



Three Dimensional Nonlinear
Sigma Models in the Wilsonian
Renormalization Method

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1. Wilsonian Renormalization Group

Exact renormalization group equations

Wilson renormalization group equation

Wegner-Houghton equation

Polchinski equation

are constructed by the loop correction term and rescaling part.

The WRG equation (Wegner-Houghton equation) describes the variation of effective action when energy scale Λ is changed to $\Lambda(\delta t) = \Lambda \exp[-\delta t]$.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} S[\Omega; t] = & \frac{1}{2\delta t} \int_{p'} \text{tr} \ln \left(\frac{\delta^2 S}{\delta \Omega^i \delta \Omega^j} \right) \\ & - \frac{1}{2\delta t} \int_{p'} \int_{q'} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \Omega^i(p')} \left(\frac{\delta^2 S}{\delta \Omega^i(p') \delta \Omega^j(q')} \right)^{-1} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \Omega^j(q')} \\ & + \left[D - \sum_{\Omega_i} \int_p \hat{\Omega}_i(p) \left(d_{\Omega_i} + \gamma_{\Omega_i} + \hat{p}^\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{p}^\mu} \right) \frac{\delta}{\delta \hat{\Omega}_i(p)} \right] \hat{S} \end{aligned}$$

The effective action:

The Euclidean path integral is

$$Z = \int [D\Omega_i] \exp[-S[\Omega]]$$

We divide all fields Ω into two groups, high frequency modes and low frequency modes. After the higher modes are integrated out, the Wilsonian effective action is obtained as

$$\begin{aligned} Z &= \int [D\Omega_i] \exp[-S[\Omega_i]] \\ &= \int [D\Omega_{i>}] [D\Omega_{i<}] \exp[-S[\Omega_{i<}, \Omega_{i>}]] \\ &\equiv \int [D\Omega_{i<}] \exp[-S_{eff}[\Omega_{i<}]] . \end{aligned}$$

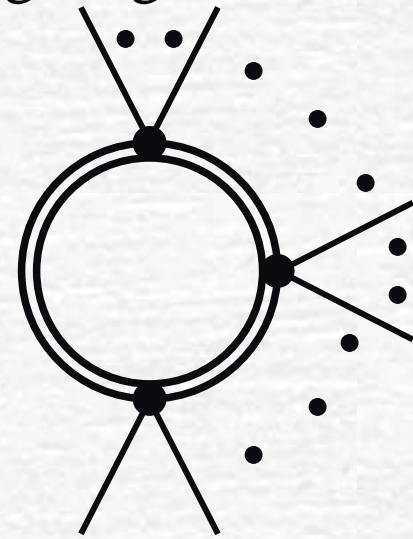
We assume that Z is cutoff independent:

$$\begin{aligned}
Z &= \int [D\Omega]_{\Lambda(\delta t)} [D\Omega_s] \exp [-S[\Omega + \Omega_s; \Lambda]] \\
&= \int [D\Omega]_{\Lambda(\delta t)} [D\Omega_s] \exp \left[- \left(S[\Omega; \Lambda] + \frac{\delta S}{\delta \Omega_i} \Omega_s^i + \frac{1}{2} \Omega_s^i \frac{\delta^2 S}{\delta \Omega^i \delta \Omega^j} \Omega_s^j + O(\Omega_s^3) \right) \right] \\
&= \int [D\Omega]_{\Lambda(\delta t)} \exp \left[- \left(S[\Omega; \Lambda] + \frac{1}{2} \int_{p'} \text{tr} \ln \left(\frac{\delta^2 S}{\delta \Omega^i \delta \Omega^j} \right) \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. - \frac{1}{2} \int_{p'} \int_{q'} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \Omega^i} \left(\frac{\delta^2 S}{\delta \Omega^i \delta \Omega^j} \right)^{-1} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \Omega^j} + O((\delta t)^2) \right) \right] \quad (1)
\end{aligned}$$

