

# Non-perturbative renormalization for the neural network-QFT correspondence

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# Outline: 1. Motivations

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NN-QFT correspondence

Renormalization group in NN-QFT

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# Talk highlights

- ▶ neural networks and uses in physics in a nutshell
- ▶ NN-QFT correspondence between:
  - ▶ statistical ensemble of neural networks
  - ▶ (Euclidean) quantum field theory
- ▶ describe the correspondence
  - ▶ infinite-width neural network = Gaussian process = free QFT (i.e. infinite number of neurons)
  - ▶ finite-width = interactions
  - ▶ data-space and theory space
  - ▶ renormalization group
  - ▶ numerical results
- ▶ goal: effective theory of learning
  - ▶ improve efficiency
  - ▶ improve architecture design

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Typical problems

- ▶ **big data**: large-dimensional and noisy data to be related to theoretical models  
(particle colliders, gravitational waves, galaxy surveys...)
- ▶ **exploration**: landscape of possible models too large or not well understood (BSM phenomenology, NN-QFT...)
- ▶ **computational**: interaction structure prevents writing the model explicitly or making analytic computations  
(strong coupling, many-body physics...)

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- ▶ neural network (NN)  $f(x)$  = sequence of:
  - ▶ matrix multiplication + translations (learnable parameters)
  - ▶ element-wise non-linear functions (fixed)
- ▶ supervised learning: given a set of pairs  $(x_i, y_i = F(x_i))$ , tune parameters with gradient descent such that  $\forall i : f(x_i) \approx F(x_i)$
- ▶ motivations
  - ▶ generically outperform all other machine learning algorithms
  - ▶ can outperform human experts
  - ▶ transfer learning (train for one task, apply to other tasks)

# What is a neural network?

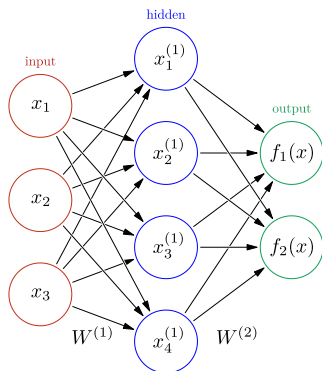
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$$x_{i_1}^{(1)} = g^{(1)}\left(W_{i_1 i_0}^{(1)} x_{i_0}^{(0)}\right)$$

$$f_{i_2}(x_{i_0}) := x_{i_2}^{(2)} = g^{(2)}\left(W_{i_2 i_1}^{(2)} x_{i_1}^{(1)}\right)$$

$$i_0 = 1, 2, 3; i_1 = 1, \dots, 4; i_2 = 1, 2$$

$$K = 1; d_{\text{in}} = 3; d_{\text{out}} = 2; N^{(1)} = 4$$



- ▶ input  $x^{(0)} := x \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{\text{in}}}$
- ▶  $K \geq 1$  **hidden layers**,  $n \in \{1, \dots, K\}$ 
  - ▶ layer  $n$ :  $N^{(n)}$  **neurons** (units)  $x^{(n)} \in \mathbb{R}^{N^{(n)}}$
  - ▶ learnable **weights**  $W^{(n)} \in \mathbb{R}^{N^{(n)} \times N^{(n-1)}}$
  - ▶ learnable **biases**  $b^{(n)} \in \mathbb{R}^{N^{(n)}}$  (not displayed)
  - ▶ fixed **activation functions**  $g^{(n)}$  (element-wise)
- ▶ output  $x^{(K+1)} := f(x) \in \mathbb{R}^{d_{\text{out}}}$



# Problems with neural networks

- ▶ **black box**: hard to understand the meaning of computations
- ▶ **loss landscape**: loss function non-convex and very rough, hard to find (global) minimum (related to spin glass)  
[1412.0233, Choromanska et al.; 1712.09913, Li et al.]
- ▶ **complicated training**: expensive computationally, convergence issues. . .  
[syncedreview.com/cost-of-training-sota-ai-models/]
- ▶ **hyperparameter tuning**: mostly trial and errors or random/Bayesian/bandit optimization
- ▶ **expressibility**: which functions can be approximated, under which conditions?  
[1606.05336, Raghu et al.]

# Why physics?

- ▶ effective description (no need to know fundamental theory)
- ▶ efficient representation of statistical models (path integral, Feynman diagrams)
- ▶ collective dynamics of degrees of freedom and organization by scales (renormalization, phase transitions)

→ develop tools to improve analytical understanding of neural network building and training

[Krauth-Mézard '87; Gardner '88; Gardner-Derrida '88; Krauth-Mézard-Nadal '88; Krauth-Mézard-Nadal '88; Amaldi-Nicolis '89; Krauth-Mézard '89; Mézard-Nadal '89; Nicolis '92; ...; 1608.08225, Lin-Tegmark-Rolnick; 1903.10563, Carleo et al.; Zdeborová '21]

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In this talk [2108.01403, HE-Lahoche-Samary]:

- ▶ describe the NN-QFT correspondence
- ▶ discuss the theory space
- ▶ establish RG flow for the QFT
- ▶ provide numerical results

## Main “experimental” result

Varying the standard deviation of the weight distribution induces an RG flow in the space of neural networks.

