

Conformal invariance: What is it good for?

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Types of QFTs to study

Fundamental theories

- * The Standard Model
- * QED, QCD, etc
- * Inflationary models

Collective phenomena

- * The Ising model
- * Topological QFTs, anyons
- * Quantum Hall effect

"Beautiful" theories

- * N=4 Super Yang-Mills
- * (Seiberg / Donaldson)-Witten
- * ABJM theory

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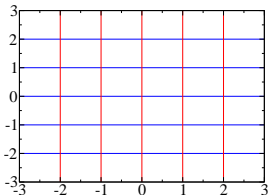
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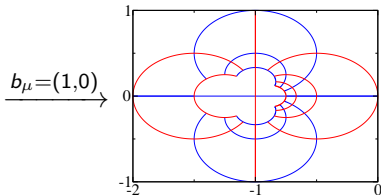
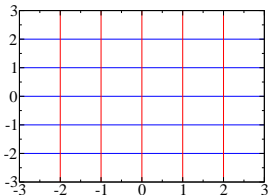
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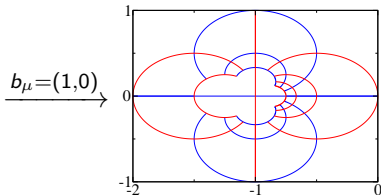
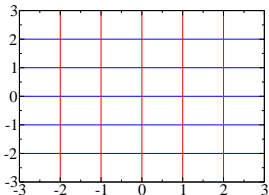
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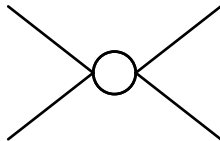
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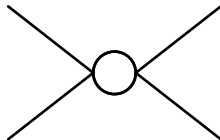
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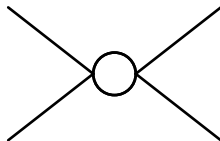
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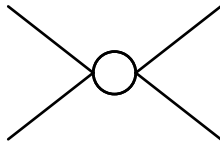
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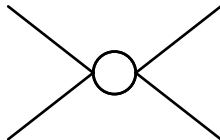
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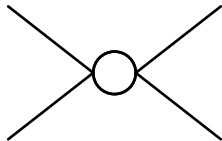
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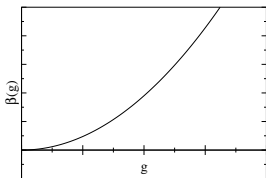
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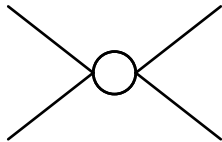
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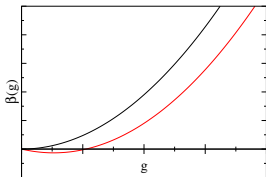
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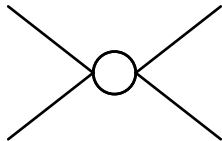
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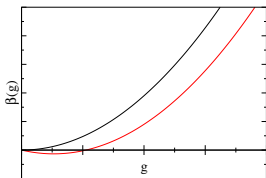
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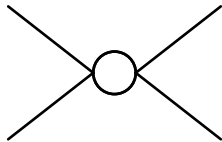
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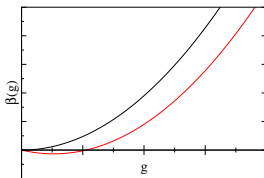
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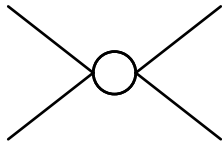


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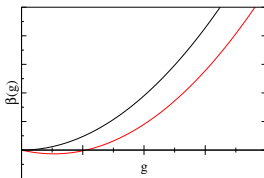
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- SUSY is $\{Q_i, Q_j\} = 2\delta_{ij}\gamma^\mu P_\mu$ where $i, j = 1, \dots, \mathcal{N}$.
- One usually stops at 3D $\mathcal{N} = 8$ or 4D $\mathcal{N} = 4$.
- Most known CFTs are SCFTs — superconformal.

