

# Lattice chiral fermion without Hermiticity

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# Nielsen-Ninomiya Theorem [Nielsen and Ninomiya 1981]

- prohibits a **hermitian** construction of  $d$ -dimensional fermion lattice action  $S_F$ :
  - 1.  $D(x)$  is exponentially local, which implies that the operator is bounded by  $\sim \exp(-|x|/c)$ , where  $c \propto a$  ;
  - 2.  $\bar{D}(p) = i\gamma_\mu p_\mu + \mathcal{O}(ap^2)$  for  $p \ll \pi/a$ ;
  - 3.  $\bar{D}(p)$  is invertible for  $p \neq 0$  (**no** massless doublers);
  - 4.  $\gamma_5 D + D \gamma_5 = 0$  (continuum **chiral symmetry**),

where  $D(x)$  is a Dirac matrix satisfying

$$S_F = a^d \sum_{\text{all lattice points}} \bar{\psi}(D + m)\psi, \quad (1)$$

and the  $\bar{D}(p)$  is a Dirac matrix on a momentum space

## Naive Non-Hermitian Lattice Fermion

- use forward finite difference operator (**breaks** Hermiticity)  
 $D(n_1, n_2)_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2} \equiv (\gamma_1)_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2} (\delta_{n_1+1, n_2} - \delta_{n_1, n_2}) / a$  [Stamatescu, Wu 1993]
- non-physical poles do **not** provide additional degrees of freedom when taking the continuum limit
- preserves chiral symmetry **without** square-root operators
- quenched averaging over all directions imposes the **hypercubic symmetry**

## Two Flavors

- two fermion fields in 1d with a **degenerate** mass, the lattice action is

$$\begin{aligned} S_{FD} &= a \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \left( \bar{\psi}_1(n) (D(n) + m) \psi_1(n) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \bar{\psi}_2(n) (-D^\dagger(n) + m) \psi_2(n) \right). \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

- a **non-negative** determinant after integrating out the fermion fields:

$$\begin{aligned} &\det(D + m) \det(-D^\dagger + m) \\ &= \det(D + m) \det(\gamma_5 (-D^\dagger + m) \gamma_5) \\ &= |\det(D + m)|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

## HMC

- introduce the **pseudo-fermion field** (bosonic field  $\phi_f$ ) to rewrite the partition function as in the following

$$\begin{aligned} & \int \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \mathcal{D}\psi \exp(-S_{FD}) \\ & \sim \int \mathcal{D}\phi_{f,R} \mathcal{D}\phi_{f,I} \exp\left(-\phi_f^\dagger ((D+m)(D^\dagger+m))^{-1} \phi_f\right), \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

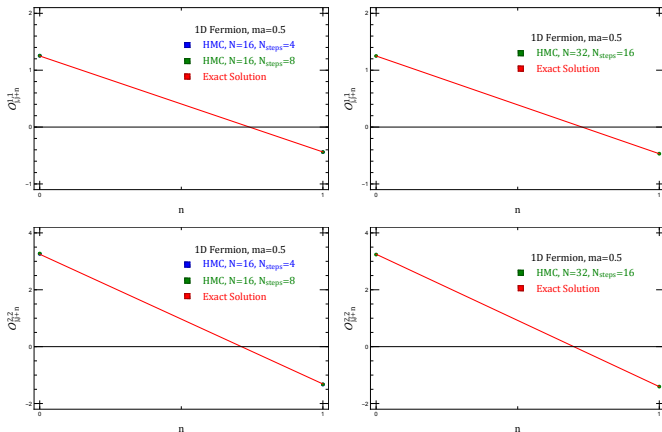
where  $\phi_f \equiv \phi_{f,R} + i\phi_{f,I}$ .

- implement the **Hybrid Monte Carlo** algorithm to calculate:

$$\mathcal{O}_{jk}^{\alpha\beta} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \langle \phi_{f,j}^{\dagger\alpha} \phi_{f,k}^\beta + \phi_{f,k}^{\dagger\beta} \phi_{f,j}^\alpha \rangle = ((D+m)(D+m)^\dagger)^{\alpha\beta}_{jk}, \quad (5)$$

where  $j, k = 1, 2, \dots, N$ ;  $\alpha, \beta = 1, 2$ .

