

Quantum field theory

Exercises 6.

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- **Exercise 6.1.**

Derive the equations of motion for the complex scalar field with the following action

$$S = \int d^4x \left(\partial^\mu \phi \partial_\mu \phi^* - \frac{\lambda}{2} (\phi \phi^* - v^2)^2 \right) .$$

- **Exercise 6.2.**

Check explicitly in the model of one scalar field with potential $V(\phi)$

$$S = \int d^4x \left(\frac{1}{2} \partial^\mu \phi \partial_\mu \phi - V(\phi) \right)$$

that the energy

$$E = \int d^3x \left(\frac{1}{2} \dot{\phi}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \partial_i \phi \partial_i \phi + V(\phi) \right)$$

is conserved ($dE/dt = 0$) on the equations of motion.

- **Exercise 6.3.**

Find the dimensions of scalar, spinor, and gauge fields in space-time of dimension $d = 4$. A useful starting point is the fact that dimension of action S is the dimension of the Plank's constant, i.e. it is dimensionless in $\hbar = 1$ units. Repeat the analysis in arbitrary number of dimensions d , using action $S = \int d^d x \mathcal{L}$ with usual expressions for Lagrangian \mathcal{L} .