

Title: MERA for Relativistic QFTs

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Abstract: In this second presentation, we will revisit Feynman's first argument and discuss how it still strongly influences variational studies of relativistic field theories with MPS or cMPS. However, as we explain, this argument can be completely overcome by introducing different variational parameters for the different length scales in the system, a strategy that naturally results in the MERA for lattice systems, or its continuous version for field theories. We then illustrate how a cMERA representation for the ground state of free relativistic quantum field theories can be constructed and discuss the main properties of this representation.

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**Entanglement renormalization for
relativistic quantum field theories**

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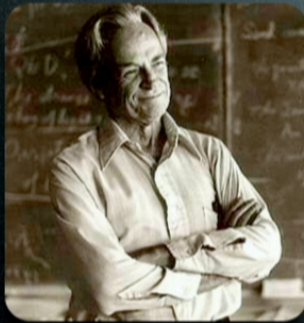
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Outline

- Revisiting Feynman's first argument
- cMERA construction for free relativistic field theories:
 - Dirac fermions in $(1+1)$ dimensions
 - Dirac fermions in $(3+1)$ dimensions
 - Klein-Gordon bosons in $(d+1)$ dimensions

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Revisiting Feynman's first argument

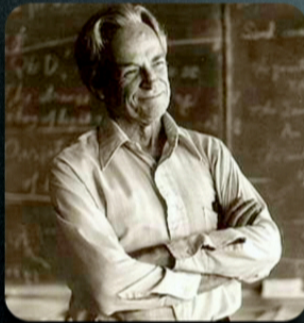


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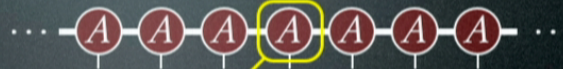


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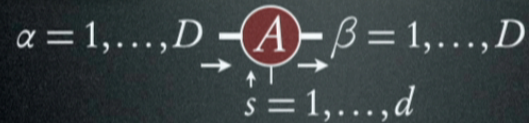
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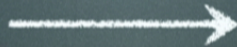


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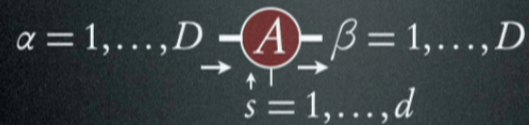


Revisiting Feynman's first argument

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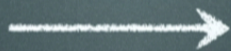
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$$\alpha = 1, \dots, D \quad \overset{\text{A}}{\underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ s = 1, \dots, d}}{\rightarrow}} \quad \beta = 1, \dots, D$$

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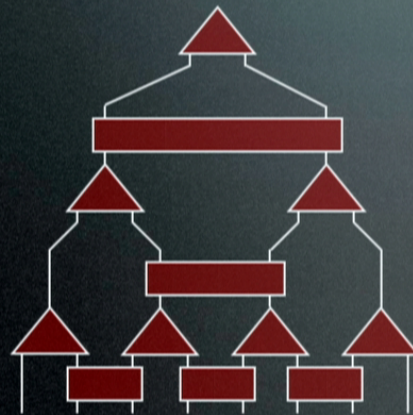


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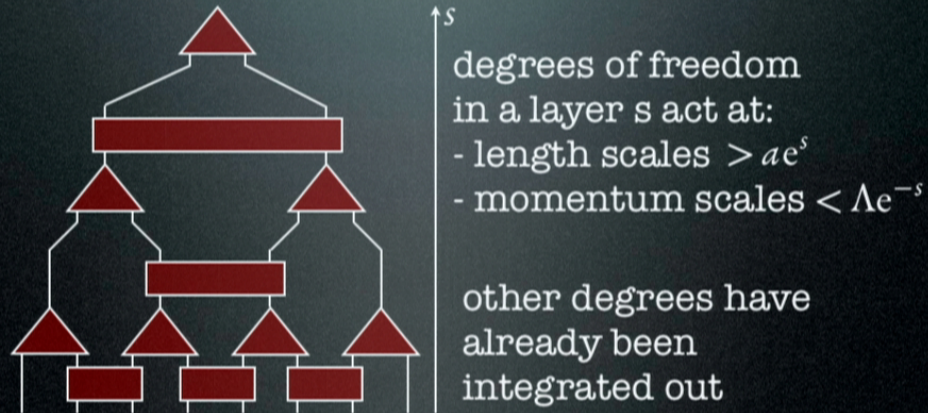
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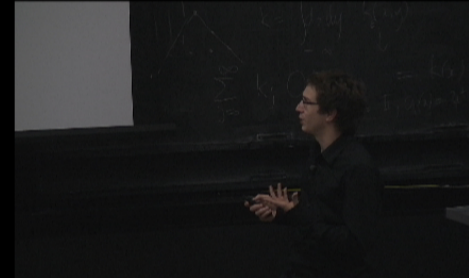


