

More about diagrams

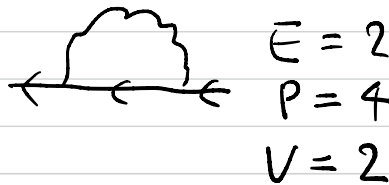
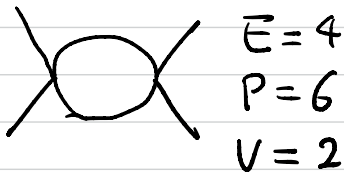
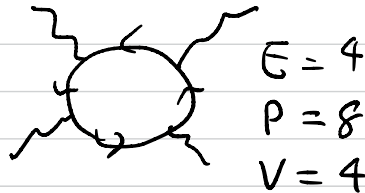
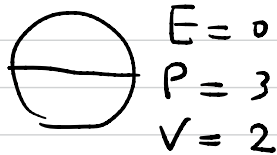
• Connected or not ✓

• Loops

$E = \# \text{ external lines}$

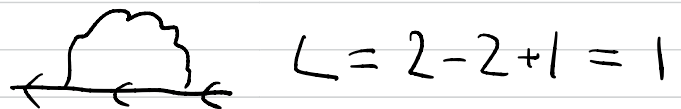
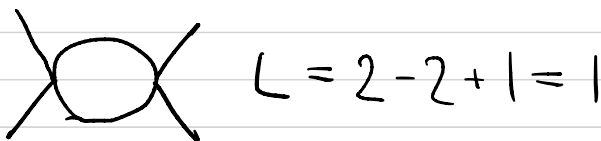
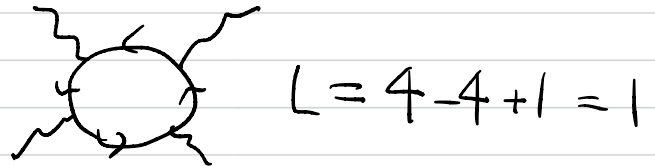
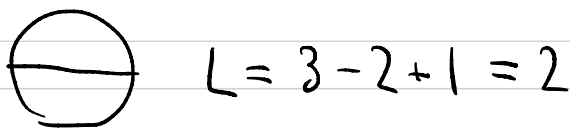
$P = \# \text{ propagators}$

$V = \# \text{ vertices}$



Then # internal lines $I = P - E$

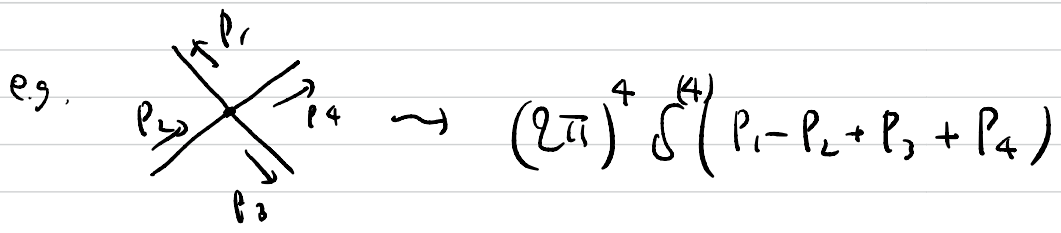
and # loops $L = I - V + 1 = P - E - V + 1$ if connected.



$$\int \prod_{v \in V} d^4 y_v \int \prod_{e \in E} d^4 p_e e^{-i p_e (x_e - y_{v(e)})} \int \prod_{i \in I} d^4 p_i e^{-i p_i (y_{t(i)} - y_{s(i)})} F(p)$$

$$\int d^4 y_v e^{i \sum_{l \in V} \epsilon_l p_l y_v} = (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)} \left(\sum_{l \in V} \epsilon_l p_l \right)$$

Sum over lines connected to v $\epsilon_l = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } l \text{ goes out of } v \\ -1 & \text{if } l \text{ comes in to } v \end{cases}$



$$= \int \prod_{e \in E} d^4 p_e e^{-i p_e x_e} \int \prod_{i \in I} d^4 p_i \prod_{v \in V} (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)} \left(\sum_{l \in V} \epsilon_l p_l \right) F(p)$$

