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GR:

- $g_{\mu\nu}$ is a field

QM:

- which must be consistent with QM



- Effective (quantum) field theory
- ...from 29 Gpc to 10^{19} GeV ($\times 10^{60}$)

Even classical GR

Even classical GR: back-reaction

Universe is **not** homogeneous!

$$\frac{\delta\rho_{\text{Earth}}}{\langle\rho\rangle} \sim 10^{31}$$

$$\langle T_{\mu\nu} \rangle = T_{\mu\nu}^{(0)} \qquad \langle g_{\mu\nu} \rangle = g_{\mu\nu}^{(0)}$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu}^{(0)} + h_{\mu\nu} \quad \text{with} \quad \langle h_{\mu\nu} \rangle = 0$$

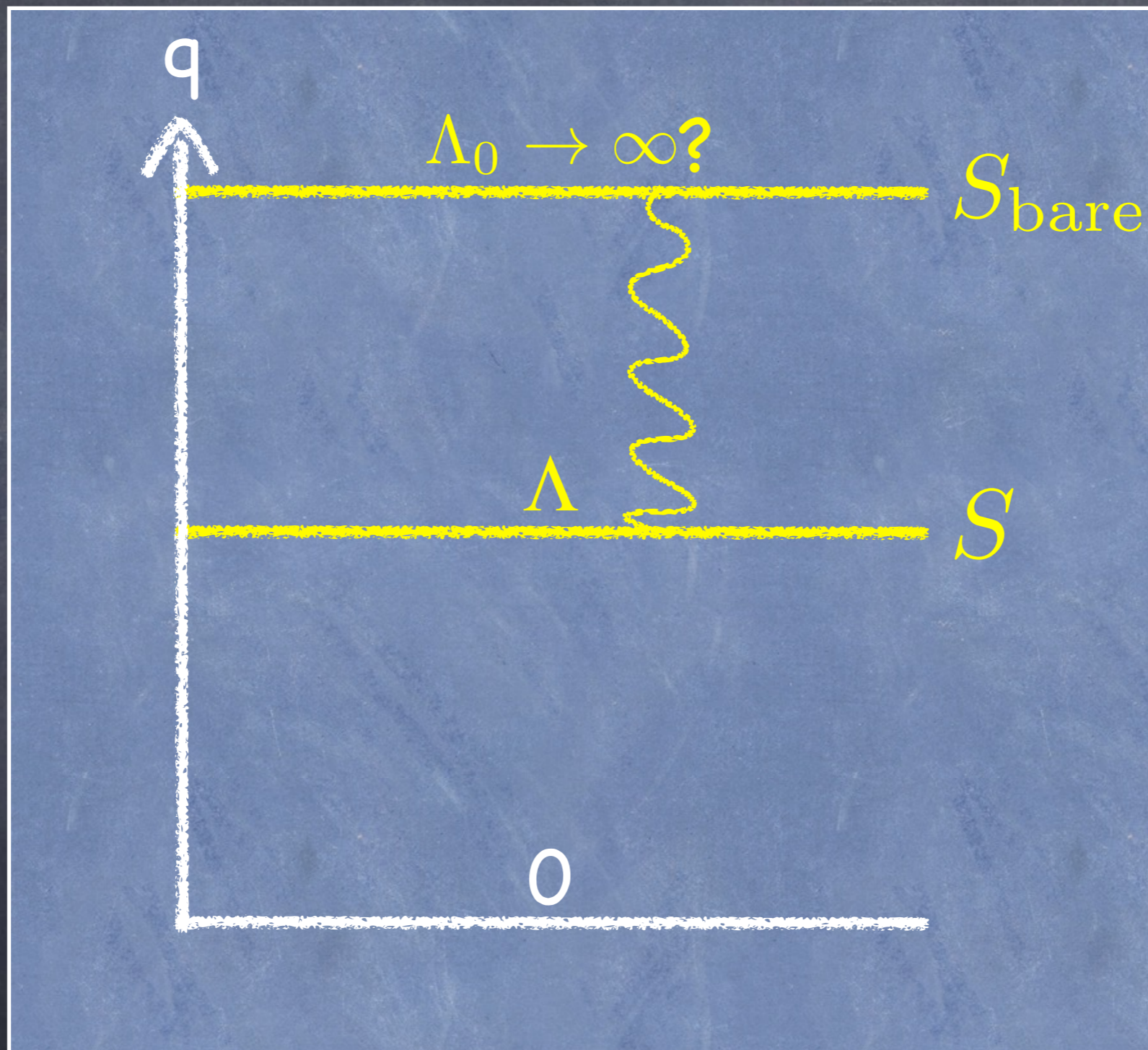
$$R_{\mu\nu}^{(0)} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu}^{(0)}R^{(0)} = \kappa T_{\mu\nu}^{(0)} + \kappa t_{\mu\nu}^{(0)}$$

$$\kappa := 8\pi G$$

Could this give an effective cosmological const?
& answer "why now?"

