

Title: Renormalization and Effective Field Theory - Lecture 6

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Abstract:

RG flow for  $\phi^4$  theory

$C$  coupling constant

- We saw

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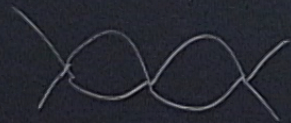
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 Change of scheme

RG flow is a v. field  $c \rightarrow c + f_2(\hbar)c^2 + f_3(\hbar)c^3 + \dots$

$$\hbar c^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial c} + \hbar^2 c^3 \frac{\partial}{\partial c} + \dots$$





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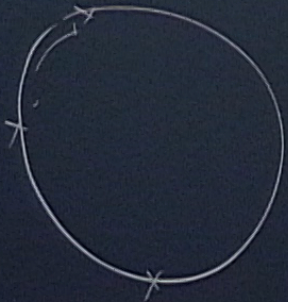
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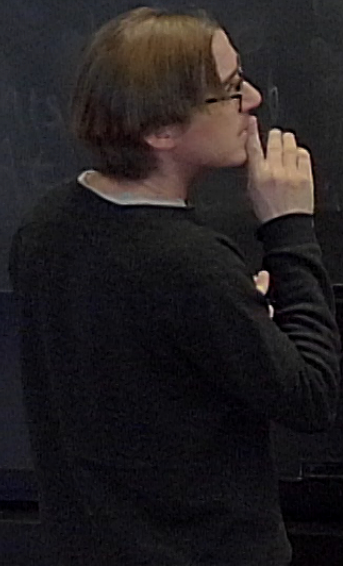
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2d Scalar theories

$\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_n$  scalar fields  
 $\int \varphi_i \Delta \varphi_i = \int d\varphi_i \wedge d\varphi_i$  is scale invariant even if

$\varphi_i$  are of  $\dim^n \mathbb{O}$   
Most general  $SO(2)$  and scale invariant Lagrangian



$$\int g^{ij}(\vec{\phi}) d\phi_i \wedge d\phi_j$$

$g^{ij}$  is some function of  $\vec{\phi}$

View  $\vec{\phi}$  as a map  $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

is the  $\sigma$ -model for some metric  $g$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$

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We find

Scale-invariant classical Lagrangians

≥ all metrics on  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$\infty$  of manifold of theories  $\{I_\lambda[L]\}$  where  $I_\lambda[L]$  has log-growth at  $\lambda=0, \lambda=\infty$



Things are better if we take  $\sigma$ -model

$$\sigma: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow X$$

where  $X$  is a homogeneous space for some Lie group

Best  $X =$  Riemannian symmetric space

e.g.  $H^n$ ,  $S^n$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^n$

there is  $|$   $G$ -inv. metric up to scale.



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$$R^{ij}(p) = \left( \sum \partial_{x^k} \partial_{x^l} g^{ij} \right)(p)$$



Compute one-loop  $\beta$ -fn:

$$\int d\varphi' d\varphi + \varphi^a e^{-\int (d\varphi' \wedge d\varphi)} R_{ijkl} + \dots$$

$$\text{Propagator} = \int_{t=\varepsilon}^L t^{-1} e^{-\|y\|^2/t} dt$$

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classical Lagrangians

metrics on  $\mathbb{R}^n$



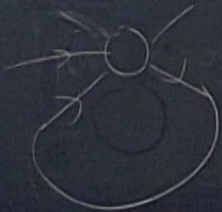
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$$\phi_i \omega_j \phi_k (d\phi_L \dots d\phi_m)$$

One loop log divergent diagrams:



$$\sim \left( \int_{t=\epsilon}^L t^{-1} dy e^{-\|y\|^2/t} \right)_{y=0}$$

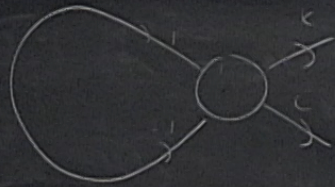


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$$R^{\mu\nu\kappa\lambda} \int d^4x \dots$$

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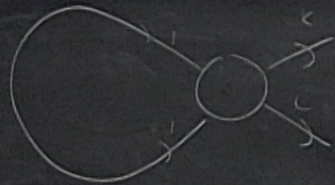


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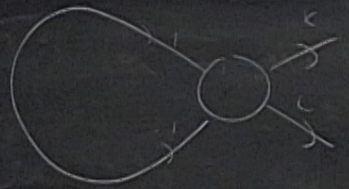
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1st one-loop log divergence

$$= R^{kl}(p) \int d\varphi^k \dots d\varphi^l \log \epsilon$$

So, one-loop RG flow sends

$$g^{ij} \rightarrow g^{ij} + \beta R^{ij}(p) + \dots$$



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Finite number of scale-inv. Lagrangians! Good



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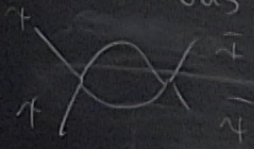


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