

Cornwall-Jackiw-Tomboulis effective action in (2+1)-dimensional models



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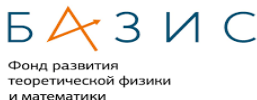
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Lagrangian of Gross-Neveu model

$$L = i\bar{\psi}_k \gamma^\nu \partial_\nu \psi_k + \frac{G}{2N} (\bar{\psi}_k \psi_k)^2$$

$k = 1, \dots, N$ is a number of flavours

It exhibits chiral symmetry breaking and
dynamical mass generation

$$\langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle \neq 0$$

$$L \sim -\frac{2N}{G} \sigma(x)^2 + i\bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \partial_\mu \psi - \sigma(x) \bar{\psi} \psi, \quad \langle \sigma \rangle \sim \langle \bar{\psi} \psi \rangle$$

Note that the definition of chiral symmetry is slightly unusual in $(2+1)$ -dimensions.

There exists no other 2×2 matrix anticommuting with the gamma matrices, which would allow the introduction of a γ^5 -matrix in the irreducible representation.

The concept of **chiral symmetries** and their breakdown by mass terms can nevertheless be realized also in the framework of **(2+1)-dimensional quantum field theories**

by considering a **four-component reducible representation for Dirac fields**

The Dirac spinors ψ have the following form:

$$\psi(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\psi}_1(x) \\ \tilde{\psi}_2(x) \end{pmatrix},$$

with $\tilde{\psi}_1, \tilde{\psi}_2$ being two-component spinors.
4×4 γ -matrices:

$$\gamma^\mu = \text{diag}(\tilde{\gamma}^\mu, -\tilde{\gamma}^\mu)$$

There exist two matrices, γ^3 and γ^5 , which anticommute with all γ^μ ($\mu = 0, 1, 2$) and with themselves

$$\gamma^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \gamma^5 = \gamma^0 \gamma^1 \gamma^2 \gamma^3 = i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

One can also construct

$$\tau = -i\gamma^3\gamma^5 = \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & -I \end{pmatrix}$$

As a rule one introduces the source terms

$$\mathcal{S}_s = \int d^3x \left(\bar{\psi}_k(x) J_k(x) + \bar{J}_k(x) \psi_k(x) \right)$$

But now let us introduce bilocal source

$$\mathcal{S}_s = \int d^3x d^3y \bar{\psi}_k^\alpha(x) K_\alpha^\beta(x, y) \psi_{k\beta}(y)$$

$Z(K)$ is the generating functional of the Green's functions of bilocal fermion-antifermion composite operators $\bar{\psi}_k^\alpha(x)\psi_{k\beta}(y)$

$$\begin{aligned} Z(K) &\equiv \exp(iNW(K)) = \\ &= \int \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi}_k \mathcal{D}\psi_k \exp\left(i\left[I(\bar{\psi}, \psi) + \int d^3x d^3y \bar{\psi}_k^\alpha(x) K_\alpha^\beta(x, y) \psi_{k\beta}(y)\right]\right) \end{aligned}$$

where $\alpha, \beta = 1, 2, 3, 4$ are spinor indices,

$K_\alpha^\beta(x, y)$ is a bilocal source of the fermion bilinear composite field $\bar{\psi}_k^\alpha(x)\psi_{k\beta}(y)$

Generating functional can be expressed in the following form

$$Z(K) = \exp \left(i I_{int} \left(-i \frac{\delta}{\delta K} \right) \right) \exp \left[N \text{Tr} \ln (D(x, y) + K(x, y)) \right]$$

$$Z(K) = \exp(iNW(K))$$

$$\exp(iNW(K)) =$$

$$= \exp\left(iI_{int}\left(-i\frac{\delta}{\delta K}\right)\right) \exp\left[N\text{Tr} \ln(D(x, y) + K(x, y))\right]$$

CJT effective action of the composite bilocal and bispinor operator $\bar{\psi}_k^\alpha(x)\psi_{k\beta}(y)$ is defined as a functional $\Gamma(S)$ of the **full fermion propagator** $S_\beta^\alpha(x, y)$ by **Legendre transformation** of the functional $W(K)$

$$\Gamma(S) = W(K) - \int d^3x d^3y S_\beta^\alpha(x, y) K_\alpha^\beta(y, x),$$

$$S_\beta^\alpha(x, y) = \frac{\delta W(K)}{\delta K_\alpha^\beta(y, x)}.$$

$S(x, y)$ is the full fermion propagator at $K(x, y) = 0$

One can show for CJT effective action $\Gamma(S)$

$$\frac{\delta\Gamma(S)}{\delta S_{\beta}^{\alpha}(x, y)} = -K_{\alpha}^{\beta}(y, x)$$

