Anomalous scaling at the quantum critical point in itinerant antiferromagnets ARTEM ABANOV, Los Alamos National Laboratory, ANDREY CHUBUKOV — We show that Hertz $\phi^4$ theory of quantum criticality is incomplete as it misses anomalous non-local contributions to the interaction vertices. For antiferromagnetic quantum transitions, we found that the theory is renormalizable only if the dynamical exponent $z = 2$. The upper critical dimension is still $d = 4 - z = 2$, however the number of marginal vertices at $d = 2$ is infinite. As a result, the theory has a finite anomalous exponent already at the upper critical dimension. We show that for $d < 2$ the Gaussian fixed point splits into two non-Gaussian fixed points. For both fixed points, the dynamical exponent remains $z = 2$. 

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