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- Disordered systems over flatband featuring lattices
- Disorder-induced SYK systems on Moire lattices (MATBG)
- Systems with symmetry-protected topological phases
- Scale-free disordered networks

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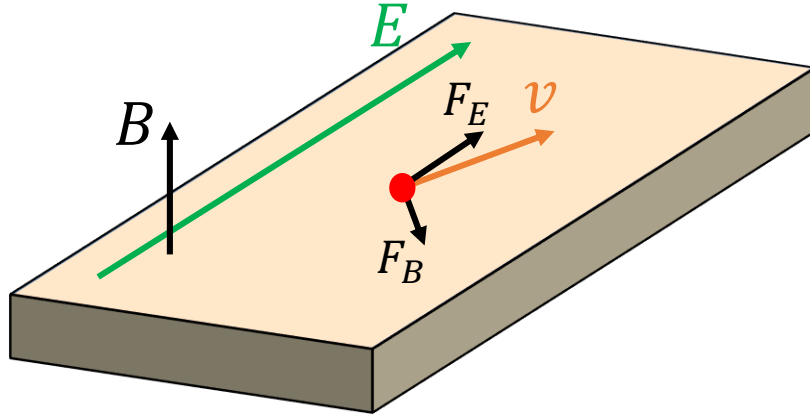
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Harris-Luck criterion in the Integer quantum Hall effect

- Quasiclassical picture of IQHE and Chalker-Coddington model
- Random Network (RN) models: induction of gravity
- Harris Criterion and scale-free networks

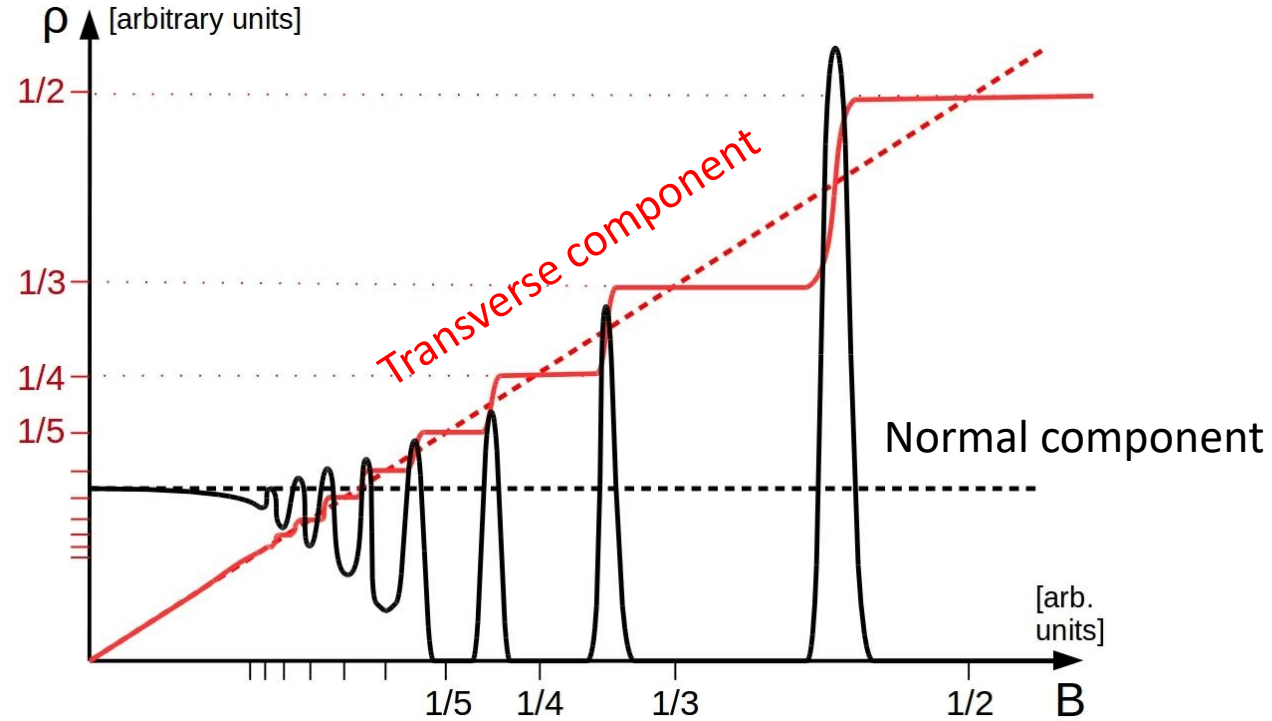
Classical theory and the strong field experiment



$$\vec{j} = \sigma \left(\vec{E} + \frac{\vec{j} \times \vec{B}}{\rho} \right) \quad \vec{j} = \hat{\sigma} \vec{E}$$

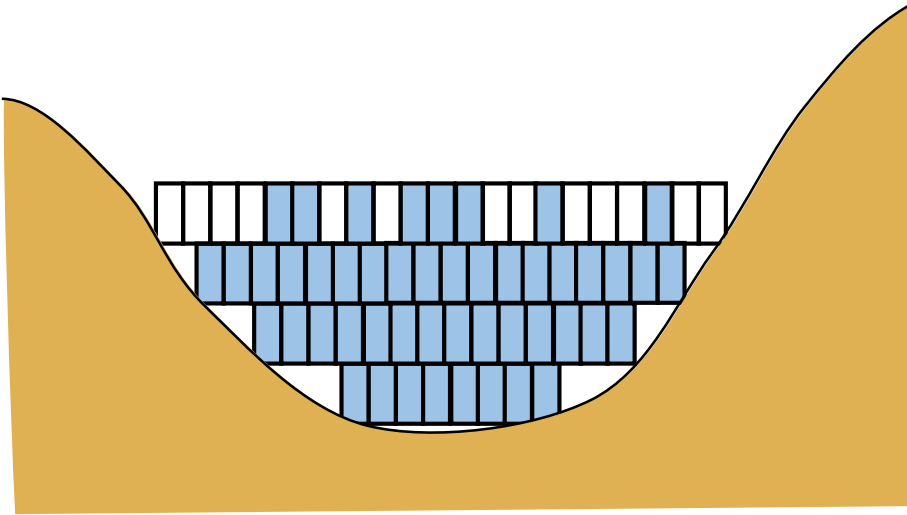
$$\hat{\rho} = \hat{\sigma}^{-1} = \sigma^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & k \\ -k & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad k = \frac{\sigma B}{\rho}$$

