

< QCD vacuum structure, Strong CP problem & Axion >

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"vector-like"

QCD at low energy

→ $\bar{\psi}\psi$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = -\frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a\mu\nu} + \bar{\psi}_L \not{D} \psi_L + \bar{\psi}_R \not{D} \psi_R$$

$$+ \bar{\psi}_L M \psi_R + \bar{\psi}_R M^\dagger \psi_L \rightarrow \bar{\psi} M \psi$$

$$M = \text{Diag.} [m_u, m_d, m_s, m_c, m_b, m_t]$$

$$2\text{MeV} \quad 4.7 \quad 93 \quad 1.3\text{GeV} \quad 4.2 \quad 173.$$

Below $\Lambda_h \sim 1\text{GeV} \gg m_{u,d,s}$, $\alpha_s = \frac{g_s^2}{4\pi} \gtrsim 1$.

quarks and gluons are confined to form
color-neutral hadrons.

mesons & baryons

In the limit of $m_{u,d,s} \rightarrow 0$, QCD has a chiral symmetry $U(3)_L \times U(3)_R$

$$\delta_{L,R} \rightarrow e^{i T^a \alpha_A^{L,R}} \delta_{L,R}, \quad a=0, 1, \dots, 8$$

\uparrow
 $\mathbb{1}$ $SU(3)$

equivalently $U(3)_V \times U(3)_A$

$$\delta \rightarrow e^{i T^a \alpha_a^V} \delta \quad \alpha_a^V = \alpha_a^L = \alpha_a^R$$

$$\delta \rightarrow e^{i \gamma_5 T^a \alpha_a^A} \delta \quad \alpha_a^A = \alpha_a^L = -\alpha_a^R$$

The chiral symmetry $U(3)_A$ is broken spontaneously by quark condensate

$$\langle \bar{u}u \rangle = \langle \bar{d}d \rangle = \langle \bar{s}s \rangle \neq 0$$

(explicitly by $m_{u,d,s} \neq 0$)

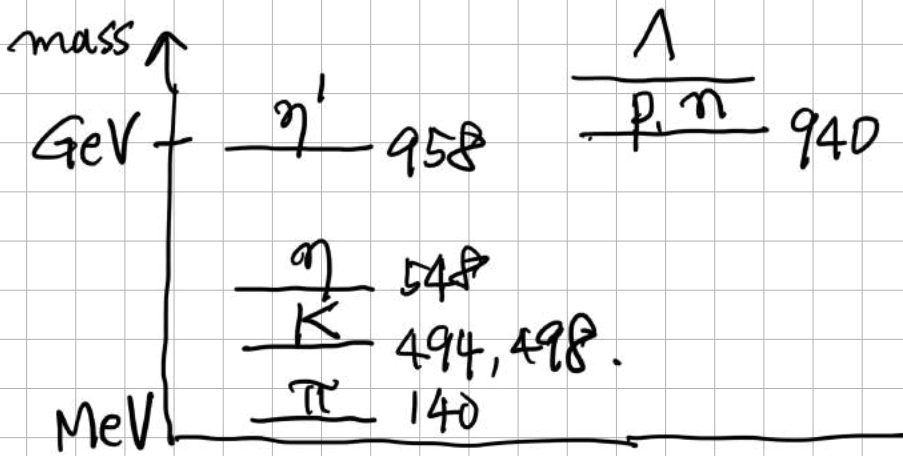
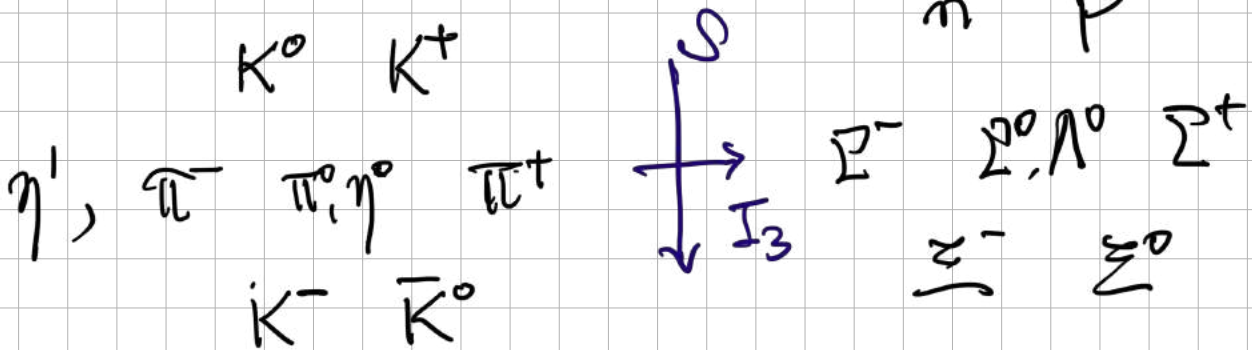
$$U(3)_A = SU(3)_A \times U(1)_A \quad \text{Goldstone bosons}$$

