

# Generalized F-Theorem and the Epsilon-Expansion

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Fei, SG, Klebanov, Tarnopolsky, to appear

# The c-theorem

- A deep problem in QFT is how to define a “good” measure of the number of degrees of freedom which decreases along RG flows
- In  $d=2$ , this was solved by Alexander Zamolodchikov, who constructed a *c-function* which monotonically decreases under RG flow and is stationary at fixed points. At RG fixed points, this c-function is equal to the CFT central charge, which is also the Weyl anomaly

$$\langle T^\mu_\mu \rangle = -\frac{c}{12} \mathcal{R}$$

- The central charge can also be found from the Euclidean path integral on a two-sphere of radius  $R$

$$F = -\log Z_{S^2} = -c/3 \log R + \dots$$

# The a-theorem

- In  $d=4$  there are two Weyl anomaly coefficients

$$\langle T^\mu_\mu \rangle = -\frac{a}{16\pi^2} (\mathcal{R}^2_{\mu\nu\lambda\rho} - 4\mathcal{R}^2_{\mu\nu} + \mathcal{R}^2) + \frac{c}{16\pi^2} W^2_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}$$

- The  $a$ -coefficient, which multiplies the 4d Euler density, can be extracted from the Euclidean path integral on the 4d sphere:

$$F = -\log Z_{S^4} = a \log R + \dots$$

- Cardy conjectured that  $a$  decreases along any RG flow

$$a_{UV} > a_{IR}$$

- A proof was provided a few years ago (*Komargodski, Schwimmer*)
- Natural to propose a generalization to all even  $d$ . In  $d=6$ , no general proof, but evidence from supersymmetric CFT's (*Cordova, Dumitrescu, Yin; Cordova, Dumitrescu, Intriligator*)

# The F-theorem

- How do we extend these successes to odd dimensions where there are no anomalies? This is physically interesting, especially in  $d=3$  where there are many CFTs, some of them describing critical points in statistical mechanics and condensed matter physics
- Consider the free energy on the 3-sphere

$$F = -\log Z_{S^3}$$

- In a CFT, after removing power-like divergences (e.g. by zeta or dimensional regulator), it is a well-defined, finite and radius independent number

# The F-theorem

- Guided by evidence from  $N=2$  susy models, perturbative fixed points and holography, it was proposed that any RG flow between unitary CFT's satisfies the *F-theorem*  
(Myers, Sinha; Jafferis, Klebanov, Pufu, Safdi)

$$F_{UV} > F_{IR}$$

- F is also related to the universal term in the entanglement entropy across a circle of radius R in any 2+1 dimensional CFT (Casini, Huerta, Myers)
- This connection was used to prove the  $d=3$  F-theorem (Casini, Huerta)
- Conjectural extension for all odd  $d$ : what decreases under RG is  $\tilde{F} = (-1)^{\frac{d+1}{2}} F = (-1)^{\frac{d-1}{2}} \log Z_{S^d}$  (Klebanov, Pufu, Safdi)

# Sphere free energy in continuous $d$

- Is there some interpolation between “F-theorems” in odd  $d$  and “ $a$ -theorems” in even  $d$ ?
- It is natural to study the dimensional continuation of the sphere free energy: the Euclidean path integral of the CFT on  $S^d$ , continued to non-integer  $d$
- Consider the quantity ( $SG$ , *Klebanov*)

$$\tilde{F} = \sin(\pi d/2) \log Z_{S^d} = -\sin(\pi d/2) F$$

- In even  $d$ ,  $F$  has a pole in dimensional regularization whose residue is related to the Weyl  $a$ -anomaly. The multiplication by the factor  $\sin(\pi d/2)$  removes the pole and yields the anomaly coefficient
- In odd  $d$ , it yields the F-values  $\tilde{F} = (-1)^{\frac{d+1}{2}} F = (-1)^{\frac{d-1}{2}} \log Z_{S^d}$

