

(Fundamental) Physics of Elementary Particles

Finite symmetries & the CPT-theorem; Isospin and
the $SU(2)$ group and its representations

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Finite Symmetries

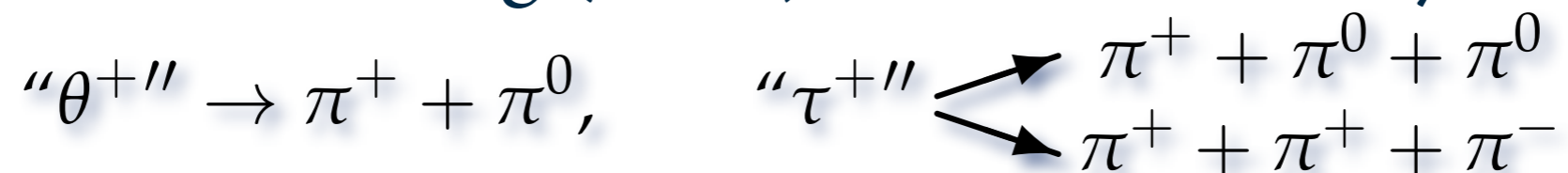
PARITY

- Cartesian space coordinate reflection
 - Reflecting one coordinate \approx plane mirror reflection
 - Reflecting all space coordinates (in odd-dim'l space)
 - Squares to $\mathbb{1}$ (the “do nothing” identity operator),
 - eigenvalue = +1: symmetric eigenstate (e.g., $\cos(x)$),
 - eigenvalue = -1: antisymmetric eigenstate (e.g., $\sin(x)$).
 - This is definitely *not* a symmetry in the macroscopic world
- It was believed to be a symmetry of fundamental physics
 - For example, Pauli refused to use the Weyl equation for neutrinos
 - ... although their mass was known to be possibly zero ...
 - ... because parity is not a symmetry of the Weyl equation
- Parity of a composite system equals
 - $(\text{parity}_1) \cdot (\text{parity}_2) \cdot (-1)^\ell$, where $\ell =$ orbital angular momentum.

Finite Symmetries

PARITY

- T.D. Lee & C.N. Yang (1956) studied the decays:



- $\text{Spin}(\theta^+) = 0 = \text{Spin}(\tau^+)$, $\text{Parity}(\theta^+) = +1$, while $\text{Parity}(\tau^+) = -1$.
- Lee & Yang: they are the same particle, but weak interactions violate parity.
- Proposed several tests of P -violation in weak interactions.
- C.S. Wu (+E. Ambler, R.W. Hayward, D.D. Hoppes and R.P. Hudson) tested



- ...and found most electrons to emerge in correlation with the spin of Cobalt-60:

$$\langle \Psi | \vec{p}_e \cdot \vec{S} | \Psi \rangle \neq 0.$$

Finite Symmetries

PARITY

- Now,

$$\langle \Psi | \vec{p}_e \cdot \vec{S} | \Psi \rangle \stackrel{P}{=} \langle \Psi' | \vec{p}'_e \cdot \vec{S}' | \Psi' \rangle = -\langle \Psi' | \vec{p}_e \cdot \vec{S} | \Psi' \rangle.$$

- In turn, if $[H, P] = 0$, *i.e.*, P is a symmetry, then
- either $P|\Psi\rangle = |\Psi'\rangle = c|\Psi\rangle$, so $P\langle\Psi| = \langle\Psi'| = c^*\langle\Psi|$, so

$$\langle \Psi | \vec{p}_e \cdot \vec{S} | \Psi \rangle = 0, \quad \text{NOT what Wu saw,}$$

- or $P|\Psi\rangle = |\Psi'\rangle \neq c|\Psi\rangle$, so that $|\Psi'\rangle$ and $|\Psi\rangle$ are degenerate,
- ... which does not agree with otherwise good nuclear models.
- It follows that $[H, P] \neq 0$, *i.e.*, P is not a symmetry.
- Once uncovered, P -violation was confirmed elsewhere too.
- Right-handed neutrinos differ from the left-handed ones
- No more than 10^{-10} observed neutrinos may be right-handed.

Finite Symmetries

PARITY

- For example,

$$\pi^- \rightarrow \mu^- + \bar{\nu}_\mu$$

- In the pion's rest-frame, the muon and the antineutrino
 - move in opposite directions, and
 - have $(|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle)$ spins.
- While the antineutrinos are largely unobservable,
 - ...at most 10^{-10} muons may emerge left-handed.
 - Thus at most 10^{-10} of the antineutrinos are left-handed,
 - ...and at most 10^{-10} of the neutrinos are right-handed.
- This implies *maximal* parity-violation in weak interactions.

Finite Symmetries

CHARGE CONJUGATION

- An *anti-linear* operation:
- $C(c_1 |\Psi_1\rangle + c_2 |\Psi_2\rangle) = c_1^* C(|\Psi_1\rangle) + c_2^* C(|\Psi_2\rangle)$.
- This forces the operation also to be anti-unitary (unitary preceded by complex conjugation).
- It is identifiable with complex/Hermitian/Dirac conjugation.
- Eigenstates must have no electric charge if C is a symmetry of electromagnetism.
- Eigenstates must have no color “charge” if C is a symmetry of chromodynamics (strong interactions).
- If C is a symmetry of the “free” Hamiltonian, $[H, C] = 0$ which is true if H is Hermitian, then $|\Psi\rangle$ and $C(|\Psi\rangle)$ are degenerate.
- Indeed, e.g., e^- and e^+ have the same mass.

