

Renormalization flow of relativistic fermions

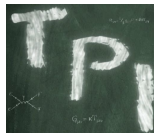
($2 < d < 4$)

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Functional Renormalization – from quantum gravity and dark energy to ultracold atoms and condensed matter
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FRG

ERG

Exact RG

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from first principles

“includes irrelevant operators”

but often only approximation solutions

NPRG

fun RG

ERG

European RG

FRG

FRG: a prediction!

(WETTERICH'93)

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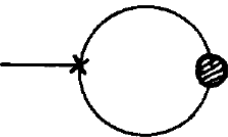
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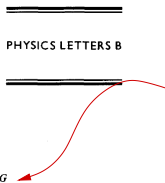
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The diagram is a circular loop with a star symbol on the left side and a shaded circle on the right side. A horizontal line with an arrow pointing to the right enters the star symbol. This diagram represents the trace of the inverse of the sum of the two-point function and the regulator, multiplied by the derivative of the regulator.

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From quantum gravity ... to ... condensed matter

▷ low dimensional relativistic fermions

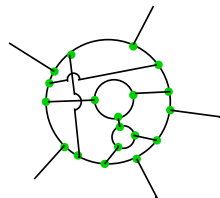
& quantum gravity

▷ (perturbative) QFT:

$$\delta(\gamma) = d - \sum_i n_{E_i}[\phi_i] + \sum_\alpha n_{V_\alpha} \delta(V_\alpha)$$

⇒ RG critical dimension:

$$D_{\text{RG, cr}} = \begin{cases} 4 & \text{(gauge + matter, Yukawa/Higgs)} \\ 2 & \text{(gravity, pure fermionic matter)} \end{cases}$$



▷ many similarities:

pert. nonrenormalizable, **BUT**: nonperturbatively renormalizable

“Asymptotic safety”

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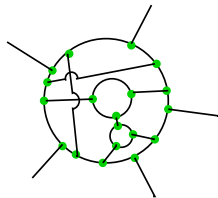
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... no experimental evidence so far ...

Chirality & Dirac Fermions

▷ d=3:

$$\{\gamma_\mu, \gamma_\nu\} = 2g_{\mu\nu}, \quad \gamma_{\mu=1,2,3} \sim \sigma_{i=1,2,3} \quad (\text{irreducible})$$

⇒ no γ_5

(“no chirality”)

▷ Dirac fermions in **irreducible** representation:

$$\chi, \bar{\chi} \quad \text{2-component}$$

Chirality & Dirac Fermions

▷ d=3:

$$\{\gamma_\mu, \gamma_\nu\} = 2g_{\mu\nu}, \quad (\text{reducible, 4-comp. spinors: } \psi, \bar{\psi})$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma_5, \quad P_{L/R} = \frac{1}{2}(1 \pm \gamma_5)$$

& γ_4

$$\& \quad \gamma_{45} = i\gamma_4\gamma_5$$

$$P_{L/R}^{45} = \frac{1}{2}(1 \pm \gamma_{45})$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{kin}} = \bar{\psi}^a i \not{\partial} \psi^a = \bar{\psi}_L^a i \not{\partial} \psi_L^a + \bar{\psi}_R^a i \not{\partial} \psi_R^a = \dots$$

▷ max. chiral symmetry group: $U(2N_f)$

chiral symmetry (reducible) \simeq flavor symmetry (irreducible)

Why 3d chiral fermions?

▷ Goal: understanding QPTs with

order parameter $\phi \leftrightarrow \psi, \bar{\psi}$ gapless fermions

...beyond the ϕ^4 paradigm

▷ relativistic fermions from electrons on

- honeycomb lattice
- π -flux square lattice

⇒ robust against weak interactions

Hubbard model on honeycomb lattice

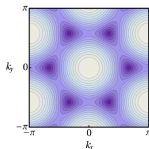
Nodal d -wave superconductors

▷ for increasing coupling (Hubbard U or NN repulsion V):

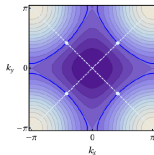
phase transition: semi-metal \rightarrow (Mott) insulator

⇒ long-range order:

AF, CDW, QAHS



(HERBUT'06)



(VOJTA ET AL.'00)

(SACHDEV'10)

Gross-Neveu model

a.k.a. “chiral Ising”

▷ classical action, e.g., in $d=3$:

$$a = 1, \dots, N_f$$

$$S = \int d^3x \left[\bar{\psi}^a i \not{\partial} \psi^a + \frac{1}{2N_f} \bar{g} (\bar{\psi}^a \psi^a)^2 \right], \quad [\bar{g}] = -1$$

