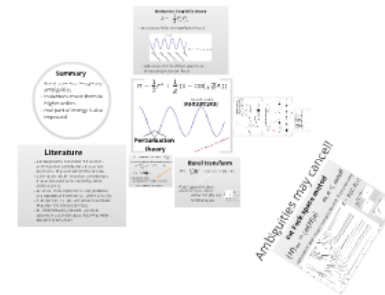


# Instanton interactions and Borel summability

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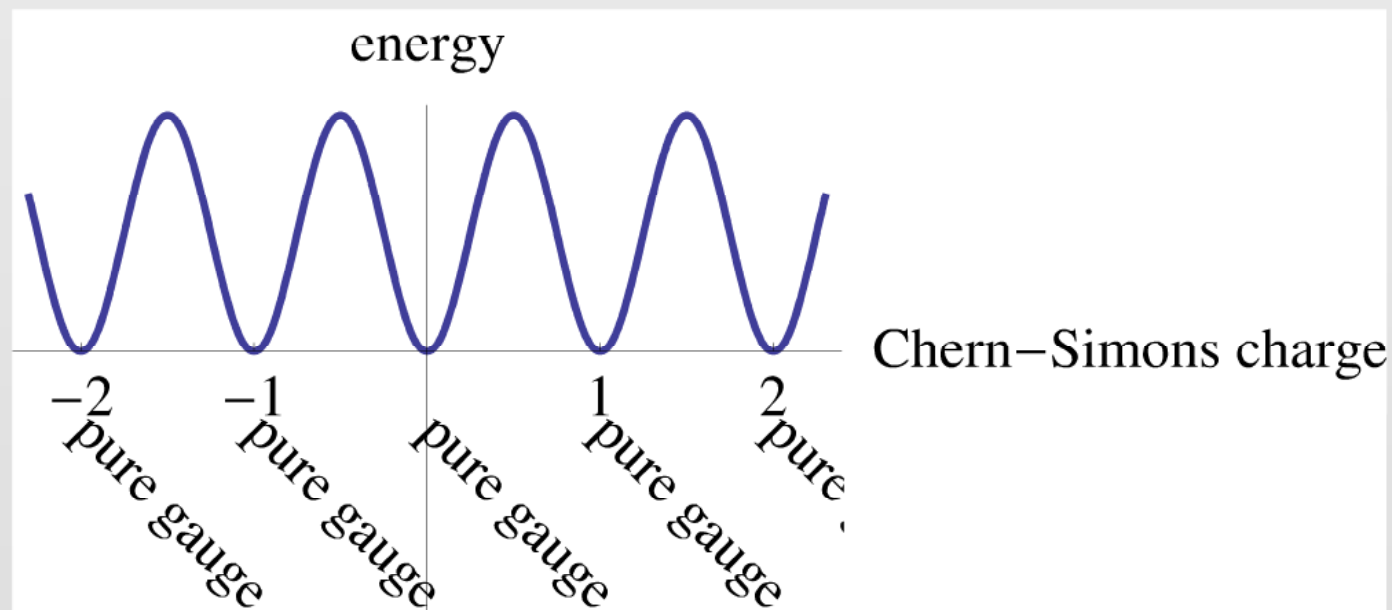
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## Motivation: Yang-Mills theory

