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Abstract:

# Yang-Mills Theory: Perturbation Theory & Renormalization

SU(2) Gauge Theory

Dirac Field

Feynman Gauge

Ghost Fields

Grassman but

Spin 0

$$\partial_\mu A_\mu^a = \epsilon_a$$

average over  $\epsilon_a$

$$A = \left\{ A_\mu^a ; a=1,2,3 \right\} \leftarrow \text{Adj Repr}$$

$$\Psi = \left\{ \Psi_\alpha^i ; i=1,2 \leftarrow \text{Fund Repr.} \right. \\ \left. \alpha=1,4 \leftarrow \text{Dirac} \right\}$$

$$\bar{\Psi}$$

$$C = \left\{ C^a ; a=1,3 \right\}$$

$$\bar{C} = \left\{ \bar{C}_a ; a=1,3 \right\}$$

# Theory & Renormalization

2,3 } Adj Repr  
1,2 ← Fund Repr.  
1,4 ← Dirac  
3 }  
3 }

$$S_{YM} = -\frac{1}{2g^2} \int d^4x F_{\mu\nu}^a F_a^{\mu\nu}$$

$$S_{\text{gauge fixing}} = -\frac{1}{2\xi} \int d^4x (\partial_\mu A_a^\mu \partial_\nu A_a^\nu)$$

$$S_{\text{GHOSTS}} = \int d^4x \bar{c}_a \delta_b^a (-\Delta) c^b + \epsilon_{abc} \partial^\mu \bar{c}_a \cdot A_\mu^b \cdot c^c$$

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$$= \int d^4x \bar{c} \cdot \partial_\mu \overline{D}^\mu c$$

T<sub>a</sub> Pauli Matrix

$$S_{\text{Dirac}} = \int d^4x \bar{\Psi} (i\not{D} - m) \Psi =$$

$$= \int d^4x \bar{\Psi}_i^\alpha \left[ (i\gamma^\mu)_\alpha^\beta \delta_{ij} \left( \partial_\mu - i \frac{g_a}{2} \gamma_5 T_a^B \right) A_\mu^a(x) - m \delta_\alpha^\beta \delta_{ij} \right] \Psi_j^\beta$$

m

$$\int d^4x F_{\mu\nu}^a F_a^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\int d^4x (\partial_\mu A_a^\mu \partial_\nu A_a^\nu)$$

$$\int d^4x \left[ \bar{c}_a \delta_b^a (-\Delta) c^b + \epsilon_{abc} \partial^\mu \bar{c}_a \cdot A_\mu^b \cdot c^c \right]$$

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$\epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda} = \epsilon_a$   
 average on  $\epsilon_a$

ghost fields  
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$$S_{\text{GHOSTS}} = \int d^4x [C_a \delta_b (-\Delta) C^b + \epsilon_{abc} C^a C^b C^c]$$

$$= \int d^4x \bar{C} \cdot \partial_\mu D^\mu C$$

$$Z = \int D[A] D[C, \bar{C}] D[\bar{\Psi}, \Psi] \exp(i(S_{\text{SYM}}[A] + S_{\text{FIXING}}[A] + S_{\text{GHOSTS}}[A, C, \bar{C}] + S_{\text{DIRAC}}[\bar{\Psi}, \Psi, A]))$$

$$\langle \Omega | T(\text{operators}) | \Omega \rangle = \frac{\int D[\text{Fields}] \exp(i A c h a) (\text{operators})}{Z}$$

Perturbation Theory = expansion in  $g^2$ ;  $\leftrightarrow$  orth :  $A_\mu^a \rightarrow g A_\mu^a$

gauge field propagator

$$\text{wavy} = G_{\mu\nu}^{ab}(k) \approx \langle A_\mu^a(x) A_\nu^b(y) \rangle_0$$

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$T_a$  Pauli Matrix

$$-\frac{1}{2g^2} \int d^4x F_{\mu\nu}^a F_a^{\mu\nu}$$

$$g = -\frac{1}{2\xi} \int d^4x (\partial_\mu A_\alpha^\mu \partial_\nu A_\alpha^\nu)$$

$$= \int d^4x [\bar{c}_a \delta_b^a (-\Delta) c^b + \epsilon_{abc} \partial^\lambda \bar{c}_a \cdot A_\mu^b \cdot c^c]$$

$$= \int d^4x \bar{c} \cdot \partial_\mu \overline{D}^\mu c$$

$$F_{\mu\nu} = g \partial_\mu A_\nu - g \partial_\nu A_\mu + ig^2 [A, A]$$

$$S_{\text{Dirac}} + S_{\text{Ghosts}} + S_{\text{Gauge}} + S_{\text{Feynman}} + S_{\text{Faddeev-Popov}} + S_{\text{ghosts}} + S_{\text{Dirac}} + S_{\text{Feynman}} + S_{\text{Faddeev-Popov}} + S_{\text{ghosts}}$$

