

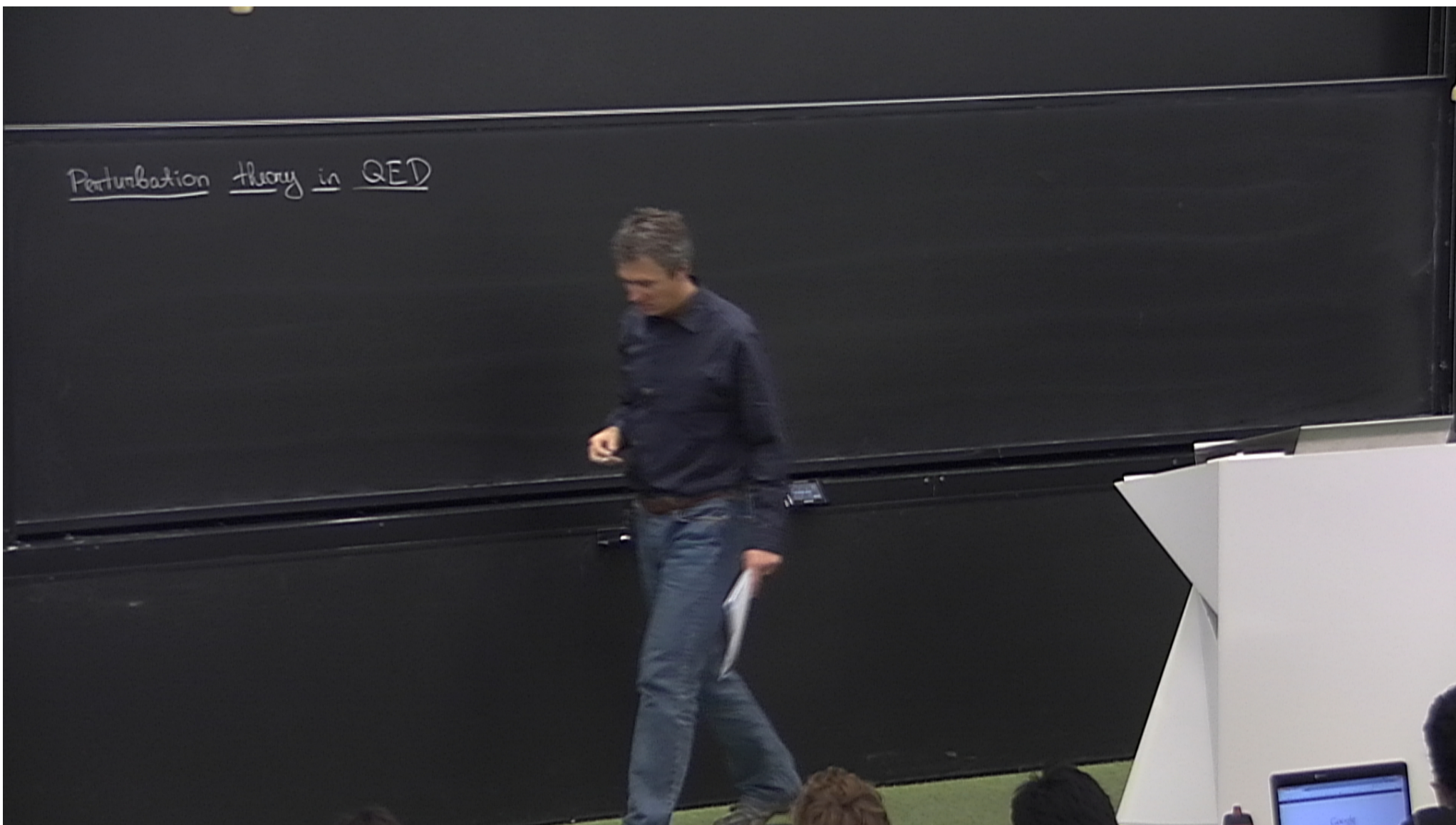
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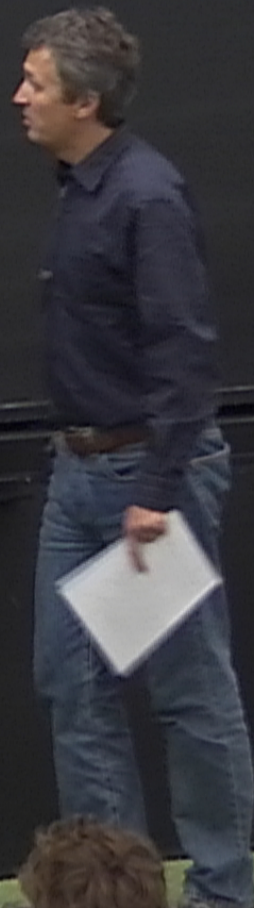
Abstract:

Perturbation theory in QED



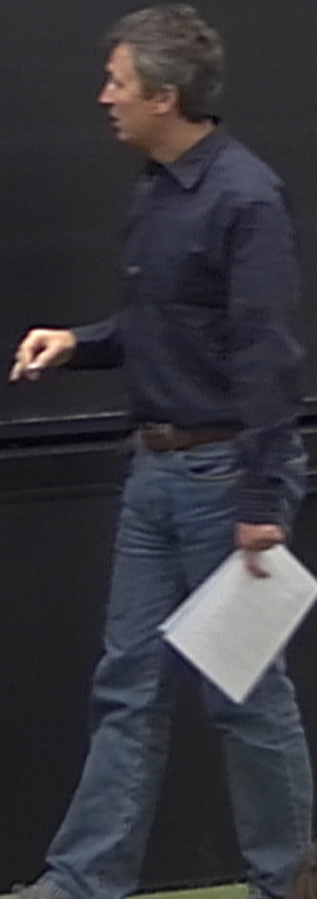
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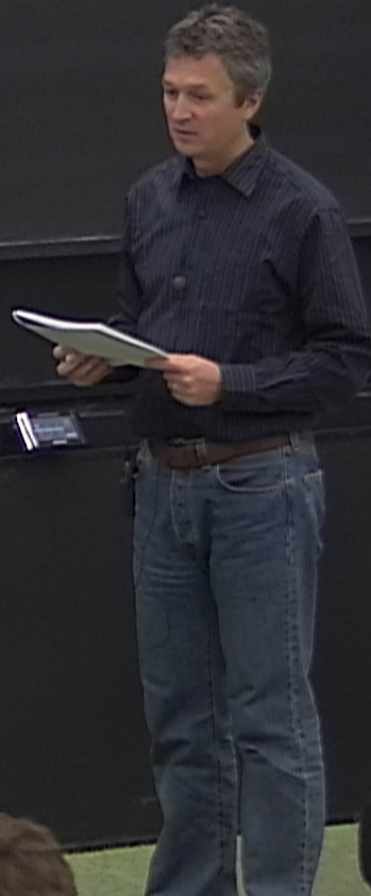
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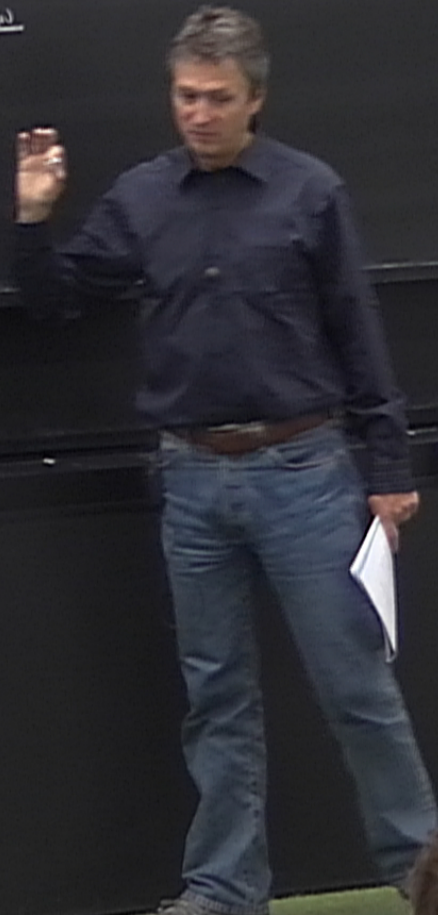
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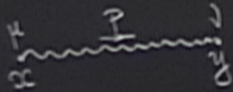
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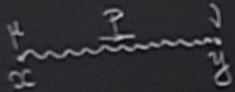


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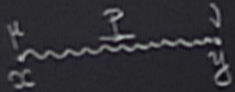
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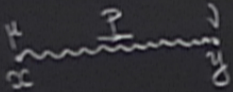
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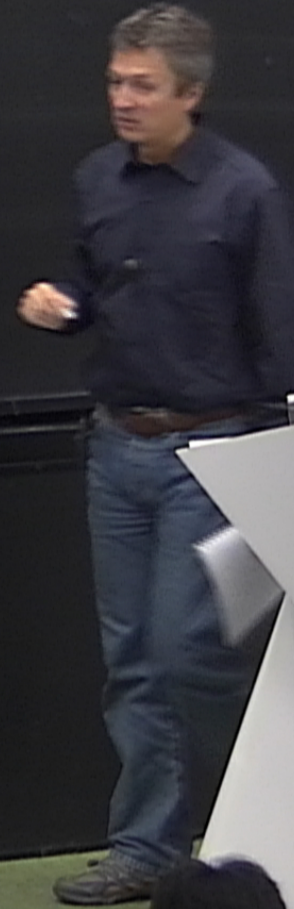
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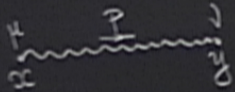


