

Hadrons Fall2023

HW4 due 30/01/2024

(+2 points for handing in on time)

Q1 SU(2) Transformation for Composite Operators.

- a) Given the vector (V) and axial vector (AV) transformations

$$q \rightarrow e^{-i\alpha_V^a \tau^a} q$$
$$q \rightarrow e^{-i\gamma_5 \alpha_{AV}^a \tau^a} q,$$

work out (to leading order in α 's) the transformations of the operators

$$p1 = \bar{q}(x)q(x)$$

and

$$p2 = 2i\bar{q}(x)\gamma_5\tau^a q(x)$$

under V and AV.

- b) Construct the transformation rules for σ and π^a fields such that

$$\bar{q}(x)(\sigma - 2i\pi^a\gamma_5\tau^a)q(x)$$

is invariant under V and AV.

Q2 Model of Resonances.

A simple model of the scattering matrix S for a resonance exchange is given by

$$S = e^{2i\delta} = 1 + 2iqf(s)$$
$$f(s) = \frac{K(s)}{s - m_{\text{bare}}^2 - \Sigma(s)}.$$

where $\delta(s)$ is the scattering phase shift, f is the scattering amplitude of a resonance exchange. The proportionality constant K is irrelevant but can be worked out:

$$K = \frac{2\text{Im}\Sigma}{2q(s)}$$

where $q(s)$ is the COM momentum.

- a) Prove the identity:

$$e^{2i\delta} = 1 + 2i\sin(\delta)e^{i\delta}$$

- b) Write down an expression of the phase shift in terms of $\Sigma(s)$.
- c) The self energy of a P-wave resonance, after a (rather tedious) QFT calculation (with some additional manipulations), gives

$$\Sigma_R(s) = -\frac{g^2}{8\pi^2} \int_0^1 dx \Delta \ln \Delta$$

$$\Delta = xm_1^2 + (1-x)m_2^2 - x(1-x)s - i\delta.$$

Show that the imaginary part reads

$$\text{Im}\Sigma_R = -\frac{4}{3} \times \left(\frac{1}{2} g^2 \frac{q^3}{4\pi\sqrt{s}} \theta(\sqrt{s} - m_1 - m_2) \right).$$

(Compare with Q2 in HW2, a $q(s)^2$ factor naturally emerges!)

- d) Adjust the two parameters: m_{bare} and g^2 such that the model qualitatively describes the $\Delta(1232)$ resonance. Plot the result against \sqrt{s} .

Q3 Zeta Functions

- a) The Riemann Zeta function is defined as

$$\zeta_{\hat{R}}(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^s}.$$

Show that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{ds} \zeta_{\hat{R}}(s)|_{s \rightarrow 0} &= - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \ln n \\ &= -\text{tr} \ln \hat{R}, \end{aligned}$$

where \hat{R} is an operator with eigenvalues $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

This allows a generalization of the definition of Zeta function for an arbitrary operator \hat{O} (with eigenvalues λ_n) via

$$\zeta_{\hat{O}}(s) = \sum_{\lambda_n} \frac{1}{\lambda_n^s}$$

and

$$\zeta'_{\hat{O}}(0) = -\ln \det \hat{O}.$$

- b) Consider (again! HW03 Q3) the integral

$$\mathcal{I} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dp_4}{2\pi} \ln(p_4^2 + \omega^2) = \text{Div.} + \omega.$$

Use the Riemann summation to show that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I} &= \Delta p \times \ln \det \hat{D} \\ &= -\Delta p \times \zeta'_{\hat{D}}(0). \end{aligned}$$

where the operator \hat{D} has eigenvalues

$$(2\pi n \Delta p)^2 + \omega^2$$

with n being integers

$$n = -\infty, \dots, \infty.$$

- c) Show that

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_{\hat{D}}(s) &= \frac{1}{\omega^{2s}} + 2 \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{[(2\pi m \Delta p)^2 + \omega^2]^s} \\ &= \frac{1}{\omega^{2s}} + 2 \zeta_{\hat{A}}(s). \end{aligned}$$

where the operator \hat{A} has eigenvalues

$$(2\pi n \Delta p)^2 + \omega^2$$

with n being integers

$$n = 1, 2, \dots, \infty.$$

- d) Derive the following expression:

$$\ln \det \hat{A} = \zeta_{\hat{R}}(0) \ln[4\pi^2(\Delta p)^2] - 2 \zeta'_{\hat{R}}(0) + \ln \frac{\sinh(\frac{\omega}{2\Delta p})}{\frac{\omega}{2\Delta p}}.$$

- e) Using the fact that

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_{\hat{R}}(0) &= -\frac{1}{2} \\ \zeta'_{\hat{R}}(0) &= -\frac{1}{2} \ln(2\pi), \end{aligned}$$

verify (finally!) that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I} &= -\Delta p \times \zeta'_D(0) \\ &= \omega. \end{aligned}$$

Note that the divergent part derived previously disappears!

Q4 A simple model of SCSB.

Consider a 4-fermion interaction model

$$Z = \int D\psi D\bar{\psi} e^{\int \bar{\psi}(i\gamma \cdot \partial - m)\psi + G(\bar{\psi}\psi)^2}.$$

Note that the integral is over an Euclidean space time.

- a) Prove the relation

$$e^{\int \frac{g^2}{2m_G^2} (\bar{\psi}\psi)^2} \propto \int D\sigma e^{\int (-g\sigma\bar{\psi}\psi - \frac{1}{2}m_G^2\sigma^2)}$$

and with this rewrite the 4-fermion interaction model as

$$Z \rightarrow \int D\sigma e^{\ln Z_F(M_F=m+g\sigma) - \int \frac{1}{2}m_G^2\sigma^2}.$$

where $Z_F(M_F)$ is the partition function for free fermions

$$\begin{aligned} \ln Z_F(M_F) &= \text{tr} \ln (i\gamma \cdot \partial - M_F) \\ &= V_4 \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} 2\sqrt{k^2 + M_F^2} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

where $V_4 = \beta V$ is the Euclidean 4-volume. Identify G in terms of g and m_G . Notice the similarity with Fermi coupling constant for weak interaction.

- b) Suppose the functional integral over σ is dominated by a certain $\bar{\sigma}$, such that

$$Z = \int D\sigma e^{\ln Z_F(M_F=m+g\sigma) - \int \frac{1}{2}m_G^2\sigma^2} \approx e^{-V_4\Gamma(\bar{\sigma})}.$$

Derive a condition for $\Gamma(\bar{\sigma})$ based on the steepest descent. This is called the gap equation.

- c) Solve the gap equation numerically. (You may set $g = 1$.) Plot σ/Λ versus G for $m = 0$ and $m \neq 0$. Derive an analytic expression for the critical coupling for the former case. What is the order of the phase transition?

- d) Find an explicit expression of the condensate via

$$\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle = -\frac{\partial}{\partial m} \frac{\ln Z}{V_4}$$

Verify that the condensate is negative. In the model, one can compute it via

$$\begin{aligned} n_S = \langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle &= \frac{\partial}{\partial m} \Gamma(\langle \sigma \rangle, m) \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial m} \Gamma(\langle \sigma \rangle, m) + \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma} \Gamma(\sigma, m) \frac{\partial \sigma}{\partial m} \right) \Big|_{\sigma=\langle \sigma \rangle}. \end{aligned}$$

Explain why the second term will **not** contribute and relate the condensate to σ . (This is model dependent!)