

Draft for Quantum Field Theory in a Nutshell by A. Zee. 2ed.

$q \updownarrow$

$$\langle q_F | e^{-iHT} | q_I \rangle = \langle q_F | \mathbb{T} e^{-iH\delta t} \dots e^{-iH\delta t} | q_I \rangle$$

$$\int dq |q\rangle \langle q| = 1.$$

$$\int dq |q''\rangle \langle q| \langle q| q'\rangle = \int dq \delta(q-q'') \delta(q-q') = \int dq \cdot \left(\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dp}{2\pi} e^{ip(q''-q)} \right) \left(\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dp}{2\pi} e^{ip(q-q')} \right)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dp}{2\pi} e^{ipq} = \begin{cases} q \neq 0, & 0 \\ q = 0, & \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dp}{2\pi} \rightarrow \infty \end{cases}$$

$$\int dq \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dp}{2\pi} e^{ipq}$$

Appendix 1. (in I.1)

$$d_k(x) = \int_{-\frac{K}{2}}^{\frac{K}{2}} \frac{dk}{2\pi} e^{ikx} = \int_{-\frac{K}{2}}^{\frac{K}{2}} \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{ix} e^{ikx} \Big|_{-\frac{K}{2}}^{\frac{K}{2}} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{ix} (e^{i\frac{K}{2}x} - e^{-i\frac{K}{2}x}) = \frac{1}{\pi ix} \sin\left(\frac{Kx}{2}\right)$$

$$d_k(x) = \int_{-\frac{K}{2}}^{\frac{K}{2}} \frac{dk}{2\pi} e^{ikx} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{ix} e^{ikx} \Big|_{-\frac{K}{2}}^{\frac{K}{2}} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{ix} \cdot \frac{2i \sin(\frac{Kx}{2})}{2} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{ix} i \cdot 2 \cdot \sin\left(\frac{Kx}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{\pi x} \sin\left(\frac{Kx}{2}\right)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dx \cdot d_k(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dx \cdot \frac{1}{\pi x} \sin\left(\frac{Kx}{2}\right) \stackrel{y=\frac{K}{2}x}{=} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dy \cdot \frac{2}{K\pi \frac{2}{K}y} \sin y = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \frac{\sin y}{y}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \text{Im} \oint \frac{e^{iz}}{z} dz = 1$$



So $\delta(x) = \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} d_K(x)$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dx \cdot \delta(x-a) S(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dx \cdot \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{\pi k} \sin \frac{k(x-a)}{2} \right) \cdot S(x)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dx \frac{1}{x+i\epsilon} = \oint \frac{1}{z} = \frac{1}{\pi} - i\pi \delta(x)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dx \frac{1}{x+i\epsilon} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dx \frac{x-i\epsilon}{x^2+\epsilon^2} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{x}{x^2+\epsilon^2} - i \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{\epsilon}{x^2+\epsilon^2}$$

$$\langle q_F | e^{-iH_T} | q_I \rangle = \langle q_F | e^{-iH\delta t} \dots e^{-iH\delta t} | q_I \rangle$$

$$= \left(\prod_{j=1}^{N-1} \int dq_j \right) \langle q_F | e^{-iH\delta t} | q_{N-1} \rangle \langle q_{N-1} | e^{-iH\delta t} | q_{N-2} \rangle \dots \langle q_1 | e^{-iH\delta t} | q_I \rangle$$

$$\langle q_{j+1} | e^{-i \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} \delta t} | q_j \rangle = \int$$

$$\int \frac{dp}{2\pi} \langle q_{j+1} | p \rangle \langle p | q_j \rangle = \int \frac{dp}{2\pi} e^{ipq_{j+1}} e^{-ipq_j} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int dp e^{ip(q_{j+1}-q_j)} = \delta(q_{j+1}-q_j)$$

$$\int \frac{dp}{2\pi} \langle q_{j+1} | e^{-i \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} \delta t} | p \rangle \langle p | q_j \rangle = \int \frac{dp}{2\pi} \cdot \langle q_{j+1} | e^{-i\delta t \frac{p^2}{2m}} | p \rangle \langle p | q_j \rangle$$

