

10.2 Renormalization of Yukawa theory. Consider the pseudoscalar Yukawa Lagrangian,

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2 + \bar{\psi} (i \not{\partial} - M) \psi - ig \bar{\psi} \gamma^5 \psi \phi,$$

where ϕ is a real scalar field and ψ is a Dirac fermion. Notice that this Lagrangian is invariant under the parity transformation $\psi(t, \mathbf{x}) \rightarrow \gamma^0 \psi(t, -\mathbf{x})$, $\phi(t, \mathbf{x}) \rightarrow -\phi(t, -\mathbf{x})$,

in which the field ϕ carries odd parity.

- (a) Determine the superficially divergent amplitudes and work out the Feynman rules for renormalized perturbation theory for this Lagrangian. Include all necessary counterterm vertices. Show that the theory contains a superficially divergent 4ϕ amplitude. This means that the theory cannot be renormalized unless one includes a scalar self-interaction,

$$\delta\mathcal{L} = \frac{\lambda}{4!}\phi^4,$$

and a counterterm of the same form. It is of course possible to set the renormalized value of this coupling to zero, but that is not a natural choice, since the counterterm will still be nonzero. Are any further interactions required?

- (b) Compute the divergent part (the pole as $d \rightarrow 4$) of each counterterm, to the one-loop order of perturbation theory, implementing a sufficient set of renormalization conditions. You need not worry about finite parts of the counterterms. Since the divergent parts must have a fixed dependence on the external momenta, you can simplify this calculation by choosing the momenta in the simplest possible way.