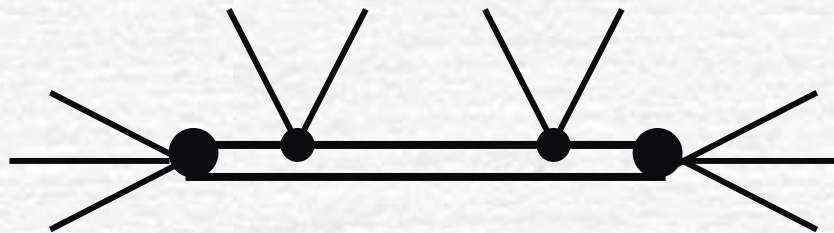
$$\equiv \int [D\Omega]_{\Lambda(\delta t)} \exp [-S[\Omega; \Lambda(\delta t)]]. \quad (2)$$

This equation corresponds to the following diagrams.

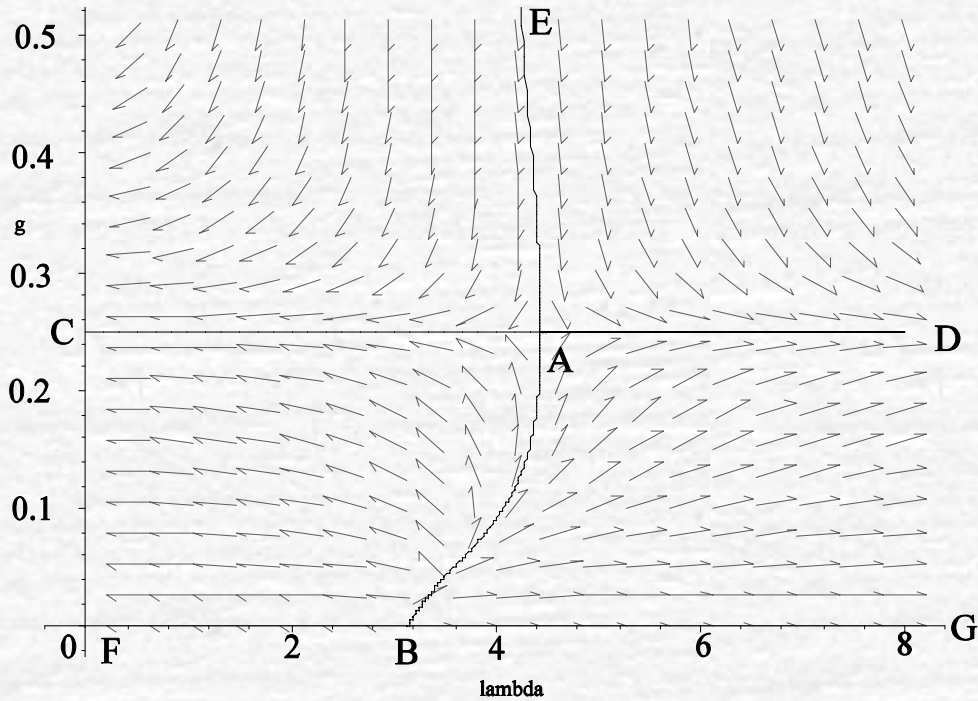
$$\int_{p'} \text{tr} \ln \left(\frac{\delta^2 S}{\delta \Omega^i \delta \Omega^j} \right)$$



$$\int_{p'} \int_{q'} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \Omega^i(p')} \left(\frac{\delta^2 S}{\delta \Omega^i(p') \delta \Omega^j(q')} \right)^{-1} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \Omega^j(q')}$$



Renormalizability and continuum limit



critical line $\cdots EAB$
renormalized trajectory
fixed point $\cdots A, B,$
 $\lambda=0$ line

The renormalization group flow which can be extrapolated back to critical surface defines a renormalized theory.

Approximation method:

Symmetry and Derivative expansion

Consider a single real scalar field theory that is invariant under

$$\varphi \rightarrow -\varphi \quad (Z_2 \text{ symmetry})$$

We expand the most generic action as

$$S[\varphi] = \int d^D x V[\varphi] + \frac{1}{2} K[\varphi] (\partial_\mu \varphi)^2 + H_1[\varphi] (\partial_\mu \varphi)^4 + H_2[\varphi] (\partial_\mu \partial^\mu \varphi)^2 + \dots$$

In this work, we expand the action up to second order in derivative and constraint it $\mathcal{N}=2$ supersymmetry.

