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## Scaling degree and extensions of distributions

We have an action ~~of~~ of  $\mathbb{R}_+$  on test functions  $D(\mathbb{R}^d)$

$$\mathbb{R}_+ \times D(\mathbb{R}^d) \rightarrow D(\mathbb{R}^d)$$

$$(\lambda, \varphi) \rightarrow \varphi^\lambda(x) = \lambda^{-d} \varphi(\lambda^{-1}x)$$

we set for  $t \in D'(\mathbb{R}^d)$   $t_\lambda(\varphi) = t(\varphi^\lambda)$

if  $t \in L'_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^d)$   $t_\lambda(\varphi) = \int t(\lambda x) \varphi(x) dx$

Def:  $t$  has scaling degree  $sd(t) = \omega$  at the origin if  $\omega$  is the inf of  $\omega'$  s.t.

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0^+} \lambda^{\omega'} t_\lambda = 0 \quad \text{as dist.}$$

Ex ① if  $t_\lambda = \lambda^\alpha t$   $sd(t) = -\alpha$

②  $\mu(\varphi) = \varphi(0)$   $sd(\mu) = d$ .

③ Bochner property.  $E_f(x) = (2\pi)^{-d} \int \frac{e^{ip \cdot x}}{p^2 - m^2 + i\varepsilon} dp$

$$sd(E_f) = d - 2$$

Remark: every  $t$  has  $sd(t) \in [-\infty, \infty)$

Lemma Let  $t \in D'(\mathbb{R}^d)$  ,  $sd(t) = \omega$  at 0.

$$sd(\partial^\alpha t) \leq \omega + |\alpha|$$

$$sd(x^\alpha t) \leq \omega - |\alpha|$$

$$sd(ft) \leq sd(t)$$

$$sd(t_1 \otimes t_2) = sd(t_1) + sd(t_2)$$

Thm Let  $t_0 \in D'(\mathbb{R}^d, \{0\})$  has scaling degree  $\omega = sd(t_0) < d$

$\exists ! t \in D'(\mathbb{R}^d)$  with scaling degree  $\omega$  at 0.  
 $t(\varphi) = t_0(\varphi)$  if  $\text{supp } \varphi \not\ni \{0\}$

Proof: unique: the diff of two extensions will be supported at the origin has the form  $P(\partial)\delta$  so degree of  $P$  must be 0.

exists Let  $\Theta$  be a smooth function s.t.  $\Theta = 1$  near the origin  $\Theta_\lambda(x) := \Theta(\lambda x)$

$t^{(n)} = (1 - \Theta_{2^{-n}})t_0$  claim it is a Cauchy seq

let  $p = \omega - d$  (degree of singularity)  
 let  $P_p(\mathbb{R}^d)$  be the space of smooth functions of compact support that vanish to order  $p$  at 0. Let  $W$  be a projection to this subspace.

$$\omega\varphi = \varphi - \sum_{|\alpha| \leq p} m_\alpha \partial^\alpha \varphi(0)$$

$$m_\alpha \in D(\mathbb{R}^d) \text{ st. } \partial^\alpha m_\beta = \delta_\beta^\alpha$$

Then let  $t_0 \in D'(\mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{0\})$   
 have a finite scaling degree  
 $\omega \geq d$  exists extensions  $t \in D'(\mathbb{R}^d)$   
 with the same scaling  
 given  $\omega$  they are uniquely determined by their  
 values on  $m_\alpha$

Proof any  $\varphi \in D(\mathbb{R}^d)$  can be uniquely ~~determined~~  
~~by~~ decomposed  $\varphi = \varphi_1 + \varphi_2$

$$\text{where } \varphi_1 = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq p} m_\alpha \partial^\alpha \varphi(0)$$

$$\varphi_2 \in D_p(\mathbb{R}^d)$$

$$\varphi_2 = \sum_{|\alpha| = [p]+1} x^\alpha \psi_\alpha(x) \quad \psi_\alpha \in D(\mathbb{R}^d)$$

$$\text{Let } \langle t, \varphi \rangle = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq [p]+1} \langle x^\alpha t_0, \psi_\alpha \rangle + \langle t_0, \varphi_1 \rangle$$

Since  $x^\alpha t_0$  has  $sd$ ,  $p - [p] - 1 + d \leq d$  it has  
 a unique extension to  $\mathcal{O}'_1$   
check:  $sd(t) = sd(t_0)$

Thm: Let  $t_0$  be a Lorentz inv. tensor valued  
dist on  $\mathbb{R}^{4n} \setminus \{0\}$ .

$$\text{Set } \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \quad E_p^N t_0 = 0 \quad \text{where } E_p = E + p.$$

Then  $t_0$  has a Lorentz inv. extension  $t$  to  
 $\mathbb{R}^{4n}$  with the same  $\square$  homog.  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N} \quad E_p^N t = 0$ .

