

MALTONI

7) Consider the optical theorem and explain using examples from phenomenology of fundamental interactions (SM, BSM, EFT) when one expects unitarity to be violated or not at some scale.

We are gonna prove the optical theorem

$$\int |\Psi(x, t)|^2 dx = 1 \quad \text{in quantum mechanics}$$

↳ probability density (PDF)

This integral is 1 at time 0 and at every time  $t$

- $\langle \Psi_t | \Psi_t \rangle = \langle \Psi_0 | \Psi_0 \rangle$  UNITARITY: conservation of probability
- $|\Psi_t\rangle = e^{-iHt} |\Psi_0\rangle \quad H = H^\dagger$

When  $H$  is hermitian there is no decay in the system (energy is conserved)

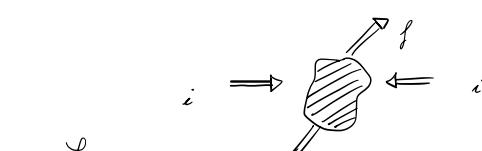
$$|\Psi_t\rangle = e^{-iHt} |\Psi_0\rangle$$

|  
 $S = e^{-iHt} \rightarrow S^* S = 1$  EVOLUTION IS UNITARY

Hence in QFT is the same. Defining the scattering matrix  $S$

$$\langle f | S | i \rangle = (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_f - p_i) \mathcal{M}(i \rightarrow f)$$

$i$  and  $f$  are initial and final states  
 $\sim$  states where there is no interaction



↳ Not a physical object  
 we can always make a transformation

$\mathcal{M}$  is the physical object,  
 it doesn't change and is  
 what we measure

$\mathcal{L}$  is a generator for  $\mathcal{M}$  but not a physical object and is more like  
 how we describe  
 the physical obj

Let's try now with a non hermitian operator

$$S = \mathbb{1} + i\mathcal{Z}$$

since  $S^*S = \mathbb{1}$

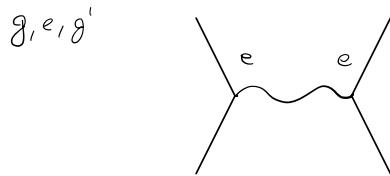
L<sub>D</sub> NON TRIVIAL 2nd  
now HERMITIAN

Hence

$$(\mathbb{1} - i\mathcal{Z}^*)(\mathbb{1} + i\mathcal{Z}) = \mathbb{1}$$

is telling me something about the Im part of the scattering amplitude and the square of it!

We never know  $S$  exactly but we Taylor expand it  $\mathcal{Z}$  in the coupling and each expansion has a power in the coupling



with the previous equation we are connecting loops with the tree level computations

$\Rightarrow$  It's important and not trivial cause connects tree level with higher order

Let's now use the relation in a computation of a scattering amplitude

$$\text{LH: } \langle f | i(\mathcal{Z} - \mathcal{Z}^*) | i \rangle = i \langle i | \mathcal{Z} | f \rangle^* - i \langle f | \mathcal{Z} | i \rangle$$

$$= i (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(\sum p) [\mathcal{M}_{f \rightarrow i}^* - \mathcal{M}_{i \rightarrow f}]$$

$$\text{RH: } \langle f | \mathcal{Z}^* \mathcal{Z} | i \rangle$$

$$\text{Remember: } \langle \psi_1 | \psi_2 \rangle = \langle \psi_1 | \mathbb{1} | \psi_2 \rangle \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{1} = \sum_x \int d\Omega_x |x\rangle \langle x|$$

"Resolution of identity"

So

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f | \mathcal{Z}^* \mathcal{Z} | i \rangle &= \sum_x \int d\Omega_x \langle f | \mathcal{Z}^* | x \rangle \langle x | \mathcal{Z} | i \rangle = \\ &= \sum_x (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_f - p_x) (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_i - p_x) \cdot \int d\Omega_x \mathcal{M}(i \rightarrow x) \mathcal{M}^*(f \rightarrow x) \end{aligned}$$

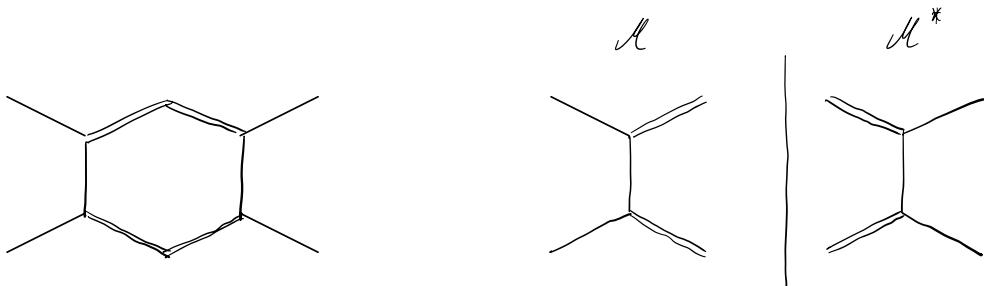
we now equate the 2 members

$\delta^*(p_f - p_x) \delta^*(p_i - p_x)$  is like 2 deltas for  $p_f = p_i$  and one of them is gone  
because on both sides while the other is kept

$$\mathcal{M}(i \rightarrow f) - \mathcal{M}^*(f \rightarrow i) = i \sum_x \int d\pi_x (2\pi)^4 \delta^*(p_f - p_i) \mathcal{M}_{i \rightarrow x} \mathcal{M}_{f \rightarrow x}^* \quad (*)$$

$\Rightarrow$  This is what is implied by unitarity: we are linking something linear in  $\mathcal{M}$  with something quadratic in  $\mathcal{M}$

We are relating this 2:



Let's consider the 2-to-2 scattering

$$\begin{aligned}
 s &= (p_1 + p_2)^2 = (p_3 + p_4)^2 \\
 t &= (p_1 - p_3)^2 = (p_2 - p_4)^2 \\
 u &= (p_1 - p_4)^2 = (p_2 - p_3)^2
 \end{aligned}
 \quad \text{3 invariants}$$

$$s + t + u = \sum m_i^2 = 0 \quad \text{related by 4-momentum}$$

$\Rightarrow 2 \text{ INDEPENDENT VARIABLES}$

$$\underline{s} \quad t = -\frac{s}{2} (1 - \cos\theta) \quad \underline{\cos\theta_{CM}} = \frac{1 + \frac{2t}{s}}{s}$$

we adopt as 2 variables  $s$  and the  $\cos\theta$  in the CM frame.

Remember:

$$P_s(z) = \frac{1}{2^s s!} \frac{d^s}{dz^s} (z^2 - 1)^s \quad \text{with} \quad \int_{-1}^1 dz P_s(z) P_k(z) = \frac{2}{2s+1} \delta_{jk}$$

Legendre Polinomial (orthonormal) used to  
normalize  $\mathcal{M}$

basically I wrote the amplitude as a sum over  
fixed angular momentum amplitudes

and we can always decompose  $\mathcal{M}$ :  $\mathcal{M}(s, t) = 16\pi \sum_j (2j+1) z_j(s) P_j(\cos\theta)$

We write  $\mathcal{M}$  as orthonormal decomposition in polynomials that allows to factorize the  $s, t$  dependence

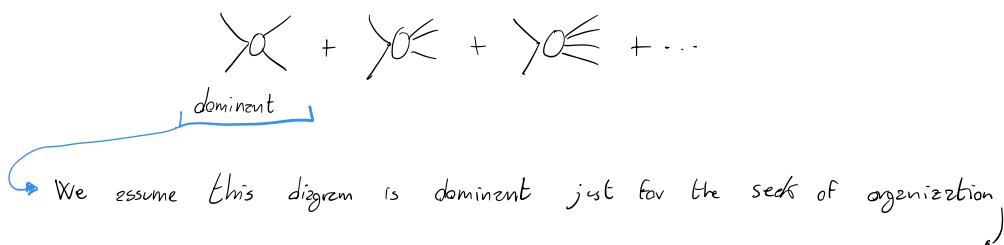
Whatever amplitude can be rewritten as a sum of partial waves times the Legendre polynomials

$$z_j(s) = \frac{1}{32\pi} \int_{-1}^{+1} d\cos\theta P_j(\cos\theta) \mathcal{M}(s \cos\theta)$$

Now we apply this relation to the scattering (3) to the partial waves

Let's start with RH of the formula (\*)

(Im  $\square$  with  $\sum_x$  we should sum over all final states



We assume this diagram is dominant just for the sake of organization

$$\underbrace{\int \frac{d^3 \vec{p}_3}{(2\pi)^3 2E_3} \frac{d^3 \vec{p}_4}{(2\pi)^3 2E_4} (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(\vec{p}_i - \vec{p}_f) (\mathcal{M}(s, t))^2}_{\text{Phase Space}} = \begin{array}{l} \text{Counting variables} \\ \text{we look at the case } i=j=x=2 \\ 3+3-4=2 \text{ variable of integration} \end{array}$$

In general  
For  $n$  particles  $P_s = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{d^3 \vec{p}_i}{(2\pi)^3 2E_i}$

$$ds = d\cos\theta \frac{d\varphi}{2\pi}$$

we only have the direction of one of them free, everything else is fixed

WHY WE HAVE ONLY ONE INTEGRATING VARIABLE?

$$= \frac{1}{16\pi} \int_{-1}^{+1} d\cos\theta \left[ 16\pi \sum_j (z_j + 1) \bar{a}_j(s) P_j(\cos\theta) \right] \left[ 16\pi \sum_k (2k+1) \bar{a}_k^*(s) P_k(\cos\theta) \right] =$$

M M\*

Now integrate over  $d\cos\theta$ : we use the orthonormal condition for this integration

$$= 32\pi \sum_j (2j+1) |\bar{a}_j(s)|^2$$

The angular dependency is gone we just have the energy dependency

This quantity doesn't depend on  $t$  but only on  $s$

Remember that we are still assuming that the only final states are  $z$  neutrides