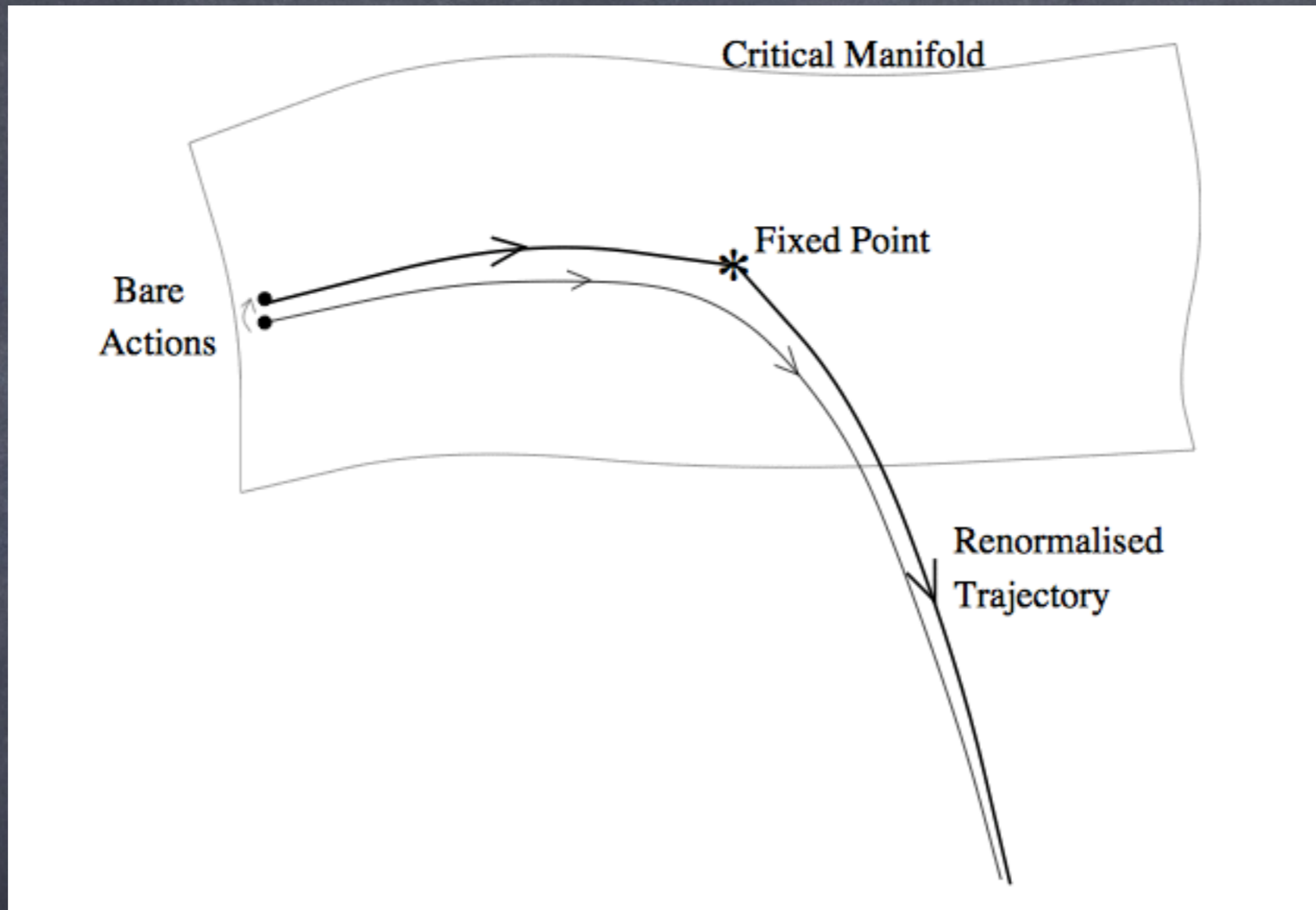
S. Räsänen, D.J. Schwarz, C. Clarkson, G. Ellis, T. Clifton, T. Buchert, S.R. Green & R.M. Wald;
TRM & A.W.H. Preston; N.J. Evans, TRM & M Scott; A.W. Preston; ...