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F_{\mu\nu}^a$$

- pure gauge fields are topological vacua

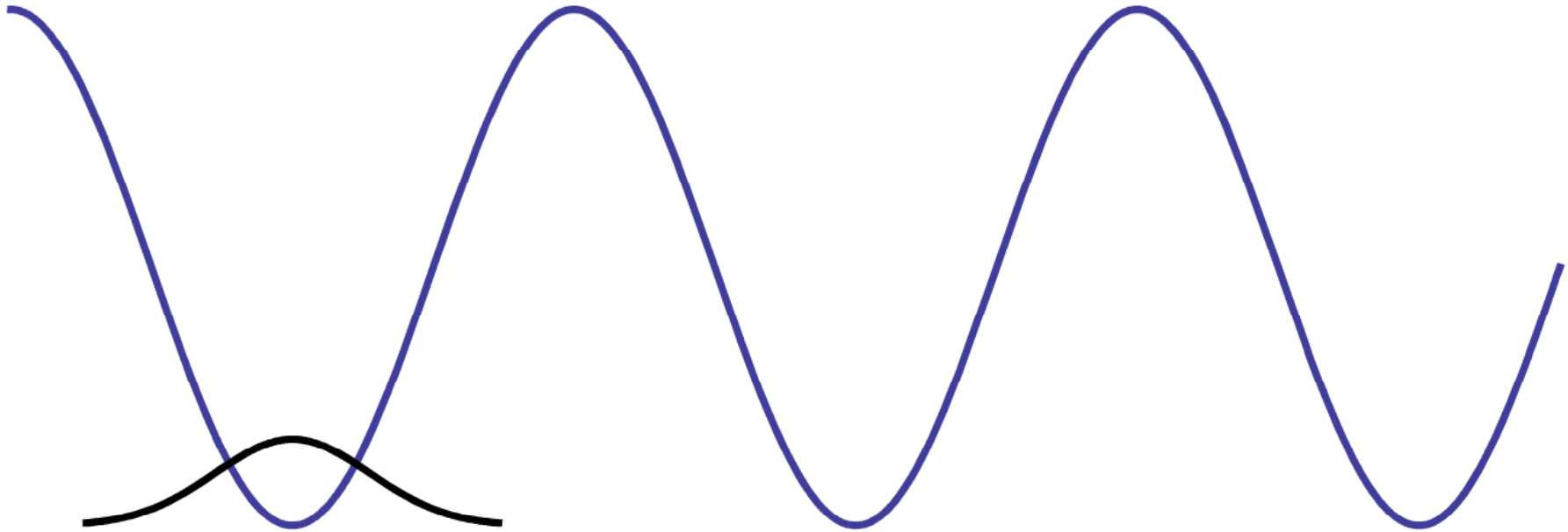


- QCD vacuum in Euclidean space is an (interacting) instanton liquid

$$H = \frac{1}{2} P^2 + \frac{1}{g} (1 - \cos(\sqrt{g} X))$$

(in dilute gas approximation)

**Instantons**



**Perturbation  
theory**

How do they work together?

$$H = \text{harmonic oscillator} + \mathcal{O}(g)$$

perform Rayleigh-Schrödinger perturbation theory

$$E_0 = \sum_n \epsilon_n g^n \quad n = 0, \dots, 150, \dots$$

$$\epsilon_n \approx -0.64 \frac{1}{16^n} n!$$

**asymptotic series!**

common procedure:

stop summing on the smallest coefficient

How to eliminate finite errors?

# Borel transform

$$\mathcal{B}(t) = \sum_n \frac{\epsilon_n}{n!} t^n \quad \text{convergent for } |t| < 16$$