Normal Transverse



The mechanisms behind the effect

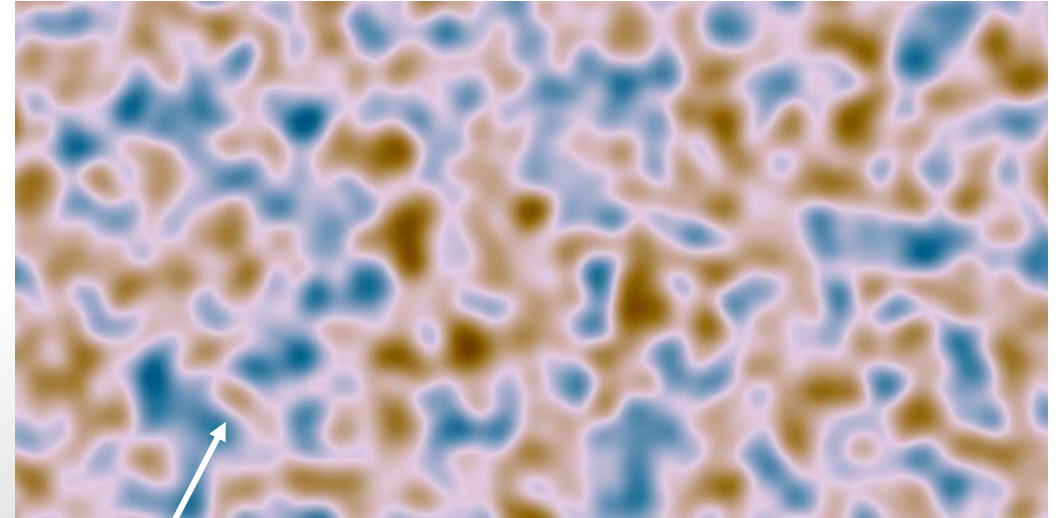
1. Condensation to Landau levels



State “widths” decrease with increasing field

Conductance will occur when the edge states are partially occupied

2. Randomness of the medium

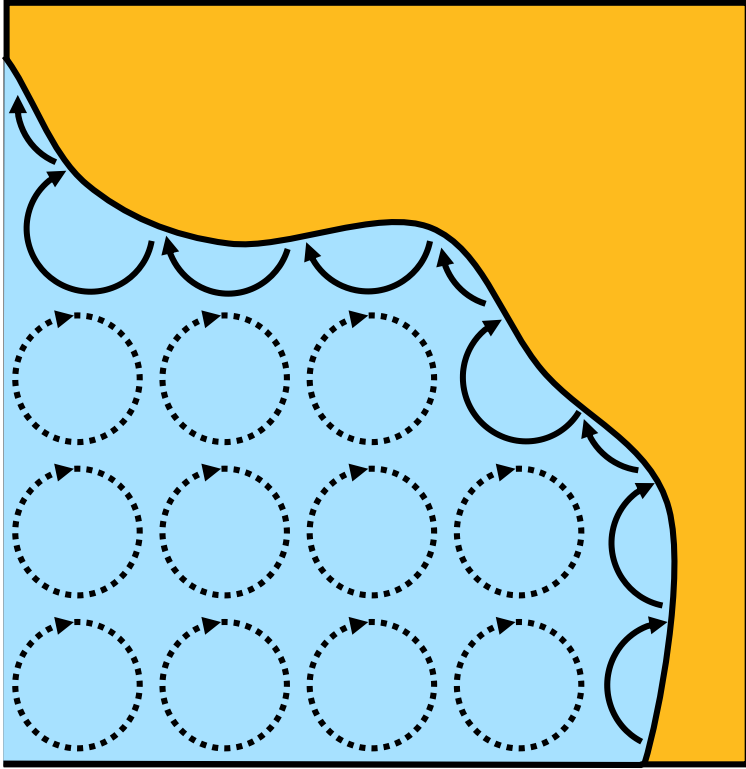


The edge of the Fermi sea

Some random potential that exists in the medium

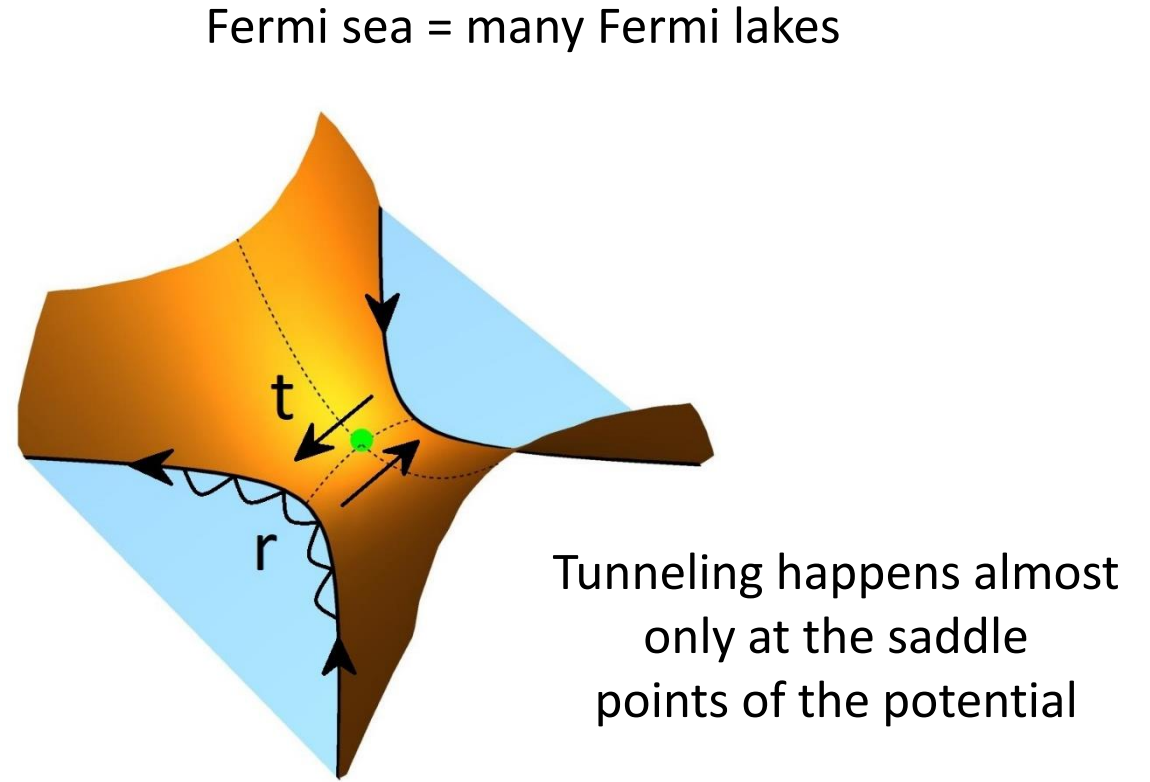
Fermi sea of Landau levels

The edge states and tunneling conductivity



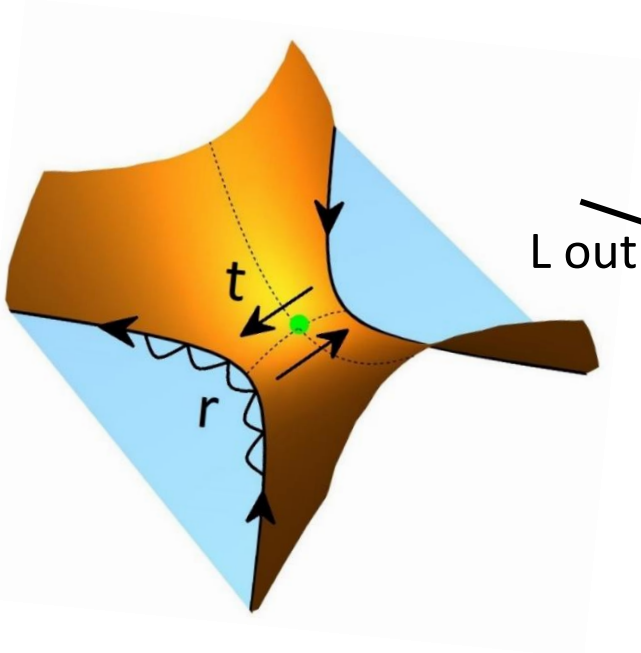
Semi-classical image of electrons moving pattern in the Fermi sea

The edge states are still localized



The edge state electrons delocalize due to tunneling and thus create conductivity

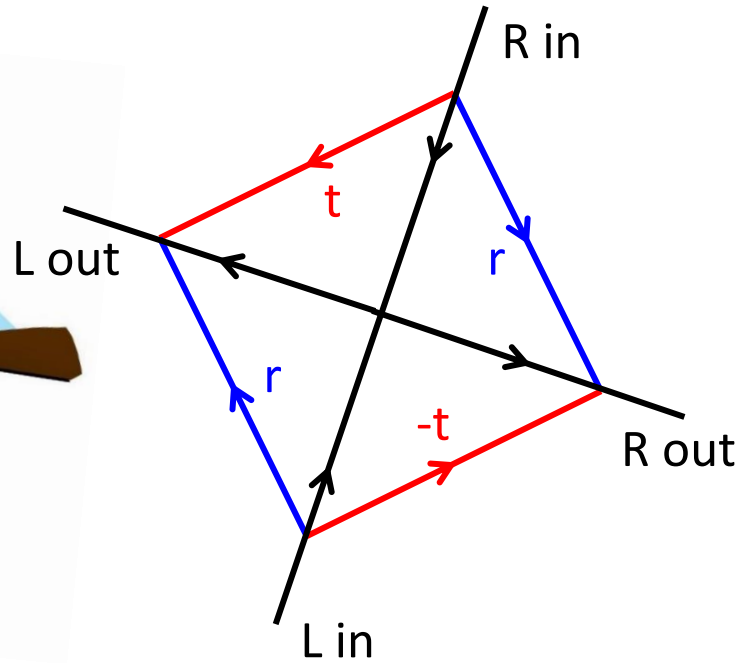
Chalker-Coddington model



Scattering matrix

$$S : \begin{pmatrix} L \\ R \end{pmatrix}_{in} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} L \\ R \end{pmatrix}_{out}$$

