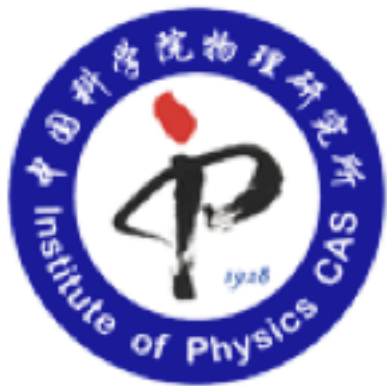


# The Winter School on DFT: Theories and Practical Aspects

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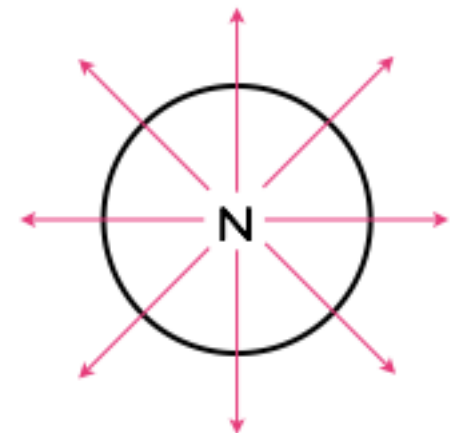
# Band Topology Theory and Topological Materials Prediction



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# 2016 Nobel Prize in Physics



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*"for theoretical discoveries of topological phase transitions and topological phases of matter"*

**They revealed the secrets of exotic matter**

# TKNN number

## Quantized Hall Conductance in a Two-Dimensional Periodic Potential

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The Hall conductance of a two-dimensional electron gas has been studied in a uniform magnetic field and a periodic substrate potential  $U$ . The Kubo formula is written in a form that makes apparent the quantization when the Fermi energy lies in a gap. Explicit expressions have been obtained for the Hall conductance for both large and small  $U/\hbar\omega_c$ .

Because of the relation between the velocity operator and the derivatives of  $\hat{H}$ , the Kubo formula can be written as

$$\sigma_H = \frac{ie^2}{A_0 \hbar} \sum_{\epsilon_\alpha < E_F} \sum_{\epsilon_\beta > E_F} \frac{(\partial \hat{H} / \partial k_1)_{\alpha\beta} (\partial \hat{H} / \partial k_2)_{\beta\alpha} - (\partial \hat{H} / \partial k_2)_{\alpha\beta} (\partial \hat{H} / \partial k_1)_{\beta\alpha}}{(\epsilon_\alpha - \epsilon_\beta)^2}, \quad (4)$$

where  $A_0$  is the area of the system and  $\epsilon_\alpha, \epsilon_\beta$  are eigenvalues of the Hamiltonian. This can be related to the partial derivatives of the wave functions  $u$ , and gives

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_H &= \frac{ie^2}{2\pi\hbar} \sum \int d^2k \int d^2r \left( \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial k_1} \frac{\partial u}{\partial k_2} - \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial k_2} \frac{\partial u}{\partial k_1} \right) \\ &= \frac{ie^2}{4\pi\hbar} \sum \oint dk_j \int d^2r \left( u^* \frac{\partial u}{\partial k_j} - \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial k_j} u \right), \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

where the sum is over the occupied electron subbands and the integrations are over the unit cells in  $r$  and  $k$  space. The integral over the  $k$ -space unit cell has been converted to an integral around the unit cell by Stokes's theorem. For nonoverlapping subbands  $\psi$  is a single-valued analytic function everywhere in the unit cell, which can

only change by an  $r$ -independent phase factor  $\theta$  when  $k_1$  is changed by  $2\pi/aq$  or  $k_2$  by  $2\pi/b$ . The integrand reduces to  $\partial\theta/\partial k_j$ . The integral is  $2i$  times the change in phase around the unit cell and must be an integer multiple of  $4\pi i$ .

The problem of evaluating this quantum number remains. We have considered the potential

$$U(x, y) = U_1 \cos(2\pi x/a) + U_2 \cos(2\pi y/b), \quad (6)$$

both in the limit of a weak periodic potential ( $|U| \ll \hbar\omega_c$ ) and in the tight-binding limit of a strong periodic potential. In the weak-potential limit the wave function can be written as a superposition of the nearly degenerate Landau functions in

# Haldane Model

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## Model for a Quantum Hall Effect without Landau Levels: Condensed-Matter Realization of the "Parity Anomaly"

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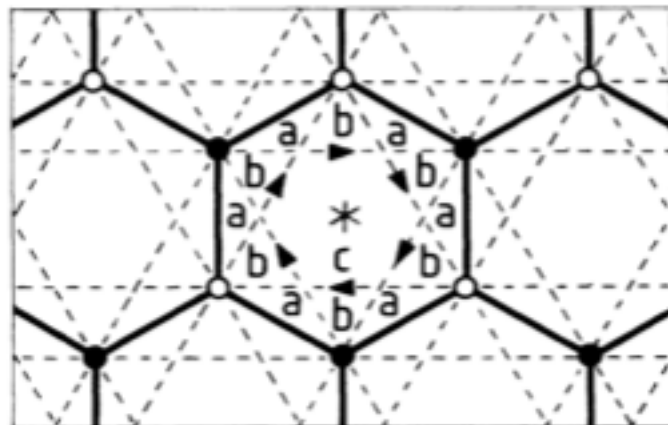
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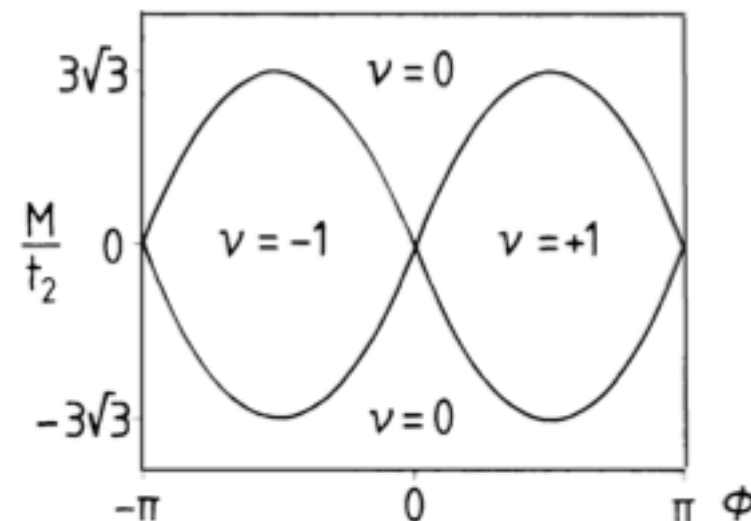
A two-dimensional condensed-matter lattice model is presented which exhibits a nonzero quantization of the Hall conductance  $\sigma^{xy}$  in the *absence* of an external magnetic field. Massless fermions *without spectral doubling* occur at critical values of the model parameters, and exhibit the so-called "parity anomaly" of (2+1)-dimensional field theories.

PACS numbers: 05.30.Fk, 11.30.Rd

$$H(\mathbf{k}) = 2t_2 \cos\phi \left[ \sum_i \cos(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{b}_i) \right] I + t_1 \left[ \sum_i [\cos(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{a}_i) \sigma^1 + \sin(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{a}_i) \sigma^2] \right] + \left[ M - 2t_2 \sin\phi \left[ \sum_i \sin(\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{b}_i) \right] \right] \sigma^3, \quad (1)$$



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# Outline

- Band topology theory

Topological insulator (TI) and

Topological Semimetal (TS): the topological metal in 3D

## TS family

- Dirac semi-metal (DSM)
- Weyl semi-metal (WSM)
- Node-line semi-metal (NLSM)
- Triply-degenerate Nodal Point semi-metal (TDNP)

### **Review papers on topological quantum states from first-principles calculations**

Hongming Weng, Xi Dai and Zhong Fang, *MRS Bulletin* **39**, 849 (2014)

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Hongming Weng, Xi Dai and Zhong Fang, *J. Phys.: Condens. Matter* **28**, 303001 (2016)

# Topology in real space



## I. Topological invariant

Number of holes enclosed by compact surface: genus

Continuous deformation (adiabatic transformation)  
coffee mug? or donut?



$g=0$



$g=1$



$g=2$



3D number of hole

## Gauss–Bonnet theorem



Unknot

$n=0$



$3_1$

$n=3$



$s=2$



$s=1$

1D number of knot

2D number of surface

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_S K dA = 2(1 - g)$$

S: compact surface  
K: Gauss curvature  
dA: element of area

## 2. Topological transition



# Insulator & Metal from Band Theory

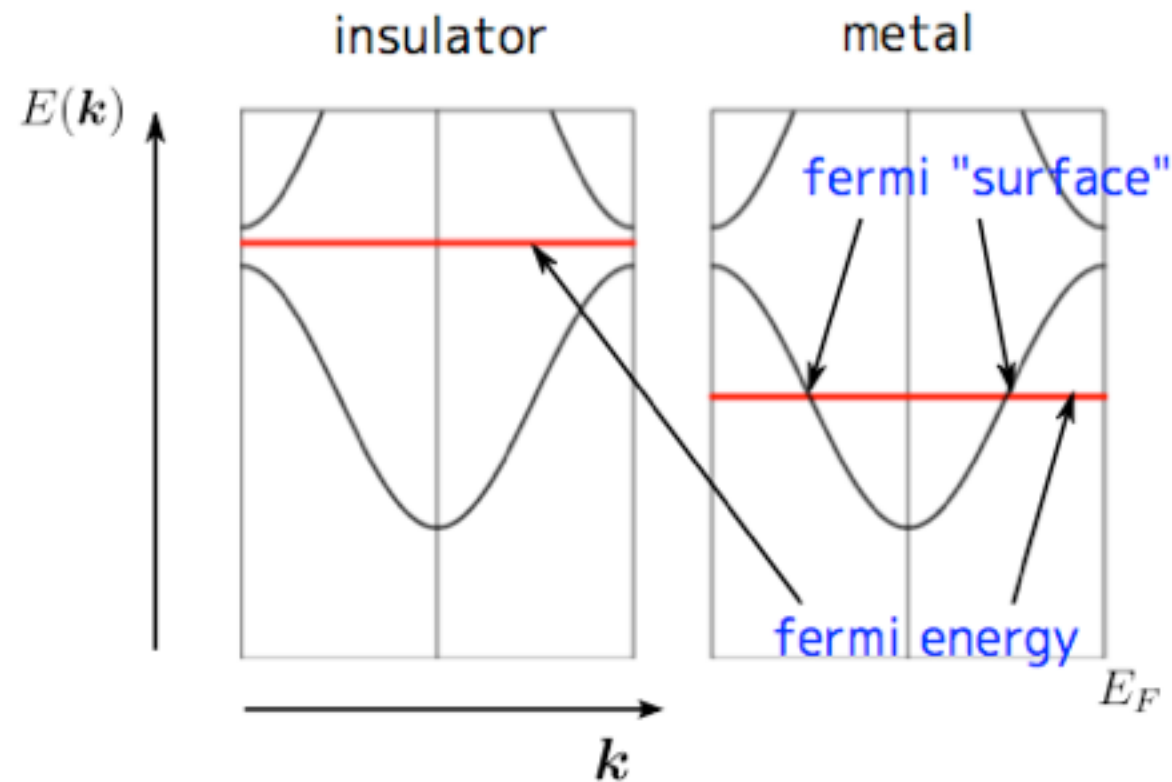


cell-periodic hamiltonian

$$\hat{H}(\vec{k}) = e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r}} \hat{H} e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r}}$$

$$u_{n,\vec{k}}(\vec{r}) = e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r}} \psi_{n,\vec{k}}(\vec{r})$$

$$\hat{H}(\vec{k}) |u_{n,\vec{k}}(\vec{r})\rangle = E_n(\vec{k}) |u_{n,\vec{k}}(\vec{r})\rangle$$

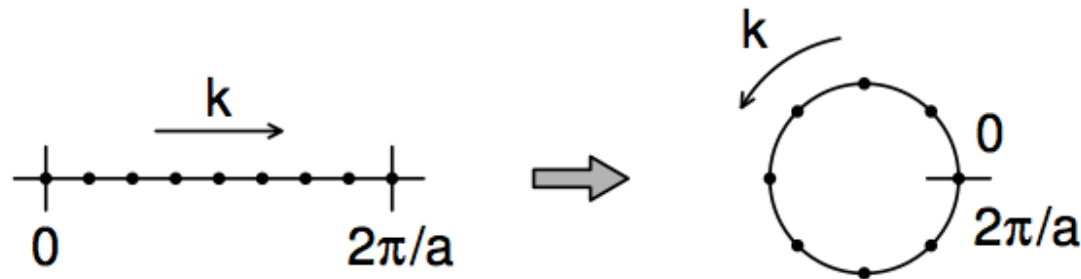


crystal momentum in  
1st Brillouin Zone, BZ

**What are hidden/ignored?**

Quantum geometrical phase  
revealed by M.V. Berry.

# Berry Phase and Wannier function



1D hybrid WF :  $|w_0\rangle = \frac{a}{2\pi} \int dk e^{ikx} |u_k\rangle$

$$x_0 = \langle w_0 | x | w_0 \rangle$$

$$x|w_0\rangle = \frac{a}{2\pi} \int dk (-i\partial_k e^{ikx}) |u_k\rangle = \frac{a}{2\pi} \int dk e^{ikx} i |\partial_k u_k\rangle$$

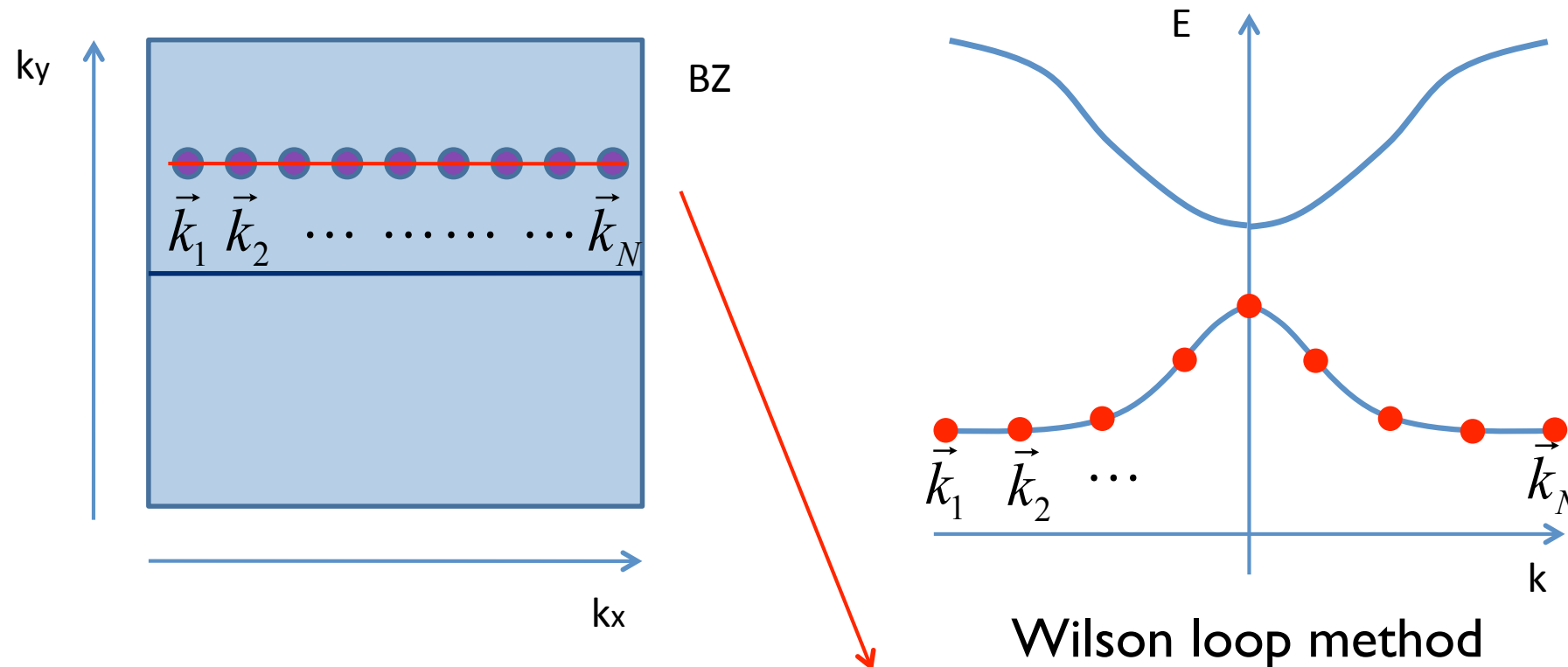
$$x_0 = -\frac{a}{2\pi} \text{Im} \int_0^{2\pi/a} dk \langle u_k | \partial_k | u_k \rangle$$

$$x_0 = \frac{a\phi}{2\pi}$$

that is, *the Berry phase  $\phi$  introduced earlier is nothing other than a measure of the location of the Wannier center in the unit cell.* The fact that  $\phi$  was



# Introduction to Berry Phase



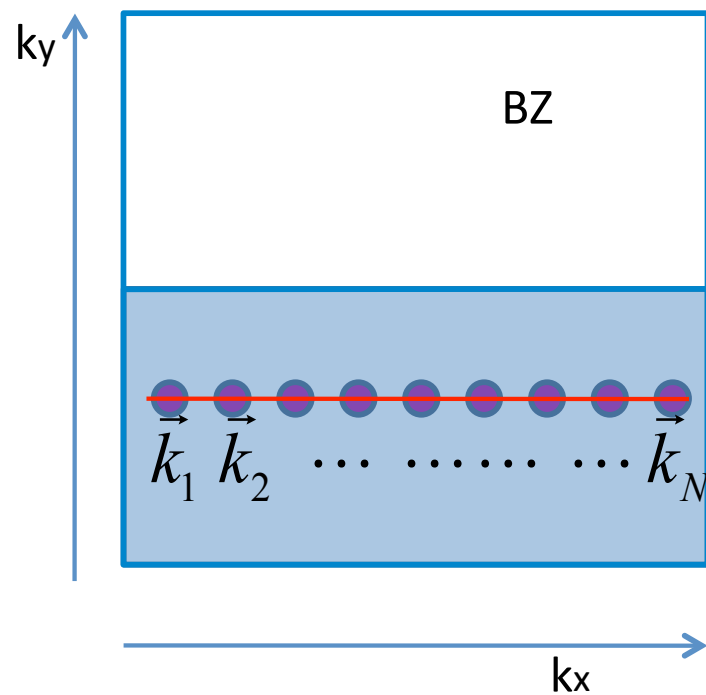
$$\langle u_{\vec{k}_1}^- | u_{\vec{k}_2}^- \rangle \langle u_{\vec{k}_2}^- | u_{\vec{k}_3}^- \rangle \cdots \langle u_{\vec{k}_{N-1}}^- | u_{\vec{k}_N}^- \rangle \langle u_{\vec{k}_N}^- | u_{\vec{k}_1}^- \rangle = A e^{i\theta(k_y)}$$

Berry connection

Meaning of the phase:  
the center of the Wannier  
function for 1D band insulator  
or the charge center

# Introduction to Berry Phase

## Generalized Berry connection



Wilson loop method

Non Abelian Berry connection:

$$U_{i,i+1}^{nm}(k_y) = \langle u_{n,k_i} | u_{m,k_{i+1}} \rangle$$

$m, n=1,2$

Define the D matrix as:

$$D(k_y) = U_{1,2} U_{2,3} U_{3,4} \cdots U_{N-1,N} U_{N,1}$$

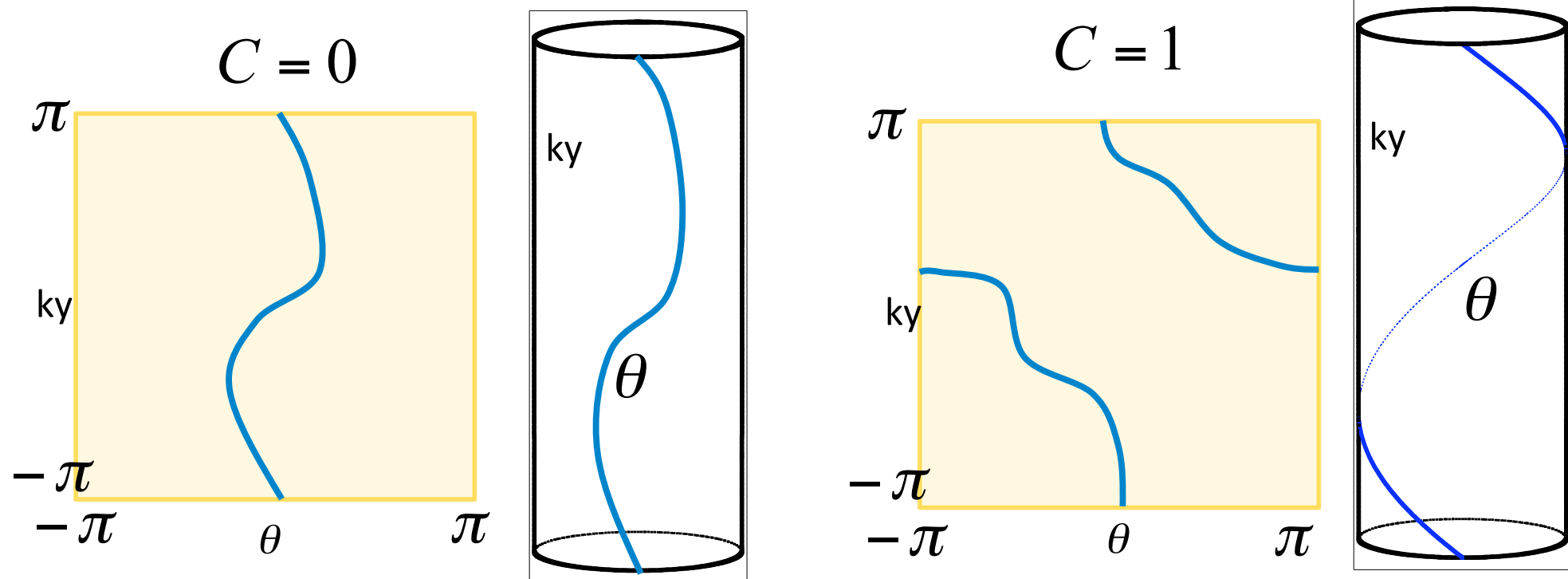
D: 2 x 2

The eigenvalues of  $D(k_y)$  is  $e^{i\theta_n(k_y)}$

$n=1,2$

# Berry Phase & Band Topology

$\theta_n(k_y)$  is the center position of the  $n$ 'th Wannier function.

