

Symmetries and their realization

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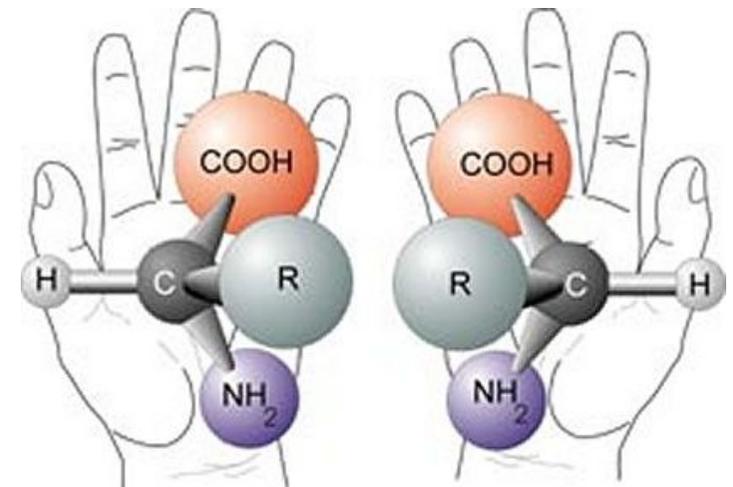
Short introduction: Symmetries

Some remarks on symmetries

- Symmetries are encountered in every day life
 - ↳ often related to beauty
- Generally, these are not perfect
 - ↳ breaking of symmetries
 - ↳ hidden symmetries
- Symmetries entail conservation laws
 - ↳ Rotational $O(3)$ symmetry
 - ↳ $[H, J] = 0$
- In the quantum world, more is possible
 - ↳ spontaneous symmetry breaking
 - ↳ anomalous symmetry breaking



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First remarks on symmetry breaking

- Explicit symmetry breaking

$$\mathcal{L}_0 = \frac{1}{2}\dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^2, \quad \text{invariant under } x \rightarrow -x$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_0 + \epsilon x, \quad |\epsilon| \ll 1 \quad \rightarrow \text{approximate symmetry} \\ \rightarrow \text{perturbation theory}$$

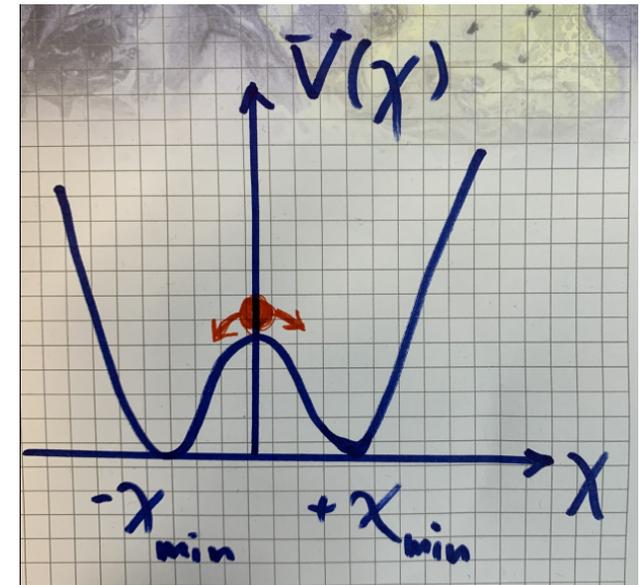
- Spontaneous symmetry breaking
(ground state has less symmetry than \mathcal{L})

$$V(\chi) = a\chi^2 + b\chi^4, \quad \text{with } V(-\chi) = V(\chi)$$

$$\chi_{\min} = \pm\sqrt{-a/2b}$$

- Anomalous symmetry breaking

\hookrightarrow upon quantization, no classical analogue



QCD – basic facts

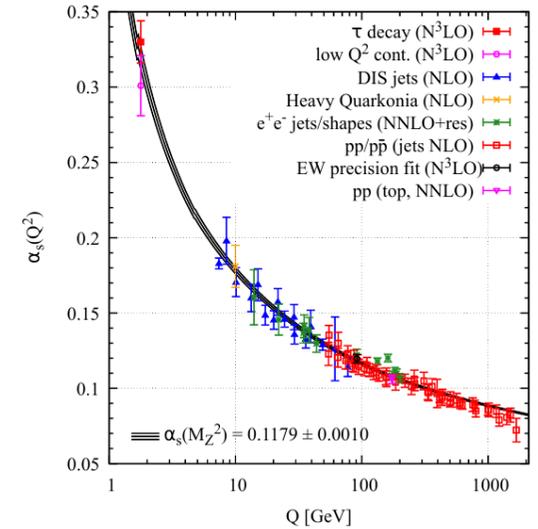
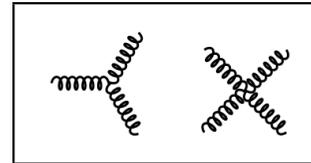
- $$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = -\frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{\mu\nu,a} + \sum_f \bar{q}_f (i\not{D} - \mathcal{M}) q_f + \dots$$

$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu - ig A_\mu^a \lambda^a / 2$$

$$G_{\mu\nu}^a = \partial_\mu A_\nu^a - \partial_\nu A_\mu^a - g[A_\mu^b, A_\nu^c]$$

$$f = (u, d, s, c, b, t)$$

... covered by Andreas



- $$\text{running of } \alpha_s = \frac{g^2}{4\pi} \Rightarrow \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} = 210 \pm 14 \text{ MeV} \quad (N_f = 5, \overline{MS}, \mu = 2 \text{ GeV})$$

- light (u,d,s) and heavy (c,b,t) quark flavors:

$$m_{\text{light}} \ll \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$$

$$m_{\text{heavy}} \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$$

$$m_u = 2.2_{-0.4}^{+0.5} \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_c = 1.27 \pm 0.02 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_d = 4.7_{-0.2}^{+0.5} \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_b = 4.18_{-0.02}^{+0.03} \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_s = 93_{-5}^{+11} \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_t = 172.8 \pm 0.3 \text{ GeV}$$



Symmetries of QCD

- $SU(3)_c$ gauge symmetry (local)

– basic construction principle: $q(x) \rightarrow q^g(x) = U(x)q(x)$, $U(x) \in SU(3)$

$$A_\mu(x) \rightarrow A_\mu^g(x) = U(x)A_\mu(x)U(x)^\dagger - \frac{i}{g}\partial_\mu U(x) \cdot U^\dagger(x)$$

↔ relates the fermion-gauge field coupling to the 3-gluons and 4-gluon couplings

- $SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R$ chiral symmetry

→ spontaneously broken / Goldstone bosons

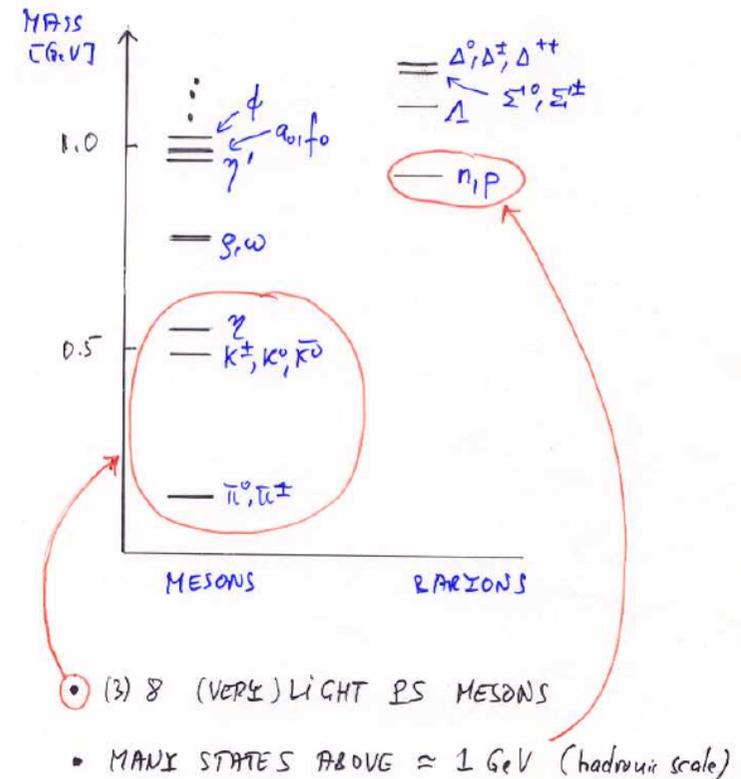
→ GBs clearly visible in the spectrum

- $U(1)_V \times U(1)_A$ “chiral” symmetry

→ $U(1)_V \sim \# \text{quarks} - \# \text{antiquarks}$

→ baryon number conservation

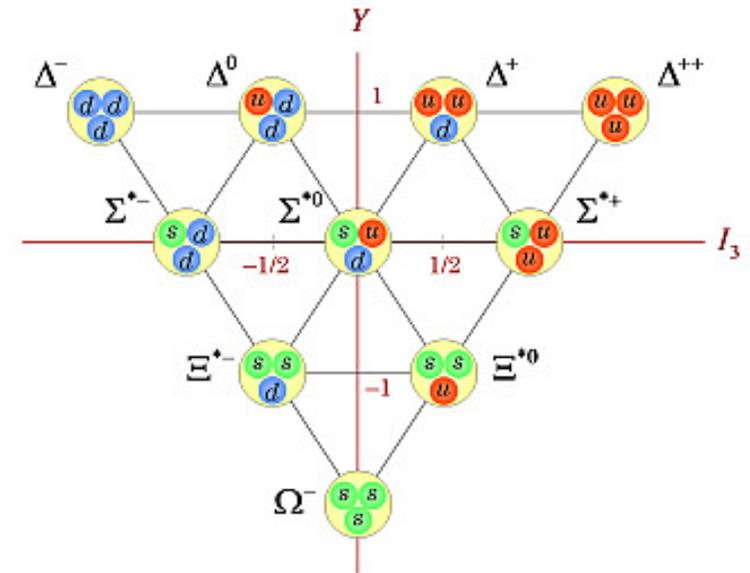
→ $U(1)_A$: anomalously broken → mass of the η'



Symmetries of QCD II

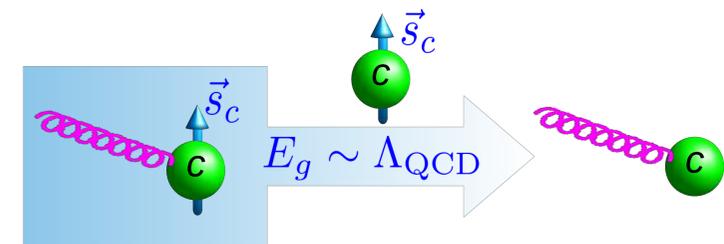
- Light quark flavor symmetries

- SU(2) isospin symmetry (u, d quarks)
- originally introduced by Heisenberg (NN int.)
- SU(3) flavor symmetry (u, d, s quarks)
- Gell-Mann's and Zweig's eightfold way



- Heavy quark spin-flavor symmetries

- SU(2) flavor symmetry (c, b quarks)
- SU(2) spin symmetry (c, b quarks)



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↪ these are all **approximate symmetries**

- combine these (also with chiral symmetry) in heavy-light systems
- light quarks: breakings controlled by $\Delta m_q / \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$
- heavy quarks: breakings controlled by $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} / m_Q$

Symmetries of QCD III

- Dilatation symmetry: Classical, massless QCD is invariant under scale trafo's

$$\psi(x) \rightarrow \lambda^{3/2} \psi(\lambda x), \quad A_\mu(x) \rightarrow \lambda A_\mu(\lambda x), \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$$

→ no massive states in QCD in this limit

→ anomalously broken (trace anomaly)

Wheeler 1950s

■ “Mass without Mass” – Geons

- Discrete symmetries: P, C and T

→ Parity transformation: $(x_0, \vec{x}) \rightarrow (x_0, -\vec{x})$
→ Charge conjugation: charge \rightarrow $-$ charge
→ Time (motion) reversal: $(x_0, \vec{x}) \rightarrow (-x_0, \vec{x})$ } fields $\psi(x), A_\mu(x)$ accordingly

↔ QCD is a Lorentz-invariant, micro-causal theory → CPT is conserved

Lüders, Wentzel, Pauli, ...

