

# Theorems

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# RG flows

*+ 3 minutes of memories of old times...*

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# Outline

- **FRAMEWORK:** *Perturbative* QFT in Euclidean space
  - Massless  $\phi_4^4$  theory
  - SU(2) (pure) gauge theory
- **GOAL:** prove *renormalizability* and other properties of *renormalized* correlators in *momentum space* at *all loops*  
convergence of limits and integrals  
=> *bounds on correlators*
- **DIFFICULTIES:** *IR divergences* (massless particles), explicit *BRST/STI breaking* from momentum cutoffs
- **TOOLS:** *Renormalization group flow equations* and mathematical *induction*. No Feynman diagrams around.

# IR divergences in Euclidean, massless QFT

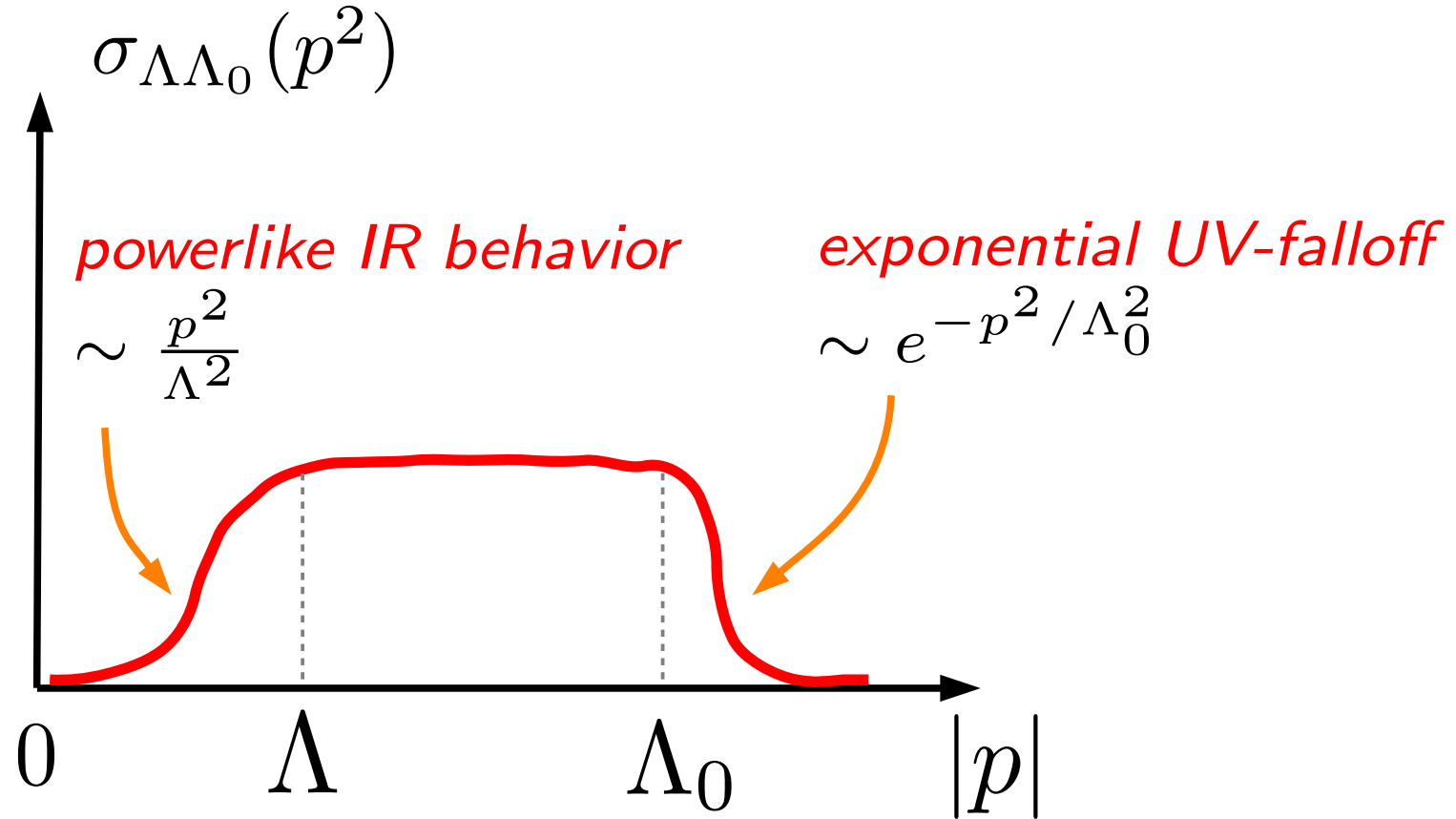
- A collection of momenta  $(p_1, \dots, p_n)$  is said to be *exceptional* if there exists a vanishing *subsum*

$$\sum_{e \in \mathbb{E}} p_e = 0 \quad \text{for some} \quad \emptyset \neq \mathbb{E} \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$$

