

# Computation of the one-loop integrals

We would like to compute regularized versions of

$$I = \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{k^2 + m^2}$$

$$V = \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{k^2 + m^2} \frac{1}{(k-p)^2 + m^2}$$

that appear in D and ~~XK~~, for

① momentum cut-off

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{k^2 + m^2} &= \int_0^\infty d\alpha e^{-\alpha(k^2 + m^2)} \\ &\rightarrow \int_{1/\lambda^2}^\infty d\alpha e^{-\alpha(k^2 + m^2)} = \frac{e^{-\frac{k^2 + m^2}{\lambda^2}}}{k^2 + m^2} \end{aligned}$$

and

③ dimensional regularization:  $4 \mapsto d = 4 - \epsilon$ .

Exercise: Do the computation.

(Option 1) Explain the steps marked **!** in the following.

(Option 2) Do it in your own way.

$$I_1 = \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \int_{1/\lambda^2}^{\infty} d\alpha e^{-\alpha(k^2 + m^2)}$$

$$= \int_{1/\lambda^2}^{\infty} d\alpha \frac{e^{-\alpha m^2}}{(4\pi)^2 \alpha^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left[ \lambda^2 - m^2 \left( \log\left(\frac{\lambda^2}{m^2}\right) + (-\gamma) + m^2 O\left(\frac{m^2}{\lambda^2}\right) \right) \right].$$

$$I_3 = M_{DR}^{4-d} \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{1}{k^2 + m^2} = M_{DR}^{4-d} \frac{\text{Vol}(S^{d-1})}{2(2\pi)^d} \int_0^\infty (k^2)^{\frac{d}{2}-1} dk^2 \frac{1}{k^2 + m^2}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{M_{DR}^{4-d} m^{d-2}}{(4\pi)^{d/2} \Gamma(d/2)} B\left(\frac{d}{2}, 1 - \frac{d}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(1 - \frac{d}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(1 - \frac{d}{2}\right)}$$

$$= m^2 \left( \frac{M_{DR}}{m} \right)^{4-d} \frac{1}{(4\pi)^{d/2}} \Gamma\left(1 - \frac{d}{2}\right)$$

$$d=4-\epsilon$$

$$\approx -\frac{m^2}{(4\pi)^2} \left( \frac{2}{\epsilon} + \log\left(\frac{4\pi M_{DR}^2}{m^2}\right) + 1 - \gamma + O(\epsilon) \right).$$

$$V_0 = \int \frac{dk}{(2\pi)^4} \int_{1/\Lambda^2}^{\infty} \int_{1/\Lambda^2}^{\infty} d\alpha d\beta e^{-\alpha(k^2 + m^2) - \beta((k-p)^2 + m^2)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \int_{1/\Lambda^2}^{\infty} \int_{1/\Lambda^2}^{\infty} \frac{d\alpha d\beta}{(\alpha + \beta)^2} e^{-\frac{\alpha\beta}{\alpha + \beta} p^2 - (\alpha + \beta)m^2}$$

insert  $1 = \int_{2/\Lambda^2}^{\infty} d\lambda \delta(\lambda - \alpha - \beta)$  & substitute  $\alpha \rightarrow \lambda x, \beta \rightarrow \lambda y$

$$= \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \int_{2/\Lambda^2}^{\infty} d\lambda \int_{1/\Lambda^2}^{\infty} \int_{1/\Lambda^2}^{\infty} \frac{dxdy}{(x+y)^2} e^{-\lambda \left( \frac{xy}{x+y} p^2 + (x+y)m^2 \right)} \underbrace{\delta(x(1-x-y))}_{\cancel{\delta(1-x-y)}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \int_{2/\Lambda^2}^{\infty} \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} \int_{1/\Lambda^2}^{1-1/\Lambda^2} dx e^{-\lambda(x(1-x)p^2 + m^2)}$$
$$= X - 2Y.$$