$$= \int \frac{dp}{2\pi} \cdot e^{-i\delta t \frac{p^2}{2m}} \cdot e^{ipq_{j+1}} \cdot e^{-ipq_j} = \int \frac{dp}{2\pi} \cdot e^{-i\delta t \frac{p^2}{2m} + ip(q_{j+1}-q_j)}$$

$$= e^{-\frac{(q_{j+1}-q_j)^2}{4(-i\frac{\delta t}{2m})}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{i\frac{\delta t}{2m}}} = e^{i \frac{(q_{j+1}-q_j)^2}{2\delta t}} \cdot \sqrt{-i \frac{2\pi m}{\delta t}} \quad (\text{Calculated Using Mathematica}).$$

$$= e^{i \frac{m}{2} \delta t \frac{(q_{j+1}-q_j)^2}{\delta t^2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-\frac{(q_{j+1}-q_j)^2}{4(-i\frac{\delta t}{2m})}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{i\frac{\delta t}{2m}}} = \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{i \frac{(q_{j+1}-q_j)^2}{2\delta t}} \cdot \sqrt{-i \frac{2\pi m}{\delta t}} \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi}$$

$$= e^{i m \frac{(q_{j+1}-q_j)^2}{2\delta t}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{-im}{2\pi\delta t}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{So } \langle q_F | e^{-iHt} | q_I \rangle &= \prod_{j=1}^{N-1} \int e^{\frac{im(q_F - q_{N-1})^2}{2\delta t}} \left(\frac{-im}{2\pi\delta t} \right)^{\frac{N}{2}} \dots \\
 &= \prod_{j=1}^{N-1} \left(\frac{-im}{2\pi\delta t} \right)^{\frac{N}{2}} \cdot e^{\frac{im}{2\delta t} (q_F - q_{N-1})^2 + \dots + (q_1 - q_I)^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\int dq_1 \langle q_F | e^{-iH\delta t} | q_I \rangle \langle q_I | e^{-iH\delta t} | q_I \rangle =$$

$$\text{So when } \hat{H} = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m}$$

$$\langle q_F | e^{-iH\delta t} | q_I \rangle = \prod_{j=1}^{N-1} \int dq_j \cdot \left(\frac{-im}{2\pi\delta t} \right)^{\frac{N}{2}} \cdot e^{\frac{im}{2\delta t} ((q_F - q_{N-1})^2 + \dots + (q_1 - q_I)^2)}$$

$$\stackrel{*}{=} \prod_{j=1}^{N-1} \int dq_j \left(\frac{-im}{2\pi\delta t} \right)^{\frac{N}{2}} \cdot e^{\frac{im}{2}\delta t \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \left(\frac{q_{j+1} - q_j}{\delta t} \right)^2}$$

$$\rightarrow \prod_{j=1}^{N-1} \int dq_j \left(\frac{-im}{2\pi\delta t} \right)^{\frac{N}{2}} \cdot e^{\frac{im}{2} \int dt \cdot \left(\frac{dq(t)}{dt} \right)^2}$$

$$\int \mathcal{D}q(t) := \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{-im}{2\pi\delta t} \right)^{\frac{N}{2}} \int \prod_{j=1}^{N-1} dq_j$$

so

$$\langle q_F | e^{-iHt} | q_I \rangle \approx \int \mathcal{D}q(t) \cdot e^{\frac{im}{2} \int dt \dot{q}^2} = \int \mathcal{D}q(t) e^{i \int dt \cdot \frac{1}{2} m \dot{q}^2}$$

Appendix 2

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2} a x^2} dx = \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{a}}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x^{2n} e^{-\frac{1}{2} a x^2} dx = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x^{2n-2} \left(\frac{d}{da} e^{-\frac{1}{2} a x^2} \right) \cdot (-2) dx$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (-2) \left(\frac{d}{da} \right)^n e^{-\frac{1}{2} a x^2} dx = (-2)^n \cdot \frac{d^n}{da^n} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{a}} \quad (a^{-\frac{1}{2}})$$

$$= (-2)^n \cdot \sqrt{2\pi} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) \left(-\frac{5}{2}\right) \dots \left(-\frac{2n-1}{2}\right) \cdot a^{-\frac{2n+1}{2}}$$

$$= \sqrt{2\pi} \cdot 1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \dots (2n-1) \cdot a^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{a^n} = \frac{(2n-1)!!}{a^n} \cdot \sqrt{2\pi}$$

