

## Wick's theorem in graphical practice

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$$g^{(n)}(1, \dots, n; n', \dots, n') = \sum_{\text{all permutations}} \xi^P g^{(n)}_o(1, p(1)) \dots g^{(n')}_o(n, p(n))$$

Graphically:

just the right sign for  $n$  one-point functions,  $(g_o)^n$

$$\langle - \rangle \langle \psi_1 \psi_2 \psi_3 \dots \psi_n \psi_{n'}^+ \dots \psi_{3'}^+ \psi_{2'}^+ \psi_{1'}^+ \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle - \rangle \langle \psi_1 \psi_{1'}^+ \rangle \langle - \rangle \langle \psi_2 \psi_{2'}^+ \rangle \langle - \rangle \langle \psi_3 \psi_{3'}^+ \rangle \\ = g_o(1, 1') g_o(2, 2') g_o(3, 3')$$

one switch:  $\xi$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & & 3' & 2' & 1' \\ | & & | & & | & & | \\ \hline & & & & & & \end{array}$$

$$+ \xi \langle - \rangle \langle \psi_1 \psi_{2'}^+ \rangle \langle - \rangle \langle \psi_2 \psi_{1'}^+ \rangle \dots \\ = \xi^2 g_o(1, 2') g_o(2, 1') g_o(3, 3') \dots$$

two switches:  $\xi^2$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 1 & 2 & 3 & & 3' & 2' & 1' \\ | & & | & & | & & | \\ & & & & & & \end{array}$$

$$+ \xi^2 \langle - \rangle \langle \psi_1 \psi_{1'}^+ \rangle \langle - \rangle \langle \psi_2 \psi_{2'}^+ \rangle \dots \\ = \xi^2 g_o(1, 3') g_o(2, 1') g_o(3, 2')$$

+ ...

## Diagrammatic perturbation theory

(Richter, § 3.2)

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Goal: diagrammatic  
rules for evaluating:

$$g^{(1,2)} = - \frac{\langle T_\tau \hat{U}_I(\beta) \psi_I^{(1)} \psi_I^{(2)} \rangle_o}{\langle T_\tau \hat{U}_I(\beta) \rangle_o} \quad (1)$$

$$\hat{H}_0 = \int dx \psi^f(x) h_0 \psi(x) \quad (2)$$

$$\hat{H}' = \frac{1}{2} \int dx \int dx' \psi^f(x) \psi^f(x') v(x, x') \psi(x') \psi(x) \equiv v(x'', x') \delta(\tau_i - \tau_i') \quad (3)$$

$$\int_0^\beta d\tau_i' H_I'(\tau_i') = \frac{1}{2} \int d\tau'' \int d\tau' \psi^{(1'')}_I \psi^{(1')}_I v(\tau'', \tau') \psi(\tau') \psi(\tau'') \equiv \psi_I(\tau_i', x_i') \equiv \psi_I(\tau_i', x_i) \quad (4)$$

Note: in Hamiltonian, we represent  $\psi(\tau_i) \psi(\tau_i)$  by  $\psi(\tau_i + \alpha) \psi(\tau_i)$   
so that  $T_\tau (\psi^+(\tau_i) \psi(\tau_i))$  automatically yields the correct order.

Rule of thumb: "creation operators are at slightly larger times than annihilation op."

Partition function:

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$$Z = \text{Tr}[e^{-\beta H}] \stackrel{(1.1)}{=} \text{Tr}[e^{-\beta H_I} U_I(\beta)] = \langle U_I(\beta) \rangle. \quad (1)$$

$$\stackrel{(1.2)}{=} \langle T_\tau e^{-\int_0^\beta d\tau_i H'_I(\tau_i)} \rangle. \quad (2)$$

$$\stackrel{(1.4)}{=} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} (-)^n \int_0^\beta d\tau_1 \dots \int_0^\beta d\tau_n \langle T_\tau H'_I(\tau_1) \dots H'_I(\tau_n) \rangle. \quad (3)$$

