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**RENORMALIZATIONS, RG EQUATIONS AND
HIGH ENERGY BEHAVIOUR IN
NON-RENORMALIZABLE THEORIES**

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Motivation:

- The Standard Model is renormalizable
- Gravity is not renormalizable

Non-renormalizable theories are not accepted due to:

- UV divergences are not under control - infinite number of new types of divergences
- The amplitudes increase with energy (in PT) and violate unitarity

Suggestion (novel approach to NR interactions):

- To replace the multiplicative renormalization procedure by a new one, where the renormalization constant Z is replaced by an operator \hat{Z} , which depends on kinematics
- To sum up the leading asymptotics in all orders of PT (generalized RG) and to study the high-energy behavior

Renormalization

Consider 2->2 scattering amplitude on shell

$$\Gamma_4(s, t, u) = \Gamma_4^{tree} \bar{\Gamma}_4(s, t, u)$$

$$\bar{\Gamma}_4 = 1 + \lambda \dots + \lambda^2 \dots$$

Renormalization (dimensional regularization)

$$\bar{\Gamma}_4 = Z_4(\lambda) \bar{\Gamma}_4^{bare} |_{\lambda_{bare} \rightarrow \lambda Z_4},$$

$$\lambda_{bare} = \mu^\epsilon Z_4(\lambda) \lambda$$

BPHZ R-operation

$$RG = (1 - K)R'G$$

$$Z = 1 - \sum_i KR'G_i$$

In NR theories $Z \rightarrow \hat{Z}$ \hat{Z} is a function (polynomial) of s,t,u acting as an operator

Example (taken from D=8 YM theory)

