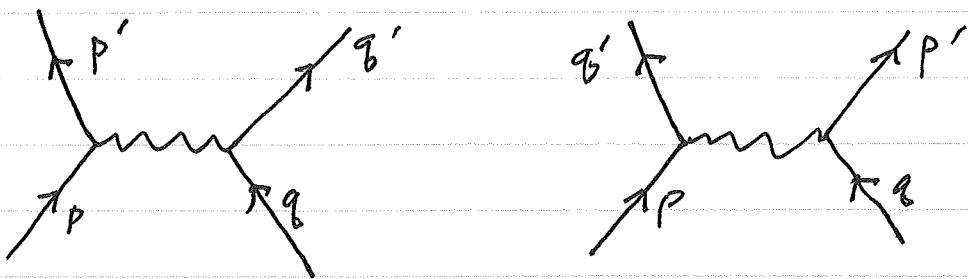


$$e^- e^- \rightarrow e^- e^-$$



The Feynman rules give

$$iM = \frac{\bar{u}(p', s') (-ie\gamma^\mu) u(p, s) (-i\gamma_{\mu\nu}) \bar{u}(q', t') (-ie\gamma^\nu) u(q, t)}{(p - p')^2}$$

$$+ \frac{\bar{u}(q', t') (-ie\gamma^\mu) u(p, s) (-i\gamma_{\mu\nu}) \bar{u}(p', s') (-ie\gamma^\nu) u(q, t)}{(p - q')^2}$$

Which sign is right? Fermi statistics suggest a minus sign. Let's check carefully:

$$S = \sqrt{2\varepsilon_1} \langle 0 | a(q', t') a(p, s') T [ \exp(-i \int e \vec{A}_\mu \gamma^\mu d^4x) ] a^\dagger(p, s) a^\dagger(q, t) \rangle$$

Stop \$a^\dagger(p, t)\$ at \$x\_2\$ get 2:

$$= -e^2 \sqrt{2\varepsilon_1} \langle 0 | a(q', t') a(p, s') \int T (\bar{\psi}_{(x_1)} \gamma^\mu \psi_{(x_1)}^\dagger A_\mu(x_1) \bar{\psi}_{(x_2)} \gamma^\nu \psi_{(x_2)}^\dagger A_\nu(x_2)) a^\dagger(p, s) a^\dagger(q, t) \rangle d^4x_1 d^4x_2$$

$$= -\frac{e^2 \sqrt{2\varepsilon_1}}{\sqrt{2\varepsilon_1} \sqrt{2\varepsilon_p}} \langle 0 | a(q', t') a(p, s') \int e^{-i q x_2 - i p x_1} \langle u(p, s) | T (\bar{\psi}_{(x_1)} \gamma^\mu A_\mu(x_1) \bar{\psi}_{(x_2)} \gamma^\nu A_\nu(x_2)) | 0 \rangle \times u(q, t) d^4x_1 d^4x_2$$

There is a relative minus sign because if  $\bar{\psi}'(x_1)$  makes  $a^+(q', t')$ , then it must cross  $a(p', s')$ :

$$S = -e^2 \int e^{-i\gamma_{\mu} p' x_1} \langle 0 | T(A_{\mu}(x_1) A_{\nu}(x_2)) | 0 \rangle$$

$$\times \left[ \bar{u}(p', s') \gamma^{\mu} u(p, s) \bar{u}(q', t') \gamma^{\nu} u(q, t) e^{i p' x_1 + i q' x_2} \right. \\ \left. - \bar{u}(q', t') \gamma^{\mu} u(p, s) \bar{u}(p', s') \gamma^{\nu} u(q, t) e^{i q' x_1 + i p' x_2} \right] d^4 x_1 d^4 x_2$$

$$= -e^2 \int e^{-i\gamma_{\mu} p' x_1 - i h(x_1 - x_2)} \frac{e(-i\eta^{\mu\nu})}{k^2} \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4}$$

$$\times \left[ \bar{u}(p', s') \gamma^{\mu} u(p, s) \bar{u}(q', t') \gamma^{\nu} u(q, t) e^{i p' x_1 + i q' x_2} \right. \\ \left. - \bar{u}(q', t') \gamma^{\mu} u(p, s) \bar{u}(p', s') \gamma^{\nu} u(q, t) e^{i q' x_1 + i p' x_2} \right] d^4 x_1 d^4 x_2$$

$$= i e^2 \int \delta^4(k - q + p') \bar{u}(p', s') \gamma^{\mu} u(p, s) \bar{u}(q', t') \gamma^{\nu} u(q, t) e^{i p' x_1} \\ - \delta^4(k - q + p') \bar{u}(q', t') \gamma^{\mu} u(p, s) u(p', s') \gamma^{\nu} u(q, t) e^{i q' x_1}$$

$$\times \frac{e}{k^2} d^4 k d^4 x_1$$

$$i p' x_1 - i p x_1 - i (q - q') x_1$$

$$= i e^2 \int \left[ \bar{u}(p', s') \frac{\gamma^{\mu} u(p, s)}{(q - q')^2} \bar{u}' \gamma_{\mu} u \right] e^{i q' x_1 - i p x_1 - i (q - q') x_1}$$

$$- \bar{u}(q', t') \frac{\gamma^{\mu} u(p, s)}{(q - p')^2} u' \gamma_{\mu} u \right] d^4 x_1$$

$$S = i e^2 (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p' + q' - p - q) \\ \times \left[ \frac{\bar{u}(p's') \gamma^\mu u(p_s) \bar{u}(q't') \gamma_\mu u(q_t)}{(q - q')^2} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{\bar{u}(q't') \gamma^\mu u(p_s) \bar{u}(p's') \gamma_\mu u(q_t)}{(q - p')^2} \right] \\ = i M (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p' + q' - p - q) \quad \text{with}$$

$$iM = ie^2 \left[ \frac{\bar{u}(p's') \gamma^\mu u(p_s) \bar{u}(q't') \gamma_\mu u(q_t)}{(p - p')^2} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{\bar{u}(q't') \gamma^\mu u(p_s) \bar{u}(p's') \gamma_\mu u(q_t)}{(p - q')^2} \right].$$

Now  $e^- \mu^- \rightarrow e^- \mu^-$  is simpler; it has only one diagram:

$$S = i (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p' + q' - p - q) \frac{\bar{u}(p's') \gamma^\mu u(p_s) \bar{u}(q,t') \gamma_\mu u(q,t)}{(p - p')^2}$$

is the amplitude for

