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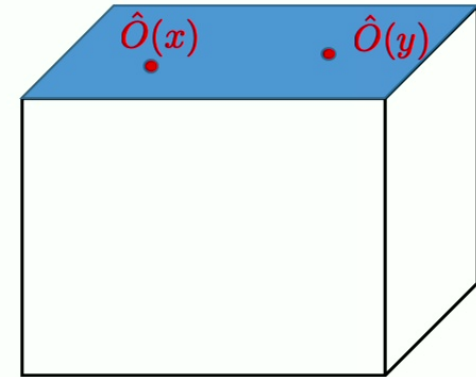
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Abstract: It is known that the classical $O(N)$ model in dimension $d \geq 3$ at its bulk critical point admits three boundary universality classes: the ordinary, the extraordinary and the special. The extraordinary fixed point corresponds to the bulk transition occurring in the presence of an ordered boundary, while the special fixed point corresponds to a boundary phase transition between the ordinary and the extra-ordinary classes. While the ordinary fixed point survives in $d = 3$, it is less clear what happens to the extraordinary and special fixed points when $d = 3$ and N is greater or equal to 2. I'll show that formally treating N as a continuous parameter, there exists a critical value $N_c \geq 2$ separating two distinct regimes. For $N \leq N_c$ the extra-ordinary fixed point survives in $d = 3$, albeit in a modified form: the long-range boundary order is lost, instead, the order parameter correlation function decays as a power of $\log r$. For $N \geq N_c$ there is no fixed point with order parameter correlations decaying slower than power law. I'll discuss how these findings compare to recent Monte-Carlo studies of classical and quantum spin models.

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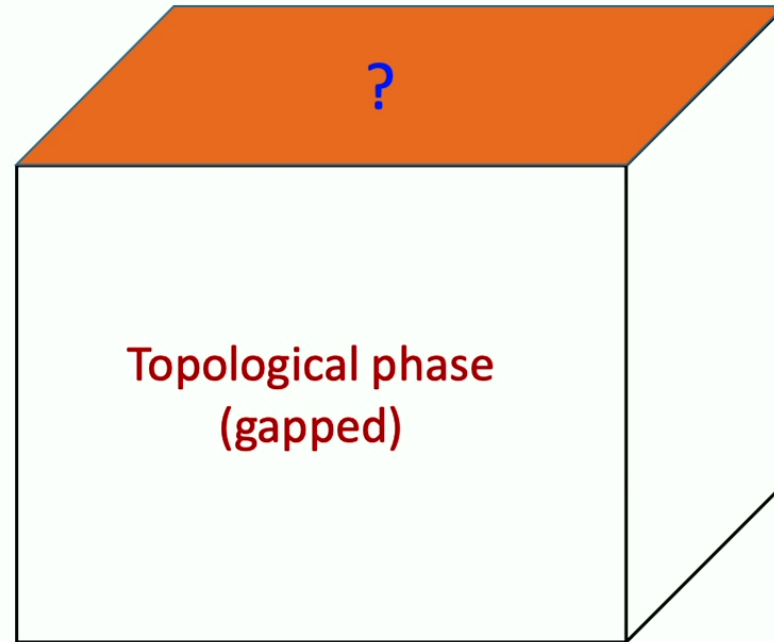
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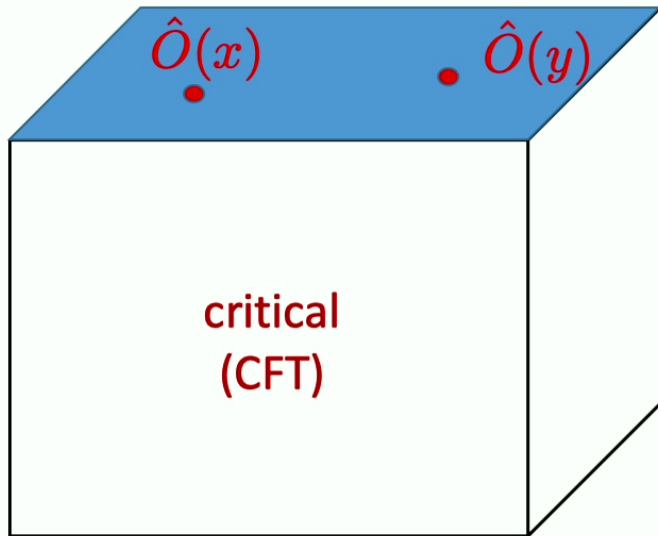


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Boundaries of TQFTs



Boundary criticality

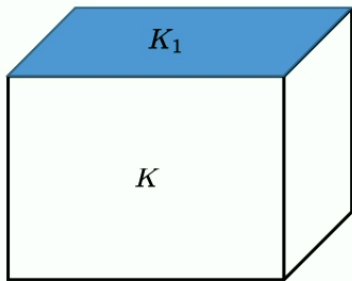


$$\langle \hat{O}(x)\hat{O}(y) \rangle \sim \frac{1}{|x-y|^{2\hat{\Delta}}}$$

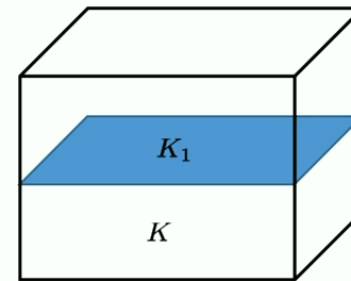
- BCFT - not unique

Classical $O(N)$ model, $d = 3$

$$H = - \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} K_{ij} \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j$$



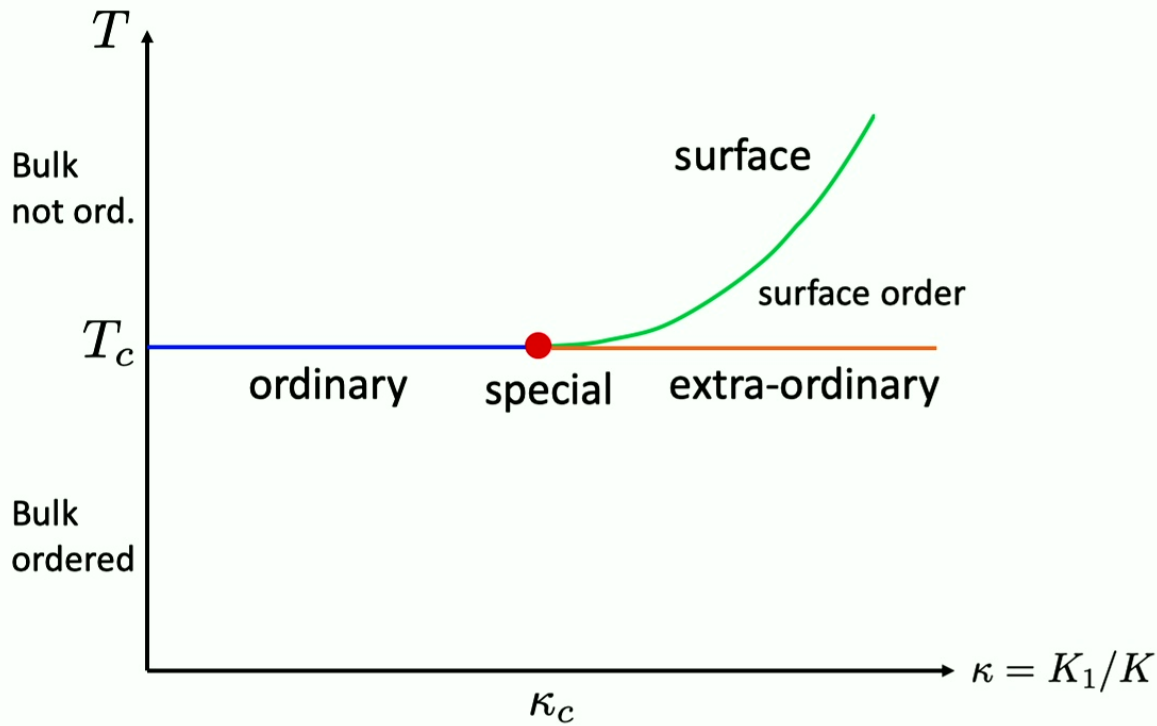
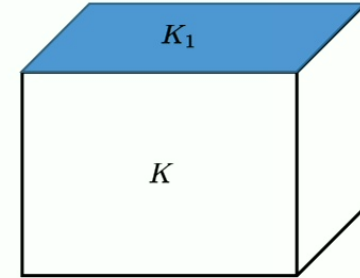
Boundary