▷ symmetries of **reducible** model:

- discrete “chiral” symmetry:

$$\mathbb{Z}_2^5 : \quad \psi^a \rightarrow \gamma_5 \psi^a, \quad \bar{\psi}^a \rightarrow -\bar{\psi}^a \gamma_5$$

- flavor symmetry:

$$P_{L/R}^{45} = \frac{1}{2}(1 \pm \gamma_{45}) : \quad U(N_f)_L \times U(N_f)_R$$

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▷ symmetries of **irreducible** model:

- parity symmetry:

$$\mathbb{Z}_2^P : \quad \chi^a(\mathbf{x}) \rightarrow \chi^a(-\mathbf{x}), \quad \bar{\chi}^a(\mathbf{x}) \rightarrow -\bar{\chi}^a(-\mathbf{x})$$

- flavor symmetry:

$$U(2N_f)$$

▷ **irreducible** model in **reducible** notation ($2N_f \in \mathbb{N}$):

$$(\bar{\chi}^a \chi^a)^2 \sim (\bar{\psi} \gamma_{45} \psi)^2$$

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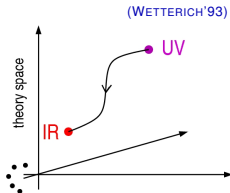
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▷ *Recette: On prend ...*

$$\partial_t \Gamma_k = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \partial_t R_k (\Gamma_k^{(2)} + R_k)^{-1}$$

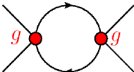


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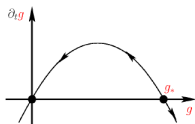
Simplest approximation: “pointlike” vertices:

$$\Gamma_k = \int d^3x \left[\bar{\psi}^a i \not{\partial} \psi^a + \frac{1}{2N_f} \bar{g}_k (\bar{\psi}^a \psi^a)^2 \right]$$

▷ RG flow of dim'less coupling $g = k^{d-2} \bar{g}_k$:

$$\partial_t g \propto (d-2)g - \left(\frac{4N_f-2}{N_f} \right) \tilde{\partial}_t g$$


The diagram shows a bubble loop with two external lines. The vertices are marked with red dots and labeled with the coupling constant g . Arrows on the loop indicate a clockwise flow.



▷ UV fixed point: g_*

▷ IR divergence in scalar channel for $g_\Lambda > g_*$

indication for χ SB

▷ critical exponent $\Theta = 1/\nu = 1$ (in $d = 3$)

⇒ asymptotically safe

proven to all orders in $1/N_f$ expansion

Partial Bosonization

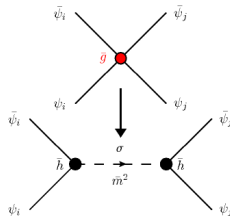
▷ mapping to Yukawa model:

(STRATONOVICH'58, HUBBARD'59)

$$S = \int d^3x \left[\bar{\psi}^a i \not{\partial} \psi^a + \frac{1}{2N_f} \bar{g} (\bar{\psi}^a \psi^a)^2 \right]$$

↓

$$S_{FB} = \int d^3x \left[\bar{\psi}^a (i \not{\partial} + i \bar{h} \sigma) \psi^a + \frac{N_f}{2} \bar{m}^2 \sigma^2 \right]$$



Pros:

- + RG flow into χ SB regime
- + access to long-range observables

Cons:

- use in FRG trunc's: assumes dominance of bosonized channel
- can be affected by "Fierz ambiguity"

Cons less relevant for GN case

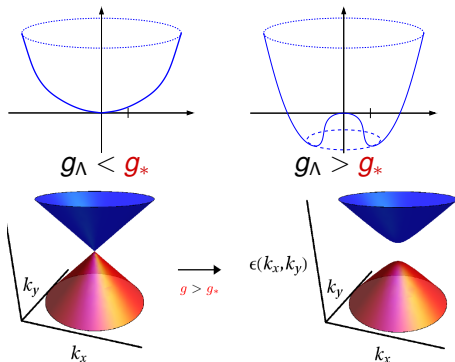
RG flow of Gross Neveu model

(ROSA,VITALE,WETTERICH'01; HOFLING,NOWAK,WETTERICH'02; BRAUN,HG,SCHERER'10)