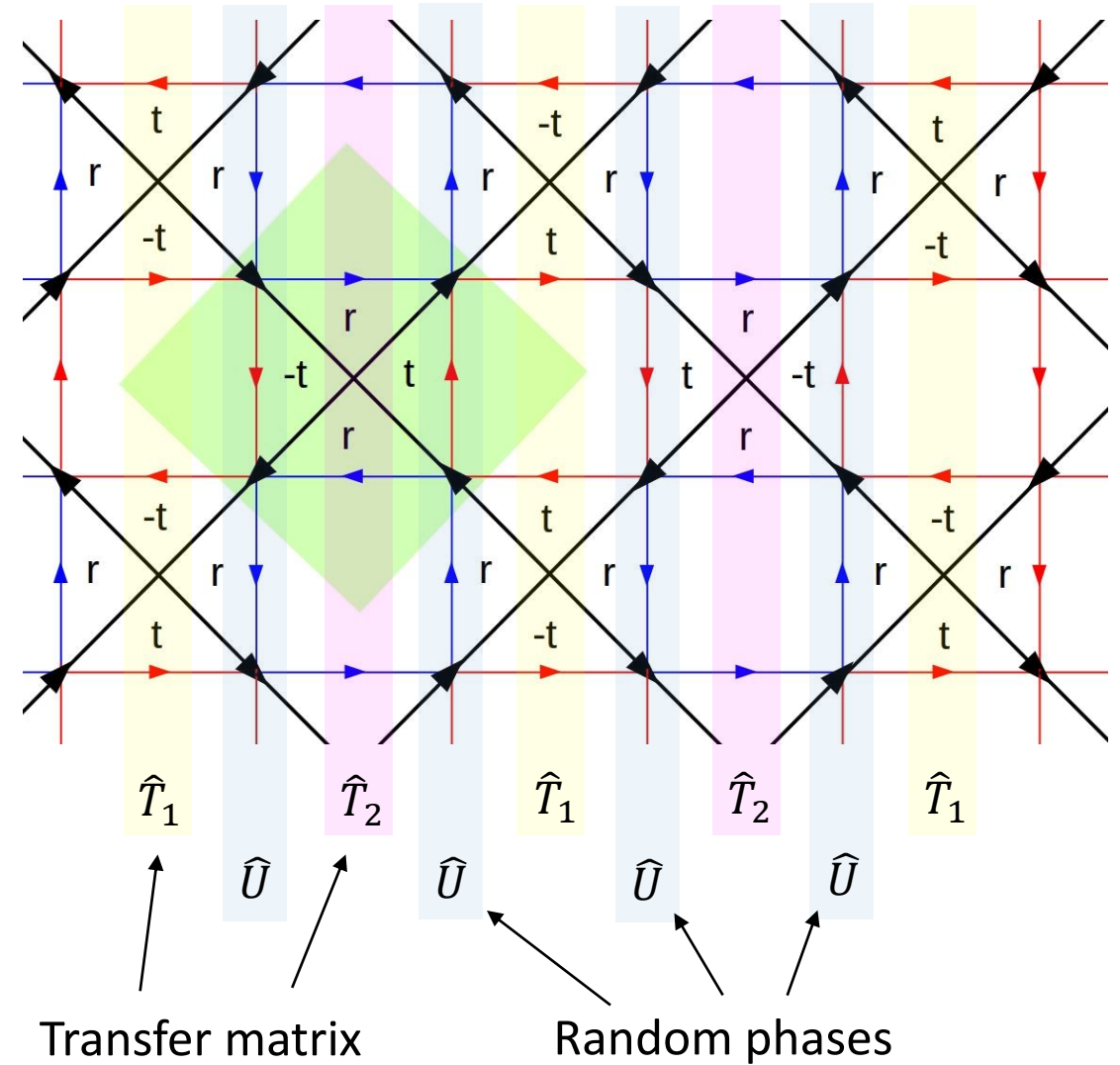
$$S = \begin{pmatrix} r & t \\ -t & r \end{pmatrix}$$



Transfer matrix

$$T : \begin{pmatrix} out \\ in \end{pmatrix}_L \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} in \\ out \end{pmatrix}_R$$

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 1/t & r/t \\ r/t & 1/t \end{pmatrix}$$



Random phases create Anderson localization
and thus allow critical behavior

Comparison to experiment

$$\langle \psi_0 \psi_N \rangle \sim e^{-N/N_0} \longleftarrow \text{Correlation length}$$

$$N_0 = (x - x_c)^{-\nu} \longleftarrow \text{Localization length index}$$

Experimental value: $\nu = 2.38 \pm 0.06$ (W.Li et.al. *PRL*, 102, 216801 (2009))

Calculations have finite size

Particle energy x

System width M

Lyapunov exponents $\Gamma(M, x)$

Finite size
scaling

ν

The index value for CC model:

$$\nu = 2.593 \pm 0.006 : \text{Ohtsuki, et.al. } PRB \ 80, \ 041304 \ (2009)$$

$$\nu = 2.62 \pm 0.01 : \text{M. Amado, et.al. } PRL \ 107, \ 066402 \ (2011)$$

$$\nu = 2.57 \pm 0.02 : \text{J.P.Dahlhaus, et.al. } PRB \ 84, \ 115133 \ (2011)$$

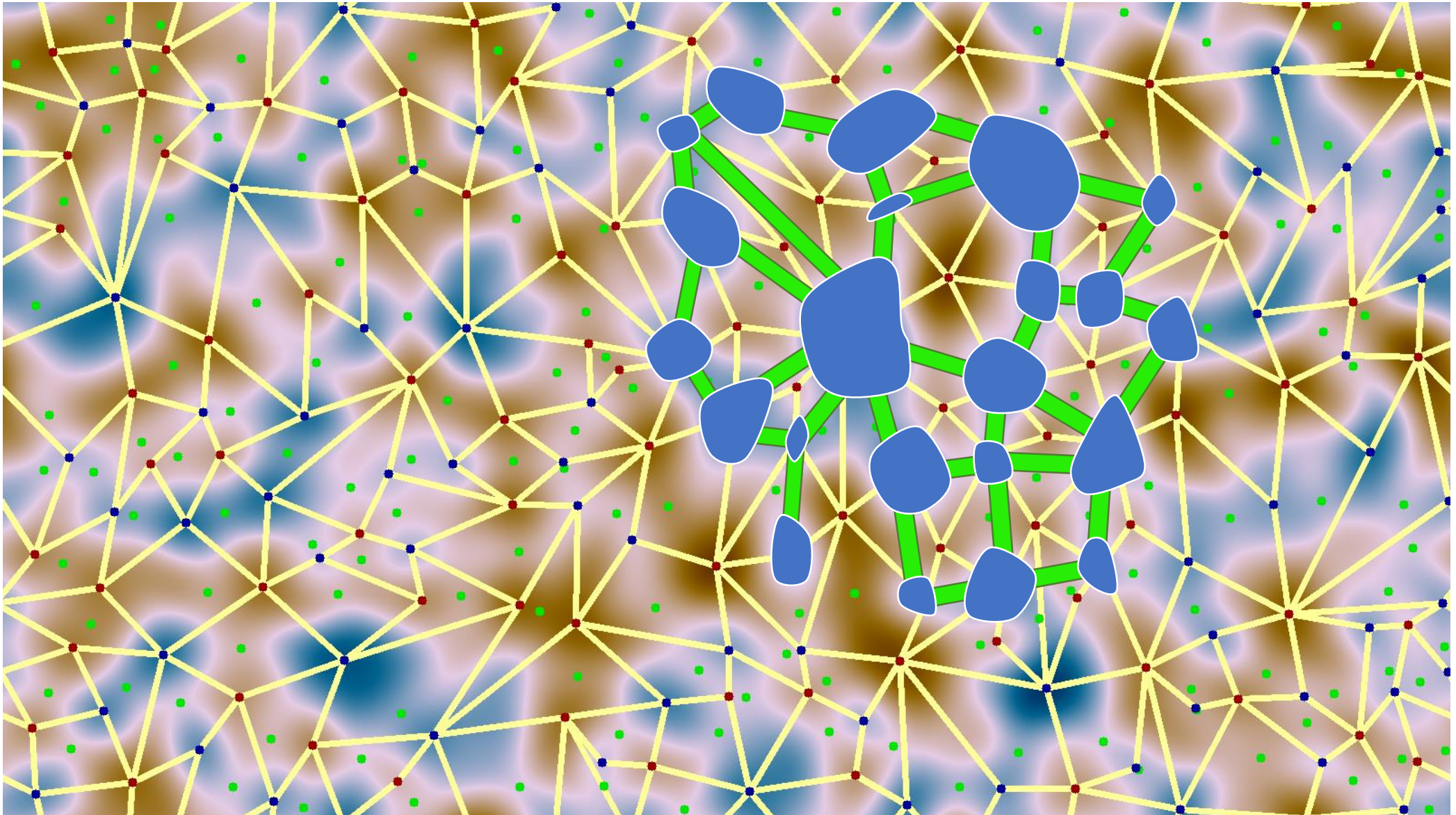
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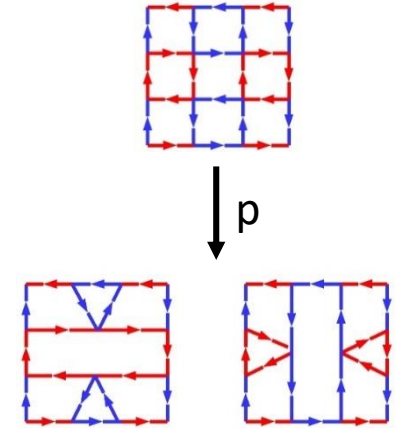
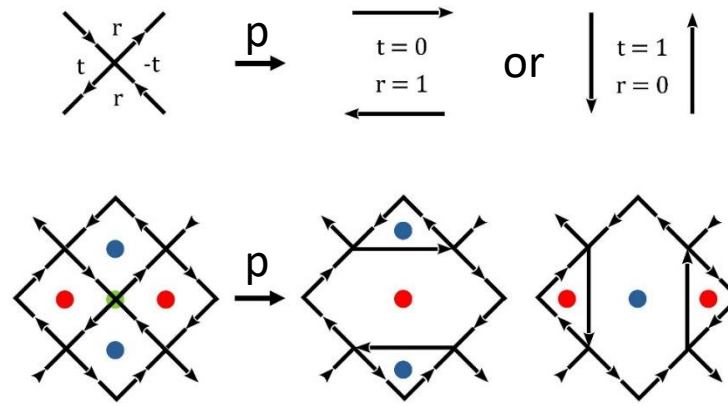
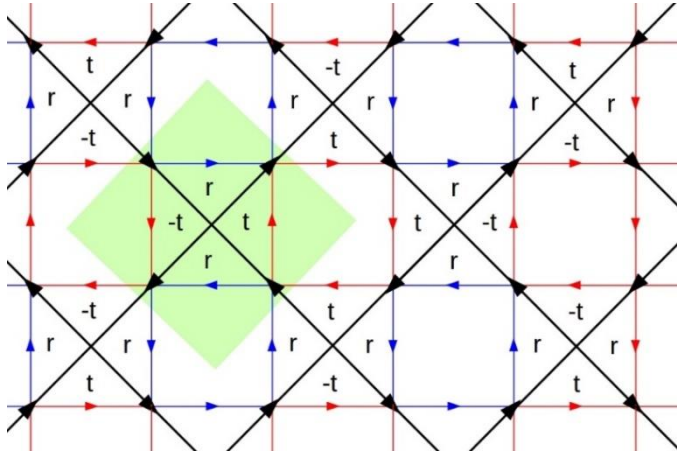
The phase randomness isn't enough

