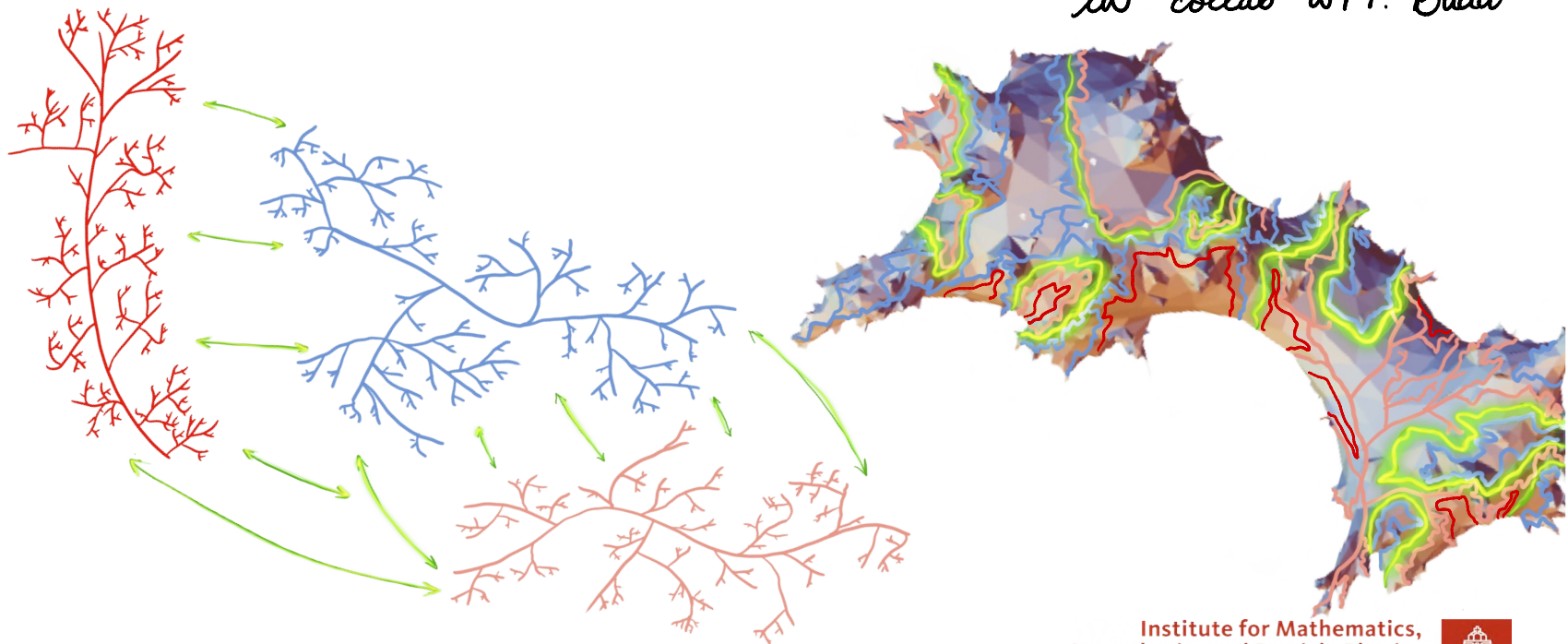


Scale invariant random geometries from mating of trees

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Basics of Quantum Gravity

16 May 2023 to 16 November 2023

Europe/Zurich timezone



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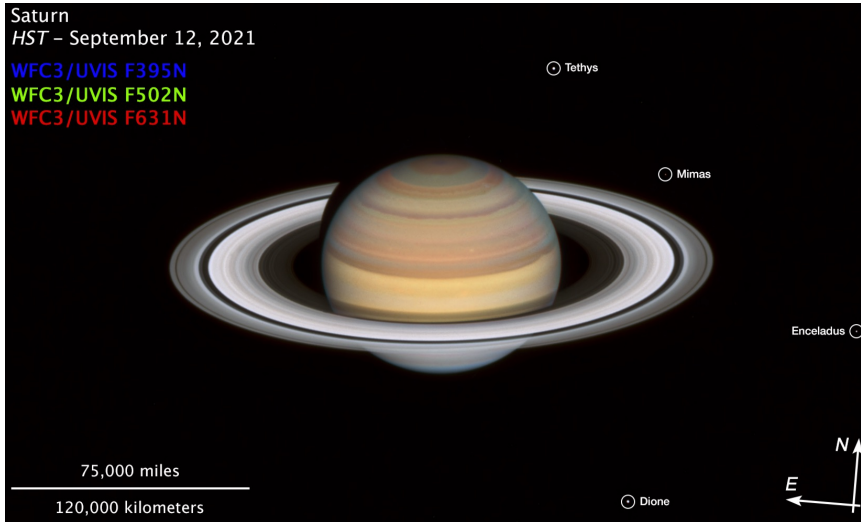


The **Basics of Quantum Gravity** online school is a series of lectures on the key concepts and techniques involved in the research of Quantum Gravity. It is dedicated to young researchers who are tackling this great challenge in theoretical physics. The goal is to bridge several paths and approaches to quantum gravity and provide young researchers with the tools to work on all of these frameworks and utilize various formalisms.

The launching lecture for this event will take place on May 16th. The event will run throughout Europe's spring and summer of 2023, featuring lectures on String Theory, Loop Gravity, the perturbative and non-perturbative renormalization flow of General Relativity, and quantum information in Gravity. Additional lectures on other topics will be planned for the fall and winter.

This is an initiative by the [International Society for Quantum Gravity](#). It will be followed by a series of workshops on more advanced topics.

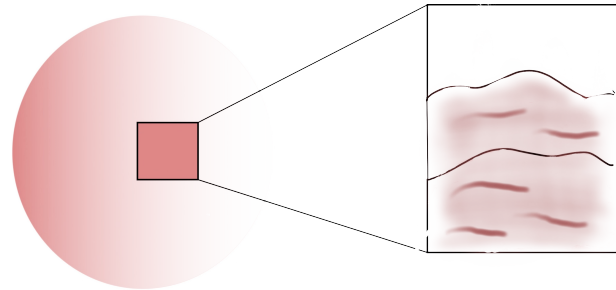
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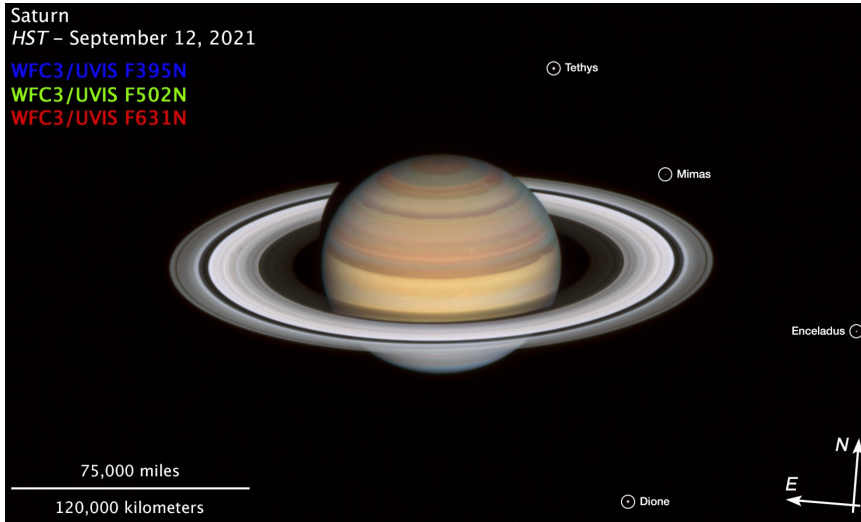
Classical Gravity
works here



+ quantum perturbations + very high energy



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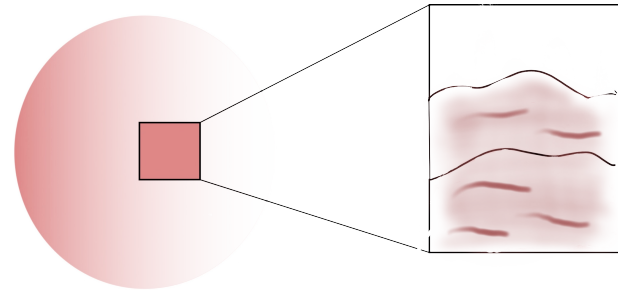


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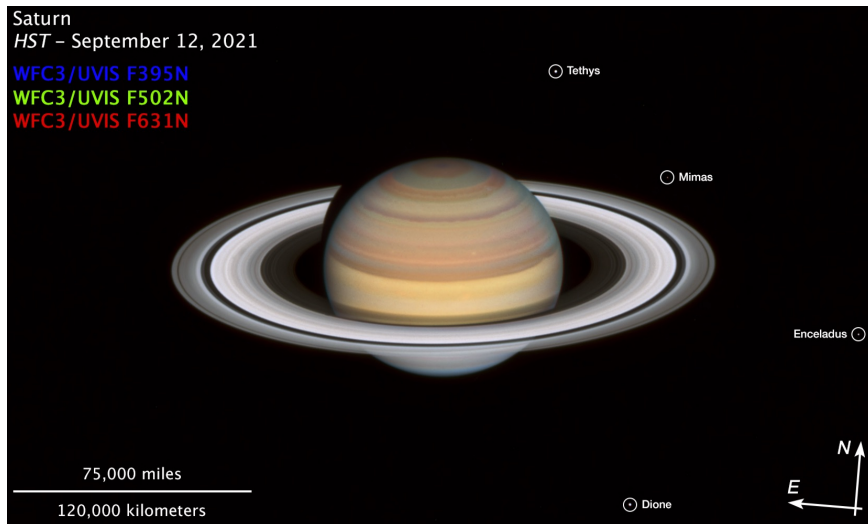
$$Prob(\text{[spiral image]} | \text{[grid image]}) = ?$$

No predictivity!

