

The two-point function of noncommutative ϕ_4^4 -theory

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Introduction

- The **Standard Model** is a **perturbatively renormalisable quantum field theory**.
- Scattering amplitudes can be computed as **formal power series in coupling constants such as $e^2 \approx \frac{1}{137}$** .
The first terms agree to high precision with experiment.
- The **radius of convergence in e^2 is zero!**
We are far away from understanding the Standard Model (see e.g. confinement).

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QFT's on **noncommutative geometries** may provide toy models for **non-perturbative renormalisation** in four dimensions.

ϕ_4^4 -theory on Moyal space with oscillator potential

action functional

$$S[\phi] = \int d^4x \left(\frac{1}{2} \phi \star (-\Delta + \Omega^2 \tilde{x}^2 + \mu^2) \phi + \frac{\lambda}{4} \phi \star \phi \star \phi \star \phi \right) (x)$$

Moyal product \star defined by Θ and $\tilde{x} := 2\Theta^{-1} \cdot x$

parameters: $\mu^2, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+$, $\Omega \in [0, 1]$, redef'n $\phi \mapsto Z^{\frac{1}{2}} \phi$, $Z \in \mathbb{R}_+$

- **renormalisable as formal power series** in λ [Grosse-W.]
means: well-defined **perturbative** quantum field theory
- **β -function vanishes to all orders** in λ for $\Omega = 1$
[Disertori-Gurau-Magnen-Rivasseau]
means: model is believed to exist **non-perturbatively**

Up to the sign of μ^2 , this model arises from a **spectral triple**.

The matrix basis of noncommutative Moyal space

$$(f \star g)(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d} \frac{dy dk}{(2\pi)^d} f(x + \frac{1}{2} \Theta \cdot k) g(x+y) e^{iky}$$

- central observation (in 2D):

$$f_{00} := 2e^{-\frac{1}{\theta}(x_1^2 + x_2^2)} \Rightarrow f_{00} \star f_{00} = f_{00}$$

- left and right creation operators applied to f_{00} lead to

$$f_{mn}(\rho, \varphi) = 2(-1)^m \sqrt{\frac{m!}{n!}} e^{i\varphi(n-m)} \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{\theta}} \rho\right)^{n-m} e^{-\frac{\rho^2}{\theta}} L_m^{n-m} \left(\frac{2}{\theta} \rho^2\right)$$

- \star -product becomes simple matrix product:

$$f_{mn} \star f_{kl} = \delta_{nk} f_{ml}, \quad \int d^2x f_{mn}(x) = \sqrt{\det(2\pi\Theta)} \delta_{mn}$$

- $(-\Delta + \Omega^2 \tilde{x}^2 + \mu^2) f_{mn}$

$$= \left(\mu^2 + \frac{2}{\theta}(1 + \Omega^2)(m+n+1)\right) f_{mn}(x)$$

$$- \frac{2}{\theta}(1 - \Omega^2) \left(\sqrt{mn} f_{m-1, n-1} + \sqrt{(m+1)(n+1)} f_{m+1, n+1}\right)$$

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We are interested in $\mathbb{N}_\Lambda^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}^2$. Correlation functions ill-defined unless $S[\phi]$ is a suitably divergent function of Λ :

$$S[\phi] = \sum_{m, n \in \mathbb{N}_\Lambda^2} \frac{1}{2} \phi_{mn} H_{mn} \phi_{nm} + V(\phi)$$

$$H_{mn} = Z(\mu_{bare}^2 + |m| + |n|), \quad V(\phi) = \frac{Z^2 \lambda}{4} \sum_{m, n, k, l \in \mathbb{N}_\Lambda^2} \phi_{mn} \phi_{nk} \phi_{kl} \phi_{lm}$$

with $|m| = m_1 + m_2$ and divergent $\mu_{bare}[\Lambda, \lambda], Z[\Lambda, \lambda]$.

There is no separate Λ -dependence in λ !

