

Title: PSI 2016/2017 Quantum Field Theory III - Lecture 11

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Abstract:

Path Integral Derivation of Anomaly

4D Euclidean space

$$S = S_4 + S_{\text{Maxwell}}$$

$$S_4 = \int d^4x \bar{\Psi} i \not{D} \Psi$$

$$e^{-\Gamma(A)} = \int \mathcal{D}\Psi \mathcal{D}\bar{\Psi} e^{-S_L[\Psi, A]}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &= \left. \frac{\delta e^{-\Gamma(A)}}{\delta \theta(x)} \right|_{\theta=0} = \frac{\delta}{\delta \theta(x)} \left[\int \mathcal{D}\varphi \mathcal{D}\psi e^{-S - \int d^d x \theta \partial_n J_s^n} \right]_{\theta=0} \\
&= \int \mathcal{D}\varphi \mathcal{D}\psi e^{-S} \partial_n J_s^n \\
&= \langle 0 | \partial_n J_s^n | 0 \rangle \\
&= \lambda_n \langle 0 | J_s^n | 0 \rangle
\end{aligned}$$

$$= 2M \langle 0 | J_5^M | 0 \rangle$$

$$\mathcal{D}\Psi \rightarrow \mathcal{D}\Psi' = (\text{Det}[\exp[i\theta\gamma_5]])^{-1} \mathcal{D}\Psi$$

$$\mathcal{D}\bar{\Psi} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}\bar{\Psi}' = (\text{Det}[\exp[i\theta\gamma_5]])^{-1} \mathcal{D}\bar{\Psi}$$

$$0 = \frac{\delta e^{-\Gamma(\Lambda)}}{\delta\theta(x)} \Big|_{\theta=0} = \frac{\delta}{\delta\theta} \left[\int \mathcal{D}\bar{\Psi} \mathcal{D}\Psi e^{-S - \theta \cdot \partial_M J_5^M - 2i \text{Tr} \theta \gamma_5} \right] \Big|_{\theta=0}$$

$\int d^4x \theta(x) \partial_M J_5^M(x)$
 \downarrow matrix functional trace

Go to eigenbasis of \not{D}

$$\not{D}\phi_n = \lambda_n \phi_n \quad \lambda_n \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu + A_\mu$$

$$\gamma^{\mu\nu} = -\gamma^{\nu\mu}$$

$$\sum_n \phi_n^+(x) \phi_n(y) = \delta(x-y) \underset{\uparrow}{\mathbb{1}}_{\text{spinor}}$$

$$\int d^4x \phi_n^+(x) \phi_m(x) = \delta_{nm}$$

$$\Psi(x) = \sum_n a_n \phi_n(x)$$

a_n, \bar{b}_n Grassmann-variables

$$\bar{\Psi}(x) = \sum_n \bar{b}_n \phi_n^+(x)$$

$$\text{Tr} \Theta \gamma_5 =$$

$$\mu = \partial_\mu + A_\mu$$

$$\gamma^{\mu\nu} = -\gamma^{\nu\mu}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Tr} \Theta \gamma_5 &= \int d^4x \psi_{n\alpha}^+(x) \Theta(x) \gamma_{\alpha\beta}^5 \psi_{n\beta}(x) \\ &= \int d^4x \delta^{(4)}(x-x) \Theta(x) \text{tr} \gamma_5 \\ &= \infty \cdot 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\delta^4(0) = \langle x|x \rangle = \int d^4p \langle x|p \rangle \langle p|x \rangle = \int \frac{d^4p}{(2\pi)^4} \delta^4(x-y)$$

Grassman variables

$$\eta = \partial \eta + A_\mu$$

$$\gamma^{\mu\nu} = -\gamma^{\nu\mu}$$

Grassmann variables

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$$\delta^4(0) = \langle x|x \rangle = \int d^4p \langle x|p\rangle \langle p|x \rangle = \int \frac{d^4p}{(2\pi)^4} e^{i p(x-x)} \Big|_{x=y}$$

