Nonequilibrium dynamics of Φ^4 theory in the two-particle point-irreducible formalism

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1. Introduction

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Applications of nonequilibrium quantum field theory: from (p)reheating during cosmic inflation to relativistic heavy ion collisions

Leading order approximations (with self-

• consistent resummation of diagrams) \rightarrow large-N and Hartree approximation



- Simulations beyond the leading orders in 1+1 dimensions:
 - testing ground (renormalization easy, numerical simulations less involved)
 - Hartree approximation gives a first order phase transition \rightarrow in contrast to the expectation of the absence of spontaneous symmetry breaking
 - Hartree approximation displays (almost) no dissipative behavior for the classical field \rightarrow inflaton needs **dissipative dynamics**

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Action for the Φ^4 model:

$$S[\Phi] = \int d^D x \left[\frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \Phi(x) \partial^\mu \Phi(x) - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \Phi^2(x) - \frac{\lambda}{4!} \Phi^4(x) \right]$$
(1)



Hu, Phys. Rev. **D37** 2878 (1988)

Approximation schemes

An approximation scheme for QFT out of thermal equilibrium has to be at least:

- non-perturbative (→ **resumming** perturbative diagrams)
- energy conserving (\rightarrow variational principle)
- **renormalizable** (\rightarrow compare to the equilibrium case)

<u>A reasonable choice</u>: the **two-particle irreducible** (2PI) effective action or Cornwall-Jackiw-Tomboulis (CJT) action! \rightarrow resummation of 2PI graphs. J. M. Cornwall, R. Jackiw, E. Tomboulis, Phys. Rev. **D10**, 2428 (1974) 2. Nonequilibrium quantum field theory

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Effective action from a Legendre transformation of $-i \ln Z[J, K]$ with sources J(x) and K(x, y)

$$\Gamma[\phi, G] = S[\phi] + \frac{i}{2} \operatorname{Tr} \ln G^{-1} + \frac{i}{2} \operatorname{Tr} (D^{-1}G) + \Gamma^{2\mathrm{PI}}[\phi, G] \qquad (2)$$
$$iD^{-1}(x, y) = \frac{\delta^2 S[\phi]}{\delta \phi(x) \delta \phi(y)} . \qquad (3)$$

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The 2PI effective action

Equations of motion for the variational parameters ϕ and ${\cal G}$

$$\frac{\delta\Gamma[\phi,G]}{\delta\phi} = 0 \quad ; \quad \frac{\delta\Gamma[\phi,G]}{\delta G} = 0 \Rightarrow G^{-1} = D^{-1}[\phi] - \underbrace{2i\frac{\delta\Gamma^{2\mathrm{PI}}[\phi,G]}{\delta G}}_{\Sigma[\phi,G]} \quad (4)$$

Remarks:

- the Schwinger-Dyson equation $G^{-1} = D^{-1}[\phi] \Sigma[\phi, G]$ resums 2PI graphs
- for the nonequilibrium case the Schwinger-Dyson equation is a partial integrodifferential equation → solution in general numerically involved
- reproduces the Hartree (large-N) approximation if only (parts of) ↓ is included → leading order
- renormalization beyond the leading orders?

• 3. The two-particle point-irreducible (2PPI) formalism •

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M. Coppens, H. Verschelde, Z. Phys. **C58**, 319 (1993)

Idea: local sources $(K(x, y) \rightarrow K(x)\delta(x - y))$ for the 2PI effective action \rightarrow 2PPI effective action.

$$\Gamma[\phi, \mathcal{M}^2] = \int d^D x \left[\frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi(x) \partial^\mu \phi(x) - \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{M}^2(x) \phi^2(x) + \frac{\lambda}{12} \phi^4(x) + \frac{1}{2\lambda} \left(\mathcal{M}^2(x) - \mu^2 \right)^2 \right] + \Gamma^{2\text{PPI}}[\phi, \mathcal{M}^2]$$
(5)

Equations of motion:

$$\frac{\delta\Gamma[\phi, \mathcal{M}^2]}{\delta\mathcal{M}^2} = 0 \qquad ; \qquad \frac{\delta\Gamma[\phi, \mathcal{M}^2]}{\delta\phi} = 0 \tag{6}$$

Effective action

Sum over all 2PPI diagrams:



Gap equation (Schwinger-Dyson equation) from $\frac{\delta\Gamma}{\delta\mathcal{M}^2} = 0$:

$$\mathcal{M}^{2}(t) = m^{2} + \frac{\lambda}{2}\phi^{2}(t) + \frac{\lambda}{2}\Delta(t)$$
(7)

$$\Delta(t) := -2 \frac{\delta \Gamma^{2\text{PPI}}[\phi, \mathcal{M}^2]}{\delta \mathcal{M}^2(t)}$$
(8)

Green's function (local equation):

$$G^{-1}(x,x') = i \left[\Box + \mathcal{M}^2(x)\right] \delta^D(x-x')$$
(9)

In momentum space factorization in mode functions

$$G_{>}(t,t';\mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{2\omega_{p}}(2n_{p}+1)f(t;\mathbf{p})f^{*}(t';\mathbf{p})$$
(10)

$$0 = \ddot{f}(t;\mathbf{p}) + \left[\mathbf{p}^2 + \mathcal{M}^2(t)\right] f(t;\mathbf{p}) , \qquad (11)$$

with $\omega_p = \sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 + \mathcal{M}^2(0)}$. \rightarrow The Green's function *G* is no variational parameter of the theory. The variational parameters are ϕ and \mathcal{M}^2 !

Equations of motion in the two-loop approximation

Two-loop approximation: $\Gamma^{\rm 2PPI} = \Gamma^{(1)} + \Gamma^{(2)}$ with

$$\Gamma^{(1)}[\mathcal{M}^2] = \frac{i}{2} \operatorname{Tr} \ln[G^{-1}(\mathcal{M}^2)] \qquad (12)$$

$$\Gamma^{(2)}[\phi, \mathcal{M}^2] = i \frac{\lambda^2}{12} \int d^{D-1}x \, d^{D-1}x' \int_{\mathrm{CTP}} dt \, dt' \qquad (13)$$

$$\times \phi(t)\phi(t')G^3(t, t'; \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')$$

One-loop part of Δ :

$$\Delta^{(1)}(t) = -2 \frac{\delta \Gamma^{(1)}[\phi, \mathcal{M}^2]}{\delta \mathcal{M}^2(t)} = \int \frac{d^{D-1}p}{(2\pi)^{D-1}} G_>(t, t; \mathbf{p})$$
(14)

Equations of motion in the two-loop approximation

Specialize to 1+1 **dimensions...** \rightarrow renormalization:

$$m^2 \rightarrow m^2 + \delta m^2$$
 (15)

$$\Rightarrow \delta m^2 + \frac{\lambda}{2} \Delta^{(1)}(t) = \frac{\lambda}{8\pi} \ln \frac{|m^2|}{m_0^2} + \Delta^{(1)}_{\text{fin}}(t)$$
(16)

Finite one-loop part:

$$\Delta_{\text{fin}}^{(1)}(t) = \int \frac{dp}{2\pi} \left[G_{>}(t,t;p) - \frac{1}{2\omega_p} \right] = \int \frac{dp}{2\pi 2\omega_p} \left[(2n_p + 1) |f(t,p)|^2 - 1 \right]$$
(17)

Two-loop contributions:

$$\mathcal{S}(t) = -\frac{\delta\Gamma^{(2)}[\phi, \mathcal{M}^2]}{\delta\phi(t)} \qquad ; \qquad \Delta^{(2)}(t) = -2\frac{\delta\Gamma^{(2)}[\phi, \mathcal{M}^2]}{\delta\mathcal{M}^2(t)} \tag{18}$$

Equations of motion in the two-loop approximation

$$S(t) = -i\frac{\lambda^{2}}{6}\int_{0}^{t} dt'\phi(t')\int\prod_{\ell=1}^{3}\left(\frac{dp_{\ell}}{2\pi}\right)2\pi\delta\left(\sum_{\ell=1}^{3}p_{\ell}\right) \\ \times\left[\prod_{\ell=1}^{3}G_{>}(t,t';p_{\ell})-\prod_{\ell=1}^{3}G_{>}(t',t;p_{\ell})\right]$$
(19)

and

$$\Delta^{(2)}(t) = -\lambda^{2} \int_{0}^{t} dt' \phi(t') \int_{0}^{t'} dt'' \phi(t'') \int \prod_{\ell=1}^{3} \left(\frac{dp_{\ell}}{2\pi}\right) 2\pi \delta\left(\sum_{\ell=1}^{3} p_{\ell}\right)$$

$$\times [G_{>}(t,t';p_{3}) - G_{>}(t',t;p_{3})]$$

$$\times [G_{>}(t',t'';p_{1})G_{>}(t',t'';p_{2})G_{>}(t,t'';p_{3})]$$

$$-G_{>}(t'',t';p_{1})G_{>}(t'',t';p_{2})G_{>}(t'',t;p_{3})] .$$
(20)