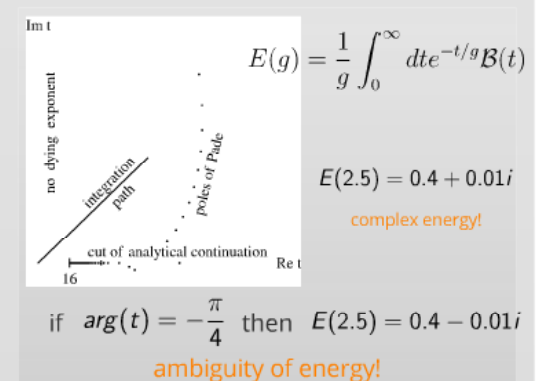


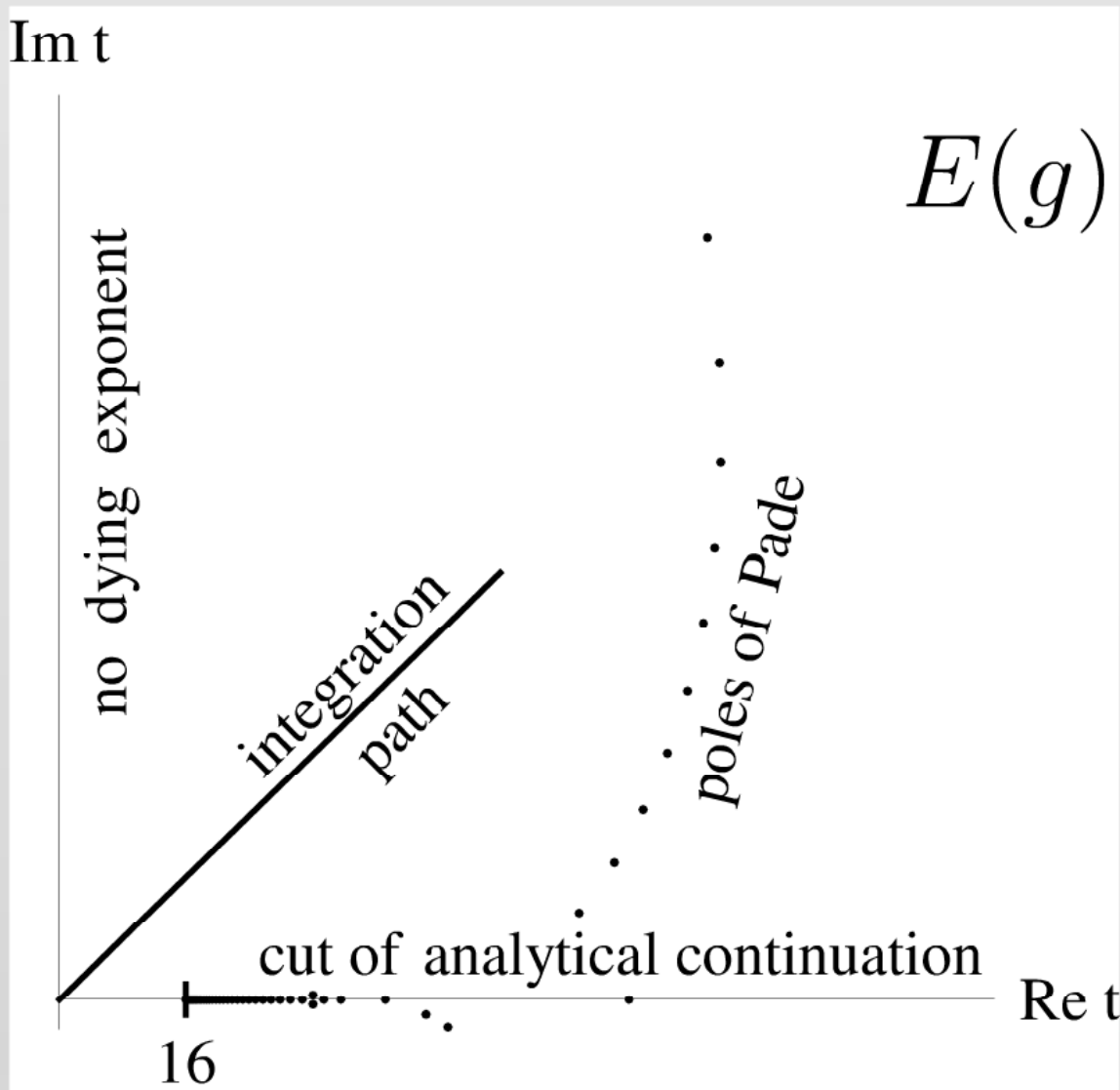
## Padé approximation

(approximation of analytical continuation)