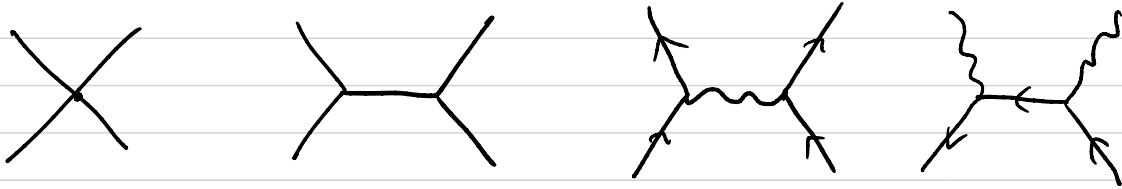
$$(2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)} \left(\sum_{e \in E} p_e \right) \prod_{v=1}^{V-1} (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)} \left(\sum_{l \in V} \epsilon_l p_l \right)$$

Overall momentum conservation

\therefore Net # of momentum integrals

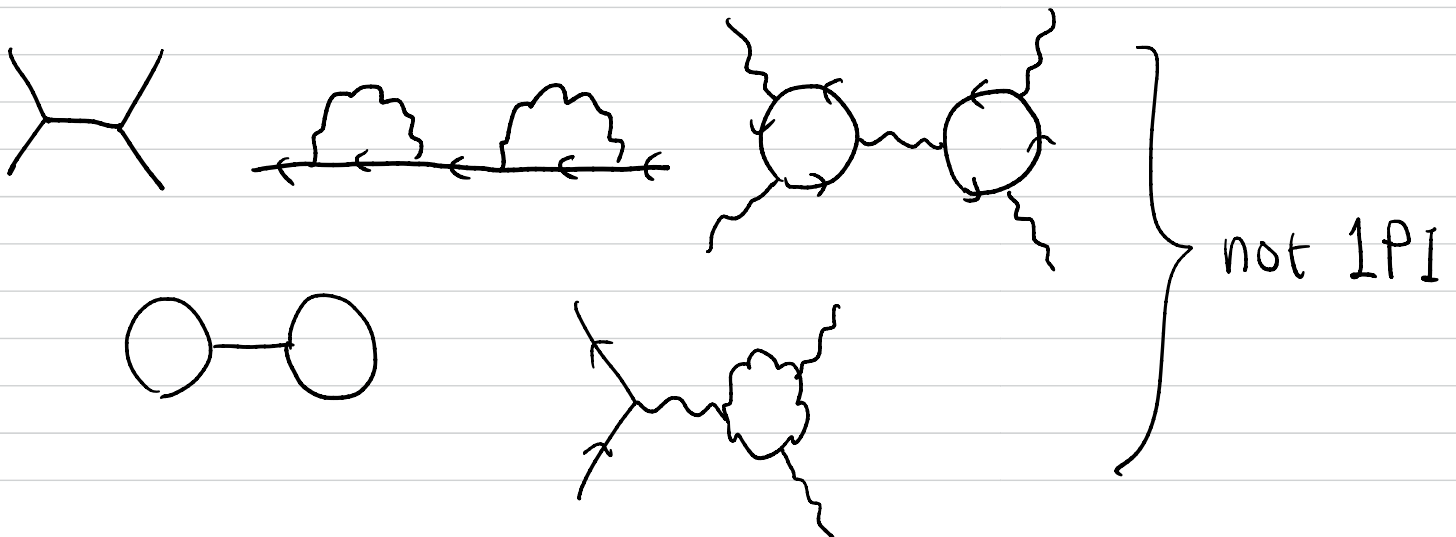
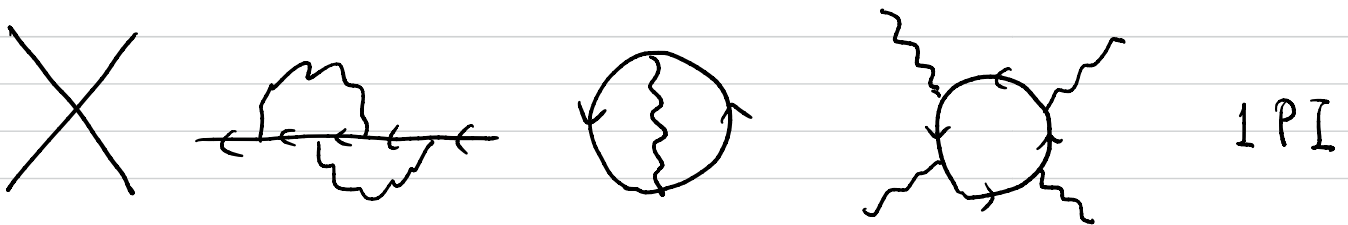
$$= I - (V - 1) = L.$$

