

Analysis of QCD via Supergravity

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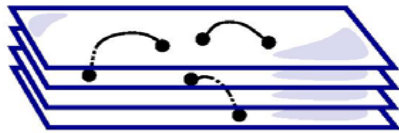
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What is nice?

- QCD is one of our favorite QFT.
- We can use
 - * knowledge of QCD
 - * **experimental data**to test the conjectured gauge/gravity duality.
- A new way to analyze QCD.
 - application to phenomenology
- Anyway, it is fun !

Outline

String theory



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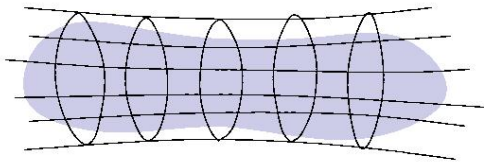
QCD

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4g^2} \text{Tr } F_{\mu\nu}^2 + i\bar{\psi}_i \not{D} \psi^i$$

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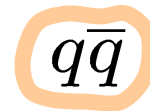
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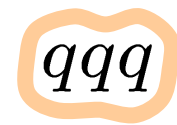
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Hadron physics



π, ρ, a_1, \dots



p, n, \dots

① Construction of QCD

★ building blocks

$$\text{QCD} = \text{YM} + \text{quarks}$$

- Yang-Mills

D4-brane on S^1 with $\lambda(x^\mu, \tau) = -\lambda(x^\mu, \tau + 2\pi M_{\text{KK}}^{-1})$

4 dim $\mathcal{N} = 4$ super YM

~~SUSY~~

\Rightarrow
 $E \ll M_{\text{KK}}$

4 dim pure YM

Corresponding SUGRA solution is known. [Witten 1998]

- quarks

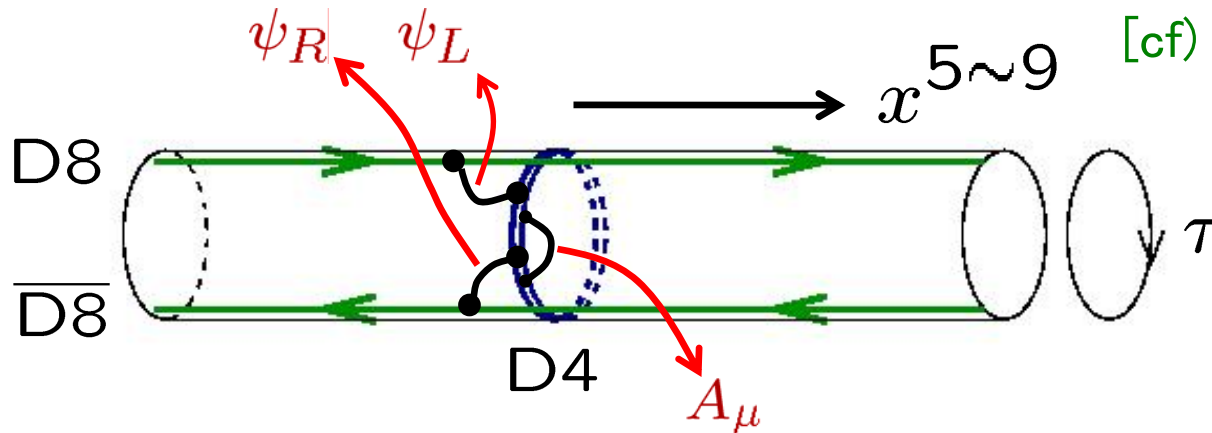
Add probe D8-branes.

cf) KMMW model : D4 + probe D6

[Kruczenski-Mateos-Myers-Winter 2003]

★ the brane configuration

		x^0	x^1	x^2	x^3	τ	x^5	x^6	x^7	x^8	x^9
D4	$\times N_c$	○	○	○	○	○	—	—	—	—	—
D8- $\overline{\text{D8}}$	$\times N_f$	○	○	○	○	—	○	○	○	○	○



[cf) S.S.-Takahashi 2004]

	D4 $U(N_c)$	D8 $U(N_f)_L$	$\overline{\text{D8}}$ $U(N_f)_R$
A_μ	adjoint	1	1
ψ_L	N_c	N_f	1
ψ_R	N_c	1	N_f



