

Gross-Neveu-Yukawa model at five loops



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recent work with John Gracey, Andreas Maier, Peter Marquard
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and earlier work with
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Motivation

- LHC: era of precision QFT
 - ▷ large SM backgrounds
 - ▷ dominant effects: mainly QCD
 - ▷ high precision required for BSM searches
- theory working horse: renormalizable QFTs
 - ▷ perturbative expansions $\Rightarrow$ Feynman diagrams
 - ▷ higher-loop effects important (e.g. $g_\mu - 2$; m_q ; H production; ...)
- lots of machinery developed recently
 - ▷ high automatization of complicated perturbative calculations
 - ▷ algebraic handling of Feynman diagrams
 - ▷ reduction of Feynman integrals to masters
 - ▷ numerical and/or algebraic determination of masters
 - ▷ renormalization (of QCD) under control at 5 loops

Motivation

- idea: recycling
 - ▷ apply same techniques to other (than SM and QCD) models
 - ▷ important applications e.g. in CM theory [see talk by Vladimir Juricic]
 - ▷ consider interacting Dirac fermions ψ in 2+1 dimensions
 - ▷ undergo variety of quantum phase trans (QPTs) towards ordered states
 - ▷ with different symm breaking patterns
- general universal critical behavior $\Leftrightarrow$ class of relativistic GNY models
 - ▷ models emerge as low-energy EFTs in CM
 - ▷ but: strongly coupled systems in D=2+1!
 - ▷ order parms $\Leftrightarrow$ bosonic fields ϕ (with corresponding nr of components + symms)
 - ▷ Yukawa coupling between ψ and ϕ
- captured by universal critical exponents
 - ▷ near cont phase trans, free energy exhibits scaling form
 - ▷ specific heat / corr length have power-law behavior
 - ▷ characterized by universal critical exponents
 - ▷ e.g. thermal PT: $\xi \sim |t|^{-\nu} (1 + c|t|^\omega + \dots)$ at 'distance' $t = (T - T_c)/T_c$
 - ▷ ν, ω universal; depend on symm and dimensionality $\Rightarrow$ def univ class

Motivation

- describe quantum critical points of interacting Dirac semimetals
 - ▷ N flavors of chiral Dirac fermions [main interest $N=2$, graphene]
 - ▷ chiral Ising model [$\phi \in \mathbb{R}$, with $\mathbb{Z}_2$ symm]
 - ▷ chiral XY model [U(1) breaking, $\phi \in \mathbb{C}$]
 - ▷ chiral Heisenberg model [SU(2) breaking, $\phi \in \mathbb{R}^3$]
- different models argued to describe certain QPTs in graphene ($N=2$)
 - ▷ QCP of semimetal-insulator trans in graphene
 - ▷ but also: $N=1$, semimetal-insulator trans in system of spinless fer on hex lattice
 - ▷ emergent SuSy (topological insulators, $N=1/2$ or $1/4$)
 - ▷ replica limit ($N \rightarrow 0$) for PT in Weyl semimetals

Setup

- Gross-Neveu model (for reference only)

$$\mathcal{L}_{GN} = \bar{\psi}\not{\partial}\psi + g\phi\bar{\psi}\psi + \frac{1}{2}\phi^2$$

- ▷ ϕ not dynamic; int out $\Rightarrow$ 4-fermion coupling $\sim g^2$
- ▷ renormalizable in $D = 2 + \epsilon$, asymptotically free
- ▷ known to 4 loops

[Gracey/Luthe/YS 2016]

- Gross-Neveu-Yukawa model (chiral Ising; $\phi \in \mathbb{R}$)

$$\mathcal{L}_{GNY} = \bar{\psi}\not{\partial}\psi + g\phi\bar{\psi}\psi + \frac{1}{2}\phi(m^2 - \partial_\mu^2)\phi + \lambda\phi^4$$

- ▷ same univ class as GN for $2 < D < 4$
- ▷ renormalizable in $D = 4 - \epsilon$
- ▷ analyzed at 4 loops
- ▷ now known to 5 loops

[Zerf/Mihaila/Marquard/Herbut/Scherer 2017]

[Gracey/Maier/Marquard/YS 2025]

Renormalization

- $\psi_0 = \sqrt{Z_\psi} \psi_R$, $\phi_0 = \sqrt{Z_\phi} \phi_R$, etc.

