

On the Structure of Analytic Renormalization

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Abstract. A direct proof is given that analytic renormalization has an additive structure and hence may be implemented by counterterms in the Lagrangian.

§ 1. Introduction

Of the various types of renormalization in perturbative quantum field theory we will here accept as basic the *additive* approach of Bogoliubov [1]. In this method formally infinite quantities are subtracted from a divergent Feynman amplitude to produce a finite renormalized result. Physics enters because these subtractions may be implemented in the field theory by inserting counterterms into the interaction Lagrangian; the counterterms are then related to renormalizations of mass, charge, etc.

The particular implementation of the additive approach given by Bogoliubov has two difficulties: the recursive definition of the renormalized amplitudes makes them difficult to compute, and the proof that the result is finite is very complicated (see [1–3]). *Analytic renormalization* ([4, 5]) removes these difficulties, to a large extent, by giving a simple prescription which obviously yields a finite result. On the other hand, to establish the connection with physics (specifically, to show that analytic renormalization is equivalent to additive renormalization) it was necessary in [4, 5] to use the recursive definition as a starting point. In the present paper we avoid this problem and show directly that analytic renormalization may be implemented by counterterms in the Lagrangian.

Some work related to these goals has previously appeared. In [6] Westwater gives a definition of analytic renormalization which he shows to be implementable by counterterms (and to be equivalent to the definition of [4, 5]). His definition is not recursive, but, like the Bogoliubov prescription, does involve modifying the integral by modification of (i.e., subtractions from) the integrand. The present paper is more in the spirit of [4, 5]; the counterterms, like the renormalized amplitude itself,

are obtained from well defined operators on a space of meromorphic functions. In [7], Hepp gives an axiomatic formulation of renormalization and shows easily that analytic renormalization satisfies the axioms. However, his proof that the axioms may also be implemented by an additive procedure rests on the usual recursively defined counterterms. It is hoped that the present paper may provide an easier ascent of this „*Aiguille Verte*“.

In § 2 we review briefly the basic results of the theory of analytic renormalization (following the notation of [5]) and the formulation of additive renormalization which will be convenient here. In § 3 we study a natural decomposition of meromorphic functions in a certain class, and in § 4 show that on the functions of physical interest this corresponds to the counterterms of additive renormalization. We do not discuss the question of finite renormalization, which is thoroughly dealt with in [7, 8].

§ 2. Review

We recall the following terminology. A *Feynman graph* G is a graph (with vertices V_1, \dots, V_m and set of lines $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}(G)$), to each line ℓ of which there is associated a propagator $\Delta_\ell \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^4)$ whose Fourier transform has the form

$$\tilde{\Delta}_\ell(p) = Z_\ell(p) (p^2 - m_\ell^2 + i0)^{-1}.$$

Here Z_ℓ is a polynomial of degree r_ℓ , and $m_\ell > 0$ is the mass associated with the line. For our purposes all vertices of G are considered to be external. The *superficial divergence* of G is

$$\mu(G) = \sum_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}} (r_\ell + 2) - 4(m - 1).$$

A subgraph $H \subset G$ is again a Feynman graph in an obvious way.

The Feynman graph G is *irreducible* if it is connected and cannot be disconnected by removing a single line or vertex. A *singularity family* (*s-family*) \mathcal{E} for G is a collection of irreducible subgraphs of G such that (a) if $H, H' \in \mathcal{E}$, then $H \supset H'$, $H' \supset H$, or $\mathcal{L}(H) \cap \mathcal{L}(H') = \emptyset$, and (b) if $H_1, \dots, H_k \in \mathcal{E}$ satisfy $\mathcal{L}(H_i) \cap \mathcal{L}(H_j) = \emptyset$ for any i, j , then $H = H_1 \cup \dots \cup H_k$ is not irreducible. (We note that this terminology differs slightly from that of [5], in which an *s-family* was required to be a *maximal* family satisfying (a) and (b).)

Now let G_0 be a connected Feynman graph with n vertices. For each line ℓ of G_0 we introduce a complex parameter λ_ℓ and a new pro-

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$$\tilde{\Delta}_\ell(\lambda_\ell)(p) = Z_\ell(p)(p^2 - m^2 + i0)^{-\lambda_\ell}.$$

The *generalized Feynman amplitude* for G_0 is the distribution $\mathcal{T}_{G_0}(\lambda) \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^{4n})$, depending meromorphically on λ , which for sufficiently large $\text{Re } \lambda_\ell$ is given by

$$\mathcal{T}_{G_0}(\lambda) = \prod_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}(G_0)} \Delta_\ell(\lambda_\ell)(x_{f_\ell} - x_{i_\ell}),$$

with V_{i_ℓ}, V_{f_ℓ} the initial and final vertices of ℓ in G_0 . Thus $\mathcal{T}_{G_0}(\lambda)$ is formally equal to the usual Feynman amplitude for $\lambda = \lambda_0 = (1, 1, \dots, 1)$. The analytic structure of $\mathcal{T}_{G_0}(\lambda)$ may be described as follows: there is a (nonunique) decomposition

$$\mathcal{T}_{G_0}(\lambda) = \sum_{\mathcal{E}} \mathcal{T}_{G_0}(\lambda, \mathcal{E}), \quad (2.1)$$

the sum taken over all maximal s -families for G_0 , such that $\mathcal{T}_{G_0}(\lambda, \mathcal{E})$ is regular except for simple poles on the varieties

$$\sum_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}(G)} (\lambda_\ell - 1) = \left\lfloor \frac{\mu(G)}{2} \right\rfloor - k, \quad (2.2)$$

with $G \in \mathcal{E}$ and k a non-negative integer.

