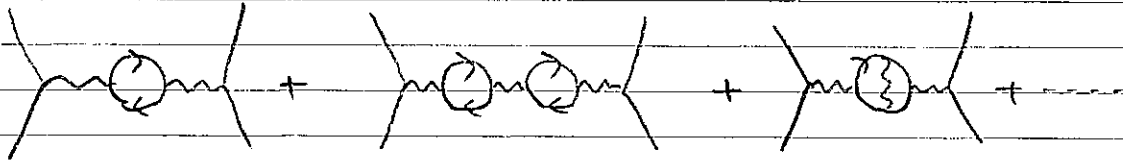


# §5.2 QED in Renormalized Perturbation Theory

beyond electron self-energy



$$\Sigma(1 \text{ particle irreducible graphs}) = \text{fermion line} \left[ \text{loop} \right] \text{fermion line}$$

$$= i \left( g^2 \eta_{\mu\nu} - g_{\mu} g_{\nu} \right) \Pi(q^2)$$

(non-trivial that the  $g^2 \eta_{\mu\nu}$  term and the  $g_{\mu} g_{\nu}$  term are the same except sign. ← consequence of gauge sym)

Then (in the Feynman gauge)

$$\frac{-i \eta_{\mu\nu}}{(q^2 + i\epsilon)} + \frac{-i \delta_{\mu}^{k_1}}{q^2} i \Pi(q^2) (g^2 \eta_{k_1 k_2} - g_{k_1} g_{k_2}) \frac{-i \delta_{\nu}^{k_2}}{q^2} + \frac{-i \delta_{\mu}^{k_1}}{q^2} i \Pi(q^2) (g^2 \eta_{k_1 k_2} - g_{k_1} g_{k_2}) \frac{-i \eta^{k_2 k_3}}{q^2} i \Pi(q^2) (g^2 \eta_{k_3 k_4} - g_{k_3} g_{k_4}) \frac{-i \delta_{\nu}^{k_4}}{q^2} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{-i \eta_{\mu\nu}}{(q^2 + i\epsilon)(1 - \Pi(q^2))} \quad (\text{the geometric series is summed up.})$$

At 1-loop level, just one graph contributes:

Using the Pauli-Villars regularization (in unrenormalized fields & couplings)

$$\Pi^{(1)}(q^2) = \frac{(eQ)^2}{2\pi^2} \int_0^1 dx \, x(1-x) \ln \left( \frac{M^2 - x(1-x)q^2}{M_{reg}^2} \right) \quad \leftarrow \text{homework. } \square$$

- divergence under control (if  $M_{reg}^2 < \infty$ )
- no mass shift; the pole remains @  $q^2 = 0$ .
- only the normalization is affected.

residue  $\frac{-i \eta_{\mu\nu} Z_3}{q^2 + i\epsilon}$  @  $q^2=0 \Rightarrow Z_3 = \frac{1}{1 - \Pi(q^2)|_{q^2=0}} \approx 1 + \Pi^{(1)}(q^2)|_{q^2=0}$

$\Rightarrow$  The renormalized field  $[A_\mu]_r := \frac{1}{\sqrt{Z_3}} A_\mu$

has the properly normalized two point correlation fun.

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{4} Z_3 [F_{\mu\nu}]_r [F^{\mu\nu}]_r \approx -\frac{1}{4} (F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu})_r - \frac{1}{4} \delta_{33}^{(1)} (F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu})_r$$

$\downarrow$   $\mathcal{L}_0$   $\downarrow$   $\mathcal{L}_{int}$

Feynman rule :

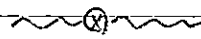
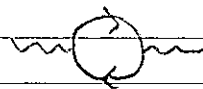
$$-i(\delta^2 \eta_{\mu\nu} - \delta_\mu \delta_\nu) \delta_{33}^{(1)}$$

$$= -i(\delta^2 \eta_{\mu\nu} - \delta_\mu \delta_\nu) \Pi^{(1)}(q^2=0)$$

So, ... at the 1-loop level,

the 1PI graphs for the renormalized photon field is  
~~Sum of~~

$$i(\delta^2 \eta_{\mu\nu} - \delta_\mu \delta_\nu) \Pi^{(1)}(q^2) + -i(\delta^2 \eta_{\mu\nu} - \delta_\mu \delta_\nu) \Pi^{(1)}(0)$$



