

On the infinite gradient-flow for the domain-wall formulation of chiral lattice gauge theories

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1. Introduction

Background

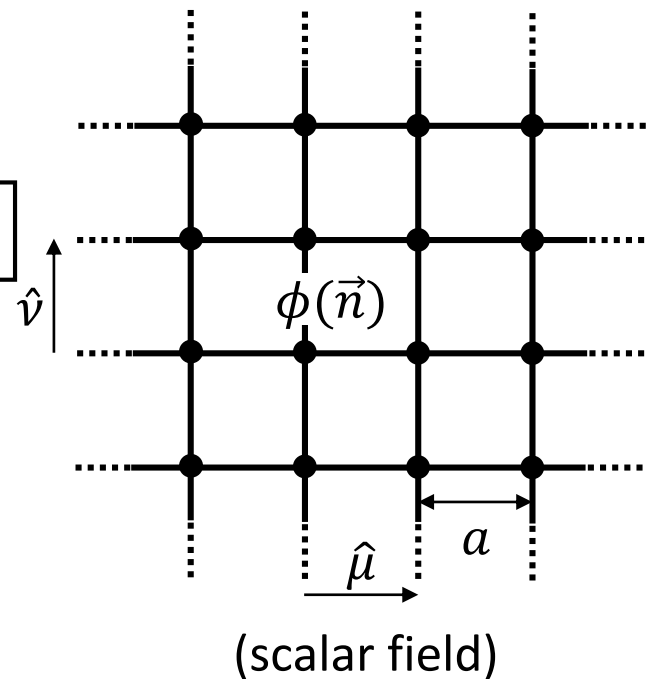
Lattice theory: discretization of a spacetime

expectation value = integration w.r.t. $\phi(\vec{n})$

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \int (\prod d\phi(\vec{n})) \mathcal{O}(\phi) \exp(-S(\phi))$$

approximated by the finite DOF

→ **numerical simulation**



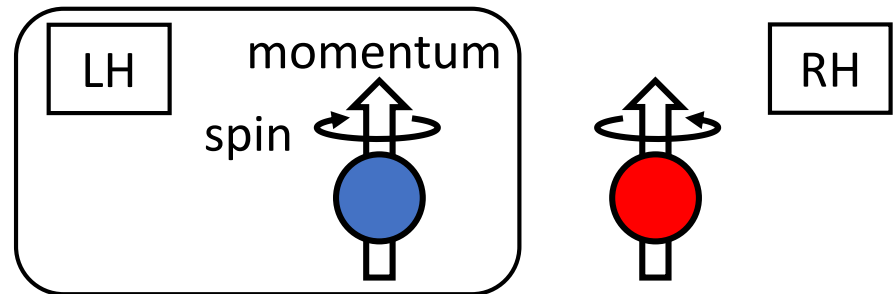
Big problem in lattice gauge theories

(Non-Abelian) chiral gauge theories are not formulated on the lattice

- Standard model is a chiral gauge theory

Chiral gauge theories

LH- and RH-fermions couple to gauge field differently.



Grabowska-Kaplan's formulation

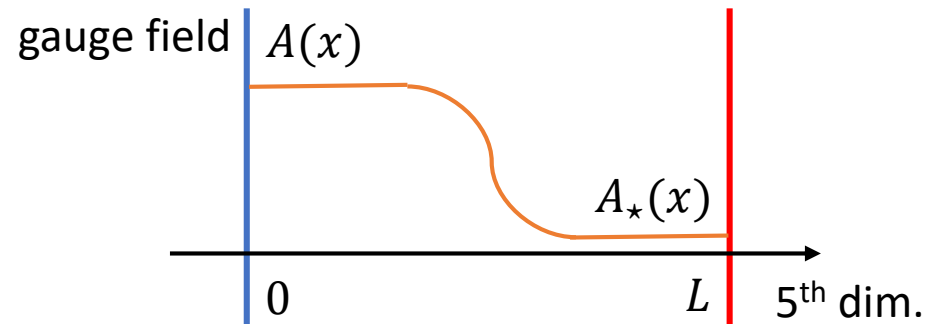
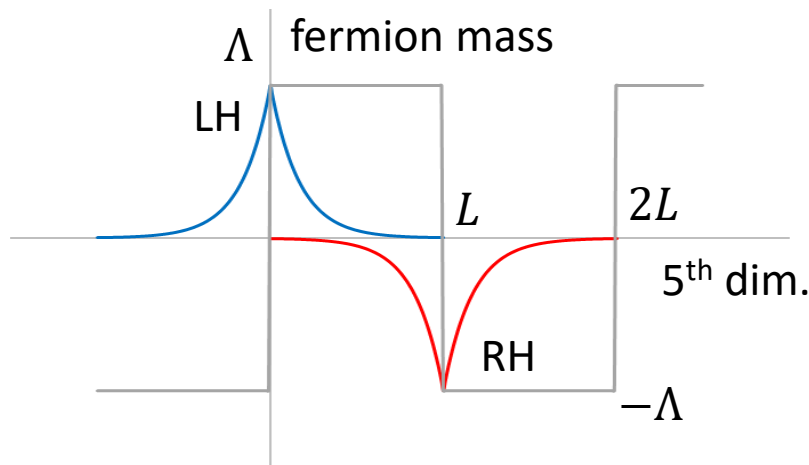
Proposal to formulate chiral gauge theories on the lattice

Grabowska-Kaplan (2015)

Domain-wall [Kaplan (1992)]

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Gradient flow [Luscher (2010)]



- LH and RH are localized around defects
 - gauge fields are damped along 5th dim.
- LH fermions couple to the original gauge field $A_\mu(x)$

Plan of this talk

Problems of GK's proposal

- Formulation and properties of gradient flow on the lattice ?
- Infinite gradient-flow maps gauge fields non-locally



U(1) gauge theory

We examined

- The formulation of gradient flow which satisfies “admissibility”
- Relation of GK's formulation and Luscher's one
- Locality of GK's formulation

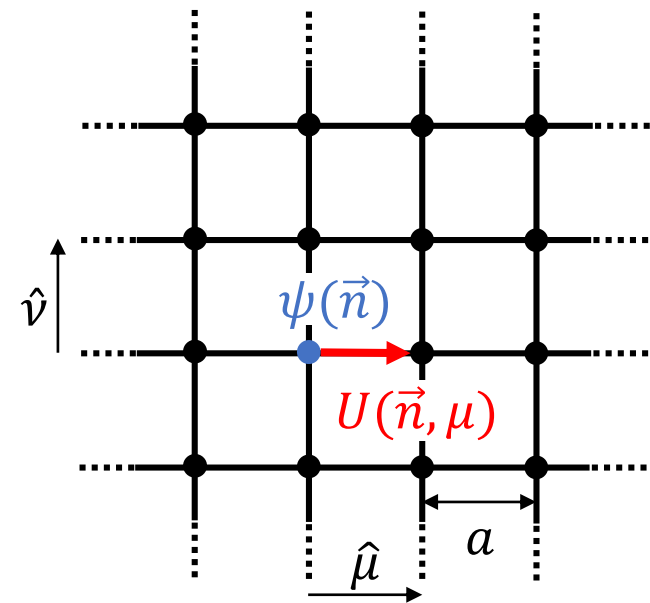
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2. Luscher's formulation

Lattice fermions

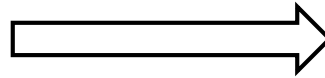
Fermion fields $\psi(\vec{n})$ are defined on the sites
 Gauge fields $U(\vec{n}, \mu)$ are defined on the links



continuum

covariant derivative

$$(\partial_\mu + A_\mu)\psi(x)$$



lattice

“covariant difference”

$$\frac{1}{2a} [U(n, \mu)\psi(n + \hat{\mu}) - U^\dagger(n - \mu, \mu)\psi(n - \hat{\mu})]$$

