

# Low energy QCD in terms of gauge invariant dynamical variables<sup>1</sup>

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- Gribov ambiguity (1978) → Attempt of an exact resolution of the non-Abelian Gauss-laws to have an QCD Hamiltonian at low energy (a.o. Jackiw+Goldstone, Faddeev, T.D.Lee, t'Hooft)
- Unconstrained Hamiltonian of 2-color QCD
- Derivative expansion
- Spectrum: fermions, Lorentz-inv and renormalisation in the IR
- Extension to SU(3) → Gribov-copies and horizons

Aim: Alternative nonperturbative formulation of QCD

## The QCD action

$$\mathcal{S}[A, \psi, \bar{\psi}] := \int d^4x \left[ -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{a\mu\nu} + \bar{\psi} (i\gamma^\mu D_\mu - m) \psi \right]$$

$$F_{\mu\nu}^a := \partial_\mu A_\nu^a - \partial_\nu A_\mu^a + g f_{abc} A_\mu^b A_\nu^c, \quad a = 1, \dots, 8$$

$$D_\mu := \partial_\mu - ig A_\mu^a \tau_a / 2$$

is invariant under the  $SU(3)$  gauge transformations  $U[\omega(x)] \equiv \exp(i\omega_a \tau_a / 2)$

$$\begin{aligned} \psi^\omega(x) &= U[\omega(x)] \psi(x) \\ A_{a\mu}^\omega(x) \tau_a / 2 &= U[\omega(x)] \left( A_{a\mu}(x) \tau_a / 2 + \frac{i}{g} \partial_\mu \right) U^{-1}[\omega(x)] \end{aligned}$$

chromoelectric :  $E_i^a \equiv F_{i0}^a$  and chromomagnetic  $B_i^a \equiv \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{ijk} F_{jk}^a$

$\Pi_{ai} = -E_{ai}$  momenta can. conj. to the spatial  $A_{ai} \rightarrow$  canonical Hamiltonian

$$\begin{aligned} H_C &= \int d^3x \left[ \frac{1}{2} E_{ai}^2 + \frac{1}{2} B_{ai}^2(A) - g A_{ai} j_{ia}(\psi) + \bar{\psi} (\gamma_i \partial_i + m) \psi \right. \\ &\quad \left. - g A_{a0} (\mathcal{D}_i(A)_{ab} E_{bi} - \rho_a(\psi)) \right] \end{aligned}$$

with the covariant derivative  $D_i(A)_{ab} \equiv \delta_{ab} \partial_i - g f_{abc} A_{ci}$

Exploit the time dependence of the gauge transformations to put

$$A_{a0} = 0 , \quad a = 1, \dots, 8 \quad (\text{Weyl gauge})$$

The dynamical variables  $A_{ai}$ ,  $-E_{ai}$ ,  $\psi_{\alpha r}$  and  $\psi_{\alpha r}^*$  are quantized in the Schrödinger functional approach imposing the equal-time (anti-)CR, e.g.  $-E_{ai} = -i\partial/\partial A_{ai}$ . The physical states  $\Phi$  satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} H\Phi &= \int d^3x \left[ \frac{1}{2} E_{ai}^2 + \frac{1}{2} B_{ai}^2[A] - A_{ai} j_{ia}(\psi) + \bar{\psi} (\gamma_i \partial_i + m) \psi \right] \Phi = E\Phi , \\ G_a(x)\Phi &= [D_i(A)_{ab} E_{bi} - \rho_a(\psi)] \Phi = 0 , \quad a = 1, \dots, 8 . \end{aligned}$$

The Gauss law operators  $G_a$  are the generators of the residual time independent gauge transformations, satisfying  $[G_a, H] = 0$  and  $[G_a, G_b] = if_{abc}G_c$ .

Angular momentum operators  $[J_i, H] = 0$

$$J_i = \int d^3x [-\epsilon_{ijk} A_{aj} E_{ak} + \Sigma_i(\psi) + \text{orbital parts}] , \quad i = 1, 2, 3 ,$$

The matrix element of an operator  $O$  is given in the Cartesian form

$$\langle \Phi' | O | \Phi \rangle \propto \int dA d\bar{\psi} d\psi \Phi'^*(A, \bar{\psi}, \psi) O \Phi(A, \bar{\psi}, \psi) .$$

For  $SU(3)$  Yang-Mills QM of spat.const.gluon fields: P. Weisz and V. Ziemann (1986)

# Unconstrained Hamiltonian formulation of 2-color QCD

Point trafo to new set of adapted coordinates,

$A_{ai}, \psi_\alpha \rightarrow$  3 gauge angles  $q_j$ , the pos. definite symmetric  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $S$ , and new  $\psi'_\beta$

$$A_{ai}(q, S) = O_{ak}(q) S_{ki} - \frac{1}{2g} \epsilon_{abc} \left( O(q) \partial_i O^T(q) \right)_{bc}, \quad \psi_\alpha(q, \psi') = U_{\alpha\beta}(q) \psi'_\beta$$

orthog.  $O(q)$  and unitary  $U(q)$  related via  $O_{ab}(q) = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} (U^{-1}(q) \tau_a U(q) \tau_b)$ .

