

Advanced field theory

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Lecture 2 or: Elements of non-perturbative quantum field theory

Perturbative quantisation:

- Lagrangian $\mathcal{L}(\Phi, \partial\Phi; m_B, g_B)$, quantise canonically \Rightarrow Hamiltonian H
- regularise in UV (momentum cutoff Λ) and IR (volume cutoff V)
- split $H(t) = H(0) = H_0(0) + H_I(0)$, go over to interaction picture

$$\Phi(t) = e^{iHt} e^{-iH_0t} \phi(t) e^{iH_0t} e^{-iHt}$$

$$V(t) = e^{iH_0t} H_I(0) e^{-iH_0t} = V[\phi(t)]$$

Finite number of DOF, no problem with Haag's theorem

- S -matrix via Dyson's formula

$$S = T \exp \left\{ -i \int dt V(t) \right\}$$

- expand in powers of V , use Wick's theorem

$$\langle f | S | i \rangle \rightarrow \int dt_1 \dots \int dt_n \langle f | T \{ \phi(t_1) \dots \phi(t_n) \} | i \rangle$$

\rightarrow sum of Feynman diagrams

- divergences appear, can be cured by tuning $g_B = g_B(\Lambda)$, $m_B = m_B(\Lambda)$

In momentum space

$G_n(p_1, \dots, p_{n-1})$: Fourier transf. of $\langle 0 | T \{ \Phi(t_1) \dots \Phi(t_n) \} | 0 \rangle$

Structure of divergence determined by locality and dimensionality

$$\begin{aligned} G_2(p; g_B(\Lambda), m_B(\Lambda)) &= \frac{i}{p^2 - m_B(\Lambda)^2 - \Sigma_B(p^2) + i\epsilon} \\ &= \frac{iZ_\phi(\Lambda)}{p^2 - m_{\text{phys}}^2 - \Sigma(p^2) + i\epsilon} = Z_\phi(\Lambda) G_2^R(p; g_R, m_R) \end{aligned}$$

$$G_n(p_1, \dots, p_{n-1}; g_B(\Lambda), m_B(\Lambda)) = Z_\phi(\Lambda)^{\frac{n}{2}} G_n^R(p_1, \dots, p_{n-1}; g_R, m_R)$$

S-matrix elements in terms of Green's functions \rightarrow finite

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f | S | i \rangle &= G_n(p_1, \dots, p_{n-1}) \left[Z_\phi^{-\frac{1}{2}} G_2(p_1) \dots Z_\phi^{-\frac{1}{2}} G_2(p_n) \right]^{-1} u(p_1) \dots u(p_n) \\ &= \left[G_n(p_1, \dots, p_{n-1}) Z_\phi^{-\frac{n}{2}} \right] \left[G_2^R(p_1) \dots G_2^R(p_n) \right]^{-1} u(p_1) \dots u(p_n) \\ &= G_n^R(p_1, \dots, p_{n-1}) \left[G_2^R(p_1) \dots G_2^R(p_n) \right]^{-1} u(p_1) \dots u(p_n) \end{aligned}$$

$Z_\phi^{-\frac{1}{2}} G_2(p)$ removes external propagator to be replaced by $u(p)$

$Z_\phi^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ required by different normalisation of fields

Perturbative quantisation works but theoretically not satisfactory

Appealing features:

- describes physics of interacting particles
- manifest Poincaré symmetry
- manifest locality

What would a quantum field theory look like under these assumptions?