# Generalized F-theorem in continuous d?

- Therefore,  $\tilde{F}$  smoothly interpolates between  $a$ -anomaly coefficients in even  $d$  and “F-values” in odd  $d$
- Based on the existing F- and a-theorems, it is natural to ask whether a “generalized F-theorem” holds in arbitrary dimension  $d$

$$\tilde{F}_{UV} > \tilde{F}_{IR}$$

- We have calculated  $\tilde{F}$  in several examples of CFTs that can be defined in continuous dimension, including double-trace flows at large  $N$ , weakly relevant flows, and perturbative fixed points in the  $\varepsilon$ -expansion
- In all *unitary* examples we considered, we find that  $\tilde{F}$  indeed decreases under RG flow. (For non-unitary fixed points, the inequality  $\tilde{F}_{UV} > \tilde{F}_{IR}$  typically does *not* hold.)
- Note: this is a statement about the value of  $\tilde{F}$  at fixed points. We do not construct a monotonic function defined along the RG trajectory

# Free conformal scalar in continuous $d$

- For a free conformally coupled scalar on  $S^d$ , the free energy in general  $d$  can be computed to be (*SG, Klebanov*)

$$\begin{aligned} F_s &= \frac{1}{2} \log \det \left( -\nabla^2 + \frac{1}{4}d(d-2) \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{\sin(\frac{\pi d}{2})\Gamma(1+d)} \int_0^1 du \, u \sin \pi u \, \Gamma\left(\frac{d}{2} + u\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{d}{2} - u\right) \end{aligned}$$

- Near even  $d$ , it has simple poles whose coefficients are the  $a$ -anomalies.
- For example, in  $d = 4 - \epsilon$

