

way, is the seventh component of a pseudoscalar octet with $\mathcal{C} = +1$. Again $CP = +1$, but the transition between the p-v spurion and K_1^0 is forbidden by SU(3). This fact tends to make alternative (b) above somewhat less attractive than it was without unitary symmetry.

Next, consider the transition from the p-v spurion to $K_1^0 + \pi^+ + \pi^-$ or $K_1^0 + \pi^0 + \pi^0$ in a symmetrical state, which is responsible for the decays $K_1^0 \rightarrow 2\pi$. Since the K and π 's all belong to the same octet, the unitary spin coupling of the three octets to form the fourth must be totally symmetric. With this coupling, we can form out of $K_1^0 + 2\pi$ the seventh component of a pseudoscalar octet with $\mathcal{C} = +1$ (like K_1^0) but not the sixth component of a pseudoscalar octet with $\mathcal{C} = -1$ (like the p-v spurion). Thus, $K_1^0 \rightarrow 2\pi$ is forbidden⁸ by SU(3).

Finally, the property $\mathcal{C} = -1$ of the p-v spurion gives one condition on the four independent observable p-v amplitudes A in the weak decay of strange baryons into baryon plus pion:

$$-A(\Lambda \rightarrow p + \pi^-) + 2A(\Xi^- \rightarrow \Lambda + \pi^-) = \sqrt{3}A(\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p + \pi^0).$$

This condition, compatible with experimental evidence, is valid in the limit of unitary symmetry in the model presented here. In references 6 and 7, the same condition is found for both p-v and p-c amplitudes, but on the basis of R invari-

ance, which does not appear to be a good approximation, at any rate for baryons.

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In Fig. 3 the dashed lines refer to the P -wave case and the solid lines to the S -wave case.

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A printer's error occurred in the last term of Eq. (4). In the upper limit of the $d\lambda_1$ integral, the subscript p should be deleted. In Eq. (7), the exponent of $(-\beta)$ should be $m - 1$.