

QFT II

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Note Title

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Heat Kernel

Recall $\det O = e^{\text{Tr} \ln O} = e^{\int dx \langle X | \ln O | X \rangle}$ ↙ more Traces

Use $\ln \frac{b}{a} = \int_0^\infty \frac{dx}{x} (e^{-ax} - e^{-bx})$

$\Rightarrow \langle X | \ln O | X \rangle = - \int_0^\infty \frac{d\tau}{\tau} \langle X | e^{-\tau O} | X \rangle + \text{const}$ ↙ drop

Heat Kernel

$$H(x, \tau) \equiv \langle X | e^{-\tau O} | X \rangle$$

Math Gilkey, DDH

$$\mathcal{O} = d_\mu d^\mu + m^2 + \mathcal{V}(x)$$

$$d_\mu = \partial_\mu + \Gamma_\mu(x)$$

$$H(x, \tilde{r}) = \frac{1}{(4\pi)^{d/2}} e^{-\tilde{r} m^2} = \frac{1}{(4\pi)^{d/2}} e^{-\tilde{r} m^2} \left[a_0(x) + a_1(x) \tilde{r} + a_2(x) \tilde{r}^2 + \dots \right]$$

$$a_0 = 1$$

$$a_1 = -\sigma$$

$$a_2 = \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 + \frac{1}{12} [d_\mu, d_\nu] [d^\mu, d^\nu] + \frac{1}{6} [d_\mu, [d^\mu, \sigma]]$$

Then

$$\langle N | e_n \mathcal{O} | X \rangle = \frac{-i}{(4\pi)^{d/2}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} m^{d-2n} \Gamma(n - \frac{d}{2}) a_n(x)$$

Example QED

$$d_\mu = \partial_\mu + ie A_\mu, \quad \sigma = 0$$

$$[d_\mu, d_\nu] = ie(\partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu) = ie F_{\mu\nu}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{(ie)^2}{12} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\langle N | \ln O | N \rangle = \frac{-i}{(4\pi)^{d/2}} \int M^{d-4} \frac{(ie)^2}{12} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \Gamma(2 - \frac{d}{2}) = i \frac{\pi(6)}{2} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$$

↓

- no need to calculate loops!

Fermions in Path Integrals

Bosons

$$Z_0[J] = N \int [d\phi] e^{i \int d^4x [\mathcal{L}_0 + J\phi]} = N e^{-\frac{i}{2} \int d^4x d^4y J(x) D_F(x-y) J(y)}$$

Fermion $\psi, \bar{\psi}$

- sources $\eta(x), \bar{\eta}(x)$

$$Z_0[\eta, \bar{\eta}] = N e^{-i \int d^4x d^4y \bar{\eta}(x) S_F(x-y) \eta(y)} = N \int d\psi d\bar{\psi} e^{i \int d^4x [\mathcal{L}_0 + \bar{\eta}\psi + \bar{\psi}\eta]}$$

Issues ordering & signs + $\eta, \bar{\eta}$ will be anticommuting

$$G^{(2)}(x, x') = \frac{1}{Z[0]} \frac{\delta^2 Z[\eta, \bar{\eta}]}{\delta \eta(x) \delta \bar{\eta}(x')} = \langle 0 | T \psi(x) \bar{\psi}(x') | 0 \rangle$$

$$= i S_F(x-x')$$

Anticommuting sources

$$\frac{\delta}{\delta \bar{\eta}(x)} \int d^4y \bar{\eta}(y) \psi(y) = \psi(x)$$

$$\frac{\delta}{\delta \eta(x)} \int d^4y \bar{\psi}(y) \eta(y) = -\bar{\psi}(x)$$

\uparrow

Then

$$\frac{\delta}{\delta \bar{\eta}(x)} e^{i \int d^4y [\bar{\eta} \psi + \bar{\psi} \eta]} = i \psi(x) e^{i \dots}$$
$$\frac{\delta}{\delta \eta(x)} e^{i \int d^4y [\bar{\eta} \psi + \bar{\psi} \eta]} = -i \bar{\psi}(x) e^{i \dots}$$