Finite Symmetries

CHARGE CONJUGATION

- A bound state of a particle and its antiparticle
- ... is an eigenstate of C , with the eigenvalue $(-1)^{\ell+s}$,
- ℓ is the orbital angular momentum, s the composite spin.
- In the electromagnetic decay of the pion,

$$\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma$$

- ... there can only be an even number of photons.
- But, C is violated by weak interactions:

$$C(\pi^- \rightarrow \mu_R^- + \bar{\nu}_\mu) = \pi^+ \rightarrow \mu_R^+ + \nu_\mu,$$

- ... does not occur... more than at most 10^{-10} part of the time.
- C is thus also *maximally* violated by weak interactions.

Finite Symmetries

TIME REVERSAL

- Also an anti-linear and anti-unitary operation.
- Direct verification of T -violation is hard ...
- No physically meaningful eigenstates.
- In processes, T -violation could be checked by checking the “principle of detailed balance”:
- Compare



- But, the latter (fusion) is swamped by other results, due to strong and electromagnetic interactions.
- The only (solely weak interaction) direct tests of T -violation then involve neutrinos... **and those are extremely hard.**

Finite Symmetries

CPT THEOREM

- The successive application of the C -, P - and T -operations is a symmetry of all local Lorentz-invariant theories.
- A simple-looking argument begins with

$$\begin{aligned} CPT(e^{\pm i(\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r}-\omega t)}) &= CP(e^{\pm i(\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r}+\omega t)}) = C(e^{\pm i(\vec{k}\cdot(-\vec{r})+\omega t)}) = (e^{\mp i(\vec{k}\cdot(-\vec{r})+\omega t)}), \\ &= e^{\pm i(\vec{k}\cdot\vec{r}-\omega t)}, \end{aligned}$$

- ...and then uses that plane-waves form a complete set of Lorentz-invariant functions.
- Thus, all spacetime-dependent Lorentz-invariant observables may be expressed in terms of plane-waves, and so must also be CPT -invariant.
- The difficulty lies in proving no loss of generality.

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CP-VIOLATION

- Direct T -violation is very hard, but CP -violation is not *that* hard.
- J. Cronin and V. Fitch (1964) surprised everyone with their experimental proof of CP -violation ...
- ...related to a 10-year old observation by M. Gell-Mann and A. Pais: K^0 cannot be its anti-particle:

$$\pi_{(0)}^- + p_{(0)}^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_{(-1)}^0 + K_{(+1)}^0, \quad \text{and} \quad \pi_{(0)}^+ + p_{(0)}^+ \rightarrow p_{(0)}^+ + \bar{K}_{(-1)}^0 + K_{(+1)}^+.$$

- Kaons are also pseudo-scalars:

$$CP|K^0\rangle = -C|K^0\rangle = -|\bar{K}^0\rangle, \quad CP|\bar{K}^0\rangle = -C|\bar{K}^0\rangle = -|K^0\rangle,$$

- so CP -eigenstates are:

$$|K_+^0\rangle := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|K^0\rangle - |\bar{K}^0\rangle), \quad \text{and} \quad |K_-^0\rangle := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|K^0\rangle + |\bar{K}^0\rangle)$$

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CP-VIOLATION

- Since

$$CP|K_{\pm}^0\rangle = (\pm 1)|K_{\pm}^0\rangle$$

- K^0_+ decays into two pions, K^0_- into three.

$$\left(\Gamma_{K^0_+} \propto \sqrt{1 - (2m_{\pi^0}/m_{K^0})^2}\right) > \left(\Gamma_{K^0_-} \propto \sqrt{1 - (3m_{\pi^0}/m_{K^0})^2}\right)$$

$$\tau_{K^0_+} < \tau_{K^0_-}$$

- Indeed,

$$\tau_{K^0_+} = 0.8958 \times 10^{-10} \text{ s}, \quad \text{while} \quad \tau_{K^0_-} = 5.114 \times 10^{-8} \text{ s}.$$

- So, K^0_- lives some 570 times longer than K^0_+ .