$$\mathcal{L}_{GNY,R} = Z_\psi \bar{\psi} \not{\partial} \psi + Z_{\phi \bar{\psi} \psi} \mu^{\frac{\epsilon}{2}} g \phi \bar{\psi} \psi + \frac{1}{2} \phi (Z_{\phi^2} m^2 - Z_\phi \partial_\mu^2) \phi + Z_{\phi^4} \mu^\epsilon \lambda \phi^4$$

- ▷ rename squared Yukawa coupling $g^2 \equiv y$
- ▷ RG scale (μ) dep follows from μ -independence of bare params

$$y = y_0 \mu^{-\epsilon} Z_\psi^2 Z_\phi Z_{\phi \bar{\psi} \psi}^{-2} , \quad \lambda = \lambda_0 \mu^{-\epsilon} Z_\phi^2 Z_{\phi^4}^{-1} , \quad m^2 = m_0^2 \mu^{-\epsilon} Z_\phi Z_{\phi^2}^{-1}$$

- evaluate all five RG constants $Z_x(y, \lambda)$: absorb divergences in dim reg, $\overline{\text{MS}}$
 - ▷ *QGRAF*: generate diags
 - ▷ *FORM*: Fey rules, Lorentz algebra, spinor traces, **project** onto 1-scale massive tadpoles
 - ▷ *Mathematica*: identify topologies, mapping to common family
 - ▷ *C++*: IBP reduction, Laporta algorithm, **mapping** onto master integrals
 - ▷ *C++*: solve difference equations for masters, **evaluate** numerically
 - ▷ *Mathematica*: plug in numerical masters, identify transcendental content

Renormalization techniques

- project all Feynman integrals onto common family of scalar massive vacuum integrals

▷ exact decomposition of propagators ($m \in \{0, m, M\}$)

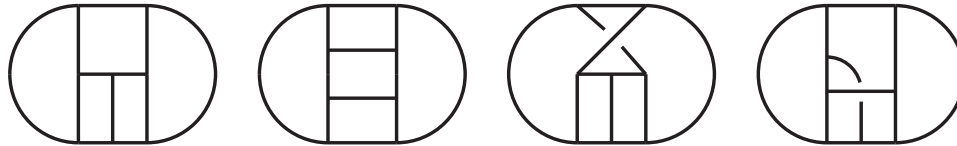
[Chetyrkin/Misiak/Münz 1998]

$$\triangleright \frac{1}{(k-p)^2+m^2} = \frac{1}{k^2+M^2} + \frac{2kp-p^2+M^2-m^2}{(k^2+M^2)((k-p)^2+m^2)}$$

▷ recursively lower degree of UV div

▷ other IR regularization schemes: e.g. (local/global) R^*

[Chetyrkin 1984]



- map all integrals to minimal set: IBP

[Chetyrkin/Tkachov 1981; Laporta 2000]