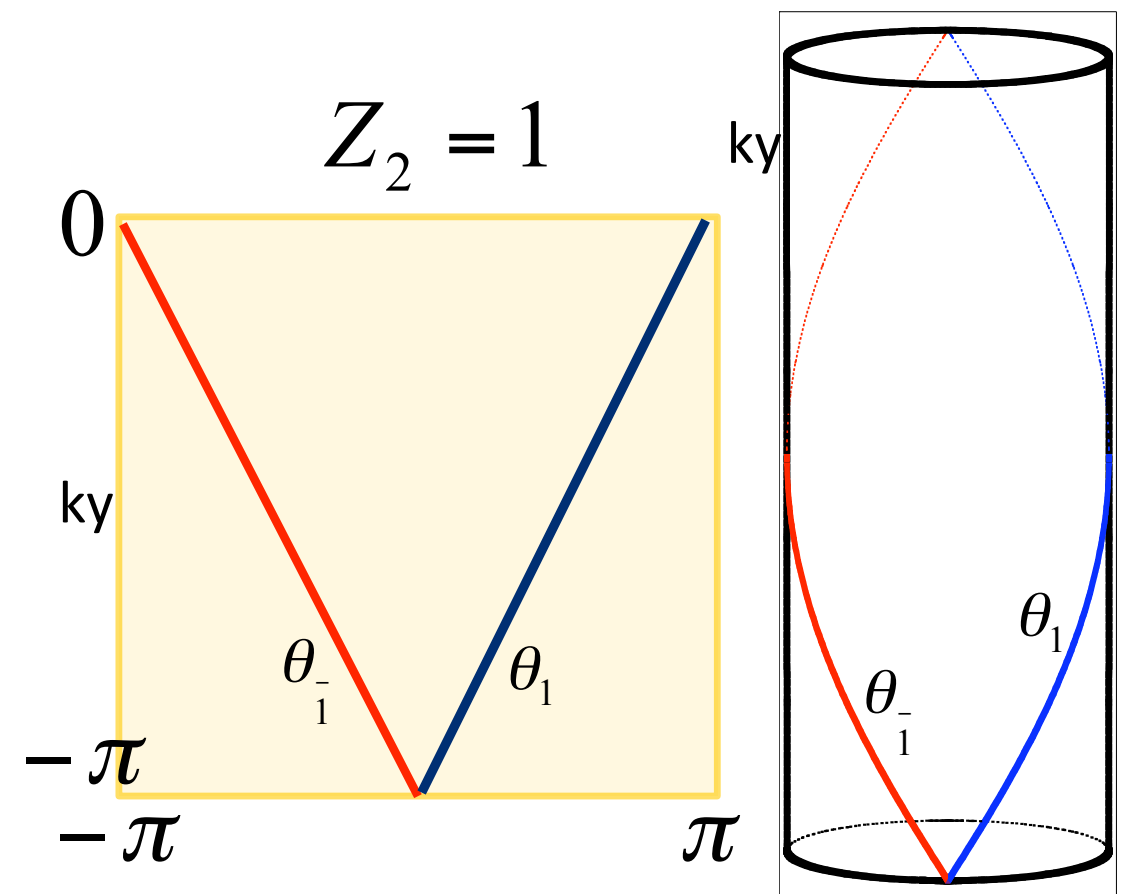
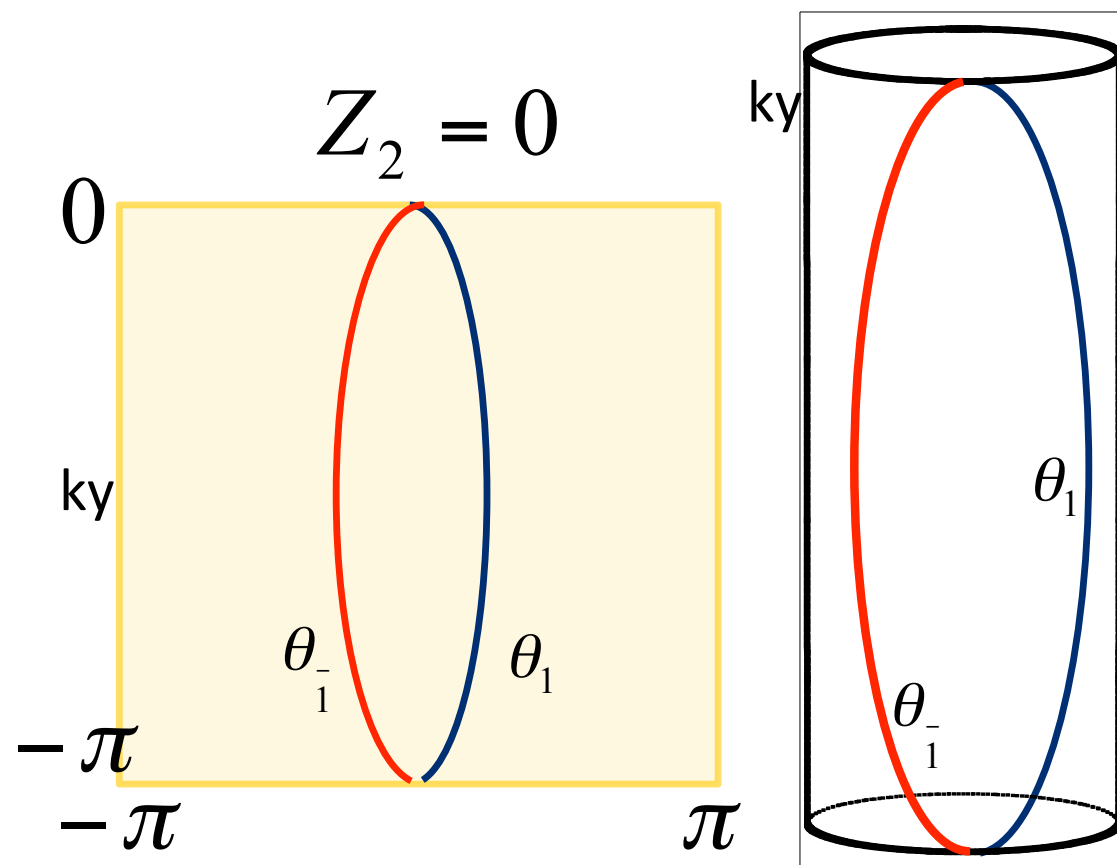


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# Berry Phase & Band Topology

time-reversal symmetry makes  $\theta(k_y)$  is doubly degenerate at  $k_y=0$  and  $k_y=\pi$

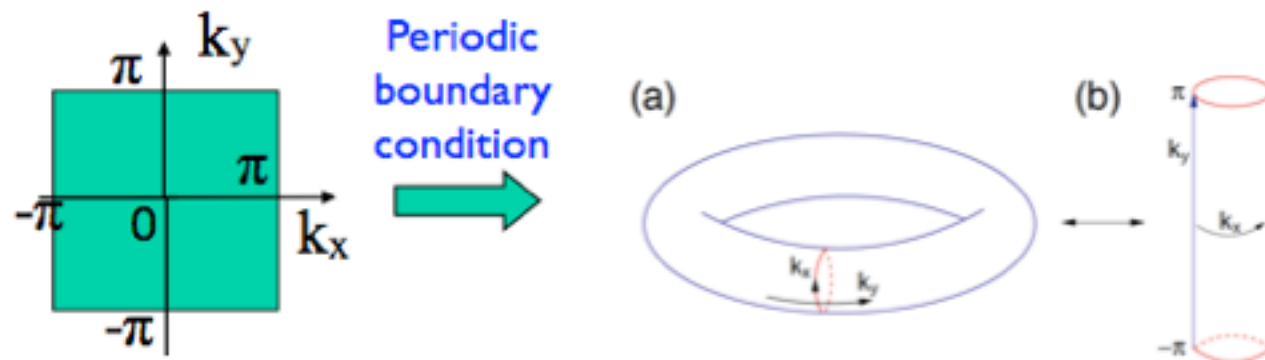


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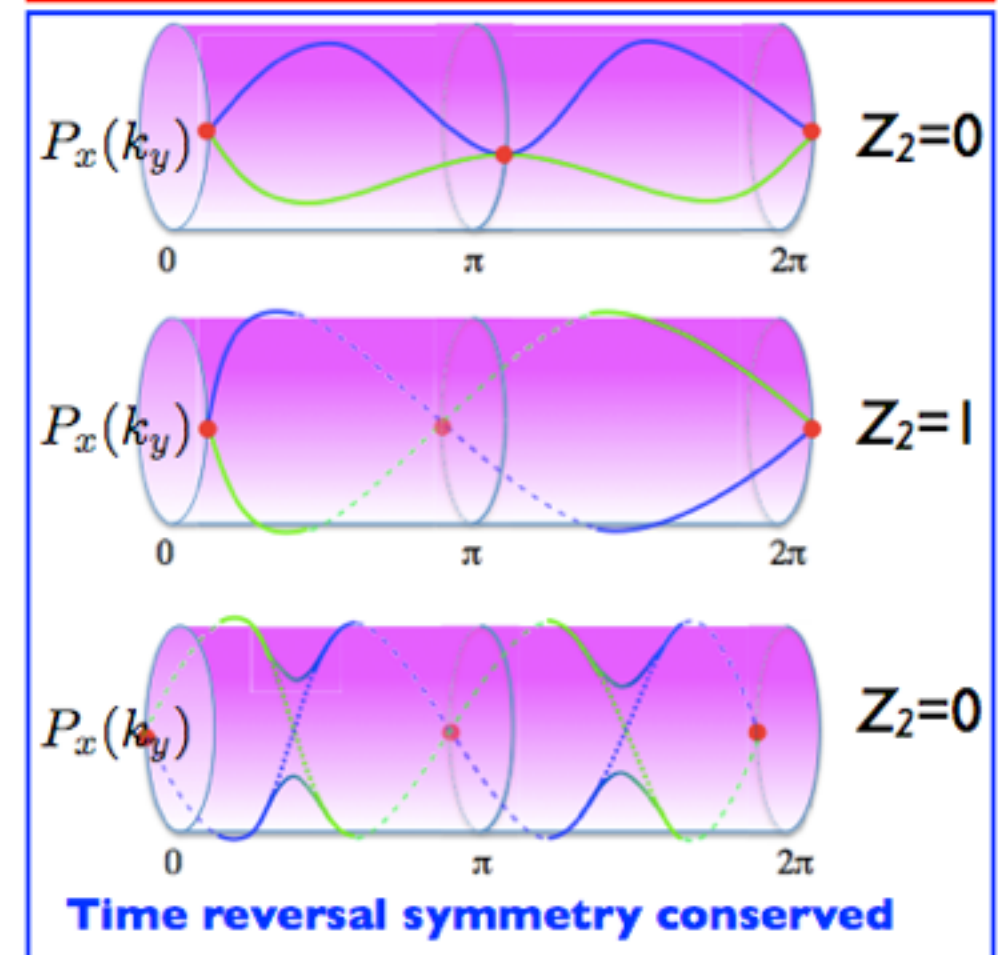
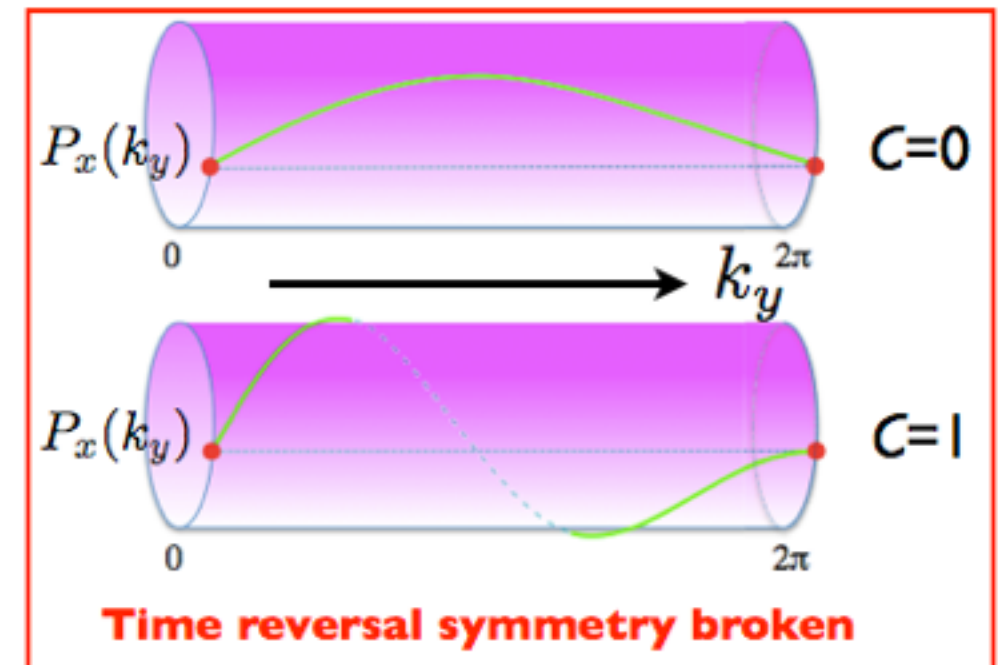
# Wilson loop method for determining Topology of bands



$$\begin{aligned}
 C &= -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int \int dk_x dk_y (\partial_x A_y(k_x, k_y) - \partial_y A_x(k_x, k_y)) \\
 &= -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} dk_y (A_y(2\pi, k_y) - A_y(0, k_y)) \\
 &+ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} dk_y \partial_y \left( \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} dk_x A_x(k_x, k_y) \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} dk_y \partial_y \left( \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} dk_x A_x(k_x, k_y) \right) \\
 &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} dP_x(k_y)
 \end{aligned}$$

**1D hybrid Wannier Center:  $x$ -direction only**

$$P_x(k_y) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} A_x(k_x, k_y) dk_x = \gamma(k_y)/2\pi$$



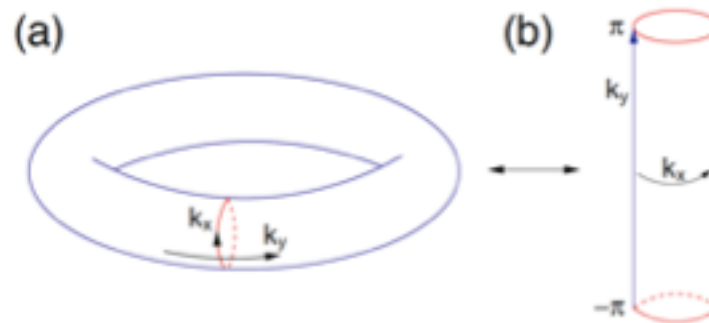
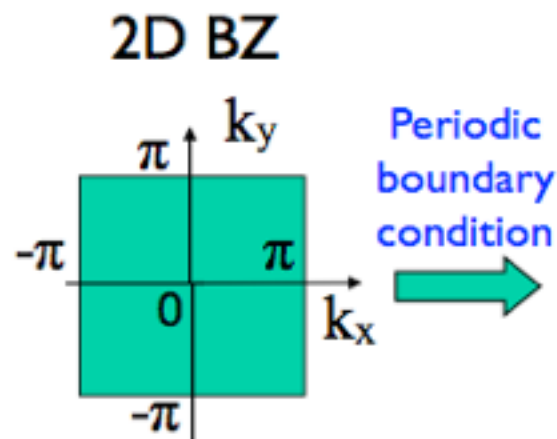
# Magnetic Monopole & Band topology

$$\psi_{n\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r}) = e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} u_{n\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r}) e^{i\phi_n(\mathbf{k})}$$

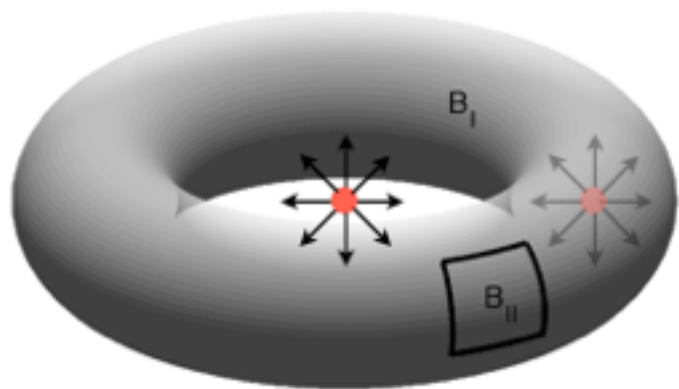
$$\begin{aligned} \phi_n &= \oint_C \vec{A}(\vec{k}) d\vec{k} \\ &= \iint_{S(c)} \Omega_z(\vec{k}) dk^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{A}(\vec{k}) = \sum_n \langle n\vec{k} | \vec{\nabla}_k | n\vec{k} \rangle$$

$$\vec{\Omega}(\vec{k}) = \vec{\nabla}_k \times \vec{A}(\vec{k})$$

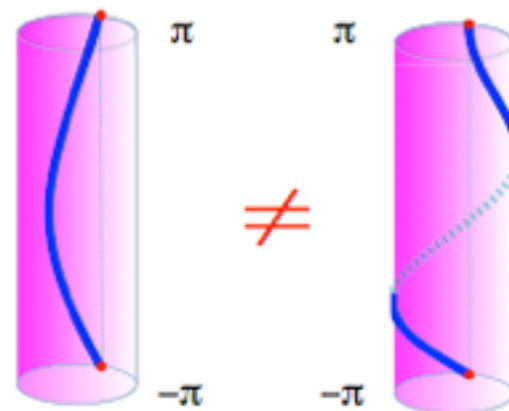


## Gauss' theorem



number of monopole enclosed  
by momentum space

## $\phi_n(\mathbf{k})$ winding number



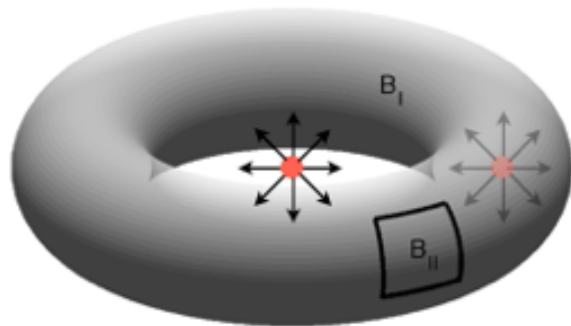
winding number



# Magnetic Monopole & Band topology

## Insulator vs. Metal

### Gauss' theorem

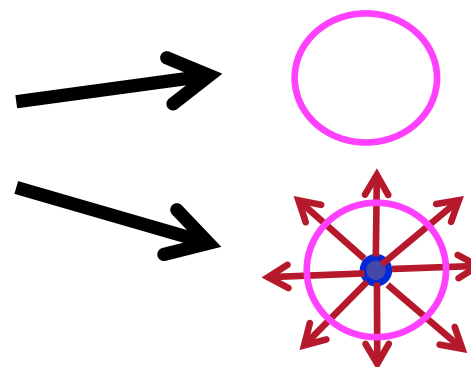


number of monopole enclosed  
by momentum space

The adiabatic loop does not necessarily  
passing through the magnetic monopole.