↔ QCD is separately invariant under P, C and T, if $\theta = 0$

→ Andreas' lectures

Symmetries and their realization

Symmetry realization in QFT I

- Consider a Hamiltonian \mathcal{H} invariant under some group \mathcal{G}

$$\rightarrow U\mathcal{H}U^\dagger = \mathcal{H}, \quad U \in \mathcal{G}$$

- U connects states that form an irrep of the group: $U|A\rangle = |B\rangle$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \text{this implies a multiplet structure: } E_A &= \langle A|\mathcal{H}|A\rangle = \langle A|U^\dagger\mathcal{H}U|A\rangle \\ &= \langle B|\mathcal{H}|B\rangle = E_B \end{aligned}$$

- This is the **Wigner-Weyl realization**: $Q^a|0\rangle = 0$ [$U = \exp(i\epsilon_a Q^a)$]

→ vacuum is annihilated by the symmetry charges

→ embodied in Coleman's theorem

Be Q^a a generator of a continuous symmetry group \mathcal{G} given as a space-time integral over the current density $J_\mu^a(\vec{x}, t)$ and $Q^a|0\rangle = 0$. Then it follows that \mathcal{H} remains invariant under transformations of the fields according to \mathcal{G} and the current is conserved, $\partial^\mu J_\mu^a = 0$.

Symmetry realization in QFT II

- **Nambu-Goldstone realization:** for some a let $\boxed{Q^a|0\rangle \neq 0}$
- **Broken charge, consider volume V :** $Q_V^a(t) = \int_V d^3x J_0^a(\vec{x}, t)$
 - since $\partial_\mu J_a^\mu = 0$, for any local operator A we have
 - $\int_V [\partial_\mu J_\mu^a, A] d^3x = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \lim_{V \rightarrow \infty} [\partial_t Q_V^a(t), A] = 0$
 - or $\lim_{V \rightarrow \infty} [Q_V^a(t), A] \equiv B^a$ with $\frac{dB^a}{dt} = 0$
 - ⇒ $\boxed{\langle 0|B^a|0\rangle \neq 0}$ signals the Nambu-Goldstone symmetry realization
- **Fabri-Picasso theorem:** If $Q^a|0\rangle \neq 0$ then $\lim_{V \rightarrow \infty} Q_V^a(t)$ does not exist
↔ never need the broken charge, only its well-defined commutators ✓

- Goldstone theorem:

In any local translationally invariant field theory with a conserved four-current, $\partial^\mu J_\mu^a = 0$, and a vacuum that is not annihilated by the charge $Q_V^a(t) = \int d^3x J_0^a(\vec{x}, t)$, i.e. $\langle 0 | [Q_V^a(t), A] | 0 \rangle \neq 0$, there are necessarily particles with zero mass, the so-called Goldstone bosons (in SUSY also fermions).

- Derivation in a nut-shell:

consider a broken generator $[Q, H] = 0$ but $Q|0\rangle \neq 0$

define $|\psi\rangle \equiv Q|0\rangle$

$$\rightarrow H|\psi\rangle = HQ|0\rangle = QH|0\rangle = 0$$

$$\rightarrow \text{not only G.S. } |0\rangle \text{ has } E = 0$$

There exist massless excitations $|n\rangle$, non-interacting as $E_n, p_n \rightarrow 0$

- Important property of Goldstone bosons: $\langle 0 | J_0^a(0) | n \rangle \neq 0$

Proof of Goldstone's theorem

- Consider the vev of B^a :

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \lim_{V \rightarrow \infty} \sum_n \left[\langle 0 | Q_V^a(t) | n \rangle \langle n | A | 0 \rangle - (Q_V^a \leftrightarrow A) \right] = \langle 0 | B^a(\vec{x}) | 0 \rangle \\
 &= \lim_{V \rightarrow \infty} \sum_n \left[\langle 0 | \int_V d^3x J_0^a(x) | n \rangle \langle n | A | 0 \rangle - (J_0^a \leftrightarrow A) \right] \\
 &= \lim_{V \rightarrow \infty} \sum_n \left[\langle 0 | \int_V d^3x J_0^a(0) | n \rangle \langle n | A | 0 \rangle e^{-ip_n x} - (J_0^a \leftrightarrow A) e^{+ip_n x} \right] \\
 &= \sum_n (2\pi)^3 \delta^{(3)}(\vec{p}_n) \left[\langle 0 | J_0^a(0) | n \rangle \langle n | A | 0 \rangle e^{-iE_n t} - \langle 0 | A | n \rangle \langle n | J_0^a(0) | 0 \rangle e^{+iE_n t} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

Now $\frac{d}{dt}(\text{l.h.s.}) \sim E_n$ but $\frac{d}{dt}(\text{r.h.s.}) \sim \dot{B}^a = 0$

$\Rightarrow \exists$ states for which $E_n \delta^{(3)}(\vec{p}_n)$ vanishes, i.e. $\vec{p}_n = 0, E_n = 0, M_n^2 = p^2 = 0$

- These massless states have the same quantum #s as J_0^a (scalar or pseudoscalar)
- Important property: $\langle 0 | J_0^a(0) | n \rangle \neq 0$ (necessary & sufficient condition for SSB)
- Theorem holds independently of perturbation theory
- Requires a minimum # of dimensions: $d > 2$ (continuous symmetry), $d > 1$ (discrete symmetry)

Coleman, Mermin, Wagner

Spontaneous symmetry breaking

- Consider a scalar field theory

$$\mathcal{L} = |\partial_\mu \phi|^2 - V(|\phi|), \quad \phi \text{ complex}$$

- Set: $\phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \rho e^{i\theta}$

- Rotational symmetry: $\theta \rightarrow \theta + \alpha$

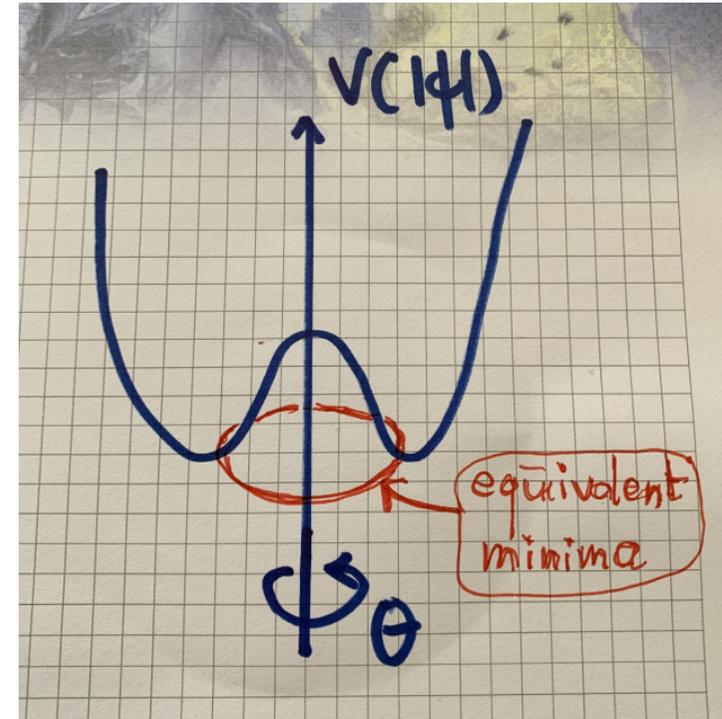
- Select one value of $\theta \Rightarrow$ SSB: $\rho(x) = \rho_0, \quad \theta = 0$

- Expand around this minimum: $\rho = \rho_0 + \chi$

$$\hookrightarrow \mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \chi)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \rho_0^2 (\partial_\mu \theta)^2 - V(\rho_0/2) - \frac{1}{2} \chi^2 V''(\rho_0/2) + \dots$$

$$\hookrightarrow M_\chi^2 = V''(\rho_0/2) \neq 0, \quad M_\theta^2 = 0$$

\hookrightarrow massless excitations in the θ -direction = Goldstone boson mode



Anomalous symmetry breaking

- What is an anomaly?

Anomaly = classical symmetry broken upon quantization

- Consider $\mathcal{L}(\psi, \bar{\psi}, \dots)$ with a symmetry

$$\psi \mapsto \psi' = e^{iS} \psi \Rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\psi', \bar{\psi}', \dots) = \mathcal{L}(\psi, \bar{\psi}, \dots)$$

- Quantum effects via the path integral:

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int [d\psi][d\bar{\psi}] \exp \left\{ i \int d^4x \mathcal{L}(\psi, \bar{\psi}, \dots) \right\}$$

$$e^{iS} : \quad [d\psi][d\bar{\psi}] \mapsto [d\psi'][d\bar{\psi}'] \mathcal{J} \quad \leftarrow \mathcal{J} \text{ is the Jacobian}$$

$$\mathcal{J} \neq 1 \Leftrightarrow \text{anomaly}$$

Triangle anomaly

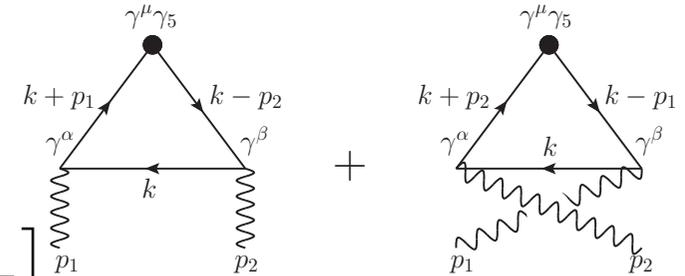
- First observed in $\pi^0 \rightarrow 2\gamma$

Sutherland, Adler, Bell, Jackiw

- QED three-point (VAA) function (perturbative calc.)

$$T^{\mu\alpha\beta}(p_1, p_2)$$

$$= e^2 \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4 i} \text{tr} \left[\gamma^\alpha \frac{1}{m_e - \not{k}} \gamma^\beta \frac{1}{m_e - \not{k} + \not{p}_2} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \frac{1}{m_e - \not{k} - \not{p}_1} \right] + [\alpha \leftrightarrow \beta, p_1 \leftrightarrow p_2]$$



- If we shift $k \rightarrow k - p_1$ or $k \rightarrow k + p_2$ in the integrand parts, then:

$$(p_1 + p_2)_\mu T^{\mu\alpha\beta}(p_1, p_2) = -e^2 \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4 i} \text{tr} \left[\gamma^\alpha \frac{1}{m_e - \not{k}} \gamma^\beta \frac{1}{m_e - \not{k} + \not{p}_2} 2m_e \gamma_5 \frac{1}{m_e - \not{k} - \not{p}_1} \right] + [\alpha \leftrightarrow \beta, p_1 \leftrightarrow p_2]$$

- This corresponds to the naive identity:

$$\partial_\mu A^\mu(x) = \partial_\mu [\bar{\psi}(x) \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \psi(x)] = 2im_e \bar{\psi}(x) \gamma_5 \psi(x)$$

\hookrightarrow as on the classical level (no π^0 decay)

Triangle anomaly - a second look

- The integrals are divergent, use a Pauli-Villars type regularization:

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_{\text{reg}}^{\mu\alpha\beta}(p_1, p_2) &= T^{\mu\alpha\beta}(p_1, p_2) - T_{\Lambda}^{\mu\alpha\beta}(p_1, p_2) \\
 \Rightarrow (p_1 + p_2)_{\mu} T_{\text{reg}}^{\mu\alpha\beta}(p_1, p_2) &= \left(-e^2 \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4 i} \text{tr} \left[\gamma^{\alpha} \frac{1}{m_e - \not{k}} \gamma^{\beta} \frac{1}{m_e - \not{k} + \not{p}_2} 2m_e \gamma_5 \frac{1}{m_e - \not{k} - \not{p}_1} \right] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + e^2 \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4 i} \text{tr} \left[\gamma^{\alpha} \frac{1}{\Lambda - \not{k}} \gamma^{\beta} \frac{1}{\Lambda - \not{k} + \not{p}_2} 2\Lambda \gamma_5 \frac{1}{\Lambda - \not{k} - \not{p}_1} \right] \right) \\
 &\quad + [\alpha \leftrightarrow \beta, p_1 \leftrightarrow p_2]
 \end{aligned}$$

- Using Feynman parametrization and some algebra leads to:

$$\lim_{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} (p_1 + p_2)_{\mu} T_{\Lambda}^{\mu\alpha\beta}(p_1, p_2) = -\frac{ie^2}{2\pi^2} \varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\lambda\rho} p_{1\lambda} p_{2\rho}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{
 \partial_{\mu} A^{\mu}(x) = 2im_e \bar{\psi}(x) \gamma_5 \psi(x) - \underbrace{\frac{e^2}{16\pi^2} \varepsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \mathcal{F}^{\mu\nu}(x) \mathcal{F}^{\alpha\beta}(x)}_{\text{anomaly}}
 }$$

