

# Exercises to “Standard Model of Particle Physics”

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Sheet 9

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## Exercise 17: Electroweak interference [15 Points]

We haven't calculated a process for a while...

The process  $e^-(p_1) e^+(p_2) \rightarrow \mu^-(k_1) \mu^+(k_2)$  has two  $s$ -channel diagrams, corresponding to photon and  $Z$  exchange. Write down both amplitudes (ignore lepton masses) and calculate  $d\sigma/d\Omega$ . Show in particular that in the center-of-mass system

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha^2}{4s} (A_0(1 + \cos^2 \theta) + A_1 \cos \theta)$$

What was the QED result again?

## Exercise 18: Scalar fields [10 Points]

Take the standard Higgs doublet  $\phi = (\phi_+, \phi_0)^T$ , which has hypercharge +1, i.e. transforms under  $SU(2)_W \times U(1)_Y$  like

$$\phi \rightarrow \phi' = \exp(-ig_Y(+1)\alpha(x)\mathbb{1}) \exp\left(-ig_W \sum_{a=1}^3 \beta_a(x) T_a\right) \phi,$$

where  $T_a = \sigma_a/2$ . A doublet with hypercharge  $-1$  can be obtained from  $\phi$  by the transformation  $\tilde{\phi} = -i\sigma_2 \phi^*$ . The most general gauge-invariant potential for  $\phi$  can be written as

$$V = -\mu^2 \phi^\dagger \phi + \lambda \phi^\dagger \phi \phi^\dagger \phi.$$

a) Show that the following terms can be reduced to the ones given in  $V$ :

$$\tilde{\phi}^\dagger \tilde{\phi}, \quad \tilde{\phi}^\dagger \phi \phi^\dagger \tilde{\phi},$$

and also argue why one can not write down an invariant term involving three fields.

b) Assume there was a new scalar  $\Delta$  which transformed in the adjoint representation of  $SU(2)_W$ . This triplet can be conveniently written down as a  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $\Delta \equiv \sum_a \Delta_a \sigma_a$ , which transforms under  $SU(2)_W$ :

$$\Delta \rightarrow \exp\left(-ig_W \sum_{a=1}^3 \beta_a(x) T_a\right) \Delta \exp\left(-ig_W \sum_{a=1}^3 \beta_a(x) T_a\right)^\dagger.$$

From  $2 \otimes 2 \otimes 3 = 1 \oplus \dots$  we know that there is just one gauge invariant cubic coupling of  $\phi\phi\Delta$ . Show that the following terms are invariant under  $SU(2)_W$

$$\phi^\dagger \Delta \phi, \quad \phi^\dagger \Delta \tilde{\phi}, \quad \tilde{\phi}^\dagger \Delta \tilde{\phi},$$

expand the expressions in component fields and determine which hypercharge  $\Delta$  has to carry to make each term invariant under  $SU(2)_W \times U(1)_Y$ .

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