

# Towards UV-completing supersymmetric extensions of the Standard Model

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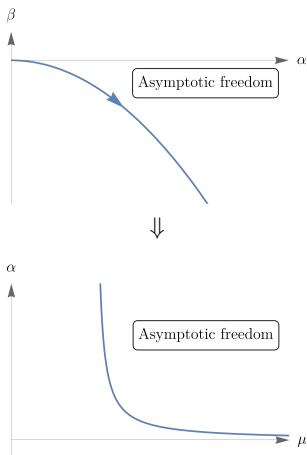
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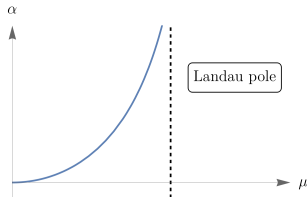
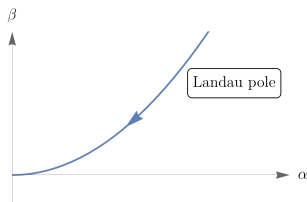
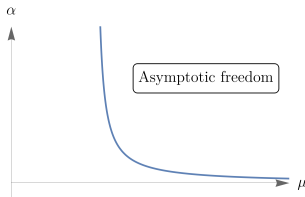
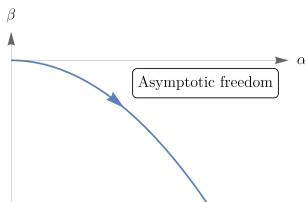
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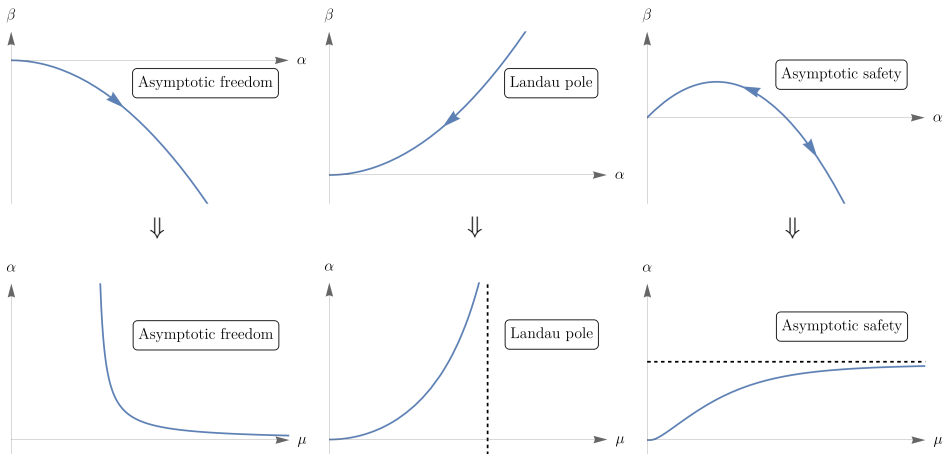
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First instance of AS in 4D matter theories without gravity: [Litim and Sannino, 2014].  
Various results followed:

## Non-supersymmetric theories:

- General theorems on asymptotic safety of scalar-fermion-gauge theories, e.g. [Bond and Litim, 2017b].
- Two-loop analysis of FPs and phase diagrams [Bond and Litim, 2018].
- Valuable for model-building applications addressing BSM phenomenology<sup>a</sup>.

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<sup>a</sup>e.g. [Bause et al., 2022; Bißmann et al., 2021; Hiller et al., 2019a,b, 2020; Kowalska et al., 2017]

## Supersymmetric theories:

- First perturbative results ensuring AS: [Bond and Litim, 2017a].
- First exact conformal windows of interacting ultraviolet FP [Bond and Litim, 2022].
- Steps towards UV-completing extensions of the MSSM, e.g. [Hiller et al., 2022]

# Why supersymmetry?

- New way of considering supersymmetry, from asymptotic safety:
  - physically motivated: UV completion beyond asymptotic freedom.
  - highly predictive and falsifiable.
- Theoretical framework advantages:<sup>1</sup>
  - Exact theorems constraining physical theories,
  - Infinite-order beta functions,
  - Uniqueness of fixed points, etc.