Triangle anomaly - more remarks

- Requires regularization, same results with dim. reg. or point-split techniques
- In more detail: Add a polynomial in p_1, p_2 to $T^{\mu\alpha\beta}(p_1, p_2)$, use Lorentz-invariance, invariance under parity and Bose symmetry:

$$T^{\mu\alpha\beta}(p_1, p_2) \rightarrow T^{\mu\alpha\beta}(p_1, p_2) + a\varepsilon^{\mu\alpha\beta\nu}(p_1 - p_2)_\nu$$

$$\hookrightarrow (p_1 + p_2)_\mu T^{\mu\alpha\beta}(p_1, p_2) \rightarrow (p_1 + p_2)_\mu T^{\mu\alpha\beta}(p_1, p_2) - 2a\varepsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta}p_{1\mu}p_{2\nu}$$

- Choose $a = -\frac{ie^2}{4\pi^2} \rightarrow$ anomalous term disappears
- But what happens to the Ward identities for the vector current?

$$p_{1\alpha}T^{\mu\alpha\beta}(p_1, p_2) = p_{2\beta}T^{\mu\alpha\beta}(p_1, p_2) = 0$$

$$\text{since } p_{1\alpha}\varepsilon^{\mu\alpha\beta\nu}(p_1 - p_2)_\nu = -\varepsilon^{\mu\alpha\beta\nu}p_{1\alpha}p_{2\nu} \neq 0 \Rightarrow a = 0$$

- **No choice of a** that allows for both naive Ward identities to hold

\hookrightarrow Choose a so that the conserved vector current is anomaly free (QED, QCD)

\hookrightarrow Requires anomaly cancellation in the Standard model

- Path integral formulation: Non-invariance of the fermionic measure = anomaly

$$Z = \int d\psi d\bar{\psi} \exp \left\{ - \int d^4x \bar{\psi}(x) \underbrace{\gamma_\mu D_\mu}_{\text{Dirac operator}} \psi(x) \right\}, \quad D_\mu = \partial_\mu + G_\mu$$

- Expand the massless Dirac operator in eigenfunctions

$$\not{D}\psi_\lambda = i\lambda\psi_\lambda, \quad \bar{\psi}_\lambda (\overleftarrow{\not{D}}) = i\lambda\bar{\psi}_\lambda, \quad \int d^4x \bar{\psi}_\lambda(x) \psi_{\lambda'}(x) = \delta_{\lambda\lambda'}$$

$$\psi(x) = \sum_\lambda a_\lambda \psi_\lambda(x), \quad \bar{\psi}(x) = \sum_\lambda \bar{\psi}_\lambda(x) \bar{a}_\lambda \quad \rightarrow \quad \boxed{d\psi d\bar{\psi} = \prod_\lambda da_\lambda d\bar{a}_\lambda}$$

- Local singlet axial transformations:

$$a_\lambda \mapsto \int d^4x \bar{\psi}_\lambda(x) (1 + i\beta^0(x)\gamma^5) \psi(x) = \sum_{\lambda'} (\delta_{\lambda\lambda'} + C_{\lambda\lambda'}) a_{\lambda'}$$

$$C_{\lambda\lambda'} = i \int d^4x \beta^0(x) \bar{\psi}_\lambda(x) \gamma^5 \psi_{\lambda'}(x)$$

- Jacobian: $d\psi d\bar{\psi} \mapsto J^{-2} d\psi d\bar{\psi}$

$$\hookrightarrow J = \det(\mathbb{1} + C) = \exp(\text{Tr}(\ln(\mathbb{1} + C))) = \exp \left\{ \sum_\lambda C_{\lambda\lambda} + O(\beta^2) \right\}$$

- Evaluation of the Jacobian: $\ln J = i \int d^4x \beta^0(x) \underbrace{\sum_{\lambda} \bar{\psi}_{\lambda}(x) \gamma^5 \psi_{\lambda}(x)}_{\doteq S(x)}$

- Regulate the divergent sum over EV:

$$\sum_{\lambda} \bar{\psi}_{\lambda}(x) \gamma^5 \psi_{\lambda}(x) \rightarrow \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{\lambda} e^{-\lambda^2/M^2} \bar{\psi}_{\lambda}(x) \gamma^5 \psi_{\lambda}(x) = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} S_M(x)$$

$$S_M(x) = \sum_{\lambda} \bar{\psi}_{\lambda}(x) \gamma^5 e^{\not{D}^2/M^2} \psi_{\lambda}(x) = \langle x | \text{tr} \left(\gamma^5 e^{\not{D}^2/M^2} \right) | x \rangle, \quad \not{D}^2 = D^2 - \frac{i}{2} \sigma_{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}$$

tr = trace over Dirac, color and flavor indices

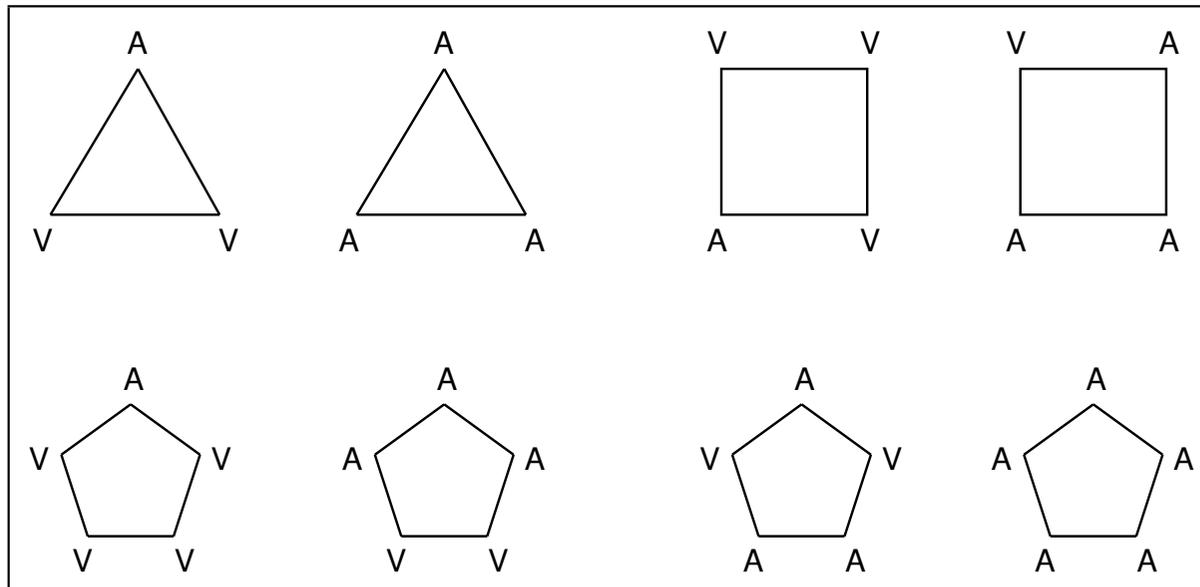
- After some algebra: $\lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} S_M(x) = \frac{N_f}{32\pi^2} \varepsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \text{tr}_c(F_{\mu\nu} F_{\alpha\beta})$

$$\hookrightarrow J = \exp \left\{ i \int d^4x \beta^0(x) \underbrace{\frac{N_f}{32\pi^2} \varepsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \text{tr}_c(F_{\mu\nu} F_{\alpha\beta})}_{\text{anomaly}} + O(\beta^2) \right\}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \partial_{\mu} A_{\mu}^0(x) = \frac{N_f}{16\pi^2} \varepsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \text{tr}_c(F_{\mu\nu} F_{\alpha\beta}) \rightarrow \text{known result w/o perturbation th'y!}$$

More on anomalies

- Anomalies appear rather often, a generic feature of most QFTs
- In the general non-abelian case, the following diagrams can lead to anomalies



- Anomaly matching relates anomalous W.I. between fundamental & effective theories
- In the language of the EFT of QCD, anomalies are represented in terms of the Wess-Zumino–Witten effective action + Witten-Veneziano formula + ...

't Hooft (1980)

Wess, Zumino (1971), Witten (1979, 1983), Veneziano (1979)

Chiral symmetry in QCD

Introduction to chiral symmetry

- Massless fermions exhibit **chiral symmetry**:

$$\mathcal{L} = i\bar{\psi}\gamma_{\mu}\partial^{\mu}\psi$$

- left/right-decomposition:

$$\psi = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \gamma_5)\psi + \frac{1}{2}(1 + \gamma_5)\psi = P_L\psi + P_R\psi = \psi_L + \psi_R$$

- projectors:

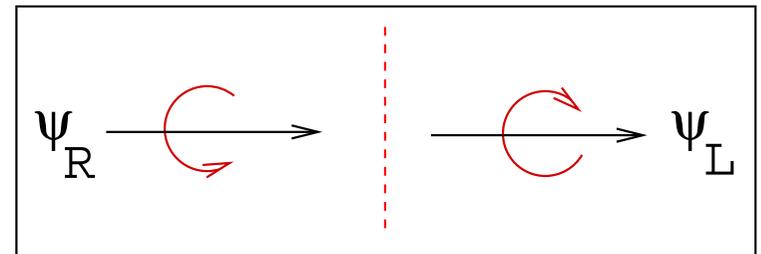
$$P_L^2 = P_L, P_R^2 = P_R, P_L \cdot P_R = 0, P_L + P_R = \mathbb{1}$$

- helicity eigenstates:

$$\frac{1}{2}\hat{h}\psi_{L,R} = \pm\frac{1}{2}\psi_{L,R} \quad \hat{h} = \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}/|\vec{p}|$$

- L/R fields do **not** interact \rightarrow conserved L/R currents

$$\mathcal{L} = i\bar{\psi}_L\gamma_{\mu}\partial^{\mu}\psi_L + i\bar{\psi}_R\gamma_{\mu}\partial^{\mu}\psi_R$$



- mass terms break chiral symmetry: $\bar{\psi}\mathcal{M}\psi = \bar{\psi}_R\mathcal{M}\psi_L + \bar{\psi}_L\mathcal{M}\psi_R$

Chiral symmetry of QCD

- Three flavor QCD:

$$\boxed{\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}}^0 - \bar{q}\mathcal{M}q}, \quad q = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \\ s \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{M} = \begin{pmatrix} m_u & & \\ & m_d & \\ & & m_s \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}}^0$ is invariant under **chiral** $SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R$ (split off U(1)'s)

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}}^0(G_{\mu\nu}, q', D_\mu q') = \mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}}^0(G_{\mu\nu}, q, D_\mu q)$$

$$q' = RP_R q + LP_L q = Rq_R + Lq_L \quad R, L \in SU(3)_{R,L}$$

- conserved L/R-handed [vector/axial-vector] Noether currents:

$$J_{L,R}^{\mu,a} = \bar{q}_{L,R} \gamma^\mu \frac{\lambda^a}{2} q_{L,R}, \quad a = 1, \dots, 8$$

$$\partial_\mu J_{L,R}^{\mu,a} = 0 \quad [\text{or } V^\mu = J_L^\mu + J_R^\mu, \quad A^\mu = J_L^\mu - J_R^\mu]$$

- Is this symmetry reflected in the vacuum structure/hadron spectrum?

The fate of QCD's chiral symmetry

- The chiral symmetry is not “visible”, it is “hidden” (spontaneously broken)

- no parity doublets

$$\hookrightarrow M_\rho \neq M_{a_1}, M_N \neq M_{S_{11}}, \dots$$

- $\langle 0|AA|0\rangle \neq \langle 0|VV|0\rangle$

$$\hookrightarrow \int \frac{ds}{s} [\rho_V(s) - \rho_A(s)] = F_\pi^2$$

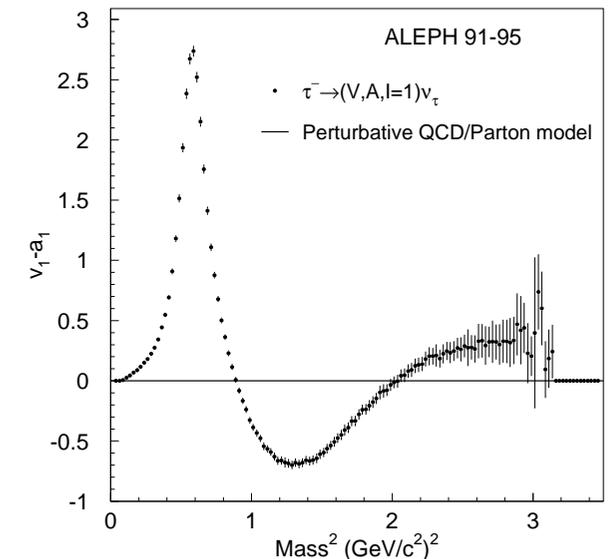
- scalar condensate $\bar{q}q = \bar{q}_L q_R + \bar{q}_R q_L$ acquires v.e.v.

