

QFT 3: Problem Set 3

(1) Rewrite gauge-fixing term as:

$$L_{gf} = -\frac{1}{2\xi} \sum_{i=1}^3 \left(\partial_\mu A_\mu^i + g \xi \left(\phi_0^\dagger T_i \phi_1 \right) \right)^2 - \frac{1}{2\xi'} \left(\partial_\mu B^\mu + g' \xi' \frac{1}{2} \left(\phi_0^\dagger \phi_1 \right) \right)^2$$

where $\phi_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix} = \langle \phi \rangle$

$$\phi_1 = \phi - \phi_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} -i(\phi^1 - i\phi^2) \\ h + i\phi^3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -i\phi^+ \\ h + i\phi^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

and generators $T_i = \frac{1}{2} \sigma^i$ $T^0 = \mathbb{1}$

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_0^\dagger T^1 \phi_1 &= -\frac{iv}{4} (\phi^1 - i\phi^2) \\ \phi_0^\dagger T^2 \phi_1 &= \frac{v}{4} (\phi^1 - i\phi^2) \\ \phi_0^\dagger T^3 \phi_1 &= -\frac{v}{4} (h + i\phi^3) \end{aligned}$$

Summing up all the above in L_{gf} mass terms

$$L_{gf} = -\frac{1}{2\xi} \left(\left(\frac{g\xi v}{2} \right)^2 (\phi_1^2 + \phi_2^2) + \frac{(g^2 + g'^2)\xi v}{2} \phi_3^2 \right)$$

$$m_{\phi_1} = m_{\phi_2} = \frac{g v \sqrt{3}}{2} \quad m_{\phi_3} = \frac{\sqrt{g^2 + g'^2} v \sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$m_h = 0$$

No mass term for any $v(\phi)$ since must be gauge invariant.

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Ghost mass: quadratic terms in ghost action:

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_{ab}^2 &= g_a g_b \{ \phi_0^+ \{ \tau^a, \tau^b \} \phi_0 \} \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} g^2 \{ \phi_0^+ \{ \sigma^i, \sigma^j \} \phi_0 \} + \frac{1}{2} g'^2 \{ \phi_0^+ \phi_0 \delta_{00} \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{2} g g' \{ \phi_0^+ \sigma^i \phi_0 \delta_0^j + \phi_0^+ \sigma^j \phi_0 \delta_0^i \}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} g^2 \{ \delta^{ij} + \frac{1}{2} g'^2 \{ \phi_0^+ \phi_0 \delta^{00} + \frac{1}{2} g g' \{ \phi_0^+ (\delta^{03} + \delta^{20}) \} \}$$

$$\Rightarrow M_{ab}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} g^2 \delta^{ij} & & & \\ & g^2 \delta^{ij} & & \\ & & g^2 \delta^{ij} - g g' \delta^{ij} & \\ & & -g g' \delta^{ij} & g'^2 \delta^{ij} \end{pmatrix}$$

Diagonalize \Rightarrow

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mu_{1,2} &= g \sqrt{3} \\
 \mu_3 &= \sqrt{g^2 + g'^2} \sqrt{3} \\
 \mu_4 &= 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

propagators are just:

Goldstones: $\frac{i \delta_{ab}}{k^2 - \mu_{ab}^2} \quad a \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow b$

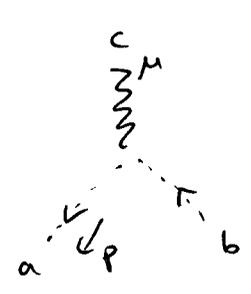
ghosts: $\frac{i \delta_{ab}}{k^2 - M_{ab}^2} \quad a \dots \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow b$

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Ghost - gauge vertex:

$$L_{ghost} = \bar{c}^a \left(-\partial^2 \delta^{ab} - g f^{acb} A_\mu^c \right) c^b$$



$$\downarrow$$

$$- g f^{acb} P^\mu$$

(for $SU(2) \times U(1)$ $f^{acb} \rightarrow \epsilon^{acb}$
 $a \in \{1, 2, 3\}$, 0 otherwise)

Goldstone - gauge - ~~from ϕ breaking terms~~

Get the same terms as usual from $D_\mu \phi^\dagger D^\mu \phi$ - let's not deal with those.

Interested in terms you get as result of gauge fixing.