\uparrow \uparrow \parallel
 octet η' mesons

$$U(3)_V = SU(3)_V \times U(1)_V \text{ "good" symmetry}$$

\uparrow Isospin
 \oplus Strangeness
 meson octet

\uparrow Baryon number
 baryon octet



"Why $m_{\eta'} \gg m_{\pi, K, \eta}$?"

$\approx 1 \text{ GeV}$

Weinberg

Effective field theory of QCD

chiral structure $SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R$

Goldstone bosons

$$\phi = \sqrt{2} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\eta^0}{\sqrt{6}} & \pi^+ & K^+ \\ \pi^- & -\frac{\pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\eta^0}{\sqrt{6}} & K^0 \\ K^- & \bar{K}^0 & -\frac{2\eta^0}{\sqrt{6}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Sigma = e^{i\frac{\phi}{F}}$$

Invariants

$$\Sigma \rightarrow L \Sigma R^\dagger$$

$$\text{Tr}(\partial_\mu \Sigma \partial^\mu \Sigma^\dagger)$$

quark masses in perturbation

$$M \rightarrow L M R^\dagger$$

$$\begin{matrix} \delta_L \\ \delta_R \end{matrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} L \delta_L \\ R \delta_R \end{matrix}$$

$$\bar{\delta}_L M \delta_R + \bar{\delta}_R M^\dagger \delta_L$$

$$\text{Tr}(M \Sigma^\dagger + \Sigma M^\dagger)$$

Model Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{F^2}{4} \left[\text{Tr}(\partial_\mu \Sigma \partial^\mu \Sigma^\dagger) + 2B \text{Tr}(M \Sigma^\dagger + \Sigma M^\dagger) \right]$$

↓

$$\partial_\mu \pi^+ \partial_\mu \pi^- + \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \pi^0 \partial_\mu \pi^0 + \dots$$

Mass relations: $\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$

Gellman-Okubo

$$(i) \quad m_{\pi}^2 = B(m_u + m_d)$$

$$m_{K^{\pm}}^2 = B(m_u + m_s)$$

$$m_{K^0}^2 = B(m_d + m_s)$$

$$m_{\eta}^2 = \frac{B}{3}(m_u + m_d + m_s)$$

$$2m_{K^{\pm}}^2 + 2m_{K^0}^2$$

$$= 3m_{\eta}^2 + m_{\pi}^2$$

(Check!)

$$(ii) \quad \frac{m_u}{m_d} = \frac{m_{K^+}^2 - m_{K^0}^2 + m_{\pi}^2}{m_{K^0}^2 - m_{K^+}^2 + m_{\pi}^2}$$

$$\frac{m_s}{m_d} = \frac{m_{K^0}^2 + m_{K^+}^2 - m_{\pi}^2}{m_{K^0}^2 - m_{K^+}^2 + m_{\pi}^2}$$

(iii) Isospin breaking by e.m.

$$Q = e \operatorname{diag}\left(\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{1}{3}\right)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{em} = C \operatorname{Tr}[Q \Sigma Q \Sigma^{\dagger}]$$

$$\begin{cases} m_{\pi^{\pm}}^2 = B(m_u + m_d) + \frac{2Ce^2}{F^2} \\ m_{K^{\pm}}^2 = B(m_u + m_s) + \quad \quad \quad \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Dashen formula: } m_{\pi^{\pm}}^2 - m_{\pi^0}^2 = m_{K^{\pm}}^2 - m_{K^0}^2$$

