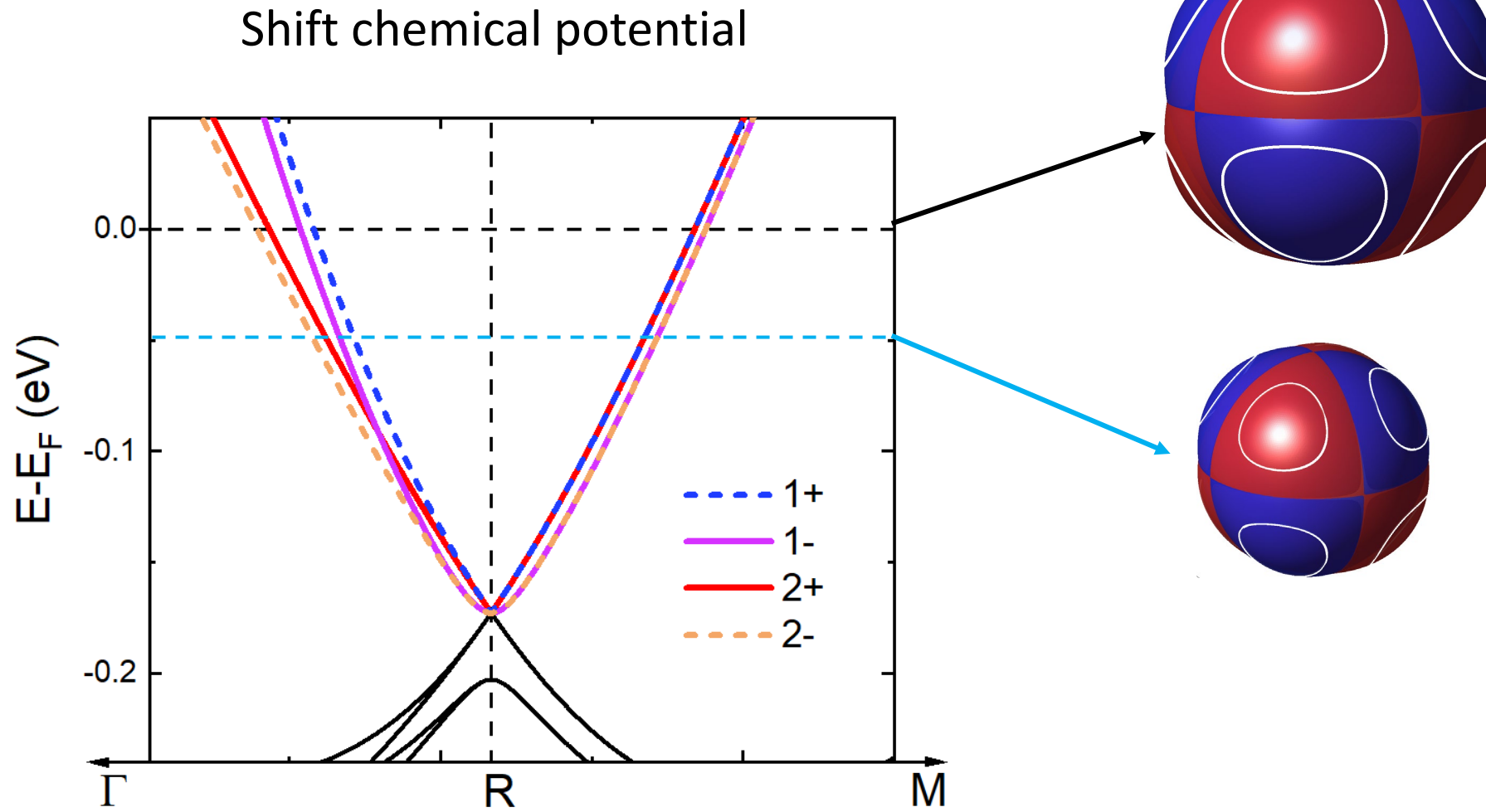


Map all crossings at the FS

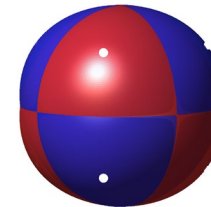
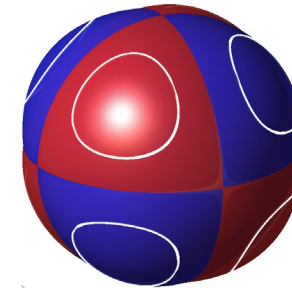
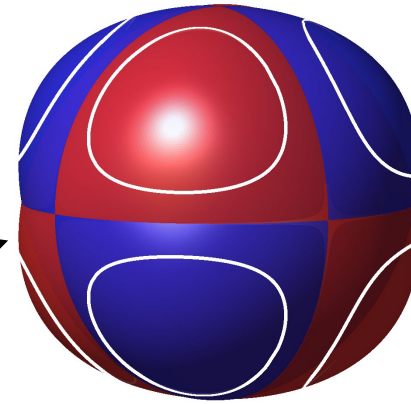
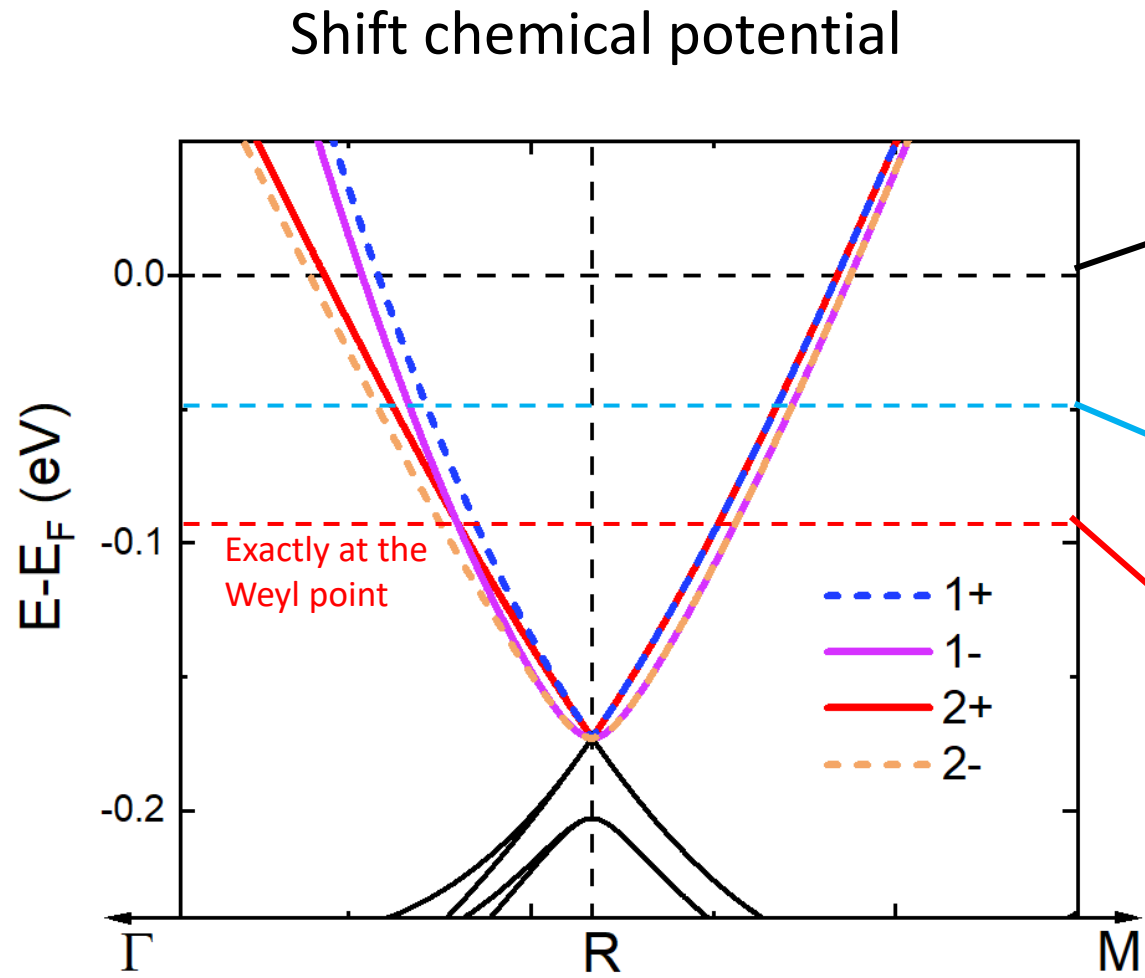


Near-degeneracies fall on low-symmetry rings on Fermi surface.

