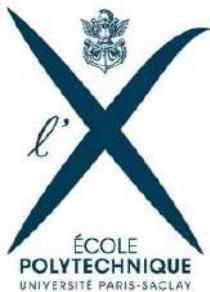


# An introduction to tensor models :

## from random geometry to melonic CFTs.

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# Outline

1. Matrix models: large  $N$  expansion, applications
2. Tensor models: large  $N$  expansion, random geometry
3. Melonic CFTs: SYK-like models, tensor field theories

# Reviews

Matrices : 1510. 04430 Eynard, Kimura, Ribault

Random tensors:

"The tensor track" I-IV, Rivasseau 2011-2016

"Random tensors" Guan 2016

Melonic CFTs:

1808. 09434 Guan

"The tensor track" V-VI, Rivasseau, Delporte 2018-2020

2004. 08616 Benedetti

# Large N expansion of matrix models

Hermitian matrices

$$Z_N(\lambda) = \int_{\mathbb{M}_N} dM \exp^{-N\left(\frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} M^2 + \frac{\lambda}{4} \text{Tr} M^4\right)}$$

$$\rightarrow \langle \text{Tr}(M^{m_1}) \dots \text{Tr}(M^{m_k}) \rangle ?$$

→ Gaussian measure.

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda = 0 \quad \langle M_{ij} M_{kl} \rangle &\equiv P_{ij, kl} = \frac{1}{Z_N(0)} \int dM e^{-\frac{N}{2} \text{Tr} M^2} M_{ij} M_{kl} \\ &= \boxed{\frac{1}{N} \delta_{il} \delta_{jk}} \end{aligned}$$

# Graphical representation: ribbon graphs

$$P_{ijkl} = \frac{1}{N} S_i e S_j k \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} i \\ j \end{array} \xrightarrow{\quad e \quad} \begin{array}{c} l \\ k \end{array}$$

interaction  $N T_2 M^4 \rightarrow$

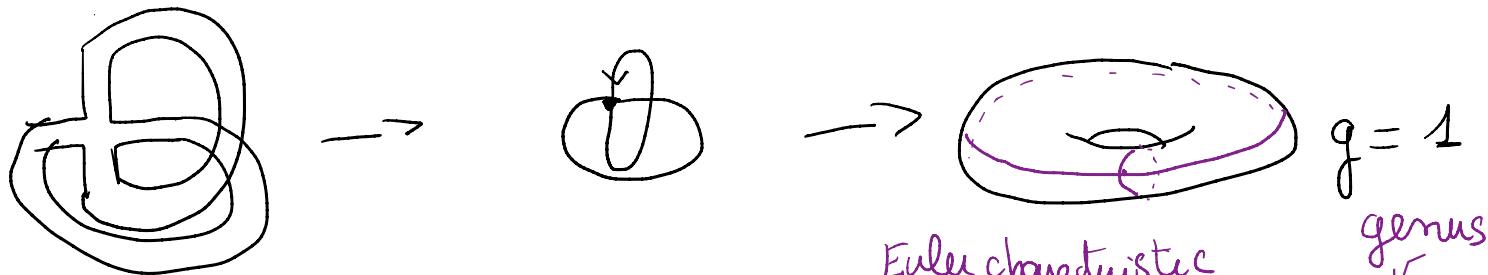
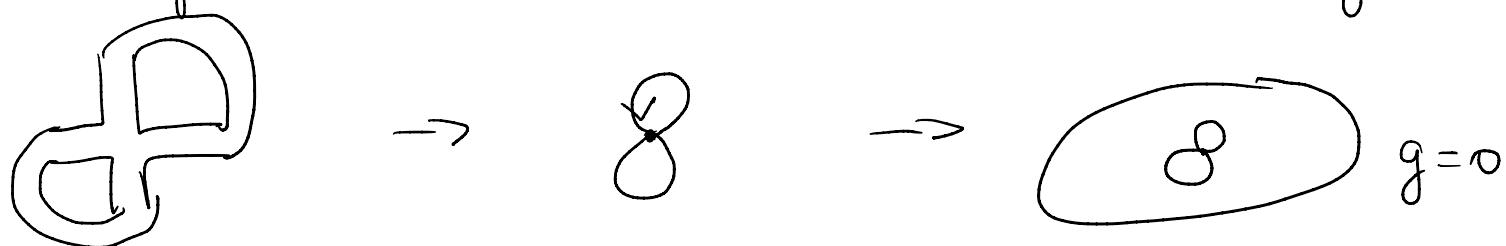
$$M_{ij} M_{jk} M_{kl} M_{ei}$$

$$\langle N T_2 M^4 \rangle =$$
$$+ \quad +$$

vertex  $\stackrel{2\text{prop}}{\overbrace{\left(\frac{1}{N}\right)^2}} \left( N^3 + N^3 + N \right) = 2N^2 + 1$

# Ribbon graphs vs Combinatorial maps

Ribbon graph  $\rightarrow$  combinatorial map  $\rightarrow$  embedded graph



Scaling in  $N$ :

$$N^{V - E + F} = N^{\chi} = N^{2 - 2g}$$

# Topological expansion

$$Z_N(\lambda) = \int dM e^{-N \left( \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} M^2 + \frac{\lambda}{4} \text{Tr} M^4 \right)}$$
$$= \sum_G \frac{(-\lambda)^{V(G)}}{s(G)} N^{2-2g(G)}$$

↑ sym. factor.