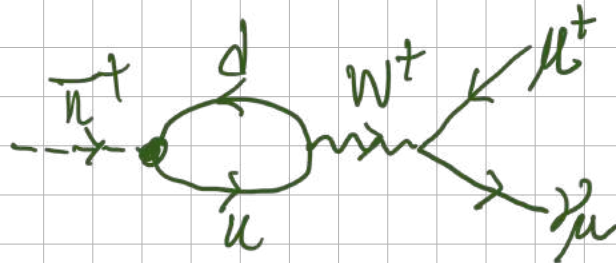
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• π decay constant : $F \approx f_\pi$

$$\langle 0 | j_\mu^a(x) | \pi^b \rangle = i p_\mu \delta^{ab} \frac{f_\pi}{2} e^{-ip \cdot x}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow j_\mu^a(x) = \frac{f_\pi}{2} \partial_\mu \pi^a(x)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_W = \frac{g^2}{\sqrt{2}} W_\mu^- \left(\bar{l}_L \gamma^\mu \nu_L + V_{ud} \underbrace{\bar{d}_L \gamma^\mu u_L}_{\frac{f_\pi}{2} \partial_\mu \pi^+} \right) + \text{h.c.}$$



$$\Gamma_{\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu} = \frac{G_F^2}{4} |V_{ud}|^2 f_\pi^2 m_\pi^2 m_\mu^2 \left(1 - \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_\pi^2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow f_\pi = 92.4 \text{ MeV} \quad (f_K = 1.22 f_\pi)$$

• Quark condensation scale Λ_{QCD} .

$$\langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle = \langle \bar{u} u \rangle = \langle \bar{d} d \rangle = \langle \bar{s} s \rangle = \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^3$$

flavor-blind QCD

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}} \Rightarrow m_q \langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle \leftrightarrow \frac{F^2}{4} 4B m_q$$

$$\therefore \langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle = F^2 B = f_\pi^2 \frac{m_\pi^2}{m_u + m_d} = \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^3$$

Note 1) $\Lambda_{QCD} = \left(f_\pi^2 \frac{m_\pi^2}{m_u + m_d} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \approx 280 \text{ MeV}$

2) $\Lambda_h \approx 4\pi f_\pi \approx 1.2 \text{ GeV}$

LIV cutoff of the effective theory

$$\frac{E_{\text{max}}^2}{(4\pi)^2 f_\pi^2} \lesssim 1, \quad E_{\text{max}} = \Lambda_h$$

3) $m_{\eta'} \sim \Lambda_h \gg m_{\pi, K, \eta}$

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Scale of SSB by $\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle$

* η' is not a GB;

remains massive even in the chiral limit $m_{u,d,s} \rightarrow 0$.

• π -N-N coupling

$$\mathcal{L}_{\pi NN} = -g \frac{\partial \pi^a}{\partial x^\mu} \bar{N} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \frac{\sigma^a}{2} N, \quad N = \begin{pmatrix} p \\ n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$g \approx 1.27$$

$$\approx g_{\pi NN} \pi^a \bar{N} \gamma_5 \frac{\sigma^a}{2} N$$

$$g_{\pi NN} \approx g \frac{m_N}{f_\pi} \approx 13.2$$

U(1)_A Problem

"Is η' a GB?"

Consider $U(2)_L \times U(2)_R = U(2)_V \times U(2)_A$

$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix}_{L,R} \rightarrow e^{i \sigma^a \alpha_{L,R}^a} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix}_{L,R} \quad a=0,1,2,3$$

$$U(2)_V: \alpha_L^a = \alpha_R^a = \alpha_V^a$$

$$U(2)_A: \alpha_L^a = -\alpha_R^a = \alpha_A^a$$

$U(2)_A$ is broken spontaneously by $\langle \bar{u}u \rangle = \langle \bar{d}d \rangle \neq 0$.