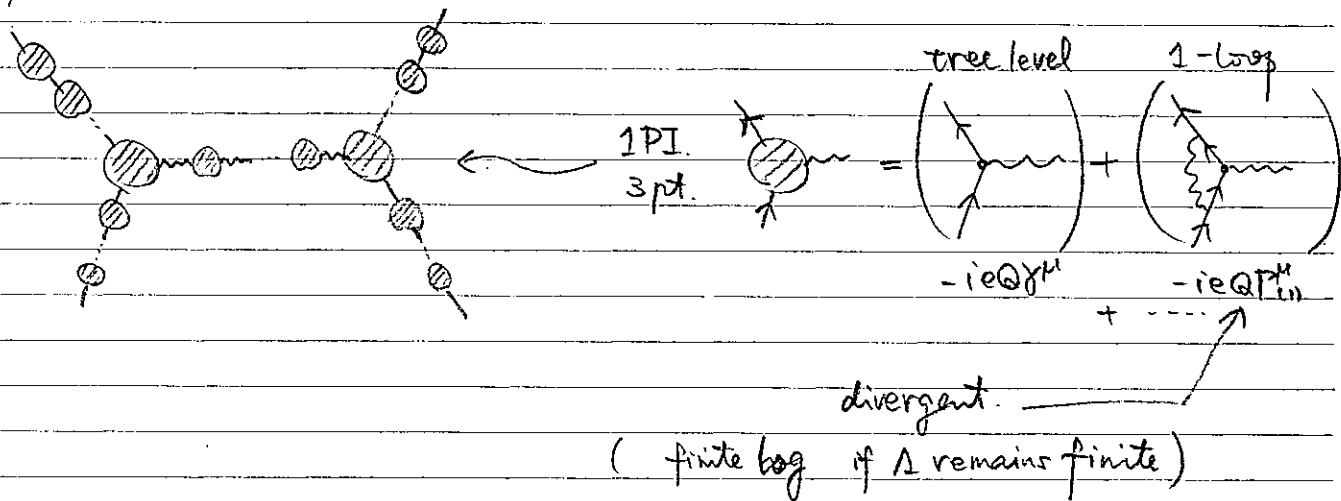
$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\Pi^{(1)}(q^2) - \Pi^{(1)}(0) = \frac{(eQ)^2}{2\pi^2} \int_0^1 dx x(1-x) \ln \left( \frac{m_f^2 - x(1-x)q^2}{m_f^2} \right)}$$

$$\Pi_{ren}^{(1)}(q^2)$$

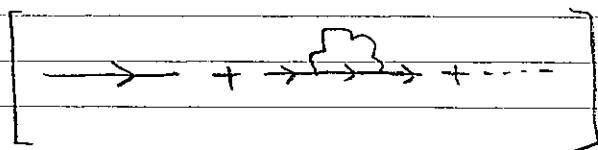
$M_{reg}^2$  : disappeared.

$\Pi(q^2)$  or  $\Pi_{ren}(q^2)$  is called vacuum polarization.

Finally,  $\mathcal{L}_{QED} = -eQ(\bar{\Psi} \gamma^\mu A_\mu \Psi)$ .

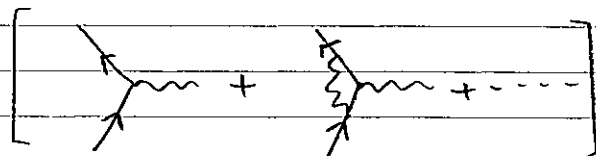


mass



the pole of the quantum corrected 2-point function  $\Rightarrow$  observed mass  $M \neq m_p$

coupling strength



the coupling strength of the cloud of  $e^- + e^-(e^-) + e^-(e^+e^-)^2 + \dots \Rightarrow$  measured strength  $e_r \neq e$

$$-ieQ \Gamma_{(1)}^\mu =: -ieQ \left( \gamma^\mu V_2^{(1)}(q^2) + [\gamma^\mu, \gamma^\mu] \not{q} V_3^{(1)}(q^2) + \dots \right)$$

Then the measured coupling strength should be ....

the three point function  $\bar{\Psi}_r - \bar{\Psi}_r - (A_\mu)_r$

$$= \frac{\text{TF}}{\bar{\Psi}_r \bar{\Psi}_r A_\mu} \left[ \text{quantum corrected propagator} \right] \times \underbrace{Z_2 \sqrt{Z_3}}_R \times \left( -ieQ \gamma^\mu + (-ieQ V_1^{(1)}) \gamma^\mu + \dots \right)$$

$$= (-ieQ \gamma^\mu) \left\{ e + \left( e V_1^{(1)} + e \delta_{22}^{(1)} + \frac{1}{2} e \delta_{23}^{(1)} \right) + \dots \right\}$$

So,

$$\boxed{e + \left( e V_1^{(1)}(q^2) + e \delta_{22}^{(1)} + \frac{1}{2} e \delta_{23}^{(1)} \right) + \mathcal{O}(e^5) = e_r(q^2)} \quad \leftarrow \text{(eg. use the one for } q^2=0 \text{)}$$

just like

$$\boxed{M^2 + \left( 2M^2 A^{(1)} \Big|_{p^2=M^2} + 2M B^{(1)} \Big|_{p^2=M^2} \right) + \mathcal{O}(e^4) = m_{\text{pole}}^2}$$

