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LSZ (Lehmann, Symanzik, Zimmermann)

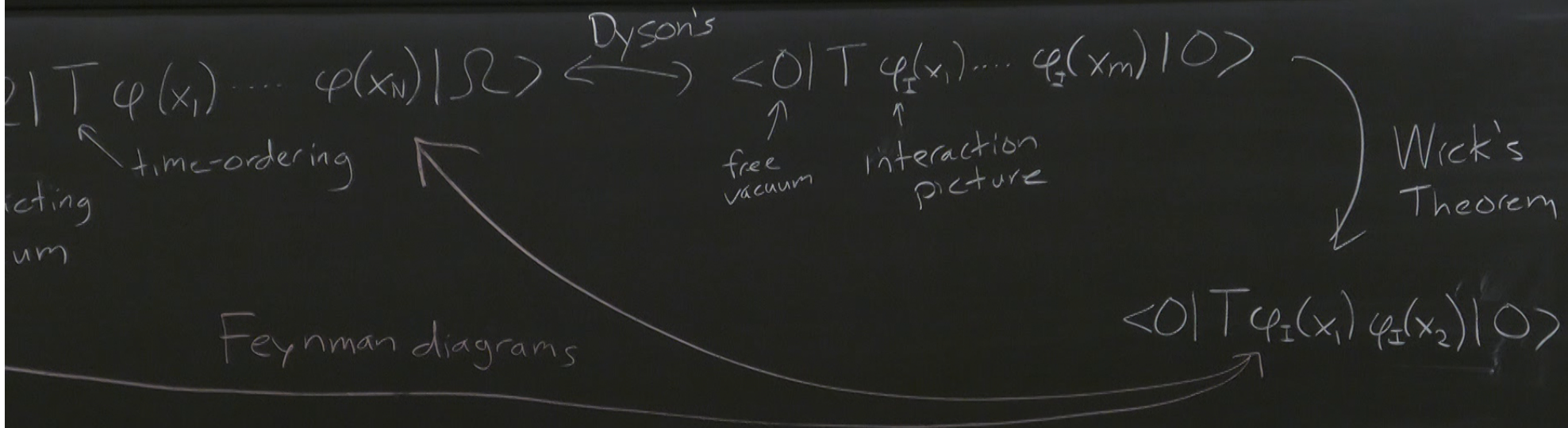
Reduction Formula

$$\langle f | S | i \rangle_H = \langle f_{j \rightarrow +\infty} | i_{j \rightarrow -\infty} \rangle_S$$

↑
time evolution

$$|i\rangle = |\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2\rangle$$

$$|f\rangle = |\vec{k}_3, \vec{k}_4, \dots, \vec{k}_N\rangle$$



Assumptions

- $[a_{\vec{k}}(t), a_{\vec{p}}^{\dagger}(t)] = (2\pi)^3 2E_{\vec{p}} \delta^{(3)}(\vec{p}-\vec{k})$ Definition

- $|\Omega\rangle$ is Poincare invariant

- $\varphi(x)|\Omega\rangle$ is a one particle state for $t = \pm\infty$
→ φ is linear in a^{\dagger}

$$|i\rangle_H = a_1^+(0) a_2^+(0) |\Omega\rangle \quad a_i^+ \equiv a_{k_i}^+$$

$$|f\rangle_H = a_3^+(0) a_4^+(0) |\Omega\rangle$$

$$\langle f | S | i \rangle = \langle \Omega | a_4(+\infty) a_3(+\infty) a_1^+(-\infty) a_2^+(-\infty) |\Omega\rangle$$

$$= \langle \Omega | T a_4(+\infty) a_3(+\infty) a_1^+(-\infty) a_2^+(-\infty) |\Omega\rangle$$

already time-ordered

$$T \theta(t_1) \theta(t_2) = \begin{cases} \theta(t_1) \theta(t_2) & \text{if } t_1 > t_2 \quad \text{Latest} \\ \theta(t_2) \theta(t_1) & \text{if } t_2 > t_1 \quad \text{to Left} \end{cases}$$

Useful identity:

$$a_1^+(+\infty) - a_1^+(-\infty) = -i \int d^4x e^{-ik_1 \cdot x} \underbrace{(\partial^2 + m^2)}_{=0 \text{ in free theory}} \varphi(x) \equiv I_1^+$$

Proof: $a_1^+(+\infty) - a_1^+(-\infty) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt \partial_0 a_1^+(t)$

$$= -i \int d^4x \partial_0 \left(e^{-ik_1 \cdot x} \left[\partial_0 \varphi(x) + i E_{\vec{k}_1} \varphi(x) \right] \right)$$

$$= -i \int d^4x e^{-ik_1 \cdot x} (\partial_0^2 + E_{\vec{k}_1}^2) \varphi(x) \quad \text{others cancel}$$