Ward identity

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perturbation trick $\phi_{mn} \mapsto \frac{\delta}{\delta J_{nm}}$

$$\begin{aligned}
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 &\quad \left. \times \exp \left(-V \left(\frac{\delta}{\delta J} \right) \right) e^{\frac{1}{2} \sum_{p,q} J_{pq} H_{pq}^{-1} J_{qp}} \right\}_c
 \end{aligned}$$

Interpretation

The insertion of a special vertex $V_{ab}^{ins} := \sum_n (H_{an} - H_{nb}) \phi_{bn} \phi_{na}$

into an **external face of a ribbon graph** is the same as the difference between the exchanges of external sources

$J_{nb} \mapsto J_{na}$ and $J_{an} \mapsto J_{bn}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 Z(|a| - |b|) \text{ [diagram with loops]} &= \text{[diagram with } b \text{ inputs]} - \text{[diagram with } a \text{ inputs]} \\
 Z(|a| - |b|) G_{[ab]...}^{ins} &= G_{b...} - G_{a...}
 \end{aligned}$$

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- in other two graphs we open the p -face and compare with insertion into connected two-point function; it inserts
 - either into one-particle reducible line
 - or into 1PI function:

$$G_{[ap]b}^{ins} = \text{diagram}_p = \text{diagram}_p + \text{diagram}_p$$

- amputation of G_{ab} :
last two graphs together equal $Z^2\lambda \sum_p G_{ab}^{-1} G_{[ap]b}^{ins}$

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- We perform the renormalisation directly in the SD-equation for Γ_{ab} . The Z -factors are essential for that.
- Taylor: $\Gamma_{ab} = Z\mu_{bare}^2 - \mu^2 + (Z-1)(|a|+|b|) + \Gamma_{ab}^{ren}$
 $\Rightarrow G_{ab}^{-1} = H_{ab} - \Gamma_{ab} = |a| + |b| + \mu^2 - \Gamma_{ab}^{ren}$
- $\Gamma_{00}^{ren} = 0$ and $(\partial\Gamma^{ren})_{00} = 0$ determine μ_{bare}^2 and Z .

Integral representation

- We replace discrete indices $a, b, p \in \mathbb{N}^2$ by **continuous indices** $a, b, p \in (\mathbb{R}_+)^2$, and sums by integrals.
- This **captures the $\Lambda \rightarrow \infty$ behaviour** of the discrete version (or defines another interesting field theory).
- The mass-renormalised Schwinger-Dyson equation depends only on the length $|a| = a_1 + a_2$. **Partial derivatives $\frac{\partial}{\partial a_i}$ needed to extract Z are equal.** Therefore, Γ_{ab}^{ren} **depends only on $|a|$ and $|b|$.**

- Hence,
$$\int_{(\mathbb{R}_+)^2}^{(\Lambda)} dp_1 dp_2 f(|p|) = \int_0^\Lambda |p| d|p| f(|p|)$$

Mass renormalisation = subtraction at 0:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (Z - 1)(|a| + |b|) + \Gamma_{ab}^{ren} \\
 &= \lambda \int_0^\Lambda |p| d|p| \left(\frac{Z}{|b| + |p| + \mu^2 - \Gamma_{bp}^{ren}} + \frac{Z^2}{|a| + |p| + \mu^2 - \Gamma_{ap}^{ren}} - \frac{Z^2 + Z}{|p| + \mu^2 - \Gamma_{0p}^{ren}} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{Z}{|b| + |p| + \mu^2 - \Gamma_{bp}^{ren}} \frac{\Gamma_{bp}^{ren} - \Gamma_{ab}^{ren}}{|p| - |a|} + \frac{Z}{|p| + \mu^2 - \Gamma_{0p}^{ren}} \frac{\Gamma_{0p}^{ren}}{|p|} \right)
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 \end{aligned}$$

- perturbative solution depends on combination $\frac{a}{1+a}$ and $\frac{\Lambda}{1+\Lambda}$
- change of variables

$$\begin{aligned}
 |a| &=: \mu^2 \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha}, & |b| &=: \mu^2 \frac{\beta}{1-\beta}, & |p| &=: \mu^2 \frac{\rho}{1-\rho}, \\
 \Gamma_{ab}^{ren} &=: \mu^2 \frac{1-\alpha\beta}{(1-\alpha)(1-\beta)} \left(1 - \frac{1}{G_{\alpha\beta}} \right), & \Lambda &=: \mu^2 \frac{\xi}{1-\xi}
 \end{aligned}$$