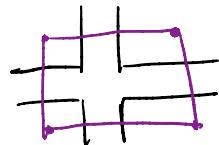
→ Large  $N$  expansion

$$\ln Z_N(\lambda) = \sum_{g \in \mathbb{N}} N^{2-2g} \underbrace{F_g(\lambda)}_{\substack{\text{all graphs of genus } g}} \sum_{\substack{\text{G connected} \\ g(G)=g}} \frac{(-\lambda)^{V(G)}}{s(G)}$$

→ Dominated by planar graphs -

# Random surfaces

- Generate quadrangulation : dual graph



→ space-time geometry.

Large N limit : planar quadrangulation

# Quantum gravity in D=2

Critical regimes :  $\lambda_c$  continuum limit

Double-scaling : large N,  $\lambda \rightarrow \lambda_c$

Sum over non-trivial topologies.

$\Rightarrow$  Universality: converge to Brownian sphere

$\hookrightarrow$  Random geometry behind Liouville QG

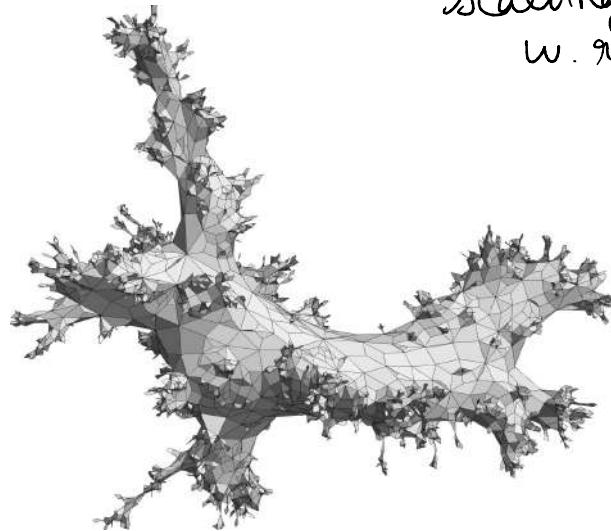
# Brownian sphere

$$d_{\text{spectral}} = 2$$

L'  
effective dim°  
diffusion process

$$d_{\text{Hausdorff}} = 4 \rightarrow \text{"fractalmess"}$$

scaling of the volume  
w.r.t distance



Credit: T. Budd <https://hef.ru.nl/~tbudd/gallery/>

# Other applications

## Strongly coupled QFT

N: large nb of fields / sym,

↳ non-perturbatively in  $\lambda$

→ Probe for holographic dualities.

Gauge  $\leftrightarrow$  Einstein

↳ 2nd Lecture -

# What about tensors?

$$F(\lambda) = \ln \int dT e^{-Tabc Tabc} + \frac{\lambda}{N^d} T_{aeb} T_{bgc} T_{ced} T_{dfa}$$

(Ambjørn, Durhuus, Jónsson  
Gross, Sasaku '90s)

- No nice large N expansion!
- Cannot use matrix techniques

Progress: Gurau, Rivasseau, Bonzom '10

- more sym.  $U(N)^D$  : ≠ tensor fields, distinguish indices.
- Universal large N expansion for any  $D \geq 3$

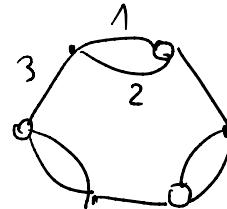
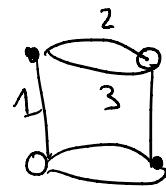
## 2. Complex colored tensor models

