

Lectures on Chiral Perturbation Theory

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FINITE VOLUME FIELD THEORIES

$$Z[\eta] = \int \mathcal{D}\phi \, \exp\left(-\int_V \mathcal{L}(\partial_\mu \phi, \phi, \eta)
ight)$$

- Euclidean spacetime volume: hypercubic L
- Boundary conditions: periodic $\phi(x + L) = \phi(x)$ Single valued on hypertorus: no surface terms Discrete translation symmetry: PBCs not renormalized

$$\phi(x) = \int_{k} e^{ikx} \phi_{k}$$

$$\phi(x+L) = \int_{k} e^{ikx} \phi_{k} e^{ikL}$$

$$k = \frac{2\pi n}{L}$$
That's it.

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Gauge functions restricted

 $\downarrow q_{\mu}J_{\mu} = Q[G^{-1}(q+p) - G^{-1}(p)]$

 $J_{\mu} = Q \frac{\partial G^{-1}}{\partial n}$

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LONG-RANGE PHYSICS

• Observables: electromagnetic moments, for example

Charge and current distributions are not described by multipole expansion

Electric and magnetic fields are not the only gauge invariant quantities

• No spontaneous symmetry breaking at finite volume

 $\mathcal{P} \sim e^{-V \int_a^b d\phi F(\phi)}$

Quantum mechanics vs. field theory

Long-range physics modified: Goldstone bosons $k = \frac{2\pi n}{r}$

 $F(q^2) \to F_p(q,L)$ $qL = 2\pi n$

$$e^{i\int_0^L dx_\mu A_\mu(x)}$$



That's it.

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+ chiral physics must fit in the box $Z_{\text{eff}} = \int \mathcal{D}\Sigma \, e^{-\int_V \mathcal{L}(\partial_\mu \Sigma, \Sigma)}$ $L \gg 1/(4\pi f)$ Example: chiral condensate $\langle \overline{\psi}\psi \rangle = -\frac{\partial \log Z_{\text{eff}}}{\partial m_{\alpha}} = \blacksquare + \blacksquare + m_{\pi}^2 \blacksquare$ $\int_{k} \frac{1}{k^2 + m_{\pi}^2} \sim m_{\pi}^2 \log \frac{m_{\pi}^2}{\mu^2}$ Infrared logarithm $k = \frac{2\pi n}{I}$ $1 \gg (m_{\pi}L)^2 \gg (m_{\pi}/\Lambda_{\chi})^2$ $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dk}{2\pi} \to \frac{1}{L} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{+\infty} \longrightarrow \frac{1}{(fL)^2} \left| \frac{1}{(m_{\pi}L)^2} + \sum_{n_{\mu} \neq 0} \frac{1}{4\pi^2 n_{\mu}^2 + (m_{\pi}L)^2} \right|$

Power counting: epsilon regime Vertices $\partial_{\mu}\partial_{\mu} \sim \varepsilon^2 \lambda m_q \sim \varepsilon^4$ Loop factor $\int_{k_{\mu}} \rightarrow \frac{1}{L^4} \sum_{m} \sim \varepsilon^4$ Propagator $\frac{1}{m_{\pi}^2} + \sum_{n_{\mu} \neq 0} \frac{1}{\left(\frac{2\pi n_{\mu}}{L}\right)^2 + m_{\pi}^2}$ Zero mode ε^{-4} Non-zero modes ε^{-2}

Exercise:

Do the leading-order four-pion interactions allow mixing of zero and non-zero modes? Draw all one- and two-loop diagrams for the chiral condensate & count powers of epsilon. $\frac{1}{L} \sim \varepsilon, \quad m_{\pi} \sim \varepsilon^2$

General Feynman diagram (I internal, V vertices, L loops) L = I - V + 1Only zero mode $\sim \varepsilon^{4L+4V-4I} = \varepsilon^4$ Only non-zero modes, derivative vertices $\sim \varepsilon^{4L+2V-2I} = \varepsilon^{2L+2}$

