

RG equation.:

relation among renormalized coupling constants  
for renormalized conditions  
at different energy scales.

$$\frac{\partial g(\mu)}{\partial \ln \mu} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \ln(\sqrt{-q^2})} \left[ g^{\text{ren}}(q^2) \right] \Big|_{q^2 = -\mu^2} + g(\mu) \times \frac{\partial}{\partial \ln \mu} \ln \left[ \prod_i \left( \frac{z_i}{z_i(\mu)} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right]$$

(irreducible. amplitudes.  
 (amputated) scale as  $\prod_i \left( \frac{z_i}{z_i(\mu)} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$   
 (like coefficients)

$$= - \frac{\partial}{\partial \ln \Lambda} [g(q^2; \Lambda)] + g(\mu) \frac{\partial}{\partial \ln \Lambda} \ln(\prod_i z_i^{-\frac{1}{2}})$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Delta g^* \sim \ln \left( \frac{\Lambda^2}{q^2} \right) \Rightarrow g^{\text{ren}} \sim \ln \left( \frac{m^2}{q^2} \right). \\ \underline{z^{(\mu)} \sim \ln \left( \frac{\Lambda^2}{m^2 + \mu^2} \right), \quad z \sim \ln \left( \frac{\Lambda^2}{m^2} \right)} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \gamma \equiv - \frac{\partial}{\partial \ln \mu} \left( \ln \sqrt{\frac{z}{z^{(\mu)}}} \right) \\ \frac{\partial g(\mu)}{\partial \ln \mu} \equiv \beta_g \end{array} \right.$$

(  $\beta$ -fun : determined from  
log divergence part. )

# Dimensional Regularization

An easy way to  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{calculate } \beta\text{-fun} \\ \text{renormalize. (regularize \& subtract)} \end{array} \right\}$   
 Loop momentum integration.

$$\frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \Rightarrow \frac{d^n k}{(2\pi)^n} (\mu)^{4-n} \Rightarrow i \frac{\text{vol}(S_{n-1})}{(2\pi)^{n-2}} \int dK K^{\frac{n}{2}-1}$$

after appropriate shift.

vol( $S_{n-1}$ ):

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} \int d^n x e^{-\frac{n}{2}(x_i)^2} = \left( \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dx e^{-x^2} \right)^n = \pi^{\frac{n}{2}} \\ \parallel \\ \int_0^{+\infty} dr r^{n-1} \text{vol}(S_{n-1}) \cdot e^{-r^2} = \frac{\text{vol}(S_{n-1})}{2} \int_0^{+\infty} dR R^{\frac{n}{2}-1} e^{-R} = \frac{\text{vol}(S_{n-1})}{2} \Gamma\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \end{array} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{\text{vol}(S_{n-1})}{2} = \frac{\pi^{\frac{n}{2}}}{\Gamma(\frac{n}{2})}} \quad (R=r^2)$$

Idea:  $\int_0^{\Lambda^2} dK \frac{K}{[K + m^2 - \alpha(1-\alpha)q^2]^2} \cong \ln \left( \frac{\Lambda^2 + m^2 - \alpha(1-\alpha)q^2}{m^2 - \alpha(1-\alpha)q^2} \right) - 1.$

but  $\lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow +\infty} \int_0^{\Lambda^2} dK \frac{K^{\frac{n}{2}-1} \mu^{4-n}}{[K + m^2 - \alpha(1-\alpha)q^2]^2} = \left( \frac{\mu^2}{m^2 - \alpha(1-\alpha)q^2} \right)^{2-\frac{n}{2}} \int_0^{+\infty} d\eta \frac{\eta^{\frac{n}{2}-1}}{(\eta+1)^2}$

logarithmically divergent.

convergent if  $\frac{n}{2} > 0$  and  $2 - \frac{n}{2} > 0 \Leftrightarrow \boxed{k > n}$

$$= \left( \frac{\mu^2}{m^2 - \alpha(1-\alpha)q^2} \right)^{2-\frac{n}{2}} \frac{\Gamma(\frac{n}{2}) \Gamma(2-\frac{n}{2})}{\Gamma(2)}$$

$$\int_0^1 dx \int \frac{d^n k}{(2\pi)^n} \mu^{4-n} \frac{1}{[k^2 - m^2 + x(1-x)q^2]^2} = i \frac{\pi^{n/2}}{(2\pi)^n \Gamma(n/2)} \Gamma(\frac{n}{2}) \Gamma(2-\frac{n}{2}) \left( \frac{\mu^2}{m^2 - x(1-x)q^2} \right)^{2-\frac{n}{2}}$$

