

# $S_3$ Symmetric $qqq$ Force Dominance In High Momentum Limit of QCD For Understanding Proton Spin

A.N.Mitra \*

244 Tagore Park, Delhi-110009, India

## 1 Introduction

This little contribution aims to provide an example of *permutation symmetry*, whose ‘physics’ seems to apply to the structure of the proton itself ! The the-

---

\*Email: (1) ganmitra@nde.vsnl.net.in; (2) anmitra@physics.du.ac.in

oretical background is provided by a recent paper[1], hereafter designated as the *qqq* paper, wherein the concept of a fundamental 3-body force is introduced at the quark-gluon level, as a folding of a *ggg* vertex with 3 distinct  $\bar{q}gq$  vertices, making up a *Y*-shaped diagram (see fig 1). This is of course in addition to the standard pairwise *qq* force that is usually considered for baryon spectroscopy, but it turns out that in the high momentum limit of QCD, where the confining

$qq$  force may be neglected, the direct  $qqq$  force *dominates* over the pairwise  $qq$  forces, thus offering a new basis for exploring the structure of the proton in the high momentum limit of QCD, one in which the concept of permutation ( $S_3$ ) symmetry plays a central role. While referring the interested reader to [1] for mathematical details, in the context of the proton's spin anomaly [2] the essential features are the following.

The basic dynamics is provided by a

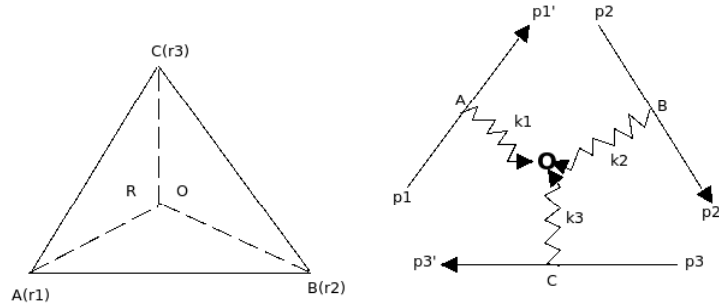


Figure 1: (a) Pictorial view of 2- & 3- body interactions; (b) ‘Mercedes-Benz’ diagram for qqg-force

*covariant* Salpeter-like equation [3] governed by what is termed in the literature as the Markov-Yukawa Transversality Principle (MYTP for short)[4,5] which specifies that all  $qq$  forces are *transverse* to the direction of the total hadron 4-momentum  $P_\mu$ —a gauge principle in disguise [6]! The Salpeter equation has

a remarkable property of a 3D-4D interlinkage [7] which can be formulated within Dirac's LF Dynamics [8,9] to take advantage of its bigger stability group. Using the notation, phase and normalization of [1], but skipping most of the details, the  $qqq$  force in 3D form reads

$$V_{qqq} = \frac{-g_s^4 [SSS]}{3 k_1^2 k_2^2 k_3^2} \quad (1.1)$$

where the dominant (spin-spin-spin) term  $SSS$  works out as

$$SSS = 2i\Sigma.(\eta - \eta') \times (\xi - \xi')$$

$$[k_1^2 + k_2^2 + k_3^2]/\sqrt{3} - 4[(\eta - \eta')$$

$$\times (\xi - \xi')^2 \quad (1.2)$$

$\Sigma$  being twice the total hadron spin operator. The procedure is now to insert this term within an interlinked 3D-4D BSE formalism wherein the complete 4D wave function  $\Psi$  satisfies a covariant Salpeter Eq a la MYTP on the light front (LF); The  $\Psi$  function whose spin dependence is fully described in terms of standard Dirac matrices, can be related through a sequence of transformations to a 3D scalar function  $\phi$  which (on re-

duction of the above 4D BSE) satisfies a 3D Schroedinger-like (albeit LF covariant) equation. Next, a *reconstruction* of  $\Psi$  in terms of  $\phi$  is achieved by Green's function techniques, so that the 4D spin structure of the former is recovered. Since the *qqq* paper [1] had ended at this stage, we need to start from this stage to collect (in Sect 2) some essential material outlining the solution for the  $\phi$  function, along with the reconstructed function  $\Psi$ . In Sect 3 we offer a first application

of this  $qqq$  formalism to the evaluation, using 4D loop diagrams, of some basic quantities like magnetic moments,  $g_{3,8,0}$  in the notation and normalization of [2] and the (less trivial) baryon structure function.

