

Renormalization and Renormalization Group

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Exercises 1 and 2 (27.10.00 and 3.11.00)

Lets define 1- and 2-point scalar, vector and tensor integrals as:

$$\mu^{4-d} \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{1}{k^2 - m^2} = \frac{-i}{(4\pi)^2} A_0(m^2) \quad (1)$$

$$\mu^{4-d} \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{1}{[k^2 - m_1^2][(p+k)^2 - m_2^2]} = \frac{i}{(4\pi)^2} B_0(p^2, m_1^2, m_2^2) \quad (2)$$

$$\mu^{4-d} \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{k^\alpha}{[k^2 - m_1^2][(p+k)^2 - m_2^2]} = \frac{i}{(4\pi)^2} p^\alpha B_1(p^2, m_1^2, m_2^2) \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu^{4-d} \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{k^\alpha k^\beta}{[k^2 - m_1^2][(p+k)^2 - m_2^2]} &= \frac{i}{(4\pi)^2} (p^\alpha p^\beta B_{21}(p^2, m_1^2, m_2^2) \\ &+ g^{\alpha\beta} B_{22}(p^2, m_1^2, m_2^2)) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Problem 1. Show that

$$A_0(m^2) = -m^2 \left(\Delta - \log \frac{m^2}{\mu^2} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon) \right) \quad (5)$$

where $\Delta = \frac{1}{\epsilon} - \gamma + \log 4\pi$, $\epsilon = \frac{4-d}{2}$ and $\gamma = 0.5772\dots$ is the Euler constant.

Problem 2. Show that

$$B_0(p^2, m_1^2, m_2^2) = \Delta - \int_0^1 \log f(x) dx + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon) \quad (6)$$

where $f(x) = m_1^2 x + m_2^2(1-x) - p^2 x(1-x)$

Problem 3. Show that

$$B_1(p^2, m_1^2, m_2^2) = \frac{A_0(m_2^2) - A_0(m_1^2) + (m_2^2 - m_1^2 - p^2) B_0(p^2, m_1^2, m_2^2)}{2p^2} \quad (7)$$

Problem 4. Find Feynman representation (i.e. in the form of 1-dimensional integral) for B_{21}, B_{22} .

Problem 5. Find divergent parts (i.e. coefficients of Δ term) of A, B integrals.

Problem 6. Prove the "generalized Feynman integral" formulae:

$$\begin{aligned} F_n &= \frac{1}{A_1^{\alpha_1} A_2^{\alpha_2} \dots A_n^{\alpha_n}} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_n)}{\Gamma(\alpha_1) \dots \Gamma(\alpha_n)} \int_0^1 dx_1 \dots \int_0^1 dx_n \frac{x_1^{\alpha_1-1} \dots x_n^{\alpha_n-1} \delta(1-x_1-\dots-x_n)}{(x_1 A_1 + \dots + x_n A_n)^{\alpha_1+\dots+\alpha_n}} \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

Hint:

i) Calculate directly F_2 . Show that

$$F_2 = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)}{\Gamma(\alpha_1) \Gamma(\alpha_2)} \int_0^1 dx \frac{x^{\alpha_1-1} (1-x)^{\alpha_2-1}}{(x A_1 + (1-x) A_2)^{\alpha_1+\alpha_2}} \quad (9)$$

and use the Möbius transform $x = y/(1+y)$ and definition of the Euler Beta function to get the explicit expression for F_2 .

ii) Prove eq. (8) by complete induction (use $\delta(ax) = \delta(x)/|a|$).

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Exercise 3 (10.11.00)

Lets define 3-point scalar, vector and tensor integrals as ($C_{ij} \equiv C_{ij}(p, q, m_1^2, m_2^2, m_3^2)$):

$$\begin{aligned}\mu^{4-d} \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{1}{[k^2 - m_1^2][(p+k)^2 - m_2^2][(p+q+k)^2 - m_3^2]} &= \frac{-i}{(4\pi)^2} C_0 \\ \mu^{4-d} \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{k^\alpha}{[k^2 - m_1^2][(p+k)^2 - m_2^2][(p+q+k)^2 - m_3^2]} &= \frac{-i}{(4\pi)^2} (p^\alpha C_{11} + q^\alpha C_{12}) \\ \mu^{4-d} \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{k^\alpha k^\beta}{[k^2 - m_1^2][(p+k)^2 - m_2^2][(p+q+k)^2 - m_3^2]} &= \frac{-i}{(4\pi)^2} (p^\alpha p^\beta C_{21} + q^\alpha q^\beta C_{22} \\ &+ (p^\alpha q^\beta + q^\alpha p^\beta) C_{21} + g^{\alpha\beta} C_{24})\end{aligned}$$

Problem 1. Find Feynman representation of C functions (i.e. perform the momentum integration leaving the result in the form of 2-dimensional integral over the auxiliary parameters).

Problem 2. Find the divergent parts of C functions.

Problem 3. Calculate explicit form of the C_0 function for the special case $m_1 = m_3 = 0, m_2 = M, p^2 = q^2 = 0, (p+q)^2 = s$ (such an integral appears e.g. in calculations of the 1-loop corrections to $Z^0 \bar{f} f$ vertex). Express the result in terms of *dilogarithm* function:

$$\text{Li}_2(z) \equiv \int_0^1 \frac{\log(1+zx)}{x} dx \quad (1)$$

Some useful identities:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Li}_2(-1) &= \frac{\pi^2}{6} \\ \text{Li}_2(-1-z) + \text{Li}_2(z) &= -\frac{\pi^2}{6} + \log(-z) \log(1+z)\end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Problem 4 Prove the Gordon identity:

$$\bar{u}(p_2) \gamma_\mu u(p_1) = \frac{1}{2m} \bar{u}(p_2) [(p_1 + p_2)_\mu + i \sigma_{\mu\nu} (p_2 - p_1)^\nu] u(p_1) \quad (3)$$

where $\sigma_{\mu\nu} = \frac{i}{2} [\gamma_\mu, \gamma_\nu]$.

