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Advanced Quantum Field theory Exercise 8

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$$L = \underbrace{-\frac{1}{2} H (\partial_\mu \partial^\mu + M^2) H + \bar{\psi} (i\partial - m)\psi}_{L_0} + \underbrace{-g \bar{\psi} \psi H}_{L_{int}}$$

Why scalar field? The derivative? Not just integrate by parts in the action.

Use the  $\Gamma[\phi] = -i \log Z[\phi]$  to get only fully connected diagrams while  $W = \frac{i\Gamma}{\hbar}$  includes vacuum bubbles. In QFT, there are always already source terms included? No, but yes.

a) Introducing sources, we get:

$$\tilde{L} = -\frac{1}{2} H (\partial_\mu \partial^\mu + M^2) H + \bar{\psi} (i\partial - m)\psi + H j + \bar{\psi} \eta + \bar{\eta} \psi$$

$$\begin{aligned} H &= H_a + H' \\ \psi &= \psi_a + \psi' \\ \tilde{L} &= -\frac{1}{2} (H_a + H') (\partial_\mu \partial^\mu + M^2) (H_a + H') \\ &\quad + (\bar{\psi}_a + \bar{\psi}') (i\partial - m) (\psi_a + \psi') \\ &\quad + (H_a + H') j + (\bar{\psi}_a + \bar{\psi}') \eta + \bar{\eta} (\psi_a + \psi') \\ &= \underbrace{-\frac{1}{2} H_a (\partial_\mu \partial^\mu + M^2) H_a + \bar{\psi}_a (i\partial - m) \psi_a + H_a j + \bar{\psi}_a \eta + \bar{\eta} \psi_a}_{= L_a} \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2} H' (\partial_\mu \partial^\mu + M^2) H' + \bar{\psi}' (i\partial - m) \psi' \\ &\quad + H' j + \bar{\psi}' \eta + \bar{\eta} \psi' \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2} H_a (\partial_\mu \partial^\mu + M^2) H' - \frac{1}{2} H' (\partial_\mu \partial^\mu + M^2) H_a \\ &\quad + \bar{\psi}_a (i\partial - m) \psi' + \bar{\psi}' (i\partial - m) \psi_a \end{aligned}$$

Why the  $i$  in the  $H_d = \dots$  etc. solutions?  $\rightarrow$  commutation of the lecture (see tutorial)

The last 3 lines vanish, as we can use the (solutions for  $H_a, \psi_a, \bar{\psi}_a$  from the) classical equation of motion:

(Prop. are the greens fct. of the corresponding operators)

$$\begin{aligned} (\partial^2 + M^2) H_a &= j(x) \rightarrow H_a = i \int d^4 y \Delta_F(x-y) j(y) \quad \leftarrow \text{Feynman prop.} \\ (i\partial - m) \psi_a &= -\eta \rightarrow \psi_a = i \int d^4 y S_F(x-y) \eta(y) \quad \leftarrow \text{Dirac prop.} \\ \bar{\psi}_a (i\partial + m) &= +\bar{\eta} \rightarrow \bar{\psi}_a = i \int d^4 y \bar{\eta}(y) S_F(x-y) \end{aligned}$$

and one additional integration by parts in the  $\bar{\psi}_a (i\partial - m) \psi'$ -term  $\rightarrow \bar{\psi}_a (-i\partial - m) \psi'$

Eq. of motion from upper Lagrangian w/  $H, \psi, \bar{\psi}$ ?  $\rightarrow$   $\partial_\mu \partial^\mu$ -term?  $\rightarrow$  better int. by parts and then but probably  $\partial_\mu \partial^\mu$  is a determining degree of freedom!

thus, we have

$$\tilde{L}_0 = L_0 - \frac{1}{2} H' (\partial_\mu \partial^\mu + m^2) H' + \bar{\psi}' (i \partial - m) \psi'$$

