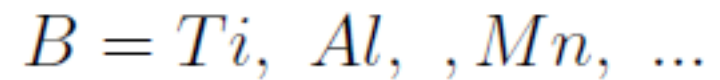
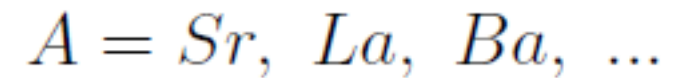
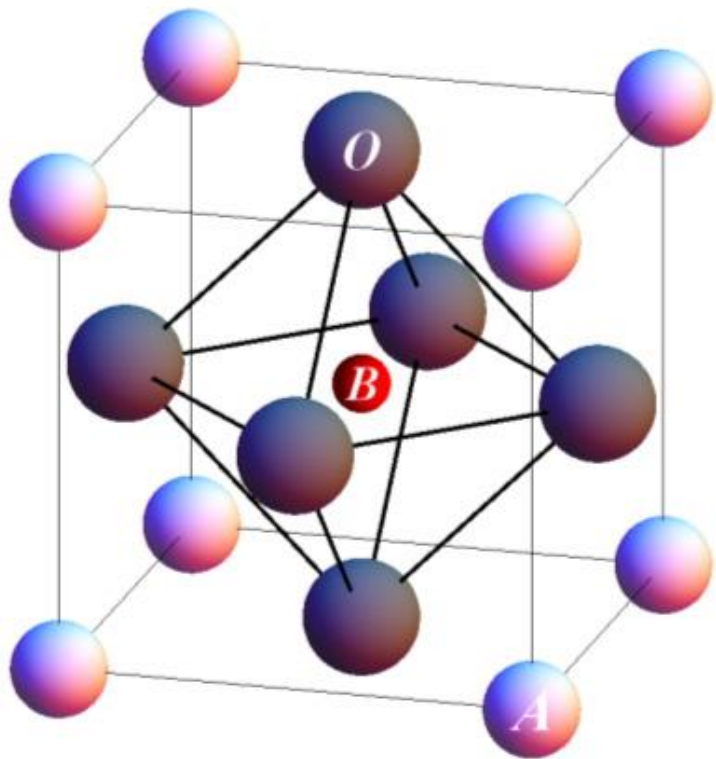


# Multicritical behavior near the structural phase transitions in the perovskites

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*SrTiO<sub>3</sub> : cubic to tetragonal*

*LaAlO<sub>3</sub> : cubic to trigonal*

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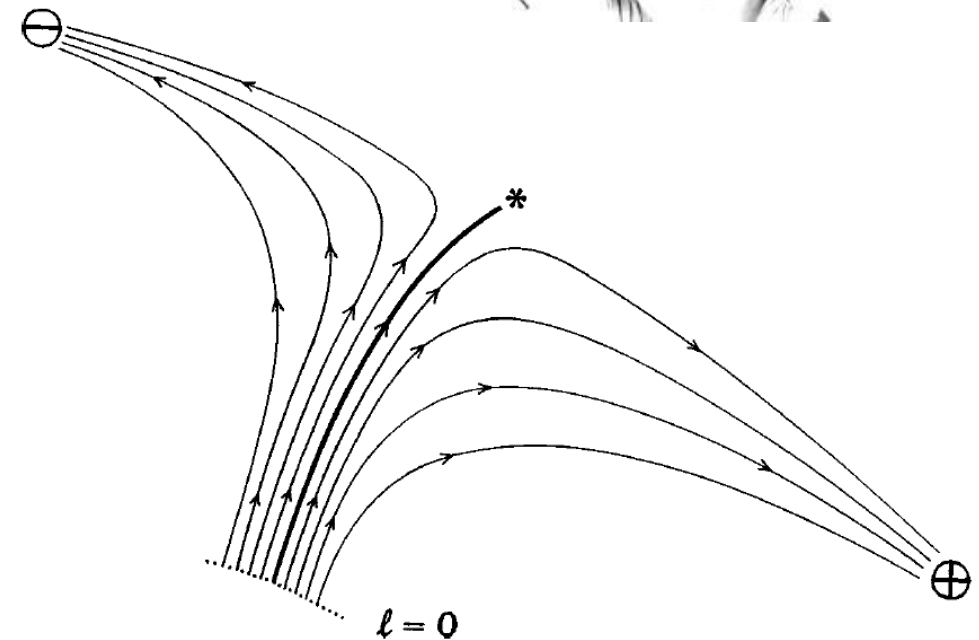


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Table 2. Examples of known tilt systems

Substance	Cation displacements	Observed space group	Space group of tilted framework alone
NaNbO <sub>3</sub> (S)	Na?	<i>Pnmm</i>	<i>Pnmm</i>
YAlO <sub>3</sub>	Y	<i>Pbnm</i>	<i>Pbnm</i>
SmAlO <sub>3</sub>	Sm	<i>Pbnm</i>	<i>Pbnm</i>
EuAlO <sub>3</sub> *	Eu?	<i>Pbnm</i>	<i>Pbnm</i>
GdAlO <sub>3</sub> *	Gd?		
DyAlO <sub>3</sub>	Dy	<i>Pbnm</i>	<i>Pbnm</i>
BaCeO <sub>3</sub>	Ba	<i>Pbnm</i>	<i>Pbnm</i>
YCrO <sub>3</sub>	Y	<i>Pbnm</i>	<i>Pbnm</i>
YFeO <sub>3</sub> , LaFeO <sub>3</sub> ,	Y, La,		
PrFeO <sub>3</sub> , NdFeO <sub>3</sub> ,	Pr, Nd,		
SmFeO <sub>3</sub> , EuFeO <sub>3</sub> ,	Sm, Eu,		
GdFeO <sub>3</sub>	Gd		
TbFeO <sub>3</sub> , DyFeO <sub>3</sub> ,	Tb, Dy		
HoFeO <sub>3</sub> , ErFeO <sub>3</sub> ,	Ho, Er		
TmFeO <sub>3</sub> , YbFeO <sub>3</sub> ,	Tm, Yb		
LuFeO <sub>3</sub>	Lu	<i>Pbnm</i>	<i>Pbnm</i>
NaMgF <sub>3</sub> (< 760°C)*			
YNiO <sub>3</sub> , SmNiO <sub>3</sub> ,	Y, Sm,	<i>Pbnm</i>	<i>Pbnm</i>
EuNiO <sub>3</sub> , GdNiO <sub>3</sub> ,	Eu, Gd,		
DyNiO <sub>3</sub> , HoNiO <sub>3</sub> ,	Dy, Ho,		
ErNiO <sub>3</sub> , TmNiO <sub>3</sub> ,	Er, Tm		
YbNiO <sub>3</sub> , LuNiO <sub>3</sub>	Yb, Lu		
BaPrO <sub>3</sub>	Ba	<i>Pbnm</i>	<i>Pbnm</i>
CaTiO <sub>3</sub>		<i>Pbnm</i>	<i>Pbnm</i>
CdTiO <sub>3</sub>	Cd, Ti	<i>Pbn2<sub>1</sub></i>	<i>Pbnm</i>
LaAlO <sub>3</sub>	La	<i>R3c</i>	<i>R3c</i>
PrAlO <sub>3</sub> (172–293 °K)		<i>R3c</i>	<i>R3c</i>
NdAlO <sub>3</sub>		<i>R3c</i>	<i>R3c</i>
LaCoO <sub>3</sub>		<i>R3c</i>	<i>R3c</i>
FeF <sub>3</sub> , CoF <sub>3</sub> ,	}	<i>R3c</i>	<i>R3c</i>
RuF <sub>3</sub> , RhF <sub>3</sub> ,			
PdF <sub>3</sub> , IrF <sub>3</sub>			
VF <sub>3</sub>			
BiFeO <sub>3</sub>	Bi, Fe	<i>R3c</i>	<i>R3c</i>
LiNbO <sub>3</sub>	Li, Nb	<i>R3c</i>	<i>R3c</i>
NaNbO <sub>3</sub> (N)	Na, Nb	<i>R3c</i>	<i>R3c</i>
LiTaO <sub>3</sub>	Li, Ta	<i>R3c</i>	<i>R3c</i>
BaTbO <sub>3</sub>		<i>R3c</i>	<i>R3c</i>
PbZr <sub>0.9</sub> Ti <sub>0.1</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Pb, (Zr, Ti)	<i>R3c</i>	<i>R3c</i>

## Minerology:

### Perovskite (CaTiO<sub>3</sub>)

lueshite (NaNbO<sub>3</sub>),  
 tausonite (SrTiO<sub>3</sub>),  
 macedonite (PbTiO<sub>3</sub>),  
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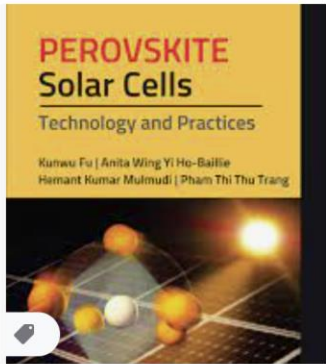
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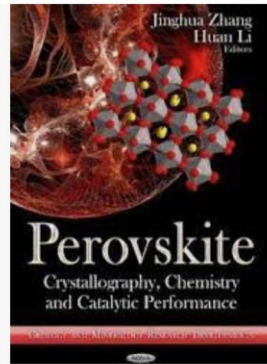
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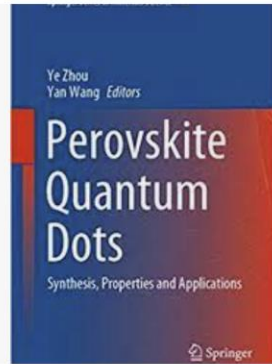
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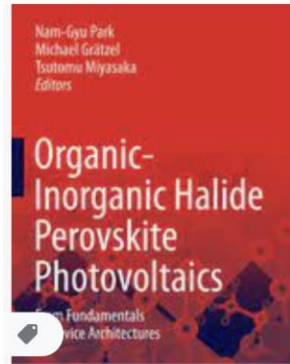
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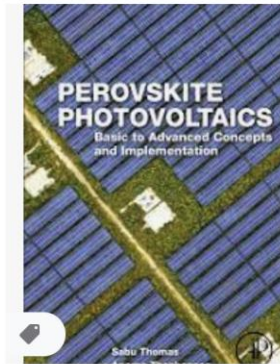
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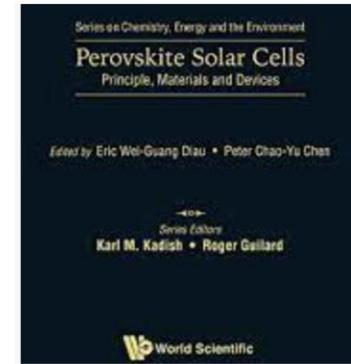
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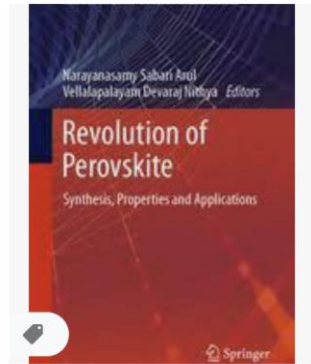
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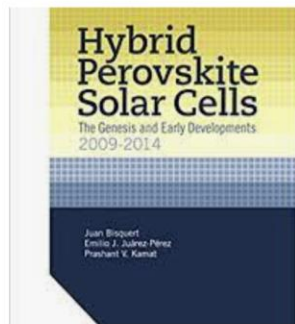
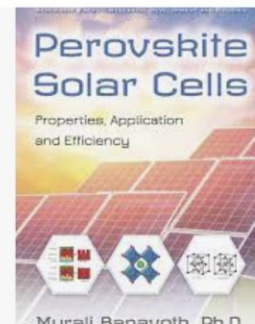
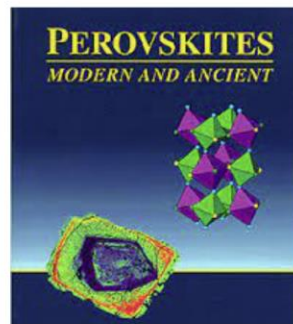
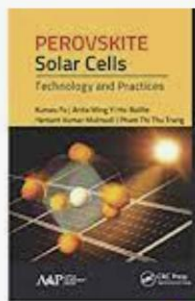
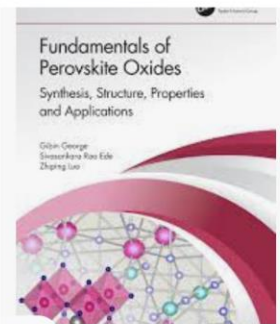
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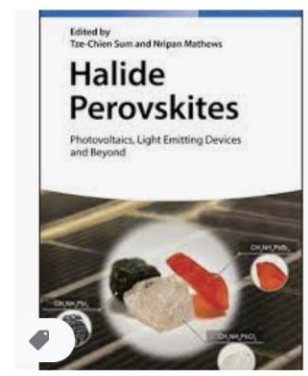
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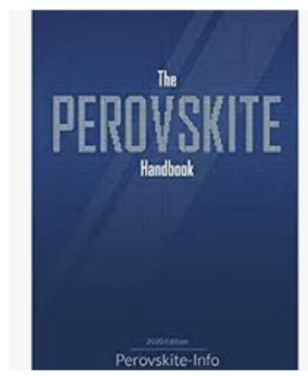




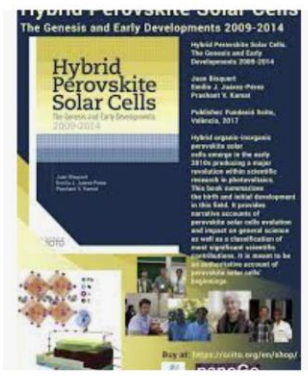
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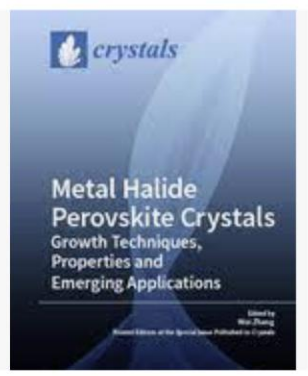
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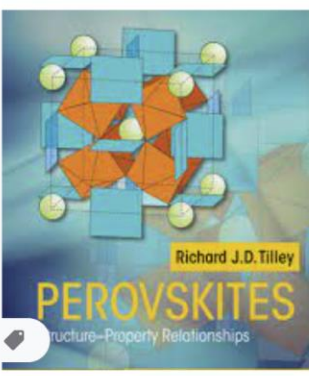
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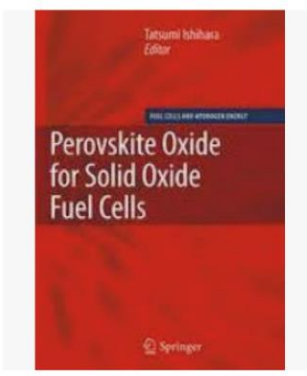
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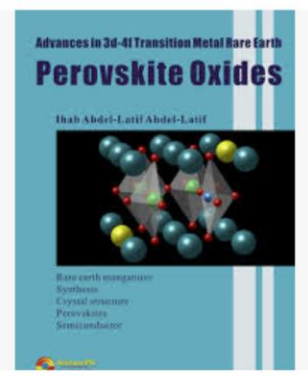
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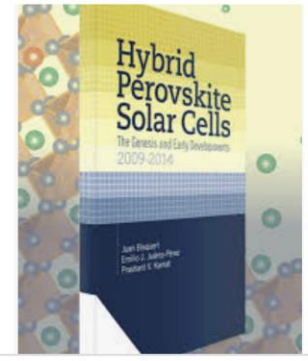
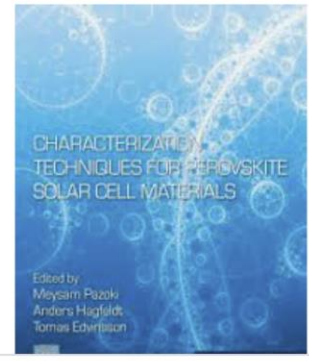
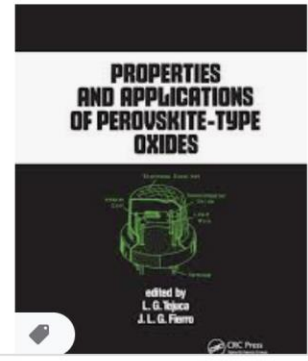
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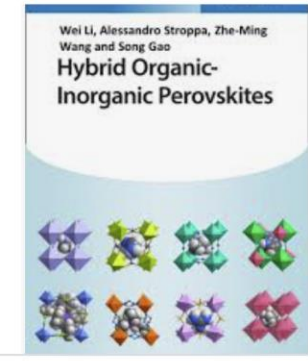
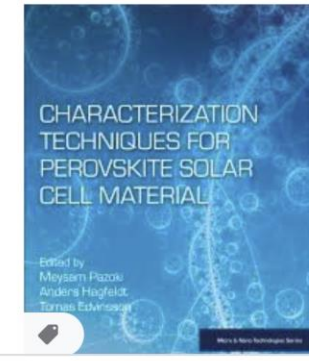


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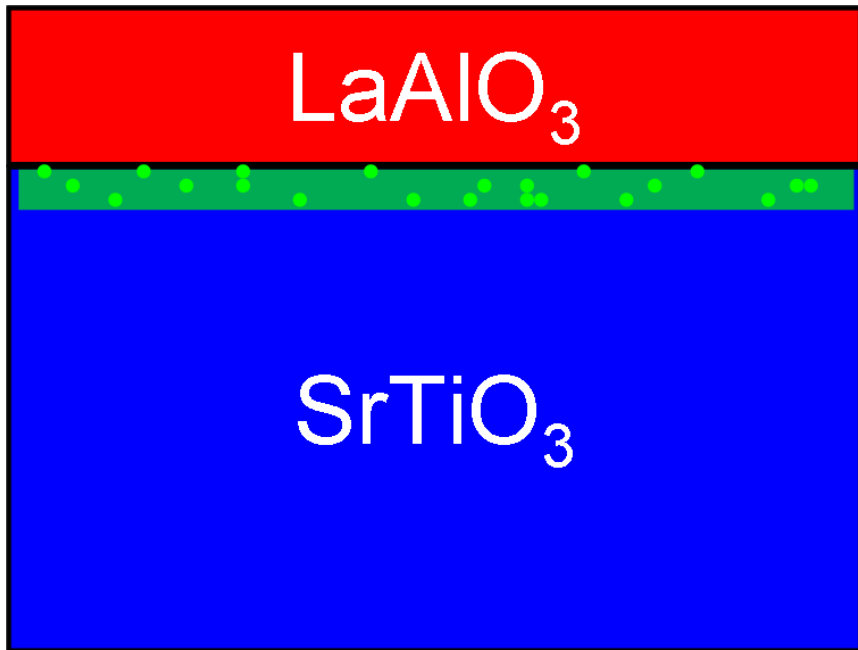


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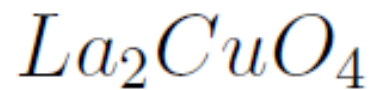
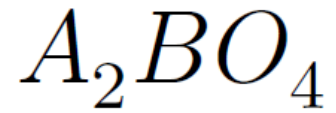
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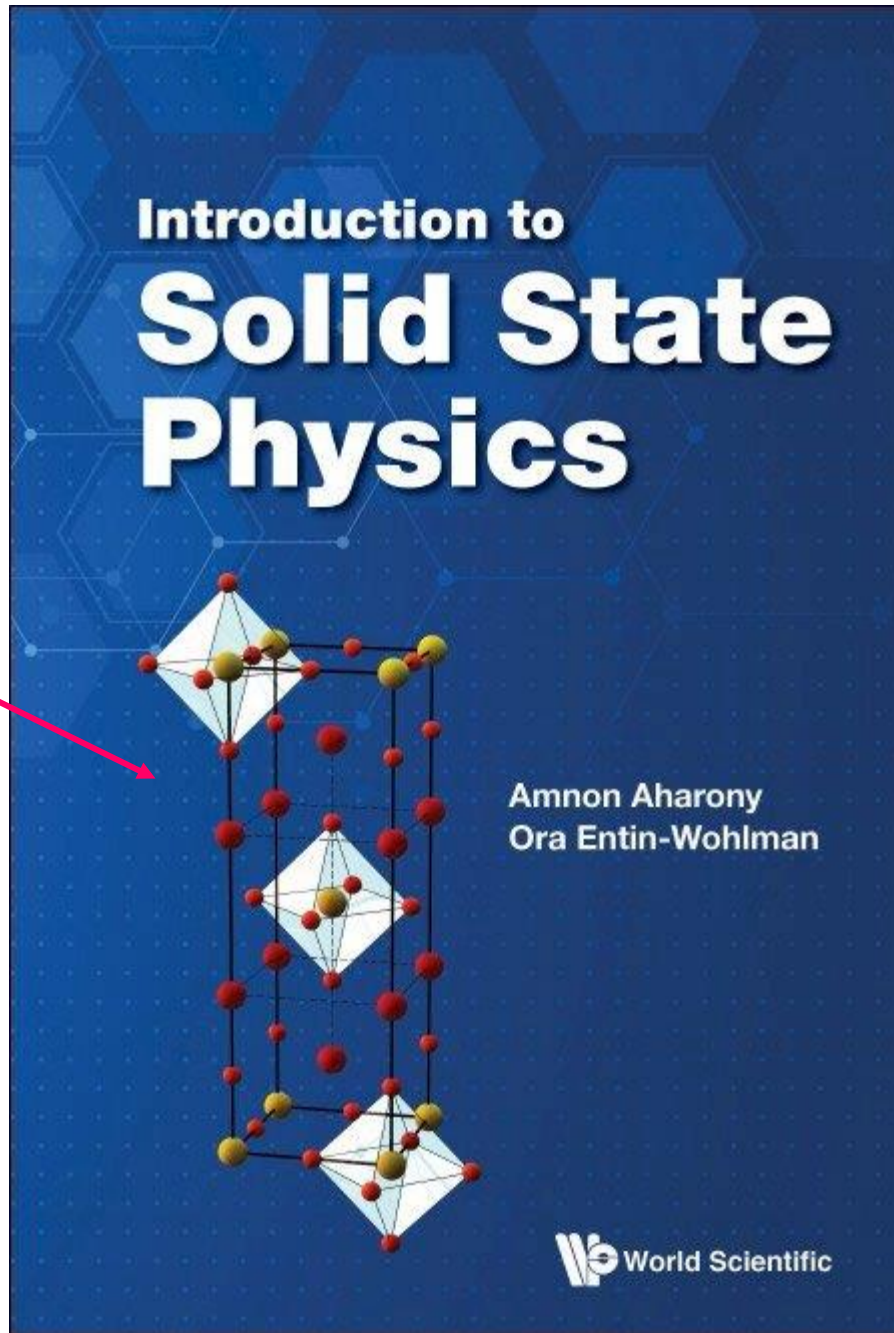
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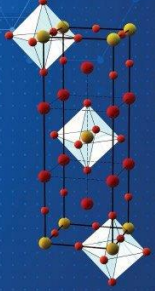
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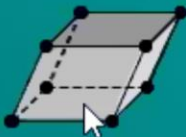
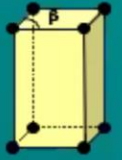
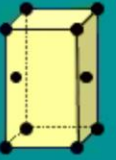
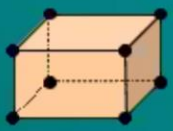
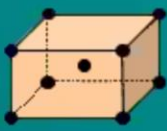
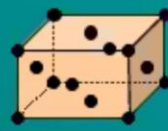
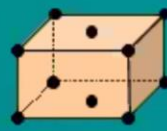
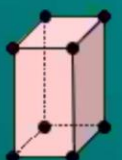
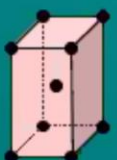

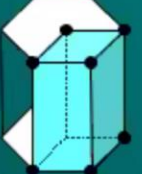
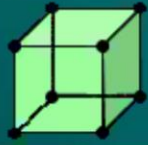
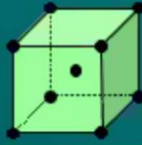
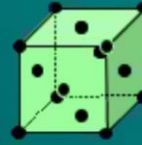
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<p>Hexagonal lattice</p> <p><math>a_1 = a_2 \neq a_3</math> <math>\alpha = \beta = 90^\circ</math> <math>\gamma = 120^\circ</math></p>			<p><u>Trigonal</u> lattice</p> <p><math>a_1 = a_2 = a_3</math> <math>\alpha = \beta = \gamma \neq 90^\circ</math></p>	
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# Bravais lattices

	P	I	F	C	
<b>Triclinic</b> $a \neq b \neq c$ $\alpha \neq \beta \neq \gamma$					$\bar{1}$
<b>Monoclinic</b> $a \neq b \neq c$ $\alpha = \gamma = 90^\circ; \beta$					$2/m$
<b>Orthorhombic</b> $a \neq b \neq c$ $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$					$2/mmm$
<b>Tetragonal</b> $a = b \neq c$ $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$					$4/mmm$
<b>Rhomboedric</b> $a = b = c$ $\alpha = \beta = \gamma$					$\bar{3}m$
<b>Hexagonal</b> $a = b \neq c$ $\alpha = \beta = 90^\circ; \gamma = 120^\circ$					$6/mmm$
<b>Cubic</b> $a = b = c$ $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$					$m\bar{3}m$

