

Elements of Quantum Field Theory

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Goal of the course: Bird's eye view of quantum field theory, until Feynman's rule

Why classical field theory:

No action at a distance in special relativity \implies retardation \implies dynamical degrees of freedom in space

Why quantum field theory:

1. Number of particles is a dynamical degree of freedom:

- relativistic pair creation or annihilation
- excitations of ion lattice

\implies Schrödinger's equation, $i\hbar\partial_t\psi(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N) = H\psi(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N)$, is not sufficient

2. The particle number is ill defined in bound states

- non-relativistic physics:
 - bound states need infinitely high order of the perturbation expansion in the attractive potential
 - each order represents an exchange of particle
- relativistic physics: retarded interaction = particle exchange

3. A 'technical' problem: Difficult to handle the (anti)symmetrised states of equivalent particles ($n!$ increases too fast)

$$\psi_{\xi}(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N) = \sum_{\pi \in S_N} \xi^{\sigma(\pi)} \psi_1(\mathbf{x}_{\pi(1)}) \cdots \psi_N(\mathbf{x}_{\pi(N)}) \quad \leftarrow \quad N! \text{ terms}$$

$$\langle \psi_{\xi} | A | \phi_{\xi} \rangle = \cdots \quad \leftarrow \quad N!^2 \text{ terms}$$

4. Quantum Field Theory provides a (unique) representation of the space-time symmetries in terms of particles

Why relativistic quantum field theory:

1. High energy physics: relativistic kinematics

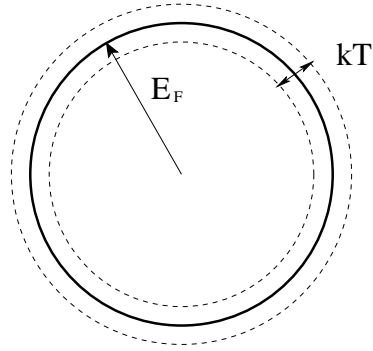
2. Condensed matter physics: linear dispersion relation, $E(\mathbf{p}) = c\sqrt{m^2c^2 + \mathbf{p}^2} \rightarrow c|\mathbf{p}|$ as $|\mathbf{p}| \rightarrow \infty$ or $m \rightarrow 0$

(a) Acoustic phonons, $E(\mathbf{p}) = c|\mathbf{p}|$

(b) Fermionic systems $E(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2m} - \mu = (\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}_F) \frac{\mathbf{p}_F}{m} + \cdots - \mu$

Relativistic quantum field theory:

1. Particles and anti-particles / holes



2. Interaction mixes particles and anti-particles / holes
3. Impossible to fix the number of degrees of freedom \implies no RQM
4. Fixed number of degrees of freedom in free dynamics
 - Conserved momentum can be measured without demolishing the state
 - Coordinate measurement changes the state
 - Momentum representation: $\hat{\mathbf{p}} = \mathbf{p}$, $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{p}} + \mathbf{c} \neq \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{Sch}$

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 particles \longleftrightarrow anti-particles / holes
 - Quantum field $\phi(t, \mathbf{x})$:
 - \mathbf{x} is only a formal variable
 - \mathbf{p} has physical interpretation

I. BASIC IDEA OF QUANTUM FIELD THEORY

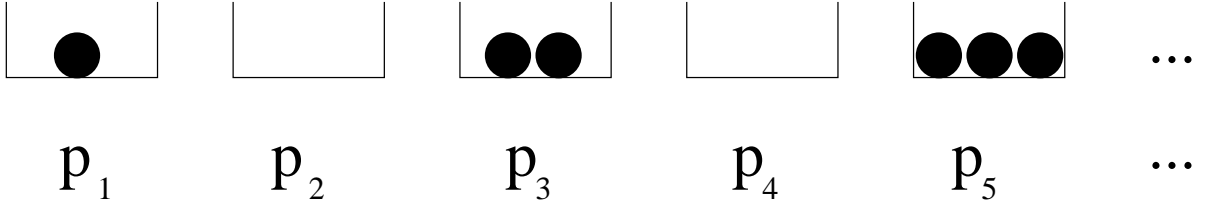
A. Quantum mechanical representation of a set of N free particles

1. **Occupation number representation:** $n(\mathbf{p})$ particles with momentum \mathbf{p}
2. **Energy-momentum spectrum of free particles:** ($\hbar = c = 1$)

$$E(\mathbf{p}) = \begin{cases} \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{2m} & \text{non-relativistic} \\ \sqrt{m^2 + \mathbf{p}^2} & \text{relativistic} \end{cases}$$

$$E = \sum_{j=1}^N E(\mathbf{p}_j) = \sum_{\mathbf{p}} n(\mathbf{p}) E(\mathbf{p}), \quad \mathbf{P} = \sum_{j=1}^N \mathbf{p}_j = \sum_{\mathbf{p}} n(\mathbf{p}) \mathbf{p}$$

3. **Harmonic oscillator for each momentum:** equidistant spectrum \implies harmonic oscillator



- *Example:* $n(\mathbf{p}_1) = 1, n(\mathbf{p}_2) = 0, n(\mathbf{p}_3) = 2, n(\mathbf{p}_4) = 0, n(\mathbf{p}_5) = 3, \dots$,
- *Occupation number representation:* $|\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_3, \mathbf{p}_3, \mathbf{p}_5, \mathbf{p}_5, \mathbf{p}_5\rangle \implies |n(\mathbf{p})\rangle$
- *Symmetrization of equivalent particles:* trivial
- *Canonical variables:* $X_{\mathbf{p}}$ and $P_{\mathbf{q}}$,

$$[X(\mathbf{p}), P(\mathbf{q})]_{\xi} = i\delta(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q}), \quad [X(\mathbf{p}), X(\mathbf{q})]_{\xi} = [P(\mathbf{p}), P(\mathbf{q})]_{\xi} = 0$$

where

$$[A, B]_{\xi} = AB - \xi BA,$$

with $\xi = 1$ (bosons) $\xi = -1$ (fermions)

- *Hamiltonian:*

$$H = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \left(\frac{P^2(\mathbf{p})}{2M(\mathbf{p})} + \frac{M(\mathbf{p})\omega^2(\mathbf{p})}{2} X^2(\mathbf{p}) \right)$$

Spectrum:

$$E = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \omega(\mathbf{p}) \left[n(\mathbf{p}) + \frac{1}{2} \right]$$

$$\omega(\mathbf{p}) = E(\mathbf{p}) = \sqrt{m^2 + \mathbf{p}^2},$$

with arbitrary $M(\mathbf{p})$.

4. Particle creation and destruction operators:

$$a(\mathbf{p}) = \sqrt{(2\pi)^3 2\omega(\mathbf{p})} \frac{M(\mathbf{p})\omega(\mathbf{p})X(\mathbf{p}) + iP(\mathbf{p})}{\sqrt{2M(\mathbf{p})\omega(\mathbf{p})}}$$

$$a^{\dagger}(\mathbf{p}) = \sqrt{(2\pi)^3 2\omega(\mathbf{p})} \frac{M(\mathbf{p})\omega(\mathbf{p})X(\mathbf{p}) - iP(\mathbf{p})}{\sqrt{2M(\mathbf{p})\omega(\mathbf{p})}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} [a(\mathbf{p}), a^{\dagger}(\mathbf{q})]_{\xi} &= (2\pi)^3 2\sqrt{\omega(\mathbf{p})\omega(\mathbf{q})} \frac{M(\mathbf{p})\omega(\mathbf{p})(-i)[X(\mathbf{p}), P(\mathbf{q})]_{\xi} + M(\mathbf{q})\omega(\mathbf{q})i[P(\mathbf{p}), X(\mathbf{q})]_{\xi}}{2\sqrt{M(\mathbf{p})\omega(\mathbf{p})M(\mathbf{q})\omega(\mathbf{q})}} \\ &= (2\pi)^3 2\omega(\mathbf{p})\delta(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q}) \\ [a(\mathbf{p}), a(\mathbf{q})]_{\xi} &= [a^{\dagger}(\mathbf{p}), a^{\dagger}(\mathbf{q})]_{\xi} = 0, \end{aligned}$$

5. **Fock space:** $\forall \mathbf{p}$ $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{p}}$ is the Hilbert space of the harmonic oscillator of \mathbf{p}

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{p}_1} \otimes \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{p}_2} \otimes \cdots = \otimes \prod_{\mathbf{p}} \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{p}}$$

• *Bosons:*

– No particle state: vacuum, ground state

$$|0\rangle = |0\rangle_{\mathbf{p}_1} \otimes |0\rangle_{\mathbf{p}_2} \otimes \cdots = \otimes \prod_{\mathbf{p}} |0\rangle_{\mathbf{p}}$$

– One particle:

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathbf{p}\rangle &= a^\dagger(\mathbf{p})|0\rangle \\ |\Psi_1\rangle &= \int \underbrace{\frac{d\mathbf{p}}{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{p}}}}_{\tilde{d}\mathbf{p}} \Psi_1(\mathbf{p})|\mathbf{p}\rangle = \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{p} \Psi_1(\mathbf{p})|\mathbf{p}\rangle = \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{p} \Psi_1(\mathbf{p})a^\dagger(\mathbf{p})|0\rangle \end{aligned}$$

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wave function in momentum space

– A two-particles:

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2\rangle &= a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1)a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2)|0\rangle \\ |\Psi_2\rangle &= \frac{1}{2} \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{p}_1 \tilde{d}\mathbf{p}_2 \Psi_2(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2)|\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2\rangle = \frac{1}{2} \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{p}_1 \tilde{d}\mathbf{p}_2 \Psi_2(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2)a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1)a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2)|0\rangle \end{aligned}$$

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wave function in momentum space

Exchange symmetry:

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2\rangle &= a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1)a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2)|0\rangle = |\mathbf{p}_2, \mathbf{p}_1\rangle = a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2)a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1)|0\rangle \\ 0 &= (a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1)a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2) - a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2)a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1))|0\rangle = [a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2), a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1)]_+ |0\rangle \rightarrow \xi = +1 \end{aligned}$$

– Arbitrary number of particles: Bound state, condensate, SSB, Higgs mechanism,...

$$|\Psi\rangle = \left[\Psi_0 + \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{p} \Psi_1(\mathbf{p})a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) + \frac{1}{2} \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{p}_1 \tilde{d}\mathbf{p}_2 \Psi_2(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2)a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1)a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2) + \cdots \right] |0\rangle.$$

• *Fermions:*

$$\begin{aligned} |\Psi_1\rangle &= \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{m}{\omega_{\mathbf{p}}} \Psi_{1\alpha}^p(\mathbf{p})c_\alpha^\dagger(\mathbf{p})|0\rangle \\ |\Psi_2\rangle &= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{d^3p_1}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{m}{\omega_{\mathbf{p}_1}} \frac{d^3p_2}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{m}{\omega_{\mathbf{p}_2}} \Psi_{2\alpha\beta}(\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2)c_\alpha^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1)c_\beta^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2)|0\rangle \end{aligned}$$

Exchange symmetry:

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2\rangle &= c^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1)c^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2)|0\rangle = -|\mathbf{p}_2, \mathbf{p}_1\rangle = -c^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2)c^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1)|0\rangle \\ 0 &= (c^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1)c^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2) + c^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2)c^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1))|0\rangle = [c^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2), c^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1)]_- |0\rangle \rightarrow \xi = -1 \end{aligned}$$

6. Particle number operator:

$$\begin{aligned}
N &= \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{k} a^\dagger(\mathbf{k}) a(\mathbf{k}) \\
N|\Psi_n\rangle &= n|\Psi_n\rangle \\
N|0\rangle &= \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{k} a^\dagger(\mathbf{k}) a(\mathbf{k}) |0\rangle = 0 = 0|0\rangle \\
N|\Psi_1\rangle &= \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{k} a^\dagger(\mathbf{k}) a(\mathbf{k}) \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{p} \Psi_1(\mathbf{p}) a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) |0\rangle \\
&= \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{k} \tilde{d}\mathbf{p} \Psi_1(\mathbf{p}) a^\dagger(\mathbf{k}) \underbrace{a(\mathbf{k}) a^\dagger(\mathbf{p})}_{\xi a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) a(\mathbf{k}) + (2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{p}} \delta(\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{p})} |0\rangle \\
&= \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{k} \tilde{d}\mathbf{p} \Psi_1(\mathbf{p}) a^\dagger(\mathbf{k}) (2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{p}} \delta(\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{p}) |0\rangle \\
&= \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{p} \Psi_1(\mathbf{p}) a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) |0\rangle = |\Psi_1\rangle
\end{aligned}$$

B. Quantum field

1. Linear superposition parameterized by a formal \mathbf{x} variable

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}) = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3 2\omega(\mathbf{p})} a(\mathbf{p}) e^{i\mathbf{x}\mathbf{p}} = \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{p} a(\mathbf{p}) e^{i\mathbf{x}\mathbf{p}}$$

2. Dynamics: Intuitively

$$\phi(t, \mathbf{x}) = \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{p} a(\mathbf{p}) e^{-iE(\mathbf{p})t + i\mathbf{x}\mathbf{p}}.$$

3. Anti-particles: two sets of boxes

$$[a(\mathbf{p}), a^\dagger(\mathbf{q})]_\xi = [b(\mathbf{p}), b^\dagger(\mathbf{q})]_\xi = (2\pi)^3 2\omega(\mathbf{p}) \delta(\mathbf{p}-\mathbf{q})$$

$$[a(\mathbf{p}), a(\mathbf{q})]_\xi = [a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}), a^\dagger(\mathbf{q})]_\xi = [b(\mathbf{p}), b(\mathbf{q})]_\xi = [b^\dagger(\mathbf{p}), b^\dagger(\mathbf{q})]_\xi = [a(\mathbf{p}), b(\mathbf{q})]_\xi = [a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}), b^\dagger(\mathbf{q})]_\xi = 0$$

$$\phi(t, \mathbf{x}) = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3 2\omega(\mathbf{p})} [a(\mathbf{p}) e^{-iE(\mathbf{p})t + i\mathbf{x}\mathbf{p}} + b^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) e^{iE(\mathbf{p})t - i\mathbf{x}\mathbf{p}}] = \int \tilde{d}^3p [a(\mathbf{p}) e^{-i\mathbf{x}\mathbf{p}} + b^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) e^{i\mathbf{x}\mathbf{p}}]_{|p^0=\omega_{\mathbf{p}}}$$

4. General solution of Klein-Gordon equation:

- E.O.M.: dispersion relation

(a) Schrödinger equation: translation in time $H(p) = \frac{p^2}{2m}$, $\mathbf{p} = -i\partial$

$$i\partial_t \psi = -\frac{\Delta}{2m} \psi$$

(b) Klein-Gordon equation: $p^2 = m^2$, $p^\mu = i\partial^\mu$

$$(\square + m^2)\phi(x) = 0$$

- General solution:

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(x) &= \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} f(p) e^{-ipx} \\ (\square + m^2)\phi(x) &= \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} f(p) (m^2 - p^2) e^{ipx} \\ f(p)(m^2 - p^2) &= 0 \quad \implies \quad f(p) = g(p) 2\pi \delta(p^2 - m^2)\end{aligned}$$

- Separation of particles and anti-particles: $\omega_{\mathbf{p}} = \sqrt{m^2 + \mathbf{p}^2}$, $\Theta(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x > 0 \\ \text{ill defined} & x = 0 \\ 0 & x < 0 \end{cases}$

$$\begin{aligned}a(\mathbf{p}) &= g(\omega_{\mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{p}), \quad b^\dagger(-\mathbf{p}) = g(-\omega_{\mathbf{p}}, \mathbf{p}) \\ \phi(t, \mathbf{x}) &= \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} 2\pi \delta(p^2 - m^2) \Theta(p^0) [a(\mathbf{p}) e^{-ip^0 t + i\mathbf{x}\mathbf{p}} + b^\dagger(-\mathbf{p}) e^{ip^0 t + i\mathbf{x}\mathbf{p}}] \\ &= \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} 2\pi \delta(p^2 - m^2) \Theta(p^0) [a(\mathbf{p}) e^{-ip^0 t + i\mathbf{x}\mathbf{p}} + b^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) e^{ip^0 t - i\mathbf{x}\mathbf{p}}]\end{aligned}$$

- Dirac-delta:

$$\begin{aligned}\int dx \delta(x - x_0) f(x) &= f(x_0) \\ \int dx \delta(h(x)) f(x) &= \int dh \left| \frac{dx}{dh} \right| \delta(h) f(x(h)) = \sum_{x'} \frac{f(x')}{|h'(x')|}, \quad h(x') = 0\end{aligned}$$

- Final form:

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(t, \mathbf{x}) &= \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{p}}} [a(\mathbf{p}) e^{-i\omega_{\mathbf{p}} t + i\mathbf{x}\mathbf{p}} + b^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) e^{i\omega_{\mathbf{p}} t - i\mathbf{x}\mathbf{p}}] \\ &= \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{p} [a(\mathbf{p}) e^{-i\omega_{\mathbf{p}} t + i\mathbf{x}\mathbf{p}} + b^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) e^{i\omega_{\mathbf{p}} t - i\mathbf{x}\mathbf{p}}] \\ &= \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{p} [a(\mathbf{p}) e^{-ipx} + b^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) e^{ipx}]_{|p^0 = \omega_{\mathbf{p}}}\end{aligned}$$

- The integration measure

$$\tilde{d}\mathbf{k} = \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} 2\pi \delta(k^2 - m^2) \Theta(k^0)_{|k^0 = \omega_{\mathbf{k}}} = \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{k}}}$$

is invariant under the proper Lorentz group $\implies a(\mathbf{k}), b(\mathbf{k})$ are scalars

5. A little history:

- (a) $\phi(t, \mathbf{x})$ is like the wave function of a free particle
- (b) $\phi(t, \mathbf{x})$ is an operator
- (c) c-number is replaced by operator \implies (second) quantization
- (d) Today: Wrong interpretation, there is no single particle wave function for interacting many-body systems.