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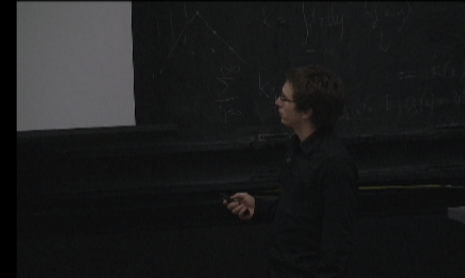
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scaling operator with scaling dimension λ

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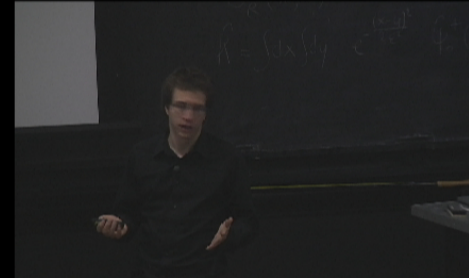
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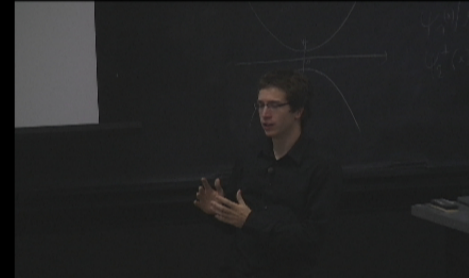
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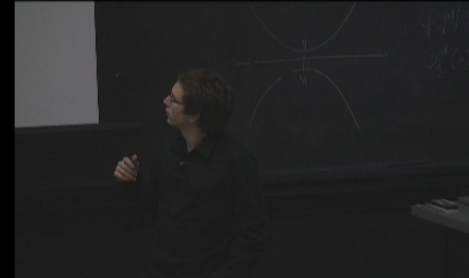
Choose $s_\epsilon = 0$:

$$\hat{\Psi}_{1,R}(p) = \cos(f(p; s)) e^{s/2} \hat{\Psi}_{1,R}(e^s p) \\ - i \sin(f(p; s)) e^{s/2} \hat{\Psi}_{2,R}(e^s p)$$

$$\hat{\Psi}_{2,R}(p) = \cos(f(p; s)) e^{s/2} \hat{\Psi}_{2,R}(e^s p) \\ - i \sin(f(p; s)) e^{s/2} \hat{\Psi}_{1,R}(e^s p)$$

$$\text{with } f(p; s) = \int_{s_\epsilon}^s d\omega g(e^\omega p; \omega)$$

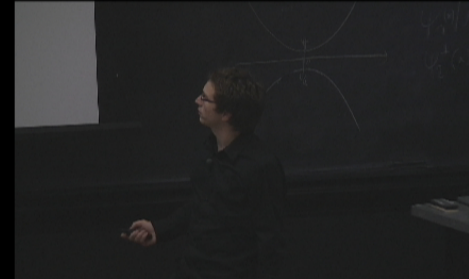
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cMERA constructions: free fermions in (1+1)

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H}_R(s) = e^{-s} \int dp & \left[-p \sin(2f(e^{-s} p; s)) + m e^s \cos(2f(e^{-s} p; s)) \right] \\ & \times \left[\hat{\Psi}_1^\dagger(p) \hat{\Psi}_1(p) - \hat{\Psi}_2^\dagger(p) \hat{\Psi}_2(p) \right] \\ & - i \left[p \cos(2f(e^{-s} p; s)) + m e^s \sin(2f(e^{-s} p; s)) \right] \\ & \times \left[\hat{\Psi}_1^\dagger(p) \hat{\Psi}_2(p) - \hat{\Psi}_2^\dagger(p) \hat{\Psi}_1(p) \right] \end{aligned}$$

