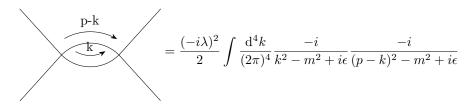
Homework: Gauge Field Theory #1

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1. ϕ^4 theory $(\mathcal{L}_I = \frac{\lambda}{4!}\phi^4)$. Verify optical theorem in the lowest order.



For simplicity, we ignore the mass term.

$$i\mathcal{M}_2 = \frac{(-i\lambda)^2}{2} \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{k^2 (p-k)^2}$$

Apply feynman parameterization

$$i\mathcal{M}_2 = \frac{(-i\lambda)^2}{2} \int_0^1 dx \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{[x(p-k)^2 + (1-x)k^2]^2}$$

 $k \to k + xp$

$$= \frac{(-i\lambda)^2}{2} \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}x \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{[k^2 + x(1-x)p^2 + i\epsilon]^2}$$

Set $\Delta \equiv -x(1-x)p^2 + i\epsilon$, and apply wick rotation

$$i\mathcal{M}_2 = \frac{i(-i\lambda)^2}{2} \int_0^1 dx \int \frac{d^4k_E}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{[k_E^2 + \Delta]^2}$$

Dimensional regularization

$$\begin{split} i\mathcal{M}_2 &= \frac{i(-i\lambda)^2}{2} \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}x \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^d k_E}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{1}{[k_E^2 + \Delta]^2} \\ &= \frac{i(-i\lambda)^2}{2} \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}x \int \frac{\mathrm{d}\Omega_d}{(2\pi)^d} \mathrm{d}k_E \frac{k_E^{d-1}}{[k_E^2 + \Delta]^2} \\ &= \frac{i(-i\lambda)^2}{2} \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}x \frac{\pi^{d/2} \Gamma(2 - d/2)}{\Gamma(2)(2\pi)^d} \Delta^{d/2 - 2} \\ &\stackrel{d \to 4}{\longrightarrow} -i\lambda^2 \frac{\frac{2}{\epsilon} - \gamma + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)}{32\pi^2} \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}x (\frac{\Delta}{4\pi})^{-\epsilon/2} \\ &= -i\lambda^2 \frac{\frac{2}{\epsilon} - \gamma + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)}{32\pi^2} \int_0^1 \mathrm{d}x (1 - \frac{\epsilon}{2} \ln \frac{\Delta}{4\pi}) \\ &= \frac{-i\lambda^2}{32\pi^2} (\frac{2}{\epsilon} - \gamma + 2 - \ln(-p^2) + \ln(4\pi) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)) \end{split}$$

where $\epsilon = 4 - d$.

So

$$i\mathcal{M}(s) = -i\lambda - \frac{-i\lambda^2}{32\pi^2} \left(\frac{2}{\epsilon} - \gamma + 2 - \ln(-s) + \ln(4\pi)\right)$$

$$\mathcal{M}(s) = -\lambda - \frac{-\lambda^2}{32\pi^2} \left(\frac{2}{\epsilon} - \gamma + 2 - \ln(-s) + \ln(4\pi)\right) = -\lambda - \frac{-\lambda^2}{32\pi^2} \left(\frac{2}{\epsilon} - \ln(-s) + finite\ terms\right)$$

where $finite\ terms = \ln(4\pi) + 2 - \gamma$.

$$\lambda_R = \lambda - \frac{\lambda^2}{32\pi^2} (\frac{2}{\epsilon} - \ln(-s_0) + finite\ terms)$$

$$\lambda = \lambda_R + \frac{\lambda_R^2}{32\pi^2} (\frac{2}{\epsilon} - \ln(-s_0) + finite\ terms)$$

$$\mathcal{M}(s) = -\lambda + \frac{\lambda^2}{32\pi^2} (\frac{2}{\epsilon} - \ln(-s) + finite \ terms)$$

$$= -\lambda_R - \frac{\lambda_R^2}{32\pi^2} (\frac{2}{\epsilon} - \ln(-s_0) + finite \ terms) + \frac{\lambda_R^2}{32\pi^2} (\frac{2}{\epsilon} - \ln(-s) + finite \ terms)$$

$$= -\lambda_R + \frac{\lambda_R^2}{32\pi^2} \ln \frac{s_0}{s}$$

As the lowest order, the results are always $-\lambda$.

2. Proca field, QED with massive photon. Calculate the leading order of $e^-e^- \rightarrow e^-e^-$.

The propagator

$$\langle 0|T\{A_{in}^{\mu}(x)A_{in}^{\nu}(y)\}|0\rangle = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^4k}{(2\pi)^4} e^{-ik\cdot(x-y)} \frac{i(-g^{\mu\nu} + \frac{k^{\mu}k^{\nu}}{\mu^2})}{k^2 - \mu^2 + i\epsilon} + \frac{i}{\mu^2} \delta^4(x-y)\delta^{\mu 0}\delta^{\nu 0}$$

The Lagarangian is

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}\mu^2 A^{\mu}A_{\mu} + \bar{\psi}(i\not\!\!D - m)\psi$$

and the interaction part

$$\mathcal{L}_I = e\bar{\psi}\gamma^\mu\psi A^\mu$$