2. Introduction

We consider the Wilsonian effective action which has derivative interactions.

In bosonic theory, such action corresponds to non-linear sigma models.

$$S = \int d^3x V[\varphi] + g_{i\bar{j}}[\varphi] \partial_\mu \varphi^i \partial^\mu \varphi^{\bar{j}}.$$

Three dimensional nonlinear sigma model is unrenormalizable in perturbation theory, and we have to use nonperturbative methods.

Large-N expansion, **WRG equation** etc

D=3 N=2 supersymmetric non linear sigma model

$$S = \int d^3x d^2\theta d^2\bar{\theta} K[\Phi^i, \Phi^{\dagger\bar{i}}]$$

$i=1 \sim N$: N is the dimensions of target spaces

Where K is Kaehler potential and Φ is chiral superfield.

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi^i(y) &= \varphi^i(x) + i\theta\sigma^\mu\bar{\theta}\partial_\mu\varphi^i(x) + \frac{1}{4}\theta\theta\bar{\theta}\bar{\theta}\partial^\mu\partial_\mu\varphi^i(x) \\ &\quad + \sqrt{2}\theta\psi^i(x) - \frac{i}{\sqrt{2}}\theta\theta\partial_\mu\psi^i(x)\sigma^\mu\bar{\theta} + \theta\theta F^i(x) \\ &\equiv \varphi^i(x) + \delta\Phi^i(x)\end{aligned}$$

We expand the action around the scalar fields.

$$S = \int d^3x \left[g_{n\bar{m}} \left(\partial^\mu \varphi^n \partial_\mu \varphi^{*\bar{m}} + i \bar{\psi}^{\bar{m}} \sigma^\mu (D_\mu \psi)^n + \bar{F}^{\bar{m}} F^n \right) \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{2} K_{,n\bar{m}\bar{l}} \bar{F}^{\bar{l}} \psi^n \psi^{\bar{m}} - \frac{1}{2} K_{,n\bar{m}\bar{l}} F^n \bar{\psi}^{\bar{m}} \bar{\psi}^{\bar{l}} + \frac{1}{4} K_{,nm\bar{k}\bar{l}} (\bar{\psi}^{\bar{k}} \bar{\psi}^{\bar{l}}) (\psi^n \psi^m) \right]$$

where

$$K_{,i} \equiv \frac{\delta K}{\delta \varphi^i}$$

$$g_{i\bar{j}} = K_{,i\bar{j}} \quad : \text{the metric of target spaces}$$

From equation of motion, the auxiliary field F can be vanished.

$$F^n = \frac{1}{2} g^{n\bar{m}} K_{,kl\bar{m}} \psi^k \psi^l$$

3. WRG equation for non linear sigma model

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d}{dt} S[\Omega; t] &= \frac{1}{2\delta t} \int_{p'} \text{tr} \ln \left(\frac{\delta^2 S}{\delta \Omega^i \delta \Omega^j} \right) \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{2\delta t} \int_{p'} \int_{q'} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \Omega^i(p')} \left(\frac{\delta^2 S}{\delta \Omega^i(p') \delta \Omega^j(q')} \right)^{-1} \frac{\delta S}{\delta \Omega^j(q')} \\
 &\quad + \left[D - \sum_{\Omega_i} \int_p \hat{\Omega}_i(p) \left(d_{\Omega_i} + \gamma_{\Omega_i} + \hat{p}^\mu \frac{\partial}{\partial \hat{p}^\mu} \right) \frac{\delta}{\delta \hat{\Omega}_i(p)} \right] \hat{S}
 \end{aligned}$$

Consider the bosonic part of the action.

The second term of the right hand side vanishes in this approximation $O(\partial^2)$.