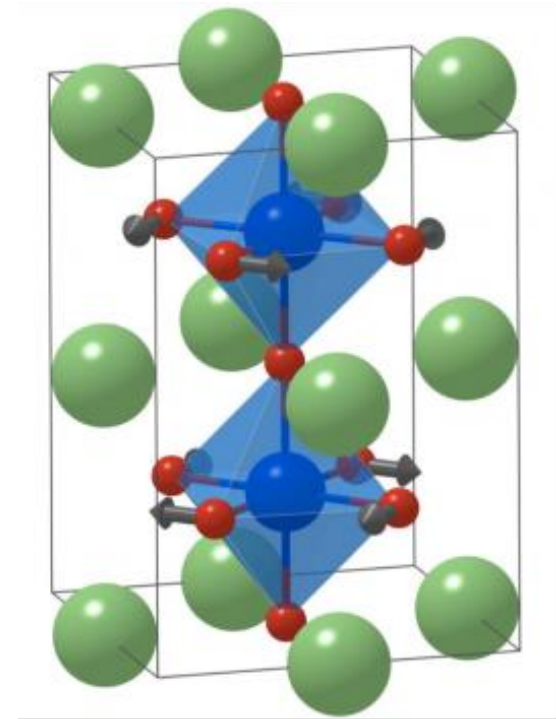
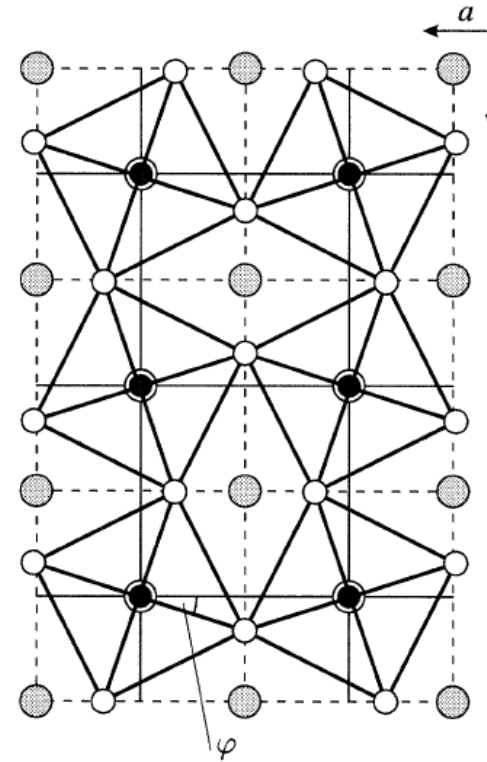
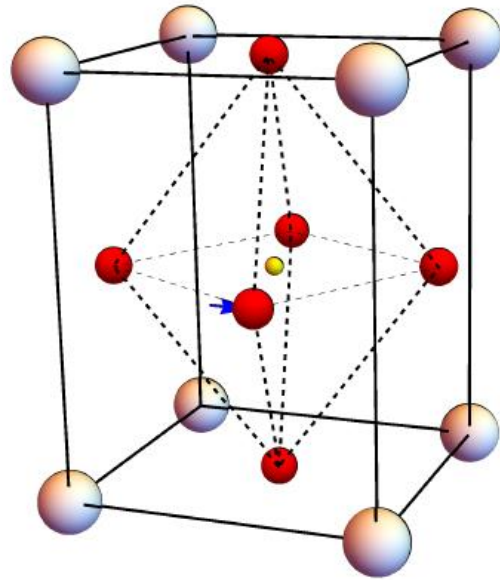
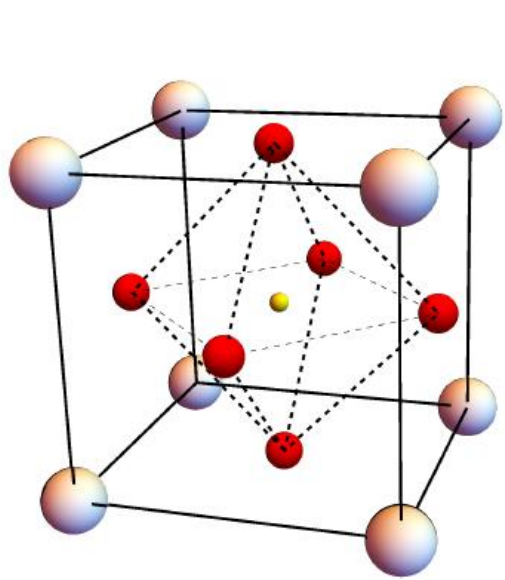


Sylvain Ravy

- **In 3D**
  - 7 systems (symmetry)
  - 14 lattice modes

# *SrTiO<sub>3</sub> : cubic to tetragonal*

Also RbCaF<sub>3</sub>

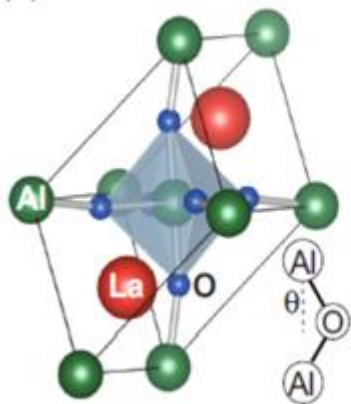


Octahedra rotate – move Sr towards vertical axis – tetragonal

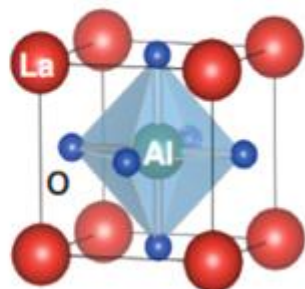
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# *LaAlO<sub>3</sub> : cubic to trigonal*

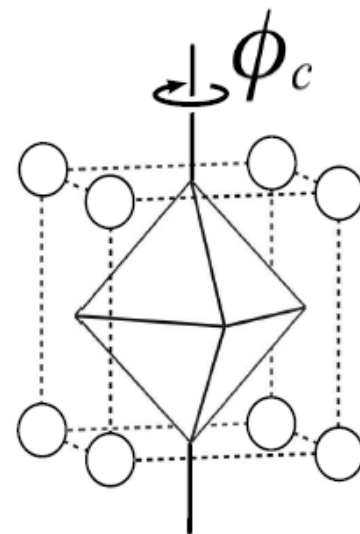
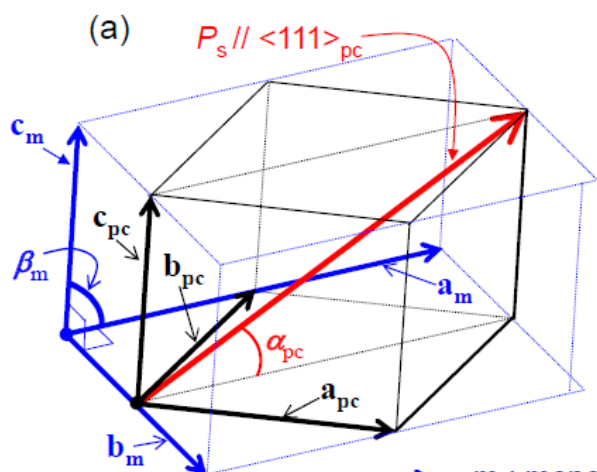
(a) r-LAO



(b) c-LAO

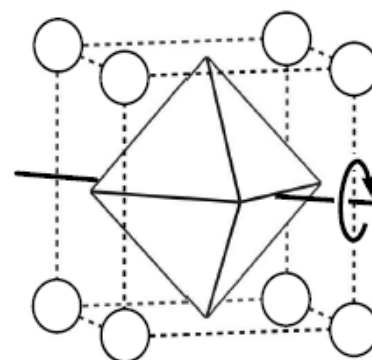


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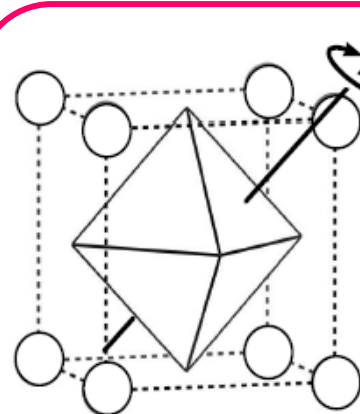
*SrTiO<sub>3</sub> : cubic to tetragonal*

**I4/mcm**



**Imma**

$\phi_{ab}$



**C2/c**

*LaAlO<sub>3</sub> : cubic to trigonal*

## Interaction of Elastic Strain with the Structural Transition of Strontium Titanate\*

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## Landau theory

Order parameter – vector of rotation  $\mathbf{Q}$        $\mathbf{Q}$  has  $n=3=d$  components

$$\begin{aligned}
 G = G_0 &+ \frac{1}{2}a(T - T_C)\mathbf{Q}^2 + (\mathbf{Q}^2)^2 + \underline{v(Q_1^4 + Q_2^4 + Q_3^4)} + e_1(\eta_1 + \eta_2 + \eta_3)\mathbf{Q}^2 \\
 &+ e_2[\eta_1(2Q_1^2 - Q_2^2 - Q_3^2) + \eta_2(2Q_2^2 - Q_1^2 - Q_3^2) + \eta_3(2Q_3^2 - Q_1^2 - Q_2^2)] \\
 &+ e_3(Q_1Q_2\eta_6 + Q_1Q_3\eta_5 + Q_2Q_3\eta_4) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha\beta} C_{\alpha\beta}\eta_\alpha\eta_\beta,
 \end{aligned}$$

Elastic strains

$v > 0 \Rightarrow$  order along [111], trigonal.

$$u + v/3 > 0$$

$v < 0 \Rightarrow$  order along [001], tetragonal.

$$u + v > 0$$


$$|\mathbf{Q}|^2 = 0 \text{ for } T > T_c, \quad |\mathbf{Q}|^2 \propto (T_c - T), \quad T < T_c$$



Soft mode

$$G = G_0 + \frac{1}{2}a(T - T_C)Q^2 + u(Q^2)^2 + v(Q_1^4 + Q_2^4 + Q_3^4) + e_1(\eta_1 + \eta_2 + \eta_3)Q^2 \\ + e_2[\eta_1(2Q_1^2 - Q_2^2 - Q_3^2) + \eta_2(2Q_2^2 - Q_1^2 - Q_3^2) + \eta_3(2Q_3^2 - Q_1^2 - Q_2^2)] \\ + e_3(Q_1Q_2\eta_6 + Q_1Q_3\eta_5 + Q_2Q_3\eta_4) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha\beta} C_{\alpha\beta}\eta_\alpha\eta_\beta,$$

Can minimize over the eta's, obtain a "renormalized" energy for the Q's


$$G = \overline{G}_0 + \frac{1}{2}\overline{a}(T - T_C)Q^2 + \overline{u}(Q^2)^2 + \overline{v}(Q_1^4 + Q_2^4 + Q_3^4)$$

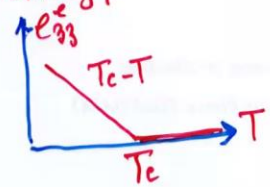
$$F(T, P, \mu_3, e_{33}) = a_0(T, P) + a_{02}(T - T_c) \mu_3^2 + a_4 \mu_3^4 + \delta e_{33} \mu_3^2 + \frac{C_{33}}{2} e_{33}^2$$

Coupling between  $e_{33}$  and OP

Elastic energy

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial e_{33}} = \delta \mu_3^2 + C_{33} e_{33} = 0$$

$$e_{33}^e = -\frac{\delta}{C_{33}} \mu_3^2 = -\frac{\delta a_{02}(T - T_c)}{2 a_4 C_{33}}$$



$$F(T, P, \mu_3) = a_0(T, P) + a_{02}(T - T_c) \mu_3^2 + \left(a_4 - \frac{\delta^2}{2 C_{33}}\right) \mu_3^4$$

$\Rightarrow e_{33}$  renormalizes  $a_4$  coefficient  $\Rightarrow$  change of limit of stability of the phase  
 (2<sup>nd</sup> order  $\rightarrow$  1<sup>st</sup> order) ( $a_4 < 0$ )

Elastic susceptibility  $\chi_{e_{33}} = \lim_{\sigma_{33} \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial e_{33}}{\partial \sigma_{33}}$

$$G = F - \sigma_{33} e_{33} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{\partial G}{\partial e_{33}} = \delta \mu_3^2 + C_{33} e_{33} - \sigma_{33} = 0 \\ \frac{\partial G}{\partial \mu_3} [a_{02}(T - T_c) + 2 a_4 \mu_3^2 + \delta e_{33}] = 0 \end{cases}$$

Second minimization with respect to  $\sigma_{33}$ :

$$\Rightarrow T \geq T_c (\mu_3 = 0) \Rightarrow \chi_{e_{33}}^0 = \frac{1}{C_{33}} = S_{33}^0$$

$$T < T_c (\mu_3 \neq 0) \Rightarrow \chi_{e_{33}} = \frac{1}{C_{33} - \frac{\delta^2}{2 a_4}}$$



Nodivergence at  $T_c$  but small anomaly

$\Rightarrow$  Secondary OP can be distinguished by critical anomalies (Also by domain pattern)

Pierre Toledano

## Experiments:

- **X-ray and neutron scattering** give lattice structure

- In ordered phase, rotation generates **strain**:

$$e_1(\eta_1 + \eta_2 + \eta_3)Q^2 \quad e_2[\eta_1(2Q_1^2 - Q_2^2 - Q_3^2) ]$$

- **EPR spectra** (below)
- **Specific heat, ...**

# Static Critical Exponents at Structural Phase Transitions

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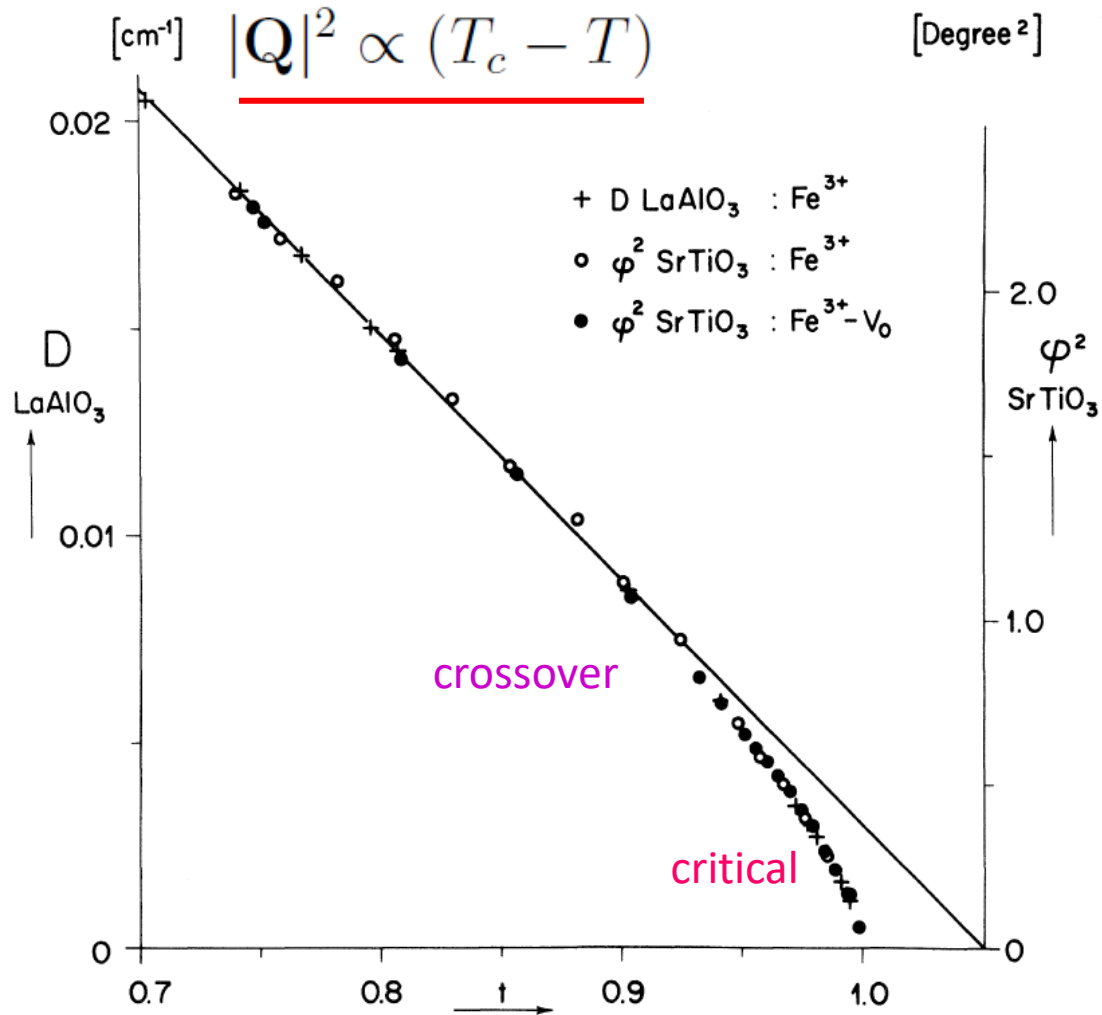
(Received 27 October 1970)

The temperature dependence of the rotational displacement parameters below the second-order phase transitions in  $\text{SrTiO}_3$  and  $\text{LaAlO}_3$  at  $T_a = 105.5$  and  $797^\circ\text{K}$  is described by an exponent  $\beta = 0.33 \pm 0.02$  down to  $t = T/T_a = 0.95$ . For smaller  $t$ 's there occurs a change to Landau behavior approximately followed between  $t = 0.9$  and  $0.7$ . The observation of static critical exponents near displacive phase transitions confirms now the notion of universality in this field.

*$\text{Fe}^{3+}$  replaces  $\text{Al}^{3+}$ , EPR line shifts with rotation angle*

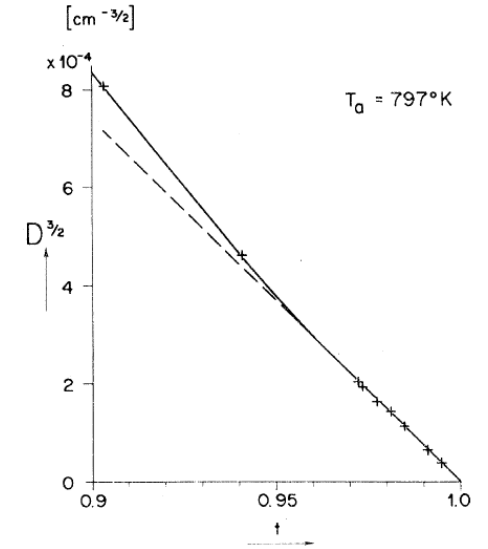
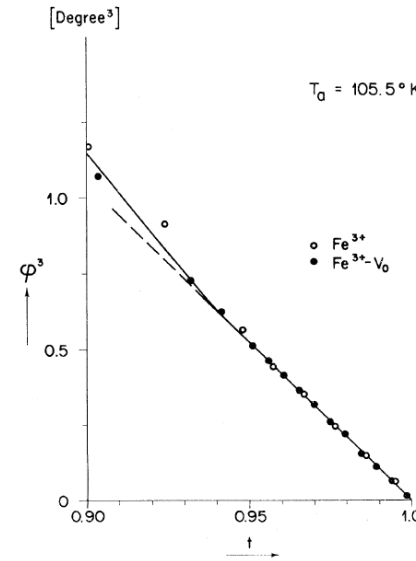


MFT



$T_c$  is lowered, power law changes

$\varphi \propto \epsilon^\beta$ ,  $\epsilon = (T_a - T)/T_a$



$\beta = 0.33 \pm 0.02$

Which universality class is this??

# Critical phenomena

Reduced Temperature,  $t$

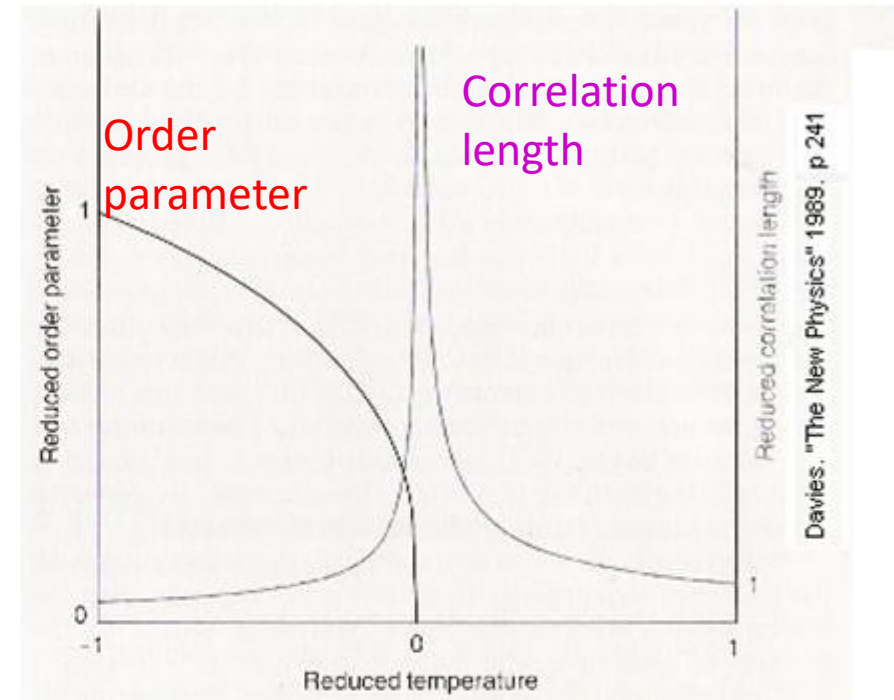
$$t \equiv \frac{T - T_C}{T_C}$$

Specific heat  $C \propto |t|^{-\alpha}$

Magnetization  $M \propto |t|^\beta$

Magnetic susceptibility  $\chi \propto |t|^{-\gamma}$

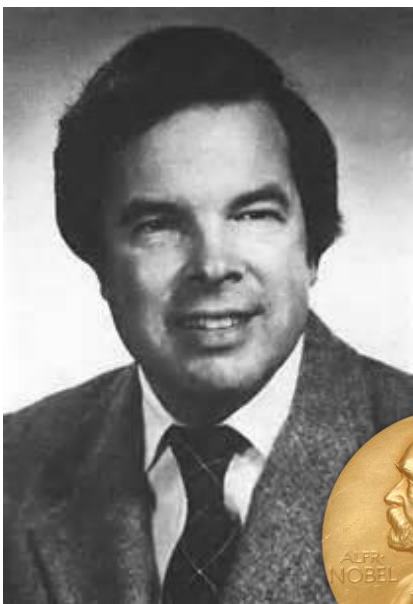
Correlation length  $\xi \propto |t|^{-\nu}$



Critical behavior of the order parameter and the correlation length. The order parameter vanishes with the power  $\beta$  of the reduced temperature  $t$  as the critical point is approached along the line of phase coexistence. The correlation length diverges with the power  $\nu$  of the reduced temperature.



Need introduction to RG



I arrived at Cornell in July 1972,  
Took the RG course from Wilson.  
Also there: Pfeuty, Bruce, Kosterlitz, Nelson



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# The renormalization group and the $\epsilon$ expansion ☆

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## Critical Exponents in 3.99 Dimensions\*

PRL 28, 240 (1972)

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Critical exponents are calculated for dimension  $d=4-\epsilon$  with  $\epsilon$  small, using renormalization-group techniques. To order  $\epsilon$  the exponent  $\gamma$  is  $1+\frac{1}{6}\epsilon$  for an Ising-like model and  $1+\frac{1}{5}\epsilon$  for an  $XY$  model.

RG

A. Aharony, *Dependence of universal critical behavior on symmetry and range of interaction* in **Phase Transitions and Critical Phenomena**, C. Domb and M. S. Green, eds., Vol. 6 (Academic Press, NY, 1976), p. 357

Partition function:  $Z = \exp[-F/(k_B T)]$ ,  $Z = \int_{\mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{x})} \left( \prod_{\mathbf{x}} d^n \mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{x}) \right) \exp [\bar{\mathcal{H}}\{\mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{x})\}]$

Local Hamiltonian includes gradients,  $\bar{\mathcal{H}} = \int d^n \mathbf{x} [ -\frac{1}{2} (\nabla \mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{x}) \cdot \nabla \mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{x})) - G[\mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{x})] ] / (k_B T)$

Landau-Ginzburg

Fourier transform:  $\mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{q}) = C \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \exp[i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{x}] \mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{x})$ ,  $\mathbf{q}$  in 1st Brillouin zone (BZ),  $|q_\alpha| < \pi/a$

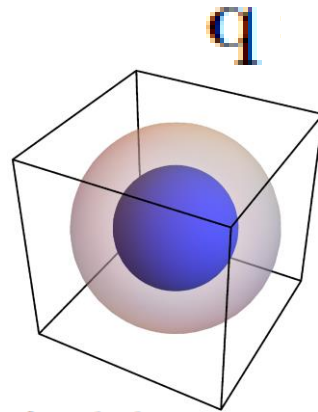
Approximate BZ by a sphere,  $|\mathbf{q}| < \Lambda$

$$\bar{\mathcal{H}} = -\frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbf{q}} (r + q^2) \sum_{\alpha} S_{\mathbf{q}}^{\alpha} \cdot S_{-\mathbf{q}}^{\alpha} - \sum_{\alpha\beta} (u + v \delta_{\alpha\beta})$$

$\mathbf{Q} \leftrightarrow \mathbf{s}$

$\mathbf{q}$  near  $(\pi, \pi, \pi)$

$$\times \int_{\mathbf{q}} \int_{\mathbf{q}'} \int_{\mathbf{q}''} S_{\mathbf{q}}^{\alpha} S_{\mathbf{q}'}^{\alpha} S_{\mathbf{q}''}^{\beta} S_{-\mathbf{q}-\mathbf{q}'-\mathbf{q}''}^{\beta},$$



**Renormalization group**: integrate in Z over short length scales  $\Lambda/b < |\mathbf{q}| < \Lambda$

Then rescale length,  $\mathbf{q} \Rightarrow \mathbf{q}' = b\mathbf{q}$  and order-parameter scale,  $\mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{q}) \Rightarrow \mathbf{Q}'(b\mathbf{q}) = \mathbf{Q}'(\mathbf{q}') = \zeta^{-1} \mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{q})$

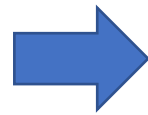


$$\bar{\mathcal{H}}\{\mathbf{Q}'(\mathbf{q}')\} \equiv \bar{\mathcal{H}}_1\{\mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{q})\}$$

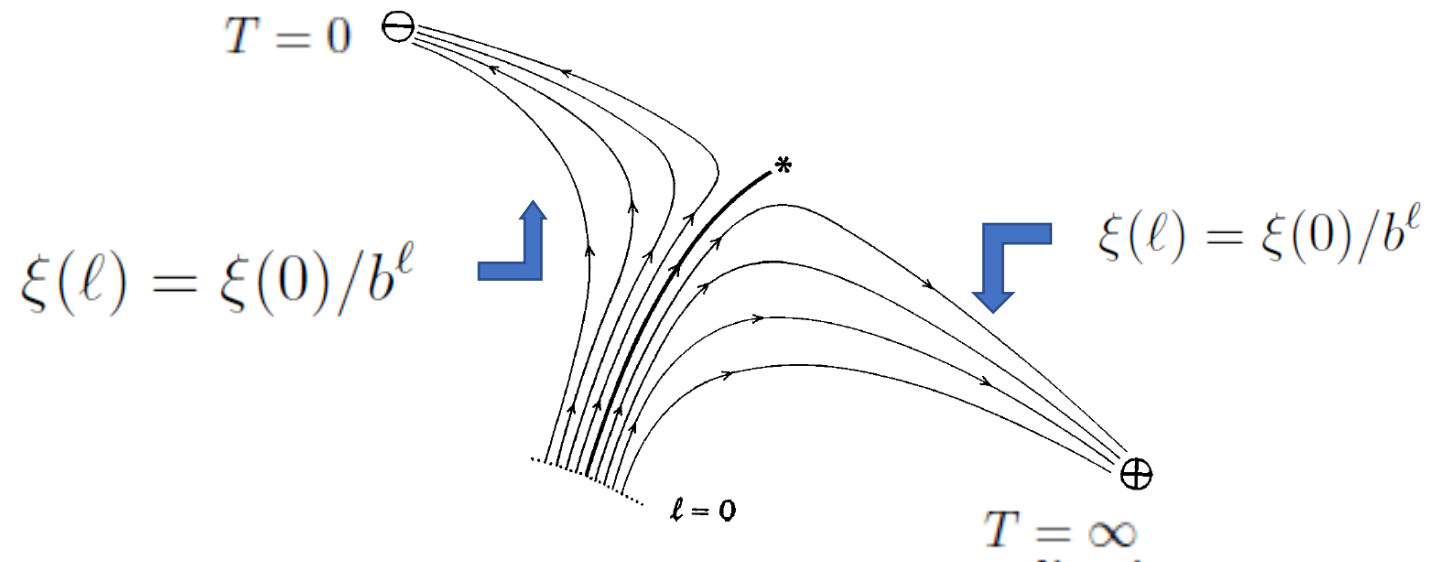
New Hamiltonian similar to previous one, but may contain new terms

Under renormalization step,  $x \Rightarrow x/b$ ,  $q \Rightarrow bq$ ,  $\xi \Rightarrow \xi/b$

At fixed point,  $\xi = \infty$  (or 0).