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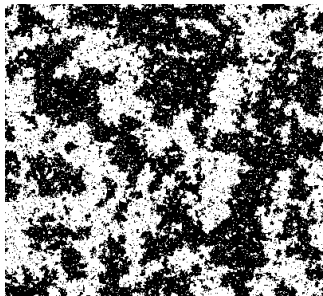
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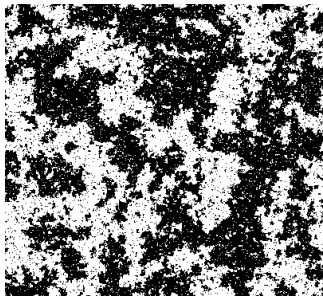
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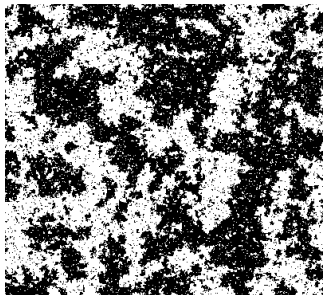
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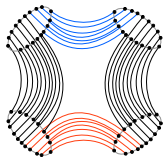
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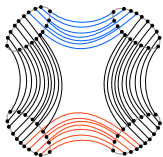
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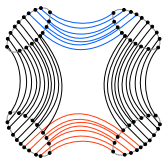
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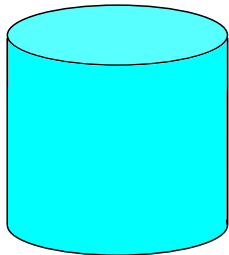
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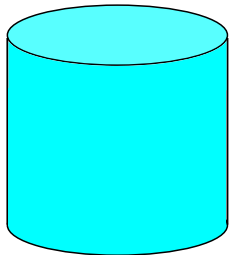


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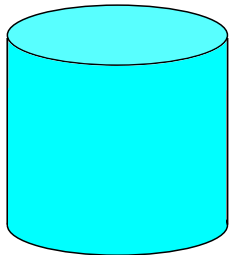
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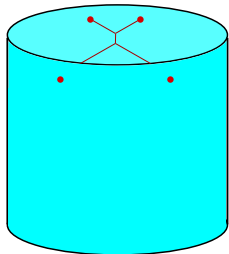
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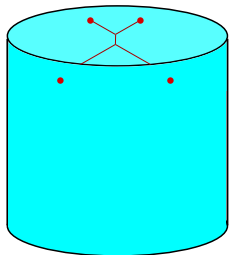
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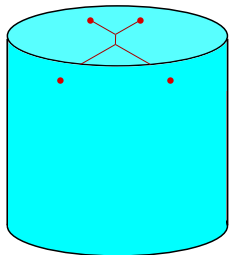
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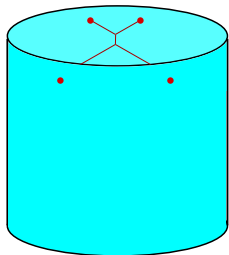
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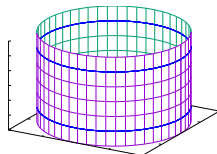
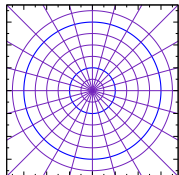