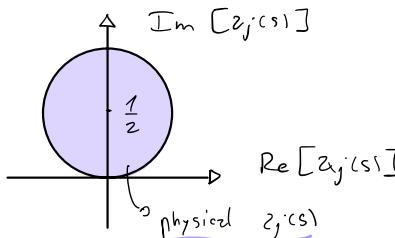
Recovering the LH side using  $\cos\theta = z$  and knowing  $\text{Im}(z) = z - z^*$

$\cos\theta = z$   $= z \forall j$   
 $2 \text{Im } M(s, 0) = 32\pi \sum_j (z_j + 1) \text{Im}[\bar{a}_j(s)] P_j(z)$

$\Rightarrow$  That has to be valid for any  $j \Rightarrow \boxed{\text{Im}[\bar{a}_j(s)] = |\bar{a}_j(s)|^2}$

Since  $z_j$  complex  $\bar{a}_j(s) = x + iy$  we have equation of a circle:  $y = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$

UNITARITY CIRCLE



$\Rightarrow$  If that was an equality then  $z_j$  value lies on the circumference

but it's not in reality... we consider just 2 final states...

we have to add terms on the Im side

$$\Rightarrow y > \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

Basically  $M - M^* = i \sum_x \int (1 + \dots)$

accounting for all the terms it turns out  $z_j$  lives in the circle  $|\bar{a}_j(s)| \leq 1$

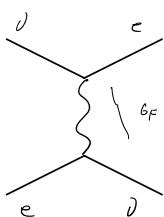
$$|\text{Re}(\bar{a}_j(s))| \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Every neutrid amplitude has to be smaller than 1 in module, independently of the energy. It doesn't matter the energy, it cannot be greater than 1.

So the amplitude has to be  $\propto g \sim \text{const}$  or  $\propto 1/s^n$ .  
 It cannot go as  $\sqrt{s}, s, s^{3/2}$  otherwise with increasing energy it will pass  $\infty$  at some point

### Example: Fermi Theory

In the IR it goes to zero so no problems



$$[M(2 \rightarrow 2)] = 1 \quad \text{in } 2 \rightarrow 2 \text{ scattering has no dimension}$$

Proof:

$$T = \frac{1}{2s} |M|^2 \int d\phi_2$$

These space = particle  
2dimensional

$$\left[ \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3 2E} \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3 2E} \bar{\delta}^4(p) \right] = 0$$

3-1 = 2      3-1 = 2      -4  
L<sup>o</sup>  $\int d^4 p \delta^4(p) = 1$

In the Fermi theory we have  $M \propto G_F \cdot s$

$$\frac{1}{M^2} \stackrel{L^o \text{ has to be } M^2 \text{ because } [M] = 1}{\cancel{M^2}}$$

Hence this amplitude grows with energy  $M = G_F \cdot s \Rightarrow$  (since does not depend on  $e$ )

$$\text{From unitarity} \Rightarrow |M| \leq 1 \rightarrow \sqrt{s} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{G_F}} \sim 10$$

The theory is valid till here  
 $\sim 300 \text{ GeV}$

$\Rightarrow$  Generically EFT violates UNITARITY.

8) Illustrate through QFT examples, matching at tree level and/or at one loop

The classic example of EFT theory of low-energy weak interactions is Fermi Theory.

The full UV-theory is the FULL SM, and we can match onto EFT by transitioning to a theory valid at momenta small compared to  $M_{W,Z}$ .

Since the weak interactions are perturbative, the matching can be done order by order in perturbation theory.

### SM Theory

The  $W$  boson interacts with quarks and leptons via the weak current:

$$j_\mu^\mu = V_{ij} (\bar{u}_i \gamma^\mu P_L d_j) + (\bar{\nu}_e \gamma^\mu P_L \ell) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{CKM} \\ \text{LEPTON MIXING MATRIX} \\ \text{Using neutrino flavour eigenstates} \end{array}$$

- $u$ : up-type
- $d$ : down-type

The tree-level amplitude for semileptonic  $b \rightarrow c$  decay is:

$$\mathcal{A} = \left( \frac{-ig}{\sqrt{2}} \right) V_{cb} (\bar{c} \gamma^\mu P_L b) (\bar{\ell} \gamma^\mu P_L \nu_e) \left( \frac{-ig_{WW}}{P^2 - M_W^2} \right) \frac{1}{-iP \cdot M_W}$$

where  $g/\sqrt{2}$  is the  $W$  coupling constant. For low momentum transfer  $p \ll M_W$  we can expand the  $W$  propagator

$$\frac{1}{P^2 - M_W^2} = - \frac{1}{M_W^2} \left( 1 + \frac{P^2}{M_W^2} + \frac{P^4}{M_W^4} + \dots \right)$$

giving different orders in the EFT expansion parameter  $P/M_W$ .

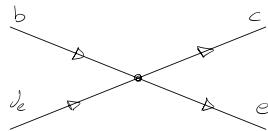
Taking only the first term we'll have

$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{i}{M_W^2} \left( \frac{-ig}{\sqrt{2}} \right) V_{cb} (\bar{c} \gamma^\mu P_L b) (\bar{\ell} \gamma_\mu P_L \nu_e) + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{1}{M_W^4} \right)$$

## Now the EFT Theory

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{g^2}{2M_w^2} V_{cb} (\bar{c} \gamma^\mu P_L b)(\bar{l} \gamma_\mu P_L \nu_l) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{M_w^4}\right)$$

This is the lowest order Lagrangian for semileptonic  $b \rightarrow c$  decay in the EFT and is represented by the vertex:



with

$$\boxed{\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \equiv \frac{g^2}{8M_w^2} = \frac{1}{2v^2}}$$

HATCHING

where  $v \sim 246$  GeV is the scale of electroweak symmetry breaking.

$$\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \equiv \frac{g^2}{8 \left( \frac{g^2 v^2}{4} \right)} = \frac{1}{2v^2} \quad \Rightarrow g \text{ cancels}$$

$$M_w^2|_{SM} = \frac{g^2 v^2}{4}$$

we have

$$\boxed{\mathcal{L} = -\frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cb} (\bar{c} \gamma^\mu P_L b)(\bar{l} \gamma_\mu P_L \nu_l)}$$

$$\text{How do you measure } G_F? \quad \text{Muon decay} \quad \frac{1}{\zeta_\mu} = \frac{1}{\mu} = \frac{G_F^2 M_\mu^5}{132 \pi^3}$$

This is the low-energy limit of the the SM.

The EFT has dynamical W bosons and the effect of W exchange in the SM has been included via dimension-6  $\mathcal{L}$  Fermion operators.

~ This is called "integrating out" a heavy particle, the W boson

## MATCHING AT TREE-LEVEL

The starting point is the UV theory which consists of

$$\mathcal{L} = \overline{\psi} i \not{D} \psi + \frac{1}{2} \frac{(\partial_\mu \phi)^2}{M^2} - \frac{1}{2} M^2 \phi^2 - \lambda \phi \overline{\psi} \psi$$

$\underbrace{\psi}_{\text{Light Fermion}} \quad \underbrace{\phi}_{\text{Heavy scalar}}$   
 $m \ll M$   
 therefore set to 0

- $\psi$ : light Fermion
- $\phi$ : Heavy scalar field with mass  $M$
- $\lambda$ : Coupling constant between  $\psi$  and  $\phi$

$$\rightarrow m_\phi \ll E \ll M \quad \text{if } m_\phi = 0 \text{ we have } \beta = \frac{E}{M}$$

*↳ energy of experiment*

We want to construct an effective theory  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{EFT}} = \mathcal{L}(\psi)$  (no  $\phi$ )

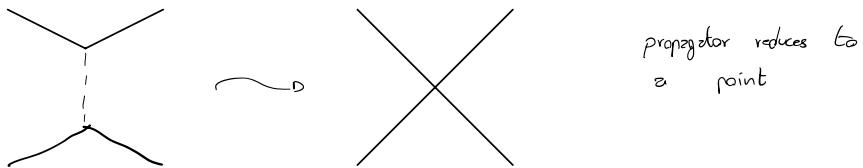
$\Rightarrow$  INTEGRATING OUT  $\phi$

Since the scalar  $\phi$  has a large mass ( $M > E$ , where  $E$  is the energy scale of interest) we can integrate it out and obtain an effective 4-Fermion interaction.

What we will do:

1 Let's compute  $\bar{f}f \rightarrow \bar{f}f$  in the Full Theory and EFT

2 Match them

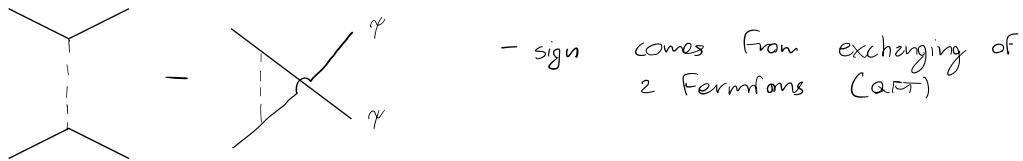


## Full Theory

In the Full theory

$$i \mathcal{M} = \bar{\mu}_3 \mu_2 (-i \lambda) (-i \lambda) \bar{\mu}_1 \mu_2 \frac{i}{(\not{p}_3 - \not{p}_2)^2 - M^2} - (3 \leftrightarrow 4)$$

and the diagrams will be



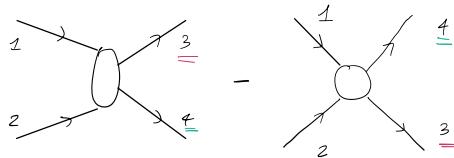
So

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{LEFT}} = \bar{\psi}(i\cancel{D})\psi + \frac{C_6}{2M^2} (\bar{\psi}\psi)(\bar{\psi}\psi)$$

↳ convenience

C: we need to find it  
"Integrating at  $\phi$ "