Finite Symmetries

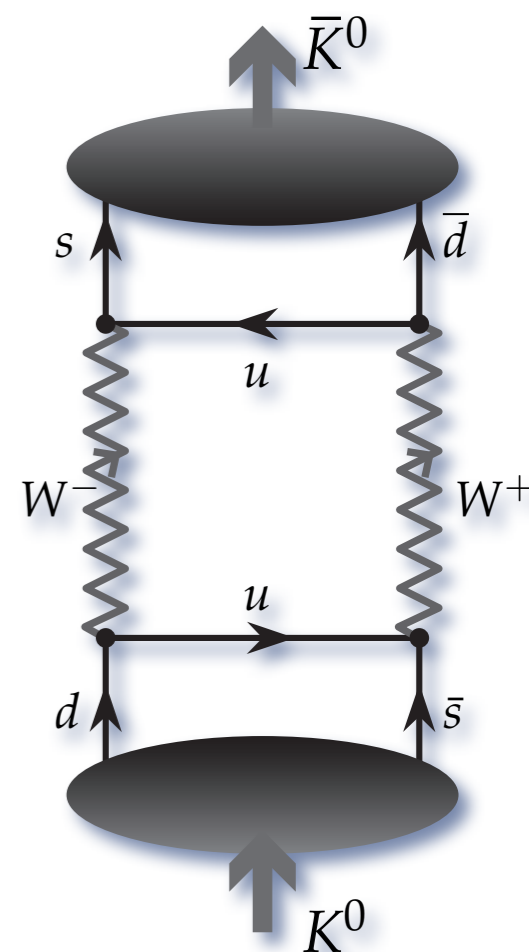
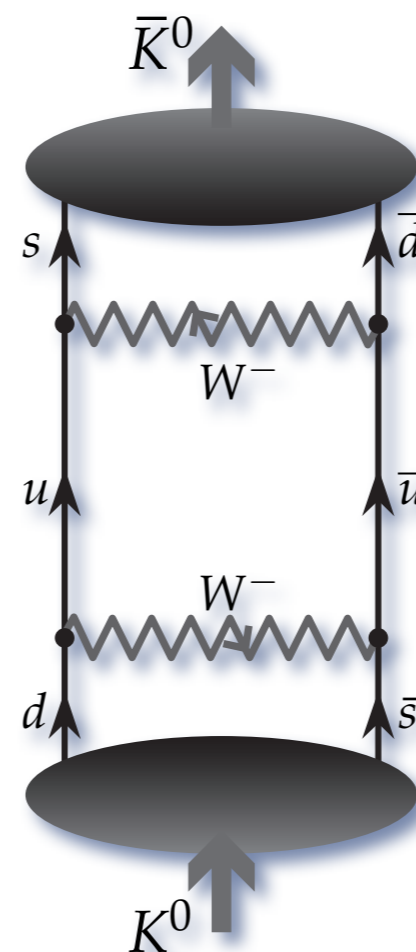
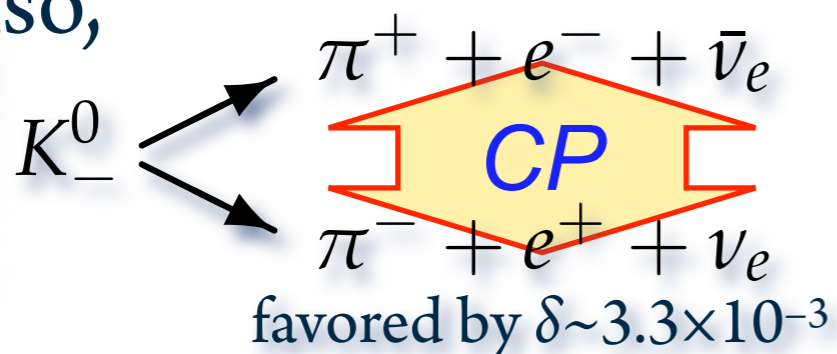
CP-VIOLATION

- Created in pairs by strong interactions, their 50-50% distribution soon changes:

$$\frac{N(K_+^0)}{N(K_-^0)} = \frac{e^{-t/\tau^+}}{e^{-t/\tau^-}} = \exp \left\{ -\frac{t}{\tau^+} + \frac{t}{\tau^-} \right\} \approx \exp \left\{ -569 \frac{t}{\tau^-} \right\}$$

- ...is $\sim 1.47 \times 10^{-5}$ after even just 1 ns.
- Cronin & Fitch found 2-pion decays even after long times,
- ...proving that the distinct CP-eigenstates transmogrify one into another.

- Also,



Isospin

SU(2) FORMALISM

- W. Heisenberg (1932): differences between p^+ and n^0 are irrelevant to the strong interactions.
- p^+ and n^0 are akin to “spin-up” and “spin-down” nucleons.
- E. Wigner (1937) called this *isospin*:

$$\vec{I}: \quad [I_j, I_k] = i\epsilon_{jk}^m I_m$$

$$|I, I_3\rangle : \quad I^2 |I, I_3\rangle = I(I+1) |I, I_3\rangle, \quad I_3 |I, I_3\rangle = I_3 |I, I_3\rangle, \quad I = \max(|I_3|),$$

$$I_{\pm} |I, I_3\rangle = \sqrt{I(I+1) - I_3(I_3 \pm 1)} |I, I_3 \pm 1\rangle, \quad \Delta I_3 \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

- Like angular momentum, isospin can only be integral or half-integral...
- ...and may well be even added to angular momentum.

$$|p^+\rangle = \left| \frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle, \quad |n^0\rangle = \left| \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle.$$