+ quantum perturbations + very high energy

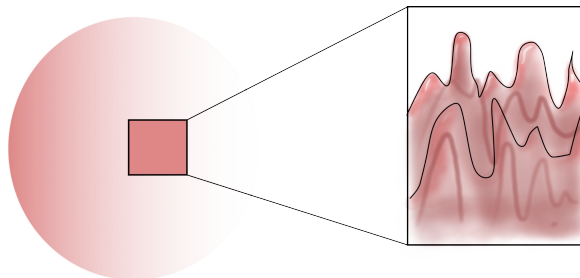


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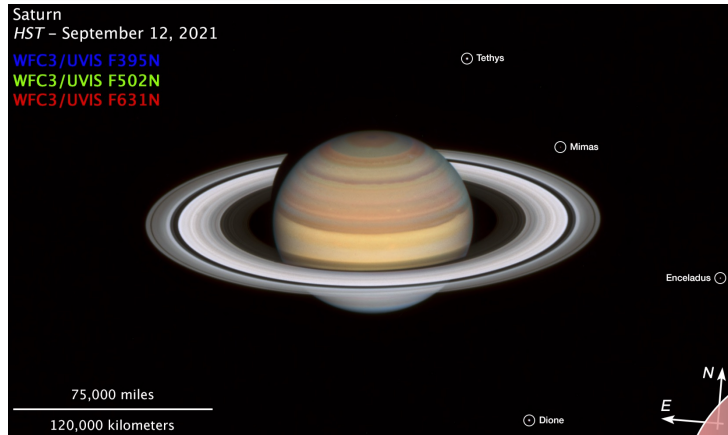
ASYMPTOTIC SAFETY

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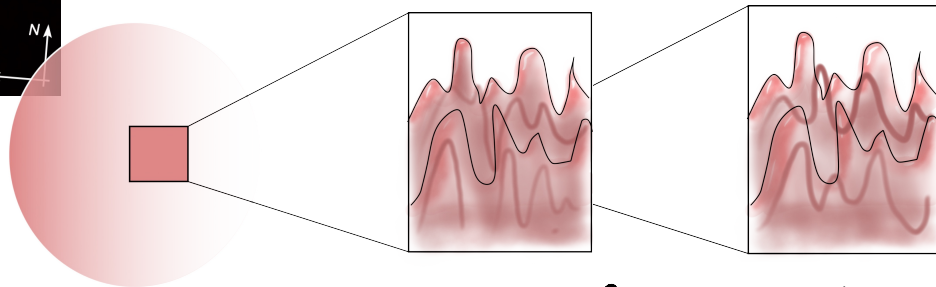


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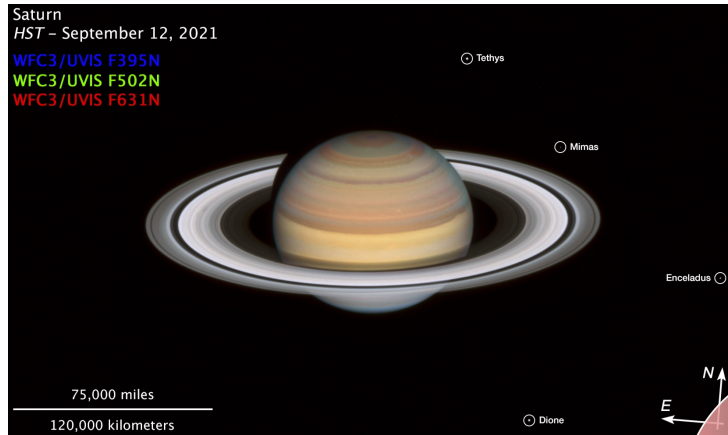
scale invariance $\Rightarrow$ Predictive!

fixed point of
RG flow

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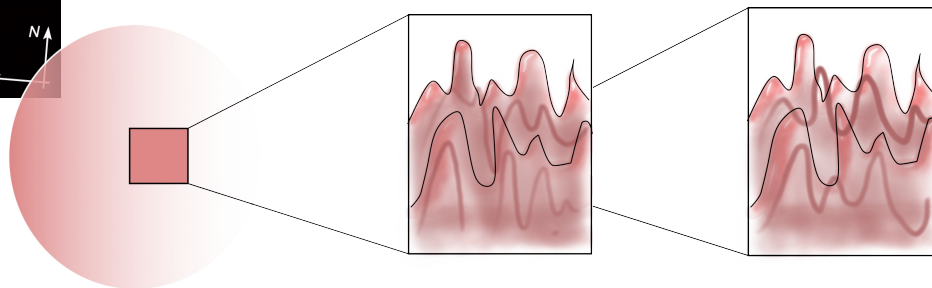
DYNAMICAL
TRIANGULATIONS

ASYMPTOTIC SAFETY



✦ non-perturbative! ✦

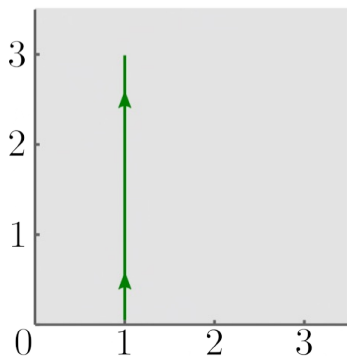
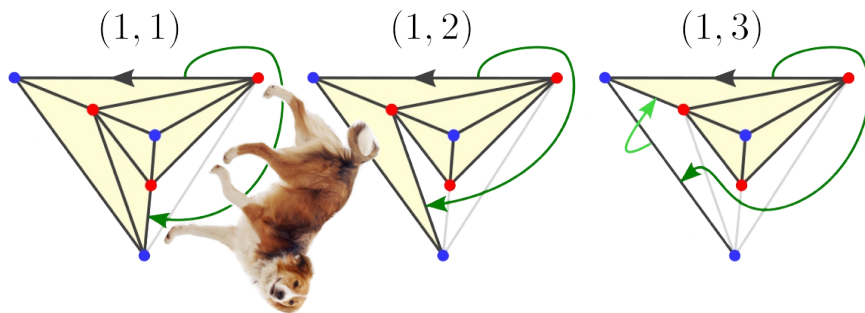
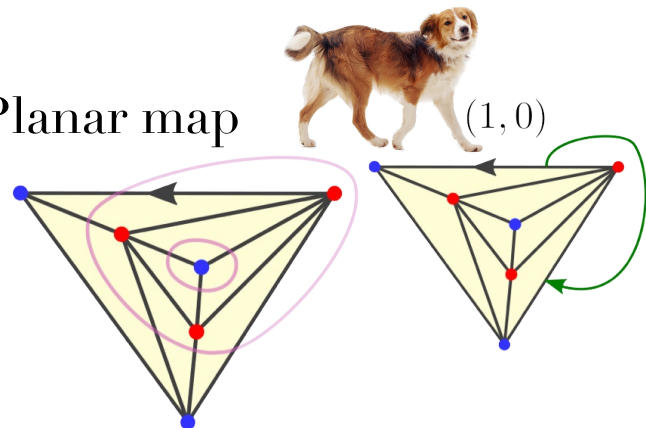
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Spacetime @ fixed point

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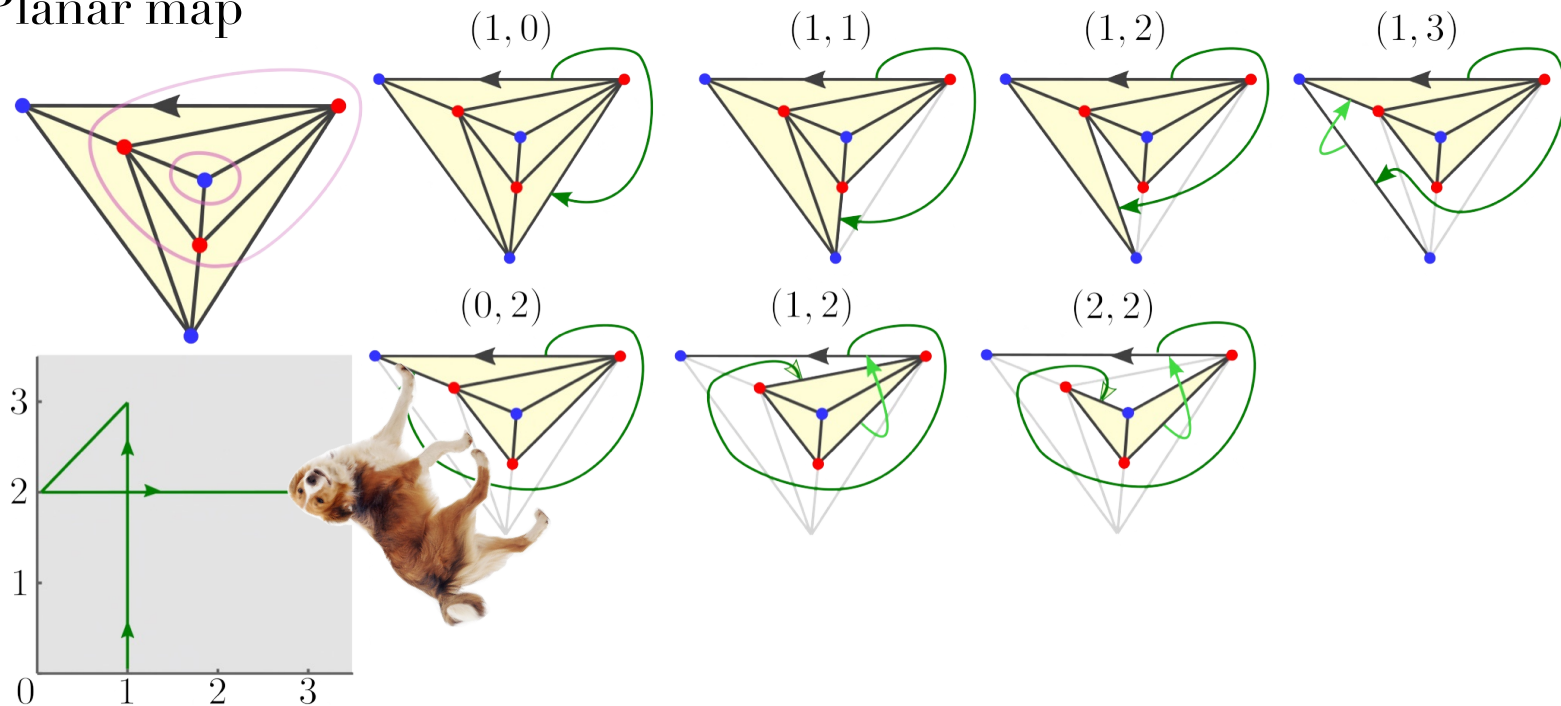
Planar map



