Quantum Field Theory

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convention, notation, and units

- 笔记中的**度规号差**约定为 (+,-,-,-).
- 使用 natural units, 此时 $\hbar, c, k_B = 1$, 因此 $1 \, \text{m} = \frac{1}{1.97 \times 10^{-16} \, \text{GeV}}$ 且:

names/dimensions	expressions/values
Planck length (L) Planck time (T)	$l_P = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar G}{c^3}} = 1.616 \times 10^{-35} \mathrm{m}$ $t_P = \frac{l_P}{c} = 5.391 \times 10^{-44} \mathrm{s}$
Planck mass (M)	$m_P = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar c}{G}} = 2.176 \times 10^{-8} \mathrm{kg} \simeq 10^{19} \mathrm{GeV}$
Planck temperature (Θ)	$T_P = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar c^5}{Gk_B^2}} = 1.417 \times 10^{32} \mathrm{K}$

• 时空维度用 d = D + 1 表示.

Part I Field Theory

Chapter 1

cross sections and decay rates

1.1 cross sections

• cross section 定义为

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{\Phi} \frac{P}{\Delta t},\tag{1.1.1}$$

其中 $\Phi := nv = \frac{|\vec{v}_1 - \vec{v}_2|}{V}$ 是 incoming flux, 是入射粒子数密度乘粒子速度, P 是发生散射的概率.

• 实验上定义 luminosity 为

$$L\Delta t = \frac{dN}{d\sigma},\tag{1.1.2}$$

其中 dN 是 $d\Omega$ 内发生散射的粒子数.

• 用 S-matrix elements 来表示 cross section, 有

$$dP = \frac{|\langle f|S|i\rangle|^2}{\langle f|f\rangle\langle i|i\rangle}d\Pi,$$
(1.1.3)

其中 dΠ 是末态动量体元

$$d\Pi = \prod_{i} \delta^{(3)}(\vec{p} = 0)d^{3}p_{f,i} = \prod_{i} \frac{V}{(2\pi)^{3}} d^{3}p_{f,i}, \tag{1.1.4}$$

这保证了无相互作用时 $\int dP = 1$.

• 对于初末态有

$$\begin{cases} \langle i|i\rangle = \langle p_1, p_2|p_1, p_2\rangle = (2\pi)^3 2\omega_{p_1} \delta^{(3)}(0)(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{p_2} \delta^{(3)}(0) = (2\omega_{p_1} V)(2\omega_{p_2} V) \\ \langle f|f\rangle = \prod_i (2\omega_{p_{f,i}} V) \end{cases}$$
(1.1.5)

• 一般将 S-matrix 写为

$$S = I + i\mathcal{T}, \quad \mathcal{T} = (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(\sum_{i,f} p)\mathcal{M}, \tag{1.1.6}$$

其中 $\mathcal T$ 称为 transfer matrix, 而 $\mathcal M$ 才是 S-matrix 的 non-trivial part. 有

$$\langle f|S - I|i\rangle = i(2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(\sum_{i,f} p) \langle f|\mathcal{M}|i\rangle.$$
 (1.1.7)

• 对于 $|f\rangle \neq |i\rangle$ 的情况, 有

$$|\langle f|S|i\rangle|^2 = (2\pi)^4 TV \delta^{(4)}(\sum_{i,f} p) |\langle f|\mathcal{M}|i\rangle|^2, \tag{1.1.8}$$

那么

$$dP = \frac{T}{V} \frac{1}{(2\omega_{p_1})(2\omega_{p_2})} |\langle f|\mathcal{M}|i\rangle|^2 d\Pi_{\text{LIPS}}, \tag{1.1.9}$$

其中 LIPS 表示 Lorentz-invariant phase space,

$$d\Pi_{\text{LIPS}} = (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(\sum_{i,f} p) \prod_i \frac{d^3 p_{f,i}}{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{p_{f,i}}}.$$
 (1.1.10)

• 最终有 (将 (1.1.1) 中的 Δt 替换为 T)

$$d\sigma = \frac{1}{|\vec{v}_1 - \vec{v}_2|(2\omega_{p_1})(2\omega_{p_2})} |\langle f|\mathcal{M}|i\rangle|^2 d\Pi_{\text{LIPS}}.$$
(1.1.11)

