Homework: Quantum Field Theory #8

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1. $T\{\phi(x)\phi(y)\}$. (Some definition are the same as P&S so I'll skip them. The result would be $\phi^+|0\rangle = 0$ and $\langle 0|\phi^- = 0$.)

$$\langle 0|T\{\phi(x)\phi(y)\}|0\rangle = \langle 0|T\{\phi^{+}(x)\phi^{+}(y) + \phi^{+}(x)\phi^{-}(y) + \phi^{-}(x)\phi^{+}(y) + \phi^{-}(x)\phi^{-}(y)\}|0\rangle$$

$$= \langle 0|T\{\phi^{+}(x)\phi^{+}(y) + \phi^{-}(y)\phi^{+}(x) + \phi^{-}(x)\phi^{+}(y) + \phi^{-}(x)\phi^{-}(y) + [\phi^{+}(x), \phi^{-}(y)]\}|0\rangle$$

$$= \begin{cases} [\phi^{+}(x), \phi^{-}(y)], x^{0} > y^{0} \\ [\phi^{+}(y), \phi^{-}(x)], y^{0} > x^{0} \end{cases}$$

$$\equiv \overline{\phi(x)\phi(y)} = D_{F}(x - y)$$

$$T\{\phi(x)\phi(y)\} = N \left\{ \phi(x)\phi(y) + \overline{\phi(x)\phi(y)} \right\}$$

2. $T\{\phi(x)\phi(y)\phi(z)\phi(t)\}.$

For the convenience of writing we set $\phi(x_n)$ as ϕ_n .

$$\langle 0|T\{\phi_1\phi_2\phi_3\phi_4\}|0\rangle = \langle 0|T\{(\phi_1^+\phi_2^+ + \phi_1^-\phi_2^+ + \phi_1^+\phi_2^- + \phi_1^-\phi_2^-)\phi_3\phi_4\}|0\rangle$$

we set $x^0 > y^0 > z^0 > t^0$ for now

$$= \langle 0 | (\phi_1^+ \phi_2^+ + \phi_1^+ \phi_2^-) \phi_3 \phi_4 | 0 \rangle$$

$$= \langle 0 | (\phi_1^+ \phi_2^+ + \phi_1^+ \phi_2^-) (\phi_3^+ \phi_4^+ + \phi_3^- \phi_4^+ + \phi_3^+ \phi_4^- + \phi_3^- \phi_4^-) | 0 \rangle$$

$$= \langle 0 | (\phi_1^+ \phi_2^+ + \phi_1^+ \phi_2^-) (\phi_3^+ \phi_4^- + \phi_3^- \phi_4^-) | 0 \rangle$$

$$= \langle 0 | (\phi_1^+ \phi_2^+ + [\phi_1^+, \phi_2^-]) ([\phi_3^+, \phi_4^-] + \phi_3^- \phi_4^-) | 0 \rangle$$

$$= \langle 0 | (\phi_1^+ \phi_2^+ + [\phi_1^+, \phi_2^-]) ([\phi_3^+, \phi_4^-] + [\phi_1^+, \phi_2^-] \phi_3^- \phi_4^-) | 0 \rangle + [\phi_1^+, \phi_2^-] [\phi_3^+, \phi_4^-]$$

$$= \langle 0 | (\phi_1^+ \phi_2^+ + [\phi_3^+, \phi_4^-] + [\phi_1^+, \phi_2^-]] (\phi_3^+, \phi_4^-) | 0 \rangle + [\phi_1^+, \phi_2^-] (\phi_3^+, \phi_4^-) | 0 \rangle$$

$$= \langle 0 | (\phi_1^+, \phi_4^-) ([\phi_2^+, \phi_3^-] + \phi_3^- \phi_2^+) \phi_4^- | 0 \rangle + [\phi_1^+, \phi_2^-] ([\phi_3^+, \phi_4^-] + [\phi_1^+, \phi_3^-]) ([\phi_3^+, \phi_4^-]) | 0 \rangle + [\phi_1^+, \phi_3^-] ([\phi_3^+, \phi_4^-]) | 0 \rangle$$

$$= \langle 0 | (\phi_1^+, \phi_4^-) ([\phi_2^+, \phi_3^-] + [\phi_3^-, \phi_1^+] ([\phi_2^+, \phi_3^-] + \phi_1^+, \phi_3^-] ([\phi_3^+, \phi_4^-]) | 0 \rangle + [\phi_1^+, \phi_2^-] ([\phi_3^+, \phi_4^-]) | 0 \rangle$$

