

### Subatomic particles

elementary particles: no substructure  
 composite particles: composed of other particles

particles defined by mass, charge, spin, isospin, strangeness, chirality

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### 1. Introduction and Notation

Baryons:  $p^+(uud), n^0(udd), \Lambda^0(uds), \Sigma^0(uds)$   
 $\Xi^0(uss), \Xi_c^0(ssc)$  }  $J^P = \frac{1}{2}^+$   
 $\Delta^0(uud), \Sigma^{*0}(uds), \Xi^{*0}(uss)$   
 $\Omega_c^{*0}(ssc)$  }  $J^P = \frac{3}{2}^+$

Mesons:  $\pi^+(u\bar{d}), \eta(\frac{u\bar{u}+d\bar{d}-2s\bar{s}}{\sqrt{6}}), K^+(u\bar{s}), D^0(c\bar{u}), B^0(d\bar{b})$  }  $J^P = 0^-$   
 $\rho^0(u\bar{u}), \omega(\frac{u\bar{u}+d\bar{d}}{\sqrt{2}}), J/\psi(c\bar{c}), K^{*0}(d\bar{s})$  }  $J^P = 1^-$

### Symmetries

Continuous symmetries  $\leftrightarrow$  conservation  
 - transl. in space - momentum  
 - transl. in time - energy  
 - rotation in space - ang. mom.

Discrete symmetries: C, P, T  
 Local/global gauge symmetries

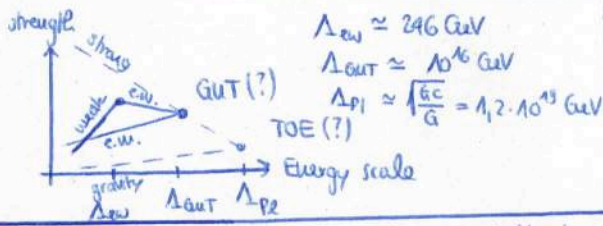
Conserved quant.	Strong	E.M.	Weak	Symmetry
Energy + mom.	✓	✓	✓	transl. in spacetime
Electric charge	✓	✓	✓	U(1) local
Baryon no.	✓	✓	✓	U(1) global
lepton no.	✓	✓	✓	U(1) global
Isospin	✓	x	x	
Strangeness	✓	✓	x	
Parity	✓	✓	x	discrete
Charge conj.	✓	✓	x	discrete
Time reversal	✓	✓	x	discrete
CP	✓	✓	✓	discrete
CPT	✓	✓	✓	discrete

### Natural units

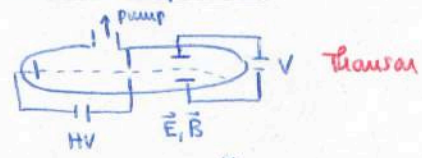
$c = \hbar = \epsilon_0 = \mu_0 = 1$   
 $\hbar c = 197 \text{ MeV} \cdot \text{fm}$   
 $c = 2,998 \cdot 10^8 \text{ m/s}$   
 $\hbar = 1,055 \cdot 10^{-34} \text{ Js}$   
 $e = 0,303$

### Fundamental forces

Strong: 8 gluons,  $\sim 1, q$   
 Electromagnetic: 1 photon,  $\sim \frac{1}{137}, e/q$   
 Weak:  $W^\pm/Z^0, \sim \frac{1}{40}, e/\nu/q$   
 Gravity: 1 graviton (?), weak, all

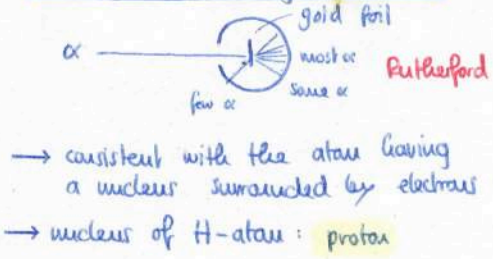


### Cathode ray tube



With  $\vec{E}$  and  $\vec{B}$ :  $e \frac{v}{d} = evB \rightarrow v = \frac{v}{Bd}$   
 Only with  $\vec{E}$ :  $s(t) = \frac{1}{2}at^2 = \frac{1}{2}(\frac{e}{m})(\frac{V}{d})(\frac{t}{v})^2$   
 Since  $(\frac{e}{m})_{\text{cathode ray}} \ll (\frac{e}{m})_{\text{ion}} \rightarrow$  electron

### Rutherford's Scattering Experiment



interact. via Coulomb force (no mag. interact.)  
 no recoil, classical eqs.

$$\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{b} \sin \alpha + \frac{D}{2b^2} (\cos \alpha - 1)$$

$$\left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{\text{Ruth.}} = \left| \frac{b}{d \cos \theta} \right| = \left( \frac{\alpha Z Z'}{4E} \right)^2 \frac{1}{\sin^4 \frac{\theta}{2}}$$

$\rightarrow$  forward-peaked

### 2. Basic Concepts

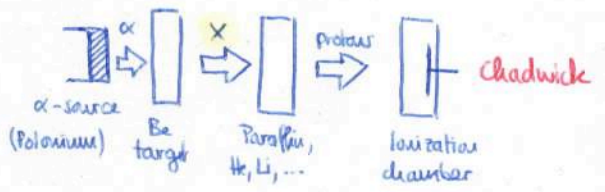
### Rates and Cross Sections

Flux  $\varphi$ : number of particles per unit time per unit surface  
 Cross section  $\sigma$ :  $\left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right) = \frac{1}{\varphi} \frac{dN(\theta, \varphi)}{d\Omega} = \frac{b}{\sin \theta} \left| \frac{db}{d\theta} \right|$  ( $d\sigma = b db d\varphi$ )

Thin target approximation:  $\varphi \rightarrow$   $R = N_{\text{targets}} \cdot \varphi \cdot \sigma$   
 $N(x) = N_0 e^{-\lambda x}$  with  $\lambda = \frac{1}{\lambda_0}$

### Discovery of the neutron

$\alpha + \text{Be} \rightarrow \text{C} + \text{X}$  observed  
 Both and Becker: neutral rays ( $\rightarrow$  photons?)



$$\left. \begin{aligned} M_p + E_p &= E'_p + E'_n \\ \vec{p}_p &= \vec{p}'_p + \vec{p}'_n \end{aligned} \right\} E_n = \frac{M_p(E_p - M_p)}{M_p - E_p + p_p \cos \theta}$$

$$E_n^{\text{min}} = \frac{M_p(E_p - M_p)}{M_p - E_p + p_p} \approx 5 \text{ MeV} \rightarrow \text{X} = \text{neutrons}$$

### Collinear and Quadr- or collisions:

$R = \underbrace{u_1 u_2}_{=: F} |\vec{p}_1 - \vec{p}_2| V \sigma$







# Poincaré and Lorentz group

$$x'^{\mu} = \Lambda^{\mu}_{\nu} x^{\nu} + a^{\mu} \quad \text{with} \quad \eta_{\mu\nu} \Lambda^{\mu}_{\alpha} \Lambda^{\nu}_{\beta} = \eta_{\alpha\beta}$$