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \oint_{FS} \vec{\Omega}(k) \cdot dS(k) = C_{FS}$$

Defined on 2D Fermi surface  
of a 3D metallic system



Normal metal

Topological metal

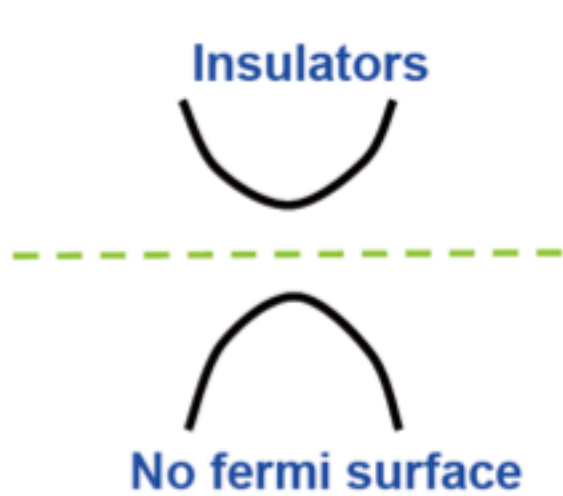
Generalized from [whole Brillouin zone in insulators](#) to  
any closed manifold in crystal momentum space.

# State of matter from Band Topology

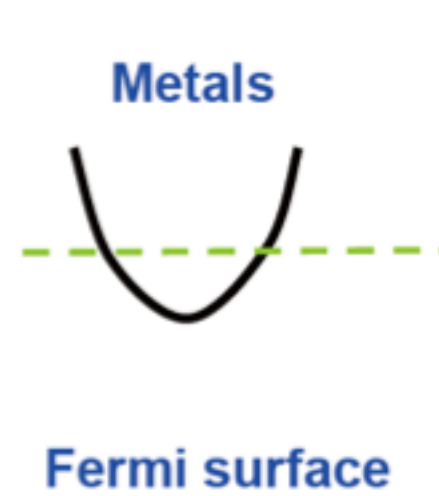
**Insulator:**  
no fermi surface

**?Metal?**

Three types of Fermi surface

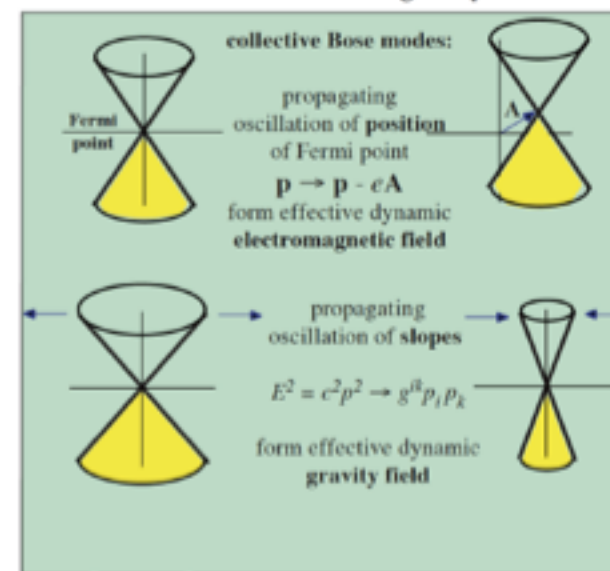
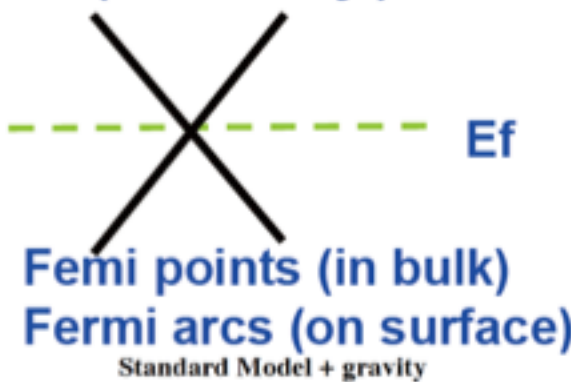


Normal Insulator  
+  
Topologically  
nontrivial Insulator

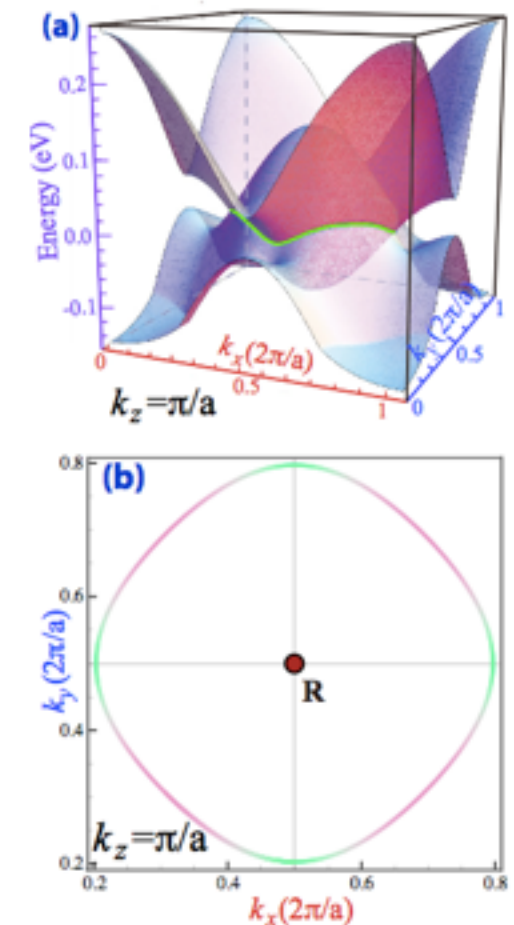


Normal Metal + Topological Semi-metal

Semi-metal  
(Dirac, Weyl)



**Nodal line**



Extended the concept of topology to metal.

- Weyl Semimetal
- Dirac Semimetal
- Node-line Semimetal



# Recent Research Interests

## 1. **Explore** new Topological Quantum States

**Dirac Semimetal:** Na<sub>3</sub>Bi (PRB'12, Science'14) Cd<sub>3</sub>As<sub>2</sub> (PRB'13, Nat.Mater.'14)

**Weyl Semimetal:** HgCr<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>4</sub> (PRL'11), TaAs (3xPRX'15, Nat. Phys.'15, PRL'15, Nat. Commun.'16)

**Node-line Semimetal:** 3D carbon crystal (PRB'15, PRL'16), Cu<sub>3</sub>PdN(PRL'15)

**Triply-Degenerated-Nodal-Point semimetal:** TaN (PRB'16), ZrTe (PRB'16)

## 2. **Understand** new Topological Quantum Phenomena

**Correlated Topological Insulator** SmB<sub>6</sub> (PRL'12, Nat. Commun.'14)

YbB<sub>6</sub> & YbB<sub>12</sub> (PRL'14)

## 3. **Predict** new Topological Materials

Ag<sub>2</sub>Te (PRL'11)

ZrTe<sub>5</sub>&HfTe<sub>5</sub> (PRX'14,PRX'16), MXene (PRB'15), ZrSiO (PRB'15) Large band-gap 2D TI

TiN(PRB'14)

**Works employed OpenMX.**

**Highly Efficient computational tools**  
is the basis

- 1, Local orbital base and pseudo-potential methods
- 2, Wannier function analysis
- 3, LDA++ methods: +Gutzwiller, +DMFT etc.
- 4, Material database

# Methodology

## I, Local orbital base and pseudo-potential methods



### Advantage:

- + Quickly obtain electronic structure
- + from  $O(N^3)$  to  $O(N)$
- + spin-orbit coupling
- + structural optimization & molecular dynamic
- + non-collinear magnetism
- + structural code & easy to be extended

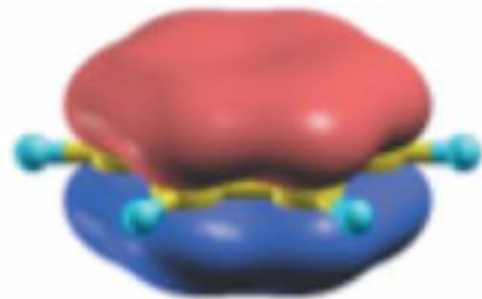
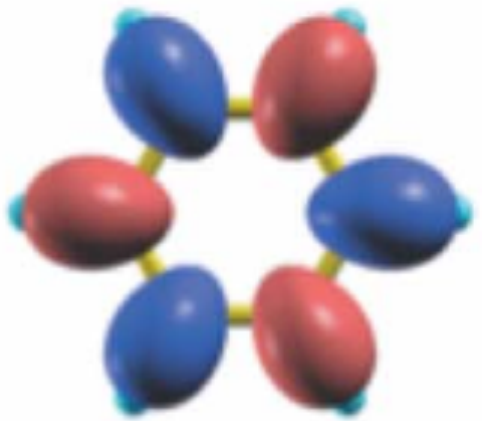
### Disadvantage:

- + cut-off appro. & basis completeness
- + pseudo-potential

<http://www.openmx-square.org>

# Methodology

## 2, Wannier function analysis



### Advantage:

- + Intuitive picture;
- + accurate minimal basis;
- + highly efficient integration

### Features of our code:

- + flexible projector;
- + symmetrized.

**Hongming Weng,\*** T. Ozaki, and K. Terakura, Phys. Rev. B **79**, 235118 (2009)

Recent developments:

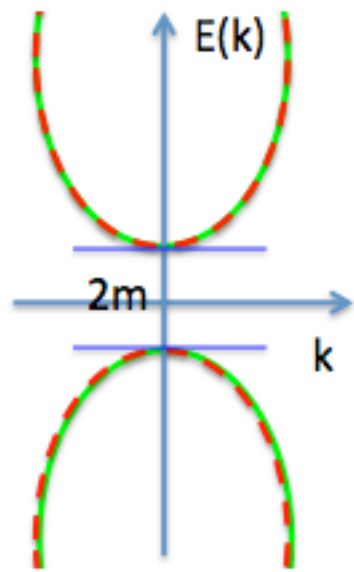
1. Boundary state calculation: slab model & Green's function method
2. Spin texture
3. Wilson loop calculation
4. Parity calculation
5. Anomalous Hall Conductivity calculation

# Dirac & Weyl Fermion

**Dirac** Fermion (1928) 4x4

$$\begin{pmatrix} \hat{E} - c\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{p}} & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{E} + c\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{p}} \end{pmatrix} \psi = mc^2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I_2 \\ I_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \psi$$

$$E(k) = \pm \sqrt{k^2 + m^2}$$

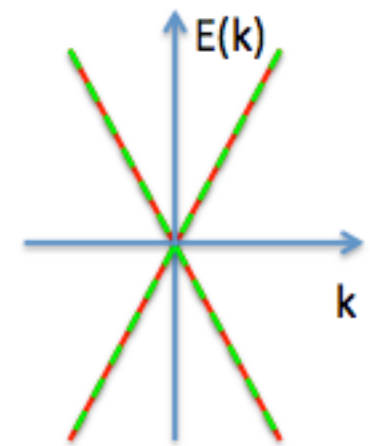


**Massive** Dirac Fermion

**Massless** Dirac Fermion (1929)

**Weyl fermion 2x2**

$$H(\vec{k}) = \vec{k} \cdot \vec{\sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} k_z & k_x - ik_y \\ k_x + ik_y & -k_z \end{bmatrix}$$



**Massless** Dirac Fermion

**Massless** Dirac Fermion: two Weyl Fermions with opposite topological charges “kiss”.

L. Balents, Weyl electrons kiss. *Physics* **4**, 36 (2011).

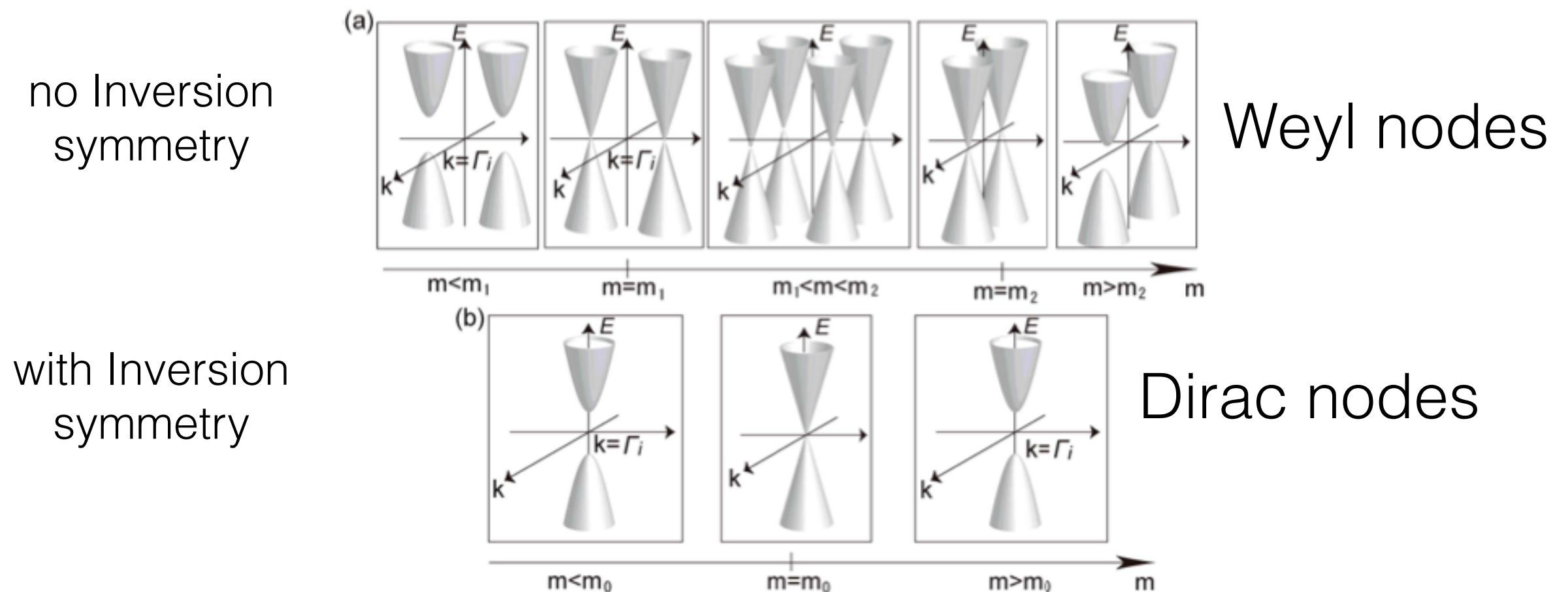
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# Dirac & Weyl Semimetal

## Transition state between TI and NI in 3D

S. Murakami et al. arXiv:1006.1188  
Physica E 43, 748–754 (2011)



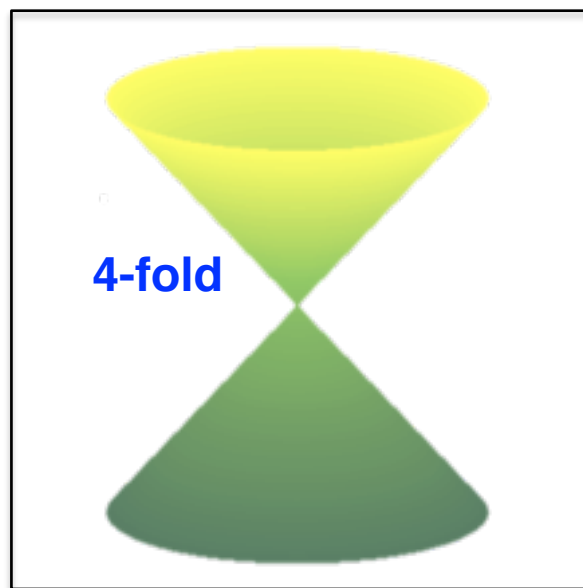
Fragile and hard to control.

3D metal with low energy excitation behaving the same as massless Dirac/Weyl fermion.

# Dirac Semimetal with Band Inversion

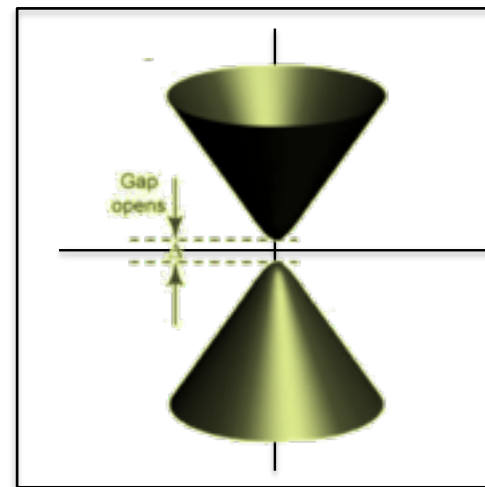
as “singularity point” of various topological states

“3d graphene”

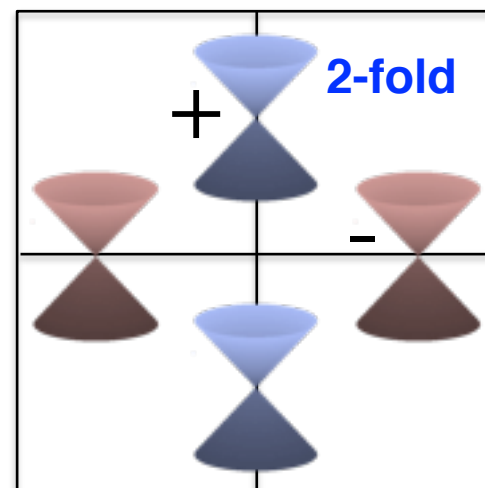
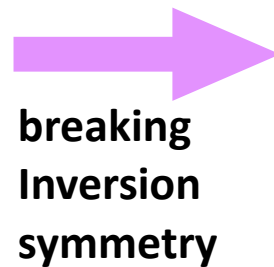


$\text{Na}_3\text{Bi}$  &  $\text{Cd}_3\text{As}_2$

The only two DSMs widely studied experimentally.

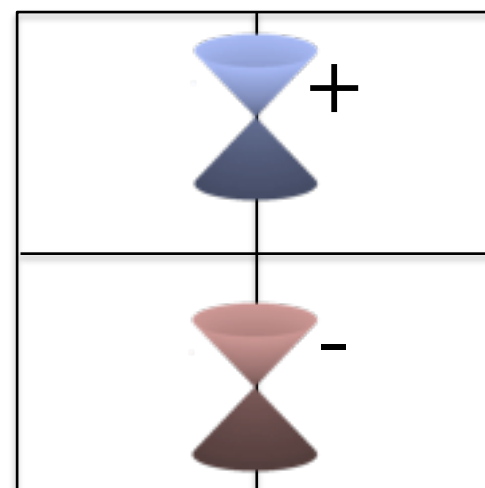
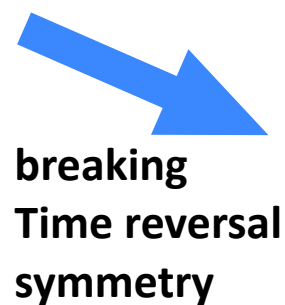


Normal  
OR  
Topological  
Insulator



Noncentrosymmetric  
& nonmagnetic Weyl  
Semimetal

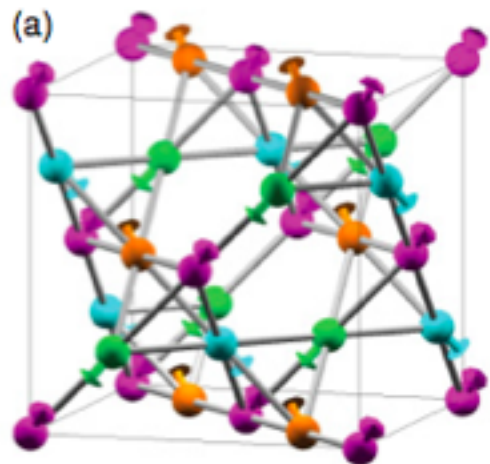
TaAs-family (PRX'15)