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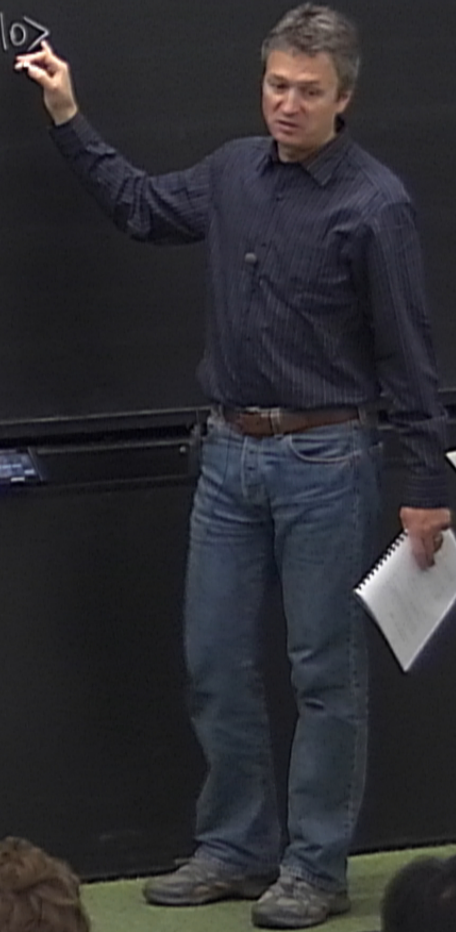
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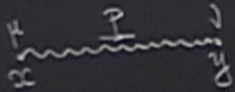


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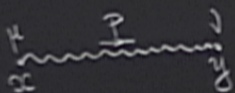
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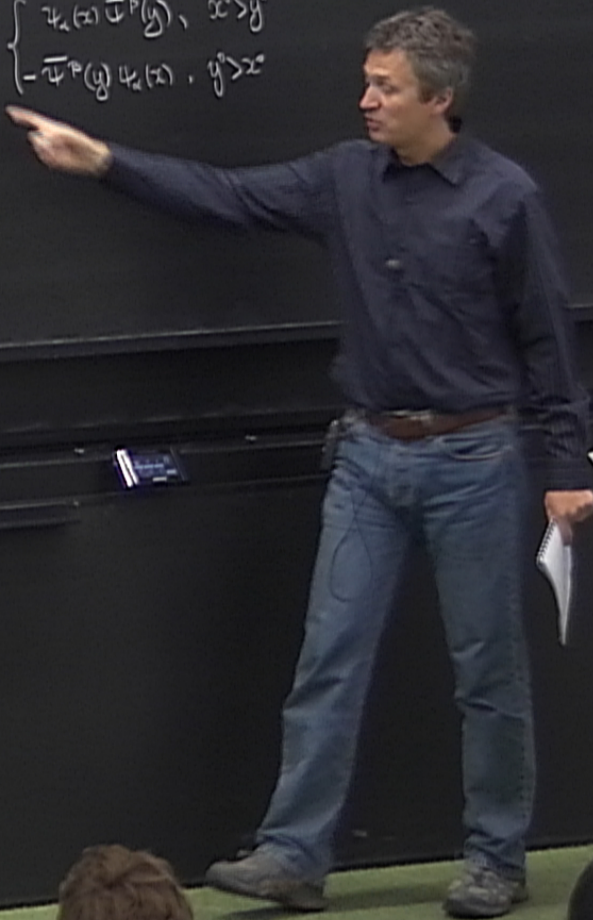
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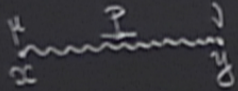


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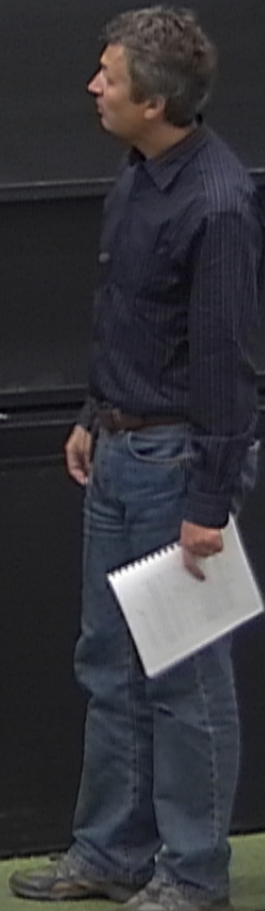
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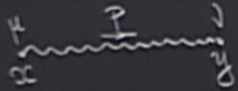


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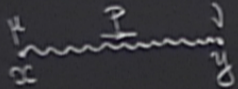


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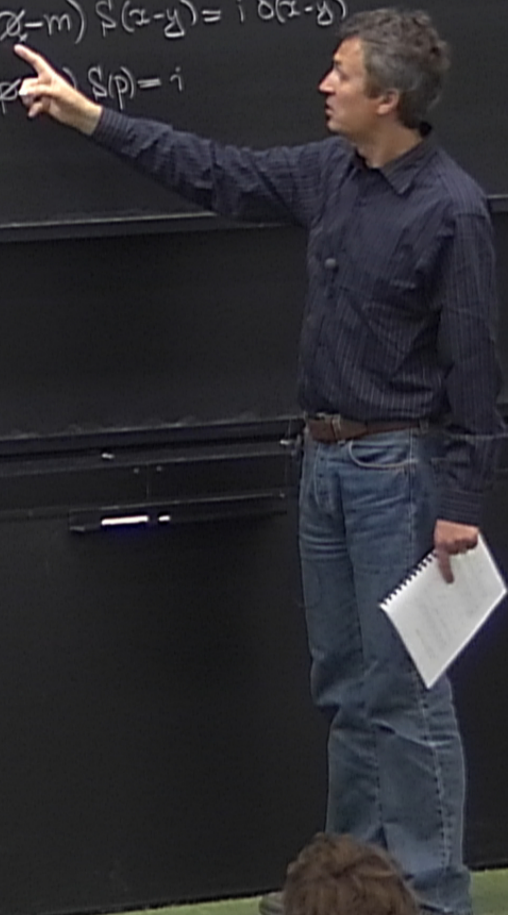


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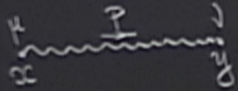


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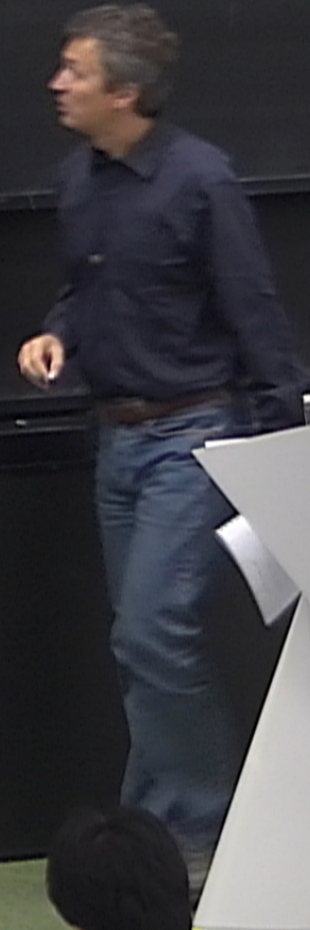
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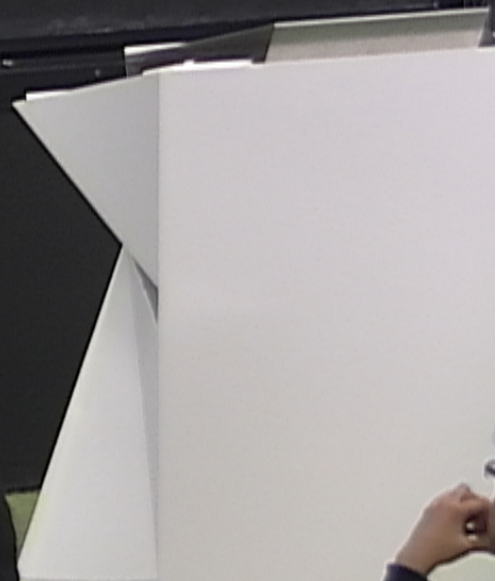
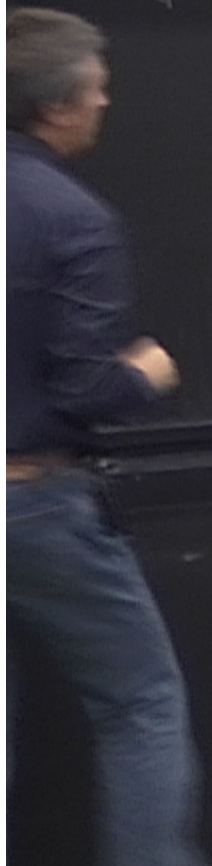




