

The ideas behind the construction of our covariant quark model à la Bakamjian-Thomas

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Introduction - Motivation

- **Objective :**
the philosophy of the BT construction for heavy to heavy meson transitions
- **Why :** covariance of the transition amplitudes
- **How :** a lot of group theory... and a hint of dynamics

will avoid formulae as much as possible, only ideas

Major contribution of Jean-Claude in building this formalism

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The Wigner Theorem

\mathcal{H} : Hilbert space of our model

	Inertial frame \mathcal{R}	Inertial frame \mathcal{R}'
	initial state $ \psi\rangle$ final state $ \phi\rangle$ (detector)	$ \psi'\rangle$ $ \phi'\rangle$
Probability	$\mathcal{P} = \langle\phi \psi\rangle ^2$	$\mathcal{P}' = \langle\phi' \psi'\rangle ^2$

Starting point

relativistic invariance $\iff \mathcal{P} = \mathcal{P}'$

How ?

Group theory : the Wigner theorem

The Wigner Theorem

Answer

$$|\psi\rangle' = U(\Lambda, a)|\psi\rangle$$

where

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} U(\Lambda, a) \text{ is a unitary transformation} \\ \text{satisfies the usual group multiplication law :} \\ U(\Lambda_2, a_2)U(\Lambda_1, a_1) = U(\Lambda_2\Lambda_1, a_2 + \Lambda_2 a_1) \end{array} \right.$$

Specifying $U(\Lambda, a)$ on \mathcal{H} defines the relativistic quantum model

⇒ New problem : find $U(\Lambda, a)$

Solution à la Bakamjian-Thomas

- **Goal** : implementing the Poincaré group transformations for a *finite* number of interacting particles (2 in our case)
- **How** : by redefining the generators of the Poincaré group such that the structure of the group is preserved
- **In practice** : a four step process

Solution à la Bakamjian-Thomas (II)

① Change of variables : new set of internal variables

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{total momentum } \vec{P} = \vec{p}_1 + \vec{p}_2 \\ \text{internal momenta } \vec{k}_1 \text{ and } \vec{k}_2 (\vec{k}_1 + \vec{k}_2 = \vec{0}) \\ \text{internal spins } \vec{s}'_1 \text{ and } \vec{s}'_2 \end{array} \right. \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} 1 \rightsquigarrow \text{heavy quark} \\ 2 \rightsquigarrow \text{light quark} \end{array} \right)$$

② Poincaré group generators

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{space translations : } \vec{P} \\ \text{time translation : } H = P^o = \sqrt{\vec{P}^2 + M^2} \\ \text{rotations : } \vec{J} = -i\vec{P} \times \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{P}} + \vec{S} \\ \text{boosts : } \vec{K} = -\frac{i}{2} \left\{ H, \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{P}} \right\} - \frac{\vec{P} \times \vec{S}}{H + M} \end{array} \right.$$

Constraint : M (mass operator) function of the internal variables only and rotationally invariant

③ Expression of the wave function Ψ with these new variables

$$\Psi \xrightarrow[\text{transformation}]{\text{unitary}} \Psi^{\text{int}}$$

Solution à la Bakamjian-Thomas (III)

- ④ Introduction of the internal wave function at rest φ of the meson :

$$\Psi_{s_1, s_2}^{int}(\vec{P}, \vec{k}_2) = (2\pi)^3 \delta(\vec{p}_1 + \vec{p}_2 - \vec{P}) \varphi_{s_1, s_2}(\vec{k}_2)$$

To sum it up

$$\Psi_{s_1, s_2}(\vec{p}_1, \vec{p}_2) = \sqrt{\frac{p_1^o + p_2^o}{M_o}} \frac{\sqrt{k_1^o k_2^o}}{\sqrt{p_1^o p_2^o}} \sum_{s'_1, s'_2} (D(\mathbf{R}_1)_{s_1, s'_1} D(\mathbf{R}_2)_{s_2, s'_2}) \Psi_{s'_1, s'_2}^{int}(\vec{P}, \vec{k}_2)$$

$D(R_i)$: spin 1/2 Wigner rotations (combination of boosts)

This is the " $\Psi' = U(\Lambda, a)\Psi$ "-like type transformation we were looking for

Consequence : the transition amplitude

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \psi' | J | \psi \rangle &= \int \frac{d\vec{p}_2}{(2\pi)^3} \sqrt{\frac{(p_1'^o + p_2^o)(p_1^o + p_2^o)}{M_o' M_o}} \frac{\sqrt{k_1'^o k_1^o}}{\sqrt{p_1'^o p_1^o}} \frac{\sqrt{k_2'^o k_2^o}}{\sqrt{p_2^o p_2'^o}} \\ &\times \sum_{s'_1, s'_2} \sum_{s_1, s_2} \varphi'_{s'_1, s'_2}(\vec{k}'_2)^* [D(\mathbf{R}'_1^{-1}) \mathbf{J}(\vec{p}'_1, \vec{p}_1) D(\mathbf{R}_1)]_{s'_1, s_1} D(\mathbf{R}'_2^{-1} \mathbf{R}_2)_{s'_2, s_2} \varphi_{s_1, s_2}(\vec{k}_2) \end{aligned}$$

Comments :

- ψ and ψ' : heavy meson states
- wave functions are “covariantized”
- current J defined as acting on the heavy quark in a frame,
BUT does not remain so in every frame...

