

Level Degeneracy of the Generalized N -Particle Dual Amplitude with Satellites*

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We show that the level degeneracy at $\alpha(s)=n$ for the general N -point function with satellites is $d_n \sim e^{n\gamma}$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ where $\gamma = 1 - 1/(2k+1)$, $k=1, 2, \dots$. The form of the single loop constructed from such amplitudes is briefly discussed.

WHEN the Veneziano model¹ was originally introduced as a specific example of a dual crossing-symmetric four-point function, it was not apparent whether there was any fundamental difference between a single-term amplitude and a many-term amplitude (B function with satellites).

After the general N -point function with satellites had been constructed,² it became apparent that the presence of satellite terms modified the properties of the N -point function considerably.

Examination of the *simplest* class of N -point functions with satellites showed

(i) that the mass degeneracy is changed [from $d_n \sim \exp n^{1/2}$ to $d_n \sim \exp n^{2/3}$];

(ii) that the invariance of the amplitude under the one-parameter gauge group of projective transformations was lost,⁴ depriving the naively factorized amplitude of ghost-eliminating mechanisms;

(iii) that it was impossible to eliminate the essential singularity in the factorized planar loop by a particular choice of satellite terms.⁵

In this paper we extend the analysis to the *general* class of N -point functions with satellites discussed in Ref. 2.

Our main result is that the N -point scalar dual amplitudes with satellites B_N can be classified into sets $\{B_N^k\}$ $k=1, 2, \dots$ (as was essentially done in Ref. 2) such that the level degeneracy at $\alpha(s)=n$ for the amplitude B_N^k is

$$d_n^{(k)} \sim \exp(b_k n^{\gamma_k}) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty, \quad (1)$$

where

$$\gamma_k = 1 - 1/(2k+1), \quad k \geq 1. \quad (2)$$

We examine the N -point function with satellites using the terminology of Ref. 2. The N -point scalar amplitude has the form

$$\begin{aligned} B_N(p_i) &= \int \left(\prod_i dx_i \right) \tilde{\phi}_N(x_i, p_i) \\ &= \int \left(\prod_i dx_i \right) \phi_N(x_i, p_i) \exp F_N(x_i), \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

where $F_N \equiv 0$ corresponds to the usual N -point function.

The satellite function $F_N(x_i)$ has the form

$$F_N(x_i) = \sum_k F_N^k(x_i), \quad (4)$$

where

$$F_N^k(x_i) = \sum f_N^k(u_{l,l+1}, \dots, u_{l-2,l-1}), \quad (5)$$

the sum in Eq. (5) being taken over the N sets of u 's at the vertices of the dual polygon. Only a finite number of the f_N^k are nonzero, and they have the form

$$\begin{aligned} f_N^k(x_1, \dots, x_{N-3}) &= \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k \leq N-3} x_{i_1} x_{i_1+1} \dots x_{i_k} (1-x_{i_1}) (1-x_{i_2}) \dots \\ &\quad \times (1-x_{i_k}) \tilde{f}_{k+3}(x_{i_1}, x_{i_2}, \dots, x_{i_k}). \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Let us factorize the $N=(r+s+4)$ -point function given by Fig. 1 in the $s=(\sum p_i)^2=(\sum q_j)^2$ channel. If z is the variable associated with this channel (Fig. 2), we expand F_N^k as

$$F_N^k = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n D_n^k(x, y), \quad (7)$$

associating x_i with the incoming momenta p_i , y_j with the outgoing momenta q_j . By construction,² D_n^k is a finite sum of factorized terms. Suppose D_n^k can be factorized in a *symmetric* way in the *least* number of factored terms as

$$D_n^k(x, y) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{\delta_n^k} L_{n\alpha}^k(x) R_{n\alpha}^k(y). \quad (8)$$

Then, from Eq. (4),

$$\begin{aligned} F_N &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n \sum_k D_n^k(x, y) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} z^n \sum_{\alpha=1}^{\delta_n} L_{n\alpha}(x) R_{n\alpha}(y) \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

in an obvious notation, where $\delta_n = \sum_k \delta_n^k < \infty$.

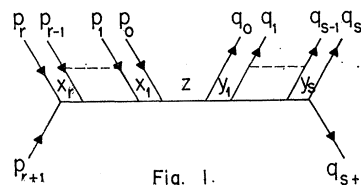


FIG. 1. $N=(r+s+4)$ -point function in multiperipheral configuration.

