

3.3 Feynman rules

With Wick's theorem we write every time ordered n -point fct. as product of Feynman propagators. We introduce the diagrammatical notation

$$D_F(x_1 - x_2) = \langle 0 | T \phi_1 \phi_2 | 0 \rangle = \overset{1}{\circ} \text{---} \overset{2}{\circ}$$

It follows e.g.:

$$\langle 0 | T \phi_1 \circ \circ \circ \phi_4 | 0 \rangle = \overset{1}{\circ} \text{---} \overset{2}{\circ} + \overset{1}{\circ} \text{---} \overset{3}{\circ} \text{---} \overset{2}{\circ} \text{---} \overset{4}{\circ} + \overset{1}{\circ} \text{---} \overset{3}{\circ} \text{---} \overset{4}{\circ} \text{---} \overset{2}{\circ}$$

What about $\langle 0 | T \phi_1 \phi_1 | 0 \rangle$?

$$D_F(0) = \overset{1}{\circ} \text{---} \overset{1}{\circ}$$

$D_F(x)$ was given on p. 56, eq. (3.49):

$$\hat{\sim} D_F(0) = \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2 + i\varepsilon} \quad (3.59)$$

is singular. As already done before, this singularity will be removed by an appropriate adjustment of our computation (renormalisation).

Remark: $\left[\int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2 + i\varepsilon} \right] = 2$

$$\Rightarrow D_F(0) = \mu^2 + \text{infinite}$$

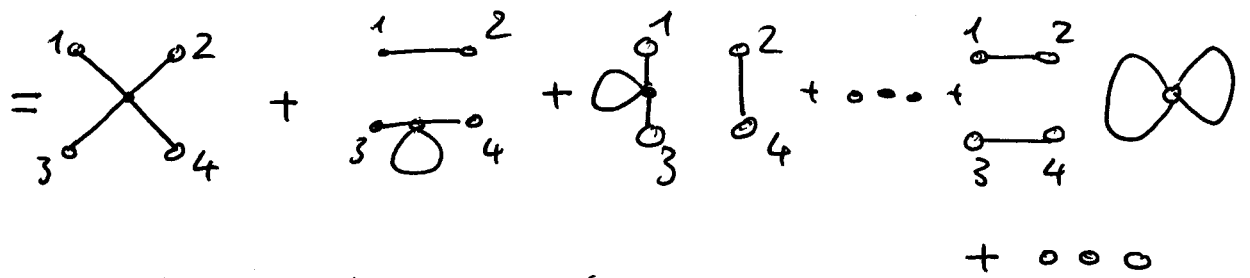
Relevant examples: 2-2 scattering:

(i) $O(\lambda^0) : \langle 0 | T \phi_1 \dots \phi_4 | 0 \rangle$

(ii) $O(\lambda) : \phi = \phi(x)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -\frac{i\lambda}{4!} \int d^4x \langle 0 | \phi_1 \dots \phi_4 \phi \phi \phi \phi | 0 \rangle \\
 & = -\frac{i\lambda}{4!} \int d^4x \left[\overbrace{\phi_1 \phi} \overbrace{\phi_2 \phi} \overbrace{\phi_3 \phi} \overbrace{\phi_4 \phi} \cdot 4! \overset{\# \text{ of pos. } \phi_0}{\text{distribute}} \phi^4 \rightarrow \phi_1 \phi_2 \phi_3 \phi_4 \right. \\
 & \quad + \overbrace{\phi \phi} \left\{ \overbrace{\phi_1 \phi} \overbrace{\phi_2 \phi} \overbrace{\phi_3 \phi_4} + \text{perm.} \right\} \cdot 12 \\
 & \quad \left. + \overbrace{\phi \phi} \overbrace{\phi \phi} \left\{ \overbrace{\phi_1 \phi_2} \overbrace{\phi_3 \phi_4} + \text{perm.} \right\} \cdot 3 \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

Diagrammatically (without sym. fact.)



where \times stands for $[-i\lambda \int d^4x]$

(iii) $O(\lambda^2)$:

$$\left(\frac{-i\lambda}{4!} \right)^2 \int d^4x \int d^4z \langle 0 | \phi_1 \dots \phi_4 \phi^4(x) \phi^4(z) | 0 \rangle$$

