

LOOPS & DIVERGENT DIAGRAMS

let's put away the formal diagrammatics for a moment & do some "nuts & bolts" calculations.

WICK ROTATION

Feynman PROPAGATOR:

$$\frac{i}{k^2 - m^2 + i\varepsilon}$$

can think of this from convergence p.o.v.

$$Z \sim \int D\phi e^{iS + i\int J\phi}$$

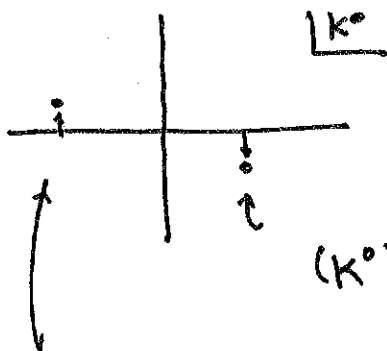
$$S = \int \frac{1}{2} (\partial\phi)^2 - \underbrace{V(\phi)}_{-\frac{1}{2}m^2\phi^2}$$

gives oscillating integral (steepest descent)

or: MAKE REPLACEMENT  $m^2 \rightarrow m^2 - i\varepsilon$

$$\text{to get } e^{i\int (i\varepsilon)\phi^2} \sim \underbrace{e^{-\int \varepsilon \phi^2}}_{\text{exp damp.}}$$

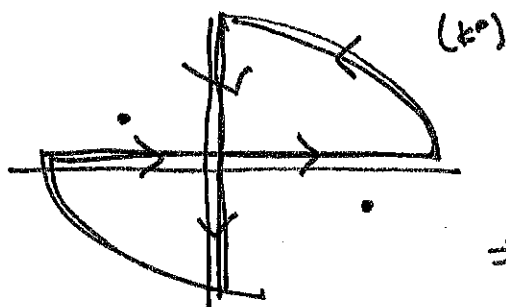
the  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  limit is a pole-pushing prescription



$$(k^0) = \underbrace{\sqrt{k^2 + m^2}}_{E_k} - i\varepsilon$$

$$k^0 = -E_k + i\varepsilon$$

POLE STRUCTURE MEANS YOU CAN ROTATE INTEGRAL OVER  $dk^0$



← integrand = 0  
 arcs = 0

$$\Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dk^0 + \int_{\infty}^{-\infty} dk^0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dk^0 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d(k^0)$$

EUCLIDEAN:  $\boxed{k_E^0}$

then:  $\frac{i}{(k^0)^2 - k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} \rightarrow \frac{-i}{(k_E^0)^2 + k^2 + m^2}$

$$d^4 k \rightarrow i d^4 k_E$$

OR DIVERGENCES come from loops ← GA LOOP = UNCONST. momentum

IR DIVERGENCES ARE A SEPARATE, EQUALLY INTERESTING STORY!

↑  
 tree level diagrams have enough vertices to impose no unconst. momenta.

Focus on scalar fields

$$\int \frac{d^4 l}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{k^2 + i\epsilon}$$

← loop momentum

$L \neq \text{LOOPS}$

$$k \sim l + \dots$$

[superficial] Degree of Divergence: <sup>estimate based on</sup> POWER COUNTING

$$D = dL - 2I \quad \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{integral is divergent} \\ \text{if } D \geq 0 \end{array}$$

Divergences are a consequence of the continuum limit

$$\hookrightarrow l \rightarrow \infty \iff \text{lattice spacing} \rightarrow 0$$

<sup>↑</sup>  
ASSUMES no new microphysics  
becomes relevant.

modern view: theory comes w/ cutoff,  $\Lambda$

$\hookrightarrow$  not nec. statement about SPACETIME, but  
usually about UV dynamics.

1<sup>st</sup> step for DIVERGENT integrals: quantify them.

give some parameterization of the divergence  
if the integral is infinite when some  
parameter goes to 0 or  $\infty$ .

