

the term $\text{Tr} \bar{\Psi} [\varphi, \Psi]$ since this is not invariant under the infinitesimal elements of the algebra for the graded choice of Ψ given above (this would also exclude φ from being a Higgs scalar among the gauge components in the extended dimensions).

The mass values above could be modified by the further addition of a scalar quintuplet coupled to the fermions, if so desired, though radiative corrections will also be relevant here; I will not give details.

Finally I turn to the problem of anomalies. This question has been analyzed by Elias,¹¹ who, on the suggestion of Salam, analyzed the anomalies assuming that the fermion $5 \oplus 10$ belong to a 15 of $SU(6)$. He found there to be an anomaly arising from the generator T_{35} . For $SU(5|1)$ this anomaly changes sign as a result of the graded tracelessness of the corresponding generator T_{35}^1 ; the anomaly still persists. It is not required to gauge T_{35}^1 , and so I will not do so here; thus my theory will be anomaly free. It is relevant to point out that there will be an anomaly in $SU(2|1)$ since the equivalent generator to T_{35}^1 , T_8^1 , has to be gauged to keep the $U(1)_{L+R}$ non-trivial. This anomaly arises since the relevant quantity $\text{Tr}[(\lambda_8^1, \lambda_8^1)_+, \lambda_8^1]_+ \neq 0$. Thus if superal-

gebras are being used, but with the ordinary trace in Lagrangians, it is in any case necessary to go to a larger group which is anomaly free, such as $SU(5|1)$. It is clear that a Lagrangian built on the graded trace would still be preferable; I plan to return to this elsewhere.

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Vanishing Graphs, Planarity, and Reggeization

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An infinite class of nonplanar skeleton graphs is found to vanish in any non-Abelian gauge theory. Thus, the dominance of planar graphs is enhanced, particularly in processes where some momenta are very large.

Non-Abelian gauge theories have surprising properties which enhance the interest of the topological expansion. The techniques used in the present perturbative computations are known, yet the interplay of the group properties with the high-energy limit of the space-time factors seems very interesting. I shall then list the main results and sketch the derivations.

Every Feynman graph in a non-Abelian gauge theory is conveniently written as a product of a group weight factor, W_G , times a space-time factor, M_G . Diagrammatic methods which efficiently compute W_G were described by Cvitanović.¹ The first results (A) and (B) in this Letter easily follow from that paper.

(A) *In every non-Abelian gauge theory there ex-*

ists an infinite class of skeleton graphs with vanishing group weight factor. The lowest-order vanishing graph in Fig. 1 of order g^5 . W_G vanishes

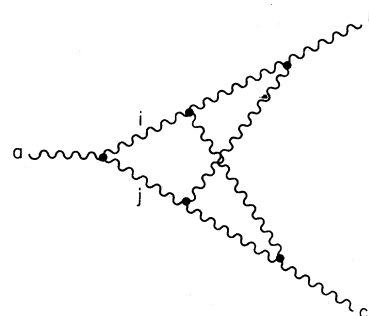


FIG. 1. The lowest-order graph with vanishing group weight.

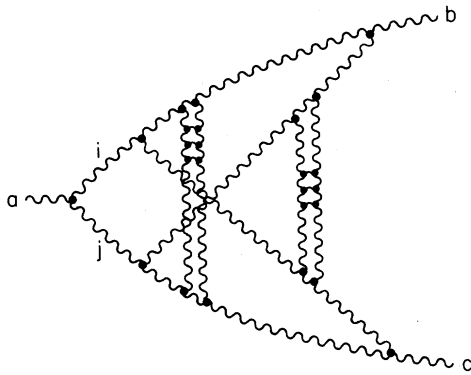


FIG. 2. A general class of graphs with vanishing group weight.

since it results from contracting an antisymmetric tensor C_{aji} with a tensor T_{ijbc} symmetric in the exchange $i \leftrightarrow j$. A more general vanishing graph is in Fig. 2. Again one checks that the tensor T_{ijbc} is symmetric in $i \leftrightarrow j$, provided the two ladders have the same number of rungs.² Next if one notices that in a pure gauge theory (no fermions and no Higgs particles) the group weight factor of every 2-point function is proportional to δ_{ab} and for a 3-point function to C_{ijk} , then each graph in Fig. 1 or 2 may be understood as a skeleton graph, where every three-gluon vertex is replaced by an arbitrary (planar or otherwise) 3-point function and every gluon line may be replaced by arbitrary 2-point function. By use of diagrammatic methods, one sees that (A) holds properly in any non-Abelian theory with a compact Lie group. All vanishing graphs are nonplanar.³ They are many, yet negligible when compared with nonvanishing ones,⁴ but still they seem to have intriguing consequences, described in property (C).

