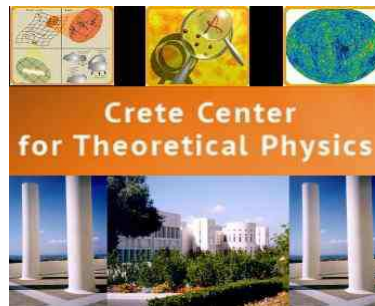


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QFT on AdS

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Introduction-I

- We shall address aspects of the following problems:
 - ♠ Holographic interfaces between two QFTs and holographic defects.
 - ♠ The notion of “proximity” in QFT.
 - ♠ The dynamics of QFTs on AdS space.
 - ♠ Euclidean wormholes.
- As we shall see there are important connections between these problems.

QFT on AdS

- This problem was first seriously addressed by Callan and Wilczek in 1990.
- Their interest was in IR physics.
- Their motivation were the IR divergences that plagued QCD perturbation theory and which made perturbative calculations hard to control.
- The important property of AdS space for their purpose was that even massless fields, had propagators that vanished exponentially as large distances, like massive fields in flat space.
- The reason is that the Laplacian and other relevant operators have a gap in AdS.
- On the other hand, unlike the sphere, AdS has infinite volume.
- Critical systems are described by mean field theory above the upper critical dimension. But AdS acts as an infinite-dimensional space. Therefore critical fluctuations should be weak in any dimension.

- Generically speaking, AdS is expected to "quench" strong IR physics.
- An extra ingredient is that the QFT on AdS must realize the AdS symmetry that is like conformal invariance in one-less dimension.

Callan+Wilczek

- The structure of instantons is also expected to be different:

♠ In flat space, in QCD we expect to have an instanton liquid rather than a (dilute) instanton gas.

Witten

♠ Above the deconfinement phase transition, we expect an instanton gas instead.

- In AdS an instanton gas is generically expected.

Callan+Wilczek

- Chiral invariance for fermions is broken by boundary conditions in AdS.

- An important ingredient for QFT in AdS: boundary conditions.

Conformal Theories on AdS

- The prime example, N=4 SYM was analyzed in some detail in the past.
Gaiotto+Witten, Aharony+Marolf+Rangamani, Aharony+Berdichevsky+Berkooz+Shamir

- Boundary conditions on R_+^4 that **preserve supersymmetry** have been classified, and there are many.

Gaiotto+Witten

- Upon a conformal transformation the theory can be put on AdS_4 in **Poincaré coordinates**.

- This is true in general when the AdS metric is with Poincaré coordinates:

$$\text{CFT}_d \text{ -- on -- } AdS_d = \text{CFT}_d \text{ -- on -- } R_+^d \text{ with a flat boundary}$$

- At **weak coupling** the theory is generically **non-confining**.
- But at **strong coupling** some boundary conditions **induce confinement**.

- For example, using **S-duality**, the $g \gg 1$ theory with a Higgs condensate is mapped to a $g \ll 1$ theory with a magnetic condensate that should be **confining**.
- In particular, S-duality interchanges (among others) Dirichlet and Neumann bc.
- With Neumann bc **no order parameter exists that distinguishes a confining from a non-confining phase**.
- Therefore, no sharp transition is expected in accordance with the large susy.

A confining gauge theory on AdS₄

- There are two types of boundary conditions: **electric (Dirichlet)** and **magnetic (Neumann)**

Aharony+Marolf+Rangamani

♠ With **electric**: gluons are allowed in AdS, they are gapped, and there is an **$SU(N)$ global symmetry at weak coupling**. **Only boundary currents possible**.

♠ With **magnetic**: electric charges are not allowed in bulk, there are $O(1)$ degrees of freedom, and **there is confinement** (imposed by the bcs).

- There are also many other boundary conditions associated to subgroups.

- For asymptotically free gauge theories with Dirichlet boundary conditions a confinement/deconfinement phase transition is expected

Aharony+Berkooz+Tong+Yankielowicz

♠ $\Lambda L_{AdS} \gg 1$ Confining phase.

♠ $\Lambda L_{AdS} \ll 1$ Deconfined phase.

- With magnetic boundary conditions one expects confinement at all scales, and a free energy of $O(1)$. This is a kind of trivial confinement as no electric charges are allowed in the bulk.
- Wilson loops do not provide an easy criterion for confinement, as for large Wilson loops, the area and the perimeter scale the same way, in global coordinates.
- It is possible that subleading differences may tell the difference.
- But in Poincaré coordinates there are two classes of loops with different behavior for length and area.
- However QFT on AdS in different coordinates gives rise to a different quantum theory.

Rigid Holography

- In standard holography, the flat limit of the bulk AdS_5 gives on one hand the flat space string theory S-matrix and on the gauge theory side a specific correlator at $N \rightarrow \infty$.

Polchinski

- A QFT_d on rigid AdS_d provides also a kind of holography.

Fitzpatrick+Katz+Poland+Simmons-Duffin

- All correlation functions have automatically $O(1, d)$ invariance, due to the geometry.

- One may compute scattering amplitudes in the QFT_d -on- AdS_d and write them as CFT_{d-1} correlation functions.

Penedones

- This provides a novel “rigid” holography (without a graviton in the bulk and without energy-momentum tensor in the boundary).

- There is, however, a **1-to-1 correspondence between boundary and bulk operators**. This is realized most clearly in the flat CFT with a boundary picture.

- This leads to the idea that one can use this correspondence and the standard bootstrap for the boundary CFT_{d-1} to study the **S-matrix constraints in the bulk**.

Paulos+Penedones+Toledo+van Rees+Viera

- This can be done at finite bulk curvature constraining the **AdS S-matrix**.

- Or by taking the curvature to zero, to constraint the **flat space S-matrix** giving rise to the S-matrix bootstrap.

- Therefore one can use the bootstrap on **CFT_{d-1}** to study the S-matrix constraints in the bulk.

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- The zero curvature limit involves a **$\Delta \rightarrow \infty$ limit** in the boundary CFT.

- An important ingredient in rigid holography is that the $\text{QFT}_{d\text{-on-AdS}_d}$ has generically both UV and IR divergences.
- The IR divergences map in the standard way to UV divergences in the boundary CFT_{d-1} .
- The UV divergences in the bulk need to be renormalized in the standard way.
- This entails the renormalization of both bulk coupling constants and boundary conditions.

Banados+Bianchi+Munoz+Skenderis

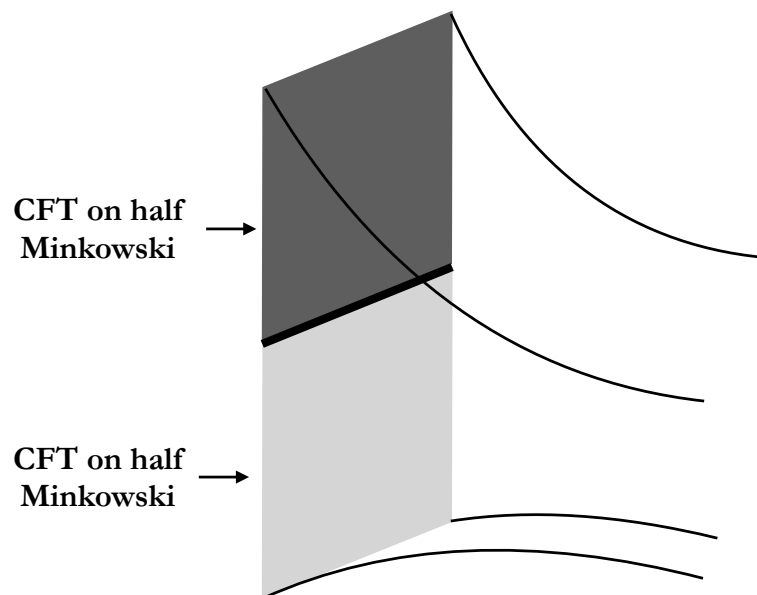
- In the process the $O(1,d)$ symmetry can be preserved.
- The whole setup can be generalized by adding new dynamical degrees of freedom on the boundary interacting with the bulk degrees of freedom.

BCFT

- A single QFT_d -on- AdS_d does not lead to a single rigid holography.
- The reason is that a QFT_d -on- AdS_d needs boundary conditions and there are many possibilities compatible with the symmetries.
- Taking the AdS_d metric in Poincaré coordinates, and assuming $\text{QFT}_d \rightarrow \text{CFT}_d$, we can map this problem to BCFT_d .
- For a given CFT_d , there are many boundary conditions that preserve the $O(1,d)$ conformal symmetry.
- Even in $d=2$, not all of them are known except in some free field theories.
- When $\text{CFT}_d \rightarrow \text{QFT}_d$, the problem is much more complicated.

Interfaces

- The BCFT is a special case of an interface between two CFTs



- We may do a conformal transformation on each of the pieces to **map it to AdS in Poincaré coordinates** with the boundary at the interface.

$$dy^2 - dt^2 + dx^i dx^i \rightarrow \frac{dy^2 - dt^2 + dx^i dx^i}{y^2}$$

- Clearly the two boundaries touch on the interface.
- If the interface is conformal, we expect a **O(d,1)** symmetry.

The holographic picture

- A natural $(d+1)$ -dimensional metric ansatz for the ground state of a QFT_d on AdS_d is

$$ds^2 = du^2 + e^{2A(u)} \zeta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu \quad (1)$$

where $\zeta_{\mu\nu}$ the unit radius AdS_d metric.

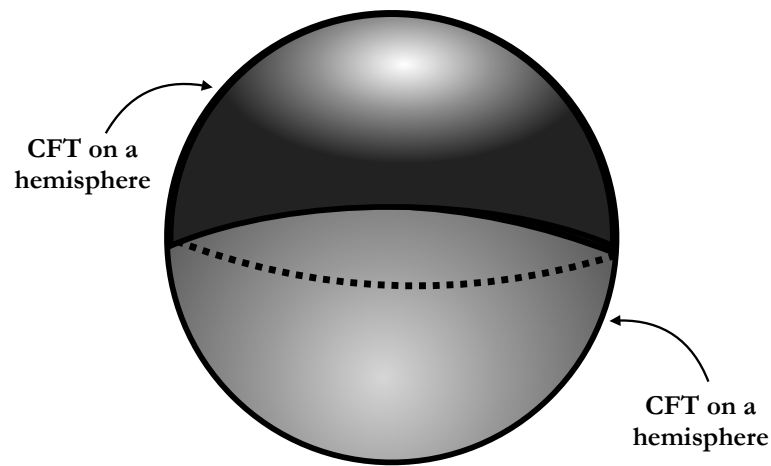
- The asymptotics of e^A near the boundary $u \rightarrow -\infty$ control the source for the radius of the AdS_d slice metric.
- Any QFT on AdS_d has the symmetry of AdS_d: $O(1,d)$.
- This is reflected in the ansatz above

Holographic Interfaces

- Generically the presence of an interface breaks $O(1, d + 1) \rightarrow O(1, d)$.
- If the interface is “transparent” then the full symmetry is $O(1, d + 1)$.
- In this case the bulk solution is global AdS_{d+1} , sliced with AdS_d slices and

$$e^A = \cosh \frac{u}{\ell} \quad , \quad -\infty < u < +\infty$$

- This is a non-monotonic scale factor.
- In such a case the metric has two (apparent) AdS boundaries. One, B_+ , at $u = -\infty$ and another B_- at $u = +\infty$.
- The metric is locally AdS, and can be mapped to global AdS by a (large) diffeomorphism.
- In the Euclidean case, the two boundaries are isomorphic to B_{\pm}^d and they intersect at the equator forming the single boundary S^{d-1} of AdS_d .



- In the bulk AdS case, corresponding to a **CFT on AdS_d** , the gravitational solution is interpreted as two copies of the (same) CFT:

one on $B^+ \sim AdS_d$ and the other on $B_- \sim AdS_d$.

- However, we may turn on more fields and in general **the two UV CFTs can be different**.

- In Poincaré coordinates for the slices this configuration corresponds to two theories on R^d_+ with **an interface** between them.

Wormholes versus interfaces

- The general case with scalar operators (and RG flows) turned on and with the asymptotic metric a general negative constant curvature manifold M_ζ with metric $\zeta_{\mu\nu}$ is still described by the ansatz

$$ds^2 = du^2 + e^{2A(u)} \zeta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu \quad (2)$$

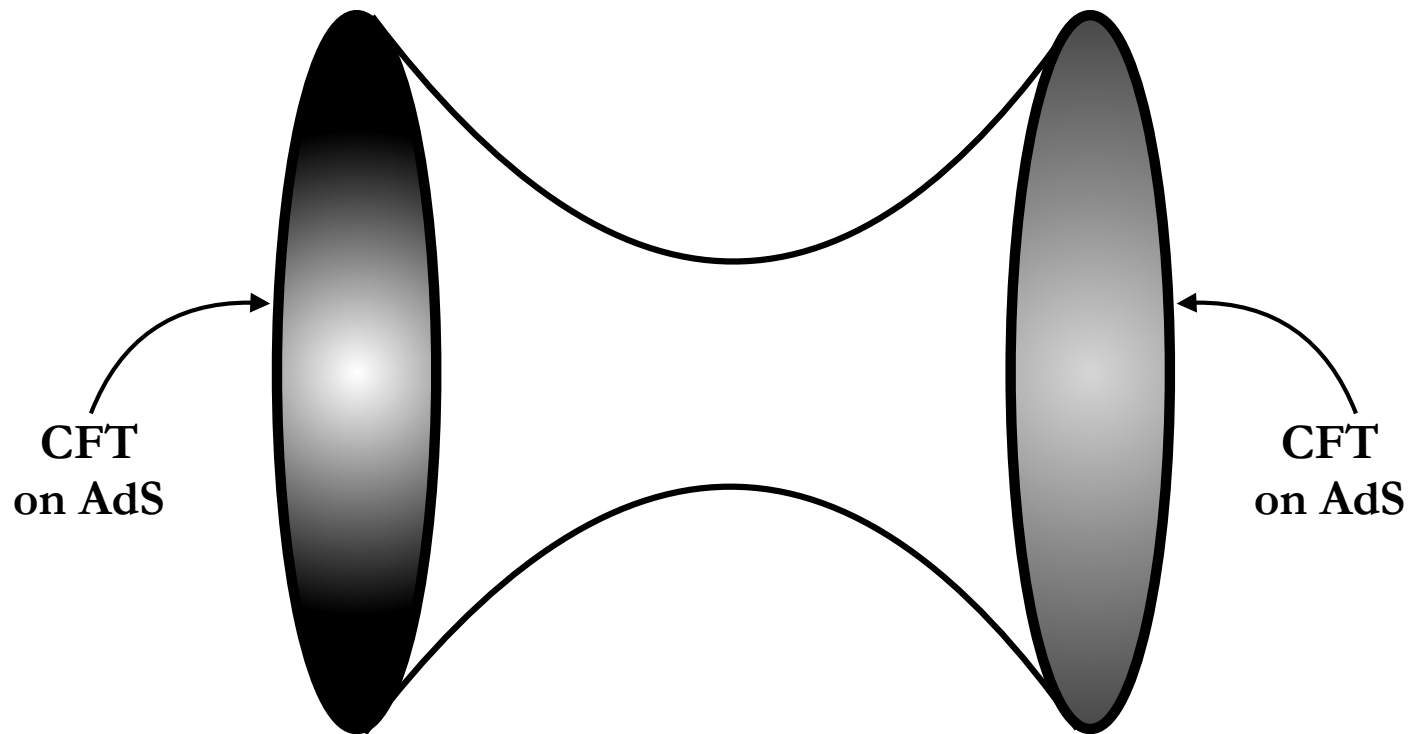
with

$$R(\zeta)_{\mu\nu} = -\frac{d-1}{L^2} \zeta_{\mu\nu}$$

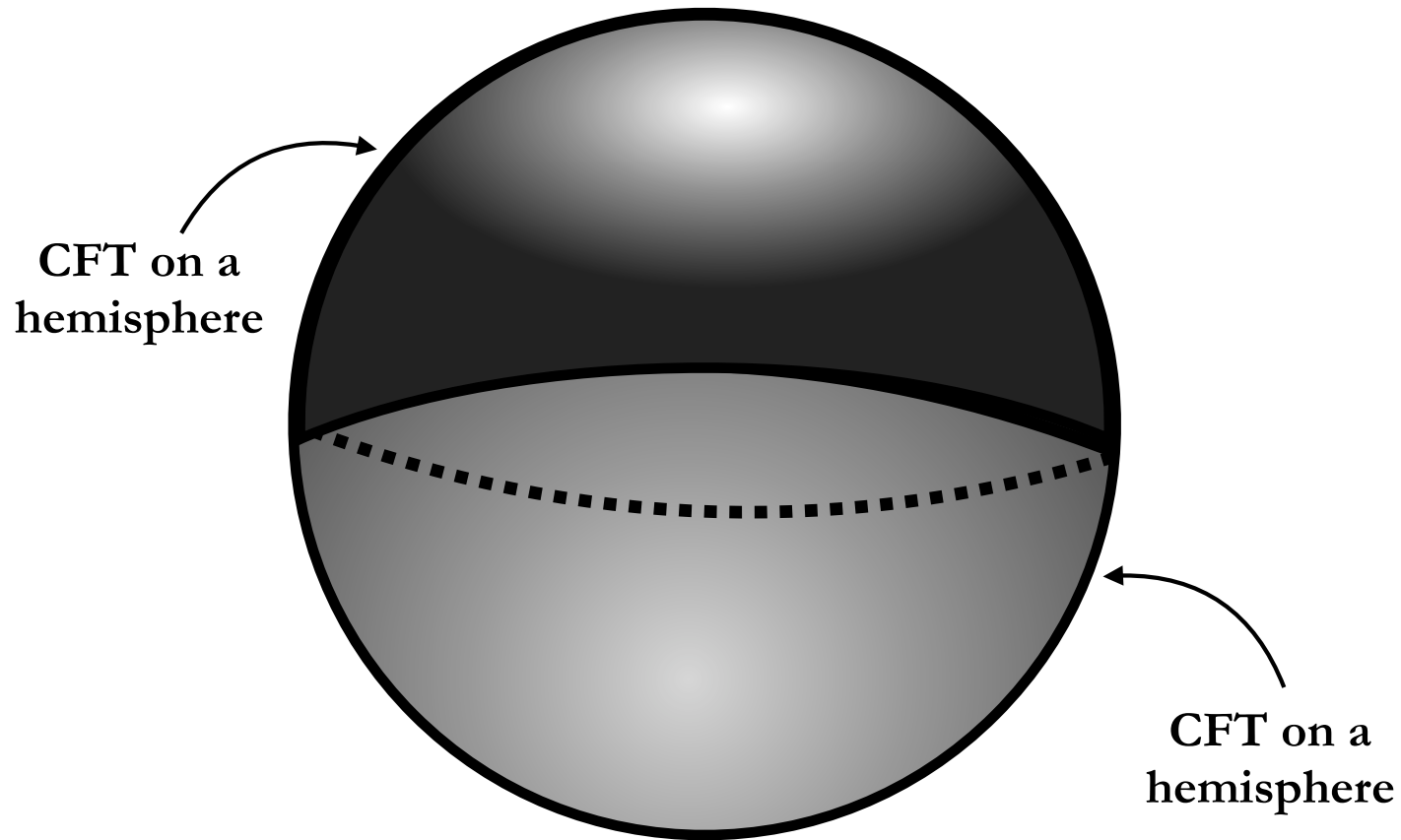
while other fields, (like scalars) can change continuously between $-\infty < u < +\infty$.

- Such a (regular) solution to the gravitational equations has always two boundaries at B_\pm at $u = \pm\infty$, iff the scalars remain finite.
- The interpretation of the solution depends on the nature of the negative curvature Einstein manifold M_ζ with metric ζ .

- If the negative curvature manifold M_ζ is compact ($g > 2$ Riemann surface in $d = 2$ or Schottky manifolds in $d > 2$) then the solution describes a **wormhole** with negative curvature slices.

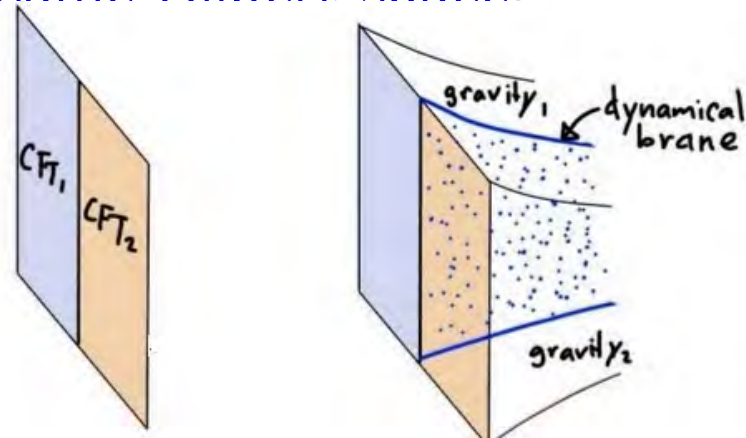


- When the slices are full AdS_d spaces in global coordinates then the dual describes the interface between two QFTs interacting via their common boundary



Proximity in QFT

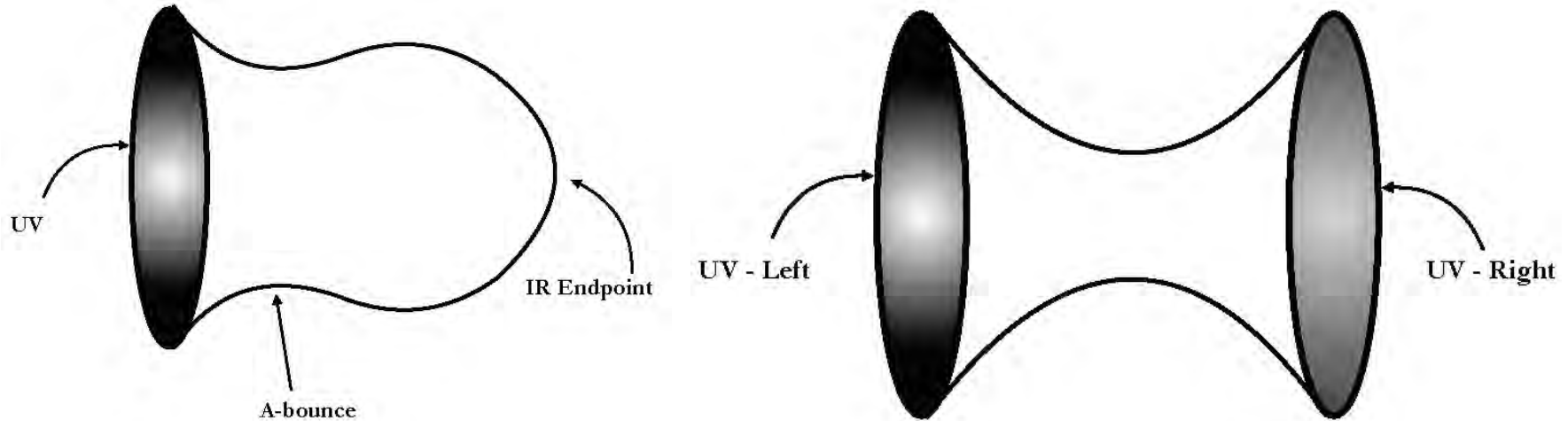
- One possible definition of the notion of proximity among CFTs is : **can QFT_1 and QFT_2 live in the same Hilbert space?**
- If there is flow connecting CFT_1 to CFT_2 we can claim that the two theories can live in the same Hilbert space.



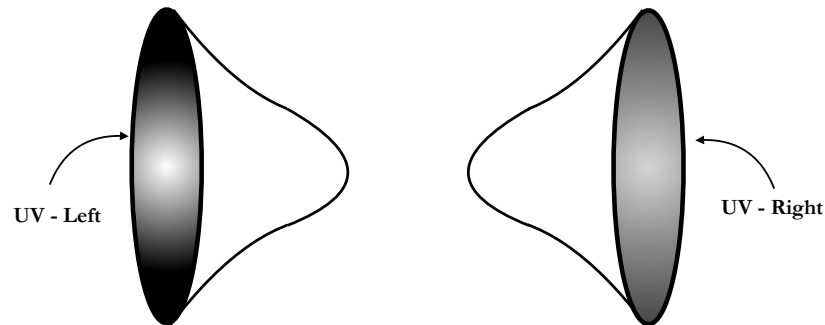
- Proximity can be defined in terms of the possibility for two theories to share an interface.
- They may be generating a bulk brane or *Takayanagi*
- They may be like **Janus interface geometries**. *Bak+Gutperle+Hirano, + many others*

Holographic QFT_d on AdS_d

- Such a theory is described by a solution in the same ansatz but with only one (not two) boundaries, B_+ .
- We have therefore three possibilities: QFT_d on AdS_d, interface between QFT_d and QFT'_d, or a wormhole.



- If a single boundary solution exists then we can have competing saddle points for the two-boundary solutions



The AdS-sliced RG flows

- We assume an Einstein-dilaton theory in order to simplify our explorative task.

$$S_{Bulk} = M_P^{d-1} \int du d^d x \sqrt{-g} \left(R - \frac{1}{2} g^{ab} \partial_a \Phi \partial_b \Phi - V(\Phi) \right).$$

$$ds^2 = du^2 + e^{2A(u)} \zeta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu, \quad \Phi = \Phi(u)$$

- The slice is a manifold M_ζ whose metric ζ is any (constant) negative curvature Einstein metric.

$$R_{\mu\nu}^{(\zeta)} = \kappa \zeta_{\mu\nu}, \quad R^{(\zeta)} = d\kappa, \quad \kappa = -\frac{(d-1)}{\alpha^2}.$$

- The solution is characterized by the scalar field profile $\Phi(u)$ and by the scale factor $A(u)$, which are related via the bulk Einstein equations.
- We systematically study the solutions to these equations for $R^{(\zeta)} < 0$.
- The regular solutions have generically two boundaries B_\pm at $u = \pm\infty$.

- Both boundaries are conformal to M_ζ .
- The end-points are at (finite) maxima Φ_\pm of the bulk potential $V(\Phi)$.
- Every solution (A, Φ) to these equations corresponds to:
 - ♠ A wormhole solution if M_ζ is compact. It connects CFT_+ at B_+ to CFT_- at B_- .
 - ♠ An interface solution if M_ζ is non-compact. The interface $B_+ \cup B_-$ is between CFT_+ and CFT_- .
- There are special solutions where $\Phi \rightarrow \pm\infty$.
- They have a single boundary. They generate QFTs on AdS.