cut for  $t \in (16, \infty)$

+artificial poles





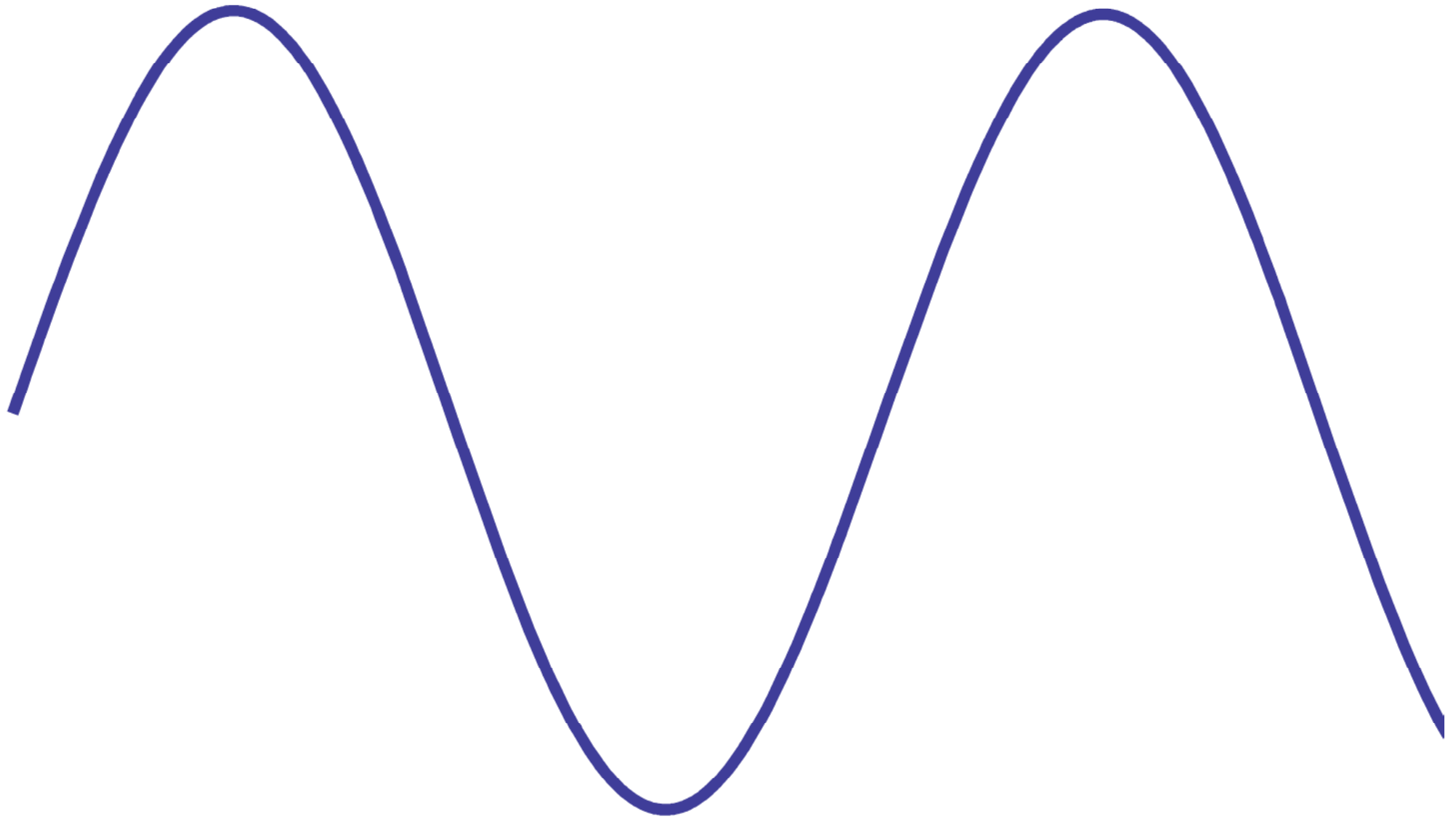
$$E(g) = \frac{1}{g} \int_0^{\infty} dt e^{-t/g} \mathcal{B}(t)$$

$$E(2.5) = 0.4 + 0.01i$$

complex energy!

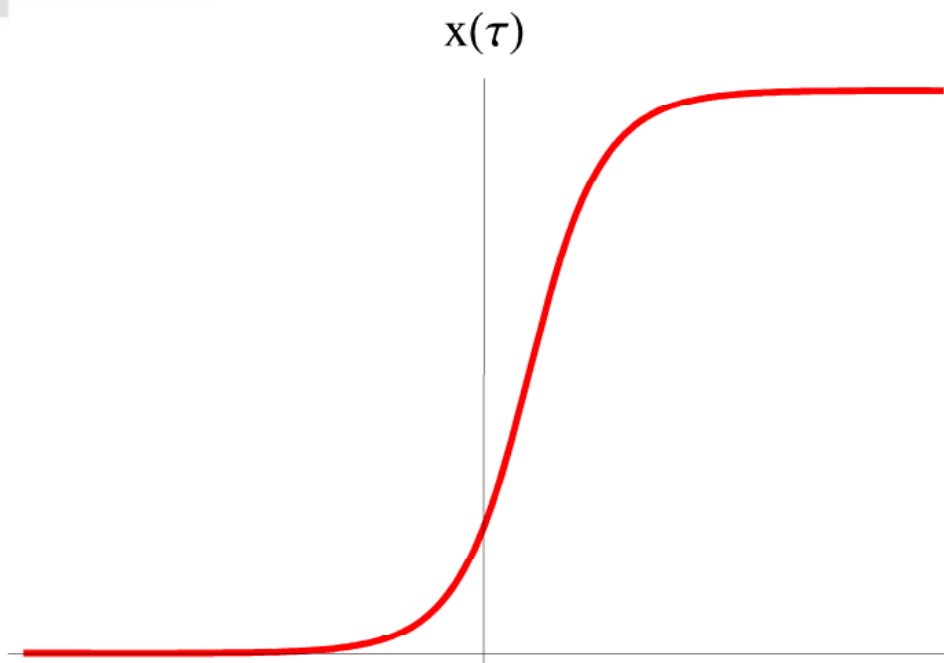
if  $\arg(t) = -\frac{\pi}{4}$  then  $E(2.5) = 0.4 - 0.01i$