1.2 decay rates

• decay rate, Γ , 是粒子单位时间发生衰变的概率,

$$d\Gamma = \frac{dP}{T}. ag{1.2.1}$$

• 因为
$$|f\rangle \neq |i\rangle$$
, 有

$$d\Gamma = \frac{1}{2\omega_p} |\langle f|\mathcal{M}|i\rangle|^2 d\Pi_{\text{LIPS}}.$$
 (1.2.2)

Chapter 2

the S-matrix and time-ordered products

2.1 the LSZ reduction formula

• S-matrix element 为

$$\begin{cases} |i\rangle = \sqrt{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{p_1}} \sqrt{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{p_2}} a_{\vec{p}_1}^{\dagger}(-\infty) a_{\vec{p}_2}^{\dagger}(-\infty) |\Omega\rangle \\ |f\rangle = \sqrt{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{p_3}} \cdots \sqrt{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{p_n}} a_{\vec{p}_3}^{\dagger}(+\infty) \cdots a_{\vec{p}_n}^{\dagger}(+\infty) |\Omega\rangle \\ \langle f|S|i\rangle = (2\pi)^{3n/2} \sqrt{2\omega_{p_1} \cdots 2\omega_{p_n}} \langle \Omega|a_{\vec{p}_3}(+\infty) \cdots a_{\vec{p}_n}(+\infty) a_{\vec{p}_1}^{\dagger}(-\infty) a_{\vec{p}_2}^{\dagger}(-\infty) |\Omega\rangle \end{cases}$$

$$(2.1.1)$$

remark:

注意到

$$\begin{cases} a_{\vec{p}}(t) = U^{\dagger}(t)a_{\vec{p}}(0)U(t) \\ |\vec{p}(t)\rangle = U(t)|\vec{p}(0)\rangle \end{cases} \Longrightarrow |\vec{p}(t)\rangle = a_{\vec{p}}^{\dagger}(-t)|\Omega\rangle, \qquad (2.1.2)$$

那么,对于初末态,有

$$|i(-\infty)\rangle = \sqrt{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{p_1}} \sqrt{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_{p_2}} a_{\vec{p}_1}^{\dagger}(0) a_{\vec{p}_2}^{\dagger}(0) |\Omega\rangle$$

$$\Longrightarrow |i(0)\rangle = \cdots, \qquad (2.1.3)$$

可见 (2.1.1) 中的 $|i\rangle$, $|f\rangle$ 都是 t=0 即 Heisenberg picture 中的形式.

• LSZ 需要用到以下公式 (其中 p is on-shell),

$$i \int d^4x \, e^{ip \cdot x} (\partial^2 + m^2) \phi(x) = \sqrt{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_p} \left(e^{i\omega_p t} a_{\vec{p}}(t) \right) \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty}, \tag{2.1.4}$$

注意到,对于 free field,等式两边等于零.

proof:

注意到

$$\int d^3x \, e^{ip \cdot x} (\partial^2 + m^2) \phi(x) = \int d^3x \, e^{ip \cdot x} (\partial_t^2 - \nabla^2 + m^2) \phi(x)$$

$$= \int d^3x \, (e^{ip \cdot x} (\partial_t^2 + m^2) \phi(x) - \phi(x) \nabla^2 e^{ip \cdot x})$$

$$= \int d^3x \, e^{ip \cdot x} (\partial_t^2 + \omega_p^2) \phi(x)$$

$$= \int d^3x \, \partial_t (e^{ip \cdot x} \dot{\phi} - i\omega_p e^{ip \cdot x} \phi) \qquad (2.1.5)$$

$$= \frac{(2\pi)^{3/2}}{\sqrt{2\omega_p}} \partial_t \left(e^{i\omega_p t} (\partial_t - i\omega_p) (a_{\vec{p}}(t) + a_{-\vec{p}}^{\dagger}(t)) \right)$$
 (2.1.6)

其中注意到了

$$e^{i\omega_p t}(\partial_t^2 + \omega_p^2)O(t) = \partial_t(e^{i\omega_p t}(\partial_t - i\omega_p)O(t)), \tag{2.1.7}$$

因此

LHS =
$$i \frac{(2\pi)^{3/2}}{\sqrt{2\omega_p}} (e^{i\omega_p t} (\partial_t - i\omega_p) (a_{\vec{p}}(t) + a_{-\vec{p}}^{\dagger}(t))) \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty},$$
 (2.1.8)

