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# Conformal Anomalies in Noncommutative Gauge Theories

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# 1 Introduction

◇ Non-commutative (NC) gauge theories

- The usual product is replaced with the (Groenewold-)Moyal star product

$$f(x) * g(x) = \exp\left(\frac{i}{2}\theta^{\mu\nu}\partial_\mu^x\partial_\nu^y\right) f(x)g(y) \Big|_{x=y} \quad [x^\mu, x^\nu]_* = i\theta^{\mu\nu}$$

Noncommutativity (Non-locality)

⇒ It might improve the renormalizability properties of a field theory at short distances.

- UV/IR mixing [Minwalla-Ramseadan-Seiberg]
- One-loop renormalizable [Bonora-Salizzoni]
- Unitarity [Gomis-Mehen]
- Inherent  $C$  and  $CP$  violation [Jabbari]

⇒ It smooths out any singularities in classical solutions of non-commutative field theory.

- Existence of non-singular instanton, monopole and vortex solutions [Nekrasov, Schwarz, Gross, Bak et al.]
- Nontrivial solitons  $\phi * \phi = \phi$  [Gopakumar-Minwalla-Strominger]
- Topology change by gauge transformations — Solution generating technique [Harvey]

★ Noncommutativity brings some nontrivial consequences.

- ◇ Symmetries in non-commutative gauge theories
- Classical level —
- (Star-) Axial symmetry
- (Star-) Chiral gauge symmetry
- ...

— Quantum level — Anomalies occur in NC gauge theories

- Axial anomaly — F. Ardalan & N. Sadooghi
- Naive deformation of the ordinary axial anomalies
- Chiral gauge anomaly — J. M. Gracia-Bondia & C. P. Martin
- More restrictive conditions for anomaly cancellation
- Anomalies and Schwinger terms — J. Mickelsson et al.

A “local” anomaly formula expressing the BRST cocycles

◇ Dilatation (Weyl) symmetry

— Classical level — A. Gerhold et al

Weyl symmetry is broken in NC (massless)  $\phi^4$ -theory

$$\delta_W S_{(*)}[\phi] = -\delta_W \theta^{\mu\nu} \frac{\partial S_{(*)}[\phi]}{\partial \theta^{\mu\nu}} \neq 0$$

How is the conformal anomaly deformed in NC gauge theories ?

### The purpose of this talk

- Evaluation of the conformal anomaly in NC gauge theory by the path integral method (Fujikawa's method).
- Calculation of  $\beta$ -function from the conformal anomaly in NC gauge theory.

## § 2. Noncommutative gauge theories

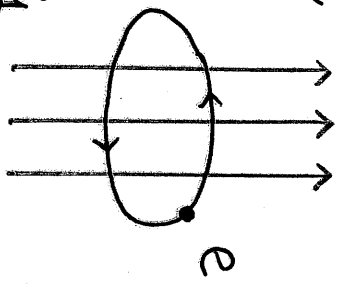
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Background fields and noncommutativity

1. The lowest Landau level

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{m}{2} (\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2) + eBx\dot{y}$$

Strong magnetic field  $\mathcal{L} \sim eBx\dot{y}$



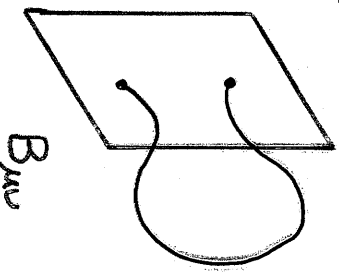
$$\Rightarrow P_y = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{y}} \simeq eBx \quad \text{constraint}$$

$$\Rightarrow [x, y] = -\frac{i\hbar}{eB} \neq 0 \quad \text{noncommutative}$$

The Lagrangian is expressed with the noncommutative coordinates.

2. Strings in background B-fields (Seiberg-Witten '99)

$$S = \frac{1}{4\pi\alpha'} \int dt d\alpha (g_{\mu\nu} \partial_\alpha X^\mu \partial^\alpha X^\nu - 2\pi i \alpha' \underbrace{B_{\mu\nu}}_{\text{constant B-field}} \epsilon^{ab} \partial_a X^\mu \partial_b X^\nu)$$



Constraint (at the end points)

$$G_{\mu\nu} (\partial_\alpha X^\nu - \Theta^{\nu\kappa} P_\kappa) \Big|_{\alpha=0, \pi} = 0$$

$$G_{\mu\nu} \equiv g_{\mu\nu} - (2\pi\alpha')^2 (B g^{-1} B)_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\Theta^{\mu\nu} \equiv -(2\pi\alpha')^2 \left( \frac{1}{g + 2\pi\alpha' B} B \frac{1}{g - 2\pi\alpha' B} \right)^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\Rightarrow [X^\mu(\tau, 0), X^\nu(\tau, 0)] = - [X^\mu(\tau, \pi), X^\nu(\tau, \pi)] = i\Theta^{\mu\nu} (\neq 0)$$

◎ The presence of the background field leads to noncommutativity

The propagator

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle X^\mu(\tau) X^\nu(\tau') \rangle \\ &= -\alpha' G^{\mu\nu} \ln(\tau - \tau')^2 + \frac{i}{2} \Theta^{\mu\nu} \epsilon(\tau - \tau') \end{aligned}$$

The product of (tachyon) vertex operator

$$\begin{aligned} & \exp(i p \cdot X)(\tau) \cdot \exp(i g \cdot X)(\tau') \\ & \alpha' \rightarrow 0 \\ & \sim \exp\left(-\frac{i}{2} \Theta^{\mu\nu} p_\mu g_\nu\right) \exp(i(p+g) \cdot X)(\tau') \\ &= \exp(i p \cdot X) * \exp(i g \cdot X) \end{aligned}$$

$$f(x) * g(x) \equiv \exp\left(\frac{i}{2} \Theta^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu^x \partial_\nu^y\right) f(x) g(y) \Big|_{x=y}$$

— Moyal star product —

The effective action is expressed in terms of the open string variables  $G_{\mu\nu}$  and  $\Theta_{\mu\nu}$ .

