



# COMPLEX LANGEVIN SIMULATIONS FOR $\mathcal{PT}$ -SYMMETRIC MODELS

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# 1. Motivation

- What is supersymmetry?

Space-time symmetry: (integer spin) **bosons**  $\leftrightarrow$  (half-integer spin) **fermions**

- Why supersymmetry?

Physics beyond the Standard Model:

Hierarchy problem, Gauge coupling unification,  
String theory, AdS/CFT *etc.*

Framework for unification of all forces

Insights into strongly coupled gauge theories

- Why SUSY on lattice?

**Non-perturbative** *ab-initio* definition of QFTs

Access to **dynamical SUSY breaking**

# 1. Motivation

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## Model of supersymmetric quantum field theory with broken parity symmetry

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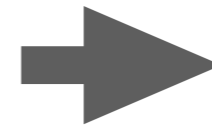
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Non-Hermitian interactions:  $W(\phi) = g(i\phi)^{2+\delta}$

$\mathcal{PT}$  invariant: Physically admissible

Broken parity:  $\langle \phi \rangle \neq 0$



Superpotential:  $W'(\phi) = -ig(i\phi)^{1+\delta}$

Expansion parameter:  $\delta$

SUSY unbroken for  $\delta > 0$

### In our work:

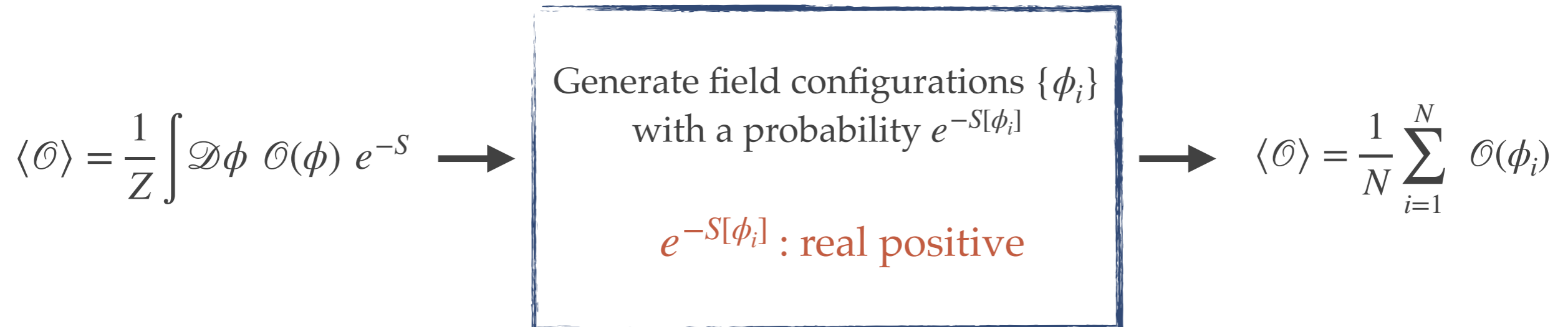
Study the model on a 2d lattice

Explore non-perturbative regime for  $\delta$ -even and  $\delta$ -odd

Action is complex  $\longrightarrow$  we use complex Langevin for simulations

# 2. MC Method and Sign Problem

- Path integral Monte Carlo



- (Example) QCD

$$Z = \int \mathcal{D}U \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \mathcal{D}\psi e^{-S[U,\psi,\bar{\psi}]}$$

$$= \int \mathcal{D}U \boxed{e^{-S_B} \det \mathcal{M}}$$

can be negative  $\rightarrow$

**Numerical sign problem**

(complex phase problem)

# 2. Sign Problem

- Few among a myriad of theories that suffer from sign problem:

Real time simulation

QCD at finite potential

SYM theory

Hubbard Model

One-Link U(1)

XY Model

*Ab initio* Nuclear Matter

SU(3) Spin Model

Quantum many body systems

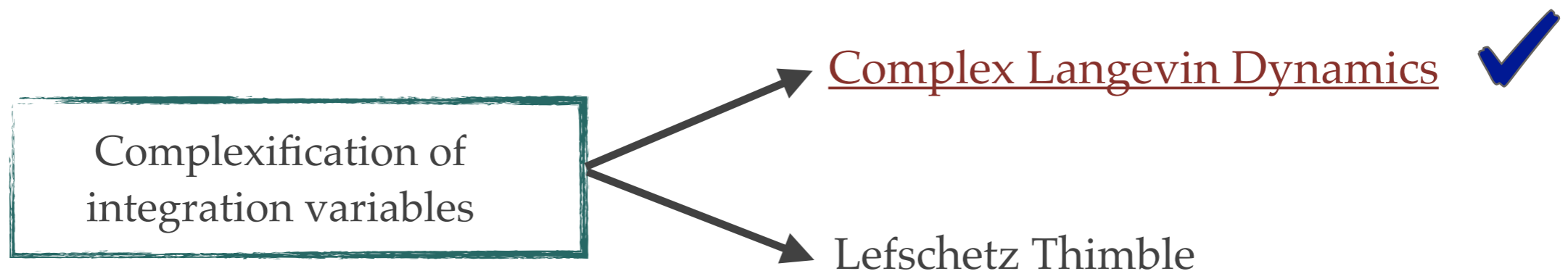
Chern-Simons Theory

O(N) Sigma Model

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- Tackle sign problem

Very few methods: Analytical Continuation, Re-weighting, TRG, *etc.*



# 2. Complex Langevin Method

Stochastic quantization:

$$\frac{\partial \phi(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = - \frac{\delta S[\phi]}{\delta \phi(\theta)} + \eta(\theta)$$

