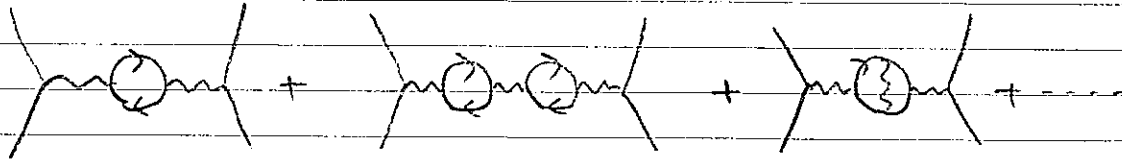


§2.2 QED in Renormalized Perturbation Theory

beyond electron self-energy



$$\Sigma(\text{1 particle irreducible graphs}) = \text{diagram with shaded loop}$$

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

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

Then (in the Feynman gauge)

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

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

hw III-3

At 1-loop level, just one graph contributes:

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

$$\Pi^{(1)}(g^2) = \frac{(eQ)^2}{2\pi^2} \int_0^1 dx \, x(1-x) \ln \left(\frac{M_P^2 - x(1-x)g^2}{\bar{M}_{reg}^2} \right) \quad \leftarrow \text{homework. III-8}$$

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

residue $\frac{-i \eta_{\mu\nu} z_3}{q^2 + i\epsilon} @ q^2=0 \Rightarrow z_3 = \frac{1}{1 - \Pi^{(0)}(q^2)|_{q^2=0}} \approx 1 + \Pi^{(0)}(q^2)|_{q^2=0}$

\Rightarrow The renormalized field $[A_\mu]_r := \frac{1}{\sqrt{z_3}} A_\mu$ has the properly normalized two point correlation fun.

$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{4} z_3 [F_{\mu\nu}]_r [F^{\mu\nu}]_r \cong -\frac{1}{4} (F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu})_r - \frac{1}{4} \delta_{23}^{(1)} (F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu})_r$
 $\Downarrow \quad \Downarrow$
 $\mathcal{L}_0 \quad \mathcal{L}_{int}$

Feynman rule: $-i(q^2 \eta_{\mu\nu} - \delta_{\mu\nu} q^2) \delta_{33}^{(1)}$
 $= -i(q^2 \eta_{\mu\nu} - \delta_{\mu\nu} q^2) \Pi^{(1)}(q^2=0)$

So, at the 1-loop level,

the 1PI graphs for the renormalized photon field is
 sum of

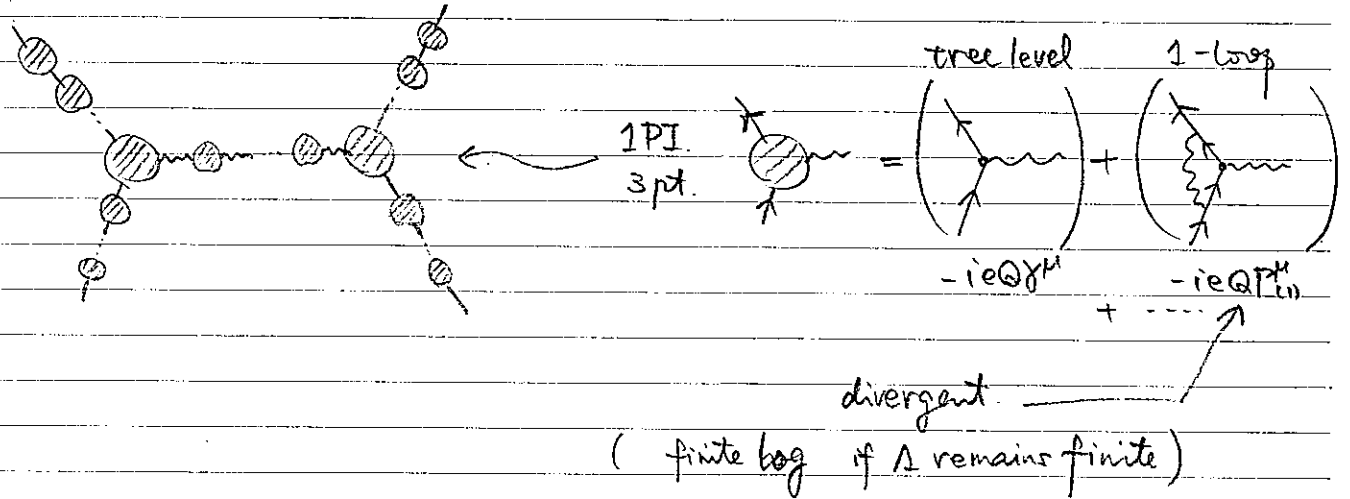
$i(q^2 \eta_{\mu\nu} - \delta_{\mu\nu} q^2) \Pi^{(1)}(q^2) + -i(q^2 \eta_{\mu\nu} - \delta_{\mu\nu} q^2) \Pi^{(1)}(0)$

