

Sol. 3 $SU(N)$ gauge theory for $N \geq 2$, as given on p. 9-11 of the lecture notes.

(a) Let's try a QED-style charge scaling: $\varphi^a(x) \rightarrow Q \varphi^a(x)$, $g \rightarrow Qg$.

Demanding that w_μ^a transforms in the same way as before charge scaling, i.e. $w_\mu^a \rightarrow w_\mu^a - \frac{1}{g} \partial_\mu \varphi^a - f^{abc} \varphi^b w_\mu^c$, forces us to also scale $f^{abc} \rightarrow \frac{1}{Q} f^{abc}$.

However, in view of $[T^a, T^b] = i f^{abc} T^c$, this corresponds to performing the scaling $T^a \rightarrow \frac{1}{Q} T^a$. The net effect of all these scalings is that the gauge and Yang-Higgs interactions remain unchanged, as gT^a and gf^{abc} are invariant under the scaling. So, we conclude that the interaction strength of a non-Abelian gauge theory is fixed!

(b) Next we consider the subset of global $SU(N)$ transformations and try to find the corresponding $N^2 - 1$ Noether currents (belonging to T^a).

Infinitesimal $SU(N)$ transformations of the various fields:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_j(x) &\rightarrow \psi_j(x) + \varphi^a \underbrace{[i(T^a)_{jk} \psi_k]}_{\equiv \Delta^a \psi_j}, \quad \bar{\psi}_j(x) \rightarrow \bar{\psi}_j(x) + \varphi^a \underbrace{[-i\bar{\psi}_k (T^a)_{kj}]}_{\equiv \Delta^a \bar{\psi}_j}, \\ w_\mu^b(x) &\rightarrow w_\mu^b(x) - \frac{1}{g} \partial_\mu \varphi^b + \varphi^a \underbrace{[-f^{bac} w_\mu^c]}_{\equiv \Delta^a w_\mu^b}. \end{aligned}$$

$\equiv 0$ (global transf.)

The corresponding Noether currents are (for each independent φ^a):

$$\begin{aligned} j_{(x)}^{a,\mu} &\stackrel{G^{a,\mu}=0}{=} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial(\partial_\mu \psi_j)} \Delta^a \psi_j + \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial(\partial_\mu \bar{\psi}_j)} \Delta^a \bar{\psi}_j + \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial(\partial_\mu w_\nu^b)} \Delta^a w_\nu^b \\ &= -\bar{\psi}_j \gamma^\mu (T^a)_{jk} \psi_k - w^{b,\mu\nu} f^{abc} w_\nu^c = \underbrace{-\bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu T^a \psi}_{-j_{(x)}^{a,\mu}} - \underbrace{w^{b,\mu\nu} f^{abc} w_\nu^c}_{\text{extra gauge-boson terms}}. \end{aligned}$$

The combination $g w_\mu^a(x) j_{(x)}^{a,\mu}$ then reads: $g w_\mu^a(x) j_{(x)}^{a,\mu} =$

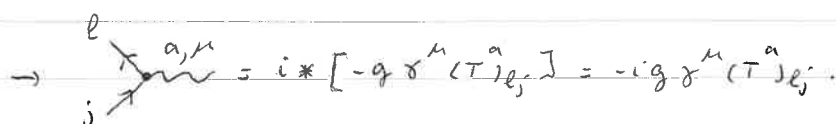
$$\begin{aligned} &= \underbrace{g j_{(x)}^{a,\mu} w_\mu^a}_{\text{gauge int.}} + \underbrace{g f^{abc} (\partial^\mu w_\mu^b - \partial^\mu w_\mu^c) w_\mu^a}_{2* \text{ triple gauge-boson int.}} + \underbrace{g^2 f^{abc} f^{bde} w_\mu^a w_\mu^c w^{d,\mu} w^{e,\mu}}_{4* \text{ quartic gauge-boson int.}}. \end{aligned}$$

also present in QED case

NOT present in QED case

Sol. 4 Feynman rules for the three $SU(N)$ interaction vertices.