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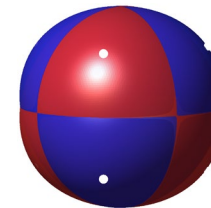
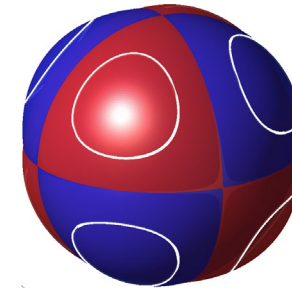
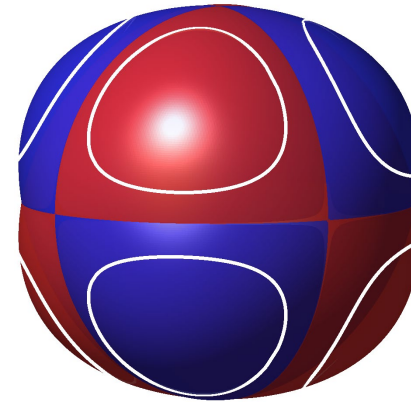
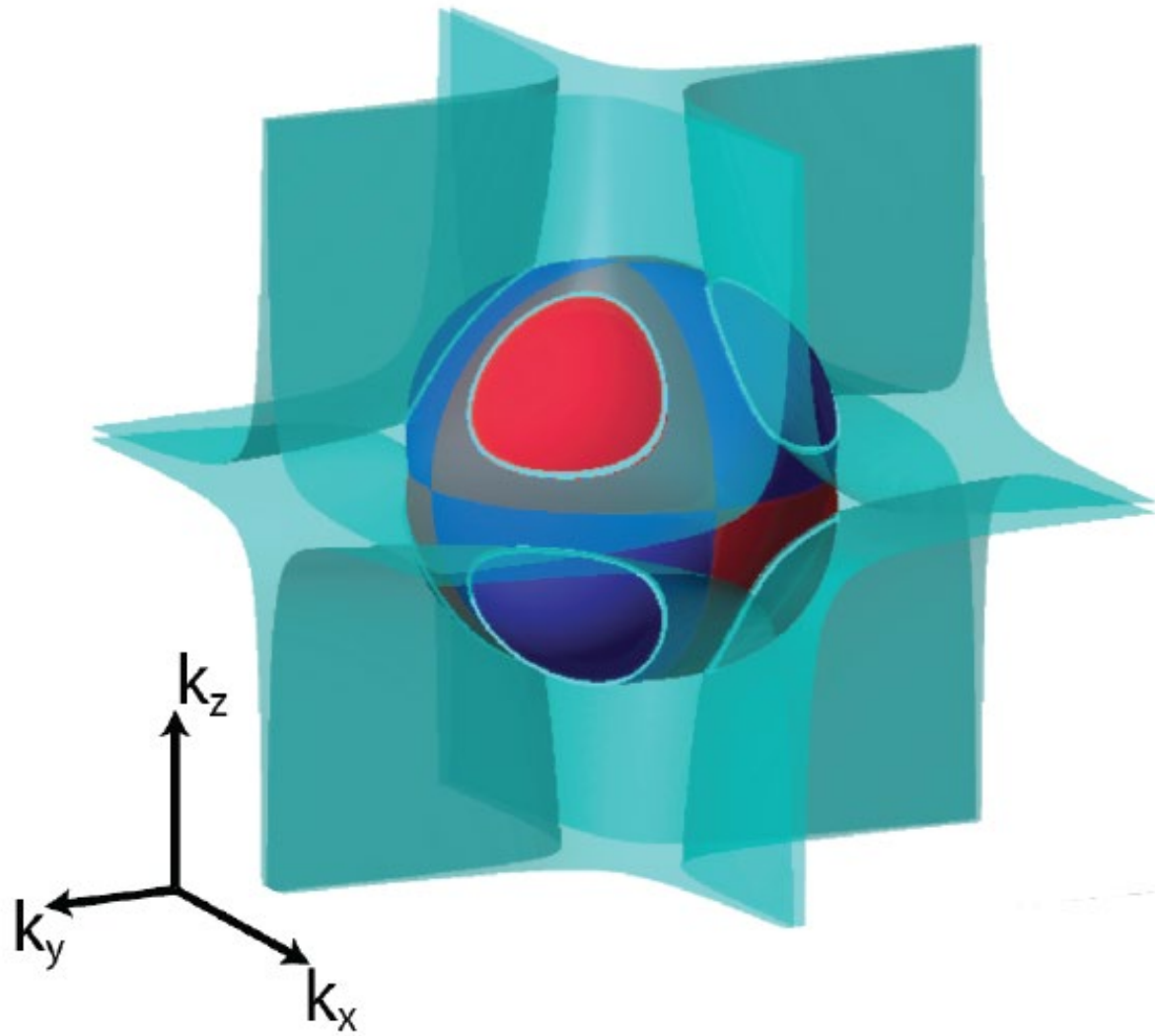


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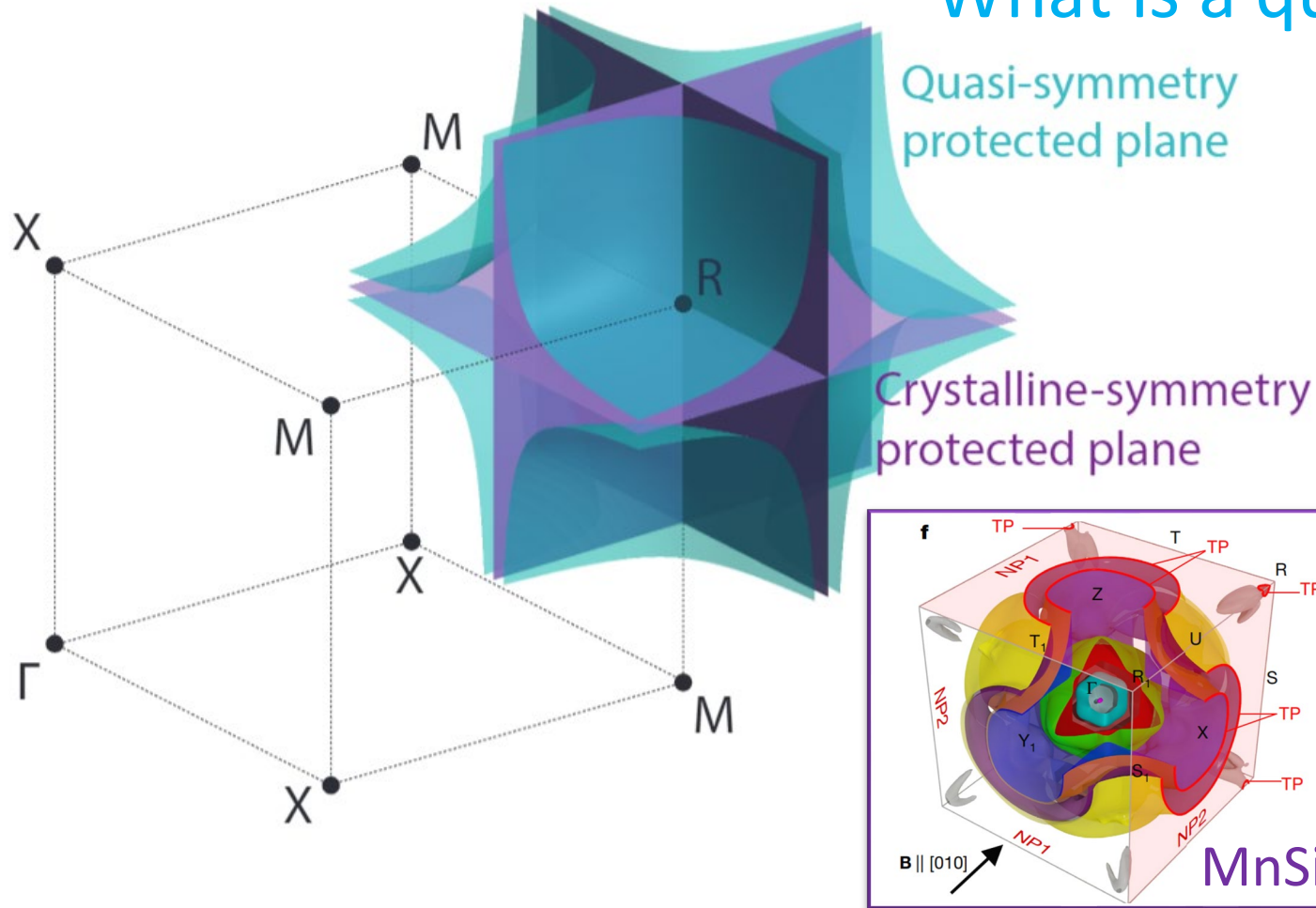
Now we can construct the whole plane in the Brillouin zone!

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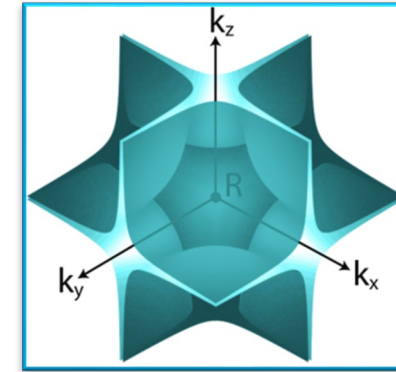


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Construction of 3D topological planes

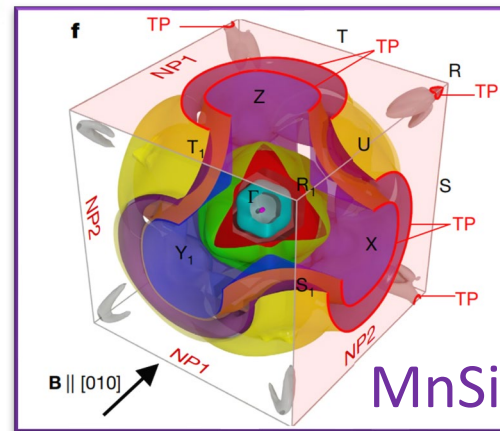


What is a quasi-symmetry?