The first order formalism

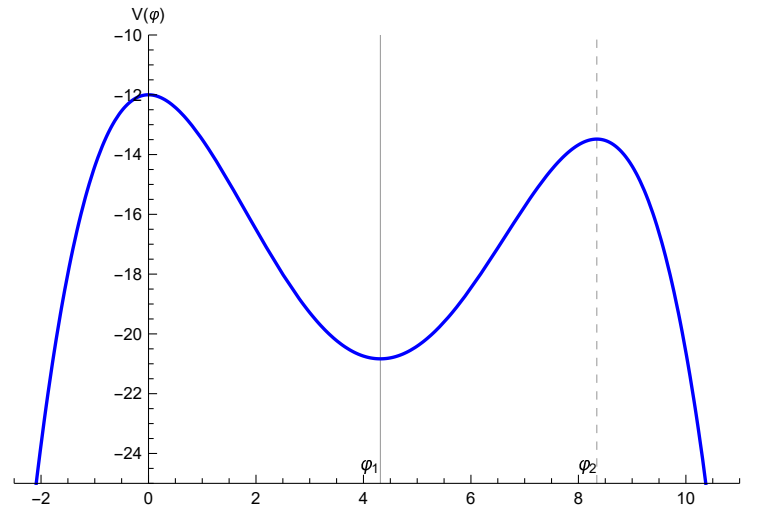
- We define the “superpotentials” (no supersymmetry)

$$\dot{A} \equiv -\frac{1}{2(d-1)}W(\Phi),$$

$$\dot{\Phi} \equiv S(\Phi),$$

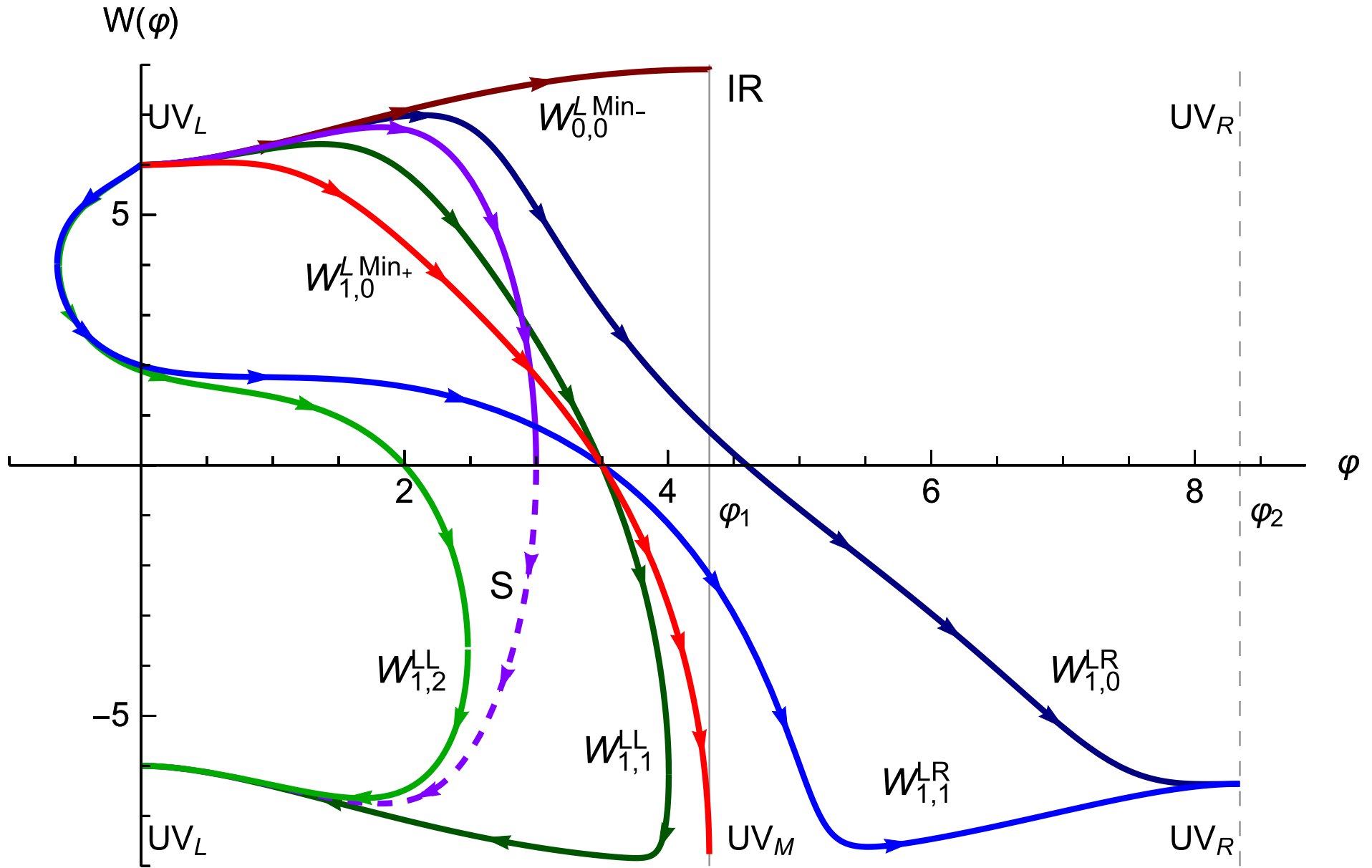
Classifying the solutions, Part I

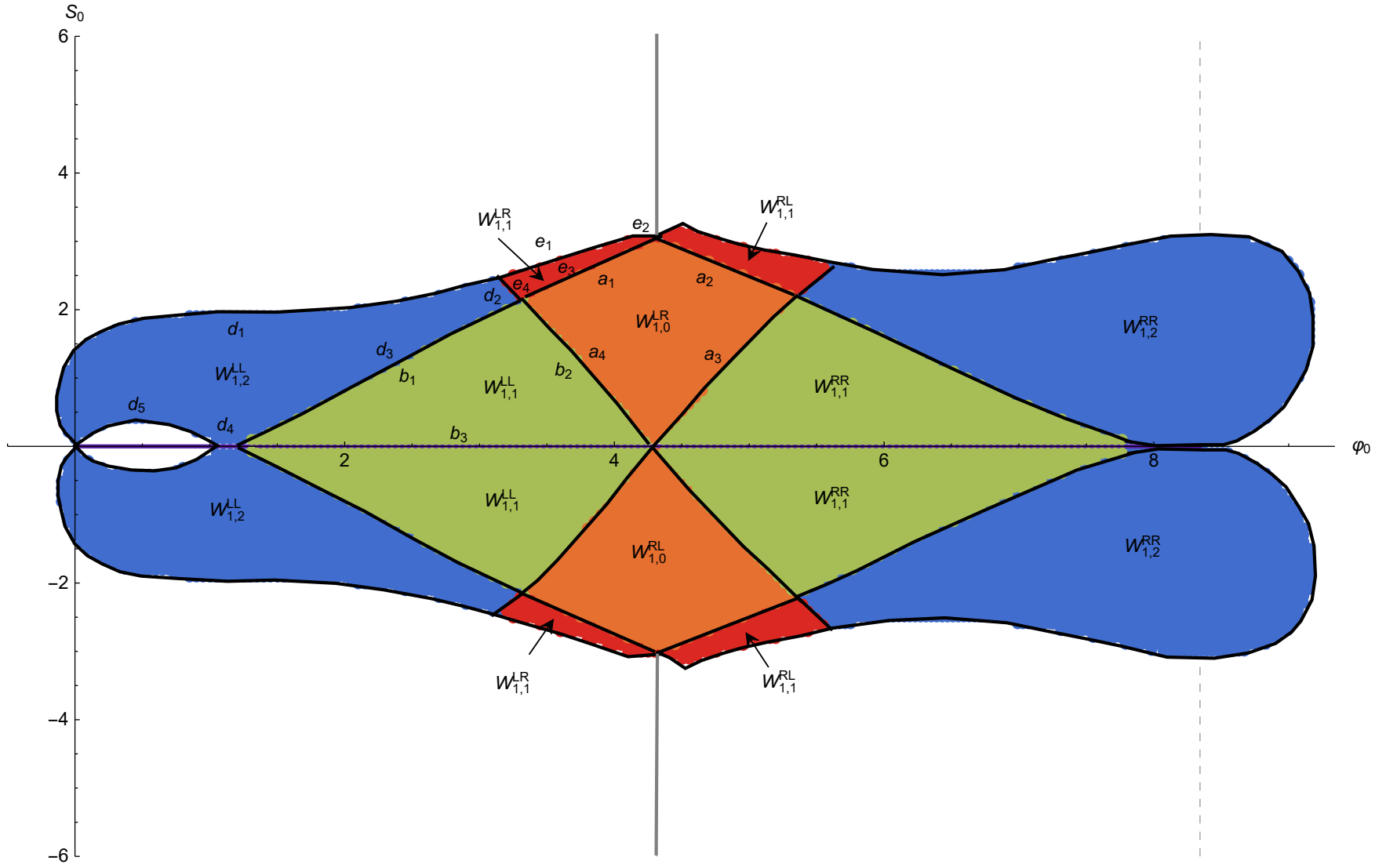
- We pick $d = 4$ and a generic quartic potential



- It has two maxima ($\Phi = 0, \Phi_2 = 8.34$) and a minimum ($\Phi_1 = 4.31$).
- ♠ **A-bounce** is a point where $\dot{A} = 0 \rightarrow W = 0$. It always exists when the slice curvature is negative.
- ♠ **Φ -bounce** is a point where $\dot{\Phi} = 0 \rightarrow S = 0$.
- The two parameters $(\Phi_0, S_0) \in R^2$ are the complete initial data of the first order system.

The space of solutions





Confining Theories on AdS

- In a single scalar setup, the confining solutions are solutions where the scalar runs off to infinity.
- These are **singular solutions** (naked singularities)
- But one out of the one-parameter family of solutions is "less" singular.
- This corresponds to a resolvable singularity and can be resolved by KK states.

Gubser: the good, the bad and the naked
- Such solutions **correspond to confining ground states in flat space.**
- All of their aspects (with flat slices) have been studied extensively in the past and are well known and controllable.
- In the case of AdS slices new phenomena appear. Unlike non-confining theories, there is an **infinite number of solutions with a single AdS boundary.**

Confining Theories on AdS-The setup

- We study Einstein Dilaton theory with a potential.
- We parametrize the boundary behavior of the potential (as $\Phi \rightarrow +\infty$), as

$$V \simeq -V_\infty e^{2a\Phi} + \dots,$$

where V_∞ and a are two positive constants.

- The non-confining range:

$$0 \leq a < a_C \equiv \sqrt{\frac{1}{2(d-1)}}.$$

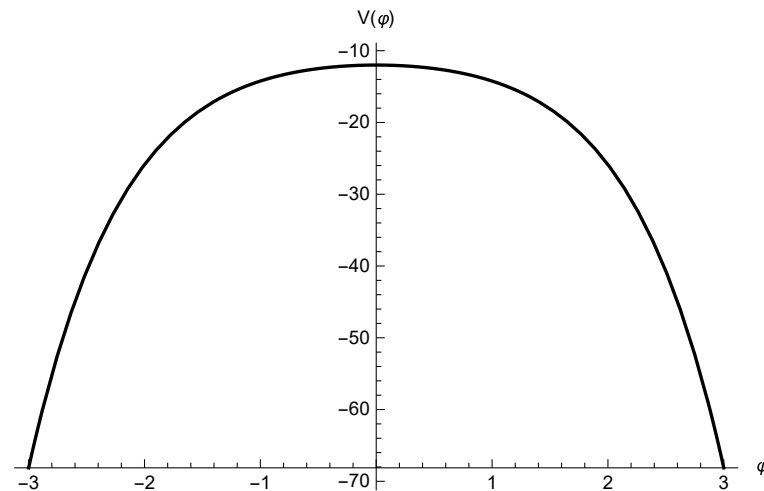
- The confining range:

$$a_C < a < a_G \equiv \sqrt{\frac{d}{2(d-1)}}$$

- The Gubser-violating range:

$$a > a_G$$

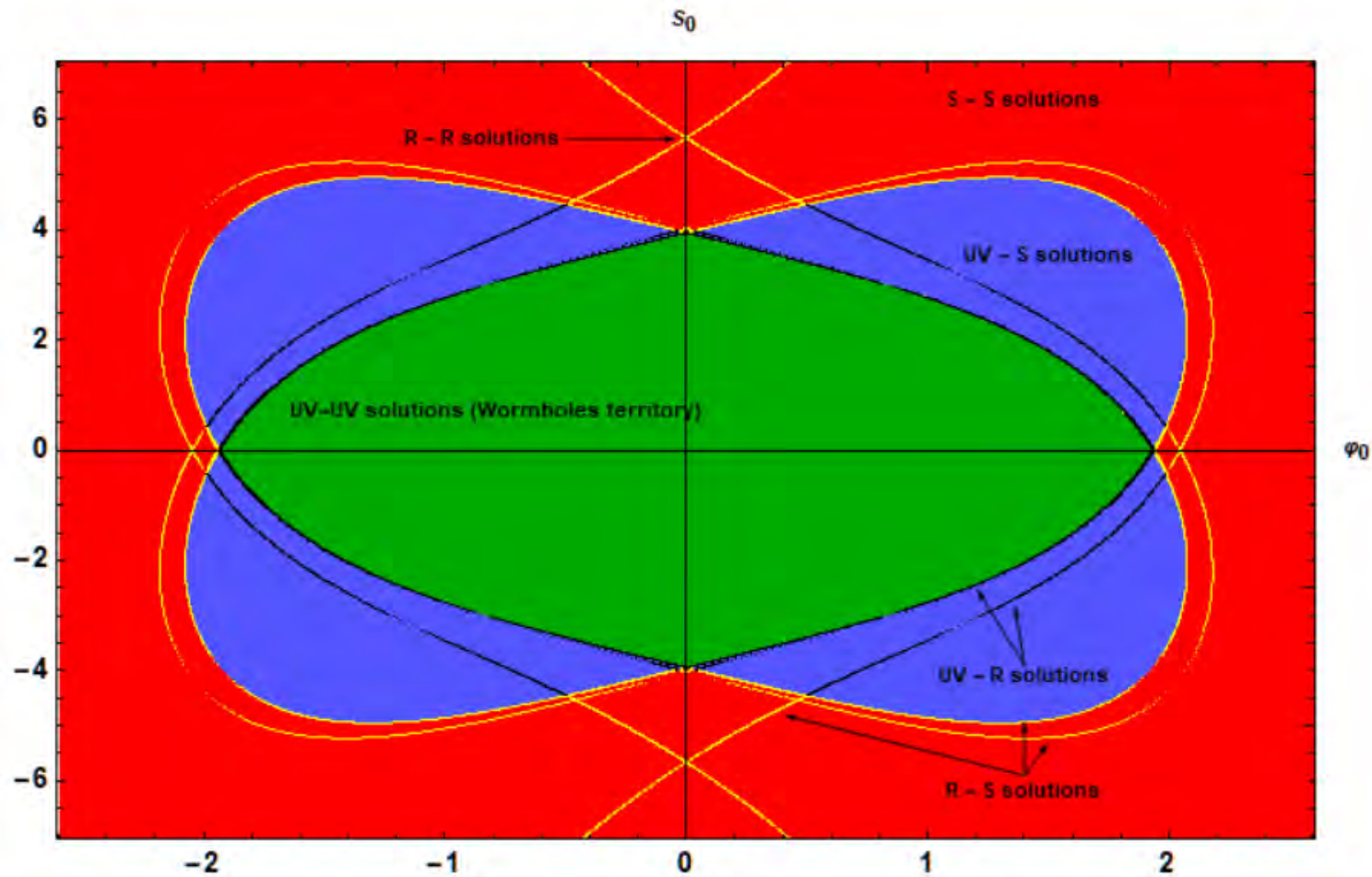
- We are interested in the confining range.
- We choose a simple potential with the required asymptotics and a single maximum.

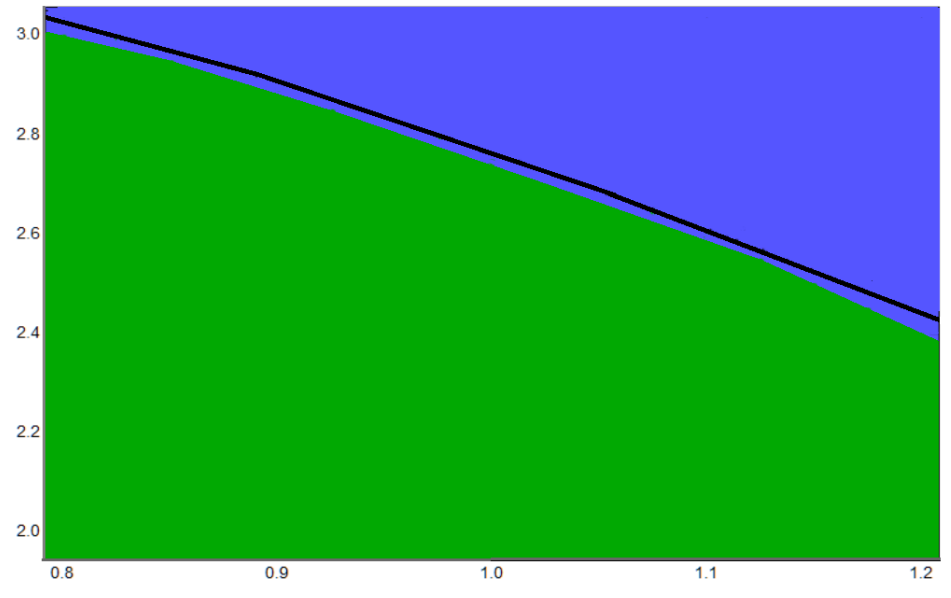
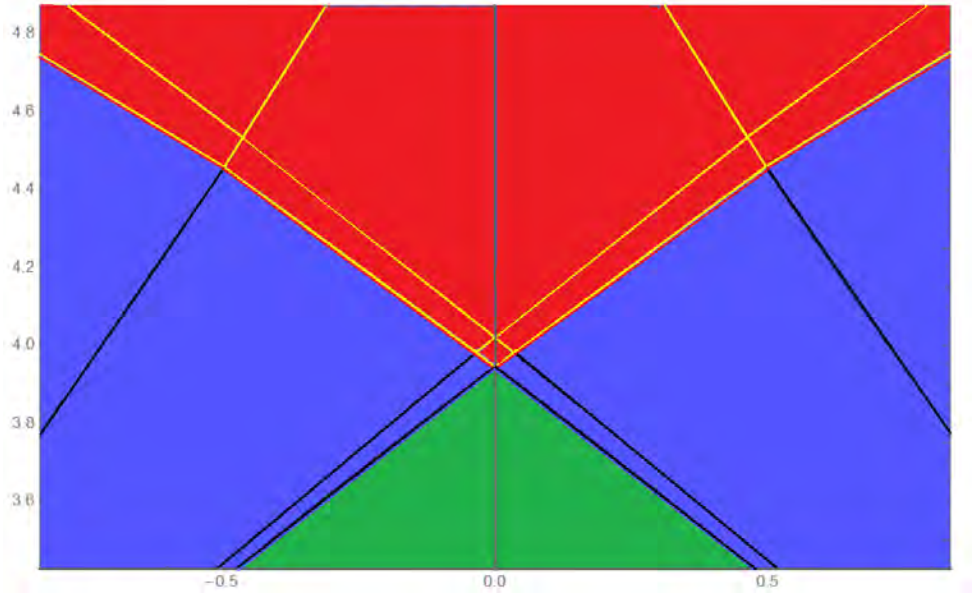


- The theory sitting at the maximum is the UV of the confining QFT.

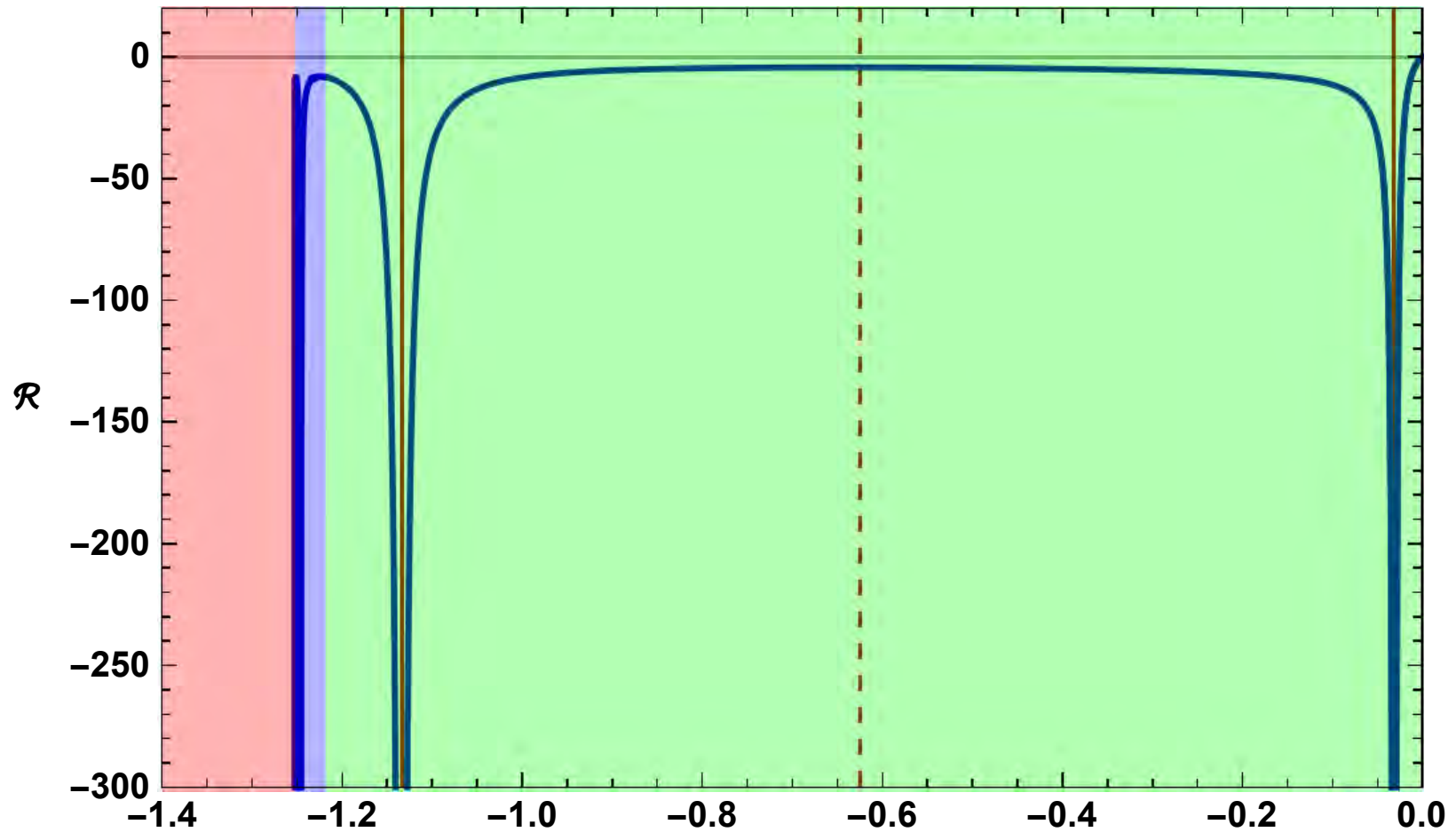
- With flat metric slices, that solution runs from the maximum to $\Phi \rightarrow +\infty$ via a "regular" solution and this is the confining ground-state on flat \mathbb{R}^d .
- We now consider **solutions with AdS_d slices**.
- There are three classes of "regular" solutions
 - ♠ **Two-boundary Solutions**: They start at $\Phi = 0$ (boundary) and end at $\Phi = 0$ (boundary). These are **interface solutions of confining theories**.
 - ♠ **One-boundary solutions**: They start at $\Phi = 0$ (boundary) and end at $\Phi = \pm\infty$ (IR-end point). These are dual to **confining theories on AdS_d** .
 - ♠ **No-boundary solutions**: Start at $\Phi = -\infty$ and end at $\Phi = +\infty$ or start at $\Phi = -\infty$ and return back to $\Phi = -\infty$. **Interpretation?**

Confining Theories on AdS-The space of solutions

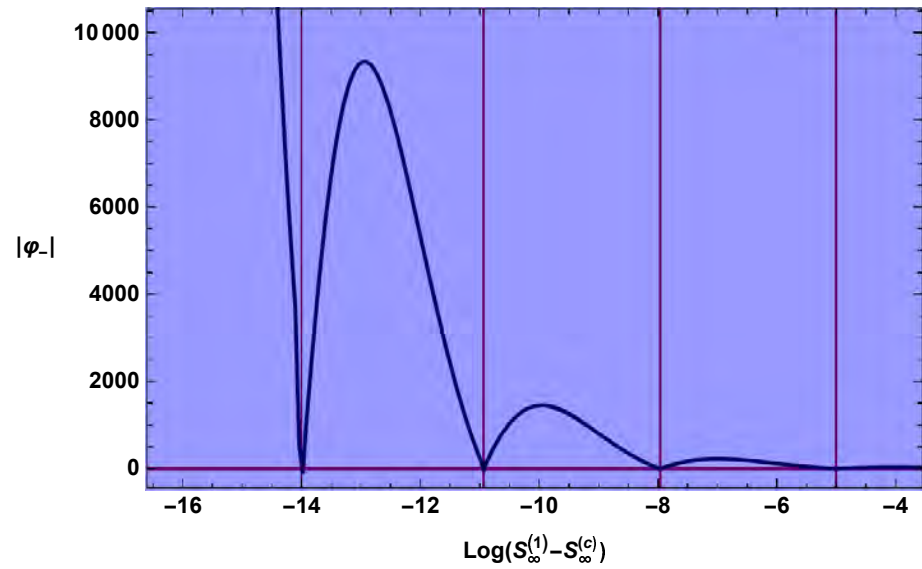
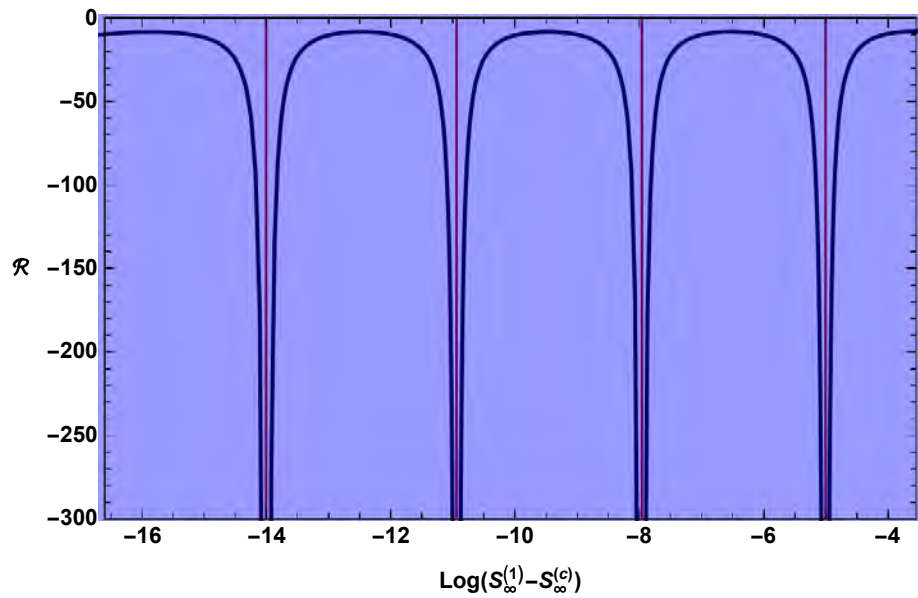