Gauge interaction: $-g \bar{\psi}_e(x) \gamma^\mu (T^a)_{ej} \psi_j(x) w_\mu^a(x) = \mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}^{(1)} = -\mathcal{H}_{\text{int}}^{(1)}$

$\rightarrow$ 

Triple gauge-boson interaction: $g [\partial^\nu w_\mu^a(x)] w_\nu^b(x) w_\rho^c(x) f^{abc} g^{\rho\mu} = d_{int}^{(2)}$
 $\rightarrow i * (-\text{incoming momentum})^\nu$ from $\hat{a}$ -term

$\rightarrow$ $= i * [-ik^\nu g^{\rho\mu} g f^{abc} + \text{all other permutations of } (a, \mu, k), (b, \nu, p) \text{ and } (c, \rho, q)]$
 $= -g f^{abc} [g^{\mu\nu}(k-p)^\rho + g^{\nu\rho}(p-q)^\mu + g^{\rho\mu}(q-k)^\nu],$

where we have used that f^{abc} is totally antisymmetric to determine the sign of all six different permutations.

Quartic gauge-boson interaction: $-\frac{g^2}{4} f^{abe} f^{cde} w_\mu^a(x) w_\nu^b(x) w_\rho^c(x) w_\sigma^d(x) g^{\mu\rho} g^{\nu\sigma} = d_{int}^{(3)}$

$\rightarrow$ $= -\frac{ig^2}{4} [f^{abe} f^{cde} g^{\mu\rho} g^{\nu\sigma} + \text{all other permutations of } (a, \mu), (b, \nu), (c, \rho) \text{ and } (d, \sigma)]$
 $= -ig^2 [f^{abe} f^{cde} (g^{\mu\rho} g^{\nu\sigma} - g^{\mu\sigma} g^{\nu\rho}) + f^{ace} f^{bde} (g^{\mu\nu} g^{\rho\sigma} - g^{\mu\sigma} g^{\nu\rho}) + f^{ade} f^{bce} (g^{\mu\nu} g^{\rho\sigma} - g^{\mu\rho} g^{\nu\sigma})],$

since all terms receive four contributions (e.g. $1 \leftrightarrow 2, 3 \leftrightarrow 4$ and $1 \leftrightarrow 3, 2 \leftrightarrow 4$ and $1 \leftrightarrow 4, 2 \leftrightarrow 3$ yield the same $f^{abe} f^{cde} g^{\mu\rho} g^{\nu\sigma}$ contribution).

QFT-style way to determine Feynman rules in coordinate space:

consider for instance the fully connected contributions to the Green's function $\langle 0 | T(\hat{w}_{I\mu}^a(x_1) \hat{w}_{I\nu}^b(x_2) \hat{w}_{I\rho}^c(x_3) [ig f^{a_1 a_2 a_3} g^{\rho_3 \rho_1} \int d^4 z (\partial^2 \hat{w}_{I\rho_1}^{a_1}(z)) \hat{w}_{I\rho_2}^{a_2}(z) \hat{w}_{I\rho_3}^{a_3}(z)] | 0 \rangle$

in order to obtain the TGC Feynman rule

From the 1st-order $i \int d^4 z \hat{d}_{int}^{(2)}$ part of $\hat{U}(\infty, -\infty)$

$\Rightarrow ig f^{a_1 a_2 a_3} g^{\rho_3 \rho_1} \int d^4 z \langle 0 | \hat{w}_{I\mu}^{a_1}(x_1) \hat{w}_{I\nu}^{a_2}(x_2) \hat{w}_{I\rho}^{a_3}(x_3) (\partial^2 \hat{w}_{I\rho_1}^{a_1}(z)) \hat{w}_{I\rho_2}^{a_2}(z) \hat{w}_{I\rho_3}^{a_3}(z) | 0 \rangle$

+ five other permutations contracting the first three fields with the other three fields from the interaction term, in order to obtain all fully connected contributions

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the translation to the momentum-space Feynman rules is given above