

# Spontaneous symmetry breaking induced by complex fermion determinant --- yet another success of the complex Langevin method

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Y.I.-Nishimura, work in progress, arXiv:1608.XXXX[hep-lat]

# Introduction

- In many interesting physical system, the fermion determinant becomes complex. And its phase plays an important role in the determination of the vacuum.

## speculations

- QCD at low temperature and high density      exotic fermion condensates
- superstring theory (type IIB matrix model)      SSB of  $SO(10)$  down to  $SO(4)$

- If one applies the complex Langevin method (CLM), [Parisi '83] [Klauder '83] the fermion determinant may cause the singular drift problem, which is associated with the appearance of small eigenvalues of Dirac op..

⇒ wrong results


# Our strategy

- We propose to avoid this problem by introducing a **fermion bilinear term** in the action and modify the Dirac op.


$$S_f \rightarrow S_f + \Delta S_f (M)$$

$$D \rightarrow D' (M)$$

This modification deforms the eigenvalue distribution.

- After that, we get the results for the original system by **extrapolating the parameter  $M$  to zero** using reliable data only.  
  
new criterion (arXiv:1606.07627)
- We test this idea in a simple matrix model with rotational SO(4) symmetry.
  - The phase of the fermion determinant induces the SSB of SO(4) down to SO(2).

cf) phase quenched model  $\longrightarrow$  no SSB

 The obtained results agree well with the predictions obtained by the Gaussian expansion method.

[Nishimura-Okubo-Sugino '05]

# Talk plan

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# The SO(4)-symmetric matrix model

[Nishimura '02]

## ■ Partition function

$$Z = \int dX (\det D)^N e^{-S_b}$$

### ▣ boson action

$$S_b = \frac{1}{2} N \sum_{\mu=1}^4 \text{tr} (X_\mu^2)$$

### ▣ fermion determinant

$$D = \sum_{\mu=1}^4 \Gamma^\mu \otimes X_\mu$$

This is exactly “massless” system

$X_\mu: N \times N$  Hermitian matrices  
 $\mu = 1 \sim 4$

$\Gamma^\mu: 2 \times 2$  gamma matrices

$$\Gamma^\mu = \begin{cases} i\sigma_i & \text{for } \mu = i = 1, 2, 3 \\ \mathbf{1}_{2 \times 2} & \text{for } \mu = 4 \end{cases}$$

## ■ $\det D$ is complex

## ■ SO(4) rotational symmetry

## ■ The fermion determinant induces the SSB of SO(4)

suggested by the Gaussian expansion method

[Nishimura-Okubo-Sugino '05]

# Order parameters for the SSB of SO(4)

## ■ In order to see the SSB

1. introduce a external field in the action to break SO(4) sym.

$$S_b \rightarrow S_{b+\epsilon} = S_b + \frac{N}{2} \sum_{\mu=1}^4 \epsilon m_{\mu} \text{tr} (X_{\mu}^2)$$

Here we chose  $m_{\mu} = (1, 2, 4, 8)$

2.  $N \rightarrow \infty$

3. extrapolate  $\epsilon$  to zero.

## ■ define the **order parameters**

$$\langle \lambda_{\mu} \rangle = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \langle \lambda_{\mu} \rangle_{\epsilon} \quad \text{here } \langle \lambda_{\mu} \rangle_{\epsilon} = \left\langle \frac{1}{N} \text{tr} (X_{\mu}^2) \right\rangle$$

## ■ In the Gaussian expansion method,

SO(2) case : $\langle \lambda_1 \rangle = \langle \lambda_2 \rangle \simeq 2.1, \langle \lambda_3 \rangle \simeq 1.0, \langle \lambda_4 \rangle \simeq 0.8$	} comparing the free energy ↓ <b>SO(2)-sym.</b> vacuum is favored.
SO(3) case : $\langle \lambda_1 \rangle = \langle \lambda_2 \rangle = \langle \lambda_3 \rangle \sim 1.75, \langle \lambda_4 \rangle \sim 0.75$	

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# The application of the CLM to the model

- action

$$S = S_{b+\epsilon} - N \ln (\det D)$$

- complex Langevin equation

$$\frac{dX_\mu}{dt} = -\frac{\partial S}{\partial X_\mu} + \eta_\mu(t)$$

$\eta_\mu(t) : N \times N$  Hermitian matrices

$X_\mu : N \times N$  Hermitian matrices  
 $\rightarrow N \times N$  complex matrices

- drift term

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial X_\mu} = N (1 + \epsilon m_\mu) X_\mu - N \text{tr}_\alpha \left( D^{-1} \Gamma^\mu \right)$$



zero-eigenvalues of  $D$  correspond to a pole.

- The eigenvalues of  $D$  close to zero cause the singular-drift problem.