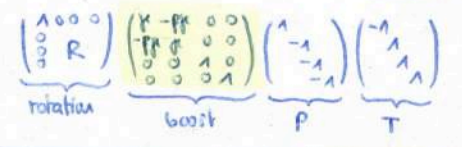
Tensors:  $x^{\mu} \rightarrow \Lambda^{\mu}_{\nu} x^{\nu}$   $x_{\mu} \rightarrow \Lambda_{\mu}^{\nu} x_{\nu}$

$$T = \frac{t}{f} \quad v^{\mu} = \frac{dx^{\mu}}{dt} = \gamma(c, \vec{v}) \quad p^{\mu} = m\gamma(c, \vec{v}) = \left( \frac{E}{c}, \vec{p} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow p^2 = E^2 + \vec{p}^2 = m^2 c^4$$

Classification of tensors:  $x^{\mu} x_{\mu} > 0 \rightarrow$  timelike  
 $x^{\mu} x_{\mu} = 0 \rightarrow$  lightlike  
 $x^{\mu} x_{\mu} < 0 \rightarrow$  spacelike

Classification of Lorentz group matrices:  $\det \Lambda = 1 \rightarrow$  proper,  $\det \Lambda = -1 \rightarrow$  improper  
 $\Lambda^0_0 > 0 \rightarrow$  orthochronous,  $\Lambda^0_0 < 0 \rightarrow$  non-orthochronous



# Lorentz-Invariant Phase Space

$$A+B \rightarrow 1+2+3+\dots+n$$

$$\Pi_n = \int \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{d^3 p_i}{(2\pi)^3 2E_i} (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_A + p_B - \sum_i p_i)$$

this is Lorentz-invariant, which can be seen by applying a Lorentz boost or by comparing it to  $\int d^4 p \delta(p^2 - m^2) \Theta(p^0)$

# Relativistic Collisions

$$d\sigma = |M|^2 \frac{1}{F} S \left( \prod_i \frac{d^3 p_i}{(2\pi)^3 2E_i} \right) (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_A + p_B - \sum_i p_i)$$

$$\text{Møller flux factor: } F = \sqrt{(p_A \cdot p_B)^2 - m_A^2 m_B^2} = \sqrt{(p_A \cdot p_B)^2 - m_A^2 m_B^2}$$

$$\text{2-Body CMS: } \Pi_2 = \int d\Omega \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \frac{p_f}{E_A}$$

$$\rightarrow \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{\text{CMS}} = \frac{1}{64\pi^2 s} \frac{p_f}{p_i} |M|^2$$

$$\text{2-Body TS: } \Pi_2 = \int d\Omega \frac{E_2 p_1}{(2\pi)^4 E_2 (E_A + M_B - p_A \frac{E_A}{p_1} \cos\theta)}$$

$$\rightarrow \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{\text{lab}} = \frac{p_1}{64\pi^2 p_A M_B (E_A + M_B - p_A \frac{E_A}{p_1} \cos\theta)} |M|^2$$

# Relativistic decay rates

$$R \rightarrow 1+2+\dots+n$$

$$d\Gamma = |M|^2 \frac{1}{2E_A} S \left( \prod_i \frac{d^3 p_i}{(2\pi)^3 2E_i} \right) (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_A - \sum_i p_i)$$

$$\rightarrow \tau = \frac{1}{\Gamma} \quad \Gamma = \sum_i \Gamma_i \quad \text{partial decay width}$$

lifetime  $\uparrow$  total decay width

# Inertial frames in collisions A+B → C+D

Lab system: frame in which experiment is performed  
 Center-of-mass system:  $\vec{p}_A + \vec{p}_B = 0$   
 Fixed target system:  $\vec{p}_B = 0$

a part of the energy represents the motion of the center-of-mass relative to the laboratory

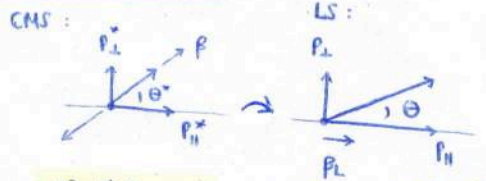
$$\text{Fixed target: } E^* = \sqrt{M_A^2 + M_B^2 + 2E_A M_B} \approx \sqrt{2E_A M_B} < E_A + M_B$$

$$\text{Collider: } E^* = E_A + E_B$$

Example:  $e^+e^- \rightarrow Z^0$

Fixed target:  $E^* \geq M_Z \rightarrow E_A \geq \frac{M_Z^2}{2M_B} \approx 8 \cdot 10^6 \text{ GeV}$   
 Collider:  $E^* \geq M_Z \rightarrow E_A = M_Z/2 \approx 45 \text{ GeV}$  } collider setup clearly favorable to reach high  $E^*$

# Transition CMS → LS



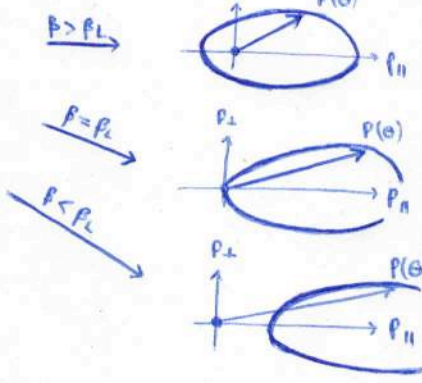
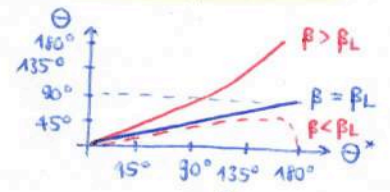
$$p_{11}^2 + p_{12}^2 = \text{const.} \rightarrow \frac{p_{11}^2}{a^2} + \frac{(p_{11} - c)^2}{b^2} = 1$$

$$(p^*)^2 = (\gamma_L \vec{p}^*)^2$$

$$\text{For } p_2^* = 0 \rightarrow p_{11} = \gamma_L E^* (p_L + \beta)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} E \\ p_{11} \\ p_{12} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_L & \gamma_L \beta & 0 \\ \gamma_L \beta & \gamma_L & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} E^* \\ p_{11}^* \\ p_{12}^* \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{1}{\gamma_L} \left( \frac{\sin \theta^*}{\beta + \cos \theta^*} \right)$$



# 5. Relativistic Formulation and Kinematics

Example:  $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

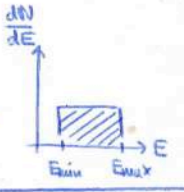
$$\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta^*}{\gamma_L (\beta + \cos \theta^*)} \quad 1 - \cos \alpha = \frac{2}{\gamma_L^2 (1 - \beta^2 \cos^2 \theta^*)}$$

$$\rightarrow \sin \left( \frac{\alpha_{\text{min}}}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{\gamma_L} \quad (\sim 15^\circ \text{ for } E_{\pi^0} = 1 \text{ GeV})$$

$$\rightarrow E_{\text{min}} = E_{\pi^0} \frac{1-\beta}{2}, \quad E_{\text{max}} = E_{\pi^0} \frac{1+\beta}{2}$$

$$(\theta^* = 180^\circ) \quad (\theta^* = 0^\circ)$$

$$\text{Energy distribution: } \frac{dN}{dE} = \frac{dN(\cos \theta^*)}{d\cos \theta^*} \frac{d\cos \theta^*}{dE} = \text{const.} \cdot \frac{2}{p E_{\pi^0}}$$



$$\text{2-Body CMS: } \Pi_2 = \frac{p_1}{16\pi^2 M_A} d\Omega$$

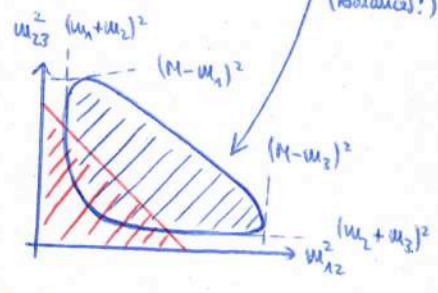
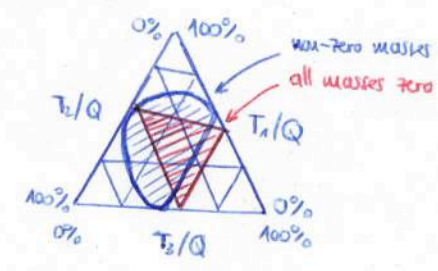
$$\rightarrow d\Gamma_{\text{CMS}} = \frac{|M|^2 p_1}{32\pi^2 M_A^2} d\Omega$$

uniform distribution in allowed kinematic region

non-uniform distribution due to dependence of the process (resonances!)