- ▷ NLO derivative expansion:

$$\Gamma_k = \int \left[Z_\psi \bar{\psi}^a (i\not{\partial} + i\bar{h}\sigma) \psi^a + \frac{1}{2} Z_\sigma (\partial_\mu \sigma)^2 + U(\sigma) \right]$$

- ▷ quantum phase transition



Exact large- N_f fixed-point solution

- ▶ anomalous dimensions:

(BRAUN, HG, SCHERER'10)

$$\eta_\psi = 0, \quad \eta_\sigma = 1$$

- ▶ large- N_f fixed point effective potential for $2 < d < 4$:

$$u_*(\rho) = -\frac{2d-8}{3d-4} \rho^2 {}_2F_1 \left(1 - \frac{d}{2}, 1; 2 - \frac{d}{2}; \frac{(d-4)(d-2)}{6d-8} \frac{d}{d_\gamma v_d} \rho \right), \rho = \frac{\sigma^2}{2}$$

- ▶ exact critical exponents:

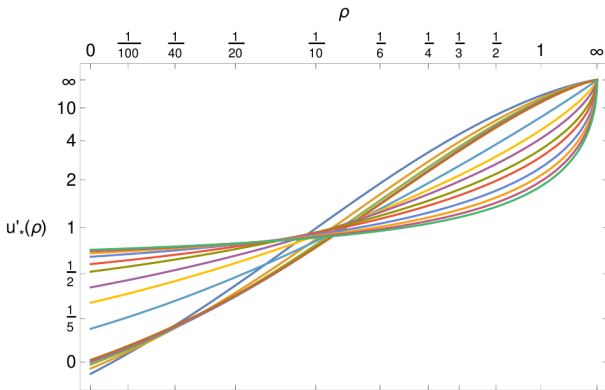
$$\Theta = \mathbf{1}, -1, -1, -3, -5, -7, \dots$$

⇒ critical surface: $\dim \mathcal{S} = \mathbf{1}$ physical parameter

Global effective potential and finite N_f

▷ FP solver with pseudo-spectral methods

(BORCHARDT,KNORR'15)

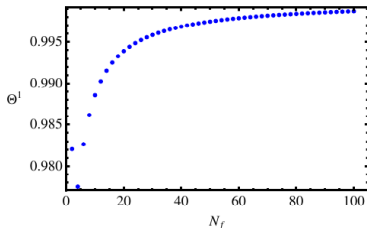


3d Gross-Neveu universality class, (arbitrary N_f)

(BRAUN,HG,SCHERER'10)

correlation exponent:

$$\nu = \frac{1}{\Theta^1}$$



N_f	Θ^1	Θ^2	Θ^3	Θ^4	Θ^5	Θ^6
2	0.9821	-0.8722	-1.0916	-3.5135	-6.0514	-8.5820
4	0.9775	-0.9240	-1.1010	-3.3910	-5.7739	-8.2429
12	0.9903	-0.9735	-1.0506	-3.1810	-5.3665	-7.6004
50	0.9975	-0.9936	-1.0143	-3.0510	-5.1062	-7.1789
100	0.9987	-0.9968	-1.0073	-3.0263	-5.0550	-7.0934
∞	1	-1	-1	-3	-5	-7

▶ leading-order derivative expansion

identical results for irreducible model (ROSA,VITALE,WETTERICH'01; HOFLING,NOWAK,WETTERICH'02)

FRG goes quantitative

▷ Derivative expansion:

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma_k = & \int \left[\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{Z}_\psi(\rho) (\bar{\psi} \not{\partial} \psi - (\partial_\mu \bar{\psi}) \gamma_\mu \psi) + h(\rho) \bar{\psi} \psi + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{Z}_\sigma(\rho) (\partial_\mu \sigma)^2 \right. \\ & - U(\sigma) + i \mathbf{J}_\psi(\rho) (\partial_\mu \rho) \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu \psi + \mathbf{X}_1(\rho) \sigma (\partial_\mu \bar{\psi}) (\partial_\mu \psi) \\ & + \frac{i}{2} \mathbf{X}_2(\rho) (\partial_\mu \sigma) [\bar{\psi} \not{\partial} \psi - (\partial_\mu \bar{\psi}) \gamma_\mu \psi] + \mathbf{X}_3(\rho) (\partial^2 \sigma) \bar{\psi} \psi \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{X}_4(\rho) (\partial_\mu \sigma) [\bar{\psi} \Sigma_{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu \psi - (\partial_\nu \bar{\psi}) \Sigma_{\mu\nu} \psi] \\ & \left. + \frac{1}{2} [\mathbf{X}_5(\rho) + 2\mathbf{X}'_3(\rho)] (\partial_\mu \sigma)^2 \sigma \bar{\psi} \psi \right]\end{aligned}$$

