

# On Amplitudes and Field Redefinitions

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# Outline

- Impact of Field Redefinitions on EFTs
- Review: Non-derivative Field Redefinitions
  - Field space geometry
- Challenge: Derivative Field Redefinitions
  - How does 1PI Effective Action transform?
  - All-loop tensor-like recursion relation
  - Transformation lemma

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- This could make the following tasks less straightforward:
  - Enumerating Independent Operators (EOM Redundancies)
  - Distinguishing Linear vs Nonlinear Realizations
  - Calculating Amplitudes and RGEs

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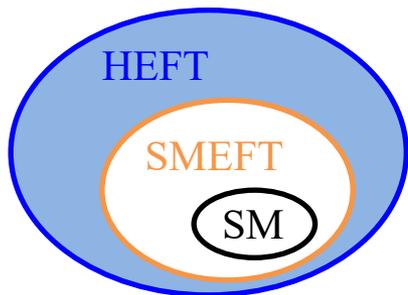
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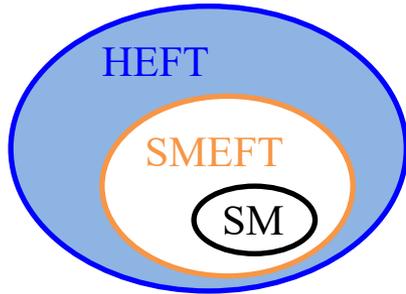
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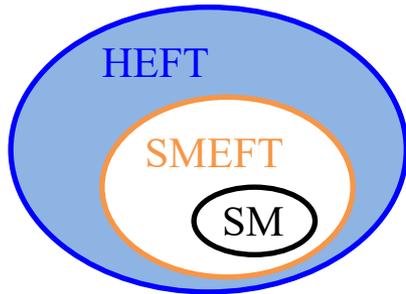
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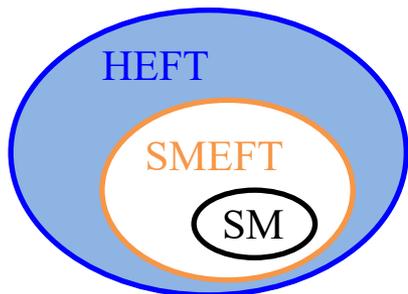
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SMEFT

Field redefinition  $h_1 \equiv h + \frac{1}{4v} h^2$

## RG Ambiguities and Infinite RGEs

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**High Energy Physics – Theory**

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### On Ambiguities and Divergences in Perturbative Renormalization Group Functions

Florian Herren, Anders Eller Thomsen

There is an ambiguity in choosing field-strength renormalization factors in the  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  scheme starting from the 3-loop order in perturbation theory. More concerning, trivially choosing Hermitian factors has been shown to produce divergent renormalization group functions, which are commonly understood to be finite quantities. We demonstrate that the divergences of the RG functions are such that they vanish in the RG equation due to the Ward identity associated with the flavor symmetry. It turns out that any such divergences can be removed using the renormalization ambiguity and that the use of the flavor-improved  $\beta$ -function is preferred. We show how our observations resolve the issue of divergences appearing in previous calculations of the 3-loop SM Yukawa  $\beta$ -functions and provide the first calculation of the flavor-improved 3-loop SM  $\beta$ -functions in the gaugeless limit.

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**High Energy Physics – Phenomenology**

*[Submitted on 13 Feb 2024]*

### Field Redefinitions and Infinite Field Anomalous Dimensions

Aneesh V. Manohar, Julie Pagès, Jasper Roosmale Nepveu

Field redefinitions are commonly used to reduce the number of operators in the Lagrangian by removing redundant operators and transforming to a minimal operator basis. We give a general argument that such field redefinitions, while leaving the  $S$ -matrix invariant and consequently finite, lead not only to infinite Green's functions, but also to infinite field anomalous dimensions  $\gamma_\phi$ . These divergences cannot be removed by counterterms without reintroducing redundant operators.

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### ➤ Distinguishing Linear vs Nonlinear Realizations

Alonso, Jenkins, and Manohar, arXiv: 1511.00724, 1605.03602

Cohen, Craig, **XL**, and Sutherland, arXiv: 2008.08597

### ➤ Calculating Amplitudes and RGEs

Cohen, Craig, **XL**, and Sutherland, arXiv: 2108.03240

Alonso and West, arXiv: 2109.13290

Helset, Jenkins, and Manohar, arXiv: 2210.08000, 2212.03253

Assi, Helset, Manohar, Pagès, and Shen, arXiv: 2307.03187

Jenkins, Manohar, Naterop, and Pagès, arXiv: 2308.06315, 2310.19883

## Derivative Field Redefinitions?

### ➤ Lagrange Geometry and Jet Bundle Approach

Craig, Lee, **XL**, and Sutherland, arXiv: 2305.09722

Craig and Lee, arXiv: 2307.15742

Alminawi, Brivio, and Davighi, arXiv: 2308.00017

Manifold Coordinates:  $\phi \rightarrow (\phi, \partial_{\mu_1} \phi) \rightarrow (\phi, \partial_{\mu_1} \phi, \dots, \partial_{\mu_1} \dots \partial_{\mu_k} \phi)$

### ➤ Functional Geometry Approach

Cohen, Craig, **XL**, and Sutherland, arXiv: 2202.06965, 2312.06748

**Infinite dimensional**

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### ➤ Geometry-Kinematics Duality

Cheung, Helset, and Parra-Martinez, arXiv: 2202.06972

$$\frac{1}{n!} \bar{g}_{p_1 p_2, q_1 \dots q_n} (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_1 + p_2 + q_1 + \dots + q_n) \equiv \frac{1}{-p_1 p_2} \frac{1}{(n+2)!} \frac{\delta^{n+2} S}{\delta \phi(p_1) \delta \phi(p_2) \delta \phi(q_1) \dots \delta \phi(q_n)} \Big|_{\phi=0}$$

## Tracking 1PI Effective Action

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### ➤ Two-loop Formalism

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Mathematica package: [STrEAM.m](https://github.com/Stream-Martin/STrEAM.m)

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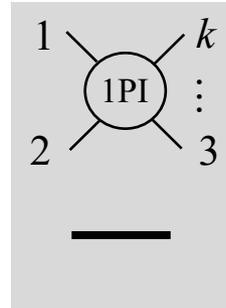
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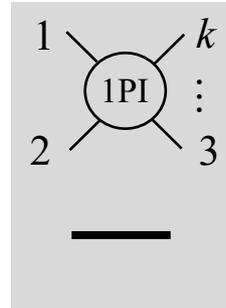
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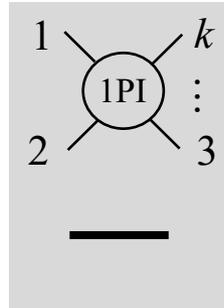
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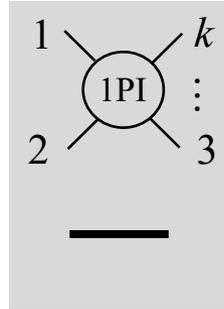
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- Transformation of 1PI Effective Action up to one loop

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# Summary

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  - EOM redundancies
  - Obscuring linear vs non-linear realizations
  - Complications in calculating amplitudes and RGEs
- Derivative Field Redefinitions are more challenging
- Tracking the transformation of 1PI Effective Action helps
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