

Introduction to Quantum Field Theory

Problem sheet 10

Deadline: Wednesday 03 February 2016 (12 am)
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Topics covered: Perturbation theory, Dirac propagator.

1. (6 P) Show that the propagator in $(1 + 1)$ dimensions

$$\Delta_F(x) = \int \frac{d^2k}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{e^{-ikx}}{k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}$$

is, for space-like x (set $x^0 = 0$), given by:

$$\Delta_F(x) = -\frac{i}{2\pi} K_0(m|x|),$$

where $K_n(y)$ is the modified Bessel function of second kind. What is the behaviour for large x ?

2. (3 P) In the φ^4 theory with a real scalar field the amputated 4-point function is defined by

$$\tilde{G}_A^{(4)}(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4) = \left[\tilde{G}^{(2)}(p_1) \tilde{G}^{(2)}(p_2) \tilde{G}^{(2)}(p_3) \tilde{G}^{(2)}(p_4) \right]^{-1} \tilde{G}_c^{(4)}(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4).$$

(We neglect factors of Z_3 here.) A renormalised coupling can be defined through

$$g_R = i\tilde{G}_A^{(4)}(0, 0, 0, 0).$$

Calculate g_R to lowest order in perturbation theory.

3. (2 P) Show that

$$S_F(x) = (i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu + m)\Delta_F(x)$$

is Green's function to the Dirac operator $i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m$.