$$\text{3-Body CMS: } \Pi_3 = \Pi^2 dE_1 dE_2 = \Pi^2 dT_1 dT_2$$

# Dalitz plots



$$Q = M - m_1 - m_2 - m_3 = T_1 + T_2 + T_3$$

$$m_{12}^2 = (p_1 + p_2)^2 = M^2 + m_3^2 - 2M(m_3 + T_3)$$

$$\rightarrow m_{12}^2 \leq (M - m_3)^2$$



## General Mechanics

Lagrangian formalism:  $L(q_i, \dot{q}_i) = T - V$

$$S[L] = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt L \quad \delta S \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial (\frac{dq_i}{dt}} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_i} \stackrel{!}{=} 0$$

Hamiltonian formalism:  $p_i := \frac{\partial L}{\partial (\frac{dq_i}{dt}}$

$$H(p_i, q_i, t) = p_i \left( \frac{dq_i}{dt} \right) - L(q_i, \dot{q}_i, t)$$

$$\frac{dq_i}{dt} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_i}, \quad \frac{dp_i}{dt} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial q_i}, \quad -\frac{\partial L}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial t}$$

## Relativistic tensor fields

$$\phi(x) \rightarrow \phi'(x') = \phi(\Lambda^{-1}x)$$

$$A^\mu(x) \rightarrow A'^\mu(x') = \Lambda^\mu_\nu A^\nu(\Lambda^{-1}x)$$

$$F^{\mu\nu}(x) \rightarrow F'^{\mu\nu}(x') = \Lambda^\mu_\alpha \Lambda^\nu_\beta F^{\alpha\beta}(\Lambda^{-1}x)$$

## Lagrangian density in field theory

$$\mathcal{L} := \mathcal{L}(\phi, \partial_\mu \phi), \quad S = \int d^4x \mathcal{L}(\phi, \partial_\mu \phi) \rightarrow [\mathcal{L}] = [m^4]$$

$$\delta S \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \phi} - \partial_\mu \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_\mu \phi)} \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \quad (\text{complex scalar fields: } \psi(x) = \phi_1(x) + i\phi_2(x) \rightarrow \text{E.L. for } \psi, \psi^*)$$

Space-time translation:  $x^\mu \rightarrow x'^\mu = x^\mu + a^\mu$

$$\phi'(x') = \phi(x) \rightarrow \phi'(x) \approx \phi(x) - \partial_\mu \phi \delta a^\mu \rightarrow \delta \phi = -\delta a^\mu \partial_\mu \phi$$

$$\delta \mathcal{L} \stackrel{\text{E.L.}}{=} \partial_\mu \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_\mu \phi)} \delta \phi \right) \quad \text{in general}$$

$$\delta \mathcal{L} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x^\mu} \delta a^\mu = \partial_\mu \left( \delta a^\mu \mathcal{L} \right) \delta a^\nu \quad \text{here}$$

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_\mu \phi)} (\partial^\nu \phi) - \eta^{\mu\nu} \mathcal{L}$$

is a conserved current

$$(\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0 \rightarrow \int d^3x T^{0\nu} \text{ const.})$$

$$\mathcal{H} := T^{00} = \frac{\pi}{\partial (\partial_0 \phi)} \partial^0 \phi - \mathcal{L}$$

$$P^i := T^{0i} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_0 \phi)} \partial^i \phi$$

## 6. The Lagrangian Formalism

### General Noether currents

Transformation:  $x^\mu \rightarrow x'^\mu = x^\mu + \delta x^\mu$

$$\phi(x) \rightarrow \phi'(x) = \phi(x) + \delta_\phi \phi(x)$$

Conserved current:  $\delta_\phi \phi = \Phi_S \delta \alpha^S$

$$\delta x^\mu = X_S^\mu \delta \alpha^S$$

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{J}_S^\mu = \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_\mu \phi)} \right) \Phi_S - T^\mu_\nu X_S^\nu$$

satisfies  $\partial_\mu J_S^\mu = 0$

$$\text{Conserved charge: } Q_S = \int d^3x J_S^0$$

satisfies  $\frac{d}{dt} Q_S = 0$

Examples: (translation)  $x^\mu \rightarrow x'^\mu = x^\mu + a^\mu$

$$\rightarrow J_S^\mu = -T^\mu_S$$

$$\delta S = \int \delta(d^4x) \mathcal{L} + \int d^4x \delta \mathcal{L} \approx \int d^4x (1 + \partial_\nu \delta x^\nu) \mathcal{L} +$$

$$\int d^4x \left( (\partial_\nu \mathcal{L}) \delta x^\nu + \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \phi} \delta \phi \right) + \partial_\mu \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_\mu \phi)} \delta \phi \right) - \partial_\mu \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_\mu \phi)} \right) \delta \phi \right)$$

$$= \dots = \int \underbrace{\left[ \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_\mu \phi)} \right) \delta_\phi \phi - T^\mu_\nu \delta x^\nu \right] d^4x}_{\text{conserved current}} + \int d^4x \delta_\phi \phi \underbrace{\left[ \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \phi} - \partial_\mu \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_\mu \phi)} \right) \right]}_{\text{Euler-Lagrange eqs.}}$$

→ conserved current

→ Euler-Lagrange eqs.

$$(J_S^\mu = \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_\mu \phi)} \right) \Phi_S + \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_\mu \phi^*)} \right) \Phi_S^* - T^\mu_\nu X_S^\nu)$$

(global gauge)

$$\psi(x) \rightarrow \psi'(x) = e^{-i\alpha} \psi(x)$$

$$\rightarrow J_S^\mu = -i \left( \psi \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_\mu \psi)} - \psi^* \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_\mu \psi^*)} \right)$$

Dirac equation

Postulate:  $H_D = \vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{p} + \beta m$  with  $E^2 = (\vec{\alpha} \vec{p} + \beta m)^2 = \vec{p}^2 + m^2$

$\rightarrow \begin{cases} \alpha_i^2 = \beta^2 = 1 \\ \{\alpha_i, \alpha_j\} = \{\alpha_i, \beta\} = 0 \end{cases} \quad \alpha_i^\dagger = \alpha_i \quad \beta^\dagger = \beta \quad \text{tr}(\alpha_i) = \text{tr}(\beta) = 0$

Pauli-Dirac representation:  $\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \alpha_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_i \\ \sigma_i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Chiral/Weyl representation:  $\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \alpha_i = \begin{pmatrix} -\sigma_i & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_i \end{pmatrix}$