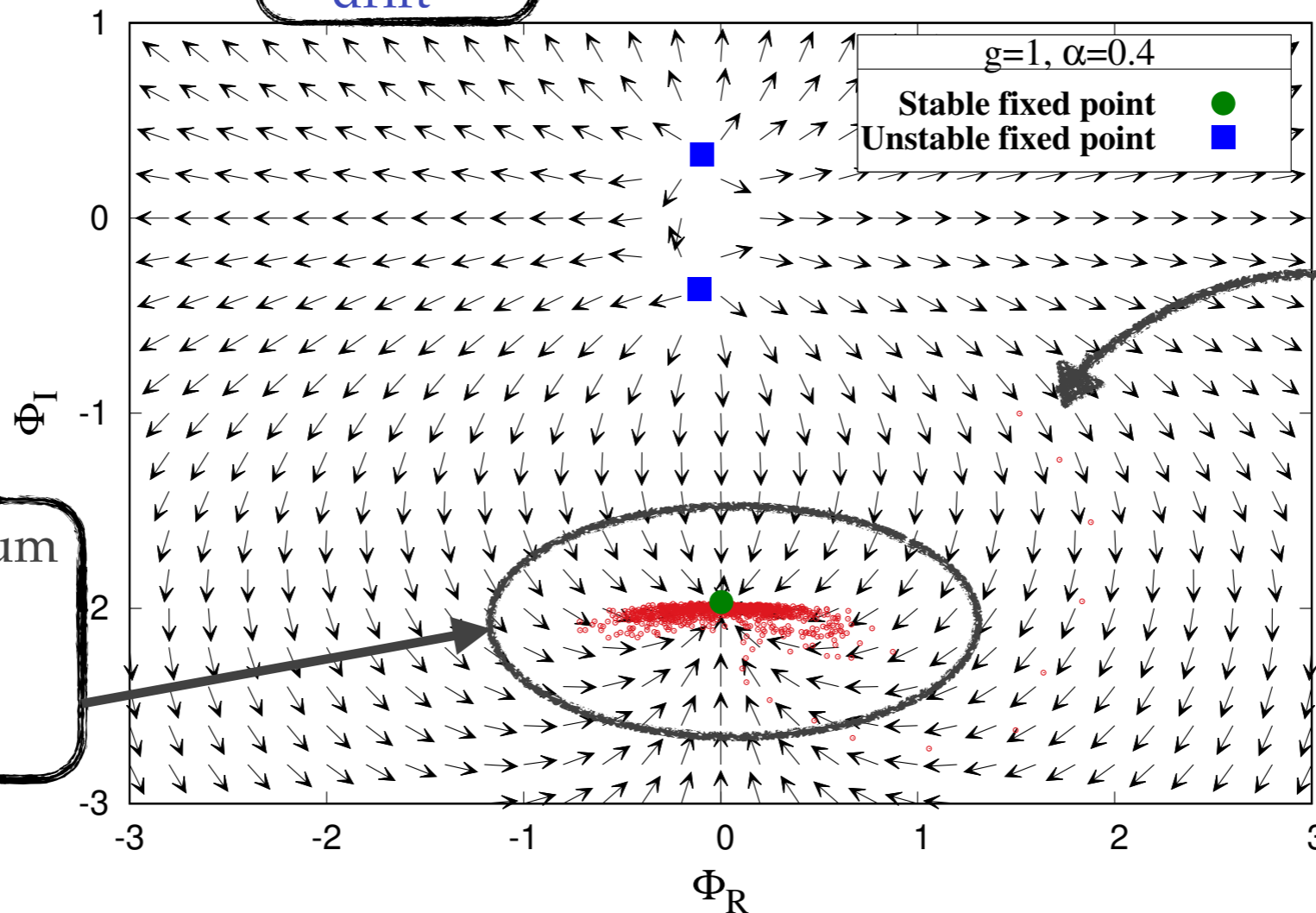
noise

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

$$\langle \eta(\theta) \eta(\theta') \rangle = 2\delta(\theta - \theta')$$

drift

System evolves in fictitious time (Langevin time  $\theta$ )



Initial config.  
 $\theta = 0 : \phi$

Expectation values  $\equiv$  Equilibrium values  
 $\theta$  large :  $\langle \mathcal{O}[\phi(\theta)] \rangle_\eta$

$S[\phi]$  complex: Complex Langevin

$$\phi = \phi_R + i\phi_I$$

$$\theta \rightarrow \infty : P[\phi] \sim e^{-S[\phi]}$$



Aarts, James, Seiler, and Stamatescu (2010)

Nagata, Nishimura, and Shimasaki (2016)

# 3. 2d $\phi^4$ Theory

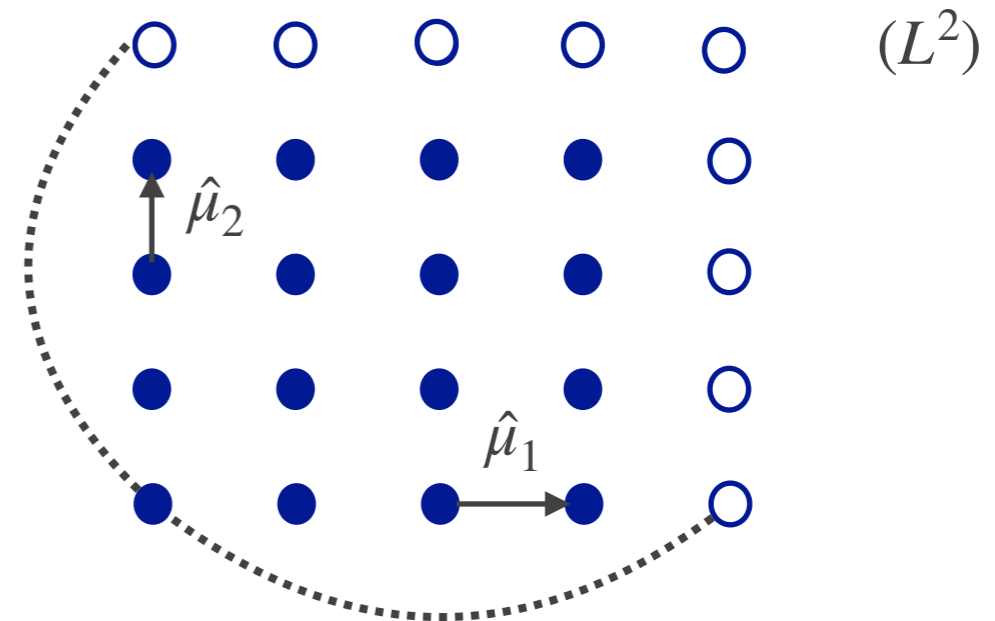
## • $\phi^4$ Theory - Continuum

$$\mathcal{L}_E = \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\mu \phi + \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2 + \frac{\lambda}{4!} \phi^4 \quad (\phi \text{ and } \frac{\lambda}{m^2} \text{ are dimensionless})$$

$$S_E = \int d^2x \mathcal{L}_E$$

## • $\phi^4$ Theory - Lattice

$$\int d^2x = a^2 \sum_r$$



Dimensionless parameters:  $m_0^2 = m^2 a^2$  and  $\lambda_0 = \lambda a^2$

$$S = - \sum_x \sum_\mu \phi_x \phi_{x+\mu} + \left(2 + \frac{m_0^2}{2}\right) \sum_x \phi_x^2 + \frac{\lambda_0}{4!} \sum_x \phi_x^4$$



# 3. 2d $\phi^4$ Theory - Complex Langevin

- Lattice action

$$\phi \rightarrow \sqrt{2\kappa}\Phi, \quad m_0^2 \rightarrow \frac{1 - 2\tilde{\lambda}}{\kappa} - 4, \quad \lambda_0 \rightarrow 6\frac{\tilde{\lambda}}{\kappa^2} \quad (\text{Lattice parameterisation})$$