Same for other time order, so

$$\langle 0|T\{\phi_{1}\phi_{2}\phi_{3}\phi_{4}\}|0\rangle = \overrightarrow{\phi_{1}\phi_{2}\phi_{3}\phi_{4}} + \overrightarrow{\phi_{1}\phi_{3}\phi_{2}\phi_{4}} + \overrightarrow{\phi_{1}\phi_{4}\phi_{2}\phi_{3}}$$

$$T\{\phi_{1}\phi_{2}\phi_{3}\phi_{4}\} = N\Big\{\phi_{1}\phi_{2}\phi_{3}\phi_{4} + \phi_{1}\phi_{2}\phi_{3}\phi_{4} + \phi_{1}\phi_{2}\phi_{3}\phi_{$$

For more strict prove:

for
$$x^0 > y^0 > z^0 > t^0$$

$$\begin{split} T\{\phi_1\phi_2\phi_3\phi_4\} &= (\phi_1^+\phi_2^+ + \phi_1^-\phi_2^+ + \phi_1^+\phi_2^- + \phi_1^-\phi_2^-)\phi_3\phi_4 \\ &= N\{\phi_1\phi_2\}\phi_3\phi_4 + \phi_1\phi_2\phi_3\phi_4 \\ &= N\{\phi_1\phi_2\}(\phi_3^+\phi_4^+ + \phi_3^-\phi_4^+ + \phi_3^+\phi_4^- + \phi_3^-\phi_4^-) + \phi_1\phi_2N\{\phi_3\phi_4\} + \phi_1\phi_2\phi_3\phi_4 \\ &= N\{\phi_1\phi_2\}N\{\phi_3\phi_4\} + N\{\phi_1\phi_2\}\phi_3\phi_4 + \phi_1\phi_2N\{\phi_3\phi_4\} + \phi_1\phi_2\phi_3\phi_4 \end{split}$$

now we look at the first term

$$=N\{\phi_{1}\phi_{2}\phi_{3}\phi_{4}\}+\phi_{1}^{+}\phi_{2}\phi_{3}\phi_{4}^{+}+\phi_{1}\phi_{2}^{+}\phi_{3}\phi_{4}^{+}+\phi_{1}^{+}\phi_{2}\phi_{4}\phi_{3}^{+}+\phi_{1}\phi_{2}^{+}\phi_{4}\phi_{3}^{+}+\phi_{1}^{+}\phi_{2}\phi_{3}\phi_{4}^{-}+\phi_{1}\phi_{2}^{+}\phi_{3}\phi_{4}^{-}\\+\phi_{3}^{-}\phi_{1}^{+}\phi_{2}\phi_{4}+\phi_{3}^{-}\phi_{1}\phi_{2}^{+}\phi_{4}+\phi_{1}^{-}\phi_{2}\phi_{3}\phi_{4}^{+}+\phi_{1}^{-}\phi_{2}\phi_{3}^{+}\phi_{4}+\phi_{1}^{-}\phi_{2}\phi_{3}\phi_{4}^{-}+\phi_{1}^{-}\phi_{2}\phi_{3}^{-}\phi_{4}+\phi_{1}\phi_{2}^{-}\phi_{3}\phi_{4}^{+}+\phi_{1}\phi_{2}^{-}\phi_{3}^{+}\phi_{4}\\+\phi_{2}^{-}\phi_{1}\phi_{3}\phi_{4}^{-}+\phi_{2}^{-}\phi_{1}\phi_{3}^{-}\phi_{4}\\=N\{\phi_{1}\phi_{2}\phi_{3}\phi_{4}\}+N\{\phi_{1}\phi_{4}\}\phi_{2}\phi_{3}+\phi_{1}\phi_{2}\phi_{3}\phi_{4}+N\{\phi_{2}\phi_{3}\}\phi_{1}\phi_{1}+N\{\phi_{2}\phi_{3}\}\phi_{1}+$$

and similar for the rest time orderings.