- Correlators  $\langle \phi(p_0) \phi(p_1) \cdots \phi(p_{N-1}) \rangle$  with mass dimension  $d \leq 0$  typically *diverge* if  $(p_1, \dots, p_{N-1})$  is exceptional.  
( $p_0 = -\sum_{e=1}^n p_e$  *excluded due to momentum conservation*)
- Such IR divergences are "*physical*" and generally present in all Euclidean QFT with massless particles. (Situation even *worse* in Minkowski.)
- **Mathematically:** In QFT, correlators are *distributions*, not necessarily globally-defined functions.
- IR singularities *regularized* by IR cutoff  $\Lambda > 0$

# IR + UV regularized propagator (massless $\varphi_4^4$ case)

- $\Lambda_0$  is an *UV cutoff*;  $\Lambda$  is an *IR cutoff*:  $0 < \Lambda \leq \Lambda_0$ ;
- $C^{(\Lambda, \Lambda_0)}(p) := \frac{\sigma_{\Lambda\Lambda_0}(p^2)}{p^2}$  with  $\sigma_{\Lambda\Lambda_0}(p^2) := e^{-\frac{p^2}{\Lambda_0^2}} - e^{-\frac{p^2}{\Lambda^2}}$



- $\lim_{\Lambda_0 \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow 0^+} p^2 C^{(\Lambda, \Lambda_0)}(p) = 1$ : recover usual propagator.
- In YM  $\sigma_{\Lambda, \Lambda_0}(p^2) := \exp(-p^4/\Lambda_0^4) - \exp(-p^4/\Lambda^4)$   
(because  $C^{\Lambda, \Lambda_0}$  is more IR singular)

# Effective action L

(massless  $\varphi_4^4$  case)

$$e^{-\frac{1}{\hbar}L^{\Lambda,\Lambda_0}(\varphi)} := \mathcal{N} \int [d\phi] e^{-\frac{1}{2} \int \phi (\hbar C^{\Lambda,\Lambda_0})^{-1} \phi} e^{-\frac{1}{\hbar}L^{\Lambda_0}(\phi+\varphi)}$$

$d\mu(\phi)$ : *Gaussian measure*  
with covariance  $\hbar C^{\Lambda,\Lambda_0}$

$$L^{\Lambda_0}(\phi) := \int_x \left( \frac{g}{4!} \phi^4 + \frac{\delta Z}{2} (\partial\phi)^2 + \frac{\delta m^2}{2} \phi^2 + \frac{\delta g}{4!} \phi^4 \right)$$

*UV action*

$\delta Z(\Lambda_0), \delta m^2(\Lambda_0), \delta g(\Lambda_0) = O(\hbar)$  *counterterms*  
fixed order-by-order by *renormalization conditions*

- $L^{\Lambda,\Lambda_0}(\varphi)$  is the generator of the *Connected Amputated Schwinger (CAS)* functions  $\mathcal{L}_{N,L}^{\Lambda,\Lambda_0} = \text{sum of } \textit{Connected} \ \& \ \textit{C}^{\Lambda,\Lambda_0}\text{-Amputated} \text{ graphs} \propto \hbar^L$ .

$$L^{\Lambda,\Lambda_0}(\varphi) = \sum_{N=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{N!} \sum_{L=0}^{\infty} \hbar^L \int_{p_0, \dots, p_{N-1}} (2\pi)^4 \delta\left(\sum_{e=0}^{N-1} p_e\right) \mathcal{L}_{N,L}^{\Lambda,\Lambda_0}(p_1, \dots, p_{N-1}) \prod_{e=0}^{N-1} \varphi(-p_e)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_2^{\Lambda,\Lambda_0}(p) = 0 + \text{diagram 1} + \text{diagram 2} + \text{diagram 3} + \text{diagram 4} + \text{ct} + \dots$$

- (When it exists)*  $\lim_{\Lambda_0 \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow 0^+} \mathcal{L}_{N,L}^{\Lambda,\Lambda_0}$  gives the *renormalized CAS*

# Flow equation for $L$ ( $\varphi_4^4$ massless)

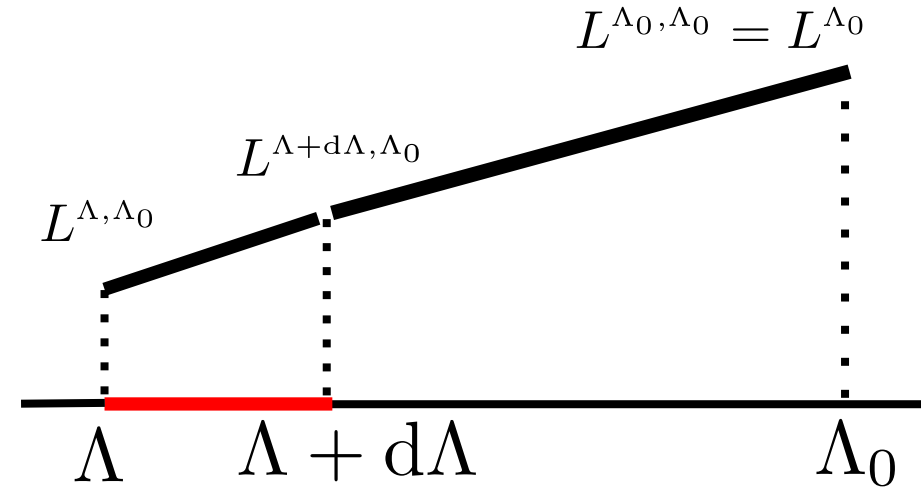
[Wilson]