Wrong \rightarrow $C_n^2 = \frac{6 \times 5}{2} = 15$ $C_{2n}^2 = \frac{(2n)(2n-1)}{2} = n(2n-1)$

$$e^{-\frac{1}{2} x^T A x + J^T x}$$

$$A = O^T \cdot D \cdot O \Rightarrow OA = DO$$

$$= O^T D O \quad (O^T = O^T)$$

$$e^{-\frac{1}{2} x^T O^T A D O x + J^T O^T O x}$$

$$e^{-\frac{1}{2} (Ox)^T D O x + (OJ)^T O x}$$

$$= e^{-\frac{1}{2} y^T D y + J'^T y}$$

$$= e^{-\frac{1}{2} y_i D_{ii} y_i + (J')_i y_i} \quad \text{integration}$$

$$\left(\frac{2\pi}{a} \right)^{\frac{N}{2}} e^{\frac{1}{2} J'^T J' y_i} \left(\frac{\pi}{i J' D_{ii}} \right) e^{J'^T y_i}$$

Changing variables : $y = O x \Rightarrow \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = O \Rightarrow dy = \left| \frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \right| dx$

$$\Rightarrow dx_1 \dots dx_n = dx = \frac{1}{|\det O|} dy$$

Also $\prod_i \left(\frac{2\pi}{D_{ii}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{(2\pi)^{\frac{N}{2}}}{\left(\prod_i D_{ii} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \left(\frac{(2\pi)^N}{\det[D]} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{(2\pi)^N}{\det(A)}}$

$$\frac{\bar{J}_i J_i}{2D_{ii}} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{J}_i (OJ)_i \frac{1}{D_{ii}} (OJ)_i = \frac{1}{2} (OJ)^T \frac{1}{D} (OJ)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} J^T A^{-1} J$$

so

$$\det(O) = 1 \quad \text{since } O \text{ is orthogonal!}$$

$$\text{so } \prod \dots = \left(\frac{(2\pi)^N}{\det A} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{\frac{1}{2} J^T A^{-1} J}$$

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$$\cancel{A=A^{-1}}$$

$$A = A^T$$

so

$$A^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$$

$$\frac{d}{dJ_j} \frac{d}{dJ_k} \left(e^{\frac{1}{2} J^T A^{-1} J} \right) = \frac{d}{dJ_j} \left(e^{\frac{1}{2} J^T A^{-1} J} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \left(J_i (A^{-1})_{ii} + \sum_{k \neq i} \bar{J}_k (A^{-1})_{ik} \right) \right)$$

$$= \frac{d}{dJ_j} \left(e^{\frac{1}{2} J^T A^{-1} J} \cdot \sum_k \bar{J}_k (A^{-1})_{ik} \right)$$

$$= e^{\frac{1}{2} J^T A^{-1} J} \cdot \frac{d}{dJ_j} \left(\frac{1}{2} J^T A^{-1} J \right) \cdot \sum_k \bar{J}_k (A^{-1})_{ik}$$

(this term vanishes when $J = 0$)

$$+ e^{\frac{1}{2} J^T A^{-1} J} (A^{-1})_{ij}$$

$$\bar{J}=0$$

$$= (A^{-1})_{ij}$$

$$\frac{d}{dJ_k} \frac{d}{dJ_j} \frac{d}{dJ_i} \left(e^{\frac{1}{2} J^T A^{-1} J} \right) = e^{\frac{1}{2} J^T A^{-1} J} \frac{d}{dJ_k} \left(\frac{1}{2} J^T A^{-1} J \right) \frac{d}{dJ_j} \left(\frac{1}{2} J^T A^{-1} J \right) \bar{J}_i \bar{J}_k (A^{-1})_{ik}$$

$$+ e^{\frac{1}{2} J^T A^{-1} J} (A^{-1})_{jk} - \sum_k \bar{J}_k (A^{-1})_{ik} + e^{\frac{1}{2} J^T A^{-1} J} \frac{d}{dJ_j} \left(\frac{1}{2} J^T A^{-1} J \right) (A^{-1})_{ik}$$