Walk

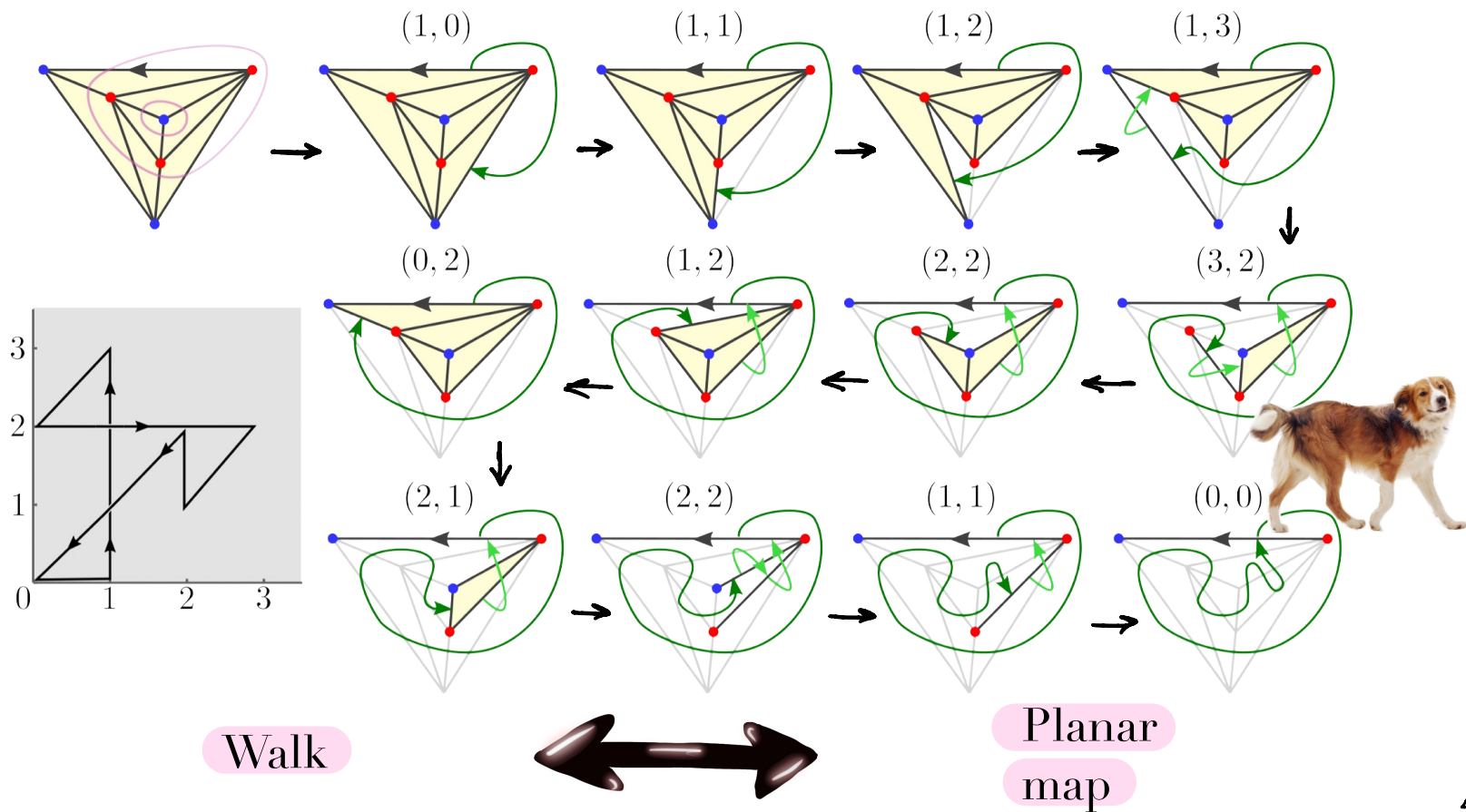
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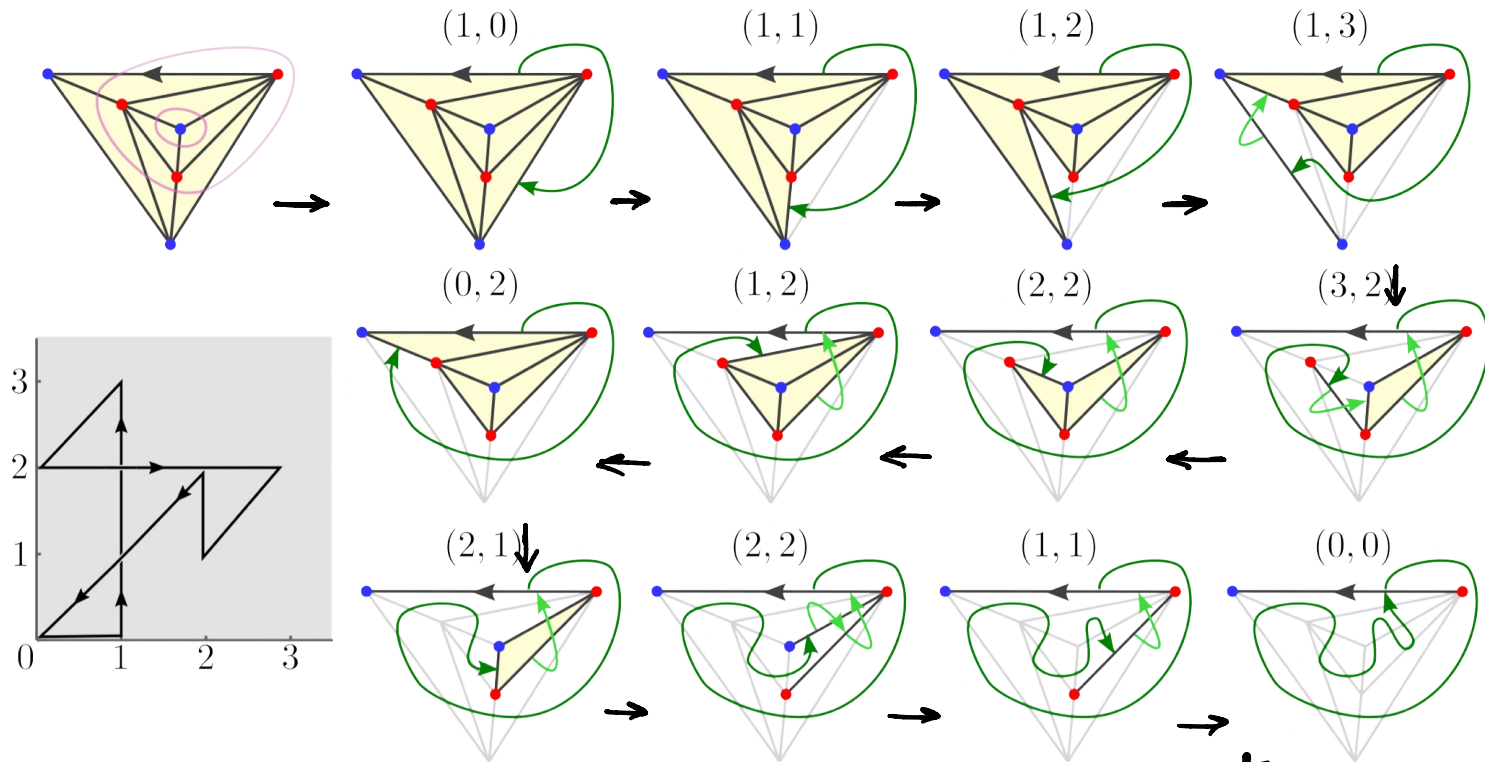


Walk

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count
Walks
 $\underline{n}$ steps

$$\mathcal{Z}_n = \frac{4^n}{(n+1)(2n+1)} \binom{3n}{n} \underset{n \rightarrow \infty}{\sim} \sqrt{\frac{3}{16\pi}} 3^{3n} n^{-5/2}.$$

count
Planar
maps $\underline{n}$ vertices.

