

Quantization of the NC ϕ^3 model in 2 and 4

and the Kontsevich model

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Noncommutative Quantum Field The

Motivation and relevance

1. Standard model of high-energy physics, gravity based on spacetime-continuum idealization, seems unplausible;
 \Rightarrow quantized space? Heisenberg 1938
2. Gravity & Quantum Mechanics \Rightarrow space should have
3. String theory: strings ending on D-branes

D-branes in B -field background \Rightarrow strings induce
NC field theory (NCFT) on D-brane
 \Rightarrow D-branes = NC space (independent of l_p !)

Non-commutative geometry, field theory

- Manifold $\mathcal{M} \rightarrow$ NC algebra \mathcal{A} of functions on \mathcal{M} (with “pointless geometry” (von Neumann 1955)

NC (differential) geometry (Connes)

simplest example \mathbb{R}_θ^n :

$$[\hat{x}_i, \hat{x}_j] = i\theta_{ij}$$

(cp. Quantum Mechanics, phase space)

usually \exists derivatives ∂_i , integral = trace, some symmetries

- Field theory on NC space:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{M}) & \rightarrow & \mathcal{A} & \rightarrow & L(\mathcal{H}) \\ \phi(x) & \rightarrow & \hat{\phi}(\hat{x}) & \rightarrow & \phi \end{array}$$

e.g. plane waves $e^{ikx} \rightarrow e^{ik\hat{x}}$, spherical harmonics (fuzzy)

Formulation of field theory is possible, many examples

Example: the quantum plane \mathbb{R}_θ^2

“coordinate-functions” \hat{x}_i , $i = 1, 2$ satisfy CCR

$$[\hat{x}_i, \hat{x}_j] = i\theta_{ij},$$

θ_{ij} ... a.s. tensor, “background-field”

generate algebra $\mathcal{A}_\theta \cong$ Heisenberg-algebra $((\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2) \leftrightarrow (x_1, x_2))$
 representation on Hilbert space $\mathcal{H} \cong L^2(\mathbb{R})$ as in Quantum

Scalar field: $\phi = \phi(\hat{x}) \in \mathcal{A}_\theta$ resp. $\phi \in L(\mathcal{H})$... lin. operator

e.g. localized wave-packets: coherent states $\phi_{\vec{a}} =$

differential calculus

$$\hat{\partial}_i \phi = -i[\tilde{x}_i, \phi] \quad \text{for} \quad \tilde{x}_i := \theta_{ij}^{-1} \hat{x}_j$$

note: a priori, NC does not imply existence of UV - cutoff,

UV/IR relation (cp. Quantum mechanics: squeezed st

NC scalar field theory

consider some NC space, algebra \mathcal{A} (e.g. $\mathbb{R}_\theta^d, T_\theta^2, S_N^2, \mathbb{C}P_N^2$)

use representation of algebra \mathcal{A} on Hilbert space \mathcal{H}

Field $\phi(x) \rightsquigarrow \phi \in L(\mathcal{H})$... Hermitian operator on \mathcal{H}

trace replaces integral

Example:

$$S = Tr \left(\frac{1}{2} \partial_i \phi \partial_i \phi + \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2 + \frac{g}{4} \phi^4 \right)$$

can write e.g. $\phi(x) = \int dk \phi_k : e^{ikx} :$ etc.,

Quantization

formally defined by (Euclidean) path

$$\langle \phi_{k_1} \cdots \phi_{k_l} \rangle = \frac{\int [\mathcal{D}\Phi] e^{-S} \phi_{k_1} \cdots \phi_{k_l}}{\int [\mathcal{D}\Phi] e^{-S}}, \quad [\mathcal{D}\Phi] =$$

\Rightarrow Wick's theorem, however distinction planar \leftrightarrow nonplanar

propagator: as usual, $\langle \phi_k \phi_{k'} \rangle = \delta_{kk'} \frac{1}{k^2 + m^2}$

one-loop planar and non-planar self-energy diagrams:

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_P^{(2)} &:= g \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{1}{k^2 + m^2} \sim g \Lambda^{d-2}, \\ \Gamma_{NP}^{(2)}(p) &:= g \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{e^{ik\theta p}}{k^2 + m^2} \sim g \left(\frac{1}{1/\Lambda^2 + p^2 \theta^2} \right)^{\frac{d}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$\Gamma_{NP}^{(2)}(p)$ is finite as long as $p \neq 0$, but IR singularity as $p \rightarrow 0$

... UV/IR mixing (*Minwalla, Van Raam*)

central feature of NC field theories,

serious obstacle to perturbative renormalization!

nontrivial relation UV \leftrightarrow IR

momentum dependence of effective action

$$\Gamma^{(2)}(p)$$

\Rightarrow modes $p \rightarrow 0$ are suppressed (UV/IR)

spontaneous symmetry breaking, phase transition

$\langle p \rangle \neq 0 \dots$ “striped” phase *(Gubser, Sondhi)*

verified numerically *(Ambjorn, Catterall; Martin; Bietenholz; Nishimura)*

one way to overcome this problem:

The Grosse-Wulkenhaar term

add “confining” potential to action, consider

$$S = \int \left(\frac{1}{2} \partial_i \phi \partial_i \phi + \Omega^2 \tilde{x}_i \phi \tilde{x}_i \phi + \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2 + \frac{g}{4} \phi^4 \right)$$

suppresses IR !

Observation: there is a duality $x \leftrightarrow p$ at $\Omega = 1$ (*Langmuir*)

Result (Grosse - Wulkenhaar): perturbatively renormalizable

in 2 and 4 dimensions (RG techniques)

technically difficult, uses matrix formulation:

scalar field \equiv hermitian matrix $\phi_{ij} = \langle i | \phi | j \rangle$

Matrix model formulation:

scalar field $\phi \in L(\mathcal{H})$

recall: $\partial_i \phi = -i[\tilde{x}_i, \phi] \quad \Rightarrow$

$$S = \int -(\tilde{x}_i \phi \tilde{x}_i \phi - \tilde{x}_i \tilde{x}_i \phi \phi) + \Omega^2 \tilde{x}_i \phi \tilde{x}_i \phi + \frac{\mu^2}{2} \phi^2 +$$

simplifies for $\Omega = 1$ to

$$S = \int (\tilde{x}_i \tilde{x}_i + \frac{\mu^2}{2}) \phi^2 + \frac{i\tilde{\lambda}}{3!} \phi^3 = \text{Tr} \left(\frac{1}{2} J \phi^2 + \frac{i\tilde{\lambda}}{3!} \phi^3 \right)$$

where

$$J = 2(2\pi\theta)^2 \left(\sum_i \tilde{x}_i \tilde{x}_i + \frac{\mu^2}{2} \right) \quad \dots \quad \text{harmonic oscillator}$$

choose basis of eigenstates:

in $d = 2$: $J|n\rangle = 4\pi \left(n + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\mu^2\theta}{2} \right) |n\rangle, \quad n \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$

$d = 4$: $J|n_1, n_2\rangle = 8\pi^2\theta \left(n_1 + n_2 + 1 + \frac{\mu^2\theta}{2} \right) |n_1, n_2\rangle, \quad n_i \in \mathbb{N}$

The regularized (Euclidean) NC ϕ^3 model for $\Omega =$

regularization (cutoff): $\mathcal{H} = \mathbb{C}^N$ such that

$$\underline{d=2}: \quad J|n\rangle = 4\pi \left(n + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\mu^2\theta}{2}\right)|n\rangle, \quad n \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, N\}$$

$$\underline{d=4}: \quad J|n_1, n_2\rangle = 8\pi^2\theta \left(n_1 + n_2 + 1 + \frac{\mu^2\theta}{2}\right)|n_1, n_2\rangle, \quad n_i \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, N\}$$

introduce counterterms $\int A\phi + \frac{1}{2}\delta\mu^2\phi^2$ (+ one more in $d=6$)

can eliminate either linear or quadratic term:

$$S = Tr\left(-\frac{1}{2i\lambda}M^2\tilde{\phi} + \frac{i\lambda}{3!}\tilde{\phi}^3\right) = Tr\left(\frac{1}{2}MX^2 + \frac{i\lambda}{3!}X^3 - \frac{1}{2}M^3\right)$$

using shift

$$\tilde{\phi} = \phi + \frac{1}{i\lambda}J = X + \frac{1}{i\lambda}M$$

where

$$M = \sqrt{J^2 + 2(i\lambda)A}$$

= Kontsevich model !