- find general properties independent of quantisation procedure
- clarify field/particle connection
- axiomatic approaches developed by Lehmann-Symanzik-Zimmermann; Wightman; Haag; ...
- do not help with practical calculations, but help understanding QFT

What do we want from a quantum field theory? Wightman's axioms

- translation symmetry implemented by unitary $U(a) = e^{-iP \cdot a}$, $P_\mu = P_\mu^\dagger$
- unique normalisable vacuum state $|0\rangle$ translation invariant

$$P_\mu |0\rangle = 0 \quad \langle 0|0\rangle = 1$$

- fields build all states out of the vacuum, $\{P[\phi]|0\rangle\} = \mathcal{H}$
dense set of states is enough
- energy-momentum spectrum: $p^2 \geq 0$, $p_0 \geq 0 \Rightarrow |0\rangle$ has minimal p_0
 p_μ : eigenvalues of P_μ

- Lorentz symmetry implemented by unitary $U(\Lambda) \rightarrow$ full Poincaré symmetry implemented by $U(a, \Lambda) \Rightarrow |0\rangle$ Lorentz invariant

$$U(a)U(\Lambda)|0\rangle = U(\Lambda)U(\Lambda^{-1}a)|0\rangle = U(\Lambda)|0\rangle = |0\rangle \text{ by uniqueness}$$

- fields transform covariantly under Poincaré symmetry (technical)

$$U(\Lambda)^\dagger U(a)^\dagger \phi_i(x) U(a) U(\Lambda) = S_{ij}(\Lambda) \phi_j(\Lambda^{-1}x + a)$$

- microcausality (locality)

$$[\phi_i(x), \phi_j(y)]_\pm = 0 \text{ for } (x - y)^2 < 0$$

Physically motivated axioms, allow to derive many appealing properties

- cluster property

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle 0 | \phi(x_1) \dots \phi(x_n) \phi(y_1 + \lambda a) \dots \phi(y_m + \lambda a) | 0 \rangle \\ & \xrightarrow{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \langle 0 | \phi(x_1) \dots \phi(x_n) | 0 \rangle \langle 0 | \phi(y_1 + \lambda a) \dots \phi(y_m + \lambda a) | 0 \rangle \\ & = \langle 0 | \phi(x_1) \dots \phi(x_n) | 0 \rangle \langle 0 | \phi(y_1) \dots \phi(y_m) | 0 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

- Wightman's reconstruction theorem: full field theory reconstructed from vacuum expectation values $\langle 0 | \phi(x_1) \dots \phi(x_n) | 0 \rangle$
- existence of asymptotic fields, LSZ asymptotic condition (see below)
- spin/statistics theorem
- *CPT* theorem
- ...

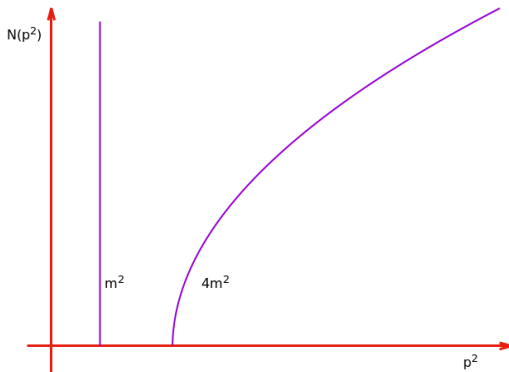
For simplicity we will make further, more detailed assumptions (some can actually be derived from the axioms)

Further assumptions on the spectrum:

- existence of single-particle states $|\mathbf{p}; \alpha\rangle$ with $p_\mu p^\mu = m_\alpha^2$

$$\langle \mathbf{p}'; \alpha' | \mathbf{p}; \alpha \rangle = \delta_{\alpha'\alpha} 2p^0 (2\pi)^3 \delta^{(3)}(\vec{\mathbf{p}}' - \vec{\mathbf{p}})$$

- vacuum and single-particle states form a discrete spectrum separated from the rest, and $\min_\alpha m_\alpha > 0$ (mass gap)



Spectral (Källén-Lehmann) representation of the propagator ($\phi = \phi^\dagger$)

$$D(x) \equiv \langle 0 | T \{ \phi(x) \phi(0) \} | 0 \rangle = \theta(x^0) \langle 0 | \phi(x) \phi(0) | 0 \rangle + \theta(-x^0) \langle 0 | \phi(0) \phi(x) | 0 \rangle$$