Planes of near-degeneracy at low-symmetry k-points that span the entire BZ.

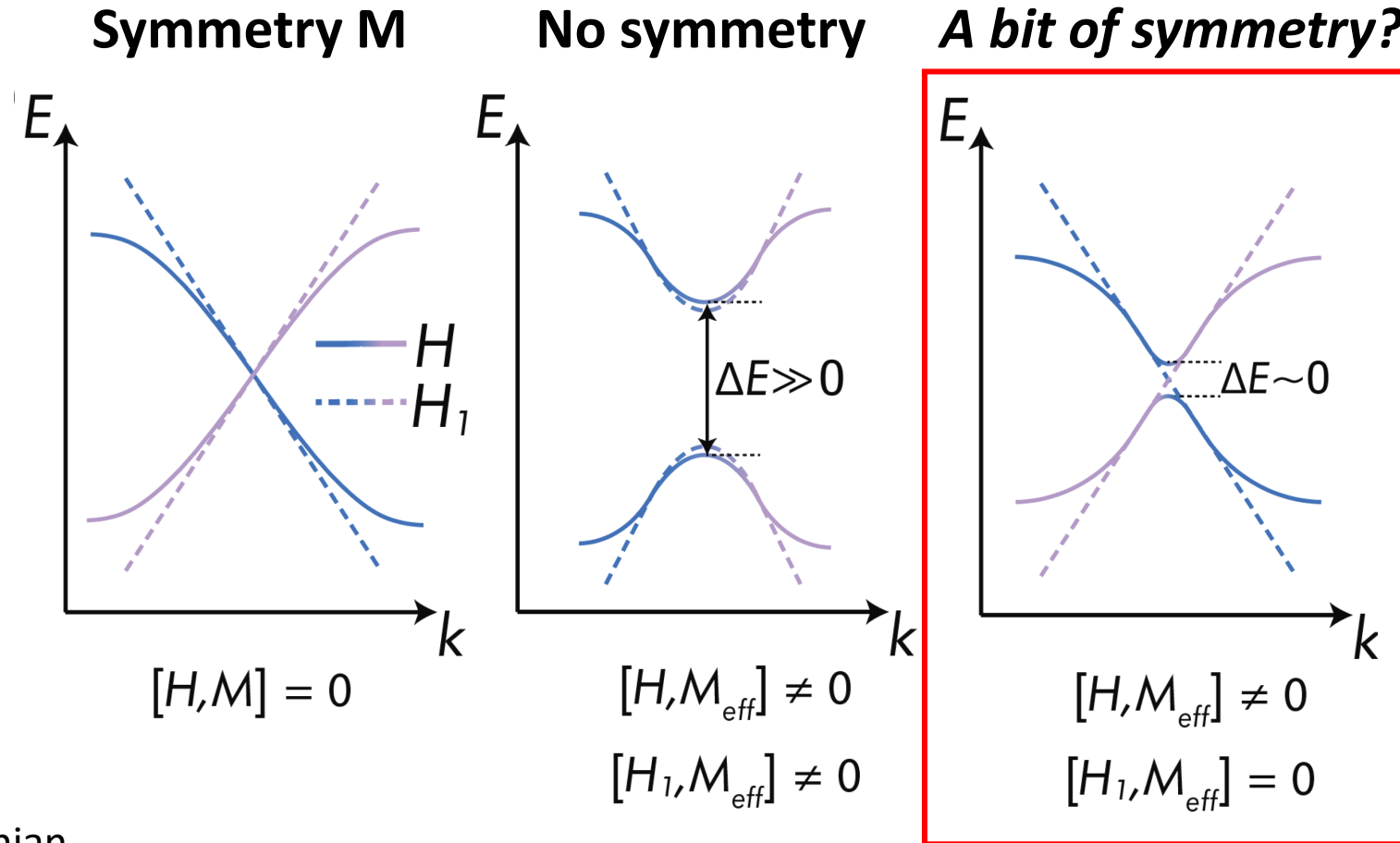
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Quasi-symmetry



H : full Hamiltonian

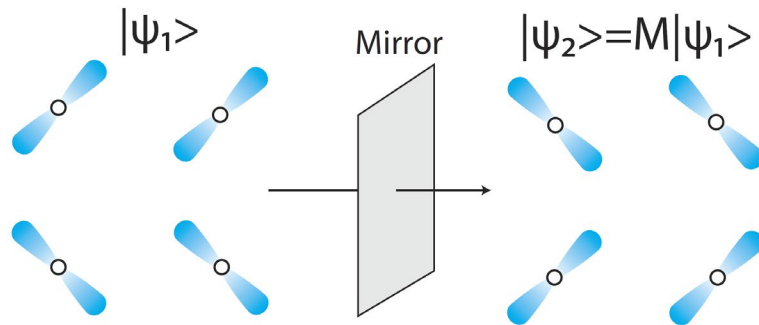
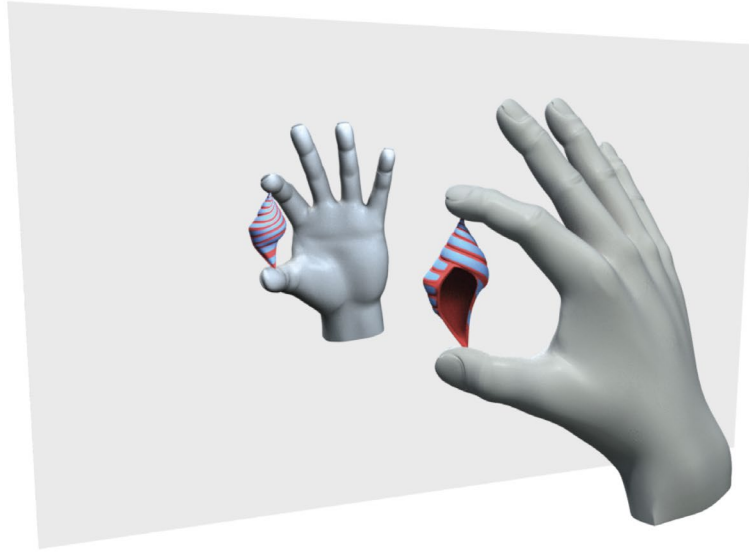
H_1 : dominant part

$H = H_1 + H_2 + \dots$ (e.g. $k \cdot p$ expansion)

Quasi-symmetry: True symmetry of the first order term in a $k \cdot p$ expansion that is not a symmetry of the full Hamiltonian.

Quasi-symmetry

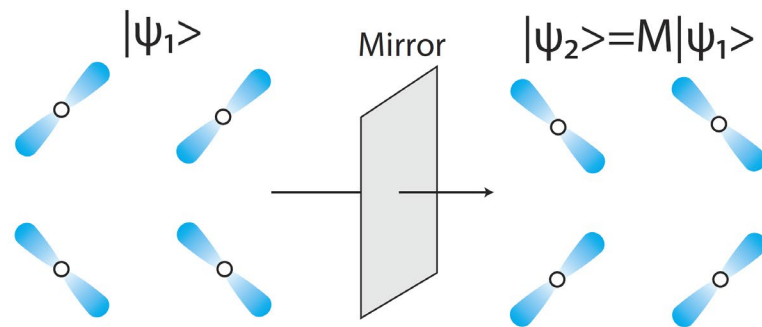
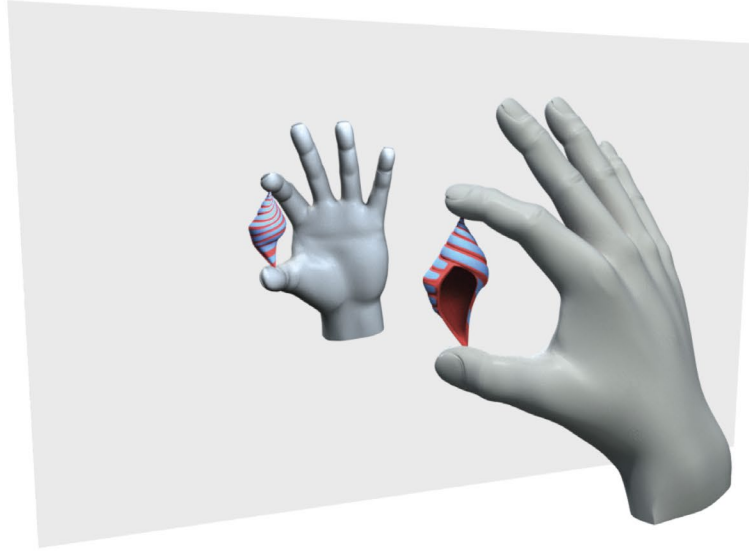
Mirror symmetry operation