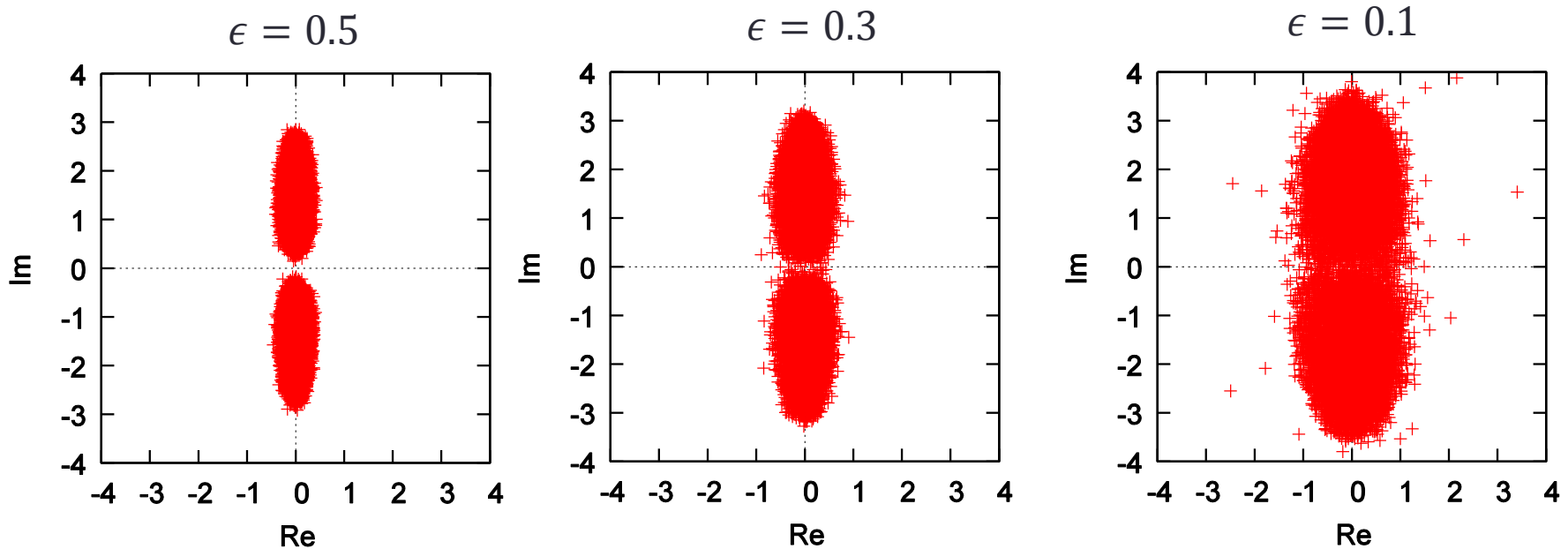


$P(X, t)$  needs to damp rapidly around the pole  
in order to justify the CLM.



# The singular-drift problem

- The eigenvalue distribution of the Dirac op.



- Below some critical  $\epsilon$ , the CLM does not work due to the [singular-drift problem](#).
- We try to solve this problem by [introducing a fermion bilinear term](#) in the action.

# Introduction of a fermion bilinear term

- introduce a fermion bilinear term  $\Delta S_f$  in the action

$$\Delta S_f = -N M_\mu \text{tr} (\bar{\psi} \Gamma^\mu \psi)$$

$$D \rightarrow D' = \Gamma^\mu \otimes (X_\mu + \underline{M}_\mu \mathbf{1}) \quad M_\mu : \text{parameter}$$

here we used

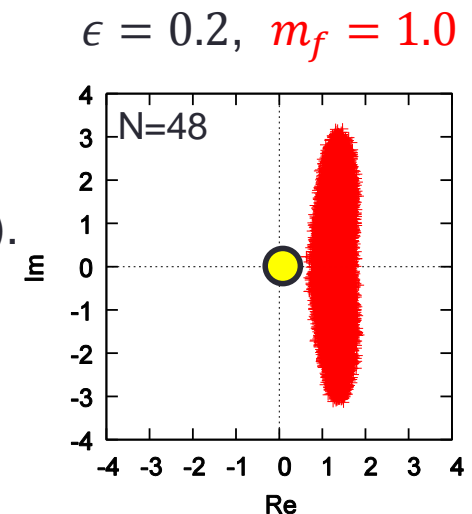
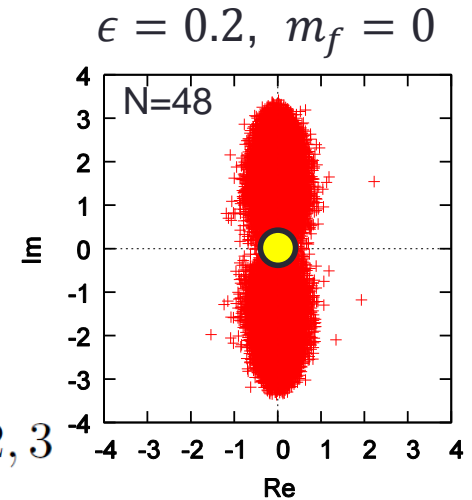
$$M_\mu = (0, 0, 0, m_f) \quad \Gamma^\mu = \begin{cases} i\sigma_i & \text{for } \mu = i = 1, 2, 3 \\ \mathbf{1}_{2 \times 2} & \text{for } \mu = 4 \end{cases}$$

- The eigenvalue distribution shifts to the real direction.