The first term of the right hand side

$$\frac{1}{2\delta t} \int_{p'} tr \ln \left(\frac{\delta^2 S}{\delta\Omega^i \delta\Omega^j} \right)$$

From the bosonic part of the action **using KNC**

$$\sim \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \ln \det g_{i\bar{j}} + \frac{1}{2\pi^2} R_{i\bar{j}} (\partial_\mu \varphi)^i (\partial^\mu \varphi^*)^{\bar{j}}$$

From the fermionic kinetic term

$$\sim -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \ln \det g_{i\bar{j}}$$

Non derivative term is cancelled.

Finally, we obtain the WRG eq. for bosonic part of the action as follow:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{d}{dt} \int d^3x g_{i\bar{j}} (\partial_\mu \varphi)^i (\partial^\mu \varphi^*)^{\bar{j}} \\
 = & \int d^3x \left[-\frac{1}{2\pi^2} R_{i\bar{j}} - \gamma [\varphi^k g_{i\bar{j},k} + \varphi^{*\bar{k}} g_{i\bar{j},\bar{k}} + 2g_{i\bar{j}}] \right. \\
 & \left. - \frac{1}{2} [\varphi^k g_{i\bar{j},k} + \varphi^{*\bar{k}} g_{i\bar{j},\bar{k}}] \right] (\partial_\mu \varphi)^i (\partial^\mu \varphi^*)^{\bar{j}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

The β function for the Kaehler metric is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d}{dt} g_{i\bar{j}} &= -\frac{1}{2\pi^2} R_{i\bar{j}} - \gamma [\varphi^k g_{i\bar{j},k} + \varphi^{*\bar{k}} g_{i\bar{j},\bar{k}} + 2g_{i\bar{j}}] \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{2} [\varphi^k g_{i\bar{j},k} + \varphi^{*\bar{k}} g_{i\bar{j},\bar{k}}] \\
 &\equiv -\beta(g_{i\bar{j}}).
 \end{aligned}$$

4. Renormalization Group Flow

In 3-dimension, the β function for Kaehler metric is written:

$$\beta = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} R_{i\bar{j}} + \gamma [\varphi^k g_{i\bar{j},k} + \varphi^{*\bar{k}} g_{i\bar{j},\bar{k}} + 2g_{i\bar{j}}] + \frac{1}{2} [\varphi^k g_{i\bar{j},k} + \varphi^{*\bar{k}} g_{i\bar{j},\bar{k}}].$$

The CP^N model : $SU(N+1)/[SU(N) \times U(1)]$

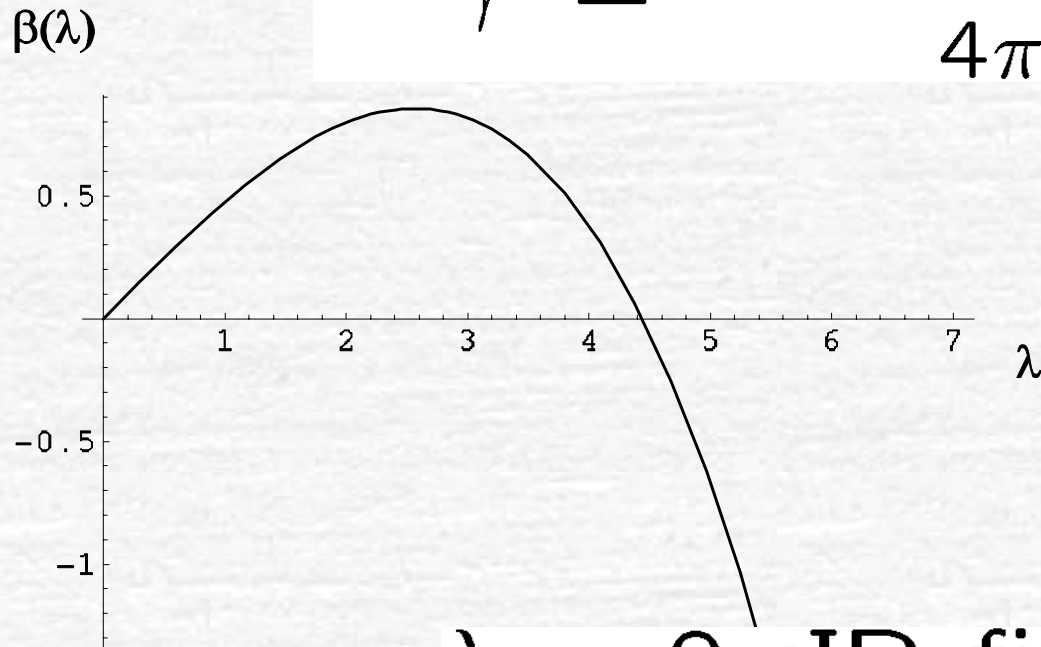
$$K[\Phi, \Phi^\dagger] = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \ln(1 + \vec{\Phi} \vec{\Phi}^\dagger),$$

