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Reggeization of the Spinor in Yang-Mills Theory*

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We extend the second-order part of the calculations of Gell-Mann *et al.* (on Reggeization of a spinor interacting with a massive, neutral vector meson) to the case of a massive, isovector vector meson interacting with the conserved vector current. We find that, in second order, the $I=\frac{1}{2}$ spinor remains a Regge pole, and that no isotopic spin- $\frac{3}{2}$ trajectory appears at the nonsense point. We also discuss the application of the Mandelstam counting procedure.

SEVERAL years ago Gell-Mann, Goldberger, Low, Marx, Singh, and Zachariasen¹⁻⁵ studied the conditions under which an elementary particle in conventional field theory can lie on a Regge trajectory for all values of the coupling constant. They showed, in particular, that in the theory of a neutral massive vector meson and a spinor, interacting via a conserved current, the spinor lies on a Regge trajectory in second and fourth order. A condition-counting argument for this result, independent of perturbation theory, has been given by Mandelstam.⁶

The purpose of the present note is to extend in lowest order the work of Gell-Mann *et al.* to the case of an isotopic triplet of massive vector mesons interacting with an isotopic doublet of spinors. This is the theory

first considered by Yang and Mills.⁷ We deal here only with second-order diagrams, but it should be emphasized that Reggeization of an elementary particle in field theory requires the satisfaction of nontrivial con-

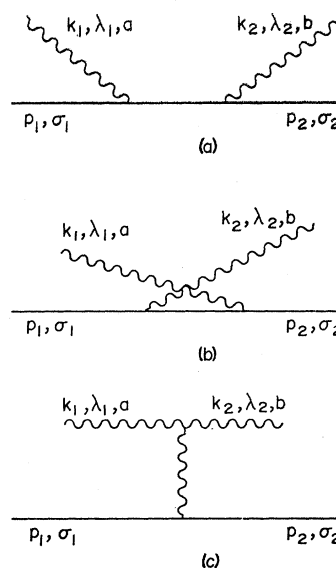


FIG. 1. Second-order diagrams. For neutral vector-meson scattering, only a and b are present. In the Yang-Mills theory, c must be included.

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ditions in second order.⁸ In scalar-vector scattering, for example, the scalar fails to Reggeize in second order.^{4,9}

Gell-Mann *et al.*³ in the neutral theory consider the diagrams of Figs. 1(a) and 1(b). The amplitude is given by

$$M_G = \epsilon_{\lambda_2}^{*\mu}(k_2) \bar{u}_{\sigma_2}(p_2) \gamma_\nu [(p_1 + k_1) \cdot \gamma - m]^{-1} \gamma_\mu u_{\sigma_1}(p_1) \\ \times \epsilon_{\lambda_1}^\mu(k_1) + \epsilon_{\lambda_2}^{*\mu}(k_2) \bar{u}_{\sigma_2}(p_2) \gamma_\mu [(p_1 - k_2) \cdot \gamma - m]^{-1} \\ \times \gamma_\nu u_{\sigma_1}(p_1) \epsilon_{\lambda_1}^\mu(k_1). \quad (1)$$

They compute the leading contribution to the asymptotic (in $z = \cos\theta_s$) behavior of the even-parity-conserving helicity amplitudes. They find

$$f_{11}^+ = -\frac{\gamma^2}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{E+m}{8\pi W k^2} \frac{(E-m-\omega)^2}{W-m} + O(1/z), \\ f_{00}^+ = -\frac{\gamma^2}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{E+m}{4\pi W k^2} \frac{\lambda^2}{W-m} + O(1/z), \\ f_{01}^+ = \frac{\gamma^2}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{E+M}{4\pi\sqrt{2} W k^2} \frac{\lambda(E-M-\omega)}{W-m} + O(1/z), \\ f_{-1-1}^+ = -\frac{\gamma^2}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{E+m}{8\pi W k^2} (W-m) \frac{1}{z} + O(1/z^2), \\ f_{-10}^+ = -\frac{\gamma^2}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{E+m}{4\pi\sqrt{2} W k^2} \lambda \frac{1}{z} + O(1/z^2), \\ f_{-11}^+ = \frac{\gamma^2}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{E+m}{8\pi W k^2} (E-\omega-m) \frac{1}{z} + O(1/z^2), \quad (2)$$

where the subscripts refer to the meson helicities. The nontrivial condition for Reggeization is the factorization of the coefficients of z^0 in the sense amplitudes $f_{\lambda_1\lambda_2}$ ($\lambda_1\lambda_2 = 0, +1$) and z^{-1} in the nonsense amplitudes.