\hookrightarrow another order parameter of SSB

- Vafa-Witten theorem [NPB 234 (1984) 173]

\hookrightarrow If $\theta = 0$, vector symmetries can not be spontaneously broken

- (almost) massless pseudoscalar bosons



The fate of QCD's chiral symmetry II

- Wigner mode $Q_5^a|0\rangle = Q^a|0\rangle = 0$ ($a = 1, \dots, 8$) ?

- parity doublets: $dQ_5^a/dt = 0 \rightarrow [H, Q_5^a] = 0$

single particle state: $H|\psi_p\rangle = E_p|\psi_p\rangle$

axial rotation: $H(e^{iQ_5^a}|\psi_p\rangle) = e^{iQ_5^a}H|\psi_p\rangle = \underbrace{E_p(e^{iQ_5^a}|\psi_p\rangle)}$

same mass but opposite parity

- VV and AA spectral functions (without pion pole):

$$\begin{aligned} \langle 0|VV|0\rangle &= \langle 0|(L+R)(L+R)|0\rangle = \langle 0|L^2 + R^2 + 2LR|0\rangle = \langle 0|L^2 + R^2|0\rangle \\ &\parallel \\ \langle 0|AA|0\rangle &= \langle 0|(L-R)(L-R)|0\rangle = \langle 0|L^2 + R^2 - 2LR|0\rangle = \langle 0|L^2 + R^2|0\rangle \end{aligned}$$

since L and R are orthogonal

The fate of QCD's chiral symmetry III

- Chiral symmetry is realized in the Nambu-Goldstone mode

- pions indeed couple to the vacuum

$$\hookrightarrow \langle 0 | A_\mu^j(0) | \pi^k(p) \rangle = i F_\pi p_\mu \delta^{jk}, \quad F_\pi \simeq 92 \text{ MeV}$$

- weakly interacting massless pseudoscalar excitations

\hookrightarrow this can be tested experimentally

- approximate symmetry (small quark masses)

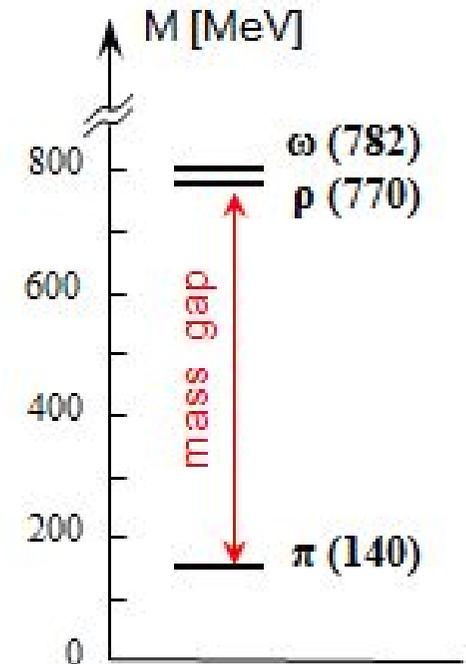
$$\hookrightarrow M_{\pi^\pm}^2 \sim (m_u + m_d)$$

$\hookrightarrow \pi, K, \eta$ as Pseudo-Goldstone Bosons

- An appropriately tailored effective field theory can be set up

\hookrightarrow Chiral Perturbation Theory

\hookrightarrow perturbative expansion in p/Λ and M_π/Λ including loops



Weinberg, Gasser, Leutwyler

Chiral perturbation theory in a nutshell

- Low-energy EFT of QCD: $\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}}(q, \bar{q}, G) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}(U, s, p, v, a)$

↪ same Ward identities = exact mapping

Leutwyler, Weinberg

- Chiral effective Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \mathcal{L}^{(2)} + \mathcal{L}^{(4)} + \dots$$

↪ systematic expansion in small momenta and quark (pion) masses

$$D = 2 + \sum_d N_d (d-2) + 2N_L$$

↪ leading order: trees
 next-to-leading order:
 trees and one-loop graphs, ...

↪ order-by-order renormalization

↪ some processes to two loops

↪ very successful framework

POWER COUNTING: ONE EXAMPLE

- $\pi\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi$



- LOWEST ORDER $\mathcal{O}(q^2)$

$$d=2, N_L=0 \Rightarrow \underline{D=2}$$



- NEXT-TO-LEADING ORDER $\mathcal{O}(q^4)$

$$1) \quad d=4, N_L=0 \Rightarrow \underline{D=4}$$



$$2) \quad d=2, N_L=1 \Rightarrow \underline{D=4}$$



LOOPS

$$\sim \int d^4 q \frac{q_1 \cdot q_2 \cdot q_3 \cdot q_4}{(q^2 - M_\sigma^2)(q^2 - M_\sigma^2)} \sim \mathcal{O}(q^4)$$

Elastic pion-pion scattering

- Purest process in two-flavor chiral dynamics (really light quarks)
- Scattering amplitude at threshold: two numbers (a_0, a_2)
- Very precise prediction: match 2-loop representation to Roy equation solution

$$\text{Roy + 2-loop: } a_0 = 0.220 \pm 0.005$$

Colangelo, Gasser, Leutwyler, Phys. Lett . B488 (2000) 261

- Same precision for a_2 , but corrections very small . . .
- Experiment: Kaon decays ($K_{\ell 4}, K \rightarrow 3\pi$) and the lifetime of pionium

$$a_0 = 0.2210 \pm 0.0047_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.0040_{\text{sys}}$$

$$a_2 = -0.0429 \pm 0.0044_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.0028_{\text{sys}}$$

Batley et al. [NA48/2 Coll.] EPJ C70 (2010) 635

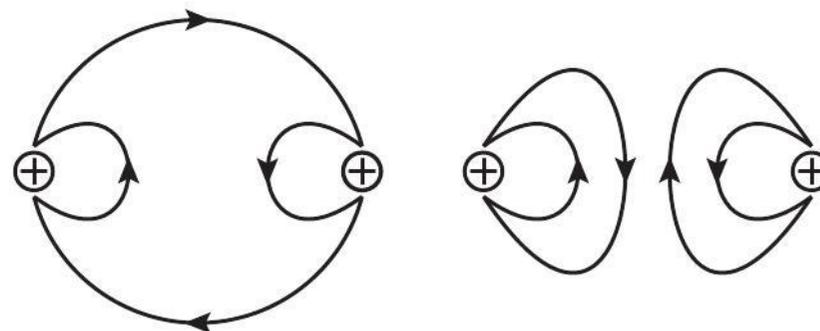
$$|a_0 - a_2| = 0.2533^{+0.0107}_{-0.0137}$$

Adeva et al. [DIRAC Coll.] Phys. Lett. B704 (2011) 24

Elastic pion-pion scattering – lattice a_0

- Only a few lattice determinations of a_0
 - ↳ disconnected diagrams difficult
 - ↳ quantum numbers of the vacuum
 - ↳ qualitative insight from large- N_C

Guo, Liu, UGM, Wang, Phys. Rev. D88 (2013) 074506



- Available unquenched lattice results:

Author(s)	a_0	Fermion action	Pion mass range
Fu	0.214(4)(7)	asqtad staggered	240 - 430 MeV
Liu et al.	0.198(9)(6)	twisted mass	250 - 320 MeV

Fu, PRD87 (2013) 074501; Liu et al., PRD96 (2017) 054516

→ use EFT of PQCD to investigate these contributions

Acharya, Guo, UGM, Seng, Nucl. Phys. B922 (2017) 480

→ more work needed!

Chiral anomaly and the Wess-Zumino-Witten term

- Redundant symmetries of the chiral effective Lagrangian, consider (massless) $\mathcal{L}^{(2)}$

$$\mathcal{L}^{(2)} = \frac{F_\pi^2}{4} \langle \partial_\mu U \partial^\mu U^\dagger \rangle, \quad U(x) = \exp(i\lambda^a \phi^a(x)/F_\pi), \quad U \in SU(3)$$

- Parity: $PU(\vec{x}, t)P^{-1} = U^\dagger(-\vec{x}, t)$ like QCD

- $\mathcal{L}^{(2)}$ has two extra symmetries, unlike QCD

$$U(\vec{x}, t) \mapsto U(-\vec{x}, t), \quad U(\vec{x}, t) \mapsto U^\dagger(\vec{x}, t) \quad \text{conserves intrinsic parity } (P_I)$$

- Intrinsic parity: $P_I = +1 / -1$ for a true/pseudo-tensor of rank k

- Examples

$$\pi\pi \rightarrow \pi\pi \quad (-1) \cdot (-1) = (-1) \cdot (-1) \quad \checkmark \quad \pi^0 \rightarrow 2\gamma \quad (-1) = (+1) \cdot (+1) \quad ?$$

$$\gamma\pi^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \quad (+1) \cdot (-1) = (-1) \quad \checkmark \quad \gamma \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0 \quad (+1) = (-1) \cdot (-1) \cdot (-1) \quad ?$$

$$\eta \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0 \quad (-1) = (-1) \cdot (-1) \cdot (-1) \quad \checkmark \quad K\bar{K} \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\pi^0 \quad (-1)^2 = (-1)^3 \quad ?$$

$\hookrightarrow \mathcal{L}^{(2)}$ conserves P_I , i.e. the number of Goldstone bosons mod 2 [holds for all $\mathcal{L}^{(2n)}$]

but QCD does **not**!

- Break the redundant symmetries (EoM)

Witten (1983)

$$\frac{i}{2} F_\pi^2 \partial^\mu L_\mu + \lambda \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} L_\mu L_\nu L_\alpha L_\beta = 0, \quad L_\mu = U^\dagger \partial_\mu U$$

- This can not be written as a 4-dimensional Lagrangian, so [some algebra]

$$S_{WZW} = -\frac{in}{240\pi^2} \int_{S^5} d^5x \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta\gamma} \langle L_\mu L_\nu L_\alpha L_\beta L_\gamma \rangle, \quad S^5 = \partial M^5$$

- topological quantization to resolve path ambiguity in S^5
- electromagnetic gauging $\rightarrow n = N_C$ (c.f. $T(\pi^0 \rightarrow 2\gamma)$)
- many testable predictions, e.g.

$$T(\gamma \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0) = -\epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \epsilon^\mu k^\nu p_-^\alpha p_+^\beta F(s, t, u)$$

$$\hookrightarrow F(0, 0, 0) = \frac{eN_C}{12\pi^2 F_\pi^3} = 9.7 \text{ GeV}^{-3}$$

Light quark flavor symmetries

Isospin symmetry

- Nucleon-nucleon interactions are approximately invariant under

$$N \mapsto N' = U N, \quad U \in SU(2), \quad N = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ n \end{pmatrix}$$

Heisenberg (1932)

- For $m_u = m_d$, QCD is invariant under SU(2) isospin transformations

$$q \mapsto q' = U q, \quad q = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix} \quad U = \begin{pmatrix} a^* & b^* \\ -b & a \end{pmatrix} \quad |a|^2 + |b|^2 = 1$$

- Rewrite the QCD quark mass term

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{QCD}}^{\text{mass}} = m_u \bar{u}u + m_d \bar{d}d = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(m_u + m_d)(\bar{u}u + \bar{d}d)}_{I=0} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}(m_u - m_d)(\bar{u}u - \bar{d}d)}_{I=1}$$

- Sources of isospin breaking: $m_u \neq m_d$ and electromagnetism

↪ strong breaking expected to be small:

$$\frac{m_d}{m_u} \simeq 2 \quad \text{but} \quad \frac{m_d - m_u}{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}} \ll 1$$

↪ em breaking small $\sim \alpha \sim 1/137$

The proton-neutron mass difference

- Two contributions of similar size to combine to $m_n - m_p = 1.3 \text{ MeV}$

- Mass difference given by: $m_p - m_n = \underbrace{4c_5 B(m_d - m_u)}_{\text{strong}} - \underbrace{F_\pi^2 e^2 f_2}_{\text{em}}$

- EM contribution from the Cottingham sum rule

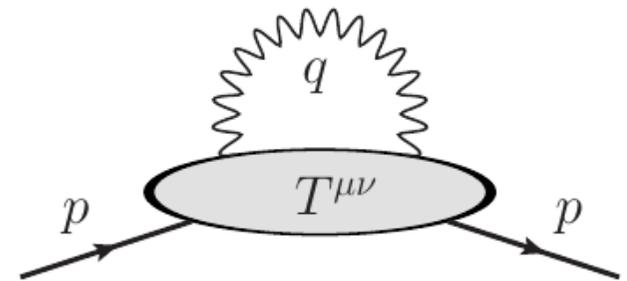
Cottingham (1968)

$$\delta m_N^{\text{em}} \sim e^2 \int d^4 q D(q^2) g_{\mu\nu} \left(T_p^{\mu\nu}(p, q) - T_n^{\mu\nu}(p, q) \right)$$

$$= 0.58 \pm 0.16 \text{ MeV}$$

Gasser, Leutwyler, Rusetsky (2021)