Proof,  $Wf = f - w \sum_{|\alpha| \leq p-4n} \frac{y^\alpha \partial_\alpha f(x)}{|\alpha|!}$

from  $E_p^N t_0 = 0$  it follows that  $\text{rd}(t_0) = p$ .  
So we can extend  $t_0$  by  $t(f) = t_0(Wf)$ .  
Need an extension st.  $E_p^N t = 0$  for some  $N$ .

$$W E_p^N t - E_p^N Wf = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq p-4n} \psi^\alpha \partial_\alpha f(0) \quad \text{supp } \{\psi^\alpha\} \neq 0.$$

$$E_p^N t = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq p-4n} c^\alpha \partial^\alpha \delta \quad c^\alpha = (-1)^{|\alpha|} t(\psi^\alpha)$$

$$t' = t - \sum_{|\alpha| \leq p-4n} \frac{c^\alpha}{(p-4n-|\alpha|)!} \partial^\alpha \delta.$$

$$\text{since } E_p \partial^\alpha \delta = (p-4n-|\alpha|) \partial^\alpha \delta$$

$$\text{we get } E_p^N t' = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq p-4n} c^\alpha \partial^\alpha \delta$$

$$\text{so } E_p^N t' = 0 \quad \text{since } E_p \partial^\alpha \delta = 0 \quad \text{for } |\alpha| = p-4n.$$

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~~W~~ Lorentz inv extensions

W

$$u = u_0 \circ W$$

$$u_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n}(f) = \Lambda_{\mu_1}^{\nu_1} \dots \Lambda_{\mu_n}^{\nu_n} u_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_n}(R(\Lambda)f)$$

$$= \sum_{|\alpha| \leq \rho - 4n} b_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n}^\alpha \partial_\alpha \delta(f)$$

for some constants  $b_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n}^\alpha$

apply  $E_\rho^{N+1}$  to both sides (Note that  $E_\rho$  is Lorentz inv)

$$0 = E_\rho^{N+1} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq \rho - 4n} b_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n}^\alpha \partial_\alpha \delta = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq \rho - 4n} (\rho - 4n - |\alpha|)^{N+1} b_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n}^\alpha \partial_\alpha \delta$$

$\Rightarrow b_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n}^\alpha(\Lambda) = 0$  except possibly for  $|\alpha| = \rho - 4n$ .

$b$  is valued in  $(\otimes^\rho \mathbb{R}^4)^* \otimes (\otimes^{\rho-4n} \mathbb{R}^4) \leftarrow D$  is this rep.  
check

$$\Rightarrow b(\Lambda_1 \Lambda_2) = b(\Lambda_1) + D(\Lambda_1) b(\Lambda_2)$$

So  $b$  is a 1-cocycle for the Lorentz group valued in this Rep. Defining element in  $H^1(L, \dots) = 0$ .

$$\text{get that } b(\Lambda) = a - D(\Lambda)a$$

$a$  is a vector in the rep.

$$\text{Set } u'_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} = u_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} - a_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} \partial_{\nu_1} \dots \partial_{\nu_n} \delta$$

check that  $u'$  is Lorentz invariant.

Renormalizability

dimension  $d$   $S = T(\exp \varphi^k)$

$T_n(\varphi^k \dots \varphi^k) = \sum t_i \dots$

~~$T_n = \sum f_I T_i$~~

$T_n = \sum f_I T_i T_{n-i}$

Claim: The dist. in the expansion of  $T_n$  are of the form  $f_I t^I(x_I) t^{I^c}(x_{I^c}) \prod_{\substack{i \in I \\ j \in I^c}} \omega_2(x_i, x_j)^{a_{ij}}$  (\*)

$sd_{\Delta_n} \omega_2 = d-2$  ( $d = \dim M$ )  $\{a_{ij} \in \mathbb{N}\}$

Assume:  $f_p$  have zero  $sd$  at  $\Delta_n$  we get that  $sd$  of  $x$  is bounded by

$sd_{\Delta_I}(t^I) + sd_{\Delta_{I^c}}(t^{I^c}) + \sum_{ij} a_{ij}(d-2)$

by induction we get  $sd_{\Delta_n}(w(T(\otimes \varphi^{t_i}(x_j))) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n t_i \frac{d-2}{2}$

$d=4$   $\varphi^4$   $sd_{\Delta_n} \leq 4n \frac{4-2}{2} = 4n$   
 $\text{codim}(\Delta_n, M^N) = 4n - 4$

difference  $sd_{\Delta_n} - \text{codim}(\Delta_n, M^N) = 4$  for any  $n$ .

