

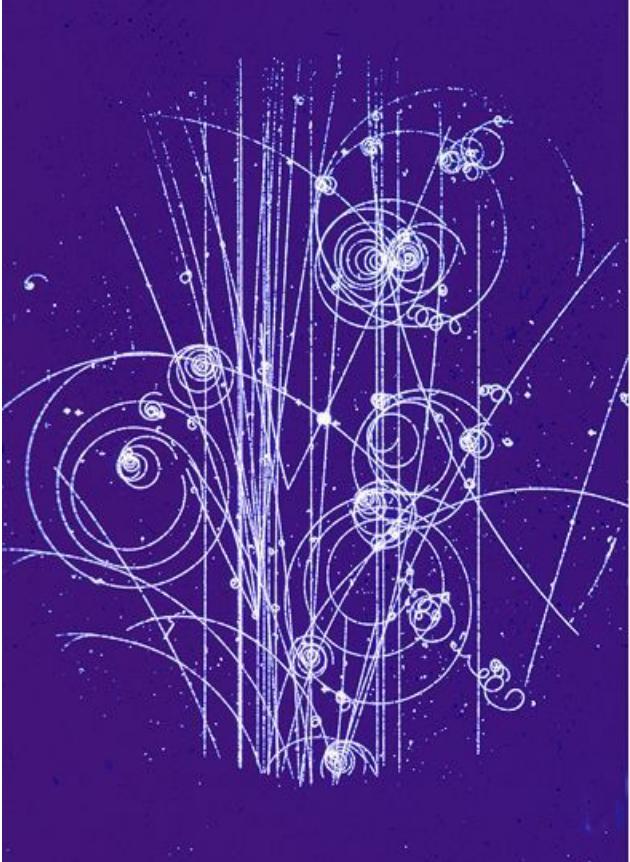
The beta-function of non-abelian gauge theories to two-loop order in Implicit Regularization

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5. Conclusions and perspectives.



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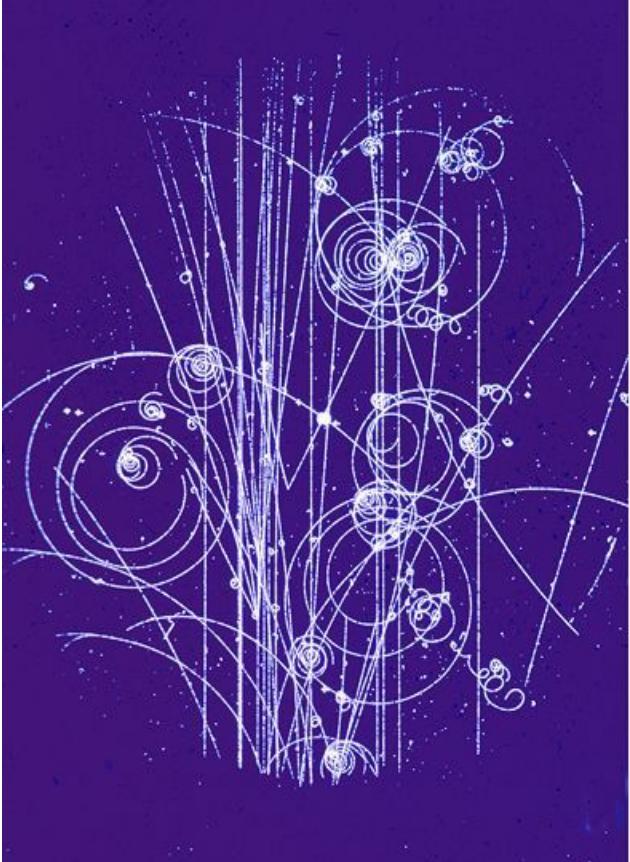


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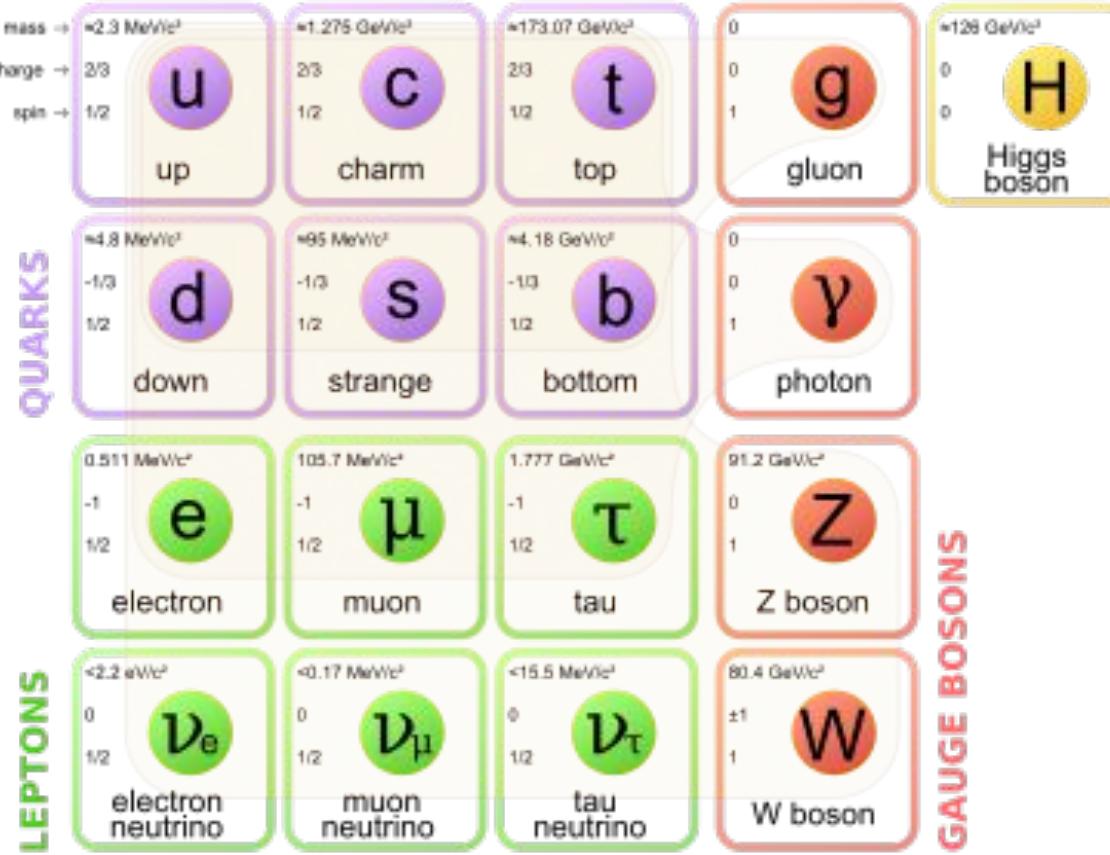
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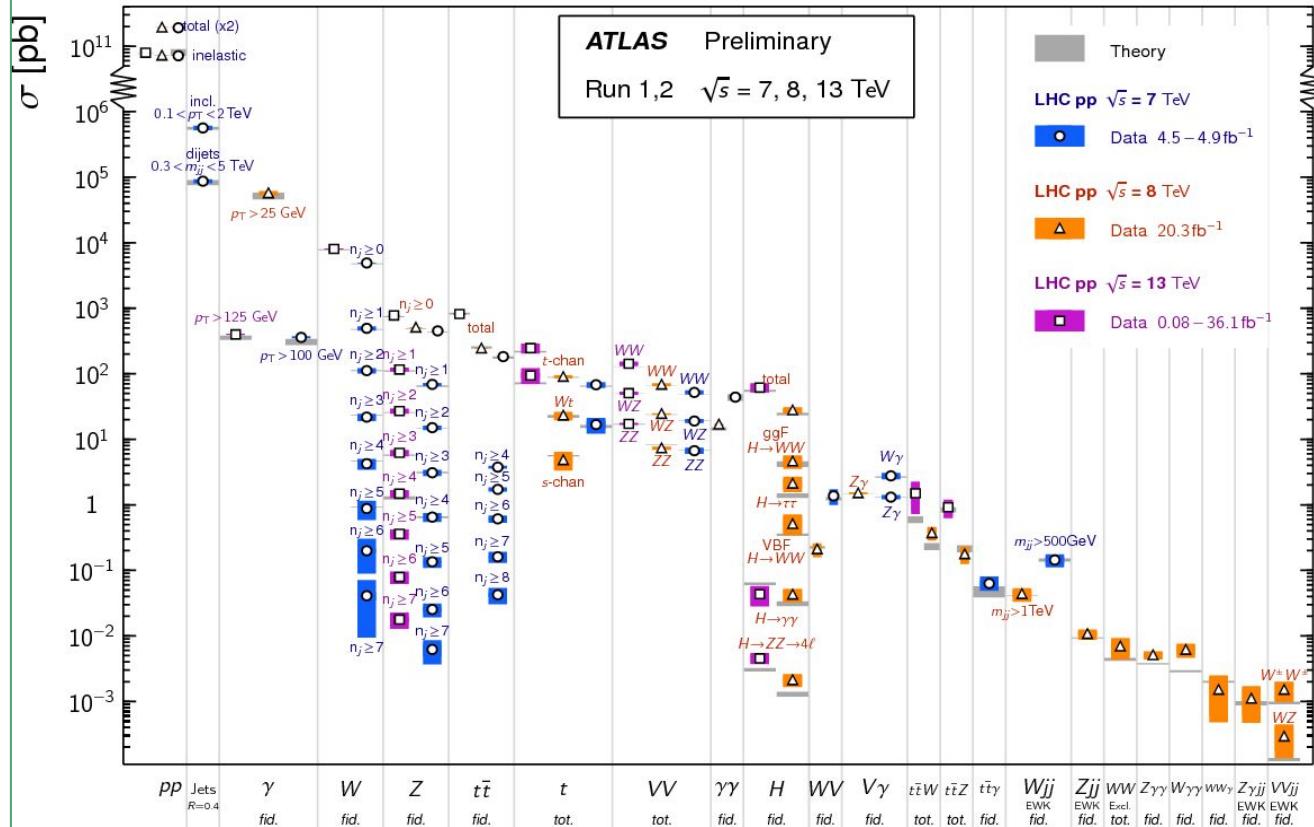
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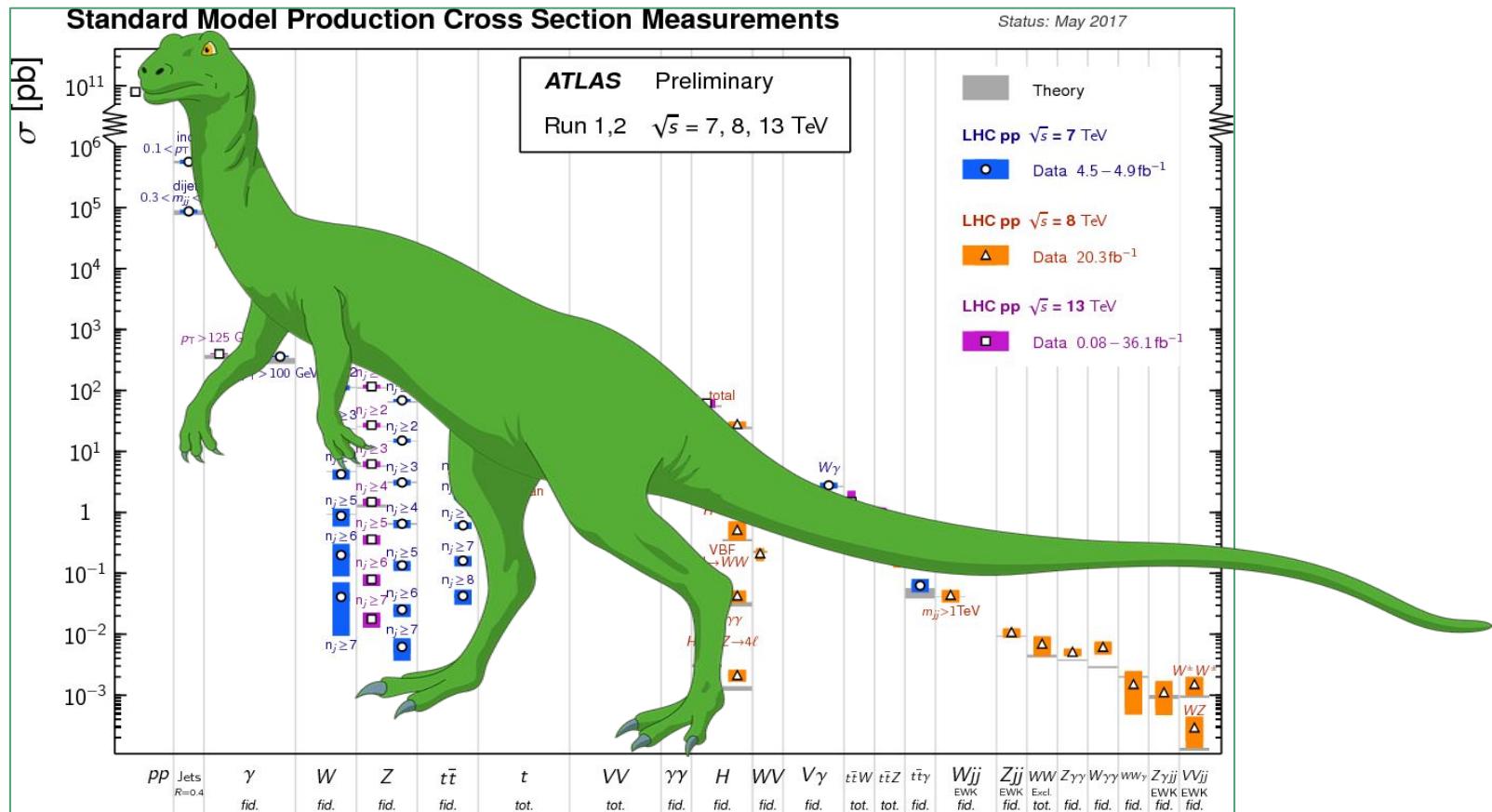
Standard Model of particle physics: the assembly of physical laws that governs the behavior of elementary particles.

Standard Model Production Cross Section Measurements

Status: May 2017



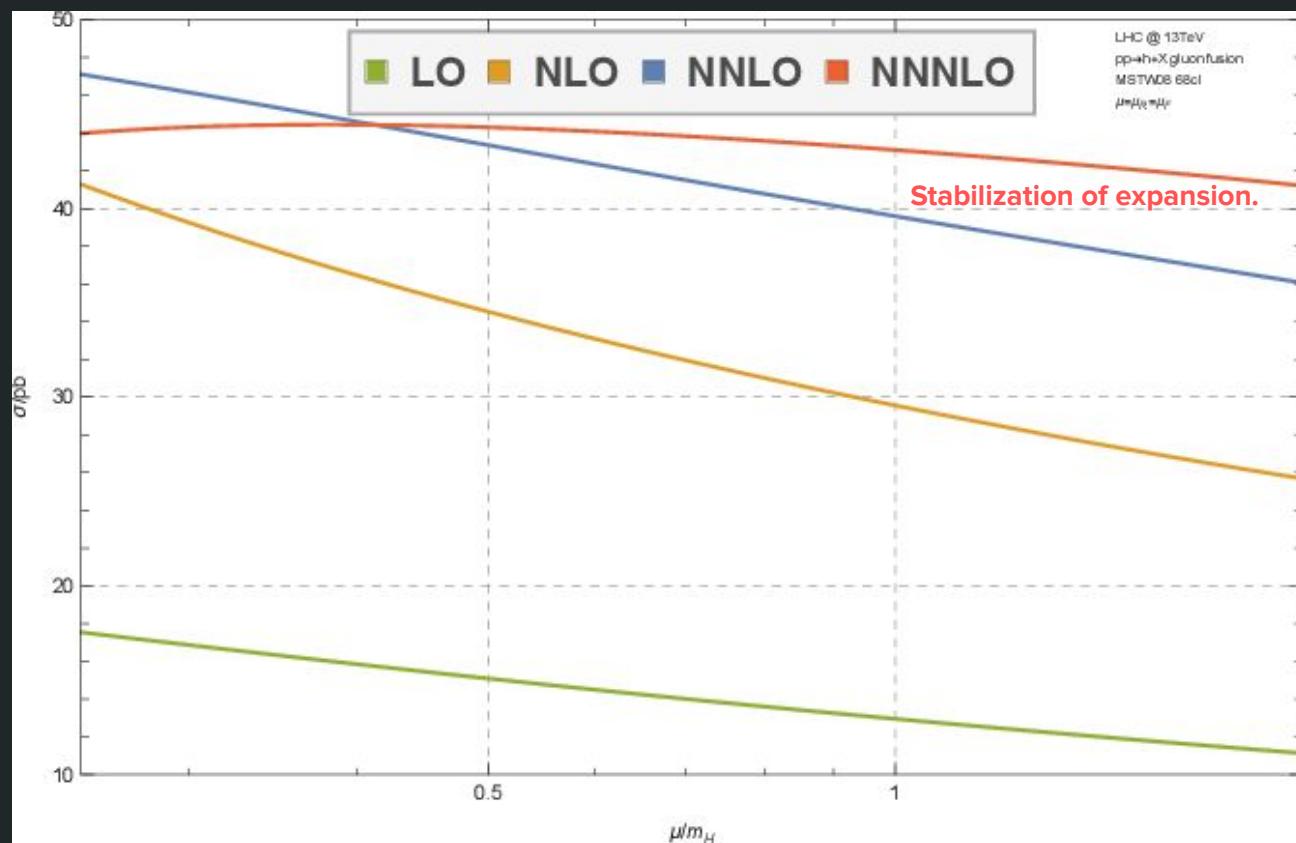
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Higgs production at $N^3\text{LO}$ (3-loop level)

