

Def.: A one-particle irreducible (1PI) diagram cannot be split in two by removing a single line.

Example:  is 1PI,  is not.

-  $i\Sigma(p)$  is the sum of all 1PI diagrams with two external lines.

$$-i\Sigma(p) = \leftarrow \text{1PI} \leftarrow = \text{cloud} + \text{cloud} + \dots$$

$$\text{We can now write } \int d^4x \langle 0 | T \psi(x) \bar{\psi}(0) | 0 \rangle e^{ipx}$$

$$= \leftarrow + \leftarrow \text{1PI} \leftarrow + \leftarrow \text{1PI} \leftarrow \text{1PI} \leftarrow + \dots$$

$$= \frac{i}{p - m_0 - \Sigma(p)} \quad \text{see EX 5 \& EX 8}$$

$$\text{Therefore: } [p - m_0 - \Sigma(p)]|_{p=m} = 0$$

$$\approx (p-m) \left( 1 - \frac{d\Sigma}{dp} \Big|_{p=m} \right) = 1/z_2 + O((p-m)^2)$$

Now we can finally calculate

$$\delta m = m - m_0 = \sum_2 (p=m) \approx \sum_2 (p=m_0)$$

$$\delta m = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} m_0 \int_0^1 dx (2-x) \log \left( \frac{x\Lambda^2}{(1-x)^2 m_0^2 + x\mu^2} \right)$$

Diverges for  $\Lambda \rightarrow \infty$ :

$$\delta m \xrightarrow[\Lambda \rightarrow \infty]{\alpha} \frac{3\alpha}{4} m_0 \log \left( \frac{\Lambda^2}{m_0^2} \right)$$

We will address this issue when we discuss renormalisation.

$$\delta z_2 = \frac{d\Sigma_2}{dp} \Big|_{p=m} = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \int_0^1 dx \left[ -x \log \frac{x\Lambda^2}{(1-x)^2 m_0^2 + x\mu^2} \right. \\ \left. + 2(2-x) \frac{x(1-x)m^2}{(1-x)^2 m_0^2 + x\mu^2} \right]$$

Also log UV divergence.

### 6.3. Dimensional Regularisation

Idea: making divergent integral convergent by introducing a parameter

↳ different ways to do this might give different results for observables  $\rightsquigarrow$  regulator breaks symmetry

choose regulator which is compatible with postulated sym.

We already encountered Pauli-Villars reg.

gauge invariant but not covariant  $\rightsquigarrow$  fails for QCD

$\hookrightarrow$  dimensional regularisation

Idea: compute integrals as an analytic function of dimension, i.e. from last lecture

$$I = \int \frac{d^d l_E}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{1}{(l_E^2 + \Delta)^2} = \underbrace{\int \frac{d D \omega d}{(2\pi)^d}}_A \cdot \underbrace{\int_0^\infty d l_E \frac{l_E^{d-1}}{(l_E^2 + \Delta)^2}}_B$$

A)  $\int d D \omega d = \frac{2\pi^{d/2}}{\Gamma(d/2)}$  (surface area of d-dim unit sphere)

B)  $= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty d(l_E^2) \frac{1}{(l_E^2 + \Delta)^2} \frac{(l_E^2)^{\frac{d}{2}-1}}{(l_E^2 + \Delta)^2} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\Delta}\right)^{2-\frac{d}{2}} \int_0^1 dx x^{1-\frac{d}{2}} (1-x)^{\frac{d}{2}-1}$

$$X = \Delta/(l_E^2 + \Delta)$$

Trick:  $\int_0^1 dx x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1} = B(\alpha, \beta) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha) \Gamma(\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}$

$$= \frac{1}{(4\pi)^{d/2}} \frac{\Gamma(2-\frac{d}{2})}{\Gamma(2)} \left(\frac{1}{\Delta}\right)^{2-\frac{d}{2}}$$

expand around  $d=4+\epsilon$

$$\Gamma(2 - \frac{d}{2}) = \Gamma(\varepsilon/2) = \frac{2}{\varepsilon} - \gamma + O(\varepsilon)$$

$\approx 0.5772$  cancels in  
Observables

$$\lim_{d \rightarrow 4} I = \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left( \frac{2}{\varepsilon} - \log \Delta - \gamma + \log(4\pi) + O(\varepsilon) \right)$$

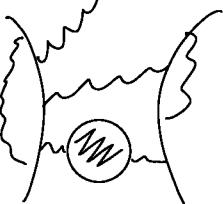
vs. Pauli-Villars from last lecture

$$\lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} I = \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left( \log \Lambda^2 - \log \Delta + O(\Lambda^{-1}) \right)$$

## 7. Renormalisation

Task: give a physical interpretation for divergencies

### 7.1. Counting of UV divergencies

Example QED:   $\sim \int \frac{d^4 k_1 \dots d^4 k_L}{(k_1 - m) \dots (k_j^2)}$

Def.: superficial degree of divergence

$$D \equiv (\text{power of } k \text{ in numerator}) - (\text{power of } k \text{ in denominator})$$

$$= 4L - P_e - 2P_\gamma \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \# \text{ photon propagators} \\ \# \text{ Loops} \quad \# \text{ electron propagators} \end{array}$$

Naive:  $\bullet \Lambda^D$  divergence for  $D > 0$   often wrong  
cut off  $\bullet \log \Lambda \rightarrow 0 \quad D = 0$    
 $\bullet \text{no} \rightarrow 0 \quad D < 0$

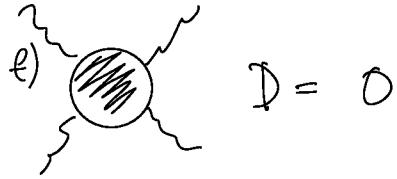
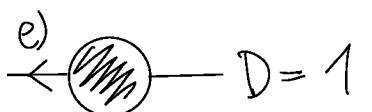
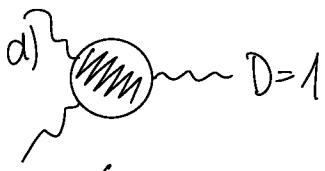
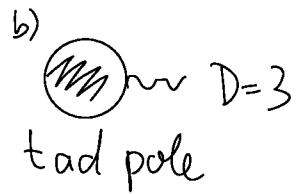
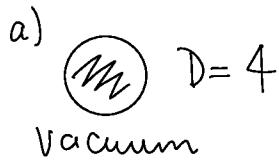
$$L = P_e + P_\gamma - V + 1 \quad \# \text{ vertices}$$

$$V = 2P_\gamma + N_\gamma = \frac{1}{2}(2P_e + N_e) \quad \# \text{ external legs}$$

$$D = 4 - N_\gamma - \frac{3}{2}N_e$$

only depends on the number of external legs!

Candidates for "primitively" divergent integrals in QED:



a) just shift vacuum energy

b) = 0 by Lorentz invariance

c) = 0  $\frac{1}{1} \frac{1}{1}$

f) is finite by symmetry

→ only 3 left, they renormalise the electron's  
 e) mass and g) coupling to the em field  
 ↗ log div.                      ↗ log div.  
 and the polarisation of the vacuum c)