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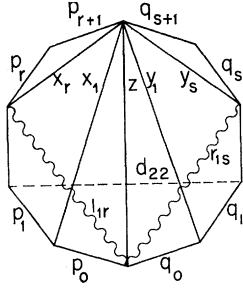


FIG. 2. Momentum-space dual diagram of Fig. 1.

Inserting Eq. (9) in Eq. (3) gives

$$B_N = \int \left[\prod_i dx_i \tilde{\Phi}_{r+3}(x_i, p_i) \right] \left[\prod_j dy_j \tilde{\Phi}_{s+3}(y_j, q_j) \right] \\ \times \int_0^1 dz z^{-\alpha(s)-1} (1-z)^{\alpha(0)-1} \\ \times \exp \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} z^n \left[-P^{(n)} Q^{(n)} + \sum_{\alpha} L_{n\alpha}(x) R_{n\alpha}(y) \right], \quad (10)$$

in the usual notation.⁶

We see from Eq. (9) that we can perform the single factorization by introducing harmonic-oscillator operators $a_{\mu}^{(s)}$ ($\mu = 0, 1, 2, 3$), $A_{\alpha}^{(r)}$ ($\alpha = 1, 2, \dots, \delta_r$) satisfying

$$[a_{\mu}^{(r)}, a_{\nu}^{\dagger(s)}] = -\delta_{rs} g_{\mu\nu}, \quad [A_{\alpha}^{(r)}, A_{\beta}^{\dagger(s)}] = \delta_{rs} \eta_{\alpha\beta}, \quad (11)$$

with all other commutators zero. The $a^{(r)}$ are the usual four-dimensional operators⁷ that couple to the external momenta, and the $A^{(r)}$ couple to the additional internal degrees of freedom. The metric $\eta_{\alpha\beta}$ is determined by the details of F_N .

Since single factorization is sufficient to excite all modes, Eq. (11) implies an internal Hamiltonian

$$H = - \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} r (a_{\mu}^{\dagger(r)} g_{\mu\nu} a_{\nu}^{(r)} - A_{\alpha}^{\dagger(r)} \eta_{\alpha\beta} A_{\beta}^{(r)}). \quad (12)$$

If d_n is the degeneracy of H with eigenvalue n , we have

$$P(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} d_n x^n = \text{Tr} x^H = \prod_{r=1}^{\infty} (1-x^r)^{-4-\delta_r}. \quad (13)$$

We now compute δ_n^k [Eq. (8)] for large n .

(a) $k=1$.⁵ Expand $f_4(x)$ as

$$x(1-x)\tilde{f}_4(x) = \sum_{k \geq 1} e_k (1-x)^k, \quad (14)$$

where $\sum e_k = 0$. The main contribution to δ_n^1 comes from the sum

$$F_N'^1 = \sum_{1 \leq p \leq r+1; 1 \leq q \leq s+1} d_{pq} (1-d_{pq}) \tilde{f}_4(d_{pq}), \quad (15)$$

⁶ S. Fubini and G. Veneziano, Nuovo Cimento **44A**, 811 (1969).
⁷ Y. Nambu, University of Chicago Report No. EFI 69-44 (unpublished); S. Fubini, D. Gordon, and G. Veneziano, Phys. Letters **29B**, 679 (1969).

where d_{pq} are the lines intersecting z . The d_{pq} satisfy

$$(1-d_{pq})^k = \sum_{s+t=r-k}^{\infty} C_r^{st}(k) x_p^s (\rho_{p-1} z \sigma_{q-1})^r y_q^t, \quad (16)$$

where $\rho_p = x_1 x_2 \cdots x_p$, $\sigma_q = y_1 y_2 \cdots y_q$, and

$$C_r^{st}(k) = \sum_{p+q=r-k} (-1)^{s+t} \binom{-k}{p} \binom{-k}{q} \\ \times \binom{k}{s-p} \binom{k}{t-q}. \quad (17)$$

Inserting Eq. (14) into Eq. (15), we have

$$F_N'^1 = \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} z^r \sum_{s+t=r-1}^{\infty} L_{rs}(x) C_r^{st} R_{rt}(y), \quad (18)$$

where

$$C_r^{st} = \sum_{k \geq 1} C_r^{st}(k) e_k \quad (19)$$

and

$$L_{rs}(x) = \sum_{p=1}^{r+1} x_p^s \rho_{p-1}^r, \quad R_{rt}(y) = \sum_{q=1}^{s+1} y_q^t \sigma_{q-1}^r. \quad (20)$$

Diagonalizing C_r , we write

$$F_N'^1 = \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} z^r \sum_{\alpha=0}^r L_{r\alpha}'(x) \lambda_{\alpha\beta}^r R_{r\beta}'(y), \quad (21)$$

where $\lambda_{\alpha\beta}^r$ are the signs of the eigenvalues of C_r .

