

Title: PSI 2015/2016 Quantum Field Theory I - Daniel Wohns and Tibra Ali - Lecture 2

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Abstract:

Canonical Quantization

In QM: $[q_a, p_b] = i\delta_{ab}$

$$[q_a, q_b] = 0 = [p_a, p_b]$$

Schrödinger picture

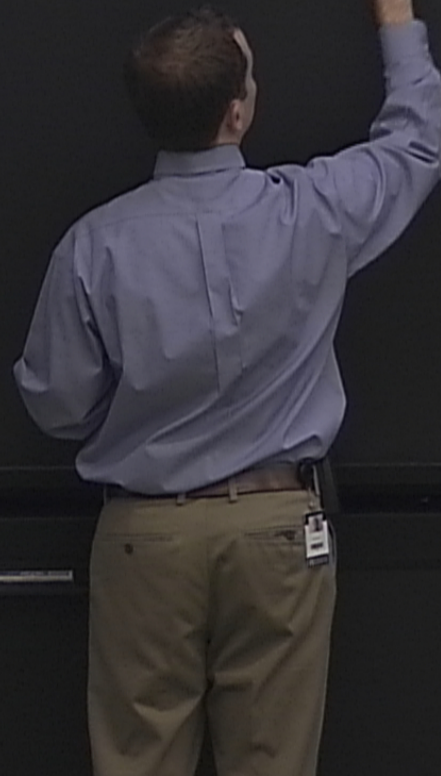
$$[\varphi(\vec{x}), \pi(\vec{y})] = i \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{y})$$

$$[\varphi(\vec{x}), \varphi(\vec{y})] = 0 = [\pi(\vec{x}), \pi(\vec{y})]$$

$$+ a^\dagger(k) e^{ikx}]$$

$$t=0$$

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tutorial

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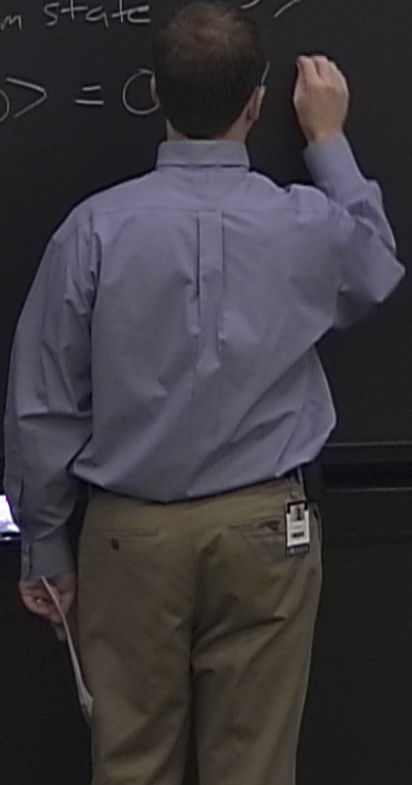
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IR Divergence:
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put universe in a box of size L

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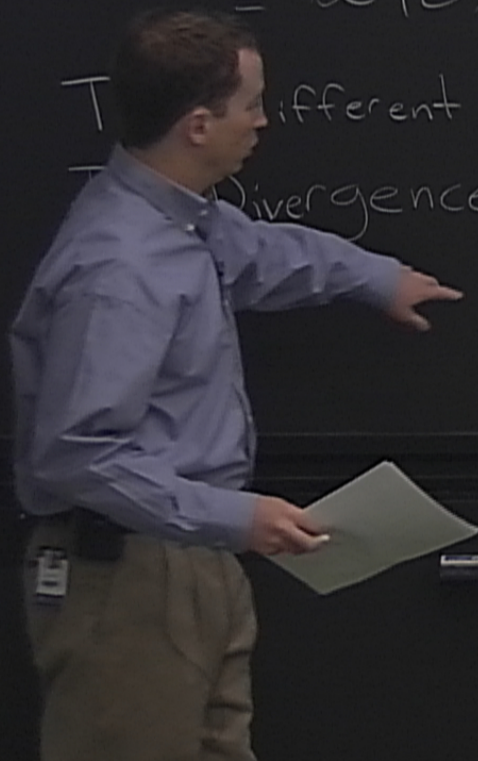
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UV-divergence
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 ultraviolet

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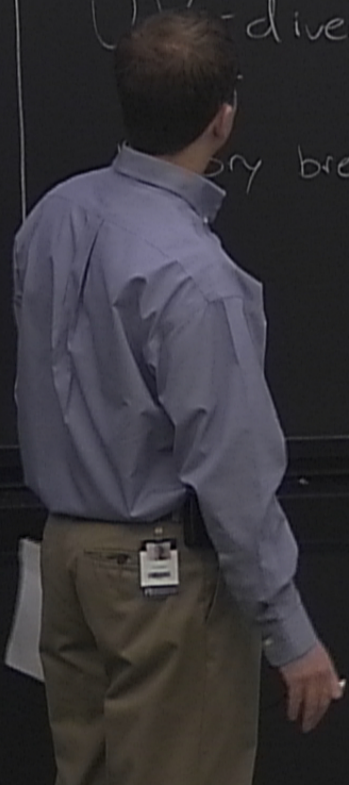
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theory breaks down at some high energy scale Λ



$$= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} 2E_{\vec{k}} \xrightarrow{L \rightarrow \infty} \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} (a_{\vec{k}}^\dagger a_{\vec{k}} + 1)$$

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Normal ordering - putting all of annihilation operators on right $\circ H_0$

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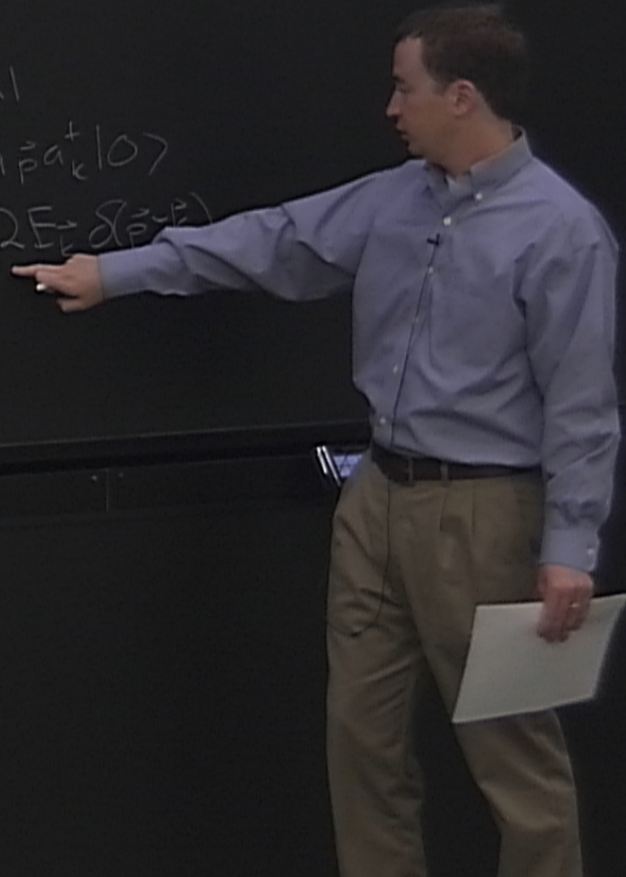
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Particles

