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# Spectral dimension in non-commutative geometry

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A few examples

- ▶ Phase transitions, Critical exponents (Thermodynamics)
- ▶ Transition amplitudes between boundary states
- ▶ Spectral properties

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## Classical (1, 3)d geometry

- ▶  $L^2(\mathcal{M}, S)$  the  $L^2$  spinors
- ▶ Functions  $C^\infty(\mathcal{M}) : f_1(x)$
- ▶  $\mathcal{D} = \emptyset$
- ▶  $s = (q - p) \bmod 8 = 2$
- ▶ “ $\gamma^5$ ”
- ▶ charge conjugation

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## Conditions on $\mathcal{D}$

- ▶  $\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{D}^\dagger$
- ▶  $\mathcal{D}\Gamma = \pm\Gamma\mathcal{D}$
- ▶  $\mathcal{D}J = \pm J\mathcal{D}$  signs depend on  $s$
- ▶  $[[\mathcal{D}, \rho(a)\triangleright], \triangleleft\rho(b)] = 0$  : first order condition

# Dirac operator : Form

In general

$$\mathcal{D}(v \otimes m) = \sum_i \omega^i v \otimes \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{left action} \\ \widehat{K_i m} \\ + \epsilon' \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{right action} \\ \widehat{m K_i^*} \end{array} \right)$$

For the example of the  $(3,1)$  geometry

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D} = & \sum_{j < k=1}^3 \gamma^0 \gamma^j \gamma^k \otimes [L_{jk}, \cdot] + \gamma^1 \gamma^2 \gamma^3 \otimes \{H_{123}, \cdot\} \\ & + \gamma^0 \otimes \{H_0, \cdot\} + \sum_{i=1}^3 \gamma^i \otimes [L_i, \cdot] \end{aligned}$$

With  $H$  hermitian and  $L$  anti-hermitian and traceless

# The action

$$\mathcal{S} = g_2 \text{Tr} (\mathcal{D}^2) + \text{Tr} (\mathcal{D}^4)$$

What do we want from an action?

- ▶ physical motivation  $\Rightarrow$  lowest order when expanding a heat kernel
- ▶ bounded from below  $\Rightarrow$  for some  $g_2, g_4$

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How does this look for a given geometry?

(2, 0) geometry

$$\mathcal{D} = \gamma^1 \otimes \{H_1, \cdot\} + \gamma^2 \otimes \{H_2, \cdot\}$$

$$\text{Tr } \mathcal{D}^2 = 4n(\text{Tr } H_1^2 + \text{Tr } H_2^2) + 4((\text{Tr } H_1)^2 + (\text{Tr } H_2)^2)$$

$$\text{Tr } \mathcal{D}^4 = 4n \left( \text{Tr } H_1^4 + \text{Tr } H_2^4 + 4 \text{Tr } H_1^2 H_2^2 - 2 \text{Tr } H_1 H_2 H_1 H_2 \right)$$

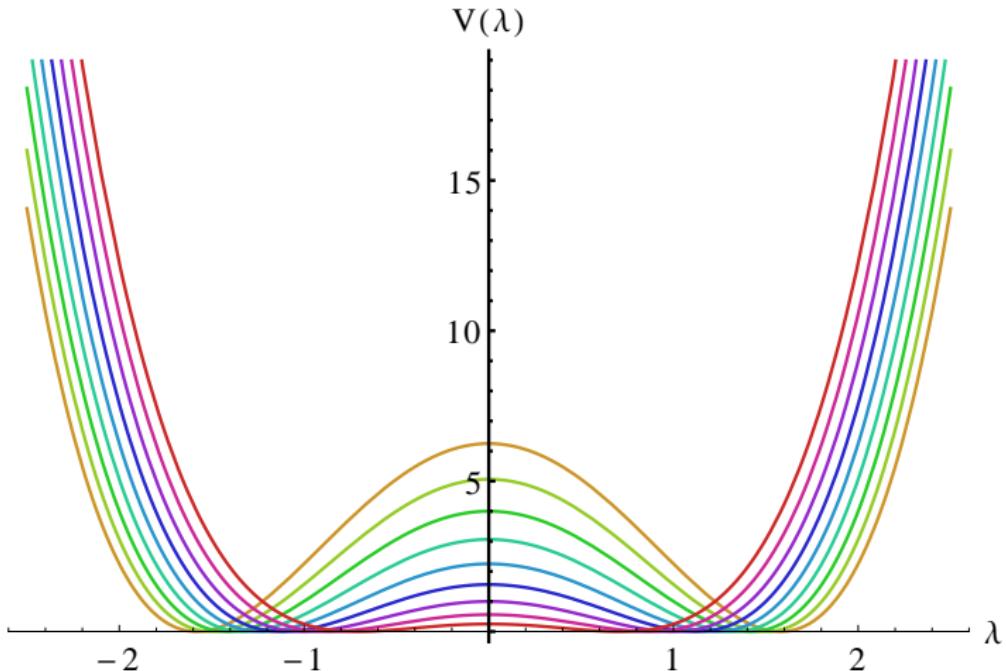
$$+ 16 \left( \text{Tr } H_1 (\text{Tr } H_1^3 + \text{Tr } H_2^2 H_1) \right.$$