Effective action for gauge fields

$$\begin{aligned} S &= \frac{(\alpha')^{\frac{3-p}{2}}}{4(2\pi)^{p-2} G_s} \int d^{p+1}x \sqrt{G} G^{\mu\kappa} G^{\nu\lambda} \hat{F}_{\mu\nu} * \hat{F}_{\kappa\lambda} \\ \hat{F}_{\mu\nu} &= \partial_\mu \hat{A}_\nu - \partial_\nu \hat{A}_\mu - i(\hat{A}_\mu * \hat{A}_\nu - \hat{A}_\nu * \hat{A}_\mu) \end{aligned}$$

— Noncommutative gauge theory —

$\Theta^{\mu\nu}$  appears only in the Moyal star product.

## Moyal star product

$$[\hat{x}^1, \hat{x}^2] = i\theta \quad (D=2)$$

$$\hat{a} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\theta}} \hat{z} \quad \hat{a}^\dagger = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\theta}} \hat{\bar{z}} \quad \hat{z} \equiv \hat{x}^1 - i\hat{x}^2$$

$$[\hat{a}, \hat{a}^\dagger] = 1 \quad \text{creation-annihilation operator}$$

Fields on the noncommutative space  $\hat{\mathcal{O}}(\hat{x})$  are also operators.

Weyl ordering

$$\hat{\mathcal{O}}[f] \equiv \int \frac{d^2k}{(2\pi)^2} \tilde{f}(k) e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \hat{x}} \quad (\text{one to one corresponding})$$

$$\tilde{f}(k) = \int d^2x f(x) e^{-i\mathbf{k} \cdot x}$$

The product of two operators

$$\hat{\mathcal{O}}[f] \hat{\mathcal{O}}[g] \equiv \hat{\mathcal{O}}[f * g]$$

$$= \int \frac{d^2k}{(2\pi)^2} \int \frac{d^2l}{(2\pi)^2} \tilde{f}(k) \tilde{g}(l) e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \hat{x}} \cdot e^{i\mathbf{l} \cdot \hat{x}} \\ \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{=} e^{i(\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{l}) \cdot \hat{x}} e^{-\frac{i}{2}\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{l} \theta^{uv}}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow f * g(x) = \exp\left(\frac{i}{2} \theta^{uv} \partial_u^x \partial_v^y\right) f(x) g(y) \Big|_{y \rightarrow x}$$

— Moyal star product —

\*-product is associative but noncommutative

Operator formalism



\*-product formalism

$$\hat{\mathcal{O}}[f] \hat{\mathcal{O}}[g] \neq \hat{\mathcal{O}}[g] \hat{\mathcal{O}}[f]$$



$$f * g \neq g * f$$



$$\int dx$$

# Non-planar Diagram

The product of the plane waves

$$e^{ip \cdot x} * e^{i8 \cdot x} = e^{-\frac{i}{2} p \cdot 8} e^{i(p+8) \cdot x}$$

Feynman rules

$$p \times 8 \equiv p_\alpha \theta^{\mu\nu} g_\nu = -8 \times p$$

Propagator  $-p \rightleftarrows p \quad \frac{1}{p^2 + m^2}$

vertex 
$$p_1 \rightleftarrows \begin{array}{l} \nearrow p_2 \\ \searrow p_3 \end{array} \quad \frac{g}{3!} \exp(-\frac{i}{2} \Sigma p_i \times p_j) \delta(\Sigma p_k)$$

The factor is not permutation symmetric but is only cyclically symmetric

⇒ The double line notation is useful

One loop self energy diagrams

Planar diagram 
$$\sim \int \frac{d^4 k}{k^2 + m^2}$$

non-planar diagram 
$$\sim \int \frac{d^4 k}{k^2 + m^2} e^{i k \cdot x \cdot p} \quad \Downarrow \text{cutoff}$$

$$\sim \Lambda_{\text{eff}}^2 - m^2 \ln \left( \frac{\Lambda_{\text{eff}}^2}{m^2} \right) + \dots$$

$$\Lambda_{\text{eff}}^2 \equiv \frac{1}{1/\Lambda^2 + p_0 \cdot p} \quad p_0 \cdot p \equiv p_\alpha \theta^{\mu\nu} \theta^{\nu\lambda} p_\nu g_{\lambda\alpha}$$

The non-planar diagrams are UV finite but exhibit IR singularity ⇒ UV/IR Mixing

Minwalla, Ramesonk & Seiberg (1999)