$\Psi_{FD} = R \Psi_{chiral} R^{-1}$ , with  $R = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, R^{-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Covariant form:  $\gamma^0 = \beta, \gamma^k = \beta \alpha_k \quad \{\gamma^\mu, \gamma^\nu\} = 2\eta^{\mu\nu} \mathbb{1}$

$(\gamma^\mu)^\dagger = \gamma^0 \gamma^\mu \gamma^0$

Dirac equation:  $(i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m)\psi = 0$

$\rightarrow (i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu + m)(i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m)\psi = -(\partial^2 + m^2)\psi \stackrel{!}{=} 0$   
 $\rightarrow$  each spinor component solves the K.G. equation

Current density: defining  $\bar{\psi} = \psi^\dagger \gamma^0$ , one finds that  $J^\mu = \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi$  is conserved  
 $\rightarrow S = \psi^\dagger \psi \geq 0$

8. Free Fermion Dirac Fields (1/2)

Dirac particles and spin

$[\vec{L}, H_{Dirac}] = i\vec{\alpha} \times \vec{p} \neq 0$   
 $\vec{S} := \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\sigma} & 0 \\ 0 & \vec{\sigma} \end{pmatrix} \quad [L + \vec{S}, H_{Dirac}] = 0$   
 $[\vec{S}, H_{Dirac}] = -i\vec{\alpha} \times \vec{p} \neq 0$

For  $\vec{p} = (0, 0, \pm p)$ :  $\begin{cases} \psi^{(1)}, \psi^{(3)} \leftrightarrow |T\rangle \\ \psi^{(2)}, \psi^{(4)} \leftrightarrow |B\rangle \end{cases}$

Anti-particle spinors

Introduce  $\phi^{(i)}(x) = v^{(i)}(E, \vec{p}) e^{i p x} = u^{(i)}(-E, -\vec{p}) e^{-i(-p)x}$   
 $\rightarrow v^{(i)}(p) \leftrightarrow u^{(i)}(-p)$

Complete set:  $u^{(i)}(E, \vec{p}) = \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} u_A^{(i,2)} \\ (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}) u_A^{(i,2)} \\ (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}) u_A^{(i,1)} \\ u_A^{(i,1)} \end{pmatrix} \quad v^{(i)}(E, \vec{p}) = \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}) u_A^{(i,2)} \\ u_A^{(i,2)} \\ u_A^{(i,1)} \\ (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}) u_A^{(i,1)} \end{pmatrix}$   
 $\psi^{(i)} = u^{(i)} e^{-i p x} \quad \phi^{(i)} = v^{(i)} e^{i p x}$   
 $(\not{p} \gamma_\mu - m)\psi = 0 \quad (\not{p} \gamma_\mu + m)\phi = 0$   
 $\bar{u}^{(r)} u^{(s)} = 2m \delta_{r,s} \quad \bar{v}^{(r)} v^{(s)} = -2m \delta_{r,s}$

$\sum_{s=1,2} u^{(s)}(p) \bar{u}^{(s)}(\vec{p}) = \not{p} \gamma_\mu + m$

$\sum_{s=1,2} v^{(s)}(p) \bar{v}^{(s)}(p) = \not{p} \gamma_\mu - m$

Dirac spinors (eigenstates)

Ansatz:  $\psi^{(i)}(x) = u^{(i)}(E, \vec{p}) e^{-i p x}$

$E > 0: \psi^{(1)} = N \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \frac{p_z}{E+m} \\ \frac{p_x + i p_y}{E+m} \end{pmatrix} e^{-i p x} \quad \psi^{(2)} = N \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \frac{p_x - i p_y}{E+m} \\ -\frac{p_z}{E+m} \end{pmatrix} e^{-i p x}$

$E < 0: \psi^{(3)} = N \begin{pmatrix} \frac{p_z}{E-m} \\ \frac{p_x + i p_y}{E-m} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} e^{-i p x} \quad \psi^{(4)} = N \begin{pmatrix} \frac{p_x - i p_y}{E-m} \\ \frac{p_z}{E-m} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{-i p x}$

$N = \sqrt{|E+m|}$  to have  $S = 2|E|$

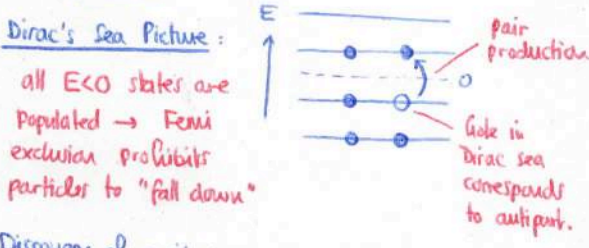
Completeness relation:  $u^{(r)\dagger} u^{(s)} = 2|E| \delta_{r,s}$   
 $\bar{u}^{(r)} u^{(s)} = \frac{|E|}{E} 2m \delta_{r,s}$

$\rightarrow \sum_{s=1,2} u^{(s)}(\vec{p}) \bar{u}^{(s)}(\vec{p}) = \not{p} \gamma_\mu + m \mathbb{1}$

$\Lambda_+ = \frac{\not{p} + m \mathbb{1}}{2m}, \Lambda_- = \frac{-\not{p} + m \mathbb{1}}{2m}$  project out positive/negative energy solutions

Antiparticles

How can the negative energy solutions be explained?



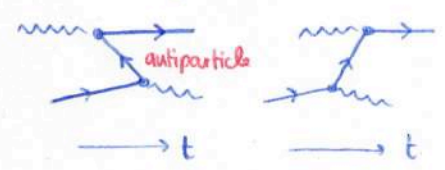
Discovery of positron:

Tracks on Cloud chamber pictures  
 $\rightarrow$  supersaturated vapor  
 $\rightarrow$  bubbles form along the trajectories of ionizing particles

"particle identification" via  $p(\cos\theta) = R(\theta) B(\theta) \cdot 0,3$  and  $\langle \frac{dE}{dx} \rangle \propto -\frac{1}{v^2}$

Stueckelberg-Feynman:

negative energy propagating backward in time  
 $\leftrightarrow$  positive energy antiparticle propagating forward in time  
 $e^{-i(-E)(-t)} = e^{-i(+E)(+t)}$





**Helicity**  $G = \frac{\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}}{|\vec{p}|} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sigma_3 p_3}{|\vec{p}|} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\sigma_3 p_3}{|\vec{p}|} \end{pmatrix}$

$[G, H_{Dirac}] = 0 \rightarrow P + 1$   
 $\rightarrow P - 1$

**Eigenstates:**  $u_{\uparrow} = \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ s e^{i\phi} \\ \alpha c \\ \alpha s e^{i\phi} \end{pmatrix}$   $u_{\downarrow} = \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} -s \\ c e^{i\phi} \\ \alpha s \\ -\alpha c e^{i\phi} \end{pmatrix}$   
 $v_{\uparrow} = \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha s \\ -\alpha c e^{i\phi} \\ -s \\ c e^{i\phi} \end{pmatrix}$   $v_{\downarrow} = \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha c \\ \alpha s e^{i\phi} \\ c \\ s e^{i\phi} \end{pmatrix}$   
 with  $\alpha = \frac{p}{E+m}$ ,  $c = \cos(\frac{\theta}{2})$ ,  $s = \sin(\frac{\theta}{2})$

