

# Supersymmetric Renormalization Group Flows

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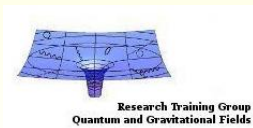
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# Supersymmetry (susy) and ERGE

- intermediate and strong couplings, susy-breaking, condensation, ...  
non-perturbative methods
- exact solutions:  
low dimensions, extended supersymmetry, large  $N$ , ...
- lattice simulations:  
susy broken by discretisation  $\Rightarrow$  fine-tuning, demanding  
 $\implies$  need complement to lattice studies
- functional renormalization group?  
successfully applied to  
phase transitions, condensed matter physics, infrared sector of gauge theories, quantum gravity, renormalizability-proofs

add momentum- and scale-dependent regulator term to action

$$\Delta S_k[\phi] = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{d^d p}{(2\pi)^d} \phi^*(p) R_k(p) \phi(p)$$

⇒ scale-dependent generating functional

$$Z_k[j] = \int \mathcal{D}\phi e^{-S[\phi] + (j, \phi) - \Delta S_k[\phi]}$$

⇒ scale dependent **Schwinger functional** and **effective action**

$$W_k[j] = \log Z_k[j] \quad , \quad \Gamma_k[\varphi] = (\mathcal{L} W_k)[\varphi] - \Delta S_k[\varphi]$$

- $\Gamma_k$  not necessarily convex

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<sup>1</sup>renormalization group: Bogoliubov and Shirkov, Doklady AN SSSR, 103 (1955) 203

# Flow of effective action

conditions on **regulator (cutoff-function)**  $R_k(p)$ :

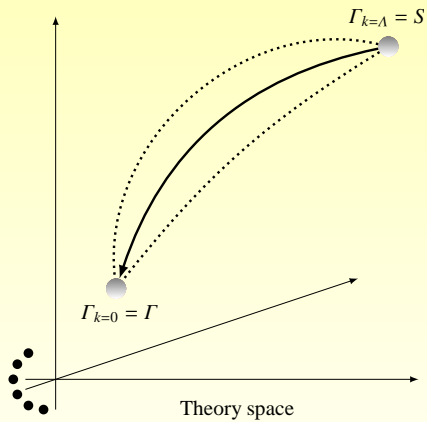
- serves as IR regularization
- recover effective action in IR:  $\Gamma_{k=0}[\varphi] = \Gamma[\varphi]$
- recover classical theory at UV-cutoff  $\Lambda$

exact and UV/IR finite flow equation

$$\partial_k \Gamma_k[\varphi] = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left( \frac{\partial_k R_k}{\Gamma_k^{(2)}[\varphi] + R_k} \right)$$

Wetterich

- rhs: quantum fluctuations near momentum shell  $p \approx k$
- integration  $\Rightarrow$  all quantum fluctuations below cutoff  $\Lambda$
- new: **supersymmetric flows for supersymmetric theories**



# Challenges

- manifest **supersymmetric renormalization flow**  
mass deceneracy, Ward identities, . . .
- dynamical **susy breaking**  $\implies$  **phase transitions**  
fixed-point structure, temperature effects, equation of state
- **non-renormalization** theorems
- switch to **relevant dof at low energies?**

related (mostly structural) investigations by:

Sonoda; Bonini & Vian; Falkenberg & Geyer;

Arnone & Yoshida; Arnone & Guerrieri & Yoshida;

Rosten, Sonoda & Ulker; Horiskoshi & Aoki & Taniguchi & Terao

# Wess-Zumino models in two dimensions

- $\mathcal{N} = 1$  supersymmetry  $\implies$  real superfield

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi(x, \theta) &= \phi(x) + \bar{\theta}\gamma_*\psi(x) + \frac{1}{2}(\bar{\theta}\gamma_*\theta)F(x) \\ \mathcal{L}_E &= \frac{1}{2}\bar{D}\Phi\gamma_*D\Phi + W(\Phi)\Big|_{\bar{\theta}\gamma_*\theta}\end{aligned}$$

- in components

$$\mathcal{L}_E = \frac{1}{2}\partial_\mu\phi\partial^\mu\phi + \frac{i}{2}\bar{\psi}\not{\partial}\psi - \frac{1}{2}F^2 + \frac{1}{2}W'''(\phi)\bar{\psi}\gamma_*\psi - FW'(\phi)$$

- supersymmetry

$$\delta\phi = \bar{\varepsilon}\gamma_*\psi, \quad \delta\psi = (F + i\gamma_*\not{\partial}\phi)\varepsilon, \quad \delta F = i\bar{\varepsilon}\not{\partial}\psi$$

- eliminate dummy  $F \implies$

$$\mathcal{L}_E = \frac{1}{2}(\partial\phi)^2 + \frac{i}{2}\bar{\psi}\not{\partial}\psi + \frac{1}{2}W'^2(\phi) + \frac{1}{2}W'''(\phi)\bar{\psi}\gamma_*\psi$$



- classical model determined by **superpotential**  $W$
- $W(\phi) \sim \phi^m$ :  $m$  even: **susy always unbroken**  
 $m$  odd: **susy breaking possible**
- need **supersymmetric regulator** for flow equation

$$\Delta \mathcal{L}_k = \frac{1}{2} \Phi K(\bar{\mathcal{D}}, \mathcal{D}) \Phi |_{\bar{\theta} \gamma_* \theta}$$

$$(\bar{\mathcal{D}} \gamma_* \mathcal{D})^{2n} \propto \bar{\mathcal{D}} \not{\partial} \mathcal{D} \Delta^{n-1} \quad , \quad (\bar{\mathcal{D}} \gamma_* \mathcal{D})^{2n+1} \propto \bar{\mathcal{D}} \gamma_* \mathcal{D} \Delta^n$$