Generalisation of the polar decomposition of  $A$  and corresponds to (A. Khvedelidze and H.-P. P. 1999)

$$\chi_i(A) = \epsilon_{ijk} A_{jk} = 0 \quad (\text{"symmetric gauge"}).$$

Preserving the CCR  $\rightarrow$  old canonical momenta in terms of the new variables

$$\begin{aligned} -E_{ai}(q, S, p, P) &= O_{ak}(q) \left[ P_{ki} + \epsilon_{kil} {}^* D_{ls}^{-1}(S) \left( \Omega_{sj}^{-1}(q) p_j + \rho_s(\psi') + D_n(S)_{sm} P_{mn} \right) \right] \\ \Rightarrow G_a \Phi &\equiv O_{ak}(q) \Omega_{ki}^{-1}(q) p_i \Phi = 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{\delta}{\delta q_i} \Phi = 0 \quad (\text{Abelianisation}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Ang. mom. op. } J_i = \int d^3x \left[ -2\epsilon_{ijk} S_{mj} P_{mk} + \Sigma_i(\psi') + \rho_i(\psi') + \text{orbital parts} \right]$$

$\rightarrow$   $S$  colorless spin 0,2 glueball field,  $\psi'$  colorless reduced quark fields of spin 0,1  
 Reduction: Color  $\rightarrow$  Spin (unusual spin-statistics relation specific to SU(2) !)

The correctly ordered physical quantum Hamiltonian (Christ and Lee 1980) in terms of the physical variables  $S_{ik}(\mathbf{x})$  and the can. conj.  $P_{ik}(\mathbf{x}) \equiv -i\delta/\delta S_{ik}(\mathbf{x})$  reads

$$\begin{aligned} H(S, P) = & \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{J}^{-1} \int d^3\mathbf{x} P_{ai} \mathcal{J} P_{ai} + \frac{1}{2} \int d^3\mathbf{x} \left[ B_{ai}^2(S) - S_{ai} j_{ia}(\psi') + \bar{\psi}' (\gamma_i \partial_i + m) \psi' \right] \\ & - \mathcal{J}^{-1} \int d^3\mathbf{x} \int d^3\mathbf{y} \left\{ \left( D_i(S)_{ma} P_{im} + \rho_a(\psi') \right)(\mathbf{x}) \mathcal{J} \right. \\ & \left. \langle \mathbf{x} a | {}^*D^{-2}(S) | \mathbf{y} b \rangle \left( D_j(S)_{bn} P_{nj} + \rho_b(\psi') \right)(\mathbf{y}) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

with the FP operator

$${}^*D_{kl}(S) \equiv \epsilon_{kmi} D_i(S)_{ml} = \epsilon_{kli} \partial_i - g(S_{kl} - \delta_{kl} \text{tr} S)$$

and the Jacobian  $\mathcal{J} \equiv \det |{}^*D|$

The matrix element of a physical operator  $O$  is given by

$$\langle \Psi' | O | \Psi \rangle \propto \int_{S \text{ pos.def.}} \int_{\bar{\psi}', \psi'} \prod_{\mathbf{x}} \left[ dS(\mathbf{x}) d\bar{\psi}'(\mathbf{x}) d\psi'(\mathbf{x}) \right] \mathcal{J} \Psi'^* [S, \bar{\psi}', \psi'] O \Psi [S, \bar{\psi}', \psi']$$

The inverse of the FP operator and hence the physical Hamiltonian can be expanded in the number of spatial derivatives  $\equiv$  expansion in  $\lambda = g^{-2/3}$

Introduce UV cutoff  $a$ : infinite spatial lattice of granulas  $G(\mathbf{n}, a)$  at  $\mathbf{x} = a\mathbf{n}$  ( $\mathbf{n} \in \mathbb{Z}^3$ ) and averaged variables

$$S(\mathbf{n}) := \frac{1}{a^3} \int_{G(\mathbf{n}, a)} d\mathbf{x} S(\mathbf{x})$$

and the discretised spatial derivatives.

Expansion of the Hamiltonian in  $\lambda = g^{-2/3}$

$$H = \frac{g^{2/3}}{a} \left[ \mathcal{H}_0 + \lambda \sum_{\alpha} \mathcal{V}_{\alpha}^{(\partial)} + \lambda^2 \left( \sum_{\beta} \mathcal{V}_{\beta}^{(\Delta)} + \sum_{\gamma} \mathcal{V}_{\gamma}^{(\partial\partial \neq \Delta)} \right) + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^3) \right]$$

The "free" Hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{H}_0 = \sum_{\mathbf{n}} \mathcal{H}_0^{QM}(\mathbf{n})$$

is the sum of the Hamiltonians of  $SU(2)$ -Yang-Mills quantum mechanics of constant fields in each box (which include the local gluon-gluon interactions !).