one-particle states: $|\vec{k}\rangle = a_{\vec{k}}^+ |0\rangle$

have momentum \vec{k} and energy $E_{\vec{k}}$ tutorial

not unit normalized $\langle \vec{p} | \vec{k} \rangle = \langle 0 | a_{\vec{p}} a_{\vec{k}}^+ | 0 \rangle$
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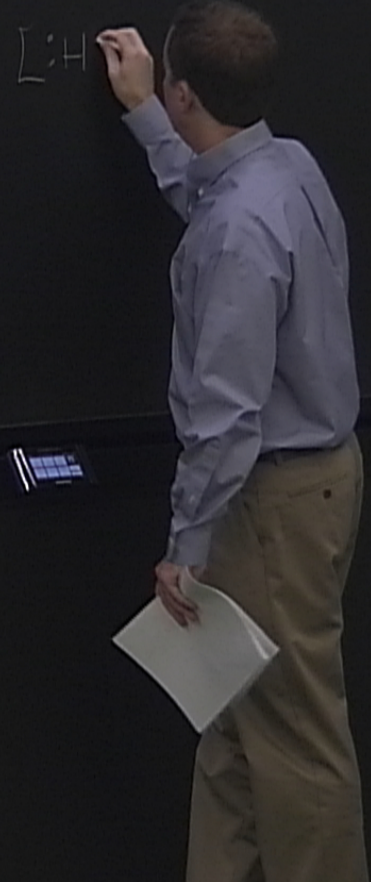
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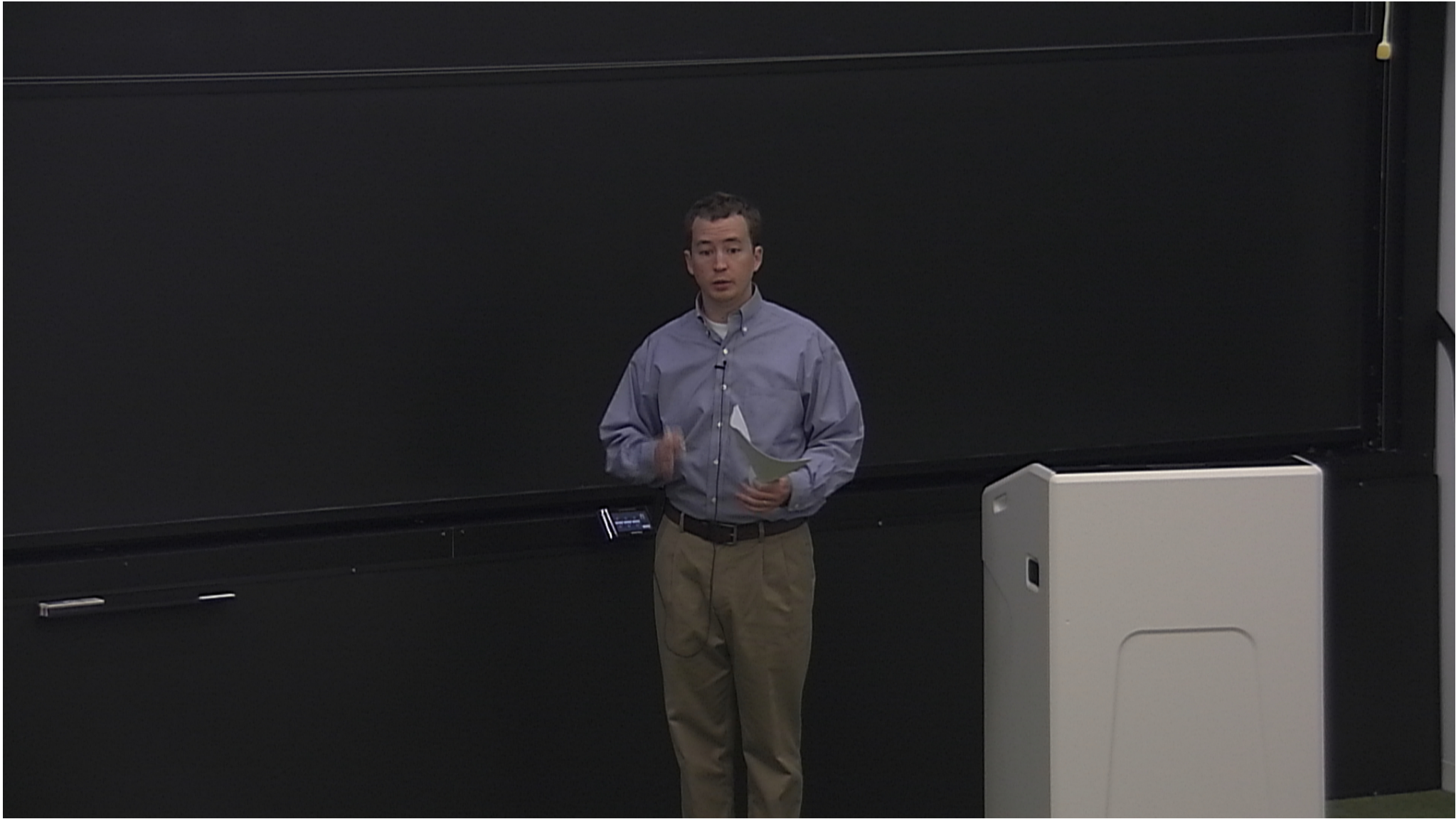
N-particle states: $|\vec{k}_1, \dots, \vec{k}_N\rangle = a_{\vec{k}_1}^{\dagger} \dots a_{\vec{k}_N}^{\dagger} |0\rangle$

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$$N = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3 2E_{\vec{k}}} a_{\vec{k}}^+ a_{\vec{k}}$$