Pert Theory

$$i \int d^4x [\mathcal{L}_0 + \mathcal{L}_I(\psi, \bar{\psi}) + \bar{\eta} \psi + \bar{\psi} \eta]$$

$$Z[\eta, \bar{\eta}] = \int d\psi d\bar{\psi} e^{-i \int d^4x [\mathcal{L}_0 + \mathcal{L}_I(\psi, \bar{\psi}) + \bar{\eta} \psi + \bar{\psi} \eta]}$$

$$= e^{i \int d^4x \mathcal{L}_I(-i \frac{\delta}{\delta \bar{\eta}}, +i \frac{\delta}{\delta \eta})} Z_0[\eta, \bar{\eta}]$$

↑ expand + Feynman rules

Grassmann numbers

$$\{\alpha, \alpha\} = 0 \quad \alpha^2 = 0$$

$$\{\alpha, \beta\} = 0$$

$$f(\alpha) = f_0 + f_1 \alpha$$

$$g(\alpha, \beta) = g_0 + g_1 \alpha + g_2 \beta + g_3 \alpha \beta$$

Diff.

$$\frac{d}{d\alpha} \alpha = 1 \quad , \quad \frac{d}{d\alpha} \beta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{d\alpha} f(\alpha) = f_1 \quad ,$$

$$\frac{d}{d\alpha} g(\alpha, \beta) = g_1 + g_3 \beta \quad ; \quad \frac{d}{d\beta} g(\alpha, \beta) = g_2 - g_3 \alpha \quad \checkmark$$

Integration

translation property $\int d\alpha f(\alpha) = \int d\alpha f(\alpha + \beta)$

$$f(\alpha + \beta) = f_0 + f_1 \alpha + f_2 \beta$$

$$\int d\alpha (f_0 + f_1 \alpha) = \int d\alpha (f_0 + f_1 \alpha + f_2 \beta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int d\alpha f_2 \beta = 0 \Rightarrow \int d\alpha = 0$$

$$\int d\alpha \alpha \equiv 1$$

$$\int d\alpha f(\alpha) = f_1$$

More variables $\alpha_i, \bar{\alpha}_i$

$$\int d\bar{\alpha}_i d\alpha_i e^{-\bar{\alpha}_i m \alpha_i} = \int d\bar{\alpha}_i d\alpha_i (1 - \bar{\alpha}_i m \alpha_i) = m$$

Yet more $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots) (\bar{\alpha}_1, \bar{\alpha}_2, \dots)$

$$\int d\bar{\alpha}_1 \dots d\bar{\alpha}_n d\alpha_1 \dots d\alpha_n e^{-\bar{\alpha}_i M_{ij} \alpha_j} \xrightarrow{\substack{\text{diagonalize} \\ + \text{use above}}} \prod_{i=1}^n m_i = \det M$$

\swarrow eigenvalues

Fields $\alpha_i \rightarrow \psi(x)$ $\bar{\alpha}_i \rightarrow \bar{\psi}(x)$

$$Z = \int d\bar{\psi} d\psi e^{i \int dx \bar{\psi}(x) \mathcal{O} \psi(x)} = \det \mathcal{O}$$

\uparrow Boson $[\det \mathcal{O}]^{-1/2}$

$$i \int d^4x [\bar{\psi}(i\not{\partial} - m)\psi + \bar{\eta}\psi + \bar{\psi}\eta]$$

Sources

$$Z[\eta, \bar{\eta}] = \int d\psi [d\bar{\psi}] e^{i \int d^4x [\bar{\psi}(i\not{\partial} - m)\psi + \bar{\eta}\psi + \bar{\psi}\eta]}$$

Complete square

$$\psi'(x) = \psi(x) + \int d^4y S_F(x-y) \eta(y)$$

$$(i\not{\partial} - m)S_F(x-y) = \delta^4(x-y)$$

$$\bar{\psi}'(x) = \bar{\psi}(x) + \int d^4y \bar{\eta}(y) S_F(x-y)$$

$$\text{The } \int d^4x \bar{\psi}'(i\not{\partial} - m)\psi' = \int d^4x [\bar{\psi}(i\not{\partial} - m)\psi + \bar{\eta}\psi + \bar{\psi}\eta] + \int d^4x d^4y \bar{\eta}(x) S_F(x-y) \eta(y)$$

$$\text{use } \int d\psi = \int d\psi'$$

$$\rightarrow \int d^4x d^4y \bar{\eta}(x) S_F(x-y) \eta(y)$$

$$Z[\eta, \bar{\eta}] = Z[0, 0] e^{-i \int d^4x d^4y \bar{\eta}(x) S_F(x-y) \eta(y)}$$

