

Title: Quantum Theory Lecture - 100223

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Interviews: No notes

20 mins prep

-questions by email

5-7 minute response preparation

+ follow-up

Renormalization warm-up quiz  
for tomorrow!

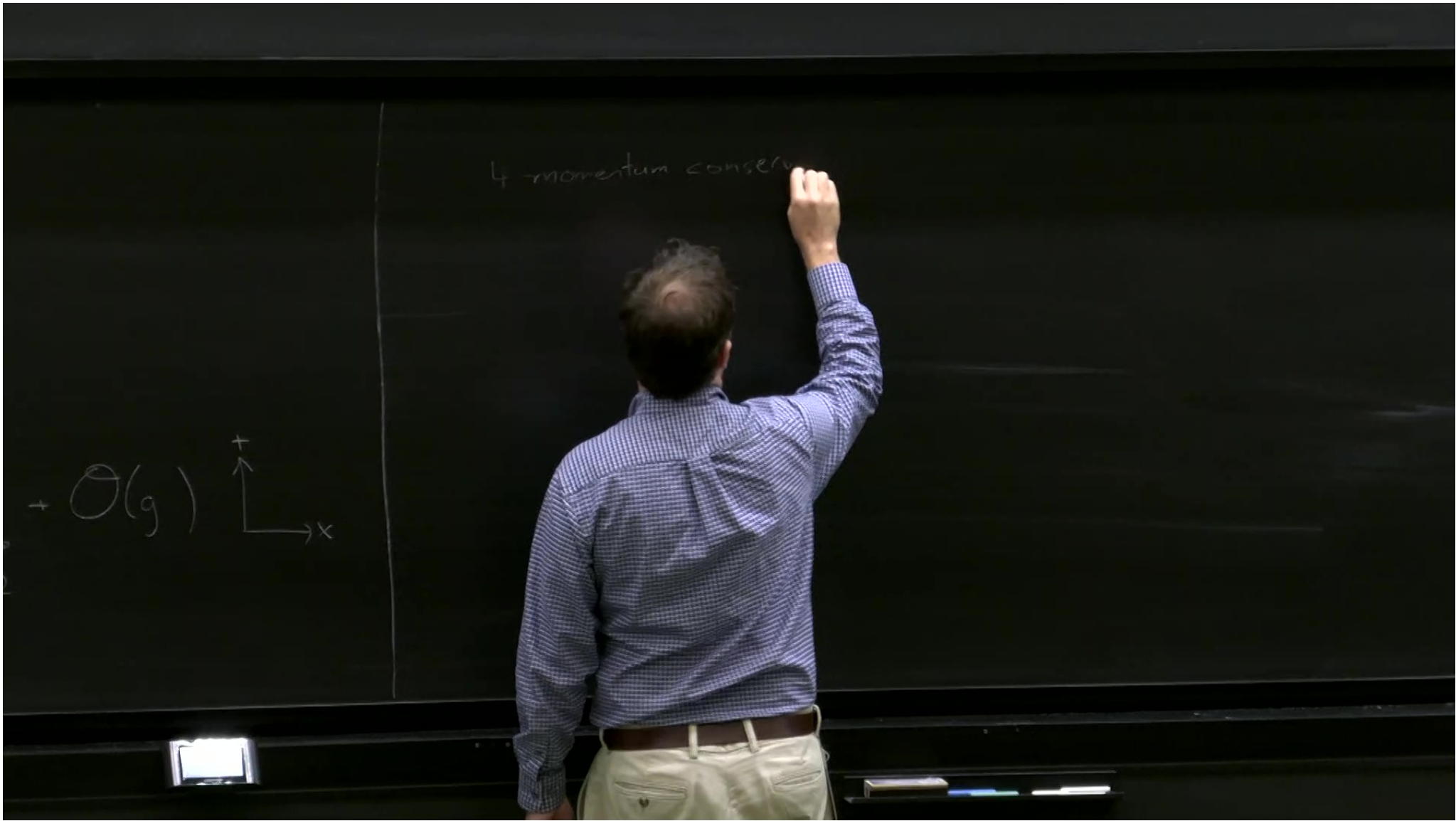
# Feynman rules for $iM$

$$\langle f|S|i\rangle = (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(\sum_{\text{final}} p - \sum_{\text{initial}} p) iM_{i \rightarrow f}$$