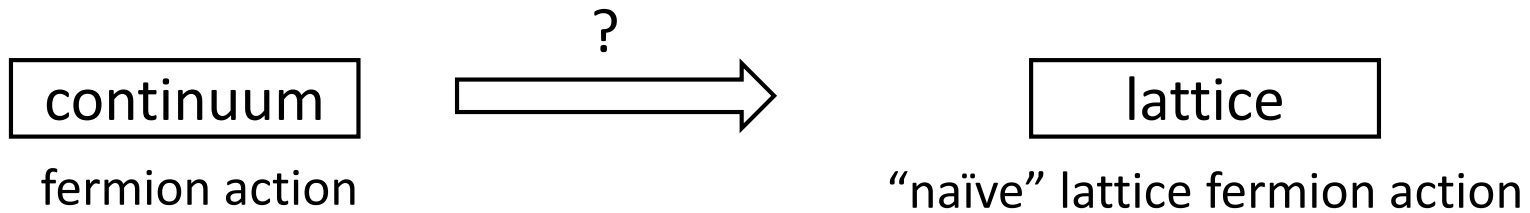
- Gauge covariance

$$U(n, \mu) \rightarrow g_n U(n, \mu) g_{n+\mu}^\dagger$$

- Continuum limit

$$U(n, \mu) \sim \exp[iagA_\mu(na + 1/2\hat{\mu}a)]$$

Lattice fermions



$$S = \int dx^4 \bar{\psi}(x) (\gamma_\mu D_\mu) \psi(x)$$

$$S_{\text{lat.}} = a^4 \sum_n \bar{\psi}(n) \sum_\mu \frac{U(n, \mu) \psi(n + \hat{\mu}) - U^\dagger(n - \mu, \mu) \psi(n - \hat{\mu})}{2a}$$

✓ chiral symmetry + gauge invariance

- But propagator

$$G_F = (a^{-1} i \gamma_\mu \sin p_\mu a + m)^{-1}$$

has 16 poles

⇒ 16 particles (=doubblers)

- Fermion measure is invariant under chiral transformation

⇒ No chiral anomaly (physically necessary to explain U(1) problem)

Nielsen-Ninomiya theorem

Nielsen-Ninomiya (1981)

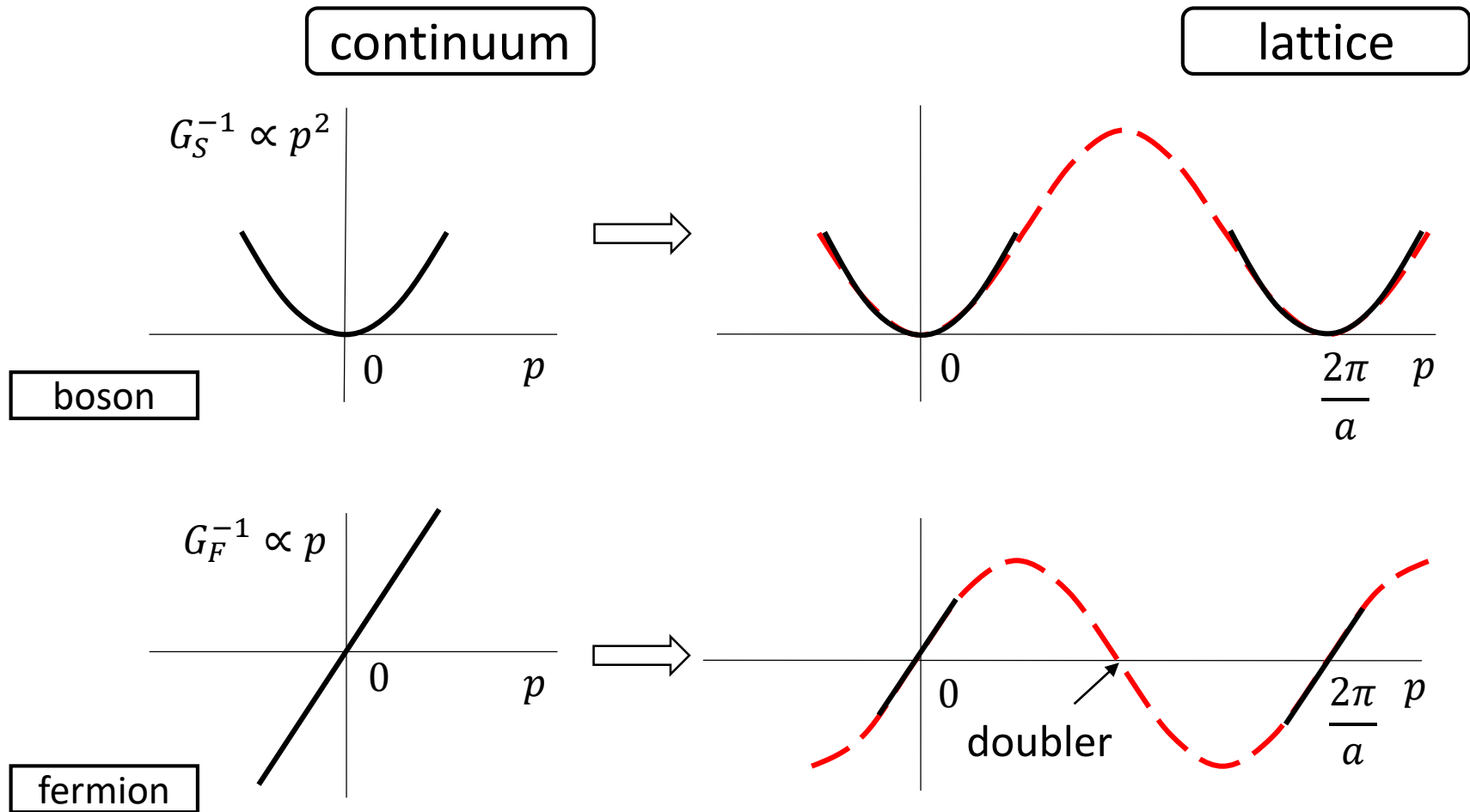
A lattice fermion action

$$S_{\text{lat.}} = \int_{-\pi/a}^{\pi/a} \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \bar{\psi}(-p) D_{\text{lat.}}(p) \psi(p)$$

cannot have the operator $D_{\text{lat.}}(p)$ satisfying the following conditions simultaneously:

1. $D_{\text{lat.}}(p)$ is periodic, analytic function of p_μ (locality)
2. $D_{\text{lat.}}(p) \propto \gamma_\mu p_\mu$ for $a|p_\mu| \ll 1$ (continuum limit)
3. $D_{\text{lat.}}(p) = 0$ only if $p_\mu = 0$ (no doublers)
4. $\gamma_5 D_{\text{lat.}}(p) + D_{\text{lat.}}(p) \gamma_5 = 0$ (chiral symmetry)

Intuitive explanation



Ginsparg-Wilson relation

To avoid the doubling problem, one of the conditions need be violated. $\Rightarrow$ chiral symmetry is not exact

Ginsparg-Wilson relation [Ginsparg-Wilson (1982)]

$$D\gamma_5 + \gamma_5 D = aD\gamma_5 D$$

- Exact “lattice chiral symmetry” [Luscher (1998)]

$$\begin{aligned}\delta\psi &= \gamma_5(1 - aD)\psi, & \delta\bar{\psi} &= \bar{\psi}\gamma_5 \\ \Rightarrow \delta[\Sigma_n \bar{\psi}(n)D\psi(n)] &= 0\end{aligned}$$

- Chiral anomaly [Luscher (1998)]

$$\delta \prod_x d\psi(x) d\bar{\psi}(x) = 2N_f \text{index}(D) \prod_x d\psi(x) d\bar{\psi}(x)$$

- Overlap fermion [Neuberger (1998)] satisfies GW relation

Luscher's formulation

U(1) chiral lattice gauge theories with exact gauge invariance
Luscher (1999)

Starting point

Ginsparg-Wilson relation (“chiral symmetry” on the lattice)

$$\gamma_5 D + D \hat{\gamma}_5 = 0, \quad \hat{\gamma}_5 = \gamma_5 (1 - D)$$

Projection operators: $P_{\pm} = \frac{1 \pm \gamma_5}{2}, \quad \hat{P}_{\pm} = \frac{1 \pm \hat{\gamma}_5}{2}$

LH-fermions: $\psi_{-}(x) = \hat{P}_{-} \psi(x), \quad \bar{\psi}_{-}(x) = \bar{\psi}(x) P_{+}$

⇒ Action of LH-fermions: $S_F = \sum_x \bar{\psi}_{-}(x) D \psi_{-}(x)$

(Invariant under “lattice chiral transformation”)

Luscher's formulation

Fermion Measure: $D[\psi_-]D[\bar{\psi}_-] = \prod_j dc_j \prod_k d\bar{c}_k$

$$\psi_-(x) = \sum_j v_j(x) c_j, \quad \bar{\psi}_-(x) = \sum_k \bar{c}_k \bar{v}_k(x)$$

$(v_j(x), \bar{v}_k(x))$: basis vectors)

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{P}_- v_j &= v_j, & (v_k, v_j) &= \delta_{kj} \\ \bar{v}_k P_+ &= \bar{v}_k, & (\bar{v}_k, \bar{v}_j) &= \delta_{kj} \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$ Effective action: $\Gamma[U] = \log \det M, \quad M_{kj} = \bar{v}_k D v_j$

Effective action is gauge invariant ?