C. Representations of time dependence

1. Schrödinger representation: State: time-dependent, observables: time-independent

- E.O.M.:

$$i\partial_t|\psi(t)\rangle_S = H|\psi(t)\rangle_S, \quad i\partial_t A_S = 0$$

- Solution:

$$|\psi(t)\rangle_S = e^{-i(t-t_i)H}|\psi(t_i)\rangle_S.$$

2. Heisenberg representation: State: time-independent, observables: time-dependent

- States:

$$|\Psi(t)\rangle_H = e^{i(t-t_i)H}|\Psi(t_i)\rangle_S$$

- Operators: Conservation of the matrix elements:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle A(t) \rangle &= \underbrace{\langle \Psi(t_i) | e^{iH(t-t_i)} A_S e^{-iH(t-t_i)} | \Psi(t_i) \rangle}_{\langle \Psi(t) |_S} = \langle \Psi(t_i) | \underbrace{e^{iH(t-t_i)} A_S e^{-iH(t-t_i)}}_{A_H(t)} | \Psi(t_i) \rangle \\ A_H(t) &= e^{i(t-t_i)H} A_S e^{-i(t-t_i)H} \end{aligned}$$

- E.O.M.:

$$\begin{aligned} i\partial_t |\Psi\rangle_H &= 0, \quad |\psi_H\rangle = |\psi(t_i)\rangle_S \\ i\partial_t A_H(t) &= [A_H(t), H], \quad A_H(t_i) = A_S \end{aligned}$$

3. Interaction representation: $H = H_0 + H_1$,

- observables: time-dependent by H_0 (perturbation expansion would be complicated)
- state: time-independent by H_1

- Complication $e^{-it(H_0+H_1)} \neq e^{-itH_0}e^{-itH_1}$

$$\begin{aligned} |\Psi(t)\rangle_i &= e^{i(t-t_i)H_0} |\Psi(t)\rangle_S \\ A_i(t) &= e^{i(t-t_i)H_0} A_S e^{-i(t-t_i)H_0} \end{aligned}$$

E.O.M.:

$$\begin{aligned} i\partial_t |\Psi(t)\rangle_i &= -H_0 |\Psi(t)\rangle_i + e^{i(t-t_i)H_0} (H_0 + H_1) |\Psi(t)\rangle_S \\ &= -H_0 |\Psi(t)\rangle_i + e^{i(t-t_i)H_0} (H_0 + H_1) e^{-i(t-t_i)H_0} e^{i(t-t_i)H_0} |\Psi(t)\rangle_S \\ &= H_{1i}(t) |\Psi(t)\rangle_i \\ i\partial_t A_i(t) &= [A_i, H_0] \end{aligned}$$

4. Schrödinger's equation with time dependent Hamiltonian:

$$i\partial_t |\Psi(t)\rangle = H(t) |\Psi(t)\rangle.$$

- For *C-numbers*:

$$\begin{aligned} i\partial_t \Psi(t) &= H(t) \Psi(t) \\ \Psi(t) &= e^{-i \int_{t_i}^t dt' H(t')} \Psi(t_i) \end{aligned}$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(t + \Delta t) &= e^{-i\Delta t \sum_{j=1}^{N+1} H(t_j)} \Psi(t_i) \\ &= e^{-i\Delta t H(t_{N+1})} \underbrace{e^{-i\Delta t \sum_{j=1}^N H(t_j)} \Psi(t_i)}_{\Psi(t)} \\ &\approx [1 - i\Delta t H(t_N)] \Psi(t) \\ i \frac{\Psi(t + \Delta t) - \Psi(t)}{\Delta t} &= H(t) \Psi(t) \end{aligned}$$

- *Operators*:

$$e^{-i\Delta t \sum_{j=1}^{N+1} H(t_j)} \neq e^{-i\Delta t H(t_{N+1})} e^{-i\Delta t \sum_{j=1}^N H(t_j)}$$

- *Time ordered (chronological) product*: $\xi = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{bosonic operators} \\ -1 & \text{fermionic operators} \end{cases}$

$$T[A(t_A)B(t_B)] = \Theta(t_A - t_B) A(t_A) B(t_B) + \xi \Theta(t_B - t_A) B(t_B) A(t_A)$$

- *Solution*:

$$|\Psi(t)\rangle = U(t, t_i) |\Psi(t_i)\rangle, \quad U(t, t_i) = T[e^{-i \int_{t_i}^t dt' H(t')}]$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}
i\partial_t U(t, t_i) |\Psi(t_i)\rangle &= H(t) U(t, t_i) |\Psi(t_i)\rangle \\
i\partial_t U(t, t_i) &= H(t) U(t, t_i) \\
&= i\partial_t T[e^{-i \int_{t_i}^t dt' H(t')}] \\
&= i\partial_t \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-i)^n}{n!} \int_{t_i}^t dt_1 \cdots \int_{t_i}^t dt_n T[H(t_1) \cdots H(t_n)] \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-i)^n}{n!} n \int_{t_i}^t dt_2 \cdots \int_{t_i}^t dt_n T[H(t) H(t_1) \cdots H(t_{n-1})] \\
&= H(t) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-i)^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} \int_{t_i}^t dt_1 \cdots \int_{t_i}^t dt_{n-1} T[H(t_1) \cdots H(t_{n-1})] \\
&= H(t) U(t, t_i).
\end{aligned}$$

5. Fields:

- Undetermined time dependence:

$$\phi(t, \mathbf{x}) = \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{p} [a(\mathbf{p}) e^{-i\mathbf{p}\mathbf{x}} + b^\dagger(\mathbf{p}) e^{i\mathbf{p}\mathbf{x}}] \rightarrow \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{p} [a(t, \mathbf{q}) e^{i\mathbf{x}\mathbf{p}} + b^\dagger(t, \mathbf{p}) e^{-i\mathbf{x}\mathbf{p}}]$$

- *Hamiltonian:*

$$H = \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{p} \omega_{\mathbf{p}} \left[a^\dagger(t, \mathbf{p}) a(t, \mathbf{p}) + b^\dagger(t, \mathbf{p}) b(t, \mathbf{p}) + 1 \right]$$

(H is time-independent hence we may take the creation and destruction operators at arbitrary time)

- *Heisenberg equation:*

$$i\partial_0 a(t, \mathbf{q}) = [a(t, \mathbf{q}), H] = \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{p}}} \omega(\mathbf{p}) [a(t, \mathbf{q}), a^\dagger(t, \mathbf{p}) a(t, \mathbf{p})]_+$$

Useful identity: $[A, BC]_+ = ABC - BCA = ABC - BCA + BAC - BAC = B[A, C]_+ + [A, B]_+ C$

$$\begin{aligned}
i\partial_0 a(t, \mathbf{q}) &= \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{p}}} \omega(\mathbf{p}) \left\{ a^\dagger(t, \mathbf{p}) \underbrace{[a(t, \mathbf{q}), a(t, \mathbf{p})]}_0 + \underbrace{[a(t, \mathbf{q}), a^\dagger(t, \mathbf{p})]}_{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{p}} \delta(\mathbf{p}-\mathbf{q})} a(t, \mathbf{p}) \right\} \\
&= \omega_{\mathbf{q}} a(t, \mathbf{q}) \\
a(t, \mathbf{q}) &= e^{-i(t-t_i)\omega_{\mathbf{q}}} a(t_i, \mathbf{q})
\end{aligned}$$

II. CLASSICAL FIELD THEORY

A. Variational principle

Invariance of the equation of motion under non-linear, time-dependent change of coordinates

1. Single point on the real axis:

- *Problem:* identification of $x_{cl} \in \mathbb{R}$ in a reparametrization independent manner

Solution: Find a function with vanishing derivative only at x_{cl} , $\frac{df(x)}{dx}|_{x=x_{cl}} = 0$

Proof: new coordinate y ,

$$\frac{df(x(y))}{dy} \Big|_{y=y_{cl}} = \underbrace{\frac{df(x)}{dx}}_0 \Big|_{x=x_{cl}} \frac{dx(y)}{dy} \Big|_{y=y_{cl}} = 0$$

- *Variational principle:* infinitesimal variation $x \rightarrow x + \delta x$,

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_{cl} + \delta x) &= f(x_{cl}) + \delta f(x_{cl}) \\ &= f(x_{cl}) + \delta x \underbrace{f'(x_{cl})}_0 + \frac{\delta x^2}{2} f''(x_{cl}) + \mathcal{O}(\delta x^3) \\ \delta f(x_{cl}) &= \mathcal{O}(\delta x^2) \end{aligned}$$

2. Non-relativistic point particle:

- *Problem:* identification of $x(t)$ in a coordinate choice independent manner.

- *Variational principle:*

(a) identify a trajectory $x_{cl}(t)$ by $x_{cl}(t_i) = x_i$, $x_{cl}(t_f) = x_f$

(b) variation: $x(t) \rightarrow x(t) + \delta x(t)$, $\delta x(t_i) = \delta x(t_f) = 0$

(c) action:

$$f(x) \rightarrow S[x] = \int_{t_i}^{t_f} dt \underbrace{L(x(t), \dot{x}(t))}_{\text{Lagrangian}}$$

- *E.O.M.:*

(a) variation:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta S[x] &= \int_{t_i}^{t_f} dt L\left(x(t) + \delta x(t), \dot{x}(t) + \delta \frac{d}{dt}x(t)\right) - \int_{t_i}^{t_f} dt L(x(t), \dot{x}(t)) \\ &= \int_{t_i}^{t_f} dt \left[L(x(t), \dot{x}(t)) + \delta x(t) \frac{\partial L(x(t), \dot{x}(t))}{\partial x} + \underbrace{\delta \frac{d}{dt}x(t)}_{\frac{d}{dt}\delta x(t)} \frac{\partial L(x(t), \dot{x}(t))}{\partial \dot{x}} + \mathcal{O}(\delta x(t)^2) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \int_{t_i}^{t_f} dt L(x(t), \dot{x}(t)) \right] \\ &= \int_{t_i}^{t_f} dt \delta x(t) \left[\frac{\partial L(x(t), \dot{x}(t))}{\partial x} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L(x(t), \dot{x}(t))}{\partial \dot{x}} \right] + \underbrace{\delta x(t)}_0 \frac{\partial L(x(t), \dot{x}(t))}{\partial \dot{x}} \Big|_{t_f}^{t_i} + \mathcal{O}(\delta x(t)^2) \end{aligned}$$

(b) Euler-Lagrange equation:

$$0 = \frac{\partial L(x, \dot{x})}{\partial x} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L(x, \dot{x})}{\partial \dot{x}}$$

(c) n -dimensional particle:

$$0 = \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}})}{\partial \mathbf{x}} - \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}})}{\partial \dot{\mathbf{x}}}$$

- Lagrangian:

$$L = T - U = \frac{m}{2} \dot{\mathbf{x}}^2 - U(\mathbf{x}) \quad \rightarrow \quad m\ddot{\mathbf{x}} = -\nabla U(\mathbf{x})$$

- generalized momentum: $p = \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}})}{\partial \dot{\mathbf{x}}} \implies \dot{p} = \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}})}{\partial \mathbf{x}}$
- cyclic coordinate: $\frac{\partial L(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}})}{\partial x_{cycl}} = 0$
- There is a conserved quantity, p_{cycl} , for each cyclic coordinate

3. Scalar field:

- *Problem:* identification of $\phi_a(x)$, $a = 1, \dots, n$
- *Variational principle:* $\phi(x) \rightarrow \phi(x) + \delta\phi(x)$, $\delta\phi(t_i, \mathbf{x}) = \delta\phi(t_f, \mathbf{x}) = 0$
- *Variation:*

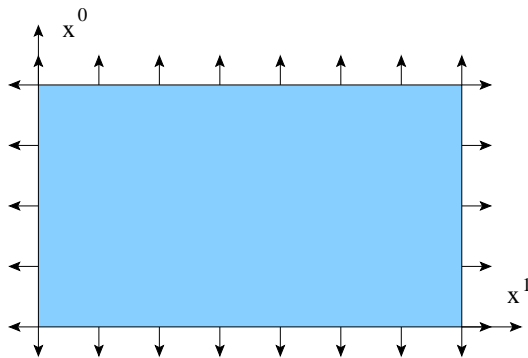
$$S[\phi] = \int_V \underbrace{dt d^3x}_{dx} L(\phi, \partial\phi)$$

- *E.O.M.:*

$$\begin{aligned} \delta S &= \int_V dx \left(\frac{\partial L(\phi, \partial\phi)}{\partial \phi_a} \delta\phi_a + \frac{\partial L(\phi, \partial\phi)}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi_a} \delta \partial_\mu \phi_a \right) + \mathcal{O}(\delta^2 \phi) \\ &= \int_V dx \left(\frac{\partial L(\phi, \partial\phi)}{\partial \phi_a} \delta\phi_a + \frac{\partial L(\phi, \partial\phi)}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi_a} \partial_\mu \delta\phi_a \right) + \mathcal{O}(\delta^2 \phi) \\ &= \int_{\partial V} ds^\mu \delta\phi_a \frac{\partial L(\phi, \partial\phi)}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi_a} + \int_V dx \delta\phi_a \left(\frac{\partial L(\phi, \partial\phi)}{\partial \phi_a} - \partial_\mu \frac{\partial L(\phi, \partial\phi)}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi_a} \right) + \mathcal{O}(\delta^2 \phi) \end{aligned}$$



0 (local Lagrangian) Euler-Lagrange equation:



$$\frac{\partial L(\phi, \partial\phi)}{\partial \phi_a} - \partial_\mu \frac{\partial L(\phi, \partial\phi)}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi_a} = 0.$$

- *Current* associated to the field ϕ :

$$j_\phi^\mu = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial \phi_\mu}$$

- *Conservation law*: Current of a cyclic field variable is conserved

$$\boxed{\partial_\mu j_{\phi_{cycl}}^\mu = 0}$$

- *Examples*:

(a) *Scalar particle*:

$$L = \frac{1}{2}(\partial\phi)^2 - \frac{m^2}{2}\phi^2 - U(\phi) \quad \rightarrow \quad (\partial_\mu\partial^\mu + m^2) = -U'(\phi)$$

Normal modes:

i. Fourier transformation in space

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(x) &= \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \phi_{\mathbf{k}}(x^0) e^{i\mathbf{k}\mathbf{x}} \\ S &= \int dx \frac{d^3k d^3q}{(2\pi)^6} \left[\frac{1}{2} \partial_0 \phi_{\mathbf{k}} \partial_0 \phi_{\mathbf{q}} + \frac{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{q}}{2} \phi_{\mathbf{k}} \phi_{\mathbf{q}} - \frac{m^2 c^2}{2\hbar^2} \phi_{\mathbf{k}} \phi_{\mathbf{q}} \right] e^{i(\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q})\mathbf{x}} \\ &= \int dx^0 \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \left[\frac{1}{2} \partial_0 \phi_{-\mathbf{k}} \partial_0 \phi_{\mathbf{k}} - \frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{k}^2 + \frac{m^2 c^2}{\hbar^2} \right) \phi_{-\mathbf{k}} \phi_{\mathbf{k}} \right] \quad \leftarrow \quad \delta(\mathbf{x}) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i\mathbf{k}\mathbf{x}} \end{aligned}$$

ii. Real field:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(x) &= \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \phi_{\mathbf{k}}(x^0) e^{i\mathbf{k}\mathbf{x}} = \phi^*(x) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \phi_{\mathbf{k}}^*(x^0) e^{-i\mathbf{k}\mathbf{x}} \\ \Rightarrow \quad \phi_{-\mathbf{k}}(x^0) &= \phi_{\mathbf{k}}^*(x^0) \\ S &= \int dx^0 \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \left[\frac{1}{2} \partial_0 \phi_{\mathbf{k}}^* \partial_0 \phi_{\mathbf{k}} - \frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{k}^2 + \frac{m^2 c^2}{\hbar^2} \right) \phi_{\mathbf{k}}^* \phi_{\mathbf{k}} \right] \end{aligned}$$

iii. Relativistic normal modes: plane waves, $\phi_{\mathbf{k}}(x^0) = \phi_{1,\mathbf{k}}(x^0) + i\phi_{2,\mathbf{k}}(x^0)$

$$\begin{aligned} S[\phi_{\mathbf{k}}] &= \sum_{j=1,2} \int dx^0 \left[\frac{1}{2} [\partial_0 \phi_{j,\mathbf{k}}(x^0)]^2 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{k}^2 + \frac{m^2 c^2}{\hbar^2} \right) [\phi_{j,\mathbf{k}}(x^0)]^2 \right] \\ &= \sum_{j=1,2} \int dx^0 \left[\frac{M_{\mathbf{k}}}{2} [\partial_t \phi_{j,\mathbf{k}}(x^0)]^2 - \frac{M_{\mathbf{k}} \Omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2}{2} \phi_{j,\mathbf{k}}(x^0) \phi_{j,\mathbf{k}}(x^0) \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$M_{\mathbf{k}} = \frac{1}{c^2}, \quad \Omega_{\mathbf{k}}^2 = c^2 \left(\mathbf{k}^2 + \frac{m^2 c^2}{\hbar^2} \right), \quad E_{\mathbf{k}} = \hbar \Omega_{\mathbf{k}}$$

$$p = \left(\frac{E}{c}, \mathbf{p} \right) = \left(\frac{\hbar c \sqrt{\mathbf{k}^2 + \frac{m^2 c^2}{\hbar^2}}}{c}, \hbar \mathbf{k} \right) = (\sqrt{m^2 c^2 + \mathbf{p}^2}, \mathbf{p})$$