UV divergence



$$\Psi(x) = \sum_n a_n \varphi_n(x) \quad a_n, b_n \text{ Grassmann variables}$$

$$\bar{\Psi}(x) = \sum_n \bar{b}_n \varphi_n^+(x)$$

UV divergence

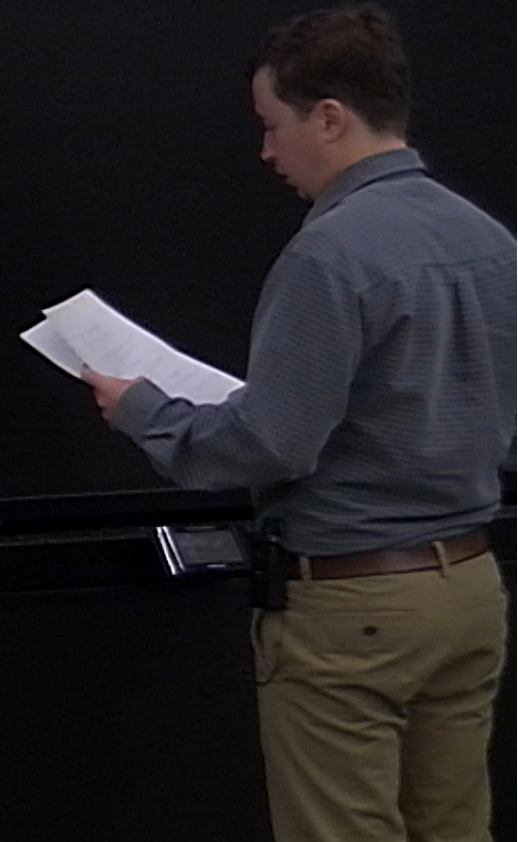
Introduce regulator $f(k^2)$

$$f(0) = 1$$

$$f(\infty) = f'(\infty) = f''(\infty) = \dots = 0 \quad \text{eg. } f(k) = e^{-k^2}$$

$$\text{Tr } \Theta \gamma_5 = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \int d^4x \sum_n \Theta \varphi_n^+ \gamma_5 f\left(\frac{-\lambda^2}{\lambda^2}\right) \varphi_n$$

$$= \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \int d^4x \sum_n \Theta \varphi_n^+ \gamma_5 f\left(\frac{-D^2}{\lambda^2}\right) \varphi_n$$



\iint divergence

$$\text{Tr } \Theta \gamma_5 = \lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} \int d^4x \left(\frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \right) \left(\frac{d^4k'}{(2\pi)^4} \right) \sum_n \Theta e^{-ikx} \tilde{\varphi}_n^+(k')$$

$$\cdot \gamma_5 f\left(\frac{-\not{D}^2}{\Lambda^2}\right) \left[\tilde{\varphi}_n(k) e^{ik \cdot x} \right]$$

$$\not{D} [g(x) e^{ikx}] = e^{ikx} (ik + \not{D}) g(x)$$

$$\text{Tr } \Theta \gamma_5 = \lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} \int d^4x \left(\frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \right) \left(\frac{d^4k'}{(2\pi)^4} \right) \sum_n \Theta \tilde{\varphi}_n^+ e^{ikx} e^{-ik'x} \gamma_5 f\left(\frac{-(\not{D} - ik)^2}{\Lambda^2}\right) \tilde{\varphi}_n$$

$$= \lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} \int d^4x \sum_n \bar{\psi}_n^+ \gamma_5 f\left(\frac{-\not{D}}{\Lambda^2}\right) \psi_n$$

$$\text{Tr} \Theta \gamma_5 = \lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} \int d^4x$$

$$\text{use } \sum_n \bar{\psi}_n^+(k') \psi_n(k) = (2\pi)^4 \delta(k-k') \mathbb{1}$$

$$\text{Tr} \Theta \gamma_5 = \lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} \int d^4x \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \text{tr} \Theta \gamma_5 f\left(\frac{-\not{D} + i\not{k}}{\Lambda^2}\right)$$