Luscher's formulation

- $\hat{P}_-$ depends on the gauge fields $U(x, \mu)$ (basis vectors v_j also do)

Variation of a link field: $\delta_\eta U(x, \mu) = i\eta_\mu(x)U(x, \mu)$

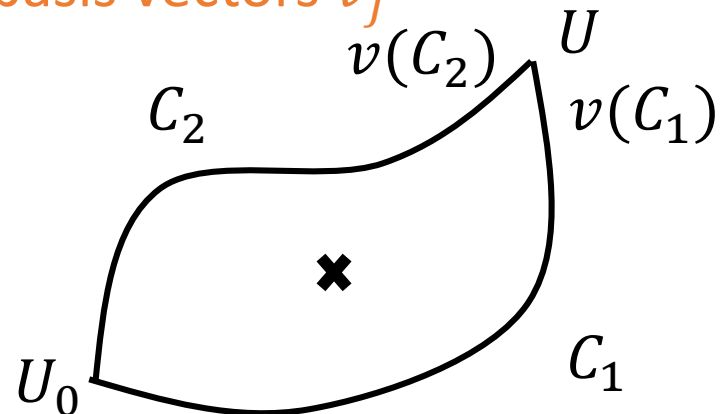
$$\delta_\eta \Gamma[U] = \text{Tr } P_+ \delta_\eta D D^{-1} + \underbrace{\sum_j (v_j, \delta_\eta v_j)}_{\equiv -i\mathcal{L}_\eta \text{ (measure term)}}$$

$\Gamma[U]$ depends on the choice of basis vectors v_j

How to fix basis vectors v_j ?

$$v_j(C_2) = v_i(C_1) Q_{ij}^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L}_\eta(C_2) = \mathcal{L}_\eta(C_1) - i\delta_\eta \ln \det Q$$



Luscher's formulation

Suppose $\mathcal{L}_\eta = \sum_x \eta_\mu(x) j_\mu(x)$ satisfies the following condition

Then there exist a smooth fermion measure

1. $j_\mu(x)$ depends smoothly on the “admissible” link fields $U(x, \mu)$
2. $j_\mu(x)$ is gauge-invariant and transforms as an axial vector
3. Integrability condition: $\delta_\eta \mathcal{L}_\zeta - \delta_\zeta \mathcal{L}_\eta = i \text{Tr} \hat{P}_- [\delta_\eta \hat{P}_-, \delta_\zeta \hat{P}_-]$
4. anomalous conservation law: $\partial_\mu^* j_\mu(x) = \text{tr} Q \gamma_5 (1 - D)(x, x)$

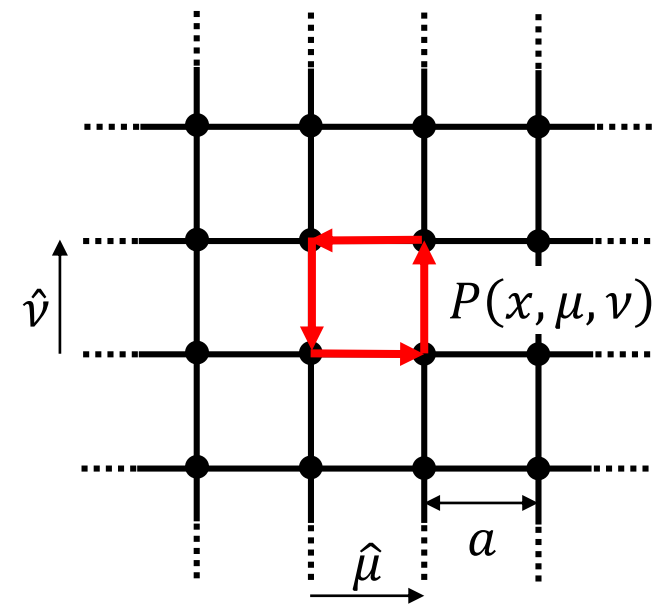
Such a $j_\mu(x)$ can be explicitly constructed in U(1) gauge theories if the anomaly cancellation condition is satisfied

Problem: non-Abelian case ?

Admissibility

- Admissibility condition

$$|F_{\mu\nu}(x)| < \epsilon \quad \text{for all } x, \mu, \nu$$



$$F_{\mu\nu}(x) = i^{-1} \log P(x, \mu, \nu), \quad -\pi < F_{\mu\nu} < \pi,$$

$$P(x, \mu, \nu) = U(x, \mu)U(x + \mu, \nu)U(x + \nu, \mu)^{-1}U(x, \nu)^{-1}$$

Admissibility is the constraint on the gauge fields

- Overlap operator is local $\|D(x, y)\| \leq \kappa e^{-\|x-y\|_1/\rho}$
- Topological structure $\sum_x [-\text{tr } \gamma_5 D(x, x)] = (\text{integer})$

Gradient flow should satisfy the admissibility condition

3. Grabowska-Kaplan's formulation

Domain-wall fermion

Kaplan (1992)

- 5D Dirac equation with s -dependent mass in $\mathbb{R}^4 \times \mathbb{R}$

$$\left(\gamma_\mu D_\mu + \gamma_5 \partial_s + m(s) \right) \Psi(x, s) = 0$$

$$m(s) = \begin{cases} +\Lambda & (s > 0) \\ -\Lambda & (s < 0) \end{cases}$$

Massless solution: $\Psi(x, s) = e^{-\Lambda|s|} P_+ \psi(x)$, $\gamma_\mu D_\mu \psi(x) = 0$

Massive solution: (mass) $> \mathcal{O}(\Lambda)$

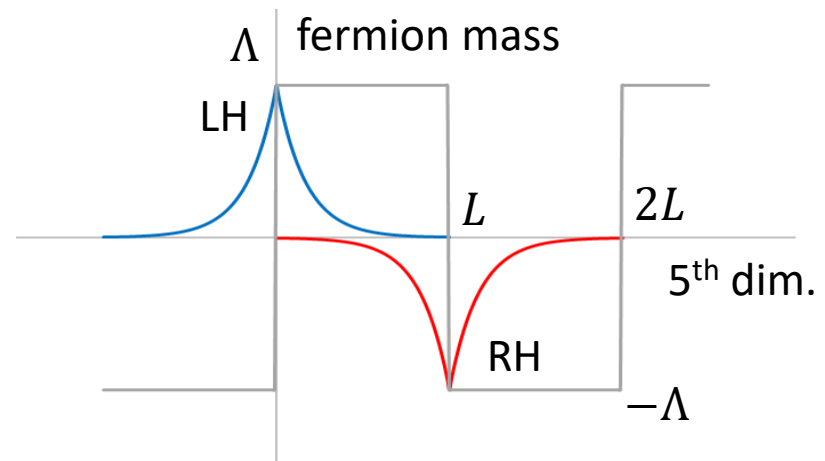
- Periodic boundary condition

$$\Psi(x, s + 2L) = \Psi(x, s)$$

$\Rightarrow$ LH is localized around $s = 0$

RH is localized around $s = L$

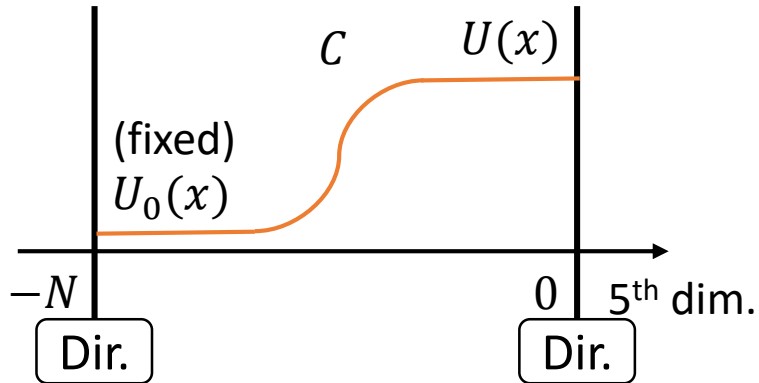
- Heavy modes do not contribute to the effective low energy theory



CGT with DW fermions Kikukawa (2002)