▷ systematically use linear rels $0 = \int d^d k \partial_{k_\mu} f_\mu(k)$

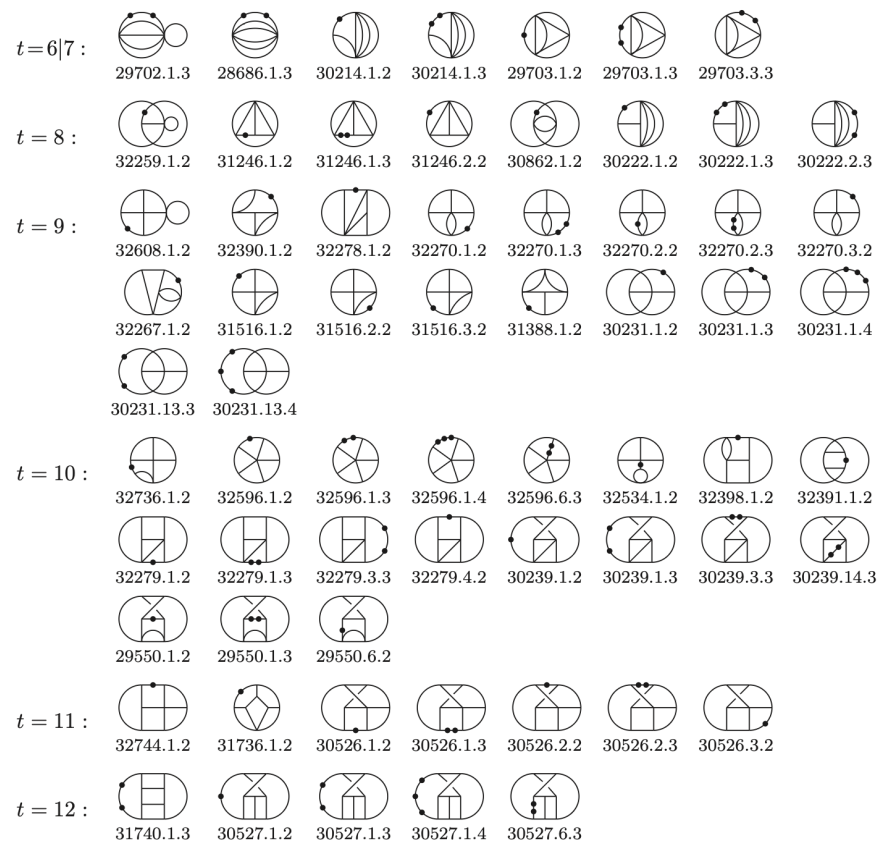
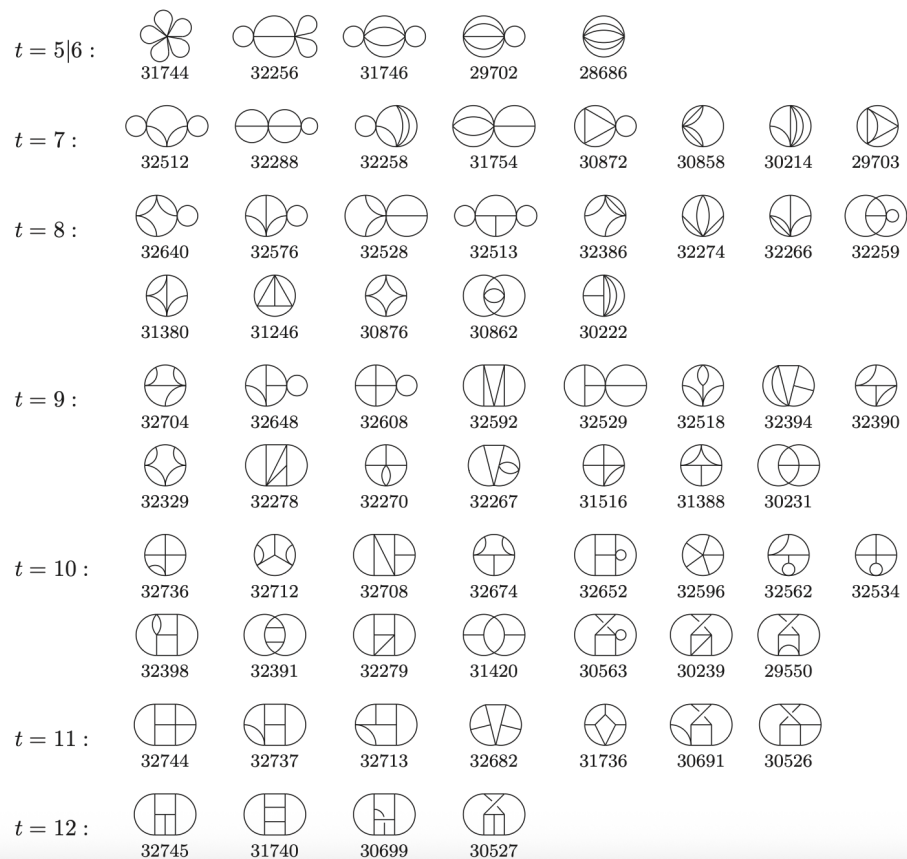
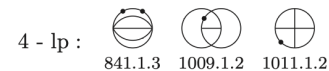
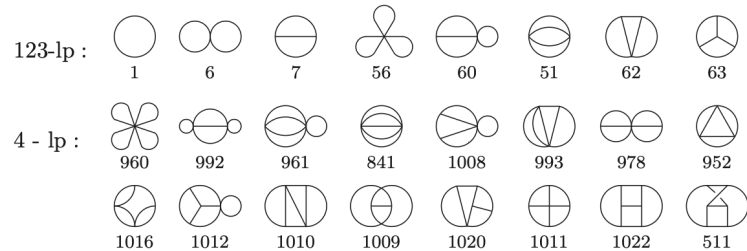
▷ key idea: lexicographic ordering among all loop integrals