$$\left. + \text{Tr } H_2 (\text{Tr } H_1^2 H_2 + \text{Tr } H_2^3) + (\text{Tr } H_1 H_2)^2 \right)$$

$$+ 12 \left( (\text{Tr } H_1^2)^2 + (\text{Tr } H_2^2)^2 \right) + 8 \text{Tr } H_1^2 \text{Tr } H_2^2$$

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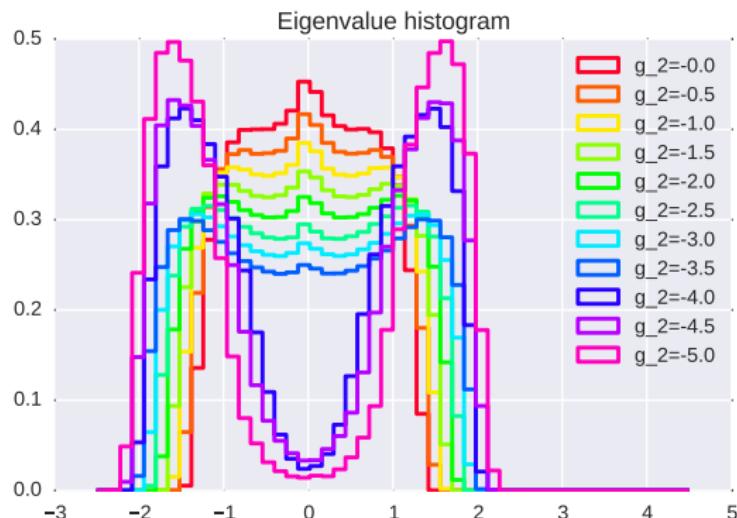


$$g_2 = \{-1, -1.5, \dots, -4.5, -5\}$$

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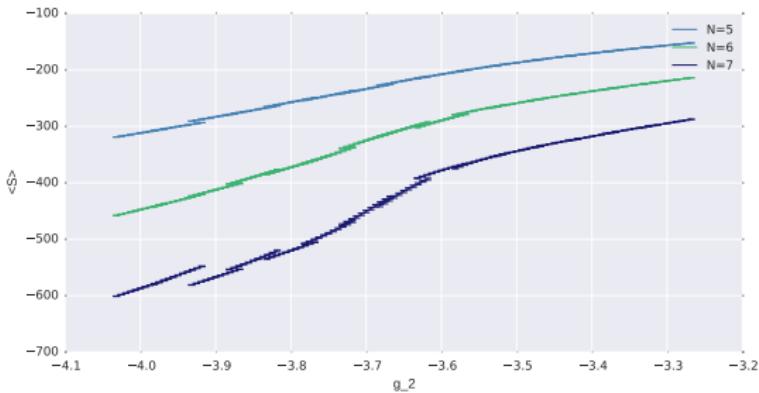
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Type (1,3)