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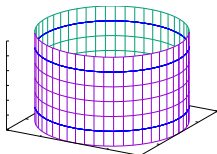
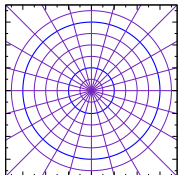
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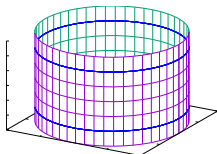
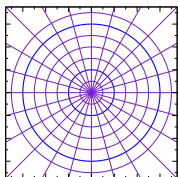
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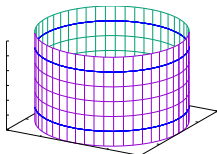
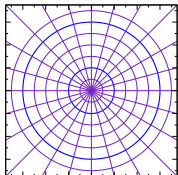
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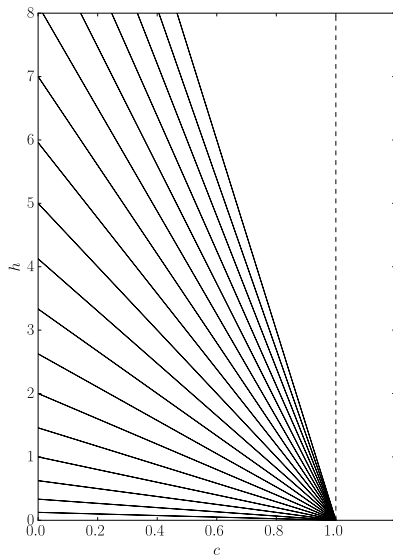
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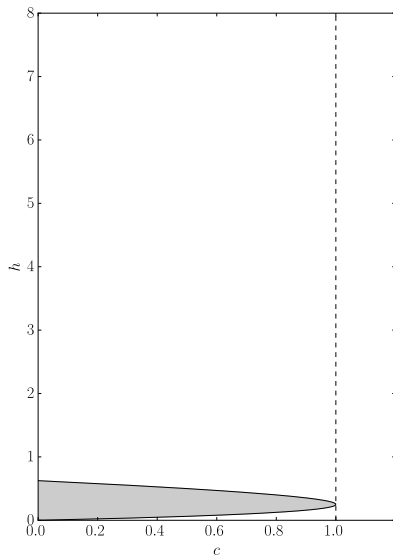
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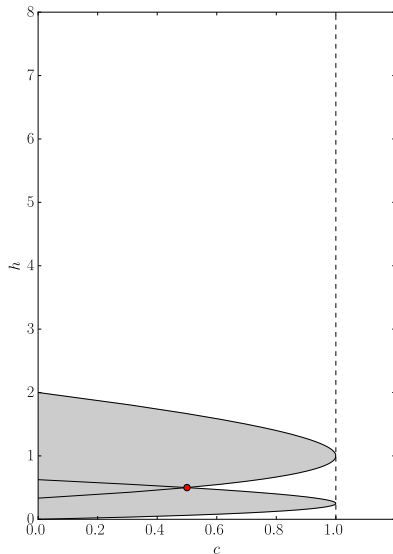
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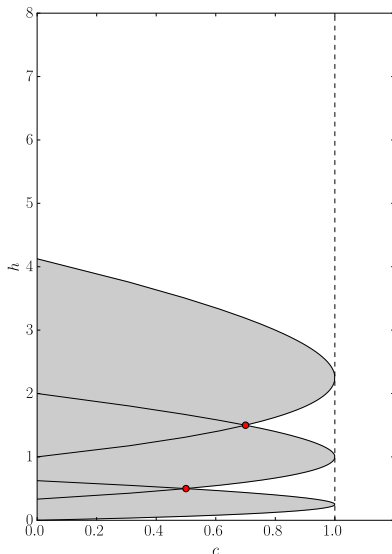
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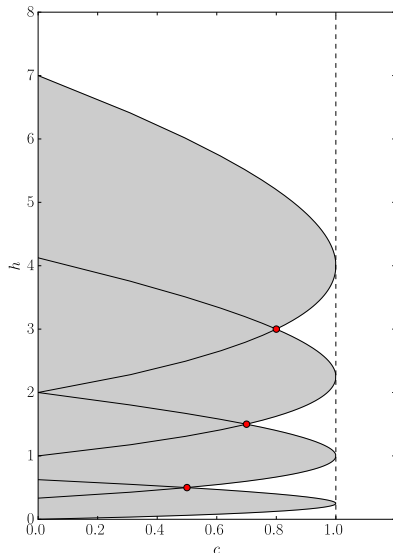
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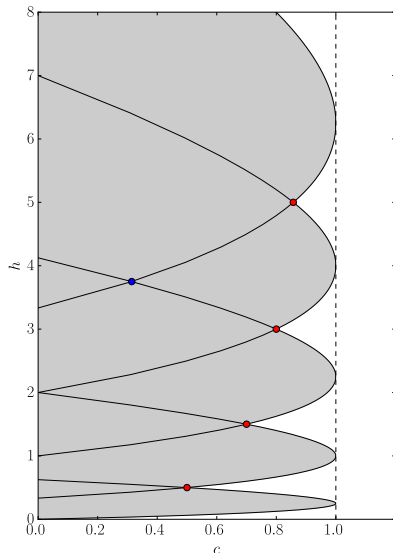
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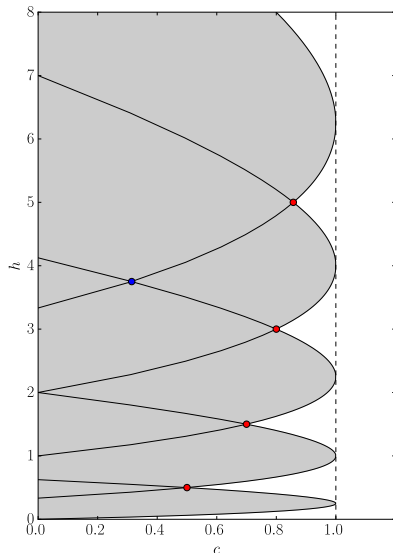
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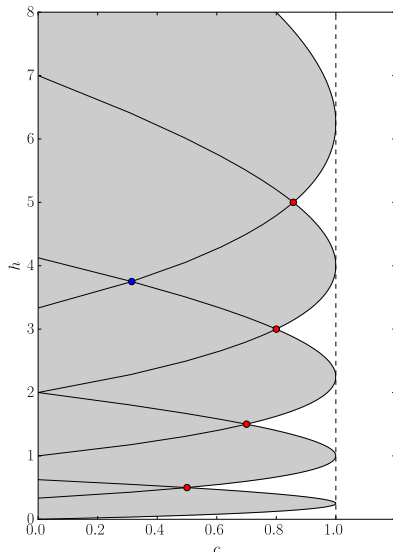
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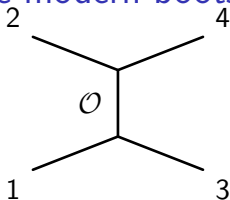
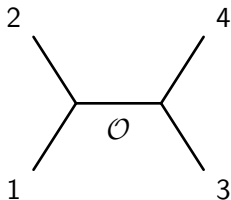
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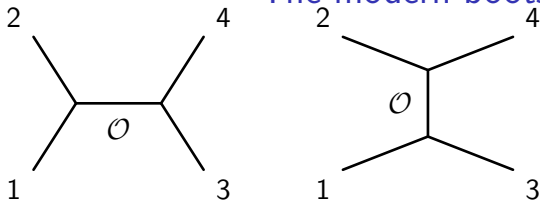
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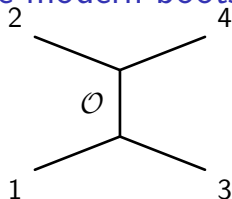
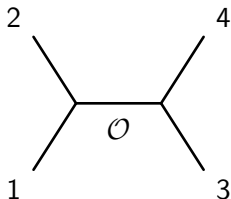
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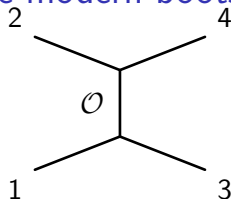
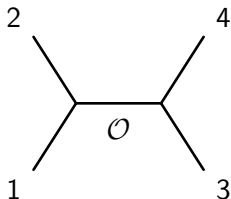