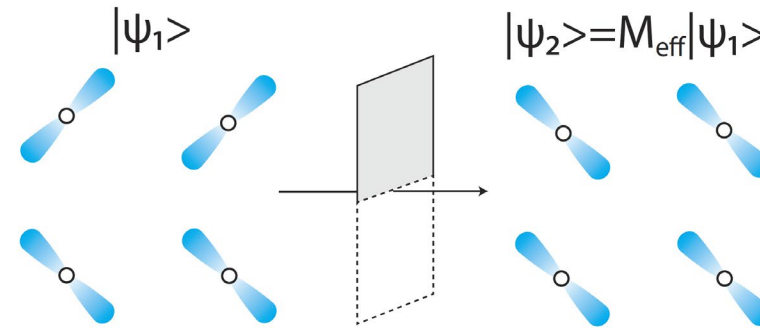
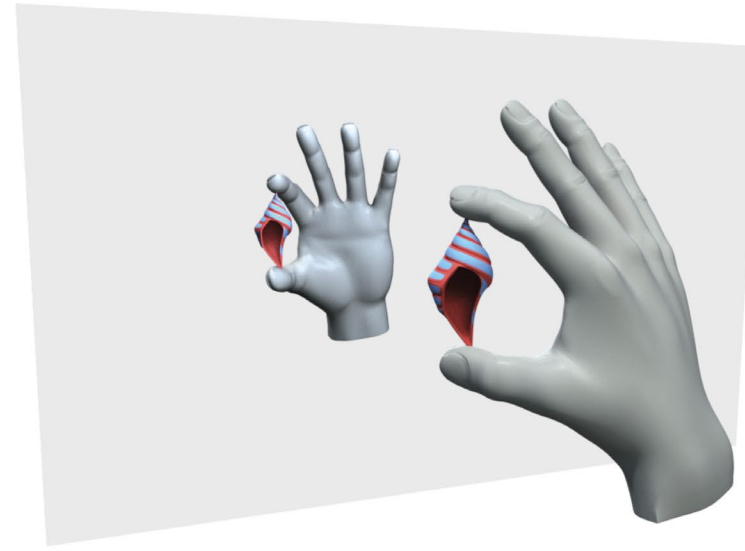
Mirror symmetry operation: Universal operation on the whole system.

Quasi-symmetry

Mirror symmetry operation

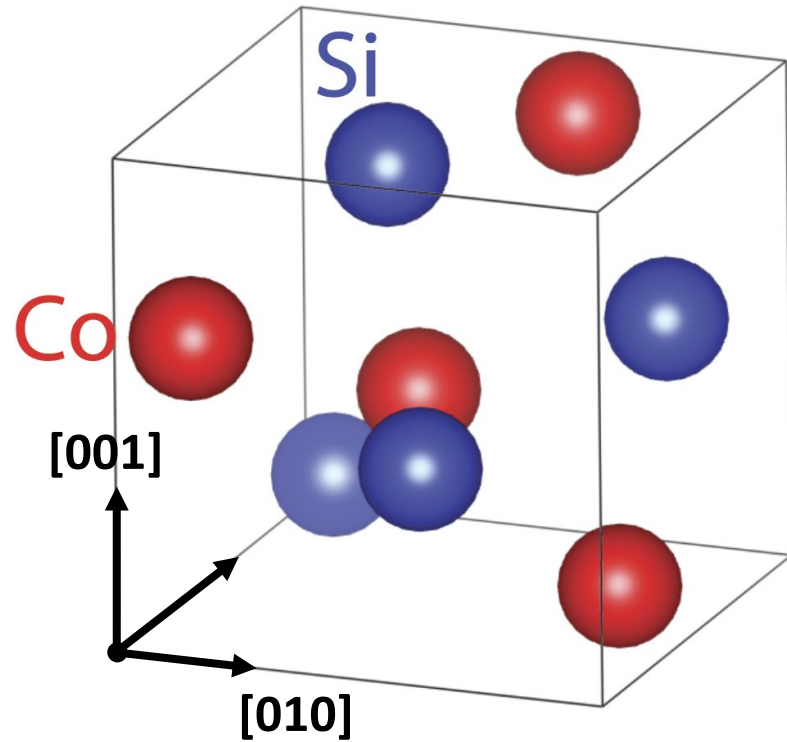


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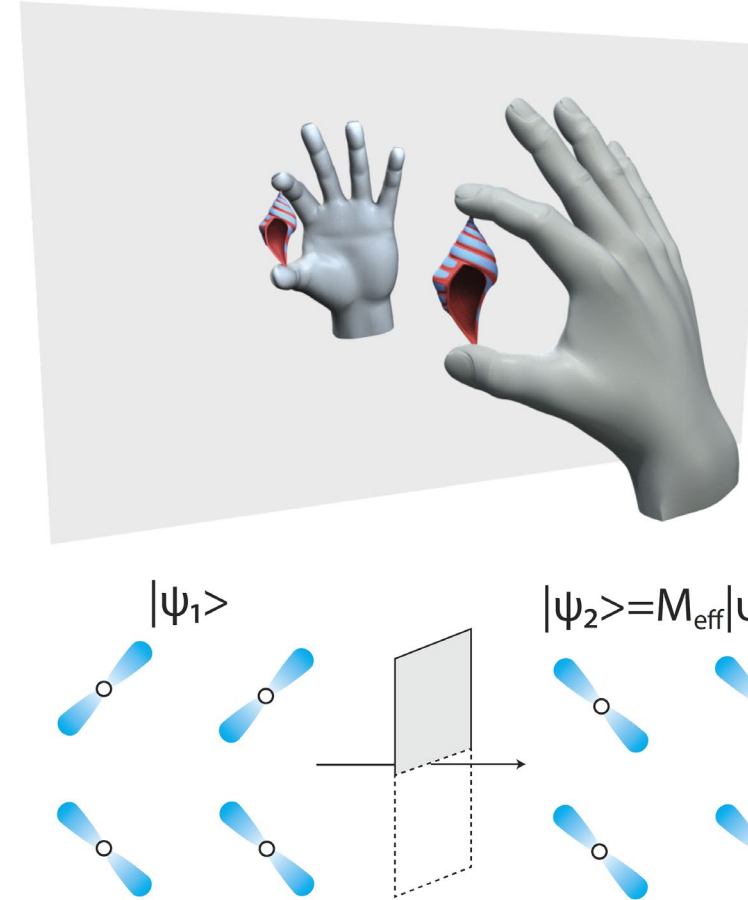


Quasi-symmetry operation: **Local** operation on **part** of the system.

Quasi-symmetry



(b) Quasi-symmetry operation



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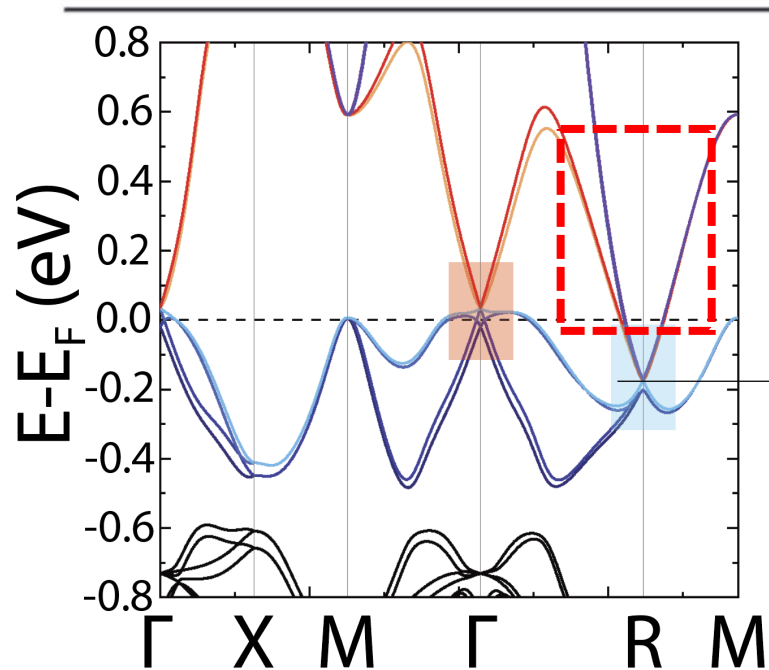
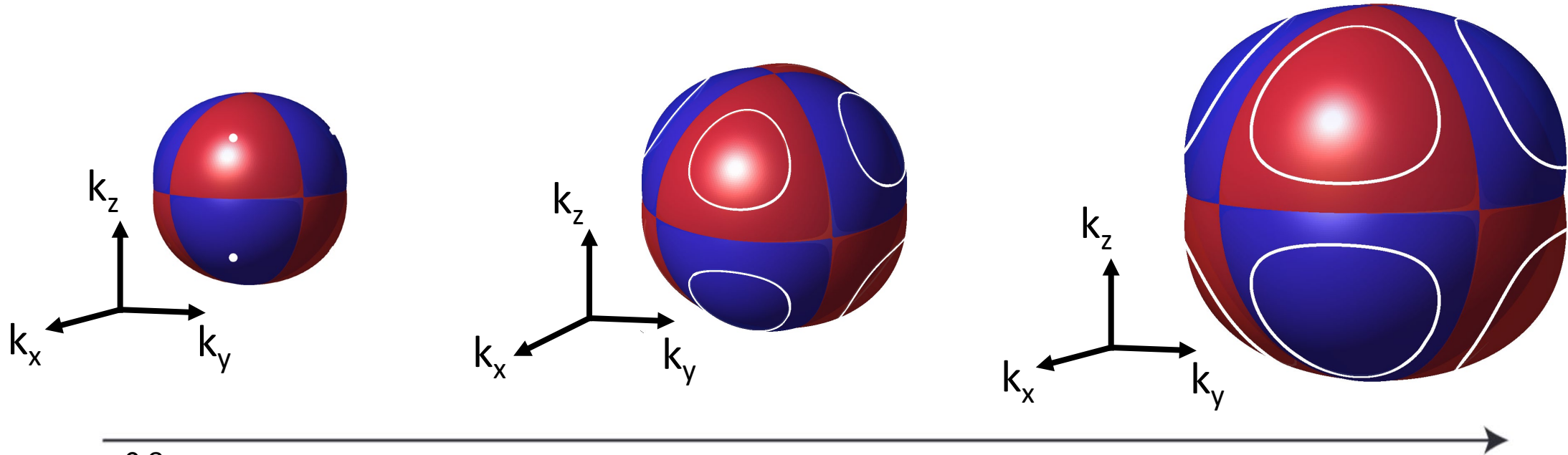
Breaking the chains of symmetry



Without the stringent symmetry requirements for real degeneracies, quasi-degeneracies can exist over wide ranges in energy and extended regions of k -space.