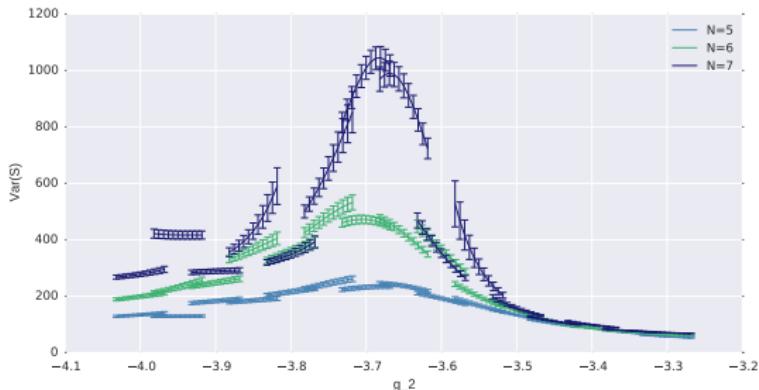


# Scaling with size

average Action

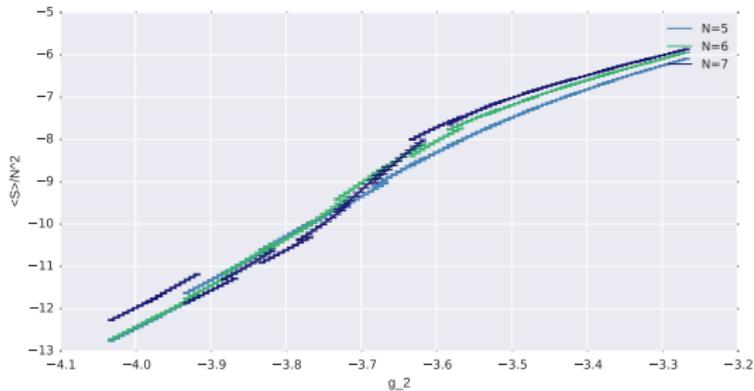


Variance of the Action

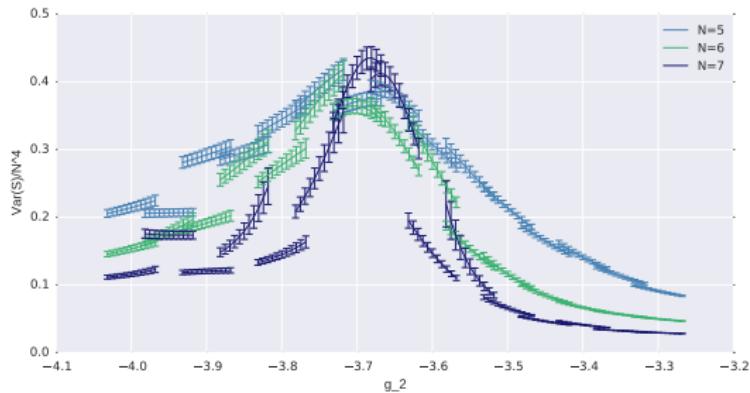


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rescaled with  $N^{-2}$



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## Spectral dimension/ spectral variance

$$P_g(t) = \frac{1}{V} \sum_{\lambda} e^{-t|\lambda|}$$

Return probability?

Only for  $\Delta$ , for  $\mathcal{D}$  Partition function for ensemble w. energies  $\lambda$

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Spectral dimension

$\langle t|\lambda| \rangle$  in ensemble of  
possible e.v. on geometry

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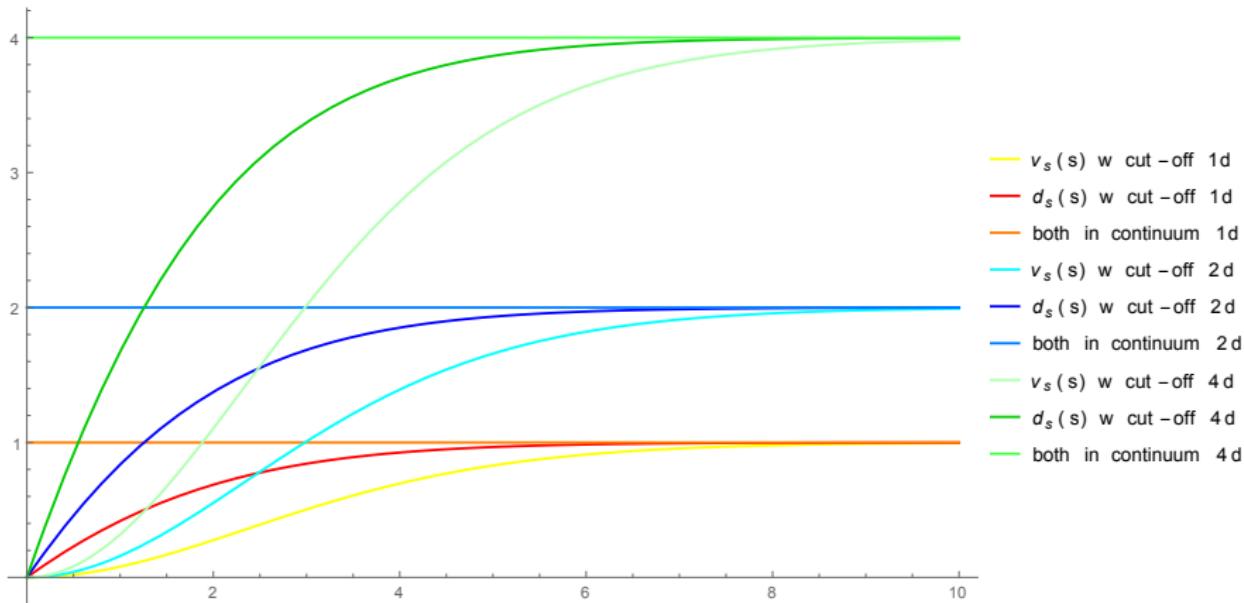
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$$V_s(t) = D_s(t) - t \frac{\partial D_s(t)}{\partial t}$$