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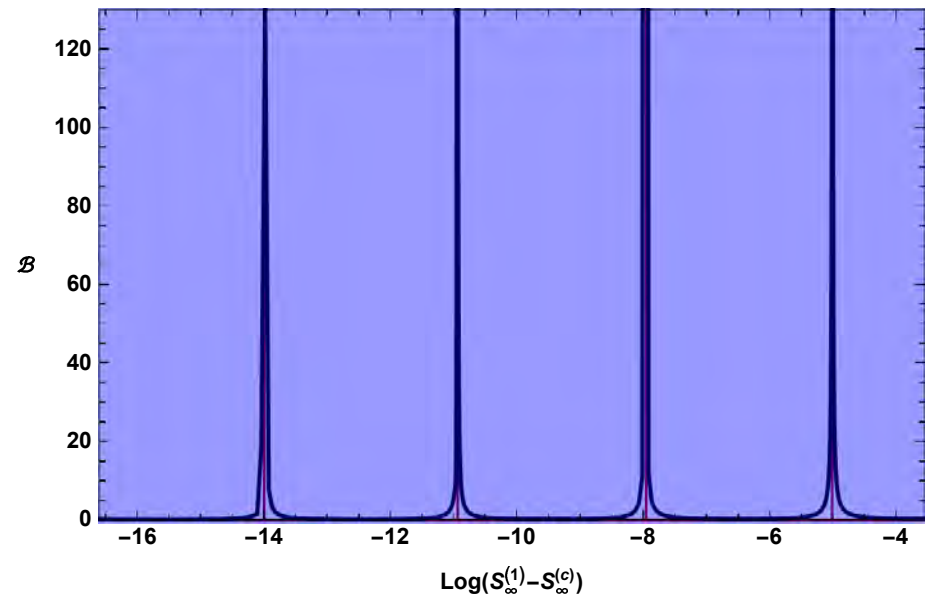
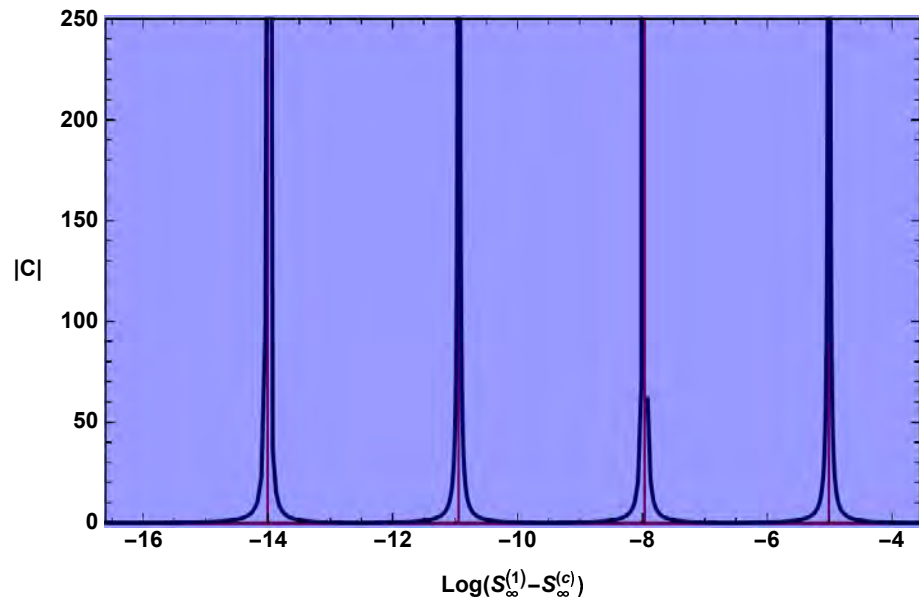


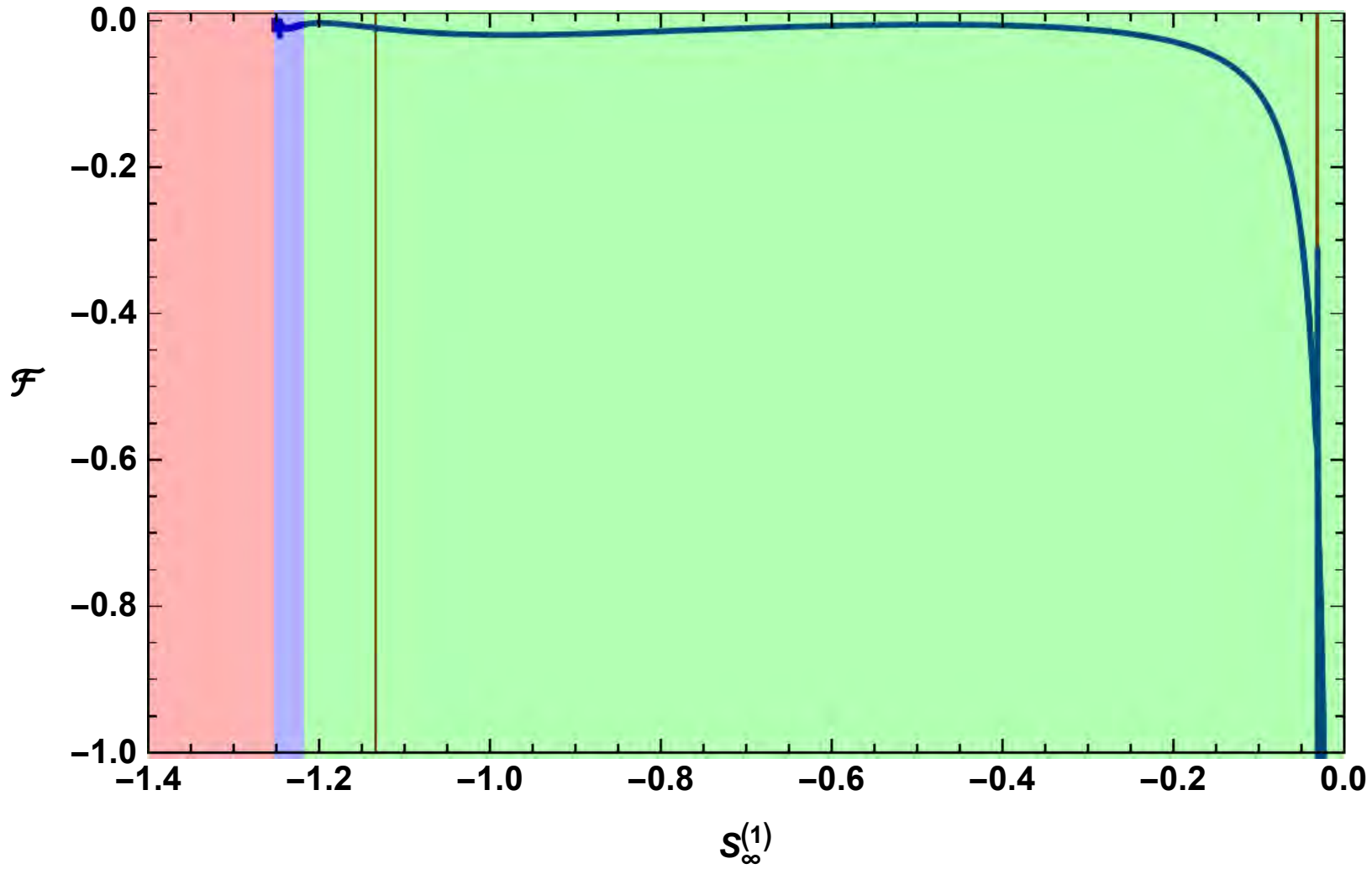
\mathcal{R} , the dimensionless curvature, for UV-Reg solutions. All figures are plotted as a function of the free parameter $S_\infty^{(1)}$. In each graph, the green region belongs to the regular solutions without A-bounce and the blue region to solutions with at least one A-bounce. In the red region, we have solutions without boundary. The vertical dashed line in figure (a) corresponds to the global AdS solution in the uplifted theory and the product solution is the solution right before the blue-red boundary.



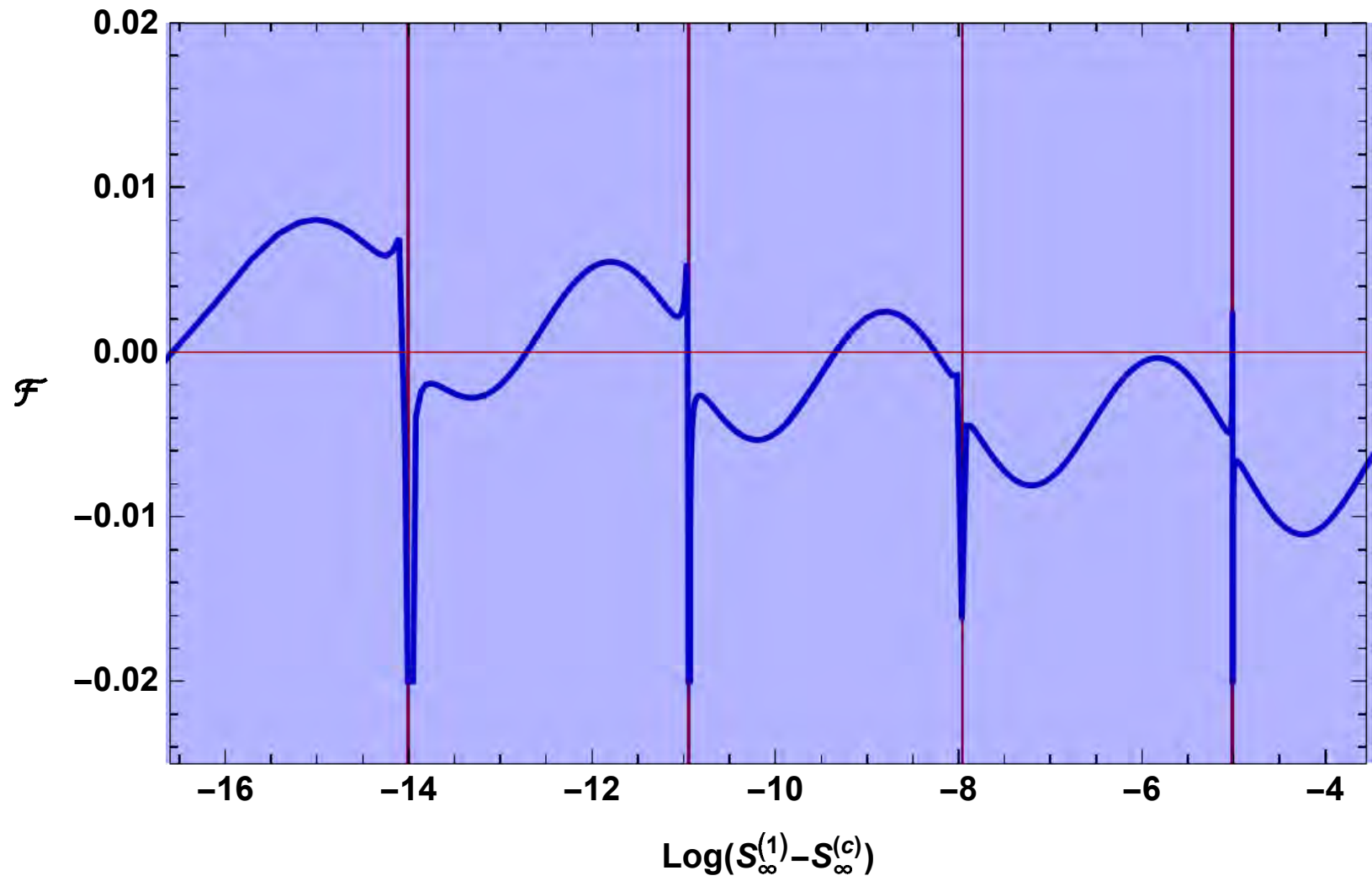
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blue region in detail. The horizontal axis is $\log(S_\infty^{(1)} - S_\infty^{(e)})$, where $S_\infty^{(e)} \approx -1.25$ is the critical value for which we have the UV-Reg solution with infinite numbers of the loops.

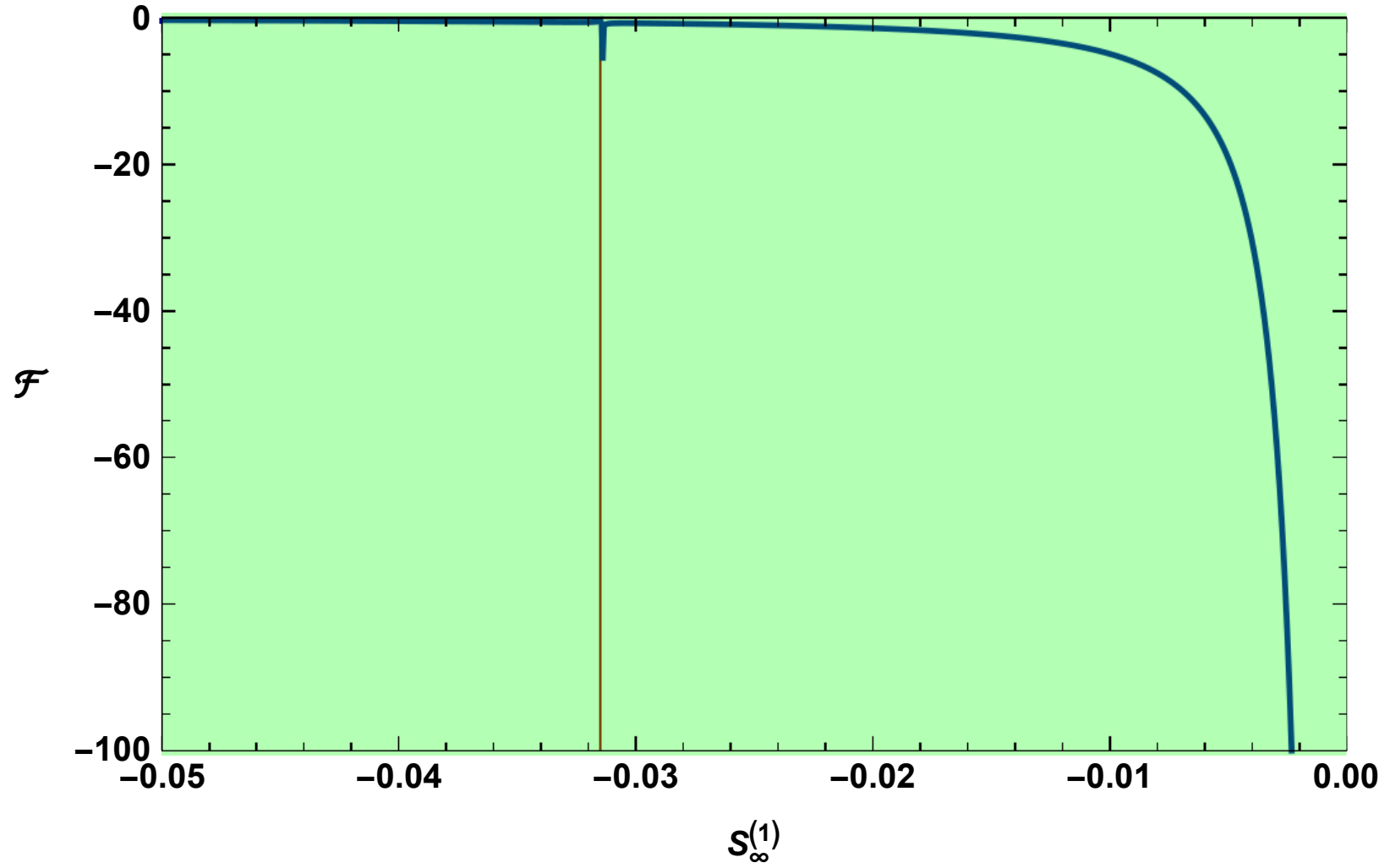




(a): The free energy for UV-Reg solutions living on the black curves. The vertical red lines show the location of Φ -bounces.

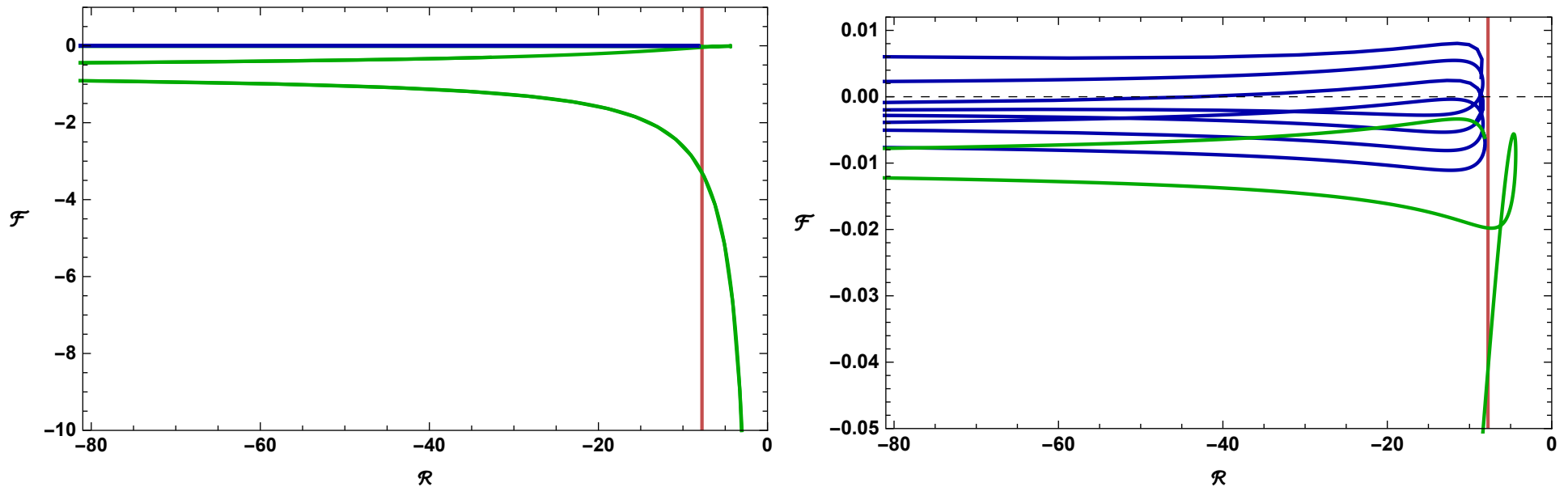


The blue region is zoomed in. The horizontal line is now $\log(S_\infty^{(1)} - S_\infty^{(c)})$, where $S_\infty^{(c)} \approx -1.25$ is the critical value for which we have the UV-Reg solution with infinite numbers of loops. The vertical red lines show the location of Φ -bounces.



The region near $S_\infty^{(1)} = 0$ is zoomed. The vertical red lines show the location of Φ -bounces.

The free energy

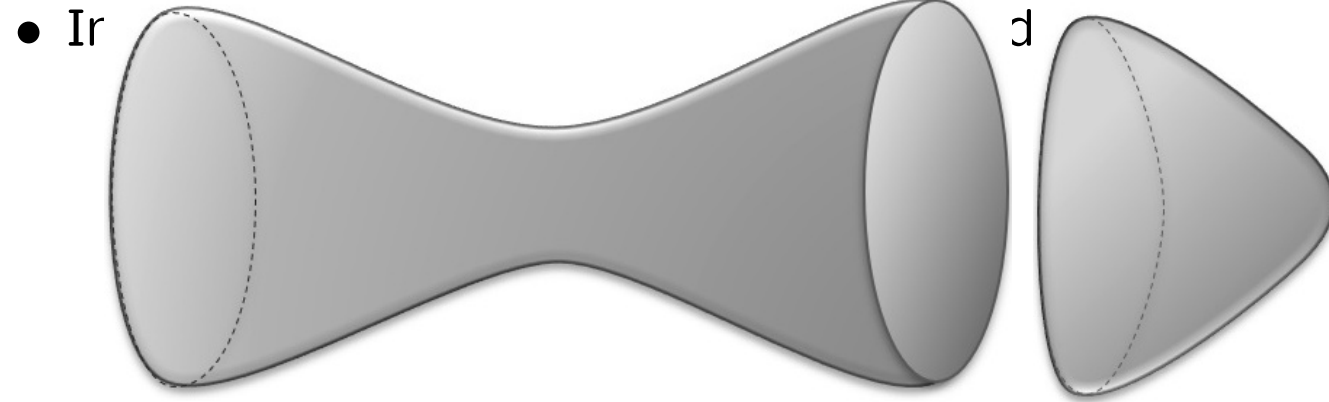


(a): Free energy in terms of dimensionless curvature. The green/blue curves correspond to the green/blue region in previous plots. Figure (b) is the zoomed region near $\mathcal{F} = 0$. The vertical red line shows for $\mathcal{R} \gtrsim -7.7$ only solutions without A-bounce exist.

- The solution with no oscillations has the lowest free energy.
- Is there **Efimov scaling** here?

Two-boundary saddle points

- Similarly, the free energy can be calculated for the two-boundary solutions dual to holographic interfaces.



- There is always competition from the factorized solutions.
- The **factorized solutions have lower-free energy** always.
- This implies that cross-correlators are most probably power-suppressed in N .
- The physics of this result is not clear to us.

Solutions with no AdS_{d+1} boundary

- These are solutions that go from $\Phi = -\infty$ to $\Phi = \pm\infty$, and are classified by the number of Φ -bounces, $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$.
- We believe that a reasonable interpretation of such solutions is as interfaces between topological QFTs on each side.
- There are only **topological observables** in the bulk QFTs.
- If the slices have a (side) boundary, then there are non-trivial correlation functions of interface operators.
- They are associated to linearized solutions around the I_n solutions sourced at the side boundary.

Conclusions

- We have studied (RG) flow solutions with slices that have **constant negative curvature manifolds**.
- Such solutions have generically **two boundaries** and can be interpreted as **wormholes or interfaces**.
- **In confining theories there are also one-boundary solutions.**
- We have analysed in detail several types of examples.
- The results suggest that **proximity is close to RG Flow connection** but its reach is more general.
- We found also many limiting cases where one obtains all possible **exotic RG flows**.

- Other phenomena found include **flow (multi)-fragmentation**, **walking behavior**, and the **generation of new boundaries**.
- Only **in confining examples** there are genuine one-boundary geometries.
- We have found **an infinite number of saddle points** in confining theories on AdS.
- **We DID NOT find a phase transition as a function of curvature**. This suggests that such solutions correspond to confining theories with magnetic boundary conditions. No $SU(N)$ global symmetry is visible.

Open Ends

- The case of constructing a single **non-confining holographic theory on AdS** is still open.
- The study of **interface correlators** is an open problem.
- The **Wilson loops** of QFTs on AdS are currently under study, especially considering the fate of confinement.
- The **Entanglement Entropy** of such theories should be calculated and contrasted to the flat space calculations. **Entanglement** in single theories as well as interfaces is interesting to compute and decipher.
- The fate of the **instanton gas in AdS** can be studied with holographic methods.
- There are general results in 2d that state that entanglement transmission is faster than energy transmission. Can they be generalized?

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THANK YOU!

(Holographic) Conformal Defects

- Consider a D -dimensional flat-space QFT, and a $d < D$ -dimensional localized (flat-space, non-dynamical) defect.
- This provides a transverse $O(D - d)$ symmetry in the theory.
- Consider also the possibility that the defect is conformal: The associated symmetry is $O(d + 1, 1)$ and commutes with $O(D - d)$.
- If there is a holographic realization of this, then the geometry should realize the $O(d + 1, 1) \times O(D - d)$ symmetry. It should therefore contain an $AdS_{d+1} \times S^{D-d-1}$ manifold.
- The ground state of such holographic conformal defects, will be described by a conifold metric with $AdS_{d+1} \times S^{D-d-1}$ slices.

- The boundary of such solutions has several components:
 - ♠ One is the boundary of the total space, and this is conformal to $\text{AdS}_{d+1} \times S^{D-d-1}$, which is also conformal to flat space, \mathbb{R}^d .
 - ♠ There is another piece of the boundary, namely the union of the boundaries of the AdS_{d+1} slices. Insertions on that boundary correspond to defect operators.
- Conifold solutions over $\text{AdS}_d \times S^n$ corresponding to conformal defects of flat space holographic CFTs have been thoroughly studied.

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They have two possible interpretations:

- ♠ As a holographic CFT_{d+n} on $\text{AdS}_d \times S^n$.
- ♠ As a $(d-1)$ -dimensional defect in a $D = d + n$ -dimensional CFT.
- This dual interpretation is compatible as the transverse radial distance to the defect can act as a RG scale.
- In the same vein, \mathbb{R}^{d+n} is conformal to $\text{AdS}_d \times S^n$
- Unlike the case of interfaces, the scale factors are always monotonic.
- The conformal interface corresponds to $d = D - 1$ and the remaining symmetry is realized by AdS_D . Also S^0 has two points and corresponds to the two sides of the interface.

The bulk Einstein Equations

- The solution is characterized by the scalar field profile $\Phi(u)$ and by the scale factor $A(u)$, which are related via the bulk Einstein equations.

$$2(d-1)\ddot{A} + \dot{\Phi}^2 + \frac{2}{d}e^{-2A}R(\zeta) = 0$$

$$d(d-1)\dot{A}^2 - \frac{1}{2}\dot{\Phi}^2 + V - e^{-2A}R(\zeta) = 0$$

$$\ddot{\Phi} + d\dot{A}\dot{\Phi} - V' = 0,$$

The first order formalism

- We define the “superpotentials” (no supersymmetry)

$$\dot{A} \equiv -\frac{1}{2(d-1)}W(\Phi), \quad \dot{\Phi} \equiv S(\Phi), \quad R^{(\zeta)}e^{-2A(u)} \equiv T(\Phi).$$

- The equations of motion become

$$\frac{d}{2(d-1)}W^2 + (d-1)S^2 - dSW' + 2V = 0,$$

$$SS' - \frac{d}{2(d-1)}SW - V' = 0.$$

- Once a solution is found we can evaluate

$$T(\Phi) = \frac{d}{4(d-1)}W^2(\Phi) - \frac{S(\Phi)^2}{2} + V(\Phi)$$

The bulk integration constants vs QFT parameters

- When $R^\zeta > 0$ the flows describe spaces with a single boundary dual to a single QFT with a relevant coupling.
- The bulk equations have three (dimensionless) integration constants.
- One corresponds to the dimensionless curvature \mathcal{R} .
- The second corresponds to the (dimensionless) scalar vev. It must be tuned for regularity.
- The third is not physical as it can be removed by a radial translation.

♠ In the first order formalism the (W,S) equations have two integration constants: one is \mathcal{R} , and the second is the scalar vev. The scalar vev is tuned in terms of \mathcal{R} regularity.

- Then T is determined uniquely and from it we determine $A(\Phi)$.
- The first order equation for Φ has one more integration constants.
- This integration constant is trivial and is not a parameter of the dual theory (it is the relevant scale).
- In total, in both cases there is a free arbitrary constant \mathcal{R} and the second (vev) is a function of \mathcal{R} .

The bulk integration constants again

- The number of integration constants in the bulk equation is the same(3).
- Here, **there is no regularity condition**. The solutions are generically regular. Therefore, **the scalar vev** is an independent parameter and does not depend on \mathcal{R} .
- One constant is always redundant as usual.
- All parameters at the second boundary are determined from the solution, evolved from the first boundary.
- Overall our two-boundary solutions depend on **two dimensionless independent parameters**.
- This is one less from the three we would expect in the general case: $\mathcal{R}_{i,f}$ and ξ .
- ♠ We shall recover the extra missing parameter by generalizing our solutions later.

Classification of complete flows

♠ $\mathcal{R} = 0$. All flows start and end at extrema of the potential.. They have a single AdS boundary.

- (Max_-, Min_-) . This is the generic relevant flow driven by a relevant operator.
- (Max_+, Min_-) . This is a flow driven by the vev of a relevant operator.
- (Min_+, Min_-) . This is a flow driven by the vev of an irrelevant operator.

♠ $\mathcal{R} > 0$.

- In this case, although flows can start at extrema of the potential, (both maxima as Max_{\pm} and minima as Min_{\pm}), they always end at intermediate points, not at extrema.
- The end is always an IR end-point where the slice volume vanishes.

♠ $\mathcal{R} < 0$.

• It is not possible for a flow to be regular and end at intermediate points (non-extrema of the potential), (there is no slicing of flat space with AdS slices).

• Therefore, all regular flows must start and end at extrema of the potential.

• As the asymptotic solution Min_- does not exist when $\mathcal{R} \neq 0$, we have in total the following $3 \times 3 = 9$ options,

$$(Max_-, Max_+, Min_+) \otimes (Max_-, Max_+, Min_+)$$

all of them having two AdS boundaries.

• $(Max_-, Max_-), (Max_+ Max_+)$.

• (Max_-, Max_+) and its reverse (Max_+, Max_-) .

• (Max_-, Min_+) and its reverse, (Min_+, Max_-) .

• (Max_+, Min_+) and its reverse, (Min_+, Max_+)

• (Min_+, Min_+) .

