

# RI/MOM Scheme and Quasi PDF

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RI/MOM Scheme[Martinelli et al., 1995]

# Momentum Subtraction Schemes (MOM)

Recall procedure in continuum perturbation theory:

- example: renormalisation of the pseudoscalar density

$$P^a(x) = \bar{\psi}(x) \gamma_5 \frac{1}{2} \tau^a \psi(x):$$

- Correlation functions in momentum space with external quark states:

$$\langle \tilde{\psi}(p) \tilde{\bar{\psi}}(q) \rangle = (2\pi)^4 \delta(p + q) S(p) \quad \text{quark propagator}$$

$$\langle \tilde{\psi}(p) \tilde{P}^a(q) \tilde{\bar{\psi}}(p') \rangle = (2\pi)^4 \delta(p + q + p') S(p) \Gamma_P^a(p, q) S(p + q),$$

- At tree-level:

$$\Gamma_P^a(p, q)|_{\text{tree}} = \gamma_5 \frac{1}{2} \tau^a,$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{4} \sum_{b=1}^3 \text{tr} \left\{ \gamma_5 \tau^b \Gamma_P^a(p, q)|_{\text{tree}} \right\} = 1$$

- Renormalised fields:

$$\psi_R = Z_\psi \psi, \quad \bar{\psi}_R = Z_\psi \bar{\psi}, \quad P_R^a = Z_P P^a$$

$\Rightarrow$  renormalised vertex function:

$$\Gamma_{P,R}^a(p, q) = Z_P Z_\psi^{-2} \Gamma_P^a(p, q)$$

- typical MOM renormalisation condition (quark masses set to zero):

$$\Gamma_{P,R}^a(p, 0)|_{\mu^2=p^2} = \gamma_5 \frac{1}{2} \tau^a \quad \Rightarrow \quad Z_P Z_\psi^{-2}$$

- equivalently using “projector”:

$$\frac{1}{4} \sum_{b=1}^3 \text{tr} \left\{ \gamma_5 \tau^b \Gamma_{P,R}^a(p, 0)|_{\mu^2=p^2} \right\} = 1$$

- Determine  $Z_\psi$  either from propagator or use MOM scheme for vertex function of a conserved current

$$\Gamma_{V,R}(p, q) = Z_\psi^{-2} \Gamma_V(p, q)$$

# Summary: MOM schemes in the continuum

- Renormalisation conditions are imposed on vertex functions **in the gauge fixed theory** with external quark, gluon or ghost lines
- The vertex functions are taken in momentum space.
- A particular momentum configuration is chosen, such that the vertex function becomes a function of a single momentum  $p$ ; quark masses are set to zero
- MOM condition: a renormalised vertex function at subtraction scale  $\mu^2 = p^2$  equals its tree-level expression
- Can also be used to define a renormalised gauge coupling: take vertex function of either the 3-gluon vertex, the quark-gluon vertex or the ghost-gluon vertex.
- Renormalisation constants depend on the chosen gauge! Need wave function renormalisation for quark, gluon and ghost fields.

# RI/MOM Schemes (RI = Regularisation Independent; MOM = Momentum Subtraction)

[Martinelli et al '95]: mimick the procedure in perturbation theory:

- choose Landau gauge

$$\partial_\mu A_\mu = 0$$

can be implemented on the lattice by a minimisation procedure

- RI/MOM schemes are very popular: many major collaborations use it because
  - it is straightforward to implement on the lattice; many improvements over the years regarding algorithmic questions
  - it can be used on the very same gauge configurations which are produced for hadronic physics
- Regularisation Independence (RI) means: correlation functions of a renormalised operator do not depend on the regularisation used (up to cutoff effects).

- Suppose we have calculated a renormalised hadronic matrix element of the multiplicatively renormalisable operator  $O$

$$\mathcal{M}_O(\mu) = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \langle h | O_R(\mu) | h' \rangle$$

- Provided  $\mu$  is in the perturbative regime, one may evaluate the MOM scheme in **continuum perturbation theory** and evolve to a different scale:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{M}_O(\mu') &= U(\mu', \mu) \mathcal{M}_O(\mu), \\ U(\mu', \mu) &= \exp \left\{ \int_{\bar{g}(\mu)}^{\bar{g}(\mu')} \frac{\gamma_O(g)}{\beta(g)} dg \right\}\end{aligned}$$

- N.B. Continuum perturbation theory is available to 3-loops in some cases!



# RI/MOM schemes, what could go wrong?

- The scale  $\mu$  could be too low; need to hope for a “window”

$$\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \ll \mu \ll a^{-1}$$

In practice scales are often too low: non-perturbative effects (e.g. pion poles, condensates) are then eliminated by fitting to expected functional form (from OPE in fixed gauge);

⇒ errors are difficult to quantify!

- Gribov copies: the (Landau) gauge condition does not have a unique solution on the full gauge orbit
- Perturbative calculations are made using
  - infinite volume
  - vanishing quark masses

⇒ inconvenient for numerical simulations especially in full QCD.

- Wilson quarks: a priori cutoff effects are  $O(a)$  even in on-shell  $O(a)$  improved theory.

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Questions?

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