Diagrammatically:

$$O(\lambda^2) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{4!} 4! \left(\frac{1}{2!} 2! \right)^2 + \dots \right)$$

$$\frac{1}{8} = \frac{1}{4!} \cdot 4 \cdot 3$$

see p. 45 eq. 46

Combinatorics: Taylor expansion $\frac{1}{n!} H_{int}^n$

(i) $\frac{1}{8} \frac{1}{4!} 4! \frac{1}{n!} n!$ ← perm. of H_{int} \dots H_{int} n -times

prefactor in H_{int} permutations of how to contract ϕ^4 in H_{int} with 4 other ϕ 's


(ii) Symmetry factor S :

Simple comb. of (i) is changed if loops are present: ϕ 's in ϕ^4 cannot be counted as "other ϕ 's"

$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{8}$ with $S = \#$ of interchanging components without changing diagram

Feynman rules: comp. of $\langle 0|T\phi_1 \dots \phi_n e^{-i\int d^4x \phi^4}|0\rangle$

(i)  = $D_F(x_1 - x_2)$

(ii)  = $(-i\lambda) \int d^4x$

(iii) multiplication with $1/S$

Use for final result $(\langle 0|\sigma|0\rangle =: \langle 0\rangle)$

$$\frac{\langle 0|T\phi_1 \dots \phi_n e^{i\int d^4x \mathcal{L}_{int}}|0\rangle}{\langle 0|T e^{i\int d^4x \mathcal{L}_{int}}|0\rangle} =: \langle T\phi_1 \dots \phi_n \rangle$$

For the comput., we note that the

term $\langle 0|T\phi_1 \dots \phi_n \mathcal{L}_{int}^m / m!|0\rangle$ can be

ordered in terms of contractions between the

ϕ_i and the \mathcal{L}_{int} 's:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle 0|T\phi_1 \dots \phi_n \mathcal{L}_{int}^m / m!|0\rangle &= \langle 0|T\phi_1 \dots \phi_n|0\rangle \langle 0|T\mathcal{L}_{int}^m|0\rangle \frac{1}{m!} \\ &+ \langle 0|T\phi_1 \dots \phi_n \mathcal{L}_{int}|0\rangle \langle 0|T\mathcal{L}_{int}^{m-1}|0\rangle \frac{1}{(m-1)!} \dots \end{aligned} \quad (3.61)$$

that is,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \langle 0 | T \phi_1 \dots \phi_n e^{i \int d^4 x \mathcal{L}_{int}} | 0 \rangle \\
 &= \langle 0 | T \phi_1 \dots \phi_n | 0 \rangle + \langle 0 | T \phi_1 \dots \phi_n \mathcal{L}_{int} | 0 \rangle \\
 &+ \langle 0 | T \phi_1 \dots \phi_n (\mathcal{L}_{int}^2 / 2!) | 0 \rangle + \dots + \langle 0 | T e^{i \int d^4 x \mathcal{L}_{int}} | 0 \rangle
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.62}$$

It follows that

$$\frac{\langle 0 | T \phi_1 \dots \phi_n e^{i \int d^4 x \mathcal{L}_{int}} | 0 \rangle}{\langle 0 | T e^{i \int d^4 x \mathcal{L}_{int}} | 0 \rangle} = \langle 0 | T \phi_1 \dots \phi_n e^{i \int d^4 x \mathcal{L}_{int}} | 0 \rangle$$

(3.63)

= all diagrams without vacuum bubbles

For (3.62) we use

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{1}{m!} \langle 0 | T \phi_1 \cdots \phi_n \mathcal{L}_{int}^m | 0 \rangle \Big|_{\mathcal{O}(2\mathcal{L}_{int}\text{-contr.})} \\
 &= \frac{1}{m!} \langle 0 | T \phi_1 \cdots \phi_n \mathcal{L}_{int}^2 | 0 \rangle \langle 0 | T \mathcal{L}_{int}^{m-2} | 0 \rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \langle 0 | T \phi_1 \cdots \phi_n \mathcal{L}_{int}^2 | 0 \rangle \frac{1}{(m-2)!} \langle 0 | T \mathcal{L}_{int}^{m-2} | 0 \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