[Wegner+Houghton]

[Polchinski]

Notation:  $\dot{X} := \partial_\Lambda X$ ,  $\langle f, g \rangle := \int_x f(x)g(x)$ ,  $p_{[n]} := (p_1, \dots, p_n)$

- The *RG flow equation* rules the evolution of the effective action  $L^{\Lambda, \Lambda_0}$  in terms of  $\Lambda$ , from  $\Lambda = \Lambda_0$  to  $\Lambda \rightarrow 0$



$$\dot{L}^{\Lambda, \Lambda_0} = \frac{\hbar}{2} \left\langle \frac{\delta}{\delta \varphi}, \dot{C}^{\Lambda, \Lambda_0} \frac{\delta}{\delta \varphi} \right\rangle L^{\Lambda, \Lambda_0} - \frac{1}{2} \left\langle \frac{\delta L^{\Lambda, \Lambda_0}}{\delta \varphi}, \dot{C}^{\Lambda, \Lambda_0} \frac{\delta L^{\Lambda, \Lambda_0}}{\delta \varphi} \right\rangle$$

- Mixed UV+IR boundary conditions*

$q_{[3]}, q$  ren. points,  $|q_{[3]}|, |q| = O(M)$

**UV:**  $\Lambda = \Lambda_0 : L^{\Lambda_0, \Lambda_0} = L^{\Lambda_0}$  (UV action)  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{N, L}^{\Lambda_0, \Lambda_0} = 0 \quad \forall N > 4, L$

**IR:**  $\Lambda \rightarrow 0 : \mathcal{L}_{4, L}^{0, \Lambda_0}(q_{[3]}) = g_L; \quad \partial_{p^2} \mathcal{L}_{2, L}^{0, \Lambda_0}(q^2) = z_L; \quad \mathcal{L}_{2, L}^{0, \Lambda_0}(0) = 0;$

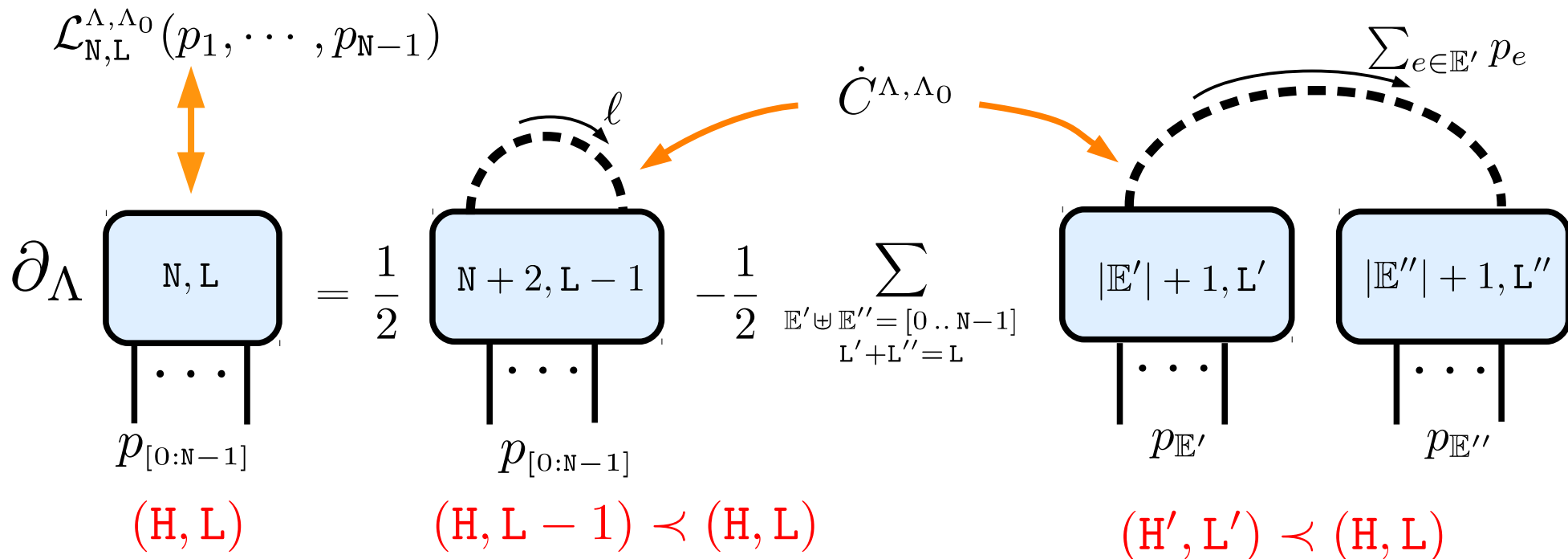
# Flow equation for CAS

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*Infinite hierarchy of equations which can be organized recursively i.e. LHS is expressed in terms of known RHS*