$$F_s = \frac{1}{90\epsilon} + \dots$$

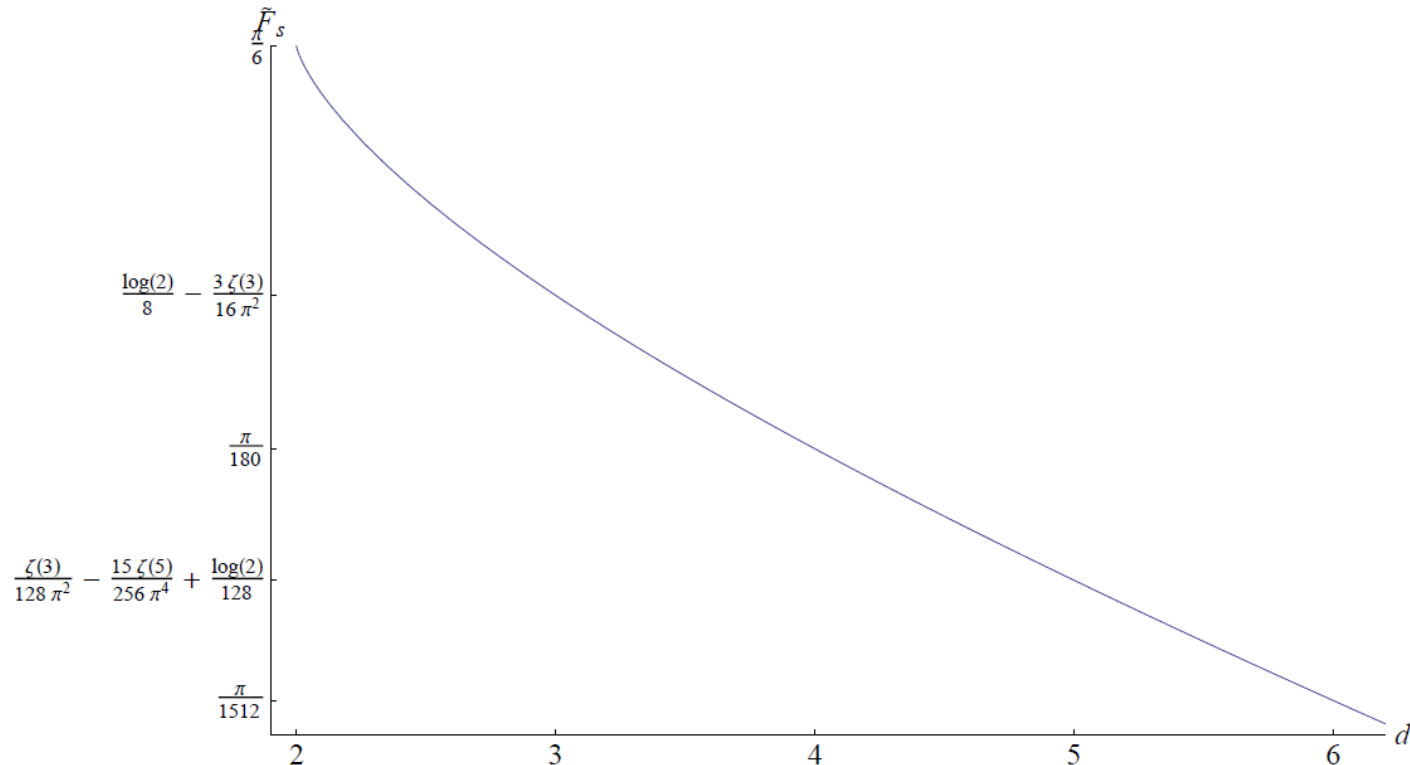


# Free conformal scalar in continuous d

- The value of  $\tilde{F} = -\sin(\pi d/2)F$  is then given by

$$\tilde{F}_s = \frac{1}{\Gamma(1+d)} \int_0^1 du u \sin \pi u \Gamma\left(\frac{d}{2} + u\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{d}{2} - u\right)$$

- This is *positive* for all  $d$  and smoothly interpolates between  $a$  and  $F$



# Double-Trace Flows

- Consider a large  $N$  CFT perturbed by a double-trace operator

$$S_{\text{CFT}_\lambda} = S_{\text{CFT}} + \lambda \int d^d x O_\Delta^2$$

- $O_\Delta$  is a single trace scalar primary with dimension  $\Delta$  in the unperturbed CFT
- When  $\Delta < d/2$  the perturbation is relevant, and there is a flow to an IR fixed point where  $O_\Delta$  has dimension  $d-\Delta+O(1/N)$  (*Gubser, Klebanov*)
- The change in  $F$  on  $S^d$  between UV and IR at large  $N$  is

$$\delta F_\Delta = F_{IR} - F_{UV} = \frac{1}{2} \log \det \langle O_\Delta O_\Delta \rangle_0 + \mathcal{O}(1/N)$$

# Double-Trace Flows

- The 2-point function on the sphere is fixed in terms of the chordal distance  $s(x,y)$

$$\langle O_{\Delta}(x)O_{\Delta}(y)\rangle_0 = \frac{1}{s(x,y)^{2\Delta}}$$

- Its determinant can be computed explicitly by decomposing in spherical harmonics. In arbitrary  $d$  one gets the result (*Gubser, Klebanov; Diaz, Dorn*)

$$\delta F_{\Delta} = -\frac{1}{\sin(\frac{\pi d}{2})\Gamma(1+d)} \int_0^{\Delta-\frac{d}{2}} du u \sin \pi u \Gamma\left(\frac{d}{2}+u\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{d}{2}-u\right)$$

# Double-Trace Flows

- In terms of  $\tilde{F} = -\sin(\pi d/2)F$ , we then find

$$\delta\tilde{F}_\Delta = \frac{1}{\Gamma(1+d)} \int_0^{\Delta-\frac{d}{2}} du u \sin \pi u \Gamma\left(\frac{d}{2}+u\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{d}{2}-u\right)$$

- In a unitary CFT,  $\Delta \geq d/2-1$ , and recall  $\Delta < d/2$  for relevant perturbations. Then one can see that  $\delta\tilde{F}_\Delta < 0$  for all  $d$ , or:

$$\tilde{F}_{UV} > \tilde{F}_{IR}$$

- This shows that double-trace flows in large N unitary CFT's obey the generalized F-theorem in arbitrary  $d$
- An analogous calculation applies to the large N unitary UV fixed points that arise when  $d/2 < \Delta < d/2+1$  (e.g. the  $d=3$  critical Gross-Neveu model)

# Interacting $O(N)$ models in $4 < d < 6$

- Consider the  $O(N)$  models with quartic interaction

$$S = \int d^d x \left( \frac{1}{2} (\partial \phi^i)^2 + \frac{\lambda}{4} (\phi^i \phi^i)^2 \right)$$

- In  $4 < d < 6$ , the model has large  $N$  unitary UV fixed points (*Parisi '75*), well defined to all orders in  $1/N$
- Dual to Vasiliev higher spin gravity in  $AdS_6$  with non-standard boundary conditions ( $\Delta=2$ ) on the bulk scalar (*SG, Klebanov, Safdi*)
- The same  $4 < d < 6$  fixed points can be described as IR fixed points of the cubic model (*Fei, SG, Klebanov*)

$$S = \int d^d x \left( \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \phi^i)^2 + \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \sigma)^2 + \frac{g_1}{2} \sigma \phi^i \phi^i + \frac{g_2}{6} \sigma^3 \right)$$