Taylor expand

$$= \lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} \int d^4x \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \text{tr} \Theta \gamma_5 \sum_{N=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{N!} \left(\frac{-\not{D}}{\Lambda}\right)^{2N} f^{(N)}\left(\frac{\not{k}}{\Lambda^2}\right)$$

$\text{tr } \gamma_5 = \text{tr } \gamma_5 \gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu = 0$ so $N=2$ D^4 is the first term

$$\text{Tr } \Theta \gamma_5 = \lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} \int d^4x \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \Theta + \text{tr } \gamma_5 \frac{1}{2} \frac{D^4}{\Lambda^4} f''\left(\frac{k^2}{\Lambda^2}\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\Lambda^6}\right)$$

$\text{tr } \gamma_5 \gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu \gamma_\rho \gamma_\sigma = 4 \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}$ no i in Euclidean

$$= \frac{1}{32\pi^4} \int d^4x \Theta \int \frac{d^4k}{\Lambda^4} (4 \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} D^\mu D^\nu D^\rho D^\sigma) f''\left(\frac{k^2}{\Lambda^2}\right)$$

$$0 = \left. \frac{\delta e^{-\Gamma(A)}}{\delta \Theta(x)} \right|_{\Theta=0} \neq \frac{\delta}{\delta \Theta(x)} \left[\int \mathcal{D}\Psi \mathcal{D}\Psi e^{-S - \int d^4x \Theta \partial_n J_n^5} \right]_{\Theta=0} \quad \text{measure no}$$

$$= \int \mathcal{D}\Psi \mathcal{D}\Psi e^{-S} \partial_n J_n^5$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int \frac{d^4 k}{\Lambda^4} f''\left(\frac{k^2}{\Lambda^2}\right) &= \int_0^\infty q dq f''(q) \int \frac{d\Omega}{\Lambda^2} \\
 &= \Lambda^2 \left[q f'(q) \Big|_0^\infty - \int_0^\infty dq f'(q) \right] \\
 &= \Lambda^2 \left(-f(q) \Big|_0^\infty \right) \\
 &= \Lambda^2
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\frac{\int d\Omega}{\pi^2}$$

$$\left[\int_0^\infty - \int_0^\infty dq f'(q) \right]$$

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0

$$4 \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} D^\mu D^\nu D^\rho D^\sigma = \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} F^{\mu\nu} F^{\rho\sigma}$$

$$\text{Tr} \Theta \gamma_5 = \int d^4x \frac{\Theta}{32\pi^2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} F^{\mu\nu} F^{\rho\sigma}$$

$$\partial_\mu J_5^\mu = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} F^{\mu\nu} F^{\rho\sigma} \quad \text{in Minkowski space}$$

anomalous non conservation equation

$$\int \frac{d^4 k}{k^4} f''\left(\frac{k^2}{\Lambda^2}\right) = \int_0^\infty q dq f''(q) \int \frac{d\Omega}{\pi^2}$$

$$= \pi^2 \left[q f'(q) \Big|_0^\infty - \int_0^\infty dq f'(q) \right]$$

$$= \pi^2 \left(-f(q) \Big|_0^\infty \right)$$

$$= \pi^2$$

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anomalous non conservation equation

for nonabelian add tr on RHS

$$\Psi \rightarrow \mathcal{D} \Psi = (\text{DET} \mathcal{L} \exp(\theta \gamma_5)) \mathcal{D} \Psi$$

$$\frac{e^{-\Gamma(\theta)}}{\delta\theta(x)} \Big|_{\theta=0} = \frac{\delta}{\delta\theta} \left[\int \mathcal{D}\Psi \mathcal{D}\Psi e^{-S - \theta \cdot \partial_\mu J_5^\mu - 2i \text{Tr} \theta \gamma_5} \right] \Big|_{\theta=0}$$