Lagrangian parameters  $\longleftrightarrow$  observed parameters

Renormalized perturbation theory for QED:

use  $\{\bar{\Psi}_r, A_\mu^{(n)}, m_p, e_r\}$  for perturbation

$$\mathcal{L}_{QED} = \bar{\Psi}_r [i\gamma^\mu (\partial_\mu + ie_r Q A_{\mu,r}) - m_p] \Psi_r - \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^{(n)} F^{(n)\mu\nu} \Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_0$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} + \delta_{22} \bar{\Psi}_r i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \Psi_r \\ - (Z_2 M - m_p) \bar{\Psi}_r \Psi_r \\ - Q(Z_2 \sqrt{Z_3} e - e_r) (\bar{\Psi}_r \gamma^\mu A_\mu^{(n)} \Psi_r) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{int}$$

At 1-loop level, the quantum corrected 3pt fun / (propagators)

$$= \left( \text{fermion loop} \right) + \left( \text{fermion loop with photon} \right) + \left( \text{ghost loop with photon} \right)$$

$$= -i e_r Q \gamma^\mu \left[ e_r + e_r (V_1^{(1)}(q^2) - V_2^{(1)}(0)) + \underbrace{\left\{ e - e_r + e_r (V_2^{(1)}(0) + \delta_{22}^{(1)} + \frac{1}{2} \delta_{23}^{(1)}) \right\}}_{\text{inserted}} \right] + \mathcal{O}(e^5)$$

(+  $[\gamma^\mu, \gamma^\nu]$  term)

Using the result

Peskin-Schroeder §6.3 (or QFT II week-15)

$$\Gamma_{(1)}^{\mu} = \frac{(eQ)^2}{16\pi^2} \int dx dy \left[ \dots \right]$$

$w = (x+y)$

$$\left[ \gamma^\mu \cdot 2 \left\{ \ln \left( \frac{(1-w)\Lambda^2 + w^2 M^2 - xy q^2}{w^2 M^2 - xy q^2} \right) + \frac{M^2 \{ 1 - x(1-w) + (1-w)^2 \} + (1-x)(1-y) q^2}{w^2 M^2 - xy q^2} \right\} \right]$$

$$\left[ \frac{[\gamma^\mu, \gamma^\nu] g_\nu}{4M} \frac{4M^2 (1-w)w}{w^2 M^2 - xy q^2} \right]$$

we see that

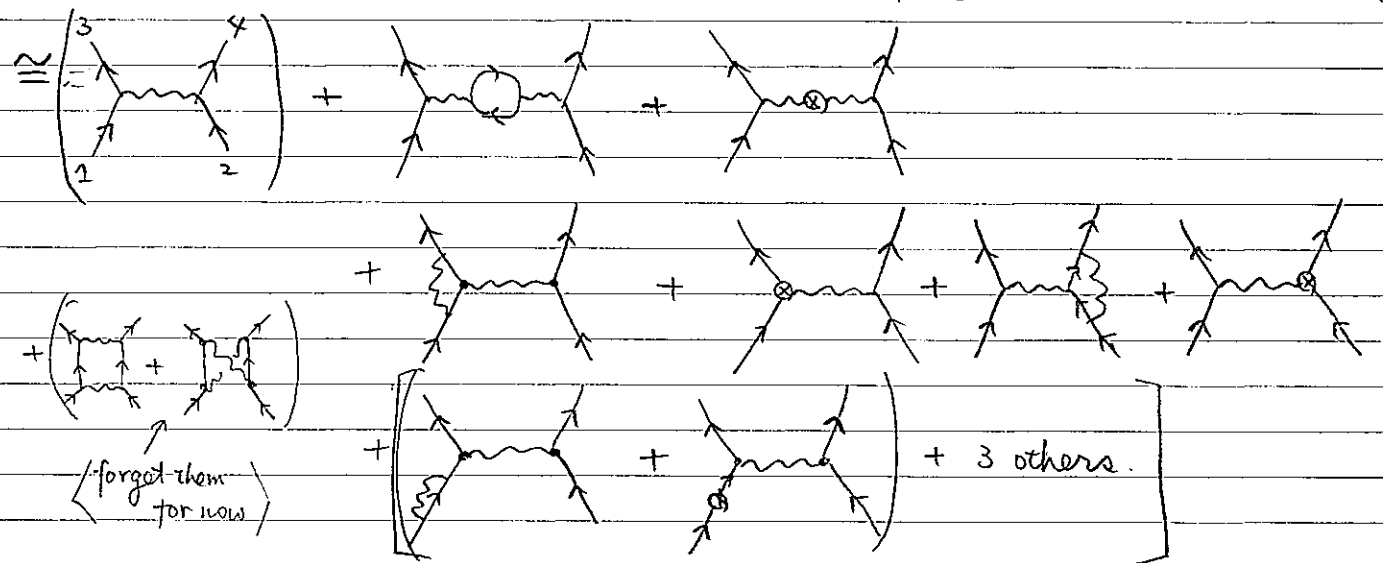
$$V_2^{(1)}(q^2) - V_2^{(1)}(0) = \frac{\alpha Q^2}{2\pi} \int dx dy \left[ \ln \left( \frac{w^2 m_p^2}{w^2 M_p^2 - xy q^2} \right) + \frac{m_p^2 \{ 1 - x(1-w) + (1-w)^2 \} + (1-x)(1-y) q^2}{w^2 m_p^2 - xy q^2} - \frac{1 - x(1-w) + (1-w)^2}{w^2} \right]$$

