

Solve the following two/three exercises:

**Exercise 1.**

Discuss the quantization of non-abelian gauge theories.

**Exercise 2.** (*Symmetry restoration.*)

Consider two neutral scalar fields  $\phi_1$  and  $\phi_2$  with bare Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{i=1}^2 \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi_i \partial^\mu \phi_i - \frac{m^2}{2} \phi_i^2 - \frac{\lambda_0}{4!} \phi_i^4 \right\} - \frac{g_0}{12} \phi_1^2 \phi_2^2. \quad (1)$$

- (a) Discuss the symmetries of this theory depending on the values of the two couplings  $\lambda_0 > 0$  and  $g_0 \geq 0$ .
- (b) Consider, first, the case  $\lambda_0 = 0$  and calculate the beta function  $\beta_g(g, \lambda = 0)$  of the (renormalized) coupling  $g$  at one loop, within dimensional regularization ( $\epsilon = 4 - d$ ) and minimal subtraction.  
(Hints: (i) Be careful with the combinatorial factors of the diagrams and (ii) express the result in terms of the constant  $a = 2/(4\pi)^2$ :

$$\int \frac{d^d p}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{1}{(p^2 - m^2)^2} \equiv i \frac{a}{\epsilon} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^0). \quad (2)$$

- (c) Determine the beta functions  $\beta_g(g, \lambda)$  and  $\beta_\lambda(g, \lambda)$  of the couplings  $g$  and  $\lambda$  in Eq. (1) on the sole basis of the result of point (b) and of the fact that the  $\beta$  function of the coupling constant  $\lambda$  of a theory with a  $n$ -component scalar field and  $O(n)$  symmetry is given (in  $d = 4$ ) by

$$\beta_{O(n)}(\lambda) = \frac{n+8}{6} a \lambda^2 + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^3). \quad (3)$$

Discuss the flow of the ratio  $\rho \equiv \lambda/g$  and show that, even if originally broken, an  $O(2)$  symmetry might emerge asymptotically at large distances (infrared).

**Exercise 3.\*** (*Baryon and Lepton number in the Standard Model*)

The Standard Model Lagrangian has an accidental baryon- and lepton- number global symmetry

$$U(1)_B \times U(1)_L, \quad (4)$$

under which leptons have charge  $B = 0$ ,  $L = 1$  and quarks charge  $B = 1/3$ ,  $L = 0$ . Consider one generation of SM fermions, with the inclusion of a right-handed neutrino singlet. In terms of left-handed fields, the fields are in the following  $SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$  representations:

$$(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2})_{\frac{1}{6}} + (\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1})_{-\frac{2}{3}} + (\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1})_{\frac{1}{3}} + (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2})_{-\frac{1}{2}} + (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1})_1 + (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1})_0 \quad (5)$$

- (a) Calculate all the possible anomalies involving  $U(1)_B$  and two SM gauge currents and show that  $U(1)_B$  is anomalous.
- (b) Calculate all the possible anomalies involving  $U(1)_L$  and two SM gauge currents and show that  $U(1)_L$  is anomalous.
- (c) Define a linear combination  $X = B + \eta L$  of the baryon and lepton number generators  $B$  and  $L$ . Discuss if there is a value of  $\eta$  for which  $X$  is anomaly-free and, in case, determine such value.

(\* Exercise 3 mandatory for TPP students only.