Exactly follows the BPHZ R-operation

$$\hat{Z} = 1 + g^2 \frac{st}{\epsilon}$$

$$g^2 s t \square \implies g^2 \left(s \triangle + t \nabla \right)$$

Either s or t are to be inserted into the loop and integrated

$$\phi_D^4$$

$$D = 4, 6, 8, 10$$

$$[\lambda] = 2 - D/2$$

2->2 scattering amplitude on shell

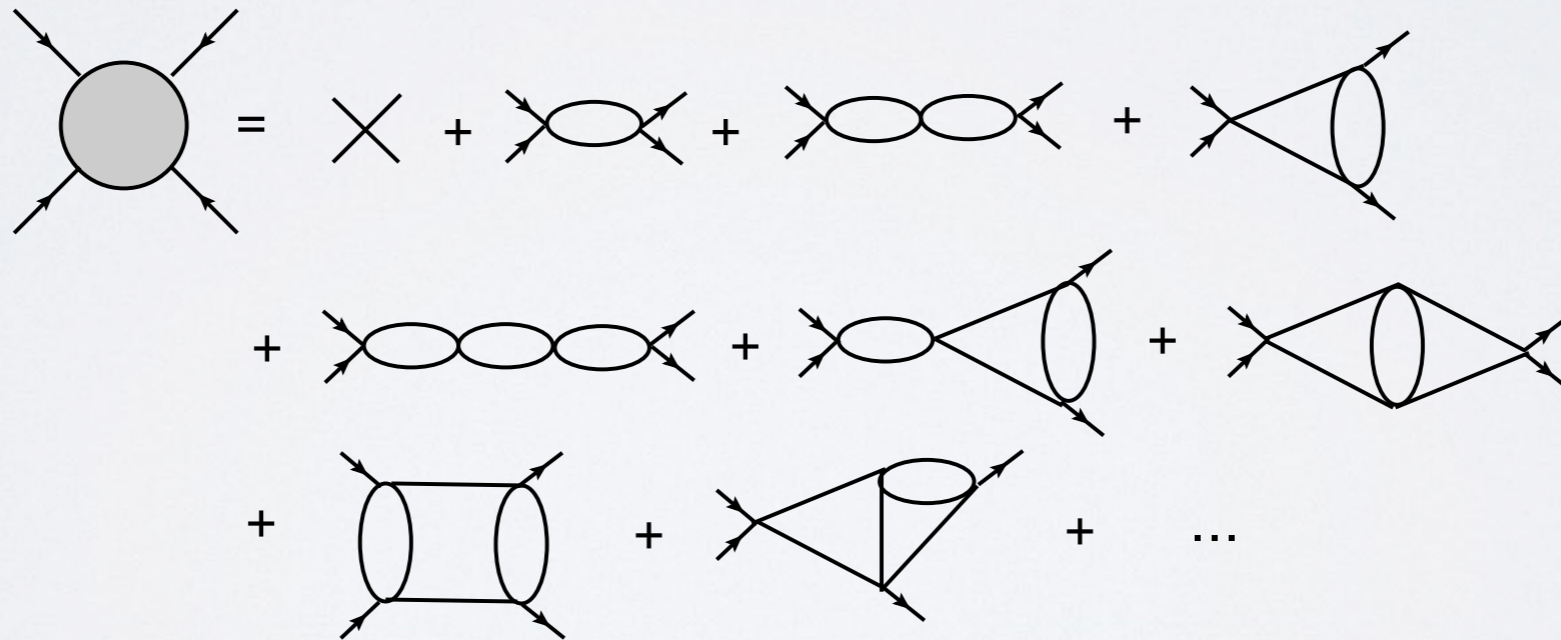
$$m = 0$$

$$s + t + u = 0$$

$$\Gamma_4(s, t, u) = \lambda(1 + \Gamma_s(s, t, u) + \Gamma_t(s, t, u) + \Gamma_u(s, t, u))$$

PT:

$$\Gamma_s = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-z)^n S_n, \quad \Gamma_t = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-z)^n T_n, \quad \Gamma_u = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-z)^n U_n, \quad z \equiv \frac{\lambda}{\epsilon}$$



PT expansion (only s-channel is shown)

BPHZ R-operation

$$\mathcal{R}'G_n = \frac{A_n^{(n)} (\mu^2)^{n\epsilon}}{\epsilon^n} + \frac{A_{n-1}^{(n)} (\mu^2)^{(n-1)\epsilon}}{\epsilon^n} + \dots + \frac{A_1^{(n)} (\mu^2)^\epsilon}{\epsilon^n} + \text{lower pole terms}$$

$A_k^{(n)} (\mu^2)^{k\epsilon}$ terms appear after subtraction of (n-k) loop counter terms

Statement: $R'G_n$ is local, i.e. terms like $\log^k \mu^2 / \epsilon^m$ should cancel for any k and m

Consequence: $A_n^{(n)} = (-1)^{n+1} \frac{A_1^{(n)}}{n}$


$$KR'G_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{A_k^{(n)}}{\epsilon^n} \right) \equiv \frac{A_n^{(n)'}}{\epsilon^n} \quad A_n^{(n)'} = (-1)^{n+1} A_n^{(n)} = \frac{A_1^{(n)}}{n}.$$

$A_1^{(n)}$ is the contribution to the leading pole in n-loops from the diagrams appearing in due course of R-operation after subtraction of (n-1) loop counter terms

The leading divergences are governed by 1 loop diagrams!

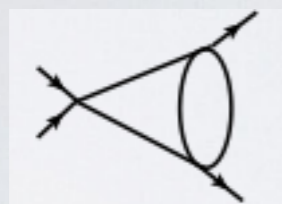
Two loop example

ϕ_4^4



$$= \left(\frac{A_2^{(2)}}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{A_1^{(2)}}{\epsilon} \right) \left(\frac{\mu^2}{s} \right)^{2\epsilon}$$