The z -dependent terms in F_N^1 omitted in $F_N'^1$ add only a constant number of factorized terms to each mode. Thus

$$\delta_r^1 \sim r \quad \text{as } r \rightarrow \infty. \quad (22)$$

(b) $k \geq 1$. One of the terms giving the asymptotic forms of δ_n^k is $F_N'^k = F_N^{(1)k} + F_N^{(2)k}$, where

$$F_N^{(1)k} = \sum_{1 \leq p \leq r+1} \sum_{1 \leq q_1 < \dots < q_{k-1} \leq s+1} l_{1p} (1-l_{1p}) d_{p1} \cdots \\ \times d_{pq_{k-1}} (1-d_{pq_1}) (1-d_{pq_2}) \cdots \\ \times (1-d_{pq_{k-1}}) \tilde{f}_{k+3}(l_{1p}, d_{pq_1}, \dots, d_{pq_{k-1}}), \quad (23)$$

$$F_N^{(2)k} = \sum_{1 \leq q \leq s+1} \sum_{1 \leq p_1 < \dots < p_{k-1} \leq r+1} r_{1q} (1-r_{1q}) d_{1q} \cdots \\ \times d_{pq_{k-1}} (1-d_{p_1 q}) (1-d_{p_2 q}) \cdots \\ \times (1-d_{p_{k-1} q}) \tilde{f}_{k+3}(r_{1q}, d_{p_1 q}, \dots, d_{p_{k-1} q}). \quad (24)$$

The l_{1p} , r_{1q} (Fig. 2) satisfy

$$(1-l_{1p})^k = \sum_{s+t=r-k}^{\infty} C_r^{st}(k) x_p^s \rho_{p-1}^r z^t, \quad (25)$$

with a similar expression for r_{1q} .

Expand f_{k+3} as

$$x_1(1-x_2)\cdots(1-x_k)x_k\tilde{f}_{k+3}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k)$$

$$= \sum_{l_1 \geq 1; i=1,2,\dots,k} e_{l_1 l_2 \dots l_k} (1-x_1)^{l_1} \cdots (1-x_k)^{l_k}, \quad (26)$$

where

$$\sum_{l_1 \geq 1} e_{l_1 \dots l_k} = \sum_{l_k \geq 1} e_{l_1 \dots l_k} = 0.$$

Then, from Eqs. (16), (25), and

$$d_p 1 \cdots d_{pqk-1} = 1 - \sum_{st \leq r=1}^{\infty} C_r^{st}(1) x_p^s \rho_{p-1}^r \sigma_{qk-1}^t, \quad (27)$$

we obtain

$$F_N^{(1)k} = \sum_{1 \leq p \leq s+1} \sum_{1 \leq q_1 < \dots < q_{k-1} \leq s+1} \left\{ \sum_{a_i, b_i \leq c_i=1; i=0,1,\dots,k-1}^{\infty} E_{c_0, \dots, c_{k-1}}^{a_0, \dots, a_{k-1}; b_0, \dots, b_{k-1}} x_p^{a+a_0} \rho_{p-1}^{c+c_0} \right. \\ \left. \times z^{c+b_0} \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \sigma_{q_i-1}^{c_i} y_{q_i}^{b_i} \left[1 - \sum_{a_k b_k \leq c_k=1}^{\infty} C_{c_k}^{a_k b_k}(1) x_p^{a_k} \rho_{p-1}^{c_k} \sigma_{q_{k-1}-1}^{b_k} \right] \right\}, \quad (28)$$

where

$$E_{c_0, \dots, c_{k-1}}^{a_0, \dots, a_{k-1}; b_0, \dots, b_{k-1}} = \sum_{l_i \geq 0; i=0,1,\dots,k-1} e_{l_0 \dots l_{k-1}} C_{c_0}^{a_0 b_0}(l_0) C_{c_1}^{a_1 b_1}(l_1) \cdots C_{c_{k-1}}^{a_{k-1} b_{k-1}}(l_{k-1}), \quad (29)$$

and where

$$a = \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} a_k \quad \text{and} \quad c = \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} c_k.$$

