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Logunov and Nguyen Van Hieu [1] have shown, by determining the width of the diffraction peak of processes in which scalar particles take part, namely $a + b \rightarrow a + b$ (I) and $a + b \rightarrow c + d$ (II)

$$\Delta^{I, II} = \sigma^{I, II} / (d\sigma^{I, II} / dt) \quad (1)$$

that $\Delta^{I, II}$ cannot decrease with increasing S (the square of the energy) more rapidly than $\text{const}/\ln^2 S$. We shall show in this paper that this behavior holds also in the case of particles with spins, and obtain explicit expressions for the constants preceding the indicated functions of S .

We consider first the elastic scattering processes (I). We denote by λ_i and λ'_i ($i = a, b$) the helicities of the initial and final particles. We expand the invariant helicity amplitudes in terms of partial waves as follows (see [2])

$$F_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \lambda'_a \lambda'_b}(S, t) = 8\pi \frac{\sqrt{S}}{k} \sum (2J+1) f_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \lambda'_a \lambda'_b}^J(S) d_{\lambda \mu}^J(\cos \theta), \quad (2)$$

where

$$\lambda = \lambda_a - \lambda_b; \quad \mu = \lambda'_a - \lambda'_b,$$

$$d_{\lambda \mu}^J(\theta) = \frac{1}{2\lambda} \left[\frac{(J+\lambda)! (J-\lambda)!}{(J+\mu)! (J-\mu)!} \right]^{1/2} \times \quad (3)$$

$$\times (1 + \cos \theta)^{\frac{\lambda+\mu}{2}} (1 - \cos \theta)^{\frac{\lambda-\mu}{2}} P_{J-\lambda}^{\lambda-\mu, \lambda+\mu}(\cos \theta)$$

for $\lambda \geq |\mu|$.

$$d_{-\lambda, -\mu}^J(\theta) = d_{\mu \lambda}^J(\theta) = (-1)^{\lambda-\mu} d_{\lambda \mu}^J(\theta).$$

As is well known, the presence of the singular factors $(1 + \cos \theta)^{|\lambda+\mu|/2} (1 - \cos \theta)^{|\lambda-\mu|/2}$ in the d-functions causes $F_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \lambda'_a \lambda'_b}$ to be non-analytic in $z = \cos \theta$ in the region containing the segment $[-1, 1]$.

We shall consider therefore amplitudes that are free of singular factors:

$$\tilde{F}_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \lambda'_a \lambda'_b}(S, z) = (1+z)^{-|\lambda+\mu|/2} (1-z)^{-|\lambda-\mu|/2} F_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \lambda'_a \lambda'_b}(S, z). \quad (4)$$

These amplitudes are analytic in the Martin ellipse [3] with foci at $z = \pm 1$ and major axis $z_0 = 1 + 2\gamma/S$ ($\gamma > 0$). They can be represented in the form of series in the polynomials

$$e_{\lambda \mu}^J(z) = (1+z)^{-|\lambda+\mu|/2} (1-z)^{-|\lambda-\mu|/2} d_{\lambda \mu}^J(\theta) \quad (5)$$

in the following manner:

$$\tilde{F}_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \lambda'_a \lambda'_b}(S, z) = 8\pi \frac{\sqrt{S}}{k} \sum_J (2J+1) f_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \lambda'_a \lambda'_b}^J(S) e_{\lambda \mu}^J(z). \quad (6)$$

Applying the Cauchy formula to these functions $\bar{F}_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \lambda_a' \lambda_b'}$ and repeating the entire reasoning of Greenberg and Low [4], we can show that $f_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \lambda_a' \lambda_b'}^J$ decrease exponentially when $J \rightarrow \infty$

$$|f_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \lambda_a' \lambda_b'}^J|^2 < R(S) [1 + 2\sqrt{\gamma/S}]^{-J}. \quad (7)$$

Marhoux and Martin have shown [5] that any regularized helicity amplitude satisfies dispersion relations with a finite number of subtractions in the circle $|t| < \gamma$. Using this result and applying the arguments of our earlier paper [6] we get

$$|f_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \lambda_a' \lambda_b'}^J|^2 < \text{Im} f_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \lambda_a' \lambda_b'}^J \leq \text{const} \cdot S^{9/4} [1 + 2\sqrt{\gamma/S}]^{-J}. \quad (8)$$