\mathcal{R}'



$$= \text{[Sunset Diagram]} - \text{[Bubble Diagram]} \cdot \text{[One-loop Diagram]} = \left(\frac{A_2^{(2)}}{\epsilon^2} + \frac{A_1^{(2)}}{\epsilon} \right) \left(\frac{\mu^2}{s} \right)^{2\epsilon} - \frac{A_1^{(1)}}{\epsilon} \left(\frac{\mu^2}{s} \right)^\epsilon \frac{A_1^{(1)}}{\epsilon}$$

$$= \frac{A_2^{(2)}}{\epsilon^2} - \frac{(A_1^{(1)})^2}{\epsilon^2} + \underbrace{2 \frac{A_2^{(2)}}{\epsilon} \log(\mu^2/s) - \frac{(A_1^{(1)})^2}{\epsilon} \log(\mu^2/s)}_{\text{non-local terms to be cancelled}} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{(A_1^{(1)})^2}{\epsilon^2} + \dots$$

non-local terms to be cancelled

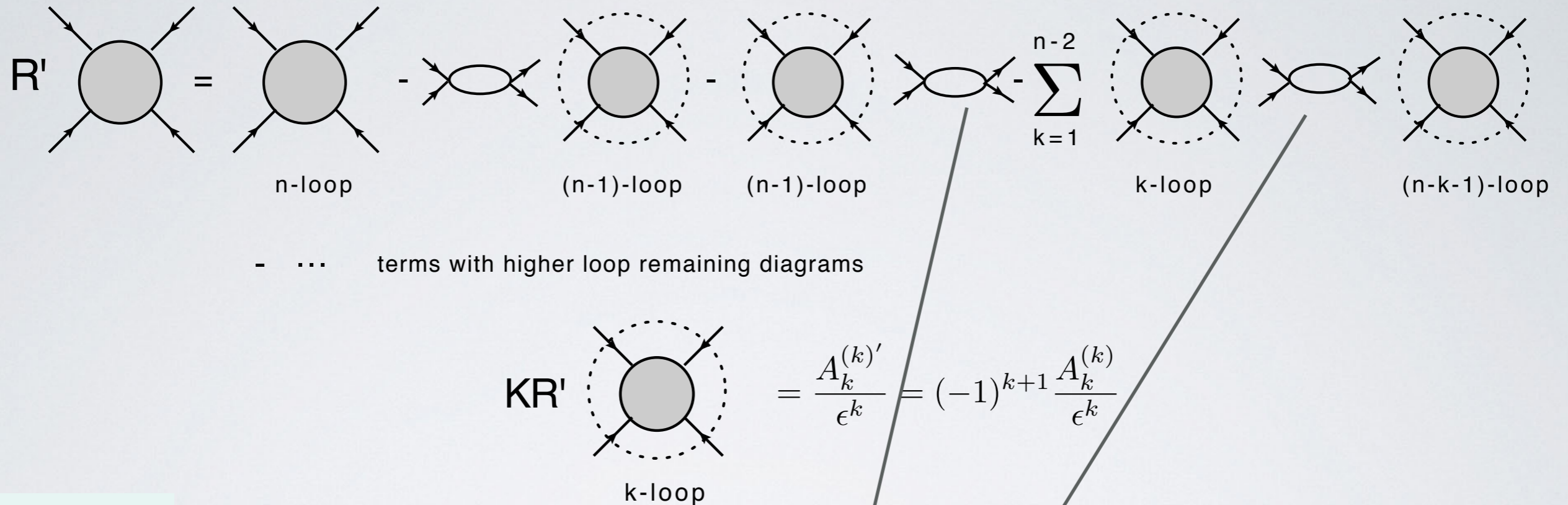
Leading divergence is given by the one-loop term

$$A_2^{(2)} = \frac{1}{2} (A_1^{(1)})^2$$

ϕ_D^4

- These statements are universal and are valid in non-renormalizable theories as well.
- The only difference is that the counter term $A_1^{(1)}$ depends on kinematics and has to be integrated through the remaining one-loop graph.
- As a result $A_2^{(2)}$ is not the square of $A_1^{(1)}$ anymore but is the integrated square (see below).
- This last statement is the general feature of any QFT irrespective of renormalizability