Goldstone Boson matrix

$$\Sigma = e^{i \frac{\phi}{f_\pi}, \quad \phi = \sigma^a \phi_a = \begin{pmatrix} \eta' + \pi^0 & \sqrt{2} \pi^+ \\ \sqrt{2} \pi^- & \eta' - \pi^0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{mass}} = \frac{B f_\pi^2}{2} \text{Tr} (M \Sigma + \Sigma M^\dagger)$$

$$= -B(m_u + m_d) \left[\pi^+ \pi^- + \frac{1}{2} \pi^0 \pi^0 + \frac{1}{2} \eta' \eta' + \frac{m_u - m_d}{m_u + m_d} \pi^0 \eta' \right]$$

Mass relations

$$2 m_{\pi^\pm}^2 = m_{\pi^0}^2 + m_{\eta'}^2 \quad : \quad m_{\eta'} = 958 \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_{\pi^0} \approx 140 \text{ MeV}$$

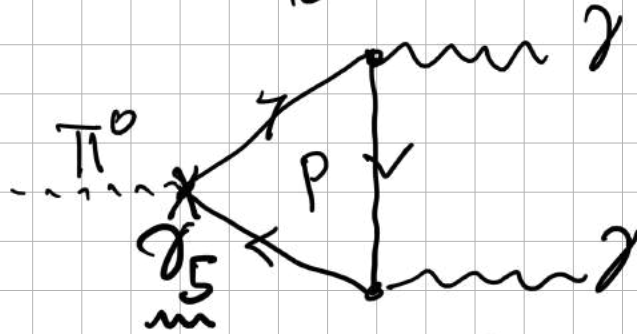
No!?

Chiral Anomaly

ABJ 1969

$$\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\pi NN} = -g_A \frac{\partial_\mu \pi^0}{f_\pi} \bar{N} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 N \quad [\text{Peskin}]$$



$$\Gamma(\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = \underbrace{g_A^2}_{m} \left(\frac{m_N}{4\pi f_\pi} \right)^3 \left(\frac{\alpha}{f_\pi} \right)^2 \quad m_N\text{-indep.}$$

$$(*) \quad P_\mu \langle \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \psi \rangle = -2m \langle \bar{\psi} \gamma_5 \psi \rangle_{\text{div}} + 2M \langle \bar{\psi} \gamma_5 \psi \rangle_{\text{div}}^{M \rightarrow \infty}$$

$$\partial_\mu [\bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \psi]_{\text{Reg}} = 2im \bar{\psi} \gamma_5 \psi + \frac{e^2}{16\pi^2} \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\mu\nu} \bar{F}_{\alpha\beta} \bar{F}_{\mu\nu}$$

$U(1)_A$ is anomalous

$U(1)_A$ transformation $\psi_{L,R} \rightarrow e^{\pm i\alpha_A} \psi_{L,R}$

$$\bar{\psi} \rightarrow e^{i\alpha_A} \bar{\psi}$$

is a chiral symmetry which is anomalous.
not a symmetry at quantum level.

Axial vector current is not conserved.

$$J_5^\mu = \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 \psi \quad \text{No GB}$$

$$\partial_\mu J_5^\mu = 2i m_f \bar{\psi} \gamma_5 \psi + \frac{g_3^2}{32\pi^2} G_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{G}^{a\mu\nu}$$

$$\tilde{G}^{a\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} G_{\alpha\beta}^a$$

$\neq 0$ even in the chiral limit

$$m_f = 0.$$

Note) $G \tilde{G}$ is a total derivative

$$G_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{G}^{a\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu K^\mu,$$

$$K^\mu = \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} A_\nu^a \left(G_{\rho\sigma}^a - \frac{g_3}{3} f^{abc} A_\rho^b A_\sigma^c \right). \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} A_\nu^a = 0 \\ \infty \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\delta S = \alpha_A \int d^4x \partial_\mu J_5^\mu \propto \int d^4x \partial_\mu K^\mu = \int d^4x K^\mu \stackrel{\downarrow}{=} 0?$$

Vacuum structure of QCD

- Nontrivial configuration at the boundary ∞
 $G_{\mu\nu}^a|_{\infty} = 0$ but $A_{\mu}^a|_{\infty} \neq 0$.

