

**Monte Carlo studies of the spontaneous rotational symmetry breaking
in a matrix model with the complex action**

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1 Introduction

Matrix models as a constructive definition of superstring theory

IKKT model (IIB matrix model)

⇒ Promising candidate for the constructive definition of superstring theory.

Ishibashi, Kawai, Kitazawa and Tsuchiya, hep-th/9612115.

$$S = N \left(-\frac{1}{4} \text{tr} [A_\mu, A_\nu]^2 + \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \bar{\psi}_\alpha (\Gamma_\mu)_{\alpha\beta} [A_\mu, \psi_\beta] \right).$$

- A_μ (10d vector) and ψ_α (10d Majorana-Weyl spinor) ⇒ $N \times N$ matrices .
- Evidences for spontaneous breakdown of SO(10) symmetry to SO(4).
Nishimura and Sugino, hep-th/0111102, Kawai, et. al. hep-th/0204240,0211272,0602044,0603146.
- Complex fermion determinant:
 - * Crucial for **rotational symmetry breaking**.
Nishimura and Vernizzi, hep-th/0003223.
 - * **Difficulty of Monte Carlo simulation.**

2 Simplified IKKT model

Simplified model with spontaneous rotational symmetry breakdown

Nishimura, hep-th/0108070.

$$S = \underbrace{\frac{N}{2} \text{tr} A_\mu^2}_{=S_b} - \underbrace{\bar{\psi}_\alpha^f (\Gamma_\mu)_{\alpha\beta} A_\mu \psi_\beta^f}_{=S_f}$$

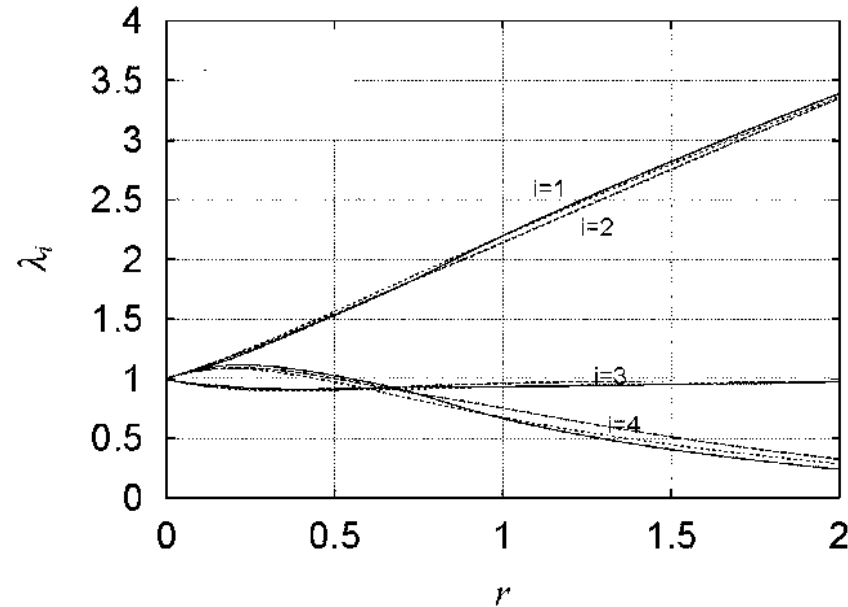
- A_μ : $N \times N$ hermitian matrices ($\mu = 1, \dots, 4$)
 $\bar{\psi}_\alpha^f, \psi_\alpha^f$: N -dim vector ($\alpha = 1, 2, f = 1, \dots, N_f$)
 $N_f =$ (number of flavors)
- SO(4) rotational symmetry.
- No supersymmetry.

Gaussian expansion analysis up to 9th order:

Okubo, Nishimura and Sugino, hep-th/0412194.

Observable for probing dimensionality : $T_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{N} \text{tr} (A_\mu A_\nu)$.

λ_i ($i = 1, 2, 3, 4$) : eigenvalues of $T_{\mu\nu}$ ($\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \lambda_3 \geq \lambda_4$)



Spontaneous breakdown of $SO(4)$ to $SO(2)$ at finite r ($= \frac{N_f}{N}$).