$$+ (A^{-1})_{ij} e^{\frac{1}{2} J^T A^{-1} J} \sum_k \bar{J}_k (A^{-1})_{ik}$$

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$$\frac{d}{dJ_l} \frac{d}{dJ_k} \frac{d}{dJ_j} \frac{d}{dJ_i} \left(e^{\frac{1}{2} J^T A J} \right)$$

$$= \frac{dA}{dJ_l} + \frac{d}{dJ_l} \left(e^{\frac{1}{2} J^T A J} \right) (A^{-1})_{jk} \sum_m \frac{d}{dJ_k} \left(\frac{1}{2} J^T A J \right) (A^{-1})_{im} + e^{\frac{1}{2} J^T A J} (A^{-1})_{jk} (A^{-1})_{il}$$

$$+ \frac{d}{dJ_l} \left(e^{\frac{1}{2} J^T A J} \right) (A^{-1})_{ik} \frac{d}{dJ_j} \left(\frac{1}{2} J^T A J \right) + e^{\frac{1}{2} J^T A J} (A^{-1})_{ik} (A^{-1})_{jl}$$

$$+ \frac{d}{dJ_l} \left(e^{\frac{1}{2} J^T A J} \right) (A^{-1})_{ij} \sum_m \frac{d}{dJ_j} \left(\frac{1}{2} J^T A J \right) (A^{-1})_{km} + e^{\frac{1}{2} J^T A J} (A^{-1})_{ij} (A^{-1})_{kl}$$

$$J=0$$

$$= (A^{-1})_{jk} (A^{-1})_{il} + (A^{-1})_{ik} (A^{-1})_{jl} + (A^{-1})_{ij} (A^{-1})_{kl}.$$

$$\langle \chi_i \chi_j \rangle = \frac{\frac{d}{dJ_i} \frac{d}{dJ_j} \left(e^{\frac{1}{2} J^T A J} \right) \big|_{J=0} \cdot \left(\frac{(2\pi)^N}{\det A} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{\left(\frac{(2\pi)^N}{\det A} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}} = (A^{-1})_{ij}.$$

$$L = \sum_a \frac{1}{2} m_a \dot{q}_a^2 - \sum_{ab} \frac{1}{2} k_{ab} (q_a - q_b)^2 - \sum_a W(q_a)$$

$$q_a(t) \rightarrow \varphi(\vec{x}, t) \quad \sum_a m_a \rightarrow \int d^3x \rho \quad \dot{q}_a^2 = \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t}^2$$

$$\sum_{ab} k_{ab} (q_a - q_b)^2 \rightarrow (ds)^2 \rightarrow l^2 \left(\frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

$$\int \sum_{ab} k_{ab} \frac{1}{2} k_{ab} (q_a - q_b)^2 \rightarrow \int d^3x \rho \left(\frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial y^2} \right)$$

$$S \stackrel{R}{=} \int_0^T dt \cdot \int d^2x \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} \right)^2 - \rho \left(\frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial y^2} \right) - \underbrace{U \varphi^2 - S \varphi^4}_{\text{why no } \varphi, \varphi^3, \text{ etc.}} \right\} \quad (?)$$

0+1 :

$$S = \int_0^T dt \quad ? \rightarrow S = \int_0^T dt \quad L$$

In 0 dimension, we have only a point.

$$\delta L(\varphi) \rightarrow L = L(\partial \varphi, \varphi) \quad , \quad \partial \varphi = \partial_\mu \varphi$$

$$\delta L = \frac{\partial L}{\partial (\partial_\mu \varphi)} \delta (\partial_\mu \varphi) + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \varphi} \delta \varphi$$

$$\delta \partial_\mu \varphi = \partial_\mu (\delta \varphi)$$

$$\text{so } \delta \int d^D x \quad L(\varphi) = \int d^D x \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial (\partial_\mu \varphi)} \delta (\partial_\mu \varphi) + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \varphi} \delta \varphi \right)$$

$$= \int d^D x \frac{\partial L}{\partial (\partial_\mu \varphi)} \partial_\mu (\delta \varphi) + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \varphi} \delta \varphi = \frac{\partial L}{\partial (\partial_\mu \varphi)} \delta \varphi \Big|_{\text{boundary}} + \int d^D x \left[- \partial_\mu \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial (\partial_\mu \varphi)} \right) + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \varphi} \right] \delta \varphi$$

$$= 0 \Rightarrow \partial_\mu \frac{\partial L}{\partial (\partial_\mu \varphi)} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \varphi} = 0, \text{ or using the } \text{correct} \text{ symbol for variation}$$

$$\partial_\mu \frac{\delta L}{\delta (\partial_\mu \varphi)} - \frac{\delta L}{\delta \varphi} = 0.$$