Random walk



Random planar map



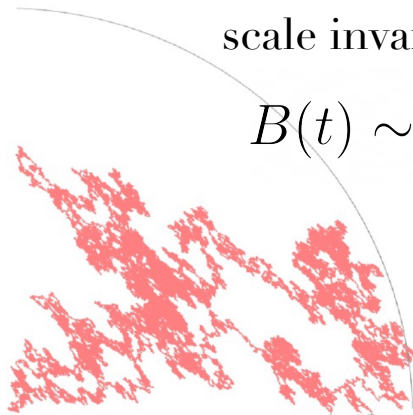
scaling limit
 $n \rightarrow \infty$

Brownian

Motion

scale invariant!

$$B(t) \sim \frac{1}{a} B(a^2 t)$$



Random walk



Random planar map

scaling limit
 $n \rightarrow \infty$



Random walk



Random planar map



LIIOUVILLE QUANTUM GRAVITY

$$S_L = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d^2x \sqrt{\hat{g}} \left(\hat{g}^{ab} \partial_a \phi \partial_b \phi + Q \hat{R} \phi + 4\pi \hat{\mu} e^{\gamma \phi} \right)$$

$$\hat{\mu} > 0$$

$$Q = \frac{\gamma}{2} + \frac{2}{\gamma}$$

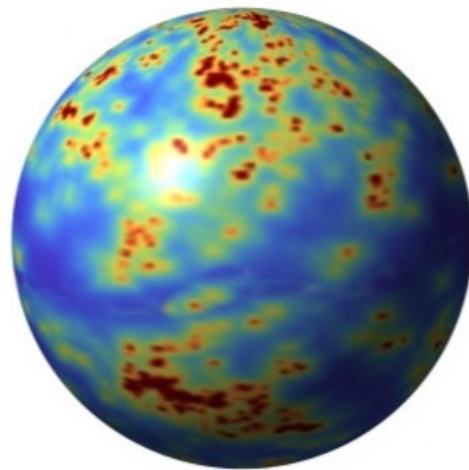
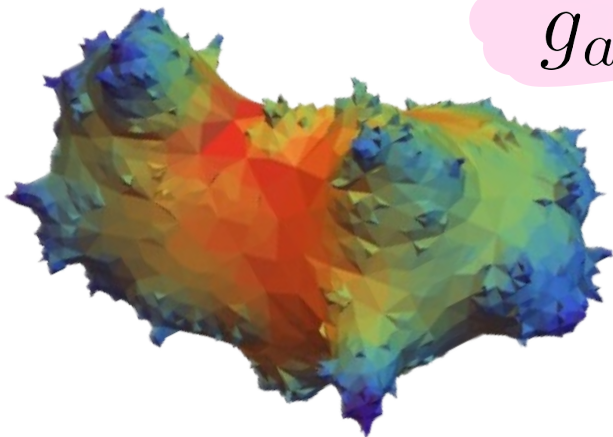
$$\gamma \in (0, 2)$$

gaussian
tree
field

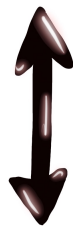
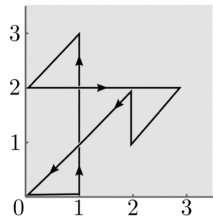
$$g_{ab} = e^{\gamma \phi} \hat{g}_{ab}$$

scaling limit

Path integral
 e^{-S_L}

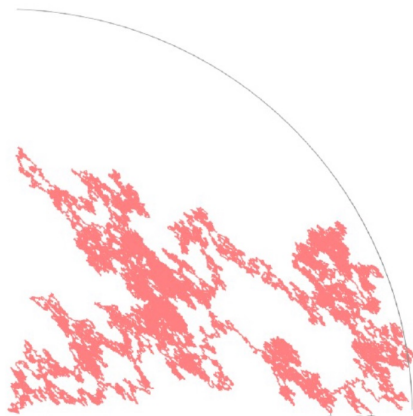


Random walk

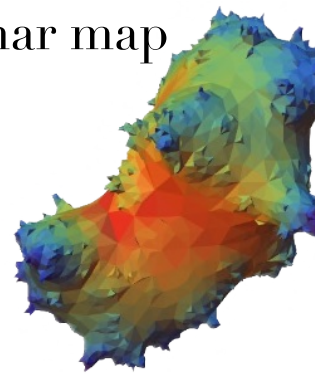


scaling limit
 $n \rightarrow \infty$

Brownian
Motion

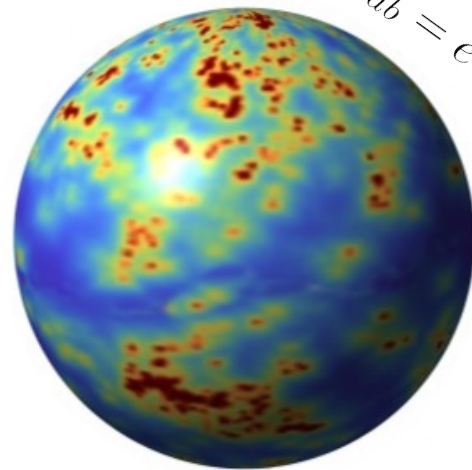


Random planar map



scaling limit
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Random
Surface



$$g_{ab} = e^{\gamma\phi} \hat{g}_{ab}$$

Random walk



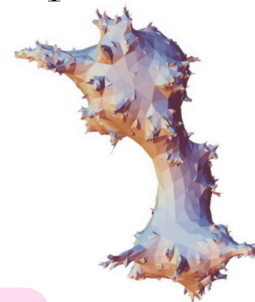
Brownian
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Random graph

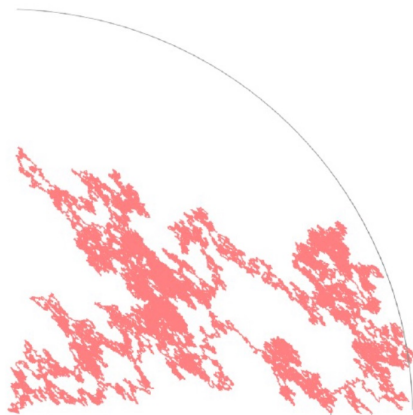
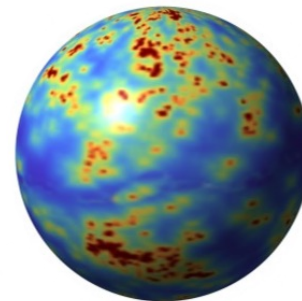


Random
Surface



scale invariant?

$$Z_n^* \stackrel{n \rightarrow \infty}{\sim} C K^n n^{\gamma_s - 2}$$

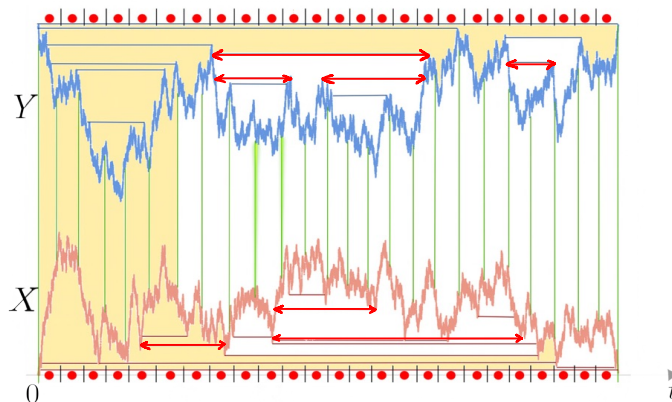
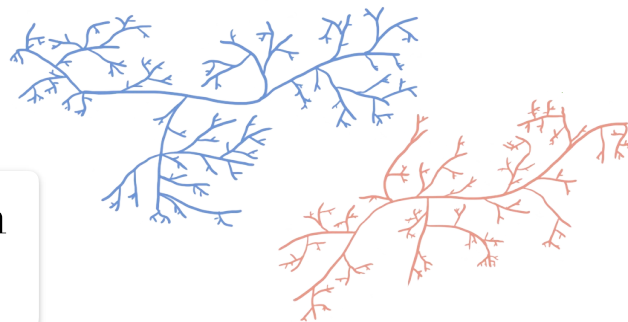
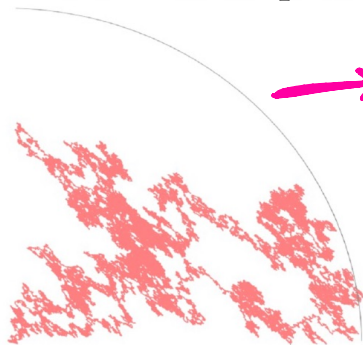


The answer: MATING OF TREES

tree bijection!

2D Brownian
Motion

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = -\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\gamma^2\right)$$



