

### 3.4 Topological terms from integrating out fermions

$$H_K = M (c^\dagger \vec{\sigma} c) \cdot \vec{S}$$

← spins

$$\text{mp } Z = \int [D\psi D\bar{\psi} D\vec{n}] e^{-\int_0^T dt \bar{\psi} (\partial_t - M\vec{n} \cdot \vec{\sigma}) \psi - S_0[\vec{n}]}$$

$$\psi = (\psi_\uparrow, \psi_\downarrow)$$

$$\vec{n}^2 = 1$$

$$S_0[\vec{n}] = 4\pi \int W_0[\vec{n}] + \int K \dot{\vec{n}}^2 + \dots$$

claim: for a fixed slowly <sup>varying</sup> config of  $\vec{n}$  the fermions are gapped.

$$\langle c_\alpha^\dagger(t) c_\beta(0) \rangle = \langle \bar{\Psi}_\alpha(t) \Psi_\beta(0) \rangle \sim e^{-Mt}$$

$$Z = \int [D\vec{n}] e^{-S_{\text{eff}}[\vec{n}]} \quad D \equiv \partial_t - M\vec{n} \cdot \vec{\sigma}$$

$$S_{\text{eff}}[\vec{n}] = S_0[\vec{n}] - \log \det(D) = S_0 + S_1$$

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fermion loop

slowly-varying:  $|\dot{\vec{n}}| \ll M$ .

Method 1:  $\delta S_1 = -\text{tr}(\delta D D^{-1})$

$$= -\text{tr} \delta D D^{-1} (D D^{-1})^{-1}$$

$$D^{-1} \equiv -\partial_t - M \dot{\vec{n}} \cdot \vec{\sigma} \qquad \delta D = -M \delta \dot{\vec{n}} \cdot \vec{\sigma}$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta S_1 = M \text{tr} \left[ \delta \dot{\vec{n}} \cdot \vec{\sigma} (\partial_t + M \dot{\vec{n}} \cdot \vec{\sigma}) \underbrace{\left( -\partial_t^2 + M^2 - M \dot{\vec{n}} \cdot \vec{\sigma} \right)^{-1}}_{D D^{-1}} \right]$$

eg:  $D = M \left( \dot{\vec{n}} \cdot \vec{\sigma} + \frac{\partial_t}{M} \right)$   
small

use:  $\dot{\vec{n}}^2 = 1$   
 $\Rightarrow \dot{\vec{n}} \cdot \delta \dot{\vec{n}} = 0,$   
 $\dot{\vec{n}} \cdot \ddot{\vec{n}} = 0.$

$$\delta S_1 = \int dt \left[ -\frac{M}{|M|} \frac{1}{2} \delta \vec{n} \cdot (\dot{\vec{n}} \times \ddot{\vec{n}}) + \frac{1}{4M} \delta \dot{\vec{n}} \cdot \ddot{\vec{n}} + \dots \right]$$

$$= \delta \left[ -2\pi \frac{M}{|M|} W_0[\hat{\vec{n}}] + \int_0^T dt \frac{\dot{\vec{n}}^2}{8M} + \dots \right]$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} K \rightarrow K + \frac{1}{8m} \\ S \rightarrow S - \frac{\text{sign}(M)}{2} \end{array} \right.$$

$M > 0$  is (AFM)  $\rightarrow H_K$  wants to (minimize)  $S_{\text{total}}^2$   
 $M < 0$  is (FM)

$$\xi_{\text{total}} = \xi + c^\dagger \sigma c$$

$$S \otimes \frac{1}{2} = \underbrace{S - \frac{1}{2}}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ M > 0 \\ \text{this is the } \xi}} \oplus \underbrace{S + \frac{1}{2}}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{if } M < 0 \\ \text{this is } \xi_0}}$$

Method 2 to calculate  $S_1 = -\text{tr} \ln D \stackrel{?}{=} -\text{tr} \ln \tilde{D}$

$$\tilde{D} \equiv U^\dagger(t) D U(t) \equiv \partial_t - ia - M \sigma^3$$

$$U^\dagger(t) \tilde{v} \sigma U(t) = \sigma^3$$

$$a \equiv U^\dagger i \partial_t U \quad (2 \times 2 \text{ matrix})$$

$$\tilde{D} = G_0^{-1} (1 - G_0 i a)$$

$$G_0^{-1} = \partial_t - M \sigma^3$$

$$S_1^{(n)} = -\text{tr}(\ln \tilde{D}) = \text{tr} \ln G_0 - \text{tr} \ln (1 - G_0 i a)$$

$$= \text{tr} \left( \ln G_0 + G_0 i a + \frac{1}{2} (G_0 i a)^2 + \dots \right)$$