Isospin

APPLICATIONS

- Once a few other hadrons' isospin states are identified,

$$|\pi^+\rangle = |1, +1\rangle, \quad |\pi^0\rangle = |1, 0\rangle, \quad |\pi^-\rangle = |1, -1\rangle,$$
$$|\Delta^{++}\rangle = |\frac{3}{2}, +\frac{3}{2}\rangle, \quad |\Delta^+\rangle = |\frac{3}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}\rangle, \quad |\Delta^0\rangle = |\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle, \quad |\Delta^-\rangle = |\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}\rangle,$$

- we can compute!

$$a: p^+ + p^+ \rightarrow d + \pi^+, \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad |\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}\rangle |\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}\rangle \rightarrow |0, 0\rangle |1, +1\rangle = |1, +1\rangle,$$

$$b: p^+ + n^0 \rightarrow d + \pi^0, \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad |\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}\rangle |\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle \rightarrow |0, 0\rangle |1, 0\rangle = |1, 0\rangle,$$

$$c: n^0 + n^0 \rightarrow d + \pi^0, \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad |\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle |\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle \rightarrow |0, 0\rangle |1, -1\rangle = |1, -1\rangle.$$

$$\mathfrak{M}_a \propto \langle d, \pi^+ | p^+, p^+ \rangle = \langle 1, +1 | |\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}\rangle |\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}\rangle = 1,$$

$$\mathfrak{M}_b \propto \langle d, \pi^0 | p^+, n^0 \rangle = \langle 1, 0 | |\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}\rangle |\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle,$$
$$= \langle 1, 0 | \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|1, 0\rangle + |0, 0\rangle) \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}},$$

$$\mathfrak{M}_c \propto \langle d, \pi^- | n^0, n^0 \rangle = \langle 1, -1 | |\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle |\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle = 1.$$

Isospin

APPLICATIONS

- Within the quark-model,

$$|u\rangle = |\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}\rangle, \quad |d\rangle = |\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle$$

- proceed as before, with:

$$|\pi^+\rangle = |1, +1\rangle = |u\rangle \otimes |\bar{d}\rangle,$$

$$|\pi^0\rangle = |1, 0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |u\rangle \otimes |\bar{u}\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |d\rangle \otimes |\bar{d}\rangle,$$

$$|\pi^-\rangle = |1, -1\rangle = |d\rangle \otimes |\bar{u}\rangle,$$

$$|\eta^0\rangle \approx |0, 0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |u\rangle \otimes |\bar{u}\rangle - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} |d\rangle \otimes |\bar{d}\rangle.$$

$$|\Delta^{++}\rangle = |u\rangle \otimes |u\rangle \otimes |u\rangle = |\frac{3}{2}, +\frac{3}{2}\rangle,$$

$$|\Delta^+\rangle = |u\rangle \otimes |u\rangle \otimes |d\rangle = |\frac{3}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}\rangle, \quad |p^+\rangle = |\frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}\rangle,$$

$$|\Delta^0\rangle = |u\rangle \otimes |d\rangle \otimes |d\rangle = |\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle, \quad |n^0\rangle = |\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle,$$

$$|\Delta^-\rangle = |d\rangle \otimes |d\rangle \otimes |d\rangle = |\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}\rangle.$$

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APPLICATIONS

- Six elastic collisions:

$$(a) \pi^+ + p^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ + p^+, \quad (b) \pi^0 + p^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 + p^+, \quad (c) \pi^- + p^+ \rightarrow \pi^- + p^+,$$
$$(d) \pi^+ + n^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ + n^0, \quad (e) \pi^0 + n^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 + n^0, \quad (f) \pi^- + n^0 \rightarrow \pi^- + n^0,$$

- Four inelastic collisions:

$$(g) \pi^+ + n^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 + p^+, \quad (h) \pi^0 + p^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ + n^0,$$
$$(i) \pi^0 + n^0 \rightarrow \pi^- + p^+, \quad (j) \pi^- + p^+ \rightarrow \pi^0 + n^0.$$

- Since $I(\pi) = 1$ and $I(p^+, n^0) = 1/2$, their sum determines the two possible “reduced matrix elements” (Wigner-Eckardt Thm.!)

$$\mathfrak{M}_{3/2} \text{ and } \mathfrak{M}_{1/2}$$

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APPLICATIONS

- So,
 - $\pi^+ + p^+ : |1, 1\rangle | \frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2} \rangle = | \frac{3}{2}, +\frac{3}{2} \rangle,$
 - $\pi^0 + p^+ : |1, 0\rangle | \frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2} \rangle = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} | \frac{3}{2}, +\frac{1}{2} \rangle - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} | \frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2} \rangle,$
 - $\pi^- + p^+ : |1, -1\rangle | \frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2} \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} | \frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \rangle - \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} | \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \rangle,$
 - $\pi^+ + n^0 : |1, 1\rangle | \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} | \frac{3}{2}, +\frac{1}{2} \rangle + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} | \frac{1}{2}, +\frac{1}{2} \rangle,$
 - $\pi^0 + n^0 : |1, 0\rangle | \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \rangle = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} | \frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} | \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \rangle,$
 - $\pi^- + n^0 : |1, -1\rangle | \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \rangle = | \frac{3}{2}, -\frac{3}{2} \rangle.$