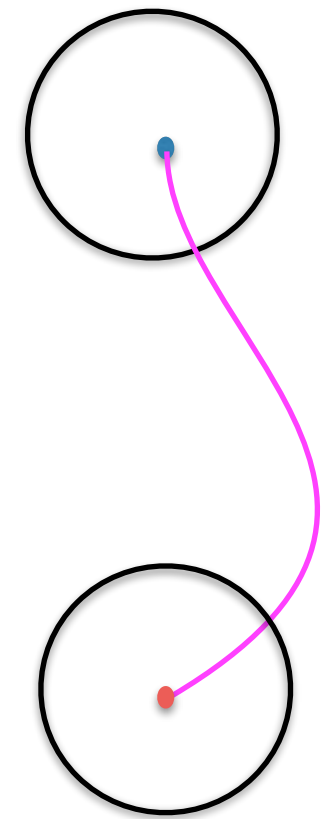
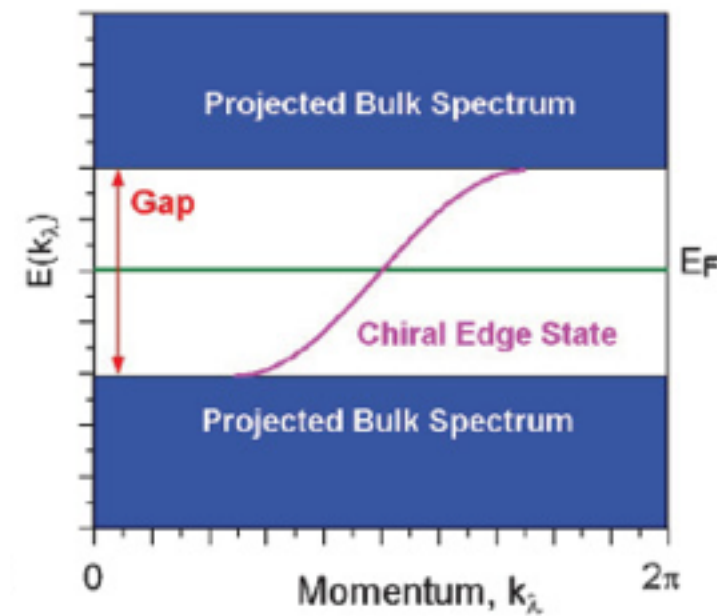
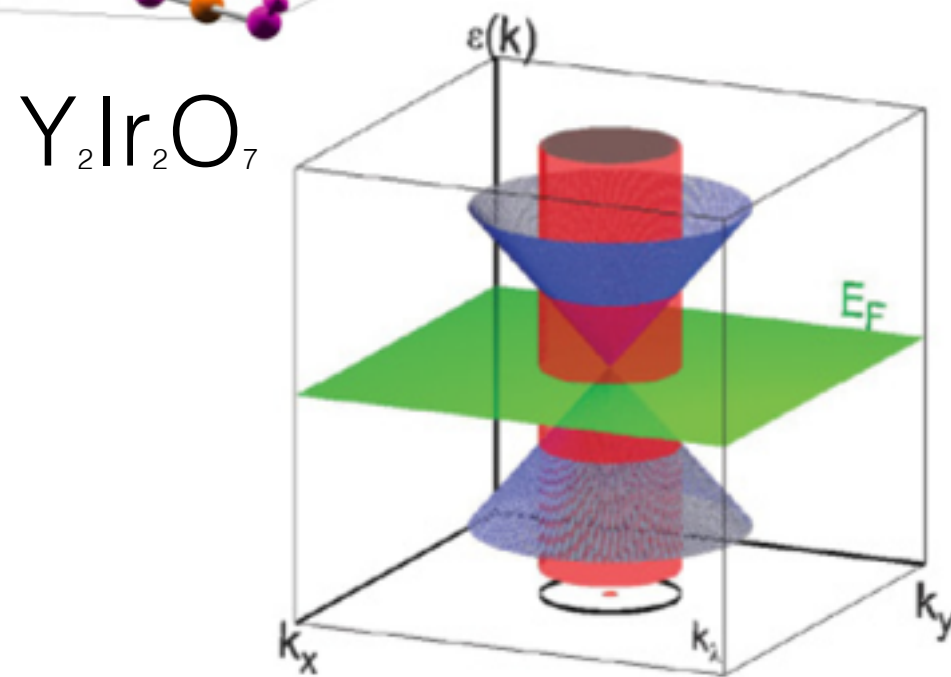
Magnetic Weyl  
Semimetal

$\text{A}_2\text{Ir}_2\text{O}_7$  (X. Wan et al PRB'11),  
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# Fermi arcs of WSM



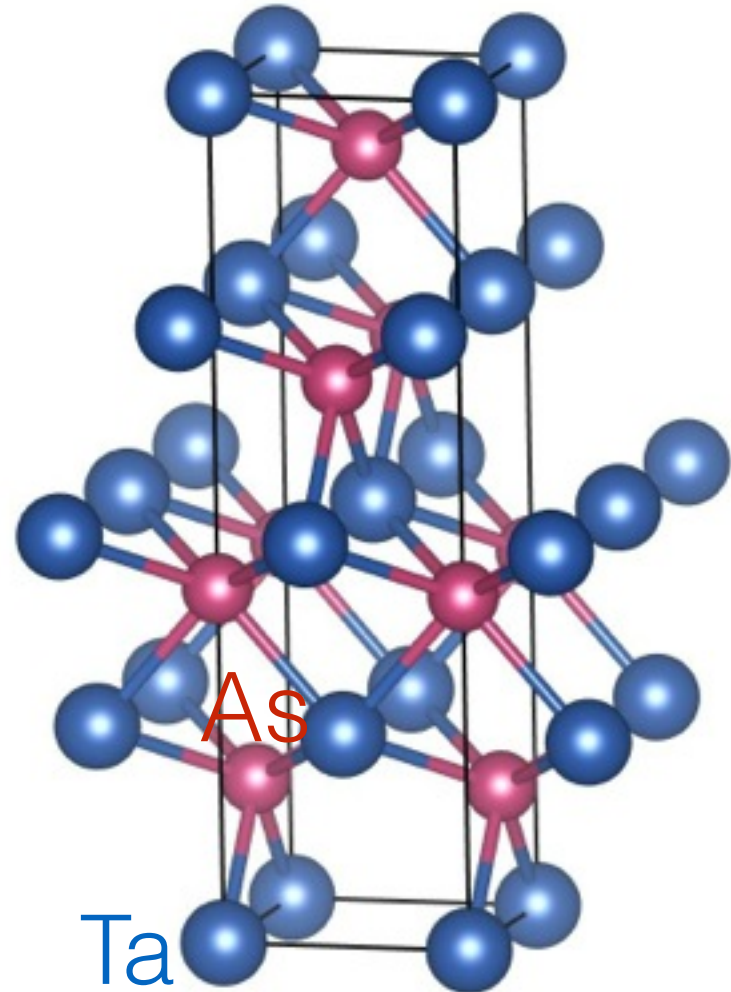
Fermi arcs on the surface



Topview

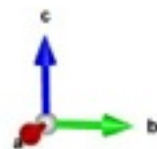
Xiangang Wan *et al.* Phys.Rev.B 83,205101 (2011)

# Crystal structure of TaAs family



Both Ta and As are at  $4a$  Wyckoff position.  
 $(0,0,u)$  and  $u_{\text{Ta}}=0.0$ .

	a=b	c	u
TaAs	3.4348	11.641	0.417
TaP	3.3184	11.363	0.416
NbAs	3.4517	11.680	0.416
NbP	3.33242	11.37059	0.417



Space group  $I4_1md$  (No. 109)  
 Body-centered tetragonal (BCT) structure

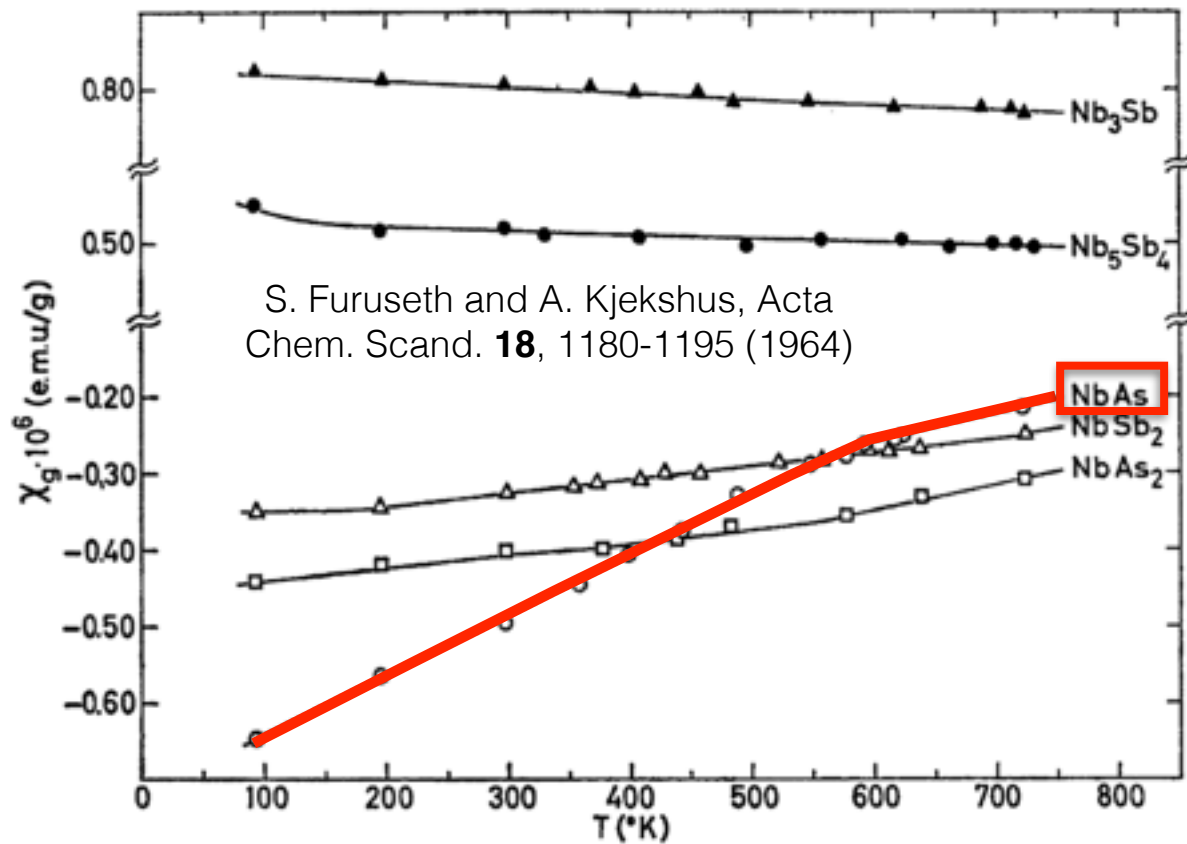
S. Furuseth, K. Selte and A. Kjekshus,  
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Hongming Weng\*, Chen Fang, Zhong Fang, A. Bernevig, Xi Dai,  
<http://arxiv.org/abs/1501.00060> posted on Dec. 31, 2014 and  
 Published as Phys. Rev. X 5, 011029 (2015) in March, 2015.

a similar work from Princeton group  
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# Known properties of TaAs family

## NbAs



## TaAs

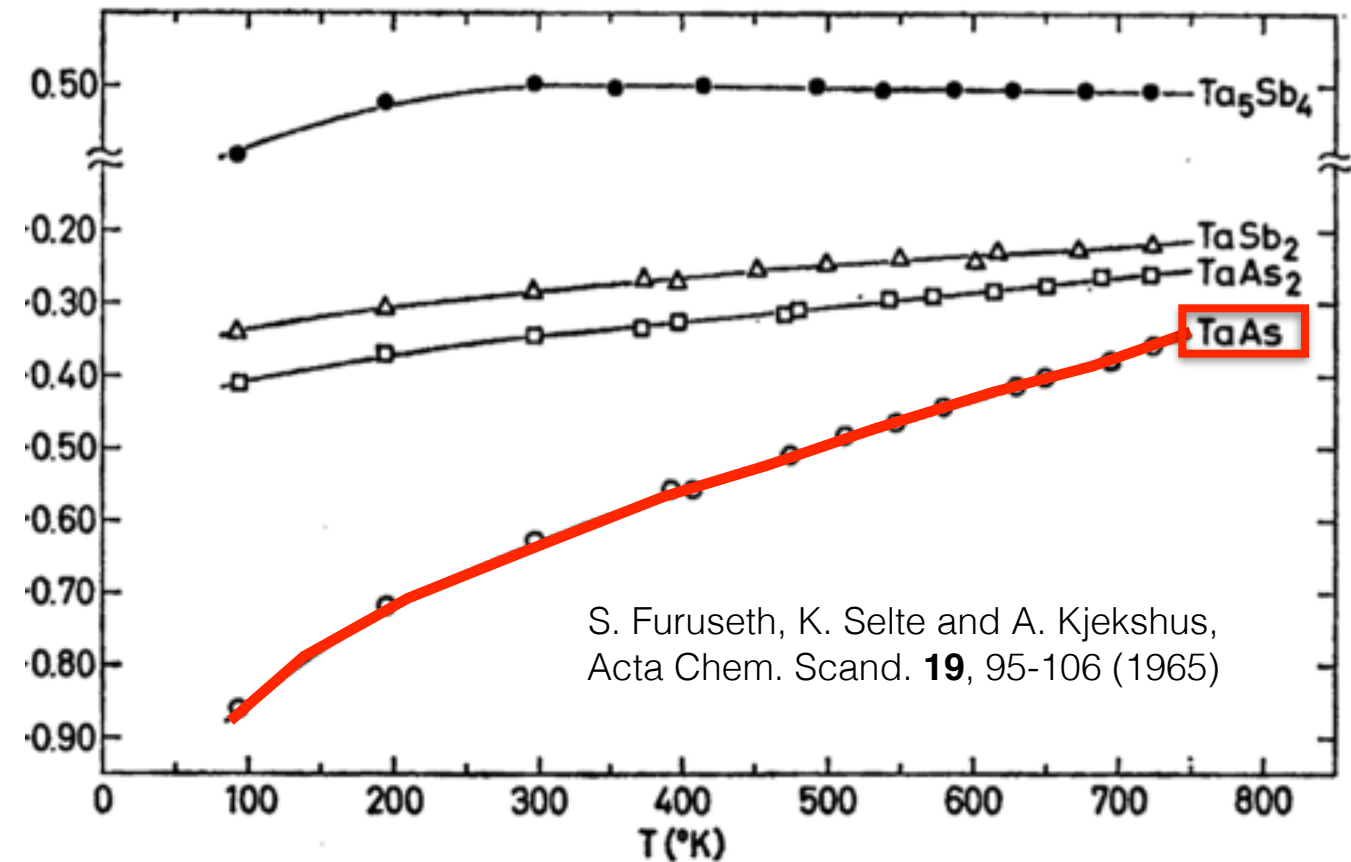


Fig. 5. The magnetic susceptibilities of NbAs, NbAs<sub>2</sub>, Nb<sub>3</sub>Sb, Nb<sub>5</sub>Sb<sub>4</sub>, and NbSb<sub>2</sub> as a function of temperature.

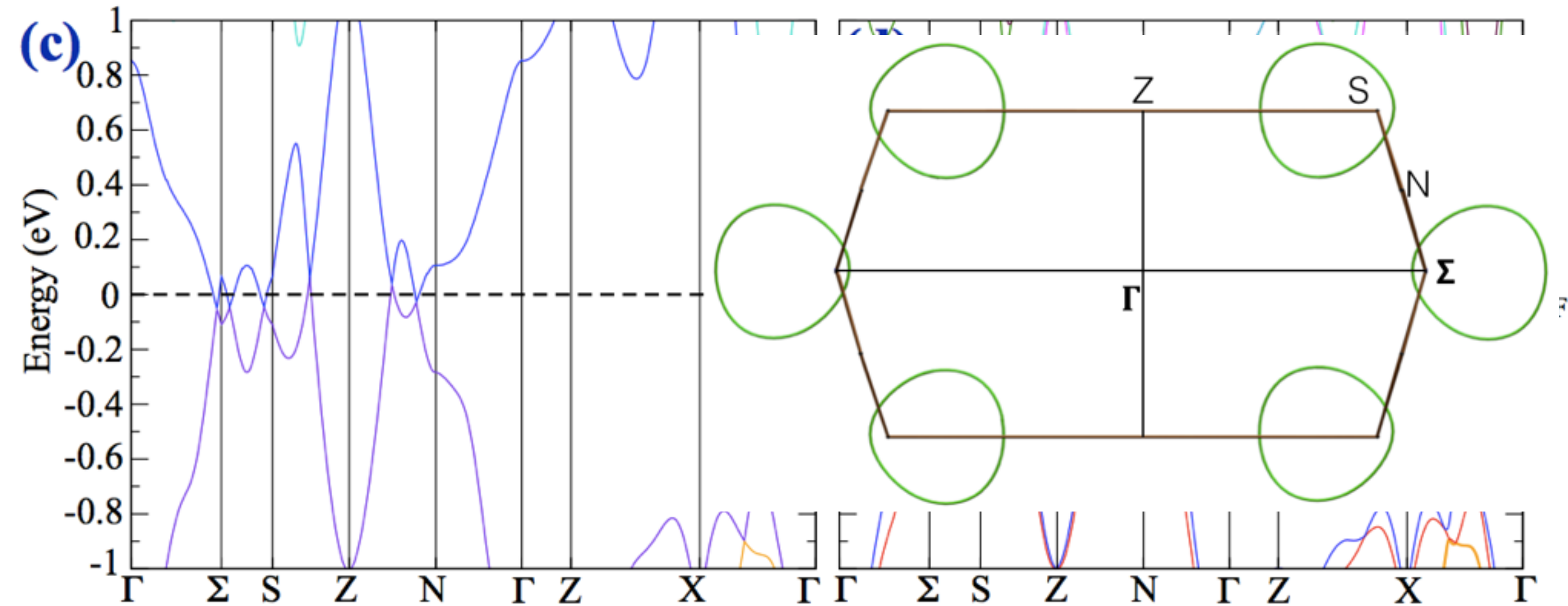
TABLE V. Magnetic susceptibilities of NbP and TaP.

Compound	$T$ (°K)	$\chi_g$ ( $10^{-6}$ cgs/g)
NbP	78	$-0.45 \pm 0.03$
	201	$-0.57 \pm 0.03$
	297	$-0.52 \pm 0.02$
	373	$-0.55 \pm 0.03$
TaP	78	$-0.70 \pm 0.03$
	201	$-0.65 \pm 0.03$
	297	$-0.62 \pm 0.02$
	373	$-0.59 \pm 0.02$

B. A. Scott, G. R. Eulenberger, and R. A. Bernheim, J. Chem. Phys. **48**, 263 (1968)



# Band structure of TaAs



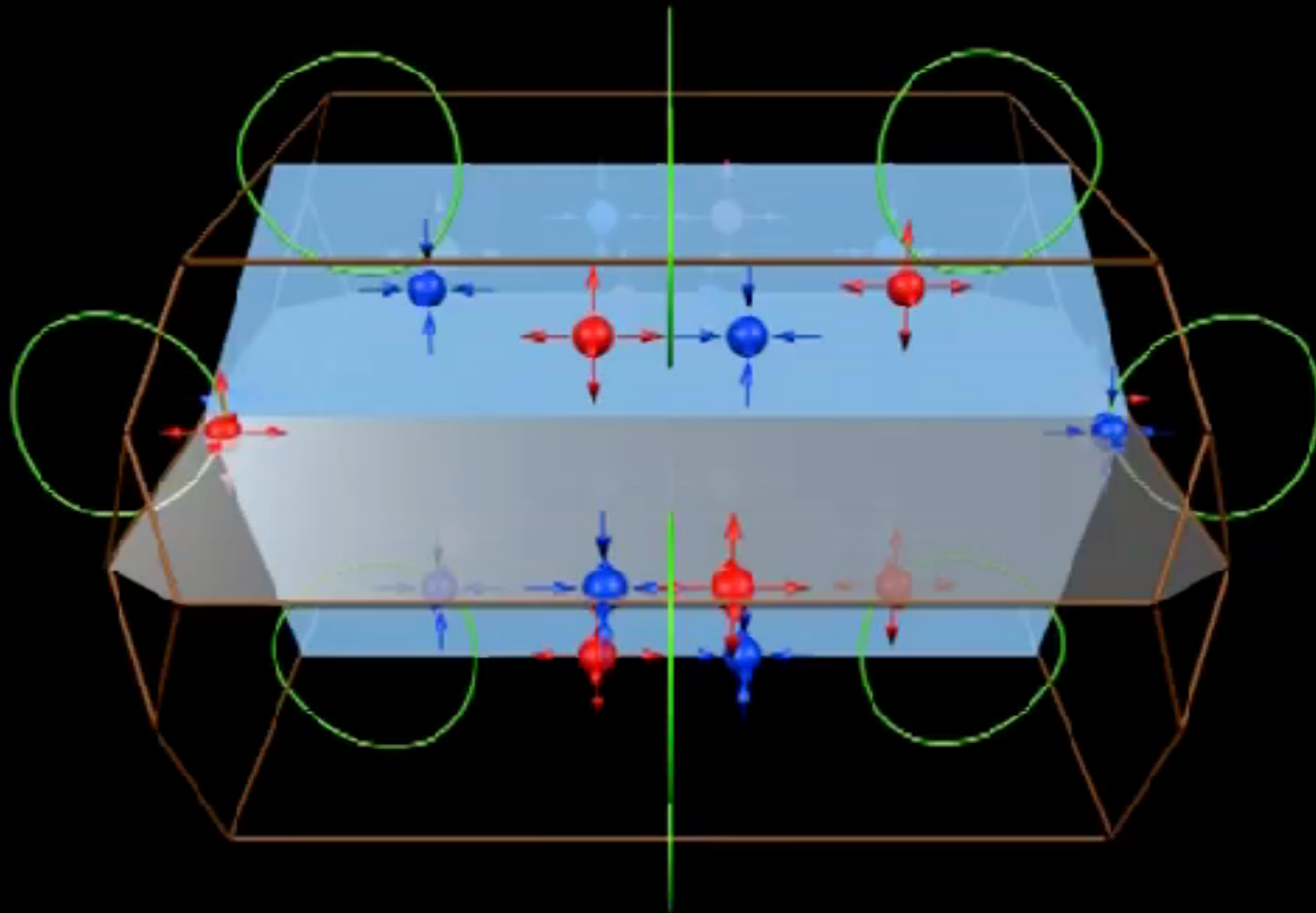
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Topological Node-Line  
Semimetal

