

## Lecture II

Recall from lecture I,

$$\int d\mu_c(\phi) P = e^{\frac{1}{2} \Delta_c} P|_{\phi=0}$$

$$\Delta_c = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j \in \Lambda} C_{ij} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi_j}$$

$$e^{\Delta_c/2} = \sum_{j \geq 0} \frac{1}{j!} \left( \frac{\Delta_c}{2} \right)^j \quad \text{reminds that } P \text{ is polynomial}$$

$$:P:_{\phi_c} = e^{-\frac{1}{2} \Delta_c} P, \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} :P:_{\phi_c} = : \frac{\partial P}{\partial \phi} :_{\phi_c}$$

### Examples

$$\int d\mu_c :P:_{\phi_c} = P|_{\phi=0}$$

$$\int d\mu_c :P:_{\phi+u} = :P:_{\phi=0}$$

where  $U_{ij}$  is another positive-definite  $\Lambda \times \Lambda$  matrix.

Today will be about the renormalisation group as the theoretical physicists understand it, so there will be lots of series, which are not convergent, but are asymptotic. I am not going to give proofs, but only examples of the use and variety of these series. The above examples of normal ordering play a significant role.

2.1 Feynman expansion Let

$$Z_{det} = \int d\mu_c(\phi) e^{-g P(\phi)}$$

when  $P$  is a polynomial which is bounded below and  $g > 0$ .

$$\stackrel{DCT}{=} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \int d\mu_c(\phi) \frac{(-gP)^j}{j!} + O(g^{n+1})$$

notation for line above (DCT = dominated convergence)

$$\sim \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \int d\mu_c(\phi) \frac{(-gP)^j}{j!}$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{G \text{ on } j \text{ vertices}} I(G) \quad \text{by Wick Theorem}$$

This is a sum over all unlabelled graphs with weight including  $(\frac{1}{2})^{\# \text{ tadpoles}}$   $\frac{1}{|Aut|}$  as before:

Example  $I(\text{two tadpoles}) = (\frac{1}{2})^2 (\frac{1}{2}) \sum_{\text{indices}} C_j \frac{\partial^4 (-gP)}{\partial \phi_i \partial \phi_j \partial \phi_k \partial \phi_l} \Big|_0 C_{km} C_{ln} \frac{\partial^2 (-gP)}{\partial \phi_m \partial \phi_n} \Big|_0$

Theorem  $\ln Z(g) \sim \sum_{G \text{ connected}} I(G)$

[Book: Manfred Salmhofer]

If  $P$  is replaced by  $:\phi^r:_c$  then  $G$  has no tadpoles and at each vertex of degree  $r$

$$\frac{\partial^r P}{\partial \phi \dots \partial \phi} \Big|_{\phi=0}$$

If  $:\phi^r:_c$  then no tadpoles and  $:\frac{\partial^r P}{\partial \phi \dots \partial \phi} :_c \Big|_0$  at each vertex

## 2.2. The Laplace-Feynman Expansion (More general than Feynman exp.)

$$S: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

is  $C^\infty$ , has a unique non-degenerate minimum  $\phi_{\min}$ ,  
 $\lim_{\phi \rightarrow \infty} S(\phi) = +\infty$  and  $\int e^{-S} d^n \phi < \infty$ .

Given  $\phi_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  let

$$A_{ij} = \left. \frac{\partial^2 S}{\partial \phi_i \partial \phi_j} \right|_{\phi_0}$$

$$N(\alpha) = \int e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\phi - \phi_0)^T A (\phi - \phi_0)} d^n \phi$$

Then, with  $\phi_0 = \phi_{\min}$ ,

$$\ln \int e^{-\alpha S} d^n \phi \sim -\alpha S(\phi_{\min}) + \ln N(\alpha)$$

large deviations
CLT

$$+ \underbrace{\sum_{G \text{ connected}} I(G)}_{(*)}$$

where

edge  $\propto C$

vertex  $\left. \frac{\partial (-\alpha S)}{\partial \phi} \right|_{\phi_0}$

no vertices of degree 2

(no vertices of degree one because  $\left. \frac{\partial S}{\partial \phi} \right|_{\phi_0} = 0$ )

## Discussion

Consider (WLOG) the case

$$\phi_0 = \phi_{\min} = 0, \quad S(\phi_0) = 0$$

By Taylor expansion with  $A = \frac{\partial^2 S}{\partial \phi^2} \Big|_{\phi_0}$

$$S(\phi) = 0 + 0 + \frac{1}{2}(\phi, A\phi) + \underbrace{\text{remainder}}_{r(\phi) = O(\phi^3)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int e^{-\alpha S} d\phi &= N(\alpha) \frac{1}{N(\alpha)} \int d\phi e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\phi, \alpha A \phi) - \alpha r(\phi)} \\ &= N(\alpha) \int d\mu_C(\phi) e^{-\alpha r(\alpha^{-1/2} \phi)} \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha r(\alpha^{-1/2} \phi) = \alpha^{-1/2} O(\phi^3)$  so it looks small as  $\alpha \rightarrow \infty$ .

