

Problem: B^0 - \bar{B}^0 mixing

In the Standard Model, the B^0 - \bar{B}^0 mixing diagram occurs at one-loop level as a box diagram.

1. Draw the two box diagrams. Note that there are additional diagrams in the Feynman gauge, where W propagators are replaced by the charged Goldstone components.

2. Show that these diagrams are manifestly finite by power counting. Then we can calculate the diagrams in 4 dimensions.

3. All the extra momenta can be set to be zero because they are small compared to M_W and heavy quark masses in the loop. In the Feynman gauge, show that the amplitude for the B^0 - \bar{B}^0 transition is given by

$$i\mathcal{T}(\bar{b}d \rightarrow b\bar{d}) = 2 \left(\frac{g}{\sqrt{s}} \right)^4 \sum_{i,j=u,c,t} (V_{ib}V_{id}^*) (V_{jb}V_{jd}^*) \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \left(\frac{-i}{k^2 - M_W^2} \right)^2 \times \left(\bar{d}_L \gamma^\mu \frac{k + m_i}{k^2 - m_i^2} \gamma^\nu b_L \right)^2 \left(\bar{d}_L \gamma_\nu \frac{k + m_j}{k^2 - m_j^2} \gamma_\mu b_L \right)^2, \quad (1)$$

for the W exchange boxes. Find the amplitudes for the other box diagrams.

4. Calculate the following integrals and find out the explicit form of $A(x_i, x_j)$ and $B(x_i, x_j)$.

$$I^{\mu\nu}(i, j) \equiv \int \frac{d^4k k^\mu k^\nu}{(k^2 - M_W^2)^2 (k^2 - m_i^2)(k^2 - m_j^2)} = -\frac{i\pi^2}{4M_W^2} A(x_i, x_j) g^{\mu\nu}, \quad (2)$$

$$I(i, j) \equiv \int \frac{d^4k}{(k^2 - M_W^2)^2 (k^2 - m_i^2)(k^2 - m_j^2)} = -\frac{i\pi^2}{M_W^4} B(x_i, x_j), \quad (3)$$

where

$$x_i = \frac{m_i^2}{M_W^2}. \quad (4)$$

5. Using the identity

$$\gamma^\mu \gamma^\alpha \gamma^\nu = g^{\mu\alpha} \gamma^\nu + g^{\nu\alpha} \gamma^\mu - g^{\mu\nu} \gamma^\alpha - i\epsilon^{\mu\alpha\nu\beta} \gamma_5 \gamma_\beta, \quad (5)$$

show the following relation:

$$[\gamma^\mu \gamma^\alpha \gamma^\nu (1 - \gamma_5)/2] \cdots [\gamma_\nu \gamma_\alpha \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5)/2] = 4[\gamma^\alpha (1 - \gamma_5)/2] \cdots [\gamma_\alpha (1 - \gamma_5)/2]. \quad (6)$$

6. Find out the transition amplitude

$$T(\bar{b}d \rightarrow b\bar{d}) = -\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\alpha}{\pi \sin^2 \theta_W} (\bar{d}_L \gamma^\mu s_L) (\bar{d}_L \gamma_\mu s_L) \sum_{i,j=u,c,t} (V_{ib} V_{id}^*) (V_{jb} V_{jd}^*) J(x_i, x_j) \quad (7)$$

with the explicit form of $J(x_i, x_j)$.

7. Show that the effective Lagrangian is given by

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\Delta B=2} = -\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{s}} \frac{\alpha}{16\pi} \left(\frac{1}{M_W \sin \theta_W} \right)^2 \lambda \mathcal{O}_{JJ}, \quad (8)$$

where

$$\mathcal{O}_{JJ} = [\bar{d} \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) s] [\bar{d} \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) s], \quad (9)$$

$$\lambda = M_W^2 \sum_{i,j=u,c,t} (V_{ib} V_{id}^*) (V_{jb} V_{jd}^*) A(x_i, x_j). \quad (10)$$