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Perturbation Theory = expansion in  $g^2$ ;  $\leftrightarrow$  or  $\hbar$  :  $A_\mu^a \rightarrow g A_\mu^a$  linearized terms  
 gauge field propagator one of order 1

$$a \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{k} \\ \mu \end{array} \text{wavy} \begin{array}{c} \\ \nu \end{array} b = G_{\mu\nu}^{ab}(k) \approx \langle A_\mu^a(x) A_\nu^b(y) \rangle_0 = \int \frac{ab}{k^2 - i\epsilon_+} \left( h_{\mu\nu} + (\xi - 1) \frac{k_\mu k_\nu}{k^2} \right) \quad \begin{array}{l} k^2 = -E^2 + \vec{k}^2 \\ (-, +, +, +) \end{array}$$



Fermion charge  
 $\psi = \psi_a$   
 Ghost Fields  
 Grassman but  
 Spin 0

$$\begin{aligned}
 C &= \{C^a; a=1,2,3\} \\
 \bar{C} &= \{\bar{C}_a; a=1,2,3\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_{\text{GHOSTS}} &= \int d^4x [\bar{C}_a S_b (-\Delta) C^b + \epsilon_{abc} \partial^\mu \bar{C}_a \cdot A_\mu^b \cdot C^c] \\
 &= \int d^4x \bar{C} \cdot \partial_\mu D^\mu C
 \end{aligned}$$

$$Z = \int \mathcal{D}[A] \mathcal{D}[C, \bar{C}] \mathcal{D}[\bar{\Psi}, \Psi] \exp(i(S_{\text{YM}}[A] + S_{\text{GHOSTS}}[A, C, \bar{C}] + S_{\text{DIRAC}}[\bar{\Psi}, \Psi, A]))$$

$$\langle \Omega | T(\text{operators}) | \Omega \rangle = \frac{\int \mathcal{D}[\text{Fields}] \exp(i \int \mathcal{L}(\text{fields})) (\text{operators})}{Z}$$

$g =$  charge of gauge bosons & fermions  $= e$  in QED  
 (redefinition of  $A_\mu$ ) and also the coupling constant

Perturbation Theory = expansion in  $g^2$ ,  $\leftrightarrow \alpha_{th}$ .  $A_\mu^a \rightarrow g A_\mu^a$   
 gauge field propagator linearized terms one of order 1

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mu \xrightarrow{k} \nu &= G_{\mu\nu}^{ab}(k) = \langle A_\mu^a(x) A_\nu^b(y) \rangle_0 = \int \frac{ab}{k^2 - i\epsilon_+} \left( h_{\mu\nu} + (\xi - 1) \frac{k_\mu k_\nu}{k^2} \right) \\
 k^2 &= -E^2 + \vec{k}^2 \quad \text{metric of space-time} \\
 &(-, +, +, +) \quad h_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\exp(i(S_{\text{YM}}[A] + S_{\text{G-FIXING}}[A] + S_{\text{GHOSTS}}[A, c, \bar{c}] + S_{\text{Dirac}}[\psi, \bar{\psi}, A]))$$

$\exp(i A c a)$  (operators)

$g =$  charge of gauge bosons & fermions  $= e$  in QED  
and also the coupling constant

$g^2: \leftrightarrow \alpha \hbar : A_{\mu}^a \rightarrow g A_{\mu}^a$

(redefinition of  $A_{\mu}$ )  
linearized terms  
are of order 1

$\xi$  is a free parameter (gauge fixing)  
metric of space-time

$$\langle A_{\nu}^b(y) \rangle_0 = \int^{ab} \frac{-i}{k^2 - i\epsilon_+} \left( h_{\mu\nu} + (\xi - 1) \frac{k_{\mu} k_{\nu}}{k^2} \right)$$

$$k^2 = -E^2 + \vec{k}^2$$

$(-, +, +, +)$

$$h_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Ghosts  $a \xrightarrow{k} \cdots b = \langle C^a(x) \bar{C}^b(y) \rangle_0$

