

Space-time reduction in large-N gauge theories: the view from the lattice

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Numerical results obtained with S. Sharpe '08-'09:

“Non-perturbative volume-reduction of large-N QCD with adjoint fermions.”, PRD, [arXiv:0906.3538](#)

“Breakdown of large-N quenched reduction in SU(N) lattice gauge theories.”, PRD, [arXiv:0805.2146](#)

Outline

- I. What is space-time reduction.

- II. Space-time reduction with adjoint fermions:
 - A) Weak coupling perturbative analysis.

 - B) Non-perturbative lattice Monte-Carlo studies with S. Sharpe '09

- III. Conclusions + future prospects.

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Conditions derived by:

- Orbifold projections.
Neuberger '02,
Kovtun-Unsal-Yaffe '06
- Dyson-Schwinger Eqs.
Eguchi-Kawai '82
- Perturbation theory.

Bhanot-Heller-Neuberger '82,
Gross-Kitazawa '82, Parisi-Zhang '82, ...

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- Like χ S Ward identities :

$$U_{n,\mu} \rightarrow U_{n\mu} (1 + i\epsilon t^a) \quad \text{gauge}$$

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- Crucial difference :

gauge

reduced

$$\text{Tr} (\cdots U_{n\mu} U_{n+\mu,\nu} \cdots U_{m,\mu} U_{m+\mu,\rho} \cdots)$$

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- Get extra terms on the reduced side, so for EK reduction to hold :

$$\left\langle \text{tr} \left(\text{L-shaped diagram} \right) \text{tr} \left(\text{dashed L-shaped diagram} \right) \right\rangle_{\text{reduced}} = 0$$

e.g. $\left\langle \text{tr} (U_\mu U_\nu^\dagger) \text{tr} (U_\mu^\dagger U_\nu) \right\rangle_{\text{reduced}} = 0$

- Reduction holds if

$$\left\langle \text{tr}(\text{loop}) \text{tr}(\text{loop}) \right\rangle_{\text{reduced}} = 0$$

1. $\langle W_{C_1} W_{C_2} \rangle_{\text{reduced}} = \langle W_{C_1} \rangle_{\text{reduced}} \langle W_{C_2} \rangle_{\text{reduced}} + O(1/N^2),$
2. $\langle W_{\text{open}} \rangle_{\text{reduced}} = 0.$ or $U_\mu \rightarrow U_\mu z_\mu$; $z_\mu \in Z_N$ intact

e.g. $W_{\text{open}} = \text{tr} U_\mu$



$$\langle W_C \rangle_{\text{gauge theory}} = \langle W_C^{\text{reduced}} \rangle_{\text{reduced}} + O(1/N^2).$$



Lattice $SU(N)$ on $L^d \stackrel{N \equiv \infty}{\equiv} \text{Lattice } SU(N)$ on 1^d

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Not “academic” requirements:

breakdown of EK equivalence by formation of a baryon crystal

BB '08, BB '09

QEK model
BB+Sharpe '08

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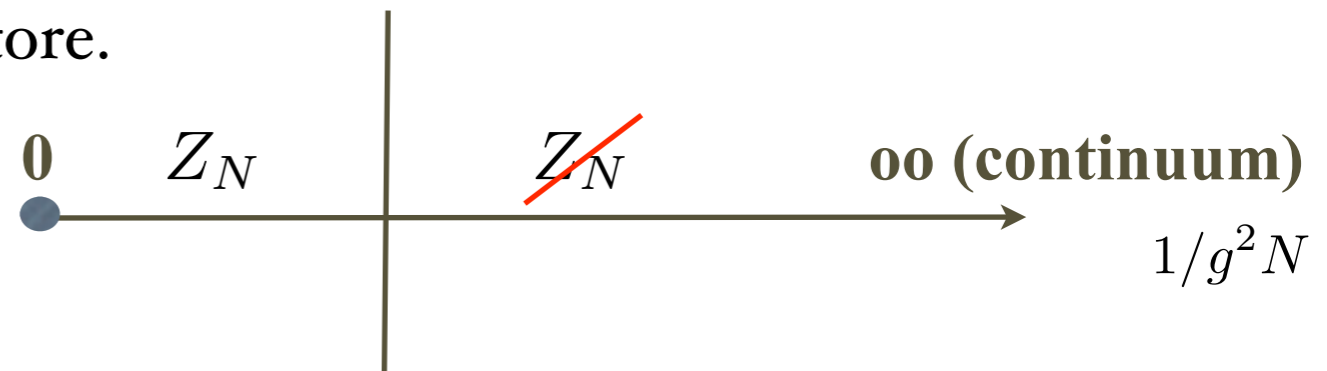
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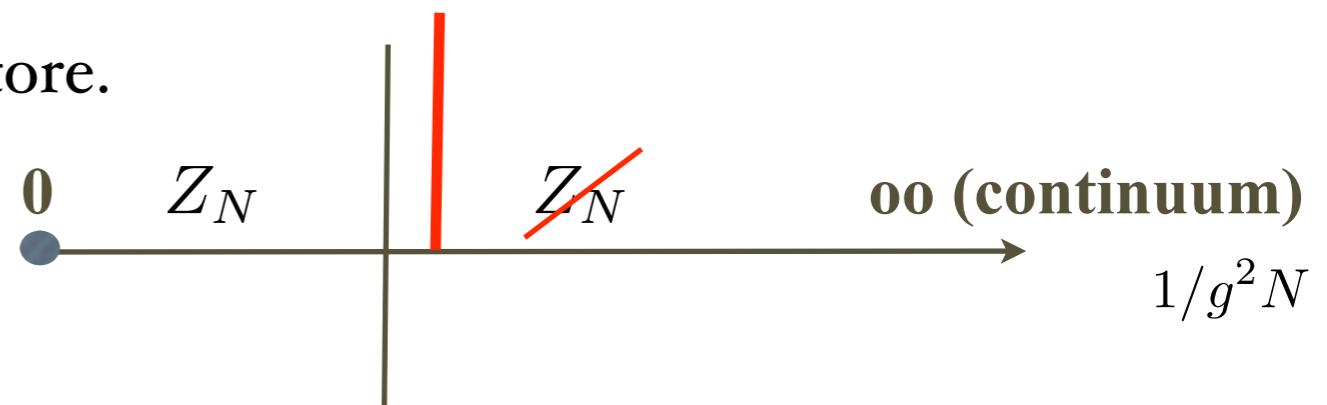


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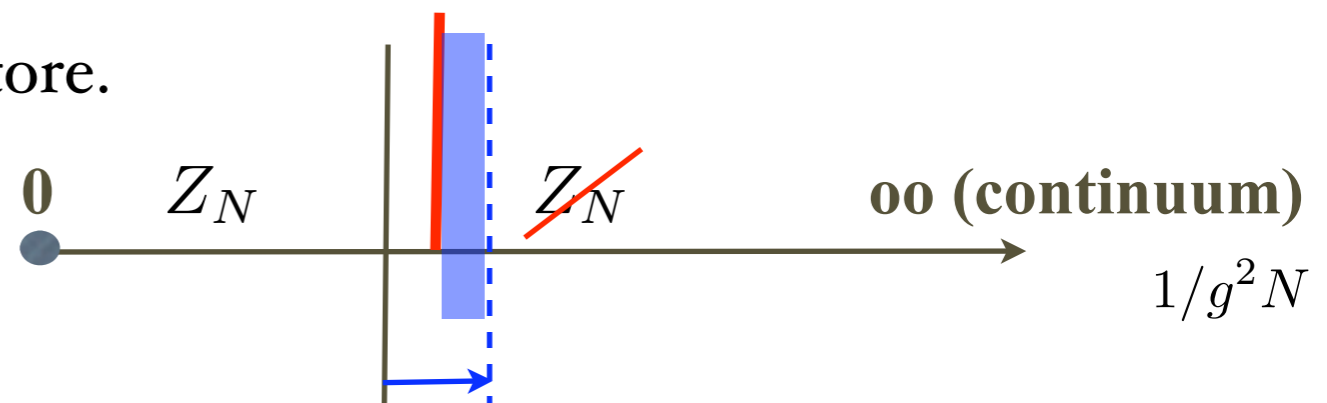
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- Indeed, **Neuberger-Naraynan-et-al. `02**: increase $1^d \rightarrow L^d$.

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II. Space-time reduction with adjoint fermions

Adjoint fermions are interesting:

- $N_f=1/2$ is softly broken $\mathcal{N}=1$ SUSY.
- $N_f=2$ is in (or close by to) the conformal window.
- Any value of N_f and heavy enough quarks is YM.

Can study large-N limit
of all these with method I
will describe.

Main motivation: study the $N_f=1$ theory

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A route to the
orientifold limit

Study a large-N limit of QCD where quarks are back-reacting on gauge fields



Natural to put quarks in two-antisymmetric :

QCD(AS)

Corrigan-Ramond,
Armoni-Shifman-Veneziano,
Sannino et al.

Armoni-Veneziano-Shifman Planar equivalence '03:

QCD(AS)
infinite volume
 $2N_f$ fermions

“orientifold equivalence”



QCD(Adj)
infinite volume
 N_f fermions



Study 1-flavor adjoint QCD gives physical QCD

Want to study this on a single site: But is the Z_N symmetry intact for this theory?

II.A. Weak coupling analysis, continuum

Kovtun-
Unsal-
Yaffe, 2007

- Work on $R^3 \times S^1$ with **PBC**
- Calculate V_{eff} for Polyakov loops Ω in continuum perturbation theory.

$$V(\Omega) = V_{\text{Glue}}^{1\text{-loop}}(\Omega) - 2N_f V_{\text{Fermi}}^{1\text{-loop}}(\Omega) = (1 - 2N_f) V_{\text{Glue}}^{1\text{-loop}}(\Omega) \quad ; \quad \text{mass} = 0$$



causes eigenvalue
attraction $\text{tr}(\Omega) \neq 0$

- Z_N broken if $N_f = 0$ (failure of EK model, or deconfinement)
- Z_N unbroken for $N_f = 1, 2$.
- **Result is suggestive: not lattice, not single site, only perturbative**

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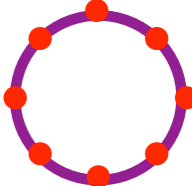
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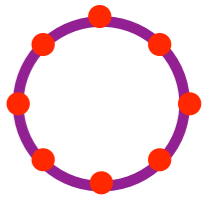
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- As if $L_1 = \infty$: “Embedding of space-time in color space”

perturbation theory: **Bhanot-Heller-Neuberger, Gross-Kitazawa, Parisi-Zhang '82, Neuberger '02**

beyond perturbation? the soluble 1+1 case: **Schon-Thies '01, BB '08.**

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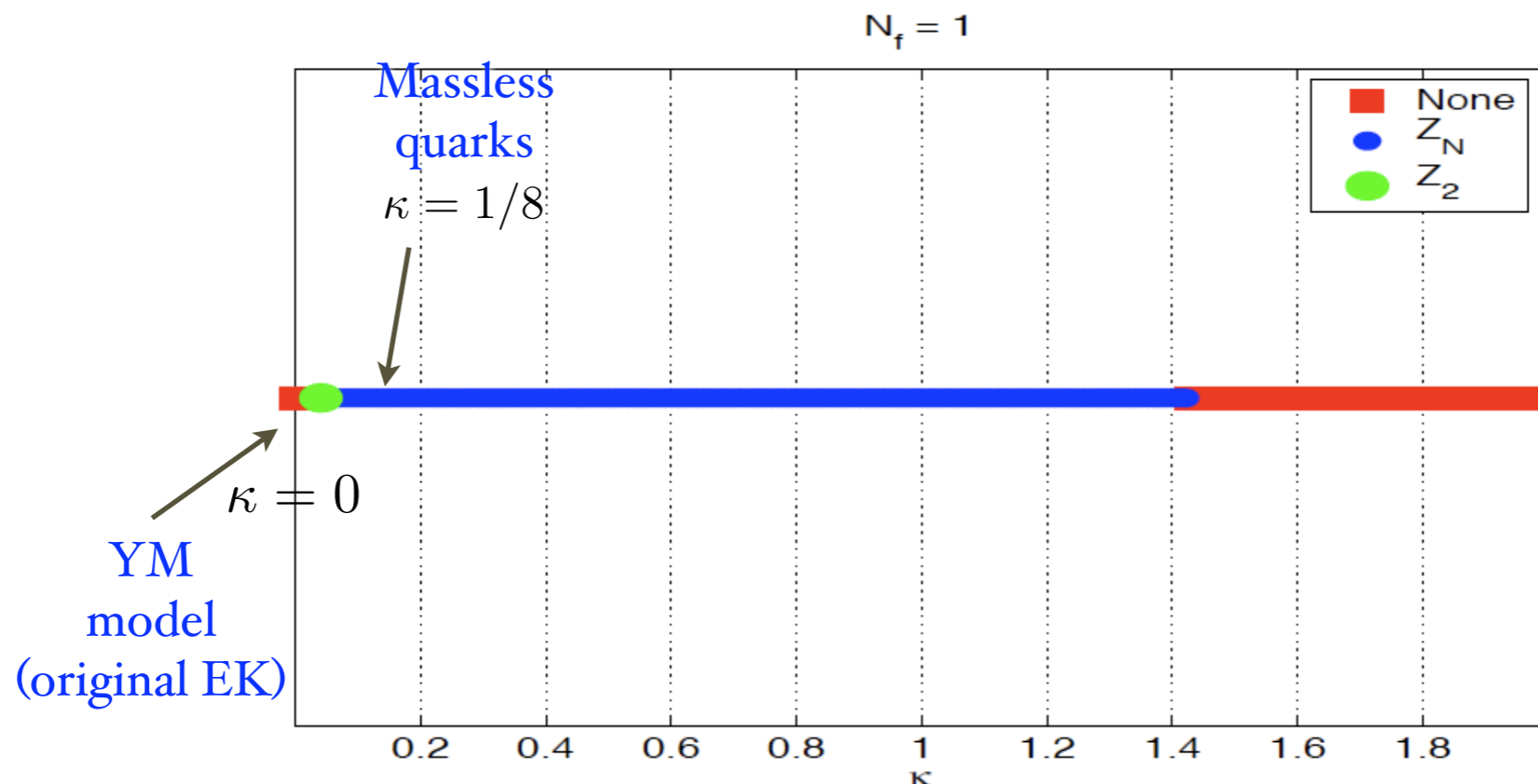
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These are good news:
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- But can show that this result is UV sensitive **BB '09**

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$\xrightarrow{\text{"}a_s \rightarrow 0\text{"}}$

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Given mass **m**, there will be **r**'s for which fermions unimportant and **Vr < 0**.

$Z_N \rightarrow Z_r$
with $r = f(m)$

But really need a non-perturbative lattice study

- Really interested in $L_{1,2,3,4}=1$, but IR div's.
- What happens at $g^2 N \simeq 1 - 3$?
- Non-perturbative effect (e.g. QEK and TEK model).



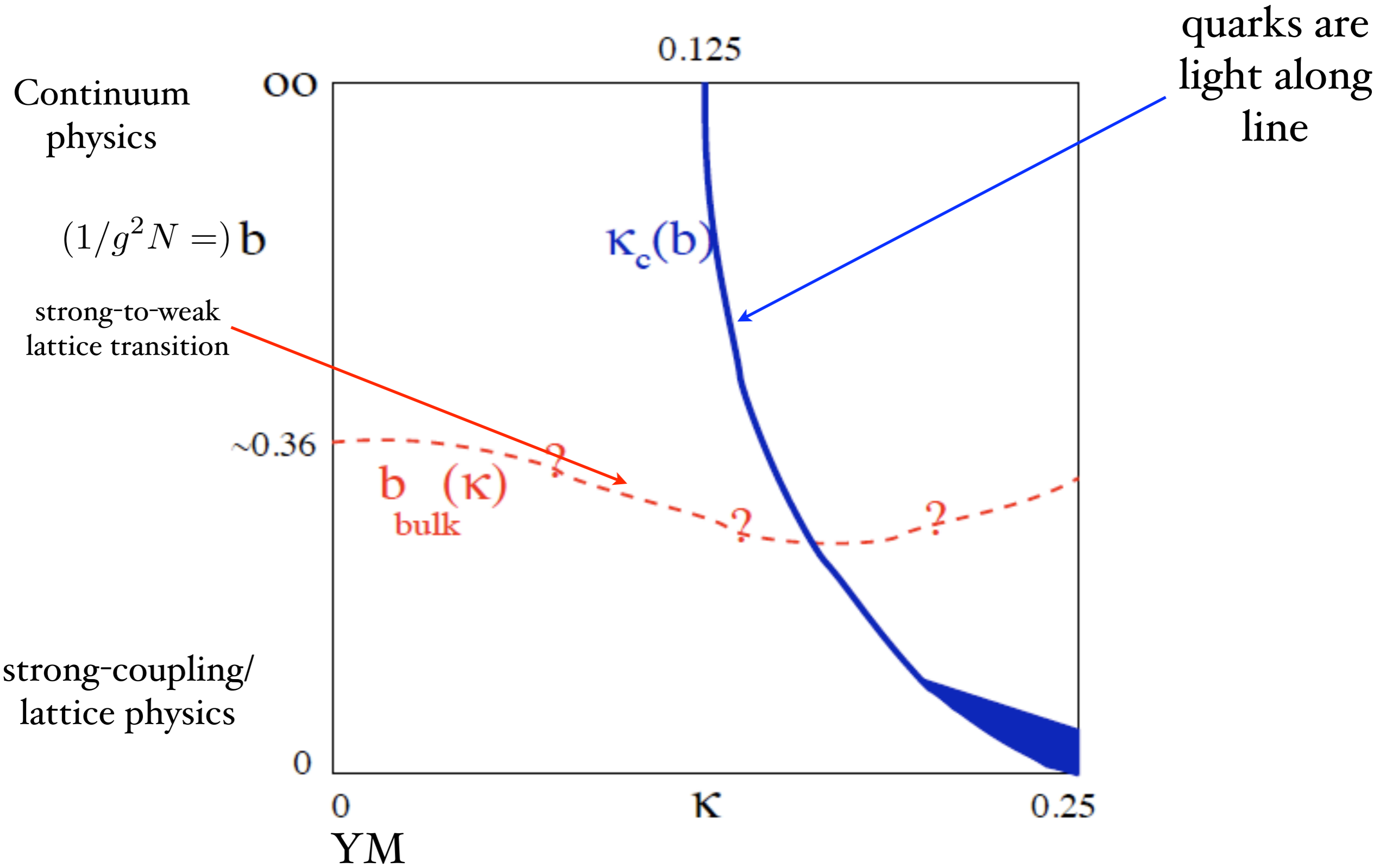
Simulate $N_f=1$ Wilson adjoint fermions [BB+S.Sharpe, 0906.3538](#)

Goal : Map single-site theory in κ and $g^2 N$
Look for intact Z_N .