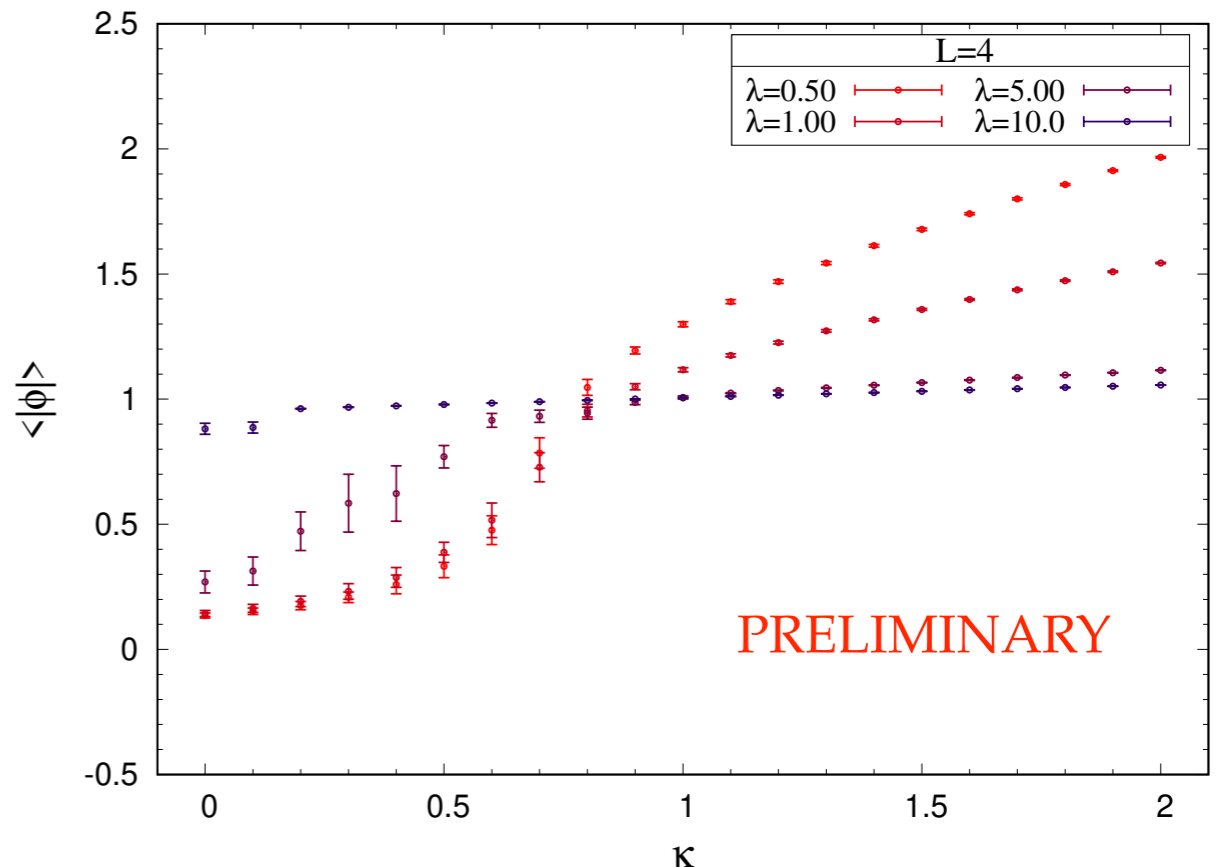
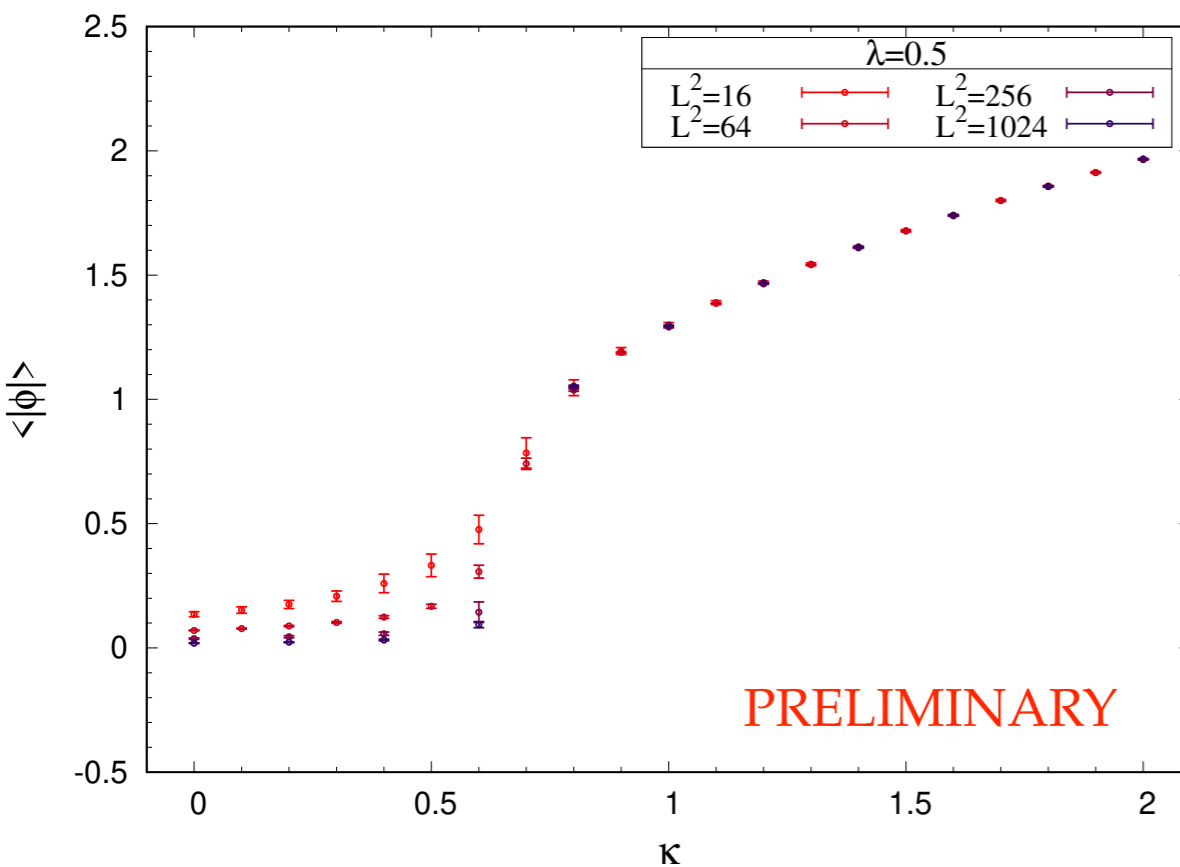
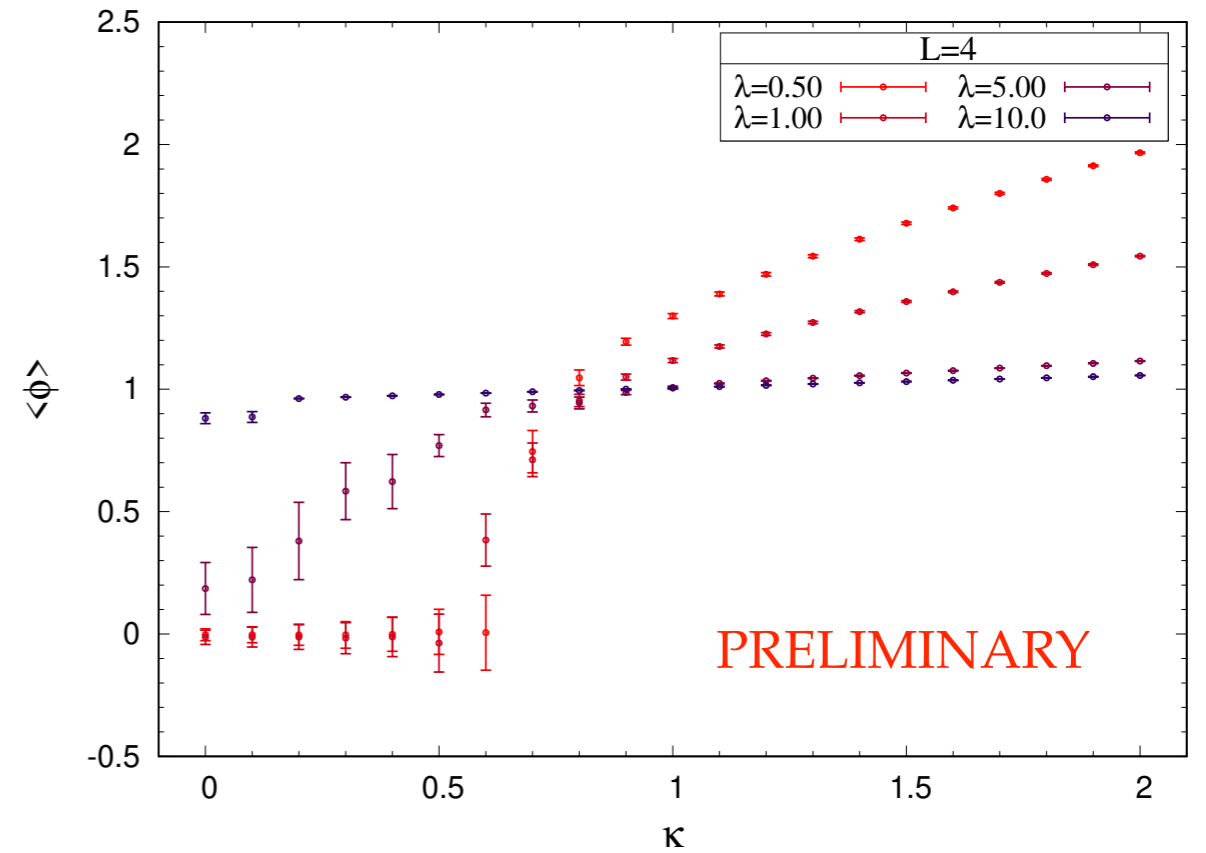
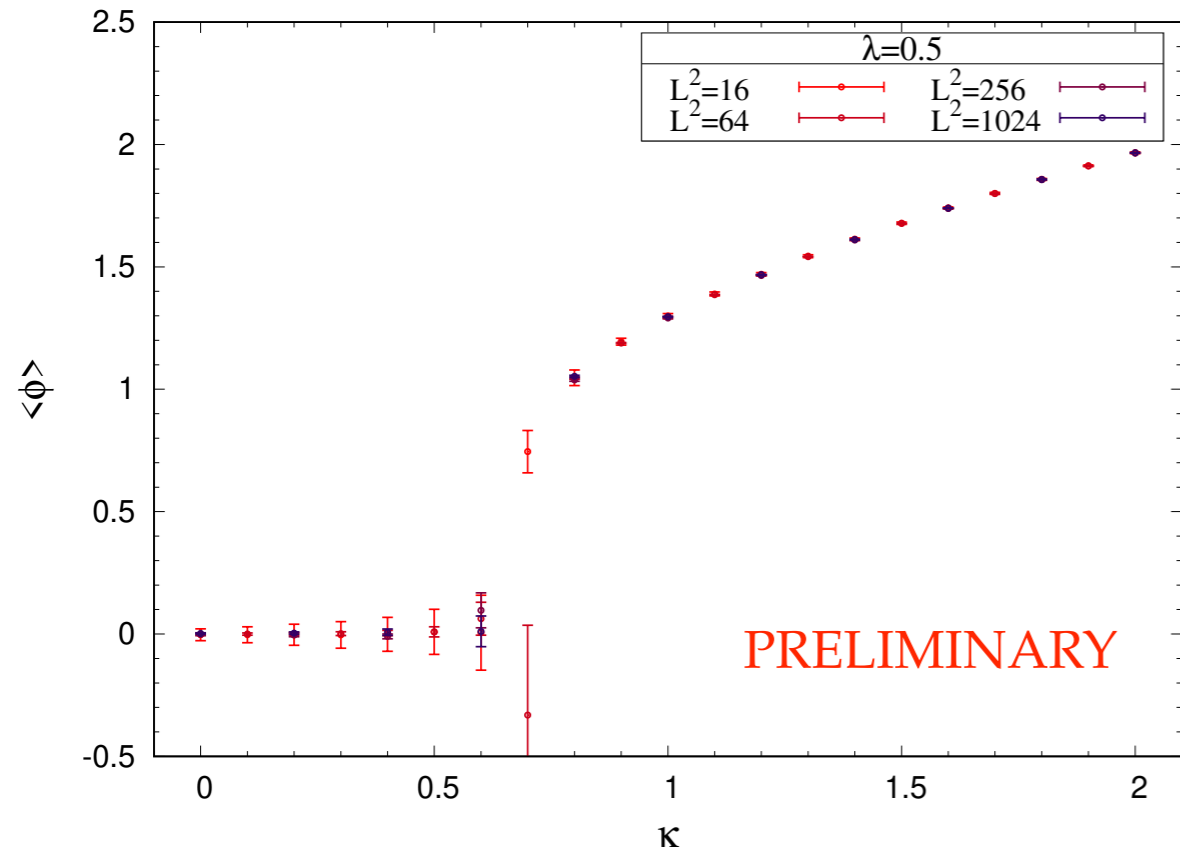
$$S = -2\kappa \sum_x \sum_{\mu} \Phi_x \Phi_{x+\mu} + \sum_x \Phi_x^2 + \tilde{\lambda} \sum_x (\Phi_x^2 - 1)^2$$