ambiguity of energy!



# Instantons

(in dilute gas approximation)



Euclidean action  
(inverted potential)

$$S[x] = \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} d\tau \left( \frac{1}{2} \dot{x}^2 + V(x) \right)$$

$$S_0 = S[\textit{instanton}]$$

$$e^{-ET} = \int \mathcal{D}[x] e^{-S[x]}$$

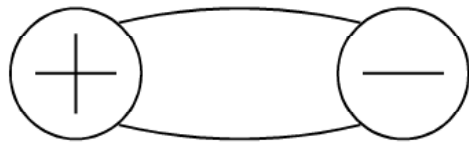
at large T

$$= \int_0^\pi d\theta e^{-E(\theta)T}$$

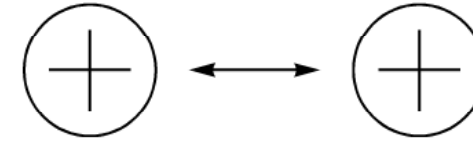
$$E(\theta) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{\pi\sqrt{g}} e^{-S_0} \cos \theta$$



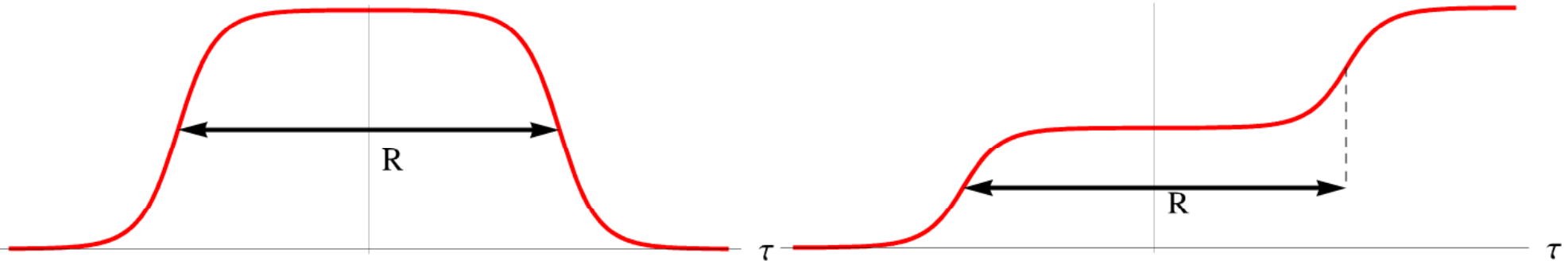
# Instanton interactions



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$$S[x] = 2S_0 - \frac{16}{g} e^{-R}$$

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main contribution from small R  
-WRONG

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-OK

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no such problem

$$E = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{8}{\sqrt{\pi g}} e^{-S_0} \cos \theta - \frac{32}{\pi g} \left( -\gamma + \log \left( -\frac{g}{32} \right) \right) e^{-2S_0} - \frac{32}{\pi g} \left( -\gamma + \log \left( \frac{g}{32} \right) \right) e^{-2S_0} \cos(2\theta)$$