$$= \delta_{ab} \frac{-i}{k^2 - i\epsilon_+}$$

Dirac Propagator

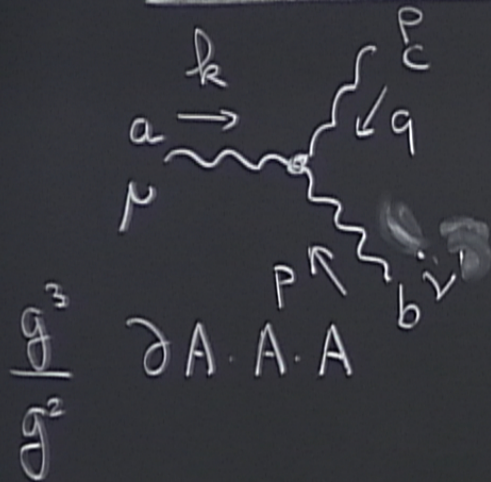
$$i \begin{matrix} \cdot \\ \alpha \end{matrix} \longrightarrow \begin{matrix} \cdot \\ \beta \end{matrix} j = \langle \psi_{\alpha}^i(x) \bar{\psi}_{\beta}^j(y) \rangle_0$$

$$= \delta^{ij} \int_x \text{Dirac propagator}$$

as in QED

QED  
 ing constant  
 gauge fixing)  
 space-time  
 $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

# Interaction vertices



$$g \epsilon_{abc} \left( h^{\mu\nu} (k-p)^\rho + h^{\nu\rho} (p-q)^\mu + h^{\rho\mu} (q-k)^\nu \right)$$

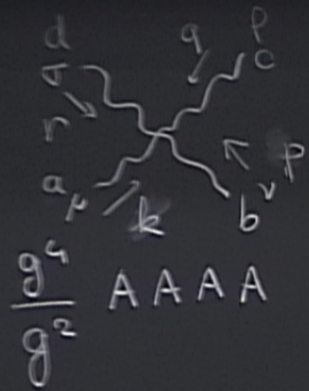
$\uparrow$   
 $SU(2)$

polarization-momentum

$a, b, c = 1, 2, 3$  gauge indices

$\mu, \nu, \rho = 1, \dots, 4$  Lorentz indices

$k, p, q$  4-momenta  $k+p+q=0$



$$= g^2 (-i) \left[ \begin{aligned} & \epsilon_{abe} \epsilon_{cde} (h^{\mu\rho} h^{\nu\sigma} - h^{\mu\sigma} h^{\nu\rho}) \\ & + \epsilon_{ace} \epsilon_{bde} (h^{\mu\nu} h^{\rho\sigma} - h^{\mu\sigma} h^{\nu\rho}) \\ & + \epsilon_{ade} \epsilon_{bce} (h^{\mu\nu} h^{\rho\sigma} - h^{\mu\sigma} h^{\nu\rho}) \end{aligned} \right]$$

$$\epsilon_{ace} \epsilon_{bde} = \delta_{ab} \delta_{ce} - \delta_{ad} \delta_{bc} \quad \text{für } SU(2)$$

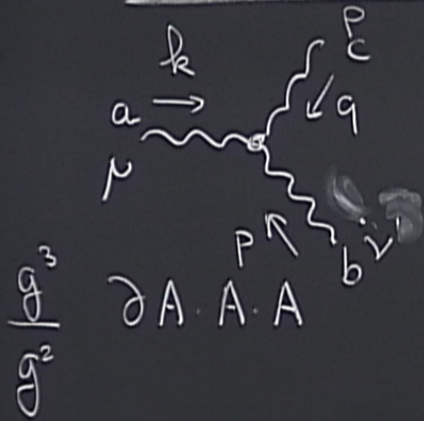
$$a, b, c, d = 1, 2, 3$$

$$\mu, \nu, \rho, \sigma = 1, \dots, 4$$

$k, p, q, r$  4-momenta

# Interaction vertices

3 gauge bosons interaction



$$g \epsilon_{abc} \left( h^{\mu\nu} (k-p)^\rho + h^{\nu\rho} (p-q)^\mu + h^{\rho\mu} (q-k)^\nu \right)$$

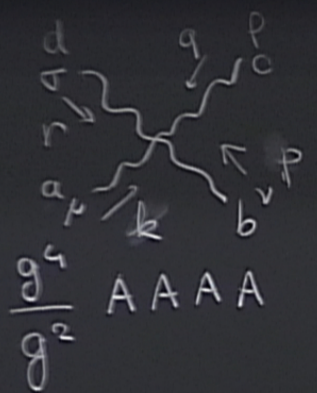
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4 gauge boson interaction