Critical point flows to the Fixed point!





$$\bar{\mathcal{H}}_1 \equiv \mathbb{R}\bar{\mathcal{H}}, \quad \dots \quad \bar{\mathcal{H}}_\ell \equiv \mathbb{R}^\ell \bar{\mathcal{H}}$$

Search for fixed points,

$$\bar{\mathcal{H}}^* \equiv \mathbb{R}\bar{\mathcal{H}}^*$$

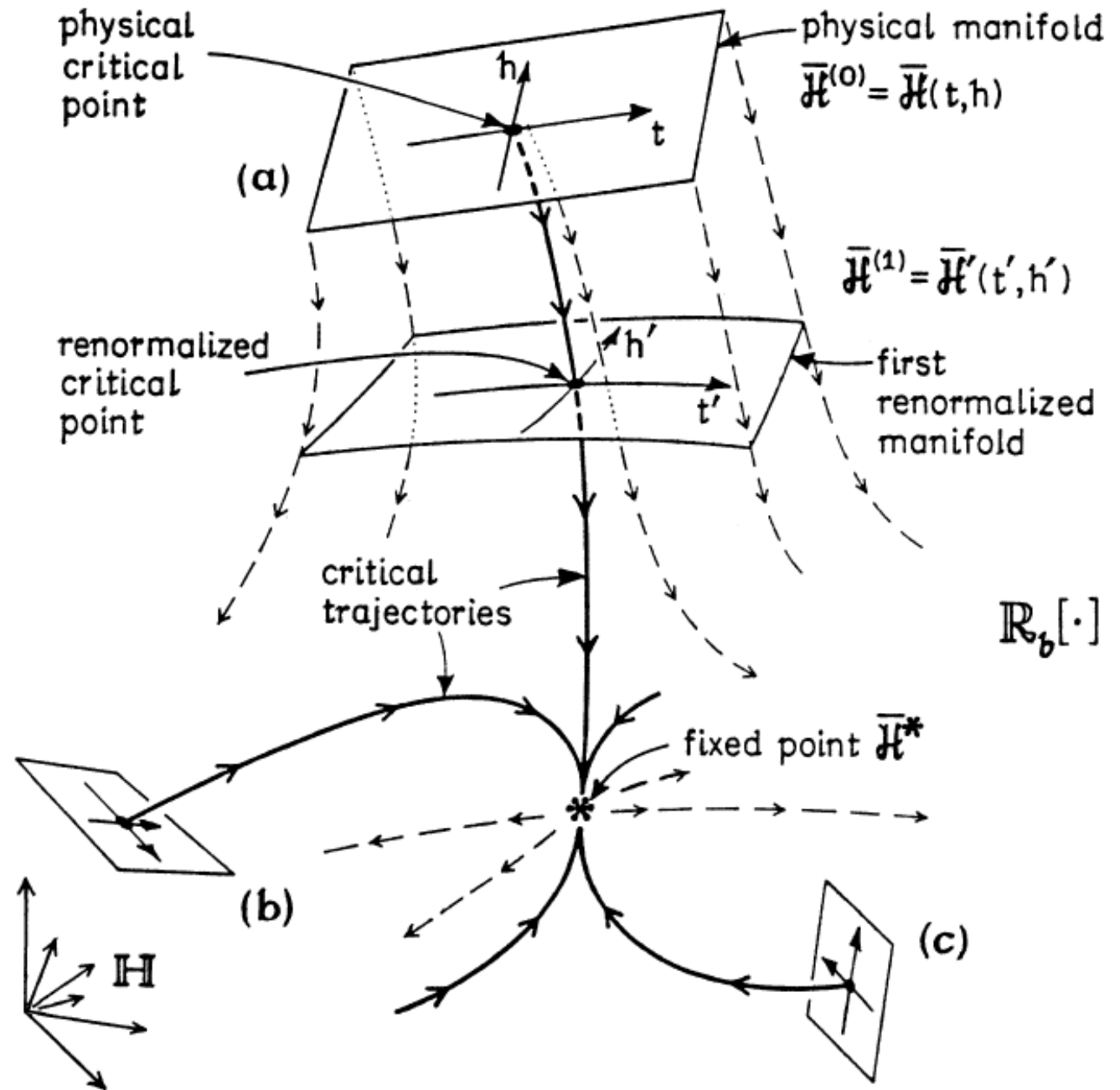
If  $\xi(0) < \infty$ , iterate

until  $\ell = \ell^*$ , where

$$\xi(\ell^*) = \xi(0)/b^{\ell^*} \sim 1$$

then solve Landau theory

with renormalized parameters



Near fixed point,  $\bar{\mathcal{H}} = \bar{\mathcal{H}}^* + \sum_i \mu_i \mathcal{O}_i +$  higher order in the  $\mu$ 's

➔  $\bar{\mathcal{H}}' = \bar{\mathcal{H}}^* + \sum_i [\mu_i]' \mathcal{O}_i +$  higher order in the  $\mu$ 's

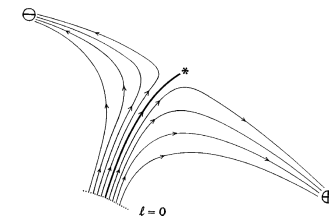
Linearize, diagonalize the matrix of derivatives,

$$[\mu_i]' = \left. \frac{\partial \bar{\mathcal{H}}'}{\partial \mu_i} \right|_* \equiv b^{\lambda_i} \mu_i$$

$\mathcal{O}_i$  are **scaling operators**, and the couplings  $\mu_i$  depend on original Hamiltonian parameters

Singular part of the **free energy density**:

$$f(\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3, \dots) = b^{-\ell d} f(b^{\ell \lambda_1} \mu_1, b^{\ell \lambda_2} \mu_2, b^{\ell \lambda_3} \mu_3, \dots)$$



Scaling, Homogeneous functions – Widom, Kadanoff

$$f(\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3, \dots) = b^{-\ell d} f(b^{\ell \lambda_1} \mu_1, b^{\ell \lambda_2} \mu_2, b^{\ell \lambda_3} \mu_3, \dots)$$

$\lambda_i > 0 \Rightarrow \mathcal{O}_i$  is **relevant**       $\lambda_i < 0 \Rightarrow \mathcal{O}_i$  is **irrelevant**

$\lambda_i = 0 \Rightarrow \mathcal{O}_i$  is **marginal**      --- Log corrections

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$$\mu_1 = t \propto (T - T_c) \qquad \xi(0) \approx \xi_0 |t|^{-\nu} = \xi(\ell) / b^\ell$$

$$b^\ell \propto \xi(0) / \xi(\ell) = \xi(0) \approx \xi_0 |t|^{-\nu} \qquad b^{\ell \lambda_1} (T - T_c) = (T - T_c)^{1 - \nu \lambda_1} \qquad \lambda_1 = 1/\nu$$

$$f(\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3, \dots) = |t|^{d\nu} \tilde{f}(\mu_2 |t|^{-\phi_2}, \mu_3 |t|^{-\phi_3}, \dots) \qquad \phi_\ell = \nu \lambda_\ell$$

$$\mu_2 = H \quad \text{Ordering field} \quad \phi_2 = \Delta = \beta + \gamma > 0 \Rightarrow H \text{ is relevant}$$

If there are no other relevant operators then the fixed point represents a **regular critical point**,

$$f(t, H, \mu_3, \dots) = |t|^{d\nu} \tilde{f}(H/t^\Delta, \mu_3 |t|^{-\phi_3}, \dots) \approx |t|^{d\nu} \tilde{f}_0(H/t^\Delta) [1 + a_1 \mu_3 |t|^\omega + \dots]$$

Irrelevant



**Correction to scaling**

$$Q(H=0) = -\partial f / \partial H \propto |t|^{d\nu - \Delta} f' \propto |t|^\beta [1 + a_Q |t|^\omega + \dots] \quad \omega = -\phi_3 = -\lambda_3 \nu > 0$$

$$\beta = d\nu - \Delta = 2 - \alpha - (\beta - \gamma) = 2\beta + \gamma - (\beta + \gamma) \quad \leftarrow \text{Scaling relations among exponents}$$

$$\chi = \partial Q / \partial H \propto |t|^{-\gamma} [1 + a_\chi |t|^\omega + \dots]$$

$$\beta_{\text{eff}} = \frac{\partial \log Q}{\partial \log |t|} = \beta + \omega a_Q |t|^\omega$$

effective exponents



If there is another relevant operator



**multicritical point**



**crossover** to another behavior

$$f(t, H, \mu_3, \dots) = |t|^{d\nu} \tilde{f}(H/t^\Delta, \mu_3|t|^{-\phi_3}, \dots)$$

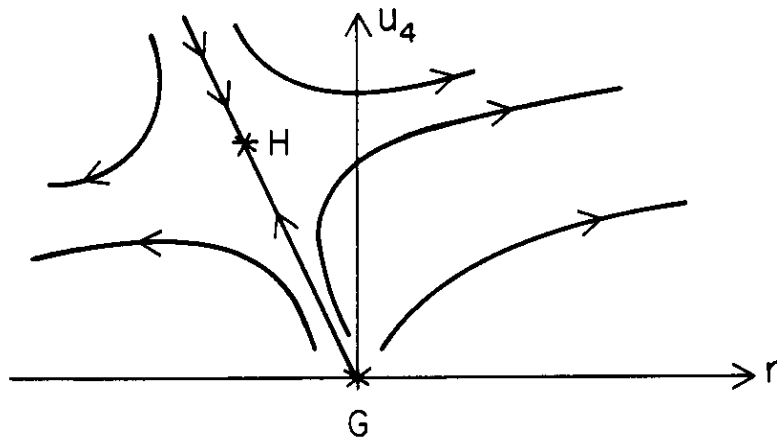
relevant

Example: Isotropic Heisenberg model

$$\bar{\mathcal{H}} \equiv -\frac{\mathcal{H}}{k_B T} = - \int d\vec{R} \left[ \frac{1}{2} (\vec{\nabla} \vec{S})^2 + \frac{1}{2} r |\vec{S}|^2 + u |\vec{S}|^4 - \vec{h} \cdot \vec{S} \right]$$



$$u = -Ar$$



$$u > Ar \Rightarrow r \text{ increases, } T \rightarrow \infty$$

$$u < Ar \Rightarrow u \text{ becomes negative and large}$$



**first order transition**

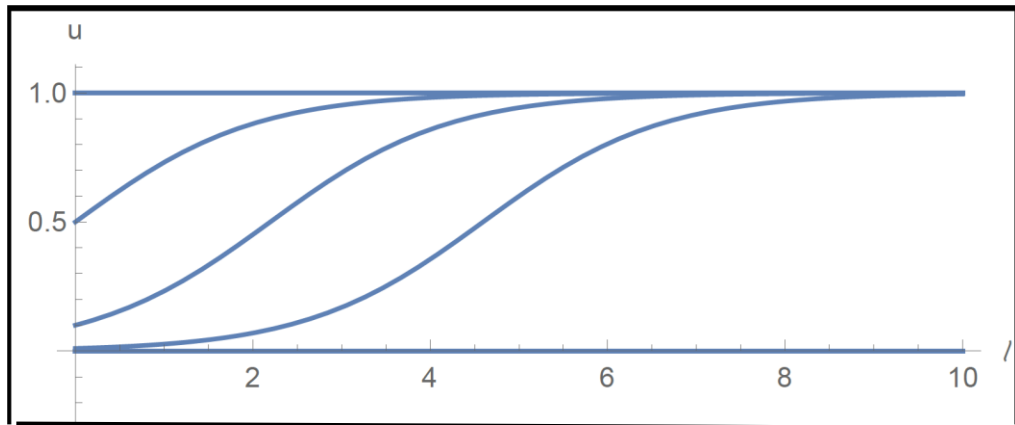
Gaussian fixed point represents a **tricritical point**

## Crossover from Gaussian to Heisenberg

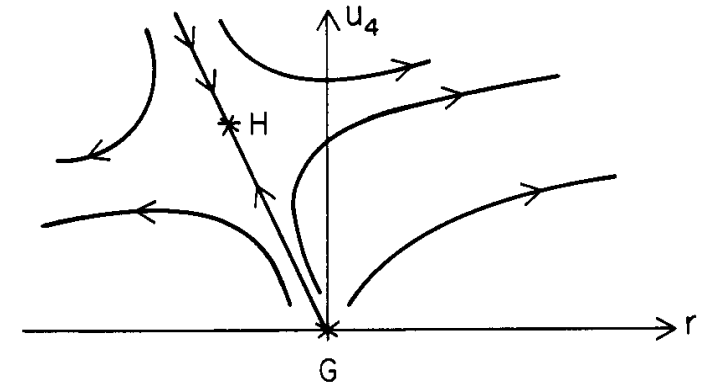
$$dr/dl = 2r + A(r)u + O(u^2)$$

$$du/dl = \epsilon u - B(r)u^2 + O(u^3)$$

$$u_l = e^{\epsilon l} / \left[ (1/u_0) + B(e^{\epsilon l} - 1) / \epsilon \right]$$



$$u = -Ar$$



$$F(t, u, v) = -\frac{nt^2}{16u(4-n)} \left[ R^{(4-n)/(n+8)} - 1 \right]$$

$$+ \min \left( \frac{1}{2} t_R M^2 + u_R M^4 \right)$$

$$R = 1 + (n+8)u(e^{\epsilon t^*} - 1)2\pi^2\epsilon$$

$$t_R = tR^{-(n+2)/(n+8)}, \quad u_R = u/R$$

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### Equations of state and renormalization-group recursion relations

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$$f(t, H, \mu_3, \dots) = |t|^{d\nu} \tilde{f}(H/t^\Delta, \mu_3 |t|^{-\phi_3}, \dots)$$

Scaling function comes from fixed point – independent of initial Hamiltonian – **UNIVERSAL**

Also implies **UNIVERSAL AMPLITUDE RATIOS**, equation of state, correlation functions

V. Privman, P. C. Hohenberg, and A. Aharony  
*Universal critical-point amplitude relations*  
in **Phase Transitions and Critical Phenomena**,  
C. Domb and J. L. Lebowitz, eds., Vol. 14  
(Academic, NY, 1991), pp. 1-134, 364-367

$$\xi_+ = \xi_0 t^{-\nu} \quad (t > 0, H = 0)$$

$$C_+^s = (A/\alpha) t^{-\alpha} \quad (H = 0, t > 0)$$

$$R_\xi^+ = A^{1/d} \xi_0 \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad d\nu = 2 - \alpha$$

$$(R_\xi^+)^d = \frac{1}{4} n K_d \left[ 1 + \epsilon \left( 1 - \frac{9}{n+8} \right) + O(\epsilon^2) \right]$$

$$C_-^s = (A'/\alpha') |t|^{-\alpha'} \quad (H = 0, t < 0)$$

$$A/A' = 2^{\alpha-2} (1 + \epsilon) n + O(\epsilon^2)$$

## Also finite size scaling


$$L \rightarrow L/b^\ell \quad \longrightarrow \quad L(\ell) = 1 \quad \longrightarrow \quad b^\ell = L$$

$$f(\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3, \dots) = L^{-d} \tilde{f}(\mu_1 L^{\lambda_1}, \mu_2 L^{\lambda_2}, \mu_3 L^{\lambda_3}, \dots)$$

## Critical Behavior of Anisotropic Cubic Systems

Amnon Aharony

Wilson-Fisher  
Renormalization Group



$$\bar{\mathcal{H}} = -\frac{1}{2} \int_{\vec{q}} (r + q^2) \sum_{\alpha} S_{\vec{q}}^{\alpha} \cdot S_{-\vec{q}}^{\alpha} - \sum_{\alpha\beta} (u + v\delta_{\alpha\beta})$$

$$\times \int_{\vec{q}} \int_{\vec{q}'} \int_{\vec{q}''} S_{\vec{q}}^{\alpha} S_{\vec{q}'}^{\alpha} S_{\vec{q}''}^{\beta} S_{-\vec{q}-\vec{q}''}^{\beta} S_{-\vec{q}-\vec{q}'}^{\beta},$$

$$u' = b^{\epsilon-2\eta} \left\{ u - 4K_d \ln b (1 + \frac{1}{2}\epsilon \ln b) [(n+8)u^2 + 6uv] + 16K_d^2 \ln^2 b [(n^2 + 6n + 20)u^3 + 9(n+4)u^2v + 27uv^2] \right. \\ \left. + 32K_d^2 \ln b (1 + \ln b) [(5n+22)u^3 + 36u^2v + 9uv^2] \right\},$$

$$v' = b^{\epsilon-2\eta} \left\{ v - 4K_d \ln b (1 + \frac{1}{2}\epsilon \ln b) (12uv + 9v^2) + 16K_d^2 \ln^2 b (36u^2v + 54uv^2 + 27v^3) \right. \\ \left. + 32K_d^2 \ln b (1 + \ln b) [3(n+14)u^2v + 72uv^2 + 27v^3] \right\},$$



Gaussian:

$$u^G = v^G = 0;$$

Ising:

$$u^I = 0, \quad v^I = \frac{\epsilon}{36 K_d} \left(1 + \frac{17}{27} \epsilon\right) + O(\epsilon^3);$$

Heisenberg:

$$v^H = 0, \quad u^H = \frac{\epsilon}{4 K_d (n+8)} \left(1 + \frac{3(3n+14)}{(n+8)^2} \epsilon\right) + O(\epsilon^3);$$

Cubic:

$$u^C = \frac{\epsilon}{12 K_d n} \left(1 + \frac{(n-1)(106-19n)}{27n^2} \epsilon\right) + O(\epsilon^3),$$

$$v^C = \frac{\epsilon}{12 K_d n} \left(\frac{n-4}{3} + \frac{(n-1)(17n^2+110n-424)}{8n^2}\right) \epsilon + O(\epsilon^3).$$

Gaussian:

$$\lambda_u^G = \lambda_v^G = \epsilon;$$

Ising:

$$\lambda_u^I = \frac{1}{3} \epsilon - \frac{19}{81} \epsilon^2 + O(\epsilon^3), \quad \lambda_v^I = -\epsilon + \frac{17}{27} \epsilon^2 + O(\epsilon^3);$$

Heisenberg:

$$\lambda_u^H = -\epsilon + \frac{9n+42}{(n+8)^2} \epsilon^2 + O(\epsilon^3),$$

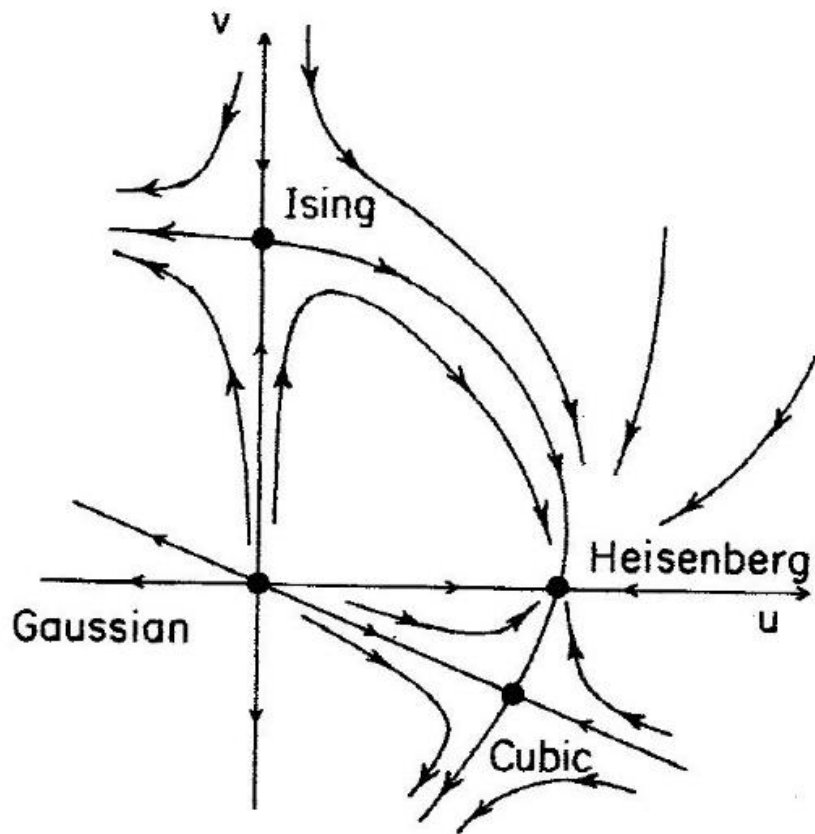
$$\lambda_v^H = \frac{n-4}{n+8} \epsilon + \frac{5n^2+14n+152}{(n+8)^3} \epsilon^2 + O(\epsilon^3).$$

Cubic:

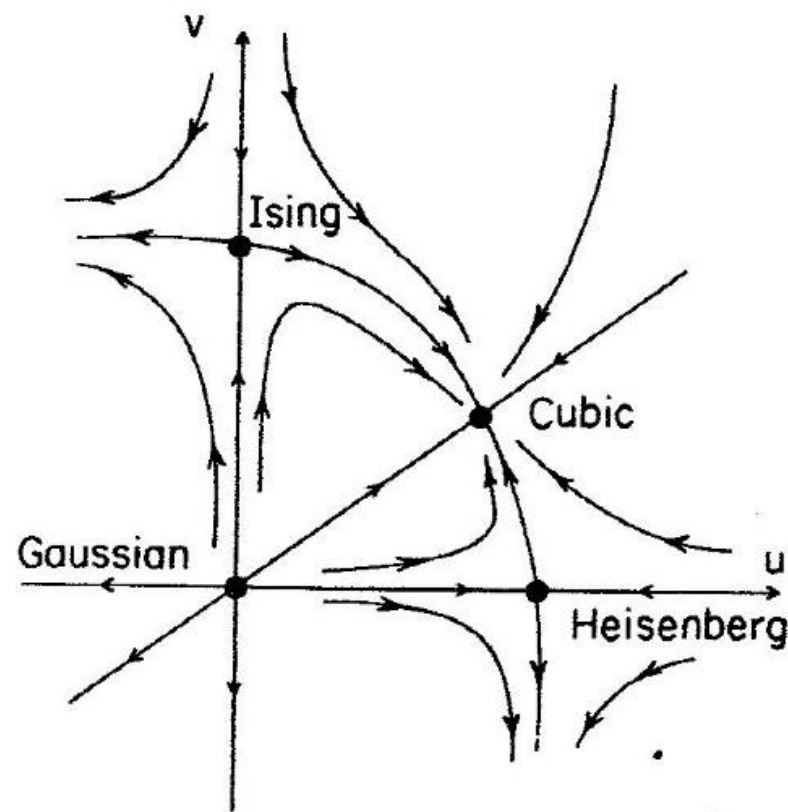
$$\lambda_1^C = -\epsilon + \frac{(n-1)(17n^2-4n+212)}{27n^2(n+2)} \epsilon^2 + O(\epsilon^3)$$

$$\lambda_2^C = \frac{4-n}{3n} \epsilon + \frac{(n-1)(19n^3-72n^2-660n+848)}{81n^3(n+2)} \epsilon^2 + O(\epsilon^3).$$

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$$n < n_c$$



$$n > n_c$$

crossover

## Critical Behavior of Anisotropic Cubic Systems

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borderline of stability of the Heisenberg fixed point depends on the order of the truncated series used for  $\lambda_v^H$ . Using the order- $\epsilon$  result, the Heisenberg fixed point is stable for  $n < 4$ . This explains Cowley and Bruce's<sup>6</sup> result for  $n = 3$ . Using the order- $\epsilon^2$  expression, given above, one finds that  $\lambda_v^H > 0$  for  $n > 2$ , and  $\lambda_v^H = 0$  at  $n = 2$ . Recently, Ketley and Wallace<sup>15</sup> calculated the order- $\epsilon^3$  term in  $\lambda_v^H$ , using a Feynman-graph expansion near the Heisenberg fixed point. To that order, they find the borderline goes up and lies close to  $n = 4$ . Ketley and Wallace conclude that for  $n = 3$  the radius of convergence of the series for  $\lambda_v^H$  is smaller than 1, and that no conclusions may be drawn. We conclude tentatively that  $\lambda_v^H$  is either positive or very small in magnitude, so that it is important to study other possible fixed points and other types of critical behavior.<sup>16</sup>



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$$v^C = 0, \quad \lambda_v^H = \lambda_2^C = 0$$

➔ 
$$n_c = 4 - 2\epsilon + \frac{5}{12}[6\zeta(3) - 1]\epsilon^2 + \mathcal{O}[\epsilon^3] \approx \frac{4 + 3.176\epsilon}{1 + 1.294\epsilon} \approx 3.128 \text{ at } \epsilon = 1.$$



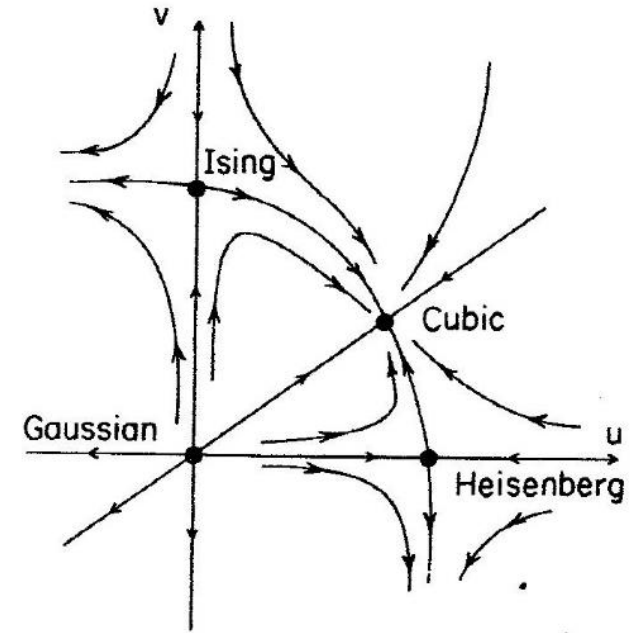
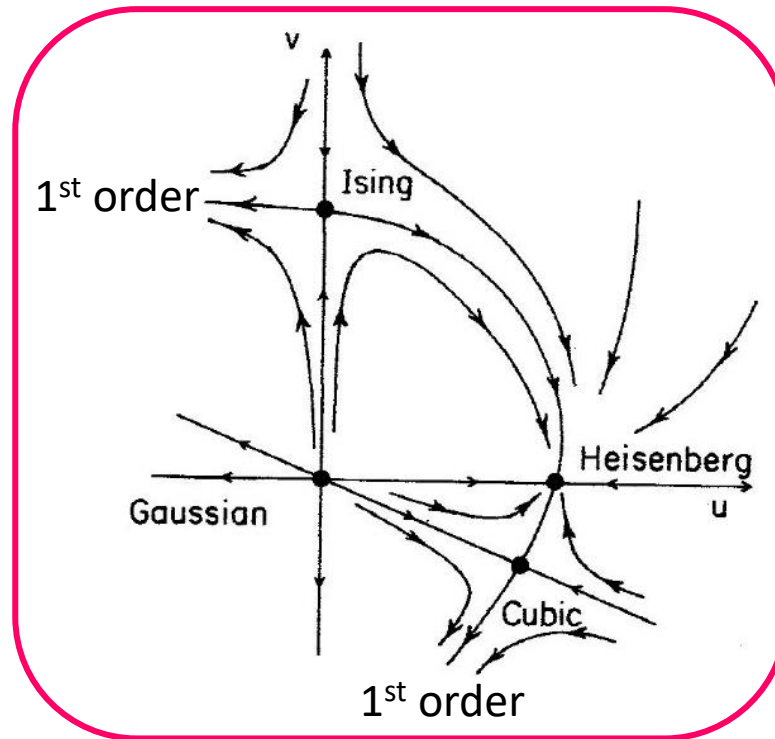
$$n_c > 3?$$

Heisenberg is stable

$$\beta_H = 0.37 \pm 0.01.$$

Larger than experiments!