Spectral variance

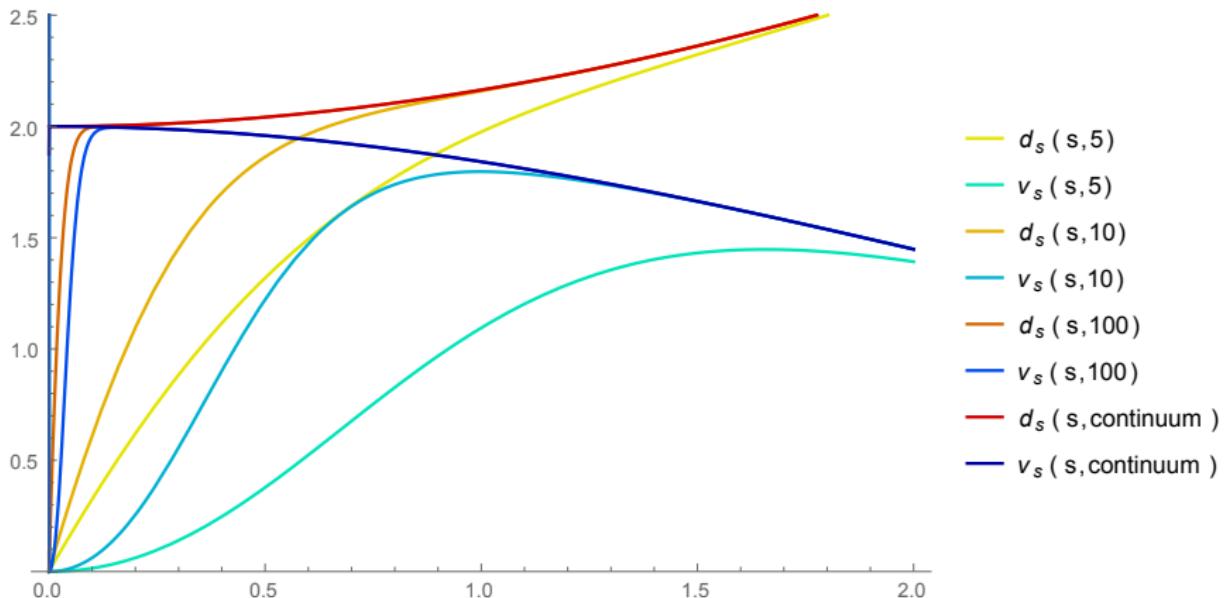
Variance  $\text{Var}(t|\lambda|)$

# Flat space



$D_s$  and  $V_s$  agree with the continuum dimension, and go to 0 when a short distance cut off is introduced.