注意到 $t = \pm \infty$ 时, fields are free, 所以

$$\begin{cases}
\lim_{t \to \pm \infty} a_{\vec{p}}(t) \propto e^{-i\omega_p t} a_{\vec{p}} \\
\lim_{t \to \pm \infty} a_{-\vec{p}}^{\dagger}(t) \propto e^{i\omega_p t} a_{-\vec{p}}^{\dagger}
\end{cases} \Longrightarrow
\begin{cases}
\lim_{t \to \pm \infty} (\partial_t - i\omega_p) a_{\vec{p}}(t) = -2i\omega_p a_{\vec{p}}(t) \\
\lim_{t \to \pm \infty} (\partial_t - i\omega_p) a_{-\vec{p}}^{\dagger}(t) = 0
\end{cases},$$
(2.1.9)

代入得到

LHS =
$$\sqrt{(2\pi)^3 2\omega_p} (e^{i\omega_p t} a_{\vec{p}}(t)) \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty}$$
. (2.1.10)

- 考虑 $p_1 \neq p_2 \neq \cdots \neq p_n$ 的情况.
- 考虑

$$\frac{d}{dt}T\{A_1(t_1)\cdots A_{n-1}(t_{n-1})B(t)\}$$

$$=T\{A_1(t_1)\cdots A_n(t_n)\frac{dB(t)}{dt}\} + \sum_{i=1}^n \delta(t-t_i)T\{A_1(t_1)\cdots [B(t_i), A_i(t_i)]\cdots A_n(t_n)\}, \tag{2.1.11}$$

那么

$$\partial_{t_i}^2 T\{\phi_1 \cdots \phi_n\}
= \partial_{t_i} T\{\cdots \partial_{t_i} \phi_i \cdots\} + \sum_{j \neq i} \delta(\cdots) T\{\cdots \underbrace{\left[\phi(t_j, \vec{x}_i), \phi(t_j, \vec{x}_j)\right]}_{=0} \cdots\}
= T\{\cdots \partial_{t_i}^2 \phi_i \cdots\} + \sum_{j \neq i} \delta(t_j - t_i) T\{\cdots \underbrace{\left[\dot{\phi}(t_j, \vec{x}_i), \phi(t_j, \vec{x}_j)\right]}_{=0} \cdots\}
= T\{\cdots \partial_{t_i}^2 \phi_i \cdots\} - i \sum_{j \neq i} \delta^{(4)} (x_j - x_i) T\{\cdots \phi_{j-1} \phi_{j+1} \cdots\},$$
(2.1.12)

所以

$$i \int d^4x_i e^{ip_i \cdot x_i} (\partial_i^2 + m^2) T\{\phi_1 \cdots \phi_n\}$$

$$= i \int d^4x_i e^{ip_i \cdot x_i} \Big(T\{\cdots (\partial_i^2 + m^2)\phi_i \cdots\} - i \sum_{j \neq i} \delta^{(4)}(x_j - x_i) T\{\cdots \phi_{j-1}\phi_{j+1} \cdots\} \Big)$$

$$= i \int dt_i T\{\cdots \int d^3x_i \, \partial_{t_i} (e^{ip_i \cdot x_i} \dot{\phi}_i - i\omega_{p_i} e^{ip_i \cdot x_i} \phi_i) \cdots\}$$

$$+ \sum_{j \neq i} e^{ip_i \cdot x_j} T\{\cdots \phi_{j-1}\phi_{j+1} \cdots\}$$

$$= i \int dt_i \, \Big(\partial_{t_i} T\{\cdots \int d^3x_i \, (e^{ip_i \cdot x_i} \dot{\phi}_i - i\omega_{p_i} e^{ip_i \cdot x_i} \phi_i) \cdots\} \Big)$$

$$- \sum_{j \neq i} \delta(t_i - t_j) T\{\cdots \underbrace{\Big[\int d^3x_i \, e^{i(\omega_{p_i} \cdot t_j - \vec{p}_i \cdot \vec{x}_i)} (\dot{\phi}(t_j, \vec{x}_i) - i\omega_{p_i} \phi(t_j, \vec{x}_i)), \phi_j \Big] \cdots} \Big\} \Big)$$

$$+ \sum_{j \neq i} e^{ip_i \cdot x_j} T\{\cdots \phi_{j-1}\phi_{j+1} \cdots\}$$

$$= i \int dt_i \, \partial_{t_i} T\{\cdots \int d^3x_i \, (e^{ip_i \cdot x_i} \dot{\phi}_i - i\omega_{p_i} e^{ip_i \cdot x_i} \phi_i) \cdots\} \Big)$$