$$= \int_0^1 dx \frac{i}{(4\pi)^2} \Gamma(2-\frac{n}{2}) \left( \frac{4\pi \mu^2}{m^2 - x(1-x)q^2} \right)^{2-\frac{n}{2}}$$

small  $(2-\frac{n}{2})$  ( $-\gamma = -0.5772$ )

$$\Gamma(z) = \frac{\Gamma(z+1)}{z} = \frac{1}{z} \left( \Gamma(1) + \frac{d\Gamma}{dz} \Big|_{z=1} \times z + \dots \right)$$

$$\left[ \frac{1}{(2-\frac{n}{2})} + (-\gamma) + \dots \right] \left[ 1 + (2-\frac{n}{2}) \ln \left( \frac{\mu^2 4\pi}{m^2 - x(1-x)q^2} \right) + \dots \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{(2-\frac{n}{2})} + (-\gamma) + \ln \left( \frac{\mu^2 4\pi}{m^2 - x(1-x)q^2} \right) + \mathcal{O}(2-\frac{n}{2})$$

• still divergent. when  $n \rightarrow 4$ .

• empirical rule:  $\frac{1}{(2-\frac{n}{2})} \iff \ln(\Lambda^2)$

$\left( \frac{1}{(2-\frac{n}{2})} \text{ pole} \iff \text{quadratic divergence.} \right)$

$\beta$ -function as coefficients of  $\ln(\Lambda^2)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{(2-\frac{n}{2})}$$

• renormalization at scale  $\mu$ .

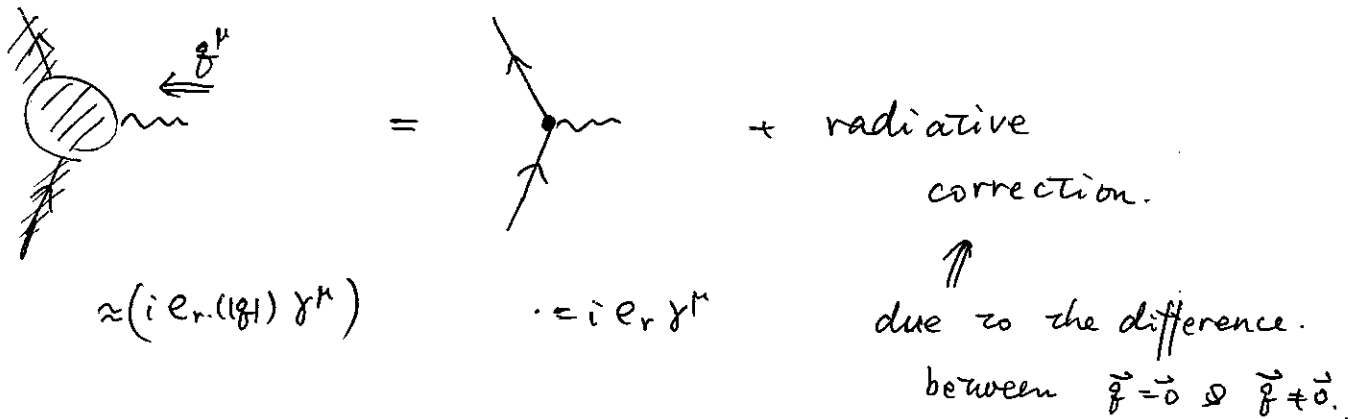
simply subtract  $\frac{1}{(2-\frac{n}{2})} + (-\gamma + \ln(4\pi))$

renormalization scheme: ~~MS~~  $\overline{\text{MS}}$

minimal subtraction or

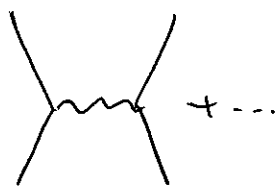
# § 6.3 Meaning of Running Coupling Constants. I

★ Observables (eg.  $|M|^2$  for a given kinematics) should not depend on the choice of renormalization scale.