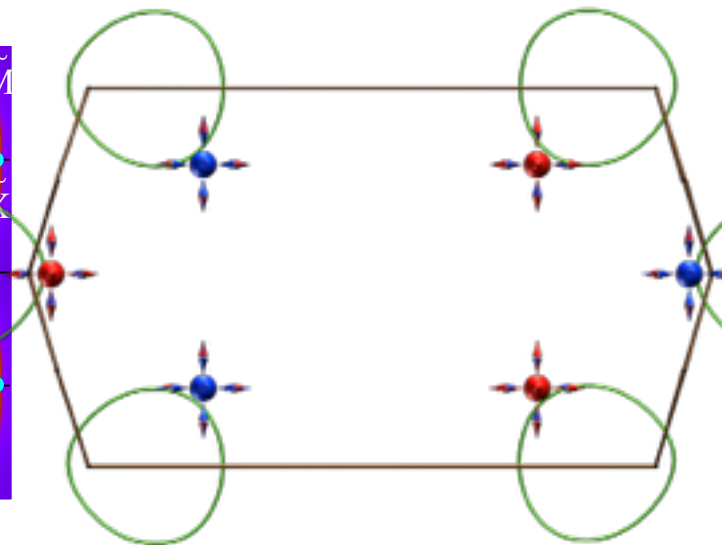
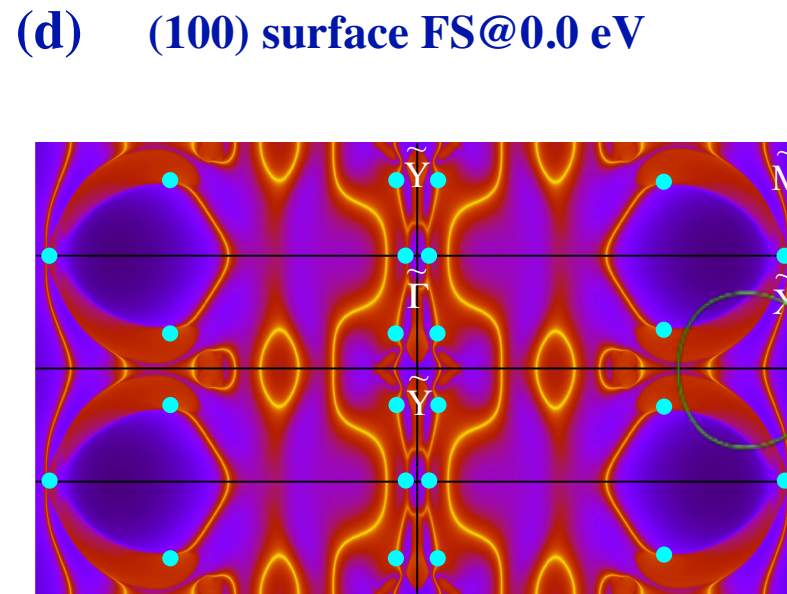
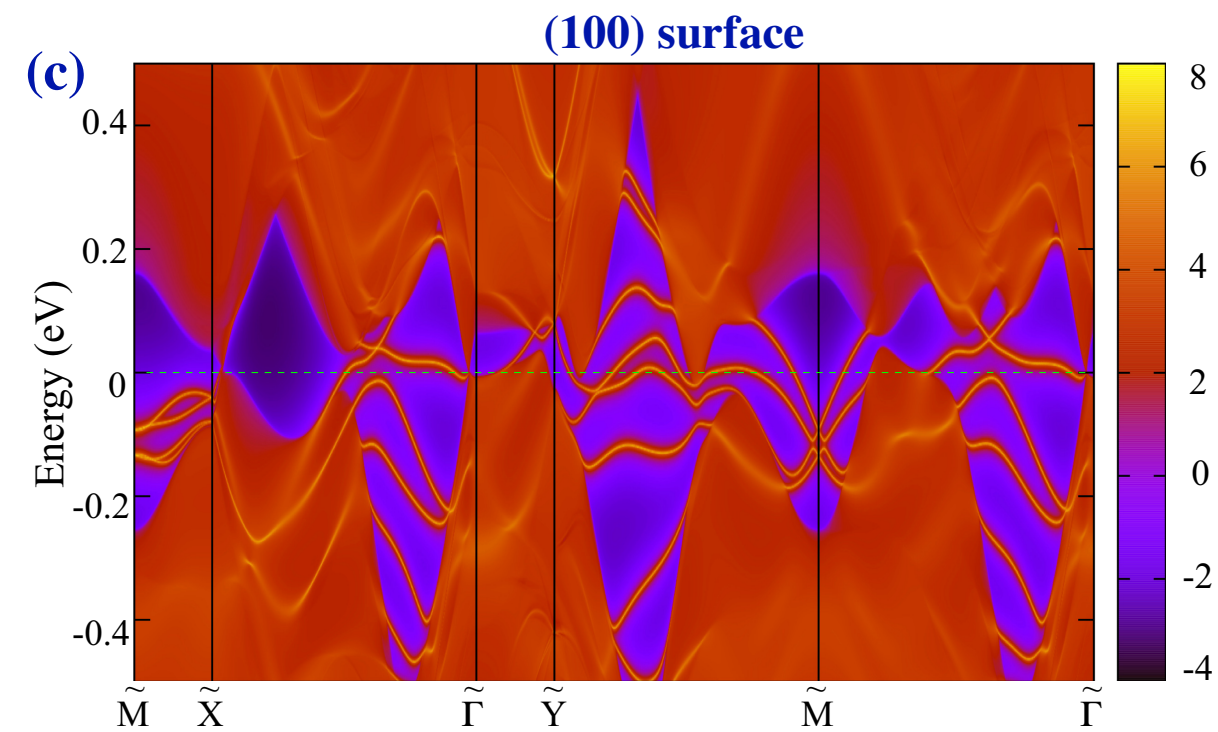
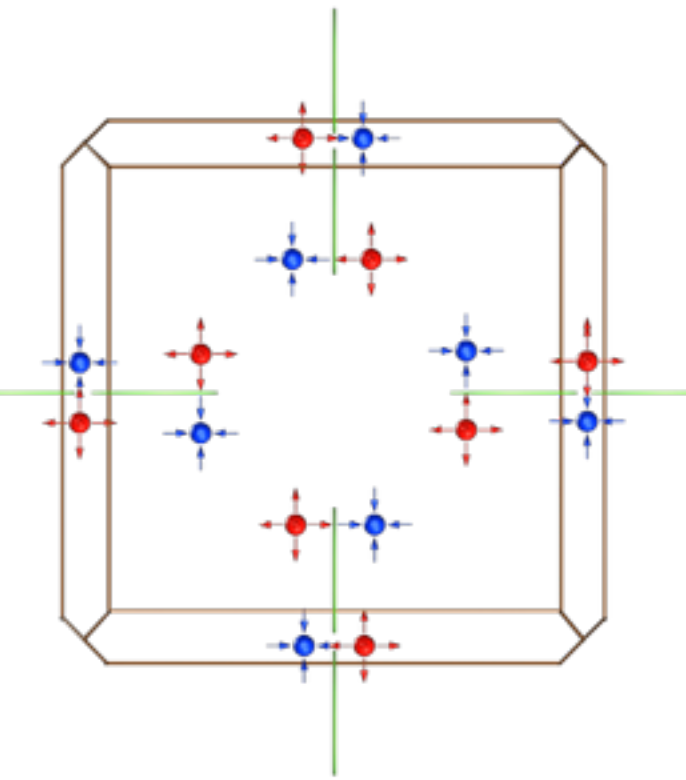
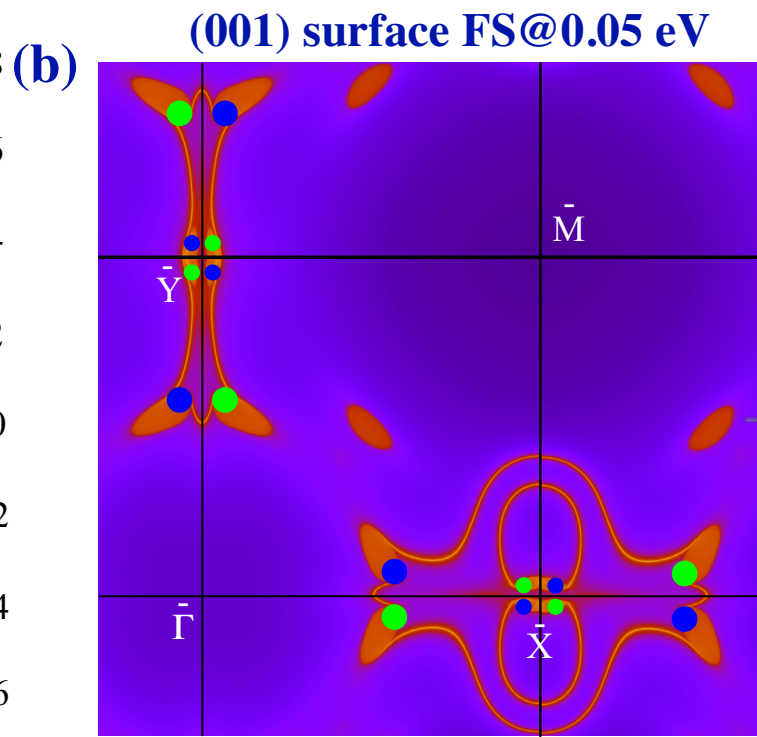
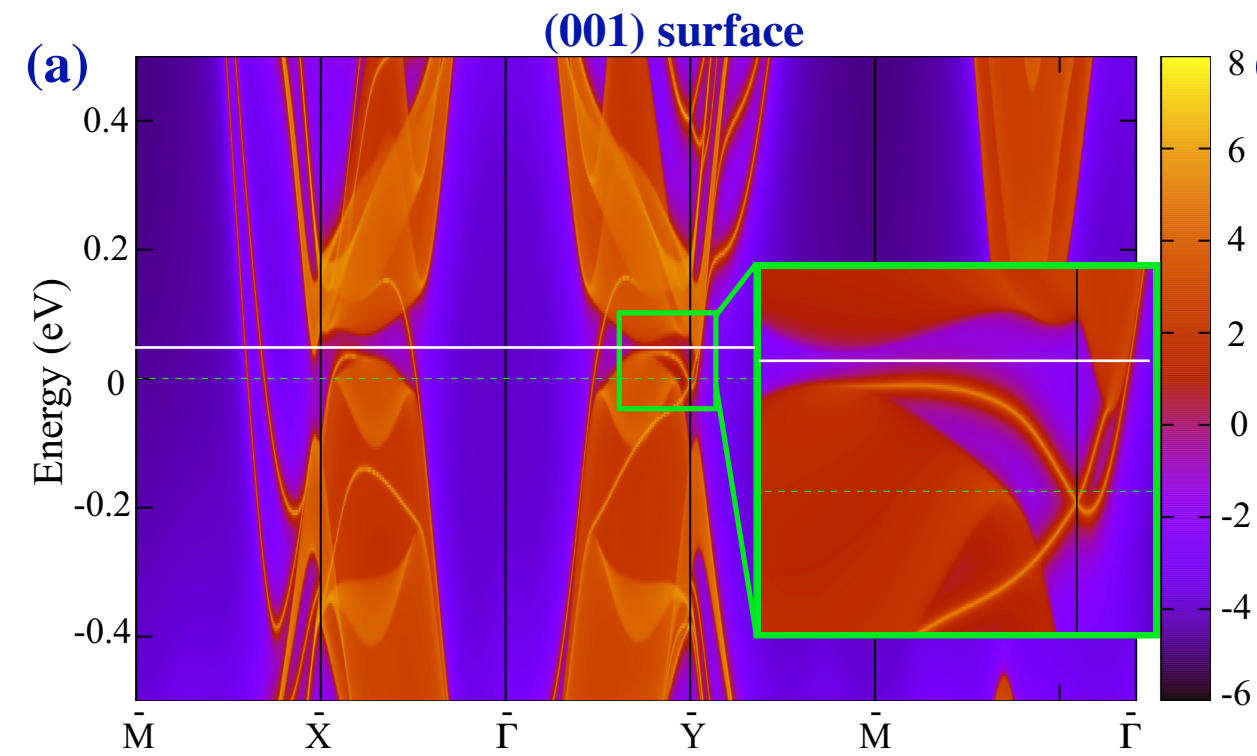
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# 3D View



# Surface Fermi arcs



# Experimental verification

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- 1 [2015arXiv:1502.00251](https://arxiv.org/abs/2015arXiv:1502.00251) Tantalum Monoarsenide: an Exotic Compensated Semimetal
- 2 [2015arXiv:1502.03807](https://arxiv.org/abs/2015arXiv:1502.03807) Experimental realization of a topological Weyl semimetal phase with Fermi arc surface states in TaAs  
*@Science on Jul. 16, 2015 from Princeton & Peking University*
- 3 [2015arXiv:1502.04361](https://arxiv.org/abs/2015arXiv:1502.04361) Extremely large magnetoresistance and ultrahigh mobility in the topological Weyl semimetal NbP
- 4 [2015arXiv:1502.04684](https://arxiv.org/abs/2015arXiv:1502.04684) **Discovery of Weyl semimetal TaAs**  
**@PRX on Jul. 16 from IOP, CAS**
- 5 [2015arXiv:1503.01304](https://arxiv.org/abs/2015arXiv:1503.01304) **Observation of the chiral anomaly induced negative magneto-resistance in 3D Weyl semi-metal TaAs**  
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- 6 [2015arXiv:1503.02630](https://arxiv.org/abs/2015arXiv:1503.02630) Observation of the Adler-Bell-Jackiw chiral anomaly in a Weyl semimetal
- 7 [2015arXiv:1503.07571](https://arxiv.org/abs/2015arXiv:1503.07571) Magnetotransport of single crystalline NbAs
- 8 [2015arXiv:1503.09188](https://arxiv.org/abs/2015arXiv:1503.09188) **Observation of Weyl nodes in TaAs**  
**@Nat. Phys. on Aug. 17 from IOP, CAS**
- 9 [2015arXiv:1504.01350](https://arxiv.org/abs/2015arXiv:1504.01350) Discovery of Weyl semimetal NbAs  
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# Four hallmarks of Weyl semimetal observed in TaAs

## 1. “Chiral anomaly”— negative magnetoresistance

[arXiv:1503.01304](https://arxiv.org/abs/1503.01304)

**Observation of the chiral anomaly induced negative magneto-resistance in 3D Weyl semi-metal TaAs**

IOP, CAS group

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Observation of the Adler-Bell-Jackiw chiral anomaly in a Weyl semimetal

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## 2. Fermi arcs

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Experimental realization of a topological Weyl semimetal phase with Fermi arc surface states in TaAs

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[arXiv:1502.04684](https://arxiv.org/abs/1502.04684)

**Discovery of Weyl semimetal TaAs**

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## 3. Bulk Weyl nodes

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[arXiv:1503.09188](https://arxiv.org/abs/1503.09188)

**Observation of Weyl nodes in TaAs**

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## 4. Spin texture of Fermi arc

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**Observation of spin texture of Fermi arc of TaAs**

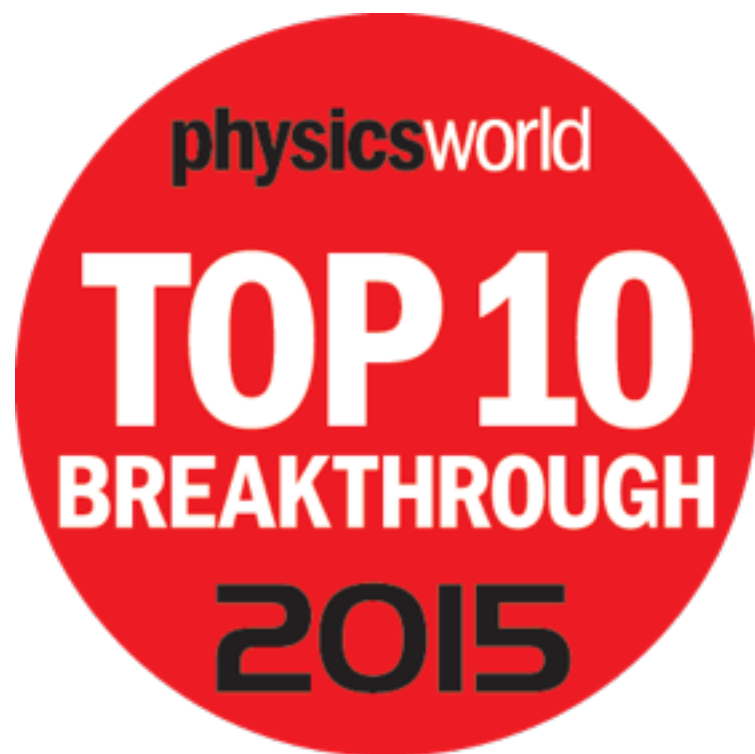
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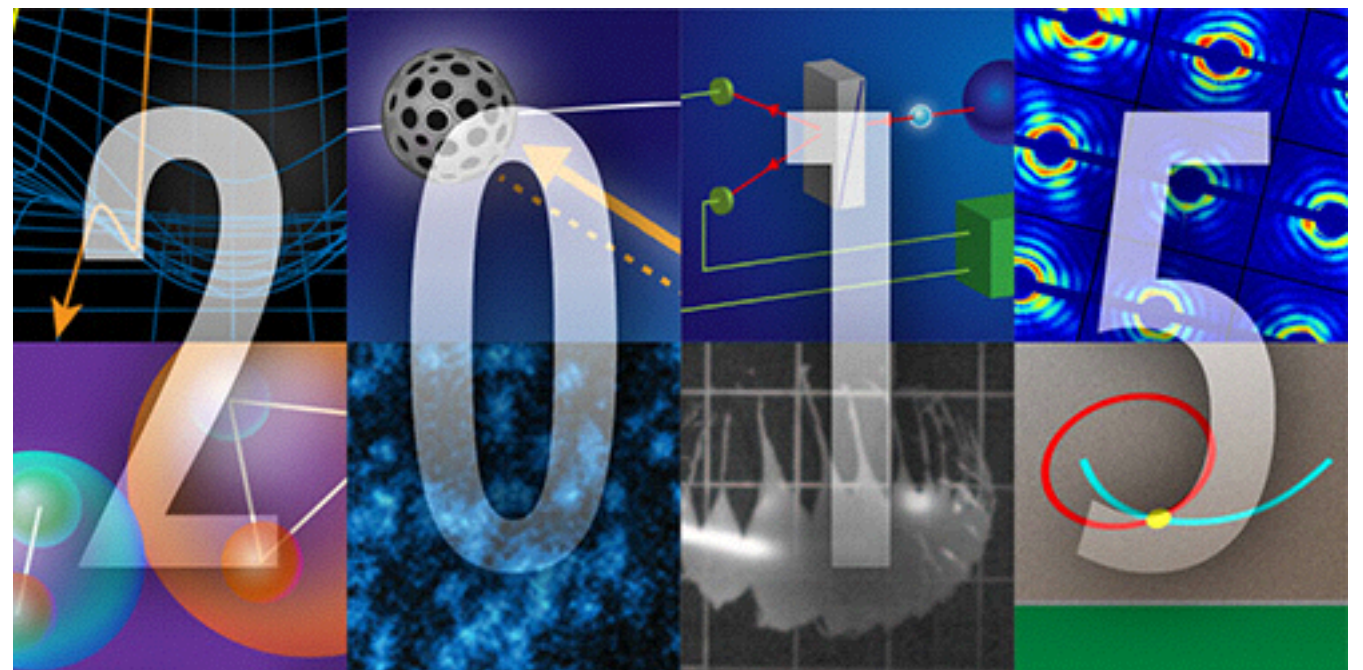
# Breakthrough & Highlight of 2015

## Weyl fermions are spotted at long last

To Zahid Hasan of Princeton University, Marin Soljačić of MIT, and Zhong Fang and Hongming Weng of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, for their pioneering work on Weyl fermions. These massless particles were predicted by the German mathematician Hermann Weyl in 1929. Working independently, a team led by Hasan, and another led by Fang and Weng, spotted telltale evidence



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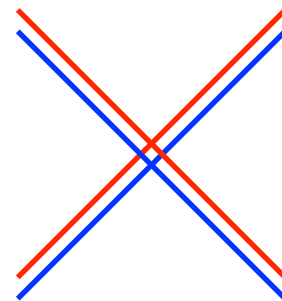