$$= i \int dt_i \, \partial_{t_i} T\{\cdots \int d^3x_i \, (e^{ip_i \cdot x_i} \dot{\phi}_i - i\omega_{p_i} e^{ip_i \cdot x_i} \phi_i) \cdots\}$$

$$(2.1.13)$$

$$= (2\pi)^{3/2} \sqrt{2\omega_{p_i}} \left(e^{i\omega_{p_i}(+\infty)} a_{\vec{p_i}}(+\infty) T\{\cdots \phi_{i-1}\phi_{i+1} \cdots \} - T\{\cdots \phi_{i-1}\phi_{i+1} \cdots \} e^{i\omega_{p_i}(-\infty)} a_{\vec{p_i}}(-\infty) \right),$$
(2.1.14)

其中, (2.1.13) 将对易子抵消掉是很重要的一步.

2.2 LSZ for operators

- $|\Omega\rangle$ 的具体形式见 subsection 3.2.1.
- 考虑

$$\phi(x) = e^{iP \cdot x} \phi(0) e^{-iP \cdot x}, \qquad (2.2.1)$$

且 $P|\Omega\rangle = 0$, 因此

$$\begin{cases} \langle \Omega | \phi(x) | \Omega \rangle = \langle \Omega | \phi(0) | \Omega \rangle \\ \langle p | \phi(x) | \Omega \rangle = e^{ip \cdot x} \langle p | \phi(0) | \Omega \rangle \end{cases}$$
 (2.2.2)

• LSZ reduction formula 的前提是场算符满足

$$\begin{cases} \langle \Omega | \phi(x) | \Omega \rangle = 0 \\ \langle p | \phi(x) | \Omega \rangle = e^{ip \cdot x} \end{cases}$$
 (2.2.3)

remark:

前提是场算符具有以下形式,

$$\phi(x) = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^{3/2} \sqrt{2\omega_p}} (a_{\vec{p}}(t)e^{i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{x}} + a_{\vec{p}}^{\dagger}(t)e^{-i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{x}}), \qquad (2.2.4)$$

和 $a_{\vec{p}}^{\dagger}(\pm\infty) |\Omega\rangle \in \mathrm{span}(|p\rangle)$ 是一个单粒子态,且 $\langle \Omega | \, a_{\vec{p}}^{\dagger}(+\infty) = a_{\vec{p}}(-\infty) \, |\Omega\rangle = 0.$

• 注意, 在 Heisenberg picture 中,

$$\phi(t=0,\vec{x}) = \phi_0(\vec{x}) = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^{3/2}\sqrt{2\omega_p}} (a_{\vec{p}}e^{i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{x}} + a_{\vec{p}}^{\dagger}e^{-i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{x}}). \tag{2.2.5}$$

• (2.1.9) 和 $H|\Omega\rangle = 0$ (要求 H 不含时) 矛盾 (?), 因为 LSZ 考虑的 Hamiltonian 是

$$H = H_0 + V\theta(t - T)\theta(t + T), T \gg 0,$$
 (2.2.6)

所以 (2.2.3) 只在 -T < t < T 成立.

Chapter 3

Feynman rules

3.1 Lagrangian derivation

• 假设存在相互作用时, 场算符依然满足

$$\begin{cases} [\phi(t, \vec{x}), \phi(t, \vec{y})] = 0\\ [\phi(t, \vec{x}), \partial_t \phi(t, \vec{y})] = i\delta^{(3)}(\vec{x} - \vec{y}) \end{cases},$$
(3.1.1)

即 causality and canonical commutation relation.