Or:

$$\begin{split} T\{\phi_1\phi_2\phi_3\phi_4\} &= (\phi_1^+\phi_2^+ + \phi_1^-\phi_2^+ + \phi_1^+\phi_2^- + \phi_1^-\phi_2^-)(\phi_3^+\phi_4^+ + \phi_3^-\phi_4^+ + \phi_3^+\phi_4^- + \phi_3^-\phi_4^-) \\ &= (1^+2^+3^+4^+ + 1^+2^+3^-4^+ + 1^+2^+3^+4^- + 1^+2^+3^-4^-) + (1^-2^+3^+4^+ + 1^-2^+3^-4^+ + 1^-2^+3^+4^- + 1^-2^+3^-4^-) \\ &+ (1^+2^-3^+4^+ + 1^+2^-3^-4^+ + 1^+2^-3^+4^- + 1^+2^-3^-4^-) + (1^-2^-3^+4^+ + 1^-2^-3^-4^+ + 1^-2^-3^+4^- + 1^-2^-3^-4^-) \\ &= N\{1234\} + (1^+234^+ + 12^+34^+) + (1^+234^+ + 12^+34^+) + (1^+234^- + 12^+34^- + 3^-21^+4^+ + 13^-2^+4) \\ &+ (1^-234^+) + (1^-2^+34^+ + 1^-23^+4) + (1^-234^- + 1^-23^-4) + (1^-2^-34) + (1^-2^-34) \\ &= N\{1234\} + (1^+234^+ + 1^+234^- + 1^-234^+) + (12^-34^- + 12^-34) + (1^-2^-34) \\ &= N\{1234\} + (1^+234^+ + 1^+234^- + 1^-234^+) + (1^+23^+4 + 1^-2^-34) + (1^-2^-34) \\ &+ (1^-2^+34^+ + 1^-2^+34^+ + 1^-2^-34^+) + (1^+2^-34^+ + 1^-2^-34^+) + (1^-2^-34^+) \\ &+ (1^+2^+34^+ + 1^-2^+34^+ + 1^-2^-34^+) + (1^+2^-34^+ + 1^-2^-34^+) + (1^-2^-34^+) \\ &= N\{\phi_1\phi_2\phi_3\phi_4\} + N\{\phi_1\phi_4\}\phi_2\phi_3 + \phi_1\phi_2\phi_3\phi_4 + N\{\phi_2\phi_4\}\phi_1\phi_3 + \phi_1\phi_2\phi_3\phi_4 + N\{\phi_1\phi_3\}\phi_2\phi_4 + N\{\phi_2\phi_3\}\phi_1\phi_4 \\ &+ N\{\phi_1\phi_2\}\phi_3\phi_4 + \phi_1\phi_2N\{\phi_3\phi_4\} + \phi_1\phi_2\phi_3\phi_4 + N\{\phi_2\phi_4\}\phi_1\phi_3 + \phi_1\phi_2\phi_3\phi_4 + N\{\phi_1\phi_3\}\phi_2\phi_4 + N\{\phi_2\phi_3\}\phi_1\phi_4 \\ &+ N\{\phi_1\phi_2\}\phi_3\phi_4 + \phi_1\phi_2N\{\phi_3\phi_4\} + \phi_1\phi_2\phi_3\phi_4 + N\{\phi_2\phi_4\}\phi_1\phi_3 + \phi_1\phi_2\phi_3\phi_4 + N\{\phi_1\phi_3\}\phi_2\phi_4 + N\{\phi_2\phi_3\}\phi_1\phi_4 \\ &+ N\{\phi_1\phi_2\}\phi_3\phi_4 + \phi_1\phi_2N\{\phi_3\phi_4\} + \phi_1\phi_2\phi_3\phi_4 + N\{\phi_2\phi_3\}\phi_4 + N\{\phi_1\phi_2\}\phi_3\phi_4 + N\{\phi_1\phi_2\}\phi_3\phi_4 + N\{\phi_1\phi_2\}\phi_3\phi_4 + N\{\phi_1\phi_2\}\phi_3\phi_4 + N\{\phi_2\phi_3\}\phi_4 + N\{\phi_2\phi_3\}\phi_$$

3. $T\{\psi(x)\bar{\psi}(y)\}.$

Set

$$\psi^{+}(x) = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^{3}p}{(2\pi)^{3}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2E_{\mathbf{p}}}} \sum_{s} u^{s}(p) a_{\mathbf{p}}^{s} e^{-ip \cdot x}$$

$$\psi^{-}(x) = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^{3}p}{(2\pi)^{3}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2E_{\mathbf{p}}}} \sum_{s} v^{s}(p) b_{\mathbf{p}}^{s\dagger} e^{ip \cdot x}$$

$$\bar{\psi}^{+}(x) = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^{3}p}{(2\pi)^{3}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2E_{\mathbf{p}}}} \sum_{s} \bar{v}^{s}(p) b_{\mathbf{p}}^{s} e^{-ip \cdot x}$$

$$\bar{\psi}^{-}(x) = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^{3}p}{(2\pi)^{3}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2E_{\mathbf{p}}}} \sum_{s} \bar{u}^{s}(p) a_{\mathbf{p}}^{s\dagger} e^{ip \cdot x}$$

and

$$\psi^{+}(x) |0\rangle = \bar{\psi}^{+}(x) |0\rangle = 0$$
$$\langle 0| \psi^{-}(x) = \langle 0| \bar{\psi}^{-}(x) = 0$$