If bilocal sources $K_{\alpha}^{\beta}(y, x)$ are zero, the full fermion propagator is a solution of

$$\frac{\delta\Gamma(S)}{\delta S_{\beta}^{\alpha}(x, y)} = 0.$$

we calculate the effective action perturbatively

$$\Gamma(S) = -i\text{Tr} \ln (-iS^{-1}) + \int d^3x d^3y S_{\beta}^{\alpha}(x, y) D_{\alpha}^{\beta}(y, x) \\ + \frac{G}{2} \int d^3x [\text{tr} S(x, x)]^2 - \frac{G}{2N} \int d^3x \text{tr} [S(x, x) S(x, x)].$$

The stationary equation for the CJT effective action

$$0 = i \left[S^{-1} \right]_{\alpha}^{\beta} (x, y) + D_{\alpha}^{\beta} (x, y) + G \delta_{\alpha}^{\beta} \delta(x-y) \operatorname{tr} S(x, y) - \frac{G}{N} S_{\alpha}^{\beta} (x, y) \delta(x-y).$$

$S(x, y)$ is a translational invariant operator

$$\overline{(S^{-1})_{\alpha}^{\beta}}(p) - i p_{\nu} (\gamma^{\nu})_{\alpha}^{\beta} = i G \delta_{\alpha}^{\beta} \int \frac{d^3 q}{(2\pi)^3} \operatorname{tr} \overline{S}(q) - i \frac{G}{N} \int \frac{d^3 q}{(2\pi)^3} \overline{S_{\alpha}^{\beta}}(q)$$

Let us explore, using the CJT approach, the possibility of mass term

$$\overline{S^{-1}} = i(\hat{p} + m_D), \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \overline{S} = -i \frac{\hat{p} + m_D}{p^2 - m_D^2}$$

\mathcal{P} - symmetric

\mathcal{T} - symmetric

Break chiral symmetries Γ^5 and Γ^3

UV divergence can be removed from the gap equations if we require the following behavior of the bare coupling constant $G \equiv G(\Lambda)$ vs Λ

$$\frac{1}{G(\Lambda)} = \frac{4N-1}{2N\pi^2} \left(\Lambda + g_D \frac{\pi}{2} + g_D \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{g_D}{\Lambda}\right) \right)$$

where g_D is a finite Λ -independent and renormalization group invariant quantity, and it can also be considered as a new free parameter of the model.

- ▶ at $g_D > 0$ its global minimum lies at the point $m_D = 0$, and no dynamical mass generation
- ▶ at $g_D < 0$ the global minimum is achieved at $m_D = |g_D|$

$$m_D = |g_D|$$

One could define dimensionless bare coupling constant

$$\lambda = \Lambda G(\Lambda)$$

The β -function is

$$\beta(\Lambda) = \Lambda \frac{\partial \lambda(\Lambda)}{\partial \Lambda}, \quad \beta(\Lambda) = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda_D} (\lambda_D - \lambda)$$

where $\lambda_D = \frac{2N\pi^2}{4N-1}$

there exists a nonzero UV-stable fixed point λ_D in the model

At rather large values of Λ

$$\lambda(\Lambda) - \lambda_D \sim -\frac{g_D}{\Lambda}$$

- ▶ at $\lambda > \lambda_D$ — **chiral symmetry is broken**
- ▶ at $\lambda < \lambda_D$ — **symmetry of the model remains intact**

Let us explore, using the CJT approach, the possibility of mass term

$$\overline{S^{-1}} = i(\hat{p} + \tau m_H), \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \overline{S} = -i \frac{\hat{p} + \tau m_H}{p^2 - m_H^2}$$

\mathcal{P} - breaking

\mathcal{T} - symmetric

Keep chiral symmetries Γ^5 and Γ^3 intact

the UV divergence can be removed from the gap equations if we require the following behavior of the bare coupling constant $G \equiv G(\Lambda)$ vs Λ

$$\frac{1}{G(\Lambda)} = -\frac{1}{2N\pi^2} \left(\Lambda + g_H \frac{\pi}{2} + g_H \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{g_H}{\Lambda}\right) \right)$$

where g_H is a finite Λ -independent and renormalization group invariant quantity, and it can also be considered as a new free parameter of the model.