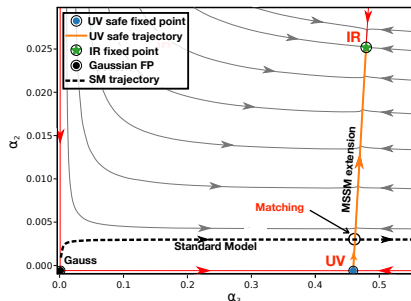


Fig. 1: Matching at LO of UV-complete supersymmetric theory with the SM. Extracted from [Hiller et al., 2022]

<sup>1</sup>[Intriligator and Wecht, 2003; Novikov et al., 1983; Seiberg, 1995] and more

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- Asymptotic safety of SYM theories requires semi-simple gauge groups and Yukawa couplings [Bond and Litim, 2017b; Hiller et al., 2022].
- Consider semi-simple ( $\mathcal{N} = 1$ ) super-Yang–Mills theories with gauge group  $SU(N_1) \times SU(N_2)$  with couplings  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$ .
- Matter content: chiral superfields  $(\psi, \Psi, \chi, Q)$  with flavour multiplicities  $(N_F, N_\Psi, N_F, N_Q)$  charged according to

| Chiral superfields | $\psi_L$             | $\psi_R$  | $\Psi_L$  | $\Psi_R$             | $\chi_L$             | $\chi_R$  | $Q_L$                | $Q_R$     |
|--------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|
| $SU(N_1)$          | $\overline{\square}$ | $\square$ | $\square$ | $\overline{\square}$ | 1                    | 1         | 1                    | 1         |
| $SU(N_2)$          | 1                    | 1         | $\square$ | $\overline{\square}$ | $\overline{\square}$ | $\square$ | $\overline{\square}$ | $\square$ |
| multiplicity       | $N_F$                | $N_F$     | $N_\Psi$  | $N_\Psi$             | $N_F$                | $N_F$     | $N_Q$                | $N_Q$     |

Fig. 2: Chiral superfields and their gauge charges and flavour multiplicities.

- Interaction given by Yukawa superpotential  $W[\psi, \Psi, \chi]$  such that  $W = y \text{Tr}[\psi_L \Psi_L \chi_L + \psi_R \Psi_R \chi_R]$ .

# Fixed-point (FP) structure of the theory

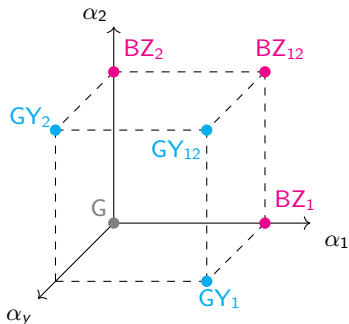


Fig. 3: Illustration of the 7 fixed points that may show up in such theories:

- the free Gaussian (G) FP, in gray,
- the 3 interacting Banks-Zaks (BZ) FPs, in magenta, and
- the 3 interacting gauge-Yukawa (GY) FPs, in cyan.

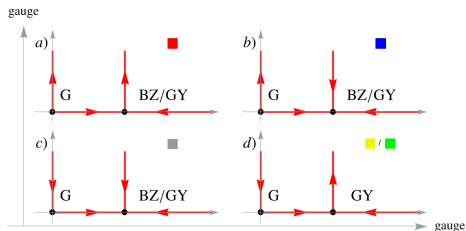


Fig. 4: Schematic flow diagrams for the gauge couplings in all scenarios:

- a) and b) represent asymptotically free theories,
- c) represents effective theories, and
- d) represents potentially asymptotically safe theories.