We denote by J_0 the value of J at which the right side of (8) equals unity, $J_0 = 9/8(S^{1/2}/\gamma^{1/2}) \times \ln S$. Using the Schwartz inequality and the estimates

$$P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(1) = \binom{n+\alpha}{n}, \quad \left| P_n^{(\alpha, \beta)}(\theta) \right| = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi n}} \frac{1}{(\cos\theta/2)^{\beta+1/2}} \frac{1}{(\sin\theta/2)^{\alpha+1/2}}$$

$$\theta \neq 0, \pi$$

(see formulas (4.11) and (8.21.10) of [7]), we can show that when $S \rightarrow \infty$ the diffraction peak satisfies the inequality

$$\left. \frac{1}{\sigma^I} \frac{d\sigma^I}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \leq 1 + \rho/2)^2 \frac{1}{\gamma} \ln^2 S.$$

$$\left. \frac{1}{\sigma^I} \frac{d\sigma^I}{d\cos\theta} \right|_{\theta \neq 0, \pi} \leq 1 + \frac{\rho}{2} \frac{S^{1/2} \ln S}{\pi \sin\theta \sqrt{\gamma}},$$

where ρ is a constant such that $\sigma^I \geq \text{const} \cdot S^{-\rho}$.

Let us consider the process (II). We expand the amplitudes in partial waves

$$F_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \lambda_c \lambda_d} = 8\pi \sqrt{\frac{S}{kk'}} \sum_J (2J+1) g_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \lambda_c \lambda_d}^J d_{\lambda_a \mu}^J(\theta)$$

It follows from the unitarity condition that

$$\text{Im} f_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \lambda_c \lambda_d}^J = \sum_{\lambda_a' \lambda_b'} |f_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \lambda_a' \lambda_b'}^J|^2 + \sum_{\lambda_c \lambda_d} |g_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \lambda_c \lambda_d}^J|^2 + \dots$$

We therefore have

$$|g_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \lambda_c \lambda_d}^J| \leq \sqrt{\text{Im} f_{\lambda_a \lambda_b \lambda_c \lambda_d}^J} \leq \text{const} \cdot S^{9/8} [1 + \sqrt{\gamma/S}]^{-J}.$$

Repeating the same calculations as for the elastic processes, we get

$$\left. \frac{1}{\sigma^{II}} \frac{d\sigma^{II}}{dt} \right|_{t=0} \leq \frac{1}{\gamma} \left(1 + \frac{\rho'}{2} \right)^2 \ln^2 S,$$

$$\frac{1}{\sigma^{\text{II}}} \left. \frac{d\sigma^{\text{II}}}{d\cos\theta} \right|_{\theta \neq 0, \pi} \leq \left(1 + \frac{\rho^-}{2}\right) \frac{S^{1/2} \ln S}{\pi \sin\theta \sqrt{\gamma}},$$

where ρ is a constant such that $\sigma^{\text{II}} \geq \text{const} \cdot S^{-\rho'}$.

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TRANSVERSALITY OF FIELDS OF VECTOR AND AXIAL-VECTOR MESONS AND HELICITY SYMMETRIES

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We establish in this paper, on the basis of the Lagrangian formalism, the connection between the condition of the transversality of the fields of V and A mesons with helicity symmetries. We show that in theories in which the V and A fields remain transverse also in the interactino, a helicity group arises and moreover the field algebra is satisfied.

We consider the most general relativistically- and P-invariant Lagrangian with dimensionless coupling constants, describing the interaction of a generally arbitrary and different number of fields

$$P^{\alpha}(0^-), \sigma^{\alpha}(0^+), V_{\mu}^i(\Gamma), A_{\mu}^m(\Gamma^+), B^r(1/2^+) \quad (1)$$

and we construct the corresponding equations of motion. We assume, in addition, that

$$\partial_{\mu} V_{\mu}^i = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_V; \quad \partial_{\mu} A_{\mu}^m = 0, \quad m = 1, \dots, n_A. \quad (2)$$

The subsequent analysis is based on a general remark [1], according to which the equations of motion should not produce excessive limitations¹⁾ on the number of degrees of freedom of the fields (1). Therefore each term of the independent Lorentz structure in the additional conditions

$$\begin{aligned} (m_V^2)_{ij} \partial_{\mu} V_{\mu}^j &= R^i(P, \sigma, V, A, B) = 0, \\ (m_A^2)_{mn} \partial_{\mu} A_{\mu}^n &= Q^m(P, \sigma, V, A, B) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

(obtained by taking the 4-divergences of the equations of motions of the V and A fields and replacing in the resultant expression the higher-order derivatives of the fields (1) in accordance with the equations of motion, and then using conditions (2)) should vanish as a result of the coefficient. This yields a number of relations for the mass matrices and the

¹⁾ Except for the necessary limitations, such as the transversality conditions (2) and the equations of motion of the fields V_{μ} and A_{μ} themselves (at $\mu = 4$).