For the generating functional, we notice

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{int}[j, \eta, \bar{\eta}] &= \int \mathcal{D}H \int \mathcal{D}\psi \int \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \exp \left\{ i \int d^4x (\tilde{L}_0 + L_{int}) \right\} \\ &= \int \mathcal{D}H \int \mathcal{D}\psi \int \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \exp \left\{ i \int d^4x \left( -\frac{1}{2} H (\partial_\mu \partial^\mu + m^2) H + \bar{\psi} (i \partial - m) \psi \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + H j + \bar{\psi} \eta + \bar{\eta} \psi - g \bar{\psi} \psi H \right) \right\} \\ &= \int \mathcal{D}H \int \mathcal{D}\psi \int \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \exp \left\{ -i g \int d^4x \bar{\psi} \psi H \right\} \\ &\quad \times \exp \left\{ i \int d^4x \left( -\frac{1}{2} H (\partial_\mu \partial^\mu + m^2) H + \bar{\psi} (i \partial - m) \psi \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + H j + \bar{\psi} \eta + \bar{\eta} \psi \right) \right\} \\ &= \int \mathcal{D}H \int \mathcal{D}\psi \int \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \exp \left\{ -i g \int d^4x \left( \frac{1}{i} \frac{\delta}{\delta \eta(z)} \frac{1}{i} \frac{\delta}{\delta \bar{\eta}(z)} \frac{1}{i} \frac{\delta}{\delta j(z)} \right) \right\} \\ &\quad \times \exp \left\{ i \int d^4x \tilde{L}_0 \right\} \\ &= \int \mathcal{D}H \int \mathcal{D}\psi \int \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \exp \left\{ g \int d^4x \left( \frac{\delta}{\delta \eta(z)} \frac{\delta}{\delta \bar{\eta}(z)} \frac{\delta}{\delta j(z)} \right) \right\} \\ &\quad \times \exp \left\{ i \int d^4x \tilde{L}_0 \right\} \\ &= \exp \left\{ g \int d^4x \left( \frac{\delta}{\delta \eta(z)} \frac{\delta}{\delta \bar{\eta}(z)} \frac{\delta}{\delta j(z)} \right) \right\} \underbrace{\int \mathcal{D}H \int \mathcal{D}\psi \int \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \exp \left\{ i \int d^4x \tilde{L}_0 \right\}}_{Z[j, \eta, \bar{\eta}] \text{ (no int. } \psi)} \end{aligned}$$

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 $= \langle 0 | 0 \rangle^{j, \eta, \bar{\eta}}$   
 Because actually had  $\langle 0 | 0 \rangle^{j, \eta, \bar{\eta}}$  as vacuum to vacuum transition amplitude (see)

Using the above result, we find:

$$\begin{aligned} Z[j, \eta, \bar{\eta}] &= \int \mathcal{D}H' \int \mathcal{D}\psi' \int \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi}' \exp \left\{ i \int d^4x (L_0 - \frac{1}{2} H' (\partial_\mu \partial^\mu + m^2) H' + \bar{\psi}' (i \partial - m) \psi') \right\} \\ &= \exp \left( i \int d^4x L_0 \right) \int \mathcal{D}H' \int \mathcal{D}\psi' \int \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi}' \exp \left\{ i \int d^4x \left( -\frac{1}{2} H' (\partial_\mu \partial^\mu + m^2) H' \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \bar{\psi}' (i \partial - m) \psi' \right) \right\} \\ &= \exp \left( i \int d^4x L_0 \right) Z[j=0, \eta=0, \bar{\eta}=0] \end{aligned}$$

Taking a closer look at  $iS_a \equiv i \int d^4x h_{\alpha\beta}$ , one finds:

$$iS_c = i \int d^4x \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} H_{\alpha\beta} (\partial_\mu \partial^\mu + m^2) H_{\alpha\beta} + \bar{\psi}_{\alpha\beta} (i \not{\partial} - m) \psi_{\alpha\beta} + H_{\alpha\beta} j + \bar{\psi}_{\alpha\beta} \eta + \bar{\eta} \psi_{\alpha\beta} \right\}$$