[Laporta 2000]

▷ arrive at rep in terms of irreducible ($\equiv$ master) integrals: $\sum_i \text{rat}_i(d) \text{Master}_i(d)$

▷ obtain 1+1+3+13+110 masters at 12345-loop

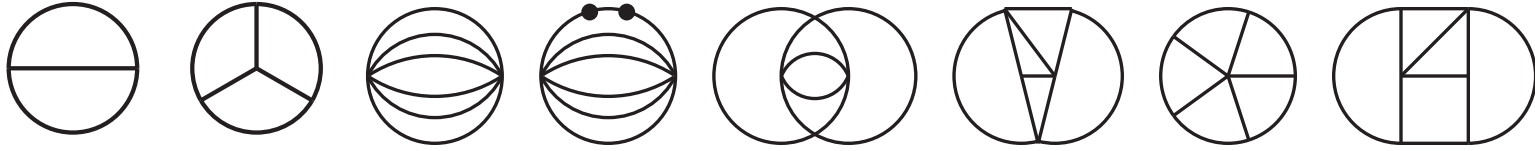
Single-scale master integrals to 5 loops



Integral evaluation

- evaluate this minimal set of single-scale master integrals
 - ▷ numerical solution of difference equations via factorial series [Laporta 2000]
 - ▷ perform IBP reduction with symbolic power $\boldsymbol{x}$ on one line
 - ▷ derive difference equation for generalized master $I(\boldsymbol{x}) \equiv \int \frac{1}{D_1^{\boldsymbol{x}} D_2 \dots D_N}$
 - ▷ generic form: $\sum_{j=0}^R p_j(\boldsymbol{x}) I(\boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{j}) = F(\boldsymbol{x})$
- typically, want $I(1)$; solve the difference equation
 - ▷ explicitly (e.g. if 1st order; or if soln nested sum)
 - ▷ numerically (very general setup) [Laporta 2000]
 - ▷ solve via factorial series $I(x) = I_0(x) + \sum_{j=1}^R I_j(x)$,
 - ▷ where $I_j(x) = \mu_j^x \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} a_j(s) \frac{\Gamma(x+1)}{\Gamma(x+1+s-K_j)}$
 - ▷ need boundary condition for fixing, say, $a_j(0)$: use decoupling at large x
 - ▷ $I(x) = \int_{k_1} g(k_1)/(k_1^2 + 1)^x \Rightarrow I(x) \sim (1)^x x^{-d/2} g(0)$
- deep expansions (ϵ^{20}) at 5 loops (132 masters) at high precision (>250 digits) [with Luthe 2016]

Sample results (4d)



$$I_{28686.1.1} = +(-3) \epsilon^0 + \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) \epsilon^1 + \left(\frac{13}{24}\right) \epsilon^2 + \left(-\frac{1267}{1440}\right) \epsilon^3 + \left(-\frac{4193}{3456}\right) \epsilon^4 + \\ + 135.95072868792871461956492733702218574897992953584 \epsilon^5 + \dots$$

$$I_{28686.1.3} = +(0) \epsilon^0 + \left(\frac{3}{2}\right) \epsilon^1 + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \epsilon^2 + \left(-\frac{443}{360}\right) \epsilon^3 + \left(\frac{95}{216}\right) \epsilon^4 + \\ - 38.292059175062436961881799538284449799148385376441 \epsilon^5 + \dots$$

$$I_{30862.1.1} = +\left(-\frac{3}{5}\right) \epsilon^0 + \left(-\frac{27}{10}\right) \epsilon^1 + \left(-\frac{4\zeta_3}{5} - \frac{421}{60}\right) \epsilon^2 + \left(-\frac{12\zeta_2^2}{25} + \frac{24\zeta_3}{5} + \frac{211}{24}\right) \epsilon^3 + \left(\frac{72\zeta_2^2}{25} - 98\zeta_3 + \frac{32\zeta_5}{5} + \frac{12959}{48}\right) \epsilon^4 + \\ + 1143.1838307558764599466030303839590323268318605888 \epsilon^5 + \dots$$