Neumann-Wigner theorem: two level system crossing needs three tuning parameters.

Importance of quasi-symmetry: giant Berry curvature

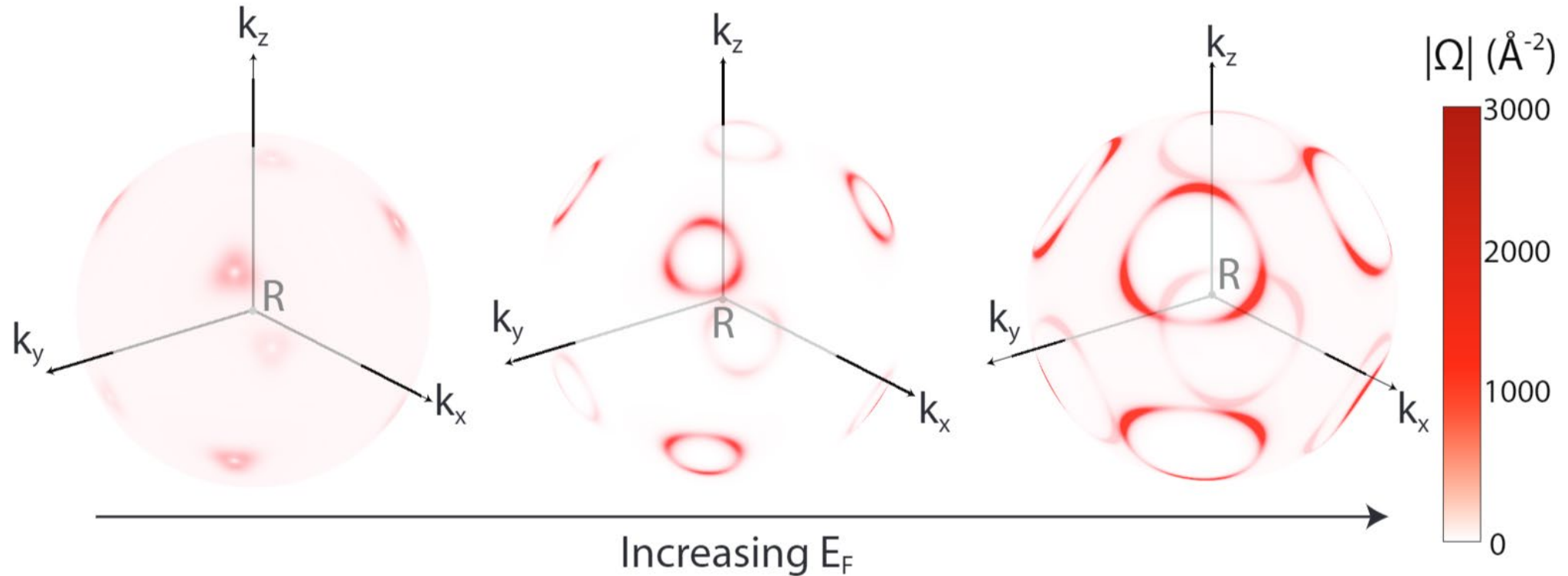


Increasing E_F

Quasi-degeneracies over wide range of energy and momentum

Multifold only at this one energy and momentum

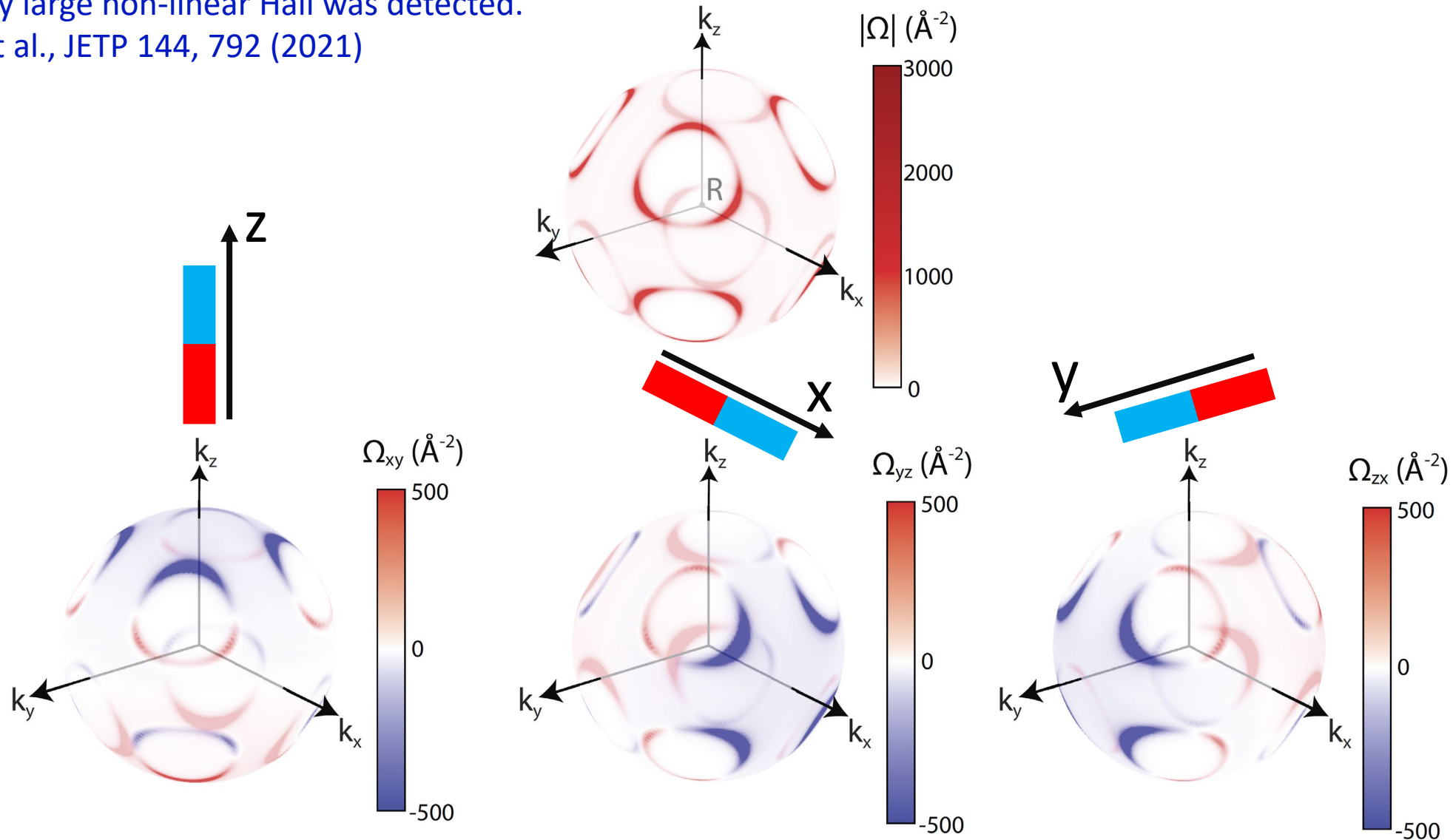
Importance of quasi-symmetry: giant Berry curvature



No chemical potential tuning required!

