

## Problem 1

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Take the bidoublet

$$\Phi = (\tilde{\varphi} \quad \varphi) \quad (1)$$

with

$$\varphi = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi^+ \\ \varphi \end{pmatrix} \quad (2)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\varphi} &= i\sigma_2 \varphi^* = i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varphi^- \\ \varphi^0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varphi^- \\ \varphi^0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} (\varphi^0)^* \\ -\varphi^- \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

Thus, explicit form of  $\Phi$  is

$$\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} (\varphi^0)^* & \varphi^+ \\ -\varphi^- & \varphi^0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4)$$

(i) Take (4) & find its hermitian conjugate  $\bar{\Phi}^+$

$$\bar{\Phi}^+ = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi^0 & -\varphi^+ \\ \varphi^- & (\varphi^0)^* \end{pmatrix} \quad (5)$$

From (4), (5) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Tr}(\bar{\Phi}^+ \Phi) &= \text{Tr} \left[ \begin{pmatrix} \varphi^0 & -\varphi^+ \\ \varphi^- & (\varphi^0)^* \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} (\varphi^0)^* & \varphi^+ \\ -\varphi^- & \varphi^0 \end{pmatrix} \right] \\ &= 2(|\varphi^0|^2 + |\varphi^+|^2) \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

At the same time

$$\varphi^+ \varphi = |\varphi^0|^2 + |\varphi^+|^2 \quad (7)$$

therefore

$$\text{Tr}(\bar{\Phi}^+ \Phi) = \frac{1}{2} \varphi^+ \varphi \quad (8)$$

(ii) we can write (8) in terms of components say  $f_i, i=1, \dots, 4$ .

Then

$$\text{Tr}(\Phi^\dagger \Phi) = \sum_i f_i^2 \rightarrow \text{SO}(4) \text{ symmetry. (9)}$$

since  $\text{SO}(4) \cong \text{SU}(2) \times \text{SU}(2)$ , we have

$$\Phi \rightarrow \Phi' = U_1 \Phi U_2^\dagger \quad (10)$$

let's check that, indeed, the trace is invariant wrt (10):

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Tr}(\Phi^\dagger \Phi) &\rightarrow \text{Tr}(\Phi'^\dagger \Phi') = \text{Tr}[U_2 \Phi^\dagger U_1^\dagger U_1 \Phi U_2^\dagger] \\ &= \text{Tr}(\Phi^\dagger \Phi) \quad \textcircled{ii} \end{aligned}$$

(iii) = 4  $\downarrow$  cyclic property.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii)} \quad \det \Phi &\rightarrow \det \Phi' = \det U_1 \Phi U_2^\dagger \\ &= \det U_1 \det \Phi \det U_2^\dagger \\ &= \det \Phi \quad \textcircled{iii} \quad (12) \end{aligned}$$

(iv) we have at our disposal the following invariants:

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$$\text{Tr}(\bar{\Phi}^{\dagger}\Phi), \quad \det \Phi, \quad \det \Phi^{\dagger}, \quad \text{Tr}(\bar{\Phi}^{\dagger}\Phi\Phi^{\dagger}\Phi)$$

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h.c. of  $\det \Phi$

⊗ HOWEVER  $\det \Phi$  &  $\text{Tr}(\bar{\Phi}^{\dagger}\Phi)$  are not independent:

$$\det \Phi = \det \begin{pmatrix} |\varphi^0|^* & \varphi^+ \\ -\varphi^- & \varphi^0 \end{pmatrix} = |\varphi^0|^2 + |\varphi^+|^2 \quad (13)$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(\Phi^{\dagger}\Phi)$$

conclusion: we don't need to include  $\det \Phi$ ,  $\det \Phi^{\dagger}$  in the potential.

⊗ What about  $\text{tr}(\Phi^{\dagger}\Phi\Phi^{\dagger}\Phi)$ ?