** Lattice`09: contrasting preliminary results [Hietanen+Narayanan](#)

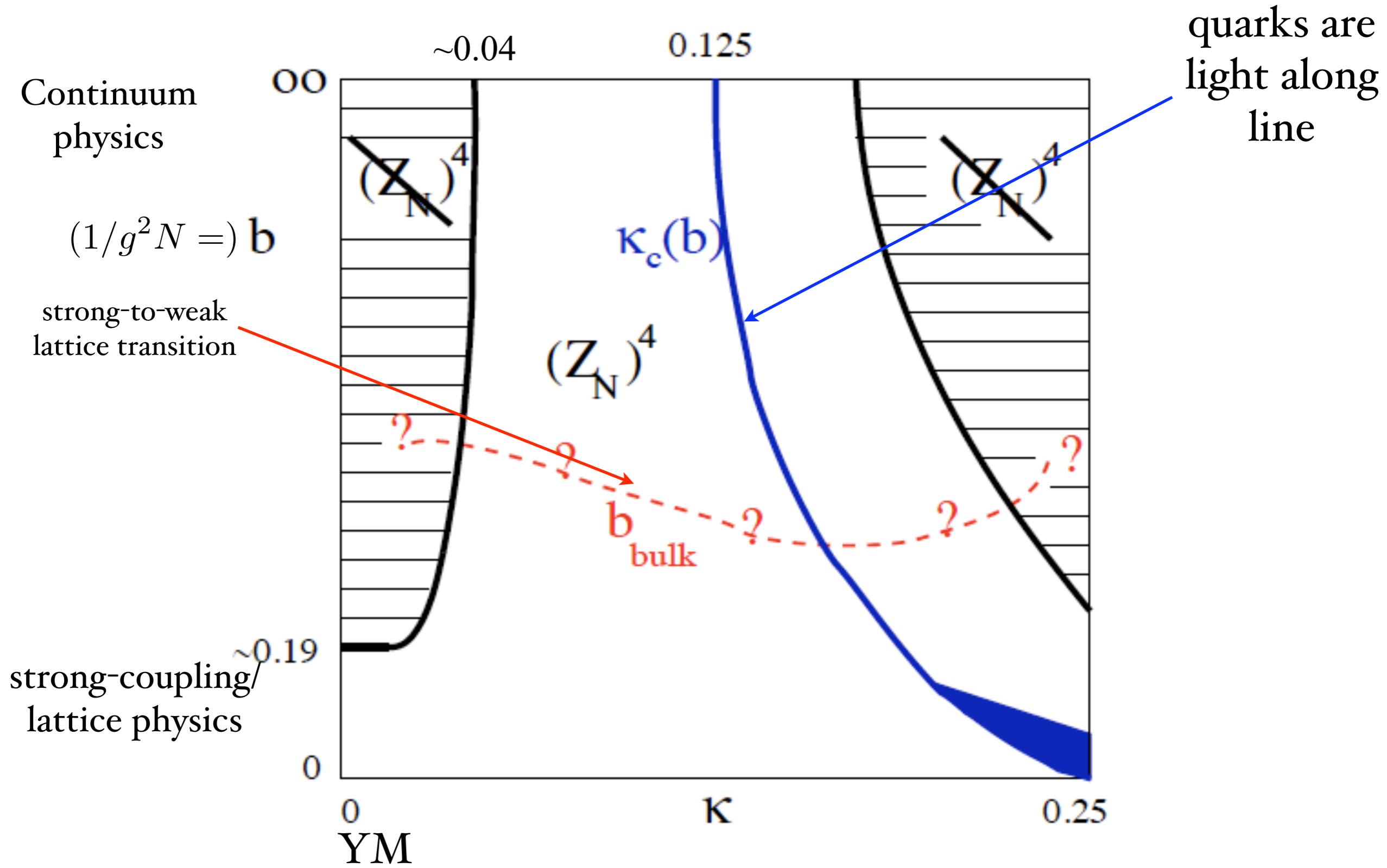
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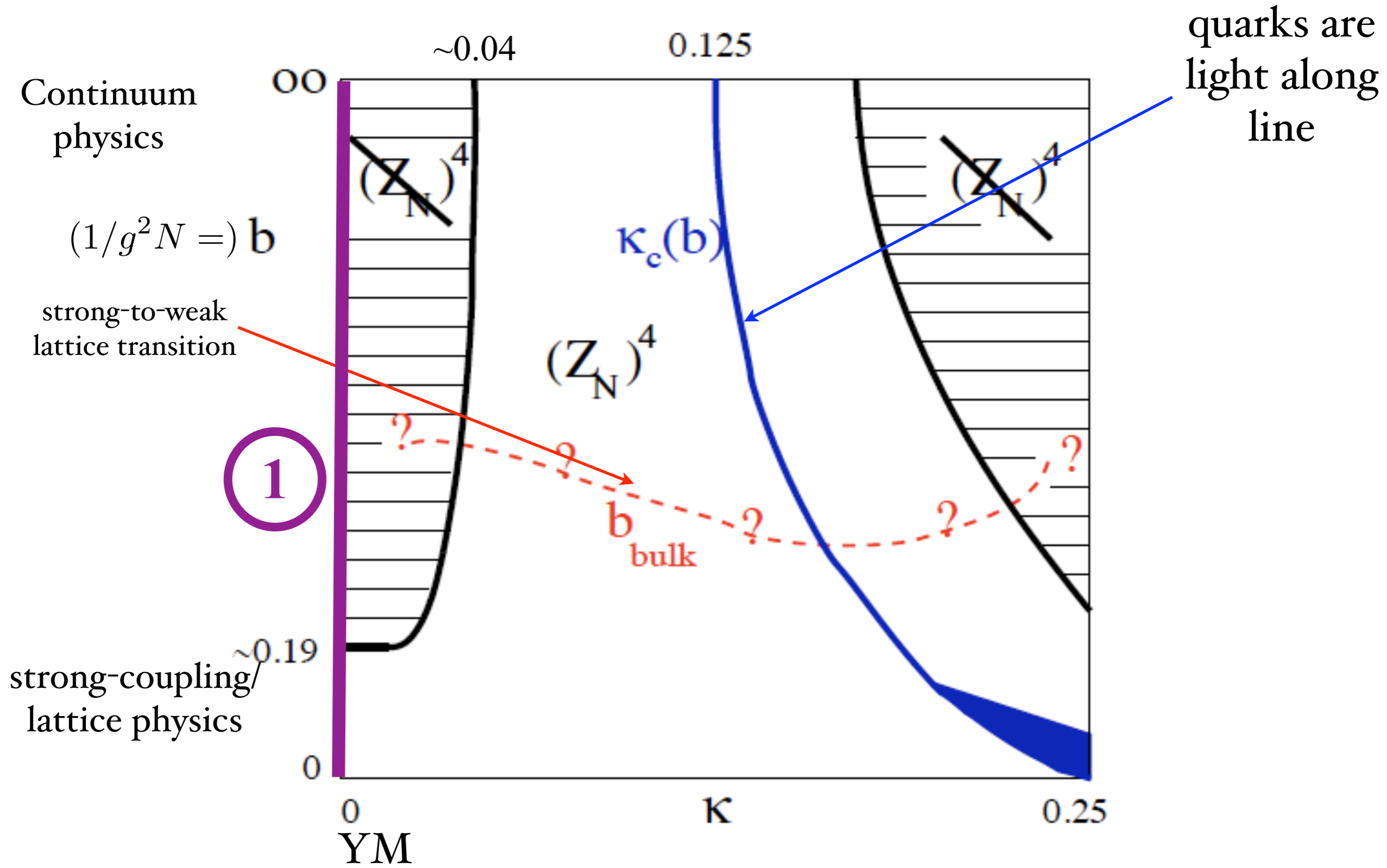
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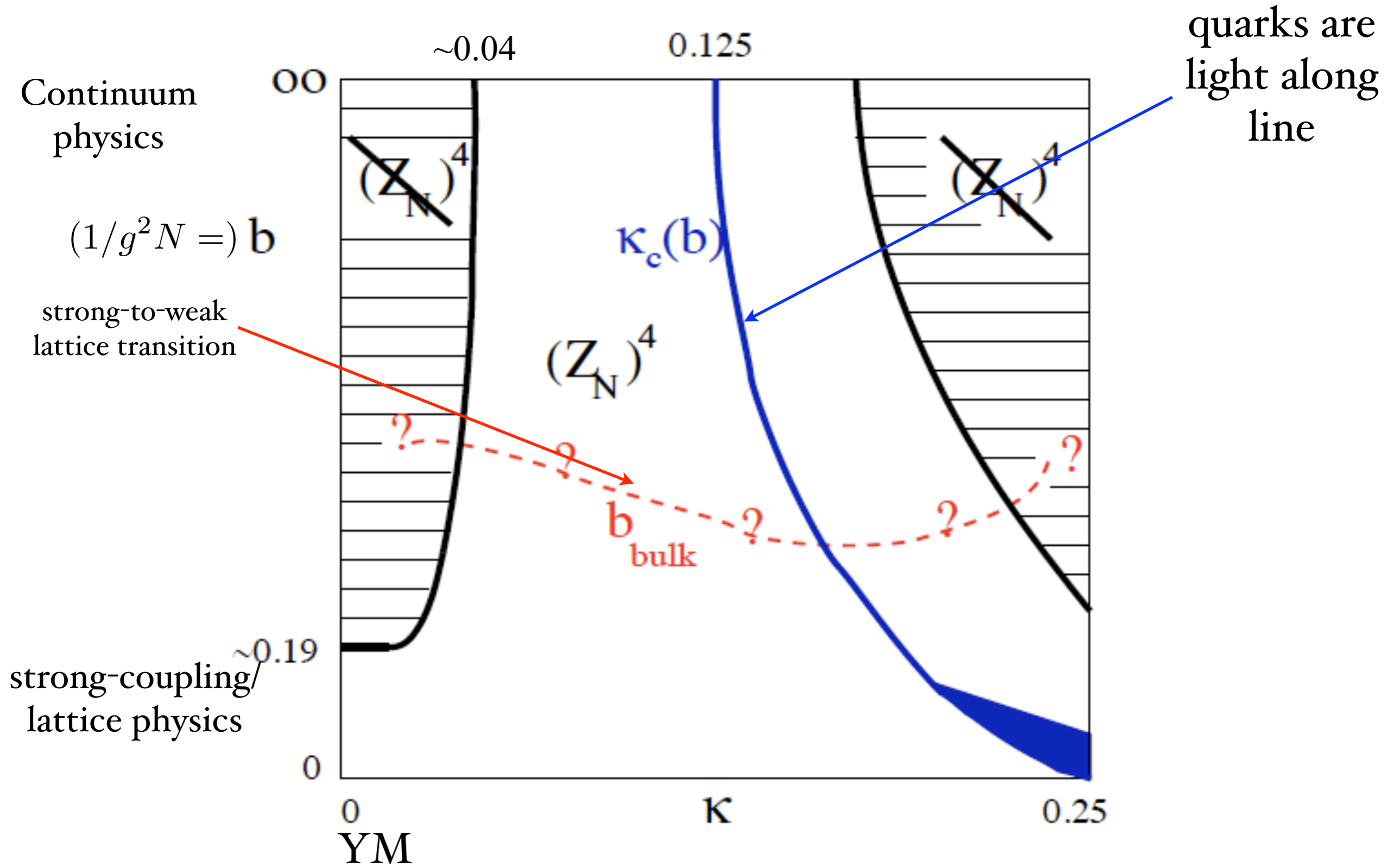
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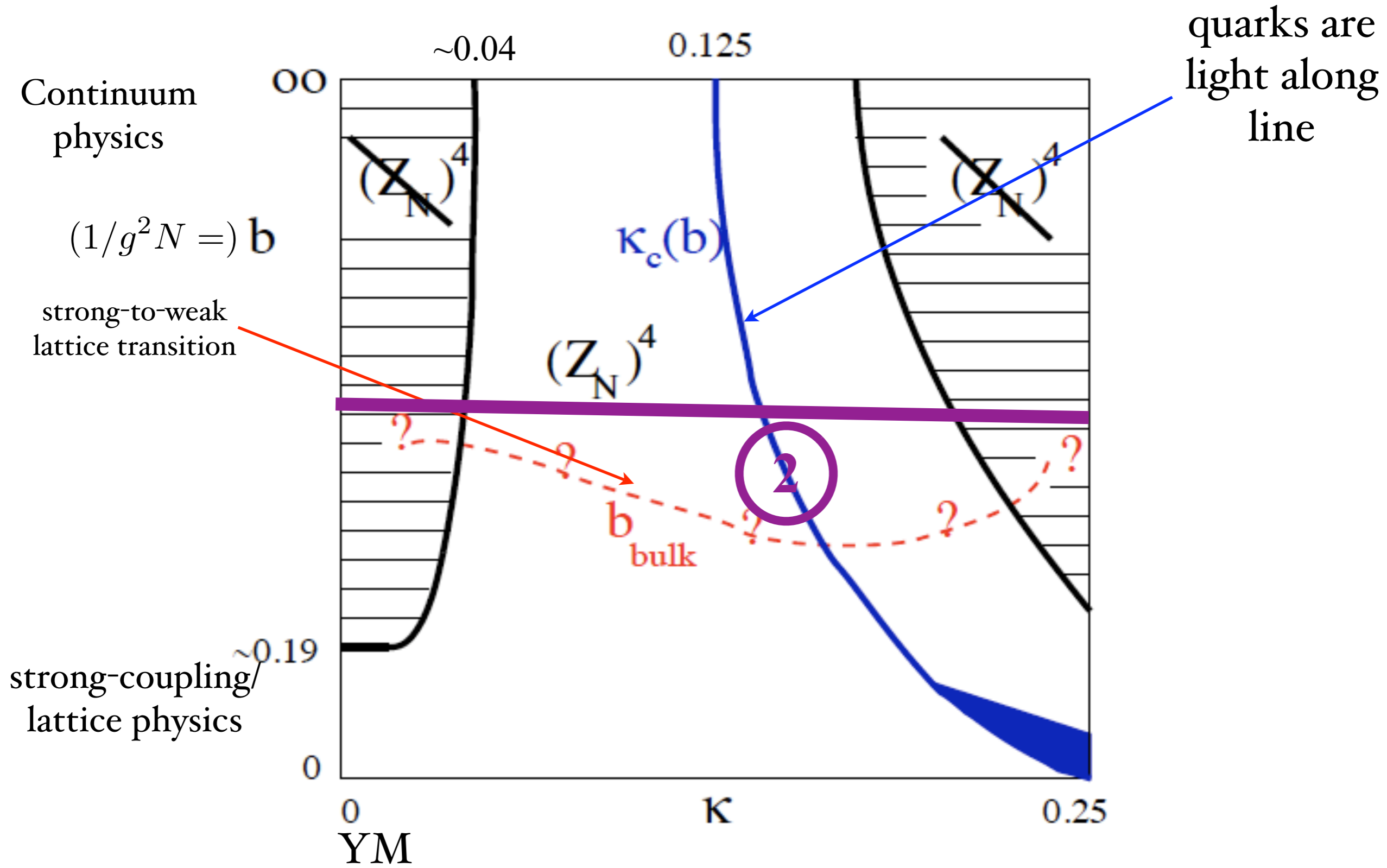
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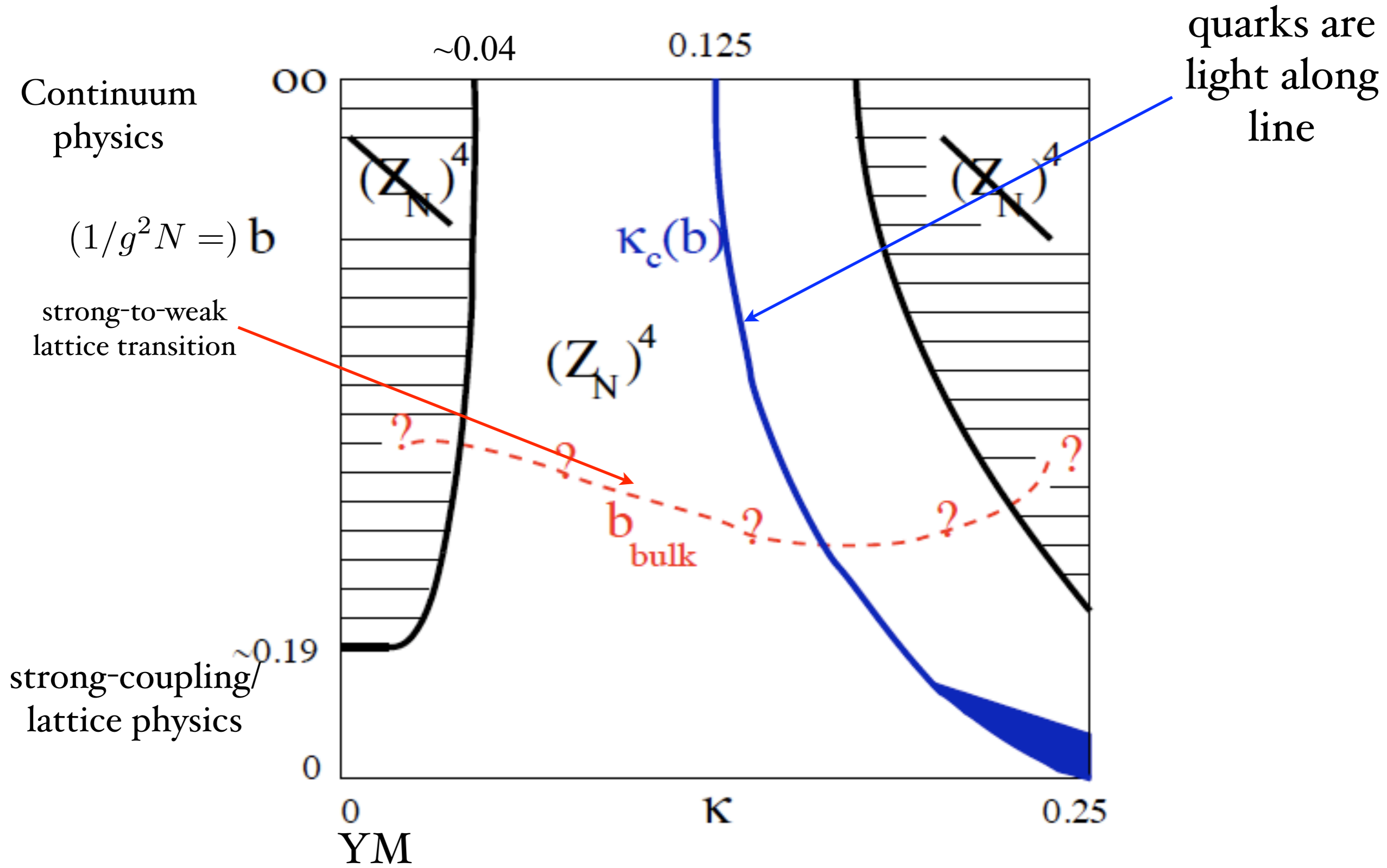
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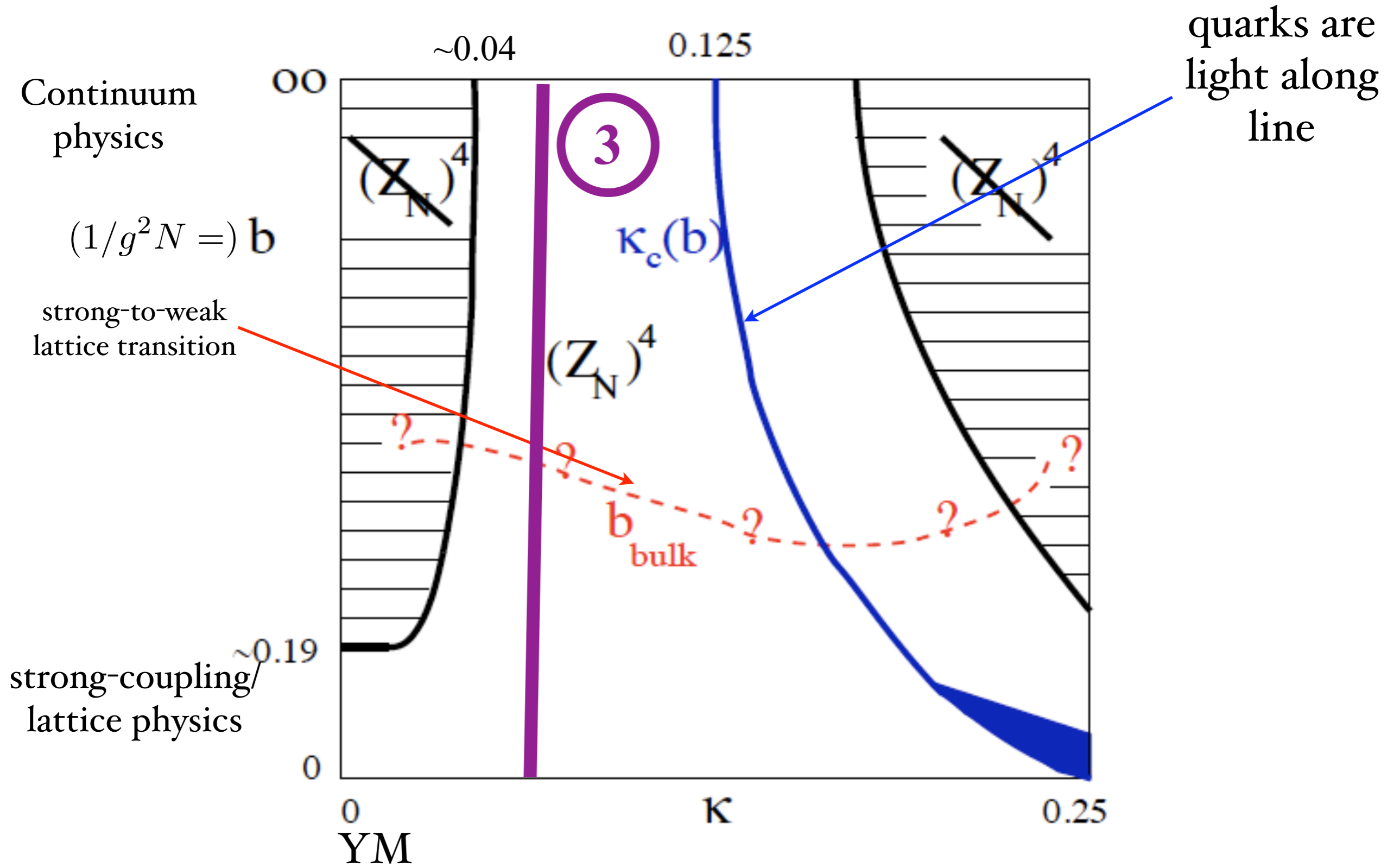
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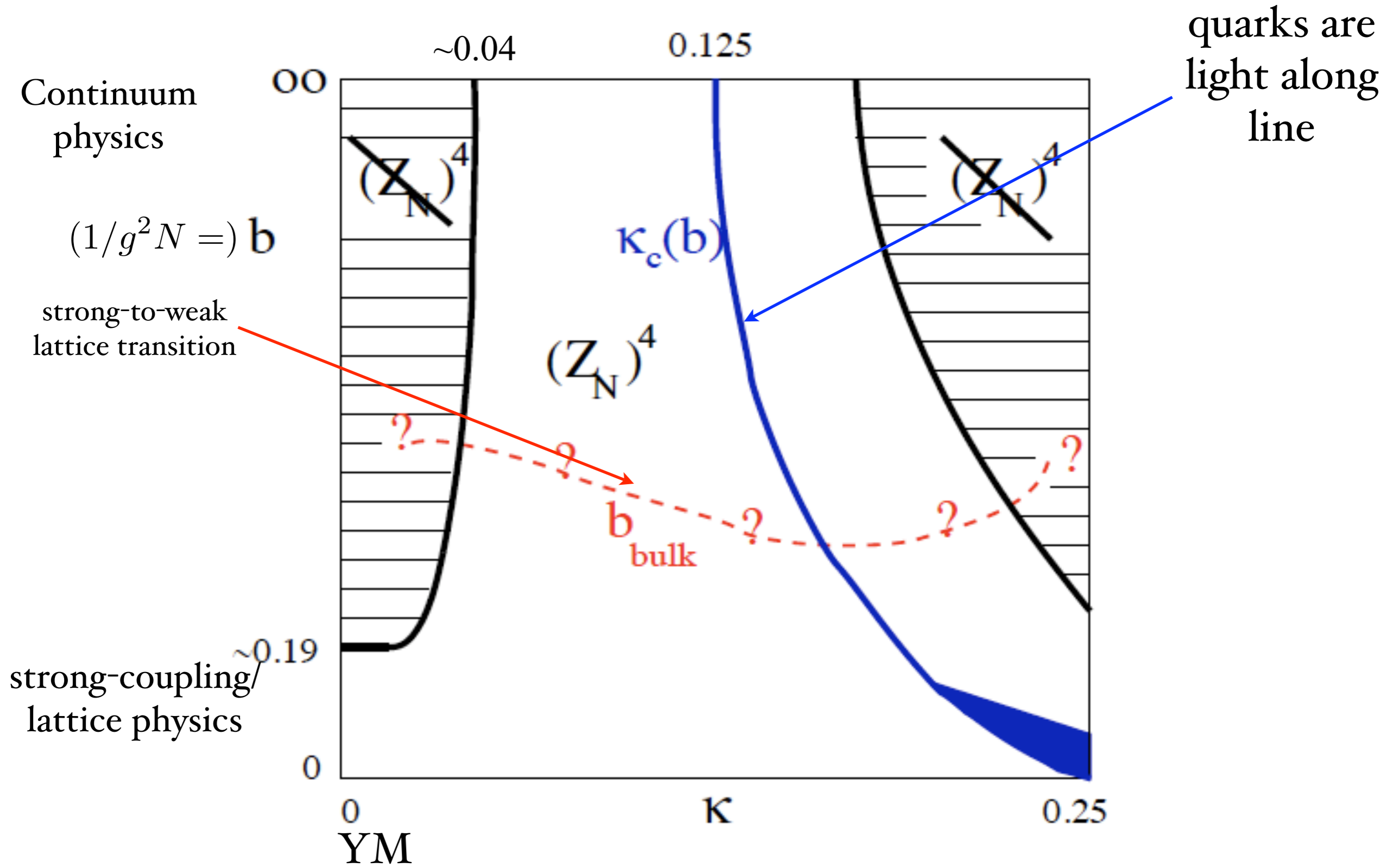
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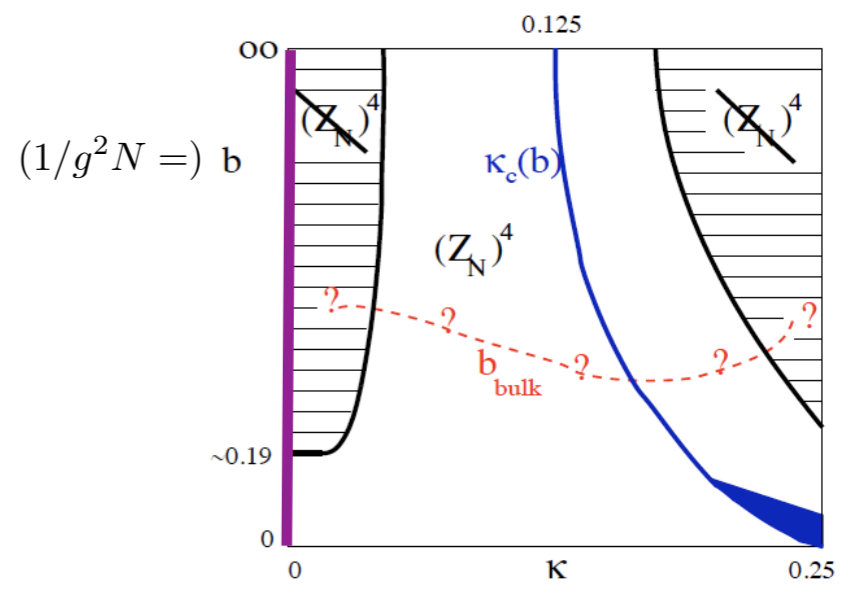
$$P(U) = \exp \left\{ \frac{2}{g^2} \sum_{\mu > \nu} \text{Re Tr} [U_\mu U_\nu U_\mu^\dagger U_\nu^\dagger] \right\} \times \det \left\{ 1 - \kappa \sum_{\mu} [(1 + \gamma_\mu) U_\mu^G + (1 - \gamma_\mu) U_\mu^{\dagger G}] \right\}$$