• 一个重要的中间公式为

$$(\partial_x^2 + m^2) \langle \Omega | T\{\phi(x)\phi(y)\} | \Omega \rangle = \langle \Omega | T\{(\partial_x^2 + m^2)\phi(x)\phi(y)\} | \Omega \rangle - i\delta^{(4)}(x - y). \tag{3.1.2}$$

proof:

考虑

$$\partial_{t} \langle \Omega | T \{ \phi(x)\phi(y) \} | \Omega \rangle = \partial_{t} (\langle \Omega | \phi(x)\phi(y) | \Omega \rangle \theta(t-t') + \langle \Omega | \phi(y)\phi(x) | \Omega \rangle \theta(t'-t))
= \langle \Omega | \partial_{t}\phi(x)\phi(y) | \Omega \rangle \theta(t-t') + \langle \Omega | \phi(x)\phi(y) | \Omega \rangle \delta(t-t')
+ \langle \Omega | \phi(y)\partial_{t}\phi(x) | \Omega \rangle \theta(t'-t) - \langle \Omega | \phi(y)\phi(x) | \Omega \rangle \delta(t'-t)
= \langle \Omega | T \{ \partial_{t}\phi(x)\phi(y) \} | \Omega \rangle + \langle \Omega | [\phi(t,\vec{x}),\phi(t,\vec{y})] | \Omega \rangle \delta(t-t')
= \langle \Omega | T \{ \partial_{t}\phi(x)\phi(y) \} | \Omega \rangle ,$$
(3.1.3)

那么

$$\partial_{t}^{2} \langle \Omega | T \{ \phi(x)\phi(y) \} | \Omega \rangle = \partial_{t} \langle \Omega | T \{ \partial_{t}\phi(x)\phi(y) \} | \Omega \rangle
= \partial_{t} (\langle \Omega | \partial_{t}\phi(x)\phi(y) | \Omega \rangle \theta(t-t') + \langle \Omega | \phi(y)\partial_{t}\phi(x) | \Omega \rangle \theta(t'-t))
= \langle \Omega | \partial_{t}^{2}\phi(x)\phi(y) | \Omega \rangle \theta(t-t') + \langle \Omega | \partial_{t}\phi(x)\phi(y) | \Omega \rangle \delta(t-t')
+ \langle \Omega | \phi(y)\partial_{t}^{2}\phi(x) | \Omega \rangle \theta(t'-t) - \langle \Omega | \phi(y)\partial_{t}\phi(x) | \Omega \rangle \delta(t'-t)
= \langle \Omega | T \{ \partial_{t}^{2}\phi(x)\phi(y) \} | \Omega \rangle + \langle \Omega | [\partial_{t}\phi(t,\vec{x}),\phi(t,\vec{y})] | \Omega \rangle \delta(t-t')
= \langle \Omega | T \{ \partial_{t}^{2}\phi(x)\phi(y) \} | \Omega \rangle - i\delta^{(4)}(x-y).$$
(3.1.4)

• (3.1.2) 可以推广为 (其中 ϕ_i 是 $\phi(x_i)$ 的简写)

$$(\partial_1^2 + m^2) \langle \Omega | T \{ \phi(x_1) \cdots \phi(x_n) \} | \Omega \rangle$$

$$= \langle \Omega | T \{ (\partial_1^2 + m^2) \phi(x_1) \cdots \phi(x_n) \} | \Omega \rangle - i \sum_{i=2}^n \delta^{(4)}(x_i - x_1) \langle \Omega | \phi_2 \cdots \phi_{i-1} \phi_{i+1} \cdots \phi_n | \Omega \rangle.$$
(3.1.5)

proof:

首先

$$\partial_{t_1} \langle \Omega | T\{\phi(x_1) \cdots \phi(x_n)\} | \Omega \rangle = \langle \Omega | T\{\partial_{t_1} \phi(x_1) \cdots \phi(x_n)\} | \Omega \rangle, \qquad (3.1.6)$$

那么
$$\partial_{t_1}^2 \langle \Omega | T\{\phi(x_1) \cdots \phi(x_n)\} | \Omega \rangle = \partial_{t_1} \langle \Omega | T\{\partial_{t_1} \phi(x_1) \cdots \phi(x_n)\} | \Omega \rangle = \cdots$$
 (3.1.7)

• canonical commutation relation 保证了 quantum field 满足 Euler-Lagrange equation, 因此

$$(\partial^2 + m^2)\phi = -\frac{\delta}{\delta\phi}V(\phi). \tag{3.1.8}$$

• 结合 (3.1.5) 和 (3.1.8) 得到 Schwinger-Dyson equations,

$$(\partial_1^2 + m^2) \langle \Omega | T \{ \phi(x_1) \cdots \phi(x_n) \} | \Omega \rangle$$

$$= \langle \Omega | T \{ -\frac{\delta}{\delta \phi_1} V(\phi_1) \cdots \phi(x_n) \} | \Omega \rangle - i \sum_{i=2}^n \delta^{(4)} (x_i - x_1) \langle \Omega | \phi_2 \cdots \phi_{i-1} \phi_{i+1} \cdots \phi_n | \Omega \rangle.$$
(3.1.9)

