

Title: Generalized Wetterich equations on Lorentzian manifolds

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Abstract: In this talk I will present the recent results of my work with Edoardo d'Angelo, Nicolo Drago and Nicola Pinamonti. Using the methods of perturbative algebraic quantum field theory, we have formulated new flow equations on Lorentzian spacetimes that work for arbitrary states (not only the vacuum) and in Minkowski vacuum reduce to Wetterich equations. This has potential applications to the asymptotic safety approach to quantum gravity.

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Generalized Wettench equations on Lorentzian m.f.d.s
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-) FRG in Lorentzian signature, on curved backgrounds, in arbitrary states.
-) ... asymptotic safety.

perturbative AQFT

$\mathcal{O} \xrightarrow{M}$

$\sigma(\mathcal{O})$

{ formal power series in \hbar } \ast -algebras of observables

*) $\mathcal{O}_1 \subset \mathcal{O}_2 \Rightarrow \sigma(\mathcal{O}_1) \subset \sigma(\mathcal{O}_2)$

*) $[\sigma(\mathcal{O}_1), \sigma(\mathcal{O}_2)] = \{0\}$, $\mathcal{O}_1 \times \mathcal{O}_2$ spacelike



states: positive, normalised functional



perturbative (AQFT)

$\mathcal{O} \mapsto \sigma(\mathcal{O})$ formal power series in \hbar \ast -algebras of observables

1) $\mathcal{O}_1 \subset \mathcal{O}_2 \Rightarrow \sigma(\mathcal{O}_1) = \sigma(\mathcal{O}_2)$

2) $[\sigma(\mathcal{O}_1), \sigma(\mathcal{O}_2)] = 0$, $\mathcal{O}_1 \times \mathcal{O}_2$

Physical input:

M - spacetime, gbb. hyp. $M = \Sigma \times \mathbb{R}$

\mathcal{E} - config. space, e.g. for the scalar field $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{C}^\infty(M, \mathbb{R})$

dynamics: using Lagrangians

Free theory:
$$I_0[X] = - \int_M \left(\frac{1}{2} \nabla_m X \nabla^m X + \frac{\lambda}{2} R X^2 + \frac{m^2}{2} X^2 \right) \not{d}x$$

 $X \in \mathcal{E}$
 $\not{d} \in \mathcal{C}_c^\infty(M, \mathbb{R}) \equiv \mathcal{D}$

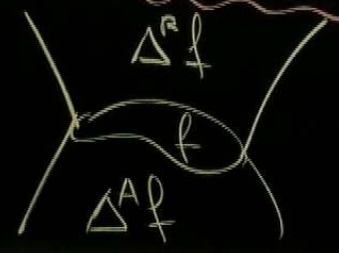
$$f \in C_c(\mathbb{M}^4) \equiv \mathcal{D}$$

FOM $\langle (dI_0)(x), \psi \rangle \equiv \langle \frac{\delta I_0(f)}{\delta x}, \psi \rangle, f \equiv 1$ on $\text{supp } \psi$

$dI_0(x) = 0$ eq. of motion $\psi \in \mathcal{D}$

$P_0 \chi$, $P_0 = \square - m^2 - \xi R$ has nice Green functions:

Δ^R, Δ^A retarded / advanced Green functions



Pauli-Jordan: $\Delta = \Delta^R - \Delta^A$

$\{F, G\} \equiv \langle F^{(1)}, \Delta G^{(1)} \rangle$

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$$f \in C_c(\mathbb{R}) \equiv \mathcal{D}$$

F, G are local functionals on \mathcal{E}

$$\mathcal{F}_{loc} \subset \mathcal{T}^\infty(\mathcal{E}, \mathbb{C})$$

More generally: \mathcal{F}_{nc} \rightarrow more singular functionals

Frey functionals such that $F^{(n)}(x)$

observables

FOM: $\langle (dI_0)(x), \psi \rangle \equiv \langle \frac{\delta I_0(\psi)}{\delta x}, \psi \rangle$

$$dI_0(x) = 0 \quad \text{eq. of motion}$$

$$P_0 \cdot X, \quad P_0 = \square - m^2 - \frac{1}{3}R \quad \text{has nice}$$

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More generally: $\mathcal{F}_{\text{loc}} \rightsquigarrow$ more singular functionals

Freq functionals such that $F^{(n)}(x)$ is smooth

Free quantum:

$\Delta^+ = \frac{i}{2} \Delta + \Delta^{\text{S}}$ is a bisolution for P_0 , has some nice singularity structure (WF-set condition)
↖ symmetric
↪ Hadamard function

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ω - state

$\Phi(x)$ - evaluation functional, $\Phi(x)(\chi) = \chi(x)$

$\omega(\Phi(x_1) \star \dots \star \Phi(x_n)) = \omega_n(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ n-point function

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"field operators"

$\omega^0(F) = F(0)$, so $\omega_2^0(x_1, x_2) = \Delta^+(x_1, x_2)$

this state is Hadamard

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Interaction

$$I = I_0 + V, \quad V(x) = -\lambda \int \frac{x^n}{n!} \phi dx$$

Feynman propagator $\Delta^F = \frac{i}{2} (\Delta^R + \Delta^A) + \Delta^S$

Naive time-ordered product

F. G

More of

F. G

$\Delta^+ =$

↪

$$\int_M \frac{x^n}{n!} dx$$

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$$F \star G = m \circ e^{i\hbar \langle \Delta^+ \frac{\delta}{\delta \phi} \otimes \frac{\delta}{\delta \phi} \rangle} F \otimes G$$