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$$-\frac{1}{2\xi} \left\{ \left[\partial_\mu A^{\mu\alpha} - 2 \operatorname{Im} (\phi_0^\dagger \tau^\alpha \phi') g_\alpha \xi \right]^2 \right\} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2\xi} \left(\partial_\mu A^{\mu i} \partial_\nu A^{\nu i} + \partial_\mu B \partial^\mu B \right) \leftarrow \text{gauge kinetic}$$

$$- 4g\xi \partial_\mu A^{i\mu} \operatorname{Im} (\phi_0^\dagger \tau^i \phi')$$

$$- 2g'\xi \partial_\mu B^\mu \operatorname{Im} (\phi_0^\dagger \phi')$$

$$+ 4g^2 \xi^2 \left(\operatorname{Im} (\phi_0^\dagger \tau^i \phi') \right)^2$$

$$+ g'^2 \xi^2 \left(\operatorname{Im} (\phi_0^\dagger \phi') \right)^2$$

new gauge-goldstone interactions (*)

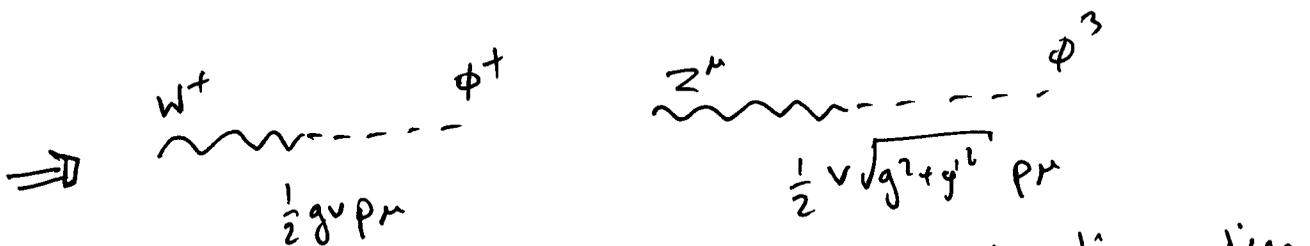
$$\operatorname{Im} (\phi_0^\dagger \phi') = \frac{1}{2} v \phi^3$$

$$\operatorname{Im} (\phi_0^\dagger \tau^i \phi') = -\frac{v}{4} \phi^i$$

$$(*) \rightarrow = -\frac{1}{2\xi} \left(-4g\xi \partial_\mu A^{i\mu} \left(-\frac{v}{4} \phi^i\right) - g'\xi \partial_\mu B^\mu \phi^3 \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} g v \partial_\mu A^{i\mu} \phi^i + \frac{1}{2} v g' \partial_\mu B^\mu \phi^3$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} g v \left[\partial_\mu (W^+) \phi^- + \partial_\mu (W^-) \phi^+ \right] + \frac{1}{2} v \sqrt{g^2 + g'^2} \partial_\mu Z^\mu \phi^3$$



are our two new interaction vertices

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(2)
$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{\mu\nu a} - \frac{\mu^2 g^2}{2} \text{Tr} [A_\mu A^\mu]$$

Start with partition fun:

$$Z = \int \mathcal{D}A e^{iS[A]} \stackrel{\text{fix gauge}}{=} \int \mathcal{D}\alpha \delta(G(A^\alpha)) \left| \frac{\delta G(A)}{\delta \alpha} \right| \int \mathcal{D}A e^{iS[A]}$$

where
$$A^\alpha = U(A + \frac{i}{g} \partial_\mu) U^\dagger$$

Want to have no U's in $\int \mathcal{D}A^\alpha$ -term for decoupling.

• $\mathcal{D}A^\alpha = \mathcal{D}A$ by translation invariance

•
$$\mathcal{L}[A^\alpha] = -\mu^2 g^2 \text{Tr} [A_\mu^\alpha A^{\mu\alpha}] = -\mu^2 g^2 \text{Tr} \left[\left(U A_\mu U^\dagger + \frac{i}{g} U \partial_\mu U^\dagger \right) \times \left(U A^\mu U^\dagger + \frac{i}{g} U \partial^\mu U^\dagger \right) \right]$$

$$= -\mu^2 g^2 \text{Tr} \left(A_\mu A^\mu - \frac{i}{g} U A_\mu \partial^\mu U^\dagger + \frac{i}{g} \partial_\mu U^\dagger U A^\mu - \frac{1}{g^2} U \partial_\mu U^\dagger U \partial^\mu U^\dagger \right)$$

$$= -\mu^2 g^2 \text{Tr} \left(g^2 A_\mu A^\mu - 2ig A_\mu \partial^\mu U^\dagger U + \partial_\mu U \partial^\mu U^\dagger \right)$$

by $(U U^\dagger) = 1$
 $\Rightarrow \partial_\mu U U^\dagger + U \partial_\mu U^\dagger = 0$

\Rightarrow we get the interaction terms and can't separate the gauge terms completely

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2cH
SU(2) + Higgs doublet; $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$ VEV $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix}$, $|v| < \infty$

→ gauge fields mass $gv/\sqrt{2}$

→ scalar $\phi = U \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v+h \end{pmatrix}$, $U \in \text{SU}(2)$
 $U = \exp(i \frac{1}{3} a \sigma^a / 2)$