**Chirality and Helicity**

chirality = eigenstates of  $\gamma^5 \neq$  helicity = projection of spin operator onto the direction of motion

$u_{\uparrow} = \frac{1}{2}(1-\alpha)u_L + \frac{1}{2}(1+\alpha)u_R$   
 $\rightarrow$  in the highly relativistic limit:  $(E \gg m)$

$u_{\uparrow} \leftrightarrow u_R$   $v_{\uparrow} \leftrightarrow v_L$   
 $u_{\downarrow} \leftrightarrow u_L$   $v_{\downarrow} \leftrightarrow v_R$

$\Delta$  here:  $\gamma^5 v_L = -v_L$ , but sometimes they are defined as  $\gamma^5 v_L = v_L$ , s.t.  $v_L \leftrightarrow v_{\downarrow}$

**Dirac Lagrangian**

$S^{\dagger}(\Lambda)S(\Lambda) = \gamma^0 S(\Lambda)^{-1} \gamma^0 S(\Lambda)$   
 $\rightarrow \bar{\psi}(x)\psi(x)$  is a Lorentz scalar  
 $\rightarrow \bar{\psi}(x)\gamma^{\mu}\psi(x)$  is a Lorentz 4-vector

$\mathcal{L}_{Dirac} = i\bar{\psi}\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}\psi - m\bar{\psi}\psi$  has all the right properties

Generally:  $\bar{\psi}\psi \rightarrow$  scalar,  $\bar{\psi}\gamma^5\psi \rightarrow$  pseudo-scalar  
 $\bar{\psi}\gamma^{\mu}\psi \rightarrow$  vector,  $i\bar{\psi}\gamma^{\mu}\gamma^5\psi \rightarrow$  axial-vector  
 $\frac{1}{2}[\gamma^{\mu}\gamma^{\nu}] \rightarrow$  tensor

$\rightarrow$  "mix and match" to get the desired properties for the Lagrangian

**Second quantization**

$\psi = \int \frac{d^3\vec{p}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2E_p}} \sum_{s=1,2} (a_r(\vec{p})u^{(s)}(\vec{p})e^{-ipx} + b_r^{\dagger}(\vec{p})v^{(s)}(\vec{p})e^{ipx})$   
 $\bar{\psi} = \int \frac{d^3\vec{p}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2E_p}} \sum_{s=1,2} (a_r^{\dagger}(\vec{p})\bar{u}^{(s)}(\vec{p})e^{ipx} + b_r(\vec{p})\bar{v}^{(s)}(\vec{p})e^{-ipx})$

**Equal-time "commutation":**  $\{\psi_i(\vec{x}, t), \psi_j^{\dagger}(\vec{x}', t)\} = \delta^{ij}(\vec{x}-\vec{x}')\delta_{ij}$   
 $\{\psi_i(\vec{x}, t), \psi_j(\vec{x}', t)\} = \{\psi_i^{\dagger}(\vec{x}, t), \psi_j^{\dagger}(\vec{x}', t)\} = 0$

**Anti-commutation:**  $\{a_r(\vec{p}), a_s^{\dagger}(\vec{p}')\} = \{b_r(\vec{p}), b_s^{\dagger}(\vec{p}')\} = \delta^{rs}\delta(\vec{p}-\vec{p}')\delta_{r,s}$   
 $\{a_r(\vec{p}), a_s(\vec{p}')\} = \{a_r^{\dagger}(\vec{p}), a_s^{\dagger}(\vec{p}')\} = 0$

**Lorentz transformation of spinors**

$\psi'(x) = S(\Lambda)\psi(\Lambda^{-1}x)$  with  $S(\Lambda) = \exp(\frac{i}{2}\Omega_{\mu\nu}S^{\mu\nu})$

$S^{\mu\nu} = \frac{i}{4}[\gamma^{\mu}, \gamma^{\nu}]$  if we set  $\Omega_{\mu\nu} = -\omega_{\mu\nu}$

**Pauli-Dirac representation:**  $S^{0i} = \frac{i}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_i \\ \sigma_i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  (boosts)  
 $S^{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{ijk} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_k & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_k \end{pmatrix}$  (rotations)

$\rightarrow S(\Lambda)_{PD} = \sqrt{\frac{E-m}{2m}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{\vec{\sigma}\cdot\vec{p}}{E+m} \\ \frac{\vec{\sigma}\cdot\vec{p}}{E+m} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  boost to the reference frame of a particle having  $p^{\mu} = (E, \vec{p})$

**Weyl representation:**  $S^{0i} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -\sigma_i & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_i \end{pmatrix}$  (boosts)  
 $S^{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{ijk} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_k & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_k \end{pmatrix}$  (rotations)

$\rightarrow S(\Lambda)_{chiral} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-\frac{i}{2}\vec{\sigma}\cdot\vec{\phi}} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{\frac{i}{2}\vec{\sigma}\cdot\vec{\phi}} \end{pmatrix}$  boost in the direction  $\vec{\phi} = (\phi_x, \phi_y, \phi_z)$

**Chirality:** in the Weyl representation,  $\begin{pmatrix} \psi_L \\ \psi_R \end{pmatrix} = \psi_{chiral}$

$\rightarrow \psi_L, \psi_R$  are not mixed under Lorentz transformations  
 $\rightarrow$  this can be generalized by defining  $\gamma^5 = i\gamma^0\gamma^1\gamma^2\gamma^3$   
 with  $\{\gamma^{\mu}, \gamma^{\nu}\} = 0$ ,  $(\gamma^5)^2 = 1$ ,  $(\gamma^5)^{\dagger} = \gamma^5$ ,  $[S^{\mu\nu}, \gamma^5] = 0$

$\gamma_{PD}^5 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\gamma_{Weyl}^5 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$\rightarrow P_L = \frac{1}{2}(1-\gamma^5)$  and  $P_R = \frac{1}{2}(1+\gamma^5)$  project out the left-handed/right-handed chirality components

**8. Free Fermion Dirac Fields (2/2)**

**Discrete symmetries**

**Parity transformation:**  $P\psi(t, \vec{x})P = \eta_P \gamma^0 \psi(t, -\vec{x})$

**Time reversal:**  $T\psi(t, \vec{x})T = -\gamma^1 \gamma^3 \psi(-t, \vec{x})$

**Charge conjugation:**  $\psi \rightarrow \psi_c = -i\gamma^2 \psi^*(t, \vec{x})$

**CPT theorem:**  $S(CPT)\psi(x) = -\gamma_{CPT} \gamma^5 \psi^*(-x)$   
 $\rightarrow u = \bar{u}, \tau = \bar{\tau}, \mu = -\bar{\mu}$

**Hamiltonian:**  $H = \int d^3\vec{p} \sum_{s=1,2} E_p (a_s^{\dagger}(\vec{p})a_s(\vec{p}) + b_s^{\dagger}(\vec{p})b_s(\vec{p}))$   
 $\vec{P} = \int d^3\vec{p} \sum_{s=1,2} \vec{p} (a_s^{\dagger}(\vec{p})a_s(\vec{p}) + b_s^{\dagger}(\vec{p})b_s(\vec{p}))$



**Direct interaction terms**

$G = G_0 + G_{int}$ ,  $H = H_0 + H_{int}$  *direct interact. term*  
 Direct or non-derivative coupling:  $G_{int}$  does only depend on  $\phi$ , not  $\partial\phi$