# The sphere: $S^2$

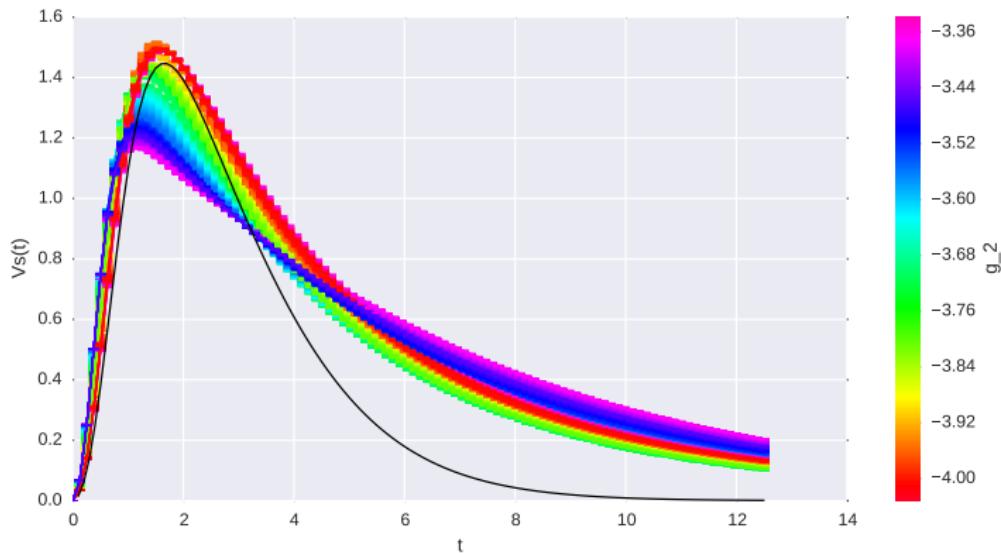


Continuum sphere

$D_s$  goes to infinity when calculated for  $\mathcal{D}$ , because  $\lambda_{\min} \neq 0$

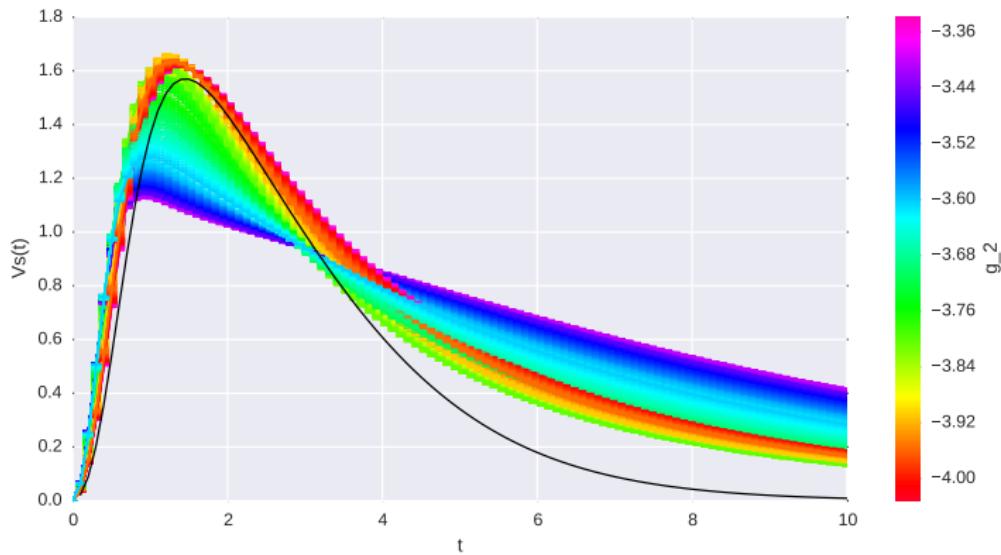
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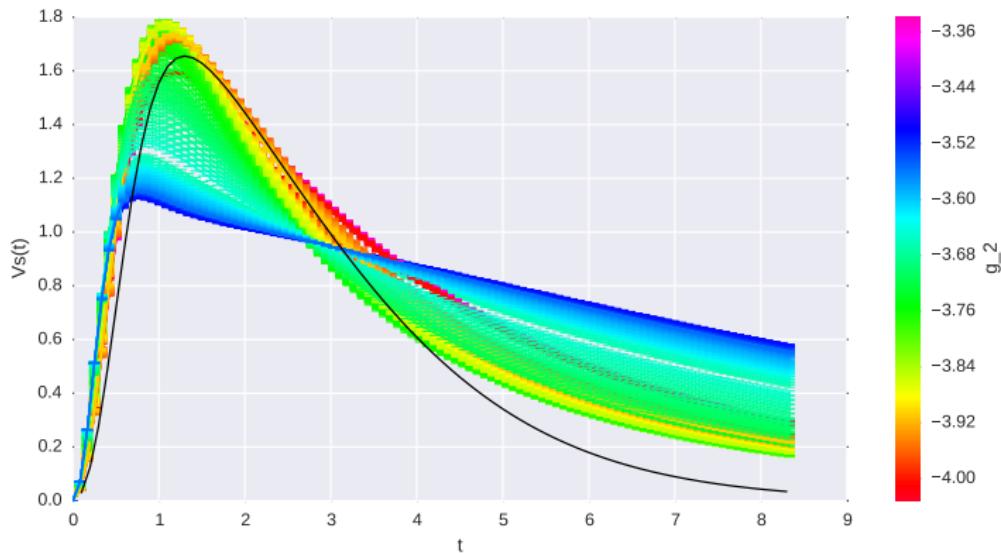
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