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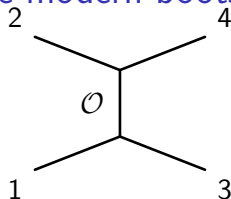
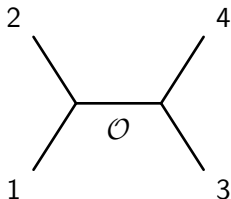
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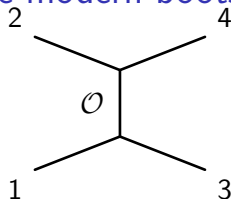
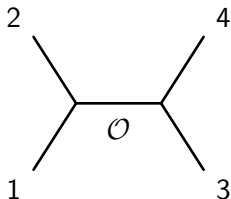
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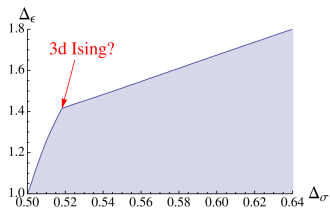
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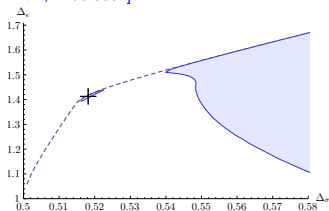
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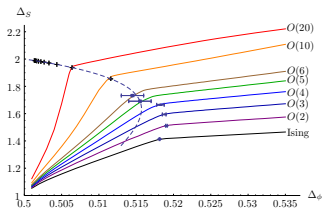
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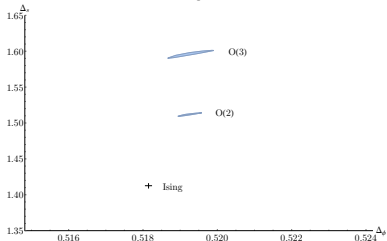
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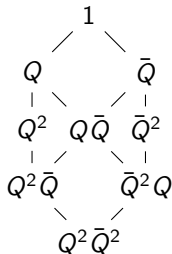
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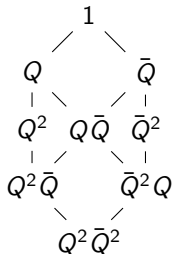