In an obvious notation, we can write Eq. (28) as

$$F_N^{(1)k} = \sum_{b_0} \sum_{b_i \leq c_i=1; i=1,\dots,k-1}^{\infty} L_0^{c_1, \dots, c_{k-1}; b_0, \dots, b_{k-1}}(x) z^{c+b_0} R_2^{c_1, \dots, c_{k-1}; b_1, \dots, b_{k-1}}(y) \\ - \sum_{b_0} \sum_{b_i \leq c_i=1; i=1,\dots,k} L_1^{c_1, \dots, c_k; b_0, \dots, b_k}(x) z^{c+c_k+b_0} R_2^{c_1, \dots, c_{k-1}+b_k; b_1, \dots, b_{k-1}}(y), \quad (30)$$

where

$$R_2^{c_1, \dots, c_{k-1}; b_1, \dots, b_{k-1}}(y) = \sum_{1 \leq q_1 < \dots < q_{k-1} \leq N-3} \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \sigma_{q_i-1}^{c_i} y_{q_i}^{b_i}, \\ L_0^{c_1, \dots, c_{k-1}; b_0, \dots, b_{k-1}}(x) = \sum_{1 \leq p \leq s+1} \sum_{c_0} \sum_{a_i \leq c_i; i=0,\dots,k-1} E_{c_0, \dots, c_{k-1}}^{a_0, \dots, a_{k-1}; b_0, \dots, b_{k-1}} x_p^{a+a_0} \rho_{p-1}^{c+c_0}, \quad (31) \\ L_1^{c_1, \dots, c_k; b_0, \dots, b_k}(x) = \sum_{1 \leq p \leq s+1} \sum_{c_0} \sum_{a_i \leq c_i; i=0,\dots,k-1} C_{c_k}^{a_k b_k}(1) \\ \times E_{c_0, \dots, c_{k-1}}^{a_0, \dots, a_{k-1}; b_0, \dots, b_{k-1}} x_p^{a+a_0+a_k} \rho_{p-1}^{c+c_0+c_k}.$$

Equation (30) can be written formally as

$$F_N^{(1)k} = \sum_{n=k-1}^{\infty} z^n \sum_{\alpha=1}^{\delta_n^{k(0)}} L_{0\alpha}^{(n)}(x) R_{2\alpha}'^{(n)}(y) - \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} z^n \sum_{\alpha=1}^{\delta_n^{k(1)}} L_{1\alpha}^{(n)}(x) R_{2\alpha}^{(n)}(y). \quad (32)$$

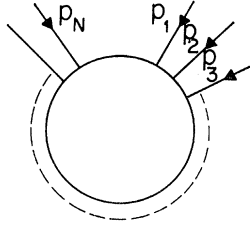
$F_N'^k$ [Eq. (23)] then has the factorized form

$$F_N'^k = \sum_{n=k-1}^{\infty} z^n \sum_{\alpha=1}^{\delta_n^{k(0)}} [L_{0\alpha}^{(n)}(x) R_{2\alpha}'^{(n)}(y) + L_{2\alpha}'^{(n)}(x) R_{0\alpha}^{(n)}(y)] \\ - \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} z^n \sum_{\alpha=1}^{\delta_n^{k(1)}} [L_{1\alpha}^{(n)}(x) R_{2\alpha}^{(n)}(y) + L_{2\alpha}^{(n)}(x) R_{1\alpha}^{(n)}(y)], \quad (33)$$

where a similar expansion has been performed for $F_N^{(2)k}$.

To factorize $F_N'^k$ symmetrically, we have to make the substitution

$$-(L_1 R_2 + L_2 R_1) = L_1 R_1 + L_2 R_2 - (L_1 + L_2)(R_1 + R_2), \quad (34)$$

FIG. 3. N -particle planar loop.

This gives rise to a large number of components with negative metric which will give ghosts in the level degeneracy.

As in Ref. 4, the spectral function e^{FN} will not have any simple projective transformation properties, and there will be no mechanism for eliminating these ghosts (i.e., there will be no spurious states).

