

CHIRAL ANOMALIES AND NUMBER OF FAMILIES

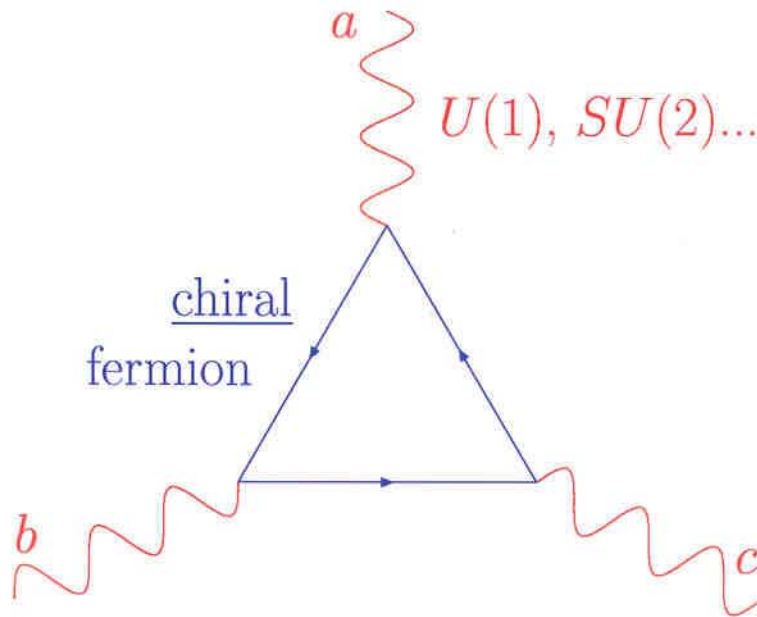
- Anomalies
 - Definition
 - 4D and beyond
 - Constraints on fermion content
- Three gauge fermion families of Standard Model
- Anomalies and families in 4D - SM
- Anomalies and families in 6D - $SU(5)$

Gauge anomalies in $D = 4$

Anomaly : classical symmetry spoilt by quantization

$$\partial_\mu j^\mu = 0$$

$$\partial_\mu j_a^\mu \neq 0$$



$$\partial_\mu j_a^\mu \propto D_{abc} \epsilon^{\nu\rho\sigma\tau} F_{\nu\rho}^b F_{\sigma\tau}^c$$

$$\overbrace{\sum_L \text{STr}(T^a T^b T^c) - \sum_R \text{STr}(T^a T^b T^c)}$$

If broken symmetry is *global* 😊

→ pion decay $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

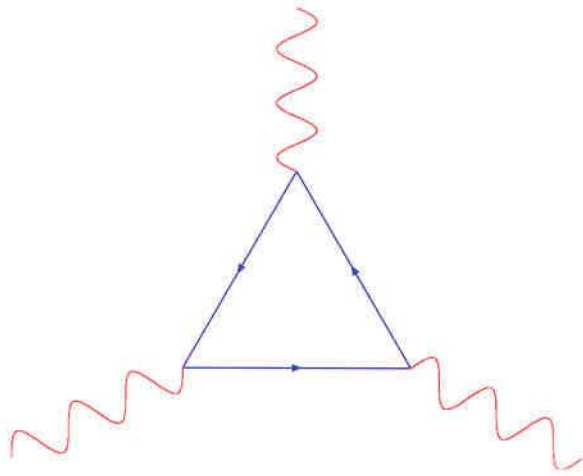
If broken symmetry is **local** 😡

→ gauge invariance, unitarity and renormalizability

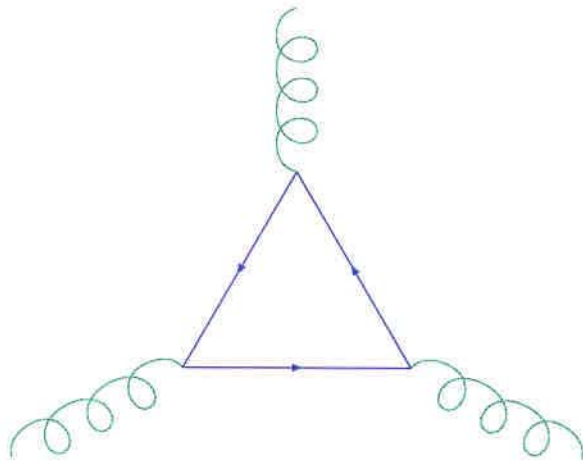
⇒ **constraints on the chiral fermion content**