From this Kaehler potential, we derive the metric and Ricci tensor as follow:

$$g_{i\bar{j}} = \frac{\delta_{i\bar{j}}}{1 + \lambda^2 \varphi \varphi^*} - \frac{\lambda^2 \varphi_i^* \varphi_{\bar{j}}}{(1 + \lambda^2 \varphi \varphi^*)}$$
$$R_{i\bar{j}} = (N + 1) \lambda^2 g_{i\bar{j}}$$

The β function and anomalous dimension of scalar field are given by

$$\beta(\lambda) = -\frac{(N+1)\lambda^3}{4\pi^2} + \frac{1}{2}\lambda,$$
$$\gamma = -\frac{(N+1)\lambda^2}{4\pi^2}.$$



There are two fixed points:

$\lambda = 0$:IR fixed point

$\lambda^2 = \frac{2\pi^2}{N+1}$:UV fixed point

Einstein-Kaehler manifolds

The Einstein-Kaehler manifolds satisfy the condition

$$R_{i\bar{j}} = h\lambda^2 g_{i\bar{j}}.$$

If h is positive, the manifold is compact.

$$\begin{aligned} -\beta(g_{i\bar{j}}) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \tilde{g}_{i\bar{j}}(\lambda\tilde{\varphi}, \lambda\tilde{\varphi}^*) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2\pi^2} \tilde{R}_{i\bar{j}} - \gamma[\tilde{\varphi}^k \tilde{g}_{i\bar{j},k} + \tilde{\varphi}^{*\bar{k}} \tilde{g}_{i\bar{j},\bar{k}} + 2\tilde{g}_{i\bar{j}}] \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2}[\tilde{\varphi}^k \tilde{g}_{i\bar{j},k} + \tilde{\varphi}^{*\bar{k}} \tilde{g}_{i\bar{j},\bar{k}}]. \end{aligned}$$

The value of h for hermitian symmetric spaces.

G/H	Dimensions(complex)	h
$SU(N+1)/[SU(N) \times U(1)]$	N	$N+1$
$SU(N)/SU(N-M) \times U(M)$	$M(N-M)$	N
$SO(N+2)/SO(N) \times U(1)$	N	N
$Sp(N)/U(N)$	$N(N+1)/2$	$N+1$
$SO(2N)/U(N)$	$N(N+1)/2$	$N-1$
$E_6/[SO(10) \times U(1)]$	16	12
$E_7/[E_6 \times U(1)]$	27	18

Because only λ depends on t , the WRG eq. can be rewritten

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\dot{\lambda}}{\lambda} \tilde{\varphi}^k \tilde{g}_{i\bar{j},k} + \frac{\dot{\lambda}}{\lambda} \tilde{\varphi}^{*\bar{k}} \tilde{g}_{i\bar{j},\bar{k}} \\ = & - \left(\frac{h\lambda^2}{2\pi} + 2\gamma \right) \tilde{g}_{i\bar{j}} - \left(\gamma + \frac{1}{2} \right) [\tilde{\varphi}^k \tilde{g}_{i\bar{j},k} + \tilde{\varphi}^{*\bar{k}} \tilde{g}_{i\bar{j},\bar{k}}]. \end{aligned}$$