# Trace invariants

$$T_{a_1 \dots a_D}^D \quad \bar{T}_{a_1 \dots a_D}$$

Invariants  $U(N)^D$ , bubble diagrams

$$D = 3$$



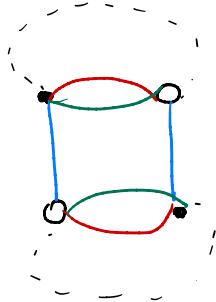
pattern  
of combi

$$\tilde{F}(\lambda_B) = \ln \int d\tau e^{-N^{D-1} \bar{T}, \tau} + \sum_B \frac{\lambda_B}{N^{\alpha(B)}} \text{Tr}_B (\bar{T}, \tau)$$

fix it to have a long exp<sup>o</sup>

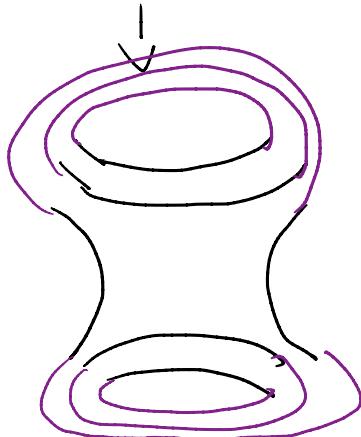
# Feynman graphs

Pairings with prop.  $\rightarrow$  dashed edge (color 0),



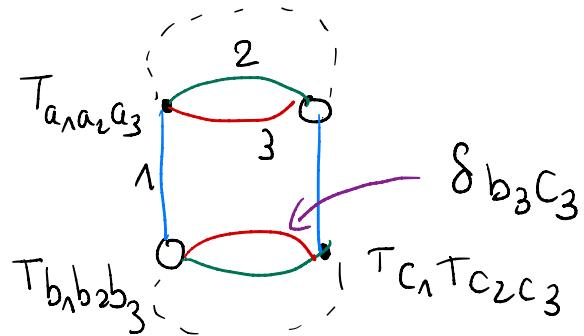
$$D=3 \quad \Rightarrow \cdots \otimes \quad \leftrightarrow \quad \begin{array}{c} \diagdown \\ \diagup \end{array}$$

dual to stranded representation



(similar to ribbon graphs for matrices).

# Scaling in N



Free sum for fans  
of color  $o_i$

$$\hookrightarrow \delta_{b_1 c_1} \delta_{b_2 c_2} \delta_{b_3 c_3}$$

$$\propto N^{-\sum f_{oi} - (D-1)\rho - \sum \alpha(B)}$$

# Jackets

$(D+1)$   
Colored graph + cyclic permutations  $\sigma$  on the colors  
(except 0)  
 $\Rightarrow$  combinatorial map  $J_\sigma$  called jacket,

$D!$  jackets

$\hookrightarrow$  have well-defined notion of genus -

# Gauss degree

$$\omega(G) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\sigma} g(J_\sigma)$$

positive integer (orientable surface),

$$\chi = V - E + F = 2 - 2g$$

$$\omega(G) = \frac{(D-1)!}{2} (D + \frac{D(D-1)p}{2} - F)$$

mb of prop.

K mb of faces

Proof: Take a jacket  $\mathcal{J}$ :  $|V_{\mathcal{J}}| = |V_G| = 2\rho$

$$|E_{\mathcal{J}}| = |E_G| = (\rho+1)\rho$$

$$\Rightarrow F_{\mathcal{J}} = 2 - 2g_{\mathcal{J}} + E - V = 2 - 2g_{\mathcal{J}} + (\rho-1)\rho$$

$G$  has  $\rho!$  jackets and each face belongs to  $2(\rho-1)!$  jackets  
(Face  $ij$  belongs to  $\mathcal{J}_{\sigma}$  if  $\sigma(i)=j$  or  $\sigma(j)=i$ )

$$\sum_{\mathcal{J}} \rightarrow 2(\rho-1)!F = 2\rho! - 4w(G) + \rho!(\rho-1)\rho$$

$$\Rightarrow w(G) = \frac{(\rho-1)!}{2} \left[ \rho - F + \frac{\rho(\rho-1)}{2}\rho \right]$$

# Large N expansion

$$F(\lambda_B) = \ln \int dT e^{N^{D-1} [-\bar{T}, T + \sum_B \lambda_B N^{\frac{2}{(D-2)!}} \text{Tr}_B (\bar{T}, T)]}$$

$$= \sum_{w \in \mathbb{N}} N^{D - \frac{2}{(D-1)!} w} F_w(\lambda_B)$$

Proof:

- $D-1 - \frac{2}{(D-2)!} w(B)$  per bubble .  $- (D-1)$  per prop.
- 1 per face of color  $\alpha$ .

$$\text{at } \alpha_N \in F_{\alpha} - \underbrace{\sum_B (D-1 - \frac{2}{(D-2)!} w(B))}_{D-1 - F_B} - \overbrace{(D-1)\rho}^{(D-1)(D-2)/2} P_B$$

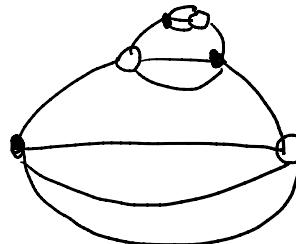
$$\alpha \in N^F - \frac{D(D-1)}{2} P \subset N^{D - \frac{2}{(D-1)!} w(g)}.$$