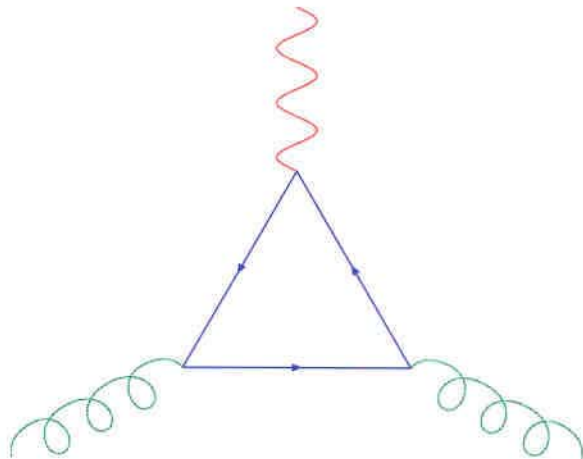
Perturbative anomalies in $D = 4$



Gauge anomalies

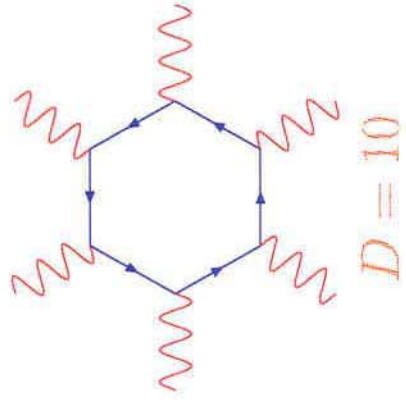
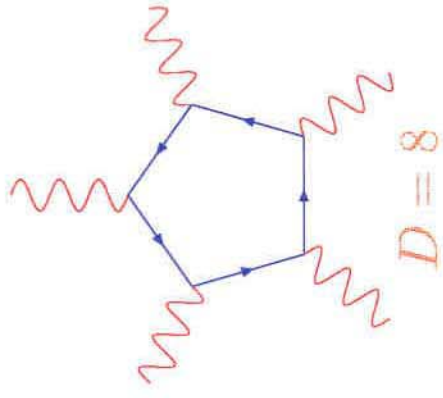
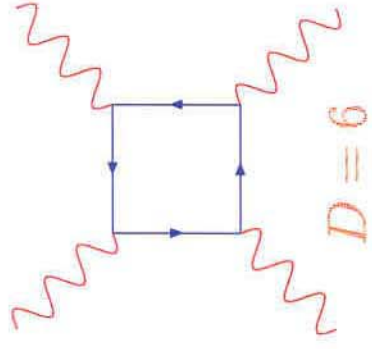
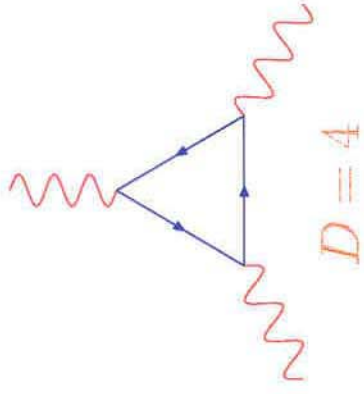


Gravitational anomalies



Mixed anomalies

ANOMALIES IN ANY DIMENSION



$$\text{Anomaly} \propto \sum_{L_D} \text{STr} (T^1 \dots T^{D/2+1}) - \sum_{R_D} \text{STr} (T^1 \dots T^{D/2+1})$$

CHIRAL ANOMALIES

- Only in even dimensions D -

- **Local gauge** : Traces + Green-Schwarz mechanism
⇒ Irreducible anomaly (when GS exists) :

$$\left(\sum_{L_D - R_D} A_{D/2+1} \right) \text{Tr}(t \dots t^{D/2+1}) = 0$$

- **Global gauge** : Homotopy groups $\Pi_D(G) = Z_{m_D}$
⇒

$$c_k^D [N(\mathbf{k}_{L_D}) - N(\mathbf{k}_{R_D})] = 0 \pmod{m_D}$$

- **Mixed** : some are not reducible

- **Local gravitational** : Only in $D = 4k + 2$,

$$N_{L_D} - N_{R_D} = 0$$

if not ⇒ chiral gauge singlets, ! GS !

Family structure of the Standard Model in $D = 4$

	3 fermion generations			$SU(3) \otimes SU(2) \otimes U(1)$		
Q	$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix}_L$	$\begin{pmatrix} c \\ s \end{pmatrix}_L$	$\begin{pmatrix} t \\ b \end{pmatrix}_L$	3	2	1/3
U	$(u^c)_L$	$(c^c)_L$	$(t^c)_L$	$\bar{3}$	1	-4/3
\mathcal{D}	$(d^c)_L$	$(s^c)_L$	$(b^c)_L$	$\bar{3}$	1	2/3
\mathcal{L}	$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ e \end{pmatrix}_L$	$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_\mu \\ \mu \end{pmatrix}_L$	$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_\tau \\ \tau \end{pmatrix}_L$	1	2	-1
\mathcal{E}	$(u^c)_L$	$(c^c)_L$	$(t^c)_L$	1	1	2