3 Monte Carlo simulation

Factorization method

An approach to the complex action problem in Monte Carlo simulation.

Anagnostopoulos and Nishimura, hep-th/0108041,

Partition function:

$$\begin{aligned} Z &= \int dA e^{-S_B} (\det \mathcal{D})^{N_f} = \int dA e^{-S_0} e^{i\Gamma}, \text{ where } \mathcal{D} = \Gamma_\mu A_\mu, \\ Z_0 &= \int dA e^{-S_0} = \int dA e^{-S_B} |\det \mathcal{D}|^{N_f}. \end{aligned}$$

Distribution function

$$\rho_i(\mathbf{x}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle \delta(\mathbf{x} - \tilde{\lambda}_i) \rangle = \frac{1}{C} \rho_i^{(0)}(\mathbf{x}) w_i(\mathbf{x}), \text{ where}$$

$$\tilde{\lambda}_i = \lambda_i / \langle \lambda_i \rangle_0, \quad C = \langle \cos \Gamma \rangle_0,$$

$$\rho_i^{(0)}(\mathbf{x}) = \langle \delta(\mathbf{x} - \tilde{\lambda}_i) \rangle_0, \quad w_i(\mathbf{x}) = \langle \cos \Gamma \rangle_{i,\mathbf{x}},$$

$$\langle * \rangle_0 = [\text{V.E.V. for the phase-quenched partition function } Z_0]$$

$$\langle * \rangle_{i,\mathbf{x}} = [\text{V.E.V. for the partition function } Z_{i,\mathbf{x}} = \int dA e^{-S_0} \delta(\mathbf{x} - \tilde{\lambda}_i)].$$

The position of the peak \mathbf{x}_p for the distribution function $\rho_{i,V}(\mathbf{x})$:

$$0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \log \rho_{i,V}(\mathbf{x}) = f_i^{(0)}(\mathbf{x}) - \langle \lambda_i \rangle_0 V'(\langle \lambda_i \rangle_0 \mathbf{x}), \text{ where } f_i^{(0)}(\mathbf{x}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \log \rho_i^{(0)}(\mathbf{x}).$$

Monte Carlo evaluation of $\langle \tilde{\lambda}_i \rangle$

$w_i(x) > 0 \Rightarrow \langle \tilde{\lambda}_i \rangle$ is the minimum of $\mathcal{F}_i(x)$:

$$\mathcal{F}_i(x) = (\text{free energy density}) = -\frac{1}{N^2} \log \rho_i(x).$$

We solve $\mathcal{F}'_i(x) = 0$, namely $\frac{1}{N^2} f_i^{(0)}(x) = -\frac{d}{dx} \left\{ \frac{1}{N^2} \log w_i(x) \right\}$.

Both $\frac{1}{N^2} \log w_i(x)$ and $\frac{1}{N^2} f_i^{(0)}(x)$ scale at large N as

$$\frac{1}{N^2} \log w_i(x) \rightarrow \Phi_i(x), \quad \frac{1}{N^2} f_i^{(0)}(x) \rightarrow F_i(x).$$

Behavior of $\Phi_i(x)$

Asymptotic behavior of $\Phi_i(x) = \frac{1}{N^2} \log w_i(x)$ at $x \ll 1$ and $x \gg 1$.

When we fix the i -th largest eigenvalue \rightarrow

- $x \ll 1$ ($i = 2, 3, 4$): $(5 - i)$ directions are shrunk $\Rightarrow (i - 1)$ -dim. configuration
- $x \gg 1$ ($i = 1, 2, 3$): $(4 - i)$ directions are shrunk $\Rightarrow i$ -dim. configuration