4 dim $U(N_c)$ QCD with
 N_f massless quarks

② Supergravity description

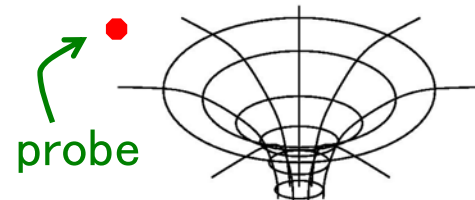
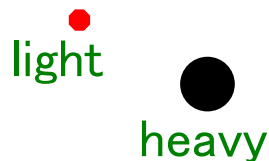
★ Probe approximation

We assume

$$N_c \gg N_f$$

Only D4-brane is replaced with the SUGRA solution.
D8- $\overline{\text{D8}}$ pairs are treated as probes.

cf)



The metric of the corresponding D4 solution is

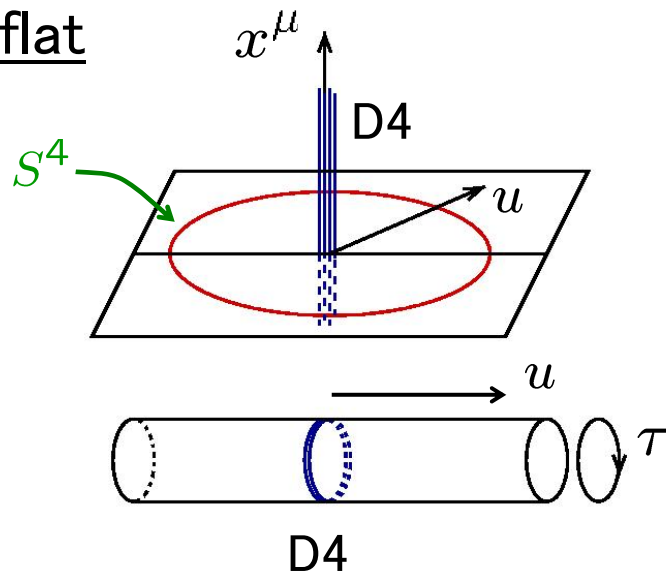
$$\begin{aligned}
 \lambda = g_{\text{YM}}^2 N_c &\rightarrow \\
 ds^2 = \frac{\lambda l_s^2}{3} &\left[\frac{4}{9} M_{\text{KK}}^2 u^{3/2} (\eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu + f(u) d\tau^2) \right. \\
 &\left. + u^{-3/2} \left(\frac{du^2}{f(u)} + u^2 d\Omega_4^2 \right) \right] \quad (\tau \sim \tau + 2\pi M_{\text{KK}}^{-1})
 \end{aligned}$$

where

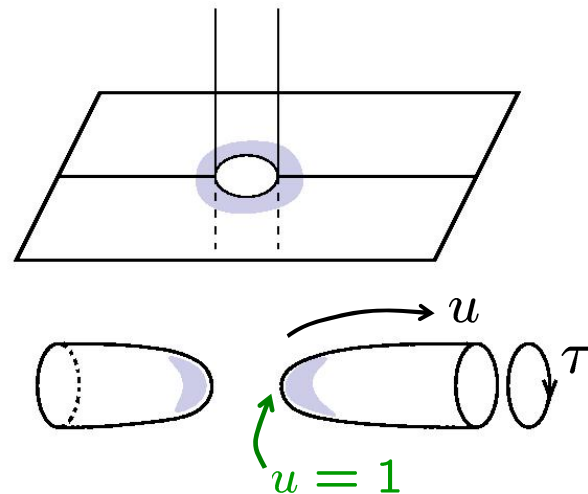
$$f(u) \equiv 1 - 1/u^3$$

radial direction, bounded as $u \geq 1$

flat



D4 solution



③ Exploration

highlights

- Chiral symmetry breaking
- Unification of mesons
- Construction of baryons
- mass & couplings
- vector meson dominance

★ Chiral symmetry breaking

We replace D4 with the SUGRA sol.



D8 and $\overline{D8}$ must be connected
in the D4 background.