Plane defect

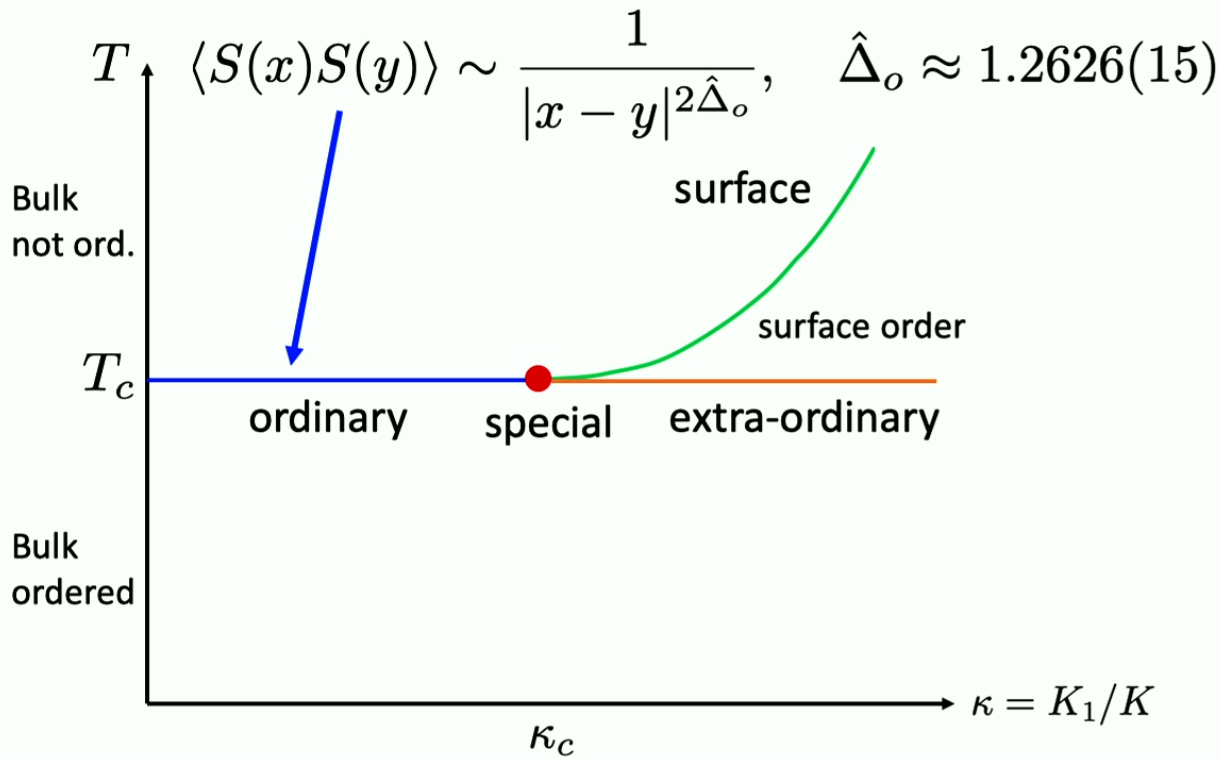
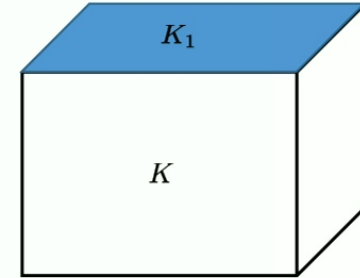
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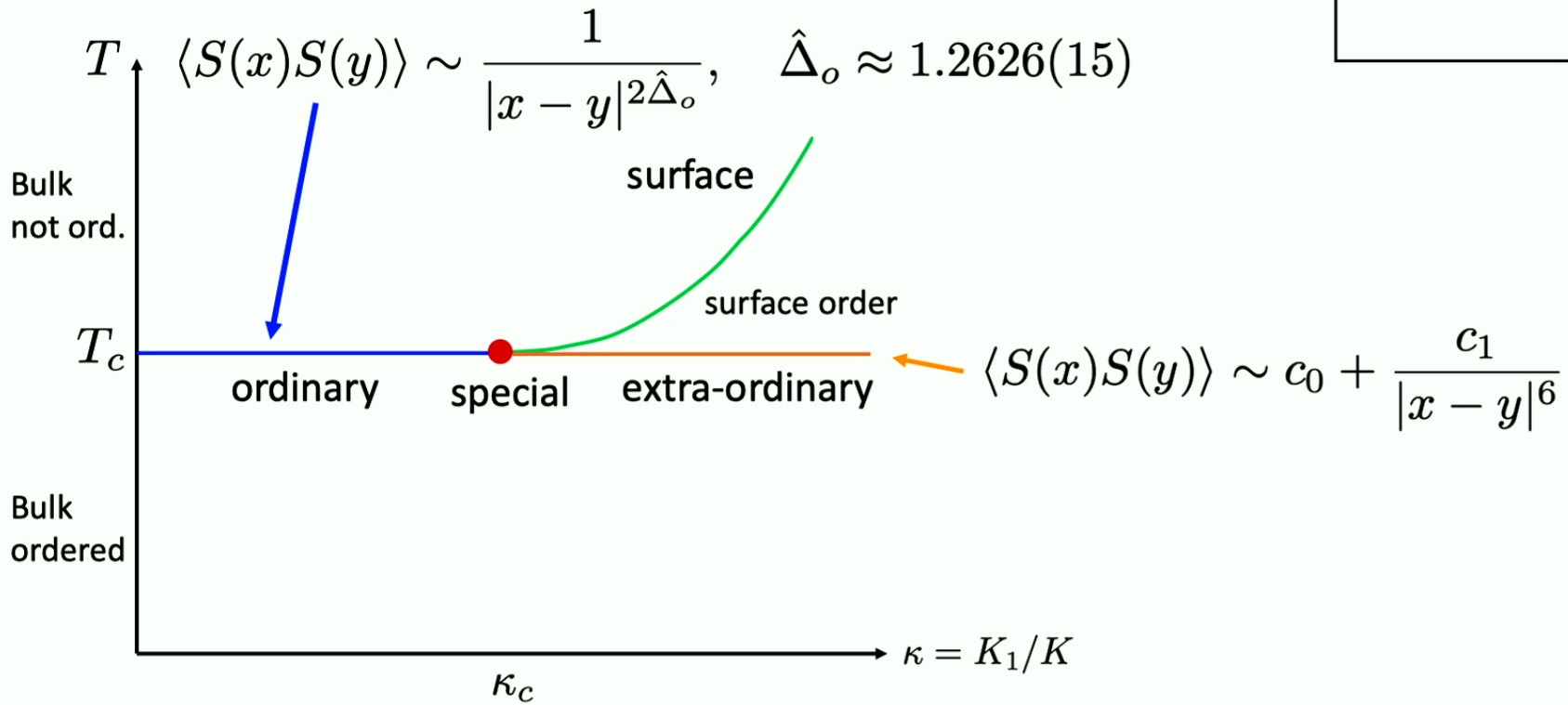
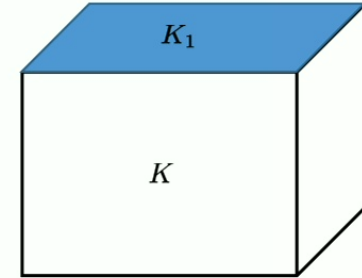
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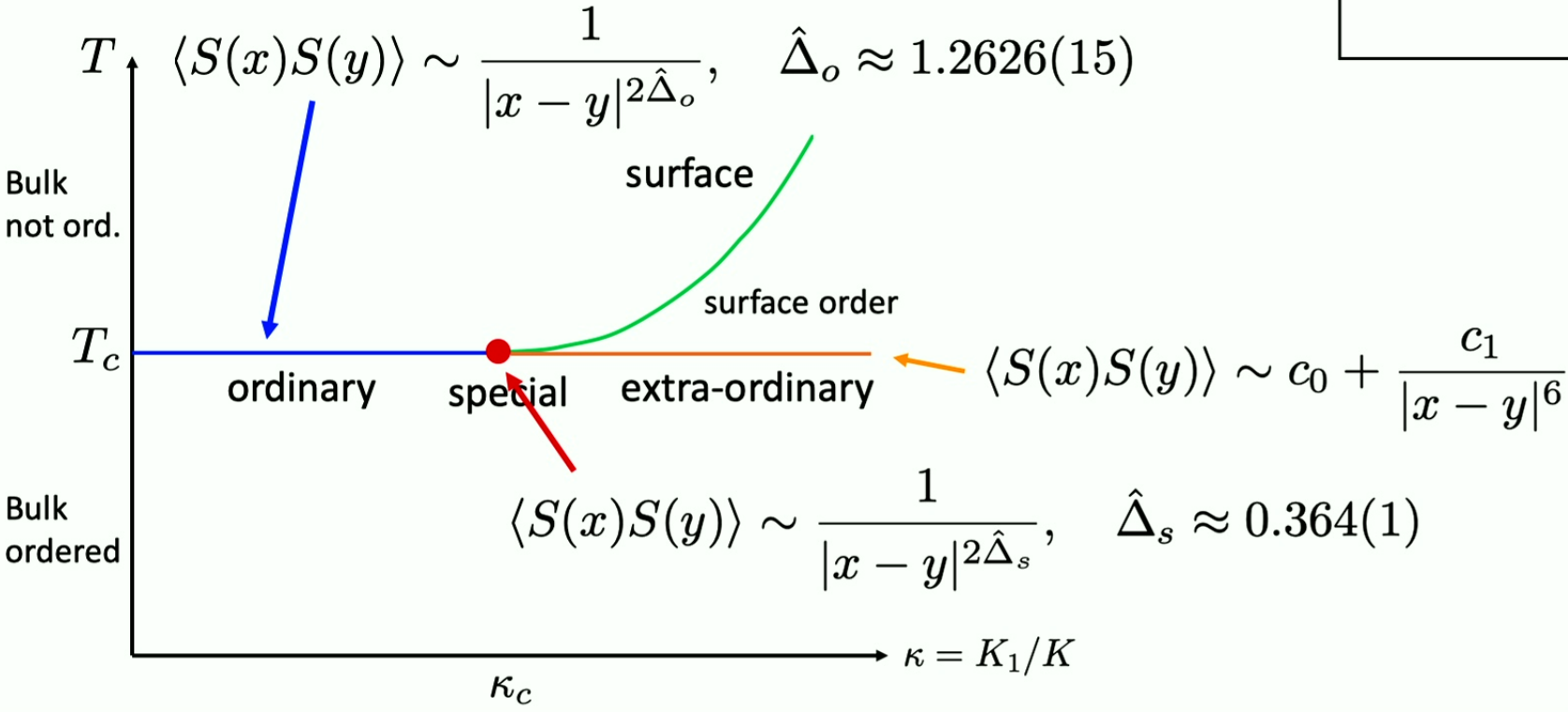
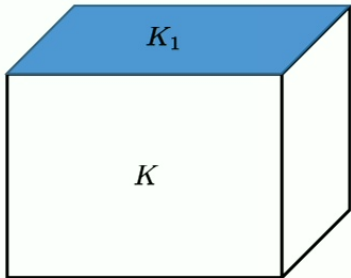
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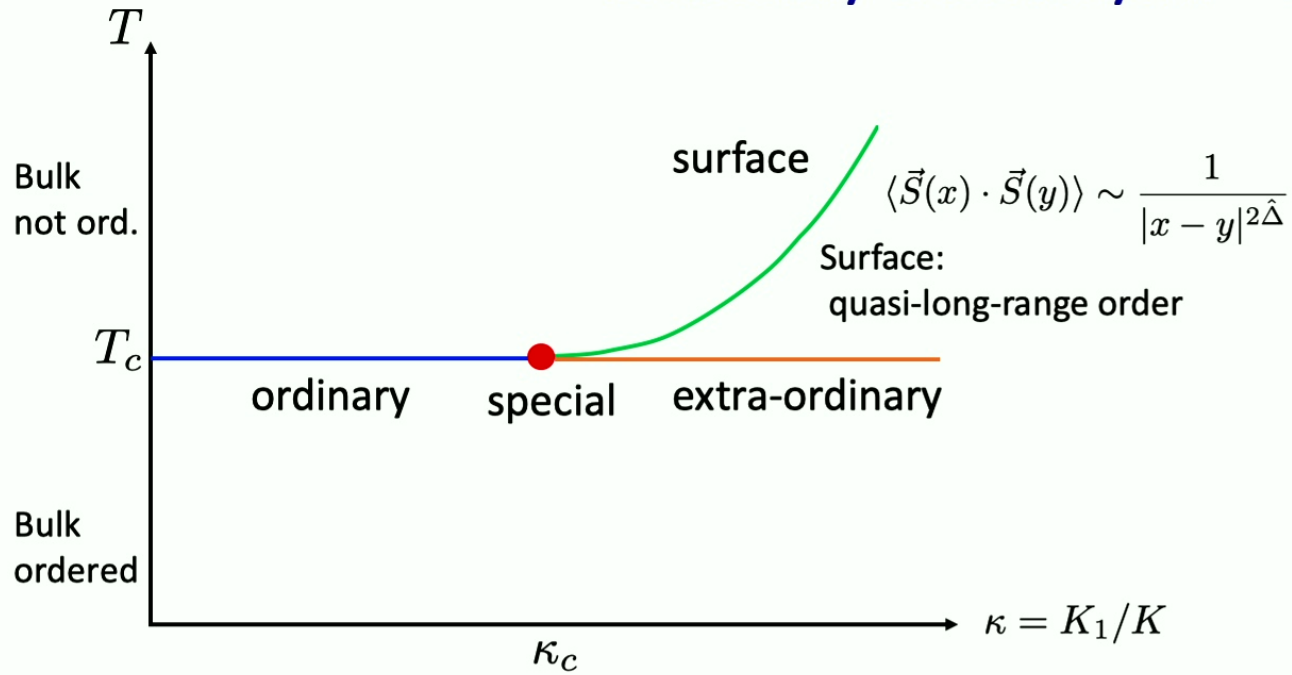


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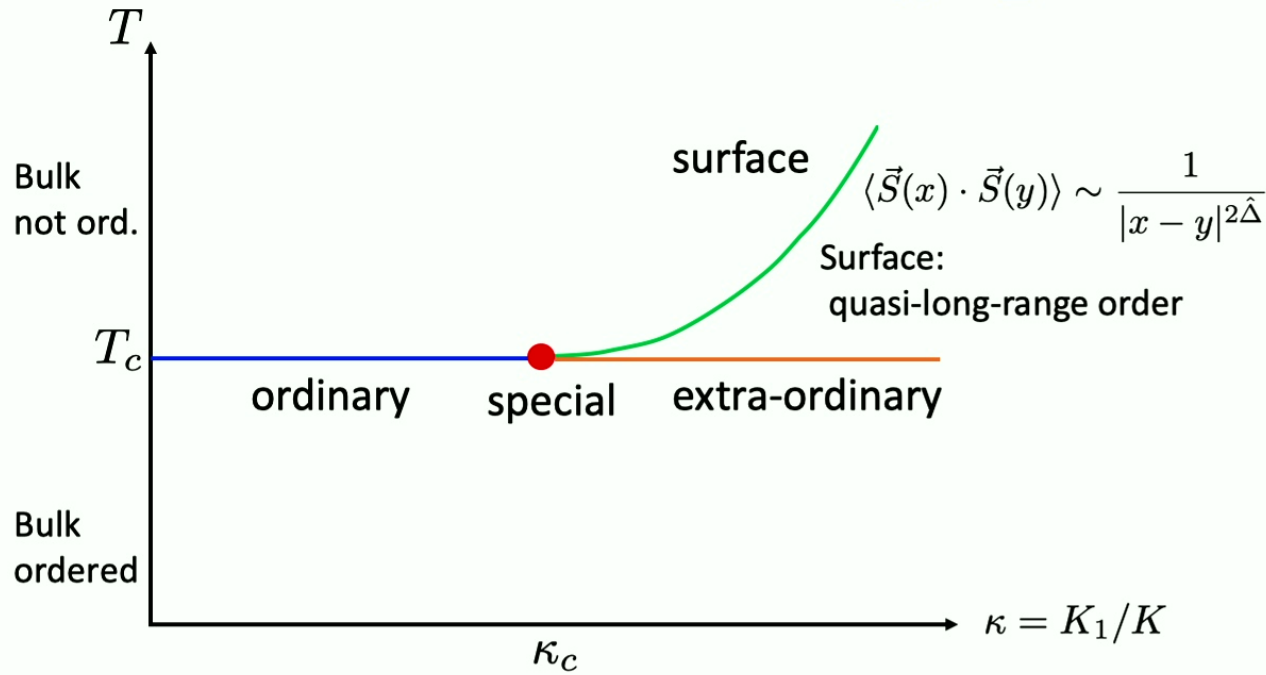
Boundary criticality: N = 2



