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**Theory of Berry Phases in the Cuprate Pseudogap Phase**

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<sup>1</sup>Berry, M. V. Quantal Phase Factors Accompanying Adiabatic Changes. *Proceedings of the Royal Society of London. A. Mathematical and Physical Sciences* **392**, 45-57 (1984).

<sup>2</sup>Doiron-Leyraud, N., et al. Berry Phase in Cuprate Superconductors. *arXiv preprint arXiv:1407.1388* (2014).

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