➡ interpreted as the chiral symmetry breaking !

$$U(N_f)_L \times U(N_f)_R \rightarrow U(N_f)_V$$



D8

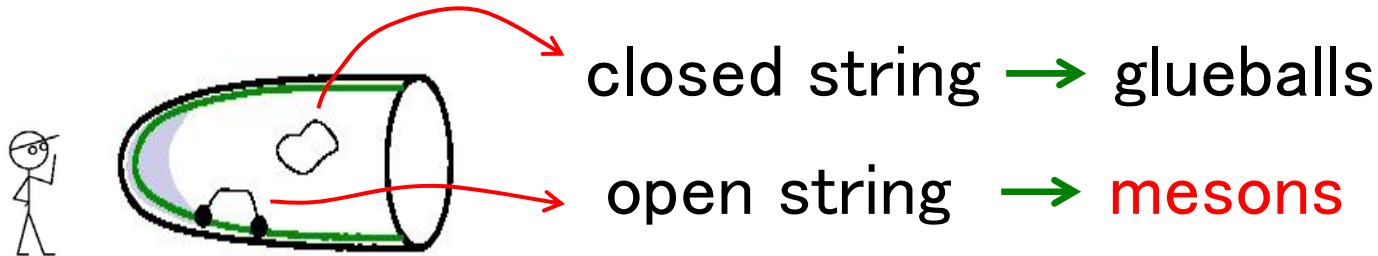


$\overline{D8}$



connected D8

★ Where are mesons?

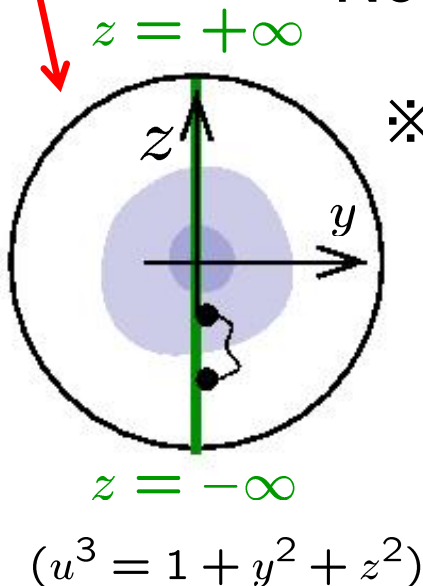


The effective theory is a 9 dim $U(N_f)$ gauge theory

$$A_\mu(x^\mu, z, \theta^i), \quad A_z(x^\mu, z, \theta^i), \quad A_i(x^\mu, z, \theta^i)$$

\uparrow_{S^4}
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Note: There is an $SO(5)$ symmetry $\curvearrowright S^4$



※ Today, we only consider
the $SO(5)$ singlet states, for simplicity.

(mesons in realistic QCD live in this sector)

→ reduced to **5 dim** $U(N_f)$ gauge theory

$$A_\mu(x^\mu, z), \quad A_z(x^\mu, z)$$

D8-brane action

- $$S_{D8}^{\text{DBI}} \simeq -T \int d^9x e^{-\phi} \sqrt{-\det(g_{MN} + 2\pi\alpha' F_{MN})}$$

$$\sim \int d^9x e^{-\phi} \sqrt{-g} g^{MN} g^{PQ} F_{MP} F_{NQ} + \dots$$

Inserting the SUGRA solution,

$$S_{D8}^{\text{DBI}} \sim \kappa \int d^4x dz \text{Tr} \left(\frac{1}{2} K(z)^{-1/3} F_{\mu\nu}^2 + M_{KK}^2 K(z) F_{\mu z}^2 \right)$$

$$\kappa \equiv \frac{\lambda N_c}{108\pi^3}$$

$$K(z) \equiv 1 + z^2$$

- $$S_{D8}^{\text{CS}} \simeq \int_9 C \wedge \text{Tr} e^{F/2\pi} \sim \int_9 dC_3 \wedge \frac{1}{3!(2\pi)^3} \omega_5(A) + \dots$$

D4 charge

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{S^4} dC_3 = N_c$$

$$S_{D8}^{\text{CS}} \sim \frac{N_c}{24\pi^2} \int_5 \omega_5(A)$$

$$\text{CS 5-form}$$

$$d\omega_5(A) = \text{Tr} F^3$$

This 5 dim YM-CS theory is considered as the effective theory of mesons.

