

CDD deformations of 2D IQFTs

A report on non-trivial behaviour in irrelevant deformations

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Investigate this point more deeply by means of Wilson's interpretation of RG¹.

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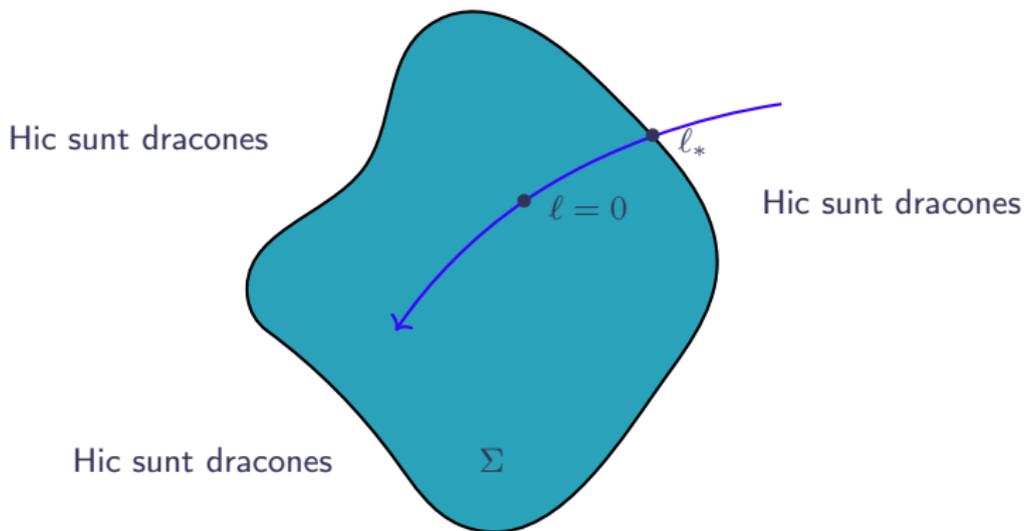


Figure: Pictorial representation of the space of quasi-local theories Σ , together with a flow. The arrow denotes the “forward RG time” direction and $-l_*$ the “critical RG time” before which the theory lies outside Σ .