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cut.  
ind. of  $\tilde{D}$



↑  
 $S_{(1)}$



↑  
 $S_{(2)}$

$$S_{(1)} = \text{tr} (G_0 i a) = \text{tr}_r \int d\omega \frac{e^{i\omega t}}{-i\omega - M\sigma^3} \underline{\underline{i a_{\omega=0}}}$$

$G(t=0) = \langle c^\dagger c \rangle$

$$= \theta(M\sigma^3)$$

$$= -\text{sign}(M) \int dt i a^3(t) = \frac{\pi + M\sigma^3}{2}$$

$$a = \sum_{\alpha=1,2,3} a^\alpha \sigma^\alpha$$

$$i a^3 = \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} i a \sigma^3 = \frac{1}{4} \cos \theta \psi$$

$$\Rightarrow S_{(1)} = -2\pi \text{sign}(M) W_0[A].$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 S_{(2)} &= \frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(G_0 i a)^2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int d\omega_1 \int d\omega \text{tr}_\sigma \left[ \frac{1}{-i\omega_1 - M\sigma^3} i a_{-\omega} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \frac{1}{-i(\omega_1 + \omega) - M\sigma^3} i a_\omega \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$I(s_1, s_2) = \int d\omega_1 \frac{1}{-i\omega_1 - Ms_1} \frac{1}{-i(\omega_1 + \omega) - Ms_2}$$

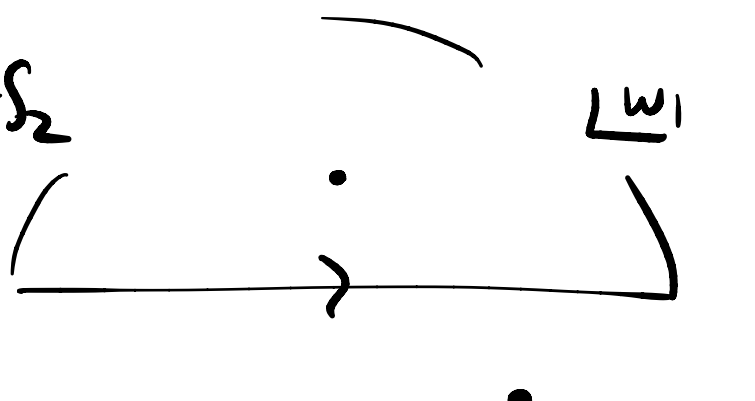
if  $s_1 = s_2$

$= 0.$



if  $s_1 = -s_2$

$= \frac{1}{2M - i s_1 \omega}$



$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{M} \left( \frac{1}{1 - i s_1 \frac{\omega}{M}} \right) = \frac{1}{2M} \left( 1 + O\left(\frac{\omega}{M}\right) \right)$

$$S_{(2)} = \frac{1}{2M} \int dt (a_1^2 + a_2^2) \left(1 + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{M}\right)\right)$$

$$\rightarrow = \frac{1}{8M} \int dt (\partial_t \vec{n})^2 \left(1 + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{M}\right)\right)$$

$$\begin{cases} \vec{n} \cdot \vec{\sigma} = u \sigma^3 u^\dagger \\ 1 = u^\dagger u \\ u^\dagger \dot{u} = -ia \end{cases}$$

This is a local action up to scale  $M$   
 $\Rightarrow \vec{n}$  gapped out  $\psi$ .

$$\langle \bar{\psi}_\alpha(t) \psi_\beta(0) \rangle = \left( \frac{1}{D} \right)_{t,0} = \left( \frac{D^\dagger}{D D^\dagger} \right)_{t,0}$$

$$= \int d\omega e^{i\omega t} \frac{(\omega + iM \vec{n} \cdot \vec{\sigma})}{\omega^2 + M^2} \sim e^{-Mt}$$

Notice:

$$\begin{cases} u \rightarrow u e^{i\psi(t)\sigma^3} \\ a = u^\dagger i \partial_t u \rightarrow e^{-i\sigma^3 \psi} (a + i \partial_t \psi) e^{i\sigma^3 \psi} \\ S_1 \rightarrow S_1 + \int dt \psi \end{cases}$$

## 3.5 Pions

Physics below the scale of the Higgs phenomenon in EW sector.