In the Yang-Mills theory, (1) is modified by the presence of isospin coefficients $\tau_b\tau_a$ for the s -channel pole term and $\tau_a\tau_b$ for the u -channel pole term and by the inclusion of the meson-exchange diagram required by current conservation. The question is then: Does the presence of the extra diagram exactly compensate in the second-order leading z behavior for the u -channel isospin factor and restore the Gell-Mann *et al.* result of (2) with an over-all factor of $\tau_b\tau_a$? The answer to the question is affirmative. The amplitude in the Yang-Mills theory is

$$M_Y = \tau_b\tau_a \epsilon_{\lambda_2}^{*\mu}(k_2) \bar{u}_{\sigma_2}(p_2) \gamma_\nu [(p_1 + k_1) \cdot \gamma - m]^{-1} \\ \times \gamma_\mu u_{\sigma_1}(p_1) \epsilon_{\lambda_1}^\mu(k_1) + \tau_a\tau_b \epsilon_{\lambda_2}^{*\mu}(k_2) \bar{u}_{\sigma_2}(p_2) \\ \times \gamma_\mu [(p_1 - k_2) \cdot \gamma - m]^{-1} \gamma_\nu u_{\sigma_1}(p_1) \epsilon_{\lambda_1}^\mu(k_1) \\ + [(\tau_a\tau_b - \tau_b\tau_a)/(t-m^2)] \epsilon_{\lambda_2}^{*\mu}(k_2) \bar{u}_{\sigma_2}(p_2) \\ \times [g_{\mu\nu} \gamma \cdot (k_1 + k_2) - (2k_2 - k_1)_\mu \gamma_\nu - (2k_1 - k_2)_\nu \gamma_\mu] \\ \times u_{\sigma_1}(p_1) \epsilon_{\lambda_1}^\mu(k_1). \quad (3)$$

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Note that current conservation is expressed by the fact that $M_Y \rightarrow 0$ when $\epsilon_{\lambda_2}^{*}(k_2)$ [or $\epsilon_{\lambda_1}(k_1)$] is replaced by k_2 (or k_1). Rewriting (3) as

$$M_Y = \frac{G^s}{s-m^2} \tau_b\tau_a + \frac{G^u}{u-m^2} \tau_a\tau_b + \frac{G^t}{t-m^2} (\tau_a\tau_b - \tau_b\tau_a) \quad (4)$$

and recalling

$$t \rightarrow 2k_s^2 z \quad \text{and} \quad u \rightarrow -2k_s^2 z \quad \text{as} \quad z \rightarrow \infty, \quad (5)$$

we see that the Yang-Mills spinor Reggeizes provided the leading contribution of $(G^u - G^t)/z$ to the sense amplitude is z^{-1} and to the nonsense amplitude is z^{-2} . To see that is so, we write G^u as

$$G^u = \bar{u}_{\sigma_2}(p_2) (2\gamma \cdot \epsilon_{\lambda_1} p_1 \cdot \epsilon_{\lambda_2}^* - 2\gamma \cdot \epsilon_{\lambda_2}^* k_2 \cdot \epsilon_{\lambda_1} \\ + 2\gamma \cdot k_2 \epsilon_{\lambda_1} \cdot \epsilon_{\lambda_2}^* - \gamma \cdot k_2 \gamma \cdot \epsilon_{\lambda_2}^* \gamma \cdot \epsilon_{\lambda_1}) u_{\sigma_1}(p_1). \quad (6)$$

G^t is given by

$$G^t = \bar{u}_{\sigma_2}(p_2) (-2\gamma \cdot \epsilon_{\lambda_1} k_1 \cdot \epsilon_{\lambda_2}^* - 2\gamma \cdot \epsilon_{\lambda_2}^* k_2 \cdot \epsilon_{\lambda_1} \\ + 2\gamma \cdot k_2 \epsilon_{\lambda_1} \cdot \epsilon_{\lambda_2}^*) u_{\sigma_1}(p_1). \quad (7)$$

The reduction by one power of z from (2) of the asymptotic contribution to $f_{\lambda_1\lambda_2}$ of $(G^u - G^t)/z$ can be verified by direct computation of

$$\bar{u}_{\sigma_2}(p_2) \gamma \cdot \epsilon_{\lambda_1} (p_1 + k_1) \cdot \epsilon_{\lambda_2}^* u_{\sigma_1}(p_1) \quad (8)$$

and

$$\bar{u}_{\sigma_2}(p_2) \gamma \cdot k_2 \gamma \cdot \epsilon_{\lambda_2}^* \gamma \cdot \epsilon_{\lambda_1} u_{\sigma_1}(p_1). \quad (9)$$

The essential point, however, is as follows: Choosing

$$\epsilon_{\lambda_1} = -\lambda_1(\hat{x} + i\lambda_1\hat{y})/\sqrt{2}, \quad \lambda_1 = \pm 1 \\ \epsilon_{\lambda_1} = m^{-1}(k, E, k\hat{z}), \quad \lambda_1 = 0 \\ \epsilon_{\lambda_2} = -\lambda_2(\hat{x} \cos\theta - \hat{z} \sin\theta - i\lambda_2\hat{y})/\sqrt{2}, \quad \lambda_2 = \pm 1 \\ \epsilon_{\lambda_2} = m^{-1}(k, E, k\hat{z}), \quad \lambda_2 = 0 \quad (10)$$