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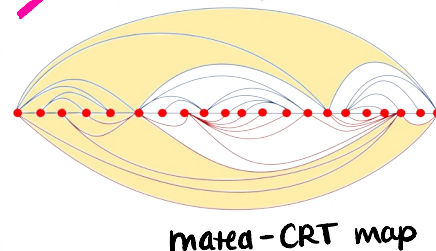
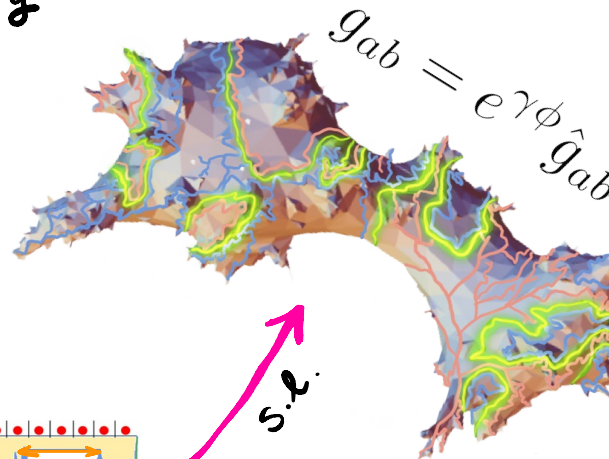
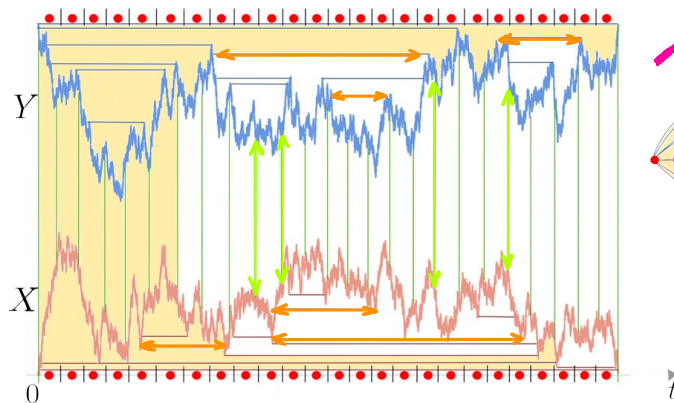
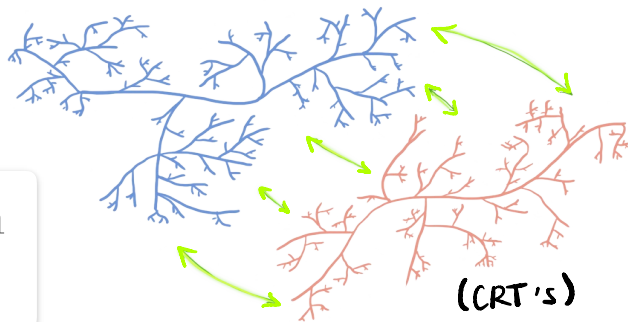
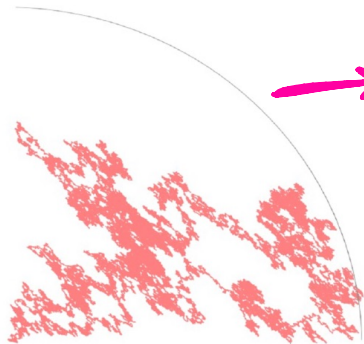
Scale Invariant
Random Surface

$$\gamma_s = 1 - 4/\gamma^2$$

string susceptibility

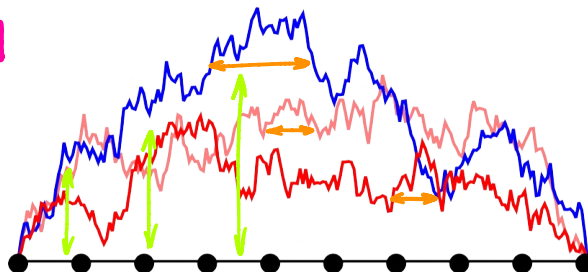
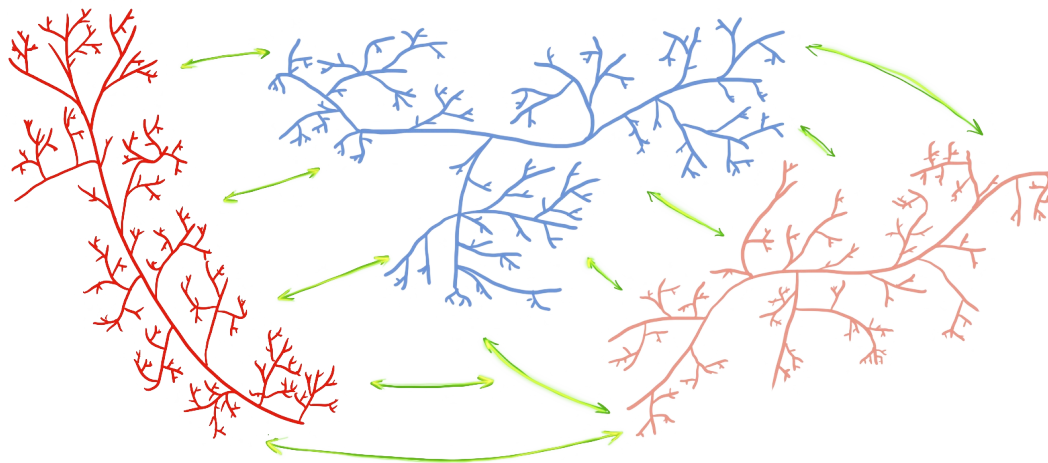
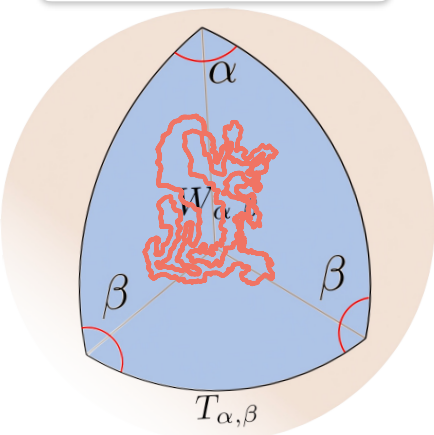
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GENERALIZATION

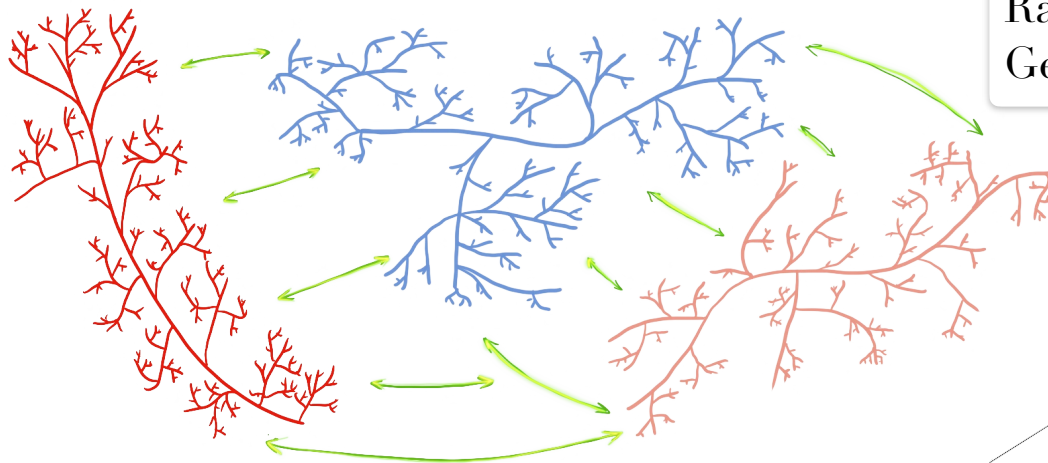
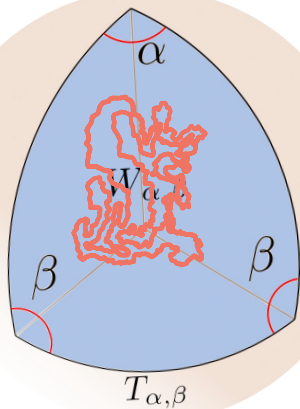
3D Brownian Motion



$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\cos(\alpha) & -\cos(\gamma) \\ -\cos(\alpha) & 1 & -\cos(\beta) \\ -\cos(\gamma) & -\cos(\beta) & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

GENERALIZATION

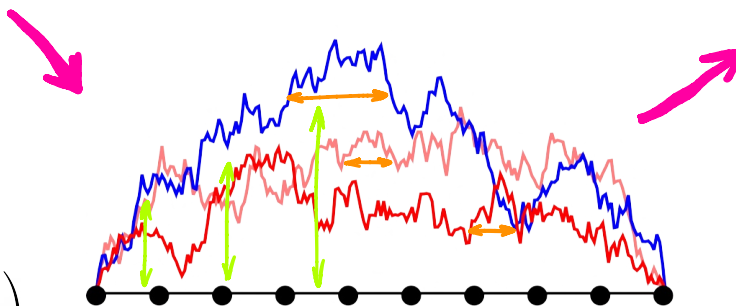
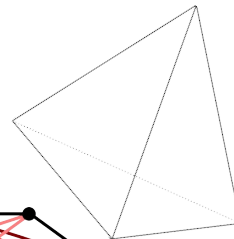
3D Brownian Motion



Scale Invariant
Random
Geometry ?

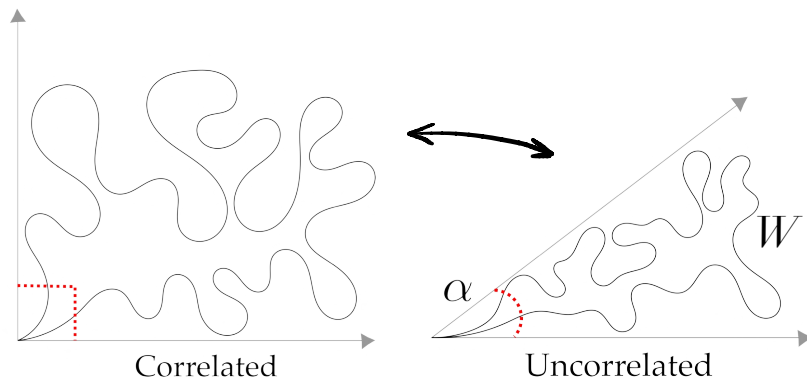
S.E.

?