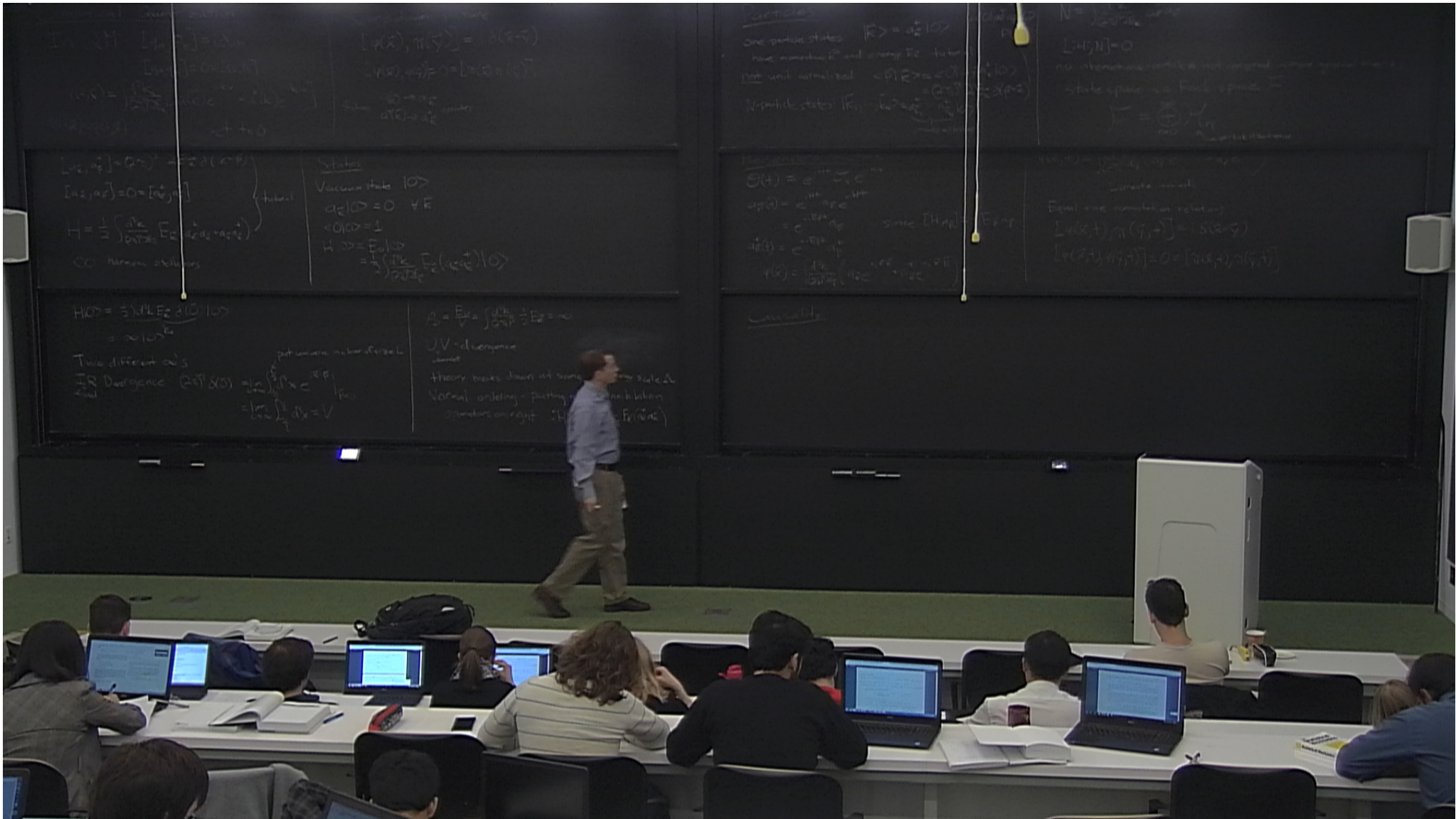


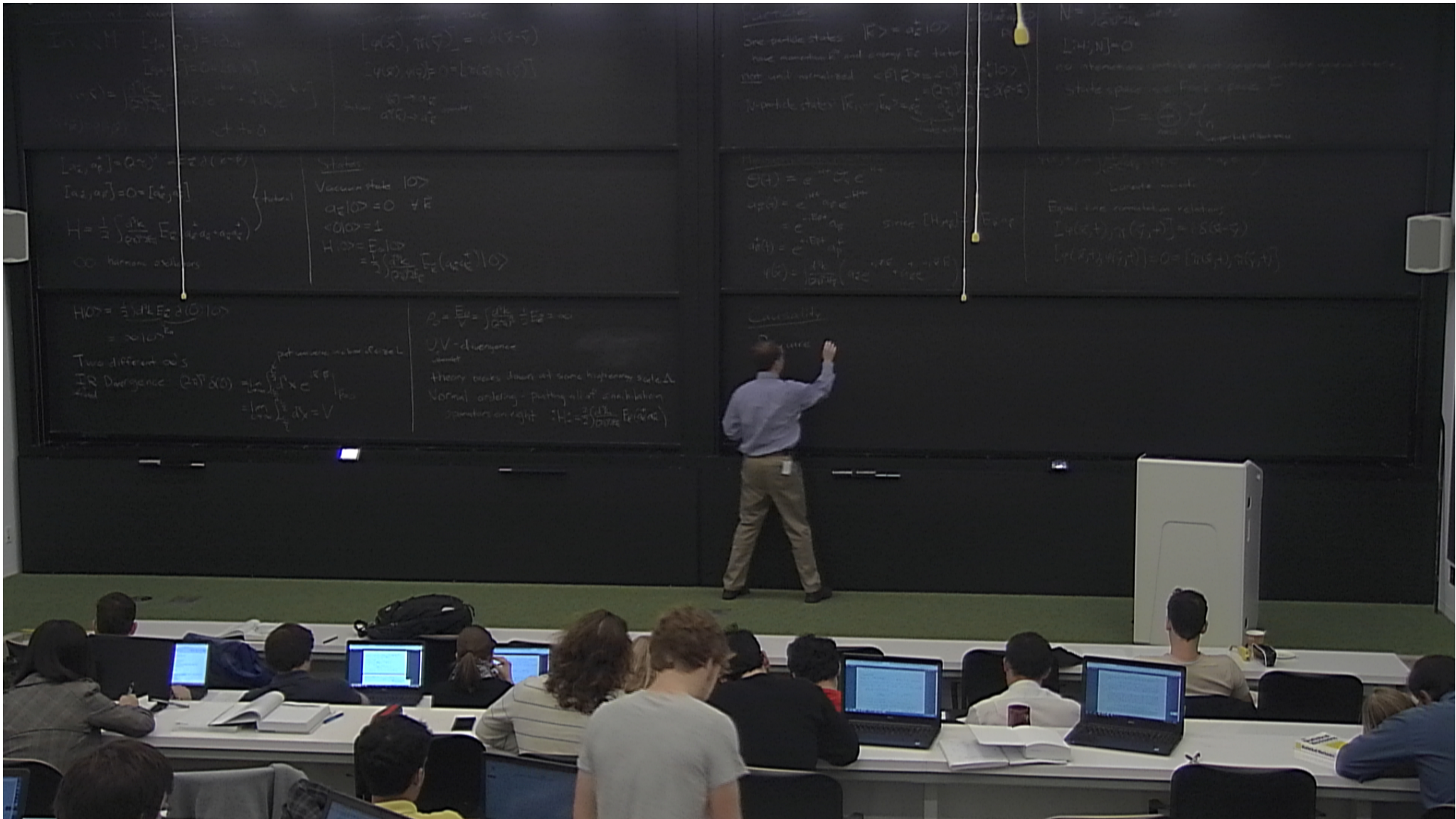
$$[H, a_{\vec{p}}] = -E_{\vec{p}} a_{\vec{p}}$$

$$\varphi(\vec{x}, t) = \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3 2E_{\vec{p}}} \left(a_{\vec{p}} e^{-ixp} + a_{\vec{p}}^\dagger e^{+ixp} \right)$$

Lorentz invariant!