So  $\varphi^4$  on  $d=4$  is renormalizable.  
 $sd_N t < \text{codim}_N M \Rightarrow \exists!$  extensions.

$sd_N t > \text{codim}_N M \Rightarrow \exists$  extensions.

$d=4$   $\varphi^N$   $sd = nN$

$\text{codim} = 4n - 4$

$\text{diff} = 4n - (n-4)N$

$d=6$   $sd = 2nN$   
 $\text{codim} = 6n - 6$

$n > 3$  non renorm.

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Finish the construction:

We want to define  $T_n$ . ~~By~~ By expansion axiom, need to define some scalar-valued dist  $t_n$ . By factorization we know  $t_n$  (defined on  $M^n \setminus \Delta_n$ )

Scaling expansion (follows from continuity & microlocal cond)

$$t_n = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{1}{k!} T_k^0 + r_m^0$$

$$T_k^0(x, y) = \sum C(x) \otimes_u u^0(y)$$

where  $u^0$  are Lorentz inv. dist on  $\mathbb{R}^{4n} \setminus \{0\}$

By extending the  $u^0$ 's to all of  $\mathbb{R}^{4n}$  in a Lorentz inv way and preserving the scaling degree we can extend  $T_k^0$ .

by choosing  $m$  big enough s.t.  $(r_m^0) \in \Delta_{4n-1}$  so it has a unique extension  $r_m^{\text{new}}$  so we can define  $t = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} T_k + r_m$

Claim: These extension satisfy all the axioms. So Time ordered products exist!  $\square$

Renormalization ambiguities:

Lemma: Suppose we have  $T_1$  and  $\tilde{T}_1$  two prescriptions for normal ordering  $T_1(\varphi^k) = \varphi^k$ ,  $\tilde{T}_1(\varphi^k) = \tilde{\varphi}^k$

$$\tilde{\varphi}^k(x) = \varphi^k(x) + \sum_{i=0}^{k-2} \binom{k}{i} C_{ki}(x) \varphi^i(x)$$

$C_k(x) = C_k(g_{ab}(x), R_{abcd}(x), \dots, \nabla_{e_1} \dots \nabla_{e_k} R_{abcd})$   $m^2, \hbar$ )  
 physical with real coeffs analytic in  $\hbar$ .

$$C_k \rightarrow \lambda^k C_k \text{ when } g_{ab} \rightarrow \lambda^{-2} g_{ab}, \quad \left( \begin{matrix} m^2 \rightarrow \lambda^2 m^2 \\ \lambda \rightarrow \lambda \end{matrix} \right)$$

Proof: induction  $\tilde{\varphi}^1 = \varphi^1$  by one of the axioms.

Suppose we defined the  $C_i$  for  $i \leq k$ .

$$\text{look at } \phi_k = \tilde{\varphi}^k - \varphi^k - \sum_{i=0}^{k-2} \binom{k}{i} C_{k-i} \varphi^i(x)$$

Claim:  $[\phi_k(x), \varphi(y)] = 0$  follows from induction and expansion axiom.

$$[\varphi^k(x), \varphi(y)] = k \varphi^{k-1} C(x, y)$$

hence  $\phi_k(x)$  is a scalar dist of the form  $C_k(x)$ . Using the other axioms, we get that  $C_k(x)$  has the desired form.

$\tilde{\varphi}^2 = \varphi^2 + \mathbb{Z}m^2$  will also work.

Recall:  $S(L) = T(\exp i\lambda L)$   $S(L) \in W(M, g)[[\lambda]]$

Thm: let  $T$  and  $\tilde{T}$  be two prescriptions for time ordering. Then  $S(\phi) = S(\phi + \delta(\phi))$

$$\text{where } \delta(\phi) = \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{\lambda^{n-1}}{n!} O_n(\phi^{\otimes n})$$

where  $O_n : \otimes^n \mathcal{A}(M, V) \rightarrow D(M, V)$

$$\text{with supp in } \Delta_n \quad O_n(\otimes_{i=1}^n \phi_i) = \sum F_j \psi_j$$

$\psi_j$  is a basis for  $V$

$$F_j(x) = \sum C_j(x) \prod \nabla_{(a_i)} \phi_i(x)$$

These  $O_n$ 's satisfy extra requirements. (---)

Ex: find the scaling dimension requirement on  $O_n$ , and deduce again which the orders are renormalizable where



Def: we call  $L$  renormalizable  $L = \sum f_i \phi_i$   
 if  $\tilde{S}(L) = S(\tilde{L})$  where  $\tilde{L} = \sum \tilde{f}_i \phi_i$ .