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Free field:

$$\partial_\mu \left(\frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta (\partial_\mu \varphi)} \right) - \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta \varphi} = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad \mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} ((\partial \varphi)^2 - m^2 \varphi^2)$$

$$\frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta (\partial_\mu \varphi)} = \partial^\mu \varphi \quad , \quad \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta \varphi} = -m^2 \varphi.$$

$$\text{so } \partial_\mu \partial^\mu \varphi + m^2 \varphi = 0 \Rightarrow \cancel{\partial^2 \varphi} + m^2 \varphi = 0 \Rightarrow (\partial^2 + m^2) \varphi = 0$$

$$\text{Explicitly: } \cancel{\frac{1}{x^\mu} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x^\mu}} \quad \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2} \quad \nabla^2 \varphi + - \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial t^2} + m^2 \varphi = 0.$$

$$\text{or } (\nabla^2 + m^2) \varphi = \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial t^2}$$

$$\text{assume } \varphi = e^{i(\omega t - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{x})} \quad \nabla \varphi$$

$$\text{then } \nabla \varphi = -i \vec{k} \varphi \quad \nabla^2 = -k^2 \varphi$$

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t} = i \omega \varphi \quad \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial t^2} = -\omega^2 \varphi$$

$$\text{so } (m^2 - k^2) \varphi = -\omega^2 \varphi \Rightarrow \omega^2 = k^2 - m^2$$

But if the signature of metric is changed:

$$-\nabla^2 \varphi + \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial t^2} + m^2 \varphi = 0$$

$$\text{then } (m^2 - \nabla^2) \varphi = \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial t^2} \quad (\nabla^2 - m^2) \varphi = \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial t^2}$$

$$\text{or } \cancel{m^2 + k^2 = \omega^2} \quad \text{or } -k^2 - m^2 = -\omega^2$$

$$\text{so } \omega^2 = k^2 + m^2.$$

Then, why a change in signature would alter the dispersion relationship $\omega(k)$?

$$Z = \int \mathcal{D}\varphi \cdot e^{i \int d^4x \left\{ \frac{1}{2} [(\partial\varphi)^2 - m^2\varphi^2] + J\varphi \right\}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int d^4x (\partial\varphi)^2 &= \int d^4x \partial^\mu \varphi \cdot \partial_\mu \varphi = \int d^4x 0 - \int d^4x \varphi (\partial^\mu \partial_\mu \varphi) \\ &= 0 - \int d^4x \varphi (\partial^2 \varphi). \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{so } \frac{1}{2} [(\partial\varphi)^2 - m^2\varphi^2] \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} \varphi (\partial^2 + m^2) \varphi$$

$$\int \mathcal{D}\varphi e^{i a^4 \cdot \sum_i -\frac{1}{2} \varphi_i \cdot (M_{ij} M_{jk} \varphi_k + m^2 \varphi) + J\varphi}$$

$$= \int \mathcal{D}\varphi e^{i a^4 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \varphi^T \cdot M^2 \cdot \varphi + m^2 I} \int \mathcal{D}\varphi e^{i a^4 \left(-\frac{1}{2} \varphi^T (M^2 + m^2) \varphi + J\varphi \right)}$$

$$-(\partial^2 + m^2) \mathcal{D}(x-y) = -(\partial^2 + m^2) \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{e^{ik(x-y)}}{k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}$$

$$= \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{k^2 - m^2}{k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} e^{ik(x-y)} = \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{(k^2 - m^2)}{k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} \frac{1}{x} \frac{e^{ik(x-y)}}{-i\pi \delta(k^2 - m^2)}$$

