

## Pole Masses from the Effective Potential

Pole mass defined by location of pole in propagator:  $(\hat{\Phi} = v_0 + \hat{h})$

$$G_h^{-1}(p, -p)_{\text{conn.}} = p^2 - m_{\text{MS}}^2 - \Sigma(p^2) \equiv \langle 0 | T(\hat{h} \hat{h}) | 0 \rangle$$

$$0 = M_{\text{pole}}^2 - m_{\text{MS}}^2 - \Sigma(p^2 = M_{\text{pole}}^2) \quad (*)$$

Can define another mass from the effective potential (really, this just the curvature of  $V_{\text{eff}}$  at its minimum):

$$m_V^2 = \frac{\partial^2 V_{\text{eff}}}{\partial \Phi^2} \Big|_{\Phi=v_0} = \frac{\partial^2 V_{\text{eff}}}{\partial h^2} \Big|_{h=0} = -\Gamma_h^{[2]}(p=0)$$

↑ "potential"
↑ tree-level!

$$\left[ \text{recall } \Gamma_h^{[2]}(p=0) = G_h^{-1}(p=0)_{\text{conn.}} \right]$$

So,

$$m_V^2 = -G_h^{-1}(p=0)_{\text{conn.}} = -(-m_{\text{MS}}^2 - \Sigma(p^2=0)) \leftarrow \text{ren. scale indep. (since Green functions are scale indep.)}$$

$$\Rightarrow m_{\text{MS}}^2 = m_V^2 - \Sigma(p^2=0)$$

Plug this into (\*), eliminating  $m_{\text{MS}}^2$ :

$$0 = M_{\text{pole}}^2 - m_V^2 - \left( \Sigma(p^2 = M_{\text{pole}}^2) - \Sigma(p^2 = 0) \right)$$

The advantage of obtaining the pole masses this way is that all momentum-independent diagrams (except tadpoles) that contribute to  $\Sigma(p^2)$  are included in the calculation for  $V_{\text{eff}}$ . Only a subset of diagrams need to be calculated.



included in  $V_{\text{eff}}$



Need to be calculated

$$[\Delta \Sigma = \Sigma(p^2) - \Sigma(p^2=0)]$$

$$= \Sigma(p^2)$$