Wilsonian RG



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Wilsonian RG

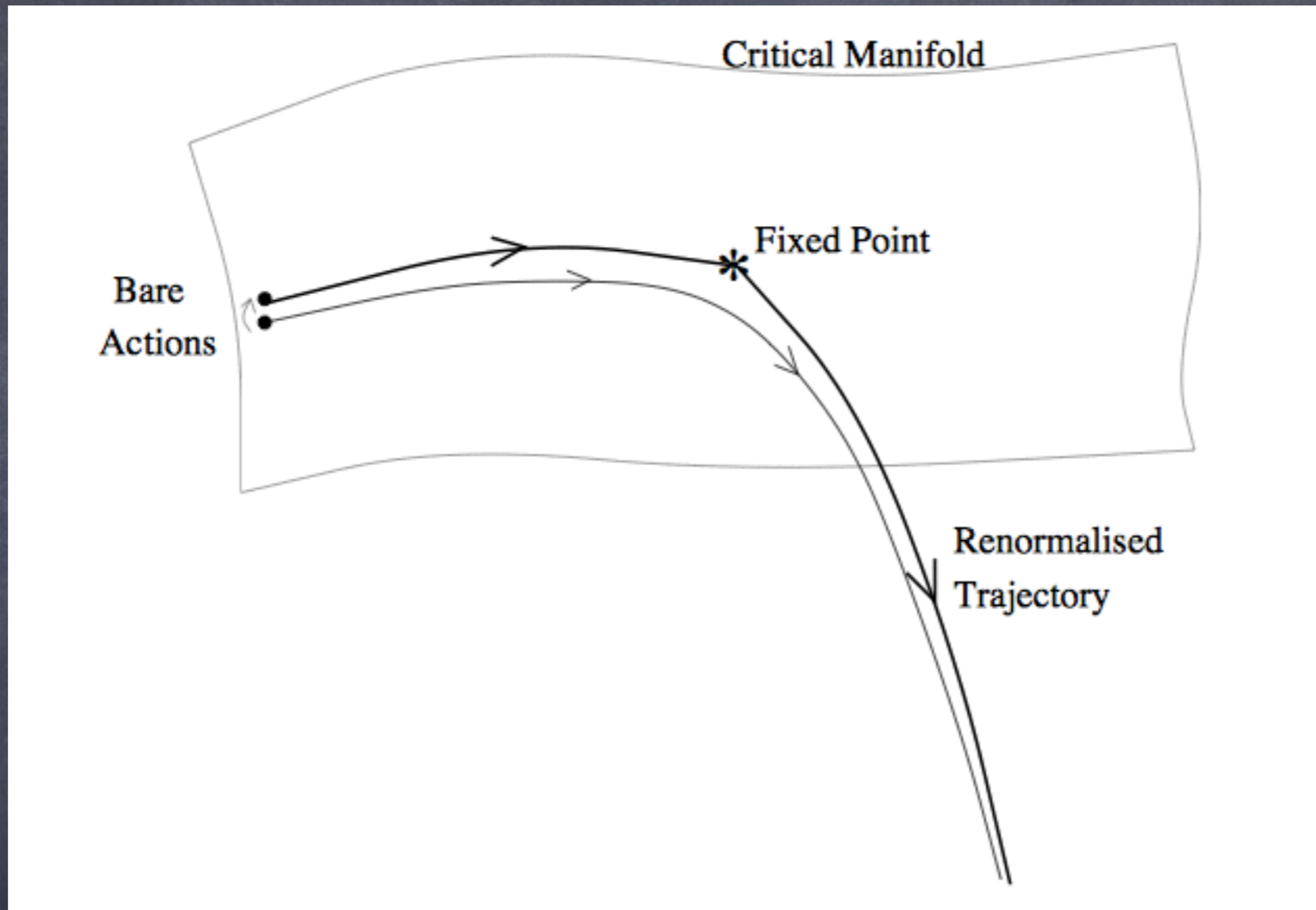


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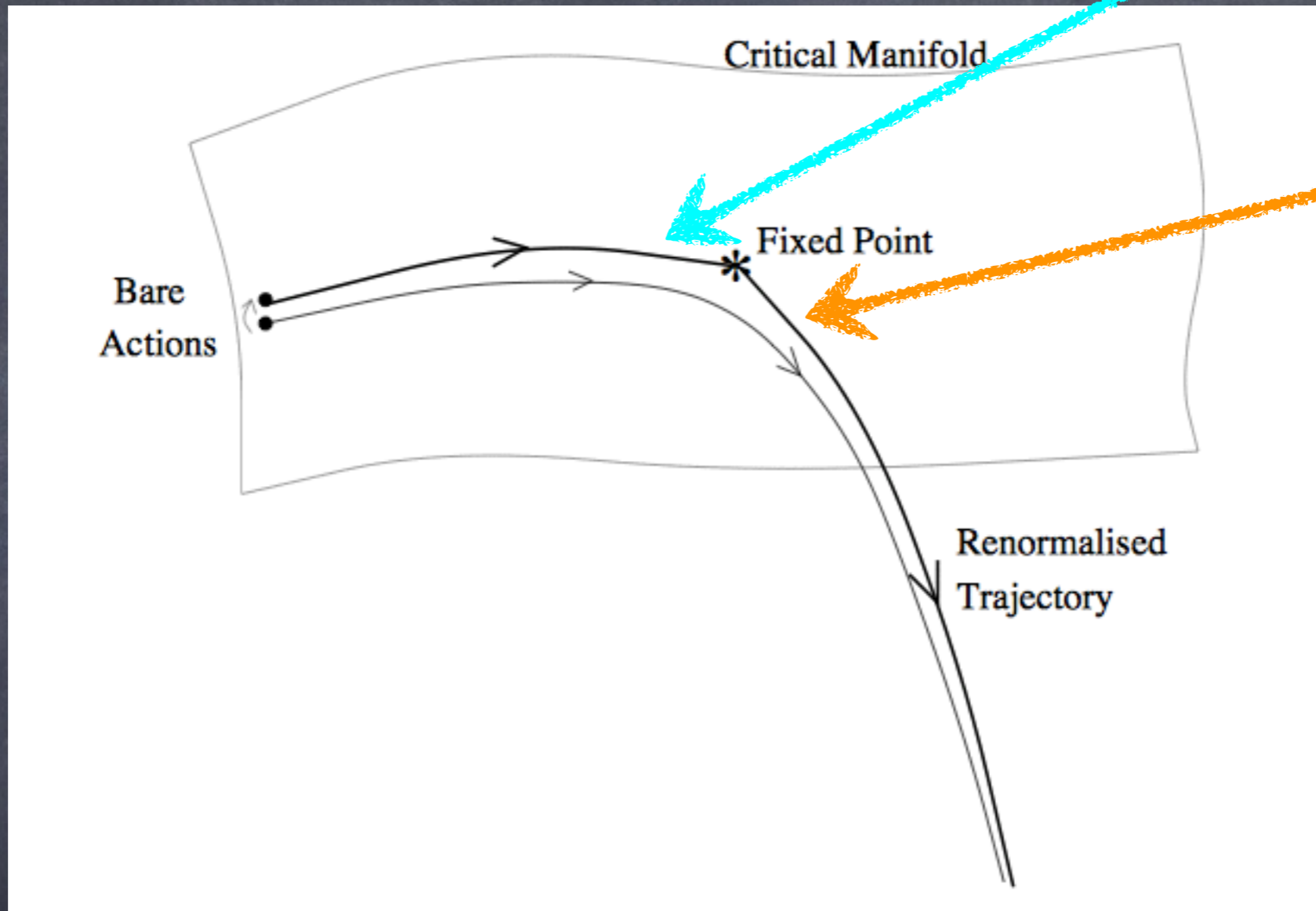
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Wilsonian RG

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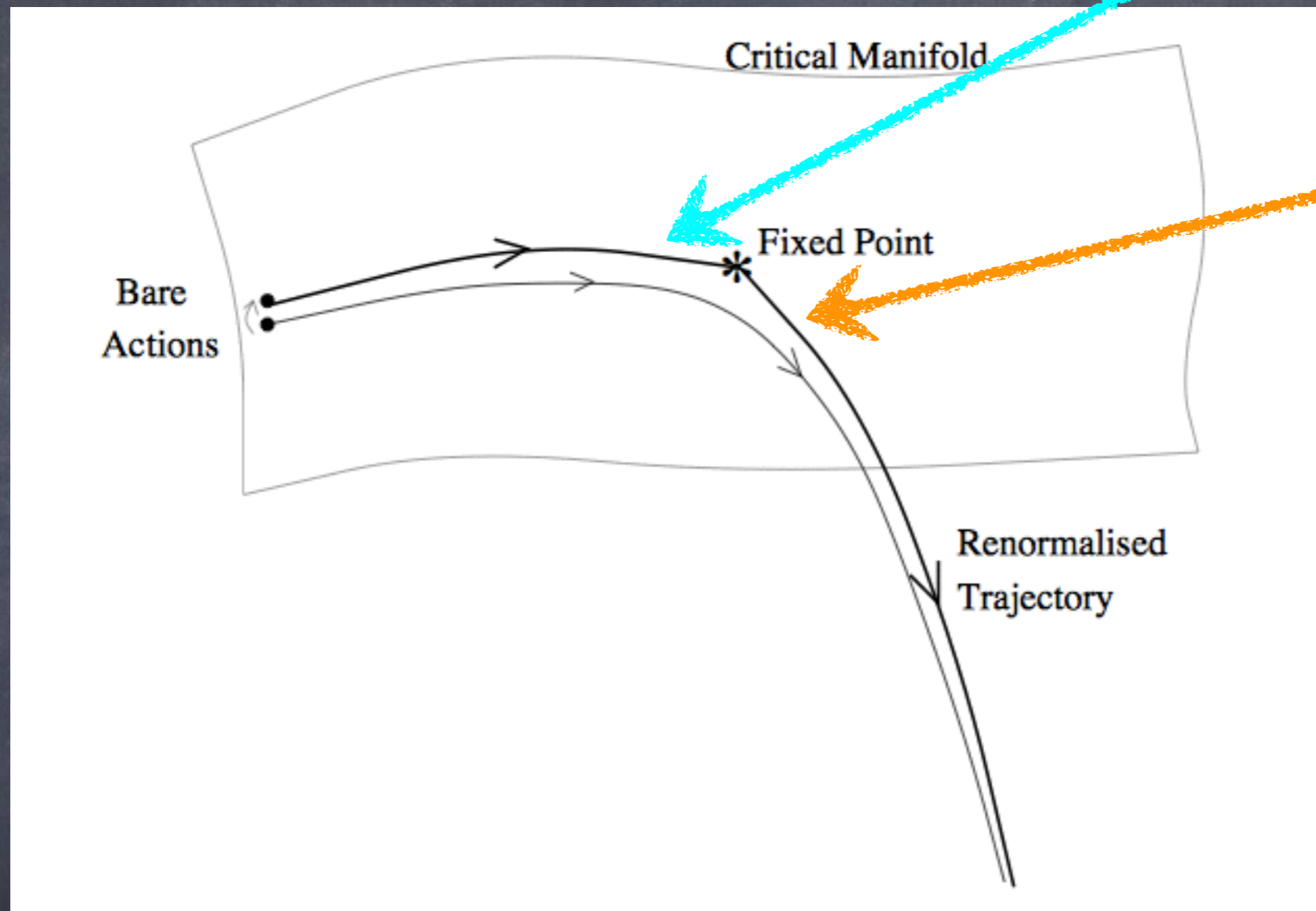