- 1)  $N' := |E'| + 1 \leq N + 1$  and  $L' \leq L$
  - 2)  $H' = N' + 2L' \leq N + 1 + 2L = H + 1$
  - 3)  $H' = H + 1$  *forbidden* by  $\mathcal{L}_{1,0}^{\Lambda, \Lambda_0} = 0$
  - 4)  $H' = H$  *forbidden* by  $\mathcal{L}_{2,0}^{\Lambda, \Lambda_0} = 0$
- ... so  $H' < H$

iterate over  $H := N + 2L = 2, 4, 6, \dots$   
 iterate over  $L = 0, 1, \dots, (H-2)/2$

$$(H, L)_{\text{RHS}} \prec (H, L)_{\text{LHS}}$$

# Inductive proofs: reconstruction

iterate over  $H=N+2L=2,4,6,\dots$   
 iterate over  $L = 0, 1, \dots, (H - 2)/2$

**WARNING:**  
 integrals must converge  
 $\Rightarrow$  bounds are needed!

$\|w\| = w_{max}$   
 $w$  multi-index counting momentum derivatives

$N, L$

*irrelevant terms* (i.e.  $d < 0$ )

$$\partial_p^w \mathcal{L}_{N,L}^{\Lambda, \Lambda_0}(p_{[N-1]}) := \underbrace{0}_{UV-BC} + \int_{\Lambda_0}^{\Lambda} d\lambda \underbrace{\partial_p^w \dot{\mathcal{L}}_{N,L}^{\lambda, \Lambda_0}(p_{[N-1]})}_{flow}$$

decrease  $\|w\|$   
 (i.e. increase  $d = 4 - N - \|w\|$ )

*relevant terms* (i.e.  $d \geq 0$ )

$q_{[3]}$  *ren. point*,  $|q_{[3]}| = O(M)$

$$\mathcal{L}_{4,L}^{\Lambda, \Lambda_0}(p_{[3]}) := \underbrace{g_L}_{IR-BC = ren. cond.} + \int_0^{\Lambda} d\lambda \underbrace{\dot{\mathcal{L}}_{4,L}^{\lambda, \Lambda_0}(q_{[3]})}_{flow} + \int_0^1 dt \underbrace{\frac{dQ_e^\alpha}{dt}(t) \partial_{p_e^\alpha} \mathcal{L}_{4,L}^{\Lambda, \Lambda_0}(Q(t))}_{interpolation from q_{[3]} to p_{[3]}}$$

*IR-BC = ren. cond.*

*interpolation from  $q_{[3]}$  to  $p_{[3]}$*



# All order uniform bounds for massless $\varphi_4^4$

[RG+Kopper, arXiv:1103.5692 (sketch)]

[RG+ Kopper: Full paper still pending] (*shame on the speaker!*)

- $\forall N, \forall L$  we prove accurate bounds for  $\mathcal{L}_{N,L}^{\Lambda, \Lambda_0}(p_1, \dots, p_{N-1})$  that
  - 1) hold *uniformly* for all  $p, \Lambda, \Lambda_0$
  - 2) encode *IR divergences* at *exceptional momenta*
  - 3) exhibit a physical *power-like falloff* (up to *logarithms*) for large non-exceptional momenta.
- Bounds for  $\partial_{\Lambda}^h \partial_{\Lambda_0}^k \mathcal{L}_{N,L}^{\Lambda, \Lambda_0}(p_1, \dots, p_{N-1})$  are also established ( $h, k \in \{0, 1\}$ )
- *Renormalizability*: the existence of *pointwise UV+IR limit* for non-exceptional momenta follows from the bounds.