## 2 Structure of Full 4D $\Psi$

The LF momenta in 3D form are [7]:

$$p_{iz}; p_{i0} = \frac{Mp_{i+}}{P_+}; \frac{Mp_{i-}}{2P_-}$$

$$\hat{p}_i \equiv \{p_{i\perp}, p_{iz}\} \quad (2.1)$$



$$\sqrt{2}\xi = p_3 - p_2; \quad \sqrt{6}\eta = -2p_3 + p_1 + p_2; \quad (2.2)$$

There are three main steps

Step A: Define an auxiliary 4D scalar fn

$\Phi$ :

$$\Psi = \Pi_{123} S_{F_i}^{-1}(-p_i) \Phi(p_i p_2 p_3) W(P) \quad (2.3)$$

$$W(P) = [\chi' \phi' + \chi'' \phi''] / \sqrt{2} \quad (2.4)$$

$$|\chi' \rangle; |\chi'' \rangle = \left[ \frac{M - i\gamma \cdot P}{2M} [i\gamma_5; i\hat{\gamma}_\mu / \sqrt{3}] C / \sqrt{2} \right] \otimes [[1; \gamma_5 \hat{\gamma}_\mu] u(P)] \quad (2.5)$$

Step B: Set up the Master Eq for  $\Phi$  with

Gordon reduction.

Step C: Make a reduction of the Master Eq for 4D  $\Phi$  to one for 3D  $\phi$ ; then *reconstruct*  $\Phi$  in terms of  $\phi$ , via Green's fn method adapted to LF formalism [7]. The final result for reconstructed 4D spinor  $\Psi$  in terms 3D scalar  $\phi$  is

$$\Psi(\xi, \eta) = \Pi_{123} S_F(p_i) D_{123} W(P) \sum_{123} \frac{\phi(\hat{\xi}, \hat{\eta})}{(2\pi i)^2} \quad (2.6)$$

where

$$\frac{1}{D_{123}} = \int \frac{P_+^2 dq_{12-} dp_{3-}}{4M^2 (2i\pi)^2 \Delta_1 \Delta_2 \Delta_3} \quad (2.7)$$

and the 3D wave fn  $\phi$  satisfies a 6D Differential equation in coordinate space

with  $S_3$  symmetric variables

$$\sqrt{2}s_3 = r_1 - r_2; \quad \sqrt{6}t_3 = -2r_3 + r_1 + r_2 \quad (2.8)$$

Pending a completely satisfactory solution of Eq.(2.7), we have attempted an approximate representation of  $\Psi$  in a two-component matrix form  $\psi$  (due to the spin-dependence (1.1) of the  $qqq$  force,  $\psi$  with its 3D spin dependence, is a more convenient alternative to  $\phi$ , and is more readily comparable to the Orsay group's [10]), on the lines of the Orsay

group [10] who had used a mixture of 56 and 70 states, each with  $L = 0^+$ . In the present case, due to the high degree of  $qqq$  symmetry, it seems more appropriate to take a mixture of  $56; 0^+$  and  $20; 1^+$ , each with  $J = 1/2$ , but taking account of the full  $qqq$  symmetry :

$$\psi = \psi_s + i \frac{\sqrt{2}\Sigma.\eta \times \xi}{\xi^2 + \eta^2} \psi_0 \quad (2.9)$$

where  $\xi, \eta$  are given by Eq.(2.2), and the norm of the second term is for later convenience. It turns out that  $\psi_s, \psi_0$  satisfy almost identical equations rep-

resented symbolically as

$$D_{123}[\psi_s; \psi_0] = \int V_s [4(\eta \times \xi)^2 - 4X + \pm 2X](\psi_s; \psi_0); \quad (2.10)$$

where

$$X = \rho(\eta \times \xi \cdot \hat{P} / \sqrt{3}; \quad \rho = \xi^2 + \eta^2 \quad (2.11)$$

If as a first approximation, the term  $\pm 2X$  in Eq.(2.10) is dropped, there arises a remarkable simplification wherein the ratio of the  $\psi_s$  and  $\psi_0$  components is almost independent of the dynamics, except for a constant, while the dynamics

is almost entirely contained in a common function  $\psi$  satisfying an equation of the form (2.10). The effect of this simplification is best expressed by the relations

$$\psi_s = \cos \beta\psi; \quad \psi_0 = \sin \beta\psi \quad (2.12)$$

where the phase factor  $\beta$ , plays the role of the mixing angle  $\phi$  of [10]).