# Interacting $O(N)$ models in $4 < d < 6$

- In the cubic description, RG flow is from the free theory of  $N+1$  scalars in the UV to the  $O(N)$  interacting theory in the IR. Perturbatively unitary in  $d=6-\varepsilon$  for sufficiently large  $N$   
(*Fei, SG, Klebanov; Fei, SG, Klebanov, Tarnopolsky*)
- The two descriptions, as either the IR fixed point of the cubic theory or UV fixed point of the quartic theory, imply that  $F$  should satisfy the inequalities

$$N\tilde{F}_{\text{free sc.}} < \tilde{F}_{\text{crit.}} < (N+1)\tilde{F}_{\text{free sc.}}$$

# A test of the 5d F-theorem

- In  $d=5$ , using the large  $N$  results for double-trace flows, one finds

$$\tilde{F}_{\text{crit}} = N \tilde{F}_{\text{free sc.}} + \frac{3\zeta(5) + \pi^2\zeta(3)}{96\pi^4} + \mathcal{O}(1/N)$$

- We see that the correction is positive, so that the left side of the inequality  $N \tilde{F}_{\text{free sc.}} < \tilde{F}_{\text{crit.}} < (N+1) \tilde{F}_{\text{free sc.}}$  is satisfied
- The right hand side is also satisfied, because

$$\frac{3\zeta(5) + \pi^2\zeta(3)}{96\pi^4} \simeq 0.001601$$

is smaller than the value of  $\tilde{F}$  for a 5d free scalar

$$\tilde{F}_{\text{free sc.}} = \frac{\log 2}{128} + \frac{\zeta(3)}{128\pi^2} - \frac{15\zeta(5)}{256\pi^4} \simeq 0.00574$$

- Using the continuous  $d$  results, one can also show that the same inequalities are satisfied in the full range  $4 < d < 6$ , supporting the generalized F-theorem

# Weakly Relevant Flows

- Another general class of RG flows that one can study are those obtained by perturbing a CFT by a slightly relevant operator  $O(x)$  with dimension  $\Delta = d - \epsilon$  ( $\epsilon \ll 1$ )

$$S_g = S_{\text{CFT}_0} + g_b \int d^d x O(x)$$

- Working in conformal perturbation theory, the relation between bare coupling  $g_b$  and renormalized one, and the corresponding  $\beta$  function, are

$$g_b = \mu^\epsilon \left( g + \frac{C \pi^{d/2}}{\Gamma(d/2)} \frac{g^2}{\epsilon} + O(g^3) \right) \quad \beta(g) = -\epsilon g + \frac{\pi^{\frac{d}{2}}}{\Gamma(\frac{d}{2})} C g^2 + O(g^3)$$

- Here  $C = \mathcal{C}_3 / \mathcal{C}_2$ , where

$$\langle O(x)O(y) \rangle_0 = \frac{\mathcal{C}_2}{|x - y|^{2\Delta}} \quad \langle O(x)O(y)O(z) \rangle_0 = \frac{\mathcal{C}_3}{|x - y|^\Delta |y - z|^\Delta |z - x|^\Delta}$$



# Weakly Relevant Flows

- There is a perturbative IR fixed point,  $\beta(g_*) = 0$ , at

$$g_* = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{d}{2}\right) \epsilon}{\pi^{\frac{d}{2}} C} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$$

- To compute the change in  $F$  from UV to IR, we conformally map to the sphere  $S^d$  and obtain

$$\delta F = F - F_0 = -\frac{g_b^2}{2} C_2 I_2(d - \epsilon) + \frac{g_b^3}{6} C_3 I_3(d - \epsilon) + \mathcal{O}(g_b^4)$$

- $I_2$  and  $I_3$  are the 2-point and 3-point integrals on  $S^d$  (*Cardy*)

$$I_2(\Delta) = \int \frac{d^d x d^d y \sqrt{g_x} \sqrt{g_y}}{s(x, y)^{2\Delta}} = (2R)^{2(d-\Delta)} \frac{2^{1-d} \pi^{d+\frac{1}{2}} \Gamma\left(\frac{d}{2} - \Delta\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{d+1}{2}\right) \Gamma(d - \Delta)},$$

$$I_3(\Delta) = \int \frac{d^d x d^d y d^d z \sqrt{g_x} \sqrt{g_y} \sqrt{g_z}}{[s(x, y) s(y, z) s(z, x)]^\Delta} = R^{3(d-\Delta)} \frac{8\pi^{\frac{3(1+d)}{2}} \Gamma(d - \frac{3\Delta}{2})}{\Gamma(d) \Gamma(\frac{1+d-\Delta}{2})^3}$$