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ZERO PION MOMENTUM

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 $\Sigma(x) = \Sigma_0 e^{2i\phi(x)/f}$ but can treat non-perturbatively (Matrix Model)

$$Z_0 = \int \mathcal{D}\Sigma_0 e^{-\int_V \mathcal{L}(\partial_\mu \Sigma_0 = 0, \Sigma_0)} = \int \mathcal{D}\Sigma_0 e^{2m_q \lambda L^4 \mathfrak{Re}[\operatorname{Tr}(\Sigma_0)]}$$

SU(2) simple to evaluate $Z_0 = I_1(2s)/s, \quad s = 2m_q \lambda L^4 = \frac{1}{4} f^2 m_\pi^2 L^4$

$$\langle \overline{\psi}\psi\rangle = -\frac{\partial \log Z_{\text{eff}}}{\partial m_q}$$
 $\langle \overline{\psi}\psi\rangle/\langle \overline{\psi}\psi\rangle_{\infty} = \frac{\partial}{\partial s}\log I_1(2s)/s$





• Epsilon regime in principle allows clean access to low-energy constants ...

ZERO PION WINDING

FINITE VOLUME CHPT

Power counting: *p-regime* Vertices $\partial_{\mu}\partial_{\mu}, \lambda m_q \sim p^2$ Loop factor $\int_{k_{\mu}} \rightarrow \frac{1}{L^4} \sum_{n_{\mu}} \sim p^4$ **Propagator** $\frac{1}{m_{\pi}^2} + \sum_{n_{\mu} \neq 0} \frac{1}{\left(\frac{2\pi n_{\mu}}{L}\right)^2 + m_{\pi}^2}$ All modes $\sim p^{-2}$

 $\frac{1}{L} \sim p \qquad m_{\pi} \sim p$

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$$\sim p^{4L-2I+2V} = p^{2L+2}$$

Mimics infinite volume power counting

$$(m_{\pi}L)^2 \gtrsim 1 \gg m_{\pi}^2 / \Lambda_{\chi}^2$$

Infinite volume limit $m_{\pi}L \to \infty$

Mode sums required in *p-regime*. . . Goal: trade in momentum sums for momentum integrals

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Finite volume propagator

$$D^{\rm FV}(x,0) = \frac{1}{L} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{2\pi i n x/L} G(2\pi n/L)$$

$$G(k) = \frac{1}{k^2 + m^2} \qquad \qquad k =$$

That's it.

 $2\pi n$

L

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pion wraps around the world



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Example: chiral condensate $\langle \overline{\psi}\psi \rangle = -\frac{\partial \log Z_{\text{eff}}}{\partial m_a} = \square +$

$$+$$
 $+$ m_{π}^2

One-loop contribution $\propto D^{\rm FV}(0,0)$

Winding number expansion

 $D^{\rm FV}(0,0) = D^{\infty}(0,0) + d \left[D^{\infty}(L,0) + D^{\infty}(-L,0) \right] + \dots$ $\nu = 0 \qquad \nu = 1 \qquad \nu = -1$

Asymptotically large volume

$$D^{\infty}(x,0) = \frac{m}{4\pi^2 \sqrt{x^2}} K_1\left(m\sqrt{x^2}\right) = \frac{m^2}{2(2\pi m\sqrt{x^2})^{3/2}} e^{-m\sqrt{x^2}} + \dots$$

Result with leading finite volume correction

$$\langle \overline{\psi}\psi\rangle = \langle \overline{\psi}\psi\rangle_{m_q=0}^{\infty} \left[1 + \frac{3\,m_\pi^2}{(4\pi f)^2} \left(\log\frac{\mu^2}{m_\pi^2} + 1 - 8\sqrt{2\pi}\frac{e^{-m_\pi L}}{(m_\pi L)^{3/2}}\right) - \frac{m_\pi^2}{f^2}\mathbb{L}_4(\mu)\right]$$



Exercise:

In addressing finite volume corrections, one typically considers lattices with finite spatial volume and infinite temporal extent.