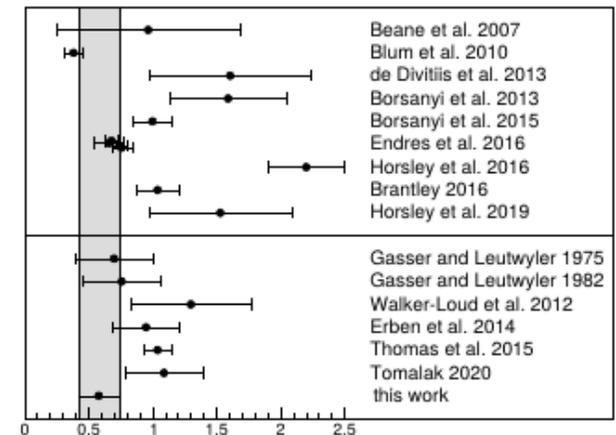
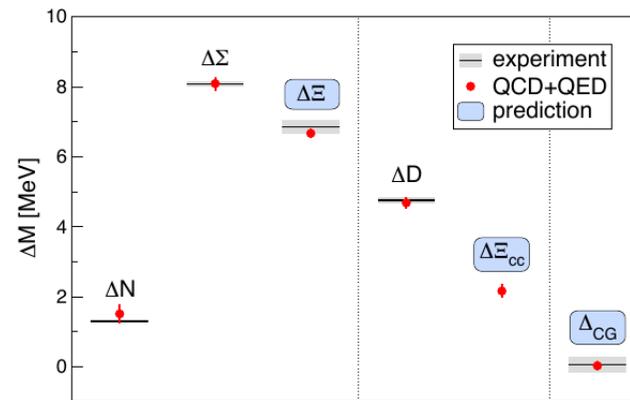
$$\hookrightarrow \delta m_N^{\text{strong}} = -1.87 \mp 0.15 \text{ MeV}$$



- Other determinations of δm_N^{em} using the Cottingham sum rule or lattice QCD (also $\delta m_N^{\text{strong}}$)

Gasser, Leutwyler, Rusetsky (2020)

Borsanyi et al. (2015)



SU(3) flavor symmetry

- Introduced to bring order into the hadron zoo, the (constituent) quark model
Gell-Mann, Zweig (1964)
- Flavor SU(3) in QCD refers to the light up, down and strange (current) quarks
- For $m_u = m_d = m_s$, QCD is invariant under SU(3) flavor transformations
[the unbroken SU(3)]

$$q \mapsto q' = U q, \quad q = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \\ s \end{pmatrix} \quad U \in SU(3) \quad [\text{Gell-Mann matrices}]$$

- Sources of SU(3) flavor breaking: $m_s \neq m_d, m_u$ and electromagnetism

↪ strong breaking expected to be sizeable:

$$m_s \gg m_d, m_u \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{m_s}{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}} \simeq \frac{1}{2}$$

↪ em breaking small $\sim \alpha \sim 1/137$

- Still, some rather precise predictions (Gell-Mann–Okubo mass formula):

$$\frac{1}{4} (m_N + m_{\Xi}) = \frac{3}{4} (m_{\Lambda} + m_{\Sigma}) \quad \text{i.e.} \quad 1128.5 \text{ MeV} \simeq 1135.3 \text{ MeV}$$

Calculation of hadron masses

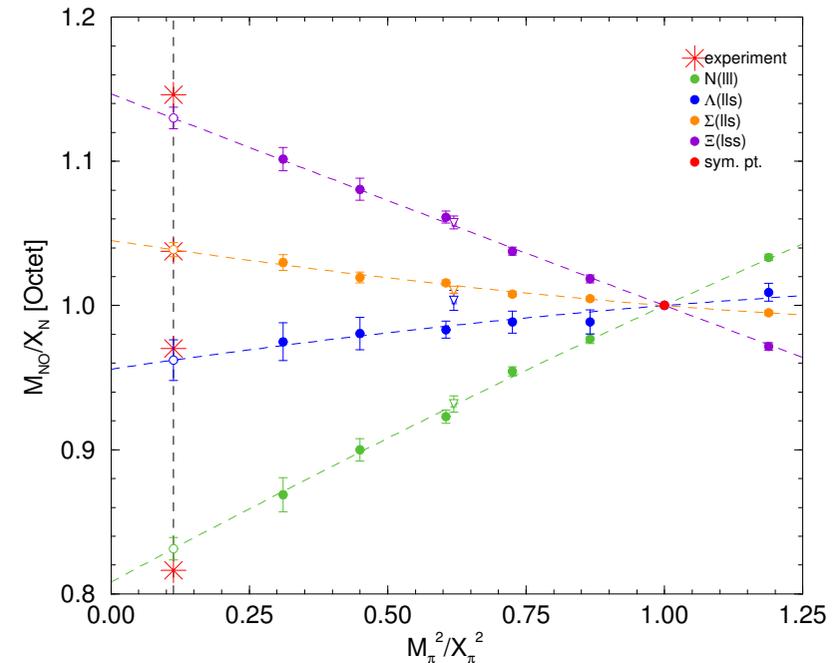
- SU(3) limit $m_s = m_d = m_u$ is

↪ starting point in lattice QCD calculations

↪ increase m_s & decrease m_d, m_u

↪ fan-plots & rather accurate calculations

Bietenholz et al., Phys. Rev. D **84** (2011) 054509



- SU(3) limit $m_s = m_d = m_u$ is

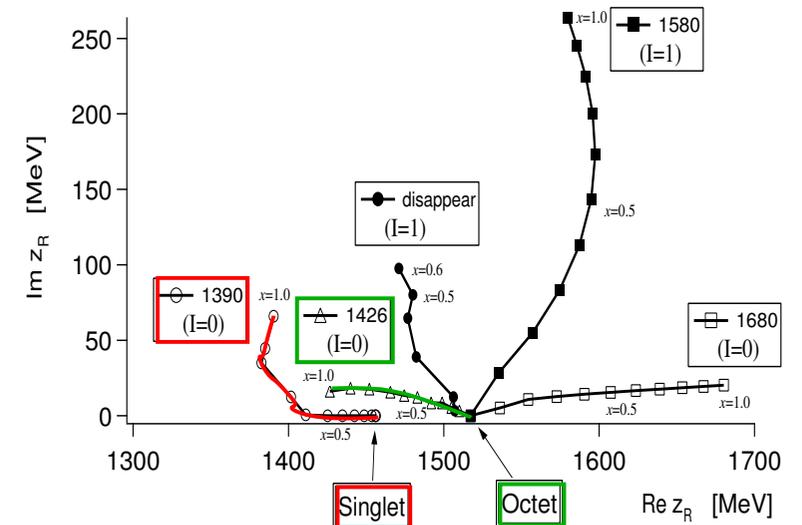
↪ starting point in unitarized CHPT calculations

↪ $x = 0 \rightarrow 1$ from the sym. pt. to the phys. world

↪ two-pole structure of the $\Lambda(1405)$ emerges

Oller, UGM, Phys. Lett. **500** (2001) 263

Jido, Oller, Oset, Ramos, UGM, Nucl. Phys. **725** (2003) 181



Dimensional transmutation, the trace anomaly & all that

Scale invariance and its breaking

- Massless classical QCD is scale-invariant, no massive particles emerge
 - ↪ this scale invariance is obviously broken (anomaly), e.g. $m_p \neq 0$
 - ↪ dimensional transmutation generates a scale Λ_{QCD} , so $m_p \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$
 - ↪ how are these phenomena linked?

- Classical QCD, rewritten in a symmetrized form:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \frac{1}{2g^2} \text{tr}_c(F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu}) + \bar{\psi} \left(\frac{i}{2} \gamma^\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu - \mathcal{M} \right) \psi$$

- Conserved and gauge-invariant *energy-momentum tensor*:

$$\bar{\theta}_{\mu\nu} = \frac{i}{2} \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}_\nu \psi + 2 \text{tr}_c \left(F_{\mu\lambda} F_\nu^\lambda - \frac{1}{4} g_{\mu\nu} F_{\lambda\rho} F^{\lambda\rho} \right), \quad \bar{\theta}_\mu^\mu = \bar{\psi} \mathcal{M} \psi$$

- M.E. of $\bar{\theta}_{\mu\nu}$ in some hadron $|k\rangle$:

$$\langle k | \bar{\theta}_{\mu\nu}(0) | k \rangle = a k_\mu k_\nu + b g_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow a = 2, b = 0 \text{ from momentum operator}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \langle k | \bar{\theta}_\mu^\mu(0) | k \rangle = 2M^2 \rightarrow \text{all hadrons are massless as } \mathcal{M} \rightarrow 0 \text{ ???}$$

Scale transformations in QCD

- Scale transformations: $\psi(x) \mapsto \lambda^{3/2}\psi(\lambda x)$, $G_\mu(x) \mapsto \lambda G_\mu(\lambda x)$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$
- Simplified derivation of the trace anomaly, gluons described by an external field

$$Z(G_\mu) = \int d\psi d\bar{\psi} \exp \left\{ i \int d^4x \mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} \right\}$$

- Inf. scale trafo's: $\psi(x) \mapsto \left(1 - \frac{\epsilon(x)}{2}\right)\psi(x)$, $\bar{\psi}(x) \mapsto \left(1 - \frac{\epsilon(x)}{2}\right)\bar{\psi}(x)$

$$\hookrightarrow Z(G_\mu) = \int d\psi d\bar{\psi} J^{-2} \exp \left\{ i \int d^4x (\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} - \epsilon(\bar{\theta}_\mu^\mu(x) - \bar{\psi}(x)\mathcal{M}\psi(x))) \right\}$$

- Ward identity of first order in $\epsilon(x)$:

$$\int d\psi d\bar{\psi} \left(i \int d^4x \epsilon(x) (\bar{\theta}_\mu^\mu(x) - \bar{\psi}(x)\mathcal{M}\psi(x)) + 2 \ln J \right) \exp \left\{ i \int d^4x \mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} \right\} = 0$$

- if $J = 1$, same as on the classical level
- the anomaly will emerge from the fermionic measure, let's calculate it!

Trace anomaly

- Use the Fujikawa method:

$$\ln J = \ln(\det(e^{-\epsilon/2})) = - \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \int d^4x \frac{\epsilon(x)}{2} \langle x | \text{tr} \left(e^{(i\mathcal{D})^2/M^2} \right) | x \rangle \right\}$$

- Use $[D_\mu, D_\nu] = F_{\mu\nu}$ and let $M \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\ln J = i \int d^4x \frac{\epsilon(x)}{2} \frac{N_f}{24\pi^2} \text{tr}_c(F_{\mu\nu}(x) F^{\mu\nu}(x))$$

⇒ the trace of the energy-momentum tensor is:

$$\bar{\theta}_\mu^\mu = \bar{\psi} \mathcal{M} \psi - \frac{N_f}{24\pi^2} \text{tr}_c(F_{\mu\nu}(x) F^{\mu\nu}(x)) \neq 0 \text{ as } \mathcal{M} \rightarrow 0$$

- Full calculation:

Collins, Crewther, Chanowitz, Ellis, Nielsen

$$\bar{\theta}_\mu^\mu(x) = (1 + \gamma_m(g_r)) [\bar{\psi}(x) \mathcal{M}_r \psi(x)]_r - \frac{\beta(g_r)}{g_r^3} [\text{tr}_c(F_{\mu\nu}(x) F^{\mu\nu}(x))]_r$$

$$m_N = \langle N(p) | \theta_\mu^\mu | N(p) \rangle$$
$$= \langle N(p) | \underbrace{\frac{\beta_{\text{QCD}}}{2g} G_{\mu\nu}^a G_a^{\mu\nu}}_{\text{field energy}} + \underbrace{m_u \bar{u}u + m_d \bar{d}d + m_s \bar{s}s}_{\text{Higgs}} | N(p) \rangle$$

- Dissect the various contributions:

$$\star \langle N(p) | m_u \bar{u}u + m_d \bar{d}d | N(p) \rangle = 40 \dots 70 \text{ MeV} \doteq \sigma_{\pi N}$$

from the analysis of the pion-nucleon sigma term & lattice QCD (before 2015)

Gasser, Leutwyler, Sainio; Borasoy & M., Büttiker & M., Pavan et al., Alarcon et al. . . .

$$\star \langle N(p) | m_s \bar{s}s | N(p) \rangle = 20 \dots 60 \text{ MeV} \quad \text{from lattice}$$