Equal time commutation relations





$$\varphi(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} (a_{Re} + a_{Im}e^{ix})$$

Causality

Require $[\Theta(x),$

$$\psi(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \int (a_{\vec{k}} e^{i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}} + a_{\vec{k}}^\dagger e^{-i\vec{k}\cdot\vec{x}})$$

Causality

Require $[\theta(x), \theta(y)] = 0$

$\forall (x-y)^2 < 0$
spacelike

$$\Delta(x-y) =$$

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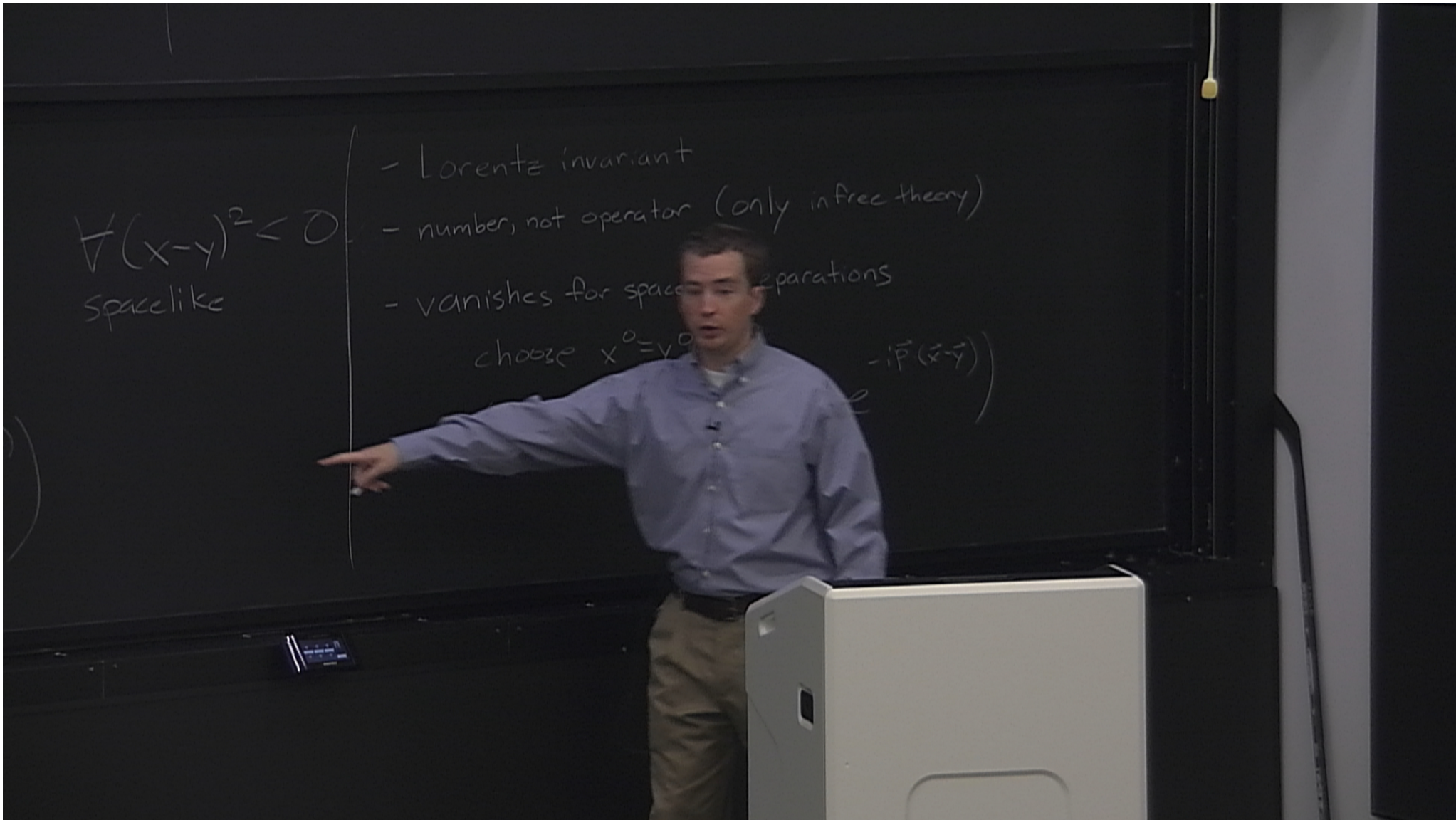
$$\begin{aligned} \Delta(x-y) &= [\varphi(x), \varphi(y)] \\ &= \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3 2E_p} (e^{-ip \cdot (x-y)} - e^{ip \cdot (x-y)}) \end{aligned}$$

- Lorentz

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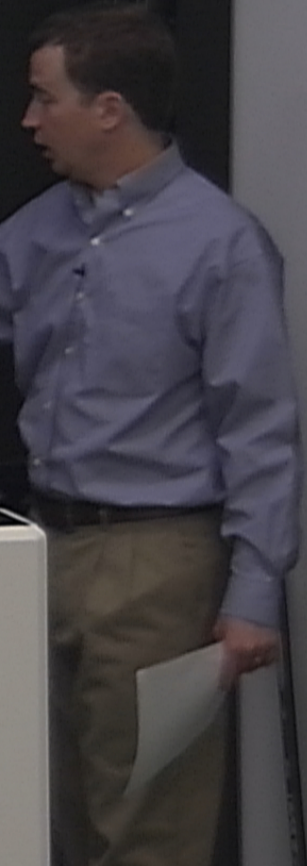
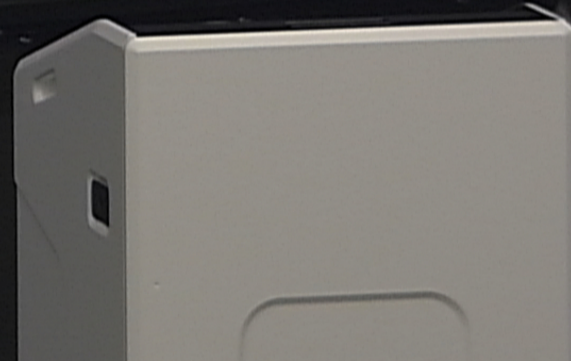
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choose $x^0 = y^0$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \\ \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\vec{p}(\vec{x}-\vec{y})} \\ -e^{-i\vec{p}(\vec{x}-\vec{y})} \end{pmatrix}$$

