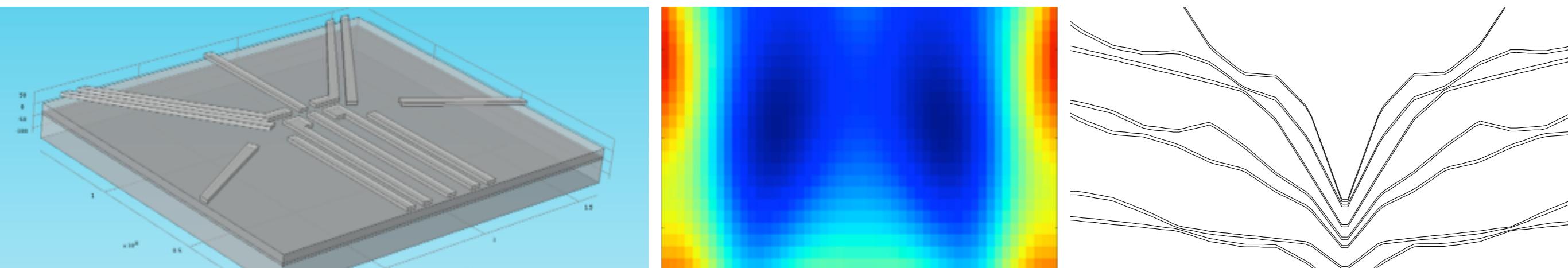


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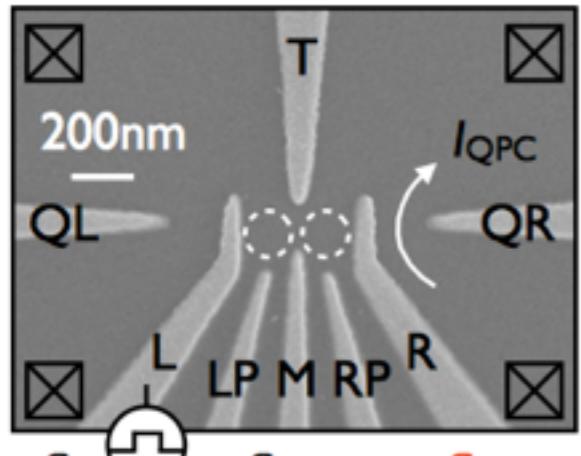


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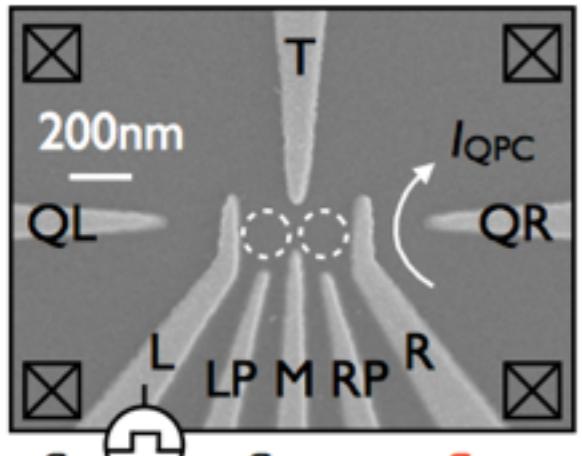


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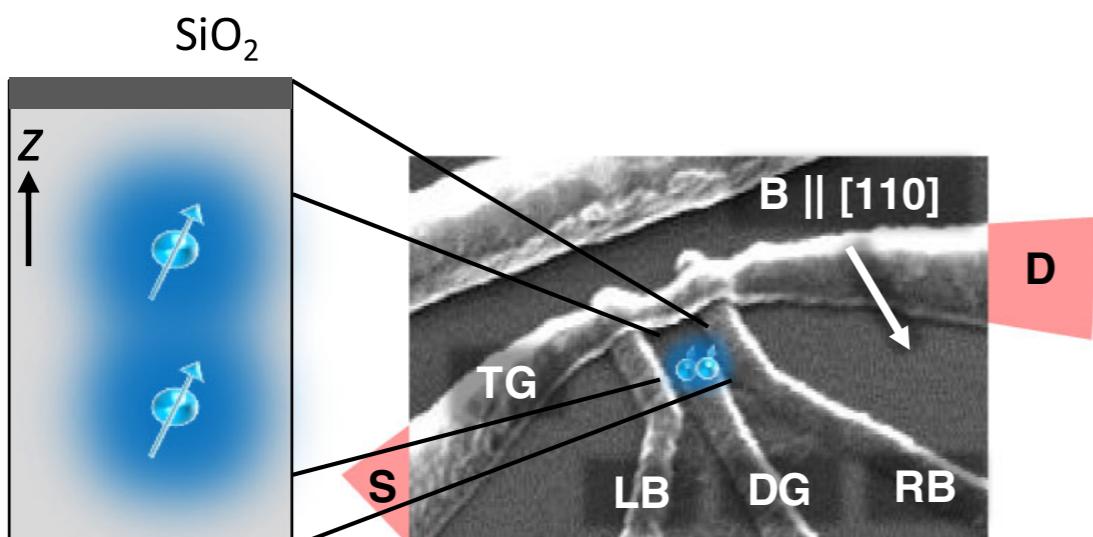


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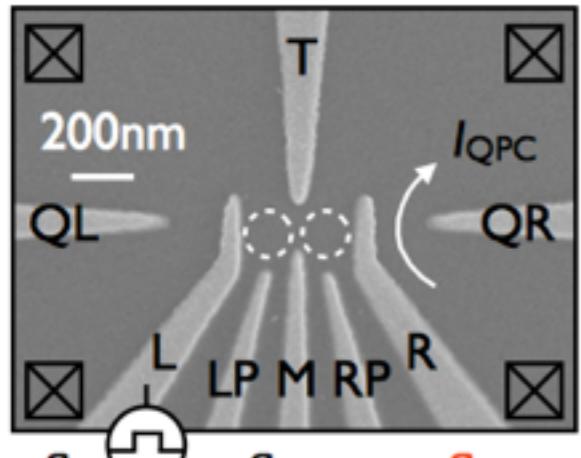


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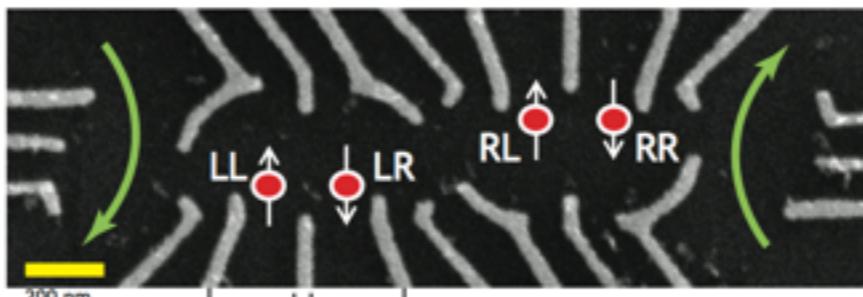


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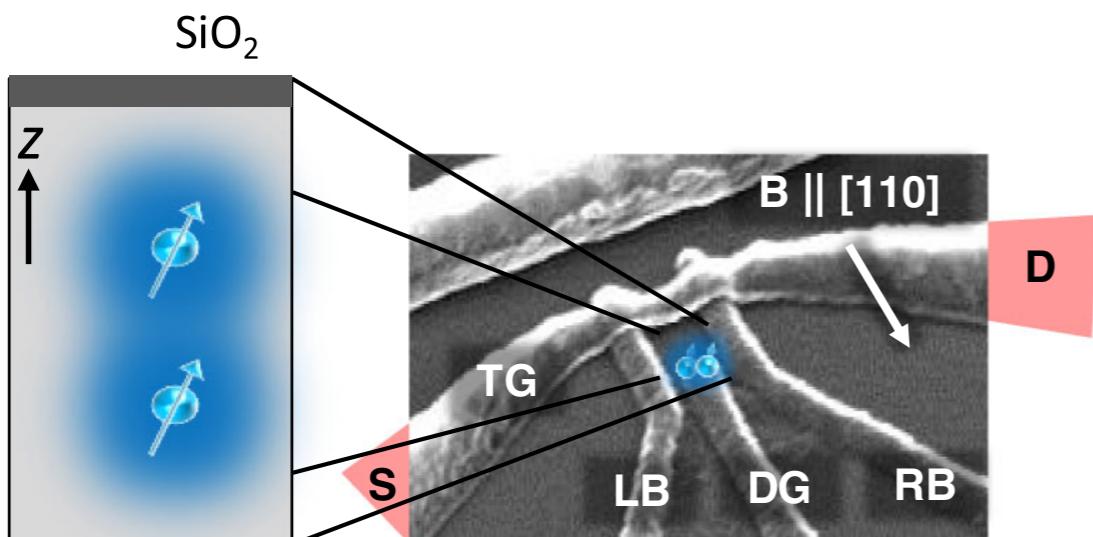
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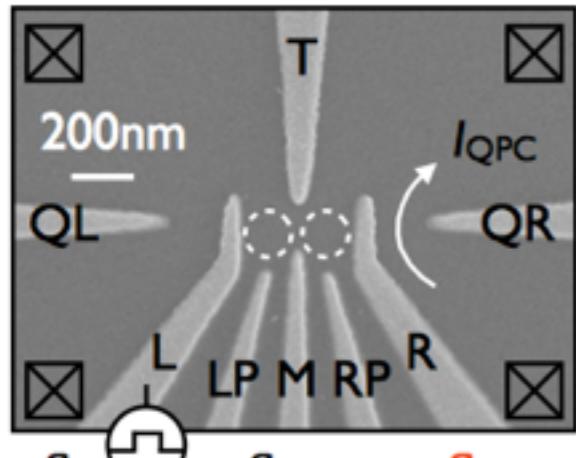


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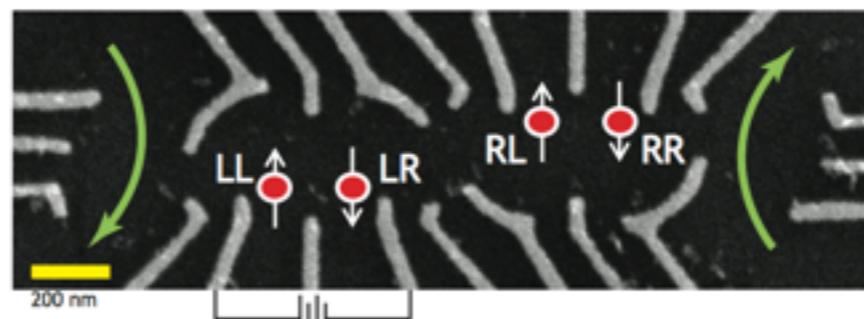


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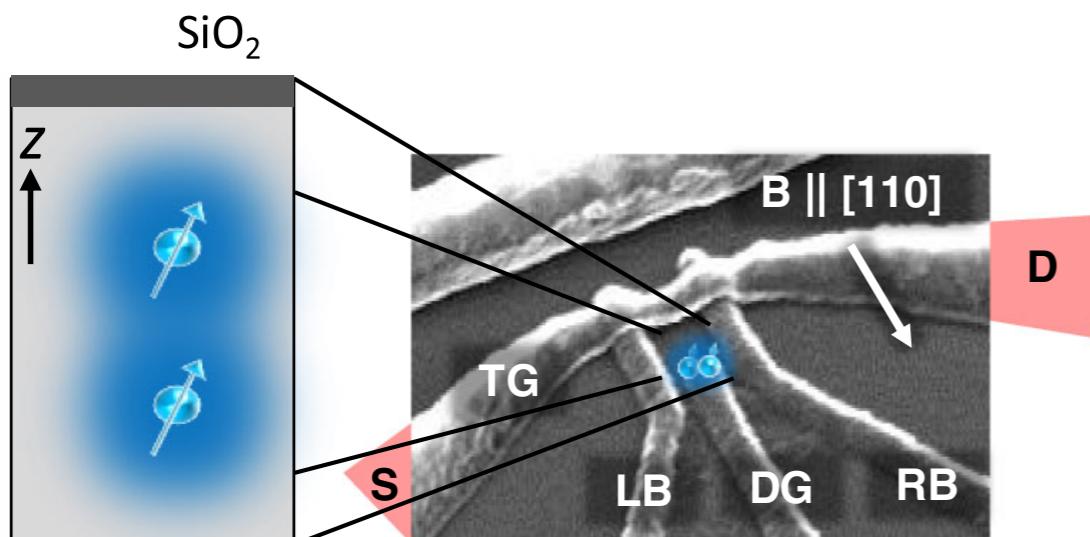
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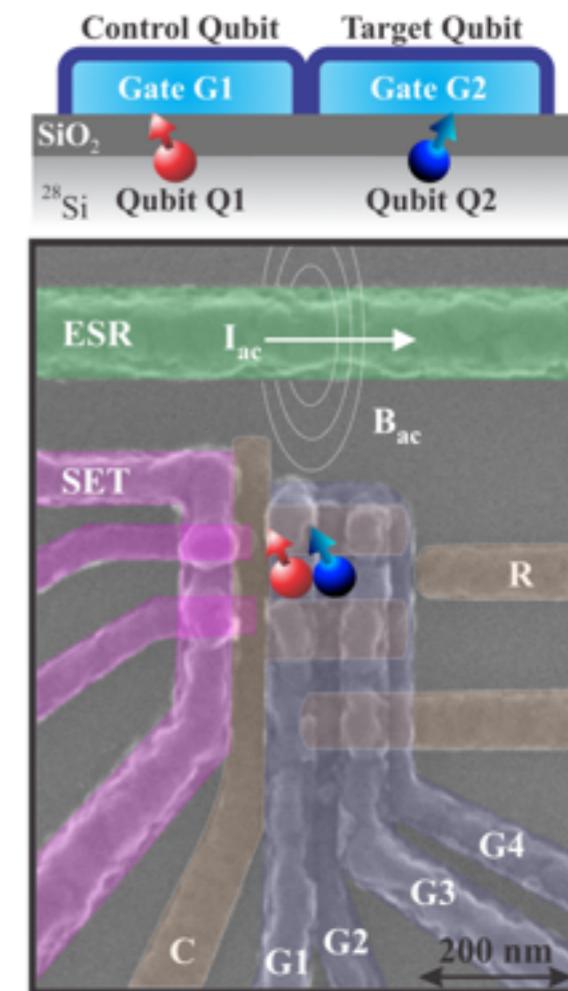
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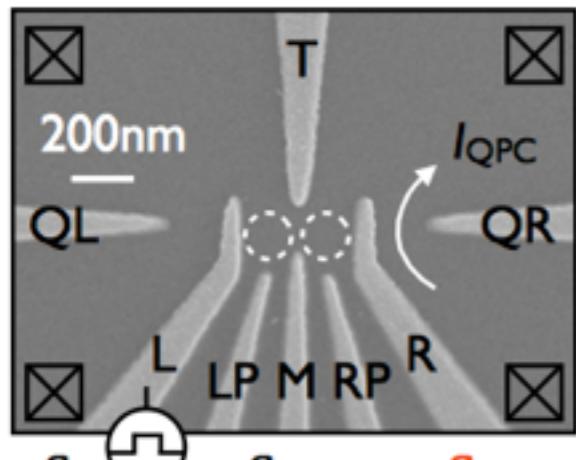


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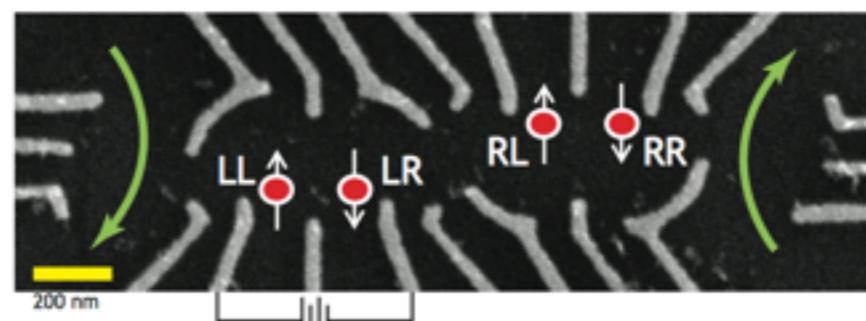


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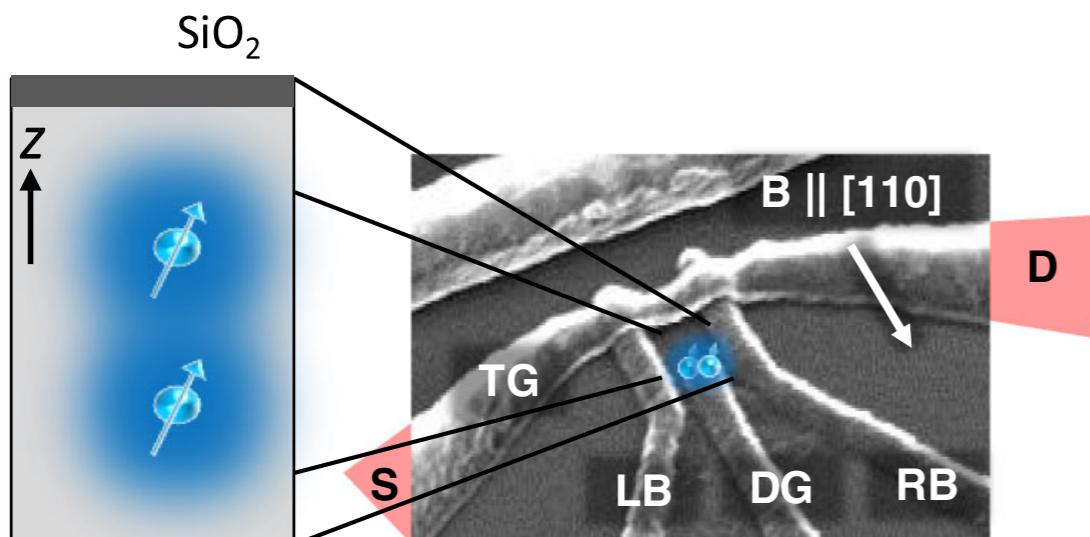
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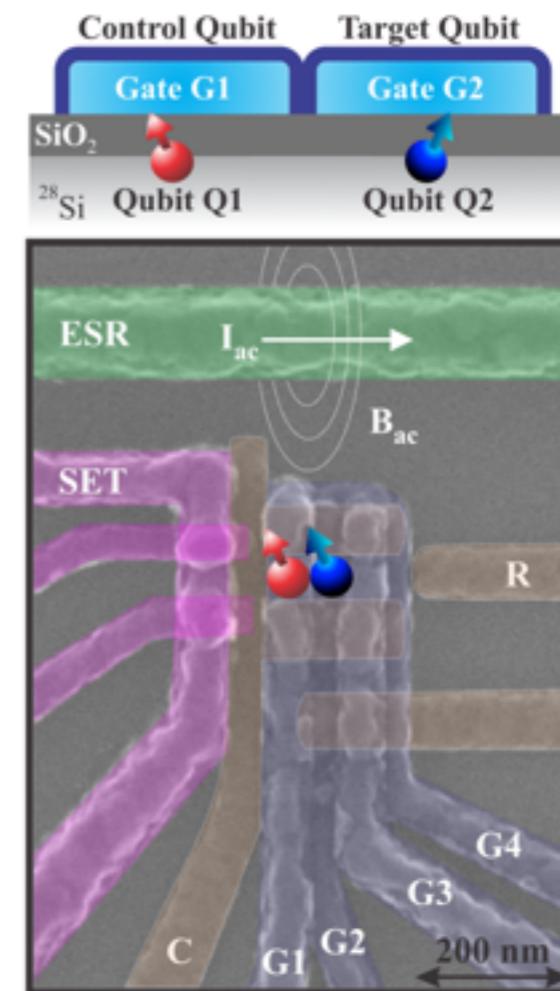
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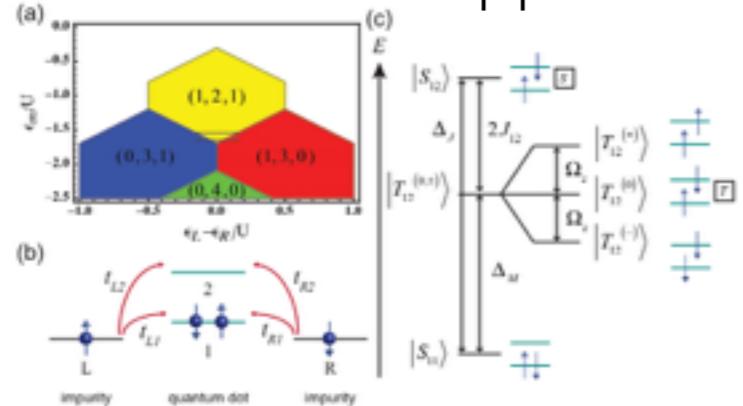
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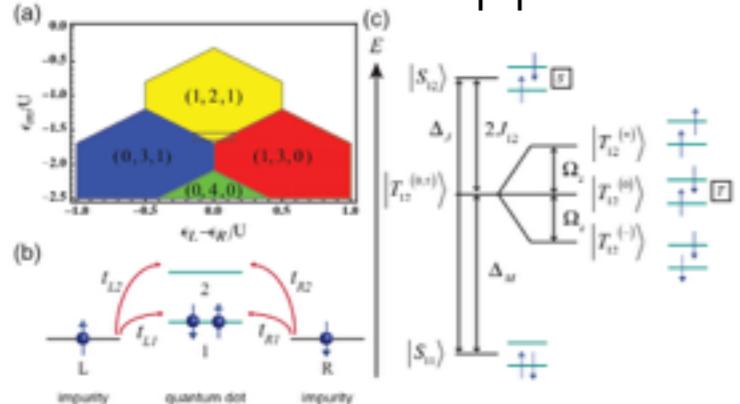