The model doesn't consider interaction

Geomerty randomness

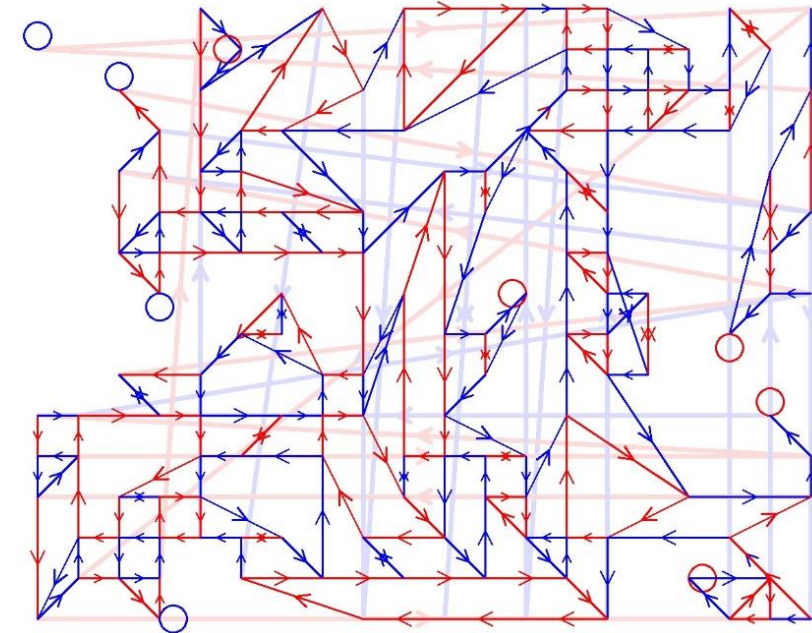
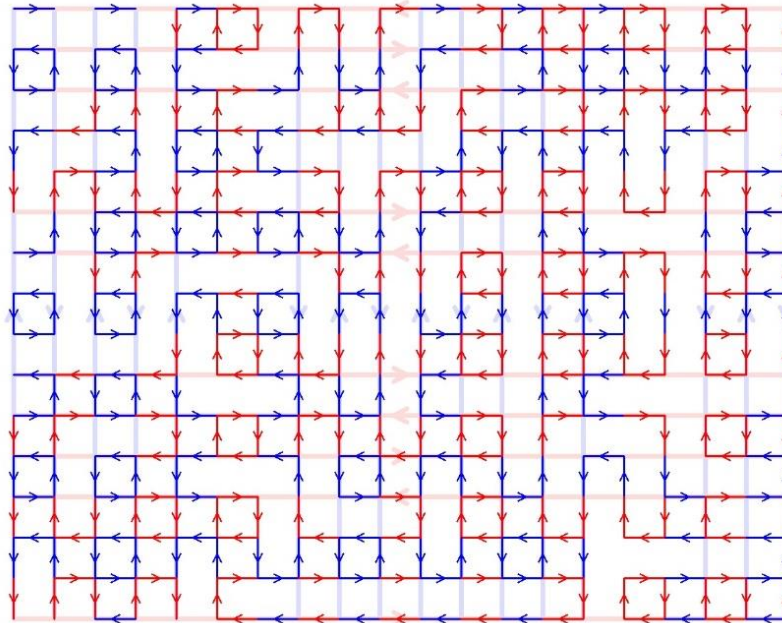


Random network model

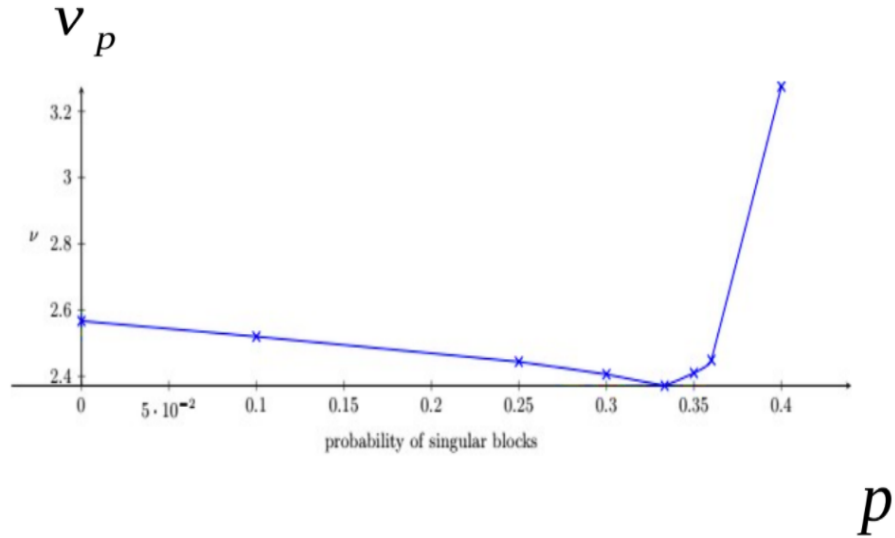


I.Gruzberg et al. *PRB* 95, 125417 (2017)

