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⁸Note that this situation is essentially different from the case of a "gauge theory" [C. N. Yang and R. L. Mills, Phys. Rev. **96**, 191 (1954); J. J. Sakurai, Ann. Phys. (N.Y.) **11**, 1 (1960)], where vector mesons couple to the conserved total unitary-spin current. This is not surprising since gauge theories are based on the kinetic-energy term of the Lagrangian whereas it is exactly this term that breaks $U(6)$. The fact that the trilinear meson couplings identically vanish in the limit of $U(6)$ symmetry is a particular case of a general result due to Sakurai (to be published) stating that this must be the case in any theory in which the nine vector mesons are degenerate. One of the authors

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⁹This can most easily be seen by replacing one of the matrices M in (10) by K and observing that $\text{Tr } MK\gamma_5 \equiv \text{Tr } MK \equiv 0$. The meaning of the vertex (12) can be better understood at a pictorial level. Consider an arbitrary Feynman graph with three external meson lines. In the limit of "exact $U(6)$ " in which symmetry-breaking kinetic-energy effects are ignored ($\gamma\gamma$ terms in quark propagators and $k_\mu k_\nu$ terms in meson propagators are dropped), this vertex would be $\sim \text{Tr } MMM \equiv 0$. Considering the kinetic energy as a spurion can be visualized by kineon emission from the three-meson vertex. It is readily checked that any graph with three external meson lines and one external kineon line leads to a contribution of the form (12) to the vertex.

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¹⁷J. J. Sakurai, *Rendiconti della Scuola Internazionale di Fisica "Enrico Fermi" XXVI Corso*, p. 42. In particular, the agreement with experiment of the relation between $g_{\rho\pi\pi}$ and $g_{\pi N}$ obtained in reference 4 assuming both universality in the usual sense [$(g_\rho^2/4\pi)_{\text{univ}} \approx 2$] and $U(6)$ symmetry is presumably fortuitous.

RELATIVISTIC, CROSSING-SYMMETRIC, $SU(6)$ -INVARIANT S-MATRIX THEORY

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In recent papers^{1,2} we have described several aspects of the relativistic completion of $SU(6)$. The procedure is meant to apply only to effective vertices and matrix elements ("S-matrix theory"). For local Lagrangian field theory there is a specific breakdown^{1,2} of $SU(6)$. In this Letter we indicate how the systematic application of our rules leads to an S-matrix description which is fully covariant, crossing symmetric, and $SU(6)$ invariant. As before,^{1,2} we take as our starting definition for $SU(6)$ a

group property of zero three-momentum one-particle states.

It is crucial to note that the relativistic completion (boosting³) of an $SU(6)$ representation is not unique, except for the trivial case⁴ of the $\underline{6}$, which of course is to be treated like the representation $[\frac{1}{2}, 0]$ of \mathcal{L}^\dagger , the orthochronous Lorentz group including space reflections. Thus we call it $\underline{6}[\frac{1}{2}, 0]$. This is given by $u^i a(p) t^A$ where the notation is as follows: $i = 1, 2$ denotes spin states, $A = 1, 2, 3$ refers to unitary spin,

$a = 1, 2$ denotes the upper (lower) component pair of the four-spinor u . Thus if we have a set of (Hermitian) matrices γ_λ , we may exemplify our notation in the useful representation⁵ $\vec{\gamma} = -\rho_2 \vec{\sigma}$, $\gamma_4 = \rho_1$, $\gamma_5 = \rho_3$ as follows: $(\gamma_1 u)^{ia}$ is short for $(-\rho_2)_b^a (\sigma_1)_j^{iu} j^b$, etc. Thus for fixed i , u^{ia} is a two-component spinor in " ρ space." With $\bar{u} = u^\dagger \gamma_4$ we have $(\bar{u} \rho_3)_{ia} = \bar{u}_{jb} (\rho_3)_a^b \times \delta_i^j$, etc. We can briefly denote the particle states of $6[\frac{1}{2}, 0]$ by $u^\lambda(p)$, $\lambda = (i, a, A) = 1, \dots, 12$. We reserve the early letters a, b, \dots for ρ space; i, j, k, \dots for spin states. We denote the antiparticle states by $v^\lambda(p)$. The Hermitian adjoint functions are $u_\lambda^\dagger, v_\lambda^\dagger$.