we see that, since $\epsilon_{\lambda_2}^* \cdot p_1 \sim z^1$ and $\epsilon_{\lambda_2}^* \cdot k_1 \sim z^1$ while $\epsilon_{\lambda_2} \cdot (k_1 + p_1) \sim z^0$, the contribution of (8) is lowered one power of z from the contribution of the first terms in (6) and (7). The second and third terms in (6) and (7) have an effective asymptotic behavior of z^1 from the factors $k_2 \cdot \epsilon_{\lambda_1}$ and $\epsilon_{\lambda_1} \cdot \epsilon_{\lambda_2}^*$; the matrices $\gamma \cdot \epsilon_{\lambda_2}^*$ and $\gamma \cdot k_2$, although z dependent, merely juggle the $\cos\frac{1}{2}\theta$ and $\sin\frac{1}{2}\theta$ factors in the helicity-eigenstate spinors. Similarly, the expression (9), which is the fourth term in (6), has an effective z^0 relative to the z^1 of the other terms in (6) and (7). Hence the Yang-Mills spinor Reggeizes.

It should be noted that in addition to the Reggeization of the elementary spinor, the vanishing of $(G^u - G^t)/z$ shows that there is no nonsense-choosing $I = \frac{3}{2}$ trajectory at $J = \frac{1}{2}$. The question of whether the Reggeization persists in higher orders must await further progress on the problem of renormalizing massive Yang-Mills fields.

The vanishing of $(G^u - G^t)/z$ further shows that the above results generalize from $SU(2)$ isospinor-isovector scattering to a theory with any representation of any internal symmetry group as long as only the three diagrams of Fig. 1 enter in second order and gauge invariance is required.

The above result raises two further second-order questions. It has been shown by Abers *et al.*⁸ that in the model of Gell-Mann *et al.* the daughter trajectories do not factorize, i.e., there are three degenerate trajectories in second order near each negative integer in the $l=J-\frac{1}{2}$ plane. It is conceivable, although perhaps unlikely, that the degeneracy is absent in the Yang-Mills theory. It is similarly possible to reinvestigate scalar-vector scattering with isotopic spin in second order.

The answers to these questions will depend on the representation of the internal symmetry group.

Finally, Srivastava has asked what the Mandelstam

¹⁰ For spinor-vector scattering without isospin, Mandelstam's procedure lies in noting the $J^P=\frac{1}{2}^+$ sense amplitudes must satisfy s -channel unitarity and analyticity but contain six arbitrary constants (three subtraction constants and three Castillejo-Dalitz-Dyson parameters) which are constrained by three $s=0$ conditions and six threshold conditions. The excess of conditions requires that any two unitary theories agree. In particular, the $J^P=\frac{1}{2}^+$ partial waves computed continuation in J must agree with the $J^P=\frac{1}{2}^+$ partial waves computed directly from the field theory.

counting procedure¹⁰ predicts in problems with isospin. The answer is that it generalizes straightforwardly: The numbers of conditions and parameters are multiplied by the number of internal symmetry channels. It is thus easy to see from Mandelstam's procedure that spinor-vector scattering with isospin must Reggeize provided it is calculated in a theory with s -channel unitarity. If, however, the theory does not have s -channel unitarity, the spinor need not Reggeize. An example of this latter situation is the theory with isospin but without the meson-exchange diagram of Fig. 1(c) for which it is easy to check that the sense amplitudes in second order have $e^{i\delta}\sin\delta$ violating unitarity by increasing proportionally to s . There is thus a curious and intimate connection among three distinct properties of spinor-vector scattering: gauge invariance, asymptotic behavior of s -channel, partial-wave amplitudes, and s -channel Regge-pole residues.

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Paraparticles of Infinite Order

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We show that with one exception every possible statistical type of particle consistent with the cluster properties of quantum mechanics can be uniquely identified by a single pair of integers (p,q) . A particle of type (p,q) has states corresponding to all Young diagrams whose first p columns (and only these) have arbitrary depth and whose first q rows (and only these) have arbitrary length. Parabosons and parafermions of order p are included in this scheme as types $(0,p)$ and $(p,0)$, respectively. If p and q are nonzero, then the particle is of infinite order. The only exception to this classification scheme is a particle with states corresponding to all Young diagrams.

IT has recently been shown¹ that all first-quantized theories of identical particles consistent with the cluster laws of quantum mechanics fall into one of two categories: those of finite order and those of infinite order. The finite-order particles may be further classified as parafermions and parabosons of order $p=1, 2, 3, \dots$ and correspond in a natural way to the second-quantized parafields with the same names.²

It is the purpose of this paper to show that infinite-order particles can be very simply classified. The reasons

for doing this are two: First, it seems desirable to have a classification of all theoretically possible statistical types of particle; and second, we believe that it may be possible to construct a second-quantized theory of infinite-order particles once their properties are better understood (although we have not actually done so).

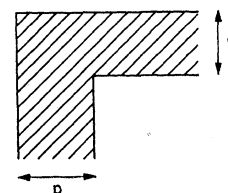


FIG. 1. The $[p,q]$ envelope in the space of Young diagrams contains p columns of arbitrary depth and q rows of arbitrary length.

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