- Mermin-Wagner-Hohenberg theorem: 2d + local interactions

$$\langle \vec{S}(x) \cdot \vec{S}(y) \rangle \rightarrow 0, \quad |x - y| \rightarrow \infty$$

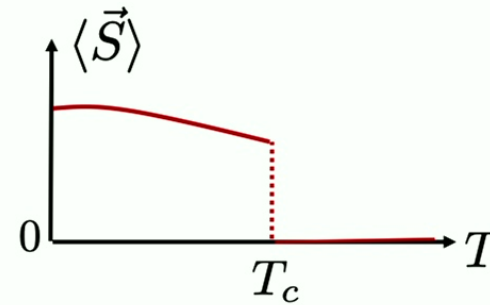
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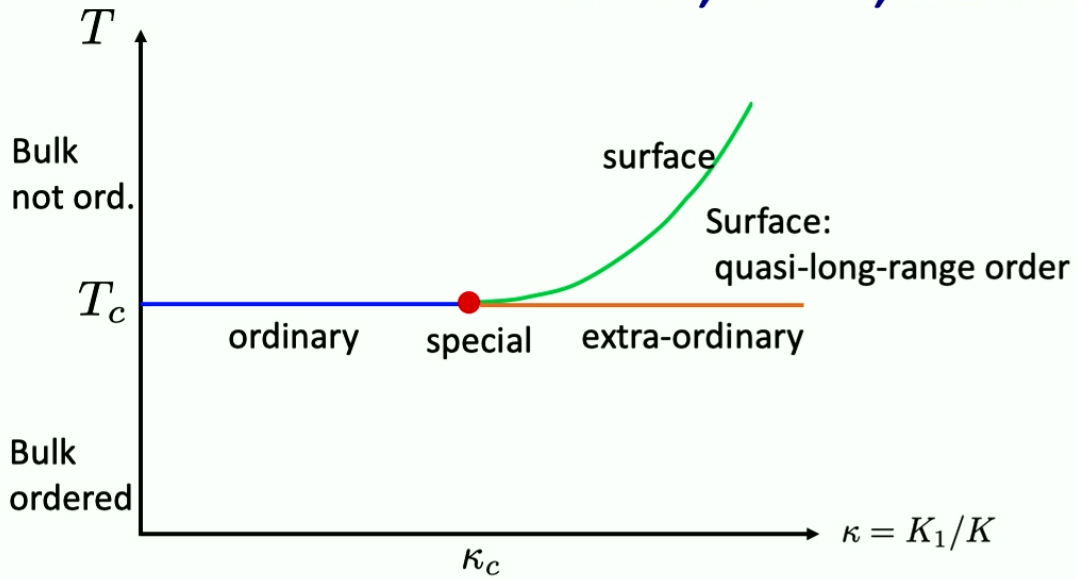
- Extra-ordinary??

- Long range order at T_c ?

Deng, Blote, Nightingale, 2005



d = 3, N = 2, extra-ordinary

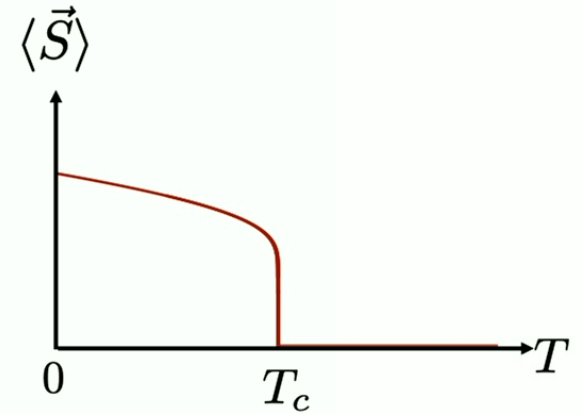


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MM, 2020.

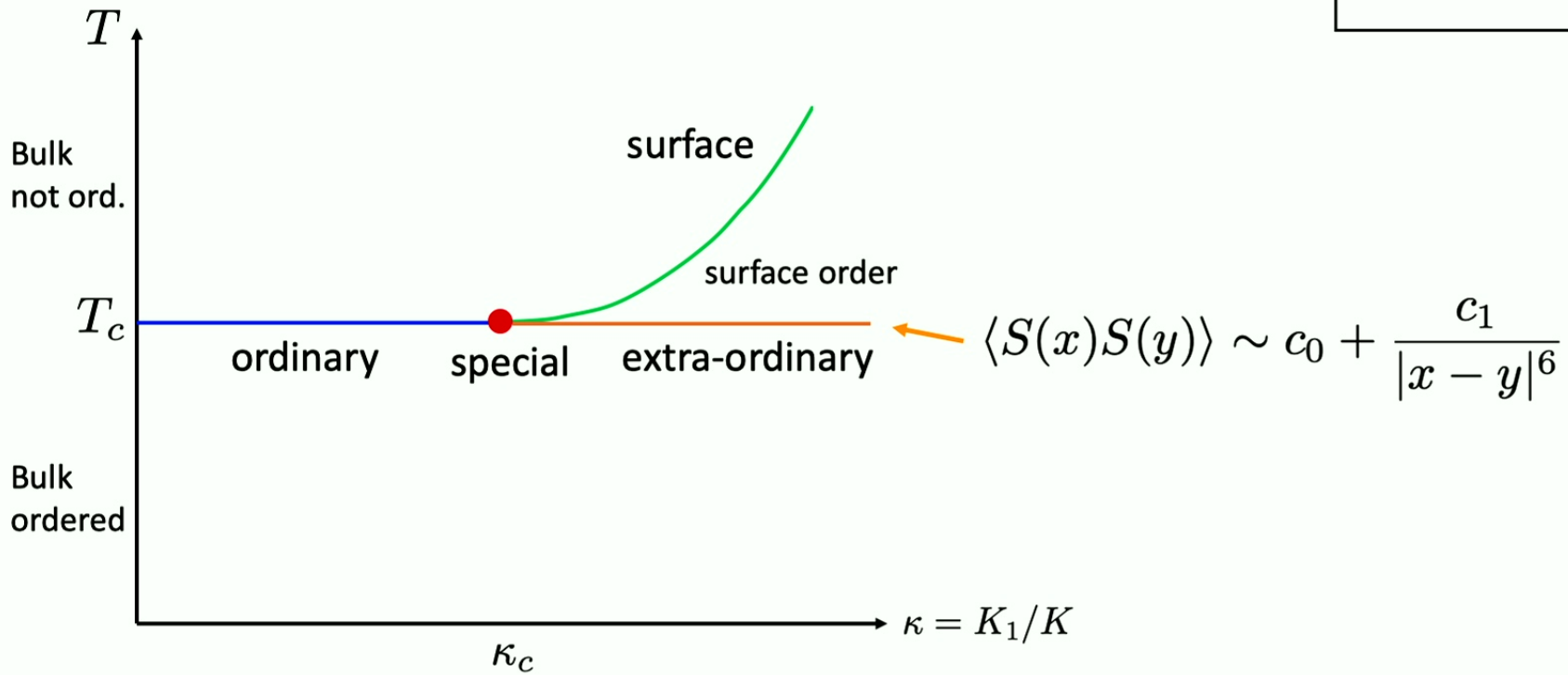
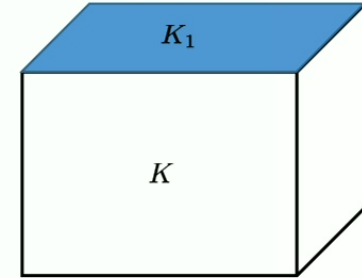
$q \approx 0.531(9)$

M. Hu, Y. Deng, J.-P. Lv, 2021
 Francesco Parisen Toldin, MM 2021

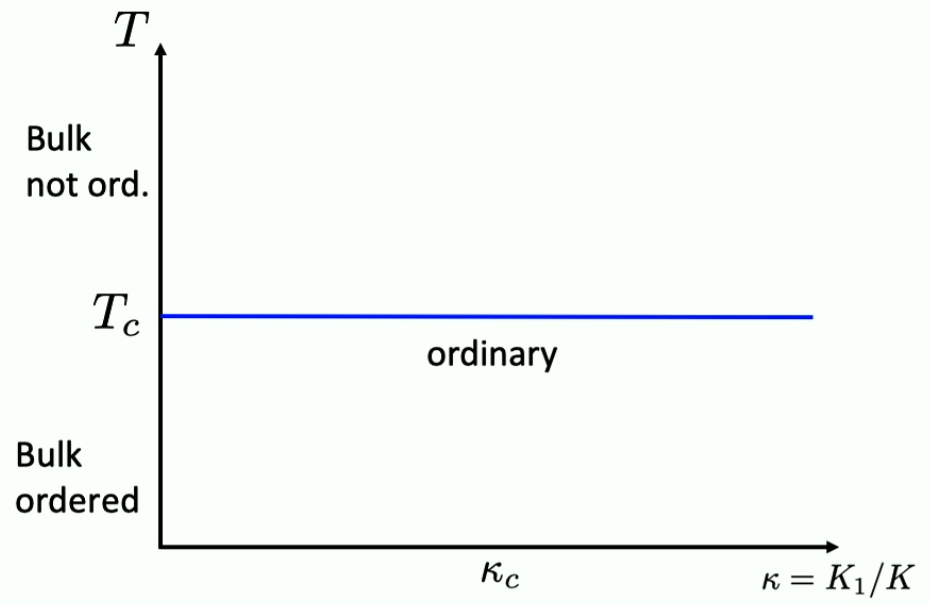


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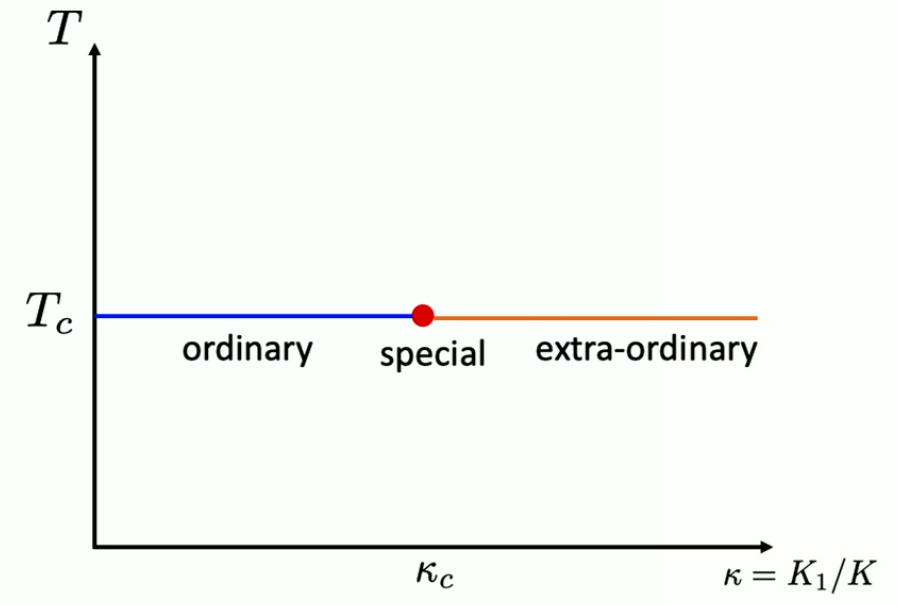
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$N > 2$