The interaction terms

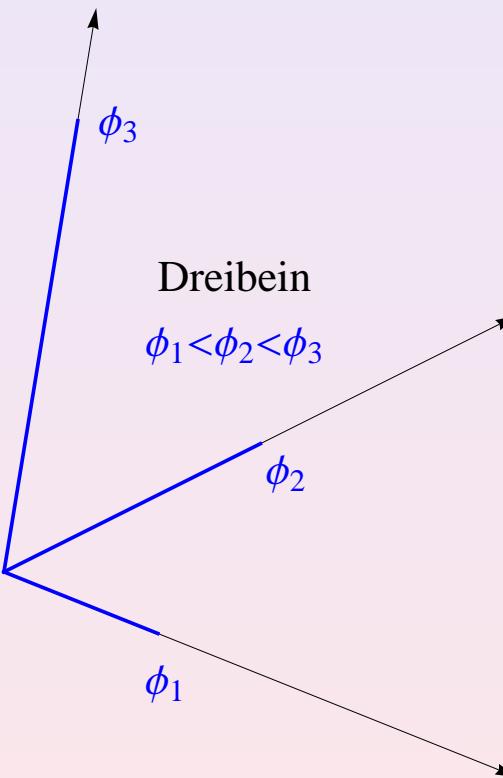
$$\mathcal{V}^{(\partial)}, \mathcal{V}^{(\Delta)}, \dots$$

lead to interactions between the granulas (non-local terms).

# Intrinsic System of symmetric tensor $S$

Intrinsic system:  $S = R^T(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \phi_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \phi_3 \end{pmatrix} R(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$

Jacobian:  $\sin(\beta) (\phi_3 - \phi_1)(\phi_3 - \phi_2)(\phi_2 - \phi_1)$



→ local part of magn.pot.  $B^2 = \phi_2^2 \phi_3^2 + \phi_3^2 \phi_1^2 + \phi_1^2 \phi_2^2$

$B^2 = 0$ : "  $\phi_1 = \phi_2 = 0$ ,  $\phi_3$  arbitrary" (0-valleys)

# Derivative Expansion (1): Zeroth order Hamiltonian

Zeroth order Hamiltonian

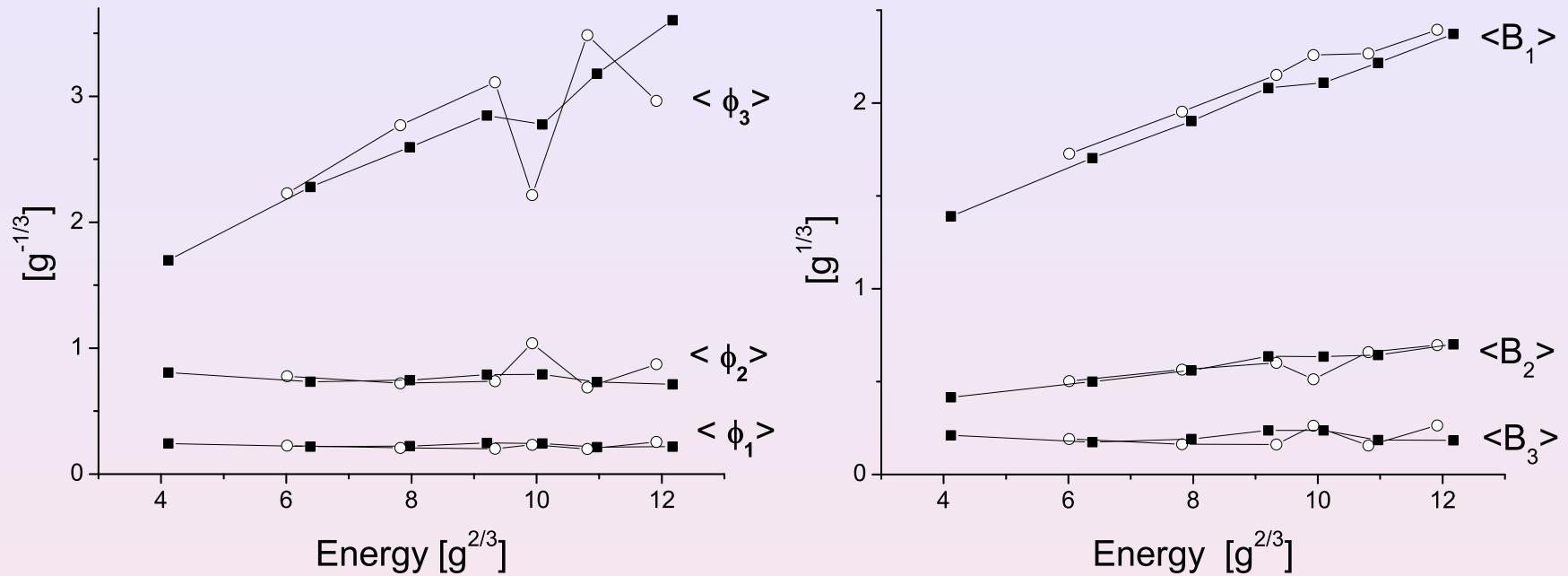
$$\begin{aligned}
 H &= \frac{g^{2/3}}{V^{1/3}} \left[ \mathcal{H}^G + \mathcal{H}^D + \mathcal{H}^C \right] + \frac{1}{2} m \left[ \left( \tilde{u}_L^{(0)\dagger} \tilde{v}_R^{(0)} + \sum_{i=1}^3 \tilde{u}_L^{(i)\dagger} \tilde{v}_R^{(i)} \right) + h.c. \right] \\
 \mathcal{H}^G &:= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ijk}^{\text{cyclic}} \left( -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \phi_i^2} - \frac{2}{\phi_i^2 - \phi_j^2} \left( \phi_i \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi_i} - \phi_j \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi_j} \right) + (\xi_i - \tilde{J}_i^Q)^2 \frac{\phi_j^2 + \phi_k^2}{(\phi_j^2 - \phi_k^2)^2} + \phi_j^2 \phi_k^2 \right), \\
 \mathcal{H}^D &:= \frac{1}{2} (\phi_1 + \phi_2 + \phi_3) \left( \tilde{N}_L^{(0)} - \tilde{N}_R^{(0)} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ijk}^{\text{cyclic}} (\phi_i - (\phi_j + \phi_k)) \left( \tilde{N}_L^{(i)} - \tilde{N}_R^{(i)} \right), \\
 \mathcal{H}^C &:= \sum_{ijk}^{\text{cyclic}} \frac{\tilde{\rho}_i (\xi_i - \tilde{J}_i^Q + \tilde{\rho}_i)}{(\phi_j + \phi_k)^2},
 \end{aligned}$$

