

**R**adiative corrections  
divergences  
regularization  
renormalization  
renormalization group

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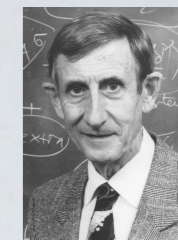
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# Quantum Electrodynamics - The first Quantum Field Theory



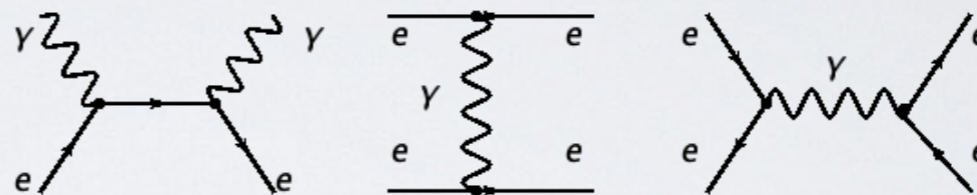
R. Feynman S. Tomonaga J. Schwinger

Nobel Prize motivation: “for their fundamental work in quantum electrodynamics, with deep-ploughing consequences for the physics of elementary particles”

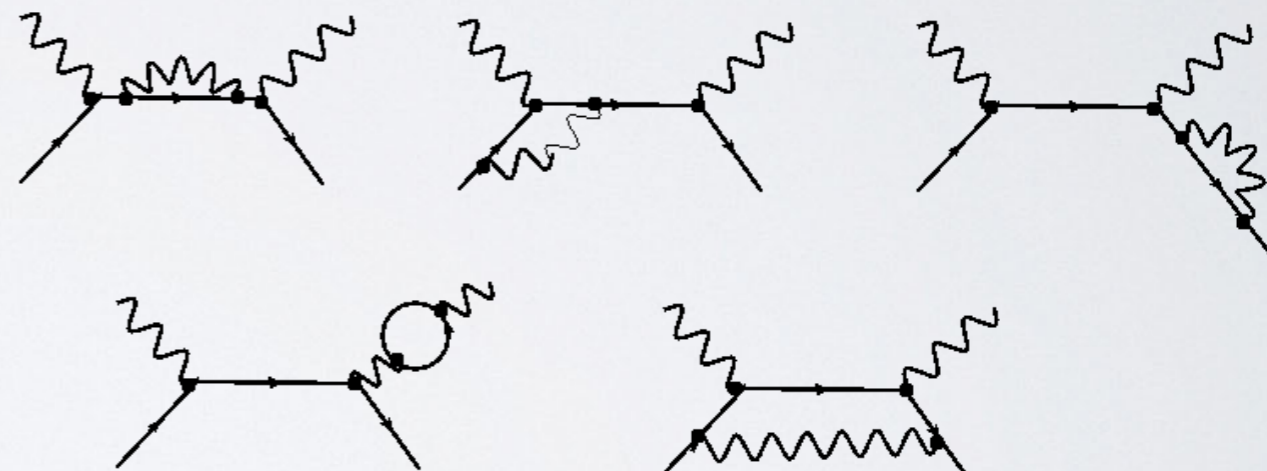


F. Dyson

- Covariant Feynman Rules



- The first UV divergences: electron self energy, vacuum polarization

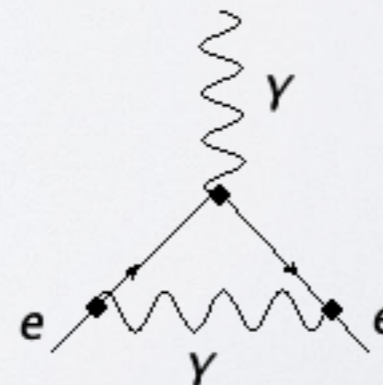


- The idea of renormalization
- Multiplicative renormalization - Dyson transformations

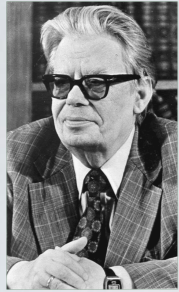
$$\psi \rightarrow \sqrt{Z_2}\psi, \quad A \rightarrow \sqrt{Z_3}A, \quad e \rightarrow \sqrt{Z_3}e$$