$\implies R_k$  depends only on **two functions**, here

$$\Delta S_k = \frac{1}{2} \int d^d x (\phi \not{p}^2 r(p^2) \phi - \bar{\psi} \not{p} r(p^2) \psi - r(p^2) F^2)$$

# Flow of super potential

- susy relates cut-off functions for component fields ☺
- this talk: mainly **local potential approximation** NLO: Synatschke, Gies, Wipf

$$\Gamma_k = \int d^d x \left( \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi + \frac{i}{2} \bar{\psi} \not{\partial} \psi - \frac{1}{2} F^2 + \frac{1}{2} W_k''(\phi) \bar{\psi} \gamma_* \psi - W_k'(\phi) F \right)$$

- project flow onto  $F \implies$  flow PDE-equation for  $W_k$

$$\partial_k W_k(\phi) = - \frac{k^{d-1}}{A_d} \frac{W_k''(\phi)}{k^2 + W_k''(\phi)^2}, \quad A_2 = 4\pi, \quad A_3 = 8\pi^2$$

$\implies$  flow for scalar potential  $V_k = \frac{1}{2} W_k'^2$

# Fixed point structure in 2 dimensions

- **dimensionless** quantities  $k \rightarrow t$ ,  $W_k(\phi) = kw_t(\phi)$

$$\partial_t w_t(\phi) + w_t(\phi) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{w_t''(\phi)}{1 + w_t''(\phi)^2}, \quad (\text{nonlinear PDE})$$

- even  $w_t'$   $\Rightarrow$  susy-breaking possible, Taylor series

$$w_t'(\phi) = \lambda_t(\phi^2 - a_t^2) + b_{4,t}\phi^4 + b_{6,t}\phi^6 + \dots$$

$\Rightarrow \infty$ -system of coupled ODE's

- $a_t$  does not enter equations for higher order couplings  $\lambda_t, b_{2i,t}$
- **fixed points:**  $\partial_t w_* = 0 \Rightarrow (a^*)^2 = 1/2\pi, a_t^2 : \text{IR-unstable}$

# fixed points continued

- keep terms up to  $b_{2n,t}\phi^{2n} \implies 2n$  non-Gaussian fixed points

$$\pm (\lambda_p^*, b_{4,p}^*, \dots, b_{2n,p}^*), \quad p = 1, \dots, n$$

- ordering  $\lambda_n^* > \lambda_{n-1}^* > \dots \implies$

$\lambda_n^*$  : 1 IR-unstable direction  $a_t^2$

$\lambda_{n-1}^*$  : 2 IR-unstable directions

$\lambda_{n-2}^*$  : 3 IR-unstable directions

$\vdots$

- root belonging to IR-stable fixed point  $\lambda_n^* \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_{\text{crit}} = 0.9816$

$\lambda^*$	$\Re(\theta^l)$ of non-Gaussian fixed points, truncation at $2n=16$							
$\pm.9816$	-1.54	-7.43	-18.3	-37.3	-68.9	-120	-204	-351
$\pm.8813$	6.16	-1.64	-9.82	-25.6	-52.5	-96.9	-170	-300
$\pm.7131$	21.4	4.37	-1.57	-11.1	-30.1	-63.3	-120	-223
$\pm.5152$	28.7	13.3	3.33	-1.39	-11.6	-32.8	-71.7	-145
$\pm.3158$	20.0	20.0	8.40	2.57	-1.14	-11.6	-34.3	-80.4
$\pm.1437$	11.2	11.2	8.63	5.19	1.95	-.842	-11.1	-35.7
$\pm.0322$	4.20	4.20	2.86	2.72	2.72	1.47	-.540	-10.5
$\pm.0003$	1.57	1.57	1.43	1.43	1.14	.542	.542	-0.221

- **odd solutions** of nonlinear ODE for  $u(\phi) = w_*''(\phi)$  :

$$(1 - u^4)u'' = 2u'^2(3 - u^2)u - (1 - u^2)^3 4\pi u$$

- **periodic solutions** for  $u'(0) < 2\lambda_{\text{crit}}$   
previous polynomials converge to periodic solution
- $u'_{\text{crit}}(0) = 2\lambda_{\text{crit}}$ : IR-stable fixed point, finite for  $|\phi| \leq 0.5823$

## next-to leading-order flows

- wave function renormalization  $\implies \eta = -\partial_t \log Z_k^2$
- $\theta^0$  critical exponent of relevant direction  $a_t^2$  (related to  $W$ )
- **new superscaling relation** (exact in NLO)

$$\nu_w \equiv \frac{1}{\theta_0} = \frac{d - \eta}{2}$$

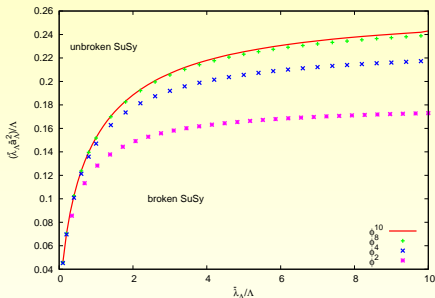
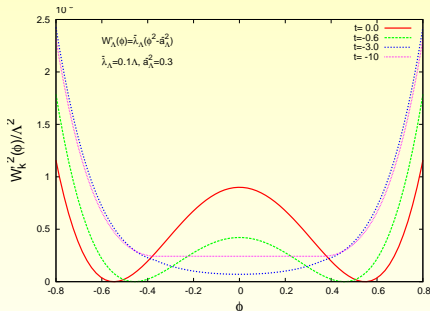
superscaling relation at **maximally IR-stable fixed point** (d=2)

$2n$	2	4	6	8	10	12	14
$\eta$	0.3284	0.4194	0.4358	0.4386	0.4388	0.4387	0.4386
$1/\nu_w$	0.8358	0.7903	0.7821	0.7807	0.7806	0.78065	0.7807