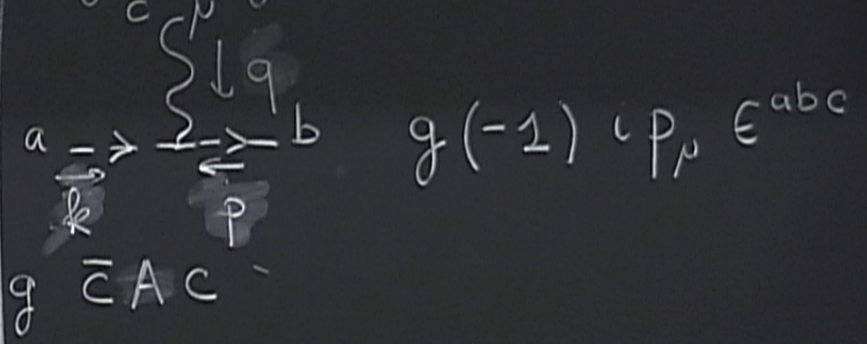
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$$\epsilon_{ace} \epsilon_{bde} = \delta_{ab} \delta_{ce} - \delta_{ad} \delta_{bc} \text{ for } SU(2)$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \epsilon_{cde} (h^{\mu\rho} h^{\nu\sigma} - h^{\mu\sigma} h^{\nu\rho}) \\ \epsilon_{bde} (h^{\mu\nu} h^{\rho\sigma} - h^{\mu\sigma} h^{\nu\rho}) \\ \epsilon_{bce} (h^{\mu\nu} h^{\rho\sigma} - h^{\mu\sigma} h^{\nu\rho}) \end{array} \right]$$