Recurrence Relations for the Leading Poles

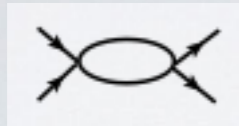


$$\begin{aligned}
 nS_n(s, t, u) &= \frac{s^{D/2-2}}{\Gamma(D/2-1)} \int_0^1 dx [x(1-x)]^{D/2-2} (S_{n-1}(s, t', u') + T_{n-1}(s, t', u') + U_{n-1}(s, t', u')) \\
 &+ \frac{1}{2} \frac{s^{D/2-2}}{\Gamma(D/2-1)} \int_0^1 dx [x(1-x)]^{D/2-2} \sum_{k=1}^{n-2} \sum_{p=0}^{(D/2-2)k} \sum_{l=0}^p \frac{1}{p!(p+D/2-2)!} \times \\
 &\times \frac{d^p}{dt'^l du'^{p-l}} (S_k + T_k + U_k) \frac{d^p}{dt'^l du'^{p-l}} (S_{n-k-1} + T_{n-k-1} + U_{n-k-1}) s^p [x(1-x)]^p t^l u^{p-l}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$t' = -xs, u' = -(1-x)s$$

Solution of Recurrence Relations

Starting point:

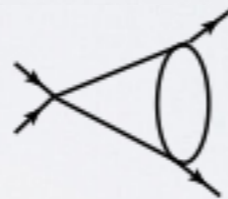


$$S_1 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Gamma(D/2 - 1)}{\Gamma(D - 2)} s^{D/2-2}, \quad \text{etc}$$



Use the recurrence relation

$$S_2 = \frac{1}{4} \frac{\Gamma(D/2 - 1)}{\Gamma(D - 2)} \left[\frac{\Gamma(D/2 - 1)}{\Gamma(D - 2)} + 2(-)^{D/2} \frac{\Gamma(D - 3)}{\Gamma(3D/2 - 4)} \right] s^{D-4}, \quad \text{etc}$$



Notice the difference with renormalizable theory: S_1 depends on kinematics!

To get S_2 one has to integrate T_1 and U_1 over the loop

This is exactly what we do in writing the recurrence relation

$$\frac{s^{D/2-2}}{\Gamma(D/2 - 1)} \int_0^1 dx [x(1-x)]^{D/2-2} (S_{n-1}(s, t', u') + T_{n-1}(s, t', u') + U_{n-1}(s, t', u'))$$

Differential Equation

Summing up the recurrence relation $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (-z)^n$ one gets the diff equation

$$\begin{aligned}
 -\frac{d\Gamma_s(s, t, u)}{dz} &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Gamma(D/2 - 1)}{\Gamma(D - 2)} s^{D/2-2} & \Gamma_s(z = 0) &= 0 \\
 + \frac{s^{D/2-2}}{\Gamma(D/2 - 1)} \int_0^1 dx [x(1-x)]^{D/2-2} & [\Gamma_s(s, t', u') + \Gamma_t(s, t', u') + \Gamma_u(s, t', u')] & \Big|_{\substack{t' = -xs, \\ u' = -(1-x)s}} & \\
 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{s^{D/2-2}}{\Gamma(D/2 - 1)} \int_0^1 dx [x(1-x)]^{D/2-2} & \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l=0}^p \frac{1}{p!(p + D/2 - 2)!} \times & \\
 \times \left(\frac{d^p}{dt'^l du'^{p-l}} (\Gamma_s + \Gamma_t + \Gamma_u) \Big|_{\substack{t' = -xs, \\ u' = -(1-x)s}} \right)^2 & s^p [x(1-x)]^p t^l u^{p-l} & &
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d\Gamma_s(s, t, u)}{d \log \mu^2} &= -\frac{\lambda}{2} \frac{s^{D/2-2}}{\Gamma(D/2 - 1)} \int_0^1 dx [x(1-x)]^{D/2-2} \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l=0}^p \frac{1}{p!(p + D/2 - 2)!} \times \\
 & \times \left(\frac{d^p \bar{\Gamma}_4(s, t', u')}{dt'^l du'^{p-l}} \Big|_{\substack{t' = -xs, \\ u' = -(1-x)s}} \right)^2 s^p [x(1-x)]^p t^l u^{p-l}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Gamma_s(\log \mu^2 = 0) = 0$$