$$\stackrel{(1.4)}{=} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \int d\tau'' \int d\tau' \dots \int d\tau^n \nu(\tau'', \tau') \dots \nu(\tau^n, \tau') \\ \times \langle T_\tau \psi^+(\tau'') \psi^+(\tau') \psi(\tau') \psi(\tau'') \dots \psi^+(\tau^n) \psi^+(\tau') \psi(\tau') \psi(\tau^n) \rangle. \quad (4)$$

rearrange into two useful alternative orders (both get sign of (+1), since  $(\psi \psi)$  or  $(\psi^\dagger \psi^\dagger)$  are moved past each other pairwise)

$$= (-)^{2n} \langle T_\tau \psi^+(\tau'') \psi(\tau'') \psi^+(\tau') \psi(\tau') \dots \psi^+(\tau^n) \psi(\tau^n) \psi^+(\tau') \psi(\tau') \rangle \quad (5)$$

insert factor

$$\downarrow = (-)^{2n} \langle T_\tau \psi(\tau') \psi(\tau'') \dots \psi(\tau^n) \psi(\tau^n) \psi^+(\tau'') \psi^+(\tau') \dots \psi^+(\tau') \psi(\tau') \rangle \quad (6)$$

Identify correlator as  $\mathcal{G}_0^{(2n)}$ :

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$$Z \stackrel{(32.6)}{=} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \int d\tau'' \int d\tau' \dots \int d\tau^n \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \nu(\tau'', \tau') \dots \nu(\tau^n, \tau') \\ \times \mathcal{G}_0^{(2n)}(\tau'', \tau', \dots, \tau^n, \tau'; \tau'_+, \tau'_+, \dots, \tau'_{+}, \tau'_{+}) \quad (1)$$

$$\equiv \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} Z_{[n]} \quad (\text{expansion in powers of } \nu) \quad (2)$$

Consider lowest terms explicitly:

$$Z_{[0]} = 1 \quad (3)$$

$$Z_{[1]} \stackrel{(32.5)}{=} \int d\tau'' \int d\tau' \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \nu(\tau'', \tau') (-)^2 \langle T_\tau \underbrace{\psi^+(\tau'') \psi(\tau'')}_{a} \underbrace{\psi^+(\tau') \psi(\tau')}_{b} \underbrace{\psi(\tau') \psi(\tau'')}_{c} \rangle \quad (4)$$

Wick

$$= \int d\tau'' \int d\tau' \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \nu(\tau'', \tau') \left[ \cancel{\mathcal{G}}_0^{(2)}(\tau'', \tau'') \mathcal{G}_0^{(2)}(\tau', \tau') + \cancel{\mathcal{G}}_0^{(2)}(\tau'', \tau') \mathcal{G}_0^{(2)}(\tau', \tau'') \right] \quad (5)$$

Diagrammatic shorthand:



Some Feynman rules:

(1) Factor  $v(i'', i')$  for the interaction line 

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(1)

(2)  $g_{(1,2)}$  for the particle propagator 

(2)

(3) Factor  $\xi$  for each closed loop, because such a loop (say with  $m$  interaction lines) requires odd # of switches relative to original order in (32.5):

$$\text{odd number of permutations : } \xi \quad (4)$$

$$\left( \varphi_{1''}^+ \varphi_{1''}^- \right) \left( \varphi_{1'}^+ \varphi_{1'}^- \right) \dots \left( \varphi_{m''}^+ \varphi_{m''}^- \right) \left( \varphi_{m'}^+ \varphi_{m'}^- \right)$$

$$= \xi \underbrace{\left( - \right)^{2m}}_{\text{factor 1}} \underbrace{\varphi_{1''}^+}_{\text{1}} \underbrace{\varphi_{1'}^+}_{\text{2}} \underbrace{\varphi_{2''}^+}_{\text{3}} \underbrace{\varphi_{2'}^+}_{\text{4}} \dots \underbrace{\varphi_{m''}^+}_{\text{m}} \underbrace{\varphi_{m'}^+}_{\text{m+1}} \underbrace{\varphi_{1''}^-}_{\text{m+2}}$$