**Toy Model**

$\sigma^0$  of mass  $M \rightarrow \sigma(x)$   
 $\pi^\pm$  of mass  $m \rightarrow \varphi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\phi_1 + i\phi_2)$   
 $\pi^0$  of mass  $m \rightarrow \phi(x)$

Possible interactions:  $g\phi^4, g'\sigma\phi^2, \dots, \lambda\phi^3, \lambda'\sigma\phi^2, \dots$   
 → additional constraints due to parity:  $\phi(x) \rightarrow -\phi(x)$   
 → there needs to be an even number of  $\phi(x)$  factors

Neutral decay:  $\sigma \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0$ :  $H_{int} = \lambda\sigma\phi^2(x)$

→  $S_1 = (-i) \langle q_1 q_2 | \int dx_1^4 \lambda \sigma(x_1) \phi^2(x_1) | k \rangle$   
 with  $|q_1 q_2\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^3 2E_1}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^3 2E_2}} a^\dagger(\vec{q}_1) a^\dagger(\vec{q}_2) |0\rangle$   
 $|k\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^3 2E_k}} a^\dagger(\vec{k}) |0\rangle$   
 →  $S_1 = \frac{(-2i\lambda)(2\pi)^4 \delta^4(q_1 + q_2 - k)}{iM_1} \sigma \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$  *factor of 2 since particles are indistinguishable*  
 →  $d\Gamma = \frac{\lambda^2}{32\pi^2 M} \sqrt{1 - (\frac{2m}{M})^2} d\Omega$  *two diagrams*

Charged decay:  $\sigma \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ :  $H_{int} = \lambda\sigma(\phi_1^2 + \phi_2^2) = 2\lambda\sigma(\varphi^+\varphi^-)$

→  $S_1 = -i \langle q_1 q_2 | \int dx_1^4 2\lambda\sigma(x_1) \varphi^+(x_1) \varphi^-(x_1) | k \rangle$   
 $\dots = \frac{(-2i\lambda)(2\pi)^4 \delta^4(q_1 + q_2 - k)}{iM_1} \sigma \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$   
 →  $d\Gamma = \frac{\lambda^2}{16\pi^2 M} \sqrt{1 - (\frac{2m}{M})^2} d\Omega$

Charged scattering:  $\pi^+\pi^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ :  $H_{int} = 4g(\varphi^+\varphi^-)^2$

→  $S_1 = -i \langle q_1 q_2 | \int dx_1^4 4g(\varphi^+(x_1)\varphi^-(x_1))^2 | q_3 q_4 \rangle$   
 $\dots = \frac{(-16ig)(2\pi)^4 \delta^4(q_1 + q_2 - q_3 - q_4)}{iM_1} \pi^+ \pi^- \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$   
 $H_{int} = 2\lambda\sigma(\varphi^+\varphi^-)$

→  $S_2 = \frac{(2i)^2}{2} \langle q_1 q_2 | \int dx_1^4 \int dx_2^4 T[\sigma(x_1) \varphi^+(x_1) \varphi^-(x_1) \sigma(x_2) \varphi^+(x_2) \varphi^-(x_2)] | q_3 q_4 \rangle$   
 $\dots = (-2i)^2 [\tilde{D}_F(q_1 + q_2) + \tilde{D}_F(q_1 - q_2)]$   
*virtual exchange boson*  
*→ action at a distance*

Complex scalar field:  $\langle 0 | \varphi(x) \varphi^\dagger(y) | 0 \rangle = D_F^+(x-y)$

Dirac field:  $\langle 0 | \psi(x) \bar{\psi}(y) | 0 \rangle = \begin{cases} \sum \psi^+(x) \bar{\psi}^-(y) \bar{u}^i, & x^0 > y^0 \\ -\sum \bar{\psi}^+(y) \psi^-(x) u^i, & y^0 > x^0 \end{cases} = S_F(x-y)$

**Time Evolution Operator**

Heisenberg picture:  $\phi(xM) = e^{iH(t-t_0)} \phi(t_0, \vec{x}) e^{-iH(t-t_0)}$  *operator evolves with the free Hamiltonian*  
 Interaction picture:  $\phi_I(xM) = e^{iH_0(t-t_0)} \phi(t_0, \vec{x}) e^{-iH_0(t-t_0)}$   
 →  $\phi(xM) = U^\dagger(t, t_0) \phi_I(t, \vec{x}) U(t, t_0)$  w/  $U(t, t_0) = e^{iH_0(t-t_0)} e^{-iH(t-t_0)}$   
 →  $i\partial_t U(t, t_0) = e^{iH_0(t-t_0)} H_{int} e^{-iH_0(t-t_0)} U(t, t_0)$   
 →  $U(t, t_0) = 1 - i \int_{t_0}^t dt' H_{int}(t') \cdot U(t', t_0) \xrightarrow{Dyson} U(t, t_0) = T \left[ \exp \left( -i \int_{t_0}^t dt' H_{int}(t') \right) \right]$

S-matrix:  $S := \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} U(\frac{T}{2}, -\frac{T}{2}) = U(+\infty, -\infty) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-i)^n}{n!} \int dx_1^4 \dots \int dx_n^4 T [H_{int}(x_1) \dots H_{int}(x_n)]$   
 $S^\dagger S = 1 \rightarrow$  writing  $S = 1 + iM \rightarrow M^\dagger M = 2\text{Im}\{M\}$

**Feynman Propagators**

interaction at a distance → exchange of a field quantum  
 $\phi(xM) |0\rangle = \int \frac{d^3\vec{p}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2E(\vec{p})}} a^\dagger(\vec{p}) e^{ipx} |0\rangle \rightarrow$  creates a particle at point  $x$

$D(x-y) = \langle 0 | \phi(x) \phi(y) | 0 \rangle = \int \frac{d^3\vec{p}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2E(\vec{p})} e^{-ip(x-y)}$  creates at  $y$  and annihilation at  $x$ .

$D_F(x-y) = \langle 0 | T[\phi(x)\phi(y)] | 0 \rangle = \Theta(x^0 - y^0) D(x-y) + \Theta(y^0 - x^0) D(y-x)$   
 $= i \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int \frac{d^3\vec{p}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2E(\vec{p})} \frac{e^{-ip(x-y)}}{(p^0 - E(\vec{p}) + i\epsilon)} + i \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int \frac{d^3\vec{p}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2E(\vec{p})} \frac{e^{-ip(x-y)}}{-p^0 - E(\vec{p}) + i\epsilon}$

**9. Interacting Fields and Propagator Theory**

$= i \int \frac{d^3\vec{p}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{e^{-ip(x-y)}}{p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} \rightarrow \tilde{D}_F(p) = \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}$   
 Green's function:  $(\partial^\mu \partial_\mu + m^2) i \int \frac{d^3\vec{p}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{e^{-ip(x-y)}}{p^2 - m^2} = \dots = -i \delta^4(x-y)$   
 $D_F(x-y)$

