

§ 4. Ultraviolet Divergence & Regularization.

(use self-energy as an example.)

§ 4.1 Evaluate 1-loop Self-Energy

$$\Sigma^{1\text{-loop}} = (-ie^2) \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{\gamma^\mu (\not{p} + \not{k} + m) \gamma_\mu}{[(p+k)^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon] [k^2 + i\epsilon]}$$

(numerator) = $[-2(\cancel{p+k}) + 4m]$

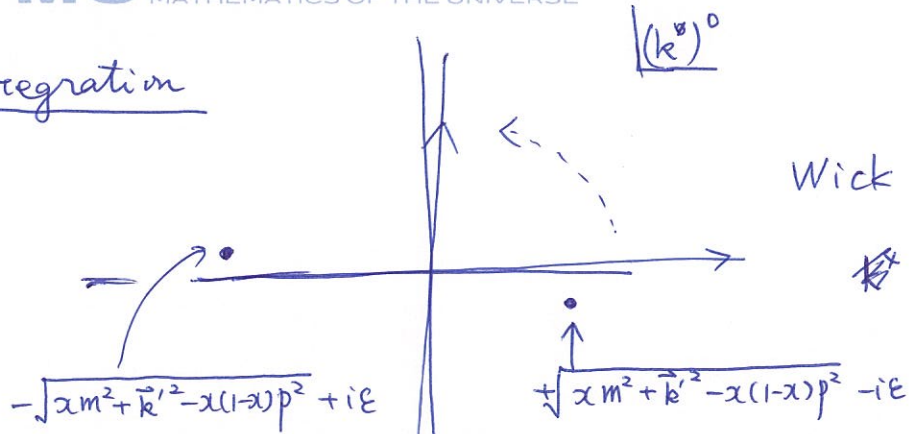
$(\gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu \gamma_\mu = -2\gamma^\nu, \quad \gamma^\mu \gamma_\mu = 4)$

$$\left[\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{AB} &= \int_0^1 dx \frac{1}{[xA + (1-x)B]^2} = \int_0^1 dx_1 dx_2 \frac{\delta(x_1 + x_2 - 1)}{[x_1 A + x_2 B]^2} \\ \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^N A_i} &= \int_0^1 dx_i \frac{\delta(\sum x_i - 1) (N-1)!}{[\sum x_i A_i]^N} \end{aligned} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma &= (-ie^2) \int_0^1 dx \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{[-2(\cancel{p+k}) + 4m]}{[k^2 + 2xk \cdot p + xp^2 - xm^2 + i\epsilon]^2} \\ &\quad \text{''} \\ &\quad (k + xp)^2 + x(1-x)p^2 - xm^2 + i\epsilon \\ &\quad \text{''} \\ &\quad k' \\ &= (-ie^2) \int_0^1 dx \int \frac{d^4k'}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{[-2(\cancel{p(1-x)} + \cancel{k}') + 4m]}{[(k')^2 + x(1-x)p^2 - xm^2 + i\epsilon]^2} \end{aligned}$$

denominator : even. under $k'_\mu \rightarrow -k'_\mu$.
 \Rightarrow drop k' in numerator.

(k^0) integration



Wick rotation.

deformed contour $\int_{-i\infty}^{+i\infty} dk^0 \Rightarrow i \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dk^E$

Euclidean signature.

$$\Sigma = \underbrace{(-ie^2)}_{(+e^2)} \int_0^1 dx \int \frac{d^4 k_E}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{[-2\not{x}(1-x) + 4m]}{[k_E^2 + xm^2 - x(1-x)p^2]^2}$$

from the region $|k_E| \gg m^2, p^2$,

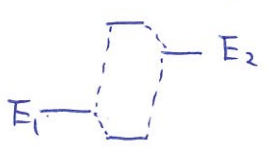
$$\Sigma \sim e^2 \frac{d|k_E|}{(16\pi^2)} \frac{k_E^3}{k_E} = \frac{e^2}{(16\pi^2)^x} (\text{log divergence})$$

from large $|k_E|$ region.

Ultraviolet divergence

§ 4.2. Time-ordered Perturbation Theory (digression)

Quantum mechanics w/ two state system

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} E_2 & V \\ V^* & E_1 \end{pmatrix}$$


$$E_{\pm} = \frac{(E_1 + E_2)}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{E_2 - E_1}{2}\right)^2 + |V|^2}$$

$$E_- = E_1 + V^* \frac{1}{E_1 - E_2} V - V^* \frac{1}{(E_1 - E_2)} V \frac{1}{(E_1 - E_2)} V^* \frac{1}{(E_1 - E_2)} V + \dots$$

perturbation series.

