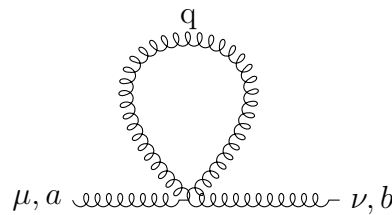


Exercise 1: 1-loop correction to the gluon propagator (6+6+4 points)

In the lecture you discussed the 1-loop correction to the gluon propagator in QCD. You explicitly calculated the 1-loop correction including gluon 3-vertices and ghost field vertices. In this exercise we are going to extend this calculation to the gluon 4-vertex and the quark loop.

- i) Show that the 1-loop correction to the gluon propagator caused by the 4-gluon interaction

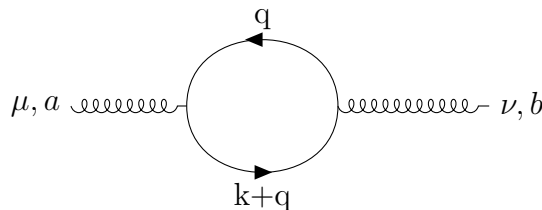


in d-dimensions is given as

$$i\Pi_{\mu\nu}^{(c),ab} = -g_\epsilon^2 \delta^{ab} N_c (d-1) g_{\mu\nu} \int \frac{d^d q}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{1}{q^2 + i\epsilon} \quad (1)$$

and comment on the divergence.

- ii) Show that the fermion 1-loop correction to the gluon propagator



in d-dimensions is given as

$$i\Pi_{\mu\nu}^{(d),ab} = -\frac{g_\epsilon^2}{2} \delta^{ab} 4 \sum_{f=1}^{N_f} \int \frac{d^d q}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{2q_\mu q_\nu - g_{\mu\nu} (g^2 + k \cdot q - m_f^2) + k_\mu q_\nu + k_\nu q_\mu}{(q^2 - m_f^2 + i\epsilon)((q+k)^2 - m_f^2 + i\epsilon)} \quad (2)$$

and comment on the divergence.

- iii) Consider massless quarks. Use a Wick rotation to change to euclidean space for the fermion loop contribution and use the $J(k)$, $J^\mu(k)$, $J^{\mu\nu}(k)$ familiar from the lecture to regularize your result.