For the $\underline{35}$ there are two distinct completions (for the same set of physical mesons!). They are $\underline{35}[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]^-$ and $\underline{35}[(\frac{1}{2})^2, 0]^-$, to which there will correspond respective 12×12 meson matrices ${}^{(1)}\pi_\mu^\lambda$ and ${}^{(2)}\pi_\mu^\lambda$. We have,¹ for $\underline{35}[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}]^-$,

$${}^{(1)}\pi_\mu^\lambda(q) = \left[-\gamma_5 \frac{(\gamma q)}{\mu_{00}} \right]_{jb}^{ia} P_B^A + [i(\gamma \epsilon)]_{jb}^{ia} V_B^A, \quad (1)$$

where P is the pseudoscalar octet, V the vector nonet; $\gamma q = \gamma_\lambda q_\lambda = \gamma q + i\gamma_4 q_0$. Furthermore,² for $\underline{35}[(\frac{1}{2})^2, 0]^-$,

$${}^{(2)}\pi_\mu^\lambda(q) = i \left[(\gamma_5)_b^a \delta_j^i P_B^A + \left(\frac{\sigma_{\mu\nu} q_\mu \epsilon_\nu}{\mu_{00}} \right)_{jb}^{ia} V_B^A \right]. \quad (2)$$

Equation (2) corresponds⁶ to a reducible \mathfrak{L}^\dagger representation, corresponding to a $\text{ps}(\text{ps}) + \text{v}(\text{t})$ structure with relative weight determined by $\text{SU}(6)$. One may wish to reject Eq. (2) by the criterion of \mathfrak{L}^\dagger -irreducibility. However, we shall see below that this may not be prudent.

We note that $\bar{u}_\lambda(p_1) {}^{(1)}\pi_\mu^\lambda(q) u^\mu(p_2)$, $i = 1, 2$, $q = p_2 - p_1$, are fully covariant $\text{SU}(6)$ -invariant ($\underline{6}^*, \underline{6}, \underline{35}$) vertices for (particle, particle, meson). In order to go to a crossed channel, replace $u^\mu(p_2)$ by $v^\mu(-p_2)$, keep the rest as is, but read now $q = -p_2 - p_1$. Thus we have manifest crossing symmetry. All these covariance properties are readily shown to hold likewise for any S -matrix element involving arbitrary numbers of $\underline{6}$'s and $\underline{35}$'s.

The $\underline{56}$. For $\vec{p} = 0$ we have⁷

$$B^{\alpha\beta\gamma} = \chi^{ijk} d^{ABC} + (3\sqrt{2})^{-1} \times [\epsilon^{ij} \chi^k X^{ABC} + \epsilon^{jk} \chi^i X^{BCA} + \epsilon^{ki} \chi^j X^{CAB}],$$

$$X^{ABC} = \epsilon^{ABD} b_D^C. \quad (3)$$

There are again two distinct boosts, namely $\underline{56}[(\frac{1}{2})^3, 0]$ and $\underline{56}[(\frac{1}{2})^2, \frac{1}{2}]$. [The set of distinct boosts for any $\text{SU}(6)$ representation is of course fully determined by its spin content.] In order to give a compact specification of these boosts, we introduce the boost matrices $D^{(a)}$, $a = 1, 2$, where

$$D^{(1)}(p) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \gamma_5)[m - i(\gamma p)\gamma_4][2m(E + m)]^{-1/2}, \quad (4)$$

while $D^{(2)}$ is the same expression but with $(1 + \gamma_5) \rightarrow (1 - \gamma_5)$. Next we introduce the following definition⁸:

$$B^{\alpha a, \beta b, \gamma c}(p) = D_l^{(a)i}(p) D_m^{(b)j}(p) D_n^{(c)k}(p) B^{lA, mB, nC}. \quad (5)$$

We have, for $\underline{56}[(\frac{1}{2})^3, 0]$, the elements

$$\begin{pmatrix} B^{\alpha 1, \beta 1, \gamma 1} \\ B^{\alpha 2, \beta 2, \gamma 2} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (6)$$

which is 4- (8-)component for the octet (decuplet). This is the relativistic $\text{SU}(6)$ representation which was constructed earlier.¹ Observe that this completion maintains the (α, β, γ) symmetry of the $\underline{56}$ for $\vec{p} = 0$. Equation (6) gives the particle states. The antiparticle states are obtained by the substitution

$$D^{(1)}(p) \rightarrow D^{(1)}(p); \quad D^{(2)}(p) \rightarrow -D^{(2)}(p) \quad (7)$$

in Eq. (5). Furthermore, $\underline{56}[(\frac{1}{2})^2, \frac{1}{2}]$ is described by

$$\text{Eq. (5) with } a, b, \text{ and } c \text{ not all identical.} \quad (8)$$

Also here a pairing like in Eq. (6) is always necessary. This pairing is a "1-2 conjugation." Thus, for example,

$$\begin{pmatrix} B^{\alpha 1, \beta 1, \gamma 2} \\ B^{\alpha 2, \beta 2, \gamma 1} \end{pmatrix} \quad (9)$$

has the appropriate behavior under space reflections. Clearly, this relativistic representation no longer has the (α, β, γ) symmetry of $\text{SU}(6)$.