2m contractions, unentangled

$$= \xi g_{(1'', 1')} g_{(1', 2)} \dots g_{(m'', m')} g_{(m', 1)}$$

(4) Extra overall sign: none, since each  $H_I \sim \varphi^+ \varphi^+ \varphi^- \varphi^- \sim \varphi^- \varphi^+ \varphi^+ \varphi^- \sim (-g_0)^2$  yields two factors of  $g_0$ , with no need for extra signs.

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Analogously consider numerator of (31.1):

$$= \langle T_c \hat{U}_I(\beta) \varphi_I(i) \varphi_I^+(j) \rangle \quad (1)$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \int d\mathbf{i}'' \int d\mathbf{i}' \dots \int d\mathbf{u}'' \int d\mathbf{u}' \left( -\frac{1}{2} \right)^n v(i'', i') \dots v(u'', u')$$

$$\text{as in (32.5): } \times (-)^{2n+1} \langle T_c \varphi(i) \varphi^+(i') \varphi^+(i'') \varphi^+(i''') \varphi^+(i''') \dots \varphi^+(u'') \varphi(u'') \varphi^+(u'') \varphi^+(u'') \varphi^+(u'') \rangle \quad (2)$$

$$\text{or } \text{or } = (-)^{2n+1} \langle T_c \varphi(i) \varphi(i') \varphi(i'') \dots \varphi(u') \varphi(u'') \varphi^+(u'') \varphi^+(u'') \dots \varphi^+(i'') \varphi^+(i'') \varphi^+(i'') \rangle \quad (3)$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \int d\mathbf{i}'' \int d\mathbf{i}' \dots \int d\mathbf{u}'' \int d\mathbf{u}' \left( -\frac{1}{2} \right)^n v(i'', i') \dots v(u'', u') \times g_0^{(2n+1)}(i, i', i'', \dots, n', n''; i_1, i_2, \dots, i_m, i_n) \quad (4)$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g_{[n]}^{(1,2)} \quad \text{indicates : } n \text{ powers of } v \quad (5)$$

$$g_{[n]}^{(1,2)}(i, j) = g_0^{(1,2)}(i, j) \quad \begin{array}{c} 1 \longrightarrow \\ \longleftarrow 2 \end{array} \quad (6)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{G}_{[1]}(1,2) &= \int d\mathbf{i}'' \int d\mathbf{i}' \left( -\frac{1}{2} v(\mathbf{i}'', \mathbf{i}') \right) (-)^3 \left\langle T_2 \psi(1) \psi^f(1'') \psi(1') \psi^f(1'_+) \psi(1') \psi^f(2) \right\rangle_{(1)} \\
 &\quad \text{①} \quad \text{②} \quad \text{③} \quad \text{④} \quad \text{⑤} \quad \text{⑥} \\
 &= \int d\mathbf{i}'' \int d\mathbf{i}' \left( -\frac{1}{2} v(\mathbf{i}'', \mathbf{i}') \right) \left[ \text{①} + \text{②} + \text{③} + \text{④} + \text{⑤} + \text{⑥} \right] \quad \text{③} \quad \text{④} \quad \text{⑤} \quad \text{⑥} \\
 &\quad \text{②} \quad \text{③} \quad \text{④} \quad \text{⑤} \quad \text{⑥}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{①} + \text{②} : \quad g_o(1, 2') \left[ g_o(1'', 1'_+) g_o(1', 1'_+) + \cancel{\xi} g_o(1'', 1'_+) g_o(1', 1'_+) \right] \quad (3)$$

as in (3.6):



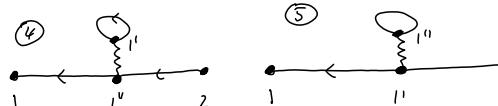
These are "disconnected" diagrams, since they factorize into two factors, one of which is independent of external vertices (1 and 2).