$$X = \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \int_{2/\Lambda^2}^{\infty} \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} \int_0^1 dx e^{-\lambda(x(1-x)p^2 + m^2)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left[ \log\left(\frac{\Lambda^2}{2m^2}\right) - Y - \int_0^1 dx \log\left(1 + x(1-x)\frac{p^2}{m^2}\right) + O\left(\frac{p^2}{\Lambda^2}, \frac{m^2}{\Lambda^2}\right) \right].$$

$$Y = \frac{1}{(4\pi)^d} \int_{2/\lambda^2}^{\infty} \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} \int_0^{1/\lambda^2} dx e^{-\lambda(x(1-x)p^2 + m^2)}$$

$$\left[ 0 \leq \lambda x \leq \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \Rightarrow e^{-\lambda(x(1-x)p^2 + m^2)} = e^{-\lambda m^2} \left( 1 + O\left(\frac{p^2}{\lambda^2}\right) \right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{(4\pi)^d} \int_{2/\lambda^2}^{\infty} \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} \frac{1}{\lambda \lambda^2} e^{-\lambda m^2} \left( 1 + O\left(\frac{p^2}{\lambda^2}\right) \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{(4\pi)^d} \left( \frac{1}{2} + O\left(\frac{m^2}{\lambda^2}, \frac{p^2}{\lambda^2}\right) \right).$$

$$\therefore V_0 = x \sim Y$$

$$= \frac{1}{(4\pi)^d} \left( \log\left(\frac{\lambda^2}{2m^2}\right) - \gamma - 1 - \int_0^1 dx \log\left(1 + x(1-x)\frac{p^2}{m^2}\right) + O\left(\frac{p^2}{\lambda^2}, \frac{m^2}{\lambda^2}\right) \right).$$

$$V_3 = M_{DR}^{d-1} \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{1}{k^2 + m^2} \frac{1}{(k-p)^2 + m^2}$$

$$= M_{DR}^{d-1} \int \frac{d^d k'}{(2\pi)^d} \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{(k'^2 + x(1-x)p^2 + m^2)^2}$$

$\underbrace{\phantom{\int_0^1}}_{=: \Delta}$

$$= \frac{M_{DR}^{d-1}}{(4\pi)^{d/2} \Gamma(d/2)} \int_0^1 dx \Delta^{\frac{d}{2}-2} \boxed{B\left(\frac{d}{2}, 2-\frac{d}{2}\right)} = \Gamma\left(\frac{d}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(2-\frac{d}{2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{\mu_{DR}^{4-d}}{(4\pi)^{d/2}} \Gamma(2-\frac{d}{2}) \int_0^1 dx \Delta^{\frac{d}{2}-2}$$

$d=4-\epsilon$

$$\rightarrow = \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left[ \frac{2}{\epsilon} - \gamma - \int_0^1 dx \log \left( \frac{\Delta}{4\pi \mu_{DR}^2} \right) + O(\epsilon) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left[ \frac{2}{\epsilon} + \log \left( \frac{4\pi \mu_{DR}^2}{m^2} \right) - \gamma - \int_0^1 dx \log \left( 1 + x(1-x) \frac{P^2}{m^2} \right) + O(\epsilon) \right]$$

You may use

- $\int_\epsilon^\infty \frac{dt}{t} e^{-t} = -\log \epsilon - \gamma + O(\epsilon)$

- $B(p, q) = \int_0^\infty \frac{y^{p-1} dy}{(1+y)^{p+q}} = \frac{\Gamma(p) \Gamma(q)}{\Gamma(p+q)}$

- $\Gamma(n+1) = n!$  for  $n=0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$\Gamma(z) = \frac{1}{z} - \gamma + O(z) \quad \text{as } z \rightarrow 0$$

$$\Gamma(-1+z) = -\frac{1}{z} + \gamma - 1 + O(z) \quad \text{as } z \rightarrow 0$$

- $\frac{1}{AB} = \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{(xA + (1-x)B)^2}$