⇒ extra assumption required to get a covariant amplitude

The infinite mass limit

Heavy quark symmetries

- ~> flavour of the heavy quark irrelevant
- ~> independent conservation of the heavy quark spin \vec{s}_1 and of the “light component” $\vec{j} = \vec{\ell} + \vec{s}_2$

Consequences

- ① Current J becomes covariant in this limit
- ② Decomposition of the internal wave function :

$$\varphi_{s_1, s_2}(\vec{k}_2) = \underbrace{\frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} (\chi \sigma_2)_{s_1 s_2}}_{\text{spin-orbit part}} \underbrace{\varphi(\|\vec{k}_2\|^2)}_{\text{radial part}}$$

(The spin-orbit part is calculated from angular momentum combination algebra)

Final result

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle \psi' | J | \psi \rangle = & \frac{1}{8} \frac{1}{\sqrt{v_o v'_o}} \int \frac{d\vec{p}_2}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{p_2^o} \frac{\sqrt{(p_2 \cdot v')(p_2 \cdot v)}}{\sqrt{(p_2 \cdot v' + m_2)(p_2 \cdot v + m_2)}} \\
 & \times \text{Tr} \left\{ J (1 + \gamma) (m_2 + p_2) \left(\mathbf{B}_{v'} \chi^\dagger \mathbf{B}_{v'}^{-1} \right) (1 + \gamma') \right\} \\
 & \times \phi_j (\overrightarrow{\|\mathbf{B}_{v'}^{-1} p_2\|^2})^* \varphi (\overrightarrow{\|\mathbf{B}_v^{-1} p_2\|^2})
 \end{aligned}$$

Covariance is now obvious :

for the 4 D^{**} states

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{B}_{v'} \chi_{(3P_0)}^\dagger \mathbf{B}_{v'}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} [\not{p}_2 - (p_2 \cdot v') \gamma'] \gamma_5 \\ \mathbf{B}_{v'} \chi_{(1P_1)}^\dagger \mathbf{B}_{v'}^{-1} = -(p_2 \cdot \epsilon^*) \\ \mathbf{B}_{v'} \chi_{(3P_1)}^\dagger \mathbf{B}_{v'}^{-1} = -\frac{i}{\sqrt{2}} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} v'_\mu \epsilon_\nu^* p_{2\rho} \gamma_\sigma \gamma_5 \\ \mathbf{B}_{v'} \chi_{(3P_2)}^\dagger \mathbf{B}_{v'}^{-1} = -\gamma^\mu p_2^\nu \epsilon_{\mu\nu}^* \gamma_5 \end{array} \right.$$

and J = combination of Dirac matrices

Conclusion and remarks

- Transition amplitudes written in a covariant way (group theoretical arguments *only*)
- NO dynamics used... yet...
- Known scaling behaviour of the infinite mass limit recovered, i.e. Isgur-Wise functions, and we even have expressions for them :

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{1/2}^{(n)}(w) = & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} \int \frac{d\vec{p}_2}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{p_2^o} \frac{\sqrt{(p_2 \cdot v')(p_2 \cdot v)}}{\sqrt{(p_2 \cdot v' + m_2)(p_2 \cdot v + m_2)}} \\ & \times \frac{(p_2 \cdot v)(p_2 \cdot v' + m_2) - (p_2 \cdot v')(p_2 \cdot v' + w m_2) + (1-w)m_2^2}{1-w} \\ & \times \phi_{\frac{1}{2}}^{(n)}(\overrightarrow{\|B_{v'}^{-1} p_2\|^2})^* \varphi^{(0)}(\overrightarrow{\|B_v^{-1} p_2\|^2}) \end{aligned}$$

- Sum rules (such as Bjorken) *spontaneously* satisfied
 - Quantitative predictions require the knowledge of the radial part of the internal wave functions at rest (the orange thingies)
- ⇒ choice of a mass operator M and resolution of a Schrödinger equation

Facteurs de Forme pour les processus $B \rightarrow D^{**}$ (avant)