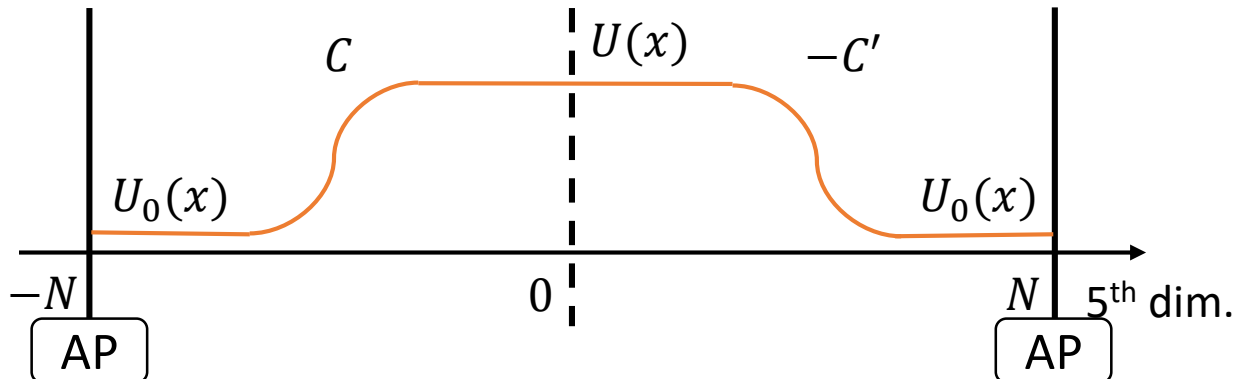
Domain wall fermion + interpolation of the gauge field

Dirichlet boundary condition



$\det(D_{5\text{w}} - m_0) |_{\text{Dir.}}$ depends on the path C (not gauge invariant)
 $\Rightarrow$ subtract by $\det(D_{5\text{w}} - m_0) |_{\text{AP}}$

Antiperiodic boundary condition



CGT with DW fermions Kikukawa (2002)

- Path dependence of the real part is subtracted by $\det(D_{5w} - m_0) |_{AP}$

$$\left(\ln \det(D_{5w} - m_0) \Big|_{\text{Dir.}}^{C_2} - 1/2 \ln \det(D_{5w} - m_0) \Big|_{AP}^{C_2 + (-C_2)} \right) - (C_2 \leftrightarrow C_1)$$

$$= i \text{Im} \ln \det(D_{5w} - m_0) \Big|_{AP}^{C_2 + (-C_1)} \quad (N \rightarrow \infty)$$

- Suppose the lattice Chern-Simons term is expressed by a local gauge invariant function $q_{5w}(x, s)$

$$\text{Im} \ln \det(D_{5w} - m_0) \Big|_{AP}^{C_2 + (-C_1)} \rightarrow \sum_s \sum_x q_{5w}(x, s) = C_{5w}^{C_2} - C_{5w}^{C_1}$$

$\Rightarrow \frac{\det(D_{5w} - m_0) |_{\text{Dir.}}^C}{|\det(D_{5w} - m_0) |_{AP}^{C + (-C)}|^{1/2}} e^{-i C_{5w}^C}$ is path independent and gauge-invariant

- $q_{5w}(x, s)$ can be explicitly constructed in U(1) gauge theories

Problem: non-Abelian case ? $\Rightarrow$ proposal: gradient flow

Gradient flow

Lüscher (2010)

$$\partial_t \bar{A}_\mu(x, t) = -g_0^2 \frac{\delta S_G}{\delta \bar{A}_\mu} = -D_\nu \bar{F}_{\mu\nu}(x, t), \quad \bar{A}_\mu(x, 0) = A_\mu(x)$$

ex: 2D U(1) gauge field

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variables of path integral

$\bar{A}_\mu$ is decomposed into gauge and physical DOF

$$\bar{A}_\mu = \partial_\mu \omega + \epsilon_{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu \lambda$$

Each DOF is evolved by the following equations:

$$\partial_t \omega = 0 \quad (\text{constant})$$

$$\partial_t \lambda = \partial_\mu \partial_\mu \lambda \quad (\text{damping})$$

- Gradient flow is a gauge covariant equation
- $\bar{A}_\mu(x, \infty)$ is a pure gauge in the U(1) gauge theories
- In non-Abelian cases, $\bar{A}_\mu(x, \infty)$ is a local minimum of the action S_G

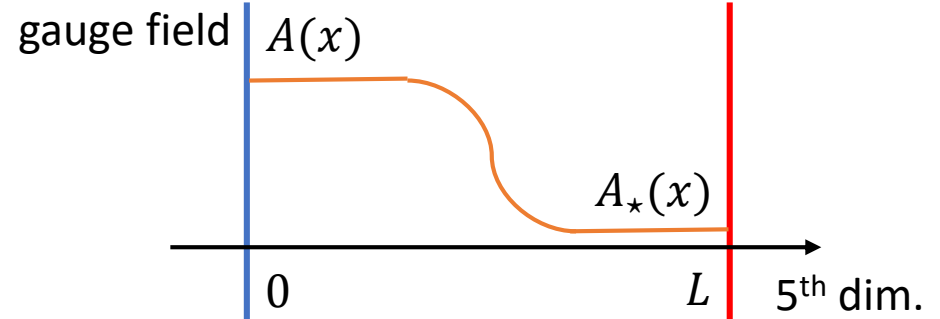
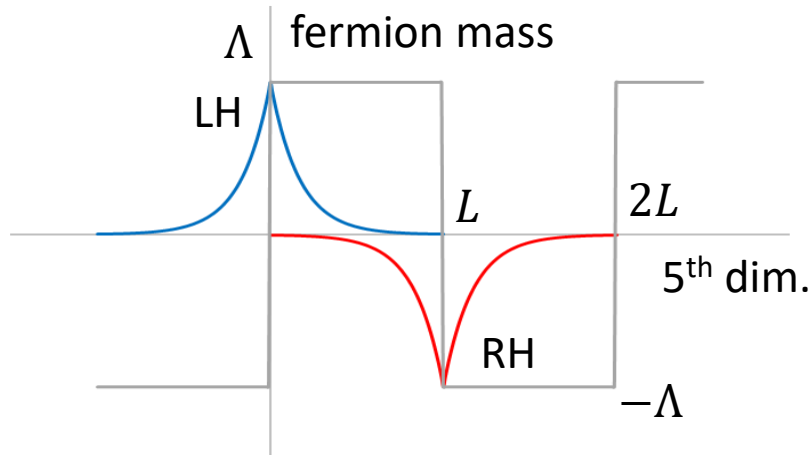
DW fermion + gradient flow

Grabowska-Kaplan (2015)

Domain-wall

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Gradient flow



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- gauge fields are damped along 5th dim.

$$\Lambda \rightarrow \infty, L \rightarrow \infty$$

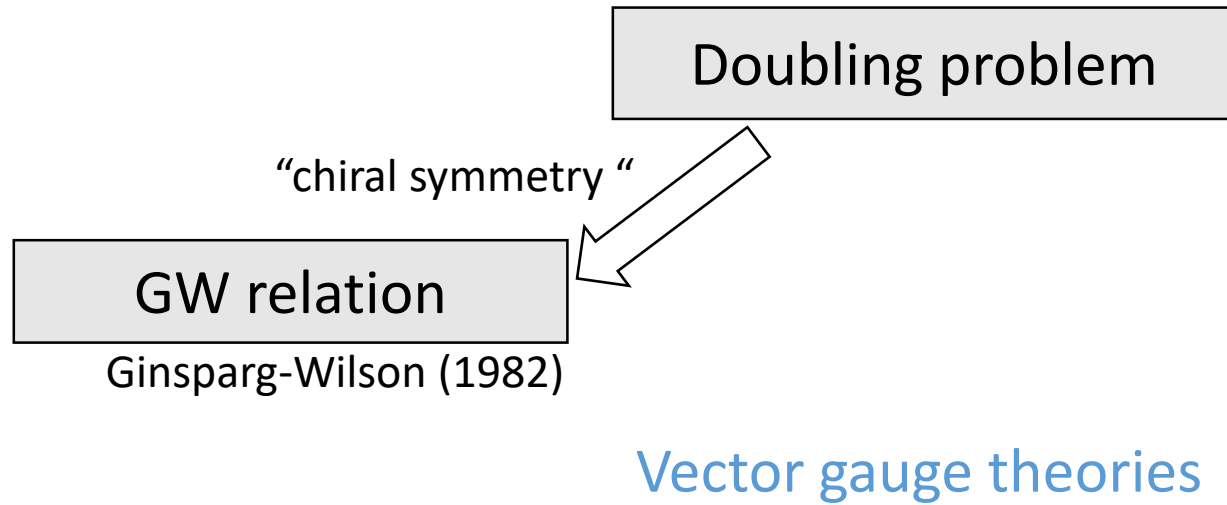
$\Rightarrow$ only LH-fermions couple to the physical modes of A_μ
(In U(1) theories, RH-fermions couple to the gauge modes of A_μ)