EFT



$$i\mathcal{M} = \mu_s i \frac{C_6}{M^2} \quad \text{with} \quad \mu_s = \bar{\mu}_3 \mu_1 \bar{\mu}_4 \mu_2 - (3 \leftrightarrow 4)$$

we match them and we obtain  $C_6 = \lambda^2$

What about the next term?

$$\frac{1}{(p_3 - p_2)^2 - M^2} = - \frac{1}{M^2} \left[ 1 + \frac{(p_2 - p_3)^2}{M^2} + \dots \right]$$

↳ For this we need another operator which is dim-9

The operator describes this term (only for this was the matching)

DERIVATIVE EXPANSION

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{LEFT}} = \bar{\psi}(i\cancel{D})\psi + \frac{C_6}{2M^2} (\bar{\psi}\psi)(\bar{\psi}\psi) + \frac{C_8}{M^4} \cancel{(\partial_\mu \bar{\psi} \partial^\mu \psi)} \cancel{(\bar{\psi}\psi)}$$

dim-9

We can check that this operator generates an amplitude term:

$$\mu_3 \left( \frac{-i C_8}{M^4} \right) (P_1 \cdot P_3 + P_2 \cdot P_4)$$

We always have 4 Fermions we add derivatives which pop out the terms in the propagator above

$$\sim C_8 = -\lambda^2$$

### Matching with Equations of Motion

We write Eq. of motion for  $\phi$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \phi} - \partial_\mu \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_\mu \phi)} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (-M^2 \phi - \square \phi) = \lambda \bar{\psi} \bar{\psi}$$

$$(M^2 + \square) \phi = -\lambda \bar{\psi} \psi$$

Extract  $\phi$ :

$$\phi = -\frac{\lambda \bar{\psi} \psi}{(M^2 + \square)} = -\frac{\lambda \bar{\psi} \psi}{M^2 \left( 1 + \frac{\square}{M^2} \right)} = -\left[ 1 - \frac{\square}{M^2} + \frac{\square^2}{M^4} - \dots \right] \frac{\lambda \bar{\psi} \psi}{M^2}$$

Now put it inside in the UV lagrangian

$$\bar{\psi} i \not{D} \psi - \frac{1}{2} \left( \partial_\mu \left[ \frac{\lambda \bar{\psi} \psi}{M^2} \right] \right)^2 - \frac{1}{2} M^2 \left( - \left[ \frac{\lambda \bar{\psi} \psi}{M^2} \right]^2 - \frac{\lambda \bar{\lambda}}{M^2} \cdot \left[ \frac{\lambda \bar{\psi} \psi}{M^2} \right] \bar{\psi} \psi \right)$$

$\downarrow$  taking  $\lambda$  in  $[\cdot]$   $\downarrow$

$$- \frac{1}{2} \frac{\lambda^2}{M^2} \bar{\psi} \psi \bar{\psi} \psi + \frac{1}{M^2} \bar{\psi} \psi \bar{\psi} \psi$$

so some term is before  $\leftarrow$

$$= \left( -\frac{1}{2} + 1 \right) \frac{\lambda^2}{M^2} \bar{\psi} \psi \bar{\psi} \psi$$

MATCHING

9) Discuss through examples the role of renormalization, logs and RGEs in QFT and EFT.

What is a Renormalizable Theory?  $\Rightarrow$  You can compute scattering amplitudes  
at any order in Perturbation Theory  
at all the time at different order  
I get infinities that are absorbed  
in the definitions of the constants

→ REABSORB THE DIVERGENCES IN THE  
AVAILABLE PARAMETERS

Renormalizability: you don't need to modify the Lagrangian

To define a model in QFT you have to add all terms that are respecting the symmetries  
otherwise the perturbative approach will generate them.

Question: Does an EFT by construction satisfy the definition of the renormalizability?

NO! but is misleading

It's different: in the end we will understand that we just have to REDEFINE the  
RENORMALIZABILITY and we will understand that it's as RENORMALIZABLE as  
the UV theory.

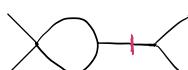
DEFINITIONS:

1) Particle irreducible diagram (1PI)

Example:



- If I cut the loop goes away 1PI



- The loop is still there Non 1PI

2) Superficial DEGREE OF DIVERGENCE D

$$\int d^4x K^x \rightarrow D = 4+i$$

The integral of this  
diverges when  $i \geq -i$

$$\int_a^{\infty} dx \begin{cases} x^n & n \geq 0 \\ 1/x^n & n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

Example: QED is renormalizable

Has to do with the normalization of

You take all the 2-points.

$$\text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \rightarrow Z_2 \sim \chi$$

$$\sim \text{On} \rightarrow z_3 \sim A_\mu$$

all the 3-points

  $\rightarrow$  zero *No Fury's Theorem*

$$\text{Diagram: } \text{A wavy line with a loop at the top, followed by an arrow pointing right, then the text } Z_2 \text{ and } e \text{ in green.}$$

There are also renormalization conditions:

$$\tilde{\Pi}(0) = 0 \quad \sim M_\gamma = 0$$

$$T^{\mu}(0) = \gamma^{\mu} \sim e^{-2t} Q^2 = 0 \text{ is } \sqrt{\alpha}$$

$$\sum (m_p) = 0 \quad \text{and } m$$

$$\sum (m_p) = 0 \quad \rightsquigarrow \varphi$$

With 2 measurements QED is set

Let's compute

A simple line drawing of a square with four wavy lines extending from its top and bottom edges.

$$\int d^4 K \frac{1}{K^+} \text{ cause propagator of } \frac{1}{K^- - m}$$

*4 propagators*

cause propagator of Fermions is

$$\text{Since } \frac{d^4 K}{K^4} = \frac{K^3}{K^4} \underbrace{\frac{dK}{K}}_{\log} d\Omega = \int d^4 K \frac{1}{K^4} \sim \log \Lambda$$

BECAUSE IT'S  
ADVENTURE!

Should be divergent!

Is this really divergent?

This is dimensional ~ The only thing in the log can be just g

$$\sim \log \Lambda (g^{\mu\nu} g^{\rho\sigma} + \dots)$$

and I see that if I contract any amplitude contructed with the EXTERNAL momentum of the photon

$$P^\mu \mathcal{M}_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = 0 \Rightarrow \text{BUT with this structure we have a result } \neq 0!$$

PROBLEM

Has to be zero otherwise  
the term violates gauge invar.

TERM FORBIDDEN BY GAUGE INVARIANCE

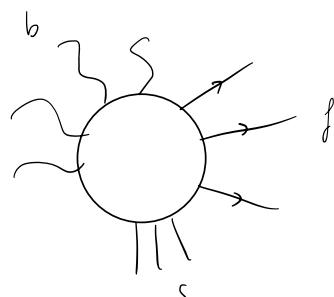
We can also have other loops:

$$\sim \int \frac{1}{X^6} d^4 X \quad \text{FINITE}$$

From 4-point on in QED there are no more divergences because i  
reabsorb them in m and e.

This can be generalized

$$D_{f,b,s} \equiv 4 - \frac{3}{2} F - b - s$$



This can be most easily derived via dimensional analysis

~ Remembering that the amplitude is Far Transf of the Green Function

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(\sum p) \mathcal{M} &\sim \underbrace{\prod_{i=1}^4 \int d^4x_i e^{\pm i p_i \cdot x_i} \square_i}_{\substack{-4 \\ \text{cons. momentum}}} \quad \cancel{-2} \quad \text{integ deriv} \\
 &\quad -4 + 2 = -2 \\
 &\quad \underbrace{\prod_{j=1}^F \int d^4y_j e^{\pm i q_j \cdot y_j} \cancel{\partial_j}}_{\substack{-4 \\ \mathcal{F}}} \quad \cancel{-3} \quad \text{integ deriv} \\
 &\quad -4 + 1 = -3 \\
 &\quad \cancel{3/2 \mathcal{F}} \quad \cancel{2 \times b} \quad \cancel{2 \times s} \\
 &\quad \langle 0 | \underbrace{\psi \dots \psi}_{f} \underbrace{A_1 \dots A_b}_{b} \underbrace{\phi_1 \dots \phi_n}_{s} | 0 \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

Let's compute the dimension of the generic scattering amplitude knowing

$$[\psi] = 3/2, \quad [A] = [\phi] = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 [\mathcal{M}] &= \underbrace{4 - 3\mathcal{F} - 2b - 2s}_{\substack{\text{derivative}}} + \underbrace{\frac{3}{2}\mathcal{F} + b + s}_{\substack{\text{Green Function}}} = \boxed{4 - \frac{3}{2}\mathcal{F} - b - s}
 \end{aligned}$$

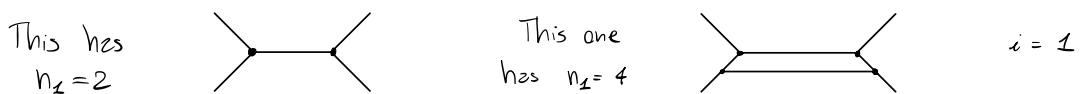
$\sim D$  Superficial degree of  $D$  goes with the dimension of my amplitude.

Let's now look at a theory with higher dimensional operators

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2} \phi (\square + m^2) \phi + g_1 \phi^3 + g_2 \phi^2 \square \phi^3 + \dots$$

Dimension couplings  $g$   $[g_i] = \Delta_i = 1$   $\Delta_2 = -3$   $\dots g_i \rightarrow \Delta_i$

Let's consider a diagram with  $n_i$  insertions



Now we can write the dimension of a generic diagram. I can say that considering a loop with  $n_i$  insertion of the vertex  $g_i$  with  $\Delta_i$

Generic degree of divergence at a loop with dimensionless couplings

$$\int K^D \underset{EFT}{\xrightarrow{\text{in}}} \prod_i g_i^{n_i} \int K^{D - \sum n_i \Delta_i}$$

In THE END

$$D_{F,b,s,n_i} = 4 - \frac{3}{2} F - b - s - \sum_i n_i \Delta_i$$

$\uparrow$   
new in EFT  
because is due  
to THE EFT  
coupling

$\Rightarrow$  In EFT I have to count the dimension of interactions

$\sim$  In QED  $c$  is dimensionless and I don't count.