$$ab \delta_{ce} - \delta_{ad} \delta_{bc} \text{ for } SU(2)$$

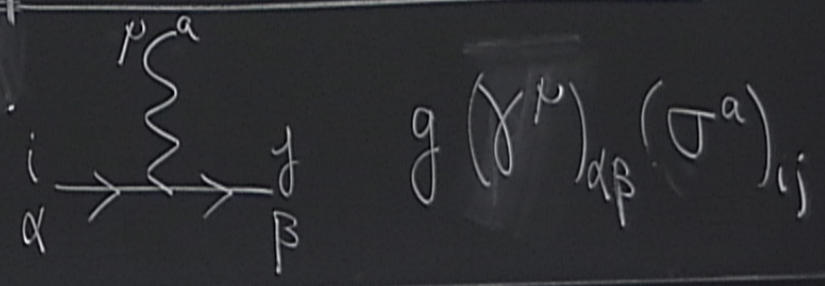
ghost-gauge boson interaction



$$k + p + q = 0$$

$\bar{\Psi} A \Psi$  term

Dirac-gauge boson interaction

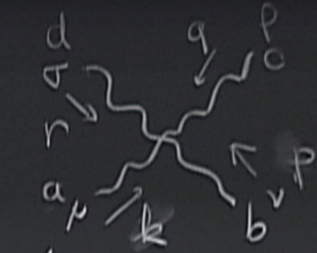




interaction

$$(-q)^\mu + h^{\rho\rho} (q-k)^\nu$$

momentum



$$\frac{g^4}{g^2} A A A A$$

$$a, b, c, d = 1, 2, 3$$

$$\mu, \nu, \rho, \sigma = 1, \dots, 4$$

k, p, q, r 4-momenta

charges: SU(2) charges

4 gauge boson interaction

$$= g^2 (-i)$$

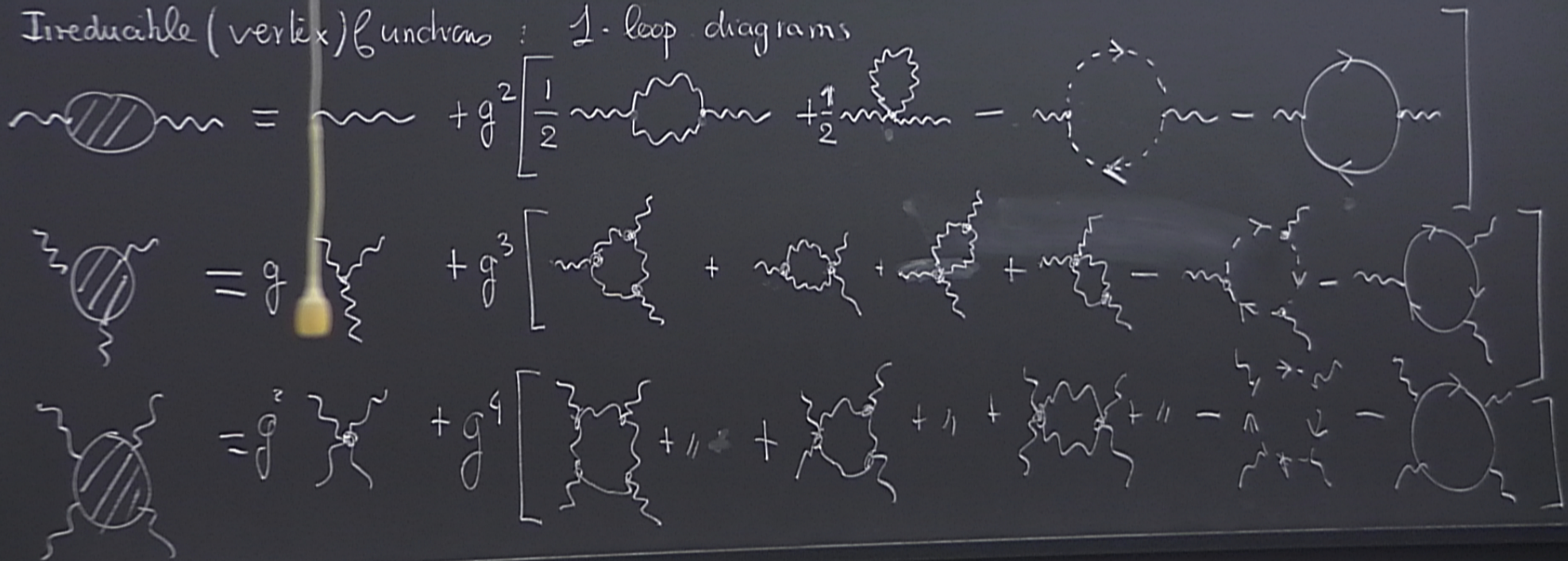
$$\left[ \begin{aligned} & \epsilon_{abe} \epsilon_{cde} (h^{\mu\rho} h^{\nu\sigma} - h^{\mu\sigma} h^{\nu\rho}) \\ & + \epsilon_{ace} \epsilon_{bde} (h^{\mu\nu} h^{\rho\sigma} - h^{\mu\sigma} h^{\nu\rho}) \\ & + \epsilon_{ade} \epsilon_{bce} (h^{\mu\nu} h^{\rho\sigma} - h^{\mu\sigma} h^{\nu\rho}) \end{aligned} \right]$$

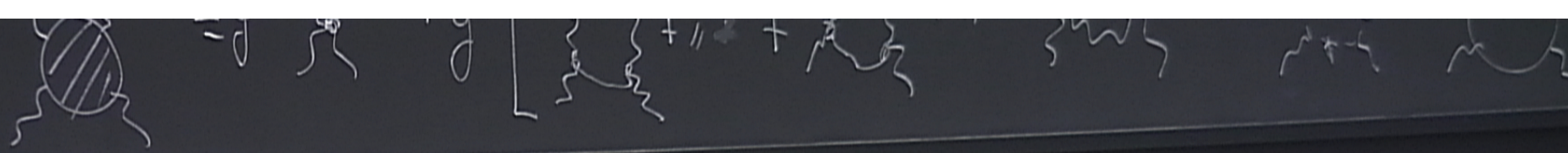
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Peskin-Schroeder Book

$\bar{\Psi} A \Psi$   
Dirac-gauge interaction

Irreducible (vertex) functions : 1-loop diagrams





$$\text{ghost loop} = g \left[ \text{ghost loop with wavy line} + \text{ghost loop with ghost loop} - \text{ghost loop with circle} \right]$$

ghosts

$$\text{ghost vertex} = \text{ghost vertex} + g^2 \text{ghost loop with wavy line}$$

$$\text{ghost vertex with wavy line} = g \text{ghost vertex with wavy line} + g^3 \left[ \text{ghost loop with wavy line} + \text{ghost loop with ghost loop} \right]$$