3.5. Short summary

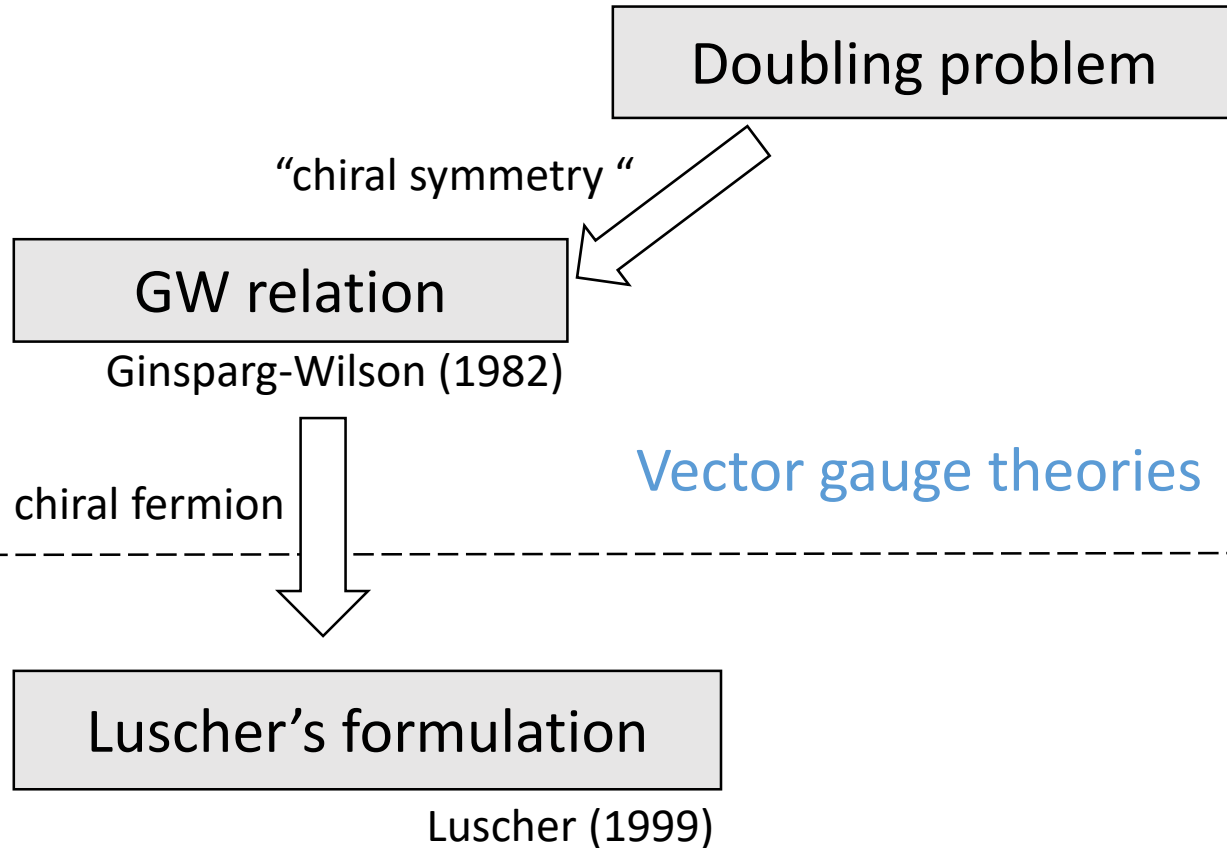
DW fermion and GW relation

Doubling problem

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Doubling problem

“chiral symmetry”

GW relation

Ginsparg-Wilson (1982)

chiral fermion

Vector gauge theories

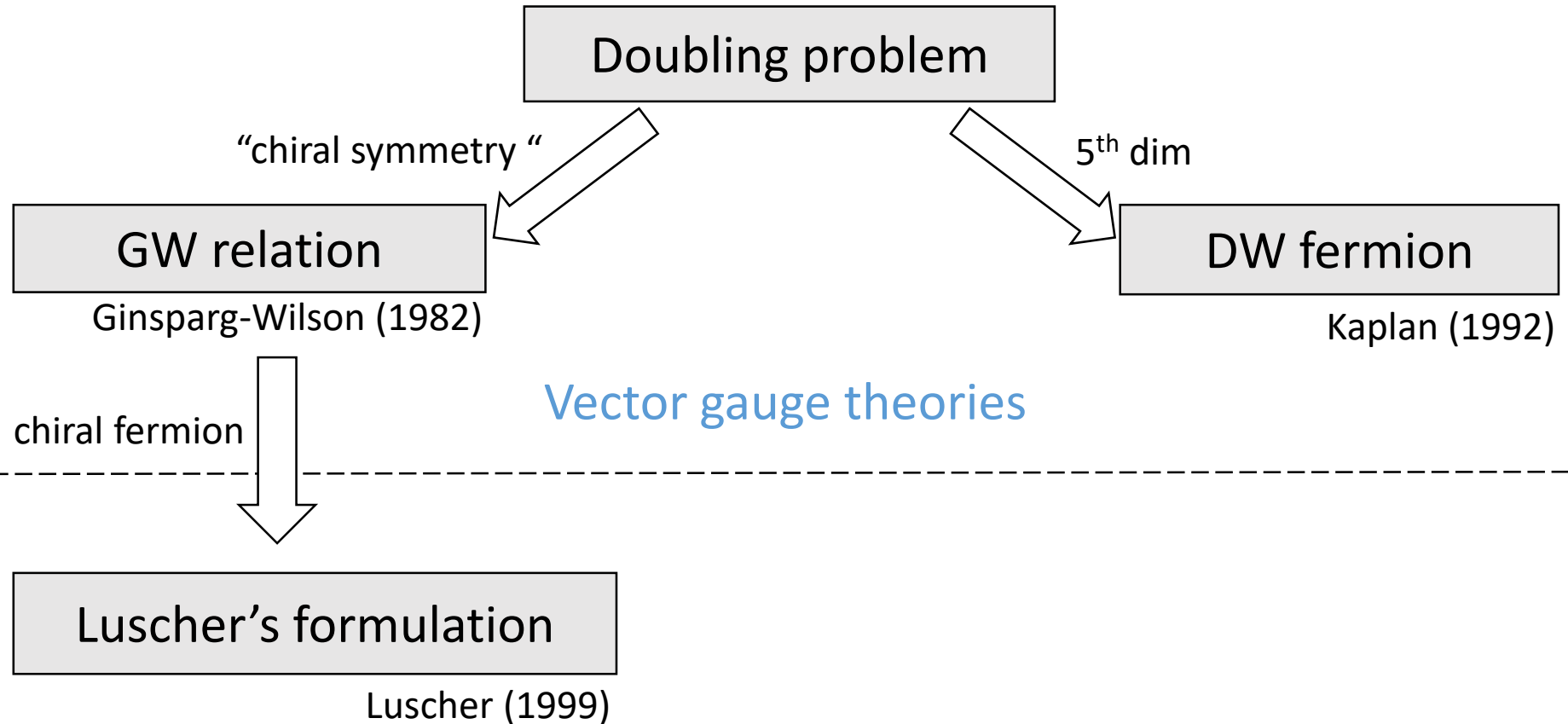
Luscher's formulation

Luscher (1999)

explicit solution in non-abelian gauge theories?