Noncommutative QED

$$S = \int d^4x \left[ -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^{(*)} * F^{\mu\nu} + i \bar{\psi} * \not{D}^{(*)} \psi - m \bar{\psi} * \psi \right]$$

$$\not{D}^{(*)} \psi = \gamma^\mu (\partial_\mu \psi - ig A_\mu * \psi)$$

$$F_{\mu\nu}^{(*)} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu - \underbrace{ig(A_\mu * A_\nu - A_\nu * A_\mu)}$$

\* - gauge symmetry

$$\delta\psi = ig \lambda * \psi \quad \delta A_\mu = \partial_\mu \lambda + ig [\lambda, A_\mu]^{(*)}$$

The action is invariant although the Lagrangian is not invariant.

$$\left( \text{Tr} \Leftrightarrow \int d^4x \right)$$

Feynman rules



$$D_{\mu\nu}(k) = -\frac{i g_{\mu\nu}}{k^2}$$

$$W_{\mu\nu\rho}(k_1, k_2, k_3) = -2g(2\pi)^4 \delta^4(k_1 + k_2 + k_3) \times \sin\left(\frac{i}{2} k_1^\alpha \theta_{\rho\alpha} k_2^\alpha\right) [g_{\nu\mu}(k_1 - k_2)_\nu + (\text{cyclic})]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sin\left(\frac{i}{2} k_1^\alpha \theta_{\rho\alpha} k_2^\alpha\right)$$

 $\beta$ -function

$$\beta_{\text{QED}} = \frac{g^3}{12\pi^2} n_f \quad \text{Ordinary QED}$$

$$\beta_{\text{NC-QED}} = -\frac{g^3}{(4\pi)^2} \left( \frac{22}{3} - \frac{4}{3} n_f \right) \quad \text{NC-QED}$$

— Nonabelian-like —



## Chern numbers in NC gauge theory

Axial anomaly (in ordinary gauge theory)

$$\partial_\mu J_5^\mu = \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} F_{\mu\nu}^a F_{\rho\sigma}^a \quad \text{SU}(2)$$

 $\Downarrow$  Integral

$$N_+ - N_- = \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \int d^4x \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} F_{\mu\nu}^a F_{\rho\sigma}^a \quad (\in \mathbb{Z})$$

The numbers of chiral states

Chern numbers

— Atiyah - Singer index theorem —

Solution generating technique Harvey (2000)

Field strength in operator formalism

$$F = \frac{1}{\theta} ([C, \bar{C}] + 1) \quad C = \alpha^\dagger + i\sqrt{\theta} A$$

The action

$$S = 2\pi \text{Pf}(\theta) \text{Tr}_M \left( -\frac{1}{4} FF \right)$$

is invariant under the "gauge" transformation.

$$C \rightarrow C' = S^n C \bar{S}^n \quad S = \sum |n+1\rangle \langle n| \quad \text{shift operator}$$

$$\bar{S}S = I \quad S\bar{S} = I - |0\rangle \langle 0| \quad \text{partial isometry}$$

1st Chern number ( $D=2$ )

$$C = \alpha^\dagger \quad (A=0)$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int F \rightarrow \theta \text{Tr}_M F = 0$$

$$C \rightarrow C' = S^n C \bar{S}^n$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int F \rightarrow \theta \text{Tr}_M \left( \frac{1}{\theta} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} |k\rangle \langle k| \right) = n \quad (n \neq 0)$$

The integer is connected with the trace of some kind of the projection operator.

Dilatation (Weyl) symmetry in NC gauge theory  
S.I. Kruglov (2001)

Dilatation (Weyl) transformation

$$\begin{pmatrix} x^\mu \rightarrow e^{-\varepsilon} x^\mu \\ \phi(x) \rightarrow e^{\varepsilon D} \phi(e^\varepsilon x) \end{pmatrix} \quad D: [\phi] = M^D$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{f}_D^\mu = x^\nu T_{\mu\nu} \quad \text{Dilatation current}$$

$T_{\mu\nu}$  (Symmetric) Energy-momentum tensor

Dilatation (Weyl) symmetry

$$\partial_\mu \dot{f}_D^\mu = 0 \Leftrightarrow T^\mu{}_\mu = 0$$

The energy-momentum tensor in (free) Maxwell theory

$$T_{\mu\nu} = -F_{\mu\alpha} F_\nu{}^\alpha + \frac{1}{4} \delta_{\mu\nu} F_{\alpha\beta} F^{\alpha\beta}$$

$$T^\mu{}_\mu = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Dilatation invariant}$$

Seiberg - Witten map up to the first order in  $\theta_{\mu\nu}$

$$\hat{A}_\mu = A_\mu - \frac{1}{2} \theta^{\alpha\beta} A_\alpha (\partial_\beta A_\mu + F_{\beta\mu})$$

NC Maxwell theory

$$\hat{T}^\mu{}_\mu = 2(\theta \cdot B)(E^2 - B^2) - 4(\theta \cdot E)(E \cdot B) \neq 0$$

$$\theta_i \equiv \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{ijk} \theta_{jk} \quad \theta_{i0} = 0$$

★ The classical dilatation (or Conformal) invariance is broken.