An example of a modification
with $p = 0.25$

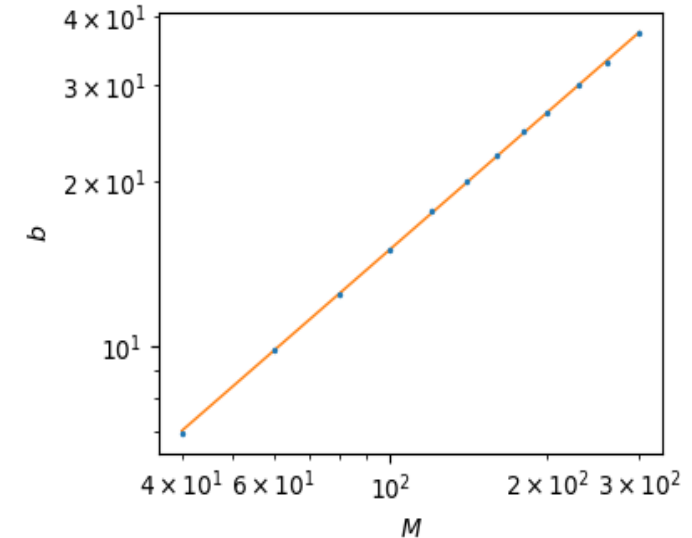
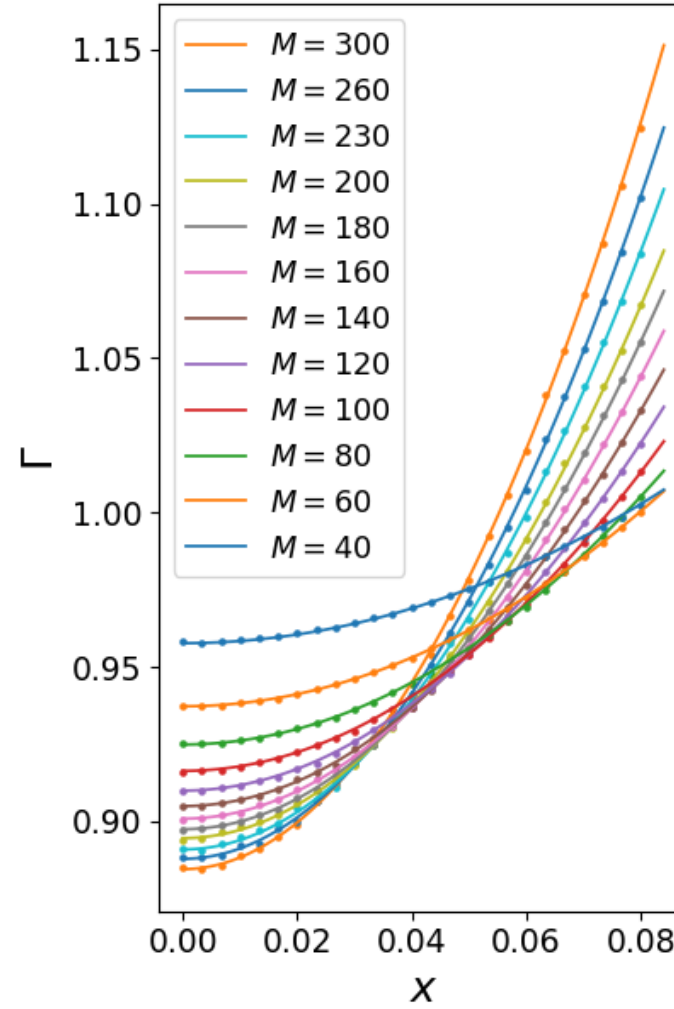


RN comparision to experiment



$$\nu(1/3) = 2.37 \pm 0.02$$

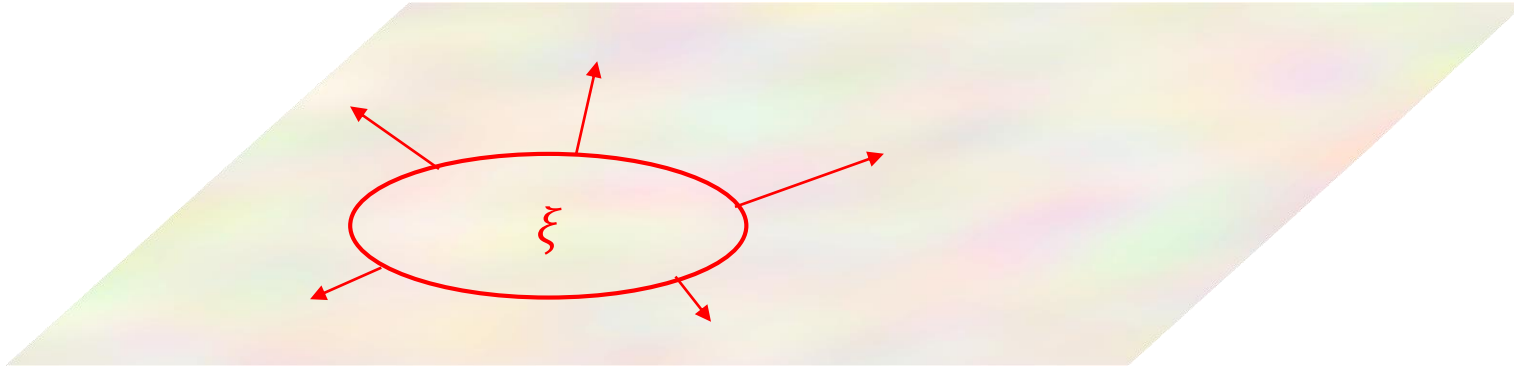
$$\nu_{exp} = 2.38 \pm 0.06$$



$$\nu(1/3) = 2.398 \pm 0.006$$

Harris Criterion

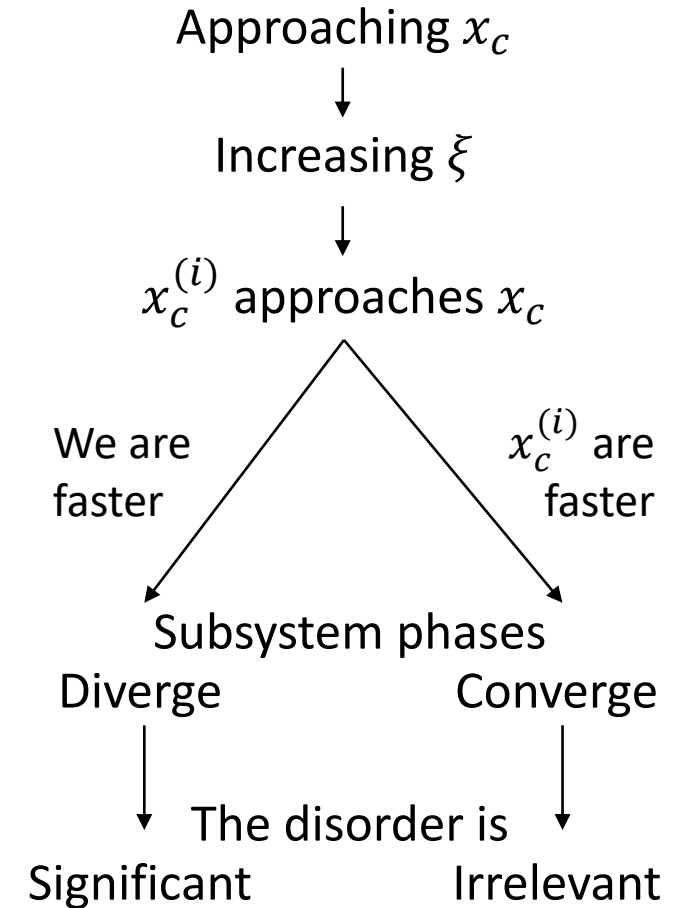
Can the disorder change the critical behavior?



At phase transitions correlation length is infinite

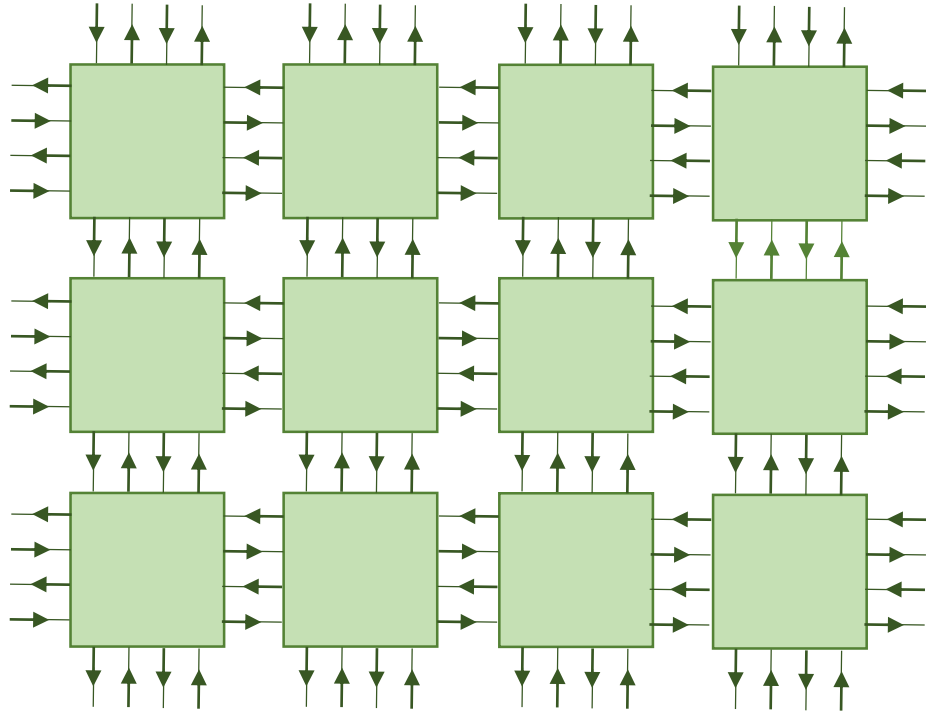
Correlated subsystems have their own critical point $x_c^{(i)}$