Gauge transformation U

$$A_{\mu} = A_{\mu}^a T_a \rightarrow U A_{\mu} U^{-1} + \frac{i}{g} U \partial_{\mu} U^{-1}$$

$$G_{\mu\nu} = G_{\mu\nu}^a T_a \rightarrow U G_{\mu\nu} U^{-1}$$

pure gauge configuration

$$A_{\mu} = \frac{i}{g} U \partial_{\mu} U^{-1} \quad \text{non-physical?}$$

ex) $SU(2)$ $T_a = \frac{1}{2} \sigma_a$

Consider $A_{\mu} = A_{\mu}^a \frac{\sigma_a}{2} = \frac{i}{g} U_1 \partial_{\mu} U_1^{-1}$

with $U_1 = \frac{x_4 + i \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{x}}{\sqrt{r^2}}$, $x_4 = i c t$
 $r^2 = \vec{x}^2 + x_4^2$

$$G_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu} A_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu} A_{\mu} - i g [A_{\mu}, A_{\nu}]$$

$$K_{\mu} = \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \text{Tr} [A_{\nu} \partial_{\alpha} A_{\beta} - \frac{2}{3} i g A_{\nu} A_{\alpha} A_{\beta}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \int d^4x G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{\mu\nu a} = \int d^4x \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} [G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu}]$$

$$= \int d^4x \partial_\mu K^\mu = \int d^3x \partial_\mu K^\mu = \int dS^3 \hat{x}_\mu K^\mu = \frac{32\pi^2}{g^2}$$

\parallel
 $\frac{16}{g^2} \frac{x_\mu}{r^4} \parallel$
 $2\pi^2 r^3$

•• For $A_\mu^{(1)} = \frac{i}{g} U_1 \partial_\mu U_1^\dagger$

$$\frac{g^2}{32\pi^2} \int d^4x F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{\mu\nu a} = \frac{1}{m} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{"winding \#"} \\ S^3 \rightarrow S^3 \\ \parallel \\ 2\pi \end{array}$$

• n -vacuum $|n\rangle$ with winding # n . $SU(2)$.

$$A_\mu^{(n)} = \frac{i}{g} U_n \partial_\mu U_n^\dagger$$

$$\left(\frac{2\pi}{g}\right) \cdot U_n = U(1)^n$$

$$A_\mu^{(n)} \rightarrow A_\mu^{(n+1)} = U_1 A_\mu^{(n)} U_1^\dagger + \frac{i}{g} U_1 \partial_\mu U_1^\dagger$$

• $|n\rangle$ is not gauge-invariant

$$U_1 |n\rangle = |n+1\rangle$$

• Gauge invariant " θ -vacuum":

$$|\theta\rangle \equiv \sum_n e^{-in\theta} |n\rangle$$

$$U_m |\theta\rangle = \sum_n e^{-in\theta} |n+m\rangle = e^{im\theta} |\theta\rangle$$

• Effective action for θ -vacuum

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle \theta | \theta \rangle_{-\infty}^{+\infty} &= \sum_{m, n} e^{i(m-n)\theta} \langle m | n \rangle_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \\
 &= \sum_{\nu} e^{i\nu\theta} \sum_n \langle n+\nu | n \rangle_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \\
 &= \sum_{\nu} \int [dA]_{\nu} e^{i \int d^4x [L_{QCD}(\alpha) + L_{\theta}(\alpha)]}
 \end{aligned}$$

where $L_{\theta}(\alpha) = \theta \frac{g^2}{32\pi^2} \epsilon^{abcd} F_{ab} F_{cd}$

↑
gauge invariant
 $\theta =$ arbitrary real number

Strong CP problem

$$\bullet \mathcal{L}_{QCD} = -\frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{\mu\nu a} + i \bar{\psi}_L \not{\partial} \psi_L + i \bar{\psi}_R \not{\partial} \psi_R \\ - \bar{\psi}_L M \psi_R - \bar{\psi}_R M^\dagger \psi_L + \theta \frac{g_s^2}{32\pi^2} G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{\mu\nu a}$$