Certainly it is invariant. BUT, we can explicitly see that

$$\text{Tr}(\bar{\Phi}^{\dagger}\Phi\Phi^{\dagger}\Phi) = 2(|\varphi^0|^2 + |\varphi^+|^2)^2$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(\Phi^{\dagger}\Phi)^2 \quad (14)$$

Thus, the most general potential reads 5/17

$$V(\Phi) = m^2 \text{Tr}(\bar{\Phi}^{\dagger} \Phi) + \lambda \text{Tr}(\bar{\Phi}^{\dagger} \Phi)^2, \quad (15)$$

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## Problem 2

Take now

$$\bar{\Phi} = (\tilde{\varphi}_1 \quad \varphi_2), \quad (1)$$

with

$$\varphi_i = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_i^+ \\ \varphi_i^0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad i=1,2, \quad (2)$$

as before

$$\tilde{\varphi}_i = i\sigma_2 \varphi_i^{\dagger} = \begin{pmatrix} (\varphi_i^0)^* \\ -\varphi_i^- \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3)$$

therefore

$$\bar{\Phi} = \begin{pmatrix} (\varphi_1^0)^* & \varphi_2^+ \\ -\varphi_1^- & \varphi_2^0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (4)$$

and

$$\underline{\Phi}^+ = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1^0 & -\varphi_1^+ \\ \varphi_2^- & (\varphi_2^0)^* \end{pmatrix}. \quad (5)$$

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(i) From (4) & (5), we get

$$\text{Tr}(\underline{\Phi}^+ \underline{\Phi}) = |\varphi_1^0|^2 + |\varphi_1^+|^2 + |\varphi_2^0|^2 + |\varphi_2^+|^2, \quad (6)$$

which is manifestly  $SO(4)$ -invariant.

(ii) as before, let's write in terms of components the above  $f_i, i=1, \dots, 8$ .

It becomes clear that

$$\text{Tr}(\underline{\Phi}^+ \underline{\Phi}) = \sum_{i=1}^8 f_i^2, \quad (7)$$

meaning that it is  $SO(8)$ -invariant.

(iii)<sup>(iv)</sup> we have the following possibilities:

$$\text{Tr}(\underline{\Phi}^+ \underline{\Phi}), \text{Tr}(\underline{\Phi}^+ \underline{\Phi} \underline{\Phi}^+ \underline{\Phi}), \det \underline{\Phi}, \det \underline{\Phi}^{\dagger(3)}$$

let's check what we get:

$$\otimes \text{Tr}(\underline{\Phi}^+ \underline{\Phi} \underline{\Phi}^+ \underline{\Phi}) \neq \text{Tr}(\underline{\Phi}^+ \underline{\Phi})^2, \quad (8)$$

actually it also depends on  $\det \underline{\Phi}$ .

Thus,

$$V(\Phi) = m_1^2 \text{Tr}(\Phi^\dagger \Phi) + m_2^2 (\det \Phi + \text{h.c.}) \quad (9)$$

$$+ \lambda_1 \text{Tr}^2(\Phi^\dagger \Phi) + \lambda_2 \text{Tr} \Phi^\dagger \Phi (\det \Phi + \text{h.c.})$$

(v) Define

$$\tilde{\Phi} = i\sigma_2 \Phi^* i\sigma_2 \quad (10)$$

Then

$$\tilde{\Phi} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1^0 & \varphi_2^- \\ -\varphi_1^+ & (\varphi_2^0)^* \end{pmatrix}^* \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -\varphi_1^+ & (\varphi_2^0)^* \\ -\varphi_1^0 & -\varphi_2^- \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (11)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -(\varphi_2^0)^* & -\varphi_1^+ \\ \varphi_2^- & -\varphi_1^0 \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{(3)}{=} -(\tilde{\varphi}_2 \ \varphi_1)$$

$$(vi) \quad \Phi^\dagger \Phi + \tilde{\Phi}^\dagger \tilde{\Phi} = \begin{pmatrix} |\varphi_1^0|^2 + |\varphi_1^+|^2 + |\varphi_2^0|^2 + |\varphi_2^-|^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (12)$$

manifestly invariant under  $SU(2) \times SU(2)$ .