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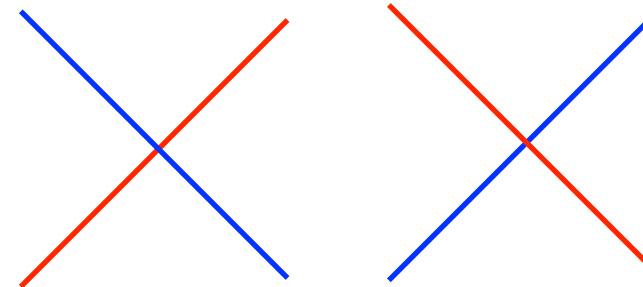
# Triply Degenerate Nodal Point

## A New Massless Fermion

Weng, Fang, et al., PRB **93**, 241202(R) (2016)



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(4x4)



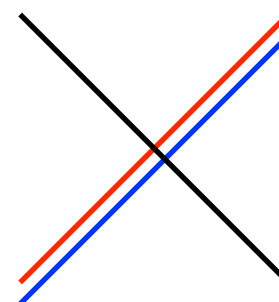
WSM  
(2x2)

		E	C2	2C3	2C6	3IC2'	3IC2''
G1	A1	1	1	1	1	1	1
G2	A2	1	1	1	1	-1	-1
G3	B1	1	-1	1	-1	1	-1
G4	B2	1	-1	1	-1	-1	1
G5	E1	2	-2	-1	1	0	0
G6	E2	2	2	-1	-1	0	0

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G7	E1/2	2	0	1	/3	0	0
G8	E5/2	2	0	1	-/3	0	0
G9	E3/2	2	0	-2	0	0	0

Na<sub>3</sub>Bi  $\Gamma$ -A C<sub>6v</sub>



TDNP  
(3x3)

Point group C<sub>3v</sub>

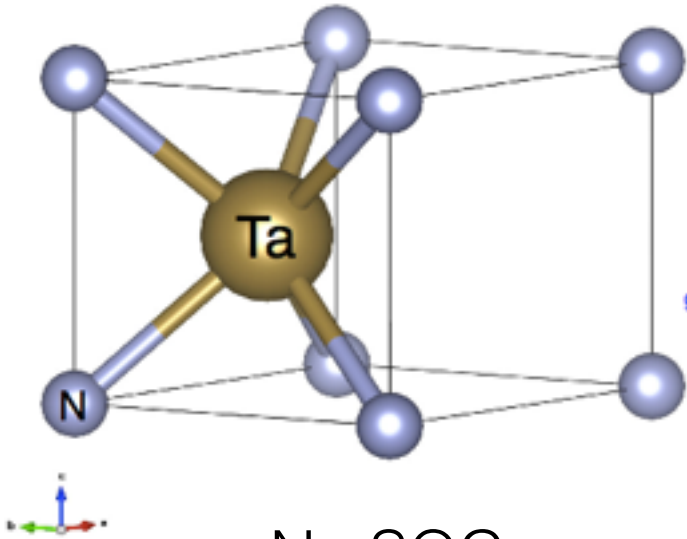
		E	2C3	3IC2
G1	A1	1	1	1
G2	A2	1	1	-1
G3	E	2	-1	0

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G4	E1/2	2	1	0
G5	1E3/2	1	-1	i
G6	2E3/2	1	-1	-i



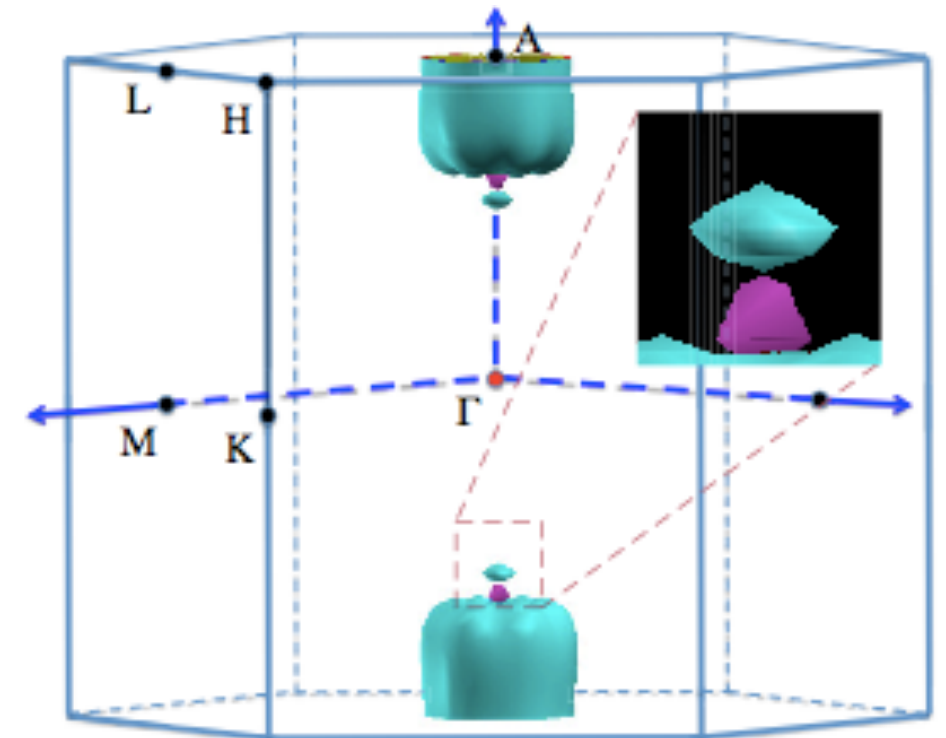
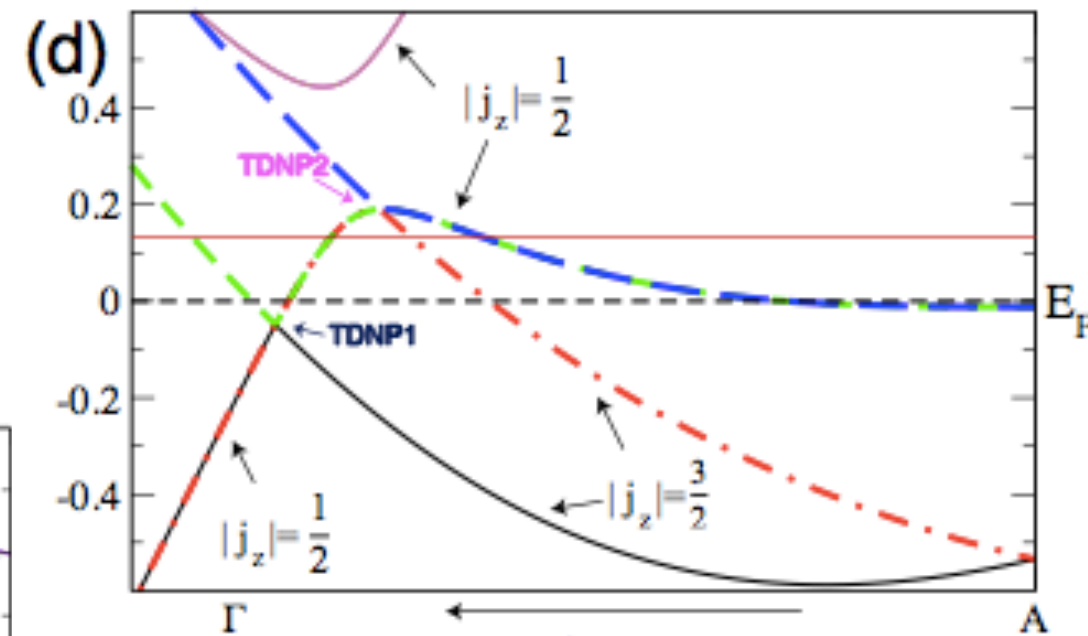
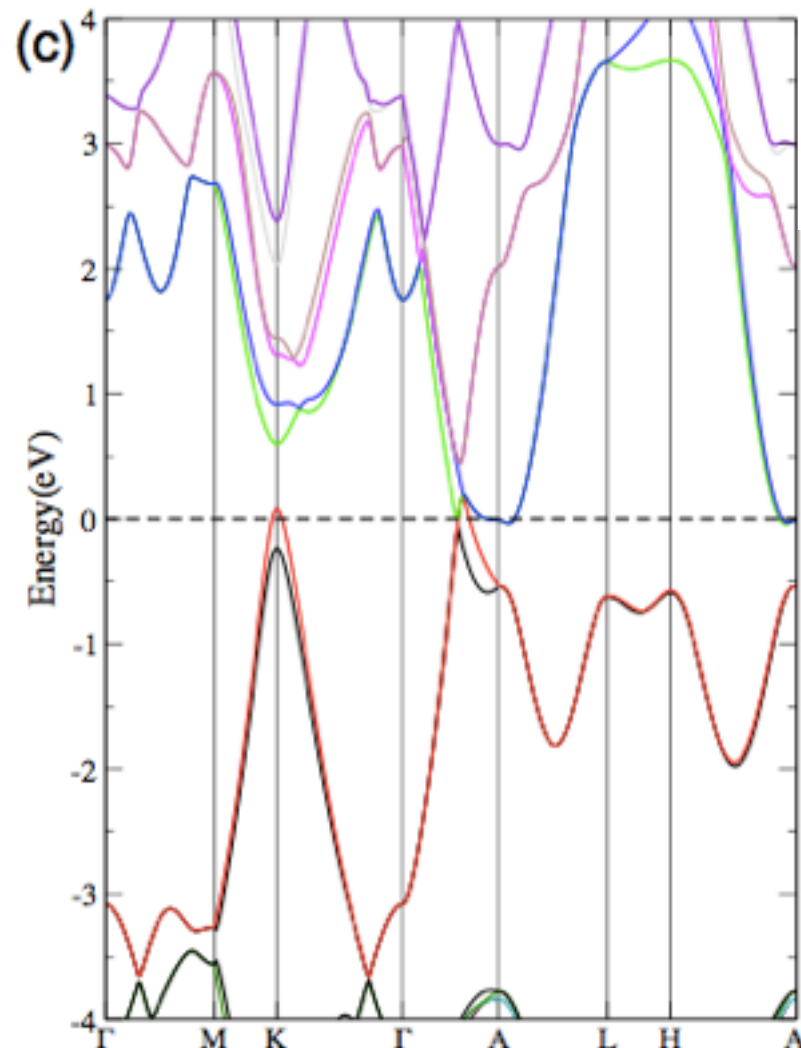
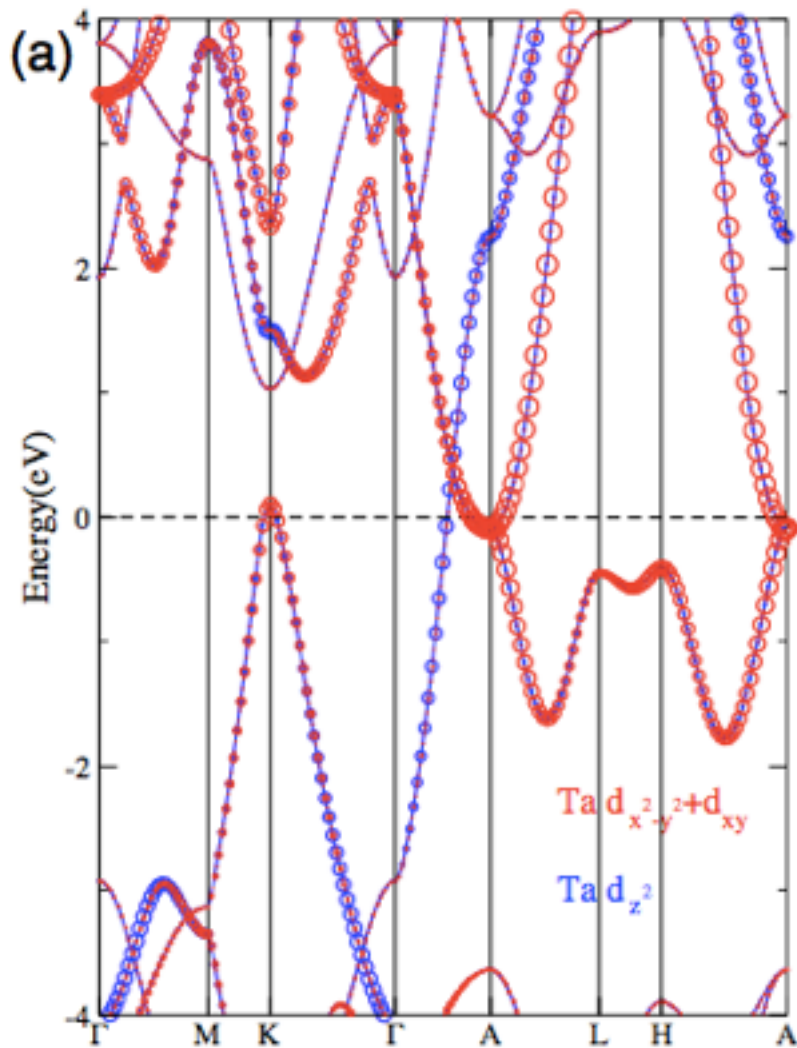
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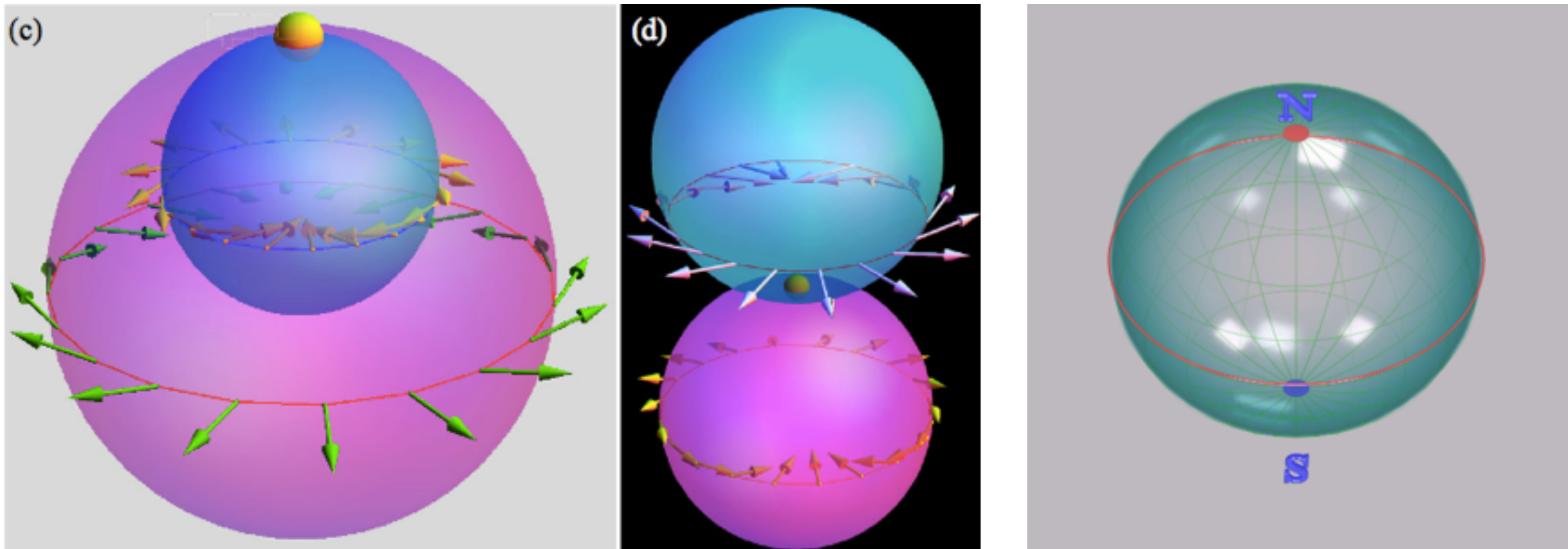
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TaN, NbN, ZrTe *etc.*

No SOC

+SOC



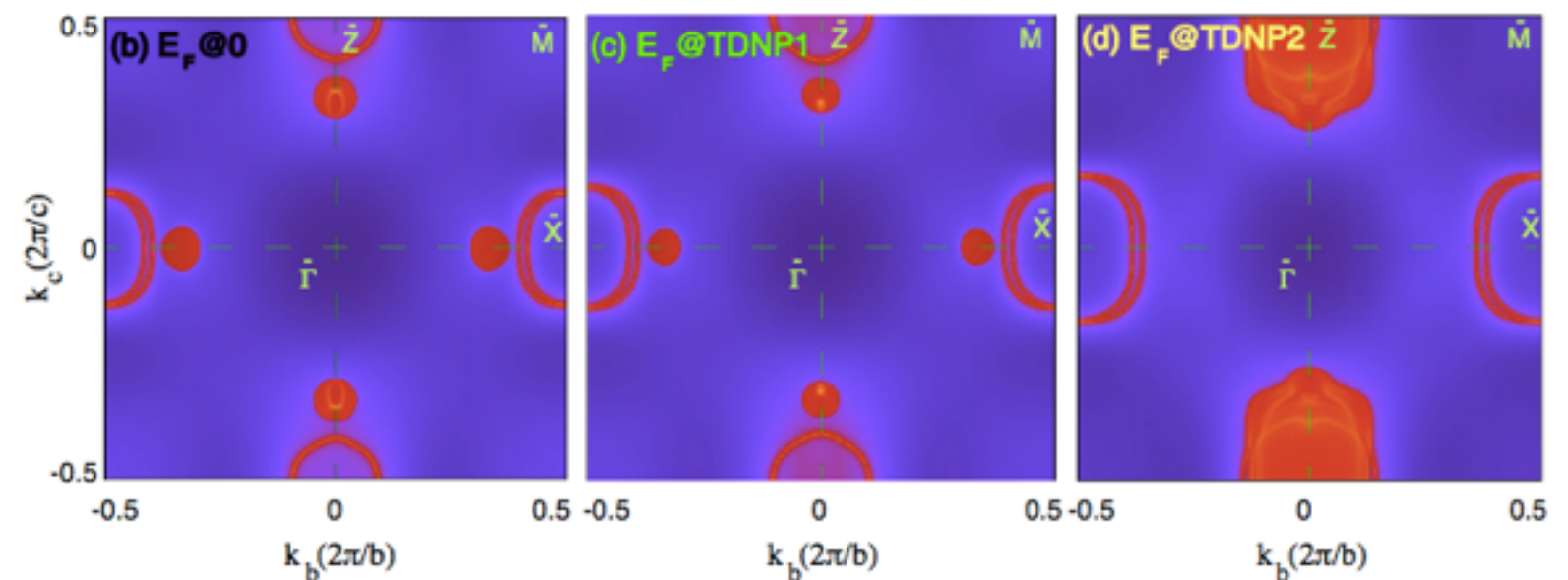
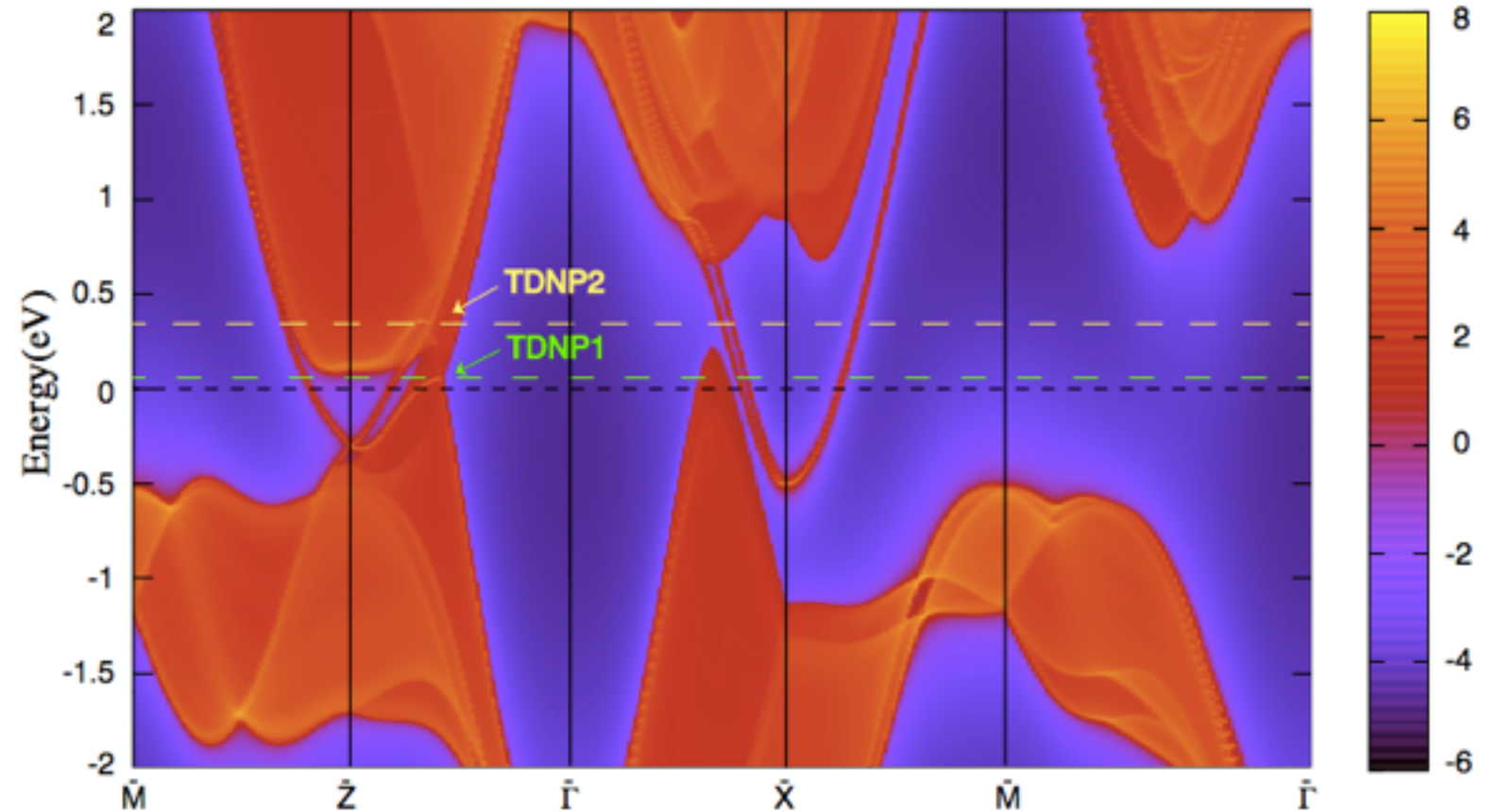
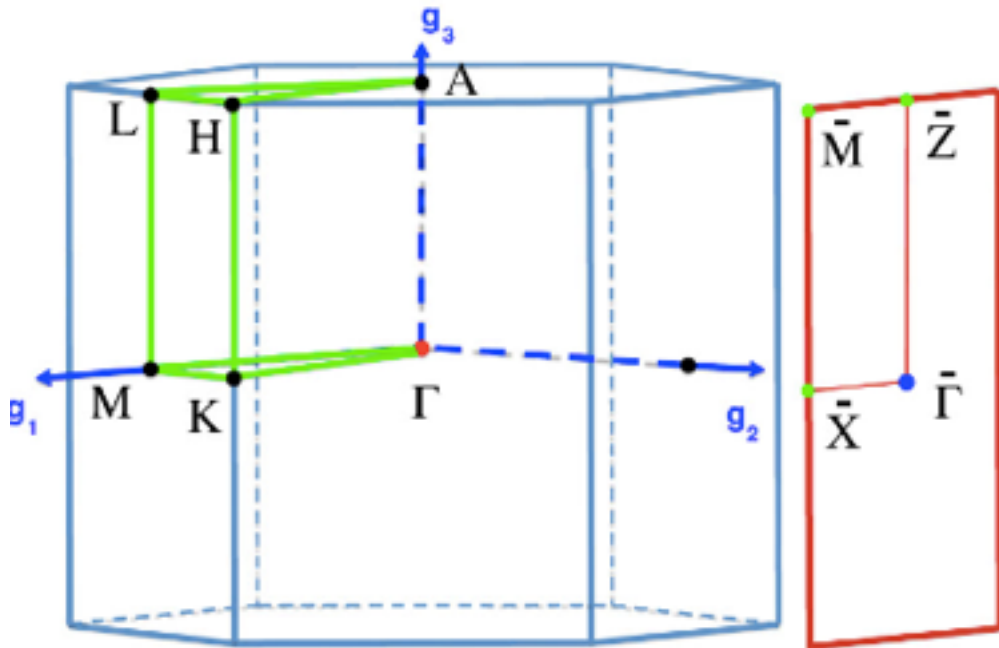
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Winding number 2 for spin on the Fermi surface