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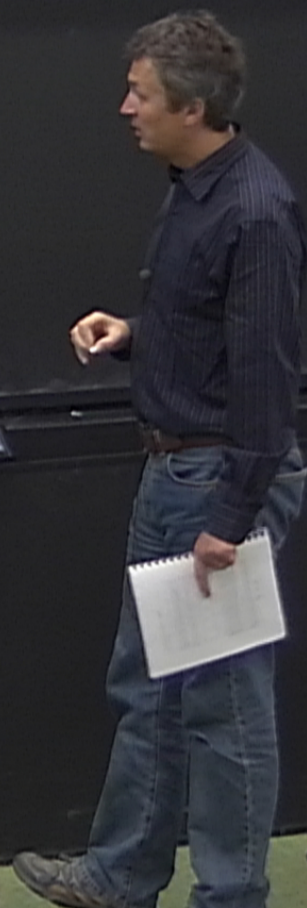


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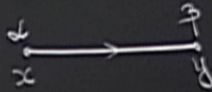
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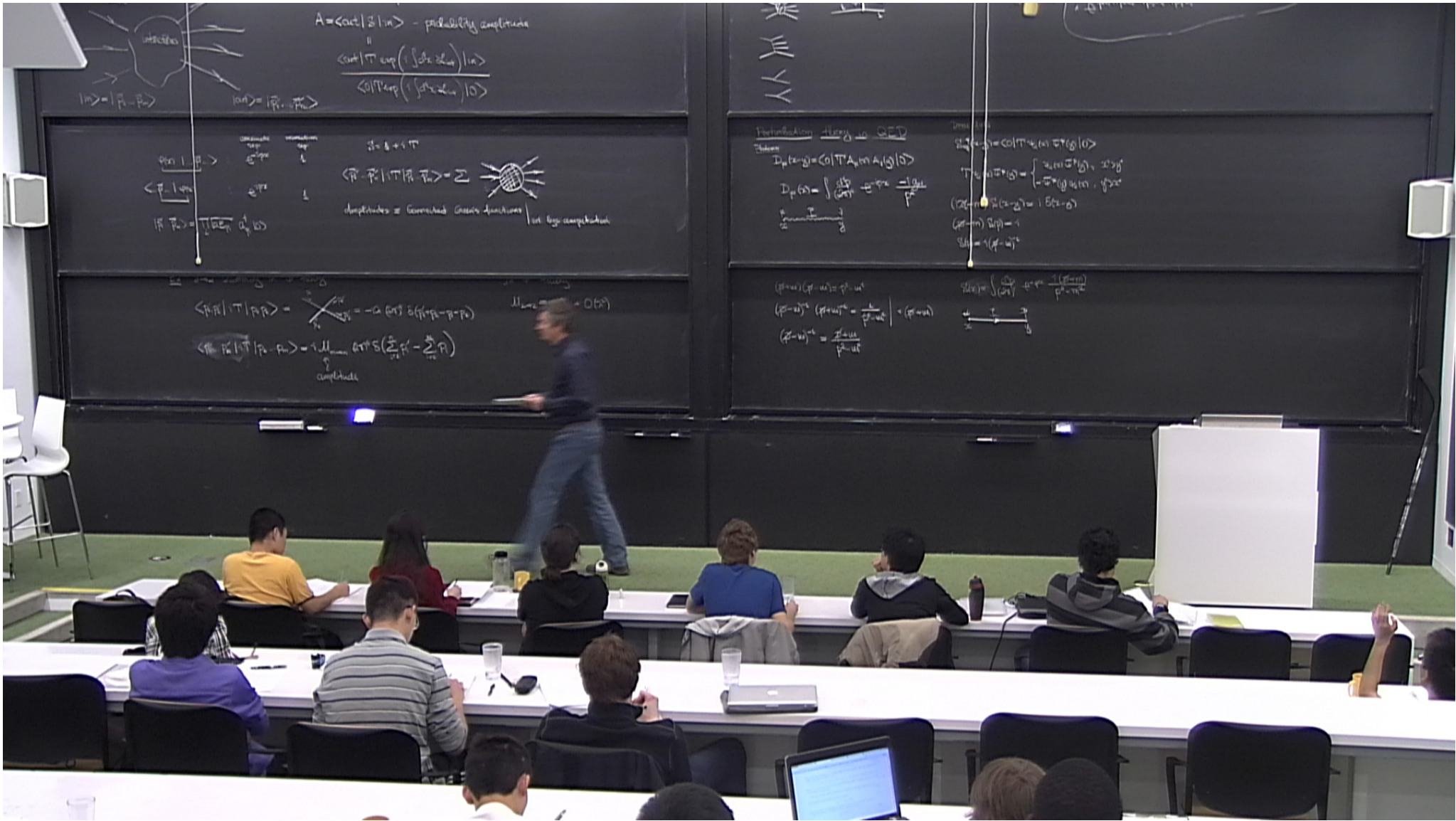