# Weakly Relevant Flows

- In terms of the renormalized coupling  $g$ , one obtains the result for the change of  $\tilde{F} = -\sin(\pi d/2)F$

$$\delta\tilde{F} = \frac{2\pi^{1+d}\mathcal{C}_2}{\Gamma(1+d)} \left[ -\frac{1}{2}\epsilon g^2 + \frac{1}{3} \frac{\pi^{\frac{d}{2}}}{\Gamma(\frac{d}{2})} C g^3 \right] = \frac{2\pi^{1+d}\mathcal{C}_2}{\Gamma(1+d)} \int_0^g \beta(g) dg$$

- At the fixed point  $g=g_*$  we find

$$\delta\tilde{F} = \tilde{F}_{\text{IR}} - \tilde{F}_{\text{UV}} = -\frac{\pi\Gamma(\frac{d}{2})^2}{\Gamma(1+d)} \frac{\mathcal{C}_2}{3C^2} \epsilon^3$$

- In a unitary CFT,  $\mathcal{C}_2$  is positive and  $C$  is real, so we find agreement with the generalized F-theorem in all  $d$ :

$$\tilde{F}_{\text{UV}} > \tilde{F}_{\text{IR}}$$

- This generalizes to continuous  $d$  previous computations in odd  $d$  (Klebanov, Pufu, Safdi) and even  $d$  (Komargodski)

# Sphere free energy and the $\varepsilon$ -expansion

- The fact that  $\tilde{F}$  is a smooth function of dimension suggests that, in the spirit of the Wilson-Fisher  $\varepsilon$ -expansion, it may provide us with a useful tool to estimate the value of  $F$  for interacting CFT's for which it is hard to make calculations directly in the physical dimension
- For example, we can consider the 3d Ising model, and more generally the critical  $O(N)$  CFT's in  $d=3$
- They are strongly coupled CFT's in  $d=3$ , but they have a perturbative description in  $d=4-\varepsilon$

# The $O(N)$ models in $d=4-\varepsilon$

$$S = \int d^d x \left( \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \phi_0^i)^2 + \frac{\lambda_0}{4} (\phi_0^i \phi_0^i)^2 \right)$$

$$\beta = -\epsilon \lambda + \frac{N+8}{8\pi^2} \lambda^2 - \frac{3(3N+14)}{64\pi^4} \lambda^3 + \dots$$

$$\lambda_* = \frac{8\pi^2}{N+8} \epsilon + \frac{24(3N+14)\pi^2}{(N+8)^3} \epsilon^2 + \dots$$

- For  $N=1$ ,  $\varepsilon=1$  we get the 3d Ising model.  $N=1$ ,  $\varepsilon=2$  corresponds to the 2d Ising CFT with central charge  $c=1/2$
- The  $\varepsilon$ -expansion (coupled with resummation techniques) has proved successful for estimating operator dimensions and critical exponents in the  $d=3$  interacting CFT's
- Following a similar approach, we can compute the sphere free energy perturbatively and extrapolate the results to  $\varepsilon=1$  to estimate the value of  $F$  for 3d Ising and related models

# The Wilson-Fisher fixed points in curved space

- To renormalize the theory in curved space in  $d=4-\epsilon$ , one starts with the bare action (*Brown-Collins '80; Hathrell '82*)

$$S = \int d^d x \sqrt{g} \left( \frac{1}{2} ((\partial_\mu \phi_0^i)^2 + \frac{d-2}{4(d-1)} \mathcal{R}(\phi_0^i)^2) + \frac{\lambda_0}{4} (\phi_0^i \phi_0^i)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \eta_0 H(\phi_0^i)^2 + a_0 W^2 + b_0 E + c_0 H^2 \right)$$

$$W^2 = \mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu\lambda\rho} \mathcal{R}^{\mu\nu\lambda\rho} - \frac{4}{d-2} \mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu} \mathcal{R}^{\mu\nu} + \frac{2}{(d-2)(d-1)} \mathcal{R}^2 \quad H = \frac{\mathcal{R}}{d-1}$$

$$E = \mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu\lambda\rho} \mathcal{R}^{\mu\nu\lambda\rho} - 4 \mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu} \mathcal{R}^{\mu\nu} + \mathcal{R}^2$$