$\Rightarrow \Pi_{ren}^{(1)}(q^2) = \frac{(eQ)^2}{2\pi^2} \int_0^1 dx x(1-x) \ln\left(\frac{m_P^2 - x(1-x)q^2}{m_P^2}\right)$
 $M_{reg}^2 = \text{disappeared.}$

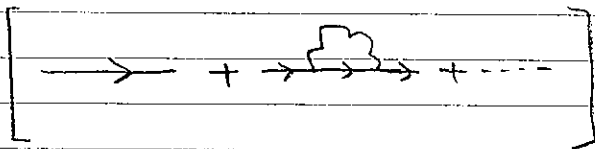
$\Pi(q^2)$ or $\Pi_{ren}(q^2)$ is called vacuum polarization.

(memo: $\frac{Qe}{|q|^2} \xrightarrow{\text{Fourier transform}} \frac{Qe}{4\pi r}$ Coulomb potential
 $\frac{Qe}{(1-\Pi)|q|^2} \Rightarrow \frac{Qe}{4\pi(1-\Pi)r}$
 \Downarrow
 $(\epsilon = 1+\delta\epsilon) \quad \vec{p} = \delta\epsilon \vec{E}$ polarization.

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

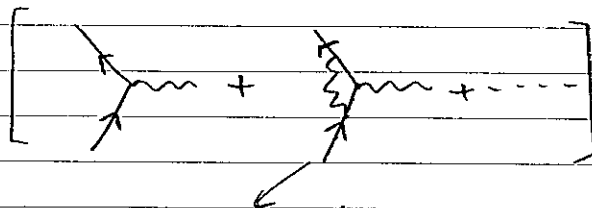


mass



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

coupling strength



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

$$-ieQ\Gamma_{(1)}^\mu =: -ieQ\left(\gamma^\mu V_2^{(1)}(q^2) + [\gamma^\mu, \gamma^\nu] g_\nu V_3^{(1)}(q^2) + \dots\right)$$

Then the measured coupling strength should be

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

$$= \frac{\Gamma}{\bar{\Psi}_r \bar{\Psi}_r A_r} \left[\text{quantum corrected propagator} \right] \times \underbrace{Z_2 Z_3}_{\cancel{Z_2 Z_3}} \times \underbrace{(-ieQ\gamma^\mu + (-ieQ V_2^{(1)})\gamma^\mu + \dots)}_{\cancel{Z_2 Z_3}} \\ = (-ieQ\gamma^\mu) \left\{ e + \left(e V_1^{(1)} + e \delta_{22}^{(1)} + \frac{1}{2} e \delta_{33}^{(1)} \right) + \dots \right\}$$

So,

$$\boxed{e + \left(e V_1^{(1)}(q^2) + e \delta_{22}^{(1)} + \frac{1}{2} e \delta_{33}^{(1)} \right) + \mathcal{O}(e^3) = e_r(q^2)} \quad \leftarrow \text{(eg. use the one for } q^2=0 \text{)}$$

just like

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

Lagrangian parameters \longleftrightarrow observed parameters

Renormalized perturbation theory for QED:

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

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

$$\left. \begin{aligned} &+ \delta_{22} \bar{\Psi}_r i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \Psi_r && - \frac{1}{4} \delta_{23} F_{\mu\nu}^{(n)} F^{(n)\mu\nu} \\ &- (Z_2 M - m_p) \bar{\Psi}_r \Psi_r \\ &- Q(Z_2 \sqrt{Z_3} e - e_r) (\bar{\Psi}_r \gamma^\mu A_\mu^{(n)} \Psi_r) \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{int}$$

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

$$= \left(\text{diagram 1} \right) + \left(\text{diagram 2} + \text{diagram 3} \right)$$