⇒ bulk of the nucleon mass is generated by the gluon fields / field energy

⇒ this is a central result of QCD

⇒ requires better Roy-Steiner analysis of πN and lattice data

↪ discuss this w/o all details

σ -term basics

- Scalar form factor of the nucleon (isospin limit $\hat{m} = (m_u + m_d)/2$):

$$\sigma_{\pi N}(t) = \langle N(p') | \hat{m}(\bar{u}u + \bar{d}d) | N(p) \rangle, \quad t = (p' - p)^2$$

- Cheng-Dashen Low-Energy Theorem (LET):

Cheng, Dashen (1971)

$$\bar{D}^+(\nu = 0, t = 2M_\pi^2) = \sigma(2M_\pi^2) + \Delta_R$$

$$\left[\nu = \frac{s-u}{4m_N} \right]$$

- \bar{D}^+ – isospin-even, Born-term subtracted pion-nucleon scattering amplitude

$$\bar{D}^+(0, 2M_\pi^2) = A^+(m_N^2, 2M_\pi^2) - \frac{g_{\pi N}^2}{m_N}$$

↪ best determined from πN data using dispersion relations (unphysical region)

- reminder Δ_R , calculated in CHPT to $\mathcal{O}(p^4)$, no chiral logs

$$\Delta_R \lesssim 2 \text{ MeV}$$

Bernard, Kaiser, UGM (1996)

σ -term basics continued

- Standard decomposition of the σ -term: $\sigma_{\pi N} = \sigma_{\pi N}(0)$

$$\sigma_{\pi N} = \Sigma_d + \Delta_D - \Delta_\sigma - \Delta_R$$

$$\Sigma_d = F_\pi^2(d_{00}^+ + 2M_\pi^2 d_{01}^+) \quad \rightarrow \text{full RS analysis}$$

$$\Delta_D = \bar{D}^+(0, 2M_\pi^2) - \Sigma_d$$
$$\Delta_\sigma = \sigma(2M_\pi^2) - \sigma_{\pi N}$$

} \rightarrow RS t-channel analysis

- d_{00}^+, d_{01}^+ – subthreshold expansion coefficients (around $\nu = t = 0$)

- Strong $\pi\pi$ rescattering in Δ_D and Δ_σ , the difference is small!

Gasser, Leutwyler, Sainio (1991)

- Most precise analysis of the scalar form factor of the nucleon:

Hoferichter, Ditsche, Kubis, UGM (2012)

$$\Delta_D - \Delta_\sigma = (-1.8 \pm 0.2) \text{ MeV}$$

Roy-Steiner equations in a nutshell

- Roy-Steiner (RS) equations = hyperbolic dispersion relations (HDRs):

$$\boxed{(s - a)(u - a) = b}, \quad a, b \in \mathbb{R} \quad [b = b(s, t, a)]$$

Steiner (1968), Roy(1971), Hite, Steiner (1973)

- why HDRs?

- ↪ combine all *physical regions*
very important for a reliable continuation to the subthreshold region
Stahov (1999)
- ↪ especially powerful for the determination of the σ -term
Koch (1982)
- ↪ $s \leftrightarrow u$ crossing is explicit
- ↪ absorptive parts are only needed in regions where
the corresponding partial expansions converge
- ↪ judicious choice of a allows to increase the range of convergence

Results for the σ -term

- Basic formula: $\sigma_{\pi N} = F_{\pi}^2(d_{00}^+ + 2M_{\pi}^2 d_{01}^+) + \Delta_D - \Delta_{\sigma} - \Delta_R$

- Subthreshold parameters output of the RS equations:

$$d_{00}^+ = -1.36(3)M_{\pi}^{-1} \quad [\text{KH: } -1.46(10)M_{\pi}^{-1}]$$

$$d_{01}^+ = 1.16(3)M_{\pi}^{-3} \quad [\text{KH: } 1.14(2)M_{\pi}^{-3}]$$

- $\Delta_D - \Delta_{\sigma} = (1.8 \pm 0.2) \text{ MeV}$ Hoferichter, Ditsche, Kubis, UGM (2012)

- $\Delta_R \lesssim 2 \text{ MeV}$ Bernard, Kaiser, UGM (1996)

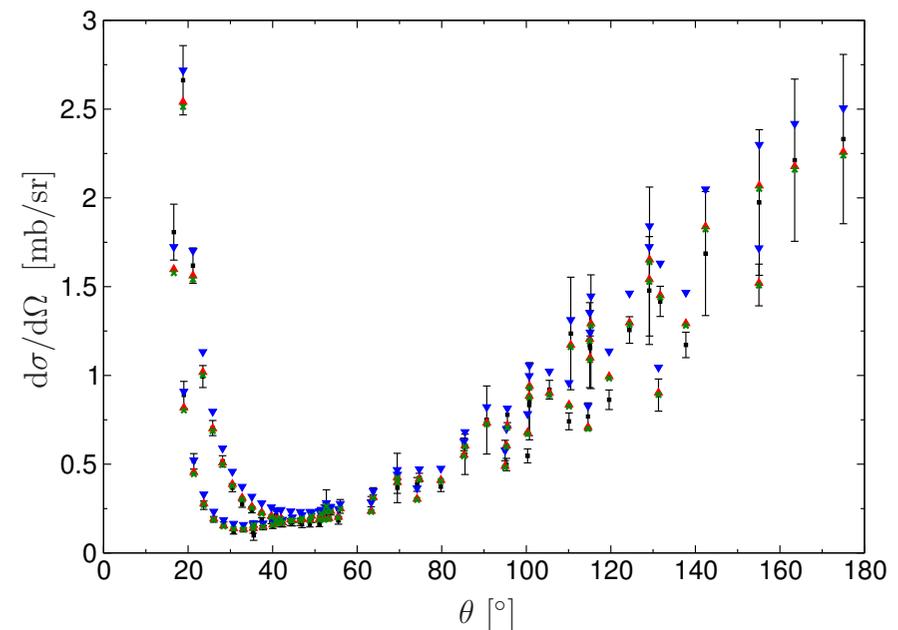
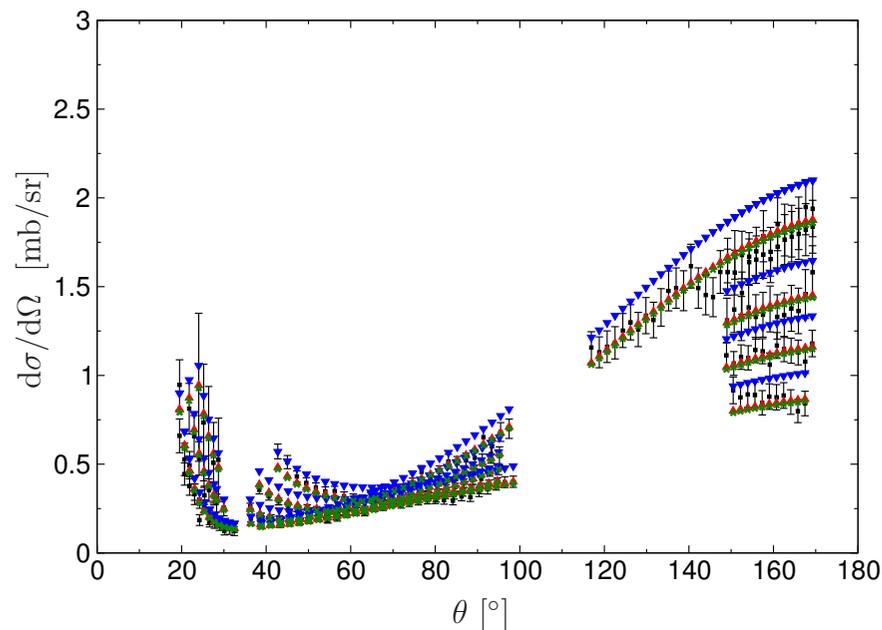
- Isospin breaking in the CD theorem shifts $\sigma_{\pi N}$ by $+3.0 \text{ MeV}$

\Rightarrow $\sigma_{\pi N} = (59.1 \pm 1.9_{\text{RS}} \pm 3.0_{\text{LET}}) \text{ MeV} = (59.1 \pm 3.5) \text{ MeV}$

[NB: recover $\sigma_{\pi N} = 45 \text{ MeV}$ if KH80 scattering lengths are used]

Sanity check – no hadronic atom input

- Fit to the pion-nucleon data base (GWU), electromagnetic corrections to the data à la Tromberg et al and treat normalizations of the data as fit parameters
- Fit to low-energy data based on the RS representation that are dominated from the scattering lengths (up to $T_{\pi}^{\max} = 33 - 55$ MeV)



black: data with readjusted norm

red triangles: RS solution with hadronic atom input

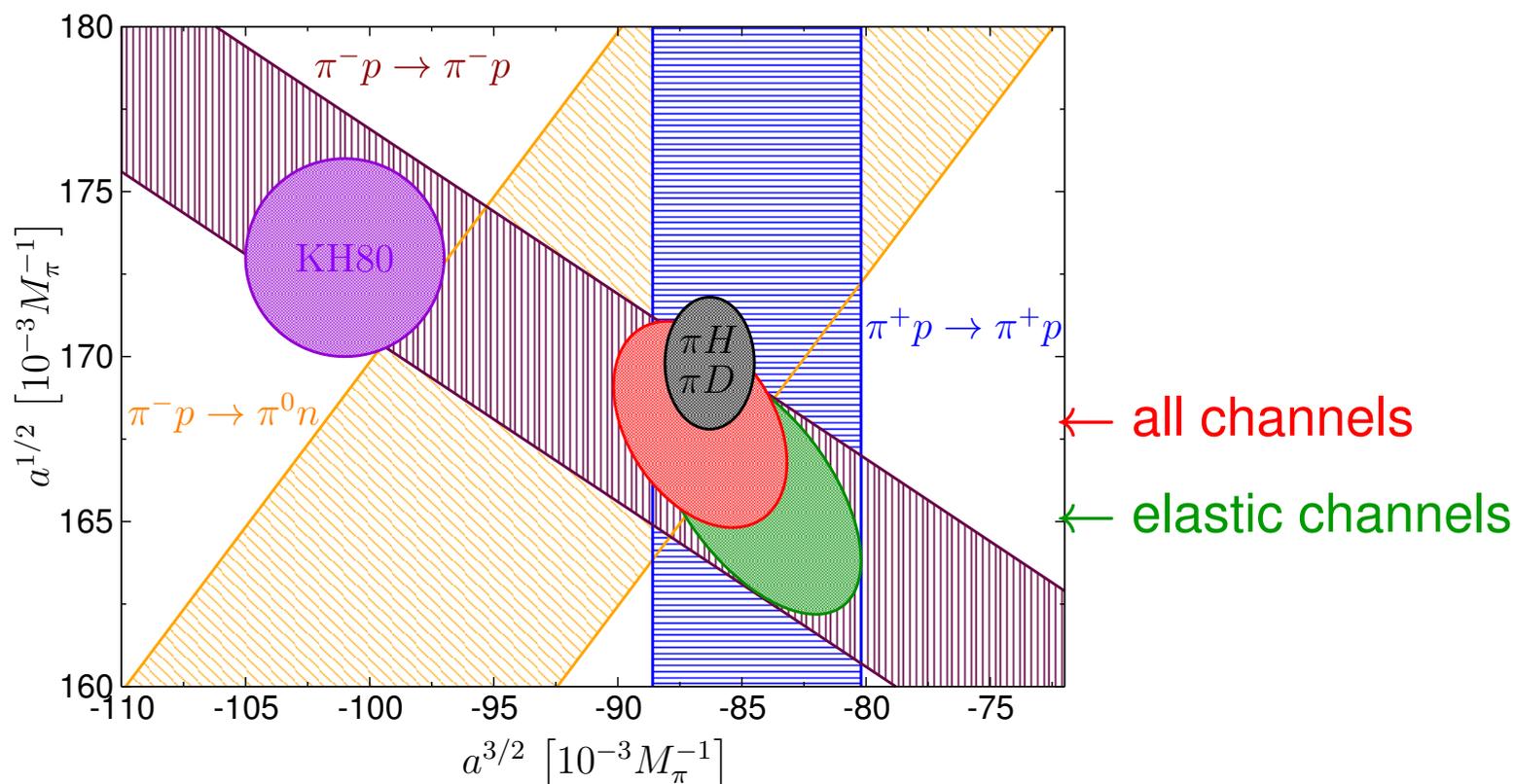
green triangles: new RS solution

blue triangles: KH80

Sanity check – no hadronic atom input cont'd

- Scattering lengths in $[10^{-3}/M_\pi]$ and σ -term:

$$a^{1/2} = -86.7(3.5), \quad a^{3/2} = 167.9(3.2), \quad \sigma_{\pi N} = 58(5) \text{ MeV}$$



- consistent picture!