- Divergences in the free energy are removed by expressing all bare couplings in terms of renormalized ones

$$\lambda_0 = \mu^\epsilon \left( \lambda + \frac{(N+8)}{8\pi^2\epsilon} \lambda^2 + \dots \right),$$

$$a_0 = \mu^{-\epsilon} \left( a + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{L_a^{(i)}(\lambda)}{\epsilon^i} \right), \quad b_0 = \mu^{-\epsilon} \left( b + \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{L_b^{(i)}(\lambda)}{\epsilon^i} \right), \quad \text{etc.}$$

# The Wilson-Fisher fixed points in curved space

- Each renormalized coupling  $\lambda, a, b, \dots$  then acquires a non-trivial beta function  $\beta_\lambda, \beta_a, \beta_b, \dots$
- The renormalized free energy is a finite function of the renormalized couplings and renormalization scale  $\mu$  that satisfies the Callan-Symanzik equation

$$\left( \mu \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} + \beta_\lambda \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} + \beta_\eta \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} + \beta_a \frac{\partial}{\partial a} + \beta_b \frac{\partial}{\partial b} + \beta_c \frac{\partial}{\partial c} \right) F = 0$$

- The conformally invariant IR fixed point is obtained by setting to zero *all* beta functions in  $d=4-\varepsilon$

$$\beta_\lambda = \beta_a = \beta_b = \beta_c = \beta_\eta = 0$$

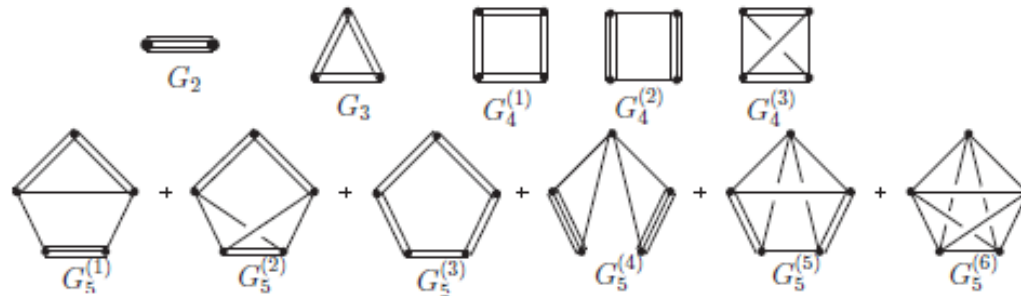
- The sphere free-energy at the IR fixed point in  $d=4-\varepsilon$

$$F_{\text{IR}}(\epsilon) = F(\lambda_*, a_*, b_*, c_*, \eta_*, \mu R)$$

is then a  $R$ -independent quantity which is a function of  $\varepsilon$  only

# F for the $O(N)$ scalar theory in $d=4-\epsilon$

- We performed a perturbative calculation of  $F$  to order  $\lambda^5$  (*Fei, SG, Klebanov, Tarnpolsky, to appear*), i.e. up to 6-loops



- The poles in the above diagrams fix the curvature beta functions to the needed order. At the IR fixed point, we get the final result for  $\tilde{F} = -\sin(\pi d/2)F$  :

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{F}_{\text{IR}} = & N \tilde{F}_s(\epsilon) - \frac{\pi N(N+2)\epsilon^3}{576(N+8)^2} - \frac{\pi N(N+2)(13N^2 + 370N + 1588)\epsilon^4}{6912(N+8)^4} \\ & + \frac{\pi N(N+2)}{414720(N+8)^6} (10368(N+8)(5N+22)\zeta(3) - 647N^4 - 32152N^3 \\ & - 606576N^2 - 3939520N + 30\pi^2(N+8)^4 - 8451008) \epsilon^5 + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^6) \end{aligned}$$

