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with $q = k_1 + k_2$

Axial Ward identity (AWI):

Use the identity:

$$\not{q} \gamma_5 = \gamma_5 (\not{p} - \not{q} - m) + (\not{p} - m) \gamma_5 + 2m \gamma_5$$

then we could get: $q^\rho T_{\mu\nu\rho} = 2m T_{\mu\nu} + R_{\mu\nu}^1 + R_{\mu\nu}^2$

where: $R'_{\mu\nu} = \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \text{tr} \left[\frac{1}{\not{p} - \not{k}_2 - m} \not{\gamma}_5 \not{\gamma}_\nu \frac{1}{\not{p} - \not{q} - m} \not{\gamma}_\mu - \frac{1}{\not{p} - m} \not{\gamma}_5 \not{\gamma}_\nu \frac{1}{\not{p} - \not{k}_1 - m} \not{\gamma}_\mu \right]$

$R^2_{\mu\nu} = \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \text{tr} \left[\frac{1}{\not{p} - \not{k}_1 - m} \not{\gamma}_5 \not{\gamma}_\mu \frac{1}{\not{p} - \not{q} - m} \not{\gamma}_\nu - \frac{1}{\not{p} - m} \not{\gamma}_5 \not{\gamma}_\mu \frac{1}{\not{p} - \not{k}_2 - m} \not{\gamma}_\nu \right]$

If $R'_{\mu\nu}, R^2_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow 0$, then the AWI is satisfied. This happens if we make the shift:

$p \rightarrow p + k_2, p \rightarrow p + k_1$

However, the integrals are linearly divergent. So the two shifts are not allowed, and

$R'_{\mu\nu}, R^2_{\mu\nu} \neq 0$

\therefore AWI becomes anomalous.

2. A little bit on linearly divergent integrals:

For example: $\Delta(a) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx [f(x+a) - f(x)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx [af(x) + \frac{a^2}{2!} f''(x) + \dots]$
 $= a[f(\infty) - f(-\infty)] + \frac{a^2}{2!} [f'(\infty) - f'(-\infty)] + \dots$

If $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx$ converges, then $f(\pm\infty) = f'(\pm\infty) = \dots = 0$, so $\Delta(a) = 0$.
 In the case we could shift $x \rightarrow x-a$.

If, however, this integral is linearly divergent, then $f(\pm\infty) \neq 0$, $f'(\pm\infty) = f''(\pm\infty) = \dots = 0$, and

$\Delta(a) = a[f(\infty) - f(-\infty)] \neq 0$

So we can't make the shift $x \rightarrow x-a$.
 For n dimensions:

$$\Delta(a) = \int d^n x [f(x+a) - f(x)]$$

Gauss theorem \rightarrow
$$= \int d^n x [a^\mu \partial_\mu f(x) + a^\mu a^\nu \partial_\mu \partial_\nu f(x) + \dots]$$

$$= a^\mu \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \frac{R^\mu}{R} S^{n-1}(R) f(R)$$

$S^{n-1}(R)$ is the surface of an $(n-1)$ -dimensional sphere.

For $n=4$, $S^3(R) = 2\pi^2 R^3$

For $R_{\mu\nu}^{1,2}$ they have the form:

$$R_{\mu\nu}^1 = \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} [f(p-k_2) - f(p)]$$

$$R_{\mu\nu}^2 = \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} [f(p-k_1) - f(p)]$$

So:
$$R_{\mu\nu}^1 = i 2\pi^2 (-k_2^\lambda) \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \frac{p_\lambda p^\alpha + (p^\alpha + m) \delta_\lambda^\alpha k_2^\nu - (p^\alpha - k_1 + m) \delta_\lambda^\alpha}{(2\pi)^4 [p^2 - m^2] [(p-k_2)^2 - m^2]}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} k_1^\alpha k_2^\lambda \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \frac{p_\lambda p^\beta}{p^2}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{8\pi^2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} k_1^\alpha k_2^\beta$$

$k_1 \leftrightarrow k_2, \mu \leftrightarrow \nu$, we get:

$$R_{\mu\nu}^2 = -\frac{1}{8\pi^2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} k_1^\alpha k_2^\beta$$

\therefore The AWI is:

$$g^{\lambda\gamma} T_{\mu\nu\lambda} = 2m T_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} k_1^\alpha k_2^\beta$$