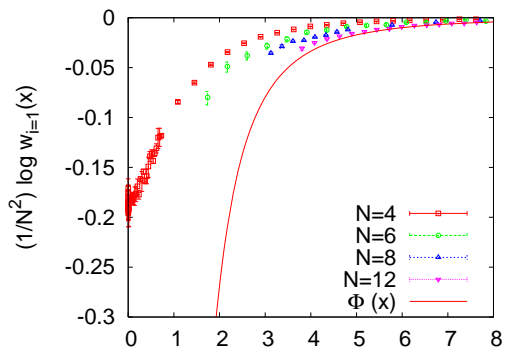
Expected power behaviors:

$$\Phi_i(x) \propto \begin{cases} c_{i,0} x^{5-i} + \dots & (x \ll 1, i = 2, 3, 4) \\ \frac{d_{i,0}}{x^{4-i}} + \dots & (x \gg 1, i = 1, 2, 3) \end{cases}$$

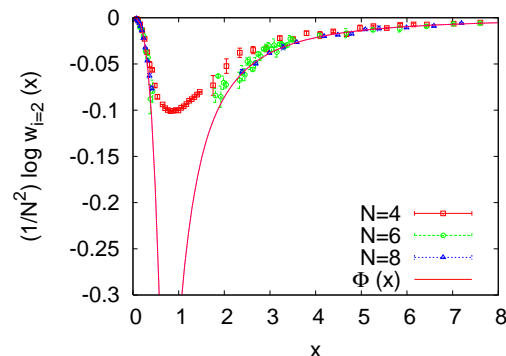
Simulation for $r = 1$

Evaluation of $\langle \tilde{\lambda}_i \rangle$ at the leading order.

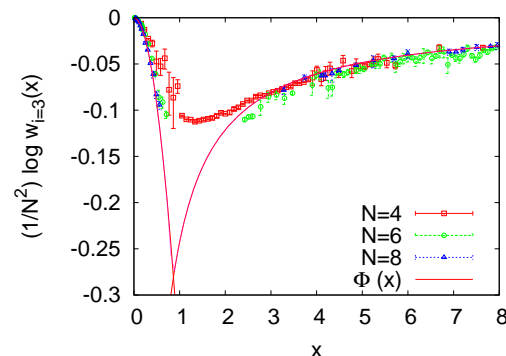
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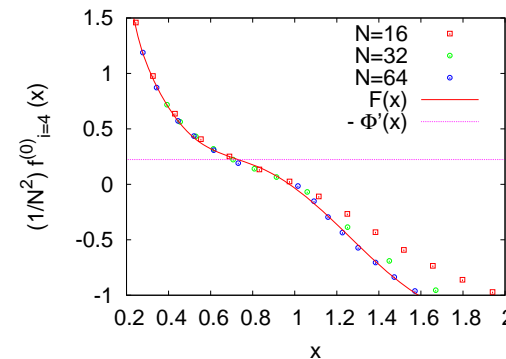
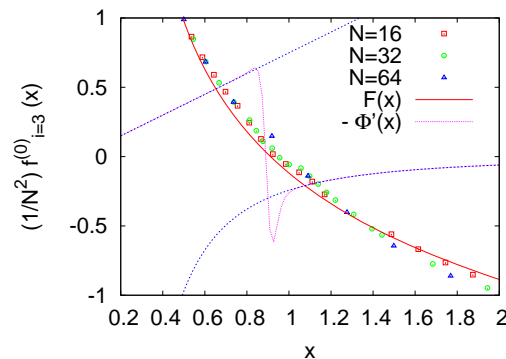
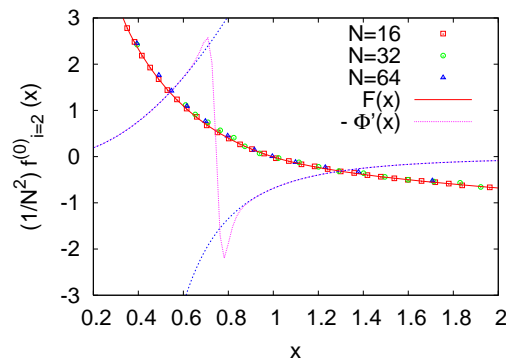
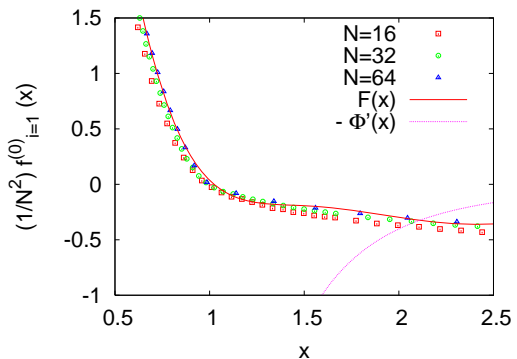
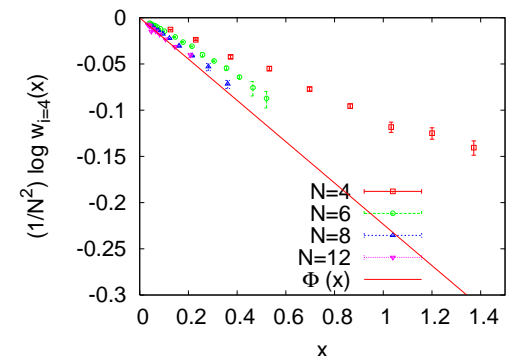
$i = 2$