$\hookrightarrow$  interpretation later.

simplest choice: strict cutoff, all momenta  $\leq \Lambda$

$\uparrow$  turns out to be dunky  
you lose translation invariance  
... & also not gauge invariant.

want a better REGULARIZATION scheme

$\uparrow$  quantify divergence

Perhaps the most practical: DIM-REG

for sufficiently  
small  $d$ ,  
SUPERF. DEG. OF  
DIV.  $\rightarrow 0$

$\rightarrow$  continuously change the dimension  
of spacetime

divergence in  $d \rightarrow 4$  limit

mathematical aside: the  $\Gamma$  function

$$\Gamma(d) = \int_0^\infty dx x^{d-1} e^{-x} \quad \leftarrow \Gamma(n) = (n-1)! \text{ for integers } n$$

$\uparrow$   
finite for  $d > 0$   
divergent for  $d \leq 0$

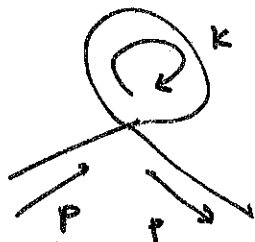
$\uparrow$   
pf:  $\Gamma = \frac{1}{d} \int dx \left( \frac{d}{dx} x^d \right) e^{-x}$   
 $\rightarrow$  int by parts

so:  $\Gamma(1) = 1$  ,  $\Gamma(d \rightarrow 0) \sim \frac{1}{d}$

we will use this as our parameterization.  
where does  $\Gamma$  show up?

consider:  $\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial\phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2}m^2 - \frac{1}{4!}\lambda\phi^4$

calculate



$\hookrightarrow$  general dimension

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

$\uparrow$   
symmetry factor

$$= \frac{\lambda}{2} \int \frac{i d^d k_E}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{-1}{k_E^2 + m^2}$$

no angular dep  
in d-DIM EUCLIDEAN SPACE

hyperspherical coords:  $d^d k_E = S_d k^{d-1} dk$

angular int  
in d dimensions

$k = |k_E|$

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &= 2 \\ S_2 &= 2\pi \\ S_3 &= 4\pi \end{aligned}$$

$$S_d = \frac{2\pi^{d/2}}{\Gamma(d/2)}$$

A: NO (4.44) FROM GAUSSIAN INT.

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\pi}{\lambda}\right)^{d/2} &= \int d^d k_E e^{-\lambda k_E^2} \\ &= S_d \int_0^\infty dk_E k_E^{d-1} e^{-\lambda k_E^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} S_d \frac{\Gamma(d/2)}{\lambda^{d/2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I} &= -\frac{i\lambda}{2} S_d \int \frac{dk}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{k^{d-1}}{k^2 + m^2} \\ &= \frac{2}{\Gamma(d/2)} \frac{\pi^{d/2}}{(2\pi)^d} = \frac{1}{(4\pi)^{d/2}} \frac{2}{\Gamma(d/2)} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{-i\lambda}{\Gamma(d/2)} \frac{1}{(4\pi)^{d/2}} \int dk \frac{k^{d-1}}{k^2 + m^2}$$

TRICK

$$\frac{1}{k^2 + m^2} = \int_0^\infty d\alpha e^{-\alpha(k^2 + m^2)} \quad \leftarrow \text{I'm going to stop writing for}$$

$$\mathcal{Q} = \frac{-i\lambda}{\Gamma(d/2)} \frac{1}{(4\pi)^{d/2}} \int_0^\infty d\alpha \int_0^\infty dk k^{d-1} e^{-\alpha(k^2 + m^2)}$$

↓  
where:  $u = k^2$

$$= \int d\alpha \int \frac{du}{2} \underbrace{k(u)^{d-2}}_{u^{d/2-1}} e^{-\alpha(u + m^2)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int d\alpha \int du u^{\frac{d}{2}-1} e^{-\alpha u} e^{-\alpha m^2}$$