[cf] Son-Stephanov 2003]

mode expansion

$$\begin{aligned} A_\mu(x^\mu, z) &= \sum_n B_\mu^{(n)}(x^\mu) \psi_n(z) \\ A_z(x^\mu, z) &= \sum_n \varphi^{(n)}(x^\mu) \phi_n(z) \end{aligned}$$

some
complete
sets

- To diagonalize kinetic & mass terms of $B_\mu^{(n)}, \varphi^{(n)}$,

★ choose $\{\psi_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ as eigen functions satisfying

$$-K^{1/3} \partial_z (K \partial_z \psi_n) = \lambda_n \psi_n, \quad \int dz K^{-1/3} \psi_n \psi_m = \delta_{nm}$$

★ choose $\{\phi_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ as $\phi_n(z) = \partial_z \psi_n(z)$ ($K \equiv 1 + z^2$)

→ $\int dz K \phi_n \phi_m = \lambda_n \delta_{nm}$

- In addition, we have one more normalizable mode

$$\phi_0(z) = \frac{c}{K(z)} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \int dz K \phi_0 \phi_n \propto \int dz \partial_z \psi_n = 0 \\ \int dz K \phi_0^2 < \infty \end{array} \right)$$

Using these, we obtain

$$S_{\text{D8}}^{\text{DBI}} \sim \sum_{n \geq 1} \int d^4x \text{Tr} \left[\underbrace{\frac{1}{2} F_{\mu\nu}^{(n)2} + \lambda_n M_{\text{KK}}^2 \left(B_\mu^{(n)} - \partial_\mu \varphi^{(n)} \right)^2}_{\text{massive vector meson}} \right] + \int d^4x \text{Tr} \partial_\mu \varphi^{(0)2}$$

massless scalar meson

+ (interaction terms)

Annotations in the diagram:
 - $F_{\mu\nu}^{(n)} \equiv \partial_\mu B_\nu^{(n)} - \partial_\nu B_\mu^{(n)}$ (green arrow)
 - $B_\mu^{(n)} - \partial_\mu \varphi^{(n)}$ is labeled "eaten" (green arrow)
 - $\varphi^{(0)}$ is labeled "massless scalar meson" (green arrow)
 - The entire bracketed term is labeled "massive vector meson" (green arrow)

In summary,

$$A_z(x^\mu, z) = \varphi^{(0)}(x^\mu) \phi_0(z) + \varphi^{(1)}(x^\mu) \phi_1(z) + \varphi^{(2)}(x^\mu) \phi_2(z) + \dots$$

$$A_\mu(x^\mu, z) = \underbrace{\varphi^{(0)}(x^\mu)}_{\pi} + \underbrace{\varphi^{(1)}(x^\mu)}_{\substack{\downarrow \text{eaten} \\ B_\mu^{(1)}(x^\mu) \psi_1(z)}} + \underbrace{\varphi^{(2)}(x^\mu)}_{\substack{\downarrow \text{eaten} \\ B_\mu^{(2)}(x^\mu) \psi_2(z)}} + \dots$$

π ρ a_1

π, ρ, a_1, \dots are unified in the 5 dim gauge field !

★ Comments on J^{PC}

- Parity : $(x^1, x^2, x^3, \textcolor{red}{z}) \rightarrow (-x^1, -x^2, -x^3, -\textcolor{red}{z})$
- Charge conjugation : $A_M \rightarrow -A_M^T$ and $\textcolor{red}{z} \rightarrow -\textcolor{red}{z}$



	$\varphi^{(0)}$	$B_\mu^{(\text{odd})}$	$B_\mu^{(\text{even})}$
J^{PC}	0^{-+}	1^{--}	1^{++}
	pseudo-scalar	vector	axial-vector

★ Consistent with our interpretation.

$$\pi \sim \varphi^{(0)}, \quad \rho \sim B^{(1)}, \quad a_1 \sim B^{(2)}, \quad \text{etc.}$$

★ Prediction: vector and axial-vector mesons appear alternately.