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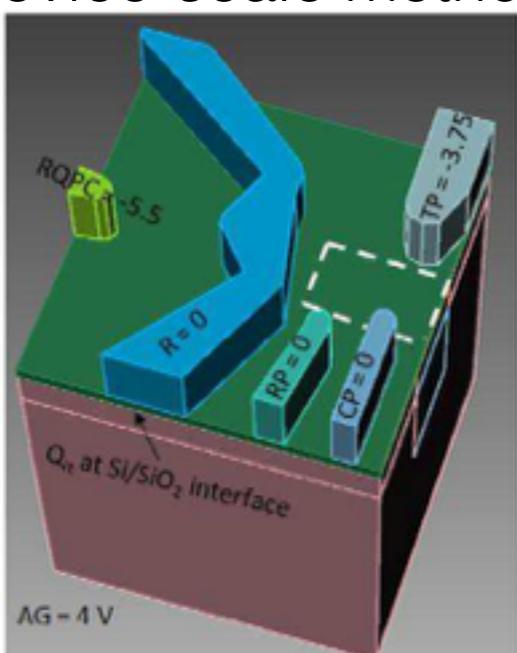
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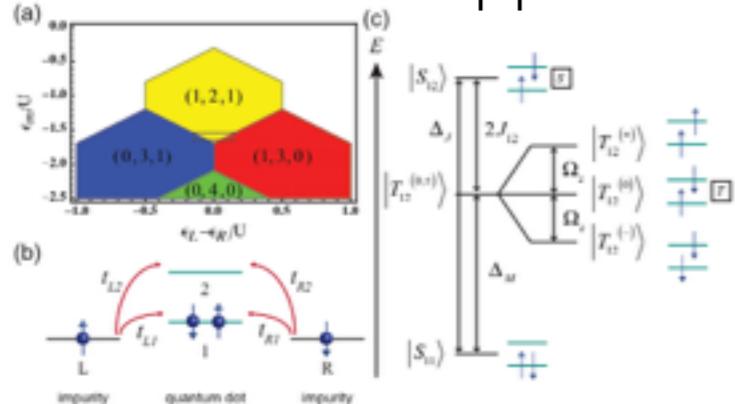
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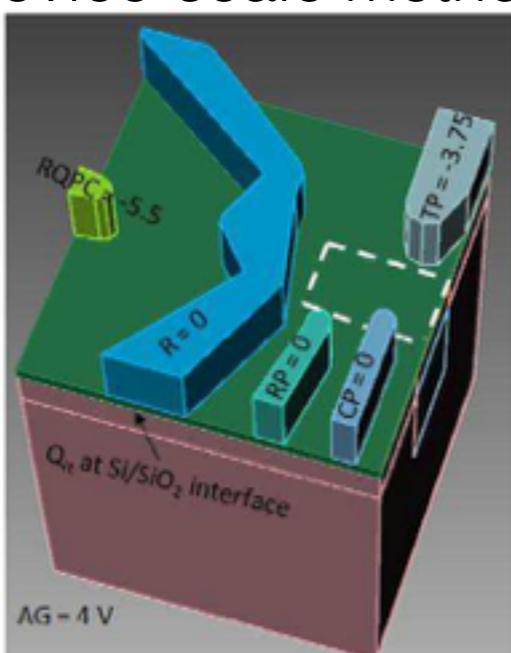
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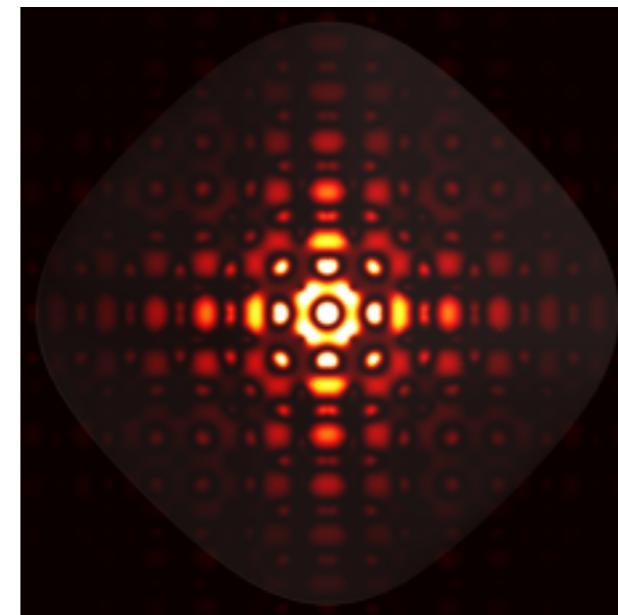
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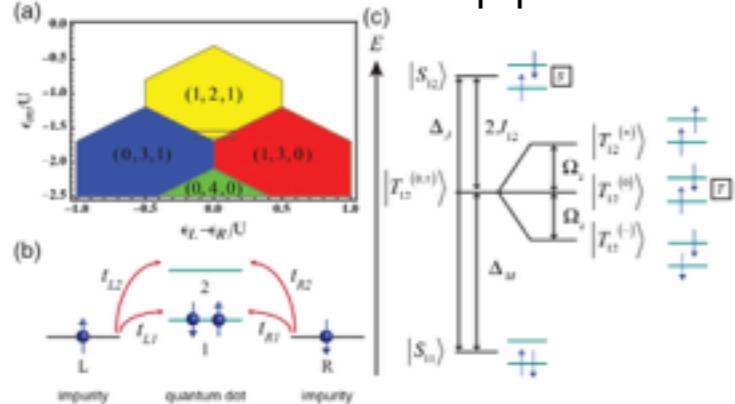
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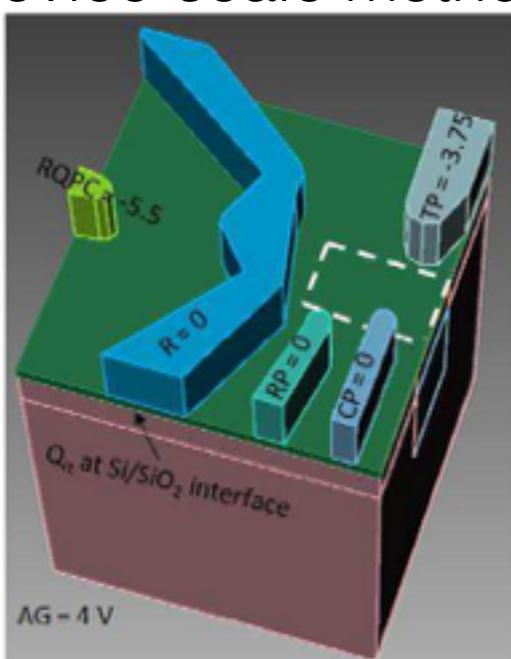
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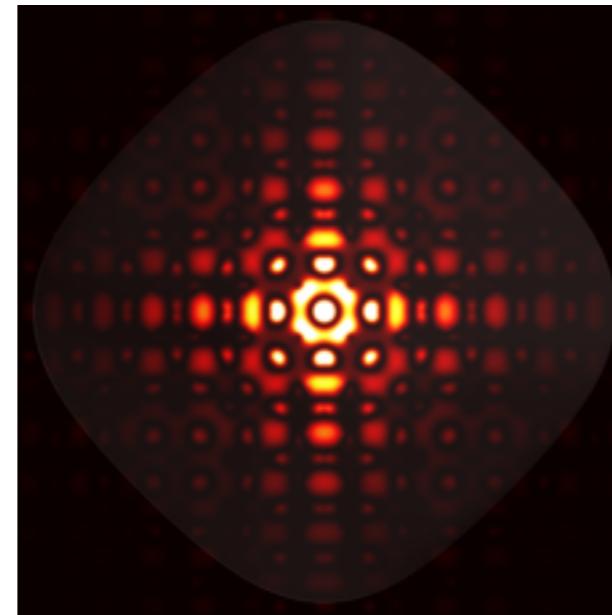
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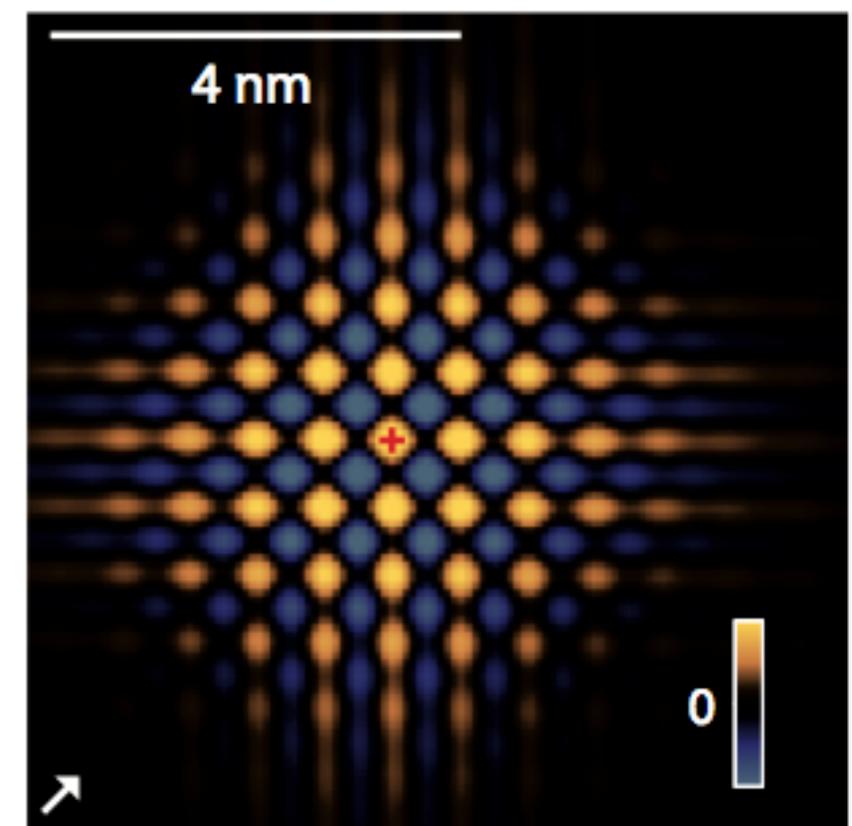
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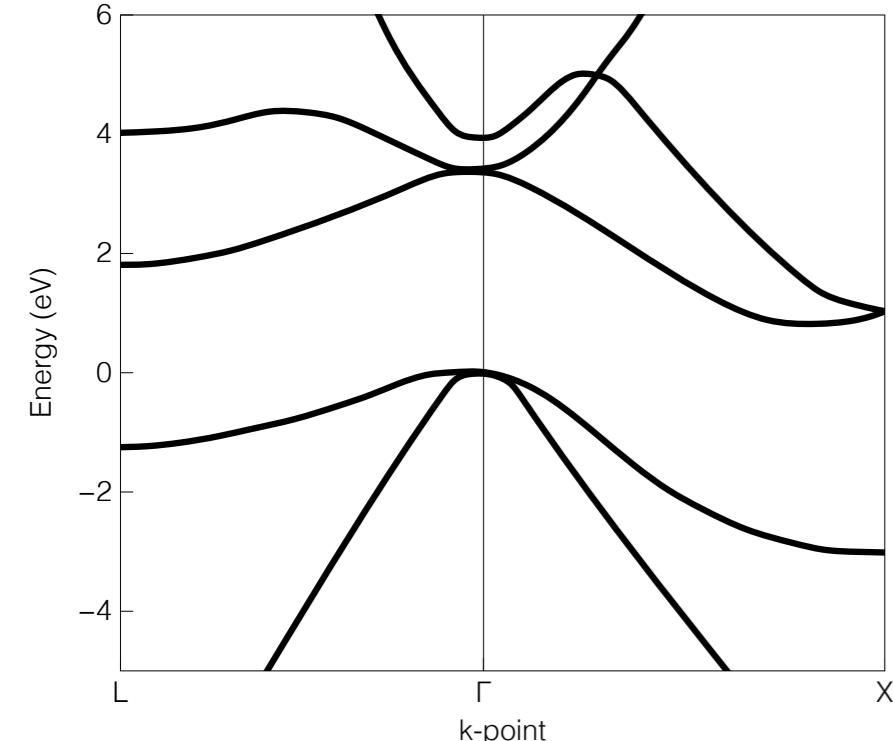


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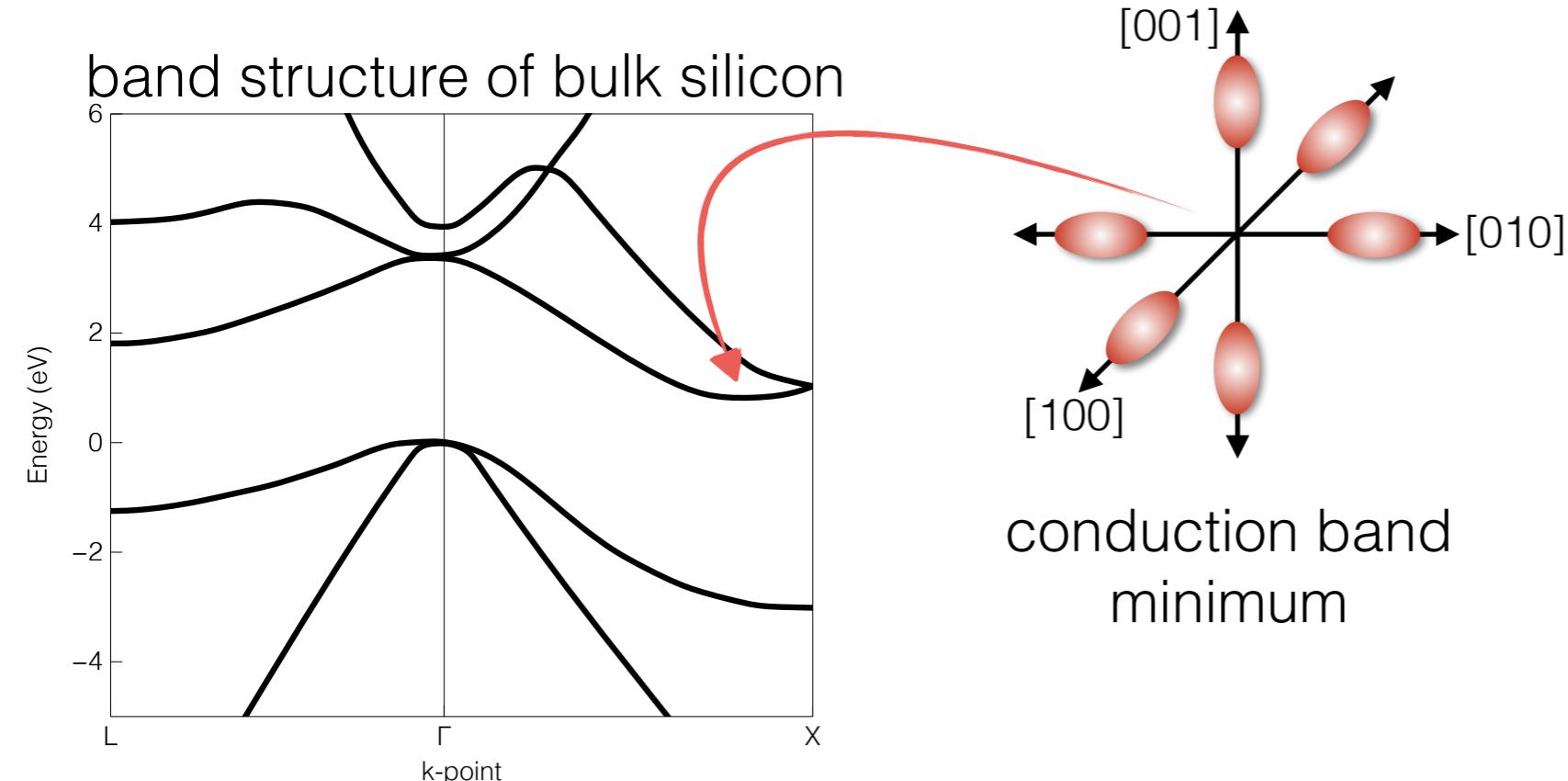
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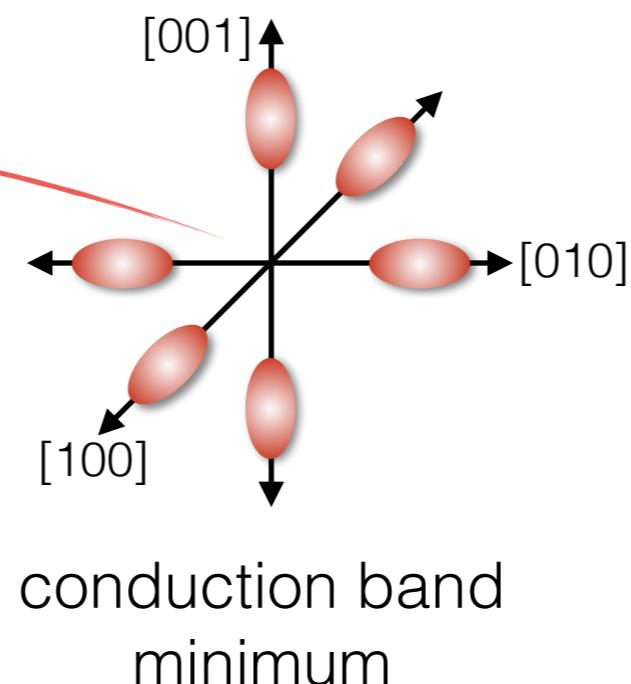
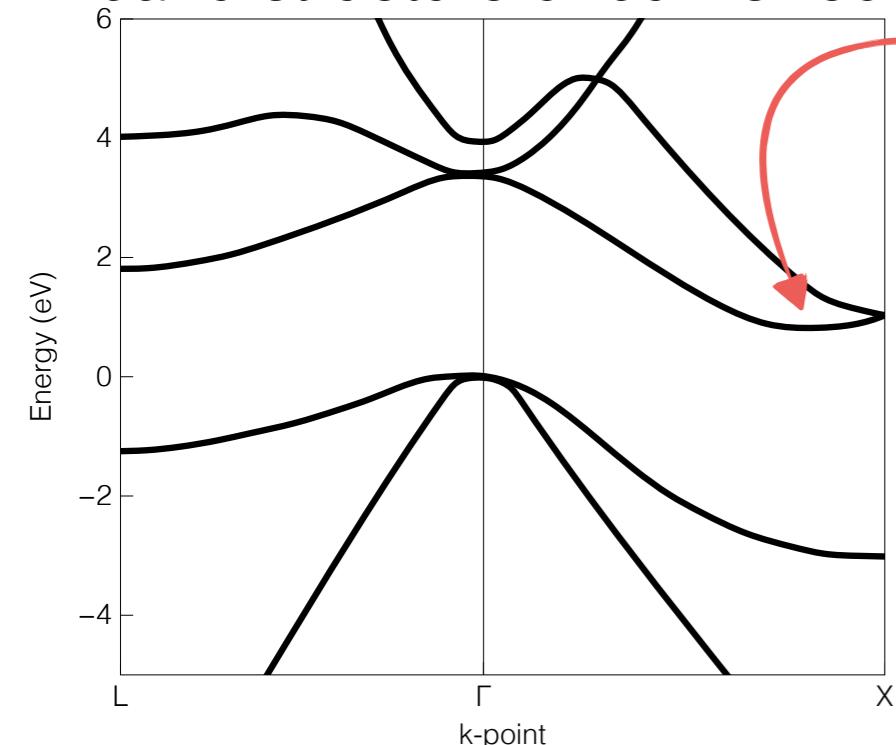


