

14. Also, our considerations are more exhaustive.

We finally mention that a calculation of strong coupling constants has been recently made by Dashen *et al.* in an entirely different investigation of broken symmetry.¹⁵

Other related questions, particularly regarding the form factors $K_{12\alpha}(k^2)$, will be discussed elsewhere.

¹⁵ R. F. Dashen, Y. Dothan, S. C. Frautschi, and D. H. Sharp, Phys. Rev. 143, 1185 (1966).

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Combined Spin and G_2 Symmetry

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The algebra of the group D_5 is the most direct generalization of that of the direct product of G_2 with the ordinary spin group SU_2 . Furthermore it also contains that of R_7 times SU_2 . In this paper we analyze the particle classification provided by D_5 ; it is found that a 16-dimensional representation appears to contain the baryons and gives results for the magnetic moment and mass formula equivalent to those obtained with the nonbroken $G_2 \otimes SU_2$ group, but now the Λ particle is directly included. The 45-dimensional regular representation of D_5 provides an appropriate basis for the proposed $G_2 \otimes SU_2$ representations of the mesons and boson resonances.

I. INTRODUCTION

THE idea of using the group SU_4 to classify nuclear states has been extended to the elementary-particle case, using SU_3 as the internal symmetry group. This has led to the study of SU_6 .¹ There is another group that can be used to describe the particle internal symmetry, G_2 . It is more difficult to work out than SU_3 , but recent work² shows that its results are not less physical. In this paper we want, in analogy with SU_4 and SU_6 , to consider a group whose Lie algebra embodies those of the direct product of G_2 with the ordinary spin group SU_2 .³ The simplest group that satisfies this condition is the unimodular orthogonal rotation group in ten dimensions, D_5 (Ref. 4); since G_2 is a subgroup of R_7 we can write the induction chain for the Lie algebras as

$$G_2 \otimes SU_2 \subset R_7 \otimes R_3 \subset R_{10} \equiv D_5. \quad (1)$$

Let us note that D_5 embodies $R_7 \otimes R_3$, which has been also proposed as an elementary-particle symmetry

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¹ F. Gürsey and L. Radicati, Phys. Rev. Letters 13, 173 (1964); B. Sakita, Phys. Rev. 6, B1756 (1964).

² R. Behrends and L. Landovitz, Phys. Rev. Letters 11, 296 (1963); R. Behrends, L. Landovitz, and B. Tunkelang, Phys. Rev. 142, 1092 (1966); R. Behrends, *ibid.* 142, 1101 (1966); R. Behrends and A. Sirlin, *ibid.* 142, 1095 (1966).

³ There are similar structures about the relativistic validity of D_5 , as at SU_6 .

⁴ E. Dynkin, Am. Math. Soc. Transl. 2, 319 (1957).

algebra.⁵ The representation of D_5 allows a classification of elementary particles, suggestive enough to be considered. We have studied here its representations and a possible assignment of particles. The 16-dimensional representation appears to contain the baryons, and such a possibility is strengthened by the results obtained for the magnetic moments. The bosons fit in a 45-dimensional representation and the possible splitting of this supermultiplet, under a G_2 -noninvariant interaction, in representations of $G_2 \otimes SU_2$ with definite A parity, makes **45** a very good candidate.

II. REPRESENTATIONS

D_5 is a semisimple group, whose Lie algebra is described by 45 generators, and its representations are defined by five integers. The states that describe the

TABLE I. Some representations of $G_2 \otimes SU_2$.

Dimension	Decomposition in $G_2 \otimes SU_2$
10	(7,1) + (1,3)
16	(7,2) + (1,2)
45	(14,1) + (7,3) + (7,1) + (1,3)
54	(27,1) + (7,3) + (1,5) + (1,1)
144	(27,2) + (14,2) + (7,4) + (7,2) + (1,4) + (1,2)
210	(27,3) + (14,3) + (27,1) + 2(7,3) + 2(7,1) + (1,3) + (1,1)
560	(27,4) + (14,4) + 2(7,4) + (1,4) + (64,2) + 2(27,2) + 2(14,2) + 3(7,2) + (1,2)

⁵ D. Peaslee, Phys. Rev. 117, 873 (1960).

elementary-particle multiplets will be the basis of an irreducible representation of D_5 . The effect of an interaction that breaks the D_5 symmetry but is invariant under the product group $G_2 \otimes SU_2$ (as a G_2 -spin-dependent interaction could) is to split the supermultiplets into irreducible representations of $G_2 \otimes SU_2$. The dimensions of the representations of D_5 are $N=1, 10, 16, \bar{16}, 45, 54, 120, 126, 144, \bar{144}, 210, \bar{210}, 320, 560, \dots$; in Table I we have written the contents of some of these in terms of the $G_2 \otimes SU_2$ representations, the numbers (m, n) are the G_2 and SU_2 multiplicity, respectively.