$$I_{30231.1.1} = +(0) \epsilon^0 + (0) \epsilon^1 + \left(\frac{3\zeta_3}{5}\right) \epsilon^2 + \left(\frac{9\zeta_2^2}{25} + \frac{21\zeta_3}{5} + 3\zeta_5\right) \epsilon^3 + \left(-36H_2\zeta_3 + \frac{12\zeta_2^3}{7} + \frac{63\zeta_2^2}{25} - \frac{21\zeta_3^2}{5} + 27\zeta_3 - \frac{24\zeta_5}{5}\right) \epsilon^4 + \\ - 531.32391547725635267943444561495368318398901378435 \epsilon^5 + \dots$$

$$I_{32596.1.1} = +(0) \epsilon^0 + (0) \epsilon^1 + (0) \epsilon^2 + (0) \epsilon^3 + (-14\zeta_7) \epsilon^4 + \text{[Wheel: Broadhurst 1985]} \\ + 235.07729596783467131454388080950411779239347239580 \epsilon^5 + \dots$$

$$I_{32279.3.1} = +(0) \epsilon^0 + (0) \epsilon^1 + (0) \epsilon^2 + (0) \epsilon^3 + \left(-\frac{441\zeta_7}{40}\right) \epsilon^4 + \text{[Zigzag: Broadhurst/Kreimer 1995; Brown/Schnetz 2012]} \\ + 181.78223928612340820790788236018642961198741994209 \epsilon^5 + \dots$$

Beta functions, anomalous dimensions, critical exponents

- procedure outlined above gives all five RG constants $Z_x(y, \lambda)$, analytically, to 5 loops
- extract beta functions of couplings ($x \in \{y, \lambda\}$)

$$\beta_x \equiv \partial_{\ln(\mu)} x = -\epsilon x + \sum_{L=1}^5 \beta_x^{(L)}(y, \lambda) + \dots$$

- extract anomalous dimensions ($x \in \{\psi, \phi, \phi^2\}$)

$$\gamma_x \equiv \partial_{\ln(\mu)} Z_x = \sum_{L=1}^5 \gamma_x^{(L)}(y, \lambda) + \dots$$

- extract RG fixed points from $\beta_x(y_*, \lambda_*) = 0$
 - ▷ get FPs as series in ϵ , 5 orders
 - ▷ choose the stable positive non-Gaussian (Wilson-Fisher) FP
- substitute FP into anom dims to get critical exponents
 - ▷ $\eta_x \equiv \gamma_x(y_*, \lambda_*)$ for $x \in \{\psi, \phi, \phi^2\}$; trade the latter for $\frac{1}{\nu} \equiv 2 - \eta_\phi + \eta_{\phi^2}$
 - ▷ successfully checked vs all-order large- N results

[Gracey 91-94; Vasiliev et al. 93]

Analysis: Graphene case $N = 2$

- aim: from $4-\epsilon$ results for $\{\eta_\psi, \eta_\phi, \frac{1}{\nu}\}$, provide refined estimates for critical exponents, in 3d
 - ▷ naively setting $\epsilon = 1$ is problematic: questionable convergence ($\epsilon^1 \sim \epsilon^5$)
- employ resummation techniques
 - ▷ canonical Padé approximants $P_{[M,L-M]}(d) = (\sum_p a_p d^p) / (1 + \sum_q b_q d^q)$
(need to ensure continuity $4 \rightarrow 3$)
 - ▷ add info from our 2016 4-loop $2+\epsilon$ GN [idea: Mihaila/Scherer 18]
 - ▷ two-sided diagonal $[L/L+1]$ and $[L+1/L]$ Padé approximants
 - ▷ interpolating polynomial $I_{[L,L+1]}(d) = \sum_m \eta_m^{(2d)} (d-2)^m + \sum_{n>m} c_n^{(4d)} (d-2)^n$
(note: no singularities, unlike Padé)
- evaluate reliability of 3d predictions $P(3)$ and $I(3)$
 - ▷ compare with other methods
 - ▷ repeat the exercise for different N

Analysis: Graphene case $N = 2$

TABLE II. Summary of previous exponent estimates for $N = 2$.