Spin Statistics Thm

Integer spin \Rightarrow commutators \Rightarrow Bose Einstein

Half integral \Rightarrow anticommutators \Rightarrow F.D statistics

Proof: Pauli, Book Streets + Whiteman, Pedagogji = Weinberg QFT I

Ingredients:
Lorentz Invariance
positive energies
positive norms
causality

In 2D Anyons $|\psi_1, \psi_2\rangle = e^{i\theta} |\psi_2, \psi_1\rangle$ any θ

Dirac Algebra

$$\text{Fermions } \overline{\psi} \psi = -i \not{\partial} \psi$$

$$\frac{i}{\not{p} - m + i\epsilon} = \frac{1}{\not{p} - m} \frac{(\not{p} + m)}{\not{p}^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}$$

1) Standard Basis

$$\gamma_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \gamma_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma^i \\ -\sigma^i & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \gamma_5 = -i\gamma_0\gamma_1\gamma_2\gamma_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

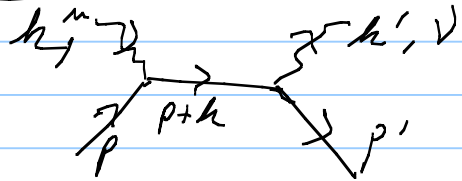
Basis 4x4 matrices, 16 matrices as a basis

$$1, \gamma_5, \gamma_\mu, \gamma_\mu\gamma_5, \sigma_{\mu\nu} \equiv \frac{i}{2} [\gamma_\mu, \gamma_\nu]$$

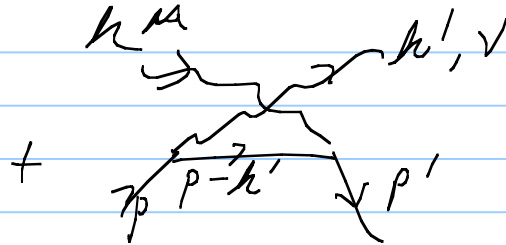
$$\# \quad 1, 1, 4, 4, \underbrace{0i, (12, 13, 23)}_6 = 16$$

$$\sigma_{\mu\nu} \gamma_5 = -i \sum_{\alpha\beta} \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\mu\nu} \sigma^{\alpha\beta}$$

2) Order matters



(a)



(b)

$$M_a = \bar{u}(p') \left[-ie\gamma^\nu \frac{i}{p+k-m} -ie\gamma^\mu \right] u(p) \quad \Sigma_\nu^\mu(k') \quad \Sigma_\mu(k) \quad ?$$

$$M_b = \bar{u}(p') \left[-ie\gamma^\mu \frac{i}{p-k'-m} -ie\gamma^\nu \right] u(p) \quad \Sigma_\nu^\mu(k') \quad \Sigma_\mu(k)$$

\uparrow $p'+k-m$

Sample calculation - Gauge Invariance

$$M = \epsilon_\nu^*(k') \epsilon_\mu(k) M^{\mu\nu}$$

Since $A^\mu \rightarrow A^\mu + \partial^\mu \Lambda \Rightarrow$ gauge invariance

$$\epsilon^\mu(k) \rightarrow \epsilon^\mu(k) + a k^\mu \rightarrow$$

Requires $k^\mu M_{\mu\nu} = 0$ and $k'^\nu M_{\mu\nu} = 0$

Check

$$k^\mu M_{\mu\nu} = (-ie)^2 \bar{u}(p') \left[\gamma_\nu \frac{1}{\not{p} + \not{k} - m} \not{k} + \not{k} \frac{1}{\not{p}' - \not{k} - m} \gamma_\nu \right] u(p) \quad] u(p)$$

$$\text{Use } \not{k} u(p) = (\not{p} + \not{k} - m) u(p), \quad \bar{u}(p') \not{k} = \bar{u}(p') [-(\not{p}' - \not{k} - m)]$$

$$\Rightarrow k^\mu M_{\mu\nu} = () \bar{u} [\gamma_\nu - \gamma_\nu] u(p) = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