Example:  $2 \rightarrow 2$  scattering in  $\phi^4$  theory

$$\langle S|T \phi_1 \phi_2 \phi_3 \phi_4 |S\rangle =$$

1, 2 initial  
3, 4 final



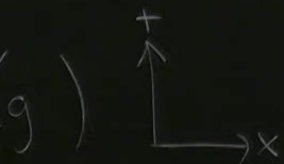
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(last time missed  $(\partial^2 + m^2)$ )  
in  $\langle f|S|i \rangle$

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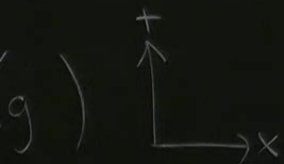
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if  $m > 0$ ,  $p_1^0 + p_2^0 > 0$



Disconnected diagrams do interfere  
with fully connected diagrams due  
to extra deltas:

Either: arguments of extra deltas are zero  $\rightarrow$  infinitely larger  
" " " " non-zero  $\rightarrow$  terms = 0

we will not consider further.

$\langle \sqrt{2} \rangle$

$$\langle \Omega | T \phi_1 \phi_2 \phi_3 \phi_4 | \Omega \rangle \stackrel{\text{fully corrected}}{=} \begin{array}{c} 3 \rightarrow \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \times \\ \diagup \quad \diagdown \\ 1 \quad 2 \end{array} + \mathcal{O}(g^2)$$

ager  
= 0

$$\underbrace{\text{LSZ}}_{\text{LSZ}} = -ig \int d^4x \Delta_{1x} \Delta_{2x} \Delta_{3x} \Delta_{4x} \quad \text{plug into LSZ}$$

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$\langle f | S | i \rangle_x = -ig \int d^4x \int d^4x_j \left[ e^{i(x_j P_j - x_j)} (-i) \delta^4(x_j - x) \right]$



$$\langle f | S | i \rangle_x = -ig \int d^4x e^{i(p_1 + p_2 - p_3 - p_4) \cdot x}$$

$$= -ig (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_1 + p_2 - p_3 - p_4)$$

$$\overline{iM}_{i \rightarrow f}$$

$$iM = -ig + \mathcal{O}(g^2)$$

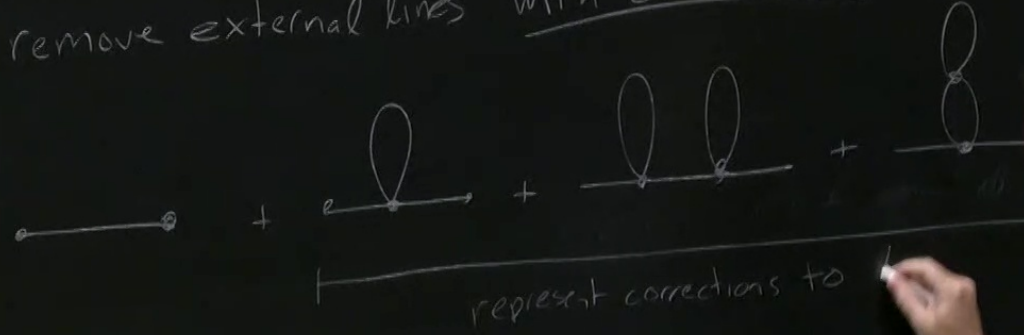
no propagators for external lines!

# Amputation

Claim:  $(\partial^2 + m_{ph}^2)$

remove external lines with corrections!