Method and source	η_ψ	η_ϕ	$1/\nu$
Large N [17,31–36]	0.044	0.743	0.952
Monte Carlo [17]		0.754(8)	1.00(4)
Monte Carlo [18]	0.38(1)	0.62(1)	1.20(1)
Functional renormalization group [25]	0.032	0.760	0.982
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Functional renormalization group [26]	0.0276	0.7765	0.994(2)
Four-loop $d = 2$ naive Padé [37]	0.082	0.745	0.931
Three-loop $d = 4$ naive Padé [38]	0.0740	0.672	1.048
Conformal bootstrap [28]	0.044	0.742	0.880
Monte Carlo [20]		0.65(3)	1.2(1)
Monte Carlo [21]		0.54(6)	1.14(2)
Four-loop $d = 4$ naive Padé [39]	0.0539	0.7079	0.931
Four-loop $d = 4$ naive Padé [39]	0.0506	0.6906	0.945
Four-loop two-sided Padé [40]	0.042	0.735	1.004
Four-loop interpolating polynomial [40]	0.043	0.731	0.982
Four-loop Padé-Borel [40]	0.043(12)	0.704(15)	0.993(27)
Monte Carlo [22]	0.05(2)	0.59(2)	1.0(1)
Conformal bootstrap [29]	0.04238(11)	0.7329(27)	0.998(12)
Monte Carlo [24]	0.043(12)	0.72(6)	1.07(12)
Conformal bootstrap [30]		0.7339(26)	0.998(12)
Functional renormalization group [27]	0.032	0.760	0.982

▷ in chronological order, 1991 – 2025

▷ highest precision to date: conformal bootstrap

[Poland et al. 23/24]

Analysis: Graphene case $N = 2$

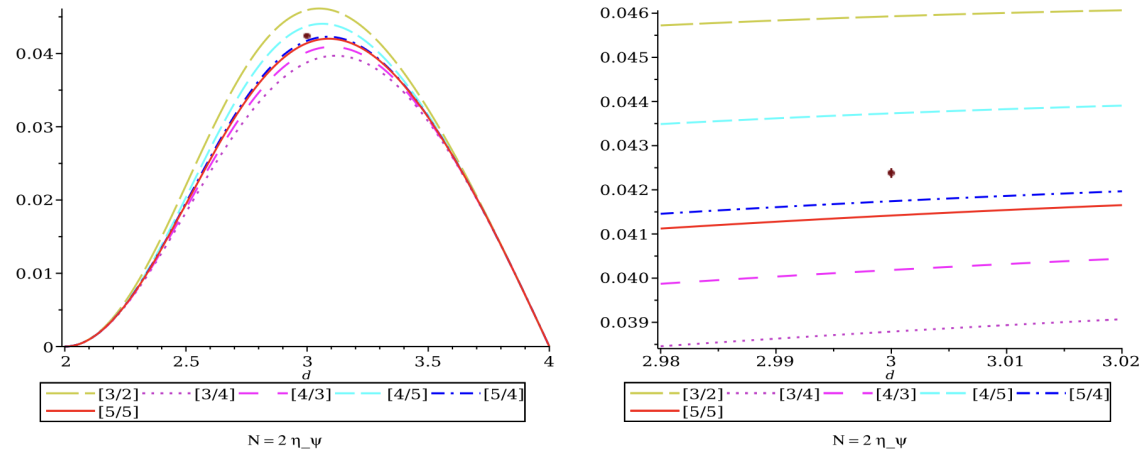


FIG. 2. Two-sided Padé approximants for η_ψ with $N = 2$ in $2 \leq d \leq 4$ (left panel) and $2.98 \leq d \leq 3.02$ (right panel).