For the rest of the paper the 3D LF function  $\psi$  of Eq.(2.12) will play a passive role (of normalization), so it will be dropped from further consideration.

### 3 Basic Matrix Elements

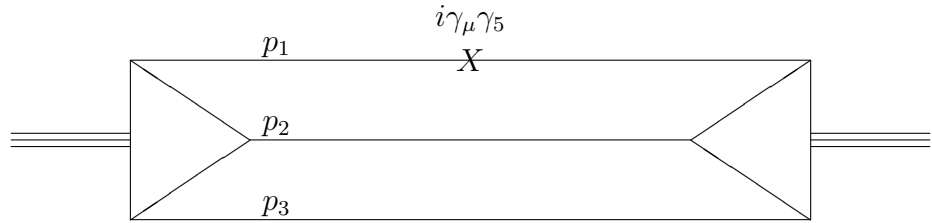


Figure 2: Schematic baryon spin diagram, with internal quark momenta  $p_1, p_2, p_3$  ; basic spin operator  $i\gamma_\mu\gamma_5$  is inserted in line  $p_1$ .

The baryonic matrix elements of a given operator  $A$ , are symbolically expressed by quantities like  $\langle B_{1,2} | A | B_{1,2} \rangle$ , where  $B_{1,2}$  are the two wave functions (56 and 20) of Eq.(2.9), whose full de-

degrees of freedom (including spin and isospin) are

$$\begin{aligned}
|B_1\rangle &= \psi \cos \beta (\phi' \chi' + \phi'' \chi'') / \sqrt{2} \\
|B_2\rangle &= \psi \sin \beta f_{20} (\phi' \chi'' - \phi'' \chi') / \sqrt{2}; \\
f_{20} &= i \frac{\sqrt{2} \Sigma \cdot \eta \times \xi}{\rho} \quad (3.1)
\end{aligned}$$

the last line representing the angular effect of the 20 state. For a given form of  $A$ , after evaluating the isospin part of the matrix element, the spin part involves overlaps like  $A' = \langle \chi' | A | \chi' \rangle$  and  $A'' = \langle \chi'' | A | \chi'' \rangle$  for the ‘direct’ [56  $\rightarrow$  56 and 20  $\rightarrow$  20] tran-



sitions, while the mixed transitions involve the overlap  $A_m = \langle \chi' | A | \chi'' \rangle$ , etc. Using the Dirac forms of the spin functions as given by (2.5), such overlaps correspond to loop integrals like in fig.2. A typical matrix element with  $A = 1$  (corresponding to a normalization integral) is of the form

$$\begin{aligned}
N' &= N'_{1;23} + 5\text{cyclicperms} \\
N'' &= N''_{1;23} + 5\text{cyclicperms} \quad (3.2)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
N'_{1;23} &= \bar{u}(P) S_F(p_1) \{1\} S_F(p_1) \gamma_5 C \\
&\quad S_F(p_2) C^{-1} \gamma_5 P_E
\end{aligned}$$

$$S_F(p_3)u(P)/2 \quad (3.3)$$

Similarly for  $N''_{1;23}$ . Same pattern for other physical quantities : electric charge ; spin  $i\gamma_\mu\gamma_5$

$$1 \Rightarrow ei\gamma_\mu[1/6 + \tau_3/2] \quad (3.4)$$

### 3.1 Spin Matrix Elements in Lowest Order

The spin matrix elements  $g_i$  in the notation of [2] are obtained with  $A = i\gamma_\mu\gamma_5\lambda_i$  within this formalism, where the  $\lambda'$ s are the Gellmann matrixes as given in Licht-

enberg [11]. The 56-20 mixing affects  $g_3$  but not  $g_8$  and  $g_0$ . The results in lowest order are

$$g_3 = (5/3) \cos^2 \beta - \sin^2 \beta; \quad g_8 = g_0 = 1/\sqrt{3} \quad (3.5)$$

Note that only  $g_3$  depends on  $\beta$ , and agrees with the observed value 1.248 for  $\beta \approx 24^{\text{deg}}$ . The other two quantities (at  $\approx 0.58$ ) agree with [2]. Of the latter, only  $g_0$  is affected by the 2-gluon anomaly, but not  $g_8$ .

