

# The conformal window in theories beyond QCD

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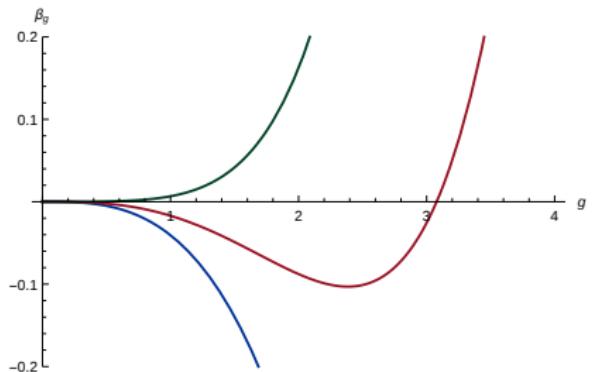
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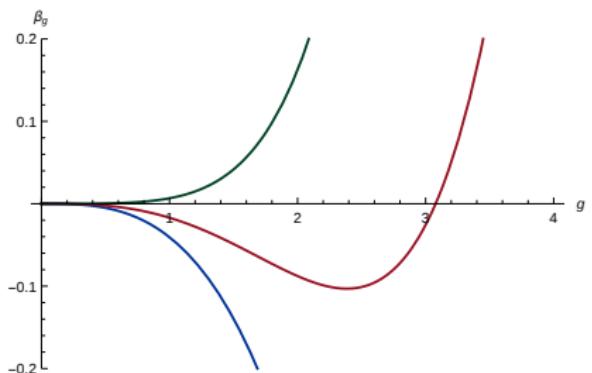
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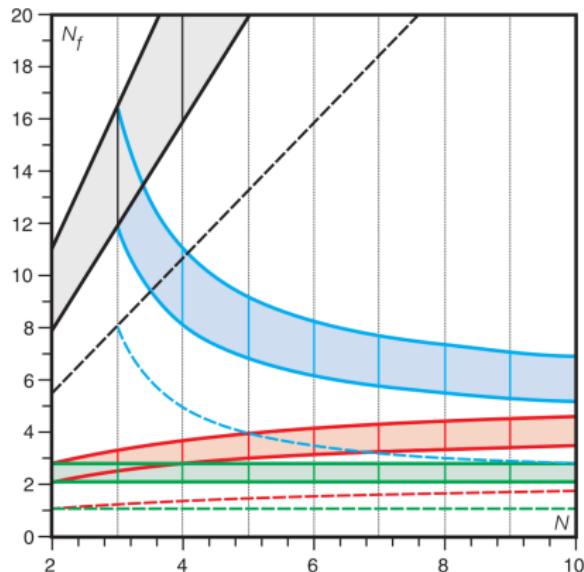
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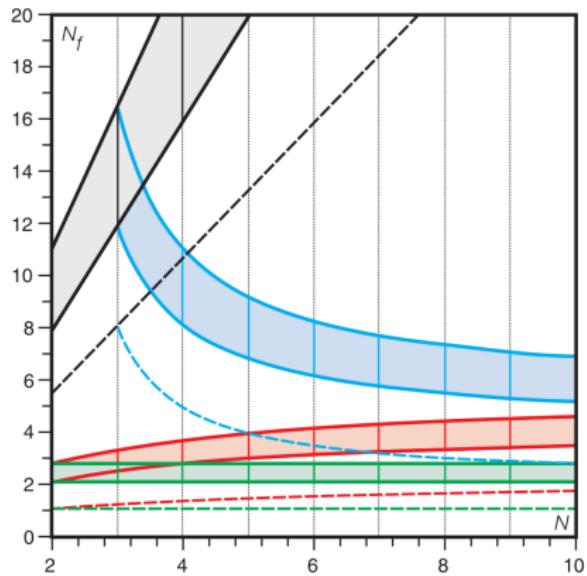
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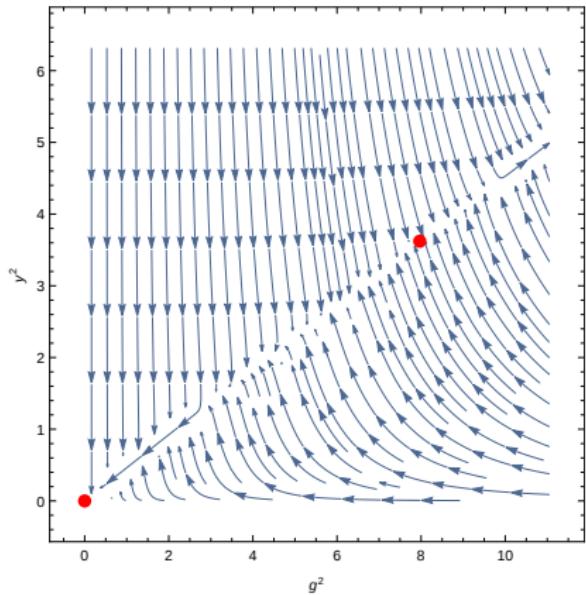
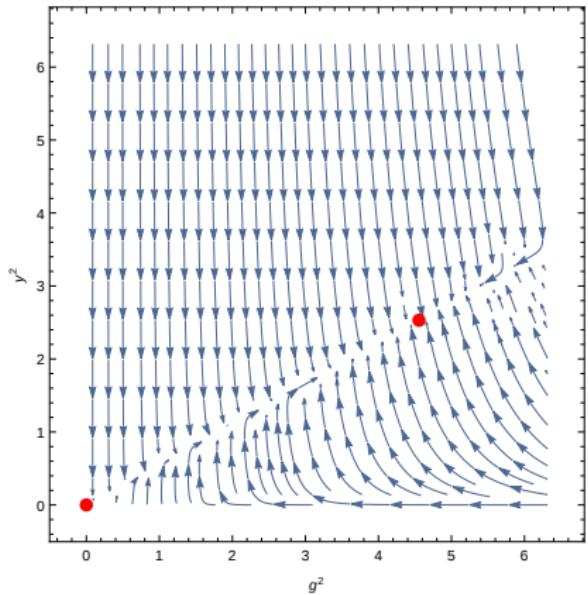
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# Renormalization group flows