- Theory characterized by field multiplicities  $(N_1, N_2, N_F, N_Q, N_\Psi)$ .

- $\beta_i$  and  $\gamma_i$  can be rewritten in terms of  $(R, \epsilon, P, N_\Psi)$ , where

$$R := \frac{N_2}{N_1}, \quad \epsilon := \text{one-loop coeff. of } \beta_1, \quad \text{and} \quad P := \frac{\text{one-loop coeff. of } \beta_2}{\text{one-loop coeff. of } \beta_1}. \quad (1)$$

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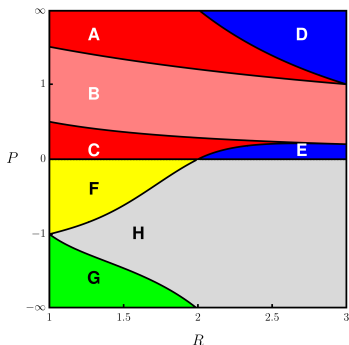
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- Positivity of  $(N_1, N_2, N_F, N_Q)$  impose  $0 \lesssim R \lesssim 3$  (depending on  $\epsilon$  and  $P$ ).
- Large- $N$  Veneziano limit:  $(R, \epsilon, P)$  become continuous. In the strictly perturbative  $|\epsilon|, |P\epsilon| \ll 1$  limit, constraints reduce to

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# Regions of existence and relevancy of FPs at LO



| case | region | eps | complete asymptotic freedom<br>( $\text{eps} < 0, P > 0$ ) |      |      |      |      |      |      | UV   | IR  |
|------|--------|-----|------------------------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|
|      |        |     | G                                                          | BZ1  | BZ2  | BZ12 | GY1  | GY2  | GY12 | 0    | y   |
| 1    | A      | -   | 1---                                                       | 2--- | 3++  |      | 5+++ | 6--- | 7+++ | 1 AF | 3 7 |
| 2    | B      | -   | 1---                                                       | 2--- | 3--- | 4--- | 5--- | 6--- | 7+++ | 1 AF | 4 7 |
| 3    | C      | -   | 1---                                                       | 2++  | 3--- |      | 5--- | 6--- | 7+++ | 1 AF | 2 7 |
| 4    | D      | -   | 1---                                                       | 2--- | 3++  |      | 5--- | 6+++ |      | 1 AF | 3 6 |
| 5    | E      | -   | 1---                                                       | 2++  | 3--- |      | 5+++ | 6--- |      | 1 AF | 2 5 |

| case | region | eps | asymptotic safety or effective theories<br>( $P < 0$ ) |     |     |      |      |      |      | UV   | IR  |
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| 7    | G      | -   | 1--                                                    | 2++ |     |      | 5+++ |      |      | eff. | 2 5 |
| 8    | H      | -   | 1--                                                    | 2++ |     |      | 5+++ |      |      | eff. | 2 5 |
| 9    | F      | +   | 1--                                                    |     | 3++ |      |      | 6+++ |      | eff. | 3 6 |
| 10   | G      | +   | 1--                                                    |     | 3++ |      |      | 6--- | 7+++ | 6 AS | 3 7 |
| 11   | H      | +   | 1--                                                    |     | 3++ |      |      | 6+++ |      | eff. | 3 6 |

Fig. 5: Parametric conformal windows and relevancy of all FPs in LO.