## 4 Two-gluon Anomaly Operator

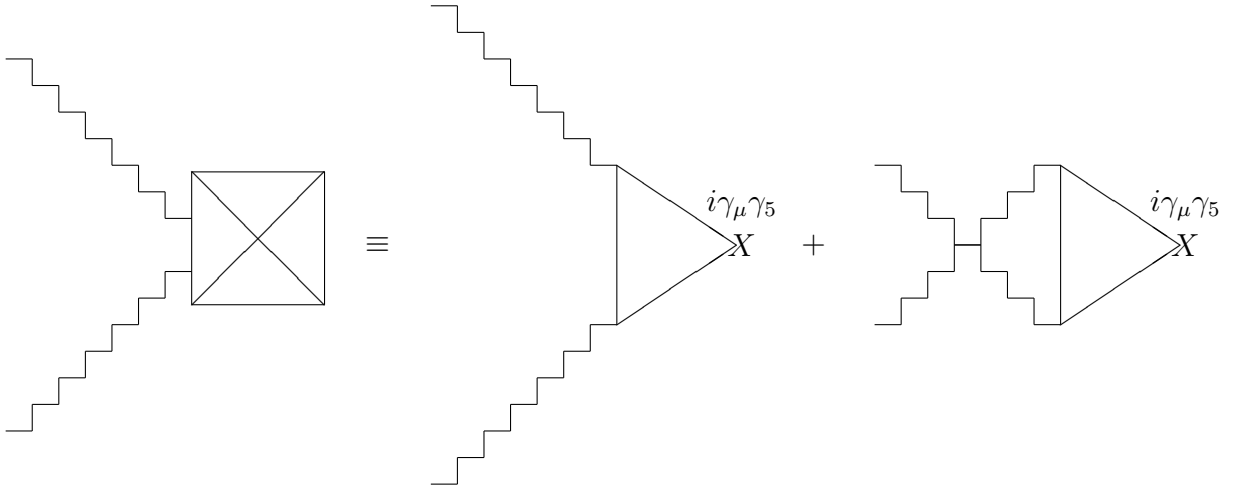


Figure 3: Two gluon operator (crossed box) representing a sum of two distinct diagrams for axial vector coupling

The 2-gluon anomaly operator  $\Delta_{\mu\nu\lambda}$  ‘crossed box’ as a sum of two triangle diagrams, is

$$\Delta_{\mu\nu\lambda}(k) = \frac{ig_s^2}{(2\pi)^4} \text{Tr}[\int d^4q i\gamma_\nu S_F(q + k_1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& i\gamma_\mu\gamma_5 S_F(q+k_2)i\gamma_\lambda S_F(q)] \\
& +conj \qquad\qquad\qquad (4.1)
\end{aligned}$$

Gauge Invariance duly incorporated.

Result

$$\Delta_{\mu\nu\lambda} \approx \alpha_s \epsilon_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} k_\sigma; \qquad (4.2)$$

#### 4.1 **Spin corrections from 2-gluon Anomaly**

Now insert  $\Delta_{\mu\nu\lambda}$  in the quark lines Fig. 3 – forward scattering amplitude for the baryon.

Two ways for insertion : 1) self-energy-

like in line  $p_1$  ( Fig.3a); Designate these as  $\Sigma'$  ,  $\Sigma''$  2) exchange -like connecting  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  (Fig.3b). Designate these as  $V'$  ,  $V''$  respectively. And add their allowed perms as before.

$$\begin{aligned}
\Sigma' = & \frac{2g_s^2}{3(2\pi)^4} \int d^4k \bar{u}(P) P_s S_F(p_1) \\
& \Delta_{\mu\nu\lambda} i\gamma_\nu S_F(p_1 - k) i\gamma_\lambda D^2(k) S_F(p_1) P_E \\
& \frac{1}{2} \gamma_5 C S_F(-p_2) C^{-1} \gamma_5 P_E S_F(p_3) \\
& P_s u(P) + conj
\end{aligned} \tag{4.3}$$

A similar form exists for  $\Sigma''$ . For the exchange type insertions,  $V'$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
V' = & \frac{2g_s^2}{3(2\pi)^4} \int d^4k \bar{u}(P) P_s S_F(p_1) \frac{P_E \gamma_5}{2} \\
& \Delta_{\mu\nu\lambda} S_F(-p_2 + k) \gamma_\nu D(k) S_F(-p_2) \\
& \gamma_5 P_E S_F(p_3) \gamma_\lambda D(k) S_F(p_3 + k) P_s u(P) \\
& + conj
\end{aligned} \tag{4.4}$$

Similar result for  $V''$ . These quantities, when integrated over  $s d\tau$ , and divided by the normalizer  $N$ , qualify directly as 2-gluon anomaly corrections (same relative normalization) to the spin matrix element  $g_A^{(0)}$ . The process involves:

(a) integration over  $d^4k$ ;

(b) integration over  $d\tau$ , as in above.