is free from the UV divergence (regulator scale  $\Lambda$ ), but with quantum corrections. (not without IR divergence from  $x+y \rightarrow 0$ ) PLUS

**Recap** At 1-loop level, the correlator of the renormalized fields

$$\int d^4x_3 \int d^4x_4 e^{ip_3 x_3} e^{ip_4 x_4} \int d^4x_1 \int d^4x_2 e^{-ip_1 x_1} e^{-ip_2 x_2}$$

$$\langle 0 | T \left\{ \Psi_{I,r}(x_3) \bar{\Psi}_{I,r}(x_4) \bar{\Psi}_{J,r}(x_1) \Psi_{J,r}(x_2) \exp \left[ i \int d^4z \mathcal{L}_{int,I}(z) \right] \right\} | 0 \rangle_{\text{connected}}$$



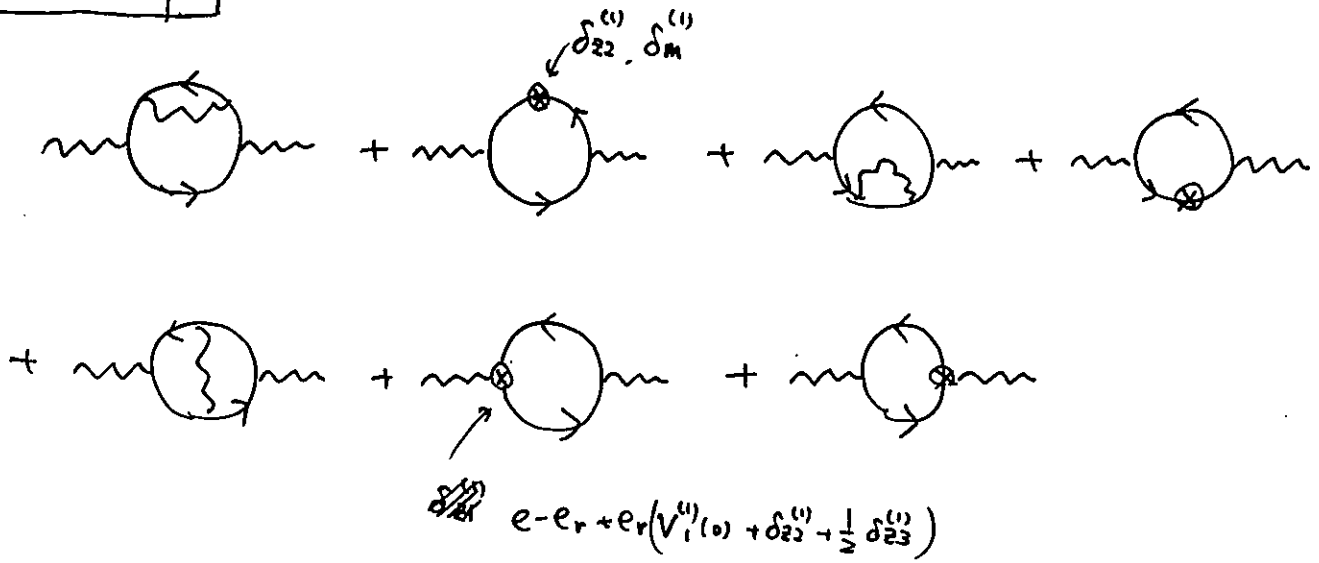
$$= \left[ \begin{aligned} & iQ^2 (e_r \gamma^\mu) \frac{\eta_{\mu\nu}}{g^2} (e_r \gamma^\nu) + iQ^2 (e_r \gamma^\mu) \frac{\eta_{\mu\nu}}{g^2} (\Pi^{(1)}(g^2) - \Pi^{(1)}(0)) (e_r \gamma^\nu) \\ & + iQ^2 e_r \left( \Gamma_{(1)}^\mu - V_2^{(1)}(0) \gamma^\mu \right) \frac{\eta_{\mu\nu}}{g^2} (e_r \gamma^\nu) \\ & + iQ^2 (e_r \gamma^\mu) \frac{\eta_{\mu\nu}}{g^2} e_r \left( \Gamma_{(1)}^\nu - V_2^{(1)}(0) \gamma^\nu \right) \end{aligned} \right] \begin{array}{l} \text{multiplied by} \\ (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_3 + p_4 - p_1 - p_2) \\ \text{and} \\ \text{quantum corrected} \\ \text{propagators.} \end{array}$$

\* Regularization parameters disappeared  $(\Lambda, \bar{M}_{reg}^2)$  when the correlator is expressed in terms of  $(e_r, m_{pole})$  and we take the limit  $\Lambda, \bar{M}_{reg}^2 \rightarrow +\infty$ .