Why is this done? How are the above results modified? How does the pion mass scale with volume for asymptotically large volumes?

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Partial Quenching

QCD

Paradigm also useful for mixed actions, QCD + QQED, disconnected diagrams

 $D \rightarrow D_{\rm sea}$

Quenching and Bosonic Quarks



 $\mathcal{L}_{\text{QQCD}} = \overline{\psi} \left(\not\!\!\!D + m_q \right) \psi + \overline{\tilde{\psi}} \left(\not\!\!\!D + m_q \right) \tilde{\psi} = \overline{\Psi} \left(\not\!\!\!D + m_q \right) \Psi \qquad gr$

graded vector

 $\psi \text{ fermionic quarks (Grassmann anticommuting)} \qquad \int \mathcal{D}\overline{\psi}\mathcal{D}\psi e^{-S[\overline{\psi},\psi]} = \operatorname{Det}(\mathcal{P}+m_q)$ $\widetilde{\psi} \text{ bosonic quarks (commuting)} \qquad \int \mathcal{D}\overline{\psi}\mathcal{D}\psi e^{-S[\overline{\psi},\overline{\psi}]} = \frac{1}{\operatorname{Det}(\mathcal{P}+m_q)}$ Fermionic quarks couple to external sources

Partial Quenching and Bosonic Quarks

 $\mathcal{L}_{PQQCD} = \overline{\psi} \left(\not\!\!\!D + m_{val} \right) \psi + \overline{\tilde{\psi}} \left(\not\!\!\!D + m_{val} \right) \tilde{\psi} + \overline{\psi}' \left(\not\!\!\!D + m_{sea} \right) \psi' = \overline{\Psi} \left(\not\!\!\!D + M \right) \Psi$

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Valence fermionic quarks couple to external sources



Graded Symmetries

$$U(4|2)_{V}$$

Exercise:

Show that the graded trace is invariant under graded unitary transformations.

Partially Quenched Chiral Perturbation Theory

Spontaneous chiral symmetry breaking $S(4|2)_L \otimes SU(4|2)_R \longrightarrow SU(4|2)_V$

$$\Sigma = e^{2i\Phi/f} \qquad \Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \Phi_{\overline{\psi}\psi} & \Phi_{\overline{\psi}\psi'} & \Phi_{\overline{\psi}\tilde{\psi}\psi} \\ \Phi_{\overline{\psi}\psi} & \Phi_{\overline{\psi}\psi'} & \Phi_{\overline{\psi}\tilde{\psi}\psi} \\ \Phi_{\overline{\psi}\psi} & \Phi_{\overline{\psi}\psi'} & \Phi_{\overline{\psi}\tilde{\psi}\psi} \end{pmatrix} \qquad \text{Explicit symmetry breaking} \\ \overline{\Psi}_L M \Psi_R + \overline{\Psi}_R M \Psi_L$$

• PQChPT $\mathcal{L}_2 = \frac{f^2}{8} \left[\operatorname{Str} \left(D_\mu \Sigma D_\mu \Sigma^\dagger \right) - \lambda \operatorname{Str} \left(M \Sigma + \Sigma^\dagger M \right) \right] + \frac{1}{2} \mu_0^2 \left[\operatorname{Str} (\Phi) \right]^2$

Can show that f, λ are the same as in ChPT

Matching $m_{\rm sea} = m_{\rm val}$

 $U(4|2)_L \otimes U(4|2)_R \longrightarrow U(1)_A \otimes U(1)_V \otimes SU(4|2)_V$ $\mu_0 \longrightarrow \qquad \text{Str} \, \Phi = \eta_{\text{val}}' + \eta_{\text{sea}}' - \tilde{\eta}'$

Flavor *neutral* meson propagators have double poles

Exercise:

Find the tree-level masses of all *charged* mesons in PQChPT.