and the total spin  $J_i = R_{ij}(\chi) \xi_j$ ,  $[J_i, H] = 0$

in terms of the intrinsic spin  $\xi_i$  satisfying  $[J_i, \xi_j] = 0$  and  $[\xi_i, \xi_j] = -i\epsilon_{ijk}\xi_k$

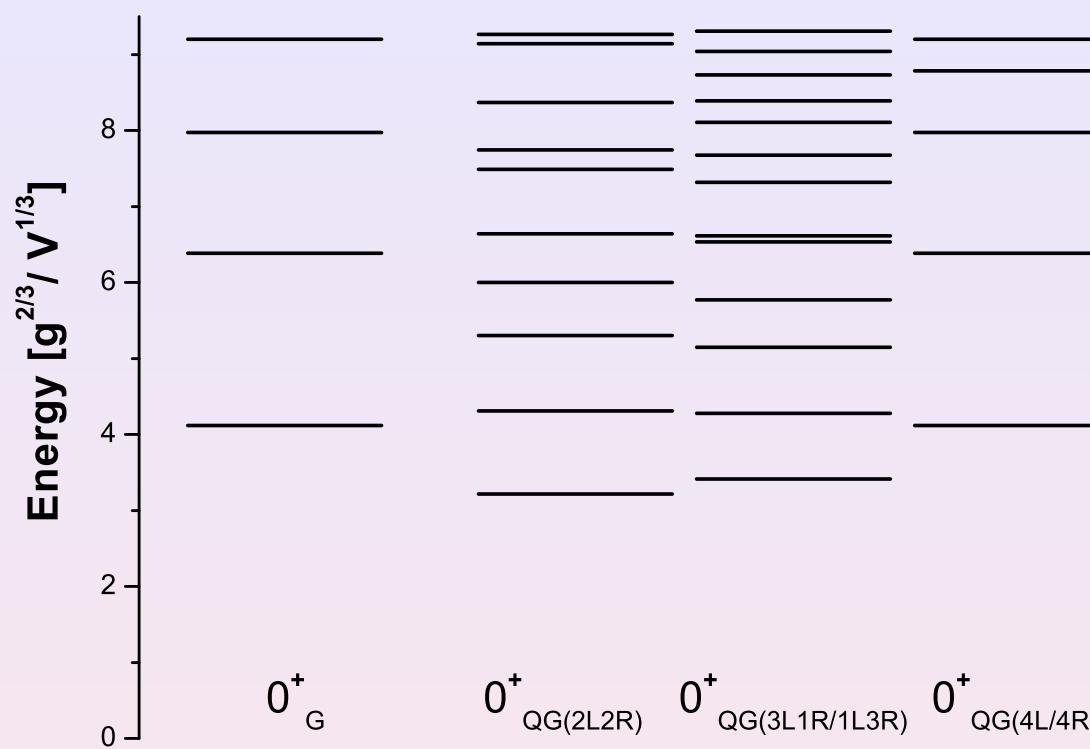
The matrix elements become

$$\langle \Phi_1 | \mathcal{O} | \Phi_2 \rangle = \int d\alpha \sin \beta d\beta d\gamma \int_{0 < \phi_1 < \phi_2 < \phi_3} d\phi_1 d\phi_2 d\phi_3 (\phi_1^2 - \phi_2^2)(\phi_2^2 - \phi_3^2)(\phi_3^2 - \phi_1^2) \int d\bar{\psi}' d\psi' \Phi_1^* \mathcal{O} \Phi_2.$$



$\langle \phi_3 \rangle$  is raising with increasing excitation, whereas  $\langle \phi_1 \rangle$  and  $\langle \phi_2 \rangle$  are practically constant.  $\langle B_3 \rangle$  is practically constant with increasing excitation, whereas  $\langle B_1 \rangle$  and  $\langle B_2 \rangle$  are raising.

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The energy of the [quark-gluon groundstate](#)  $3.22$  ( $5.63, -2.43, 0.02$ ) is lower than that of the [pure-glueball groundstate](#)  $4.11$

The energy for the [sigma-antisigma excitation](#) is lower than that for the lowest [glueball excitation](#) (about one fifth)

1st and 2nd order pert. theory in  $\lambda = g^{-2/3}$  give the result (for the (+) b.c.)

$$E_{\text{vac}}^+ = \mathcal{N} \left[ 4.1167 + 29.894\lambda^2 + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^3) \right] \frac{g^{2/3}}{a}$$

for the energy of the interacting glueball vacuum, and

$$E_1^{(0)+}(k) - E_{\text{vac}}^+ = [ 2.270 + 13.511\lambda^2 + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^3) ] \frac{g^{2/3}}{a} + 0.488 \frac{a}{g^{2/3}} k^2 + \mathcal{O}((a^2 k^2)^2)$$

for the energy spectrum of the interacting spin-0 glueball.