Higgs potential $V(\phi) = \lambda/4 \left(\phi^\dagger \phi - v^2/2 \right)^2$
 $= \lambda/4 \left(h^2/2 + 2vh \right)^2$

$$\Rightarrow m_h^2 = 2\lambda v \rightarrow \infty$$

$$m_{\xi^a}^2 = 0$$

⇒ h is non-dynamical ⇒ integrate out ~~it~~

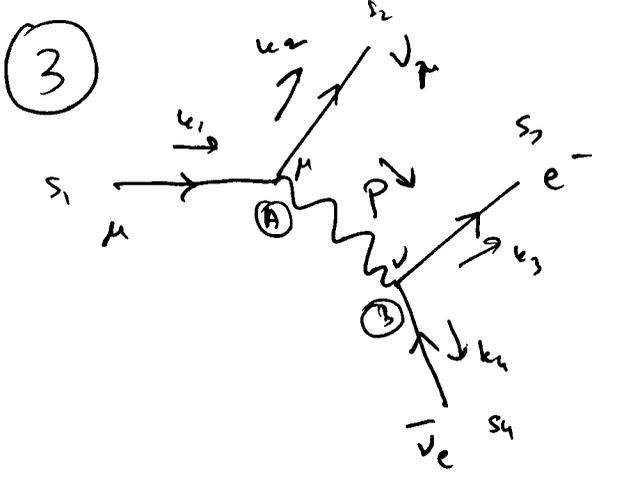
cf: Proca non Lagrangian

— 3 massive gauge vectors, mass $\mu^2 g^2$

— 3 massless scalars

⇒ same field content and masses if $\mu^2 = v^2/2$

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with vertices

(A) $\frac{ig}{\sqrt{2}} \gamma^\mu \frac{1-\gamma^5}{2}$

(B) $\frac{ig}{\sqrt{2}} \gamma^\nu \frac{(1-\gamma^5)}{2}$

\vec{P} $\frac{-ig_{\mu\nu}}{p^2 - m_w^2}$

$$M = \left(\bar{u}^{s_1}(k_1) \frac{ig}{\sqrt{2}} \gamma^\mu \frac{(1-\gamma^5)}{2} u^{s_2}(k_2) \right) \frac{-ig_{\mu\nu}}{p^2 - m_w^2} \cdot \left(\bar{u}^{s_3}(k_3) \frac{ig}{\sqrt{2}} \gamma^\nu \frac{1-\gamma^5}{2} v^{s_4}(k_4) \right)$$

Sum over spins

$$|M|^2 = \frac{g^4}{4 \cdot 64} \sum_{s_i} \bar{v}^{s_3}(k_4) (\gamma^\mu (1-\gamma^5))_{\alpha\beta} u^{s_3}(k_3) \bar{u}^{s_2}(k_2) (\gamma_\mu (1-\gamma^5))_{\alpha\beta} u^{s_1}(k_1) \bar{u}^{s_1}(k_1) (\gamma^\nu (1-\gamma^5))_{\gamma\delta} u^{s_2}(k_2) \bar{u}^{s_3}(k_3) (\gamma_\nu (1-\gamma^5))_{\gamma\delta} v^{s_4}(k_4) \times \frac{(p^2 - m_w^2)^2}{(p^2 - m_w^2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{g^4}{4 \cdot 64} \text{Tr} \left[(\not{k}_1 + m_\mu) \gamma^\nu (1-\gamma^5) \not{k}_2 \gamma_\mu (1-\gamma^5) \right] \times \text{Tr} \left[\not{k}_4 \gamma^\mu (1-\gamma^5) (\not{k}_3 + m_e) \gamma_\nu (1-\gamma^5) \right]$$

$$\cdot \frac{1}{(p^2 - m_w^2)^2}$$

(Assuming $m_e = 0$)

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• Drop masses

• Take $k_{1\alpha} k_{2\beta} \text{Tr} [\gamma^\alpha \gamma^\nu (1-\gamma^5) \gamma^\beta \gamma^\mu (1-\gamma^5)]$

$$= 8 [k_1^\mu k_2^\nu - (k_1 \cdot k_2) g^{\mu\nu} + k_1^\nu k_2^\mu - i k_{1\alpha} k_{2\beta} \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\mu\nu}]$$

Taking $\epsilon^{\alpha\beta\mu\nu} \epsilon_{\alpha\beta\mu\nu} = -2 (\delta^\mu_\rho \delta^\nu_\sigma - \delta^\mu_\sigma \delta^\nu_\rho)$

$\epsilon^{\alpha\beta\mu\nu} k_{1\mu} k_{2\nu} k_{2\mu} k_{1\nu} = 0$ since not linearly dependent

get $|M|^2 = \frac{g^4}{(p^2 - m_W^2)^2} (k_2 \cdot k_4) (k_1 \cdot k_3)$

$$\approx \frac{g^4}{m_W^4} (k_2 \cdot k_4) (k_1 \cdot k_3)$$

In SM, $m_W = g v / 2$

$$\Rightarrow v \neq \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{|M|^2}{(k_1 \cdot k_3) (k_2 \cdot k_4)} \right)^{1/4}$$

\Rightarrow measure $|M|^2$, get v !