Anastasiou, Duhr,
Dulat, Herzog,
Mistlberger (2018)
JHEP 1905 (2019)
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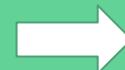
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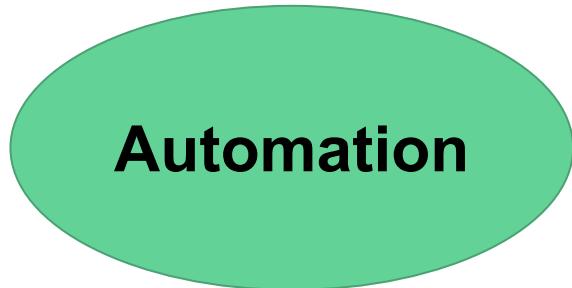
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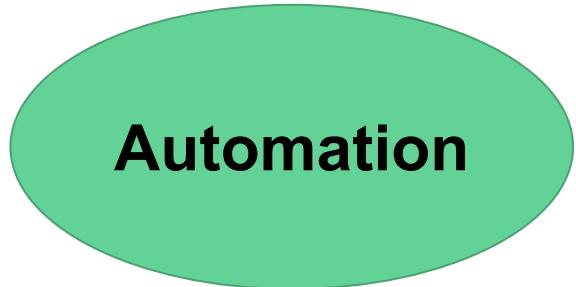
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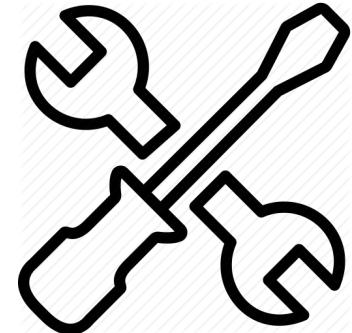
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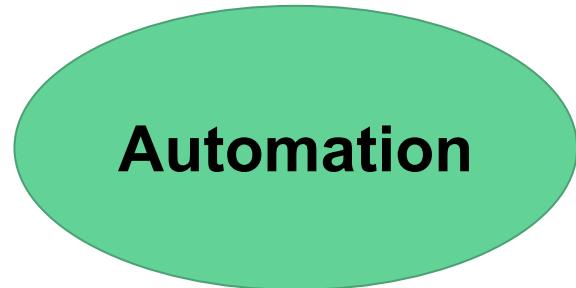
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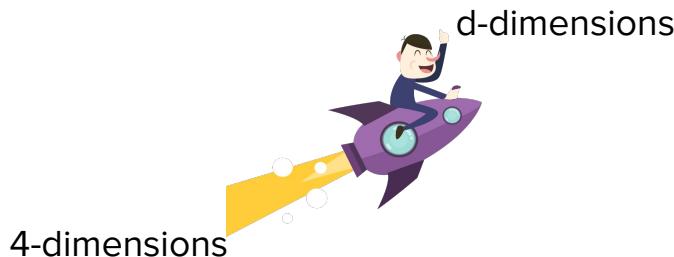
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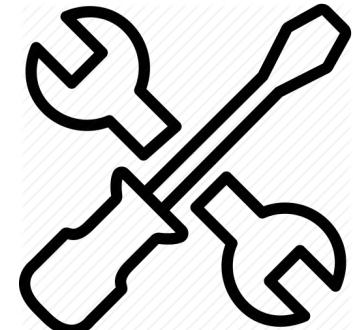
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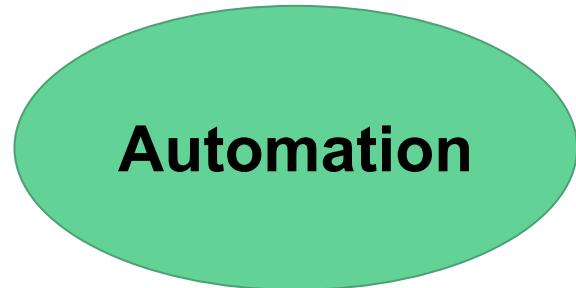
REGULARIZATION



DReg: dimensional regularization.
DRED: dimensional reduction.
(traditional regularization schemes)



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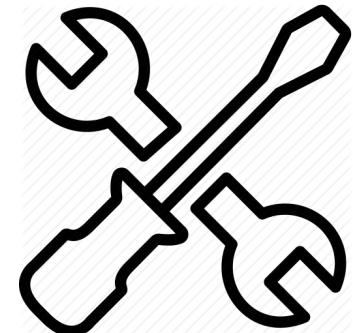
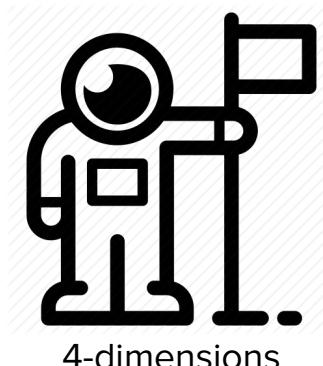


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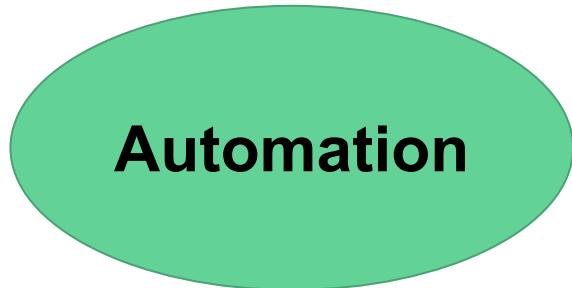


**IREG: Implicit
Regularization**

(Non-dimensional scheme)



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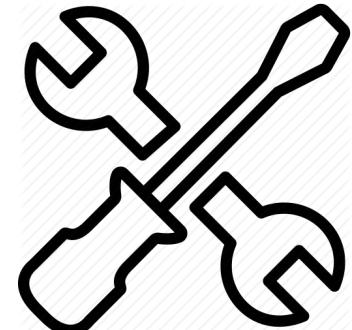


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REGULARIZATION

Subtract
UV-div





objectives

Understand how to wisely
remove **UV-div** when they arise
at 2-loop order for non-abelian
gauge theories with IREG.

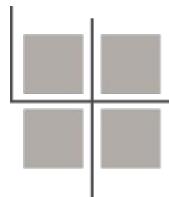


- ❖ N²LO techniques.
- ❖ How the IREG technique works at 2-loop?
- ❖ Tools with FeynArts based on IREG.
- ❖ Non-abelian theories.
- ❖ **β-function** of pure Yang-Mills in a mass-independent subtraction scheme.

Review of regularization schemes

IREG

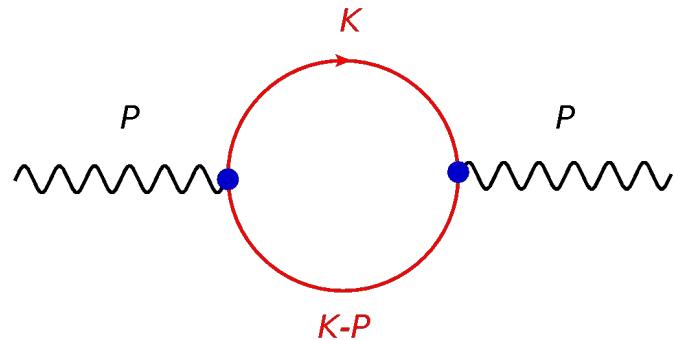
- Alternative to traditional dimensional schemes.
 - Momentum space.
 - **UV-div** as BDI (basic divergent integrals).
 - **UV-div** do not depend on physical parameters.
- Parametrization of regularization dependent terms as surface terms.



4 DIMENSIONS

IREG-Example

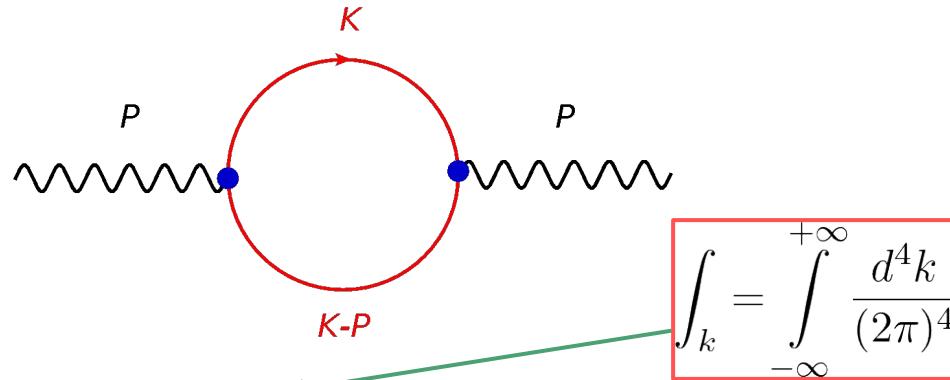
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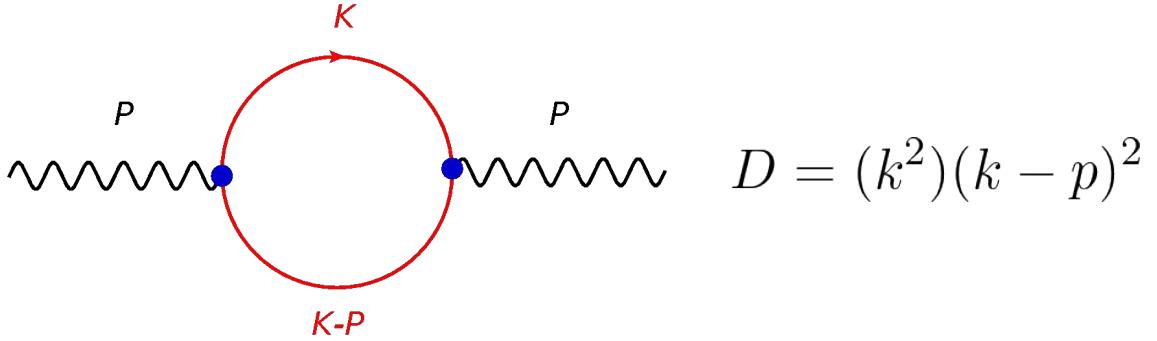
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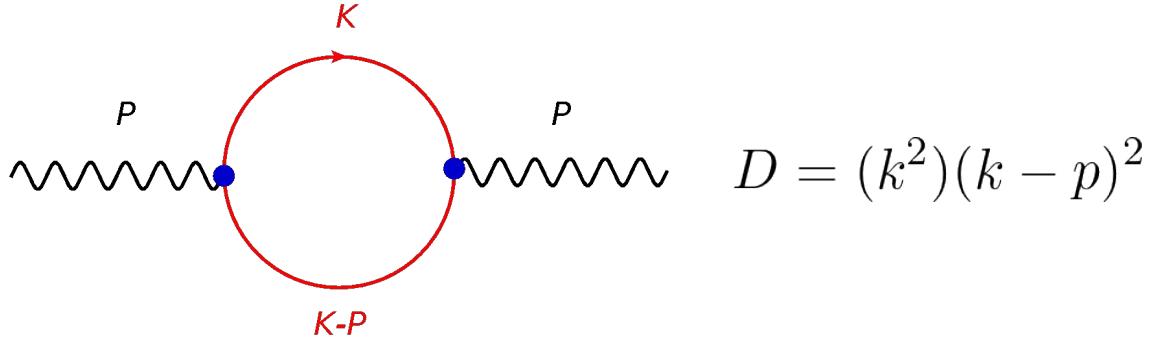


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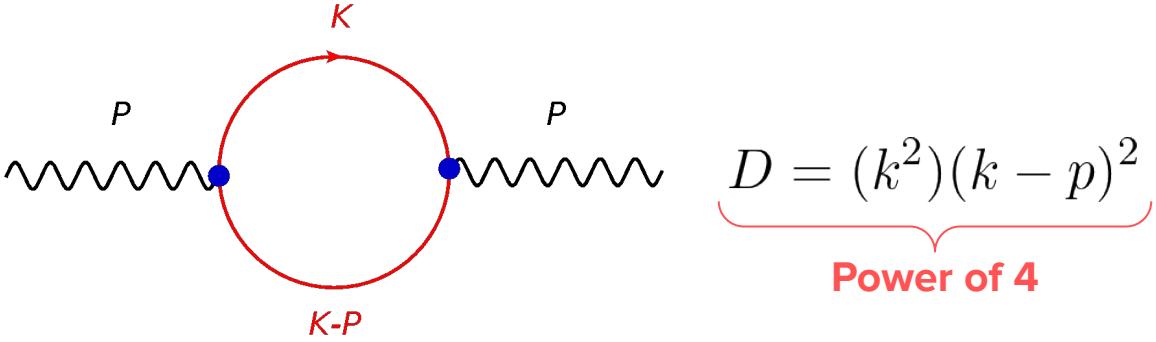
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When do we know that a diagram can be regularized?

Superficial degree of divergence Δ in a Feynman Diagram for **UV-div**



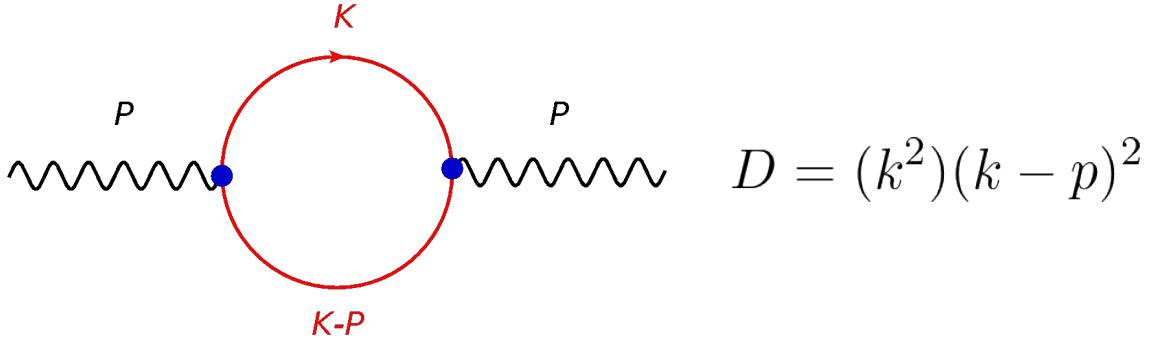
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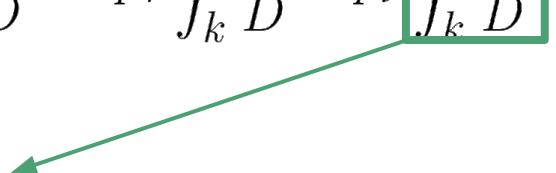
$$\Delta = \frac{\text{\#power in the numerator}}{\text{\#power in the denominator}}$$

$$\frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int d\Omega \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{k^3 dk}{k^4} \propto \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int d\Omega \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{dk}{k}$$

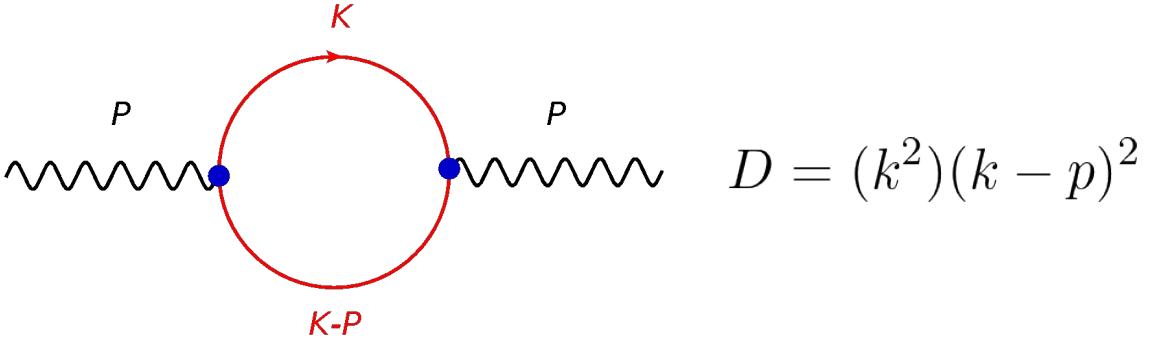


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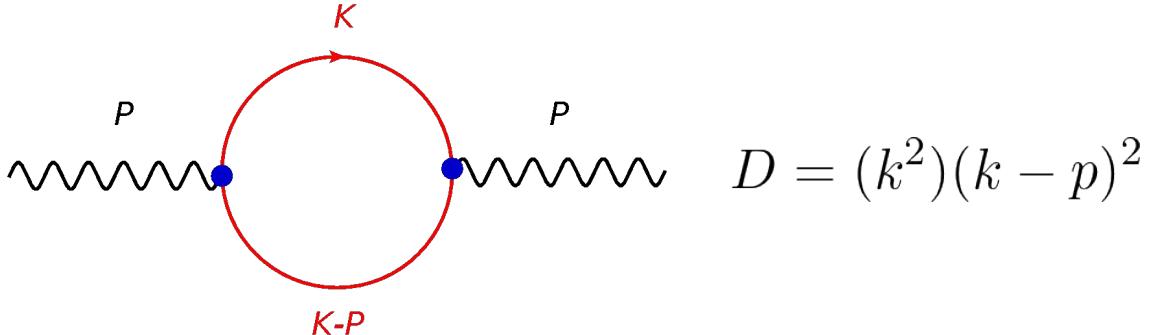
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$$I_\tau \Big|_{finite} = -p^2 \lim_{\mu^2 \rightarrow 0} \int_k \frac{k_\tau}{(k^2 - \mu^2)^3} + \lim_{\mu^2 \rightarrow 0} \int_k k_\tau \frac{p^2 - 2pk}{(k^2 - \mu^2)^3 [(k-p)^2 - \mu^2]}^{29}$$