- QED - renormalizable quantum field theory
- First radiative corrections: anomalous magnetic moment of electron

$$a_e = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi}$$



# Renormalization operation



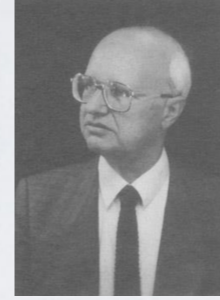
N. Bogoliubov



O. Parasyuk



K. Hepp



W. Zimmermann

- BPHZ  $\mathcal{R}$ -operation — the basis for obtaining finite expressions for the Green functions and S-matrix elements in generic quantum field theory

$$\mathcal{R}\mathcal{G} = (1 - K\mathcal{R}')\mathcal{G}$$

$$\mathcal{R}'\mathcal{G} = \mathcal{G} - \sum_{\gamma} K\mathcal{R}'_{\gamma}\mathcal{G}/\gamma + \sum_{\gamma,\gamma'} K\mathcal{R}'_{\gamma}K\mathcal{R}'_{\gamma'}\mathcal{G}/\gamma\gamma' - \dots,$$

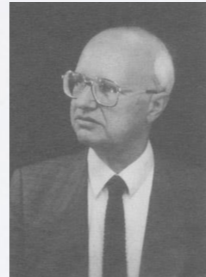
- Bogoliubov-Parasiuk theorem: In any local quantum field theory after subtraction of subdivergences the overall UV divergence is always local in coordinate space



H. Lehman



K. Symanzik



W. Zimmermann

$$S_{q_1, \dots, q_n; p_1, \dots, p_{n'}}^{conn} = \frac{1}{c^n (c^*)^{n'}} \prod_{k=1}^n \frac{q_k^2 - m_{phys}^2}{i} \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{p_j^2 - m_{phys}^2}{i} G_{n+n'}^{conn}(p_1, \dots, p_{n'}; -q_1, \dots, -q_{n-1})$$

- LSZ reduction formula shows how to obtain the S-matrix from time-ordered Green functions. It is fundamental to practical calculations of scattering processes.

# Renormalization group



E. Stueckelberg

A. Peterman

Normalization group generated by infinitesimal operators  $P_i$  connected with renormalization of the coupling constant  $e$

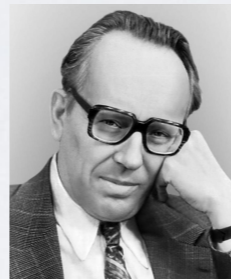


M. Gell-Mann

F. Low



N. Bogoliubov



D. Shirkov



C. Callan



K. Symanzik

$$d\left(\frac{k^2}{\lambda^2}, e_2^2\right) = \frac{d_c(k^2/m^2, e_1^2)}{d_c(\lambda^2/m^2, e_1^2)}, \quad e_2^2 = e_1^2 d_c(\lambda^2/m^2, e_1^2)$$

$$d(x, y; e^2) = d(t, y; e^2) d\left(\frac{x}{t}, \frac{y}{t}; e^2 d(t, y; e^2)\right)$$

$$\log x = \int_{e^2}^{e^2 d} \frac{dy}{\psi(y)} \quad \psi(e^2) = \frac{d(e^2 d)}{d \log x} \Big|_{x=1}$$

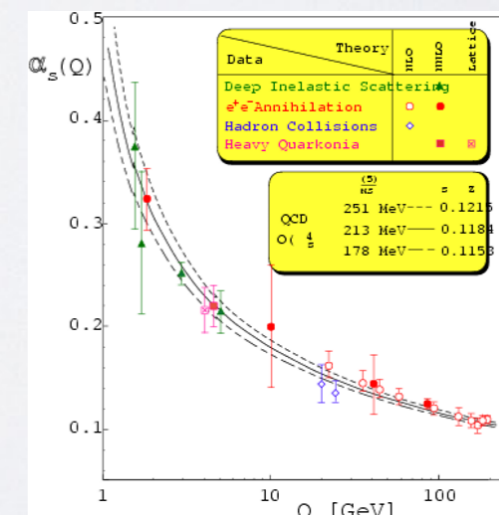
$$\left(x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \beta(y, \alpha) \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha}\right) \bar{\alpha}(x, y, \alpha) = 0$$