(B) In the non-Abelian $SU(N)$ theory, without fermions, the group weight factor of a graph is a polynomial in N^2 , i.e., the topological expansion is a power series⁵ in $1/N^2$ rather than $1/N$.

Indeed to compute the group weight factor W_G one performs two steps¹: (a) Re-express all three-gluon vertices in terms of the defining representation

$$iC_{ijk} = 2 \text{Tr}(T_i T_j T_k - T_k T_j T_i), \quad (1)$$

and (b) replace internal gluon lines with gluon projection operators:

$$2(T_i)_b^a (T_i)_d^c = \delta_d^a \delta_b^c - N^{-1} \delta_b^a \delta_d^c. \quad (2)$$

However, because of the trilinear nature of the coupling⁶ the singlet term $-N^{-1} \delta_b^a \delta_d^c$ of step (b) is seen to cancel and it can be ignored. That is, one may use, for the internal gluon lines, the simpler replacement, proper for the $U(N)$ theory,

$$2(T_i)_b^a (T_i)_d^c = \delta_d^a \delta_b^c. \quad (3)$$

For 2-point and 3-point functions, where there is just one basic tensor (δ_{ab} and f_{abc} , respectively), the group weight W_G of the generic Feynman graph is

$$W_G = \delta_{ab} (Ng^2)^s \sum_{P=0}^{[s/2]} c_P (N^2)^{-P} \text{ at order } g^{2s}, \quad (4)$$

$$W_G = f_{abc} g (Ng^2)^s \sum_{P=0}^{[s/2]} c_P (N^2)^{-P} \text{ at order } g^{2s+1}, \quad (5)$$

where the leading coefficient c_0 is different from zero if and only if the graph is planar.⁷

For the 4-point function one has six basic tensors,⁸ three of which (A, B, C) have one boundary⁵ and three (D, E, F) have two boundaries. At order g^{2s+2} one finds

$$W_G = g^2 (g^2 N)^s \left[A \sum_0^{[s/2]} a_P (N^2)^{-P} + B \sum_0^{[s/2]} b_P (N^2)^{-P} + C \sum_0^{[s/2]} c_P (N^2)^{-P} + \frac{1}{N} \left(D \sum_0^{[s/2]} d_P (N^2)^{-P} + E \sum_0^{[s/2]} e_P (N^2)^{-P} + F \sum_0^{[s/2]} f_P (N^2)^{-P} \right) \right]. \quad (6)$$

Higher n -point functions have weights W_G expressed in the same form after one has taken care of the N factors associated with the number of boundaries of the basic tensors.

One may remark that the properties (A) and (B) hold for every $N \geq 2$, every value of the coupling constant g , and every dimensionality (complex too) of the space-time dimensions. They also hold for spontaneously broken theories, provided the local gauge group still survives as a global

symmetry.

(C) There are kinematical (asymptotic, leading-logarithm) regions of the Lorentz invariants where the large- N expansion is exact (graphs with nondominant weight are not leading-logarithm dominant).

The property (C) will be shown here by quoting some results of a new study⁹ of Reggeization in non-Abelian gauge theory. The high-energy be-

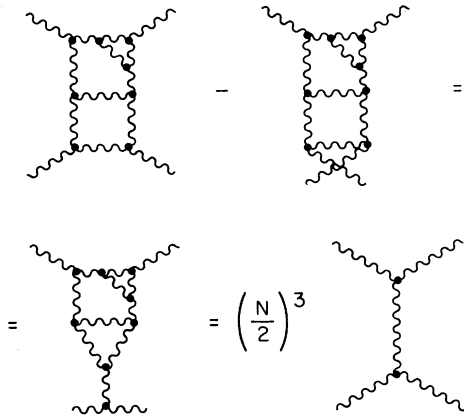


FIG. 3. An example of the relation $T_1 - T_2 = (N/2)^n T_{Ad}$, pertinent to the leading lns planar graphs.

havior (large s , fixed t) of the elastic scattering amplitude has been computed in a pure-gauge (without fermions or Higgs particles) $SU(N)$ theory. The main differences with previous investigations¹⁰ are (a) dimensional regularization is used, instead of the Higgs bosons, (b) an improved treatment of the large-energy limit of Feynman integrals, by which the numerators of relevant Feynman integrals are decomposed into sums of terms, each of which may be associated to a contracted *scalar* Feynman integral. The asymptotic behavior of the latter is then computed by counting the number and length of the shortest t paths.¹¹ The main results of previous studies¹⁰ are reproduced: In the t channel with the quantum numbers of the gluon (adjoint representation t channel) there is just one Regge pole, the Reggeized gluon, with the trajectory¹²