1^{--}	$\rho(770)$	$\rho(1450)$	$\rho(1700)$	$\rho(1900)^\Delta$	$\rho(2150)^\Delta$
1^{++}	$a_1(1260)$	$a_1(1640)^\Delta$			

(Δ ... not established)

★ mass spectrum

The mass of the n -th meson is given by

$$(\text{mass})^2 = \lambda_n M_{\text{KK}}^2$$

where λ_n is the eigen value of the equation

$$-K^{1/3} \partial_z (K \partial_z \psi_n) = \lambda_n \psi_n$$

$$\int dz K^{-1/3} \psi_n \psi_m = \delta_{nm}$$

★ Let us solve this numerically,
to see if our model is too bad or not.

We should not be too serious,
since the approximation is very crude.

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} N_c \gg N_f \sim \mathcal{O}(1) \\ E \ll M_{\text{KK}}, \quad m_q = 0, \\ \text{etc.} \end{array} \right)$$

Results : $\lambda_n \simeq 0.669, 1.57, 2.87, \dots$

$$\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} \simeq \frac{1.57}{0.669} \simeq 2.35 \quad \text{(our model)}$$

$$\frac{m_{a_1}^2}{m_\rho^2} \simeq \frac{(1230\text{MeV})^2}{(776\text{MeV})^2} \simeq 2.51 \quad \text{(experiment)}$$

$$\frac{\lambda_3}{\lambda_1} \simeq \frac{2.87}{0.669} \simeq 4.29 \quad \text{(our model)}$$

$$\frac{m_{\rho(1450)}^2}{m_\rho^2} \simeq \frac{(1465\text{MeV})^2}{(776\text{MeV})^2} \simeq 3.56 \quad \text{(experiment)}$$

★ chiral symmetry

We have implicitly assumed

$$A_M(x^\mu, z) \rightarrow 0, \quad (z \rightarrow \pm\infty)$$

↖ $M = 0 \sim 3, z$

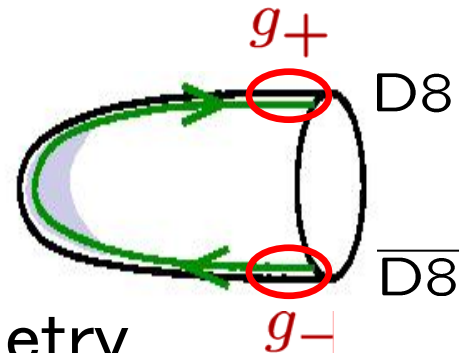
Residual gauge symmetry

$$g(x^\mu, z) \in U(N_f) \text{ s.t. } g(x^\mu, z) \rightarrow g_\pm, \quad (z \rightarrow \pm\infty)$$

↖ constant

This is interpreted as

$$(g_+, g_-) \in U(N_f)_L \times U(N_f)_R$$



- If you want to ‘gauge’ the chiral symmetry,

$$g_\pm \longrightarrow g_\pm(x^\mu)$$

the corresponding gauge fields appear as

$$A_\mu(x^\mu, z) \rightarrow A_{\pm\mu}(x^\mu), \quad (z \rightarrow \pm\infty)$$

- Define

$$U(x^\mu) \equiv P \exp \left\{ - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz' A_z(x^\mu, z') \right\}$$

→ transforms as

$$U(x^\mu) \rightarrow g_+ U(x^\mu) g_-^{-1} \quad (g_{\pm} \equiv \lim_{z \rightarrow \pm\infty} g(x^\mu, z))$$

→ interpreted as the pion field

$$U(x^\mu) = e^{2i\pi(x^\mu)/f_\pi}$$

- It is also useful to define

$$\xi_{\pm}^{-1}(x^\mu) \equiv P \exp \left\{ - \int_0^{\pm\infty} dz' A_z(x^\mu, z') \right\}$$

$$(U(x^\mu) = \xi_+^{-1}(x^\mu) \xi_-(x^\mu))$$

→ transforms as

$$\xi_{\pm}(x^\mu) \rightarrow \underline{h(x^\mu)} \xi_{\pm}(x^\mu) g_{\pm}^{-1} \quad (h(x^\mu) \equiv g(x^\mu, z=0))$$

↖ “hidden” local symmetry

[Bando-Kugo-Uehara-Yamawaki-Yanagida 1985]