In particular, if the superficial divergence of any subgraph is positive, \mathcal{T}_{G_0} will be singular at λ_0 . The extraction of an appropriate finite part at this singular point is called analytic renormalization. This is done using a *generalized evaluator*:

Definition 2.3. Let $j(\lambda) = \prod_{\mathcal{X}} \left[\sum_{\ell \in \mathcal{X}} (\lambda_\ell - 1) \right]$, the product taken over all non-empty $\mathcal{X} \in \mathcal{L}$. For $\varepsilon > 0$, define $U_\varepsilon = \{\lambda \mid |\lambda_\ell - 1| < \varepsilon, \ell \in \mathcal{L}\}$, and $\mathcal{A}_\varepsilon = \{f(\lambda) \mid f(\lambda)j(\lambda) \text{ is analytic in } U_\varepsilon\}$. \mathcal{A}_ε is topologized by uniform convergence, on compact subsets of U_ε , of the products $j(\lambda)f(\lambda)$, $f \in \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon$. Let $\mathcal{A} = \bigcup_{\varepsilon > 0} \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon$. Then a map $\mathcal{W}: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a *generalized evaluator* if the

following conditions are satisfied:

(W 1) \mathcal{W} is linear;

(W 2) if $f \in \mathcal{A}$ is analytic at λ_0 , then $\mathcal{W}f = f(\lambda_0)$;

(W 3) for any $\varepsilon > 0$, \mathcal{W} is continuous on \mathcal{A}_ε ;

(W 4) if s is any permutation of \mathcal{L} , and if for $f \in \mathcal{A}$, $f_s \in \mathcal{A}$ is defined by

$$f_s(\lambda_{\ell_1}, \dots) = f(\lambda_{s(\ell_1)}, \dots), \text{ then } \mathcal{W}f_s = \mathcal{W}f;$$

(W 5) if $f_1, f_2 \in \mathcal{A}$ depend only on $\{\lambda_\ell \mid \ell \in \mathcal{L}_1\}$ and $\{\lambda_\ell \mid \ell \in \mathcal{L}_2\}$, respectively, with $\mathcal{L}_1 \cap \mathcal{L}_2 = \emptyset$, then $\mathcal{W}(f_1 f_2) = \mathcal{W}f_1 \mathcal{W}f_2$.

Now if $T(\lambda)$ is a distribution such that $T(\lambda)(\psi)$ is in \mathcal{A} , for any test function ψ , we may define a distribution $\mathcal{W}T$ by $\mathcal{W}T(\psi) = \mathcal{W}(T(\psi))$. This justifies

Definition 2.4. For any generalized evaluator \mathcal{W} , the distribution $\mathcal{W} \mathcal{T}_{G_0} \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^{4n})$ is called an analytically renormalized Feynman amplitude for G_0 .

For a discussion of additive renormalization we must recall some additional terminology. A *generalized vertex* is a non-empty subset $\{V'_1, \dots, V'_m\}$ of the vertices of G_0 ; the graph $G(V'_1, \dots, V'_m)$ is the subgraph of G_0 consisting of all lines joining any pair of vertices in the subset. A *vertex part* for $\{V'_1, \dots, V'_m\}$ is a distribution $\mathcal{X}(\lambda; V'_1, \dots, V'_m)$, depending only on $\{\lambda_\ell | \ell \in \mathcal{L}(G(V'_1, \dots, V'_m))\}$, and having the form

$$\tilde{\mathcal{X}}(\lambda; V'_1, \dots, V'_m) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } m=1; \\ 0, & \text{if } G(V'_1, \dots, V'_m) \text{ is not IPI}; \\ \delta\left(\sum_1^m p'_i\right) P(\lambda; p'_1, \dots, p'_m) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Here $P(\lambda; p'_1, \dots, p'_m)$ is a polynomial in the p'_i of degree at most $\mu(G(V'_1, \dots, V'_m))$; we will assume that for fixed p'_i , $P \in \mathcal{A}$. An IPI graph is one which is connected and cannot be disconnected by the removal of one line.

Now suppose that we have assigned a vertex part \mathcal{X} to each generalized vertex. Let P be a partition of $\{V_1, \dots, V_n\}$ into k generalized vertices $\{V_{i,1}^P, \dots, V_{i,m(i)}^P\}$, $i=1, \dots, k$. We may define the amplitude $\mathcal{T}_{P,\mathcal{X}}(\lambda)$ to be given, for $\text{Re } \lambda_\ell$ sufficiently large, by

$$\mathcal{T}_{P,\mathcal{X}}(\lambda) = \prod_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}'} \Delta_\ell(\lambda_\ell) (x_{f_\ell} - x_{i_\ell}) \prod_{i=1}^k \mathcal{X}(\lambda; V_{i,1}^P, \dots);$$

and for other values of λ by analytic continuation.

$$\left(\text{Here } \mathcal{L}' = \mathcal{L} - \bigcup_{i=1}^k \mathcal{L}(G(V_{i,1}^P, \dots)) \right).$$

Definition 2.5. A distribution $T \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^{4n})$ is an additively renormalized Feynman amplitude for G_0 if there exists a set of vertex parts $\mathcal{X}(\lambda)$ such that

$$T = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \lambda_0} \sum_P \mathcal{T}_{P,\mathcal{X}}(\lambda)$$

the sum taken over all partitions of $\{V_1, \dots, V_n\}$.

In Section 4 we will show that every analytically renormalized amplitude for G_0 is an additively renormalized amplitude. We note that, once the existence of the vertex part \mathcal{X} has been established, we may in the additive formalism set all λ_ℓ equal to some complex variable λ ; this is more convenient for the introduction of counterterms in the Lagrangian (see [6]).