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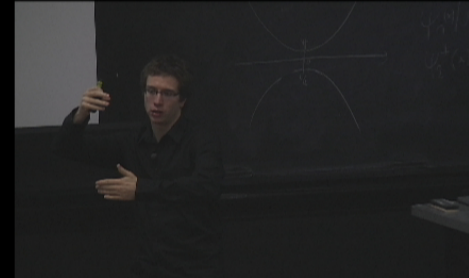
$$\chi(s) = -\frac{1}{2} \arcsin \left[\frac{e^{-s}}{\sqrt{m^2/\Lambda^2 + e^{-2s}}} \right] + \frac{e^{-s} m/\Lambda}{2(m^2/\Lambda^2 + e^{-2s})}$$

$$-\delta(s) \frac{1}{2} \arcsin \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{m^2/\Lambda^2 + 1}} \right]$$

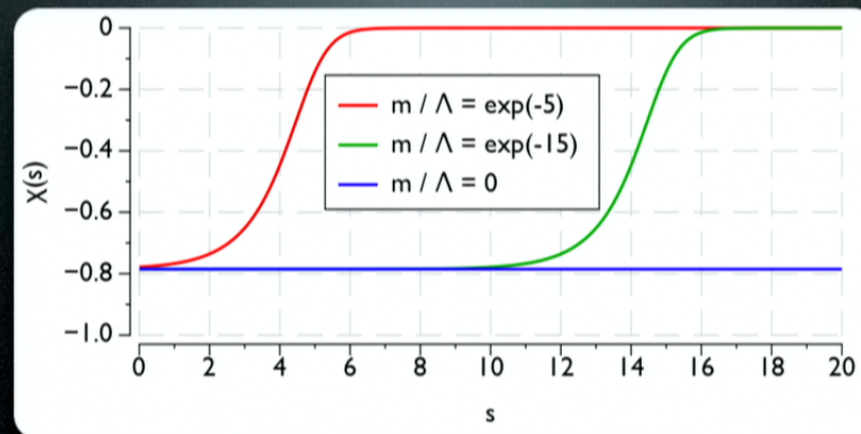
Artefact of:

- sharp momentum cutoff
- freedom to have unbounded K
- non-regularized Hamiltonian

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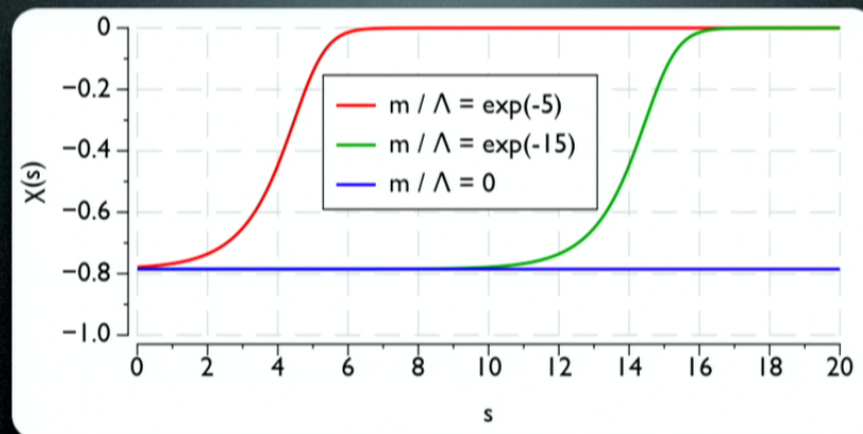
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Fixed point Hamiltonians:

- critical case: ($m = 0$)

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \hat{H}_R(s) = e^{-s} \int dp |p| [\hat{\psi}_1^\dagger(p) \hat{\psi}_1(p) - \hat{\psi}_2^\dagger(p) \hat{\psi}_2(p)]$$

- non-critical case: ($m \neq 0$)

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \hat{H}_R(s) = \int dp m [\hat{\psi}_1^\dagger(p) \hat{\psi}_1(p) - \hat{\psi}_2^\dagger(p) \hat{\psi}_2(p)]$$

