

CONFORMAL FIELD THEORIES IN RANDOM DOMAIN AND STOCHASTIC LOEWNER EQUATIONS

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Recommended with a commentary by Dima Khlemnitski, University of Cambridge.

This is a wonderful subject for a Journal Club talk, which might report about exciting recent progress.

"In the last three years, new insights have permitted unexpected progress in the study of fractal shapes in two dimensions. A new approach has arisen through analytic function theory and probability theory and given a new way of calculating fractal shapes in critical phenomena and other problems like diffusion limited aggregation (DLA), the theory of random walks and percolation."

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J. Cardy, cond-mat/0209638

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A Journal Club talk on this subject could serve two purposes:

- * give an insight on a new and exciting development of the theory;
- * teach to a new and powerful method. There are no doubts in its extraordinary significance and beauty.