→ The CLM becomes valid even at small  $\epsilon$ .

- This breaks the SO(4) symmetry minimally down to SO(3).

□ First we investigate the SSB of this SO(3).



# Validity of the CLM

- From the histogram of the magnitude of the drift, the validity of the CLM can be judged.

→ Shimasaki's talk, Nagata's talk  
[Nagata-Nishimura-Shimasaki '16]

$n$  : the magnitude of the drift term

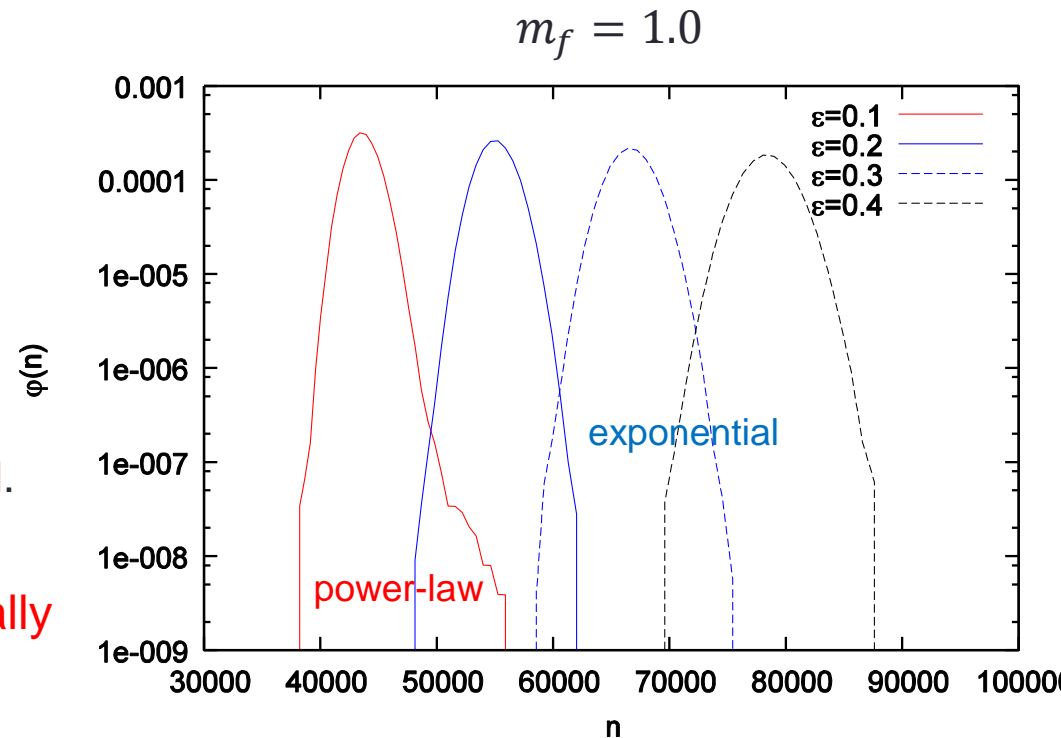
$$n = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\mu=1}^4 \text{tr} \left| \left( \frac{\partial S}{\partial X_{\mu}} \right)_{ij} \right|^2$$

$\varphi(n)$  : probability distribution of the magnitude  $n$

## □ new criterion

$\varphi(n)$  should damp **faster than exponential**.

- $\varphi(n)$  for  $\epsilon \geq 0.2$  damps **exponentially** (but not for  $\epsilon \leq 0.1$ ).



This enables us to extrapolate  $\epsilon$  using correct data only.

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# Extrapolation to $\epsilon = 0$

Y.I.-Nishimura, work in progress

- order parameters for finite  $m_f$

$$\langle \lambda_i \rangle_{m_f} = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \langle \lambda_i \rangle_{\epsilon, m_f}$$