$\cdot \frac{m \cdot (m-1)}{2}$

In general the combinatorial factor for

l - \mathcal{L}_{int} -contr. is

$$\frac{1}{m!} \binom{m}{l} = \frac{1}{m!} \frac{m!}{(m-l)!} \frac{1}{l!} = \frac{1}{(m-l)!} \frac{1}{l!}$$

Most computations are done in momentum space : Fourier transforms

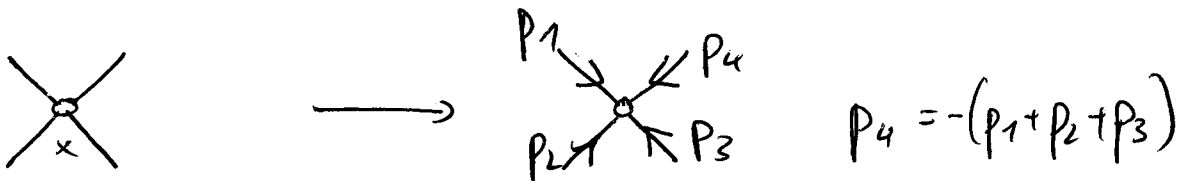
$$(i) \quad D_F(x-y) \xrightarrow{p_1, p_2} \frac{i}{p_1^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_1 - p_2)$$

(slight abuse of notation) $\rightarrow \mathcal{D}_F(p)$



$$(ii) \quad -i\lambda \int d^4x \phi(x)^4 = -i\lambda \int \prod_{i=1}^4 \frac{d^4 p_i}{(2\pi)^4} \phi(p_i) \cdot (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_1 + p_2 + p_3 + p_4)$$

$$-i\lambda \rightarrow -i\lambda (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_1 + p_2 + p_3 + p_4)$$

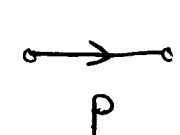


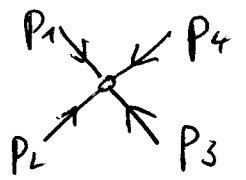
For example:

$$= (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_1 + p_2 - p_3 - p_4)$$

$$\cdot \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} \frac{1}{(p - p_1 - p_2)^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}$$


Feynman rules in momentum space

(i)  = $\frac{i}{p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}$

(ii)  = $-i\lambda$ and $p_4 = -(p_1 + p_2 + p_3)$

momentum conserved.

(iii) $\int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4}$ for each loop

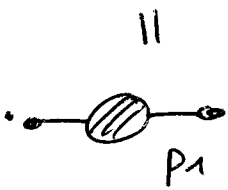
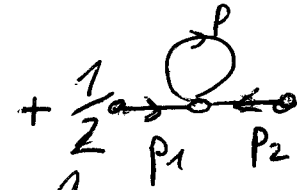
(iv) $(2\pi)^4 \delta^4(\sum_i p_i)$ for 

(v) multiplication with 1/S

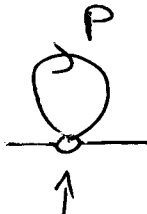
Examples:

(1) two-point fct.:

$$\langle T \phi(p_1) \phi(-p_2) \rangle = \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_1 + p_2)$$

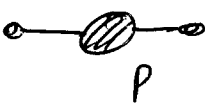
$(2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_1 + p_2)$  || $\frac{1}{2}$  + $O(\lambda^2)$

↑
1/S



$$= -i\lambda \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} = -i\pi + O(\lambda^2)$$
 without ext. props. (3.64)


Hermitics:



$$= \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} + \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} (-i\pi) \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} + O(\lambda^2)$$

$$= \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2 - \pi + i\epsilon} + O(\lambda^2)$$
(3.65)

$\Rightarrow m^2 - \pi = \text{interacting mass}$
finite!

in general (beyond 1-loop): e.g. 

$$\pi \rightarrow \pi(p)$$

Remarks: proper treatment: renormalisation

interacting vs free observables: LSZ-form.

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