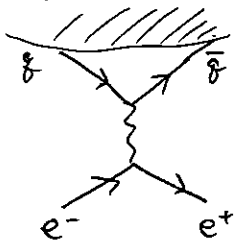


★ good approximation at fixed order perturbation.

eg. QED scattering amplitude.



eg. total hadron  $\sigma$



if at tree level. ( $iM \sim i \frac{e_r(\mu)}{q^2} \eta_{\mu\nu}$  (polarization corrections of order  $\times \frac{\alpha_e}{\pi} \ln(\frac{-q^2}{\mu^2})$  remain.

$$\sigma_{tot} = \frac{4\pi\alpha_e^2(Q_f)^2}{3s} \times 3 \times \left[ 1 + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{\pi} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{\pi}\right)^2 \left[ C_2 + \pi b \ln\left(\frac{s}{\mu^2}\right) \right] + \left(\frac{\alpha_s(\mu^2)}{\pi}\right)^3 \left[ C_3 + \left\{ \pi b \ln\left(\frac{s}{\mu^2}\right) \right\}^2 - \dots \ln\left(\frac{s}{\mu^2}\right) \right] + \dots \right]$$

$\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \ln \mu^2} \left( \frac{1}{\alpha_s(\mu^2)} \right) = b + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2) \right)$       take  $\mu^2 \hat{=} s$ !

★ resum  $\sum_k \left( \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \right)^k \left( \ln \left( \frac{\mu_1^2}{\mu_0^2} \right) \right)^k$        $\alpha_s(\mu_1) \cong \frac{\alpha_s(\mu_0)}{1 + \alpha_s(\mu_0) b \ln \left( \frac{\mu_1^2}{\mu_0^2} \right)}$

leading log resummation.

§ 6.4 Wilson's interpretation of renormalization group.

(meaning of running coupling constants II)

technically ----

eg. quantum correction.  $\Pi_{ren.(\mu)}^{(1)}(g^2)$

$$= \frac{e^2}{2\pi^2} \int_0^1 dx x(1-x) \left\{ \ln \left( \frac{me^2 - x(1-x)g^2}{M_{reg}^2} \right) - \ln \left( \frac{me^2 + x(1-x)\mu^2}{M_{reg}^2} \right) \right\}$$

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counter term.

or... in fermion wavefun renormalization. (subtract)

Originally ... from integrals like.

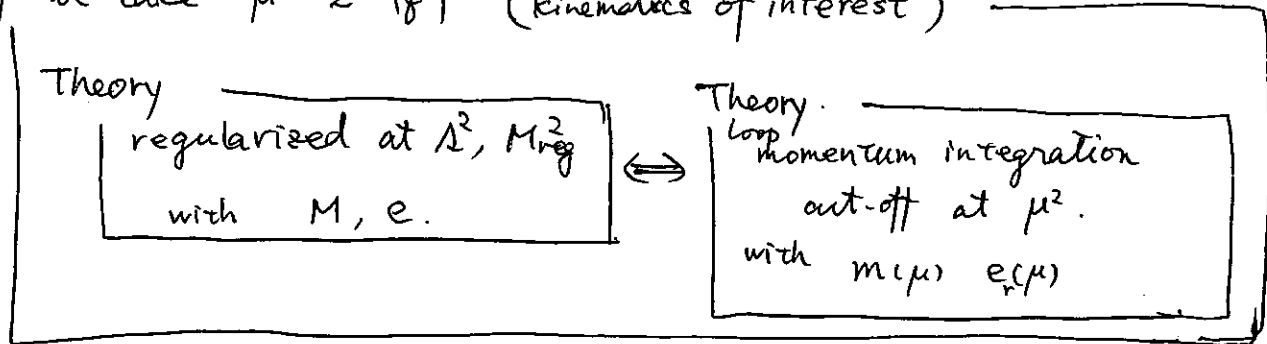
$$\int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{[k^2 + m^2 + x(1-x)g^2]^2} \Rightarrow i \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \int_0^{\Lambda^2} dk \frac{k}{[k + m^2 - x(1-x)g^2]^2}$$

$$\approx \int \frac{dk}{k} \implies \int \frac{dk}{k}$$

at large  $k = (k^2)_{FE} \gg m^2, g^2$  etc.

effectively replaced in this way

If we take  $\mu^2 \geq |g^2|$  (kinematics of interest)



In path-integral language.

$$Z = \int_{|k| \leq \Lambda, M_{reg}} \mathcal{D}A_\mu \mathcal{D}\psi \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} e^{iS[A, \psi, \bar{\psi}; M, e]}$$

$$\implies Z = \int_{|k| \leq \mu} \mathcal{D}A_\mu \mathcal{D}\psi \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} e^{iS[\dots; m(\mu), e_r(\mu)] + \dots}$$