$\vec{p} \rightarrow \vec{p}$



Propagators

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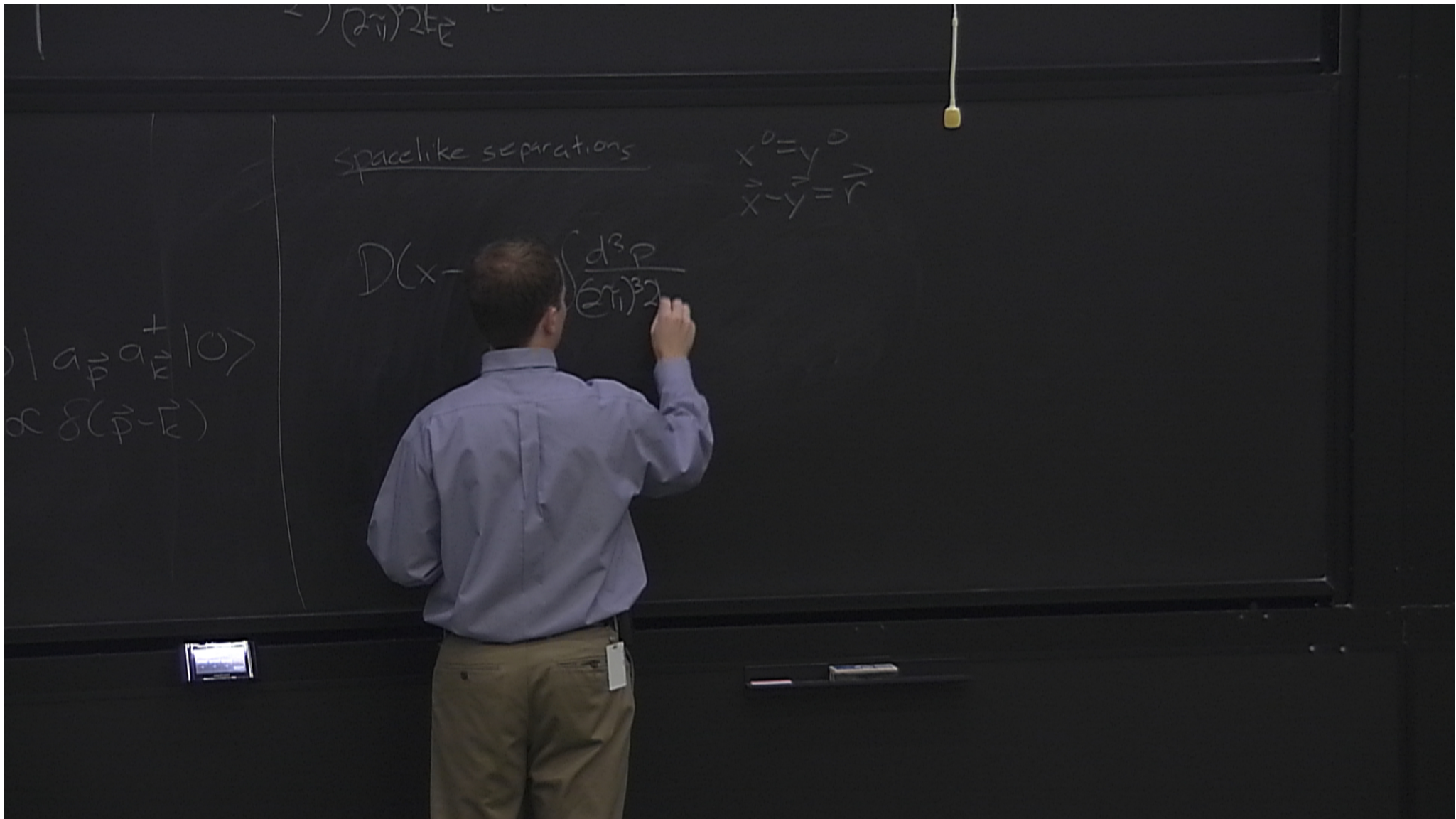
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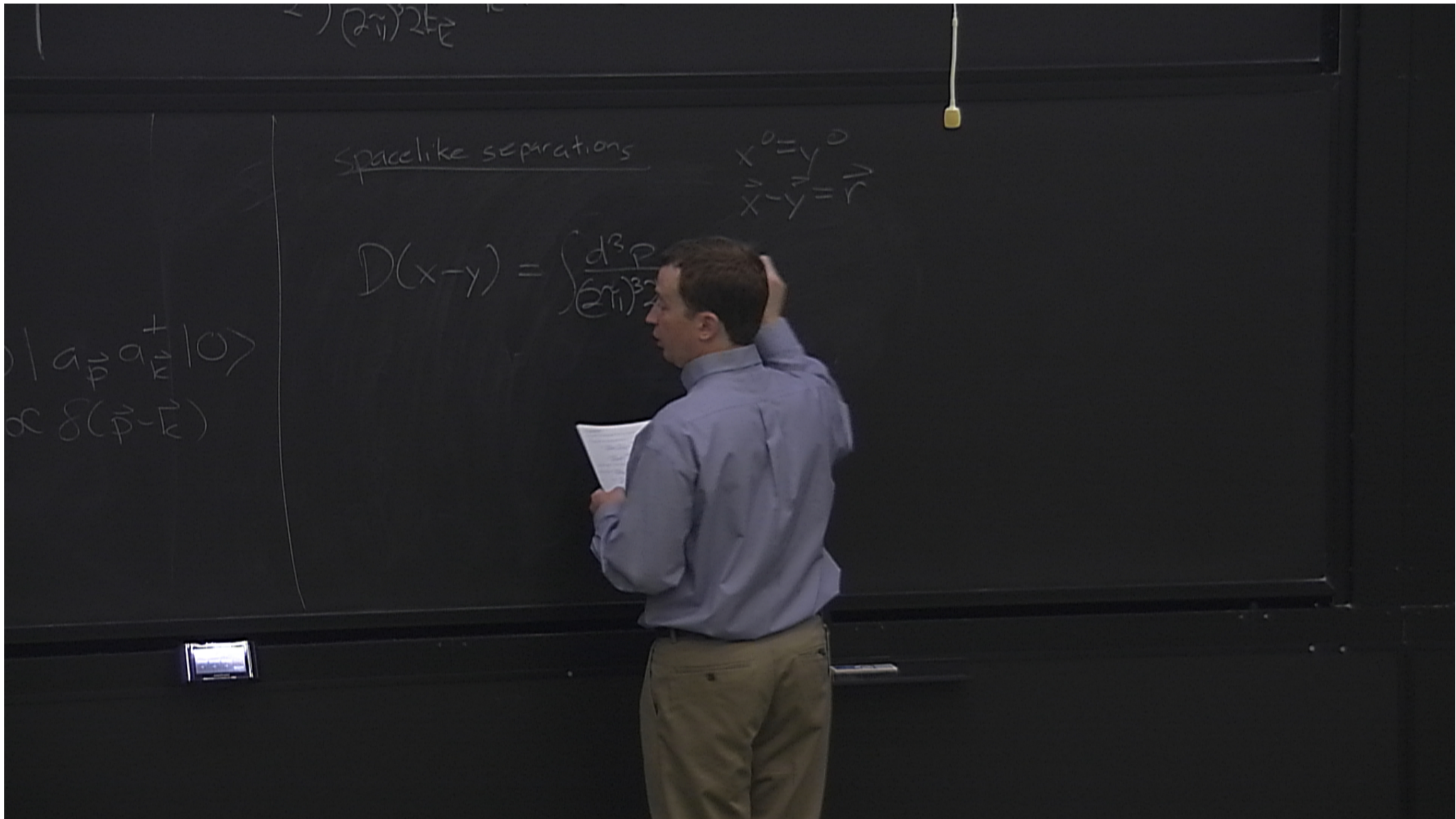
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$$= \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3 2E_p} e^{-ip \cdot (x-y)}$$