$$\text{③} : \quad g_o(1, 1'_+) g_o(1'', 1'_+) g_o(1', 2) \quad \text{④} \quad (3)$$



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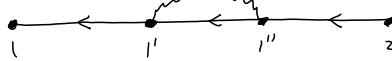
$$\text{④} : \quad \cancel{\xi} g_o(1, 1'_+) g_o(1'', 2) g_o(1', 1'_+) \quad \text{⑤} \quad (4)$$



$$\text{⑤} : \quad \cancel{\xi} g_o(1, 1'_+) g_o(1', 2) g_o(1'', 1'_+) \quad (5)$$



$$\text{⑥} : \quad g_o(1, 1'_+) g_o(1', 1'_+) g_o(1'', 2) \quad (6)$$



- Factor  $\xi$  for every loop. (confirming 34.3) (4)

- by relabelling integration variables  $1' \leftrightarrow 1''$ , we see :  $\text{③} = \text{⑥}$ ,  $\text{④} = \text{⑤}$  (5)

- In general: Factor  $\frac{1}{2}$  in  $t1'$  is usually compensated by factor 2 from  $\int d\mathbf{i}'' \int d\mathbf{i}' = \int d\mathbf{i}' \int d\mathbf{i}''$ . Graphical argument: external line can always be attached in two ways :



- Extra overall sign: none, since  $-\langle \psi_i \psi_i^f \rangle \sim (-)^{2n+1} \langle \psi_1 (\psi_1^+ \psi_2^f \psi_2^+) \psi_2^+ \rangle \sim (g_o)^{2n+1}$

- "Connected diagrams": cannot be separated into two parts without cutting one line (1)
- "Disconnected diagrams": can be separated " " " " " " " " (2)  
 $\Rightarrow$  factorizes completely into two factors.

$$-\langle T_C U_I \psi_1 \psi_2^+ \rangle = - + \text{omo} + \text{uno} + \text{pmu} + \text{pmu} + \text{pmu} + \text{pmu} + \text{pmu} + \text{pmu} + \dots$$

$$= \sum_n \frac{1}{2^n} \frac{1}{n!} (\sum \text{all diagrams of order } n)$$

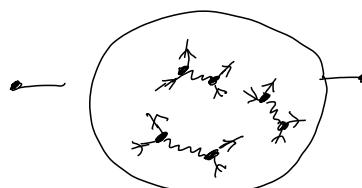
$$\begin{aligned} & \text{factorize: } (- + \text{pmu} + \text{pmu} + \dots) (1 + \text{omo} + \text{uno} + \text{pmu uno} + \text{pmu uno} + \dots) \\ & = (\underbrace{\sum \text{all connected diagrams}}_{\equiv C}) \left[ \underbrace{\sum_p \frac{1}{2^p p!} (\sum \text{all disconnected diagrams of order } p)}_{(\text{compare p. 33})} \right] \equiv D = Z = \langle U_I \rangle_0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow g = - \frac{\langle T_C U_I \psi_1 \psi_2^+ \rangle_0}{\langle U_I \rangle_0} = \frac{C \cdot D}{Z} = C = (\sum \text{all connected diagrams})$$

with prefactor 1 for all topologically distinguishable diagrams.

Combinatorial factors:

- A. Diagram of order  $(H')^n$ , (i.e.  $2n$  vertices)  
 fully connected :

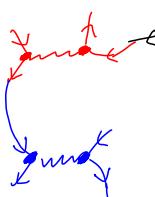


Combinatorial factor 1, since:

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \frac{1}{n!} \times (2^n n!) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{number of ways to connect the} \\ \text{"backbone" of the diagram} \end{array}$$

From  $T_C e^{-i \int d^4x' \frac{1}{2} \psi \psi \dots}$

- Connect to 1st vertex
- Connect to 2nd vertex
- ⋮
- Connect to  $n$ -th vertex



$2n$  possibilities

$2n-1$  "

$2 \cdot 1$  "

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