

Soft breaking of BRST symmetry in field-antifield formalism

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- Gribov-Zwanziger theory
- Field-antifield formalism
- Soft breaking of BRST symmetry
- Generating functionals and Ward identities
- Gauge dependence
- Conclusions

Gribov-Zwanziger theory

[Gribov (1978), Zwanziger (1993)]

Yang-Mills action [Yang, Mills (1953)]

$$S_0(A) = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{a\mu\nu}, \quad F_{\mu\nu}^a = \partial_\mu A_\nu^a - \partial_\nu A_\mu^a + f^{abc} A_\mu^b A_\nu^c$$

Gauge invariance

$$\delta S_0 = 0, \quad \delta A_\mu^a = D_\mu^{ab} \xi^b, \quad D_\mu^{ab} = \delta^{ab} \partial_\mu + f^{acb} A_\mu^c$$

Faddeev-Popov action [Faddeev, Popov (1967)]

$$S_{FP}(\Phi) = S_0(A) + \bar{C}^a K^{ab}(A) C^b + \chi^a(A) B^a$$

$$\Phi^A = (A_\mu^a, B^a, C^a, \bar{C}^a)$$

$$K^{ab}(A) = \frac{\delta \chi^a(A)}{\delta A_\mu^c} D_\mu^{cb}$$

BRST symmetry [Becchi, Rouet, Stora (1975), Tyutin (1975)]

$$\delta_B S_{FP}(\Phi) = 0$$

$$\delta_B A_\mu^a(x) = D_\mu^{ab} C^b(x) \mu$$

$$\delta_B C^a(x) = \frac{1}{2} f^{abc} C^b(x) C^c(x) \mu$$

$$\delta_B \bar{C}^a(x) = B^a(x) \mu$$

$$\delta_B B^a(x) = 0$$

Nilpotency

$$\delta_B^2 \Phi^A = 0$$

Landau gauge

$$\partial^\mu A_\mu^a = 0, \quad K^{ab} = \partial^\mu D_\mu^{ab} = \partial^\mu \partial_\mu + f^{acb} A_\mu^c \partial^\mu$$

Gribov region

$$\Omega \equiv \{A_\mu^a, \partial^\mu A_\mu^a = 0, K^{ab} > 0\}$$

Zwanziger functional

$$M(A) = \gamma^2 \left(f^{abc} A_\mu^b (K^{-1})^{ad} f^{dec} A^{e\mu} + D(N^2 - 1) \right)$$

$$(K^{-1})^{ad} K^{db} = \delta^{ab}$$

D is dimension of space-time and γ is the so-called thermodynamic or Gribov parameter.

Gap equation

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}_{vac}}{\partial \gamma} = 0$$

Vacuum energy \mathcal{E}_{vac}

$$\exp \left\{ \frac{i}{\hbar} \mathcal{E}_{vac} \right\} = \int D\Phi \exp \left\{ \frac{i}{\hbar} S_{GZ}(\Phi) \right\}$$

Gribov-Zwanziger action

$$S_{GZ}(\Phi) = S_{FP}(\Phi) + M(A)$$

Non-invariance

$$\frac{\delta M}{\delta A_{\mu}^a} D_{\mu}^{ab} \xi^b \neq 0, \quad \delta_B S_{GZ} \neq 0$$

Open problems:

- In construction of the GZ action the Landau gauge is used only. What is beyond the Landau gauge?
- The construction is connected with Yang-Mills theories only. What is beyond the Yang-Mills theories?
- For the GZ theory the BRST symmetry is broken. How does this breakdown affect on physical quantities?

Our main assumptions:

- In Yang-Mills theories Gribov horizon exists not only in the Landau gauge.
- Gribov horizon may exist for general gauge theories.
- Gribov region can be described in the form of an additional functional to full action of a given gauge system. This functional destroys the BRST symmetry.

General gauge theories

$$S_0 = S_0(A), \quad A^i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n, \quad \varepsilon(A^i) = \varepsilon_i,$$

$$\delta A^i = R_\alpha^i(A) \xi^\alpha, \quad S_{0,i}(A) R_\alpha^i(A) = 0, \quad \alpha = 1, 2, \dots, m \quad 0 < m < n,$$

$$\Phi \equiv \{\Phi^A\} = \{A^i, \dots\} \quad \varepsilon(\Phi^A) = \varepsilon_A,$$

$$\Phi^* \equiv \{\Phi_A^*\} = \{A_i^*, \dots\}, \quad \varepsilon(\Phi_A^*) = \varepsilon_A + 1$$

$$\bar{S} = \bar{S}(\Phi, \Phi^*), \quad \frac{1}{2}(\bar{S}, \bar{S}) = i\hbar \Delta \bar{S}$$

$$\bar{S}|_{\Phi^* = \hbar=0} = S_0(A)$$

Antibracket

$$(F, G) \equiv \frac{\delta F}{\delta \Phi^A} \frac{\delta G}{\delta \Phi_A^*} - (F \leftrightarrow G) (-1)^{[\varepsilon(F)+1] \cdot [\varepsilon(G)+1]}$$