§ 3. Analytic Decomposition

Take $M > 0$, and let Ω denote the index set $\{1, \dots, M\}$. A family \mathcal{E} of non-empty subsets of Ω is called an *s-family* if (a) $\chi_1, \chi_2 \in \mathcal{E}$ implies that either $\chi_1 \subset \chi_2$, $\chi_2 \subset \chi_1$, or $\chi_1 \cap \chi_2 = \emptyset$, and (b) for any $\chi \in \mathcal{E}$,

$$\chi \neq \bigcup_{\chi' \in \mathcal{E}, \chi' \not\subseteq \chi} \chi'. \quad (3.1)$$

Let \mathcal{E} be an *s-family*. We let $\bar{\mathcal{E}} = \bigcup_{\chi \in \mathcal{E}} \chi$. \mathcal{E} is *discrete* if all elements of \mathcal{E} are pairwise disjoint. For any $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{E}$, $\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{F})$ is the subfamily of \mathcal{E} consisting of all sets which are *proper* subsets of some element of \mathcal{F} ; for $\chi \in \mathcal{E}$ we write $\mathcal{E}(\chi)$, etc., instead of $\mathcal{E}(\{\chi\})$.

We will consider functions defined on $\mathbf{C}^\Omega (= \mathbf{C}^M)$. For $\chi \subset \Omega$ there is a natural decomposition $\mathbf{C}^\Omega = \mathbf{C}^\chi \oplus \mathbf{C}^{\Omega - \chi}$, and we write correspondingly $\lambda = \lambda^\chi \oplus \lambda^{\Omega - \chi}$ for any $\lambda \in \mathbf{C}^\Omega$. As usual, $\lambda_0 \in \mathbf{C}^\Omega$ is the point $(1, \dots, 1)$. For $\chi \subset \Omega$ we write $A(\chi) = \sum_{i \in \chi} (\lambda_i - 1)$; for any *s-family* \mathcal{E} , $A(\mathcal{E}) = \prod_{\chi \in \mathcal{E}} A(\chi)$.

We now introduce a new class of operators closely related to generalized evaluators.

Definition 3.2. Let $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon$ be as in Def. 2.3 (with \mathcal{L} replaced by Ω). $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{A}$ is the subspace of all functions f having a (not necessarily unique) decomposition

$$f(\lambda) = \sum_{\mathcal{E}} f(\lambda, \mathcal{E}), \quad (3.3)$$

the sum taken over all *s-families* \mathcal{E} , with $A(\mathcal{E})f(\lambda, \mathcal{E})$ analytic at λ_0 . $\mathcal{B}_0 \subset \mathcal{B}$ consists of all f which are analytic at λ_0 . An *analytic evaluator* is a map $\mathcal{V} : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_0$ such that:

- (V 1) \mathcal{V} is linear;
- (V 2) if f is in \mathcal{B}_0 , $\mathcal{V}f = f$;
- (V 3) for any $\varepsilon > 0$, \mathcal{V} is continuous on $\mathcal{B} \cap \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon$;
- (V 4) if s is any permutation on Ω , $\mathcal{V}f_s = (\mathcal{V}f)_s$;
- (V 5) if $f_1, f_2 \in \mathcal{B}$ depend on disjoint sets of λ 's, then $\mathcal{V}(f_1 f_2) = \mathcal{V}f_1 \mathcal{V}f_2$;
- (V 6) if $f \in \mathcal{B}$ is independent of λ_i , so is $\mathcal{V}f$.

Remark 3.4. (a) If we compare Definitions 2.3 and 3.2 we see that the significant difference between analytic and generalized evaluators lies in conditions (V 2) and (W 2). If \mathcal{V} is any analytic evaluator, the operator $\mathcal{W} : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ defined by $\mathcal{W}f = \mathcal{V}f(\lambda_0)$ satisfies (W 1)–(W 5) and is thus, aside from its smaller domain of definition, a generalized evaluator. We will prove a converse of this statement in the Appendix.

(b) An example of an analytic evaluator is easily given. For $f \in \mathcal{B} \cap \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon$, choose $0 < R_1 < \dots < R_n < \varepsilon$ to satisfy $R_i > \sum_{j < i} R_j$, and let C_i be the

contour $|z-1|=R_i$ oriented counterclockwise. Then for $|\lambda_i-1|<R_1$ define

$$\mathcal{V}_0 f(\lambda) = \frac{(2\pi i)^{-M}}{M!} \sum_s \int_{C_{s(1)}} d\mu_1 \cdots \int_{C_{s(M)}} d\mu_M \frac{f(\boldsymbol{\mu})}{(\mu_1 - \lambda_1) \cdots (\mu_M - \lambda_M)},$$

the sum running over all permutations s of Ω .

An analytic evaluator \mathcal{V} may be used to remove the singularity of a function which is associated with the λ variables in a subset $\chi \subset \Omega$, by treating the other variables like constants when we apply \mathcal{V} . This is formalized in

Definition 3.5. For $\boldsymbol{\mu} \in \mathbf{C}^{\Omega-\chi}$ and $f \in \mathcal{B}$ define $f_{\boldsymbol{\mu}} \in \mathcal{B}$ by $f_{\boldsymbol{\mu}}(\lambda) = f(\lambda' \oplus \boldsymbol{\mu})$. Then $\mathcal{V}_{\chi}: \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ is defined by

$$\mathcal{V}_{\chi} f(\lambda) = (\mathcal{V} f_{\lambda^{\Omega-\chi}})(\lambda).$$

$\mathcal{V}_{\chi} f$ is regular at (generic) points of $\{\lambda | \lambda_i = 1, i \in \chi\}$; \mathcal{V}_{χ} satisfies (V 1)–(V 6) with slight modifications: in (V 4) we must assume $s(\chi) = \chi$, while in (V 2) we need only assume f regular on $\{\lambda | \lambda_i = 1, i \in \chi\}$. Note that $\mathcal{V}_{\Omega} = \mathcal{V}$, and that \mathcal{V}_{\emptyset} is the identity.