$$\langle \lambda_1 \rangle_{m_f} = 1.74(2)$$

$$\langle \lambda_2 \rangle_{m_f} = 1.731(8)$$

$$\langle \lambda_3 \rangle_{m_f} = 1.422(9)$$

$$\langle \lambda_4 \rangle_{m_f} = 1.11(2)$$

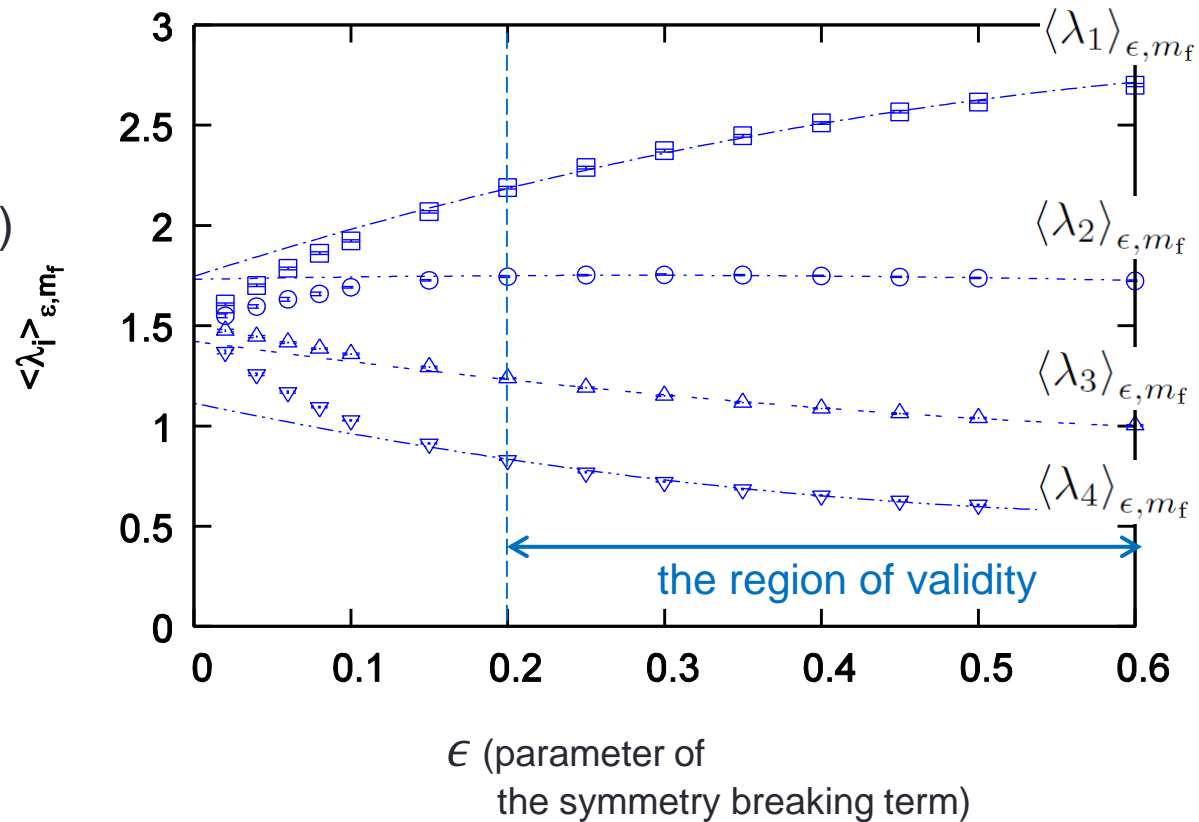
SO(2)



SSB

SO(3)  $\rightarrow$  SO(2)

