

Then we can look at  $O(\lambda^2)$  terms in  $\langle f | S - 1 | i \rangle$

we have

$$\frac{(-i\lambda)^2}{2} \int d^4x_1 d^4x_2 T [\bar{\psi}(x_1) \psi(x_1) \phi(x_1) \bar{\psi}(x_2) \psi(x_2) \phi(x_2)]$$

- all fields in the int<sup>4</sup> picture. The contribution to scattering comes from the contraction

$$: \bar{\psi}(x_1) \psi(x_1) \cancel{\bar{\psi}(x_2) \psi(x_2)} : \overbrace{\phi(x_2) \phi(x_1)}$$

\swarrow \searrow \begin{matrix} \text{annihilate the initial state} \\ \text{creates the final state} \end{matrix}

## Nuclear Scattering

Put in  $|i\rangle$  and we have (ignoring c ops as they don't contribute)

$$: \bar{\psi}(x_1) \psi(x_1) \bar{\psi}(x_2) \psi(x_2) : b_p^{s1} b_z^{s1} |0\rangle$$

$$= - \int \frac{d^3k_1}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{d^3k_2}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{E_p E_z}} (\bar{\psi}(x_1) u_{k_1}^m) (\bar{\psi}(x_2) u_{k_2}^n) e^{-ik_1 \cdot x_1 - ik_2 \cdot x_2} b_{k_1}^m b_{k_2}^n b_p^{s1} b_z^{r1} |0\rangle$$

$$= - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{E_p E_z}} \left\{ [\bar{\psi}(x_1) u_z^r] [\bar{\psi}(x_2) \cdot u_p^s] e^{-iz \cdot x_1 - ip \cdot x_2} - [\bar{\psi}(x_1) u_p^s] [\bar{\psi}(x_2) u_z^r] e^{-ip \cdot x_1 - iz \cdot x_2} \right\}$$

↑ crucial. Let's see what happens when we apply  $\langle f |$

$$\langle 0 | b_{z'}^{r1} b_{p'}^{s1} [\bar{\psi}(x_1) u_z^r] [\bar{\psi}(x_2) \cdot u_p^s]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{E_{p'} E_{z'}}} \left\{ [u_{p'}^{s1} \cdot u_z^r] [u_z^{r1} \cdot u_p^s] e^{ip' \cdot x_1 + iz' \cdot x_2} \right.$$

$$\left. - [u_z^{r1} \cdot u_z^r] [u_{p'}^{s1} \cdot u_p^s] e^{ip' \cdot x_2 + iz' \cdot x_1} \right\}$$

Then  $[\bar{\psi}(x_1) \cdot u_p^s] [\bar{\psi}(x_2) \cdot u_z^r]$  term double up with this, cancelling the  $1/2$  from  $\frac{(-i\lambda)^2}{2}$

Putting everything together, we have  $\langle f | S - 1 | i \rangle$

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{E}}$  cancel due to relativistic normalisation

$$(-i\lambda)^2 \int \frac{d^4 x_1 d^4 x_2}{(2\pi)^8} \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{i e^{ik(x_1 - x_2)}}{k^2 - \mu^2 + i\epsilon} \left\{ [\bar{u}_{p'}^{s'} \cdot u_p^s] [\bar{u}_{\xi'}^{r'} \cdot u_{\xi}^r] \right.$$

$$\times e^{ix_1(p' - \xi) + ix_2(p' - p)} - [\bar{u}_{p'}^{s'} \cdot u_{\xi}^r] [\bar{u}_{\xi'}^{r'} \cdot u_p^s] e^{ix_1(p' - \xi) + ix_2(\xi' - p)} \left. \right\}$$

$$= i(-i\lambda)^2 \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{k^2 - \mu^2 + i\epsilon} \left\{ [\bar{u}_{p'}^{s'} u_p^s] [\bar{u}_{\xi'}^{r'} u_{\xi}^r] \delta^4(\xi' - \xi + k) \delta^4(p' - p + k) \right.$$

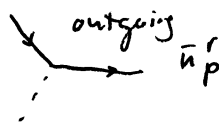
$$\left. - [\bar{u}_{p'}^{s'} u_{\xi}^r] [\bar{u}_{\xi'}^{r'} u_p^s] \delta^4(p' - \xi + k) \delta^4(\xi' - p + k) \right\}$$

$$\langle f | S - 1 | i \rangle = i \mathcal{A} (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p + \xi - \xi' - p')$$