# Effect of finite $\epsilon$ on conformal windows at NLO: $GY_1$

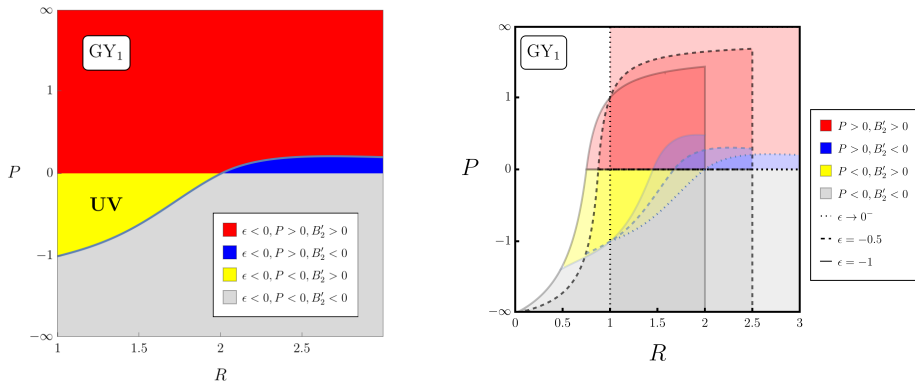


Fig. 6: Parametric conformal windows of the  $GY_1$  fixed point at LO and NLO.

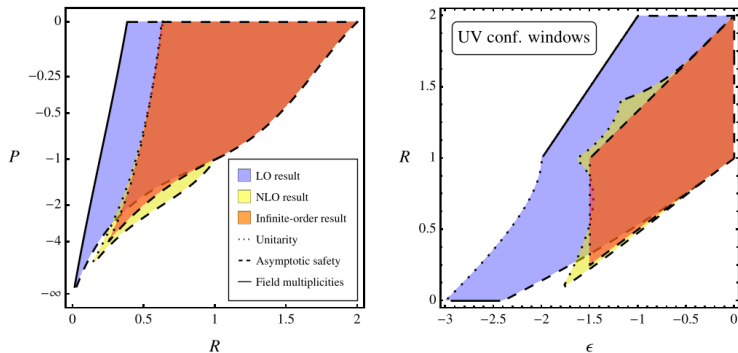


Fig. 7: Comparison of LO, NLO, and infinite-order  $GY_1$  conformal windows projected at the  $(R, P)$  and  $(\epsilon, R)$  planes. Constraints resulting in each boundary are identified.

# Application: model building for BSM physics

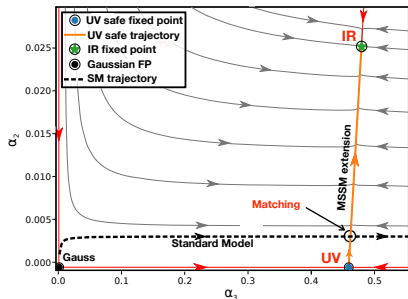


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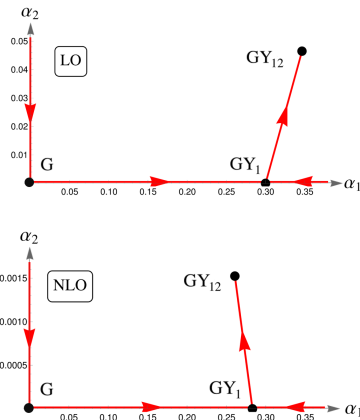


Fig. 8: Higher-order effects raising the matching scale  $\mu_{SM}$ .

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- Some future directions:
  - Couplings and critical exponents from NSVZ.
  - Abelian sector.
  - Formal aspects of QFTs with exact results.
  - Interacting UV FPs in MSSM extensions including new quarks or leptons.
  - Phenomenological signatures of MSSM extensions with new dark gauge sectors.

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Thanks for your attention!

- Gauge beta functions w/o Yukawas in general QFTs, gauge group  $G = \prod_i G_i$ :

$$\beta_i = \alpha_i^2(-B_i + C_{ij}\alpha_j) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^4). \quad (3)$$

- Necessary for UV interacting FP: at least one  $B_i < 0$ .
- From [Bond and Litim, 2017b]:  $B_i \leq 0 \implies C_{ij} \geq 0$ .
- Without Yukawa couplings, interacting FPs (Banks–Zaks-type) can only be IR!