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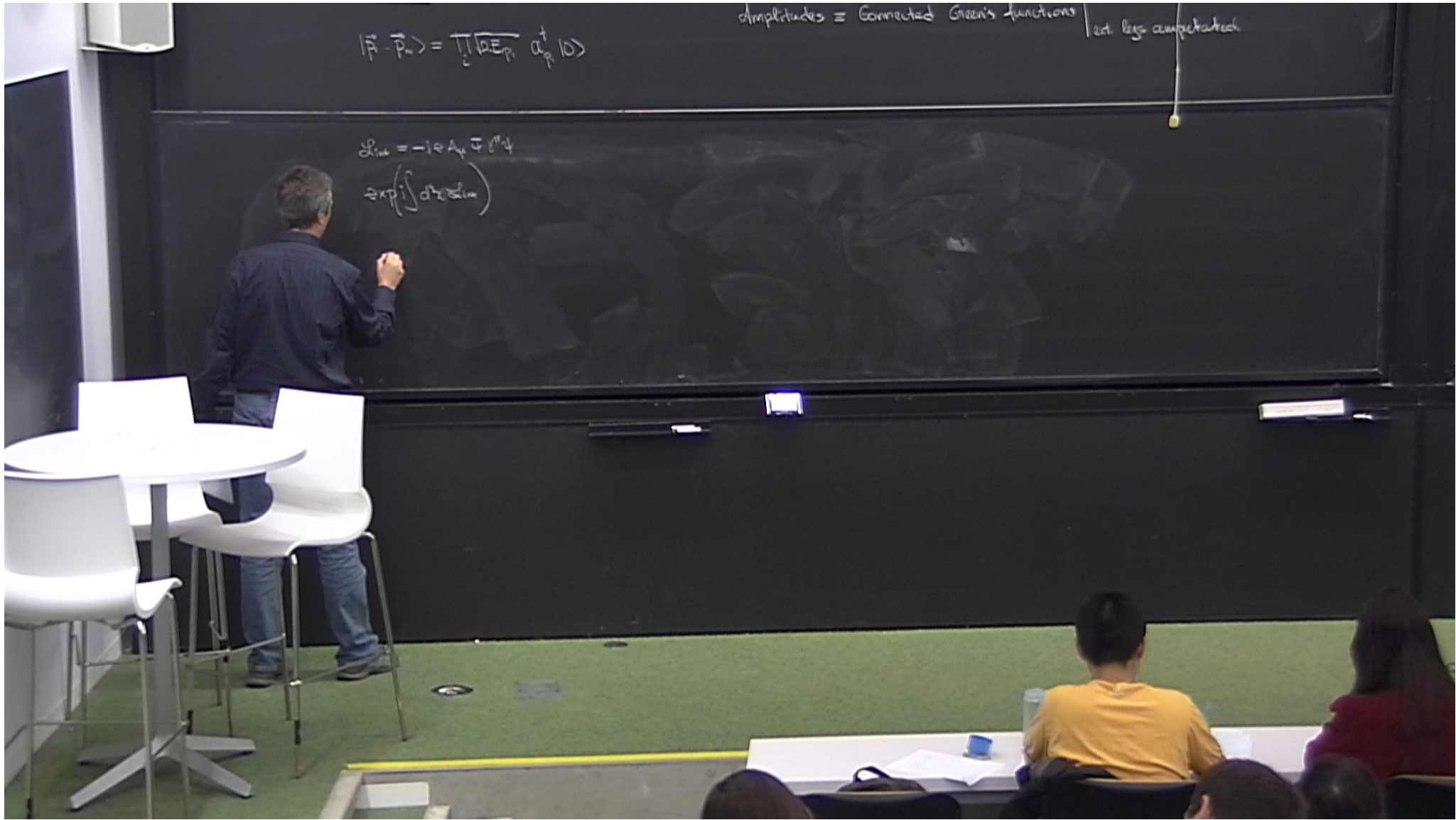
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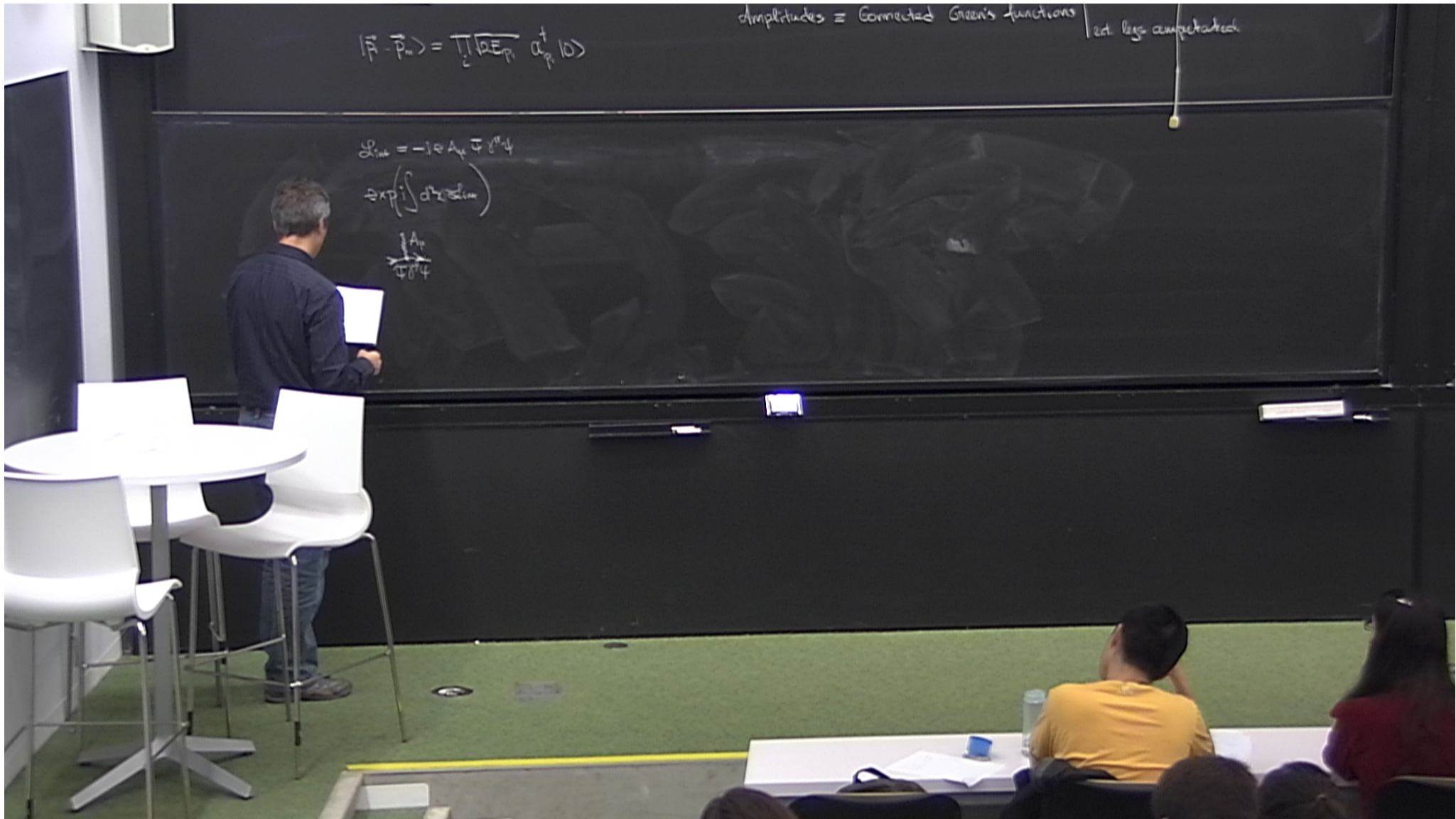
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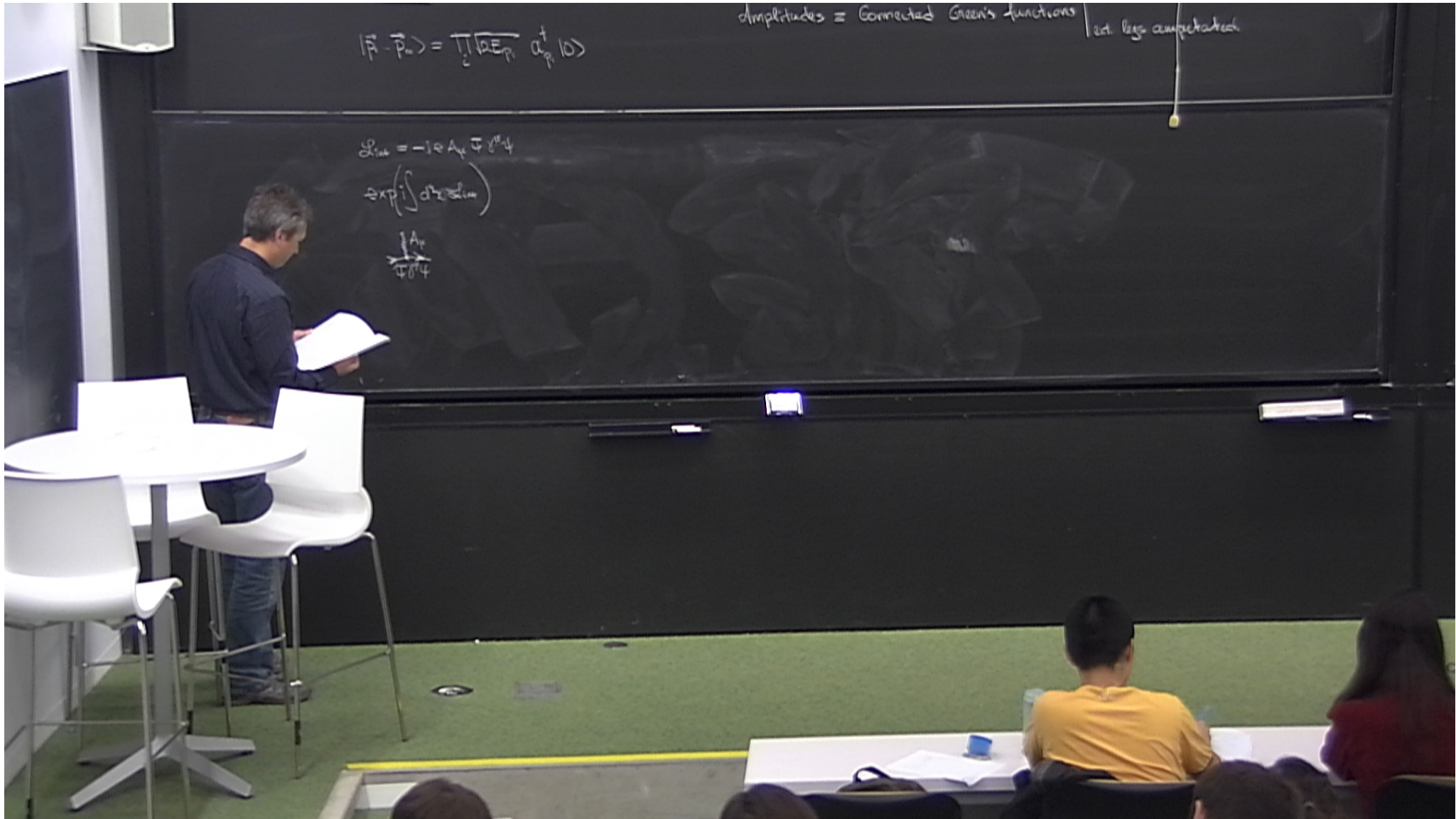