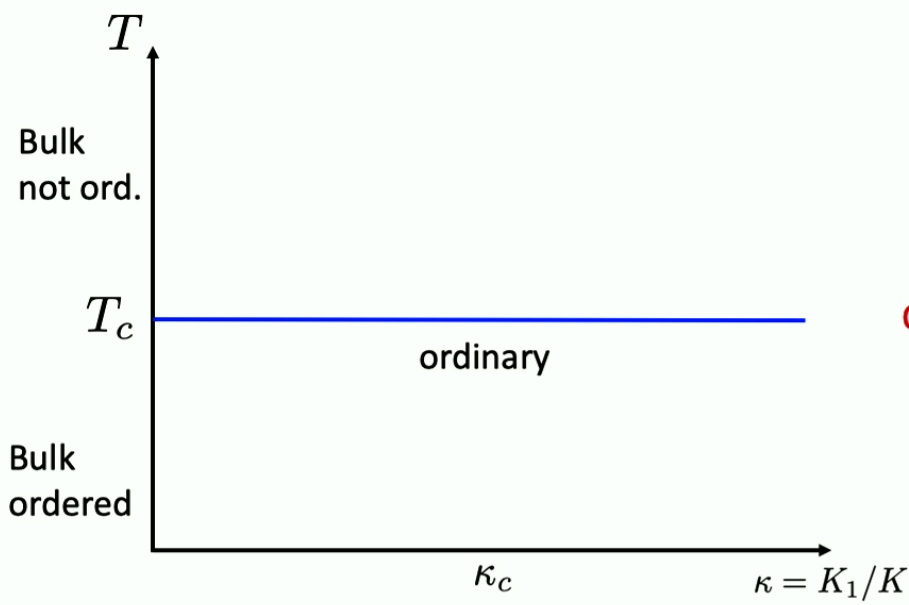


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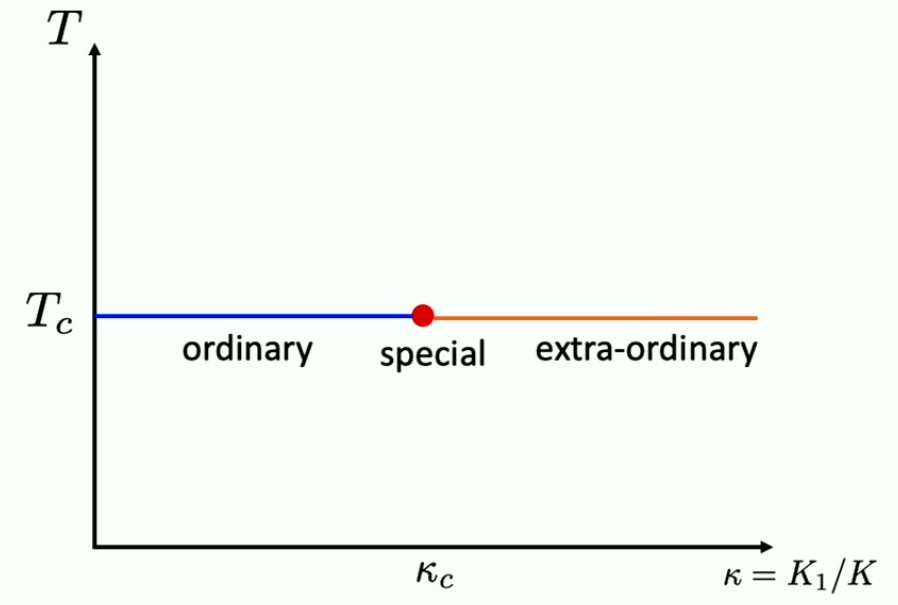


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OR



Large finite N

$$N \rightarrow 2^+$$

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MM, 2020

RG

- Surface:
$$S = \frac{1}{2g} \int d^2x (\partial_\mu \vec{n})^2, \quad \vec{n}^2 = 1$$

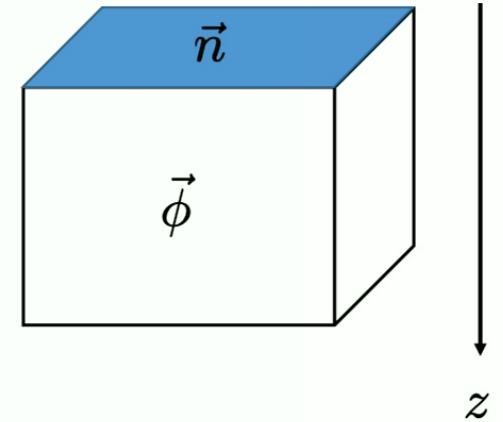
Polyakov:

$$x \rightarrow e^{\ell} x : \quad \frac{dg}{d\ell} \approx \frac{N-2}{2\pi} g^2, \quad \vec{n} \rightarrow \left(1 - \frac{\eta_n(g)}{2} d\ell\right) \vec{n}, \quad \eta_n \approx \frac{N-1}{2\pi} g.$$

RG: adding the bulk

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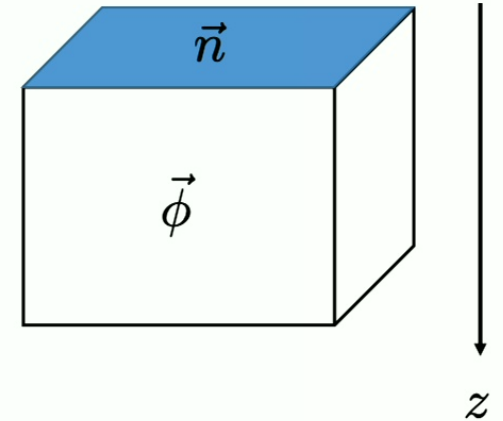
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$$\vec{n} = (\vec{\pi}, \sqrt{1 - \vec{\pi}^2})$$

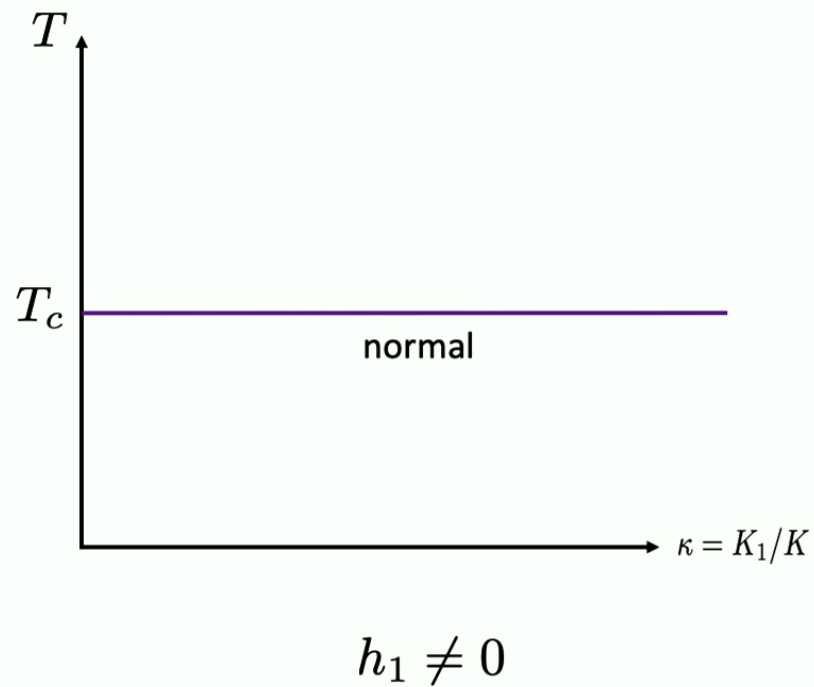
- $g = 0$, $\vec{n} = (\vec{0}, 1)$ - flows to normal universality class



“Normal” universality class

$$H = - \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} K_{ij} \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j - \sum_{i \in \text{surf}} \vec{h}_1 \cdot \vec{S}_i$$

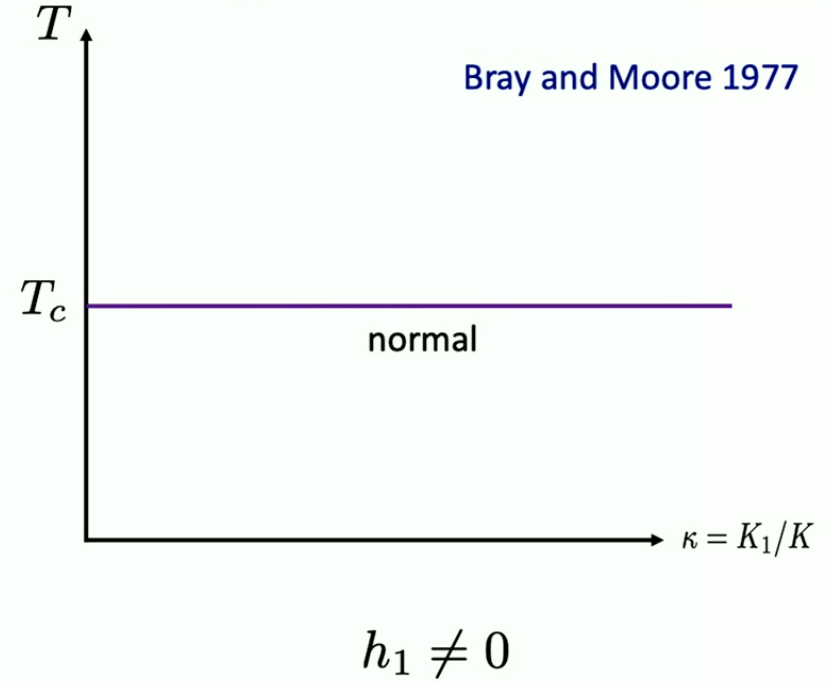
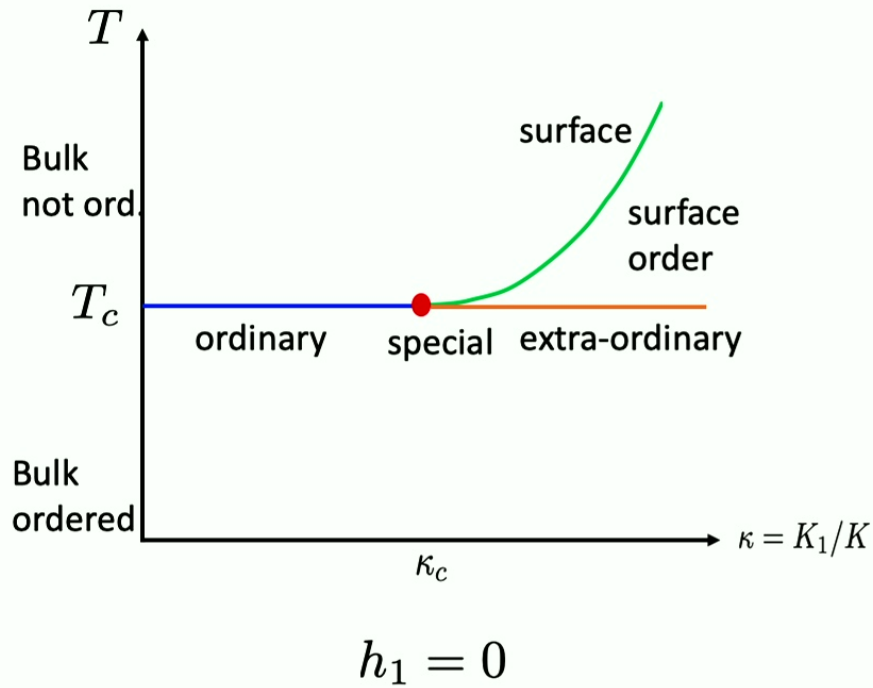
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N = 1:
Extra-ordinary = Normal



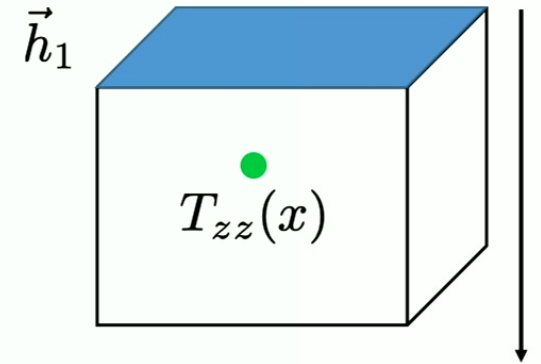
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- Protected boundary operators:

- Displacement: $T_{zz}(\mathbf{x}, z \rightarrow 0) = \sqrt{C_D} D(\mathbf{x}), \quad \Delta_D = 3$

- Tilt: $j_z^{Ni}(\mathbf{x}, z \rightarrow 0) = s t_i(\mathbf{x}), \quad i = 1 \dots N - 1, \quad \Delta_t = 2$

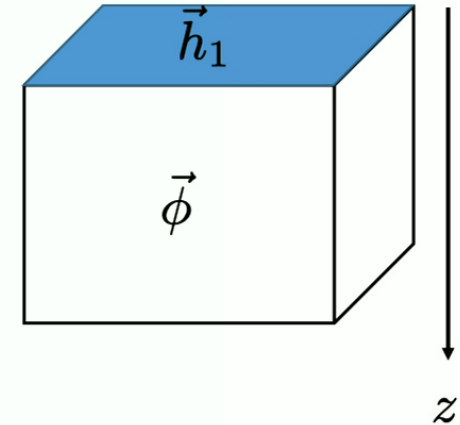


Bray and Moore, 1977;
Burkhardt and Cardy, 1987.