Quantization

$$Z(M) = \int D\tilde{\phi} \exp\left(-\text{Tr}\left(-\frac{1}{2i\lambda} M^2 \tilde{\phi} + \frac{i\lambda}{3!} \tilde{\phi}^3\right)\right) =$$

Kontsevich model, for fixed given (diagonal) matrix M as a

Correlators or “ n -point functions”

$$\langle \phi_{i_1 j_1} \dots \phi_{i_n j_n} \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \int D\phi \exp(-S) \phi_{i_1 j_1} \dots \phi_{i_n j_n}$$

(recall: $\phi_{ij} \sim \langle i|\phi|j\rangle$... evaluation of field, cp. $\sim \langle x|\phi|y\rangle$)

Renormalization condition (as for free case $\lambda = 0$):

$$\langle \phi_{00} \phi_{00} \rangle = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{\mu_R^2 \theta + 1}, \quad \langle \phi_{00} \rangle = 0$$

Nontrivial task: show that all n -point functions have a

well-defined limit $N \rightarrow \infty$ (with nontrivial dependence on i)

Computation of correlators

obtained simply by taking derivatives of $F(M)$:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \phi_{ik} \rangle &= \langle \tilde{\phi}_{ik} \rangle - \frac{J_{ik}}{i\lambda} \\ &= -\frac{J_{ik}}{i\lambda} + \frac{1}{Z} 2i\lambda \frac{\partial}{\partial (M^2)_{ik}} \int D\tilde{\phi} \exp(-\text{Tr} \left(-\frac{1}{2i\lambda} M^2 \right. \\ &= -\frac{J_{ik}}{i\lambda} + 2i\lambda \frac{\partial}{\partial (M^2)_{ik}} F(M)\end{aligned}$$

etc. (this is particular for the ϕ^3 model!)

\Rightarrow only need to show: $Z(M) = e^{F(M)}$ depends smoothly on
well-defined limit $N \rightarrow \infty$.

however: nontrivial, requires renormalization.

first: perform perturbative computations to get better fe

Perturbative computations:

rewrite action

$$\begin{aligned} S &= Tr \left(\frac{1}{4} (J\phi^2 + \phi^2 J) + \frac{i\lambda}{3!} \phi^3 - A\phi \right) \\ &= Tr \left(\frac{1}{2} \phi_j^i (G_R)_{i;k}^{j;l} \phi_l^k + \frac{i\lambda}{3!} \phi^3 - A\phi + \frac{1}{4} (\delta J \phi^2 + \right. \end{aligned}$$

finite (renormalized) kinetic term $(G_R)_{i;k}^{j;l} = \frac{1}{2} \delta_l^i \delta_j^k (J_i^R + J_j^R$

propagator:

$$\Delta_{j;l}^{i;k} = \langle \phi_j^i \phi_l^k \rangle = \delta_l^i \delta_j^k \frac{2}{J_i^R + J_j^R} = \delta_l^i \delta_j^k \frac{1/(4\pi^2\theta)}{\underline{i} + \underline{j} + (\mu_R^2\theta)}$$

where $\underline{n} = n$ in 2D, $\underline{n} = n_1 + n_2$ in 4D.

$$J^R |n_1, n_2\rangle = 8\pi^2 \theta (\underline{n} + 1 + \frac{\mu_R^2 \theta}{2}) |n_1, n_2\rangle \quad (4)$$

$$J^R |n\rangle = 4\pi (n + \frac{1+\mu_R^2 \theta}{2}) |n\rangle, \quad (2)$$

$\delta J \sim \delta \mu^2 = (\mu^2 - \mu_R^2) \dots$ part of the counter-term

1-point function

one-loop contribution to the 1-point function:

$$\langle \phi_{ii} \rangle = \frac{1}{J_i^R} A_i - \frac{i\lambda}{2} \frac{1}{J_i^R} \sum_k \frac{2}{J_i^R + J_k^R} + O(\lambda^2)$$

... divergent, unless canceled by counterterm A .