Insert complete set of P_μ eigenstates (including single-particle states)

$$\begin{aligned} \langle 0 | \phi(x) \phi(0) | 0 \rangle &= \sum_n \langle 0 | \phi(x) | n \rangle \langle n | \phi(0) | 0 \rangle \\ &= \sum_n \langle 0 | e^{iP \cdot x} \phi(0) e^{-iP \cdot x} | n \rangle \langle n | \phi(0) | 0 \rangle && \text{by translation invariance} \\ &= \sum_n e^{-ip_n \cdot x} |\langle 0 | \phi(0) | n \rangle|^2 && P_\mu \text{ eigenstates} \end{aligned}$$

Plug back in

$$\begin{aligned} D(x) &= \sum_n [\theta(x^0) e^{-ip_n \cdot x} + \theta(-x^0) e^{ip_n \cdot x}] |\langle 0 | \phi(0) | n \rangle|^2 \\ &= \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} [\theta(x^0) e^{-ip \cdot x} + \theta(-x^0) e^{ip \cdot x}] \varrho(p) \\ \varrho(p) &\equiv \sum_n (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(p_n - p) |\langle 0 | \phi(0) | n \rangle|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Use Lorentz invariance and $U(\Lambda)^\dagger \phi(x) U(\Lambda) = \phi(\Lambda^{-1}x)$

$$\begin{aligned}\varrho(\Lambda p) &= \sum_n (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(p_n - \Lambda p) |\langle 0 | \phi(0) | n \rangle|^2 \\ &= \sum_{n_\Lambda} (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(p_{n_\Lambda} - \Lambda p) |\langle 0 | \phi(0) | n_\Lambda \rangle|^2 \\ &= \sum_n (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(\Lambda p_n - \Lambda p) |\langle 0 | \phi(0) U(\Lambda) | n \rangle|^2 \\ &= \sum_n (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(p_n - p) |\langle 0 | \phi(0) | n \rangle|^2 = \varrho(p)\end{aligned}$$

Lorentz invariant function of p + positive spectrum

$$\varrho(p) = 2\pi \theta(p^0) \rho(p^2)$$

For single-particle states

$$\langle 0 | \phi(0) | p \rangle = \langle 0 | \phi(0) | \Lambda p \rangle = f(p^2) = f(m^2) = \text{constant} \equiv \sqrt{Z}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
D(x) &= \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} [\theta(x^0)e^{-ip \cdot x} + \theta(-x^0)e^{ip \cdot x}] 2\pi\theta(p^0)\rho(p^2) \\
&= \int_0^\infty ds \rho(s) \underbrace{\int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} [\theta(x^0)e^{-ip \cdot x} + \theta(-x^0)e^{ip \cdot x}] 2\pi\theta(p^0)\delta(p^2 - s)}_{= \Delta_F(x; s) \text{ — free causal propagator of mass squared } s} \\
&= \int_0^\infty ds \rho(s) \Delta_F(x; s) = \int_0^\infty ds \rho(s) \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} e^{-ip \cdot x} \frac{i}{p^2 - s + i\epsilon}
\end{aligned}$$

Use assumption on spectrum: isolated single-particle states at $p^2 = m^2$, continuous spectrum starting at $p^2 = 4m^2$ (“two-particle threshold”)

$$\rho(s) = Z\delta(s - m^2) + \theta(s - 4m^2)\sigma(s)$$

$$\tilde{D}(p) \equiv \int d^4 x e^{ip \cdot x} D(x) = \frac{iZ}{p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} + \int_{4m^2}^\infty ds \sigma(s) \frac{i}{p^2 - s + i\epsilon}$$

$\Rightarrow \tilde{\Delta}_F(p)$ has pole at physical particle mass with residue $Z > 0$

Exercise:

$$\langle 0 | [\phi(x), \phi(0)] | 0 \rangle = \int_0^\infty ds \rho(s) \Delta(x; s)$$
$$\Delta(x; s) = \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} [e^{-ip \cdot x} - e^{ip \cdot x}] 2\pi \theta(p^0) \delta(p^2 - s)$$