Set of the cl. eqs. of motion =

$$\begin{aligned} & i \int d^4x \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} H_{\alpha\beta}^{(k)} j_{\alpha\beta}(x) + \bar{\psi}_{\alpha\beta}^{(k)} \eta_{\alpha\beta}(x) + H_{\alpha\beta}^{(k)} j_{\alpha\beta}(x) + \bar{\psi}_{\alpha\beta}^{(k)} \eta_{\alpha\beta}(x) + \bar{\eta}_{\alpha\beta}^{(k)} \psi_{\alpha\beta}^{(k)} \right\} \\ &= i \int d^4x \left\{ \frac{1}{2} H_{\alpha\beta}^{(k)} j_{\alpha\beta}(x) + \bar{\eta}_{\alpha\beta}^{(k)} \psi_{\alpha\beta}^{(k)} \right\} \\ &= - \int d^4x d^4y \left\{ \frac{1}{2} j(y) D_F(x-y) j(x) + \bar{\eta}(x) S_F(x-y) \eta(y) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

All in all, we thus get:

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{int}[j, \eta, \bar{\eta}] &= \exp \left\{ g \int d^4z \left( \frac{\delta}{\delta \eta(z)} \frac{\delta}{\delta \bar{\eta}(z)} \frac{\delta}{\delta j(z)} \right) \right\} \times Z[j=0, \eta=0, \bar{\eta}=0] \\ &\times \exp \left\{ - \int d^4x d^4y \left( \frac{1}{2} j(y) D_F(x-y) j(x) + \bar{\eta}(x) S_F(x-y) \eta(y) \right) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

We further define the generating functional:

$$\begin{aligned} W[j, \eta, \bar{\eta}] &= \frac{Z_{int}[j, \eta, \bar{\eta}]}{Z_{int}[j=0, \eta=0, \bar{\eta}=0]} \\ &= \frac{\exp \left\{ g \int d^4z \left( \frac{\delta}{\delta \eta(z)} \frac{\delta}{\delta \bar{\eta}(z)} \frac{\delta}{\delta j(z)} \right) \right\} \exp \left\{ - \int d^4x d^4y \left( \frac{1}{2} j(y) D_F(x-y) j(x) + \bar{\eta}(x) S_F(x-y) \eta(y) \right) \right\}}{\exp( \dots ) \exp( \dots ) \Big|_{j=0, \eta=0, \bar{\eta}=0}} \end{aligned}$$

Is Z or W the gen. fun.?  
depends on what you call it.

5) If we do not couple the H-field to an external source, we get,

$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_0 = -\frac{1}{2} H (\partial_\mu \partial^\mu + M^2) H + \bar{\varphi} (i \not{\partial} - m) \varphi + \bar{\varphi} \eta + \bar{\eta} \varphi$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_0 + h \eta \varphi = \mathcal{L} + \bar{\varphi} \eta + \bar{\eta} \varphi \equiv \tilde{\mathcal{L}}$$

Defining  $\hat{D}_H = \partial^2 + M^2$ ,  $\hat{D}_\varphi = i \not{\partial} - m$ ,  $\xi = g \bar{\varphi} \varphi$ , we get

$$\tilde{Z}[\eta, \bar{\eta}] = \int \mathcal{D}H \mathcal{D}\varphi \mathcal{D}\bar{\varphi} \exp \left\{ i \int d^4x \left[ -\frac{1}{2} H \hat{D}_H H + \bar{\varphi} \hat{D}_\varphi \varphi - \xi H + \bar{\varphi} \eta + \bar{\eta} \varphi \right] \right\}$$

$$= \int \mathcal{D}\varphi \mathcal{D}\bar{\varphi} \exp \left\{ i \int d^4x (\bar{\varphi} \hat{D}_\varphi \varphi + \bar{\varphi} \eta + \bar{\eta} \varphi) \right\}$$

$$\times \int \mathcal{D}H \exp \left\{ i \int d^4x \underbrace{(-\frac{1}{2} H \hat{D}_H H - \xi H)}_{= T} \right\}$$