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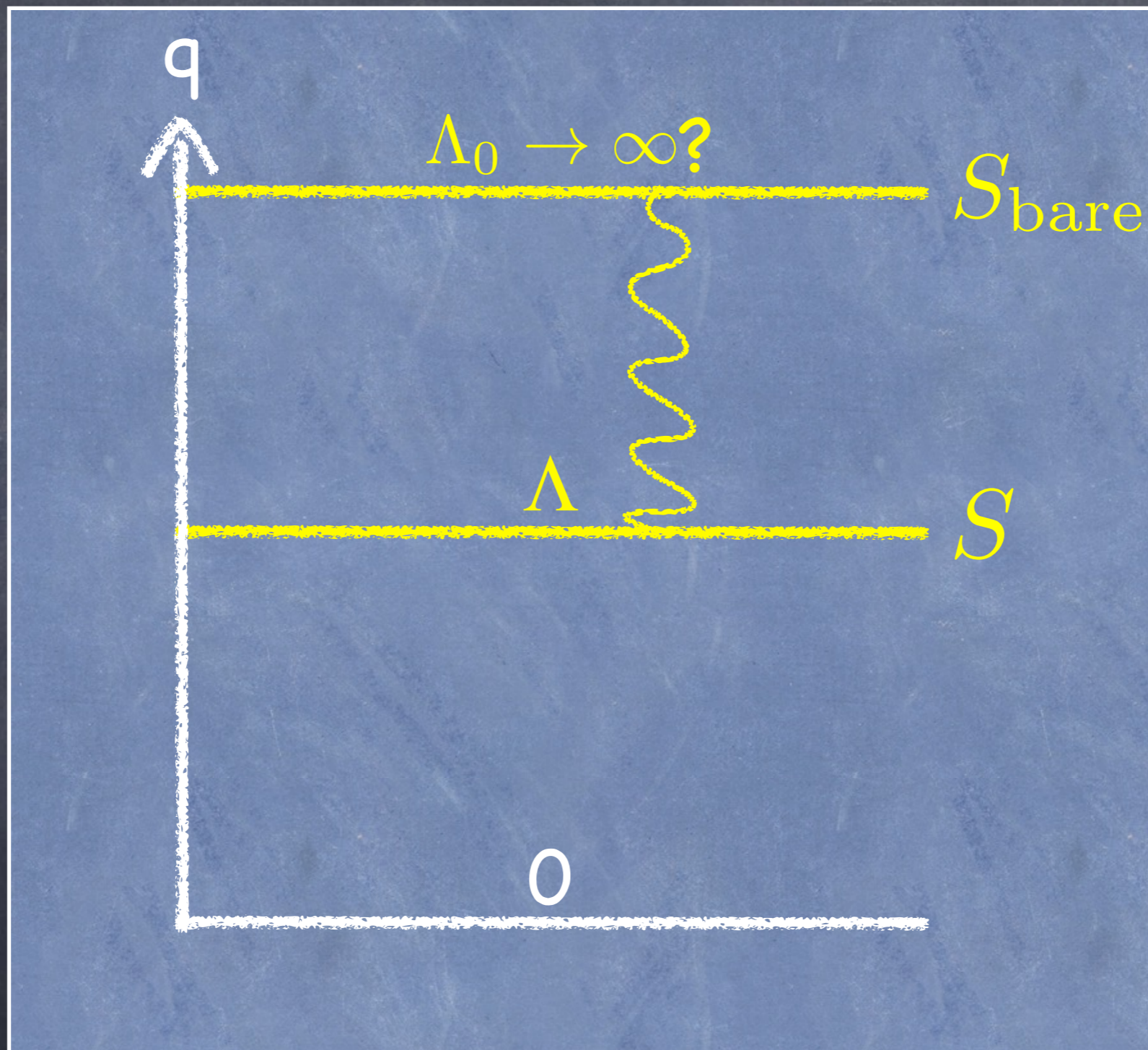


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Asymptotic safety: does a non-perturbative FP exist?

Wilsonian RG?



$$\mathcal{Z} = \int \mathcal{D}g_{\mu\nu} e^{-S[g]} = \int \mathcal{D}g_{0\mu\nu} e^{-S_{\text{bare}}[g_0]}$$

- What does q mean? Modes for what metric?
- Gauge fixing requires background $\bar{g}_{\mu\nu}$
- Two metric theory except on shell?
- Diffeomorphism invariance only on shell?
- What does on shell mean for Wilsonian RG?

Manifestly
diffeomorphism invariant
classical exact RG

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- Scalar field theory
- (non-Abelian) gauge theory
- Gravity

Kadanoff blocking

J.I. Latorre & TRM, Exact scheme independence, JHEP 11 (2000) 004;
S. Arnone, TRM & O.J. Rosten, Fields Inst. Commun. 50 (2007) 1

$$e^{-S[\varphi]} = \int \mathcal{D}\varphi_0 \delta[\varphi - b[\varphi_0]] e^{-S_{\text{bare}}[\varphi_0]}.$$

The blocking functional is, in turn, a scalar field with a position argument. A simple linear example of a blocking functional in a D -dimensional field theory is

$$b[\varphi_0](x) = \int_y B(x-y)\varphi_0(y), \quad (2.2)$$

where $B(z)$ is a kernel that provides a smooth infrared cutoff such that $B(z)$ decays rapidly towards zero once $|z|\Lambda > 1$. This allows us to integrate out the higher momentum modes while keeping our effective action as an expansion in local operators.