Assuming $x^0 > y^0$ (we ignore the variables since we can distinguish them by the conjugation)

$$T\{\psi(x)\bar{\psi}(y)\} = \psi^{+}\bar{\psi}^{+} + \psi^{+}\bar{\psi}^{-} + \psi^{-}\bar{\psi}^{+} + \psi^{-}\bar{\psi}^{-} = N\{\psi\bar{\psi}\} + \left[\{\psi^{+},\bar{\psi}^{-}\} \equiv \overrightarrow{\psi\psi} = S_{F}(x-y)\right]$$

and for $x^0 < y^0$

$$T\{\psi(x)\bar{\psi}(y)\} = -(\bar{\psi}^+\psi^+ + \bar{\psi}^+\psi^- + \bar{\psi}^-\psi^+ + \bar{\psi}^-\psi^-) = N\{\psi\bar{\psi}\} + \left[-\{\bar{\psi}^+,\psi^-\} \equiv \bar{\psi}\bar{\psi}\right]$$

so

$$T\{\psi(x)\bar{\psi}(y)\} = N\{\psi\bar{\psi}\} + \psi\bar{\psi}$$

4. $T\{A_{\mu}(x)A_{\nu}(y)\}.$

Same as above, define

$$A_{\mu}^{+}(x) = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^{3}p}{(2\pi)^{3}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2|\mathbf{k}|}} \sum_{\lambda} a_{\mathbf{k}}^{\lambda} \epsilon_{\mu}^{\lambda}(k) e^{-ik \cdot x}$$

$$A_{\mu}^{-}(x) = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^{3} p}{(2\pi)^{3}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2|\mathbf{k}|}} \sum_{\lambda} a_{\mathbf{k}}^{\lambda^{\dagger}} \epsilon_{\mu}^{\lambda^{*}}(k) e^{ik \cdot x}$$

As spin-1 field $(x^0 > y^0)$

$$T\{A_{\mu}(x)A_{\nu}(y)\} = A_{\mu}^{+}A_{\nu}^{+} + A_{\mu}^{+}A_{\nu}^{-} + A_{\mu}^{-}A_{\nu}^{+} + A_{\mu}^{-}A_{\nu}^{-} = N\{A_{\mu}(x)A_{\nu}(y)\} + A_{\mu}(x)A_{\nu}(y)\}$$

where

$$\overline{A_{\mu}(x)} \overline{A_{\nu}}(y) \equiv \begin{cases} [A_{\mu}^{+}, A_{\nu}^{-}], x^{0} > y^{0} \\ [A_{\nu}^{+}, A_{\mu}^{-}], y^{0} > x^{0} \end{cases}$$

5. Repeat $S = Te^{\cdots} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty}$.

First in interaction picture, the S matrix

$$S_{fi} = \langle f | \psi(\infty) \rangle = \langle f | U(\infty, -\infty) | i \rangle = \langle f | S_I | i \rangle$$

and the Schrödinger equation in interaction picture

$$i\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}U(t_f,t_i) = H_I(t_f)U(t_f,t_i)$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi(t)\rangle_{I} &= |i\rangle + (-i) \int_{-\infty}^{t} dt_{1} H_{I}(t_{1}) |\psi(t_{1})\rangle_{I} \\ &= |i\rangle + (-i) \int_{-\infty}^{t} dt_{1} H_{I}(t_{1}) (|i\rangle + (-i) \int_{-\infty}^{t_{1}} dt_{2} H_{I}(t_{2}) |\psi(t_{2})\rangle_{I}) \end{aligned}$$

and such on and on till

$$S = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-i)^n \int_{-\infty}^t dt_1 \int_{-\infty}^{t_1} dt_2 \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{t_{n-1}} dt_n H_I(t_1) H_I(t_2) \cdots H_I(t_n)$$

Now a little tweak on the integral variables:

$$\int_{t_0}^{t} dt_1 \int_{t_0}^{t_1} dt_2 H_I(t_1) H_I(t_2), \quad t_1 > t_2$$

$$= \int_{t_0}^{t} dt_2 \int_{t_0}^{t_2} dt_1 H_I(t_2) H_I(t_1), \quad t_2 > t_1$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_{t_0}^{t} dt_1 \int_{t_0}^{t} dt_2 T\{H_I(t_1) H_I(t_2)\}$$

so

$$S = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-i)^n}{2^n} \int_{-\infty}^t dt_1 \int_{-\infty}^t dt_2 \cdots \int_{-\infty}^t dt_n T\{H_I(t_1)H_I(t_2)\cdots H_I(t_n)\}|_{t=\infty}$$

$$= Te^{-i\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt H_I(t)}$$

$$= Te^{i\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d^4x \mathcal{L}_I(x)}$$

- **6.** $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{KG} \frac{g}{3!}\phi^3$.
 - (i) Write down the T matrix of $\langle p|S|p\rangle$ to g^2 order and draw corresponding Feynman diagram.