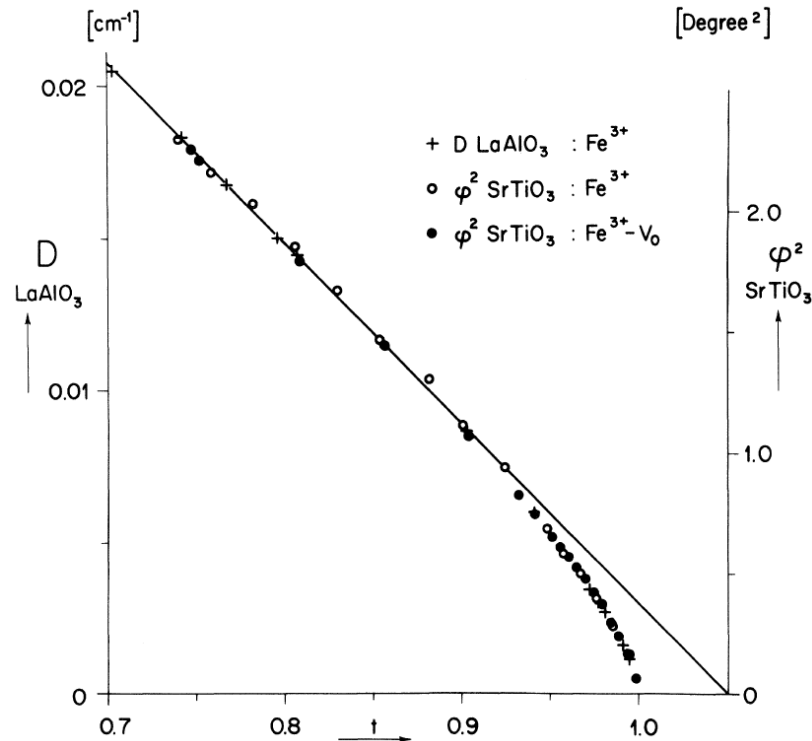
$$\beta = 0.33 \pm 0.02$$



Alex Müller visited Cornell in 1973

## Static Critical Exponents at Structural Phase Transitions

K. A. Müller and W. Berlinger



cancy ( $\text{Fe}^{3+} - V_{\text{O}}$ ) is observed.<sup>8</sup> Very recently proper shaping of SrTiO<sub>3</sub> crystals led to samples which became nearly monodomain below the phase transitions.<sup>10</sup> These samples allowed us a heretofore unattained accuracy in the determination of  $\varphi$ . The  $c$  axis of the monodomain was aligned parallel to the rotation axis of the magnet. Under this geometry there are essentially

(Usually, samples have many domains)

Coupling to strain

$$G = G_0 + \frac{1}{2} [\alpha(T - T_c)(Q_1^2 + Q_2^2 + Q_3^2) + \underline{2p_1 Q_1^2} \\ + \underline{p_2(Q_2^2 + Q_3^2)}] + u(Q_1^2 + Q_2^2 + Q_3^2)^2 \\ + v(Q_1^4 + Q_2^4 + Q_3^4),$$

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$$\bar{\mathcal{H}} = \int d^3x \left\{ \frac{1}{2} [r_0 \vec{Q}^2 + (\nabla \cdot \vec{Q})^2] + \bar{u}_0 \vec{Q}^4 + \bar{v}_0 \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 Q_{\alpha}^4 \right. \\ \left. - \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 T_{\alpha} [(L_1 - L_2) Q_{\alpha}^2 + L_2 \vec{Q}^2] - L_3 (Q_1 Q_2 T_6 + Q_2 Q_3 T_4 + Q_3 Q_1 T_5) \right\}$$

stress along the [100] axis,  $T_i = -p \delta_{i1}$

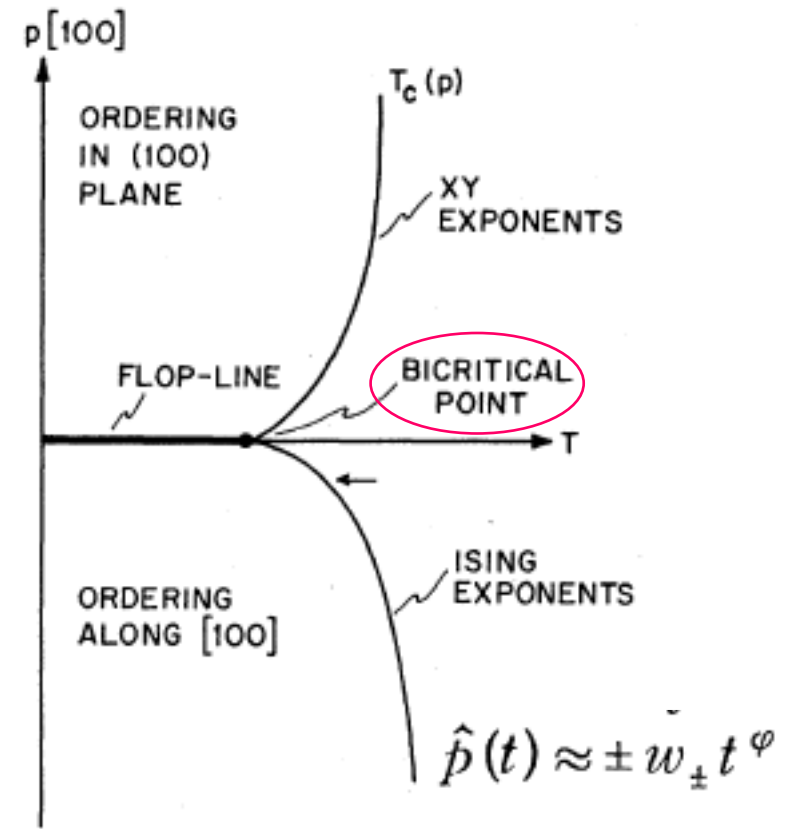
$$\bar{\mathcal{H}}^{[100]} = \int d^3x \left\{ \frac{1}{2} [\underline{r_1 Q_1^2 + r_2 (Q_2^2 + Q_3^2)} + (\nabla \cdot \vec{Q})^2] + \bar{u}_0 \vec{Q}^4 + \bar{v}_0 \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 Q_{\alpha}^4 \right\}$$

$$r_1 = r_0 + 2p L_1 \text{ and } r_2 = r_0 + 2p L_2$$

$$G(T, p) \approx |t|^{2-\alpha_H} f(\hat{p}/|t|^{\varphi}).$$

$\varphi$  is the crossover exponent for  $p$

$$\hat{p} = Q_1^2 - \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i>1} Q_i^2$$





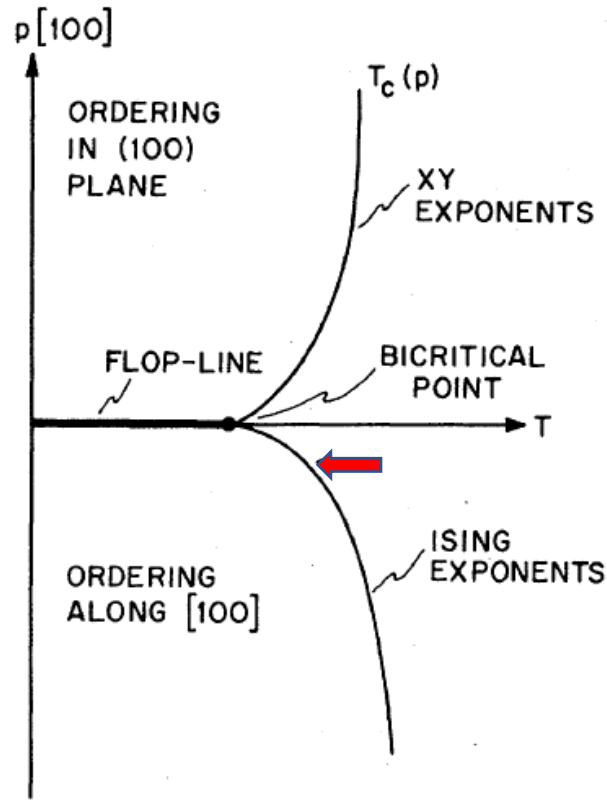


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In the light of the above analysis we conjecture that this mechanism is simply a systematic strain field which breaks the cubic symmetry, as discussed above, and leads to a crossover from the purely Heisenberg critical behavior expected for a strain-free sample to an Ising-like behavior, as indicated in Fig. 1.<sup>22</sup> We note that the experimental value<sup>8</sup> of  $\beta = 0.33 \pm 0.02$  is quite consistent with this suggestion since we must presume that the experiments were performed in the crossover region, in which the effective value of  $\beta$  changes from its Heisenberg value,  $\beta_H \approx 0.37$ , to that appropriate for the Ising system,  $\beta_I \approx 0.31$ .<sup>19</sup>

# Coupled order parameters, symmetry-breaking irrelevant scaling fields, and tetracritical points

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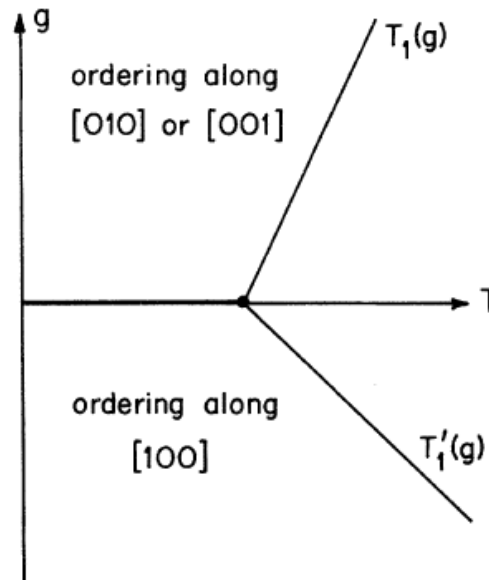
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$$A(T, g, v, \vec{M}) = \frac{1}{2} r_0 \vec{M}^2 + u \vec{M}^4 + \frac{1}{2} g \sum_{\alpha} c_{\alpha} M_{\alpha}^2 + v \sum_{\alpha} M_{\alpha}^4$$

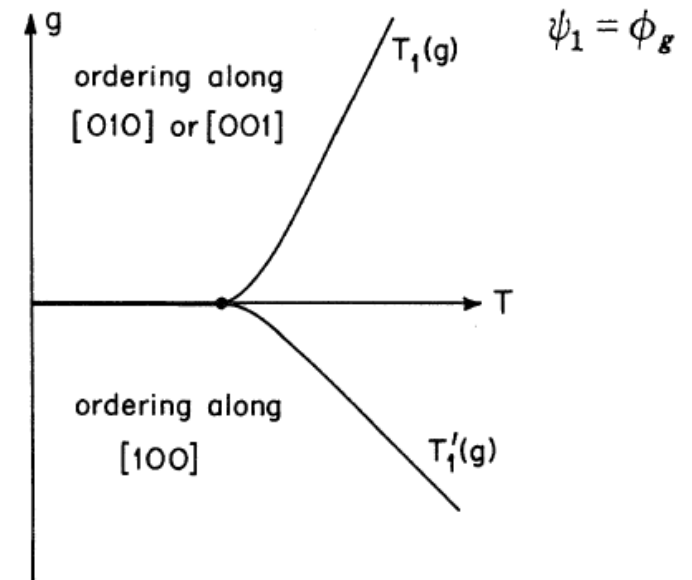
$$v < 0$$

*SrTiO<sub>3</sub>*



Landau theory

$$t_1 = [T_1(g) - T_c] / T_c \sim g^{1/\psi_1}$$



RG, near H or C fixed point

In ordered phase of the symmetric structure,

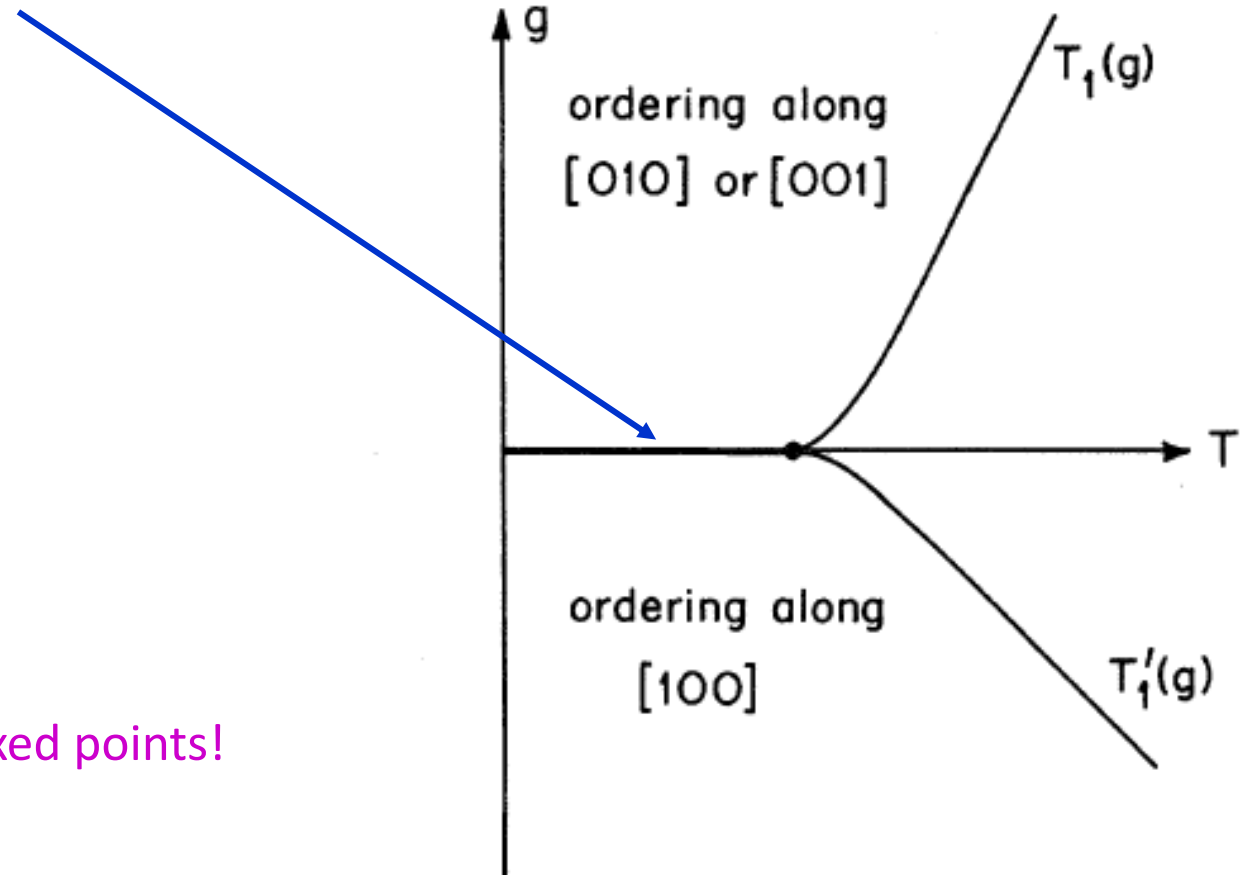
**Goldstone** modes now have a “mass”

$$\chi_{\perp} \propto \frac{1}{\frac{E}{Q} + v(l)Q(l)^2}$$



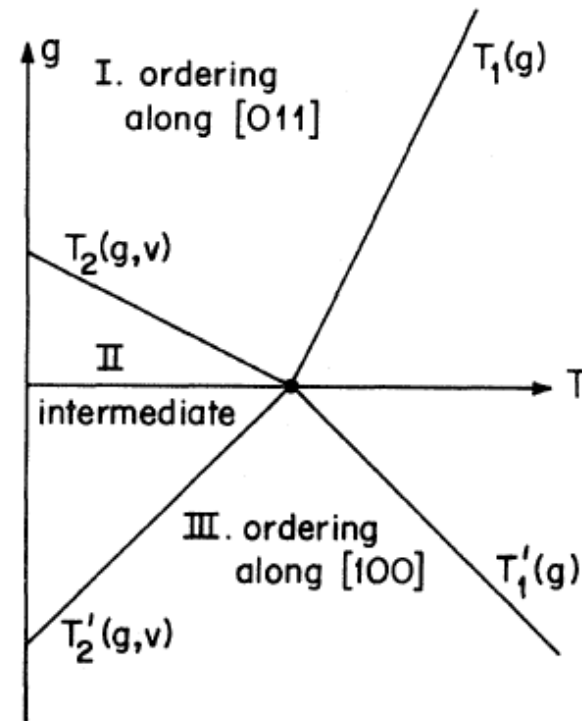
$$\propto |t|^{\phi_v} |t|^{2\beta}$$

Different for cubic and Heisenberg fixed points!

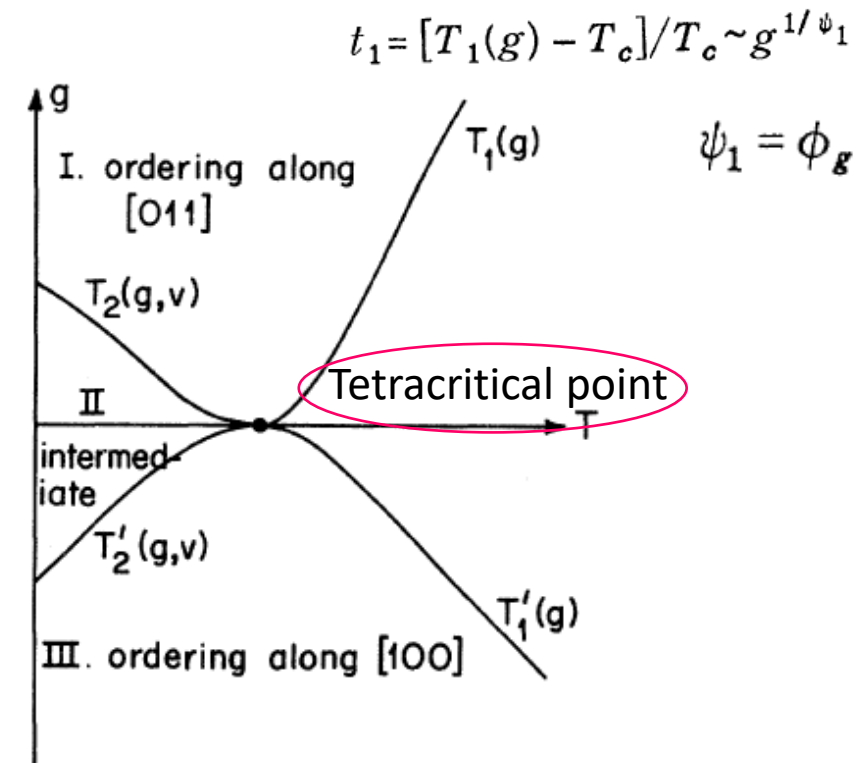


$$v > 0$$

*LaAlO<sub>3</sub>*



Landau theory



RG, near H or C fixed point

$$F(t, g, v) \approx t^{2-\alpha} \mathcal{F}(gt^{-\phi_g}, vt^{-\phi_v})$$

For H fixed point,  $v$  is a "dangerous irrelevant variable"

$$\psi_2 > \phi_g$$

$$[T_c - T_2(g, v)] \sim (g/v)^{1/\psi_2}$$

$$\psi_2 = \phi_g - \phi_v \quad \text{H}$$

$$\psi_2 = \phi_g \quad \text{C}$$



## AXIAL AND DIAGONAL ANISOTROPY CROSSOVER EXPONENTS FOR CUBIC SYSTEMS

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$$\mathcal{E}_{\alpha\beta} = -g \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} [S^\alpha(i) S^\beta(j) - \delta_{\alpha\beta} \mathbf{S}(i) \cdot \mathbf{S}(j)/n],$$

Near the cubic fixed point,

$$\mathcal{O}_{\text{axial}} = Q_1^2 - \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i>1} Q_i^2$$

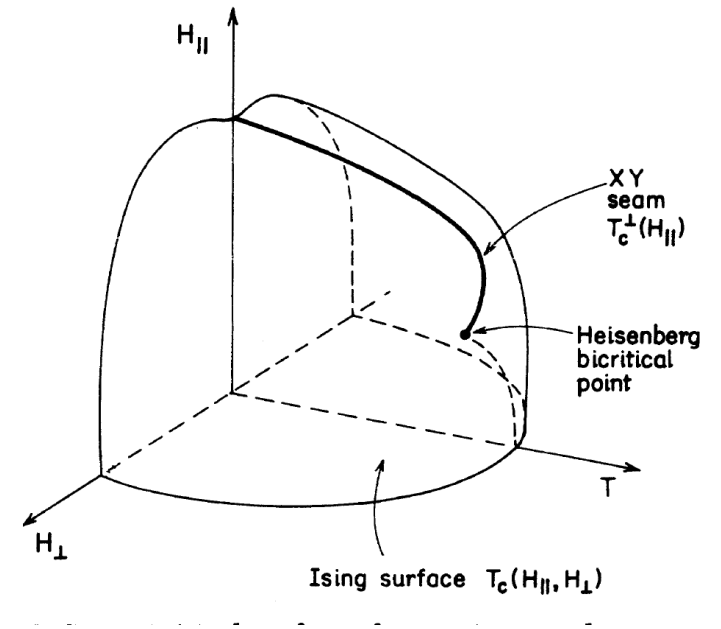
$$\mathcal{O}_{\text{diag}} = Q_1 Q_2$$

$$\phi_{\text{diag}} = 1 + \frac{n-2}{3n} \epsilon + \frac{(n-2)(7n^2 + 196n - 212)}{162n^3} \epsilon^2 + O(\epsilon^3)$$

$$\phi_{\text{axis}} = 1 + \frac{1}{6} \epsilon - \frac{5n^2 - 49n + 53}{81n^2} \epsilon^2 + O(\epsilon^3).$$

Implies different shapes of phase diagram, different Goldstone modes, etc

Note: all the multicritical points discussed here were simultaneously also discussed in the context of magnetic systems:



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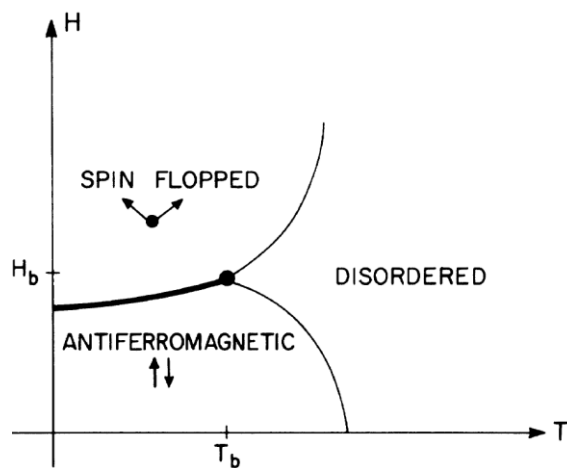
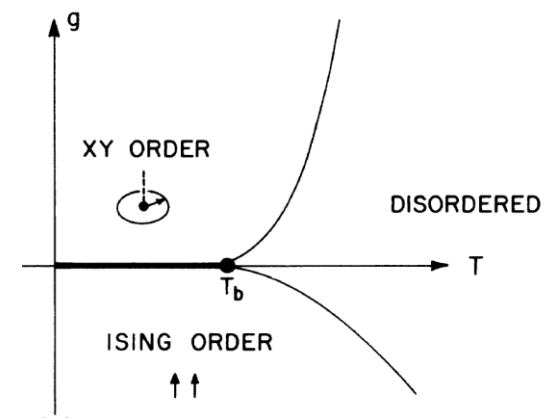
Equations of state for bicritical points. I. Calculations in the disordered phase

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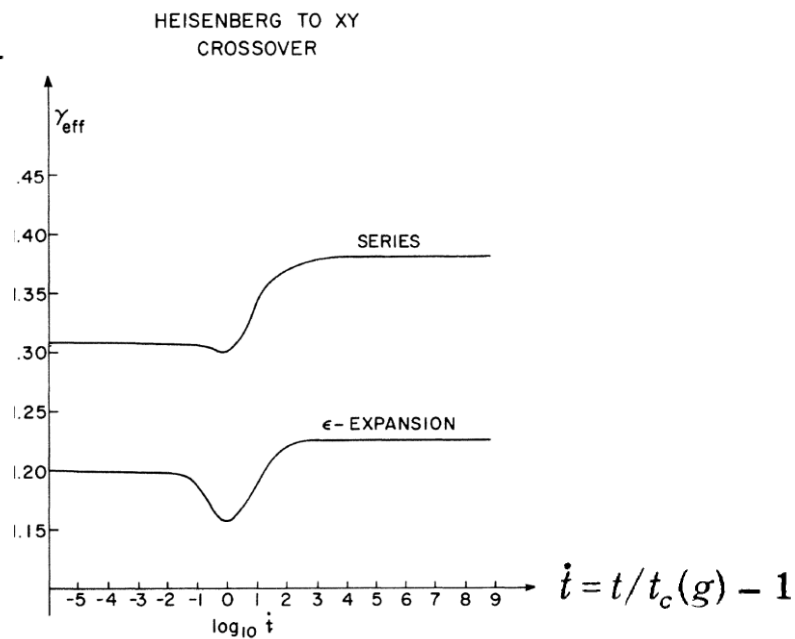
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$$\chi(t, g) \approx t^{-\gamma} \Psi(g/t^\phi)$$

$$\gamma_{\text{eff}} = \frac{-d \ln \chi}{d \ln t}$$



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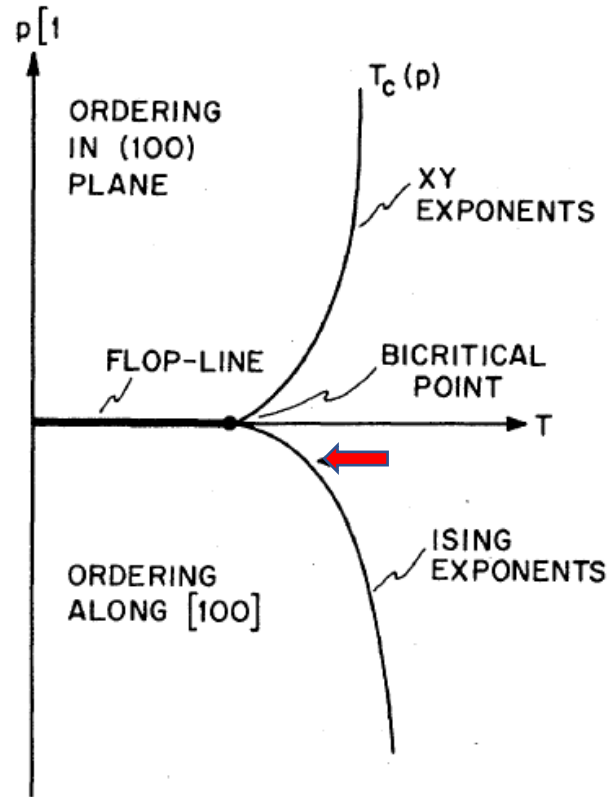