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• Most solutions of fermion doubling problem break chiral symmetry at zero quark mass



propagation of infrared modes determined by nature of discretization



Symanzik's Effective Field Theory

• Near continuum, lattice QCD can be described by an effective theory built from continuum operators respecting the underlying lattice theory (different for each lattice action)

 $S_{\text{ymanzik}} = S_0 + aS_1 + a^2S_2 + \dots$

gauge invariance, C, P, T, hypercubic invariance, ...

$$S_i = \sum_j c_j^{(i)} \, \mathcal{O}_j^{(i)}$$

• Leading order is just QCD action (perhaps after fine tuning) $S_0 = \overline{\psi} \left(D + m_q \right) \psi$

Euclidean invariance recovered as an accidental symmetry

$$\mathcal{O} = \sum_{\mu} \overline{\psi} D_{\mu} D_{\mu} D_{\mu} \gamma_{\mu} \psi$$

*Logarithms buried in coefficients $\log(1/a)$ $c_j^{(i)}(g^2)$

ChPT for the Wilson Action

• Wilson solves fermion doubling by breaking chiral symmetry... Accordingly not imposed on the Symanzik theory for Wilson action.

(Quark mass renormalization $\frac{1}{a}\overline{\psi}\psi$ requires fine tuning to have light quarks)

• Chiral symmetry breaking operator

$$S_1 = c_{\rm sw}\overline{\psi}\sigma_{\mu\nu}G_{\mu\nu}\psi = c_{\rm sw}\left[\overline{\psi}_L\sigma_{\mu\nu}G_{\mu\nu}\psi_R + \overline{\psi}_R\sigma_{\mu\nu}G_{\mu\nu}\psi_L\right]$$

• Incorporate into chiral perturbation theory

$$\mathcal{L}_{\chi} = \frac{f^2}{8} \operatorname{Tr} \left(\partial_{\mu} \Sigma \partial_{\mu} \Sigma^{\dagger} \right) - m_q \lambda \operatorname{Tr} \left(\Sigma + \Sigma^{\dagger} \right) - a c_{sw} \lambda_a \operatorname{Tr} \left(\Sigma + \Sigma^{\dagger} \right)$$
$$m_{\pi}^2 = \frac{8}{f^2} \left(m_q \lambda + a c_{sw} \lambda_a \right) \qquad \text{Chiral logarithms} \quad \log[m_{\pi}^2(m_q, a)]$$

Action improvement will diminish size of coefficient $c_{
m sw}$

ChPT for Mixed Lattice Actions

- For computational economy, can use different fermion actions for valence/sea overlap valence / domain wall sea domain wall valence / staggered sea $\Psi = \begin{pmatrix} \psi \\ \widetilde{\chi} \end{pmatrix}$
- Symanzik action is expressed as a partially quenched theory

Continuum limit symmetry $SU(4|2)_L \otimes SU(4|2)_R$

$$\Psi_{\rm sea} = \psi'$$

Finite lattice spacing $SU(2|2)_L \otimes SU(2|2)_R \otimes SU(2)_L \otimes SU(2)_R$

• Explicit breaking, e.g. $\mathcal{O}_{mix} = \sum \left(\overline{\Psi}\gamma_{\mu}\Psi\right) \left(\overline{\Psi}_{sea}\gamma_{\mu}\Psi_{sea}\right)$

A consequence: mixed meson masses are not protected from additive renormalization at finite lattice spacing

$$_{\prime}, \Phi_{\overline{\psi}'\psi} \qquad \Delta(m_{\pi}^2)_{\rm val,sea} = a^2 C_{\rm mix}$$

Exercise:

Write down all dimension-6 four-quark operators in the Symanzik action for a general mixed-action theory. Classify the operators according to symmetry. Which ones are absent in a theory describing Wilson valence quarks and overlap sea quarks?