\* Measurements look at "things" that include all sorts of quantum effects. Lagrangian parameters  $(e, M)$  are not the same as  $(e_r, m_{pole})$ .

\* The difference  $(e - e_r)$  and  $(M^2 - m_{pole}^2)$  diverge if  $\Lambda, \bar{M}_{reg}^2$  are literally  $\infty$ .  
But the regulators are not more than an easy going version of some physical UV modification - the difference is finite.  
not scary.

at 2-loop



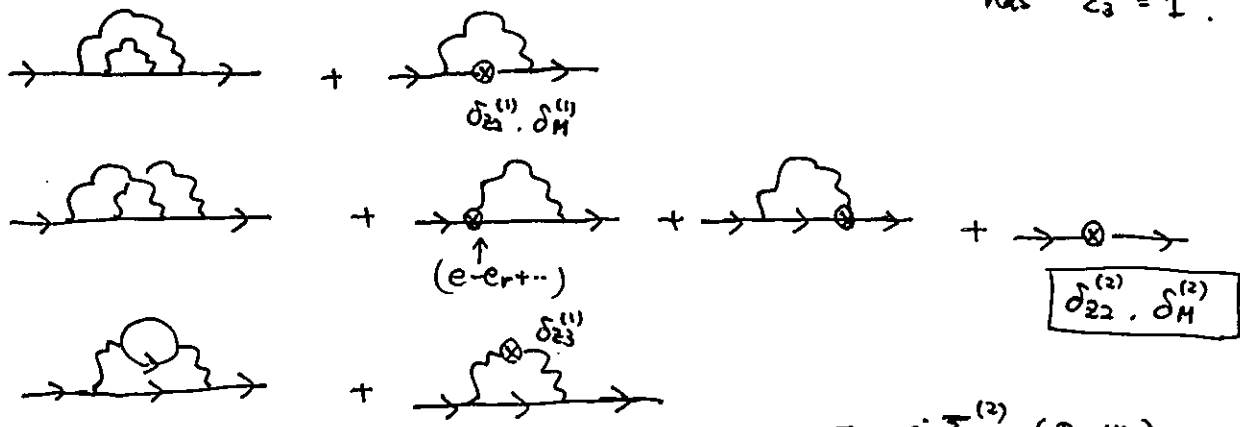
+  $\begin{matrix} \text{diagram} \\ \delta_{23}^{(2)} \end{matrix} = i(g^2 \eta^{\mu\nu} - g^\mu g^\nu) \Pi_{ren}^{(2)}(g^2).$

$-i(g^2 \eta^{\mu\nu} - g^\mu g^\nu) \delta_{23}^{(2)}$

$\delta_{23}^{(2)}$  : determined so that  $\Pi_{ren}^{(2)}(g^2) = 0$

The relative normalization of  $A_\mu$  and  $[A_\mu]_r$  should be such.

$$\frac{-i\eta^{\mu\nu}}{[g^2 + i\epsilon](1 - (\Pi_{ren}^{(1)} + \Pi_{ren}^{(2)})(g^2))}$$
 has  $z_3 = 1$ .