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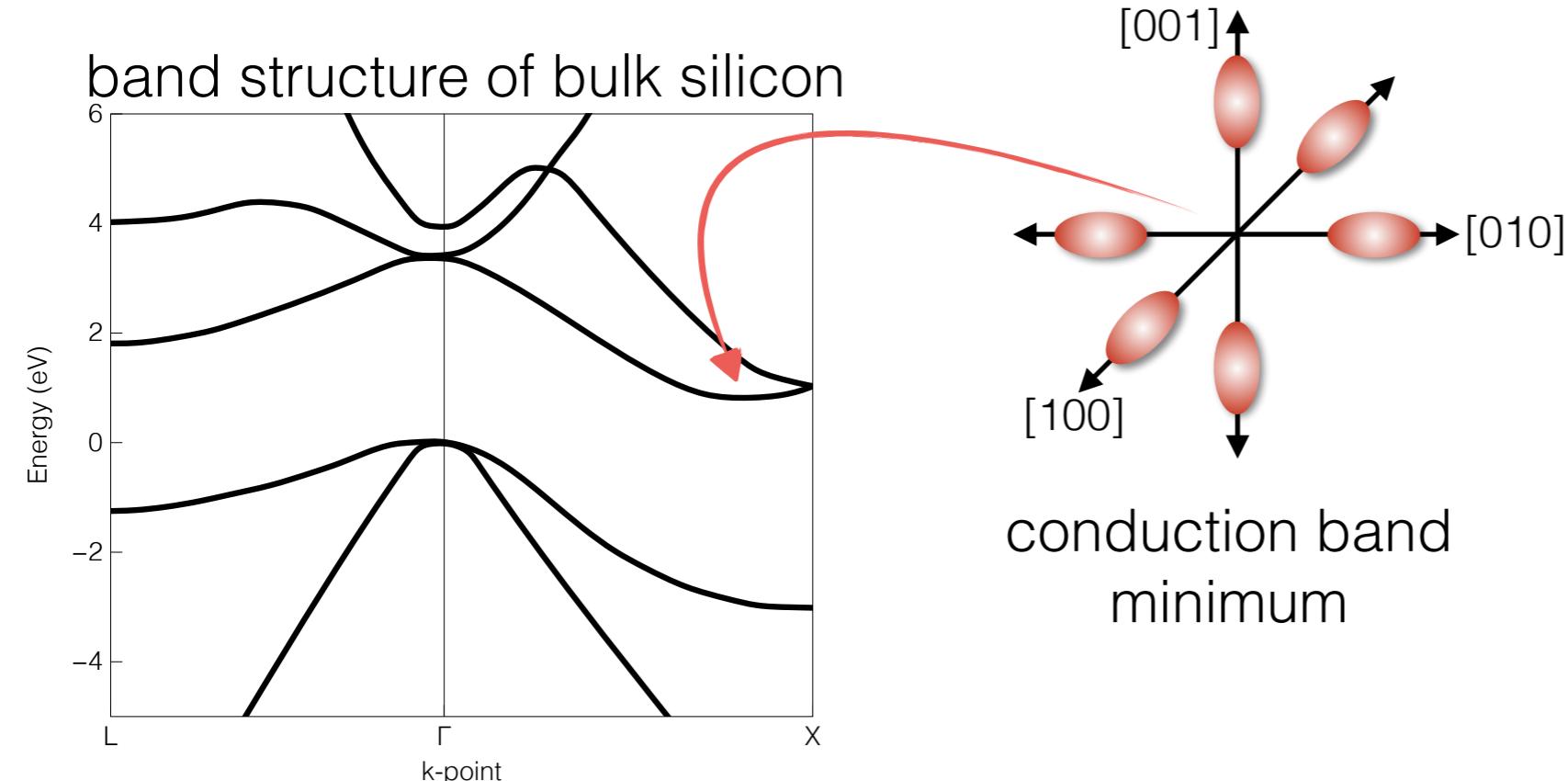
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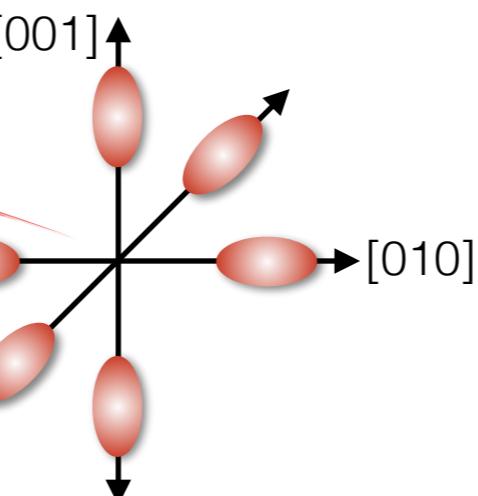
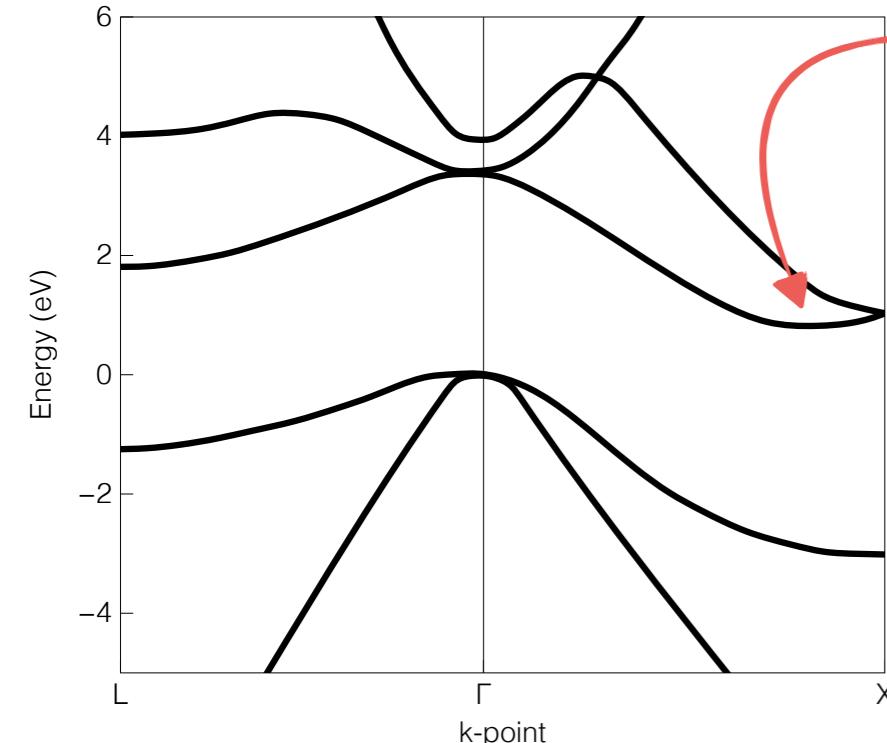
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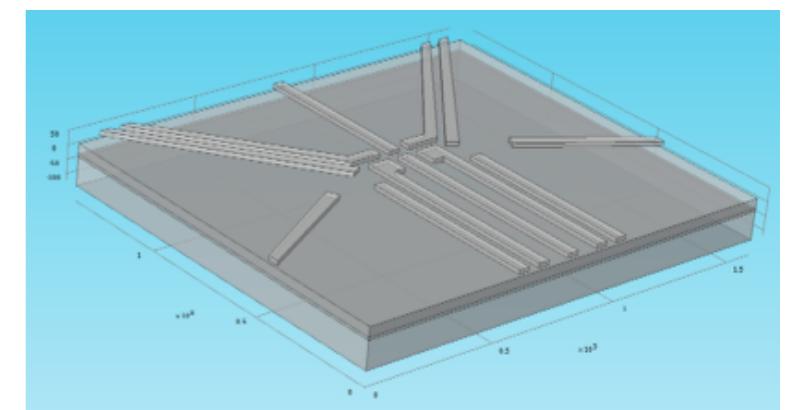
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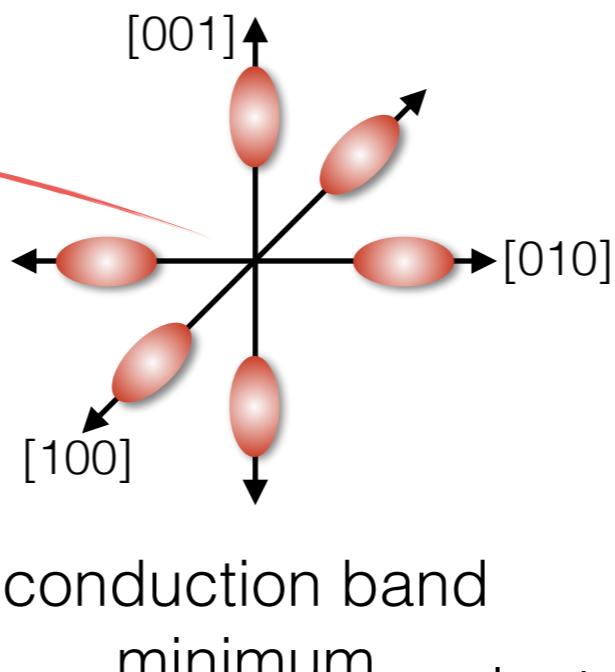
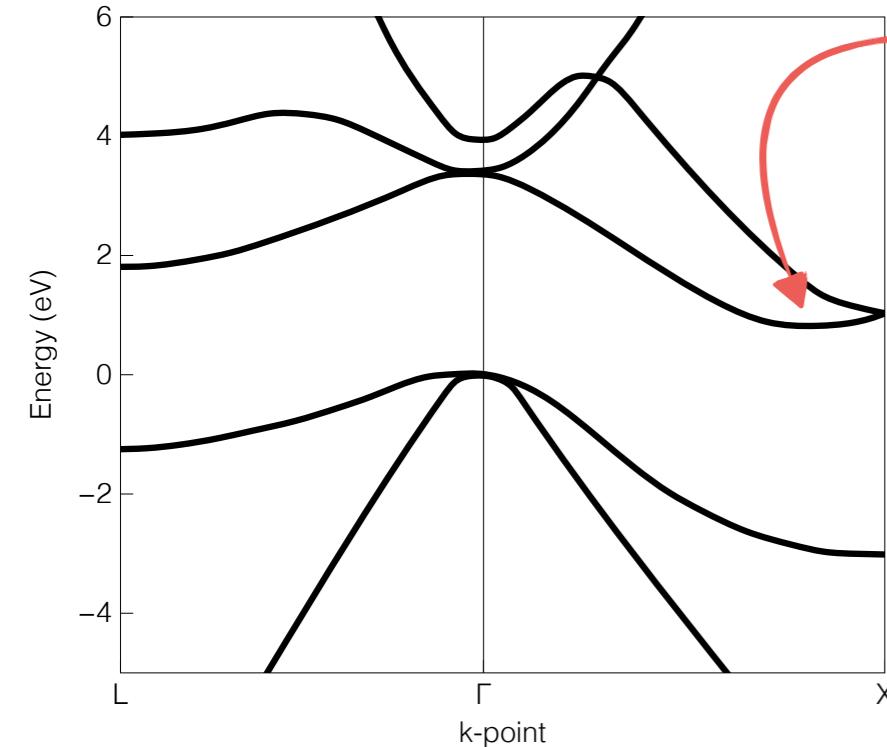
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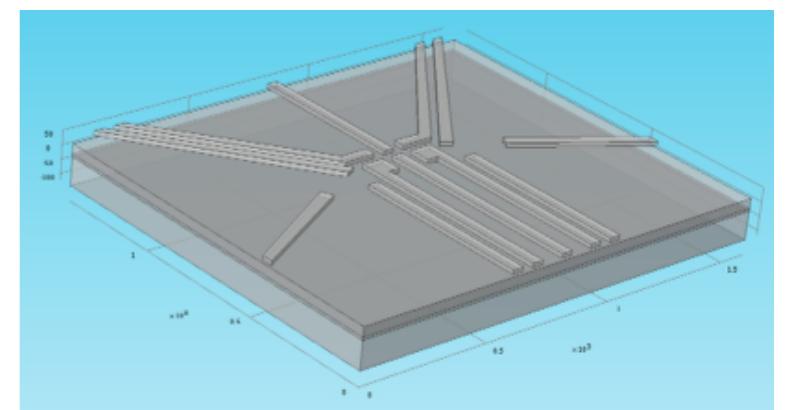
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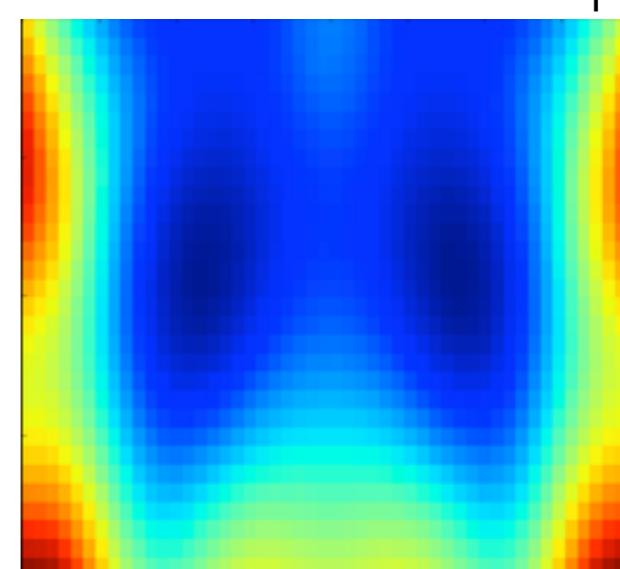


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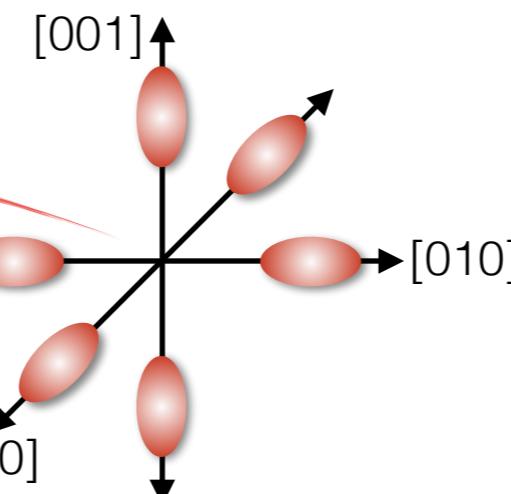
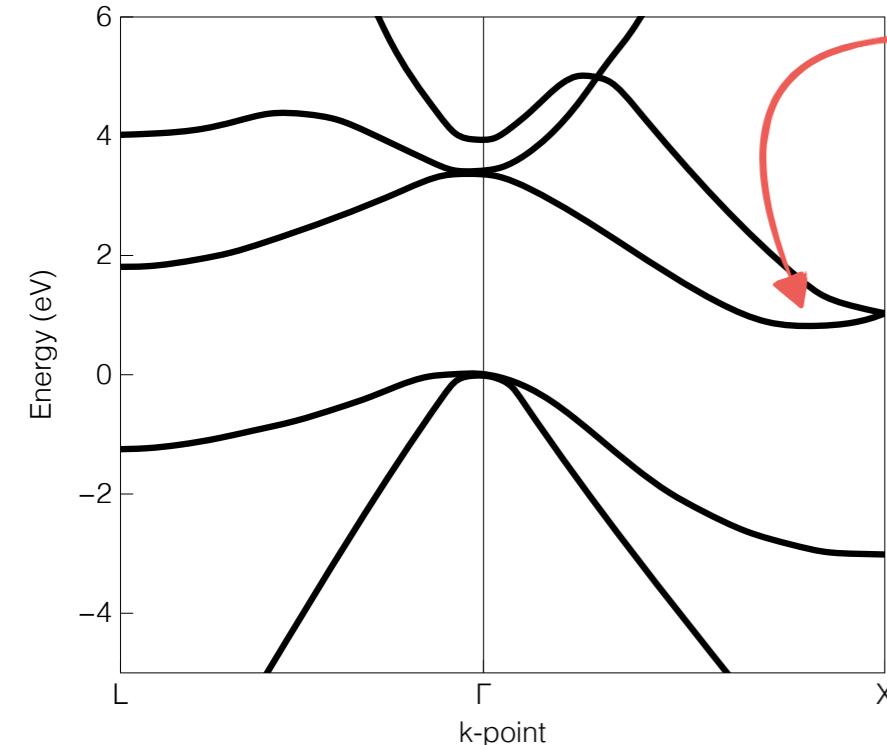
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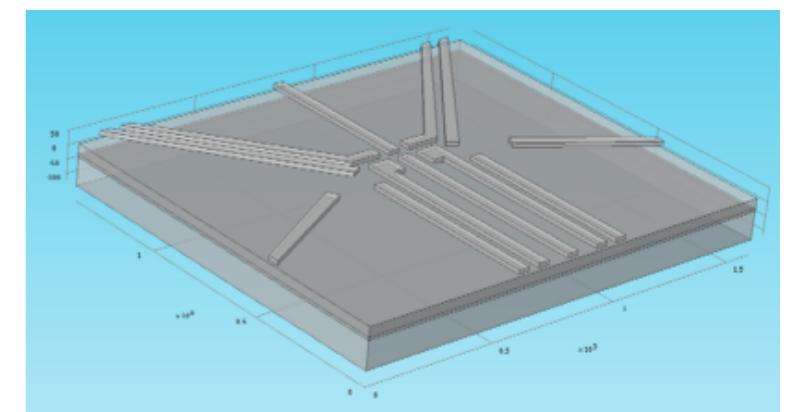