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4e^2} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{g^2} \text{tr} G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu}$$

$$+ i \sum_{\alpha=L,R} \sum_f \bar{q}_{\alpha f} \not{D} q_{\alpha f} - \underline{\underline{\bar{q} M q}}$$

↑  
flavors: u, d, maybe s.

choose  $q$  to diagonalize  $M = \begin{pmatrix} m_u & 0 \\ 0 & m_d \end{pmatrix}$

If  $m_u = m_d$  : isospin symmetry

$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow U \begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix} \quad U \in SU(N_f=2)$$

(non-chiral)

If  $m_u = m_d = 0$  L, R would decouple

$$q \rightarrow e^{i\alpha \gamma_5} q$$

$$q_L \rightarrow V q_L, \quad q_R \rightarrow U^\dagger q_R \\ V \in SU(N_f=2).$$

Why SU and not U?

$U(1)_A$  is anomalous

$$\partial_\mu j_A^\mu \propto \text{tr } G \wedge G$$

$\Rightarrow$  not a symmetry of QCD.

(no  $\eta'$  goldstone)

[+ 't Hooft]

$U(1) \subset U(N_f)$  is baryon  $\neq B$   
isospin

$q \rightarrow e^{i\alpha} q$  is anomalous

$$\partial_\mu j_B^\mu \propto \text{tr } W \wedge W$$

electroweak  
field str.

also: B-L is not anomalous.

Phenomenological Input:  $\langle \bar{q}_f q_f \rangle = V^3$  indep of  $f$

(Vf)

$\uparrow$   
g.s. expectation.

"chiral  
condensate"

$V$  spontaneously breaks

$$SU(N_f)_L \times SU(N_f)_R \longrightarrow SU(N_f)_{\text{isospin}}$$

$N_f = 2$ .  $\begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix}$  is a doublet of  $\nearrow$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} p &= u_{\alpha} u_{\beta} d_{\gamma} \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma} \\ n &= u_{\alpha} d_{\beta} d_{\gamma} \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} p \\ n \end{pmatrix} \text{ is a doublet}$$

Isospin is explicitly (weakly) broken by:

①  $m_d = 4.7 \text{ MeV}$   
 $\neq m_u = 2.15 \text{ MeV}$

② electromagnetism  
 $q_d = -\frac{1}{3} \neq q_u = +\frac{2}{3}$ .

$$m_d - m_u \ll V$$

Use this SB-structure in the EFT strategy:

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① drop: goldstones = pions

② ✓

③ cutoff =  $V$ .

Linear  $\sigma$ -model:  $\Sigma_{\alpha\beta} \sim \bar{g}_\alpha g_\beta$

$$SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R : \begin{cases} \Sigma \rightarrow g_L \Sigma g_R^\dagger \\ \Sigma^\dagger \rightarrow g_R \Sigma^\dagger g_L^\dagger \end{cases}$$

we can make singlets:  $\Sigma_{\alpha\beta} \Sigma_{\beta\alpha}^\dagger = \text{tr} \Sigma \Sigma^\dagger \equiv |\Sigma|^2$

$$\mathcal{L} = |\partial_\mu \Sigma|^2 + \underbrace{m^2}_{=} \text{tr} \Sigma \Sigma^\dagger - \frac{\lambda}{4} (\text{tr} \Sigma \Sigma^\dagger)^2$$

$$- \int \text{tr} (\Sigma \Sigma^\dagger \Sigma \Sigma^\dagger) + \dots$$

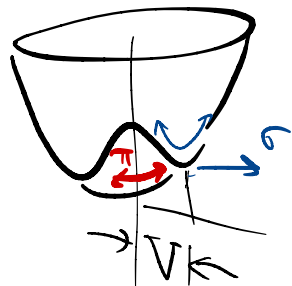
choose  $\vec{V}(\Sigma)$  to have minima at