Hence the Feynman expansion explains an important part of the Laplace expansion, but to derive the Laplace expansion properly you also need the idea of restricting the range of the integral to a small neighbourhood of  $\phi_0$  modulo  $e^{-O(\alpha)}$  error. I am not going to explain that because the only role of the Laplace expansion in these lectures is to provide some background.

Reference: Vol 2 Hörmander, also does oscillatory integrals. He does not bring in the connection with graphs but does show existence of asymptotic expansions in  $\alpha^{-1}$ . Once you know they exist, identifying them with the prescriptions given here should be easy, but I do not know a good reference.

2.3 Ex (Stirling Formula)

To show that  $\ln \frac{n!}{n^n e^{-n} (\frac{n}{2\pi})^{-1/2}} \sim \frac{1}{12n}$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$n! = \int_0^\infty t^n e^{-t} dt$$

$$= n^{n+1} \int_0^\infty e^{-n S(t)} dt \quad (\text{by } t \rightarrow nt)$$

$S(t) = t - \ln t$

$S$	$S^{(2)}$	$S^{(3)}$	$S^{(4)}$
1	1	-2	6

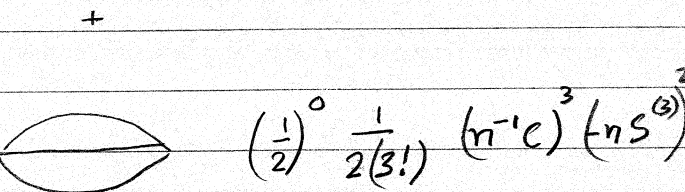
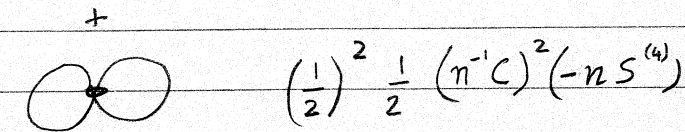
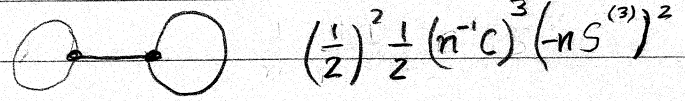
Minimum  $t = 1$

so  $C = 1$

(and  $n$  plays role of  $\alpha$ )

$$\ln \frac{n!}{n^n e^{-n} (\frac{n}{2\pi})^{-1/2}} \sim$$

large deviations      Gaussian  $N(n)$



These are the  $O(1/n)$  diagrams

$$= \frac{1}{12} n^{-1}$$

These are the only graphs whose vertices have degree  $\geq 3$  and which have  $\# \text{ vertices} - \# \text{ edges} = -1 \rightsquigarrow \text{Order}(n^{-1})$   
 Using Euler ( $\text{Faces} - \text{Edges} + \text{Vertices}$ )  $\Rightarrow$  all have 2 cycles. Physicists call this the loop expansion because  $\# \text{ cycles}$  determines order in  $\epsilon^{-1}$

2.4 Example (of Feynman expansion, not Laplace-Feynman)

$$P = \sum_i :(\phi_i + \delta_i)^4:_{U+C} / 4!$$

where  $\phi_i$  are parameters,  $\text{Int} = \int d\mu_C(\phi) e^{-g P}$

$$\begin{aligned} \ln(\text{Int}) = & \bullet \quad -g \sum_i \frac{:\phi_i^4:_{U'}}{4!} \\ & + \quad \text{---} \quad g^2 \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \frac{:\phi_i^2 \phi_j^2:_{U'}}{3!} C_{ij} \frac{:\phi_j^3:_{U'}}{3!} \\ & + \quad \text{---} \quad g^2 \frac{1}{2(2!)} \sum_{ij} \frac{:\phi_i^2 \phi_j^2:_{U'}}{2!} C_{ij}^2 \frac{:\phi_j^2:_{U'}}{2!} \\ & + \quad \text{---} \quad g^2 \frac{1}{2(3!)} \sum_{ij} \phi_i C_{ij}^3 \phi_j \\ & + \quad \text{---} \quad g^2 \frac{1}{2(4!)} \sum_{ij} C_{ij}^4 \\ & + \quad O(g^3) \end{aligned}$$