• FRG LO: $U(\rho)$, h , \mathbf{Z}_ψ , \mathbf{Z}_σ

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(VACCA, ZAMBELLI'15)

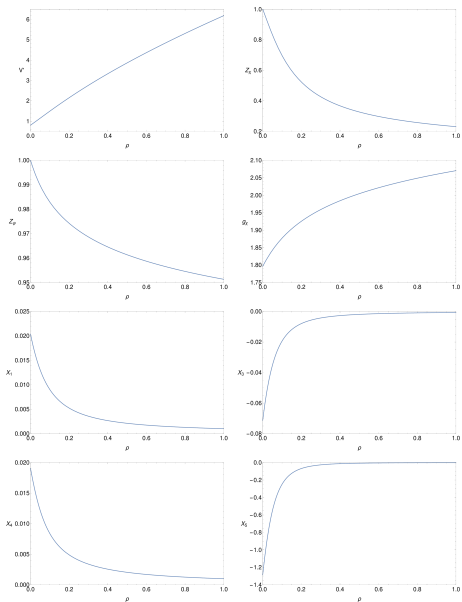
• FRG NLO

(KNORR'16)

(+regulator optimization, + pseudospectral solver + xACT)

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▷ critical exponents $N_f = 2$:

	FRG LO iGN (HNW'02)	FRG LO rGN (BGS'10)	FRG LO+ps rGN (BK'15)	FRG LO' rGN (VZ'15)	FRG NLO rGN (K'16)
ν	1.018	1.018	1.018	1.004	1.006(2)
η_σ	0.756	0.760	0.760	0.789	0.7765
η_ψ	0.032	0.032	0.032	0.031	0.0276

(HOFLING,NOWAK,WETTERICH'02; BRAUN,HG,SCHERER'10; BORCHARDT,KNORR'15; VACCA,ZAMBELLI'15; KNORR'16)

⇒ satisfactory apparent convergence

FRG performs rather well already at LO

FRG goes quantitative

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method comparison

	FRG NLO (K'16)	MC (KLLP'94)	$1/N_f$ (G'94;HJ'14)	$2 + \epsilon$ 3rd (G'90'91;LR'91)	$2 + \epsilon$ 4th +res. (GLS'16)	$4 - \epsilon$ 2nd (RYK'93)	2-sided Padé (FGKT'16)
ν	1.006(2)	1.00(4)	1.04	1.309	1.074	0.948	1.055
η_σ	0.7765	0.754(8)	0.776	0.602	0.745	0.695	0.739
η_ψ	0.0276	—	0.044	0.081	0.082	0.065	0.041

(KNORR'16) (KARKKAINEN,LACAZE,LACOCK,PETERSSON'94) (GRACEY'94; HERBUT,JANSSEN'14) (GRACEY'90'91;

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(POSTER: B. IHRIG)

⇒ acceptable overall agreement

with minor exceptions

FRG goes quantitative

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ν	0.930(4)	0.80(3)	0.74(4)	0.77(3)	0.735	0.862	1.174
η_σ	0.5506	0.302(7)	0.275(25)	0.45(2)	0.635	0.502	0.506
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⇒ overall confusion

⇒ no MC data within lattice field theory so far

new sign-problem free algorithm with SLAC fermions

(SCHMIDT,WELLEGEHAUSEN,WIPF IN PREP.)

stay tuned!

Emergent supersymmetry

▷ $d = 2 + 1$ lattice model $\sim 2 \times$ Wess-Zumino

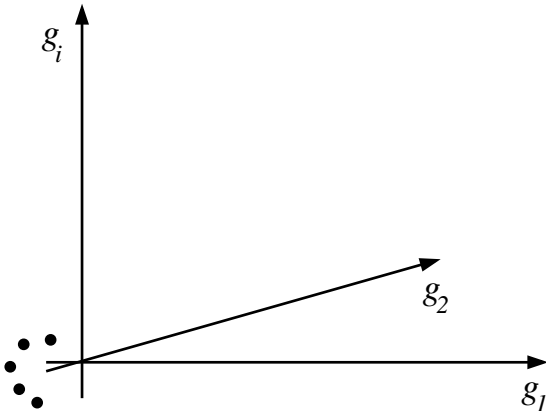
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(SHIMADA, HIKAMI'15; ILIESIU ET AL.'16)