matrix + functional trace

need $\text{Tr} \theta \gamma_5$

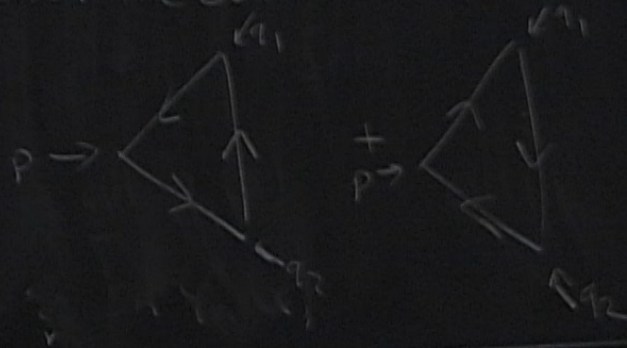
$$\Psi \rightarrow e^{i\theta \gamma_5} \Psi$$

Anomaly from Triangle Diagrams

in 4D

$$\langle J_5^\alpha(p) J^M(q_1) J^N(q_2) \rangle \equiv i \gamma_5^{\alpha MN}$$

each of the currents involves 2 fermion fields



axial + rotor current considered \rightarrow

$$P \propto M_{\text{ax}}^2 = g_{\text{lim}} M_{\text{ax}}^2 = g_{\text{rot}} M_{\text{ax}}^2 = 0$$

impossible to set to zero simultaneously

axial + vector current conserved \rightarrow

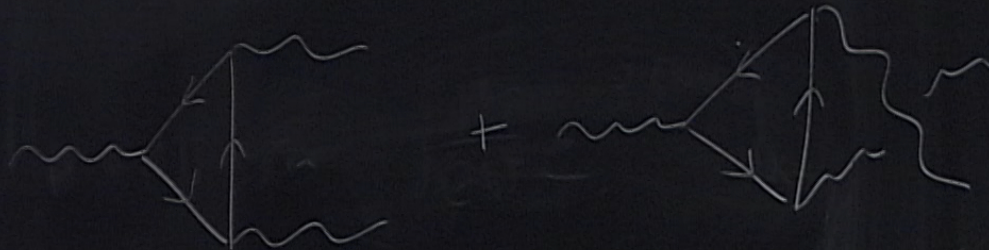
$$P_2 M_S^{\alpha\mu\nu} = g_{1\mu} M_S^{\alpha\mu\nu} = g_{2\nu} M_S^{\alpha\mu\nu} = 0$$

impossible to set to zero simultaneously

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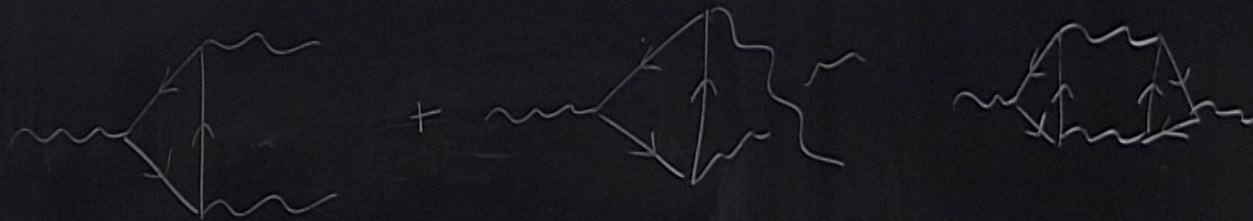
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axial + vector current conserved \rightarrow

$$P_\alpha M_S^{\alpha\mu\nu} = g_{1\mu} M_S^{\alpha\mu\nu} = g_{2\nu} M_S^{\alpha\mu\nu} = 0$$

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can spoil gauge invariance for nonabelian gauge theories