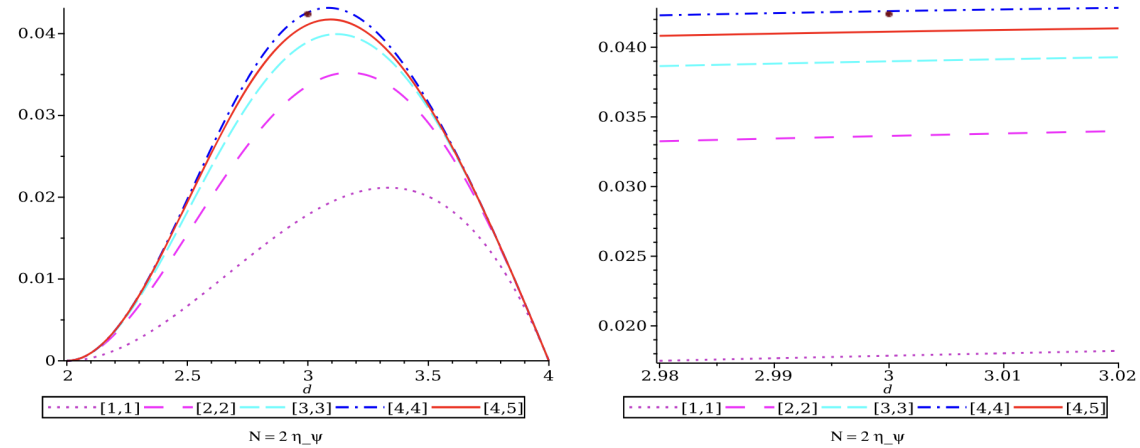


FIG. 5. Interpolating polynomials for η_ψ with $N = 2$ in $2 \leq d \leq 4$ (left panel) and $2.98 \leq d \leq 3.02$ (right panel).

▷ similar patterns for η_ϕ and $\frac{1}{\nu}$, and other $N \Rightarrow$ motivation for 5-loop GN?

Conclusions

- recent advance in methods allows high-loop renormalization of quantum field theories
 - ▷ highly automated computer-algebra approaches
 - ▷ improved IBP algorithms (finite fields, ...)
 - ▷ new insight into functional content of Feynman integrals
- difference equations (+ lots of CPU) are powerful enough to achieve 5 loops
 - ▷ non-trivial algorithmic fine-tuning
 - ▷ more? memory seems to become an issue
- applications to a host of QFTs in various fields
 - ▷ phenomenology / QCD+SM
 - ▷ mathematical physics/ SUSY
 - ▷ CM theory / effective models / universality classes
 - ▷ $\Rightarrow$ consistent exponents for graphene from ϵ -exp, large N, FRG and MC
- applications in various space-time dimensions
 - ▷ 2d, 3d, 4d, ..., fractional, ...

Fractional dimensions

- difference eqs carry full information on d
 - ▷ expand massive tadpoles e.g. around $d = \frac{10}{3} - 2\epsilon$
- motivation: renormalization in critical dimension (where $[g]=0$)
 - ▷ e.g. O(N) scalar ϕ^n theory: $\partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi + g \phi^n$ [Gracey 2017]
 - ▷ critical dim $D_n = \frac{2n}{n-2} \Rightarrow D_{\{3,4,5,6,7,\dots,\infty\}} = \{6, 4, \frac{10}{3}, 3, \frac{14}{5}, \dots, 2\}$
 - ▷ near FP (nontriv zero of Beta fct), RG fcts carry info on phase transitions
- study RG fcts in non-integer dimensions
 - ▷ renormalization 'as usual', dim. reg. natural (angular ints?!)
 - ▷ fewer diagrams (e.g. ϕ^5 : LO 2pt diag has 3 loops)
 - ▷ numbers: $\frac{p}{q} \rightarrow \Gamma(\frac{p}{q})$ at LO; $\zeta(s) \rightarrow$ Dirichlet β fct at NLO ($\in$ HPL(i)) [Hager 2002]
- sample results in $d = \frac{10}{3} - 2\epsilon$ [with Luthe]
 - ▷ as usual we normalize by $1/J^{loop}$; here, $J \sim \Gamma(1 - \frac{d}{2}) = -\frac{3}{2}\Gamma(\frac{1}{3}) + \dots$
 - ▷ 2-loop sunset = $-2.4882241714632542542 \epsilon^0 - 8.6116306893649818141 \epsilon^1 + \dots$
 - ▷ 3-loop merc. = $-0.0305966721641989027 \epsilon^0 + 0.0149523122719722312 \epsilon^1 + \dots$
 - ▷ 4-loop non-pl = $+0.0006880032418228675 \epsilon^0 + 0.0023853718027957011 \epsilon^1 + \dots$
 - ▷ etc.