The larger the subsystem, the better the averaging



Critical indices (such as ν) can't change if the disorder is irrelevant

Harris Criterion



N random parameter changes:

$$x_c \rightarrow x_c \pm \Delta x_c, \quad \Delta x_c \sim N^{-1/2}$$

Random parameters on lattice of size L in d dimensions:

$$x_c \rightarrow x_c \pm \Delta x_c, \quad \Delta x_c \sim L^{-d/2}$$

Correlated region size:

$$\xi \sim (x - x_c)^{-\nu}$$

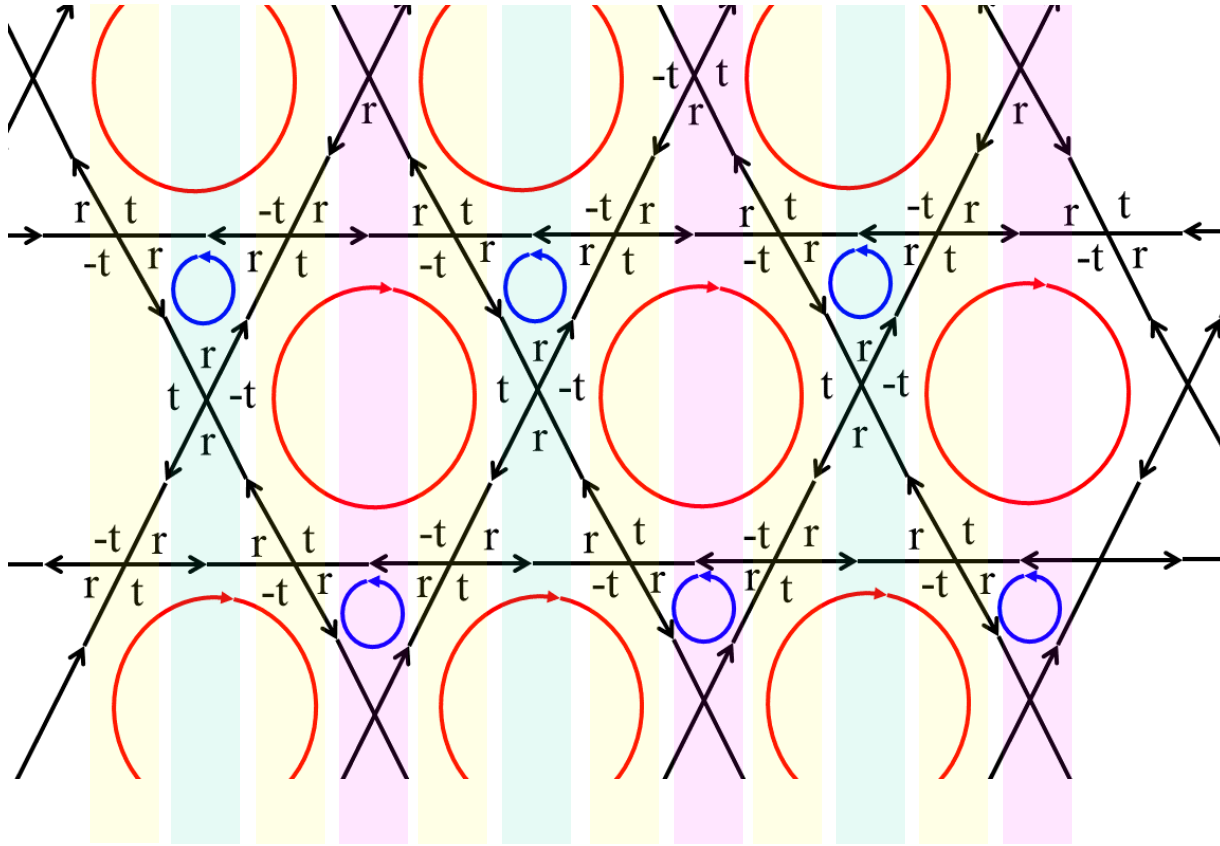
Dispersion of local critical values against our distance from the non-disordered critical point:

$$\Delta x_c \sim \xi^{-d/2} \sim (x - x_c)^{d\nu/2}$$

The critical behavior is stable against random defects if $\Delta x_c < x - x_c$ will hold when $x \rightarrow x_c$.

$$d\nu > 2$$

Hints of breaking of Harris Criterion



Kagome lattice

$$\begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \vdots \\ \psi_n \end{pmatrix}_R = \dots \hat{U} \hat{T}_3 \hat{U} \hat{T}_1 \hat{U} \hat{T}_2 \hat{U} \hat{T}_1 \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \vdots \\ \psi_n \end{pmatrix}_N$$

$$\nu = 2.66 \pm 0.04$$

I.Gruzberg, et.al. *PRB* 102, 121304 (2020)

A different “frozen” geometry produces same exponent value, with a significantly different fixed point.

Harris-Luck Criterion

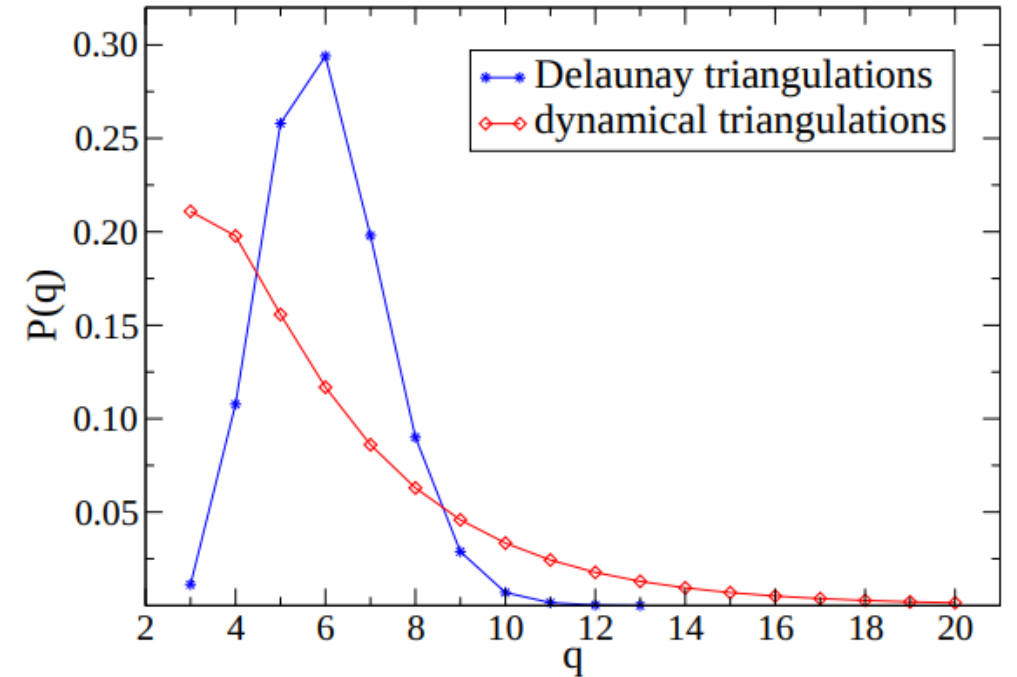
Trivial cases of Harris Criterion breaking are disorder correlations, or topological effects.

$$\Delta x_c \sim L^{-d/2} \rightarrow \Delta x_c \sim L^{-(1-\beta)d}$$

$$dv < 2 \rightarrow (1-\beta)dv < 1$$

wandering exponent

Wandering exponent is a phenomenological descriptor of the disorder.