We observe immediately that $\delta_n^{(k)}(1) > \delta_n^{(k)}(0)$, so we restrict ourselves to examining the second term on the right-hand side of Eq. (30). In order that $\delta_n^{(k)}(1)$ be the *least* number of factored terms, there must be no linear dependences between the $R_\alpha^{(n)}$ or between the $L_\alpha^{(n)}$. That this is the case for the $R_\alpha^{(n)}(y)$ follows directly from Eq. (31). It is also apparent that for general values of the $e_{l_0 \dots l_{k-1}}$ the $L_{1\alpha}^{(n)}(x)$ will be linearly independent.⁸

Fixing the power of z at $c + c_k + b_k = n$ in the second term of Eq. (30), we have

$$\delta_n^{(k)}(1) \sim b_k^{(1)} n^{2k-1}. \quad (35)$$

Since the other z -dependent terms in F_N^k give similar power behavior [if they contain l_{1p} and d_{pq_i} , $i=1, 2, \dots$] or less, we have

$$\delta_n^{(k)} \sim b_k n^{2k-1} \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty, k > 1. \quad (36)$$

Let $\{B_N^k\}$ be the set of N -point functions for which $f_N^k \neq 0$, $f_N^l = 0$, $l > k$ [i.e., the simplest set of N -point functions ($N > k+3$) compatible with arbitrary $(k+3)$ - and lesser-point functions]. Then, for a particular B_N^k

$$\delta_n^{(k)} = \sum_l \delta_n^{(l)} \sim b_k n^{2k-1}, \quad k \geq 1 \quad (37)$$

where the sum is over the nonzero $\delta_n^{(l)}$, $l \leq k$.

The level degeneracy of B_N^k at $\alpha(s) = n$ is $d_n^{(k)}$, where⁹

$$P^{(k)}(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} d_n^{(k)} x^n = \prod_{r=1}^{\infty} (1-x^r)^{-\delta_r^{(k)}-4}. \quad (38)$$

In Ref. 4 it has been shown that

$$\ln P^{(1)}(x) \sim b_1 \zeta(3) (1-x)^{-2} \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow 1-. \quad (39)$$

By a straightforward generalization of this method, it

⁸ One linear relation between the $L_{1\alpha}^{(n)}(x)$ implies a denumerable infinity of simultaneous equations to be satisfied by $\delta_n^{(k)}(1)$ coefficients. For general $e_{l_0 \dots l_{k-1}}$ these equations will not all be satisfied.

⁹ We have omitted the small effect of the term $(1-x)^{\alpha(0)-1}$ in the propagator [Eq. (10)].

can be shown that

$$\ln P^{(k)}(x) \sim b_k \Gamma(2k) \zeta(2k+1) (1-x)^{-2k} \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow 1-. \quad (40)$$

We can evaluate the asymptotic form $d_n^{(k)}$ by applying the saddle-point method to

$$d_n^{(k)} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_C \frac{P^{(k)}(z)}{z^{n+1}}, \quad (41)$$

where the contour C enclosing the origin lies within $|z| < 1$. This gives

$$d_n^{(k)} \sim \exp \left[\left(\frac{2k+1}{2k} \right) \times [b_k \Gamma(2k) \zeta(2k+1)]^{1/(2k+1)} n^{2k/(2k+1)} \right]. \quad (42)$$

This is the result quoted in Eq. (1).

We conclude with a brief discussion of the single loop constructed from the N -point function with satellites.

First we consider the single planar loop which has been taken to give some guide to the magnitude of the unitarity corrections to the N -point function.

Because the trace factors into the usual trace (in the absence of satellites) and a momentum-independent term that depends on the satellite coefficients, the planar loop (Fig. 3) has the form

$$L_N(p_i) = \int \left(\prod_i dx_i \right) L_N(x_i, p_i) \Gamma_N(x_i), \quad (43)$$

where $\Gamma_N(x_i) = 1$ corresponds to the absence of satellites. Near $w = x_1 x_2 \dots x_N = 1$,^{10,11}

$$L_N(x_i, p_i) \sim P^{(0)}(w) = \prod_{r=1}^{\infty} (1-w^r)^{-4}$$

and

$$\Gamma_N(x_i) \sim P^{(k)}(w). \quad (44)$$

To examine this essential singularity, it is convenient to make the change of variables¹¹

$$q = \exp(2\pi^2 / \ln w). \quad (45)$$

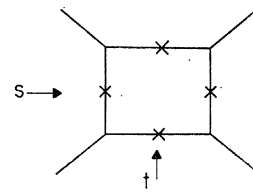


FIG. 4. An orientable nonplanar four-particle loop.

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¹¹ D. J. Gross, A. Neveu, J. Scherk, and J. H. Schwartz, Phys. Rev. D 2, 697 (1970).