- A diagram without loop ($L=0$) is called a tree diagram :

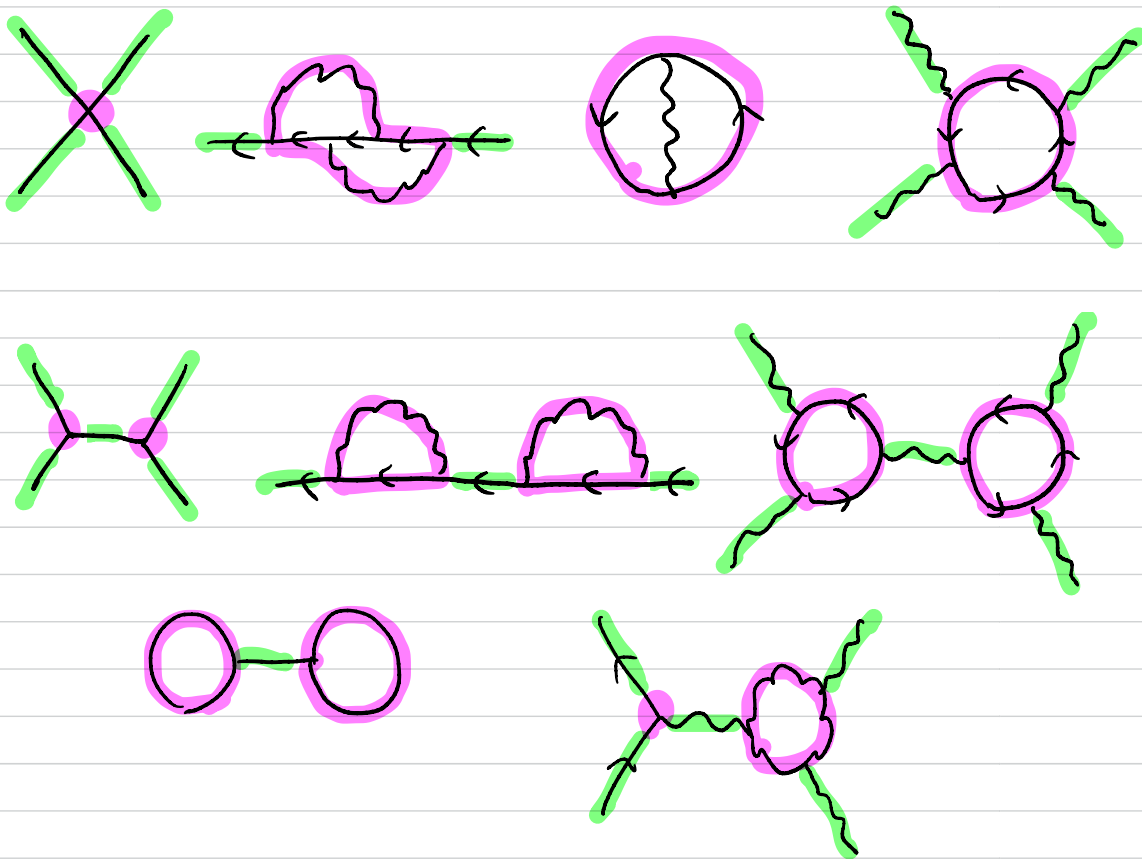


..... no momentum integral

- A connected diagram (\neq a propagator) is one particle irreducible (1PI) if it is still connected when any internal line is cut.