Ward identity

$$j_z^{Ni}(\mathbf{x}, z \rightarrow 0) = s t_i(\mathbf{x})$$

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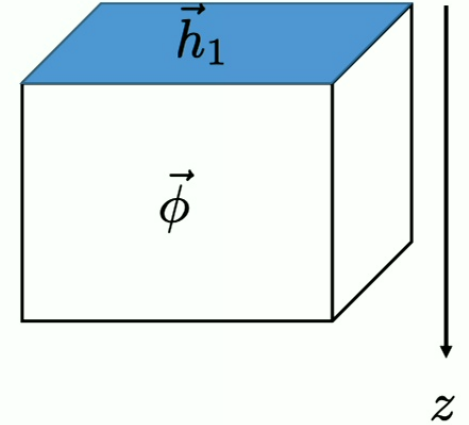
$$\phi_N(\mathbf{x}, z) = \frac{a_\sigma}{(2z)^{\Delta_\phi}} + b_D (2z)^{3-\Delta_\phi} D(\mathbf{x}) + \dots, \quad z \rightarrow 0$$

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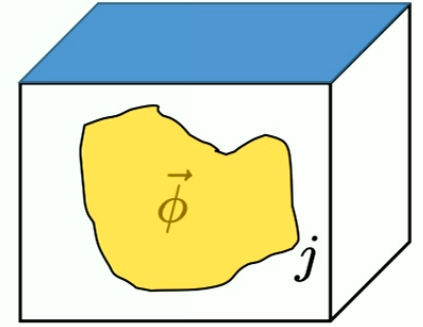
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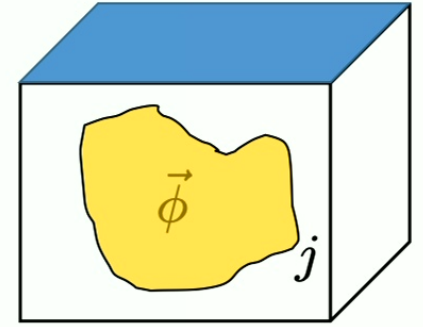
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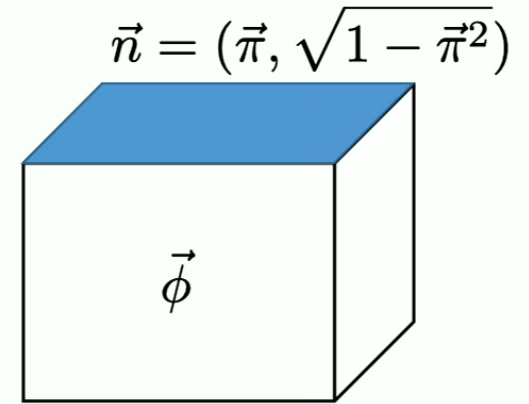


Adding fluctuations

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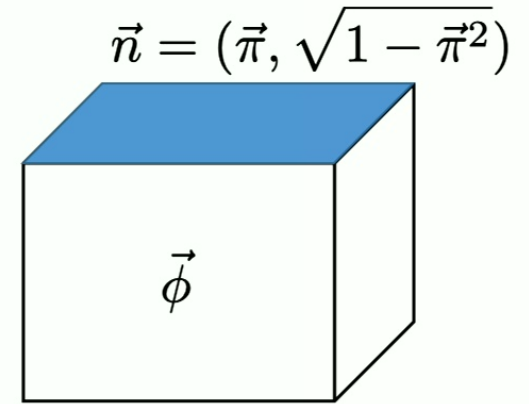


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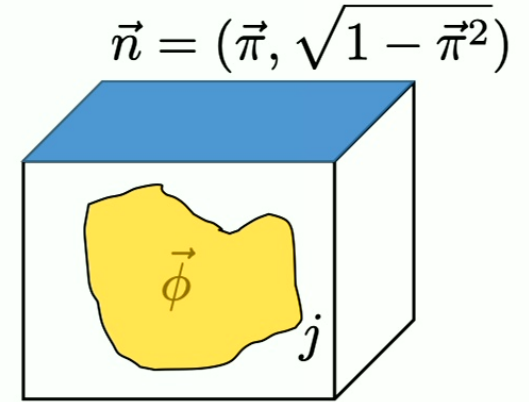
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- $\alpha > 0, \quad g \rightarrow 0$

- Extra-ordinary-log fixed point

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$$q = \frac{N-1}{2\pi\alpha}$$

- $\alpha < 0, \quad g = 0$ - unstable

N_c

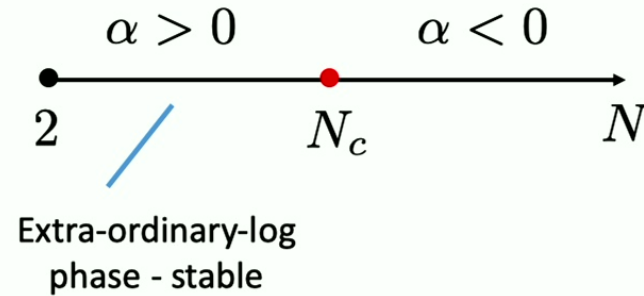
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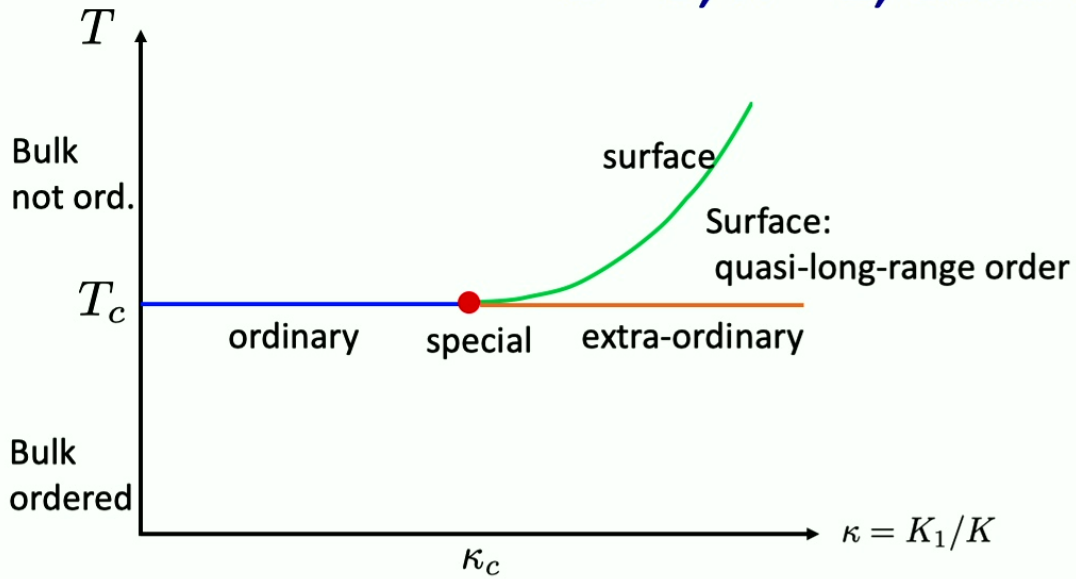
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d = 3, N = 2, extra-ordinary

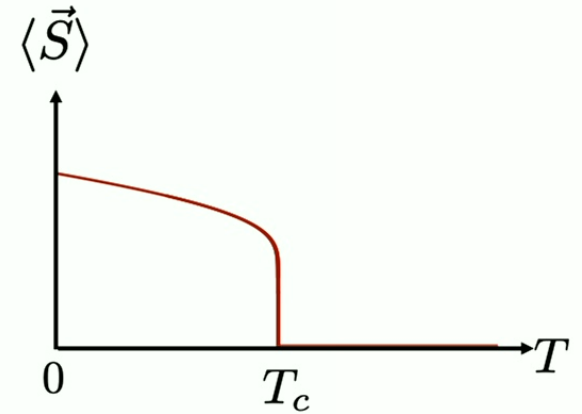


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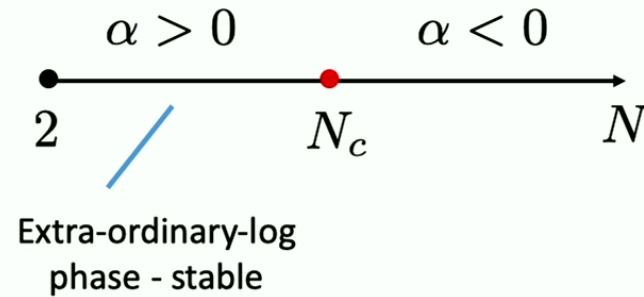
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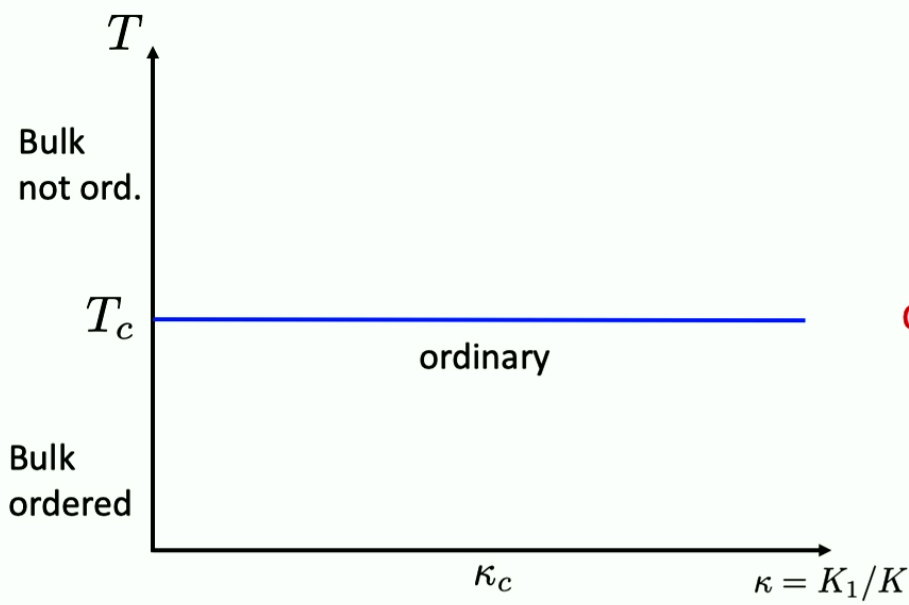
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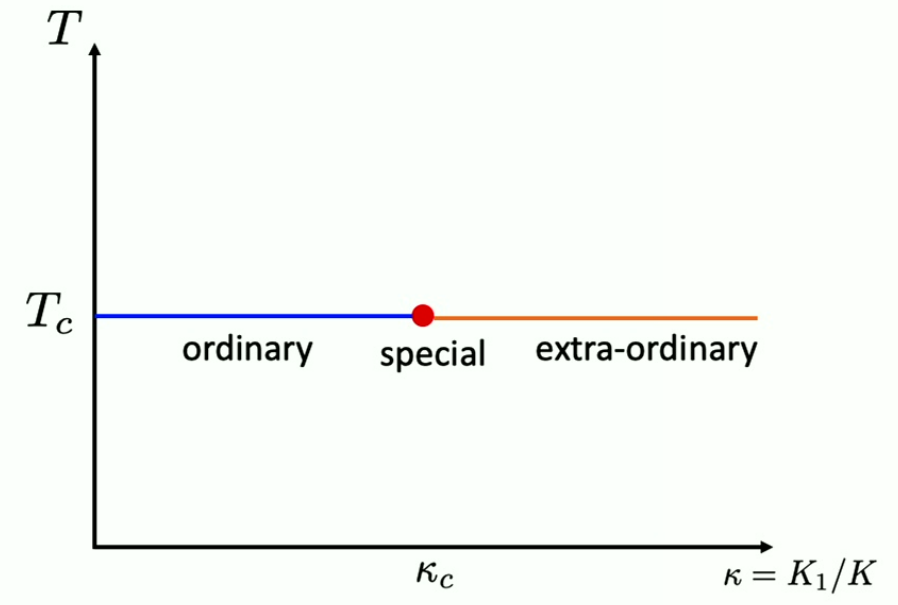