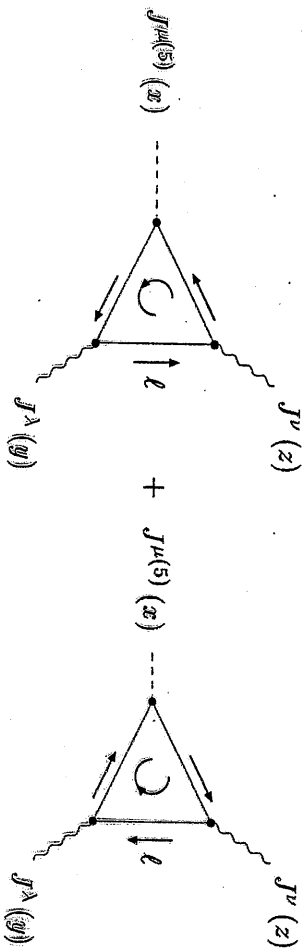
### 3 Anomalies in NC gauge theories

#### Axial anomaly in noncommutative QED

F. Ardalan & N. Sadooghi (2000)

◇ Axial current

$$\langle j_{(*)}^{\mu(5)}(x) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} d^4 y d^4 z \Gamma^{\mu\lambda\nu}(x, y, z) * A_\lambda(y) * A_\nu(z)$$



In massless fermions, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\mu} \Gamma^{\mu\lambda\nu}(x, y, z) \\ &= \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \int \frac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^4} e^{-i(p+q)\cdot x} e^{ip\cdot y} e^{iq\cdot z} [A^{\lambda\nu}(p, q, \theta) + B^{\lambda\nu}(p, q, \theta)] \\ & \quad A^{\lambda\nu} = -\frac{g^2}{2\pi} \cos\left(\frac{1}{2} p_\mu \theta^{\mu\nu} q_\nu\right) \varepsilon^{\lambda\nu\alpha\beta} p_\alpha q_\beta \\ & \quad B^{\lambda\nu} = -2ig^2 \sin\left(\frac{1}{2} p_\mu \theta^{\mu\nu} q_\nu\right) \\ & \quad \times \underbrace{\int \frac{d^D l}{(2\pi)^D} \left[ \text{Tr} \left( \frac{1}{l} \gamma^\lambda \gamma^5 \frac{1}{l+q} \gamma^\nu \right) - \text{Tr} \left( \frac{1}{l} \gamma^\lambda \gamma^5 \frac{1}{l-p} \gamma^\nu \right) \right]}_{=0} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \partial_\mu \langle j_{(*)}^{\mu(5)}(x) \rangle = \frac{g^2}{16\pi^2} \varepsilon^{\lambda\nu\alpha\beta} F_{\lambda\nu}^{(*)}(x) * F_{\alpha\beta}^{(*)}(x).$$

- The form of the axial anomaly in NC-QED is a naive deformation of the axial anomaly in ordinary QED.

- The gauge invariance is guaranteed by the integration.

## Path integral method (Fujikawa's method)

### ◇ Effective action

$$\exp(-\Gamma[A]) \equiv \int \mathcal{D}\psi \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \exp\left(-S_0^{(*)}\right) \quad S_0^{(*)} = \int d^4x \bar{\psi} * \mathcal{D}^{(*)} \psi$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta^{(5)} \Gamma[A] = \int \underbrace{\mathcal{D}\tilde{\psi} \mathcal{D}\bar{\tilde{\psi}}}_{J \mathcal{D}\psi \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} (J : \text{Jacobian})} \int d^4x \alpha(x) * \partial_{\mu} j_{(*)}^{\mu(5)}(x) \exp(-S_0^{(*)})$$

### ◇ Eigenfunctions of the Dirac operator

$$\mathcal{D}^{(*)} \varphi_n(x) = \lambda_n \varphi_n(x), \quad \sum_n \varphi_n^{\dagger}(x) * \varphi_n(y) = \delta^4(x-y)$$

### ◇ Jacobian

$$J = \exp \left[ \int d^4x \alpha(x) * \mathcal{A}^{(*)}(x) \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \mathcal{A}^{(*)}(x) &= 2 \sum_{\mu\nu} \gamma_{5\alpha\beta} (\varphi_{n\beta} * \varphi_{n\alpha}^{\dagger})(x) \\ &= 2 \text{Tr} \gamma_5 \cdot \delta(x-x) \quad (\text{Indeterminate form}) \end{aligned}$$

The axial anomaly is derived by the following regularization,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}^{(*)} &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} 2 \sum_n \gamma_{5\alpha\beta} \exp_* \left( -\epsilon \mathcal{D}^{(*)} * \mathcal{D}^{(*)} \right) * \varphi_{n\beta}(x) * \varphi_{n\alpha}^{\dagger}(x) \\ &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \text{Tr} \left[ \gamma_5 \right. \\ &\quad \left. \exp_* \left\{ -\epsilon \left( (ik_{\mu} + D_{\mu}^{(*)})^2 - \frac{i}{2} \sigma^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}^{(*)}(x) \right) \right\} * \underbrace{e^{-ik \cdot x} * e^{ik \cdot x}}_{=1} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} F_{\mu\nu}^{(*)}(x) * F_{\rho\sigma}^{(*)}(x). \end{aligned}$$

- It agrees with the result of perturbative analysis.
- The calculation is a little simple in the present method.