- Determinant is real & positive
- Update $N(N-1)/2$ SU(2) subgroups in turn on each of the 4 links
- Evaluate determinant explicitly: 50-60% accept.
- Scaling is $(N^2)^3 \times N^2 \longrightarrow$ can reach $N=15$ on PCs
- Measure every 5 sweeps after ~ 50 sweeps thermalizations (1 sweep = 5 hits of Metropolis)
- 100-3700 measurements

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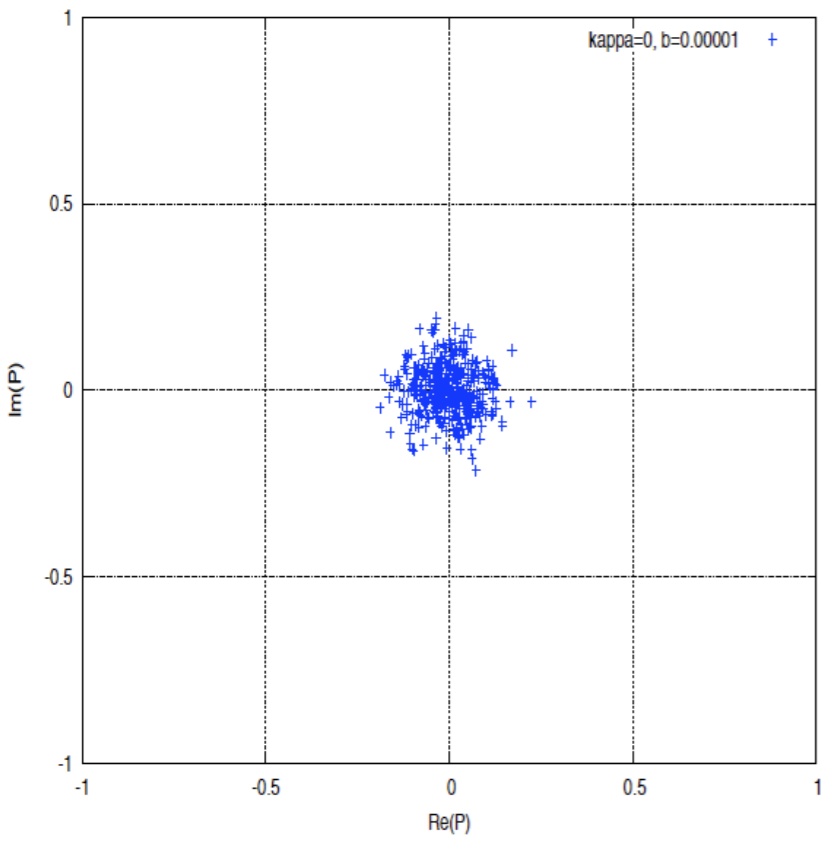
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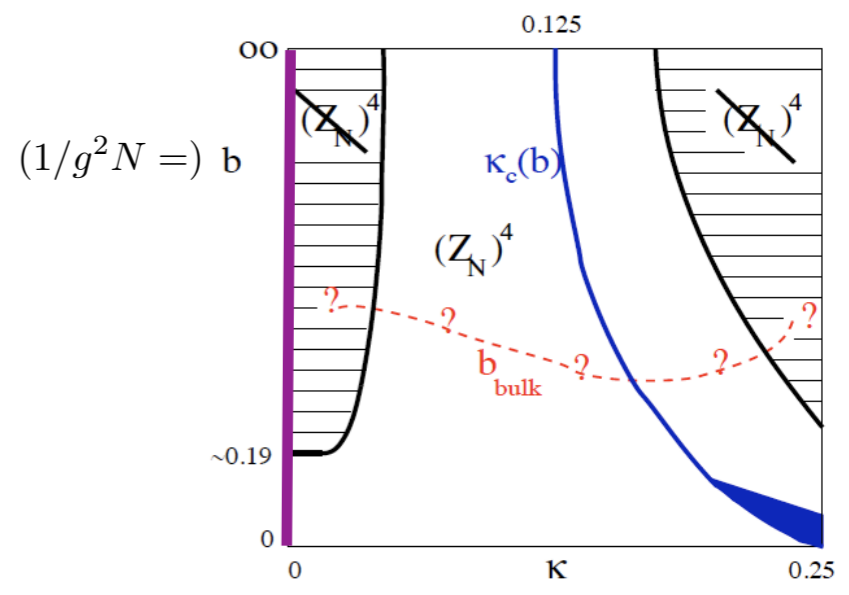
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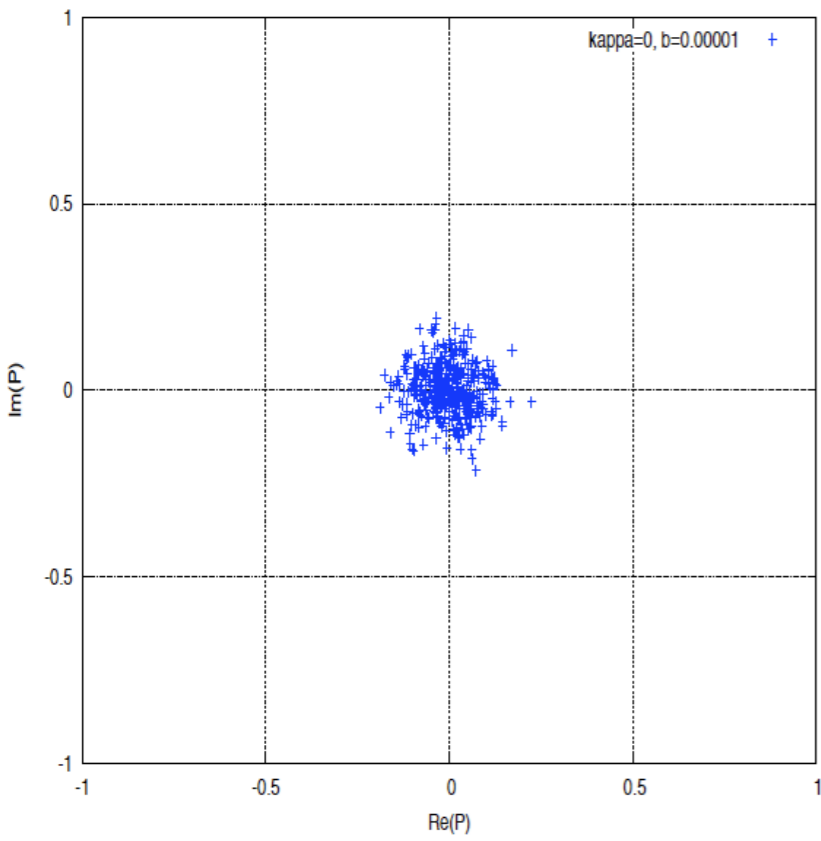
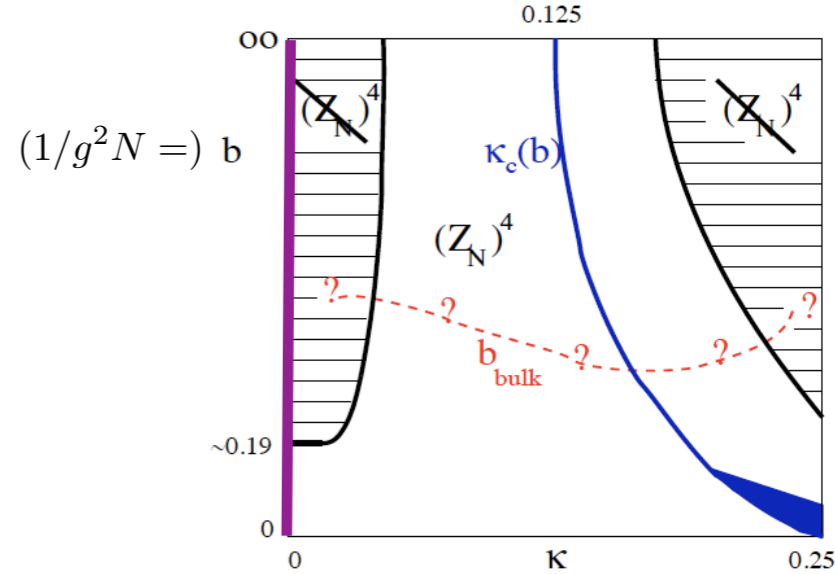
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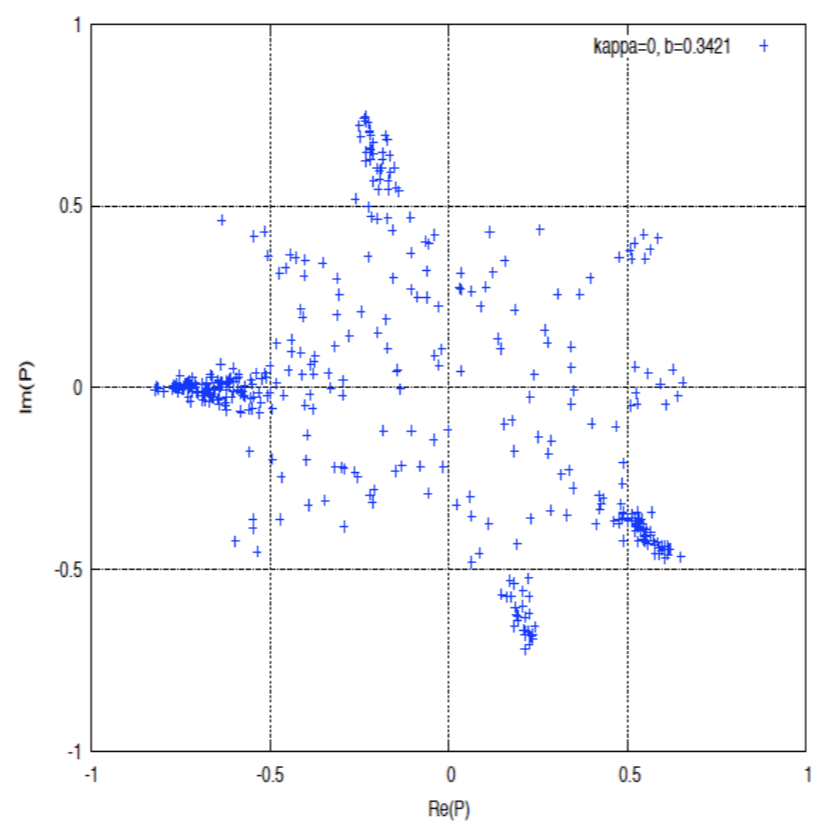
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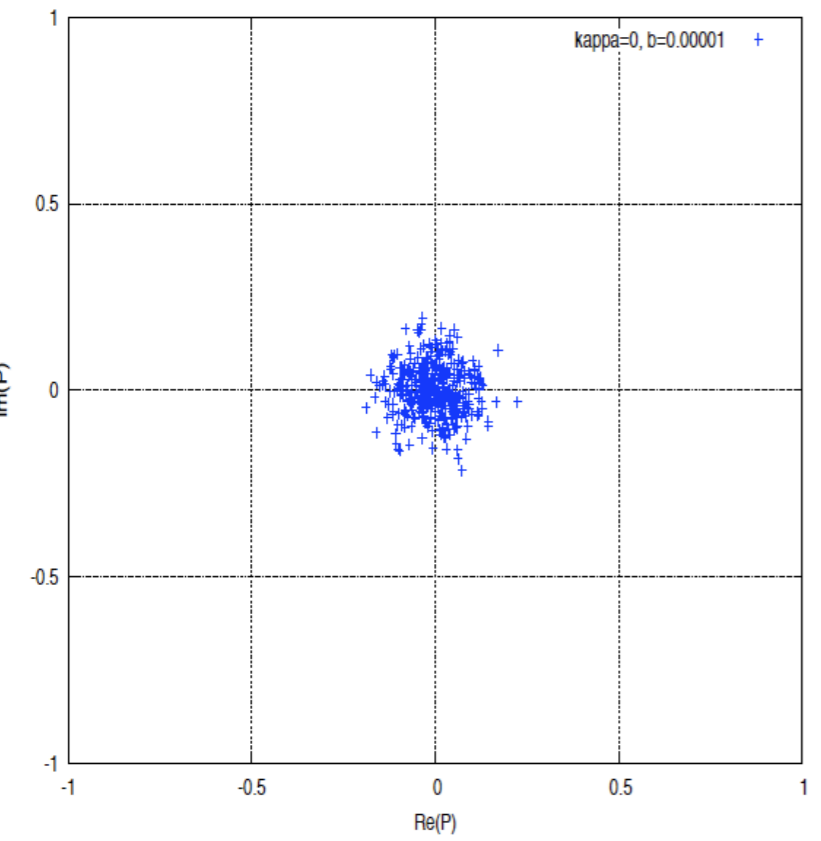
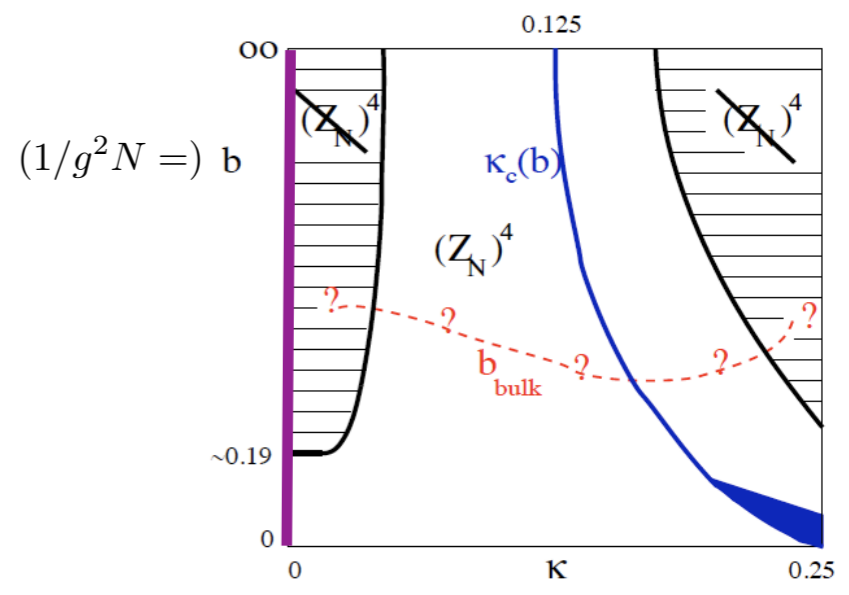