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$$\Lambda \frac{\partial}{\partial \Lambda} e^{-S[\varphi]} = - \int_x \frac{\delta}{\delta \varphi(x)} \int \mathcal{D}\varphi_0 \delta[\varphi - b[\varphi_0]] \Lambda \frac{\partial b[\varphi_0](x)}{\partial \Lambda} e^{-S_{\text{bare}}[\varphi_0]}$$

$$= \int_x \frac{\delta}{\delta \varphi(x)} \left(\Psi(x) e^{-S[\varphi]} \right)$$

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General exact RG flow eqn

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Wilson/Polchinski flow eqn

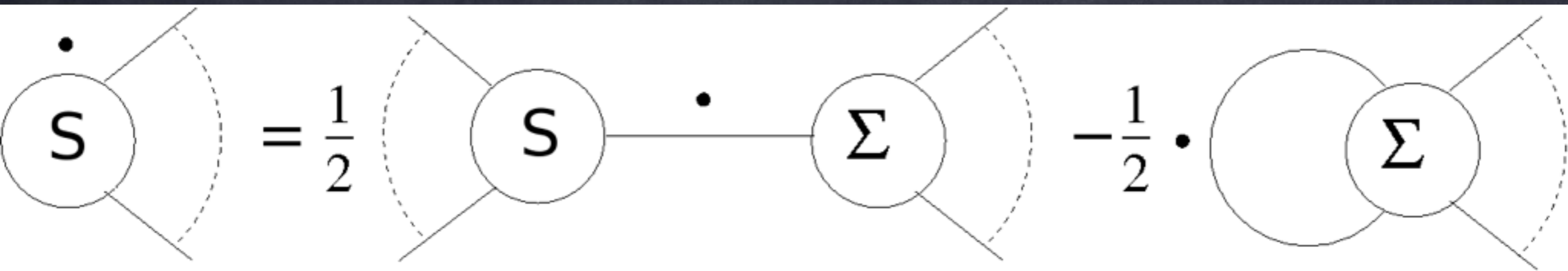
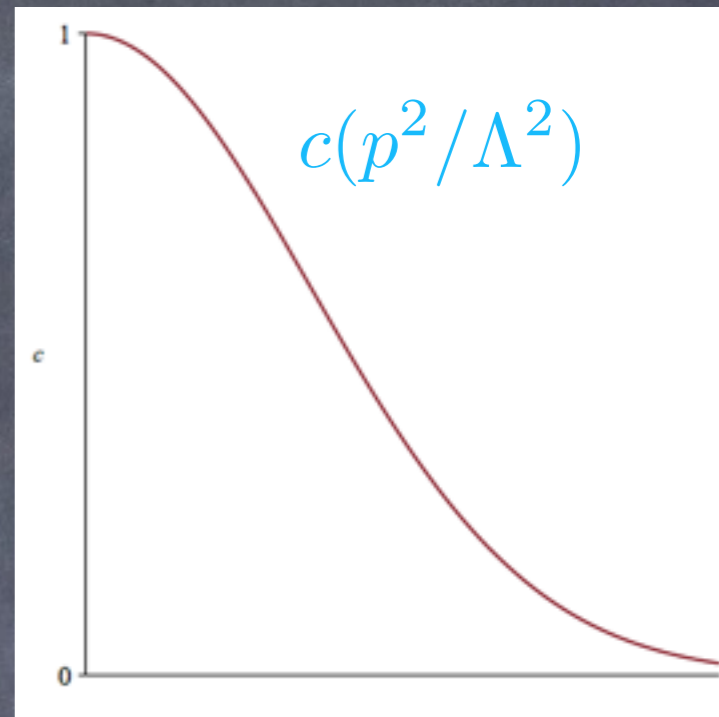
K.G. Wilson & J. Kogut, Phys. Rep. **12C** (1974) 75;

J Polchinski, Nucl. Phys. B231 (1984) 269

$$\Psi(x) = \frac{1}{2} \int_y \dot{\Delta}(x, y) \frac{\delta \Sigma}{\delta \varphi(y)} \quad \Delta = c(p^2 / \Lambda^2) / p^2$$

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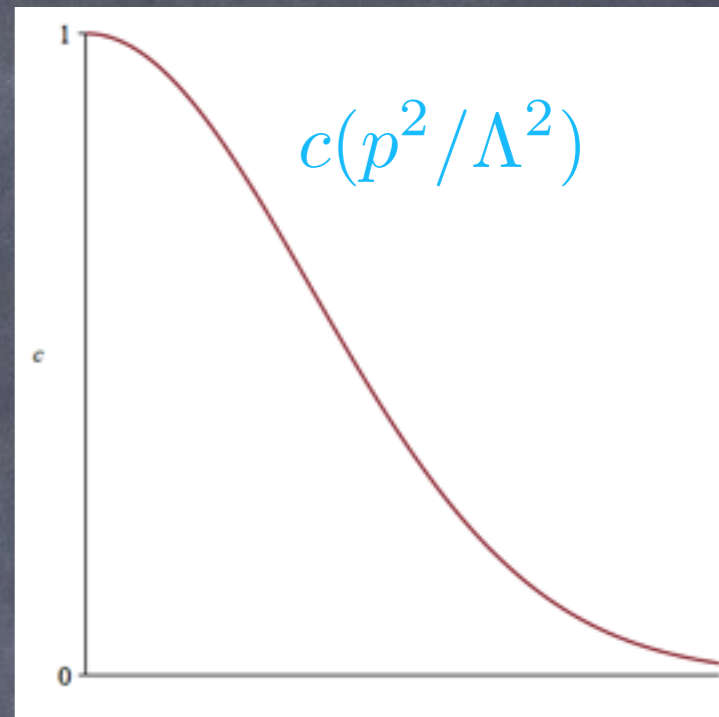
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Generalised scalar flow eqn

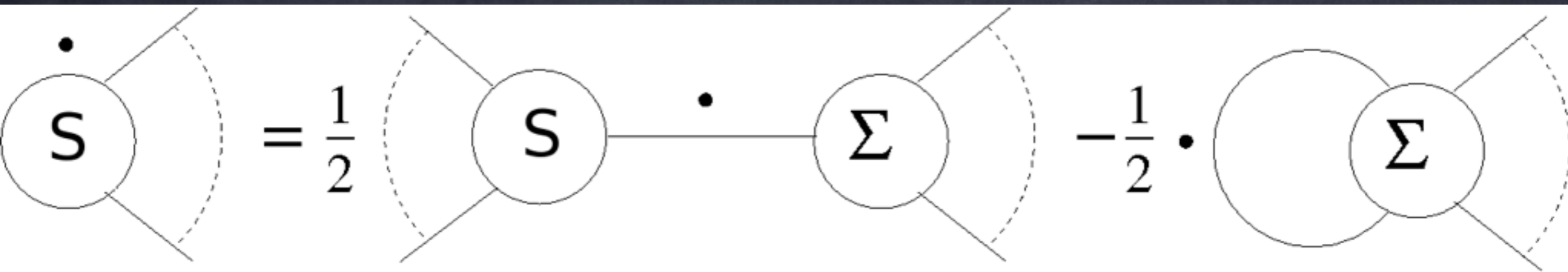
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Requiring at classical level, $S^{\varphi\varphi} = \hat{S}^{\varphi\varphi} = p^2/c$

