Advanced Quantum Field Theory SS 2019

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Sheet 3: Yang-Mills renormalization at 1-loop (24.05.2019)

1 Feynman rules

The SU(N)-invariant Lagrangian of non-Abelian gauge fields coupled to a fermion and a scalar multiplet in the fundamental representation of SU(N) is given, in a covariant gauge, by

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} (F^{a}_{\mu\nu})^{2} - \frac{1}{2\xi} (\partial_{\mu}A_{\nu})^{2} + (\partial_{\mu}\bar{c}^{a})D^{ac}_{\mu}c^{c} + \bar{\psi}_{i}\gamma^{\mu}(iD^{\mu}_{ij} - m\delta_{ij})\psi_{j} + (D^{\mu}_{ik}\phi_{k})^{*}(D^{\mu}_{ij}\phi_{j}) - M^{2}\phi^{*}_{i}\phi_{i}, \qquad (1)$$

where

$$D^{ac}_{\mu}c^{c} = \delta^{ac}\partial_{\mu} + gf^{abc}A^{b}_{\mu}c^{c}, \qquad (2)$$
$$D^{\mu}_{ij}\{\psi_{j},\phi_{j}\} = (\delta_{ij}\partial^{\mu} - igT^{a}_{ij}A^{a\,\mu})\{\psi_{j},\phi_{j}\}.$$

Derive the Feynman rules for the triple-gluon vertex, the ghost-gluon vertex and the scalar-scalar-gluon vertex.

2 Charge universality

The ghost field renormalization constant Z_{3c} and the ghost-gluon vertex renormalization constant Z_{1c} in the renormalized SU(N) non-Abelian gauge theory are defined by

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -Z_{3c} \,\bar{c}^a \Box c_a + g Z_{1c} \,f^{abc} (\partial^\mu \bar{c}^a) A^b_\mu c^c \tag{3}$$

where g is the renormalized coupling constant.

Compute Z_{3c} and Z_{1c} in Feynman gauge at 1-loop and verify, at leading g^2 order, that $Z_{1c}/Z_{3c} = Z_1/Z_2$, where Z_2 and Z_1 are the renormalization constants of the fermion kinetic term and the fermion-gluon interaction respectively,

$$Z_{1} = 1 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \left(\frac{g^{2}}{16\pi^{2}} \right) \left[-2C_{F} - 2C_{A} \right], \qquad (4)$$

$$Z_{2} = 1 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \left(\frac{g^{2}}{16\pi^{2}} \right) \left[-2C_{F} \right],$$

in minimal subtraction with dimensional regularization. You will need to use the relation

$$f^{adf} f^{feb} f^{ced} = \frac{N}{2} f^{abc} \,. \tag{5}$$

3 Running coupling

Compute the contribution of a scalar multiplet in a generic irreducible representation of SU(N), **R**, to the corresponding non-Abelian β -function. You will need the relation

$$\operatorname{Tr}[T^{a}T^{b}] = T(\mathbf{R})\delta^{ab}, \qquad (6)$$

where $T(\mathbf{R})$ is the index of the representation. Note that only the scalar-scalar-gluon vertex is needed in dimensional regularization. Argue why the seagull scalar graph can be ignored.