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# Neural network

- ▶ fully connected neural network (one hidden layer)

$$f_{\theta, N} : \mathbb{R}^{d_{\text{in}}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{d_{\text{out}}}$$

$$f_{\theta, N}(x) = W_1 \left( g(W_0 x + b_0) \right) + b_1$$

- ▶ width  $N$ , activation function  $g$
- ▶ parameters (weights and biases): Gaussian distributions

$$\theta = (W_0, b_0, W_1, b_1)$$

$$W_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_W^2/d_{\text{in}}), \quad W_1 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_W^2/N)$$

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- ▶ effective (IR) 2-point function **exactly known** ( $G^{(2)}$   $N$ -indep.)

$$G^{(2)}(x, y) = K(x, y) = G_0^{(2)}(x, y)$$

- ▶ work with **1PI effective action**

$$\Gamma[f] = S_0[f] + \Gamma_{\text{int}}[f]$$



## Summary of NN-QFT correspondence

	QFT	NN / GP
$x$	spacetime points	data-space inputs
$p$	momentum space	dual data-space
$f$	field	neural network
$K(x, y)$	propagator	Gaussian kernel
$S$	action	log probability
$S_0$	free action	Gaussian log probability
$S_{\text{int}}$	interactions	non-Gaussian corrections

Why is it interesting?

- ▶ correlation functions between outputs (= Green functions) give measure of learning
- ▶ e.g. 1-point function  $\langle f(x) \rangle$  = average prediction for input  $x$  (relation with symmetry breaking)

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- ▶ **neural network phenomenology**
  1. assumptions dictated by numerical evidences
  2. write model to match observations
  3. use model to check theoretical facts (dualities...)

ex.: local interactions sufficient for simple models [2008.08601, HMS], study of input/output symmetries [2106.00694, HMS]

## Examples of interactions

- ▶ local interactions

$$S_{\text{int}} = \sum_n g_n \int d^{d_{\text{in}}} x f(x)^n$$

- ▶ non-local interactions and coupling functions

$$S_{\text{int}} = \int d^{d_{\text{in}}} x_1 \cdots d^{d_{\text{in}}} x_n g(x_1, \dots, x_n) f(x_1) \cdots f(x_n)$$

- ▶ delocalized fields [[2111.03672](#), HE-Firat-Zwiebach]

$$\tilde{f}(x) := \int d^{d_{\text{in}}} y \kappa(x, y) f(y)$$

- ▶ tensor models: break permutation invariance

$$S_{\text{int}} = g \int d^3 x d^3 y d^3 z \rho(x, y, z) f(x_1, y_2, z_3) f(y_1, z_2, x_3) f(z_1, x_2, y_3)$$

too wild, restrict to random tensor field theories [[Gurau '16](#)]:

$f(x)$  = 3-tensor field with continuous indices, pairwise contractions

# GaussNet

Setup in this talk and [2108.01403, HE-Lahoche-Samary]:

- ▶ take  $d_{\text{out}} = 1$
- ▶ translation-invariant activation function

$$g(W_0x + b_0) = \frac{\exp(W_0x + b_0)}{\sqrt{\exp\left[2\left(\sigma_b^2 + \frac{\sigma_W^2}{d_{\text{in}}}x^2\right)\right]}}$$

(stricly speaking, activation func. + normalization)

- ▶ GP kernel [2008.08601, HMS]

$$K(x, y) := \sigma_b^2 + K_W(x, y), \quad K_W(x, y) = \sigma_W^2 e^{-\frac{\sigma_W^2}{2d_{\text{in}}}|x-y|^2}$$

- ▶ note: [2008.08601, HMS] also considers ReLU and Erf functions

# Numerical setup

[2008.08601, HMS; 2108.01403, HE-Lahoche-Samary]