$$\alpha(t) = 1 + \frac{1}{2}g^2 N t K_{d-2}(t) + O((g^2 N)^2), \quad (7)$$

while in the Pomeron channel the perturbative results are consistent with the Froissart-bound-violating fixed cut previously found.¹⁰ Yet the improved treatment of the space-time factor^{9,13} shows a different mechanism leading to these results. The set of leading (i.e., leading lns) planar graphs is divided into two sets, the strictly planar graphs¹⁴ and the set of graphs obtained from the first set after the exchange $s \leftrightarrow u$. At order g^{2n+2} the leading lns contribution of the first set in the t channel of the adjoint representation is

$$C = g^2 T_1 s(t)^{n-1} [g^2 K_{d-2}(t) \ln s]^n / n!, \quad (8)$$

while the contribution of the second set ($s \leftrightarrow u$ in-

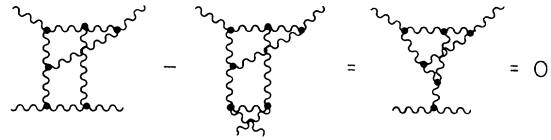


FIG. 4. An example of the cancellation that occurs in leading lns, in nonplanar graphs, related to the existence of the vanishing graphs.

terchanged) is

$$\tilde{C} = g^2 T_2 (-s) t^{n-1} [g^2 K_{d-2}(t) \ln s]^n / n!. \quad (9)$$

Here the group weight tensors T_1 and T_2 have the property $T_1 - T_2 = (N/2)^n T_{Ad}$, where T_{Ad} is the projection operator of the adjoint representation. An example is given in Fig. 3, where use is made of Jacobi identity and triangle contraction. The relevant (leading lns) nonplanar graphs are also divided into two sets such that the second set may be obtained from the first set after $s \leftrightarrow u$ permutation. Each graph of the first set gives the (leading lns) contribution

$$D = (T_P + N^{-1} T_3 + T_4) g^4 (g^2 N)^{p-1} s f(t) (\ln s)^p, \quad (10)$$

where T_P is the projection operator for the Pomeron channel, T_3 is a tensor contributing to the adjoint channel, and T_4 is a tensor contributing to other channels. Furthermore, T_P , T_3 , and T_4 are symmetric under the interchange $s \leftrightarrow u$. Then after summing the contribution of the second set of nonplanar graphs (see an example of the cancellation in Fig. 4, the last term vanishes as it contains Fig. 1 as a subgraph), the contribution of nonplanar graphs is of the order $g^4 s f(t) (Ng^2 \times \ln s)^{p-1}$ in the Pomeron channel and next to the leading lns in the adjoint representation t channel. In other words, to prove Reggeization of the vector mesons, one does not need the nonplanar graphs. Furthermore, because the nonleading N terms in planar graphs cancel (Fig. 3) one would obtain the correct results, in the leading lns approximation, by computing only the leading N contribution of the group weight factors W_G , rather than their complete value.

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¹²To compare the present results with the previous ones, one should imagine the computation with double infrared regularization, that is, the $SU(N)$ model with Higgs particles (Ref. 10) in d -dimensional space-time. To work with dimensionless coupling constant, in d -dimensional space-time, one usually replaces $g \rightarrow g(m^2)^{2-d/2}$. However, in the Regge trajectory there is an effective coupling $\gamma = g^2 N/2$ which may be replaced by a dimensionless coupling constant $\gamma \rightarrow \gamma(m^2)^{2-d/2}$. One would then obtain the Reggeized gluon with the trajectory

$$\alpha(t) = 1 + (m^2)^{2-d/2} (t - \mu^2) K_{d-2}(t),$$

where $K_{d-2}(t)$ is the usual bubble graph in an Euclidean $(d-2)$ -dimensional space-time,

$$K_{d-2}(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \Gamma\left(\frac{d-2}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(3 - \frac{d}{2}\right) \times \int_0^1 \frac{d\alpha}{[\alpha(1-\alpha)t + \mu^2]^{3-d/2}}.$$

This trajectory smoothly approaches Eq. (7) by removing the Higgs particles or it goes smoothly into the usual $\alpha(t) = 1 + g^2(N/2)(t - \mu^2)K_2(t) + \dots$ by removing the dimensional regularization, that is, by replacing $d = 4$. Either way, one has a singular limit if one removes the second regularization. Still my way may have some advantage because by letting d approach 4 from above in Eq. (7), the slope of the trajectory becomes infinite while the intercept is always 1, while in letting $\mu \rightarrow 0$ in the customary Yang-Mills-Higgs system, the slope becomes infinite while the intercept is 1 only in the limit. I thank A. White for a discussion on this and for mentioning this possible advantage for a supercritical Pomeron. See, A. White, CERN Reports No. TH 2592, 1978 (unpublished) and No. TH 2629 1979 (unpublished). Equation (7) may be written more explicitly as

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The unusual behavior of the trajectory for $d < 4$ is perhaps related to the inadequacy of the lowest-order expansion of the trajectory in a situation in which the infrared divergence becomes more severe. I thank R. L. Sugar for comments about it and encouragement.

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