- then, e.g.,

$$(a) \pi^+ + p^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ + p^+ \quad \leftrightarrow \quad \mathfrak{M}_a = \langle \frac{3}{2}, +\frac{3}{2} | \frac{3}{2}, +\frac{3}{2} \rangle \times \mathfrak{M}_{3/2} = \mathfrak{M}_{3/2},$$

$$(c) \pi^- + p^+ \rightarrow \pi^- + p^+$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mapsto \mathfrak{M}_c &= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \langle \frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}; f_3 | - \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \langle \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}; f_1 | \right) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} | \frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}; f_3 \rangle - \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} | \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}; f_1 \rangle \right), \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \langle \frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}; f_3 | \frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}; f_3 \rangle + \frac{2}{3} \langle \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}; f_1 | \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}; f_1 \rangle = \frac{1}{3} \mathfrak{M}_{3/2} + \frac{2}{3} \mathfrak{M}_{1/2}, \end{aligned}$$

Generalization of Isospin

FLAVOR SU(3)

- Pauli matrices: a basis of traceless Hermitian 2×2 matrices
 - span the $\mathfrak{su}(2)$ algebra, generate the SU(2) group
- For the $\mathfrak{su}(3)$ algebra, we need traceless Hermitian 3×3 matrices

$$\mathfrak{su}(2) \quad \lambda_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \lambda_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -i & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \lambda_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \lambda_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$\lambda_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \lambda_6 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \lambda_7 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & i & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \lambda_8 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Gell-Mann's matrices.

$$[Q_a, Q_b] = i f_{ab}^c Q_c.$$

$$f_{123} = 1, \quad f_{458} = f_{678} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2},$$

$$f_{147} = -f_{156} = f_{246} = f_{257} = f_{345} = -f_{367} = \frac{1}{2},$$

$$\text{Tr}(\lambda^a \lambda^b) = 2\delta^{ab}.$$

Generalization of Isospin

FLAVOR SU(3)

- The $SU_f(3)$ triplet: $t^\alpha = (u, d, s)$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{1} &\simeq t & \mathbf{3} &\simeq t^\alpha & \mathbf{3}^* &\simeq t_\alpha = \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma}t^{[\beta\gamma]} & \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \dots &= 1, 2, 3, \\
 \mathbf{6} &\simeq t^{(\alpha\beta)}, & \mathbf{6}^* &\simeq t_{(\alpha\beta)} & \mathbf{8} &\simeq t^\alpha{}_\beta, t^\alpha{}_\alpha \equiv 0 & & \mathbf{10} &\simeq t^{(\alpha\beta\gamma)},
 \end{aligned}$$

- ...and so on.

- 2-quark states are then given by $\mathbf{3} \otimes \mathbf{3} = \mathbf{6}_S \oplus \mathbf{3}^*_A$:

$$t^\alpha{}_s{}^\beta = t^{(\alpha}{}_s{}^\beta) + t^{[\alpha}{}_s{}^\beta], \quad \begin{cases} t^{(\alpha}{}_s{}^\beta) & := \frac{1}{2}(t^\alpha{}_s{}^\beta + t^\beta{}_s{}^\alpha), \\ t^{[\alpha}{}_s{}^\beta] & := \frac{1}{2}(t^\alpha{}_s{}^\beta - t^\beta{}_s{}^\alpha); \end{cases}$$

- and 3-quark states by $\mathbf{6} \otimes \mathbf{3} = \mathbf{10} \oplus \mathbf{8}$:

$$t^{(\alpha\beta)}{}_s{}^\gamma = t^{(\alpha\beta}{}_s{}^\gamma) + \frac{4}{3}t^{(\alpha[b}{}_s{}^\gamma]},$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 t^{(\alpha\beta}{}_s{}^\gamma) &:= \frac{1}{3}(t^{(\alpha\beta)}{}_s{}^\gamma + t^{(\beta\gamma)}{}_s{}^\alpha + t^{(\gamma\alpha)}{}_s{}^\beta), \\
 t^{(\alpha[b}{}_s{}^\gamma]} &:= \frac{1}{4}((t^{(\alpha\beta)}{}_s{}^\gamma - t^{(\alpha\gamma)}{}_s{}^\beta) + (t^{(\beta\alpha)}{}_s{}^\gamma - t^{(\beta\gamma)}{}_s{}^\alpha)), \\
 &= \frac{1}{4}(2t^{(\alpha\beta)}{}_s{}^\gamma - t^{(\alpha\gamma)}{}_s{}^\beta - t^{(\beta\gamma)}{}_s{}^\alpha)
 \end{aligned}$$

Generalization of Isospin

FLAVOR SU(3)

- Note, the “funny” **8** is annihilated by antisymmetrization:

$$t^{(\alpha[\beta]_S\gamma]} \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \equiv 0;$$

- Also, antiquark-quark states form $\mathbf{3}^* \otimes \mathbf{3} = \mathbf{8} \oplus \mathbf{1}$:

$$t_\alpha s^\beta = \left(t_\alpha s^\beta - \frac{1}{3} \delta_\alpha^\beta (t_\gamma s^\gamma) \right) + \frac{1}{3} \delta_\alpha^\beta (t_\gamma s^\gamma).$$