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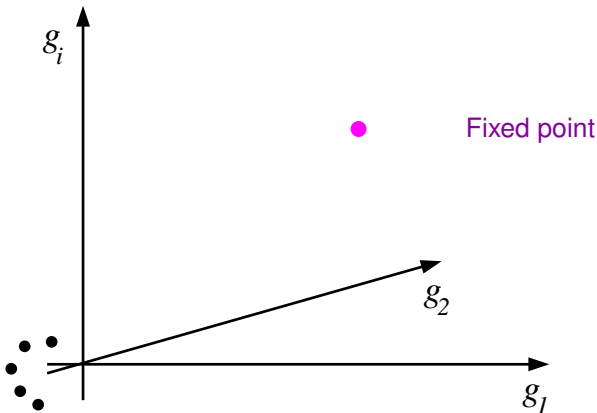
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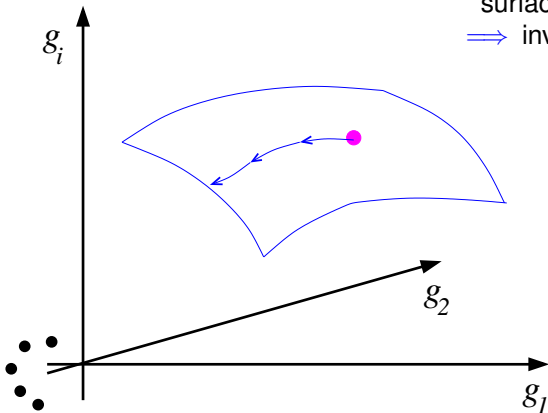
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surface of higher symmetry
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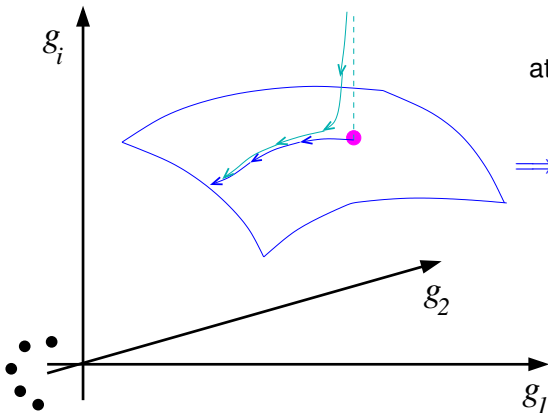
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if perturbations are attracted by hyperplane

RG irrelevant

\Rightarrow emergent symmetry towards IR

Emergent supersymmetry

- ▷ FRG in GN at LO'

(VACCA,ZABELLI'15)

$$\nu \simeq 0.693, \quad \eta_\sigma \simeq 0.154, \quad \eta_\psi \simeq 0.221 \neq \eta_\sigma$$

non-susy regularization

- ▷ manifestly supersymmetric FRG

(BERGNER,HG,SYNATSCHKE,WIPF'08)

(HG,SYNATSCHKE,WIPF'09)

- ▷ FRG for WZ at NNLO

(HEILMANN,HELLWIG,KNORR,ANSORG,WIPF'14)

$$\nu \simeq 0.710, \quad \eta_\sigma \simeq 0.180, \quad \eta_\psi \simeq 0.180 \equiv \eta_\sigma$$

- ▷ superscaling relation satisfied

(HG,SYNATSCHKE,WIPF'09)

$$\frac{1}{\nu_W} = \frac{1}{2}(d - \eta), \quad d \geq 2$$

holds to all orders (HEILMANN,HELLWIG,KNORR,ANSORG,WIPF'14)

Emergent supersymmetry

- ▷ “ $\mathcal{N}_f = 1/4$ ”-GN-Yukawa model in **susy** + **rest** notation:

(HELLWIG,WIPF,ZANUSSO IN PREP.)

$$\Gamma_k = \int \left[\frac{1}{2}(Z+Z_\psi)\bar{\psi}i\partial\psi - \frac{1}{2}(Z+Z_\sigma)(\partial_\mu\sigma)^2 - \frac{1}{2}ZF^2 \right. \\ \left. + FW'(\phi) - \frac{1}{4}W''(\phi)\bar{\psi}\psi + V_0 + h(\phi)\bar{\psi}\psi \right]$$