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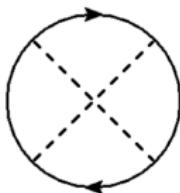
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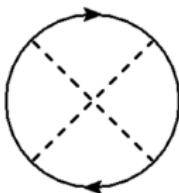
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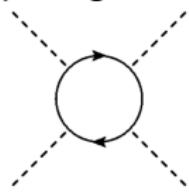


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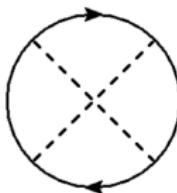


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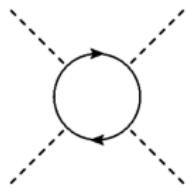


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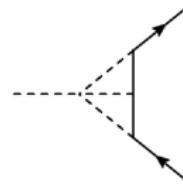
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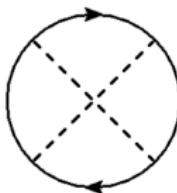


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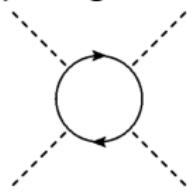


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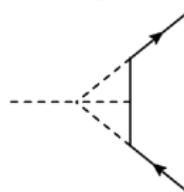
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# Perturbative toy model

Antipin, Mojaza & Sannino; arXiv:1107.2932

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Table : The field content of the toy model and the related symmetries