(b) *Free fermions*:

$$L = \bar{\psi} [i\partial_\mu \gamma^\mu - m] \psi \rightarrow \frac{i}{2} [\bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu (\partial_\mu \psi) - (\partial_\mu \bar{\psi}) \gamma^\mu \psi] - m \bar{\psi} \psi \quad \rightarrow \quad (i\partial_\mu \gamma^\mu - m) \psi(x) = 0$$

$$\gamma^0 = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{1} & 0 \\ 0 & -\mathbb{1} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \gamma^\ell = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma^\ell \\ -\sigma^\ell & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

(c) *Yukawa model (proton + σ meson):*

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \sigma \partial^\mu \sigma - \frac{M^2}{2} \sigma^2 + \bar{\psi} [i \partial_\mu \gamma^\mu - m - g\sigma] \psi$$

B. Noether theorem

1. There is a conserved current for each continuous symmetry.

- *Symmetry:* $x^\mu \rightarrow x'^\mu$, $\phi_a(x) \rightarrow \phi'_a(x)$ and preserves the E.O.M.,

$$L(\phi, \partial\phi) \rightarrow L(\phi', \partial'\phi') + \partial'_\mu \Lambda^\mu$$

- *Continuous symmetry:*

infinitesimal symmetry transformations, $x^\mu \rightarrow x^\mu + \delta x^\mu$, $\phi_a(x) \rightarrow \phi_a(x) + \delta\phi_a(x)$

Examples: rotations, translations, $\phi(x) \rightarrow e^{i\alpha} \phi(x)$

- *Conserved current:* $\partial_\mu j^\mu = 0$, conserved charge: $Q(t)$:

$$\partial_0 Q(t) = \partial_0 \int_V d^3x j^0 = - \int_V d^3x \partial_v j = - \int_{\partial V} ds \cdot \mathbf{j}$$

- *External and internal spaces:*

$$\phi_a(x) : \underbrace{\mathbb{R}^4}_{\text{external space}} \rightarrow \underbrace{\mathbb{R}^m}_{\text{internal space}} .$$

2. Continuous groups:

- $\{\omega(\alpha)\}$:

(a) continuous topology (infinitesimal neighborhoods)

(b) multiplication law:

$$\omega(\alpha)\omega(\beta) = \omega(F(\alpha, \beta))$$

Convention: $\omega(0) = \mathbb{1}$

(c) Examples: translations, $\alpha = x^\mu$, $F(\alpha, \beta) = \alpha + \beta$

(d) Ado's theorem: any finite dimensional Lie-algebra is identical with a subspace of the generators of the matrix group $GL(N)$, with sufficiently large N

- *Infinitesimal group elements:*

$$\omega = \mathbb{1} + \sum_{n=1}^n \epsilon^n \tau^n + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2),$$

- *Generators:* $\tau^a = \frac{\partial \omega(0)}{\partial \alpha^a}$
- *Exponential map:*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{a}{n}\right)^n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{n \ln(1 + \frac{a}{n})} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{n(\frac{a}{n} + \mathcal{O}(n^{-2}))} = e^a$$

$$e^{\sum_a \alpha^a \tau^a} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \sum_a \frac{\alpha^a}{n} \tau^a\right)^n$$

Any group element can be obtained in such a form in a connected group

- *Lie-algebra:*

$$[\tau^a, \tau^b] = \sum_c f^{a,b,c} \tau^c.$$

Structure constants: $f^{a,b,c}$, uniquely determine the multiplication of infinitesimal group elements

TABLE I: Real classical matrix groups.

Symbol	Name	Definition	Dimension	Generators
$GL(N)$	general linear group	$\det A \neq 0^a$	N^2	$\{\tau : \text{real } N \times N \text{ matrices}\}$
$SL(N)$	special linear group	$\det A = 1$	$N^2 - 1$	$\text{tr} \tau = 0^b$
$O(N)$	orthogonal group	$A^{tr} A = \mathbb{1}^c$	$\frac{1}{2}N(N-1)$	$\tau^{tr} = -\tau$
$SO(N)$	special orthogonal group	$A^{tr} A = \mathbb{1}, \det A = 1$	$\frac{1}{2}N(N-1)$	$\tau^{tr} = -\tau, \text{tr} \tau = 0$

^aThe matrix A is supposed to be an element of the group in question.

^b $\det(\mathbb{1} + \epsilon \tau) = 1 + \epsilon \text{tr} \tau + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$

^c $\det A^{tr} A = (\det A)^2 = 1$ and $\det A = \pm 1$.

TABLE II: Complex classical matrix groups.

Symbol	Name	Definition	Dimension	Generators
$GL(N, C)$	complex general linear group	$\det A \neq 0$	$2N^2$	$\{\tau : \text{complex } N \times N \text{ matrices}\}$
$SL(N, C)$	complex special linear group	$\det A = 1$	$2N^2 - 2$	$\text{tr} \tau = 0$
$U(N)$	unitary group	$A^\dagger A = \mathbb{1}^a$	N^2	$\tau^\dagger = -\tau$
$SU(N)$	special unitary group	$A^\dagger A = \mathbb{1}, \det A = 1$	$N^2 - 1$	$\tau^\dagger = -\tau, \text{tr} \tau = 0$

^a $\det A^\dagger A = (\det A)^* \det A = |\det A|^2 = 1$

3. Internal symmetries: $\delta x^\mu = 0$

- *Linear symmetry:*

$$\delta \phi_a(x) = \epsilon \underbrace{\tau_{ab}}_{\text{generator}} \phi_b(x)$$

$$L(\phi, \partial \phi) = L(\phi + \epsilon \tau \phi, \partial \phi + \epsilon \tau \partial \phi) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$$

$$0 = \epsilon \tau \frac{\partial L(\phi, \partial \phi)}{\partial \phi} + \epsilon \tau \partial \phi \frac{\partial L(\phi, \partial \phi)}{\partial \partial \phi}$$

- $\phi(x)$ satisfies the E.O.M.:

$$0 = \frac{\partial L(\phi, \partial\phi)}{\partial\phi} - \partial_\mu \frac{\partial \tilde{L}(\phi, \partial\phi)}{\partial\partial_\mu\phi}$$

- *Arbitrary variation:*

$$\delta S = \mathcal{O}(\delta^2\phi)$$

- *Special variation:* $\phi(x) \rightarrow \phi(x) + \epsilon(x)\tau\phi(x)$,
- *Linearized Lagrangian:*

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{L}(\epsilon, \partial\epsilon) &= L(\phi + \epsilon\tau\phi(x), \partial\phi + \partial\epsilon\tau\phi + \epsilon\tau\partial\phi) \\ &\rightarrow \epsilon\tau \frac{\partial L(\phi, \partial\phi)}{\partial\phi} + (\partial\epsilon\tau\phi + \epsilon\tau\partial\phi) \frac{\partial L(\phi, \partial\phi)}{\partial\partial_\mu\phi} \end{aligned}$$

- *Cyclic coordinate:*

$$\delta S = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2) \rightarrow \frac{\partial \tilde{L}(\epsilon, \partial\epsilon)}{\partial\epsilon} - \partial_\mu \frac{\partial \tilde{L}(\epsilon, \partial\epsilon)}{\partial\partial_\mu\epsilon} = 0$$

- *Noether current:*

$$J^\mu = -\frac{\partial \tilde{L}(\epsilon, \partial\epsilon)}{\partial\partial_\mu\epsilon} = -\frac{\partial L(\phi, \partial\phi)}{\partial\partial_\mu\phi} \tau\phi$$

is conserved N.B.:

- there is an independent conserved current corresponding to each independent direction in the internal symmetry group
- the conserved current is well defined up to a multiplicative constant

- *Examples:*

- n -component real scalar field: ϕ_a , $a = 1, \dots, n$, $G = O(n)$,

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \frac{1}{2}(\partial\phi)^2 - V(\phi^2) \\ \delta\phi &= \epsilon^a \tau^a \phi \\ J_\mu^a &= -\partial_\mu \phi \tau^a \phi \end{aligned}$$

- Single complex scalar field: $\phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\phi_1 + i\phi_2)$, $G = U(1)$, $\phi(x) \rightarrow e^{i\alpha}\phi(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \frac{1}{2}\partial_\mu\phi_1\partial^\mu\phi_1 + \frac{1}{2}\partial_\mu\phi_2\partial^\mu\phi_2 - \frac{m^2}{2}(\phi_1^2 + \phi_2^2) - V\left(\frac{1}{2}(\phi_1^2 + \phi_2^2)\right) \\ &= \partial_\mu\phi^*\partial^\mu\phi + \partial_\mu\phi\partial^\mu\phi - m^2\phi^\dagger\phi - V(\phi^\dagger\phi) \end{aligned}$$

Field variable:

i. $\begin{pmatrix} \phi \\ \phi^* \end{pmatrix}$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi \\ \phi^* \end{pmatrix} : \begin{pmatrix} \phi \\ \phi^* \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\alpha}\phi \\ e^{-i\alpha}\phi^* \end{pmatrix}, \quad \delta \begin{pmatrix} \phi \\ \phi^* \end{pmatrix} = i\alpha \begin{pmatrix} \phi \\ -\phi^* \end{pmatrix} = \alpha\tau \begin{pmatrix} \phi \\ \phi^* \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tau = i \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$J = -\frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi} \tau \phi = -i \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi} \phi - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi^*} \phi^* \right) = -i(\partial_\mu \phi^* \phi - \phi^* \partial_\mu \phi) = i\phi^* \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_\mu \phi$$

ii. $\begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \end{pmatrix}$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \end{pmatrix} : \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow e^{i\alpha} \phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\cos \alpha \phi_1 - \sin \alpha \phi_2 + i(\cos \alpha \phi_2 + \sin \alpha \phi_1)]$$

$$\delta \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \end{pmatrix} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} -\phi_2 \\ \phi_1 \end{pmatrix} = \alpha\tau \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tau = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$J = -\frac{\partial L(\phi, \partial\phi_1)}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi} \tau \phi = - \left(-\frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi_1} \phi_2 + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi_2} \phi_1 \right) = \partial_\mu \phi_1 \phi_2 - \partial_\mu \phi_2 \phi_1$$

$$= \frac{i}{2} [\partial_\mu (\phi_1 + i\phi_2)^* (\phi_1 + i\phi_2) - (\phi_1 + i\phi_2)^* \partial_\mu (\phi_1 + i\phi_2)] = -i(\partial_\mu \phi^* \phi - \phi^* \partial_\mu \phi)$$

(c) n -component complex scalar field: $\phi_a, a = 1, \dots, n, G = U(n)$

$$L = \partial\phi^\dagger \partial\phi - V(\phi^\dagger \phi)$$

$$\delta\phi = \epsilon^a \tau^a \phi, \quad \delta\phi^\dagger = \epsilon^a (\phi \tau^a)^\dagger = -\epsilon^a \phi^\dagger \tau^a$$

$$J_\mu^a = -\partial_\mu \phi^\dagger \tau^a \phi + \partial_\mu \phi (\tau^a)^\text{tr} \phi^\dagger = -\partial_\mu \phi^\dagger \tau^a \phi + \phi^\dagger \tau^a \partial_\mu \phi = \phi^\dagger \tau^a \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_\mu \phi$$

(d) Electron: $\psi, G = U(1), \psi \rightarrow e^{i\alpha}\psi, \bar{\psi} \rightarrow e^{-i\alpha}\bar{\psi}, \tau = i \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$L = \frac{i}{2} [\bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu (\partial_\mu \psi) - (\partial_\mu \bar{\psi}) \gamma^\mu \psi] - m\bar{\psi}\psi$$

$$J_\mu = \frac{1}{2} \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi + \frac{1}{2} \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi = \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi$$

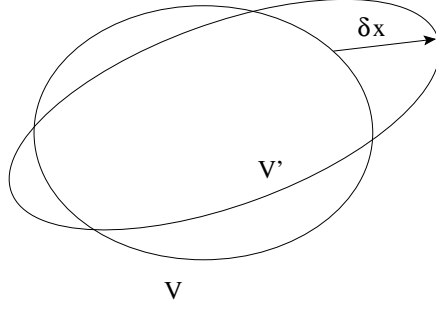
4. External symmetries (for scalar fields):

- *Variation:*

$$x^\mu \rightarrow x'^\mu = x^\mu + \delta x^\mu, \quad \phi(x) \rightarrow \phi'(x) = \phi(x) + \delta\phi(x), \quad \delta\phi(x) = -\delta x^\mu \partial_\mu \phi(x)$$

$$\partial_\mu \delta\phi(x) = \partial_\mu [\phi(x - \delta x^\mu(x)) - \phi(x)] = \partial_\mu \phi(x - \delta x^\mu(x)) - \partial_\mu \phi(x) = \delta \partial_\mu \phi(x)$$

- *Action:*



$$\begin{aligned}
\delta S &= \int_V dx \delta L + \int_{V'-V} dx L \\
&= \int_V dx \delta L + \int_{\partial V} dS_\mu \delta x^\mu L \\
&= \int_V dx \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \phi} - \partial_\mu \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi} \right) \delta \phi + \int_{\partial V} dS_\mu \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi} \delta \phi + \delta x^\mu L \right) \\
&= \int_{\partial V} dS_\mu \delta x^\nu \left(L g_\nu^\mu - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi} \partial_\nu \phi \right)
\end{aligned}$$

5. (Canonical) Energy-momentum tensor:

- *Homogeneous shift:* $\delta x^\mu = \epsilon^\mu$ in arbitrary volume V
- *Conserved current:*

$$\begin{aligned}
J^\mu &= \epsilon^\nu \left(L g_\nu^\mu - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi} \partial_\nu \phi \right) \\
T_c^{\mu\nu} &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi} \partial^\nu \phi - L g^{\mu\nu} = T_c^{\nu\mu}, \quad \partial_\mu T_c^{\mu\nu} = 0
\end{aligned}$$

- *Energy-momentum:*

$$\begin{aligned}
P^\nu &= \int d^3x T_c^{0\nu} \\
T_c^{\mu\nu} &= \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon & \mathbf{p} \\ \mathbf{S} & \sigma \end{pmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

- ϵ : energy density
- \mathbf{p} : momentum density
- \mathbf{S} : density of the energy flux
- σ^{jk} : flux of p^k in the direction j

6. Relativistic angular momentum:

- *Lorentz transformation and translation:* $\delta x^\mu = a^\mu + \omega_\nu^\mu x^\nu$, $\delta \phi = \Lambda^{\nu\mu} \omega_{\mu\nu} \phi \neq 0$

- *Conserved current:*

$$\begin{aligned} J^\mu &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi} (\Lambda^{\nu\kappa} \omega_{\kappa\nu} \phi - \delta x^\nu \partial_\nu \phi) + \delta x^\mu L \\ &= f^{\mu\nu\kappa} \omega_{\kappa\nu} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi} \delta x^\nu \partial_\nu \phi + \delta x^\mu L, \quad f^{\mu\nu\kappa} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi} \Lambda^{\nu\kappa} \phi \end{aligned}$$

cyclic permutation of the indices $\mu\nu\kappa$:

$$\tilde{f}^{\mu\nu\kappa} = \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi} \Lambda^{\nu\kappa} + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\nu \phi} \Lambda^{\kappa\mu} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\kappa \phi} \Lambda^{\mu\nu} \right) \phi$$

antisymmetrical in the first two indices

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{f}^{\nu\mu\kappa} &= \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\nu \phi} \Lambda^{\mu\kappa} + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi} \Lambda^{\kappa\nu} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\kappa \phi} \Lambda^{\nu\mu} \right) \phi \\ &= \left(-\frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\nu \phi} \Lambda^{\kappa\mu} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi} \Lambda^{\nu\kappa} + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\kappa \phi} \Lambda^{\mu\nu} \right) \phi \\ &= -\tilde{f}^{\mu\nu\kappa} \end{aligned}$$

and satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{f}^{\mu\nu\kappa} \omega_{\nu\kappa} &= \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi} \Lambda^{\nu\kappa} + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\nu \phi} \Lambda^{\kappa\mu} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\kappa \phi} \Lambda^{\mu\nu} \right) \phi \omega_{\nu\kappa} \\ &= f^{\mu\nu\kappa} \omega_{\nu\kappa} - \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\nu \phi} \Lambda^{\mu\kappa} + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\kappa \phi} \Lambda^{\mu\nu} \right) \phi \omega_{\nu\kappa} \\ &= f^{\mu\nu\kappa} \omega_{\nu\kappa}. \end{aligned}$$

hence

$$\begin{aligned} J^\mu &= \tilde{f}^{\mu\nu\kappa} \omega_{\kappa\nu} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi} \delta x^\nu \partial_\nu \phi + \delta x^\mu L \\ &= \tilde{f}^{\mu\nu\kappa} \partial_\nu (\delta x_\kappa) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi} \delta x^\nu \partial_\nu \phi + \delta x^\mu L \\ &= \delta x_\kappa \left(g^{\mu\kappa} L - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi} \partial^\kappa \phi - \partial_\nu \tilde{f}^{\mu\nu\kappa} \right) + \underbrace{\partial_\nu (\tilde{f}^{\mu\nu\kappa} \delta x_\kappa \phi)}_{\text{conserved}} \end{aligned}$$