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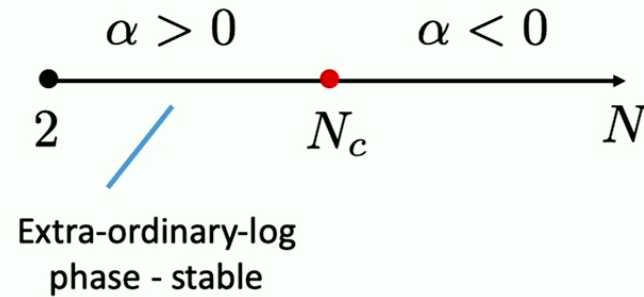
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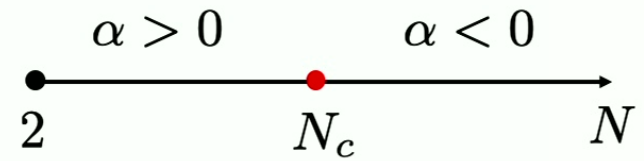
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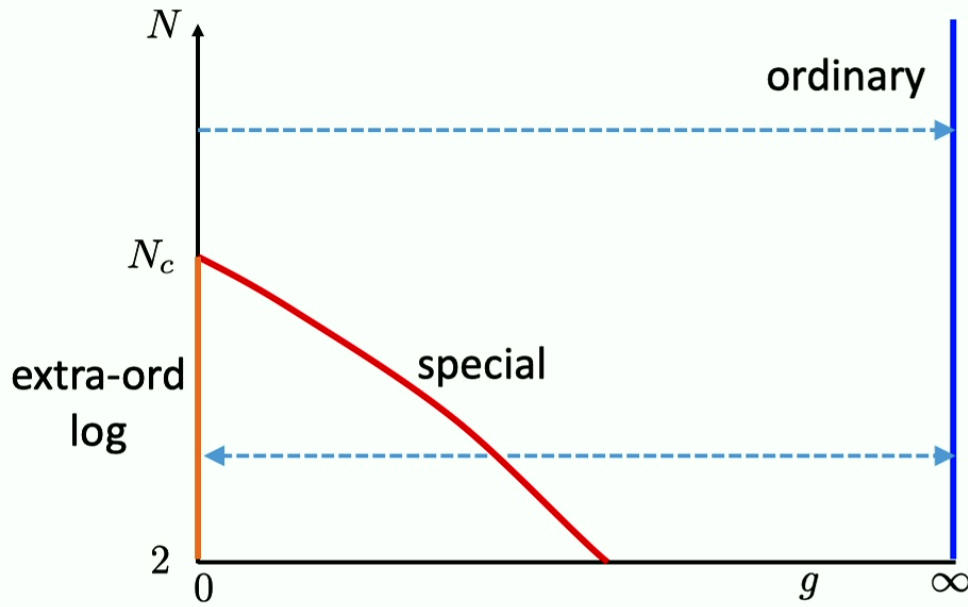
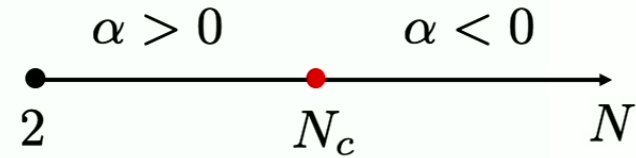
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Scenario I: $b > 0$

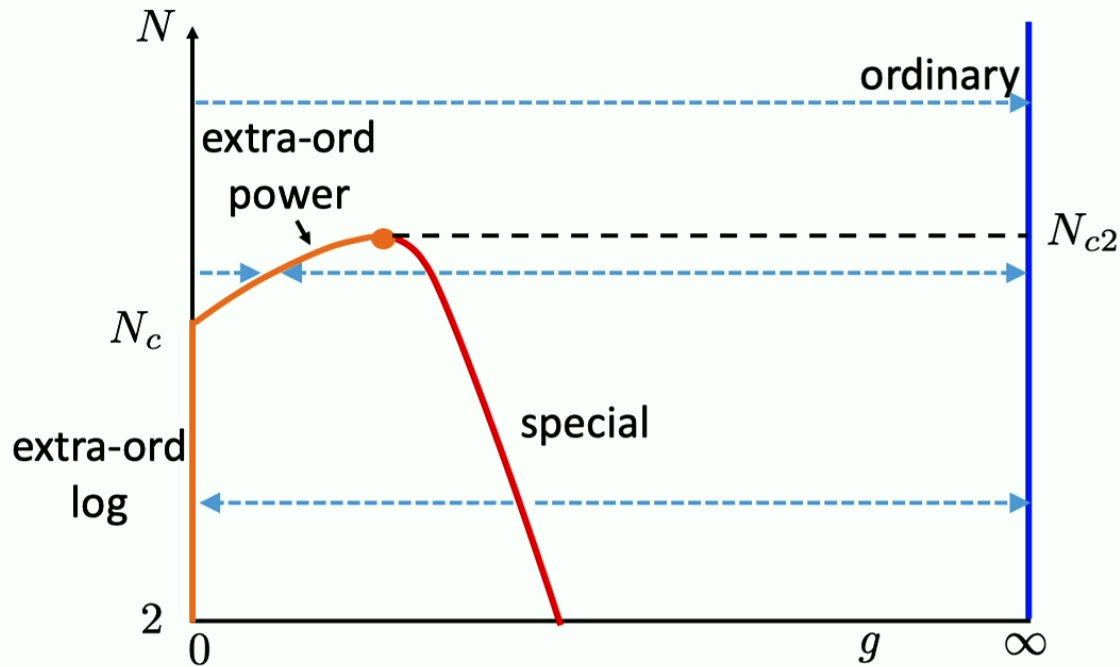
$$N \rightarrow N_c^-, \quad g_*^{spec} \sim \frac{a(N_c - N)}{b}$$

$$\Delta_{\vec{n}} \approx \frac{N - 1}{4\pi} g_*$$

$$\nu^{-1} = \frac{a^2(N_c - N)^2}{b}$$

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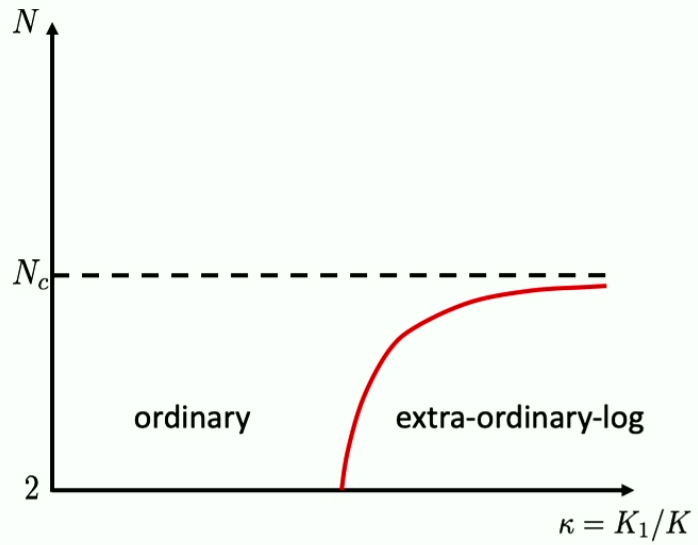


Scenario II: $b < 0$

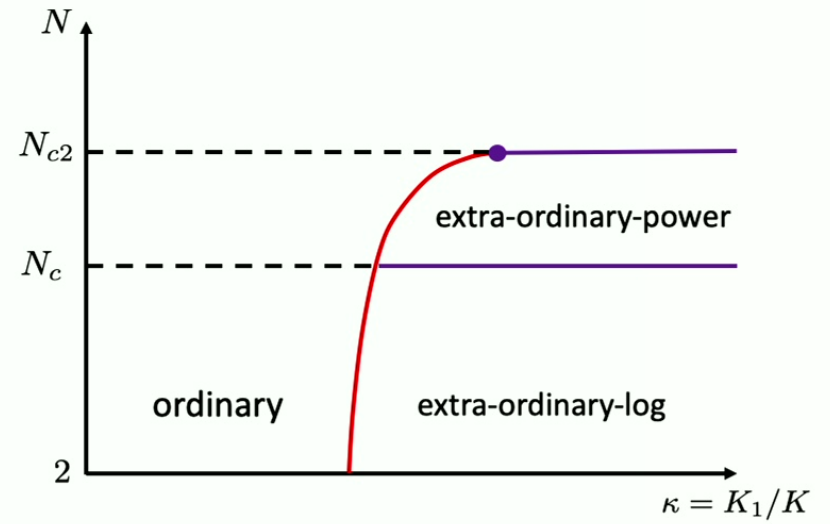
$$N \rightarrow N_c^+, \quad g_* = \frac{a(N - N_c)}{|b|}$$

$$\Delta_{\vec{n}} \approx \frac{N - 1}{4\pi} g_*$$

“Extra-ordinary-power” class.



Scenario I



Scenario II

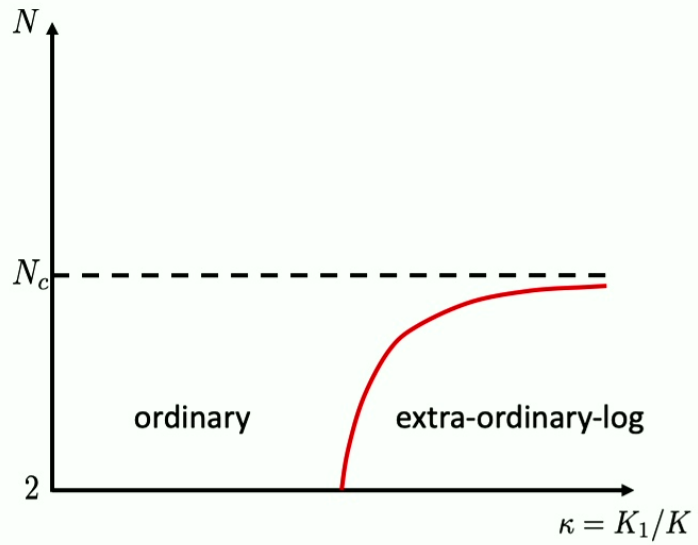
Sign of b?

$$\frac{dg}{d\ell} = -\alpha g^2 + bg^3$$

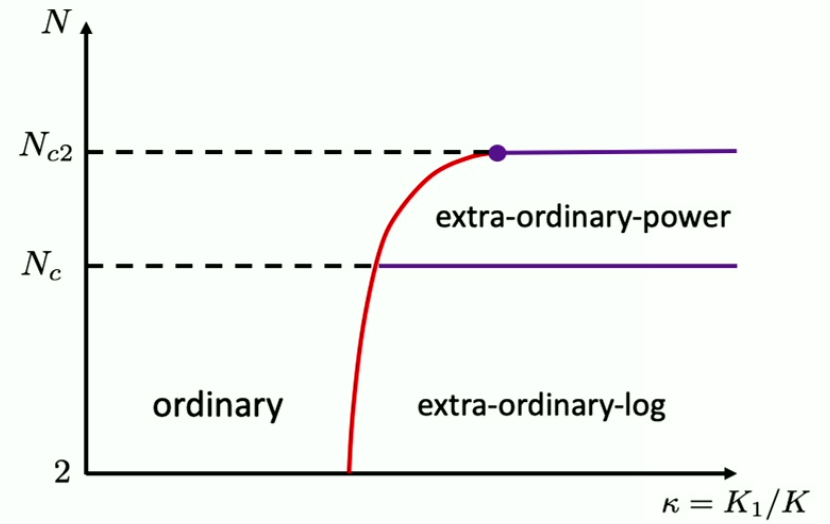
$$(2\pi)^2 b \approx \left(\frac{4}{3} \pm 2.5 \cdot 10^{-3} \right) N + O(N^0)$$

A. Krishnan, MM, 2023.

$$(2\pi)^2 b = (N - 2) \quad - \text{pure 2d nl}\sigma\text{m}$$



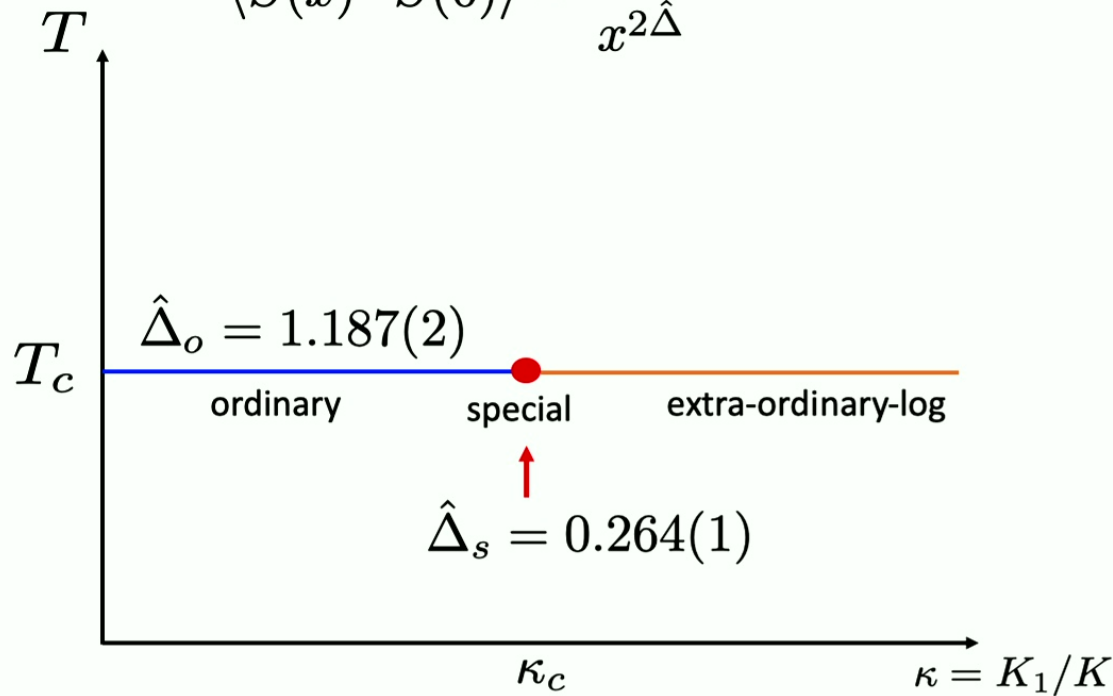
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Monte Carlo: N = 3