In the remainder of this section we deal with some fixed analytic evaluator \mathcal{V} .

Lemma 3.6. *Suppose $\chi \subset \Omega$, and $\psi_1, \dots, \psi_k \subset \chi$ are pairwise disjoint subsets of χ . Suppose $f \in \mathcal{B}$ is such that f is not singular on any $\{A(\chi')=0\}$ with $\chi' \subset \chi$ unless $\chi' \subset \psi_i$, for some i . Then*

$$\mathcal{V}_{\chi} f = \left[\prod_{i=1}^k \mathcal{V}_{\psi_i} \right] f, \quad (3.7)$$

and the operators \mathcal{V}_{ψ_i} commute on f .

Proof. The proof is representative of methods used to deal with analytic evaluators. Consider the function

$$g(\lambda) = \prod_{i=1}^k \prod_{\emptyset \neq \chi' \subset \psi_i} A(\psi'_i) f(\lambda).$$

If $\boldsymbol{\mu} \in \mathbf{C}^M$ is a generic point with $\mu_i = 1$ for all $i \in \chi$, g is regular at $\boldsymbol{\mu}$. By expanding g in a Taylor series at $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ we may write g , and hence f , as the sum of a series, each term of which is the product of factors depending on λ^{ψ_i} , $\lambda^{\chi - \cup \psi_i}$, and $\lambda^{\Omega-\chi}$. If f is actually such a product, (3.7) follows immediately from (V 5) and (V 6); for general f it follows from the series expansion and the continuity property (V 3).

Lemma 3.8. *Let \mathcal{E} be a fixed s -family. Then for any $f \in \mathcal{B}$, with $A(\mathcal{E}) f$ analytic at λ_0 ,*

$$\mathcal{V} f = \sum_{\mathcal{D}} \prod_{\chi \in \mathcal{D}} (\mathcal{V}_{\chi} - \mathcal{V}_{\overline{\mathcal{E}(\chi)}}) f; \quad (3.9)$$

the sum running over all discrete subfamilies $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathcal{E}$.

Proof. The proof is by straight forward rearrangement of terms in (3.9). For any $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathcal{E}$, we let $\mathcal{E}^0(\mathcal{D}) \subset \mathcal{E}$ consist of all maximal elements of $\mathcal{E}(\mathcal{D})$. If we expand the product over χ , the right hand side of (3.9) becomes

$$\sum_{\mathcal{D}} \sum_{\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{D}} (-1)^{|\mathcal{F}|} \mathcal{V}_{\overline{\mathcal{D}'}} f, \quad (3.10)$$

where we have set

$$\mathcal{D}' = \mathcal{E}^0(\mathcal{F}) \cup (\mathcal{D} - \mathcal{F}) \quad (3.11)$$

and used Lemma 3.6. \mathcal{D}' is a discrete subset of \mathcal{E} .

Now for any fixed (discrete) $\mathcal{D}' \subset \mathcal{E}$, let $\mathcal{D}'_1 = \{\chi \in \mathcal{E} \mid \mathcal{E}^0(\chi) \subset \mathcal{D}', \mathcal{E}^0(\chi) \neq \emptyset\}$, and $\mathcal{D}'_2 = \{\chi \in \mathcal{E} \mid \mathcal{E}^0(\chi) = \emptyset, \chi \notin \mathcal{D}' \cup \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{D}')\}$. Then there is a biunique correspondence between pairs $(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{F})$ occurring in (3.10) and pairs $(\mathcal{D}', \mathcal{F})$ with $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{D}'_1 \cup \mathcal{D}'_2$, given by (3.11) and, in the opposite direction, by

$$\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{F} \cup (\mathcal{D}' - \mathcal{E}^0(\mathcal{F})).$$

Thus (3.10) may be rewritten

$$\sum_{\mathcal{D}'} \mathcal{V}_{\overline{\mathcal{D}'}} \left[\sum_{\mathcal{F}} (-1)^{|\mathcal{F}|} \right] f = \sum_{\mathcal{D}'} \mathcal{V}_{\overline{\mathcal{D}'}} f,$$

where Σ' runs over those discrete $\mathcal{D}' \subset \mathcal{E}$ such that $\mathcal{D}'_1 = \mathcal{D}'_2 = \emptyset$. But the only such \mathcal{D}' consists precisely of all maximal elements of \mathcal{E} . (3.9) now follows from Lemma 3.6.

Corollary 3.12. For $f \in \mathcal{B}$, let $f = \sum_{\mathcal{E}} f(\cdot, \mathcal{E})$ be a decomposition as in (3.3). Then

$$\mathcal{V} f = \sum_{\chi \subset \Omega} \sum_{(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{D})} \prod_{\psi \in \mathcal{D}} (\mathcal{V}_{\psi} - \mathcal{V}_{\overline{\mathcal{E}(\psi)}}) f(\cdot, \mathcal{E}), \quad (3.13)$$

where the second sum is over all s -families \mathcal{E} such that for some discrete $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathcal{E}$, $\overline{\mathcal{D}} = \chi$.

Proof. Immediate.

This result motivates the basic

Definition 3.14. For any $\chi \subset \Omega$, we define $\mathcal{S}(\chi): \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ by

$$\mathcal{S}(\chi) f = \sum_{(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{D})} \prod_{\psi \in \mathcal{D}} (\mathcal{V}_{\psi} - \mathcal{V}_{\overline{\mathcal{E}(\psi)}}) f(\cdot, \mathcal{E}); \quad (3.15)$$

where $f = \Sigma f(\cdot, \mathcal{E})$ as in (3.3), and again the sum is over all \mathcal{E} such that, for some discrete $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathcal{E}$, $\overline{\mathcal{D}} = \chi$. $\mathcal{S}(\chi) f$ is called the singular part of f associated with χ . We note that $\mathcal{S}(\emptyset)$ is the identity (since, if $\chi = \emptyset$, all s -families \mathcal{E} appear in (3.15), $\mathcal{D} = \emptyset$ in each case, and the empty product is by convention 1).