Solution of RG Equation

$$D = 4$$

$$s \sim t \sim u \sim E^2$$

$$\frac{d\bar{\Gamma}_4}{d \log \mu^2} = -\lambda \frac{3}{2} \bar{\Gamma}_4^2, \quad \bar{\Gamma}_4(\log \mu^2 = 0) = 1 \quad \rightarrow \quad \bar{\Gamma}_4 = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{3}{2} \lambda \log(\mu^2 / E^2)}$$

General Solution for any D

$$\bar{\Gamma}_4(s, t, u) = \mathcal{P} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Gamma(D/2-1)}{\Gamma(D-2)} \lambda (s^{D/2-2} + t^{D/2-2} + u^{D/2-2}) \log(\mu^2 / E^2)}$$

\mathcal{P} is the symbol of ordering in a sense of recurrence relation

$$\Gamma_4(s, t, u) = \mathcal{P} \frac{\lambda}{1 + \lambda A_1^{(1)} \log(\mu^2 / E^2)} = \mathcal{P} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-\lambda)^n \log^n(\mu^2 / E^2) (A_1^{(1)})^n$$

$$\mathcal{P}(A_1^{(1)})^n = \int_0^1 dx \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \overrightarrow{\mathcal{P}(A_1^{(1)})^k} A_1^{(1)} \overleftarrow{\mathcal{P}(A_1^{(1)})^{n-1-k}},$$

Solution of RG Equation

To get S_2 for instance one has to take $s^{D/2-2}(s^{D/2-2} + t^{D/2-2} + u^{D/2-2})$ terms

and integrate s, t and u over the s-loop. This is exactly given by

$$S_2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{s^{D/2-2}}{\Gamma(D/2-1)} \int_0^1 dx [x(1-x)]^{D/2-2} (S_1(s, t', u') + T_1(s, t', u') + U_1(s, t', u')) \quad (*)$$

$$t' = -xs, u' = -(1-x)s.$$

To get S_3 one has to take $s^{D/2-2}(s^{D/2-2} + t^{D/2-2} + u^{D/2-2})^2$ terms

and integrate s, t and u over the s-loop. This is given by expr $(*)$ and by the terms

emerging when t and u come from the diagrams standing to the left and right of the s-channel one

$$S_3 = \frac{1}{3} \left[\frac{s^{D/2-2}}{\Gamma(D/2-1)} \int_0^1 dx [x(1-x)]^{D/2-2} (S_2(s, t', u') + T_2(s, t', u') + U_2(s, t', u')) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{2} \frac{s^{D/2-2}}{\Gamma(D/2-1)} \int_0^1 dx [x(1-x)]^{D/2-2} \sum_{p=0}^{(D/2-2)} \sum_{l=0}^p \frac{1}{p!(p+D/2-2)!} \right. \\ \left. \frac{d^p}{dt'^l du'^{p-l}} (S_1 + T_1 + U_1) \frac{d^p}{dt'^l du'^{p-l}} (S_1 + T_1 + U_1) s^p [x(1-x)]^p t^l u^{p-l} \right] \quad (**)$$

High Energy Behaviour of the scattering amplitude in ϕ_D^4 theory

$$\Gamma_4(s, t, u) = \mathcal{P} \frac{\lambda}{1 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Gamma(D/2-1)}{\Gamma(D-2)} \lambda (s^{D/2-2} + t^{D/2-2} + u^{D/2-2}) \log(\mu^2/E^2)}$$

$$s \sim t \sim u \sim E^2$$

$D = 4$ $3/2 > 0$ As a result one has a Landau pole as $E \rightarrow \infty$

$D = 6$ $s + t + u = 0$ All the leading divergences (logs) cancel in all loops

One can explicitly check that S_2 given above vanishes

$D = 8$ $s^2 + t^2 + u^2 > 0$ has a Landau pole as $E \rightarrow \infty$

$D = 10$ $s^3 + t^3 + u^3 = 3stu > 0$ $s > 0, t, u < 0$ has a Landau pole as $E \rightarrow \infty$

Conclusion: ϕ_D^4 has a Landau pole as $E \rightarrow \infty$