- ▶ at $g_H > 0$ its global minimum lies at the point $m_H = 0$, and no dynamical generation of Haldane mass
- ▶ at $g_H < 0$ the global minimum is achieved at $m_H = |g_H|$

$$m_H = |g_H|$$

At rather large values of Λ

$$\lambda(\Lambda) - \lambda_H \sim \frac{2\pi^2 N g_H}{\Lambda}$$

where $\lambda_H = -2N\pi^2$

- ▶ at $\lambda > \lambda_H$ — **parity remains intact**
- ▶ at $\lambda < \lambda_H$ — **parity is broken**

Since $\lambda_H \rightarrow -\infty$ at $N \rightarrow \infty$

we may conclude that **in the limit of large N the (2+1)-D GN model cannot have a **P-odd phase** and **Haldane mass cannot arise dynamically****

Let us explore the possibility that the solution of the gap equation has the form

$$\overline{S^{-1}} = i(\hat{p} + i\gamma^5 m_5 + i\gamma^3 m_3), \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \overline{S} = -i \frac{\hat{p} + i\gamma^5 m_5 + i\gamma^3 m_3}{p^2 - (m_3^2 + m_5^2)}$$

It corresponds to a dynamically generated mass term of the form $\mathcal{M}_H = (m_5 \overline{\psi} i\gamma^5 \psi + m_3 \overline{\psi} i\gamma^3 \psi)$ in the Lagrangian

Since m_5 and m_3 are some real numbers, this mass term is a Hermitian one.

- ▶ at $g > 0$ only a trivial solution of the gap equations exists, $m_3 = m_5 = 0$, and all discrete symmetries of the model remain intact

- ▶ at $g < 0$

$$m_3 = |g| \cos \alpha, \quad m_5 = |g| \sin \alpha$$

(where $0 \leq \alpha \leq \pi/2$ is some arbitrary fixed angle)

At $g < 0$ in all above mentioned cases (at arbitrary values of the angle parameter α)
the genuine physical fermion mass, which is indeed a pole of the fermion propagator, is equal to

$$M_F = \sqrt{m_3^2 + m_5^2} \equiv |g|$$

At rather large values of Λ

$$\lambda(\Lambda) - \lambda_{35} \sim \frac{2\pi^2 N g}{\Lambda}$$

where $\lambda_{35} = 2N\pi^2$

- ▶ at $\lambda > \lambda_{35}$ — $m_5 \bar{\psi} i \gamma^5 \psi + m_3 \bar{\psi} i \gamma^3 \psi$ **mass term is dynamically generated**
- ▶ at $\lambda < \lambda_{35}$ — **symmetric phase**

Since $\lambda_{35} \rightarrow \infty$ at $N \rightarrow \infty$

we may conclude that **in the limit of large N** there is no **dynamical $m_5 \bar{\psi} i \gamma^5 \psi + m_3 \bar{\psi} i \gamma^3 \psi$ mass term generation**

Spontaneous non-Hermiticity in Gross-Neveu model

$$\mathcal{M}_H = im_5\bar{\psi}(x)\gamma^5\psi(x) + im_3\bar{\psi}(x)\gamma^3\psi(x)$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{NH1} = im_5\bar{\psi}(x)\gamma^5\psi(x) + m_3\bar{\psi}(x)\gamma^3\psi(x)$$

\mathcal{PT} - symmetric

$$\mathcal{M}_{NH2} = m_5\bar{\psi}(x)\gamma^5\psi(x) + im_3\bar{\psi}(x)\gamma^3\psi(x)$$

\mathcal{PT} - breaking

Let us explore, using the CJT approach, the possibility of the dynamic appearance of a non-Hermitian and \mathcal{PT} symmetric mass term \mathcal{M}_{NH1}

$$\overline{S}^{-1} = i(\hat{p} + i\gamma^5 m_5 + \gamma^3 m_3), \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \overline{S} = -i \frac{\hat{p} + i\gamma^5 m_5 + \gamma^3 m_3}{p^2 - (m_5^2 - m_3^2)}$$

where m_3 and m_5 are real quantities.