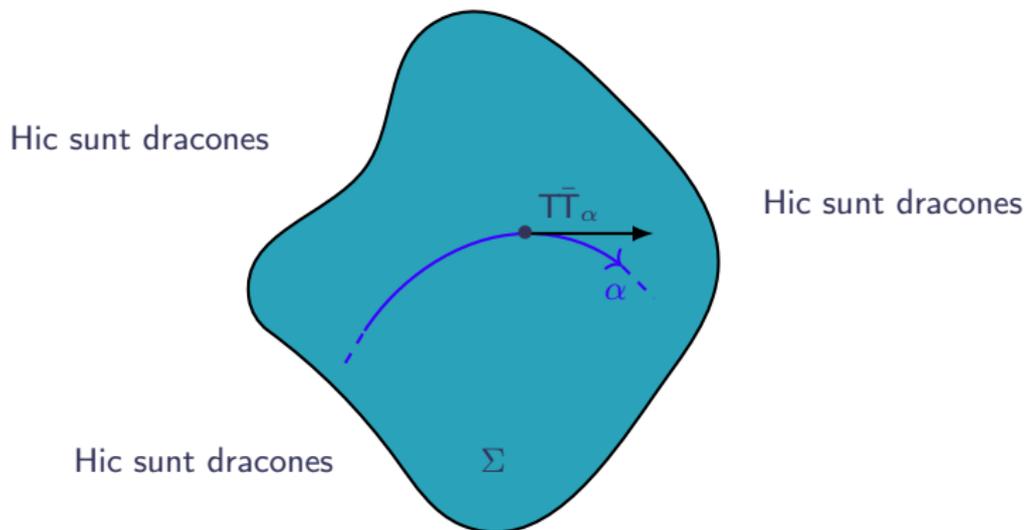


Figure: Pictorial representation of the $\bar{T}\bar{T}$ -flow

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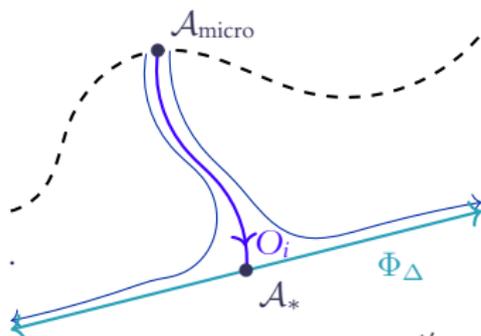
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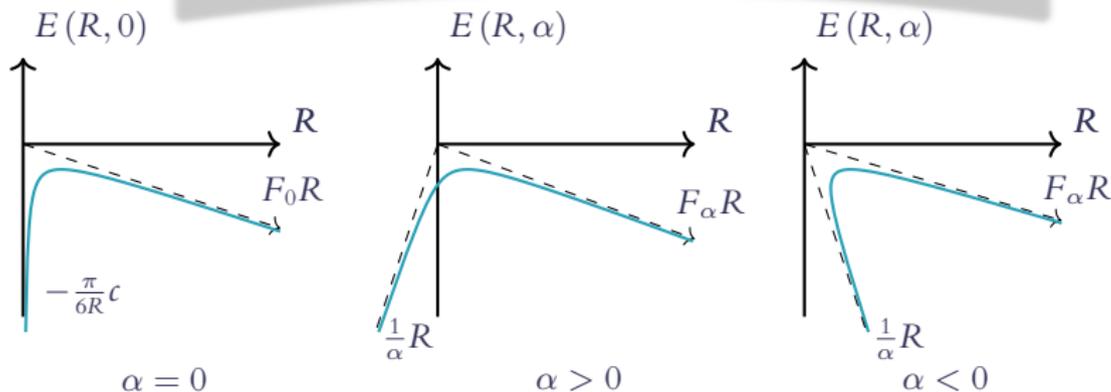
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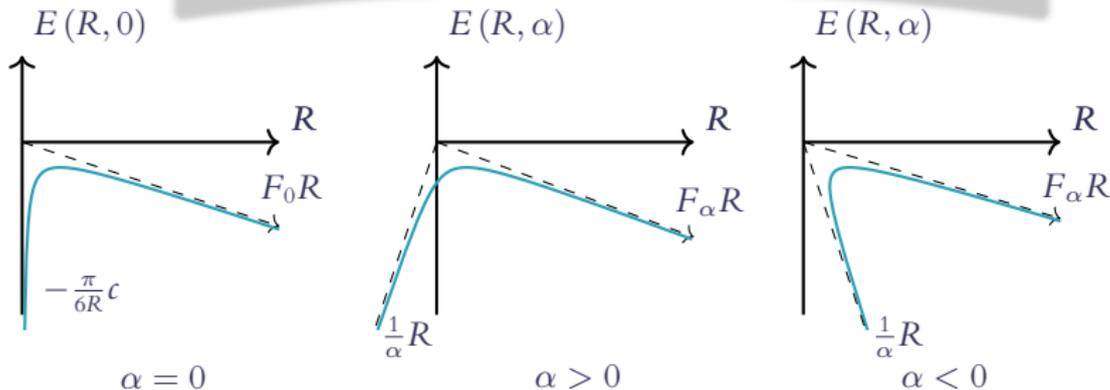