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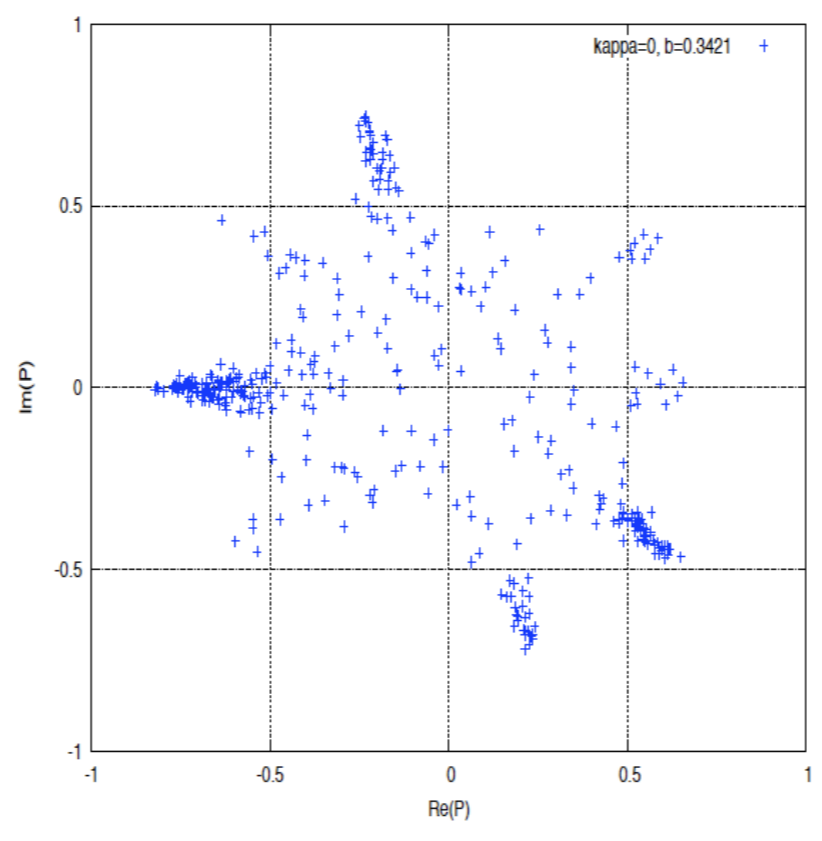
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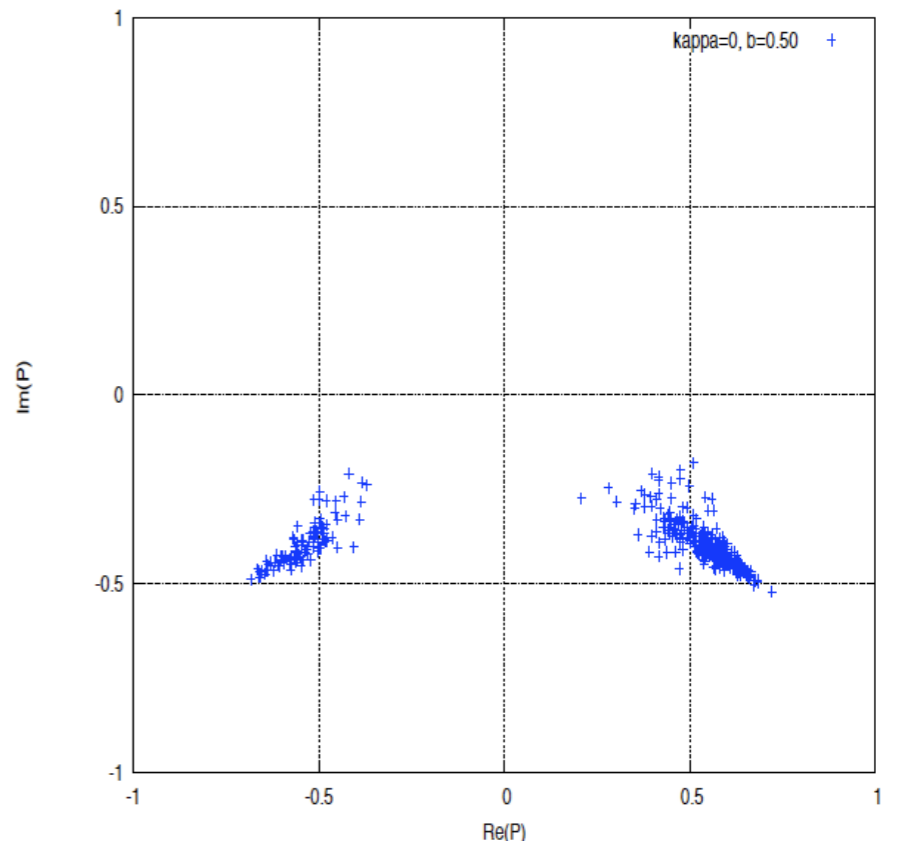
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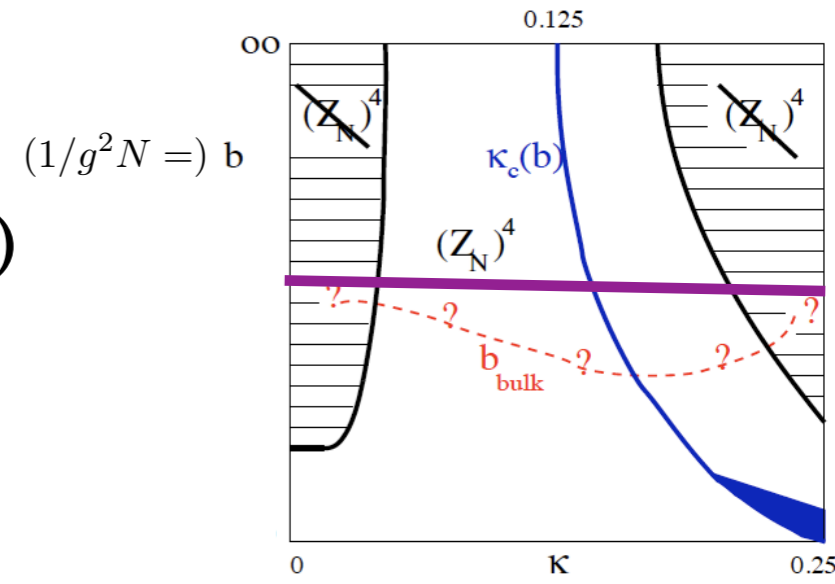
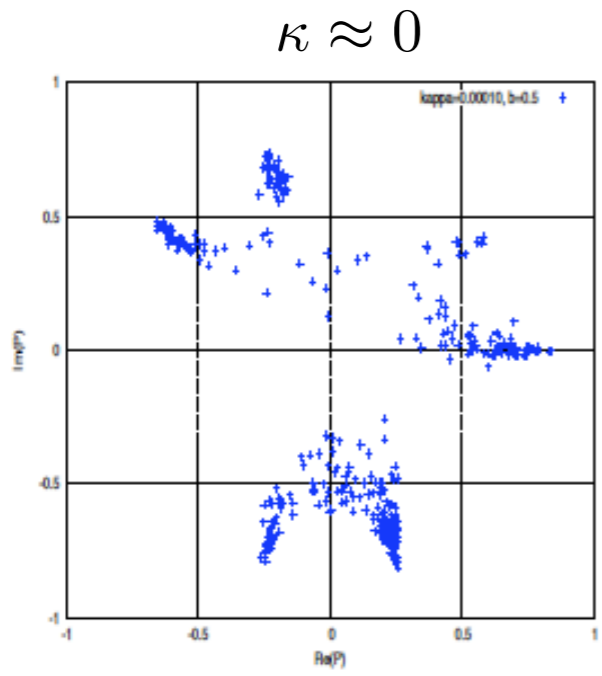
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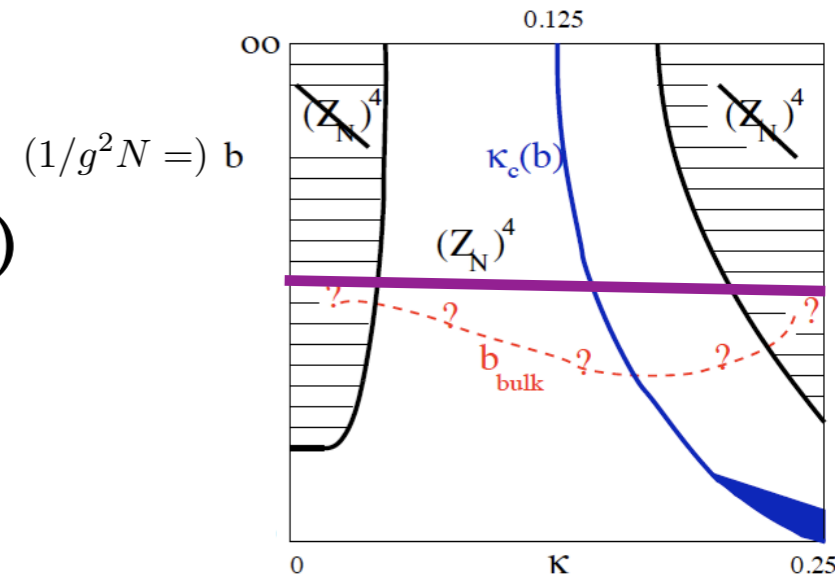
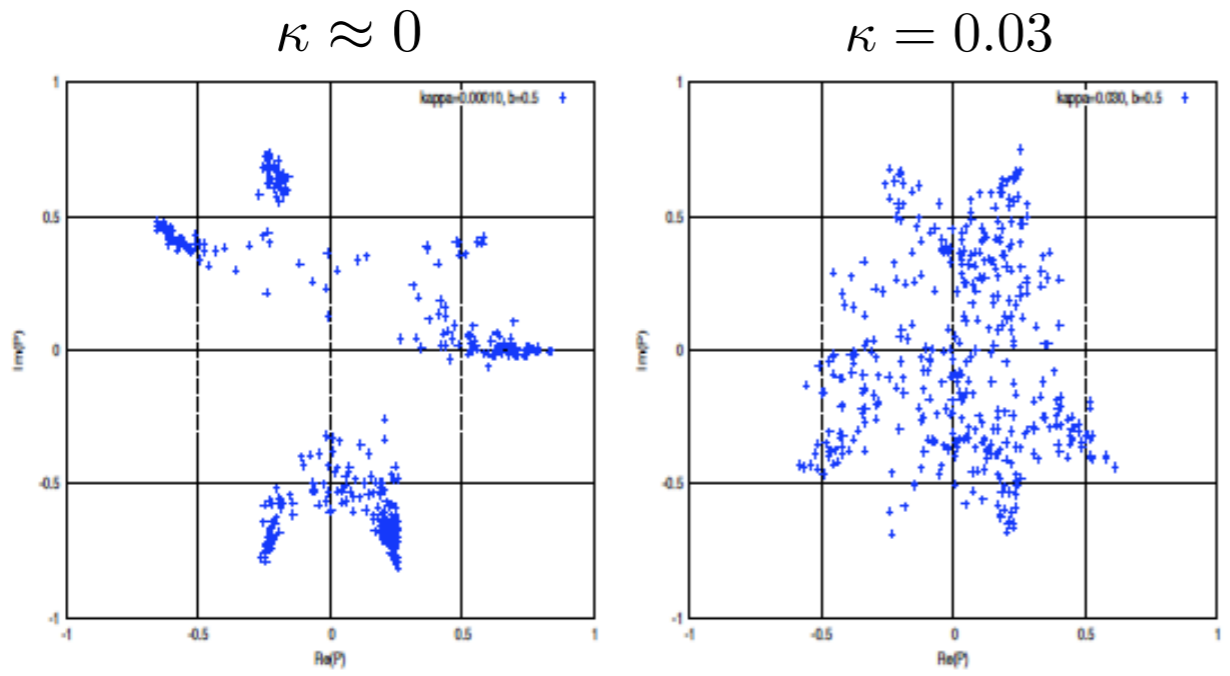
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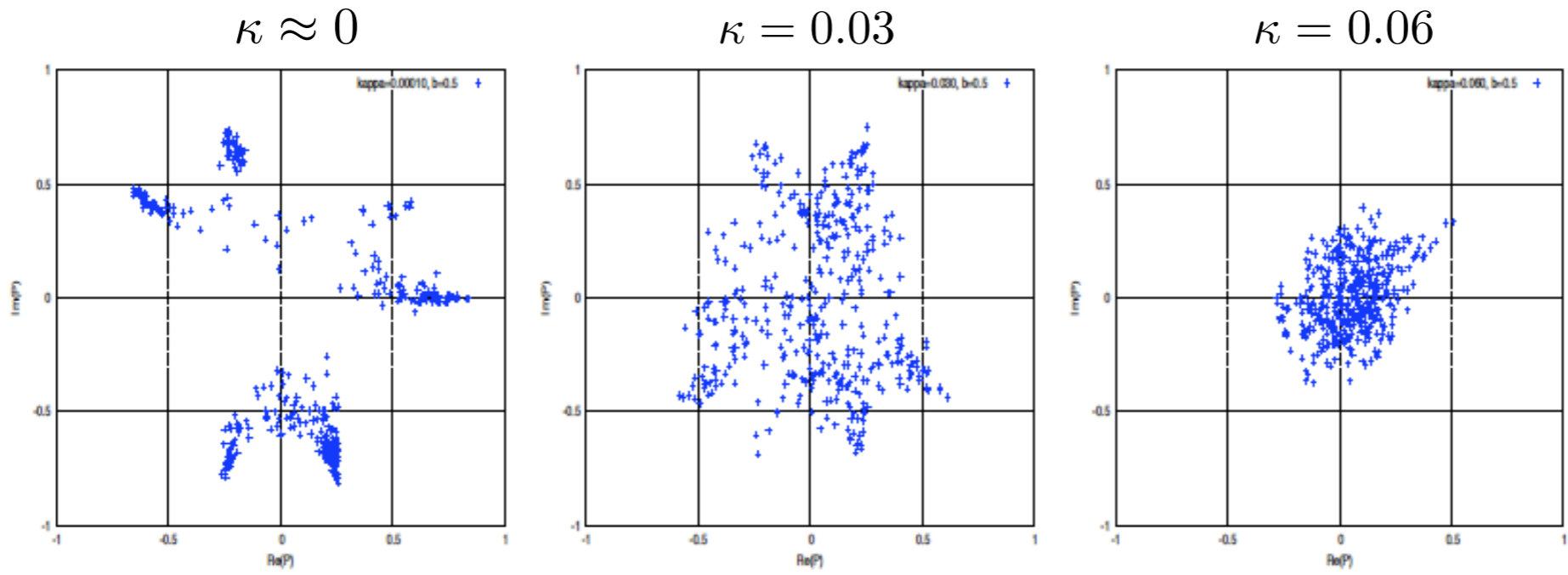
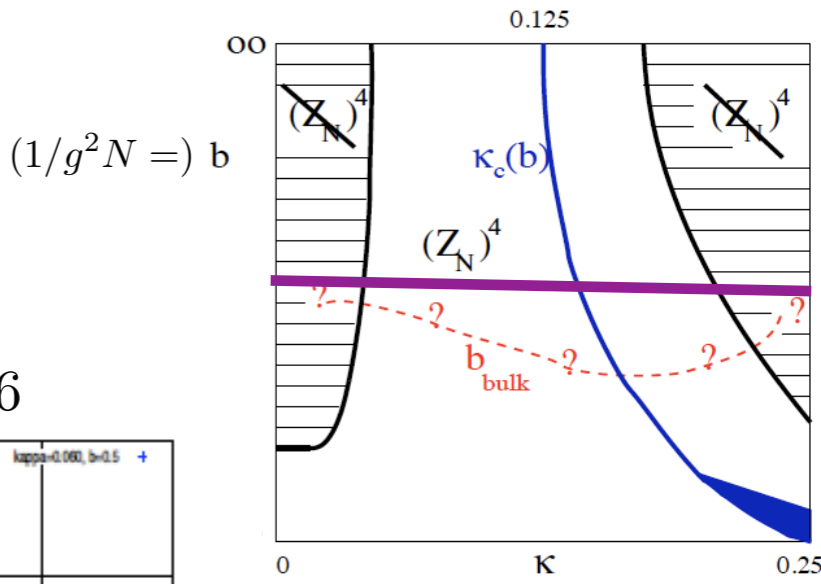
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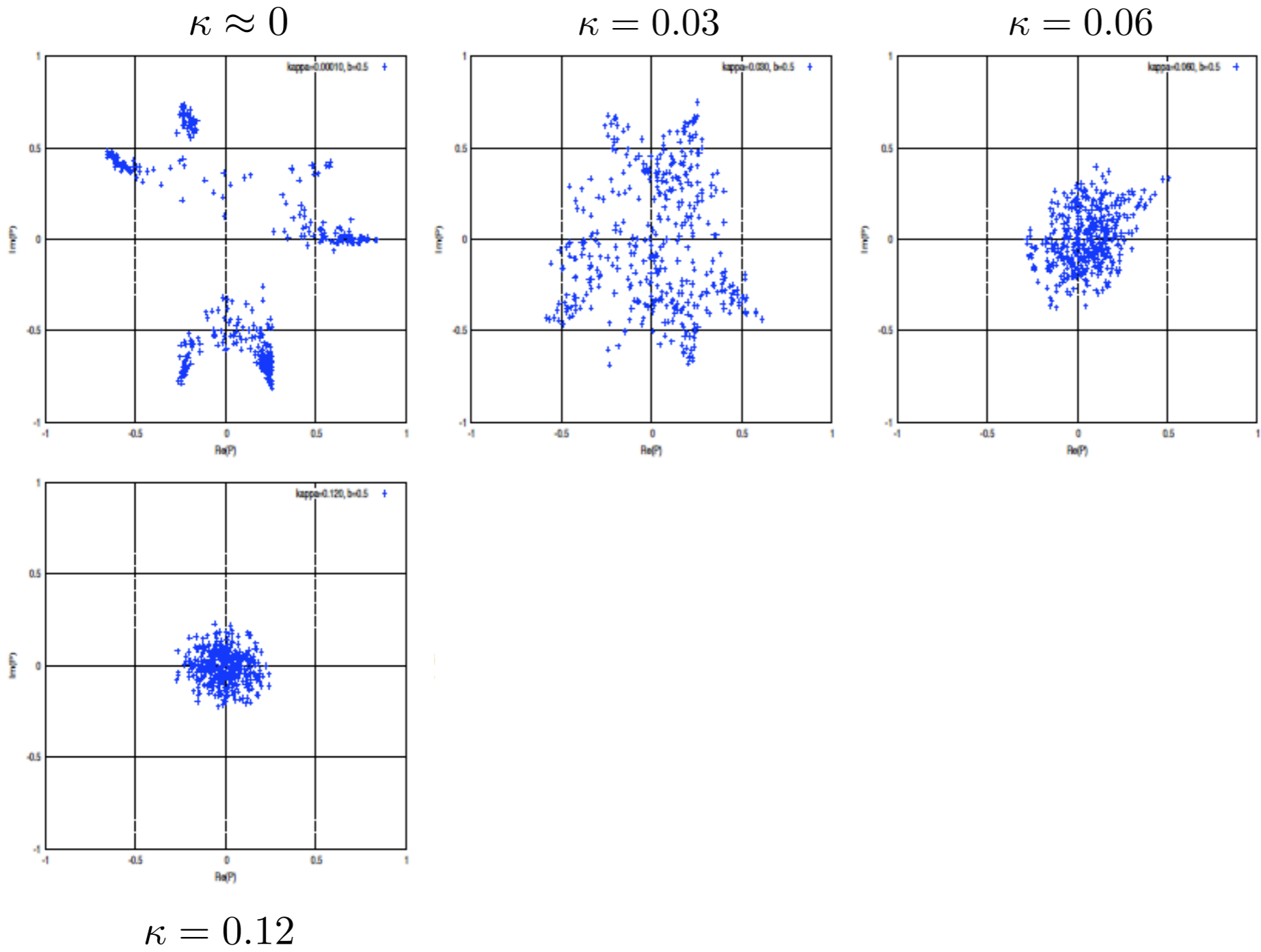
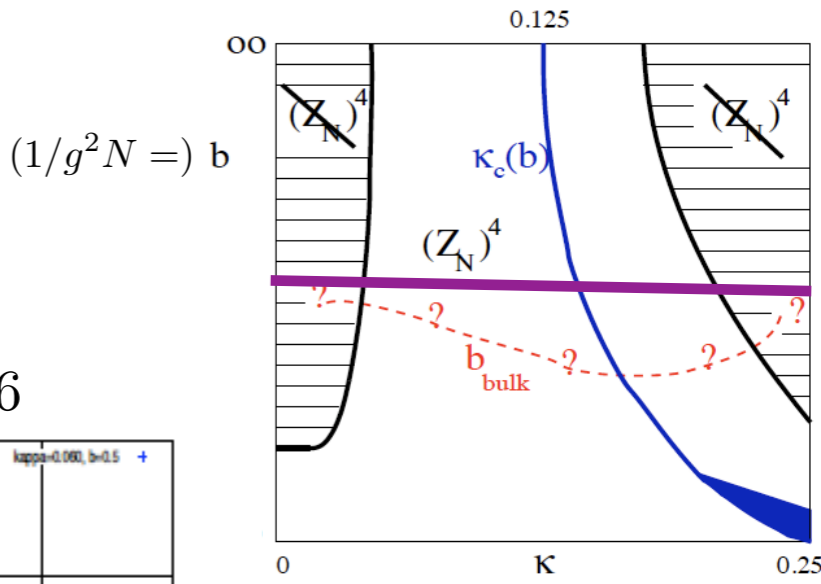
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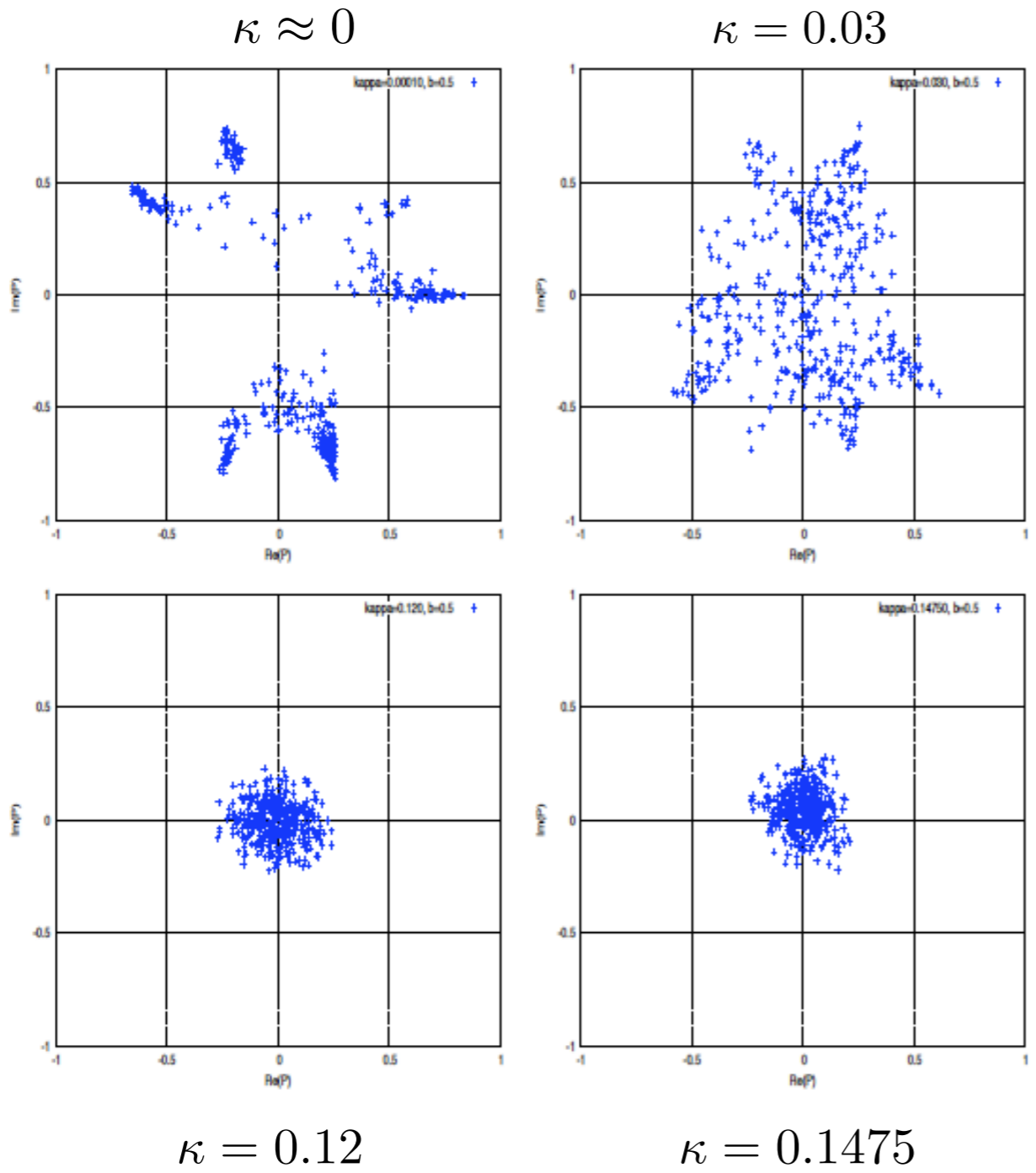
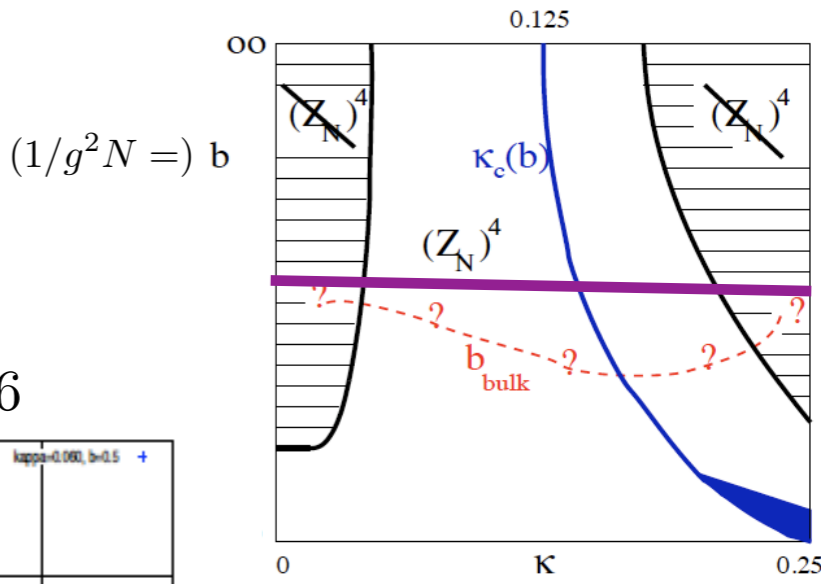
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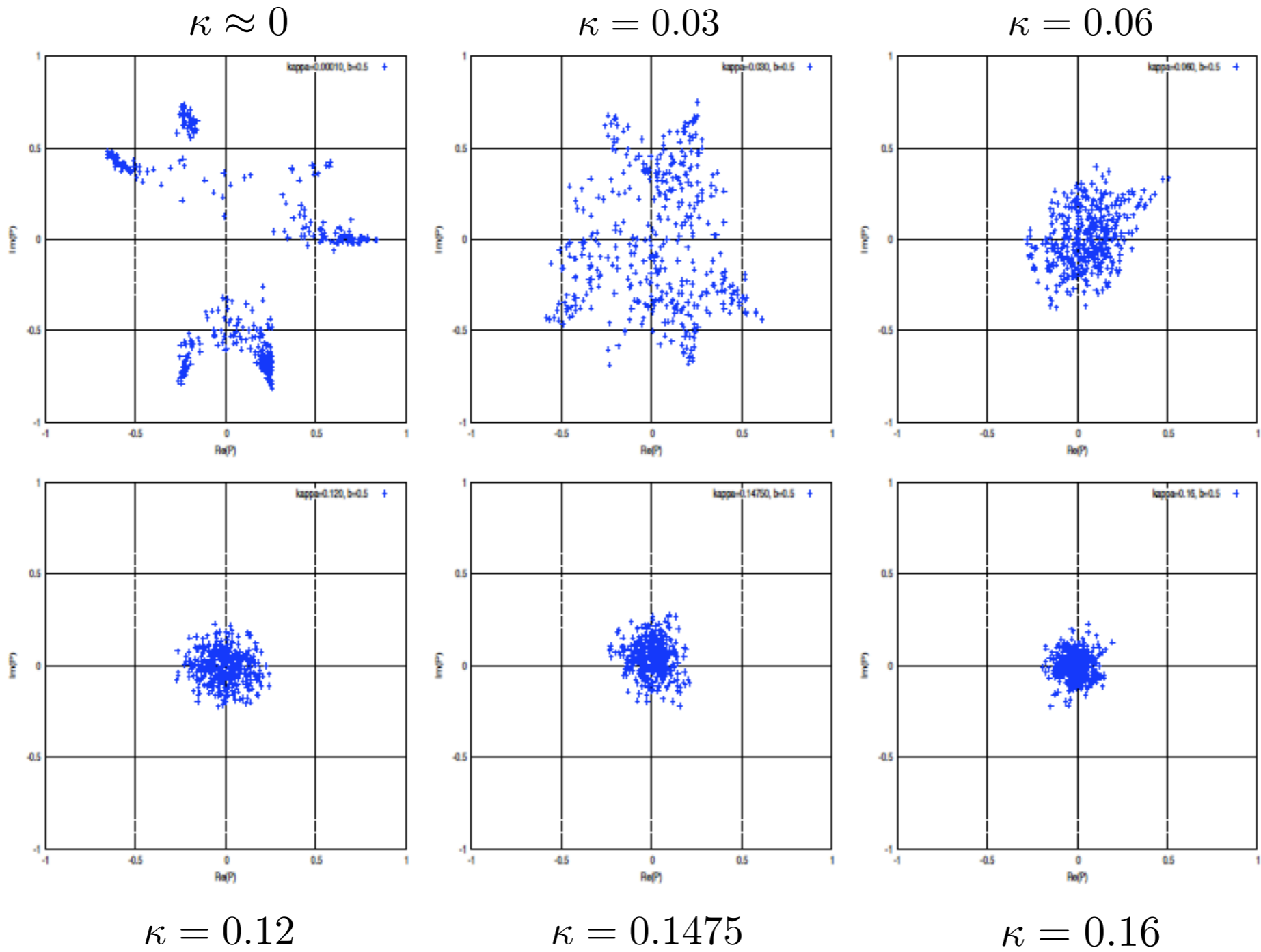
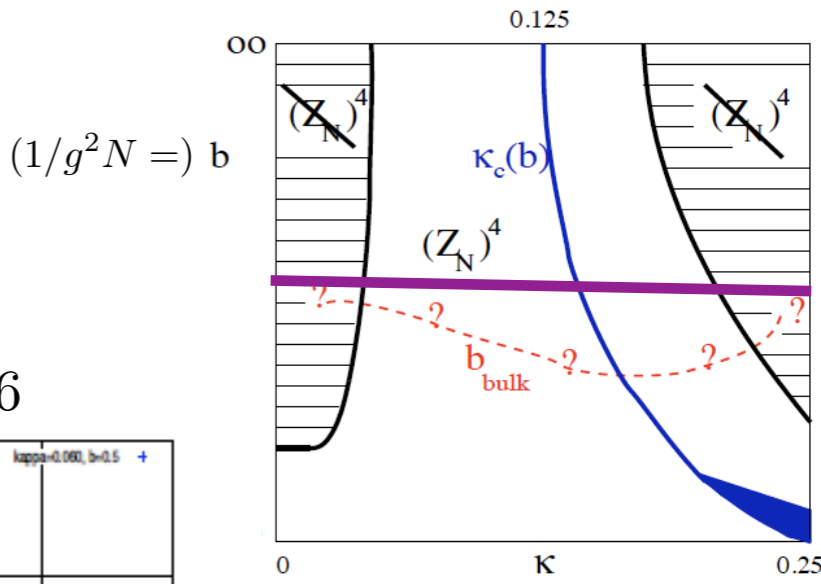