- Yukawa sector comes to rescue:

$$\beta_i \rightarrow \beta_i = \alpha_i^2(-B_i + C_{ij}\alpha_j - 2D_{ij}\alpha_j) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^4), \quad (4)$$

with  $D_{ij} > 0 \implies$  interacting UV fixed points possible!

## Parameters defining the family of theories

- Theory characterized by field multiplicities  $(N_1, N_2, N_F, N_Q, N_\Psi)$ , with couplings

$$\alpha_{1,2} = N_{1,2} \left( \frac{g_{1,2}}{4\pi} \right)^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha_y = N_1 \left( \frac{y}{4\pi} \right)^2, \quad (5)$$

where  $g_{1,2}$  are the usual gauge couplings.

- Physical quantities will be functions of  $(R, \epsilon, P, N_\Psi)$ , with

$$R := \frac{N_2}{N_1}, \quad \epsilon := \frac{N_F + N_\Psi N_2 - 3N_1}{N_1}, \quad \text{and} \quad P := \frac{N_1}{N_2} \frac{N_F + N_Q + N_\Psi N_1 - 3N_2}{N_F + N_\Psi N_2 - 3N_1}, \quad (6)$$

where  $(R, \epsilon, P)$  become continuous in the large- $N$  Veneziano limit.

- Positivity of  $(N_1, N_2, N_F, N_Q)$  impose

$$R > 0, \quad R < \frac{3 + \epsilon}{N_\Psi}, \quad \text{and} \quad R > 1 + \left( \frac{1 - RP}{3 + N_\Psi} \right) \epsilon \quad (7)$$

which, in the strictly perturbative limit  $|\epsilon|, |P\epsilon| \ll 1$ , reduce to

$$P = \text{finite} \quad \text{and} \quad 1 < R < \frac{3}{N_\Psi} \quad (\implies N_\Psi = 1 \text{ or } 2!) \quad (8)$$

- Leading order in perturbation theory: complete  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^1)$  expressions. Requires 2-loop in gauge sectors and 1-loop in the Yukawa sector.
- Let  $\beta_i := d\alpha_i/d\log\mu$ , with  $\mu$  being the RG scale. At LO:

$$\begin{aligned}\beta_1^{(1+2)} &= \underbrace{2\alpha_1^2\epsilon}_{1 \text{ loop}} + \underbrace{2\alpha_1^2[(6 + 4\epsilon)\alpha_1 + 2R\alpha_2 - 4R(3 + \epsilon - R)\alpha_y]}_{2 \text{ loop}}, \\ \beta_2^{(1+2)} &= \underbrace{2\alpha_1^2 P\epsilon}_{1 \text{ loop}} + \underbrace{2\alpha_1^2[(6 + 4P\epsilon)\alpha_2 + (2/R)\alpha_1 - (4/R)(3 + \epsilon - R)\alpha_y]}_{2 \text{ loop}}, \\ \beta_y^{(1)} &= 2\alpha_y[-2\alpha_1 - 2\alpha_2 + (4 + \epsilon)\alpha_y].\end{aligned}\tag{9}$$

- The FPs are:

|              | BZ <sub>1</sub>       | BZ <sub>2</sub>         | GY <sub>1</sub>                 | GY <sub>2</sub>                | BZ <sub>12</sub>            | GY <sub>12</sub>                                              |
|--------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| $\alpha_1^*$ | $-\frac{\epsilon}{6}$ | 0                       | $\frac{-\epsilon}{2(R^2-3R+3)}$ | 0                              | $\frac{RP-3}{16}\epsilon$   | $\frac{R^2(R-2)P-4R+3}{(R-1)(3R^2-8R+9)}\frac{\epsilon}{2}$   |
| $\alpha_2^*$ | 0                     | $-\frac{\epsilon P}{6}$ | 0                               | $\frac{-\epsilon PR}{2(4R-3)}$ | $\frac{1-3RP}{16R}\epsilon$ | $\frac{R(R^2-3R+3)P-R+2}{(R-1)(3R^2-8R+9)}\frac{\epsilon}{2}$ |
| $\alpha_y^*$ | 0                     | 0                       | $\frac{1}{2}\alpha_1^*$         | $\frac{1}{2}\alpha_2^*$        | 0                           | $\frac{1}{2}(\alpha_1^* + \alpha_2^*)$                        |