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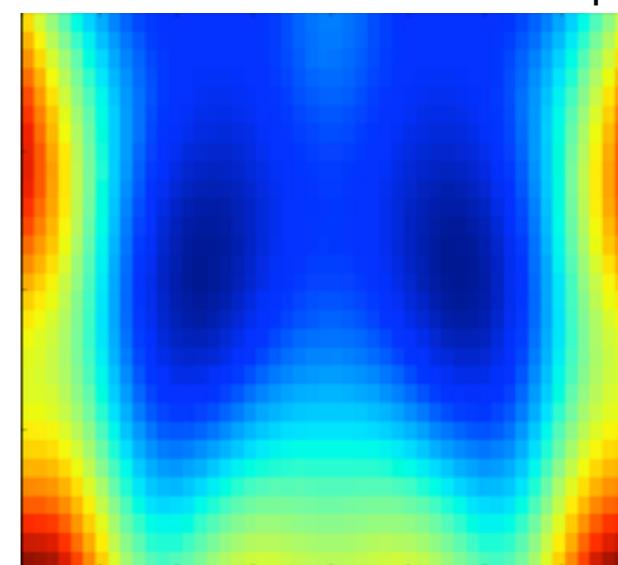
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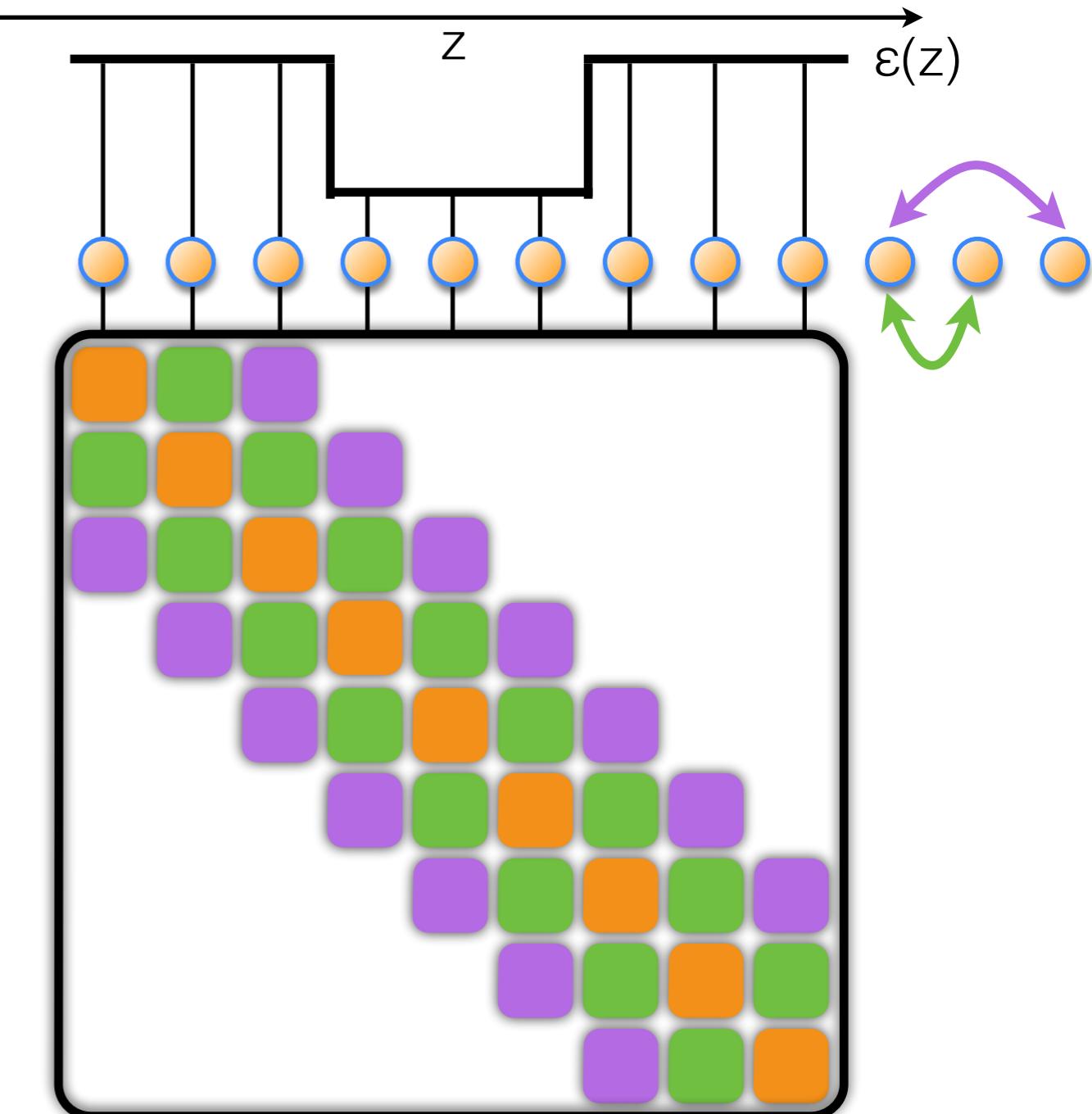
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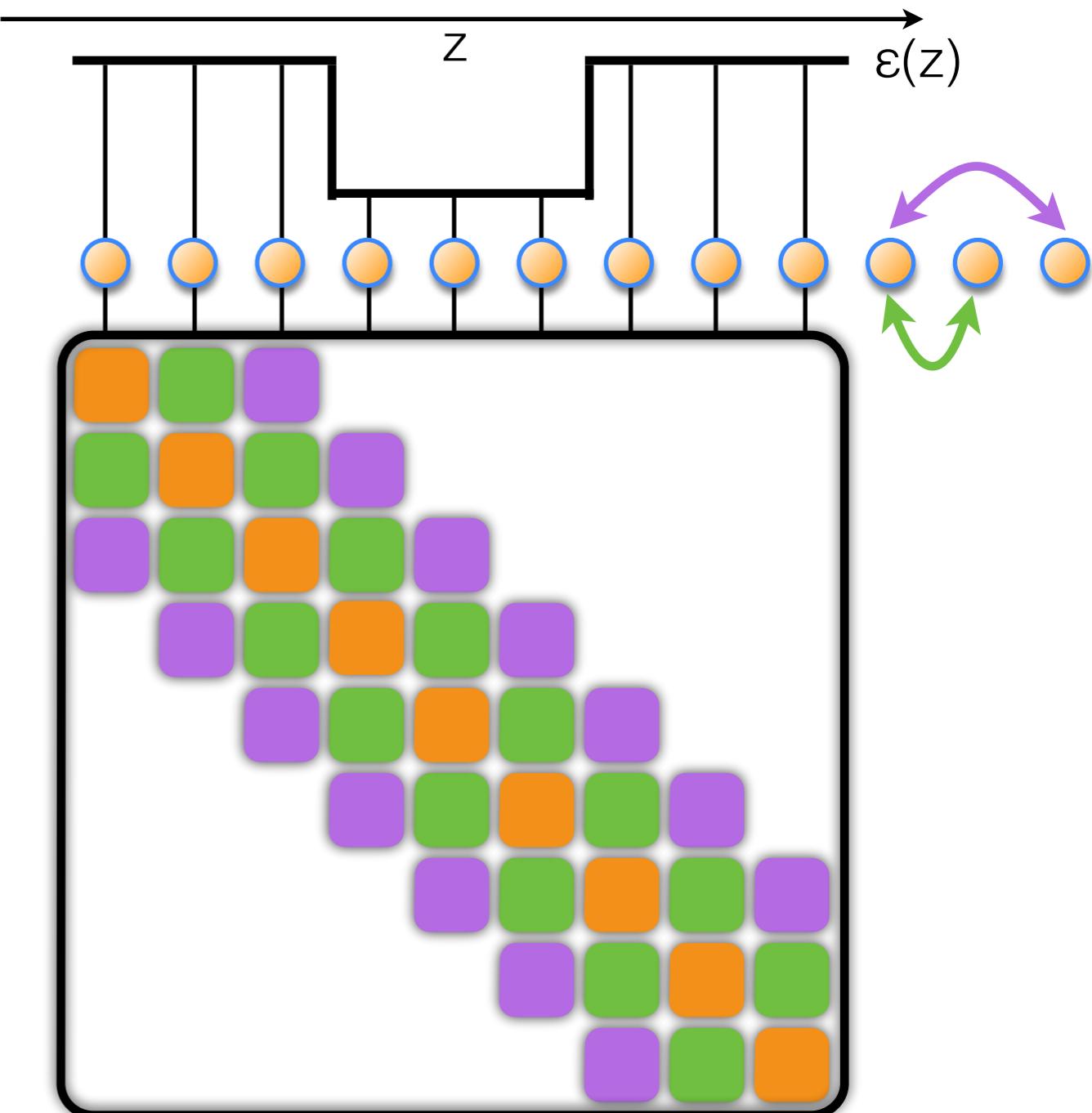
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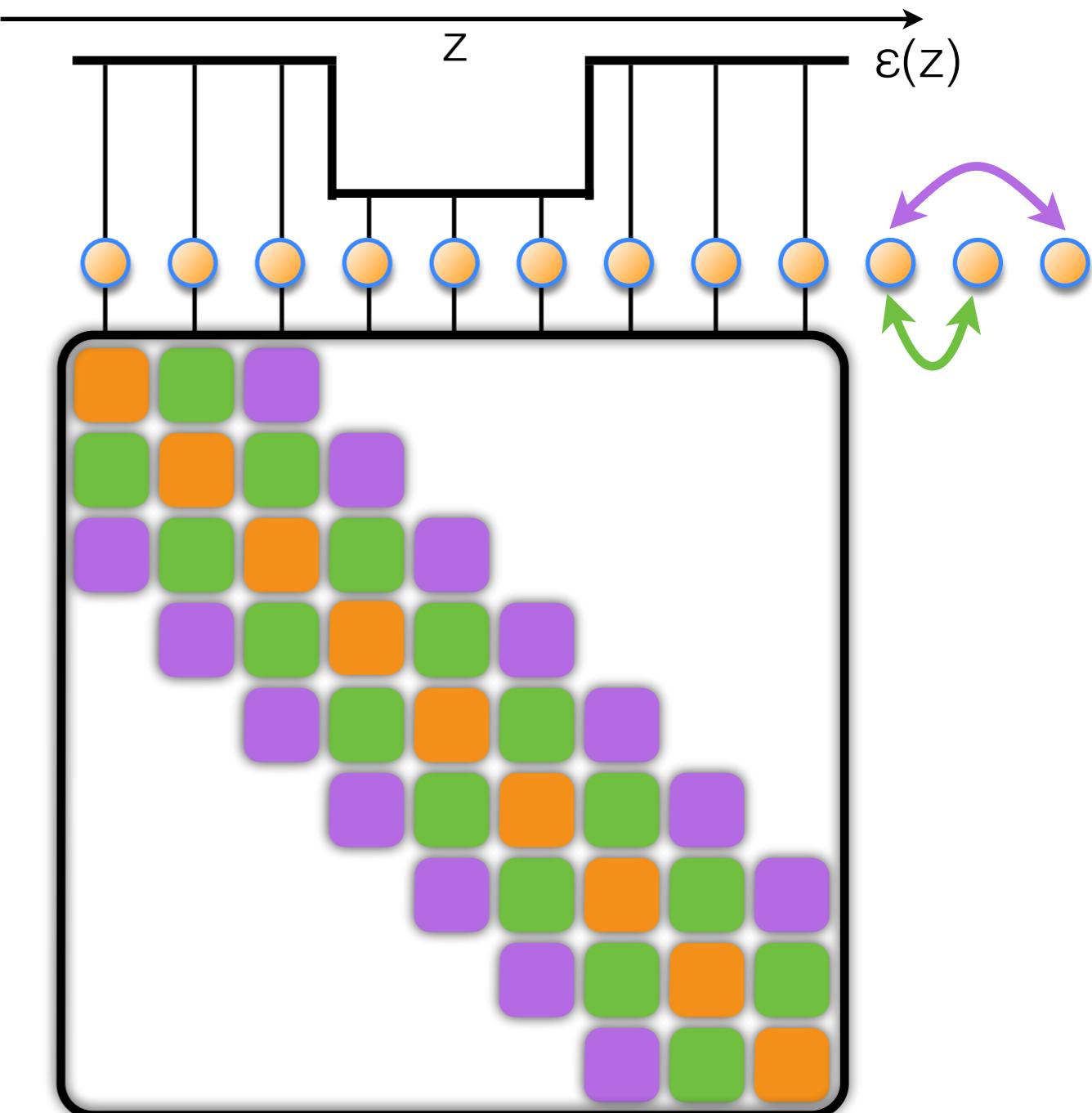
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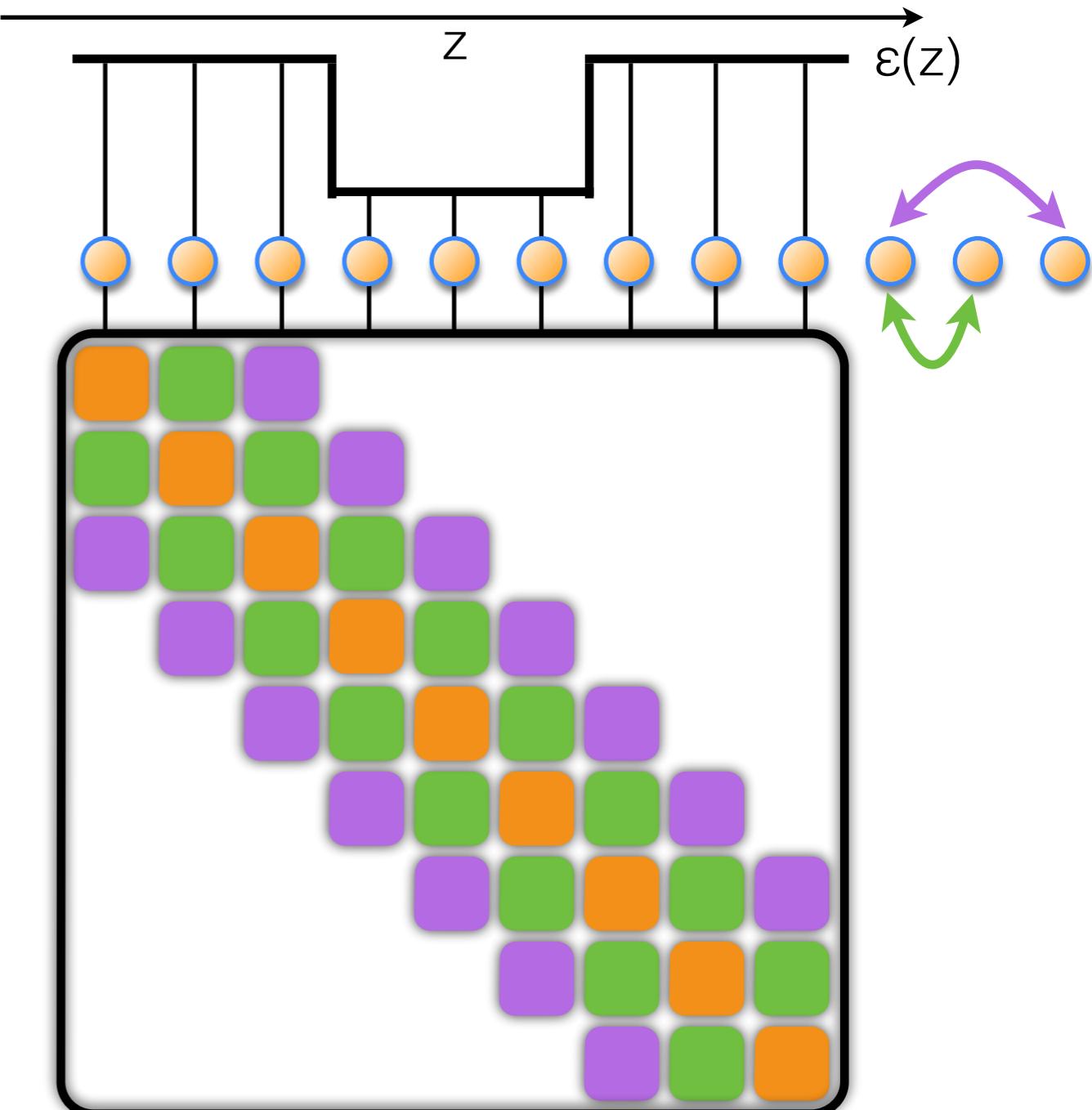
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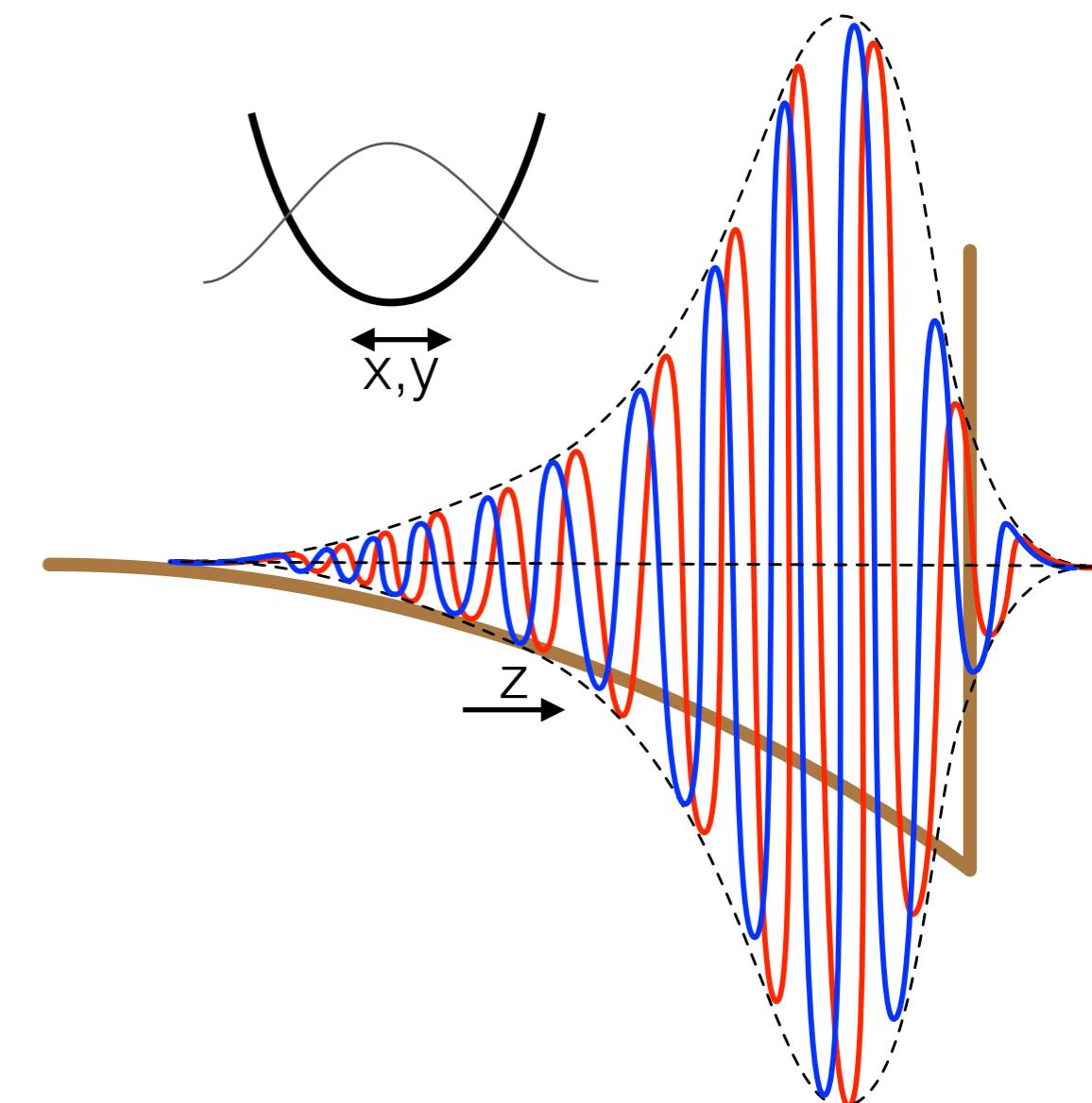
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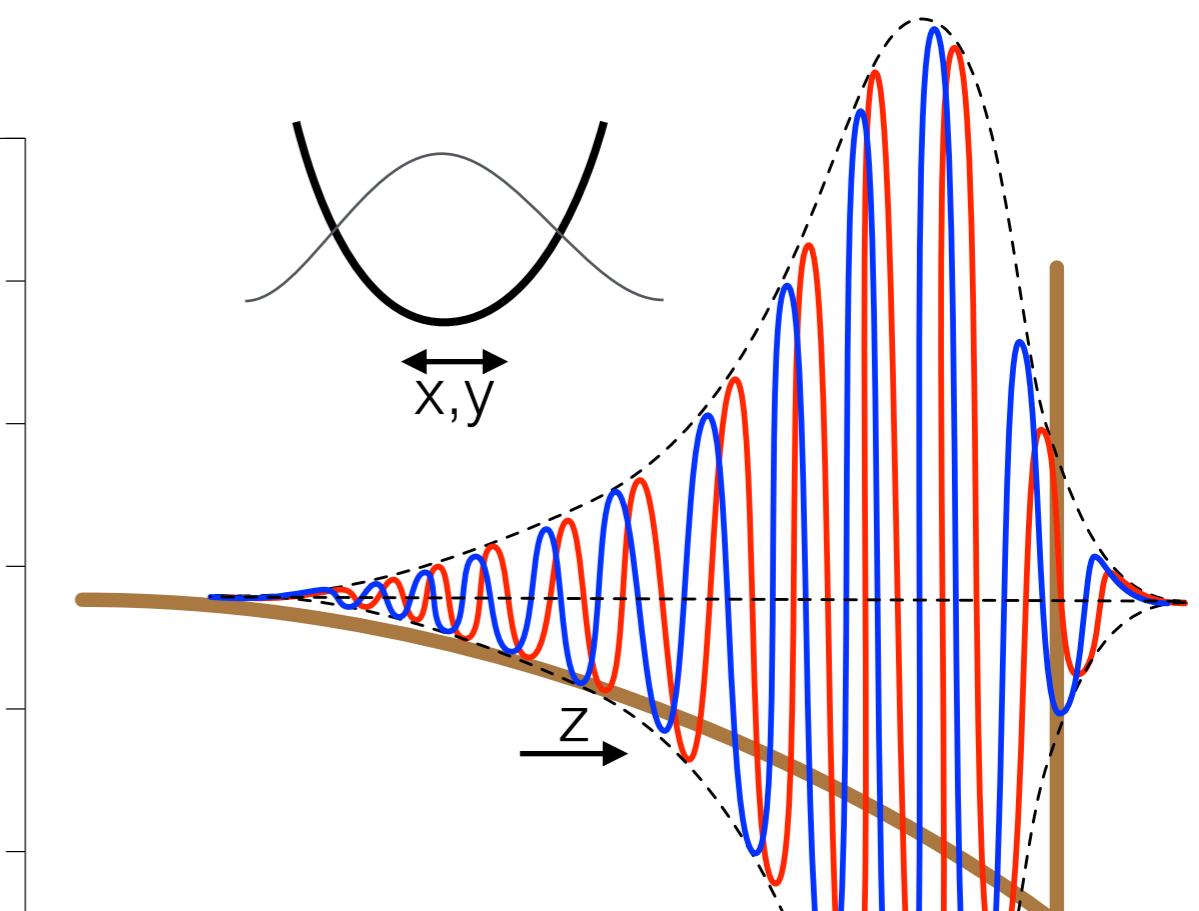
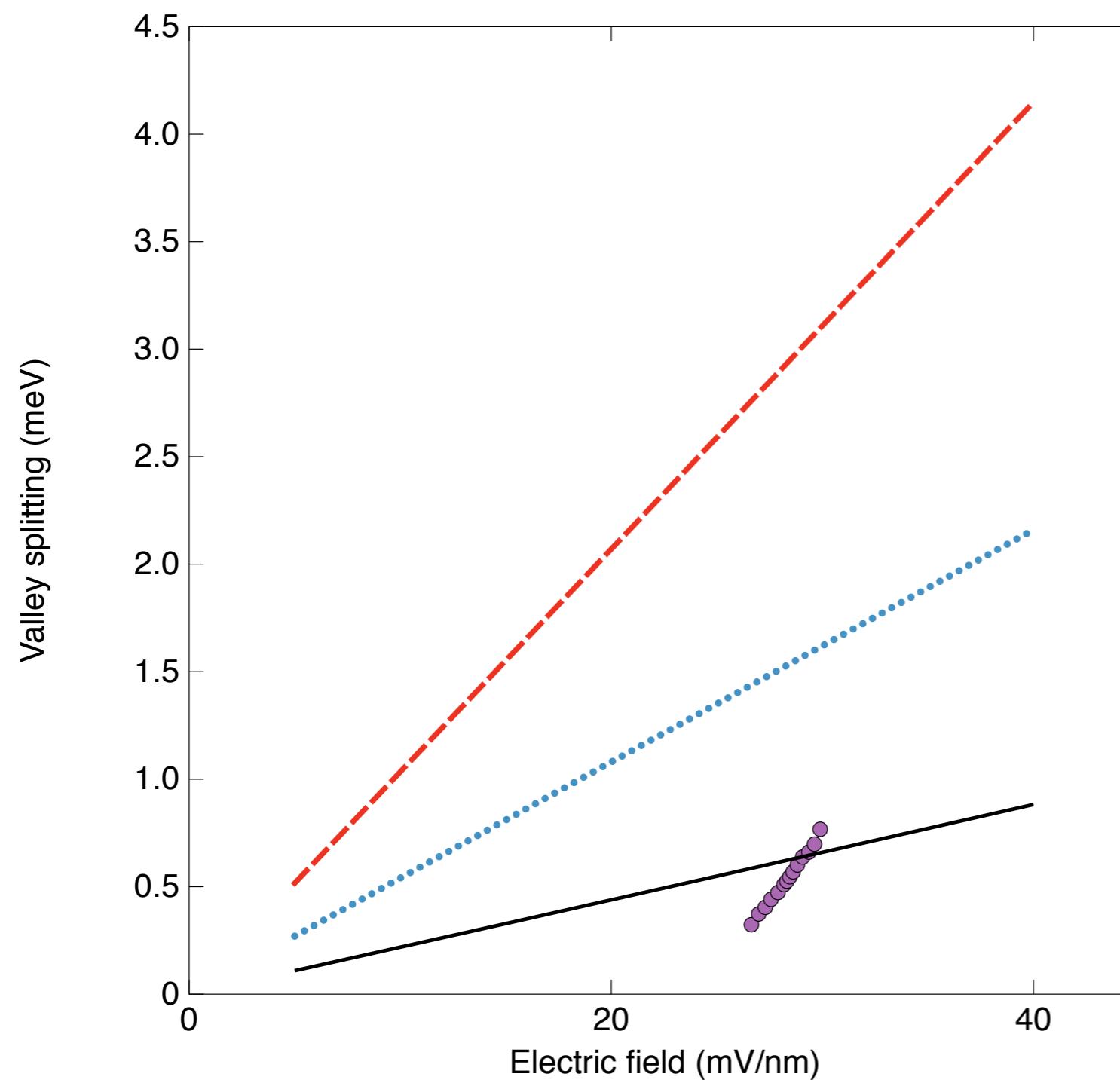