$i = 3$



$i = 4$



$\langle \tilde{\lambda}_{i=2} \rangle = 1.3, \langle \tilde{\lambda}_{i=3} \rangle = 0.7 \Rightarrow$ Rotational symmetry breaking $SO(4) \rightarrow SO(2)$.

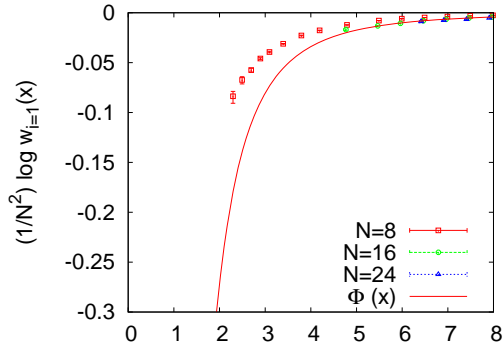
Result of 9th-order Gaussian expansion:

$$\tilde{\lambda}_{i=1} \simeq 1.4, \tilde{\lambda}_{i=2} \simeq 1.4, \tilde{\lambda}_{i=3} \simeq 0.7, \tilde{\lambda}_{i=4} \simeq 0.5.$$

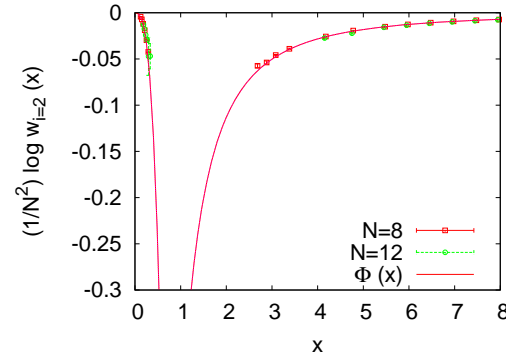
Simulation for $r = 2$

Evaluation of $\langle \tilde{\lambda}_i \rangle$ at the leading order.