- As mentioned the Max_+ and Min_+ asymptotics are **fine-tuned** (they have half the adjustable integration constants).
- Therefore **the generic solutions** will be of the (Max_-, Max_-) type.
- **Single fine-tuning** of the potential or the integration constants is needed for the (Max_-, Max_+) and (Max_-, Min_+) solutions to exist.
- **Double fine-tuning** is needed for (Max_+, Max_+) , (Max_+, Min_+) and (Min_+, Min_+) to exist.
- We shall find examples of all types fine-tuned or not except the (Min_+, Min_+) solutions.
- The reason is that we have a potential with only one minimum.

Classifying the solutions, II

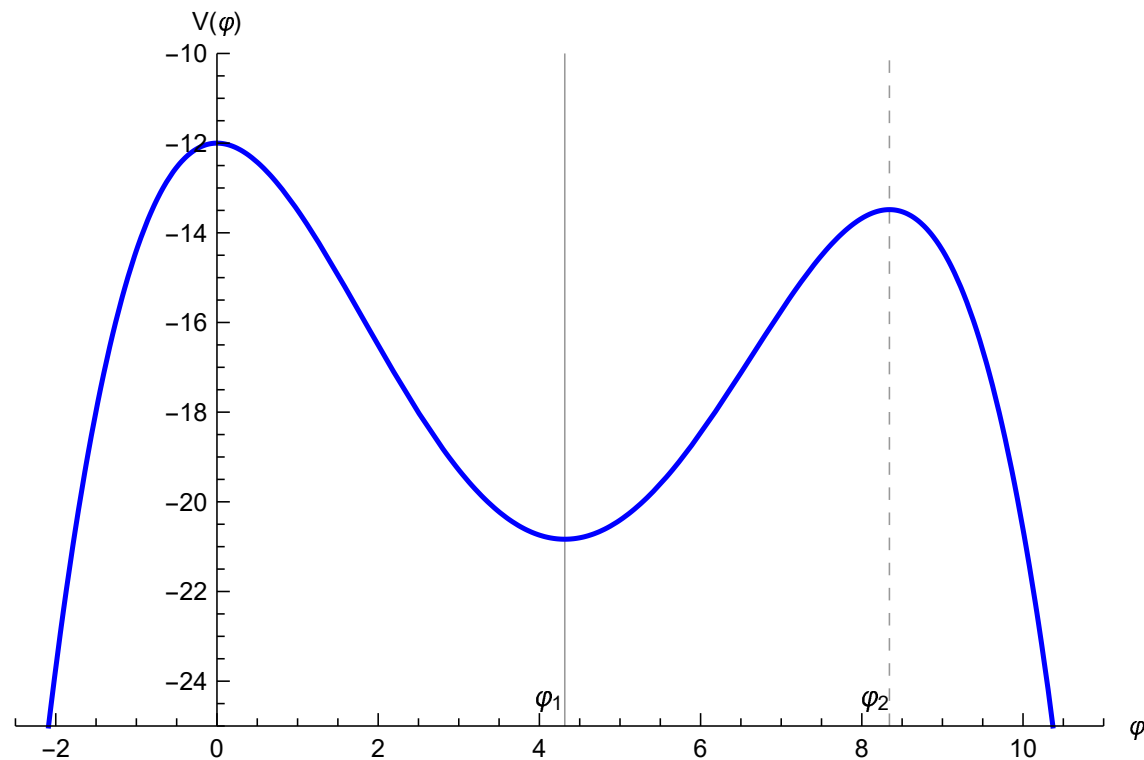
- We picked $d = 4$ and a generic quartic potential that we parametrized as

$$V(\Phi) = -\frac{12}{\ell_L^2} + \frac{\Delta_L(\Delta_L - 4)}{2\ell_L^2} \Phi^2 - \frac{(\Phi_1 + \Phi_2)\Delta_L(\Delta_L - 4)}{3\ell_L^2 \Phi_1 \Phi_2} \Phi^3 + \frac{\Delta_L(\Delta_L - 4)}{4\ell_L^2 \Phi_1 \Phi_2} \Phi^4,$$

where Φ_1 and Φ_2 are defined as

$$\Phi_1 = \frac{12\ell_R^2 \sqrt{\ell_R^2 - \ell_L^2} \Delta_L(\Delta_L - 4)}{\sqrt{\ell_R^2 \Delta_L(\Delta_L - 4) - \ell_L^2 \Delta_R(\Delta_R - 4)} (\ell_R^2 \Delta_L(\Delta_L - 4) + \ell_L^2 \Delta_R(\Delta_R - 4))}$$

$$\Phi_2 = \frac{12\sqrt{\ell_R^2 - \ell_L^2}}{\sqrt{\ell_R^2 \Delta_L(\Delta_L - 4) - \ell_L^2 \Delta_R(\Delta_R - 4)}}.$$



- The left maximum is at $\Phi = 0$. The AdS length is $\ell_L = 1$ and the scaling dimension $\Delta_L = 1.6$.
- The right maximum is at $\Phi = 8.34$. The AdS length is $\ell_R = 0.94$ and the scaling dimension $\Delta_R = 1.1$.
- The minimum is located at $\Phi_1 = 4.31$. It has $\Delta_+^{min} = 4.37$.

- “Technical” definitions:

♠ **A-bounce** is a point where $\dot{A} = 0 \rightarrow W = 0$. It always exists when the slice curvature is negative.

- Our solutions will have a single A-bounce. We shall denote its position by Φ_0 .

♠ **Φ -bounce** is a point where $\dot{\Phi} = 0 \rightarrow S = 0$. It is a point where the first order equations break down but the second order equations do not.

♠ An **IR-bounce** is a point where both $\dot{A} = \dot{\Phi} = 0$.

- All bounces are defined AWAY from extremal points of V.

- We always start our solution at the (unique) **A-bounce** at $\Phi = \Phi_0$ and we solve the first order equations

$$\frac{d}{2(d-1)}W^2 + (d-1)S^2 - dSW' + 2V = 0,$$

$$SS' - \frac{d}{2(d-1)}SW - V' = 0.$$

- We only need an extra “initial” condition: $S_0 \equiv \dot{\Phi}|_{\Phi=\Phi_0} \equiv S(\Phi_0)$.
- The two parameters $(\Phi_0, S_0) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ are the complete initial data of the first order system.
- For each pair (Φ_0, S_0) there is a **unique** solution.
- We then start solving the equations to the left and right of Φ_0 until we reach an AdS boundary on each side. Then our solution (W, S) is complete.
- We then solve the equations for Φ, A .

$$R^{(\zeta)} e^{-2A(u)} = \frac{d}{4(d-1)}W^2(\Phi) - \frac{S(\Phi)^2}{2} + V(\Phi) \quad , \quad \dot{\Phi} = S$$

The QFT couplings

- At each boundary, **initial** or **final** the metric asymptotes to M_ζ and the only parameter (source) is its curvature, $R_{i,f}$.
- The scalar will also have sources at the two boundaries:

$$\Phi(u) \rightarrow \Phi_-^{(i)} \quad , \quad u \rightarrow -\infty,$$

$$\Phi(u) \rightarrow \Phi_-^{(f)} \quad , \quad u \rightarrow +\infty,$$

- Therefore, we have four dimensionful couplings: $R_{i,f}, \Phi_-^{(i,f)}$.
- As the overall scale is irrelevant, the pair of theories is characterized by three dimensionless numbers which we take to be:

$$\mathcal{R}_i = \frac{R_i^{UV}}{\left(\Phi_-^{(i)}\right)^{2/\Delta_-^i}}, \quad \mathcal{R}_f = \frac{R_f^{UV}}{\left(\Phi_-^{(f)}\right)^{2/\Delta_-^f}}, \quad \xi = \frac{\left(\Phi_-^{(i)}\right)^{1/\Delta_-^i}}{\left(\Phi_-^{(f)}\right)^{1/\Delta_-^f}}$$

Three parameter solutions

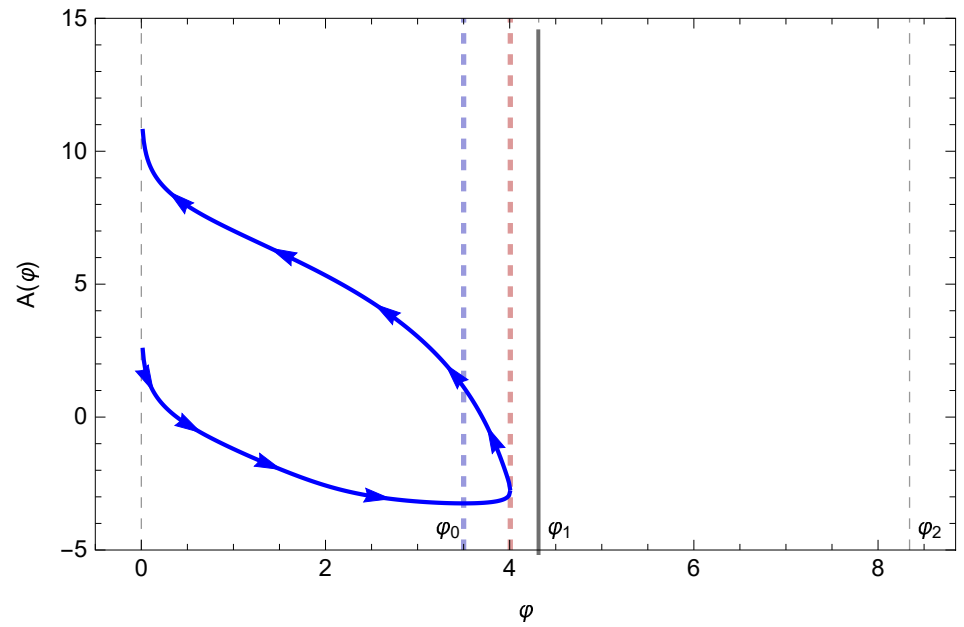
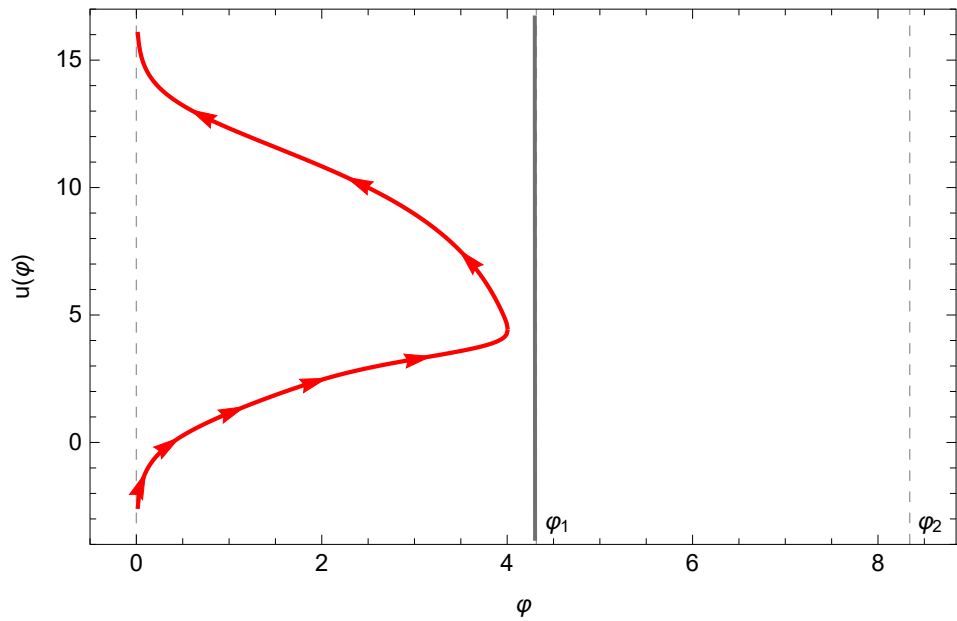
- So far our ansatz missed one dimensionless parameter
- To recover it we modify it to:

$$A = \begin{cases} \bar{A}(u) & u < u_* \\ \bar{A}(\tilde{u} - \delta) & u_* + \delta < \tilde{u} < +\infty \end{cases},$$
$$\Phi = \begin{cases} \bar{\Phi}(u) & u < u_* \\ \bar{\Phi}(\tilde{u} - \delta) & u_* + \delta < \tilde{u} < +\infty \end{cases},$$

- This satisfies the Israel conditions at $u = u_*$ and A, Φ and their derivatives are **continuous**.

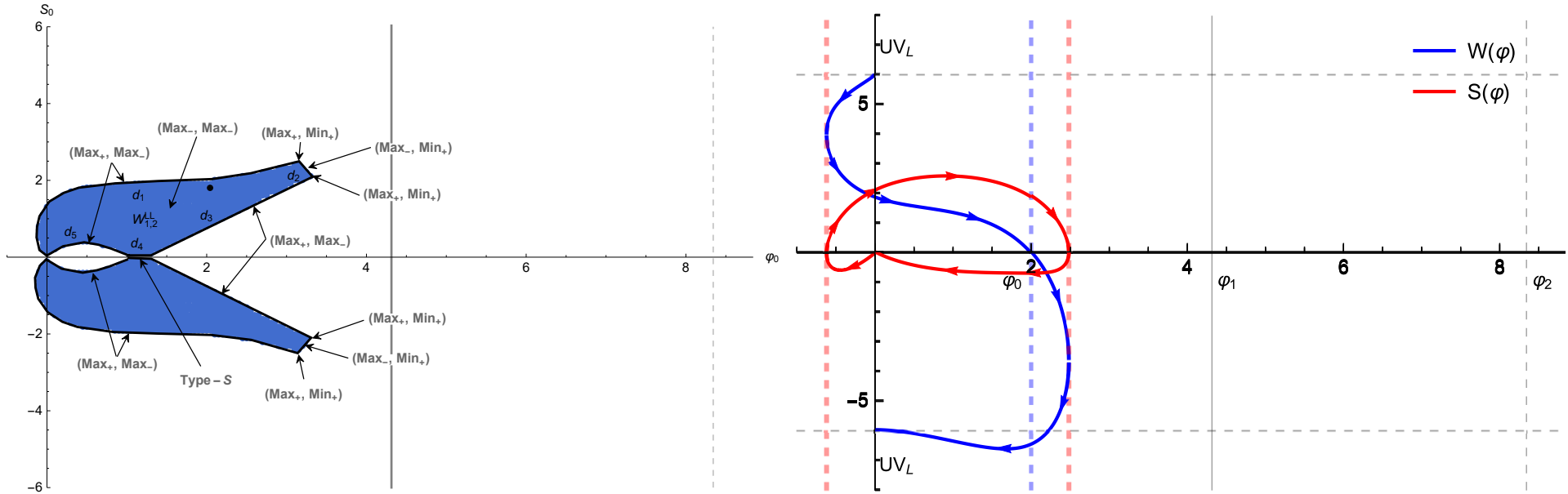
$$R_i^{UV} = \bar{R}_i^{UV}, \quad \Phi_-^i = \bar{\Phi}_-^i, \quad R_f^{UV} = e^{2\delta/\ell} \bar{R}_f^{UV}, \quad \Phi_-^f = e^{\delta\Delta_-^f/\ell} \bar{\Phi}_-^f$$

$$W_{1,1}^{LL}$$

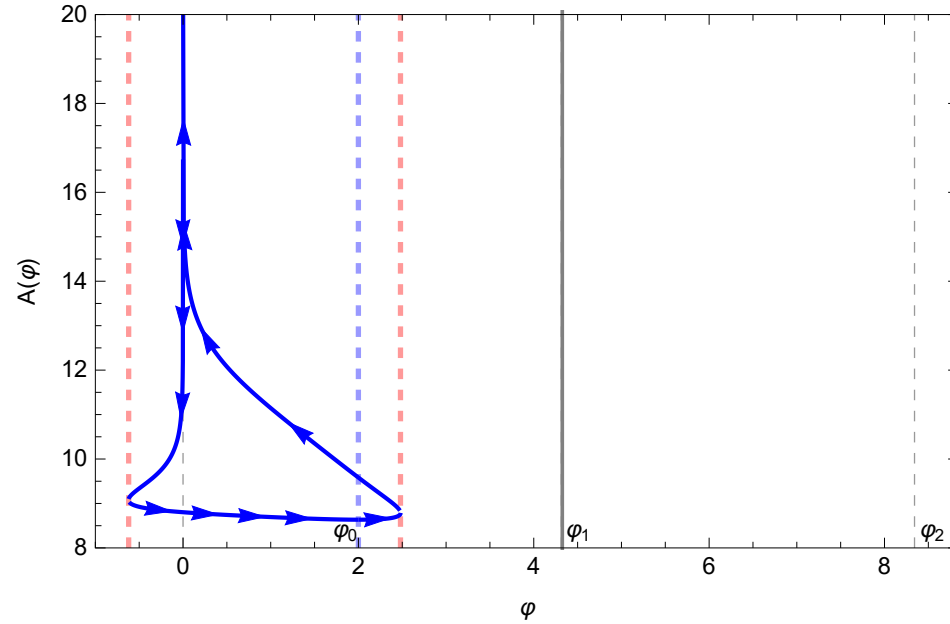
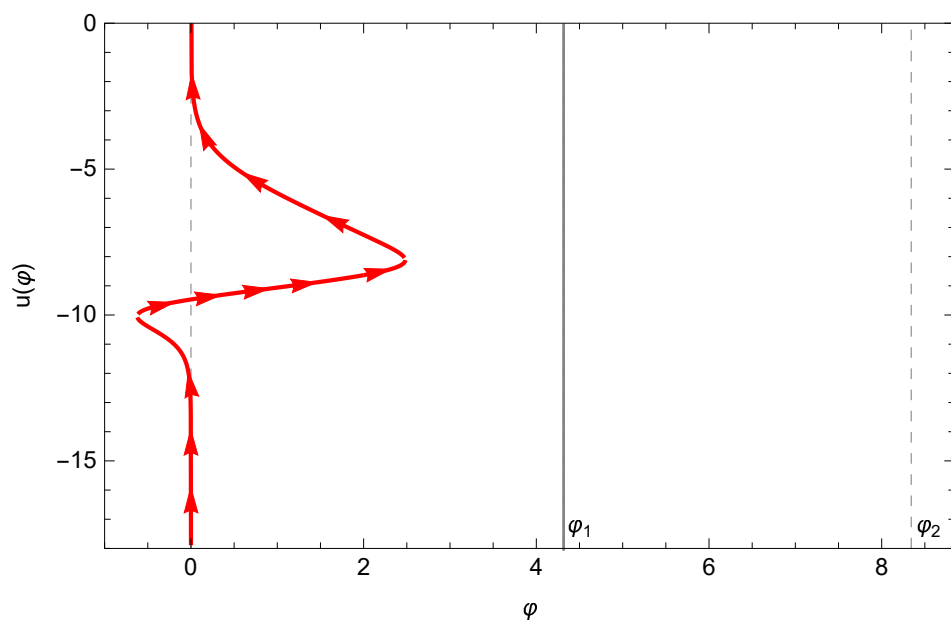


- (a): The holographic coordinate at top UV_L tends to $-\infty$ and at bottom UV_L to $+\infty$.
- (b): The scale factor has an A-bounce at $\Phi_0 = 3.5$ (blue dashed line) and a Φ -bounce at $\Phi = 4.0$ (red dashed line).

$W_{1,2}^{LL}$

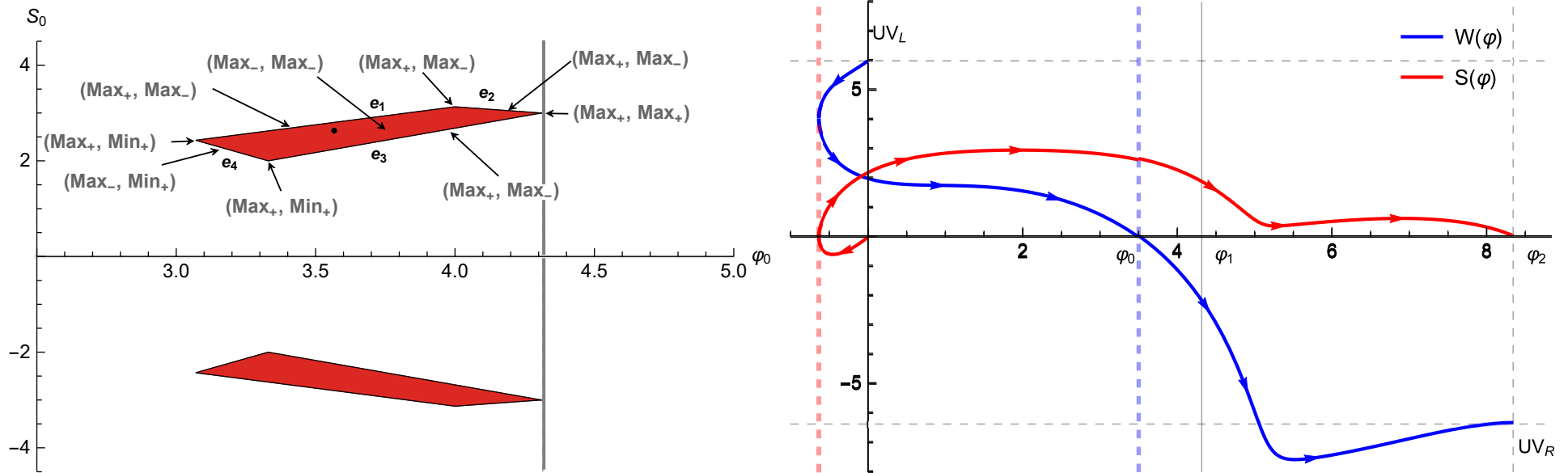


(a): The space of the $W_{1,2}^{LL}$ solutions is the upper blue region. The black dot represents the specific solutions of the diagram (b). The lower blue region corresponds to the solutions with an extra Φ -bounce near the bottom UV_L . (b): The blue and red curves for W, S , describe an RG flow that connects the UV_L fixed point to itself but after two Φ -bounces. The location of the Φ -bounces are indicated by red dashed lines.

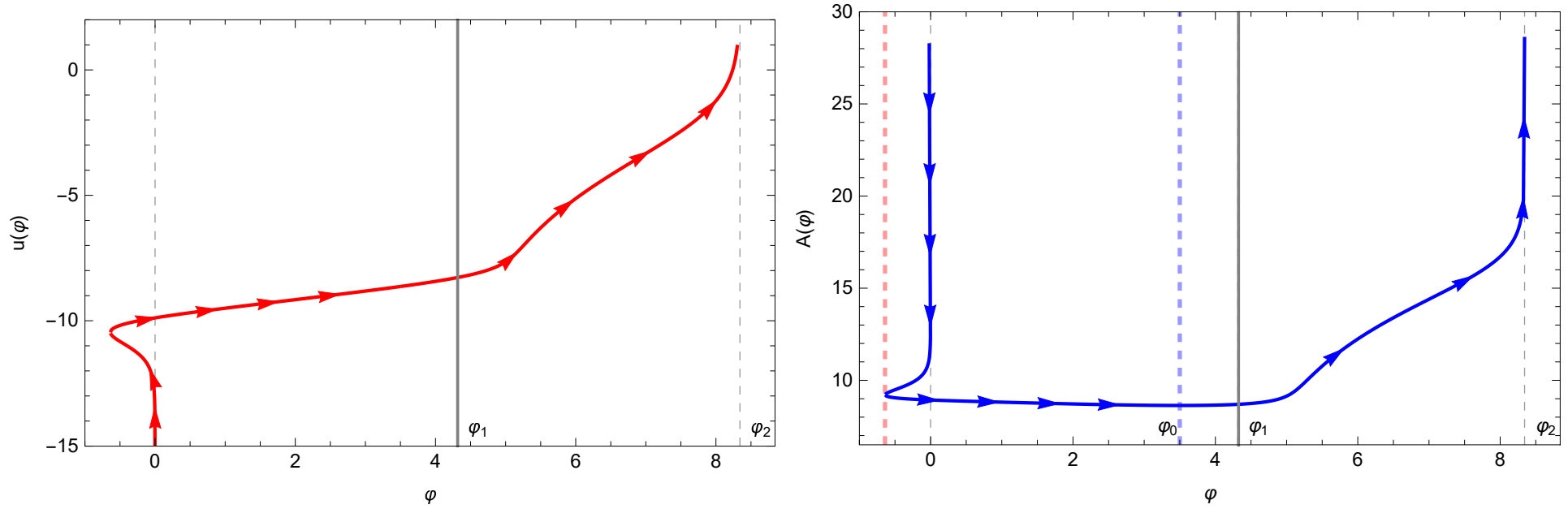


(a): The holographic coordinate at top UV_L boundary tends to $-\infty$ and for bottom UV_L to $+\infty$. (b): The scale factor has an A-bounce at $\Phi = 2.0$, the blue dashed line. The first Φ -bounce on the left occurs at $\Phi = -0.62$ and the second one at $\Phi = 2.48$, the red dashed lines.

$W_{1,1}^{LR}$

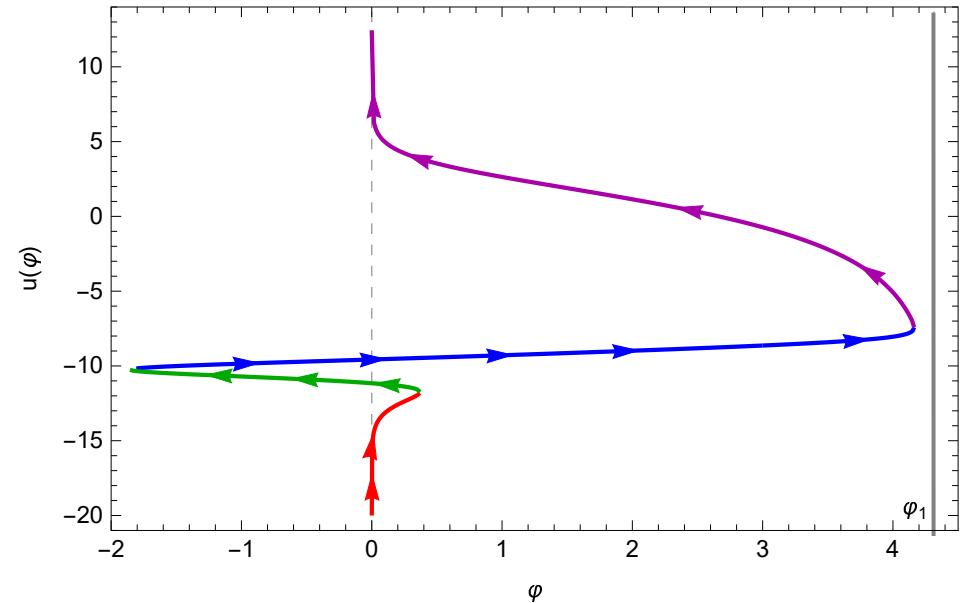
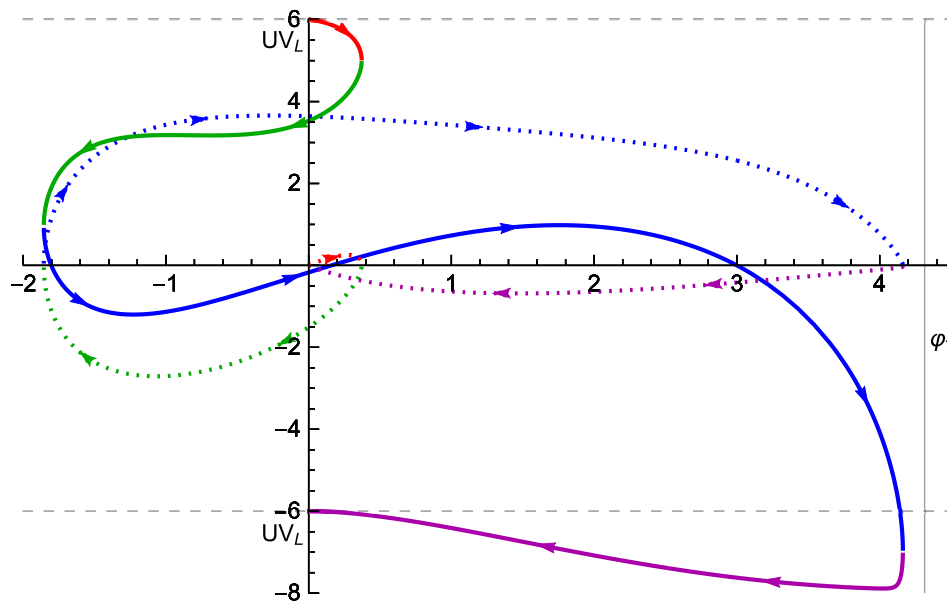


(a): A zoomed picture of the space of the $W_{1,1}^{LR}$ solutions. The black dot represents the RG flow in the diagram (b). (b): The RG flows of type $W_{1,1}^{LR}$ are between the UV_L boundary and UV_R . There is a Φ -bounce at $\Phi < 0$, the red dashed line. Notice that the red region at $S_0 < 0$ in figure (a) is the space of solutions with an extra Φ -bounce near UV_L but at $W < 0$.