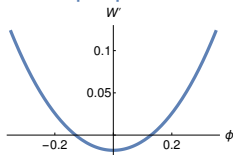
- ▷ control of higher-order operators by
“dynamical supersymmetrization”

$$F \rightarrow F_k[\phi, \bar{\psi}\psi, F]$$

cf. dynamical hadronization

(HG,WETTERICH'01; PAWLOWSKI'05)

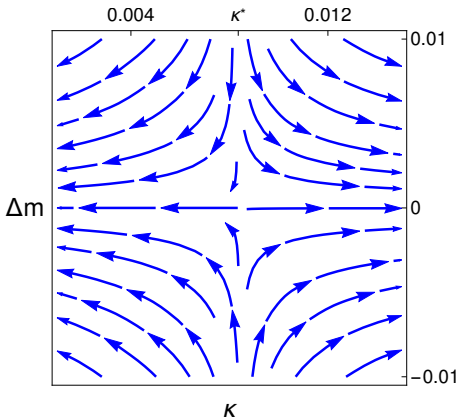
FP superpotential



(HELLWIG,WIPF,ZANUSSO IN PREP.)

Emergent supersymmetry

- ▷ “ $N_f = 1/4$ ”-GN-Yukawa model: phase diagram (HELLWIG, WIPF, ZANUSSO IN PREP.)



- ▷ supersymmetric hyperplane: IR attractive

e.g. $\Delta m = \text{fermion mass} - \text{boson mass} \rightarrow 0$

\implies emergent supersymmetry

Emergent supersymmetry

▷ “ $N_f = 1/4$ ”-GN-Yukawa model:

	GN-FRG LO' (VZ'15)	WZ-FRG NNLO (HHKAW'14)	SUSY-FRG +GN+d.s. (HWZ'16)	$4 - \epsilon$ 2nd (RYK'93)	2-sided Padé (FGKT'16)	CBS earl. est. (B'13)	CBS impr. est. (IKPPSY'15)
ν	0.693	0.710	0.722	0.710	—	—	—
η_σ	0.154	0.180	0.167	0.184	0.180	0.13	0.164
η_ψ	0.221	0.180	0.167	0.184	0.180	0.13	0.164
θ_2	-0.796	-0.715	-0.765	—	—	—	—

(VACCA,ZABELLI'15)(HEILMANN,HELLWIG,KNORR,ANSORG,WIPF'14) (HELLWIG,WIPF,ZANUSSO IN PREP.)

(ROSENSTEIN,YU,KOVNER'93) (FEI,GIOMBI,KLEBANOV,TARNOPOLSKY'16) (BASHKIROV'13)

(ILIESU,KOS,POLAND,DUFU,SIMMONS-DUFFIN,YACOBY'15)

⇒ acceptable overall agreement

with minor exceptions

Models with GN symmetry: chiral $U(N_f)_L \times U(N_f)_R$

- ▶ symmetries of the reducible Gross-Neveu model

(GEHRING, HG, JANSSEN '15)

$$S = \int d^3x \left[\bar{\psi}^a i \not{\partial} \psi^a + \frac{\bar{g}}{2N_f} (\bar{\psi}^a \psi^a)^2 \right],$$

- ▶ chiral projector:

$$P_{L/R}^{45} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbb{1} \pm \gamma_{45})$$

- ▶ independent chiral subsectors:

$$S = \int d^3x \left[\bar{\psi}_L^a i \not{\partial} \psi_L^a + \frac{\bar{g}}{2N_f} (\bar{\psi}_L^a \psi_L^a)^2 \right] + (L \leftrightarrow R)$$

Chiral $U(N_f)_L \times U(N_f)_R$ model

▷ complete pointlike Fierz basis:

(GEHRING,HG,JANSSEN'15)

$$\begin{aligned}(S)^2 &= (\bar{\psi}^a \psi^a)^2, & (P)^2 &= (\bar{\psi}^a \gamma_{45} \psi^a)^2, \\ (V)^2 &= (\bar{\psi}^a \gamma_\mu \psi^a)^2, & (T)^2 &= \frac{1}{2} (\bar{\psi}^a \gamma_{\mu\nu} \psi^a)^2.\end{aligned}$$

▷ chiral model contains (as invariant subspaces):

- reducible Gross-Neveu
- irreducible Gross-Neveu
- Thirring
- an some more ...