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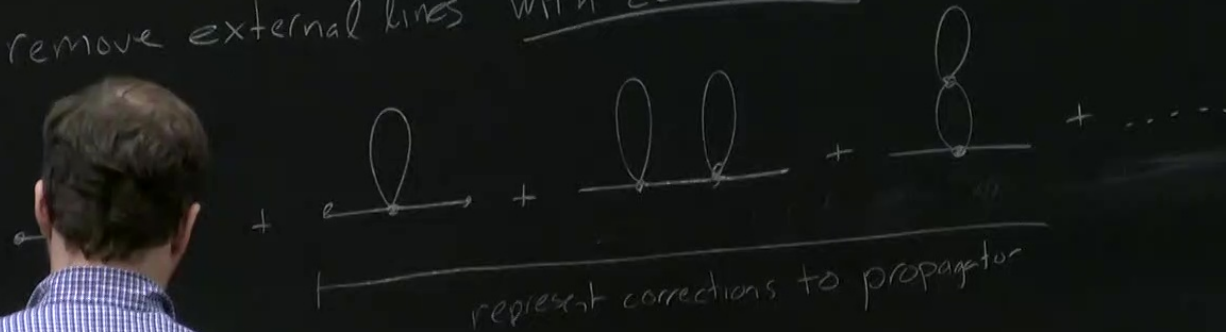
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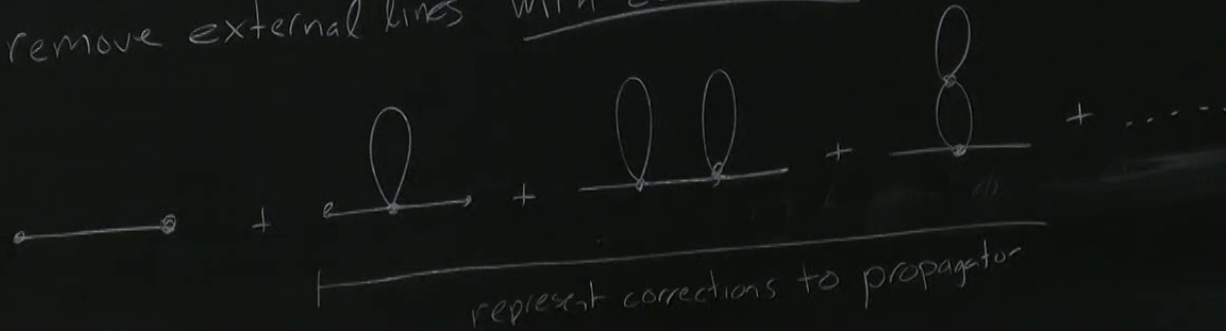


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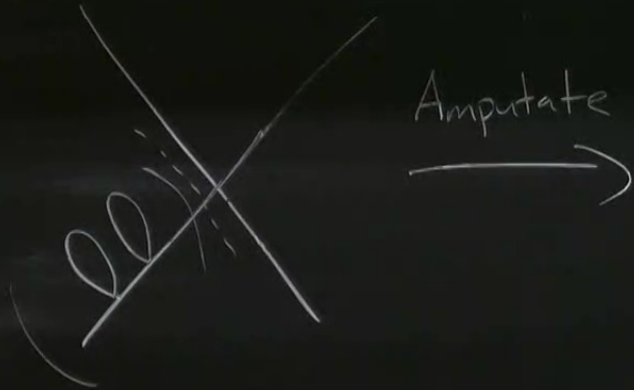
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Källén-Lehmann tomorrow