5/12/08  $L = \varphi^4$   $L \in \mathcal{M}$   
 QFT  $fL$ ,  $f$  a cutoff

we want to take the limit  $f \rightarrow 1$ .

Adiabatic limit.  $\Rightarrow$  infrared divergences.

Recall  $S(\phi) = T(\exp(i\lambda\phi))$

$$= 1 + \sum \frac{(i\lambda)^n}{n!} T_n(\phi^{\otimes n})$$

claim  $S(A+B+C) = S(A+B)S(B)^{-1}S(B+C)$

if  $\text{supp}(A)$  is later than  $\text{supp}(C)$ .

relative S-matrix

$$S_{gL}(A) = S(gL)^{-1} S(gL+A) \quad \text{due to Bogolubov-Shirkov}$$

Claim: if  $\text{supp}(A)$  and  $\text{supp}(B)$  are space like sep  
 then  $S_{gL}(A+B) = S_{gL}(A)S_{gL}(B) = S_{gL}(B)S_{gL}(A)$

$S_{gL}(A)$  are the local observables.

Prop: Let GCM be a causally closed manifold  
 and  $g, g'$  test functions that coincide on  
 a neighborhood of  $G$ .  $\exists$  a unitary  $V$  st. for all  $A$   
 $V S_{gL}(A) V^{-1} = S_{g'L}(A)$  ( $\text{supp} A \subset G$ )

Proof  $g' - g = a + b$  where  $\text{supp}(a)$  doesn't intersect the past of  $\partial_0$  and  $\text{supp}(b)$  doesn't intersect the future of  $\partial_0$ .

$\text{supp}(aL)$  is later than  $\text{supp}(A)$

$$S(g'L + A) = S(g'L) S((g+b)L)^{-1} S((g+b)L + A)$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{g'L}(A) = S_{(g+b)L}(A)$$

Also  $\text{supp}(bL)$  is later than  $\text{supp}(bL)$

$$\text{so } S((g+b)L + A) = S(gL + A) S(gL)^{-1} S((g+b)L)$$

So we can choose  $V$  to be  $V = S_{gL}(bL)^{-1}$

if we want to define the alg of observables  $\text{supp}$  on  $G$  we can take

$$\lim_{\text{supp } A \subset G} \{ \text{alg gen by } S_{gL}(A) \}$$

gas before

Lemma: Let  $(M, g)$  be a glob hyp spacetime

$\exists$  seq of compact sets  $\{K_n\}$

s.t. ①  $K_n \subset V_{n+1}$   $V_{n+1} = \text{int}(K_{n+1})$

②  $\cup K_n = M$

③  $V_n$  is a glob hyp and  $\Sigma \cap V_n$  is Cauchy surf for  $V_n$  where  $\Sigma$  is Cauchy surf for  $M$ .

Let  $\{K_n\}$  be as in the lemma.  
and  $\{\Theta_n\}$  test functions s.t.  $\text{Supp } \Theta_n \subset K_n$

and  $\Theta_n = 1$  near  $K_n$ .

Let  $U_n = U(\Theta_n, \Theta_{n-1})$  be the unitary

op defined in the prop.

Let  $U_n = U_1 U_2 \dots U_n$

Define  $S_L(\phi) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U_n S_{\Theta_n}(\phi) U_n^{-1}$

Define The interacting time ordered product as

$$S_L(\otimes f_i \phi_i) = 1 + \sum \frac{(i\lambda)^n}{n!} T_L(\otimes f_i \phi_i)^{\otimes n}$$

$$T_L(\otimes f_i \phi_i) := \frac{\partial^n}{i^n \partial \alpha_1 \dots \partial \alpha_n} S_L(\sum \alpha_i f_i \phi_i) \Big|_{\alpha_i = 0}$$

Def  $B_L(M, g) := \{ \text{alg gen by } T_L(\otimes f_i \phi_i) \}$

$T_L(\phi^n)$  interacting wick monomials.

Claim: if  $\{K_n\}$  and  $\{K'_n\}$  are two choices of compact sets as above we can construct

$$g: B_2(M, g) \xrightarrow{\sim} B_L(M, g)$$

Claim:  $(\mathcal{A}_g) \rightarrow B_2(M, g)$  is a QFT, and  $T_L(\dots)$  are quantum fields.