Multiplet $j^P = 1/2^+$	
$J = 0$	$\langle \frac{1}{2} 0^+ V_\lambda B \rangle = 0$ $\langle \frac{1}{2} 0^+ A_\lambda B \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{v_0 v'_0}} \left[\tilde{u}_+(v_\lambda + v'_\lambda) + \tilde{u}_-(v_\lambda - v'_\lambda) \right]$
$J = 1$	$\langle \frac{1}{2} 1^+ V_\lambda B \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{v_0 v'_0}} \left[\tilde{l}_{1/2} \epsilon_\lambda^* + \epsilon_\alpha^* v^\alpha [\tilde{c}_{1/2+}(v_\lambda + v'_\lambda) + \tilde{c}_{1/2-}(v_\lambda - v'_\lambda)] \right]$ $\langle \frac{1}{2} 1^+ A_\lambda B \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{v_0 v'_0}} i \tilde{q}_{1/2} \epsilon_{\lambda\alpha\beta\gamma} (v^\beta + v'^\beta) (v^\gamma - v'^\gamma)$
Multiplet $j^P = 3/2^+$	
$J = 1$	$\langle \frac{3}{2} 1^+ V_\lambda B \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{v_0 v'_0}} \left[\tilde{l}_{3/2} \epsilon_\lambda^* + \epsilon_\alpha^* v^\alpha [\tilde{c}_{3/2+}(v_\lambda + v'_\lambda) + \tilde{c}_{3/2-}(v_\lambda - v'_\lambda)] \right]$ $\langle \frac{3}{2} 1^+ A_\lambda B \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{v_0 v'_0}} i \tilde{q}_{3/2} \epsilon_{\lambda\alpha\beta\gamma} (v^\beta + v'^\beta) (v^\gamma - v'^\gamma)$
$J = 2$	$\langle \frac{3}{2} 2^+ V_\lambda B \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{v_0 v'_0}} i \tilde{h}_{3/2} \epsilon_{\lambda\alpha\beta\gamma} \epsilon^{\alpha\mu*} v_\mu (v^\beta + v'^\beta) (v^\gamma - v'^\gamma)$ $\langle \frac{3}{2} 2^+ A_\lambda B \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{v_0 v'_0}} \left[\tilde{k} \epsilon_{\lambda\alpha}^* v^\alpha + \epsilon_{\alpha\beta}^* v^\alpha v^\beta [\tilde{b}_+(v_\lambda + v'_\lambda) + \tilde{b}_-(v_\lambda - v'_\lambda)] \right]$

Normalisation : $\langle M(\vec{v}') | M(\vec{v}) \rangle = (2\pi)^3 \delta^3(\vec{p} - \vec{p}')$

Facteurs de Forme pour les processus $B \rightarrow D^{**}$ (après)

Multiplet $j^P = 1/2^+$

$J = 0$	$\langle \frac{1}{2} 0^+ V_\lambda B \rangle = 0$ $\langle \frac{1}{2} 0^+ A_\lambda B \rangle = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{v_0 v'_0}} (v_\lambda - v'_\lambda) \tau_{1/2}(w)$
$J = 1$	$\langle \frac{1}{2} 1^+ V_\lambda B \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{v_0 v'_0}} \left[(v \cdot \epsilon^*) v'_\lambda + (1 - v \cdot v') \epsilon_\lambda^* \right] \tau_{1/2}(w)$ $\langle \frac{1}{2} 1^+ A_\lambda B \rangle = \frac{i}{\sqrt{v_0 v'_0}} \epsilon_{\lambda \sigma \rho \tau} v^\sigma \epsilon^{*\rho} v'^\tau \tau_{1/2}(w)$

Multiplet $j^P = 3/2^+$

$J = 1$	$\langle \frac{3}{2} 1^+ V_\lambda B \rangle = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{v_o v'_o}} \left[(v \cdot \epsilon^*) \left\{ v'_\lambda (v \cdot v' - 2) - 3 v_\lambda \right\} + \epsilon_\lambda^* (1 - v \cdot v') (1 + v \cdot v') \right] \tau_{3/2}(w)$ $\langle \frac{3}{2} 1^+ A_\lambda B \rangle = \frac{i}{2\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{v_o v'_o}} (1 + v \cdot v') \epsilon_{\lambda \sigma \rho \tau} v^\sigma \epsilon^{*\rho} v'^\tau \tau_{3/2}(w)$
$J = 2$	$\langle \frac{3}{2} 2^+ V_\lambda B \rangle = -i \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{v_o v'_o}} \epsilon_{\lambda \alpha \mu \beta} \epsilon^{*\mu \nu} v_\nu v^\alpha v'^\beta \tau_{3/2}(w)$ $\langle \frac{3}{2} 2^+ A_\lambda B \rangle = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{v_o v'_o}} \left[(1 + v \cdot v') \epsilon_{\lambda \nu}^* v^\nu - v^\mu v^\nu \epsilon_{\mu \nu}^* v'^\lambda \right] \tau_{3/2}(w)$

Normalisation: $\langle M(\vec{v}') | M(\vec{v}) \rangle = (2\pi)^3 \delta^3(\vec{p} - \vec{p}')$

On a posé: $w = v \cdot v'$

The magic...

The dynamics actually used in the model does not need to be relativistic ; it is the way of writing the matrix elements which is covariant !!!