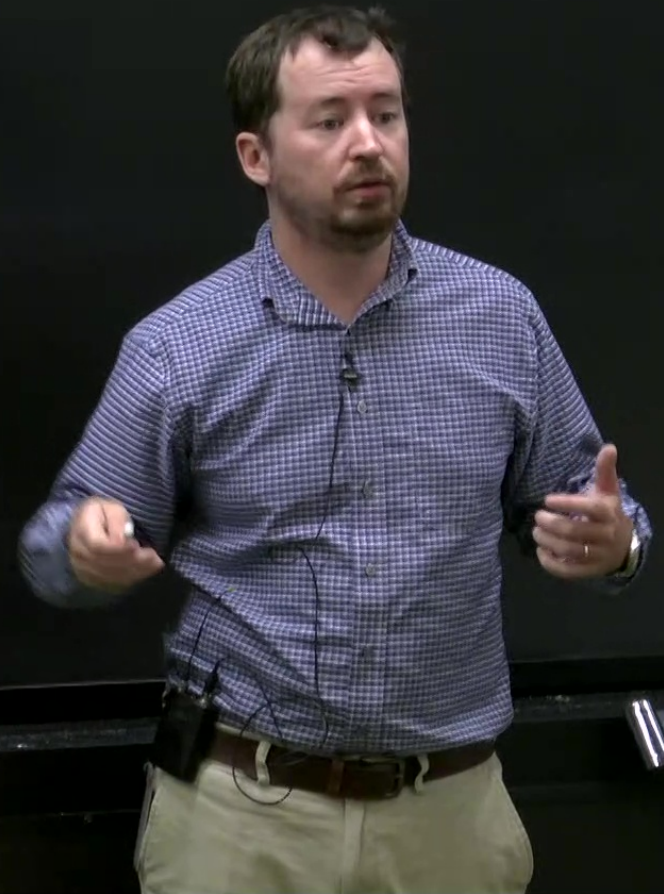
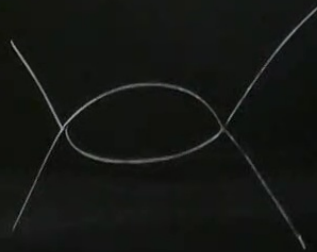
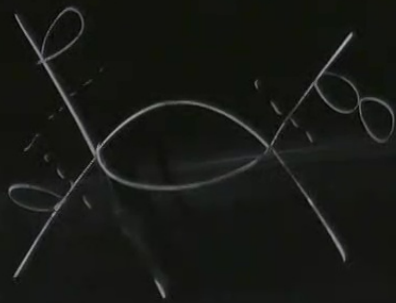


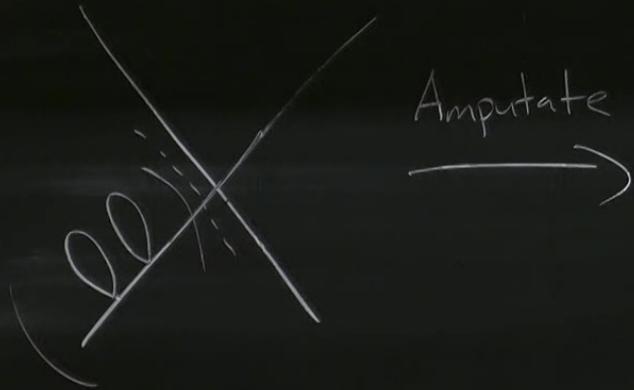


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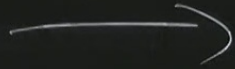


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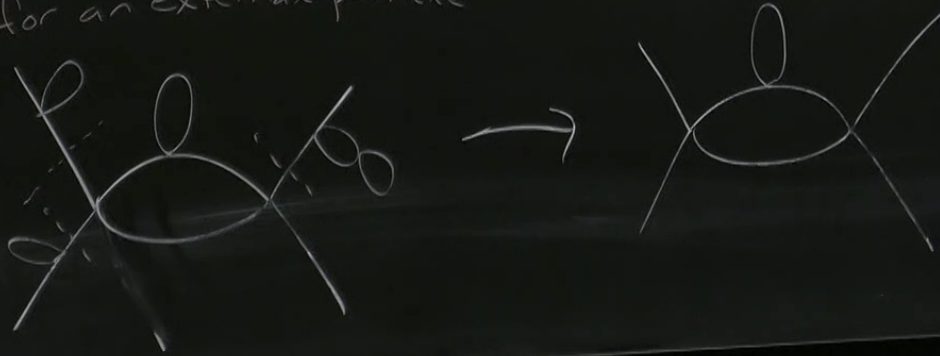




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## Momentum conservation

higher order diagrams have more { vertices  
propagators

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \int d^4 x \\ \int d^4 k e^{ik \cdot x} \end{array} \right\} \text{lots of } \delta^4(p) \int d^4 p$$

Example:  $2 \rightarrow 2$  scattering in  $\varphi^4$  theory (completely connected)