independent

attracting

repelling

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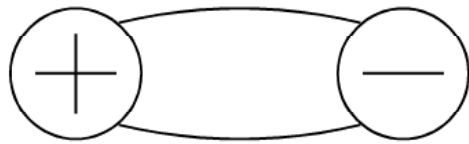
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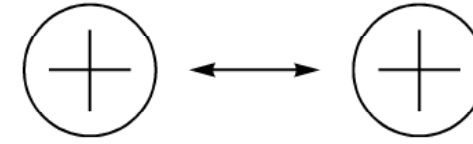
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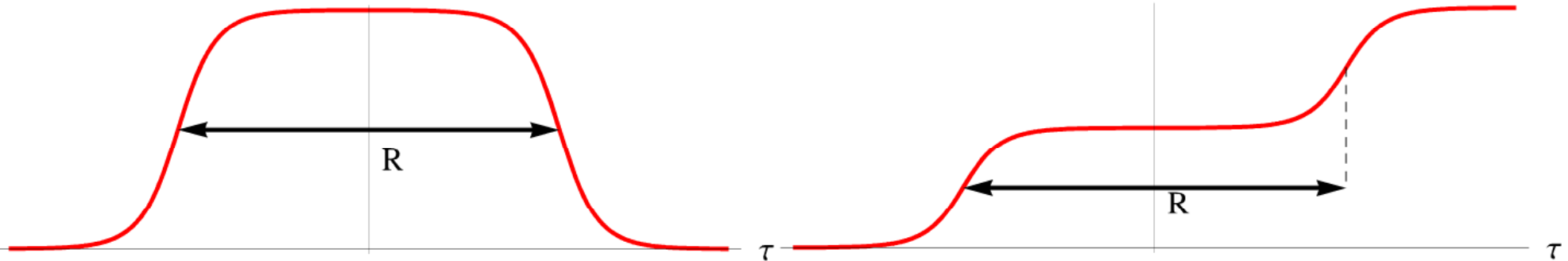