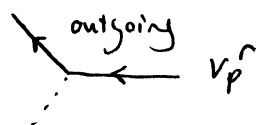
$$\mathcal{A} = (-i\lambda)^2 \left\{ \frac{[\bar{u}_{p'}^{s'} u_p^s] [\bar{u}_{\xi'}^{r'} u_{\xi}^r]}{(p' - p)^2 - \mu^2 + i\epsilon} - \frac{[\bar{u}_{p'}^{s'} u_{\xi}^r] [\bar{u}_{\xi'}^{r'} u_p^s]}{(\xi' - p)^2 - \mu^2 + i\epsilon} \right\}$$

### Feynman rules for fermions

- Incoming/outgoing fermion



- Antifermions



- Each vertex gets a factor  $(-i\lambda)$
- Internal lines get a factor

$$\text{scalar} \quad \frac{1}{p^2 - \mu^2 + i\epsilon}$$

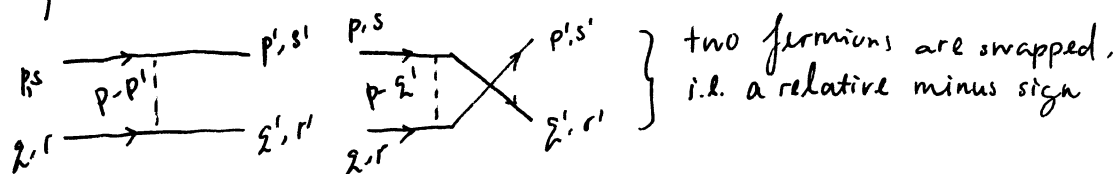
$$\text{fermion} \quad \frac{i(\not{p} + m)}{p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}$$

The arrows on fermion lines must flow consistently, ensuring fermion number conservation.

N.B. The fermion propagator is a  $4 \times 4$  matrix, indices are contracted at each vertex, either with propagators or external spinors ( $\bar{u}, u, \bar{\psi}, \psi$ )

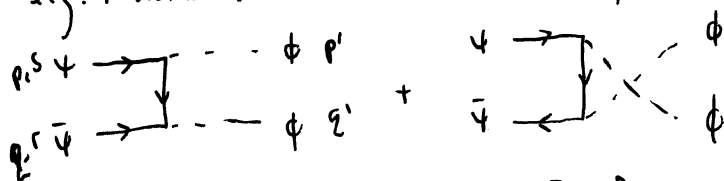
- Impose energy-mom conservation at each vertex
- $\int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4}$  over ~~und~~ undetermined loop momenta
- Add extra minus sign for a loop of fermion

e.g. Nuclear Scattering



$$A = (-i\lambda)^2 \left\{ \frac{[\bar{u}_{p'}^{s'} u_p^s][\bar{u}_{q'}^{r'} u_q^r]}{(p-p')^2 - \mu^2 + i\epsilon} - \frac{[\bar{u}_{p'}^{s'} u_q^r][\bar{u}_{q'}^{r'} u_p^s]}{(p-q')^2 - \mu^2 + i\epsilon} \right\}$$

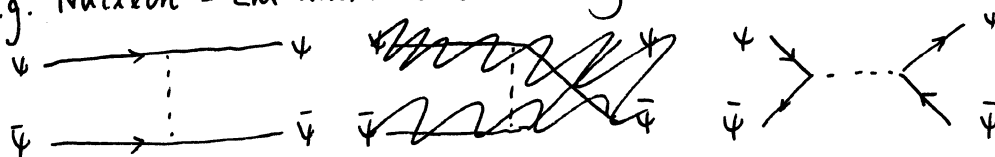
e.g. Nucleons to mesons  $\psi \bar{\psi} \rightarrow \phi \phi$



$$A = (-i\lambda)^2 \left\{ \frac{\bar{v}_q^r [\gamma^\mu (p_\mu - p'_\mu) + m] u_p^s}{(p-p')^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} + \frac{\bar{v}_q^r [\gamma^\mu (p_\mu - q'_\mu) + m] u_p^s}{(p-q')^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} \right\}$$