Fermions

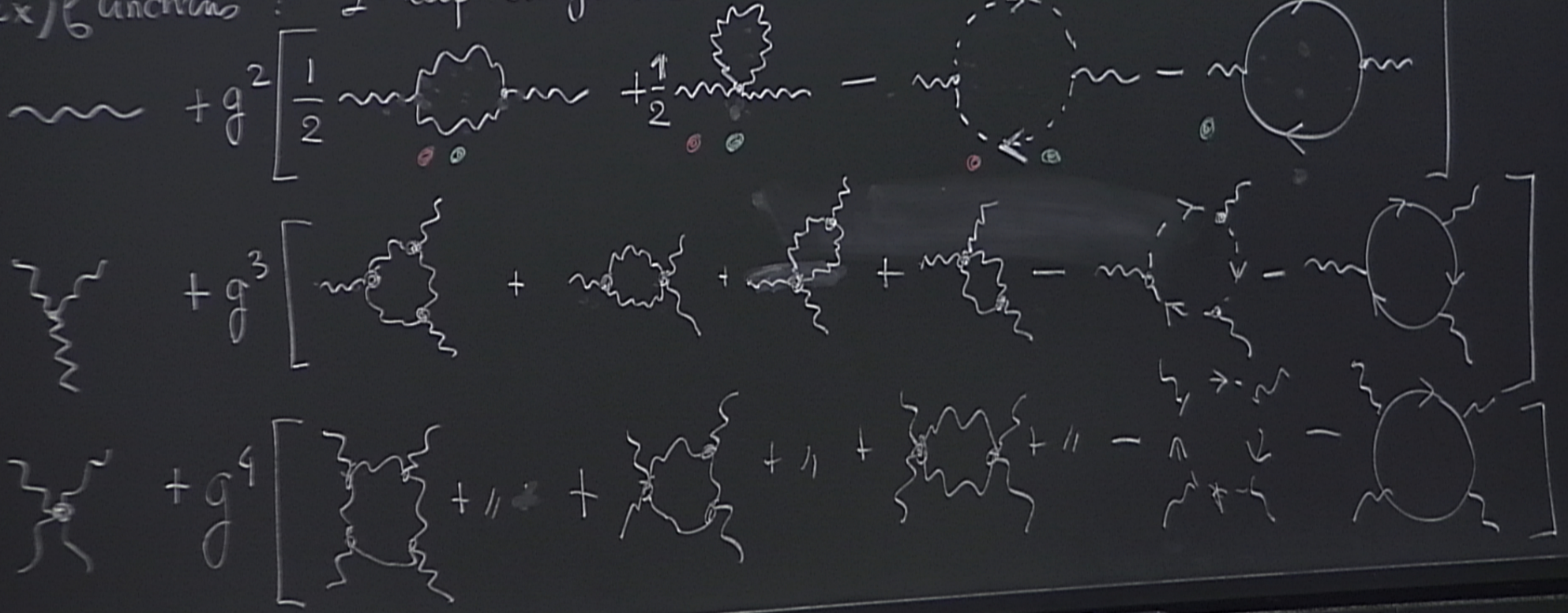
$$\text{Feynman diagram with ghost loop} = \text{Feynman diagram with ghost loop}$$