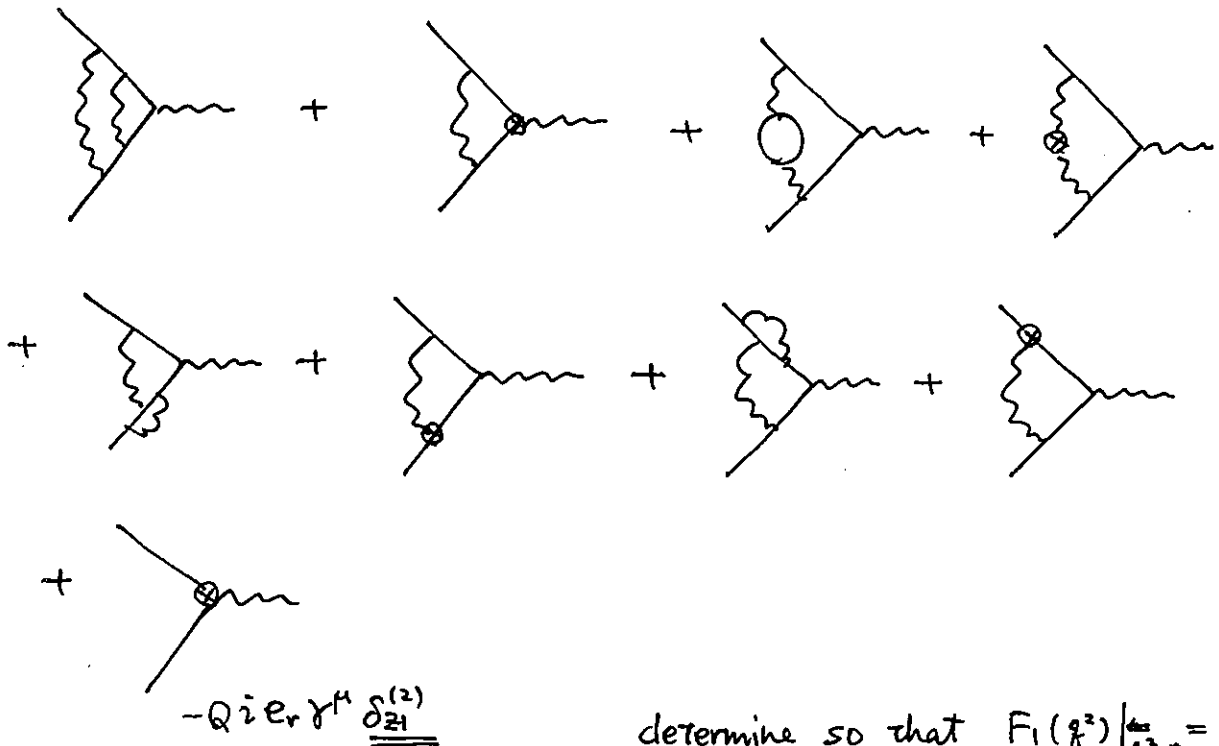


$\delta_{22}^{(2)}, \delta_M^{(2)}$  determined so that

$$= -i \sum_{ren}^{(2)}(p, m) = -i \sum_{ren}^{(2)} (A_{ren}^{(2)} p + B_{ren}^{(2)})$$

$$\bullet \left(1 - A_{ren}^{(1)} - A_{ren}^{(2)}\right)^2 m^2 = \left(m + B_{ren}^{(1)} + B_{ren}^{(2)}\right)^2 \text{ mod } \mathcal{O}(e^6)$$

$$\bullet \left[ \left(1 - A_{ren}^{(1)} - A_{ren}^{(2)}\right)^2 + 2(A_{ren}^{(1)} + A_{ren}^{(2)} - 1) \frac{\partial A_{ren}^{(1)+(2)}}{\partial p^2} - 2(m + B_{ren}^{(1)+(2)}) \frac{\partial B_{ren}^{(1)+(2)}}{\partial p^2} \right]_{p^2=m^2} = (1 - A_{ren}^{(1)+(2)})_{p^2=m^2}$$



determine so that  $F_1(g^2)|_{g^2=0} = 1$

$$-Qier \Gamma_{ren}^\mu \approx \frac{1}{Q} ier \left( F_2(g^2) \gamma^\mu - \frac{F_2(g^2)}{4m} [\gamma^\mu \cdot \gamma] \right) + \text{mod} [x(\not{p}-m)] + \text{mod} [(\not{p}-m)x]$$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} F_1: \text{Pauli Dirac} \\ F_2: \text{Pauli} \end{array} \right\}$

**Renormalization conditions. (on-shell)**

- ✓  $\Psi_r$  canonically normalized. ( $z_2 = 1$ )
- ✓ fermion pole mass =  $m$ .
- ✓  $A_{r\mu}$  canonically normalized ( $z_3 = 1$ )
- ✓  $F_2(g^2=0) = 1$

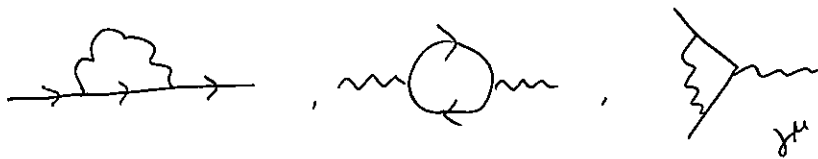
$\Rightarrow$  determine.  $\delta_{22}^{(n)}, \delta_{23}^{(n)}, (M-m), (e-e_r)$  (or  $\delta_{21}^{(n)}$ )  
 order by order.  
 counter terms.

§ 5.3 Superficial Degree of Divergence

In QED (at 1-loop level)

4 renormalization conditions.

- $e^-$  (and  $e^+$ ) (pole) mass. :  $m$
- electric charge (at  $g^{\mu\nu}=0$ ):  $e_r$ .
- $\Psi_e$  field normalization : 1
- $A_\mu$  field : : 1. to rewrite  $(M, e; \Lambda)$ .



divergence appear. (taken care of).



any other amplitudes with divergence?

How do we know?