If we introduce a purely spin-dependent interaction, D_5 will not decompose according to $G_2 \otimes SU_2$, but as representations of $R_7 \otimes SU_2$; thus we will have $16 \rightarrow (8, 2)$ and $45 \rightarrow (21, 1) + (7, 3) + (1, 3)$, where the first number of (m', n') is the dimension of the R_7 irreducible representation.

A difference between SU_6 and D_5 is that the D_5 supermultiplets have a high degree of degeneracy, which makes the group more flexible, but also the calculations more difficult.

The products between the representations of most interest to us are:

$$\begin{aligned} 10 \otimes 10 &= 54 \oplus 45 \oplus 1, \\ 10 \otimes 16 &= 144 \oplus \bar{16}, \\ 16 \otimes \bar{16} &= 210 \oplus 45 \oplus 1, \\ 16 \otimes 45 &= 560 \oplus \bar{144} \oplus 16, \\ 45 \otimes 45 &= 975 \oplus 770 \oplus 210 \oplus 54 \oplus 45 \oplus 1. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

The fact that there is no multiplicity of representations in the products shows *a priori* that we cannot obtain satisfactory results in first order, since only linear combinations of generators will appear in the physical operators and not quadratic invariants.⁶

The simplest possibility to accommodate the particles could be the baryons in the 16- and the bosons in the 10-dimensional representation, but this forces all the baryon resonances to be in **144**, which has only seven particles with spin $\frac{3}{2}$, so this choice does not appear satisfactory. A more reasonable choice is to consider the

bosons as states of the **45** representation; in this way **45** under a symmetry-breaking interaction is split into the multiplets of G_2 with definite A parity proposed by Behrends, Landovitz, and Tunkelang,² that is, (with M_{JPA}^N):

$$\begin{aligned} (7, 1) &\equiv M_{0--}^7: \pi, K; & (14, 1) &\equiv M_{0--}^{14}: \eta \dots; \\ (7, 3) &\equiv M_{1-+}^7: \rho, K^*; & (1, 3) &\equiv M_{1--}^1: \omega. \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

We must assign negative parity to the **45** states. If we ask that the ϕ belong to M_{1-+}^{14} in G_2 , that is, a $(14, 3)$ subrepresentation, the lowest possible representation where it can be included will be **126**. Then the baryonic resonances must belong to **560** and **144**; the number of states with spin $\frac{3}{2}$ allows us to place the resonances $\mathcal{J}^P = \frac{3}{2}^+$ in the **560** representation and those $\mathcal{J}^P = \frac{3}{2}^-$ in the **144**, i.e., N^{**} , Y_1^{**} , and Ξ^{**} in the $(7, 4)$ and Y_0^{**} in the $(1, 4)$ multiplet.⁷ The interpretation of the higher spin resonances, as for SU_6 , is limited, because in this case the spin and space variables are coupled by the spin-orbit forces which are constituents of the structure (or potential) that defines the particles, and since the angular momentum is not included in D_5 a more careful interpretation or extension of the group is required.

III. MAGNETIC MOMENT AND MASS SPLITTING

The next step is to consider whether with simple assumptions for the symmetry-breaking interaction we can derive some physical results for the mass and the magnetic moment. For that we must set up a scheme to interpret the quantum numbers as linear combinations of the commuting operators of D_5 . Denoting by C_{ij} ($i, j \equiv \pm 1, \dots, \pm 5$) the generators of D_5 which satisfy the commutation rule⁸:

$$\begin{aligned} [C_{ik}, C_{mn}] &= \delta_{k,-m} C_{in} - \delta_{k,-n} C_{im} \\ &\quad - \delta_{i,-m} C_{kn} + \delta_{i,-n} C_{km} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

and using the reduction chain (1), the generators of the commuting G_2 and SU_2 groups can be written:

$$\begin{aligned} G_2: \quad T_3 &= C_{3-3} - \frac{1}{2}(C_{2-2} + C_{1-1}), & \mathcal{J} &= C_{1-1} - C_{2-2}, \\ E_1 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(C_{34} + C_{3-4} + C_{-1-2}), & E_2 &= C_{3-2}, \\ E_3 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(C_{-24} + C_{-2-4} + C_{31}), & E_4 &= C_{1-2}, \\ E_5 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(C_{14} + C_{1-4} + C_{-2-3}), & E_6 &= C_{-31}; \\ SU_2: \quad \mathcal{J}_3 &= C_{5-5}, & \mathcal{J}_+ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(C_{54} - C_{5-4}), & \mathcal{J}_- &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(C_{-54} - C_{-5-4}). \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

⁶ T. Ginibre, J. Math. Phys. 4, 720 (1963).