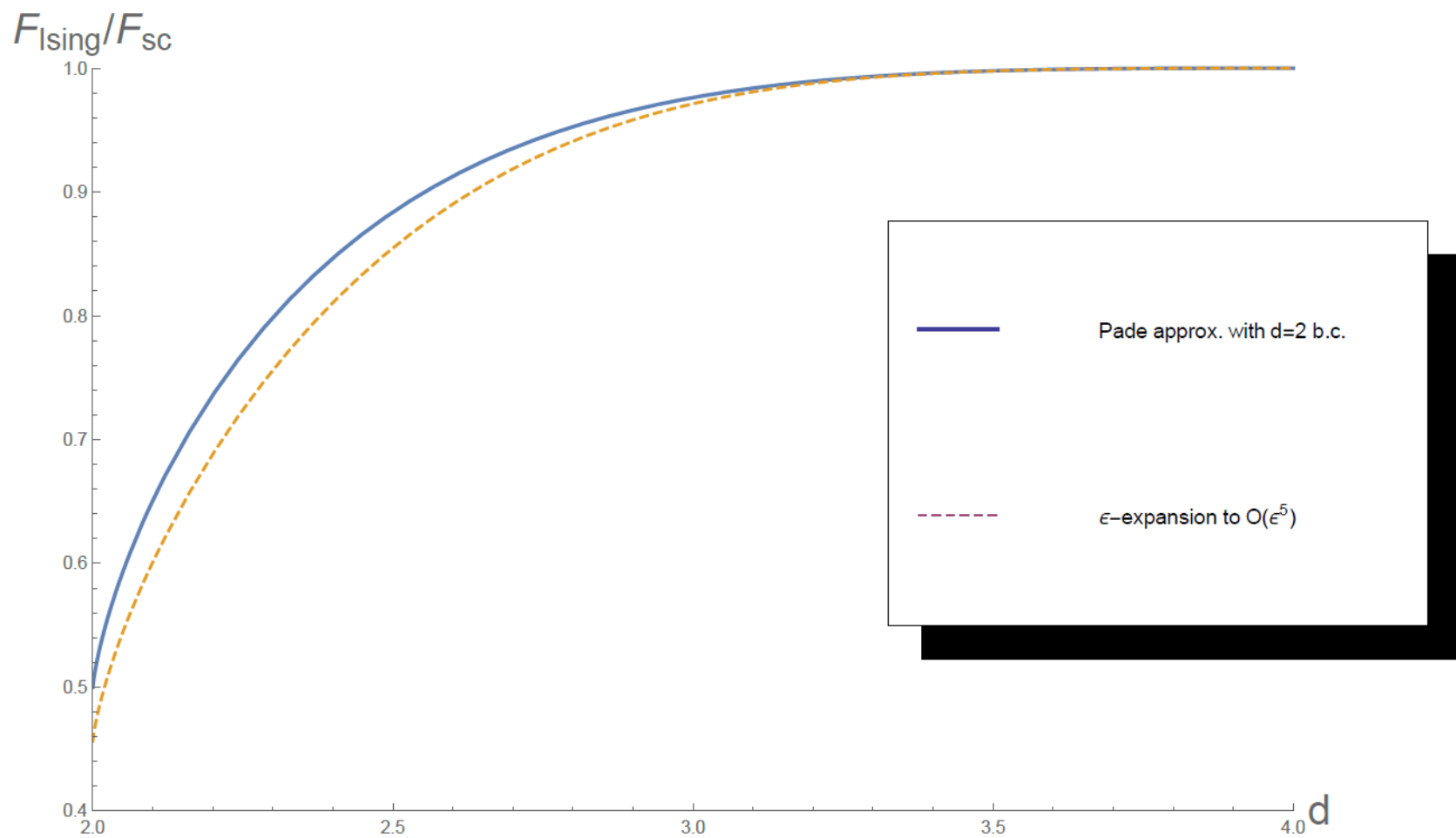
# Estimating F for the 3d Ising model

- Extracting precise estimates from the  $\varepsilon$ -expansion typically requires some resummation technique. A simple approach is to use Padé approximants

$$\text{Padé}_{[m,n]}(\epsilon) = \frac{A_0 + A_1\epsilon + A_2\epsilon^2 + \dots + A_m\epsilon^m}{1 + B_1\epsilon + B_2\epsilon^2 + \dots + B_n\epsilon^n}$$