Chiral gauge theories

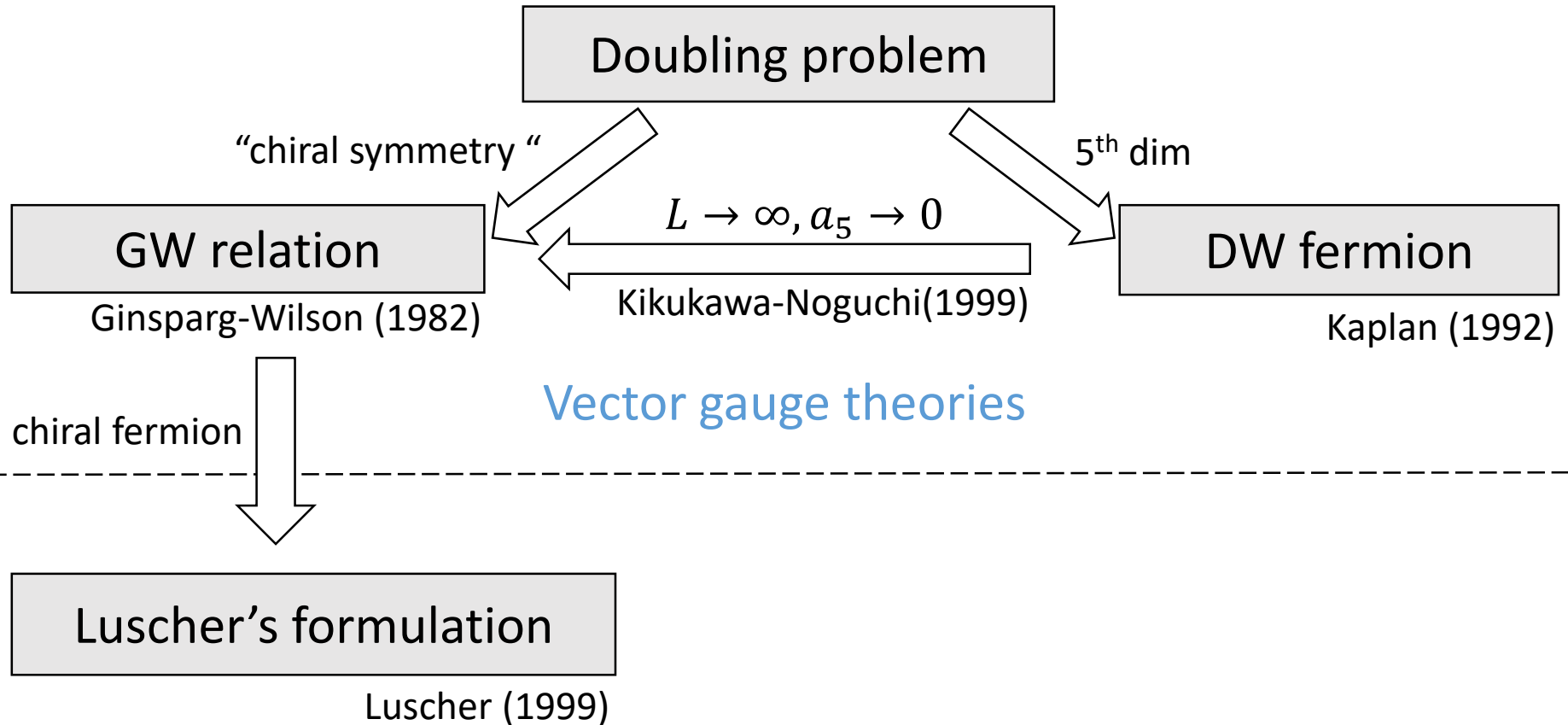
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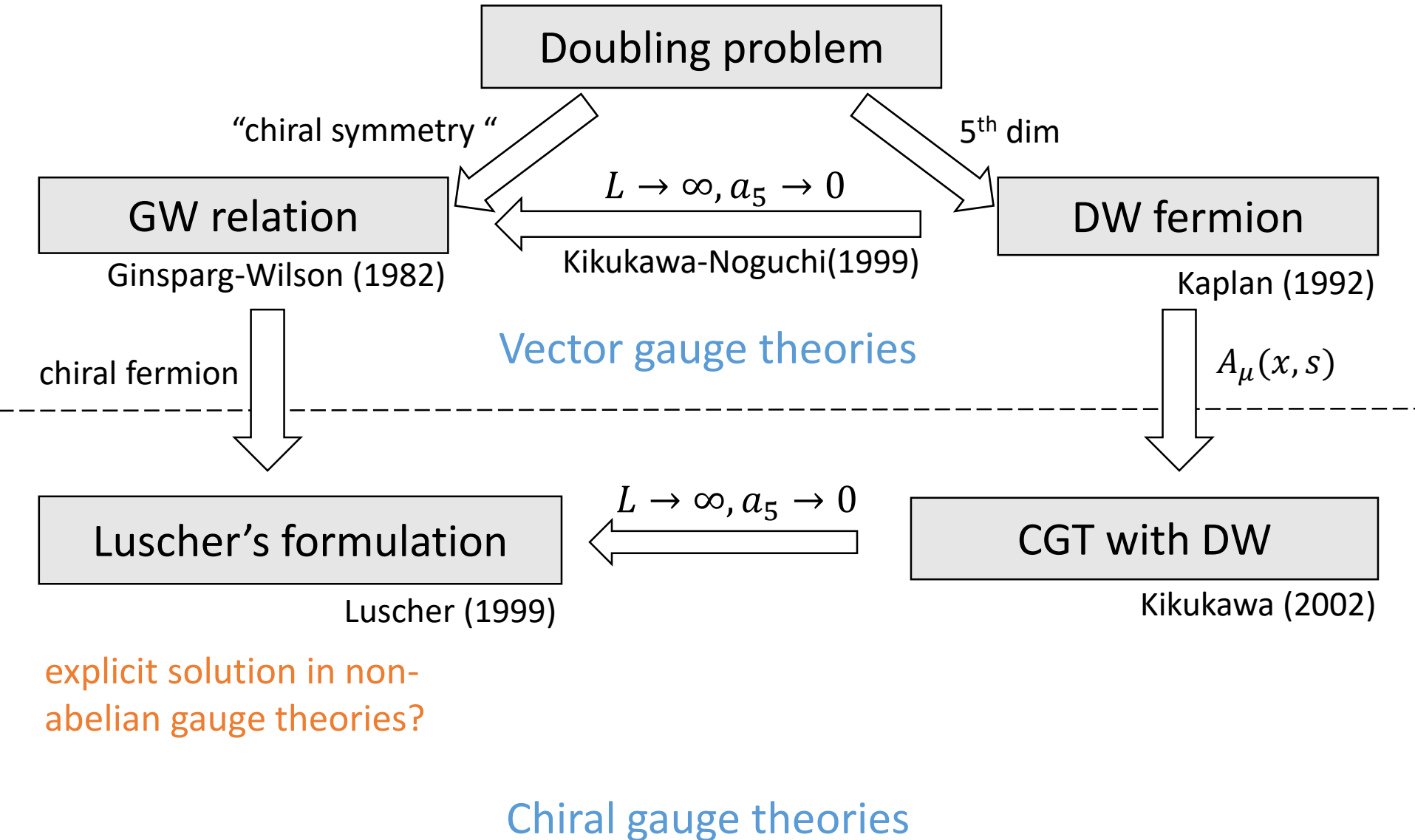
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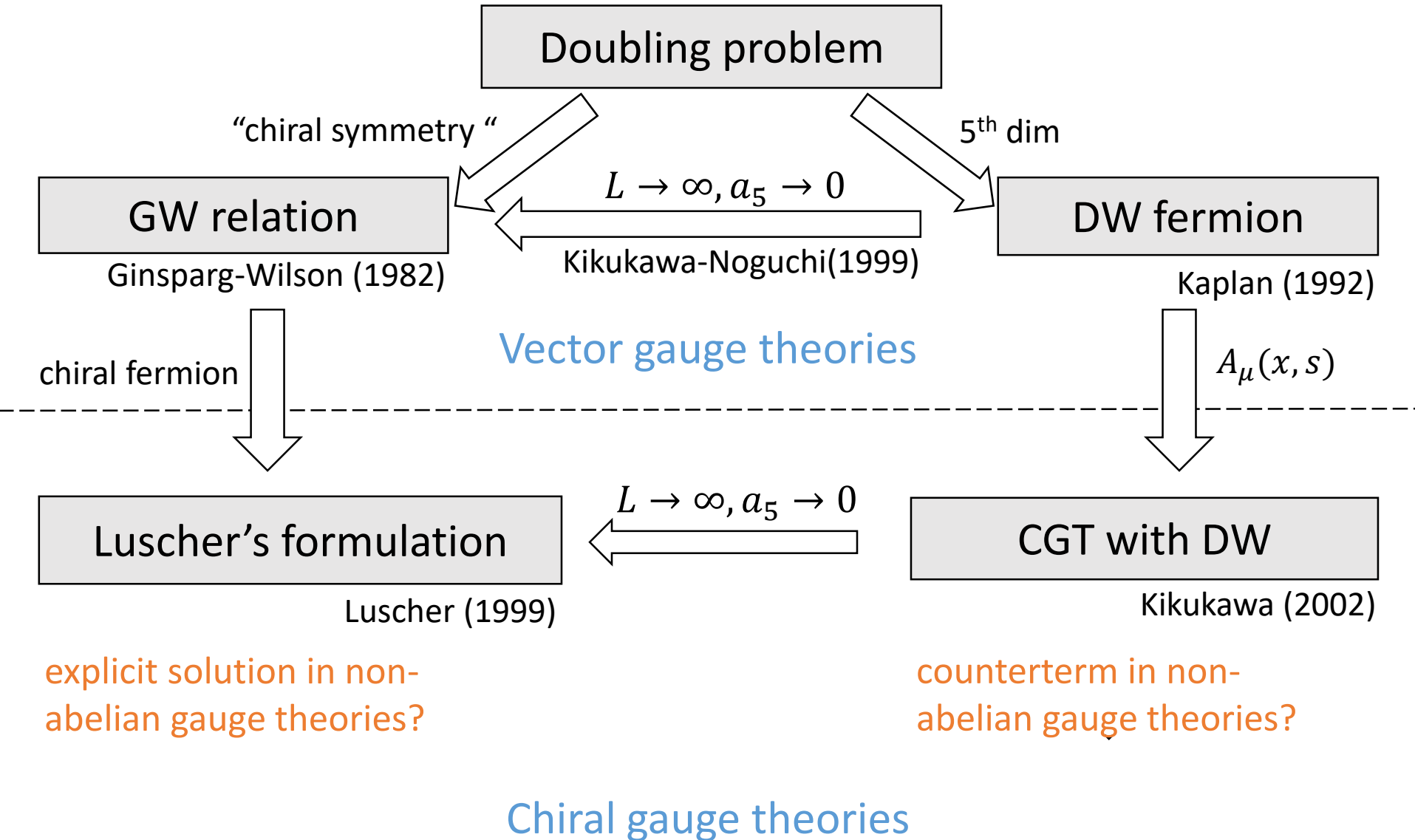