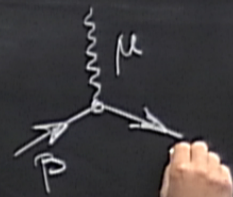




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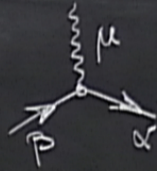
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$\Rightarrow$  wavy line  $\mu$

$$-i \gamma^\mu$$

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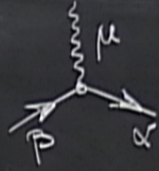
$$-i \gamma^\mu \not{p}$$

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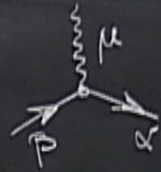


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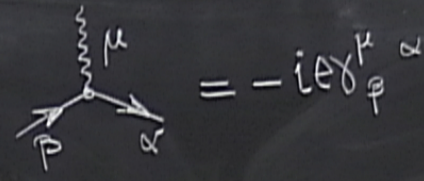
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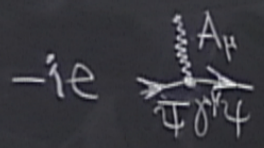
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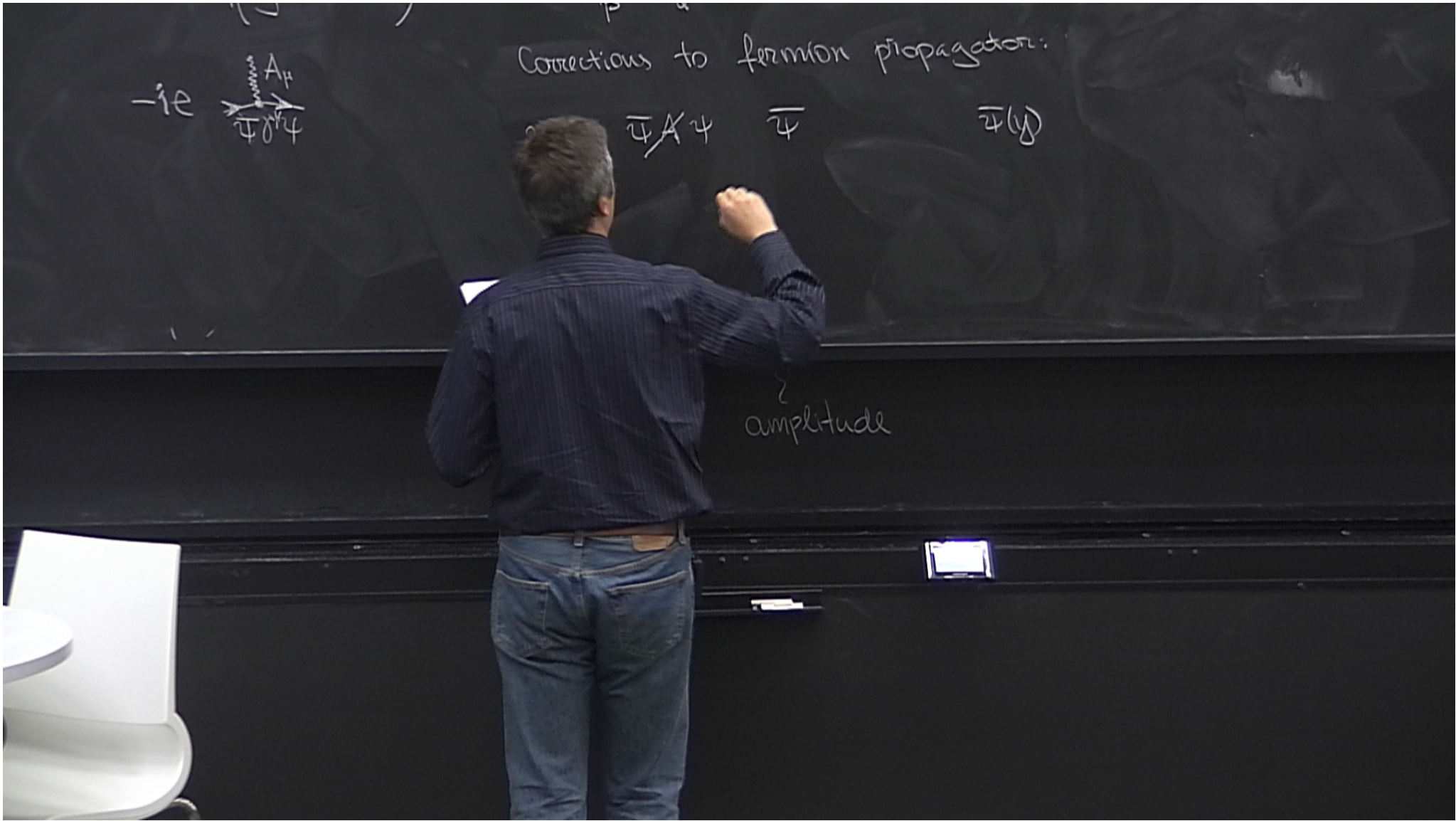


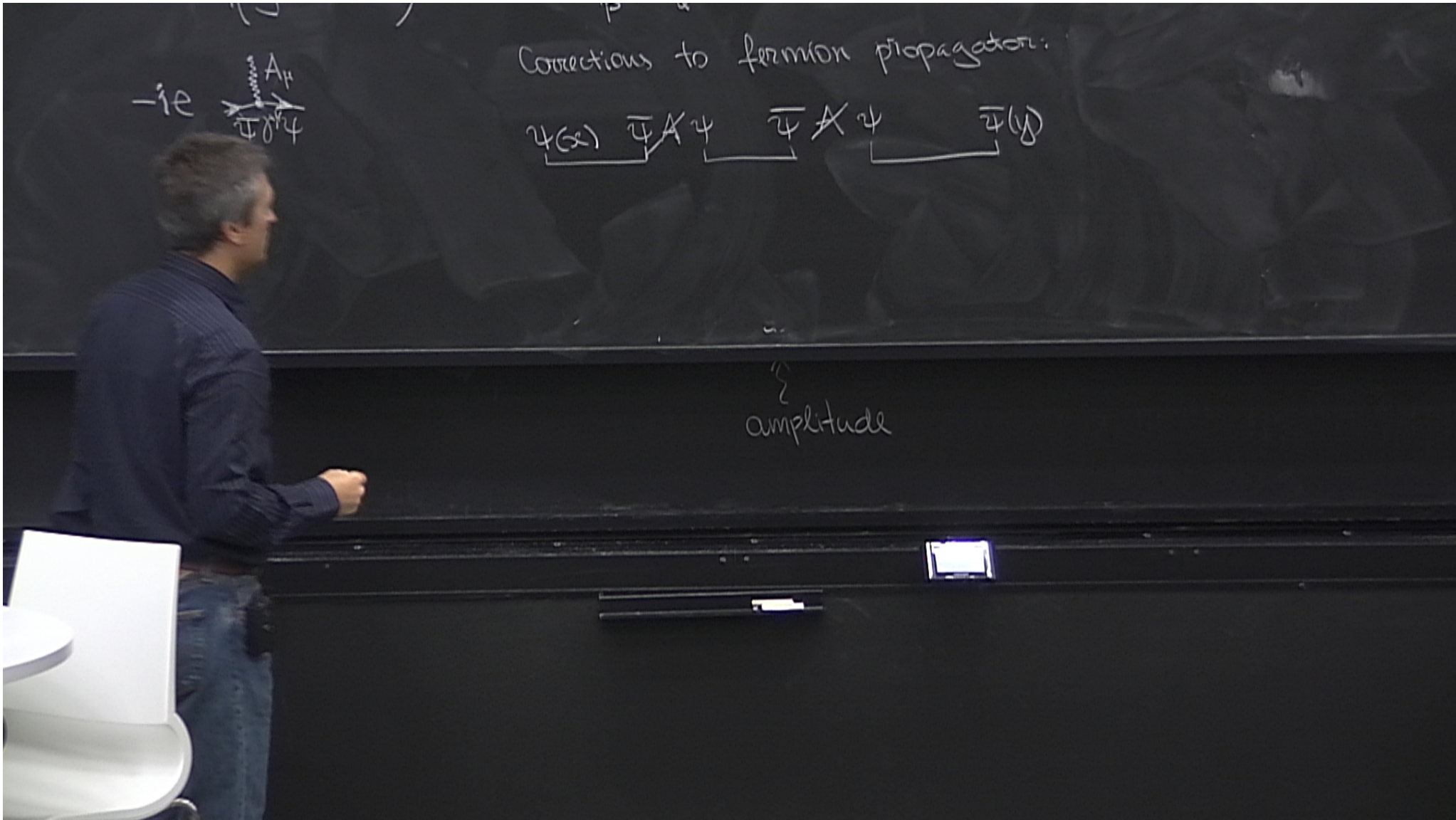
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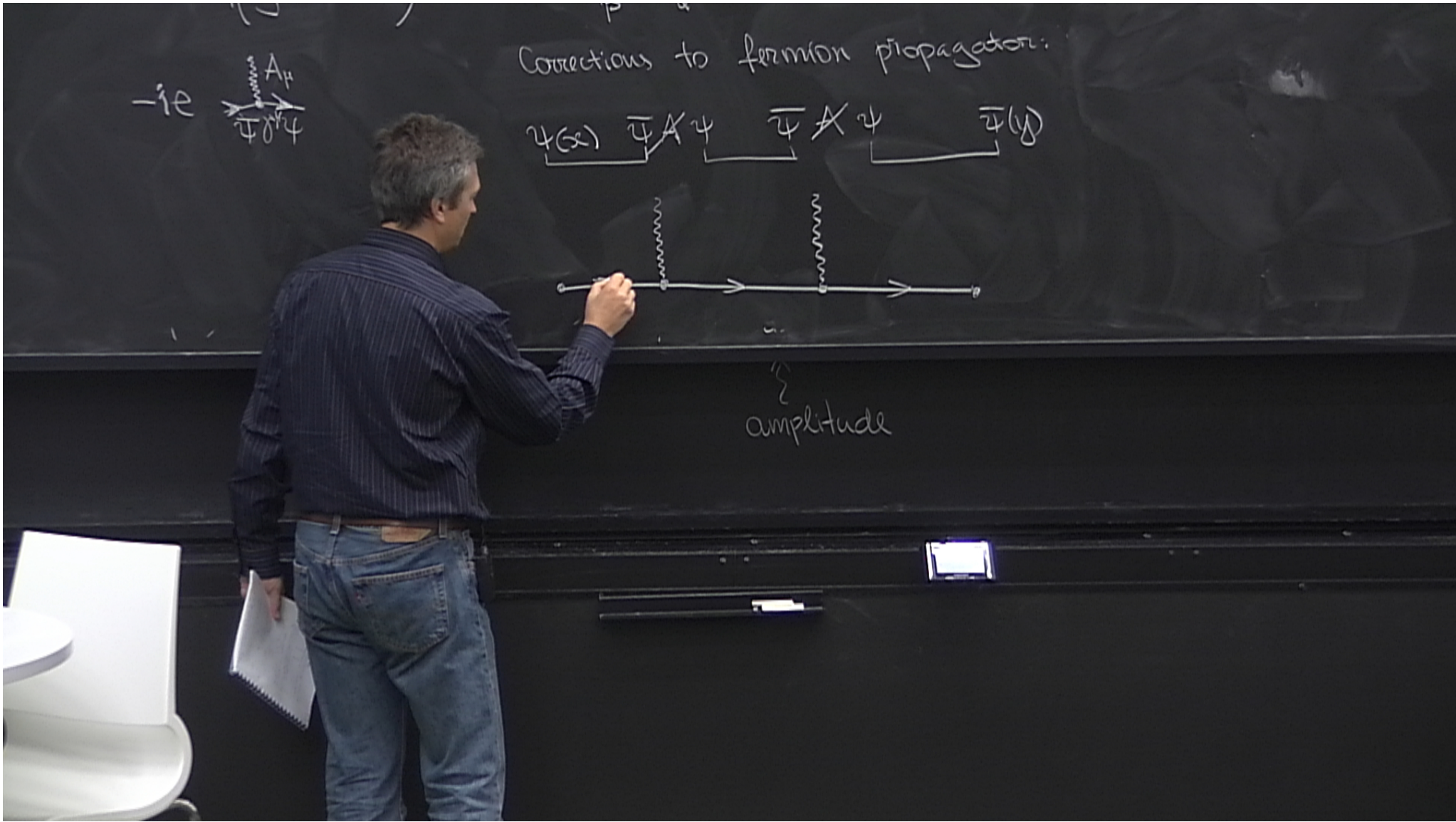
coupling to fermion propagator:



$$-ie$$



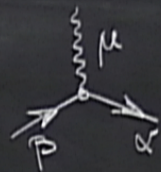




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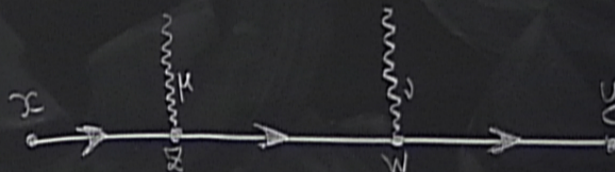
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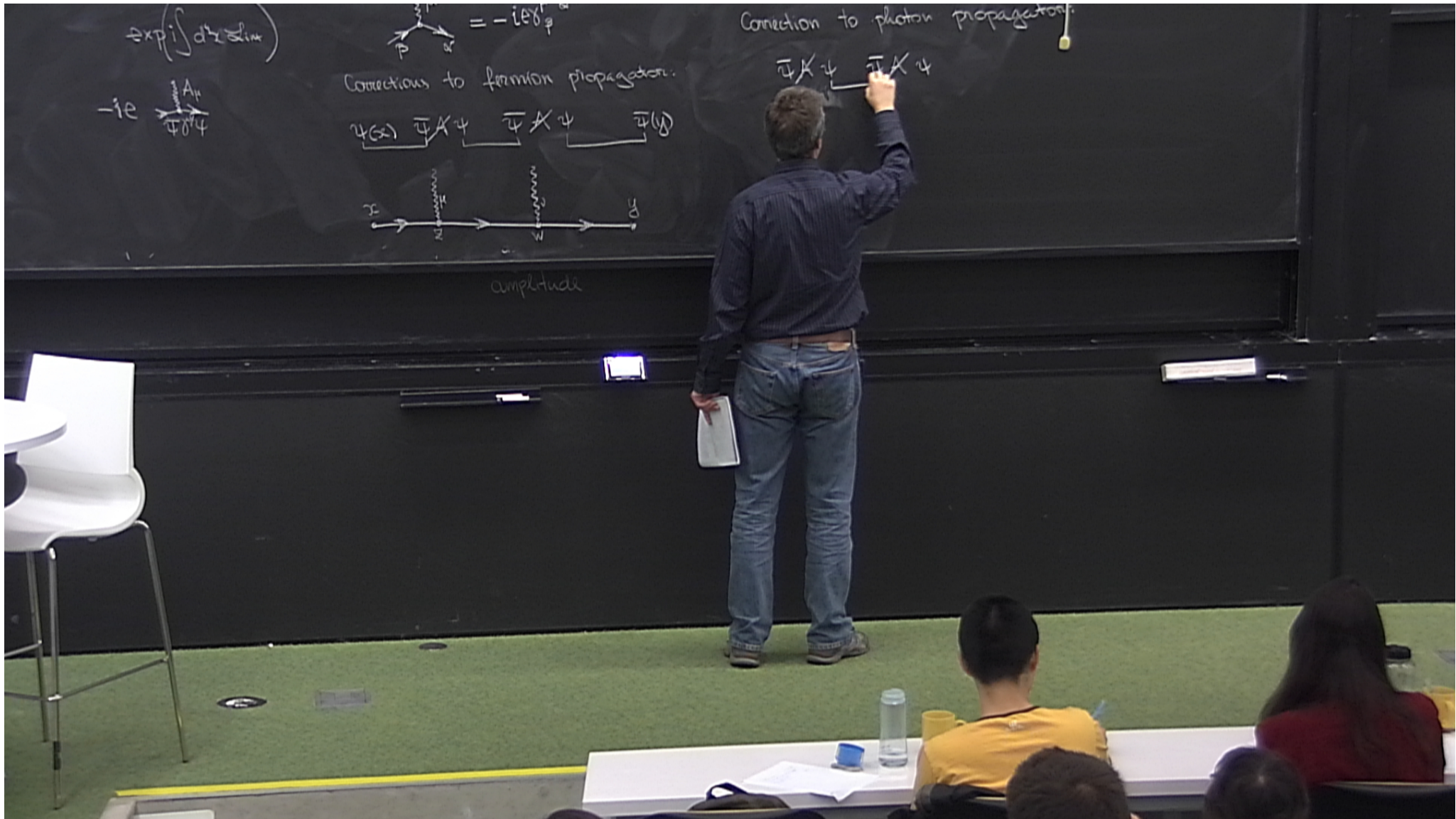
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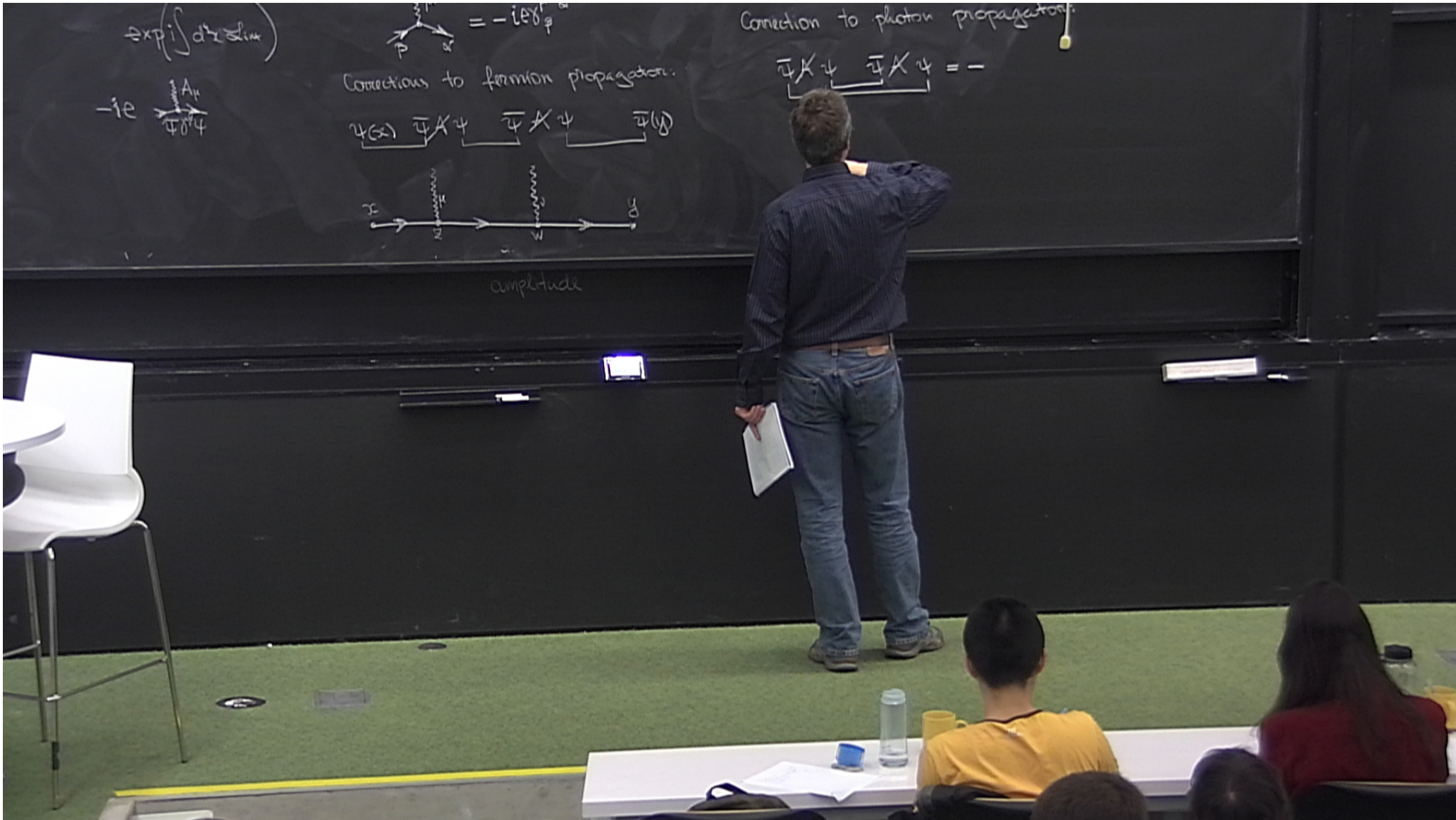
$$\psi(x) \quad \bar{\psi} \not{A} \psi \quad \bar{\psi} \not{A} \psi \quad \bar{\psi}(y)$$



$S(x-y)$







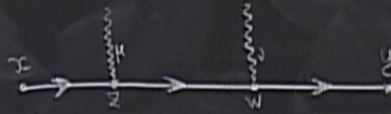
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Corrections to fermion propagation.