$$\dot{S}^{\varphi\varphi} = -S^{\varphi\varphi} \dot{\Delta} S^{\varphi\varphi}$$

agrees with

$$\Delta = (S^{\varphi\varphi})^{-1}$$

Use this later to determine kernel

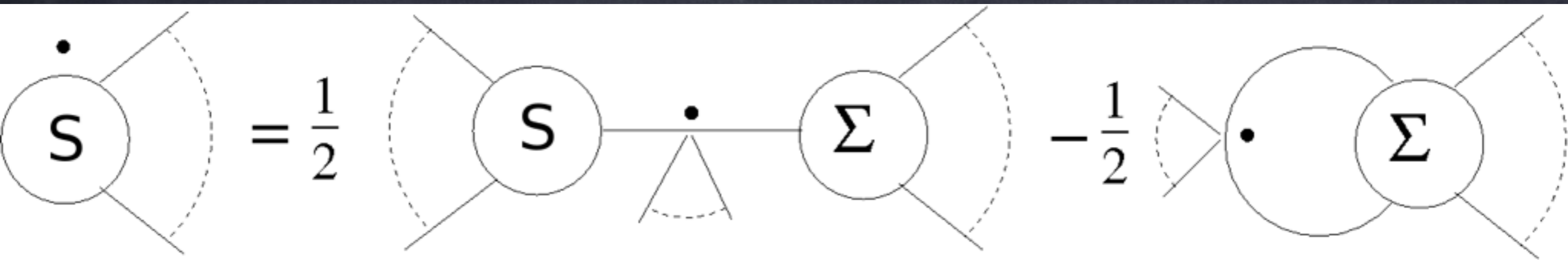
non-Abelian gauge theory

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Some covariantization e.g. $\dot{\Delta}(-\partial^2) \mapsto \dot{\Delta}(-D^2)$

- Gauge invariant flow equation
- Can solve the equation without fixing the gauge!
- SU(N) YM, QCD, QED, one loop & two-loop β functions

TRM + S. Arnone, Yu. A. Kubyshev, J.F. Tighe, A. Gatti, O. J. Rosten: 29 papers from 1995 - 2011



non-Abelian gauge theory

$$D_\mu := \partial_\mu - iA_\mu \qquad \delta A_\mu = [D_\mu, \omega(x)]$$

$$A_\mu^R = Z^{-1/2} A_\mu \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \delta A_\mu^R = Z^{-1/2} \partial_\mu \omega - i[A_\mu^R, \omega]$$

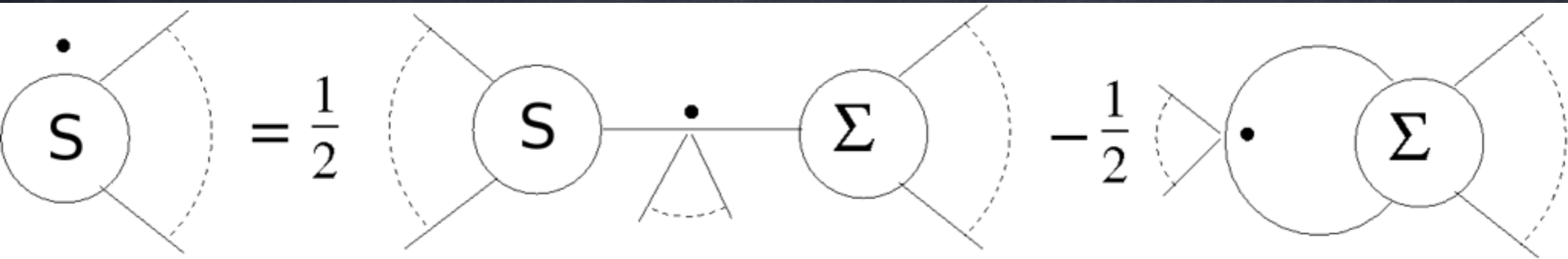
No wavefunction renormalisation.

Only g renormalises

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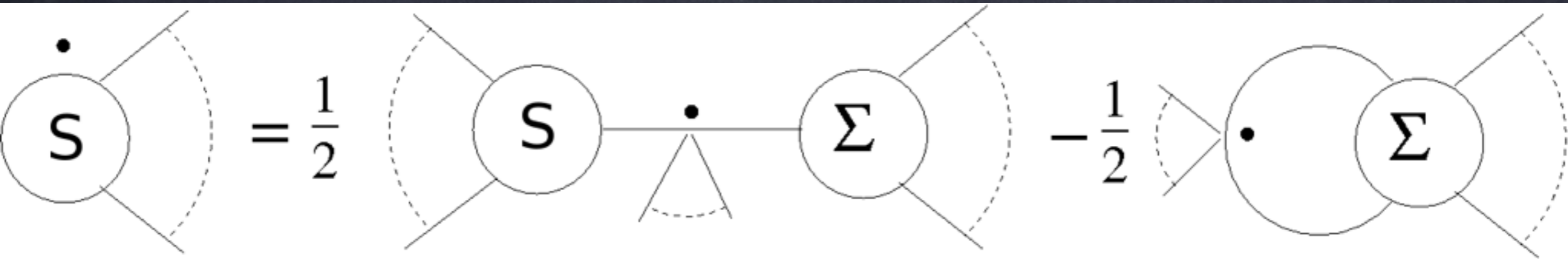


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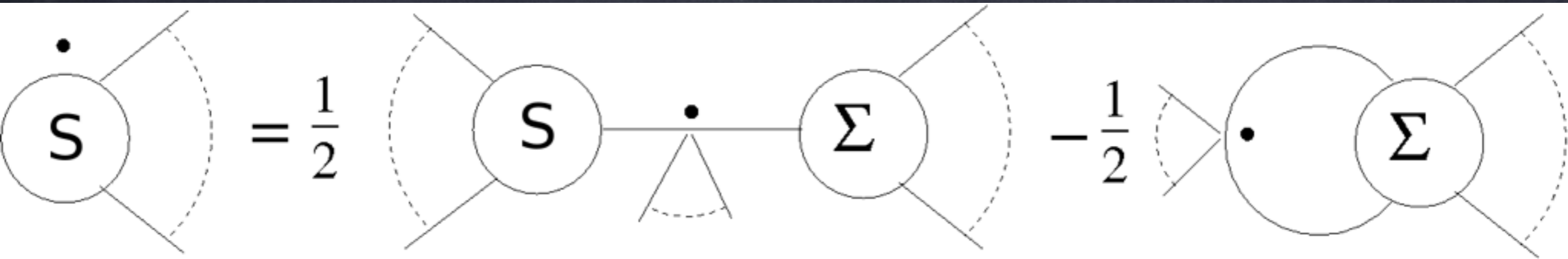