E_- shifts from E_1 . because of the interaction.

states w/ E_n closer to E_1 contribute more ?

position space Feynman rule \longleftrightarrow momentum space Feynman rule

$$i\mathcal{M} = \int d^4y_i \int \frac{d^4k_a}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{i e^{-ika \cdot (\sum_i \vec{p}_i)}}{(k_a^2 - m_a^2 + i\epsilon)} [P_a]_{\alpha's} V$$

$(-i[V_i]_{\alpha's})$

carry out all d^4y_i integral

$$= \int d^4x_1 \dots d^4x_N \int \frac{d^4k_a}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{[P] i e^{-ika \cdot (\sum_i \vec{p}_i)}}{(k_a^2 - m_a^2 + i\epsilon)} \prod_i (2\pi)^3 \delta^3(\sum_a \vec{p}_a - \vec{p}_i) (-i[V_i])$$

sum of $N!$ contributions. according to the ordering of \vec{p}_i^0

from $\vec{p}_1^0 < \vec{p}_2^0 < \dots < \vec{p}_N^0$

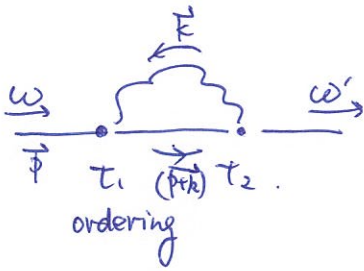
carry out all d^4k_a integral

$$\int \frac{d^4k_a}{2\pi} \frac{i e^{-ik_a^0(t_p - t_q)}}{(k_a^2 - E_{k_a}^2 + i\epsilon)} = \begin{cases} (t_p > t_q) \frac{e^{-iE_{k_a}(t_p - t_q)}}{(2E_{k_a})} \\ t_p > t_q (t_q > t_p) \frac{e^{-iE_{k_a}(t_q - t_p)}}{(2E_{k_a})} \end{cases}$$

$$= \int_0^{+\infty} d(t_2 - t_1) \int_0^{+\infty} d(t_3 - t_2) \dots \text{\# loop}$$

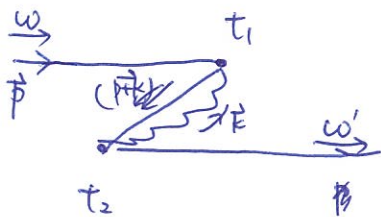
$$= \int_{t_1 \leq t_2 \leq \dots \leq t_N} dt_i (-iV_i) \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} (2\pi)^3 \delta^3(\sum \vec{p}^{in} - \sum \vec{p}^{out}) \left[\prod_a \frac{1}{2E_{k_a}} \right] \times \left[e^{-iE(\Delta t^k)} \right] S$$

$(e^{-iE(\Delta t)})_s$



$$e^{-i\omega t_1} e^{-iE_{p+k}^t(t_2-t_1)} e^{-iE_k^r(t_2-t_1)} e^{i\omega' t_2}$$

$$= e^{-i(E_{p+k}^t + E_k^r - \omega)(t_2-t_1)} e^{i(\omega' - \omega)t_2}$$



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$$= e^{-i(E_{p+k}^t + E_k^r + \omega')(t_1-t_2)} e^{i(\omega' - \omega)t_1}$$

(general) $t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_N$

$$(E_{p+k}^t + E_k^r + \omega + \omega') - \omega$$

[off-shell-ness from t' to t'']

$$e^{-i(E_{1 \rightarrow 2} - \omega^{in})(t_2 - t_1)} e^{-i(E_{2 \rightarrow 3} - \omega^{in})(t_3 - t_2)} \dots$$

$$e^{-i(E_{N-1 \rightarrow N} - \omega^{in})(t_N - t_{N-1})} e^{i(\omega^{out} - \omega^{in})t_N}$$

$$\int_0^{+\infty} dt_2 - t_1 \int_0^{+\infty} dt_3 - t_2 \dots \int_0^{+\infty} dt_N - t_{N-1} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dt_N - (-i)^N$$

$(\omega^{in} - E)$ w. positive $(i\epsilon)$ for convergence.

carry out all t_i integral $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{(E_{1 \rightarrow 2} - \omega^{in})} \frac{1}{(E_{2 \rightarrow 3} - \omega^{in})} \dots \frac{1}{(E_{N-1 \rightarrow N} - \omega^{in})} \times (2\pi) \delta(\omega^{out} - \omega^{in}) (-i)^N$

$$iM = i^{\#loop} \sum \left[\frac{d^3k_a}{(2\pi)^3} \right] \prod_i V_i \prod_a \left[\frac{[P_a]}{(2E_{k_a})} \right] \frac{1}{(E_{12} - \omega^{in})(E_{23} - \omega^{in}) \dots (E_{N-1 \rightarrow N} - \omega^{in})}$$

all possible intermediate states
just like in QM perturbation theory

(off shell-ness) of virtuality of intermediate states

UV divergence = many DOF w/ large $|\vec{k}_a|$ win over the cost of large virtuality

§ 4.3 Regularization

UV divergence from UV (high energy) DOF.

— don't know much. actually.

condensed matter:

a_i, a_i^\dagger electron at site i .