$V$  vertices

$E$  edges or lines

momentum integrals  $\leftarrow$  one delta pulled out of  $iM$

$$\underbrace{E - 4}_{\text{internal lines}} - (V - 1) = E - V - 3$$

1, 2 initial

$$\text{Euler: } \chi = -E + V + L$$

↑  
Euler characteristic

↑  
loops

constant for all 2→2 connected diagrams

for X  $\chi = -4 + 1 + 0 = -3$

$$L = E - V - 3$$

in general

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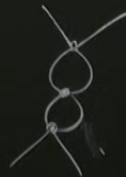
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$$L = 1 \\ E = 6 \\ V = 2$$

$$\chi = -6 + 1 + 2 = -3$$



$$L = 2 \\ E = 8 \\ V = 3$$

$$\chi = -8 + 2 + 3 = -3$$



1, 2 internal  
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## Feynman rules for $iM$

$iM$  = sum of all completely connected, amputated diagrams


(interesting part)

internal line


$$\begin{array}{c} \text{---} \\ \nearrow \vec{p} \\ \text{arrow next to} \\ \text{line} \end{array} = \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}$$

external lines

$$\begin{array}{c} \bullet \text{---} \\ \rightarrow \vec{p} \end{array} = 1$$

3.  =  $-ig$  (depends on theory)

4. Impose (by hand) momentum conservation at each vertex

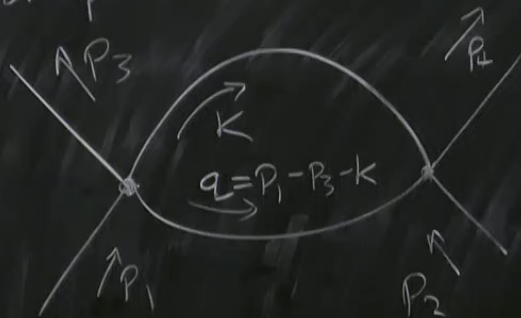
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5. Integrate over undetermined momenta  $\int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4}$  (1 per loop)

6. Divide by symmetry factor

Example:



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$$\frac{i}{k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}$$

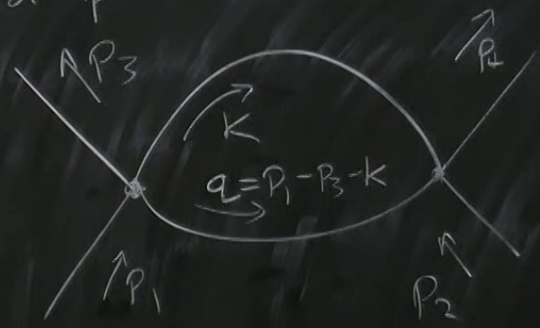
$$\frac{i}{(p_1 - p_3 - k)^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}$$

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$$p_2 + k + p_1, p_3 - k = p_4$$



Example



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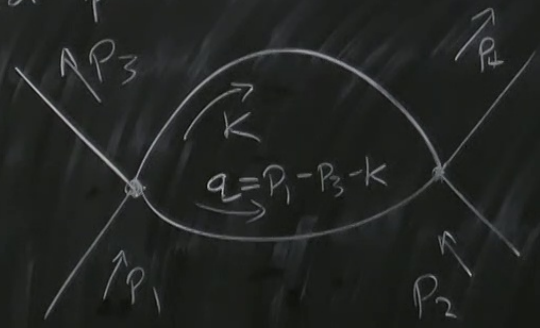
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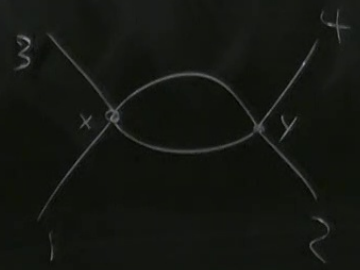