$$\propto \delta(\vec{p}-\vec{k})$$





Spacelike separations

$$x^0 = y^0$$
$$x - y = r$$

$$D(x-y) = \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3}$$

$$| a_{\vec{p}} a_{\vec{k}}^+ | 0 \rangle$$
$$\propto \delta(\vec{p} - \vec{k})$$

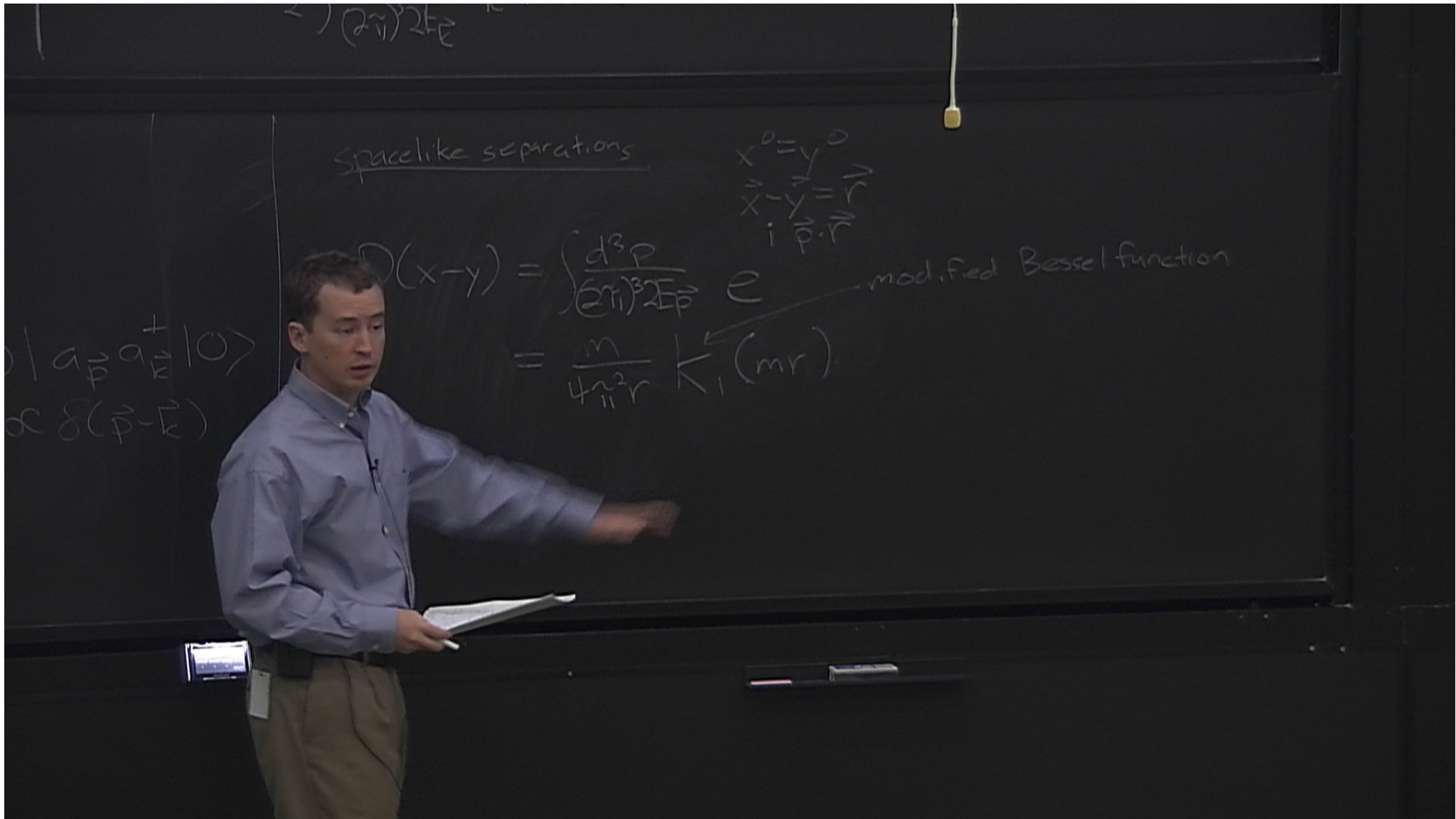
$$-\frac{1}{(2\pi)^3 2E_{\vec{k}}}$$

Spacelike separations

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modified Bessel function

$$|a_{\vec{p}} a_{\vec{k}}^{\dagger} | 0 \rangle \\ \propto \delta(\vec{p} - \vec{k})$$

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$$\sim \frac{m^{3/2}}{4\pi^2 r^{3/2}} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} e^{-mr} \quad r \rightarrow \infty$$

non-zero!

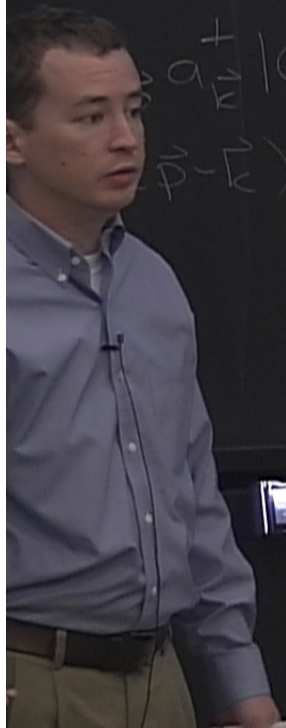
$$-(2\pi)^3 2E_{\vec{p}}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} &+ \\ &|0\rangle \\ &\vec{p} - \vec{k} \end{aligned}$$