Homework  $:\frac{\phi_i^p}{p!}: : \frac{\phi_j^p}{p!}: = : (e^{\Delta_{AB}} \underbrace{\phi_i^p}_A \underbrace{\phi_j^p}_B) :$  Use this to rewrite in Wick power,

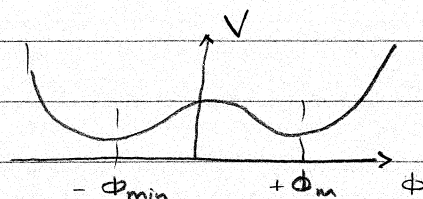
$$\begin{aligned} \ln \text{Int} = & -g \sum \frac{:\phi_i^4:}{4!} + g^2 \frac{1}{2(2!)} \sum_{ij} (U_{ij}^2 - U'_{ij}{}^2) \frac{:\phi_i^2}{2} \frac{:\phi_j^2}{2} \\ & + \frac{g^2}{2(3!)} \sum (U_{ij}^3 - U'_{ij}{}^3) : \phi_i \phi_j : \\ & + \frac{g^2}{2(4!)} \sum (U_{ij}^4 - U'_{ij}{}^4) + O(g^3) \end{aligned}$$

for example,  $U_{ij}^2 - U'_{ij}{}^2 = \underbrace{2 C_{ij} U'_{ij}}_{\text{from } \text{---}} + \underbrace{C_{ij}^2}_{\text{---}}$

2.5 Ken Wilson [Wilson & Kogut]

In our discussion of the Ising Model,

$$S(\phi) = \frac{1}{2} (\nabla\phi, \nabla\phi) + \sum_{x \in \Lambda} V(\phi_x)$$



A Laplace type of expansion with  $\phi_0 = \pm\phi_{\min}$  is based on the intuition that  $\phi \approx \phi_0$ , but when  $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{Z}^d$  is very large, even if you fix  $\phi = \phi_{\min}$  at  $\partial\Lambda$ , fluctuations will make the Laplace expansion very non-uniform in  $\Lambda$ .

(Physicists say "mean field theory does not take fluctuations into account")

Wilson had several crucial ideas; one of them is that it is better to do <sup>small</sup> many  $\Lambda$  Laplace expansions as opposed to one big one. Thus

if  $V = C_1 + C_2 + \dots + C_N$  and  $\Phi \sim \mu$  (\*)  
[Gellivotti, et al.]  
 then

$$\Phi = \underbrace{S_1 + S_2 + \dots + S_N}_{\Phi'} \quad S_i \sim \mu_{C_i} \text{ independent}$$

$$E I^\wedge = E \left( \underbrace{E(I^\wedge | S_1, S_2, \dots, S_N)} \right)$$

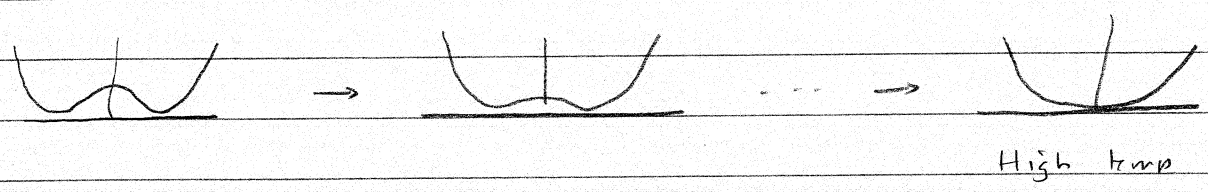
try to write this as  $(I')^\wedge$   
 with  $I' = I'(\Phi')$

In Math Physics notation, find  $I'$  s.t.