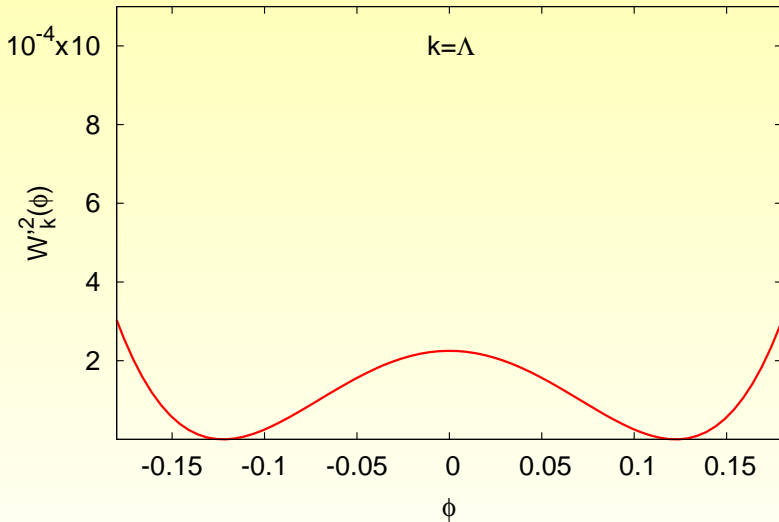
- **number of IR-unstable direction = number of nodes of  $u$  plus 1**

# Supersymmetry breaking

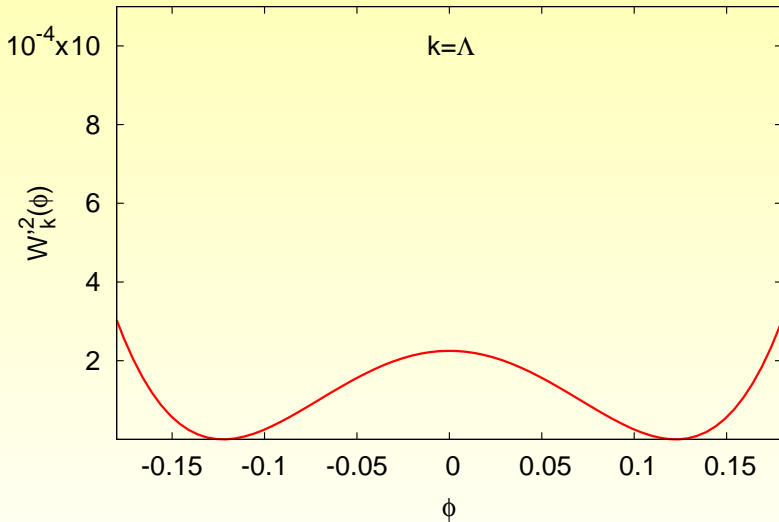
- supersymmetric phase:  $\min_{\phi} V_{k=0}(\phi) = \min_{\phi} W'_{k=0}(\phi) = 0$
- susy broken:  $W'_{k=0}(\phi)$  has no node

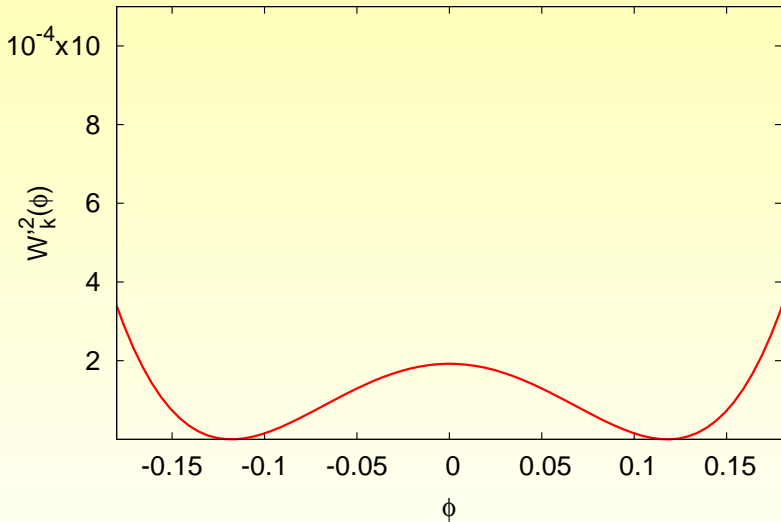


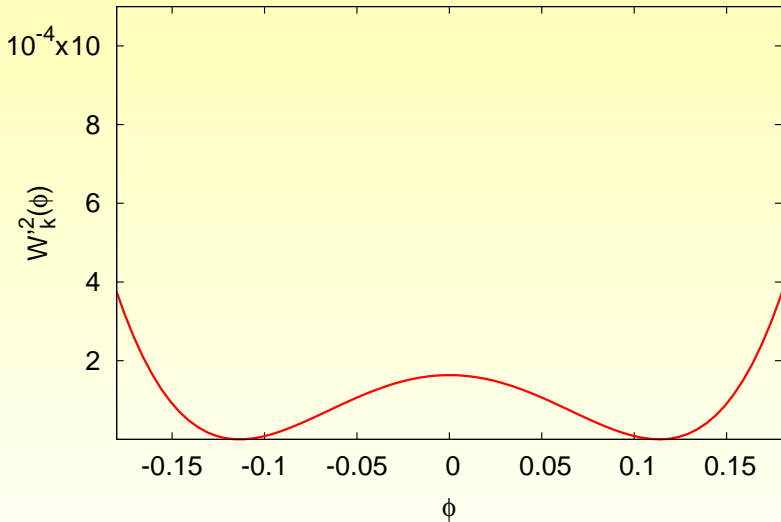
left: flow of a potential  $V = W'^2$  with susy breaking,  $W'_\Lambda(\phi) = \bar{\lambda}_\Lambda(\phi^2 - \bar{a}_\Lambda^2)$   
 right: phase diagram for couplings specified at  $\Lambda$ , different truncations.