# Leading order

$$N^{D - \frac{2}{(D-1)!} w(G)} \rightarrow 0 : w(G) = 0$$

Theorem:  $G$  a  $(D+1)$ -colored graph  $w(G) = 0$   
iff  $G$  is melonic.

$$D=3$$



Melons

→ subset of planar diagrams -

→ not a topological invariant

# Random geometry applications

# Colored triangulations

$D$ -colored graph  $\rightarrow$  colored triangulation



$\rightarrow$  unambiguous identification  
of sub-simplices and gluing -

Feynman graph  $\leftrightarrow D+1$ -colored graph  $\rightarrow$  triangulation  
of  $\dim \underline{D}$

$\Rightarrow$  generalization of genus expansion of matrices -

$w=0$   $\rightarrow$  generate  $D$ -sphere

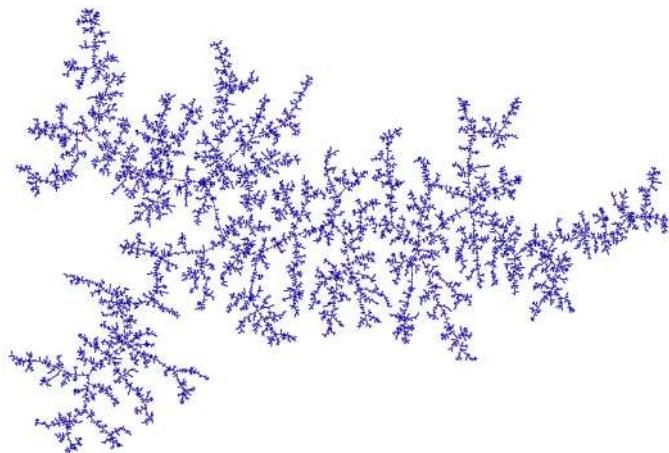
# Leading order

- special triangulation of the D-sphere.
  - ↳ tree-like combinatorial structure.
- Why? For each edge can or cannot insert a melon.
- Random trees → branched polymers  
continuous limit

# Branched polymers

$$d_{\text{spectral}} = 4/3$$

$$d_{\text{Hausdorff}} = 2$$



Credit: I. Kortchemski

[https://igor-kortchemski.perso.math.cnrs.fr/  
images.html](https://igor-kortchemski.perso.math.cnrs.fr/images.html)

# Further results

- Combinatorial class<sup>o</sup>  $\omega > 0$ , double-scaling
- App<sup>o</sup> to Group Field theory (Oriti).
- Beyond branched polymers  $\rightarrow$  open question

Summary . TM: well-defined generalizat<sup>o</sup> of matrix models

- Melonic large N limit.
- Dominated by branched polymers -
- No new universality class so far

what about in higher dim? QM models or QFTs.

### 3. Melonic CFTs

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- SYK-like model
- $O(N)^3$  bosonic tensor model

# Gurau - Witten model

1610.09758

SYK: QM model of  $N$  Majorana fermions strongly interacting.

↳ large  $N$  limit dominated by melons

↳ linked to quantum chaos, near extremal BH

↳ Pb: average over disorder

Gaussian var.

$$J_{a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4} \Psi_{a_1} \Psi_{a_2} \Psi_{a_3} \Psi_{a_4}.$$

Witten:  $S = \int dt \left( \frac{i}{2} \bar{\Psi}_{abc} \partial_t \Psi^{abc} + \frac{g}{4} \bar{\Psi}_{abc} \Psi^{ade} \Psi^{fbc} \Psi_g \right)$

→ same critical behavior as SYK model but no disorder

→ prompted numerous studies and extended to  $d$  dimension

# CTKT model

Carozza-Tamasa. Klebanov-Tarnopolsky.

CT: 1512.06718

KT: 1611.08915  
1707.03866 + Giombi

# Action

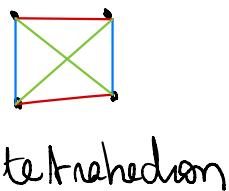
$D = 3$     $O(N)^3$  sym.  
bosons -

$$\varphi_{a_1 a_2 a_3} \rightarrow \varphi'{}^b_1 b_2 b_3 = O_1^{a_1}{}_{b_1} O_2^{a_2}{}_{b_2} O_3^{a_3}{}_{b_3} \varphi_{a_1 a_2 a_3}$$

$$S = \int d^d x \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \varphi_{abc} \partial^\mu \varphi_{abc} + S^{\text{int}}$$

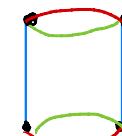
→ 3 possible bubbles.

$$S^{\text{int}} = \frac{\lambda}{4 N^{3/2}}$$



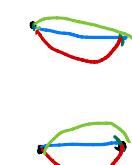
tetrahedron

$$+ \frac{\lambda_P}{4 N^2}$$



pillow

$$+ \frac{\lambda_d}{4 N^3}$$



double  
trace

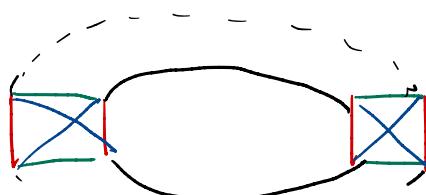
- int.: bubble diagrams 3-colored graphs.
- Feynman graphs: 4-colored graphs  
propagators dashed edges ----

- ↳ needed for scaling in  $N$
- ↳ shrink bubbles to a point, usual 4-valent Feynman graphs  $\rightarrow$  enough to compute integrals.