- Any diagram is uniquely decomposed into 1PI blocks and separating lines



$Z_{\text{pert}} \approx \langle f \rangle_{\text{pert}}$ is the sum of tree diagrams

with 1PI vertices.

1PI effective action

Consider a theory of variables $\phi = (\phi_1, \dots, \phi_N)$

measure $d\phi$ and action $S_E(\phi)$ (omit "E" below).

$$e^{-W(J)} = \int d\phi e^{-S(\phi) + J \cdot \phi}$$

Decompose $S(\phi) - J \cdot \phi = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \phi_i A^{ij} \phi_j}_{\text{free part}} + \underbrace{\text{else}}_{\text{interaction part}}$

and evaluate $W(J)$ perturbatively.

* Everything below is perturbative but we omit "pert".

e.g. $W(J) = W_{\text{pert}}(J)$ is the sum of connected diagrams.

$$-\frac{\partial}{\partial J_i} W(J) = \frac{\int d\phi e^{-S(\phi) + J \cdot \phi} \phi_i}{\int d\phi e^{-S(\phi) + J \cdot \phi}} =: \langle \phi_i \rangle_J$$

Solve $\langle \phi_i \rangle_J \stackrel{!}{=} \phi_i \quad i=1, \dots, N$ for J , write the solution

as $\bar{J} = \bar{J}(\phi)$ and put

Unique in perturbation theory

$$\Gamma(\phi) := W(\bar{J}(\phi)) + \bar{J}(\phi) \cdot \phi$$

.... Legendre transform of $W(J)$.

$$\frac{\partial \Gamma(\phi)}{\partial \phi_i} = \frac{\partial J^i(\phi)}{\partial \phi_i} \cdot \frac{\partial W}{\partial J^i(\phi)} + \frac{\partial J^i(\phi)}{\partial \phi_i} \cdot \phi_j + J^i(\phi) = J^i(\phi),$$

$i=1, \dots, N.$

Thus,

$$\phi_i^* := \langle \phi_i \rangle_{J=0} \Rightarrow J(\phi^*)=0 \quad \therefore \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \phi_i}(\phi^*)=0.$$

VEV of ϕ at $J=0$ is a critical point of $\Gamma(\phi)$.

Properties of $\Gamma(\phi)$

① It is a generating series of 1PI vertices

$$\Gamma(\phi) = \frac{1}{2} \log \det(A/2\pi) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \phi_i A^{ij} \phi_j - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \sum_{i_1 \dots i_n} \lambda_{1PI}^{i_1 \dots i_n} \phi_{i_1} \dots \phi_{i_n}$$

where $\lambda_{1PI}^{i_1 \dots i_n}$ is the 1PI vertex defined by

$$\langle \phi_{i_1} \dots \phi_{i_n} \rangle_{1PI} = \text{diagram of a circle with '1PI' inside and } n \text{ external lines } i_1, \dots, i_n = \sum_{j_1 \dots j_n} \overbrace{\phi_{i_1} \dots \phi_{i_1}}^{j_1} \dots \overbrace{\phi_{i_n} \dots \phi_{i_n}}^{j_n} \lambda_{1PI}^{j_1 \dots j_n}$$

For this reason, $\Gamma(\phi)$ is called 1PI effective action.

② $\Gamma(\phi) = \frac{1}{2} \log \det(A/\bar{a})$ - The sum of 1PI vacuum diagrams of $\mathcal{T}(\phi)$, the theory with background ϕ :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{variables } \xi = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_N) \\ \text{measure } d\phi \xi = d(\phi + \xi) \\ \text{action } S_\phi(\xi) = S(\phi + \xi) \end{array} \right.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int d\phi \xi e^{-S_\phi(\xi)} &= \frac{(2\pi)^N}{\sqrt{\det A}} e^{\text{connected vacuum diagrams}} \\ &= e^{-\Gamma(\phi) + \text{non-1PI conn. vac. diagrams}} \end{aligned}$$