3.1.1 position-space Feynman rules

• Feynman propagator 为 ($\phi_0(x)$ 是 free field, 本 chapter 不做特别说明都是存在相互作用的 Heisenberg picture)

$$D_F(x-y) := \langle 0|T\{\phi_0(x)\phi_0(y)\}|0\rangle = \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{i}{k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} e^{ik\cdot(x-y)}, \tag{3.1.10}$$

满足

$$(\partial^2 + m^2)D_F(x - y) = -i\delta^{(4)}(x - y). \tag{3.1.11}$$

• 2-point correlation function 可以重写作 (注意到 $\lim_{x\to\infty} D_{xy} = \lim_{x\to\infty} \partial_x D_{xy} = 0$)

$$\langle \Omega | T\{\phi_1 \phi_2\} | \Omega \rangle = i \int d^4 x \left((\partial_x^2 + m^2) D_{x1} \right) \langle \Omega | T\{\phi_x \phi_2\} | \Omega \rangle$$

$$= i \int d^4 x D_{x1} (\partial_x^2 + m^2) \langle \Omega | T\{\phi_x \phi_2\} | \Omega \rangle$$

$$= D_{12} + i \int d^4 x D_{x1} \langle \Omega | T\{-\frac{\delta}{\delta \phi_x} V(\phi_x) \phi_2\} | \Omega \rangle , \qquad (3.1.12)$$

类似地, 4-point function 可以写作

$$\langle \Omega | T \{ \phi_1 \phi_2 \phi_3 \phi_4 \} | \Omega \rangle = D_{12} D_{34} + D_{13} D_{24} + D_{14} D_{23}$$

$$+ i \int d^4 x \, D_{x1} \, \langle \Omega | T \{ -\frac{\delta}{\delta \phi_x} V(\phi_x) \phi_2 \phi_3 \phi_4 \} | \Omega \rangle$$

$$+ D_{12} i \int d^4 y \, D_{3y} \, \langle \Omega | T \{ -\frac{\delta}{\delta \phi_y} V(\phi_y) \phi_4 \} | \Omega \rangle + \cdots$$
(3.1.13)

• 考虑 $V(\phi) = -\frac{g}{3!}\phi^3$, 那么 2-point function 为

$$\langle \Omega | T \{ \phi_1 \phi_2 \} | \Omega \rangle = D_{12} + i \int d^4 x \, D_{x1} \, \langle \Omega | T \{ \frac{g}{2!} \phi_x^2 \phi_2 \} | \Omega \rangle$$

$$= D_{12} + i \int d^4 x \, D_{x1} \Big(i \int d^4 y \, D_{y2} \, \langle \frac{g}{2!} \phi_x^2 \frac{g}{2!} \phi_y^2 \rangle + 2! D_{x2} \, \langle \frac{g}{2!} \phi_x \rangle \, \Big), \tag{3.1.14}$$

其中

$$\begin{cases}
\langle \phi_x \rangle = i \int d^4 y \, D_{yx} (\partial_y^2 + m^2) \, \langle \phi_y \rangle = i \int d^4 y \, D_{yx} \, \langle \frac{g}{2!} \phi_y^2 \rangle \\
= i \frac{g}{2!} \int d^4 y \, D_{yx} D_{yy} + O(g^2) \\
\langle \phi_x^2 \phi_y^2 \rangle = D_{xx} D_{yy} + 2 D_{xy} D_{xy} + O(g)
\end{cases} , \tag{3.1.15}$$

因此

$$\langle \phi_1 \phi_2 \rangle = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} + \int_{x_1}^{x_2} y + \int_{x_1}^{x_2} y + x + \int_{x_1}^{x_2} y + O(g^3)$$

$$= D_{12} + \frac{(ig)^2}{4} D_{1x} D_{xx} D_{yy} D_{y2} + \frac{(ig)^2}{2} D_{1x} D_{xy} D_{xy} D_{y2} + \frac{(ig)^2}{2} D_{1x} D_{xy} D_{yy} D_{x2} + O(g^3), (3.1.16)$$

其中 4,2 是 symmetry factors.

• 下图的 symmetry factor 为 1,

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3.2 Hamiltonian derivation

• interaction picture...