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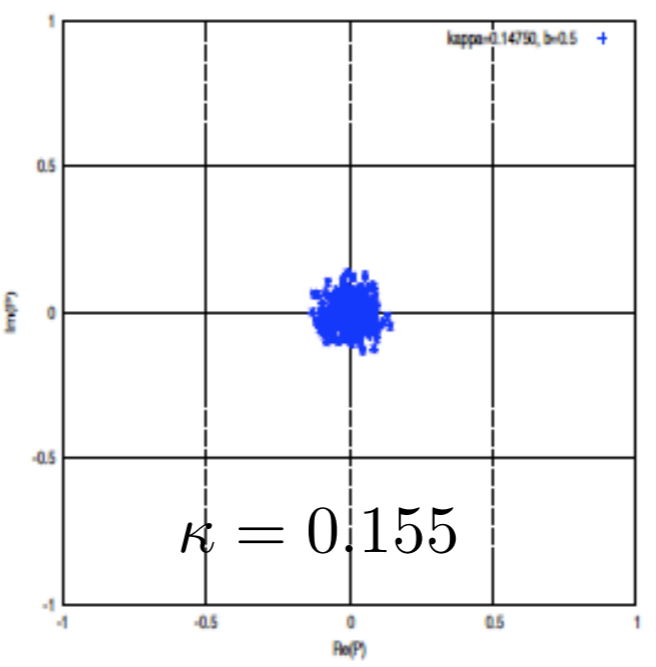
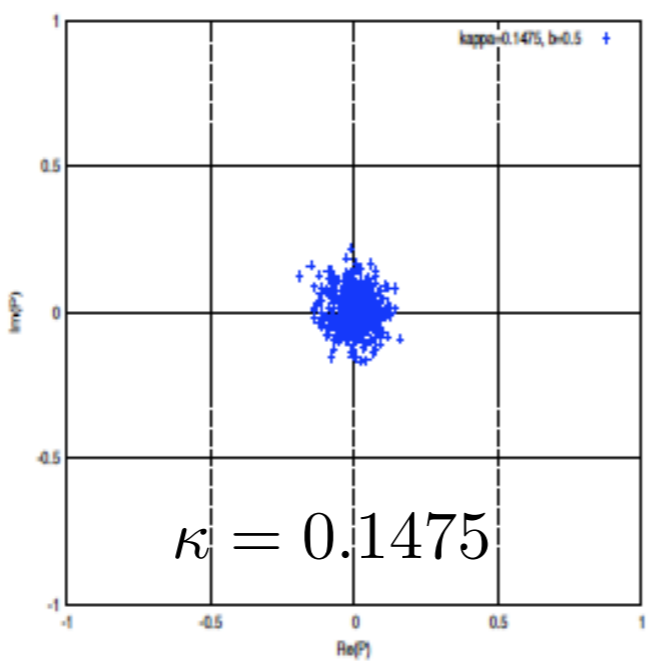
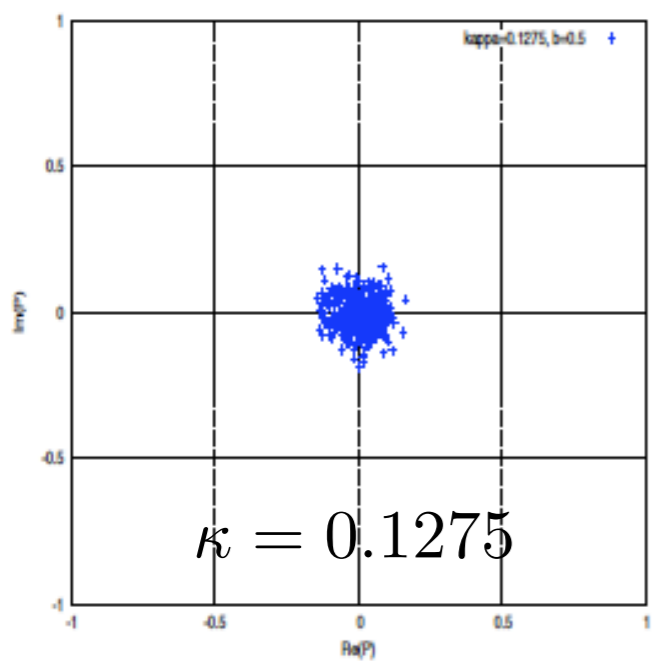
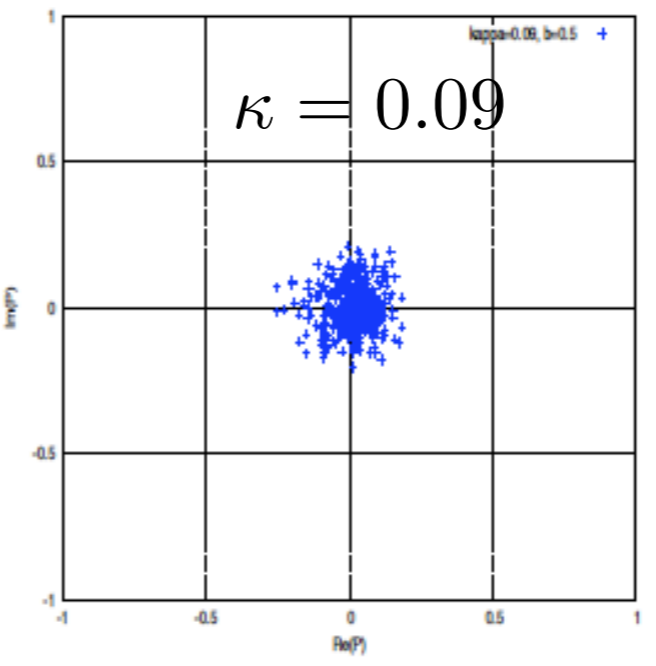
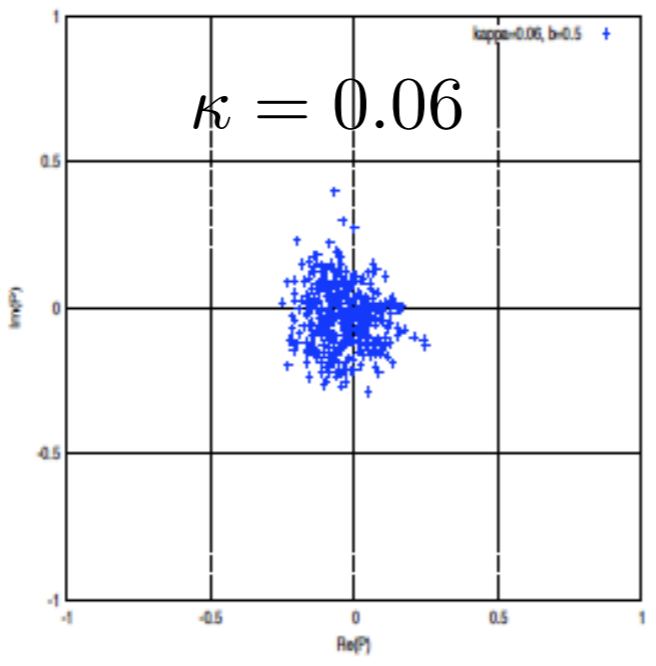
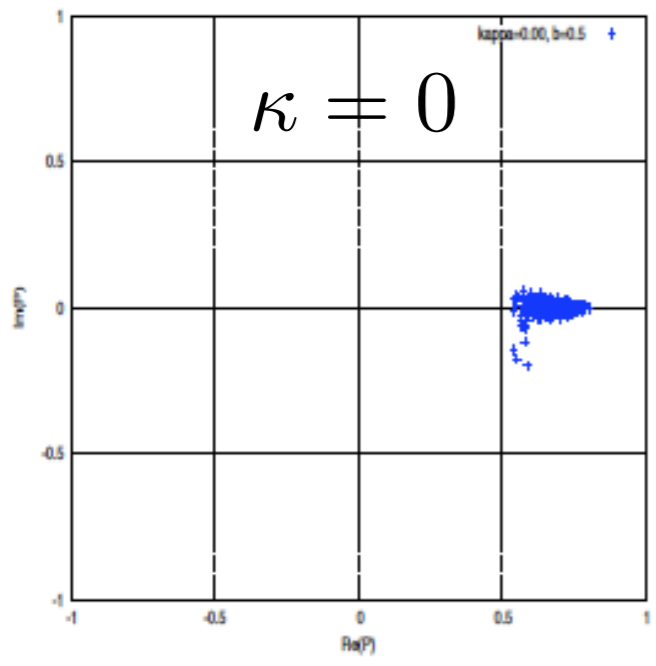
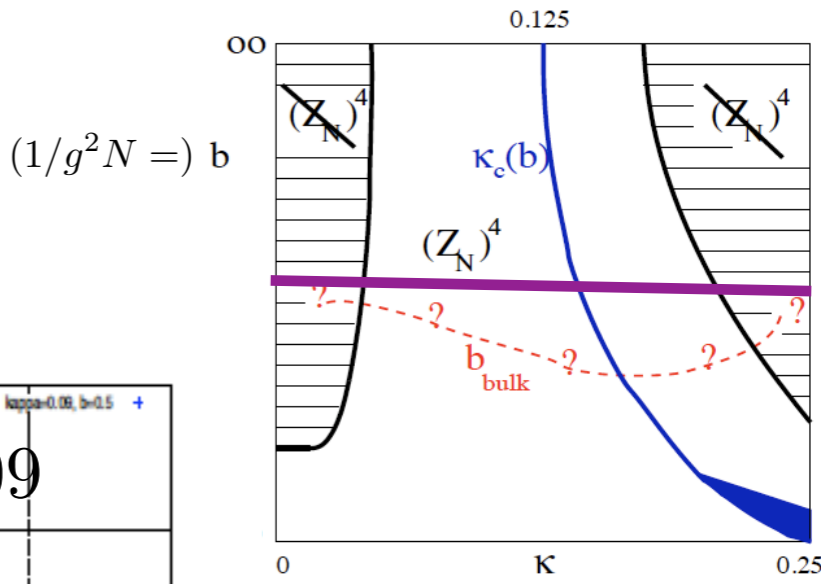
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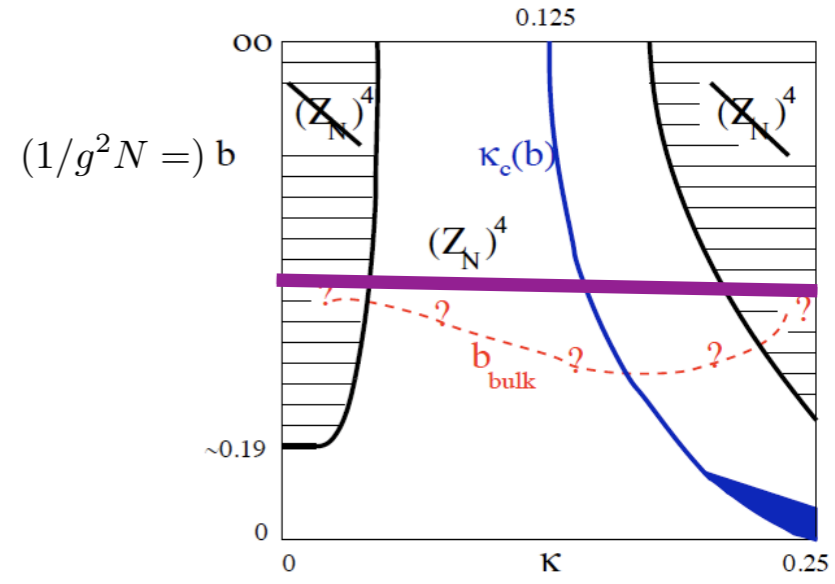
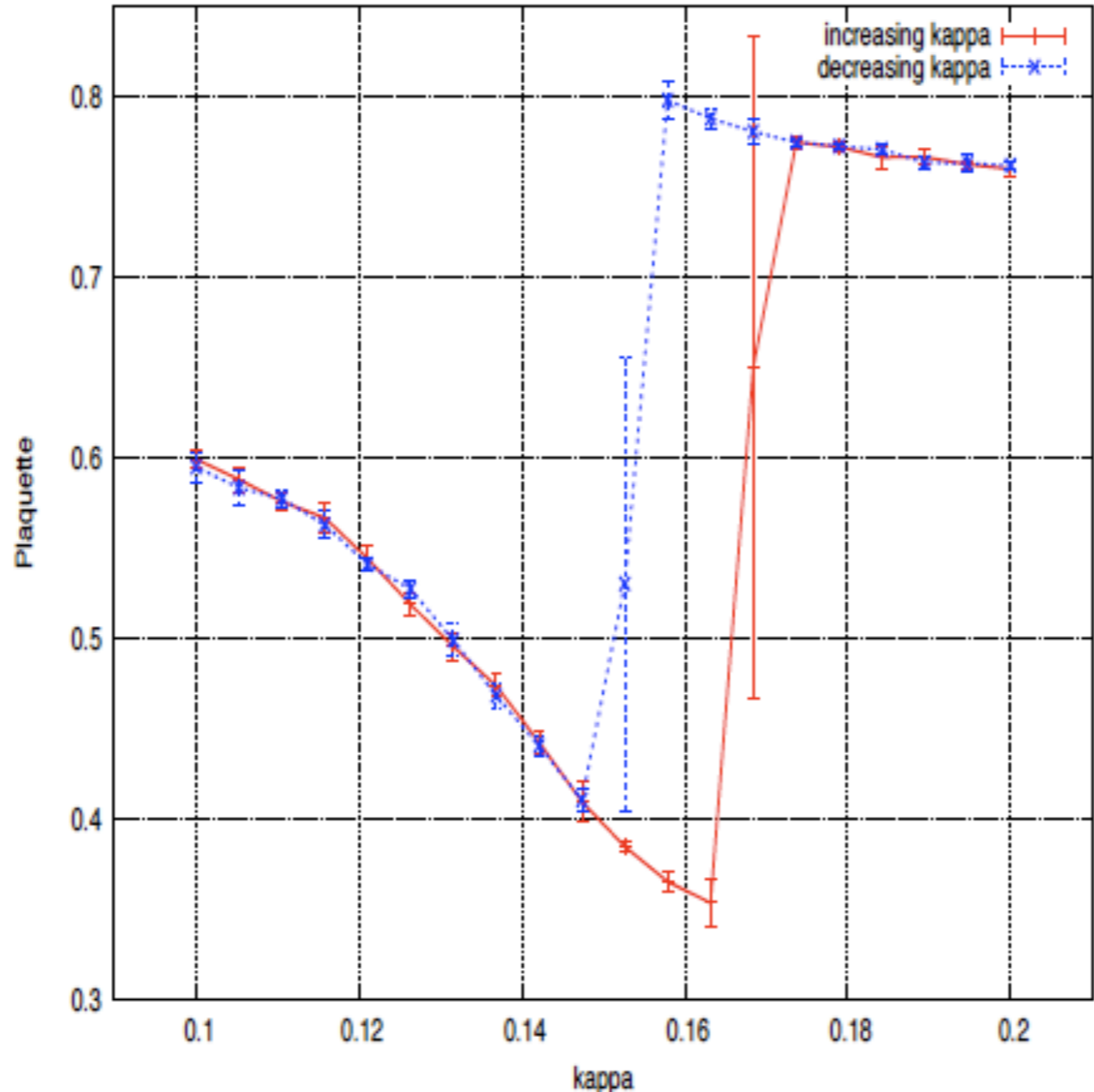
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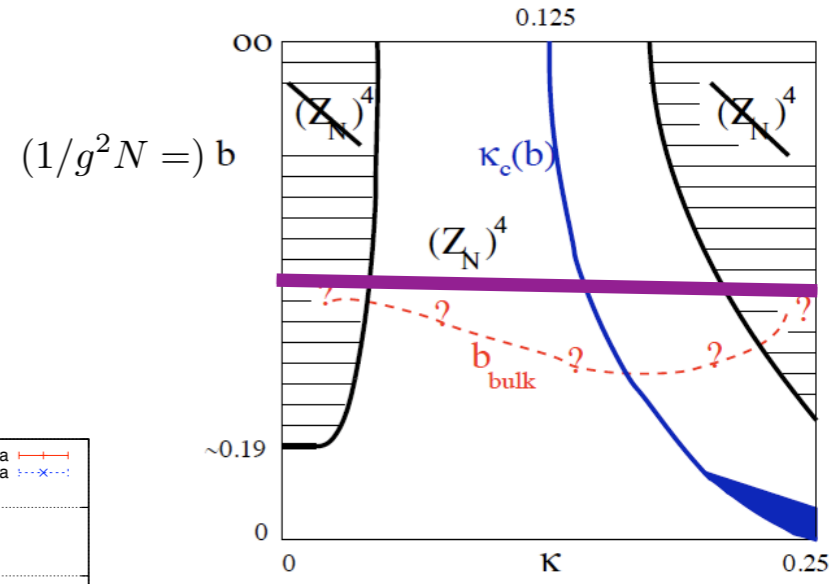
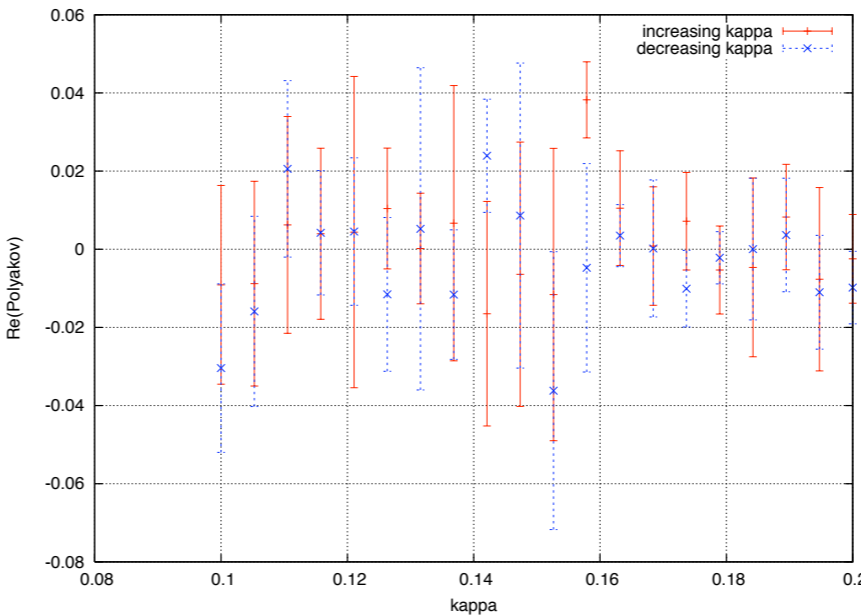
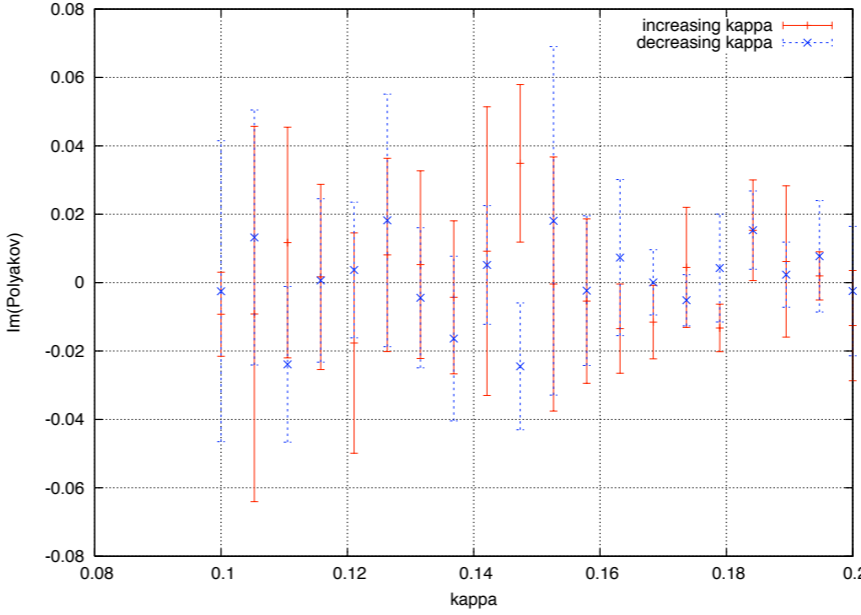
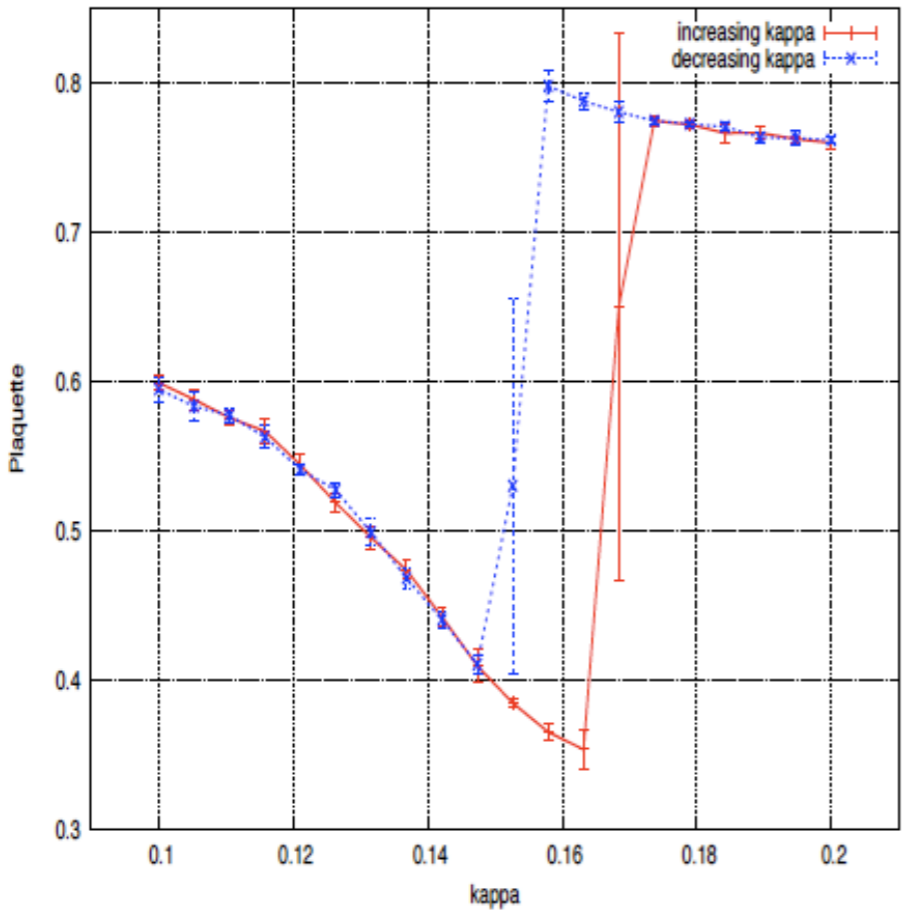
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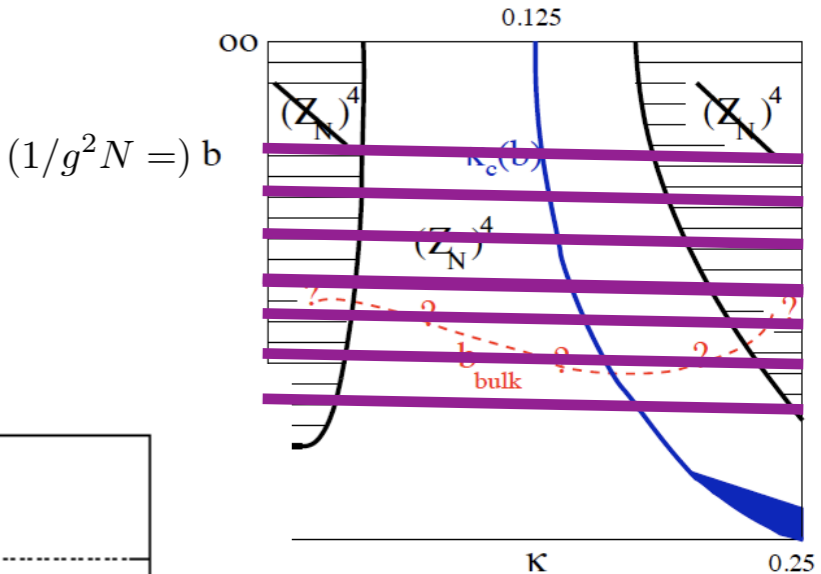
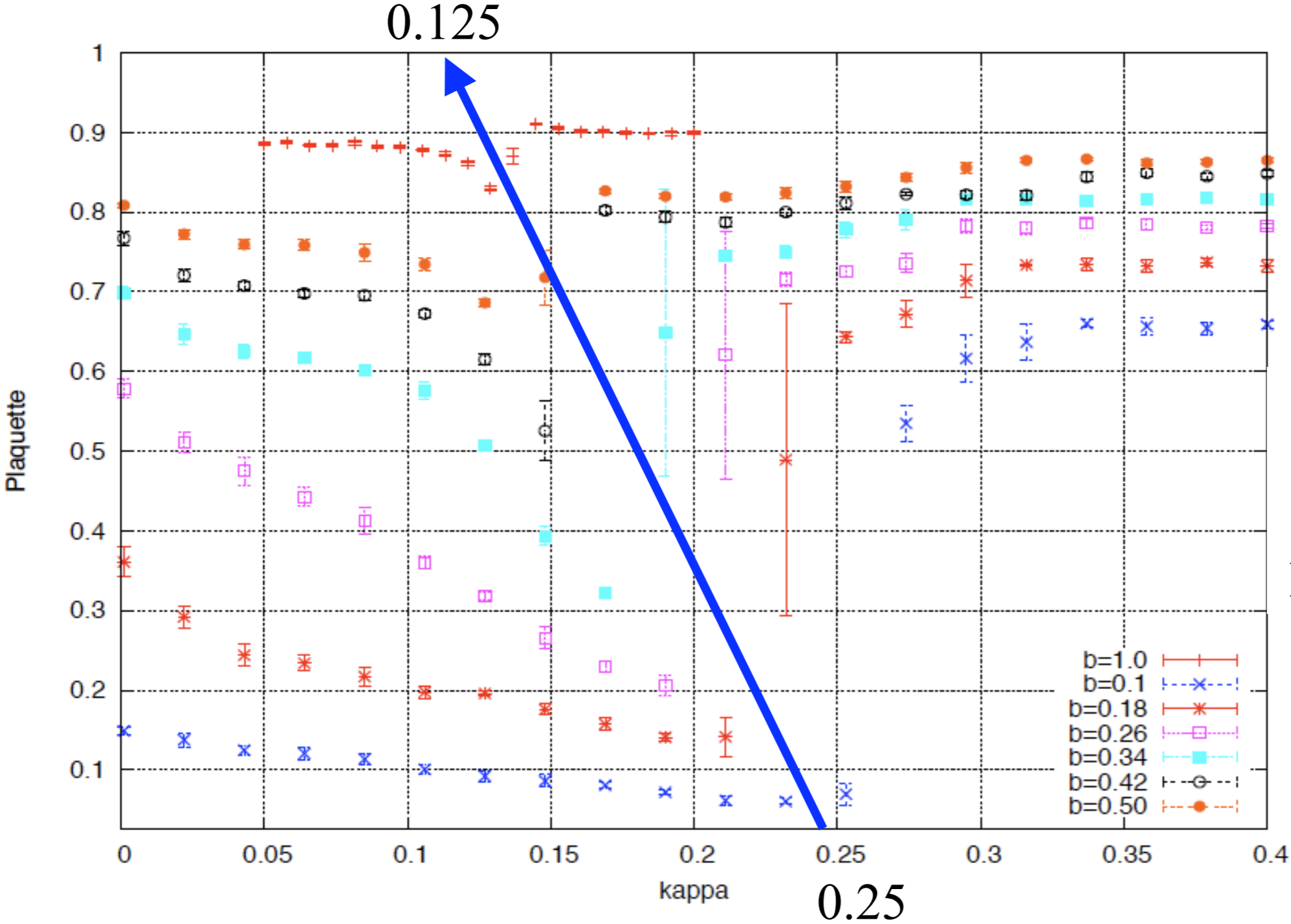
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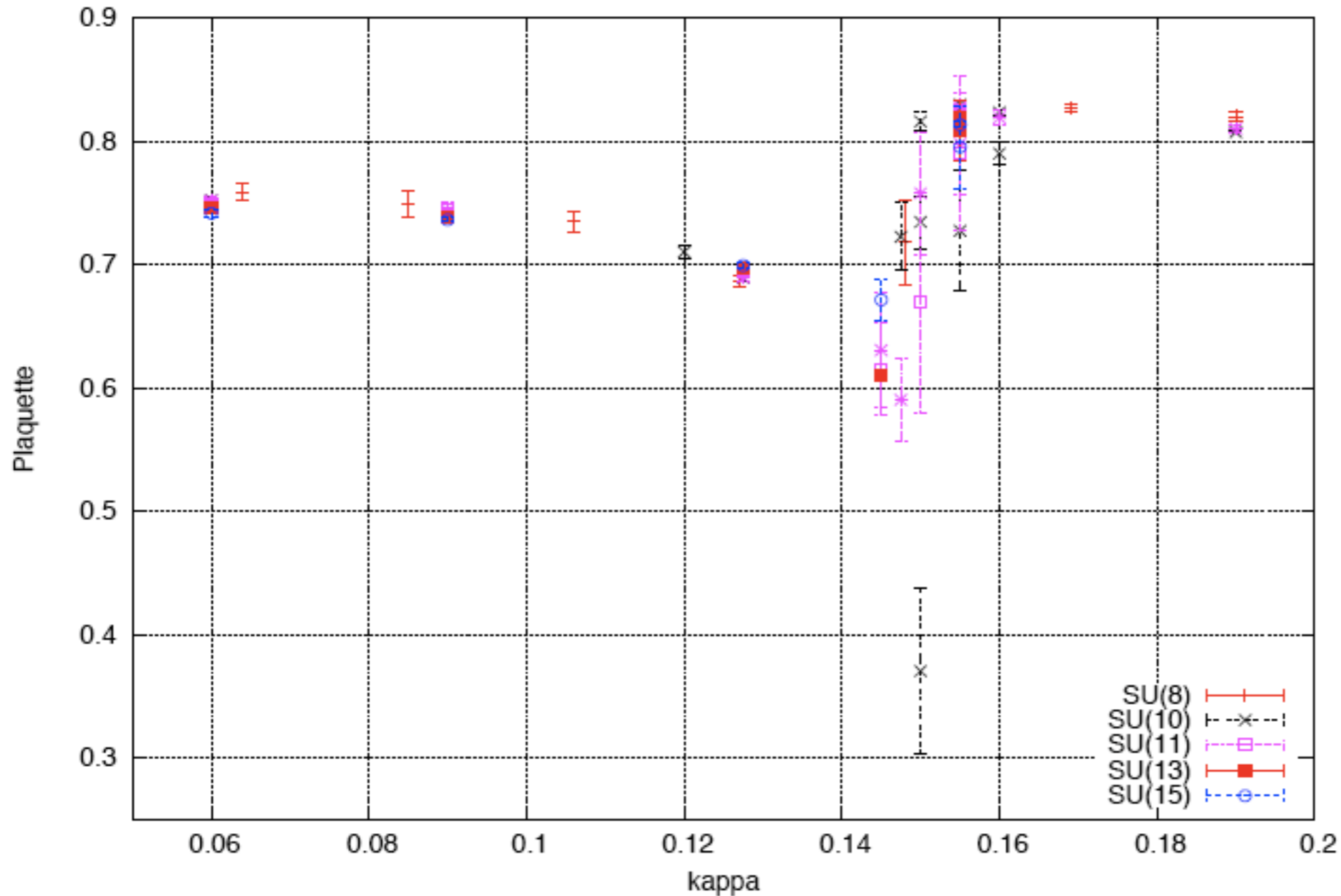
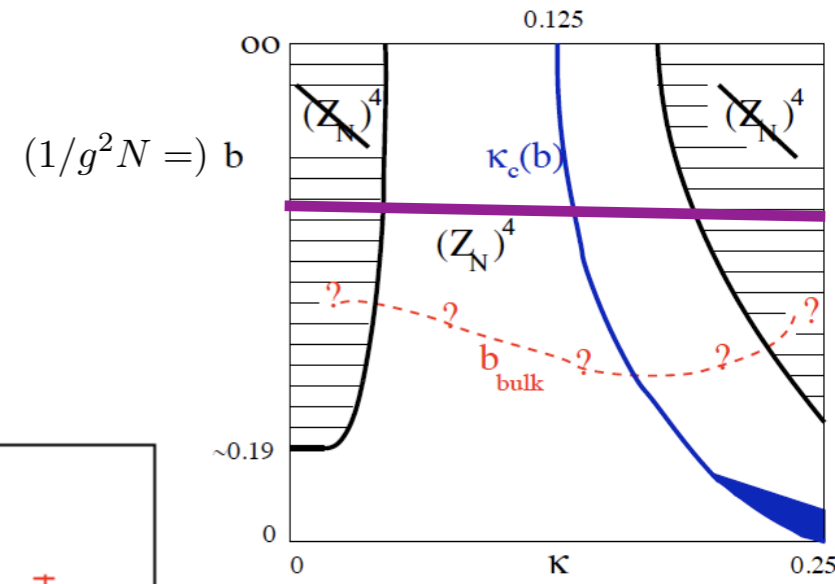
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1st transition structure at all b. Extending from kappa=0.25 to 0.125