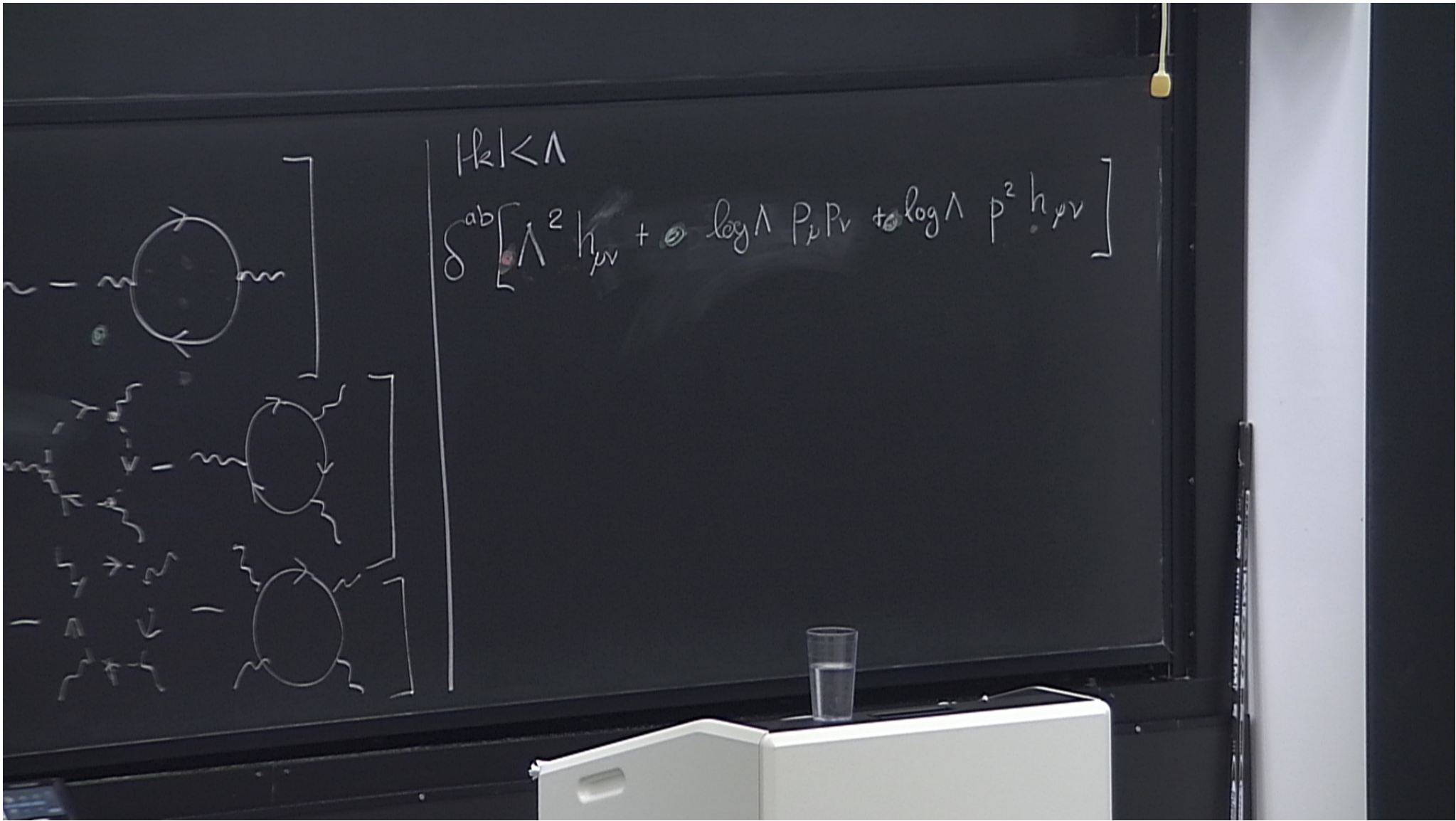
UV-divergences and renormalization.

$\text{wavy line} \rightarrow \sim \frac{1}{k^2}$  ← of course  
 $\text{arrow} \rightarrow \sim \frac{1}{k}$



Ex)  $\beta$  functions : 1-loop diagrams





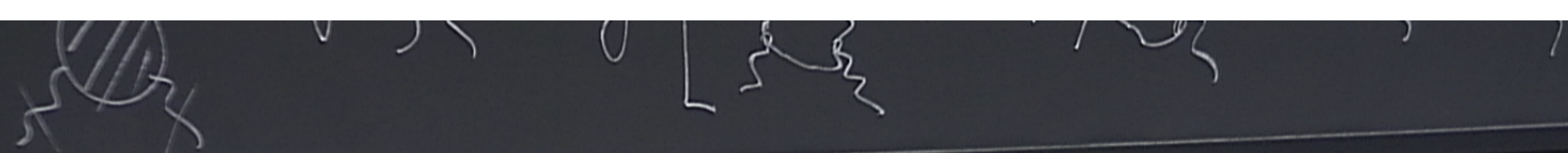


$|k| < \Lambda$

$$\delta^{ab} \left[ \Lambda^2 h_{\mu\nu} + \mathcal{O}(\log \Lambda) P_\mu P_\nu + \mathcal{O}(\log \Lambda) p^2 h_{\mu\nu} \right]$$

$$\mathcal{O}(\Lambda) + \mathcal{O}(\log \Lambda) p^\mu$$

$\log \Lambda$



ghosts

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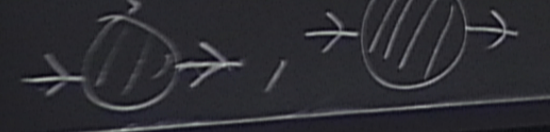
$$\int d^4k \frac{k_0^2}{k^2 + m^2}$$

log  $\Lambda$

$$\text{ghost loop} = \text{ghost loop} + g^2 \text{ghost loop} + \dots \log p$$

$$\text{ghost loop} = g \text{ghost loop} + g^3 \left[ \text{ghost loop} + \text{ghost loop} \right] \rightarrow \Lambda + p \log \Lambda$$