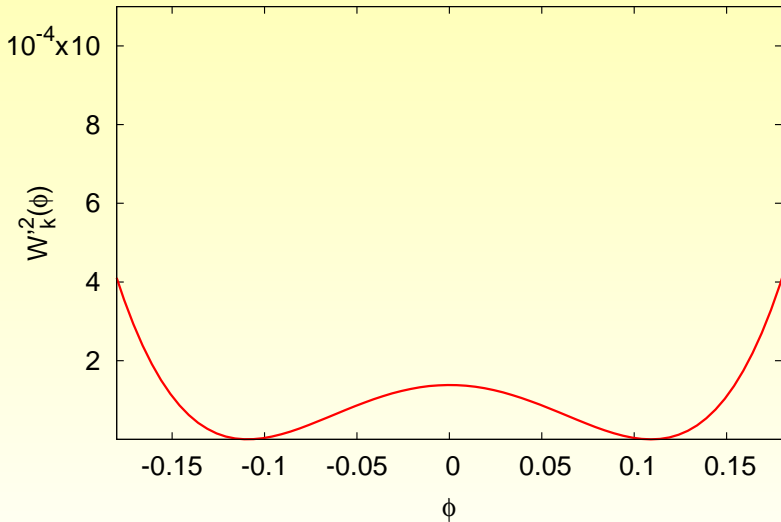


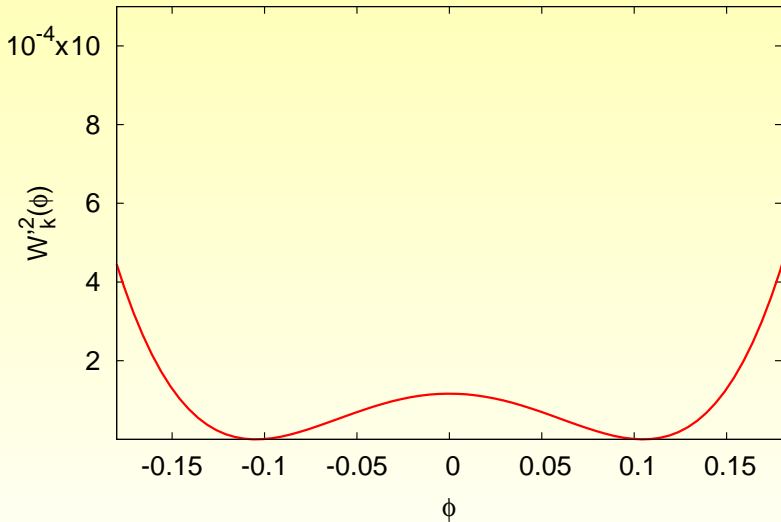


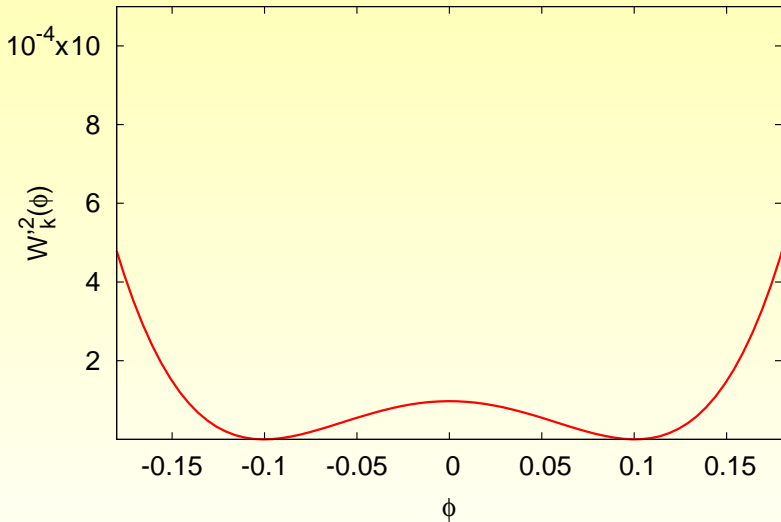


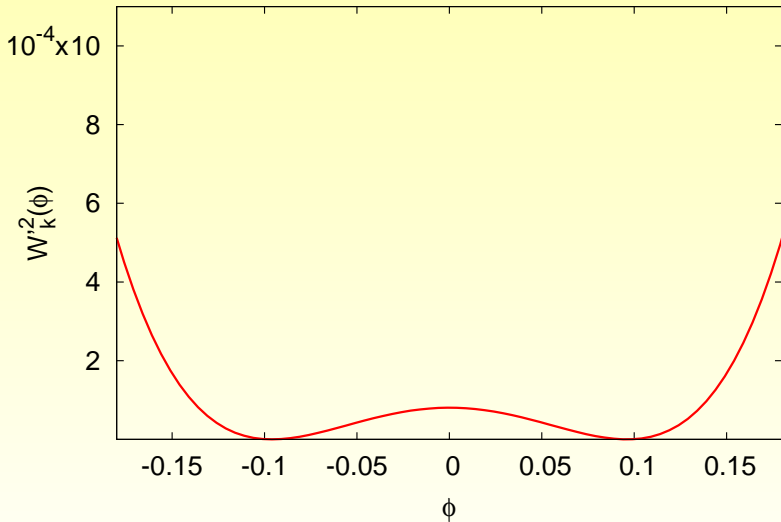


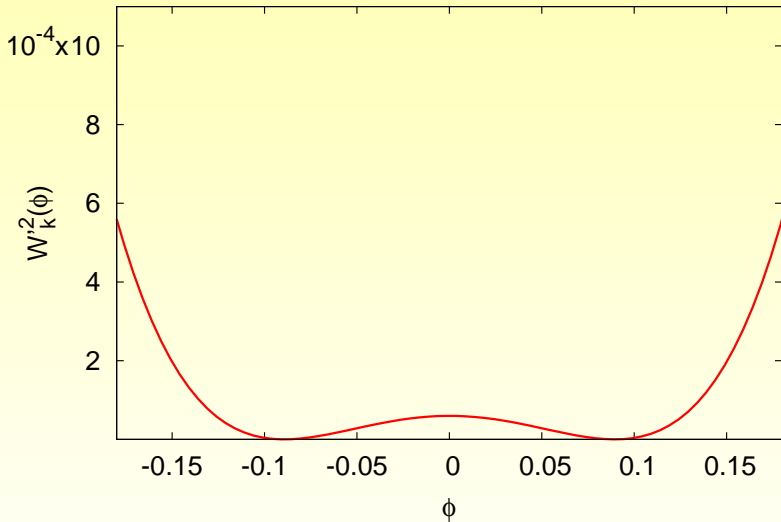




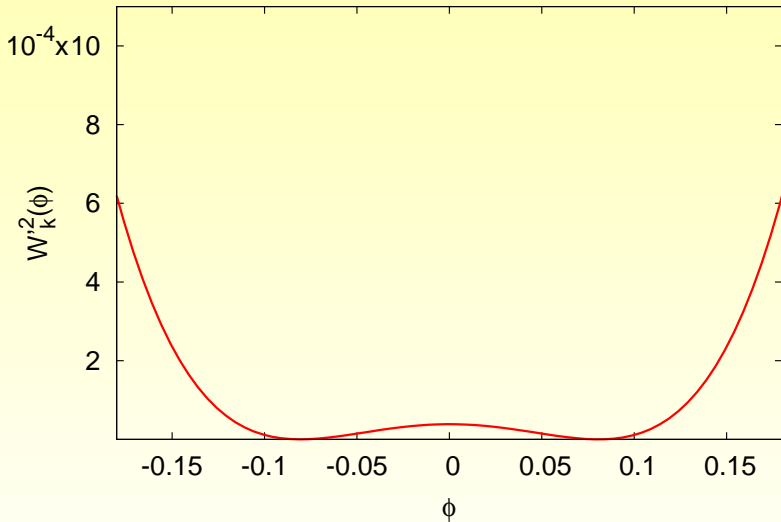


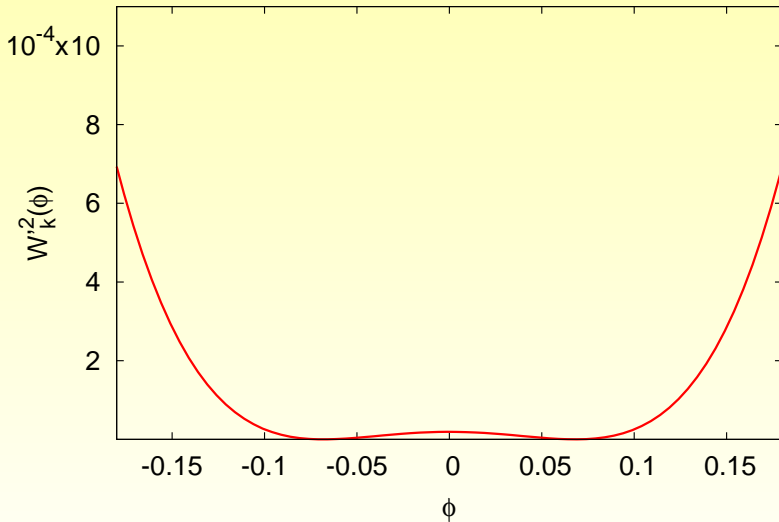


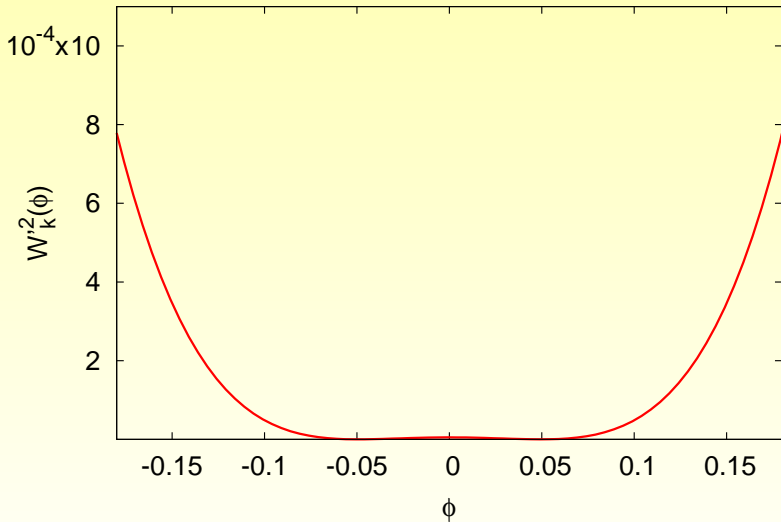


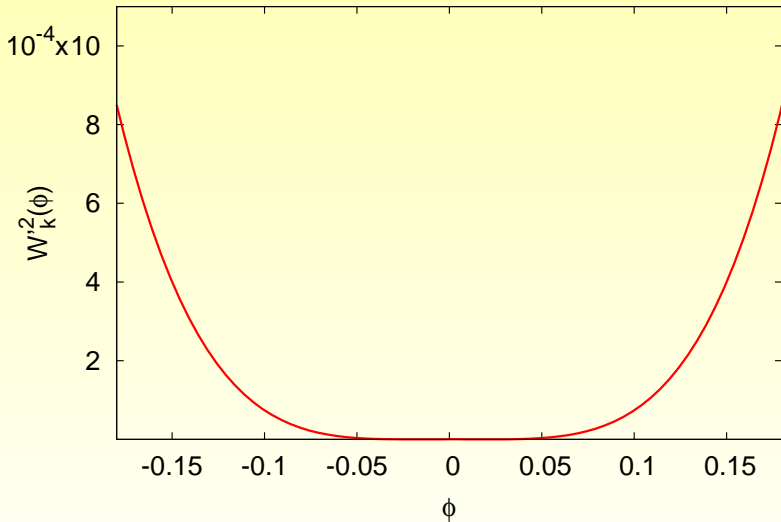


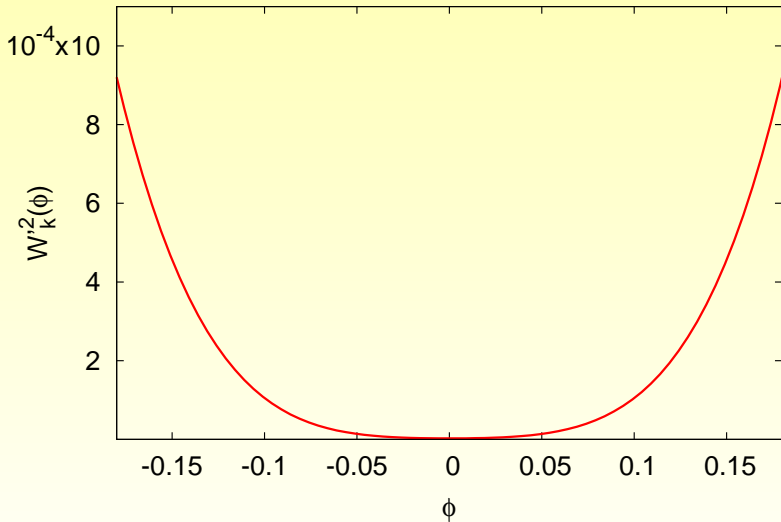


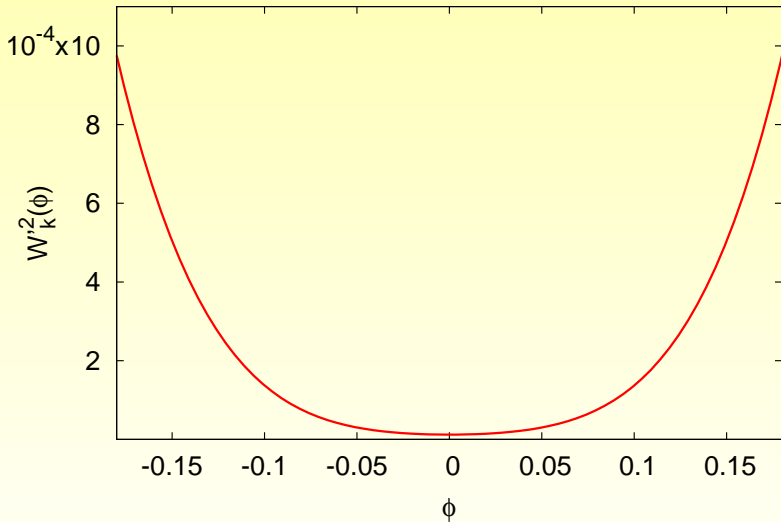


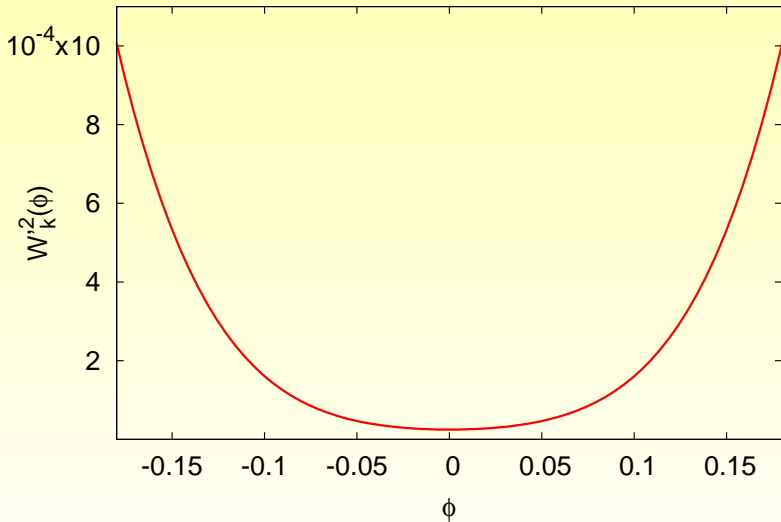


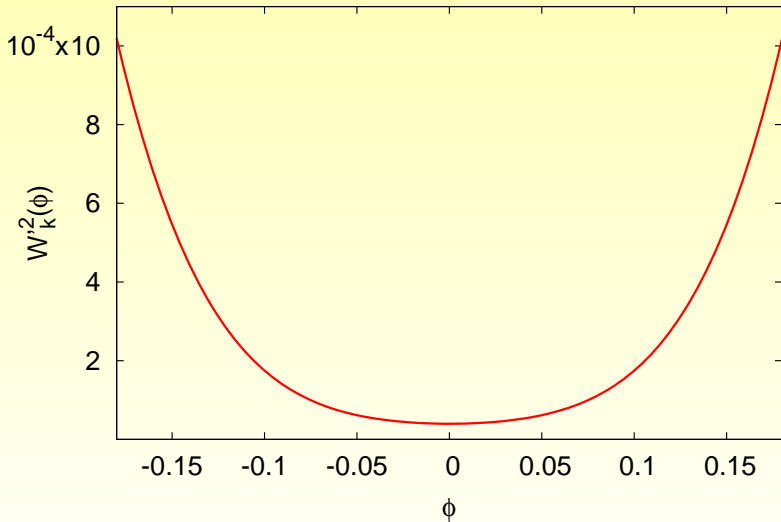








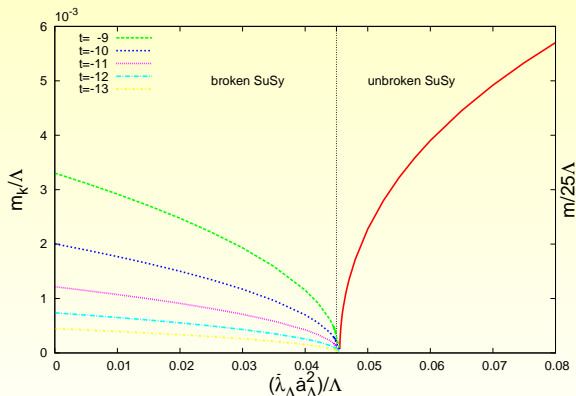