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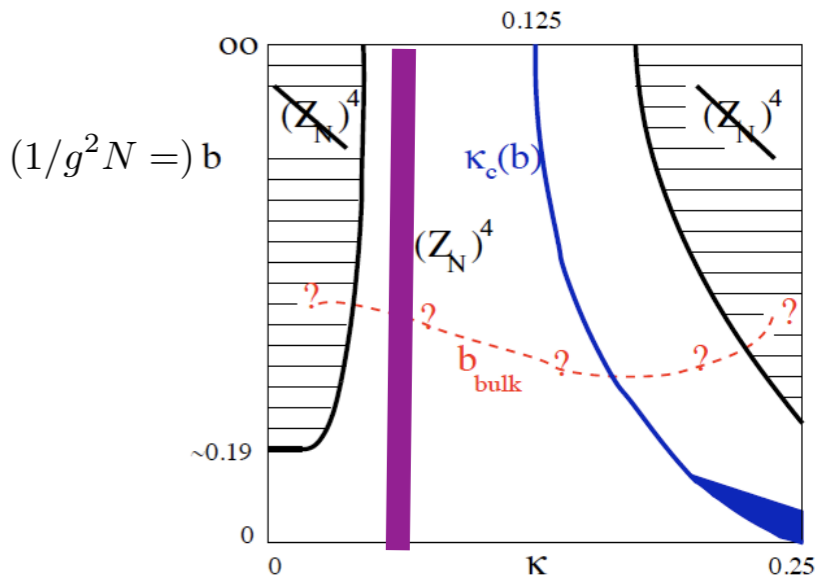
“Transition” present for all N studied
 e.g. $b=0.5$, $N=8, 10, 11, 13, 15$:



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All results consistent with phase diagram and validity of reduction.

But:



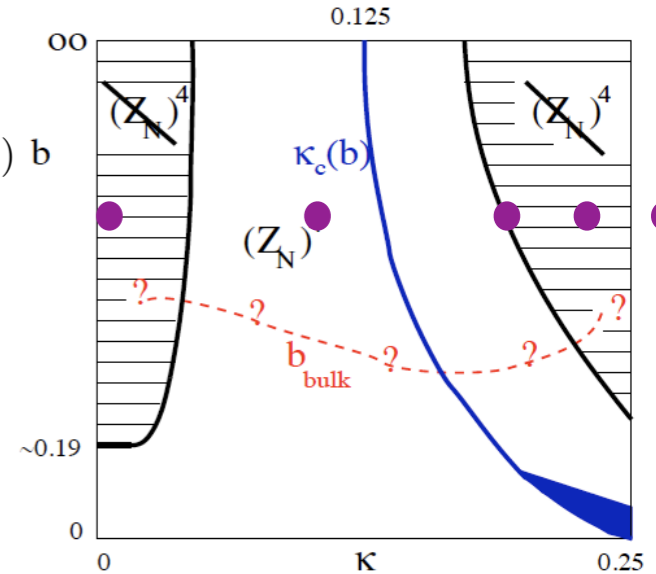
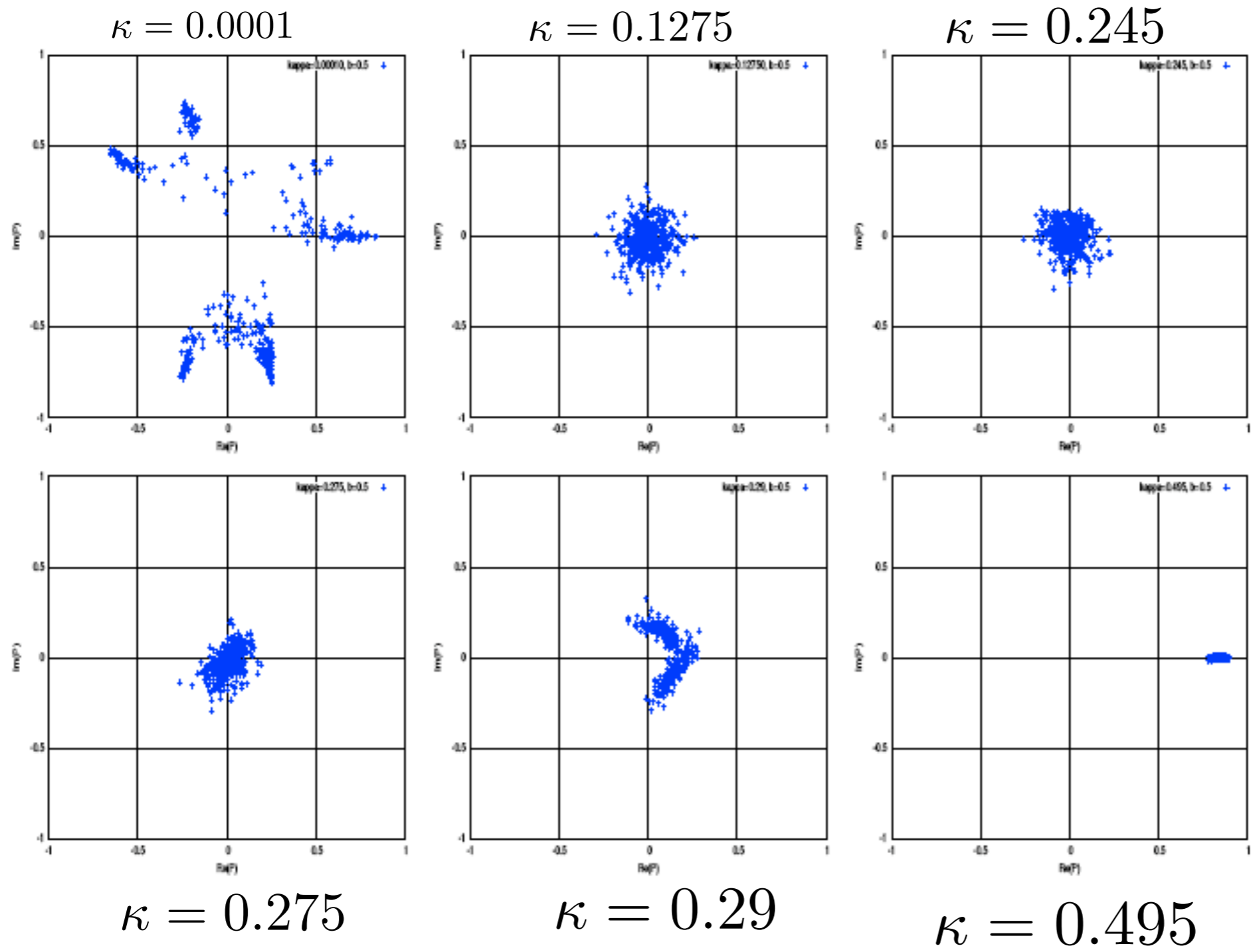
More order parameters for nontrivial breaking of Z_N .