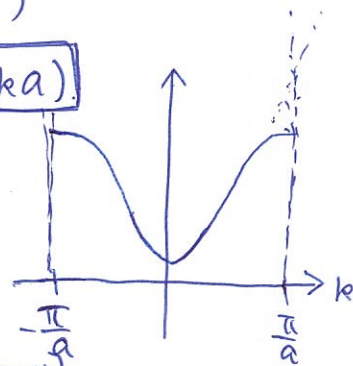
$$H = E \sum_i a_i^\dagger a_i + t \sum_i (a_{i+1}^\dagger a_i + a_i^\dagger a_{i+1}) = \left(\begin{array}{ccc} E-t & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & -t & \\ & & & -t & \\ & & & & -t & \\ & & & & & E \end{array} \right)$$

dispersion relation

$$\sum_n a_n^\dagger e^{i\delta n} |0\rangle \Rightarrow E(k) = E - 2t \cos(\delta) = E - 2t \cos(ka)$$

$$e^{i\delta n} \Leftrightarrow e^{i(\frac{\delta}{a})na} = e^{ikna}$$

a : lattice spacing.



$E(k)$: not quadratic. $\left(\frac{k^2}{2m} + \text{const} \right)$

for $k \sim (1/a)$

where continuum approx. not good.

\exists (cut-off scale).

cut-off in integration (state spectrum)
change in dispersion relation

e^-, γ , phonon system. \vdots
such cut off scale.

modify QED Lagrangian at high energy.

eg.

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4\Lambda^2} F_{\mu\nu} D^\rho D_\rho F^{\mu\nu} + \bar{\psi}(i\gamma^\mu D_\mu - m)\psi.$$

✓ higher covariant derivative.

✓ Pauli - Villars

✓ string theory ...

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$$\parallel$$

$$[-k^2(k^2 - \Lambda^2)]/\Lambda^2.$$

$$= (-ie^2) \int_0^1 dx \int_0^{1-x} dy \int \frac{[-2(\not{p} + \not{k}) + 4m] (-\Lambda^2) 2}{[k^2 + 2xp \cdot k - xm^2 - y\Lambda^2 + i\epsilon]^3} \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4}$$

$(x+y+z=1)$

$$= (-ie^2) \int_0^1 dx \int_0^{1-x} dy \int \frac{(-2\Lambda^2) [-2(\not{p}(1-x) + \not{k}') + 4m]}{[k'^2 - xm^2 - y\Lambda^2 + x(1-x)p^2 + i\epsilon]^3} \frac{d^4k'}{(2\pi)^4}$$

$k + xp = k'$

drop $(k'_\mu \gamma^\mu)$ safely. ($k'_\mu \rightarrow -k'_\mu$ odd).

Wick rotation $\int_{-i\infty}^{+i\infty} dk^0 = i \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dk^E$

$$= (e^2) \int_0^1 dx \int_0^{1-x} dy \int \frac{d^4k_E}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{(+2\Lambda^2) [-2\not{p}(1-x) + 4m]}{[k_E^2 + xm^2 + y\Lambda^2 - x(1-x)p^2]^3}$$

$\text{vol}(\mathbb{R}^3) = 2\pi^2$
 $K \equiv |k_E|^2$

$$= \frac{e^2}{(16\pi^2)} \int_0^1 dx \int_0^{1-x} dy \int_0^\infty dK \frac{K (2\Lambda^2) [-2\not{p}(1-x) + 4m]}{[K + xm^2 + y\Lambda^2 - x(1-x)p^2]^3}$$

$K \neq |k_E|^2$ integration:

$$\int dK \frac{K \Lambda^2}{(K + \Lambda^2)^3} \sim \Lambda^2 < K. \int \frac{dK}{K^2} \Rightarrow \text{converge.}$$

$$= \frac{e^2}{(16\pi^2)} \int_0^1 dx \int_0^{1-x} dy \frac{2\Lambda^2 [-2\not{p}(1-x) + 4m]}{[xm^2 + y\Lambda^2 - x(1-x)p^2]} \times \frac{1}{2}$$

γ -integration

$$\Sigma^{1\text{-loop}} = \frac{e^2}{16\pi^2} \int_0^1 dx \left[\cancel{2} \cancel{p}(1-x) + \cancel{4} m \right] \ln \left(\frac{(1-x)\Lambda^2 + x m^2 - x(1-x)p^2}{x m^2 - x(1-x)p^2} \right)$$

$$\Sigma^{1\text{-loop}} = A \cancel{p} + B$$

$$A = \frac{e^2}{16\pi^2} \int_0^1 dx -2(1-x) \ln \left(\frac{(1-x)\Lambda^2 + x m^2 - x(1-x)p^2}{x m^2 - x(1-x)p^2} \right)$$

$$B = \frac{e^2}{16\pi^2} 4m \int_0^1 dx \ln \left(\frac{(1-x)\Lambda^2 + x m^2 - x(1-x)p^2}{x m^2 - x(1-x)p^2} \right)$$

finite of Λ is finite

under control ... regularization