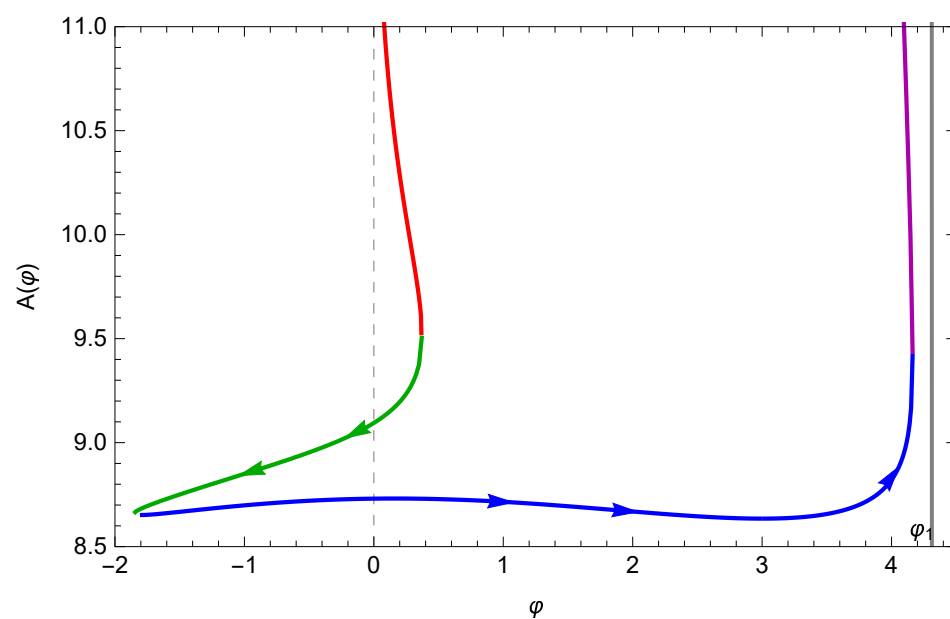
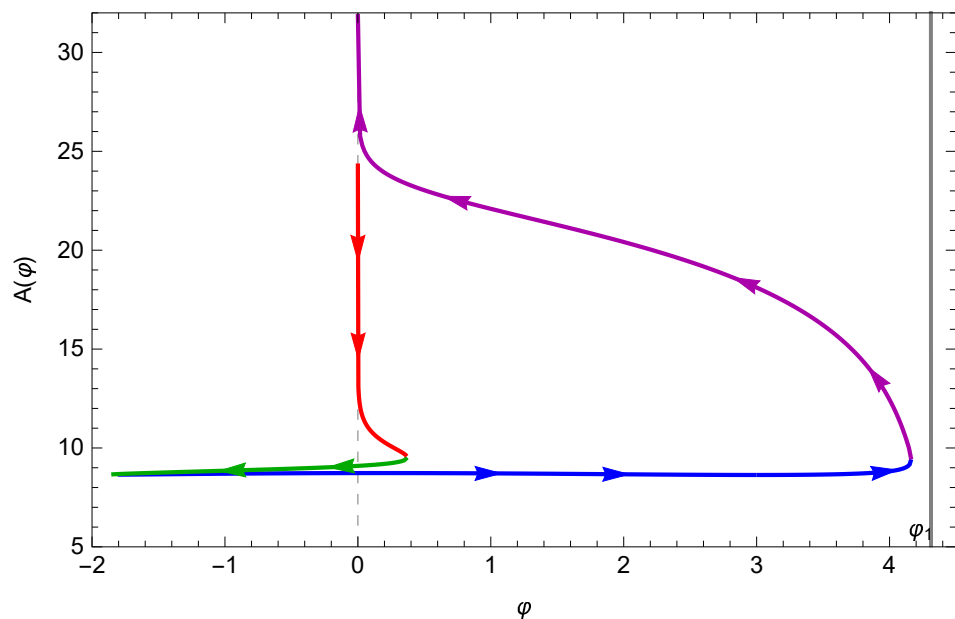


(a): The holographic coordinate at UV_L boundary tends to $-\infty$ and at UV_R to $+\infty$. (b): The scale factor has an A-bounce at $\Phi_0 = 3.5$, the blue dashed line. A Φ -bounce occurs at $\Phi = -0.64$, the red dashed line.

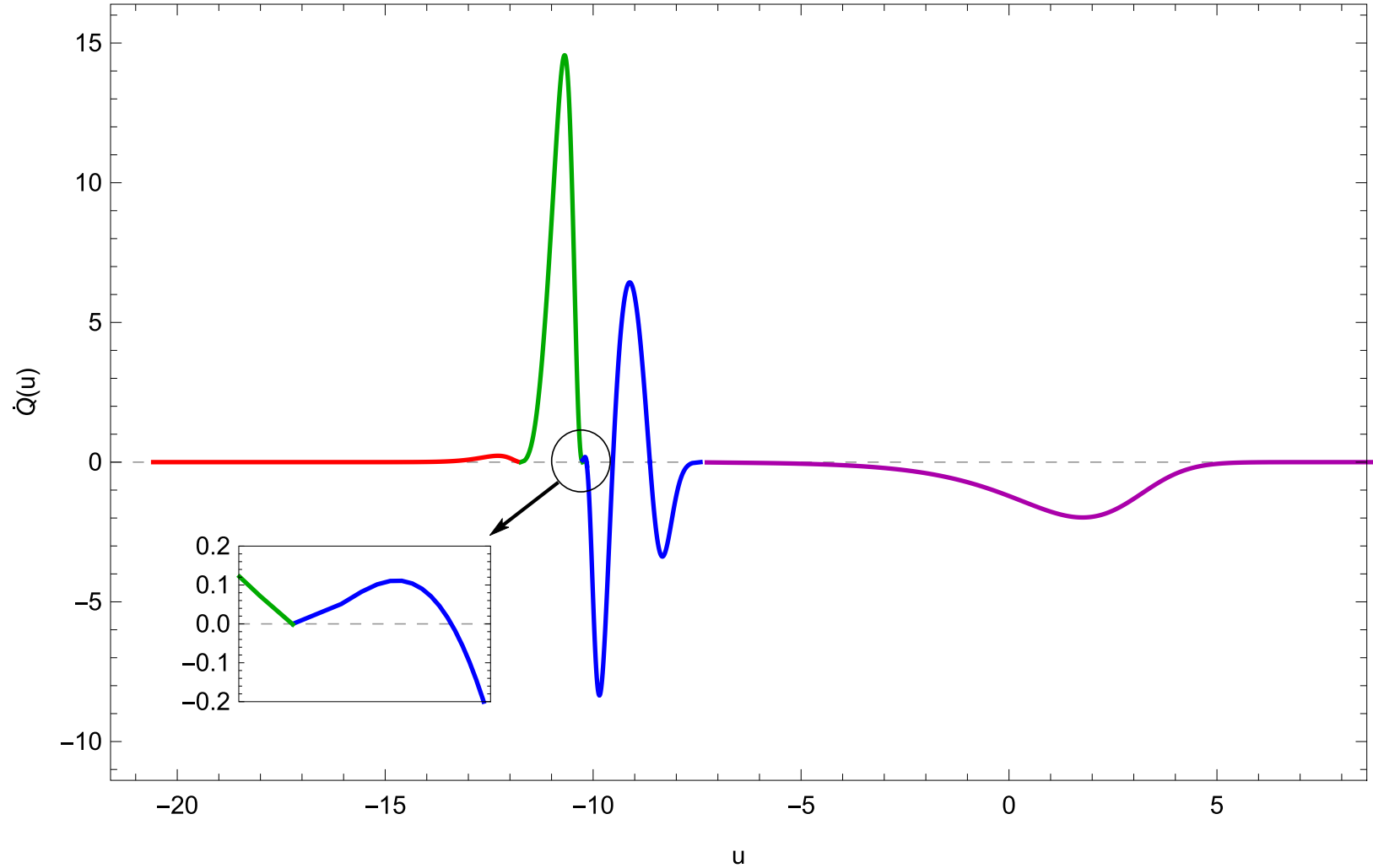
A (3,3) (A-bounce, Φ -bounce) solution



(a): An example of a multi- Φ -bounce solution, $W_{3,3}^{LL}$. The solid line is $W(\Phi)$ and dotted line is $S(\Phi)$. In this case an RG flow connects two UV boundaries on the left UV fixed point after three Φ -bounces. Unlike the previous cases the geometry here has three A-bounces.



(b) and (c) show the behavior of holographic coordinate and scale factor in terms of Φ . Figure (d) is the magnification of the bottom of figure (c). It shows that there are three A-bounces for this RG flow.

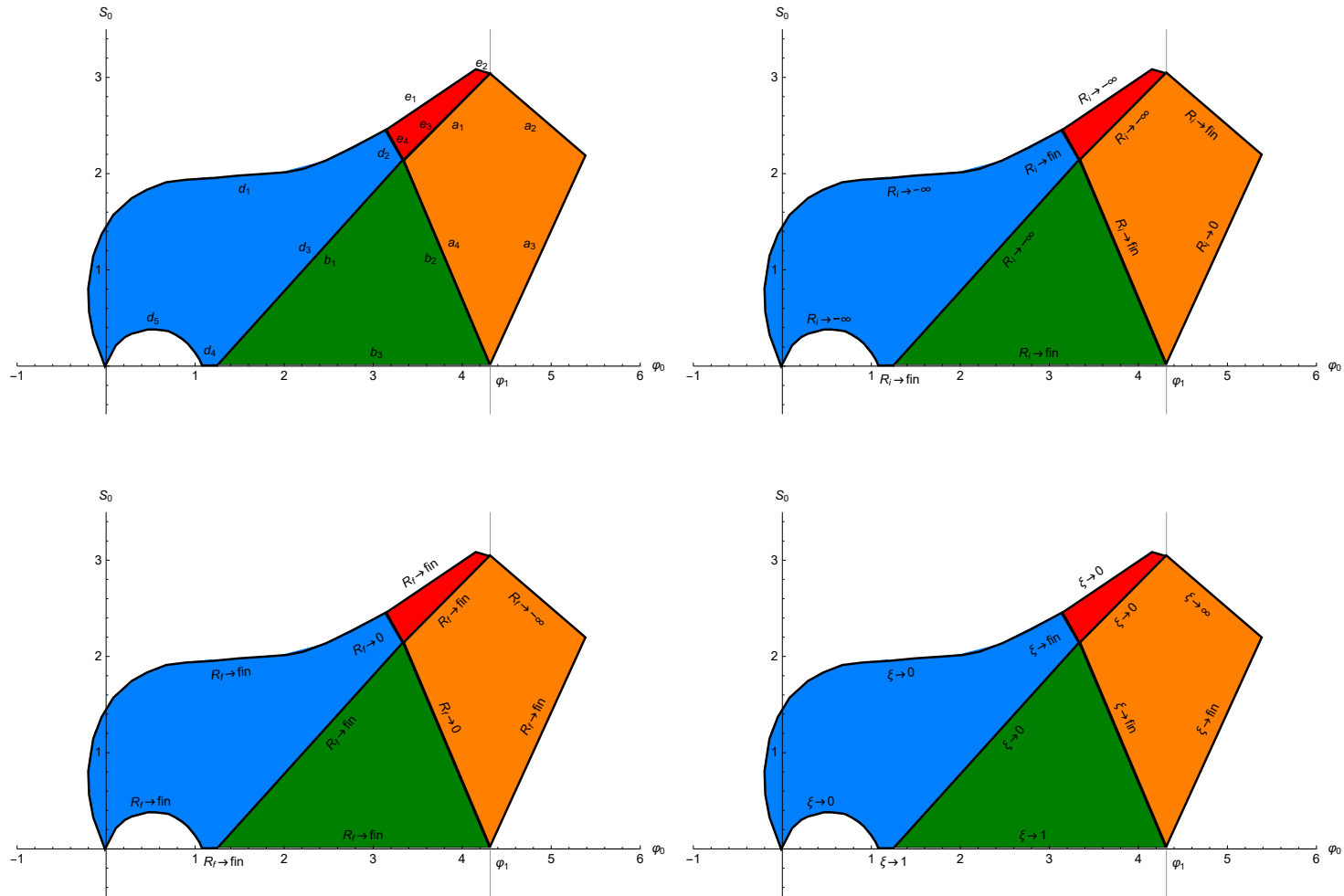


(e): The roots of \dot{Q}

$$Q(u) = \frac{1}{2}\dot{\Phi}^2 - V \geq 0, \quad \dot{Q} = \frac{d}{2(d-1)}WS^2.$$

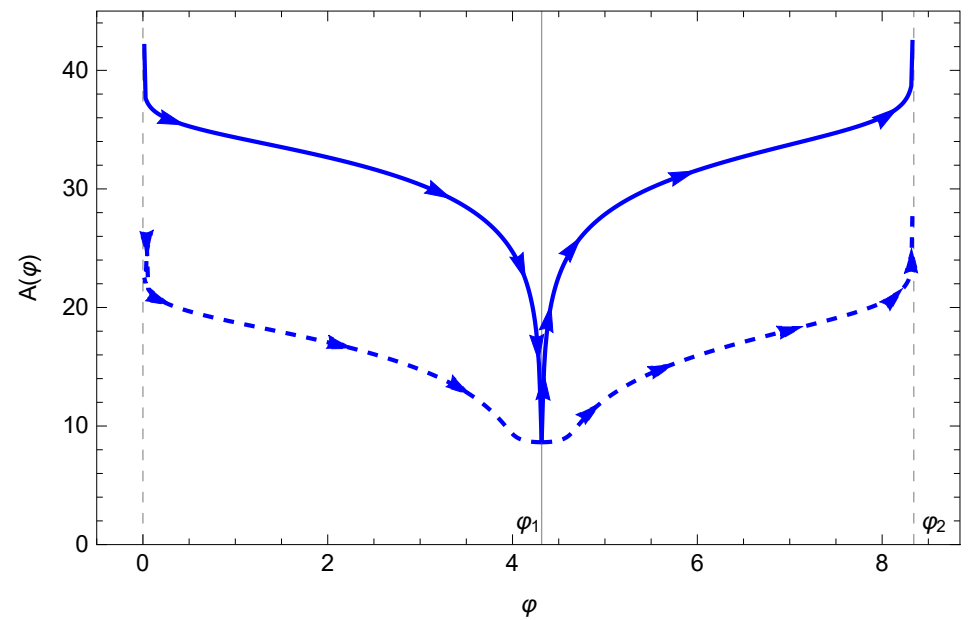
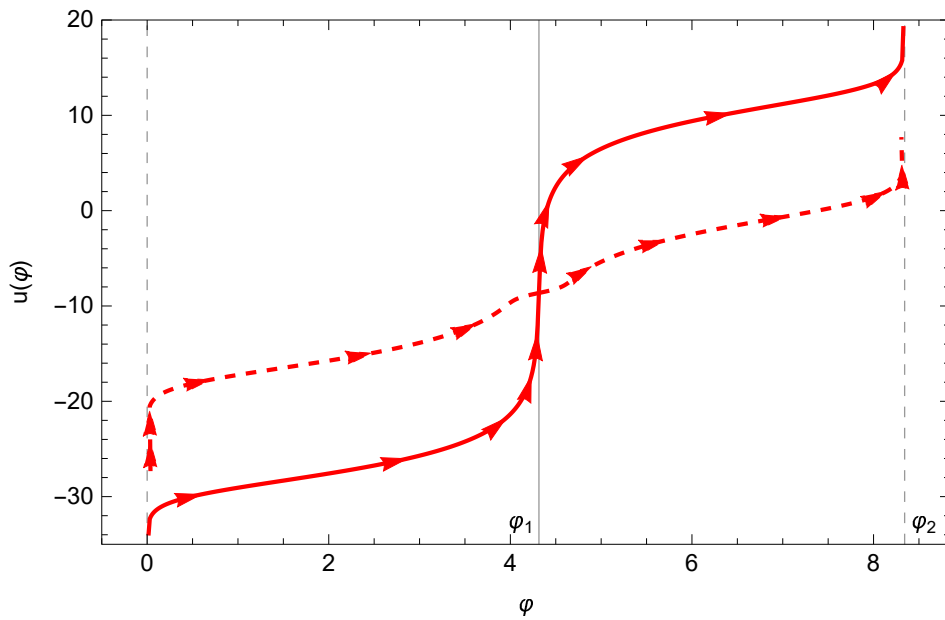
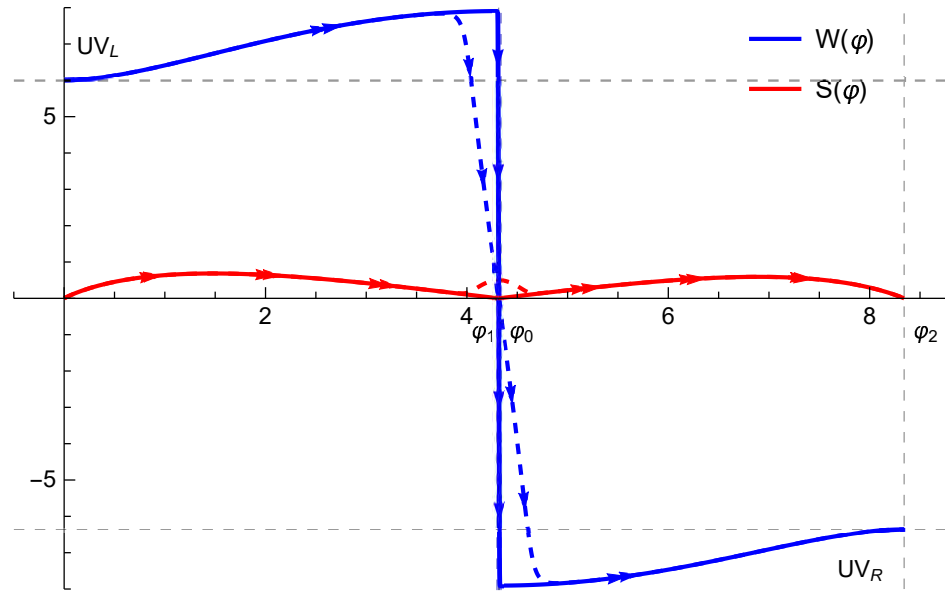
shows the location of Φ -bounces where the color of the graph is changed and location of A-bounces where the blue part of the curve crosses the u axis.

The behavior of relevant couplings



(a) Space of solution with its boundaries. (b) and (c): The behavior of \mathcal{R}_i and \mathcal{R}_f at boundaries. (d): The ratio of two relevant couplings, ξ , at boundaries.

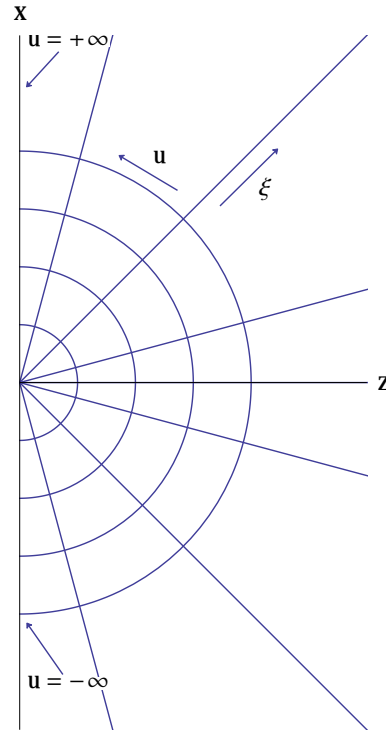
The $a_3 \cup a_4$ solution: triple fragmentation



Along the fixed line $\Phi_0 = \Phi_1$ i.e. the minimum of the potential, if we decrease the value of S_0 down to zero, gradually the dashed curves in all figures above move toward the solid curves. In above curves the dashed curves have $S_0 = 0.5$ and the solid ones $S_0 = 0.01$.

Interface correlators

- The picture of overlapping boundaries in AdS-sliced flows is "singular".

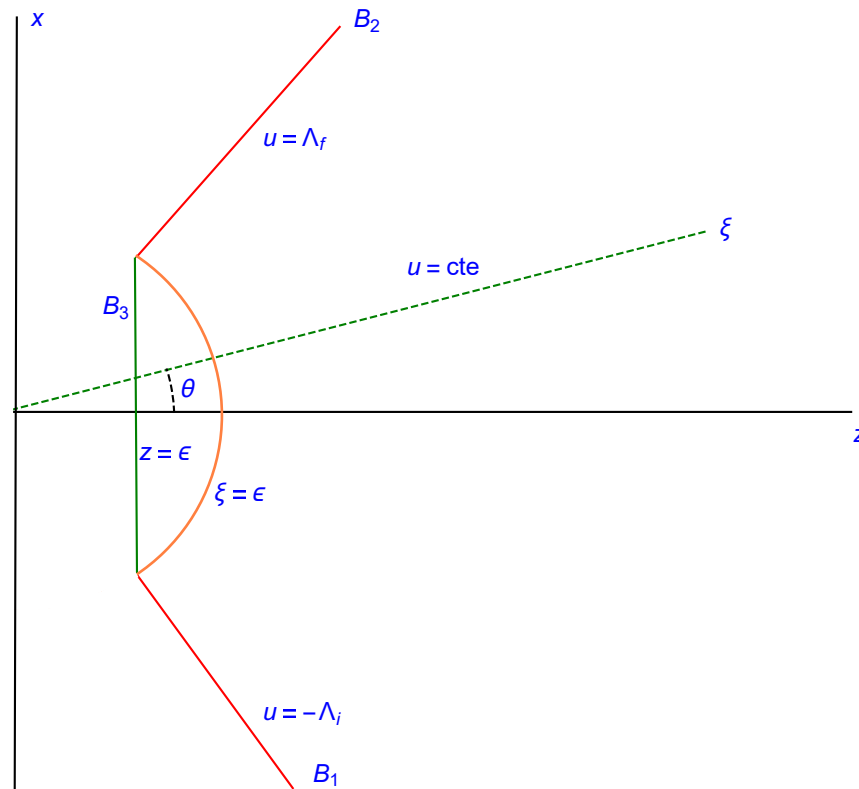


Relation between Poincaré coordinates (x, z) and AdS-slicing coordinates (ξ, u) . Constant u curves are half straight lines all ending at the origin ($\xi \rightarrow 0^-$); Constant ξ curves are semicircle joining the two halves of the boundary at $u = \pm\infty$.

• The regular picture contains three boundaries:

♠ Two of them ($B_{1,2}$) are at $u = \pm\infty$.

♠ There is a third boundary, B_3 , for all values of u that contains the boundaries of AdS slices.



- For a well-defined variational problem apart from the GH term on $B_{1,2,3}$ one needs to add **the Hayward term** at the two corners, $B_1 \cup B_3$ and $B_2 \cup B_3$.

$$S_H = \frac{1}{8\pi G_N} \int d^{d-1}x \sqrt{-h} \arccos(n \cdot \tilde{n})$$

- Correlators of insertions at the $B_{1,2}$ boundaries are done the same way as in standard AdS.
- Calculating correlators on the interface is **problematic**.
- We could not find a universal form of counterterms on a shifted boundary that removes all divergences from interface correlators.
- This is **an open problem**.

Details of the confining potential

We consider the following scalar potential

$$V(\Phi) = -\frac{d(d-1)}{\ell^2} \left(b\Phi^2 + \cosh^2(a\Phi) \right) , \quad b = \frac{\Delta(d-\Delta)}{2d(d-1)} - a^2 . \quad (3)$$

As $\Phi \rightarrow \pm\infty$, the above potential diverges as

$$V(\Phi) \rightarrow -\frac{d(d-1)}{4\ell^2} e^{\pm 2a\Phi} , \quad (4)$$

where we assumed that $a < a_G$, the Gubser's bound.

This potential has a maximum at $\Phi = 0$ (UV fixed point) and near this point, it can be expanded as

$$V(\Phi) = -\frac{d(d-1)}{\ell^2} - \frac{1}{2}m^2\Phi^2 + \mathcal{O}(\Phi^4) , \quad m^2 = \frac{\Delta(d-\Delta)}{\ell^2} . \quad (5)$$

ℓ determines the length scale of asymptotically AdS solutions, Δ determines m^2 and is the scaling dimension of the operator dual to the scalar Φ near

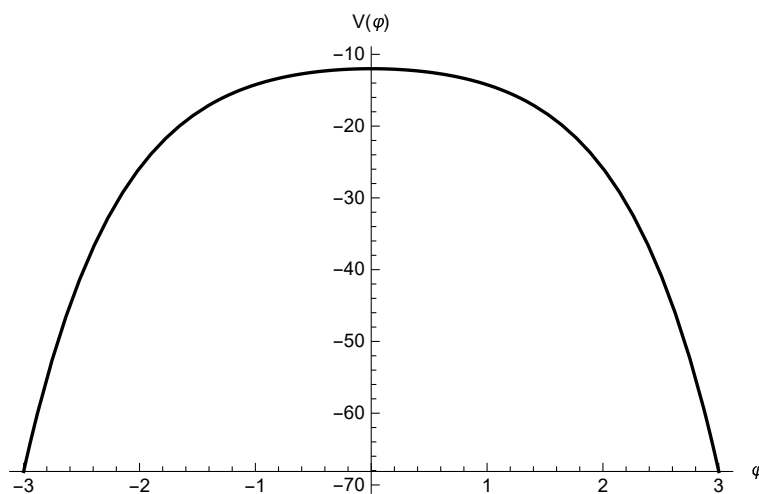
the UV fixed point. a determines the asymptotic behavior of the potential (confinement or deconfinement).

