

1. First, finish the textbook problem **9.2** — solve parts (d) and (e). Also, generalize part (d) to free fermionic fields in  $3 + 1$  dimensions.

2. Next, consider a scalar analogue of QCD, or more generally a theory of Yang–Mills fields  $A_\mu^a$  and complex scalars  $\Phi_i$  in some multiplet ( $r$ ) of the gauge group  $G$ .

(a) Write down the Lagrangian and the Feynman rules of this theory.

Next, consider the annihilation process  $\Phi + \Phi^* \rightarrow 2$  gauge bosons. At the tree level, there are four Feynman diagrams contributing to this process.

(b) Draw the diagrams and write down the tree-level annihilation amplitude.

As discussed in class, amplitudes involving the non-abelian gauge fields satisfy a weak form of the Ward identity: *On-shell Amplitudes involving a longitudinally polarized gauge bosons vanish, provided all the other gauge bosons are transversely polarized.* In other words,

$$\mathcal{M} \equiv e_1^{\mu_1} e_2^{\mu_2} \cdots e_n^{\mu_n} \mathcal{M}_{\mu_1 \mu_2 \cdots \mu_n}(\text{momenta}) = 0$$

when  $e_1^\mu \propto k_1^\mu$  but  $e_2^\nu k_{2\nu} = \cdots = e_n^\nu k_{n\nu} = 0$ .

(c) Verify this identity for the scalar annihilation amplitude.

3. Finally, a big reading assignment: §12.1 of the *Peskin & Schroeder* textbook about integrating out of the short-distance modes and the Wilsonian renormalization. Also, read §12.4 of the Weinberg's book (vol. 1) about the same subjects.

These issues are important, and I wish I could spend a lecture or two explaining them. Alas, the class time is too short, hence this assignment.