# Chiral gauge anomaly in NC gauge theory

C. P. Martin (2000) (2001)

## ◇ Effective action

$$\exp(-\Gamma[A]) \equiv \int \mathcal{D}\psi \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \exp\left(-S_0^{(*)}\right) \quad S_0^{(*)} = \int d^4x \bar{\psi} * i\mathcal{D}^{(*)} P_+ \psi$$

## ◇ Eigenfunctions of Hermitian operators

$$\begin{aligned} (i\mathcal{D}_+^{(*)})^\dagger (i\mathcal{D}_+^{(*)}) \varphi_n &= \lambda_n^2 \varphi_n, & (i\mathcal{D}_+^{(*)})(i\mathcal{D}_+^{(*)})^\dagger \phi_n &= \lambda_n^2 \phi_n \\ \sum_n \varphi_n^\dagger(x) * \varphi_n(y) &= \sum_n \phi_n^\dagger(x) * \phi_n(y) = \delta^4(x-y) \end{aligned}$$

## ◇ Chiral gauge anomaly (the covariant form)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A} &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int d^4x \alpha * \sum_n \left\{ P_+ e_* \left( -\epsilon (i\mathcal{D}_+^{(*)})^\dagger (i\mathcal{D}_+^{(*)}) \right) \varphi_n \right\} * \varphi_n^\dagger + \dots \\ &= \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \int d^4x \alpha^a * \text{Tr} T_a \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} F_{\mu\nu} * F_{\rho\sigma} \end{aligned}$$

- The form of the chiral gauge anomalies are also a naive deformation of the ordinary chiral gauge anomalies.
- The conditions for anomaly cancellation are restricted more due to the Moyal product.

$$\text{Tr} T_a T_b T_c = 0 \quad (\text{cf } \text{Tr} T_a \{T_b, T_c\} = 0)$$

## ◇ Anomaly and non-planar diagram

$$\begin{aligned} D_{\mu}^{(*)} \langle j_{(*)}^{\mu a} \rangle &= D_{\mu}^{(*)} (\langle j_{(*)}^{(+)\mu a} \rangle + \langle j_{(*)}^{(-)\mu a} \rangle) = 0 \\ \begin{pmatrix} j_{(*)}^{(+)\mu i} \\ j_{(*)}^{(-)\mu i} \end{pmatrix} &\equiv \begin{pmatrix} -i\psi^i_k \beta * \bar{\psi}^k_j \alpha (\gamma_\mu P_+)^{\alpha\beta} \\ -i\bar{\psi}^j_k \alpha * \psi^k_i \beta (\gamma_\mu P_+)^{\alpha\beta} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Adjoint repr.  $\simeq$  Fundamental repr.  $\times$  Anti-fundamental repr.

- Theories with adjoint chiral fermion are anomaly free.
- $\Rightarrow$  Non-planar diagrams do not contribute chiral gauge anomalies.

## Chiral Gauge Theory with Adjoint Chiral Fermion

C.P. Martin hep-th / 0008126

## The classical action

$$S = \int d^4x \operatorname{Tr} \bar{\Psi} * (i \not{\partial} \Psi + \gamma^\mu P_\pm [A_\mu \Psi] *)$$

## The chiral current

$$\dot{j}_\mu^a \equiv i \frac{\delta S[A]}{\delta A_{\mu,a}} = \dot{j}_\mu^{a(-)} + \dot{j}_\mu^{a(+)}$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} \dot{j}_\mu^{a(-)} = -i \operatorname{Tr} (\gamma_\beta * \bar{\Psi}_\alpha T_\alpha) (\gamma^\mu P_+)_{\alpha\beta} \\ \dot{j}_\mu^{a(+)} = -i \operatorname{Tr} (\bar{\Psi}_\alpha * \gamma_\beta T_\alpha) (\gamma^\mu P_+)_{\alpha\beta} \end{array} \right)$$

## The three-point functions

$$\begin{aligned} T_{\mu\nu\lambda} \Big|_{\text{planar}} &\equiv \langle \dot{j}_\mu^{(+)} \dot{j}_\nu^{(+)} \dot{j}_\lambda^{(+)} \rangle + \langle \dot{j}_\mu^{(-)} \dot{j}_\nu^{(-)} \dot{j}_\lambda^{(-)} \rangle \\ T_{\mu\nu\lambda} \Big|_{\text{non-planar}} &\equiv \langle \dot{j}_\mu^{(+)} \dot{j}_\nu^{(+)} \dot{j}_\lambda^{(-)} \rangle + \langle \dot{j}_\mu^{(+)} \dot{j}_\nu^{(-)} \dot{j}_\lambda^{(+)} \rangle \\ &\quad + \langle \dot{j}_\mu^{(-)} \dot{j}_\nu^{(+)} \dot{j}_\lambda^{(+)} \rangle + \langle \dot{j}_\mu^{(-)} \dot{j}_\nu^{(-)} \dot{j}_\lambda^{(+)} \rangle \\ &\quad + \langle \dot{j}_\mu^{(-)} \dot{j}_\nu^{(+)} \dot{j}_\lambda^{(-)} \rangle + \langle \dot{j}_\mu^{(+)} \dot{j}_\nu^{(-)} \dot{j}_\lambda^{(-)} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Non-planar contributions arise from fields in the adjoint representation. However, we can check that

$$P^\lambda T_{\mu\nu\lambda} (k_1, k_2, p) \Big|_{\text{planar}} = P^\lambda T_{\mu\nu\lambda} (k_1, k_2, p) \Big|_{\text{non-planar}} = 0$$

- ⊙ Adjoint repr.  $\simeq$  Fundamental repr. ⊗ Anti-fundamental repr.
- Theories with only adjoint chiral fermions are anomaly free !!