↓  
 $v = \alpha u$

$$\frac{dV}{d\alpha} \alpha^{-\frac{d}{2}+1} \underbrace{v^{\frac{d}{2}-1} e^{-v}}_{\text{integrand of } \Gamma}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int d\alpha e^{-\alpha m^2} \alpha^{-\frac{d}{2}} \Gamma(d/2)$$

$$W = m^2 \alpha$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{dW}{m^2} (m^2)^{d/2} e^{-W} W^{-d/2} = (m^2)^{d/2-1} \frac{dW e^{-W} W^{(1-d/2)-1}}{dW}$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(d/2)}{2} (m^2)^{d/2-1} \Gamma(1-d/2)$$

$$\mathcal{Q} = \frac{-i\lambda}{2} \frac{1}{(4\pi)^{d/2}} (m^2)^{d/2-1} \Gamma(1-d/2)$$

$\hookrightarrow$  indep of  $p$ ... in general,  
~~①~~ may have  $p$ -dependence

Some properties :  $\Gamma$  has poles @  $0, -1, -2, \dots$

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma(z)} = z e^{\gamma z} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(1 + \frac{z}{n}\right) e^{-z/n}$$

$\gamma \approx 0.6$   
Euler-M const.

$$\Gamma(-n+\epsilon) = \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon} - \gamma + 1 + \frac{1}{2} \dots + \frac{1}{n} + O(\epsilon) \right)$$

$\uparrow$   $\uparrow$   $\underbrace{\hspace{2cm}}_{O(1)}$   $\uparrow$   
 $n=0,1,2,\dots$  pole gets to 0

fact II:  $A^\epsilon = e^{\ln a^\epsilon} = e^{\epsilon \ln a}$   
 $= 1 + \epsilon \ln a + O(\epsilon^2)$

so we have:

$$\mathcal{Q} = \frac{-i\lambda}{2} \frac{m^2}{(4\pi)^2} \left( \frac{M^2}{4\pi} \right)^{\frac{d}{2}-2} \Gamma\left(1 - \frac{d}{2}\right)$$

let  $d = 4 - \epsilon$

$$\frac{d}{2} - 2 = -\frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

$$1 - \frac{d}{2} = \frac{\epsilon}{2} - 1$$

$$= \frac{-i\lambda}{2} \frac{M^2}{(4\pi)^2} \left( 1 - \frac{\epsilon}{2} \ln \left( \frac{M^2}{4\pi} \right) + \dots \right) (-1) \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon} - \gamma + 1 + \dots \right)$$

$\uparrow$   
dimensions?


$$= \frac{+i\lambda}{2} \frac{M^2}{(4\pi)^2} \left[ \frac{1}{\epsilon} - \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{M^2}{4\pi} - \gamma + 1 + O(\epsilon) \right]$$

$\uparrow$   
want to remove this  
... and maybe other terms ...  
there is a scale  $m$  here





How to choose?

I WANT  @ 1-loop TO BE  $\frac{i}{p^2 - m^2}$   
 $\uparrow$   
 physical

WE WROTE theory w/rt  $m^2 \uparrow \delta$

↳ so want the counter term & loop correction pieces to cancel.

for this case, it's trivial: complete cancellation

$$\delta m = \frac{\lambda}{2} \frac{m^2}{16\pi^2} \left[ \frac{1}{\epsilon} + \dots \right]$$

(RENORMALIZATION CONDITION)  $\approx \approx$  but we're not doing renormaliz. yet.

