

Reduction of Feynman Integrals by IBP (Integration By Parts) method

- Main idea: use an algebraic technique to reduce complicated amplitudes involving Feynman diagrams to simplest ones
- Usually loop diagrams can be expressed as integrals. We will use the following constraint:

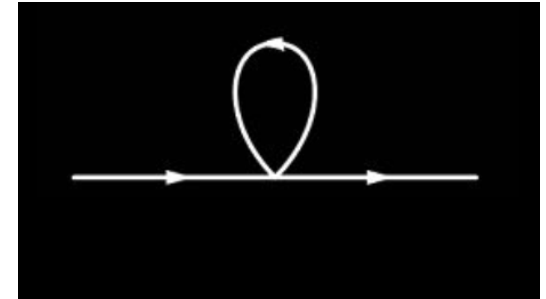
$$0 = \int d^D k \frac{\partial}{\partial k^\mu} \left(v^\mu f(k, p) \right)$$

D corresponds to the number of dimension of particles ($4 - 2\varepsilon$)

$f(k, p)$ is the integrand corresponding to the amplitude;

k^μ, p^μ are the momenta involved

Example: Massive tadpole



$$\mathcal{I}(a) = \int d^D k \frac{1}{(k^2 - m^2)^a}$$

Using the relation before (believe, Tom did the math for me):

$$\left(\frac{D - 2a}{2m^2 a} \right) \mathcal{I}(a) = \mathcal{I}(a + 1)$$

We can use this relation in a recursive way to express $\mathcal{I}(n)$ as function of $\mathcal{I}(1)$

Example: Compute: $I(5) - m^2 I(2)$

We will use the previous relation:

$$\left(\frac{D - 2a}{2m^2 a} \right) \mathcal{I}(a) = \mathcal{I}(a + 1)$$

Result:

$$I(5) - m^2 I(2) = \left(\frac{(D - 8)(D - 6)(D - 4)(D - 2)}{384m^8} + \frac{D - 2}{2} \right) \mathcal{I}(1)$$