- Langevin update for field configurations:

$$\Phi_{x,\theta+\epsilon} = \Phi_{x,\theta} - \epsilon \frac{\partial S}{\partial \Phi_{x,\theta}} + \eta_{x,\theta} \sqrt{\epsilon}$$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial \Phi_{x,\theta}} = -\kappa \sum_{\mu} (\Phi_{x+\mu,\theta} + \Phi_{x-\mu,\theta}) + 2\Phi_{x,\theta} + 4\tilde{\lambda}\Phi_{x,\theta}(\Phi_{x,\theta}^2 - 1)$$

# 3. 2d $\phi^4$ Theory - Complex Langevin



# 3. 2d $\mathcal{PT}$ -Symmetric Theory - Complex Langevin 11

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- $\mathcal{PT}$ -symmetric theory

$$\mathcal{L}_E = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu\phi)^2 + \frac{1}{2}m^2\phi^2 - g(i\phi)^{2+\delta} \quad (\text{Real positive spectra at } m \neq 0)$$

$$S_E = \int d^2x \mathcal{L}_E \quad (\text{Action is complex!})$$

- Example:  $\phi^3$  theory

$$\mathcal{L}_E = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu\phi)^2 + \frac{1}{2}m^2\phi^2 + g\phi^3 \quad ; \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Weak-coupling expansion:} \\ \text{Green's functions are power series in } g^2. \\ \text{Not Borel summable: do not alternate sign.} \\ \text{Non-summability reflects: theory not bounded below.} \end{array}$$