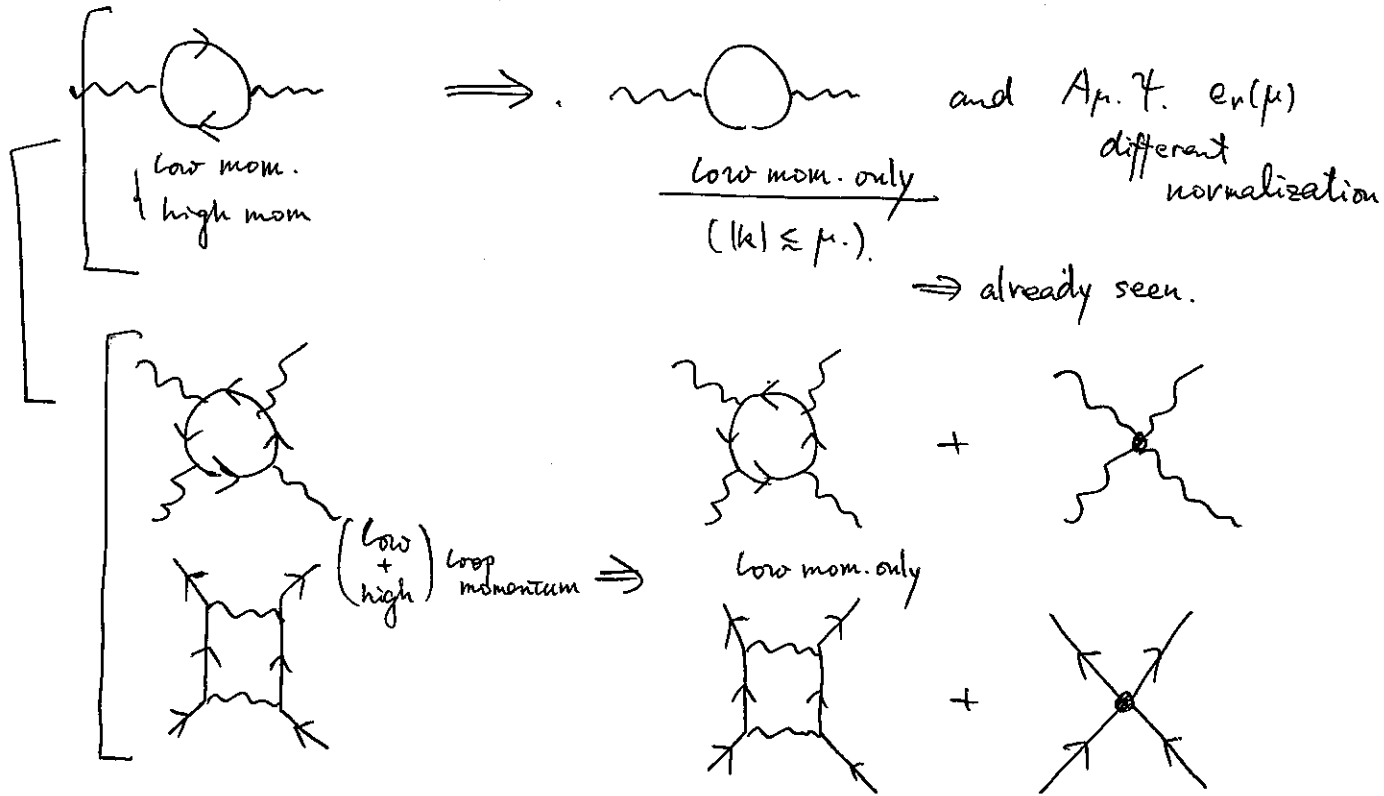
$$S^* \rightarrow S' + \left( \int A_\mu J^\mu + \int \bar{\psi} K + h.c. \right)$$

$Z[J, K]$

If interested only in  $Z[J, K]$  for  $J(q), K(p)$  etc.

integrate  $A(k), \psi(k)$  etc.  $|q|, |p| \ll |k|$  first!

(+ --) part. → (add non-renormalizable operators)



extra terms.  $+\frac{1}{M^2} F..F..F..F..$ ,  $+(\overline{\psi}\psi\overline{\psi}\psi)\frac{1}{M^2}$

•  $\int dk \frac{k}{[k^2 + m^2 - \not{k}]^2}$   $\left[ \int dk \text{ for } \mu^2 < k \right]$

• such integrals ... dominated by IR region.  
 → unimportant if  $m^2, |g|^2 \ll \mu^2$ .

Non-renormalizable operators

like } dim. 5  $\nu$  mass  $\Delta\mathcal{L} = (\overline{\psi}\psi\phi\phi)\frac{1}{M}$   
 }  $\beta$ -decay 4-ferms op.  $\Delta\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{M^2}(\overline{\psi}\psi\psi\psi)(\overline{\psi}\psi)$