Lorentz invariance :  $E = \sqrt{M^2 + k^2} \simeq M + \frac{1}{2M} k^2$

→ Consider  $J = L + S$  states:

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Consider the physical mass

$$M = \frac{g_0^{2/3}}{a} \left[ \mu + c g_0^{-4/3} \right]$$

Demanding its independence of box size  $a$ , one obtains

$$\gamma(g_0) \equiv a \frac{d}{da} g_0(a) = \frac{3}{2} g_0 \frac{\mu + c g_0^{-4/3}}{\mu - c g_0^{-4/3}}$$

vanishes for  $g_0 = 0$  (pert. fixed point) or  $g_0^{4/3} = -c/\mu$  (IR fixed point, if  $c < 0$ )

My (incomplete) result  $c_1^{(0)}/\mu_1^{(0)} = 5.95(1.34)$  suggests, that no IR fixed points exist.

$$\text{for } c > 0 : \quad g_0^{2/3}(Ma) = \frac{Ma}{2\mu} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{Ma}{2\mu}\right)^2 - \frac{c}{\mu}}, \quad a > a_c := 2\sqrt{c\mu}/M$$

critical coupling  $g_0^2|_c = 14.52$  (1.55) and

for  $M \sim 1.6$  GeV :  $a_c \sim 1.4$  fm (0.9 fm) .

# Symmetric gauge for SU(3)

Use idea of *minimal embedding* of  $su(2)$  in  $su(3)$  by Kihlberg + Marnelius (1982)

$$\begin{aligned}\tau_1 := \lambda_7 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -i \\ 0 & i & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \tau_2 := -\lambda_5 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & i \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -i & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \tau_3 := \lambda_2 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i & 0 \\ i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \tau_4 := \lambda_6 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \tau_5 := \lambda_4 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \tau_6 := \lambda_1 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \tau_7 := \lambda_3 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \tau_8 := \lambda_8 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

The corresponding non-trivial non-vanishing structure constants  $[\frac{\tau_a}{2}, \frac{\tau_b}{2}] = i c_{abc} \frac{\tau_c}{2}$  , have at least one index  $\in \{1, 2, 3\}$

”symmetric gauge” for  $SU(3)$  :  $\chi_a(A) = \sum_{b=1}^8 \sum_{i=1}^3 c_{abi} A_{bi} = 0$  ,  $a = 1, \dots, 8$

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# Symmetric gauge for SU(3): Unconstrained representation

Carrying out the coordinate transformation (generalized polar decomposition)

$$A_{ak}(q_1, \dots, q_8, \widehat{S}) = O_{a\hat{a}}(q) \widehat{S}_{\hat{a}k} - \frac{1}{2g} c_{abc} \left( O(q) \partial_k O^T(q) \right)_{bc},$$

$$\psi_\alpha(q_1, \dots, q_8, \psi^{RS}) = U_{\alpha\hat{\beta}}(q) \psi_{\hat{\beta}}^{RS}$$

$$\widehat{S}_{\hat{a}k} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} S_{ik} \\ \overline{S}_{Ak} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} & & S_{ik} \text{ pos. def.} \\ \hline W_0 & X_3 - W_3 & X_2 + W_2 \\ X_3 + W_3 & W_0 & X_1 - W_1 \\ X_2 - W_2 & X_1 + W_1 & W_0 \\ -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} Y_1 - \frac{1}{2} W_1 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} Y_2 - \frac{1}{2} W_2 & W_3 \\ -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} W_1 - \frac{1}{2} Y_1 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} W_2 - \frac{1}{2} Y_2 & Y_3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad c_{\hat{a}\hat{b}k} \widehat{S}_{\hat{b}k} = 0$$

exists and unique :  $\widehat{S}_{\hat{a}i} \widehat{S}_{\hat{a}j} = A_{ai} A_{aj}$  (6)  $d_{\hat{a}\hat{b}\hat{c}} \widehat{S}_{\hat{a}i} \widehat{S}_{\hat{b}j} \widehat{S}_{\hat{c}k} = d_{abc} A_{ai} A_{bj} A_{ck}$  (10)

reduced gluons (glueballs): Spin 0,1,2,3    reduced quarks: Spin 3/2 Rarita-Schwinger

Reduction: Color  $\rightarrow$  Spin, consequ. for Spin-Physics?  $\Delta^{++}(3/2) : (3/2, +1/2, -1/2)$ ?