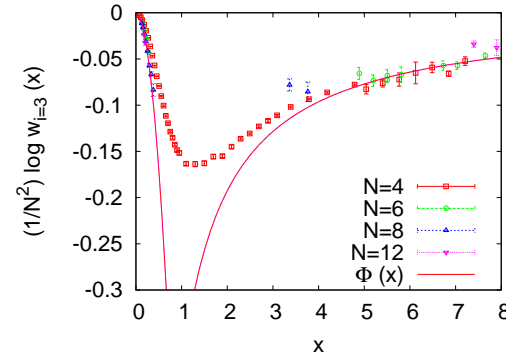
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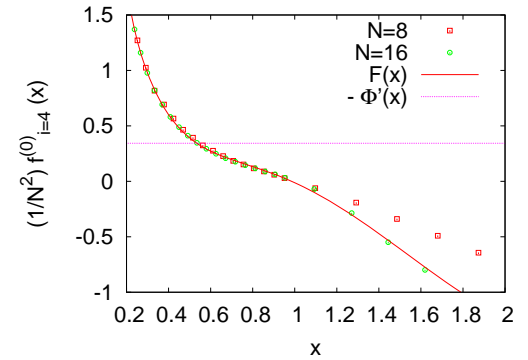
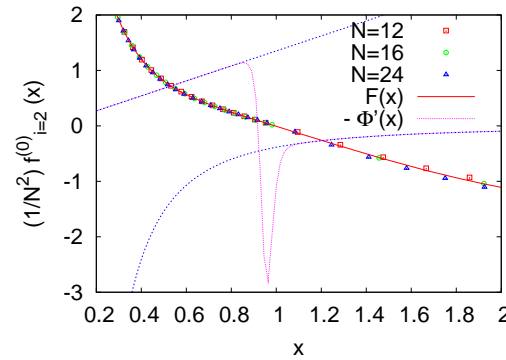
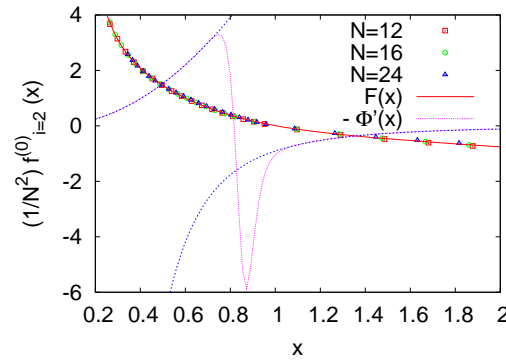
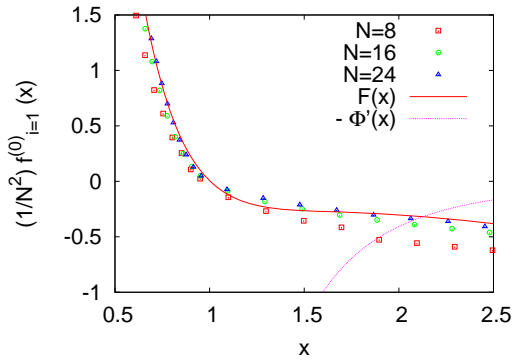
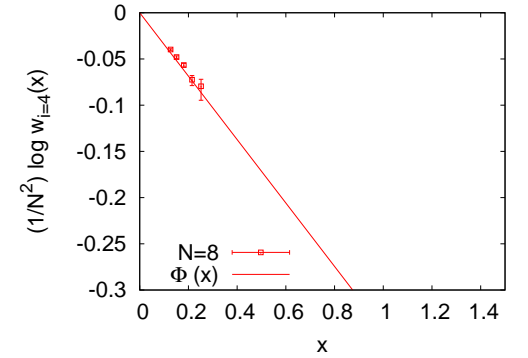
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$i = 4$



$\langle \tilde{\lambda}_{i=2} \rangle = 1.4, \langle \tilde{\lambda}_{i=3} \rangle = 0.5 \Rightarrow$ Rotational symmetry breaking $SO(4) \rightarrow SO(2)$.

Result of 9th-order Gaussian expansion:

$$\tilde{\lambda}_{i=1} \simeq 1.7, \tilde{\lambda}_{i=2} \simeq 1.7, \tilde{\lambda}_{i=3} \simeq 0.5, \tilde{\lambda}_{i=4} \simeq 0.1.$$

Behavior of $\frac{1}{N^2} f_i^{(0)}(x)$

Small x ($x \ll 1$) \rightarrow $(5 - i)$ directions are shrunk.

- $i = 2, 3, 4$: $\rho_i^{(0)}(x) \simeq (\sqrt{x})^{N^2(5-i)} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{N^2} f_i^{(0)}(x) = \left(\frac{5-i}{2x} \right) + e_i$

- $i = 1$: Eigenvalues of A_μ are collapsed to zero.