Summation of the leading asymptotic (leading logs) with the help of the RG equations

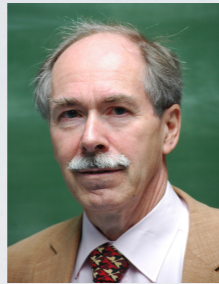
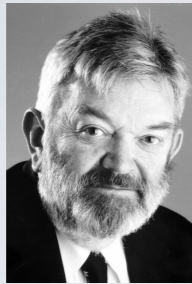
Running coupling

$$\frac{\partial \bar{\alpha}(x, y; \alpha)}{\partial \log x} = \beta\left(\frac{y}{x}, \bar{\alpha}(x, y; \alpha)\right)$$

Asymptotic freedom of the strong coupling



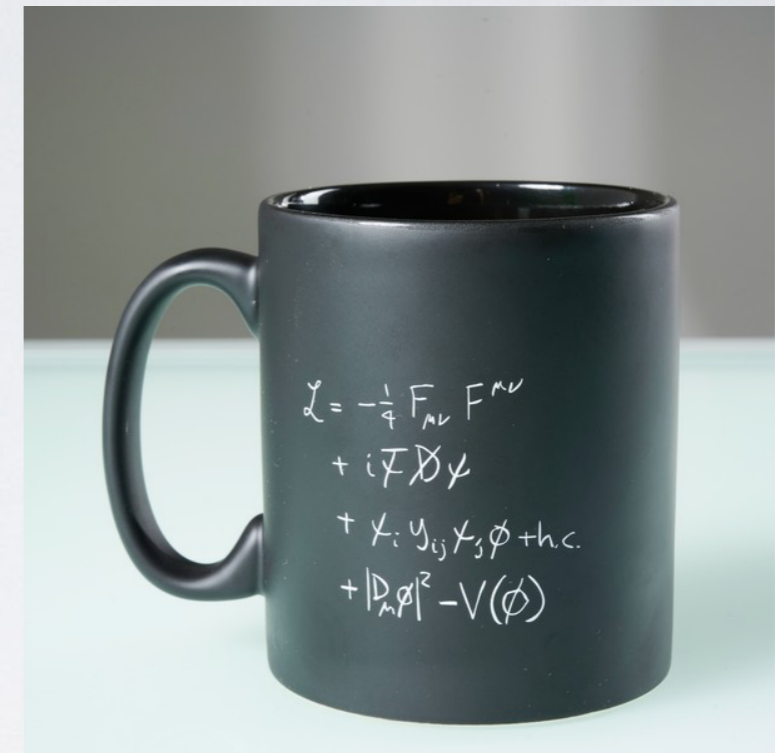
# Renormalizability in Quantum Field Theory



M. Veltman

G. 't Hooft

Proof of renormalizability of spontaneously broken Yang-Mills theory



Gauge choice

Unitarity v Renormalizability

$$G_{\mu\nu}(k) = -i \frac{g^{\mu\nu} - \frac{k^\mu k^\nu}{k^2}}{k^2 - M^2} \quad \ominus \quad \oplus$$

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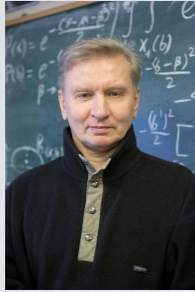
$$G_{\mu\nu}(k) = -i \frac{g^{\mu\nu} - \frac{k^\mu k^\nu}{k^2 - \xi M^2} (1 - \xi)}{k^2 - M^2} \quad \oplus \quad \oplus$$

The Standard Model is a renormalizable gauge quantum field theory!