Complex field:  $D_F^+(x-y) = \langle 0 | \varphi(x) \varphi^\dagger(y) | 0 \rangle$   
 $D_F^+(x-y) = \langle 0 | T[\varphi(x) \varphi^\dagger(y)] | 0 \rangle = \int \frac{d^3\vec{p}}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-ip(x-y)} \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}$

since  $(-p^2 + m^2) \tilde{D}_F(p) = -i$  to satisfy the Green's fun. condition

Dirac Field:  $S_{\text{Dirac}}(x-y) := \langle 0 | \psi(x) \bar{\psi}(y) | 0 \rangle$   
 $S_F(x-y) := \langle 0 | T[\psi(x) \bar{\psi}(y)] | 0 \rangle$   
 Using  $(i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m) S_F(x-y) = i \delta^4(x-y)$   
 $S_F(x-y) = i \int \frac{d^3\vec{p}}{(2\pi)^3} e^{-ip(x-y)} \frac{\not{p} \gamma^\mu + m}{(p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon)} \rightarrow \tilde{S}_F(p) = \frac{i(\not{p} + m)}{p^2 - m^2} = \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2} \left( \sum_{s=1,2} u^{(s)} \bar{u}^{(s)} \right)$   
 → numerator is the sum over all internal degrees of freedom

Wick's Theorem ~ a ~ a<sup>†</sup>  
 Defining  $\phi(x) = \hat{\phi}^+(x) + \hat{\phi}^-(x) \rightarrow T[\phi(x)\phi(y)] = N[\phi(x)\phi(y)] + \dots$   
 →  $\langle 0 | \phi(x)\phi(y) | 0 \rangle = D_F(x-y)$

Wick's Theorem:  $T[\phi(x_1) \dots \phi(x_n)] = N[\phi(x_1) \dots \phi(x_n) + \text{all possible contractions}]$   
 $\phi(x)\phi(y)$



**Maxwell theory**

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \rho \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} - \dot{\vec{E}} = \vec{j}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\dot{\vec{B}} \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$$

$$\vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla} \phi - \dot{\vec{A}}$$

→ **Eisenberg-Silberstein-Abraham-Bohm effect**  
 → potentials are physical

**Covariant formulation:**

$$F^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu A^\nu - \partial^\nu A^\mu \quad \text{with} \quad F^{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -E_x & -E_y & -E_z \\ 0 & -B_z & B_y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -B_x & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and  $A^\mu = (\phi, \vec{A}) \rightarrow \partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = J^\nu, J^\nu = (\rho, \vec{j})$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Maxwell}} = \underbrace{-\frac{1}{4} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}}_{\text{Lorentz}} - \underbrace{J_\mu A^\mu}_{\text{Gauge}} \quad \text{yields} \quad \partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = J^\nu$$

**Gauge freedom**

$A^\mu \rightarrow A^\mu + \partial^\mu \lambda$  leaves  $F^{\mu\nu}$  invariant → **redundancy**

**Lorenz gauge:**

$\partial_\mu A^\mu = 0$  → reduces d.o.f. by one,  $\partial_\mu \partial^\mu \lambda = 0$  remains  
 →  $\partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu \partial^\mu A^\nu = J^\nu$

**Coulomb gauge:**

$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A} = 0$  → together with  $\partial_\mu A^\mu = 0$  follows  $A^0 = 0$

**Photon polarization states:** Photons are spin-1 particles

→ it should in principle have  $m_s = -1, 0, 1$ , but  $m_s = 0$  does not exist for massless particles. **longitudinal spin state**

How can a photon having two spin degrees of freedom be described by  $A^\mu$  having four degrees of freedom? → gauge freedom!

Lorenz gauge ( $J^0 = 0$ ):  $\partial_\mu \partial^\mu A^\nu = 0 \rightarrow A^\mu(x) = \int d^3k e^{-ikx} \epsilon^\mu(k) a(k)$   
 with  $\partial_\mu A^\mu(x) = 0 \leftrightarrow k_\mu \epsilon^\mu(k) = 0$

The transformation  $\partial_\mu \partial^\mu \lambda = 0 \rightarrow \lambda(x) = -ia e^{-ikx}$

→  $\epsilon^\mu(k) \rightarrow \epsilon^\mu(k) + a k^\mu$  remains → choose  $\epsilon^0 = 0$   
 →  $\vec{\epsilon} \cdot \vec{k} = 0$  → setting  $\vec{\epsilon} \parallel \vec{e}_z$  we get the physical polarizations

$\epsilon_{(1)}^\mu = (0, 1, 0, 0) \quad \epsilon_{(2)}^\mu = (0, 0, 1, 0)$

$\epsilon_{(3)}^\mu = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(0, 1, i, 0) \quad \epsilon_{(4)}^\mu = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(0, 1, -i, 0)$

with  $\epsilon_{\mu\nu}^* \epsilon_{\mu\nu} = -\delta_{\mu\nu}$

**Second Quantization of EM field**

$$A^\mu(x) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\omega_k}} \sum_{\lambda=1,2} (\epsilon_\lambda^\mu(\vec{k}) a_\lambda(\vec{k}) e^{-ikx} + \epsilon_\lambda^{\mu*}(\vec{k}) a_\lambda^\dagger(\vec{k}) e^{ikx})$$

with  $[a_\lambda(\vec{k}), a_{\lambda'}^\dagger(\vec{k}')] = \delta_{\lambda\lambda'} \delta^3(\vec{k}-\vec{k}')$   
 (all others zero)

→  $H = \int d^3k \omega_k \sum_{\lambda=1,2} (a_\lambda^\dagger(\vec{k}) a_\lambda(\vec{k}))$

**10. Quantum Electrodynamics (1/2)**

Photon propagator:  $G_F^{\mu\nu}(x-y) = \langle 0 | T [A^\mu(x) A^\nu(y)] | 0 \rangle$   
 $(\partial_\mu \partial^\mu \eta_{\alpha\beta} - \partial_\alpha \partial_\beta) G_F^{\mu\nu}(x-y) = i \delta^4(x-y)$

→  $\tilde{G}_F^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{k^2} C^{\mu\nu}(k)$  w/  $C^{\mu\nu}(k) = -g^{\mu\nu} + k^\mu C^\nu(k) + k^\nu C^\mu(k)$

and  $C^\mu(k) = \frac{k^\mu(-\vec{k})}{2k^2}$  (in Coulomb gauge)

generally:  $C^\mu(k) = \xi \frac{k^\mu}{2k^2} \rightarrow C^{\mu\nu}(k) = -g^{\mu\nu} + \xi \frac{k^\mu k^\nu}{k^2 + i\epsilon}$

This result is found for  $\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2(1-\xi)} (\partial_\mu A^\mu)^2$

$\xi = 1 \leftrightarrow$  Landau gauge **propagator is gauge dep.** vanishes in Landau gauge  
 $\xi = 0 \leftrightarrow$  Feynman gauge

→  $G_F^{\mu\nu}(x-y) = \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} e^{-ik(x-y)} \left( \frac{-ig^{\mu\nu}}{k^2 + i\epsilon} \right)$  (Feynman gauge)

Completeness relation:  $\sum_\lambda \epsilon_{(\lambda)}^\mu \epsilon_{(\lambda)}^\nu \leftrightarrow -g^{\mu\nu} + \xi \frac{k^\mu k^\nu}{k^2}$

↑ since we expect the numerator of the propagator to be the sum over all internal degrees of freedom

Massive vector field:  $(\partial^\mu \partial_\mu + m^2) B^\nu - \partial^\nu \partial_\mu B^\mu = J^\nu$   
 leads to  $\partial_\nu B^\nu = 0$  (free field), but there is no gauge freedom:  $B^\nu \rightarrow B^\nu + \partial^\nu \lambda$  does not leave the e.o.m. invariant!