$\downarrow (g \rightarrow ig)$

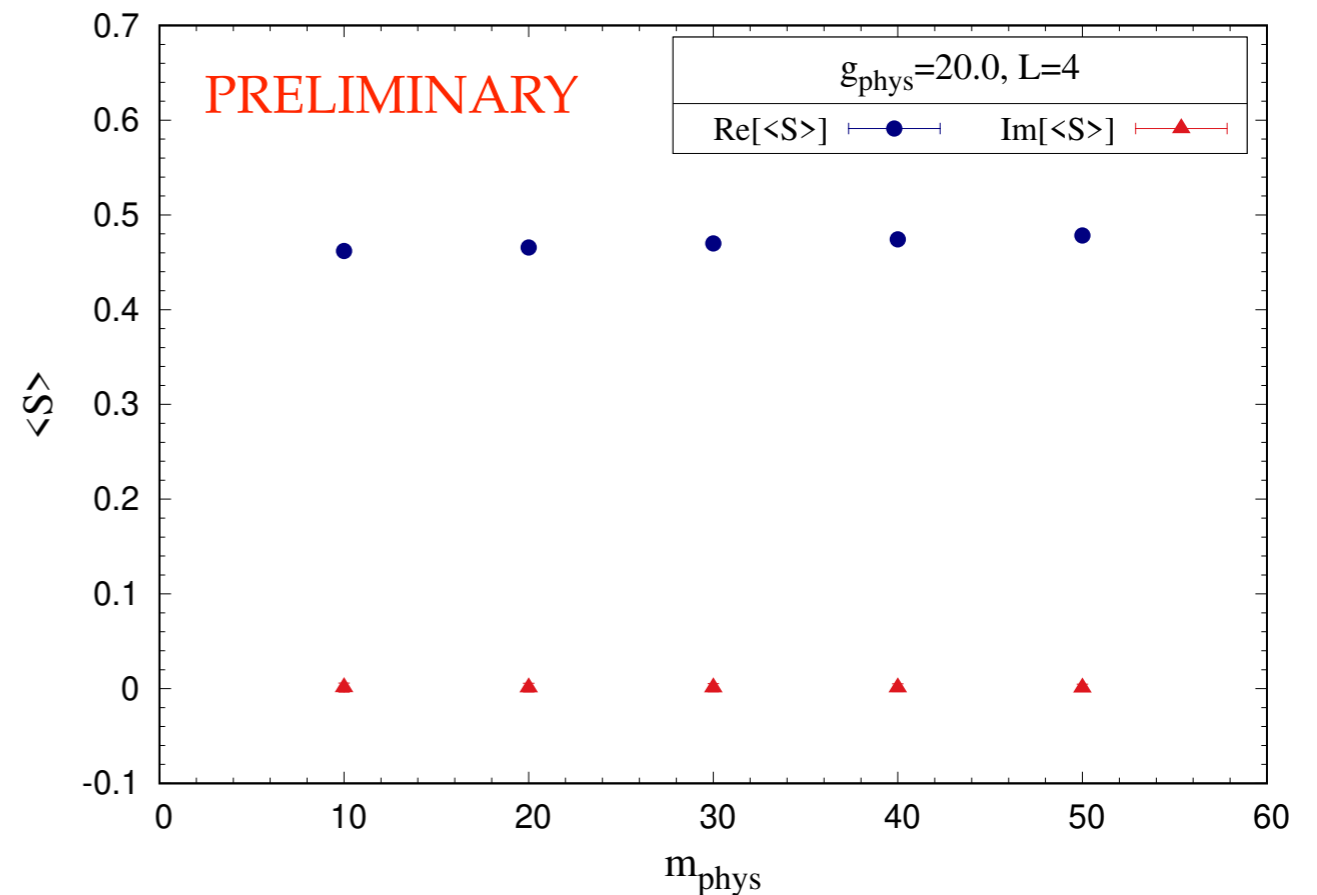
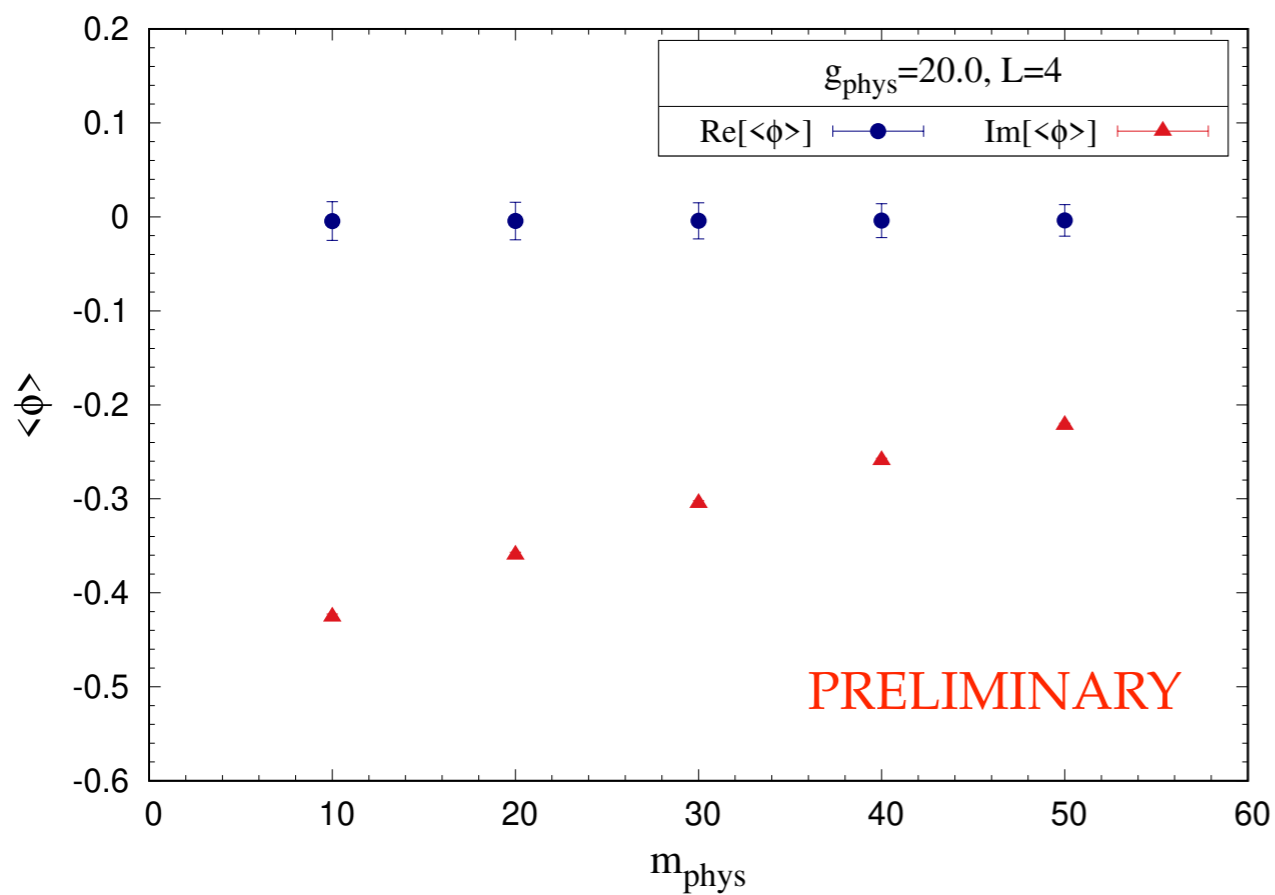
$$\mathcal{L}_E = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu\phi)^2 + \frac{1}{2}m^2\phi^2 + ig\phi^3 \quad ; \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Perturbation series remains real but alternates sign.} \\ \text{Summable and bounded below.} \end{array}$$

Bender and Milton (1998)

# 3. 2d $\mathcal{PT}$ -Symmetric Theory - Complex Langevin 12

$$\mathcal{L}_E = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu \phi)^2 + \frac{1}{2}m^2 \phi^2 - g(i\phi)^{2+\delta}$$

Preliminary complex Langevin simulation results for  $\delta = 1$ .



# 4. $\mathcal{N} = 1$ Wess-Zumino Model

- $\mathcal{N} = 1$  Wess-Zumino Model

$$S_E = \int d^2x \frac{1}{2} \left[ (\partial_\mu \phi)^2 + \bar{\psi} \left( \gamma^\mu \partial_\mu + P'(\phi) \right) \psi + P(\phi)^2 \right]$$

$\phi$  : real scalar field

$\psi$  : Majorana spinor (2 component)

$P(\phi)$  : superpotential derivative

$$\bar{\psi} = \psi^T C$$

$C$ : charge conjugation operator

$\gamma^\mu$ : chiral representation

Action invariant under supersymmetries:

$$\delta\phi = \bar{\epsilon}\psi$$

$$\delta\psi = \left( \gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \phi - P(\phi) \right) \epsilon$$

Few crucial properties:

No  $\mathcal{Q}$ -exact formulation. No Nicolai map.