# Symmetric gauge for SU(3): Intrinsic system

Rotate into the intrinsic frame of submatrix  $S$  representing the embedded  $su(2)$

$$\widehat{S} = \begin{pmatrix} S \\ - \\ \overline{S} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} R(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) & | & 0 \\ \hline 0 & | & D^{(2)}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \text{diag}(\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3) \\ \hline \overline{S}(X_i \rightarrow x_i \\ Y_i \rightarrow y_i \\ W_i \rightarrow w_i) \end{pmatrix} \cdot R^T(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$$

The magnetic potential  $V_{\text{magn}}$  has the zero-energy valleys ("constant Abelian fields")

$$B^2 = 0 : \phi_3 \text{ and } y_3 \text{ arbitrary} \wedge \text{all others zero}$$

At the bottom of the valleys the string-interaction becomes diagonal

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{diag}}^D = \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\psi}_L^{(1, \frac{1}{2})\dagger} [(\phi_3 \lambda_3 + y_3 \lambda_8) \otimes \sigma_3] \tilde{\psi}_L^{(1, \frac{1}{2})} - \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\psi}_R^{(\frac{1}{2}, 1)\dagger} [\sigma_3 \otimes (\phi_3 \lambda_3 + y_3 \lambda_8)] \tilde{\psi}_R^{(\frac{1}{2}, 1)}$$

# Symmetric gauge for SU(3): Faddeev-Popov operator

Faddeev-Popov operator for symmetric gauge for SU(3)

$$\gamma_{\hat{a}\hat{b}} = c_{\hat{a}\hat{c}i} D_i(S)_{\hat{c}\hat{b}} = c_{\hat{a}\hat{c}i} \left( \delta_{\hat{b}\hat{c}} \partial_i - c_{\hat{b}\hat{c}\hat{d}} \hat{S}_{\hat{d}i} \right) = -c_{\hat{a}\hat{c}i} c_{\hat{b}\hat{c}\hat{d}} \hat{S}_{\hat{d}i} + c_{\hat{a}\hat{b}i} \partial_i$$

Explicit form of the intrinsic  $\tilde{\gamma}$ ,

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|cc} \phi_2 + \phi_3 & 0 & 0 & & \\ 0 & \phi_3 + \phi_1 & 0 & & \\ 0 & 0 & \phi_1 + \phi_2 & & \\ \hline & & & -2\bar{S}^T(-\frac{3}{2}v, w) & \\ -2\bar{S}(-\frac{3}{2}v, w) & \begin{array}{ccc} 4\phi_1 + \phi_2 + \phi_3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \phi_1 + 4\phi_2 + \phi_3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \phi_1 + \phi_2 + 4\phi_3 \end{array} & \begin{array}{cc} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{array} & \begin{array}{cc} \phi_1 + \phi_2 + 4\phi_3 & -\sqrt{3}(\phi_1 - \phi_2) \\ -\sqrt{3}(\phi_1 - \phi_2) & 3(\phi_1 + \phi_2) \end{array} \end{array} \right)$$

In contrast to the  $SU(2)$  case, transition to the intrinsic system does not completely diagonalize  $\gamma$ .

# Symmetric gauge for SU(3): 1 spatial dimension

In one spatial dimension the symmetric gauge for SU(3) reduces to ( $\sim$  t'Hooft gauge)

$$A^{(1d)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & A_{13} \\ 0 & 0 & A_{23} \\ 0 & 0 & A_{33} \\ 0 & 0 & A_{43} \\ 0 & 0 & A_{53} \\ 0 & 0 & A_{63} \\ 0 & 0 & A_{73} \\ 0 & 0 & A_{83} \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow S^{(1d)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \phi_3 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & y_3 \end{pmatrix} (\sim A_3^a \lambda_a = U(\phi_3 \lambda_3 + y_3 \lambda_8) U^+)$$

which consistently reduces the above equs. for  $S$  for given  $A_3$  to

$$\phi_3^2 + y_3^2 = A_{a3}A_{a3} \quad \wedge \quad \phi_3^2 y_3 - 3 y_3^3 = d_{abc} A_{a3} A_{b3} A_{c3}$$

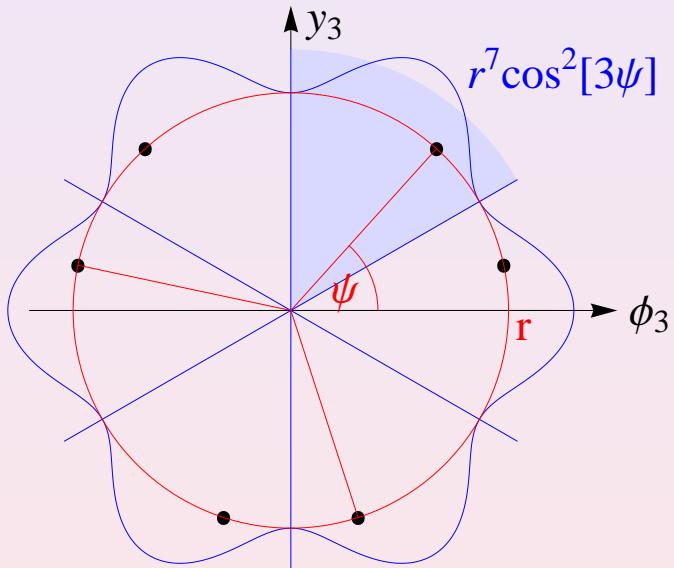
$$\phi_3 = r \cos[\psi] \quad y_3 = r \sin[\psi]$$

$$r^2 = A_3^a A_3^a$$

$$r^3 \sin[3\psi] = \sqrt{3} d_{abc} A_3^a A_3^b A_3^c$$

$$\text{FP-det} \rightarrow r^7 \cos^2[3\psi]$$

## → 6 Weyl-chambers



with 6 sol. separated by 0-lines of the FP-det  $\phi_3^2 (\phi_3^2 - 3y_3^2)^2$  ("Gribov-horizons"). Exactly 1 sol. exists in the "fundamental domain" (blue area) and we can replace