Lemma 3.16. $\mathcal{S}(\chi)$ is well defined.

Proof. By Lemma 3.6, no ambiguity arises from our failure to specify the order of \mathcal{V} factors in the product in (3.15). There remains the problem that the decomposition (3.3) of f is not unique. Suppose then that we have two such decompositions

$$f(\lambda) = \Sigma f_1(\lambda, \mathcal{E}) = \Sigma f_2(\lambda, \mathcal{E}). \quad (3.17)$$

We denote the corresponding values of (3.15) by $\mathcal{S}_1(\chi)f$ and $\mathcal{S}_2(\chi)f$, respectively, and wish to show that

$$\mathcal{S}_1(\chi)f = \mathcal{S}_2(\chi)f. \quad (3.18)$$

Let $\zeta \subset \Omega$ be the smallest set such that f , $f_1(\cdot, \mathcal{E})$, and $f_2(\cdot, \mathcal{E})$ depend only on the variables λ^ζ . We prove (3.18) by induction on $|\zeta|$; the case $|\zeta| = M$ is the desired conclusion. (Note that even if $|\zeta| < M$, the sums in (3.17) may still run over all s -families.) As a preliminary remark we observe that $\mathcal{S}_i(\chi)f = 0$ unless $\chi \subset \zeta$ ($i = 1, 2$). This is because, if $\chi - \zeta \neq \emptyset$, then for any $(\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{D})$ in (3.15) there will be a $\psi \in \mathcal{D}$ with $\psi - \zeta \neq \emptyset$, and then, by Lemma 3.6, $(\mathcal{V}_\psi - \mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{E}(\psi)})f_i(\cdot, \mathcal{E}) = 0$. We may therefore assume, in what follows, that $\chi \subset \zeta$.

If $|\zeta| = 0$, i.e., $\zeta = \emptyset$, we must show that $\mathcal{S}_1(\emptyset)f = \mathcal{S}_2(\emptyset)f$; this follows from the observation above that $\mathcal{S}(\emptyset) = 1$. We now consider a general ζ . If $\chi \subsetneq \zeta$, (3.18) follows from the induction assumption. For from (3.16) (in the notation of Definition 3.5),

$$f_{\lambda^{\zeta-x}} = \Sigma f_1(\cdot, \mathcal{E})_{\lambda^{\zeta-x}} = \Sigma f_2(\cdot, \mathcal{E})_{\lambda^{\zeta-x}}$$

for any $\lambda^{\zeta-x}$. From (3.15) and Definition 3.5,

$$\mathcal{S}_i(\chi)f_{\lambda^{\zeta-x}}(\lambda) = \mathcal{S}_i(\chi)f(\lambda), \quad (i = 1, 2).$$

But by the induction assumption, $\mathcal{S}_1(\chi)f_{\lambda^{\zeta-x}} = \mathcal{S}_2(\chi)f_{\lambda^{\zeta-x}}$, and this proves (3.18). Finally, if $\chi = \zeta$, (3.18) follows from the $\chi \subsetneq \zeta$ case and Corollary 3.12, since (3.13) may be written in this case

$$\mathcal{S}_i(\zeta)f = \mathcal{V}f - \sum_{\psi \subsetneq \zeta} \mathcal{S}_i(\psi)f.$$

This completes the induction step, and proves Lemma 3.16.

Remark 3.19. For any $\chi \subset \Omega$, the operator $\mathcal{S}(\chi)$ satisfies

(a) $\mathcal{S}(\chi)f = 0$ if, for some decomposition (3.3) of f , $f(\cdot, \mathcal{E}) = 0$ whenever $\overline{\mathcal{D}} = \chi$ for some $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathcal{E}$;

(b) if $f = f_1 f_2$, with $f_i \in \mathcal{B}$ depending only on λ^{x_i} , and $\chi_1 \cap \chi_2 = \emptyset$, then

$$\mathcal{S}(\chi)f = (\mathcal{S}(\chi \cap \chi_1)f_1)(\mathcal{S}(\chi \cap \chi_2)f_2).$$

Proof. (a) is immediate from Definition 3.14; (b) similarly (using Lemma 3.6) once we observe that each f_i will have a decomposition (3.3) in which each $f_i(\cdot, \mathcal{E})$ depends only on $\lambda^{i\epsilon}$.

The main result of this section now follows immediately from (3.13).

Theorem 3.20. *For any analytic evaluator \mathcal{V} ,*

$$\mathcal{V} = \sum_{\chi \subset \Omega} \mathcal{S}(\chi). \quad (3.21)$$

We remark that (3.21) expresses the “regular part of f ”, $\mathcal{V}f$, in terms of f itself together with subtractions of various singular parts (recall $\mathcal{S}(\emptyset) = 1$). This is the natural form for renormalization theory. Of course, by transposing terms, (3.22) may be viewed as a decomposition of f into various regular and singular parts.

§ 4. Renormalization

We now return to the study of the Feynman amplitude \mathcal{T}_{G_0} . Our complex variables are labelled by $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}(G_0)$, and, as in § 2, an s -family is a family of irreducible subgraphs of G_0 . The lines of these subgraphs form an s -family in \mathcal{L} in the sense of § 3. We adapt the notation and speak of $\mathcal{S}(H)$, etc., rather than $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{L}(H))$, for H any subgraph of G_0 . We will show that (3.21), applied to \mathcal{T}_{G_0} , corresponds to an additive renormalization.