# masses of bosons and fermions

- supersymmetric phase:  $Z_k^4 m_{k,\text{boson}}^2 = W_k''^2(\chi_{\min}/Z_k) = Z_k^4 m_{k,\text{fermion}}^2$
- broken phase:(superscaling)  $Z_k^4 m_{k,\text{boson}}^2 = W_k'(0) W_k'''(0) \sim k^{1+\eta/2}$



# Wess-Zumino model in 3 dimensions

with J. Braun and F. Synatschke-Czerwonka

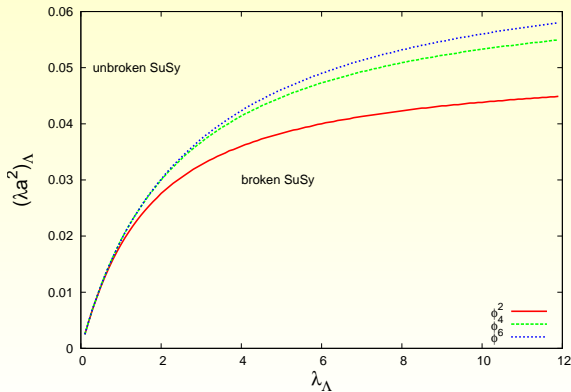
- one Wilson-Fisher fixed point for Yukawa-model
- $a_t^2$  defines the only IR-unstable direction
- LPA, polynomial expansion
- rapid convergence

Wilson-Fisher fixed point from polynomial expansion

$2n$	$\pm\lambda^*$	$\pm b_4^*$	$\pm b_6^*$	$\pm b_8^*$	$\pm b_{10}^*$	$\pm b_{12}^*$
4	1.546	2.305				
6	1.590	2.808	6.286			
8	1.595	2.873	7.150	13.41		