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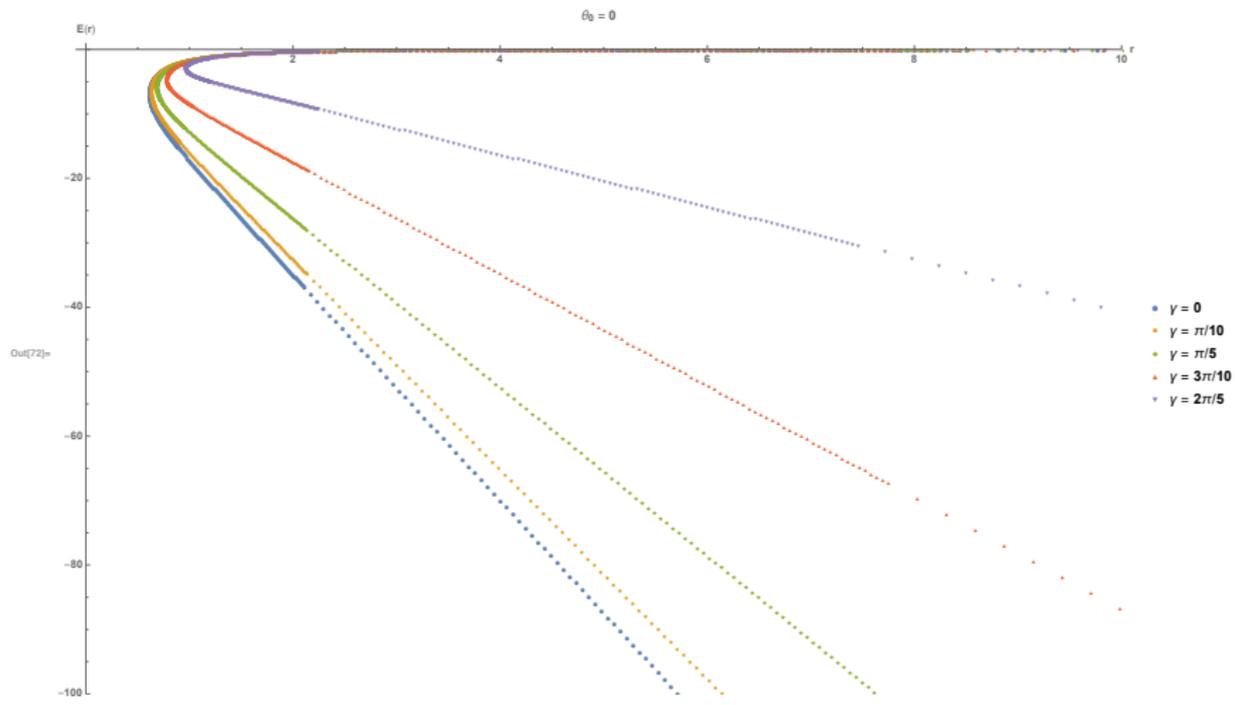


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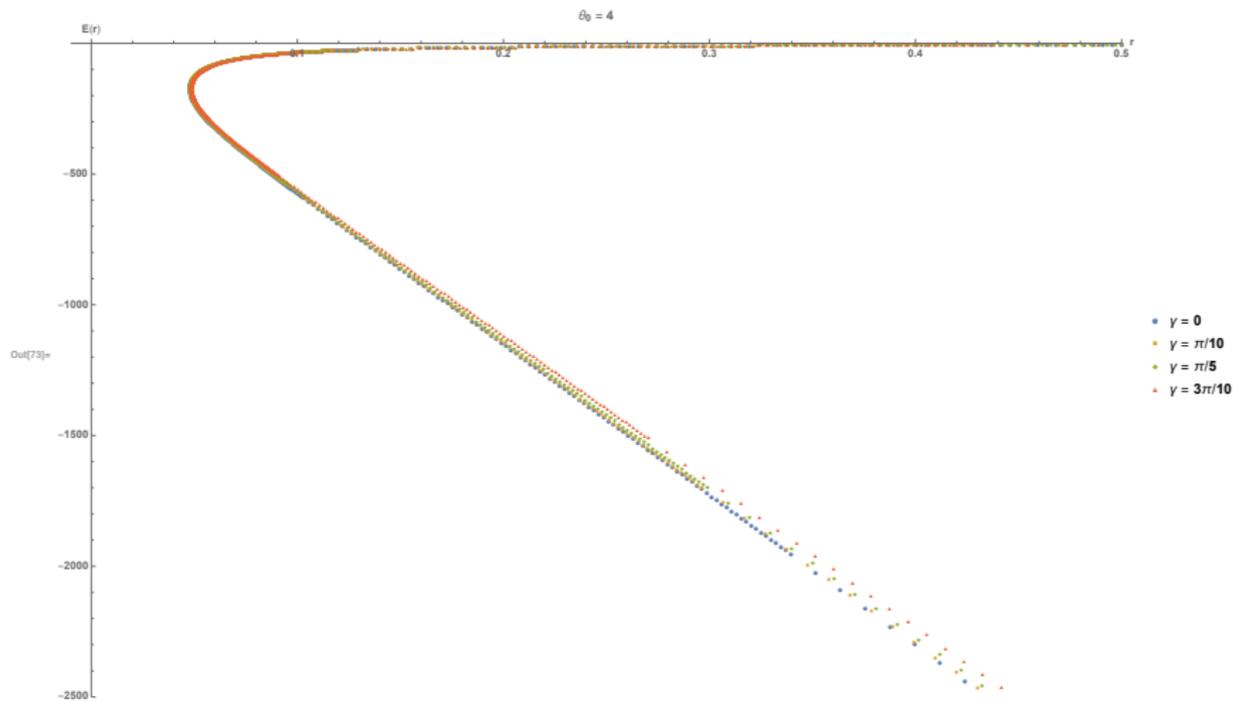