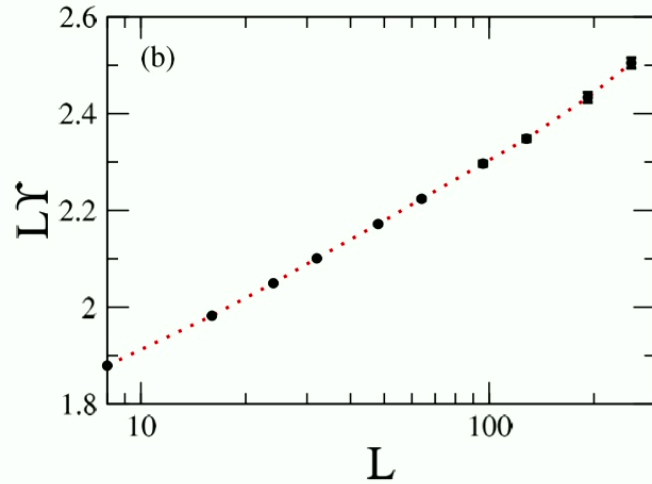
$$\langle \vec{S}(x) \cdot \vec{S}(0) \rangle \sim \frac{1}{x^{2\hat{\Delta}}}$$



F. Parisen Toldin, Aachen, 2020

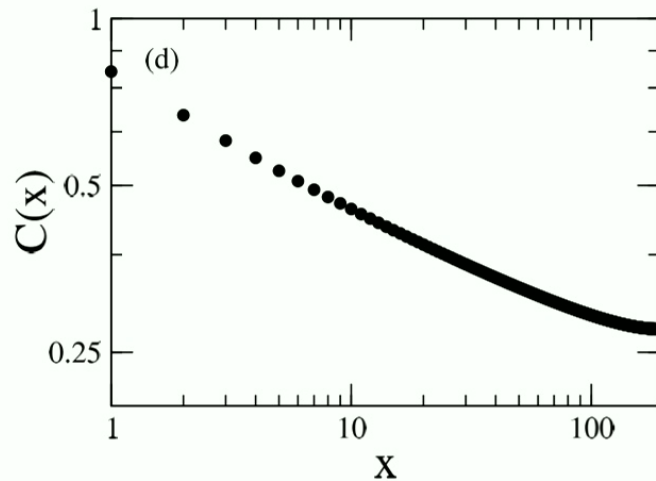
Deng et al, 2005

N = 3 – extra-ordinary log phase?



$$L\Upsilon = \frac{2}{Ng(L)} = \frac{2}{N} \left(\frac{1}{g} + \alpha \log L \right)$$

F. Parisen Toldin, 2020



$$C(x) = \langle \vec{S}(x) \cdot \vec{S}(0) \rangle$$
$$\sim \frac{1}{(\log x)^q}$$

$$\alpha = 0.15(2)$$

Monte Carlo

N	α_{eo}^{MC}	α_{norm}^{MC}	α_{norm}^{boot}
2	0.27(1)	0.300(5)	0.36
3	0.15(2)	0.190(4)	0.22
4			0.13
5			0.02
10			-0.45

$$\alpha = \frac{\pi s^2}{2} - \frac{N - 2}{2\pi} \qquad s = \frac{a_\sigma}{4\pi b_t}$$

Francesco Parisen Toldin, 2021.

M. Hu, Y. Deng and J.-P. Lv, 2021.

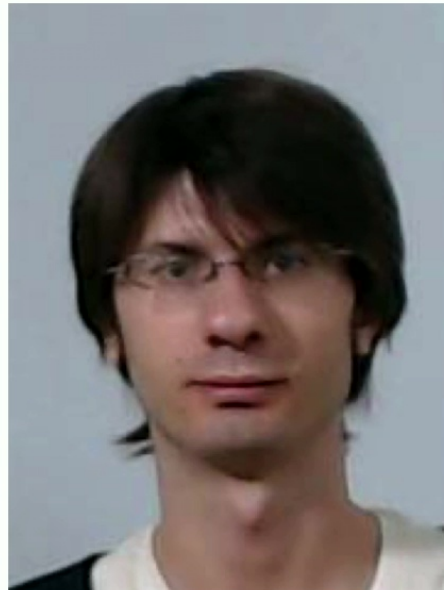
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Bootstrapping the normal universality class



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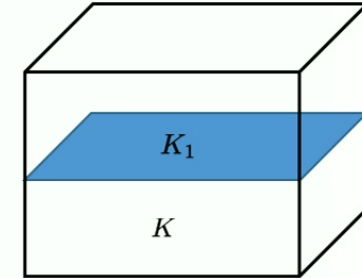
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Plane defect, $d = 3$

$$H = - \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} K_{ij} \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j$$

$$S = S_{\text{inf}} + c \int d^2 \mathbf{x} \epsilon(\mathbf{x}, z = 0), \quad c \sim K_c - K_1$$

$c = 0$ - special fixed point, exists for any N.

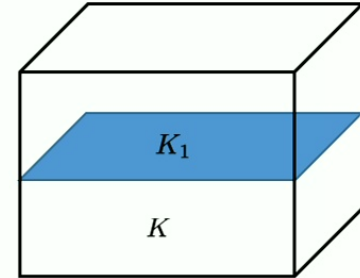


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Plane defect in $O(N)$ model

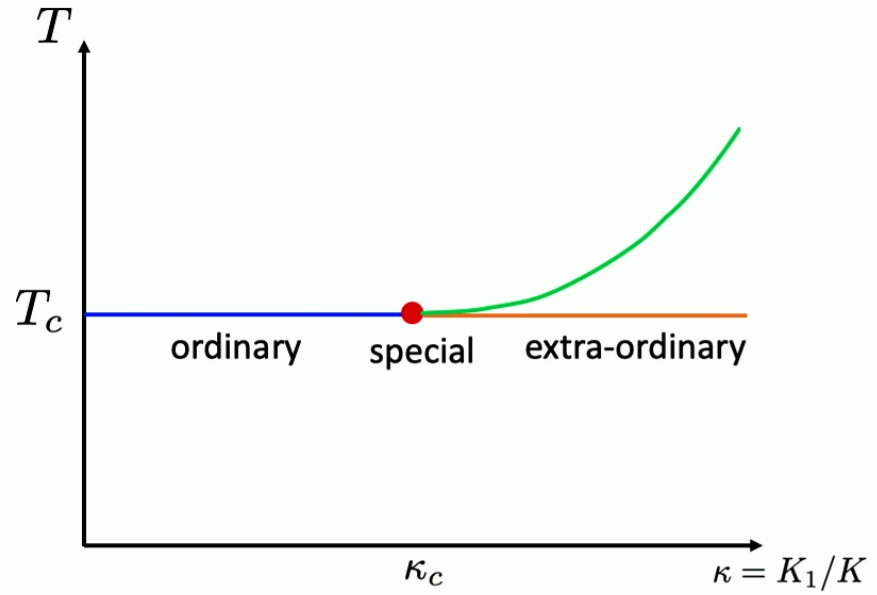
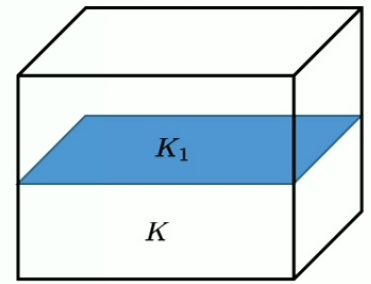


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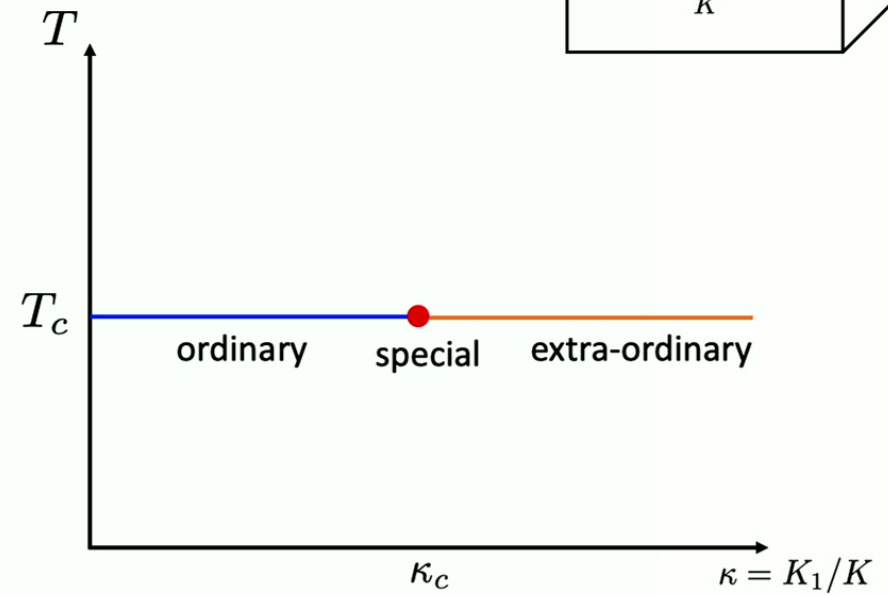


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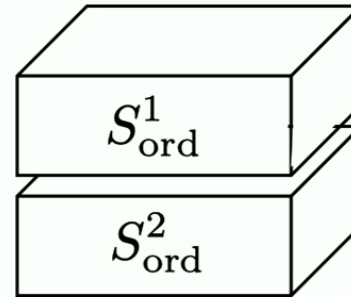
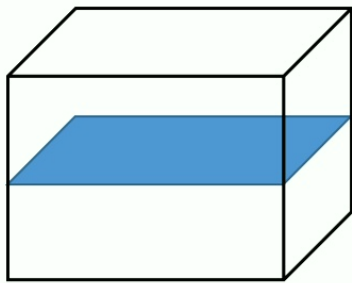


$N = 1, 2$



$N > 2$

Plane defect, ordinary

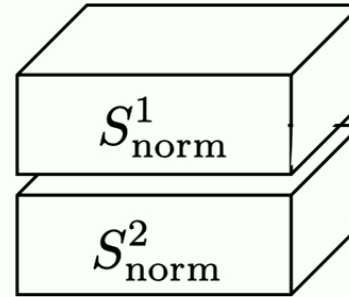
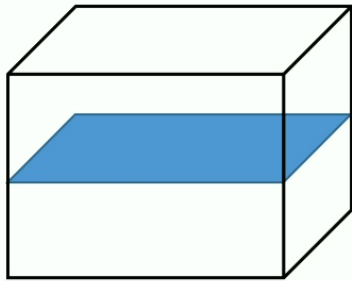


$$S = S_{\text{ord}}^1 + S_{\text{ord}}^2 + u \int d^2 \mathbf{x} \hat{\phi}_a^1 \hat{\phi}_a^2$$

$$\Delta_{\hat{\phi}}^{\text{ord}} = 1 + \frac{2}{3N} + O(N^{-2}) > 1$$

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Plane defect, normal



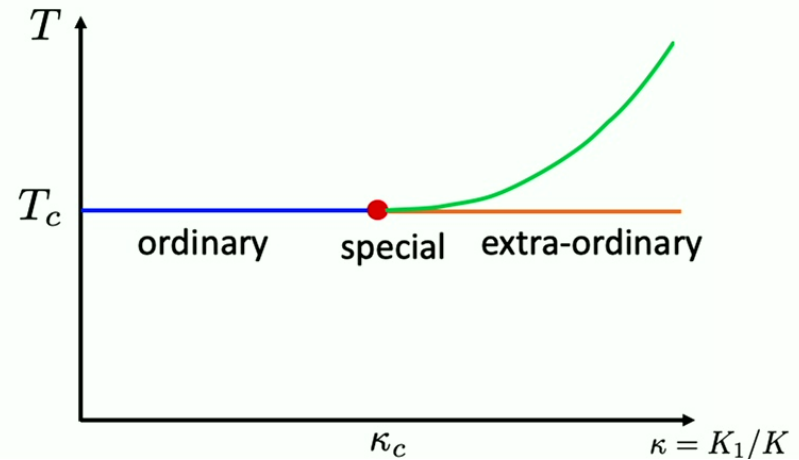
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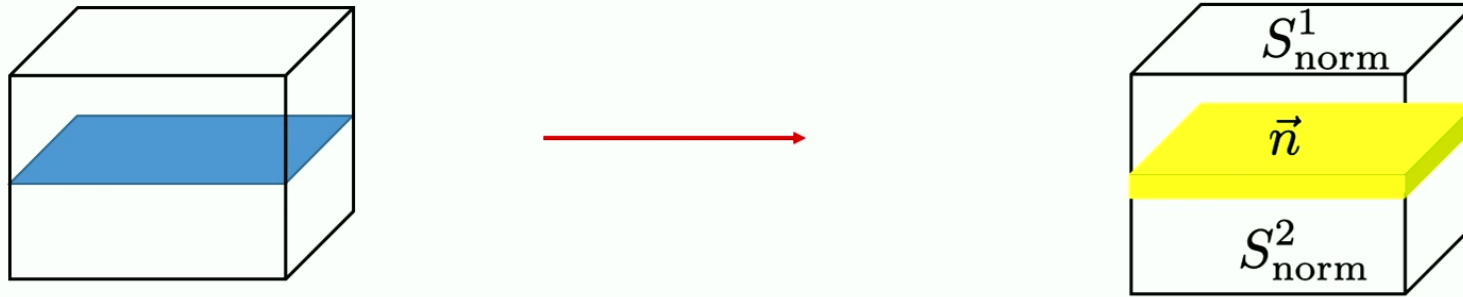
$$\delta S = v \int d^2x t_i^1 t_i^2$$