The T matrix is

$$\langle p|iT|p\rangle = \langle p|T\{\frac{1}{2!}(\frac{-ig}{3!})^2\int\mathrm{d}^4x\phi\phi\phi\int\mathrm{d}^4y\phi\phi\phi\}|p\rangle$$

so with a few contractions

$$\langle p|iT|p\rangle = (-ig)^2 \langle p|\int d^4x \phi\phi\phi \int d^4y \phi\phi\phi |p\rangle \times (\text{Symmetry factor})$$

where (Symmetry factor) = 2.

The corresponding feynman diagram



(ii) Write down some things for $\langle p_1 p_2 | S | p_A p_B \rangle$. Calculate $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}$ and σ_{tot} .

The T matrix is

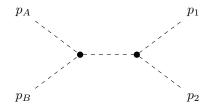
$$\langle p_1 p_2 | iT | p_A p_B \rangle = \langle p_1 p_2 | T \{ \frac{1}{2!} (\frac{-ig}{3!})^2 \int d^4 x \phi \phi \phi \int d^4 y \phi \phi \phi \} | p_A p_B \rangle$$

so with a few contractions

$$\langle p_1 p_2 | iT | p_A p_B \rangle = (-ig)^2 \langle p_1 p_2 | \int d^4 x \phi \phi \phi \int d^4 y \phi \phi \phi | p_A p_B \rangle \times (Symmetry factor)$$

where (Symmetry factor) = 1 (stands for all tree level process).

The corresponding feynman diagram



The cross section:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma}{\mathrm{d}\Omega}|_{CM} = \frac{|\mathcal{M}|^2}{64\pi^2 E_{CM}^2}$$

and

$$\langle p_1 p_2 | iT | p_A p_B \rangle = (-ig)^2 \int d^4 x \int d^4 y \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} e^{ip_1 \cdot x} e^{ip_2 \cdot x} e^{-ip_A \cdot y} e^{-ip_B \cdot y} \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2} e^{-ip \cdot (x-y)}$$

$$= (-ig)^2 \int d^4 p (2\pi)^4 \delta^4 (p_1 + p_2 - p) \delta^4 (p - p_A - p_B) \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2}$$

$$= (-ig)^2 (2\pi)^4 \delta^4 (p_1 + p_2 - p_A - p_B) \frac{i}{(p_1 + p_2)^2 - m^2}$$

so (of course you can always write it down directly from the feynman diagram)

$$i\mathcal{M} = -g^2 \frac{i}{(p_1 + p_2)^2 - m^2} = i \frac{-g^2}{(p_1 + p_2)^2 - m^2}$$

Thus we have

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma}{\mathrm{d}\Omega}|_{CM} = \frac{g^4}{64\pi^2 E_{CM}^2[(p_1+p_2)^2-m^2]^2} \frac{1}{2} = \frac{g^4}{2m^4} \frac{1}{64\pi^2 E_{CM}^2}$$

and the total cross section

$$\sigma|_{CM} = \frac{g^4}{2m^4} \frac{1}{16\pi E_{CM}^2}$$

There's also t-channel diagram:

$$\langle p_1 p_2 | iT | p_A p_B \rangle = (-ig)^2 \langle p_1 p_2 | \int d^4 x \phi \phi \phi \int d^4 y \phi \phi \phi | p_A p_B \rangle$$

and the feynman diagram for t-channel



and u-channel and they should be the same for the two identical out-state particles.

The scattering matrix and cross section should differ with only s, t and u.

$$i\mathcal{M}_t = i\frac{-g^2}{t - m^2}$$

and

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_t}{\mathrm{d}\Omega}|_{CM} = \frac{g^4}{64\pi^2 E_{CM}^2 [t-m^2]^2} \frac{1}{2}$$
$$\sigma|_{CM} = \frac{1}{m^4 - 4k^2 p^2} \frac{1}{16\pi E_{CM}^2}$$

where p and k are the momentum values of p_A and p_1 .