3. Ambiguity of the amplitude:

Do the shift $p \rightarrow p+a$, with

$$a = \alpha k_1 + (\alpha - \beta) k_2$$

and

$$\Delta_{\mu\nu\lambda}(a) = T_{\mu\nu\lambda}(a) - T_{\mu\nu\lambda}(0) = - \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4}$$

$$\cdot \left[\text{tr} \frac{1}{\not{p} + \not{a} - m} \gamma_\lambda \gamma_5 \frac{1}{\not{p} + \not{a} - \not{q} - m} \gamma_\nu \frac{1}{\not{p} + \not{a} - \not{k}_1 - m} \gamma_\mu \right.$$

$$\left. - \text{tr} \frac{1}{\not{p} - m} \gamma_\lambda \gamma_5 \frac{1}{\not{p} - \not{q} - m} \gamma_\nu \frac{1}{\not{p} - \not{k}_1 - m} \gamma_\mu \right] +$$

$$\left(\begin{matrix} k_1 \leftrightarrow k_2 \\ \mu \leftrightarrow \nu \end{matrix} \right) =: \Delta'_{\mu\nu\lambda} + \Delta^2_{\mu\nu\lambda}$$

In the limit $p \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\Delta'_{\mu\nu\lambda} = - \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda\alpha} a^\alpha$$

For $k_1 \leftrightarrow k_2$ and $\mu \leftrightarrow \nu \Rightarrow \Delta^2_{\mu\nu\lambda}$

$$\therefore \Delta_{\mu\nu\lambda} = \Delta'_{\mu\nu\lambda} + \Delta^2_{\mu\nu\lambda} = - \frac{\beta}{8\pi^2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda\alpha} (k_1^\alpha - k_2^\alpha)$$

$$T_{\mu\nu\lambda}(a) = T_{\mu\nu\lambda}(0) + \Delta_{\mu\nu\lambda}(a)$$

\therefore The AWI ($\beta \neq 1$):

$$q^\lambda T_{\mu\nu\lambda}(\beta) = 2m T_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1-\beta}{4\pi^2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} k_1^\alpha k_2^\beta$$

4. Vector Ward identity (VWI):

$$k_1^\mu T_{\mu\nu\lambda} = - \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \text{tr} \left[\frac{1}{\not{p} - m} \gamma_\lambda \gamma_5 \frac{1}{\not{p} - \not{q} - m} \gamma_\nu \frac{1}{\not{p} - \not{k}_1 - m} \not{k}_1 \right.$$

$$\left. + \frac{1}{\not{p} - m} \gamma_\lambda \gamma_5 \frac{1}{\not{p} - \not{q} - m} \not{k}_1 \frac{1}{\not{p} - \not{k}_2 - m} \gamma_\nu \right]$$

$$= - \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \text{tr} \left[\gamma_\lambda \gamma_5 \frac{1}{\not{p} - \not{q} - m} \gamma_\nu \frac{1}{\not{p} - \not{k}_1 - m} \right.$$

$$\left. - \gamma_\lambda \gamma_5 \frac{1}{\not{p} - \not{k}_2 - m} \gamma_\nu \frac{1}{\not{p} - m} \right]$$

$$= - \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} [f(p-k_1) - f(p)]$$

From $k_1^\mu T_{\mu\nu\lambda}^{(0)} = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda\alpha} k_1^\alpha k_2^\beta$ we could get the anomalous VWI ($\beta \neq -1$):

$$k_1^\mu T_{\mu\nu\lambda}(\beta) = \frac{4\beta}{8\pi^2} \epsilon_{\nu\lambda\alpha\beta} k_1^\alpha k_2^\beta$$

\therefore Obviously, there is no value of β such that both the VWI and the AWI can be fulfilled.

For example:

i) $\beta = -1$, then the VWI

$k_1^\mu T_{\mu\nu\lambda} = 0$
is satisfied. But the AWI is anomalous

$$q^\lambda T_{\mu\nu\lambda} = 2m T_{\mu\nu} + A_{\mu\nu}$$

with $A_{\mu\nu} = -\frac{1}{2\pi^2} \epsilon_{\nu\lambda\alpha\beta} k_1^\alpha k_2^\beta$

ii) $\beta = 1$, AWI is fulfilled

$q^\lambda T_{\mu\nu\lambda} = 2m T_{\mu\nu}$
but the VWI is anomalous

$$k_1^\mu T_{\mu\nu\lambda} = -\frac{1}{2} A_{\nu\lambda}$$

iii) $\beta = 1/3$, the anomaly is equally distributed in the VWI and AWI.

$$k_1^\mu T_{\mu\nu\lambda} = -\frac{1}{3} A_{\nu\lambda}$$

$$q^\lambda T_{\mu\nu\lambda} = 2m T_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{3} A_{\mu\nu}$$

Adler-Bardeen theorem: The full structure of the chiral anomaly is given by the triangle graph.