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Basic divergent integral (BDI)

0

$$I_{log}(\mu^2) \equiv \int_k \frac{1}{(k^2 - \mu^2)^2}$$

BDI

The objective of IREG will be to write the **UV-div** in terms of the Basic Divergent Integrals (BDI).

$$I_{quad}(\mu^2) \equiv \int_k \frac{1}{(k^2 - \mu^2)}$$

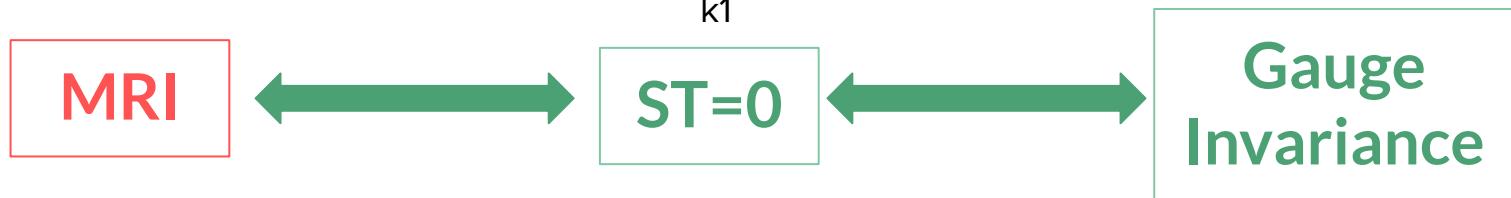
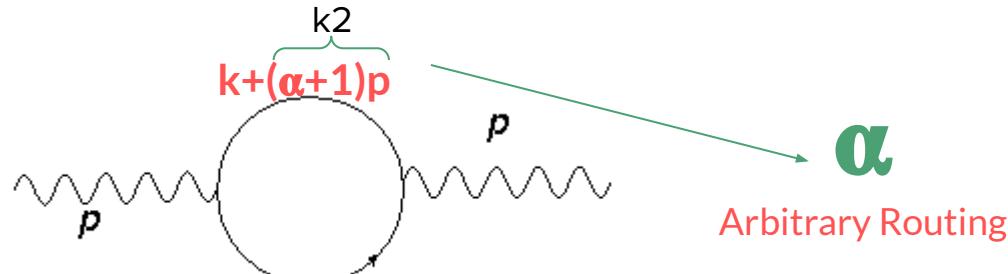
$$I_{log}^{\nu_1 \nu_2}(\mu^2) \equiv \int_k \frac{k_{\nu_1} k_{\nu_2}}{(k^2 - \mu^2)^3}$$

etc...

$$\begin{aligned}\Upsilon_0^{(1)\mu\nu} &= \int_k \frac{\partial}{\partial k_\mu} \frac{k^\nu}{(k^2 - \mu^2)^2} \\ &= 4 \left[\frac{g_{\mu\nu}}{4} I_{log}(\mu^2) - I_{log}^{\mu\nu}(\mu^2) \right]\end{aligned}$$

Surface terms

Momentum Routing Invariance in a Feynman Diagram



Momentum Routing Invariance in Extended QED: Assuring Gauge Invariance Beyond Tree Level



$$I_{log}(\mu^2) \equiv \int_k \frac{1}{(k^2 - \mu^2)^2}$$

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!!!!!! *IR-div*





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IR-div



$$\lim_{\mu^2 \rightarrow 0}$$



Scale relations

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Scale relations

$$I_{log}(\mu^2) = I_{log}(\underbrace{\Lambda^2}_{b}) - \frac{i}{(4\pi)^2} \ln \frac{\Lambda^2}{\mu^2}$$

It plays the role of the
renormalization group
scale

- Mass-independent scheme.
- Regularization independent.

The rules of IREG

1. Symmetric integration must be avoided (source of error).

$$k^\mu k^\nu \cancel{\rightarrow} \frac{1}{d} k^2$$

2. Fictitious mass μ^2 to avoid spurious IR-div.

3. External momenta.
$$\frac{1}{(k-p)^2 - \mu^2} = \frac{1}{k^2 - \mu^2} - \frac{p^2 - 2p \cdot k}{(k^2 - \mu^2)[(k-p)^2 - \mu^2]}$$

4. Divergent part in terms of BDI's which may be written as linear combinations of scalar BDIs plus ST.

5. The μ^2 dependence by introducing a scale Λ^2 .

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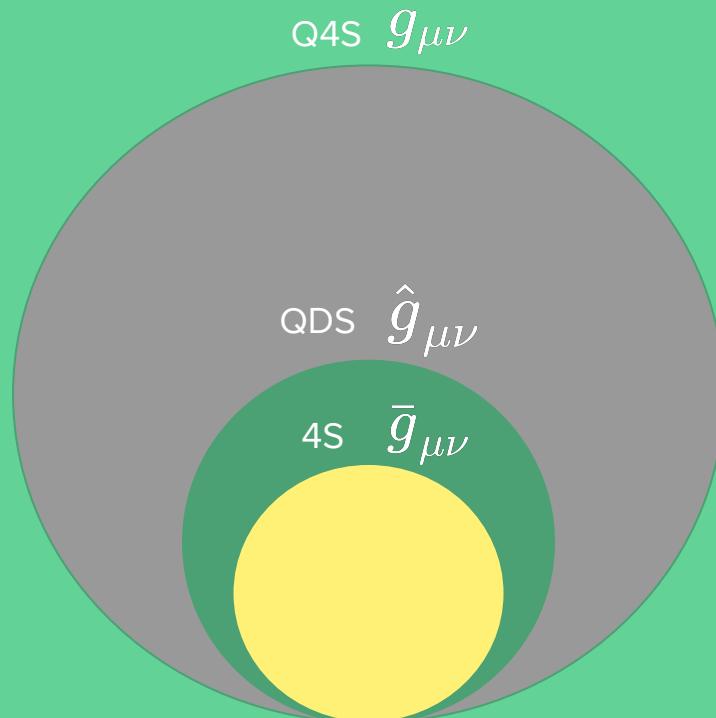
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$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{d^4 k[4]}{(2\pi)^4} \rightarrow \underbrace{\mu^{4-d}}_{\text{scale}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{d^d k[d]}{(2\pi)^d}$$

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- Alternative schemes to DReg have been developed, such as dimensional reduction (DRED).
- In DRED we split the boson fields “4” into a boson space “d” plus a boson space $N=2\epsilon$.

$$\mathcal{A}_4 = \underbrace{\mathcal{A}_d}_{4-2\epsilon} + \underbrace{\mathcal{A}_N}_{2\epsilon} \quad \xrightarrow{\text{Large Green Arrow}} \quad \mathcal{L}^{(4)} = \mathcal{L}^{(d)} + \underbrace{\mathcal{L}^{(2\epsilon)}}_{\substack{\text{New} \\ \text{Feynman} \\ \text{Rules}}}$$



Only gluons that appear inside a divergent loop or phase space integral need to be regularized.

	DReg	DRED
Internal gluon	$\hat{g}_{\mu\nu}$	$g_{\mu\nu}$
External gluon	$\hat{g}_{\mu\nu}$	$g_{\mu\nu}$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \hat{g}_{\mu\nu} + \underbrace{\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}}_{2\varepsilon}$$

UV-div

DS

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon^n}$$



Poles when $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

UV-div

IREG

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BDI

1-loop DS



Same!

1-loop IREG

$$I = \int_k \frac{1}{k^2(k-p)^2} \stackrel{\text{IREG}}{=} I_{\log}(\Lambda^2) - b \ln \left[-\frac{p^2}{\Lambda^2} \right] + 2b.$$

$\downarrow_{d=4-2\epsilon}$

$$I^{IREG} \Big|_d = b \left[\frac{1}{\epsilon} - \gamma_E + \ln(4\pi) + \ln \left(\frac{\mu_{DR}^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) \right]$$
$$= b \left[\frac{1}{\epsilon} - \gamma_E + \ln(4\pi) - \ln \left[-\frac{p^2}{\mu_{DR}^2} \right] + 2 \right]$$

n-loop

DS



$$\mathcal{J}_d = b^n \left[\frac{1}{(4\pi)^{-\epsilon}} \left(-\frac{\mu_{DR}^2}{p^2} \right)^\epsilon \frac{\Gamma(\epsilon)\Gamma^2(1-\epsilon)}{\Gamma(2-2\epsilon)} \right]^n \neq$$

n-loop

IREG

$$J = \int_{k_1} \frac{1}{k_1^2(k_1-p)^2} \cdots \int_{k_n} \frac{1}{k_n^2(k_n-p)^2}.$$

$$J^{\text{IREG}} = \left[I_{\log}(\Lambda^2) - b \ln \left[-\frac{p^2}{\Lambda^2} \right] + 2b \right]^n$$

A thick black downward-pointing arrow with a white rectangular box containing the text "d=4-2\epsilon" above it, indicating a dimensionality reduction step.

$$\downarrow \frac{b}{(4\pi)^{-\epsilon}} \left(\frac{\mu_{DR}^2}{\Lambda^2} \right)^\epsilon \Gamma(\epsilon)$$

$$J^{\text{IREG}}|_d = b^n \left[\frac{1}{(4\pi)^{-\epsilon}} \left(-\frac{\mu_{DR}^2}{p^2} \right)^\epsilon \Gamma(\epsilon) + 2 \right]^n$$

Practical approaches to 2-loop calculations

Minimal set of rules

- ST's=0.
- Avoid symmetric integration.
- Feynman rules to the **whole** multi-loop diagram.
- Perform contractions and simplify numerator against denominator if possible.

After these, the rules sketched for IREG can be applied.

Algorithm

STAGE 1: FeynArts&FormCalc

Contractions



STAGE 2: Regularization

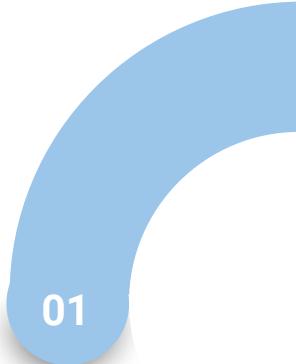
Integral reduction



STAGE 3: Integral Evaluation

FeynArts&FormCalc

We create the topologies
and the amplitudes. We do
the contractions.





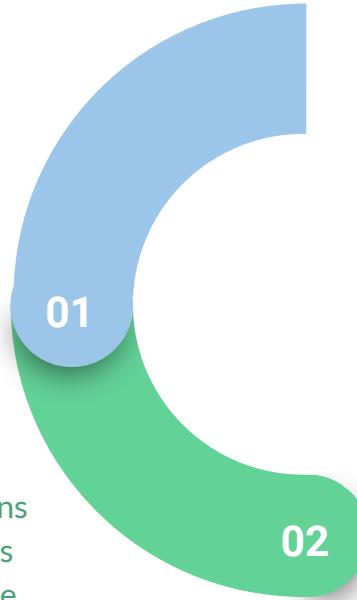
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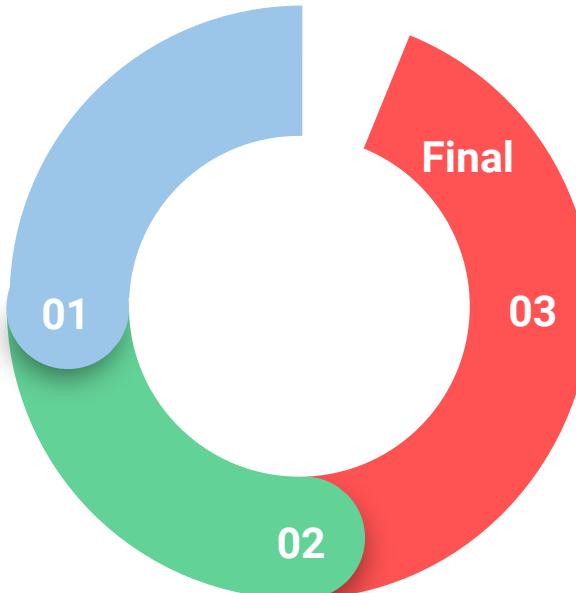
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Algorithm



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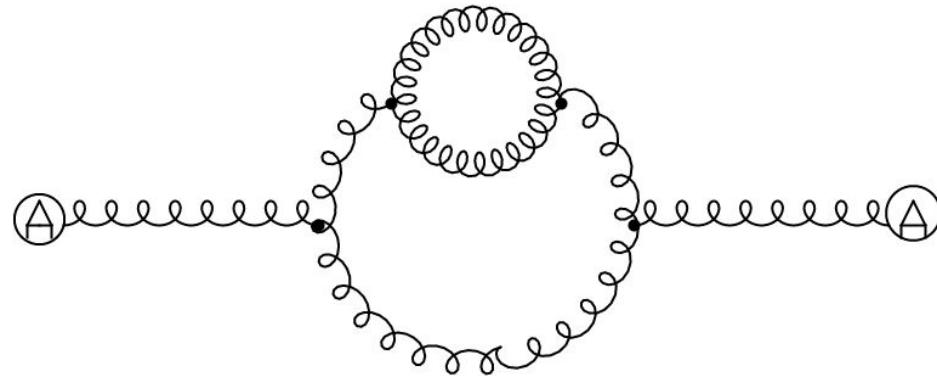
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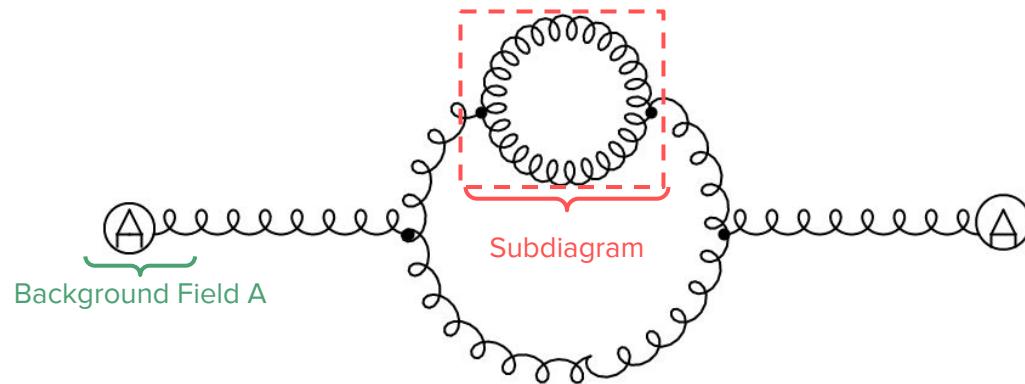
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2-loop approach example



2-loop approach example



→ **Stage 1:** Feynman Rules.