Near $q=0$,

$$\begin{aligned} P^{(0)} &\sim q^{-1/3}, \\ P^{(k)} &\sim \exp[C_k \ln^2 q]. \end{aligned} \quad (46)$$

In the absence of satellites it is possible to construct a dual counterterm¹² because of the power behavior of $P^{(0)}$. For $k \geq 1$ the singularity of $P^{(k)}$ dominates that of $P^{(0)}$.

Although we are unable to show that counterterms do not exist, we consider their existence to be highly unlikely.

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Finally, we consider the single nonplanar orientable loop of Fig. 4, which gives the unrenormalized two-Reggeon cuts and may give some indication of the nature of the Pomeranchuk singularity.¹³ In the absence of satellites the loop converges for $u < -\frac{4}{3}$ because of the power behavior of $P^{(0)}$. With satellites the singularity of $P^{(k)}$ [Eq. (46)] would cause the loop to diverge for all values of u . As a corollary, the $s^{1/3}$ behavior^{11,12} associated with the branchpoints will be destroyed.

In summary, if the one-loop diagrams have any meaning at all, it is only within the restricted context of the N -point function without satellites. Increasing the level degeneracy as in Eq. (1) by including satellites seems to remove any chance of renormalization (in the planar loop) or convergence (in the nonplanar loop).

Generalizations of the Dirac Representation

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Representation spaces of the relativistic symmetry are investigated, which are "infinite-dimensional" generalizations of the space of solutions of the Dirac equation. The representations are extended by the discrete operators C , P , and T . Application of these representations to the description of baryons and mesons is discussed.

I. INTRODUCTION

JUDGING from the experience of the past few years, it appears that Dirac's γ 's are only some special cases of more general quantities with physical significance. As is well known, the usual γ_μ and $\sigma_{\mu\nu}$ are an irreducible matrix representation of the generators of $SO(3,2)_{\Gamma_\mu, S_{\mu\nu}}$,¹ and the space of solutions of the Dirac equation is an irreducible representation space of the relativistic symmetry² $\mathfrak{S} = \mathcal{O}_{P_\mu, L_{\mu\nu}} \vdash SO(3,2)_{S_{\mu\nu}, \Gamma_\mu}$,^{1,3} where $\vdash$ denotes semidirect sum. In the connection with infinite multiplets the applicability of several unitary representations of $SO(3,2)$ or $\mathfrak{S}$ has been investigated, e.g., the four Majorana representations⁴ or the oscillatorlike representations of $SO(4,2)$,^{5,6} which are in fact singleton representations⁷ of $SO(3,2)$.⁸

¹ The subscripts X_i on the symbol for the group G_{X_i} indicate that X_i are the generators of G . This notation is necessary to allow us to distinguish between mathematically isomorphic groups, which have different physical observables.

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⁵ Y. Nambu, in *Proceedings of the 1967 International Conference on Particles and Fields* (Interscience, New York, 1968), and references therein.

⁶ A. O. Barut, in *Lectures in Theoretical Physics* (Gordon and Breach, New York, 1968), Vol. 10B, p. 377, and references therein.

The Dirac representation of $\mathfrak{S}$ has a great advantage as compared to these representations: It is not only an irreducible representation of $\mathfrak{S}$, but it is also an irreducible representation of the full quantum-mechanical Poincaré group, including charge conjugation, and also an irreducible representation of $\mathfrak{S}$ extended by the discrete operations, space inversion U_P , time inversion A_T , and charge conjugation U_C . In analogy to the notation for the Poincaré group, we want to call $\mathfrak{S}$ extended by U_P , A_T , and U_C the full relativistic symmetry $\mathfrak{S}^F$. The infinite-dimensional irreducible representations of $\mathfrak{S}$ considered so far are not irreducible representations of $\mathfrak{S}^F$; the discrete operations will transform out of an irreducible representation space. Thus the following question arises: Are there infinite-dimensional generalizations of the Dirac representation, i.e., are there infinite-dimensional representations of the full relativistic symmetry that remain irreducible when restricted to $\mathfrak{S}$? The answer to this question will be the subject of the present paper. It will turn out that there are two classes of infinite-

⁷ J. B. Ehrman, (a) Proc. Cambridge Phil. Soc. **53**, 290 (1957); (b) thesis, Princeton University, 1954 (unpublished).

⁸ These are the singleton representations with the multiplicity pattern given in Figs. 7-5 and 7-14 of Ref. 7(b). For $j_{\min}=0$ the $SO(4,2)$ irreducible representation reduces to a sum of two inequivalent irreducible representations of $SO(3,2)$ with $n_{\min}=1$ and $n_{\min}=2$.