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$$(vii) \text{Tr}(\Phi^+ \tilde{\Phi}) = -2(\varphi_2^0(\varphi_2^0)^* + \varphi_1^+(\varphi_2^+)^*) \quad (13)$$

comparing with

$$\det \Phi^+ = \varphi_1^0(\varphi_2^0)^* + \varphi_1^+(\varphi_2^+)^* \quad , \quad (14)$$

we obtain

$$\text{Tr}(\Phi^+ \tilde{\Phi}) = -2 \det \Phi^+ \quad . \quad (15)$$

(viii) We have

$$\text{Tr}(\Phi^+ \Phi), \text{Tr} \tilde{\Phi}^+ \Phi + \text{h.c.}, \dots$$


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### Problem 3

Take

$$V = -\frac{\mu^2}{2}(\varphi_L^2 + \varphi_R^2) + \frac{\lambda}{4}(\varphi_L^4 + \varphi_R^4) + \frac{\lambda'}{2}\varphi_L^2\varphi_R^2, \quad (1)$$

$$\mu, \lambda, \lambda' > 0.$$

The extrema of  $V$  are determined by

$$\left. \frac{\partial V}{\partial \varphi_L} \right|_{\substack{\varphi_L = \langle \varphi_L \rangle \\ \varphi_R = \langle \varphi_R \rangle}} = \left. \frac{\partial V}{\partial \varphi_R} \right|_{\substack{\varphi_L = \langle \varphi_L \rangle \\ \varphi_R = \langle \varphi_R \rangle}} = 0. \quad (2)$$



Explicitly, from (2) we get:

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$$\langle \phi_L \rangle (-\mu^2 + \lambda \langle \phi_L \rangle^2 + \lambda' \langle \phi_R \rangle^2) = 0, \quad (3)$$

$$\langle \phi_R \rangle (-\mu^2 + \lambda \langle \phi_R \rangle^2 + \lambda' \langle \phi_L \rangle^2) = 0. \quad (4)$$

from (3) & (4), we immediately see the saddles of (1):

$$(i) \quad \langle \phi_L \rangle = 0, \quad \langle \phi_R \rangle = 0, \quad (5)$$

$$(ii) \quad \langle \phi_L \rangle = 0, \quad \langle \phi_R \rangle^2 = \frac{\mu^2}{\lambda} \neq 0, \quad (6)$$

$$(iii) \quad \langle \phi_L \rangle^2 = \frac{\mu^2}{\lambda} \neq 0, \quad \langle \phi_R \rangle = 0, \quad (7)$$

$$(iv) \quad \langle \phi_L \rangle^2 = \langle \phi_R \rangle^2 = \frac{\mu^2}{\lambda + \lambda'} \neq 0. \quad (8)$$

whether (i) - (iv) correspond to minima or maxima is found by inspecting the mass matrix (2<sup>nd</sup> derivatives of  $V$ )

$$\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial \phi_i \partial \phi_j} = \begin{pmatrix} -\mu^2 + 3\lambda \langle \phi_L \rangle^2 + \lambda' \langle \phi_R \rangle^2 & 2\lambda' \langle \phi_L \rangle \langle \phi_R \rangle \\ 2\lambda' \langle \phi_L \rangle \langle \phi_R \rangle & -\mu^2 + 3\lambda \langle \phi_R \rangle^2 + \lambda' \langle \phi_L \rangle^2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (9)$$

evaluated on (i) - (iv).

(i) Take (5) & plug into (9):

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$$\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial \varphi_i \partial \varphi_j} (i) = -\mu^2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} < 0, \quad (10)$$

meaning that this is maximum.

(ii) Take (6) & plug into (9):

$$\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial \varphi_i \partial \varphi_j} (ii) = \mu^2 \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\lambda' - \lambda}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (11)$$

meaning that (ii) is a minimum  
for

$$\lambda' > \lambda. \quad (12)$$

(iii) same as (ii), obviously.

