

§4.4 Renormalization away from the critical point and critical exponents

Up to now we have normalization conditions

$$\Gamma_R^{(2)}(0; g) = 0$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial}{\partial k^2} \Gamma_R^{(2)}(k; g) \right|_{k^2 = k^2} = 1 \quad (1)$$

$$\Gamma_R^{(4)}(k; i g) \Big|_{SP} = g$$

→ correspond to renormalized mass $m^2 = 0$

Recall that for the Ising model we saw

$$\chi = G_0(k=0) = \mu^{-2} \quad \text{or} \quad \chi^{-1} = \mu^2$$

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susceptibility

where

$$\mu^2 \equiv \frac{1}{\rho^2} \frac{T - T_0}{T_0}$$

is the square of the "free mass" and is a linear measure of the temperature.

→ free theory shows phase transition at

$$T \sim T_0 \quad \text{with critical exponent } \gamma = 1$$

or $\mu^2 \sim 0$

Turning on interactions with bare coupling λ changes this picture:

$$\text{at one-loop: } \chi^{-1} = \mu^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \int dq \frac{1}{q^2 + \mu^2}$$

→ critical temperature is lowered:

$$\mu_c^2 = T_c - T_0 = -\frac{\lambda}{2} \int dq \frac{1}{q^2 + \mu_c^2} \quad (2)$$

RG flow gives scaling behaviour at

$$\mu^2 (\mu^2 = \mu_c^2) = 0 \quad (\text{compare eqs. (1)})$$

→ to extract critical exponents, need to perturb away from this point!

introduce

$$\mu^2 \phi^2 = \mu_c^2 + (\mu^2 - \mu_c^2) \phi^2 = \mu_c^2 + \delta \mu^2 \phi^2 \quad (3)$$

with $\delta \mu^2 \ll 1$

Then we can expand the bare vertex

$$\Gamma^{(N)}(k_i; \mu^2, \lambda, \Lambda) = \sum_{M=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{M!} (\delta \mu^2)^M \Gamma^{(N, M)}(k_i; \mu_c^2, \lambda, \Lambda) \quad (4)$$

What is $\Gamma^{(N, M)}$?

Recall definition of connected Green function:

$$G_c^{(N)}(x_1, \dots, x_N) \equiv \frac{\delta^N W[\mathcal{J}]}{\delta \mathcal{J}(x_1) \dots \delta \mathcal{J}(x_N)} \Big|_{\mathcal{J}=0}$$

Now add to the Lagrangian the interaction

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Int}} = - \int \frac{t(y)}{2!} \phi^2(y) dy \quad (5)$$

→ path integral over ϕ gives free energy

$$W[\gamma, t] = -i \ln Z[\gamma, t]$$

and we can set

$$G_c^{(N, L)}(x_1, \dots, x_N, y_1, \dots, y_L; t) \\ \equiv \frac{\delta^{N+L} W[\gamma, t]}{\delta \gamma(x_1) \dots \delta \gamma(x_N) \delta t(y_1) \dots \delta t(y_L)} \Big|_{\gamma=0}$$

from which we get

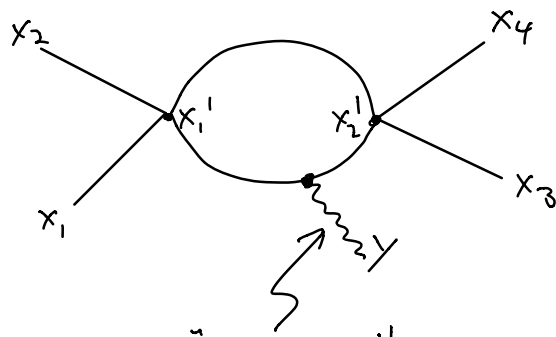
$$G_c^{(N, L+1)}(x_1, \dots, x_N, y_1, \dots, y_L; t) \\ = \frac{\delta G_c^{(N, M)}(x_1, \dots, x_N, y_1, \dots, y_L; t)}{\delta t(y_{L+1})}$$

$$\rightarrow G_c^{(N, M)}(x_i, y_i; t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k!} \int dy_{L+1} \dots dy_{L+k} t(y_{L+1}) \dots t(y_{L+k}) \\ \times G_c^{(N, L+k)}(x_1, y_1, \dots, x_L, y_{L+1}, \dots, y_{L+k})$$

where we have defined

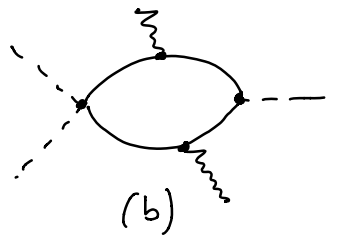
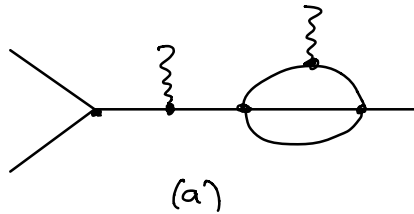
$$G_c^{(N, L)}(x_i, y_i) \equiv G_c^{(N, L)}(x_i, y_i; t) \Big|_{t=0}$$

Pictorially, a graph of $G_c^{(4, 1)}$ may look like:



"composite operator" ϕ^2

Define 1PI part of $G_c^{(N,L)}(t)$ as $\Gamma^{(N,L)}(t)$
 \rightarrow graphs of $G_c^{(2,2)}$ and $\Gamma^{(3,2)}$;



and we have :

$$\Gamma^{(N)}(x_1, \dots, x_N; t) = \sum_{L=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{L!} \int dx_1 \dots dx_L \Gamma^{(N,L)}(x_1, \dots, x_N; y_1, \dots, y_L) \times t(y_1) \dots t(y_L)$$

and

$$\Gamma^{(N,L)} \equiv \frac{\delta^{N+L} \Gamma[\bar{\Phi}, t]}{\delta \bar{\Phi}(x_1) \dots \delta \bar{\Phi}(x_N) \delta t(y_1) \dots \delta t(y_L)} \Big|_{\eta = t = 0}$$

where

$$\Gamma[\bar{\Phi}, t] = \sum \bar{\Phi}^i \eta_i - W[\eta, t]$$

Applying to our current situation with

$$\mu^2 \phi^2 = \mu_c^2 \phi^2 + \delta \mu \phi^2$$

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composite operator

we get

$$(5) \Gamma^{(N)}(k_i; \mu^2, \lambda, \Lambda) = \sum_{M=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{M!} (\delta \mu^2)^M \Gamma^{(N,M)}(k_i, q_i=0; \mu_c^2, \lambda, \Lambda)$$

For $\Lambda \rightarrow \infty$ there will be divergences

→ renormalize by writing

$$\Gamma_R^{(N,M)}(k_i, q_i; g, k) = Z_\phi^{N/2} Z_\phi^M \Gamma^{(N,M)}(k_i, q_i; \mu_c^2, \lambda, \Lambda)$$

with $\delta \mu^2 = T - T_c = Z_\phi^2 \delta t$

→ (5) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} & \Gamma_R^{(N)}(k_1, \dots, k_N; t, u, k) \\ &= \lim_{q_i \rightarrow 0} \sum_{M=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{M!} t^M \Gamma_R^{(N,M)}(k_i, q_i; u, k) \end{aligned}$$

using

$$\left[k \frac{\partial}{\partial k} + \beta \frac{\partial}{\partial u} - \frac{1}{2} N \gamma_\phi + M \gamma_{\phi^2} \right] \Gamma_R^{(N,M)}(k_i, q_i; u, k) = 0$$

we get

$$\left[k \frac{\partial}{\partial k} + \beta(u) \frac{\partial}{\partial u} - \frac{1}{2} N \gamma_\phi(u) + \gamma_{\phi^2}(u) t \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right] \Gamma_R^{(N)}(k_i; t, u, k) = 0 \quad (6)$$

At the stationary point $u = u^*$ with $\beta(u^*) = 0$
 this eq. becomes

$$(7) \quad \left[k \frac{\partial}{\partial k} - \frac{1}{2} N \eta - \theta t \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right] \Gamma_R^{(N)}(k, i, t, u^*, k) = 0$$

where $\theta = -\gamma_{\phi^2}(u^*)$

One can show (without proof) that solutions of (7) are of the form

$$\Gamma_R^{(N)}(k, i, t, k) = k^{d + \frac{N}{2}(2-d)} (k^{-2}t)^{\frac{d + N(2-d-\eta)k}{\theta + 2}} F^{(N)}\left(k^{-1}k_i, (k^{-2}t)^{-\frac{1}{\theta+2}}\right)$$

→ homogeneous function of
 $\xi \sim t^{-1/(\theta+2)}$

→ critical exponents are extracted from

$$t^{-1/(\theta+2)} \sim |T_c - T|^{-\frac{1}{\theta+2}} = |T - T_c|^{-\nu}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{\nu}^{-1} = 2 + \theta = 2 - \gamma_{\phi^2}^*$$

Other critical exponents can be obtained from ν and γ :

- $\chi \sim C |T - T_c|^{-\gamma}$, $T > T_c$ and $\gamma = \nu(2 - \eta)$
- specific heat

$$C \sim A |T - T_c|^{-\alpha}, T > T_c \text{ and } \nu d = 2 - \alpha$$

§4.5 The Callan-Symanzik equations

Consider the normalization conditions

$$\Gamma_R^{(2)}(0; m^2, g) = m^2$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial k^2} \Gamma_R^{(2)}(0; m^2, g) = 1$$

$$\Gamma_R^{(4)}(k_i=0; m^2, g) = g$$

$$\Gamma_R^{(2,1)}(k_i=0; m^2, g) = 1$$

→ independent of k (set to 0 here), while depending on m^2

→ renormalization constants will depend on ratio m/Λ

$$\Gamma_R^{(N)}(k_i; m^2, g) = Z_\phi^{N/2} \Gamma^{(N)}(k_i; \mu^2, \lambda, \Lambda)$$

→ dimensional analysis implies

$$\mu^2 = m^2 \bar{\mu}^2(u, m/\Lambda),$$

$$\lambda = m^\epsilon u_\lambda(u, m/\Lambda),$$

$$Z_\phi = Z_\phi(u, m/\Lambda)$$

with $g = m^\epsilon u$

→ $\Gamma_R^{(N)}$ is function of k_i, m^2 and u

satisfies diff. eq. :

$$\left[m \frac{\partial}{\partial m} + \beta(u) \frac{\partial}{\partial u} - \frac{N}{2} \gamma_\phi(u) \right] \Gamma_R^{(N)}(k_i; m^2, u)$$
$$= Z_\phi^{N/2} m \left(\frac{\partial \mu^2}{\partial m} \right)_{\lambda, \Lambda} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu^2} \Gamma^{(N)}(k_i; \mu^2, \lambda, \Lambda)$$

with

$$\beta(u) = \left(m \frac{\partial u}{\partial m} \right)_{\lambda, \Lambda} = -\varepsilon \left(\frac{\partial \ln u_0}{\partial u} \right)^{-1}$$

$$\gamma_\phi(u) = m \left(\frac{\partial \ln Z_\phi}{\partial m} \right)_{\lambda, \Lambda} = \beta(u) \frac{\partial \ln Z_\phi}{\partial u}$$