QCD problem set 6

1. Calculate the following traces:

2. At the lecture we have computed

$$\Delta_{\mu\nu\lambda}(a) = T_{\mu\nu\lambda}(p \to p+a) - T_{\mu\nu\lambda}$$

(shorthand notation: $T_{\mu\nu\lambda}(p \to p + a) = T_{\mu\nu\lambda}(a)$) with the result

$$\Delta_{\mu\nu\lambda}(a) = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \varepsilon_{\alpha\mu\nu\lambda} a^{\alpha} + (\mu \longleftrightarrow \nu, k_1 \leftrightarrow k_2) \,.$$

For

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

calculate

$$k_1^{\mu} \Delta_{\mu\nu\lambda}(a)$$
 and $k_2^{\nu} \Delta_{\mu\nu\lambda}(a)$.

3. In order to check vector current conservation for arbitrary momentum routing we apply the trick analogous to the one used for the axial current:

$$k_1^{\mu} T_{\mu\nu\lambda}(a) = k_1^{\mu} \left(T_{\mu\nu\lambda}(a) - T_{\mu\nu\lambda}(0) \right) + k_1^{\mu} T_{\mu\nu\lambda}(0)$$
$$= k_1^{\mu} \Delta_{\mu\nu\lambda}(a) + k_1^{\mu} T_{\mu\nu\lambda}(0)$$

where

$$T_{\mu\nu\lambda}(0) = -i \int \frac{d^4p}{(2\pi)^4} \operatorname{Tr} \left[\frac{i}{\not p - m} \gamma_\lambda \gamma_5 \frac{i}{(\not p - \not q) - m} \gamma_\nu \frac{i}{(\not p - \not k_1) - m} \gamma_\mu \right] -i \int \frac{d^4p}{(2\pi)^4} \operatorname{Tr} \left[\frac{i}{\not p - m} \gamma_\lambda \gamma_5 \frac{i}{(\not p - \not q) - m} \gamma_\mu \frac{i}{(\not p - \not k_2) - m} \gamma_\nu \right]$$

Use the following tricks

$$k_1 = (p - m) - ((p - k_1) - m)$$

and

$$k_1 = (p - k_2 - m) - ((p - k_1 - k_2) - m) = (p - k_2 - m) - ((p - q) - m)$$

to compute $k_1^{\mu}T_{\mu\nu\lambda}(0)$. The resulting expression a is difference of two terms where the first term is obtained from the second one by a shift $p \to p - k_1$. For such difference we may use

$$\Delta(a) = 2i\pi^2 a^{\mu} \lim_{R \to \infty} P^2 P_{\mu} f(P)$$

where $a = -k_1$ and f(P) is the second trace computed in for large P. Present the final result for $k_1^{\mu}T_{\mu\nu\lambda}(a)$.

4. Hopf integral.

Calculate Hopf integral

$$I = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dx \, e^{iax^2}, \ a > 0$$

as a contour integral over the complex plane. Choose the contour in such a way that the integral $\int dt \, e^{-bt^2}$ with positive *b* and real *t* appears. When the contribution of the large circle can be neglected? Is the phase of the result unique?