(iv) Take (8) & plug into (9):

$$\frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial \varphi_i \partial \varphi_j} (iv) = \frac{2\mu^2}{\lambda + \lambda'} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & \lambda' \\ \lambda' & \lambda \end{pmatrix}. \quad (13)$$

The eigenvalues are

$$m_1^2 = 2\mu^2, \quad m_2^2 = 2\mu^2 \frac{\lambda - \lambda'}{\lambda + \lambda'}, \quad (14)$$

so requiring  $m_1^2 > 0, m_2^2 > 0$ , we get  $\frac{11}{17}$

$$\lambda > \lambda', \quad (15)$$

for (10) to be a minimum.

⊕ What happens for  $\lambda = \lambda'$ ?

$$V = -\frac{\mu^2}{2}(\varphi_L^2 + \varphi_R^2) + \frac{\lambda}{4}(\varphi_L^4 + \varphi_R^4 + 2\varphi_L\varphi_R)$$

$$= -\frac{\mu^2}{2}(\varphi_L^2 + \varphi_R^2) + \frac{\lambda}{4}(\varphi_L^2 + \varphi_R^2)^2. \quad (16)$$

$$= -\mu^2 X^\dagger X + \lambda(X^\dagger X)^2 \rightarrow U(1) \text{ symmetry.}$$

with

$$X = \varphi_L + i\varphi_R. \quad (17)$$

### Problem 4

① Up to dimension four, there are the following invariants:

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$$(a) \text{Tr}(\Delta^\dagger \Delta) \quad , \quad (1)$$

$$(b) \text{Tr}^2(\Delta^\dagger \Delta) \quad , \quad (2)$$

$$(c) \text{Tr}(\Delta^2) \text{Tr}(\Delta^\dagger)^2 \quad , \quad (3)$$

$$(d) \text{Tr}(\Delta^\dagger \Delta \Delta^\dagger \Delta) \quad . \quad (4)$$

[Why do I not include  $\det \Delta, \det \Delta^\dagger$  ?]

So, (d) is not independent:

$$\text{Tr}(\Delta^\dagger \Delta \Delta^\dagger \Delta) = \text{Tr}^2(\Delta^\dagger \Delta) - \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(\Delta^2) \text{Tr}(\Delta^\dagger)^2 \quad (5)$$

Therefore

$$V = -\mu^2 \text{Tr}(\Delta^\dagger \Delta) + \lambda_1 \text{Tr}^2(\Delta^\dagger \Delta) + \lambda_2 \text{Tr} \Delta^2 \text{Tr} \Delta^\dagger{}^2 \quad (6)$$

② Take

$$\Delta = \Delta_1 + i\Delta_2, \quad (7)$$

with

$$\Delta_1, \Delta_2 = \text{Hermitian}, \text{ i.e. } \Delta_i^\dagger = \Delta_i \quad (8)$$

$$\text{Now } \Delta \rightarrow U \Delta U^\dagger = U \Delta_1 U^\dagger + i U \Delta_2 U^\dagger. \quad (9)$$

Choose  $U$  such that  $\Delta_1$  becomes diagonal & real, i.e. (13/17)

$$\Delta_1 = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & -a \end{pmatrix} = a\sigma_3, \quad a \in \mathbb{R}, \quad (10)$$

and  $\sigma_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ . (11)

Thus,

$$\Delta = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & -a \end{pmatrix} + iU\Delta_2U^\dagger. \quad (12)$$