## 4 Conformal anomaly and $\beta$ function

- ◇ Dilatation (Weyl) transformation

$$\delta_{\alpha(x)}^W \int d^4x \mathcal{L} = \int d^4x \alpha(x) T^\mu{}_\mu(x)$$

$$T^{\mu\nu}(x) \equiv 2 \frac{\delta}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}(x)} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \mathcal{L} \quad \Big|_{g_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow \text{Minkowski metric}}$$

— Symmetric energy-momentum tensor —

$$T^\mu{}_\mu = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \text{Invariant under the Weyl transformation}$$

- ◇ Massless QED

$$T^\mu{}_\mu(x) (= m\bar{\psi}\psi) = 0$$

$$\Downarrow \quad [\text{quantum corrections}] \quad g \longrightarrow g + \alpha\beta(g)$$

$$\langle T^\mu{}_\mu(x) \rangle = \frac{\beta(g)}{2g^3} F_{\mu\nu}(x) F^{\mu\nu}(x) \neq 0 \quad (\beta(g) : \beta\text{-function})$$

- Weyl symmetry is broken by the quantum corrections.  
 $\Rightarrow$  Conformal (Weyl) anomaly

- The  $\beta$ -function can be evaluated from the conformal anomaly.

### Calculation of the conformal anomaly in ordinary QCD by the path integral method

Fujikawa (1980) (1993)

- ◇ Background field method

$$A_{\mu\nu} = B_{\mu\nu} + \alpha_{\mu\nu} \quad \begin{cases} \delta B_{\mu\nu} = 0 : \text{background field} \\ \delta \alpha_{\mu\nu} = D_{[\mu} [B] \lambda - i]_{\alpha_{\mu\nu}} \lambda ] : \text{fluctuating field} \end{cases}$$

- In order to define the functional integral, we perform the gauge fixing (in the 't Hooft–Feynman gauge).

- ◇ Generating function at the one loop level

$$\begin{aligned} \exp(-\Gamma[B]) &\equiv \int \mathcal{D}\psi \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \mathcal{D}a_\mu \mathcal{D}c \mathcal{D}\bar{c} \exp(-S[\psi, \bar{\psi}, a_\mu, c, \bar{c}]) \\ S &= \int d^4x \bar{\psi} i \not{D} \psi + \frac{1}{2g^2} \int d^4x \text{tr} \bar{c} D_\mu D^\mu c \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2g^2} \int d^4x \text{tr} \left\{ a_\mu D_\nu D^\nu a^\mu - 2i \underbrace{a^\mu [F_{\mu\nu}, a^\nu]}_{a^{\mu a} F_{\mu\nu}{}^c (-i f^{cab}) a^{\nu b}} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

- ◇ Weyl transformations

$$\begin{aligned} a_i(x) (\equiv \sqrt[4]{|g|} e_i^\mu a_\mu(x)) &\longrightarrow e^{-\alpha(x)} a_i(x) \\ c(x) (\equiv \sqrt[4]{|g|} c(x)) &\longrightarrow e^{-2\alpha(x)} c(x) \\ \psi(x) (\equiv \sqrt[4]{|g|} \psi(x)) &\longrightarrow e^{-\frac{1}{2}\alpha(x)} \psi(x) \\ &\Downarrow \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathcal{D}\psi \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \mathcal{D}a_\mu \mathcal{D}c \mathcal{D}\bar{c} \\ &\longrightarrow \exp \left( \int d^4x \alpha(x) \underbrace{\mathcal{A}_W}_{\text{Conformal anomaly}} \right) \mathcal{D}\psi \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \mathcal{D}a_\mu \mathcal{D}c \mathcal{D}\bar{c} \end{aligned}$$

- ◇ Conformal anomaly in ordinary QCD (SU(N) gauge group)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_W &= n_f \cdot \mathcal{A}_W^{\text{matter}} + \mathcal{A}_W^{\text{gauge}} + \mathcal{A}_W^{\text{ghost}} \quad (n_f : \text{the number of flavour}) \\ &= -\frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left[ \frac{11}{6} N - \frac{1}{3} n_f \right] F_{\mu\nu}{}^a F^{\mu\nu}{}^a \\ &\quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\beta(g)/2g^3} \end{aligned}$$

- ◇  $\beta$ -function

$$\beta(g) = -\frac{g^3}{(4\pi)^2} \left( \frac{11}{3} N - \frac{2}{3} n_f \right)$$

- It is in agreement with the result of the perturbative analysis at the one loop level.