$$SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$$

Three Generations of Matter (Fermions)					
	I	II	III		
mass →	3 MeV	1.24 GeV	172.5 GeV	0	125.7 GeV
charge →	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	0	0
spin →	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	0
name →	<b>u</b> up	<b>c</b> charm	<b>t</b> top	<b>γ</b> photon	<b>H</b> Higgs
Quarks	6 MeV	95 MeV	4.2 GeV	0	0
	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$-\frac{1}{3}$	0	0
	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	2
	<b>d</b> down	<b>s</b> strange	<b>b</b> bottom	<b>g</b> gluon	<b>G</b> Graviton
Leptons	<2 eV	<0.19 MeV	<18.2 MeV	90.2 GeV	
	0	0	0	0	
	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	
	<b>ν<sub>e</sub></b> electron neutrino	<b>ν<sub>μ</sub></b> muon neutrino	<b>ν<sub>τ</sub></b> tau neutrino	<b>Z<sup>0</sup></b> weak force	Bosons (Forces)
0.511 MeV	106 MeV	1.78 GeV	80.4 GeV		
-1	-1	-1	±1		
	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	
	<b>e</b> electron	<b>μ</b> muon	<b>τ</b> tau	<b>W<sup>±</sup></b> weak force	

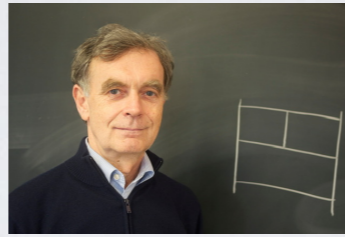
# $\mathcal{R}^*$ -operation



F. Tkachov



K. Chetyrkin



V. Smirnov

$$R^* = \tilde{R}R$$

UV	IR
$\Delta(\gamma)$ UV counterterm $P_\gamma$ Contraction of subgraph Locality in coordinate space  R-operation	$\tilde{\Delta}(\gamma)$ IR counterterm $\tilde{P}_\gamma$ Removal of subgraph Locality in momentum space  $\tilde{R}$ -operation

$R^*$  is a generalisation of the R-operation which includes the IR divergent subgraphs  
 - new powerful technique to calculate multiloop Feynman diagrams

## Non-renormalizable interactions

- The Standard Model is renormalizable
- Gravity is not renormalizable
- All cosmological models are non-renormalizable

Non-renormalizable theories are not accepted due to:

- UV divergences are not under control - infinite number of new types of divergences
- The amplitudes increase with energy (in PT) and violate unitarity

However:

- R-operation equally works for NR theories and leads to local counter terms
  - Due to locality all higher order divergences are related to the lower ones
- 🕒 These properties allow one to write down the RG equations for the scattering amplitudes, effective potential, etc which sum up the leading divergences (logarithms) and to find out the high energy/field behaviour

# The Recurrence Relation

Leading terms

Kazakov,20

$$n \text{ (oval)} \quad A_n \text{ (oval)} = -2 \text{ (triangle)} \quad A_{n-1} \text{ (oval)} - \sum_{k=1}^{n-2} \text{ (oval)} \quad A_k \text{ (oval)} \quad \text{(circle)} \quad A_{n-1-k} \text{ (oval)}$$

- This is the general recurrence relation that reflects the locality of the counter terms in any theory
- In renormalizable theories  $A_n$  is a constant and this relation is reduced to the algebraic one
- In non-renormalizable theories  $A_n$  depends on kinematics and one has to integrate through the one loop diagrams

Taking the sum  $\sum_n A_n (-z)^n = A(z)$  one can transform the recurrence relation into integro-diff equation

$$\frac{d}{dz} A(z) = b_0 \left\{ -1 - 2 \int_{\Delta} A(z) - \int_{\circlearrowleft} A^2(z) \right\} \quad \frac{d}{dz} = \frac{d}{d \log \mu^2}$$

This is the generalized RG equation valid in any (even non-renormalizable) theory!



