

critical exponent t for conductivity and permeability of lattices

numerical estimates in $d = 3$: $t = 2.0$

Derrida, Stauffer, Herrmann, Vannimenus 1983

Gingold, Lobb 1990

Adler, Meir, Aharony, Harris, Klein 1990

Berkowitz, Balberg 1992

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rigorous inequality for t :

$$1 \leq t \leq 2, \quad d = 2, 3$$

Golden, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 1990

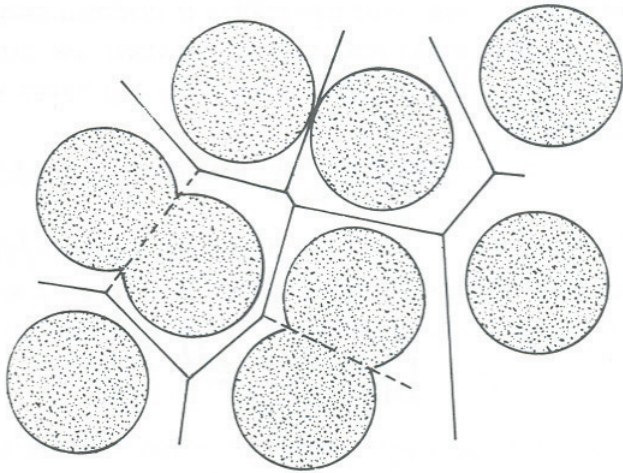
Comm. Math. Phys. 1992

Non-universal behavior in the continuum:

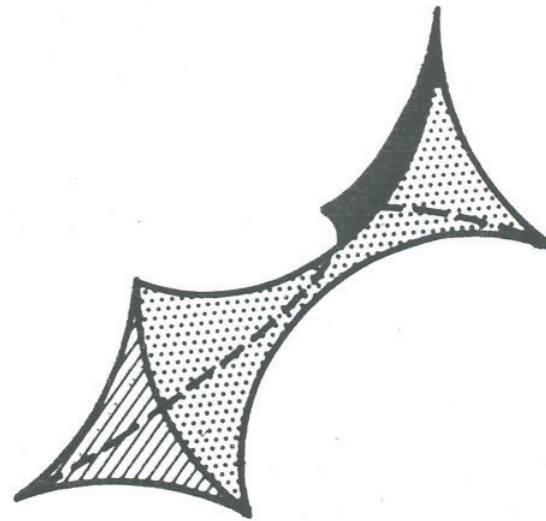
critical exponents for transport in Swiss cheese model take values different than for lattices, e.g. $t > 2$

Halperin, Feng, Sen, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 1985

$e \neq t$



Swiss cheese model
 $d = 2$



conducting neck in $d = 3$
Swiss cheese model

in general, non-universal exponents arise from a **singular distribution** of local conductances

In sea ice, this distribution is lognormal.
(excluding inclusions below cutoff)

Thus, the permeability exponent for
sea ice is **2**, the universal lattice value.

ESTIMATE fluid conductivity **scaling factor** $k_0 = r^2 / 8$

CRITICAL PATH ANALYSIS *bottlenecks control flow*

Ambegaokar, Halperin, Langer 1971: CPA in electronic hopping conduction

Friedman, Seaton 1998: CPA in fluid and electrical networks

Golden, Kozlov 1999: rigorous CPA on long-range checkerboard model

$$k_0 \approx r_c^2 / 8 \quad \text{critical fluid conductivity}$$

Microstructural analyses yield $r_c \approx 0.5 \text{ mm}$

$$k(\phi) \sim 3(\phi - \phi_c)^2 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^2$$