## 5 Conformal anomaly in NC gauge theories

### — U(1) gauge theory — QED

- ◇ Gauge transformation  $\delta a_\mu = D_\mu^{(*)}[B]\lambda - i[a_\mu, \lambda]_{(*)}$
- Naive deformation of the non-abelian gauge transformation —
- ◇ Effective action

$$\begin{aligned} \exp(-\Gamma[B]) &\equiv \int \mathcal{D}\psi \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \mathcal{D}a_\mu \mathcal{D}c \mathcal{D}\bar{c} \exp\left(-S_{(*)}[\psi, \bar{\psi}, a_\mu, c, \bar{c}]\right) \\ S^{(*)} &= \int d^4x \, i\bar{\psi} * \mathcal{D}^{(*)}\psi + \frac{1}{2g^2} \int d^4x \, \bar{c} * D_\mu^{(*)} D_\mu^{(*)} c \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2g^2} \int d^4x \, \left\{ a_\mu * D_\nu^{(*)} D_\nu^{(*)} a^\mu - 2i a^\mu * [F_{\mu\nu}^{(*)}, a^\nu]_{(*)} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

### Contribution from the matter fields

Weyl transformation  $\psi(x) \longrightarrow e^{-\frac{1}{2}\alpha}\psi(x)$

—  $\alpha$  : An infinitesimal constant —

- ◇ Eigenfunction of the Dirac operator

$$\mathcal{D}^{(*)}\varphi_n(x) = \lambda_n \varphi_n(x)$$

- ◇ Jacobian  $J_W^{matter} = \exp\left[\alpha \int d^4x \mathcal{A}_W^{matter}\right]$

$$\begin{aligned} \int d^4x \mathcal{A}_W^{matter} &\equiv \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \Sigma \int d^4x \left( \exp_*\left(-\epsilon \mathcal{D} * \mathcal{D}\right) * \varphi_n(x) \right) * \varphi_n^\dagger(x) \\ &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int d^4x \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \text{tr} \left[ \left( \exp_*\left(-\epsilon \mathcal{D} * \mathcal{D}\right) * e^{ik \cdot x} \right) * e^{-ik \cdot x} \right] \\ &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int d^4x \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \text{tr} \left[ \exp_* \left\{ -\epsilon \left( (ik_\mu + D_\mu^{(*)})^2 - \frac{i}{2} \sigma^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}^{(*)}(x) \right) \right\} \right] \end{aligned}$$

— The background field and its field strength do not depend on the momentum  $k_{\mu\nu}$ .

- ◇ Conformal anomaly

$$\int d^4x \mathcal{A}_W^{matter}(x) = \int d^4x \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \frac{2}{3} F_{\mu\nu}(x) * F^{\mu\nu}(x)$$

## Contribution from the ghost fields

Weyl transformations  $c(x) \longrightarrow e^{-2\alpha}c(x)$   $\bar{c}(x) \longrightarrow \bar{c}(x)$

◇ Eigenfunction of the differential operator

$$D_{\mu}^{(*)}D_{(*)}^{\mu}S_n(x) = \chi'_{n^2}S_n(x)$$

The covariant derivative

$$D_{\mu}S_n(x) = \partial_{\mu}S_n(x) - i[B_{\mu}(x), S_n(x)]_* = \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} D_{\mu}[:,k]\hat{S}_n(k)e^{ik \cdot x}$$

$$D_{\mu}[:,k] \equiv \partial_{\mu} - i \int \frac{d^4p}{(2\pi)^4} \hat{B}_{\mu}(p)e^{ip \cdot x} \underbrace{(-2i) \sin\left(\frac{1}{2}p_{\mu}\theta^{\mu\nu}k_{\nu}\right)}_{\text{It corresponds to structure constants}}$$

– The background field depends on the momentum  $k_{\mu}$ .

◇ Jacobian  $J_W^{ghost} = \exp\left[\alpha \int d^4x \mathcal{A}_W^{ghost}\right]$

$$\int d^4x \mathcal{A}_W^{ghost} = 2 \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int d^4x \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \exp(*) \left\{ -\epsilon(ik_{\mu} + D_{\mu}[:,k])(ik^{\mu} + D^{\mu}[:,k]) \right\}$$

◇ The planar sector

$$\begin{aligned} & \underbrace{\int d^4x e^{i(p+q) \cdot x}}_{(2\pi)^4\delta(p+q)} (-2i)^2 \sin\left(\frac{1}{2}p_{\mu}\theta^{\mu\rho}k_{\rho}\right) \sin\left(\frac{1}{2}q_{\nu}\theta^{\nu\sigma}k_{\sigma}\right) \\ & = 4 \times \left\{ \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}}_{\text{planar}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \cos(p_{\mu}\theta^{\mu\nu}k_{\nu})}_{\text{non-planar}} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

◇ Conformal anomaly

$$\int d^4x \mathcal{A}_W^{ghost}(x) \Big|_{\text{planar}} = \int d^4x \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left( -\frac{1}{6} \times 2 \right) F_{\mu\nu}(x) * F^{\mu\nu}(x)$$

## Contribution from the fluctuating gauge field

Weyl transformation  $a_\mu(x) \longrightarrow e^{-\alpha} a_\mu(x)$

◇ Eigenfunction of the differential operator

$$D_D^{(*)} D_{(*)}^\nu V_{\bar{m}}^\mu(x) - 2i [F^{\mu\nu}, V_{\nu, \bar{m}}(x)]_{(*)} = \lambda_{\bar{m}}^\mu V_{\bar{m}}^\mu(x)$$

◇ Jacobian  $J_W^{gauge} = \exp [ \alpha \int d^4x \mathcal{A}_W^{gauge} ]$

$$\int d^4x \mathcal{A}_W^{gauge}$$

$$= - \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int d^4x \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \text{tr} [ \exp(*) \{ -\epsilon ( \delta_\mu^\nu (ik + D[; k])^2 - 2i F_\mu^\nu(x; k) ) \} ] \\ F_{\mu\nu}(x; k) \equiv \int \frac{d^4p}{(2\pi)^4} \hat{F}_{\mu\nu}(p) e^{ip \cdot x} (-2i) \sin \left( \frac{1}{2} p_\rho \theta^{\rho\sigma} k_\sigma \right)$$