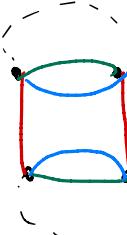
# Large N expansion

One factor  $N$  per face of color  $O_i$

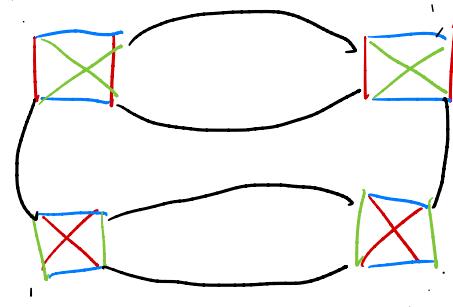
Pillow and d-t : radiative corrections from tetra



$\Leftarrow \Rightarrow$



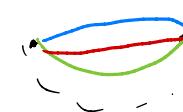
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$\Leftarrow \Rightarrow$



$\rightarrow$



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$G \rightarrow \hat{G}$  with only tetrahedrons -

$$t(\hat{G}) \propto N^{F_{oi}(\hat{G}) - \frac{3}{2} m_t(\hat{G})}$$

. 3 jackets by deleting color  $c$  of  $\hat{G}$   $x = 2 - g$

$$F(J^c) = E(J^c) - V(J^c) + 2 - g(J^c),$$

. 4-valent graph  $\rightarrow 4V = 2E$

. each face belongs to two jackets.

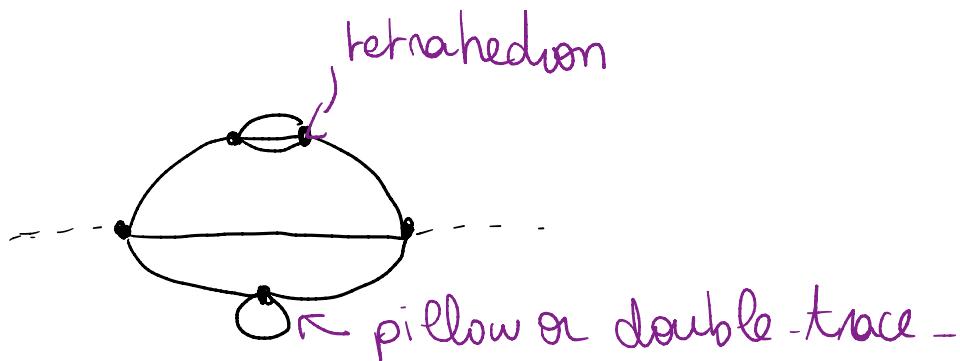
$$F_{oi}(\hat{G}) = \frac{3}{2} m_t(\hat{G}) + 3 - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \sum_c g(J^c)}_{\text{degree } \geq 0} \underbrace{w(\hat{G})}_{\text{half-integer}}$$

$$\Rightarrow N^{3-w(\hat{G})} \quad | \quad w(\hat{G}) = 0 \text{ iff} \\ \hat{G} \text{ is melonic -}$$

# Melon - tadpoles

LO : melons in terms of tetrahedral vertices

→ Back to original graph: melon - tadpole



# Divergences and renormalization scheme

quartic model  $\rightarrow$  same power counting as usual  $\varphi^4$ .

$\hookrightarrow d=4$       2pt fct<sup>o</sup> : power div.

4pt fct<sup>o</sup> : log div

$\geq 6$  pt : UV comv.

Dimensional regularization:  $d = 4 - \varepsilon$

Subtract at zero momentum, mass regulator  $\mu$ -

# SDE

$$G(p)^{-1} = \underbrace{C(p)^{-1}}_{p^2} - \varepsilon(p)$$

$$\varepsilon(p) = \lambda^2 \dots \text{decorated by the full } 2\text{-pt. fct.} - \lambda_p \quad \text{---} - \lambda_d \quad \text{---}$$

UV:  $G(p)^{-1} \sim p^2 \rightarrow$  free scaling

IR:  $G(p)^{-1} \sim p^{d/2} \rightarrow$  anomalous scaling

Neglect  $C(p)^{-1}$  in the IR, solve SDE  $G(p) = \frac{Z}{p^{d/2}}$

$\Rightarrow Z = \left( \frac{d/4 \Gamma(3d/4) (4\pi)^d}{\lambda^2 \Gamma(1-d/4)} \right)^{1/4}$

# 4-point function

Tetrahedron: at large  $N \rightarrow m$  radiative corrections.