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HOW TO SIMULATE Brownian excursions

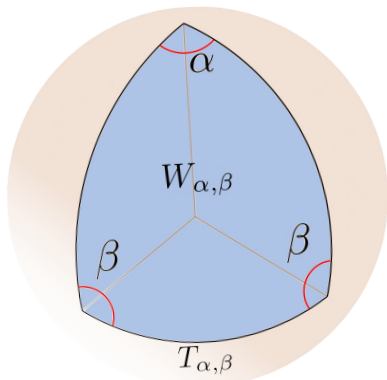


Probability density : standard BM started at x remains in wedge after time t

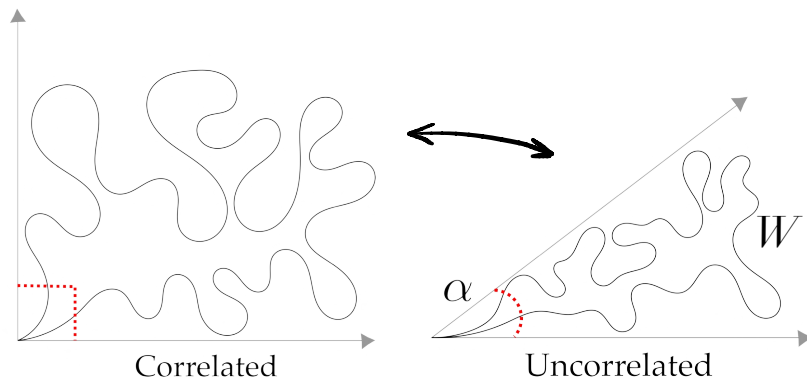
$$P_t^C(x, y)$$

angular

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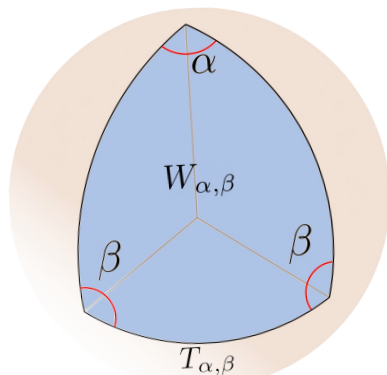
HOW TO SIMULATE Brownian excursions



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$$P_t^{\mathbf{C}}(x, y) = ct^{\gamma_s-2} + O(t^{\gamma_s-2})$$

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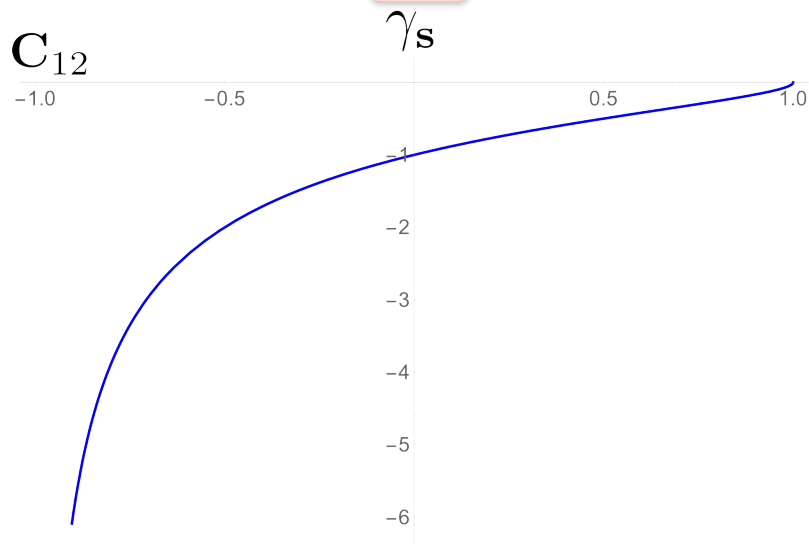


$$\gamma_s = 1 - \sqrt{\lambda_1 + \left(\frac{d}{2} - 1\right)^2}$$

“string susceptibility”

CRITICAL EXPONENTS: STRING SUSCEPTIBILITY

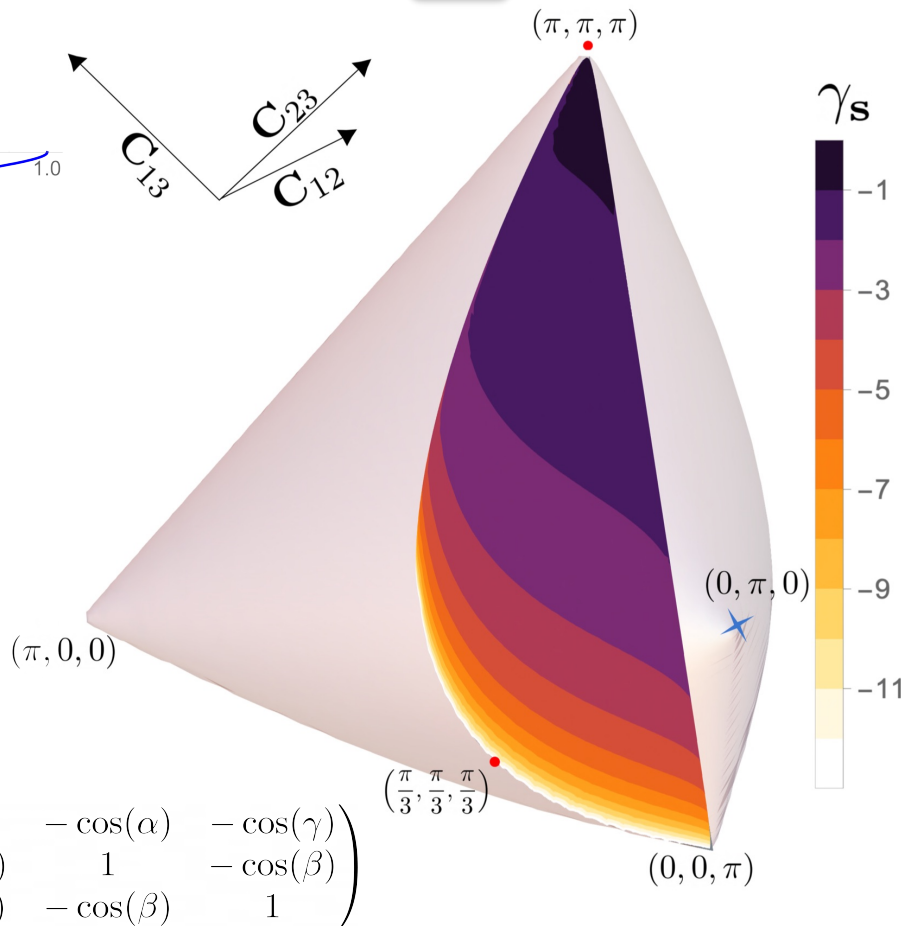
2D



$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\cos \alpha \\ -\cos \alpha & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\pi}{4} \gamma^2$$

3D

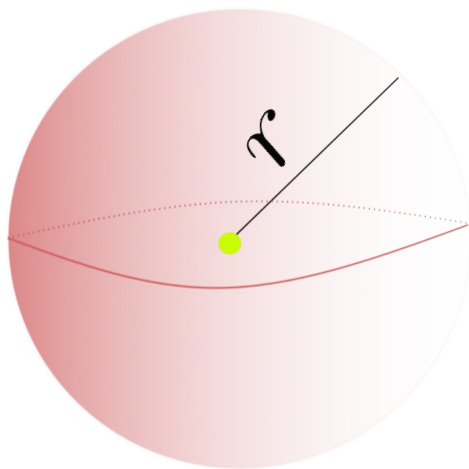


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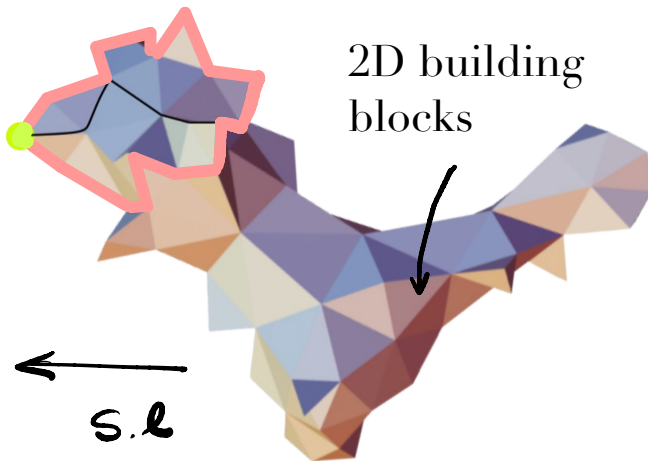
HAUSDORFF DIMENSION

