

Noether's theorem for Weyl Fermions

Lagrangian: $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}[\chi, \partial_\mu \chi, \chi^\dagger, \partial_\mu \chi^\dagger]$

present in symmetrized Lagrangian.

Transformation law of χ : $\chi \rightarrow \chi + \delta\chi$, $\chi^\dagger \rightarrow \chi^\dagger + \delta\chi^\dagger$

Then, the Lagrangian transforms: $\mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L} + \delta\mathcal{L}$

where

$$\delta\mathcal{L} = \frac{\partial\mathcal{L}}{\partial\chi_\alpha} \delta\chi_\alpha + \frac{\partial\mathcal{L}}{\partial(\partial_\mu\chi_\alpha)} \delta(\partial_\mu\chi_\alpha) + \delta\chi^\dagger_\alpha \frac{\partial\mathcal{L}}{\partial\chi^\dagger_\alpha} + \delta(\partial_\mu\chi^\dagger_\alpha) \frac{\partial\mathcal{L}}{\partial(\partial_\mu\chi^\dagger_\alpha)} \quad (*)$$

Equations of Motion: $\frac{\partial\mathcal{L}}{\partial\chi_\alpha} = \partial_\mu \frac{\partial\mathcal{L}}{\partial(\partial_\mu\chi_\alpha)}$ and $\frac{\partial\mathcal{L}}{\partial\chi^\dagger_\alpha} = \partial_\mu \frac{\partial\mathcal{L}}{\partial(\partial_\mu\chi^\dagger_\alpha)}$ (vanishes for unsymmetrized Lagr.)

abbr: $\pi^{\alpha\mu}$ abbr: $\pi^{\dagger\alpha\mu}$

then,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta\mathcal{L} &= (\partial_\mu \pi^{\alpha\mu}) \delta\chi_\alpha + \pi^{\alpha\mu} (\partial_\mu \delta\chi_\alpha) + \delta\chi^\dagger_\alpha (\partial_\mu \pi^{\dagger\alpha\mu}) + (\partial_\mu \delta\chi^\dagger_\alpha) \pi^{\dagger\alpha\mu} \\ &= \partial_\mu \left[\pi^{\alpha\mu} \delta\chi_\alpha + \underbrace{\delta\chi^\dagger_\alpha \pi^{\dagger\alpha\mu}}_{\text{vanishes for unsymmetrized Lagrangian}} \right] \end{aligned}$$

If Lagrangian is invariant (up to a divergence) under the transformation,

$$\delta\mathcal{L} = \partial_\mu V^\mu$$

Then, $0 = \partial_\mu J^\mu - \partial_\mu V^\mu = \partial_\mu \underbrace{(J^\mu - V^\mu)}_{\text{Noether current}}$

The associated charge is:

$$Q = \int d^3x J^0(\vec{x}, t) \quad \text{where} \quad \frac{dQ}{dt} = 0.$$