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \prod_{a=1}^8 dA_{a3} \rightarrow \int_0^\infty d\phi_3 \int_{\phi_3/\sqrt{3}}^\infty dy_3 \phi_3^2 (\phi_3^2 - 3y_3^2)^2 \propto \int_0^\infty r^7 dr \int_{\pi/6}^{\pi/2} d\psi \cos^2(3\psi)$$

# Symmetric gauge for SU(3): 2 spatial dimensions

For two spatial dimensions, one can show that (putting  $W_1 \equiv X_1, W_2 \equiv -X_2$ )

$$A^{(2d)} = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & 0 \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & 0 \\ A_{31} & A_{32} & 0 \\ A_{41} & A_{42} & 0 \\ A_{51} & A_{52} & 0 \\ A_{61} & A_{62} & 0 \\ A_{71} & A_{72} & 0 \\ A_{81} & A_{82} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \widehat{S}_{\text{intr}}^{(2d)} = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \phi_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & x_3 & 0 \\ x_3 & 0 & 0 \\ 2x_2 & 2x_1 & 0 \\ -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}y_1 - \frac{1}{2}x_1 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}y_2 + \frac{1}{2}x_2 & 0 \\ -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}y_1 + \frac{1}{2}x_1 & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}y_2 + \frac{1}{2}x_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

consistently reduces the above equs. for  $S$  to a system of 7 equs. ( $i, j, k = 1, 2$ )

$$\widehat{S}_{\hat{a}i}\widehat{S}_{\hat{a}j} = A_{ai}A_{aj} \quad (3) \quad d_{\hat{a}\hat{b}\hat{c}}\widehat{S}_{\hat{a}i}\widehat{S}_{\hat{b}j}\widehat{S}_{\hat{c}k} = d_{abc}A_{ai}A_{bj}A_{ck} \quad (4)$$

for 8 physical fields (incl. rot.-angle  $\gamma$ ), which, adding as an 8th equ.

$(d_{\hat{a}\hat{b}\hat{c}}\widehat{S}_{\hat{b}1}\widehat{S}_{\hat{c}2})^2 = (d_{abc}A_{b1}A_{c2})^2$ , can be solved numerically for randomly gen.  $A^{(2d)}$ , again yielding solutions separated by horizons. Restricting to a fundamental domain

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \prod_{a,b=1}^8 dA_{a1}dA_{b2} \rightarrow \int_0^{2\pi} d\gamma \int_0^\infty r^{15} dr \int_{0 < \hat{\phi}_1 < \hat{\phi}_2 < 1} d\hat{\phi}_1 d\hat{\phi}_2 (\hat{\phi}_2 - \hat{\phi}_1) \int_{\text{fund. domain}} d\alpha_1 d\alpha_2 d\alpha_3 d\alpha_4 \mathcal{J}$$

in terms of the compact variables  $\hat{\phi}_i \equiv \phi_i/r$  ( $i=1,2$ ) and  $\alpha_k$  ( $k=1,\dots,4$ ). Due to the difficulty of the FP-determinant  $\mathcal{J}$ , I have, however, not yet found a satisfactory description of the fundamental domain.

# Symmetric gauge for SU(3): 2 spatial dimensions: example

$A_{ai}$	$a = 1$	$a = 2$	$a = 3$	$a = 4$	$a = 5$	$a = 6$	$a = 7$	$a = 8$
$i = 1$	0.00145	-0.05643	0.38156	0.2994	0.35597	-0.15409	-0.24694	0.26102
$i = 2$	0.03221	0.14621	-0.15238	-0.30259	-0.06546	0.37797	-0.33890	-0.28775

$S$	$S_{11}$	$S_{22}$	$S_3$	$X_1$	$X_2$	$X_3$	$Y_1$	$Y_2$
1	0.44613	0.59928	-0.39002	-0.04911	-0.11429	0.23885	0.43251	-0.08321
2	0.65224	0.58752	-0.27742	0.07114	0.04073	0.30854	-0.02577	-0.19945
3	0.52058	0.40845	0.04142	0.34919	-0.26980	0.16909	-0.15906	0.14053
4	0.40472	0.37685	-0.07270	-0.19796	0.34328	0.42889	-0.06569	-0.32873
5	0.45038	0.36692	-0.46652	-0.12047	-0.02525	0.57146	-0.18583	0.21427
6	0.21869	0.36758	-0.22454	-0.35781	0.12015	0.34167	0.54196	0.00449

	$\phi^{(0)}$	$\phi^{(2)}$	$x_3$	$v^{(1)}$	$w^{(3)}$	$\sqrt{\phi^{(0)2} + \phi^{(2)2}}$	$\sqrt{x_3^2 + v^{(1)2} + w^{(3)2}}$	$\mathcal{J} \propto$
2	0.88	0.28	0.31	0.22	0.10	0.92	0.39	1.70
5	0.58	0.47	0.57	0.20	0.28	0.75	0.67	0.14
4	0.55	0.08	0.43	0.61	0.37	0.56	0.83	0.20
1	0.74	0.40	0.24	0.39	0.28	0.84	0.54	- 0.61
3	0.66	0.09	0.17	0.59	0.42	0.66	0.75	- 0.17
6	0.41	0.25	0.34	0.78	0.19	0.48	0.88	- 0.33

# Symmetric gauge for SU(3): 3 spatial dimensions

For 3 dimensions, I have found several solutions of the 16 S-equations ( $i, j, k = 1, 2, 3$ )

$$\widehat{S}_{\hat{a}i}\widehat{S}_{\hat{a}j} = A_{ai}A_{aj} \quad (6) \quad d_{\hat{a}\hat{b}\hat{c}}\widehat{S}_{\hat{a}i}\widehat{S}_{\hat{b}j}\widehat{S}_{\hat{c}k} = d_{abc}A_{ai}A_{bj}A_{ck} \quad (10)$$

for the 16 physical fields numerically for a randomly generated  $A$  (see Table).