For canonically quantised fields take $\partial/\partial x^0$ followed by $x^0 \rightarrow 0$, and show

$$\int_0^\infty ds \rho(s) = 1$$

and so $0 \leq Z \leq 1$

This results holds only for the regularised theory (if Lorentz invariance has not been broken), no idea what happens as $\Lambda_{UV} \rightarrow \infty$

At $t \rightarrow \mp\infty$ states of our system should look like set of free particles

$$e^{-iHt}|\Psi\rangle \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow -\infty} \int d\Omega_{p_1} \dots \int d\Omega_{p_n} f_1^{(+)}(p_1) \dots f_n^{(+)}(p_n) |p_1, \dots, p_n\rangle_{\text{in}}$$

$$e^{-iHt}|\Psi\rangle \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow +\infty} \int d\Omega_{p_1} \dots \int d\Omega_{p_n} f_1^{(-)}(p_1) \dots f_n^{(-)}(p_n) |p_1, \dots, p_n\rangle_{\text{out}}$$

In/out states $|p_1, \dots, p_n\rangle_{\text{in,out}}$: under Lorentz/translations

$$U(\Lambda)U(a)|p_1, \dots, p_n\rangle_{\text{in,out}} = e^{-i(\sum_j p_j) \cdot a} |\Lambda p_1, \dots, \Lambda p_n\rangle_{\text{in,out}} \quad p_j^2 = m^2$$

- same transformation properties as free multiparticle state, but using the representation $U(\Lambda)$, $U(a)$ of the interacting theory
- p_i identified as particle four-momenta

Can we get this out of our theory? Yes: Haag-Ruelle theory of scattering (assuming Wightman's axioms)

We make further assumptions and simplify the argument

Assume exist $\phi_{\text{in,out}}$ satisfying

1. covariance:
$$U(\Lambda)^\dagger U(a)^\dagger \phi_{\text{in,out}}(x) U(a) U(\Lambda) = \phi_{\text{in,out}}(\Lambda^{-1}x + a)$$

2. free EOM:
$$(\square + m^2)\phi_{\text{in,out}}(x) = 0$$

3. free field CR:
$$[\phi_{\text{in,out}}(x), \phi_{\text{in,out}}(y)] = \Delta(x - y)$$

4. asymptotics:
$$\phi(x) \underset{x^0 \rightarrow \mp\infty}{\rightsquigarrow} \phi_{\text{in,out}}(x) \text{ (in some sense)}$$

- same Us as for $\phi \Rightarrow$ temporal evolution governed by H
- satisfy free Klein-Gordon equation with physical particle mass (instead of whatever nonlinear equations define the interacting theory)
- under Wightman's axioms, free field CR actually follow from obeying free Klein-Gordon (Jost-Schroer theorem)

From covariance:

$$\partial_\mu \phi_{\text{in}}(x) = \partial_\mu e^{iP \cdot x} \phi_{\text{in}}(0) e^{-iP \cdot x} = e^{iP \cdot x} [iP_\mu, \phi_{\text{in}}(0)] e^{-iP \cdot x} = [iP_\mu, \phi_{\text{in}}(x)]$$

From this and EOM

$$-\square \phi_{\text{in}}(x) = [P_\mu, [P^\mu, \phi_{\text{in}}(x)]] = m^2 \phi_{\text{in}}(x)$$

For any P_μ eigenstate $P_\mu |\bar{p}\rangle = \bar{p}_\mu |\bar{p}\rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} m^2 \langle 0 | \phi_{\text{in}}(x) | \bar{p} \rangle &= \langle 0 | [P_\mu, [P^\mu, \phi_{\text{in}}(x)]] | \bar{p} \rangle = -\langle 0 | [P^\mu, \phi_{\text{in}}(x)] P_\mu | \bar{p} \rangle \\ &= \langle 0 | \phi_{\text{in}}(x) P^\mu P_\mu | \bar{p} \rangle = \bar{p}^2 \langle 0 | \phi_{\text{in}}(x) | \bar{p} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \langle 0 | \phi_{\text{in}}(x) | \bar{p} \rangle \neq 0$ only if $|\bar{p}\rangle$ is a single-particle state