“meta-theory”

Chiral $U(N_f)_L \times U(N_f)_R$ model

- ▷ $N_f > 1$: 4 independent pointlike interactions

(GEHRING,HG,JANSSEN'15)

- ▷ real fixed points: $\begin{cases} 12 & \text{for } 2 \geq N_f < 3.76 \\ 16 & \text{for } N_f \geq 3.76 \end{cases}$

- ▷ collision of 3 (!) fixed points at $N_{f,cr}^{(1)} \simeq 3.76$.

$$N_f > N_{f,cr}^{(1)} : \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \bullet \\ \leftarrow \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \bullet \\ \rightarrow \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \bullet \\ \leftarrow \end{array} \end{array}$$

$$N_f < N_{f,cr}^{(1)} : \quad \begin{array}{ccc} \bullet & \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \bullet \\ \leftarrow \end{array} & \bullet \end{array}$$

- ▷ red. and irred. Gross-Neveu: “critical FPs” for any $N_f > 1$

- ▷ Thirring: “critical FP” for $N_f > 6$

(2 rel. dir. for $N_f < 6$)

connection to MC result $N_{f,cr} \simeq 6.6$ for staggered fermions?

Chiral $U(N_f)_L \times U(N_f)_R$ model

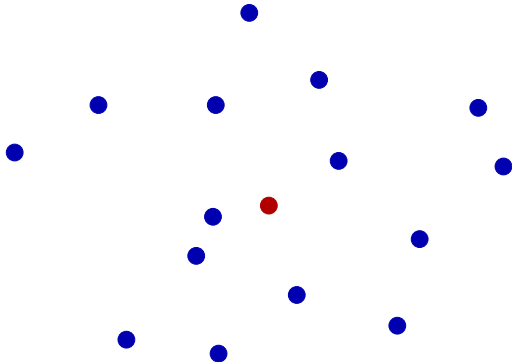
(HG, JAECKEL, WETTERICH'04; GEHRING, HG, JANSSEN'15)



less symmetry \implies richer FP structure

Chiral $U(N_f)_L \times U(N_f)_R$ model

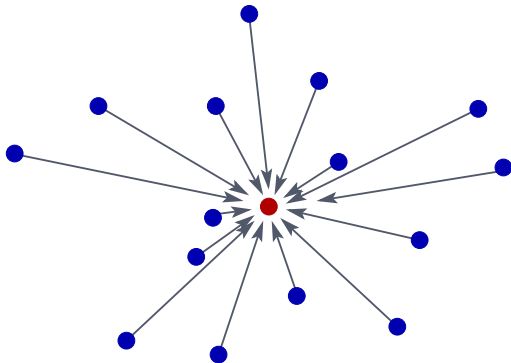
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for i pointlike interactions: 2^i FPs

Chiral $U(N_f)_L \times U(N_f)_R$ model

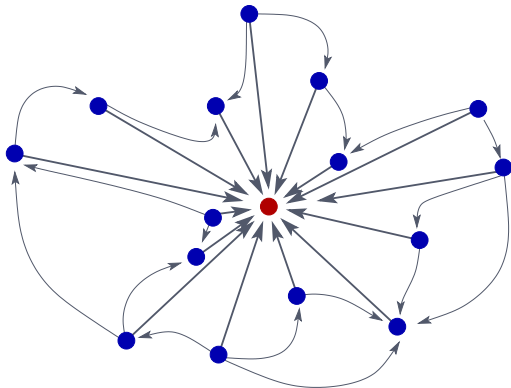
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each non-Gaussian FP has a critical exponent $\Theta = d - 2$

Chiral $U(N_f)_L \times U(N_f)_R$ model

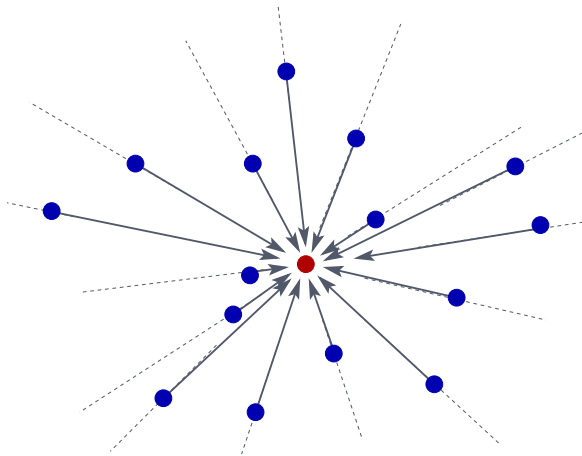
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$\binom{i}{k}$ FPs with k relevant directions