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$$F \cdot T G = m_0 e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} \langle \Delta^F, \frac{\delta}{\delta x} \otimes \frac{\delta}{\delta x} \rangle}$$

$J_n(F_1, \dots, F_n) = F_1 \cdot T \dots \cdot F_n$ is defined
of $F_i \in \mathcal{F}_{loc}$ iff supports are all disjoint

F, G
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Free

$$\Delta^+ =$$



CAUTION

Solution: Epstein-Glaser renorm

(*) Causal factorisation property

$$J_n(F_1, \dots, F_n) = J_k(F_1, \dots, F_k) \star J_{n-k}(F_{k+1}, \dots, F_n)$$

F_1, \dots, F_k not earlier than F_{k+1}, \dots, F_n

(in the sense of supports)

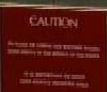
Construct τ and \mathcal{J} such that $F \cdot \tau G = \mathcal{J}(\mathcal{J}^{-1} F \cdot \mathcal{J}^{-1} G)$

formally the convolution with the Gaussian measure of the free theory

$$(\mathcal{J}F)(0) = \int F(x) e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} I_0(x)} \mathcal{D}X$$

Green functions: $G_n(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \omega(\Phi(x_1) \tau \dots \tau \Phi(x_n))$

Local S-matrix: $\mathcal{Z}(F) = e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} F}$



Local S-matrix: $S(F) = e_T$

Relative S-matrix $S_V(F) = S(V)^{-1} * S(V+F)$

Bogoliubov formula for the interacting field

$$R_V(F) = \left. \frac{d}{d\mu} \right|_{\mu=0} S_V(\mu F) = S(V)^{-1} * (S(V) \cdot F)$$

$R_V(\Phi(x))$ interacting field

$$F * V G = R_V(R_V^{-1} F * R_V G)$$

$\omega_V = \omega = R_V$
interacting
state

$$\omega_V(\Phi(x_1) \star_V \dots \star_V \Phi(x_n)) = \omega(R_V(\Phi(x_1)) \star \dots \star R_V(\Phi(x_n)))$$

\star_V time-ordered version

Green functions: $\omega \circ R_V(\Phi(x_1) \cdot \tau \dots \cdot \tau \Phi(x_n))$
 interacting Green function.



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interacting Green function.

Def. $Z(\mathcal{J}) = \omega(\mathcal{S}_V(\mathcal{J})) = \omega(R_V(\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{J})))$

$$\mathcal{J}(x) = \int j X$$

generating functional for these Green functions

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$$Z(x) = \int j X$$

generating functional for these Green functions

IR regulator

$$Q_k = -\frac{1}{2} \int q_k(x) X(x)^2 dx$$

$$I_{0k} = I_0 + Q_k$$

$$Z_k(j) = \omega(S(V)^{-1} * S(V + J + Q_k))$$

$$W_k(j) = -\log Z_k(j), \quad \tilde{\Gamma}_k(\phi) = W_k(j\phi) - J\phi(\phi)$$

$$\left. \frac{\delta W}{\delta j} \right|_{j=j\phi} = \phi \leftarrow \text{the classical field}$$

Average effective action: $\Gamma_k(\phi) = \tilde{\Gamma}(\phi) - Q_k(\phi)$

Generalized Wetterich equation

$$\partial_k \Gamma_k(\phi) = -\frac{1}{2} \int dx \partial_k q_k(x) \left(\frac{1}{Z_k(j\phi)} \omega(R_V(S(j\phi + Q_k) \cdot T; X^2(x))) \right)$$

Spec: $-i \frac{\delta^2 W_k(j)}{\delta j(x) \delta j(y)} + (W'''(x) W_k'''(y) - \phi''(x))$

evaluated at $j = j\phi$ give ϕ

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inverse of $\frac{\delta^2(\Gamma_k + Q_k)}{\delta\phi \delta\phi}$

evaluated at $j = j\phi$ give ϕ

$$\partial_k \Gamma_k(x) = -\frac{1}{2} \int dx \partial_k q_k(x) : (\Gamma_k^{(2)} - q_k)^{-1} :$$

implicitly
determined

$\delta\phi \delta\phi$

$\star R_V(\Phi(x))$

$\Phi(x)$

$$\partial_k \Gamma_k(x) = -\frac{1}{Z} \int dx \partial_k q_k(x) : (\Gamma_k^{(z)} - q_k)^{-1} :$$

$$T, \tilde{T} \quad e_T^{\frac{1}{\hbar}V}, e_{\tilde{T}}^{\frac{1}{\hbar}V}$$

implicitly determined

$$Z \cdot F_{vol}[\tilde{h}] \rightarrow F_{vol}[h]$$

thm. For $T, \tilde{T} \exists Z$ s.t.

$$e_{\tilde{T}}^{\frac{1}{\hbar}V} = e_T^{\frac{1}{\hbar}Z(V)}$$



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 $J(x) = \int j X$ generating functional for these Green functions

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