

QUANTUM FIELD THEORY I

written test

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Two hours. No books or notes allowed.

Consider a theory of a Dirac fermion f with field ψ and a real scalar field s with field ϕ , with Lagrangian is given by

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi - M^2 \phi^2) + \bar{\psi} (i\not{\partial} - m) \psi + g \bar{\psi} \psi \phi. \quad (1)$$

- (1) Determine the energy-momentum tensor for this theory.
- (2) Determine the internal symmetry or symmetries for this theory (namely, those which leave the space-time coordinates unchanged) and the corresponding Noether current.
- (3) Express the Noether current(s) determined in question 2 in terms of creation and annihilation operators.
- (4) Write down the Feynman rules for this theory and determine whether it is renormalizable or not.
- (5) Write down at leading nonvanishing order the Feynman diagrams and compute the square modulus of the unpolarized amplitude for the process $fs \rightarrow fs$, expressing the result in terms of Mandelstam invariants.
- (6) Discuss whether when $m = M = 0$ the *internal* symmetries of the theory are greater than for a generic choice of mass values.
- (7) Compute the trace of the energy momentum tensor of the (classical) theory and show (using the classical equations of motion) that the trace vanishes for a particular choice of the parameters g, M, m .

Hint: Integrate by parts and use the classical equations of motion.