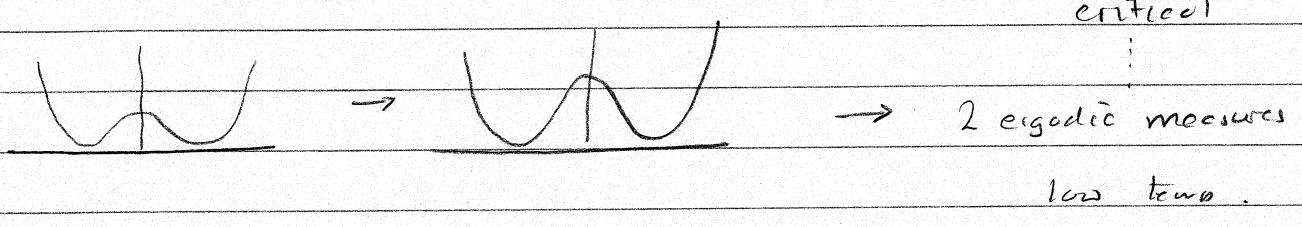
$$\int d\mu_{C_i}(S_i) I^\wedge(\Phi' + S) = (I')^\wedge(\Phi')$$

and then study  $I \mapsto I' \rightarrow I'' \dots$  etc

You might, in the Ising Model example, find, with  $I = e^{-V}$  that  $V$  evolves as



or



Summary want  $I_0, I_1, \dots, I_N$  (subscript is a scale, not a lattice point)

W

$$E(I_j^\wedge | \xi_{j+1}, \xi_{j+2}, \dots) = I_{j+1}^\wedge$$

Backward martingale  
+ factorisation

(It will not be possible to keep  $I_{j,x}$  a function only of  $\Phi'_x$ )

The only case where this program can be implemented <sup>almost</sup> exactly as described is hierarchical models and we should consider these next because they also illustrate the crucial role of scaling in in program, namely Wilson assumes that

$$\Phi'_x \stackrel{D}{=} L^{-[\phi]} \Phi_{L^{-1}x}$$

parameter  $[\phi] > 0$   
called dimension

This is a restriction on the covariance  $\omega$  of  $\Phi$ .



2.6 Hierarchical lattices [Dyson] [Stue Evers]

$\Lambda^\infty$  is a countable Abelian group with

•  $L^{-1}: \Lambda^\infty \rightarrow \Lambda^\infty$  homomorphism

• Ultrametric Norm such that  $|x| = \begin{cases} L^{-|L^{-1}x|} \\ 0 \text{ if } L^{-1}x = 0 \end{cases}$

Ex  $\Lambda^\infty = \{\text{finite binary sequences}\}$

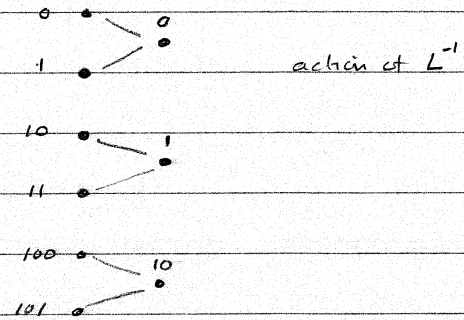
$L^{-1} = 2^{-1} = \text{shift}$

$|x| = 2^{-\text{length}(x)}$

Abelian Gp: add/subtract

"without carrying"

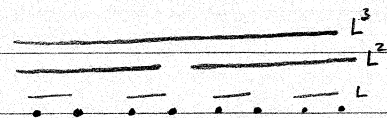
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Ultrametric:  $|x+y| \leq \max(|x|, |y|)$

This means there are no overlapping balls:  $B \cap B' \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow B \subset B'$  or  $B' \subset B$

Balls are generated by repeated action of  $L^{-1}$



In the example there are  $L^j$  points in ball of diameter  $L^j$  so the dimension is one. It is also possible to construct  $d$  dimensional hierarchical lattices for  $d=2,3,\dots$  using  $L^d$ -ary sequences

Defn If  $(\Phi_x : x \in \Lambda^\infty)$ , where  $\Lambda^\infty$  is hierarchical, satisfies

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \Phi_x \stackrel{\text{D}}{=} \xi_x + \Phi'_x \quad \text{independent fields}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \xi_x, \xi_y \quad \text{independent if } |x-y| \geq L$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \Phi'_x \stackrel{\text{D}}{=} L^{-[\Phi]} \Phi_{L^{-1}x}$$

We call it the hierarchical (massless) Gaussian of dimension  $[\Phi]$ .  
[Brydges Evans Imbrie]

If we have  $\textcircled{1}$  and  $\textcircled{2}$  then we can solve

$$E(I^\Lambda | \Phi') = (I')^{L^{-1}\Lambda} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Note} \\ \text{(factorisation on} \\ \text{next scale)} \end{array}$$

for  $I'$  because, by  $\textcircled{2}$

$$E(I^\Lambda | \Phi') = \prod_{B \in L^{-1}\Lambda} E(I^B | \Phi')$$

so

$$I'_B = E(I^B | \Phi')$$

Notation

$$B \in L^{-1}\Lambda$$

is being identified

with pre-image under  $L^{-1}$

which is an  $L$ -ball in  $\Lambda$ .