# Bounds: *baby* version

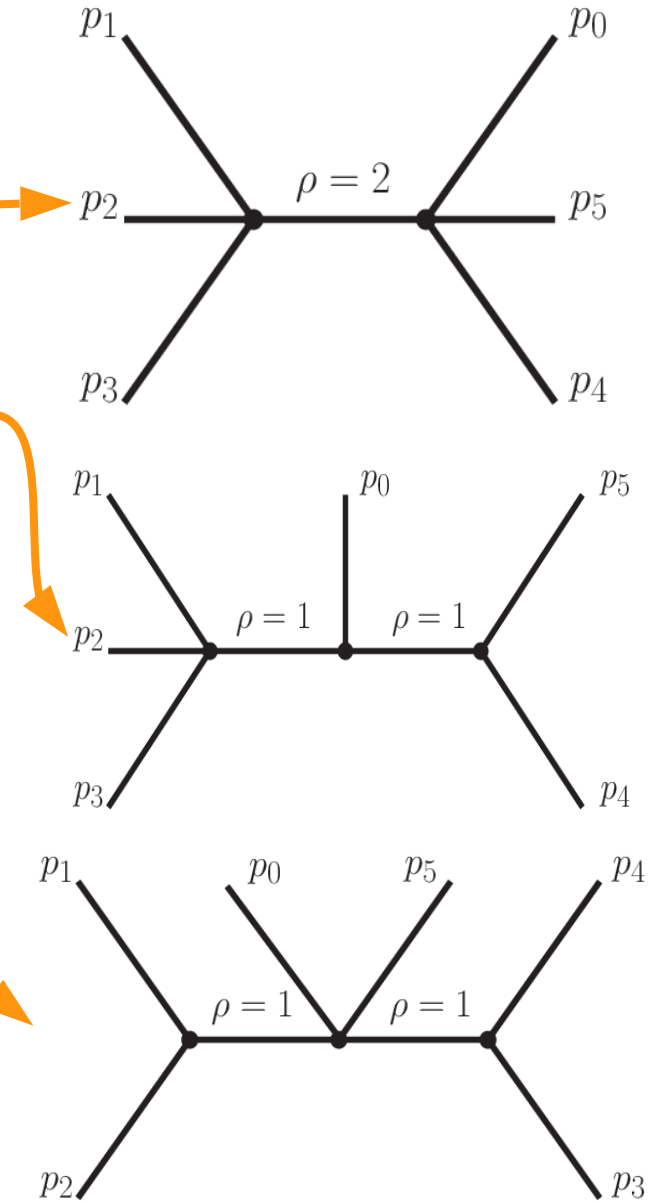
$$|\mathcal{L}_{6,L}^{\Lambda,\Lambda_0}(p_{[5]})| \leq \left( \begin{aligned} &|p_1 + p_2 + p_3|_{\Lambda}^{-2} \\ &+ |p_1 + p_2 + p_3|_{\Lambda}^{-1} |p_4 + p_5|_{\Lambda}^{-1} \\ &+ |p_1 + p_2|_{\Lambda}^{-1} |p_3 + p_4|_{\Lambda}^{-1} \\ &+ \text{perms.} \end{aligned} \right)$$

$$\left\{ \mathcal{P}_L \left( \log_+ \frac{|p_{[5]}|_M}{\kappa(\Lambda, p_{[5]}, M)}, \log_+ \frac{\Lambda}{M} \right) \right.$$

deg  $\mathcal{P}_L = L$

large eg when  $\Lambda = 0$   
and  $p_{[5]}$  exceptional

large when  
 $\Lambda = \Lambda_0 \gg M$



*weighted trees !!!*

- $\log_+(x) := \log(\max(1, x))$

- $M$  *renormalization scale*

- $p_{[n]} := (p_1, \dots, p_n)$ ;

- $|p_{[n]}|_{\Lambda} := \max(\Lambda, \sqrt{\sum p_e^2})$

*IR regulated Euclidean norm*

- $\kappa := \min(|p_i|_{\Lambda}, |p_i + p_j|_{\Lambda}, \dots, |p_1 + \dots + p_5|_{\Lambda}, |M|_{\Lambda})$  *dynamical IR cutoff*

# Bounds: *teenager* version

$$|\partial_p^w \mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{N} \geq 4, L}^{\Lambda, \Lambda_0}(p_{[N-1]})| \leq \left( \sum_{T \in \mathcal{T}_{N, w}} \prod_{i \in \mathcal{I}(T)} |k_i|_{\Lambda}^{-\theta(i)} \right) \mathcal{P}_L(\text{logs})$$

$w \in \mathbb{N}_0^{4(N-1)}$  is a *multi-index*

$\mathcal{T}_{N, w}$  is a set of *weighted trees*

$\mathcal{I}(T)$  is the set of *internal lines* of the weighted tree  $T$

$k_i$  is the *momentum* flowing through the internal line  $i$ .

$\theta(i) = \rho(i) + \dots$  is the *total weight* associated to  $i$   
*sum rule*  $\sum_i \theta(i) = N + \|w\| - 4 = -d$

# Renormalization of SU(2) pure gauge theory

[Efremov+RG+Kopper, arXiv:1704.06799 ] [Efremov, PhD Thesis 2017]

- Explicit renormalization conditions at "*physical points*"  
 $\Lambda = 0^+$ ,  $p$  non-exceptional.
- *Uniform & all-order bounds in momentum space* for *OPI functions* (and their  $\Lambda_0$ -derivatives) with an arbitrary number of insertions of the composite operators  $\psi^{\Lambda_0}$ ,  $\Omega^{\Lambda_0}$  generating the *renormalized BRST* transformation
- *Renormalizability: pointwise IR+UV convergence* of such OPI functions at non-exceptional momenta
- Slavnov–Taylor identities (STI) for the OPI functions [Zinn-Justin,1975], [Kluberg-Stern+Zuber,1975] are *explicitly broken* by cutoffs.
- We prove *uniform bounds* on the "*STI violations*" from which follows that they *vanish* at non-exceptional momenta in the IR+UV limit:

$$\left| \text{violations}^{\Lambda\Lambda_0}(\vec{p}) \right| \leq \frac{\Lambda + |\vec{p}| + M}{\Lambda_0} \times \text{trees} \times \mathcal{P}_r(\text{logs}) \times \mathcal{Q}_s \left( \frac{|\vec{p}|}{|M| + \Lambda} \right) \times \left( 1 + \frac{|\vec{p}|}{\Lambda_0} \right)^4$$

with degrees  $r, s$  linear in  $L$

# SU(2) YM: tree level Lagrangian, no cutoffs

- *Lorentz* gauge fixing with auxiliary field  $B$  and *Faddeev-Popov* ghosts  $c, \bar{c}$
- The *Total, 0-loop* Lagrangian density in the limit  $\Lambda \rightarrow 0, \Lambda_0 \rightarrow \infty$  is

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{tot},0}^{0,\infty} = \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} + \frac{\xi}{2} B^2 - iB \partial_\mu A_\mu - \partial_\mu \bar{c} D_\mu c$$

- $\mathcal{L}_{\text{tot},0}^{0,\infty}$  is *invariant* under *BRST* transformation

$$\begin{aligned} \delta\Phi = \epsilon s\Phi \quad & s A = Dc, & s c &= \frac{i}{2} g\{c, c\}, & \epsilon \text{ is a } & \textit{Grassmann parameter} \\ & s \bar{c} = iB, & s B &= 0, & \{c, c\}^d &= i\epsilon_{abd} c^a c^b \end{aligned}$$

- *the s operator is nilpotent:  $s^2 = 0$*

# Dependence on B field is trivial

- CHOICE: *Vanishing renormalization conditions* for all relevant (i.e.  $d \geq 0$ ) terms involving B

$$\partial^w \Gamma_{\mathbf{L}}^{0\Lambda_0; B\vec{\phi}}(\vec{q}) = 0,$$

- LEMMA: for all  $\Lambda > 0$

$$\Gamma_{\mathbf{L}}^{\Lambda\Lambda_0; B\vec{\phi}}(\vec{p}) = 0$$

- COROLLARY: *no counterterms involving B*

- COROLLARY: *trivial (tree-level) dependence* on B:

$$\Gamma^{\Lambda\Lambda_0}(A, B, c, \bar{c}) = \frac{1}{2\xi} \int d^4x (\xi B - i\partial A)^2 + \tilde{\Gamma}^{\Lambda\Lambda_0}(A, c, \bar{c})$$

# SU(2) YM: all-order Lagrangian + cutoffs

- *All-order, total, regularized Lagrangian*, with  $\Phi := (A, B, c, \bar{c})$ :

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{tot}}^{\Lambda, \Lambda_0} = \frac{1}{2} \Phi \mathbf{C}_{\Lambda \Lambda_0}^{-1} \Phi + \mathcal{L}_{\text{int}, 0} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{ct}}^{\Lambda_0}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}, 0} = g \epsilon_{abc} (\partial_\mu A_\nu^a) A_\mu^b A_\nu^c + \frac{g^2}{4} \epsilon_{cab} \epsilon_{c ds} A_\mu^a A_\nu^b A_\mu^d A_\nu^s - g \epsilon_{abc} (\partial_\mu \bar{c}^a) A_\mu^b c^c$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{ct}}^{\Lambda_0} = & r \bar{c} c \bar{c} c \bar{c}^b c^b \bar{c}^a c^a + r_1 \bar{c} c A A \bar{c}^b c^b A_\mu^a A_\mu^a + r_2 \bar{c} c A A \bar{c}^a c^b A_\mu^a A_\mu^b \\ & + r_1^{A^4} A_\mu^b A_\nu^b A_\mu^a A_\nu^a + r_2^{A^3} A_\nu^b A_\nu^b A_\mu^a A_\mu^a + 2 \epsilon_{abc} r^{A^3} (\partial_\mu A_\nu^a) A_\mu^b A_\nu^c \\ & - r_1^{A \bar{c} c} \epsilon_{abd} (\partial_\mu \bar{c}^a) A_\mu^b c^d - r_2^{A \bar{c} c} \epsilon_{abd} \bar{c}^a A_\mu^b \partial_\mu c^d + \Sigma \bar{c} c \bar{c}^a \partial^2 c^a \\ & - \frac{1}{2} \Sigma_T^{AA} A_\mu^a (\partial^2 \delta_{\mu\nu} - \partial_\mu \partial_\nu) A_\nu^a + \frac{1}{2\xi} \Sigma_L^{AA} (\partial_\mu A_\mu^a)^2 \\ & + \delta m_{AA}^2 A_\mu^a A_\mu^a + \delta m_{\bar{c}c}^2 \bar{c}^a c^a \end{aligned}$$

- We include *all* possible counterterms compatible with the global symmetries: **11 marginal** (i.e.  $d = 0$ ) counterterms and **2 strictly relevant** (i.e.  $d > 0$ ) counterterms . NB: No counterterms with  $B$  in our case.