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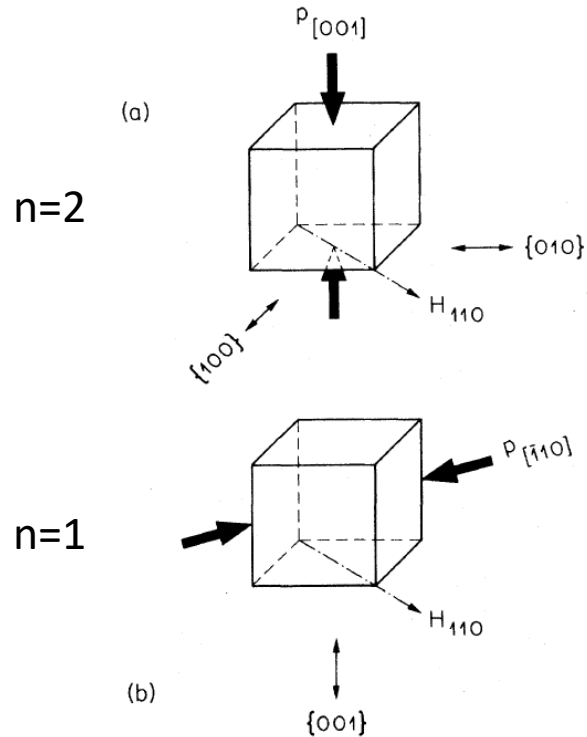


# Behavior of SrTiO<sub>3</sub> near the [100]-Stress-Temperature Bicritical Point

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The earlier measurements of the temperature dependence of the order parameter have been carried out on monodomain samples<sup>8</sup> to achieve a better accuracy near  $T_c$ . The experimental value obtained gave  $\beta = 0.33 \pm 0.02$ .<sup>1</sup> Because of the uniaxial character of the sample, the Ising value  $\beta_I \equiv \beta(1) = 0.315$  rather than the Heisenberg  $\beta_H$

$$\varphi(T) = \varphi_0 (1 - T/T_c)^{\beta(1)} \times [1 + b_1 (1 - T/T_c)^x + \dots] \quad \beta(1) = 0.315$$

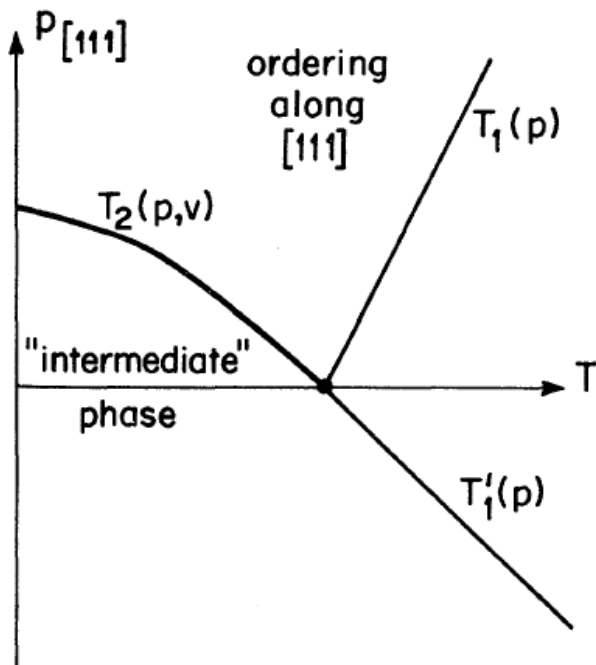
Order parameter correction Ising,  $n=1$

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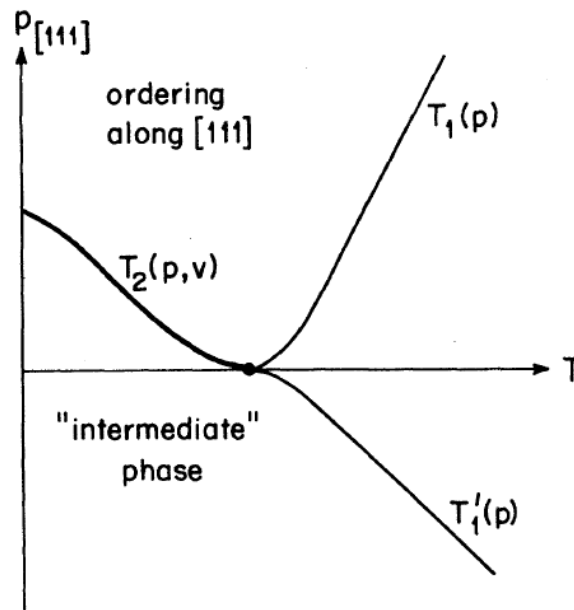
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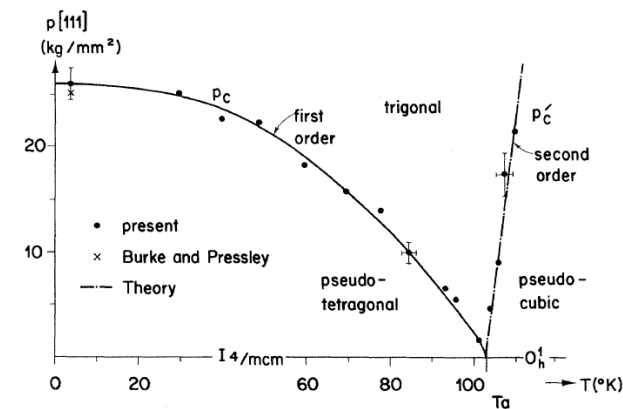
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Landau theory



RG, near H or C fixed point



## Stress along [111]

### ORDER PARAMETER AND PHASE TRANSITIONS OF STRESSED SrTiO<sub>3</sub>

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EPR spectra of Fe- $V_O$  pairs were used to study how the order parameter of SrTiO<sub>3</sub> varies with uniaxial stress applied to a (111) face. A second-order cubic-trigonal phase boundary appears above the stress-free transition temperature  $T_a$ . A first-order tetragonal-trigonal phase boundary is found below  $T_a$ . An independently determined Landau potential describes the results.

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{U} = & \frac{1}{2}KQ^2 + A'Q^4 + A_n' \sum_{i < j} Q_i^2 Q_j^2 \\ & - b_e \sum_i \underline{T_{ii} (3Q_i^2 - Q^2)} - b_t \sum_{i < j} \underline{T_{ij} Q_i Q_j} \end{aligned}$$

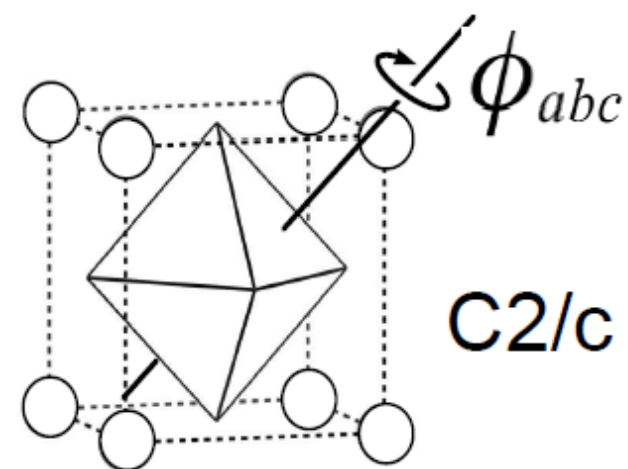
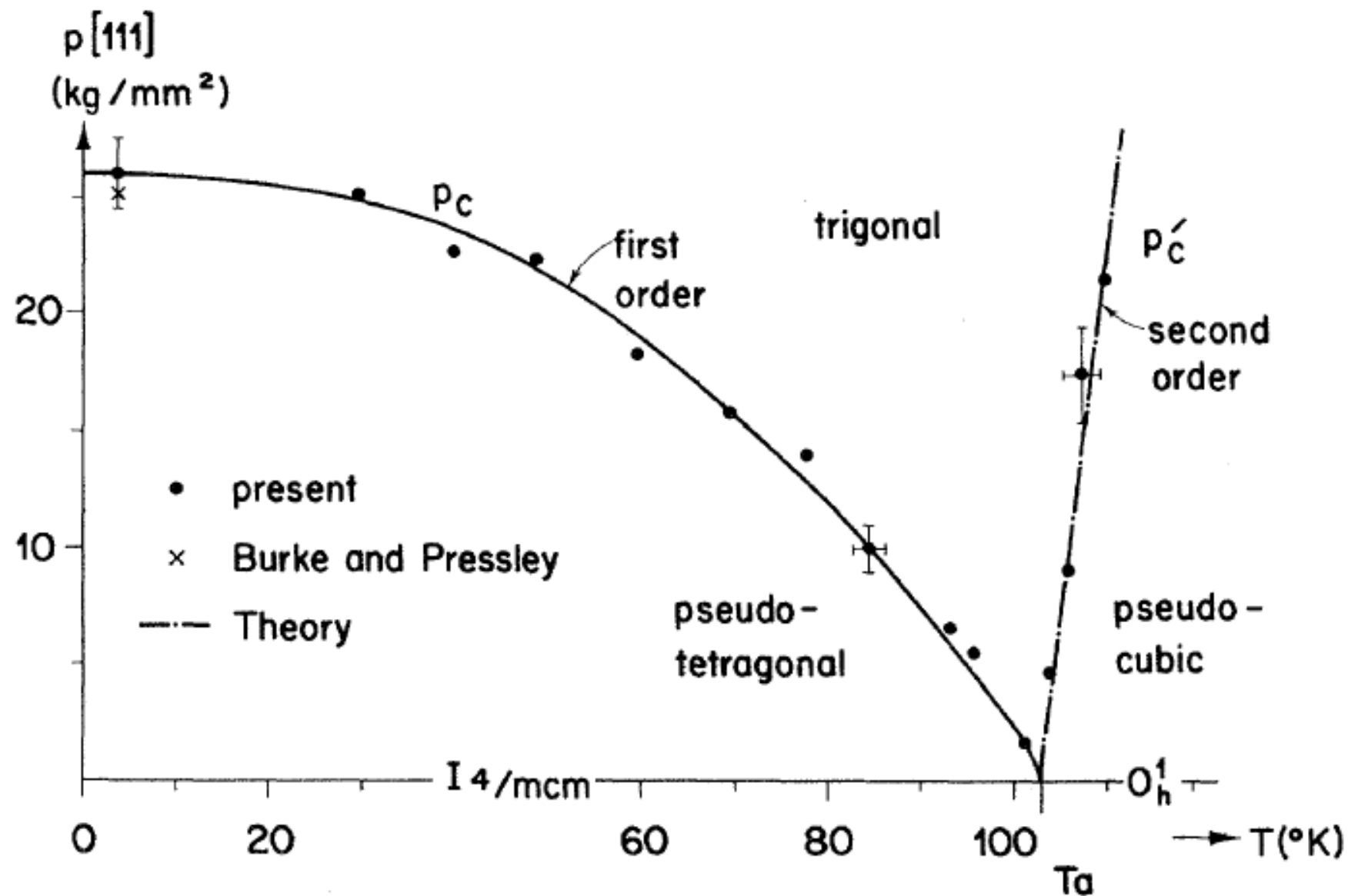
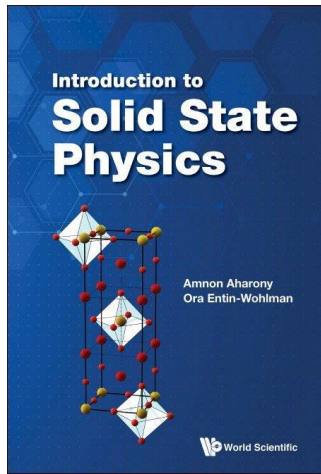


FIG. 3. Phase diagram of  $\text{SrTiO}_3$  for stress-induced  $R\bar{3}c$  phase. For  $T < T_a$  the transition is first order, for  $T > T_a$  second order.



← In the mountains near IBM Zürich, circa 1975

... Many mutual visits in Tel Aviv and Zürich:  
Phase transitions in perovskites or high-T<sub>c</sub>  
Superconductivity?



April 1987: Conference in Zürich, celebrating Müller's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday

My talk: "My life with Alex Müller and the perovskites"

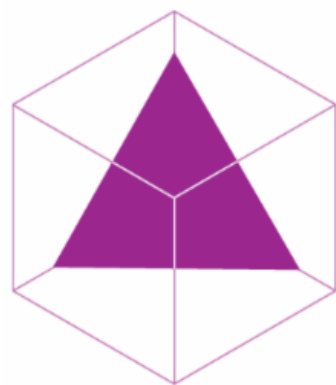
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# Trigonal-to-Tetragonal Transition in Stressed SrTiO<sub>3</sub>: A Realization of the Three-State Potts Model

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$$S_1 = (Q_1 + Q_2 + Q_3)/\sqrt{3}, \quad S_2 = (Q_1 - Q_2)/\sqrt{2}, \quad \text{and} \quad S_3 = (Q_1 + Q_2 - 2Q_3)/\sqrt{6}.$$

$$\Delta\bar{\mathcal{H}} = \int d^d x \left\{ [r_1 + 4(u + \frac{1}{3}v)M^2]MS_1 + 4(u + v)MS_1(S_2^2 + S_3^2) + 4(u + \frac{1}{3}v)MS_1^3 + 2\sqrt{2}VMS_3(S_2^2 - \frac{1}{3}S_3^2) \right\}$$

$$\bar{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{eff}} = \int d^d x \left\{ \frac{1}{2}[\tilde{r}_2(S_2^2 + S_3^2) + (\nabla S_2)^2 + (\nabla S_3)^2] + \tilde{u}_2(S_2^2 + S_3^2)^2 + wS_3(S_2^2 - \frac{1}{3}S_3^2) \right\}$$

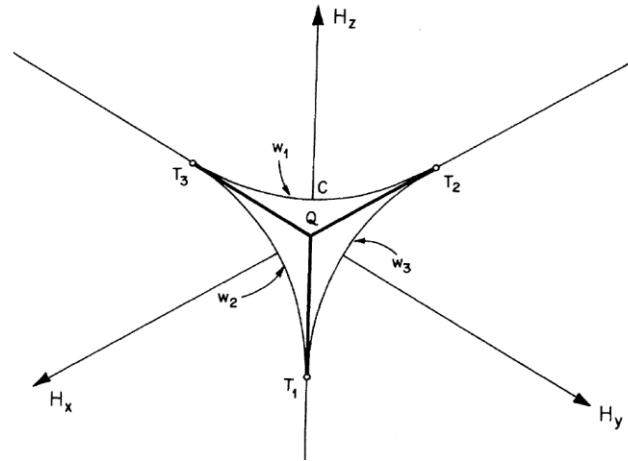
# Magnetization of Cubic Ferromagnets and the Three-Component Potts Model

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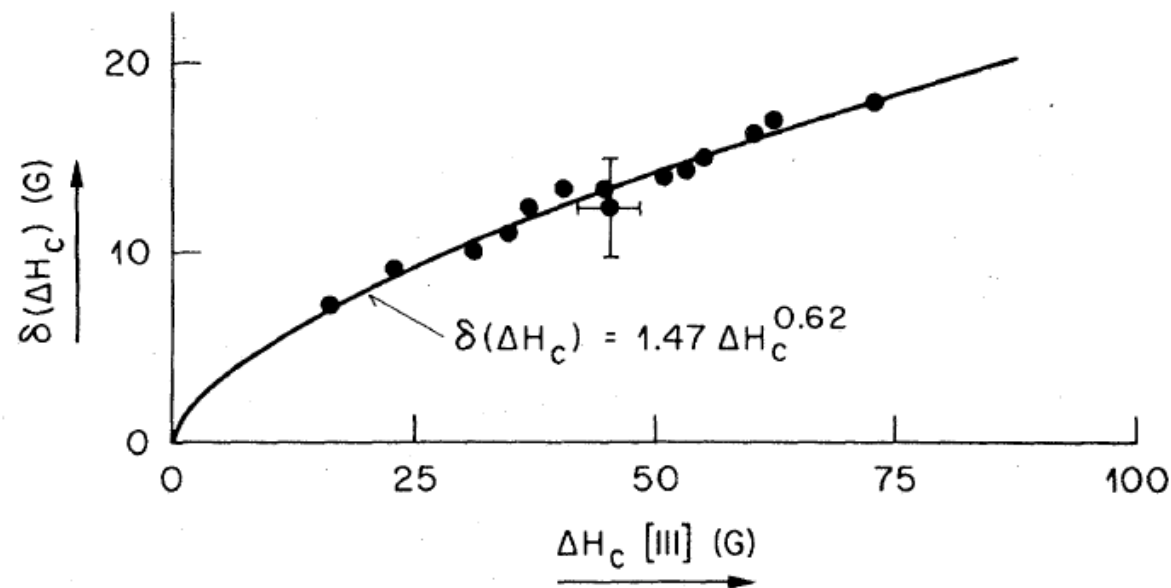
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The  $(H_x, H_y, H_z)$  phase diagram of a cubic ferromagnet with three easy axes, in a field  $\vec{H} = (H_x, H_y, H_z)$ , is studied by mean-field, scaling, and renormalization-group theories. For  $T < T_c (H=0)$  and  $\vec{H} \parallel [111]$  there is a phase transition at fields  $\pm H_0(T)$ , described by the three-component Potts model. By varying  $\vec{H}$  the full phase diagram of the three-dimensional Potts model is experimentally accessible and competing predictions of the multicritical behavior can be tested.



$$\frac{1}{3}\nu \left[ 6\sigma_0^2(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2) - 2\sqrt{2}\sigma_0(\sigma_2^3 - 3\sigma_1^2\sigma_2) + \frac{3}{2}(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)^2 + \sigma_0^4 \right].$$

For  $w = 0$ , the Hamiltonian (4) represents a second-order  $XY$ -like phase transition. However,  $w$  is a relevant variable, with exponent<sup>13</sup>  $\lambda_w = 1 - \epsilon/10 - 3\epsilon^2/100 + O(\epsilon^3)$ . Simple scaling arguments<sup>13</sup> now yield for  $w \neq 0$  a first-order transition, with an order-parameter discontinuity  $|\langle \Delta \vec{S} \rangle| \propto |w|^{\delta^*}$ , where  $\delta^* = (d - x)/\lambda_w = \frac{1}{2}(d - 2 + \eta)/\lambda \approx 0.62$



The  $p$ -state Potts model has a 2nd order transition for  $p < p_c$ , due to fluctuations, and a 1st order transition for  $p > p_c$ .

$p_c = 4$  at  $d = 2$ . What is  $p_c$  at  $d = 3$ ?

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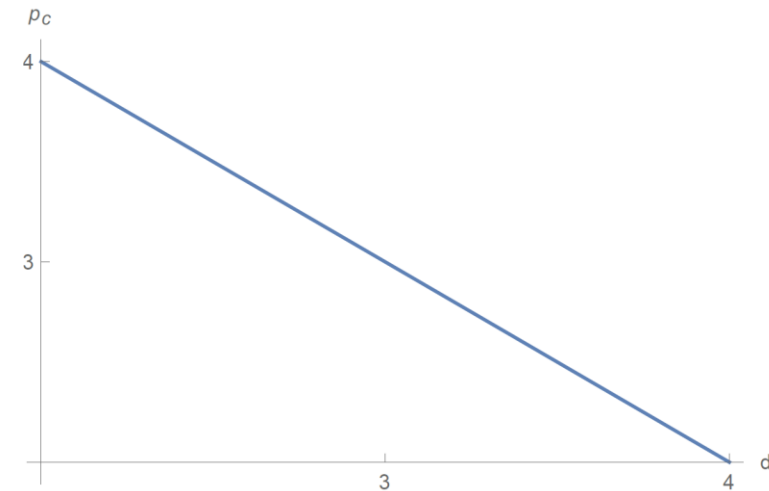
### First- and second-order transitions in the Potts model near four dimensions

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The continuum generalization of the  $p$ -state Potts model is analyzed in the ordered phase. Renormalization-group iterations in  $d = 4 - \epsilon$  dimensions are followed by an elimination of the transverse modes and a mapping onto an effective Ising model. This model is then used to show that the transition is first order for  $p > p_c(d)$  and continuous for  $p < p_c(d)$ . We find that  $p_c(d) = 2$  for  $d > 4$  and  $p_c(4 - \epsilon) = 2 + \epsilon + O(\epsilon^2)$ .



## Plan for 3<sup>rd</sup> lecture

Critical behavior of compressible systems

What is  $n_c = ?$  What are the implications?

Fluctuation driven 1<sup>st</sup> order transitions



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$$\beta\mathcal{H}_{e1} = \frac{1}{2} V \sum_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta} \lambda_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} e_{\alpha\beta}^0 e_{\gamma\delta}^0$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2V} \sum_{\vec{k} \neq 0} \sum_{\alpha, \beta} A_{\alpha\beta}(\vec{k}) u_{\alpha}(\vec{k}) u_{\beta}(-\vec{k})$$

$$A_{\alpha\beta}(\vec{k}) = \sum_{\gamma, \delta} \lambda_{\alpha\gamma\beta\delta} k_{\gamma} k_{\delta}$$

$$\beta\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{V^3} \sum_{\vec{k} \neq 0} \sum_{\vec{q}, \vec{p}} v(\hat{k}) (\vec{S}_{\vec{q}} \cdot \vec{S}_{\vec{k}-\vec{q}}) (\vec{S}_{\vec{p}} \cdot \vec{S}_{\vec{k}-\vec{p}}),$$

with  $\hat{k} = \vec{k}/|\vec{k}|$ , and

$$v(\hat{k}) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha, \beta; \gamma, \delta} [A^{-1}(\vec{k})]_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} g_{\alpha\gamma} g_{\beta\delta} k_{\gamma} k_{\delta}$$

$$\beta\mathcal{H}_{\text{int}} = \sum_{\alpha, \beta} g_{\alpha\beta} e_{\alpha\beta}^0 \int d^d x |\vec{S}(\vec{x})|^2 + \frac{1}{V} \sum_{\vec{k} \neq 0} \sum_{\alpha} B_{\alpha}(\vec{k}) u_{\alpha}(-\vec{k}),$$

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We close with the observation that in practice it may be very difficult to see any evidence of the anisotropic runaway discussed here. This is because the crossover exponent is equal to  $\alpha$ , which is always quite small.

So why is  $n_c$  important?

- What are the theoretical exponents for the fully cubic system?
- How do the bicritical and tetracritical phase diagrams look like?
- What is the universality class of the preovskites?

$$n_c = ?$$



# The Phase Transition of Strontium Titanate

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The theoretical situation for the cubic  $n = 3$ ,  $d = 3$  system is also somewhat uncertain. If the cubic terms,  $v$  and  $f_0$ , are small, Aharony (1976) showed that the system evolved to the isotropic fixed point at which  $v = 0$  and  $f = 0$ , when the exponents would be expected to be  $\beta = 0.365$ ,  $\gamma = 1.386$  and  $\nu = 0.705$  (le Guillou & Zinn-Justin 1980). These results are similar to the experimental values although the differences between the  $\beta$  and  $\nu$  are at the limit of what might be expected. This success is, however, modified by the calculations of Nattermann (1976) who showed that the isotropic  $n = 3$ ,  $d = 3$  fixed point would only describe the behaviour very close to  $T_C$  and that, in the presence of the cubic anisotropies, all of the exponents might be larger than those calculated for the isotropic model. Second, if  $f_0$  is close to  $-1$ , Bruce (1974) and Nattermann (1976) concluded that the system probably had a first-order transition. Clearly, although critical fluctuations are important in  $\text{SrTiO}_3$ , there is still the need for more theoretical and experimental work to clarify the results. After developing the mean field theory of a phase transition, the next step is the understanding of the critical phenomena, although this has not been accomplished for  $\text{SrTiO}_3$ .