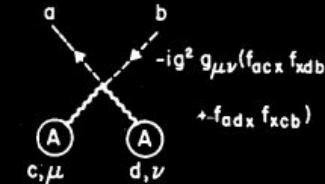
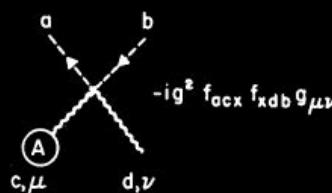
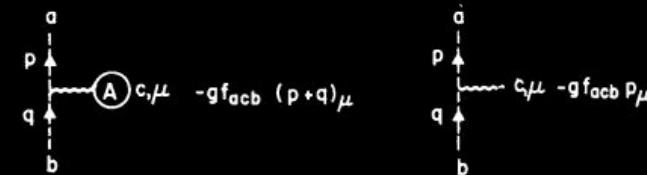
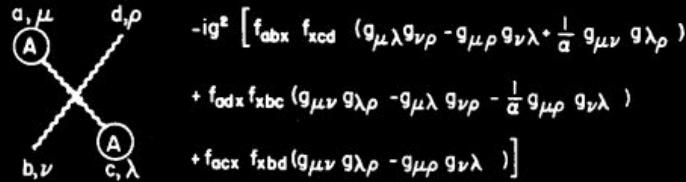
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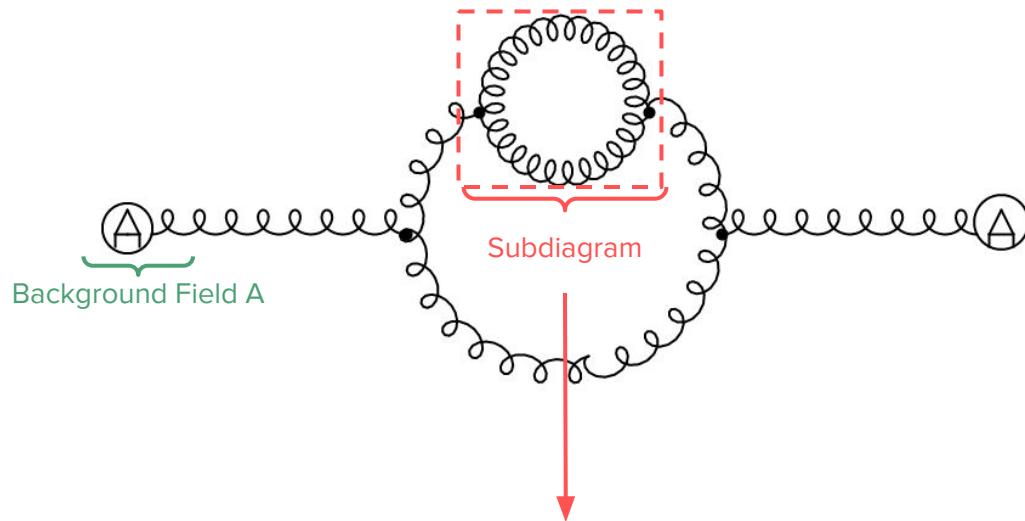
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Background Field-Method Feynman's Rules

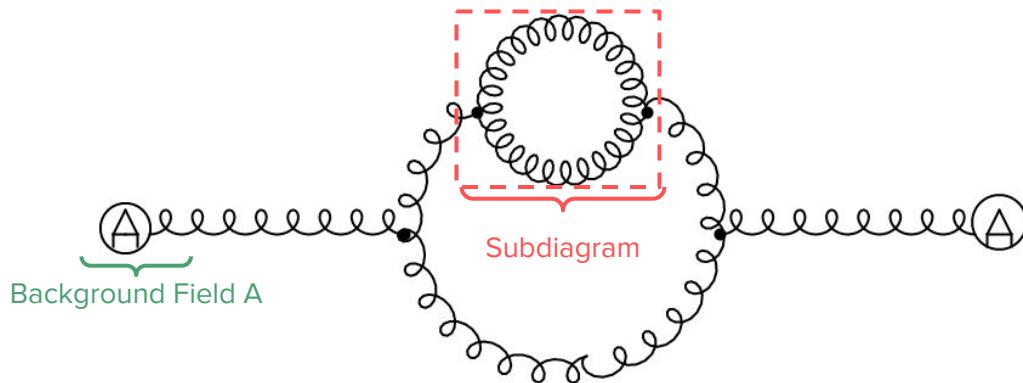
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2-loop approach example



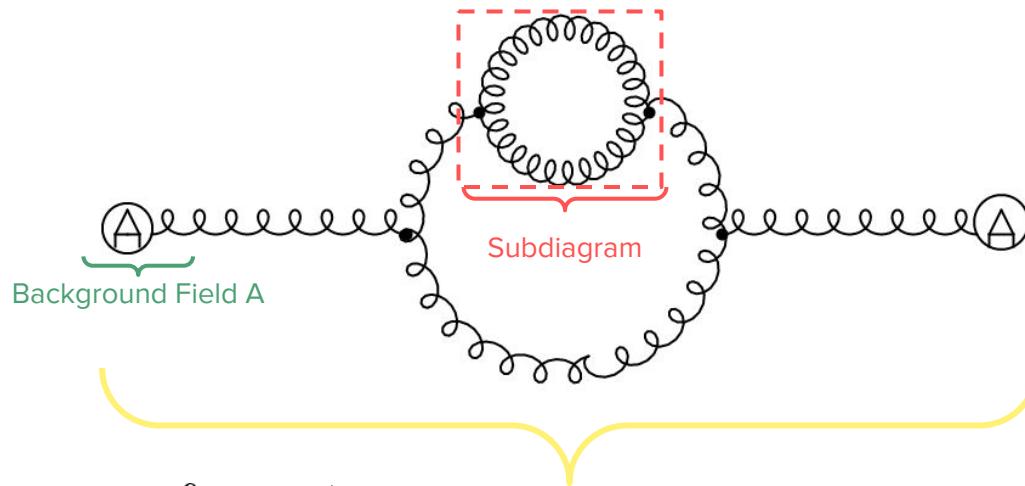
$$\pi_{\mu\nu}^{mn}(l) = -g^2 C_A \delta^{mn} \frac{1}{2} \int_l \frac{1}{l^2(l-k)^2} [2k_\nu k_\mu + 5k_\mu l_\nu + k_\nu l_\mu - 10l_\nu l_\mu - g^{\nu\mu}(5k^2 + 2l^2 - 2k \cdot l)].$$

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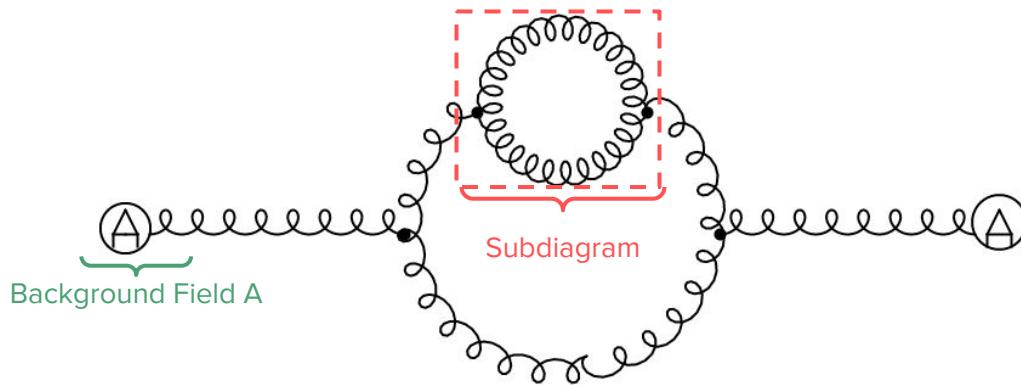
- **Stage 1:** Feynman Rules. **Don't** evaluate the integral of the subdiagram. Apply Feynman's rules back to the main diagram and add subdiagram result.

2-loop approach example



$$\begin{aligned}\Pi_{ls}^{\lambda\sigma} &= +ig^4 C_A^2 \delta^{sl} \int_k \frac{1}{k^4(k-p)^2} \times \\ \xi_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} \times & \left[\frac{1}{2} \int_l \frac{1}{l^2(l-k)^2} (2k_\nu k_\mu + 5k_\mu l_\nu + k_\nu l_\mu - 10l_\nu l_\mu - g^{\nu\mu}(5k^2 + 2l^2 - 2k \cdot l)) \right]\end{aligned}$$

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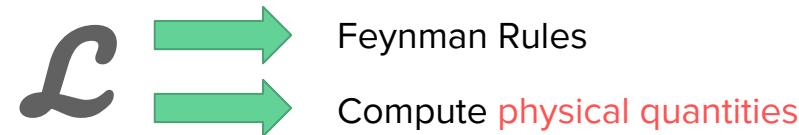
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Perform Contractions and simplifications.

$$\int_k \frac{k_\lambda k_\sigma}{k^4(k-p)^2} \int_l \frac{l^2}{l^2(l-k)^2} \propto \int_k \frac{k_\lambda k_\sigma}{k^4(k-p)^2} \int_l \frac{1}{(l-k)^2}$$

- **Stage 2:** Regularization!

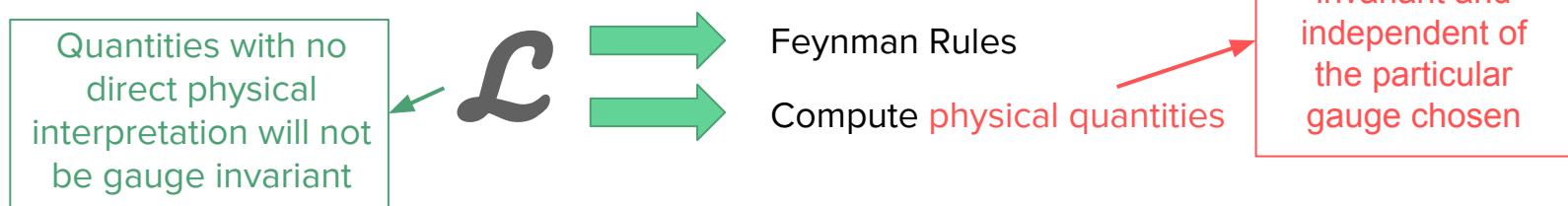
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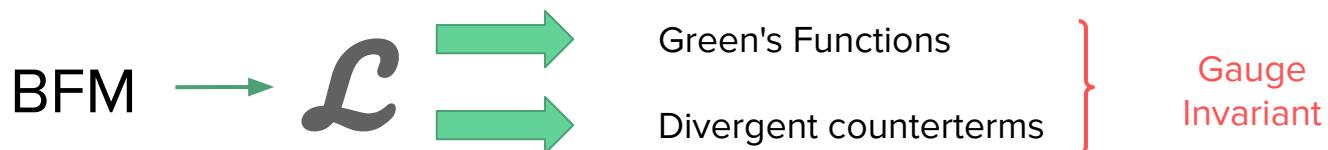


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The Background Field Method (BFM)

- The approach of the BFM is to do a “field-shifting”: the background field is added to the quantum field in the action ($S=QF+BF$). After this, the method allows to fix a gauge and evaluate the quantum corrections without breaking the background gauge symmetry.

$$Z(J) = \int \mathcal{D}_Q \det \left(\frac{\delta G^a}{\delta w^b} \right) \exp^{i(S^{YM}(Q) - \frac{1}{2\alpha} G \cdot G + J \cdot Q)}$$



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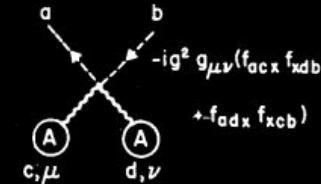
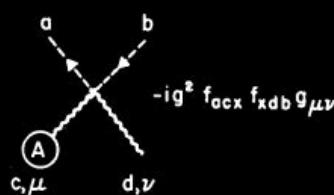
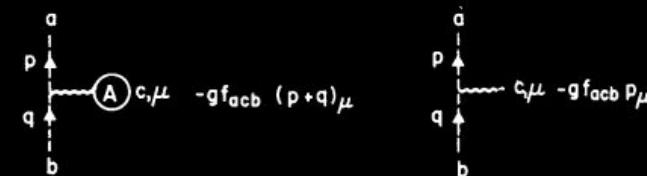
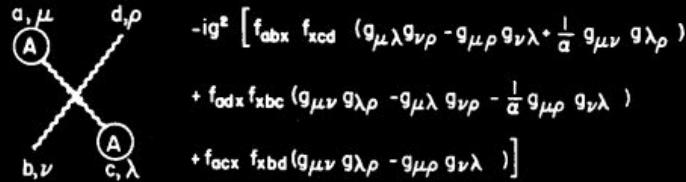
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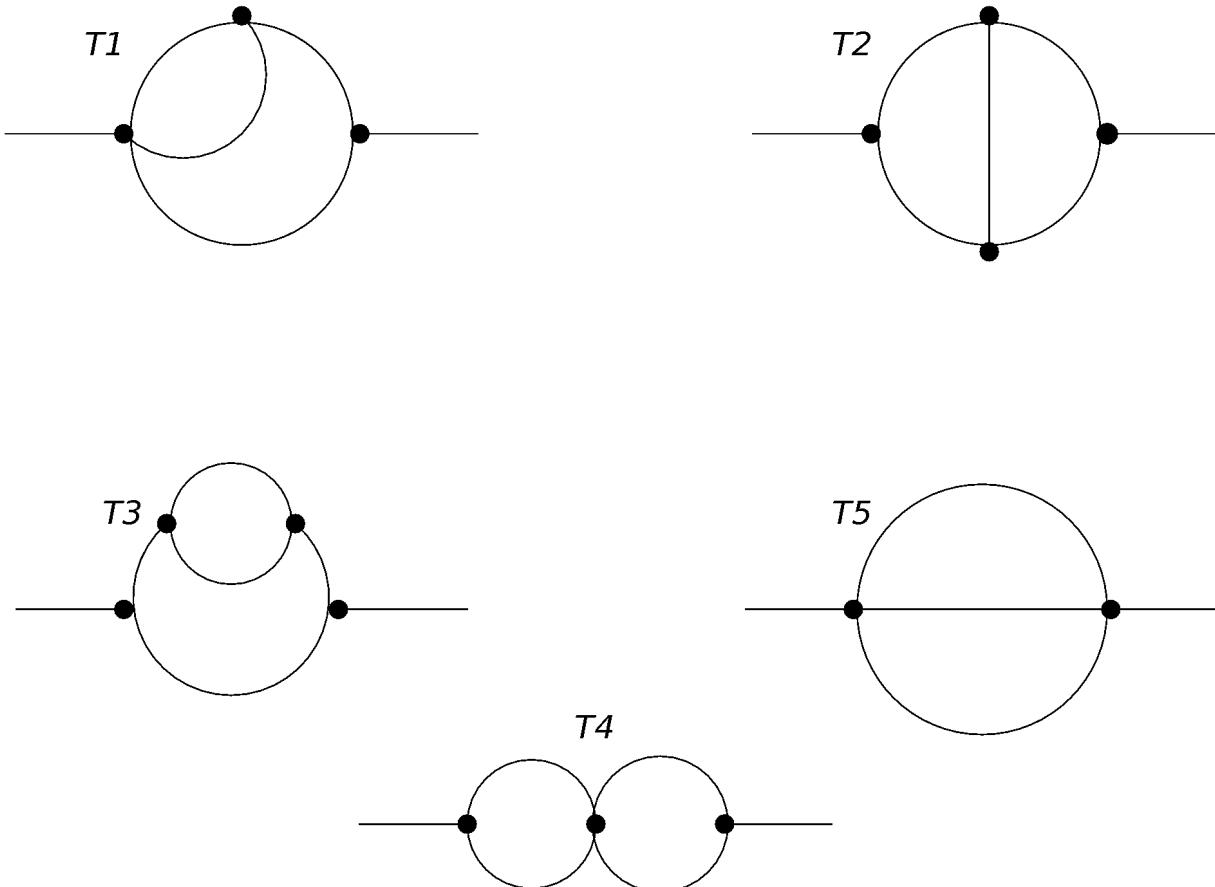
The renormalization program in the BFM

- We redefine a new set of variables: $\hat{A}_o = Z_{\hat{A}} \hat{A}_r$; $g_o = Z_g g_r$; $\alpha_o = Z_\alpha \alpha_r$
- Q field don't need to be renormalized (only appears in loops).
- Infinities in the action must take the gauge invariant form of a divergent constant times the gauge field strength tensor.

$$F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{a\mu\nu} = Z_A^{\frac{1}{2}} [\partial_\mu A_\nu^a - \partial_\nu A_\mu^a + \underbrace{Z_g Z_A^{\frac{1}{2}} g f^{abc} A_\mu^b A_\nu^c}]$$
$$Z_g = Z_A^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

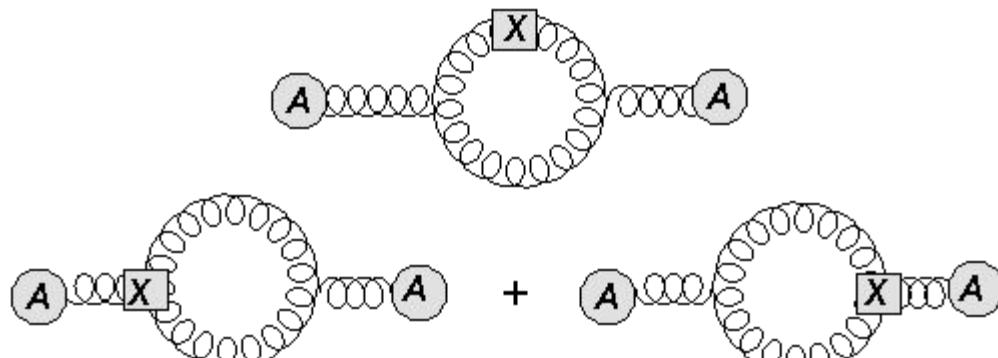
We only need the two-point functions as the abelian theories!