the order parameter for  $m_f = 1.0$



# Extrapolation to $m_f = 0$

Y.I.-Nishimura, work in progress

■ order parameters

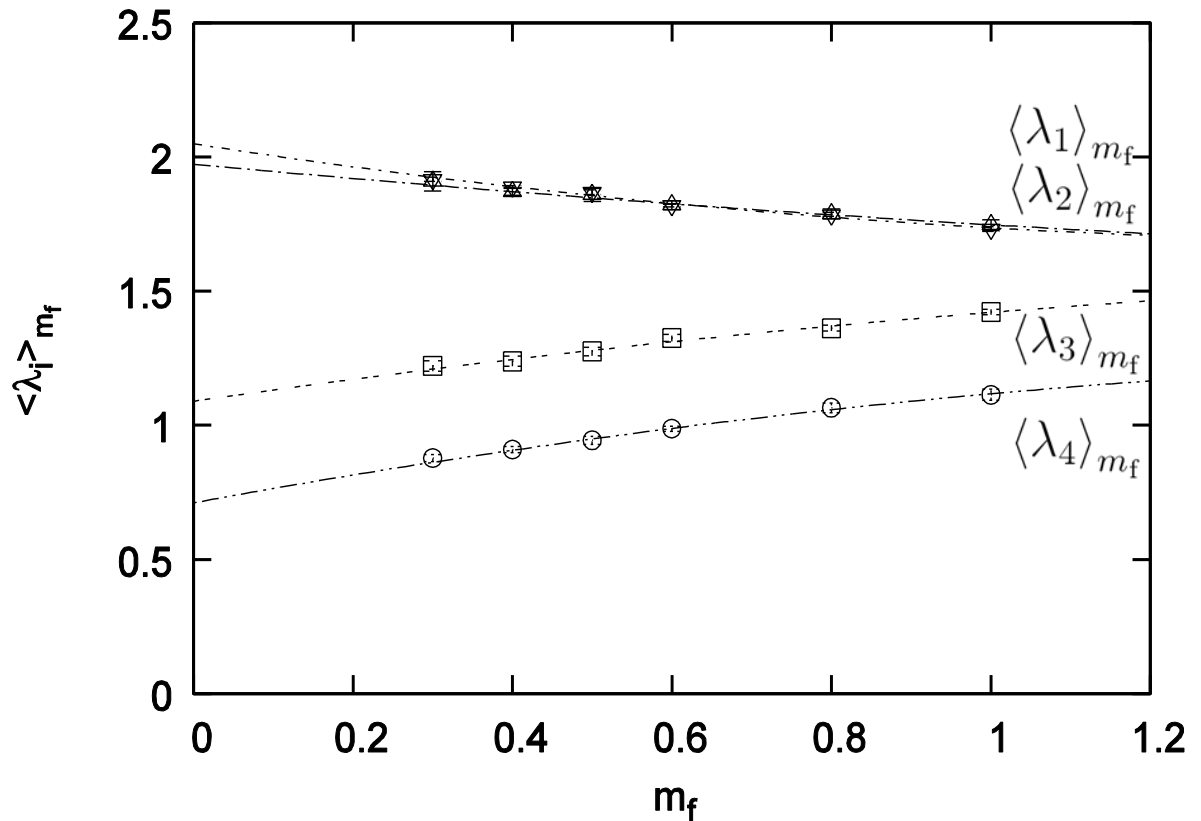
$$\langle \lambda_i \rangle = \lim_{m_f \rightarrow 0} \langle \lambda_i \rangle_{m_f}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \lambda_1 \rangle &= 1.97(4) \\ \langle \lambda_2 \rangle &= 2.04(5) \\ \langle \lambda_3 \rangle &= 1.08(8) \\ \langle \lambda_4 \rangle &= 0.71(3) \end{aligned}$$

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SSB from SO(4) to SO(2)



previous results (Gaussian expansion method)

$$\langle \lambda_1 \rangle = \langle \lambda_2 \rangle \simeq 2.1$$

$$\langle \lambda_3 \rangle \simeq 1.0 \quad \langle \lambda_4 \rangle \simeq 0.8$$

# Summary

- For the success of the CLM in the present case, it was crucial to overcome the singular-drift problem.
- Our strategy:
  - we deformed the Dirac op. while maintaining the qualitative feature of vacuum as much as possible.
  - Then, we extrapolated the deformation parameter to zero.
- In the  $SO(4)$ -sym. matrix model, we had to introduce infinitesimal symmetry breaking terms to probe the SSB.
- By using the criterion to justify the method, we can extrapolate the parameter using reliable data only.
  - The results agree with the prediction obtained by the GEM.
- This strategy would be useful in finite density QCD at low temperature and high density.
- Since various exotic fermion condensates are expected there, deforming the Dirac op. with the corresponding bilinear term would not disturb the vacuum significantly.





# Future Works

- Application to the IKKT matrix model which has the  $SO(10)$  symmetry.
  - The non-perturbative formulation of superstring theory.
  - It is expected that 4d space emerges from compact 10d space.

It is suggested that the  $SO(10)$  breaks down to  $SO(3)$   
by the Gaussian expansion method.

It is based on the systematic calculation, and using approximations.

[Nishimura, Okubo, Sugino '05]

We need to study this from first-principle calculation using the CLM.

- The finite density QCD

In the high density low temperature phase, introducing an external source as we did here may help reduce the singular-drift problem.

# Introduction

## ■ Complex action problem

$$Z = \int dx e^{-S(x)} \quad S(x) \in \mathbb{C}$$

- $e^{-S}$  is no longer regarded as the Boltzmann weight factor.
- It appears in finite density QCD, SYM theory, real time dynamics etc.

## ■ The complex Langevin method

- certain problems often appear in the CLM, which leads to wrong results.
- The CLM works successfully in **finite density QCD** and **Random matrix theory**.

at deconfined phase  $T > T_c$

with quark mass

[Seiler, Sexty, Stamatescu '12][Sexty '13]

[Mollgaard, Splittorff '14]

# The complex Langevin method

[Parisi '83] [Klauder '83]

For the partition function with a complex action

$$Z = \int dx e^{-S(x)} \quad S(x) \in \mathbb{C}$$

- complexify  $x$  and consider holomorphic extension of  $S$

$$x \rightarrow z = x + iy \quad S(x) \rightarrow S(x, y)$$

- the complex Langevin equation

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{d}{dt}x = -\text{Re}\partial_z S(z) + \underbrace{\eta(t)}_{\text{real}} \\ \frac{d}{dt}y = -\text{Im}\partial_z S(z) \end{array} \right.$$

$t$  : the Langevin time  
 $\eta$  : white noise

$$\langle \eta(t) \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle \eta(t) \eta(t') \rangle = 2\delta(t - t')$$