10	1.595	2.873	7.155	13.48	1.212	
12	1.595	2.870	7.118	12.90	-8.895	-183.3

$2n$	critical exponents for different truncations								
6	-0.799	-5.92	-20.9						
8	-0.767	-4.83	-14.4	-38.2					
10	-0.757	-4.35	-11.5	-26.9	-60.8				
12	-0.756	-4.16	-9.94	-21.4	-43.8	-89.0			
14	-0.756	-4.10	-9.13	-18.3	-35.1	-65.4	-123		
16	-0.756	-4.08	-8.72	-16.4	-29.9	-52.9	-91.9	-163	
18	-0.756	-4.08	-8.54	-15.2	-26.4	-45.0	-75.0	-124	-209

- phase diagram from parameter study of  $W'_{k \rightarrow 0}$



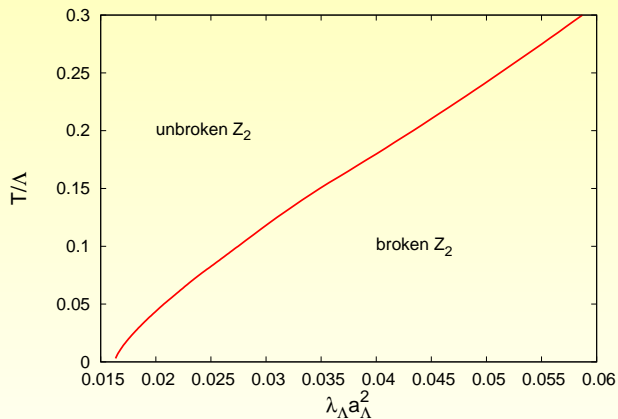
# Finite temperature

- $\int dp_0 \longrightarrow$  summation over Matsubara frequencies