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Gauge-fixing renormalization diagrams

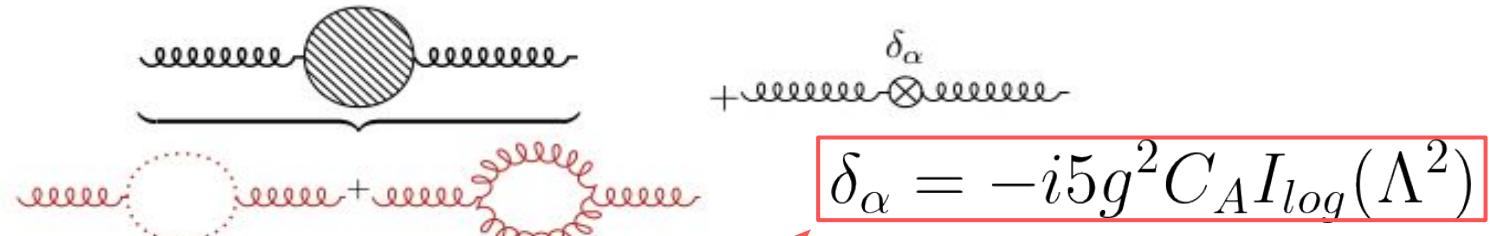
$$Z_\alpha = (1 + \delta_\alpha)$$

Redefinition

Counterterm

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- For the determination of the renormalization factor:

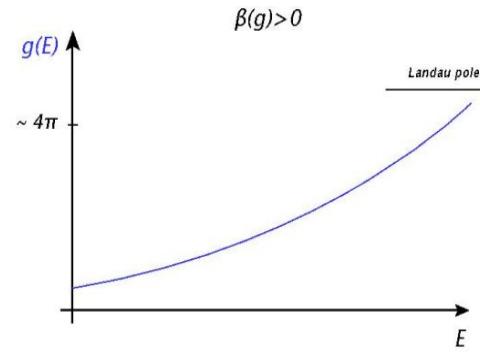
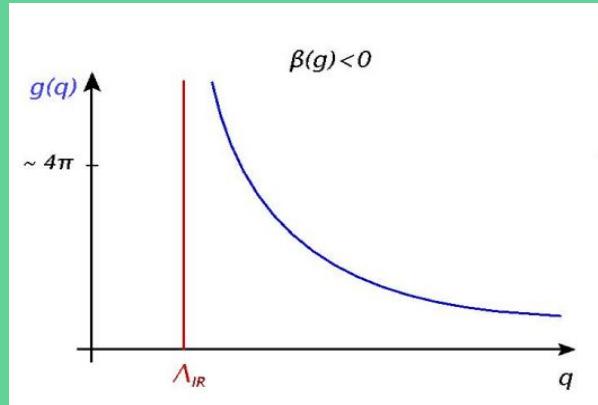


$$\mathcal{L}_{GF} = -\frac{1}{2\alpha_r} \left[\partial_\mu Q_a^\mu + g_r f^{abc} (\hat{A}_r)_\mu^b Q_\mu^c \right]^2 + \frac{\delta_\alpha}{2\alpha_r} \left[\partial_\mu Q_a^\mu + g_r f^{abc} (\hat{A}_r)_\mu^b Q_\mu^c \right]^2$$

The β -function at 2-loop

- Physical predictions in our theories cannot depend on: μ_{DR} Λ^2
- Physical parameters need to be independent. We do that using the renormalization group.
- The β -function is define as: $\beta = \lambda \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} g_R$

QCD
 β -function



QED
 β -function

The β -function at 2-loop

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- The renormalization constant of the BF field goes at 2-loops as:

$$Z_A = 1 + \underbrace{A_1 \tilde{g}_R^2}_{\text{1-loop}} + \underbrace{A_2 \tilde{g}_R^4}_{\text{2-loop}}$$

$$\beta = \frac{g_R}{2} \lambda \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} \left[A_1 \tilde{g}_R^2 + \left(A_2 - \frac{A_1^2}{2} \tilde{g}_R^4 \right) \right]$$

DS β -function

$$\beta = \frac{d-4}{2} g_R [A_1 \tilde{g}_R^2 + 2 A_2 \tilde{g}_R^4]$$

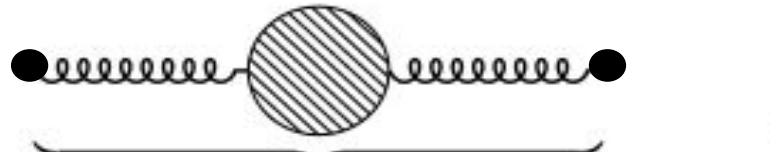
IREG β -function

$$\beta = -g_R \left[-\frac{g_R^2}{2} \Lambda \frac{\partial}{\partial \Lambda} A_1 - \frac{g_R^4}{2} \Lambda \frac{\partial}{\partial \Lambda} A_2 \right]$$

2-loop applications: results

Pure Yang-Mills at 1-loop with IREG

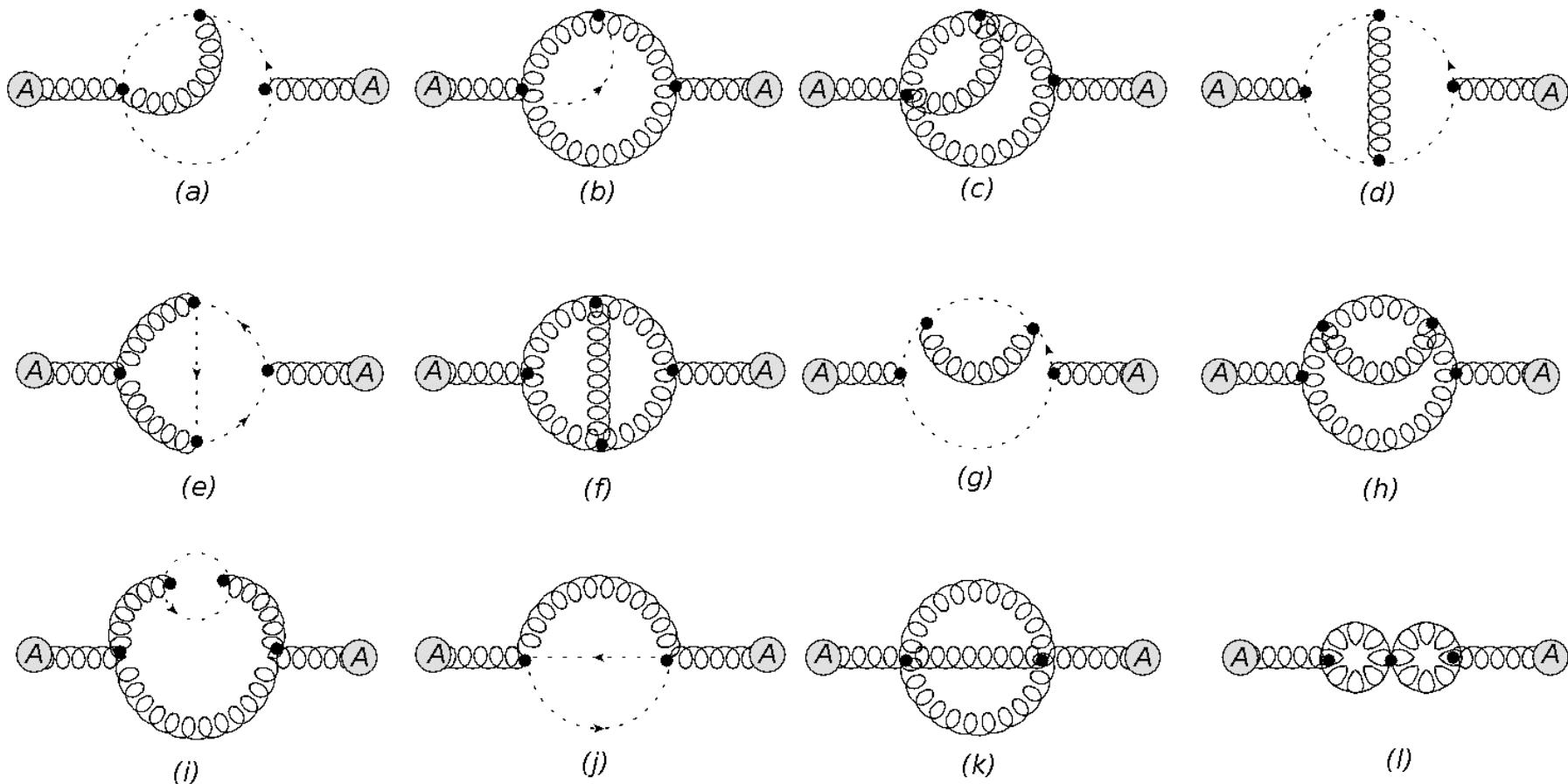
- We only need the gluon self-energy diagrams.



$$+g^2 C_A \delta_{mn} \times \left[\left(+\frac{1}{3} k^2 g_{\mu\nu} I_{log}(\Lambda^2) \right) - \left(\frac{1}{3} k_\mu k_\nu I_{log}(\Lambda^2) \right) \right]$$

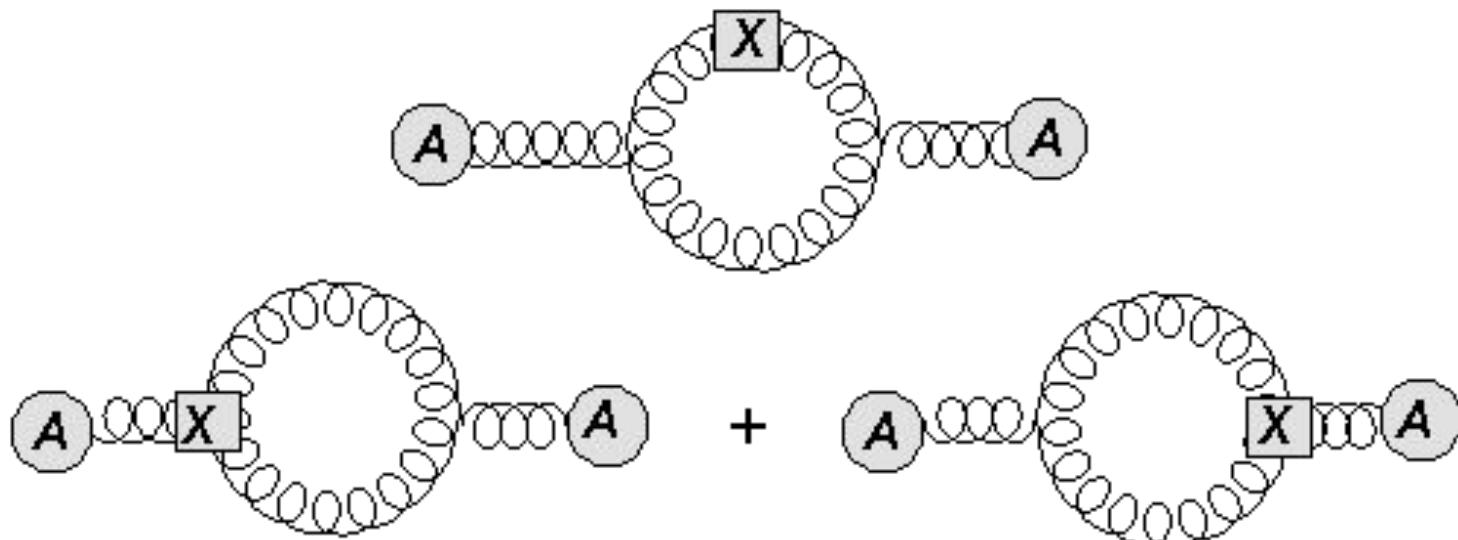
$$+g^2 C_A \delta_{mn} \times \left[\left(\frac{10}{3} k^2 g_{\mu\nu} I_{log}(\Lambda^2) \right) - \left(\frac{10}{3} k_\mu k_\nu I_{log}(\Lambda^2) \right) \right]$$

$$Z_{\hat{A}} = 1 + g^2 C_A \frac{11}{3} I_{log}(\Lambda^2) \Lambda^2 \quad \xrightarrow{\beta = -\frac{11C_A}{3} \frac{g^3}{(4\pi)^2}}$$



Pure Yang-Mills at 2-loop
Results on table 4.1 for IREG and
4.3 for DS

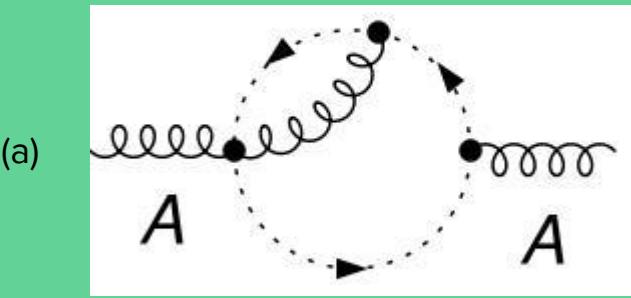
$$\frac{ig_s^4 C_A^2 \delta^{ab}}{(4\pi)^4} [Ag_{\mu\nu}p^2 - Bp_\mu p_\nu]$$



Gauge-fixing renormalization diagrams

(Remember, we chose Feynman gauge $\alpha = 1$)

Results on table 4.2 for IREG and
4.4 for DS



$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{i g_s^4 C_A^2 \delta^{ab}}{(4\pi)^4} \left(\frac{1}{3b} I_{log}^{(2)}(\Lambda^2) - \frac{1}{3b^2} I_{log}^2(\Lambda^2) + \frac{1}{3b} \rho_{IREG} \right) [g_{\mu\nu} p^2 - p_\mu p_\nu] + \\
 & \left[\frac{-29}{18b} I_{log}(\Lambda^2) g_{\mu\nu} p^2 - \frac{-17}{18b} I_{log}(\Lambda^2) p_\mu p_\nu \right]
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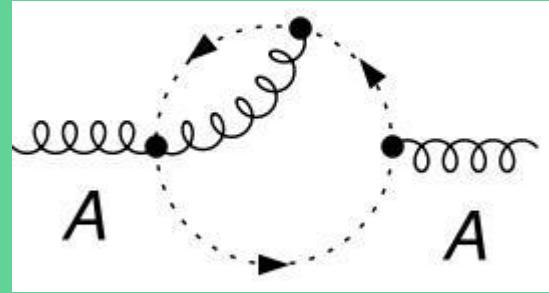
IREG

Apart from minus a sign and b, they have the same coefficient

$$\frac{ig_s^4 C_A^2 \delta^{ab}}{(4\pi)^4} \left(\frac{1}{3b} I_{log}^{(2)}(\Lambda^2) - \frac{1}{3b^2} I_{log}^2(\Lambda^2) + \frac{1}{3b} \rho_{IREG} \right) [g_{\mu\nu} p^2 - p_\mu p_\nu] +$$

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Not transverse individually, just in the sum of all diagrams



Non-local term
 $\rho_{IREG} = I_{log}(\Lambda^2) \ln \left[-\frac{p^2}{\Lambda^2} \right]$

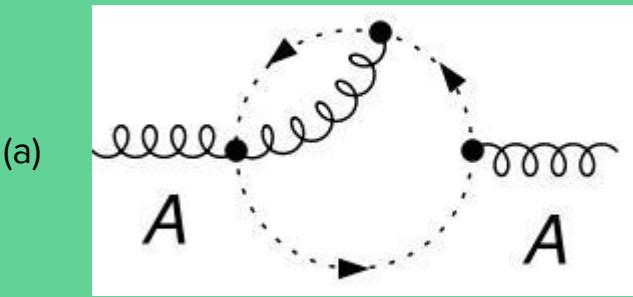
$$[g_{\mu\nu} p^2 - p_\mu p_\nu] +$$

Was this correlation expected? yes

$$\frac{ig_s^4 C_A^2 \delta^{ab}}{(4\pi)^4} \left(-\frac{12}{b} I_{log}^{(2)}(\Lambda^2) + \frac{6}{b^2} I_{log}^2(\Lambda^2) + \frac{70}{3b} I_{log}(\Lambda^2) \right) [g_{\mu\nu} p^2 - p_\mu p_\nu]$$

Total of the divergent contributions at 2-loop with IREG

DS



$$\frac{ig_s^4 C_A^2 \delta^{ab}}{(4\pi)^4} \left[\underbrace{\left(\left[\frac{1}{6\epsilon^2} \right] + \frac{-13 + [4\rho]}{12\epsilon} \right)}_{\text{A}} g_{\mu\nu} p^2 - \underbrace{\left(\left[\frac{1}{6\epsilon^2} \right] + \frac{-9 + [4\rho]}{12\epsilon} \right)}_{\text{B}} p_\mu p_\nu \right]$$

A

B

$$\rho = \gamma_E - \ln 4\pi + \ln(p^2/\mu_{DR}^2)$$

Non-local term

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Total of the divergent contributions at 2-loop with DS

Summary of results

$$Z_A = 1 + \frac{g^2}{(4\pi)^2} Z_A^{(1)} + \frac{g^4}{(4\pi)^4} Z_A^{(2)}$$

Renormalisation function of the external gauge boson

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(just to remember!)

DS

$$Z_A^{(1)}|_{\text{DS}} = \frac{11C_A}{3\epsilon}, \quad Z_A^{(2)}|_{\text{DS}} = \frac{17C_A^2}{3\epsilon}$$



$$\beta_0 = \epsilon Z_A^{(1)}, \quad \beta_1 = 2\epsilon Z_A^{(2)}$$



IREG

$$Z_A^{(1)}|_{\text{IREG}} = \frac{11}{3b} C_A I_{log}(\Lambda^2)$$

$$Z_A^{(2)}|_{\text{IREG}} = \left(-\frac{12}{b} I_{log}^{(2)}(\Lambda^2) + \frac{6}{b^2} I_{log}^2(\Lambda^2) + \frac{70}{3b} I_{log}(\Lambda^2) \right) C_A^2$$



$$\beta_0 = -\frac{1}{2} \Lambda \frac{\partial}{\partial \Lambda} Z_A^{(1)}$$

$$\beta_1 = -\frac{1}{2} \Lambda \frac{\partial}{\partial \Lambda} Z_A^{(2)}$$



$$\beta|_{\text{DS}} = -g_R \left[\frac{11}{3} C_A \left(\frac{\tilde{g}_R}{4\pi} \right)^2 + \frac{34}{3} C_A^2 \left(\frac{\tilde{g}_R}{4\pi} \right)^4 \right]$$

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Conclusions and Perspectives

Conclusions

- The approach we used to handle the **UV-div** is through the technique of IREG.
- We calculated the β -function to 2-loop order for a non-abelian theory in a quadri-dimensional framework.
- We have obtained the renormalization constants by conducting the subtraction of subdivergences within IREG and compared with DReg and DRED.
- Evaluating the BDI's of IREG in $4-2\epsilon$ dimensions at the end of the calculation does not yield the same residues for the DS poles of arbitrary orders.
- We have shown that a systematic summation among different contributions from Feynman graphs and counterterms renders an identical result for DReg and DRED.