$$\frac{1}{x + i\epsilon} = \mathcal{P} \frac{1}{x} - i\pi \delta(x)$$

$$= \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} (k^2 - m^2) \left(\mathcal{P} \frac{1}{(k^2 - m^2)} - i\pi \delta(k^2 - m^2) \right) e^{ik(x-y)}$$

$$\mathcal{P} \delta(k^2 - m^2) = \frac{1}{|2k|} \cdot \delta(k - m) + \frac{1}{|2k|} \delta(k + m)$$

$$d(k^2 - m^2) = 2k dk$$

$$\mathcal{P} \frac{1}{k^2 - m^2} = \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} (k^2 - m^2) e^{ik(x-y)} \frac{k^2 - m^2}{(k^2 - m^2)^2 + \epsilon^2}$$

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

$$\int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \left(\mathcal{P} \frac{1}{k^2 - m^2} \right) \frac{k^2 - m^2}{k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} e^{ik(x-y)}$$

$$d^4 k = \underbrace{k \cdot dk}_{\text{length}} \cdot \underbrace{d\Omega}_{\text{direction}}$$

$$= \int \frac{d\Omega}{(2\pi)^4} \cdot dk \left(\mathcal{P} \frac{1}{k^2 - m^2} \right) \frac{k^2 - m^2}{k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} e^{ik(x-y)}$$

$$= \int \frac{d\Omega}{(2\pi)^4} \cdot \frac{d(k^2 - m^2)}{2kd} \frac{k^2 - m^2}{(k^2 - m^2)^2 + \epsilon^2} \cdot \frac{k^2 - m^2}{k^2 - m^2} (k^2 - m^2) e^{ik(x-y)} \quad (\epsilon \rightarrow 0)$$

$$> \int \frac{d\Omega}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{d(k^2 - m^2)}{2k} e^{ik(x-y)} = \int \frac{d\Omega}{(2\pi)^4} dk e^{ik(x-y)} = \delta^4(x-y)$$

Hence :

$$\int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{k^2 - m^2}{k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} e^{ik(x-y)} = \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \left(\mathcal{P} \frac{1}{k^2 - m^2} \right) (k^2 - m^2) e^{ik(x-y)} - i\pi \delta(k^2 - m^2) (k^2 - m^2) e^{ik(x-y)}$$

$$= \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} = \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \left[\underbrace{\left(\mathcal{P} \frac{1}{k^2 - m^2} - i\pi \delta(k^2 - m^2) \right)}_{\text{integrate into zero}} (k^2 - m^2) e^{ik(x-y)} \right]$$

$$= \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \left(\mathcal{P} \frac{1}{k^2 - m^2} \right) (k^2 - m^2) e^{ik(x-y)}$$

$$= \delta^4(x-y)$$

Getting $D(x)$:

$$\omega_k = \sqrt{k^2 + m^2}$$

$$\text{let } \overline{k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} = 0 \Rightarrow k^0 = \pm \sqrt{k^2 + m^2 + i\epsilon}$$

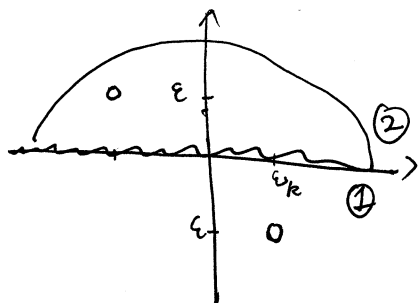
$$D(x) = \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{e^{ikx}}{k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}$$

(Note : in this part \vec{k} is just the space component of the four-vector k^μ .)

$$\text{let } k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon = 0 \text{ i.e. } k^0{}^2 - \vec{k}^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon = 0 \Rightarrow k^0 = \pm \sqrt{\omega_k^2 - i\epsilon} = \pm \omega_k \sqrt{1 - i\frac{\epsilon}{\omega_k^2}}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \approx \pm \omega_k \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} i \frac{\epsilon}{\omega_k^2} \right)$$

But ϵ is infinitesimal small, so so $k^0 \approx \pm \left(\omega_k - \frac{1}{2} i \frac{\epsilon}{\omega_k} \right) \approx \pm (\omega_k - i\epsilon)$



$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dk^0}{(2\pi)^4} e^{ik^0(x-y)} \cdot \frac{e^{-i[k^0(x-y^0) - \vec{k}(\vec{x}-\vec{y})]}}{(k^0 + \omega_k + i\epsilon)(k^0 - \omega_k + i\epsilon)}$$

When $y^0 = 0$.