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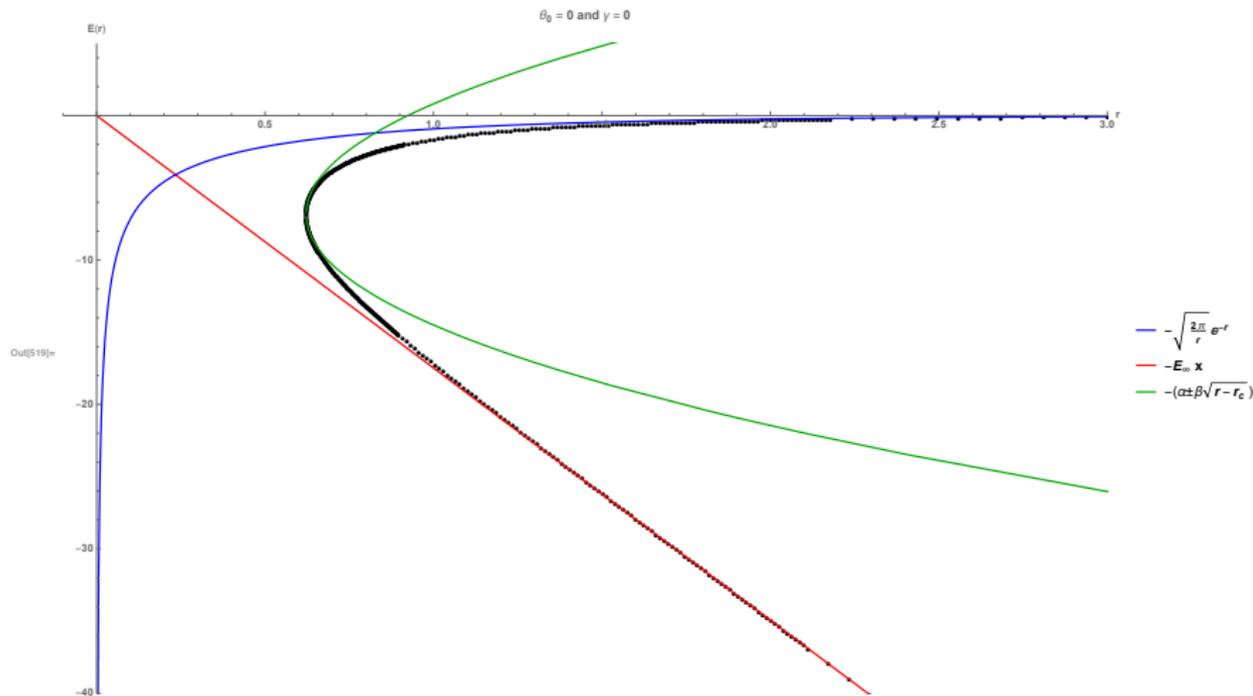