Perspectives

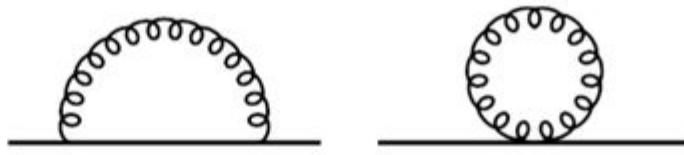
- To pursue the IREG program to apply it to precision calculations, it is important to evaluate the quark mass anomalous dimension.
- The anomalous dimensions describe the deviation of the scaling laws of various operators considered as a function of the running scales.
- To complete our 2-loop project, we will perform the calculation of the 2-loop quark mass anomalous dimension (γ_m -function) in QCD within a mass-independent regularization scheme in the BFM.
- This quantity depends on the renormalization scheme used.



Perspectives



- This result will be derived by a direct calculation of the relevant Feynman diagrams in IREG.



$$\gamma_m^{\bar{M}S}(\mu) = \frac{\mu}{m^{\bar{M}S}} \frac{\partial m^{MS}}{\partial \mu} = -\beta^{\bar{M}S}(\mu) \frac{\partial \ln Z_m^{MS}}{\partial g^{\bar{M}S}}$$
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Thank you!



Questions



Backup slides

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LO

Born level cross-section

$$\hat{\sigma} \propto |A|^2$$

NLO

1-loop level cross-section

$$A = \alpha_s^n \left(A^{\text{tree}} + \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} A^{\text{1-loop}} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi}\right)^2 A^{\text{2-loop}} + \dots \right)$$

NNLO

2-loop level cross-section

Understanding the difficulties

01

Ultraviolet (UV-div) and **infrared (IR-div)** divergences are all-over beyond leading order in S-matrix calculations and must be wisely removed in order to automated computation codes for the evaluation of Feynman amplitudes.

02

A general cross section in QCD usually includes short and long-distance behaviour and thus it is not computable directly in perturbation theory.

$$\mathcal{M}_n\left(\frac{\mu}{\lambda_{IR}}, \frac{p_i}{\lambda_{UV}}, \alpha_s(\lambda_{UV})\right) = Z\left(\frac{\mu}{\lambda_{IR}}, \frac{p_i}{\lambda_{IR}}, \alpha_s(\lambda_{IR})\right) H_n\left(\frac{p_i}{\lambda_{UV}}, \frac{\lambda_{IR}}{\lambda_{UV}}, \alpha_s(\lambda_{UV})\right)$$

Superficial degree of UV-div divergence

$$\Delta = dl - 2p$$

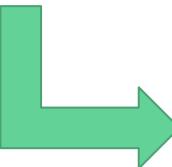
$$l = p - v + 1$$

$$p = \frac{nv - N}{2}$$

$$\Delta = d + \left[n \left(\frac{d-2}{2} \right) - d \right] v - \left(\frac{d-2}{2} \right) N$$

A simpler example: the renormalization of ϕ^4

$$\mathcal{L}_{\phi^4} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu \phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2}m^2 \phi^2 - \frac{g}{4!}\phi^4$$

 $\phi_0 = Z^{\frac{1}{2}} \phi_R,$
 $m_0^2 = Z_m m_R^2,$

$$g_0 = Z_g g_R$$

$$Z_\phi = 1 + A, \\ Z_\phi Z_m = 1 + B, \\ Z_\phi^2 Z_g = 1 + C$$

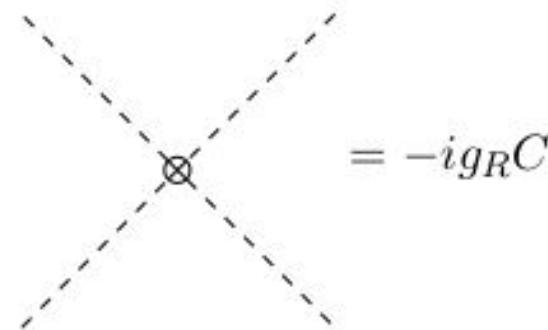
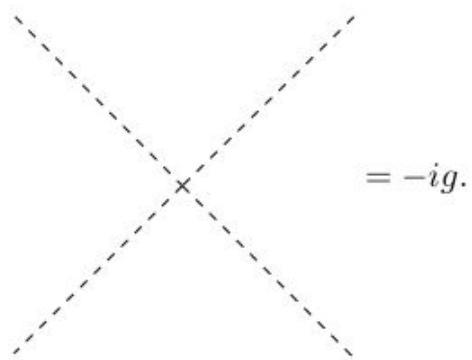
$$\mathcal{L}_{\phi_R^4} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu \phi_R)^2 - \frac{1}{2}m_R^2 \phi_R^2 - \frac{g_R}{4!}\phi_R^4 + \frac{1}{2}A(\partial_\mu \phi_R)^2 - \frac{1}{2}Bm_R^2 \phi_R^2 - \frac{g_R}{4!}C\phi_R^4$$

Free lagrangian and interaction term

Counterterms lagrangian

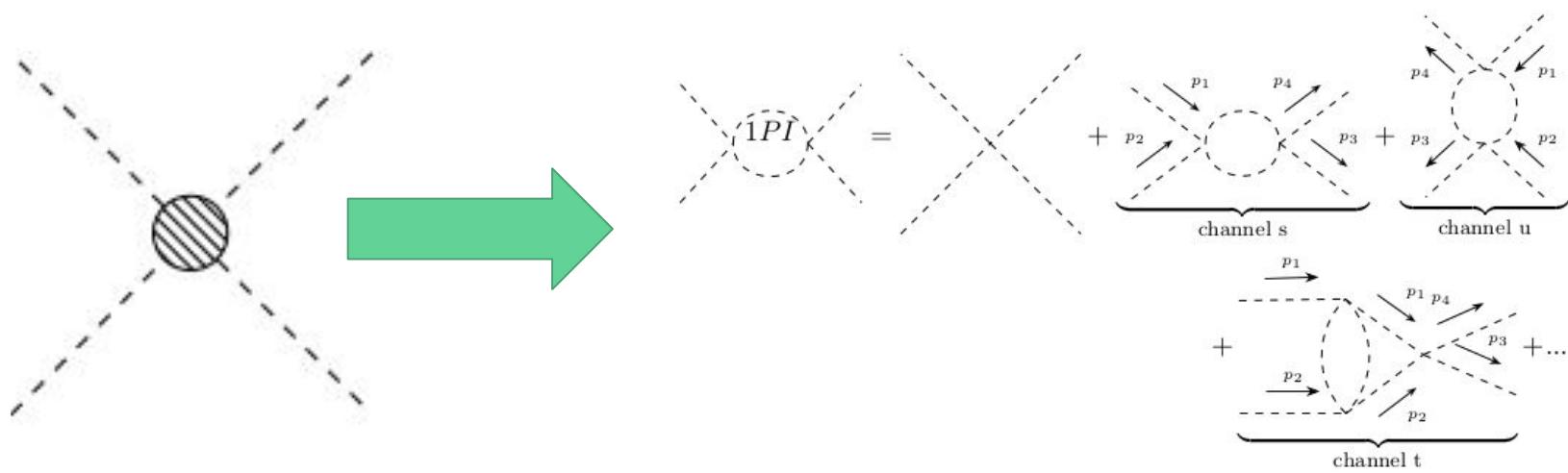
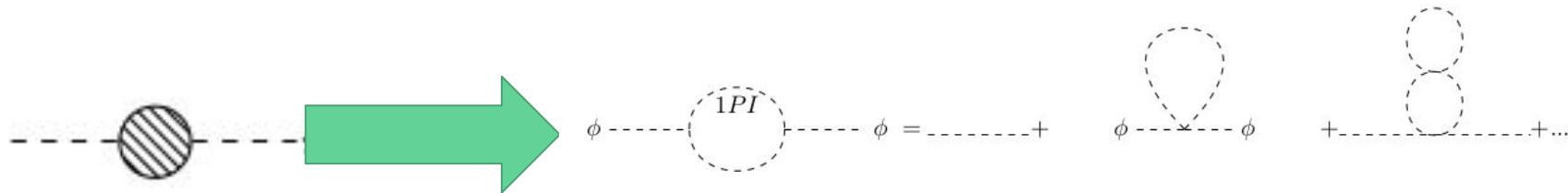
$$\text{---} \overset{\text{p}}{\text{---}} = \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2}.$$

$$\text{---} \otimes \text{---} = i(Ap^2 - Bm_R^2),$$



Rules from the Free lagrangian and interaction term

Rules from the counterterms lagrangian

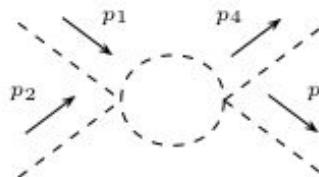


The only divergent amplitudes we can have for ϕ^4

$$(-\dots)^{-1} + \text{---} \circlearrowleft \text{---} + \text{---} \otimes \text{---}$$

After, we chose the renormalization scheme

Dimensional Regularization application example



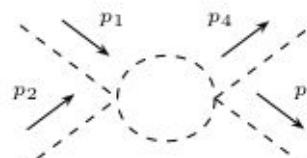
$$= \frac{1}{2} g^2 \mu^{4-d} \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \underbrace{\frac{1}{(k^2 - m^2)}}_{B} \underbrace{\frac{1}{(k-p)^2 - m^2}}_{A}$$

↓

Using the Feynman parameters:

$$\frac{1}{A_1 A_2 \dots A_n} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dx_1 \dots dx_n \delta \left(\sum x_i - 1 \right) \frac{(n-1)!}{[x_1 A_1 + x_2 A_2 + \dots + x_n A_n]^n}$$

↓



$$= \frac{g \mu^{4-d}}{2} \int_0^1 dx \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{1}{(k^2 - \Delta)^2}.$$

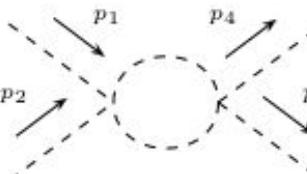
Here we did a shift
into a new
momentum
 $k \rightarrow k + px$

$$\Delta^2 = m^2 - p^2 x (1-x)$$

Using:

$$\int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{1}{[k^2 - \Delta]^n} = \frac{(-1)^n}{(4\pi)^{d/2}} \frac{\Gamma(n - d/2)}{\Gamma(n)} \left(\frac{1}{\Delta} \right)^{n-d/2}$$

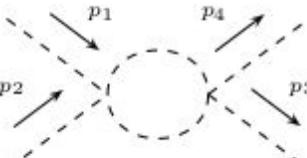
setting $d = 4 - 2\epsilon$


$$= \frac{g\mu^{2\epsilon}}{2} \int_0^1 dx \frac{i\Gamma(\epsilon)}{(4\pi)^2} (4\pi)^\epsilon \frac{1}{\Delta^\epsilon}.$$

↓

$$a^\epsilon = \exp^{\epsilon \ln a} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon) \qquad \qquad \Gamma(\epsilon) \equiv \frac{1}{\epsilon} - \gamma_E + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$$




$$= \frac{ig^2}{32\pi^2\epsilon} - \frac{ig^2}{32\pi^2} \int_0^1 dx \left[\ln \left(\frac{m^2 - x(1-x)s}{4\pi\mu^2} \right) + \gamma_E \right] + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$$

Dimensional Reduction (DRED)

- Modifications on DReg can lead to additional terms at the Lagrangian level, such as the **ϵ -scalar** particles.

$$\mathcal{A}_4 = \underbrace{\mathcal{A}_d}_{4-2\epsilon} + \underbrace{\mathcal{A}_N}_{2\epsilon} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}^{(4)} = \mathcal{L}^{(d)} + \mathcal{L}^{(2\epsilon)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{(\epsilon)} = & -\frac{1}{2}(\partial^i \mathcal{G}_a^\rho)^2 + g f_{abc} (\partial^i \mathcal{G}_a^\rho) G_{bi} \mathcal{G}_{cp} - g (T_a)_{kl} \mathcal{G}_a^\rho \bar{\psi}_k \gamma_\rho \psi_l \\ & - \frac{1}{2} g^2 f_{abc} f_{ade} G_b^i \mathcal{G}_c^\rho G_{di} \mathcal{G}_{ep} \\ & - \frac{1}{4} g^2 f_{abc} f_{ade} \mathcal{G}_b^\rho \mathcal{G}_c^\sigma \mathcal{G}_{dp} \mathcal{G}_{es}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.8)$$

Körner, J.G., Tung, M.M. Dimensional reduction methods in QCD. Z. Phys. C - Particles and Fields 64, 255–265 (1994).
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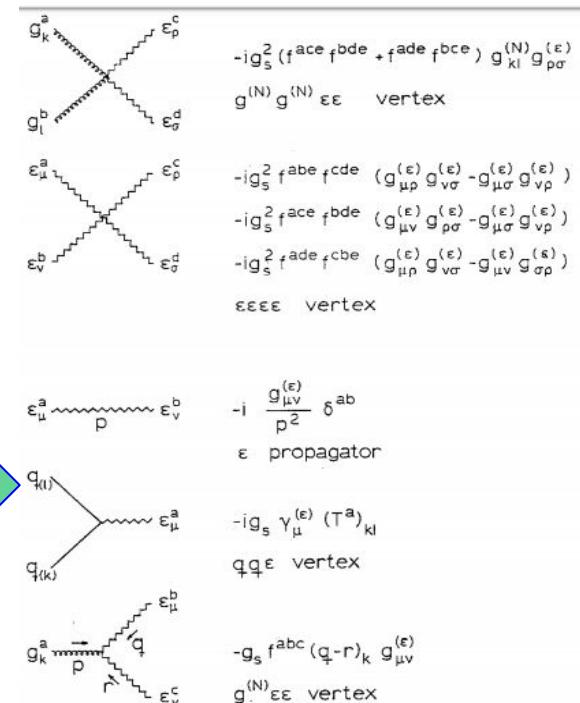
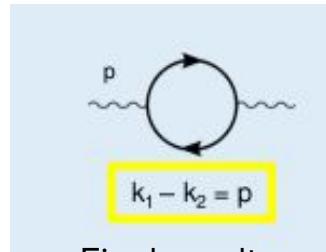


Fig. 1. Feynman rules for ϵ -scalars (all momenta flow into the vertices)

Momentum Routing Invariance and Gauge Invariance



Final result:

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu} = \tilde{\Pi}_{\mu\nu} + 4 \left(Y_{\mu\nu}^2 - \frac{1}{2}(k_1^2 + k_2^2) Y_{\mu\nu}^0 + \frac{1}{3}(k_1^\alpha k_1^\beta + k_2^\alpha k_2^\beta + k_1^\alpha k_2^\beta) Y_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}^0 \right. \\ \left. - (k_1 + k_2)^\alpha (k_1 + k_2)_\mu Y_{\nu\alpha}^0 - \frac{1}{2}(k_1^\alpha k_1^\beta + k_2^\alpha k_2^\beta) g_{\mu\nu} Y_{\alpha\beta}^0 \right) \text{ where}$$

$\Upsilon = 0 \text{ MRI}$

It depends explicitly of $k_1 - k_2 \rightarrow$ routing invariance

$$\tilde{\Pi}_{\mu\nu} = \frac{4}{3} \left((k_1 - k_2)^2 g_{\mu\nu} - (k_1 - k_2)_\mu (k_1 - k_2)_\nu \right) \left(I_{log}(\mu^2) - \frac{i}{(4\pi)^2} \left(\frac{5}{3} + \ln \frac{-(k_1 - k_2)^2}{\mu^2} \right) \right)$$

Scale relation

IR diverg. eliminated

Ward Identity: $(k_1 - k_2)_\mu \Pi_{\mu\nu} = 0 \text{ (massless photon)}$

Background Field Method (BFM)-details

$$S^{YM}(Q) = -1/4 \int d^4x (F_{\mu\nu}^a)^2$$

$$Z(J) = \int \mathcal{D}_Q \det \left(\frac{\delta G^a}{\delta w^b} \right) \exp^{i(S^{YM}(Q) - 1/2\alpha G \cdot G + J \cdot Q)},$$

$$G \cdot G \equiv \int d^4x G^a G^a.$$

$$J \cdot Q \equiv \int d^4x J_\mu^a Q_\mu^a$$

Review of Functional Methods

- The BFM relies on functional methods in field theory. Therefore it is necessary to do a reviewing of the standard functional techniques.