# Numerical Result



**Figure:** We use the HMC to get consistent results with the exact solution. The number of measurements is  $2^{12}$  sweeps with thermalization  $2^6$  sweeps and measure intervals  $2^5$  sweeps. The error bars are less than 1%. The  $N_{\text{steps}}$  is the number of molecular dynamics steps.

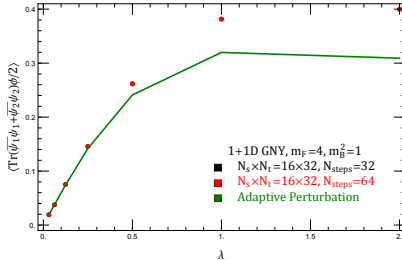
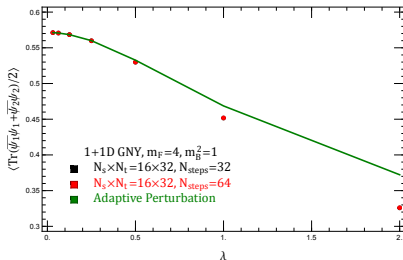
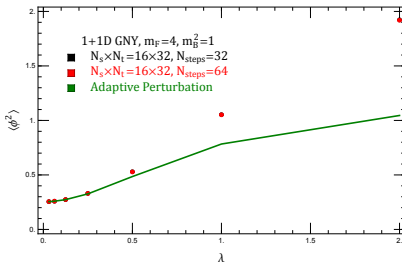
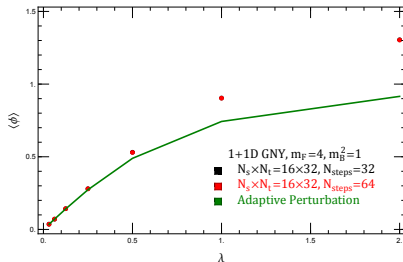
## 2D GNY Model

- GN model is UV finite, but it **cannot** be extended to four dimensions
- studying the Gross-Neveu-Yukawa (GNY) model

$$S_{\text{GNY}}[\bar{\psi}, \psi, \phi] = \int d^2x \left( \bar{\psi}(\not{\partial} + m_F + \phi)\psi - \phi \square \phi + \frac{1}{2g^2} \phi^2 \right) \quad (6)$$

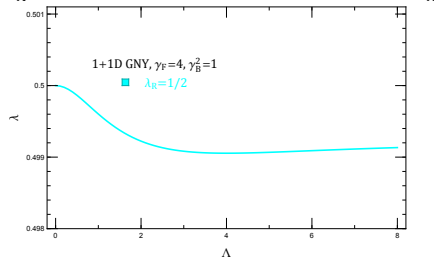
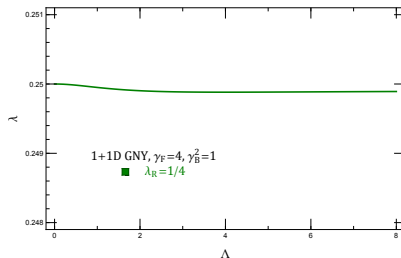
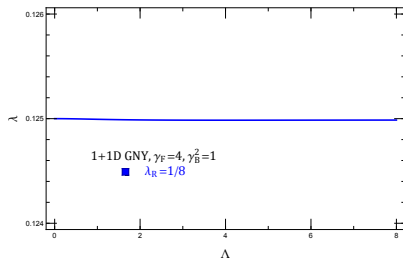
- GNY model introduces an **additional** scalar field  $\phi$  to the GN model, primarily to ensure **renormalizability** in four dimensions
- kinetic term for  $\phi$  may influence the UV behavior of the model, the expectation is that the essential property of asymptotic safety will still **hold** in the GNY model

# Correlator





# Asymptotic Safety



## Conclusion and Outlook

- **non-Hermiticity** allows doubler-free fermion formulation with successful lattice implementation via **HMC**
- 2D GNY model shows **asymptotic safety**
- extend to 4D simulation and applications to **QCD-like** theories

Thank you!