Witten index  $\Delta = 0$  possible  $\implies$  SUSY may be broken

# 4. $\mathcal{N} = 1$ Wess-Zumino Model - Lattice

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- Consider a symmetric lattice

$$\beta_t = La = \beta_x$$

Lattice size:  $L^2$

Goltermann and Petcher (1988)

Catterall and Karamov (2003)

Wipf and Wozar (2011)

- Lattice action:  $S = S_b + S_f$

$$S_b = \frac{1}{2} (-\phi_r \square_{rr'}^2 \phi_{r'} + P_r^2)$$

$$S_f = -\text{tr} [\ln M] = -\ln(\det[M])$$

(After integrating out the fermions)

Here,

$r, r'$  are 2d lattice vectors

Fermion matrix:  $M \equiv M_{rr'}^{\alpha\beta} = \gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\mu D_{rr'}^\mu + \delta_{\alpha\beta} P'_{rr'}$

$$D_{rr'}^\mu = \frac{1}{2} [\delta_{r+e_\mu, r'} - \delta_{r-e_\mu, r'}] \text{ (symmetric difference)}$$

$$\square_{rr'}^n = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mu} [\delta_{r+ne_\mu, r'} + \delta_{r-ne_\mu, r'} - 2\delta_{r, r'}]$$

# 4. Model with Quadratic Potential

- Consider the potential:

$$P(\phi) = G\phi^2 - \frac{M^2}{4G} ; G \neq 0$$

$$\text{classical vacua: } \langle \phi \rangle = \pm \frac{M}{2G}$$

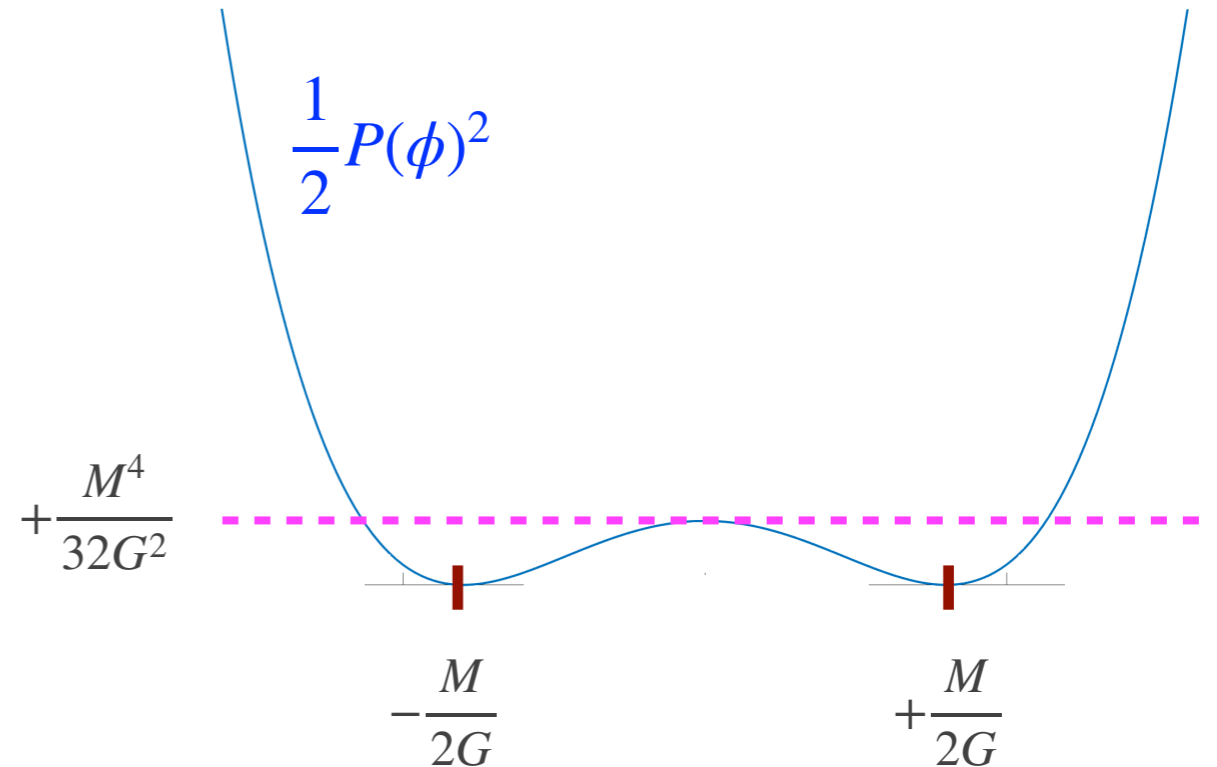
- Lattice discretised potential

Dimensionless couplings:  $g = Ga$ ,  $m = Ma$

$$P_r = g\phi_r^2 - m^2/4g - \square_{rr'}^1 \phi_r' / 2$$

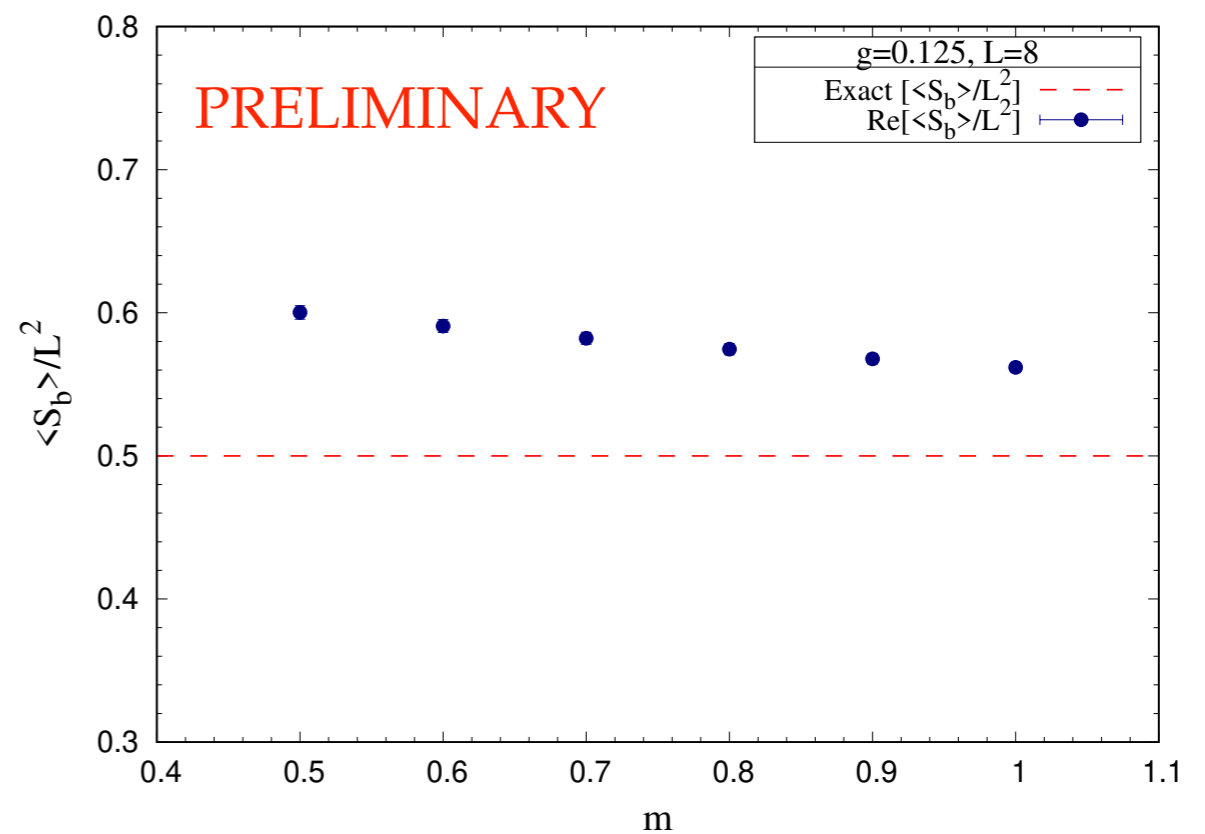
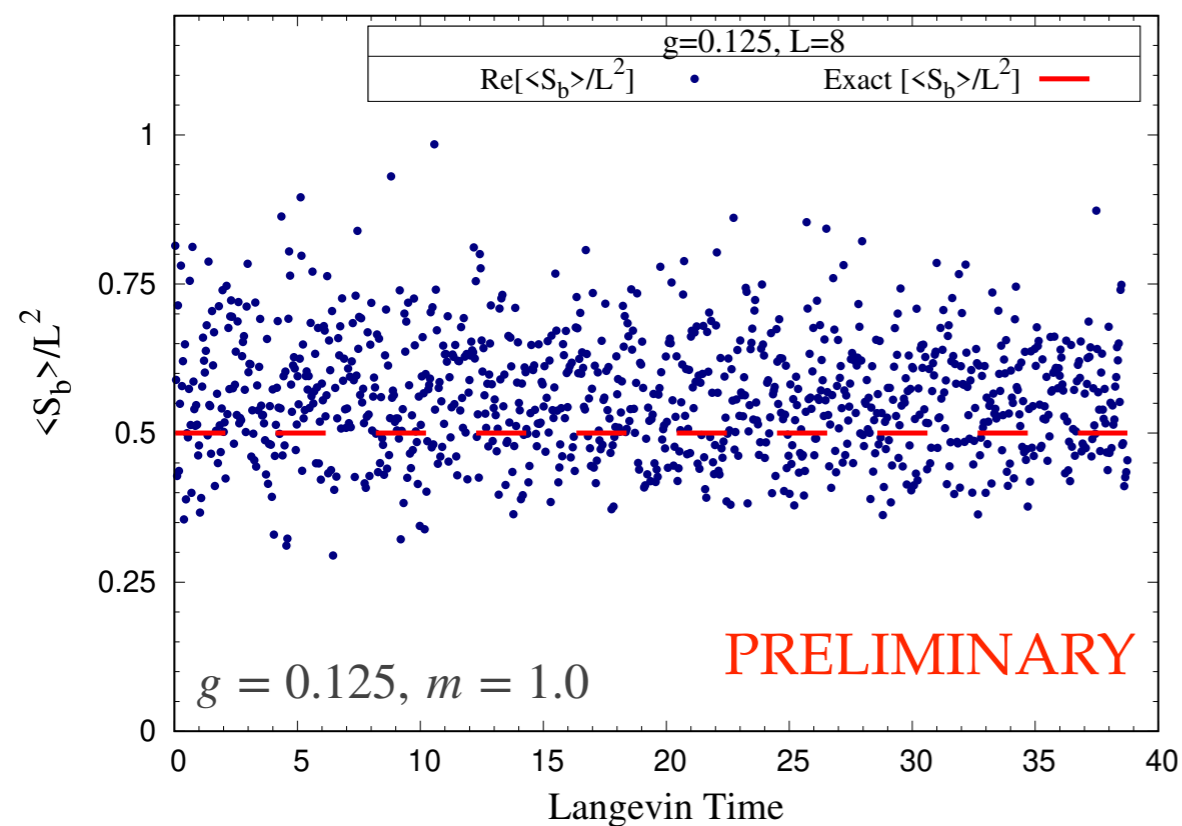
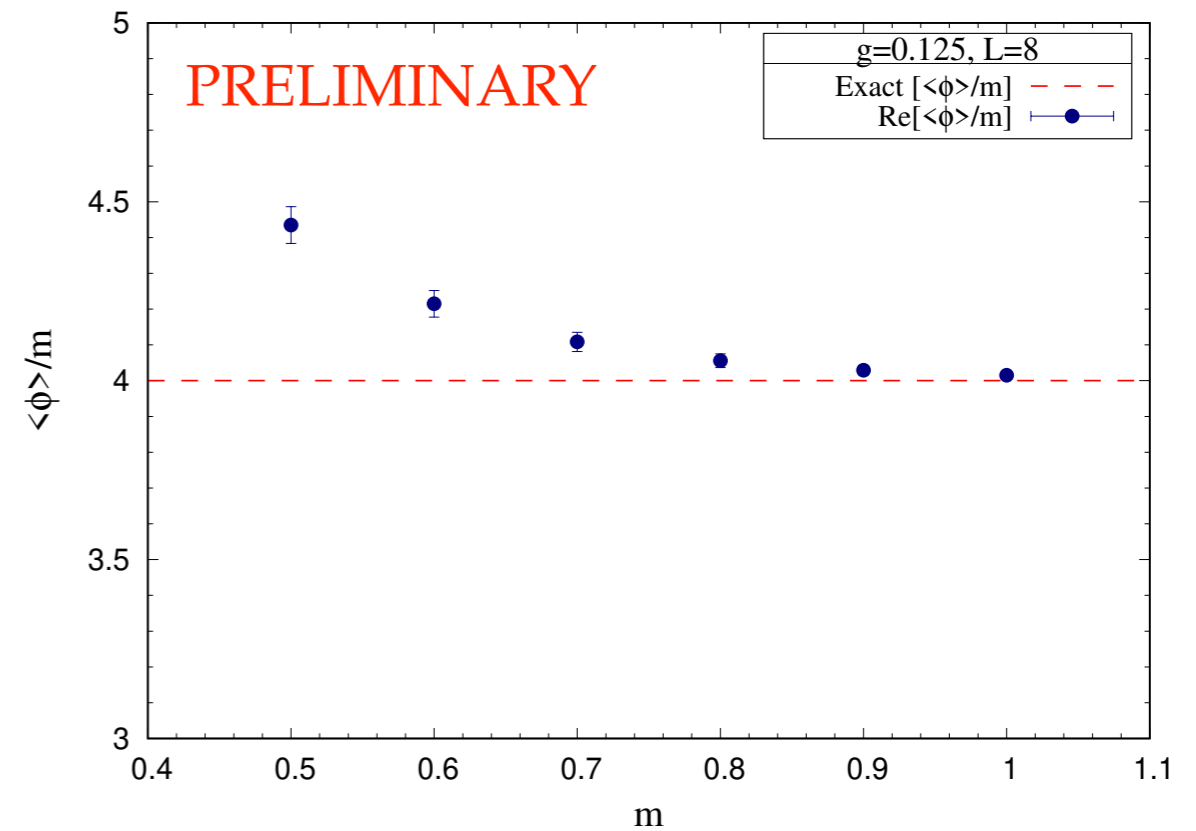
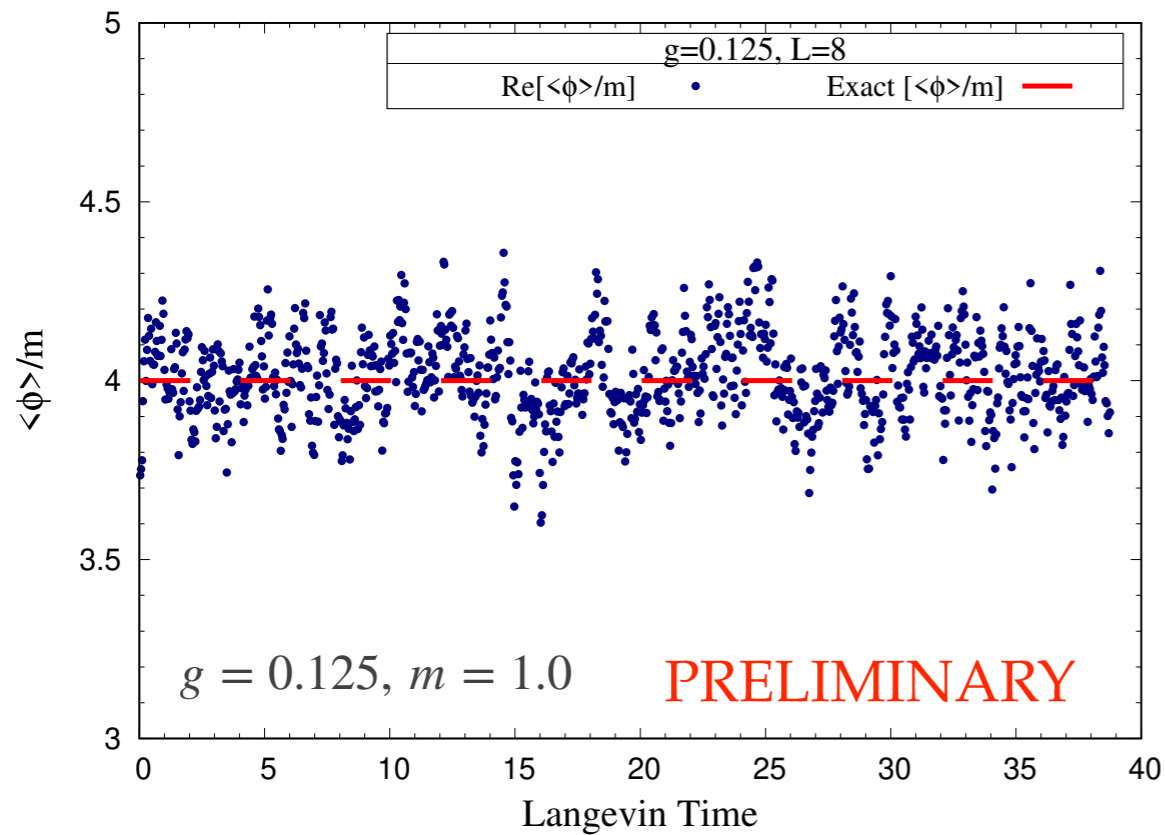
$$P'_{rr'} = \frac{\partial P_r}{\partial \phi_r'} = 2g\phi_r \delta_{rr'} - \square_{rr'}^1 / 2$$