- ▶  $d_{\text{in}} = 1, \sigma_b = 1, N \in \{2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 500, 1000\}$
- ▶  $n_{\text{bags}}$  distinct statistical ensembles of  $n_{\text{nets}}$  networks each
- ▶ “experimental” Green functions

$$\bar{G}_{\text{exp}}^{(n)}(x_1, \dots, x_n) := \frac{1}{n_{\text{bags}}} \sum_{A=1}^{n_{\text{bags}}} G_{\text{exp}}^{(n)}(x_1, \dots, x_n) \Big|_{\text{bag } A}$$

$$G_{\text{exp}}^{(n)}(x_1, \dots, x_n) := \frac{1}{n_{\text{nets}}} \sum_{\alpha=1}^{n_{\text{nets}}} f_{\alpha}(x_1) \cdots f_{\alpha}(x_n)$$

$$\Delta G_{\text{exp}}^{(n)} := \bar{G}_{\text{exp}}^{(n)} - G_0^{(n)}, \quad m_n := \frac{\Delta G_{\text{exp}}^{(n)}}{G_0^{(n)}}$$

- ▶  $x^{(1)}, \dots, x^{(6)} \in \{-0.01, -0.006, -0.002, 0.002, 0.006, 0.01\}$   
→ evaluate Green functions for all inequivalent combinations



## Effective action

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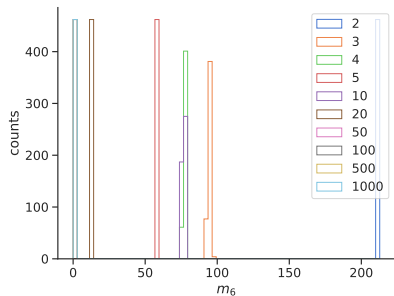
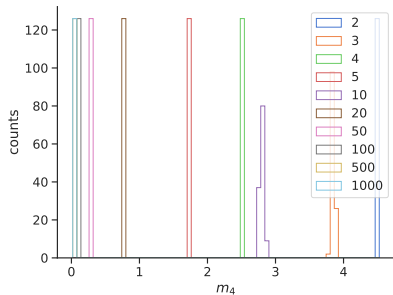
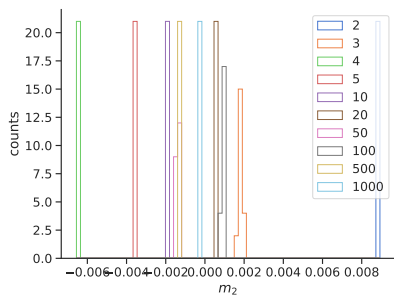
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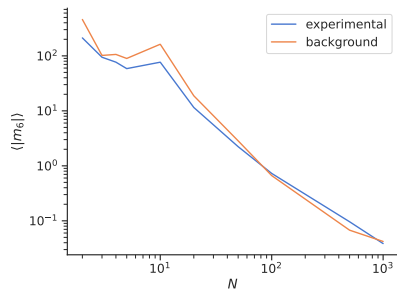
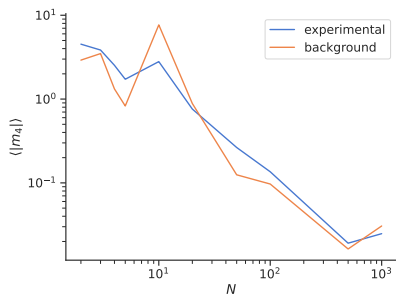
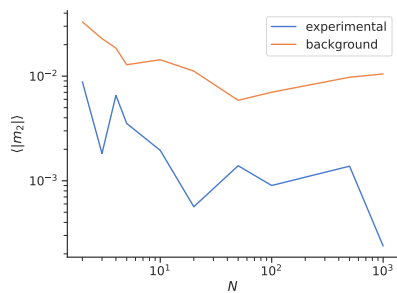
$$\Gamma = S_0 + \frac{u_4}{4!} \int d^{d_{\text{in}}} x f(x)^4 + \frac{u_6}{6!} \int d^{d_{\text{in}}} x f(x)^6$$

# Green function deviations: histogram



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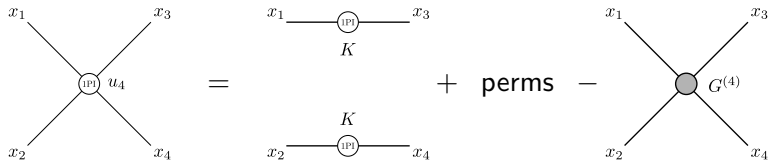


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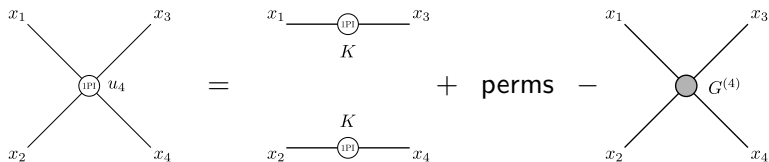


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- ▶ measure  $u_4$  from  $G_{\text{exp}}^{(4)}$