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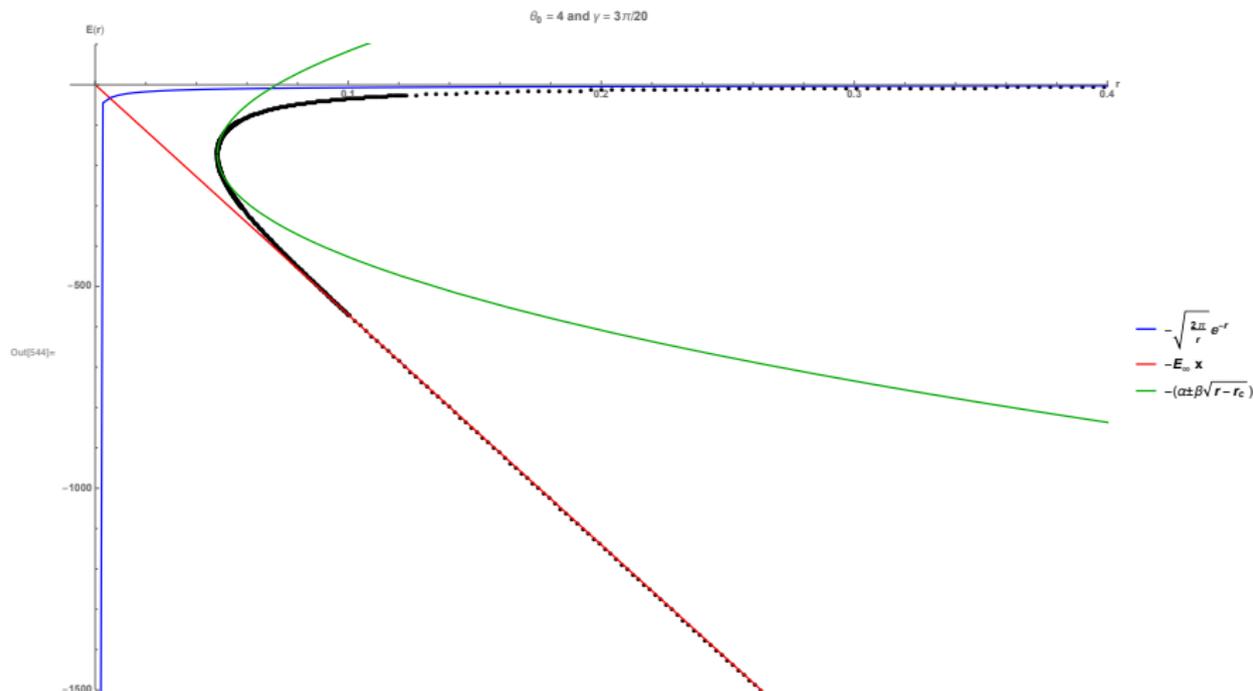


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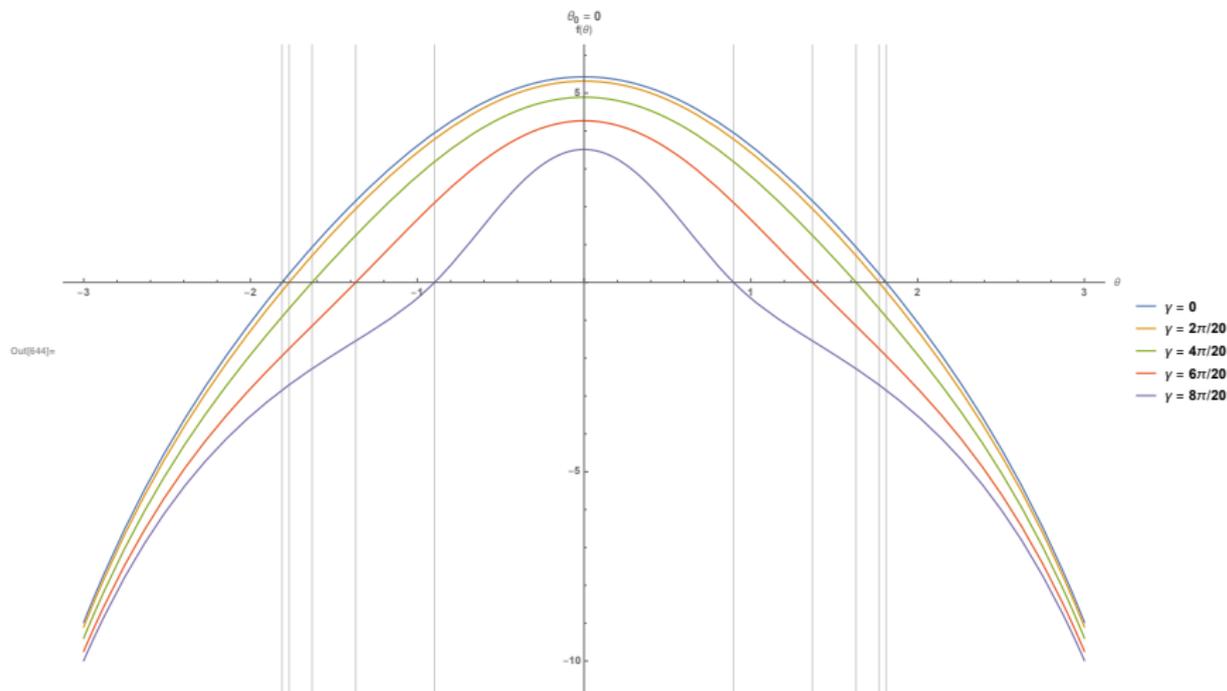