In EFT couplings change dimension of the amplitude.

Not surprisingly:

If interactions have  $\Delta_i < 0$  then there will be an infinite number of values  $n_i$  and  $F$  and  $b$  with  $D_{F,b,s,n_i} > 0$

Interaction

$\Delta_i = 0$	$\xrightarrow{\text{D}}$ NOTHING HAPPENS
$\Delta_i < 0$	$\xrightarrow{\text{D}}$ IR RELEVANT $\Rightarrow$ increases $D$ $\sim$ more divergent and less renormalizable
$\Delta_i > 0$	$\xrightarrow{\text{D}}$ RELEVANT $\Rightarrow$ decreases $D$ $\sim$ less divergent and more renormalizable

NOTE THAT: a theory might be renormalizable due to behaviour of propagators (SSB)

NON RENORMALIZABLE THEORIES are still "Renormalizable" i.e. they are order by order in the dimension.

Let's do a real example

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2} \phi (\square + m^2) \phi + \frac{g}{4!} \underbrace{\phi^2 \square \phi^2}_{\text{dim 6}} + \frac{1}{4!} \phi^4 \quad D_g = 2, \quad D_\phi = 0$$

Scattering 4 fields:

$$\text{Diagram} = \text{Diagram} + \text{Diagram} + \text{Diagram} + \text{Diagram} + \text{Diagram} + \text{Diagram} + \text{Diagram}$$

Feynman Rule:  $-i\lambda - ig p_i^2$

worst one

s-channel

Now

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Diagram} &= \lambda^2 \int \frac{d^4 K}{K^4} \sim \lambda^2 \log \Lambda & \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{REDEFINITION OF} \\ \lambda \text{ TO } \lambda_R \\ \text{ABSORB} \\ \log \Lambda}} \lambda_R \delta_\lambda \sim \lambda^2 & \checkmark \text{RENORMALIZABLE} \\
 \text{Diagram} &= g \lambda \int \frac{d^4 K}{K^4} \underbrace{f(K^2, p^2)}_{\substack{\text{Loop} \\ \downarrow \\ \text{Has} \propto \text{momentum} \text{ dependence}}} & \xrightarrow{\text{RED}} g \lambda (b_2 \lambda^2 + b_1 p^2 \log \Lambda) & \text{Worst!} \\
 &= g \lambda \int \frac{k^3 dK d\omega}{K^4} \cdot f(K^2, p^2) \sim \int \frac{1}{K} K^2 dK + \int \frac{1}{K} p^2 dK = & \text{quadratic dependence}
 \end{aligned}$$

CAN I DEAL WITH THIS?

In the end not that bad cause I'll have counterterms from



that are proportional to  $g\lambda$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \cancel{\lambda} & \quad 1^\circ \quad \lambda_R \delta_R + g_R \delta_g p^2 & 2^\circ \text{ integral: Adding counter terms} \\
 \cancel{-ig p^2} & \quad 2^\circ \quad -g_R \lambda_R b_2 \lambda^2 - g_R \lambda_R b_c & 1^\circ \text{ integral: Renormal of } \lambda
 \end{aligned}$$

Up to here the model is **RENORMALIZABLE**

### PROBLEM

However if I add 2 higher-dim operators we see that things broke

$$\text{Diagram} = g^2 (c_1 \lambda^4 + c_2 \lambda^2 p^2 + \underbrace{c_3 p^4 \log \Lambda}_{\substack{\text{Problem!} \\ \text{NOT IN THE LAGRANGIAN} \\ \text{nothing scales as } S^4 \text{ in the } \mathcal{L}}})$$

It seems that I could only renormalize  $c_2 \lambda^2 p^2$  as the tree-level behaviour.

We need to enlarge the set of operators

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2} \phi (\square + m^2) \phi + \lambda_R Z_\lambda \phi^4 + g_R Z_g \phi^2 \square \phi^2 + K_R Z_K \underbrace{\phi^2 \square^2 \phi^2}_{\text{dim 6}} \quad \text{New}$$

$Z_i = 1 + \delta_i$

Now it gives

$$\text{Diagram} \sim \underbrace{\lambda_R \beta_\lambda}_{-g_r^2 c_2 \lambda^4} + \underbrace{g_R \beta_g \lambda^2}_{-g_r^2 c_2 \lambda^2} + \underbrace{K_R \beta_K \lambda^4}_{-g_r^2 c_3 \log \lambda}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Now all infinities cancel.

This is why people say that EFT ARE NOT RENORMALIZABLE: IF you add any exponent in the loop, the theory needs to be EXPANDED  
*Lo change!*

This ~~loop~~ has to be seen as loop correction of renormalizable interaction.

## Renormalization Group

The phrase renormalization group refers to the invariance of observable under changes in the way things are calculated

There are two versions of the renormalization group used in QFT:

### WILSONIAN RENORMALIZATION GROUP

In a finite theory with UV cutoff  $\Lambda$ , physics at energies  $E \ll \Lambda$  is independent of the precise value of  $\Lambda$ . Changing  $\Lambda$  changes the couplings in the theory so that observables remain the same

### CONTINUUM RENORMALIZATION GROUP

Observables are independent of the renormalization conditions, in particular, of the scales  $\{p_0\}$  at which we choose to define our renormalized quantities. This invariance holds after the theory is renormalized and cutoff is removed ( $\Lambda = \infty, d = 4$ ). In dim. regularizations with  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  scheme, the scales  $\{p_0\}$  are replaced by  $\mu$ , and the continuum renormalization group comes from  $\mu$  independence

The 2 approaches are similar, however in both cases the fact that Theory is independent of something means that one can set up differential equations such as

$$\frac{dX}{d\Lambda} = 0, \quad \frac{dX}{dp_0} = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{dX}{d\mu} = 0 \quad \text{w/ } X \text{ some observable}$$

→ Solving those leads to a trajectory in the space of theories.

RGE means flow along these trajectories. We look at

- COUPLING CONSTANTS
- OPERATORS
- GREEN'S FUNCTION

### Preview of RGE:

- We know  $e_{\text{eff}}^2(Q) = \frac{e_R^2}{1 - \frac{e_R^2}{12\pi^2} \ln \frac{Q^2}{m^2}}$

running coupling

This equation can be written as

$$\frac{1}{e_{\text{eff}}^z(Q)} = \frac{1}{e_R^z(\mu)} - \frac{1}{12\pi^2} \ln \frac{Q^2}{\mu^2}$$

↳ Independent of  $\mu$ , derivative

$\mathcal{B}$ -function

$$0 = -\frac{z}{e_{\text{eff}}^3} \frac{d}{d\mu} e_{\text{eff}} + \frac{1}{12\pi^2} \frac{z}{\mu} \Rightarrow \overline{\Gamma} \underbrace{\mu \frac{de_{\text{eff}}}{d\mu}} = \frac{e_{\text{eff}}^3}{12\pi^2}$$

Renormalization

Group

Equation

## Running Couplings

Example: Running of  $e_{\text{eff}}(\mu)$  - scale dependent electric charge

VACUUM POLARIZATION DIAGRAMS

calculation of loop + the counterterm

$$\text{Diagram 1} + \text{Diagram 2} = -i(p^2 g^{\mu\nu} - p^\mu p^\nu) (e_R \underline{\underline{\Pi}_2(p^2)} + \underline{\underline{\delta_3}})$$

COUNTERTERM

$$\sim \Pi_2(p^2) = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \int_0^1 dx (1-x)x \left[ \frac{2}{\epsilon} + \log\left(\frac{\mu^2}{m_p^2 - p^2 x(1-x)}\right) \right] \quad \text{In dimensional regularization} \quad d = 4 - \epsilon$$

So the dressed photon propagator is

$$\begin{aligned} iG^{\mu\nu} &= \text{Diagram 1} + \text{Diagram 2} \\ &= -i \frac{[1 - e^2 \Pi_2(p^2)]}{p^2} g^{\mu\nu} + p^\mu p^\nu \end{aligned}$$

By embedding this off-shell amplitude into a scattering diagram we extracted an effective Coulomb potential whose Fourier Transform was

$$\tilde{V}(p^2) = e_R^2 \frac{1 - e^2 \Pi_2(p^2)}{p^2}$$

Defining the gauge coupling  $e_R$  so that  $\tilde{V}(p_0^2) = \frac{e_R^2}{p_0^2}$  write the renorm.  $V$

$\text{④ } p_0 \rightarrow \delta_3$  since  $\Pi_2(p_0^2)$  is infinite

At the potential at smaller  $p$  scale is

$$p^2 \tilde{V}(p) = e^2 - e^4 \Pi_2(p^2) + \dots = e_R^2 - e_R^4 [\Pi_2(p^2) - \Pi_2(p_0^2)] + \dots$$

Hence

$$\tilde{V}(p^2) = \frac{e_R^2}{p^2} \left\{ 1 + \frac{e_R^2}{2\pi^2} \int_0^1 dx x(1-x) \ln \left( \frac{p^2 x(1-x) - m^2}{p_0^2 x(1-x) - m^2} \right) + \mathcal{O}(e_R^4) \right\}$$

Which is FINITE and  $\epsilon$  and  $\mu$  independent, but depends on  $p_0$ .

CASE  $p \gg m$

$$\tilde{V}(p^2) = \frac{e_R^2}{p^2} \left( 1 + \underbrace{\frac{e_R^2}{12\pi^2} \log \frac{p^2}{p_0^2}}_{\text{LARGE LOG that RG will solve}} \right)$$

$\Rightarrow$  When this logarithm is this large appears at all orders.