- In presence of cutoffs  $0 < \Lambda < \Lambda_0 < \infty$  the BRST invariance of the total Lagrangian is *explicitly broken* already at tree level

# violated STI for Z

- *renormalized BRST*  $\delta_\epsilon \Phi$ :

$$\delta_\epsilon A = \epsilon \sigma_{0\Lambda_0} \psi^{\Lambda_0}, \quad \delta_\epsilon c = -\epsilon \sigma_{0\Lambda_0} \Omega^{\Lambda_0}, \quad \delta_\epsilon \bar{c} = \epsilon \sigma_{0\Lambda_0} iB \quad \delta_\epsilon B = 0$$

$$\psi^{\Lambda_0} = R_1^{\Lambda_0} \partial c - ig R_2^{\Lambda_0} [A, c], \quad \Omega^{\Lambda_0} = \frac{1}{2i} g R_3^{\Lambda_0} \{c, c\}$$

- The **3** functions  $R_i^{\Lambda_0} = 1 + O(\hbar)$  encode operators' counterterms
- Define  $Z^{0\Lambda_0}(K, \chi)$  functional of the sources  $K := (j, b, \bar{\eta}, \eta)$ ,  $\chi := (\gamma, \omega)$ :

$$Z^{0\Lambda_0}(K, \chi) := \int [d\Phi] \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\hbar} \int_x \left( \mathcal{L}_{\text{tot}}^{0,\Lambda_0} + \underbrace{\gamma \psi^{\Lambda_0} + \omega \Omega^{\Lambda_0}}_{\text{No contact terms } \gamma^2, \omega^2, \omega\gamma \text{ by global symmetries}} - K\Phi \right)\right)$$

*No contact terms  $\gamma^2, \omega^2, \omega\gamma$  by global symmetries*

- The change of variable  $\Phi' = \Phi + \delta_\epsilon \Phi$  gives the *violated* STI:

$$\left\langle \int_x \left( \delta_\epsilon \Phi \frac{\mathcal{L}_{\text{tot},0}^{0,\Lambda_0}}{\delta\Phi} + \gamma \delta_\epsilon \psi^{\Lambda_0} + \omega \delta_\epsilon \Omega^{\Lambda_0} \right) \right\rangle_{K,\chi} = \left\langle \int_x K \delta_\epsilon \Phi \right\rangle_{K,\chi}$$

$$\langle X(\Phi) \rangle_{K,\chi} := \int [d\Phi] \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\hbar} \int_x \left( \mathcal{L}_{\text{tot}}^{0,\Lambda_0} + \gamma \psi^{\Lambda_0} + \omega \Omega^{\Lambda_0} - K\Phi \right)\right) X(\Phi)$$



# violated STI for $\Gamma$

$$\int_x \left( \begin{array}{c} \Gamma^{0\Lambda_0} \\ \rho(x) \end{array} + (iB + \frac{1}{\xi} \partial A) \begin{array}{c} \Gamma^{0\Lambda_0} \\ \beta(x) \end{array} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{S} \underline{\Gamma}^{0\Lambda_0}$$

- $\rho$  and  $\beta$  are sources for the 2 operators encoding the STI violations
- **Gammology**: three Gamma's differing by quadratic terms

*standard  $\Gamma$*   $\Rightarrow \Gamma^{\Lambda\Lambda_0}(A, B, c, \bar{c}) = \frac{1}{2\xi} \int d^4x (\xi B - i\partial A)^2 + \tilde{\Gamma}^{\Lambda\Lambda_0}(A, c, \bar{c})$

*reduced  $\Gamma$  (flow equation)*  $\Rightarrow \Gamma^{\Lambda\Lambda_0} = \tilde{\Gamma}^{\Lambda\Lambda_0} - \frac{1}{2} \langle A, \sigma_{\Lambda\Lambda_0}^{-1} C^{-1} A \rangle - \langle \bar{c}, \sigma_{\Lambda\Lambda_0}^{-1} \partial^2 c \rangle$

*auxiliary  $\underline{\Gamma}$  (defines  $\mathcal{S}$ )*  $\Rightarrow \underline{\Gamma}^{0\Lambda_0} := \tilde{\Gamma}^{0\Lambda_0} + i \langle B, \bar{\omega} \rangle + \frac{1}{2\xi} \langle A, \partial\partial A \rangle$

- with  $\frac{\delta}{\delta \bar{c}} := \frac{\delta}{\delta c} - \partial \frac{\delta}{\delta \gamma}$  we define:

$$\mathcal{S} := \sum_{(\phi, \phi^*) \in \{(A, \gamma), (-c, \omega), (\bar{c}, \bar{\omega})\}} \left\langle \frac{\delta \underline{\Gamma}^{0\Lambda_0}}{\delta \phi}, \sigma_{0\Lambda_0} \frac{\delta}{\delta \phi^*} \right\rangle + \left\langle \frac{\delta \underline{\Gamma}^{0\Lambda_0}}{\delta \phi^*}, \sigma_{0\Lambda_0} \frac{\delta}{\delta \phi} \right\rangle$$