For example, $\text{tr } U_\mu U_\nu \neq 0$ in QEK

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$b=0.5, SU(10): \text{tr } U_\mu$

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Indicate Z_N
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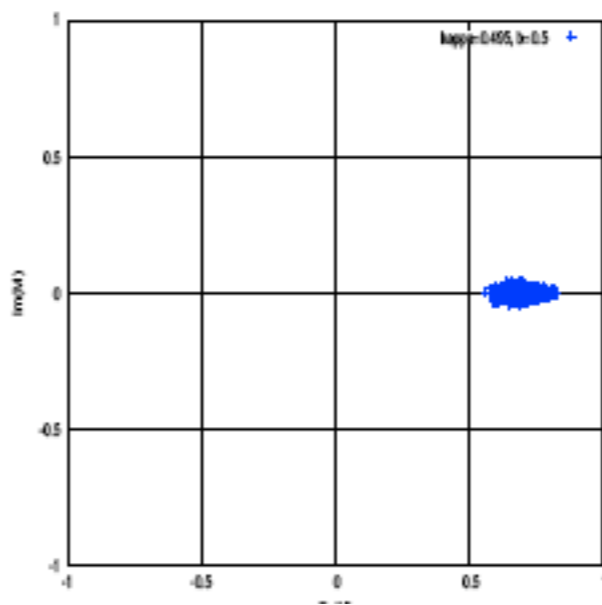
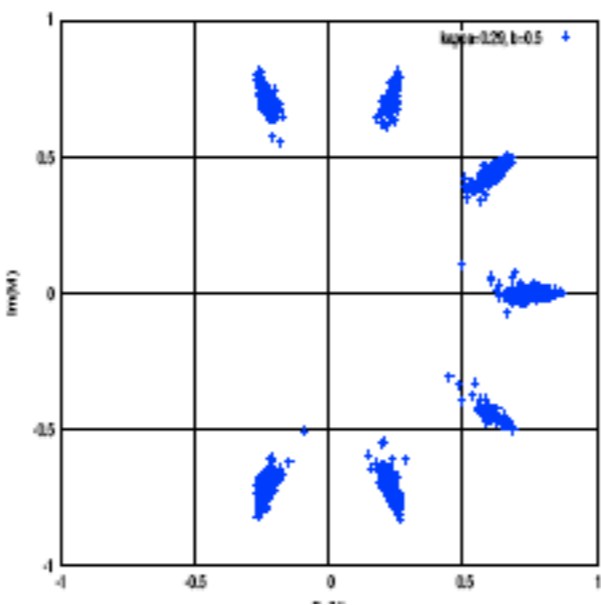
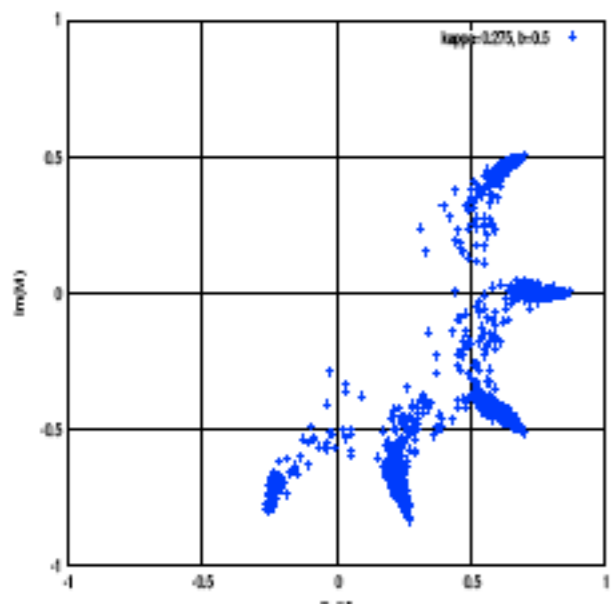
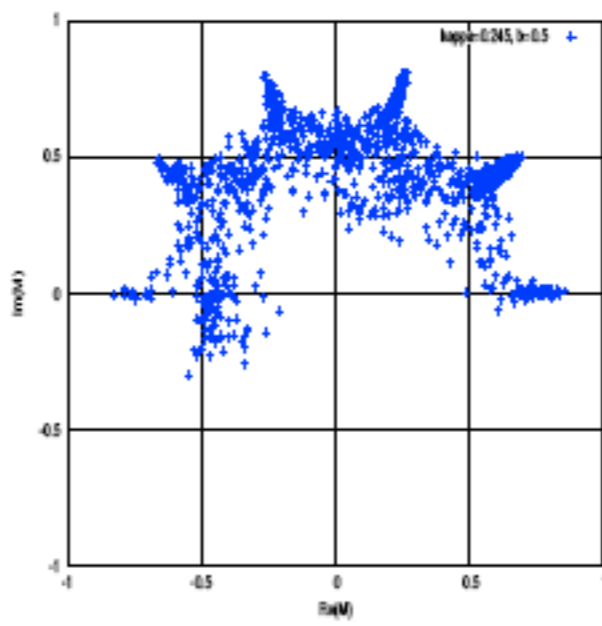
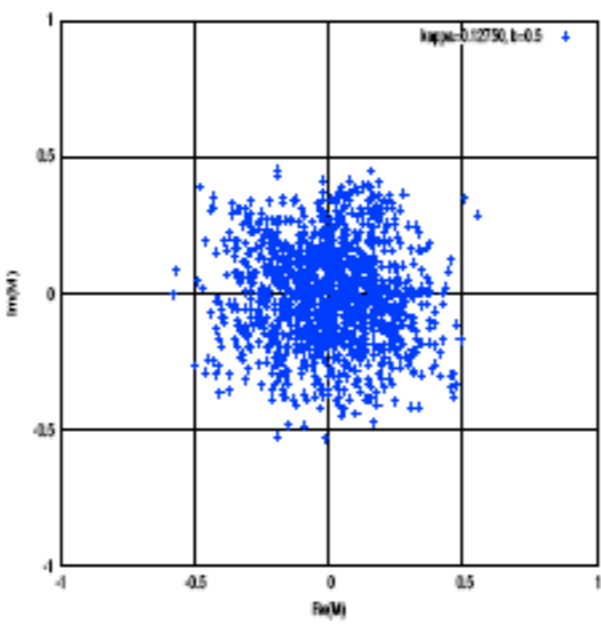
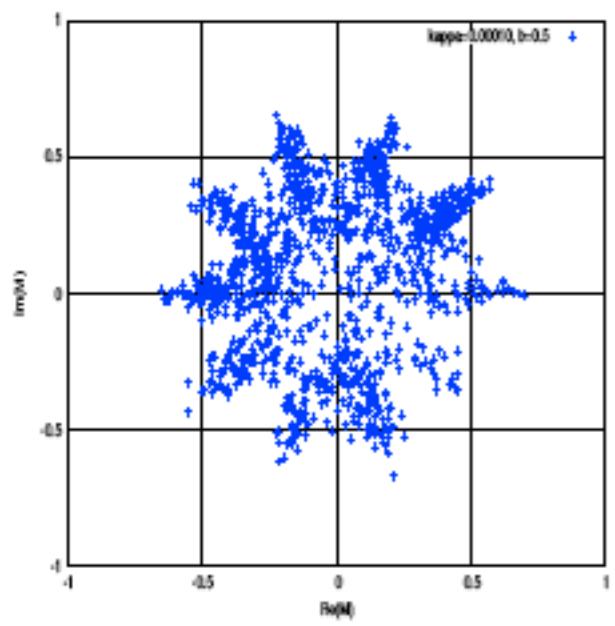
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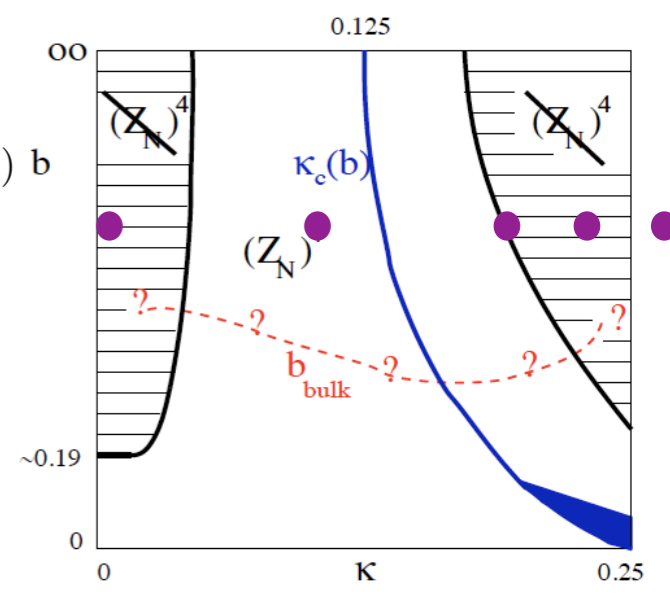
$\kappa = 0.245$



$\kappa = 0.275$

$\kappa = 0.29$


$\kappa = 0.495$



Indicate Z_N breaking for $\kappa \gtrsim 0.24$

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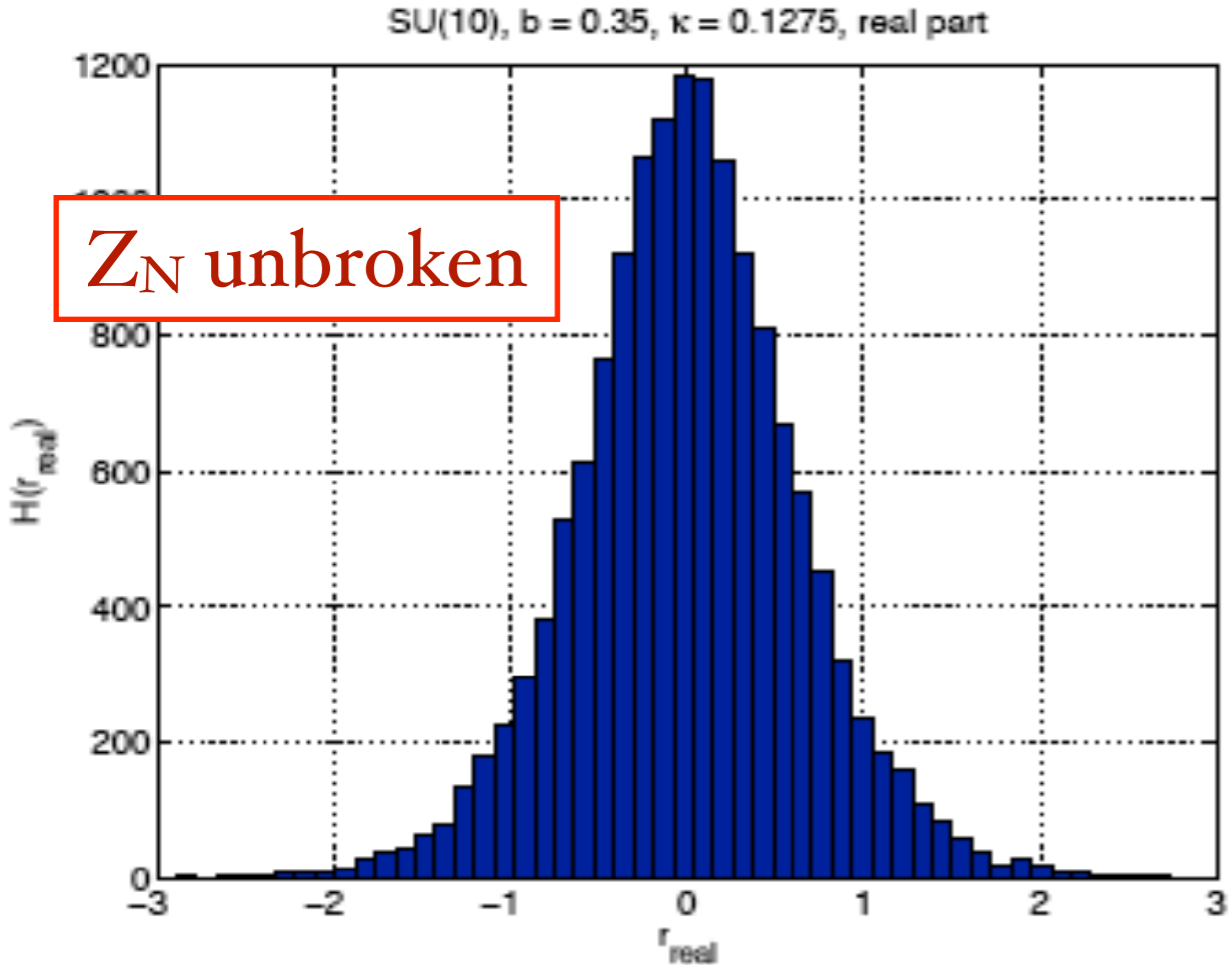
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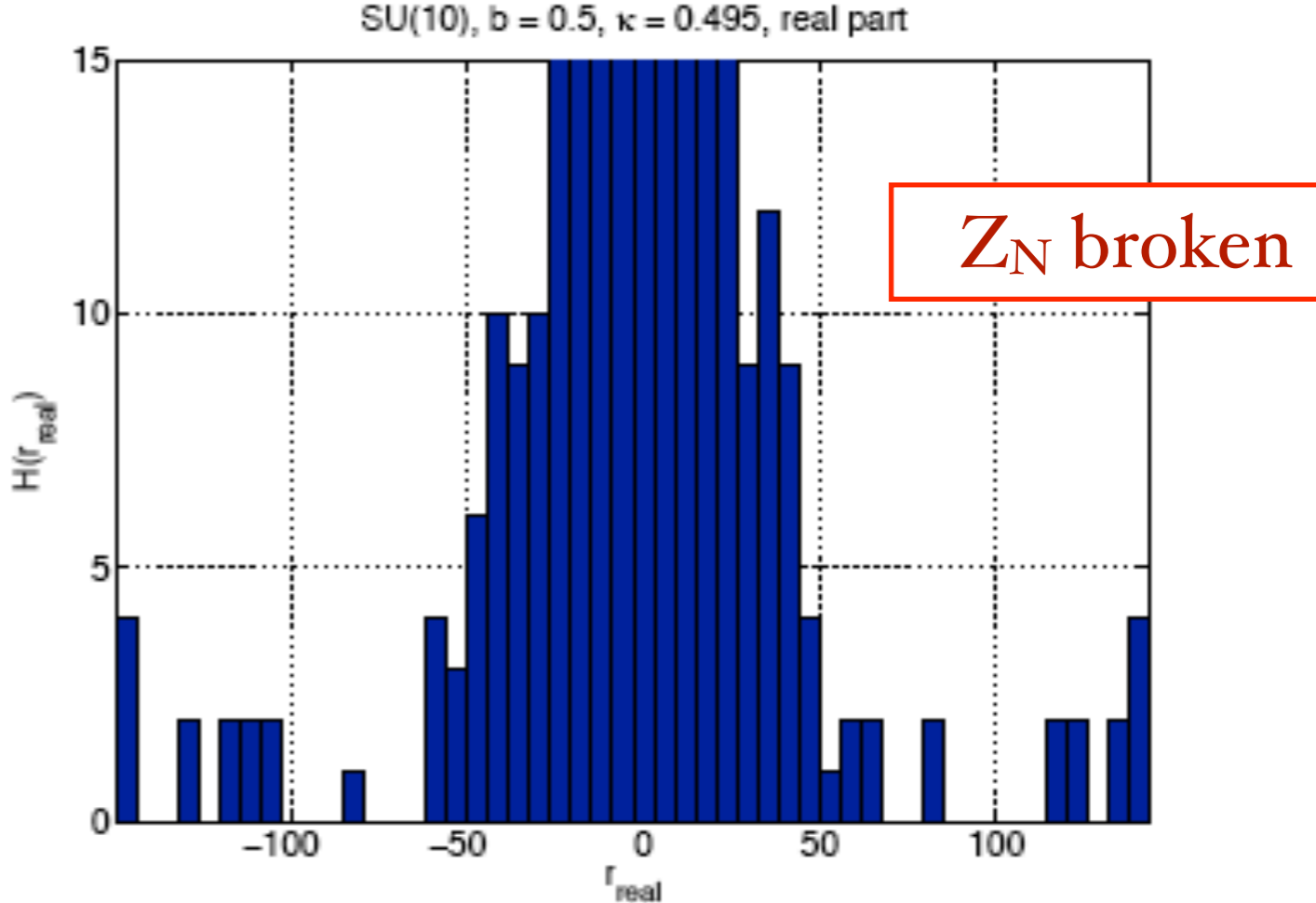
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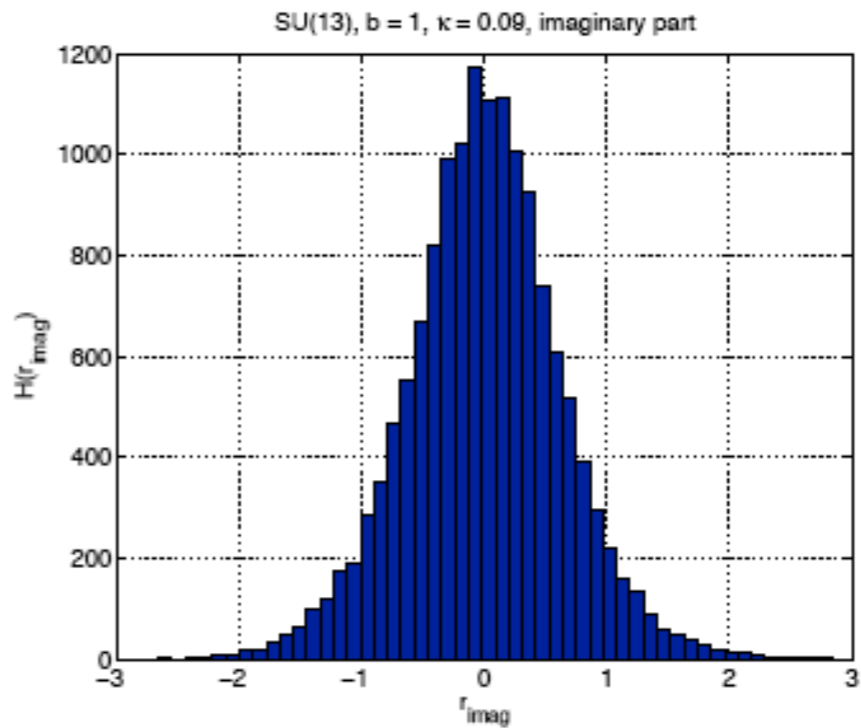
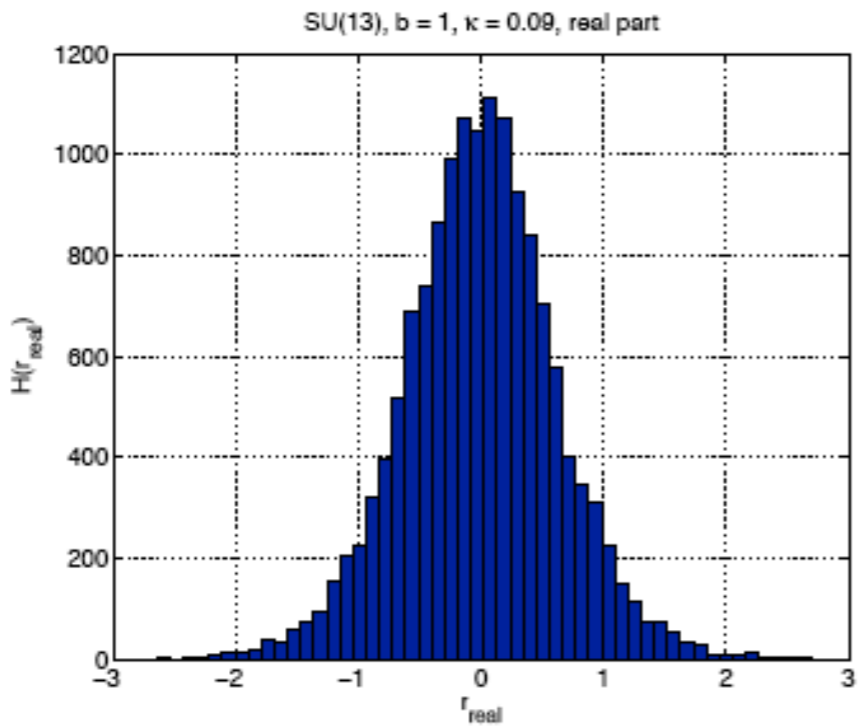
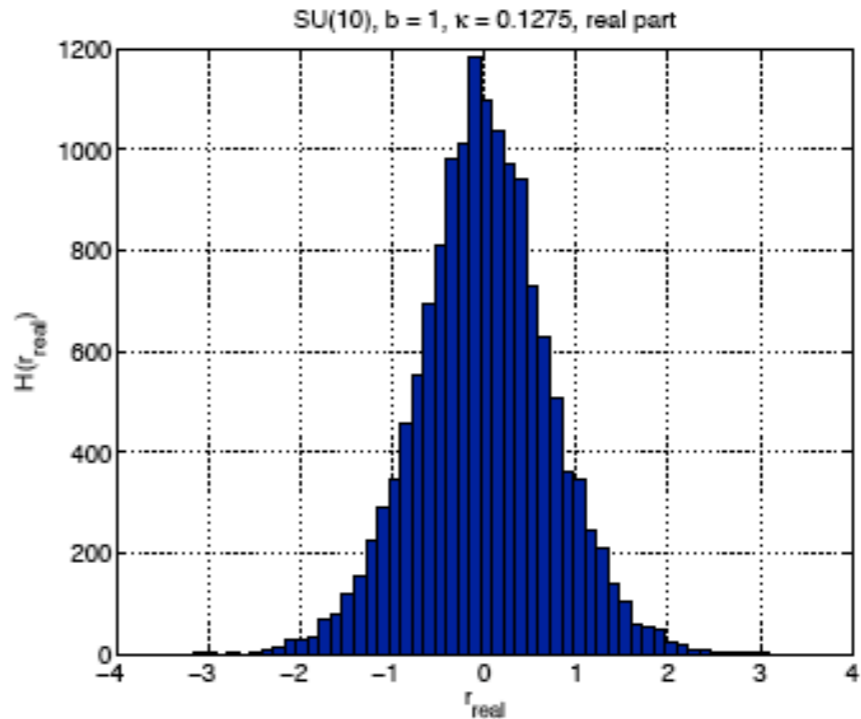
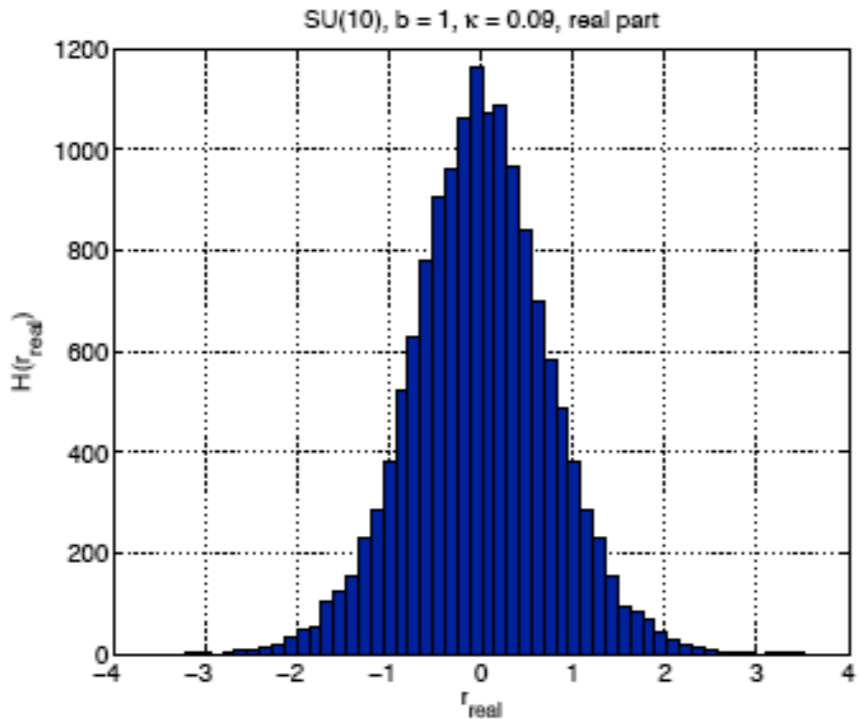
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Results for K_n at $b=1$:

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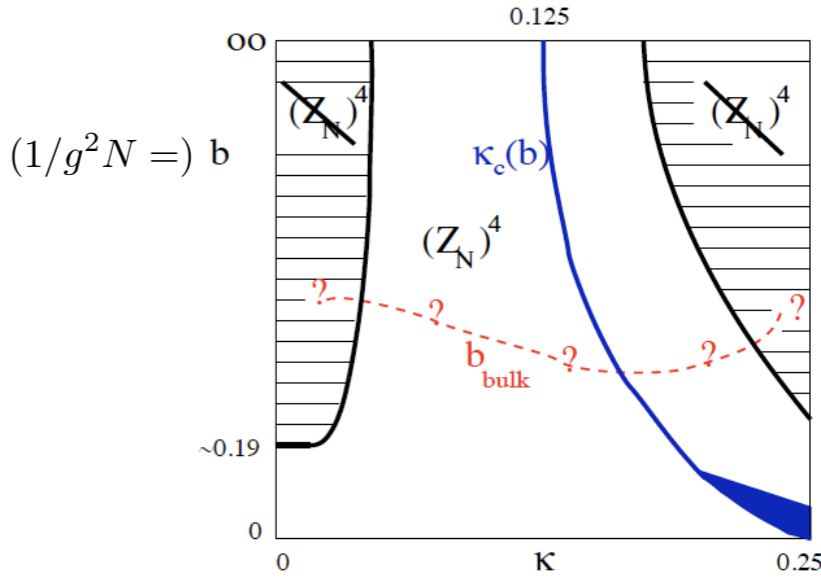
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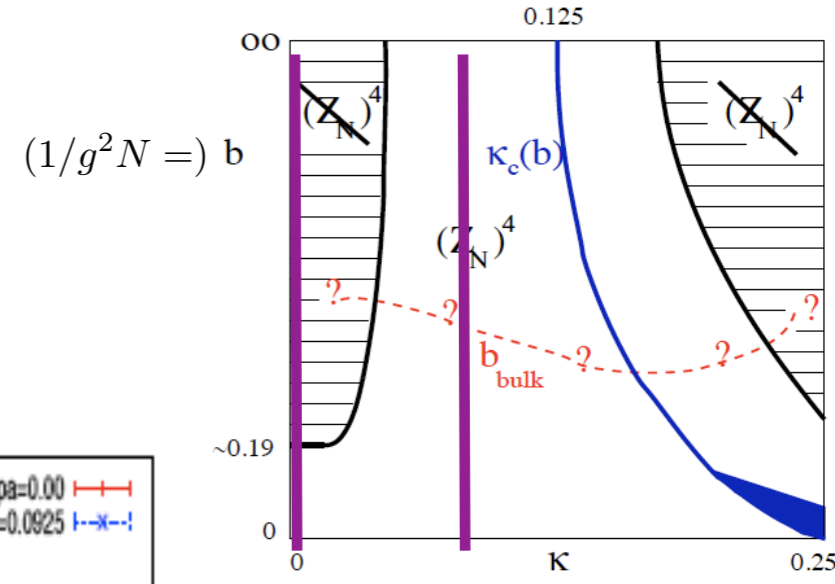
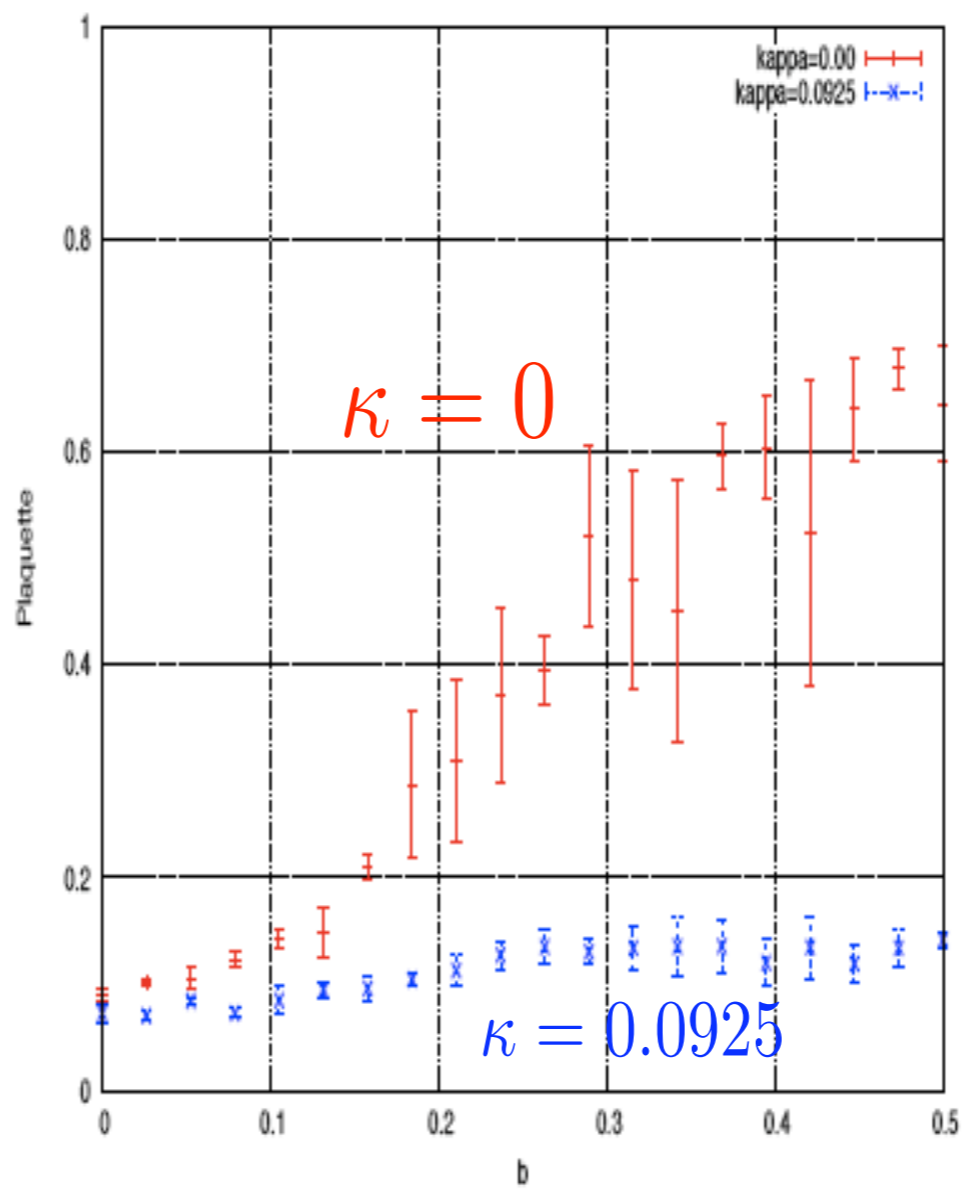
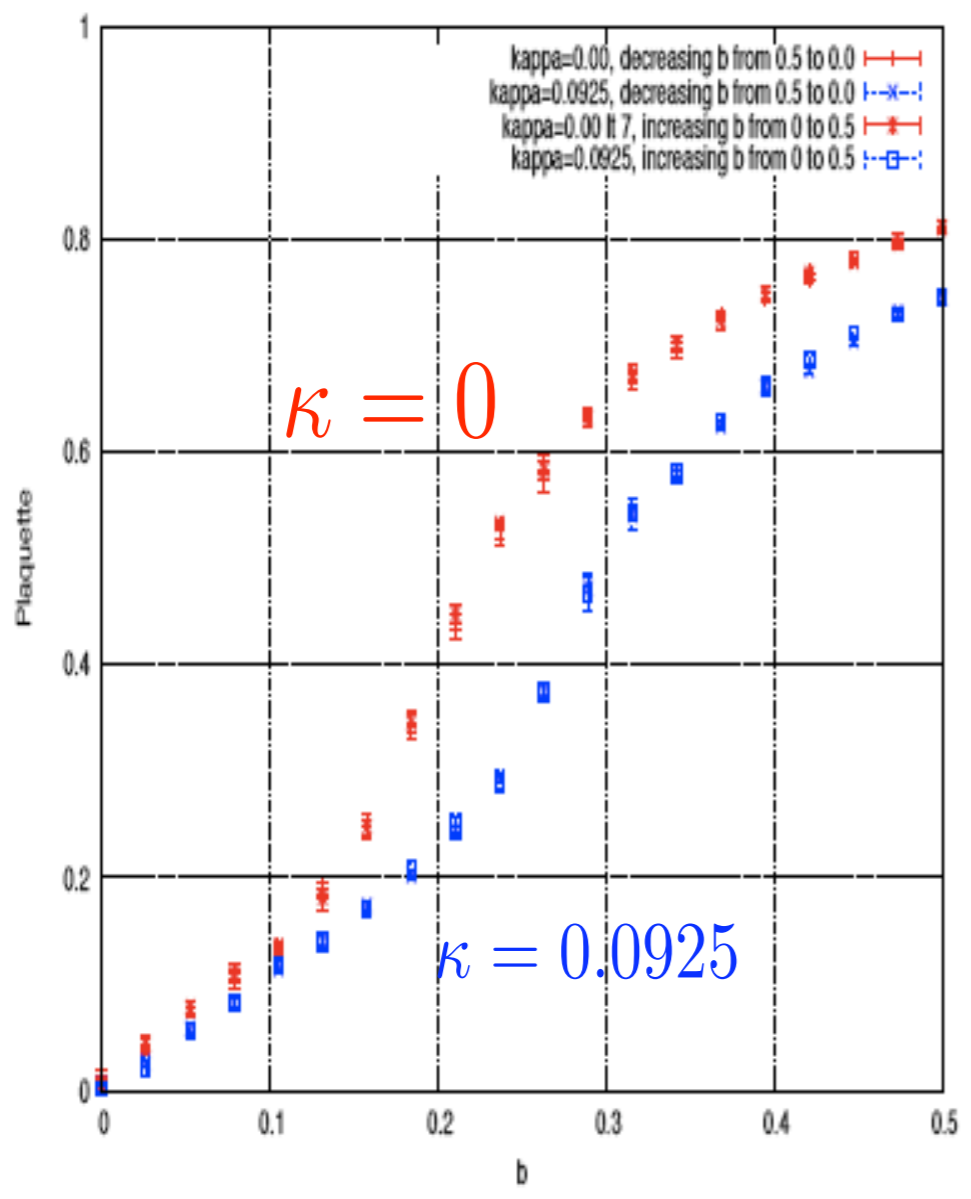


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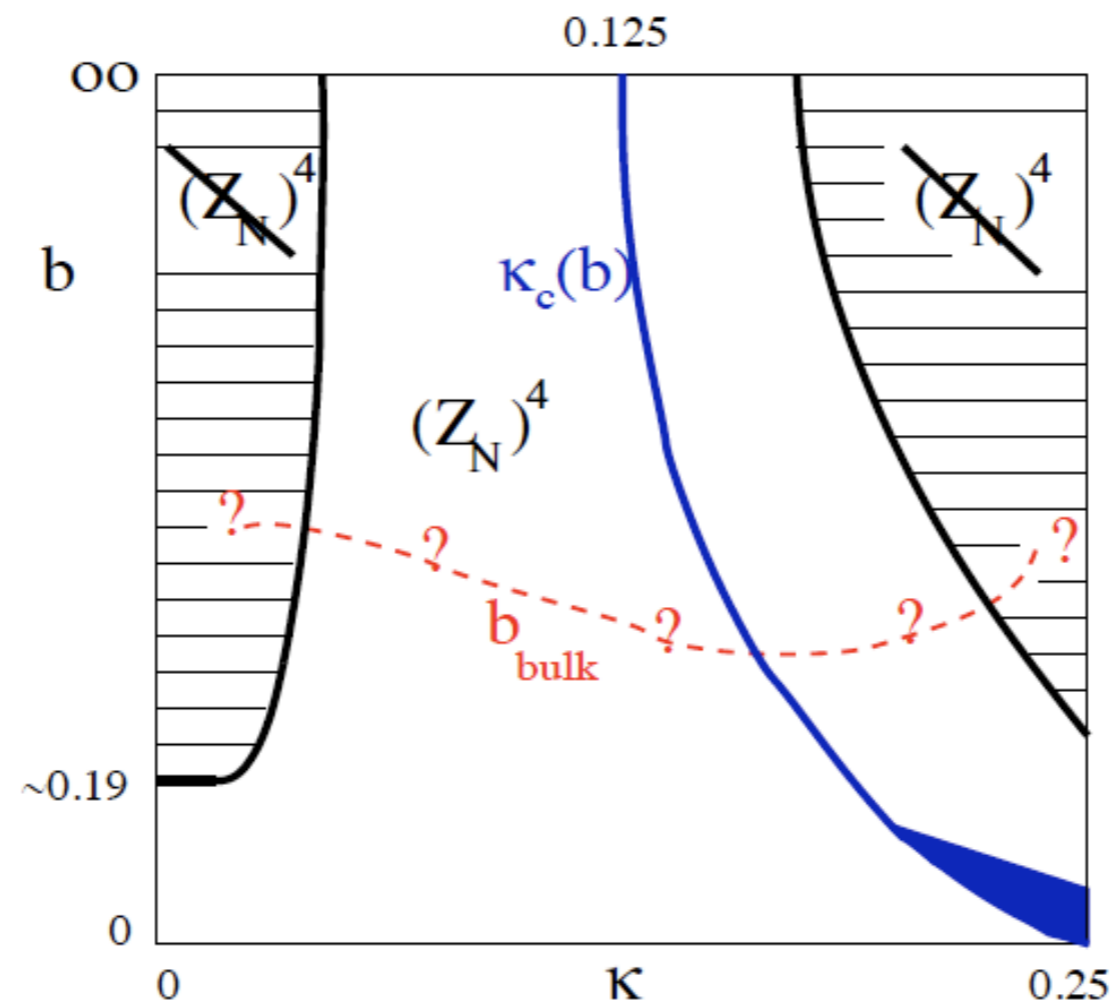
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- Signs of bulk.
- Does not involve $(Z_N)^4$ breaking

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- All our results consistent with conjecture



- Away from critical line, long distance theory is pure-gauge \Rightarrow original EK !?!
- Near critical line, obtain adjoint QCD, within $1/N$ of physical QCD.

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Results of “physical” interest:
first pass

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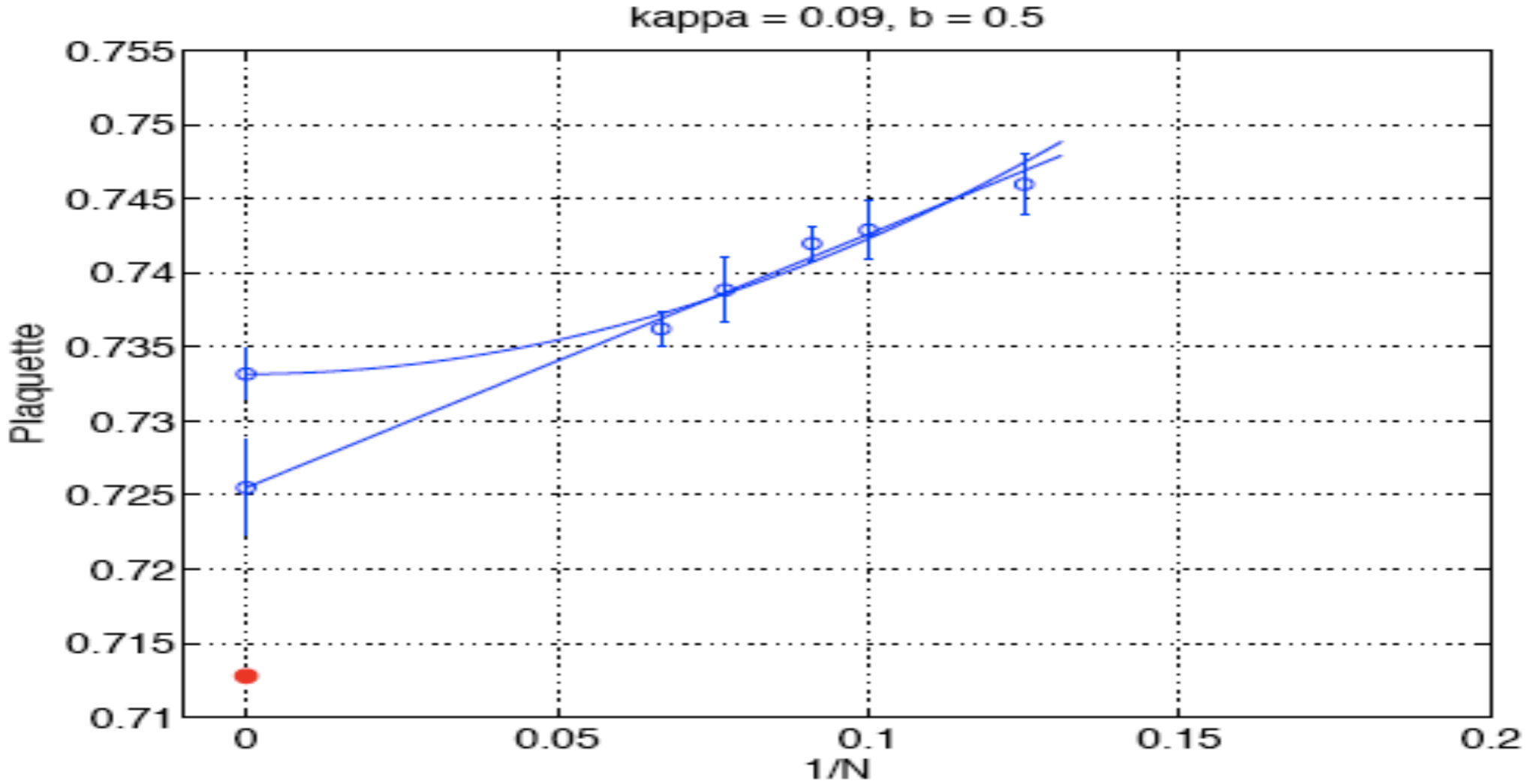
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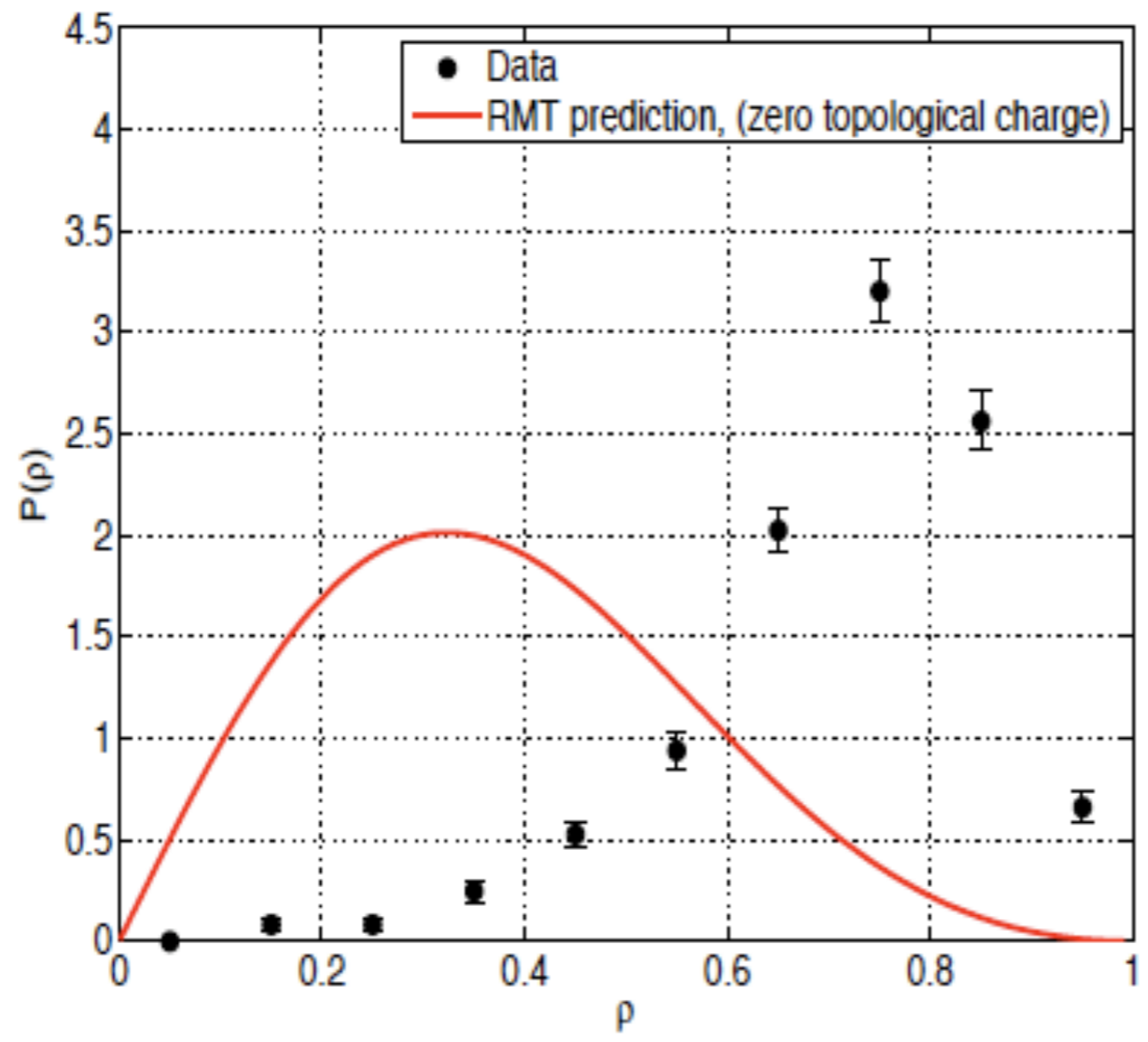
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Non-agreement seems typical to having too small N or volume
E.g. Narayanan & Neuberger '04

Try this with adjoints valence next ...

In any case :

Values of N that we used seem sufficient to map the phase-diagram.

III. Conclusions

Weak coupling with $L_{2,3,4}=\infty$, $L_1=1$

- Space-time reduction seems to work for massless Wilson adjoints fermions.

In progress: analyzing $Z_N \rightarrow Z_K$ for massive fermions.

- Perturbation theory on $L_1=1$ leads to a UV-sensitive free energy.

Do weak-coupling before MC with a different type of fermion !

Non-perturbative lattice Monte-Carlo of $N_f=1$ case.

- Space-time reduction seems to work for YM+Wilson adjoints fermions.

At couplings where we foresee doing calculations.

Both heavy and light masses.

III. Future directions

Can extract physics of QCD(Adj) and QCD(AS)

- Probably need to develop algorithms that would reduce the N^8 scaling of Metropolis!
- Mesons (using the “Gross-Kitazawa trick”)
- Realization of chiral symmetry (of both adjoint sea-quarks and valence fundamental).
- Comparisons with RMT.
- Static potential, string tensions.
- Other theories: is the two-flavor theory (nearly-)conformal?

Currently in progress...