$\Rightarrow \phi_{\text{in}}(x)$ creates single-particle states out of the vacuum

$\phi_{\text{in}}(x)$ free field \Rightarrow decompose in usual creation/annihilation operators

$$\phi_{\text{in}}(x) = \int d\Omega_p \left\{ a_{\text{in}}(p) e^{-ip \cdot x} + a_{\text{in}}(p)^\dagger e^{ip \cdot x} \right\}$$

$$d\Omega_p = \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3 2p^0} \quad p^0 = \sqrt{m^2 + \vec{p}^2}$$

Commutation relations

$$[a_{\text{in}}(p), a_{\text{in}}(q)^\dagger] = 2p^0 (2\pi)^3 \delta^{(3)}(\vec{p} - \vec{q}) \quad [a_{\text{in}}(p), a_{\text{in}}(q)] = 0$$

Extract creation operators from field

$$a_{\text{in}}(p)^\dagger = -i \int d^3 x e^{-ip \cdot x} \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_0 \phi_{\text{in}}(x) \equiv \langle e^{-ip \cdot x}, \phi_{\text{in}}(x) \rangle$$

$\langle f(x), g(x) \rangle$: Lorentz-invariant scalar product, time-independent for solutions of Klein-Gordon equation

Single-particle states

$$\begin{aligned} a_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{p})^\dagger |0\rangle &\equiv |\mathbf{p}\rangle_{\text{in}} && \text{by definition} \\ &= |\mathbf{p}\rangle && \text{identical to single-particle states of the theory} \end{aligned}$$

$\phi_{\text{in}}(x)|0\rangle$ has non-zero projection only on 1-particle subspace

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathbf{p}\rangle_{\text{in}} &= a_{\text{in}}(\mathbf{p})^\dagger |0\rangle = \langle e^{-ip \cdot x}, \phi_{\text{in}}(x) \rangle |0\rangle = \langle e^{-ip \cdot x}, e^{iP \cdot x} \rangle \phi_{\text{in}}(0) |0\rangle \\ &= \int d\Omega_q |q\rangle \langle q| \langle e^{-ip \cdot x}, e^{iP \cdot x} \rangle \phi_{\text{in}}(0) |0\rangle \\ &= \int d\Omega_q |q\rangle \langle e^{-ip \cdot x}, e^{iq \cdot x} \rangle \langle q| \phi_{\text{in}}(0) |0\rangle \\ &= \int d\Omega_q |q\rangle 2q^0 (2\pi)^3 \delta^{(3)}(\vec{p} - \vec{q}) \langle q| \phi_{\text{in}}(0) |0\rangle \\ &= |\mathbf{p}\rangle \langle \mathbf{p} | \phi_{\text{in}}(0) |0\rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} {}_{\text{in}}\langle \mathbf{p}' | \mathbf{p} \rangle_{\text{in}} &= \langle \mathbf{p}' | \mathbf{p} \rangle \langle \mathbf{p}' | \phi_{\text{in}}(0) |0\rangle^* \langle \mathbf{p} | \phi_{\text{in}}(0) |0\rangle = \langle \mathbf{p}' | \mathbf{p} \rangle |\langle \mathbf{p} | \phi_{\text{in}}(0) |0\rangle|^2 \\ &\Rightarrow |\langle \mathbf{p} | \phi_{\text{in}}(0) |0\rangle|^2 = 1 \Rightarrow |\mathbf{p}\rangle_{\text{in}} = |\mathbf{p}\rangle \quad (\text{choose phases wisely}) \end{aligned}$$

Multiparticle states:

$$a_{\text{in}}(p_1)^\dagger \dots a_{\text{in}}(p_n)^\dagger |0\rangle \equiv |p_1, \dots, p_n\rangle_{\text{in}}$$