$M = N_f \times N_f$ complex matrix diagonalizable to

$$M \rightarrow \text{Diag} [m_f e^{i\phi_f}]$$

The phase ϕ_f can be rotated away

$$\text{by } \psi_{L,R} \rightarrow e^{\pm i\phi_f/2} \psi_{L,R}$$

This chiral rotation is anomalous

and changes $\theta \rightarrow \theta + \sum_f \phi_f$

Thus, we have

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = -\frac{1}{4} G^2 + i \bar{\psi}_L \not{\partial} \psi_L + i \bar{\psi}_R \not{\partial} \psi_R \\ - m_f (\bar{\psi}_L \psi_R + \bar{\psi}_R \psi_L) + \theta \frac{g_s^2}{32\pi^2} G \tilde{G}$$

where $\tilde{\theta} = \theta + \text{Arg Det}(M_g)$

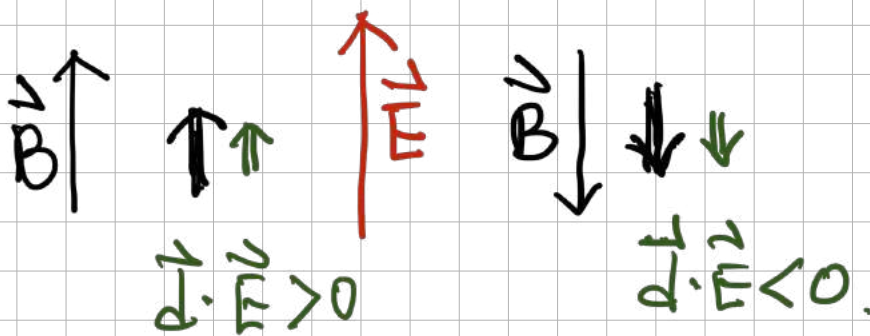
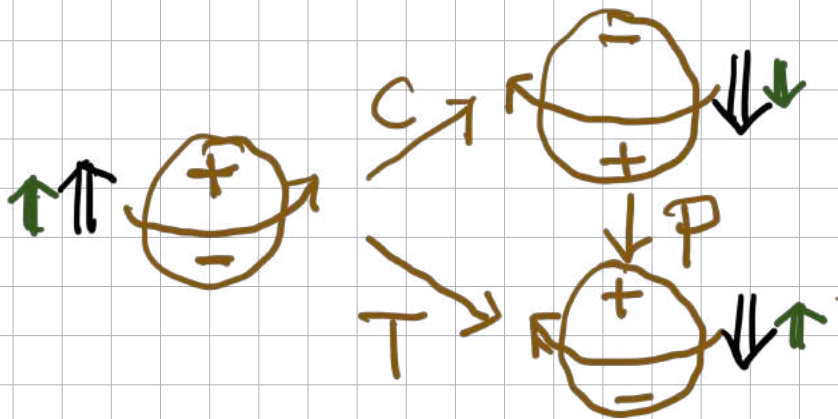
• $GG \sim \vec{E}^2 - \vec{B}^2$ CP-even

$GG \sim \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}$ CP-odd.

	\vec{E}	\vec{B}	\vec{j}	\vec{d}
C	-	-	-	-
P	-	+	+	-
T	+	-	-	+

Maxwell eqs.
 $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = - \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$
 $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \vec{j} + \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$

$\vec{j} \propto \vec{v} \times \vec{d}$
 $\vec{s} \propto \vec{v} \times \vec{v}$