★ Two useful gauge choices

- $A_z \simeq \pi$ gauge (\rightarrow simple interaction)

$$A_z(x^\mu, z) = \pi(x^\mu)\phi_0(z) \quad (\text{higher modes are gauged away.})$$

$$A_\mu(x^\mu, z) = A_{+\mu}(x^\mu)\psi_+(z) + A_{-\mu}(x^\mu)\psi_-(z) + \sum_{n \geq 1} B_\mu^{(n)}(x^\mu)\psi_n(z)$$

$$\psi_+(z) \rightarrow \begin{cases} 1 & z \rightarrow +\infty \\ 0 & z \rightarrow -\infty \end{cases} \quad \psi_-(z) \rightarrow \begin{cases} 0 & z \rightarrow +\infty \\ 1 & z \rightarrow -\infty \end{cases} \quad (\text{appropriately chosen})$$

- $A_z = 0$ gauge (\rightarrow manifest chiral symmetry)

$$A_z(x^\mu, z) = 0$$

obtained by the gauge tr. with
 $g^{-1}(x^\mu, z) = P \exp \left\{ - \int_0^z dz' A_z(x^\mu, z') \right\}$

Pion appears in the boundary condition

$$A_\mu(x^\mu, z) \rightarrow A_{\pm\mu}^{\xi\pm}(x^\mu), \quad (z \rightarrow \pm\infty) \quad (A_\mu^g \equiv g A_\mu g^{-1} + g \partial_\mu g^{-1})$$

The mode exp. consistent with this b.c. is

$$A_\mu(x^\mu, z) = A_{+\mu}^{\xi+}(x^\mu)\psi_+(z) + A_{-\mu}^{\xi-}(x^\mu)\psi_-(z) + \sum_{n \geq 1} B_\mu^{(n)}(x^\mu)\psi_n(z)$$

★ effective action

Inserting the mode exp. into the D8-brane action

$$S_{\text{D8}} \simeq S_{\text{D8}}^{\text{DBI}} + S_{\text{D8}}^{\text{CS}}$$

we obtain the effective action for the mesons written in terms of π (or ξ_{\pm}), $B_{\mu}^{(n)}$ and $A_{\pm\mu}$.

- Using the $A_z = 0$ gauge, the effective action of the pion field is obtained as

$$S_{\text{D8}}^{\text{DBI}} \simeq \int d^4x \left[\frac{f_{\pi}^2}{4} \text{Tr}(U^{-1} \partial_{\mu} U)^2 + \frac{1}{32e_S^2} \text{Tr}[U^{-1} \partial_{\mu} U, U^{-1} \partial_{\nu} U]^2 \right] + \dots$$
$$f_{\pi}^2 = \frac{4\kappa}{\pi} M_{\text{KK}}^2 \quad e_S^{-2} \simeq 2.51 \cdot \kappa \quad \left(\kappa \equiv \frac{\lambda N_c}{108\pi^3} \right)$$

This is the **Skyrme model** action.

The coefficients are consistent with the experimental data, if we set $\kappa \sim 0.007$, $M_{\text{KK}} \sim 1$ GeV

★ Baryon

- Skyrme proposed [Skyrme 1961]

Baryon \simeq Soliton in Skyrme model (Skyrmion)

- Baryons in the AdS/CFT context is constructed as wrapped D-branes. [Witten 1998]

In our case,

Baryon \simeq D4-brane wrapped on S^4

- In our case, a Skymion can be lifted to an **instanton** in the 5 dim YM theory, and the instanton on the D8 is equivalent the wrapped D4.

∴ Skymion \simeq instanton on D8 \simeq Wrapped D4



★ KSRF relation

- Working in the $A_z \simeq \pi$ gauge, the 3 pt coupling

$$S_{\text{D8}}^{\text{DBI}} \sim \int dx^4 \left[\cdots + 2g_{\rho\pi\pi} \text{Tr}(\rho_\mu [\pi, \partial^\mu \pi]) + \cdots \right] \quad (\rho_\mu \equiv B_\mu^{(1)})$$

is calculated as

$$g_{\rho\pi\pi} \simeq 0.415 \cdot \kappa^{-1/2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{2g_{\rho\pi\pi}^2 f_\pi^2}{m_\rho^2} &\simeq 0.654 \quad (\text{our model}) \\ &\simeq 1.02 \quad (\text{experiment}) \\ &\simeq 1 \quad (\text{KSRF}) \quad [\text{Kawarabayashi-Suzuki 1966}] \\ &\quad [\text{Riazuddin-Fayyazddin 1966}] \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Note:} \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2g_{\rho^n\pi\pi}^2 f_\pi^2}{m_{\rho^n}^2} = \frac{2}{3} \quad \left(\rho_\mu^n \equiv B_\mu^{(2n-1)} \right)$$