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

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

Using the result

Peskin-Schroeder §6.5
(or QFT II week 18-19)

$$\Gamma_{(1)}^\mu = \frac{(eQ)^2}{16\pi^2} \int dx dy$$

$$w := (x+y)$$

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

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

we see that

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

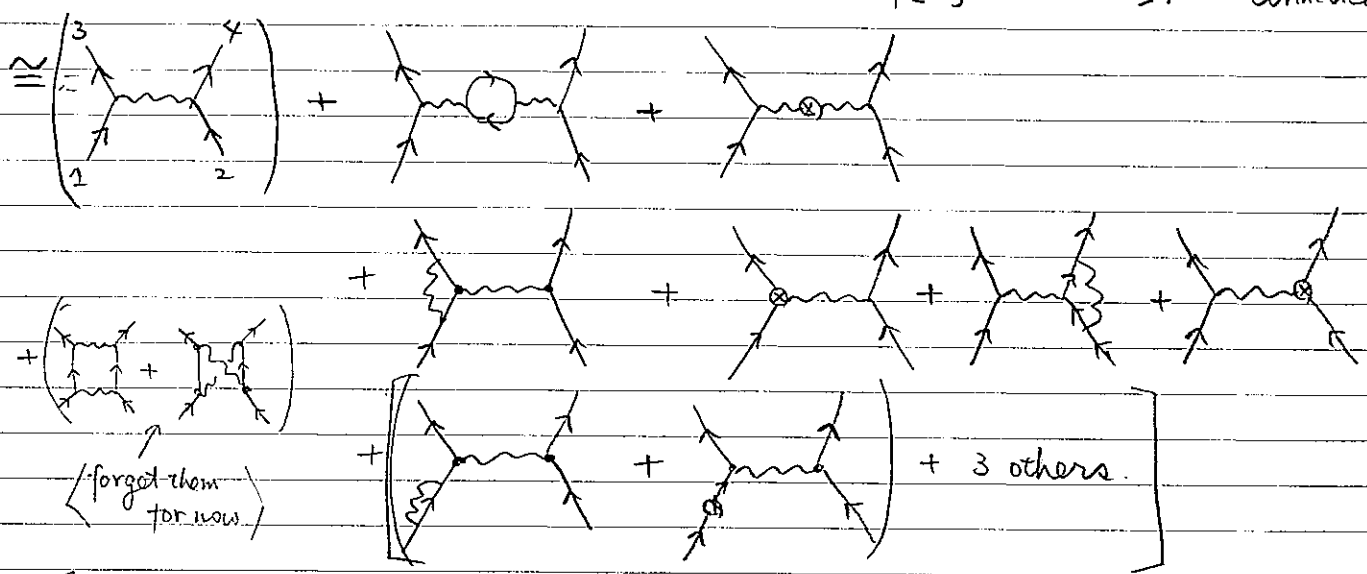
is free from the UV divergence (regulator scale Λ),

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

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

$$\langle 0 | T \{ \Psi_{I,r}^{\psi}(x_4) \bar{\Psi}_{J,r}(x_3) \bar{\Psi}_{2,r}(x_1) \Psi_{1,r}(x_2) \exp \left[i \int d^4z \mathcal{L}_{int,r}(z) \right] \} | 0 \rangle_{\text{connected}}$$