Definition 4.1. Suppose that $\{V'_1, \dots, V'_m\}$ is a generalized vertex of G_0 , with $G = G(V'_1, \dots, V'_m)$. An IPI subgraph H of G_0 is *subordinate* to G ($H < G$) if H also has vertices V'_1, \dots, V'_m (we include the possibility $H = G$). Then

$$\mathcal{X}(\lambda; V'_1, \dots, V'_m) = \sum_{H < G} \mathcal{S}(H) \mathcal{T}_G.$$

Lemma 4.2. $\mathcal{X}(\lambda; V'_1, \dots, V'_m)$ is a vertex part for $\{V'_1, \dots, V'_m\}$.

Proof. If G is not IPI, $\mathcal{X} = 0$, since there exists no H with $H < G$. Suppose then that G is IPI, with irreducible components G_1, \dots, G_k . We wish to show that for any $H < G$ and any maximal s -family \mathcal{E} of G , $\mathcal{S}(H) \mathcal{T}_G(\cdot, \mathcal{E})$ is, in momentum space, a factor $\delta(\sum p_i)$ times a polynomial in the p_i of degree $\leq \mu(G)$.

We use the explicit form of $\mathcal{T}_G(\lambda, \mathcal{E})$: from [5],

$$\mathcal{T}_G(\lambda, \mathcal{E}) = \sum_{\sigma} \mathcal{T}_G(\lambda, \mathcal{E}, \sigma),$$

the sum running over all maps $\sigma: \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(G)$ such that, for any $H \in \mathcal{E}$ and $H' \in \mathcal{E}(H)$, $\sigma(H) \in \mathcal{L}(H)$ and $\sigma(H) \notin \mathcal{L}(H')$. $\mathcal{T}_G(\lambda, \mathcal{E}, \sigma)$ is itself a

sum of terms of the form

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \delta \left(\sum_{i=1}^m p'_i \right) \int_D \dots \int \left[\prod_{H \in \mathcal{E}} t^{v_H - 1} dt_H \right] \left[\prod_{\ell \notin \sigma(\mathcal{E})} \beta^{\lambda_\ell - 1} d\beta_\ell \right] \times F(\beta, t, p', m) \exp i \left[\sum_{i,j=1}^m p_i A_{ij}(\beta, t) p_j - \sum_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}(G)} (m_\ell^2 - i\varepsilon) B_\ell(\beta, t) \right]. \quad (4.4)$$

The integration region D is $\{0 \leq t_{G_i} \leq \infty, 0 \leq t_H \leq 1 \text{ for } H \in \mathcal{E}(G_i), 0 \leq \beta_\ell \leq 1\}$. F , A_{ij} , and B_ℓ are continuous functions in D , with F a polynomial in the p'_i whose degree we denote r . For $H \in \mathcal{E}$,

$$v_H = \Lambda(H) - k_H, \quad (4.5)$$

where k_H is an integer. If $H < G$ has irreducible components H_1, \dots, H_k , then

$$2 \sum_{i=1}^k k_{H_i} \leq \mu(G) - r; \quad (4.6)$$

in addition,

$$A_{ij}(\beta, t)|_{t_{H_i}=0, i=1, \dots, k} = 0. \quad (4.7)$$

This last result is not stated explicitly in [5] but follows easily from, e.g., (3.14) of that work.

The integral (4.4) actually converges only for $v_H > 0$, but may be treated at the point λ_0 by considering each factor $t_H^{v_H - 1}$ as a distribution and using the standard analytic continuation of that distribution [9]. (This method of analytic continuation of (4.4) is that of Westwater ([6]), not that of [5].) $t_H^{v_H - 1}$ is, from (4.5), analytic at λ_0 unless $k_H \geq 0$, in which case it has near λ_0 the form

$$t_H^{v_H - 1} = \frac{\delta^{(k_H)}(t_H)}{k_H! \Lambda(H)} + (\text{regular part}). \quad (4.8)$$

Now take $H_0 < G$; we wish to apply $\mathcal{S}(H_0)$ to (4.4). By Remark 3.19 (a), this gives 0 unless \mathcal{E} contains all irreducible components $\{H_1, \dots, H_k\}$ of H_0 . Suppose that it does. If we rewrite each factor $t_H^{v_H - 1}$ in (4.4) according to (4.8), Remark 3.19 (a) implies that every term in the resulting sum is annihilated by $\mathcal{S}(H_0)$, except the one involving $\prod_{i=1}^k \delta^{(k_{H_i})}(t_{H_i})$. But, from (4.6) and (4.7), this term is already a polynomial in the p'_i of degree $\leq \mu(G)$, multiplied by $\delta(\Sigma p'_i)$. Since $\mathcal{S}(H_0)$ will preserve this form, the lemma is proved.

Now let H be a subgraph of G_0 which is the union of its irreducible components (this is not a trivial restriction on H ; it is equivalent to requiring that each connected component of H be IPI). Let H_1, \dots, H_p be the *connected* components of H , and let H_i have vertices $V'_{i1}, \dots, V'_{im(i)}$.

Then we say that H is subordinate to the partition $P(H \prec P)$ of $\{V_1, \dots, V_m\}$ into subsets $\{V'_{i1}, \dots, V'_{im(i)}\}$, $i = 1, \dots, p$, and $\{V_j\}$, $V_j \notin \{V'_{i1}, \dots, V'_{pm(p)}\}$.