- The two **8**'s are related:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{4}{3} t^{(\alpha[\beta]_S\gamma]} \varepsilon_{\beta\gamma\delta} &= t^{(\alpha\beta)_S\gamma} \varepsilon_{\beta\gamma\delta} =: (t^{(\cdots)_S\cdot})^\alpha_\delta & : \quad \delta_\alpha^\delta (t^{(\cdots)_S\cdot})^\alpha_\delta &\equiv 0 \\ (t^{(\cdots)_S\cdot})^\alpha_\delta \varepsilon^{\beta\gamma\delta} &= t^{(\alpha\beta)_S\gamma} - t^{(\alpha\gamma)_S\beta}, & \frac{2}{3} (t^{(\cdots)_S\cdot})^\alpha_\delta \varepsilon^{\beta\gamma\delta} &= \frac{4}{3} t^{(\alpha[\beta]_S\gamma]} \end{aligned}$$

- Finally, $\mathbf{3} \otimes \mathbf{3} \otimes \mathbf{3} = (\mathbf{6}_S \oplus \mathbf{3}_A) \otimes \mathbf{3} = (\mathbf{10}_S \oplus \underbrace{\mathbf{8}}_{\text{mixed symmetry}}) \oplus (\mathbf{8} \oplus \mathbf{1}_A)$.

Generalization of Isospin

FLAVOR SU(3)

- There are really four linearly independent choices:

		$\alpha\beta\gamma$	$\alpha\gamma\beta$	$\gamma\alpha\beta$	$\gamma\beta\alpha$	$\beta\gamma\alpha$	$\beta\alpha\gamma$
10	$t^{(\alpha\beta\gamma)}$	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1
8	$t^{(\alpha[\beta]\gamma)}$	+2	-1	-1	-1	-1	+2
8	$t^{[\alpha(\beta)]\gamma}$	+2	+1	-1	+1	-1	-2
1	$t^{[\alpha\beta\gamma]}$	+1	-1	+1	-1	+1	-1

- proving that

$$\underbrace{t^{\alpha\beta\gamma}}_{\text{no symmetry}} = t^{(\alpha\beta\gamma)} + t^{(\alpha[\beta]\gamma)} + t^{[\alpha(\beta)]\gamma} + t^{[\alpha\beta\gamma]}$$

10_S
8
8
1_A

$$\square \otimes \square \otimes \square = \left(\begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \square \\ \hline \square \end{array} \oplus \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \end{array} \right) \otimes \square = \left(\begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \square \square \\ \hline \square \square \end{array} \oplus \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \square \\ \hline \square \square \end{array} \right) \oplus \left(\begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \square \\ \hline \square \end{array} \oplus \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \square \\ \hline \square \square \end{array} \right)$$

22
10_S
8
8
1_A

Quark Bound States

LIGHT MESON MASSES

- Charmonium (and later bottomonium) are well modeled by
- ...and non-relativistic “equal mass modified” H-atom model.
- Turn to light mesons.
- Only (u, d) at first & isospin $SU(2)$.

$$\{t^1, t^2\} = \{u, d\}, \quad \Rightarrow \quad \{t_1, t_2\} = \{\bar{u}, \bar{d}\}.$$

$$t_1 = \varepsilon_{12}t^2 = t^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad |\bar{u}\rangle = |d\rangle,$$

$$t_2 = \varepsilon_{21}t^1 = -t^1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad |\bar{d}\rangle = -|u\rangle.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \{|\bar{u}\rangle, |\bar{d}\rangle\} \otimes \{|u\rangle, |d\rangle\} &= \{|\tfrac{1}{2}, -\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle, -|\tfrac{1}{2}, \tfrac{1}{2}\rangle\} \otimes \{|\tfrac{1}{2}, +\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle, |\tfrac{1}{2}, -\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle\}, \\ &= \{|1, \pm 1\rangle, |1, 0\rangle\} \oplus \{|0, 0\rangle\} = \{|\pi^\pm\rangle, |\pi^0\rangle\} \oplus \{|\eta\rangle\}, \end{aligned}$$

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- In particular,

$$\begin{aligned} |1, +1\rangle &= |\tfrac{1}{2}, -\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle |\tfrac{1}{2}, -\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle &&= -|\bar{d}\rangle |u\rangle, \\ |1, 0\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(|\tfrac{1}{2}, +\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle |\tfrac{1}{2}, -\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle + |\tfrac{1}{2}, -\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle |\tfrac{1}{2}, +\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle \right) &&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(-|\bar{d}\rangle |d\rangle + |\bar{u}\rangle |u\rangle \right), \\ |1, -1\rangle &= |\tfrac{1}{2}, +\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle |\tfrac{1}{2}, +\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle &&= |\bar{u}\rangle |d\rangle, \\ |0, 0\rangle &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(|\tfrac{1}{2}, +\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle |\tfrac{1}{2}, -\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle - |\tfrac{1}{2}, -\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle |\tfrac{1}{2}, +\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle \right) &&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(-|\bar{d}\rangle |d\rangle - |\bar{u}\rangle |u\rangle \right), \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} |\pi^+\rangle = -|\bar{d} u\rangle, \\ |\pi^0\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\bar{u} u\rangle - |\bar{d} d\rangle), \text{ and } |\eta\rangle = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\bar{u} u\rangle + |\bar{d} d\rangle). \\ |\pi^-\rangle = |\bar{u} d\rangle, \end{array} \right. \end{aligned}$$

- There is no symmetry between a quark and an antiquark.
- In fact, however, the η -particle also contains a strange-antistrange component.