- *Modified conserved current:*

$$\begin{aligned} J^\mu &= \delta x_\kappa \left(g^{\mu\kappa} L - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi} \partial^\kappa \phi - \partial_\nu \tilde{f}^{\mu\nu\kappa} \right) \\ &= T^{\mu\nu} (a_\nu + \omega_{\nu\kappa} x^\kappa) = T^{\mu\nu} a_\nu + \frac{1}{2} (T^{\mu\nu} x^\kappa - T^{\mu\kappa} x^\nu) \omega_{\nu\kappa} \end{aligned}$$

- *Non-canonical energy momentum tensor:*

$$T^{\mu\nu} = T_c^{\mu\nu} + \partial_\kappa \tilde{f}^{\mu\kappa\nu}$$

(a) same energy-momentum content than $T_c^{\mu\nu}$:

$$P^\nu = \int d^3x T^{0\nu} = \int d^3x (T_c^{0\nu} + \partial_\kappa \tilde{f}^{0\kappa\nu}) = \int d^3x (T_c^{0\nu} + \partial_j \tilde{f}^{0j\nu}) = \int d^3x T_c^{0\nu}$$

(b) energy-momentum conservation:

$$\int_{\partial V} dS_\mu \partial_\kappa \tilde{f}^{\mu\kappa\nu} = \int_V \partial_\mu \partial_\kappa \tilde{f}^{\mu\kappa\nu} = 0$$

(c) symmetrical:

$$\begin{aligned} M^{\mu\nu\sigma} &= T^{\mu\nu} x^\sigma - T^{\mu\sigma} x^\nu, & \partial_\mu M^{\mu\nu\sigma} &= 0 \\ 0 &= \partial_\rho M^{\rho\mu\nu} = \partial_\rho (T^{\rho\mu} x^\nu - T^{\rho\nu} x^\mu) = T^{\nu\mu} - T^{\mu\nu} \end{aligned}$$

• *Angular momentum:*

$$J^{\nu\sigma} = \int d^3x M^{0\nu\sigma} = \int d^3x (T^{0\nu} x^\sigma - T^{0\sigma} x^\nu).$$

III. CANONICAL QUANTIZATION

A. Single particle

• Classical system:

1. Lagrangian: $L(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}})$

2. Canonical momentum:

$$\mathbf{p} = \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}})}{\partial \dot{\mathbf{x}}}$$

3. Canonical structure (Poisson brackets):

$$\{x_j, p_k\} = \delta_{j,k}, \quad \{x_j, x_k\} = \{p_j, p_k\} = 0$$

4. Hamiltonian:

$$H = \dot{\mathbf{x}}\mathbf{p} - L(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}})$$

5. E.O.M.:

$$\dot{f} = \{f, H\}$$

• Quantum system:

1. Lagrangian: $L(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}})$

2. Canonical momentum:

$$\mathbf{p} = \frac{\partial L(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}})}{\partial \dot{\mathbf{x}}}$$

3. Canonical structure (commutation relations):

$$\begin{aligned} [\hat{x}_j, \hat{p}_k] &= i\delta_{j,k}, & [\hat{x}_j, \hat{x}_k] &= [\hat{p}_j, \hat{p}_k] = 0 \\ \hat{\mathbf{x}}\psi(\mathbf{x}) &= \mathbf{x}\psi(\mathbf{x}), & \hat{\mathbf{p}}\psi(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{1}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \psi(\mathbf{x}). \end{aligned}$$

4. Hamiltonian:

$$H = \dot{\mathbf{x}}\mathbf{p} - L(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}}),$$

5. Schrödinger's equation:

$$i\partial_0|\psi(t)\rangle = \hat{H}|\psi(t)\rangle$$

6. Wave functions: $\psi(\mathbf{x}) = \langle \mathbf{x} | \psi \rangle$, coordinate eigenstates $\hat{\mathbf{x}}|\mathbf{x}\rangle = \mathbf{x}|\mathbf{x}\rangle$

B. Quantum field for free particles

1. QM and the continuity of space-time are incompatible $\implies \mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{x}_n = \Delta x \mathbf{n}, \psi(t, \mathbf{x}) \rightarrow \psi(t, \mathbf{x}_n)$
2. Quantization box: N^3 lattice sites,
 - Minimal distance, UV cutoff, Δx
 - Maximal distance (IR cutoff) $N\Delta x$
3. Physics in a double limit: $\Delta x \rightarrow 0, N\Delta x \rightarrow \infty$
4. QFT of $\phi_{\mathbf{n}} = \phi(\Delta x \mathbf{n})$: QM in N^3 dimensions

Field quantization:

1. Action:

$$S = \Delta x^3 \int dt \sum_{\mathbf{n}} L(\phi_{\mathbf{n}}, \partial_0 \phi_{\mathbf{n}}, \nabla \phi_{\mathbf{n}}) = \int dt L_t[\phi, \partial_0 \phi]$$

2. Lagrangian:

$$L_t[\phi, \partial_0 \phi] = \Delta x^3 \sum_{\mathbf{n}} L(\phi_{\mathbf{n}}, \partial_0 \phi, \nabla \phi_{\mathbf{n}}), \quad \nabla_j \phi(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\phi_{\mathbf{n}+\mathbf{e}_j} - \phi_{\mathbf{n}}}{\Delta x},$$

and \mathbf{e}_j is the unit vector in the direction j ($(\nabla \phi_{\mathbf{n}})^2$ is part of potential energy)

3. Functional derivative:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\delta}{\delta \phi(\mathbf{a}\mathbf{n})} &= \frac{1}{\Delta x^3} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi_{\mathbf{n}}} \\ \frac{\delta}{\delta \phi(\mathbf{x})} \int d^3 y f(\mathbf{y}) \phi(\mathbf{y}) &= f(\mathbf{x}) \iff \frac{1}{\Delta x^3} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi_{\mathbf{n}}} \Delta x^3 \sum_{\mathbf{n}'} f_{\mathbf{n}'} \phi_{\mathbf{n}'} = f_{\mathbf{n}} \end{aligned}$$

4. Canonical momentum:

$$\pi_{\mathbf{n}} = \frac{\partial L_t[\phi, \nabla\phi]}{\partial \nabla_0 \phi_{\mathbf{n}}} = \Delta x^3 \frac{\partial L(\phi(x), \partial\phi(x))}{\partial \partial_0 \phi(a\mathbf{n})}$$

5. Hamiltonian:

$$H = \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \partial_0 \phi_{\mathbf{n}} \pi_{\mathbf{n}} - L_t[\phi, \partial_0 \phi] \rightarrow \int d^3x [\partial_0 \phi(\mathbf{x}) \pi(\mathbf{x}) - L(\phi(\mathbf{x}), \partial\phi(\mathbf{x}))]$$

6. Commutation relations,

$$[\hat{\phi}_{\mathbf{n}}, \hat{\pi}_{\mathbf{n}'}] = i\delta_{\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{n}'}, \quad [\hat{\phi}_{\mathbf{n}}, \hat{\phi}_{\mathbf{n}'}] = [\hat{\pi}_{\mathbf{n}}, \hat{\pi}_{\mathbf{n}'}] = 0.$$

$\Delta x \rightarrow 0$:

$$[\hat{\phi}(\mathbf{x}), \hat{\pi}(\mathbf{y})] = i\delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) = i\frac{\delta_{\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{m}}}{\Delta x^3}, \quad [\hat{\phi}(\mathbf{x}), \hat{\phi}(\mathbf{y})] = [\hat{\pi}(\mathbf{x}), \hat{\pi}(\mathbf{y})] = 0$$

7. Wave functionals, canonical coordinate and momentum operators:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(\mathbf{x})|\Phi(\mathbf{y})\rangle &= \Phi(\mathbf{x})|\Phi(\mathbf{y})\rangle \\ \Psi[\phi(\mathbf{y})] &= \langle \phi(\mathbf{y})|\Psi\rangle \\ \hat{\phi}(\mathbf{x})\Psi[\phi(\mathbf{y})] &= \phi(\mathbf{x})\Psi[\phi(\mathbf{y})] \\ \hat{\pi}(\mathbf{x})\Psi[\phi(\mathbf{y})] &= \frac{1}{i} \frac{\delta}{\delta \phi(\mathbf{x})} \Psi[\phi(\mathbf{y})] \end{aligned}$$

8. Schrödinger's equation:

$$i\partial_0|\Psi\rangle = \hat{H}|\Psi\rangle$$

Example:

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi - \frac{m^2}{2} \phi^2 - U(\phi) \\ \pi(\mathbf{x}) &= \partial_0 \phi(\mathbf{x}) \\ H &= \int d^3x \left[-\frac{1}{2} \frac{\delta^2}{\delta \phi(\mathbf{x}) \delta \phi(\mathbf{x})} + \frac{1}{2} (\partial\phi(\mathbf{x}))^2 + \frac{m^2}{2} \phi^2(\mathbf{x}) + U(\phi(\mathbf{x})) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Too complicated, a shortened construction follows:

- free fields: explicit solution of the equations of motion
- interactions: perturbation expansion

C. Neutral scalar field ($S = 0$)

- General solution of the Klein-Gordon equation:

$$\phi(x) = \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{k} [a(\mathbf{k})e^{-ikx} + b^\dagger(\mathbf{k})e^{ikx}]$$

- Hermiticity:

$$\phi(x) = \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{k} [a(\mathbf{k})e^{-ikx} + b^\dagger(\mathbf{k})e^{ikx}] = \phi^\dagger(x) = \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{k} [a^\dagger(\mathbf{k})e^{ikx} + b(\mathbf{k})e^{-ikx}] \implies a(k) = b(k)$$

Neutral particles and anti-particles are identical

- Canonical commutation relation:

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi - \frac{m^2}{2} \phi^2 - U(\phi) \\ \pi(\mathbf{x}) &= \partial_0 \phi(\mathbf{x}) = -i \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{k} \omega_{\mathbf{k}} [a(\mathbf{k})e^{-ik \cdot \mathbf{x}} - a^\dagger(\mathbf{k})e^{ik \cdot \mathbf{x}}] \\ [\phi(x), \pi(y)]|_{x^0=y^0} &= -i \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{k} \tilde{d}\boldsymbol{\ell} \omega_{\mathbf{k}} [a(\mathbf{k})e^{-ikx} + a^\dagger(\mathbf{k})e^{ikx}, a(\boldsymbol{\ell})e^{-i\boldsymbol{\ell}y} - a^\dagger(\boldsymbol{\ell})e^{i\boldsymbol{\ell}y}]|_{x^0=y^0} \\ &= -i \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{k} \tilde{d}\boldsymbol{\ell} \omega_{\mathbf{k}} \left\{ \underbrace{[a(\mathbf{k}), a(\boldsymbol{\ell})]}_0 e^{-i(kx+\boldsymbol{\ell}y)} - \underbrace{[a^\dagger(\mathbf{k}), a^\dagger(\boldsymbol{\ell})]}_0 e^{i(kx+\boldsymbol{\ell}y)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \underbrace{[a^\dagger(\mathbf{k}), a(\boldsymbol{\ell})]}_{-(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{k}} \delta(\mathbf{k}-\boldsymbol{\ell})} e^{i(kx-\boldsymbol{\ell}y)} - \underbrace{[a(\mathbf{k}), a^\dagger(\boldsymbol{\ell})]}_{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{k}} \delta(\mathbf{k}-\boldsymbol{\ell})} e^{-i(kx-\boldsymbol{\ell}y)} \right\} |_{x^0=y^0} \\ &= i\delta(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}) = i \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})} \\ [a(\mathbf{k}), a^\dagger(\boldsymbol{\ell})] &= (2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{k}} \delta(\mathbf{k}-\boldsymbol{\ell}), \quad [a(\mathbf{k}), a(\boldsymbol{\ell})] = [a^\dagger(\mathbf{k}), a^\dagger(\boldsymbol{\ell})] = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Lesson: $a(\mathbf{k})$ and $a^\dagger(\mathbf{k})$ are annihilation and creation operators

- Energy-momentum:

$$\begin{aligned} P^\mu &= \int d^3x T^{0\mu} \\ &= \int d^3x \left[\partial_0 \phi \partial^\mu \phi - g^{0\mu} \left(\frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi - \frac{m^2}{2} \phi^2 \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{k} k^\mu \left[\underbrace{a(\mathbf{k})a^\dagger(\mathbf{k})}_{a(\mathbf{k})a^\dagger(\mathbf{k}) + (2\pi)^2 2\omega_{\mathbf{k}} \delta(\mathbf{0})} + a^\dagger(\mathbf{k})a(\mathbf{k}) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Dirac-delta at zero? $x_j = j\Delta x$, $\Delta k = \frac{2\pi}{L}$, $\frac{1}{\Delta k^3} = \frac{V}{(2\pi)^3}$

$$\int dx \delta(x - x_0) f(x) = \Delta x \sum_j \underbrace{\delta(x_j)}_{\frac{1}{\Delta x} \delta_{j,j_0}} f(x_j) = f(x_{j_0})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
P^\mu &= \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{k} k^\mu a^\dagger(\mathbf{k})a(\mathbf{k}) + \frac{V}{2} \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} k^\mu \omega_{\mathbf{k}} \\
&= \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{k} k^\mu a^\dagger(\mathbf{k})a(\mathbf{k}) + g^{0\mu} V \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\omega_{\mathbf{k}}}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

Diverging vacuum energy density:

1. UV divergence: Sum of the ground state energy of infinitely many harmonic oscillator
2. Naive removal: normal ordering, creation (destruction) operators left (right),

$$: a(\mathbf{p}_1)a(\mathbf{p}_1) := a(\mathbf{p}_2)a(\mathbf{p}_1), , \quad : a(\mathbf{p}_1)a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2) := a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2)a(\mathbf{p}_1)$$

$$\langle 0 | : A : | \rangle = 0, \quad P^\mu \rightarrow : P^\mu :$$

3. Regulator: Maximal momentum, $|\mathbf{p}| < \Lambda$, our ignorance of microscopic laws
4. Renormalization: $\frac{1}{\Lambda} \ll$ observed length scale, the renormalized theory is constructed by the limit $\Lambda \rightarrow \infty$. Convergent theories are called renormalizable.

D. Charged scalar field ($S = 0$)

1. Syllogism: Conservation law \implies symmetry
2. Single charge \implies one dimensional continuous symmetry group, $G = U(1)$
3. $\phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}[\phi_1(x) + i\phi_2(x)]$, $\phi(x) \rightarrow e^{i\alpha}\phi(x)$
4. Lagrangian:

$$\begin{aligned}
L_{free} &= \sum_{a=1,2} \left[\frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi_a \partial^\mu \phi_a - \frac{m^2}{2} \phi_a^2 \right] = \partial_\mu \phi^\dagger \partial^\mu \phi - m^2 \phi^\dagger \phi \\
L_{int} &= L_{free} - U(\phi^\dagger \phi)
\end{aligned}$$

5. Canonical momentum:

$$\pi(x) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_0 \phi} = \partial_0 \phi^\dagger, \quad \pi^\dagger(x) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_0 \phi^\dagger} = \partial_0 \phi = (\pi(x))^\dagger$$

6. Canonical commutation relations:

$$\begin{aligned}
i\delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) &= [\phi(\mathbf{x}), \pi(\mathbf{y})] = [\phi^\dagger(\mathbf{x}), \pi^\dagger(\mathbf{y})] \\
0 &= [\phi(\mathbf{x}), \phi(\mathbf{y})] = [\phi(\mathbf{x}), \phi^\dagger(\mathbf{y})] = [\pi(\mathbf{x}), \pi(\mathbf{y})] = [\pi(\mathbf{x}), \pi^\dagger(\mathbf{y})]
\end{aligned}$$

7. Quantum field:

$$\phi(t, \mathbf{x}) = \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{k} [a(\mathbf{k})e^{-ik \cdot x} + b^\dagger(\mathbf{k})e^{ik \cdot x}]$$

8. Canonical commutation relations:

$$(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{k}} \delta(\mathbf{k} - \boldsymbol{\ell}) = [a(\mathbf{k}), a^\dagger(\boldsymbol{\ell})] = [b(\mathbf{k}), b^\dagger(\boldsymbol{\ell})]$$

$$0 = [a(\mathbf{k}), a(\boldsymbol{\ell})] = [a^\dagger(\mathbf{k}), a^\dagger(\boldsymbol{\ell})] = [a(\mathbf{k}), b(\boldsymbol{\ell})] = [a(\mathbf{k}), b^\dagger(\boldsymbol{\ell})]$$

Two kind of particles (particle and anti-particle), identical dispersion relation, $\omega_{\mathbf{k}}$.