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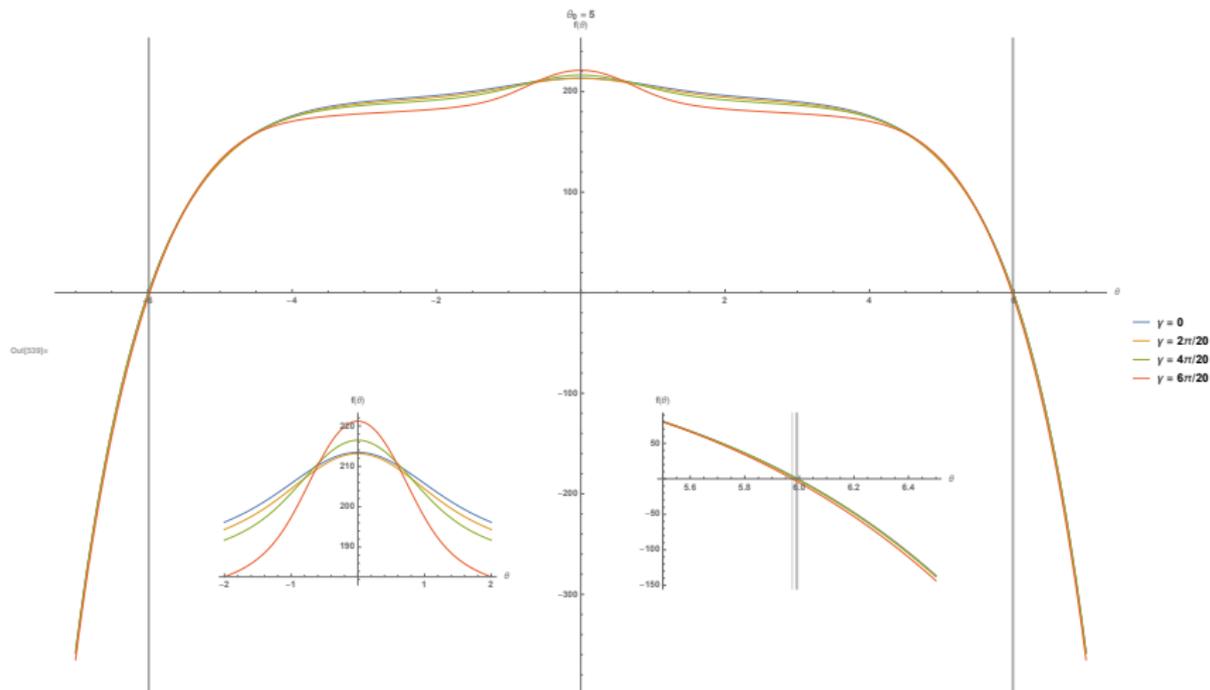


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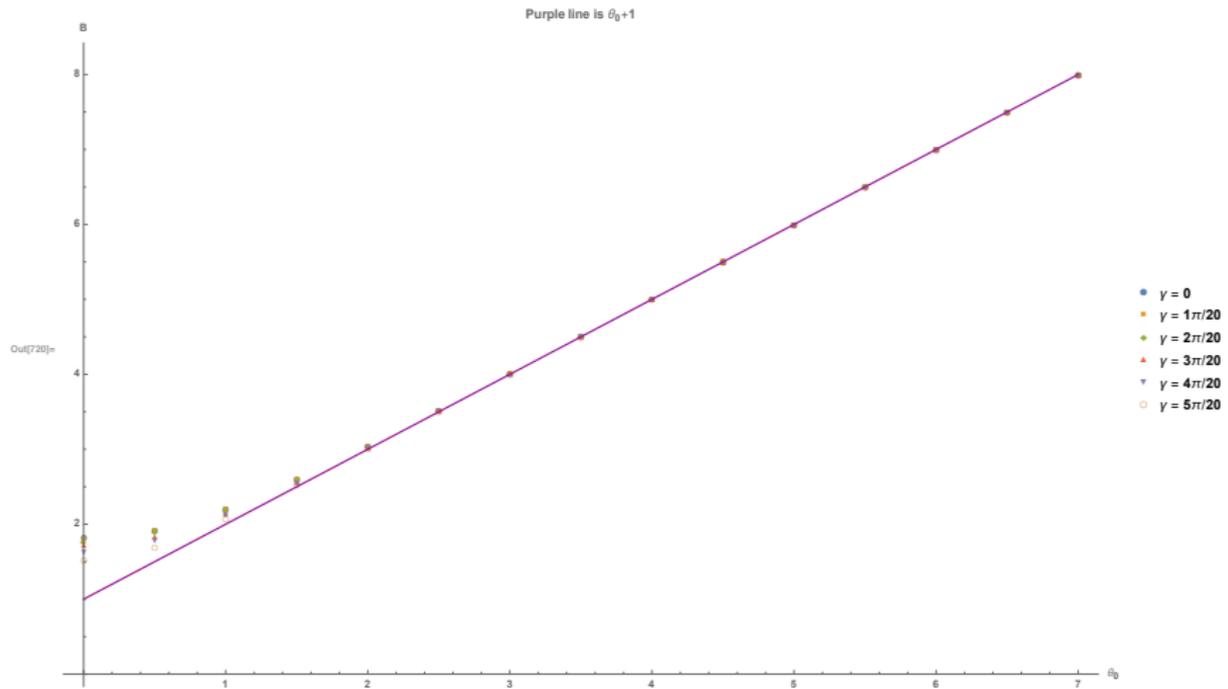