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- Mesons with u , d and s :

$$\pi^+ = (\bar{d}u), \quad \pi^- = (\bar{u}d), \quad \pi^0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\bar{u}u - \bar{d}d), \quad \eta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(\bar{u}u + \bar{d}d - 2\bar{s}s),$$
$$K^+ = (\bar{s}u), \quad K^0 = (\bar{s}d), \quad \bar{K}^0 = (\bar{d}s), \quad K^- = (\bar{u}s), \quad \eta' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\bar{u}u + \bar{d}d + \bar{s}s).$$

- Recall:

$$\lambda_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \lambda_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -i & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \lambda_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \lambda_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$
$$\lambda_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \lambda_6 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \lambda_7 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & i & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \lambda_8 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- In turn, however, amongst the “ P -state” ($\ell = 1$) mesons

$$\omega \neq \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(\bar{u}u + \bar{d}d - 2\bar{s}s), \quad \text{but} \quad \omega \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\bar{u}u + \bar{d}d),$$

$$\phi \neq \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(\bar{u}u + \bar{d}d + \bar{s}s), \quad \text{but} \quad \phi \approx (\bar{s}s).$$

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- Since pseudo-scalar (S-state) and vector (P-state) mesons differ only in the relative orientation of spins,
- ...the spin-spin coupling should provide the dominant “correction” to the meson masses:

$$M(\text{meson}) \approx m_q + m_{\bar{q}} + \frac{A}{m_q m_{\bar{q}}} \langle \mathbf{S}_q \cdot \mathbf{S}_{\bar{q}} \rangle,$$

- ...where A is fitted from experimental data, and

$$\vec{S}_q \cdot \vec{S}_{\bar{q}} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4} \hbar^2, & \text{for } S = 1 \text{ (vector mesons),} \\ -\frac{3}{4} \hbar^2, & \text{for } S = 0 \text{ (pseudo-scalar mesons).} \end{cases}$$

Meson	Comp.	Exp.	Meson	Comp.	Exp.
π	140	138	ρ	780	776
K	485	496	ω	780	783
η	559	549	K^*	896	892
η'	303	958	ϕ	1 032	1 020

Quark Bound States

LIGHT BARYON MASSES

- Being 3-quark states, baryon classification is harder.
- For S -states (both orbital angular momenta = 0), the baryon spin stems from quark spins, added.

- Use the basis

$$\begin{aligned} |\tfrac{1}{2}, +\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle_{[12]} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\uparrow\rangle), & |\tfrac{1}{2}, -\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle_{[12]} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\downarrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\rangle); \\ |\tfrac{1}{2}, +\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle_{[23]} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\rangle), & |\tfrac{1}{2}, -\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle_{[23]} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\rangle), \end{aligned}$$

- and note that

$$|\tfrac{1}{2}, +\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle_{[13]} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\uparrow\rangle) = |\tfrac{1}{2}, +\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle_{[12]} + |\tfrac{1}{2}, +\tfrac{1}{2}\rangle_{[23]},$$

- and then factorize

$$\Psi(\text{baryon}) = \Psi(\vec{r}, t) \chi(\text{spin}) \chi(\text{“flavor”}) \chi(\text{color}).$$

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- The totally symmetric spin states are easy:

$$|\frac{3}{2}, +\frac{3}{2}\rangle = |\uparrow\uparrow\uparrow\rangle, \quad |\frac{3}{2}, +\frac{1}{2}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (|\uparrow\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + |\uparrow\downarrow\uparrow\rangle + |\downarrow\uparrow\uparrow\rangle),$$

$$|\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}\rangle = |\downarrow\downarrow\downarrow\rangle, \quad |\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (|\uparrow\downarrow\downarrow\rangle + |\downarrow\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + |\downarrow\downarrow\uparrow\rangle),$$

- The mixed states are tricky:

$$\chi_{[12]}(\text{spin}) \chi_{[12]}(\text{“flavor”}) + \chi_{[13]}(\text{spin}) \chi_{[13]}(\text{“flavor”}) + \chi_{[23]}(\text{spin}) \chi_{[23]}(\text{“flavor”})$$

- So then, either

$$\Psi(\text{baryon}) = \underbrace{\Psi(\vec{r}, t)}_S \underbrace{\chi(\text{spin})}_S \underbrace{\chi(\text{“flavor”})}_{S=10} \underbrace{\chi(\text{color})}_A.$$