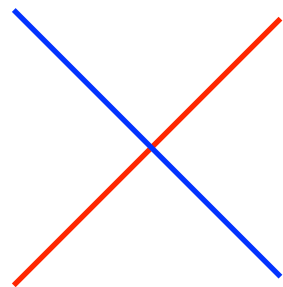
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(100) surface

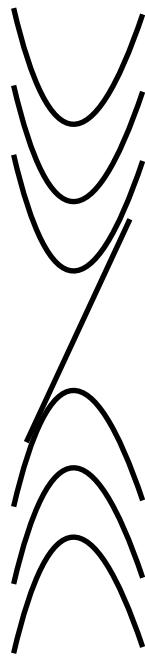
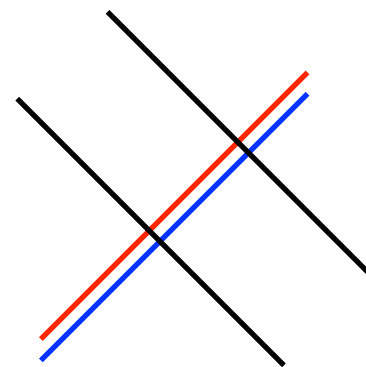


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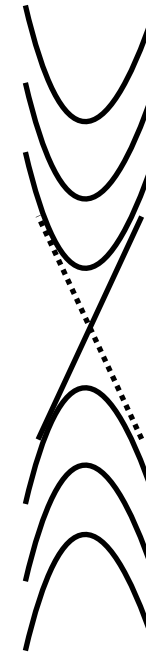
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Chiral anomaly

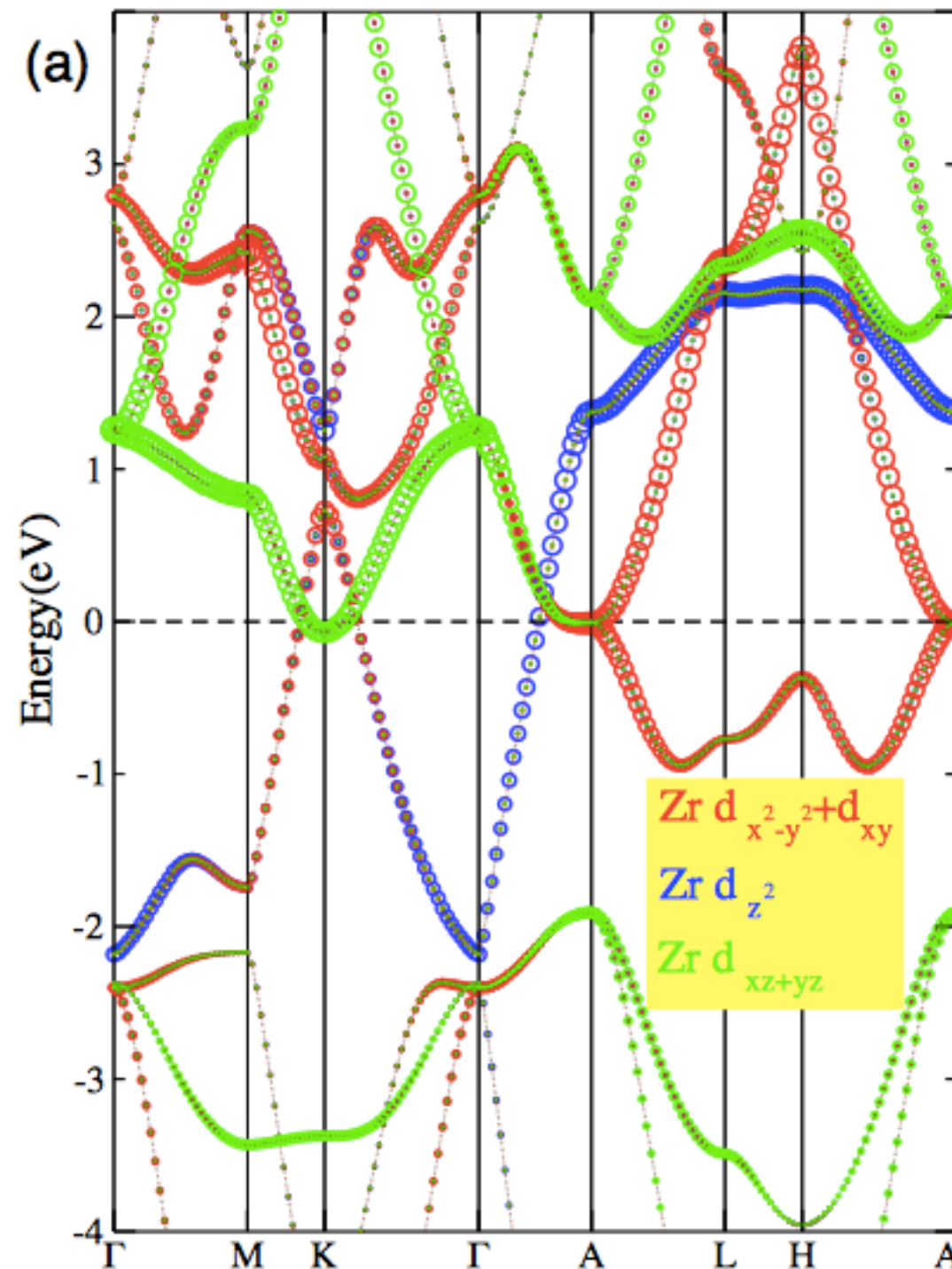
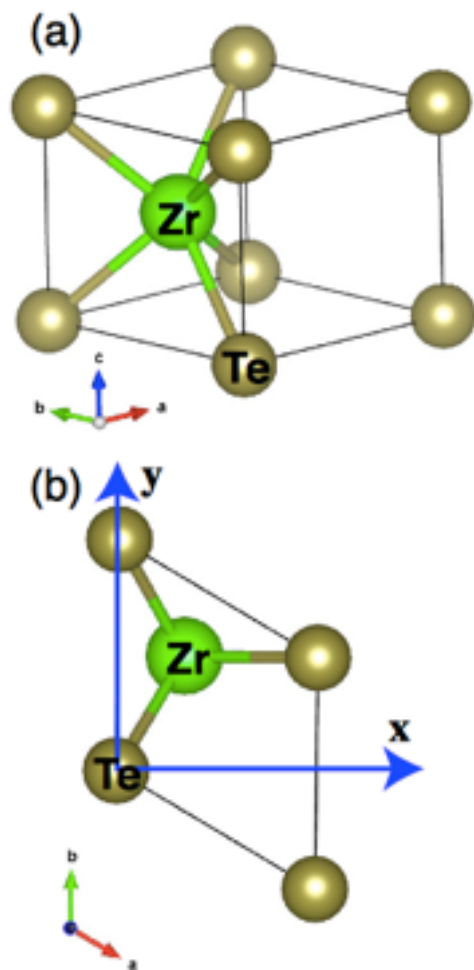


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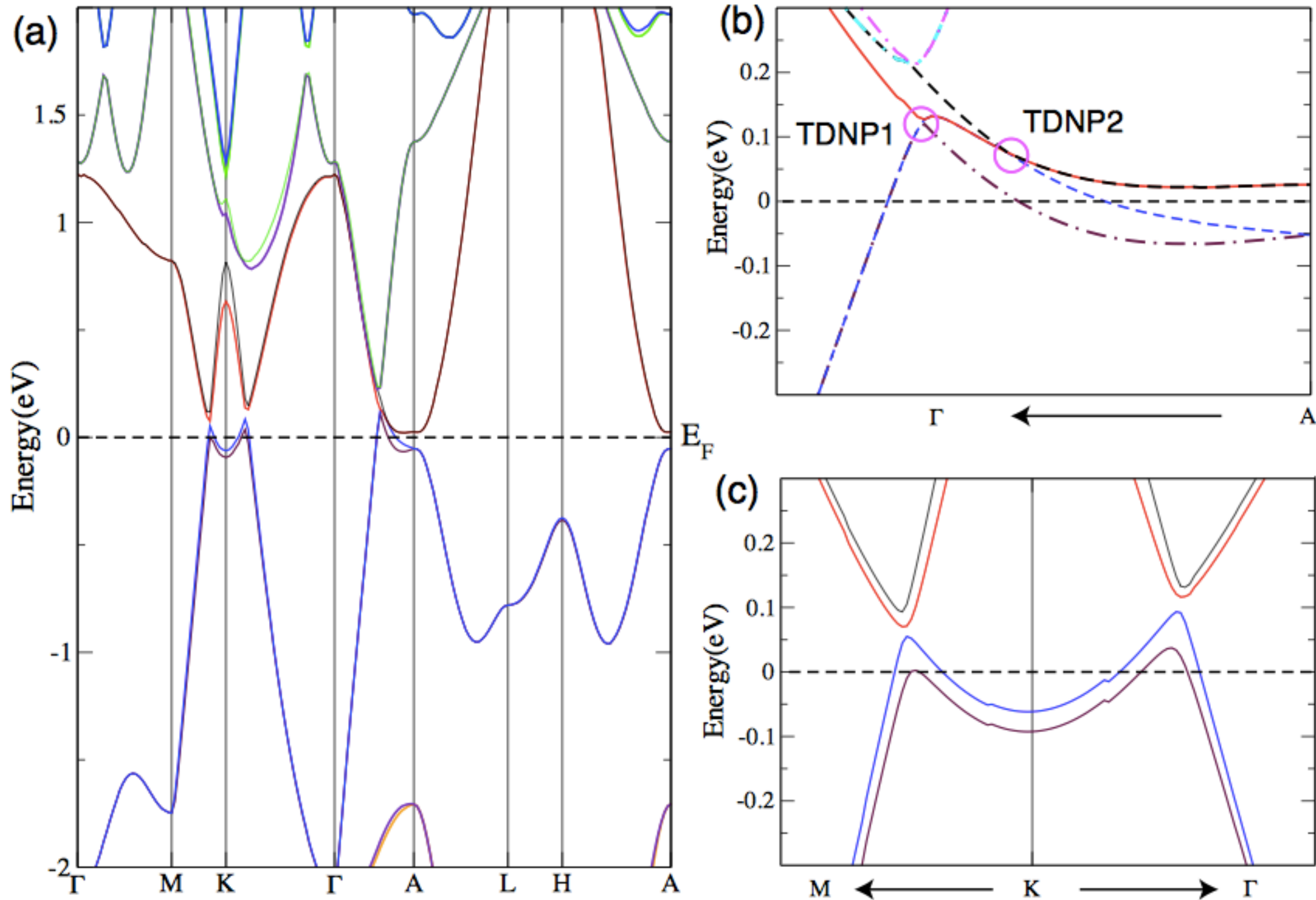
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# Weyl nodal points Co-exist with Triply Degenerate Nodal Points

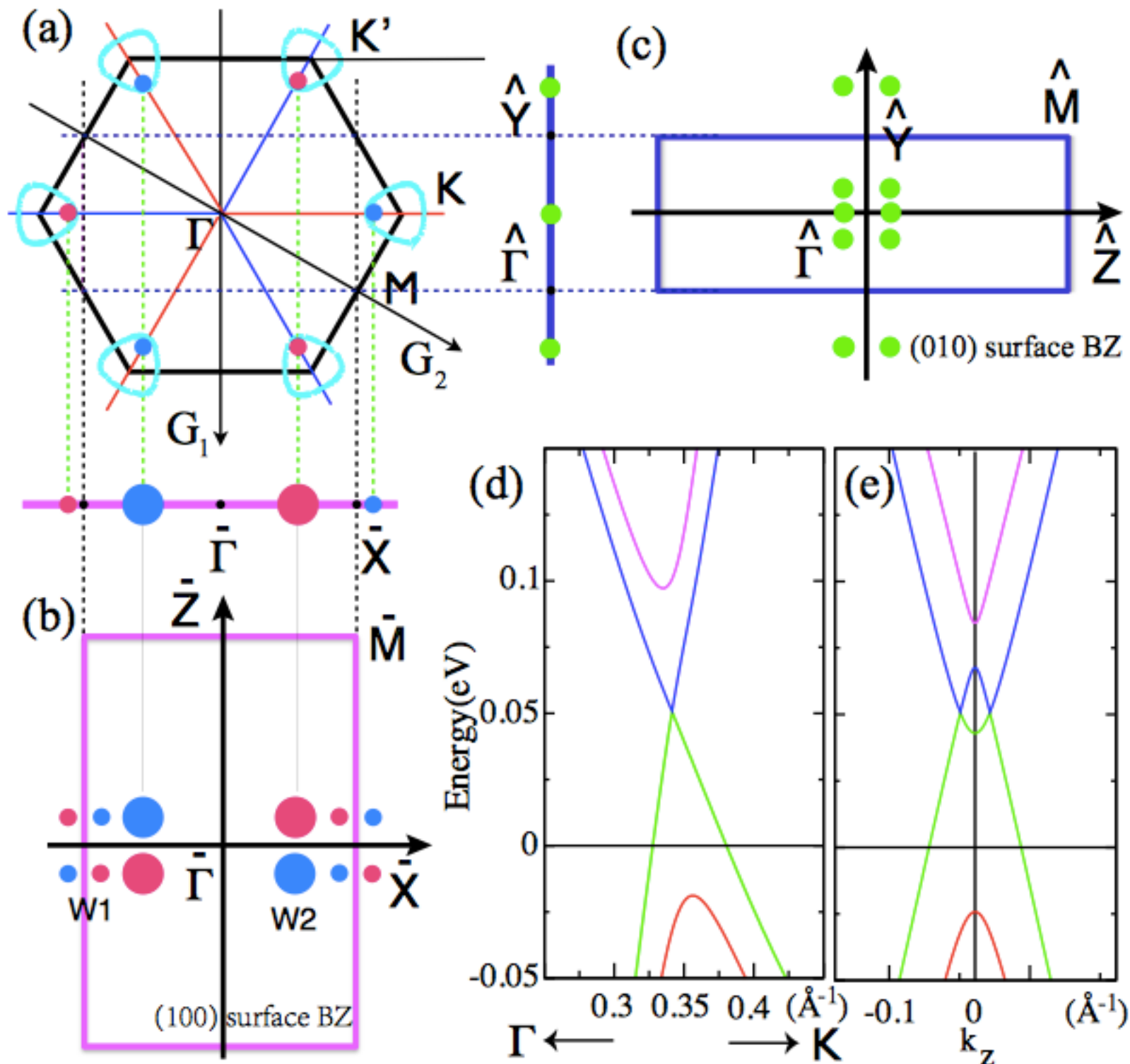


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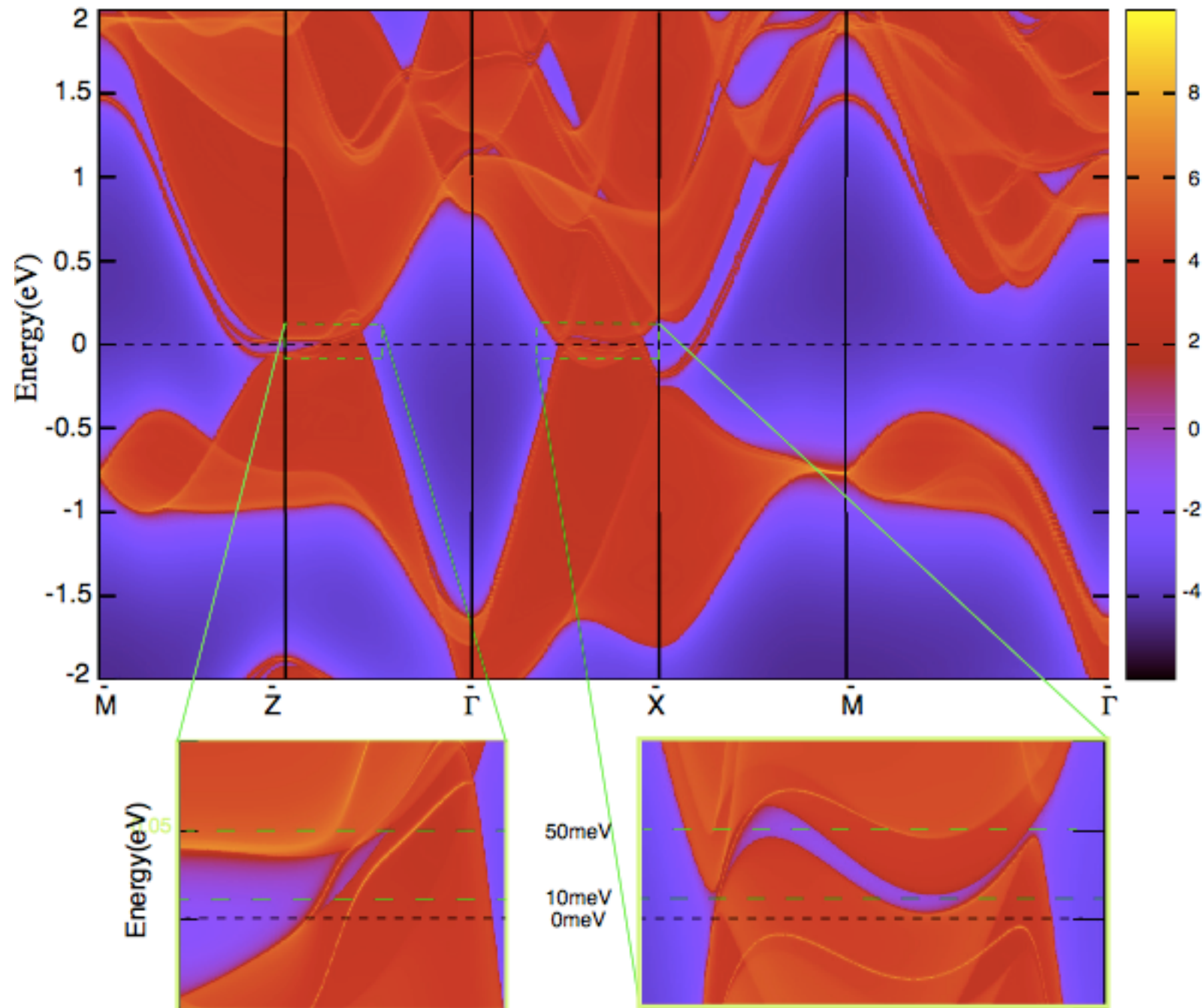