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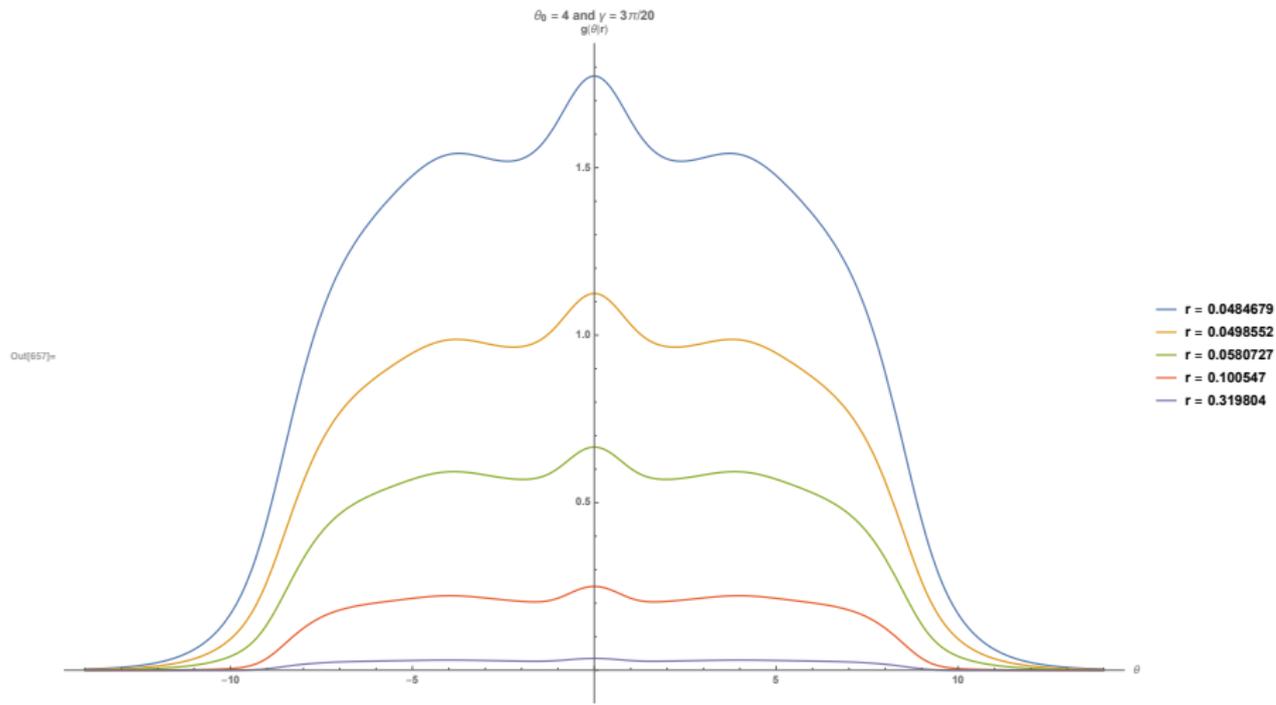


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