[details in Ruiz De Elvira, Hoferichter, Kubis, UGM, J. Phys. G **45** (2018) 024001]

Results for the proton mass

- Precise determination of the pion-nucleon σ -term:

$$\sigma_{\pi N} = (59.1 \pm 3.5) \text{ MeV}$$

- Consistency check w/o pionic atom data:

$$\sigma_{\pi N} = (58 \pm 5) \text{ MeV}$$

- Not consistent w/ lattice determinations (presumably excited state contaminations)

Gupta et al. (2021)

- Strange σ -term: $\sigma_s = \langle N | m_s \bar{s} s | N \rangle$ (more safe in LQCD)

↪ FLAG average: $\underbrace{\sigma_s = 52.9(7.0) \text{ MeV}}_{N_f=2+1}$ or $\underbrace{\sigma_s = 41.0(8.4) \text{ MeV}}_{N_f=2+1+1}$

**Consequences for the proton mass:
About 100 MeV from the Higgs, the rest is gluon field energy**

Large- N_C QCD
and the mass of the η'

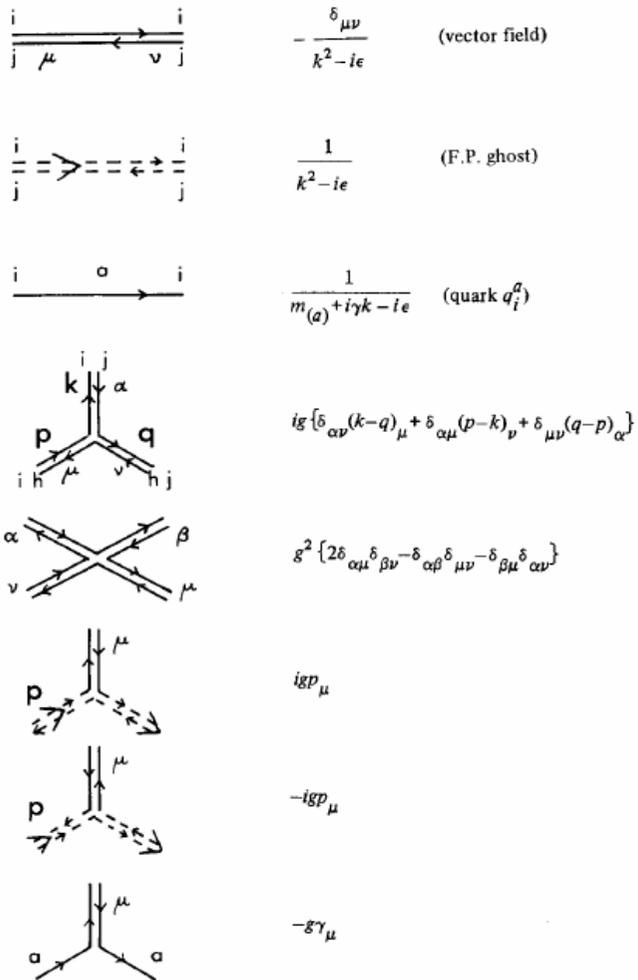
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- QCD is difficult to solve, often only numerical approaches allow *ab initio* calc's
- There is no small parameter except for very high-energy processes $\alpha_S \rightarrow 0$ (still confinement)
- Idea: Consider the limit $N_C \rightarrow \infty$ with $g^2 N_C = \text{constant}$
 - This gives a smooth limit as $N_C \rightarrow \infty$
- To leading order in $1/N_C$, only planar diagrams contribute
 - Mesons are stable with masses $\mathcal{O}(N_C^0)$ and widths $\mathcal{O}(1/N_C)$
 - Meson interactions are weak, of order $\mathcal{O}(N_C^0)$
 - The OZI rule is exact in this limit

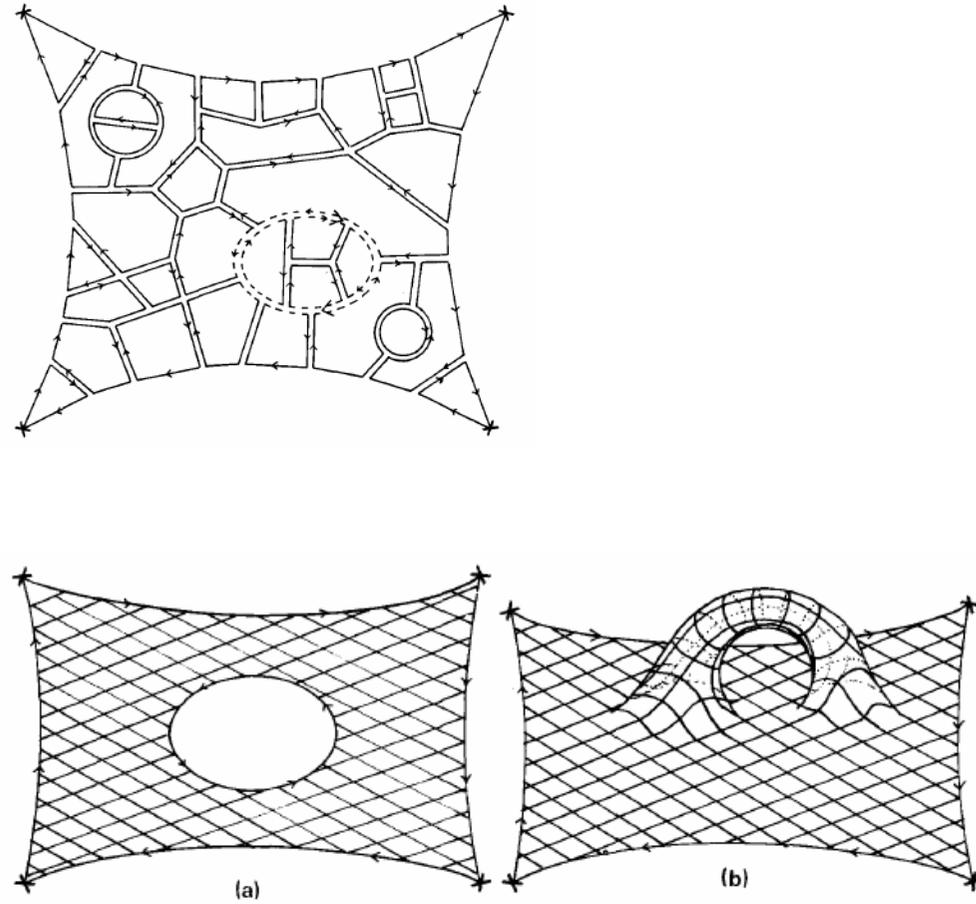
A few details on large- N_C

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- Double line notation



- Planar diagrams dominate



suppressed by $1/N_C$ by $1/N_C^2$

A sample calculation

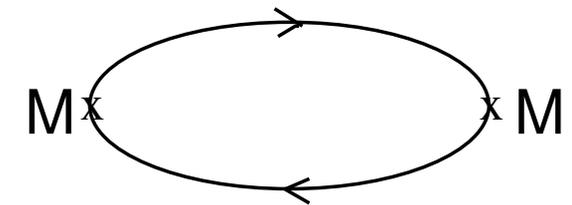
- Color singlet contribution from a $Q\bar{Q}$ pair

$$|Q^\alpha \bar{Q}^\beta\rangle_{\text{color singlet}} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_C}} b_i^\alpha d_i^{\beta \dagger} |0\rangle$$

$\alpha, \beta = \text{flavor labels}$

$i = 1, \dots, N_C = \text{color label}$

$1/\sqrt{N_C} = \text{w.f. must be normalized to one}$



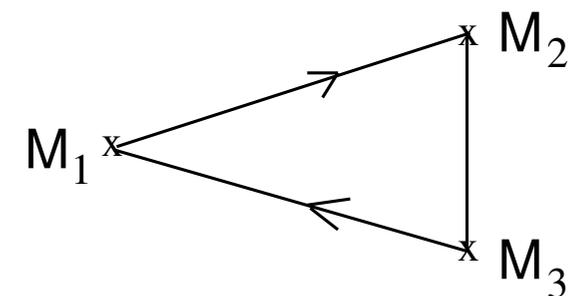
$$\Rightarrow \text{Propagator} = \text{quark loop} \times \text{w.f. normalizations} = N_C \left(N_C^{-1/2}\right)^2 = \mathcal{O}(1)$$

- Meson decay widths:

3 meson w.f. normalizations \times one quark loop

$$= \left(N_C^{-1/2}\right)^3 N_C = N_C^{-1/2}$$

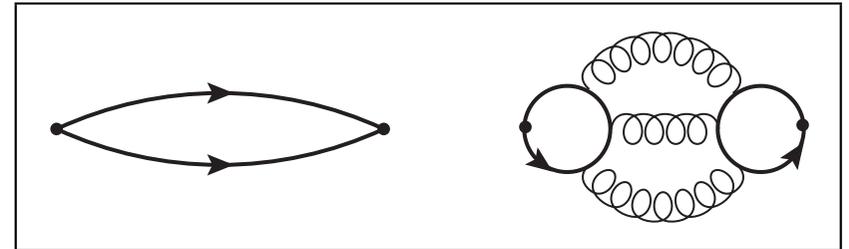
$$\Rightarrow \text{Meson become stable, i.e. } \Gamma/M \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } N_C \rightarrow \infty$$



Spontaneous symmetry breaking in large- N_C

- Now we have $U(3)_L \times U(3)_R \rightarrow U(3)_V$
 - ↪ There is a ninth Goldstone boson, the η'
- However, at finite N_C , the residual $U(1)_A$ symmetry is anomalous
- Two-point function of the isosinglet axial current:
 - ↪ disconnected diagrams vanish as $N_C \rightarrow \infty$
 - ↪ related to the vacuum structure

→ Andreas' lecture



- Explicit calculations give the Witten-Veneziano formula:

Witten (1979), Veneziano (1979)

$$M_{\eta'}^2 = \frac{2N_f}{F_\pi^2} \chi_{\text{top}} = \frac{\text{const.}}{N_c}$$

- ↪ in terms of the topological susceptibility of the QCD vacuum
- ↪ obviously $M_{\eta'}^2 \rightarrow 0$ when $N_C \rightarrow \infty$

Heavy quark symmetries

Heavy quark Lagrangian

Caswell, Lepage, Voloshin, Shifman, Isgur, Wise, Neubert, Mannel, ...

- The heavy quark Lagrangian at leading order takes the form:

$$\boxed{\mathcal{L}_{\text{LO}} = \bar{Q} (i v \cdot D) Q + \mathcal{O}(1/m_Q)}, \quad Q = \begin{pmatrix} c \\ b \end{pmatrix}, \quad D_\mu = \partial_\mu - ig G_\mu^a T^a$$

↪ SU(2) flavor symmetry: $Q \mapsto Q' = UQ$, $U \in SU(2)$

↪ SU(2) spin symmetry: $S_Q^3 |P\rangle = -\frac{1}{2} |V\rangle$, $S_Q^3 |V\rangle = -\frac{1}{2} |P\rangle$

- HQ symmetry breaking $\sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}/m_Q$ [better for b quarks]

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{NLO}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2m_Q} \bar{Q} (iD_\perp)^2 Q}_{\text{breaks SU(2) flavor}} \underbrace{- c_F \frac{g}{4m_Q} \bar{Q} \sigma_{\alpha\beta} G^{\alpha\beta} Q}_{\text{breaks SU(2) spin \& flavor}} \quad \begin{aligned} D_\perp^\mu &= D^\mu - v^\mu v \cdot D \\ [D^\mu, D^\nu] &= g G^{\mu\nu} \end{aligned}$$

- non-relativistic kinetic energy and chromo-magnetic term
- must be “dressed” to form physical states: $Q\bar{q}$, Qqq , etc.