9. Energy-momentum:

$$P^\mu = \int d^3x T^{0\mu}$$

$$= \int d^3x : [\partial_0 \phi^\dagger \partial^\mu \phi + \partial^\mu \phi^\dagger \partial_0 \phi - g^{0\mu} (\partial_\mu \phi^\dagger \partial^\mu \phi - m^2 \phi^\dagger \phi)] :$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{k} k^\mu : [a(\mathbf{k})a^\dagger(\mathbf{k}) + a^\dagger(\mathbf{k})a(\mathbf{k}) + b(\mathbf{k})b^\dagger(\mathbf{k}) + b^\dagger(\mathbf{k})b(\mathbf{k})] :$$

$$= \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{k} k^\mu [a^\dagger(\mathbf{k})a(\mathbf{k}) + b^\dagger(\mathbf{k})b(\mathbf{k})].$$

10. Charge:

$$Q(t) = \int d^3x j^0(t, \mathbf{x}) = \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{k} [a^\dagger(\mathbf{k})a(\mathbf{k}) - b^\dagger(\mathbf{k})b(\mathbf{k})]$$

Noether current

$$j_\mu = i : \phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_\mu \phi :$$

is the electromagnetic current, $f(x) \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_\mu g(x) = f(x) \partial_\mu g(x) - (\partial_\mu f(x)) g(x)$.

E. Neutral vector field ($S = 1$)

1. $S = 1 \implies$ 3 components, relativity ? (scalar 0, vector 4, $\neq 3$)

2. Gauge theories:

- vector field $A_\mu(x)$ with local relativistic invariant constraint
- $4 \rightarrow 3$: one constraint, one dimensional symmetry (gauge) group,

$$A_\mu(x) \rightarrow A_\mu(x) + \partial_\mu \Phi(x)$$

$$\int dx e^{iqx} A_\mu(x) = A_\mu(q) \rightarrow A_\mu(q) + \int dx e^{iqx} \partial_\mu \Phi(x) = A_\mu(q) - iq_\mu \Phi(q)$$

3. Maxwell Lagrangian:

$$L = -\frac{1}{4}F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu}, \quad F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu$$

4. Mass, a term like $-m^2 A^2$, is excluded by gauge invariance

5. Singular Lagrangian:

- $\partial_0 A_0$ has no dynamics,
- $\Pi^0 = 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi^\mu &= \frac{\delta L}{\delta \partial_0 A_\mu} \\ &= -\frac{1}{4} \frac{\delta}{\delta \partial_0 A_\mu} (\partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu) g^{\mu\mu'} g^{\nu\nu'} (\partial_{\mu'} A_{\nu'} - \partial_{\nu'} A_{\mu'}) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} (\partial^0 A^\mu - \partial^\mu A^0) + \frac{1}{2} (\partial^\mu A_0 - \partial^0 A^\mu) \\ &= F^{\mu 0} \end{aligned}$$

- Further reduction of the number of degrees of freedom: $4 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 2$
 - $\mathcal{O}(m^2)$ coupling between longitudinal and transverse helicity components
 - no longitudinal photons

6. Observables: remain invariant under gauge transformations

- Gauge non-invariant sector:
 - auxiliary (redundant parametrization induced) dynamics
 - freely modifiable
 - longitudinal field components (\neq helicity components!)

$$A_\mu(q) \rightarrow A_\mu(q) - iq_\mu \Phi(x), \quad A_{L\mu}(x) = L_{\mu\nu} A^\nu(x), \quad L_{\mu\nu}(k) = \frac{k_\mu k_\nu}{k^2}, \quad L_{\mu\nu} = \frac{\partial_\mu \partial_\nu}{\square}$$

- Gauge invariant sector: physics, transverse field components

$$A_{T\mu}(x) = T_{\mu\nu} A^\nu(x), \quad T_{\mu\nu}(k) = g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{k_\mu k_\nu}{k^2}, \quad T_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{\partial_\mu \partial_\nu}{\square}$$

7. Gauge fixing:

- non-singular Lagrangian
- well defined time evolution in gauge theories with symmetry $A_\mu(x) \rightarrow A_\mu(x) + \partial_\mu \Phi(x)$

- modification of the gauge-dependent sector

$$L = -\frac{1}{4}F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu} - \frac{\lambda}{2}(\partial^\mu A_\mu)^2$$

- E.O.M.:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \left(\frac{\delta}{\delta A_\mu} - \partial_\nu \frac{\delta}{\delta \partial_\nu A_\mu} \right) \left[-\frac{1}{4}(\partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu)g^{\mu\mu'}g^{\nu\nu'}(\partial_{\mu'} A_{\nu'} - \partial_{\nu'} A_{\mu'}) - \frac{\lambda}{2}(\partial^\mu A_\mu)^2 \right] \\ &= -\partial_\nu \left(-\frac{1}{4} \right) (F^{\nu\mu} - F^{\mu\nu} + F^{\nu\mu} - F^{\mu\nu}) + \lambda g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu \partial_\mu A_\mu \\ &= \partial_\nu F^{\nu\mu} + \lambda g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu \partial_\mu A_\mu \\ &= \partial_\nu (\partial^\nu A^\mu - \partial^\mu A^\nu) + \lambda g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu \partial_\mu A_\mu \\ &= \square A^\mu + (\lambda - 1) \partial^\mu \partial_\nu A^\nu \end{aligned}$$

- generalized momentum:

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi^\mu &= \frac{\delta L}{\delta \partial_0 A_\mu} \\ &= \frac{\delta}{\delta \partial_0 A_\mu} \left[-\frac{1}{4}(\partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu)g^{\mu\mu'}g^{\nu\nu'}(\partial_{\mu'} A_{\nu'} - \partial_{\nu'} A_{\mu'}) - \frac{\lambda}{2}(\partial^\mu A_\mu)^2 \right] \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}(\partial^0 A^\mu - \partial^\mu A^0) + \frac{1}{2}(\partial^\mu A_0 - \partial^0 A^\mu) - \lambda g^{\mu 0} \partial^\nu A_\nu \\ &= F^{\mu 0} - \lambda g^{\mu 0} \partial^\nu A_\nu \end{aligned}$$

8. Canonical commutation relations:

- relativistic covariance:

$$[A_\mu(t, \mathbf{x}), \pi_\nu(t, \mathbf{y})] = \pm i g_{\mu\nu} \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})$$

- to get most of the components right:

$$[A_\mu(t, \mathbf{x}), \pi_\nu(t, \mathbf{y})] = -i g_{\mu\nu} \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})$$

- A_0 has commutation relation with the wrong sign
- Fock-space with indefinite scalar product

$$\begin{aligned} [x, p] &= \pm i\hbar, \quad a = \frac{m\omega x + ip}{\sqrt{2\hbar\omega m}} \\ [a, a^\dagger] &= \left[\frac{m\omega x + ip}{\sqrt{2\hbar\omega m}}, \frac{m\omega x - ip}{\sqrt{2\hbar\omega m}} \right] = \pm 1 \\ \langle 0|0 \rangle &= 1 \\ \langle 1|1 \rangle &= \langle 0|aa^\dagger|0 \rangle = \langle 0|a^\dagger a \pm 1|0 \rangle = \pm \langle 0|0 \rangle = \pm 1 \end{aligned}$$

- Gupta-Bleuler quantization: positive definite states in the physical (gauge invariant) subspace

9. Quantum field:

$$A_\mu(x) = \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{k} \sum_{\lambda=0}^3 [a_\lambda(\mathbf{k})\epsilon_{\lambda\mu}(\mathbf{k})e^{-ik\cdot x} + a_\lambda^\dagger(\mathbf{k})\epsilon_{\lambda\mu}(\mathbf{k})e^{ik\cdot x}],$$

polarization vectors $\epsilon_{\lambda\mu}(\mathbf{k})$:

- time-like polarization: $\epsilon_{0\mu}(\mathbf{k}) = n^\mu$, $n^\mu n_\mu = 1$, time-like unit vector
- longitudinal polarization $\epsilon_{3\mu}(\mathbf{k}) = (\omega_{\mathbf{k}}, \mathbf{k})$
- transverse polarization: $\epsilon_{\lambda\mu}(\mathbf{k})$, $\lambda = 1, 2$, are orthogonal to $\epsilon_{0\mu}(\mathbf{k})$ and $\epsilon_{3\mu}(\mathbf{k})$

$$\epsilon_\lambda^\mu(\mathbf{k})\epsilon_{\lambda'\mu}^*(\mathbf{k}) = g_{\lambda\lambda'}.$$

- non-vanishing canonical commutation relations:

$$[a_\lambda(\mathbf{k}), a_{\lambda'}^\dagger(\boldsymbol{\ell})] = -g_{\lambda\lambda'} 2\omega_{\mathbf{k}} \delta(\mathbf{k} - \boldsymbol{\ell})$$

F. Charged fermionic field ($S = \frac{1}{2}$)

1. Dirac equation:

$$(i\partial_\mu\gamma^\mu - m)\psi(x) = (i\cancel{\partial} - m)\psi(x) = 0$$

2. Plane wave solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{particle : } \quad \psi^{(+)}(x) &= e^{-ikx} u_{\mathbf{k}}, \quad (\cancel{k} - m)u_{\mathbf{k}} = 0, \quad k^0 > 0 \\ \text{anti - particle : } \quad \psi^{(-)}(x) &= e^{ikx} v_{\mathbf{k}}, \quad (\cancel{k} + m)v_{\mathbf{k}} = 0, \quad k^0 > 0 \end{aligned}$$

3. Lagrangian:

$$L \Rightarrow \frac{i}{2} [\bar{\psi}\gamma^\mu(\partial_\mu\psi) - (\partial_\mu\bar{\psi})\gamma^\mu\psi] - m\bar{\psi} \rightarrow \bar{\psi}[i\partial_\mu\gamma^\mu - m]\psi.$$

4. Energy-momentum tensor: (by the help of E.O.M.)

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\nu\bar{\psi}\frac{\partial L}{\partial\partial_\mu\bar{\psi}} + \frac{\partial L}{\partial\partial_\mu\psi}\partial^\nu\psi - g^{\mu\nu}L = \frac{i}{2}[\bar{\psi}\gamma^\mu\partial^\nu\psi - \partial^\nu\bar{\psi}\gamma^\mu\psi]$$

5. Noether current: $G = U(1)$, $\psi(x) \rightarrow e^{i\alpha}\psi(x)$,

$$j^\mu = \bar{\psi}\gamma^\mu\psi$$

6. Quantum field: $\alpha = 1, 2$ spin polarization,

$$\psi(x) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{m}{\omega_{\mathbf{k}}} \sum_{\alpha=1,2} [c_\alpha(\mathbf{k})u^{(\alpha)}(\mathbf{k})e^{-ik\cdot x} + d_\alpha^\dagger(\mathbf{k})v^{(\alpha)}(\mathbf{k})e^{ik\cdot x}]$$

7. Energy-momentum vector:

$$\begin{aligned} P^\mu &= \int d^3x T^{0\mu} \\ &= \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{m}{\omega_{\mathbf{k}}} k^\mu \sum_{\alpha=1,2} [c_\alpha^\dagger(\mathbf{k})c_\alpha(\mathbf{k}) - d_\alpha(\mathbf{k})d_\alpha^\dagger(\mathbf{k})] \end{aligned}$$

the negative sign is the usual wrong sign in relativistic quantum mechanics and is here harmless

8. Canonical anti-commutation relations:

- P^0 bounded from below
- right exchange statistics

$$\begin{aligned} (2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{k}} \delta_{\alpha,\beta} \delta(\mathbf{k} - \boldsymbol{\ell}) &= \{c_\alpha(\mathbf{k}), c_\beta^\dagger(\boldsymbol{\ell})\} = \{d_\alpha(\mathbf{k}), d_\beta^\dagger(\boldsymbol{\ell})\}, \\ 0 &= \{c_\alpha(\mathbf{k}), c_\beta(\boldsymbol{\ell})\} = \{d_\alpha(\mathbf{k}), d_\beta(\boldsymbol{\ell})\} = \{c_\alpha(\mathbf{k}), d_\beta(\boldsymbol{\ell})\} = \{c_\alpha(\mathbf{k}), d_\beta^\dagger(\boldsymbol{\ell})\} \end{aligned}$$

9. Energy-momentum vector after the subtraction of the divergent contribution of the zero-point fluctuations:

$$P^\mu = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{m}{\omega_{\mathbf{k}}} k^\mu \sum_{\alpha=1,2} [c_\alpha^\dagger(\mathbf{k})c_\alpha(\mathbf{k}) + d_\alpha^\dagger(\mathbf{k})d_\alpha(\mathbf{k})].$$

normal ordering: same as for bosonic operators except an exchange sign factor,

$$\text{e.g. } :c_\alpha(\mathbf{p}_1)c_\beta(\mathbf{p}_1) := -c_\beta(\mathbf{p}_2)c_\alpha(\mathbf{p}_1), \quad :c_\alpha(\mathbf{p}_1)c_\beta^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2) := -c_\beta^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2)c_\alpha(\mathbf{p}_1).$$

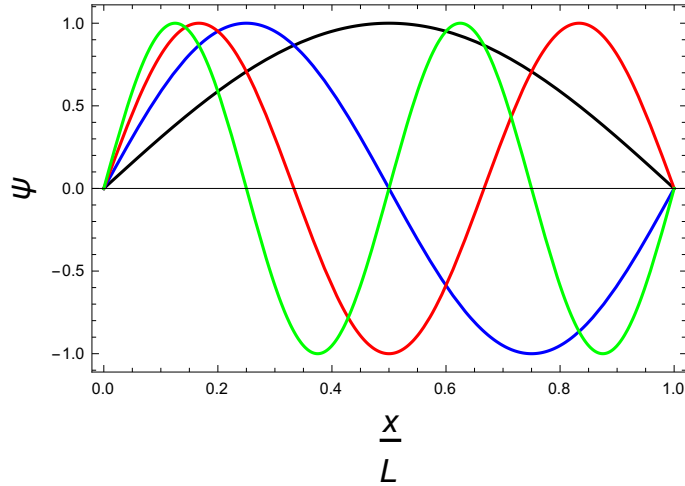
10. Noether current (electric current):

$$Q = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{m}{\omega_{\mathbf{k}}} \sum_{\alpha=1,2} [c_\alpha^\dagger(\mathbf{k})c_\alpha(\mathbf{k}) - d_\alpha^\dagger(\mathbf{k})d_\alpha(\mathbf{k})].$$

IV. SCATTERING PROCESSES

1. Non-relativistic quantum mechanics: $\langle \psi | F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p}) | \psi \rangle$
2. Relativistic quantum mechanics: neither $\langle \psi | \mathbf{x} | \psi \rangle$ nor $\langle \psi | \mathbf{p} | \psi \rangle$ is measurable with arbitrary precision in high energy processes
 - $\langle \psi | \mathbf{x} | \psi \rangle$: vacuum-polarization pairs at $|\mathbf{x}| \ll \lambda_C = \frac{\hbar}{mc}$
 - unidimensional particle confined in $0 < x < L$:

$$\psi_n(x) = \sin k_n x, \quad k_n = n \frac{\pi}{L}, \quad p^2 \sim \frac{\hbar^2}{L^2}$$



- localization needs energy
- maximal localization at the Compton wavelength:

$$E = c\sqrt{m^2c^2 + \mathbf{p}^2} \sim c\sqrt{m^2c^2 + \frac{\hbar^2}{L^2}} \sim 3mc^2, \quad \rightarrow m^2c^2 \approx \frac{\hbar^2}{L^2}, \quad L \approx \frac{\hbar}{mc} = \lambda_C$$

- $\langle \psi | \mathbf{p} | \psi \rangle$:

- high energy: $E = c\sqrt{m^2c^2 + \mathbf{p}^2} \sim c|\mathbf{p}|$
- frequency(energy)-time uncertainty relation: $\Delta\omega t \approx 1, t \rightarrow 0$

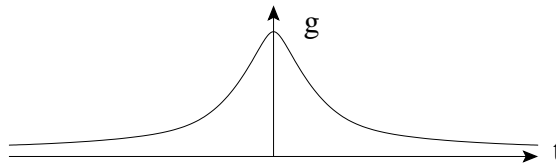
$$\Delta Et = \hbar\Delta\omega t \approx \hbar, \quad c\Delta p t \approx \hbar \quad \rightarrow \quad \Delta p \approx \frac{\hbar}{ct} \rightarrow \infty$$