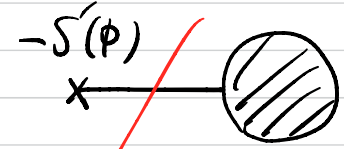
Here we take

$$S_\phi(\xi) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \xi_i A^{ij} \xi_j}_{\text{free part}} + \underbrace{\text{else}}_{\text{interaction part}}$$

③ This holds for any decomposition of $S_\phi(\xi)$ into **free** + **interaction**. In particular, for the expansion in powers of ξ , we can take the ξ -quadratic part $\frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \xi_i \xi_j \partial_i \partial_j S(\phi)$ as the free part.

$$S_{\phi}(\xi) = \underbrace{S(\phi)}_{\text{red wavy}} + \underbrace{S'(\phi)\xi}_{\text{blue wavy}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}S''(\phi)\xi^2}_{\text{green wavy, free part}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{3!}S'''(\phi)\xi^3}_{\text{red wavy, interaction}} + \dots$$

- $S(\phi)$ is outside the ξ integral.
- Any diagram involving the vertex $-S'(\phi)\cdot\xi$

is not 1PI: 

Thus, we can take only the cubic or higher powers in ξ as the interaction part to produce vertices.

With this understanding,

$$e^{-\Gamma(\phi)} = e^{-S(\phi)} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{(2\pi)^n}{\det S''(\phi)}} \cdot \exp(\text{1PI vacuum diagrams}).$$

That is,

$$\Gamma(\phi) = S(\phi) + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \log \det \left(\frac{S''(\phi)}{2\pi} \right)}_{\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \log \left(\frac{S''(\phi)}{2\pi} \right)} - \text{1PI vacuum diagrams}.$$

Consequence of ② :

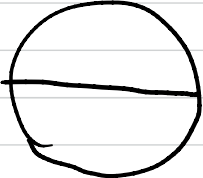
$$\text{recover } \hbar \int d\phi \mathcal{Z} e^{-\frac{1}{\hbar} S_\phi(\phi)} = e^{-\frac{1}{\hbar} \Gamma(\phi, \hbar)} + \text{others}$$

\rightsquigarrow propagator $\propto \hbar$, vertex $\propto \hbar^{-1}$

A LPI vacuum diagram with # propagator = P
vertices = V

$$\propto \hbar^{P-V} = \hbar^{L-1}$$

where $L = P - V + 1$ is # loops

eg.  $P=3$ $V=2$ $L=3-2+1=2$

$$\text{Thus, } \Gamma(\phi, \hbar) = \sum_{L=0}^{\infty} \hbar^L \Gamma_L(\phi)$$

$\Rightarrow -\Gamma_L(\phi)$ = the sum of LPI vacuum diagrams
with # loops = L

($\log \det(A/2\pi\hbar)$ is included in $L=1$)

$\therefore \hbar$ -expansion = loop expansion.

Parameter dependence

The action may depend on parameters $g = (g_I)$ such as coupling constants & external fields, and the dependence can be made explicit as $S(\phi, g)$, and similarly for $W(J, g)$ & $\Gamma(\phi, g)$. I.e.

$$e^{-W(J, g)} = \int d\phi e^{-S(\phi, g) + J \cdot \phi}$$

$$\langle \phi_i \rangle_{J, g} = - \frac{\partial W}{\partial J^i}(J, \phi) \stackrel{!}{=} \phi_i \rightsquigarrow J = J_g(\phi)$$

$$\Gamma(\phi, g) := W(J_g(\phi), g) + J_g(\phi) \cdot \phi$$

Then $\frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \phi_i}(\phi, g) = J_g^i(\phi)$ remains to hold.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Also } \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial g_I}(\phi, g) &= \frac{\partial J_g^j(\phi)}{\partial g_I} \frac{\partial W}{\partial J^j}(J_g(\phi), g) + \frac{\partial W}{\partial g_I}(J_g(\phi), g) \\ &\quad + \frac{\partial J_g^j(\phi)}{\partial g_I} \phi_j \end{aligned}$$

$$= \left\langle \frac{\partial S}{\partial g_I}(\phi, g) \right\rangle_{J_g(\phi), g}$$

Ward identity for 1PI effective action

Suppose $\phi \rightarrow \phi + \delta\phi$ is a symmetry, $\delta(d\phi e^{-S(\phi)}) = 0$.