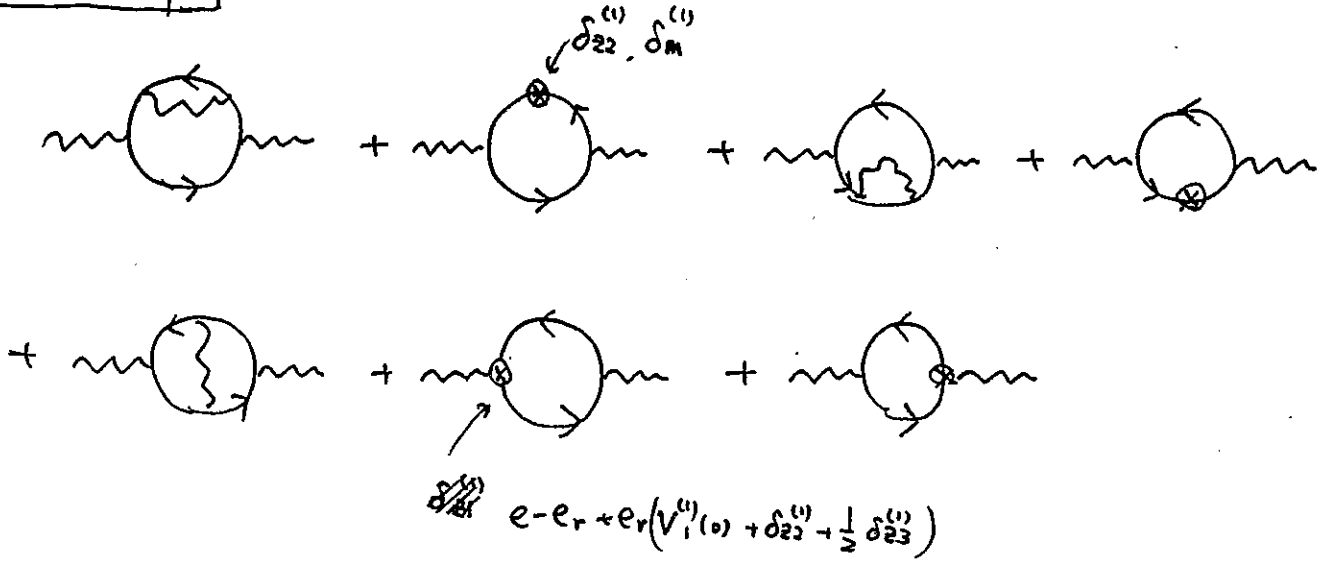
$$= \left[\begin{aligned} & iQ^2 (e_r \gamma^\mu) \frac{\eta_{\mu\nu}}{q^2} (e_r \gamma^\nu) + iQ^2 (e_r \gamma^\mu) \frac{\eta_{\mu\nu}}{q^2} (\Pi^{(1)}(q^2) - \Pi^{(1)}(0)) (e_r \gamma^\nu) \\ & + iQ^2 e_r \left(\Gamma_{(1)}^\mu - V_4^{(1)}(0) \gamma^\mu \right) \frac{\eta_{\mu\nu}}{q^2} (e_r \gamma^\nu) \\ & + iQ^2 (e_r \gamma^\mu) \frac{\eta_{\mu\nu}}{q^2} e_r \left(\Gamma_{(1)}^\nu - V_4^{(1)}(0) \gamma^\nu \right) \end{aligned} \right] \text{ multiplied by } (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_3 + p_4 - p_1 - p_2) \text{ and quantum corrected propagators.}$$

★ 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 Λ, \bar{M}_{reg}^2 are literally ∞ . 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



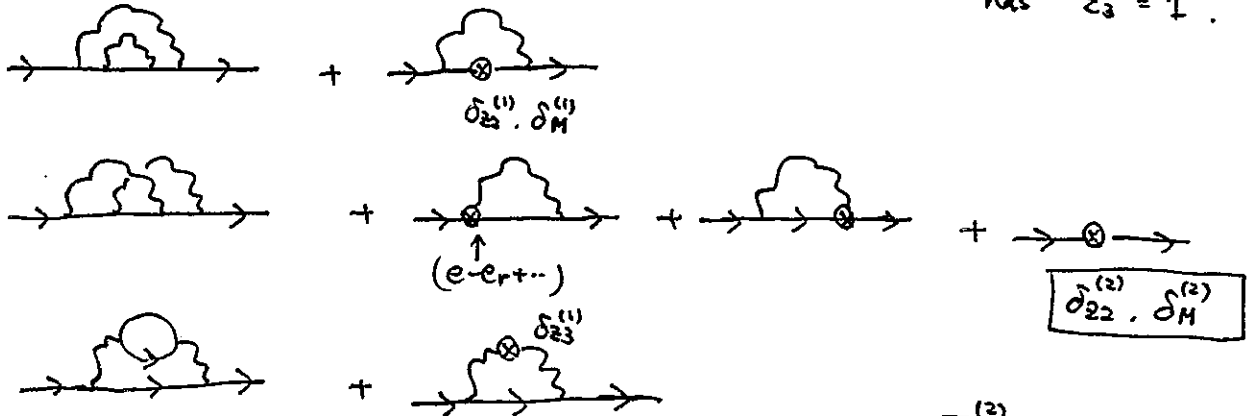
+ $\delta_{23}^{(2)}$ $= i(g^2 \eta^{\mu\nu} - g^\mu g^\nu) \Pi_{ren}^{(2)}(g^2)$