We now turn to the baryon-meson vertex. To begin with we discuss the particle-particle sector. Consider the expressions

$$B^\dagger(p_1)_{\alpha a, \beta b, \gamma c} (1) \mathfrak{M}_{\delta d}^{\gamma c} (q) B(p_2)^{\alpha a, \beta b, \delta d}, \quad (10)$$

$$B^\dagger(p_1)_{\alpha a, \beta b, \gamma c} (2) \mathfrak{M}_{\delta d}^{\gamma c} (q) B(p_2)^{\alpha a, \beta b, \delta d}. \quad (11)$$

In Eqs. (10) and (11) we sum over the Greek indices [SU(6) labels]. In regard to the Latin indices we observe the pairings (with equal weight) prescribed by Eqs. (6) and (9), but do not otherwise sum over a, b, c , and d . Each of Eqs. (10) and (11) then lead to four generally distinct vertices. Each of these eight expressions represents a Lorentz-covariant SU(6)-invariant particle-particle vertex. Moreover, by application of Eq. (7), it is readily seen that each of these eight expressions is also crossing symmetric.

Thus we have now found an eightfold answer to the construction of the vertex with all the requisite symmetry properties. We have found some general properties of this set, namely: (i) Each of them reproduces the ratio⁷ $\mu(n)/\mu(p) = -\frac{2}{3}$ if we replace \mathfrak{M} by the SU(6)-covariant magnetic-moment operator. (ii) There are three possible values for the D/F ratio of pseudoscalar mesons, namely: pure F , $D/F = \frac{3}{2}$, $D/F = 6$. Thus a general combination of the eight vertices renders this ratio arbitrary. There exists a clear need for more selective criteria.

An elegant criterion is provided by the requirement that the vertex be invariant under the transformations of a group $SU(12)_{\mathcal{L}}$, the "booster group" of SU(6). The tensors of this group are defined so as to preserve space-reflection invariance. The \mathcal{L} indicates that the algebraic structure is formally that of SU(12), provided the adjoint tensors⁷ are defined in terms of the density appropriate to the Lorentz metric. Within the context of the present paper these mathematical artifices are fully justifiable.

The $\underline{56}$ can be embedded in the totally symmetric SU(12) representation $\underline{364}$. This corresponds to a unique vertex, namely

$$B_{\lambda \mu \rho}^\dagger(p_1) (1) \mathfrak{M} + (2) \mathfrak{M}_\nu^\rho (q) B^{\lambda \mu \nu}(p_2), \quad (12)$$

with $\lambda = \alpha a$, $\mu = \beta b$, $\rho = \gamma c$, and $\nu = \delta d$. There is a second choice for embedding the $\underline{56}$, namely in the mixed-symmetry representation $\underline{572}$.

This choice gives two independent couplings. In the rest of this note we confine ourselves to the vertex given in Eq. (12). Before mentioning some implications of this coupling, it may be well to state a few general properties of this group $SU(12)_{\mathcal{L}}$.

(a) The representation $\underline{364}$ has the $SU(6) \otimes SU(2)$ content $\underline{56}, \underline{4} \oplus \underline{70}, \underline{2}$. Here SU(2) corresponds to " D spin," the fundamental representation being $\underline{2}$ corresponding to the pair $(D^{(1)}, D^{(2)})$. " D spin" is a kinematic concept. Thus $\underline{56}, \underline{4}$ corresponds to total symmetry of boosting, that is, D spin $\frac{3}{2}$. $\underline{56}, \underline{4}$ corresponds of course to one and only one $\underline{56}$ in the rest frame. Parity is still extraneous to the booster group. If $SU(12)_{\mathcal{L}}$ is now an approximate symmetry of strong interactions, a $\underline{70}$ should exist with positive parity. Note that the representation $\underline{220}$ contains one $\underline{20}$ and one $\underline{70}$, again with equal parity!

(b) Similarly, the $\underline{35}$ belongs to the booster representation $\underline{143} = (\underline{35}, \underline{3+1}) \oplus (\underline{1}, \underline{3})$. Here $(\underline{35}, \underline{3+1})$ corresponds to the boosts $^{(1)}\mathfrak{M}$ and $^{(2)}\mathfrak{M}$ with prescribed relative weight as it appears in Eq. (12). Clearly an $SU(12)_{\mathcal{L}}$ representation contains prescribed mixtures of \mathcal{L}^\dagger representations corresponding to the same physical SU(6) representations in the rest frame. As an approximate symmetry, $SU(12)_{\mathcal{L}}$ predicts a further pseudoscalar singlet (boosted with D spin 1). The η' meson at 960 MeV would fit nicely in this spot.⁹

(c) We now return to the meson-baryon vertex. Equation (12) gives a unique $D:F$ ratio in the coupling of pseudoscalar mesons. Remarkably enough, this ratio turns out to be precisely 3:2.