- The probability distribution satisfies the Fokker-Planck like equation

$$\partial_t P(x, y; t) = \partial_x (\partial_x + \text{Re}[\partial_z S]) P(x, y; t) + \partial_y \text{Im}[\partial_z S] P(x, y; t)$$

# Criteria for the CLM to be justified

For holomorphic observables  $O(x+iy)$ ,  
the expectation values is given in the CLM as

$$\langle O(x+iy) \rangle = \int dx dy P_{\text{eq}}(x, y) O(x+iy)$$

- The crucial point is that there exists a real and non-negative weight  $P(x, y)$  such that

$$\int dx \underbrace{\rho(x)}_{\sim e^{-S(x)} : \text{complex}} O(x) = \int dx dy \underbrace{P_{\text{eq}}(x, y)} O(x+iy)$$

$P_{\text{eq}}(x, y)$  needs to damp rapidly  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{in the imaginary direction.} \longrightarrow \text{gauge cooling} \\ \text{around singularities of the drift term.} \end{array} \right.$   
[Aarts, James, Seiler, Stamateseu '11] [Nishimura, Shimasaki '15]

- In particular, fermion determinant will cause the **singular-drift problem**.



**We propose a new technique to resolve this problem in such a case.**

# Equivalence to the path integral

- We assume

$$P(x, t) = \psi(x, t) e^{-S/2}$$

Then, the FP eq. becomes

$$\frac{d}{dt} \psi(x, t) = -2H \psi(x, t)$$

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \left( -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial S}{\partial x} \right) \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial S}{\partial x} \right)$$

: self-adjoint op.



mode expansion

$$H \psi_n(x) = E_n \psi_n(x)$$

$$\psi(x, t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \psi_n(x) e^{-E_n t}$$

$t \rightarrow \infty$

$$\psi_0(x) = e^{-\frac{1}{2}S}$$

dominant

Thus, we obtain

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} P(x, t) = a_0 e^{-S} \quad \text{up to normalization}$$

- The expectation value

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \langle O(x^{(\eta)}(t)) \rangle_{\eta} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int dx O(x) P(x; t) = \langle O(x) \rangle,$$

# Proof of the relation

$$\int dx \rho(x; t) O(x) = \int dx dy P(x, y; t) O(x + iy)$$

- at  $t = 0$ , we can choose

$$P(x, y; 0) = \rho(x; 0) \delta(y) \longrightarrow \text{The relation holds.}$$

- for an arbitrary  $t$ , we need to show the below relations

$$\int dx O(x) \rho(x; t) = \int dx O(x; t) \rho(x; 0)$$

$$\int dx dy O(x + iy) P(x, y; t) = \int dx dy O(x + iy; t) P(x, y; 0)$$

- the time-dependent observable is defined by

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} O(z; t) = \tilde{L} O(z; t)$$

$$\tilde{L} = \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial S}{\partial z} \right) \frac{\partial}{\partial z}$$

$P_{eq}(x, y)$  damps rapidly

{ in the imaginary direction.  
around singularities of the drift term.

- consider time interpolating function

$$F(t, \tau) = \int dx dy O(x + iy; \tau) P(x, y; t - \tau)$$

- We show that  $F(t, \tau)$  is independent of  $\tau$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} F(t, \tau) = \int dx dy \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} O(x + iy; \tau) P(x, y; t - \tau) + \int dx dy O(x + iy; \tau) \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} P(x, y; t - \tau)$$

↓ FP eq.

$$= \int dx dy \tilde{L} O(x + iy; \tau) P(x, y; t - \tau) - \int dx dy O(x + iy; \tau) L^\top P(x, y; t - \tau),$$

↓ partial derivative

$$= \int dx dy \tilde{L} O(x + iy; \tau) P(x, y; t - \tau) - \int dx dy L O(x + iy; \tau) P(x, y; t - \tau),$$

↓  $LO(z) = \tilde{L}O(z)$  for a holomorphic function

$$= 0$$

# introduction of a fermion mass term in the 3<sup>rd</sup> direction

Introducing a mass term to fermions

$$D \rightarrow D' = \sum_{\mu=1}^4 \Gamma^\mu \otimes (X_\mu + \alpha_\mu \mathbf{1})$$

Here, we used

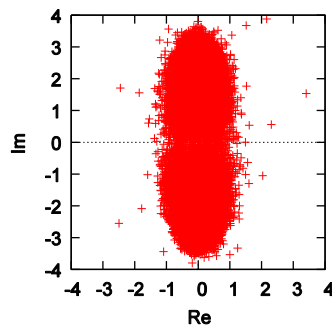
$$\alpha_\mu = (0, 0, m_f, 0)$$

This term makes the eigenvalue distribution of  $D$  to avoid the pole.