From **SU(5)** point of view

$SU(5)$	$SU(3) \otimes SU(2) \otimes U(1)$
$\bar{5}$	$\mathcal{D} + \mathcal{L}$
10	$Q + U + \mathcal{E}$

ANOMALIES IN SM $D = 4$

all fermions taken left-handed

- **Mixed Anomaly :**

$$\sum_L \text{Tr} Y = 6 \times \frac{1}{3} + 3 \times \left(\frac{-4}{3} \right) + 3 \times \frac{2}{3} + 2 \times (-1) + 1 \times 2 = 0$$

- **Global gauge anomaly : $SU(2)$:**

$$N(2_L) = 3 + 1 = 4 = 0 \pmod{2}$$

- **Local gauge anomaly $\sum_L \text{STr} (T^a T^b T^c)$**

$$- SU(3)^3 : \sum_L \text{STr} (T^a T^b T^c) = (2 - 1 - 1) \times \text{STr} (t^a t^b t^c)$$

$$- SU(2)^3 : \text{Tr} (\sigma^a \{ \sigma^b, \sigma^c \}) = 2 \delta^{bc} \text{Tr} \sigma^a = 0$$

$$- U(1)^3 : \sum_L Y^3 = 6 \left(\frac{1}{3} \right)^3 + 3 \left(\frac{-4}{3} \right)^3 + 3 \left(\frac{2}{3} \right)^3 + 2(-1)^3 + 2^3 = 0 \text{ need quarks and leptons}$$

$$- SU(3)^2 U(1) \sum_{\mathbf{3}, \bar{\mathbf{3}}} Y = 2 \times \frac{1}{3} + \frac{-4}{3} + \frac{2}{3} = 0$$

$$- SU(2)^2 U(1) \sum_{\text{doublets}} Y = 3 \times \frac{1}{3} + (-1) = 0$$

\Rightarrow

SM anomaly free generation by generation !



BUT

Cancellations “magical” + Why 3 families ?



$SU(5)$ IN $D = 6$

Local gauge anomaly

- $\bar{5}$: $\text{STr}(T^4) = \boxed{1} \times \text{STr}(t^4)$
- 10 : $\text{STr}(T^4) = \boxed{-3} \times \text{STr}(t^4) + 3 \times \underbrace{\text{STr}(t^2)^2}_{\text{reducible}}$

anomaly cancellation requirement

\Rightarrow

♠ Vector-like solution $\bar{5}_L, 10_L, \bar{5}_R, 10_R \dots$

♥ Economical chiral solution $\boxed{\bar{5}_L, \bar{5}_L, \bar{5}_L, 10_L}$

but 45 fermions \in SM !

\Rightarrow

♥ Add $\boxed{10_L, 10_R}$

Mixed Anomaly : killed by Green-Schwarz mechanism

Gravitational Anomaly : one adds 3 singlets

Global anomaly : $\Pi_6(SU(5)) = 0$

anomaly cancellation is nice 😊

$SU(5)$ AND MORE IN $D = 6$

Anomaly free solution :

$$\begin{pmatrix} \bar{5}_L \\ 10_L \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} \bar{5}_L \\ 10_L \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} \bar{5}_L \\ 10_R \end{pmatrix}$$

and 3 singlets under $SU(5)$ (“sterile neutrinos” ?)

+ Green & Schwarz tensor!

 **3 generations !!!** 

Other **GUTs** ?

- 3rd generation cannot $\in 16$ of $SO(10)$
- Economical solution i.e. 3 incomplete generations “can” $\in 27$ of E_6

Phenomenology $D = 6$

Mass and Yukawa couplings in $D = 6$?

$$\begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{5}}_L \\ \mathbf{10}_L \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{5}}_L \\ \mathbf{10}_L \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{5}}_L \\ \mathbf{10}_R \end{pmatrix}$$

- **Lorentz invariance** \rightarrow only $R + L$ because $D = 6$
- $SU(5)$ invariance and Higgs mechanism
 - $\rightarrow \mathbf{10}_L + \mathbf{10}_R \Rightarrow m_t$
 - $\rightarrow \bar{\mathbf{5}}_L + \mathbf{10}_R \Rightarrow m_b$
- Yukawa are complex \Rightarrow CP violation ?

Need quantum corrections and dimensional reduction

Strong CP problem - **Green-Schwarz** tensor

Proton stability 

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CONCLUSION

Could one find a **GUT group G** and a **dimension D** such that the anomaly cancellation condition(s) impose **3 generations** - as defined in the SM ?

The answer is “unique” : $SU(5)$ in 6D

Comments : but result is true only modulo 3 and vectorial generations, why generations, why these representations... and what is the phenomenology ?