Suppose that $m_5^2 \geq m_3^2$

- ▶ at $g > 0$ its global minimum lies at the point $m_5 = m_3 = 0$, and dynamical mass generation is absent
- ▶ at $g < 0$ the global minimum is achieved at arbitrary (m_3, m_5) point such that $m_5^2 - m_3^2 = g^2$

$$m_3 = |g| \sinh \beta, \quad m_5 = |g| \cosh \beta$$

Note that such a structure of the global minimum point of the model appears due to the emergent symmetry of the CJT effective potential with respect to non-Unitary transformations

$$\begin{pmatrix} m_5 \\ m_3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \cosh \beta & \sinh \beta \\ \sinh \beta & \cosh \beta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} m_5 \\ m_3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

the non-Hermitian but \mathcal{PT} -odd mass term \mathcal{M}_{NH2}

$$\overline{S^{-1}} = i(\hat{p} + \gamma^5 m_5 + i\gamma^3 m_3), \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \overline{S} = -i \frac{\hat{p} + \gamma^5 m_5 + i\gamma^3 m_3}{p^2 - (m_3^2 - m_5^2)}$$

where m_3 and m_5 are real quantities.

Suppose that $m_5^2 \leq m_3^2$

It can be shown in exactly the same way that for the same dependence of the bare coupling constant G vs Λ , there exists a nontrivial solution of the renormalized stationary (Dyson-Schwinger) equation

- ▶ at $g < 0$ of the non-Hermitian but \mathcal{PT} -odd mass term \mathcal{M}_{NH2} in the model.

$$m_3 = |g| \cosh \omega, \quad m_5 = |g| \sinh \omega$$

$$\sqrt{m_3^2 - m_5^2} \equiv |g|$$

$$\text{fermion pole mass } M_F = \sqrt{m_3^2 - m_5^2} \equiv |g|.$$

at $\lambda > \lambda_{35}$ — **non-Hermitian mass terms could be dynamically generated**

$$\text{where } \lambda_{35} = 2N\pi^2$$

Since $\lambda_{35} \rightarrow \infty$ at $N \rightarrow \infty$

we may conclude that **in the limit of large N there is no dynamical generation of non-Hermitian mass terms**

Spontaneous symmetry
breaking
in Thirring model

Lagrangian of Thirring model

$$L = \bar{\Psi}_k \gamma^\nu i \partial_\nu \Psi_k - \frac{G}{2N} (\bar{\Psi}_k \gamma^\mu \Psi_k) (\bar{\Psi}_l \gamma_\mu \Psi_l)$$

$k = 1, \dots, N$ is a number of flavours

It is invariant under the transformations

$$U(N), U(2N), \Gamma_3, \Gamma_5, \mathcal{P}$$

The stationary equation for the CJT effective action

$$\begin{aligned}
 -i \left[S^{-1} \right]_{\alpha}^{\beta}(x, y) - D_{\alpha}^{\beta}(x, y) &= -G(\gamma^{\rho})_{\alpha}^{\beta} \text{tr} [\gamma_{\rho} S(x, y)] \delta^3(x - y) \\
 &+ \frac{G}{N} [\gamma^{\rho} S(x, y) \gamma_{\rho}]_{\alpha}^{\beta} \delta^3(x - y)
 \end{aligned}$$

$S(x, y)$ is a translational invariant operator

$$\begin{aligned}
 -i \overline{(S^{-1})_{\alpha}^{\beta}}(p) - (\hat{p})_{\alpha}^{\beta} &= -G(\gamma^{\rho})_{\alpha}^{\beta} \int \frac{d^3 q}{(2\pi)^3} \text{tr} [\gamma_{\rho} \bar{S}(q)] \\
 &+ \frac{G}{N} \int \frac{d^3 q}{(2\pi)^3} [\gamma^{\rho} \bar{S}(q) \gamma_{\rho}]_{\alpha}^{\beta}
 \end{aligned}$$

Let us explore, using the CJT approach, the possibility of mass term

$$i\overline{S^{-1}} = (\hat{p} + m_D + m_H\tau) = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{p} + m_D + m_H, & 0 \\ 0, & -\tilde{p} + m_D - m_H \end{pmatrix}$$

i. e.

$$\overline{S}(p) = -i \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\tilde{p} - m_D - m_H}{p^2 - (m_D + m_H)^2}, & 0 \\ 0, & \frac{-\tilde{p} - m_D + m_H}{p^2 - (m_D - m_H)^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

CJT effective potential

$$V(S) \int d^3x \equiv -\Gamma(S) \Big|_{\text{transl.-inv. } S(x,y)}$$

for Thirring model is

CJT effective potential has the following symmetries

$$m_D \rightarrow -m_D, \quad m_H \rightarrow -m_H \quad m_H \leftrightarrow m_D$$

