

sign convention: $(+, -, -, -)$

1 Field Space Manifold

1.1 Basic Concepts

Consider a theory with N real scalar fields, ϕ^i for $i = 1, \dots, N$. The fields can be regarded as a coordinate chart on the field-space manifold \mathcal{M} . That is, $\phi : U \rightarrow V$ is an invertible map from an open subset $U \subset \mathcal{M}$ to an open subset $V \subset \mathbb{R}^n$. A Lagrangian is given by

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} g_{ij}(\phi) \partial_\mu \phi^i \partial^\mu \phi^j - V(\phi).$$

Under the field redefinition $\psi(\phi)$, the derivative transforms as

$$\partial_\mu \psi^i = \frac{\partial \psi^i}{\partial \phi^j} \partial_\mu \phi^j,$$

so

$$g'_{ij}(\psi) = \frac{\partial \phi^k}{\partial \psi^i} \frac{\partial \phi^l}{\partial \psi^j} g_{kl}(\phi).$$

Hence g transforms as a symmetric tensor with two lower indices, so we identify it as a metric on \mathcal{M} .

1.2 Tree-Level Amplitudes

Putting vacuum at the origin, we may expand

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \bar{g}_{ij, k_1 \dots k_n} (\partial_\mu \phi^i) (\partial^\mu \phi^j) \phi^{k_1} \dots \phi^{k_n} - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \bar{V}_{, k_1 \dots k_n} \phi^{k_1} \dots \phi^{k_n},$$

where bar denotes quantities evaluated at the origin. We can always assume that (with suitable field redefinition) $\bar{g}_{ij} = \delta_{ij}$, then we can further diagonalise $\bar{V}_{,ij}$ so that the masses of the fields are given by $V_{,ij} = m_i \delta_{ij}$.

Vierbein e_{ai} : $g_{ij} = e_{ai} e_{bj} \delta^{ab}$.

Hence, the propagator is

$$\frac{p}{i} \frac{p}{j} = \frac{i \delta_{ij}}{p^2 - m_i^2}.$$

The n -point vertex is given by

$$iV_n = -i \bar{V}_{, k_1 \dots k_n} - i \sum_{i < j} p_i^\mu p_{j\mu} \bar{g}_{k_i k_j, k_1 \dots \hat{k}_i \dots \hat{k}_j \dots k_n}.$$