- $\frac{\partial}{\partial a_i} \Big|_{a=0} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} \Big|_{\alpha=0}$ to extract Z

Theorem [Grosse-W., 2009]

The renormalised planar connected two-point function $G_{\alpha\beta}$ of self-dual n.c. ϕ_4^4 -theory satisfies (and is determined by)

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_{\alpha\beta} = & 1 + \lambda \left(\frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha\beta} (\mathcal{M}_\beta - \mathcal{L}_\beta - \beta\mathcal{Y}) + \frac{1-\beta}{1-\alpha\beta} (\mathcal{M}_\alpha - \mathcal{L}_\alpha - \alpha\mathcal{Y}) \right. \\
 & + \frac{(1-\alpha)(1-\beta)}{1-\alpha\beta} (G_{\alpha\beta} - 1)\mathcal{Y} - \frac{\alpha(1-\beta)}{1-\alpha\beta} (\mathcal{L}_\beta + \mathcal{N}_{\alpha\beta} - \mathcal{N}_{\alpha 0}) \\
 & \left. + \frac{1-\beta}{1-\alpha\beta} \left(\frac{G_{\alpha\beta}}{G_{0\alpha}} - 1 \right) (\mathcal{M}_\alpha - \mathcal{L}_\alpha + \alpha\mathcal{N}_{\alpha 0}) \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

with $\alpha, \beta \in [0, 1)$ and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L}_\alpha & := \int_0^1 d\rho \frac{G_{\alpha\rho} - G_{0\rho}}{1-\rho} & \mathcal{M}_\alpha & := \int_0^1 d\rho \frac{\alpha G_{\alpha\rho}}{1-\alpha\rho} \\
 \mathcal{N}_{\alpha\beta} & := \int_0^1 d\rho \frac{G_{\rho\beta} - G_{\alpha\beta}}{\rho-\alpha} & \mathcal{Y} & = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} \frac{\mathcal{M}_\alpha - \mathcal{L}_\alpha}{\alpha}
 \end{aligned}$$

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If we could solve the equation for $G_{\alpha\beta}$, then **all other n -point function should result from a hierarchy of Ward-identities and Schwinger-Dyson equations** which are **linear (and inhomogeneous)** in the highest-order function.

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Corollary

$\Gamma_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} = 0$ is not a solution!

We have a non-trivial (interacting) QFT in four dimensions!

Perturbative solution

- We look for an iterative solution $G_{\alpha\beta} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda^n G_{\alpha\beta}^{(n)}$.
- This involves **iterated integrals labelled by rooted trees**.

Up to $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^3)$ we need

$$I_{\alpha} := \int_0^1 dx \frac{\alpha}{1 - \alpha x} = -\ln(1 - \alpha),$$

$$I_{\bullet}^{\alpha} := \int_0^1 dx \frac{\alpha I_x}{1 - \alpha x} = \text{Li}_2(\alpha) + \frac{1}{2}(\ln(1 - \alpha))^2$$