$$\langle \Sigma \rangle = \frac{V}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left( \text{with } V = \frac{2m}{\sqrt{\lambda}}, g=0 \right)$$

preserves only  $SU(2)_{\text{isospin}}$ :

$$\Sigma \rightarrow g \Sigma g^\dagger$$

$$\Sigma(x) = \frac{V + \sigma(x)}{\sqrt{2}} e^{i \frac{2\pi^a(x) T^a}{F_\pi}}$$



$$\pi^a \text{ parametrize } \{ \text{minima} \} = \text{SU}(2) \times \text{SU}(2) / \text{SU}(2) \approx S^3.$$

$$F_\pi = V = \frac{2m}{\sqrt{\lambda}}$$

$$\text{Under } g_{L/R} = e^{i\theta_{L/R}^a T^a}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \pi^a \rightarrow \pi^a + \frac{F_\pi}{2} (\theta_L^a - \theta_R^a) - \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{f^{abc}}_{\text{nonlinear realization of SU}(2)_{\text{axial}}} (\theta_L^a + \theta_R^a) \pi^c \\ \sigma \rightarrow \sigma \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{linear rep} \\ \text{(adjoint)} \\ \text{of SU}(2)_{\text{isospin}} \end{array}$$

$\pi^\pm, \pi^0$  create pions

shift sym under  $\text{SU}(2)_{\text{axial}}$  forbids mass terms  $(\pi^2) \times$

$\sigma$  is massive & can be removed

by  $m \rightarrow \infty, \lambda \rightarrow \infty$  fixing  $F_\pi$ .

$$U(x) \equiv \frac{\sqrt{2}}{V} \Sigma(x) \Big|_{\sigma=0} = e^{\frac{2i\pi^a T^a}{F_\pi}}.$$

$$U^\dagger U = U U^\dagger = \mathbb{1}.$$

$$\mathcal{L}_\chi = \frac{F_\pi^2}{4} \text{tr} D_\mu U D^\mu U^\dagger + L_1 \text{tr} (D_\mu U D^\mu U^\dagger)^2$$

$$+ L_2 \text{tr} D_\mu U D_\nu U^\dagger + D^\nu U^\dagger U^\mu U$$

$$+ L_3 \text{tr} D_\mu U D^\mu U^\dagger D_\nu U D^\nu U^\dagger + \dots$$

6 deriv

leading term

$$\downarrow \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \pi^a \partial^\mu \pi^a + \frac{1}{F_\pi^2} \left( -\frac{1}{3} \pi^0 \pi^0 D_\mu \pi^+ D^\mu \pi^- + \dots \right)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{F_\pi^4} \left( \frac{1}{18} (\pi^- \pi^+)^2 D_\mu \pi^0 D^\mu \pi^0 + \dots \right)$$

irrelevant interactions  $\leadsto$  2 derivs  
 $\leadsto$  coeffs are determined

$\left( \frac{U - \mathbb{1}}{F_\pi} \right)$  is a small parameter.



# Pion mass & Spurion Method

$$m_{\pi^\pm} \sim 140 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} \ni \bar{q} M q \quad (M \text{ is a matrix of couplings.})$$

AN INVARIANCE OF  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}}$  IS

$$(*) \quad \underline{q_{L/R}} \rightarrow \underline{g_{L/R} q_{L/R}}, \quad \underline{M} \rightarrow \underline{g_L M g_R^\dagger}.$$

Pretend that  $M$  is a field. (spurion)

then  $*$  is a symmetry

this true including QCD interactions.

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}(U, M)$  must be  $*$  symmetric.

$$\Delta \mathcal{L}_\chi = \frac{V^3}{2} (M U + M^\dagger U^\dagger) + \dots$$

$$= V^3 (m_u + m_d) - \frac{V^3}{2 F_\pi^2} (m_u + m_d) \sum_a \pi_a^2 + \mathcal{O}(\pi^3)$$

↖ pion mass!

$$\langle \bar{q} M q \rangle = V^3 (m_u + m_d)$$

$$\Rightarrow m_\pi^2 \simeq \frac{V^3}{F_\pi^2} (m_u + m_d)$$

[ Gell-Mann - Oakes - Renner rel'n. ]

Next: Pion decay.