Importance of quasi-symmetry: giant Berry curvature *dipole*

Surprisingly large non-linear Hall was detected.
V.D. Esin et al., JETP 144, 792 (2021)



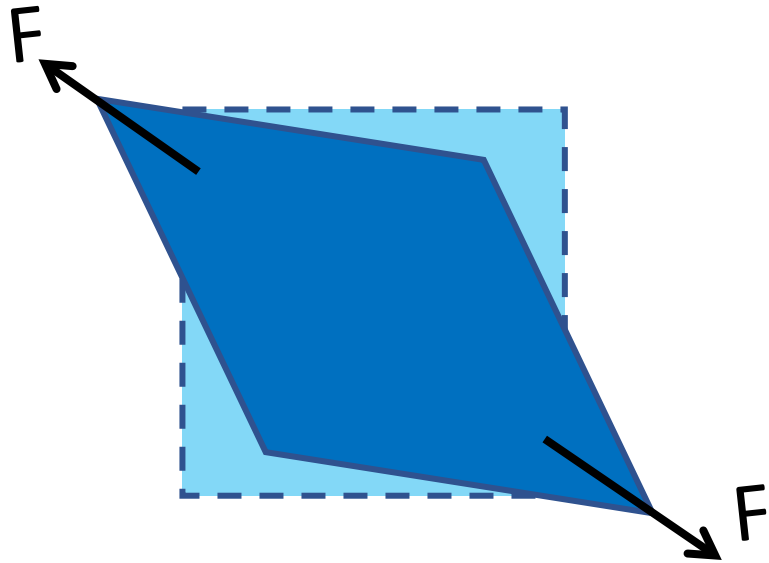
chiral-distribution of Berry curvature dipole (non-linear Hall effect)

Importance of quasi-symmetry: Robust against perturbations

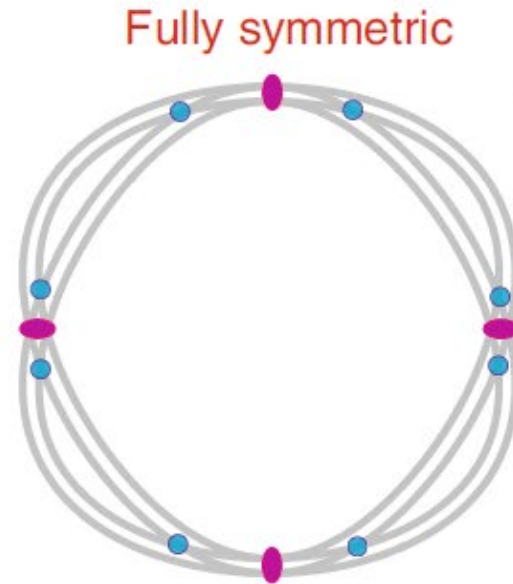
Space group 198

Symmetry operation: $C_{3,111}$, $C_{2x,2y,2z}$, σ_d

Tensile strain along $[11\bar{6}]$



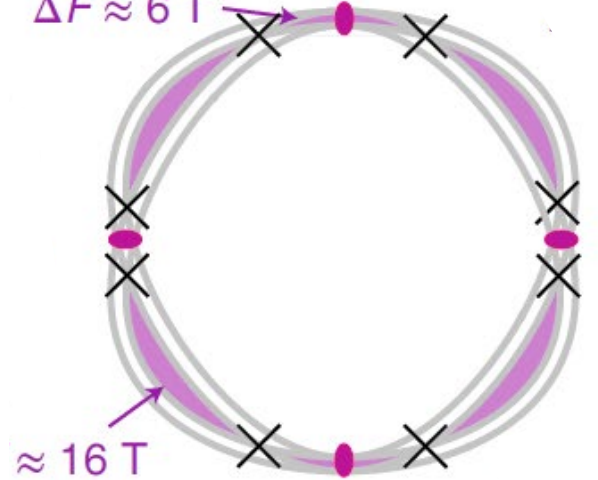
Symmetry-breaking: $C_{3,111}$ $C_{2x,y,z}$



Expected breakdown orbits

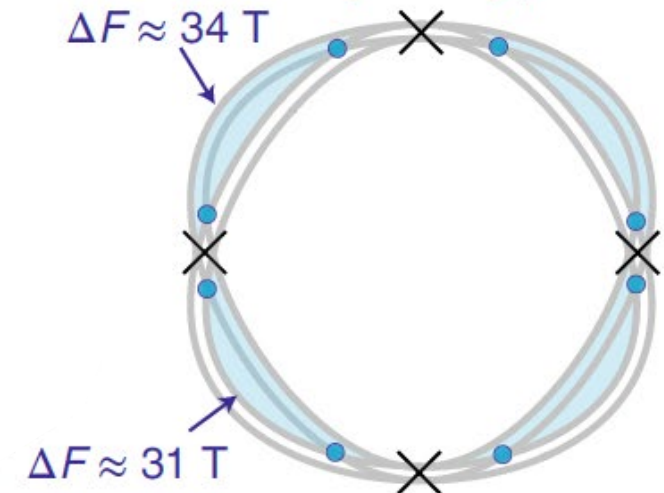
Crystalline symmetry preserved

$\Delta F \approx 6 \text{ T}$

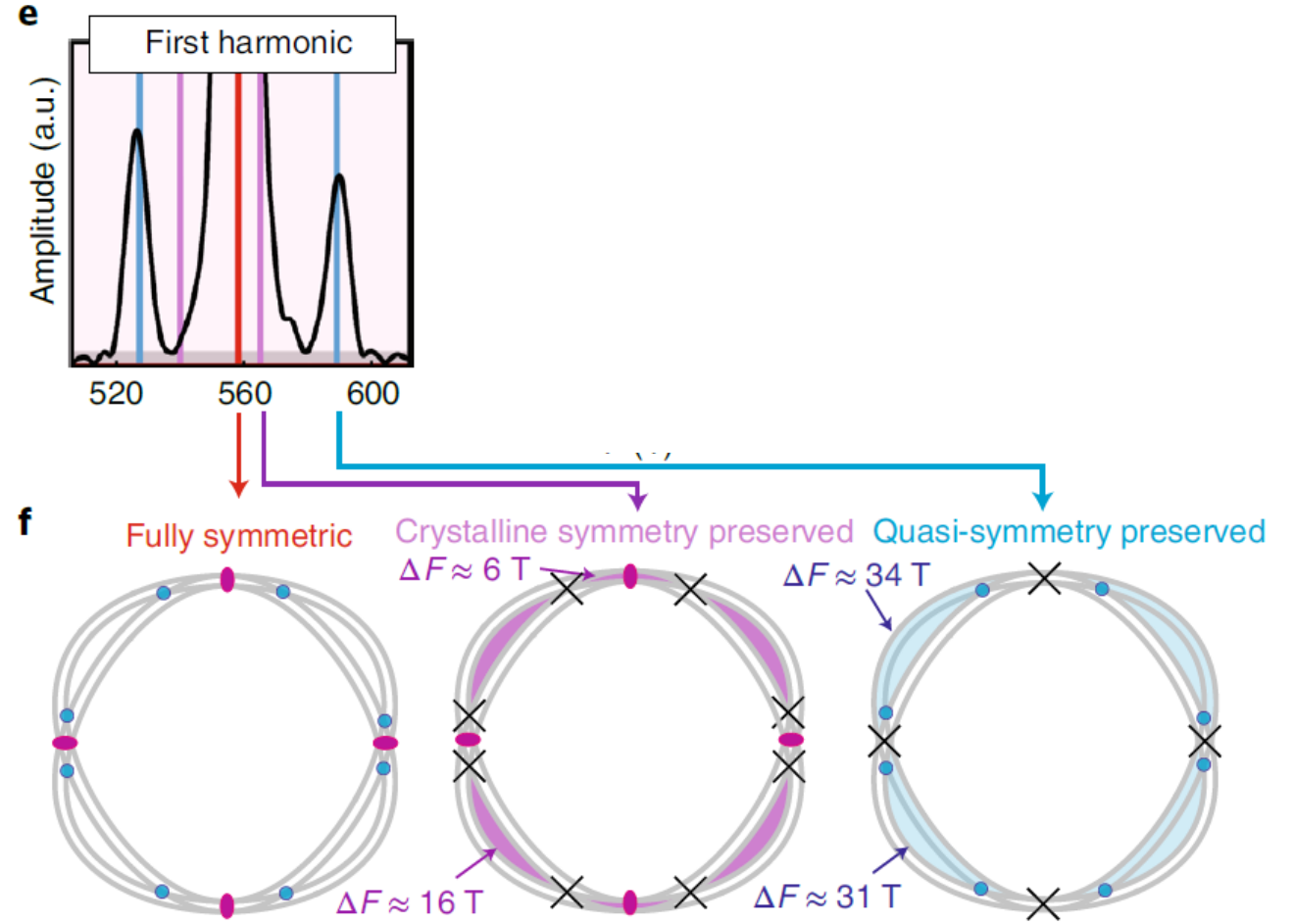
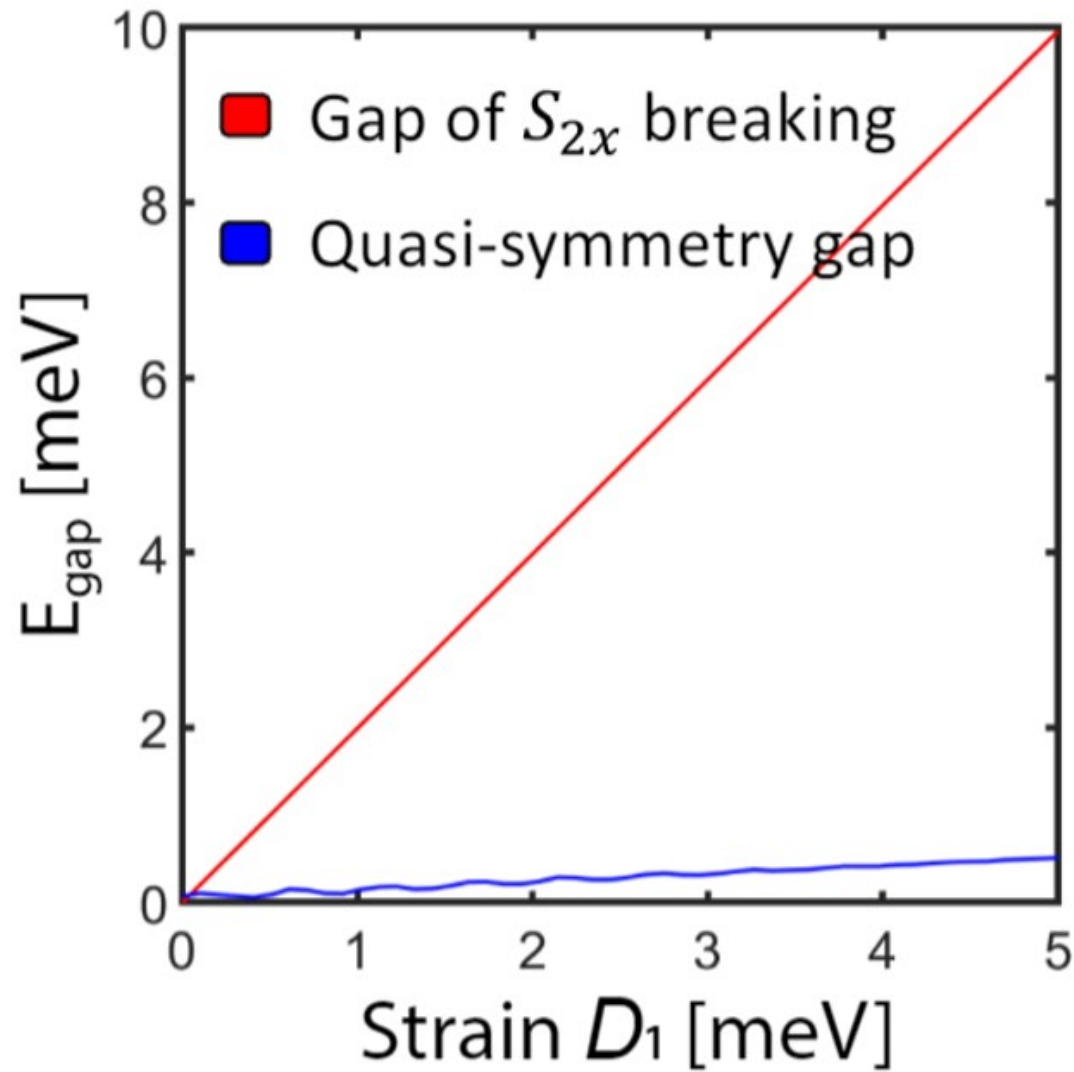