Hint: start from the identity, given simply by the Dirac equation and valid for any vector a :

$$\bar{u}(p_2) [\not{a} (\not{p}_1 - m) + (\not{p}_2 - m) \not{a}] u(p_1) = 0 \quad (4)$$

Find Gordon identity for $\bar{u}(p_2) \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 u(p_1)$

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Exercise 4 (16.11.00)

Problem 1. Consider Lie algebra of $SU(N)$ group with $N^2 - 1$ generators T^a fulfilling the relation $[T^a, T^b] = if^{abc}T^c$. The generators are normalized by the condition $\text{Tr}(T^a T^b) = \delta^{ab}$.
i) Prove that in the fundamental (N -dimensional) representation matrices T^a fulfill the relation:

$$T_{ij}^a T_{kl}^a = \frac{1}{2} \left[\delta_{il} \delta_{jk} - \frac{1}{N} \delta_{ij} \delta_{kl} \right] \quad (1)$$

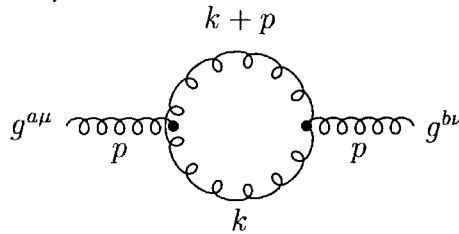
(hint: every $N \times N$ matrix can be written in the form $A = c_0 \hat{1} + c_a T^a$).

ii) Prove that (the Jacobi identity):

$$f^{abe} f^{cde} + f^{cbe} f^{dae} + f^{dbe} f^{ace} = 0 \quad (2)$$

iii) Use i) and ii) to calculate $\text{Tr}(T^a T^b T^c)$, $\text{Tr}(T^a T^b T^c T^d)$, $T^a T^a$, $T^a T^b T^a$, $T^a T^b T^c T^a$, $f^{abc} f^{bcd}$.

Problem 2. Calculate the 1-loop correction to the gluon propagator given by the gluon self-interaction diagram:



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Exercise 5 (23.11.00)

Please consider in details the renormalization of $\lambda\phi^4$ theory with spontaneously broken symmetry:

$$L = \frac{1}{2}\partial_\mu\phi\partial^\mu\phi - \frac{1}{2}m^2\phi^2 - \frac{1}{4!}\lambda\phi^4 \quad (1)$$

where $m^2 < 0$.

1. Calculate the vacuum expectation value $v \equiv \langle \phi \rangle$ of the ϕ field and express the Lagrangian in terms of the shifted field $\phi' = \phi - \langle \phi \rangle$ (keep v explicitly in the Lagrangian, do not express it by m^2 and λ).
2. Define the renormalized quantities:

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_R &= Z_\phi^{-1/2}\phi_0 \\ \lambda_R &= Z_\lambda^{-1}Z_\phi^2\lambda_0 \\ v_R &= Z_\phi^{-1/2}v_0 - \delta v_0 \\ m_R^2 &= Z_\phi m_0^2 - \delta m_0^2\end{aligned}$$

Express Lagrangian in terms of renormalized quantities. Expand renormalization constants and find all counterterms.

3. Fix δv_0 imposing the condition that terms linear in ϕ must disappear from the Lagrangian in all orders of perturbation expansion (find explicit expression for δv_0 at 1-loop level).
4. Find 1-loop expressions for other renormalization constants in \overline{MS} and on-shell renormalization schemes (the latter is defined by the conditions the physical renormalized m_R^2 and λ_R are equal to the tree level ones and by the additional requirement that the residuum of the scalar propagator is equal to 1).

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Exercises on “Renormalization Group Methods” (advanced group)

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1. General introduction on regularization and renormalization procedures.
 - Derivation of Renormalization Group Equations.
 - Expressing β functions and anomalous dimensions in terms of the first order poles of renormalization constants.
2. Detailed derivation of the RG equations for the scalar $\lambda\phi^4$ theory.
 - Renormalized Lagrangian.
 - Infinite parts of the 2- and 4-point Green's functions at 1-loop.
 - Renormalization constants.
 - β function and anomalous dimensions.
 - Some discussion of higher orders.
3. Derivation of β function in QED.
4. Solving the RGE:
 - General expressions for the Green's functions.
 - Momentum scaling.
 - IR/UV fixed points, asymptotic freedom, Landau pole, dimensional transmutation.
 - Stability of the fixed points - dependence on the choice of the renormalization scheme and/or choice of the gauge. Proof of the gauge independence of β function in MS scheme.
 - Perturbative solution for the running coupling.
 - $\alpha_s(M_Z)$ as a function of $\alpha_{em}(M_Z)$ and $\sin^2\theta_W$ in SM and MSSM.
5. Introduction to Operator Product Expansion and RG for composite operators. Practical application: derive and solve RG equations for Wilson coefficients in the effective Hamiltonian describing $\Delta F = 2$ transitions ($\bar{K}^0 K^0$, $\bar{B}_d B_d$, $\bar{B}_s B_s$ mixing) in the Standard Model.
6. (optional, if time permits) Introduction to breaking of scale invariance and RG applications in this case (Bjorken scaling, deep inelastic scattering etc.)