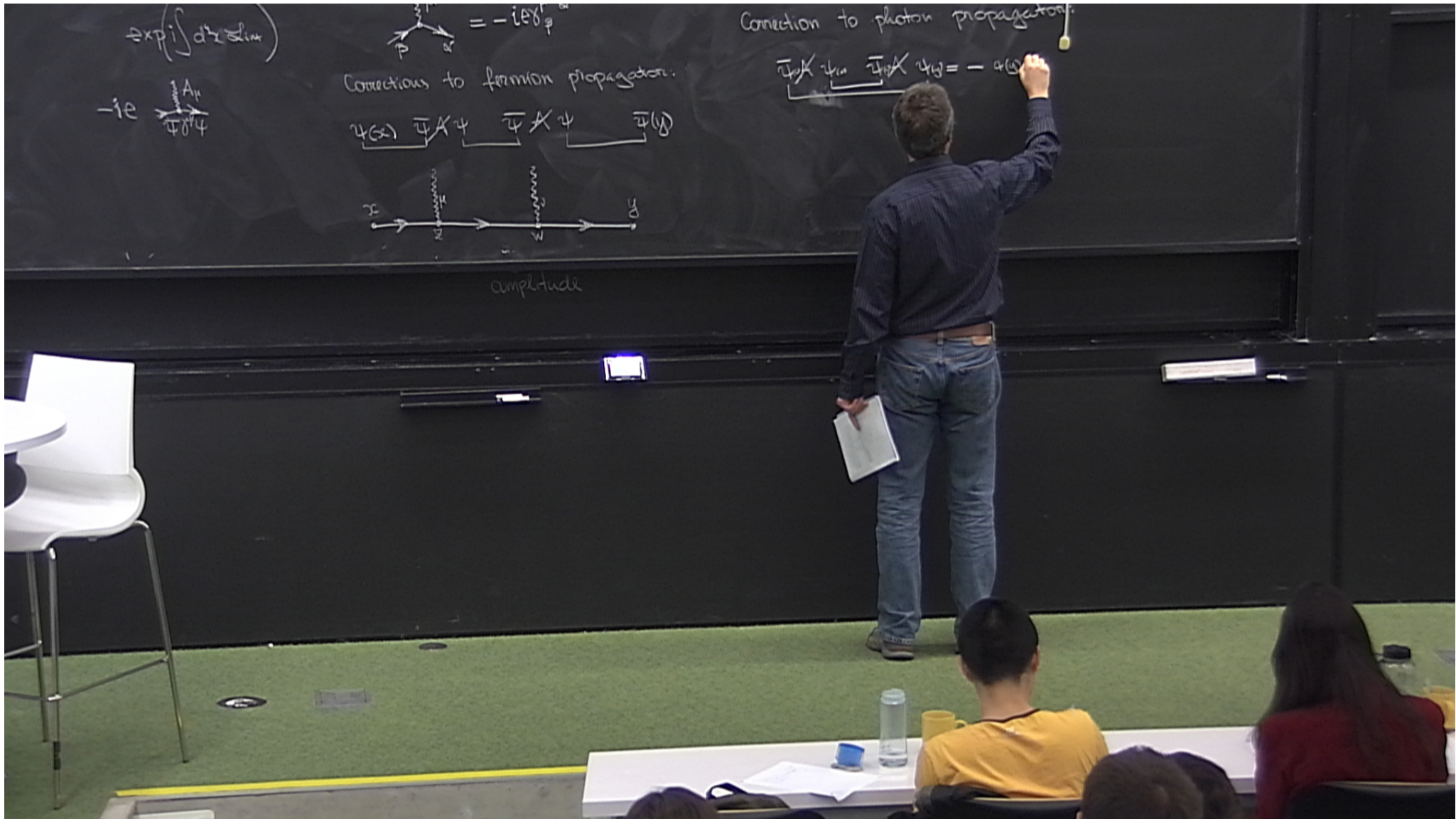
$$\psi(x) \bar{\psi}(y) \bar{\psi}(z) \psi(w)$$



amplitude

Connection to photon propagator.

$$\bar{\psi}(x) \psi(y) \bar{\psi}(z) \psi(w) = -$$

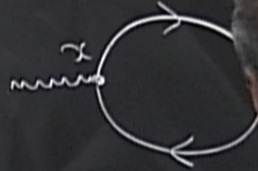




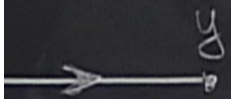
Connection to photon propagator:

$$\overline{\psi}(x) \not{A}(x) \psi(x) = - \underbrace{\overline{\psi}(x)} \not{A}(x) \underbrace{\psi(x)}$$

propagator:



$$= \frac{1}{i} \int d^4x$$



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External legs

$$A_\mu(\omega) |\vec{k}, \tau\rangle$$

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$$A_\mu(\infty) |\vec{k}, \eta\rangle = \epsilon^\mu$$