- sums can be calculated explicitly  $\implies$  **two flow equations**

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_k W_k^{\text{bos}} &= -\frac{k^2}{8\pi^2} W_k'''' \frac{k^2 - W_k''^2}{(k^2 + W_k''^2)^2} \times F_{\text{bos}}(T, k) \\ \partial_k W_k^{\text{ferm}} &= -\frac{k^2}{8\pi^2} W_k'''' \frac{k^2 - W_k''^2}{(k^2 + W_k''^2)^2} \times F_{\text{ferm}}(T, k)\end{aligned}$$

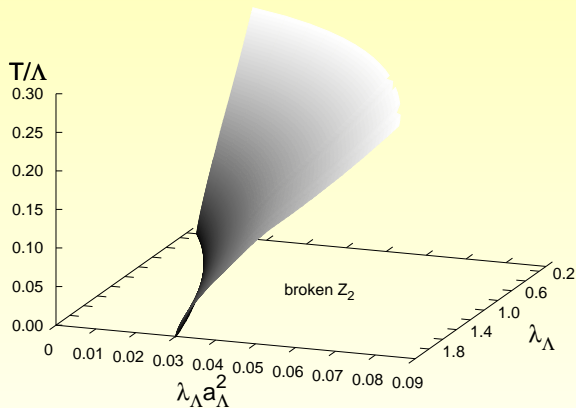
- susy breaking by thermal fluctuations (bosons  $\neq$  fermions)
- $T = 0$ : **susy broken**  $\longleftrightarrow$   $\mathbb{Z}_2$  **unbroken**  
 $\implies$  study  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  breaking at finite  $T$