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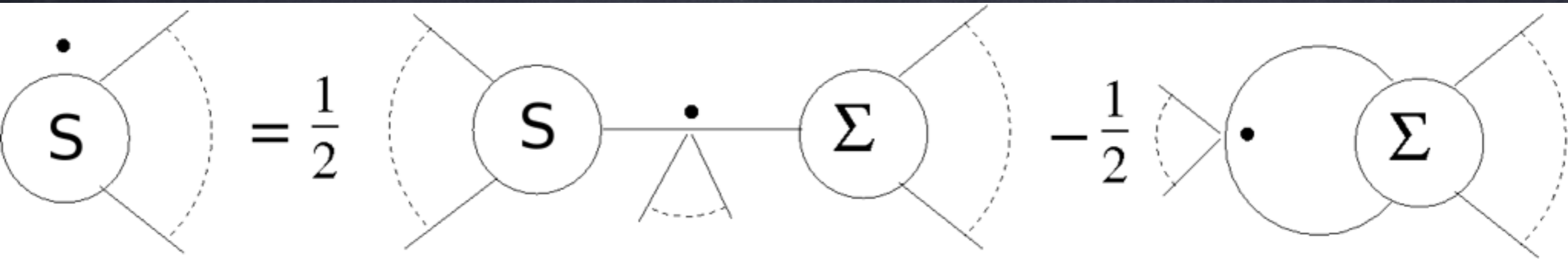
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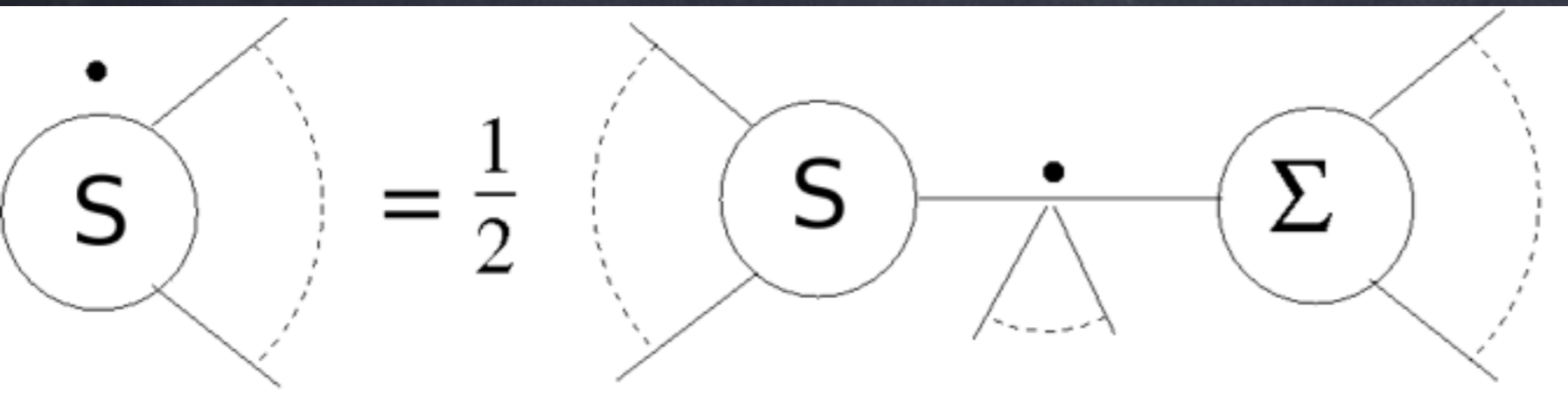
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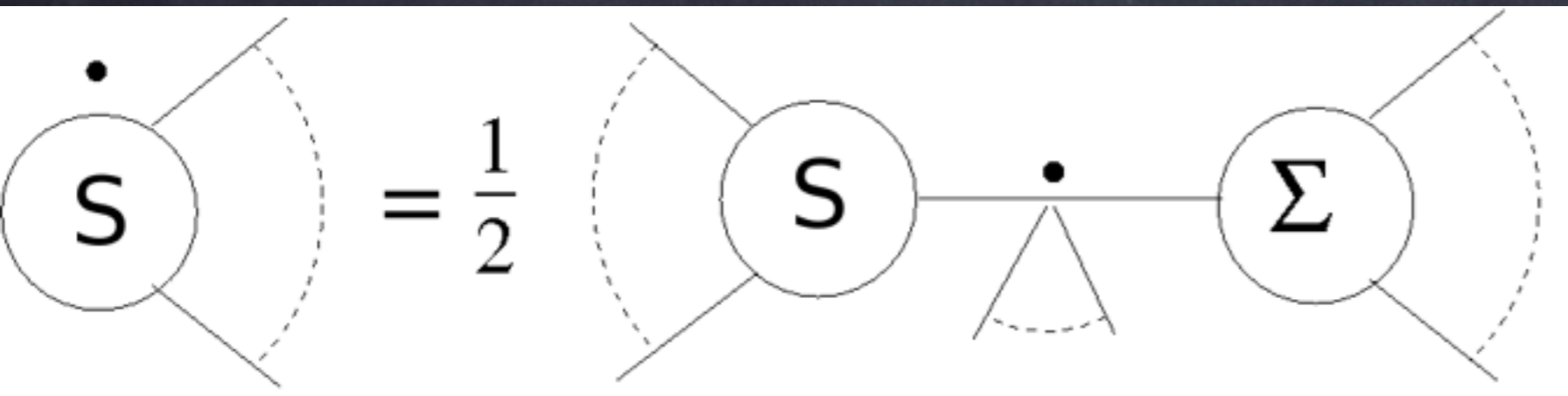