## ***N*-component Ginzburg-Landau Hamiltonian with cubic anisotropy: A six-loop study**

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	Method	Results
Ref. 26, 1974	$\epsilon$ expansion: $O(\epsilon^3)$	$N_c \simeq 3.128$
Ref. 28, 1977	approximate RG	$\nu_s \omega_{2,s} = -0.11$ , $N_c \simeq 2.3$
Ref. 30, 1981	H.T. expansion: $O(\beta^{10})$	$\nu_s \omega_{2,s} = -0.63(10)$ , $N_c < 3$
Ref. 23, 1982	scaling-field	$N_c \simeq 3.38$
Ref. 33, 1989	$d=3$ expansion: $O(g^4)$	$\omega_{2,c} \simeq 0.008$ , $N_c \simeq 2.91$
Ref. 34, 1995	$\epsilon$ expansion: $O(\epsilon^5)$	$N_c \simeq 2.958$
Ref. 36, 1997	$\epsilon$ expansion: $O(\epsilon^5)$	$\omega_{2,s} = -0.00214$ , $\omega_{2,c} = 0.00213$ , $N_c < 3$
Ref. 37, 1997	$\epsilon$ expansion: $O(\epsilon^5)$	$N_c \simeq 2.86$
Ref. 38, 1998	Monte Carlo	$\omega_{2,s} = 0.0007(29)$ , $N_c \approx 3$
Ref. 40, 1999	$d=3$ expansion: $O(g^4)$	$\omega_{2,s} = -0.0081$ , $\omega_{2,c} = 0.0077$ , $N_c = 2.89(2)$
This work	$\epsilon$ expansion: $O(\epsilon^5)$	$\omega_{2,s} = -0.003(4)$ , $\omega_{2,c} = 0.006(4)$ , $N_c = 2.87(5)$
This work	$d=3$ expansion: $O(g^6)$	$\omega_{2,s} = -0.013(6)$ , $\omega_{2,c} = 0.010(4)$ , $N_c = 2.89(4)$

# Critical phenomena and renormalization-group theory

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Ref.	Method	$\omega_{2,s}$	$\omega_{2,c}$	$N_c$
[437] 2000	$d = 3$ exp: $O(g^6)$		0.015(2)	2.862(5)
[270] 2000	$d = 3$ exp: $O(g^6)$	−0.013(6)	0.010(4)	2.89(4)
[270] 2000	$\epsilon$ exp: $O(\epsilon^5)$	−0.003(4)	0.006(4)	2.87(5)
[1078] 2000	$d = 3$ exp: $O(g^4)$	−0.0081	0.0077	2.89(2)
[1001] 1997	$\epsilon$ exp: $O(\epsilon^5)$			2.86
[660,661] 1995	$\epsilon$ exp: $O(\epsilon^5)$	−0.00214	0.00213	$N_c < 3$
[658] 1995	$\epsilon$ exp: $O(\epsilon^5)$			2.958
[775] 1989	$d = 3$ exp: $O(g^4)$		0.008	2.91
[831] 1974	$\epsilon$ exp: $O(\epsilon^3)$			3.128
[1064] 2002	CRG			3.1
[835] 1982	Scaling-field			3.38
[1083] 1977	CRG	−0.16		2.3
[273] 1998	MC	0.0007(29)		$N_c \approx 3$
[386] 1981	HT exp: $O(\beta^{10})$	−0.89(14)		$N_c < 3$

# Bootstrapping Heisenberg Magnets and their Cubic Instability

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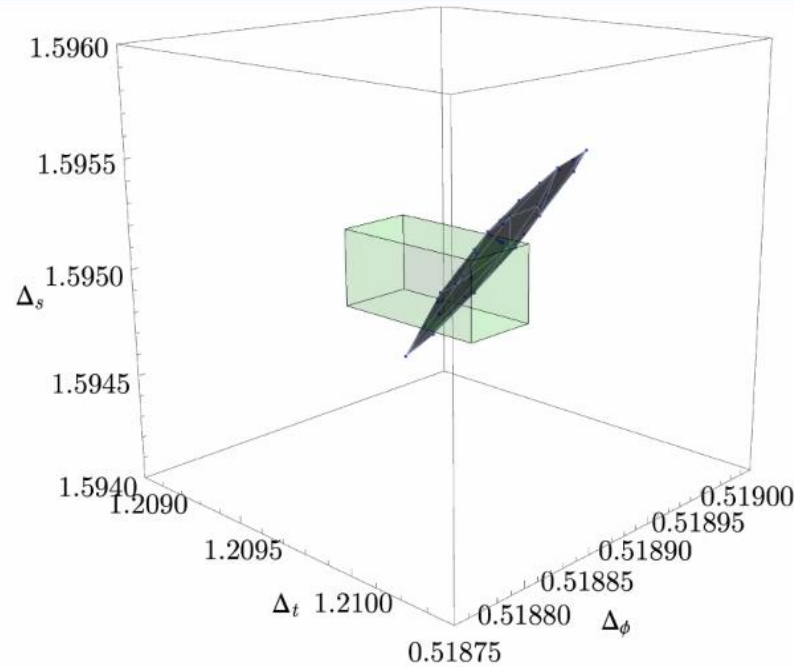
## Abstract

We study the critical  $O(3)$  model using the numerical conformal bootstrap. In particular, we use a recently developed cutting-surface algorithm to efficiently map out the allowed space of CFT data from correlators involving the leading  $O(3)$  singlet  $s$ , vector  $\phi$ , and rank-2 symmetric tensor  $t$ . We determine their scaling dimensions to be  $(\Delta_s, \Delta_\phi, \Delta_t) = (0.518942(51), 1.59489(59), 1.20954(23))$ , and also bound various OPE coefficients. We additionally introduce a new “tip-finding” algorithm to compute an upper bound on the leading rank-4 symmetric tensor  $t_4$ , which we find to be relevant with  $\Delta_{t_4} < 2.99056$ . The conformal bootstrap thus provides a numerical proof that systems described by the critical  $O(3)$  model, such as classical Heisenberg ferromagnets at the Curie transition, are unstable to cubic anisotropy.

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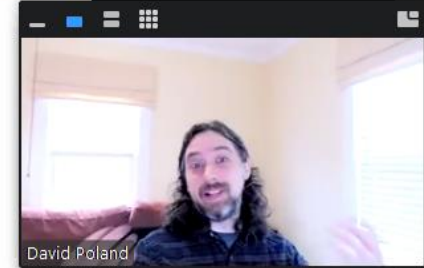
# $O(3)$ from $\{\phi_i, s, t_{ij}\}$ System



Black (Bootstrap): [Chester, Landry, Liu, DP, Simmons-Duffin, Vichi, '20]

Green (Monte Carlo): [Hasenbusch, Vicari '11; Hasenbusch '20]

- ▶ Using tiptop search, find it is relevant:  $\Delta_{\phi\{i\phi^j\phi^k\phi^l\}} < 2.99056!$
- ▶ Proof that critical Heisenberg magnets are unstable to cubic anisotropy, should flow to fixed point with cubic symmetry  $C_3$  rather than  $O(3)$





# Exact five-loop renormalization group functions of $\phi^4$ -theory with $O(N)$ -symmetric and cubic interactions. Critical exponents up to $\epsilon^5$

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$$N_c = 4 - 2\epsilon + \epsilon^2 \left( -\frac{5}{12} + \frac{5\zeta(3)}{2} \right) + \epsilon^3 \left( -\frac{1}{72} + \frac{5\zeta(3)}{8} + \frac{15\zeta(4)}{8} - \frac{25\zeta(5)}{3} \right) + \quad (19)$$

$$\epsilon^4 \left( -\frac{1}{384} + \frac{93\zeta(3)}{128} - \frac{229\zeta^2(3)}{144} + \frac{15\zeta(4)}{32} - \frac{3155\zeta(5)}{1728} - \frac{125\zeta(6)}{12} + \frac{11515\zeta(7)}{384} \right) + O[\epsilon^5].$$

Padé [1, 1] :  $N_c = 3.128$

Padé [2, 1] :  $N_c = 2.792$

Padé [3, 1] :  $N_c = 3.068$

Padé [2, 2] :  $N_c = 2.958$

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Padé [1, 3] :  $N_c = 2.972.$

## Six-loop $\varepsilon$ expansion study of three-dimensional $n$ -vector model with cubic anisotropy

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Detailed study of the  $n$ -vector cubic model including evaluation of critical exponents and  $n_c$  was carried out by many groups [2–32] having used both field-theoretical methods and lattice calculations. Early numerical estimates of  $n_c$  obtained in the lower-order approximations within the  $\varepsilon$  expansion approach [2,4–6] and in the frame of 3D RG machinery [12,15,16] turned out to be in favor of the conclusion that  $n_c > 3$ , while lattice calculations implied  $n_c$  is practically equal to 3 [13]. This made the study of the cubic class of universality less interesting from the physical point of view. Later, however, the higher-order analysis including resummation of RG perturbative series was performed and shown that numerical value of  $n_c$  falls below 3 [17–22, 24–26,28,32]. To date, the most advanced estimates of  $n_c$  obtained within the  $\varepsilon$  expansion, 3D RG and pseudo- $\varepsilon$  expansion approaches are  $n_c = 2.855, 2.87$  [21,26],  $n_c = 2.89, 2.91$  [24,26] and  $n_c = 2.86$  [28,32], respectively.

$$n_c = 4 - 2\varepsilon + 2.588476\varepsilon^2 - 5.874312\varepsilon^3 + 16.82704\varepsilon^4 - 56.62195\varepsilon^5 + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^6).$$

Table 1

Padé triangle for the  $\varepsilon$  expansion of  $n_c$ . Here Padé estimate of  $k$ -th order (lower line, RoC) is the number given by corresponding diagonal approximant  $[L/L]$  or by a half of the sum of the values given by approximants  $[L/L-1]$  and  $[L-1/L]$  when a diagonal approximant does not exist. Three estimates are absent because corresponding Padé approximants have poles close to the physical value  $\varepsilon = 1$ .

$M \setminus L$	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	4	2	4.5885	-1.2858	15.5412	-41.0807
1	2.6667	3.1283	2.7917	3.0684	2.5692	
2	-	2.8930	2.9576	2.8828		
3	1.9518	-	2.9138			
4	-	2.7887				
5	0.4549					
RoC	4	2.3333	3.1283	2.8424	2.9576	2.8983

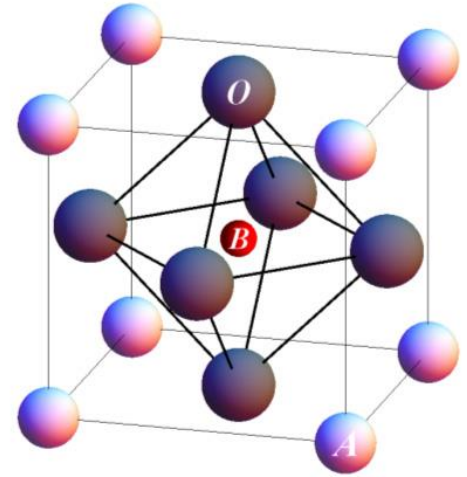
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Padé-Borel-Leroy estimates of  $n_c$  obtained from  $\varepsilon$  expansion (25) under the optimal value of the shift parameter  $b_{opt} = 1.845$ . The estimate of  $k$ -th order (lower line, RoC) is the number given by corresponding diagonal approximant  $[L/L]$  or by a half of the sum of the values given by approximants  $[L/L-1]$  and  $[L-1/L]$  when a diagonal approximant does not exist. Two estimates are absent because corresponding Padé approximants turn out to be spoiled by dangerous poles.

$M \setminus L$	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	4	2	4.58848	-1.28584	15.5412	-41.0807
1	2.75996	3.05988	2.87042	2.92283	2.91341	
2	-	2.93394	2.91132	2.91499		
3	2.57775	2.91419	2.91416			
4	-	2.91416				
5	2.39138					
RoC	4	2.3800	3.0599	2.9022	2.9113	2.9146

$$n_c = n_c^{(6)} = 2.915 \pm 0.003$$

“New” approach:



Physically,  $n$  must equal  $d$ .

Later, we also consider  $\mathcal{H}_0^f = \frac{f_0}{2} \sum_{\alpha} \int_{\mathbf{k}}^{\Lambda} k_{\alpha}^2 |Q_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})|^2$

Historically, started in 1973,

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*Dipolar interactions at ferromagnetic critical points*

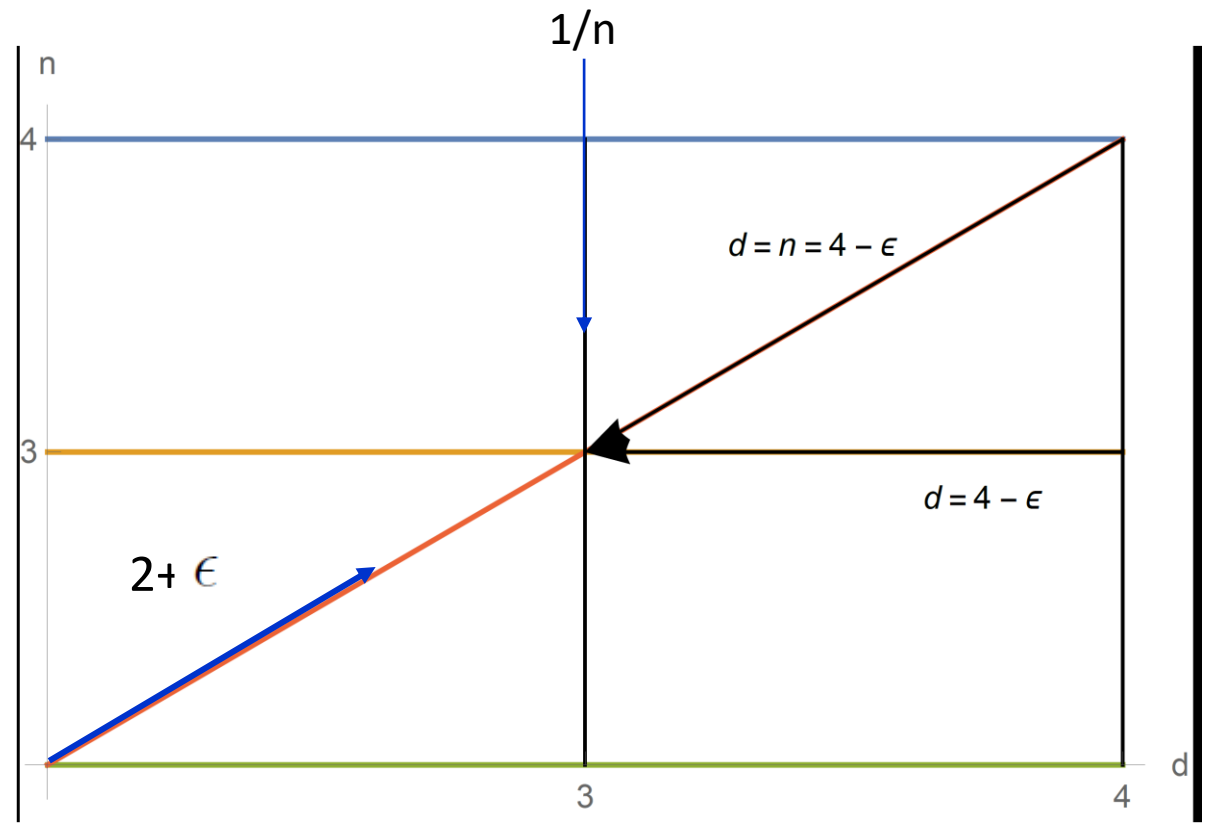
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$$\frac{1}{R(ij)^d} \left[ \mathbf{S}(i) \cdot \mathbf{S}(j) - d \frac{\mathbf{R}(ij) \cdot \mathbf{S}(i) \mathbf{R}(ij) \cdot \mathbf{S}(j)}{R(ij)^2} \right]$$



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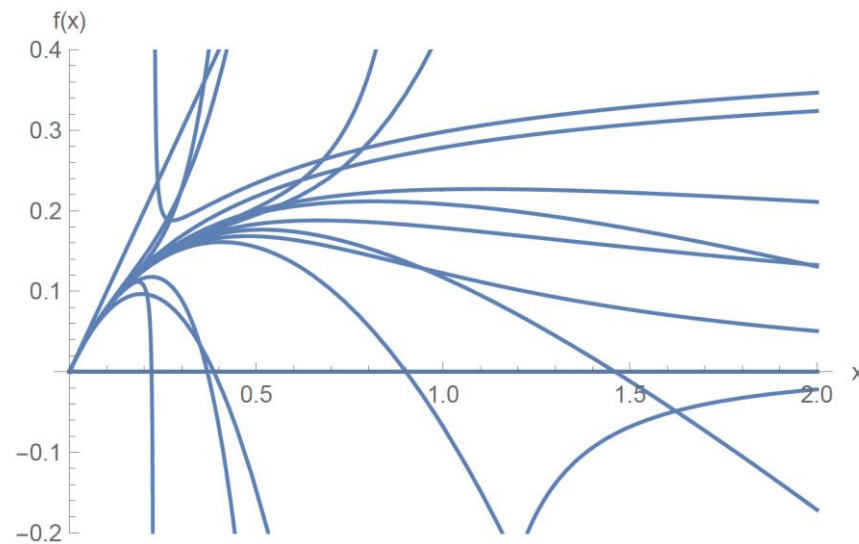
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$$4 - \epsilon - n_c(\epsilon) = \epsilon - 2.58848\epsilon^2 + 5.87431\epsilon^3 - 16.827\epsilon^4 + 56.62196\epsilon^5 + \mathcal{O}[\epsilon^6].$$

$\frac{1 - 0.31906578597938484 \cdot \epsilon}{1 + 2.269409805252934 \cdot \epsilon}$	$\frac{1 - 4.551834202156295 \cdot \epsilon}{1 - 1.9633586109239758 \cdot \epsilon - 10.956417728613014 \cdot \epsilon^2}$	$\frac{1 + 2.177564360014011 \cdot \epsilon}{1 + 4.76603995124633 \cdot \epsilon + 6.462466193238685 \cdot \epsilon^2 + 5.557769889409281 \cdot \epsilon^3}$
$\frac{1 + 0.2760367726022195 \cdot \epsilon - 1.5404084471683843 \cdot \epsilon^2}{1 + 2.8645123638345384 \cdot \epsilon}$	$\frac{1 + 2.684825951080864 \cdot \epsilon - 2.308970659658309 \cdot \epsilon^2}{1 + 5.273301542313183 \cdot \epsilon + 5.466529780426597 \cdot \epsilon^2}$	0
$\frac{1 + 0.7764628211312679 \cdot \epsilon - 2.8357490590026666 \cdot \epsilon^2 + 2.9396586856390527 \cdot \epsilon^3}{1 + 3.364938412363587 \cdot \epsilon}$	0	0

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$$\epsilon_c = \underline{.220, .369, 0.386, .900, 1.460}$$

Small, so more reliable?

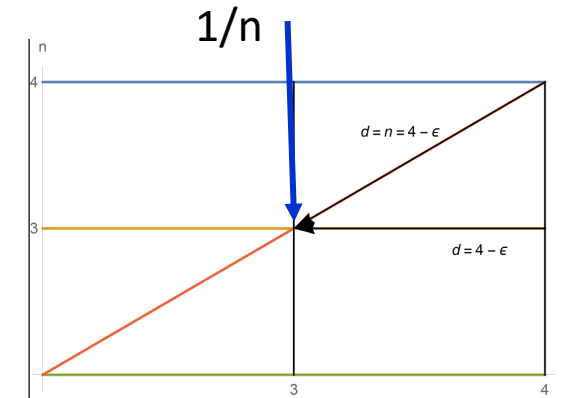
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# Critical Behavior of Anisotropic Cubic Systems in the Limit of Infinite Spin Dimensionality

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$$\bar{\mathcal{H}}_0 = \sum_{\alpha} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \int (\nu_0 + q^2) \sigma_{\vec{q}}^{\alpha} \sigma_{-\vec{q}}^{\alpha} - \nu_0 \int_{\vec{q}} \int_{\vec{q}'} \int_{\vec{q}''} \sigma_{\vec{q}}^{\alpha} \sigma_{\vec{q}'}^{\alpha} \sigma_{\vec{q}''}^{\alpha} \sigma_{-\vec{q}-\vec{q}'-\vec{q}''}^{\alpha} \right\}$$

$$\bar{\mathcal{H}}_1 = -u_0 \sum_{\alpha\beta} \int_{\vec{q}} \int_{\vec{q}'} \int_{\vec{q}''} \sigma_{\vec{q}}^{\alpha} \sigma_{\vec{q}'}^{\alpha} \sigma_{\vec{q}''}^{\beta} \sigma_{-\vec{q}-\vec{q}'-\vec{q}''}^{\beta}$$

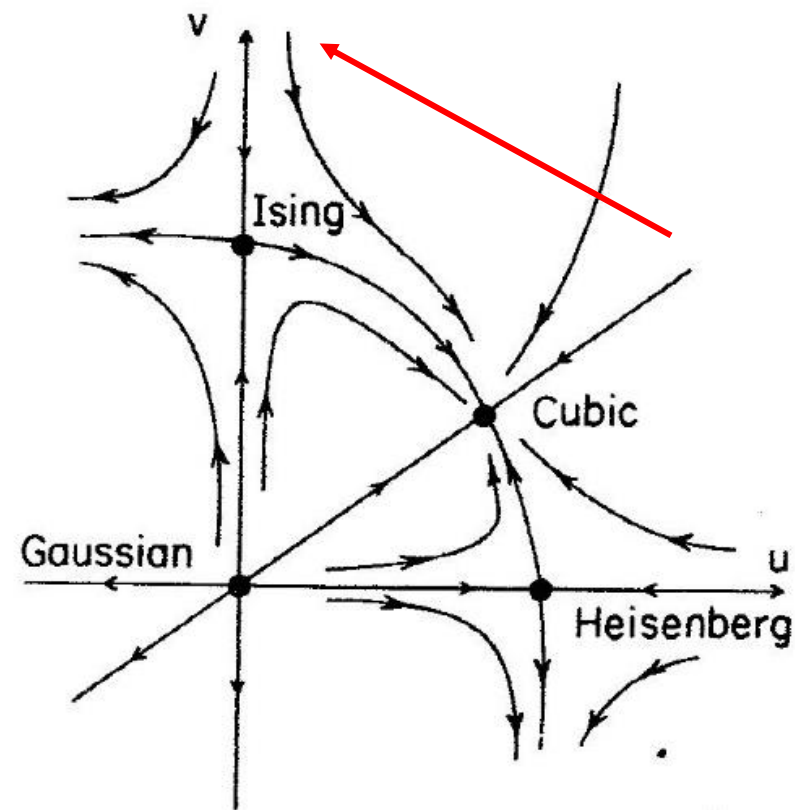
$$\langle \sigma_{\vec{q}}^{\alpha} \sigma_{-\vec{q}}^{\alpha} \rangle_0 = G_0(\nu_1, \vec{q})$$

$$\gamma^c = \gamma^I / (1 - \alpha^I) + O(n^{-1})$$

$$\eta^c \simeq 0.056 + O(n^{-2}) \text{ and } \gamma^c \simeq 1.43 + O(n^{-1})$$

$$\eta^s = 0, \quad \gamma^s = 2.$$

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H



$$d = 2 + \epsilon$$

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## BICRITICAL POINTS IN $2 + \epsilon$ DIMENSIONS

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$$\bar{H} = \int d\mathbf{R} \left\{ \frac{1}{2f} [\partial_\mu S(\mathbf{R})]^2 + \frac{g_1}{f} [\partial_\mu S_n(\mathbf{R})]^2 + \frac{g_2}{f} [S_n(\mathbf{R})]^2 \right\}$$

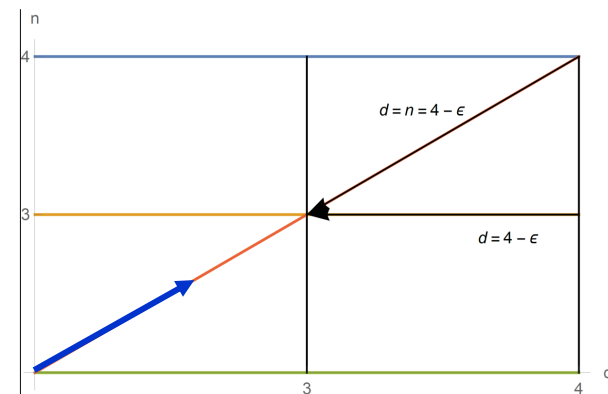
$$\lambda_{g_2} = 2 - 2\epsilon/(n-2) + O(\epsilon^2).$$

$$\bar{H}_v = (v/f) \int \sum_{a=1}^n [S_n(\mathbf{R})]^4$$

$$\lambda_v = 2 - \epsilon(n+6)/(n-2) + O(\epsilon^2),$$

$$n = d = 2 + \epsilon$$

???

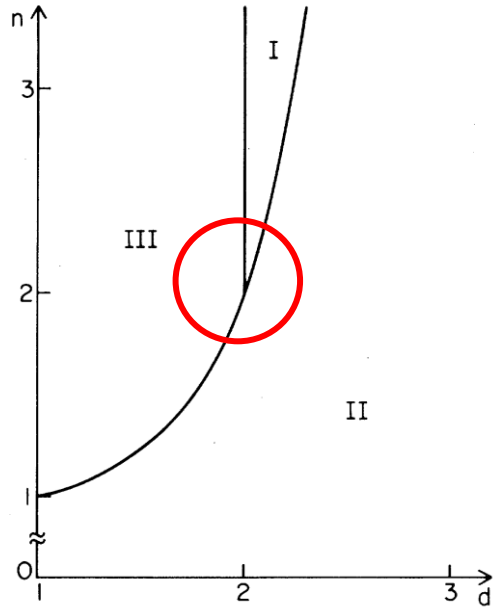


# $O(n)$ Heisenberg Model Close to $n=d-2$

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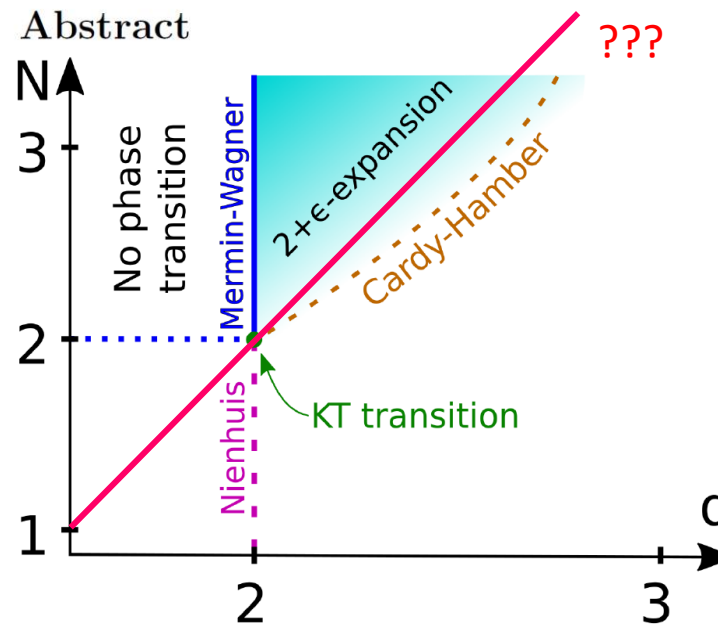
## Analyticity of critical exponents of the $O(N)$ models from nonperturbative renormalization

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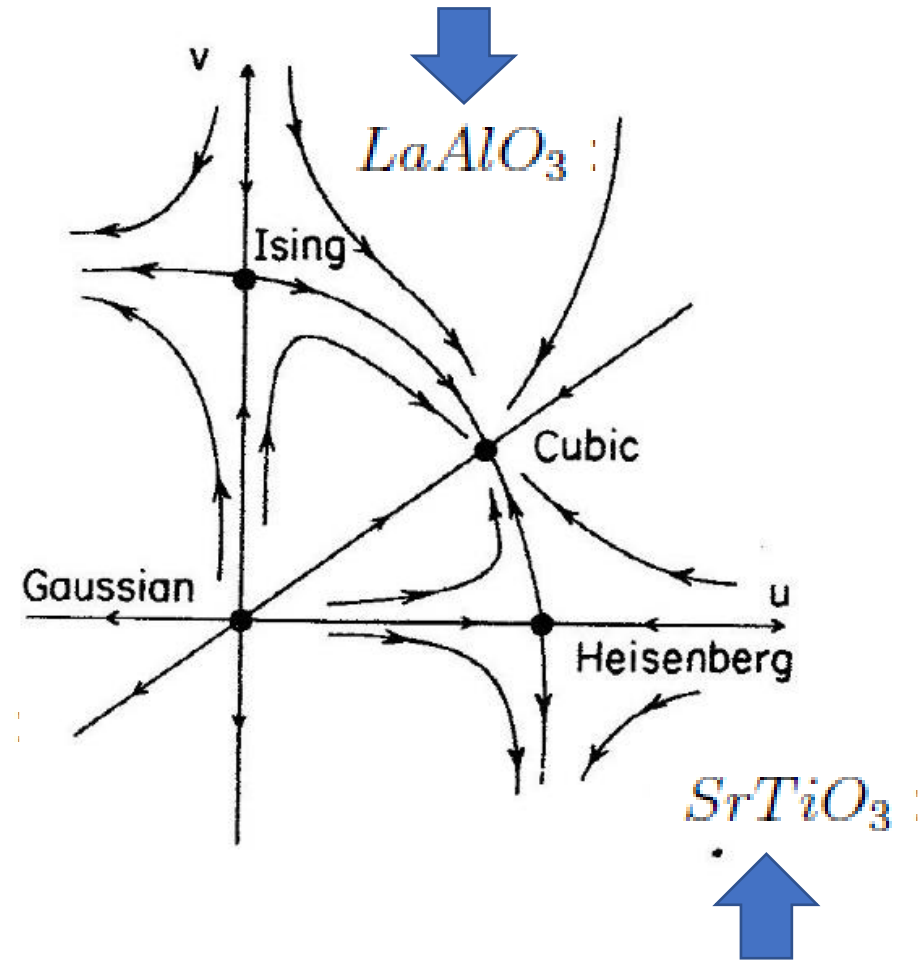
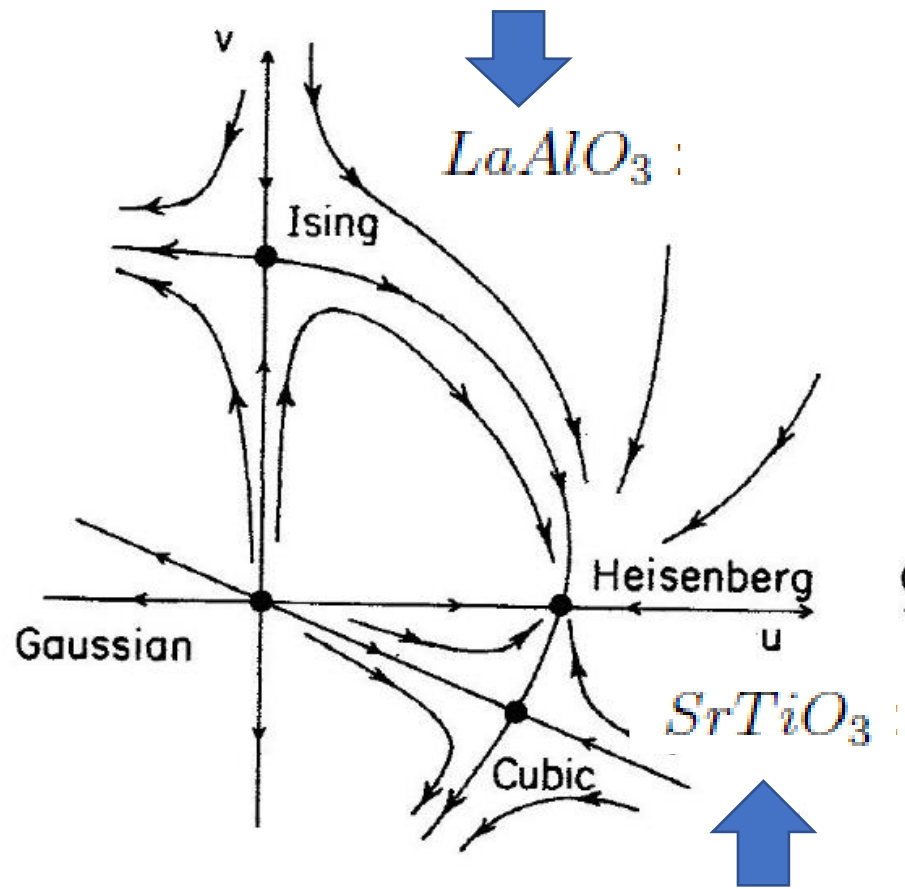
If the cubic fixed point wins, what are the implications for  
The displacive phase transitions in the perovskites??