Fermions





$\log \Lambda$  diverges as in  $\phi^4$  theory of QED :  $[g]$  dimension = 0  
dangerous  $\Lambda$  or  $\Lambda^2$  divergences

$$\frac{1}{g^2} \int d^4x F_{\mu\nu}^a F_{\mu\nu}^a$$

$$F_{\mu\nu}^a = \partial_\mu A_\nu^a - \partial_\nu A_\mu^a + i \epsilon_{abc} A_\mu^b A_\nu^c$$

$$[A] = [\partial_\mu] = (\text{length})^{-1} = (\text{mass})^1$$

$$[F] = (\text{length})^{-2}$$

$$[g] \text{ dimension } (\text{length})^0$$

log divergence as in  $\psi^4$  theory of QED :  $[g]$  dimension = 0

dangerous  $\Lambda$  or  $\Lambda^2$  divergences

$$\int \frac{d^4 k}{k^2} = \log \Lambda$$

(conformal invariance)

YM  $d=4$  Scale invariance Classically

$$A_\mu^a(x) \rightarrow \lambda A_\mu^a(\lambda x) \quad \lambda \text{ global factor}$$

$$S_{\text{YM}}[A_\lambda] = S_{\text{YM}}[A]$$

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$$[g] \text{ dimension } [\text{length}]^0$$



UV-divergences and renormalization.

no  $\Lambda^2$  and  $\Lambda$  divergences

Relations between the  $\log \Lambda$  divergences

$\Rightarrow$  gauge invariance  $p_\mu \left( \text{tadpole diagram} \right)^{\mu\nu} = 0$

otherwise unphysical polarization states propagate, as in QED

$$A_1 \log \Lambda (\partial A \partial A) + A_2 \log \Lambda (\partial A A \cdot A) + A_3 \log \Lambda (A \cdot A \cdot A \cdot A)$$

$\Rightarrow$  counterterms: not gauge invariant

Ren

Renormalize the theory in a gauge invariant way:  $[c] \approx (\text{length})^{-1}$

way:

- possible at 1 loop 't Hooft 72

- proof Lee-Zinn Justin 73 or 74

- Algebraic Formalism BRST formalism  $\Leftrightarrow$  CFT & String Theory

to  $\Lambda^2$  &  $\Lambda$  divergences

Log  $\Lambda$  divergences are consistent

Renormalize the theory in a gauge invariant way:  $[c] \approx (\text{length})^{-1}$

- possible at 1 loop 't Hooft 72, Gross-Wilczek, Politzer

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1 coupling constant

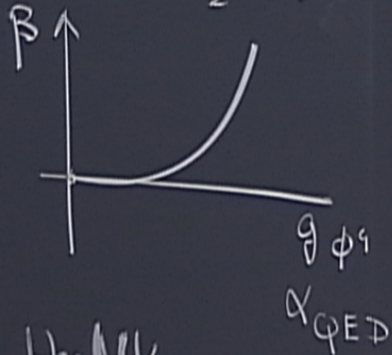
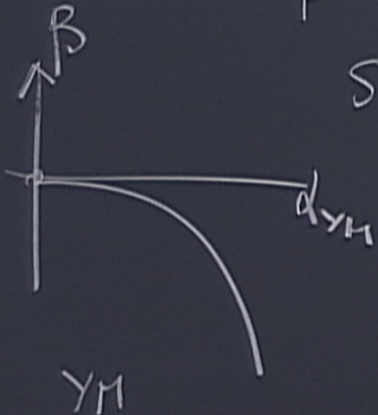
$$\alpha_{\text{YM}} = g^2$$

# Beta Function

$$\beta(\alpha_{YM}) = \alpha_{YM}^2 \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left( -\frac{11}{3} C_2(G) \right)$$

$$F^{acd} F^{bcd} = C_2(G) \delta^{ab}$$

$$SU(N) \Rightarrow C_2(G) = N$$



Asymptotically Free in the UV

$g_{eff}(E) \rightarrow 0$  as  $\frac{1}{\log(E)}$  when energy  $E \rightarrow \infty$

- Parton Model
- Strongly interacting theory at low energies - confinement.