Pillow, double-trace: bare expansion.

$$0 = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{ren. coupl.}}}{\bullet} - \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{bare one}}}{\bullet} - \lambda^2 \underset{\text{pillow}}{\bullet} - \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{ord-t}}}{\bullet} + \underset{\text{double trace}}{\bullet} + \underset{\text{double trace}}{\bullet} - \underset{\text{double trace}}{\bullet} - \underset{\text{double trace}}{\bullet}$$

Reparametrization:  $\lambda_1 = \frac{\lambda_D}{3}$  and  $\lambda_2 = \lambda_D + \lambda_P$

$\hookrightarrow$  orthogonal.

# Beta functions

$$g_1 = \mu^{-\varepsilon} Z^2 r^{(4,1)}(0,0,0,0), \quad g_2 = \mu^{-\varepsilon} Z^2 r^{(4,2)}(0,0,0,0)$$

$$\beta_{g_i} = \mu^2 \frac{d}{d\mu} g_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta_t = -\varepsilon g + 2g^3$$

$$\beta_1 = -\varepsilon g_1 + 2g^2 + 2g_1^2 - 2g^2 g_1$$

$$\beta_2 = -\varepsilon g_2 + 6g^2 + 2g_2^2 - 10g^2 g_2$$

# Fixed points

• Trivial sol

• Non-vanishing tetrahedron:  $g^* = \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon}{2}}$

$$\Rightarrow g_1^* = \pm i \sqrt{\frac{\varepsilon}{2}}$$

$$g_2^* = \pm i \sqrt{\frac{3\varepsilon}{2}}$$

$\rightarrow$  purely imaginary  $g_1, g_2 \rightarrow$  pb because of reflect positivity

$\rightarrow$  dimension of  $\Theta = \varphi_{abc} \varphi_{abc}$

$$\Delta_\Theta = \frac{1}{2} (2(d-2) + 2g_2^*) = 2 \pm i \sqrt{6\varepsilon} + \Theta(\varepsilon)$$

$\rightarrow$  unstable, non-unitary CFT.

# Long-range model

Based on:

1903.03578

2011.11276

1909.07767

2111.11792

2002.07652

# Action

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \int d^d x \varphi_{abc} (-\Delta)^g \varphi_{abc} + S^{\text{int}} \quad ) \text{ same as for CTKT model.}$$

→ long-range model.

$$0 < g < 1 \quad \begin{matrix} \leftarrow \text{preserve} \\ \uparrow \text{reflect positivity} \end{matrix}$$

well-defined  
thermodynamic  
limit

$$\text{Canonical dim}^\circ \text{ of the field} \quad \Delta \varphi = \frac{d - 2g}{2}$$

↳ quartic int<sup>o</sup> : irrelevant  $g < d/4 \rightarrow$  mean-field behavior  
 relevant  $g > d/4 \rightarrow C(p) = \frac{1}{pd!_2} \text{ IR scaling}$   
 marginal  $\boxed{g = d/4}$

# Power counting

for  $\mathcal{G} = \frac{d}{4}$        $d < 4$

→ 2pt: power div,    4pt: log div,     $\geq 6$ pt: UV convergent.

Dim reg: Fix  $d$ ,       $\mathcal{G} = \frac{d + \varepsilon}{4}$

Subtraction at zero momentum, regulator  $\mu$ .

# 2-point function

$$G(p)^{-1} = p^{2g} - \lambda^2 \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} + \lambda_p Q + \lambda_d Q$$



$g = d/4$  have same scaling

decorated by full 2pt. fct  
o in dim reg.

$$G(p) = \frac{z}{p^{d/2}} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{z^4} - \frac{1}{z^3} = \frac{\lambda^2}{(4\pi)^d} \frac{\Gamma(1-d/4)}{\frac{d}{4} \Gamma(3d/4)} \quad \begin{array}{l} d < 4 \\ \text{finite} \end{array}$$

$\Rightarrow$  No wave function renormalization.  
(finite rescaling).

# Beta functions

↳ no term from wave fct<sup>o</sup> renormalization -

$$\beta_t = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}\beta_1 &= + 2(g_1^2 + g^2) + 4\alpha_{S,0}g_1g^2 \\ \beta_2 &= + 2(g_2^2 + 3g^2) + 12\alpha_{S,0}g_2g^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \alpha_{S,0} \rightarrow \text{Diagram} \\ = 2\psi(d/4) - \psi(d/2) \\ - \psi(1). \end{array} \right]$$

→  $g$  free parameter .  $g = z^2 \lambda$

$$g_c^{-2} = \Gamma(1-d/4) \left[ (4\pi)^d \left(\frac{d}{4}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{3d}{4}\right) \right]^{-1} \Rightarrow z = 1 - \frac{g^2}{g_{c2}}$$