volume / length $\rightarrow \text{Vol} \sim l^{d_H}$

e.g. $\text{Area}_{S^2} \sim r^2$

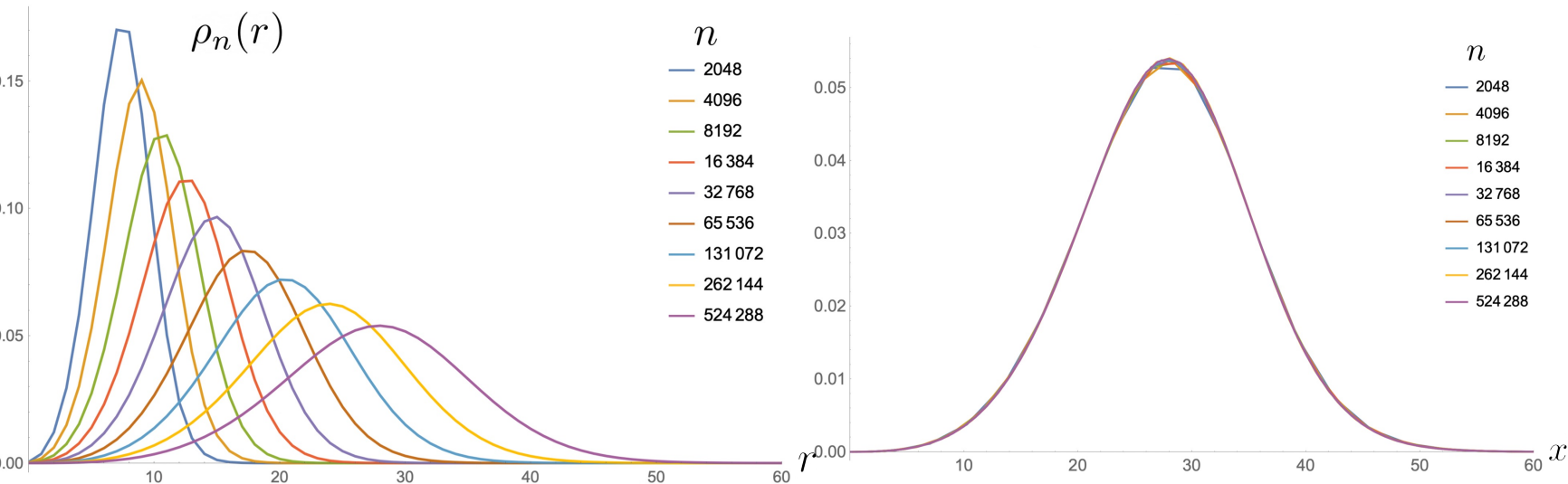


of vertices $\sim (\text{graph distance})^{d_H}$



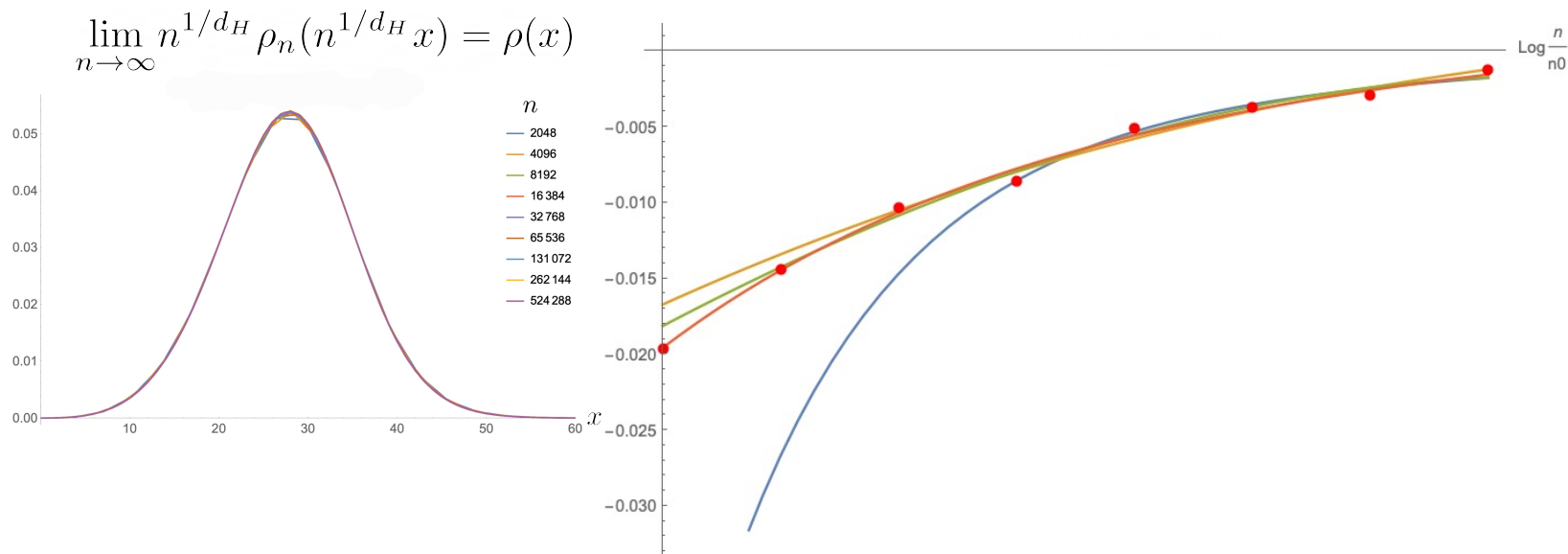
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$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{1/d_H} \rho_n(n^{1/d_H} x) = \rho(x)$$



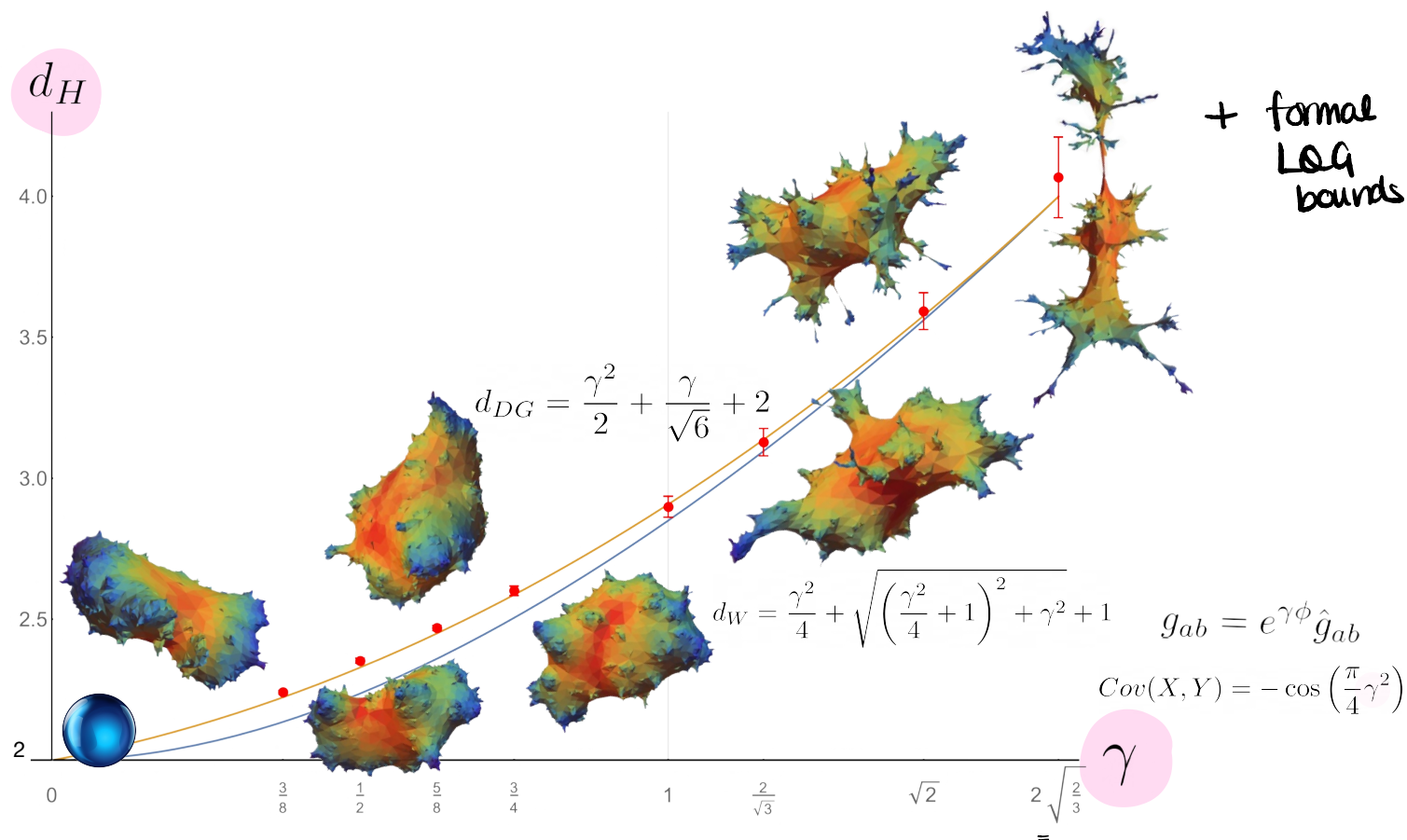
distance
histograms

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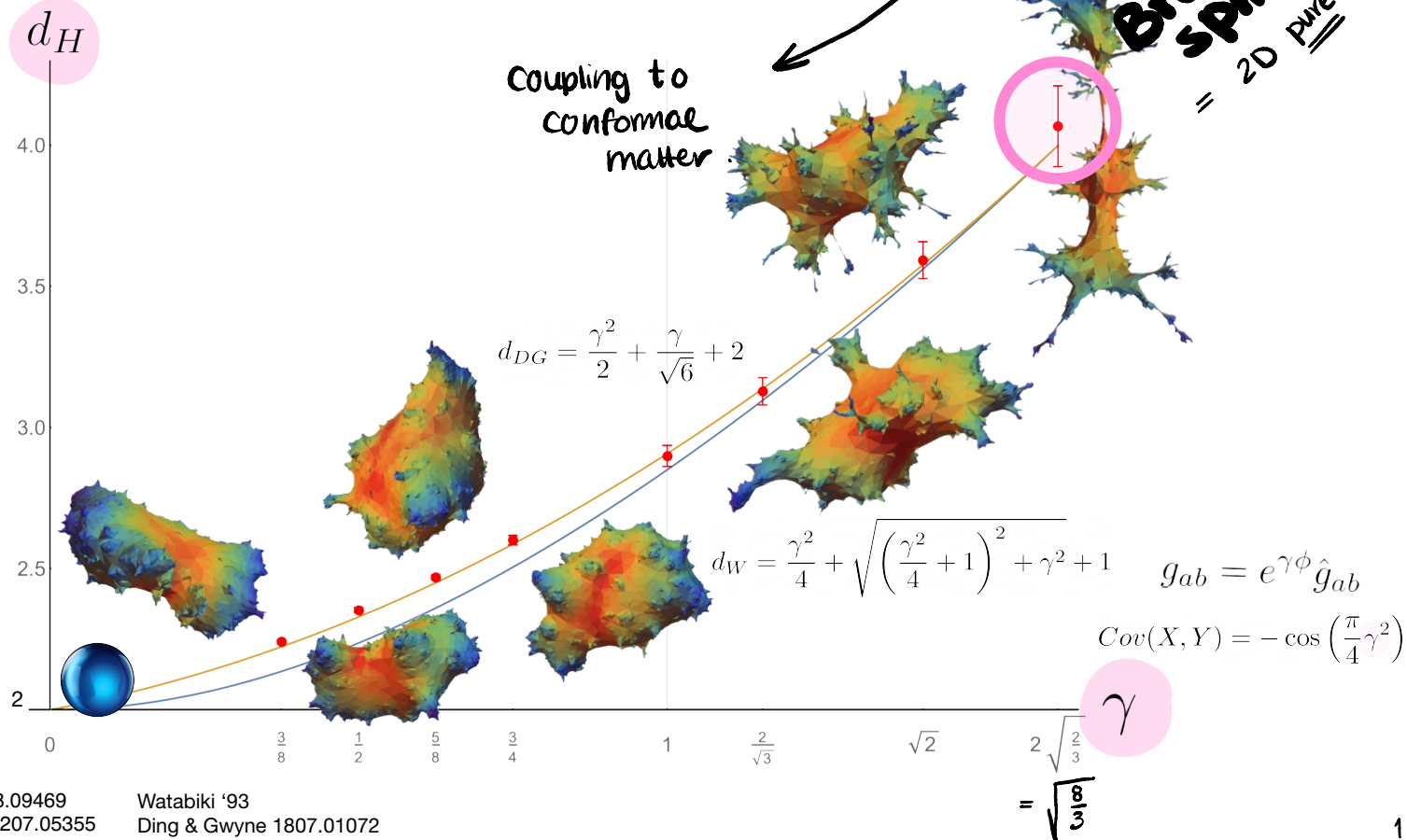


