

A two - gauge - field induced CP^n - model

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Abstract The duplication of gauge potentials in association with a single local **symmetry** group may trigger the generation of a CP^n - model whenever $(n + 1)$ complex **scalars** are **coupled** in a suitable way to the pair of gauge potentials.

The possibility of extending the gauge **principle**, through the introduction of a family of gauge potentials in association with a single simple and compact gauge group, has been considered and **discussed** under **several** points of view. Dynamical considerations lead to the **conclusion** that the different potentials **actually** describe independent physical degrees of freedom **and** a number of quantum features of this sort of extended models are being investigated¹.

In the case one contemplates the inclusion of more potential **fields** transforming under a common simple gauge group according to

$$A_\mu \longrightarrow U A_\mu U^{-1} + i/gU(\partial U^{-1}) \quad (1a)$$

$$B_\mu \longrightarrow U B_\mu U^{-1} + i/gU(\partial U^{-1}) \quad (1b)$$

$$F_\mu \longrightarrow U F_\mu U^{-1} + i/gU(\partial U^{-1}) , \quad (1c)$$

the Kaluza-Klein approach, relying basically on the mechanism of spontaneous compactification allows one to trace the origin of the potentials A_μ , B_μ , and F_μ back to the vielbein, spin-connection and Yang-Mills field of a higher-dimensional gravity-matter coupled theory spontaneously compactified on an **internal** space with torsion².

The appearance of more than one gauge potential within a common simple group would also be a natural fact in super-Yang-Mills theories if one did not have to face the fact of eliminating from the theory an undesirable spin-3/2 field (not the gravitino). In a superspace formulation, this problem becomes very clear. In gauge covariantising the space-time and supersymmetric covariant derivatives, different connection superfields are introduced, which then accommodate independent gauge potentials amongst their physical components. However, since higher-spin fields also appear, they have to be eliminated by suitable constraints on the field-strength superfields. In so doing, it happens, as a side effect, that the different vector potentials are related to one another and do not carry independent degrees of freedom. But, it appears that, by softly breaking supersymmetry, it is possible to relax the conventional superspace constraints and eliminate the higher spins without necessarily relating the different gauge potentials³.

In this letter, it is our main effort to present another possible formal motivation (and maybe advantage) for considering the study of the extended models we have discussed so far; it is in connection with the well-known bosonic CP^n -non-linear σ -model^{4,5}. For that, let us consider a $U(1)$ -gauge group to which one associates two gauge potentials transforming according to

$$A_\mu(x) \longrightarrow A_\mu(x) + \partial_\mu \alpha(x) \quad (2a)$$

$$B_\mu(x) \longrightarrow B_\mu(x) + \partial_\mu \alpha(x) \quad (2b)$$

Assume also the existence of $(n+1)$ complex fields, $\varphi_i(x)$, all possessing the value $q = 1$ for the $U(1)$ -charge:

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$$\varphi_i(z) \longrightarrow \varphi_i(x) = e^{iq\alpha(x)} \varphi_i(x) , \quad (3)$$

and fulfilling the constraint

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n+1} \varphi_i^*(x) \varphi_i(x) = 1 , \quad (4)$$

which defines the well-known projective complex manifold CP^n . In other words: in considering a CP^n non-linear σ -model, the complex unit vector $(\varphi_1(x); \dots; \varphi_{n+1}(x))$ denotes one of the unit length representatives of the equivalence classes of vectors parametrising the projective space CP^n .

A possible gauge invariant Lagrangian for gauge potential fields A , and B , and the $(n+1)$ scalars $\varphi_i(z)$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & [D_\mu(A)\varphi_i^*] [D^\mu(A)\varphi_i] + [D_\mu(B)\varphi_i^*] [D^\mu(B)\varphi_i] \\ & - 1/4 A_{\mu\nu} A^{\mu\nu} + 1/2 m^2 (A_\mu - B_\mu)^2 , \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

where

$$D_\mu(A)\varphi_i = \partial_\mu \varphi_i + igq A_\mu \varphi_i \quad (6a)$$

$$D_\mu(B)\varphi_i = \partial_\mu \varphi_i + igq B_\mu \varphi_i \quad (6b)$$

and

$$A_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu \quad (6c)$$

Notice that the potential field B , (x) is not a dynamical degree of freedom: it works as an auxiliary field to give the dynamical potential A , (z) a gauge-invariant **mass** m . This can indeed be readily confirmed by a glance at the momentum-space propagator for the latter:

$$\langle T(A_\mu(-k)A_\nu(k)) \rangle = \frac{-i}{k^2 + m^2} \left(\eta_{\mu\nu} - \frac{k_\mu k_\nu}{k^2} \right) + \frac{i\alpha}{k^2 - \alpha m^2} \frac{k_\mu k_\nu}{k^2} , \quad (7)$$

where the **gauge-fixing** term $1/(2)(\partial_\mu A^\mu)^2$ has been adjoined to the Lagrangian (5). The fact that the dynamical **spin-1** component of A , carries a tachyonic mass does not cause problems in our case, since, as will be shown, the field A , (x) is not to be interpreted as elementary, but rather as a composite field.

Since the gauge potential $B_\mu(x)$ appears only algebraically in (5), it is reasonable to eliminate it in favour of its classical equation of motion and analyse the effective theory for A , and the scalars φ_i . The B_μ -field equation is

$$m^2 A_\mu + (2g^2 q^2 \varphi_i^* \varphi_i - m^2) B_\mu - igq(\varphi^* \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_\mu \varphi_i) = 0 \quad (8)$$

From the constraint on the scalars, the bilinear term B , drops out from (8) and one gets

$$A_\mu = i \frac{gq}{m^2} (\varphi_i^* \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_\mu \varphi_i), \quad (9)$$

that is, the classical dynamical fixes A , as a composite Abelian gauge field.

Since the inclusion of more than one potential field enlarges the possibilities of writing down gauge-invariant terms, let us contemplate the case where both potentials appear as background-gauge fields whereas the scalars propagate with a dynamics fixed through the Lagrangian

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & [D_\mu(A)\varphi_i^*] [D^\mu(A)\varphi_i] + [D_\mu(B)\varphi_i^*] [D^\mu(B)\varphi_i] \\ & + [D_\mu(A)\varphi_i^*] [D^\mu(B)\varphi_i] - 1/2m^2 (A_\mu - B_\mu)^2 \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Now, both A , and B_μ can be eliminated through their respective classical equations of motion which are:

$$-igq\varphi_i^* \partial_\mu \varphi_i - igq\varphi_i^* \partial_\mu \varphi_i + g^2 q^2 \varphi_i^* (2A_\mu + B_\mu) - m^2 (A_\mu - B_\mu) = 0 \quad (11a)$$

and

$$-igq\varphi_i^* \partial_\mu \varphi_i + igq\varphi_i^* (\partial_\mu \varphi_i^*) \varphi_i + g^2 q^2 \varphi_i^* \varphi_i (A_\mu + 2B_\mu) + m^2 (A_\mu - B_\mu) = 0 \quad (11b)$$

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Subtracting now these two equations of motion yields

$$-igq\partial_\mu(\varphi_i^*\varphi_i) + g^2q^2\varphi_i^*\varphi_i(A_\mu - B_\mu) - 2m^2(A_\mu - B_\mu) = 0 \quad (12)$$

which gives

$$\partial_\mu(\varphi_i^*\varphi_i) = 0, \quad (13a)$$

and

$$(g^2q^2\varphi_i^*\varphi_i - 2m^2)(A_\mu - B_\mu) = 0 \quad (13b)$$

So, a solution which satisfies both equations is

$$\varphi_i^*\varphi_i = \frac{2m^2}{g^2q^2} \quad (14)$$

and this is nothing but the constraint defining a CPⁿ-non-linear model, up to a simple normalization of the fields.

The remarkable fact now is that the constraint on the propagating scalars is determined through the dynamics of the classical potentials A_μ , and B_μ and need not be introduced by hand. It would be interesting however to have a **clear geometrical** understanding of how the gauge background, which dominates the **space-time** through the configurations of the gauge potentials, dictates the non-linear constraint on the propagating scalars. This shall be matter of further investigations. For the moment, we would only like to stress the **marriage** between gauge theories and non-linear σ -models in **the** same number of space-time dimensions. **Usually**, the association exists between two dimensional non-linear σ -models **and** four dimensional Yang-Mills theories. In our case, **by duplicating** the number of gauge potentials in a given group, we do not need to go to $D = 4$: the association already appears in $D = 2$.

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Resumo

A duplicação de potenciais de gauge em associação a um único grupo de simetria local pode induzir a geração de um *modelo-CPⁿ* no caso em que $(n+1)$ escalares complexos estejam acoplados, de modo conveniente, ao par de potenciais *vetoriais*.