Transformation properties:

$$\begin{aligned} U(\Lambda)U(a)a_{\text{in}}(p)^\dagger &= \langle e^{-ip \cdot x}, U(\Lambda)U(a)\phi_{\text{in}}(x) \rangle \\ &= \langle e^{-ip \cdot x}, \phi_{\text{in}}(\Lambda(x - a)) \rangle U(\Lambda)U(a) \\ &= \langle e^{-ip \cdot \Lambda^{-1}x}, \phi_{\text{in}}(x - \Lambda a) \rangle U(\Lambda)U(a) \\ &= \langle e^{-i\Lambda p \cdot x}, \phi_{\text{in}}(x - \Lambda a) \rangle U(\Lambda)U(a) \\ &= e^{-ip \cdot a} \langle e^{-i\Lambda p \cdot x}, \phi_{\text{in}}(x) \rangle U(\Lambda)U(a) \\ &= e^{-ip \cdot a} a_{\text{in}}(\Lambda p)^\dagger U(\Lambda)U(a) \end{aligned}$$

temporal translation justified since $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is t -indep.

$$\Rightarrow U(\Lambda)U(a)|p_1, \dots, p_n\rangle_{\text{in}} = e^{-i(\sum_j p_j) \cdot a} |\Lambda p_1, \dots, \Lambda p_n\rangle_{\text{in}}$$

These are the states that we wanted

In the same way:

$$\phi_{\text{out}}(x) = \int d\Omega_p \left\{ a_{\text{out}}(p) e^{-ip \cdot x} + a_{\text{out}}(p)^\dagger e^{ip \cdot x} \right\}$$

Generally $a_{\text{out}}(p) \neq a_{\text{in}}(p)$

$$a_{\text{out}}(p_1)^\dagger \dots a_{\text{out}}(p_n)^\dagger |0\rangle \equiv |p_1, \dots, p_n\rangle_{\text{out}}$$
$$|p\rangle_{\text{out}} = |p\rangle = |p\rangle_{\text{in}}$$

Correct transformation properties (same proofs)

In principle it could be that not all states are particle states at large times – we assume they are

Asymptotic condition: in and out states form two (generally different) complete sets of states in the Hilbert space

How are $\phi_{\text{in,out}}$ related to ϕ ?

$$\phi(x) \rightarrow \phi_{\text{in}}(x) \quad \text{as} \quad x^0 \rightarrow -\infty ?$$

ϕ_{in} creates only 1-particle states from the vacuum, ϕ other states as well

$$\phi(x) \rightarrow \sqrt{Z}\phi_{\text{in}}(x) \quad \text{as} \quad x^0 \rightarrow -\infty \quad \text{as an operator?}$$

leads to contradictions

$$[\phi(x), \partial_0 \phi(y)]_{\text{ET}} \xrightarrow{x^0 \rightarrow -\infty} Z[\phi_{\text{in}}(x), \partial_0 \phi_{\text{in}}(y)]_{\text{ET}} = iZ\delta^{(3)}(\vec{x} - \vec{y})$$

$$e^{iHx^0} [\phi(0, \vec{x}), \partial_0 \phi(0, \vec{y})] e^{-iHx^0} \xrightarrow{x^0 \rightarrow -\infty} iZ\delta^{(3)}(\vec{x} - \vec{y})$$

$$\langle 0 | e^{iHx^0} [\phi(0, \vec{x}), \partial_0 \phi(0, \vec{y})] e^{-iHx^0} | 0 \rangle \xrightarrow{x^0 \rightarrow -\infty} iZ\delta^{(3)}(\vec{x} - \vec{y}) \langle 0 | 0 \rangle$$

$$\langle 0 | [\phi(0, \vec{x}), \partial_0 \phi(0, \vec{y})] | 0 \rangle \xrightarrow{x^0 \rightarrow -\infty} iZ\delta^{(3)}(\vec{x} - \vec{y})$$

but LHS t -independent $\Rightarrow \phi$ is a free field up to normalisation

For normalisable solutions $f(x)$ of Klein-Gordon equation, $(\square + m^2)f = 0$

$$\phi^f(t) \equiv i \int d^3x f(x)^* \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_0 \phi(t, \vec{x}) \quad \phi_{\text{in,out}}^f \equiv i \int d^3x f(x)^* \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_0 \phi_{\text{in,out}}(t, \vec{x})$$