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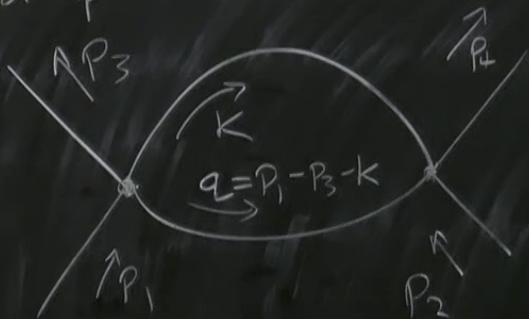
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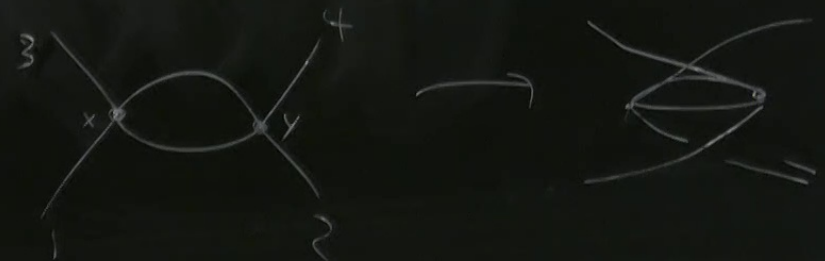


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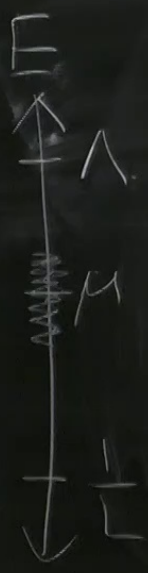


# Renormalization

Separation of scales : we can predict how an apple falls  
with knowing cosmology or atomic physics