We obtain the anomalous dimension and β function of λ :

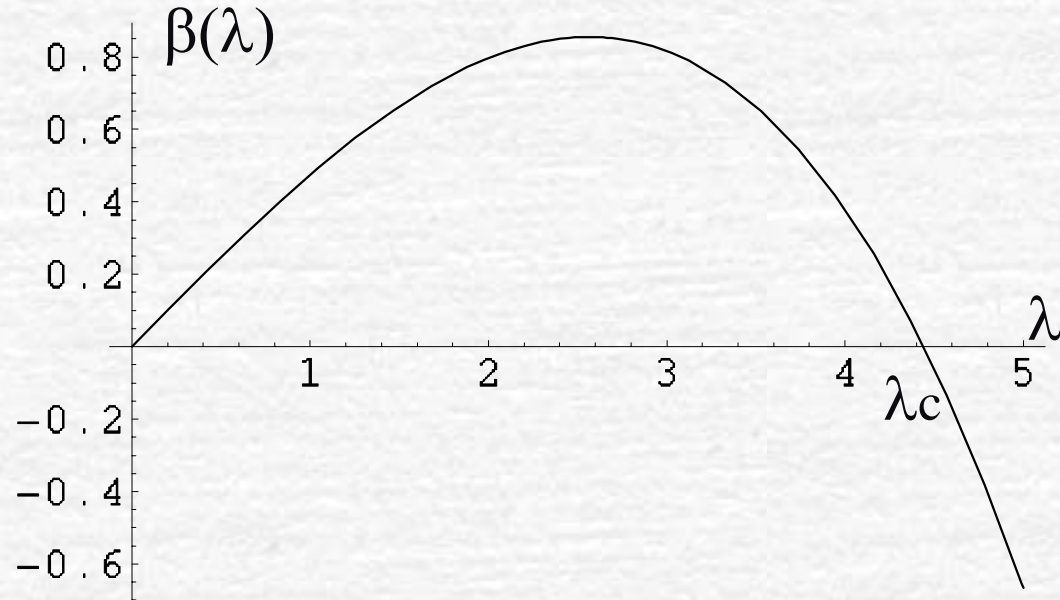
$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &= -\frac{h\lambda^2}{4\pi^2} \\ \beta(\lambda) &\equiv -\frac{d\lambda}{dt} = -\frac{h}{4\pi^2} \lambda^3 + \frac{1}{2} \lambda. \end{aligned}$$

The constant h is positive (compact E-K)

