

1. Due Wednesday, February 24 (2021).

First, finish the textbook problem **10.2** — calculate to one-loop order the infinite parts of all the counterterms of the pseudoscalar Yukawa theory.

Hint: the infinite part of the four-scalar amplitude $iV(k_1, \dots, k_4)$ does not depend on the scalar's momenta, so you may calculate it for any particular k_1, \dots, k_4 you like, on-shell or off-shell. I suggest you take $k_1 = k_2 = k_3 = k_4 = 0$, so in any one-loop diagram all the propagators in the loop have the same momentum q — which makes evaluating such a diagram much simpler.

Likewise, the infinite part of the one-scalar-two-fermions amplitude $\Gamma^5(p', p)$ does not depend on the momenta p, p' , or $k = p' - p$, so you may calculate it for any p and p' you like, on-shell or off shell. Again, letting $p = p' = 0$ makes for a much simpler calculation of the one-loop diagram(s).

2. Due Tuesday, March 2 (2021).

Next, consider the electric charge renormalization in the scalar QED — the theory of a EM field A^μ interacting with a charged scalar field Φ . At the one-loop level, there are two Feynman diagrams contributing to the 1PI two-photon amplitude, namely

$$i\Sigma_{1\text{loop}}^{\mu\nu} = \text{[Diagram 1: wavy line, green circle labeled '1 loop', wavy line]} = \text{[Diagram 2: wavy line, loop of dashed lines with arrows, wavy line]} + \text{[Diagram 3: wavy line, loop of wavy lines, wavy line]} \quad (1)$$

- (a) Evaluate the two diagrams using dimensional regularization and verify that the net amplitude has form

$$\Sigma_{1\text{loop}}^{\mu\nu}(k) = (k^2 g^{\mu\nu} - k^\mu k^\nu) \times \Pi_{1\text{loop}}(k^2) \quad (2)$$

- (b) Calculate the $\Pi^{1\text{loop}}(k^2)$ due to two diagrams (1), add the δ_3 counter-term's con-

tribution, then determine the $\delta_3^{\text{order } \alpha^1}$ coefficient — including its finite part, — and write down the *combined* $\Pi_{\text{order } \alpha^1}^{\text{net}}$ as a function of k^2 .

- (c) Consider the effective coupling $\alpha_{\text{eff}}(k^2)$ of the scalar QED at high off-shell momenta, $k^2 \gg m^2$. Show that at the one-loop level,

$$\frac{1}{\alpha_{\text{eff}}(k^2)} = \frac{1}{\alpha(0)} - \frac{1}{12\pi} \left(\log \frac{-k^2}{m^2} - \frac{8}{3} \right) + O(\alpha). \quad (3)$$

3. Due Tuesday March 2.

Finally, a big reading assignment: [my notes on diagrammatic proof of the Ward–Takahashi identities](#). Please go *carefully* through the algebra, and make sure you understand the diagrammatic proof of the identities.

Update 2/20, 11:45 PM: I have just finished reorganizing my notes on the Ward–Takahashi identities, which ended in two new sets: [notes on WT identities and the current conservation](#) will be used in my lectures on 2/24–26/2021, while [notes on diagrammatic proof of the WT identities](#) is your reading assignment. In terms of [my old notes](#) — which were linked to the earlier version of this homework — your reading assignment is the first $20\frac{1}{2}$ pages.