Lemma 4.9. *With the above notation, and with \mathcal{X} given by Def. 4.1,*

$$\mathcal{T}_{P, \mathcal{X}}(\lambda) = \sum_{H \prec P} \mathcal{S}(H) \mathcal{T}_{G_0}(\lambda). \tag{4.10}$$

Proof. Write $G_i = G(V'_{i1}, \dots, V'_{im(i)})$; clearly $H_i \prec G_i$ for all i . According to Definitions 3.5 and 3.14, $\mathcal{S}(H) \mathcal{T}_{G_0}$ is calculated by holding all λ_ℓ constant for $\ell \in \mathcal{L}' = \mathcal{L} - \bigcup_1^p \mathcal{L}(G_i)$. We may choose these constants to have large real part, in which case \mathcal{T}_{G_0} is a product

$$\mathcal{T}_{G_0} = \prod_{\mathcal{L}'} \Delta_\ell \prod_{i=1}^p \mathcal{T}_{G_i}.$$

Then from Remark 3.19 (b),

$$\mathcal{S}(H) \mathcal{T}_{G_0} = \prod_{\mathcal{L}'} \Delta_\ell \prod_{i=1}^p \mathcal{S}(H_i) \mathcal{T}_{G_i}.$$

Summing over $H \prec P$ gives (4.10).

We note that if some connected component of H is not IPI, then $\mathcal{S}(H) \mathcal{T}_{G_0} = 0$, by Remark 3.19 (a).

We may now state the main theorem.

Theorem 4.11. *Any analytic renormalization is an additive renormalization.*

Proof. The analytically renormalized amplitude is $\mathcal{W} \mathcal{T}_{G_0}$, for some generalized evaluator \mathcal{W} . By Theorem A.5 (or by Remark 3.4 (b), if \mathcal{W} is the standard generalized evaluator) there exists an analytic evaluator \mathcal{V} with $\mathcal{W} f = (\mathcal{V} f)(\lambda_0)$. Construct vertex parts \mathcal{X} from \mathcal{V} using Definition 4.1. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{W} \mathcal{T}_{G_0} &= (\mathcal{V} \mathcal{T}_{G_0})(\lambda_0) \\ &= \left[\sum_H \mathcal{S}(H) \mathcal{T}_{G_0} \right](\lambda_0) \\ &= \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \lambda_0} \sum_P \mathcal{T}_{P, \mathcal{X}}(\lambda), \end{aligned}$$

where we have use Theorem 3.20 and Lemma 4.9. This completes the proof.

Appendix

In this appendix we state and prove the converse of the relation between generalized and analytic evaluators noted in Remark 3.4 (a). The proof is quite similar to standard proofs of the equivalence of

analytic renormalization with other schemes (see, e.g., [5, 6, 8]). We use the notation of § 3.

Lemma A.1. *Take $\chi \subset \Omega$ and $f \in \mathcal{B}$. Suppose that the variety $\{A(\psi)=0\}$ is a singularity of $\mathcal{S}(\chi)f$. Then necessarily either (i) $\psi \subset \chi$, or (ii) $\psi \cap \chi = \emptyset$.*

Proof. Let $f(\cdot, \mathcal{E})$ be a term in the decomposition (3.3) of f , with $\overline{\mathcal{D}} = \chi$ for some discrete $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathcal{E}$. Any $\zeta \in \mathcal{E}$ satisfies either (a) $\zeta \subset \chi$, or (b) $\zeta \cap \chi = \overline{\mathcal{F}}$, for some $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{D}$, and $\zeta \neq \overline{\mathcal{F}}$. Let

$$f(\lambda, \mathcal{E}) = g(\lambda, \mathcal{E})/A(\mathcal{E}). \quad (\text{A.2})$$

For each $\zeta \in \mathcal{E}$ of type (b) above, write

$$\frac{1}{A(\zeta)} = \frac{1}{A(\zeta - \overline{\mathcal{F}})} - \sum_{\psi \in \mathcal{F}} \frac{A(\psi)}{A(\zeta)A(\zeta - \overline{\mathcal{F}})}, \quad (\text{A.3})$$

and insert (A.3) into (A.2). When $\mathcal{S}(\chi)$ is applied to the result, Remark 3.19 (a) shows that all terms except the first are annihilated. Thus (using Remark 3.19 (b))

$$\mathcal{S}(\chi)f = \sum_{\mathcal{E}} \left[\prod \frac{1}{A(\zeta - \overline{\mathcal{F}})} \right] \mathcal{S}(\chi) \left[\frac{g(\cdot, \mathcal{E})}{A(\mathcal{D} \cup \mathcal{E}(\mathcal{D}))} \right]. \quad (\text{A.4})$$

Definition 3.14 immediately shows that, aside from the $A(\zeta - \overline{\mathcal{F}})$ singularities explicitly displayed, (A.4) can contain only singularities $\{A(\psi)=0\}$, $\psi \subset \chi$. This completes the proof.

We now give the main theorem.

Theorem A.5. *Let \mathcal{W} be a generalized evaluator. Then there exists an analytic evaluator \mathcal{V} such that, for $f \in \mathcal{B}$, $\mathcal{W}f = \mathcal{V}f(\lambda_0)$.*

Proof. We use the analytic evaluator \mathcal{V}_0 constructed explicitly in Remark 3.4 (b), and denote singular parts defined with it by \mathcal{S}_0 . We also note that we may define operators \mathcal{W}_χ , for $\chi \subset \Omega$, exactly as we defined operators \mathcal{V}_χ in Definition 3.5. For example, $\mathcal{W}_\chi f$ is independent of λ^χ , for any $f \in \mathcal{B}$.

We now define \mathcal{V} by

$$\mathcal{V} = \sum_{k=0}^M \sum_{\chi_1, \dots, \chi_k} (-1)^k \mathcal{V}_{0, \Omega - \cup \chi_i} \mathcal{W}_{\chi_k} \mathcal{S}_0(\chi_k) \mathcal{W}_{\chi_{k-1}} \dots \mathcal{W}_{\chi_1} \mathcal{S}_0(\chi_1). \quad (\text{A.6})$$

Here the sum is over all (ordered) k -tuples χ_1, \dots, χ_k of non-empty, pairwise disjoint subsets of Ω . The $k=0$ term of (A.6) is understood to be simply \mathcal{V}_0 . We claim that \mathcal{V} is an analytic evaluator.