[cf) Da Rold-Pomarol 2005]

★ including photon

- ele-mag gauge field A_μ^{em} is introduced by setting

$$\mathcal{V}_\mu \equiv \frac{1}{2}(A_{+\mu} + A_{-\mu}) = e Q A_\mu^{\text{em}} \quad Q = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & \\ & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

charge matrix
for $N_f = 2$

- We obtain

$$S_{\text{D8}}^{\text{DBI}} \sim \int dx^4 \left[\cdots + 2g_{\rho\pi\pi} \text{Tr}(\rho_\mu [\pi, \partial^\mu \pi]) - 2g_\rho \text{Tr}(\rho_\mu \mathcal{V}^\mu) + \cdots \right]$$

with $g_\rho \simeq 2.11 \cdot \kappa^{1/2} M_{\text{KK}}^2$

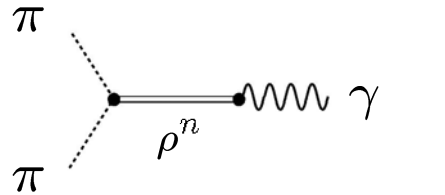
$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{g_\rho g_{\rho\pi\pi}}{m_\rho^2} &\simeq 1.31 && \text{(our model)} \\ &\simeq 1.20 && \text{(experiment)} \end{aligned}$$

Note: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{g_{\rho^n} g_{\rho^n \pi\pi}}{m_{\rho^n}^2} = 1$

[cf) Son-Stephanov 2003]

★ pion form factor

- pion form factor is computed as



A Feynman diagram showing two incoming pion lines (dashed) meeting at a vertex. From this vertex, a solid line labeled ρ^n extends to the right, where it meets another vertex. From this second vertex, a wavy line labeled γ extends to the right. An orange arrow points from this diagram to the equation on the right.

$$F_\pi(k^2) = \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{g_{\rho^n} g_{\rho^n \pi \pi}}{k^2 + m_{\rho^n}^2}$$


“vector meson dominance”

- charge radius

[Gell-Mann -Zachariasen 1961]

[Sakurai 1969]

$$F_\pi(k^2) \simeq 1 - \frac{1}{6} \langle r^2 \rangle^{\pi^\pm} k^2 + \dots$$


$$\langle r^2 \rangle^{\pi^\pm} = 6 \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{g_{\rho^n} g_{\rho^n \pi \pi}}{m_{\rho^n}^4} \simeq 11.0 M_{\text{KK}}^{-2}$$

If we fix M_{KK} by fitting the ρ meson mass, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \langle r^2 \rangle^{\pi^\pm} &\simeq (0.690 \text{ fm})^2 && \text{(our model)} \\ &\simeq (0.672 \text{ fm})^2 && \text{(experiment)} \end{aligned}$$

★ WZW term

- We can calculate the intrinsic parity violating interactions from the CS-term.

Working in the $A_z = 0$ gauge, we obtain

$$S_{D8}^{CS} \simeq -\frac{N_c}{48\pi^2} \int_4 Z - \frac{N_c}{240\pi^2} \int_5 \text{Tr}(g dg^{-1})^5 + \mathcal{O}(B^{(n)})$$

$$\begin{aligned} Z = & \text{Tr}[(A_- dA_- + dA_- A_- + A_-^3)(U^{-1} A_+ U + U^{-1} dU) - \text{p.c.}] \\ & + \text{Tr}[dA_- dU^{-1} A_+ U - \text{p.c.}] + \text{Tr}[A_- (dU^{-1} U)^3 - \text{p.c.}] \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}[(A_- dU^{-1} U)^2 - \text{p.c.}] + \text{Tr}[U A_- U^{-1} A_+ dU dU^{-1} - \text{p.c.}] \\ & - \text{Tr}[A_- dU^{-1} U A_- U^{-1} A_+ U - \text{p.c.}] + \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}[(A_- U^{-1} A_+ U)^2] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_+ &\leftrightarrow A_-, \\ U &\leftrightarrow U^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