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

↑ if φ is real

if boundary terms vanish $\partial_+ a_{\vec{k}}^+(\pm\infty) = 0$

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↑ for all t

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(0,1,0,0) ... Lett

useful identity

$$\langle f | S | i \rangle = \langle S | T a_4(-\infty) a_3(-\infty) a_1^+(+\infty) a_2^+(+\infty) | S \rangle + \dots + \langle S | T I_4 I_3 I_1^+ I_2^+ | S \rangle$$

$$\langle f | S | i \rangle = \int \prod_{i=1}^4 (d^4 x_i e^{-i \lambda_i k_i \cdot x_i} (\partial_i^2 + m^2)) \langle S | T \varphi_1 \varphi_2 \varphi_3 \varphi_4 | S \rangle$$

$\lambda_i = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{initial} \\ -1 & \text{final} \end{cases}$
 $\partial_i^2 = \eta^{\mu\nu} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i^\mu} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i^\nu}$
 $\varphi_i = \varphi(x_i)$

Checking Assumptions

- $\varphi(x)|\Omega\rangle$ is a one-particle state $t=\pm\infty$
 - $\langle\Omega|\varphi(x)|\Omega\rangle=0$ ①
 - no overlap with multiparticle states ③
- $\langle\vec{k}|\varphi(x)|\Omega\rangle=e^{ik\cdot x}$ ②

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \langle \Omega | \varphi(x) | \Omega \rangle \stackrel{\hat{P}_0 \cdot x}{=} \varphi(0) e^{-i \hat{P} \cdot x}$$

\swarrow 4-momentum
 generate
 spacetime
 translation

$$\langle \Omega | \varphi(x) | \Omega \rangle = \langle \Omega | e^{i \hat{P} \cdot x} \varphi(0) e^{-i \hat{P} \cdot x} | \Omega \rangle$$

$$= \langle \Omega | \varphi(0) | \Omega \rangle \quad \text{constant, independent of } x$$

Fix by shifting field $\tilde{\varphi}(x) = \varphi(x) - v$

$$\langle \Omega | \tilde{\varphi}(x) | \Omega \rangle = 0$$

Checking Assumptions

- $\varphi(x)|\Omega\rangle$ is a one-particle state $t = \pm\infty$
 - $\langle\Omega|\varphi(x)|\Omega\rangle = 0$ ① ✓ with shift
 - no overlap with multiparticle states ③
- $\langle\vec{k}|\varphi(x)|\Omega\rangle = e^{ik \cdot x}$ ②

$$\frac{\langle \vec{k} | \varphi(x) | \Omega \rangle}{\langle \vec{k} | \varphi(x) | \Omega \rangle}$$

$$\langle \vec{k} | \varphi(x) | \Omega \rangle = \langle \vec{k} | e^{i\hat{P}\cdot x} \varphi(0) e^{-i\hat{P}\cdot x} | \Omega \rangle$$

$$= e^{ik\cdot x} \underbrace{\langle \vec{k} | \varphi(0) | \Omega \rangle}_{\text{constant, independent of space time}}$$

$$= Z e^{ik\cdot x} \quad \text{claim: Lorentz-invariant}$$

Lorentz-invariant function of $k^2 = m^2$

$$\text{Rescale } \tilde{\varphi}(x) = Z\varphi(x) \quad \langle \vec{k} | \tilde{\varphi}(x) | \Omega \rangle = e^{ik\cdot x}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} \langle \Psi | A_1^\dagger(t) | \Omega \rangle = \int d^3p (\dots) e^{i(p^0 - k_1^0)t}$$

E of mult: $p^0 = (\vec{p}^2 + M^2)^{1/2}$
↑ invariant mass of multiparticle state

$k_1^0 = (\vec{p}^2 + m^2)^{1/2}$
↑ mass of particle

free $M \geq 2m > m$

physically 1-multiparticle spread out differently as $t \rightarrow \pm\infty$
 Overlap $\rightarrow 0$

Drop \sim moving forward

Example: $\mathcal{L}_{\text{naïve}} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial\varphi)^2 - \frac{1}{2}m^2\varphi^2 - \frac{g}{3!}\varphi^3$

coupling constant

Must shift + rescale (+ rename)

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}Z_\varphi(\partial\varphi)^2 - \frac{1}{2}Z_m m^2\varphi^2 - Z_g \frac{g}{3!}\varphi^3 + Y\varphi$$

new term from shift

Renormalization is required!

more next week!

$$\langle \Omega | \varphi(x) | \Omega \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle k | \varphi(x) | \Omega \rangle = e^{ikx}$$

put constraints on Z_i, Y

$$= -i \int d^4x e^{-ik_1 x} (\partial_0^2 + \vec{k}_1^2 + m^2) \varphi(x)$$

$$= -i \int dx e^{-ik_1 x} (\partial_0^2 - \nabla^2 + m^2) \varphi(x) \quad \text{int by parts}$$

↑ can be measured!

This week. Assume $Z_i = 1$ for now!
 $\gamma = 0$

consistent at leading in perturbation theory
 but fails beyond leading order

$\varphi_3 \varphi_+ / \Omega$

$\varphi(x_i)$