

1.2.3. Energy-momentum tensor for a massive scalar field

Consider the massive scalar field from ch. 0 §2.5:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \varphi) (\partial^\mu \varphi) - \frac{m^2}{2} \varphi^2$$

and the tensor field $H_\mu{}^\nu$ defined analogously to Problem 1.2.1:

$$H_\mu{}^\nu = (\partial_\mu \varphi) \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_\nu \varphi)} - \delta_\mu{}^\nu \mathcal{L}$$

Determine $H_\mu{}^\nu$ explicitly and show that

$$\partial_\nu H_\mu{}^\nu = 0$$

hint: Use the Euler-Lagrange equation determined in ch. 0 §2.5.

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1.2.5.) $\mathcal{L}_F^\nu = (\partial_\mu \varphi) \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_\nu \varphi)} - \delta_\mu^\nu \mathcal{L}$

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$$= (\partial_\mu \varphi) (\partial^\nu \varphi) - \delta_\mu^\nu \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\lambda \varphi) (\partial^\lambda \varphi) + \delta_\mu^\nu \frac{m^2}{2} \varphi^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \underline{\underline{\partial_\nu \mathcal{L}_F^\nu}} &= (\partial_\nu \partial_\mu \varphi) (\partial^\nu \varphi) + (\partial_\mu \varphi) (\partial_\nu \partial^\nu \varphi) - (\partial_\mu \varphi) (\partial_\nu \partial^\nu \varphi) + m^2 \varphi \partial_\mu \varphi \\ &= (\partial_\nu \partial_\mu \varphi) (\partial^\nu \varphi) - (\partial_\mu \partial_\nu \varphi) (\partial^\nu \varphi) + (\partial_\mu \varphi) (\partial_\nu \partial^\nu \varphi + m^2 \varphi) \end{aligned}$$

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$$= (\partial_\mu \varphi) \underbrace{(\partial_\nu \partial^\nu + m^2) \varphi}_{=0} = \underline{\underline{0}} \quad \text{by the Klein-Gordon eq.,} \\ \text{eq. 2.5.1}$$