$T = \int d^4x (-\frac{1}{2} H \hat{D}_H H - \xi H)$ , using the shorthand notation to integrate over indices appearing twice, and noticing

$$\int d^4x (-\frac{1}{2} H \hat{D}_H H) = \int d^4x d^4y (-\frac{1}{2} H_x \underbrace{[\partial^2 + M^2]_{xy}}_{(D_H)_{xy}} H_y)$$

$$\Rightarrow T = -\frac{1}{2} H_x (D_H)_{xy} H_y - \xi_x H_x$$

$$H_x \rightarrow H'_x - (D_H^{-1})_{xz} \xi_z$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} (H'_x - (D_H^{-1})_{xz} \xi_z) (D_H)_{xy} (H'_y - (D_H^{-1})_{yw} \xi_w)$$

$$- \xi_x (H'_x - (D_H^{-1})_{xu} \xi_u)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} H'_x (D_H)_{xy} H'_y + \frac{1}{2} H'_x \overbrace{(D_H)_{xy} (D_H^{-1})_{yw}}^{= \delta_{xw}} \xi_w$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{(D_H^{-1})_{xz}}_{\delta_{xz}} \xi_z (D_H)_{xy} H'_y - \frac{1}{2} (D_H^{-1})_{xz} \xi_z \underbrace{(D_H)_{xy} (D_H^{-1})_{yw}}_{= \delta_{xw}} \xi_w$$

$$- \xi_x H'_x + \xi_x (D_H^{-1})_{xu} \xi_u$$

Split the 3 integrals like this?

$$= -\frac{1}{2} H_x' (D_H)_{xy} H_y' + \frac{1}{2} H_x' \xi_x + \frac{1}{2} \xi_y H_y' - \frac{1}{2} (D_H^{-1})_{xz} \xi_z \xi_x - \xi_x H_x' + \xi_x (D_H^{-1})_{xu} \xi_u$$

rename vars  $\downarrow$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} H_x' (D_H)_{xy} H_y' - \frac{1}{2} \xi_x (D_H^{-1})_{xz} \xi_z + \xi_x (D_H^{-1})_{xu} \xi_u$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} H_x' (D_H)_{xy} H_y' + \frac{1}{2} \xi_x (D_H^{-1})_{xz} \xi_z$$

c)  $\text{limit} = \frac{ig^2}{2} \int d^4y \bar{\psi}(x) \psi(x) \overset{\text{Green's fct. of } D_F(\cong D_F^{-1})}{D_F(x-y)} \bar{\psi}(y) \psi(y)$

$$D_F(x-y) = \int \frac{d^4p}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{i}{p^2 - M^2} e^{-ip(x-y)}$$

$$= i \int \frac{d^4p}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1/M^2}{p^2/M^2 - 1} e^{-ip(x-y)}$$

$$= i \int \frac{d^4p}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{M^2} (-1 - \mathcal{O}(\frac{p^2}{M^2})) e^{-ip(x-y)}$$

$$= -\frac{i}{M^2} \int \frac{d^4p}{(2\pi)^4} e^{-ip(x-y)} (1 + \mathcal{O}(\frac{p^2}{M^2}))$$

$$= -\frac{i}{M^2} \delta^{(4)}(x-y) + \mathcal{O}(\frac{p^2}{M^2})$$

$$\rightarrow \text{limit} = \frac{g^2}{2M^2} (\bar{\psi}(x) \psi(x)) (\bar{\psi}(x) \psi(x))$$

Why cutoff if  $p^2 \ll M^2$ ? Or how to set  $p^2 \ll M^2$  if integrating over it?

What does it physically mean that it's local?  $\rightarrow$  non-local as we have a propagator connecting 2 spacetime points  $\rightarrow$  local why interaction at same spacetime. Usually the prop. is also an interaction between 2 spacetime points, but it's not in an integral  $d^4y$  and appearing in the vertex.