$$\nabla(y-x)=0$$

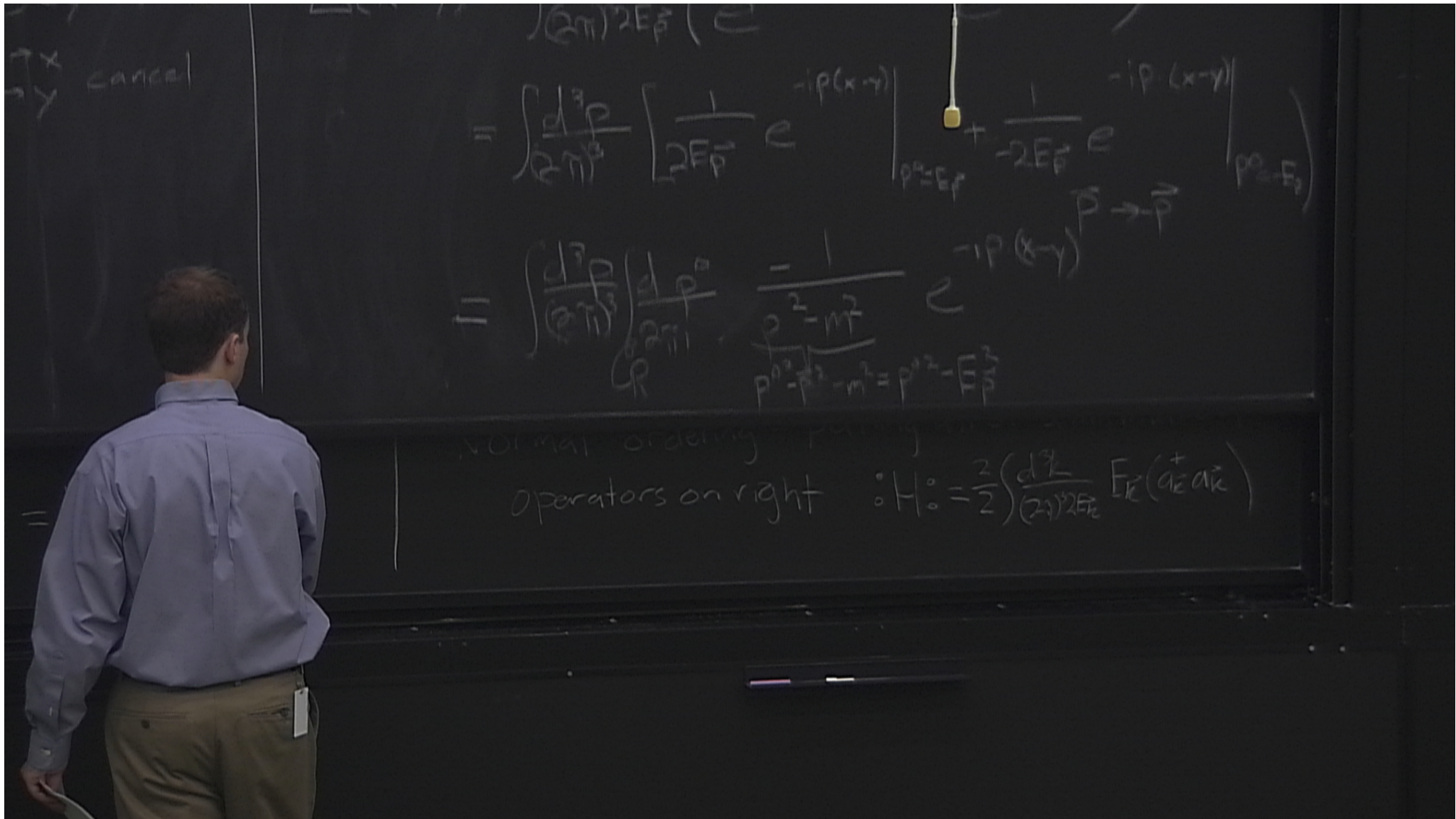
$\rightarrow x$
 $\rightarrow y$ cancel

$$\Delta(x-y)=\int$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta(x-y) &= \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3 2E_p} \left(e^{-ip(x-y)} - e^{ip(x-y)} \right) \\
 &= \int - \left[\frac{1}{2E_p} e^{-ip(x-y)} \Big|_{p^0 = E_p} + \frac{1}{-2E_p} e^{-ip(x-y)} \Big|_{p^0 = -E_p} \right] \\
 &\quad \vec{p} \rightarrow \vec{p}
 \end{aligned}$$



$$(2\pi)^3 E_{\vec{p}} (e^{-ip(x-y)})$$

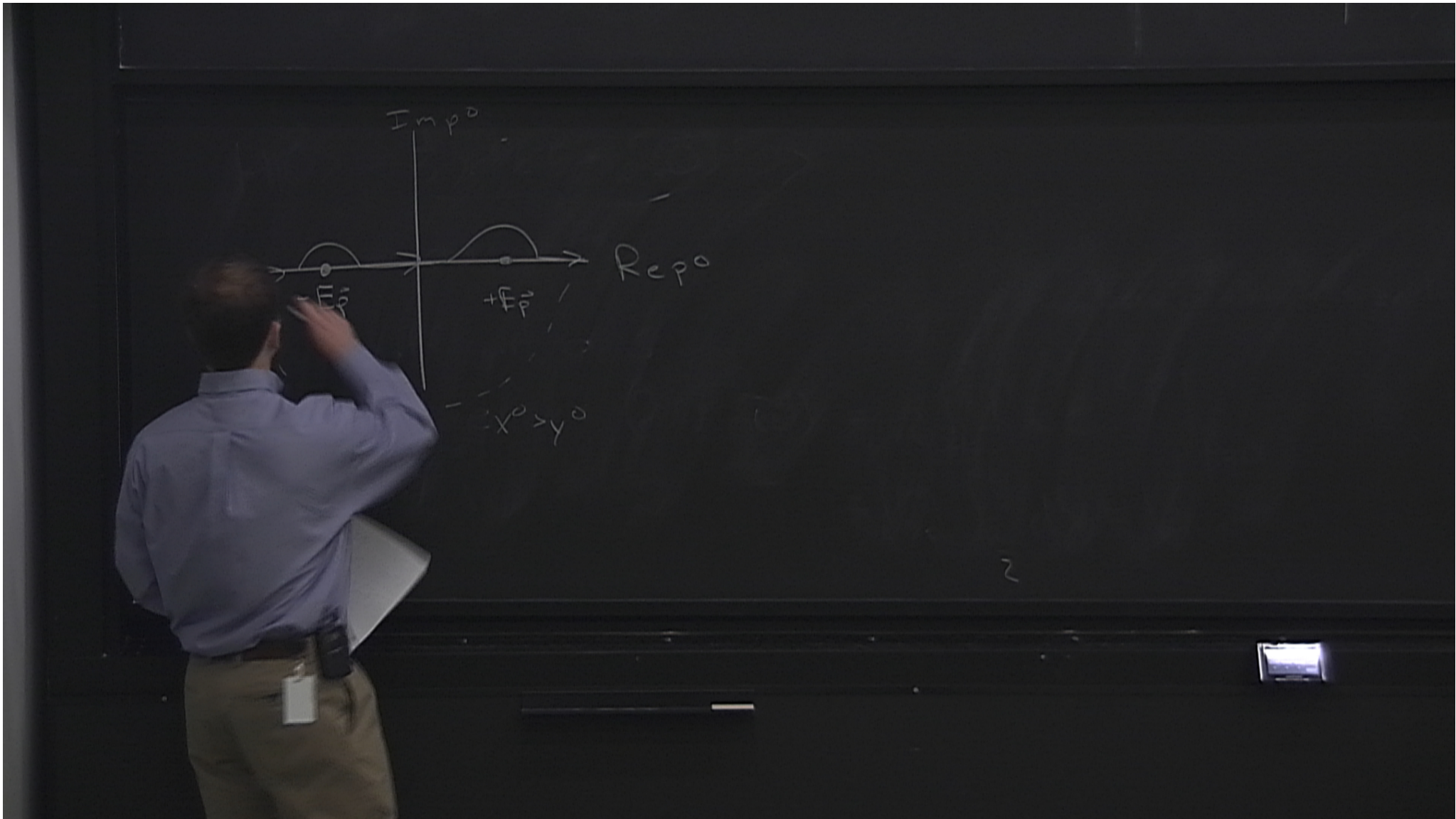
$$= \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \left[\frac{1}{2E_{\vec{p}}} e^{-ip(x-y)} + \frac{1}{-2E_{\vec{p}}} e^{-ip(x-y)} \right]_{\vec{p} = \vec{p}'}^{\vec{p} = -\vec{p}'}$$