For the numerics we fix the constants of the theory as follows

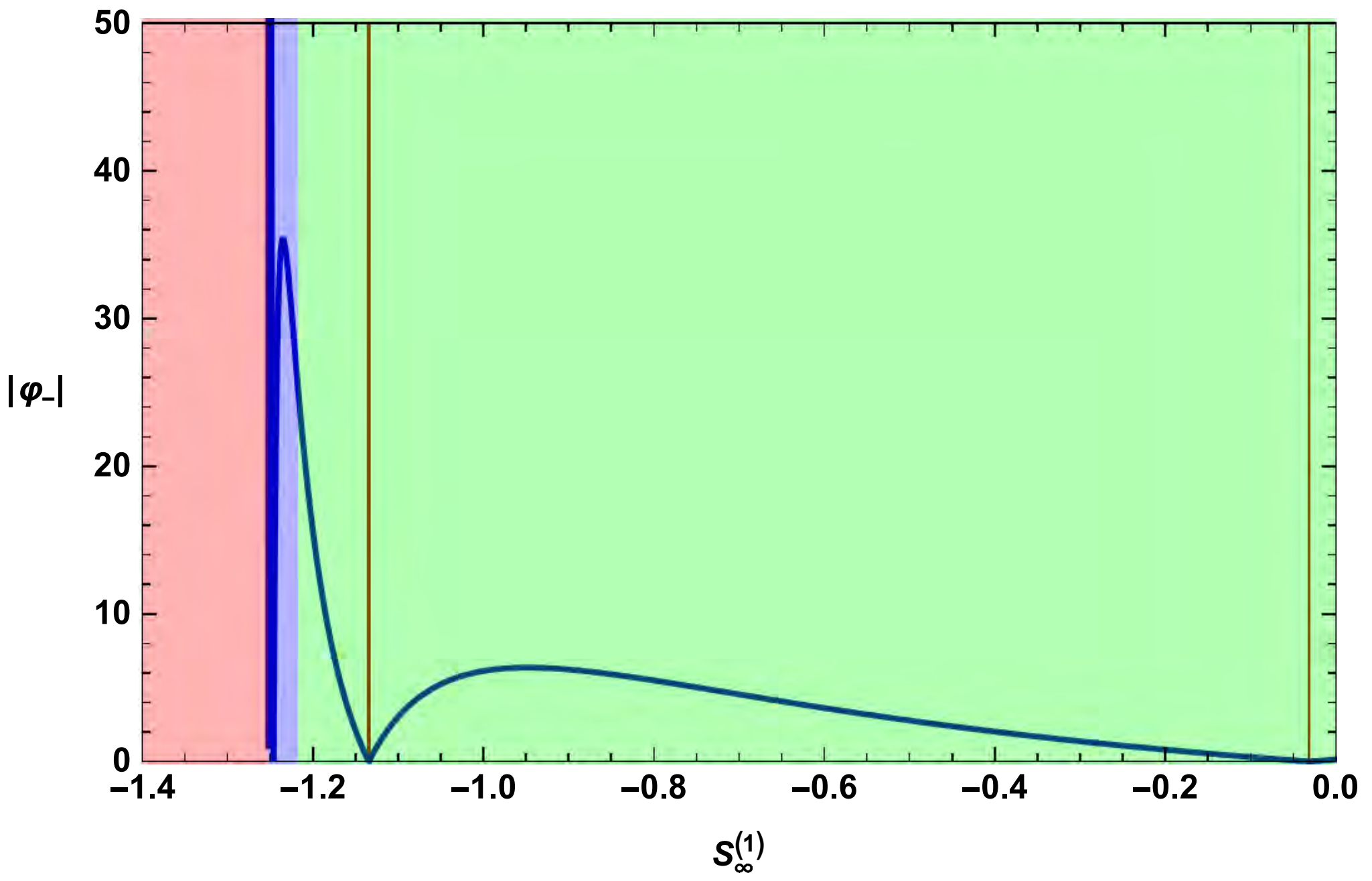
$$d = 4 \quad , \quad \Delta = \frac{3}{2} \quad , \quad \ell = 1 \quad , \quad a = \sqrt{\frac{7}{24}} \quad , \quad b = -\frac{13}{96} . \quad (6)$$

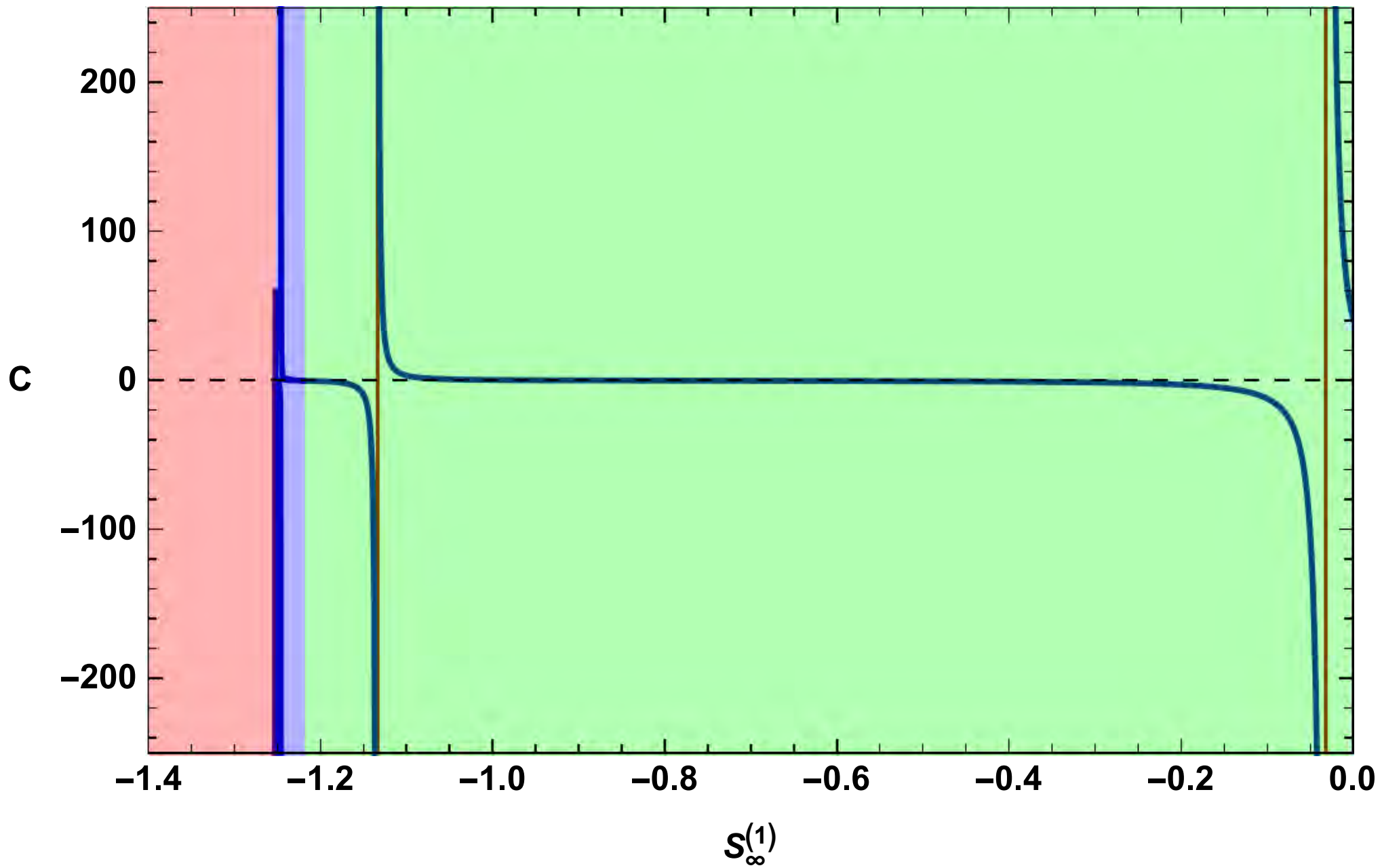
For the specific choice $d = 4$ we have

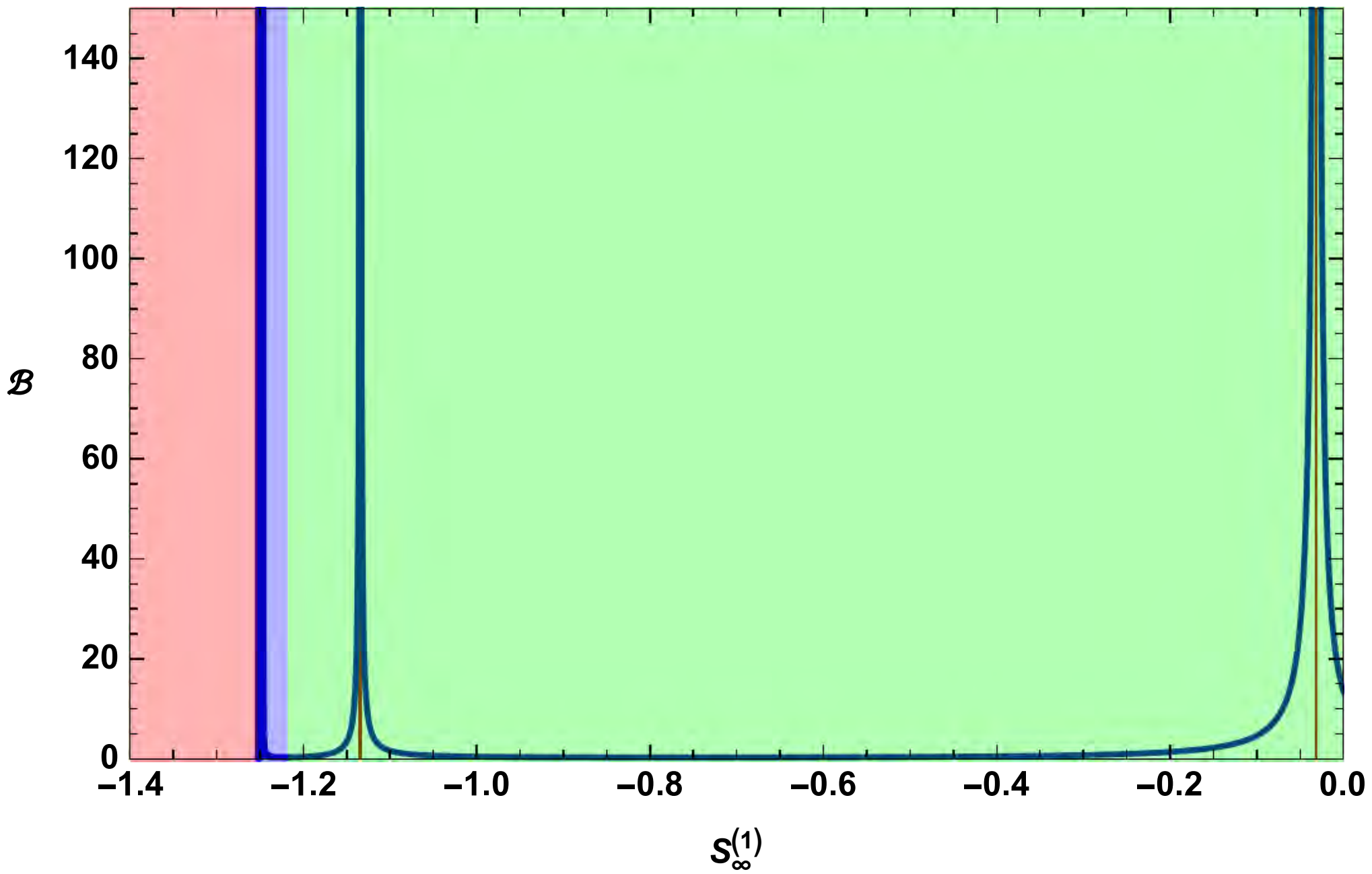
$$a_C = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \quad , \quad a_G = \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} , \quad (7)$$



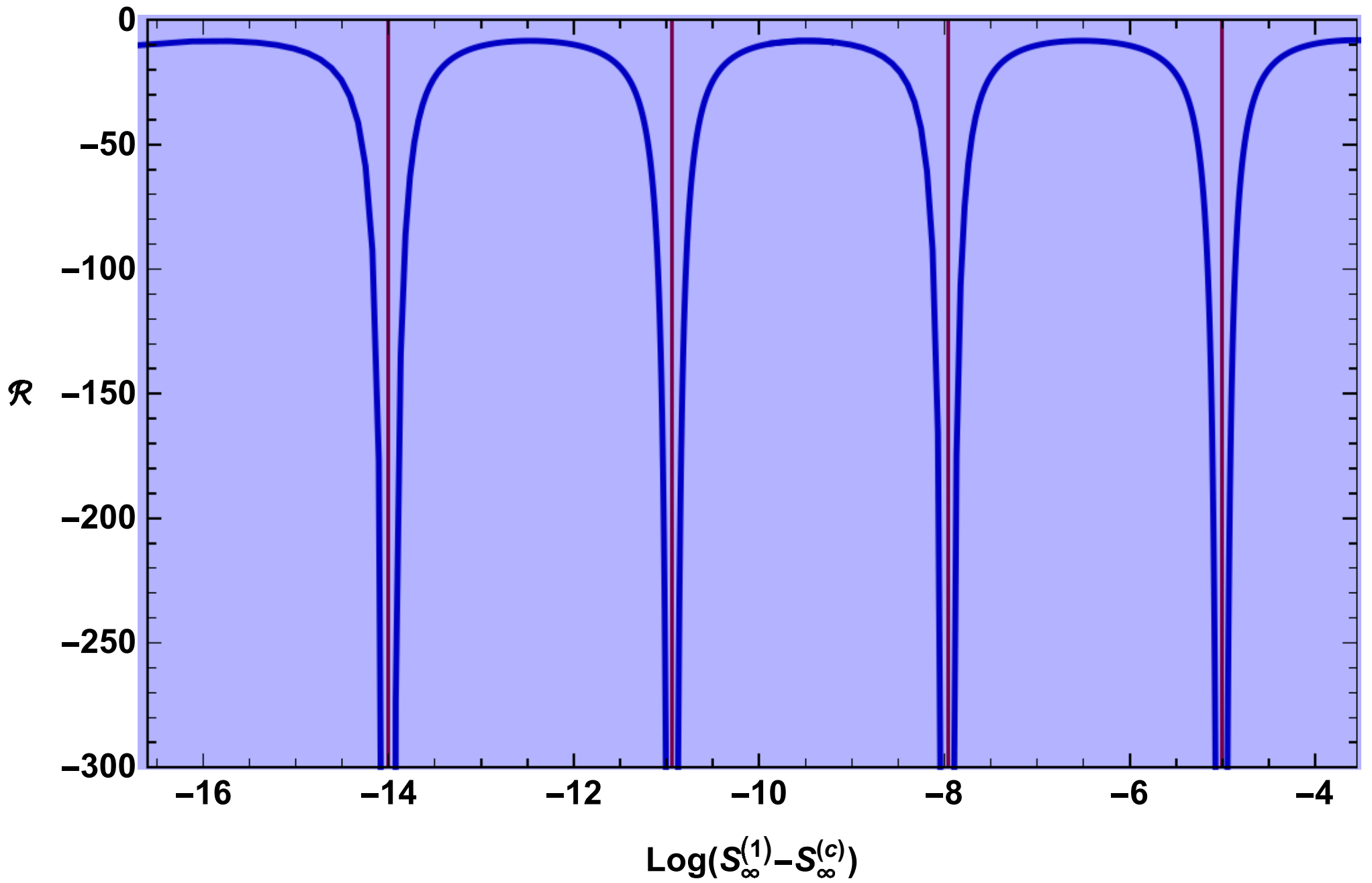
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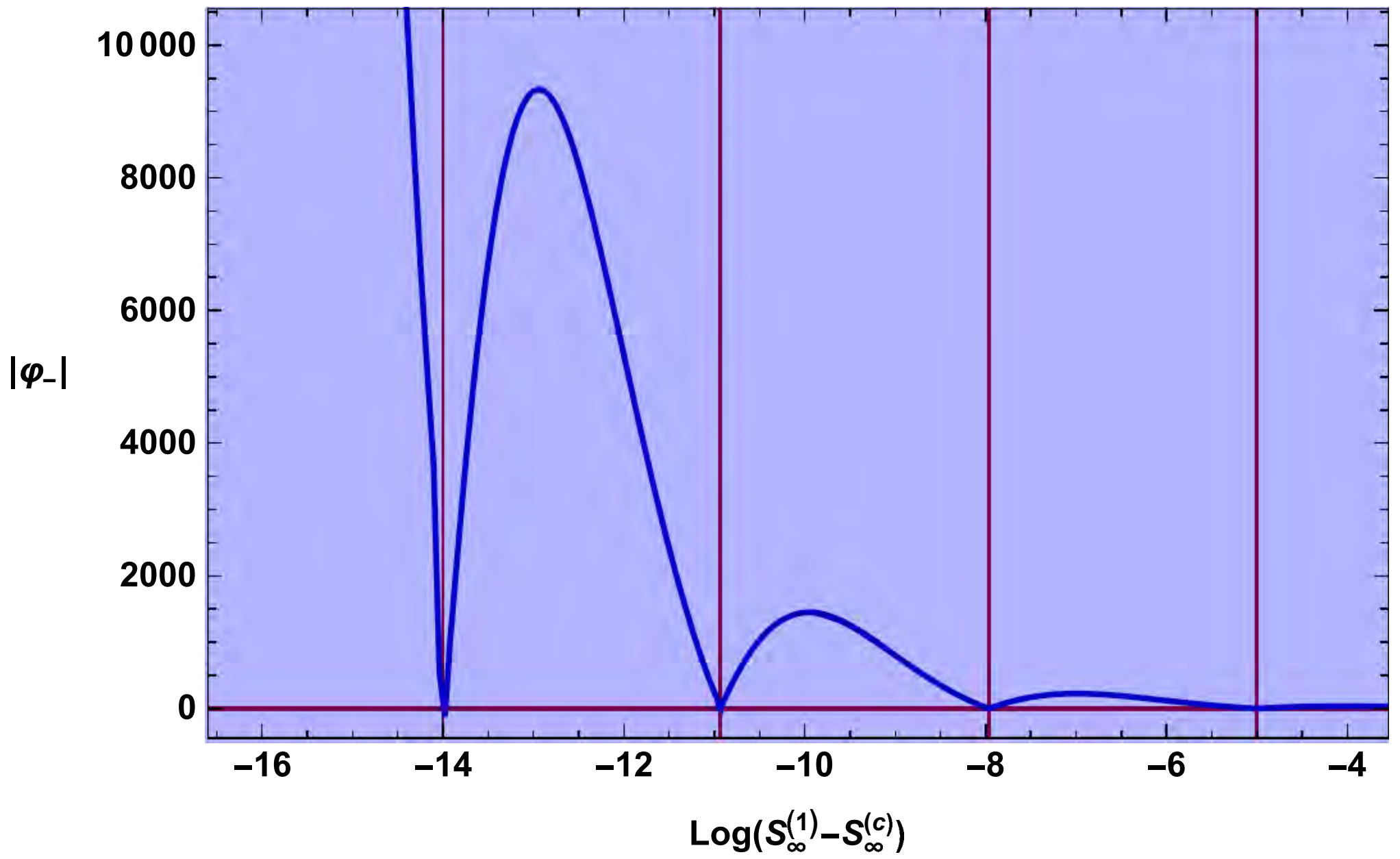


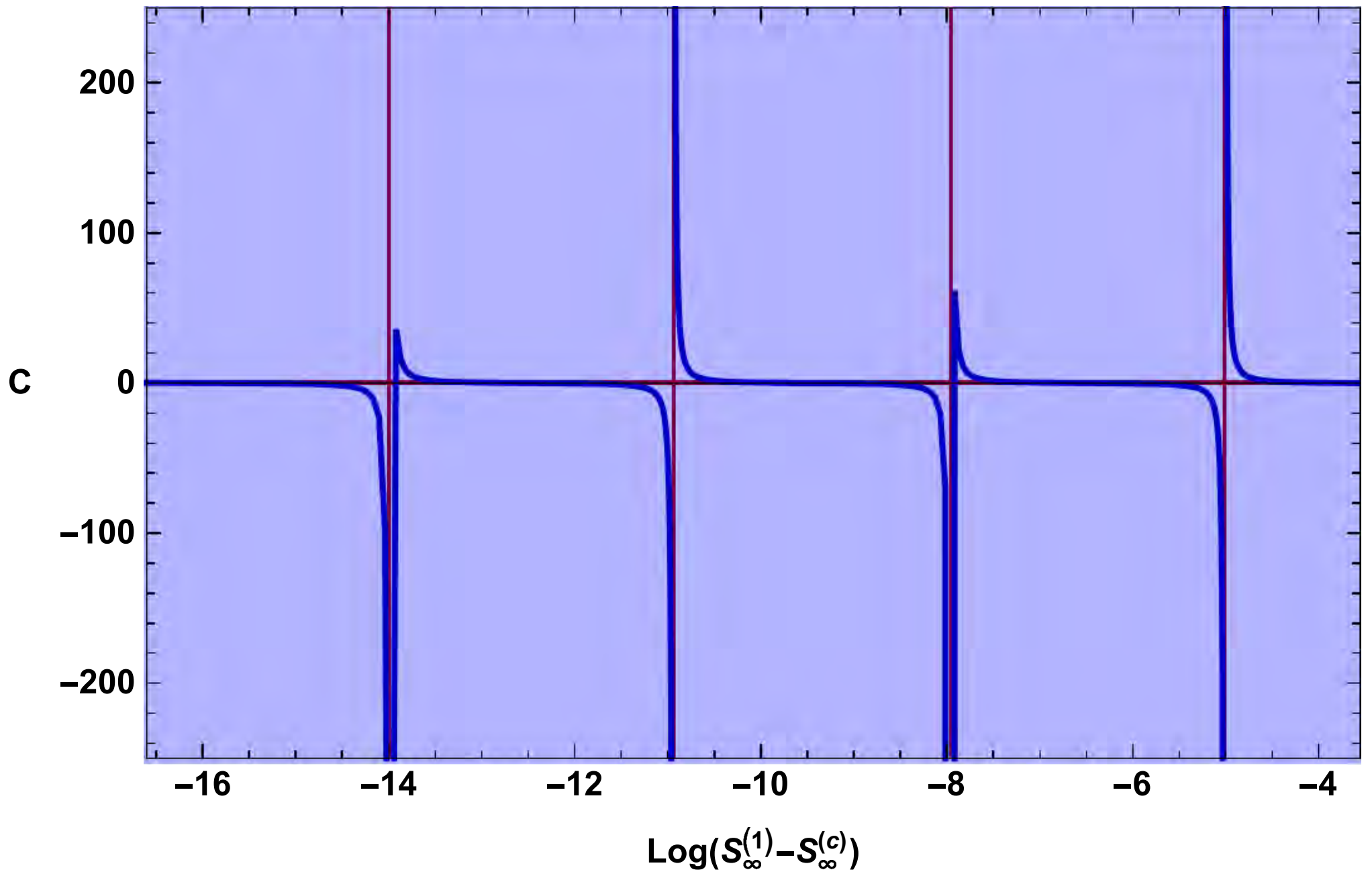


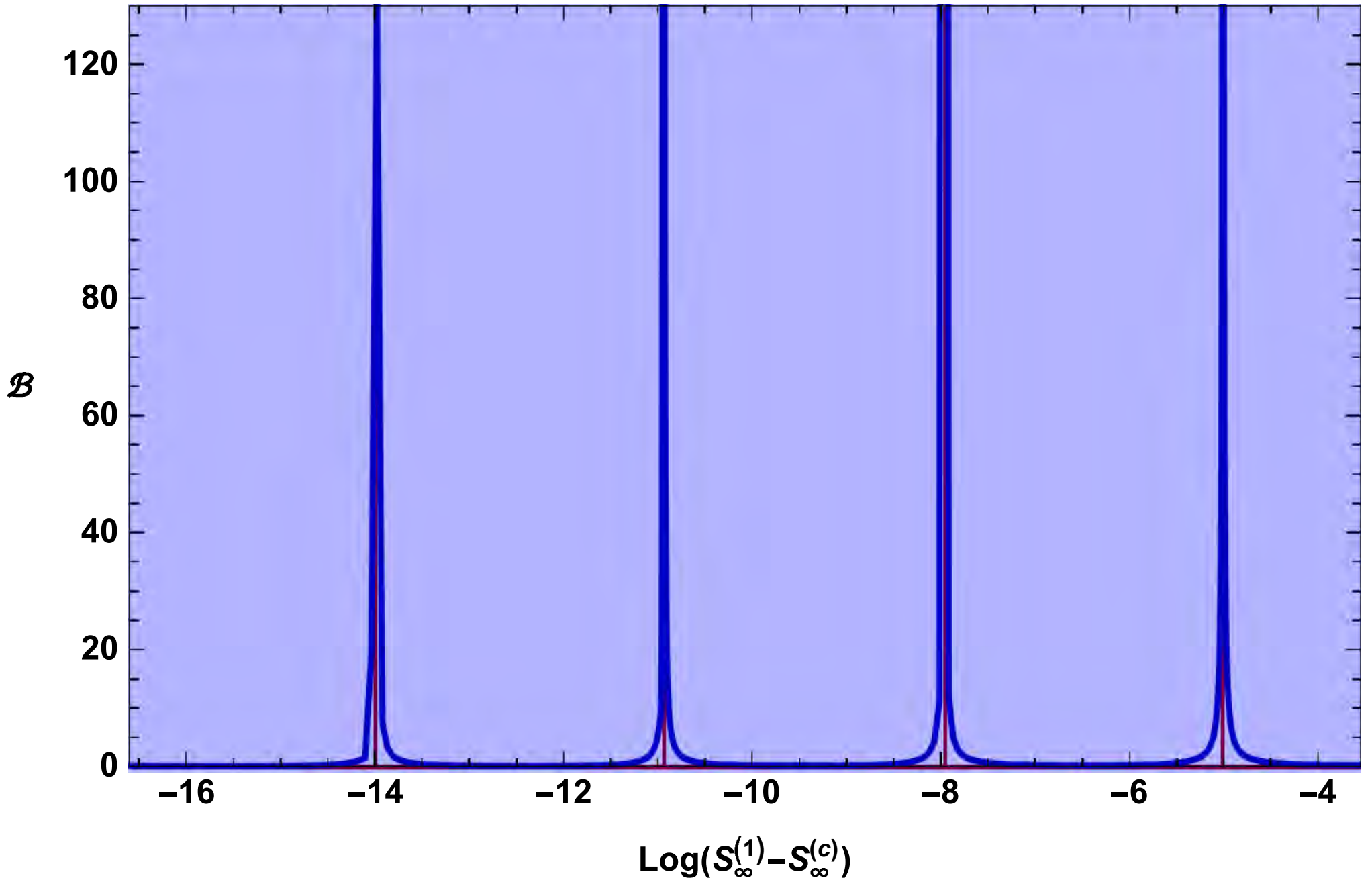


Φ_- the coupling of operator \mathcal{O} at the UV boundary and C parameter of the UV boundary for UV-Reg solutions. All figures are plotted as a function of the free parameter $S_\infty^{(1)}$. In each graph, the green region belongs to the regular solutions without A-bounce and the blue region to solutions with at least one A-bounce. In the red region, we have not solutions with boundary. The vertical dashed line in figure (a) corresponds to the global AdS solution in the uplifted theory and the product solution is the solution right before the blue-red boundary. Figure (d) gives \mathfrak{B} which we need to compute the free energy of the solutions.









The blue region . The horizontal axis is $\log(S_\infty^{(1)} - S_\infty^{(c)})$, where $S_\infty^{(c)} \approx -1.25$

is the critical value for which we have the UV-Reg solution with infinite numbers of the loops.

Single boundary solutions

- To obtain a single boundary, one can orbifold a symmetric solution.
Aharony+Marolf+Rangamani
- This can be done in the class of solutions we called S . They have $S_0 = 0$ and they are completely symmetric.
- We obtain the half space with $u \in (-\infty, u_0)$.
- We can interpret such solutions by inserting an end-of-the-world brane at u_0 .
- But because $\dot{A} = \dot{\Phi} = 0$ at u_0 , this brane is both tensionless and charginess.
- However, a look at correlators indicates that conformal invariance is broken (For AdS-sliced AdS).
- In the two boundary case, we have four possible two-point functions $\langle OO \rangle$:
 $G_{++}, G_{+-}, G_{-+}, G_{--}$

- The symmetric orbifold gives

$$G = G_{++} + G_{+-} = \frac{1}{2\Delta} \left[\frac{1}{(\cosh L - 1)^\Delta} + \frac{1}{(\cosh L + 1)^\Delta} \right]$$

$$\cosh L = 1 + \frac{(z - z')^2 + |x - x'|^2}{zz'}$$

- The conformal correlator obtained from a Weyl transformation of flat space is the first piece only.
- This may be due to the fact that most boundary conditions break conformal invariance.
- If instead we insert a brane at $u = u_0$ and impose Dirichlet bc we obtain a similar result with a relative minus sign. (The orbifold corresponds to Neumann)
- Are there bc on the brane so that we obtain a conformal correlator?
- Yes, but they are generically non-local on the brane.