Delta-operator

$$\Delta \equiv (-1)^{\varepsilon_A} \frac{\delta_l}{\delta \Phi^A} \frac{\delta}{\delta \Phi_A^*}, \quad \Delta^2 = 0, \quad \varepsilon(\Delta) = 1$$

Extended action

$$S_{ext}(\Phi, \Phi^*) = \bar{S}\left(\Phi, \Phi^* + \frac{\delta \psi}{\delta \Phi}\right)$$

Gauge fixing functional

$$\psi = \psi(\Phi), \quad \varepsilon(\psi) = 1$$

Quantum master equation

$$\frac{1}{2}(S_{ext}, S_{ext}) = i\hbar \Delta S_{ext}$$

Generating functional

$$Z(J, \Phi^*) = \int D\Phi \exp \left\{ \frac{i}{\hbar} (S_{ext}(\Phi, \Phi^*) + J_A \Phi^A) \right\}$$

Ward identity for Z

$$J_A \frac{\delta Z(J, \Phi^*)}{\delta \Phi_A^*} = 0$$

BRST symmetry

$$I(\Phi, \Phi^*) = \int D\Phi \exp \left\{ \frac{i}{\hbar} S_{ext}(\Phi, \Phi^*) \right\}, \quad \delta_B I(\Phi, \Phi^*) = 0$$

$$\delta_B \Phi^A = \mu \frac{\delta S_{ext}}{\delta \Phi_A^*}, \quad \delta_B \Phi_A^* = 0$$

Gauge invariance

$$Z_\psi(0) \equiv Z(0, 0), \quad Z_{\psi+\delta\psi}(0) = Z_\psi(0)$$

Ward identity for Γ

$$(\Gamma, \Gamma) = 0$$

Gauge dependence

$$\delta\Gamma = (\Gamma, \langle\delta\psi\rangle), \quad \langle\delta\psi\rangle = \delta\psi(\widehat{\Phi})$$

$$\widehat{\Phi}^A = \Phi^A + i\hbar (\Gamma''^{-1})^{AB} \frac{\delta\Gamma}{\delta\Phi^B}, \quad (\Gamma'')_{AB} = \frac{\delta\Gamma}{\delta\Phi^A} \left(\frac{\delta\Gamma}{\delta\Phi^B} \right)$$

Gauge independence on-shell

$$\delta\Gamma \Big|_{\frac{\delta\Gamma}{\delta\Phi}=0} = 0$$

Modified action

$$S = S_{ext} + M, \quad M = M(\Phi, \Phi^*)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(M, M) = -i\hbar \Delta M$$

$$M = M_0 + O(\hbar), \quad (M_0, M_0) = 0$$

$$m_0 = M_0 |_{\Phi^*=0}, \quad m_{0,i} R_\alpha^i \neq 0$$

For the Gribov-Zwanziger theory m_0 coincides with the Zwanziger functional

Modified master equation

$$\frac{1}{2}(S, S) - i\hbar \Delta S = (S, M)$$

Generating functional

$$Z(J, \Phi^*) = \int D\Phi \exp \left\{ \frac{i}{\hbar} (S(\Phi, \Phi^*) + J_A \Phi^A) \right\}$$

Ward identity for Z

$$\frac{\hbar}{i} (J_A + M_A) \frac{\delta Z(J, \Phi^*)}{\delta \Phi_A^*} - J_A M^{A*} Z(J, \Phi^*) = 0$$

$$M_A = M_A \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\delta}{\delta J}, \Phi^* \right) \equiv \left. \frac{\delta M(\Phi, \Phi^*)}{\delta \Phi^A} \right|_{\Phi \rightarrow \frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\delta}{\delta J}}$$

$$M_A^* = M^{A*} \left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\delta}{\delta J}, \Phi^* \right) \equiv \left. \frac{\delta M(\Phi, \Phi^*)}{\delta \Phi_A^*} \right|_{\Phi \rightarrow \frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\delta}{\delta J}}$$

Generating functional of vertex functions

$$\Gamma(\Phi, \Phi^*) = W(J, \Phi^*) - J_A \Phi^A, \quad \Phi^A = \frac{\delta W}{\delta J_A}, \quad Z = \exp\{i/\hbar W\}$$