Back to the beginning

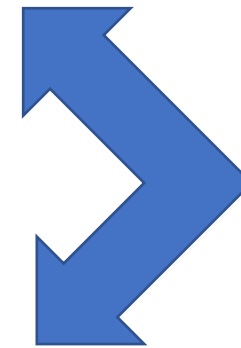
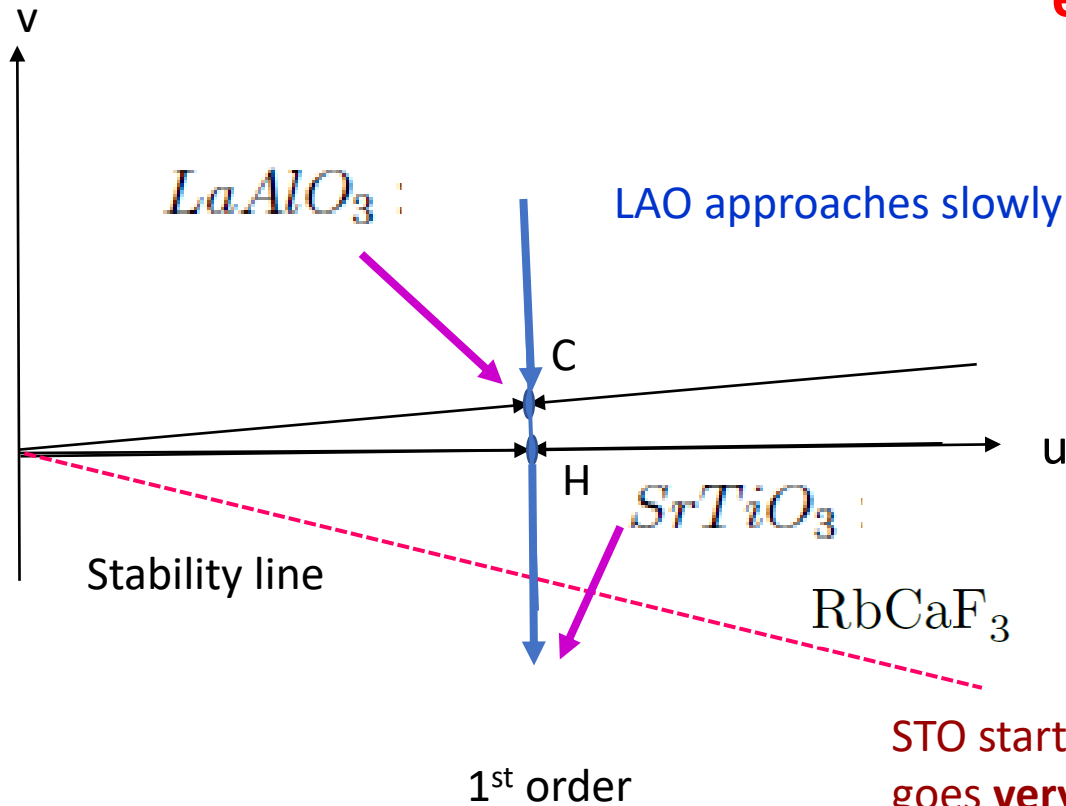
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What is predicted if  $n_c \propto 3$  ?

Exponents for the flow of  $v$  are very small (almost logarithmic) – always see  $v$ -dependent **effective exponents**

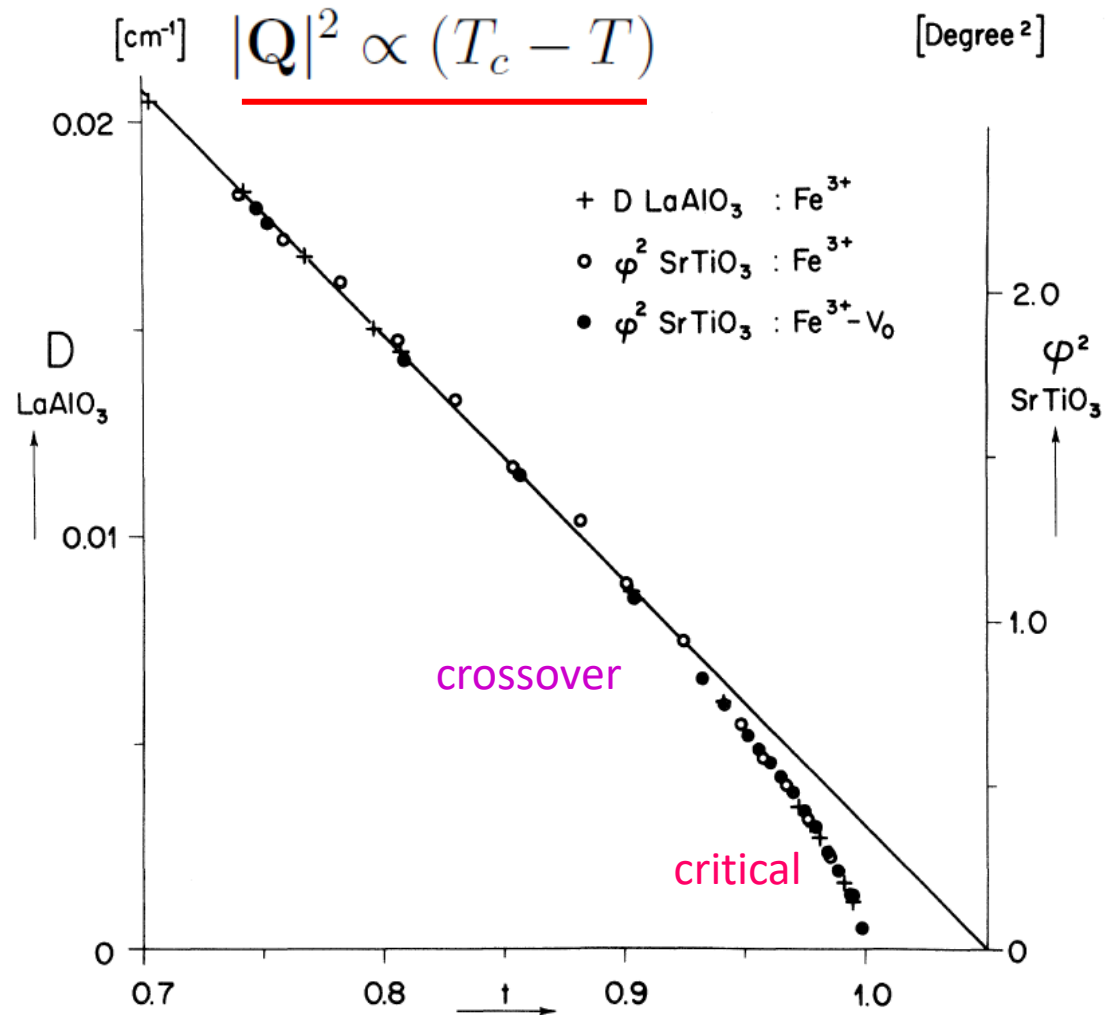


No Universality!

STO starts with **isotropic** exponents, but goes **very slowly** to 1<sup>st</sup> order

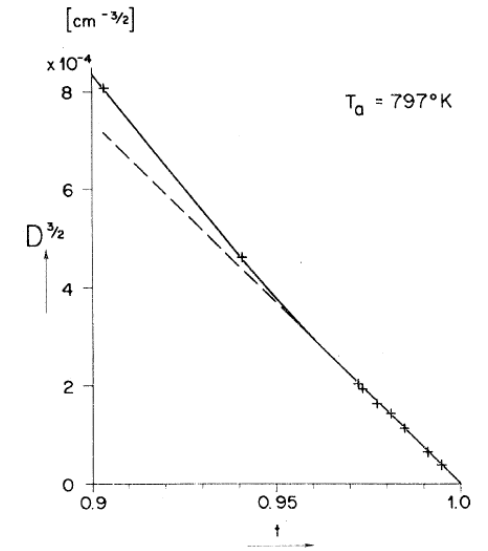
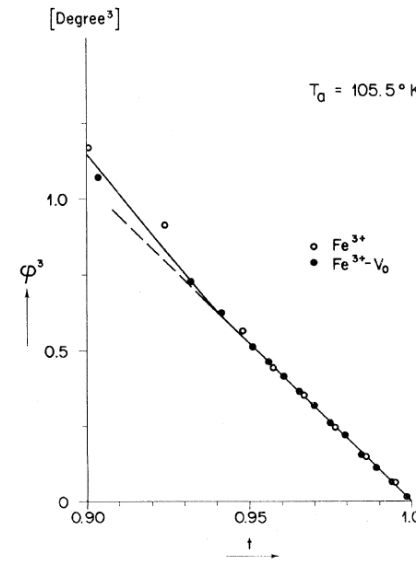
What about universality??

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$T_c$  is lowered, power law changes

$\varphi \propto \epsilon^\beta$ ,  $\epsilon = (T_a - T)/T_a$

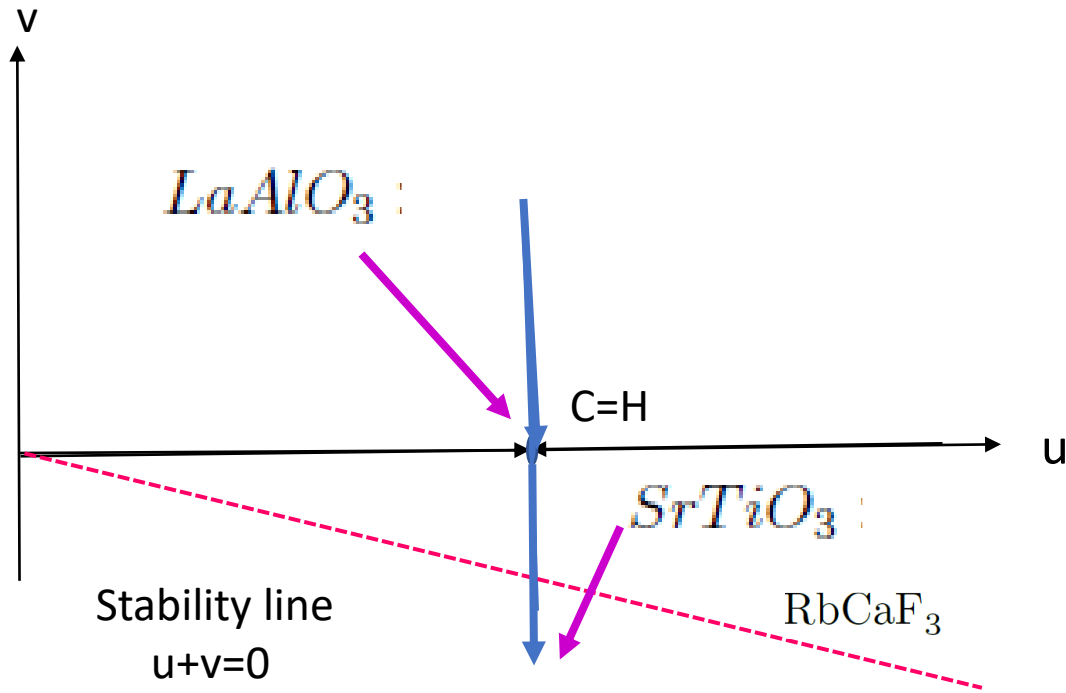


$\beta = 0.33 \pm 0.02$

Which universality class is this??

$$n_c = 3$$

**NEW!**



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$$\frac{dv}{d\ell} = \cancel{\lambda_v v} + A(u)v^2 + \dots$$

$$\frac{dv}{v^2} = A d\ell$$

$$\frac{1}{v(0)} - \frac{1}{v(\ell)} = A \ell$$

$$v(\ell) = \frac{v(0)}{1 - Av(0)\ell}$$

$$e^\ell = \xi/\xi(0) \propto t^{-\nu}$$

$$\ell \sim -\nu \log t + const.$$

**A < 0 ??**

# First order transitions, tricritical points

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## Structural Phase Transitions of RbCaF<sub>3</sub>

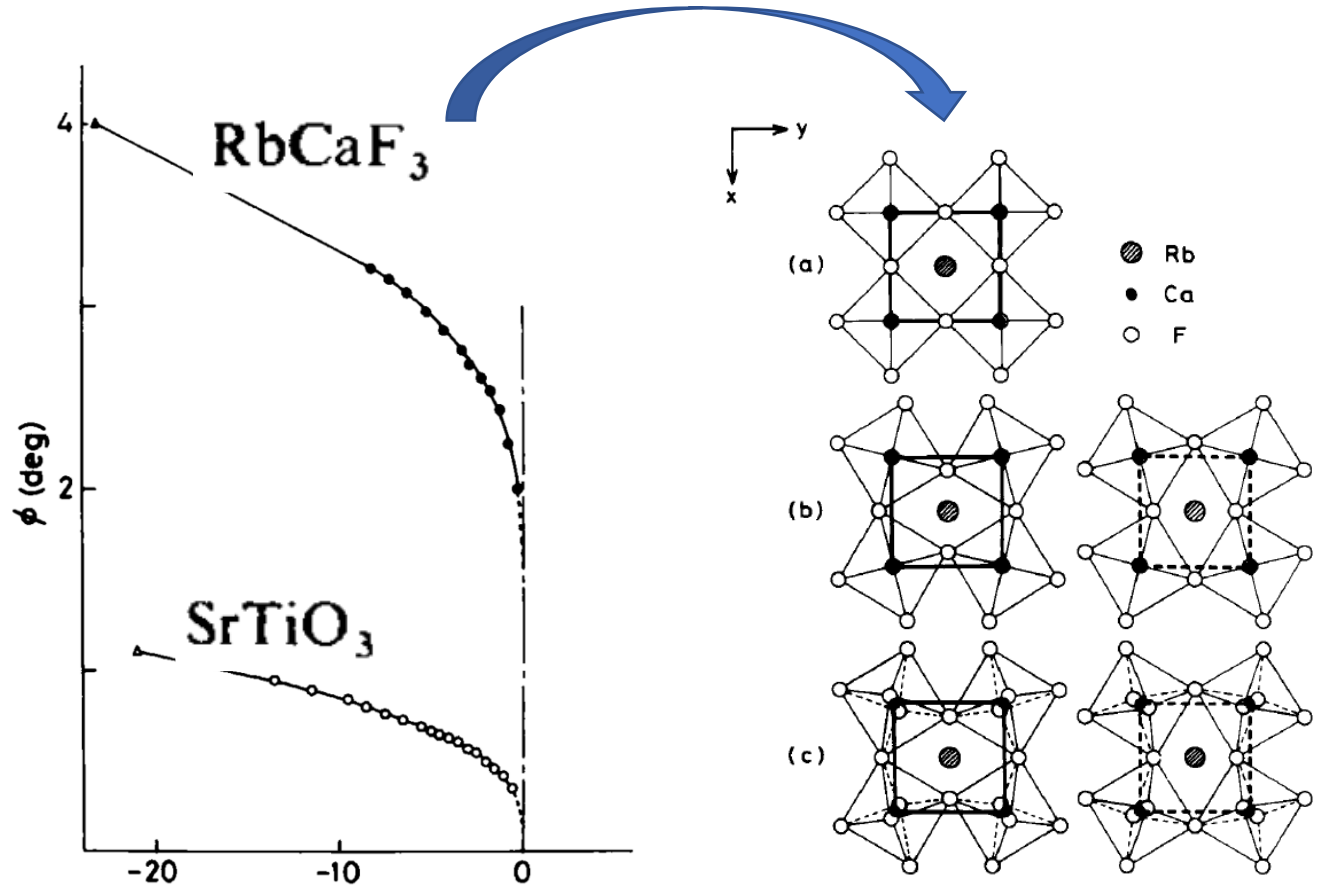
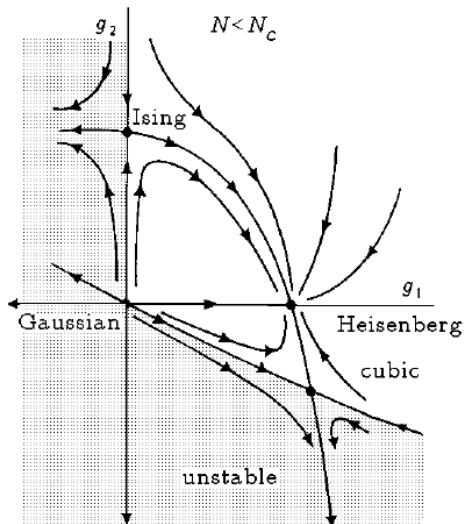
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$\text{KMnF}_3$ ,<sup>2</sup>  $\text{RbCaF}_3$ ,<sup>3</sup>  $\text{KCaF}_3$ ,<sup>4</sup> ...

Need scenarios that turn 2<sup>nd</sup> order transitions into 1<sup>st</sup> order ones  
**Fluctuation driven 1<sup>st</sup> order transitions**



Scenarios for fluctuation driven 1<sup>st</sup> order transitions: The role of irrelevant fields

Fluctuation-induced tricritical points

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$$\mathcal{H} = \int d^d x \left[ \frac{1}{2} |\vec{\nabla} \vec{S}|^2 + \frac{1}{2} r |\vec{S}|^2 + u_4 |\vec{S}|^4 + u_6 |\vec{S}|^6 + O(|\vec{S}|^8) \right],$$

$$\frac{dr}{dl} = 2r + 4(n+2)K_d u_4 (1-r),$$

$$\frac{du_4}{dl} = (4-d)u_4 + 3(n+4)K_d u_6 - 4(n+8)K_d u_4^2,$$

$$\frac{du_6}{dl} = (6-2d)u_6 - 12(n+14)K_d u_6 u_4,$$

$$t(l) = t(0) e^{2l/Q(l)^{(n+2)/(n+8)},$$

$$t(0) = r + 2(n+2)K_d \times [u_4 + 3(n+4)K_d u_6 / 2(d-2)]$$

$$\tilde{u}_4(l) = \tilde{u}_4(0) e^{(4-d)l/Q(l)},$$

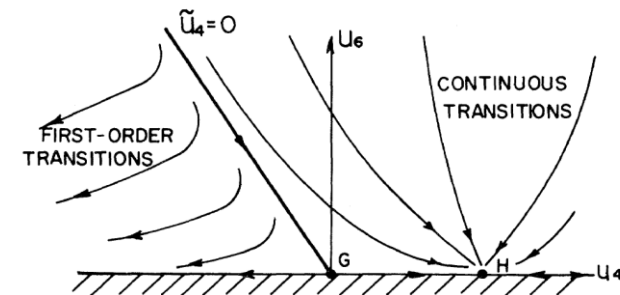
$$\tilde{u}_4(0) = u_4 + C(n)u_6$$

$$u_6(l) = u_6 e^{(6-2d)l/Q(l)^{3(n+14)/(n+8)},$$

$$u_6 > 0$$

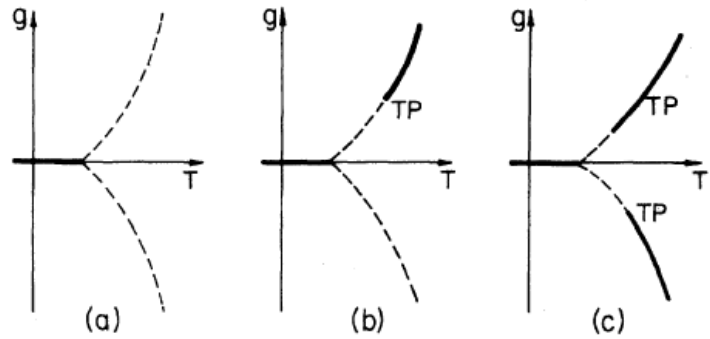
where

$$Q(l) = 1 + [\tilde{u}_4(0)/\tilde{u}_4^H](e^{\epsilon l} - 1).$$



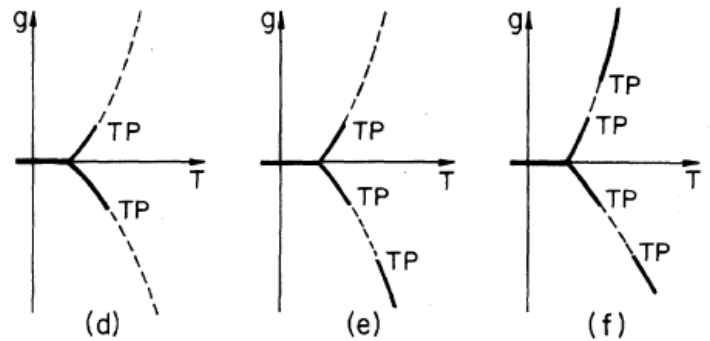
# Crossover from Fluctuation-Driven Continuous Transitions to First-Order Transitions

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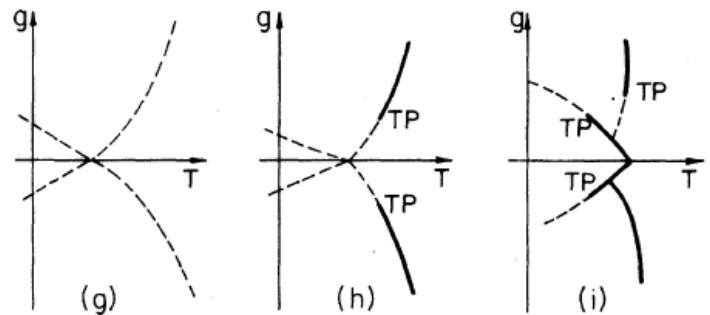
isotropic

$$\mathcal{H} = \int d^d x \left\{ \frac{1}{2} |\nabla \vec{S}|^2 + \frac{1}{2} r |\vec{S}|^2 + u_4 |\vec{S}|^4 + u_6 |\vec{S}|^6 + O(|\vec{S}|^8) \right\}$$



Cubic  
 $V < 0$

$$\bar{u}_4 = u_4 + C(n)u_6, \quad C(n) = \frac{3}{2}K_4(n+4)$$



$$\mathcal{H}_v = v \sum_{\alpha=1}^n (S^\alpha)^4$$

Cubic  
 $V > 0$

Fluctuation-induced tricritical points

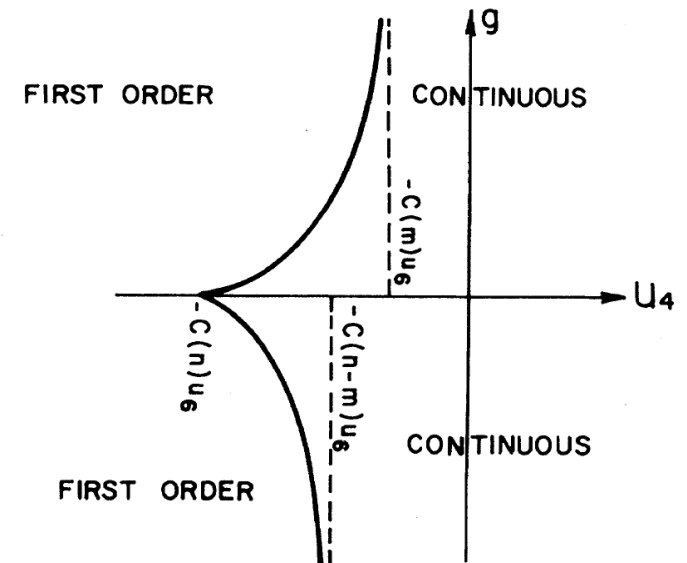
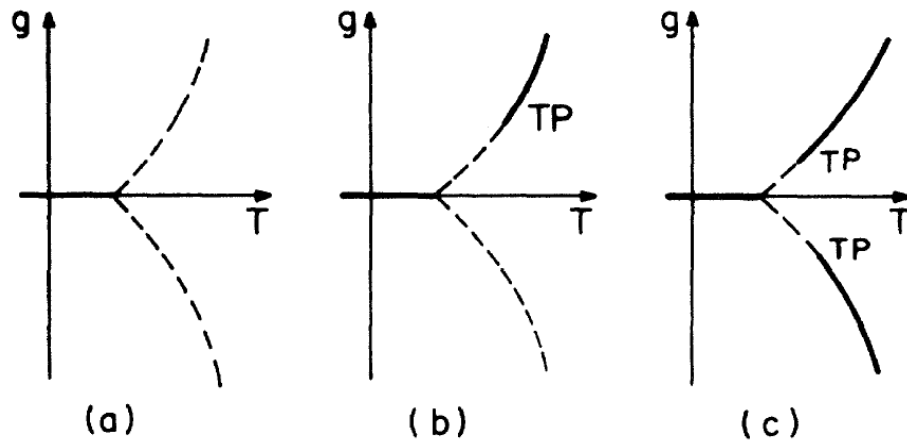
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We now add the *quadratic anisotropy*,