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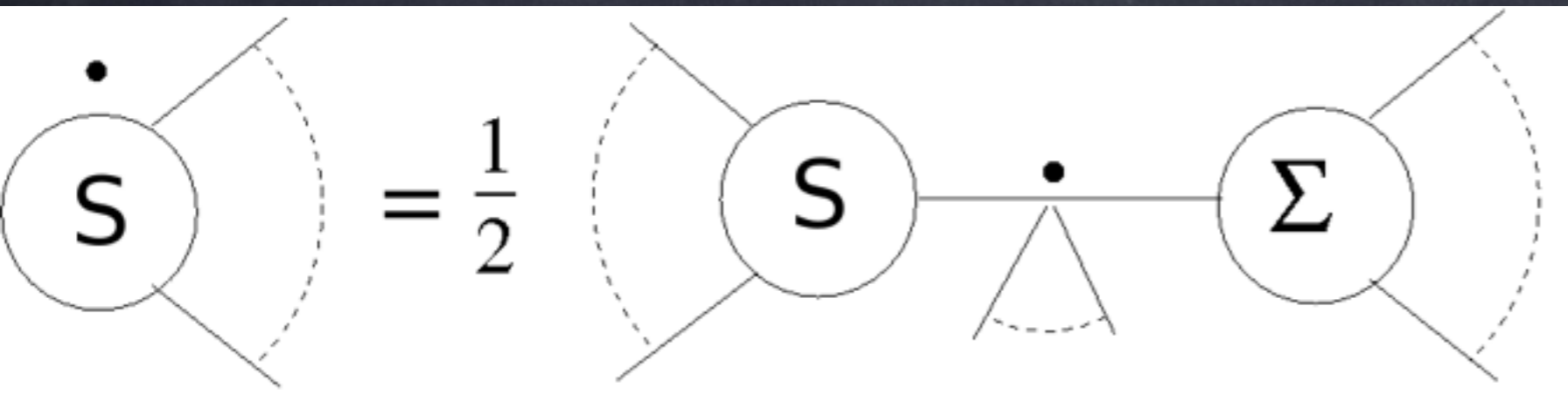
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Regularisation

Covariant higher derivatives are not enough

$$c^{-1} \sim \mathbf{D}^{2(n-1)} / \Lambda^{2(n-1)} \text{ but } S_1 \sim \text{Tr} \ln D^{2n} = n \text{Tr} \ln D^2$$

Embed in spontaneously broken supergroup

Degrees of freedom cancel at high energies

$$A_\mu = \begin{pmatrix} A_\mu^1 & B_\mu \\ \bar{B}_\mu & A_\mu^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{Parisi-Sourlas SUSY})$$

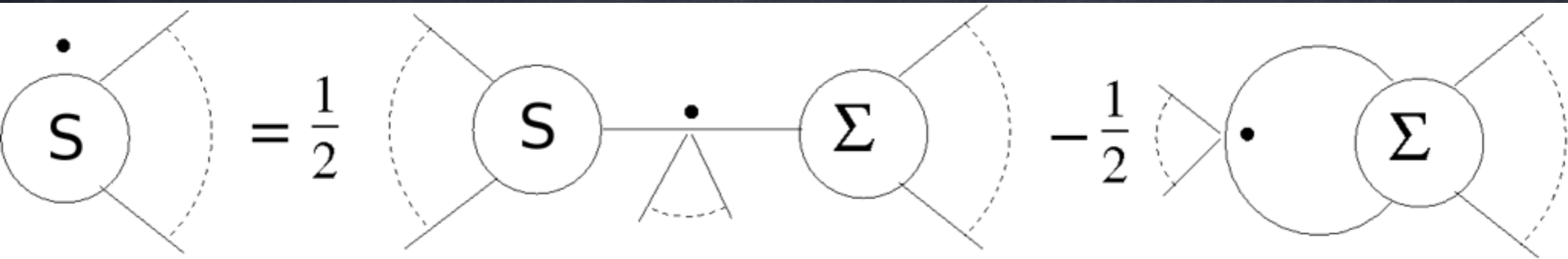
Massive $\sim \Lambda$ fermionic
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Gravity

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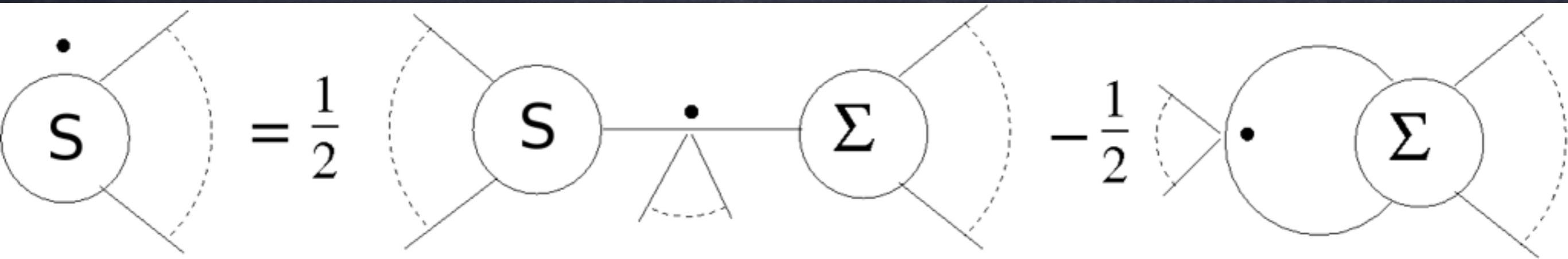
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Diffeomorphism invariance is exact!


$$-2p_{1\mu_1} \mathcal{S}^{\mu_1\nu_1 \dots \mu_n\nu_n}(p_1, \dots, p_n) = \sum_{i=2}^n \pi_{2i} \left\{ p_2^{\nu_1} \mathcal{S}^{\mu_2\nu_2 \dots \mu_n\nu_n}(p_1 + p_2, p_3, \dots, p_n) \right. \\ \left. + 2p_{1\alpha} \delta^{\nu_1(\nu_2} \mathcal{S}^{\mu_2)\alpha\mu_3\nu_3 \dots \mu_n\nu_n}(p_1 + p_2, p_3, \dots, p_n) \right\}$$

classical Gravity

Two-point vertex:

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Renormalisation condition:

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Background independent calculations!

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$$\mathbf{a}_0[\mathcal{O}_d, 1] = -\frac{1}{8}(d-4)\dot{\Delta}(0)\mathcal{O}_d$$

$$\dot{g}_2 = -\frac{c'(0)}{\Lambda^2}\hat{g}_0 \quad \implies \quad \hat{g}_0 = 0$$

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consistency

Gravity

Covariant higher derivatives are not enough

Extend diffeomorphisms along fermionic directions?

$$x^A = (x^\mu, \theta^a)$$

$$ds^2 = dx^A g_{AB} dx^B$$

Degrees of freedom cancel at high energies
(Parisi-Sourlas SUSY)

$$10 g_{\mu\nu} + 6 g_{ab} - 16 (g_{\mu a} = -g_{a\mu})$$

+ spontaneous symmetry breaking ...

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