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dk^0}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{e^{-i(k^0 x^0 - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{x})}}{(k^0 + \omega_k + i\epsilon)(k^0 - \omega_k + i\epsilon)}$$

Then contour must be ~~the~~ around ~~the~~ the upper half plane, because:

$$\lim_{k^0 \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k^0 e^{ik^0 x^0}}{(k^0 + \omega_k)(k^0 - \omega_k)} = \lim_{\substack{k_x^0 \rightarrow \pm\infty \\ k_y^0 \rightarrow \pm\infty}} \frac{k^0 e^{ik_x^0 x^0 - k_y^0 x^0}}{(k^0 + \omega_k)(k^0 - \omega_k)} = 0 \quad (x^0 > 0)$$

i.e. if $k^0 = k_x^0 + i k_y^0$, $k_x^0 \rightarrow \pm\infty$, $k_y^0 \rightarrow +\infty$

on the other hand

$$\lim_{k^0 \rightarrow \infty} \frac{k^0 e^{ik^0 x^0}}{(k^0 + \omega_k)(k^0 - \omega_k)} = \lim_{\substack{k_x^0 \rightarrow \pm\infty \\ k_y^0 \rightarrow -\infty}} \frac{k^0 e^{ik_x^0 x^0 - k_y^0 x^0}}{(k^0 + \omega_k)(k^0 - \omega_k)} \rightarrow +\infty$$

Using the upper contour integration:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dk^0}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{e^{i[k^0 x^0 - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{x}]}}{(k^0 + \omega_k + i\epsilon)(k^0 - \omega_k + i\epsilon)} &= 2\pi i \cdot \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} \cdot \left((k^0 + \omega_k + i\epsilon) \frac{e^{i(k^0 x^0 - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{x})}}{(k^0 + \omega_k + i\epsilon)(k^0 - \omega_k + i\epsilon)} \right) \Big|_{k^0 = -\omega_k + i\epsilon} \\ &= \frac{2\pi i}{(2\pi)^4} \cdot \frac{e^{i(-\omega_k + i\epsilon)x^0 - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{x}}}{2(-\omega_k + i\epsilon)} = \frac{i}{(2\pi)^3} \cdot \frac{e^{-i(\omega_k x^0 + \vec{k} \cdot \vec{x}) - \epsilon x^0}}{-2\omega_k + 2i\epsilon} \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, the method fail to use " ϵ " (fail to eliminate " ϵ ").

So I try another way:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dk^0}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{e^{i(k^0 x^0 - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{x})}}{k^0 - \vec{k}^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{d[(k^0)^2]}{(2\pi)^4} \cdot \frac{d[(k^0)^2]}{2k^0} \frac{e^{i(k^0 x^0 - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{x})}}{(k^0)^2 - \vec{k}^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{d[(k^0)^2]}{2k^0} \frac{(k^0)^2}{(k^0)^2 + \epsilon^2} e^{i(k^0 x^0 - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{x})}$$

But this can't be done either. Because we can't change from $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dx$ to $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d(x^2)$

When x : space like, $x^0 = 0$ ($t=0$).

$$D(x) = -i \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2\omega_k} \underbrace{\left(e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} \frac{1}{2} + e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} \frac{1}{2} \right)}_{\cos(\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x})} = -i \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\cos(\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x})}{2\omega_k}$$

$$\omega_k = \sqrt{\vec{k}^2 + m^2}, \text{ so } D(x) = -i \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\cos(\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x})}{2\sqrt{\vec{k}^2 + m^2}}$$

I.4 From Field to Particle to Force

$$W(J) = -\frac{1}{2} \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \bar{J}_\mu(k) \frac{1}{k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} J_\mu(k)$$

$$\bar{J}_a(x) = \delta^{(3)}(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_a)$$

$$W(J) = -\frac{1}{2} \iint d^4x d^4y J(x) D(x-y) J(y)$$

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$$= -\frac{1}{2} \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \bar{J}(k) \frac{1}{k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} J(k)$$