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**Abstract:** The critical behavior of La<sub>0.6</sub>Sr<sub>0.4</sub>Mn<sub>0.9</sub>Al<sub>0.1</sub>O<sub>3</sub> compound was investigated based on the data of static magnetic measurements in the vicinity of its critical temperature T<sub>C</sub>. Through various techniques such as modified Arrott plot, Kouvel-Fisher method and critical isotherm analysis, the estimated critical exponents were found to be  $\beta = 0.45$ ,  $\gamma = 1.1$ ,  $\delta = 3.44$ at T<sub>C</sub> = 321 K which is close to Mean-Field model values. The reliability of the critical exponents' values was confirmed by the Widom scaling relation and the universal scaling hypothesis. In order to estimate the spontaneous magnetization M<sub>S</sub>(T) at a given temperature, we used a process based on the analysis, in the mean-field theory, of the magnetic entropy change ( $-\Delta S_M$ ) versus the magnetization data. An excellent agreement was found between the spontaneous magnetization determined from the entropy change ( $(-\Delta S_M)$  vs. M<sup>2</sup>) and the classical extrapolation from the Arrott curves ( $\mu_0$ H/M vs. M<sup>2</sup>). Moreover, the local exponent n was studied in terms of the field dependence of the magnetic entropy change. It was noted that n evolves with field in the entire studied temperature range of our sample, indicating the validity of the mean-field theory for our compound.

**Keywords:** Critical behavior; Perovskite manganite; Critical exponent; Second-order transition; Local exponent.

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