SP. 32%

ANALOGOUS:  $\lambda$  AT LOOP LEVEL:

$$i \text{ (tadpole loop) } = \text{X} + \underbrace{\text{Y} + \text{Z} + \text{W}}_{(-i\lambda)(iV(s) + iV(t) + iV(u))} + \text{V} + \text{X}$$

$\uparrow$   $\uparrow$   $\uparrow$   
 $-i\lambda$   $-i\delta_\lambda$

$$\begin{aligned} s &= (p_1 + p_2)^2 \\ t &= (p_1 - k_1)^2 \\ u &= (p_1 - k_2)^2 \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Mandelstam vars} \\ \text{for } 2 \rightarrow 2 \end{array} \right\}$$

there's one last trick to evaluate these loops (FEYNMAN PARAMETERIZATION) momentum dep!  $\downarrow$

$$V(p^2) \rightarrow \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \int_0^1 dx \left( \frac{2}{\epsilon} - \gamma + \log 4\pi - \log[u^2 - x(1-x)p^2] \right)$$

HAVE TO CHOOSE REN. CONDITION

@ some scale / kinematic config.

LET VS CHOOSE (can make any num of choices)

define  $\lambda$  to be the scattering of  
2 particles in the zero 3-momentum limit

$$2, \quad s = (p_1 + p_2)^2 = 4m^2$$

$$t = (p_1 - k_1)^2 = 0 \quad \leftarrow \quad p_i = k_i = (m, 0)$$

$$u = (p_1 - k_2)^2 = 0$$

then:

$$\delta_\lambda \text{ cancels } \mathcal{I} + \mathcal{H} + \mathcal{D}' @ \begin{cases} s = 4m^2 \\ t = u = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\delta_\lambda = \frac{\lambda^2}{32\pi^2} \int_0^1 dx \left( \frac{6}{x} - \dots - \log[m^2 - x(1-x)4m^2] - 2 \log m^2 \right)$$

IN GENERAL (away from  $s=4m^2, t=u=0$ ),  
the AMPLITUDE is

$$i\mathcal{M} = -i\lambda - \frac{i\lambda^2}{32\pi^2} \int_0^1 dx \left[ \log \frac{m^2 - x(1-x)s}{m^2 - x(1-x)4m^2} \right. \\ \left. + \log \frac{m^2 - x(1-x)t}{m^2} \right. \\ \left. + \log \frac{m^2 - x(1-x)u}{m^2} \right]$$

thus amplitude dep on kinematics (not surprising)  
in a way that dep on REN. COND  $\leftarrow$  mildly surprising

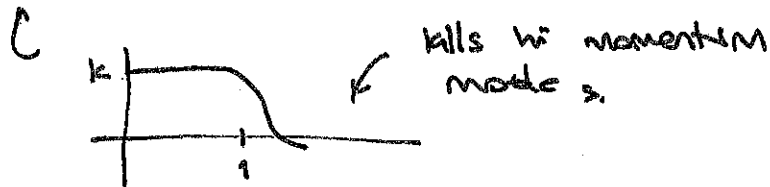
## Philosophy :

NEED to REGULATE theory : make sense in UV  
dim reg does this ... could use anything.

⇒ introduces a scale

↓  
↳ Q: Where is the scale in DIM REG?  
↓  
can imagine HAD AMOUNT AS AN EXAMPLE

$$\mathcal{L} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} K (\partial^2 / \Lambda^2) (\partial \phi)^2$$



The details of the REGULATOR shouldn't matter  
(some are naturally easier to work with)

↳ BUT SCALE IS PART OF THE DEFINITION  
OF THE THEORY.

# FIELD STR. REN (Resum 7.1) (in gen)

$$\text{---} \text{---} \text{---} = \text{---} + \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} + \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} + \dots$$

↑  
1PI loops  
(only 1PI; non 1PI accounted for by other terms in the sum)

in general,  $\text{---} \text{---} \text{---}$  depends on  $p^2$   
 $\uparrow \Sigma(p^2)$   $\uparrow$  scalar

$$= \frac{i}{p^2 - m_0^2} + \frac{i}{p^2 - m_0^2} \frac{\Sigma(p)}{p^2 - m_0^2} + \frac{i}{p^2 - m_0^2} \left( \frac{\Sigma(p)}{p^2 - m_0^2} \right)^2 + \dots$$

$$= \frac{i}{p^2 - m_0^2 - \Sigma(p^2)}$$

$$= \frac{iZ}{p^2 - m^2}$$

Field str. RENORM.  $\leftarrow$   
 pole mass  $\leftarrow$   
 (btw: this is why it's hard to define quark masses)

$$m : p^2 - m_0^2 - \Sigma(m^2) = 0$$

NEAR THE POLE:

$$\frac{i}{p^2 - m_0^2 - \Sigma(p^2)} = \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2} \frac{1}{1 - \Sigma'(m^2)}$$