2D: $A \sim (i\lambda) \log(N)$

4D: $A_i \sim (i\lambda) N \log(N) \mathbf{1} + (i\lambda) \log(N) J_i.$

\Rightarrow need further counterterm: either $A = a\mathbf{1} + cJ$ or e

$$\phi \rightarrow \phi + c, \quad c \sim i\lambda \log(N).$$

can be absorbed by redefinition of Kontsevich-mode

$$\begin{aligned} M &= \sqrt{\tilde{J}^2 + 2(i\lambda)a - (i\lambda)^2 c^2} \\ \tilde{J} &= J + (i\lambda)c. \end{aligned}$$

2-point function

$\langle \phi_{kl} \phi_{lk} \rangle$ for $l \neq k$: has one-loop planar contribution

gives

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \phi_{kl} \phi_{lk} \rangle &= \frac{2}{J_k^R + J_l^R} - 2(i\lambda) \frac{\langle \phi_{kk} + \phi_{ll} \rangle}{(J_k^R + J_l^R)^2} \\ &+ \frac{4}{(J_k^R + J_l^R)^2} \left(\sum_j \frac{(i\lambda)^2}{J_k^R + J_j^R} \frac{1}{J_l^R + J_j^R} - \frac{\delta J_l + \delta J_k}{2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

implies mass renormalization in 4D

$$\delta\mu^2 \sim \frac{(i\lambda)^2}{256 \pi^6 \theta^4} \log N$$

(no mass renormalization in 2D)

$\langle \phi_{ll} \phi_{kk} \rangle$ for $l \neq k$: vanishes at tree level,
one-loop nonplanar contribution

which gives

$$\langle \phi_{ll} \phi_{kk} \rangle = \langle \phi_{kk} \rangle \langle \phi_{ll} \rangle + \frac{1}{4} \frac{(i\lambda)^2}{J_k^R J_l^R} \left(\frac{2}{J_k^R + J_l^R} \right)$$

is finite.

Goal: nonperturbative proof of renormalizability:

need renormalized Kontsevich model $Z(M)$,

with eigenvalues m_i appropriately rescaled as $N \rightarrow \infty$

The Kontsevich model

defined by

$$\begin{aligned} Z^{Kont}(M) &= e^{F^{Kont}(M)} = \frac{1}{\mathcal{N}} \int dX \exp \left\{ Tr \left(-\frac{MX^2}{2} \right) \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\mathcal{N}} \int d\tilde{\phi} \exp \left\{ Tr \left(\frac{1}{2i\lambda} M^2 \tilde{\phi} - \frac{i}{3!} \tilde{\phi}^3 - \frac{1}{3} M \tilde{\phi} \right) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathcal{N} = \int dX \exp \left\{ -Tr \left(\frac{MX^2}{2} \right) \right\}$.

depends only on eigenvalues m_i of M ... hermitian $N \times N$

introduced by Kontsevich 1991

suitable variables:

$$t_r = -(2r-1)!! \sum_i m_i^{-(2r+1)},$$

Remarkable fact (Kontsevich): $F^{Kont}(M) = F^{Kont}(t_r)$ is generating function of intersection numbers (topological characteristics) of moduli spaces of punctured Riemann surfaces (\Rightarrow rational coefficients)

more precisely: (Kontsevich, Itzykson-Zuber)

consider perturbative expansion

$$Z^{Kont(N)} = \int d\mu_M(X) \exp\left(\frac{i}{6} \text{Tr} X^3\right) = \sum_{k \geq 0} Z_k^{Kont(N)}$$

$$Z_k^{Kont(N)}(M) = \frac{(-1)^k}{(2k)!} \int d\mu_M(X) \left(\frac{\text{Tr} X^3}{6}\right)^{2k}$$

then

- $Z_k^{Kont(N)}(M)$ is polynomial in the t_r of degree $3k$, for $N \geq 3k$,
- $Z_k^{Kont(N)}(t_r)$ is independent of N for $N \geq 3k$,
depends only on t_r , $2r + 1 \leq 3k$.

$\Rightarrow Z^{Kont}(t_r) = \sum_{k \geq 0} Z_k^{Kont}(t_r)$ well-defined for $N \rightarrow \infty$
as asymptotic expansion.