- ▶ at $g > 0$ its global minimum lies at the point $m_D = 0$ and $m_H = 0$, and no dynamical mass generation

- ▶ at $g < 0$ the global minimum is achieved at

$$(m_D = -g/2, m_H = 0) \quad \text{and} \quad (m_D = 0, m_H = -g/2)$$

- ▶ at $\lambda > \lambda_0$ — **symmetries of the model are broken**
- ▶ at $\lambda < \lambda_0$ — **symmetry of the model remains intact**

$\lambda < \lambda_0$ - symmetry of the model remains intact

Since $\lambda_0 \rightarrow \infty$ at $N \rightarrow \infty$

we may conclude that **in the limit of large N** there is no **dynamical mass generation** in Thirring model

The global minimum is achieved at

$$(m_D = -g/2, m_H = 0) \quad \text{and} \quad (m_D = 0, m_H = -g/2)$$

and is degenerate

Spontaneous symmetry
breaking
in generalized Thirring model

Lagrangian of Thirring model

$$L = \bar{\Psi}_k \gamma^\nu i \partial_\nu \Psi_k - \frac{G_v}{2N} (\bar{\Psi}_k \gamma^\mu \Psi_k) (\bar{\Psi}_k \gamma_\mu \Psi_k) + \\ + \frac{G_s}{2N} (\bar{\Psi}_k \tau \Psi_k)^2$$

$k = 1, \dots, N$ is a number of flavours, and $\tau = -i\gamma^3\gamma^5$

It is invariant under the transformations

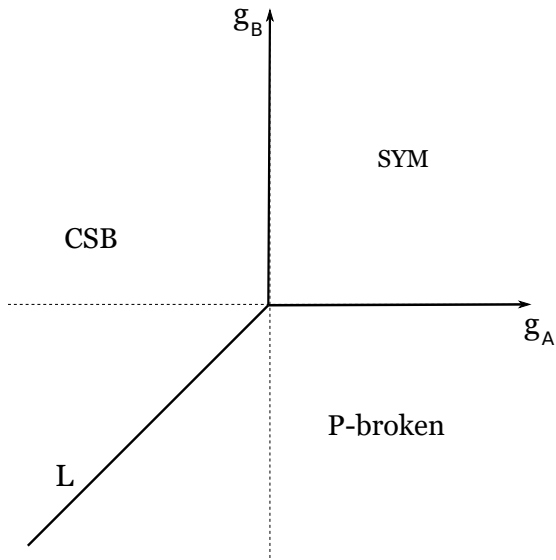
$$U(N), \quad U(2N), \quad \Gamma_3, \quad \Gamma_5, \quad \mathcal{P}$$

Let us explore, using the CJT approach, the possibility of mass term

$$i\overline{S}^{-1} = (\hat{p} + m_D + m_H\tau) = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{p} + m_D + m_H, & 0 \\ 0, & -\tilde{p} + m_D - m_H \end{pmatrix}$$

i. e.

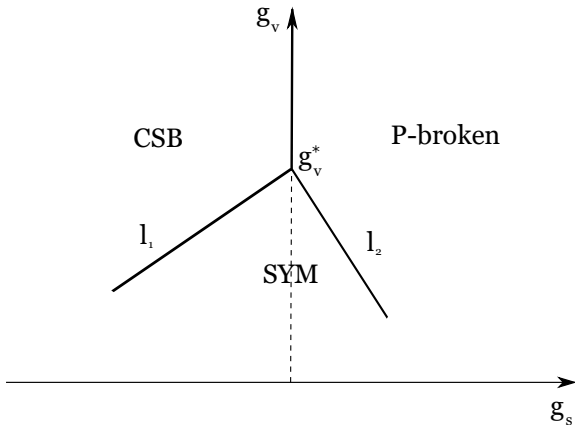
$$\overline{S}(p) = -i \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\tilde{p} - m_D - m_H}{p^2 - (m_D + m_H)^2}, & 0 \\ 0, & \frac{-\tilde{p} - m_D + m_H}{p^2 - (m_D - m_H)^2} \end{pmatrix}$$



In terms of other
more natural and
physically
acceptable
dimensionless
coupling constants

$$g_s \equiv \Lambda G_s$$

$$g_v \equiv \Lambda G_v$$



Spontaneous non-hermiticity in Thirring model

Let us explore, using the CJT approach, the possibility of mass term

$$\mathcal{M}_H = \bar{\Psi}_k (m_H \tau + m_D + im_5 \gamma^5 + im_3 \gamma^3) \Psi_k$$

i. e.