Heavy quark effective Lagrangian

- consider the quark field as a static, heavy source \rightarrow four-velocity v_μ :

Georgi (1990)

$$p_\mu = m_Q v_\mu + \ell_\mu$$

with $v^2 = 1, \quad p^2 = m_Q^2, \quad v \cdot \ell \ll m_Q$

- velocity-projection: $\Psi(x) = \exp(-im_Q v \cdot x) [Q(x) + \mathcal{Q}(x)]$

with $\not{v}Q = Q, \quad \not{v}\mathcal{Q} = -\mathcal{Q} \quad \text{[“large/small” components]}$

- Q - and \mathcal{Q} -components decouple, separated by large mass gap $2m_Q$:

$$\mathcal{L}_Q^{(1)} = \bar{\Psi} \left(i\not{D} - m_Q + \dots \right) \Psi$$

$$\rightarrow \mathcal{L}_Q^{(1)} = \bar{Q} (iv \cdot D + \dots) Q + \mathcal{O} \left(\frac{1}{m_Q} \right)$$

Heavy hadron masses

- Hadron mass in HQET is $m_H - m_Q$
- Leading order: all heavy hadrons containing Q have the same mass

$$\frac{1}{2} \langle H^{(Q)} | \mathcal{H}_Q | H^{(Q)} \rangle \equiv \bar{\Lambda}$$

↪ $\bar{\Lambda}$ for B, B^*, D, D^* , $\bar{\Lambda}_\Lambda$ for Λ_b, Λ_c , $\bar{\Lambda}_\Sigma$ for $\Sigma_b, \Sigma_b^*, \Sigma_c, \Sigma_c^*$ states

↪ in case of SU(3) breaking: $\bar{\Lambda}_{u,d}$ and $\bar{\Lambda}_s$

- Next-to-leading order: two non-perturbative constants

$$\langle H^{(Q)} | \bar{Q} D_\perp^2 Q | H^{(Q)} \rangle = -2\lambda_1$$

$$\langle H^{(Q)} | \bar{Q} a(\mu) g \sigma_{\alpha\beta} G^{\alpha\beta} Q | H^{(Q)} \rangle = 16(\vec{S}_Q \cdot \vec{S}_\ell) \lambda_2(m_Q)$$

↪ note renormalization of the chromo-magnetic operator

↪ $\lambda_{1,2}$ are the same for all states in a spin-flavor multiplet

Heavy hadron masses continued

- after a bit of algebra:

$$m_B = m_b + \bar{\Lambda} - \frac{\lambda_1}{2m_b} - \frac{3\lambda_2(m_b)}{2m_b},$$

$$m_D = m_c + \bar{\Lambda} - \frac{\lambda_1}{2m_c} - \frac{3\lambda_2(m_c)}{2m_c}$$

$$m_{B^*} = m_b + \bar{\Lambda} - \frac{\lambda_1}{2m_b} + \frac{\lambda_2(m_b)}{2m_b},$$

$$m_{D^*} = m_c + \bar{\Lambda} - \frac{\lambda_1}{2m_c} + \frac{\lambda_2(m_c)}{2m_c}$$

$$m_{\Lambda_b} = m_b + \bar{\Lambda}_\Lambda - \frac{\lambda_{\Lambda,1}}{2m_b},$$

$$m_{\Lambda_c} = m_c + \bar{\Lambda}_\Lambda - \frac{\lambda_{\Lambda,1}}{2m_c}$$

$$m_{\Sigma_b} = m_b + \bar{\Lambda}_\Sigma - \frac{\lambda_{\Sigma,1}}{2m_b} - \frac{2\lambda_{\Sigma,2}(m_b)}{2m_b},$$

$$m_{\Sigma_c} = m_c + \bar{\Lambda}_\Sigma - \frac{\lambda_{\Sigma,1}}{2m_c} - \frac{2\lambda_{\Sigma,2}(m_c)}{2m_c}$$

$$m_{\Sigma_b^*} = m_b + \bar{\Lambda}_\Sigma - \frac{\lambda_{\Sigma,1}}{2m_b} + \frac{\lambda_{\Sigma,2}(m_b)}{2m_b},$$

$$m_{\Sigma_c^*} = m_c + \bar{\Lambda}_\Sigma - \frac{\lambda_{\Sigma,1}}{2m_c} + \frac{\lambda_{\Sigma,2}(m_c)}{2m_c}$$

- so that (ignore m_Q dependence of λ_2):

$$0.49 \text{ GeV}^2 \simeq m_{B^*}^2 - m_B^2 \simeq 4\lambda_2 \simeq m_{D^*}^2 - m_D^2 \simeq 0.55 \text{ GeV}^2$$

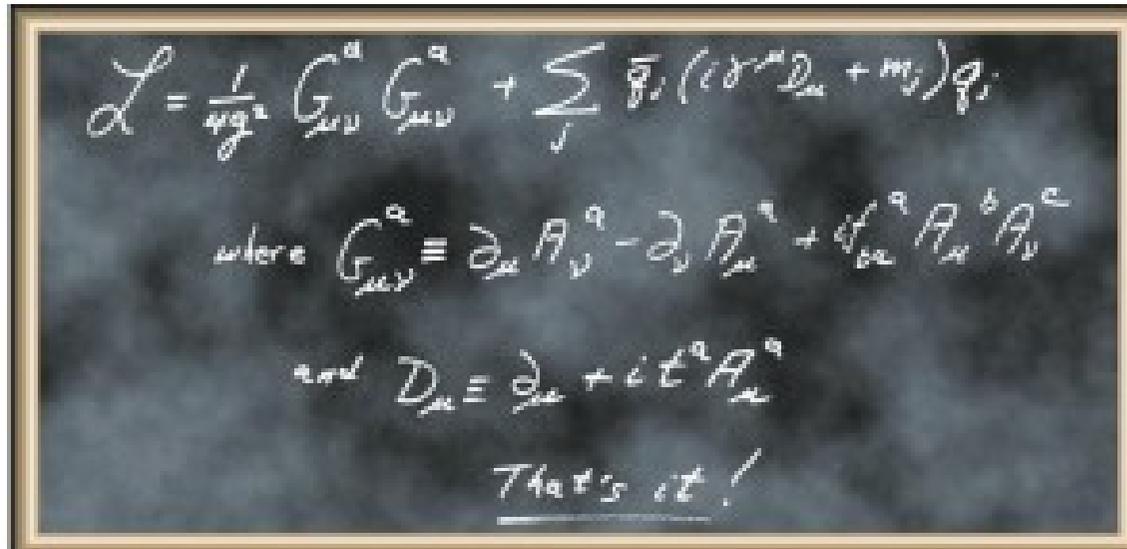
$$(90 \pm 3) \text{ GeV} = m_{B_s} - m_{B_d} = \bar{\Lambda}_s - \bar{\Lambda}_{u,d} = m_{D_s} - m_{D_d} = (99 \pm 1) \text{ GeV}$$

$$(345 \pm 9) \text{ GeV} = m_{\Lambda_b} - m_B = \bar{\Lambda}_\Lambda - \bar{\Lambda}_{u,d} = m_{\Lambda_c} - m_D = (416 \pm 1) \text{ GeV}$$

Summary

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- QCD is a remarkably easy to write down theory



The image shows a chalkboard with the following handwritten text:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{4g^2} G_{\mu\nu}^a G_{\mu\nu}^a + \sum_f \bar{q}_f (i \not{\partial} + m_f) q_f$$

where $G_{\mu\nu}^a \equiv \partial_\mu A_\nu^a - \partial_\nu A_\mu^a + ig_s^a A_\mu^b A_\nu^c$

and $D_\mu \equiv \partial_\mu + i t^a A_\mu^a$

That's it!

@ Frank Wilczek

- ... but has this rich cornucopia of symmetries and their realizations with many fascinating physical consequences & phenomena
- ... and this is not even all! → **Andreas' lectures**

SPARES

Pion-nucleon scattering

- *s*-channel: $\pi(q) + N(p) \rightarrow \pi(q') + N(p')$
- *t*-channel: $\pi(q) + \pi(-q') \rightarrow \bar{N}(-p) + N(p')$

- Mandelstam variables:

$$s = (p + q)^2, t = (p - p')^2, u = (p - q')^2$$

$$s + t + u = 2m_N^2 + 2M_\pi^2, s = W^2$$

- Isospin structure:

$$T^{ba}(s, t) = \delta^{ba} T^+(s, t) + i\epsilon_{abc} \tau^c T^-(s, t)$$

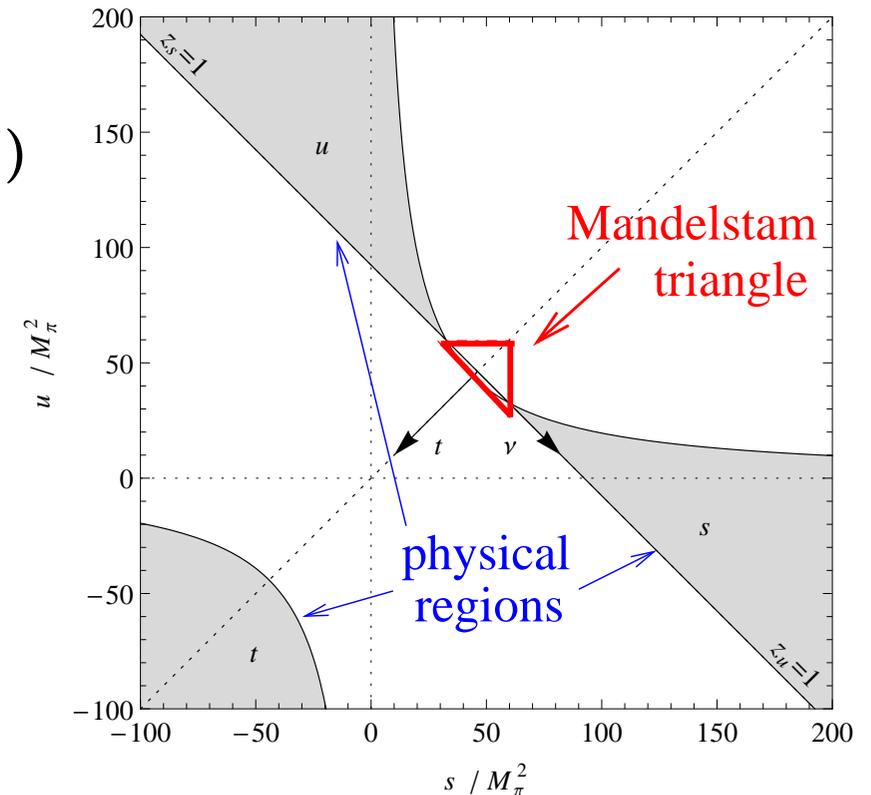
- Lorentz structure:

$$8\pi\sqrt{s}T^I(s, t) = \bar{u}(p') \left\{ A^I(s, t) + \frac{1}{2}(\not{q} + \not{q}')B^I(s, t) \right\} u(p), \quad I = +, -$$

$$I = 1/2, 3/2$$

- Crossing:

$$A^\pm(\nu, t) = \pm A^\pm(-\nu, t), \quad B^\pm(\nu, t) = \mp B^\pm(-\nu, t), \quad \nu = \frac{s - u}{4m_N}$$



- Partial wave projection:

$$X_{\ell}^I(s) = \int_{-1}^{+1} dz_s P_{\ell}(z_s) X^I(s, t) \Big|_{t=-2q^2(1-z_s)}, \quad X \in \{A, B\}$$

⇒ partial wave expansion (total isospin I , ang. mom. ℓ , $j = \ell \pm 1/2$):

$$f_{\ell\pm}^I(W) = \frac{1}{16\pi W} \times \left\{ (E + m) [A_{\ell}^I(s) + (W - m)B_{\ell}^I(s)] + (E - m) [-A_{\ell\pm 1}^I(s) + (W + m)B_{\ell\pm 1}^I(s)] \right\}$$

- MacDowell symmetry: $f_{\ell+}^I(W) = -f_{(\ell+1)-}^I(-W) \quad \forall l \geq 0$ MacDowell (1959)

- Low-energy region: only S- and P-waves are relevant

$$\boxed{f_{0+}^{\pm}, f_{1+}^{\pm}, f_{1-}^{\pm}}$$

⇒ low-energy amplitude can eventually be matched to chiral perturbation theory

Subthreshold expansion

- For the σ -term extraction, the πN amplitude $D = A + \nu B$ is most useful:

$$\bar{D}^+(\nu, t) = D^+(\nu, t) - \frac{g_{\pi N}^2}{m_N} - \nu g_{\pi N}^2 \left(\frac{1}{m_N^2 - s} - \frac{1}{m_N^2 - u} \right)$$

★ subtraction of pseudovector Born terms $\rightarrow \bar{D}$

- Subthreshold expansion: expand around $\nu = t = 0$:

$$\boxed{X(\nu, t) = \sum_{m,n} x_{mn} \nu^{2m} t^n}, \quad X \in \left\{ \bar{A}^+, \frac{\bar{A}^-}{\nu}, \frac{\bar{B}^+}{\nu}, \bar{B}^-, \bar{D}^+, \frac{\bar{D}^-}{\nu} \right\}$$

★ $\boxed{x_{mn}}$ are the **subthreshold parameters** \rightarrow can be calculated via sum rules

★ inside the Mandelstam triangle, scattering amplitudes are real polynomials