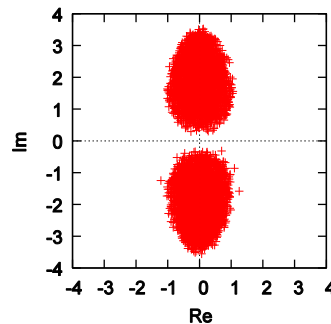
→ we can extrapolate the values of  $\langle \lambda_i \rangle$  using much smaller  $\epsilon$ .

for  $\epsilon = 0.1$

$m_f = 0$



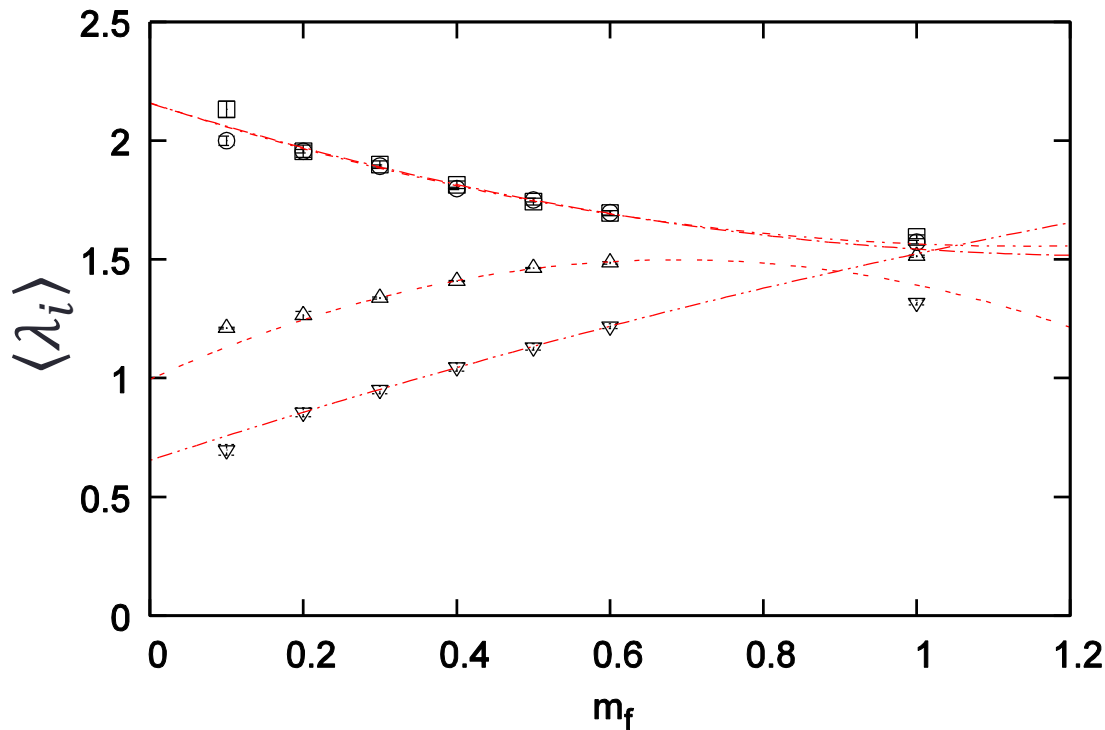
$m_f = 0.5$





# Improvement by means of fermion mass terms

1. taking the  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$  limit with  $m_f$  fixed.
2. taking the  $m_f \rightarrow 0$  limit.



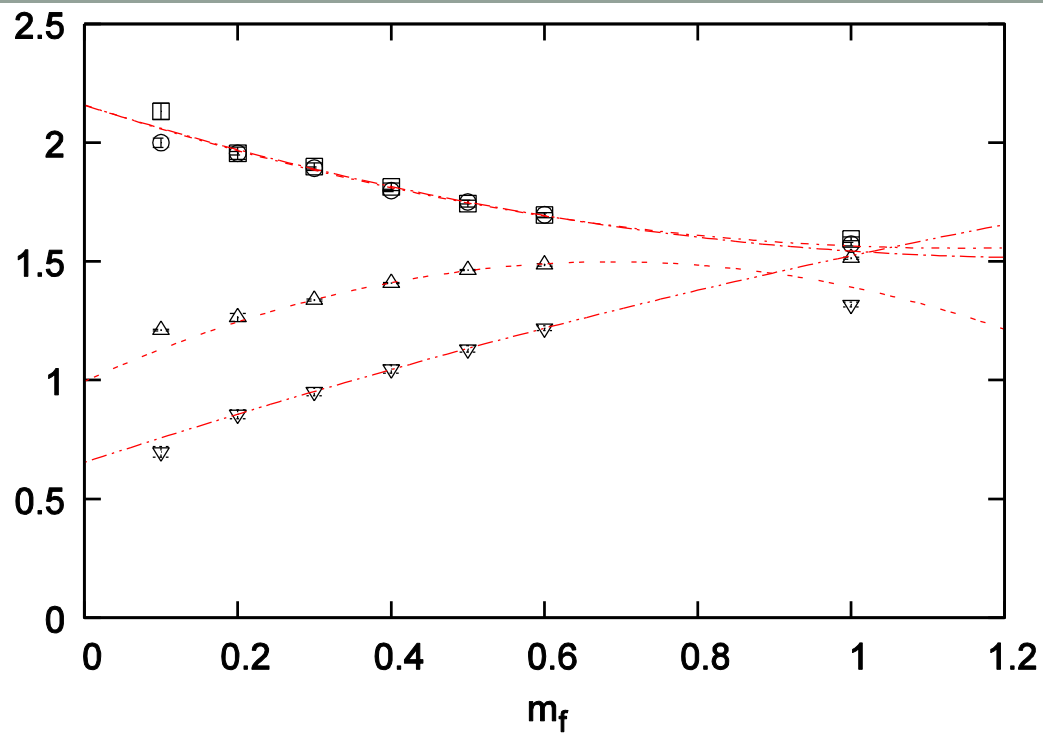
$$\left. \begin{aligned} \langle \lambda_1 \rangle &= 2.15(6) \\ \langle \lambda_2 \rangle &= 2.15(7) \end{aligned} \right\} \text{SO}(2)$$
$$\langle \lambda_3 \rangle = 0.99(4)$$
$$\langle \lambda_4 \rangle = 0.654(9)$$