$$\overline{S^{-1}}(p) = i (\hat{p} + m_H \tau + m_D + im_5 \gamma^5 + im_3 \gamma^3)$$

- ▶ at $g > 0$ its global minimum lies at the point

$$m_D = 0, m_H = 0, m_3 = 0 \text{ and } m_5 = 0$$

and no dynamical mass generation

- ▶ at $g < 0$ the global minimum is achieved at

$$(m_H = -g/2, \Sigma = 0) \text{ and } (m_H = 0, \Sigma = -g/2)$$

$$\Sigma^2 \equiv m_D^2 + m_5^2 + m_3^2 = g^2/4$$

the non-Hermitian mass term \mathcal{M}_{NH}

$$\mathcal{M}_{NH} = \bar{\Psi}_k (m_H \tau + \eta \cdot m_D + \vartheta \cdot i m_5 \gamma^5 + \kappa \cdot i m_3 \gamma^3) \Psi_k$$

where each of the multipliers η, ϑ, κ is either 1 or i and all mass parameters m_H, m_D, m_5, m_3 are real quantities

► at $g > 0$

- (i) $\bar{\Psi}_k(m_D - m_5\gamma^5 + im_3\gamma^3)\Psi_k$ where $m_D^2 + m_3^2 = m_5^2$,
- (ii) $\bar{\Psi}_k(im_D + im_5\gamma^5 + im_3\gamma^3)\Psi_k$ where $m_5^2 + m_3^2 = m_D^2$,
- (iii) $\bar{\Psi}_k(im_D - m_5\gamma^5 + im_3\gamma^3)\Psi_k$ where $m_D^2 + m_5^2 = m_3^2$,
- (iv) $\bar{\Psi}_k(im_D + im_5\gamma^5 - m_3\gamma^3)\Psi_k$ where $m_D^2 + m_3^2 = m_5^2$,
- (v) $\bar{\Psi}_k(m_D - m_5\gamma^5 - m_3\gamma^3)\Psi_k$ where $m_5^2 + m_3^2 = m_D^2$

the corresponding to non-Hermitian mass term

$\bar{\Psi}_k(m_D + im_5\gamma^5 - m_3\gamma^3)\Psi_k$ fermion propagator $\bar{S}(p)$ looks like

$$\bar{S}(p) = -i(\hat{p} + m_D + i\gamma^5 m_5 - \gamma^3 m_3)/p^2$$

► at $g < 0$

In the case $m_H = -g/2$ and $\tilde{\Sigma} = 0$

- (i) $\bar{\Psi}_k(m_H\tau + m_D + im_5\gamma^5 - m_3\gamma^3)\Psi_k$ with $m_D^2 + m_5^2 = m_3^2$,
- (ii) $\bar{\Psi}_k(m_H\tau + m_D - m_5\gamma^5 + im_3\gamma^3)\Psi_k$ with $m_D^2 + m_3^2 = m_5^2$,
- (iii) $\bar{\Psi}_k(m_H\tau + im_D - m_5\gamma^5 + im_3\gamma^3)\Psi_k$ with $m_D^2 + m_5^2 = m_3^2$,
- (iv) $\bar{\Psi}_k(m_H\tau + im_D + im_5\gamma^5 - m_3\gamma^3)\Psi_k$ with $m_D^2 + m_3^2 = m_5^2$,
- (v) $\bar{\Psi}_k(m_H\tau + im_D + im_5\gamma^5 + im_3\gamma^3)\Psi_k$ with $m_5^2 + m_3^2 = m_D^2$,
- (vi) $\bar{\Psi}_k(m_H\tau + m_D - m_5\gamma^5 - m_3\gamma^3)\Psi_k$ with $m_5^2 + m_3^2 = m_D^2$

the corresponding fermion propagator $\bar{S}(p)$ looks like

$$\bar{S}(p) = -i \frac{\hat{p} + im_D + i\gamma^5 m_5 - \gamma^3 m_3}{p^2 + M_F^2}$$

where $M_F = |g|/2$

- ▶ There has been studied the possibility of the dynamical appearance of both Hermitian and non-Hermitian mass terms in the originally Hermitian massless $(2+1)$ -dimensional GN model
- ▶ the effect of spontaneous non-Hermiticity can be detected only outside the large- N expansion technique
- ▶ There has been shown that parity breaking Haldane mass can be generated dynamically in the model