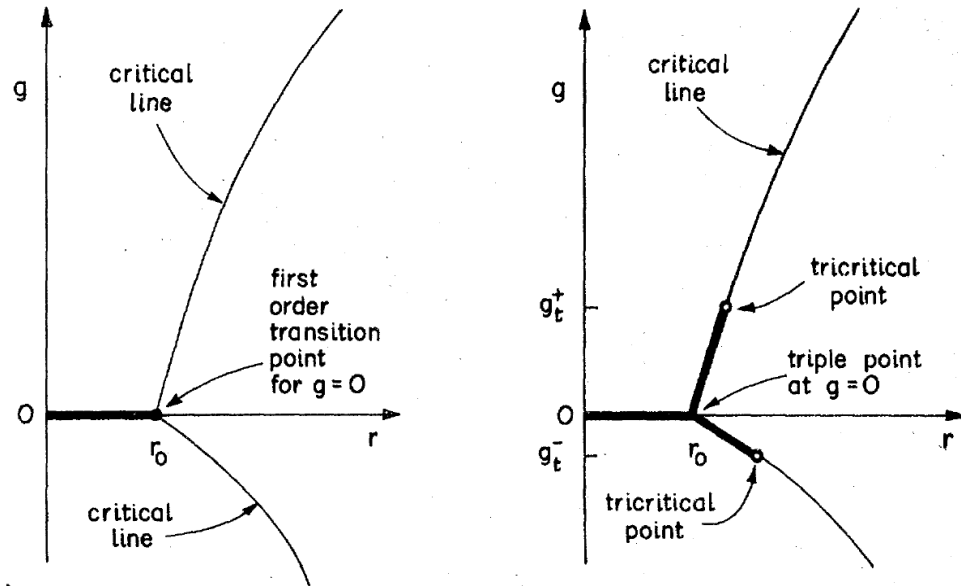
$$\mathcal{H}_g = \frac{1}{2}g \int d^d x [m |\vec{S}_{n-m}|^2 - (n-m) |\vec{S}_m|^2] / n$$



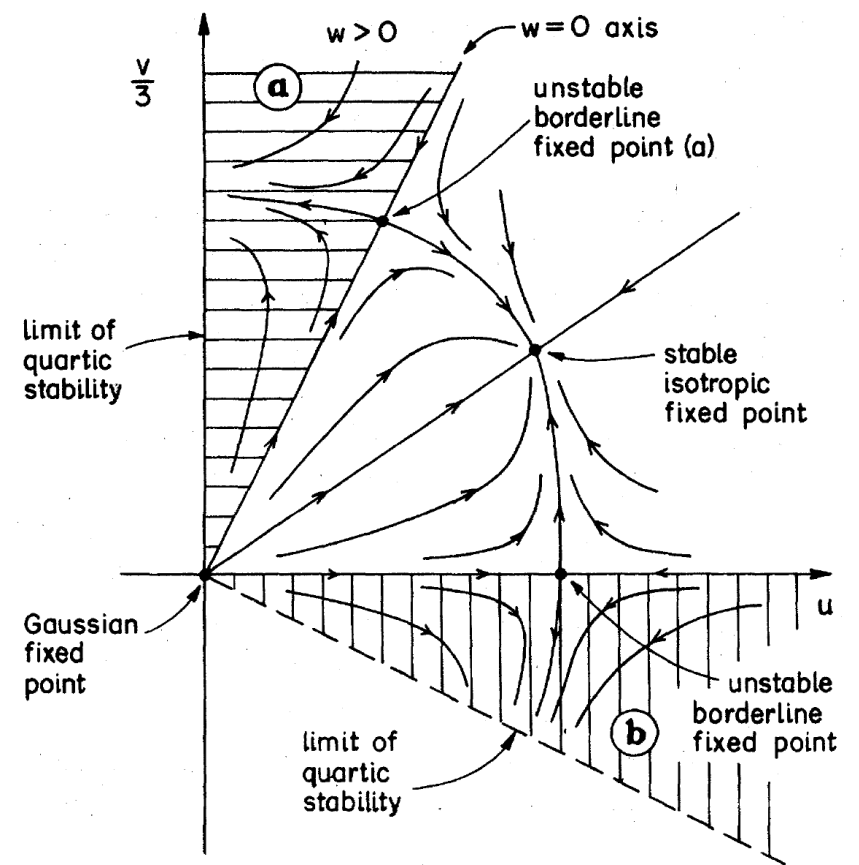
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Destruction of first-order transitions by symmetry-breaking fields

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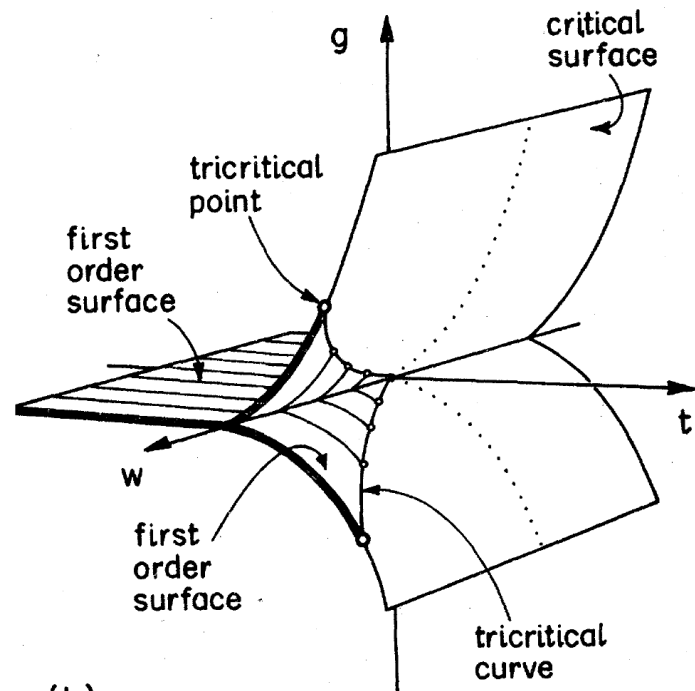


$$w = \begin{cases} v - 6u & \text{for } n=2, \\ v - 3u + O(\epsilon^2) & \text{for } n=3 \\ v - 2u & \text{for } n \geq 4, \end{cases}$$



$$\mathcal{H} = \int d\vec{R} \left( -\frac{1}{2} |\nabla \psi|^2 - \frac{1}{2} r_1 \sum_{\alpha=1}^m \psi_{\alpha}^2 - \frac{1}{2} r_2 \sum_{\alpha=m+1}^n \psi_{\alpha}^2 - u \sum_{\alpha=1}^n \psi_{\alpha}^4 - v \sum_{\alpha < \beta=1}^n \psi_{\alpha}^2 \psi_{\beta}^2 \right), \quad (2)$$

n  
 $r_1 = r - [1 - (m/n)]g$  and  $r_2 = r + (m/n)g$ .



$$f(t, g, w) \approx t^{2-\alpha} W(g/t^{\phi_g}, \omega/t^{\phi_w})$$



Unstable fixed point:  
Ising of cubic for

$$n < n_c$$

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## Weakly First-Order Phase Transitions: The $\epsilon$ Expansion vs Numerical Simulations in the Cubic Anisotropy Model

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In recent years, renewed interest in quantitative predictions for weakly first-order transitions has arisen in cosmology, specifically the genesis of matter. Current

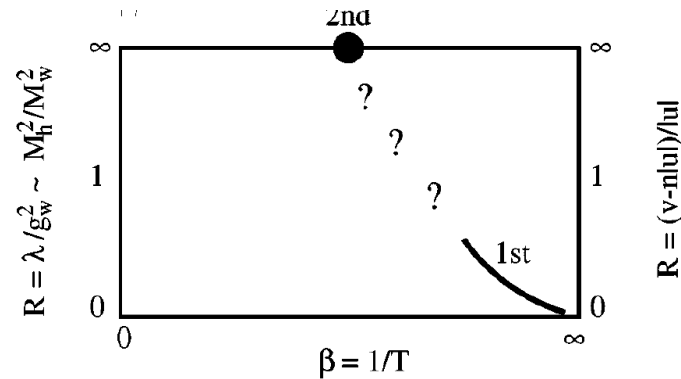


FIG. 1. Phase diagram of electroweak theory, or the cubic anisotropy model (for  $u \leq 0, v \geq 0$ ), based purely on analytic arguments. The left and right axes show the relevant ratio  $R$  of couplings for electroweak theory, or for the cubic anisotropy model, respectively.

$$S = \int d^d x \left( \frac{1}{2} |\partial \vec{\phi}|^2 + \frac{t}{2} |\vec{\phi}|^2 + \frac{u}{4!} |\vec{\phi}|^4 + \frac{v}{4!} \sum_{i=1}^n \phi_i^4 \right)$$

We shall focus on the simplest case,  $n = 2$ . This model is analogous to electroweak theory when  $u \leq 0$  and  $v \geq 0$ .

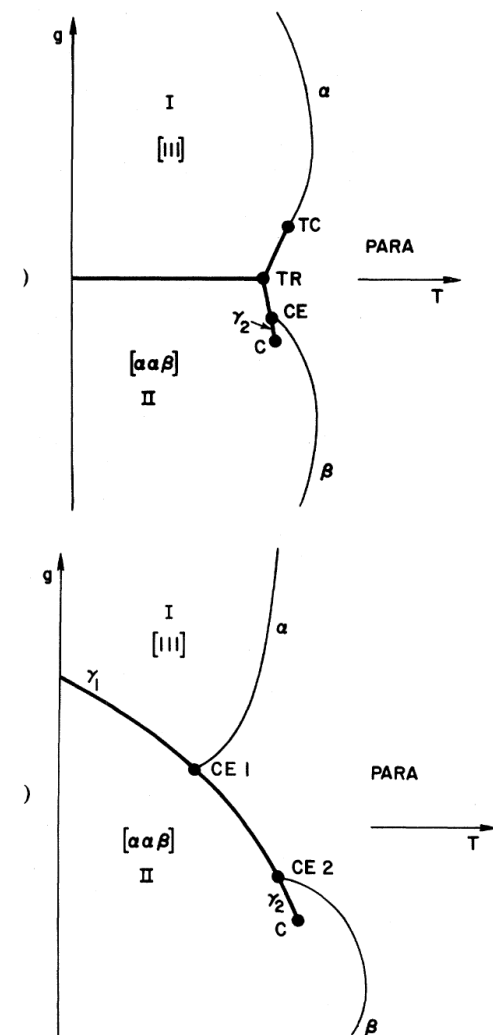
Fluctuation-induced first-order transitions and symmetry-breaking fields:  
The  $n = 3$ -component cubic model

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FIG. 3. (a) Schematic  $(g, T)$  phase diagram associated with the  $n = 3$  cubic model with easy axes along the cube diagonals ( $v - 2u < 0$ ) when the stable isotropic fixed point is not accessible ( $-u < v < 0$ ) [region (b) of Fig. 1]. Thin lines represent continuous transitions and thick lines represent first-order transitions. The point TC is tricritical, C is a critical point and CE a critical end point and TR is a triple point. (b) Schematic  $(g, T)$  phase diagram associated with the  $n = 3$  cubic model with easy axes along the cube edges ( $v - 2u > 0$ ) when the stable isotropic fixed point is not accessible ( $0 < u < v/3$ ) [region (a) of Fig. 1]. The points CE1 and CE2 are critical end points, C is a critical point.



**Critical behavior of amorphous magnets\***

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$$\bar{\mathcal{K}}_{\text{eff}} = - \int d^d R \left( \frac{1}{2} [r |\vec{\sigma}|^2 + |\vec{\nabla} \vec{\sigma}|^2] + u |\vec{\sigma}|^4 + v \sum_{\alpha=1}^n |\vec{S}_\alpha|^4 + w \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{\alpha, \beta=1}^n S_{\alpha i}^2 S_{\beta i}^2 + y \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{\alpha=1}^n S_{\alpha i}^4 + \dots \right).$$

TABLE II. Fixed points and exponents (to order  $\epsilon$ ) for random cubic case,  $n=0$ .

Fixed point	$4K_4 u^*$	$4K_4 v^*$	$4K_4 w^*$	$4K_4 y^*$	Exponents
I. Gaussian	0	0	0	0	$\lambda_u = \lambda_v = \lambda_w = \lambda_y = \epsilon$
II. Decoupled $m$ -component	0	$\frac{\epsilon}{m+8}$	0	0	$\lambda_v = -\epsilon, \lambda_u = \frac{4-m}{m+8} \epsilon, \lambda_w = \frac{m+4}{m+8} \epsilon, \lambda_y = \frac{m-4}{m+8} \epsilon$
III. Isotropic $n=0$	$\epsilon/8$	0	0	0	$\lambda_u = -\epsilon, \lambda_v = \lambda_w = \lambda_y = -\epsilon/2$
IV. Decoupled $n=0$	0	0	$\epsilon/8$	0	$\lambda_u = \lambda_v = \epsilon/2, \lambda_w = -\epsilon, \lambda_y = -\epsilon/2$
V. Decoupled Ising	0	0	0	$\epsilon/9$	$\lambda_u = \lambda_v = \lambda_w = \epsilon/3, \lambda_y = -\epsilon$
VI. Mixed $(0, m)$	$\frac{(m-4)\epsilon}{16(m-1)}$	$\frac{\epsilon}{4(m-1)}$	0	0	$\lambda_1 = -\epsilon, \lambda_2 = \lambda_3 = \frac{m-4}{4(m-1)} \epsilon, \lambda_w = \frac{m+4}{4(m-1)} \epsilon$
VII. Mixed $(m, 0)$	$\epsilon/4$	0	$-\epsilon/4$	0	$\lambda_1 = \lambda_v = -\epsilon, \lambda_3 = \lambda_y = \epsilon$
VIII. Decoupled $m$ -component cubic	0	$\frac{\epsilon}{3m}$	0	$\frac{m-4}{9m} \epsilon$	$\lambda_u = \lambda_2 = \frac{4-m}{3m} \epsilon, \lambda_w = \frac{m+4}{3m} \epsilon, \lambda_4 = -\epsilon$
IX.	$\frac{m-4}{24(m-2)} \epsilon$	$\frac{\epsilon}{6(m-2)}$	0	$\frac{m-4}{18(m-2)} \epsilon$	$\lambda_1 = -\epsilon, \lambda_2 = \frac{m-4}{6(m-2)} \epsilon, \lambda_w = \frac{m+4}{6(m-2)} \epsilon, \lambda_4 = \frac{4-m}{6(m-2)} \epsilon$
X.	$\epsilon/12$	0	$-\epsilon/12$	$\epsilon/9$	$\lambda_1 = -\epsilon, \lambda_v = \lambda_3 = -\epsilon/3, \lambda_4 = \epsilon/3$
XI. $(\alpha_+, \beta_+)$	$\frac{\alpha_\pm \epsilon^2}{2A_{\pm\pm}}$	$\frac{\epsilon}{2A_{\pm\pm}}$	$\frac{m+4}{8A_{\pm\pm}} \epsilon$	$\frac{\beta_\pm \epsilon}{2A_{\pm\pm}}$	$\lambda_1 = -\epsilon$ ; for other exponents see text [Eq. (58)]
XII. $(\alpha_+, \beta_-)$					
VIII. $(\alpha_-, \beta_+)$					
XIV. $(\alpha_-, \beta_-)$					

Random cubic case,  $n=0, m=d=3$

<sup>a</sup> $\alpha_\pm = [m - 4 \pm (m^2 + 48)^{1/2}] / 8, \beta_\pm = -[m + 12 \pm (m^2 + 48)^{1/2}] / 6, A_{\pm\pm} = 6\alpha_\pm + 3\beta_\pm + m + 6.$

## Cubic symmetry in the quadratic terms

$$\mathcal{H}_0^f = \frac{f_0}{2} \sum_{\alpha} \int_{\mathbf{k}}^{\Lambda} k_{\alpha}^2 |Q_{\alpha}(\mathbf{k})|^2$$

$$R_{ij}(\mathbf{k}) = [a(T - T_c) + \lambda(k^2 + fk_i^2)]\delta_{ij} + \lambda h k_i k_j (1 - \delta_{ij}) \quad (\text{I.4.40})$$

and the coefficients  $\lambda$ ,  $f$  and  $h$  have been measured for SrTiO<sub>3</sub> by Stirling (1972) from the anisotropy in the phonon dispersion relations about the  $R$  point, with the results

$$\lambda = 216 \pm 20 (\text{THz } \text{\AA})^2, \quad f = -0.97 \pm 0.01, \quad h = 0.19 \pm 0.04$$

showing a very large degree of anisotropy.

Negative  $f$  reflects the small fluctuations along the axis of rotation

**Critical Behavior of Magnets with Dipolar Interactions. III. Antiferromagnets**

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$$n = d = 4 - \epsilon$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathcal{H}}_0 = & -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha\beta} \int_{\vec{q}} U_2^{0,\alpha\beta}(\vec{q}) \sigma_{\vec{q}}^\alpha \sigma_{-\vec{q}}^\beta - \sum_{\alpha\beta} (u_0 + \delta_{\alpha\beta} v_0) \\ & \times \int_{\vec{q}} \int_{\vec{q}_1} \int_{\vec{q}_2} \sigma_{\vec{q}}^\alpha \sigma_{\vec{q}_1}^\alpha \sigma_{\vec{q}_2}^\beta \sigma_{-\vec{q}-\vec{q}_1-\vec{q}_2}^\beta, \end{aligned}$$

$$U_2^{0,\alpha\beta}(\vec{q}) = [r_0 + q^2 - f_0(q^\alpha)^2] \delta_{\alpha\beta} + h_0 q^\alpha q^\beta,$$

$$r_0 = \tilde{r} k T / \tilde{J} \pi^2 = k(T - T_0) / \tilde{J} \pi^2, \quad k T_0 = c |J|$$

$$\begin{aligned} u_{i+1} = & b^\epsilon \{ u_i - 4K_4 \ln b [(12 + 6h_i)u_i^2 \\ & + (6 + 3h_i)u_i v_i] + 4K_4 \ln b \\ & \times f_i [ \frac{57}{10} u_i^2 + 3u_i v_i ] + O(u_i^3, u_i^2 h_i^2, u_i^2 f_i^2, \dots) \} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} v_{i+1} = & b^\epsilon \{ v_i - 4K_4 \ln b [(12 + 5h_i)u_i v_i \\ & + (9 + \frac{9}{2} h_i)v_i^2] + 4K_4 \ln b \\ & \times f_i [ 6u_i v_i + \frac{9}{2} v_i^2 ] + O(v_i^3, v_i^2 f_i^2, \dots) \} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_{i+1} = & b^{-\eta_i} \{ [1 + K_4^2 (\frac{80}{3} u_i^2 - \frac{256}{9} u_i v_i + 24v_i^2) \ln b] f_i \\ & + K_4^2 (\frac{128}{3} u_i v_i - 24v_i^2) \ln b h_i \} \\ = & b^{-\eta_i^f} f_i + b^{-\eta_i} K_4^2 (\frac{128}{3} u_i v_i - 24v_i^2) \ln b h_i, \end{aligned}$$

$$\eta_i^f = K_4^2 (\frac{64}{3} u_i^2 + \frac{688}{9} u_i v_i) \quad \text{Isotropic:} \quad \eta^f = \frac{1}{108} \epsilon^2 + O(\epsilon^3)$$



*f* is irrelevant near zero, highly relevant near 1

## On the decay of anisotropy approaching the critical point

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$$\frac{H}{k_{\text{B}}T} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha} \int_q (r_{0\alpha} + q^2 - fq_{\alpha}^2) Q_{\alpha}^q Q_{-q}^{\alpha} + \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \int_{q_1} \int_{q_2} \int_{q_3} (u_0 + v_0 \delta_{\alpha\beta}) Q_{q_1}^{\alpha} Q_{q_2}^{\alpha} Q_{q_3}^{\beta} Q_{-q_1-q_2-q_3}^{\beta}$$

$f$  pushes  $v$  to more negative values before it decays



1<sup>st</sup> order transition

Should not expand in  $f$  if close to 1 ( $f=1$  means 2D behavior?)



# Tricritical Behavior in Uniaxially Stressed RbCaF<sub>3</sub>

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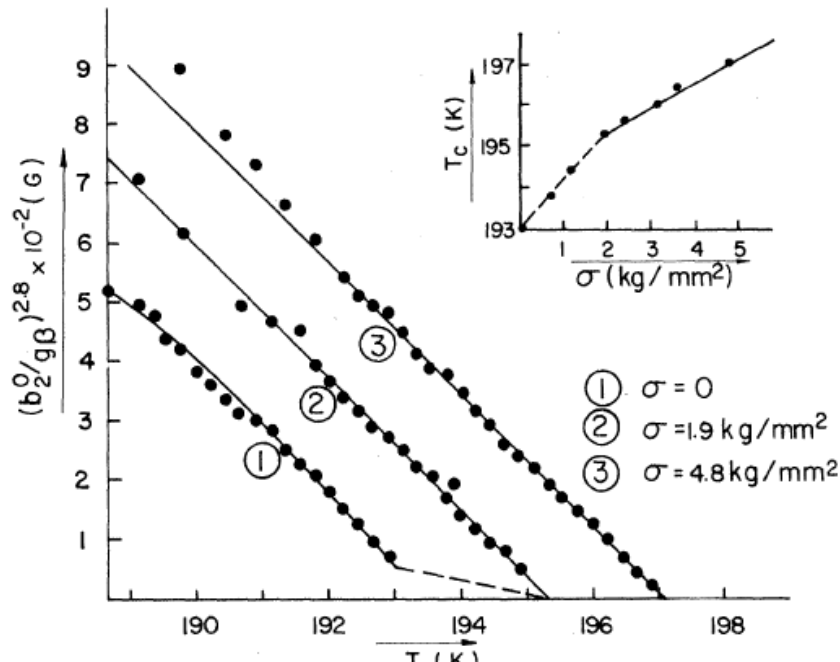
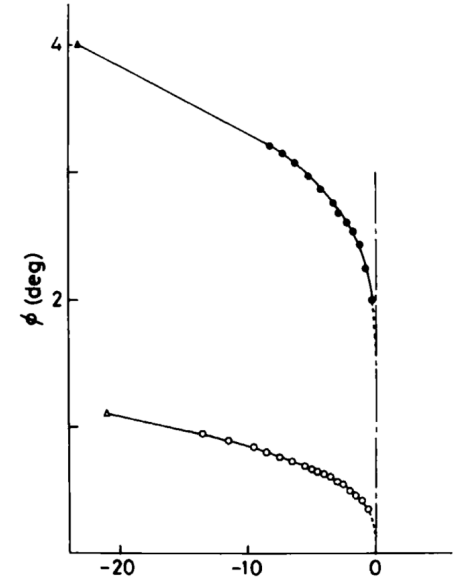
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$$\beta_c \approx 0.32 \quad (\text{Ising?})$$

$$\beta_t \approx 0.18 \quad (\text{Lifshitz Ising TCP?})$$

Normal Ising TCP?)

## Lifshitz-Point Critical and Tricritical Behavior in Anisotropically Stressed Perovskites

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$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^n \int_{\vec{q}} U_{2,\alpha}(\vec{q}) Q_{\alpha}(\vec{q}) Q_{\alpha}(-\vec{q}) + \sum_{\alpha,\beta=1}^n (u + v \delta_{\alpha\beta}) \int_{\vec{q}_1} \int_{\vec{q}_2} \int_{\vec{q}_3} Q_{\alpha}(\vec{q}_1) Q_{\alpha}(\vec{q}_2) Q_{\beta}(\vec{q}_3) Q_{\beta}(-\vec{q}_1 - \vec{q}_2 - \vec{q}_3)$$

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Cubic:  $U_{2,\alpha}(\vec{q}) = r_{\alpha} + q_{\perp,\alpha}^2 + \underline{aq_{\alpha}^{2L}}$        $r_{\alpha} = A(T - T_0)$        $q_{\perp,\alpha}^2 \equiv q^2 - q_{\alpha}^2$

$a$  close to 0.01 for both  $\text{KMnF}_3$  and  $\text{RbCaF}_3$  for  $L = 1$

If  $L$  is infinite – two dimensional fluctuations only. Otherwise – **Lifshitz** behavior

*critical Lifshitz point.*

$$d_c = 5 - 1/L \quad d = d_c - \epsilon_c$$

$$\beta_c = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{8}\epsilon_c + O(\epsilon_c^2) = \frac{1}{2[1 + \frac{1}{3}\epsilon_c]} + O(\epsilon_c^2).$$

*tricritical Lifshitz point.*

$$d_t = 4 - 1/L \quad \epsilon_t \equiv d_t - d$$

$$\beta_t = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}\epsilon_t + O(\epsilon_t^2) = \frac{1}{4(1 + \epsilon_t)} + O(\epsilon_t^2)$$

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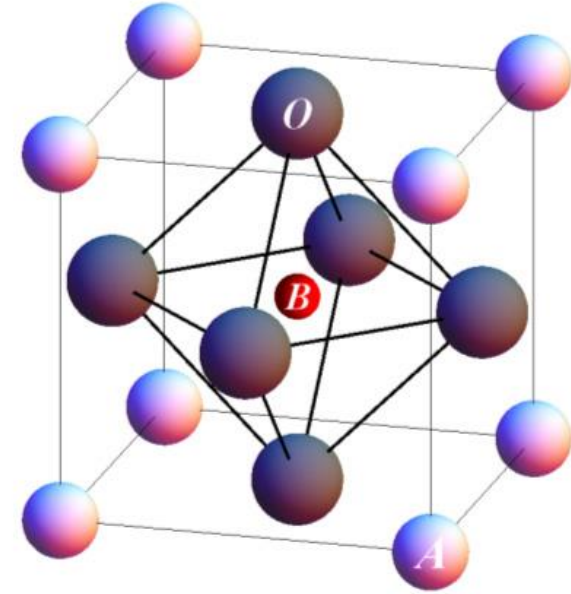
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multiferroic

## Remaining issues

- There is much more than exponents: scaling functions, amplitudes, multicritical points, crossover exponents, effective exponents – the importance of irrelevant operators
- What happens if  $n_c = 3$  ? Log corrections?
- More work needed on Lifshitz critical and tricritical points
- The line  $n=d$  should be followed for many physical problems
- More work is needed on predicting and promoting calculations and experiments near the multicritical points of cubic systems
- Communications between CFT, conformal bootstrap and condensed matter physics are useful; let's continue!



**Thank you**

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