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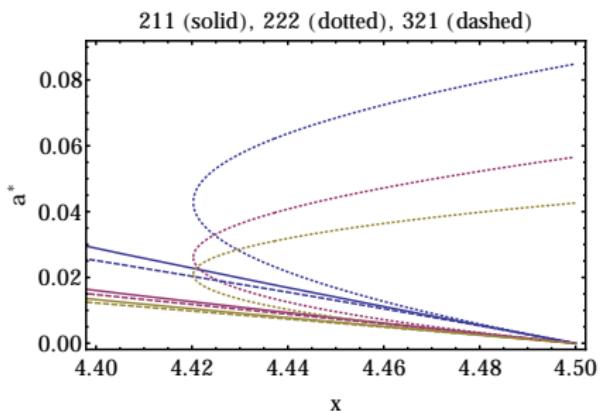
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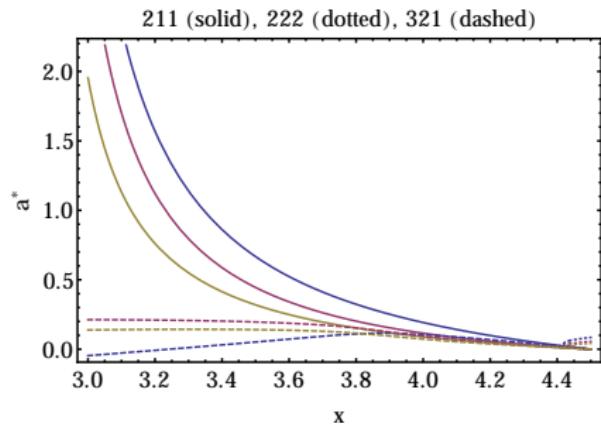
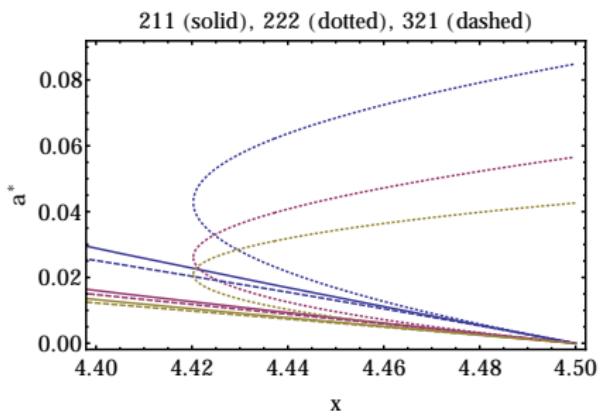
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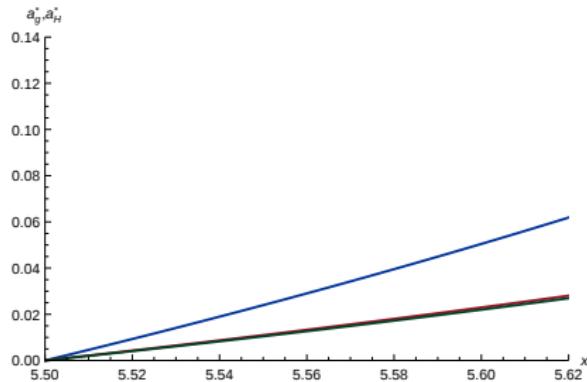
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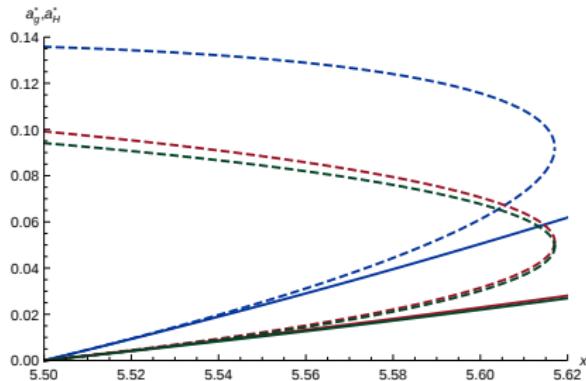