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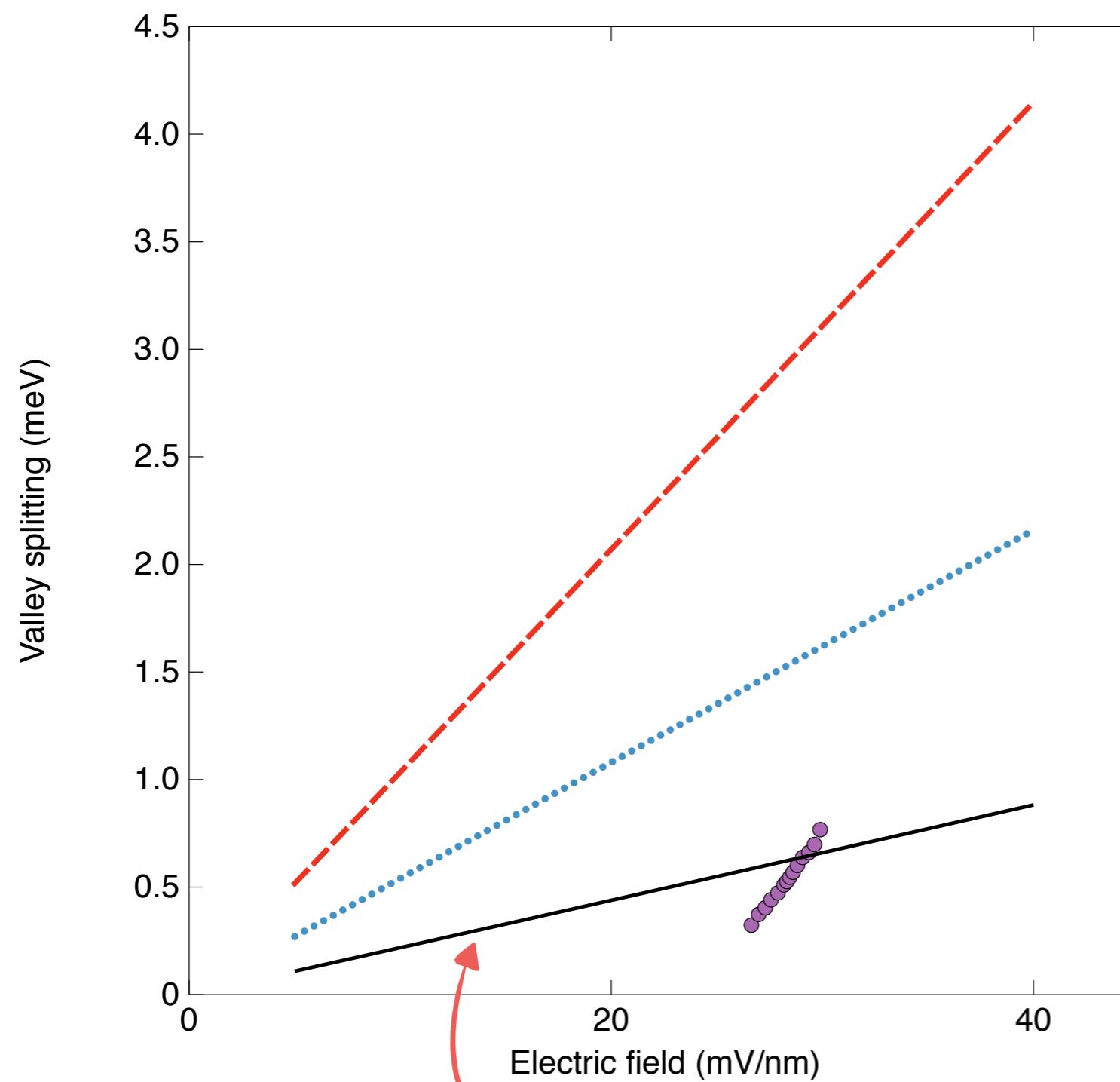
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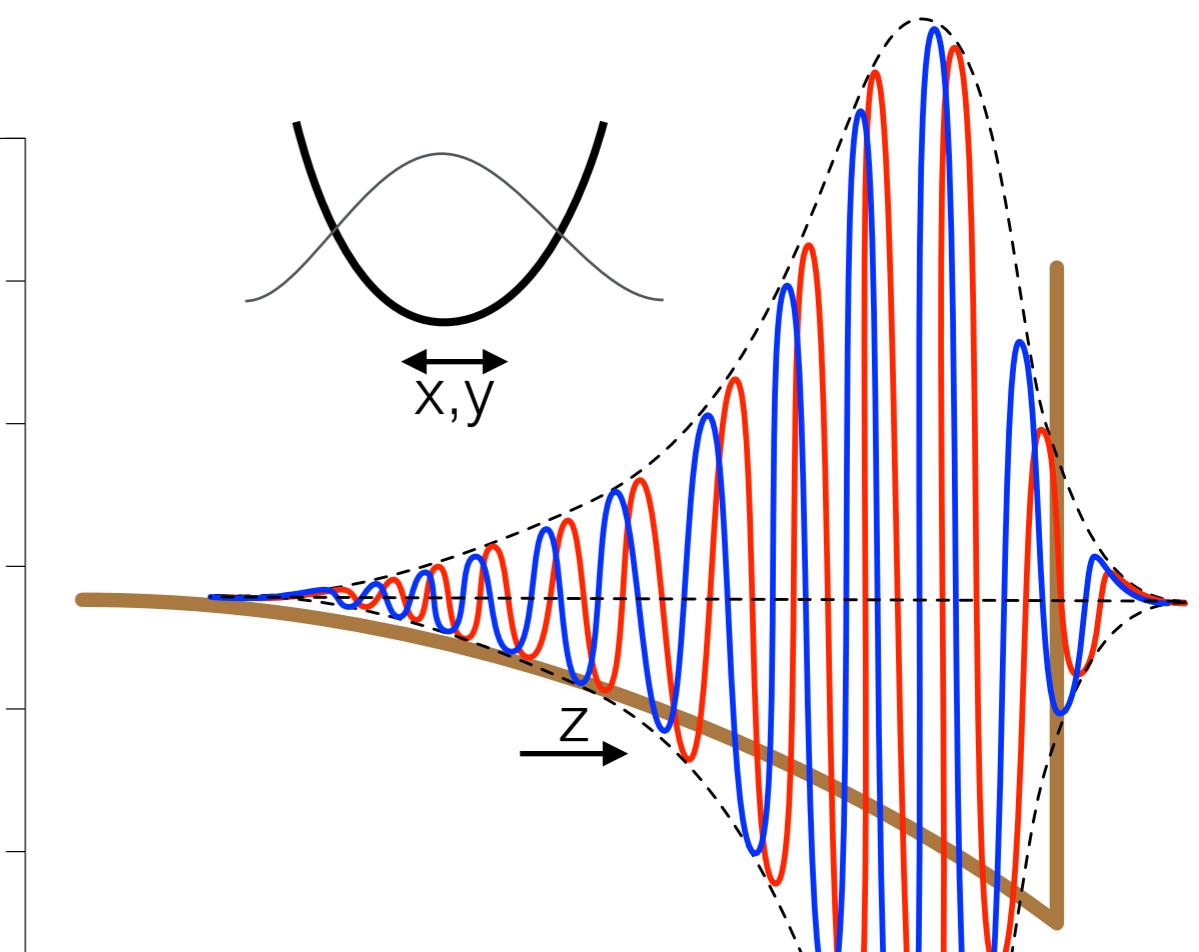
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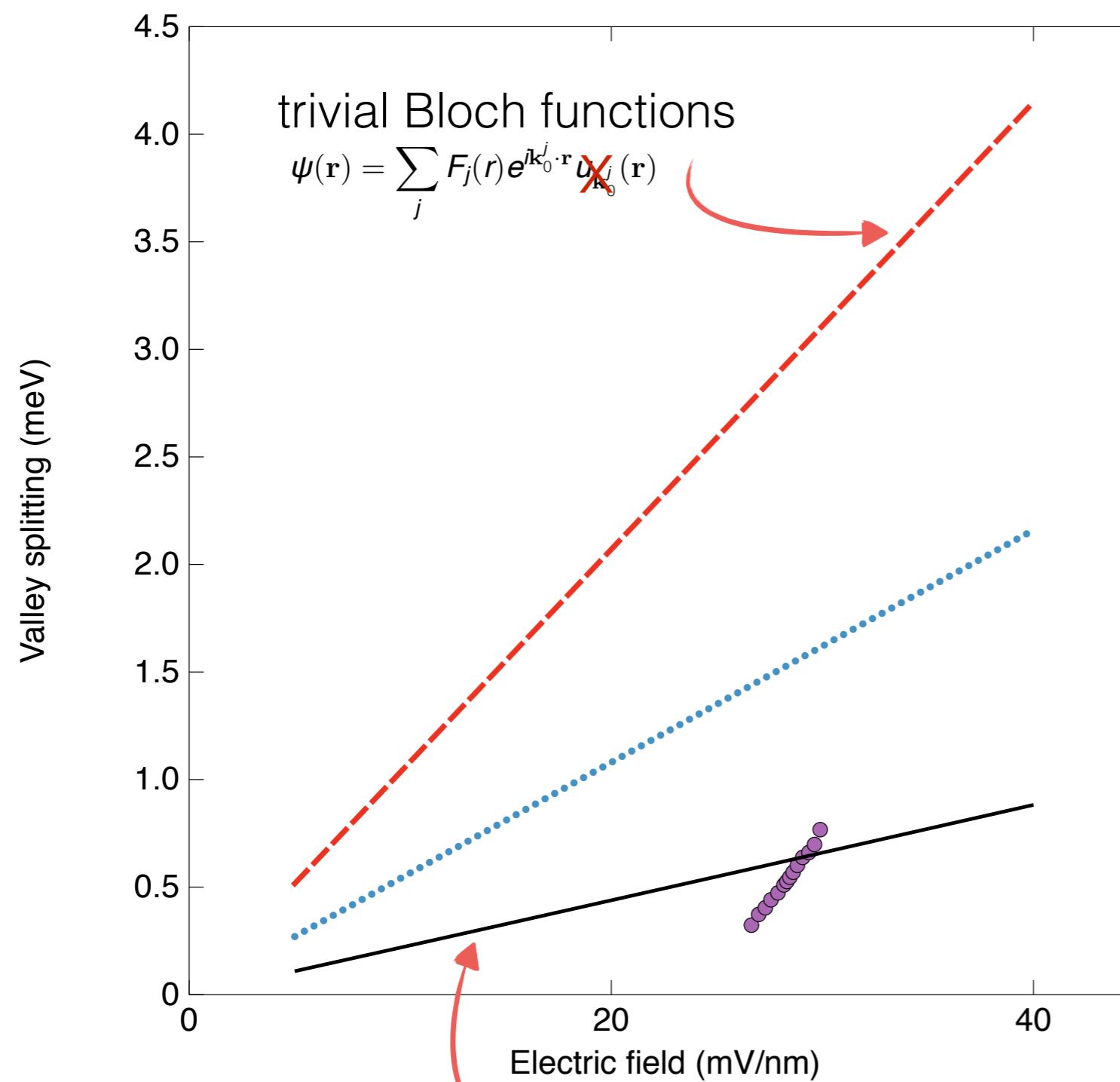
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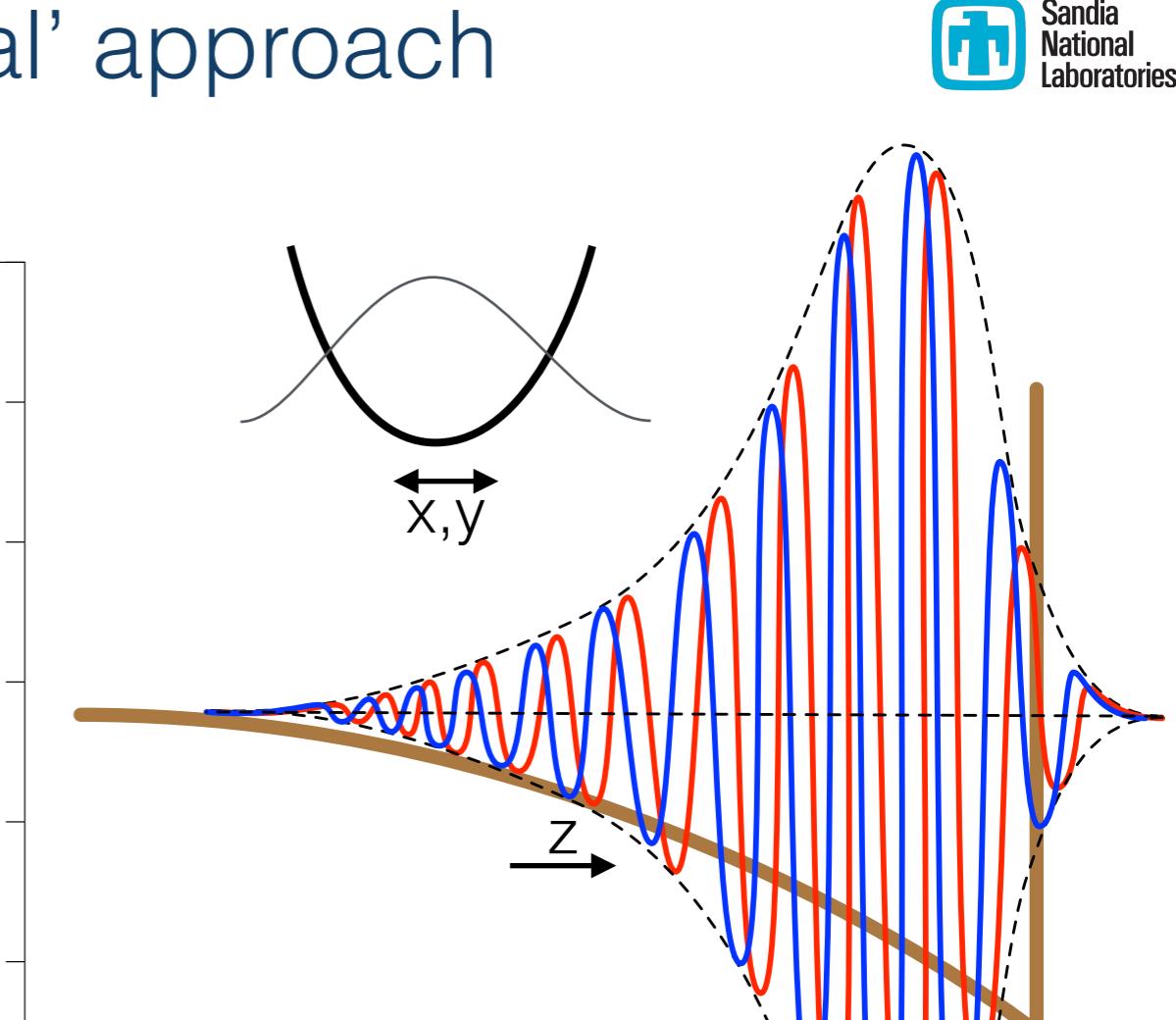
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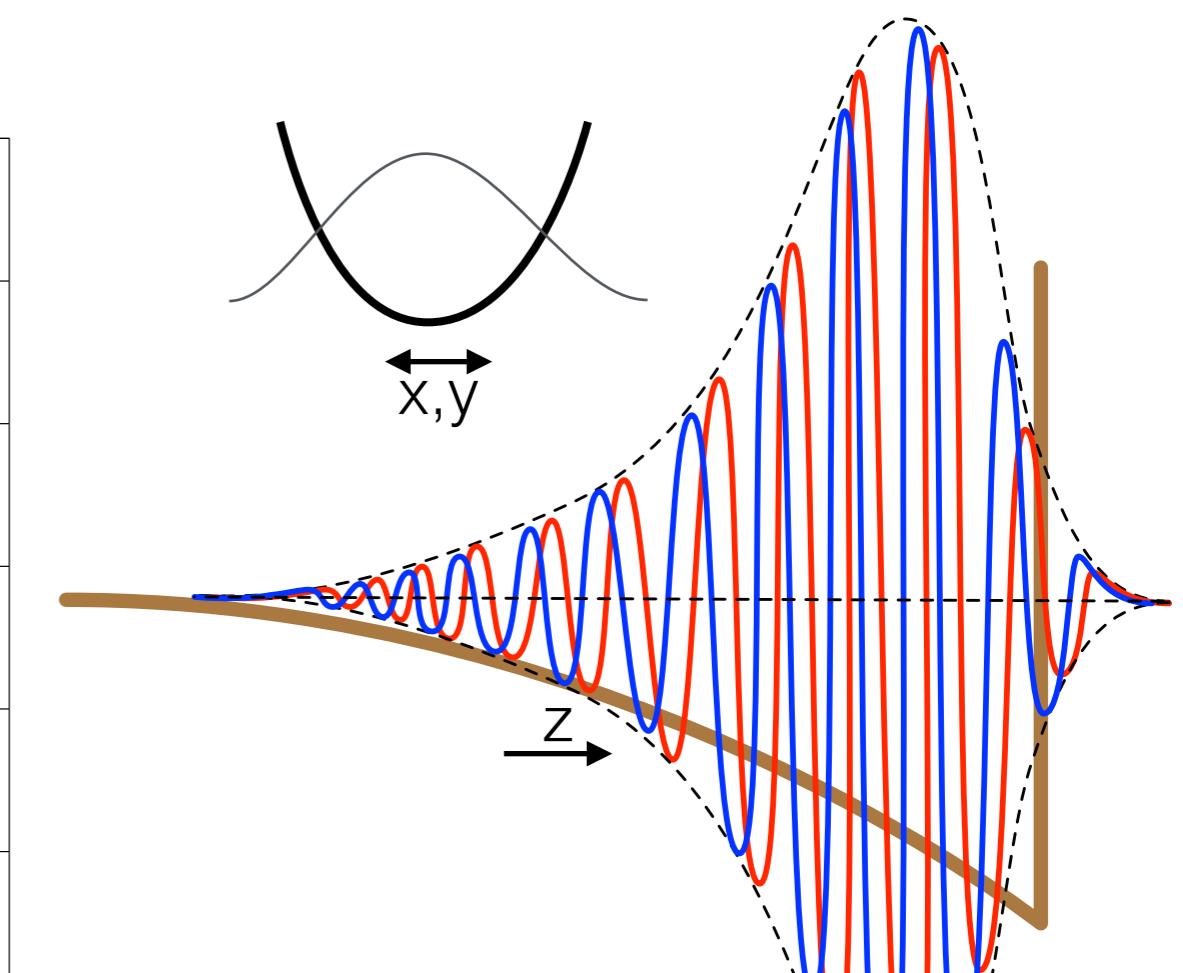
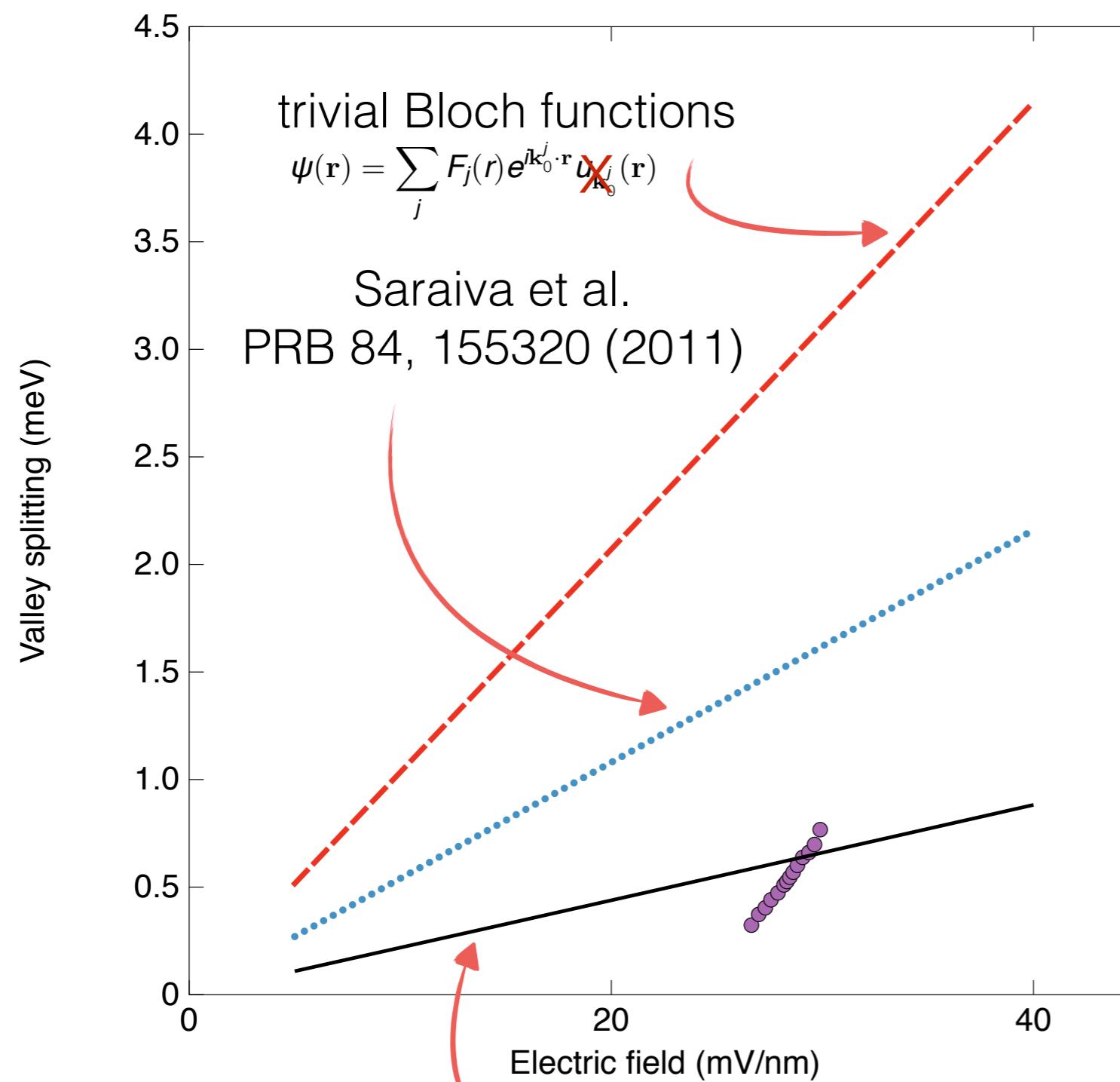
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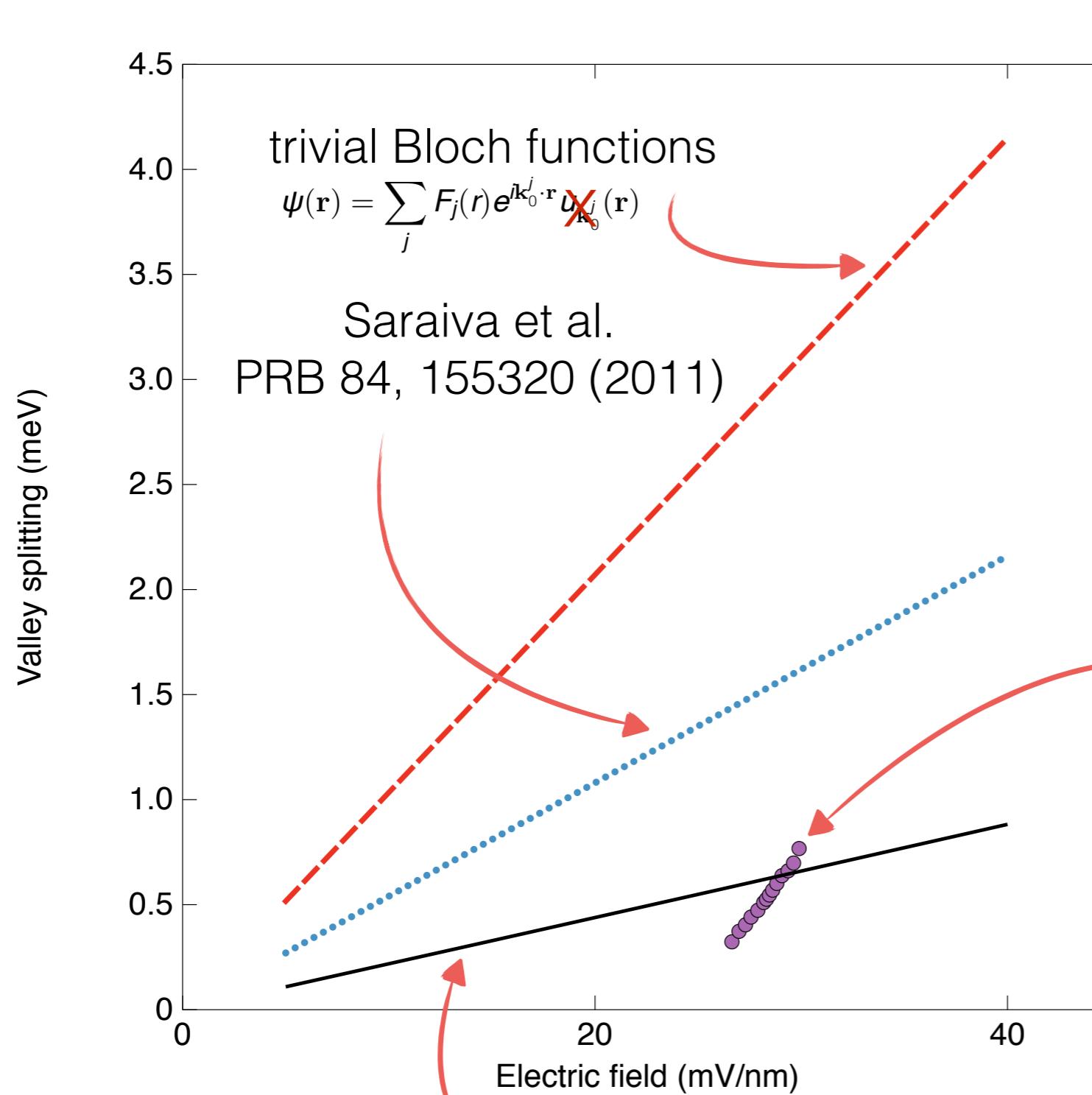
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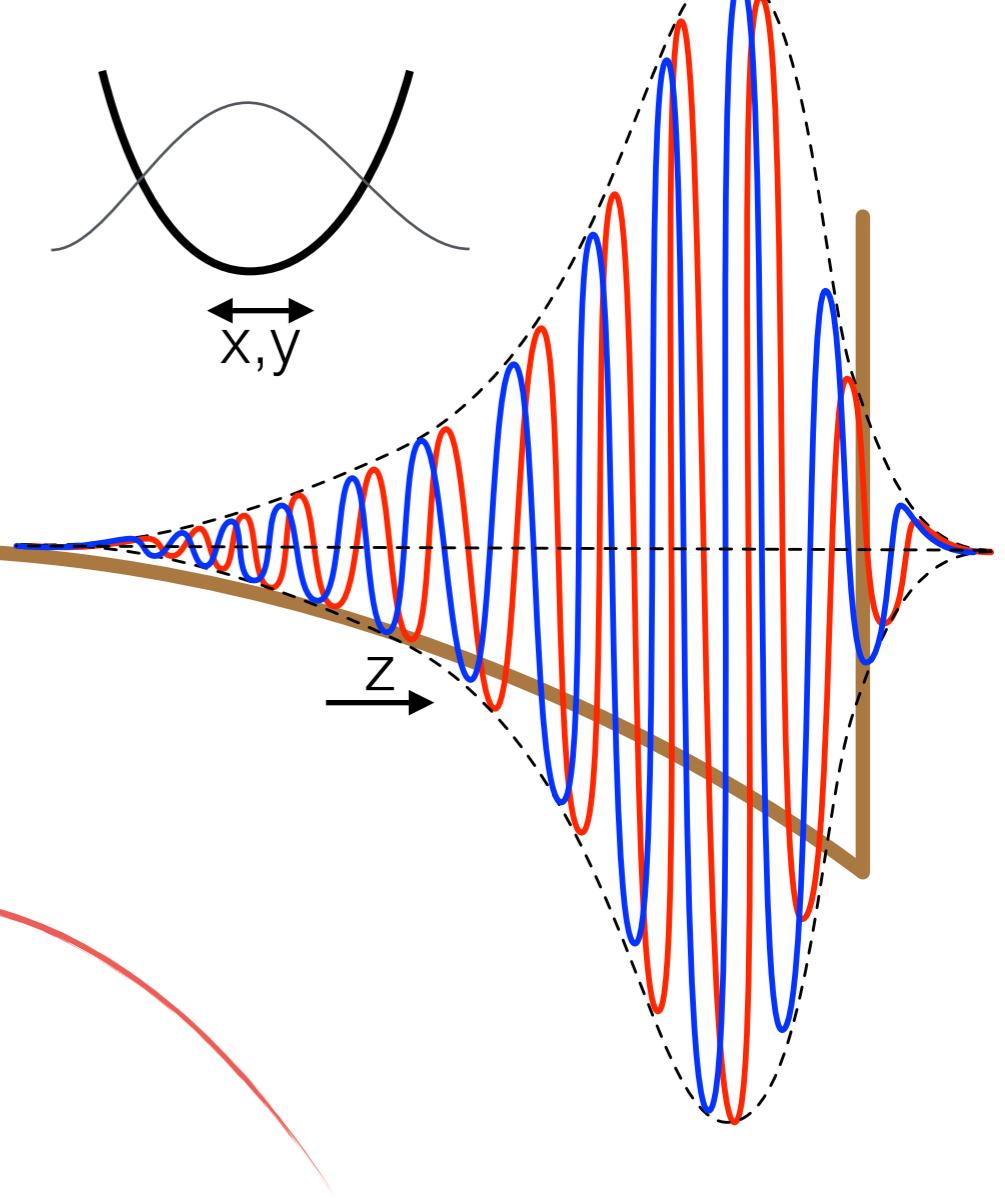