◇ Conformal anomaly

$$\int d^4x \mathcal{A}_W^{gauge}(x) \Big|_{\text{planar}} = \int d^4x \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left( -\frac{5}{3} \times 2 \right) F_{\mu\nu}(x) * F^{\mu\nu}(x)$$

## Conformal anomaly in noncommutative QED

$$\int d^4x \left( n_f \mathcal{A}_W^{matter}(x) + \mathcal{A}_W^{gauge}(x) \Big|_{\text{planar}} + \mathcal{A}_W^{ghost}(x) \Big|_{\text{planar}} \right) \\ = \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left( \frac{2}{3} n_f \times 1 - \frac{11}{6} \times 2 \right) \int d^4x F_{\mu\nu}(x) * F^{\mu\nu}(x)$$

• The usual product  $\Rightarrow$  The Moyal \*-product

• The coefficient changes.

–  $\text{tr}(T_a T_a) = 1$  — Because of the U(1) gauge group

–  $N = 2$  — Because of the Moyal star product

$$f^{abcd} = N (= C_2(G)) \delta_{ab} \Leftrightarrow 4 \sin^2(p_\mu \theta^{\mu\nu} q_\nu / 2) = 2 + \dots \\ \text{tr}(color) \Leftrightarrow \int d^4x$$

## $\beta$ function in noncommutative QED

$$\begin{aligned} \int d^4x \mathcal{A}_W^{NC-QED}(x) &= \frac{\beta(g)}{2g^3} \int d^4x F_{\mu\nu}^{(*)}(x) * F^{\mu\nu}(x) \\ &\Rightarrow \beta(g)|_{NC-QED} = -\frac{g^3}{(4\pi)^2} \left( \frac{22}{3} - \frac{4}{3}n_f \right) \end{aligned}$$

- It agrees with the result of the perturbative analysis at the one loop level. M. Hayakawa (1999), et al.

## — U(N) gauge theory — QCD

It is straightforward to modify the calculation to  $U(N)$  gauge group.

$$\begin{aligned} \int d^4x \mathcal{A}_W^{matter}(x) &= \int d^4x \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \frac{2}{3} \text{tr}(T_a T_b) F_{\mu\nu}^{(*)a}(x) * F^{\mu\nu b}_{(*)}(x) \\ \int d^4x \mathcal{A}_W^{ghost}(x)|_{\text{planar}} &= \int d^4x \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left( -\frac{1}{3} \right) (f_{acd} f_{bcd}) F_{\mu\nu}^{(*)a}(x) * F^{\mu\nu b}_{(*)}(x) \\ \int d^4x \mathcal{A}_W^{gauge}(x)|_{\text{planar}} &= \int d^4x \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left( -\frac{10}{3} \right) (f_{acd} f_{bcd}) F_{\mu\nu}^{(*)a}(x) * F^{\mu\nu b}_{(*)}(x) \end{aligned}$$

- The trace of the product of two representation matrices occurs.

## Conformal anomaly in noncommutative QCD

$$\begin{aligned} \int d^4x \mathcal{A}_W^{NC-QCD}(x) &= \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left( \frac{2}{3}n_f C(r) - \frac{11}{3} C_2(G) \right) \int d^4x F_{\mu\nu}^{(*)a}(x) * F^{\mu\nu a}_{(*)}(x) \\ \text{tr}(T_a T_b) &= C(r)\delta_{ab}, \quad f_{acd} f_{bcd} = C_2(G)\delta_{ab} \end{aligned}$$

## $\beta$ function in noncommutative QCD

$$\beta(g)|_{NC-QCD} = -\frac{g^3}{(4\pi)^2} \left( \frac{22}{3} C_2(G) - \frac{4}{3}n_f C(r) \right)$$

This is also coincident with the  $\beta$  function obtained from the perturbative analysis. V. V. Khoze, G. Travaglini (2000), et al.

## 6 Summary

- We evaluated the conformal anomalies in noncommutative gauge theories by path integral method (Fujikawa's method)

### Conformal anomaly

$$\int d^4x \mathcal{A}_{\text{W}}^{NC} = \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left( \frac{2}{3} n_f C(r) - \frac{11}{3} C_2(G) \right) \int d^4x F_{\mu\nu}^{(*)a} * F_{\mu\nu}^{(*)a}$$

(In NC-QED,  $C(r) = 1$  and  $C_2(G) = 2$ .)

- The local parameter  $\alpha(x)$  in the Weyl transformation was made a constant parameter.
- Only the planar contribution was investigated.
- The coefficient of this conformal anomaly is different from that of the conformal anomaly in ordinary gauge theory.

### $\beta$ function

$$\beta(g) \Big|_{\text{QED}} = \frac{g^3}{12\pi^2} n_f \Rightarrow \beta(g) \Big|_{\text{NC-QED}} = -\frac{g^3}{(4\pi)^2} \left( \frac{22}{3} - \frac{4}{3} n_f \right)$$

- The  $\beta$ -function is modified due to the Moyal \*-product. (NC-QED)
- It is consistent with the result of the perturbative analysis.

### Future problems

- Non-planar contribution to the conformal anomaly
- The conformal anomaly under the local Weyl transformation
- Extension to supersymmetry