Note that $\hat{\psi}_1(p) |\Omega\rangle = \hat{\psi}_2^\dagger(p) |\Omega\rangle = 0, \forall p \in \mathbb{R}$

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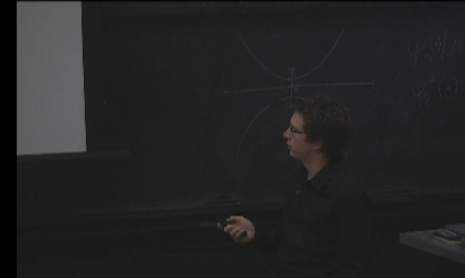
cMERA constructions: free fermions in (3+1)

Symmetry for K :

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{K}(s) &= i \int dp^1 \int dp^2 \int dp^3 \chi(s) \Gamma\left(\frac{|p|}{\Lambda}\right) \frac{\vec{p}}{\Lambda} \cdot (\hat{\Psi}^\dagger(p) \vec{\gamma} \hat{\Psi}(p)) \\ &= \frac{i}{2} \int dp^1 \int dp^2 \int dp^3 \chi(s) \Gamma\left(\frac{|p|}{\Lambda}\right) \frac{p_i}{\Lambda} \hat{\Psi}(p) \sigma^{0i} \hat{\Psi}(p)\end{aligned}$$

- translation invariant
- rotation invariant
- Lorentz covariant: zero-component of a 4-vector

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cMERA constructions: free bosons in (d+1)

Non-relativistic bosons:

$$\hat{\psi}(x), \hat{\psi}^\dagger(x) \rightarrow \text{scaling dimensions: } d/2$$

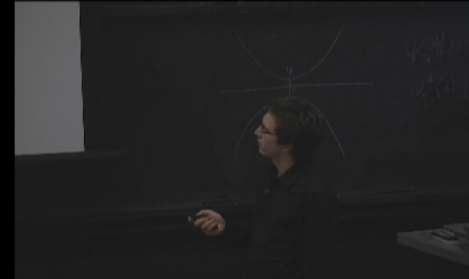
Relativistic bosons:

$$\hat{\phi}(\vec{x}) \sim \hat{\psi}(\vec{x}) + \hat{\psi}^\dagger(\vec{x}) \rightarrow (d-1)/2$$

$$\hat{\pi}(\vec{x}) \sim \hat{\psi}(\vec{x}) - \hat{\psi}^\dagger(\vec{x}) \rightarrow (d+1)/2$$

which \hat{L} ?

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cMERA constructions: free bosons in (d+1)

Use non-relativistic L:

$$\hat{L} = -\frac{1}{2} \int d^d x \left[\hat{\pi}(\vec{x}) \vec{x} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \hat{\phi}(\vec{x}) + \vec{x} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \hat{\phi}(\vec{x}) \hat{\pi}(\vec{x}) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{d}{2} \hat{\phi}(\vec{x}) \hat{\pi}(\vec{x}) + \frac{d}{2} \hat{\pi}(\vec{x}) \hat{\phi}(\vec{x}) \right]$$

Use zero-component of 4-vector K:

$$\hat{K}(s) = \int d^d p \frac{1}{2} g(\vec{p}; s) \left[\hat{\Phi}(\vec{p}) \hat{\Pi}(-\vec{p}) + \hat{\Pi}(-\vec{p}) \hat{\Phi}(\vec{p}) \right]$$

$$\text{with } g(\vec{p}; s) = \chi(s) \Gamma(\|\vec{p}\|/\Lambda)$$

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cMERA constructions: free bosons in (d+1)

Solution:

$$\chi(s) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{e^{-2s}}{e^{-2s} + (m/\Lambda)^2}$$

⇒ restores relativistic scaling dimensions
in the critical case $m = 0$

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Conclusions

- ▶ cMERA are perfectly suited to study relativistic theories
- ▶ **Range between IR and UV cutoff can be arbitrarily large**: Feynman's sensitivity to high frequencies does not appear!
- ▶ Great **flexibility** and freedom
- ▶ **Interacting theories is a priority !**

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