

Skeleton Expansion In Conformal Field Theory

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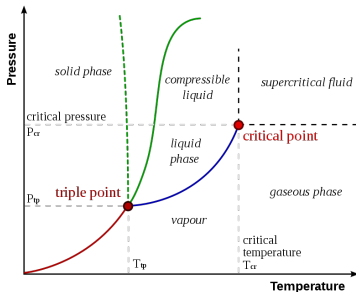
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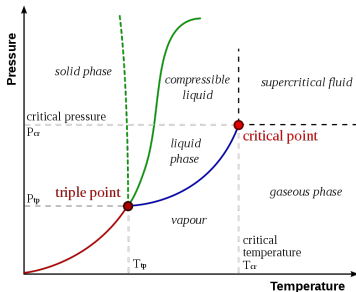
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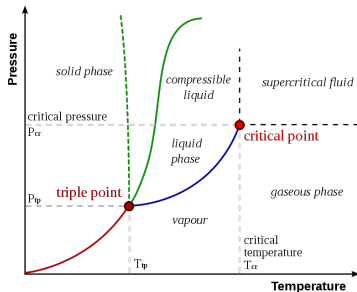
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Here we use an improved method which bypasses the last two steps and reduce the number of diagrams, to calculate CFT data (which encodes the critical exponents) of ϕ^3 theory in $6 - \epsilon$ dimension.¹

We have rederived the result using Inversion Integral.

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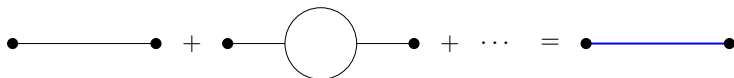
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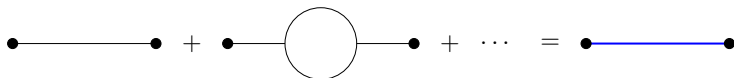
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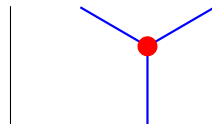
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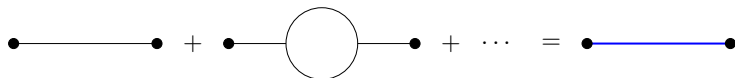
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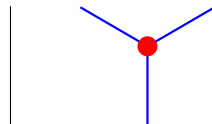
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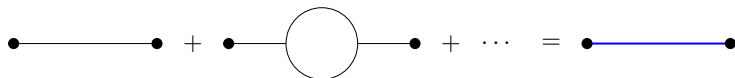
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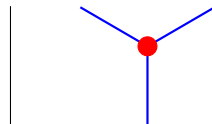
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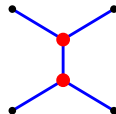
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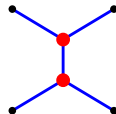


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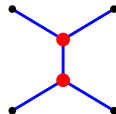
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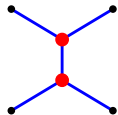
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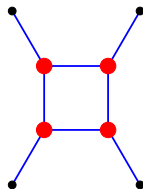
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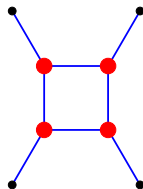
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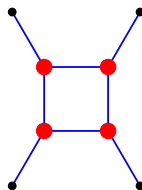
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- Rest of the integrations can be done either using Parametric Integration or by obtaining a differential equation that the resultant function has to satisfy and solving it.



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