Further facts: (Kontsevich)

- $Z^{Kont}(t_r)$ is a τ -function for the Korteweg-de Vries equation
i.e. $u = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t_0^2} \ln Z^{Kont}$ satisfies

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t_1} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t_0} \left(\frac{1}{12} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t_0^2} + \frac{1}{2} u^2 \right), \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial t_n} u = \frac{\partial}{\partial t_0} \left(\frac{1}{n} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t_0^2} + \frac{1}{2} u^2 \right).$$

- Virasoro constraints: $L_m Z = 0, \quad m \geq -1$
for suitable operators L_m (differential operators in the t -variables)
- genus expansion: (generally for matrix models...)

$$\ln Z^{Kont} = F^{Kont} = \sum_{g \geq 0} F_g^{Kont}$$

by drawing the Feynman diagrams on a Riemann surface

... allows to obtain explicit solution:

genus 0: (Makeenko and Semenov, ...)

$$F_0^{Kont} = \frac{1}{3} \sum_i m_i^3 - \frac{1}{3} \sum_i (m_i^2 - 2u_0)^{3/2} - u_0 \sum_i (m_i^2 - 2u_0)^{1/2} + \frac{u_0^3}{6} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,k} \ln \left\{ \frac{(m_i^2 - 2u_0)^{1/2} + (m_k^2 - 2u_0)^{1/2}}{m_i + m_k} \right\}$$

higher genus: (Itzykson-Zuber)

$$F_1^{Kont} = \frac{1}{24} \ln \frac{1}{1-I_1},$$

$$F_2^{Kont} = \frac{1}{5760} \left[5 \frac{I_4}{(1-I_1)^3} + 29 \frac{I_3 I_2}{(1-I_1)^4} + 28 \frac{I_2^3}{(1-I_1)^5} \right]$$

etc. where

$$I_k = -(2k-1)!! \sum_i \frac{1}{(m_i^2 - 2u_0)^{k+\frac{1}{2}}},$$

$$u_0 = - \sum_i \frac{1}{\sqrt{m_i^2 - 2u_0}} = I_0.$$

generally: all F_g^{Kont} with $g \geq 2$ are given by *finite* sums of

$$I_k / (1 - I_1)^{\frac{2k+1}{3}}.$$

explicitly (just for illustration ...)

(Itzykson-Zuber)

$$\begin{aligned}
F_0^{Kont} &= \frac{t_0^3}{3!} + t_1 \frac{t_0^3}{3!} + \left(t_2 \frac{t_0^4}{4!} + 2 \frac{t_1^2}{2!} \frac{t_0^3}{3!} \right) + \left(t_3 \frac{t_0^5}{5!} + 3 t_1 t_2 \frac{t_0^4}{4!} \right. \\
&+ \left. \left[t_4 \frac{t_0^6}{6!} + \left(6 \frac{t_2^2}{2!} + 4 t_1 t_3 \right) \frac{t_0^5}{5!} + 24 \frac{t_0^3}{3!} \frac{t_1^4}{4!} + 12 t_2 \frac{t_1^2}{2!} \frac{t_0^4}{4!} \right] \right. \\
&+ \dots
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
24 F_1^{Kont} &= t_1 + \left(\frac{t_1^2}{2!} + t_0 t_2 \right) + \left(2 \frac{t_1^3}{3!} + t_3 \frac{t_0^2}{2!} + 2 t_0 t_1 t_2 \right) \\
&+ \left(6 \frac{t_1^4}{4!} + t_4 \frac{t_0^3}{3!} + 4 \frac{t_0^2}{2!} \frac{t_2^2}{2!} + 6 t_0 t_2 \frac{t_1^2}{2!} + 3 t_1 t_3 \frac{t_0^2}{2!} \right) \\
&+ \left(24 \frac{t_1^5}{5!} + t_5 \frac{t_0^4}{4!} + 24 t_0 t_2 \frac{t_1^3}{3!} + (4 t_1 t_4 + 7 t_2 t_3) \frac{t_0^3}{3!} + \dots \right. \\
&+ \dots
\end{aligned}$$