3. Heisenberg: scattering probabilities is measurable with arbitrary precision

A. Asymptotic states

1. Scattering at high energy:

- interaction for short time



- initial and final states, $|i\rangle \in \mathcal{H}_i$ and $|f\rangle \in \mathcal{H}_f$, made of free particles
- short time interaction \implies well separated wave-packets \implies not too clean beam

2. Scattering matrix in the interaction representation:

$$|i\rangle \rightarrow |f\rangle = S|i\rangle, \quad S = T[e^{-i\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt H_i(t)}], \quad \mathcal{H}_f \subset S\mathcal{H}_i \quad (\text{bound states})$$

3. Asymptotic fields: $\phi_i(x)$ ($x^0 \rightarrow -\infty$), $\phi_o(x)$ ($x^0 \rightarrow \infty$), $(\square + m^2)\phi_i = 0$
4. Interpolating field: $\sqrt{Z_o}\phi(x) = \phi_i(t, \mathbf{x})$ for $x^0 \rightarrow \pm\infty$, T-invariance $\implies Z_i = Z_o = Z$
5. $\sqrt{Z}\phi(t, \mathbf{x}) = \phi_i(t, \mathbf{x})$ is a weak equation for non-overlapping particles
 - weak equations hold for matrix elements only, $\langle \psi | \sqrt{Z}\phi(t, \mathbf{x}) | \psi' \rangle = \langle \psi | \phi_i(t, \mathbf{x}) | \psi' \rangle$
 - two-point functions

$$\begin{aligned} \langle 0 | \phi(x)\phi(y) | 0 \rangle &= \sum_n \langle 0 | \phi(x) | n \rangle \langle n | \phi(y) | 0 \rangle \\ \langle 0 | \phi_i(x)\phi_i(y) | 0 \rangle &= \sum_n \langle 0 | \phi_i(x) | n \rangle \langle n | \phi_i(y) | 0 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

- $\mathbf{x} \sim \mathbf{y}$: particles overlap and

$$Z \langle 0 | \phi(x)\phi(y) | 0 \rangle \neq \langle 0 | \phi_i(x)\phi_i(y) | 0 \rangle$$

B. Cross section

1. Inelastic $p_1, p_2 \rightarrow q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n$ scattering:

$$|i\rangle = \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{p}_1 \tilde{d}\mathbf{p}_2 \psi_1(\mathbf{p}_1)\psi_2(\mathbf{p}_2) |\mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2\rangle_i, \quad |f\rangle = |\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2, \dots, \mathbf{q}_n\rangle_f$$

2. Transition probability: $W_{f \leftarrow i} = |\langle f | i(t = \infty) \rangle|^2$
3. Scattering amplitude: $\langle f | i(t = \infty) \rangle = \langle f | S | i \rangle$
4. Ignoring the trivial forward scattering: $S = \mathbb{1} + iT$, $\langle f | S | i \rangle = i \langle f | T | i \rangle$
5. Transition probability:
 - Separation of the trivial energy-momentum conserving Dirac-delta:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f | S | i \rangle &= i \langle f | T | i \rangle = \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{p}_1 \tilde{d}\mathbf{p}_2 \psi_1(\mathbf{p}_1)\psi_2(\mathbf{p}_2) i(2\pi)^4 \delta(p_f - p_1 - p_2) \langle f | \mathcal{T} | \mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2 \rangle \\ W_{f \leftarrow i} &= \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{p}_1 \tilde{d}\mathbf{p}_2 \tilde{d}\mathbf{q}_1 \tilde{d}\mathbf{q}_2 \psi_1^*(\mathbf{p}_1)\psi_2^*(\mathbf{p}_2)\psi_1(\mathbf{q}_1)\psi_2(\mathbf{q}_2) (2\pi)^4 \delta(p_f - p_1 - p_2) (2\pi)^4 \delta(q_1 + q_2 - p_1 - p_2) \\ &\quad \times \langle f | \mathcal{T} | \mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2 \rangle^* \langle f | \mathcal{T} | \mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2 \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

- Sufficiently monochromatic, but still non-overlapping wave-packets:

$$\langle f | \mathcal{T} | \mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2 \rangle \approx \langle f | \mathcal{T} | \bar{\mathbf{p}}_1, \bar{\mathbf{p}}_2 \rangle$$

(\bar{p}_j is the average momentum of the j -th particle)

6. Transition probability density:

- Initial state wave functions:

$$\begin{aligned}
f(x) &= \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{p} e^{-ixp} f(p)|_{p^0=\omega_{\mathbf{q}}} \\
W_{f \leftarrow i} &= \langle f | \mathcal{T} | \bar{\mathbf{p}}_1, \bar{\mathbf{p}}_2 \rangle^* \langle f | \mathcal{T} | \bar{\mathbf{p}}_1, \bar{\mathbf{p}}_2 \rangle \int \tilde{d}\mathbf{p}_1 \tilde{d}\mathbf{p}_2 \tilde{d}\mathbf{q}_1 \tilde{d}\mathbf{q}_2 \psi_1^*(\mathbf{p}_1) \psi_2^*(\mathbf{p}_1) \psi_1(\mathbf{q}_1) \psi_2(\mathbf{q}_1) \\
&\quad \times (2\pi)^4 \delta(p_f - p_1 - p_2) (2\pi)^4 \delta(q_1 + q_2 - p_1 - p_2) \\
&= \langle f | \mathcal{T} | \bar{\mathbf{p}}_1, \bar{\mathbf{p}}_2 \rangle^* \langle f | \mathcal{T} | \bar{\mathbf{p}}_1, \bar{\mathbf{p}}_2 \rangle \int d^4x \tilde{d}\mathbf{p}_1 \tilde{d}\mathbf{p}_2 \tilde{d}\mathbf{q}_1 \tilde{d}\mathbf{q}_2 \psi_1^*(\mathbf{p}_1) \psi_2^*(\mathbf{p}_1) \psi_1(\mathbf{q}_1) \psi_2(\mathbf{q}_1) \\
&\quad \times (2\pi)^4 \delta(p_f - p_1 - p_2) e^{-ix \cdot (q_1 + q_2 - p_1 - p_2)} \\
&= |\langle f | \mathcal{T} | \bar{\mathbf{p}}_1, \bar{\mathbf{p}}_2 \rangle|^2 (2\pi)^4 \delta(p_f - \bar{p}_1 - \bar{p}_2) \int d^4x |\psi_1(\mathbf{x})|^2 |\psi_2(\mathbf{x})|^2 \\
\frac{dW_{f \leftarrow i}}{dV dt} &= (2\pi)^4 \delta(p_f - \bar{p}_1 - \bar{p}_2) |\psi_1(\mathbf{x})|^2 |\psi_2(\mathbf{x})|^2 |\langle f | \mathcal{T} | \bar{\mathbf{p}}_1, \bar{\mathbf{p}}_2 \rangle|^2
\end{aligned}$$

- Probability from a unit space-time volume:

7. Factorization of the characteristic quantities of the beam and the target:

- particle 1: beam; particle 2: target in the laboratory rest frame
- target density:

$$\begin{aligned}
i\psi^*(x) \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_\mu \psi(x) &\approx i(e^{i\bar{p}_2 x} \partial_\mu e^{-i\bar{p}_2 x} - \partial_\mu e^{i\bar{p}_2 x} e^{-i\bar{p}_2 x}) = 2\bar{p}_{2,\mu} |\psi(x)|^2 \\
\frac{dn_2}{dV} &= 2\bar{p}_2^0 |\psi_2(x)|^2, \quad \bar{p}_2^0 = m_2
\end{aligned}$$

- incident beam flux:

$$\mathbf{j}_b = \underbrace{\frac{\bar{\mathbf{p}}_1}{\bar{p}_1^0}}_{\text{velocity}} \cdot \underbrace{2\bar{p}_1^0 |\psi_1(x)|^2}_{\text{density}} = 2\bar{\mathbf{p}}_1 |\psi_1(x)|^2$$

- Lorentz invariant differential cross section:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{dW_{f \leftarrow i}}{dV dt} &= \frac{dn_2}{dV} |\mathbf{j}_b| d\sigma \\
d\sigma &= \frac{dW_{f \leftarrow i}}{dV dt} \frac{dV}{dn_2} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{j}_b|} \\
&= \frac{(2\pi)^4 \delta(p_f - \bar{p}_1 - \bar{p}_2) |\psi_1(\mathbf{x})|^2 |\psi_2(\mathbf{x})|^2 |\langle f | \mathcal{T} | \bar{\mathbf{p}}_1, \bar{\mathbf{p}}_2 \rangle|^2}{2\bar{p}_2^0 |\psi_2(x)|^2 2\bar{\mathbf{p}}_1 |\psi_1(x)|^2} \\
&= (2\pi)^4 \delta(p_f - \bar{p}_1 - \bar{p}_2) \frac{|\langle f | \mathcal{T} | \bar{\mathbf{p}}_1, \bar{\mathbf{p}}_2 \rangle|^2}{4m_2 |\bar{\mathbf{p}}_1|} \\
&= (2\pi)^4 \delta(p_f - \bar{p}_1 - \bar{p}_2) \frac{|\langle f | \mathcal{T} | \bar{\mathbf{p}}_1, \bar{\mathbf{p}}_2 \rangle|^2}{4\sqrt{(p_1 p_2)^2 - m_1^2 m_2^2}} \\
&\left((p_1 p_2)^2 - m_1^2 m_2^2 \rightarrow (p_1^0 m_2)^2 - m_1^2 m_2^2 = m_2^2 (m_1^2 + \mathbf{p}_1^2 - m_1^2) = m_2^2 \mathbf{p}_1^2 \right)
\end{aligned}$$

- Final state momenta constrained in $\Delta \subset \mathbb{R}^{3n}$:

$$d\sigma = \underbrace{\frac{1}{4\sqrt{(p_1 \cdot p_2)^2 - m_1^2 m_2^2}} \int_{\Delta}}_{\text{kinematics}} d\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_1 \cdots d\tilde{\mathbf{q}}_n \overbrace{(2\pi)^4 \delta(p_f - \bar{p}_1 - \bar{p}_2)}^{\text{symmetry}} \underbrace{|\langle \mathbf{q}_1 \cdots \mathbf{q}_n | \mathcal{T} | \bar{\mathbf{p}}_1, \bar{\mathbf{p}}_2 \rangle|^2}_{\text{perturbation expansion}}$$

V. PERTURBATION EXPANSION

$$H = H_0 + H_i$$

Example:

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi - \frac{m^2}{2} \phi^2 - \frac{g}{4!} \phi^4 \\ T_c^{\mu\nu} &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_\mu \phi} \partial^\nu \phi - L g^{\mu\nu} \\ P^\nu &= \int d^3x T_c^{0\nu} = \int d^3x \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_0 \phi} \partial^\nu \phi - L g^{0\nu} \right) \\ H &= \int d^3x \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \partial_0 \phi} \partial_0 \phi - L \right) = \int d^3x \left[\frac{1}{2} (\partial_0 \phi)^2 + \frac{1}{2} (\boldsymbol{\partial} \phi)^2 + \frac{m^2}{2} \phi^2 + \frac{g}{4!} \phi^4 \right] \\ H_0 &= \int d^3x \left[\frac{1}{2} (\partial_0 \phi)^2 + \frac{1}{2} (\boldsymbol{\partial} \phi)^2 + \frac{m^2}{2} \phi^2 \right], \quad H_i = \frac{g}{4!} \int d^3x \phi^4. \end{aligned}$$

Transition amplitude (in terms of free field operators):

$$\begin{aligned} |i\rangle &= \phi_i(y_1) \cdots \phi_i(y_{m_i}) |0\rangle, \quad |f\rangle = \phi_f(z_1) \cdots \phi_f(z_{m_f}) |0\rangle \\ \mathcal{A} &= \langle 0 | \phi_f(z_1) \cdots \phi_f(z_{m_f}) T [e^{-i \int dt H_i(t)}] \phi_i(y_1) \cdots \phi_i(y_{m_i}) |0\rangle \\ &= Z^{-\frac{1}{2}(n_i + n_f)} \langle 0 | T [\phi(z_1) \cdots \phi(z_{m_f}) e^{-i \int dt H_i(t)} \phi(y_1) \cdots \phi(y_{m_i})] |0\rangle \\ &= \langle 0 | T [\phi_f(z_1) \cdots \phi_f(z_{m_f}) e^{-\frac{ig}{4!} \int d^4x \phi^4(x)} \phi_f(y_1) \cdots \phi_f(y_{m_i})] |0\rangle \quad \leftarrow Z = 1 \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{-ig}{4!} \right)^n \int dx_1 \cdots dx_n \langle 0 | T [\phi_f(z_1) \cdots \phi_f(z_{m_f}) \phi^4(x_1) \cdots \phi^4(x_n) \phi_f(y_1) \cdots \phi_f(y_{m_i})] |0\rangle \end{aligned}$$

A. Green functions

Hermitean field:

$$i^{\frac{n}{2}} G(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \langle 0 | T [\phi(x_1) \cdots \phi(x_n)] |0\rangle$$

Non-Hermitean field:

$$i^n G(x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_m) = \langle 0 | T [\phi(x_1) \cdots \phi(x_m) \phi^\dagger(y_1) \cdots \phi^\dagger(y_m)] |0\rangle$$

N.B. $G(x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_m) = 0$ for $m \neq n$

B. Propagator

1. Definition:

$$\begin{aligned}
iG_0(x, x') &= \langle 0|T[\phi(x)\phi^\dagger(x')]|0\rangle \\
&= \int \tilde{d}k\tilde{d}q \langle 0|T[(a(\mathbf{k})e^{-ikx} + b^\dagger(\mathbf{k})e^{ikx})(a^\dagger(\mathbf{q})e^{iqx'} + b(\mathbf{q})e^{-iqx'})]|0\rangle \\
&= \int \tilde{d}k\tilde{d}q [\Theta(t-t') \langle 0|a(\mathbf{k})a^\dagger(\mathbf{q})|0\rangle e^{iqx'-ikx} + \Theta(t'-t) \langle 0|b(\mathbf{q})b^\dagger(\mathbf{k})|0\rangle e^{ikx-iqx'}] \\
&= \int \tilde{d}k\tilde{d}q [\Theta(t-t') \langle 0|a^\dagger(\mathbf{q})a(\mathbf{k}) + (2\pi^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{q}})\delta(\mathbf{q}-\mathbf{k})|0\rangle e^{iqx'-ikx} \\
&\quad + \Theta(t'-t) \langle 0|b^\dagger(\mathbf{k})b(\mathbf{q}) + (2\pi^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{q}})\delta(\mathbf{q}-\mathbf{k})|0\rangle e^{ikx-iqx'}] \\
&= \int \tilde{d}k [\Theta(t-t')e^{-ik(x-x')} + \Theta(t'-t)e^{ik(x-x')}].
\end{aligned}$$

2. Interpretation: $\phi \approx a + b^\dagger$, $\phi^\dagger \approx b + a^\dagger$:

$$G(x, y) \text{ is the transition amplitude of a particle (anti-particle) for } x^0 > y^0 \text{ (} x^0 < y^0 \text{)}$$

3. E.O.M.:

$$(\square_x + m^2)T[\phi(x)\phi^\dagger(y)] = -i\delta(x-y)\mathbb{1} + \text{mass - shell contributions} \quad (\square + m^2 = -p^2 + m^2 = 0)$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}
&(\square_x + m^2)T[\phi(x)\phi^\dagger(y)] \\
&= (\square_x + m^2)[\Theta(x^0 - y^0)\phi(x)\phi^\dagger(y) + \Theta(y^0 - x^0)\phi^\dagger(y)\phi(x)] \\
&= T[(-\Delta_{\mathbf{x}} + m^2)\phi(x)\phi^\dagger(y)] + \partial_{x^0}^2[\Theta(x^0 - y^0)\phi(x)\phi^\dagger(y) + \Theta(y^0 - x^0)\phi^\dagger(y)\phi(x)] \\
&= T[(-\Delta_{\mathbf{x}} + m^2)\phi(x)\phi^\dagger(y)] + \partial_{x^0}\{T[\partial_0\phi(x)\phi^\dagger(y)] + \delta(x^0 - y^0)[\phi(x)\phi^\dagger(y) - \phi^\dagger(y)\phi(x)]\} \\
&= T[(-\Delta_{\mathbf{x}} + m^2)\phi(x)\phi^\dagger(y)] + \partial_{x^0}\{T[\partial_0\phi(x)\phi^\dagger(y)] + \delta(x^0 - y^0)[\phi(x), \phi^\dagger(y)]\} \\
&= T[(-\Delta_{\mathbf{x}} + m^2)\phi(x)\phi^\dagger(y)] + \partial_{x^0}T[\partial_0\phi(x)\phi^\dagger(y)] \\
&= T[(-\Delta_{\mathbf{x}} + m^2)\phi(x)\phi^\dagger(y)] + T[\partial_0^2\phi(x)\phi^\dagger(y)] + \delta(x^0 - y^0)[\underbrace{\partial_0\phi(x)}_{\frac{\partial L}{\partial\partial_0\phi^\dagger}=\pi^\dagger}, \phi^\dagger(y)] \\
&= T[\underbrace{(\square_x + m^2)\phi(x)\phi^\dagger(y)}_{=0 \text{ (E.O.M.)}}] - i\delta(x-y)\mathbb{1} \\
&= -i\delta(x-y)\mathbb{1} \quad \leftarrow \quad [\pi^\dagger(x), \phi^\dagger(y)] = -i\delta(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})
\end{aligned}$$