(d) Equation (12) determines the Pauli coupling of the vector mesons, to the baryons, in terms of the Dirac coupling. If one assumes that the Pauli couplings of the ρ and ω determine the Pauli coupling of the photon, Eq. (12) may be said to predict the magnetic moment of the proton. Before a definite value can be assigned, it is necessary to have an unambiguous procedure for handling central masses, which enter in an essential way.

The extension of the rules for constructing relativistically invariant SU(6)-invariant structures given above for the three-point functions can readily be extended to n -point functions. $SU(12)_{\mathcal{L}}$ requirements will again reduce the number of independent form factors. Explicit constructions will be given elsewhere. We

only note here that the formalism incorporates the relation found by Johnson and Treiman¹⁰ in a Lorentz-invariant framework.

The present considerations do not affect the conclusion reached earlier¹ that local Lagrangian field theory and SU(6) invariance are not compatible (except in the trivial case that there is no interaction at all).

The notion of SU(12)_g invariance brings up mathematical problems of a novel nature. These will be studied further.

After the conclusion of this work one of us (A.P.) was informed in a private communication by Professor Abdus Salam that he had obtained full S-matrix covariance along similar lines.

Note added in proof.—In different contexts, the group SU(12)_g appears in earlier papers.¹¹

¹M. A. B. Bég and A. Pais, "Lorentz Invariance and the Interpretation of SU(6). I," to be published.

²M. A. B. Bég and A. Pais, "Lorentz Invariance and

the Interpretation of SU(6). II," to be published.

³The use of this term is discussed by S. Weinberg, Phys. Rev. **133**, B1318 (1964), especially Sec. 2.

⁴The \underline{g} is the only representation of SU(6) for which spin and unitary spin factorize. For this reason, models which involve sextets only hide many of the complexities of the problem.

⁵This representation is useful for demonstrating invariance under L_+ . With appropriate labelings, our methods hold for any representation.

⁶Here $(\frac{1}{2})^2 \equiv \frac{1}{2} \otimes \frac{1}{2} = 1 \oplus 0$. Thus $[(\frac{1}{2})^2, 0]$ is a convenient shorthand for the reducible representation $[1, 0] \oplus [0, 0]$.

⁷We follow the notations given in M. A. B. Bég, B. W. Lee, and A. Pais, Phys. Rev. Letters **13**, 514 (1964); see especially footnote 9 of that paper.

⁸Note that in our notation, $\chi(i, a)^\dagger$ transforms according to $[D(a)]^{-1}$.

⁹M. Goldberg et al., Phys. Rev. Letters **12**, 546 (1964).

¹⁰K. Johnson and S. B. Treiman, Phys. Rev. Letters **14**, 189 (1965).

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NONEQUIVALENCE OF THE ONE-CHANNEL N/D EQUATIONS WITH INELASTIC UNITARITY AND THE MULTICHANNEL ND^{-1} EQUATIONS

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Consider a partial-wave elastic-scattering amplitude¹ for two spinless particles of equal mass, M , as a function of $s = 4(k^2 + M^2)$:

$$A = \frac{1}{2i\rho}(S-1) = \frac{1}{2i\rho}(\eta e^{2i\delta} - 1) = B + {}^R A, \quad (1)$$

where ρ is a kinematical factor and the "generalized potential" B is regular in the physical region, whereas ${}^R A$ has cuts only for $s > 4M^2 \equiv s_E$. The inelastic partial-wave cross section σ_r^l is determined by η alone:

$$\sigma_r^l = \pi k^2 (2l+1)(1-\eta^2). \quad (2)$$

Given B and η , we can determine $A \equiv N/D$ using

the Frye-Warnock equations^{2,3}

$$\frac{2\eta(s)}{1+\eta(s)} \text{Re} N(s) = \bar{B}(s) + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{s_E}^{\infty} \frac{[\bar{B}(s') - \bar{B}(s)] 2\rho(s') \text{Re} N(s') ds'}{(s'-s)[1+\eta(s')]},$$

$$\bar{B}(s) = B(s) + \frac{P}{\pi} \int_{s_I}^{\infty} \frac{[1-\eta(s')] ds'}{2\rho(s)(s'-s)},$$

$$D(s) = 1 - \frac{P}{\pi} \int_{s_E}^{\infty} \frac{2\rho(s') \text{Re} N(s') ds'}{(s'-s)[1+\eta(s')]} - i \frac{2\rho(s)}{1+\eta(s)} \text{Re} N(s) \theta(s-s_E),$$

$$\text{Im} N(s) = \frac{1-\eta(s)}{2\rho(s)} \text{Re} D(s) \theta(s-s_I) \quad (3)$$