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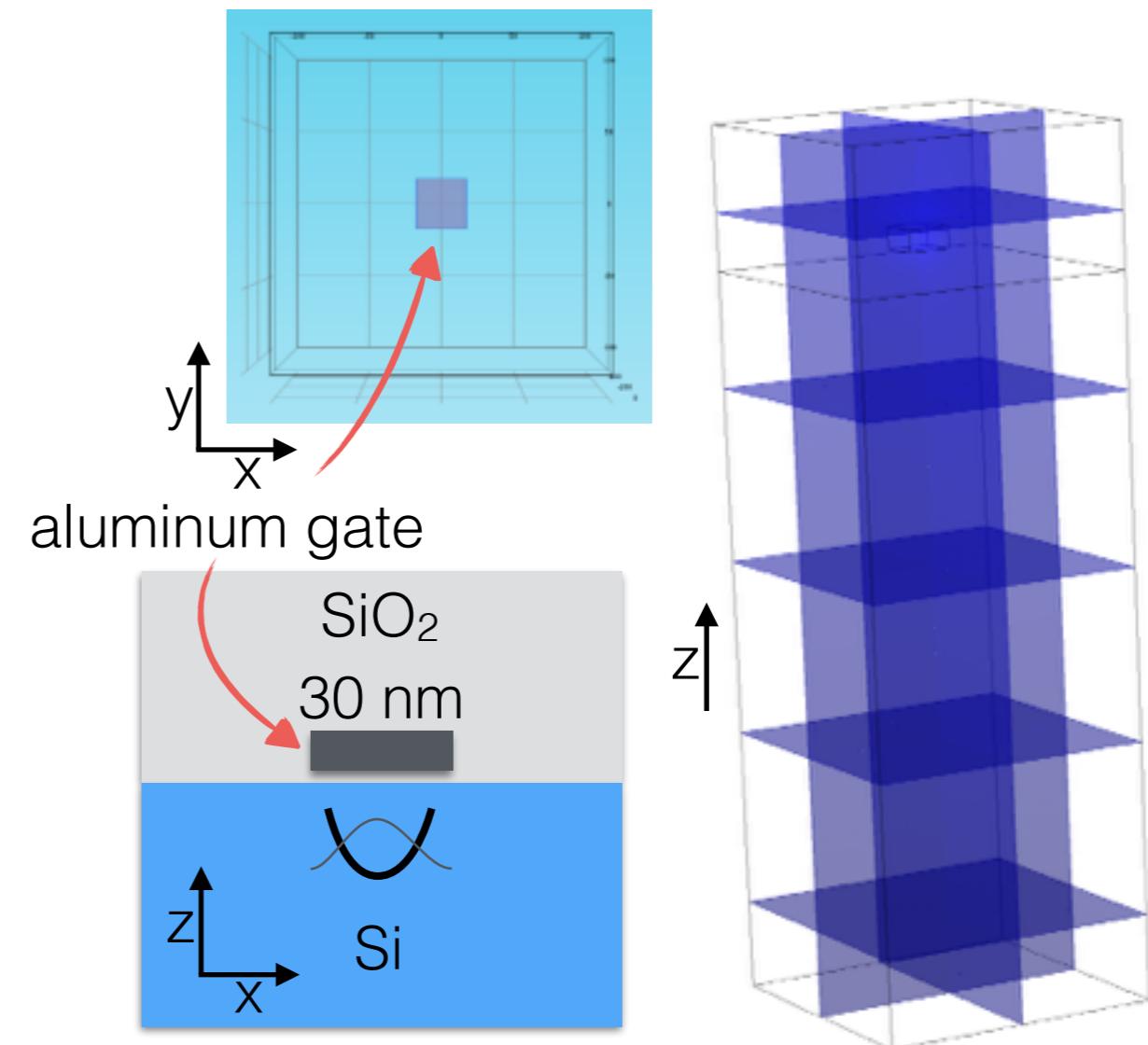
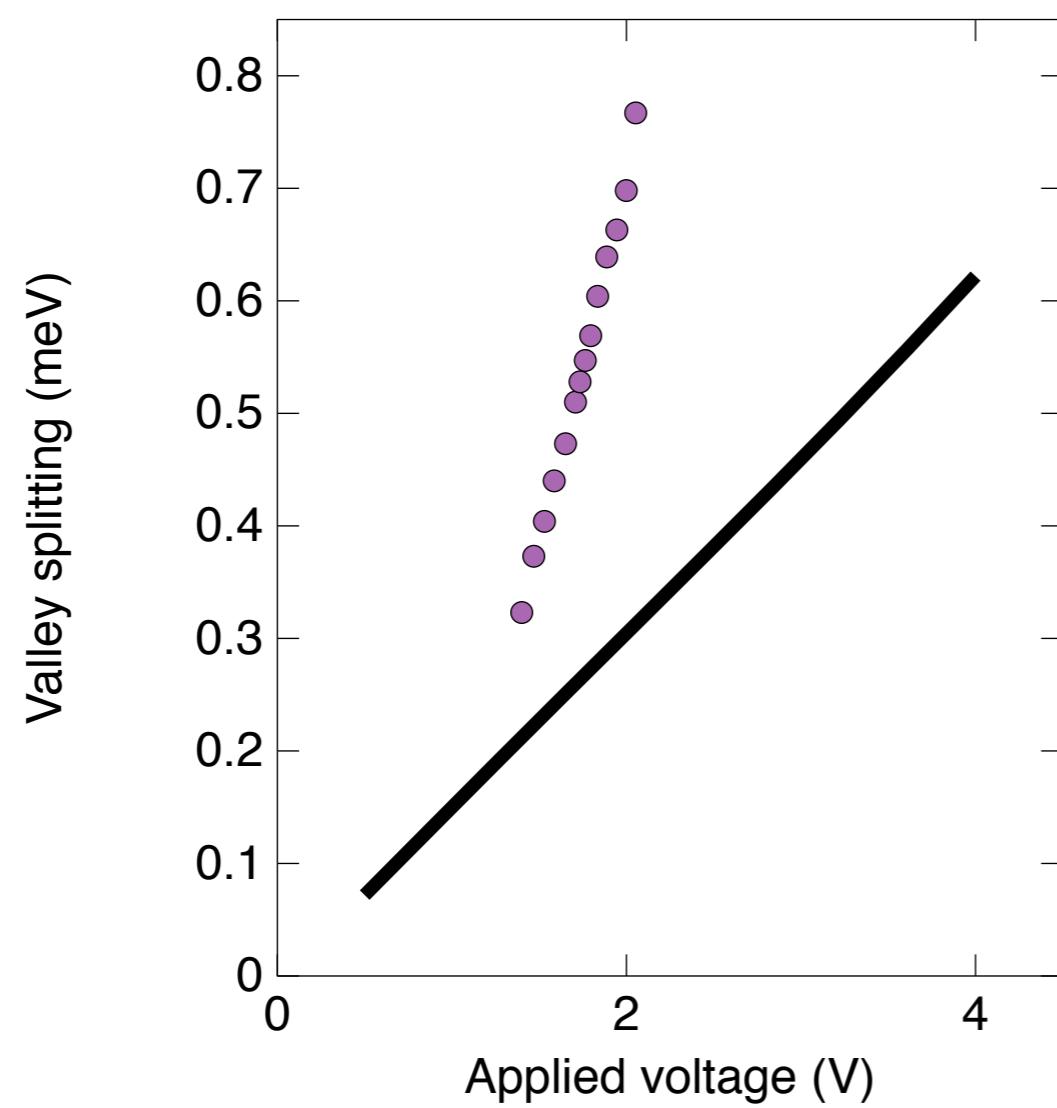


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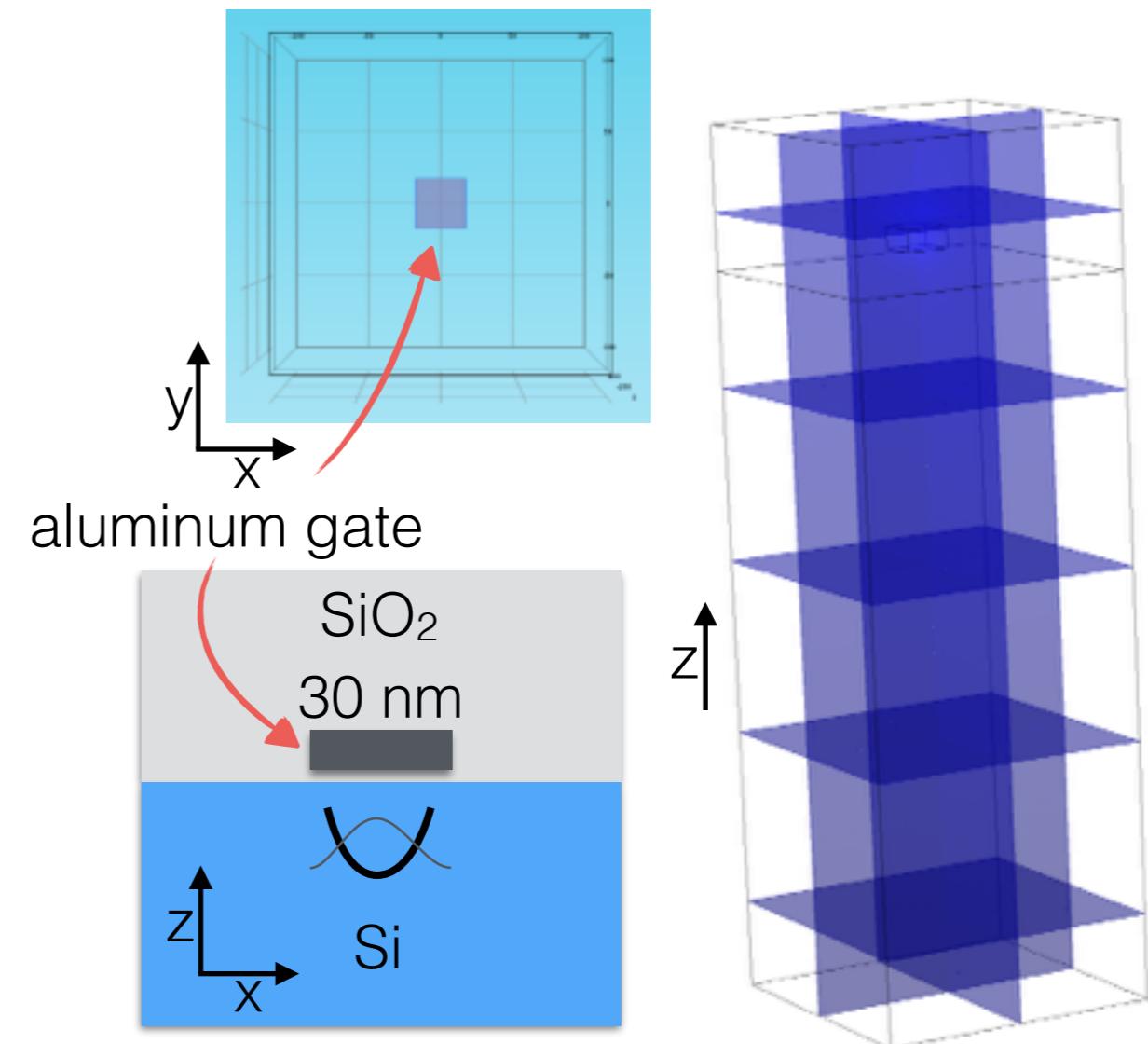
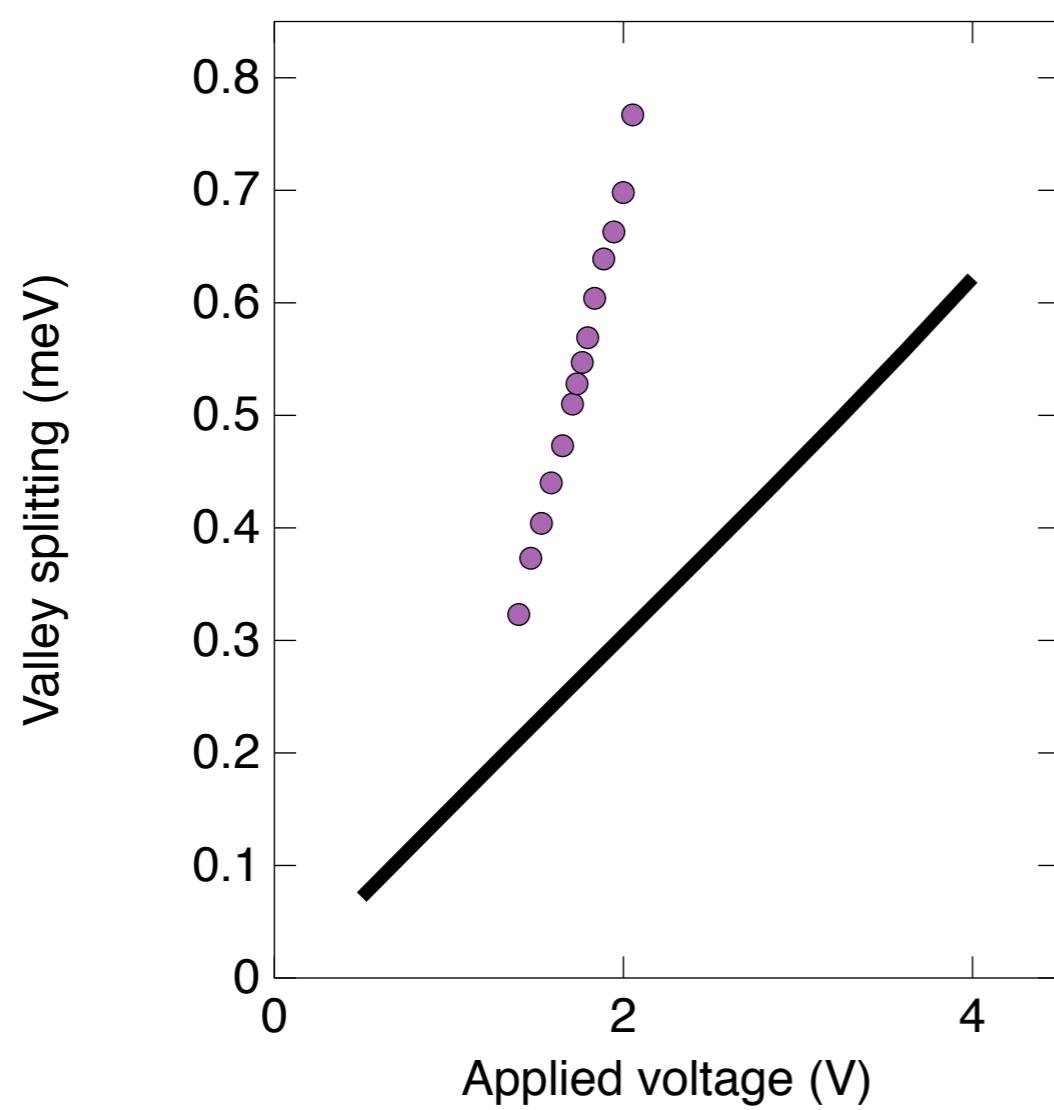
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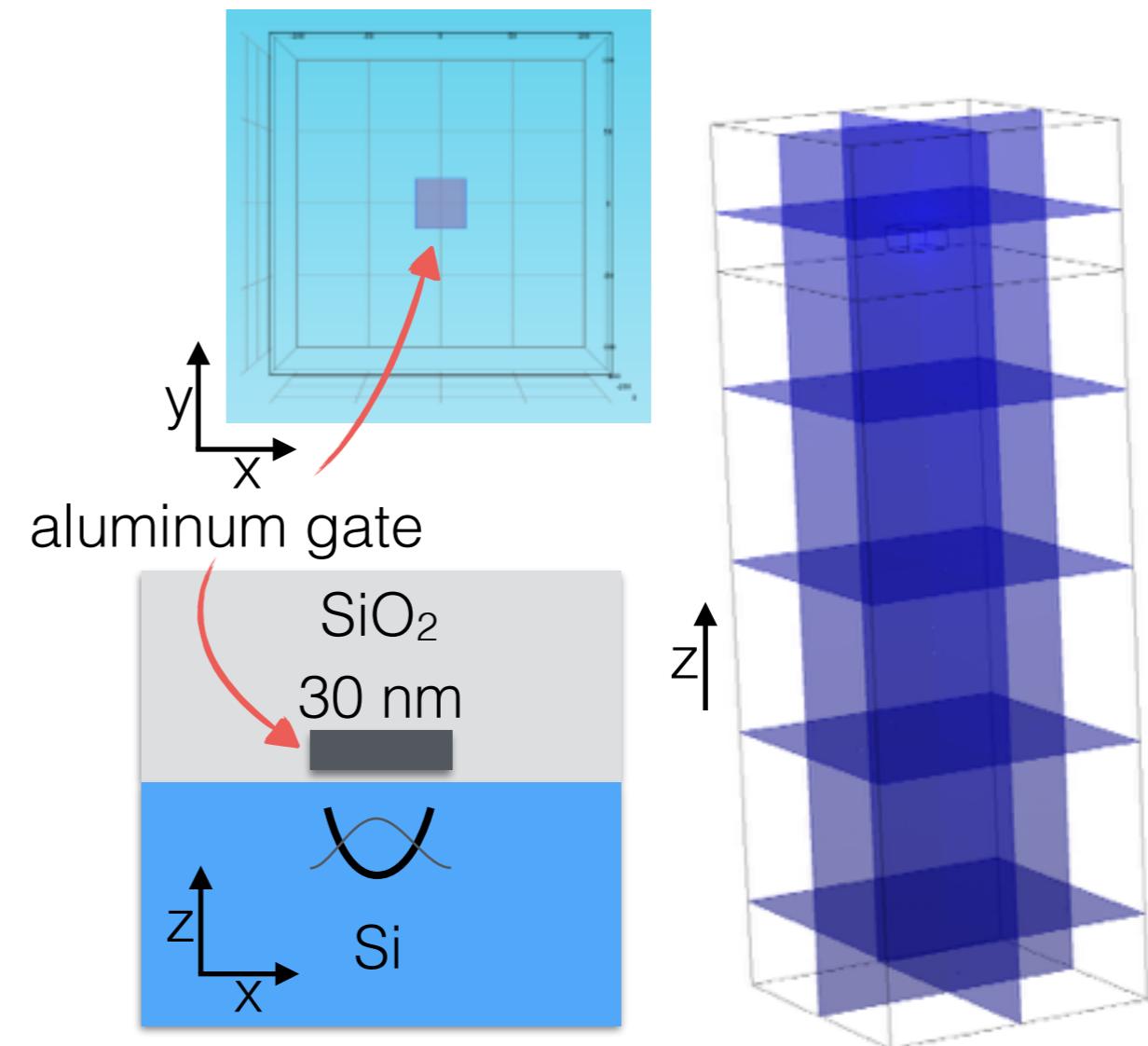
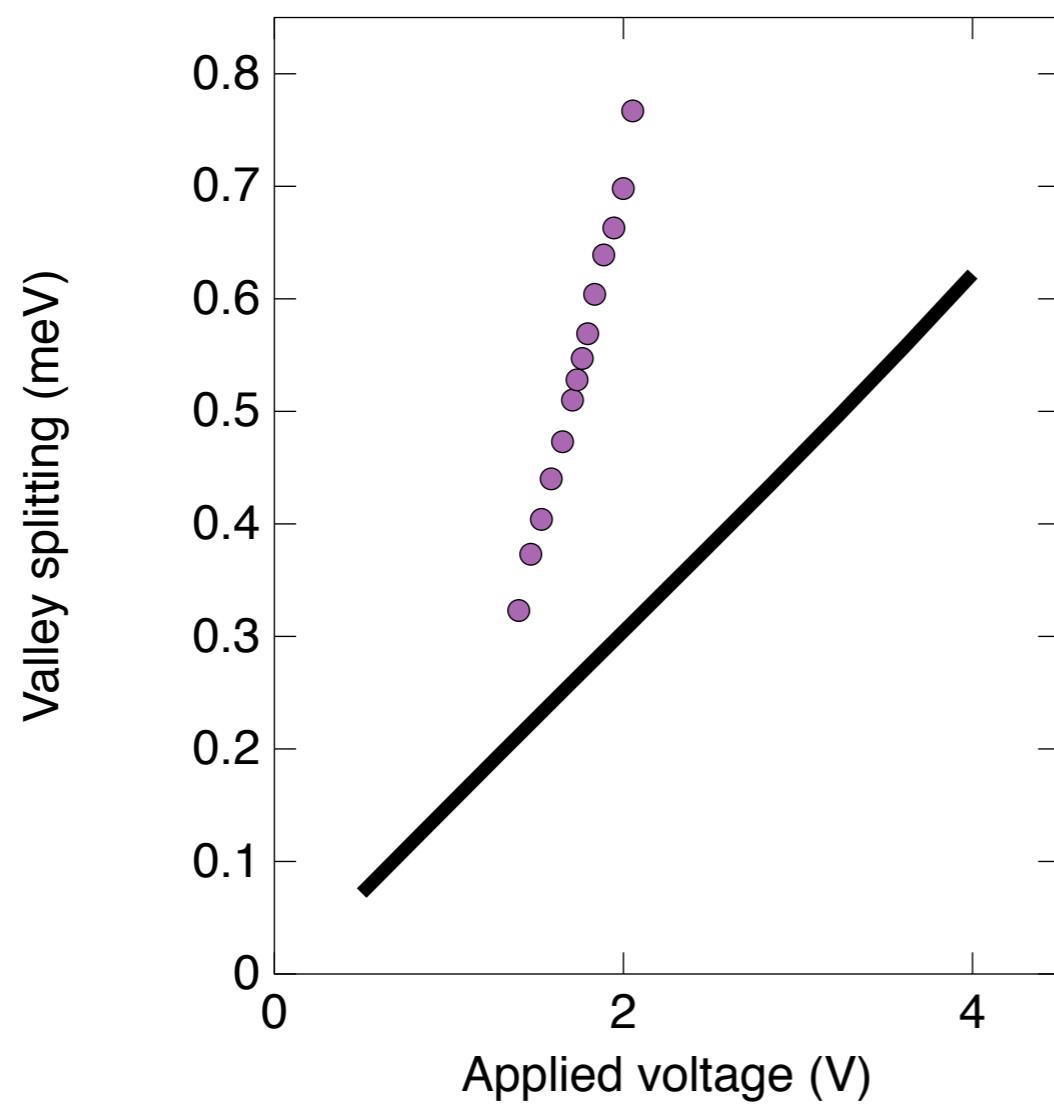
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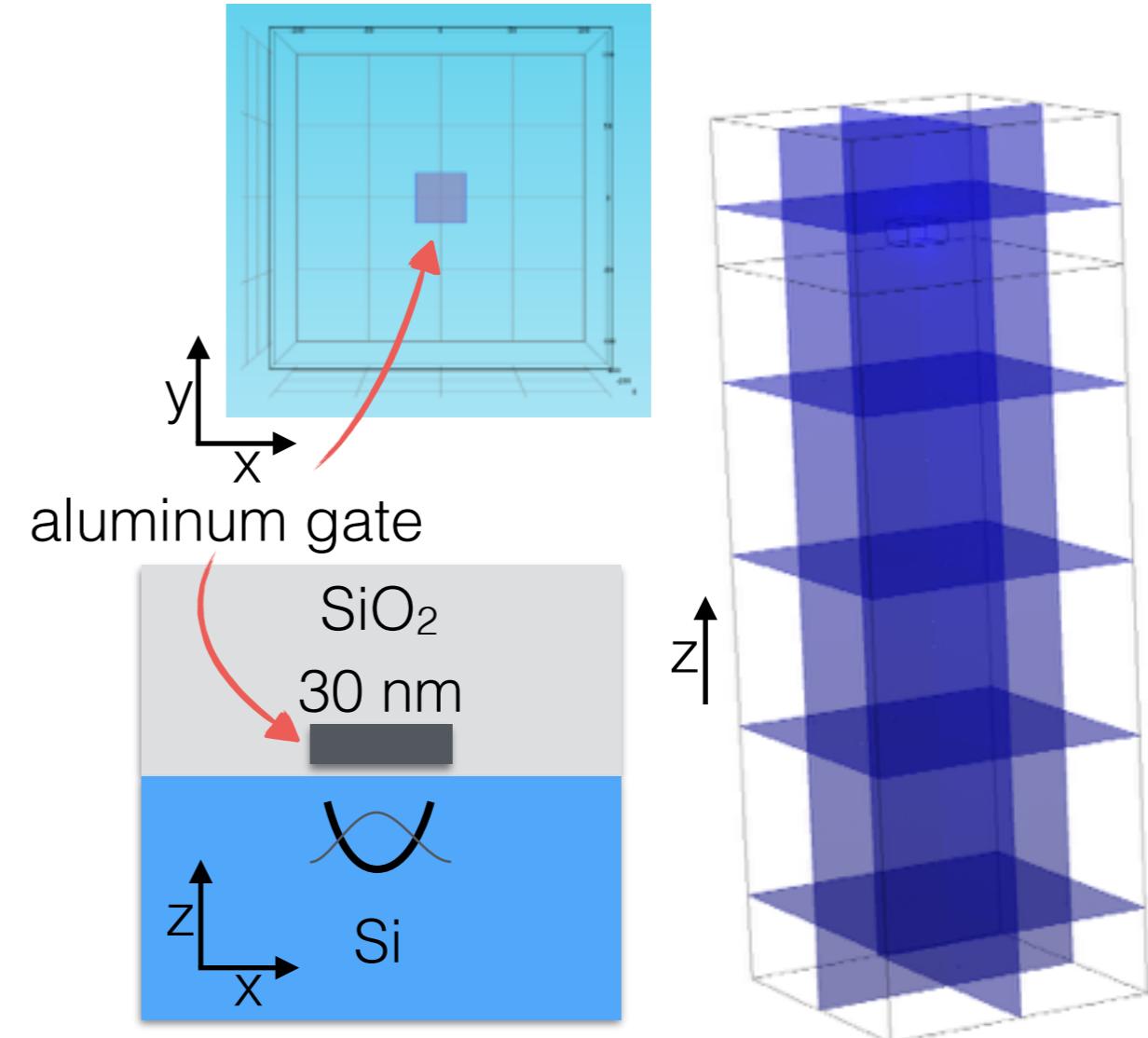
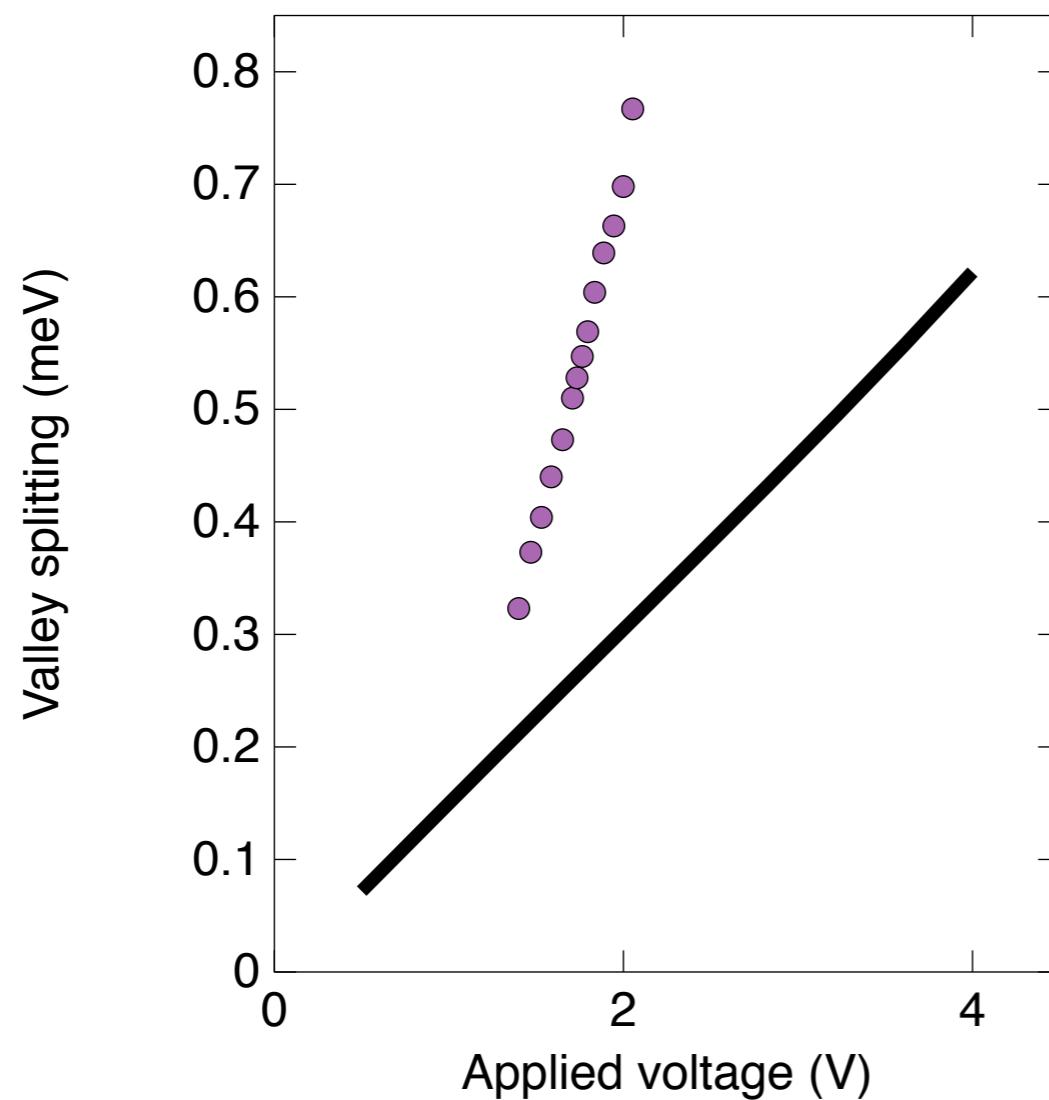
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Valley splitting in silicon - full-scope approach