But to write the corresponding unconstrained integral over a fundamental domain

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \prod_{a,b,c=1}^8 dA_{a1}dA_{b2}dA_{c3} \rightarrow \int d\alpha \sin \beta d\beta d\gamma \int_0^\infty r^{23} dr$$
$$\int_{0 < \hat{\phi}_1 < \hat{\phi}_2 < \hat{\phi}_3 < 1} d\hat{\phi}_1 d\hat{\phi}_2 d\hat{\phi}_3 \prod_{i < j} (\hat{\phi}_i - \hat{\phi}_j) \int_{\text{fund. domain}} d\alpha_1 \dots d\alpha_9 \mathcal{J}$$

in terms of the compact variables  $\hat{\phi}_i \equiv \phi_i/r$  and  $\alpha_k$  is a difficult, but I think solvable, future task.

# Symmetric gauge for SU(3): 3 spatial dimensions: example

$\phi^{(0)}$	$\phi^{(2)}$	$v^{(1)}$	$w^{(3)}$	$\sqrt{\phi^{(0)2} + \phi^{(2)2}}$	$\sqrt{v^{(1)2} + w^{(3)2}}$	$\prod_{i < j} (\phi_i - \phi_j)$	$\mathcal{J} \propto$
0.88	0.29	0.12	0.35	0.928	0.372	0.016	2.800
0.83	0.37	0.16	0.39	0.906	0.423	0.034	1.035
0.79	0.40	0.16	0.43	0.890	0.456	0.046	0.543
0.77	0.35	0.11	0.51	0.851	0.526	0.030	0.476
0.77	0.38	0.14	0.50	0.857	0.515	0.040	0.285
0.74	0.37	0.10	0.55	0.826	0.564	0.035	0.223
0.75	0.31	0.24	0.54	0.808	0.590	0.011	0.078
0.69	0.23	0.18	0.67	0.724	0.689	0.004	0.036
0.73	0.45	0.20	0.47	0.857	0.516	0.062	-0.062
0.69	0.48	0.29	0.47	0.836	0.548	0.074	-0.254
0.70	0.41	0.20	0.55	0.813	0.582	0.046	-0.178
0.63	0.49	0.20	0.57	0.797	0.604	0.083	-0.094
0.67	0.40	0.11	0.61	0.787	0.618	0.047	-0.034
0.68	0.39	0.36	0.50	0.785	0.619	0.039	-0.286
0.59	0.47	0.33	0.57	0.754	0.657	0.060	-0.312
0.65	0.34	0.10	0.67	0.736	0.677	0.023	-0.035
0.83	0.25	0.17	0.47	0.864	0.503	-0.008	1.315
0.81	0.34	0.26	0.40	0.877	0.480	-0.020	0.739
0.80	0.27	0.25	0.48	0.841	0.540	-0.010	0.621
0.76	0.31	0.22	0.53	0.820	0.573	-0.013	0.328
0.74	0.20	0.23	0.60	0.767	0.642	-0.005	0.256
0.70	0.33	0.06	0.62	0.780	0.626	-0.026	0.119
0.58	0.45	0.34	0.58	0.739	0.674	-0.065	-0.168

# Conclusions

- Using a canonical transformation of the dynamical variables, which Abelianises the non-Abelian Gauss-law constraints to be implemented, a reformulation of QCD in terms of gauge invariant dynamical variables can be achieved.
- Using minimal embedding, the symmetric gauge  $\epsilon_{ijk}A_{jk} = 0$  for  $SU(2)$  can be generalized to the corresponding  $SU(3)$  symmetric gauge  $c_{abi}A_{bi} = 0$ .
- The exact implementation of the Gauss laws reduces the colored spin-1 gluons and spin-1/2 quarks to unconstrained colorless spin-0, spin-1, spin-2 and spin-3 glueball fields and colorless Rarita-Schwinger fields respectively.
- The obtained physical Hamiltonian admits a systematic strong-coupling expansion in powers of  $\lambda = g^{-2/3}$ , equiv to an expansion in spatial derivatives.
- leading-order term → non-interacting hybrid-glueballs,  
Dirac-Yang-Mills QM of spatially constant fields → low-lying mass spectrum
- higher-order terms in  $\lambda$  → interactions between the hybrid-glueballs  
perturbation theory in  $\lambda$  → e.g. energy-momentum relation of glueballs  
→ study of Lorentz invariance and renormalisation in the IR.
- conversion of color to spin → new insights into low energy Spin-Physics
- Gauge reduced approach is difficult (due to the complicated Jacobian), but possible and direct. Some properties of the Gribov-copies and -horizons have been identified. The approach should be a useful alternative to lattice calculations.
- The investigation can be extended to flux-tubes (string-tension).