$$-k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon$$

Goal: predict near a physical scale  $M$   
 $O(p)$  for  $|p| \approx M$



introduce unobservable quantity coupling constants

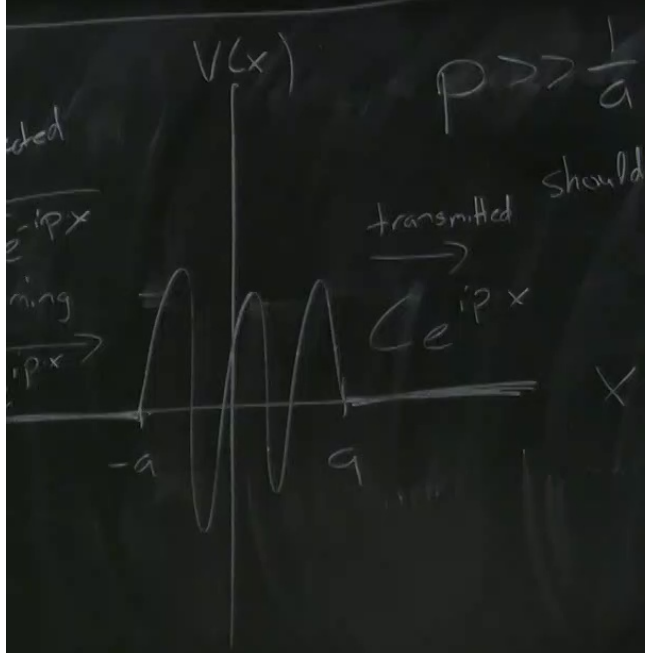
$$Q(\Lambda, M, L, P, c)$$

scale at which we are measuring

$$O(p, c)$$

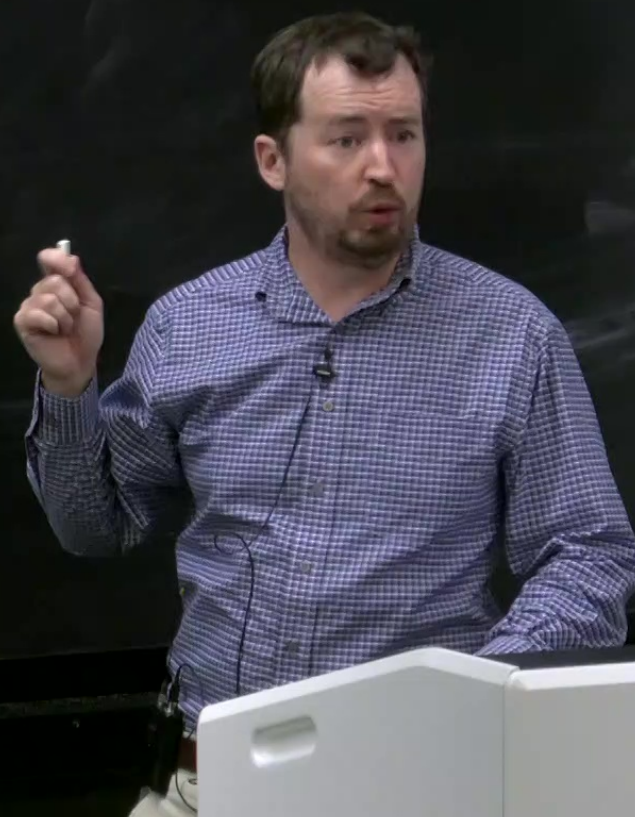


Example: local potential in 1d non relativistic QM



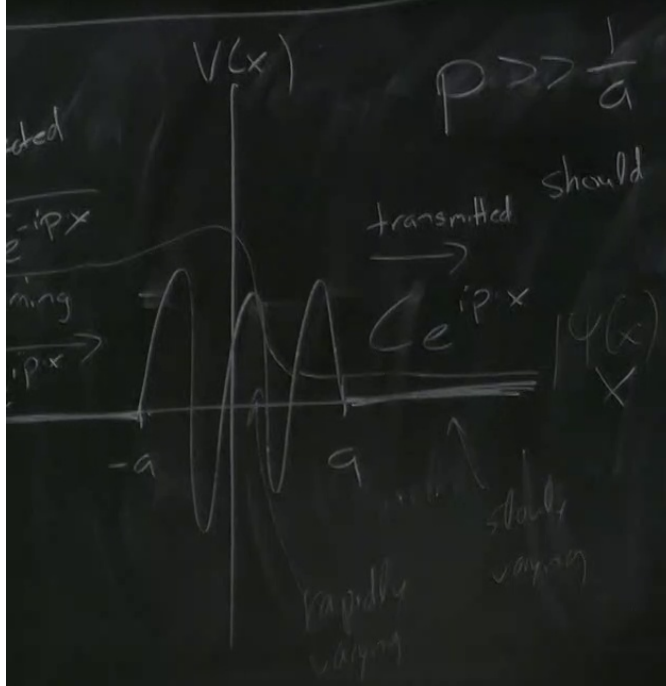
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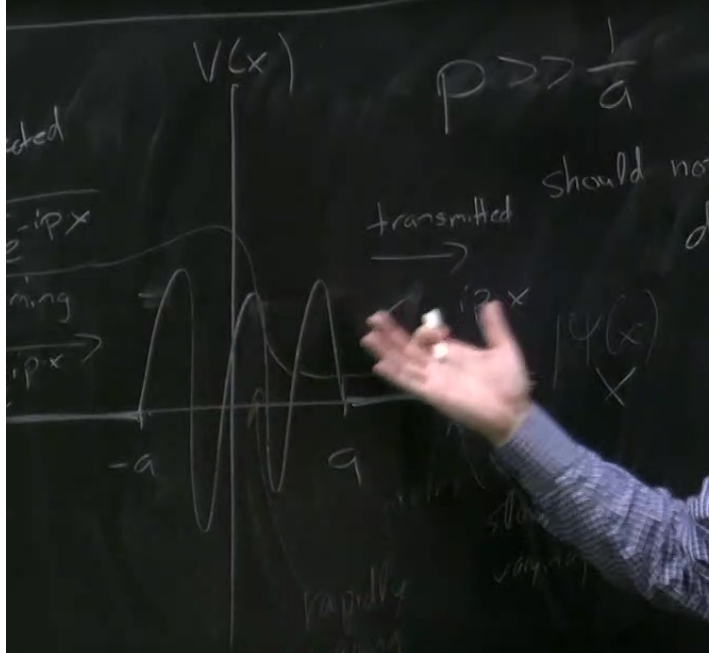
transmitted  $\rightarrow$   $Ce^{ipx}$  should not be able to probe details of potential

transmission coefficient is observable  
 $T = \frac{C}{A}$

cannot (easily) calculate T without taking into account high energy modes



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should not be able to see details of

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how to define coupling constants