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operator for functions Fock space operator

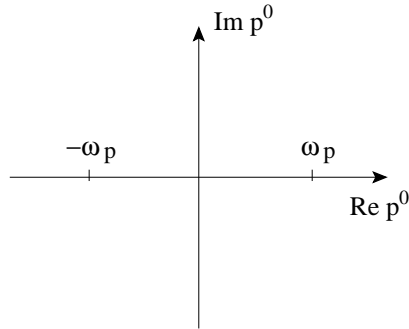
4. Vacuum expectation value of the E.O.M.:

$$(\square_x + m^2)\langle 0|T[\phi(x)\phi^\dagger(y)]|0\rangle = (\square_x + m^2)iG(x, y) = -i\delta(x-y)$$

5. *Solution:*

$$\begin{aligned}
 G(x, y) &= \int \frac{dp}{(2\pi)^4} e^{-ip(x-y)} G(p) \\
 (\square_x + m^2)G(x, y) &= \int \frac{dp}{(2\pi)^4} e^{-ip(x-y)} (-p^2 + m^2)G(p) = -i\delta(x-y) = -i \int \frac{dp}{(2\pi)^4} e^{-ip(x-y)} \\
 G(x, y) &= -(\square + m^2)^{-1} = \int \frac{dp}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{e^{-ip(x-y)}}{p^2 - m^2} \leftarrow \square \sim -p^2
 \end{aligned}$$

6. *Singularities:* mass-shell, $p^2 = m^2$



Way to avoid:

- Mathematics: Infinitesimal deformation of the contour of integration, $\omega_{\mathbf{p}} \rightarrow \omega_{\mathbf{p}} \pm i\epsilon$
- Physics:
 - (a) QFT: interaction with radiation \implies radiation loss \implies irreversibility
 - (b) \mathcal{T} : non-perturbative, can not be left for radiative corrections \implies break by H_0
 - (c) phase transitions \implies infinitesimal \mathcal{T}
 - (d) infinitesimal \mathcal{T} :

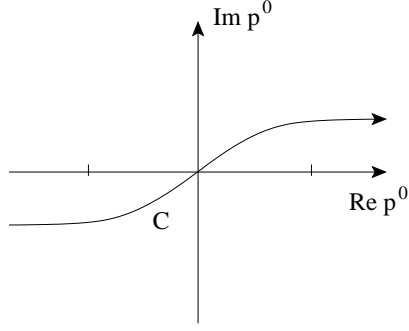
$$e^{-it\omega_{\mathbf{p}}} \rightarrow \begin{cases} e^{-it(\omega_{\mathbf{p}} - i\epsilon)} & \text{particle, } t > 0 \\ e^{-it(-\omega_{\mathbf{p}} + i\epsilon)} & \text{anti-particle, } t < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\omega_{\mathbf{p}} = \sqrt{m^2 + \mathbf{p}^2} \rightarrow \sqrt{m^2 + \mathbf{p}^2 - i\epsilon'} = \sqrt{m^2 + \mathbf{p}^2} \sqrt{1 - i \frac{\epsilon'}{m^2 + \mathbf{p}^2}} = \omega_{\mathbf{p}} - i\epsilon$$

7. Feynman propagator:

(a) Scalar particle:

$$G(x, y) = \int \frac{dp}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{e^{-ip(x-y)}}{p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}$$



(b) Gauge boson:

$$\begin{aligned}
 L &= -\frac{1}{4}F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu} + \frac{m^2}{2}A^\mu A_\mu - \frac{\lambda}{2}(\partial^\mu A_\mu)^2 \\
 iG_{\mu\nu}(x, y) &= \langle 0|T[A_\mu(x)A_\nu(y)]|0\rangle \\
 &= -i \int \frac{dp}{(2\pi)^4} e^{-ip(x-y)} \left(\frac{g_{\mu\nu} - \frac{p_\mu p_\nu}{m^2}}{p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} + \frac{\frac{p_\mu p_\nu}{m^2}}{p^2 - \frac{m^2}{\lambda^2} + i\epsilon} \right) \leftarrow \mathcal{O}(p^0)!!!
 \end{aligned}$$

(c) Fermion:

$$\begin{aligned}
 L &= \bar{\psi}[i\cancel{\partial} - m]\psi \\
 iG_{\alpha\beta}(x, y) &= \langle 0|T[\psi_\alpha(x)\bar{\psi}_\beta(y)]|0\rangle \\
 &= i \int \frac{dp}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{e^{-ip(x-y)}}{\not{p} - m + i\epsilon} \\
 &= i \int \frac{dp}{(2\pi)^4} e^{-ip(x-y)} \frac{\not{p} + m}{p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} \\
 &\quad \nearrow \\
 &(\not{p} + m)(\not{p} - m) = p^2 - m^2
 \end{aligned}$$

C. Weak form of Wick theorem

1. Perturbation expansion:

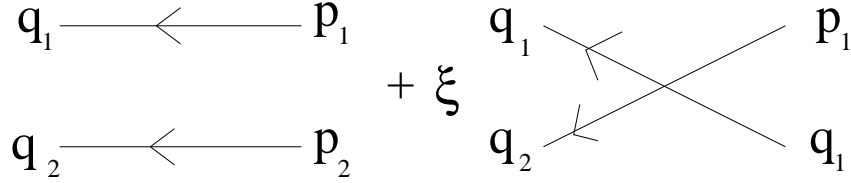
$$\begin{aligned}
 |i\rangle &= \phi_i(y_1) \cdots \phi_i(y_{m_i})|0\rangle, \quad |f\rangle = \phi_f(z_1) \cdots \phi_f(z_{m_f})|0\rangle \\
 \mathcal{A} &= \langle 0|\phi_f(z_1) \cdots \phi_f(z_{m_f})T[e^{-i\int dt H_i(t)}]\phi_i(y_1) \cdots \phi_i(y_{m_i})|0\rangle \\
 &= Z^{-\frac{1}{2}(n_i+n_f)} \langle 0|T[\phi(z_1) \cdots \phi(z_{m_f})e^{-i\int dt H_i(t)}\phi(y_1) \cdots \phi(y_{m_i})]|0\rangle \\
 &= \langle 0|T[\phi_f(z_1) \cdots \phi_f(z_{m_f})e^{-\frac{ig}{4!}\int d^4x \phi^4(x)}\phi_f(y_1) \cdots \phi_f(y_{m_i})]|0\rangle \leftarrow Z = 1 \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{-ig}{4!} \right)^n \int dx_1 \cdots dx_n \underbrace{\langle 0|T[\phi_f(z_1) \cdots \phi_f(z_{m_f})\phi^4(x_1) \cdots \phi^4(x_n)\phi_f(y_1) \cdots \phi_f(y_{m_i})]|0\rangle}_{\text{in terms of free propagator}}
 \end{aligned}$$

2. Simple example: $A = \langle 0|a(\mathbf{q}_1)a(\mathbf{q}_2)a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1)a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2)|0\rangle$

Partnership of operators: pairing

- (a) A : vacuum \rightarrow vacuum
 (b) \frown : partners, one creates the other removes an excitation
 (c) non-interacting excitations \implies product of contributions

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \langle 0 | a(\mathbf{q}_1) \overbrace{a(\mathbf{q}_2) a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2)}^{\mathbf{q}_2=\mathbf{p}_2} a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1) | 0 \rangle \\
 &= \langle 0 | a(\mathbf{q}_1) [\xi a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2) a(\mathbf{q}_2) + \overbrace{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{p}_2} \delta(\mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{q}_2)}^{\mathbf{q}_2=\mathbf{p}_1}] a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1) | 0 \rangle \\
 &= \xi \langle 0 | a(\mathbf{q}_1) a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2) \overbrace{a(\mathbf{q}_2) a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1)}^{\mathbf{q}_2=\mathbf{p}_1} | 0 \rangle + \overbrace{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{p}_2} \delta(\mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{q}_2)}^{\mathbf{q}_1=\mathbf{p}_1} \langle 0 | a(\mathbf{q}_1) a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1) | 0 \rangle \\
 &= \xi \langle 0 | \overbrace{a(\mathbf{q}_1) a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2)}^{\mathbf{q}_1=\mathbf{p}_2} [\xi a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1) a(\mathbf{q}_2) + \overbrace{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{p}_1} \delta(\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{q}_2)}^{\mathbf{q}_1=\mathbf{p}_1}] | 0 \rangle \\
 &\quad + \overbrace{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{p}_2} \delta(\mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{q}_2)}^{\mathbf{q}_1=\mathbf{p}_2} \langle 0 | [\xi a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1) a(\mathbf{q}_1) + \overbrace{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{p}_1} \delta(\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{q}_1)}^{\mathbf{q}_1=\mathbf{p}_1}] | 0 \rangle \\
 &= \xi \overbrace{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{p}_1} \delta(\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{q}_2)}^{\mathbf{q}_1=\mathbf{p}_2} \langle 0 | \xi a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_2) a(\mathbf{q}_1) + \overbrace{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{p}_2} \delta(\mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{q}_1)}^{\mathbf{q}_1=\mathbf{p}_1} | 0 \rangle \\
 &\quad + \overbrace{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{p}_2} \delta(\mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{q}_2)}^{\mathbf{q}_1=\mathbf{p}_2} \langle 0 | [\xi a^\dagger(\mathbf{p}_1) a(\mathbf{q}_1) + \overbrace{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{p}_1} \delta(\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{q}_1)}^{\mathbf{q}_1=\mathbf{p}_1}] | 0 \rangle \\
 &= \xi \overbrace{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{p}_2} \delta(\mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{q}_1)}^{\mathbf{q}_1=\mathbf{p}_2} \overbrace{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{p}_1} \delta(\mathbf{q}_1 - \mathbf{p}_1)}^{\mathbf{q}_1=\mathbf{p}_1} + \overbrace{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{p}_2} \delta(\mathbf{p}_2 - \mathbf{q}_2)}^{\mathbf{q}_1=\mathbf{p}_2} \overbrace{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{\mathbf{p}_2} \delta(\mathbf{q}_1 - \mathbf{p}_1)}^{\mathbf{q}_1=\mathbf{p}_1}
 \end{aligned}$$



3. Time ordered product:

Partnership of operators: pairing

- (a) A : vacuum \rightarrow vacuum
 (b) \frown : partners, one creates the other removes an excitation
 i. Pair of operators A, B : $[A, B]_\xi = c(A, B)\mathbb{1}$

ii. We need:

A. $\langle 0 | \widehat{AB} | 0 \rangle = \langle 0 | T[AB] | 0 \rangle$ to find the propagator

B. $\widehat{AB} = f(A, B)\mathbb{1}$, $f(A, B)$ being a c-number: to factorize the propagator

iii. Solution: $\widehat{AB} = T[AB]_- : AB :$

A. $\langle 0 | T[AB]_- : AB : | 0 \rangle = \langle 0 | T[AB] | 0 \rangle$ since $\langle 0 | : AB : | 0 \rangle = 0$

B. $\widehat{AB} = T[AB]_- : AB := \begin{cases} \pm(AB - AB) = 0\mathbb{1} \\ \pm(AB - BA) = \pm c(A, B)\mathbb{1} \end{cases}$

(c) non-interacting excitations \implies product of contributions

Example: $\phi(x) = A(x) + B^\dagger(x)$, $\overbrace{A(x)B(y)} = \overbrace{A^\dagger(x)B^\dagger(y)} = 0$

$$\overbrace{\phi(x)\phi^\dagger(y)} = \overbrace{[A(x) + B^\dagger(x)][A^\dagger(y) + B(y)]} = \overbrace{A(x)A^\dagger(y)} + \overbrace{B^\dagger(x)B(y)},$$

$$\begin{aligned} i^2 G(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2) &= \langle 0|T[\phi(x_1)\phi(x_2)\phi^\dagger(y_1)\phi^\dagger(y_2)]|0\rangle \\ &= \langle 0|T[\overbrace{\phi(x_1)[\phi(x_2)\phi^\dagger(y_1) + : \phi(x_2)\phi^\dagger(y_1) :]} + : \phi^\dagger(y_2)]|0\rangle \\ &= \langle 0|\overbrace{\phi(x_1)\phi^\dagger(y_2)} + : \phi(x_1)\phi^\dagger(y_2) : |0\rangle \langle 0|\overbrace{\phi(x_2)\phi^\dagger(y_1)} |0\rangle + \langle 0|T[\phi(x_1) : \phi(x_2)\phi^\dagger(y_1) : \phi^\dagger(y_2)]|0\rangle \\ &= \langle 0|\overbrace{\phi(x_1)\phi^\dagger(y_2)} |0\rangle \langle 0|\overbrace{\phi(x_2)\phi^\dagger(y_1)} |0\rangle + \langle 0|T[\phi(x_1) : \phi(x_2)\phi^\dagger(y_1) : \phi^\dagger(y_2)]|0\rangle \\ &= \langle 0|\overbrace{\phi(x_1)\phi^\dagger(y_2)} |0\rangle \langle 0|\overbrace{\phi(x_2)\phi^\dagger(y_1)} |0\rangle \\ &\quad + \langle 0|T[\underbrace{\phi(x_1)}_{A+B^\dagger} [\xi A^\dagger(y_1)A(x_2) + A(x_2)B(y_1) + B^\dagger(x_2)A^\dagger(y_1) + B^\dagger(x_2)B(y_1)] \underbrace{\phi^\dagger(y_2)}_{A^\dagger+B}]|0\rangle \\ &= \langle 0|\overbrace{\phi(x_1)\phi^\dagger(y_2)} |0\rangle \langle 0|\overbrace{\phi(x_2)\phi^\dagger(y_1)} |0\rangle \\ &\quad + \xi \langle 0|\overbrace{A(x_1)A^\dagger(y_1)} |0\rangle \langle 0|\overbrace{A(x_2)A^\dagger(y_2)} |0\rangle + \xi \langle 0|\overbrace{B^\dagger(x_1)B(y_1)} |0\rangle \langle 0|\overbrace{A(x_2)A^\dagger(y_2)} |0\rangle \\ &\quad + \xi \langle 0|\overbrace{A(x_1)A^\dagger(y_1)} |0\rangle \langle 0|\overbrace{B^\dagger(x_2)B(y_2)} |0\rangle + \xi \langle 0|\overbrace{B^\dagger(x_1)B(y_1)} |0\rangle \langle 0|\overbrace{B^\dagger(x_2)B(y_2)} |0\rangle \\ &= \langle 0|\overbrace{\phi(x_1)\phi^\dagger(y_2)} |0\rangle \langle 0|\overbrace{\phi(x_2)\phi^\dagger(y_1)} |0\rangle + \xi \langle 0|\overbrace{\phi(x_1)\phi^\dagger(y_1)} |0\rangle \langle 0|\overbrace{\phi(x_2)\phi^\dagger(y_2)} |0\rangle \end{aligned}$$

4. Wick's theorem:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle 0|T[\phi(x_1)\cdots\phi(x_n)\phi^\dagger(y_1)\cdots\phi^\dagger(y_n)]|0\rangle &= i^n G_0(x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n) \\ &= \sum_{\pi \in S_n} \xi^{\sigma_\pi} \langle 0|T[\phi(x_1)\phi^\dagger(y_{\pi(1)})]|0\rangle \cdots \langle 0|T[\phi(x_n)\phi^\dagger(y_{\pi(n)})]|0\rangle \\ &= \sum_{\pi \in S_n} \xi^{\sigma_\pi} i G_0(x_1 - y_{\pi(1)}) \cdots i G_0(x_n - y_{\pi(n)}) \\ \langle 0|T[\phi(x_1)\cdots\phi(x_{2n})]|0\rangle &= i^n G(x_1, \dots, x_{2n}) \\ &= \frac{1}{n!2^n} \sum_{\pi \in S_{2n}} \langle 0|T[\phi(x_{\pi(1)})\phi(x_{\pi(2)})]|0\rangle \cdots \langle 0|T[\phi(x_{\pi(2n-1)})\phi(x_{\pi(2n)})]|0\rangle \\ &= \frac{i^n}{n!2^n} \sum_{\pi \in S_{2n}} G(x_{\pi(1)} - x_{\pi(2)}) \cdots G(x_{\pi(2n-1)} - x_{\pi(2n)}) \end{aligned}$$

($n!$: possible order of the n pairs of space-time points, 2^n : double counting of each pair)

D. Scalar field theory

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi - \frac{m^2}{2} \phi^2 - \frac{g}{4!} \phi^4$$

1. Perturbation expansion:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle 0|T[\phi(y)S\phi(x)]|0\rangle &= \langle 0|T[\phi(y)e^{-i\frac{g}{4!} \int dz \phi^4(z)}\phi(x)]|0\rangle \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{-ig}{4!}\right)^n \frac{1}{n!} \int dz_1 \cdots dz_n \langle 0|T[\phi(y)\phi^4(z_1) \cdots \phi^4(z_n)\phi(x)]|0\rangle \\ &= \langle 0|T[\phi(y)\phi(x)]|0\rangle - \frac{ig}{4!} \int dz \langle 0|T[\phi(y)\phi^4(z)\phi(x)]|0\rangle \\ &\quad + \frac{(-ig)^2}{2(4!)^2} \int dz_1 dz_2 \langle 0|T[\phi(y)\phi^4(z_1)\phi^4(z_2)\phi(x)]|0\rangle + \mathcal{O}(g^3). \end{aligned}$$