(One can imagine that, since  $e_R^2/12\pi^2 \sim 10^{-3}$  then at higher orders log will vanish but there exist a scale when  $p^2 \gg p_0^2$  where  $\log p/p_0 \sim 10^3$  and so  $(\frac{e_R^2}{12\pi^2} \log \frac{p^2}{p_0^2}) \sim \text{order 1.}$ )

We can include to the propagator all the possible terms

$$iG^{uv} = \text{---} + \text{---} \text{---} + \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} + \dots$$

And they translate into corrections to the potential (1PI-loop contributions)

$$\tilde{V}(p^2) = \frac{e_R^2}{p^2} \left[ 1 + \frac{e_R^2}{12\pi^2} \ln \frac{p^2}{p_0^2} + \left( \frac{e_R^2}{12\pi^2} \ln \frac{p^2}{p_0^2} \right)^2 + \dots \right] = \frac{1}{p^2} \left[ \frac{e_R^2}{1 - \frac{e_R^2}{12\pi^2} \ln \frac{p^2}{p_0^2}} \right]$$

We then define the effective coupling through the potential  $e_{\text{eff}}^2(p^2) \equiv p^2 \tilde{V}(p^2)$  so

$$e_{\text{eff}}^2(p^2) = \frac{e_R^2}{1 - \frac{e_R^2}{12\pi^2} \ln \frac{p^2}{p_0^2}} \quad \text{LEADING LOGARITHMIC SUMMATION}$$

$$e_{\text{eff}}^2(p^0) = e_R$$

Once all the 1PI-loop contributions are included, the next terms we are missing should be subleading in some expansion.

TERMS INCLUDED IN THE EFFECTIVE CHARGE ARE OF THE FORM  $e_R^2 \left( e_R^2 \ln \frac{p^2}{p_0^2} \right)^n \quad n \geq 0$

2-LOOP 1PI CONTRIBUTIONS TO BE SUBLEADING THEY SHOULD BE THE FORM  $e_R^4 \left( e_R^2 \ln \frac{p^2}{p_0^2} \right)^n$

$\sim$  To check we would need to perform the full  $O(e_R^4)$  calculation  $\Rightarrow$  to understand that there are not  $\ll$  from a 1PI 2-loop calculation RG gives shortcut to systematic resummation beyond LEADING LOGARITHMIC

- If there were no large logs we would be fine with fixed-order perturbation theory

- If there are large logs  $\Rightarrow$  NEED RG

The RGE (Renormalization Group Equation) then comes from requiring that the potential is independent of  $\beta_0^2$

$$\beta_0^2 \frac{d}{d\beta_0^2} \tilde{V}(p^2) = 0$$

•  $\tilde{V}(p^2)$  has explicit  $\beta_0^2$  dependence

IMPLICIT  $\beta_0^2$  dependence through the scale where  $e_R$  is defined

In fact recall  $e_R$  was defined so that  $\beta_0^2 \tilde{V}(p^2) = e_R^2$  exactly, and the effective charge is defined by  $e_{\text{eff}}^2(p^2) \equiv p^2 \tilde{V}(p^2)$  we can make the  $\beta_0^2$  dependence of  $\tilde{V}(p^2)$  explicit by replacing  $e_R$  by  $e_{\text{eff}}(p^2)$

So

$$\tilde{V}(p^2) = \frac{e_{\text{eff}}^2}{p^2} \left( 1 - \frac{e_{\text{eff}}^2}{12\pi^2} \ln \frac{\beta_0^2}{p^2} \right) + \dots$$

then at 1-loop the RGE is

$$0 = \beta_0^2 \frac{d}{d\beta_0^2} \tilde{V}(p^2) = \frac{1}{p^2} \left( \beta_0^2 \frac{de_{\text{eff}}}{d\beta_0^2} 2e_{\text{eff}} - \frac{e_{\text{eff}}^4}{12\pi^2} - \beta_0^2 \frac{de_{\text{eff}}}{d\beta_0^2} \frac{e_{\text{eff}}^3}{3\pi^2} \ln \frac{\beta_0^2}{p^2} + \dots \right)$$

To solve this in perturbation theory we note that  $de_{\text{eff}}/d\beta_0^2$  must scale as  $e_{\text{eff}}^3$  and so the third term inside the bracket is subleading.

Thus 1-loop RGE is

$$\beta_0^2 \frac{de_{\text{eff}}}{d\beta_0^2} = \frac{e_{\text{eff}}^3}{24\pi^2}$$

Solving this differential equation with boundary condition  $e_{\text{eff}}(\beta_0) = e_R$  gives

$$e_{\text{eff}}^2(p^2) = \frac{e_R^2}{1 - \frac{e_R^2}{12\pi^2} \ln \frac{p^2}{\beta_0^2}} \quad \boxed{\begin{array}{l} \text{Some effective charge we got} \\ \text{summing up 1PI diagrams} \end{array}}$$

## UNIVERSALITY OF LARGE LOGS

Large Logarithms arise when one scale is much bigger or much smaller than every relevant scale.

In the vacuum polarization calculation, we considered the limit where the off-shellness  $p^2$  of the photon was much larger than the electron mass  $m^2$ .

In the limit where one scale is much larger than all the other scales, we can set all the other physical scales to zero to first approximation.

If we do this in the vacuum polarization diagram we find that the full vacuum polarization function at order  $e_R^2$  is

$$\Pi(p^2) = \frac{e_R^2}{12\pi^2} \left[ \frac{2}{\varepsilon} + \ln\left(\frac{\mu^2}{-p^2}\right) + \text{const} \right] + \beta_3 \quad (\text{DR}) \quad (*)$$

The equivalent result using a regulator with a dimensional UV cutoff is

$$\Pi(p^2) = \frac{e_R^2}{12\pi^2} \left[ \ln\left(\frac{\Lambda^2}{-p^2}\right) + \text{const} \right] + \beta_3 \quad (\text{PV})$$

If the only scale is  $p^2$ , the logarithm of  $p^2$  must be compensated by a logarithm of some other unphysical scale, in this case the cutoff  $\Lambda^2$  (or  $\mu^2$  in dimensional regularizations)

If we renormalize at SAME SCALE defining

$$\beta_3 = -\frac{e_R^2}{12\pi^2} \log \frac{\Lambda^2}{-p_0^2} \rightarrow \Pi(p^2) = \frac{e_R^2}{12\pi} \left[ \log\left(\frac{p_0^2}{p^2}\right) + \text{const} \right] \quad (\text{PV})$$

$$\beta_3 = \frac{e_R^2}{12\pi^2} \left( -\frac{1}{\varepsilon} \right) \rightarrow \Pi(p^2) = \frac{e_R^2}{12\pi} \left[ \log\left(\frac{\mu^2}{p^2}\right) + \text{const} \right] \quad (\text{DR})$$

However one can choose in dimensional regularization

$$\beta_3 = \frac{e_R^2}{12\pi^2} \left[ -\frac{2}{\varepsilon} - \ln\left(\frac{\mu^2}{p_0^2}\right) \right] \rightarrow \Pi(p^2) = \frac{e_R^2}{12\pi} \left[ \log\left(\frac{p_0^2}{p^2}\right) + \text{const} \right]$$

that is equivalent of choosing  $\mu^2 = p_0^2$  in (\*) and subtracting  $1/\varepsilon$  term.

$\Rightarrow \mu$  RENORMALIZATION SCALE

Although we choose  $\mu$  to be a physical scale, observable should be independent of  $\mu$ . At fixed order in perturbation theory, verifying  $\mu$  independence can be a strong theoretical cross check

Since  $\mu$  is the renormalization point, the effective coupling becomes  $e_{\text{eff}}(\mu)$  and the RGE becomes

$$\mu \frac{d e_{\text{eff}}(\mu)}{d \mu} = \frac{e_{\text{eff}}^3(\mu)}{12 \mu^2}$$

### Renormalization Group from counterterms

We have seen how large logs of the form  $\ln \mathcal{Z}^2/\mathcal{Z}_c^2$  can be resummed through a differential equation which establishes that physical quantities are independent of the scale  $\mathcal{Z}^2$  where the renormalized coupling is defined

Let's recall where the factors  $\mu$  come from. Recall the BARE Lagrangian for QED

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \bar{\psi}^0 (i \not{D} - e^0 \not{\gamma}^\mu A_\mu^0 - m^0) \psi^0$$

The quantities appearing here are infinite, or if we are in  $d=4-\varepsilon$  dimensions they are finite but scale as the inverse powers of  $\varepsilon$

The dimensions can be read off from the Lagrangian

$$[A_\mu^0] = \frac{d-2}{2} \quad [\psi^0] = \frac{d-1}{2} \quad [m^0] = 1 \quad [e^0] = \frac{4-d}{2}$$

In particular we would like the charge  $e_R$  we expand in to be a number, and the fields to have canonical normalization.