The (logarithmic) divergence of the  $k$ -integration is removed by dimensional regularization of t'Hooft and Veltmann.

The result for the fractional correction to  $g_A^{(0)}$  may be expressed in the form

$$\delta g_A = \theta \left[ \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \right]^2 g_A^{(0)}. \quad (4.5)$$

And a very crude estimate yields

$$\theta \sim -2.0$$

which with  $\alpha \approx 0.39$ , amounts to a small correction, albeit of the right sign.



## 5 Summary and Conclusion

To conclude, we have presented a first application of a new form of dynamics within the framework of QCD in the high momentum limit, viz., the role of a direct  $qqq$  force which has been shown to produce an additional singularity in the structure of the  $qqq$  wave fn  $\phi$ . This application indicates the possibility of addressing the details of the proton structure function, including spin anomaly, through the inclusion of internal dynam-

ics.

## References

- [1] A.N. Mitra, Ann. Phys(NY). **323**,  
845-865 (2007).
- [2] S.D. Bass Rev. Mod. Phys. **77**,  
1257-1302 (2005).
- [3] E.E. Salpeter, Phys.Rev. **87**, 328  
(1952).
- [4] M.A. Markov, Sov. J. Phys. **3**, 452  
(1940).

- [5] H. Yukawa, Phys.Rev. **77**, 219 (1950).
- [6] J. Lukierski and M. Oziwicz, Phys. Lett. **B69**, 339 (1977).
- [7] A.N. Mitra, Nucl. Phys. **A684**, 313c (2000).
- [8] P.A.M. Dirac, Rev. Mod. Phys. **21**, 392 (1949).
- [9] S. Weinberg, Phys. Rev. **150**, 1313 (1966).

- [10] A.Le Yaouanc et al, Phys.Rev.  
**D12**, 2137 (1975).
- [11] D.B. Lichtenberg, *Unitary Symmetry and Elementary Particles*,  
Second Edition, Academic Press,  
Inc, New York, 1978.

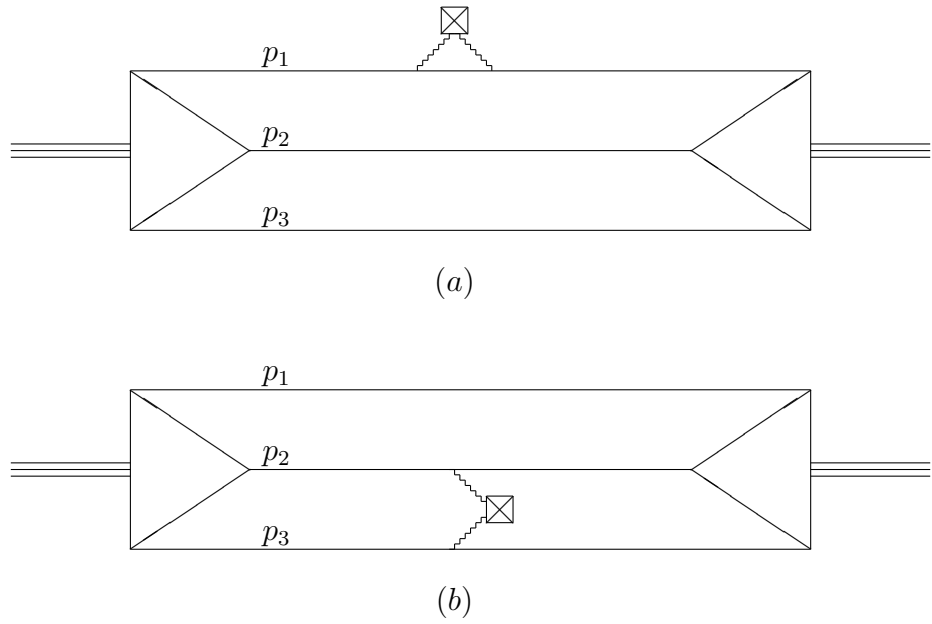


Figure 4: Two-gluon operator, fig (2), inserted in the internal quark lines of the baryon: (a) ‘self-energy’ like insertion in line  $p_1$ ; (b) ‘exchange-like’ insertion connecting lines  $p_2$  and  $p_3$