3.2.1 vacuum matrix elements

• section 2.2 中注意到了 $|\Omega\rangle$ 的定义 (in Heisenberg picture),

$$\begin{cases} a_{\vec{p}}(-\infty) |\Omega\rangle = U^{\dagger}(-\infty) a_{\vec{p}} U(-\infty) |\Omega\rangle = 0 \\ a_{\vec{p}}(+\infty) |\Omega\rangle = U^{\dagger}(+\infty) a_{\vec{p}} U(+\infty) |\Omega\rangle = 0 \end{cases} \Longrightarrow U(\pm \infty) |\Omega\rangle \propto |0\rangle,$$
 (3.2.1)

那么 Schrodinger picture 和 interaction picture 中分别有

$$\begin{cases} |\Omega(t)\rangle = \mathcal{N}_i U(t, -\infty) |0\rangle = \mathcal{N}_f U(t, +\infty) |0\rangle & \text{Schrodinger picture} \\ |\Omega(t)\rangle_I = \mathcal{N}_i U_I(t, -\infty) |0\rangle = \mathcal{N}_f U_I(t, +\infty) |0\rangle & \text{interaction picture} \end{cases}$$
(3.2.2)

calculation:

令

$$|\Omega\rangle \equiv |\Omega(0)\rangle = \mathcal{N}_i U(0, -\infty) |0\rangle = \mathcal{N}_f U(0, +\infty) |0\rangle,$$
 (3.2.3)

且

$$\begin{cases} U_I(0, -\infty)U_0(0, -\infty) = U(0, -\infty) \\ U_I(0, +\infty)U_0(0, +\infty) = U(0, +\infty) \end{cases} \text{ and } U_0(0, \pm \infty) |0\rangle = |0\rangle,$$
 (3.2.4)

因此

$$|\Omega\rangle_{I} = \begin{cases} \mathcal{N}_{i}U_{I}(t,0)U(0,-\infty) |0\rangle = \mathcal{N}_{i}U_{I}(t,-\infty) |0\rangle \\ \mathcal{N}_{f}U_{I}(t,0)U(0,+\infty) |0\rangle = \mathcal{N}_{f}U_{I}(t,+\infty) |0\rangle \end{cases}$$
(3.2.5)

- $-H|\Omega\rangle = 0$ 因为 $[H, U(t_1, t_2)] = 0$ (前提是 Hamiltonian 不含时).
- 因此

$$\langle \Omega | T\{\phi_1 \cdots \phi_n\} | \Omega \rangle = \frac{\langle 0 | T\{\phi_{0,1} \cdots \phi_{0,n} U_I(+\infty, -\infty)\} | 0 \rangle}{\langle 0 | U_I(+\infty, -\infty) | 0 \rangle}.$$
 (3.2.6)

calculation:

$$\langle \Omega | T \{ \phi_1 \cdots \phi_n \} | \Omega \rangle
= \mathcal{N}_f^* \mathcal{N}_i \langle 0 | U(+\infty, 0) T \{ (U(0, t_1) \phi_{S,1} U(t_1, 0)) (U(0, t_2) \phi_{S,2} U(t_2, 0)) \cdots \} U(0, -\infty) | 0 \rangle
= \mathcal{N}_f^* \mathcal{N}_i \langle 0 | U_I(+\infty, 0) T \{ (U_I(0, t_1) U_0(0, t_1) \phi_{S,1} U_0(t_1, 0) U_I(t_1, 0)) \cdots \} U_I(0, -\infty) | 0 \rangle
= \mathcal{N}_f^* \mathcal{N}_i \langle 0 | U_I(+\infty, 0) T \{ (U_I(0, t_1) \phi_{0,1} U_I(t_1, 0)) \cdots \} U_I(0, -\infty) | 0 \rangle = \cdots$$
(3.2.7)

另外注意到

$$\mathcal{N}_f^* \mathcal{N}_i \langle 0 | U_I(-\infty, +\infty) | 0 \rangle = 1. \tag{3.2.8}$$

3.2.2 time-ordered products and contractions

• 用 Wick contraction 计算 (3.2.6), 得到

$$\langle \Omega | T\{\phi_1 \cdots \phi_n\} | \Omega \rangle = \langle 0 | T\{\phi_{0,1} \cdots \phi_{0,n} U_I(+\infty, -\infty)\} | 0 \rangle_{\text{no hubbles}}. \tag{3.2.9}$$