- *Restricted nilpotency* of  $\mathcal{S}$  implies a vital *consistency condition*:

$$\mathcal{S}^2 \underline{\Gamma}^{0\Lambda_0} = 0 \Rightarrow \mathcal{S} \int_x \left( \begin{array}{c} \Gamma^{0\Lambda_0} \\ \rho(x) \end{array} + (iB + \frac{1}{\xi} \partial A) \begin{array}{c} \Gamma^{0\Lambda_0} \\ \beta(x) \end{array} \right) = 0$$

# Free and constrained renormalization constants

- $\partial^w \Gamma_{\vec{z}}^{0\Lambda_0; \vec{\phi}}(0) = 0$ ,  $\varkappa_i \in \{\gamma, \omega\}$ , for all *strictly relevant* terms
- $11 + 3 = 14$  marginal counterterms  $\Leftrightarrow 14$  *marginal renormalization constants*
- $\Gamma^{M\Lambda_0; c\bar{c}c\bar{c}}(0) = 0$ ,  $\Gamma^{M\Lambda_0; c\bar{c}A^2}(0) = 0$ ,  $\partial_A \Gamma^{M\Lambda_0; c\bar{c}A}(0) = 0 \Leftrightarrow 4$  *RC*  
 LEMMA: the 4 counterterms  $r^{\bar{c}c\bar{c}c}$ ,  $r_1^{\bar{c}cA^2}$ ,  $r_2^{\bar{c}cA^2}$ ,  $r_2^{A\bar{c}c}$  vanish
- The *3* renormalization constants corresponding to CTs  $r^{A^3}$ ,  $\Sigma_T^{AA}$ ,  $\Sigma^{\bar{c}c}$  are *free*
- The *7* remaining renormalization constants must satisfy *7* additional relations in order to make the marginal violation terms  $\int_x \Gamma_{\rho}^{\vec{\phi}; w}$  and  $\Gamma_{\beta}^{\vec{\phi}; w}$  at the renormalization point *comply* with the bounds (i.e. *be small in UV limit*)
- We prove the *existence* of a solution for this system of relations that does not depend on the UV cutoff.
- Agreement with [Bonini+D'Attanasio+Marchesini, arXiv:hep-th/9602156]

# (selected) results using the FE framework

- All-order bounds for correlation functions of gauge-invariant operators in Yang-Mills theory [Fröb+Holland+Holland, arXiv:1511.09425] (P conserved  $\Rightarrow$  triviality of BRST cohomology)
- $\varphi_4^4$  massive: explicit bounds on the constants in the polynomials and proof of local existence of Borel transform [Kopper 2010, CMP295]
- OPE convergence at fixed L: for  $\varphi_4^4$  massive [Hollands+Kopper, arXiv:1105.3375]  $n > 2$  [Holland+Hollands, arXiv:1205.4904],  $\varphi_4^4$  massless [Holland+Hollands+Kopper, arXiv:1411.1785]
- OPE: formulas for derivatives wrt coupling of Wilson coefficients; [Holland+Hollands, arXiv:1401.3144]
- OPE: extension to YM [Fröb+Hollands, arXiv:1603.08012]
- Renormalization Proof for Massive  $\varphi_4^4$  Theory on Riemannian Manifolds [Kopper+Müller, arXiv:math-ph/0609089]
- Renormalization of Finite Temperature massive  $\varphi_4^4$  [Kopper+Müller, arXiv:hep-th/0003254]
- Minkowski space: renormalization, analyticity of  $\mathcal{L}_2(p^2)$  near mass shell and continuity of  $\mathcal{L}_4(p_{[3]})$  on  $\mathbb{R}^{12}$  [Keller+Kopper+Schophaus, arXiv:hep-th/9605137], [Kopper, arXiv:math-ph/0701071]

Memories....

# The beginning...

- **1989, Genoa** University, Italy: I knocked at Ken's office door asking for a graduation (*Laurea*) subject ...
- **(As usual)** Ken was immediately **hospitable** and gave me a problem ... *in spite of the fact that I **did not** follow his QM course (two QM courses alternated yearly at that time)*
- Ken gave me also a drop of his **wisdom** (?Japanese) :  
***'I can lead a horse to water but I can't make it drink'***  
*... **upsetting** but motivating!*
- This was the beginning of ***a long and fruitful scientific collaboration***, that continued with my PhD and after, till beginning **1996** when I started my post-doc in Saclay
- Long days of hard work ...  
*... and **short weeks** because at that time Ken arrived at Genoa U on Tuesday and quit for Pisa on Thursday!*

# ...a close friendship started as well !

- *It has been (and it is) a **pleasure** to interact with Ken!*
- **Everybody** meeting Ken is enriched by his human qualities:

... **long list omitted** ...

- *Ken acted with me more as a **second father** than as a PhD director!*

... so, **sincerely**:

Thanks for all, KEN!



小西さん

お誕生日

おめでとうございます

**Happy birthday**

**KONISHI-SAN !!!**