↑  
 $-\Sigma(m^2) - (p^2 - m^2)\Sigma'(m^2) + \dots$

$\frac{1}{1 - \Sigma'(m^2)} \approx 1 + \Sigma'(m^2) + \dots$

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$$\boxed{\text{---} \text{---} \text{---} = \frac{iZ}{p^2 - m^2}}$$

# Sketch: LSZ REDUCTION

as if:  $\frac{1}{2}(\partial\phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2}m_0^2\phi = \frac{1}{2}\phi(-\partial^2 - m_0^2)\phi$   
 $\rightarrow \phi\left(\frac{-\partial^2 - m^2}{2\epsilon}\right)\phi$

can canonically normalize fields  
 by rescaling  $\phi \rightarrow \sqrt{Z}\phi : \phi\left(\frac{-\partial^2 - m^2}{2}\right)\phi$

$\rightarrow$  BUT now correlation functions  
 pick up powers of  $\sqrt{Z}$

LSZ: how to relate correlation functions  
 to S-matrix elements:

final result:

PS  
 (7.42)

$$\prod_{i=1}^N \int d^4x_i e^{i p_i \cdot x_i} \prod_{j=1}^M \int d^4y_j e^{-i k_j \cdot y_j}$$

$\times \langle \phi(x_1) \dots \phi(x_N) \phi(y_1) \dots \phi(y_M) \rangle$   $\leftarrow$  TIME ORDERED etc.

$$\xrightarrow[\substack{p_i^0 \rightarrow E_{p_i} \\ k_i^0 \rightarrow E_{k_i}}]{\left( \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{\sqrt{Z} i}{p_i^2 - M^2 + i\epsilon} \right) \left( \prod_{j=1}^M \frac{\sqrt{Z} i}{k_j^2 - M^2 + i\epsilon} \right) \langle p_1 \dots | S | k_1 \dots \rangle}$$

$\leftarrow$  S-MATRIX

take correlation func.

FIND POLE where ext particles  
 are on shell. PUT OUT

FIELD STR. REN.



what's left is an AMPLITUDE.

Regularization of  $\phi^4$  including  $Z$ :

↳ not relevant @ 1-loop.  
BUT SHOW HOW IT WORKS

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial\phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2}m_0^2\phi^2 - \frac{\lambda_0}{4!}\phi^4$$

CANON. NORM OF  $\phi$  FROM LSZ:  $\phi \rightarrow \sqrt{Z}\phi_R$

$$= \frac{1}{2}Z(\partial\phi_R)^2 - \frac{1}{2}m_0^2Z\phi_R^2 - \frac{\lambda_0}{4!}Z^2\phi_R^4$$

$$\equiv \frac{1}{2}(\partial\phi_R)^2 - \frac{1}{2}M^2\phi_R^2 - \frac{\lambda}{4!}\phi_R^4$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2}\delta_Z(\partial\phi_R)^2 - \frac{1}{2}\delta_M\phi_R^2 - \frac{\delta_\lambda}{4!}\phi_R^4$$

$$\delta_Z = Z - 1$$

$$M^2 = m_0^2 Z - m^2$$

$$\delta_\lambda = \lambda_0 Z^2 - \lambda$$

$Z$  is something you calculate order-by-order  
in pert. thry ~~⊗~~

so have to be consistent when writing  
counterterms to do everything to same order.