- Green's functions are determined by taking functional derivatives with respect to the source function J of the generating functional.

$$Z[J] = \int \delta Q \exp i[S[Q] + \int d^4x J \cdot Q]$$

- The Green's functions are defined by:

$$\int \delta(Q \dots Q) e^{iS[Q]} = \langle 0 | Q \dots Q | 0 \rangle = \left(\frac{1}{i} \frac{\delta}{\delta J} \right)^n Z[J]$$

J=0

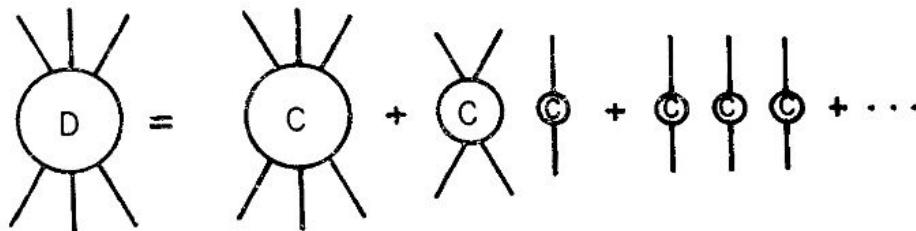


Fig. 1. The relation between connected and disconnected graphs. D = disconnected, C = connected

- As the disconnected pieces of Green's functions don't contribute to the S-matrix, it's better to work only with connected Green's functions.

$$W[J] = -i \ln(Z[J])$$

- We can show graphically how disconnected pieces can be removed just by taking $\ln(Z[J])$. For that, we constructed the first few Green functions from previous Eq.

$$W[J] = -i \ln(Z[J])$$

$$\frac{\delta W[J]}{\delta J} = \frac{\delta}{\delta J} (-i \ln(Z[J])) = -i \frac{1}{Z[J]} \frac{\delta}{\delta J} Z[J] = \frac{1}{\langle 0|0 \rangle} \langle 0|Q|0 \rangle$$

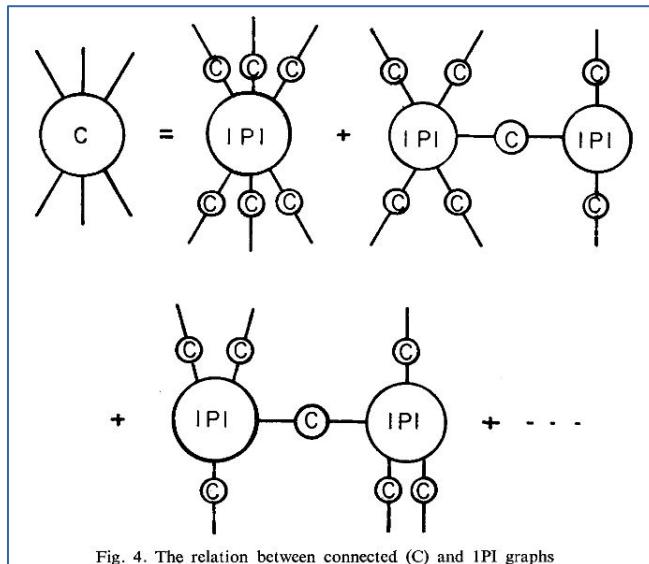
For the 2nd derivative:

$$\frac{1}{i} \frac{\delta^2 W[J]}{\delta J^2} = \left[\frac{\langle 0|T\{QQ\}|0 \rangle}{\langle 0|0 \rangle} - \left(\frac{\langle 0|Q|0 \rangle}{\langle 0|0 \rangle} \right)^2 \right]$$



Fig. 2. The relation between the connected (C) and disconnected (D) two-point functions

- We can further simplify these expressions by write the connected Green's functions in terms of 1PI.



- The 1PI Green's function are generated by the **effective action**.

$$\Gamma[\bar{Q}] = W[J] - J \cdot \bar{Q}$$

$\bar{Q} \neq Q = \frac{\delta W}{\delta J}$

BFM: non-gauge theory

$$\Gamma[\bar{Q}] \rightarrow S\text{-matrix}$$

- The BFM compute the effective action. Let us consider a non-gauge theories. For them, the BFM is identical to the conventional “field-shifting” method.

Let us remember: $Z[J] = \int \delta Q \exp i[S[Q] + \int d^4x J \cdot Q]$

And define the analogous quantity:

Classical action

$$\widetilde{Z}[J, \Phi] = \int \delta Q \exp i[S[Q + \Phi] + J \cdot Q]$$

By the same analogy: $W[J] = -i \ln(Z[J]) \longrightarrow \tilde{W}[J, \Phi] = -i \ln(Z[\tilde{J}, \Phi])$

Using all these definition:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\Gamma}[\tilde{Q}, \Phi] &= \tilde{W}[J, \Phi] - J \cdot \tilde{Q} \\ \tilde{W}[J, \Phi] &= W[J] - J \cdot \Phi \\ \tilde{Q} &= \bar{Q} - \Phi\end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{\Gamma}[\tilde{Q}, \Phi] = \Gamma[\bar{Q}]$$

$$\tilde{\Gamma}[\tilde{Q}, \Phi] = \Gamma[\tilde{Q} + \Phi]$$

BF effective action

$$\tilde{Q} = 0$$

- As you can see, the BFM allows you to compute the effective action by summing only vacuum graphs.

$$\tilde{\Gamma}[0, \Phi] = \Gamma[\Phi]$$

$$\frac{\delta \tilde{\Gamma}[\tilde{Q}, \Phi]}{\delta \tilde{Q}} \rightarrow$$

1PI Green's function in the presence of
a BF

$$\tilde{\Gamma}[0, \Phi] \rightarrow$$

Generates no graphs with external lines

How we compute the effective action? Abbott's approach is to treat the BF Φ perturbatively:

1. Consider 1PI vacuum graphs of Q with Φ fields appearing as external lines.
2. Then you can use $S[Q+\Phi]$ to compute the Feynman Rules.



So, what happened with the gauge theories?

- Shifting the integration variable in the functional integral, gives analogous expressions for the gauge theory as we did for the non-gauge one.

$$\tilde{\Gamma}[\tilde{Q}, \Phi] = \Gamma[\tilde{Q} + \Phi]$$

$$\tilde{\Gamma}[\tilde{Q}, A] = \Gamma[\tilde{Q} + A]$$

$$\tilde{\Gamma}[0, \Phi] = \Gamma[\Phi]$$

$$\tilde{\Gamma}[0, A] = \Gamma[A]$$

- The BF effective action with the background gauge field and all the external legs, is a generating functional for 1PI graphs in a particular gauge.
- The BFM retains explicit gauge invariance, there's a choice of the gauge fixing term for which the BF effective action in a non-abelian theory is a gauge invariant functional of A , that gauge choice is:

$$\tilde{G}^a = \partial_\mu Q_\mu^a + g f^{abc} A_\mu^b Q_\mu^c$$

- With this choice $Z[J, A]$ is invariant under:

$$\delta A_\mu^a = -f^{abc} w^b A_\mu^c + \frac{1}{g} \partial_\mu w^a$$

$$\delta J_\mu^a = -f^{abc} w^b J_\mu^c$$

So, what happened with the gauge theories?

$$\tilde{\Gamma}[0, A] = \Gamma[A]$$



It's a gauge invariant function of A .

$$\frac{\delta \tilde{\Gamma}[0, A]}{\delta A}$$

Green's function will obey Ward identities of gauge invariance

BFM: main points

- BFM is useful to compute the effective action of a pure YM theory by expanding the field around a classical BF.
- In the BFM a gauge is choose in order to make Green's functions gauge invariant and respect Ward identities like the ones in QED. These relations makes that the knowledge of 2-point functions is the only one necessary to compute the β -function and simplifies calculations.

The renormalization group equations

- Green's functions for the bare ϕ^4 lagrangian:

$$\Gamma_0^{(n)}(p_1, \dots, p_n; m_0, g_0)$$

Coupling constant

- Green's functions for the ϕ^4 counterterm lagrangian: $\Gamma^{(n)}(p_1, \dots, p_n; m_R(\lambda), g_R(\lambda), \lambda)$

Scaled parameter

Still, they are the same theory.

- Both of them are the same Green's function related by:

$$\Gamma_0^{(n)}(p_1, \dots, p_n; m_0, g_0) = Z_\Gamma^{-1} \Gamma^{(n)}(p_1, \dots, p_n; m_R(\lambda), g_R(\lambda), \lambda)$$

independent of the scaled parameter

Renor. const.

dependent of the scaled parameter

$$\underbrace{\Gamma_0^{(n)}(p_1, \dots, p_n; m_0, g_0)}_{\text{independent of the scaled parameter}} \xrightarrow{} \lambda \frac{d\Gamma_0^{(n)}}{d\lambda} = 0$$

$$\lambda \frac{d}{d\lambda} [Z_\Gamma^{-1} \Gamma^{(n)}(p_1, \dots, p_n; m_R(\lambda), g_R(\lambda), \lambda)] = 0$$



$$Z_\Gamma^{-1} = \left[-\lambda \frac{d \ln Z_\Gamma}{d\lambda} + \lambda \frac{\partial g_i}{\partial \lambda} \frac{\partial}{\partial g_i} + \lambda \frac{\partial m_i}{\partial \lambda} \frac{\partial}{\partial m_i} + \lambda \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} \right] \Gamma^{(n)} = 0$$

β -function

γ_m -function

$$Z_\Gamma^{-1} = \left[-\lambda \frac{d \ln Z_\Gamma}{d\lambda} + \lambda \frac{\partial g_i}{\partial \lambda} \frac{\partial}{\partial g_i} + \lambda \frac{\partial m_i}{\partial \lambda} \frac{\partial}{\partial m_i} + \lambda \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} \right] \Gamma^{(n)} = 0$$

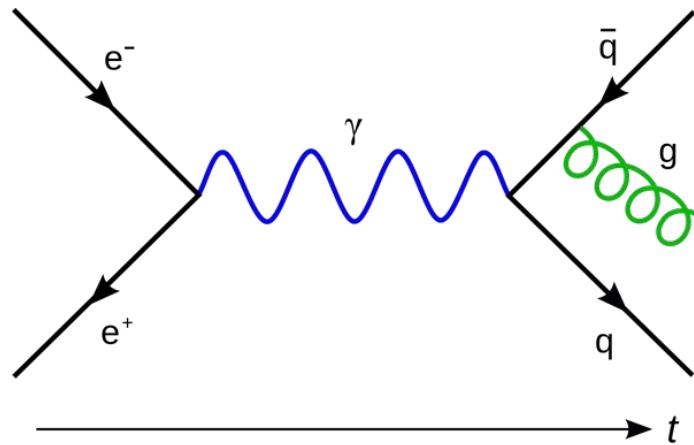
These partial derivatives equations are the renormalization group equations for renormalized Green functions. The whole group simply tell us about the scale dependence of the parameters in a renormalizable field theory.

Why not this type of contractions?



$$\int_{k,q} \frac{k.p}{k^2(k-p)^2q^2(k-q)^2} \Big|_{\text{IREG}} \neq \int_{k,q} \frac{k^2 + p^2 - (k-p)^2}{2k^2(k-p)^2q^2(k-q)^2} \Big|_{\text{IREG}}$$

IR-div: example



$$\int d\Phi_n |\mu|^2$$

- The gluon emitted in the process has a very low energy, so low that it will not be detected in the detector.
- Even upgrading the detector, it still has an energy limit that it cannot detect.
- At the level of theoretical calculation, this physical limit is not being considered. If so, you would be able to detect any gluon at any energy, no matter how low.
- These divergences are removed in the observables automatically. We don't need to renormalize them.

DS

IREG

$$I = \int_k \frac{1}{k^2(k-p)^2} \stackrel{\text{IREG}}{=} I_{log}(\Lambda^2) - b \ln\left[-\frac{p^2}{\Lambda^2}\right] + 2b.$$

DS

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$$\frac{i(4\pi)^\epsilon}{(4\pi)^2} \left(\frac{\mu^\epsilon}{\Lambda^\epsilon} \right) \Gamma(\epsilon)$$

DS

IREG

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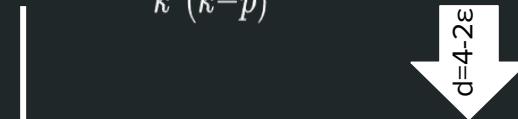


$$b \left[\frac{1}{\epsilon} - \gamma_E + \ln(4\pi) + \ln\left(\frac{\mu_{DR}^2}{\Lambda^2}\right) \right]$$

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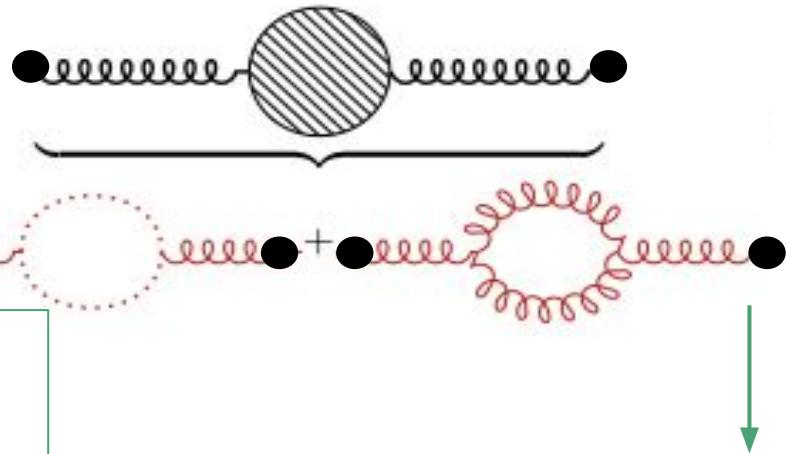


$$b \left[\frac{1}{\epsilon} - \gamma_E + \ln(4\pi) + \ln \left(\frac{\mu_{DR}^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) \right]$$

$$I \Big|_d = b \left[\frac{1}{\epsilon} - \gamma_E + \ln(4\pi) - \ln \left[-\frac{p^2}{\mu_{DR}^2} \right] + 2 \right].$$

Pure Yang-Mills at 1-loop with DS

- We only need the gluon self-energy diagrams.



$$\frac{ig^2 C_A \delta^{ab}}{(4\pi)^2} \left(\frac{1}{3\epsilon} \right) [g_{\mu\nu} k^2 - k_\mu k_\nu]$$

$$\frac{ig^2 C_A \delta^{ab}}{(4\pi)^2} \left(\frac{10}{3\epsilon} \right) [g_{\mu\nu} k^2 - k_\mu k_\nu]$$

$$Z_{\hat{A}} = 1 + \frac{11C_A}{3\epsilon} \frac{g^2}{(4\pi)^2} \quad \xrightarrow{\hspace{10em}} \quad \beta = -\frac{11C_A}{3} \frac{g^3}{(4\pi)^2}$$

$$\mathcal{A} = \int_{k,l} \mathcal{F}(l, k, p)$$

$$\mathcal{A} \supset \int_k G(k, p, \mu^2) \int_l F(l, k, p, \mu^2)$$

$$\mathcal{A} = \int_k G(k, p, \mu^2) \left[a_1 I_{log}(\lambda^2) - a_1 b \ln \left[-\frac{k^2}{\lambda^2} \right] + \bar{a}_2 \right]$$

Using:

$$\int_k G(k, p, \mu^2) \ln^n \left[-\frac{k^2}{\lambda^2} \right] = A_1 I_{log}^{(n+1)}(\mu^2) + \dots$$

Thus:

$$\mathcal{A} = \boxed{a_1 A_1} \left[I_{log}^2(\lambda^2) - b I_{log}(\lambda^2) \ln \left[-\frac{p^2}{\lambda^2} \right] - b I_{log}^{(2)}(\lambda^2) + \dots \right]$$

IREG rules are generalisable to 2-loop order

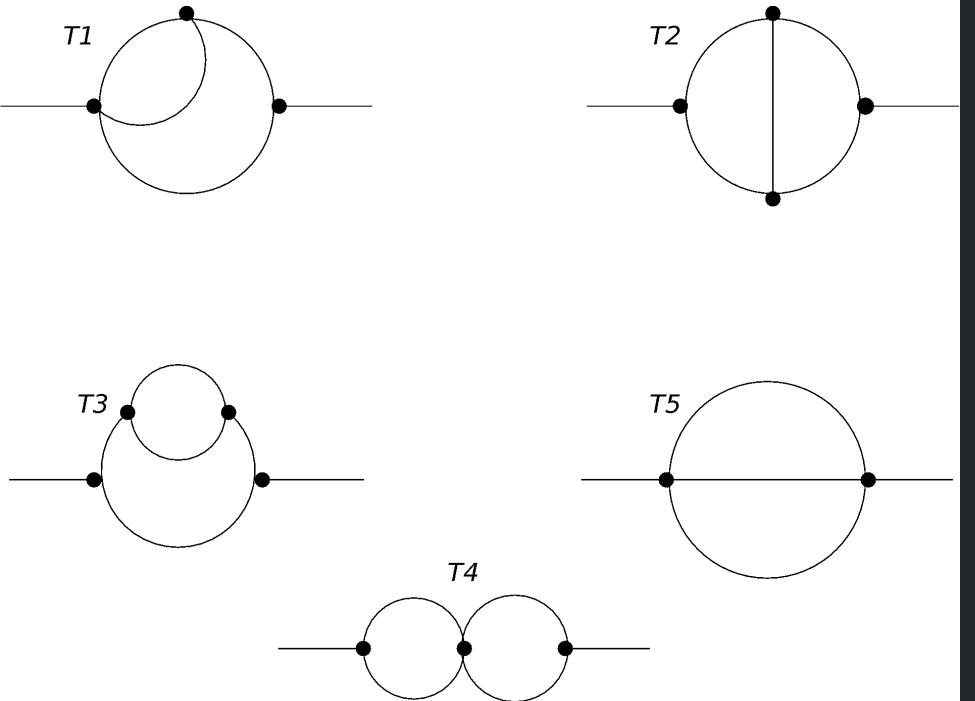
6. At 2-loop order the divergent content can be expressed in terms of BDI.

