## On propagators and vertices of Yang-Mills theory from their equations of motion



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- From first principles (top-down): Piecing together the elementary pieces


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comparison to other methods, self-tests?


## Dyson-Schwinger equations



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quark propagator + 3-point functions: [Williams, Fischer, Heupel '15] $\rightarrow$ application to bound states

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## 3PI system of equations

Three-loop expansion of PI effective action [Berges '04]:


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Observables of Yang-Mills theory, e.g., glueballs to fix the scale. $\rightarrow$ Impractical. More convenient: Take scale from lattice calculations of the gluon propagator. Scale via string tension of $\sigma=(440 \mathrm{MeV})^{2}$.

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Can we do with only that?

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$\rightarrow$ Puts constraints on UV behavior of vertices if one wants a self-consistent solution [von Smekal, Hauck, Alkofer '97].

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$\rightarrow$ Contributions also from renormalization constants in front of one-loop diagrams.

$\Rightarrow$ All two-loop contributions in the gluon propagator are included.
And higher contributions...

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[propagator+ghost-gluon eqs. full, 3-gluon vertex model, bare 4-gluon vertex]
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- Four-point functions
- Coupling the equations


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- Small influence on ghost-gluon vertex ( $<1.7 \%$ )
- Negligible influence on three- and four-gluon vertices.


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- Two-loop truncation: All diagrams except the one with a five-point function.
- One-momentum configuration approximation.


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- Difference between two-loop DSE and 3 PI smaller than lattice error.
- Zero crossing in agreement with other approaches, e.g., [Pelaez et al. '13; Aguilar et al. '13; Cyrol et al. '15; Athenodorou et al. '16; Duarte et al. '16; Sternbeck et al. '17]



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& \text { with } \\
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## Results for the two-ghost-two-gluon vertex

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- Dimensionless dressing functions $\bar{D}_{k}$.
- Each plot one Lorentz tensor.


$\rightarrow$ Two classes of dressings: 13 very small, 12 not small
$\rightarrow$ No nonzero solution for $\left\{\sigma_{6}, \sigma_{7}, \sigma_{8}\right\}$ found.


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3PI system of primitively divergent correlation functions


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## Open checks

- Effects of larger tensor bases, in particular of the three-gluon vertex
- Renormalization

What tests can be done?

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Due to the anomalous running, this behaves as (at one-loop resummed level)

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Note: Appears already perturbatively!
Many ways to deal with them, e.g., Brown-Pennington projector, modifications of integrands/vertices, fitting, seagull identities, ....

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Extreme example: One-loop truncation with bare vertices in three dimensions [MQH '16].


Better example: Full system with one-momentum configuration approximation.


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$\rightarrow$ Two solutions on top of each other. $D(0)$ is not a parameter of the system.

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