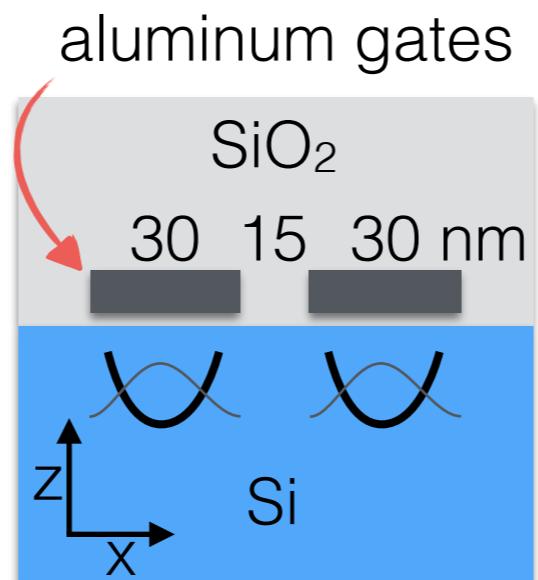
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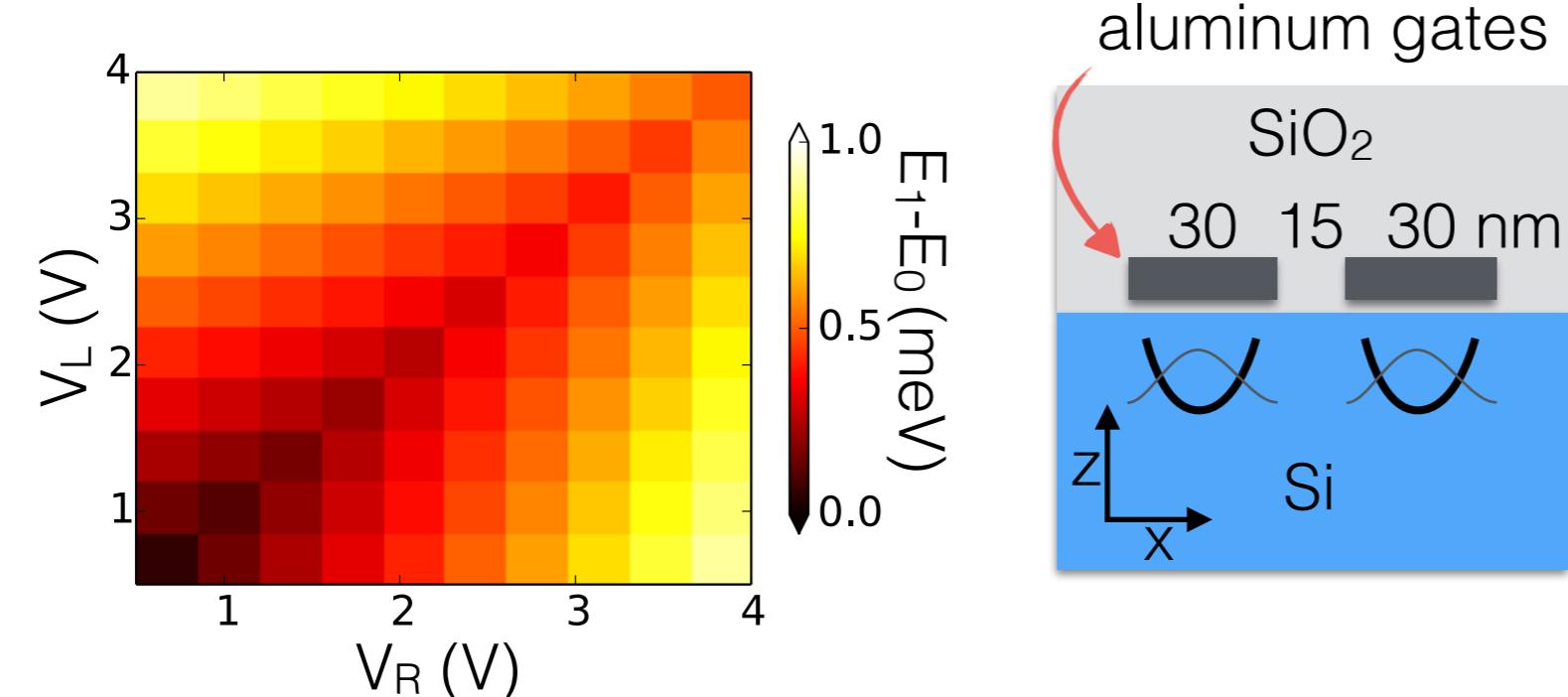
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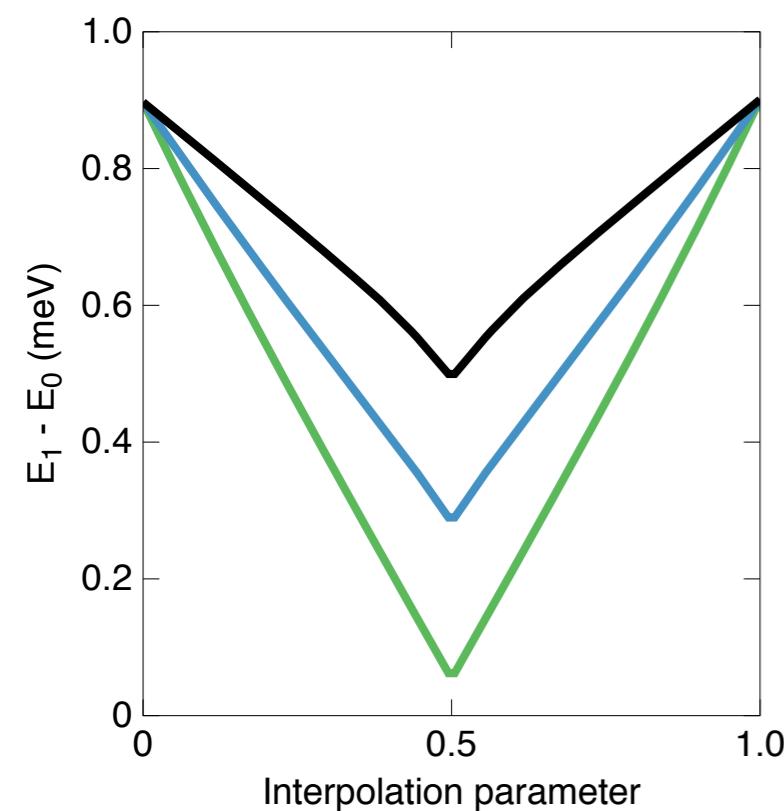
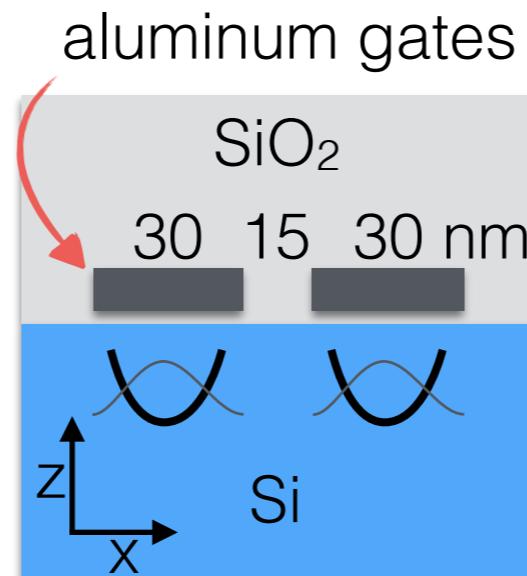
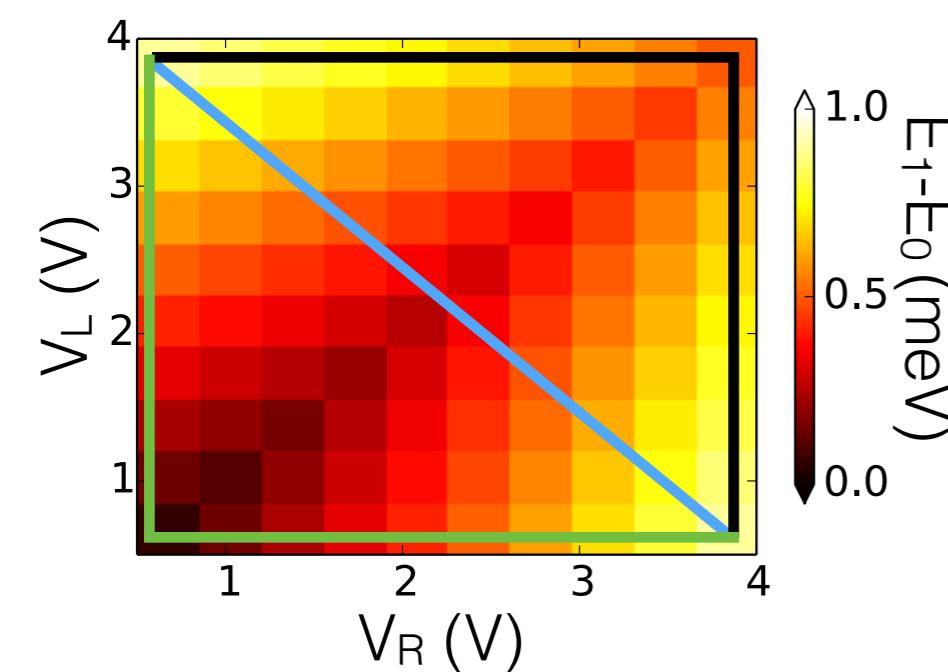
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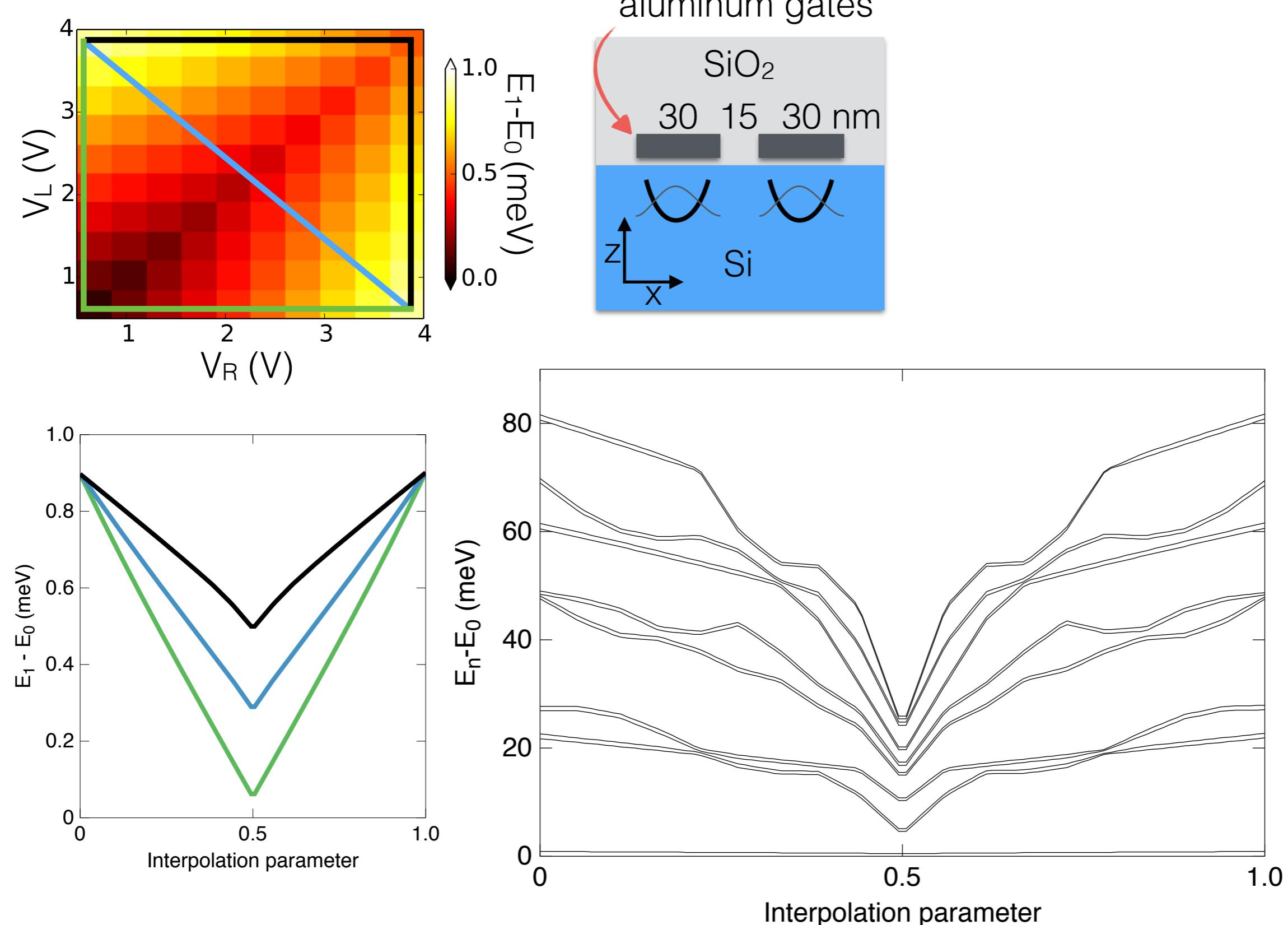
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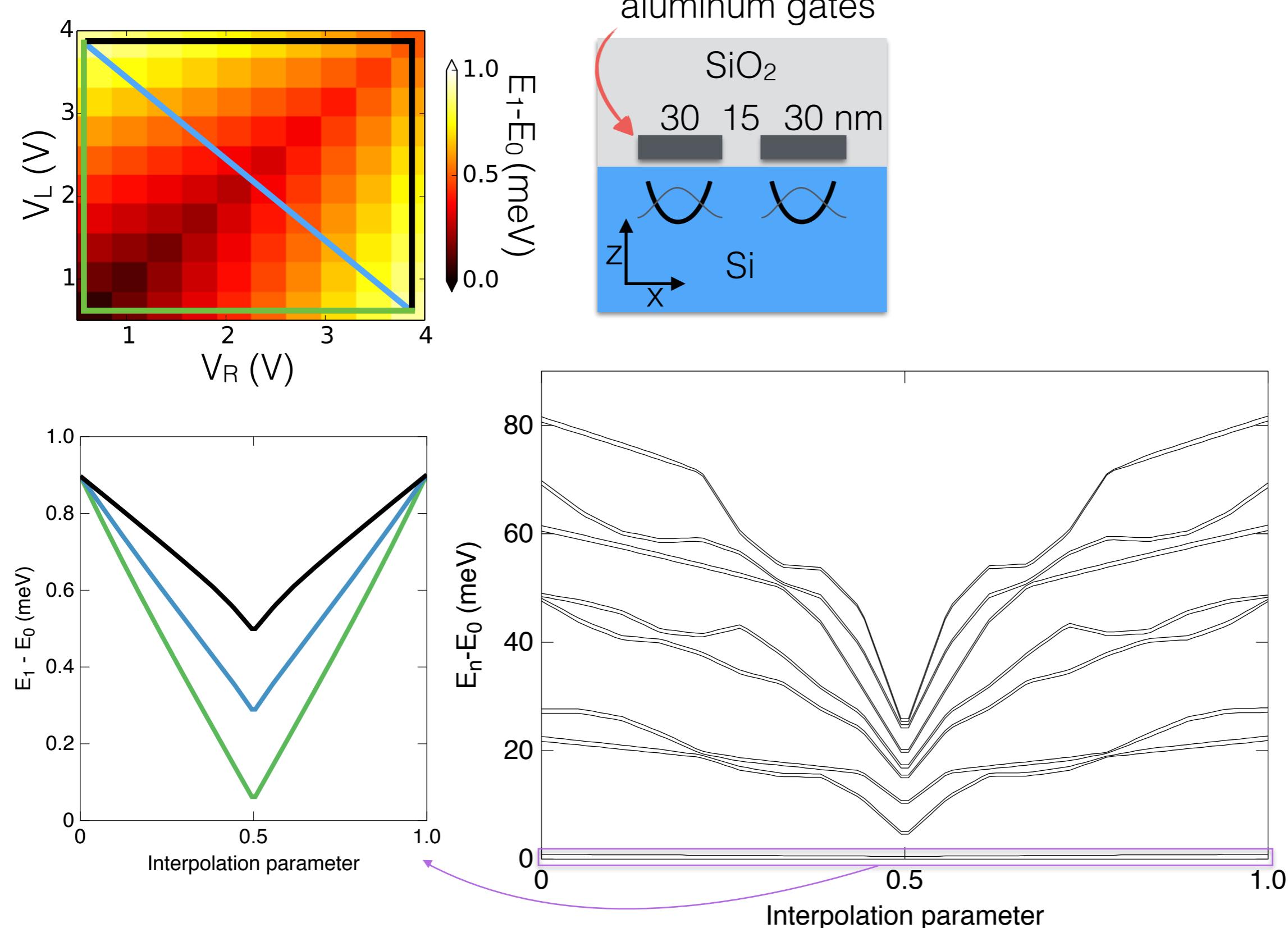
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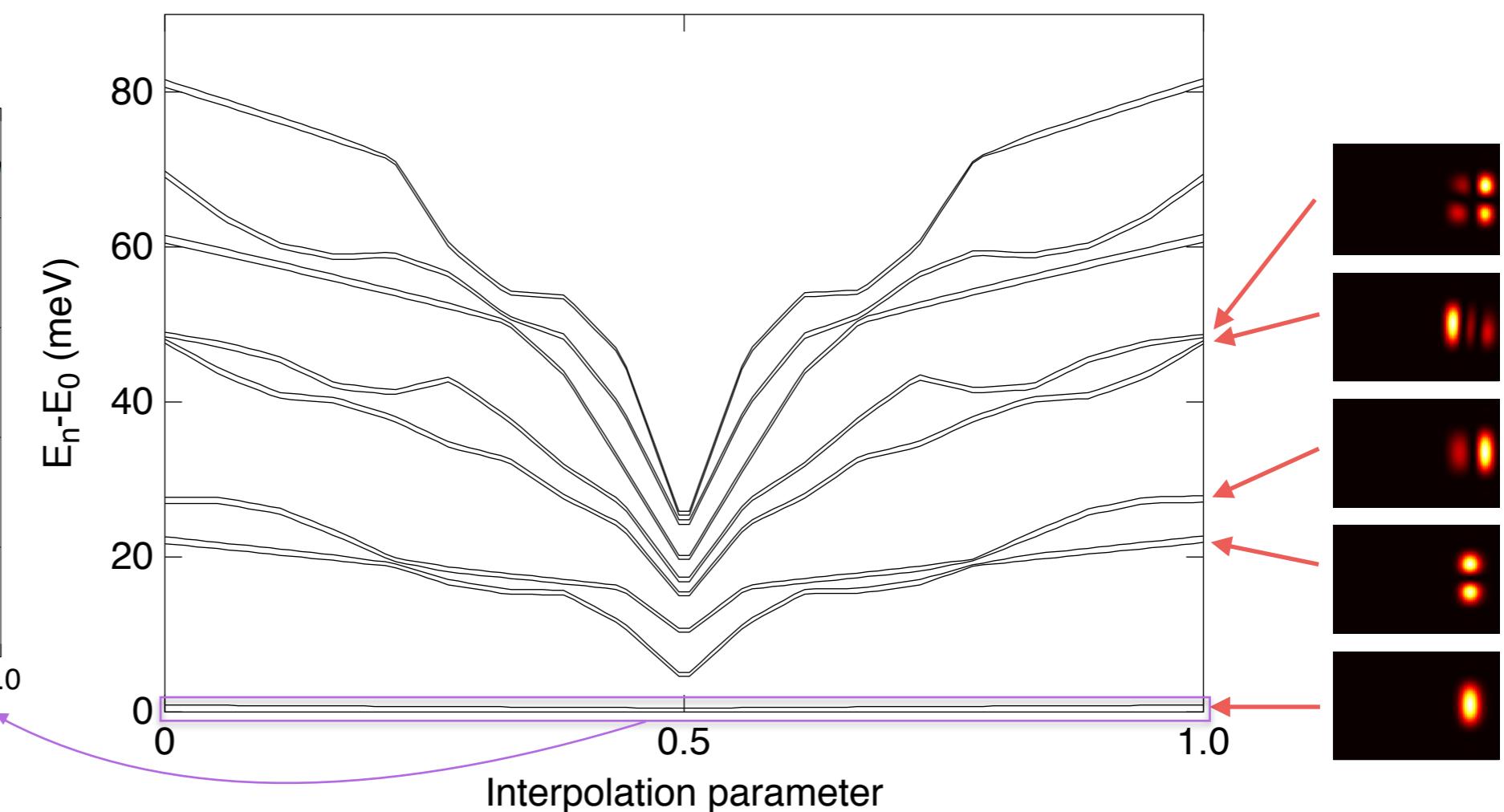
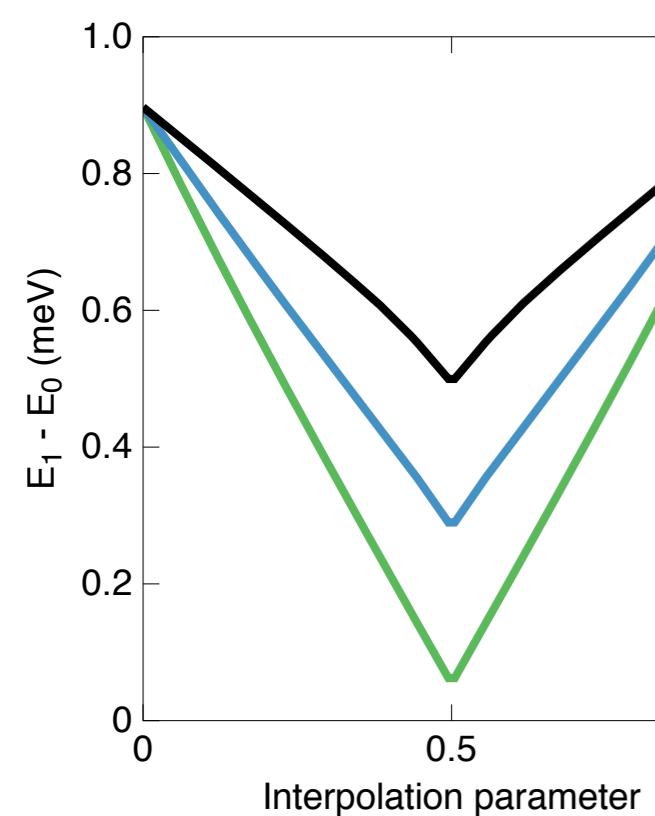
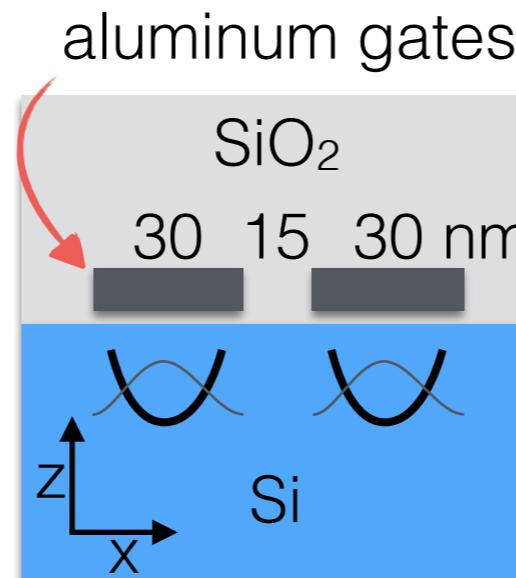
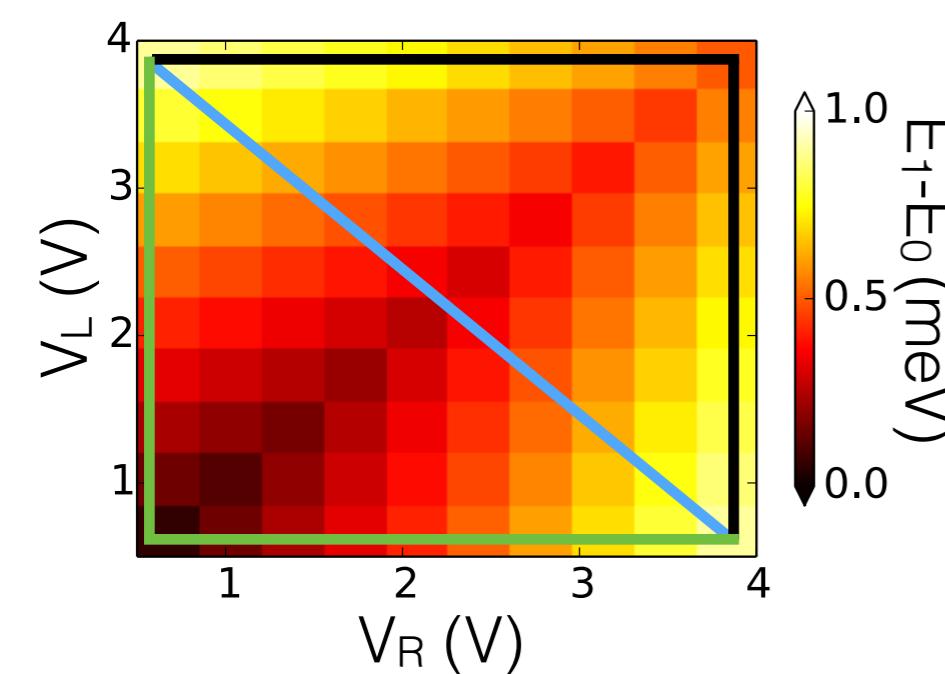
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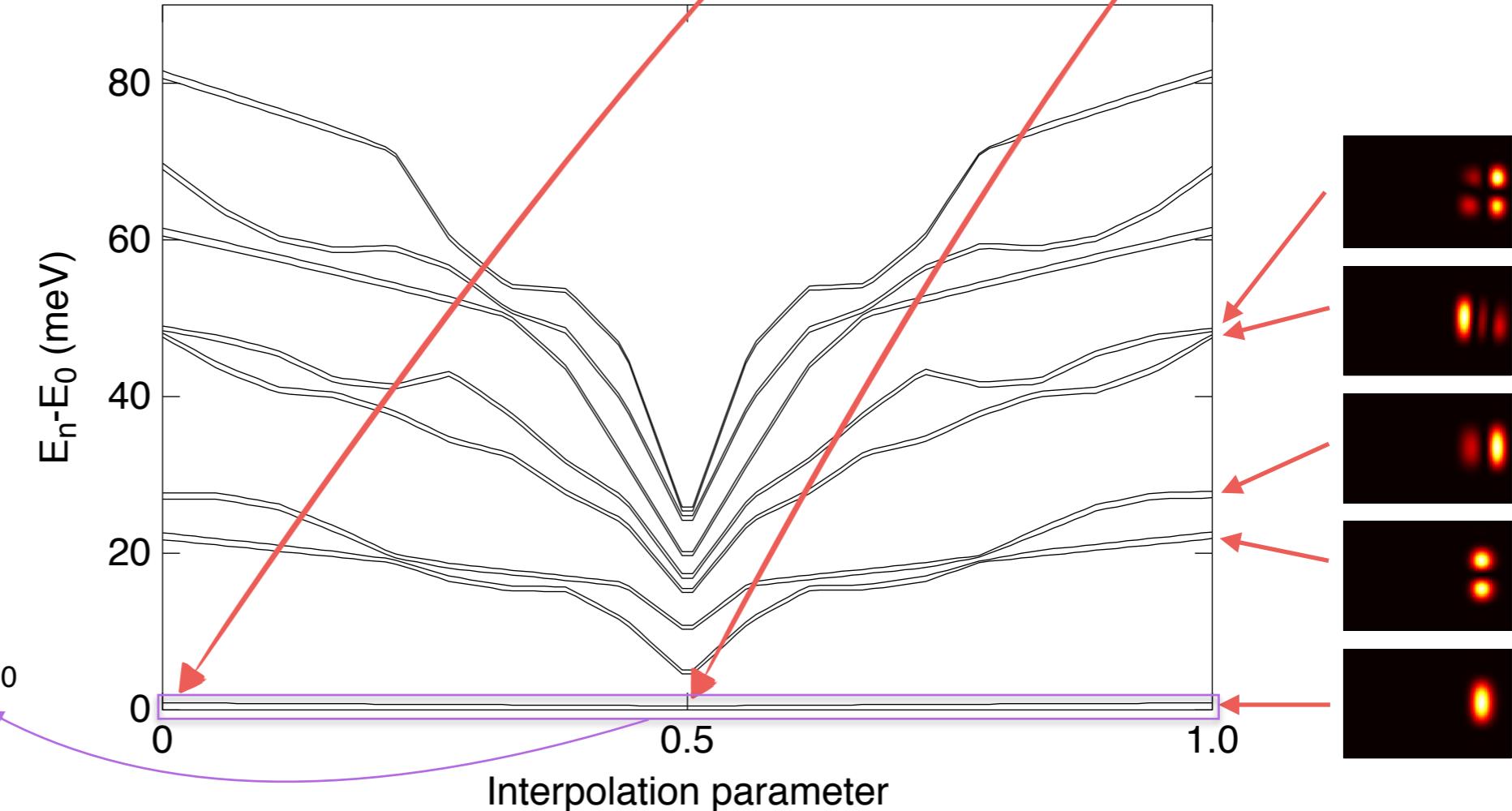
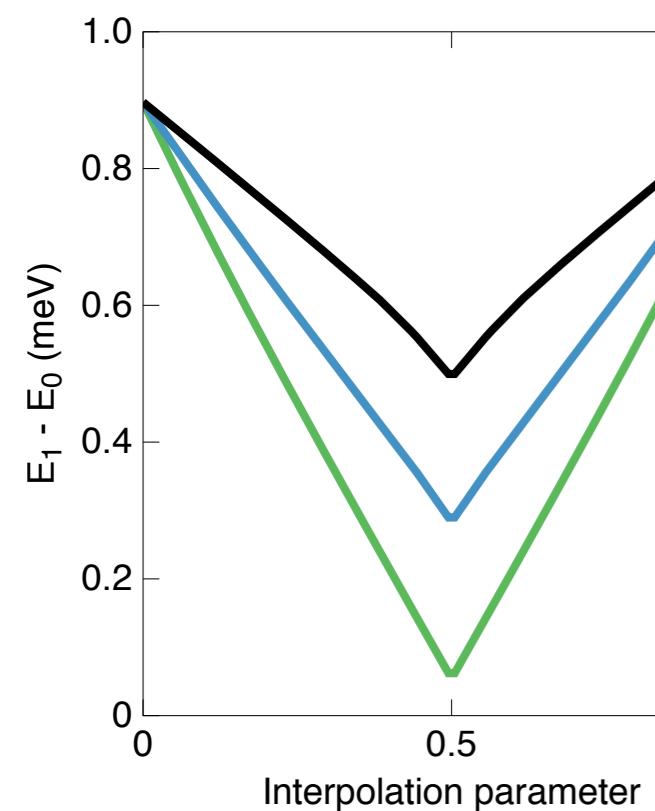
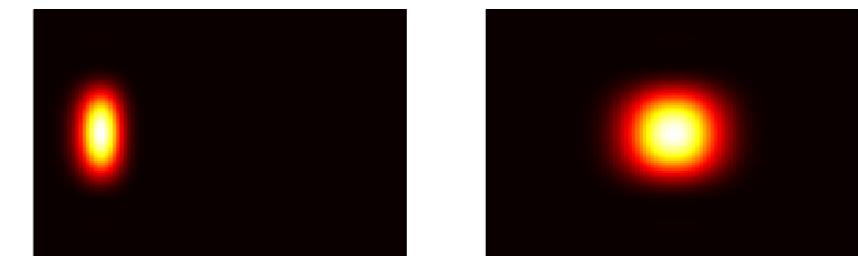
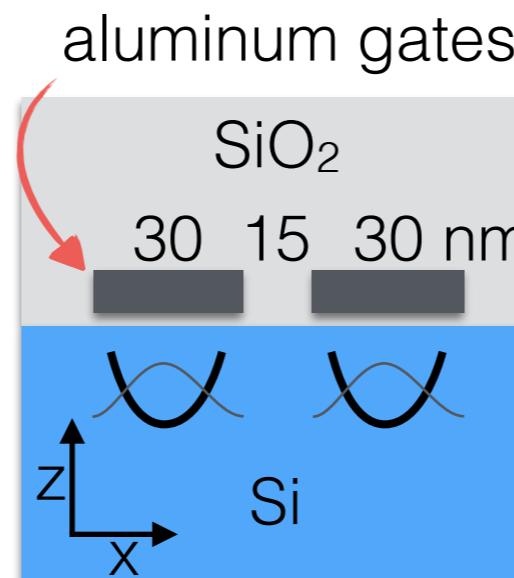
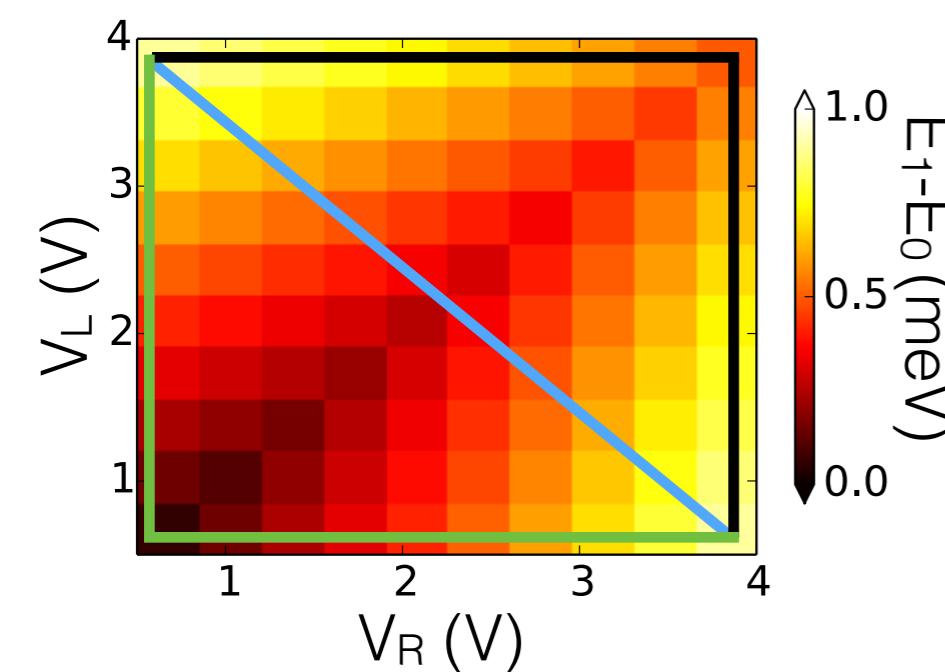
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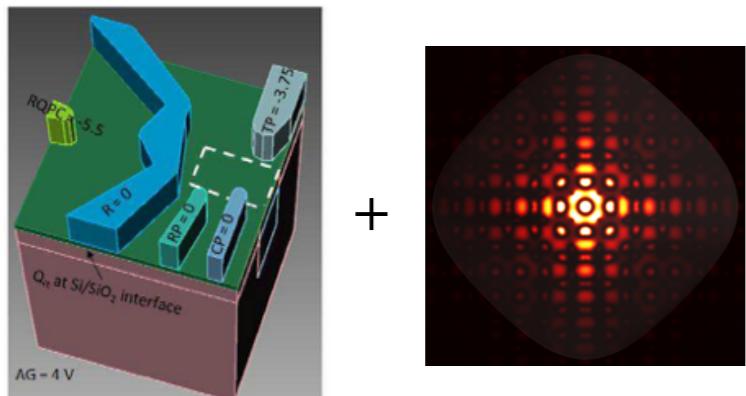
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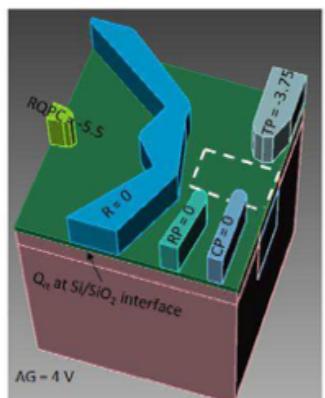
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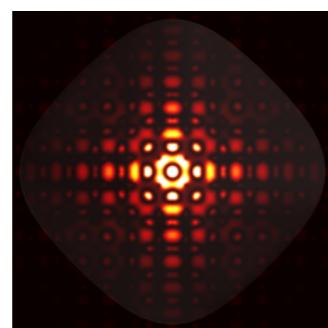