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

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

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

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

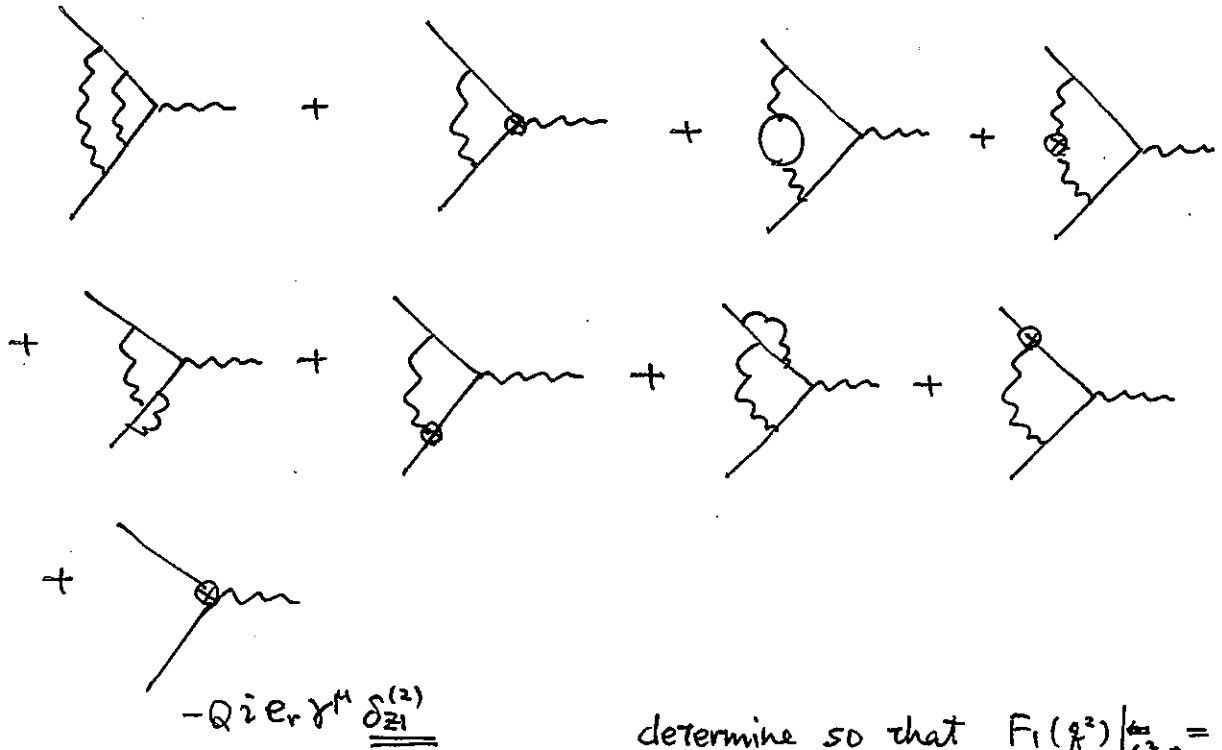


$$= -i \sum_{ren}^{(2)}(p, m)$$

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

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

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} & (1 - A_{ren}^{(1)} - A_{ren}^{(2)})^2 m^2 = (m + B_{ren}^{(1)} + B_{ren}^{(2)})^2 \quad \text{mod } \mathcal{O}(e^6) \\ & \left[(1 - A_{ren}^{(1)} - A_{ren}^{(2)})^2 + 2(A_{ren}^{(1)} + A_{ren}^{(2)} - 1) \frac{\partial A_{ren}^{(1)+(2)}}{\partial p^2} - 2(m + B_{ren}^{(1)+(2)}) \frac{\partial B_{ren}^{(1)+(2)}}{\partial p^2} \right]_{p^2=m^2} = (1 - A_{ren}^{(1)+(2)})_{p^2=m^2} \end{aligned} \right.$$



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

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

Renormalization conditions. (on-shell)

- ✓ Ψ_r canonically normalized. ($\delta_{z3} = 1$)
- ✓ fermion pole mass = m .
- ✓ A_{μ} canonically normalized ($\delta_{z3} = 1$)
- ✓ $F_2(g^2=0) = 1$

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

\Rightarrow determine. $\delta_{z2}^{(n)}, \delta_{z3}^{(n)}, (M-m), (e-er)$ (or $\delta_{z1}^{(n)}$)
order by order.

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