Then, we have Ward identity

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \int d\phi \delta(d\phi e^{-S(\phi) + J \cdot \phi}) \\ &= \int d\phi e^{-S(\phi) + J \cdot \phi} J \cdot \delta\phi = e^{-W(J)} J \cdot \langle \delta\phi \rangle_J \end{aligned}$$

Set $J = J(\phi)$ and use $\frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \phi_i}(\phi) = J^i(\phi)$.

We obtain

$$\sum_i \langle \delta\phi_i \rangle_{J(\phi)} \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \phi_i}(\phi) = 0. \quad \text{Slavnov-Taylor identity}$$

i.e. $\Gamma(\phi)$ is invariant under $\phi \rightarrow \phi + \langle \delta\phi \rangle_{J(\phi)}$.

For an at most linear symmetry: $\delta\phi_i = M_{ij} \phi_j + C_i$,

$$\langle \delta\phi_i \rangle_{J(\phi)} = M_{ij} \langle \phi_j \rangle_{J(\phi)} + C_i = M_{ij} \phi_j + C_i = \delta\phi_i.$$

So $\Gamma(\phi)$ is invariant under the original symmetry.

A variant: Suppose $S(\phi, g)$ is invariant under

$$\phi \rightarrow \phi + \delta\phi \quad \text{and} \quad g \rightarrow g + \delta g.$$

$$0 = \int \delta \left(d\phi e^{-S(\phi, g) + J \cdot \phi} \right)$$

↖ for ϕ only

$$= \int d\phi e^{-S(\phi, g) + J \cdot \phi} \left(\underbrace{-\delta\phi_i \frac{\partial S}{\partial \phi_i}(\phi, g)}_{= \delta g_I \frac{\partial S}{\partial g_I}(\phi, g)} + J \cdot \delta\phi \right)$$

$$= e^{-W(J, g)} \left(\delta g \cdot \left\langle \frac{\partial S}{\partial g}(\phi, g) \right\rangle_{J, g} + J \cdot \langle \delta\phi \rangle_{J, g} \right)$$

Set $J = J_g(\phi)$ & use $\frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \phi_i}(\phi, g) = J_g^i(\phi)$,

$$\frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial g_I}(\phi, g) = \left\langle \frac{\partial S}{\partial g_I}(\phi, g) \right\rangle_{J_g(\phi), g}$$

$$\sum_i \langle \delta\phi_i \rangle_{J_g(\phi), g} \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \phi_i}(\phi, g) + \sum_I \delta g_I \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial g_I}(\phi, g) = 0$$

i.e. $\Gamma(\phi, g)$ is invariant under

$$\phi \rightarrow \phi + \langle \delta\phi \rangle_{J_g(\phi), g}, \quad g \rightarrow g + \delta g.$$

Ward identities in gauge theory

Consider a gauge theory with variable ϕ ,

action $\mathcal{S}_E(\phi)$, gauge symmetry $\phi \rightarrow \phi + \delta_\epsilon \phi$.

Choose a gauge fixing function $\chi(\phi)$

\rightsquigarrow gauge fixed system: variable $X = (\overset{b/f}{\phi}, \overset{f}{c}, \overset{f}{\bar{c}}, \overset{b}{B})$

$$\text{action } \tilde{\mathcal{S}}_E(X) = \mathcal{S}_E(\phi) + \frac{\omega}{2} B^2 - i B \chi(\phi) + \bar{c} \delta_c \chi(\phi)$$

BRST symmetry (fermionic & nilpotent $\delta_B^2 = 0$):

$$\delta_B \phi = \delta_c \phi, \quad \delta_B c = -\frac{1}{2} [c, c], \quad \delta_B \bar{c} = i B, \quad \delta_B B = 0$$