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In terms of I_t and $A := \frac{1-\alpha}{1-\alpha\beta}$, $B := \frac{1-\beta}{1-\alpha\beta}$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_{\alpha\beta} = & 1 + \lambda \left\{ A(I_\beta - \beta) + B(I_\alpha - \alpha) \right\} \\
 & + \lambda^2 \left\{ A(\beta I_\beta - \beta I_\beta) - \alpha AB((I_\beta)^2 - 2\beta I_\beta + I_\beta) \right. \\
 & \quad + B(\alpha I_\alpha - \alpha I_\alpha) - \beta BA((I_\alpha)^2 - 2\alpha I_\alpha + I_\alpha) \\
 & \quad \left. + AB((I_\alpha - \alpha) + (I_\beta - \beta) + (I_\alpha - \alpha)(I_\beta - \beta) + \alpha\beta(\zeta(2) + 1)) \right\} \\
 & + \lambda^3 \left\{ AW_\beta + \alpha AB(-\mathcal{U}_\beta + I_\alpha I_\beta + I_\alpha I_\beta) + \alpha A^2 B \mathcal{V}_\beta \right. \\
 & \quad + BW_\alpha + \beta BA(-\mathcal{U}_\alpha + I_\beta I_\alpha + I_\beta I_\alpha) + \beta B^2 A \mathcal{V}_\alpha \\
 & \quad + AB(\mathcal{T}_\beta + \mathcal{T}_\alpha - I_\beta(I_\alpha)^2 - I_\alpha(I_\beta)^2 - 6I_\alpha I_\beta) \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\mathcal{T}_\beta := \beta \dot{I}_\beta - \beta I_\beta + (I_\beta - \beta) ,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{U}_\beta := & -\beta \dot{I}_\beta - (I_\beta)^3 + \beta \dot{I}_\beta I_\beta + 2 \dot{I}_\beta I_\beta + \beta \zeta(2) I_\beta - 2\beta \zeta(3) \\ & - 2(I_\beta)^2 + \beta (I_\beta)^2 + \dot{I}_\beta + \beta \dot{I}_\beta + 2I_\beta - \beta^2 , \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{V}_\beta := & \beta \dot{I}_\beta - \beta^2 \dot{I}_\beta - 2\beta^2 \zeta(3) + 2\beta \dot{I}_\beta I_\beta - I_\beta^3 + 2\beta I_\beta \zeta(2) - 3\beta^2 \zeta(2) \\ & + (1 - \beta)(2\beta \dot{I}_\beta - 3I_\beta^2 + 3\beta I_\beta - 3I_\beta + \beta) , \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{W}_\beta := (\dot{I}_\beta - \beta \zeta(2)) - \frac{1}{2} I_\beta \frac{I_\beta - \beta}{\beta} + \frac{1}{2} (I_\beta)^2 - (I_\beta - \beta) - \frac{1}{2} (I_\beta - \beta) - \frac{1}{2} \beta^2$$

Remark: $\frac{I_\beta - \beta}{\beta} = \int_0^1 dx \frac{\beta x}{1 - \beta x}$

(optimal family of iterated integrals not yet determined)

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- The $\mathbf{1}$ inserted into \mathcal{M}_α produces $\lambda \ln(1 - \alpha)$ in \mathcal{G}_α which spreads everywhere
- $\frac{1}{\mathcal{G}_{0\alpha}} = \frac{1}{1 + \alpha^2 \mathcal{G}_\alpha}$ becomes singular at some $0 < \alpha(\lambda) < 1$ for any $\lambda < 0$.

This could be cancelled by a **common zero** of $\mathcal{M}_\alpha - \mathcal{L}_\alpha + \alpha \mathcal{N}_{\alpha 0}$, which is **hard to control**.

New strategy

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- This additional condition distinguishes one special value of $\lambda = \lambda_0$ at which we want to prove existence of the theory.

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- This additional condition distinguishes one special value of $\lambda = \lambda_0$ at which we want to prove existence of the theory.

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$\lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 1} \mathcal{S}_\alpha = 0$ equivalent to

$$-1 = \frac{\lambda}{1 + \frac{\lambda}{2}} \left(\int_0^1 d\rho \frac{\rho^2 \mathcal{S}_\rho}{1 - \rho} - 3 \int_0^1 d\rho \rho^2 \mathcal{S}_\rho + \int_0^1 d\rho \rho \mathcal{T}_{0\rho} \right) \quad (*)$$

- (*) is intrinsically non-perturbative
- insert (*) back into equation for $\mathcal{G}_\alpha = -1 + \mathcal{S}_\alpha$:

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- but K is bounded on functions vanishing polynomially at 1:

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with $\ell(\alpha) = 1 - \alpha$

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With careful discussion of signs, this extends to $-\frac{6}{17} < \lambda \leq \frac{6}{5}$.

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Vision

The resulting function $G_{\alpha\beta}$ solves the original problem only for

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This equation defines the value of λ at which there is a realistic chance to prove **non-perturbative existence of the theory**.