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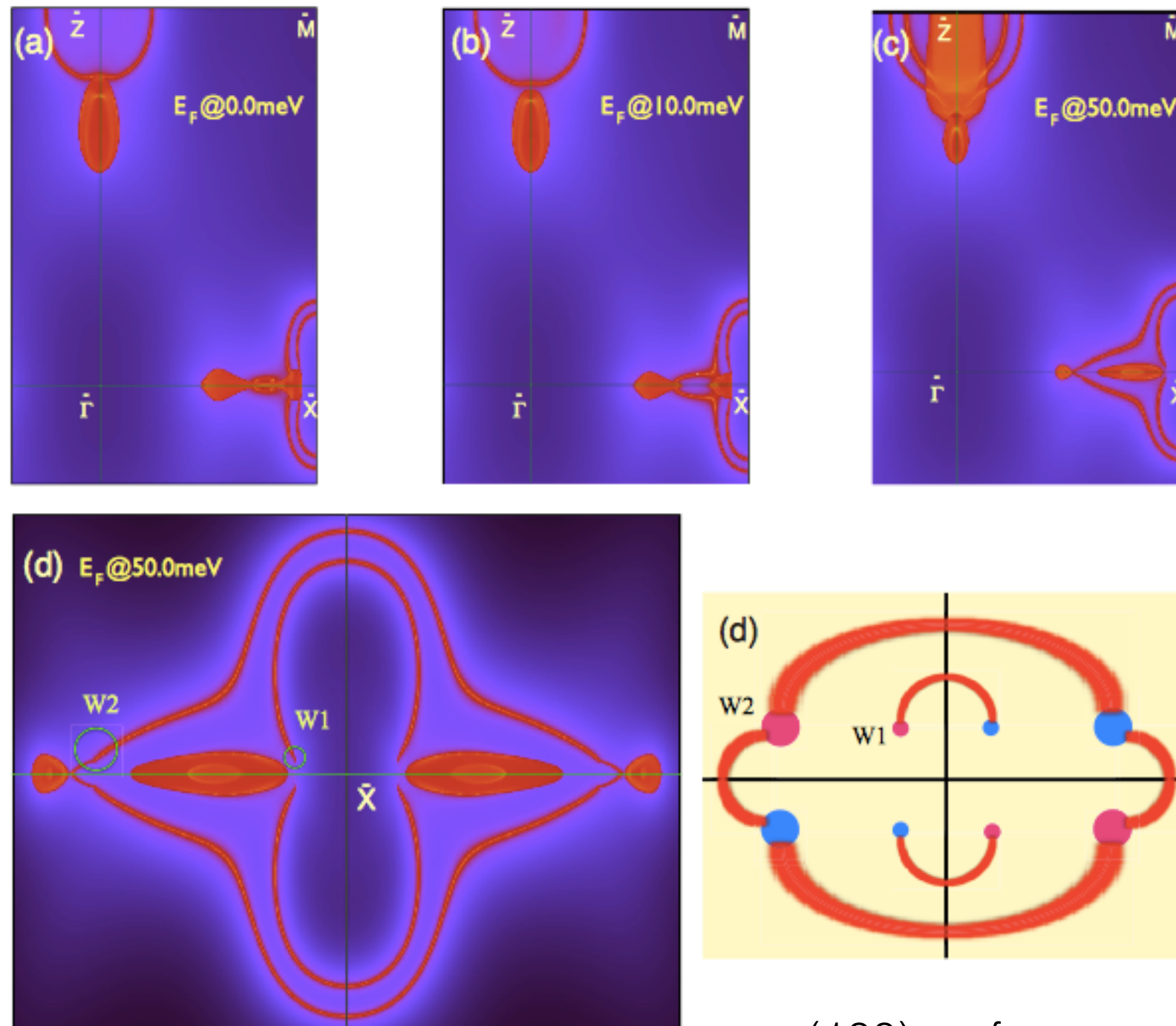
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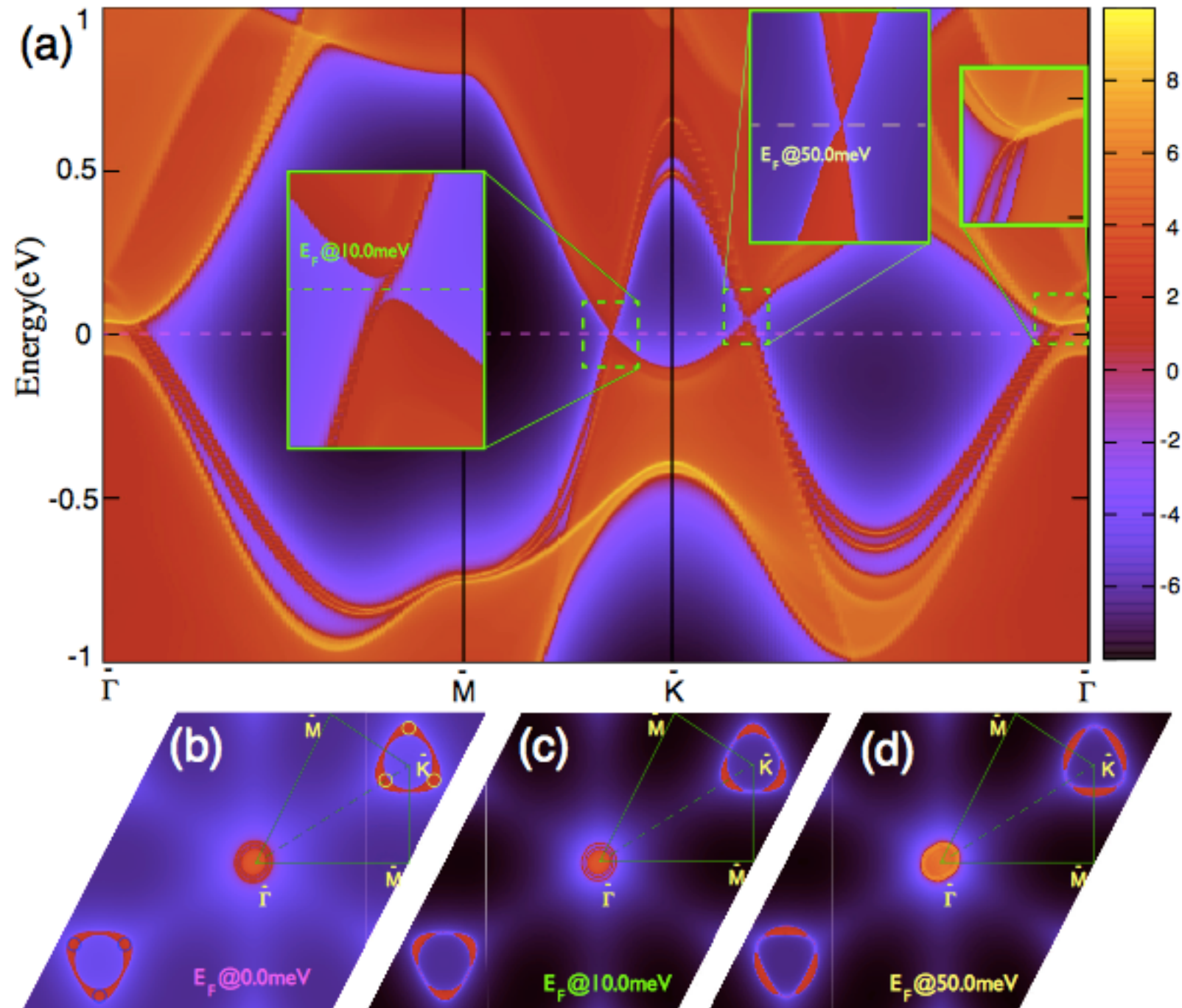


(Color online) ZrTe (100) surface state with its band structure weighted

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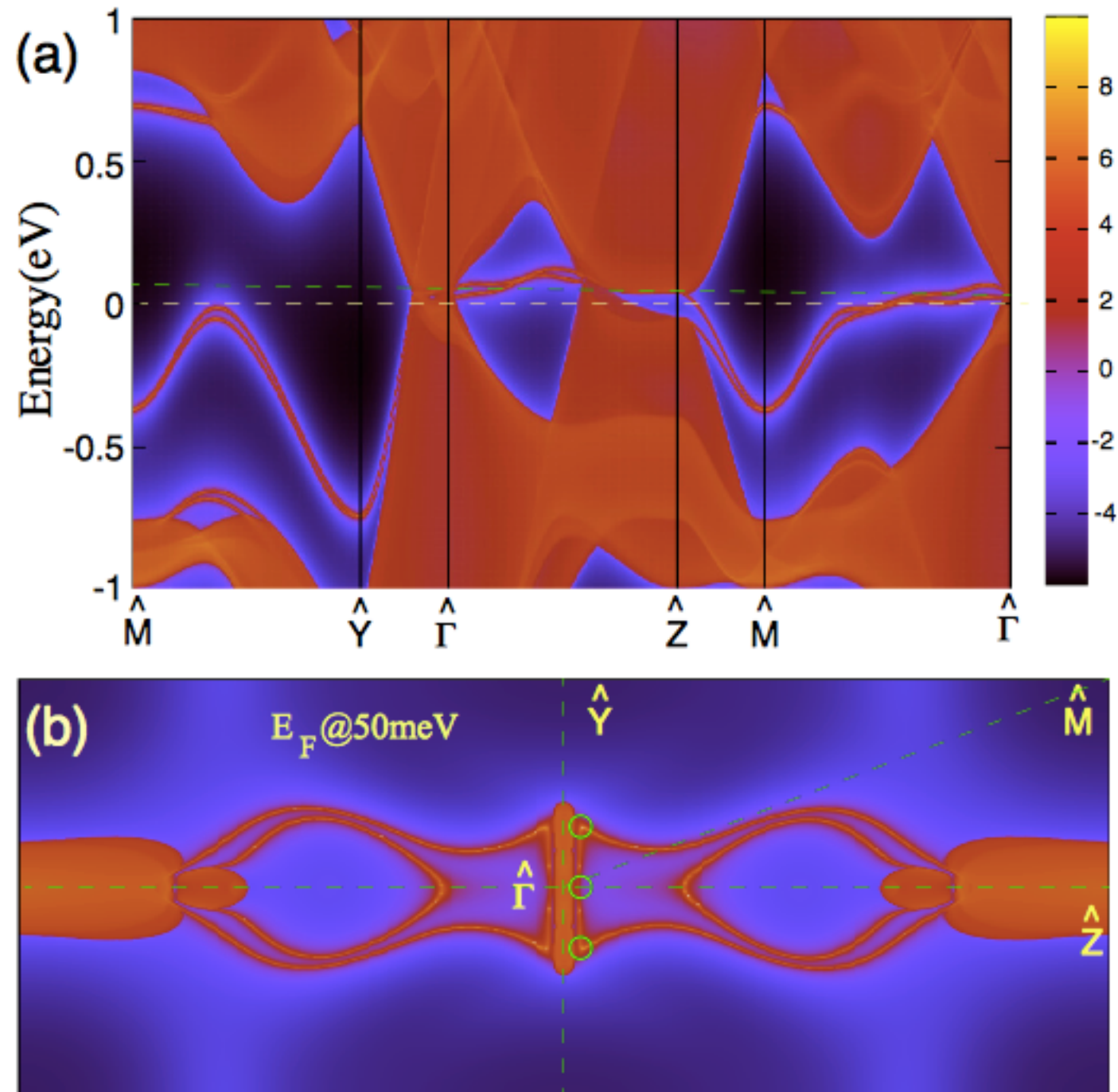


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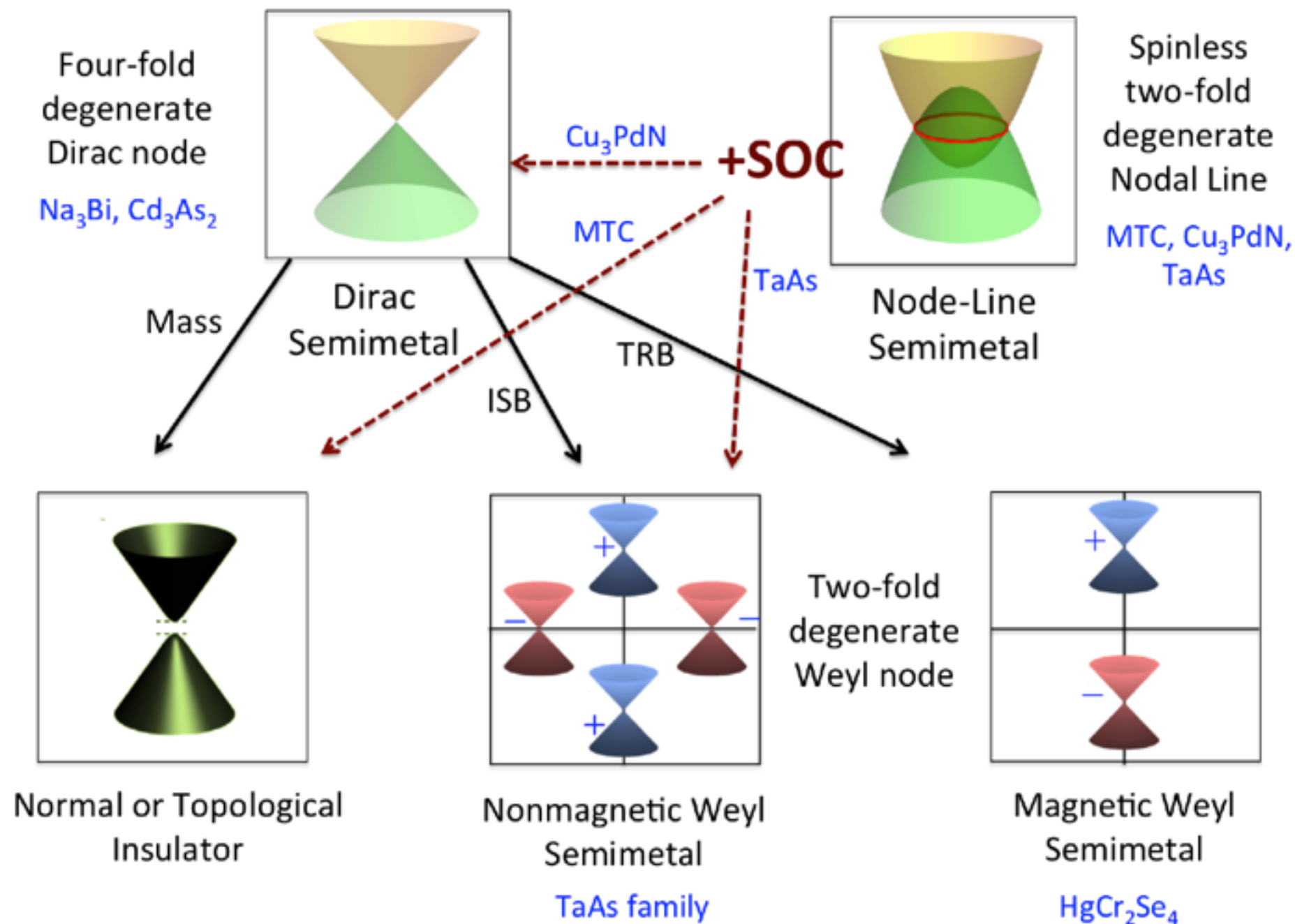




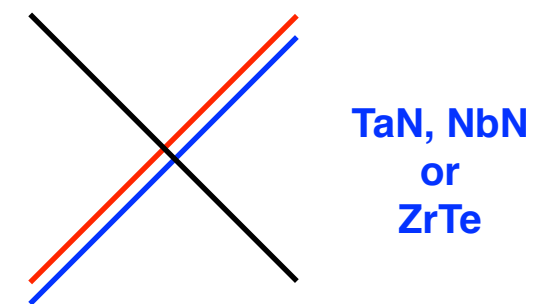
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# Topological Semimetal Family



a New member

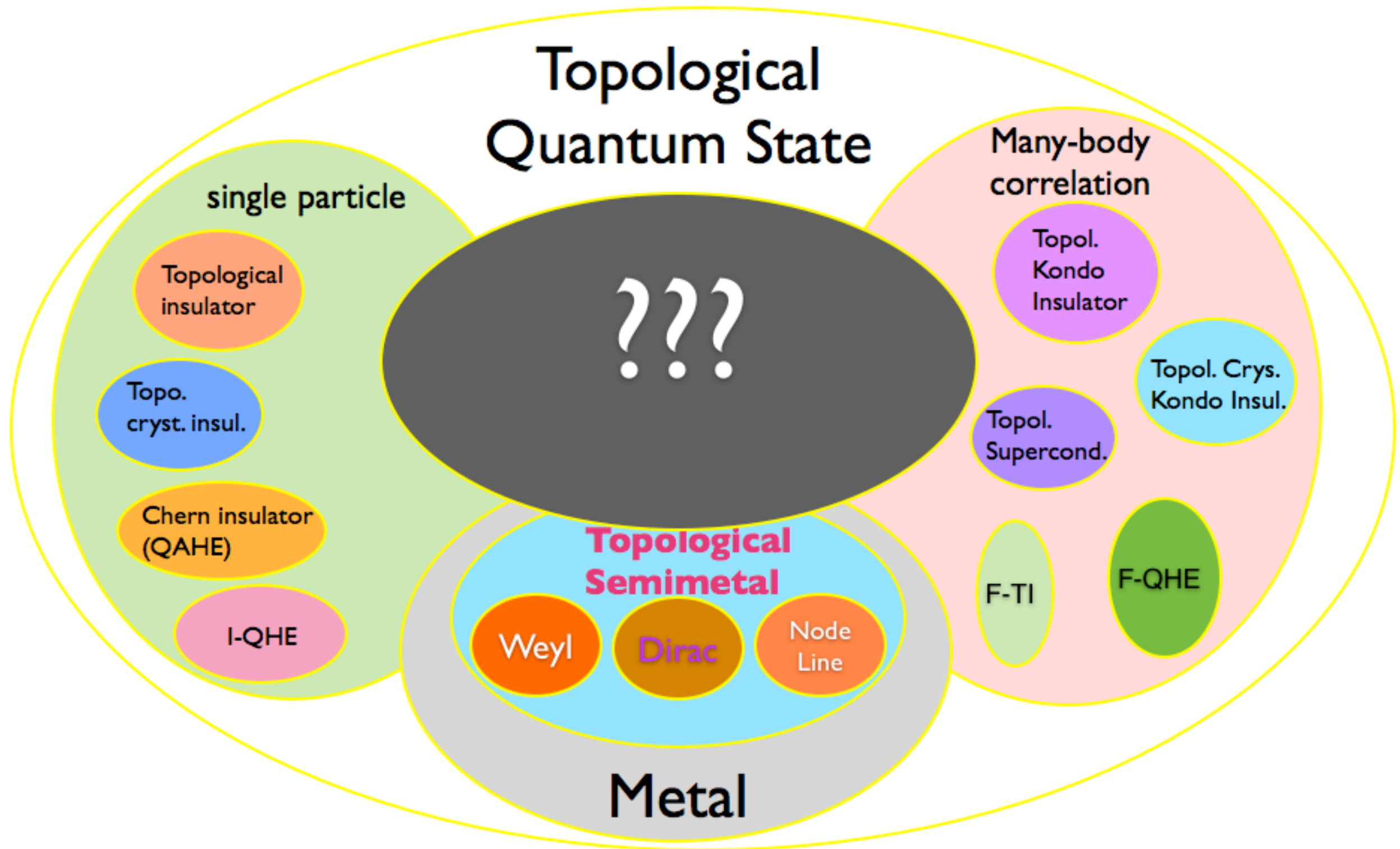


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arXiv:1604.08467,  
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# Topological Quantum State



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