Smears the fields in space, t -independent for in/out fields

LSZ condition: for any normalisable $|\alpha\rangle, |\beta\rangle$ and f we assume

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \langle \alpha | \phi^f(t) | \beta \rangle = \sqrt{Z} \langle \alpha | \phi_{\text{in}}^f | \beta \rangle$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \langle \alpha | \phi^f(t) | \beta \rangle = \sqrt{Z} \langle \alpha | \phi_{\text{out}}^f | \beta \rangle$$

\sqrt{Z} must be the same for in/out fields

$$\begin{aligned} \int d\Omega_p \tilde{g}(p) \langle p | \phi^f(t) | 0 \rangle &= i \int d\Omega_p \langle p | \phi(0) | 0 \rangle \tilde{g}(p) \int d^3x f(x)^* \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_0 e^{ip \cdot x} \\ &= i\sqrt{Z} \int d^3x f(x)^* \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_0 \int d\Omega_p \tilde{g}(p) e^{ip \cdot x} = i\sqrt{Z} \underbrace{\int d^3x f(x)^* \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_0 g(x)}_{t\text{-indep.}} \\ &= \sqrt{Z_{\text{in,out}}} \int d\Omega_p \tilde{g}(p) \langle p | \phi_{\text{in,out}}^f | 0 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

\exists of $\phi_{\text{in,out}}$ and validity of LSZ condition derived in axiomatic approach

References:

- Wightman's axioms and its consequences are nicely described in F. Strocchi, "An introduction to the non-perturbative foundations of quantum field theory"
- The treatment of in and out fields is adapted from J.D. Bjorken, S.D. Drell, "Relativistic quantum fields"

Addendum: Lorentz invariance of $\langle f, g \rangle$

$$f(x) \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_0 g(x) \equiv f(x) [\partial_0 g(x)] - [\partial_0 f(x)] g(x)$$

Boost in direction 1

$$\begin{cases} x'^0 = \gamma(x^0 - \beta x^1) \\ x'^1 = \gamma(x^1 - \beta x^0) \end{cases} \quad d^3x = \frac{1}{\gamma} d^3x' \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial x^0} = \frac{\partial x'^0}{\partial x^0} \frac{\partial}{\partial x'^0} = \gamma \frac{\partial}{\partial x'^0}$$

Changing integration variables $\vec{x} \rightarrow \vec{x}'$

$$\begin{aligned} \int d^3x f(\Lambda x) \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_0 g(\Lambda x) &= \int d^3x f(\Lambda x) \frac{\overleftrightarrow{\partial}}{\partial x^0} g(\Lambda x) \\ &= \int d^3x' \frac{1}{\gamma} f(x') \gamma \frac{\overleftrightarrow{\partial}}{\partial x'^0} g(x') \\ &= \int d^3x f(x) \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_0 g(x) \end{aligned}$$

Addendum: time independence of $\langle f, g \rangle$ for solutions of $(\square + m^2)f = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_0 \int d^3x f(x) \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_0 g(x) &= \int d^3x \{f(x)[\partial_0^2 g(x)] - [\partial_0^2 f(x)]g(x)\} \\ &= \int d^3x f(x)[(\vec{\nabla}^2 - m^2)g(x)] - [(\vec{\nabla}^2 - m^2)f(x)]g(x) \\ &= \int d^3x \vec{\nabla} \cdot \left\{ f(x)[\vec{\nabla} g(x)] - [\vec{\nabla} f(x)]g(x) \right\} \\ &= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\partial B_R} d^2\vec{\Sigma} \cdot \left\{ f(x)[\vec{\nabla} g(x)] - [\vec{\nabla} f(x)]g(x) \right\} = 0\end{aligned}$$

f, g assumed to vanish at infinity, B_R ball of radius R