We therefore rescale by

$$A_\mu = \frac{1}{\sqrt{Z_3}} A_\mu^0 \quad \psi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{Z_2}} \psi^0 \quad m_R = \frac{1}{Z_m} m^0 \quad e_R = \frac{1}{Z_c} \mu^{\frac{d-4}{2}} e^0$$

which leads to

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} Z_3 F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + i Z_2 \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi - m_e Z_2 Z_m \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu - \mu^{\frac{4-d}{2}} e_R Z_e Z_2 \sqrt{Z_3} \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu$$

with  $e_R$  and the  $Z_x$  dimensionless, even in  $d = 4 - \varepsilon$  dimensions

Recall also the the 1-loop  $\overline{MS}$  counterterms

$$\delta_2 = \frac{e_R^2}{16\pi^2} \left[ -\frac{2}{\varepsilon} \right] \quad \delta_3 = \frac{e_R^2}{16\pi^2} \left[ -\frac{8}{3\varepsilon} \right] \quad \delta_m = \frac{e_R^2}{16\pi^2} \left[ -\frac{6}{\varepsilon} \right] \quad \delta_e = \frac{e_R^2}{16\pi^2} \left[ \frac{4}{3\varepsilon} \right]$$

where each of these counterterms is defined by  $Z_x = 1 + \delta_x$

Notice that, since there is  $\mu$  dependence in the renom  $\mathcal{L}$  but not in the BARE  $\mathcal{L}$  we must have

$$0 = \mu \frac{d}{d\mu} e^0 = \mu \frac{d}{d\mu} [\mu^{\frac{\varepsilon}{2}} e_R Z_e] = \mu^{\frac{3}{2}} e_R Z_e \left[ \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\mu}{e_R} \frac{d}{d\mu} e_R + \frac{\mu}{Z_e} \frac{d}{d\mu} Z_e \right]$$

at leading order in  $e_R$ ,  $Z_e = 1$  and so

$$\mu \frac{d}{d\mu} e_R = -\frac{\varepsilon}{2} e_R$$

at next order, we have

$$\mu \frac{d}{d\mu} Z_e = \mu \frac{d}{d\mu} \left( 1 + \frac{e_R^2}{16\pi^2} \frac{4}{3\varepsilon} \right) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \frac{e_R}{6\pi^2} \mu \frac{d}{d\mu} e_R = -\frac{e_R^2}{12\pi^2}$$

So

$$\beta(e_R) \equiv \mu \frac{d}{d\mu} e_R = -\frac{\varepsilon}{2} e_R + \frac{e_R^3}{12\pi^2}$$

$$\text{In this theory is easy: } Z_e = \frac{Z_2}{Z_2 \sqrt{Z_3}}, \quad Z_1 = Z_2, \quad Z_e = \frac{1}{\sqrt{Z_3}}$$

QCD MORE COMPLEX

$$\sim \beta = \mu \frac{d\alpha}{d\mu} \quad \text{sometimes, with } \alpha = \frac{e_R^2}{4\pi}$$

Follows

$$\beta(\alpha) = -2\alpha \left[ \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \left(\frac{\alpha}{4\pi}\right) \beta_0 + \left(\frac{\alpha}{4\pi}\right)^2 \beta_2 + \dots \right] \quad \beta_0 = -\frac{2}{3} < 0$$

at leading order  $\alpha(\mu) = \frac{2\pi}{\beta_0} \frac{1}{\log \frac{\mu}{\Lambda_{\text{QED}}}} \quad (\star)$

QED blows up at  $\Lambda_{\text{QED}}$   $\Rightarrow$  Landau Pole

• When  $\alpha(m_e = 511 \text{ keV}) = \frac{1}{137}$  we find  $\Lambda_{\text{QED}} = 10^{286} \text{ eV}$

In writing solutions for RGE  $(\star)$  we have swapped a number  $1/137$  for a dimensional scale  $\Lambda_{\text{QED}}$ .

This is known as **DIMENSIONAL TRANSFORMATION**.

We introduced the effective charge, we specified a scale and the value of  $\alpha$  measured at that scale. But now we see that only a scale is needed.

This uncovers a very profound MISCONCEPTION of nature: electrodynamics is fundamentally not defined by the electric charge but by a dimensional scale  $\Lambda_{\text{QED}}$ . But this has sense only referred to another scale:  $m_e$ .  
So  $m_e/\Lambda_{\text{QED}}$  define QED completely.

While we have the counterterms handy, let us work out the RGE for the electron mass. The bare mass  $m^0$  must be independent of  $\mu$ , so

$$0 = \mu \frac{d}{d\mu} m^0 = \mu \frac{d}{d\mu} (z_m m_R) = z_m m_R \left[ \frac{\mu}{m_R} \frac{d m_R}{d\mu} + \frac{\mu}{z_m} \frac{d z_m}{d\mu} \right]$$

We conventionally define

$$\gamma_m \equiv \frac{\mu}{m_R} \frac{d m_R}{d\mu} \quad \gamma_m \text{ ANOMALOUS DIMENSION}$$

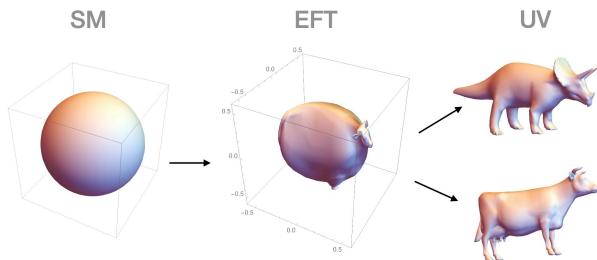
Since  $Z_m$  only depends on  $\mu$  through  $\epsilon_R$ , we have

$$\gamma_m = -\frac{\mu}{Z_m} \frac{dZ_m}{d\mu} = -\frac{1}{Z_m} \frac{dZ_m}{d\epsilon_R} \mu \frac{d\epsilon_R}{d\mu}$$

At 1-loop,  $Z_m = 1 - \frac{3\epsilon_R^2}{8\pi^2 \varepsilon}$  and to leading non-vanishing order  $\mu \frac{d\epsilon_R}{d\mu} = \beta(\epsilon_R) = -\frac{\varepsilon}{2} \epsilon_R$

$$\gamma_m = -\frac{1}{1 + \delta_m} \left( \frac{2}{\epsilon_R} \delta_m \right) \left( -\frac{\varepsilon}{2} \epsilon_R \right) = \delta_m \varepsilon = -\frac{3\epsilon_R^2 \varepsilon}{8\pi^2} \quad \text{FINITE.}$$

10) Consider SMEFT and present with details at least 2 aspects that you deem the most important ones (example: basis concept, RG running, global fits)



It's not a full theory  $\rightarrow$  Add higher dim operators  $\rightarrow$  UV Full theory  
 (SM symmetries are satisfied at low energy)  $\rightarrow$  (start to shape towards the new complete theory)  $\rightarrow$  (I don't know which is the right one)

$\Rightarrow$  I study deviations from the SM at low energy, I probe at high  $\Lambda$ .  
 If I get closer, small  $\Lambda$ , higher energy, I understand which one is it.

Several things to consider:

1. There are several possible higher dimensional operators that I can choose.

dim 5: only 1

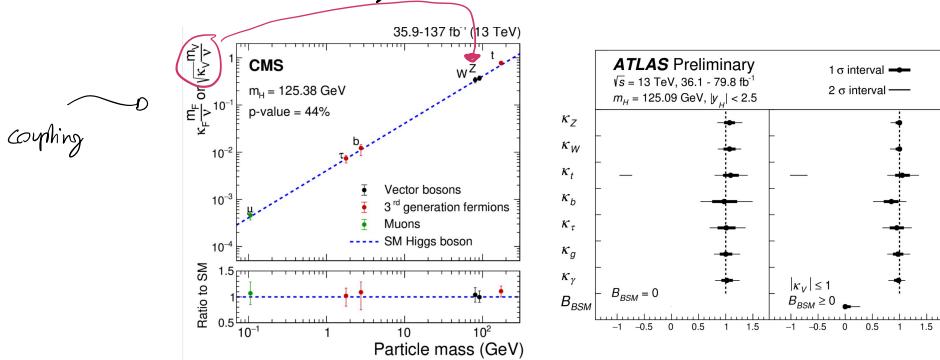
$$\frac{1}{\Lambda} (\phi L_L)(\phi L_L)$$

- mass neutrino Majorana
- violates Lepton Number

$\rightsquigarrow$  we know neutrino have masses

dim 6: several 2483 operators. How do we choose?

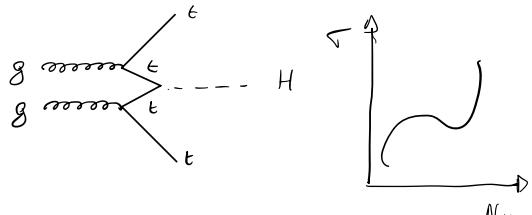
## The SM success story



How do I measure the coupling of Higgs to particles?

USE PARTIAL WIDTH

→ Not for the top: At LHC they use

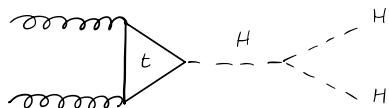


There is a MISSING PARTICLE: Higgs

Why? we know the mass but not the coupling.

To have the coupling I need to measure self higgs coupling.

→ DOUBLE HIGGS PRODUCTION



We can say that LHC after the Higgs didn't discover new particles and also there are no significant deviation from the expected values.

→ New resonances or effects have not been observed

NEW SEARCHES FOR BSM physics have pushed new physics to higher energy scales, motivating the use of indirect approaches like SMEFT

→ New physics is heavy: need for Precision Measurements + Heavy new Physics  
SMEFT

How do we search for new physics?

- is based on adding new higher dimensions operators
- EFT is generic and model independent

→ EFT serves as an interface between UV physics and low energy phenomena

Rules to Follow:

- New physics sufficiently higher than all mass scales in the calculations
- Global analysis: INCLUDE ALL POSSIBLE OPERATORS

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Do you remember the number of dim 6 operators? There are 2489 BUT

- $\mathcal{L}$  is not a physical object
- There are link between operators
- It's possible to reduce to a min number of operators.  
(You chose a basis)

So now that we have 10 (for example) we write

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + c_1 \mathcal{L}_1 + c_2 \mathcal{L}_2 + \dots$$

how do I measure  $c_1, c_2 \dots$ ? Build observables.

IF we have 10 operators, how many observable do I need?

This is philosophy of SMEFT.