Application to the NC ϕ^3 model

$$\text{set } m_i = \sqrt{\tilde{J}_i^2 + \text{const}} \approx \begin{cases} i, & d = 2 \\ (i_1 + i_2), & d = 4 \end{cases} \quad (\text{degenera})$$

as given by the ϕ^3 model with harmonic oscillator poten

note:

- $t_0, (t_1)$ and $u_0 = -\sum_i \frac{1}{\sqrt{m_i^2 - 2u_0}}$ and correlation func
divergent a priori
- only the combination

$$\sqrt{m_i^2 - 2u_0} = \lambda^{-2/3} \sqrt{\tilde{J}_k^2 + 2b}$$

enters, where $b = (i\lambda)a - \lambda^{4/3} u_0 + \lambda^2 c^2 / 2$ ($a, c \dots$ ba

will show: \tilde{J} and b are finite after renormalization,

for suitable $a = a_N, c = c_N, \mu^2 = \mu_N^2$ (dive

rendering correlation functions well-defined in the limit

Renormalization and finiteness

1-point function at genus 0:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \phi_{kk} \rangle_{g=0} &= 2i\lambda \frac{\partial}{\partial \tilde{J}_k^2} F_0(\tilde{J}^2) - \frac{J_k}{i\lambda} \\ &= \frac{1}{i\lambda} (\sqrt{\tilde{J}_k^2 + 2b} - \tilde{J}_k) + c + \sum_j \frac{(i\lambda)}{\sqrt{\tilde{J}_k^2 + 2b} \sqrt{\tilde{J}_j^2 + 2b}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow c = \begin{cases} 0 & , \quad d = 2 \\ -\frac{i\lambda}{(8\pi^2\theta)^2} \ln(N) + c' & , \quad d = 4 \end{cases}, \quad \text{and } c'$$

b determined by renormalization condition $\langle \phi_{00} \rangle = 0$, solution

in 4D: $\tilde{J} = J + (i\lambda)c$ finite \Rightarrow mass renormalization

$$\mu^2 = \frac{(i\lambda)^2}{256\pi^6\theta^4} \ln(N) + \mu_R^2$$

complete agreement with 1-loop result

counterterm a : (recall $\int a\phi$) determined through implicit

$$\frac{b}{i\lambda} - a + (i\lambda)^2 c^2 / 2 = - \sum_i \frac{(i\lambda)}{\sqrt{\tilde{J}_i^2 + 2b}}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \begin{cases} \frac{(i\lambda)}{4\pi} \ln N + (finite), \\ \frac{(i\lambda)}{8\pi^2\theta} N \ln N - \frac{\lambda^2}{(8\pi^2\theta)^4} \ln(N)^2 + (finite), \end{cases}$$

renormalized 1-point function in 4D:

$$\langle \phi_{kk} \rangle_{g=0} = \frac{1}{i\lambda} (\sqrt{\tilde{J}_k^2 + 2b} - \tilde{J}_k) + c' + (i\lambda) f$$

finite and well-defined as $N \rightarrow \infty$

For certain point in moduli space ($b = c' = 0$):

$$\langle \phi_{kk} \rangle_{g=0} = (i\lambda) \sum_j \frac{1}{\tilde{J}_j} \left(\frac{1}{\tilde{J}_k + \tilde{J}_j} - \frac{1}{\tilde{J}_0 + \tilde{J}_j} \right)$$

coincides with one-loop result

Finiteness of general n -point function for an

1) diagonal case:

$$\langle \phi_{i_1 i_1} \dots \phi_{i_n i_n} \rangle_c \sim \frac{\partial}{\partial m_{i_1 i_1}^2} \dots \frac{\partial}{\partial m_{i_n i_n}^2} F(M)$$

easy to show using explicit form of F_g (polynomial in $\frac{I_k}{(1-I_1)}$)

above renormalization $a = a_N, c = c_N, \mu^2 = \mu_N^2$

guarantees that all derivatives of $F_g(M)$ w.r.t. m_i^2 are

well-defined as $N \rightarrow \infty$, as long as $I_1 = -\lambda^2 \sum_i \frac{1}{(\tilde{J}_i^2 + 2\ell)}$