Renormalizable

We have an IR fixed point at $\lambda=0$ and a UV fixed point at

$$\lambda^2 = \frac{2\pi^2}{h} \equiv \lambda_c^2$$



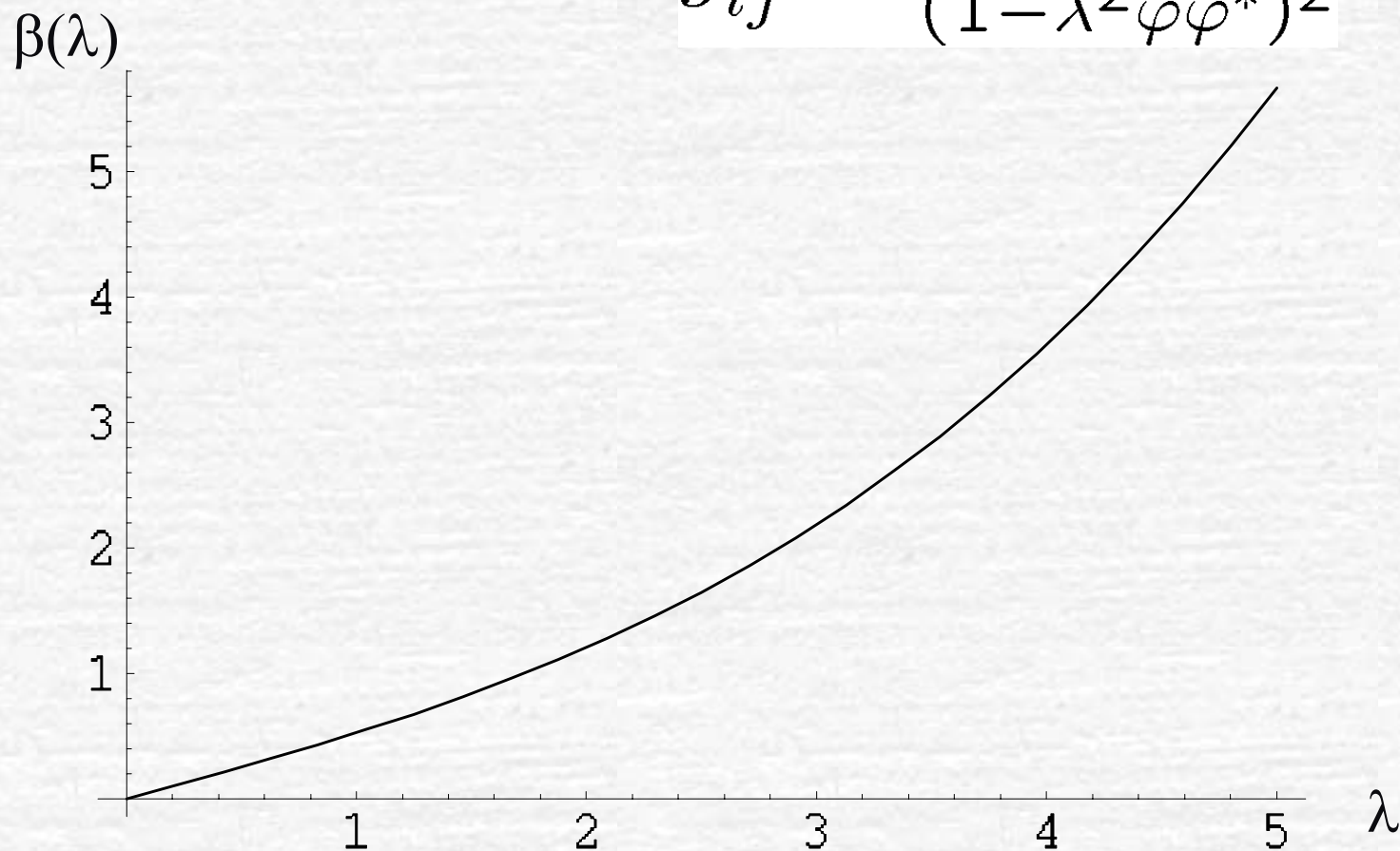
If the constant h is positive, it is possible to take the continuum limit by choosing the cutoff dependence of the bare coupling constant as

$$\lambda(\Lambda) \rightarrow \lambda_c - \frac{M}{\Lambda}.$$

M is a finite mass scale.

The constant h is negative (example Disc with Poincare metric)

$$g_{i\bar{j}} = \frac{\delta_{i\bar{j}}}{(1 - \lambda^2 \varphi \varphi^*)^2} \quad i, j=1$$



We have only IR fixed point at $\lambda=0$.

5. $SU(N)$ symmetric solution of WRG equation

We derive the action of the conformal field theory corresponding to the fixed point of the β function.

$$\begin{aligned}\beta(g_{i\bar{j}}) &= \frac{1}{2\pi^2} R_{i\bar{j}} \\ &+ \gamma [\varphi^k g_{i\bar{j},k} + \varphi^{*\bar{k}} g_{i\bar{j},\bar{k}} + 2g_{i\bar{j}}] \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} [\varphi^k g_{i\bar{j},k} + \varphi^{*\bar{k}} g_{i\bar{j},\bar{k}}] \\ &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

To simplify, we assume $SU(N)$ symmetry for Kaehler potential.

$$K[\Phi, \Phi^\dagger] = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} g_n x^n \equiv f(x)$$

Where,

$$x \equiv \vec{\Phi} \cdot \vec{\Phi}^\dagger$$

The function $f(x)$ have infinite number of coupling constants.