$$I_1^{(2)} = \int_k \frac{1}{k^2(k-p)^2} \ln \left(-\frac{k^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) \quad I_\mu^{(2)} = \int_k \frac{k_\mu}{k^2(k-p)^2} \ln \left(-\frac{k^2}{\Lambda^2} \right)$$

7. After removing external momenta with the algebraic identity, the divergent integrals are cast as:

$$I_{log}^{(2)}(\mu^2) \equiv \int_k \frac{1}{(k^2 - \mu^2)^2} \ln \left(-\frac{k^2 - \mu^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) \quad I_{log}^{(2)\nu_1 \dots \nu_{2r}}(\mu^2) \equiv \int_k \frac{k^{\nu_1} \dots k^{\nu_{2r}}}{(k^2 - \mu^2)^{r+1}} \ln \left(-\frac{k^2 - \mu^2}{\Lambda^2} \right)$$
$$I_{quad}^{(2)}(\mu^2) \equiv \int_k \frac{1}{(k^2 - \mu^2)} \ln \left(-\frac{k^2 - \mu^2}{\lambda^2} \right)$$

etc...



$$\mathcal{A}_{T1} \propto \int_{k,l} \frac{\mathcal{F}_{T1}^{\alpha\beta}(l,k,p)}{k^2(k-p)^2 l^2(l-k)^2}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{T2} \propto \int_{k,l} \frac{\mathcal{F}_{T2}^{\alpha\beta}(l,k,p)}{k^2(k-p)^2(k-l)^2 l^2(l-p)^2}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{T3} \propto \int_{k,l} \frac{\mathcal{F}_{T3}^{\alpha\beta}(l,k,p)}{k^4(k-p)^2 l^2(l-k)^2}$$

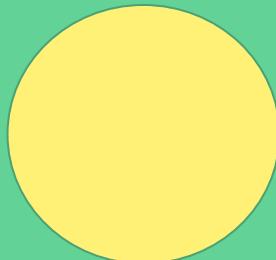
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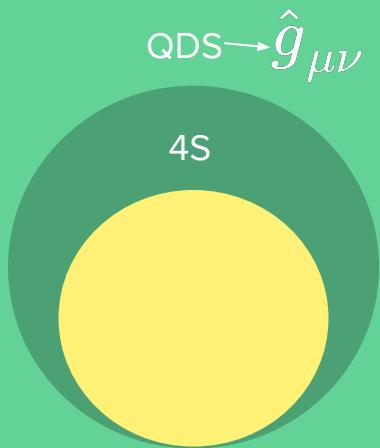
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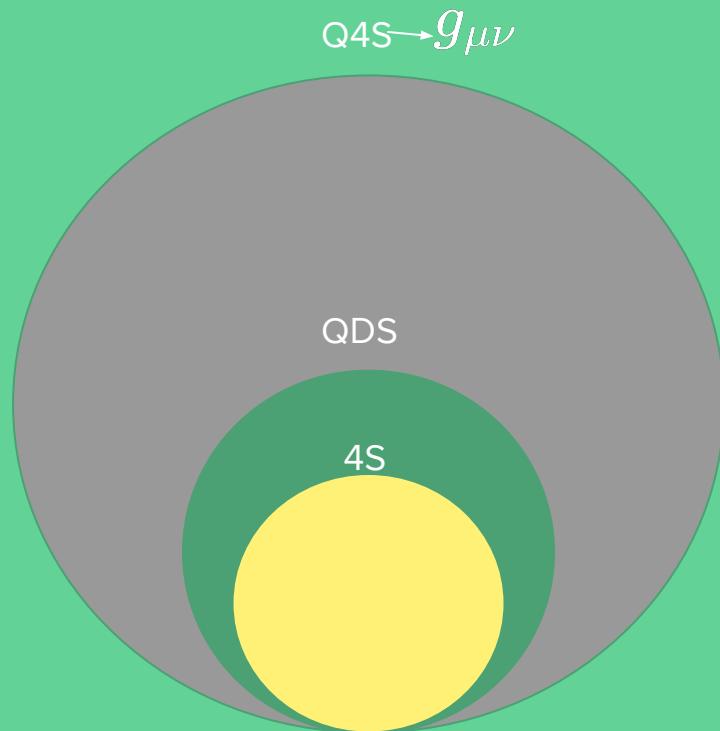


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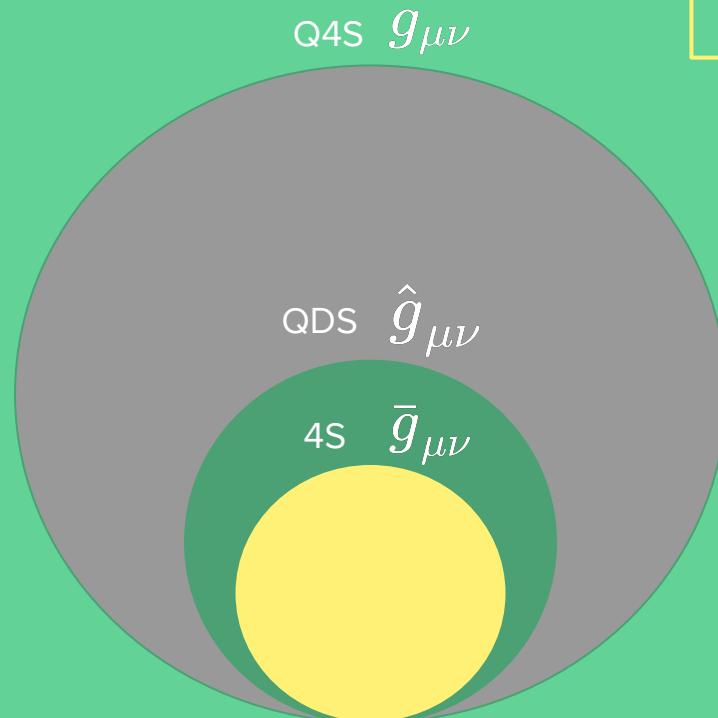


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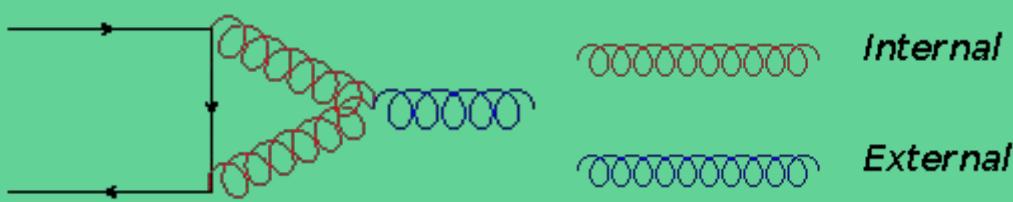
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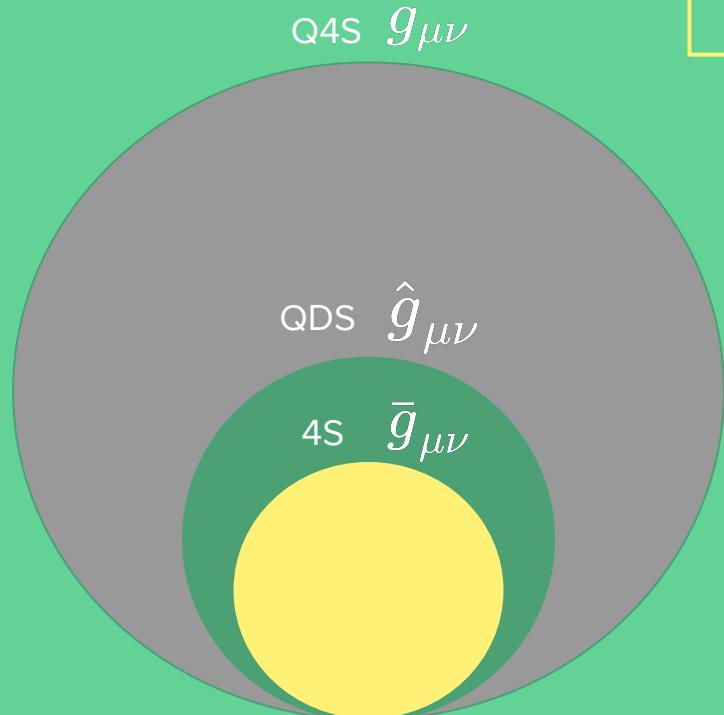
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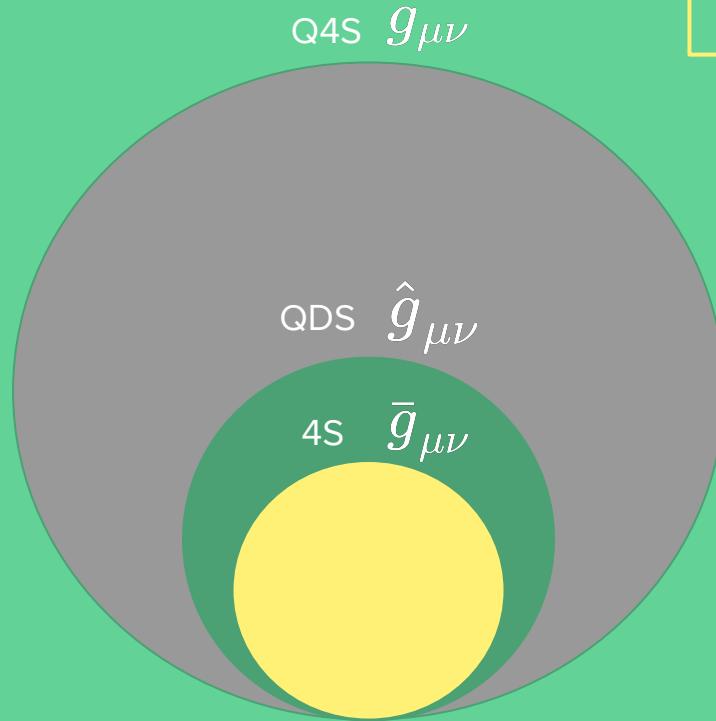
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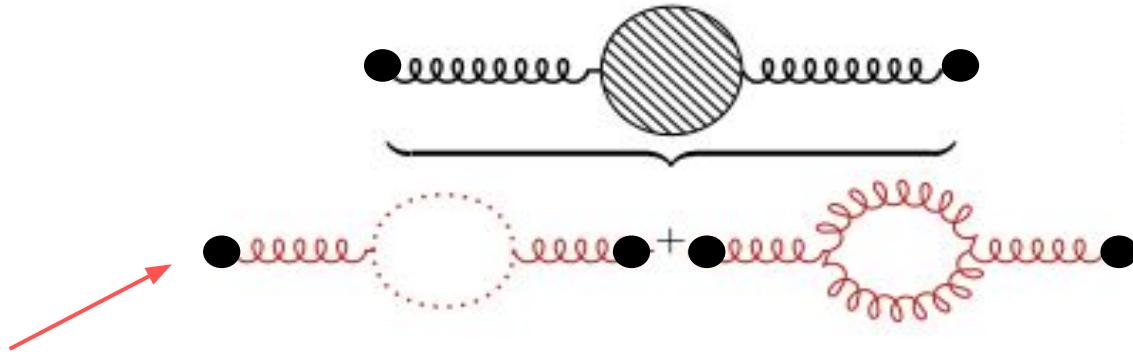
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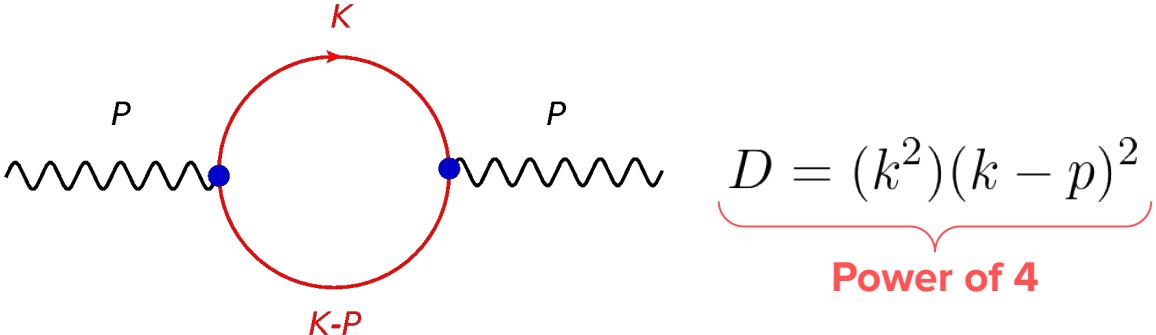
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Pure Yang-Mills at 1-loop

- The β -function can be determined by calculating the renormalization constant of the BF field.
- Therefore, we only need the gluon self-energy diagrams.





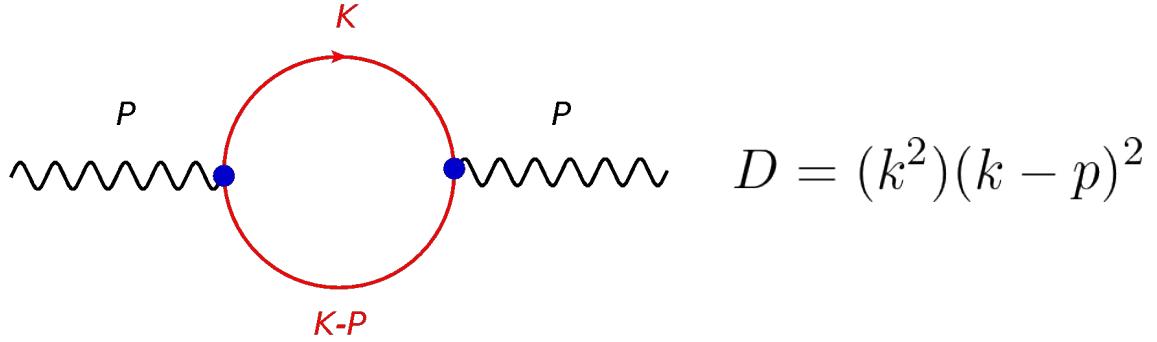
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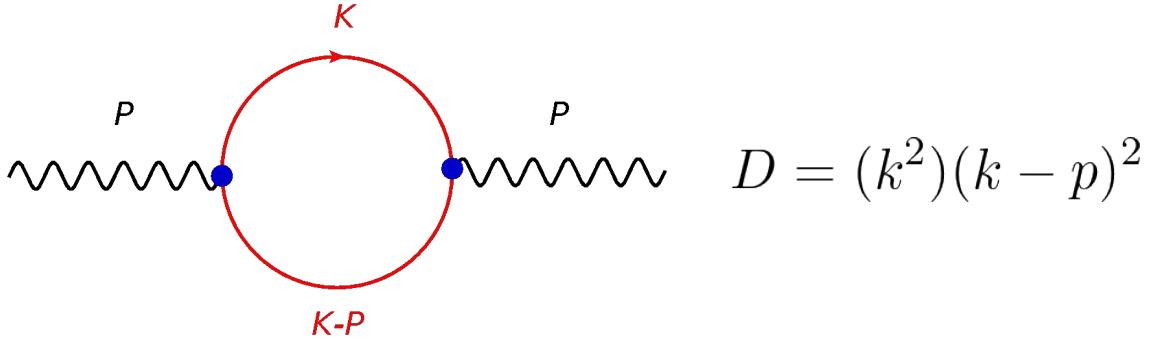
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When do we know that a diagram can be regularized?

Traditional dimensional schemes (DS): DReg and DRED

- DS are based on analytical continuations of the space: $4 \rightarrow d$ dimensions.
- In DS **UV-div** manifest as poles: $\frac{1}{\epsilon^n}$
- Dimensional regularization (DReg) analytically continues the integral into $d=4-2\epsilon$.
- Alternative schemes to DReg have been developed, such as dimensional reduction (DRED).



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$$\gamma_0^{\mu\nu} \propto g^{\mu\nu} (\alpha_1 - \alpha'_1)$$

arbitrary, reg.dep. →

Source of symmetry
breaking

Symmetric Integration is not valid in general in the integer dimension for *divergent integrals*.

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$$\int d^4k k^\sigma k_\alpha f(k^2) = \frac{1}{4} \delta_\alpha^\sigma \int d^4k k^2 f(k^2).$$