2) can be extended to general n -point functions

$$\langle \phi_{i_1 j_1} \dots \phi_{i_n j_n} \rangle_c \sim \frac{\partial}{\partial m_{i_1 j_1}^2} \dots \frac{\partial}{\partial m_{i_n j_n}^2} F(M)$$

also well-defined for each genus g , using $F(M^2) = F(U^{-1} di$

(slight complication due to degeneracy in 4D, but no essent

Theorem: *The (connected) genus g contribution to an n -point function $\langle \phi_{i_1 j_1} \dots \phi_{i_n j_n} \rangle_c$ is finite and has a well-defined limit for all g , provided the couplings are renormalized as above.*

all correlation functions can be computed in principle for any N

2D:

$$a = \frac{(i\lambda)}{4\pi} \ln N \quad (+finite)$$

4D:

$$\begin{aligned} c &= -\frac{i\lambda}{(8\pi^2\theta)^2} \ln(N) \quad (+finite) \\ \mu^2 &= \frac{(i\lambda)^2}{256\pi^6\theta^4} \ln(N) \quad (+finite) \\ a &= \frac{(i\lambda)}{8\pi^2\theta} N \ln N + \frac{(i\lambda)}{(8\pi^2\theta)^4} \ln(N)^2 \quad (+finite) \end{aligned}$$

note: model originally defined for imaginary coupling $\int i\lambda\phi^4$

can analytically continue to (sufficiently small) real coupling

all correlation functions real

Singularity (phase transition, instability) for real coupling λ simultaneously for all genera $g \geq 1$:

$$I_1 = -(i\lambda)^2 \sum_i \frac{1}{(\tilde{J}_i^2 + 2b)^{3/2}} = 1$$

2D:

$$\frac{1 + \mu^2 \theta}{\lambda} \approx \pm 0.0646989$$

4D:

$$\mu_R^2 \theta + 2 = \frac{\lambda^2}{2(8\pi^2 \theta)^3}.$$

Example: 2-point function at genus 0 (in 4D)

using identity $\langle \tilde{\phi}_{kl} \tilde{\phi}_{lk} \rangle = \frac{2i\lambda}{m_k^2 - m_l^2} \langle \tilde{\phi}_{kk} - \tilde{\phi}_{ll} \rangle$

find

$$\langle \phi_{kl} \phi_{lk} \rangle_{g=0} = 2 \frac{\sqrt{\tilde{J}_k^2 + 2b} - \sqrt{\tilde{J}_l^2 + 2b} + (i\lambda)^2 (f_R(\underline{k}) - f_R(\underline{l}))}{\tilde{J}_k^2 - \tilde{J}_l^2}$$

coincides (!) with 1-loop for special point ($b = c' = 0$) in mo

$$\stackrel{(b=c'=0)}{=} \frac{2}{\tilde{J}_k + \tilde{J}_l} - (i\lambda)^2 \frac{2}{\tilde{J}_k + \tilde{J}_l} \sum_j \frac{1}{\tilde{J}_j(\tilde{J}_k + \tilde{J}_j)}$$

similarly

$$\langle \phi_{ll} \phi_{kk} \rangle - \langle \phi_{kk} \rangle \langle \phi_{ll} \rangle = (i\lambda)^2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{J}_k^2 + 2b}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{J}_l^2 + 2b}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{J}_k^2 + 2b} + \sqrt{\tilde{J}_l^2 + 2b}} \right)$$

in agreement with perturbative computations (recall $b = b(\lambda)$)

Remarks and outlook:

- nontrivial interacting “solvable” NC 4D field theory
- renormalization determined by genus 0 contribution alone
(cp. general NCFT; IR divergences are suppressed here)
expect to hold generally for (scalar) NCFT with oscillator potential
genus 0 is accessible more generally (matrix model techniques)
- genus 0 contribution coincides exactly with 1-loop for scalar NCFT
moduli space (not for higher genera) (??)
- is \sum_g convergent ?
- generalizations:
 - D=6 ? (no longer super-renormalizable)
 - extend to $\Omega \neq 1$ (i.e. remove the oscillator potential)
certainly doable “perturbatively” ... ?

NCFT are accessible through new analytical (matrix) methods