$\lambda$  real:  $\lambda(g)$  invertible to  $g(\lambda)$  for any  $\lambda$ ,  $z \xrightarrow[\lambda \rightarrow \infty]{} 0$

$\lambda$  purely imaginary:  $\lambda(g)$  invertible up to  $|g| < 3^{-1/2} g_c$ .  $Z$  bounded -

# Fixed points

$$g_1^* = \pm \sqrt{-g^2} - \alpha_{S,0} g^2 + O(g^3)$$

$$g_2^* = \pm \sqrt{3} \sqrt{-g^2} - 3g^2 \alpha_{S,0} + O(g^3).$$

$\rightarrow$  real :  $g_1^*, g_2^*$ . imaginary.

if purely imaginary :  $g_1^*, g_2^*$  real.

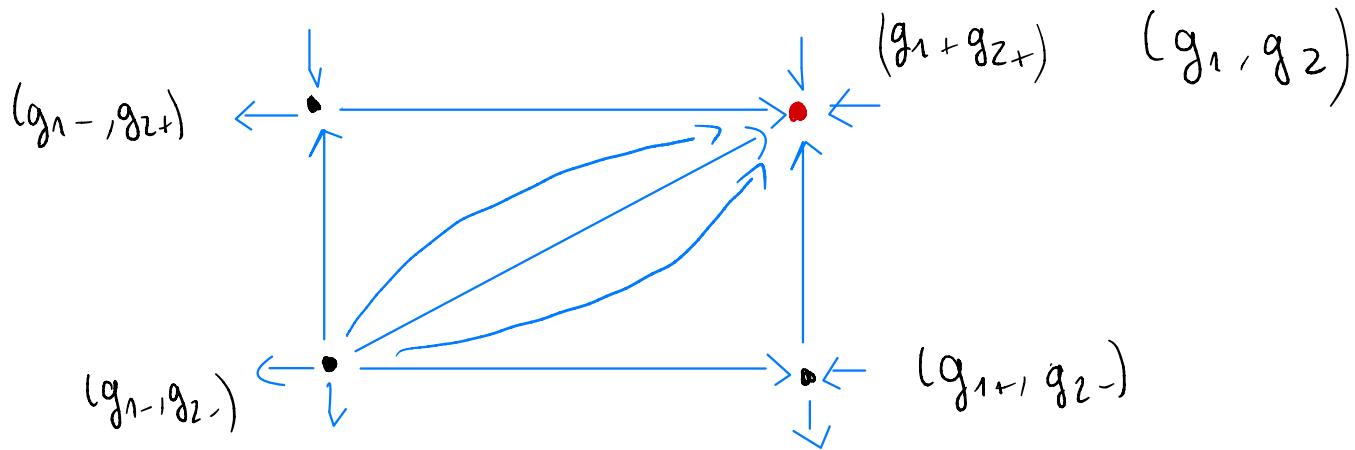
Four lines of fixed points.

# Critical exponents

→ triangular stability matrix

$$\begin{aligned}\partial \beta_1(g^*) &= \textcircled{\pm} 4\sqrt{-g^2} + O(g^3) \\ \partial \beta_2(g^*) &= \textcircled{\mp} 4\sqrt{-3g^2} + O(g^3)\end{aligned}\quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{real if } g \text{ purely imaginary.} \\ \text{real if } g \text{ real.} \end{array} \right.$$

→ one IR attractive stable FP.



# Non-perturbative result

Idea: claim 1N irreducible pieces.

3 types: pure ladders  $(\square \square, \square \square)$   $U(g) = g^2 \square + g^4 (\square \square) + \dots$

caps  $\begin{array}{c} \square \\ \swarrow \searrow \end{array} \square$   $S(g) = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 g^2 \langle \square \rangle + \dots$

double-caps  $\begin{array}{c} \square \\ \swarrow \searrow \\ \square \end{array}$   $T(g) = \lambda_1 \square + \lambda_2 g^2 \langle \square \rangle + \dots$

$$g_1 = -U(g) + \lambda_1 \frac{(1 + S(g))^2}{1 + \lambda_1 T(g)} \rightarrow \text{exact}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\beta_0} g_1 = \underline{\beta_0} g - 2\underline{\beta_1} g g_1 + \underline{\beta_2} g^2 g_1^2 \quad \text{quadratic in } g_1^2$$

series in  $g^2$ .

$\beta_0^g, \beta_1^g, \beta_2^g \rightarrow$  finite at all orders, sum is also finite  
(multi-scale analysis, Taylor sub<sup>o</sup> operator).

$\Rightarrow$  Lines of FP: non-perturbative.

$\hookrightarrow$  stable FP  $\rightarrow$  strongly-coupled FP.