previous result

$$\langle \lambda_1 \rangle = \langle \lambda_2 \rangle \simeq 2.1$$

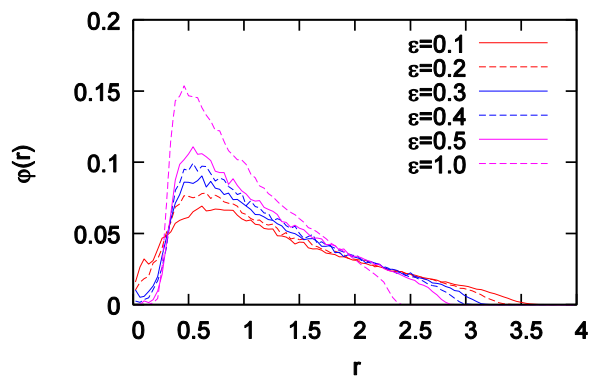
$$\langle \lambda_3 \rangle \simeq 1.0 \quad \langle \lambda_4 \rangle \simeq 0.8$$

➡ The result clearly shows the SSB from SO(4) to SO(2).

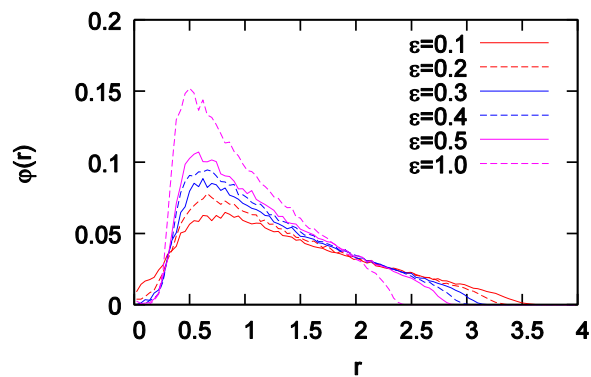


$$\varphi(r) = \frac{1}{2\pi r} \int dz P(z, t = \infty) \delta(|z| - r)$$

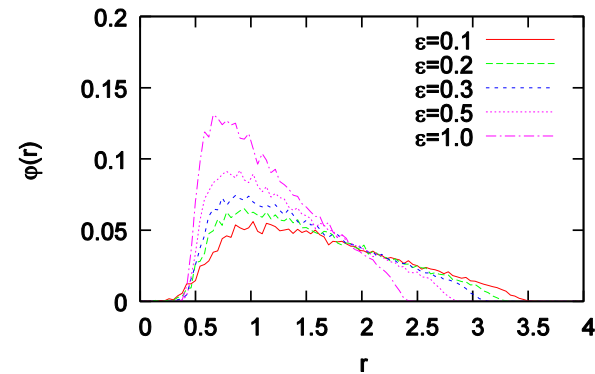
$\epsilon = 0.1$  N=48



$\epsilon = 0.2$  N=48



$\epsilon = 0.5$  N=48



# Idea of “gauge cooling”

For lattice gauge theory,

Link variables  $U_{x,\mu}$

$$SU(N) \rightarrow SL(N, \mathbb{C})$$

Considering unitarity norm.

$$\frac{1}{N} \text{tr} (UU^\dagger - \mathbf{1}) \quad \text{It is no longer zero.}$$

- It is necessary to control the norm to be small.

→ “gauge cooling”

$$U_{x,\mu} \rightarrow \Omega_x U_{x,\mu} \Omega_{x+\hat{\mu}}^{-1} \quad \Omega_x \in SL(N, \mathbb{C})$$

- Gauge inv. observables are independent of the gauge cooling.