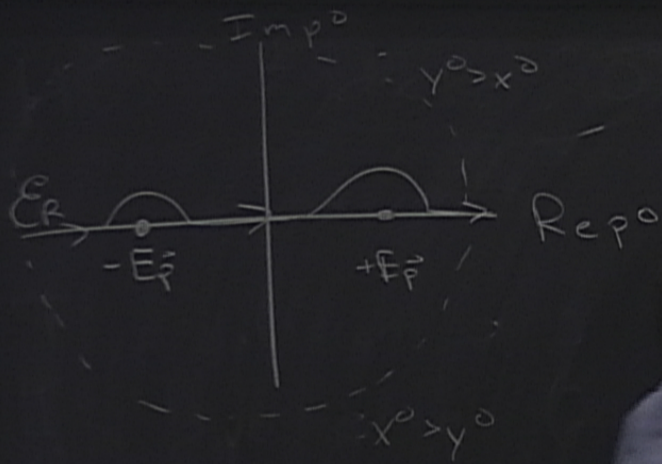
$$= \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{d^3 p'}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{p'^2 - m^2} e^{-ip(x-y)} \quad \vec{p} \rightarrow -\vec{p}'$$

$$p'^2 - m^2 = p'^2 - E_{\vec{p}'}^2$$

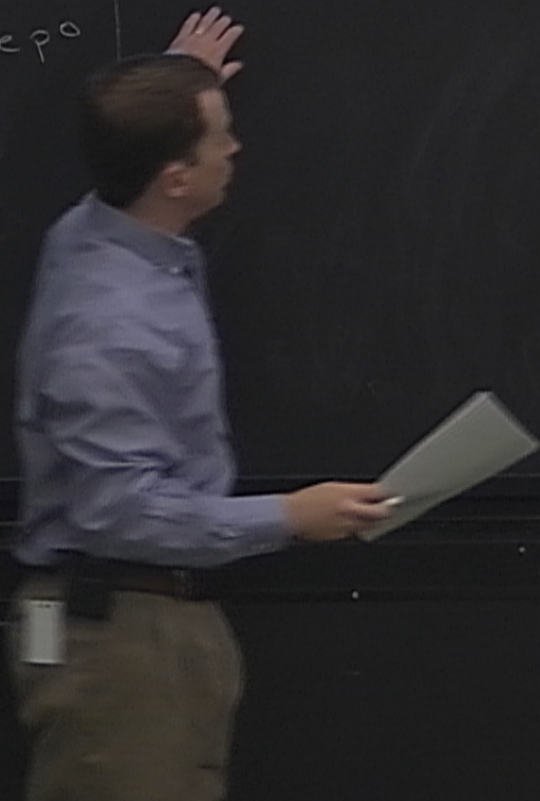
Normal ordering

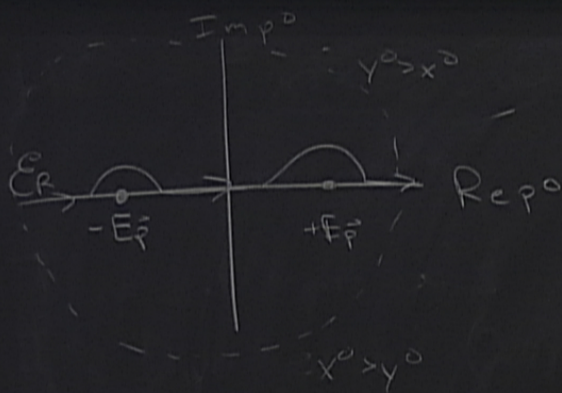
operators on right $:\hat{H}: = \frac{2}{2} \int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3 2E_k} E_k (a_{\vec{k}}^{\dagger} a_{\vec{k}})$





$$\Delta p(x-y) = \Theta(x^0 - y^0) < 0 | [\varphi(x), \varphi(y)] | 0 >$$





$$\Delta_R(x-y) = \Theta(x^0 - y^0) \langle 0 | [\varphi(x), \varphi(y)] | 0 \rangle$$

$$= \int_{C_R} \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2} e^{-ip(x-y)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\partial^2 + m^2) \Delta_R(x-y) &= \int_{C_R} \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2} (-p^2 + m^2) e^{-ip(x-y)} \\
 &= -i \left(\int_{C_R} \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} e^{-ip(x-y)} \right) = -i \delta^4(x-y)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$a_{\vec{p}}^{\dagger}(t) = e^{+iEt} a_{\vec{p}}^{\dagger}$$

$$\varphi(\vec{x}) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3 2E_k} \left(a_{\vec{k}} e^{+i\vec{x}\cdot\vec{k}} + a_{-\vec{k}} e^{-i\vec{x}\cdot\vec{k}} \right)$$

$$[\varphi(\vec{x}, t), \varphi(\vec{y}, t)] = 0 = [a_{\vec{k}}(\vec{x}, t), a_{\vec{l}}(\vec{y}, t)]$$

$$\Delta_F(x-y) = \Theta(x^0 - y^0) \langle 0 | \varphi(x) \varphi(y) | 0 \rangle + \Theta(y^0 - x^0) \langle 0 | \varphi(y) \varphi(x) | 0 \rangle$$

$$= \langle 0 | T \varphi(x) \varphi(y) | 0 \rangle$$

↑ time-ordering symbol

$$= \int \frac{d^4p}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} e^{-ip \cdot (x-y)}$$