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e.g. Nucleon - antinucleon scattering  $\psi \bar{\psi} \rightarrow \psi \bar{\psi}$



$$A = (-i\lambda)^2 \left\{ \frac{[\bar{u}_{p'}^{s'} u_p^s][\bar{v}_{q'}^{r'} v_{q'}^{r'}]}{(p-p')^2 - \mu^2 + i\epsilon} + \frac{[\bar{v}_{q'}^{r'} u_p^s][\bar{u}_{p'}^{s'} v_{q'}^{r'}]}{(p+q')^2 - \mu^2 + i\epsilon} \right\}$$

$$|i\rangle \propto \frac{b_p^{s\dagger} c_2^{r\dagger}}{\cancel{a_1 a_2 a_3 a_4}} |0\rangle$$

ordering is crucial

$$|f\rangle \propto b_{p'}^{s'\dagger} c_2^{r'\dagger} |0\rangle$$

Examine the operators

$$\psi \sim \cancel{b_1 + c} \quad b + c^\dagger$$

$$\bar{\psi} \sim \cancel{b^\dagger + c} \quad b^\dagger + c$$

$$\langle f | : \bar{\psi} \psi \bar{\psi} \psi : b_p^{s\dagger} b_2^{r\dagger} | 0 \rangle$$

$$\sim \langle f | [\bar{v}_{k_1}^m \psi] [\bar{\psi} u_{k_2}^n] b_{k_1}^m b_{k_2}^n b_p^{s\dagger} b_2^{r\dagger} | 0 \rangle$$

$$\sim + \langle f | [\bar{v}_2^m \psi] [\bar{\psi} u_p^s] | 0 \rangle$$

$$\sim \langle 0 | c_2^{r'} b_p^{s'} c_1^{m\dagger} b_2^{n\dagger} [\bar{v}_2^r \cdot v_1^m] [\bar{u}_1^m u_p^s] | 0 \rangle$$

$$\sim - [\bar{v}_2^r \cdot v_2^{r'}] [\bar{u}_p^{s'} u_p^s]$$

Follow similar contraction for the other diagram.

# Quantum Electrodynamics

Will start as before, quantising the EM field

## Maxwell eq<sup>n</sup>

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}, \quad F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{s.o.m.} \quad \partial_\mu \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_\mu A_\nu)} \right) = 0 \quad \partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

## Bianchi Identity

$$\partial_\lambda F_{\mu\nu} + \partial_\mu F_{\nu\lambda} + \partial_\nu F_{\lambda\mu} = 0 \quad (\text{from antisym})$$

We must be very careful about the definition of 3-vectors  
 $\underline{E}$  and  $\underline{B}$  were defined with no minus from  $\eta^{\mu\nu}$

$$\text{We have } \underline{E} = -\underline{\nabla}\phi - \dot{\underline{A}}, \quad \underline{B} = \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}$$

$$\underline{\nabla} = \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x^3} \right) = \partial_i$$

$$A^\mu = (\phi, \underline{A}) \quad \text{i.e. } A = (A^1, A^2, A^3) \text{ in vector language}$$

$$\text{Finally } \underline{E} = (F_{01}, F_{02}, F_{03}) = (-F^{01}, -F^{02}, F^{03})$$

$$\text{Look at } F_{0i}, \text{ get } \underline{E} = -\underline{\nabla}\phi - \dot{\underline{A}}$$

$$\text{For magnetic field, } \underline{B} = \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{A}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_z = \partial_1 A^2 - \partial_2 A^1 = -\partial_1 A_2 + \partial_2 A_1 = -F_{12}$$

$$F_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & E_x & E_y & E_z \\ -E_x & 0 & -B_z & B_y \\ -E_y & B_z & 0 & -B_x \\ -E_z & -B_y & B_x & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Our Bianchi identity reads

$$(1=3, \mu=1, \nu=2)$$

$$\dot{\underline{B}} = -\underline{\nabla} \times \underline{E}$$

$$\text{s.o.m. gives } \underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{E} = 0$$

$$\dot{\underline{E}} = \underline{\nabla} \times \underline{B}$$

The massless vector field has 4 d.o.f. but the photon ( $\gamma$ ) only has two polarisation states.