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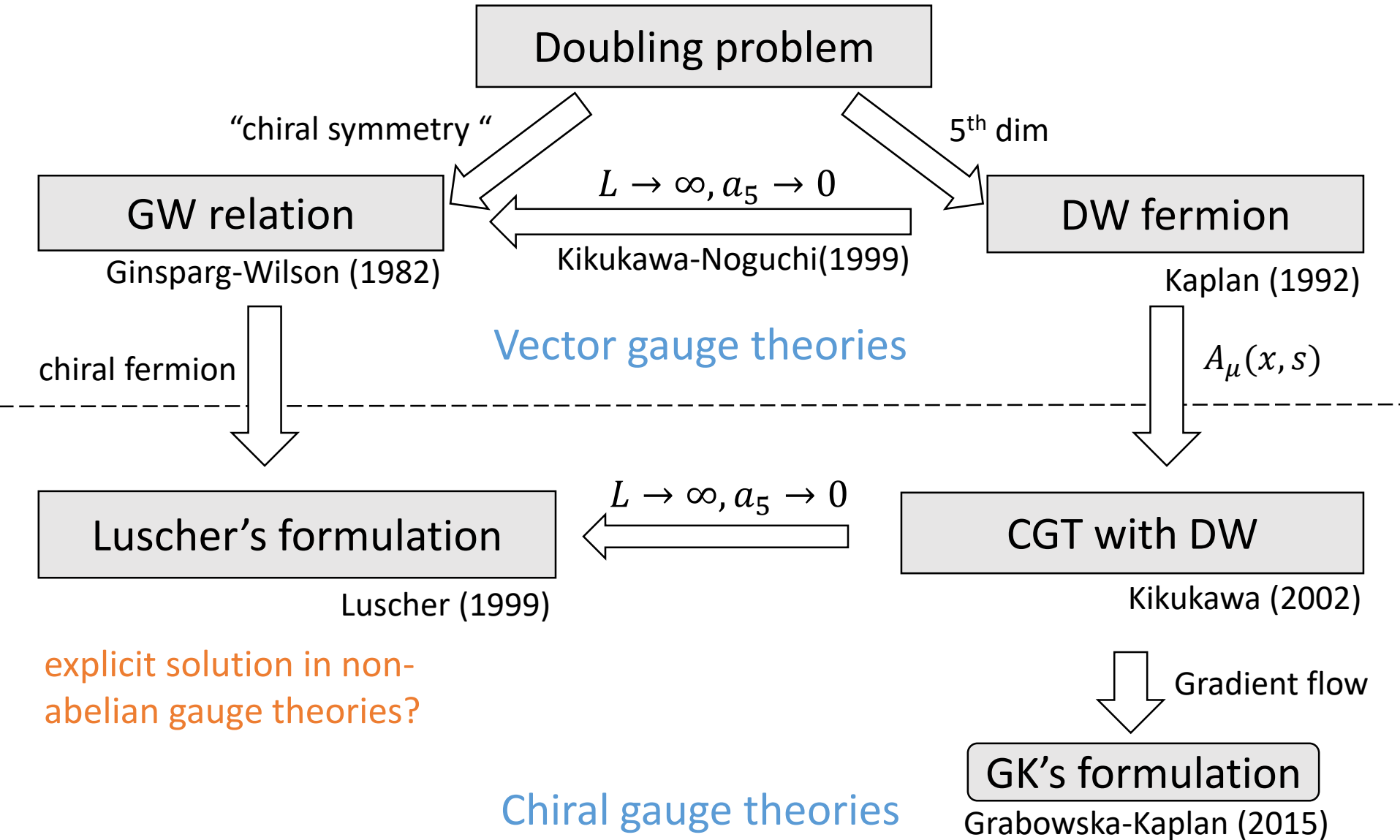
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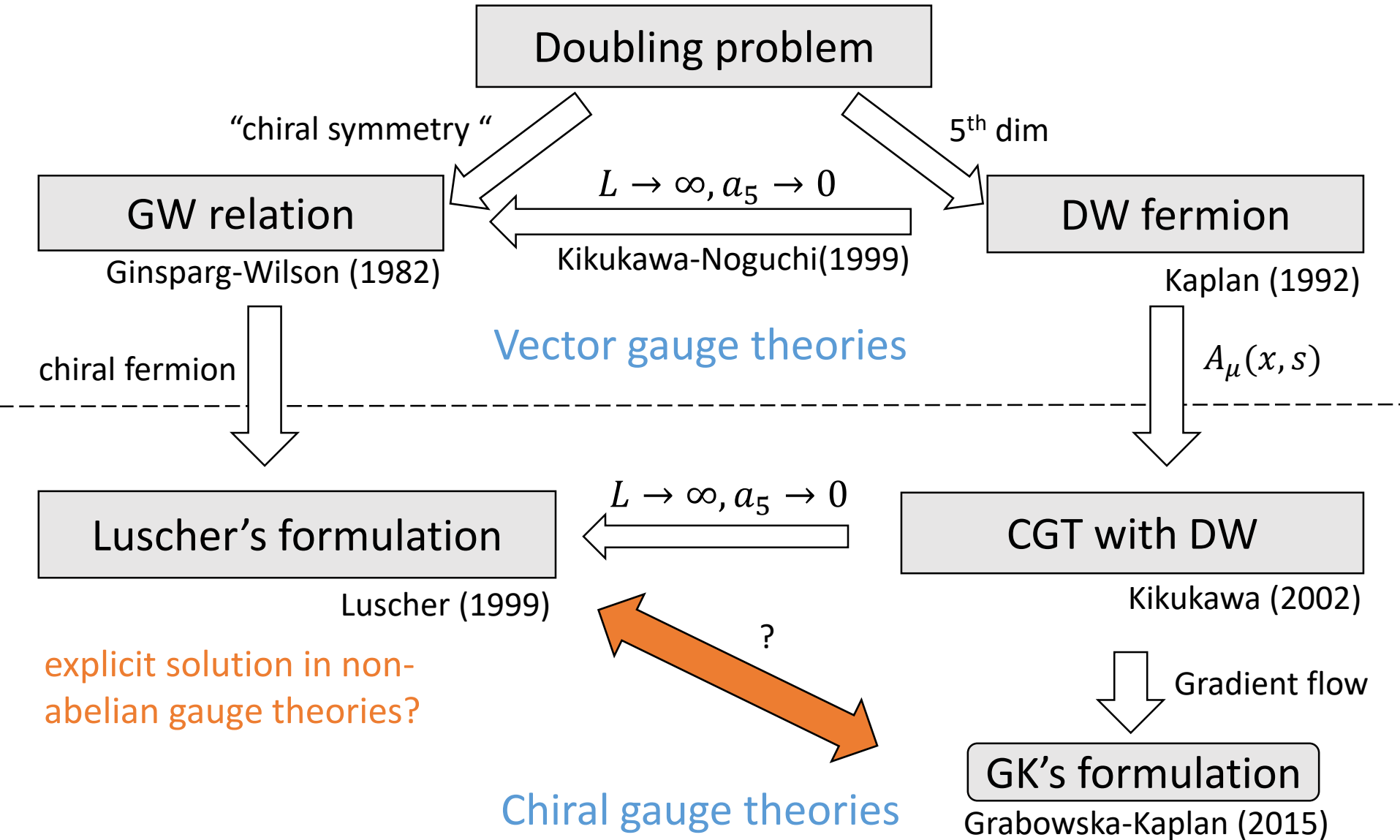
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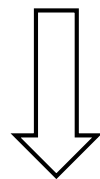
4. Relation of two formulations

