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Correlated Dirac Eigenvalues and Axial Anomaly in Chiral Symmetric QCD

In this talk I will present the novel relations between the quark mass derivatives $[\partial^n \rho(\lambda, m_i) / \partial m_i^n]$ of the Dirac eigenvalue spectrum and the $(n + 1)$ -point correlations among the eigenvalues. Using these relations we present lattice QCD results for $\partial^n \rho(\lambda, m_i) / \partial m_i^n$ ($n = 1; 2; 3$) for m_l corresponding to pion masses $m_\pi = 160 - 55 \text{ MeV}$, and at a temperature of about 1.6 times the chiral phase transition temperature. Calculations were carried out using $(2+1)$ avors of highly improved staggered quarks with the physical value of strange quark mass, three lattice spacings $a = 0.2, 0.08, 0.06 \text{ fm}$. We find that $\rho(\lambda \rightarrow 0, m_i)$ develops a peaked structure. This peaked structure arises due to non-Poisson correlations within the infrared part of the Dirac eigenvalue spectrum, becomes sharper as $a \rightarrow 0$, and its amplitude is proportional to m_i^2 . We demonstrate that this $\rho(\lambda \rightarrow 0, m_i)$ is responsible for the manifestations of axial anomaly in two-point correlation functions of light scalar and pseudoscalar mesons. After continuum and chiral extrapolations we find that axial anomaly remains manifested in two-point correlation functions of scalar and pseudoscalar mesons in the chiral limit. This talk is based on our recent published paper [PRL 126 (2021) 082001].

Topics

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