Ward identity for Γ

$$\frac{1}{2}(\Gamma, \Gamma) = \frac{\delta \Gamma}{\delta \Phi^A} \widehat{M}^{A*} + \widehat{M}_A \frac{\delta \Gamma}{\delta \Phi_A^*}$$

$$\widehat{M}_A \equiv \left. \frac{\delta M(\Phi, \Phi^*)}{\delta \Phi^A} \right|_{\Phi \rightarrow \widehat{\Phi}}, \quad \widehat{M}^{A*} \equiv \left. \frac{\delta M(\Phi, \Phi^*)}{\delta \Phi_A^*} \right|_{\Phi \rightarrow \widehat{\Phi}}$$

$$\widehat{\Phi}^A = \Phi^A + i\hbar (\Gamma''^{-1})^{AB} \frac{\delta l}{\delta \Phi^B}, \quad (\Gamma'')_{AB} = \frac{\delta l}{\delta \Phi^A} \left(\frac{\delta \Gamma}{\delta \Phi^B} \right)$$

Variation of action

$$\delta S_{ext} = \frac{\delta\delta\psi}{\delta\Phi^A} \frac{\delta S_{ext}}{\delta\Phi_A^*}, \quad \psi(\Phi) \rightarrow \psi(\Phi) + \delta\psi(\Phi)$$

$$\delta S = \delta S_{ext} + \delta M$$

Gauge variation of Z

$$\delta Z(J, \Phi^*) = \frac{i}{\hbar} \int D\Phi \left(\frac{\delta\delta\psi}{\delta\Phi^A} \frac{\delta S_{ext}}{\delta\Phi_A^*} + \delta M \right) \exp \left\{ \frac{i}{\hbar} (S(\Phi, \Phi^*) + J_A \Phi^A) \right\}$$

Gauge variation of Γ

$$\delta\Gamma = \frac{\delta\Gamma}{\delta\Phi^A} \widehat{F}^A \langle \delta\psi \rangle - \widehat{M}_A \widehat{F}^A \langle \delta\psi \rangle + \langle \delta M \rangle$$

$$\widehat{F}^A = -\frac{\delta}{\delta\Phi_A^*} - (-1)^{\varepsilon_B(\varepsilon_A+1)} (\Gamma''^{-1})^{BC} \left(\frac{\delta_l}{\delta\Phi^C} \frac{\delta\Gamma}{\delta\Phi_A^*} \right) \frac{\delta_l}{\delta\Phi^B}$$

Gauge dependence on-shell

$$\frac{\delta\Gamma}{\delta\Phi^A} = 0 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \delta\Gamma \neq 0$$

A weak hope

$$\langle \delta M \rangle = \widehat{M}_A \widehat{F}^A \langle \delta\psi \rangle$$

In tree approximation

$$\delta M = \frac{\delta M}{\delta\Phi^A} \widehat{F}_0^A \delta\psi, \quad \widehat{F}_0^A = -(-1)^{\varepsilon_B(\varepsilon_A+1)} (S''^{-1})^{BC} \left(\frac{\delta_l}{\delta\Phi^C} \frac{\delta S}{\delta\Phi_A^*} \right) \frac{\delta_l}{\delta\Phi^B}$$

Application to the Gribov-Zwanziger theory

$$\chi^a(A, B, \xi) = \chi^a(A) + \frac{\xi}{2} B^a = \partial^\mu A_\mu^a + \frac{\xi}{2} B^a$$

$$\psi = \bar{C}^a \chi^a(A, B, \xi), \quad \delta\psi = \frac{1}{2} \bar{C}^a B^a \delta\xi$$

$$S_{FP}(\Phi, \xi) = S_0(A) + \bar{C}^a K^{ab}(A) C^b + \chi^a(A, B, \xi) B^a$$

$$S_{GZ}(\Phi, \xi) = S_{FP}(\Phi, \xi) + M(A, \xi)$$

$$\delta M(A, \xi) \neq \frac{1}{2} \frac{\delta M}{\delta \Phi^A} \hat{F}_0^A \bar{C}^a B^a \delta\xi$$

- A definition of soft breaking of BRST symmetry within the field-antifield formalism was given. It includes the Gribov-Zwanziger theory as a very special (but important) case of Yang-Mills theories in the Landau gauge.
- It was shown the gauge dependence of effective action even on shell. It means that S-matrix depends on gauge. In particular, vacuum expectation values of gauge invariant operators such as $F_{\mu\nu}^{a2}$ do depend on gauge.
- It was proven that a consistent formulation of gauge theories with soft breaking of BRST symmetry does not exist.

Thank you!