Chiral $U(N_f)_L \times U(N_f)_R$ model

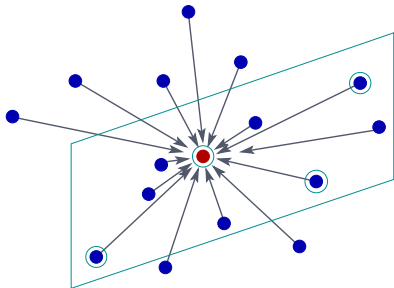
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all FP rays from Gaußian FP \mathcal{O} are invariant subspaces

Chiral $U(N_f)_L \times U(N_f)_R$ model

(HG, JAECKEL, WETTERICH'04; GEHRING, HG, JANSSEN'15)



a plane containing four pairwise linearly independent FPs

$$\mathcal{O}, \mathcal{P}_1, \mathcal{P}_2, \mathcal{P}_3$$

is an invariant subspace.

\Rightarrow candidate for emergent symmetry

e.g., $U(2N_f)$ for $N_f > 6$

Irreducible vs. reducible GN

▷ $N_f > 1$

(GEHRING, HG, JANSSEN '15)

irreducible GN

$$\sim (\bar{\psi}\gamma_{45}\psi)^2$$

FP: \mathcal{A}

1 relevant direction

SB pattern:

\mathbb{Z}_2 parity

QAHS

reducible GN

$$\sim (\bar{\psi}\psi)^2$$

FP: \mathcal{D}

1 relevant direction

SB pattern:

\mathbb{Z}_2 “discrete chirality”

CDW

⇒ same dimension d
symmetry of σ

of long-range degrees of freedom

Irreducible vs. reducible GN

▷ $N_f = 1$

(GEHRING, HG, JANSSEN '15)

irreducible GN

reducible GN

$$\sim (\bar{\psi} \gamma_{45} \psi)^2$$

$$\sim (\bar{\psi} \psi)^2$$

FP: \mathcal{A}

FP: \mathcal{D}

FP: \mathcal{E}

1 relevant direction

2 relevant direction

1 relevant direction

SB pattern:

SB pattern:

\mathbb{Z}_2 parity

\mathbb{Z}_2 “discrete chirality”

QAHS

CDW

critical exponents:

critical exponents:

$$\nu \simeq 1, \theta_2 \simeq -2$$

$$\nu \simeq 1, \theta_2 \simeq -(3 - \sqrt{5})$$

⇒ spectator: $U(2N_f)$

⇒ spectator: $U(N_f)_L \times U(N_f)_R$

Universality class conjecture

▷ universality classes are determined by

(GEHRING,HG,JANSSEN'15)

- dimension d
- symmetry of order parameter
- # long-range degrees of freedom
- & spectator symmetries

Conclusions

Low-dimensional chiral fermion systems:

- plethora of theories

2×Gross-Neveu, Thirring, NJL, chiral . . .

- “perfect” quantum field theories

non-perturbatively renormalizable, asymptotically safe

- wide variety of universality classes

& variety of symmetry breaking patterns
quantitative playground for FRG

- emergent (super-)symmetries

. . . general mechanism?

- specification of universality classes

+ spectator symmetries

Enjoy FRG Land!

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Chiral $U(N_f)_L \times U(N_f)_R$ model

▷ e.g., $N_f = 2$ (\sim graphen ?):

$$U(2)_L \times U(2)_R \simeq U_V(1) \times U_A(1) \times SU_L(2) \times SU_R(2)$$

- $U_V(1)$: charge conservation
- $U_A(1)$: translational symmetry on honeycomb lattice
- $SU(2)_{L/R}$: independent spin rotation in the two Dirac-cone sectors (expected to be broken at strong coupling)

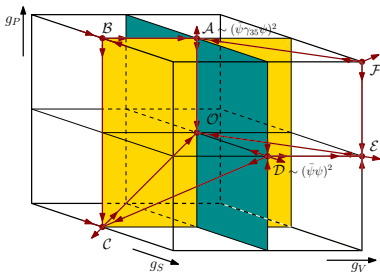
(HERBUT, JURICIC, ROY'09)

(JANSSEN, HERBUT'14)

Spinless chiral $U(1)_L \times U(1)_R$ model

- ▶ $N_f = 1$: 3 independent pointlike interactions
- ▶ RG flow: 7 fixed points ($\mathcal{O}, \mathcal{A} - \mathcal{F}$)

(GEHRING, HG, JANSSEN '15)



- ▶ 1 relevant direction at Thirring and irreducible Gross-Neveu FP
~ critical point, 2nd order QPT ?
- ▶ 2 relevant directions at reducible Gross-Neveu FP
1st order transition ?