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How many measurements do I need in the SM? 18

## SMEFT

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \sum_i \frac{c_i O_i^D}{\Lambda^{D-4}}$$

$O_i$  : MUST RESPECT THE SM SYMMETRIES

Some are imposed, some are coincidental

- gauge symmetry  $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$   
- accidental symmetry

↳ gauge be broken  
in the SMEFT

dim 5 operator

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \frac{1}{\Lambda} \mathcal{L}_5$$

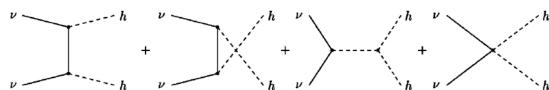
## Majorna Neutrinos

There is only one such operator that can be added:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{\Lambda} (\mathcal{L}^T \mathcal{E} \phi) + (\phi^T \mathcal{E} \mathcal{L}) + \text{h.c.} \quad \mathcal{E} \equiv i\tau_2$$

When the higgs acquires a vev the term give rise to a Majorana neutrino mass  $m_\nu = c \frac{v^2}{\Lambda}$

Computing all amplitudes



→ This grows with the energy = UNITARITY VIOLATIONS

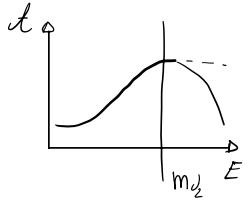
A UV completion of dim=5 operator (there are few) is the see-saw model

$$\mathcal{L} = -y_0 \bar{\nu}_L \phi^* \nu_R - \frac{1}{2} M_R \nu_R^\top C \nu_R + \text{H.c.}$$

with a Dirac mass term and a Majorana one.  $\int^D$  We have a heavy neutrino and a light one

At this point the amplitude  $W \rightarrow hh$  doesn't grow anymore because the last interaction is not present anymore

Actually the amplitude  $\mathcal{A}$  grows with energy until  $m_\nu$  then it goes down



When does this amplitude violates unitarity?  $1 > \frac{m_\nu E}{v^2}$

$$E < \frac{v^2}{m_\nu} \sim 10^{15} \text{ GeV}$$

By having a lower bound on neutrino we get an upper limit on  $\Lambda$ .  
 $\Rightarrow$  Nice example of the EFT frame

Now we go back to dim 6.

The possible operators are

Dimension-6 operators of the SMEFT: **Interaction** **Impact**

$X^3 : \epsilon_{IJK} \overset{2}{W}_{\mu\nu}^I \overset{2}{W}^{J,\nu\rho} \overset{2}{W}_{\rho}^{K,\mu}$	gauge boson self-coupling	diboson
$H^6 : (\varphi^\dagger \varphi)^3$	Higgs potential, self-coupling	di-Higgs
$\psi^2 H^3 : (\varphi^\dagger \varphi) (\bar{q}_i u_j \tilde{\varphi})$	Higgs-fermion (Yukawa)	$t\bar{t}H, H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$
$\psi^2 H^2 D : (\varphi^\dagger \overset{2}{D}_\mu \varphi) (\bar{q}_i \gamma^\mu q_j)$	gauge-fermion ( $Z, W$ )	$Z, W$ prod.
$X^2 H^2 : (\varphi^\dagger \varphi) G_{\mu\nu}^a G_a^{\mu\nu}$	gauge-Higgs	$ggH, H \rightarrow VV$
$H^4 D^2 : (\varphi^\dagger D^\mu \varphi)^* (\varphi^\dagger D^\mu \varphi)$	Higgs-Z	$m_Z$ (LEP)
$\psi^2 XH : (\bar{q}_i \sigma^{\mu\nu} u_j \tilde{\varphi}) B_{\mu\nu}$	dipole	$ffV, ffVH$
$\psi^4 : (\bar{q}_i \gamma^\mu q_j)(\bar{q}_k \gamma_\mu q_l)$	four fermion	ffff scattering
SM gauge group singlets		

The first possible dim 6 operator is called GAUGE-BOSON-SELF-COUPLING

⇒ We put together 3 field strengths

$$\underbrace{W_\mu^i W_\nu^j W_\rho^k}_{\text{dim 2}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} F^{abc} \\ \epsilon^{ijk} \end{array} \right.$$

$\partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu$

⇒ The index is for the NON-ABELIAN STRUCTURE

Algebra  $[W^i, W^b] = i f^{abc} W^c$   $SU(3)$

$$[\tilde{e}^i, \tilde{e}^j] = i \epsilon^{ijk} \tilde{e}^k \quad SU(2) \text{ Lee Algebra}$$


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Another operator is  $\frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2} (\phi^+ \phi)^3$

- If you add this operator MODIFIES THE RELATION BETWEEN THE MASS AND COUPLINGS  
see below

Another important operator is

$$\frac{(\phi^+ \phi)}{\Lambda^2} [c_i \tilde{e}_R^\mu \phi_R^\nu + \text{h.c.}] \quad \Rightarrow \text{Yukawa operator}$$

$$\left( \text{Yukawa in dim 4} \right) \quad \text{Measuring } m_F \text{ and } y_F \text{ they have to satisfy this relation} \Rightarrow \text{SM prediction}$$

How do I see the effects of this operator?

So  $\phi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{v+h}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\phi^+ \phi = \frac{1}{2} (v+h)^2$

$$\frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2} \frac{1}{2} (v+h)^2 \boxed{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (v+h) (\bar{e}_R^\mu \phi_R^\nu + \text{h.c.})}$$

SM ( $1/\text{GeV}$ )

What is me? It's not the letter case we have also the other one

$$\boxed{\frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} (v+h)^3 + y_F \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (v+h)} (\bar{e}_R^\mu \phi_R^\nu + \text{h.c.})$$

$$\leadsto m_F^{EFT} = \frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} v^3 + y_F \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} v \quad \textcircled{2} \text{ This is the mass in the EFT}$$

$$\leadsto y_F^{EFT} = \frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} 3v^2 + \frac{y_F}{\sqrt{2}} \quad \textcircled{2} \text{ This is the coupling to the Higgs}$$

We can take  $c_i$  from above \textcircled{1} and substitute in \textcircled{2}

$\rightarrow$  In  $\text{DIM6}$   $m_F$  and  $y_F^{EFT}$  are not related see above

The relation  $\frac{y_F}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{m_F}{v}$  is broken (doesn't hold anymore) and  $y_F, m_F$  are free parameters which depend on  $c_i$

Looking to the Four Fermion operator  $\bar{Q}_i \gamma^\mu Q_j \bar{Q}_k \gamma_\mu Q_l$

Flavour  $\Rightarrow$  increases the # operator

Only place in the SM where we have a Flavour dependence is in the charge currents (they are Flavour diagonal)  
 $\rightarrow \bar{Q}_i W^\mu V_{CKM} d_j$

Typical questions for exam is to check a random operator of block if is dim-6 and invariant under SM gauge groups

## The way of SMEFT

One can satisfy all the previous requirements by building an EFT on top of the SM that respects the gauge symmetries

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \sum_i^N c_i \mathcal{O}_i^{(6)} + \frac{1}{\Lambda^4} \sum_j \tilde{c}_j \mathcal{O}_j^{(8)} + \dots$$

With the only assumption that all new states are heavier than energy probed by the experiment  
 $\sqrt{s} < \Lambda$

The theory is renormalizable order by order in  $1/\Lambda$ , perturbative computations can be consistently performed at any order, and the theory is predictive, i.e. well defined patterns of deviations are allowed, that can be further limited by adding assumptions from UV.

Operators can lead to larger effects at high energy (for different reasons)

A simple approach:

The master equation of an EFT approach has three key elements

$$\Delta \text{Obs}_n = \text{Obs}_n^{\text{exp}} - \text{Obs}_n^{\text{SM}} = \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \sum_i \tilde{a}_{n,i}^{(6)}(\mu) c_i^{(6)}(\mu) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\Lambda^4}\right)$$

UNKNOWN

$\text{Most precise experimental measurements}$        $\text{Most precise SM prediction (NLO, NNLO, ...)}$        $\text{Most precise EFT predictions}$

$\sim$  Theory is linear in Wilson coeff

What we are doing is NOT TESTING the SM, but testing another theory that deviates from the SM.

→ The graph shows that the calculation is for EACH OBSERVABLE and what I'll have is a linear system.

~ In the system I know everything and I solve for  $c_i$

Why this is so powerful?

- Imagine  $C_1$  is non-zero  $\rightarrow$  but the uncertainty is very large!  
I cannot say anything.

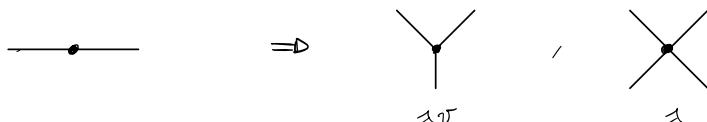
What do I do? I can combine the measurem. using the other observables  
That's what in the picture.  $\leadsto$  combination.

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta O_1 &= O_1^{\text{exp}} - O_1^{\text{SM}} = \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \overset{(6)}{\cancel{\alpha_{1,2}(\mu)}} C_1(\mu) + \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \overset{(6)}{\cancel{\alpha_{1,2}(\mu)}} C_2(\mu) + \\ \Delta O_2 &= O_2^{\text{exp}} - O_2^{\text{SM}} = \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \overset{(6)}{\cancel{\alpha_{2,1}(\mu)}} C_1(\mu) + \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \overset{(6)}{\cancel{\alpha_{2,1}(\mu)}} C_2(\mu) + \\ \Delta O_3 &= O_3^{\text{exp}} - O_3^{\text{SM}} = \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \overset{(6)}{\cancel{\alpha_{3,1}(\mu)}} C_1(\mu) + \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \overset{(6)}{\cancel{\alpha_{3,2}(\mu)}} C_2(\mu) + \\ &\vdots\end{aligned}$$

Power: Relate measurements done in different experiments and putting them together in one frame

$\leadsto$  Which theory has  $C_1$  with  $\overset{(6)}{\cancel{\alpha_{1,2}(\mu)}}$ ,  $\overset{(6)}{\cancel{\alpha_{2,1}(\mu)}}$  and  $C_2$ ...  
So you search for the corresponding uv theory

### SM Locking



Predicting power of the SM? Once you know the masses of the particles you know EVERYTHING

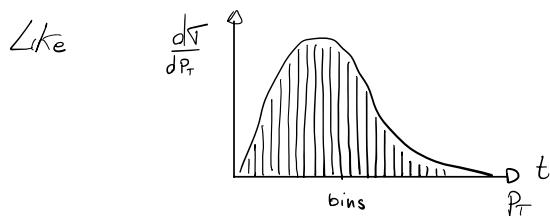
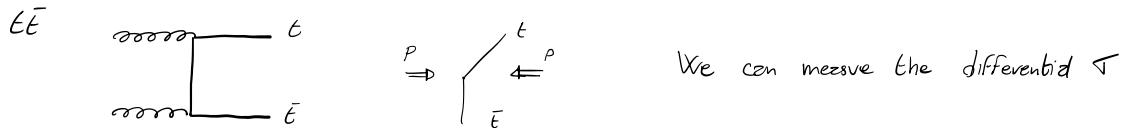
- If you know Fermion mass  $\rightarrow$  You know Yukawa
- If you know  $W, Z$  masses  $\rightarrow$  You know  $g, g'$   
(or you know from  $\mu$  decay)
- If you know  $h$  mass  $\rightarrow$  You know  $\lambda$

You locked the interactions (3-points, 4-points) once you know the 2 point EFT  $\rightarrow$  unlaking the SM  $\rightarrow$  Yukawa, mass

To motivate the build of the FCC the EFTs are used.