First note that, for $f \in \mathcal{B}$, $\mathcal{V}f$ is analytic at λ_0 . This is because (V 6) (applied to \mathcal{V}_0) shows that $\mathcal{W}_{\chi_k} \mathcal{S}_0(\chi_k) \dots \mathcal{S}_0(\chi_1)f$ is independent of $\lambda^{\cup \chi_i}$, and the factor $\mathcal{V}_{0, \Omega - \cup \chi_i}$ then yields a regular function. Also, \mathcal{V} clearly satisfies (V 1)–(V 4) and (V 6), so there remains to verify only

(V 5). Suppose then that $f', f'' \in \mathcal{B}$ depend only on $\lambda^{\psi'}$, $\lambda^{\psi''}$ respectively, with $\psi' \cap \psi'' = \emptyset$. We apply \mathcal{V} to $f' f''$. By Remark 3.19 (b) and Lemma 3.6 (which applies to \mathcal{W} just as to \mathcal{V}_0),

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{V}(f' f'') &= \sum_{k=0}^M \sum_{\chi_1, \dots, \chi_k} (-)^k \{ \mathcal{V}_{0, \psi' \cup \chi_i} \mathcal{W}_{\chi_k} \dots \mathcal{S}_0(\chi_1) f' \} \\ &\quad \times \{ \mathcal{V}_{0, \psi'' \cup \chi'_i} \mathcal{W}_{\chi'_k} \dots f'' \} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.7})$$

where $\chi'_i = \chi_i \cap \psi'$, $\chi''_i = \chi_i \cap \psi''$. Now let $(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_p)$ and $(\zeta''_1, \dots, \zeta''_q)$ be the sequences $(\chi'_1, \dots, \chi'_k)$ and $(\chi''_1, \dots, \chi''_k)$ with all occurrences of the empty set deleted. Since $\mathcal{S}(\emptyset) = \mathcal{W}_{\emptyset} = 1$,

$$\mathcal{V}_{0, \psi' \cup \chi_i} \mathcal{W}_{\chi_k} \dots \mathcal{S}_0(\chi_1) f' = \mathcal{V}_{0, \psi' \cup \zeta'_i} \mathcal{W}_{\zeta'_p} \dots \mathcal{S}_0(\zeta'_1) f', \quad (\text{A.8})$$

and similarly for f'' (again, the right hand side of (A.8) is $\mathcal{V}_{0, \psi'} f'$ when $p=0$, i.e., when $\chi'_i = \emptyset$ for all i). We wish to rewrite (A.7) as a sum over p, q, ζ'_i , and ζ''_i . A fixed $(\zeta'_1, \dots, \zeta'_p)$ and $(\zeta''_1, \dots, \zeta''_q)$ may come from many different (χ_1, \dots, χ_k) terms in (A.7), but (because $\chi_i \neq \emptyset$) it is easy to see that k must satisfy $p+q \geq k \geq \max(p, q)$, and that, for each such k , there are $\binom{k}{p} \binom{p}{p+q-k}$ such terms. Using

$$\sum_{k=\max(p,q)}^{p+q} (-)^k \binom{k}{p} \binom{p}{p+q-k} = (-)^{p+q}, \quad (\text{A.9})$$

the desired factorization follows immediately.

Eq. (A.9) itself may be derived by considering the coefficient of $x^p y^q$ in the equation

$$\sum_{k,p,q=0}^{\infty} (-)^k \binom{k}{p} \binom{p}{p+q-k} x^p y^q = \frac{1}{(1+x)(1+y)},$$

obtained by summing first over q , then p , then k .

There remains only to verify that $\mathcal{V} f(\lambda_0) = \mathcal{W} f$. We expand each \mathcal{V}_0 operator in (A.6) according to Theorem 3.20. After rearrangement, (A.6) becomes

$$\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{S}_0(\emptyset) + \sum_{k=1}^M \sum_{\chi_1, \dots, \chi_k} (-)^{k+1} (1 - \mathcal{W}_{\chi_k}) \mathcal{S}_0(\chi_k) \mathcal{W}_{\chi_{k-1}} \dots \mathcal{W}_{\chi_1} \mathcal{S}_0(\chi_1); \quad (\text{A.10})$$

χ_1, \dots, χ_k are as in (A.6). We apply \mathcal{W} to (A.10). From Lemma 3.6 (applied to \mathcal{W}) and Lemma A.1,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{W} [(1 - \mathcal{W}_{\chi_k}) \mathcal{S}_0(\chi_k) \mathcal{W}_{\chi_{k-1}} \dots \mathcal{S}_0(\chi_1)] \\ = \mathcal{W}_{\chi_k} \mathcal{W}_{\Omega \cup \chi_i} [(1 - \mathcal{W}_{\chi_k}) \mathcal{S}_0(\chi_k) \mathcal{W}_{\chi_{k-1}} \dots \mathcal{S}_0(\chi_1)], \end{aligned}$$

and this vanishes because $\mathcal{W}_{x_k}(1 - \mathcal{W}_{x_k}) = 0$. Thus $\mathcal{W}\mathcal{V} = \mathcal{W}\mathcal{S}_0(\emptyset) = \mathcal{W}$. But since, for $f \in \mathcal{B}$, $\mathcal{V}f$ is analytic at λ_0 , $\mathcal{W}\mathcal{V}f = \mathcal{V}f(\lambda_0)$. This completes the proof.

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