Quasi-symmetry preserved

$\Delta F \approx 34 \text{ T}$



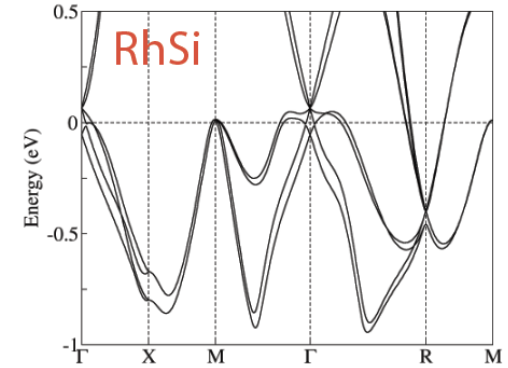
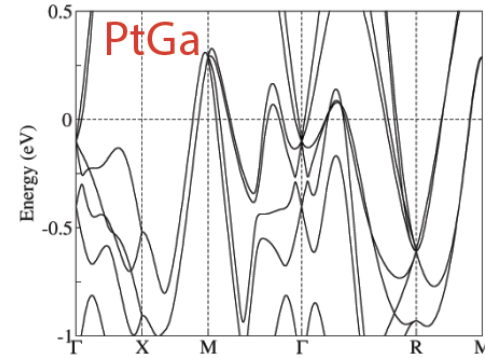
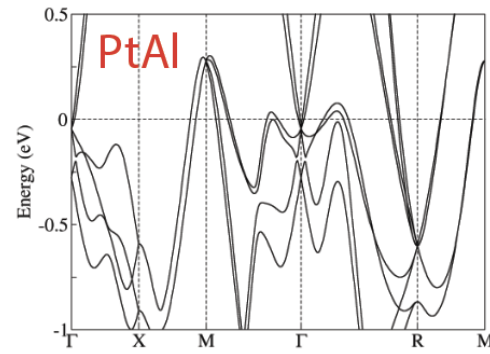
Quasi-symmetry robust against perturbations



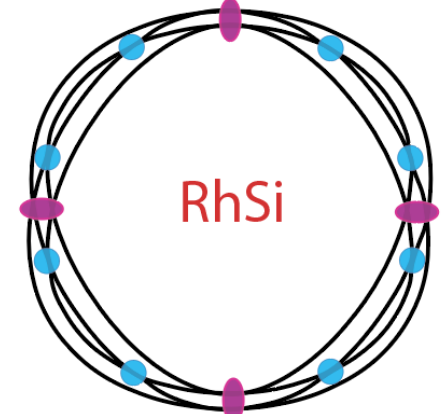
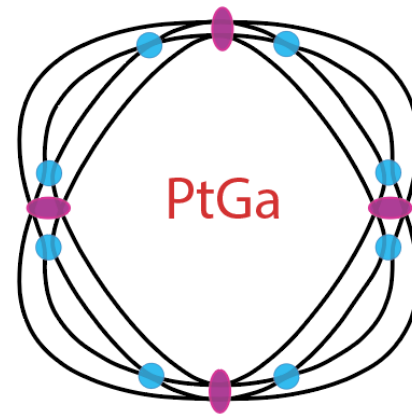
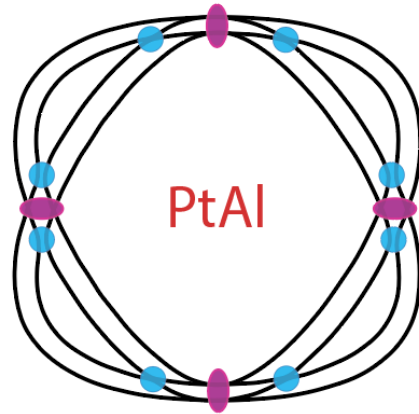
- Reminders: Approximate symmetries and hidden symmetries.
- The semi-metal CoSi is too simple
- What is a quasi-symmetry
- Growing classes of quasi-symmetric materials

Generality of quasi-symmetry

Band structure



Orbit along $[110]$



● Crystalline-symmetry-protected
● Quasi-symmetry-protected

Natural extension to other 11-compounds with the same crystalline structure.