In QED, we've done all possible "renormalization".

fermion propagator

$$\frac{i \cancel{\not{p}} + M}{[p^2 - M^2 + i\epsilon]} \Rightarrow (-1)$$

scalar propagator

$$\frac{i}{[p^2 - M^2 + i\epsilon]} \Rightarrow (-2)$$

vector boson propagator

(Feynman gauge)

$$\frac{-i \eta_{\mu\nu}}{(p^2 + i\epsilon)} \Rightarrow (-2)$$

(scalar)<sup>2</sup>-vector vertex

$$\propto (\not{p}_1 - \not{p}_2)^\mu \Rightarrow (+1)$$

(vector)<sup>3</sup> vertex (non-Abelian)

$$\propto p^\mu \Rightarrow (+1)$$

(fermion)<sup>2</sup>-vector vertex

$$\gamma^\mu \Rightarrow (0)$$

(vector)<sup>4</sup> vertex

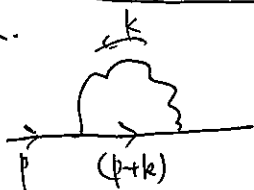
$$\propto (\eta^{\mu\nu} \eta^{\rho\sigma} \dots) \Rightarrow (0)$$

1-loop momentum  $\int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \Rightarrow (+4)$



UV divergence: mass, external momenta don't matter.

eg.

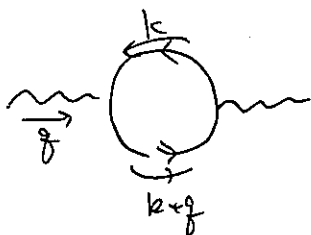


$$\Rightarrow D = (-2) + (-1) + 4 = +1$$

$$\int dk \gamma^\mu (\not{p} + \not{k}) \gamma_\mu \Rightarrow \text{use } \not{p} \text{ not } \not{k}$$

truncate  $\rightarrow$  (0) <sup>add part.</sup>

logarithmic div.



$$\Rightarrow D = (-1) \times 2 + 4 = +2 \text{ for } (\ )_{\mu\nu}$$

but gauge symmetry :

$$(\ )_{\mu\nu} = i(\not{q}^2 \eta_{\mu\nu} - \not{q}_\mu \not{q}_\nu) \Pi(q^2)$$

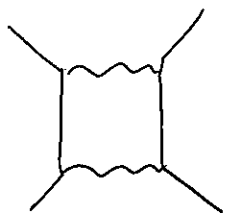
use  $q^2$  or  $q_\mu \cdot q_\nu$  not  $k^2 \Rightarrow$  (0)

logarithmic div

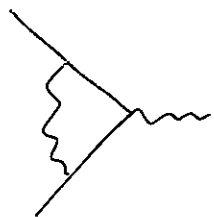


$$\Rightarrow D = 0 \text{ logarithmic.}$$

eg.



$$\Rightarrow D = (-1) \times 2 + (-2) \times 2 + 4 = (-2)$$



$$\Rightarrow D = 0 \text{ but } [\gamma^\mu, \gamma^\nu]_{\underline{q\nu}} \Rightarrow (-1)$$



$$D = 0 \text{ but eventually } \Rightarrow (-4)$$

no divergence

$$\left[ \text{diagram} + \text{diagram} + \dots \right] \Rightarrow \text{logarithmic}$$

$$D = \chi \cdot (\#L) - I_4 - 2I_8$$

$$2 \times (\#V) = 2I_4 + E_4$$

$$(\#V) = I_4 + E_4$$

$$D = \chi [(\#C) + (\#I_{tot}) - (\#V)] - I_4 - 2I_8$$

$$= \chi + (3I_4 + 2I_8) - \left[ \frac{\chi(\#V)}{3(\#V) - (\#V)} \right]$$

$$= \chi + (3I_4 + 2I_8) - \left[ (3I_4 + \frac{3}{2}E_4) + (2I_8 + E_8) \right] \quad \boxed{\chi - \frac{3}{2}E_4 - E_8}$$

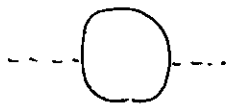
$$= \chi + (3(\#V) - \frac{3}{2}E_4) + ((\#V) - E_8) - \chi(\#V) \quad \text{for any higher loop amplitudes.}$$

$D \leq \chi$ ,  $E_4, E_8 > 0$ : only finite amplitudes w/  $D > 0$   
All the  $D \geq 0$  amplitudes exist in  $\mathcal{L}_{QFT}$ . (w counter terms)

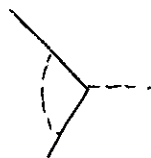
Yukawa theory

eg.  $\mathcal{L} = \bar{\Psi} [\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - M] \Psi + \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \phi)^2 - g_f \bar{\Psi} \Psi \phi - \frac{M^2 \phi^2}{2}$   $\phi$ : real scalar.

$$\boxed{D = \chi - \frac{3}{2}E_4 - E_8}$$

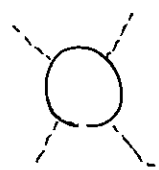


$D=2$ .  
mass. wavefun ren. of  $\phi$ .