# RG Equation

**SYM\_D**

**D=6 N=2**

$$\Sigma(s, t, z) = z^{-2} \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} (-z)^n S_n(s, t)$$

$$\frac{d}{dz} \Sigma(s, t, z) = s - \frac{2}{z} \Sigma(s, t, z) + 2s \int_0^1 dx \int_0^x dy (\Sigma(s, t', z) + \Sigma(t', s, z))|_{t'=xt+yu}$$

Linear equation

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**D=8 N=1**

$$\Sigma(s, t, z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-z)^n S_n(s, t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dz} \Sigma(s, t, z) = & -\frac{1}{12} + 2s^2 \int_0^1 dx \int_0^x dy y(1-x) (\Sigma(s, t', z) + \Sigma(t', s, z))|_{t'=tx+yu} \\ & -s^4 \int_0^1 dx x^2(1-x)^2 \sum_{p=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p!(p+2)!} \left( \frac{d^p}{dt'^p} (\Sigma(s, t', z) + \Sigma(t', s, z))|_{t'=-sx} \right)^2 (tsx(1-x))^p. \end{aligned}$$

Non-linear equation

Borlakov, Kazakov, Tolkachev, Vlasenko, 15

## Examples:

- Maximally supersymmetric gauge theory in  $D=6,8,10$  dimensions  $\text{SYM}_D$
- Scalar field theory in  $D=4,6,8,10$  dimensions  $\phi_D^4$
- Gauge theory in  $D=4,6,8$  dimensions YM
- Supersymmetric Wess-Zumino model with quartic superpotential in  $D=4$   $\Phi_4^4$

Based on:

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These are the toy models for (super) gravity - our aim

# Effective Potential in Arbitrary Scalar Theory in D=4

$$V_{eff}(g, \phi) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-g)^k V_k(\phi) \quad V_0(\phi) \text{ - Classical potential}$$

RG pole equation (in the leading log approximation)

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$$\frac{d\Sigma}{dz} = -\frac{1}{4} (D_2 \Sigma)^2 \quad \Sigma(0, \phi) = V_0(\phi)$$

This a non-linear partial differential equation!

This equations sums the leading logs in all orders of PT!

Effective potential

$$V_{eff}(g, \phi) = g \Sigma(z, \phi) \Big|_{z \rightarrow -\frac{g}{16\pi^2} \log gv_2/\mu^2} \quad v_2(\phi) \equiv \frac{d^2 V_0(\phi)}{d\phi^2}$$