Introduce an external field $K = (\overset{f/b}{K^\phi}, \overset{b}{K^c}, \overset{b}{K^{\bar{c}}}, \cancel{K^B})$

coupled to $\delta_B X = (\overset{f/b}{\delta_B \phi}, \overset{b}{\delta_B c}, \overset{b}{\delta_B \bar{c}}, 0)$, and consider

$$S(X, K) = \tilde{\mathcal{S}}_E(X) - K \cdot \delta_B X$$

Define $W(J, K)$ & $\Gamma(\phi, K)$ as before.

$$\text{i.e. } e^{-W(J, K)} := \int dX e^{-\tilde{\mathcal{S}}(X) + J \cdot X + K \cdot \delta_B X}$$

$$J = (\overset{b/f}{J^\phi}, \overset{f}{J^c}, \overset{f}{J^{\bar{c}}}, \overset{b}{J^B})$$

$$\Gamma(X, K) := W(J_K(X), K) + J_K(X) \cdot X$$

where $J = J_K(X)$ soln of $\frac{\partial W}{\partial J}(J, K) \stackrel{!}{=} -X$

$$\frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial X_i}(X, K) = \frac{\partial J_K(X)}{\partial X_i} \cdot \frac{\partial W}{\partial J}(J_K(X), K) + \frac{\partial J_K(X)}{\partial X_i} \cdot X + \epsilon_i J_K^i(X)$$

-X

$$= \epsilon_i J_K^i(X) \quad ; \quad \epsilon_i = \begin{cases} 1 & X_i \text{ bosonic} \\ -1 & X_i \text{ fermionic} \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial K^i}(X, K) = \left\langle \frac{\partial S}{\partial K^i}(X, K) \right\rangle_{J_K(X), K} = - \langle \delta_B X_i \rangle_{J_K(X), K}$$

Ward identity for BRST symmetry:

$$0 = \int \delta_B \left(dx e^{-\tilde{S}(X) + J \cdot X + K \cdot \delta_B X} \right)$$

$$= \int dx e^{-\tilde{S}(X) + J \cdot X + K \cdot \delta_B X} \sum_i \epsilon_i J^i \delta_B X_i$$

$$= e^{-W(J, K)} \sum_i \epsilon_i J^i \langle \delta_B X_i \rangle_{J, K}$$

Set $J = J_K(x)$ & use above :

$$\sum_i \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial X_i}(x, K) \cdot \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial K^i}(x, K) = 0$$

Zinn-Justin equation

At $K=0$, it reduces to BRST-Ward identity :

$$\sum_i \langle \delta_B X_i \rangle_{J(x)} \cdot \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial X_i}(x) = 0.$$

Ghost number symmetry

The extended system $J(x, K) = \tilde{S}_E(x) - K \cdot \delta_B X$

has ghost number symmetry :

	ϕ	c	\bar{c}	B	K^ϕ	K^c	$K^{\bar{c}}$
ghost #	0	1	-1	0	-1	-2	0

I.e. it is invariant under

$$X_i \rightarrow e^{\alpha_{X_i} \alpha} X_i, \quad K^i \rightarrow e^{\alpha_{K^i} \alpha} K^i$$

$\Rightarrow \Gamma(x, K)$ also has the same symmetry.

B & K^c dependence

$$0 = \int dX \frac{\partial}{\partial B} \left(e^{-\tilde{S}_E(X) + J \cdot X + K \cdot \delta_B X} \right)$$

$$= \int dX e^{-\tilde{S}_E(X) + J \cdot X + K \cdot \delta_B X} \times$$

$$\left(-\xi B + i\chi(\phi) + J^B + iK^c \right)$$

Set $J = J_K(X)$. Also, assume $\chi(\phi)$ is at most linear in ϕ .

Then

$$-\xi B + i\chi(\phi) + \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial B} + iK^c = 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial B} = \xi B - i\chi(\phi) - iK^c.$$

$$\text{Also, } \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial K^c} = -\langle iB \rangle_{J_K(X), K} = -iB.$$

$$\therefore \Gamma(X, K) = \frac{1}{2} \xi B^2 - iB \cdot \chi(\phi) - iK^c \cdot B$$

+ B & K^c independent terms.

I.e. no quantum correction to B & K^c dependence.

These Ward identities will be used in the proof of renormalizability of gauge theory.