Magnetic Dipole Moment

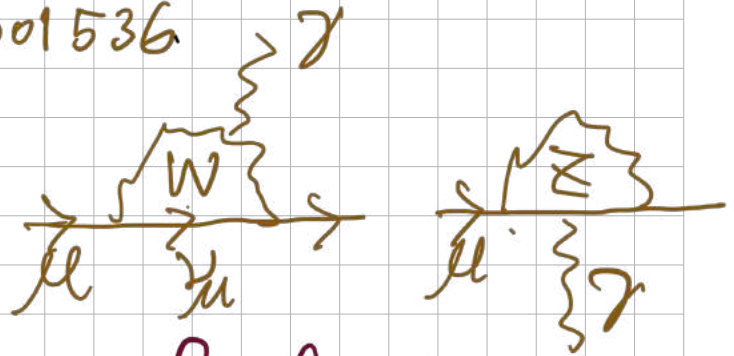
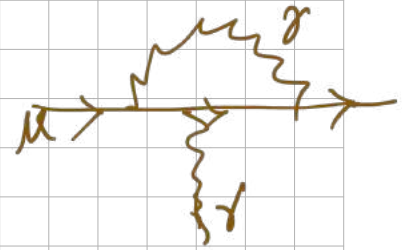
$$\vec{\mu} = g \frac{e}{2m} \vec{S}$$

$$g = 2 \left(1 + \underbrace{\frac{a}{2\pi}}_{11 \mu} + \dots \right)$$

$$0.00116592062(41)$$

$$0.000000001536$$

"Schwinger"



Electric Dipole Moment

$\vec{d} \neq 0 \leftarrow$ signal of CPV.

$$h\nu_+ = 2(\mu B + dE)$$

$$h\nu_- = 2(\mu B - dE)$$

$$\Rightarrow d = \frac{h \Delta\nu}{4E}$$

Current limit on neutron EDM

$$d_n \lesssim 1.8 \times 10^{-26} \text{ ecm (PSI)}, \quad d_n^{\text{SM}} \approx 10^{-32} \text{ ecm.}$$

• $\bar{\theta} \neq 0 \rightarrow d_n \approx \bar{\theta} \times 10^{-16} \text{ ecm}$

$\therefore \bar{\theta} \lesssim 10^{-10}$ "Why so small?"

(*) To see how EDM arises from $\bar{\theta}$, consider the chiral rotation removing

$$L_{\text{anomaly}} = \bar{\theta} G \tilde{G} \text{ term}$$

$$f_{L,R} \rightarrow e^{\mp i \frac{q_f}{2} \bar{\theta}} f_{L,R} \text{ where } f=u,d.$$

under which

$$L_{\text{anomaly}} = (\bar{\theta} - (C_u + C_d) \bar{\theta}) G \tilde{G}$$

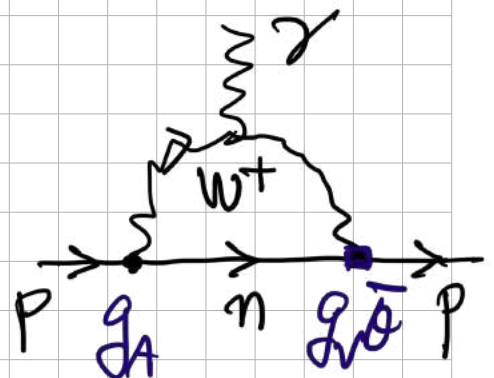
$$\parallel \leftarrow C_u + C_d = 1$$

$\bar{\theta}$ appears in the mass term

$$L_{\text{mass}} = m_u e^{i C_u \bar{\theta}} \bar{u}_L u_R + \text{h.c.} \\ + m_d e^{i C_d \bar{\theta}} \bar{d}_L d_R + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\approx m_u \bar{u} u + m_d \bar{d} d \quad \text{CP-even} \\ + m_u C_u \bar{\theta} \bar{u} i \gamma_5 u + m_d C_d \bar{\theta} \bar{d} i \gamma_5 d \quad \text{CP-odd}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\pi NN} \approx \frac{g_A}{f_\pi} \partial_\mu \pi^a \bar{N} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \sigma^a N \\ + \frac{g_V \bar{\theta}}{f_\pi} \partial_\mu \pi^a \bar{N} \gamma_\mu \sigma^a N$$



PQ mechanism

- Solution to the strong CP problem.