# Example III: Inflation Potential

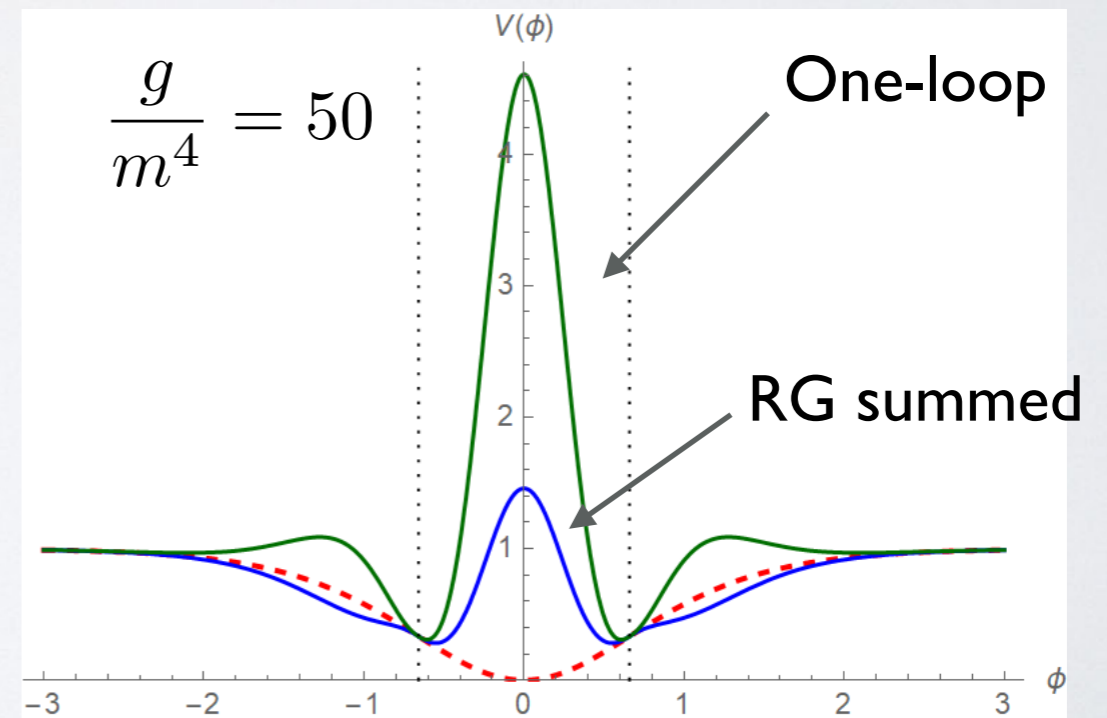
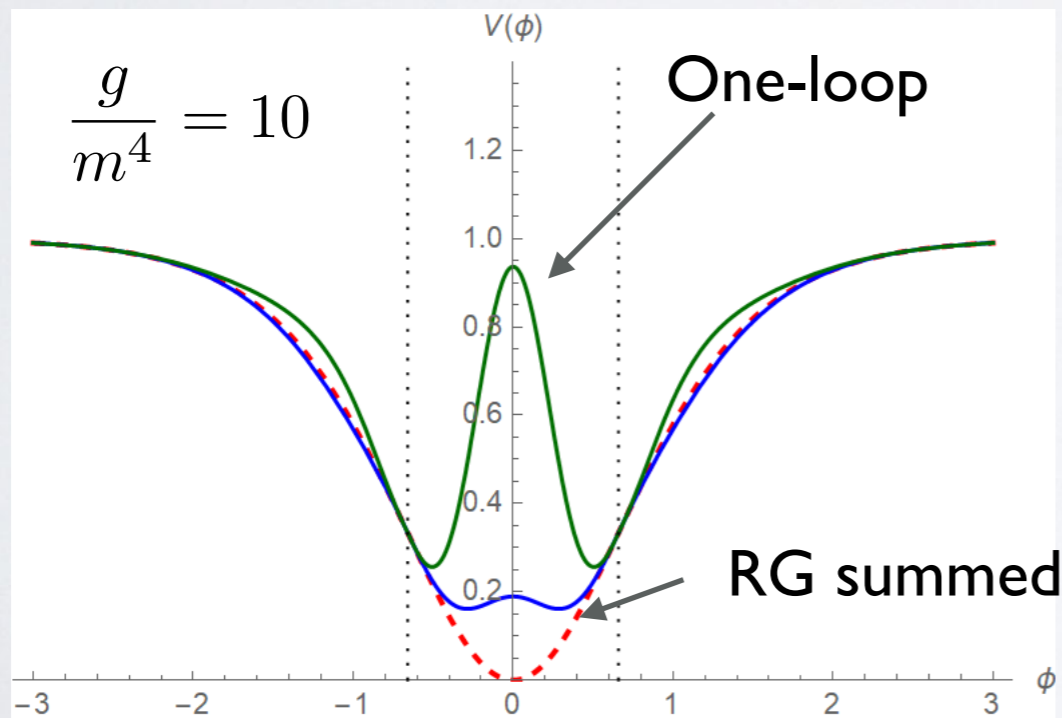
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$$gV_0 = g \tanh^2(\phi/m)$$

$$\frac{d\Sigma}{dz} = -\frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{d^2\Sigma}{d\phi^2} \right)^2 \quad \Sigma\left(\frac{z}{m^4}, \frac{\phi}{m}\right) \quad \Sigma|_{\phi \rightarrow \infty} \rightarrow 1 \quad z = \frac{g}{\epsilon}$$

$$\Sigma'|_{\phi \rightarrow \infty} \rightarrow 0$$

$$V_{eff}(g, \phi) = g\Sigma(z, \phi)|_{z \rightarrow -\frac{g}{16\pi^2} \log gv_2/\mu^2} \cdot \quad v_2(\phi) \equiv \frac{d^2V_0(\phi)}{d\phi^2}$$



- Peak at the origin
- Additional minima

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