- or

$$\Psi(\text{baryon}) = \underbrace{\Psi(\vec{r}, t)}_S \underbrace{\chi(\text{spin}) \chi(\text{“flavor”})}_{\substack{M \\ M=8}} \underbrace{\chi(\text{color})}_A.$$

symmetric

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- Again, the distinction between the baryon **10**-plet and **8**-plet stem from differences in spin-orientations, so:

$$M(\text{baryon}) \approx m_1 + m_2 + m_3 + A' \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{1}{m_i m_j} \langle \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j \rangle,$$

- Since $m_u \approx m_d < m_s$,

$$M(\Delta) \approx 3m_u + \frac{3A'\hbar^2}{4m_u^2}, \quad \text{and} \quad M(\Omega^-) \approx 3m_s + \frac{3A'\hbar^2}{4m_s^2},$$

$$M(\Sigma^*) \approx 2m_u + m_s + \frac{A'\hbar^2}{4} \left(\frac{1}{m_u^2} + \frac{2}{m_u m_s} \right),$$

$$M(\Xi^*) \approx m_u + 2m_s + \frac{A'\hbar^2}{4} \left(\frac{2}{m_u m_s} + \frac{1}{m_s^2} \right).$$

- works well for the **10**-plet.

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- Use also

$$\vec{S}_1 \cdot \vec{S}_2 + \vec{S}_1 \cdot \vec{S}_3 + \vec{S}_2 \cdot \vec{S}_3 = \frac{1}{2} \left((\vec{S}_1 + \vec{S}_2 + \vec{S}_3)^2 - s_1^2 - s_2^2 - s_3^2 \right),$$

$$\langle \vec{S}_1 \cdot \vec{S}_2 + \vec{S}_1 \cdot \vec{S}_3 + \vec{S}_2 \cdot \vec{S}_3 \rangle = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{4} \hbar^2 & \text{for spin-}^{3/2} \text{ 10-plet,} \\ -\frac{3}{4} \hbar^2 & \text{for spin-}^{1/2} \text{ 8-plet.} \end{cases}$$

- and obtain:

$$M(p^+, n^0) \approx 3m_u - \frac{3A'\hbar^2}{4m_u^2},$$

$$M(\Lambda) \approx 2m_u + m_s - \frac{3A'\hbar^2}{4m_u^2},$$

$$M(\Sigma) \approx 2m_u + m_s + \frac{A'\hbar^2}{4} \left(\frac{1}{m_u^2} - \frac{4}{m_u m_s} \right),$$

$$M(\Xi) \approx 2m_u + m_s + \frac{A'\hbar^2}{4} \left(\frac{1}{m_s^2} - \frac{4}{m_u m_s} \right).$$

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- Thus, finally:

Baryon	Comp.	Exp.
p^+, n^0	939	939
Λ	1116	1114
Σ	1179	1193
Ξ	1327	1318

Baryon	Comp.	Exp.
Δ	1239	1232
Σ^*	1381	1384
Ξ^*	1529	1533
Ω	1682	1672

- Pretty good...
- ...and not just for complicated 3-body bound states!!

Quark Bound States

LIGHT BARYON MAGNETIC MOMENTS

- Straightforwardly, to first order,

$$\vec{\mu}(\text{baryon}) = \vec{\mu}_{(1)} + \vec{\mu}_{(2)} + \vec{\mu}_{(3)}.$$
$$\langle \mu_3 \rangle = \left\langle \frac{q}{mc} \mathbf{S}_3 \right\rangle = \pm \frac{q\hbar}{2mc},$$
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mu_u := \langle \mu_{(u),3} \rangle = \pm \frac{e\hbar}{3m_u c}, \\ \mu_d := \langle \mu_{(d),3} \rangle = \mp \frac{e\hbar}{6m_d c}, \\ \mu_s := \langle \mu_{(s),3} \rangle = \mp \frac{e\hbar}{6m_s c}, \end{array} \right.$$

- and then

$$\langle \mu_3(\text{baryon}) \rangle = \frac{2}{\hbar} \sum_{i=1}^3 \langle \text{baryon} | \mu_i \mathbf{S}_{(i),3} | \text{baryon} \rangle.$$

- Must use the wave-functions for the baryons...
- ...the simpler ones for the **10**-plet,
- ...the more complicated for the **8**-plet.

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LIGHT BARYON MAGNETIC MOMENTS

- This produces:

Baryon	$\langle \mu_3 \rangle$	Comp.	Exp.
p^+	$\frac{1}{3} (4\mu_u - \mu_d)$	2.79	2.793
n^0	$\frac{1}{3} (4\mu_d - \mu_u)$	-1.86	-1.913
Ξ^0	$\frac{1}{3} (4\mu_s - \mu_u)$	-1.40	-1.253
Ξ^-	$\frac{1}{3} (4\mu_u - \mu_s)$	-0.47	-0.69
Λ^0	μ_s	-0.58	-0.61
Σ^+	$\frac{1}{3} (4\mu_u - \mu_s)$	2.68	2.33
Σ^0	$\frac{1}{3} (2\mu_u + \mu_d - \mu_s)$	0.82	
Σ^-	$\frac{1}{3} (4\mu_d - \mu_s)$	-1.05	-1.41

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