Proximity in QFT

- The notion of “proximity” in Quantum Field Theory is an intuitive notion.
- One possible definition of the notion of proximity among CFTs is : can QFT_1 and QFT_2 live in the same Hilbert space?
- If there is flow connecting CFT_1 to CFT_2 we can claim that the two theories can live in the same Hilbert space.
- Another was formulated by van Raamsdonk: the CFT masquerade, mostly relevant for CFT duals.

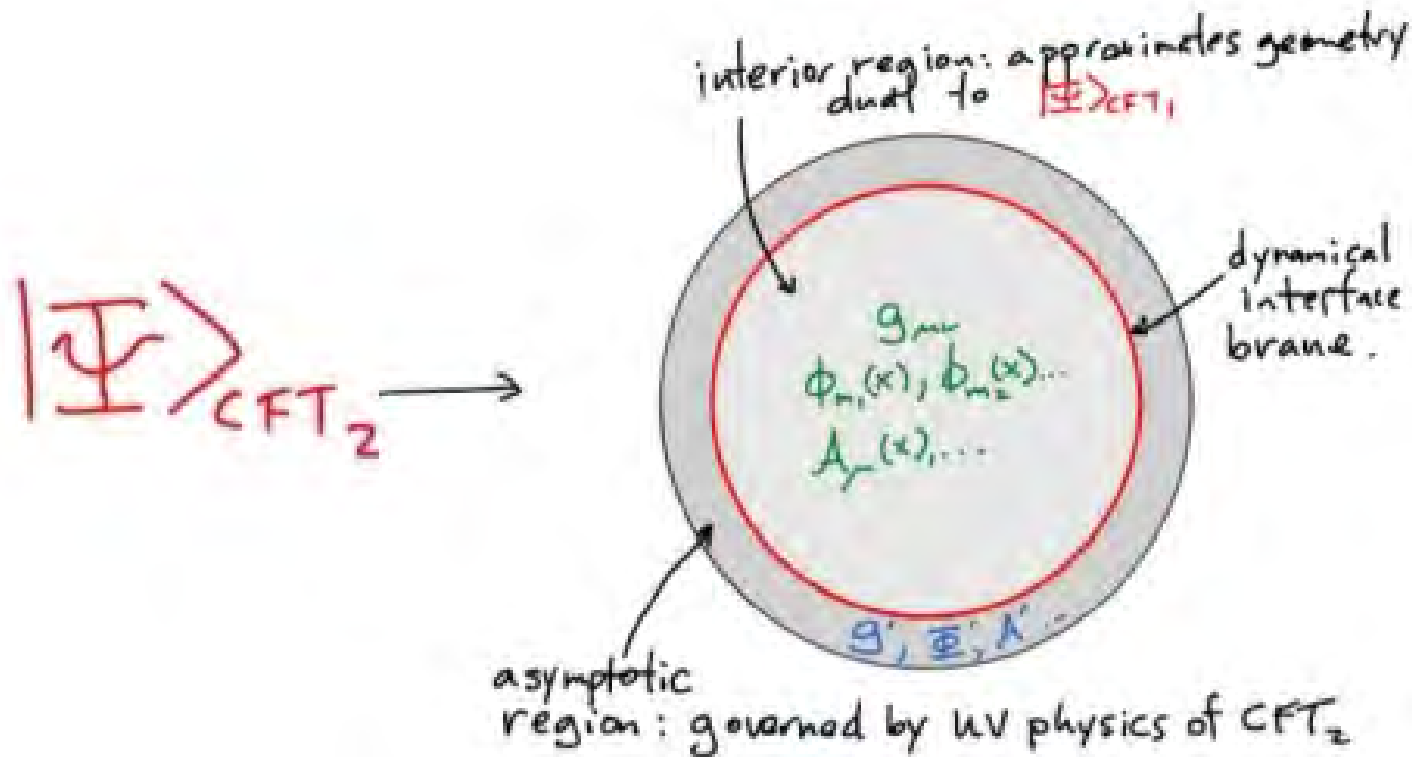
”When the states of CFT_1 can be approximated by CFT_2 ?”

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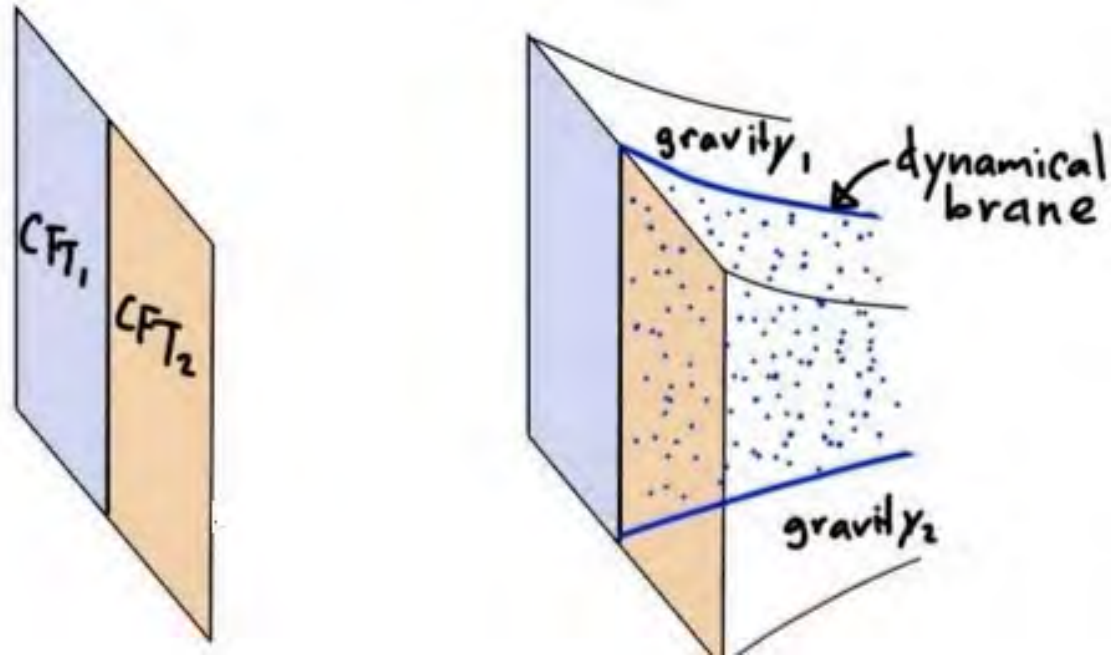
”Can a suitably chosen state of CFT_1 , faithfully encode the space-time dual to a state of CFT_2 ?”

or

"Can two theories with different operator spectra describe the same bulk geometry?"



- **Van Raamsdonk** gave simple solvable examples where the two CFTs are interfaced by a bulk brane.
- This notion is very close to the **RG connection**, as a continuous version of this setup is a holographic RG flow.



- Another example is theories that can share an interface.
- They may be generating a bulk brane or
- They may be like **Janus interface geometries**.

Takayanagi

Bak+Gutperle+Hirano, + many others

Asymptotics near potential extrema

- Regular solutions START AND END (generically) at extrema of the potential.
- Near a maximum of the potential, there are two branches of solutions known as the $-$ and the $+$ branch.

$$\ell W_{\pm} = 2(d-1) - \frac{\Delta_{\pm}}{2}(\phi - \phi_0)^2 + \dots$$

- ♠ The $-$ branch contains the generic solutions that contain both source and vev.
- ♠ The $+$ branch contains only the special solution for which the source vanishes (relevant vev-driven flow).
- For both types of solutions above, the metric has an AdS boundary at the maximum.
- We denote these asymptotics as Max_{\pm} .

- Near a minimum of the potential we also have the $+$ and $-$ branches of solutions.

- ♠ The $-$ branch contains the generic solution.

- It does not exist for non-zero slice curvature. It exists only for flat slices and in that case it describes the IR-end of an RG flow.

- ♠ The $+$ branch contains the special solution. The bulk metric has an AdS BOUNDARY in this case

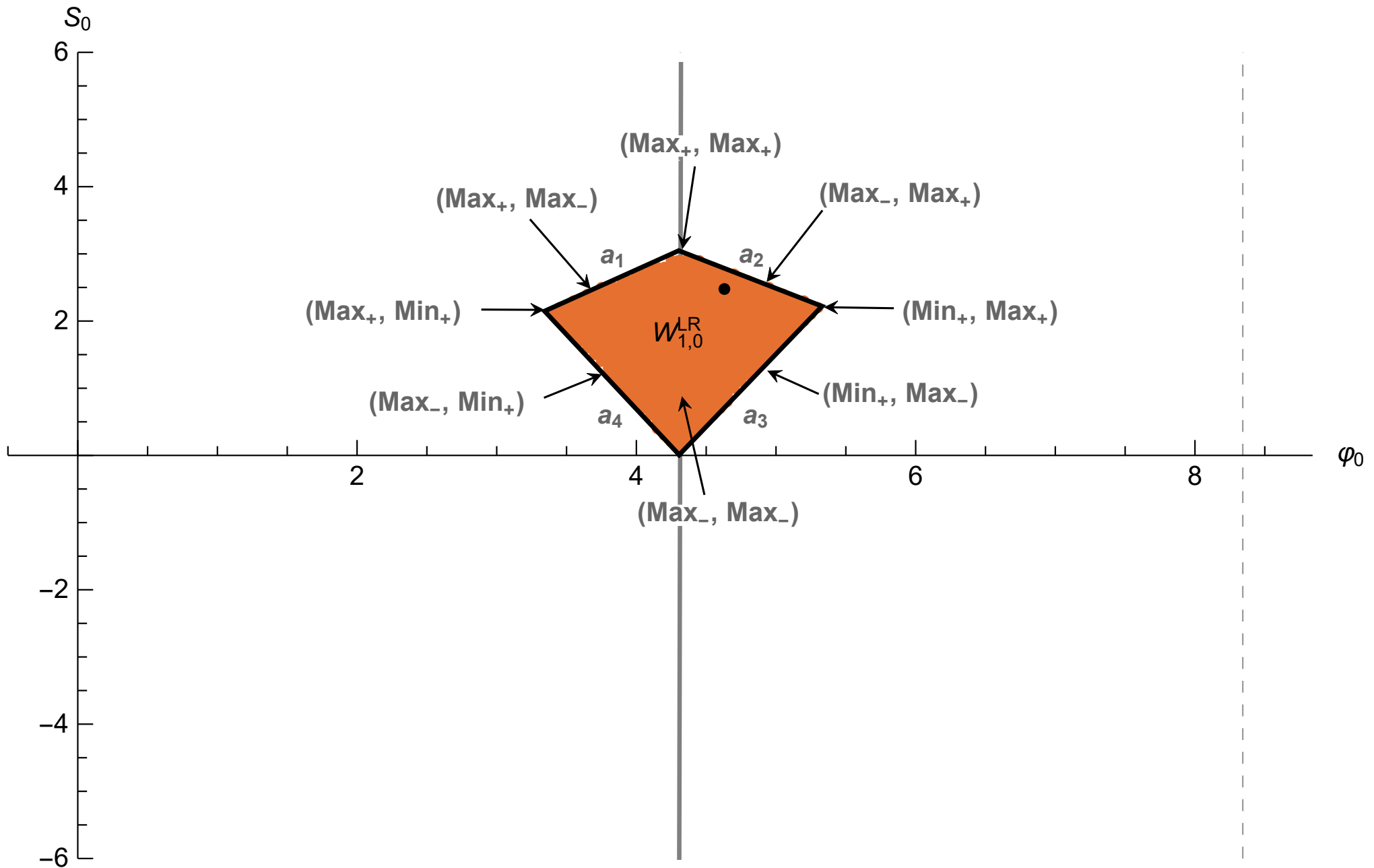
- The solution describes a UV fixed-point perturbed by the vev of an irrelevant operator.

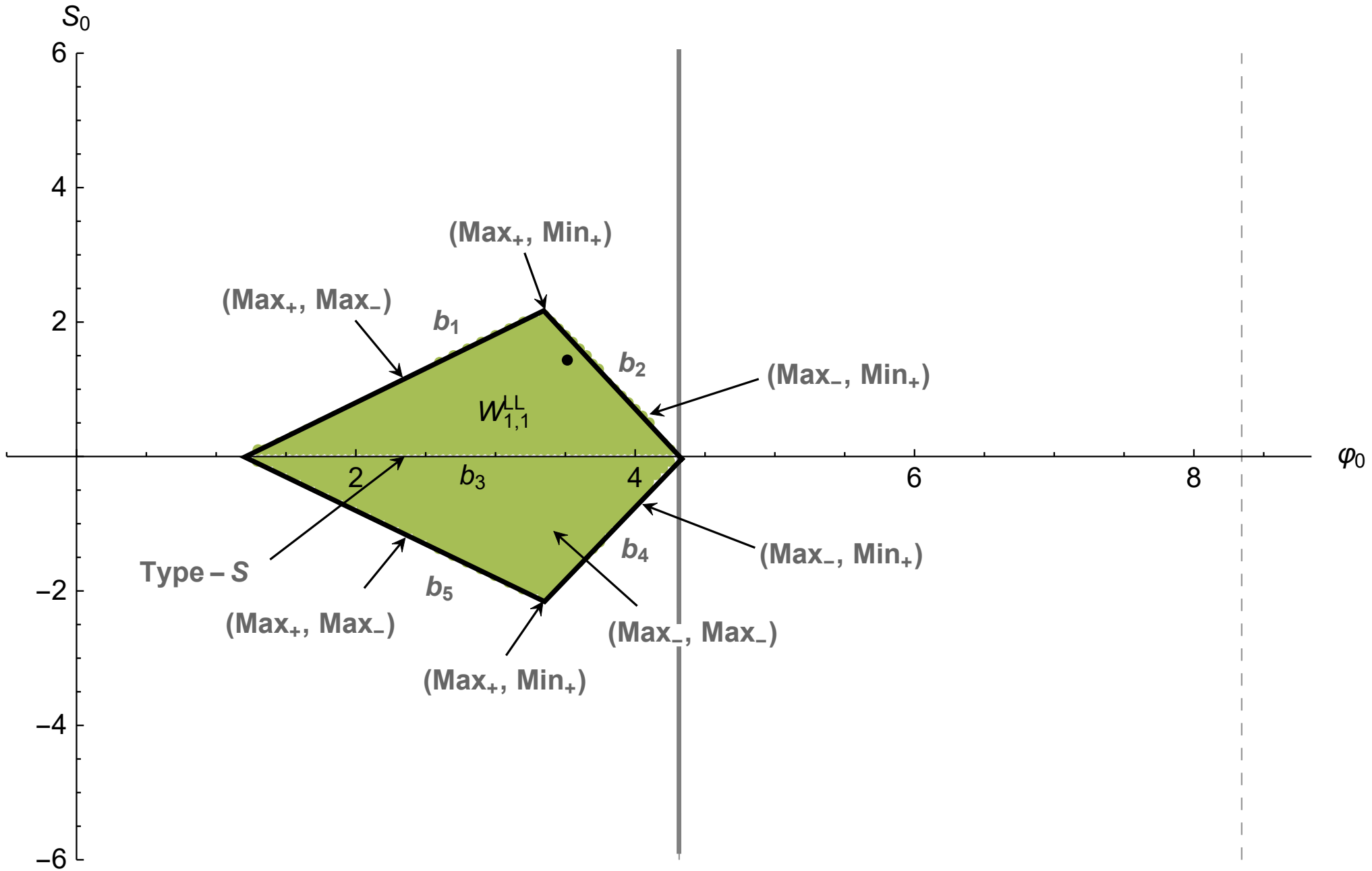
- In principle, it can exist for both flat and curved slices.

- We denote these asymptotics as Min_{\pm} .

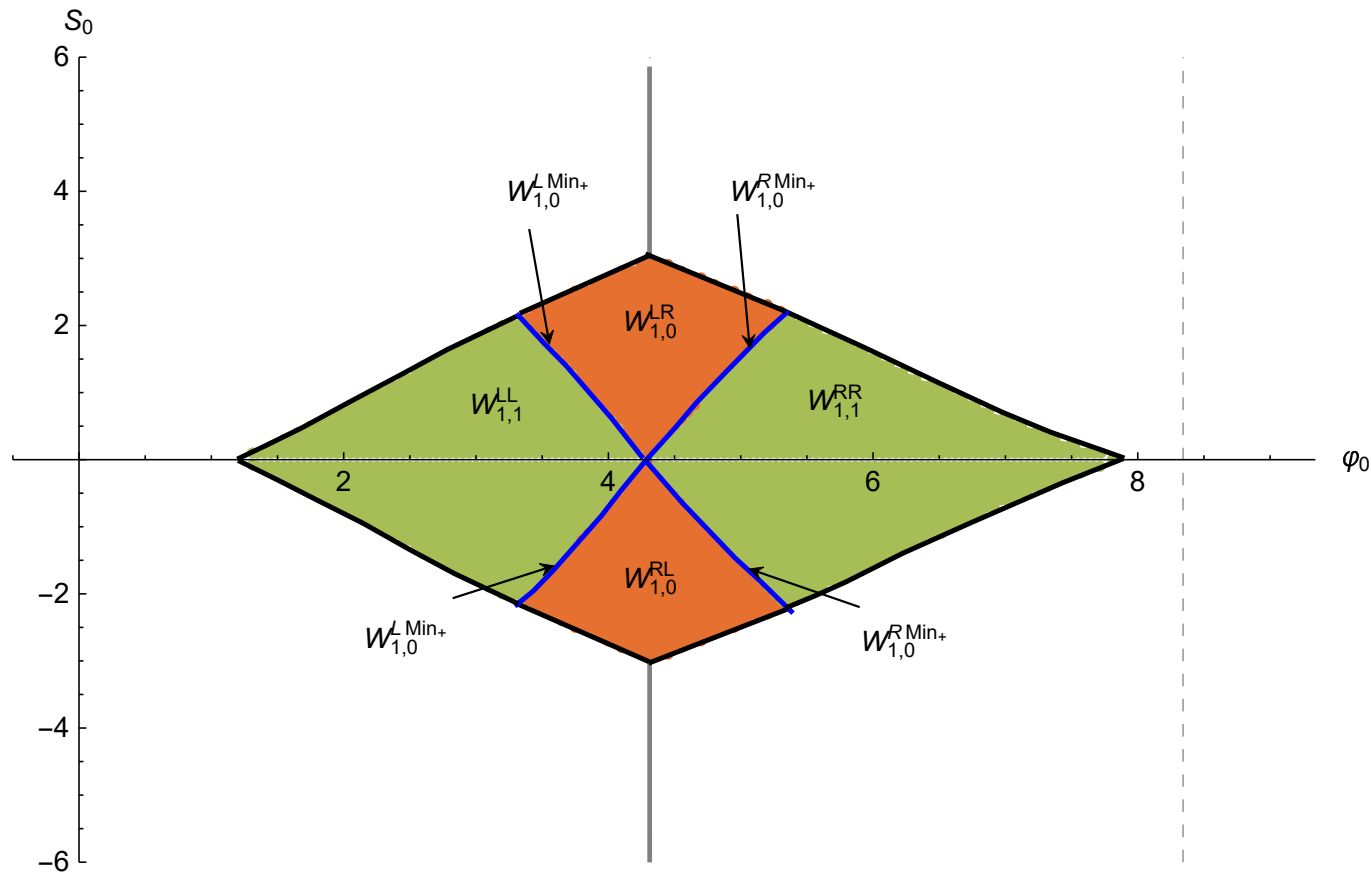
- Max_{\pm} and Min_{+} are associated to AdS boundaries and therefore to QFT UV fixed points.
- Min_{-} , to a shrinking slice geometry and therefore to an IR Fixed point.
- The $+ branch$ solutions, as they contain less integration constants, exist only in fine-tuned cases.
- The Min_{-} solution does not exist, when the (dimensionless) curvature of the slice $\mathcal{R} \neq 0$.

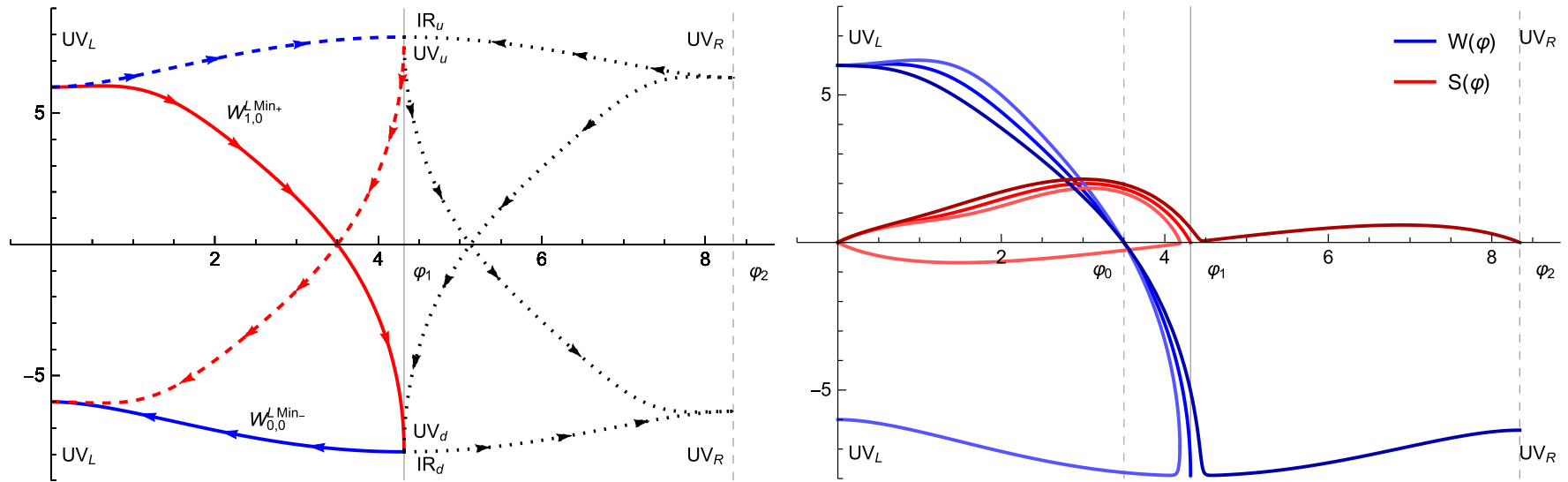
The region boundaries and tuned flows



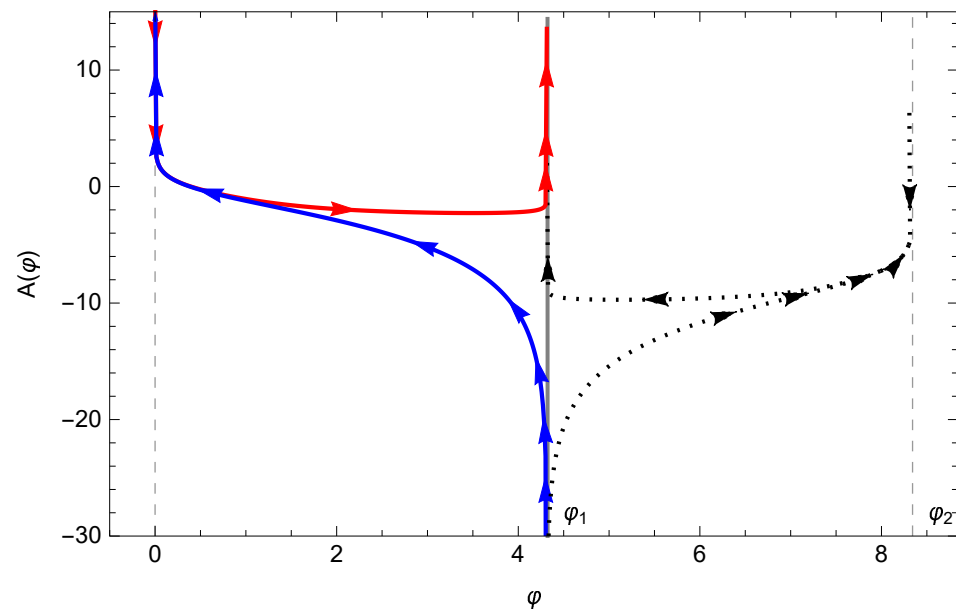
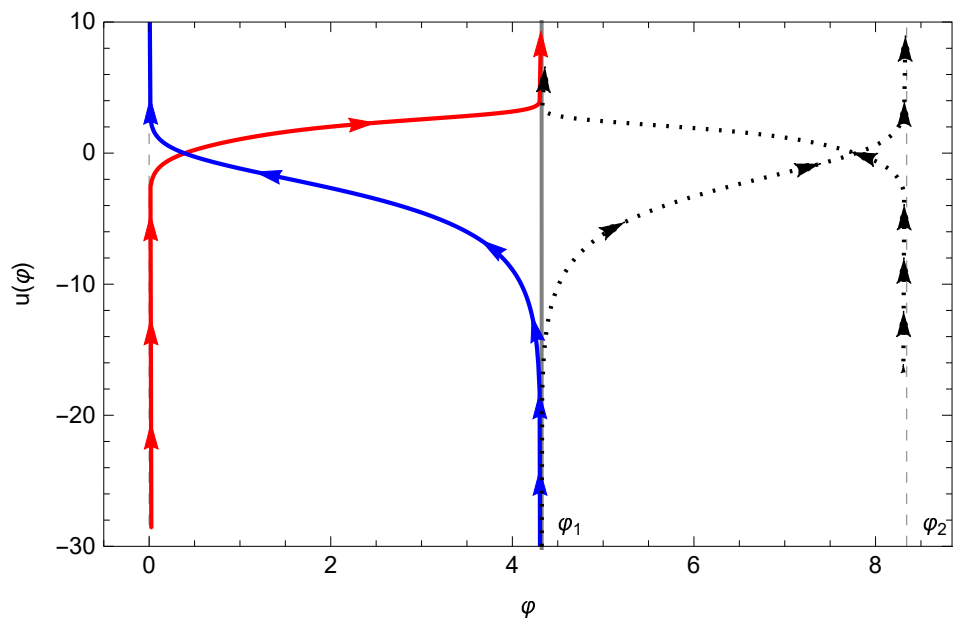
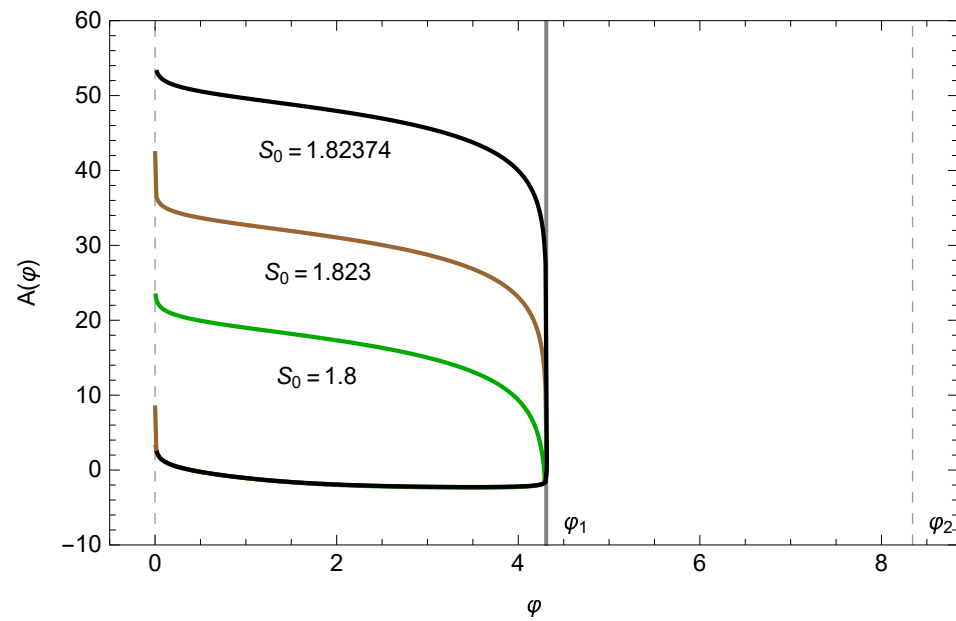
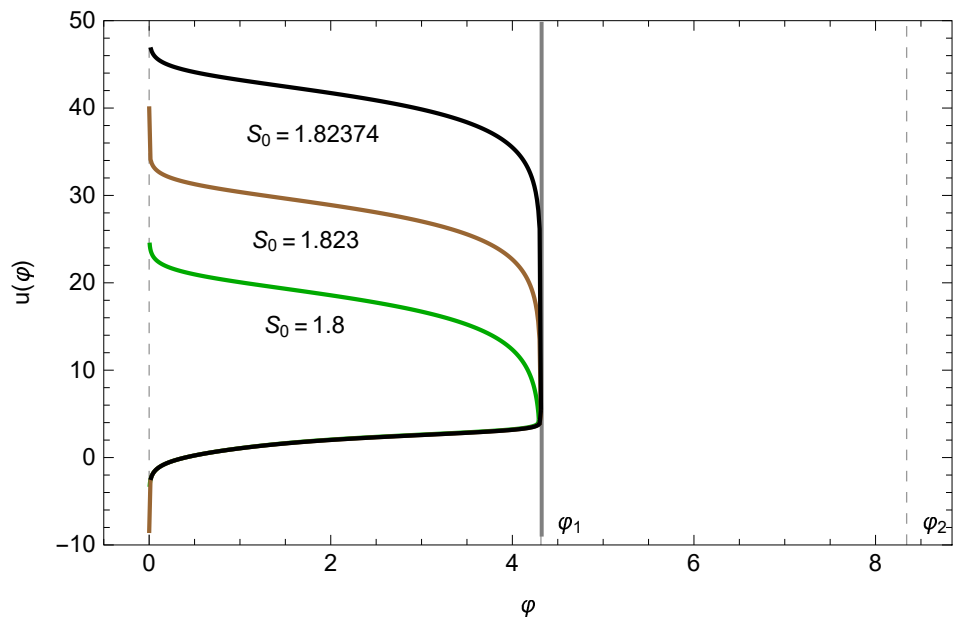


Flow fragmentation, walking and emergent boundaries





(a): An example of an RG flow between a maximum and a minimum. For the solid curves, (Max_-, Min_+) is a flow between a UV fixed point at maximum $\Phi = 0$ and another UV fixed point at the minimum $\Phi = \phi_1$. For the (Max_-, Min_-) part of the solution, the minimum is an IR fixed point. The dashed curves show the flipped image of the solid curves. The black dotted curves are other possible RG flows with the same UV fixed points. (b): At a fixed ϕ_0 when the value of S_0 is exactly on the border of type $W_{1,0}^{LR}$ and type $W_{1,1}^{LL}$, we have the $W_{1,0}^{LMin+}$ branch solution (the middle flow). If we increase or decrease the value of S_0 we have the $W_{1,0}^{LR}$ or $W_{1,1}^{LL}$ solutions respectively.