Best

- Introduce a chiral symmetry which is broken spontaneously.

global $U(1)$
anomalous under QCD
 $= U(1)_{PQ}$

$$S(x) = \frac{f_a + s(x)}{\sqrt{2}} e^{i \frac{a(x)}{f_a}}$$

PQ-charge 1.

$$U(1)_{PQ} : a \rightarrow a + \alpha f_a$$

$$S \rightarrow e^{i\alpha} S.$$

Axion = GB of $U(1)_{PQ}$.

ex) Kim (heavy quark) axion,

$$\mathcal{L}_{PQ} = y_s \left(S \bar{Q}_L Q_R + S^\dagger \bar{Q}_R Q_L \right) + \lambda_s \left(|S|^2 - \frac{f_a^2}{2} \right)^2.$$


$$\stackrel{PQSB}{\Rightarrow} y_s \frac{f_a}{\sqrt{2}} \left(e^{i \frac{a}{f_a}} \bar{Q}_L Q_R + \text{h.c.} \right)$$

Performing a chiral transformation

$$Q_{L,R} \rightarrow e^{\pm i\alpha/2f_a} Q_{L,R}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{PK}} = M_Q (\bar{Q}_L Q_R + \text{h.c.}), \quad M_Q = \frac{y}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{f_a}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{anomaly}} = \left(\bar{\theta} + \frac{\alpha}{f_a} \right) \frac{g^2}{32\pi^2} \mathbf{G} \tilde{\mathbf{G}}$$



- Axion mass

Rotate away $\frac{\alpha}{f_a}$ from $\mathcal{L}_{\text{anomaly}}$
to u, d, s quarks

$$\begin{cases} u_{L,R} \rightarrow e^{\pm i \frac{C_u}{2} \frac{\alpha}{f_a}} u_{L,R} \\ d_{L,R} \rightarrow e^{\pm i \frac{C_d}{2} \frac{\alpha}{f_a}} d_{L,R} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\text{anomaly}} : \frac{\alpha}{f_a} \rightarrow \frac{\alpha}{f_a} - \underbrace{(C_u + C_d)}_{=1} \frac{\alpha}{f_a} = 0$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}} = m_u e^{i C_u \frac{\alpha}{f_a}} \bar{u}_L u_R + \text{h.c.} \\ + m_d e^{i C_d \frac{\alpha}{f_a}} \bar{d}_L d_R + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2} B f_{\pi}^2 \text{Tr}(M \Sigma^{\dagger} + \Sigma M^{\dagger})$$

$$M = \text{Diag.} \left(m_u e^{i C_u \frac{a}{f_a}}, m_d e^{i C_d \frac{a}{f_a}} \right)$$

$$\Sigma = e^{i \frac{\phi}{f_{\pi}}}, \quad \phi = \begin{pmatrix} \pi^0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\pi^0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M \Sigma^{\dagger} = \begin{pmatrix} m_u & 0 \\ 0 & m_d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^{-i \left(\frac{\pi^0}{f_{\pi}} - C_u \frac{a}{f_a} \right)} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{+i \left(\frac{\pi^0}{f_{\pi}} + C_d \frac{a}{f_a} \right)} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = B f_{\pi}^2 \left[m_u \cos \left(\frac{\pi^0}{f_{\pi}} - C_u \frac{a}{f_a} \right) + m_d \cos \left(\frac{\pi^0}{f_{\pi}} + C_d \frac{a}{f_a} \right) \right]$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{2} B f_{\pi}^2 \left[(m_u + m_d) \frac{(\pi^0)^2}{f_{\pi}^2} \right.$$

$$\left. + (m_u C_u^2 + m_d C_d^2) \frac{a^2}{f_a^2} - 2(m_u C_u - m_d C_d) \frac{\pi^0 a}{f_{\pi} f_a} \right]$$

$$C_u = \frac{m_d}{m_u + m_d}, \quad C_d = \frac{m_u}{m_u + m_d}$$

$$m_{\pi^0}^2 = B(m_u + m_d)$$

$$m_a^2 = \frac{m_{\pi^0}^2 f_{\pi}^2}{f_a^2} \frac{m_u m_d}{(m_u + m_d)^2}$$