$D=0$   
 $g_f + g_r$ .

but



$D=0$ .

need  $\frac{\lambda}{4!} \phi^4$  term in  $\mathcal{L}$ .

otherwise, regulator scale remains.

( $\lambda_r$  may just happen to be 0) though

To recap

- particle species  $a$ : propagator  $p^{-ka}$
- vertex (interaction) type  $i$ : (field "a")  $\times$   $N_{ai}$  and  $d_i \times (\partial_\mu)$

$$D = 4L - \sum_a (ka \cdot I_a) + \sum_i (d_i \cdot V_i)$$

- for particle species "a":  $(2I_a + E_a) = \sum_i N_{ai} V_i$

- $L - (C-1) = (\sum_a I_a) - (\sum_i V_i)$

$$\Rightarrow D = 4 + \sum_a (4 - ka) I_a + \sum_i (d_i - 4) V_i$$

$$= 4 + \sum_i \left( \underbrace{\sum_a \left( \frac{4 - ka}{2} \right) N_{ai}}_{\Delta_i} + d_i - 4 \right) V_i - \sum_a \left( \frac{4 - ka}{2} \right) E_a.$$

- $\Delta_i = \sum_a \left( \frac{4 - ka}{2} \right) N_{ai} + d_i$  (naive) operator dim. (eg)

$(4 - \Delta_i)$ : mass-dimension of the coefficient.

$\frac{4 - ka}{2}$ : (naive) mass-dim. of field "a" of the vertex "i"

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{scalar} : \frac{c}{p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} \Rightarrow 1 \\ \text{vector} : \frac{-i\eta_{\mu\nu}}{p^2 + i\epsilon} \Rightarrow 1 \end{array} \right. \quad \mathbb{F} : \frac{c(\not{p} + m)}{p^2 - m^2} \Rightarrow 3/2.$$

QED, (Yukawa +  $\phi^4$ ) theory

Both have interactions where  $\Delta_i = 4$  only ( $4 - \Delta_i = 0$ )

$\Rightarrow$  limited variety of amplitudes ( $\{E_a\}$ ) where  $D \geq 0$  (divergent).

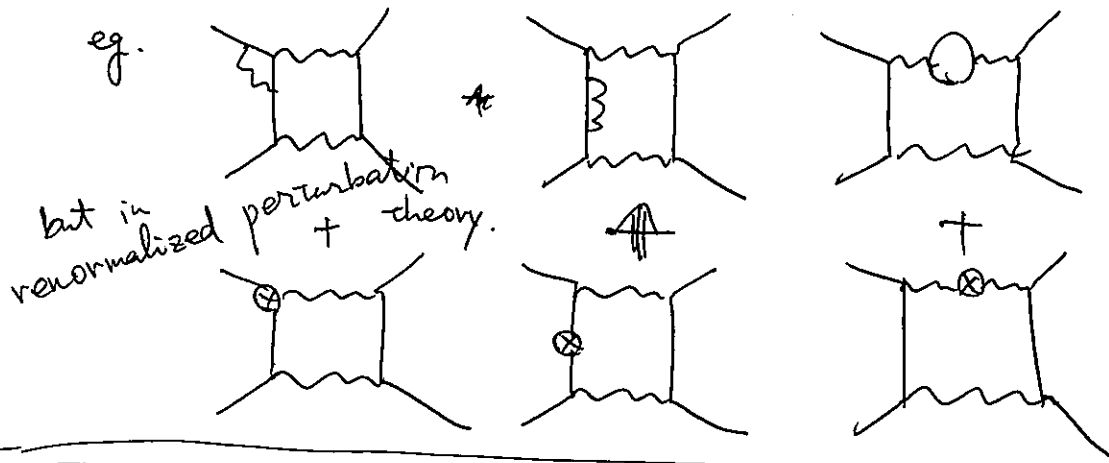
If all the interactions of a theory satisfy  $\Delta_i \leq 4$ . ( $4 - \Delta_i \geq 0$ ).

Renormalizable QFT

If all possibly divergent amplitudes have corresponding terms in  $\mathcal{L}$  ~~so that~~  $\Leftrightarrow$   $\exists$  counter terms), such amplitudes can be written in terms of observed (renormalized) coupling coefficients. (and kinematical variables) w/o referring to the regulator scale.

subtlety 1

subdiagram may diverge even when  $D < 0$ .



subtlety 2

$\exists$  counter term alone. is not enough.

$$\text{eg. } \Lambda^2 \ln\left(\frac{\Lambda^2}{p^2}\right) - \Lambda^2 \ln\left(\frac{\Lambda^2}{m^2}\right) \Rightarrow \underbrace{\Lambda^2 \ln\left(\frac{m^2}{p^2}\right)}_{\text{c.t.} \uparrow}$$

finite at the kinematics for the renormalization condition.

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renormalizable