⁷ It is not clear, considering the $N_{5/2}^{**} - N_{1/2}^{**}$ experimental splitting, whether we must accept a privileged set of 8 baryons in **16**, and not include all the particles with baryon number 1, positive parity and spin $\frac{1}{2}$ or $\frac{3}{2}$ in the single representation **144**.

⁸ G. Racah, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, 1951 (unpublished).

With this reduction we can label the particle states.

First we will calculate the magnetic moment of the **16** supermultiplet. We ask the magnetic current to transform as a tensor of the product group (14,3) multiplet, and furthermore it must be a bilinear combination of the **16** and $\bar{\mathbf{16}}$ representations; thus it must belong to **210**. The electric current will transform as a tensor of the subrepresentation (14,1) of the regular representation **45**. Thus we choose the magnetic moment as a tensor of **210**, which transforms as the product $Q \cdot \mathcal{J}_3$ in $G_2 \otimes SU_2$ (Ref. 9); we get then

$$\mu_B = \mu_p Q,$$

where μ_p is the proton magnetic moment and Q is the charge of the baryon. This result is similar to those obtained in G_2 with the additional relation $\mu(\Lambda) = 0$, and leads us to believe that the electromagnetic properties of the baryons in D_5 will have similar difficulties to those in G_2 .¹⁰ A way of getting a solution to these poor results in G_2 is to mix different representations¹⁰; in the D_5 case, if we assign the baryons to a higher representation (144) and define the quantum numbers in the framework of D_5 independently of the reduction chain (1), such a mixture could be automatic. Another possibility is first to break the symmetry.¹¹

Now we will consider the baryon mass splitting. There are different possibilities for breaking the symmetry. We can choose an interaction Hamiltonian so that it: (a) breaks the D_5 symmetry but not $R_7 \otimes SU_2$, (b) breaks the D_5 symmetry but not $G_2 \otimes SU_2$, (c) has an R_7 -noninvariant part, (d) has a G_2 -noninvariant part. We have chosen a G_2 -noninvariant symmetry-breaking Hamiltonian, and as usual we have assumed that it transforms like a $T=Y=g=0$ member of the regular representation, so it will belong to the subrepresentation (14,1) of **45**. The bases of this supermultiplet are antisymmetric second-rank tensors in the 10-dimensional vector space. In first order we obtain

$$M_B = a + bY.$$

The unique contribution in second order comes from the 210-dimensional representation and there, because of the condition $T=g=Y=0$, the single contribution

⁹ Let us recall that we have supposed that we are dealing with the static limit of a relativistic theory.

¹⁰ N. Mukunda, A. J. Macfarlane, and E. C. G. Sudarshan, Phys. Rev. **138**, 3665 (1965); **133**, 3475 (1964).

¹¹ R. Behrends, Ref. 2.

comes from the center of (27,1). This tensor is a fourth-rank one, totally antisymmetric, and can be constructed from the basis of **45**; then we get:

$$M_B = a + bK_3 + CK(K+1), \quad (6)$$

where $K_3 = Y/2$ is the third component of the hypercharge rotation subgroup of G_2 , defined by K .¹ Unfortunately, there is no splitting between Σ and Λ .

Let us turn now to the meson representation. By the symmetry of the weight diagram we have no first-order breaking; in second order, because $\mathbf{45} \otimes \mathbf{45} = \mathbf{975} \oplus \mathbf{770} \oplus \mathbf{210} \oplus \mathbf{54} \oplus \mathbf{45} \oplus \mathbf{1}$, there are contributions from many centers but, since we are dealing with bosons, it is not necessary to consider the antisymmetric representations. We have calculated only the contribution from a symmetry-breaking term which transforms like a center of **54** (traceless symmetric second-rank tensor); for that it must belong to the multiplet (27,1). For the different subrepresentations of **45**, this term gives the following mass expression:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta M^2(14,1) &= -\frac{1}{3}\alpha[T(T+1) - 9K(K+1)], \\ \Delta M^2(7,1) &= \frac{4}{3}\alpha T(T+1), \\ \Delta M^2(7,3) &= \frac{2}{3}\alpha[5K(K+1) - 3T(T+1)], \\ \Delta M^2(1,3) &= -4\alpha. \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

It is possible to write the mass equation in closed form, but for that it is necessary to obtain the 5 invariant operators of D_5 . In Eq. (7) we only show the splitting pattern. These relations do not give good agreement with the experimental masses (all the states with $K = \frac{1}{2}$ in **45** have the same mass correction, so K , K^* , and δ remain degenerate), nor do they corroborate the suggestions for the masses of the (14,1) multiplet in Ref. 2; but we must recall that they represent only a part of and not the full second-order contribution to the meson representation.

We must conclude that D_5 provides a highly reasonable classification for the particles, but at first sight the physical properties seem to have similar difficulties to those of G_2 .

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