$$f(x) = x + g_2 x^2 + g_3 x^3 + \dots$$

The Kaehler potential gives the Kaehler metric and tensor as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_{i\bar{j}} &\equiv \partial_i \partial_{\bar{j}} K[\varphi, \varphi^\dagger] = f' \delta_{i\bar{j}} + f'' \varphi_i^* \varphi_{\bar{j}}, \\
 R_{i\bar{j}} &\equiv -\partial_i \partial_{\bar{j}} \text{tr} \ln g_{i\bar{j}} \\
 &= -\left[(N-1) \frac{f''}{f'} + \frac{2f'' + f'''x}{f' + f''x} \right] \delta_{i\bar{j}} \\
 &\quad - \left[(N-1) \left(\frac{f^{(3)}}{f''} - \frac{(f'')^2}{(f')^2} \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{3f^{(3)} + f^{(4)}x}{f' + f''x} - \frac{(2f'' + f'''x)^2}{(f' + f''x)^2} \right] \varphi_i^* \varphi_{\bar{j}},
 \end{aligned}$$

$$f' = \frac{df(x)}{dx}.$$

We substitute this metric and Ricci tensor into the β function and compare the coefficients of $\delta_{i\bar{j}}$ and $\varphi^i \varphi^{*\bar{j}}$.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial}{\partial t} f' &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[(N-1) \frac{f''}{f'} + \frac{2f'' + f'''x}{f' + f''x} \right] - 2\gamma(f' + f''x) - f''x, \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial t} f'' &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[(N-1) \left(\frac{f^{(3)}}{f''} - \frac{(f'')^2}{(f')^2} \right) + \frac{3f^{(3)} + f^{(4)}x}{f' + f''x} - \frac{(2f'' + f'''x)^2}{(f' + f''x)^2} \right] \\ &\quad - 2\gamma(2f'' + f'''x) - (f'''x + f'').\end{aligned}$$

We can derive an infinite number of coupled differential equations relating the coupling constants g_n .

To obtain the Lagrangian of the scale invariant field theory, we have to solve the differential equation:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial}{\partial t} f' &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[(N-1) \frac{f''}{f'} + \frac{2f'' + f'''x}{f' + f''x} \right] - 2\gamma(f' + f''x) - f''x \\ &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

We can fix all coupling constant g_n using g_2 order by order.

The following function satisfies $\beta=0$ for any values of parameter

$$\begin{aligned} f' = & 1 + 2g_2x + \left[\frac{2(3N+5)}{N+2}g_2^2 + \frac{2\pi^2}{N+2}g_2 \right] x^2 \\ & + \frac{4}{3(N+2)(N+3)} \left[(16N^2 + 66N + 62)g_2^3 \right. \\ & \left. + 2\pi^2(6N+14)g_2^2 + 2\pi^4g_2 \right] x^3 \\ & + \dots \end{aligned}$$

If we fix the value of g_2 , we obtain a conformal field theory.

We take the specific values of the parameter, the function takes simple form.

$$g_2 = 0$$

$$f(x) = x$$

This theory is equal to IR fixed point of CP^N model

$$g_2 = -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2\pi^2}{N+1} \equiv -\frac{1}{2}b$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{b} \ln(1 + bx)$$

This theory is equal to UV fixed point of CP^N model.

Then the parameter describes a marginal deformation from the IR to UV fixed points of the CP^N model in the theory spaces.

6. Summary and Discussions

In this work, we argue that some $N=2$ supersymmetric nonlinear sigma models are renormalizable in three dimensions.

When the target space is an Einstein-Kaehler manifold with positive scalar curvature, there are nontrivial ultra violet fixed point, which can be used to define the nontrivial continuum theory.

Finally, we construct a class of conformal field theories with $SU(N)$ symmetry, defined at the fixed point of the nonperturbative β function. These conformal field theories have a free parameter, and this parameter describe a marginal deformation from the IR to UV fixed point CP^N model in the theory spaces.