- Gauge NSVZ infinite-order  $\beta$ -functions are given by [Novikov et al., 1983]:

$$\beta_1 = \frac{2\alpha_1^2}{F(\alpha_1)} [N_F(1 - 2\gamma_\psi) + N_2 N_\Psi(1 - 2\gamma_\Psi) - 3N_1] ,$$

$$\beta_2 = \frac{2\alpha_2^2}{F(\alpha_2)} [N_F(1 - 2\gamma_\chi) + N_1 N_\Psi(1 - 2\gamma_\Psi) + N_Q(1 - 2\gamma_Q) - 3N_2] ,$$

where  $F(\alpha) = 1 - 2C_2^G \alpha$  and  $C_2^G$  is the quadratic Casimir in the adjoint.

- Non-renormalization theorem for Yukawa superpotential: non-perturbative Yukawa  $\beta$ -function simply reads

$$\beta_y = 2\alpha_y [\gamma_\psi + \gamma_\Psi + \gamma_\chi] .$$

- Infinite-order expressions for  $\gamma_i$ s were obtained using  $a$ -maximisation [Intriligator and Wecht, 2003] and conformal windows were extracted from unitarity.
- Qualitative NLO conclusions confirmed non-perturbatively, e.g. that the  $GY_1$  can be interacting UV FP with or without IR conformality.
- Exact treatment is more limited. More work is needed.

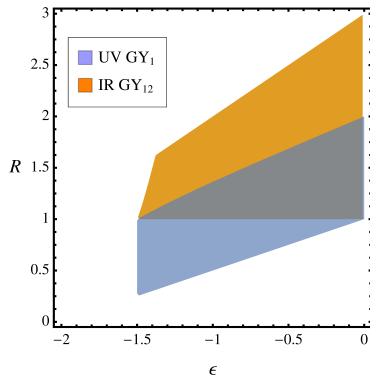


Fig. 8: Projection at the  $(\epsilon, R)$ -plane of the infinite-order conformal windows of the UV  $GY_1$  and IR  $GY_{12}$ .

# Effect of finite $\epsilon$ on conformal windows at NLO: $GY_2$

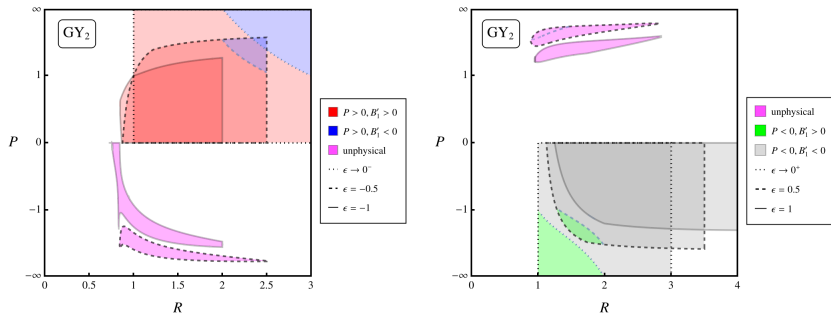


Fig. 9: Parametric conformal windows of the  $GY_2$  fixed point at NLO for various  $\epsilon > 0$ .

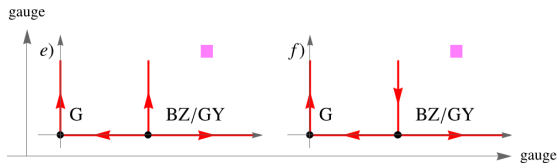


Fig. 10: Unphysical flow diagrams.