Equations of motion in the two-loop approximation

Equations of motion

$$0 = \ddot{\phi}(t) + \mathcal{M}^2(t)\phi(t) - \frac{\lambda}{3}\phi^3(t) + \mathcal{S}(t)$$
(21)

$$\mathcal{M}^{2}(t) = m^{2} + \frac{\lambda}{2} \left(\phi^{2}(t) + \Delta^{(1)}(t) + \Delta^{(2)}(t) \right) .$$
 (22)

Remarks:

- the selfenergy is local \rightarrow local mass term \mathcal{M}^2
- G can be factorized in mode functions → the equations of motion are ordinary differential equations
- there are memory effects (\rightarrow time integrations over the past of ϕ and G)
- there is re-scattering of the quanta (\rightarrow two momentum integrations)
- less powerful in resumming diagrams (compared to the 2PI effective action)
- the problem of renormalization in 3 + 1 dimensions has been solved in equilibrium QFT [explicit two-loop calculation at finite temperature: G. Smet et al., Phys. Rev. **D65** 045015 (2002)]

Initial conditions

- \bullet Gaussian initial density matrix \rightarrow Fock space
 - nonzero value $\phi(0)$ for the mean field

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$$f(0,p) = 1$$
, $\dot{f}(0,p) = -i\omega_p$

– initial ensemble n_p for the quanta \rightarrow Bogoliubov rotated Fock space





Numerical simulations

• 4. Numerical simulations in the two-loop approximation •

Numerical implementation:

- Runge-Kutta algorithm for the integration of the differential equations with stepsize $\Delta t=0.001-0.005$
- Momentum discretization with $p_{\rm max} = 15$ —20 and $dp \le 0.05$
- Energy conserved to at least five significant digits
- Wronskians constant with a relative precision of 10^{-8}
- \rightarrow Results compared to the **Hartree** approximation (one-loop 2PPI)

Parameters: Distribution function (Bose-Einstein) for the quanta at t = 0

$$n_p = \frac{1}{e^{\omega_p/T_0} - 1}$$
(23)

Set	Potential	Initial conditions		λ	m^2
		$\phi(0)$	T_0		
0	symmetric 🔾	1.2	0	6	+1
1	double well \searrow	1.4	0	1	-1/6
2	double well \searrow	1.2	0	1	-1/6
3	double well \searrow	0.4	0.1	21.9	-1

Numerical simulations



Symmetric potential

Parameters: $\phi(0) = 1.2, T_0 = 0$ $\lambda = 6, m^2 = 1$ Effective mass $\mathcal{M}^2(t)$ (left); Energy contributions with $E_{\text{cla}} = \frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2 + \frac{1}{2}(m^2 + \delta m_{\text{fin}}^2)\phi^2 + \frac{\lambda}{4!}\phi^4$ (right)



Numerical simulations

Double well potential

Double well potential: parameter set 1: near the critical value $\phi(0) < \sqrt{2}$





Numerical simulations

Double well potential





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Numerical simulations parameter set 3: a large coupling constant



Summary

• 5. Summary and Outlook •

Summary:

- We have presented the **generalization** of the **2PPI** scheme to **nonequilibrium** quantum field theory
- \bullet Compared to other methods computationally less involved framework for simulations beyond the large-N or Hartree approximation
- Numerical simulations in 1+1 dimensions in the two-loop approximation displayed:
 - the **absence of symmetry breaking** as expected from the exact theory
 - normal dissipative dynamics for the mean field ϕ
 - this both cures (some) obvious deficits of the Hartree (and large-N) approximation

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Outlook

Outlook:

- Extension of the presented formalism to 3+1 dimensions as well as to O(N) models
 → the techniques for the separation of the divergent parts are available
- Application of the formalism to hybrid potentials with additional scalar fields → scenario for the (p)reheating stage of cosmic inflation