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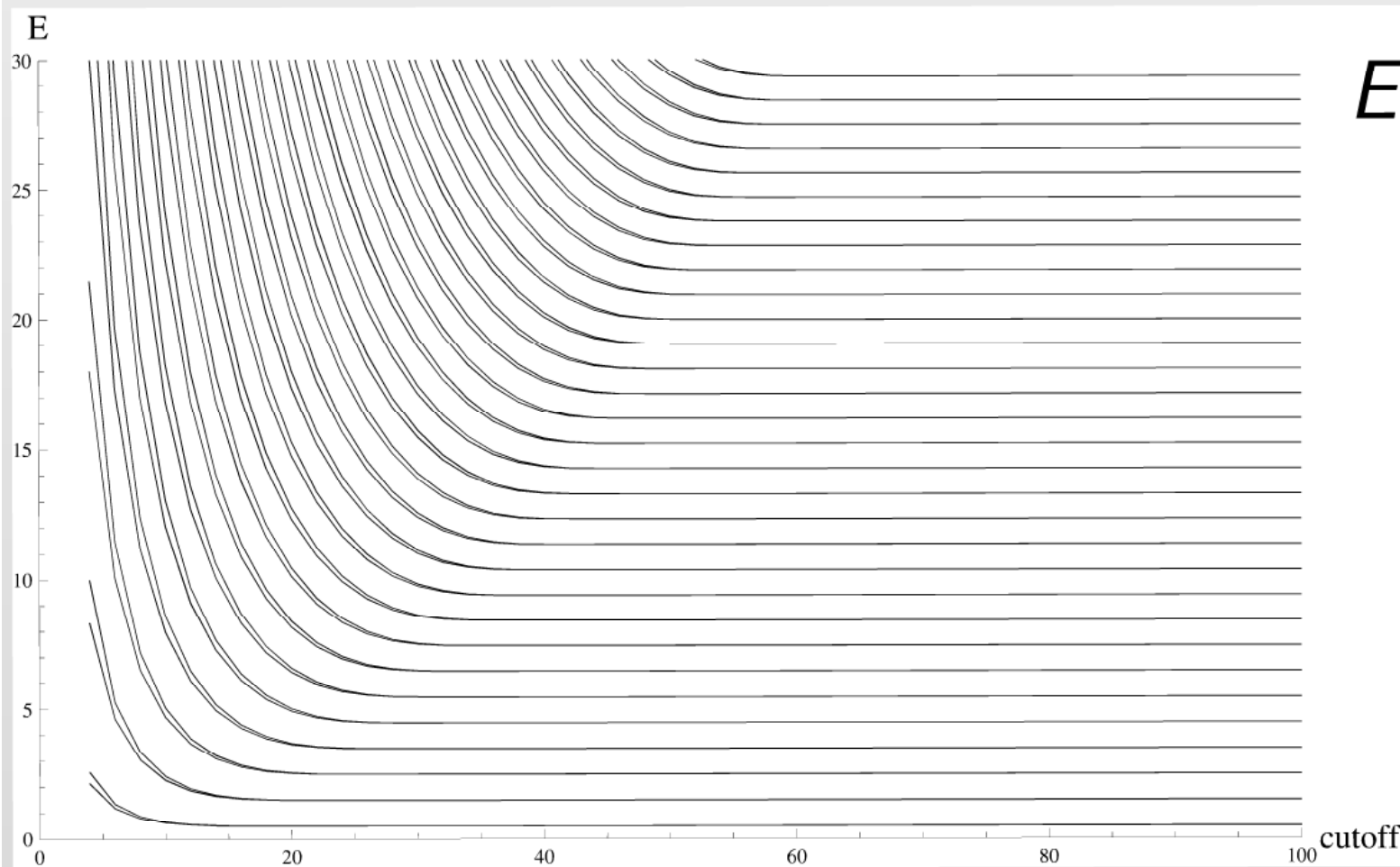
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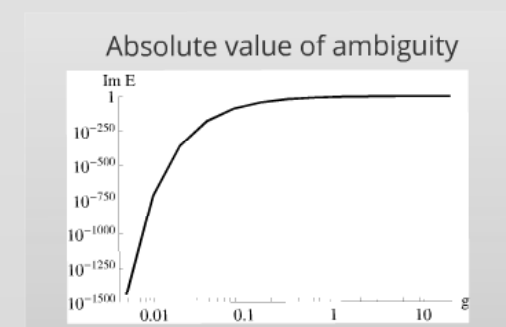
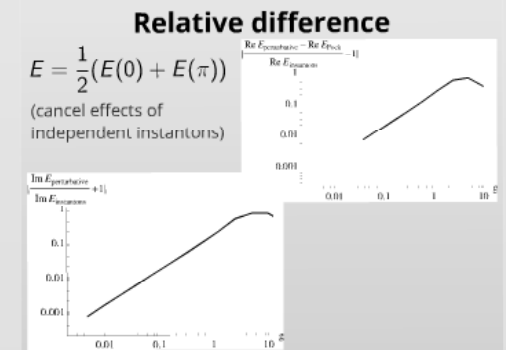
# cut Fock space method

