

PHY 611 - Homework 1

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SREDNICKI 27.1

Given

$$\frac{d\alpha}{d\ln\mu} = b_1\alpha^2 \qquad \frac{dm}{d\ln\mu} = c_1m\alpha$$

we see that

$$d\ln\mu = \frac{d\alpha}{b_1\alpha^2} = \frac{dm}{c_1m\alpha}$$

and so

$$\int \frac{d\alpha}{b_1\alpha} = \int \frac{dm}{c_1m} \implies \ln m = \frac{c_1}{b_1} \ln \alpha + d$$

where d is an integration constant. Then, we can write

$$\ln m(\mu_2) - \ln m(\mu_1) = \frac{c_1}{b_1} \ln \alpha(\mu_2) - \frac{c_1}{b_1} \ln \alpha(\mu_1) \implies \ln \left(\frac{m(\mu_2)}{m(\mu_1)} \right) = \ln \left[\left(\frac{\alpha(\mu_2)}{\alpha(\mu_1)} \right)^{\frac{c_1}{b_1}} \right] \implies m(\mu_2) = \left(\frac{\alpha(\mu_2)}{\alpha(\mu_1)} \right)^{\frac{c_1}{b_1}} m(\mu_1)$$

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First we need to compute the required one-loop diagrams. Some useful identities are

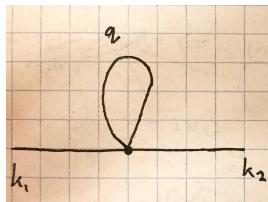
$$\int \frac{d^d p}{(p^2 + 2pq - m^2)^\alpha} = \frac{i\pi^{d/2} \Gamma(\alpha - d/2)}{\Gamma(\alpha) (-q^2 - m^2)^{\alpha - d/2}}$$

$$\Gamma(-n + x) = \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} \left[\frac{1}{x} - \gamma + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{k} + \dots \right]$$

$$\frac{1}{AB} = \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{[xA + (1-x)B]^2}$$

$$A^{\epsilon/2} = 1 + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \ln A + \dots$$

The first diagram is



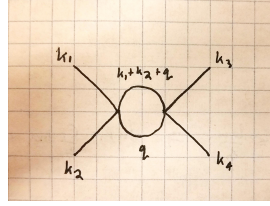
Calculating the integral:

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{d^d q}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{-i\lambda\mu^\epsilon}{q^2 + m^2} &= -\frac{\lambda\mu^\epsilon}{(2\pi)^{4-\epsilon}} \frac{i\pi^{d/2}\Gamma(-1+\epsilon/2)}{(m^2)^{\epsilon/2-1}} = \frac{-\lambda m^2}{16\pi^2} \left(\frac{2}{\epsilon} - \gamma\right) \left(\frac{4\pi\mu^2}{m^2}\right)^{\epsilon/2} \\ &= \frac{-\lambda m^2}{16\pi^2} \left(\frac{2}{\epsilon} + \ln\left(\frac{4\pi\mu^2}{m^2}\right) + \dots\right) \end{aligned}$$

where \dots indicates terms that are finite as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$. Following the conventions of Srednicki Ch.14, this calculation indicates that

$$Z_\phi = 1 + O(\lambda^2) \qquad Z_m = 1 + \frac{\lambda}{16\pi^2\epsilon} + O(\lambda^2)$$

The next diagram to calculate is



This diagram gives

$$3 \int \frac{d^d q}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{(-i\lambda)^2 \mu^\epsilon}{[(\ell^2 + q^2)^2 + m^2][q^2 + m^2]}$$

where $\ell = k_1 + k_2$. Combining the denominators we find

$$-3\lambda^2 \mu^\epsilon \int \frac{d^d q}{(2\pi)^2} \int_0^1 dx \left[x\ell^2 + 2x\ell q + q^2 + m^2 \right]^{-2} = -3\lambda^2 \mu^\epsilon \int_0^1 dx \int \frac{d^d q}{(2\pi)^d} \left[(q+x\ell)^2 + x(1-x)\ell^2 + m^2 \right]$$

Defining $p = q + x\ell$ and $D = x(1-x)\ell^2 + m^2$ we can now evaluate the integral over p :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{-3\lambda^2}{(2\pi)^2} \int_0^1 dx \frac{i\mu^\epsilon \pi^{d/2} \Gamma(2-d/2)}{\Gamma(2) D^{2-d/2}} &= \frac{-3i\lambda^2}{16\pi^2} \left(\frac{2}{\epsilon} - \gamma\right) \int_0^1 dx \left(\frac{4\pi\mu^2}{D}\right)^{\epsilon/2} \\ &= \frac{-3i\lambda^2}{16\pi^2} \left(\frac{2}{\epsilon} + \int_0^1 dx \ln\left(\frac{4\pi\mu^2}{D}\right) + \dots\right) \end{aligned}$$

So we see that

$$Z_\lambda = 1 + \frac{3\lambda}{16\pi^2}$$

Now we define

$$Z_\phi = 1 + \sum_n \frac{a_n}{\epsilon^n} \qquad Z_m = 1 + \sum_n \frac{b_n}{\epsilon^n} \qquad Z_\lambda = \sum_n \frac{c_n}{\epsilon^n}$$

Comparing the renormalized Lagrangian to the original, we see that (now following the conventions of Srednicki Ch.28)

$$G(\lambda, \epsilon) = \ln \left(Z_\lambda Z_\phi^{-2} \right) = \sum_n \frac{G_n}{\epsilon^n}$$

and by (28.21), $\beta(\lambda)$ should be defined as

$$\beta(\lambda) = \lambda^2 \frac{dG_1}{d\lambda} = \lambda^2 (c_1 - 2a_1) = \lambda^2 \frac{d}{d\lambda} \left(\frac{3\lambda}{16\pi^2} + 0 \right) = \frac{3\lambda^2}{16\pi^2}$$

Next, define

$$M(\lambda, \epsilon) = \ln \left(Z_\phi^{-1/2} Z_m^{1/2} \right) = \sum_n \frac{M_n}{\epsilon^n}$$

By (28.27), we see that

$$\gamma_m = \lambda \frac{dM_1}{d\lambda} = \lambda \frac{d}{d\lambda} \left(\frac{b_1}{2} - \frac{a_1}{2} \right) = \lambda \frac{d}{d\lambda} \left(\frac{\lambda}{32\pi^2} \right) = \frac{\lambda}{32\pi^2}$$

Finally, by (28.36) and (28.37), we see that

$$\gamma_\phi = -\frac{\lambda}{2} \frac{d}{d\lambda} \left[O(\lambda)^2 \right]$$

so $\gamma_\phi \sim O(\lambda^2)$ and has no contribution of order λ .