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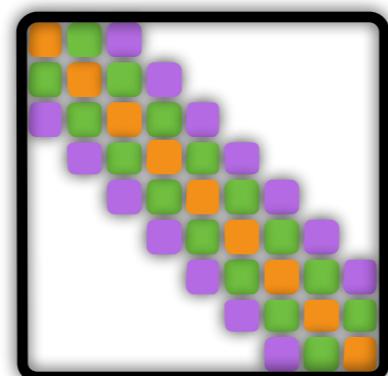
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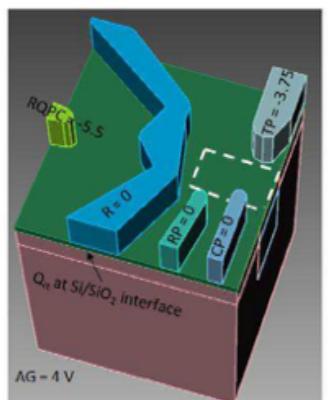


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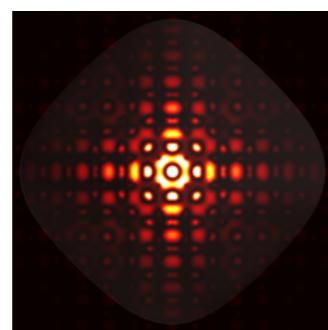


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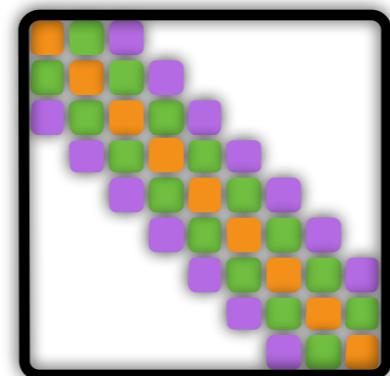
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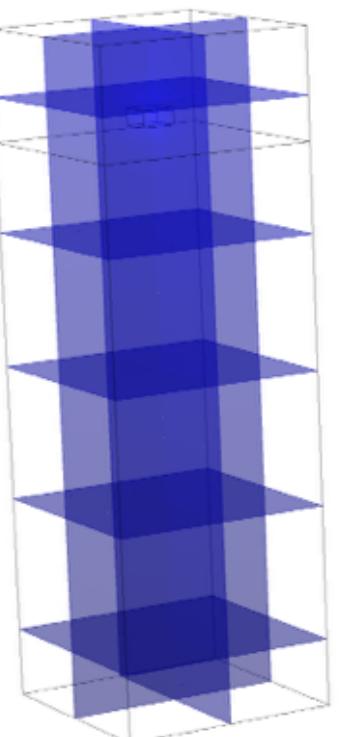
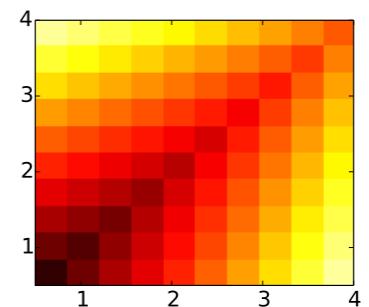
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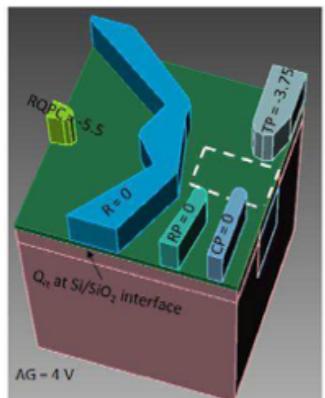


device-level simulation
with full valley physics

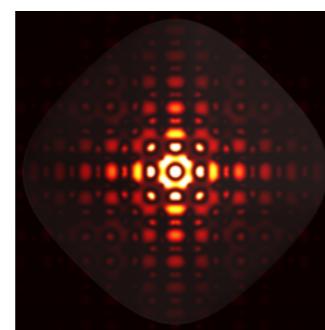


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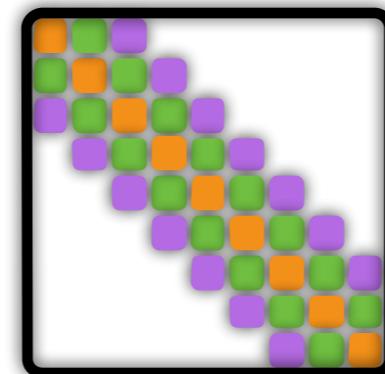
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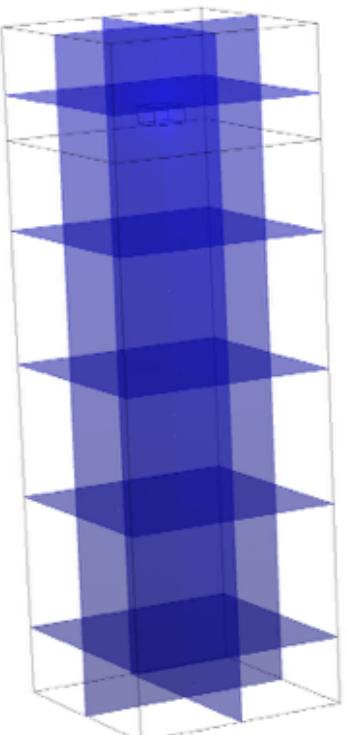
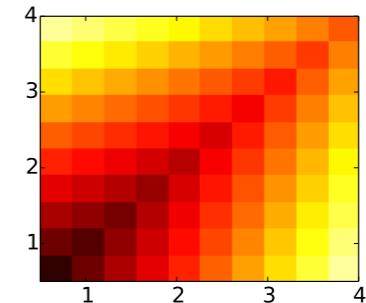
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device-level simulation
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- Multiple electrons
- More realistic structures (including disorder)
- Dynamical modeling (optimal control?)
- Spin physics

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