# Phase diagram



finite-temperature phase diagram for fixed  $\lambda_\Lambda = 0.8$

# Phase diagram, continued



finite-temperature phase diagram

# Linear sigma-models

- real superfield,  $N$  components

$$\Phi^i(x, \theta) = \phi^i + \bar{\theta}\psi^i(x) + \frac{1}{2}\bar{\theta}\theta F^i(x)$$

- $O(N)$ -invariant **composite superfield**  $R \equiv \frac{1}{2}\Phi^i\Phi_i$

$$R = \bar{\varrho} + (\bar{\theta}\psi_i)\phi^i + \frac{1}{2}\bar{\theta}\theta \left( \phi^i F_i - \frac{1}{2}\bar{\psi}^i\psi_i \right)$$

- $O(N)$ -invariant supersymmetric action

$$\mathcal{S} = \int d^3x \left[ -\frac{1}{2}\Phi^i\bar{D}D\Phi_i + 2NW \left( \frac{R}{N} \right) \right] \Big|_{\bar{\theta}\theta}$$

- rescaled dimensionless quantities

$$\rho = \frac{8\pi^2}{N} \frac{\bar{\rho}}{k} \quad \text{and} \quad w(\rho) = 8\pi^2 \frac{W(\frac{\bar{\rho}}{N})}{k^2}$$

- flow equation: optimized cutoff-function
- contribution from Goldstone modes and radial mode

$$\partial_t w - \rho w' + 2w = -\frac{(1 - \frac{1}{N})w'}{1 + w'^2} - \frac{\frac{1}{N}(w' + 2\rho w'')}{1 + (w' + 2\rho w'')^2}$$

- large- $N$  limit: radial mode decouples  $\implies$

$$\partial_t u + \partial_\rho u \left[ 1 - \rho - u^2 \frac{3 + u^2}{(1 + u^2)^2} \right] = -u \quad (u = w')$$



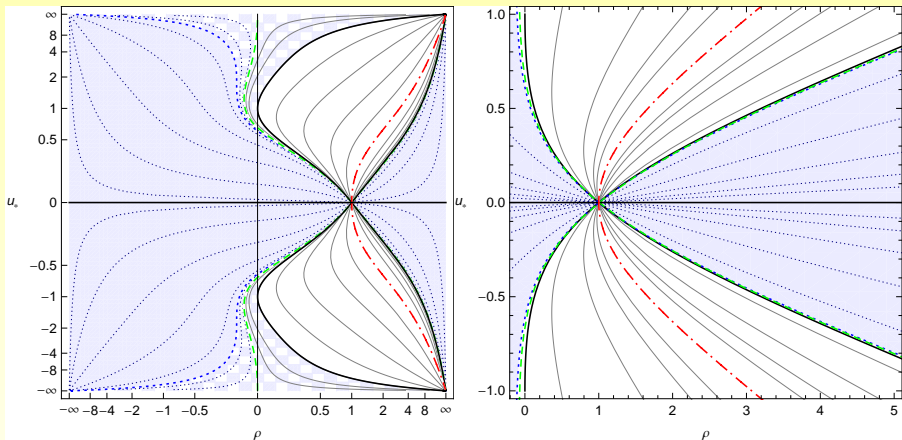
- methods of characteristics  $\implies$  exact solution

$$\frac{\rho - 1}{u} - F(u) = G(ue^t), \quad F(u) = \frac{u}{1 + u^2} + 2 \arctan u$$

- $u(\rho)$  at cutoff  $\Lambda \implies G(ue^t)$
- fixed point solutions depend on one real parameter  $c$

$$\rho = 1 + H(u_*) + c u_*, \quad H(u_*) = u_* F(u_*)$$

- one-parameter family of fixed point solutions
- all solutions have node at  $\rho = 1$
- two families: global vs. non-global solutions



- 1-parameter family of fixed point solutions: one marginal coupling  $\sim 1/c$ 
  - weak coupling:  $c \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow u_* = 0$  horizontal line
  - intermediate coupling: two fixed point solution
  - strong coupling:  $c \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$  not globally defined

# eigenperturbation

- flow in vicinity of fixed points

$$u(t, \rho) = u_*(\rho) + \delta u(t, \rho)$$

- linearize flow equation

$$\partial_t \delta u = \frac{u_*}{u'_*} \left( \partial_\rho - \frac{(u_* u'_*)'}{u_* u'_*} \right) \delta u,$$

- explicit solution

$$\delta u(t, u) = C e^{\theta t} u_*^{\theta+1} u'_*.$$

- regularity at  $\rho = 1 \implies$
- eigenvalues of stability matrix  $\implies$  all critical exponents

$$\theta = -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

# summary and next

- manifest supersymmetric FRG for scalar multiplet
- masses and coupling in infrared
- supersymmetry breaking, phase transitions
- critical phenomena: fixed points, universal exponents
- non-renormalization theorems
- exact solution for  $W_k$  in linear susy  $O(N \rightarrow \infty)$  sigma model
- supersymmetric  $O(n)$  and  $CP(n)$  models

first lattice results for supersymmetric  $CP(1)$

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flow equations: how does spectrum vary with  $\theta$

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- supersymmetric gauge theories

first lattice-results in  $d = 1, 2, 3$

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study of flow equations

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😊 thank you 😊