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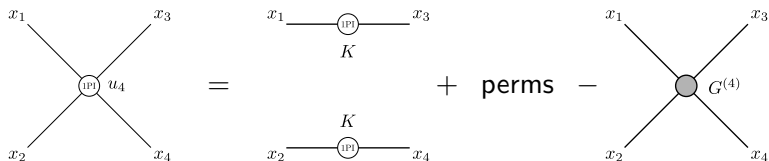
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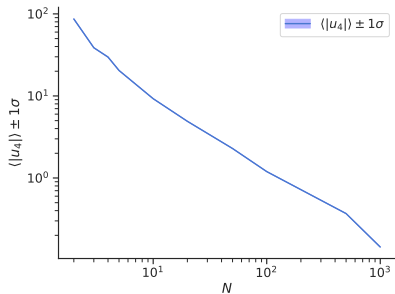
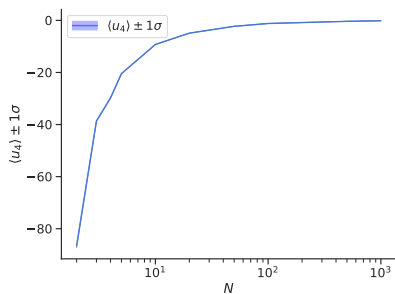
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- ▶ result:  $u_4 \approx \text{constant} < 0$   
 $\rightarrow$  need  $u_6 > 0$  for path integral stability

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$$\sigma_W = 1, \quad n_{\text{bags}} = 30, \quad n_{\text{nets}} = 30000$$



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- ▶ renormalization group (RG) flow:
  - ▶ organize theory according to length scales
  - ▶ integrate degrees of freedom (dof) step by step  
→ flow in the theory space
  - ▶ connect UV to IR
- ▶ review: [[cond-mat/0702365](#), Delamotte]

## Wilson RG: momentum-shell integration

- ▶ split field in slow and fast modes with respect to scale  $k$

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$$\frac{d\Gamma_k}{dk} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{dR_k}{dk} \text{tr} (\Gamma_k'' + R_k)^{-1}$$

$\Gamma_k''$  second derivatives of  $\Gamma$  w.r.t.  $\varphi$

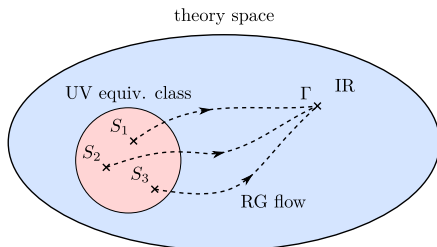
- ▶ solving requires approximation
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  - ▶ opposite as usual, need to reverse flow
  - ▶ since information is lost, no 1-to-1 map UV / IR
  - ▶ but any microscopic theory in IR universality class is fine



(Note: [2008.08601, Halverson-Maiti-Stoner] defines RG flow w.r.t. IR cutoff)

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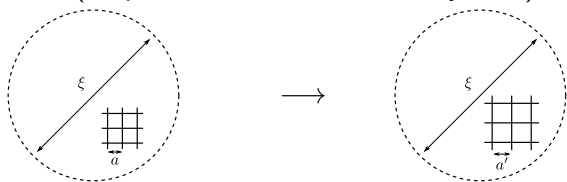
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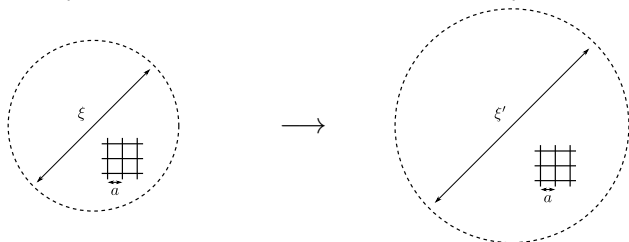


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where

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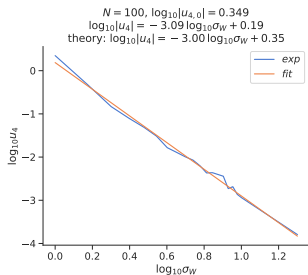
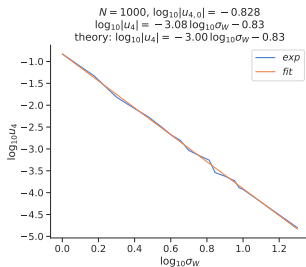
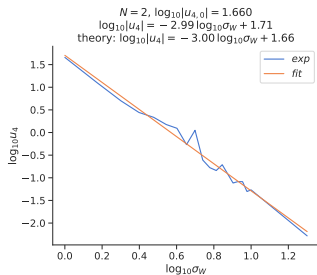
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$$\sigma_W \in \{1.0, 1.5, \dots, 10, 20\}$$

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