Assumptions are made: the CKM structure is maintained at dim-6 and we don't impose more symmetries.

Then we need to identify observables to measure at colliders.



With measurements we are getting an histogram  
no Each bin is an observable cause has its own  
measured value and uncertainty

Now we consider the insertion of a new operator: CHROMOMAGNETIC OPERATOR

$$\bar{Q} \tilde{\phi} T^a \tau^{\mu\nu} t_R G_{\mu\nu}^a$$

- it looks like Yukawa ( $\bar{Q} \tilde{\phi} t_R$ ) but there is a dipole operator  $\tau^{\mu\nu}$  and Gauß field strength

The operator is dim 6

- $Q = 3/2$
- $\tilde{\phi} = 1$
- $t_R = 3/2$
- $G_{\mu\nu} = 2$

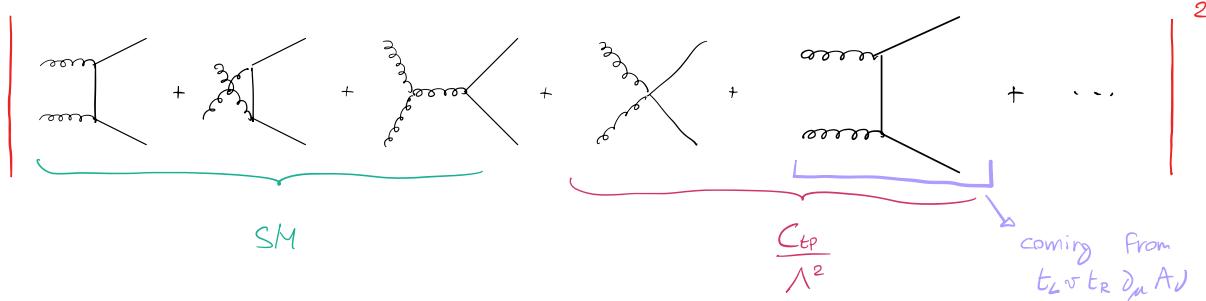
when the higgs gets its rev  $\phi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ h \end{pmatrix}$   
developing also  $G_{\mu\nu}^a = \partial_\mu A_\nu^a - \partial_\nu A_\mu^a + ig f^{abc} A_\mu^b A_\nu^c$   
NON ABELIAN

So will end up with a term like

$$\begin{array}{c} 3/2 \quad 3/2 \quad 2 \\ \sqrt{t} t A A \\ \text{dim 5} \end{array}$$

NOT IN THE SM

So now I have a QCD diagram to add at the previous



Squaring the new term only ( $\rightarrow \frac{1}{\Lambda^4}$ ) we go beyond the accuracy of an EFT expansion.

Our accuracy is still in  $\frac{1}{\Lambda^2}$ , that is a dim 6 term. If adding the higher term we get something non consistent  $\Rightarrow$  We use it only for check.

So what I do is the  $Q_b^{\text{TH}} - Q_b^{\text{exp}}$  that we discussed

NLO (no)	Process	$O_{tG}$	$O_{tB}$	$O_{tW}$	$O_{\varphi Q}^{(3)}$	$O_{\varphi Q}^{(1)}$	$O_{\varphi t}$	$O_{t\varphi}$	$O_{bW}$	$O_{\varphi tb}$	$O_{4F}$	$O_G$	$O_{\varphi G}$
✓	$t \rightarrow bW \rightarrow bl^+\nu$	N	L	L					$L^2$	$L^2$	$1L^2$		
✓	$pp \rightarrow t j$	N	L	L					$L^2$	$L^2$	1L		
✓	$pp \rightarrow tW$	L	L	L					$L^2$	$L^2$	1N		
✓	$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}$	L									$2L-4N$	L	
✓	$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}j$	L									$2L-4N$	L	
✓	$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{t}j$	L	L	L							$2L-4N$	L	
✓	$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}Z$	L	L	L	L	L					$2L-4N$	L	
✓	$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}W$	L									$2L-4N$	L	
✓	$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}j$	N	L	L	L				$L^2$	$L^2$	1L		
✓	$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}Zj$	N	L	L	L	L	L		$L^2$	$L^2$	1L		
✓	$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{t}j$	L									$2L-4L$	L	
✓	$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}H$	L									$2L-4L$	L	L
✓	$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}Hj$	N		L	L				$L$	$L^2$	1L		
○ ✓	$gg \rightarrow H$	L										N	L
○ ✗	$gg \rightarrow Hj$	L										L	L
○ ✗	$gg \rightarrow HH$	L										N	L
○ ✗	$gg \rightarrow HZ$	L		L	L	L						N	L

L: Leading order  
N: Next lead ord

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Chromodyn operator  
enters many observable

- If an entrance is activated means that the corresponding  $\alpha_i$  is non zero

What is the aim of this? What is the minimal requirement of this table to satisfy?

$\rightarrow$  I have to constrain 2 coefficient per each column, so at least has to happen

If one column is empty I have nothing to fix the quanta with.

I need to have at least one entry per each column, the more entries the better it is.

Now let's do this game with 3 operators:

$$\mathcal{O}_{t\phi} = y_t^3 (\phi^\dagger \phi) (\bar{q} t) \tilde{\phi}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\phi G} = y_t^2 (\phi^\dagger \phi) G_{\mu\nu}^A G^{A\mu\nu}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{tG} = y_t g_s (\bar{q} \tau^{\mu\nu} \tau^\alpha t) \tilde{\phi} G_{\mu\nu}^A$$

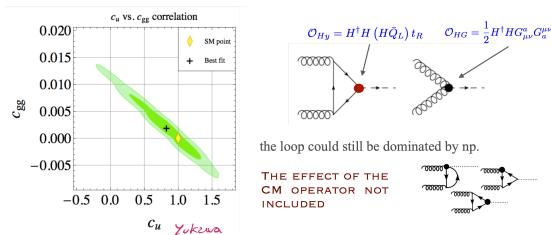
and I take 2 observables

$$\begin{aligned} gg \rightarrow tt H \\ gg \rightarrow H \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} gg \rightarrow H + j \\ gg \rightarrow HH \end{aligned}$$

then I do a global fit

What I find is

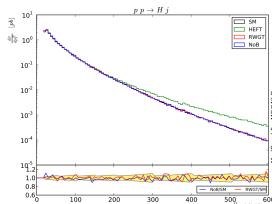
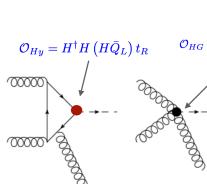


Here I have  $gg \rightarrow H$  so 1 measurement and 2 observables.

~ FLAT DIRECTION ~ I constrain the sum but not the DIFFERENCE.

Now I add observables: Higgs production with an extra jet

$$gg \rightarrow H + j$$



Now something is happening:  
the 2 diagrams behave differently  
at high  $p_T$ .

The wavelength is small.

So it's small enough for the jet to "see" the loop.  
⇒ Resolve flat direction

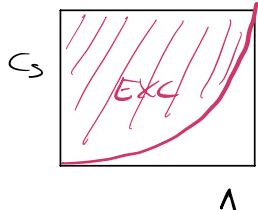
And I continue adding info doing a global Fit.

## Running Wilson coefficients

Suppose we measure  $\tau\tau$  production at our colliders

→ Use invariant mass to set limit on  $C_S$

$$\frac{C_S}{\Lambda^2} < 1 \text{ TeV}^{-2}$$



In order for the limit to be valid we have to exclude that region.

Why excluded because  $\Delta Q_b = Q_b^{\text{th}} - Q_b^{\text{ex}} = \frac{C_S}{\Lambda^2} \cdot \text{O.A.}$



↳ This means that if the new scale is near the SM then the  $C_S$  coefficients are more excludable

$$\text{Since } \Delta Q_b = 1 \text{ TeV}^{-2}$$

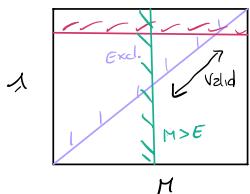
$$\text{So } \frac{C_S}{\Lambda^2} < 1 \text{ TeV}^{-2}$$

If the scale of the new physics goes higher, then we cannot exclude less  $C_S$  because they can be as high as they want since  $\Lambda$  is big

Take  $\phi$  model and we match

$$\frac{C_S}{\Lambda^2} = \frac{\lambda^2}{M^2} \quad C_T = 0$$

Then the limit goes to  $\lambda^2/M^2$  but the dependence is now linear



• Beyond some value  $\lambda$  is non perturbative  
 ↳ Theory is not predictive, can't match

• We measure at some energy/mass bin,  $E$ : must be less than  $M$