$$(H)_{mn} = \langle m | H | n \rangle \quad m, n \leq \text{cutoff}$$

eigenvalues approximate energies [Wosiek, Trzetrzelewski]



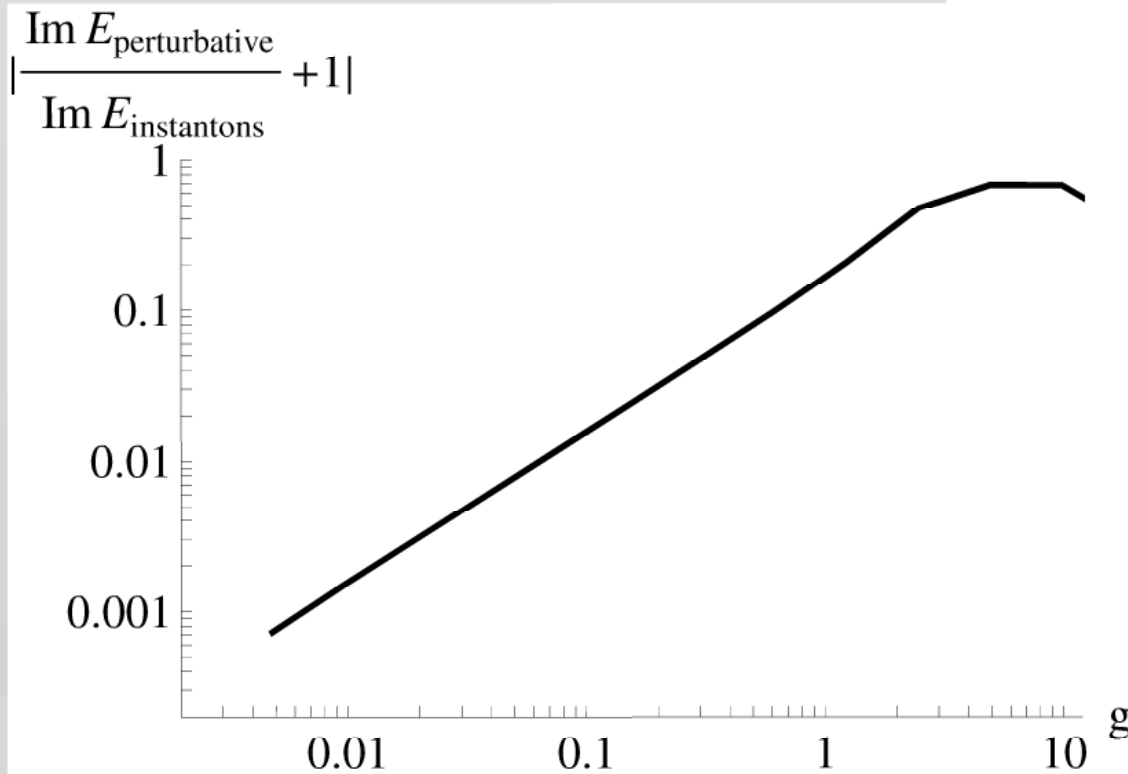
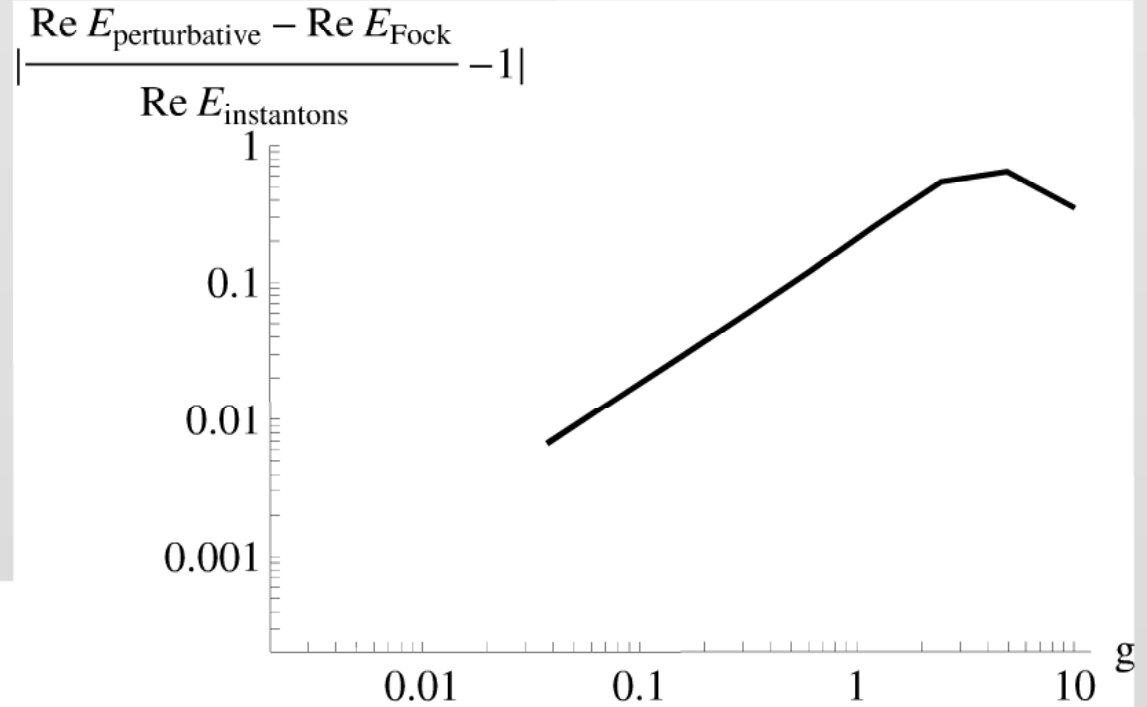
$$E = E(0), E(\pi)$$



# Relative difference

$$E = \frac{1}{2}(E(0) + E(\pi))$$

(cancel effects of independent instantons)



# Summary

- Borel sum has imaginary ambiguities
- instantons move them to higher orders
- real part of energy is also improved

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