3.3 momentum-space Feynman rules

• 考虑如下 Feynman 图,

$$p_{3} = \underbrace{\sum_{p_{1}}^{x_{2}} y}_{x_{1}} p_{1} - p_{3} = \underbrace{\frac{(ig)^{2}}{2}} \int d^{4}x \int d^{4}y D_{1x} D_{xy}^{2} D_{y2}$$

$$= \underbrace{\frac{(ig)^{2}}{2}} \int \frac{d^{4}p_{1}}{(2\pi)^{4}} \frac{ie^{ip_{1} \cdot x_{1}}}{p_{1}^{2} - m^{2} + i\epsilon} \int \frac{d^{4}p_{2}}{(2\pi)^{4}} \frac{ie^{-ip_{2} \cdot x_{2}}}{p_{2}^{2} - m^{2} + i\epsilon}$$

$$\int \frac{d^{4}p_{3}}{(2\pi)^{4}} \frac{i}{p_{3}^{2} - m^{2} + i\epsilon} \frac{i}{(p_{1} - p_{3})^{2} - m^{2} + i\epsilon} (2\pi)^{4} \delta^{(4)}(p_{1} - p_{2}), \qquad (3.3.1)$$

代入 LSZ, 有

$$\langle p_{2}|S|p_{1}\rangle = \dots + i \int d^{4}x_{1} e^{-ip_{1} \cdot x_{1}} (\partial_{1}^{2} + m^{2}) i \int d^{4}x_{2} e^{ip_{2} \cdot x_{2}} (\partial_{2}^{2} + m^{2}) \underbrace{\downarrow}_{x_{1}}^{y} + \dots$$

$$= \dots + \frac{(ig)^{2}}{2} (2\pi)^{4} \delta^{(4)}(p_{1} - p_{2}) \int \frac{d^{4}p_{3}}{(2\pi)^{4}} \frac{i}{p_{3}^{2} - m^{2} + i\epsilon} \frac{i}{(p_{1} - p_{3})^{2} - m^{2} + i\epsilon} + \dots, \quad (3.3.2)$$

所以

$$i \langle p_2 | \mathcal{M} | p_1 \rangle = \dots + \frac{(ig)^2}{2} \int \frac{d^4 p_3}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{i}{p_3^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} \frac{i}{(p_1 - p_3)^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} + \dots$$
 (3.3.3)

• 再考虑 (LSZ 中的 p_1, p_2 都 on-shell)

$$\begin{array}{l}
p_2 & \uparrow \\
p_1 & \uparrow \\
x_1
\end{array} = i \int d^4 x_1 e^{-ip_1 \cdot x_1} (\partial_1^2 + m^2) i \int d^4 x_2 e^{ip_2 \cdot x_2} (\partial_2^2 + m^2) D_{12} \\
&= i (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)} (p_1 - p_2) (-p_1^2 + m^2) = 0,
\end{array} (3.3.4)$$

符合预期 (见 (2.1.4)).

3.3.1 disconnected graphs

- disconnected graphs are never important (?).
- 考虑

那么

$$\langle p_{2}|S|p_{1}\rangle = \dots + \frac{(ig)^{2}}{4}(2\pi)^{4}\delta^{(4)}(p_{1})\int \frac{d^{4}p_{3}}{(2\pi)^{4}}\frac{i}{p_{3}^{2}-m^{2}+i\epsilon}$$

$$(2\pi)^{4}\delta^{(4)}(p_{2})\int \frac{d^{4}p_{4}}{(2\pi)^{4}}\frac{i}{p_{4}^{2}-m^{2}+i\epsilon} + \dots$$

$$= \dots + \frac{(ig)^{2}}{4}(2\pi)^{4}\delta^{(4)}(p_{1}-p_{2})$$

$$\left((2\pi)^{4}\delta^{(4)}(p_{1})\int \frac{d^{4}p_{3}}{(2\pi)^{4}}\frac{i}{p_{3}^{2}-m^{2}+i\epsilon}\int \frac{d^{4}p_{4}}{(2\pi)^{4}}\frac{i}{p_{4}^{2}-m^{2}+i\epsilon}\right) + \dots$$
(3.3.6)

• 再考虑

3.4 Mandelstam variables

适用于 2 → 2 散射.

Part II Quantum Electrodynamics

Chapter 4 spin 1 and gauge invariance

Appendices