The behavior of the holographic coordinate and scale factor in terms of Φ for the $W_{1,0}^{LMin+}$ and $W_{0,0}^{LMin-}$ RG flows. The red curve belongs to $W_{1,0}^{LMin+}$ and the blue to $W_{0,0}^{LMin-}$.

- In this limiting region we have an explicit example of **solution fragmentation**.

- There are two phenomena visible in this example.

- ♠ **Walking**. This is the phenomenon when an intermediate AdS region appears between the UV and IR, or between UV and UV as is the case here

- ♠ **The emergence of a new boundary**.



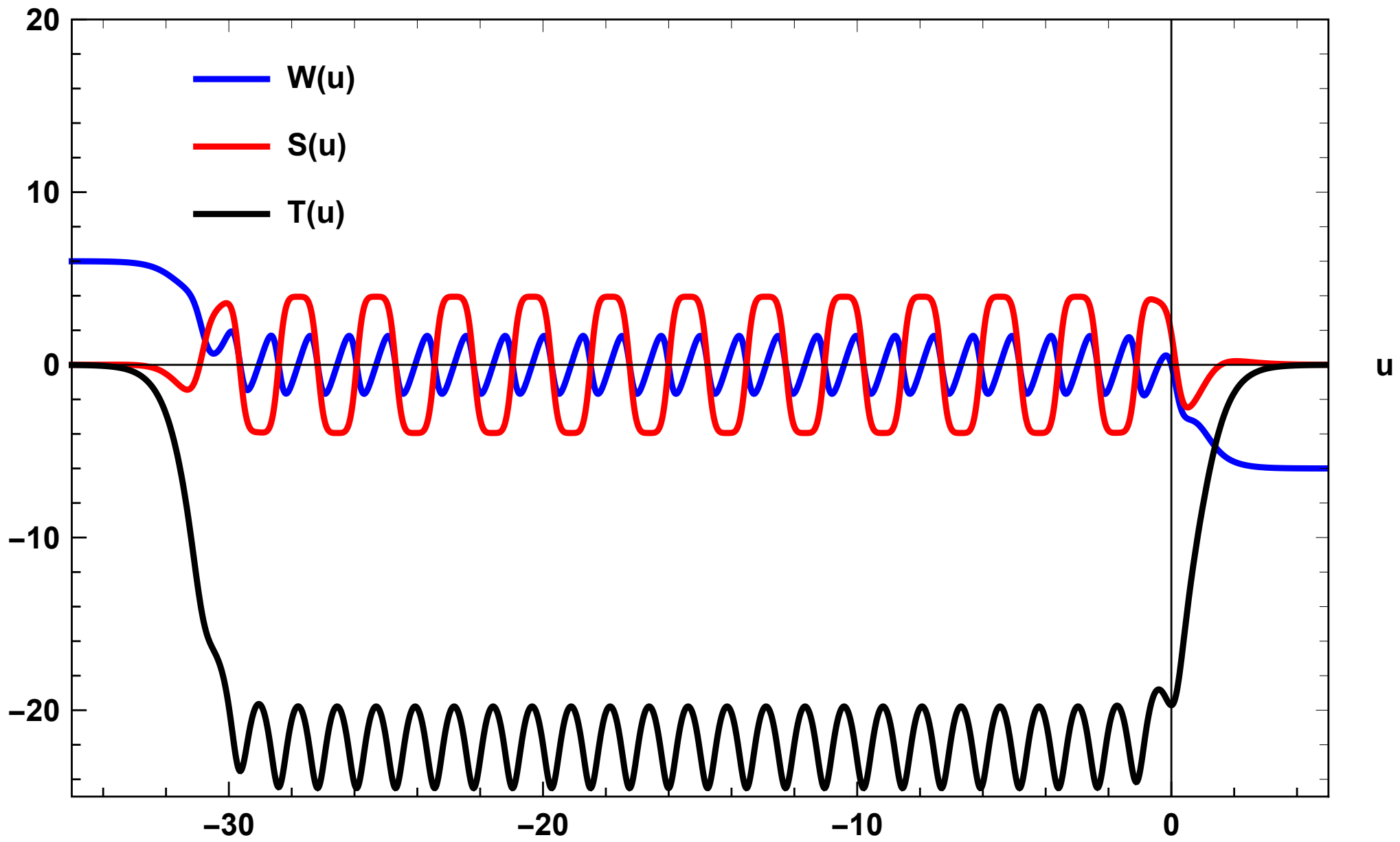
$$(Max_-, Max_-) \rightarrow (Max_-, Min_-) \oplus (Min_+, Max_-)$$

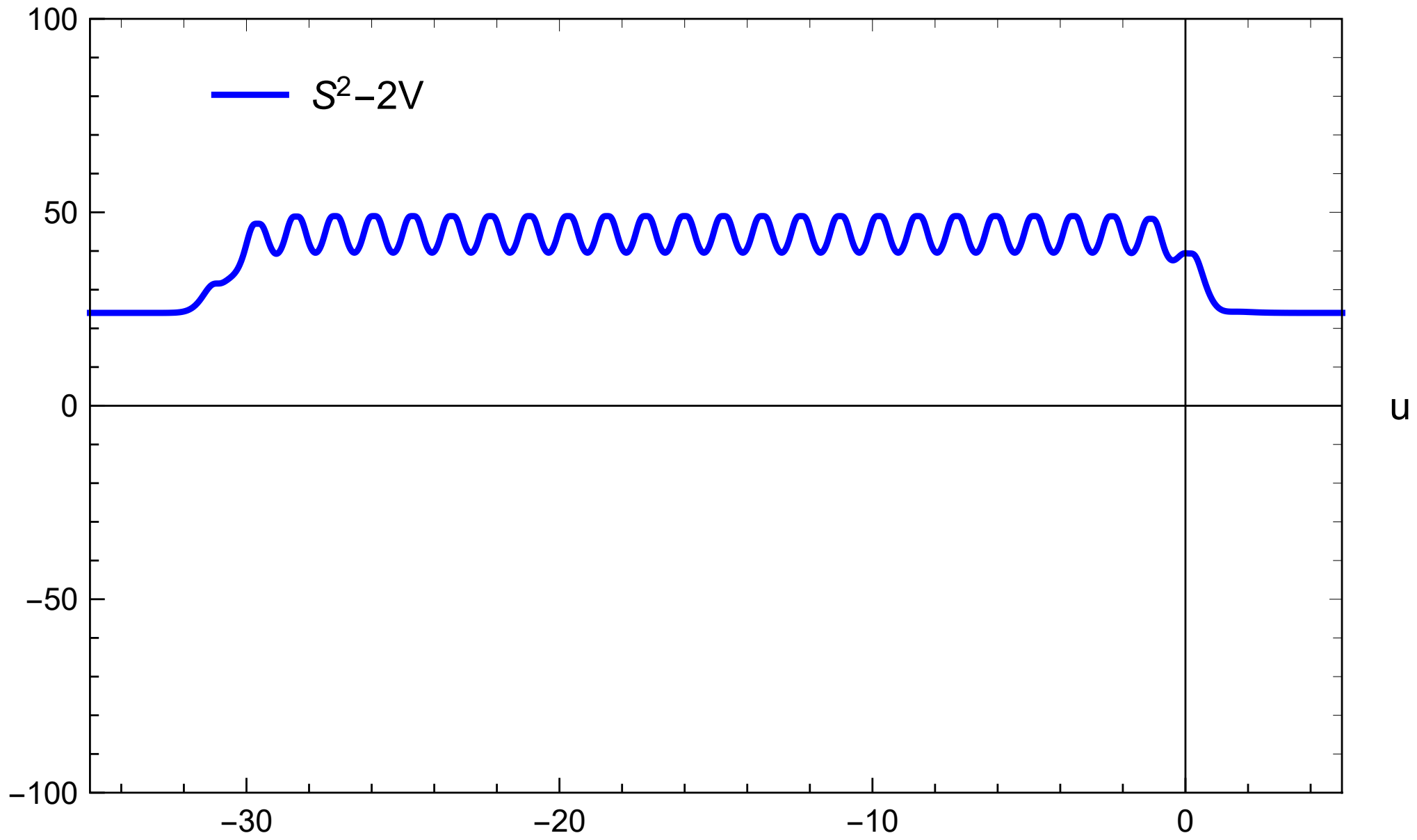
- Such flows can be rotated into cosmological solutions with a cosmological bounce, no singularity and "inflation" at the place of big bag.

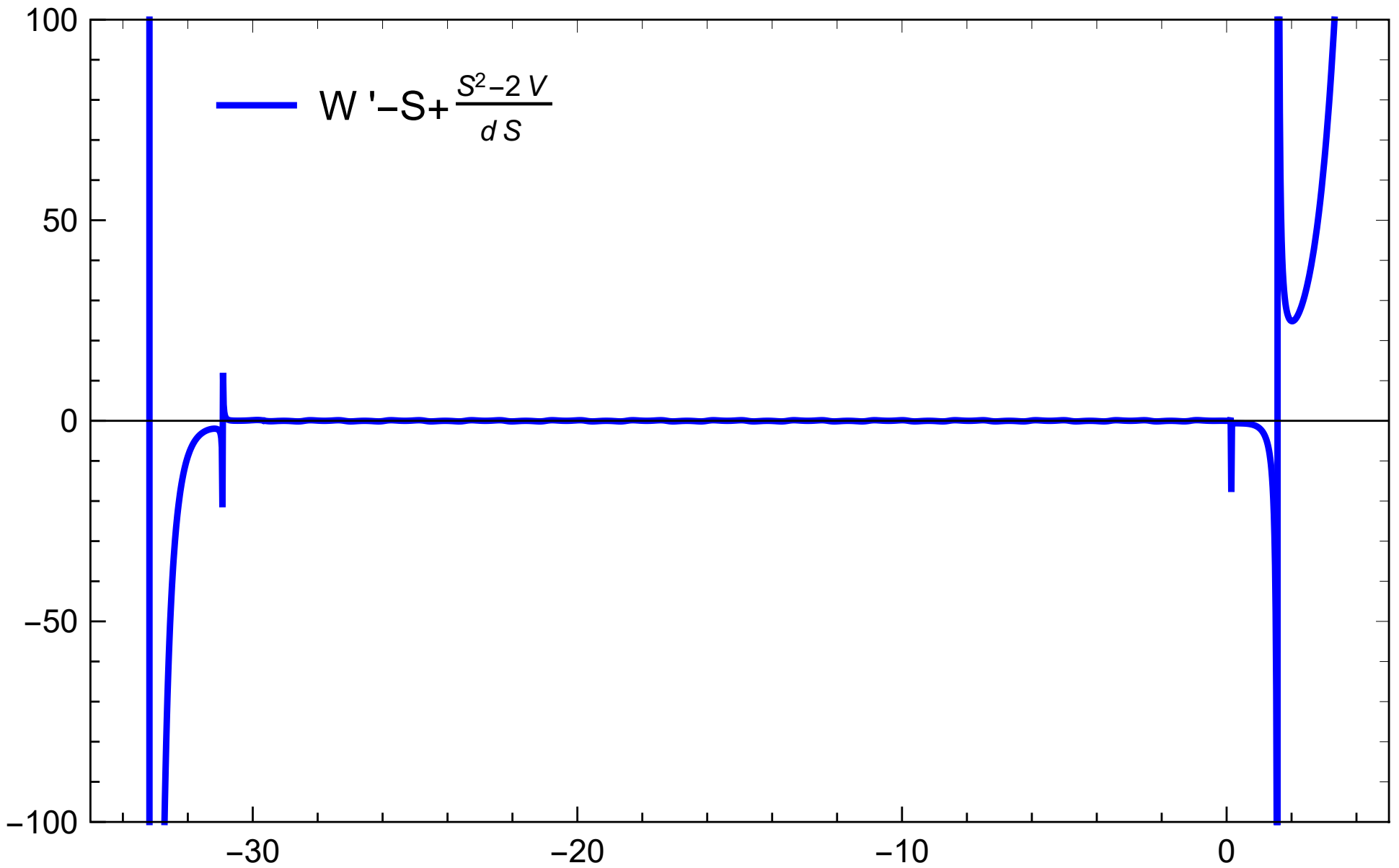
Solutions with many A-loops

The numerical solutions with many oscillations in the scale factor, have two general properties:

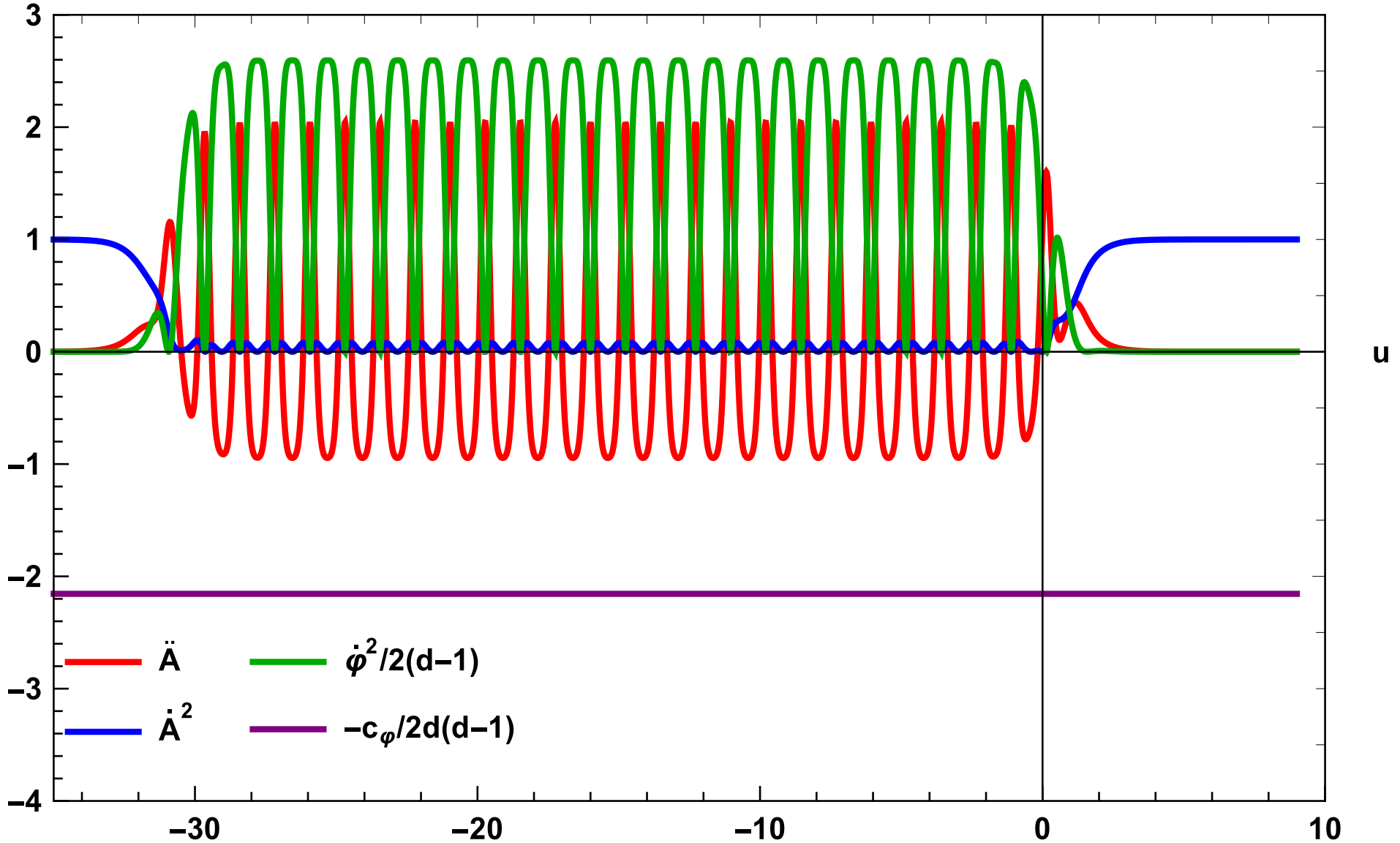
- At the oscillation region, the scale factor $A(u)$ has small amplitude oscillations around a fixed value.
- The oscillations of Φ are in a region in which the potential (3) can be approximated by $(0 \leq \Phi \lesssim 2)$







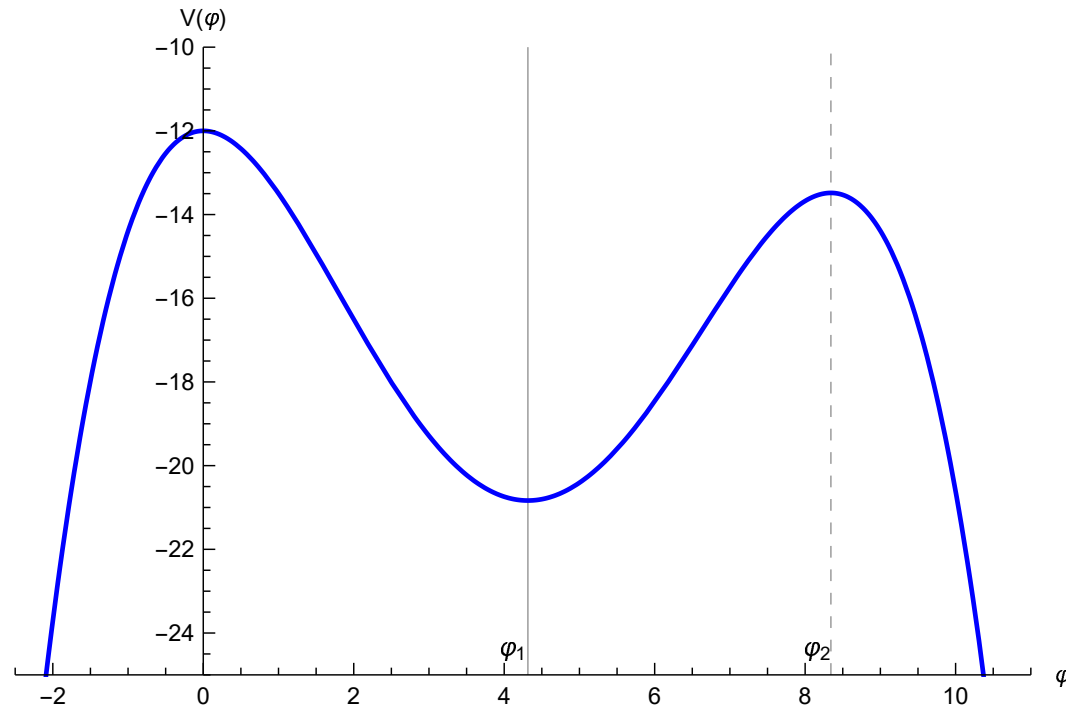
(a) W, S and T as a function of u . (b) Shows the function $S^2 - 2V$ that is nearly constant. $T = W' - S + \frac{S^2 - 2V}{dS}$ as a function of u . It is approximately zero,



Various terms plotted as a function of the coordinate u . The amplitude of the oscillations of \dot{A}^2 is very smaller than the other terms. The horizontal axis is the u coordinate.

Classifying the solutions, Part I

- We pick $d = 4$ and a generic quartic potential



- The left maximum is at $\Phi = 0$.
- The right maximum is at $\Phi_2 = 8.34$.
- The minimum is located at $\Phi_1 = 4.31$.

- “Technical” definitions:

♠ **A-bounce** is a point where $\dot{A} = 0 \rightarrow W = 0$. It always exists when the slice curvature is negative.

- We denote the position of an **A-bounce** by Φ_0 .

♠ **Φ -bounce** is a point where $\dot{\Phi} = 0 \rightarrow S = 0$.

- We always start our solution at an **A-bounce** at $\Phi = \Phi_0$ ($W(\Phi_0) = 0$) and we solve the first order equations

$$\frac{d}{2(d-1)}W^2 + (d-1)S^2 - dSW' + 2V = 0,$$

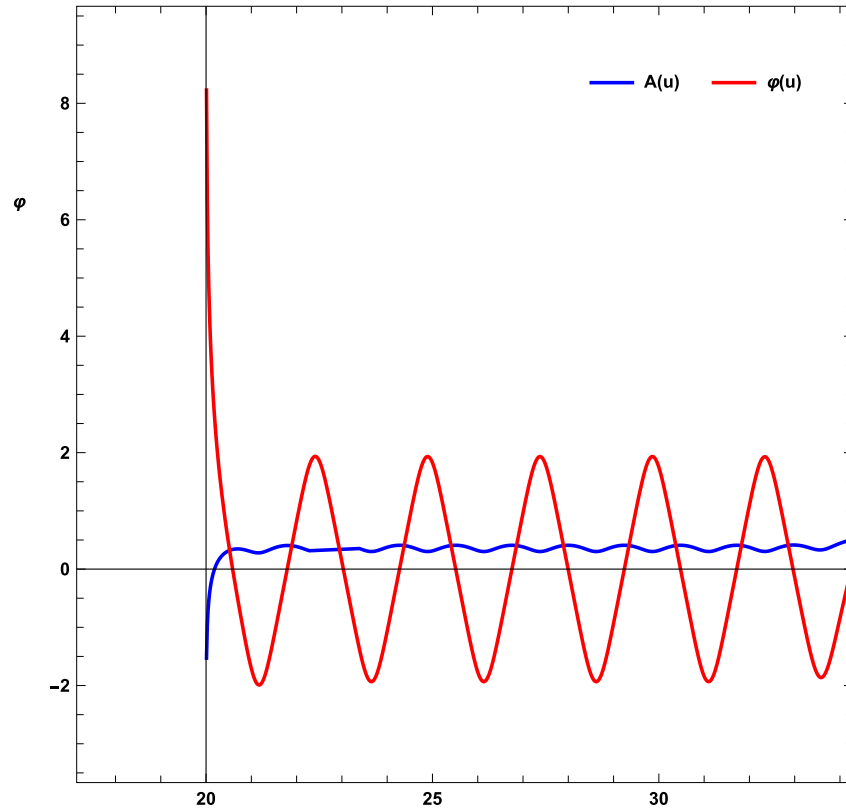
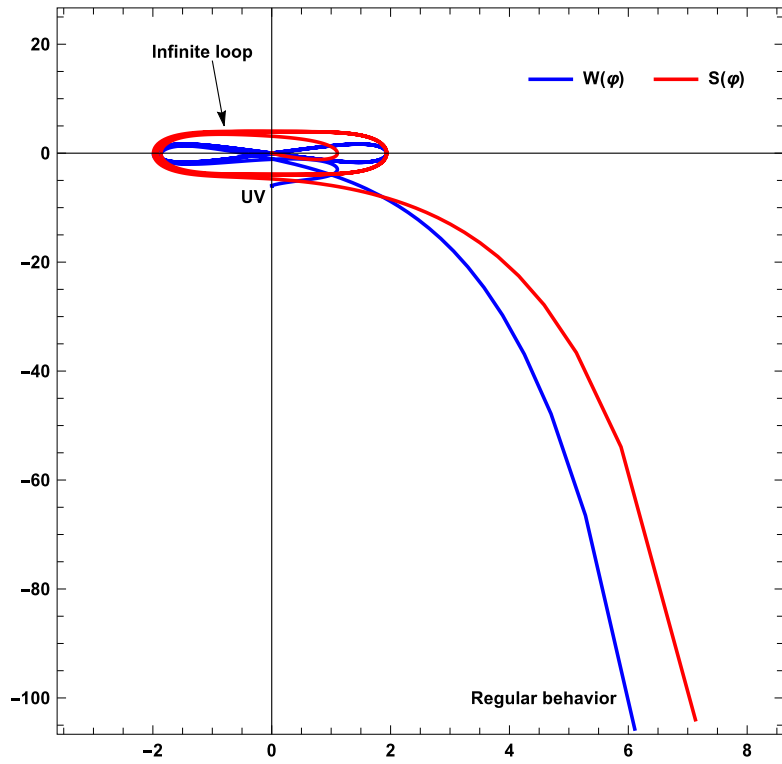
$$SS' - \frac{d}{2(d-1)}SW - V' = 0.$$

- We only need an extra “initial” condition: $S_0 \equiv \dot{\Phi}|_{\Phi=\Phi_0} \equiv S(\Phi_0)$.
- The two parameters $(\Phi_0, S_0) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ are the complete initial data of the first order system.
- For each pair (Φ_0, S_0) there is a **unique** solution.

Introduction-I

- QFTs have parameters.
- Some are associated to **scalar operators**.
- ♠ Others to the energy-momentum tensor (**geometry**) or currents (**charge densities**).
- The latter are **always "relevant"** (they affect non-trivially the IR physics)
- They are important in cosmology and/or astrophysics and cond-mat physics.

Confining Theories on AdS-Critical solutions



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