# Unitarity?

$$\Psi_1(x_1) \Psi_2(x_2) = \sum_{\text{primary}} \overbrace{c_g}^{\text{oPE weff.}} \xrightarrow{g}$$

4pt function CFT

$$\langle \varphi \varphi \varphi \varphi \rangle = \langle \varphi \varphi \rangle \langle \varphi \varphi \rangle + \sum_J \int_{\frac{d}{2}-i\infty}^{\frac{d}{2}+i\infty} \frac{dh}{2\pi i} \frac{1}{1-R(h,J)} \underbrace{u(h,J)}_{\text{measure}} G_{h,J}^{\Delta\varphi}(x_i)$$

conformal block

eigenvalues of the 4pt kernel.

Deform the contour and pick up poles.

→ only contributing poles  $h_{m,J}$  s.t.  $R(h_{m,J}, J) = 1$

↪ dim° of bilinears

↪ residue at these poles are  $C_{m,J}^2$ : square of the oPE coeff.

Kernel is known in the large N limit.

$$K = -\lambda_p \rightarrow -\lambda_d \rightarrow +3\lambda^2 \boxed{0}$$

↳ diagonalized by the 3pt functions.

→ Dim<sup>o</sup> of bilinears :  $h_0 \pm = \frac{d}{2} \pm \alpha_0 \sqrt{|g^2|} + \mathcal{O}(g^3)$

$$h_m = \frac{d}{2} + 2m + \alpha_m g^2 + \mathcal{O}(g^3)$$

→ g purely imaginary : real dimensions.

→ Real OPE coeff.

# Further work

NLO ?  $O(N^3)$ .

SR ?

• small  $N$

• vector-like large  $N$

• matrix-like

$\nearrow$   $\searrow$

$O(N_1) \times O(N_2) \times O(N_3)$

} no FP  
with non  
zero  
tetrahedral  
coupling.

Short-range model: NLO  $\rightarrow$  critical exp acquire a real part  
 $\rightarrow$  true stable FP.

Long-range model: NLO  $\rightarrow$  critical exp get complex const.  
 $\rightarrow$  breaking unitarity at NLO.

# F-theorem

- generalization in  $d=3$  of the c-theorem, a theorem
  - ( $d=2$ )
  - ( $d=4$ )
- sphere free energy decrease along the RG flow.
- $(\Delta)^3$  on the sphere?
- is satisfied for the long-range  $O(N)^3$  model.
  - ↪ perturbatively as a reversal of sign of a coupling const.
- ⇒ More hints of unitarity at large N-

# Other models

Model	Sym.	d	FP	Stable	Unitary	NLO
CTKT <sup>1</sup>	$O(N)^3$	$4 - \epsilon$	Complex	✗	✗	stable FP
BGHS <sup>2</sup>	$O(N)^3$	$d < 4$	Real	✓	✓	Non-unitary
Prismatic <sup>3</sup>	$O(N)^3$	$3 - \epsilon$	Real	✓	✓	✓
Sextic <sup>4</sup>	$U(N)^3$	$3 - \epsilon$	Real	✓	✗	?
Sextic <sup>4</sup>	$U(N)^3$	$d < 3$	Real	✓	?	?
Rank 5 <sup>4</sup>	$O(N)^5$	$3 - \epsilon$	Trivial	-	-	-

<sup>1</sup>[Carrozza, Tanasa, Klebanov, Tarnopolsky, Giombi,...] <sup>2</sup>[Benedetti, Gurau, SH, Suzuki]

<sup>3</sup>[Giombi, Klebanov, Popov, Prakash, Tarnopolsky] <sup>4</sup>[Benedetti, Delporte, SH, Sinha]

Sextic (mt)       $U(N)^3$        $O(N)^5$

- SR: two stable FP → NLO still exist.
- LR: line of FP → monopoles
- SR/LR: gaussian FP → rank imp. parameter

- supersymmetric models (Popov, lettera Vichi)
- Fermionic models (Prakash, Simha).
- Tensorial Gross-Neveu (Benedetti, Camozza, Guan, Sfondrini, Delprete),
- Multi-matrix (Ferrari, Rivasseau, Tamasa, Tomomi, Valette),

# Conclusion

Tensor models for strongly-coupled QFTs:

- Third family of large  $N$  theories, both rich and tractable.
- Can reproduce SYK-like physics without disorder.
- New family of CFTs "melonic CFTs" that can be studied analytically.
  - ↳ LR  $O(N)^3$ , unitary at large  $N$ .
- Allows us to test properties of QFT in rigorous set ups → F-theorem.

## Open questions:

- Higher order int<sup>o</sup> : can we find similar FP ?
- Diag. sym. : rank 3, 5, sym. traceless tensors  
anti-sym
  - ↳ what about QFT based on this model?
- What about the AdS dual?
  - ↳ Nello-Koch
  - ↳ Hard question : factorial growth of the invariant