$$\langle \phi \rangle \sim + \frac{m}{2g} / - \frac{m}{2g}$$



# 4. Preliminary Simulations with Quadratic Potential

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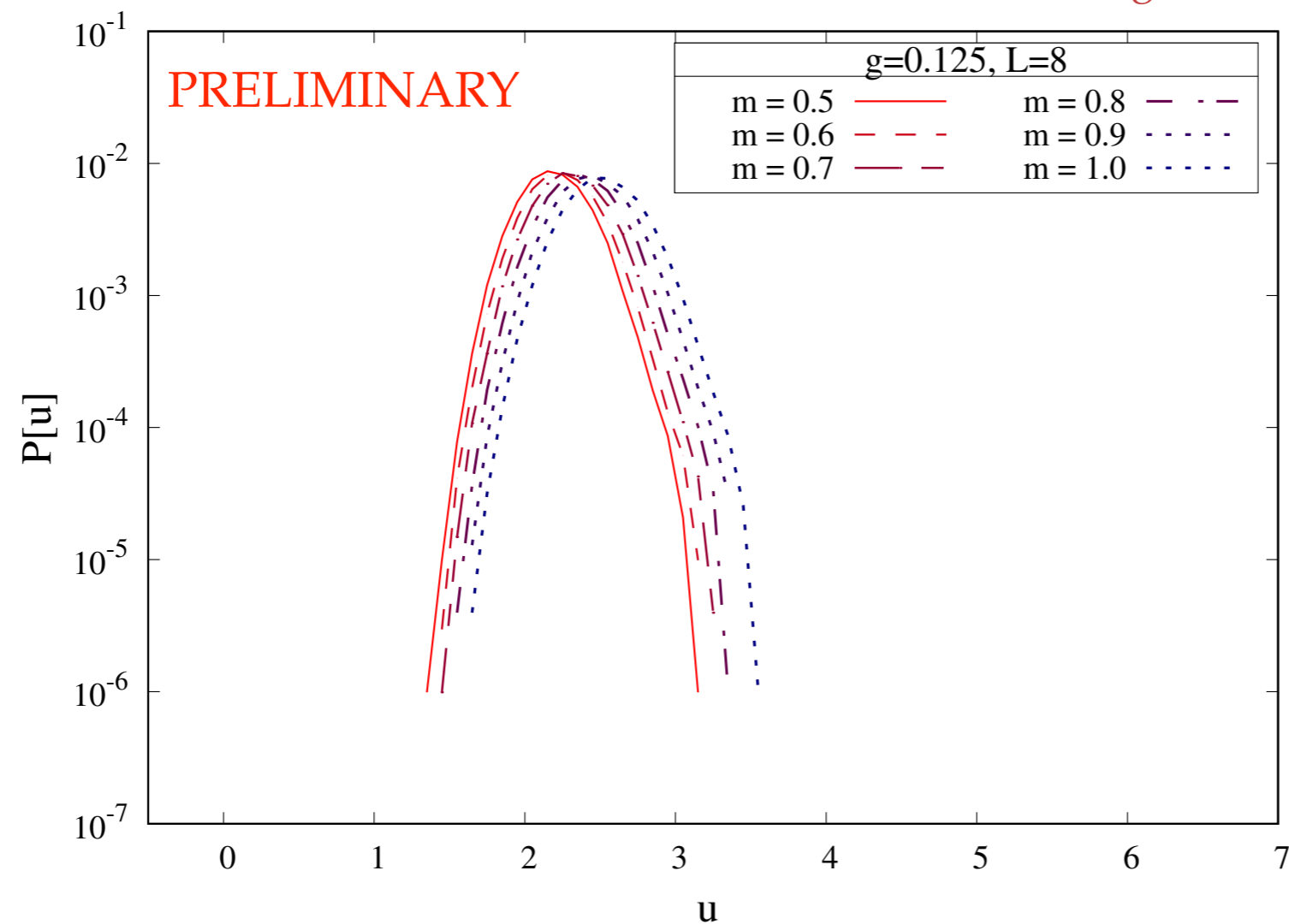
# 4. Model with Quadratic Potential

Reliability of simulations

Decay of the drift term:

$$u = \sqrt{\frac{1}{L^2} \sum_r \left| \frac{\partial S}{\partial \phi_r} \right|^2}$$

Nagata, Nishimura, and Shimasaki (2016)



# 4. Model with $\mathcal{PT}$ - Symmetric Potential

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Work in progress...

Want to cross-check the results of **Bender and Milton (1998)**

Using complex Langevin simulations

Will breaking of  $\mathcal{PT}$ -symmetry induce breaking of SUSY?

1. Can use complex Langevin to handle complex actions/sign problem.
2. Work in progress to investigate non-perturbative SUSY breaking 2d models with PT symmetry.
3. Further along the road - Implications for Higgs physics and MSSM in 4d.

# Thank You!

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# 4. Complex Langevin for Lattice $\mathcal{N} = 1$ WZ Model 21

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Update field using

$$\frac{\partial S_b}{\partial \phi_s} = - \square_{rr'}^2 \phi_{r'} + P_r \quad ; \quad \frac{\partial S_f}{\partial \phi_s} = - \text{tr} \left[ \frac{\partial Q}{\partial \phi_s} Q^{-1} \right]$$