Model/SG	kp model	Nodal plane	Material
I 19 R R1#R1	$\mathcal{H}_1 = A_1 k_x \sigma_3 \tau_3 + A_2 k_y \sigma_3 \tau_1 + A_3 k_z \sigma_0 \tau_2,$ $\mathcal{H}_2 = B_1 k_x^2 + B_2 k_y^2 + B_3 k_z^2 + k_x k_y (B_4 \sigma_3 \tau_2 + B_5 \sigma_2 \tau_0 + B_6 \sigma_1 \tau_0)$ $+ k_x k_z (B_7 \sigma_2 \tau_3 + B_8 \sigma_0 \tau_1 + B_9 \sigma_1 \tau_3) + k_y k_z (B_{10} \sigma_2 \tau_1 + B_{11} \sigma_0 \tau_3 + B_{12} \sigma_1 \tau_1),$ $\mathcal{H}_{\text{soc}} = \lambda_1 s_x \sigma_3 \tau_3 + \lambda_2 s_y \sigma_3 \tau_1 + \lambda_3 s_z \sigma_0 \tau_2.$	$(A_1 \lambda_1 k_x)^2 + (A_2 \lambda_2 k_y)^2 + (A_3 \lambda_3 k_z)^2 = (C_1^2 + C_2^2 + C_3^2) k_x^2 k_y^2 k_z^2.$ $C_1 = -A_1 B_{12} + A_2 B_9 + A_3 B_5, C_2 = A_1 B_{10} - A_2 B_7 + A_3 B_6$ $C_3 = A_1 B_{11} + A_2 B_8 + A_3 B_4.$	P7Th, GeMn, O32P4W8, CuErS2, CuS2Yb, La3MoO7, AgErSe2, AgSe2Yb, Ce2Ga3Ru2, C14FeNa, H5CuIO7, H5CuO5P, O8P2Rb2V, CuLiO9P3, CuNaO4P, MoNaO8P2, BiFeO9Se3, CuO5TiZr, BaClCuO4P
II 92 A A1#A2 96 A A1#A2	$\mathcal{H}_1 = A_1 (k_x \sigma_0 \tau_2 - k_y \sigma_3 \tau_1) + A_2 k_z \sigma_3 \tau_3,$ $\mathcal{H}_2 = B_1 (k_x^2 + k_y^2) + B_2 k_z^2 + (k_x^2 - k_y^2) (B_3 \sigma_2 \tau_1 + B_4 \sigma_1 \tau_1)$ $+ k_x k_z (B_5 \sigma_0 \tau_1 + B_6 \sigma_1 \tau_0 + B_7 \sigma_2 \tau_0) + k_y k_z (B_5 \sigma_3 \tau_2 - B_6 \sigma_2 \tau_3 + B_7 \sigma_1 \tau_3)$ $\mathcal{H}_{\text{soc}} = \lambda_1 (s_x \sigma_0 \tau_2 - s_y \sigma_3 \tau_1) + \lambda_2 s_z \sigma_3 \tau_3.$	$(A_1 \lambda_1)^2 (k_x^2 + k_y^2) + (A_2 \lambda_2)^2 k_z^2 = (C_1^2 + C_2^2) k_x^2 k_y^2 k_z^2$ $C_1 = A_1 B_6 + A_2 B_3 \text{ and } C_2 = -A_1 B_7 + A_2 B_4$	MnO8PbS2, Si4V5, Ce5Si4, La5Si4, Mn5Si2, Nb5Si4, Rh5Si2, Si4Ta5, Si4Ti5, FeK3O2, K3NiO2, FeNaO2, NiO2Rb3, Sc2Si4V3, Cr3Sc2Si4, Re3Sc2Si4,
III 198 R R1#R3	$\mathcal{H}_1 = A_1 (k_x \sigma_3 \tau_1 - k_y \sigma_0 \tau_2 - k_z \sigma_3 \tau_3),$ $\mathcal{H}_2 = B_1 (k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2) + k_x k_y (-2B_2 \sigma_2 \tau_1 - B_3 \sigma_0 \tau_3 + 2B_4 \sigma_1 \tau_1)$ $+ k_x k_z \left[B_2 (\sigma_1 \tau_0 - \sqrt{3} \sigma_2 \tau_0) - B_3 \sigma_3 \tau_2 + B_4 (\sqrt{3} \sigma_1 \tau_0 + \sigma_2 \tau_0) \right]$ $+ k_y k_z \left[B_2 (-\sqrt{3} \sigma_1 \tau_3 + \sigma_2 \tau_3) + B_3 \sigma_0 \tau_1 + B_4 (-\sigma_1 \tau_3 - \sqrt{3} \sigma_2 \tau_3) \right]$ $\mathcal{H}_{\text{soc}} = \lambda_1 (s_x \sigma_3 \tau_1 - s_y \sigma_0 \tau_2 - s_z \sigma_3 \tau_3).$	$\lambda_1^2 (k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2) = B_3^2 k_x^2 k_y^2 k_z^2$	F2Pd, FeP, AlAu4, AlCu4, AlPd, AlPt, Al7Sr8, AuBe, CoGe, CoSi, GaPd, GaPt, GeMn, GeRh, HfSn, MnSi, NiSi, ReSi, RhSi, RhSn, SiTc, NiPS, AsNiS, AsPdS, BaPPt, ClNaO3, NiSSb, PdSSb, PtSSb, AlAuBa, AsNiSe, AsPdSe, AuBaGa, BaGePt, BaPdSi, BaPtSi, BiNiSe, BiPdSe, BiPdTe, BiPtSe, BiPtTe, FePtSb, IrLaSi, IrNdSi, LaRhSi, NiSbSe, PdSbSe, PdSbTe, PdSiSr, PtSbSe, C3H3LiMnO6,
IV 198 R R2#R2	$\mathcal{H}_1 = A_1 (k_x \sigma_3 \tau_1 - k_y \sigma_0 \tau_2 - k_z \sigma_3 \tau_3),$ $\mathcal{H}_2 = B_1 (k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2) + k_x k_y (B_2 \sigma_2 \tau_1 + B_3 \sigma_0 \tau_3 + B_4 \sigma_1 \tau_1)$ $+ k_x k_z (B_2 \sigma_1 \tau_0 + B_3 \sigma_3 \tau_2 - B_4 \sigma_2 \tau_0) + k_y k_z (B_2 \sigma_2 \tau_3 - B_3 \sigma_0 \tau_1 + B_4 \sigma_1 \tau_3).$ $\mathcal{H}_{\text{soc}} = \lambda_1 (s_x \sigma_3 \tau_1 - s_y \sigma_0 \tau_2 - s_z \sigma_3 \tau_3).$	$\lambda_1^2 (k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2) = 9(B_2^2 + B_3^2 + B_4^2) k_x^2 k_y^2 k_z^2.$	SiV, Al2Sr3, Ba8Ga7, CrGe, CrSi, Ga7Sr8, HfSb, SbZr, SiTa, AuGaV3, BalrP, Cu2O4Se, EulerP, IrPSr, AsBaPt, AuGaNb3, AuGaTa3, CaPtSi, CelrSi, CrPtSb, EuGePt, EuPdSi, EuPtSi, GePtSr, PtSiSr,
V 212 R R1#R2 213 R R1#R2	$\mathcal{H}_1 = A_1 (k_x \sigma_3 \tau_1 - k_y \sigma_0 \tau_2 - k_z \sigma_3 \tau_3),$ $\mathcal{H}_2 = B_1 (k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2) + k_x k_y (B_2 \sigma_2 \tau_1 + B_3 \sigma_1 \tau_1)$ $+ k_x k_z (B_2 \sigma_1 \tau_0 - B_3 \sigma_2 \tau_0) + k_y k_z (B_2 \sigma_2 \tau_3 + B_3 \sigma_1 \tau_3),$ $\mathcal{H}_{\text{soc}} = \lambda_1 (s_x \sigma_3 \tau_1 - s_y \sigma_0 \tau_2 - s_z \sigma_3 \tau_3).$	$\lambda_1^2 (k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2) = 9(B_2^2 + B_3^2) k_x^2 k_y^2 k_z^2.$	Mo3NPd2, CaI2Ta3, CaI2Nb3, Al2NNb3, Ag3AuS2, Ga2NV3, C7V8, C5Zr8,
VI 212 R R3 213 R R3	$\mathcal{H}_1 = A_1 (k_x \sigma_0 \tau_1 - k_y \sigma_3 \tau_2 - k_z \sigma_3 \tau_3),$ $\mathcal{H}_2 = B_1 (k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2) + B_2 (k_x k_y \sigma_0 \tau_3 + k_x k_z \sigma_0 \tau_2 - k_y k_z \sigma_3 \tau_1)$ $+ B_3 \left[2k_x k_y \sigma_1 \tau_2 + k_x k_z (\sqrt{3} \sigma_2 \tau_3 + \sigma_1 \tau_3) + k_y k_z (\sqrt{3} \sigma_1 \tau_0 + \sigma_2 \tau_0) \right]$ $\mathcal{H}_{\text{soc}} = \lambda_1 (s_x \sigma_0 \tau_1 - s_y \sigma_3 \tau_2 - s_z \sigma_3 \tau_3).$	$\lambda_1^2 (k_x^2 + k_y^2 + k_z^2) = 9B_2^2 k_x^2 k_y^2 k_z^2.$	Mo3NPt2, Mo3NNi2, Co2Mo3N, CMo3Re2, CrE2W3, Mn2Zn8, Mg3Ru2, Fe2Re3, Au2Nb3, Ga2V3, Mn, C2Na, BLi2Pd3, BLi2Pt3, Ge3Li2NiO8, Li2MgMn3O8,

Generality of quasi-symmetry

Various promising candidates:

Chiral semimetals (SG 198):

FeP, AlCu₄, AlPd, AlPt, AuBe, **CoGe**, **CoSi**, GaPd, GaPt, **GeMn**, GeRh, HfSn, **MnSi**, NiSi, ReSi, RhSi, RhSn, SiTc...

Kondo semimetals:

YbCuS₂, YbAgSe₂, CeRu₂Ga₃, CeIrSi, EuPtSi...

Superconductors:

Li₂Pd₃B, Li₂Pt₃B, CrAs (@1GPa), LaRhSi, CaPtSi...

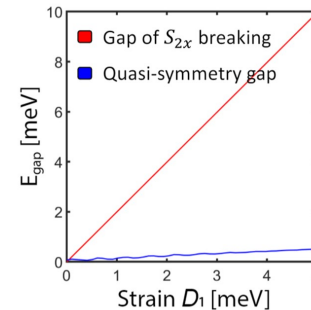
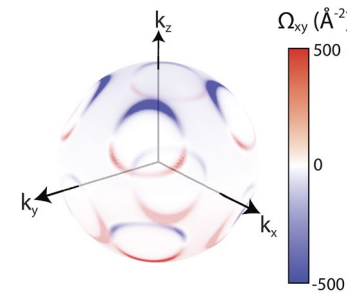
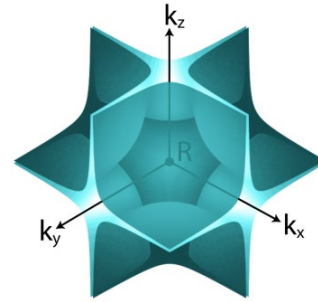
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Quasi-symmetry

- A new flavor of topological matter.
- A general distribution of Berry curvature dipole.
- A new class of topological materials with remarkable resilience to perturbations (strain etc.).



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