

Introduction to QFT

Assignment 10

Due on 03.02.16

1. (30%) Evaluate explicitly (that is, with no integrals left) the commutator

$$iD^{\mu\nu}(x-y) = [A^\mu(x), A^\nu(y)], \quad (1)$$

in the Lorenz gauge.

2. (30 %) The arbitrary state not containing any transversal photons has the form

$$|\Phi\rangle = \sum_n C_n |\Phi_n\rangle, \quad (2)$$

where C_n are constants and

$$|\Phi_n\rangle = \int d^3k_1 \dots d^3k_n f(\mathbf{k}_1 \dots \mathbf{k}_n) \prod_{i=1}^n \left(a_0^\dagger(\mathbf{k}_i) - a_3^\dagger(\mathbf{k}_i) \right) |0\rangle, \quad (3)$$

where $f(\mathbf{k}_1 \dots \mathbf{k}_n)$ are arbitrary functions. The vacuum is $|\Phi_0\rangle = |0\rangle$

a) Prove that $\langle \Phi_n | \Phi_n \rangle = \delta_{n,0}$.

b) Show that for these states $\langle A^\mu \rangle$ is a pure gauge, i.e. $\langle \Phi | A^\mu(x) | \Phi \rangle = \partial^\mu \Lambda$, where Λ is a function that you must find.

3. (40 %) If

$$i\mathcal{M} = \bar{u}(\mathbf{p}, r) \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma^5) u(\mathbf{q}, s) \epsilon^\mu(\mathbf{k}, \lambda), \quad (4)$$

calculate the sum

$$\sum_{\lambda=1}^2 \sum_{r,s=1}^2 |\mathcal{M}|^2 \quad (5)$$