- For the Ising model ( $N=1$ ), we expect  $\tilde{F}$  to be a smooth function of  $d$ , such that near  $d=4$  it reproduces the perturbative  $\varepsilon$ -expansion, and in  $d=2$  it reproduces the exact central charge of the 2d Ising CFT,  $c=1/2$
- The accuracy of the Padé approximants can be greatly improved if we impose the exact value  $c=1/2$  (which in terms of  $\tilde{F}$  corresponds to  $\tilde{F} = \pi/12$ ) as a boundary condition at  $d=2$





$$\tilde{F} = \tilde{F}_s + \tilde{F}_{\text{int}} = \frac{\pi}{180} + 0.0205991\epsilon + 0.0136429\epsilon^2 + 0.00670643\epsilon^3 + 0.00264883\epsilon^4 + 0.000927589\epsilon^5 + O(\epsilon^6)$$

$$\tilde{F}_s = \frac{\pi}{180} + 0.0205991\epsilon + 0.0136429\epsilon^2 + 0.00690843\epsilon^3 + 0.00305846\epsilon^4 + 0.0012722\epsilon^5 + O(\epsilon^6)$$

# Estimating F for the 3d Ising model

- Using the constrained Pade approximant method, we get the estimate

$$F_{3d \text{ Ising}} \approx 0.0623, \quad \frac{F_{3d \text{ Ising}}}{F_{\text{free sc.}}} \approx 0.97$$

- The value of F (and hence of the disk entanglement entropy) for 3d Ising appears to be extremely close to the free field value!
- A qualitatively similar result was found for  $C_T$  in the conformal bootstrap approach

$$c_T^{3d \text{ Ising}} / c_T^{3d \text{ free scalar}} \approx 0.9466$$

(El-Showk, Paulos, Poland, Rychkov, Simmons-Duffin, Vichi)

# Conclusion and summary

- We studied dimensional continuation of the sphere free energy and provided evidence for a generalized F-theorem in continuous  $d$ , interpolating between F-theorems in odd  $d$  and  $a$ -theorems in even  $d$ .

The quantity that decreases under RG flow is

$$\tilde{F} = \sin(\pi d/2) \log Z_{S^d} = -\sin(\pi d/2) F$$

- The  $\varepsilon$ -expansion of  $\tilde{F}$  can be used to estimate the values of  $F$  for interesting CFTs
- For the critical 3d Ising model it is only a few percent lower than for the free conformal scalar
- Can this result be compared with a numerical calculation of the Entanglement Entropy for the 3d Ising model?

# Comments on SUSY theories

- Using the dimensional reduction scheme in  $d=4-\varepsilon$  (which preserves SUSY), one can smoothly connect theories with 4 supercharges in  $d=4,3,2$
- For models with several chiral superfields (no gauge fields), and with  $U(1)_R$  symmetry, we proposed a natural version of localization in  $2 \leq d \leq 4$  (SG, Klebanov). The exact  $\tilde{F}$  is given by

$$\tilde{F} = \sum_{\text{chirals}} \tilde{\mathcal{F}}(\Delta_i) \quad \text{trial R-charges: } R_i = 2\Delta_i/(d-1)$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}}(\Delta) = 2(\tilde{F}_s + \tilde{F}_f) + \int_{d/2-1}^{\Delta} dx \frac{\Gamma(d-1-x) \Gamma(x) \sin(\pi(x - \frac{d}{2}))}{\Gamma(d-1)}$$

- If the  $\Delta_i$  are not all determined by superpotential, they are fixed by extremizing  $\tilde{F}$  with respect the  $\Delta_i$

# Comments on SUSY theories

- This smoothly interpolates between the known results in  $d=4,3,2$ :

$$d = 4 : \quad \tilde{\mathcal{F}}(\Delta = 3/2R) = \frac{3\pi}{16}(R-1)(3(R-1)^2 - 1)$$

$$d = 3 : \quad \tilde{\mathcal{F}}(\Delta) = -\ell(1 - \Delta) \quad (\text{Jafferis' } \ell(z) \text{ function})$$

$$d = 2 : \quad \tilde{\mathcal{F}}(\Delta) = \frac{\pi}{2}(1 - 2\Delta), \quad c = 3 \sum_i (1 - 2\Delta_i)$$

- For explicit examples such as  $W = X^3$ ,  $W = X \sum_{i=1}^N Z_i Z_i$ , which have non-trivial IR fixed points in  $d=4-\varepsilon$  (“super-Ising”, “super  $O(N)$ ”), we checked that this “interpolating localization” prescription precisely agrees with existing loop calculations of anomalous dimensions in these SCFT’s (Ferreira, Jack, Jones), and with direct perturbative calculation of  $F$  in the  $\varepsilon$ -expansion

THANK YOU!