Connectivity distribution for random networks

Regular lattice

$$\beta = 1/2$$

$$P(q) = 0, \quad q > q_0$$

Random Voronoi-Delauney triangulation

$$\beta = 1/2$$

$$P(q) \sim q^{-\sigma q}, \quad \sigma \approx 2$$

Dynamical triangulation

$$\beta \approx 3/4$$

$$P(q) \sim e^{-\sigma q}, \quad \sigma = \ln 4/3$$

Scale-free Networks

Regular lattice
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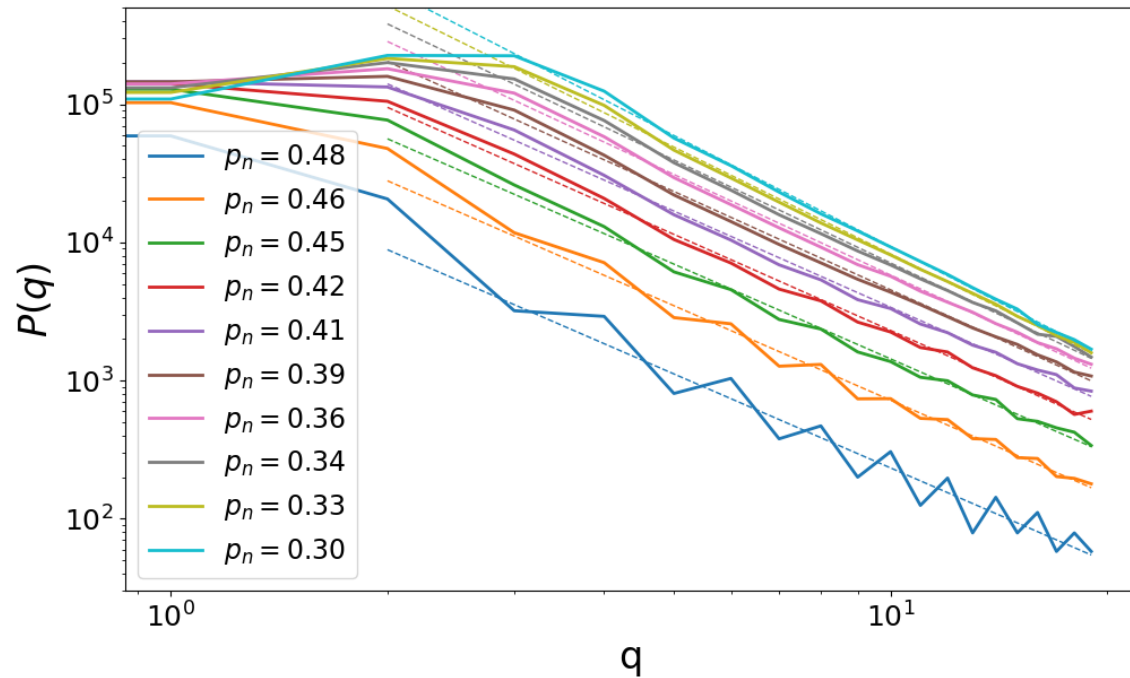
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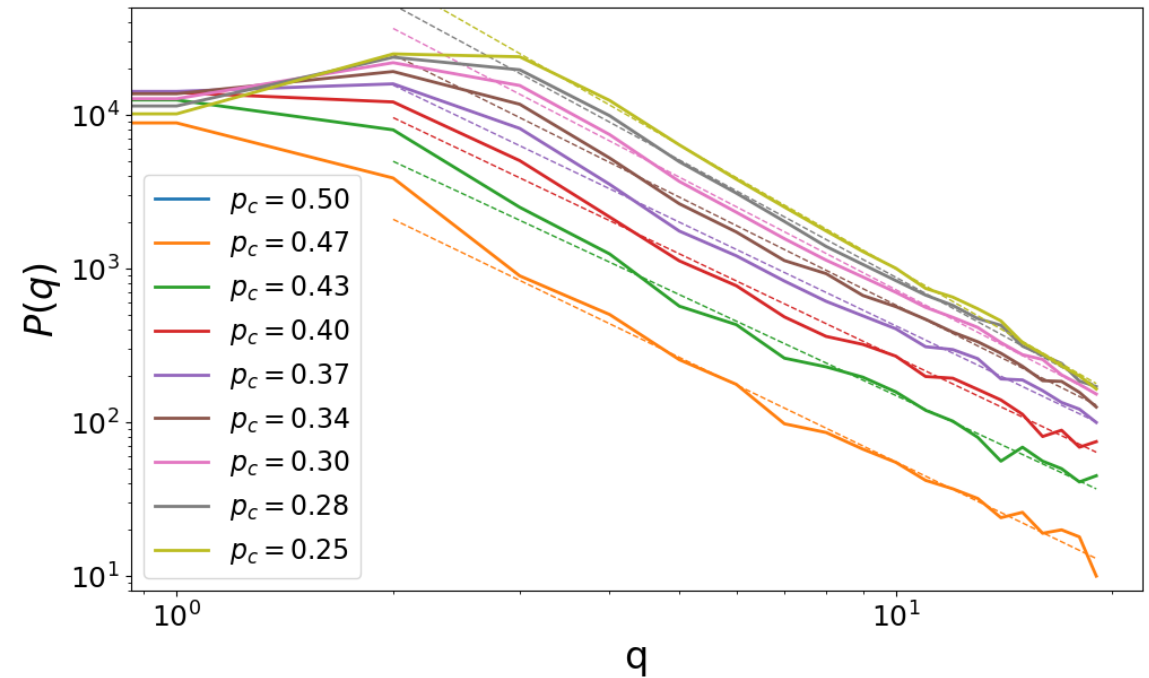
Scale-free networks

$$\beta = ?$$

$$P(q) \sim q^{-\sigma}$$



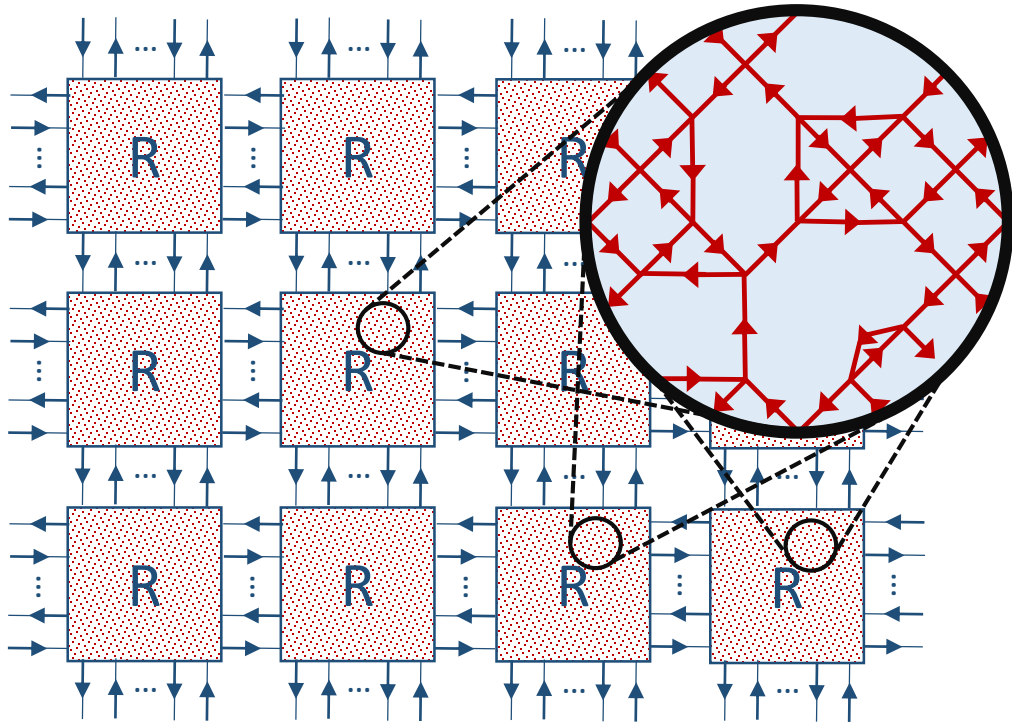
Connectivity distribution GKNS random networks