Since  $U$  diagonalized  $\Delta_1$ , it cannot diagonalize  $\Delta_2$ :

$$\Delta = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & -a \end{pmatrix} + i \begin{pmatrix} b & r\bar{e}^{i\phi} \\ re^{i\phi} & -b \end{pmatrix}, \quad (13)$$

with  $b, r, \phi \in \mathbb{R}$ . Since, however,

$\Delta_1 \propto \sigma_3$ , we can rotate both terms by

$$U_3 = \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\theta} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-i\theta} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (14)$$

which will only affect the 2nd <sup>14/17</sup>  
term:

$$\Delta = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & -a \end{pmatrix} + i \begin{pmatrix} b & r e^{-i(\varphi-2\theta)} \\ r e^{i(\varphi-2\theta)} & -b \end{pmatrix} \quad (15)$$

meaning that for  $\theta = \frac{\varphi}{2}$ , we have

$$\Delta = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 \\ 0 & -a \end{pmatrix} + i \begin{pmatrix} b & r \\ r & -b \end{pmatrix}. \quad (16)$$

③ Let's take  $\Delta$  from (16)

$$\Delta = \begin{pmatrix} z & ir \\ ir & -z \end{pmatrix}, \quad (17)$$

with

$$z = a + ib \quad (18)$$

Plug (17) into the potential:

$$V = -2\mu^2 (|z|^2 + r^2) + 4\lambda_1 (|z|^2 + r^2)^2 + 4\lambda_2 (z^2 - r^2)(z^*{}^2 - r^2). \quad (18)$$

For  $\lambda_2 > 0$ , we find

$$z = r \quad , \quad (19)$$

meaning that

$$\Delta = r \begin{pmatrix} 1 & i \\ i & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad . \quad (20)$$

④ The matrix is very easy to find by taking

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -b^* & a^* \end{pmatrix} \quad , \quad (21)$$

and plugging into

$$U \langle \Delta \rangle U^\dagger \quad . \quad (22)$$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad Q = T_3 + \frac{B-L}{2} \quad . \quad (21)$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} Q \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \nu & 0 \end{pmatrix} &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sigma_3, \frac{\nu}{2} (\sigma_1 - i\sigma_2) \right] + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \nu & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \nu \left( i\sigma_2 - \sigma_1 + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right) = 0 \quad . \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

⑥ Starting from

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$$D_\mu \langle \Delta \rangle = -ig \bar{B}_\mu \langle \Delta \rangle - ig A_\mu^R [T_R, \langle \Delta \rangle], \quad (23)$$

we easily find

$$\text{Tr} (D_\mu \langle \Delta \rangle^\dagger D_\mu \langle \Delta \rangle) = g^2 v^2 W_R^+ W_R^- + (g^2 + \bar{g}^2) v^2 Z_R^2, \quad (24)$$

with

$$Z_\mu^R = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g^2 + \bar{g}^2}} (g A_\mu^{3R} - \bar{g} \bar{B}_\mu). \quad (25)$$

Introducing

$$\sin \theta_R = \frac{\bar{g}}{\sqrt{g^2 + \bar{g}^2}}, \quad \cos \theta_R = \frac{g}{\sqrt{g^2 + \bar{g}^2}}, \quad (26)$$

eq. (25) yields

$$Z_\mu^R = \cos \theta_R A_\mu^{3R} - \sin \theta_R \bar{B}_\mu. \quad (27)$$

$$\textcircled{7} \quad \frac{m_{Z_R}^2}{m_{W_R}^2} = 2 \frac{g^2 + \bar{g}^2}{g^2} = 2 \left( 1 + \frac{\bar{g}^2}{g^2} \right). \quad (28)$$

since



$$\frac{1}{g'^2} = \frac{1}{g^2} + \frac{1}{\bar{g}^2}, \quad (29)$$

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we get

$$\frac{g^2}{\bar{g}^2} = \frac{g^2}{g'^2} - 1 = \frac{2}{\tan^2 \theta_w} - 1, \quad (30)$$

meaning that

$$\frac{m_{Z_p}^2}{m_{W_p}^2} = \frac{2}{1 - \tan^2 \theta_w}. \quad (31)$$

⑧ Take  $\lambda_2 < 0$ , meaning that

$$\langle \Delta \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & ir \\ ir & 0 \end{pmatrix} = ir \sigma_1, \quad (32)$$

thus

$$[\sigma_1, \langle \Delta \rangle] = 0. \quad (33)$$