$$\left(\frac{n}{n_0} \right)^{-1/d_H} \left(a + b \left(\frac{n}{n_0} \right)^{-\delta} \right)$$

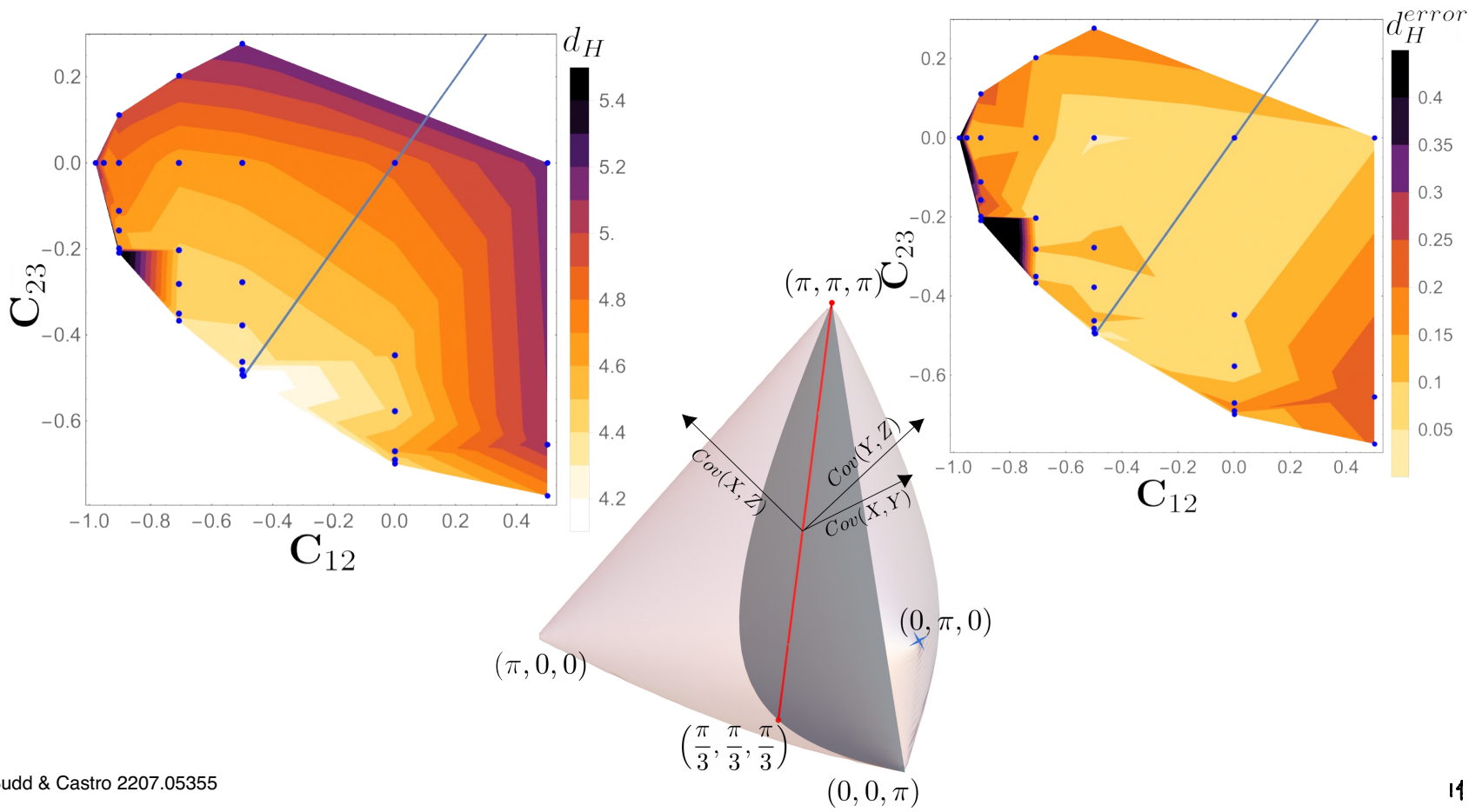
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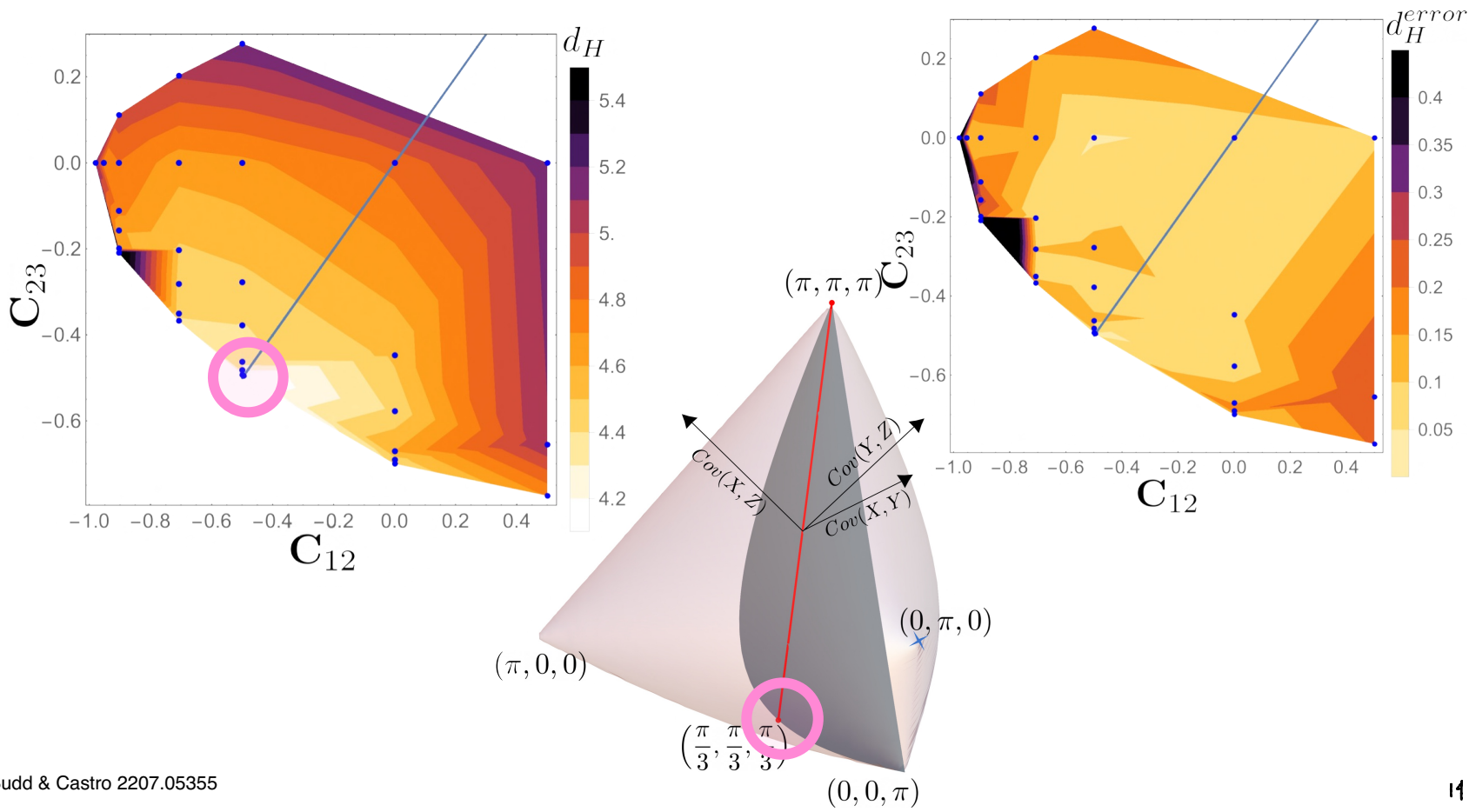
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OUTLOOK

Math

- ✧ New universality classes of higher dimensional scale-invariant random geometries
- ✧ more evidence for Hausdorff dimension predictions
- ✧ Topology?
- ✧ Random walk for special points

Physics

- ✧ Asymptotic Safety fixed point?
- ✧ matching critical exponents
 - spectral dimension measurements
 - Hausdorff dimension in AS
- ✧ Field theory of scaling limit?
 - analogous to LQG