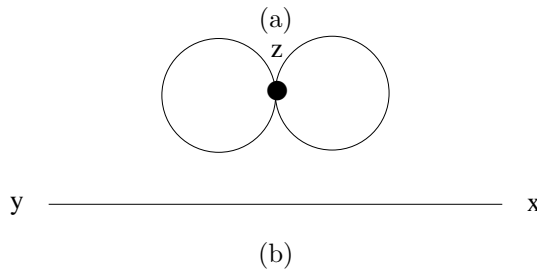
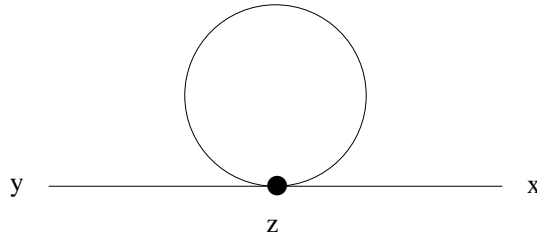
2. $\mathcal{O}(g^0)$:

$$\langle 0|T[\phi(y)S\phi(x)]|0\rangle^{(0)} = \langle 0|T[\phi(y)\phi(x)]|0\rangle = iG(x, y).$$



3. $\mathcal{O}(g)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle 0|T[\phi(y)S\phi(x)]|0\rangle^{(1)} &= -\frac{ig}{4!} \int dz \langle 0|T[\phi(y)\phi^4(z)\phi(x)]|0\rangle \\ &= \underbrace{-\frac{ig}{2} \int dz iG(y, z) iG(z, z) iG(z, x)}_{(a)} - \underbrace{\frac{ig}{8} \int dz iG(y, x) iG(z, z) iG(z, z)}_{(b)} \end{aligned}$$



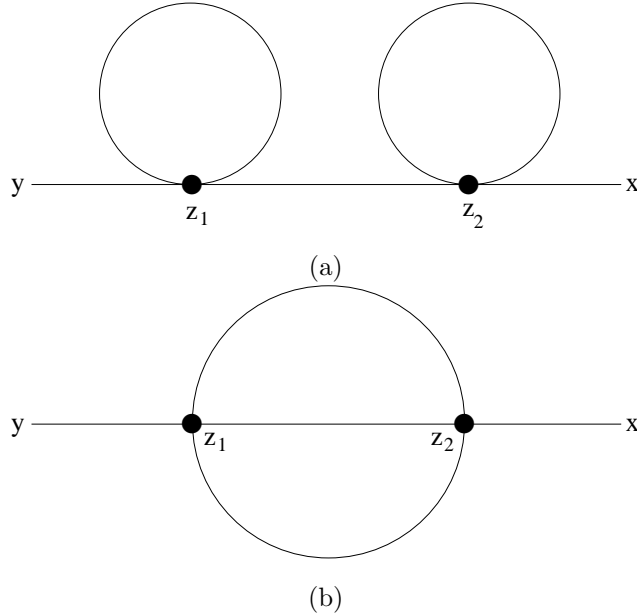
4. Momentum space:

$$\begin{aligned}
G_a^{(1)}(p) &= \int dy e^{-ip(y-x)} \langle 0|T[\phi(y)S\phi(x)]|0\rangle_a^{(1)} \\
&= -\frac{g}{2} \int dy e^{-ip(y-x)} \int dz \frac{dp_1}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{dp_2}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{dp_3}{(2\pi)^4} G(p_1)G(p_2)G(p_3) e^{ip_1(y-z)+ip_2(z-z)+ip_3(z-x)} \\
&= -\frac{g}{2} \int dy e^{-ip(y-x)} \int \frac{dp_1}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{dp_2}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{dp_3}{(2\pi)^4} (2\pi)^4 \delta(p_1 - p_3) G(p_1)G(p_2)G(p_3) e^{ip_1 y - ip_3 x} \\
&= -\frac{g}{2} G^2(p) \int \frac{dp_2}{(2\pi)^4} G(p_2) \\
&= \frac{g}{2} \frac{1}{(p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon)^2} \int \frac{dp_2}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{p_2^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}
\end{aligned}$$

5. Disconnected bubble graphs drop:

$$\begin{aligned}
iG_{\text{int}}(y, x) &= \frac{\langle 0|T[\phi(y)S\phi(x)]|0\rangle}{\langle 0|S|0\rangle} \\
&= \frac{\langle 0|T[\phi(y)\phi(x)]|0\rangle - \frac{ig}{4!} \int dz \langle 0|T[\phi(y)\phi^4(z)\phi(x)]|0\rangle}{\langle 0|0\rangle - \frac{ig}{4!} \int dz \langle 0|\phi^4(z)|0\rangle} + \mathcal{O}(g^2) \\
&= \langle 0|T[\phi(y)\phi(x)]|0\rangle - \frac{ig}{4!} \int dz \langle 0|T[\phi(y)\phi^4(z)\phi(x)]|0\rangle \\
&\quad + \frac{ig}{4!} \langle 0|T[\phi(y)\phi(x)]|0\rangle \int dz \langle 0|\phi^4(z)|0\rangle + \mathcal{O}(g^2) \\
&= \langle 0|T[\phi(y)\phi(x)]|0\rangle - \frac{ig}{4!} \int dz \langle 0|T[\phi(y)\phi^4(z)\phi(x)]|0\rangle_a + \mathcal{O}(g^2).
\end{aligned}$$

6. Connected $\mathcal{O}(g^2)$ graphs:



$$\begin{aligned}
\langle 0|T[\phi(y)S\phi(x)]|0\rangle^{(2)} &= \frac{(-ig)^2}{2(4!)^2} \int dz_1 dz_2 \langle 0|T[\phi(y)\phi^4(z_1)\phi^4(z_2)\phi(x)]|0\rangle \\
&= \frac{(-ig)^2}{4} \underbrace{\int dz_1 dz_2 iG(y-z_1)iG(z_1-z_1)iG(z_1-z_2)iG(z_2-z_2)iG(z_2-x)}_{(a)} \\
&\quad + \frac{(-ig)^2}{3!} \underbrace{\int dz_1 dz_2 iG(y-z_1)[iG(z_1-z_1)]^3 iG(z_2-x)}_{(b)},
\end{aligned}$$

Momentum space:

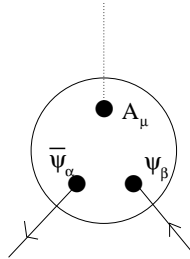
$$\begin{aligned}
iG_a^{(2)}(p) &= \int dy e^{-ip(y-x)} \langle 0|T[\phi(y)S\phi(x)]|0\rangle_a^{(2)} \\
&= -\frac{ig^2}{4} \int dy e^{-ip(y-x)} \int dz_1 dz_2 \frac{dp_1}{(2\pi)^4} \cdots \frac{dp_5}{(2\pi)^4} G(p_1)G(p_2)G(p_3)G(p_4)G(p_5) \\
&\quad \times e^{ip_1(y-z_1)+ip_2(z_1-z_1)+ip_3(z_1-z_2)+ip_4(z_2-z_2)+ip_5(z_2-x)} \\
&= -\frac{ig}{4} G^3(p) \left[\int \frac{dp_2}{(2\pi)^4} G(p_2) \right]^2 \\
iG_b^{(2)}(p) &= \int dy e^{-ip(y-x)} \langle 0|T[\phi(y)S\phi(x)]|0\rangle_b^{(2)} \\
&= -\frac{ig^2}{4} \int dy e^{-ip(y-x)} \int dz_1 dz_2 \frac{dp_1}{(2\pi)^4} \cdots \frac{dp_5}{(2\pi)^4} G(p_1)G(p_2)G(p_3)G(p_4)G(p_5) \\
&\quad \times e^{ip_1(y-z_1)+ip_2(z_1-z_2)+ip_3(z_1-z_2)+ip_4(z_1-z_2)+ip_5(z_2-x)} \\
&= -\frac{ig}{4} G^2(p) \int \frac{dp_2}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{dp_3}{(2\pi)^4} G(p_2)G(p_3)G(p-p_2-p_3)
\end{aligned}$$

E. QED

$$L = \bar{\psi}[i\gamma^\mu(\partial_\mu - ieA_\mu) - m]\psi - \frac{1}{4}F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu} - \frac{\lambda}{2}(\partial^\mu A_\mu)^2, \quad F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu$$

1. Perturbation expansion:

$$H_i = e \int d^3x \bar{\psi}\gamma^\mu\psi A_\mu.$$



2. Elastic $e^-e^- \rightarrow e^-e^-$ scattering:

- *Scattering amplitude:*

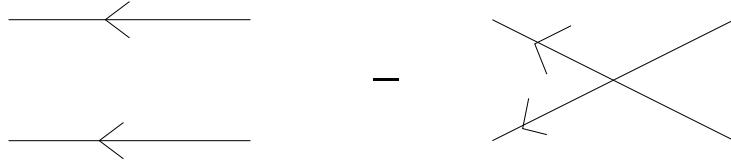
$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{A} &= \langle 0 | \psi_{f\beta_1}(z_1) \psi_{f\beta_2}(z_2) S \psi_{i\alpha_1}(y_1) \psi_{f\alpha_2}(y_2) | 0 \rangle_0 \\
&= \langle 0 | \psi_{f\beta_1}(z_1) \psi_{f\beta_2}(z_2) T [e^{-ie \int dx \bar{\psi}(x) \gamma^\mu \psi(x) A_\mu(x)}] \psi_{i\alpha_1}(y_1) \psi_{f\alpha_2}(y_2) | 0 \rangle_0 \\
&= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-ie)^n}{n!} \int dx_1 \cdots dx_n \\
&\quad \times \langle 0 | T [\psi_{\beta_1}(z_1) \psi_{\beta_2}(z_2) \bar{\psi}(x_1) \gamma^{\mu_1} \psi(x_1) A_{\mu_1}(x_1) \cdots \bar{\psi}(x_n) \gamma^{\mu_n} \psi(x_n) A_{\mu_n}(x_n) \psi_{\alpha_1}(y_1) \psi_{\alpha_2}(y_2)] | 0 \rangle_0.
\end{aligned}$$

- *Factorization of the electron and the photon Fock spaces:*

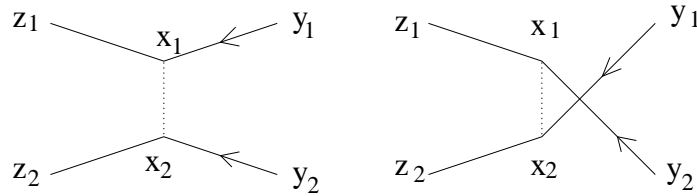
$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{A} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-ie)^n}{n!} \int dx_1 \cdots dx_n \langle 0 | T [A_{\mu_1}(x_1) \cdots A_{\mu_n}(x_n)] | 0 \rangle_0 \\
&\quad \times \langle 0 | T [\psi_{\beta_1}(z_1) \psi_{\beta_2}(z_2) \bar{\psi}(x_1) \gamma^{\mu_1} \psi(x_1) \cdots \bar{\psi}(x_n) \gamma^{\mu_n} \psi(x_n) \bar{\psi}_{\alpha_1}(y_1) \bar{\psi}_{\alpha_2}(y_2)] | 0 \rangle_0 \\
&= \langle 0 | T [\psi_{\beta_1}(z_1) \psi_{\beta_2}(z_2) \bar{\psi}_{\alpha_1}(y_1) \bar{\psi}_{\alpha_2}(y_2)] | 0 \rangle_0 \\
&\quad + \frac{(-ie)^2}{2!} \int dx_1 dx_2 \langle 0 | T [A_{\mu_1}(x_1) A_{\mu_2}(x_2)] | 0 \rangle_0 \\
&\quad \times \langle 0 | T [\psi_{\beta_1}(z_1) \psi_{\beta_2}(z_2) \bar{\psi}(x_1) \gamma^{\mu_1} \psi(x_1) \bar{\psi}(x_2) \gamma^{\mu_2} \psi(x_2) \bar{\psi}_{\alpha_1}(y_1) \bar{\psi}_{\alpha_2}(y_2)] | 0 \rangle_0 + \mathcal{O}(e^4).
\end{aligned}$$

- $\mathcal{O}(e^0)$:

$$\langle 0 | T [\psi_{\beta_1}(z_1) \psi_{\beta_2}(z_2) \bar{\psi}_{\alpha_1}(y_1) \bar{\psi}_{\alpha_2}(y_2)] | 0 \rangle_0$$



- $\mathcal{O}(e^2)$:



$$\begin{aligned}
&-e^2 \int dx_1 dx_2 iD_{\mu_1 \mu_2}(x_1 - x_2) iG_{\beta_1 \kappa_1}(z_1 - x_1) \gamma_{\kappa_1 \rho_1}^{\mu_1} iG_{\rho_1 \alpha_1}(x_1 - y_1) iG_{\beta_1 \kappa_1}(z_2 - x_2) \gamma_{\kappa_2 \rho_2}^{\mu_2} iG_{\rho_2 \alpha_2}(x_2 - y_2) \\
&+ e^2 \int dx_1 dx_2 iD_{\mu_1 \mu_2}(x_1 - x_2) iG_{\beta_1 \kappa_1}(z_1 - x_1) \gamma_{\kappa_1 \rho_1}^{\mu_1} iG_{\rho_1 \alpha_1}(x_1 - y_2) iG_{\beta_1 \kappa_1}(z_2 - x_2) \gamma_{\kappa_2 \rho_2}^{\mu_2} iG_{\rho_2 \alpha_2}(x_2 - y_1).
\end{aligned}$$

3. Feynman rules:

- *Definition of the process:*

(a) Initial state: $(n_{i-} \times e^-) + (n_{i+} \times e^+) + (n_{i0} \times \gamma)$

(b) Final state: $(n_{f-} \times e^-) + (n_{f+} \times e^+) + (n_{f0} \times \gamma)$

(c) $\mathcal{O}(e^\ell)$

- *Place symbols on the paper:*

– External legs

$$\left(\prod_{j=1}^{n_{i0}} A_{\mu_j^{i0}}(y_j^{i0}) \right) \left(\prod_{j=1}^{n_{i+}} \psi_{\alpha_j^{i+}}(y_j^{i+}) \right) \left(\prod_{j=1}^{n_{i-}} \bar{\psi}_{\alpha_j^{i-}}(y_j^{i-}) \right) \\ \left(\prod_{j=1}^{n_{f0}} A_{\mu_j^{f0}}(y_j^{f0}) \right) \left(\prod_{j=1}^{n_{f+}} \bar{\psi}_{\alpha_j^{f+}}(y_j^{f+}) \right) \left(\prod_{j=1}^{n_{f-}} \psi_{\alpha_j^{f-}}(y_j^{f-}) \right)$$

– Vertices:

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\ell} A_{\mu^k}(z_k) \bar{\psi}(z_k) \gamma^{\mu^k} \psi(z_k)$$

- *List all (topologically) different pairing:*

Paired symbols are connected by lines (propagators):

– Electron (positron):

$$\langle 0|T[\psi_a(x)\bar{\psi}_b(y)]|0\rangle = iG_{a,b}(x,y)$$

– Photon:

$$\langle 0|T[A_\mu(x)A_\nu(y)]|0\rangle = iD_{\mu,\nu}(x,y)$$

- *Integration over vertex position:*

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\ell} \int dz_k$$

- *Prefactor:*

number of closed fermion loops

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$$\frac{(-ie)^\ell}{\ell!} (-1)^N S_G$$

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number of (topological) identical graphs

F. Renormalization

1. Fixing QED:

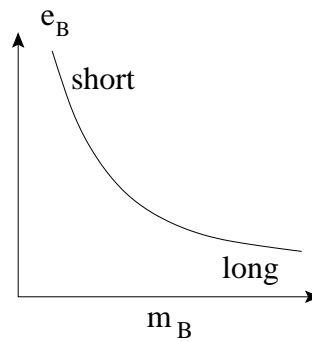
$$L = \bar{\psi}[i\gamma^\mu(\partial_\mu - ie_B A_\mu) - m_B]\psi - \frac{1}{4}F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu}$$

$$P_1 = F_1(m_B, e_B, \Lambda)$$

$$P_2 = F_2(m_B, e_B, \Lambda)$$

2. Renormalized trajectory: physical parameters at the scale Λ

$$m_B = m_B(\Lambda), \quad e_B = e_B(\Lambda)$$



3. Renormalizable theory: $\lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty}$ exists

4. Non-renormalizable theory:

- *Fixing conditions are not invertible beyond a certain cutoff:* There is a maximal Λ_L (Landau pole)
- *Strong interactions at short distances:* $g_B(\Lambda_L) = \infty$

5. Asymptotical freedom: Renormalizable theory with $\lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} g_B(\Lambda) = 0$

(Non-Abelian gauge theories)

6. Non-asymptotical free: There is always a Landau pole (numerical results only)

($U(1)$ and the Higgs sectors of SM)