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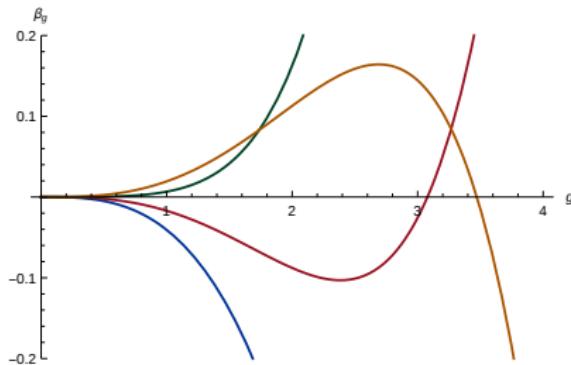
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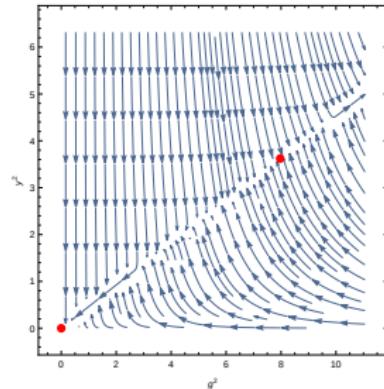
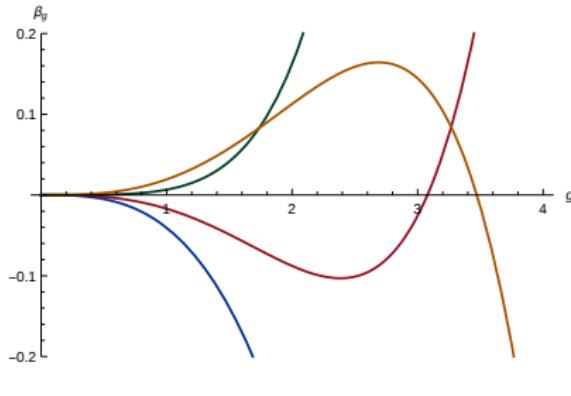
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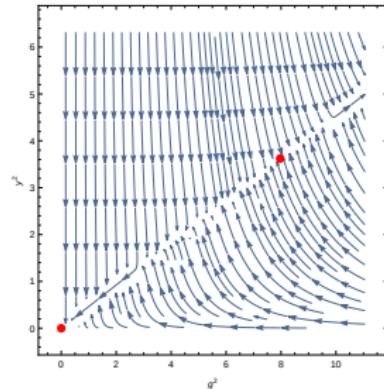
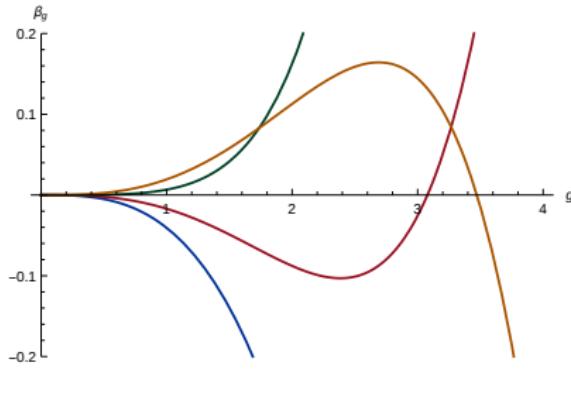
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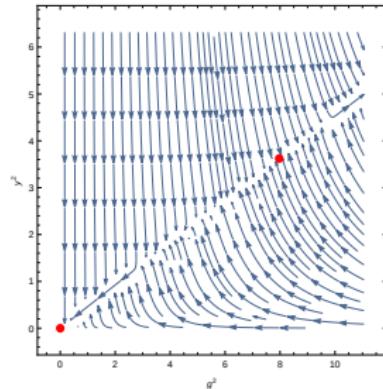
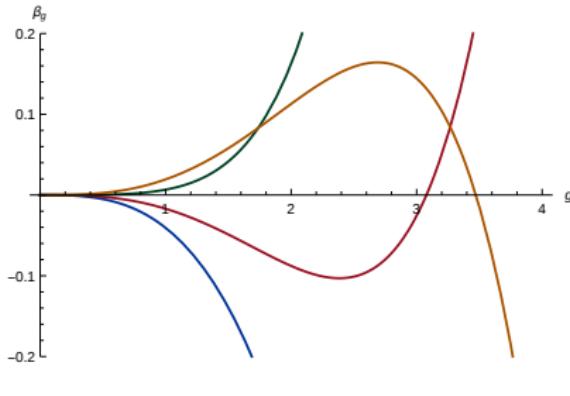
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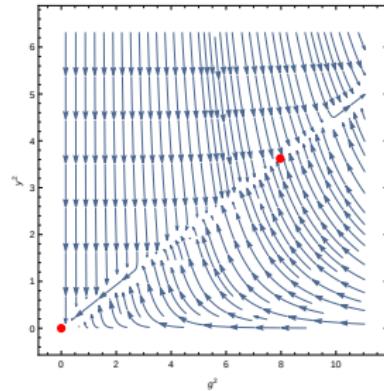
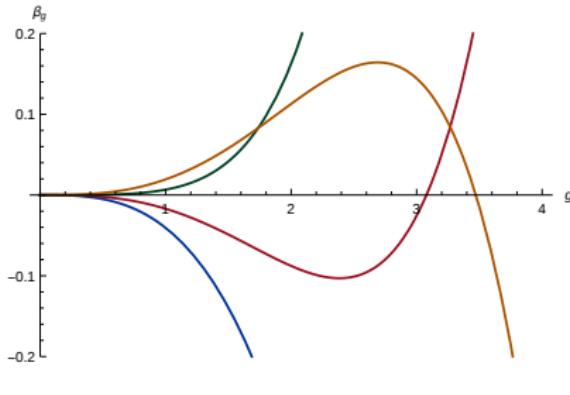
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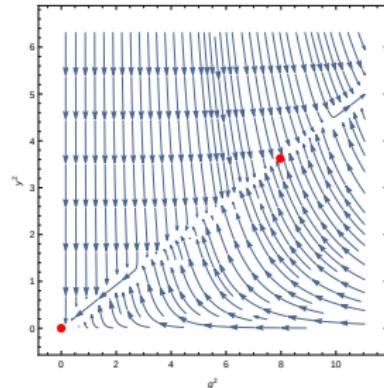
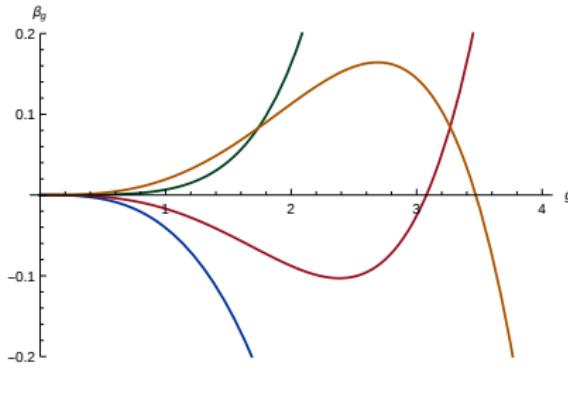
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