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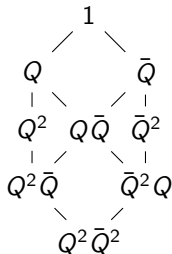
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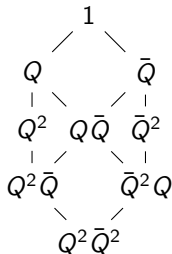
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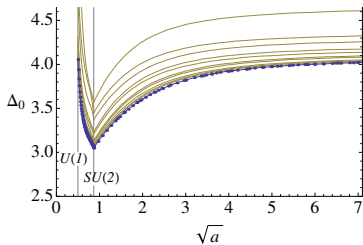
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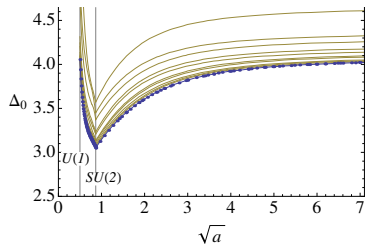
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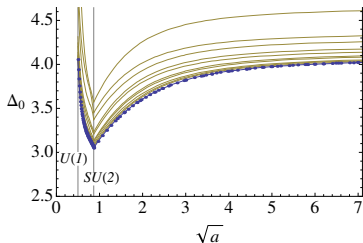
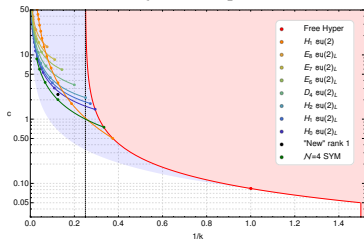
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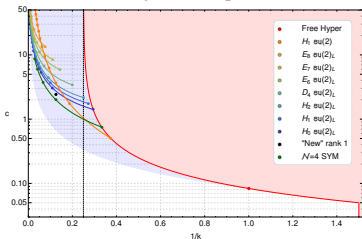
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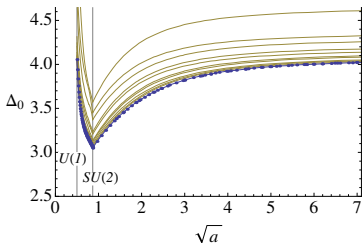
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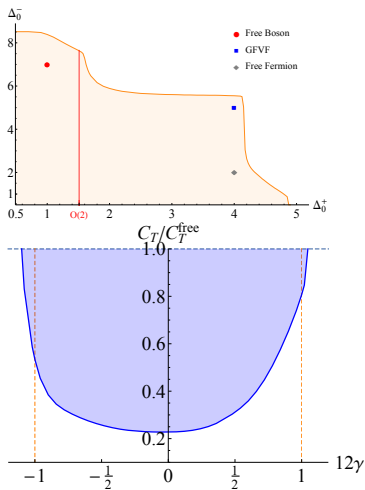
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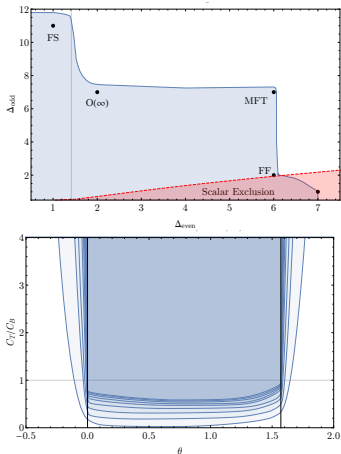
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Current and stress-tensor bootstraps



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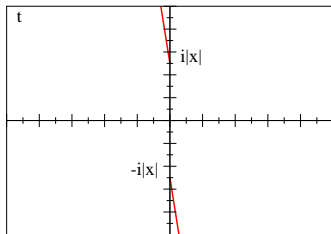
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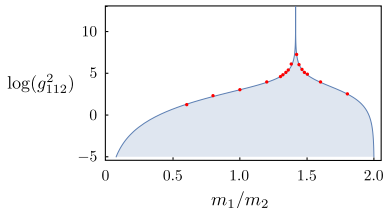
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