Gradient flow

$$\partial_t \bar{A}_\mu(x, t) = -g_0^2 \frac{\delta S_{\mathcal{G}}}{\delta \bar{A}_\mu} = -D_\nu \bar{F}_{\mu\nu}(x, t)$$

lattice $\longrightarrow$ $\frac{d}{dt} U_t(x, \mu) = -g_0^2 [\partial_{x,\mu} S(U_t)] U_t(x, \mu)$

Choice of $S(U)$: $S(U) = 1/(4g_0^2) \sum_x F_{\mu\nu}(x)^2$



Assume admissibility

$\Rightarrow$ Bianchi identity: $\epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \partial_\nu F_{\rho\sigma} = 0$

“diffusion eq.”: $\frac{d}{dt} F_{\mu\nu}(x, t) = \partial_\rho^* \partial_\rho F_{\mu\nu}(x, t)$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_\mu f(x) &= f(x + \hat{\mu}) - f(x) \\ \partial_\mu^* f(x) &= f(x) - f(x - \hat{\mu}) \end{aligned}$$

Gradient flow

diffusion equation

$$\frac{d}{dt} F_{\mu\nu}(x, t) = \partial_\rho^* \partial_\rho F_{\mu\nu}(x, t)$$

Maximum principle

Suppose $f(x, t)$ is periodic w.r.t. x , and satisfies

$$\frac{d}{dt} f(x, t) = \partial_\mu^* \partial_\mu f(x, t)$$

Then $f(x, t)$ has a maximum at $t = 0$,

$$\max_{x \in \Gamma, t \in [0, T]} f(x, t) = \max_{x \in \Gamma} f(x, 0)$$

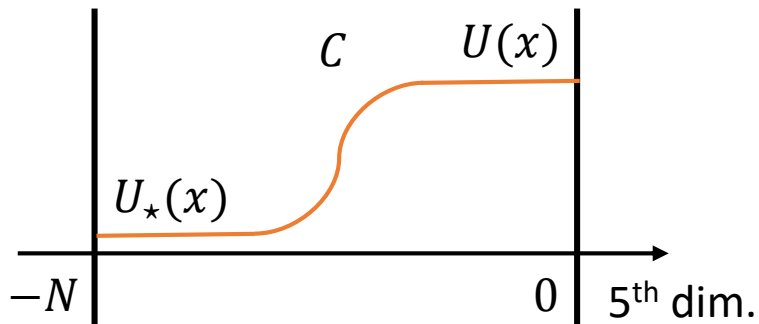
if $F_{\mu\nu}(x, 0)$ satisfies **admissibility**, $F_{\mu\nu}(x, t)$ respects this condition

Relation of the two formulations

$$\exp(\Gamma_{\text{GK}}) \equiv \frac{\det(D_{5\text{w}} - m_0)|_{\text{Dir.}}^C}{\left| \det(D_{5\text{w}} - m_0)|_{\text{AP}}^{C+(-C)} \right|^{1/2}} \quad \text{cf. Kikukawa (2002)}$$

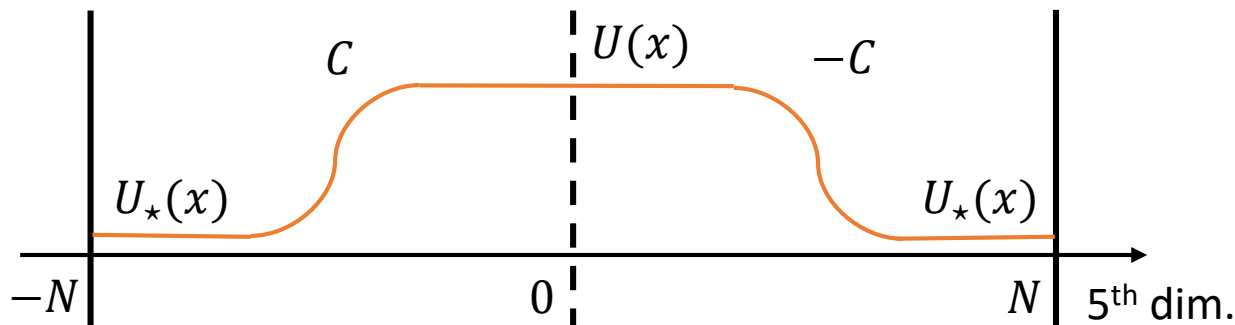
(No counterterm)

Domain wall fermion



LH + RH + massive modes

Pauli-Villars fermion



massive modes

Relation of the two formulations

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(No counterterm)

$(L \rightarrow \infty, a_5 \rightarrow 0)$

$$\partial_s \Gamma_{\text{GK}}[U] \rightarrow \text{Tr } P_+ \partial_s D D^{-1} \big|_{t=0} + (\text{Tr } P_+ \partial_s D D^{-1})^* \big|_{t=-\infty} + \int_{-\infty}^0 dt \text{Tr } \hat{P}_- [\partial_t \hat{P}_-, \partial_s \hat{P}_-]$$

LH

RH

Bulk

Luscher's formulation: $\partial_t \Gamma_{\text{L}}[U] = \text{Tr } P_+ \delta_\eta D D^{-1} - i \mathcal{L}_\eta$

$$\Gamma_{\text{GK}}[U] = \Gamma_{\text{L}}[U] + \Gamma_{\text{L}}[U_\star]^* + i \int_{-\infty}^0 dt \mathcal{L}_\eta$$

$$\eta_\mu = i^{-1} \partial_t U_t(x, \mu) U_t(x, \mu)^{-1}$$

Locality

$$\mathcal{L}_\eta = \sum_x \left(e^{-\square t} \partial_\nu^* F_{\nu\mu}(x) \right) j_\mu(x) \Big|_{U=U_t}$$

$j_\mu(x)$: gauge-invariant local field

- Perturbative analysis in the infinite volume limit

$$j_\mu(p) = \sum_{k \geq 4} \int V_{\mu\mu_1\nu_1 \dots \mu_k\nu_k}^{(k)}(p; p_1, \dots, p_{k-1}) (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(\sum p_i) \prod_{i=1}^k e^{\hat{p}_i^2 t} \tilde{F}_{\mu_i\nu_i}(p_i) \frac{dp_i^4}{(2\pi)^4}$$

$V_{\mu\mu_1\nu_1 \dots \mu_k\nu_k}^{(k)}(p; p_1, \dots, p_{k-1})$: analytic function

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^0 dt \mathcal{L}_\eta &= \sum_{k \geq 5} \int \frac{\tilde{V}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_k}^{(k)}(p_1, \dots, p_{k-1})}{\sum \hat{p}_i^2} (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(\sum p_i) \prod_{i=1}^k \tilde{A}_{\mu_i}(p_i) \frac{dp_i^4}{(2\pi)^4} \\ &\equiv \sum_{k \geq 5} \int \tilde{\Gamma}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_k}^{(k)}(p_1, \dots, p_{k-1}) (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(4)}(\sum p_i) \prod_{i=1}^k \tilde{A}_{\mu_i}(p_i) \frac{dp_i^4}{(2\pi)^4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{p}^2 = \sum_\mu [2\sin(p_\mu/2)]^2$$

Locality

- $\tilde{\Gamma}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_k}^{(k)}(p_1, \dots, p_{k-1})$ are not analytic function
- For every positive integer N , there exist $n > N$ and $x_1, \dots, x_{k-1}$ such that

$$\left| \Gamma_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_k}^{(k)}(x_1, \dots, x_{k-1}, 0) \right| > \frac{c}{n^{5k-4}}, \quad n = \|x_1\|_1 + \dots + \|x_{k-1}\|_1$$

- There may be some effect on the critical behavior and the continuum limit of the lattice model
- (Numerical) approach to the dynamics is necessary to solve this question

5. Summary

Summary

- We considered $U(1)$ chiral gauge theories
- the gradient flow is formulated for the admissible $U(1)$ link fields
- GK's effective action is the sum of Luscher's effective actions and the measure term
- The measure term is non-local (not suppressed exponentially)
- There may be some effect on the critical behavior and the continuum limit of the lattice model