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- N = 1: extra-ordinary = normal



Extra-ordinary, $N \geq 2$



$$S = S_{\text{norm}}^1 + S_{\text{norm}}^2 + \frac{1}{2g} \int d^2x (\partial_\mu \vec{n})^2 - s \int d^2x \pi_i (t_i^1 + t_i^2) \quad s = \frac{a_\sigma}{4\pi b_t}$$

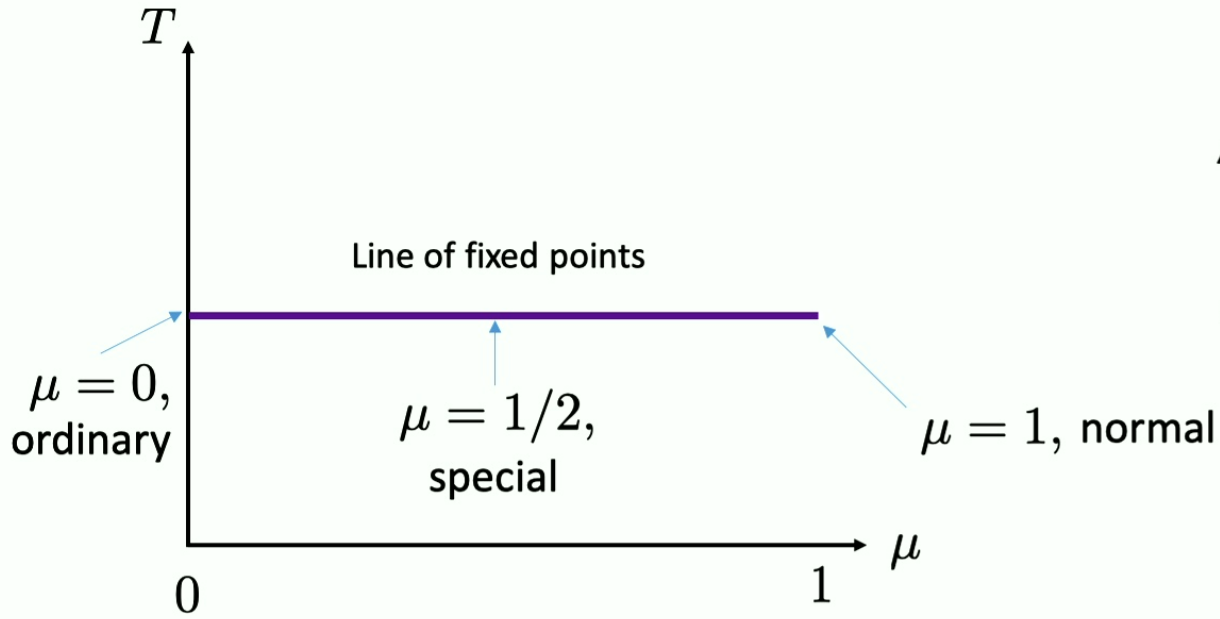
$$\frac{dg}{d\ell} \approx -\alpha g^2, \quad \alpha = 2 \cdot \frac{\pi s^2}{2} - \frac{N-2}{2\pi}, \quad \eta_n = \frac{(N-1)g}{2\pi}$$

$$\alpha(N) \rightarrow \frac{1}{\pi}, \quad N \rightarrow \infty$$

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N=2,3 Monte Carlo: Y. Sun, M. Hu, J.-P. Lv, 2023

$$N = \infty$$

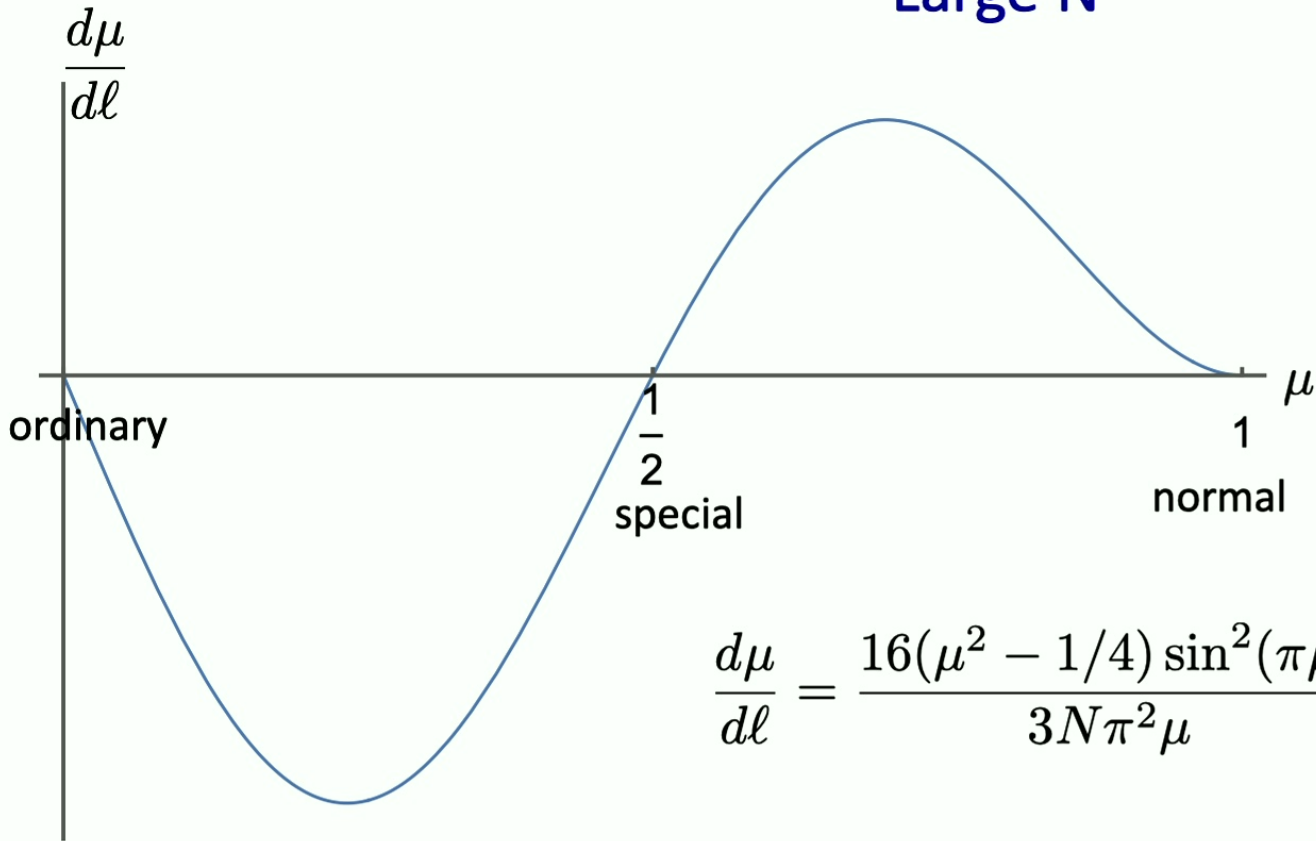


$$\hat{\Delta}_{\phi,S} = 1 - \mu$$

$$\hat{\Delta}_{\phi,A} = 1 + \mu$$

E. Eisenriegler, T.W. Burkhardt, 1982

Large N



$$\hat{\Delta}_{\phi,S} = 1 - \mu$$

$$\hat{\Delta}_{\phi,A} = 1 + \mu$$

$$\frac{d\mu}{d\ell} = \frac{16(\mu^2 - 1/4) \sin^2(\pi\mu)}{3N\pi^2\mu}$$

$$\frac{dg}{d\ell} = -\alpha g^2, \quad \eta_n = \frac{(N-1)g}{2\pi}, \quad \alpha \rightarrow \frac{1}{\pi}, \quad N \rightarrow \infty$$

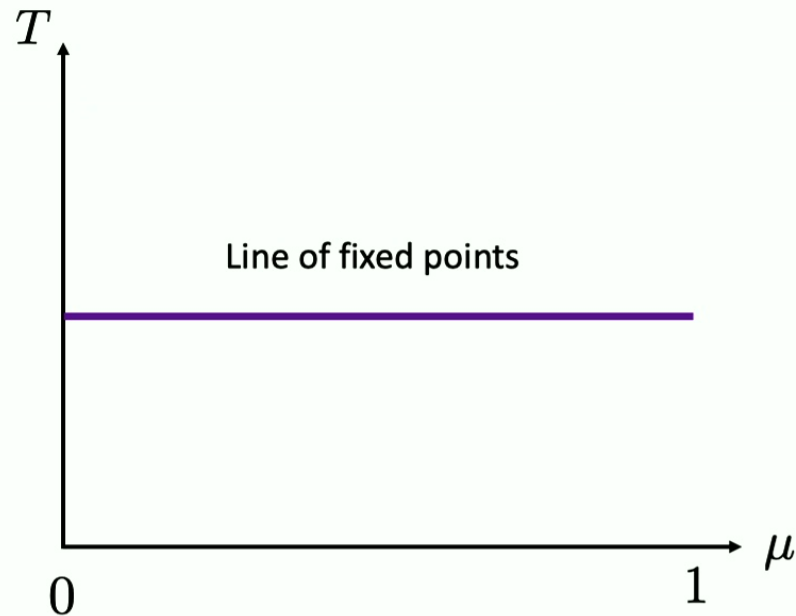
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Boundary entropy

$$T_{\mu}^{\mu} = \frac{1}{24\pi} \delta(x_{\perp}) (a_{3d} \hat{R} + b \text{tr} \hat{K}^2) \quad \text{K. Jensen, A. O'Bannon (2015)}$$

$$N \rightarrow \infty : a_{3d}^{\text{plane}}(\mu) = 0$$

A. Krishnan, MM, 2023; S. Giombi and H. Khanchandani (2021)



Boundary entropy, finite N

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ordinary special extra-ordinary

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N-1 π fields

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$$a_{UV} - a_{IR} = 3\pi \int d^2x x^2 \langle \mathcal{T}(x) \mathcal{T}(0) \rangle_c$$

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N-1 π fields

Recent developments

- Can a continuous symmetry be spontaneously broken on a 2d defect in a (unitary) CFT?
 - **Generically, “No”!**
 - **Generically, extra-ordinary-log is as close as you can get.**

Spontaneous symmetry breaking on surface defects

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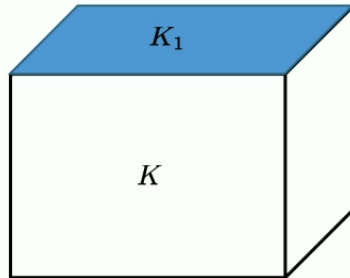
- Study of 2d defects in $O(N)$ model in general d .

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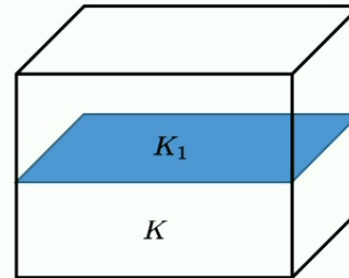
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Conclusion



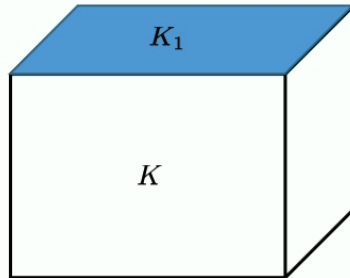
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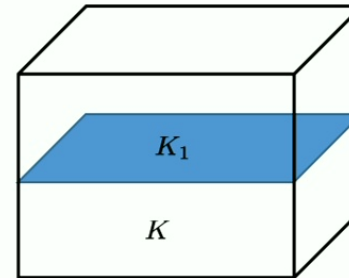
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