$\textcircled{3}$  enables us to consider  $I$  and  $I'$  as "in the same space"  
of functions of  $\Phi$  so that <sup>for example</sup> we can ask if the map  
drives  $I$  to a fixed point.

$$\text{if } I_x = e^{-g: \Phi_x^4}$$

$$I^B = e^{-g \sum_{x \in B} \Phi_x^4}$$

$$E(I^B | S_2, \dots, S_N) = \int d\mu_{c_i}(s_i) e^{-P}$$

Parisin

Ex 2.4

so by Ex 2.4

$$I'_B = e^{-g' : \Phi_B^4 :_{V'} - a' : \Phi_B^2 :_{V'} - b' : \Phi_B^6 :_{V'} + O(g^3)}$$

where, since  $\Phi'_x = \Phi'_y \quad \forall x, y \in B$ , we write  $\Phi'_B = \Phi'_x$ , and

$$g' = \sum_{x \in B} \left( g - \beta g^2 + O(g^3) \right)$$

from  $\sum_{x \in B}$ 

and if  $c_{ij} = c_{|i-j|}$ ,  $v_{ij} = v_{|i-j|}$ , then from Ex 2.4,

$$\beta = \frac{1}{2(z-1)} \sum_j (v_{ij}^2 - v'_{ij}{}^2)$$

To compare this with  $I = I_0$  put in  $\Phi'_x = L^{-[\phi]} \Phi_{L^{-1}x}$   
leave the  $x$  index of  $\Phi$

$$I_0 = e^{-g_0 : \Phi^4 :_{\nu}} \quad g_0 = g$$

becomes

$$I_1 = e^{-g_1 : \Phi^4 :_{\nu} - a_1 : \Phi^2 :_{\nu} - b_1 - c_1 : \Phi^6 :_{\nu} + O(g_0^3)}$$

(Yes  $: :_{\nu}$  scales to  $: :_{\nu}$ )

$$g_1 = L^{d-4[\phi]} (g_0 - \beta g_0^2 + O(g_0^3))$$

In models such as 4 dimensional SAW,  $[\phi] = 1$  when  $d = 4$   
(You will see why later), so

$$g_{j+1} = g_j - \beta g_j^2 + O(g_j^3)$$

which implies  $g_j \sim \frac{1}{j}$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ .

To understand  $a_1, c_1$  we should have started with an  $I_0$   
containing in the exponent  $a_0 : \Phi^2 :_{\nu} + c_0 : \Phi^6 :_{\nu}$  as well as  $g_0 : \Phi^4 :_{\nu}$   
then we would find that

$$c_{j+1} = \underline{\underline{L^{d-6[\phi]}}} c_j + O(g_j^2)$$

if  $d-6[\phi] < 0$ ,  $c_j = O(g_j^2)$  for all  $j$  if  $c_0 = 0$

Defn : say that  $\phi^p$  is irrelevant if  $d - p[\phi] < 0$ ,  
relevant if  $d - p[\phi] > 0$ , marginal if  $d = p[\phi]$ .

The coefficients  $g_j, a_j, b_j, c_j$  are called (running)  
coupling constants.

Summary According to perturbation theory all  
 coupling constants in front of irrelevant  $\phi^p$  remain  
 $O(g_j^2)$  for all  $j$  if  $\phi^4$  is marginal. However  
 relevant coupling constants will want to grow exponentially  
 as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ .

In the preceding calculations we completely ignored  
 the fact that  $\phi^6$  will make the integrals over  $\phi$   
 divergent so we cannot really work with  $e^{\phi^6}$  etc. These  
 kinds of problems along with the fact that the  
 Taylor expansions in powers of  $\phi$  are only asymptotic,  
 suggest

$$I = e^{-g:\phi^4: - a:\phi^2:} (1 + c:\phi^6: + r)$$

as a better way to control the hierarchical RG. Next  
 lecture will be about a natural generalisation of this representation  
 which is also good for Euclidean models.