➡ reproduces the well-known formula. [Witten 1983]

★ including vector mesons in WZW term

Working in the $A_z \simeq \pi$ gauge, we obtain

$$S_{\text{D8}}^{\text{CS}} \simeq \frac{N_c}{4\pi^2 f_\pi^2} \int_4 \text{Tr} \left[\pi dB^{(n)} dB^{(m)} c_{nm} + \mathcal{O} \left((B_\mu^{(n)})^3 \right), \right]$$

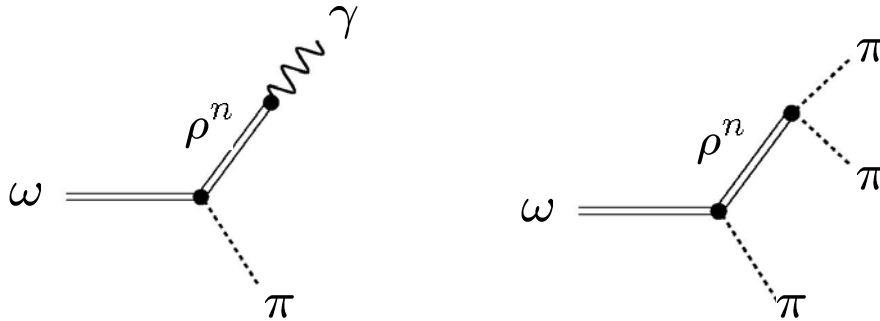
with
$$c_{nm} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int dz K^{-1} \psi_n \psi_m$$

Moreover, one can show

- All the terms including A_\pm are cancelled.
(complete vector meson dominance)
- Terms with more than one pion field vanish.

★ $\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma$ and $\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^+ \pi^-$

The relevant diagrams for these decay are



Exactly the same as the GSW model !

[Gell-Mann –Sharp–Wagner 1962]

● Furthermore, we find

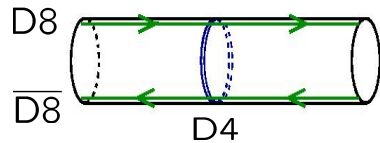
$$\Gamma(\omega \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma) = \frac{N_c^2}{3} \frac{\alpha}{64\pi^4 f_\pi^2} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{c_{1,2n-1} g_{\rho^n}}{m_{\rho^n}^2} \right)^2 |\mathbf{p}_\pi|^3 = \frac{N_c^2}{3} \frac{\alpha}{64\pi^4 f_\pi^2} g_{\rho\pi\pi}^2 |\mathbf{p}_\pi|^3$$

➡ reproduces the proposal given by Fujiwara et al !

[Fujiwara–Kugo–Terao–Uehara–Yamawaki 1985]

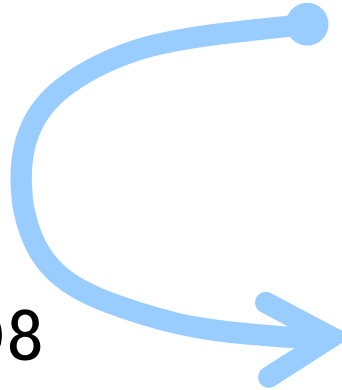
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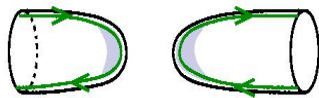


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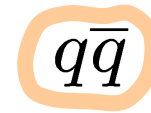
$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4g^2} \text{Tr} F_{\mu\nu}^2 + i\bar{\psi}_i \not{D} \psi^i$$



Sugra + probe D8



Hadron physics



π, ρ, a_1, \dots



p, n, \dots

$$S_{\text{D8}} \sim \kappa \int d^4x dz \text{Tr} \left(\frac{1}{2} K^{-1/3} F_{\mu\nu}^2 + K F_{\mu z}^2 \right) + \frac{N_c}{24\pi^2} \int_5 \omega_5(A)$$