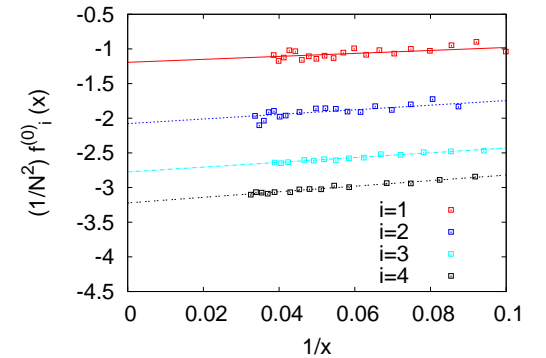
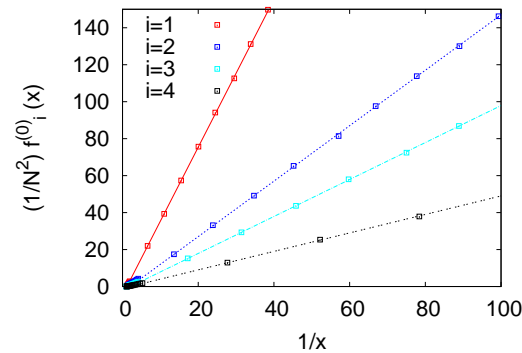
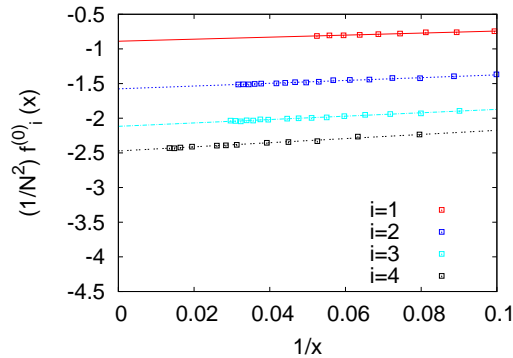
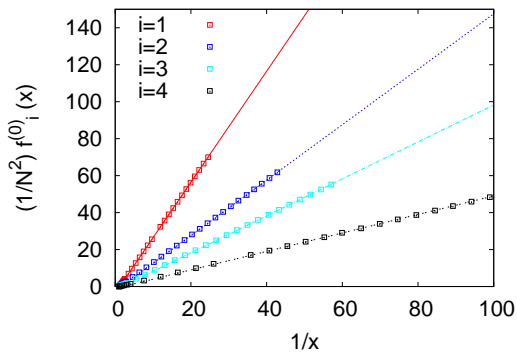
\Rightarrow Add the effect of fermionic determinant (polynomial of A_μ with degree $2N^2 r$).

$\Rightarrow \rho_{i=1}^{(0)}(x) \simeq (\sqrt{x})^{2N^2(1+r)} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{N^2} f_{i=1}^{(0)}(x) = \left(\frac{2+r}{x} \right) + e_{i=1}$

Large x ($x \gg 1$): $\frac{1}{N^2} f_i^{(0)}(x) \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow \pm\infty} g_{i,0} + \frac{g_{i,1}}{x} + \dots$, $g_{i,0} = -\frac{x i}{2} \langle \lambda_0 \rangle \xrightarrow{\text{large } N} -\frac{x i}{2} \left(1 + \frac{r}{2} \right)$

Simulation for $r = 1, N = 16$

$r = 2, N = 16$



4 Conclusion

Monte Carlo simulation of the simplified IKKT model.

Factorization method forces the simulation to visit important configurations.

Rotational symmetry breaking $SO(4) \rightarrow SO(2)$

Future problems

Simulation of the IKKT model

Anagnostopoulos, Aoyama, T. A., Hanada and Nishimura, in progress

Supersymmetry \Rightarrow Solution of $\mathcal{F}'_i(x) = 0$ at $x \ll 1$ and $x \gg 1$.

Asymptotic behaviors of $\frac{1}{N^2} \log w_i(x)$ and $\frac{1}{N^2} f_i^{(0)}(x)$ are important.