Connectivity distribution for random gaussian potentials

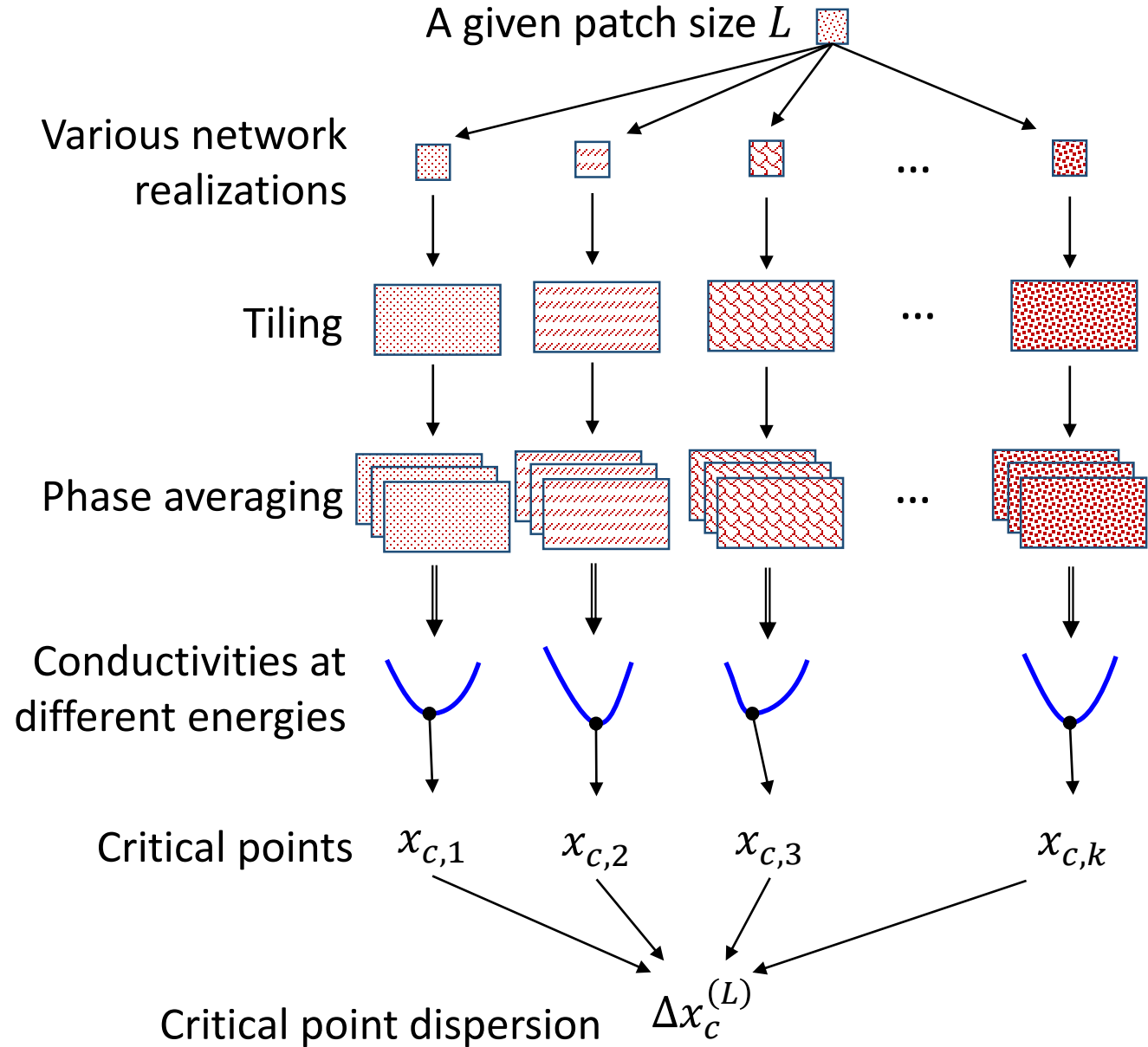
$$\sigma \approx 2.5$$

Harris Criterion for IQHE on GKNS networks

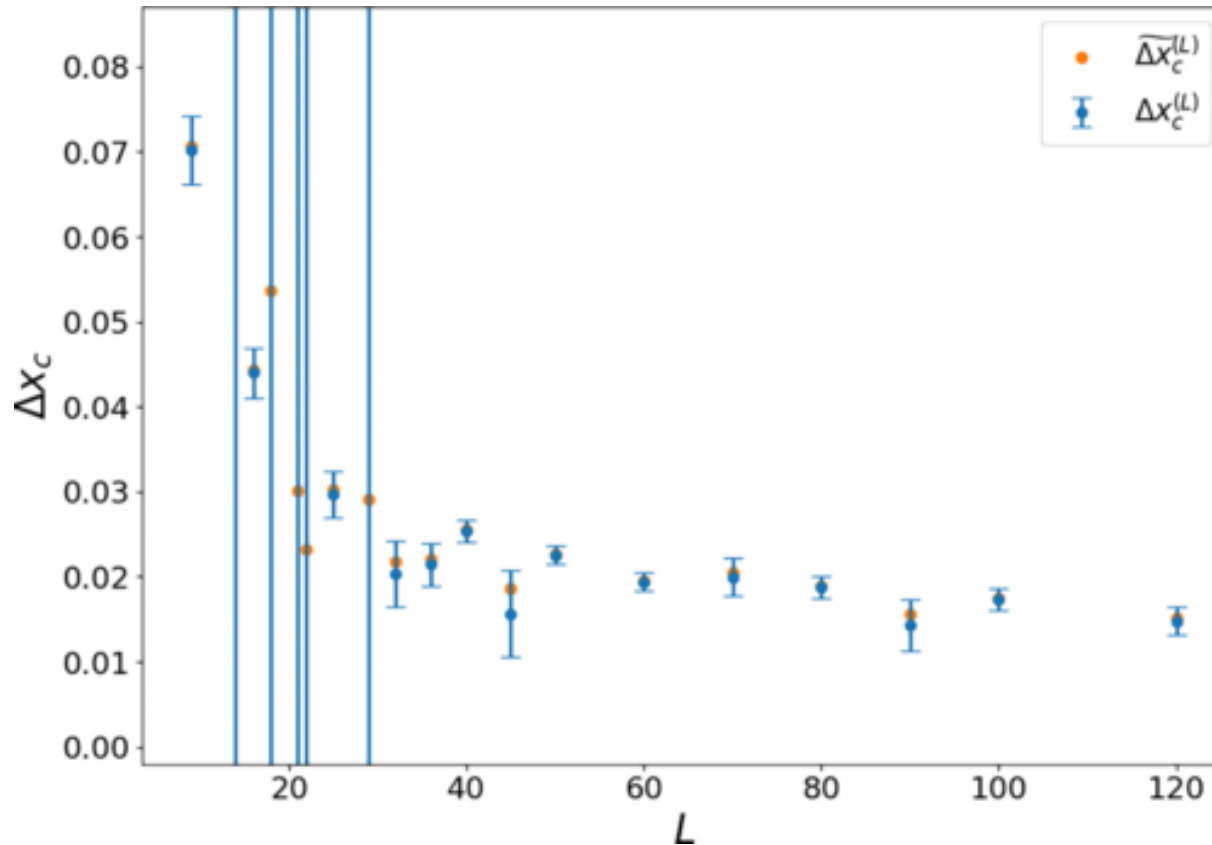


Critical value is calculated as the point of maximum conductivity

Uniformly distributed Monte-Carlo sampling is achieved through $p = 1/3$ RN generation



Harris Criterion for IQHE on KNS network



$$\Delta x_c^{(L)} = \sqrt{\widetilde{\Delta x_c^{(L)}}^2 - 2D_L^2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} D_L$$

$$D_L = \sqrt{\sum_i \delta x_{c,i}^{(L)^2} / \#i}$$

$$\widetilde{\Delta x_c^{(L)}} = \left\langle x_{c,i}^{(L)} - \left\langle x_{c,i}^{(L)} \right\rangle \right\rangle_2$$

“Naïve” dispersion

Computation uncertainties

Not considering D_L could results in studying our uncertainties, instead of the proposed model.

For larger L -s $\Delta x_c^{(L)} \sim \text{const} \sim L^0$, implying $\beta = 1$. The corresponding Harris-Luck criterion reads as **0 < 1**.

The GKNS network disorder (maybe also any scale-free network?) never satisfies the irrelevance condition.

Conclusion and future work

- The mismatch between the Chalker-Coddington model and the experimental results can be fixed through network randomization
- GKNS disordered networks constitute a significantly different universality class of scale-free networks, which are purely studied in condensed matter context
- Additional properties such as percolation point, curvature correlations, scaling behavior, etc. can be studied to understand the source of difference between GKNS networks from other random networks. This can go as far as solving the measure problem of 2 dimensional surfaces.

Thanks for attention