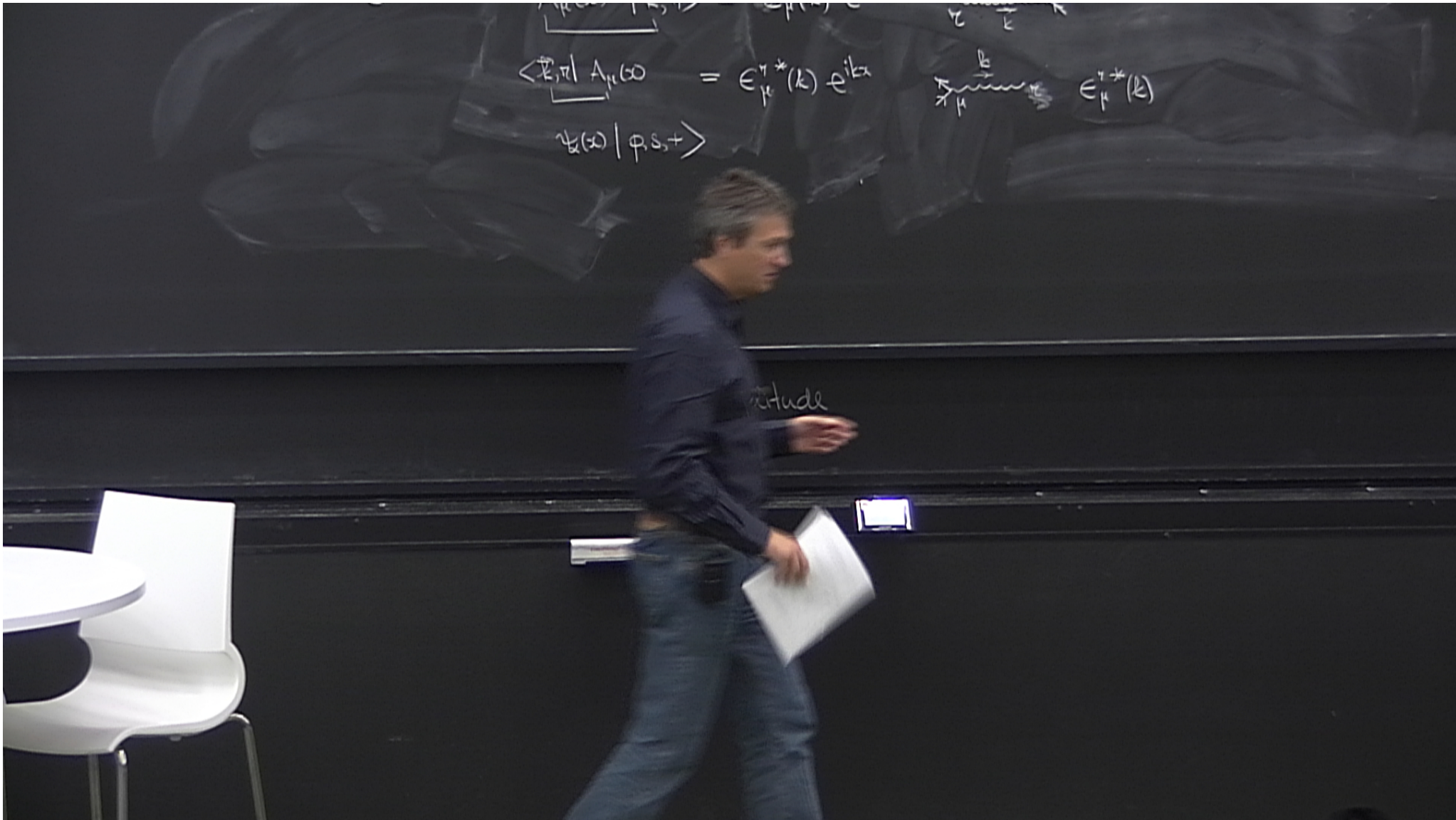
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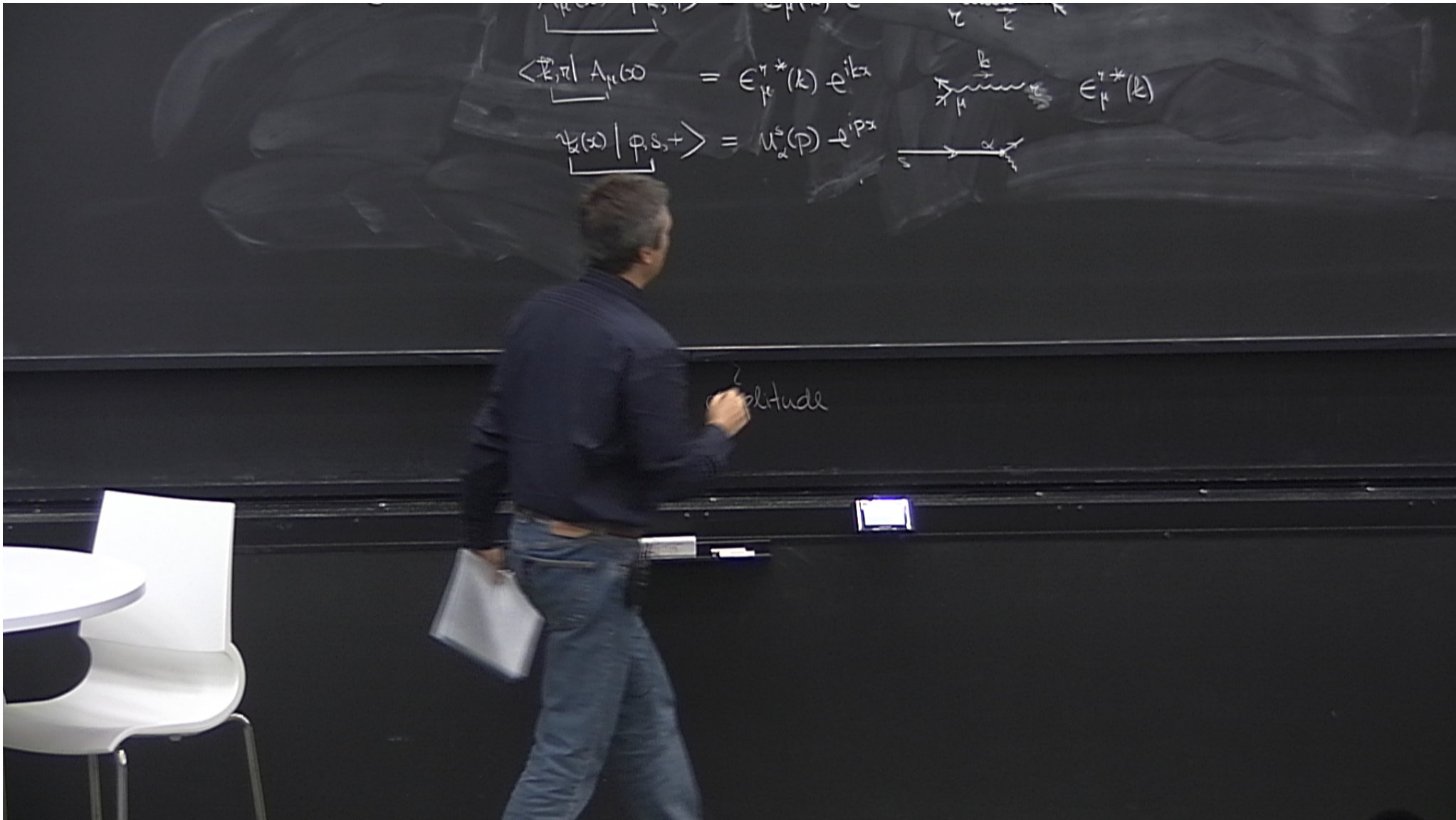
$$A_{\mu}(\infty) |\vec{k}, \tau\rangle = \epsilon_{\mu}^{\tau}(k) e^{-ikx} \epsilon_{\mu}^{\tau}(k)$$

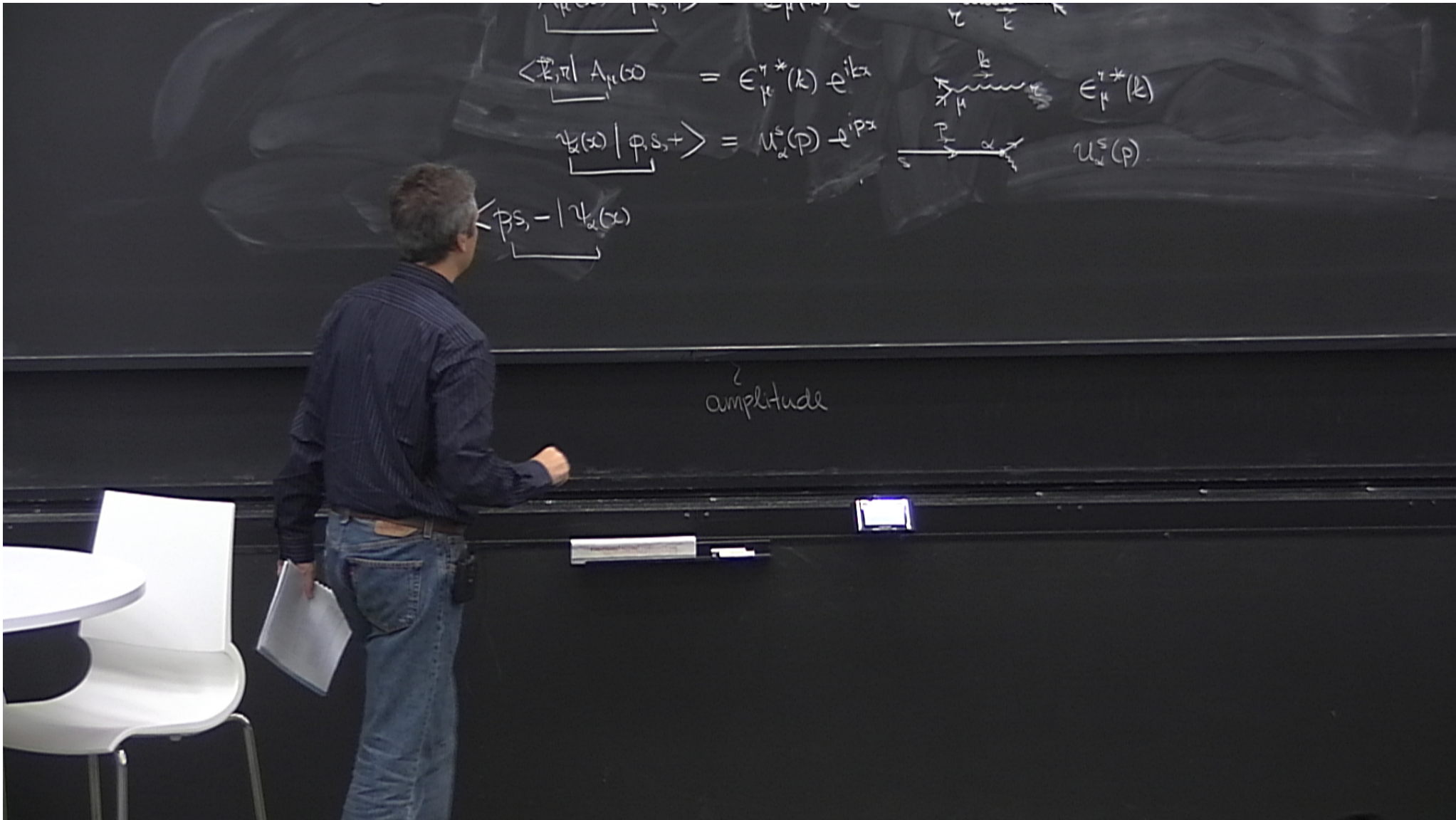


External legs

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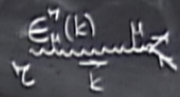








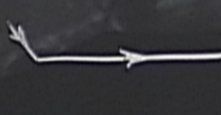


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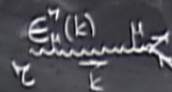
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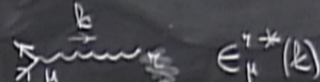
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amplitude

External legs

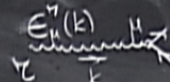
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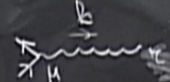
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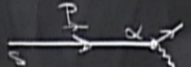
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amplitude

$$A_\mu(\omega) |\vec{k}, \tau\rangle = \epsilon_\mu^\tau(k) e^{-ikx}$$


$$\langle \vec{k}, \tau | A_\mu(\omega) = \epsilon_\mu^{\tau*}(k) e^{ikx}$$


$$\psi_\alpha(x) |p, s, +\rangle = U_\alpha^s(p) e^{ipx}$$


$$\langle p, s, - | \psi_\alpha(x) = U_\alpha^s(p) e^{+ipx}$$


$$\bar{\psi}^\beta(x) |p, s, -\rangle = \bar{U}^{\beta s}(p)$$


$$\langle p, s, + | \bar{\psi}^\beta(x) = \bar{U}^{\beta s}(p)$$