→ massive vector particles: three polarizations  
 massless vector particles: two polarizations

Massive vector propagator:  $G_F^{\mu\nu}(x-y) = \langle 0 | T [B^\mu(x) B^\nu(y)] | 0 \rangle$

→  $(\partial_\mu \partial^\mu + m^2) \eta_{\alpha\beta} - \partial_\alpha \partial_\beta) G_F^{\mu\nu}(x-y) = i \delta^4(x-y)$

→  $\tilde{G}_F^{\mu\nu}(k) = \frac{i(-g^{\mu\nu} + \frac{k^\mu k^\nu}{k^2})}{k^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}$

**QED Lagrangian** using the minimal substitution

$p^\mu \rightarrow p^\mu - eA^\mu$  ( $i\partial^\mu \rightarrow i\partial^\mu - eA^\mu$ ) for the free Lagrangian, we obtain

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QED}} = \bar{\psi} [\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m] \psi - \frac{1}{4} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} - e \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi A_\mu$$

It is Lorentz-invariant and also gauge invariant given

$A_\mu \rightarrow A_\mu + \partial_\mu \lambda$   **$D_\mu = \partial_\mu + ieA_\mu$**

$\psi \rightarrow \psi e^{-i\lambda(x)}$

$\bar{\psi} \rightarrow \bar{\psi} e^{i\lambda(x)}$

→  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{QED}} = \bar{\psi} [\gamma^\mu D_\mu - m] \psi - \frac{1}{4} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}$

$D_\mu \psi \rightarrow (\partial_\mu + ieA_\mu + ie\partial_\mu \lambda) \psi e^{-i\lambda(x)} = e^{-i\lambda(x)} D_\mu \psi$

**Chiral structure**

$\bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi = (\bar{\psi}_R + \bar{\psi}_L) \gamma^\mu (\psi_R + \psi_L) = \bar{\psi}_R \gamma^\mu \psi_R + \bar{\psi}_L \gamma^\mu \psi_L$ , since

$\bar{\psi}_R \gamma^\mu \psi_L = (\bar{\psi}_R \gamma^\mu \gamma^5) \gamma^\mu \psi_L = \psi_R^\dagger \gamma^0 \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \psi_L = \bar{\psi}_R \gamma^\mu \psi_L$   
 $= \bar{\psi}_L \gamma^\mu \psi_R = 0 \rightarrow$  chirality is conserved at the QED vertex in the massless case!



Since  $\psi_R, \psi_L$  are treated equally, parity is conserved in QED!

**Gordon identity**

$\bar{u}(p') \gamma^\mu u(p) = \frac{1}{2m} \bar{u}(p') [ \underbrace{(p'+p)^\mu}_{\text{electric term}} + \underbrace{i\sigma^{\mu\nu}(p'-p)_\nu}_{\text{interaction of magnetic moment} \rightarrow \text{magnetic term}} ] u(p)$   
 $\uparrow \frac{1}{2} [\gamma^\mu, \gamma^\nu]$



**Towards the Feynman Rules**

For QED:  $\mathcal{H}_{int} = (e\bar{\psi}\gamma^\mu\psi)A_\mu$

$$S_1 = \frac{-ie}{1} \int dx_1^4 \bar{\psi}(x_1)\gamma^\mu\psi(x_1)A_\mu(x_1)$$

$$S_2 = \frac{(-ie)^2}{2} \iint dx_1^4 dx_2^4 T[\bar{\psi}(x_1)\gamma^\mu\psi(x_1)A_\mu(x_1)\bar{\psi}(x_2)\gamma^\nu\psi(x_2)A_\nu(x_2)]$$

→ initial states:  $|p^1, s^1\rangle = \sqrt{(2\pi)^3 2E(p^1)} u^s(p^1)|0\rangle$   $|p^2, s^2\rangle = \sqrt{(2\pi)^3 2E(p^2)} v^s(p^2)|0\rangle$   $|k^M, \epsilon^M\rangle = \sqrt{(2\pi)^3 2\omega(k)} a_\epsilon^\dagger(k)|0\rangle$

→ The S-matrix elements can be calculated using Wick's theorem with

$$\underbrace{\psi(x_1)\bar{\psi}(x_2)} \rightarrow \frac{i(\not{x}+m)}{q^2-m^2+i\epsilon}$$

$$\underbrace{A^\mu(x)A^\nu(y)} \rightarrow \frac{-ig^{\mu\nu}}{q^2+i\epsilon}$$

the photon propagator seems to couple with four degrees of freedom to the vertices, however, gauge fixing will reduce the degrees of freedom of  $q^\mu$  from four to three

→ polarizations: fermions: 2, real photons: 2, off-shell photons: 3

**Real/virtual photons, Ward identity**

$M(X \rightarrow Y + \gamma) = \epsilon_\mu^*(k) M^{\mu X Y}$   
 $M(X + \gamma \rightarrow Y) = \epsilon_\mu(k) M^{\mu X Y}$

since we have the gauge freedom  $\epsilon^\mu \rightarrow \epsilon^\mu + \partial^\mu \chi$   
 $\rightarrow k_\mu M^{\mu X Y} = 0$  for gauge invariance

(only holds for sum of all diagrams at a certain order, not for individual diagrams)

Consider now  $|E_\mu(k)M^{\mu X Y}|^2 = \epsilon_\mu^*(k)\epsilon^\mu(k)E^\mu(k)M_\mu^X M_Y$  with  $k^\mu = (\omega, 0, 0, |\vec{k}|)$  → Ward identity:  $\omega M_0 - |\vec{k}| M_3 = 0$

→ for a real photon:  $M_0 = M_3$  these are just the physical poi. we've seen before

$$\sum_{\lambda=1}^2 \epsilon_\lambda^{\mu*} \epsilon_\lambda^\nu E^\mu(k) M_\mu^X M_Y = |M_X|^2 + |M_Y|^2 = -g^{\mu\nu} M_\mu^X M_\nu^Y$$

$$\sum_{\lambda=1}^2 \epsilon_\lambda^{\mu*}(k) \epsilon_\lambda^\nu(k) \leftrightarrow -g^{\mu\nu}$$

completeness relation for a real photon

**Feynman Rules for QED**

- ▶ R1:  $\frac{i(\not{p}+m)}{p^2-m^2+i\epsilon}$
- ▶ R2:  $\frac{-ig^{\mu\nu}}{q^2+i\epsilon}$  (Feynman gauge)
- ▶ R3:  $\begin{cases} u^s(p) \text{ - incoming} \\ \bar{u}^s(p) \text{ - outgoing} \end{cases}$
- ▶ R4:  $\begin{cases} v^s(p) \text{ - incoming} \\ \bar{v}^s(p) \text{ - outgoing} \end{cases}$
- ▶ R5: The arrows on the fermion lines follow the flow of charge -e
- ▶ R6:  $\begin{cases} \epsilon_\mu(k) \text{ - incoming} \\ \epsilon_\mu^*(k) \text{ - outgoing} \end{cases}$
- ▶ R7:  $-ie\gamma^\mu$
- ▶ R8: include  $\delta^4(\sum p_i M)$  at each vertex to impose energy-momentum conservation

**10. Quantum Electro-dynamics (2/2)**

- ▶ R9: compute and assign 4-momenta of all internal propagators, choose direction of momentum flow for photon propagators
- ▶ R10: For loops:  $\int \frac{d^4q}{(2\pi)^4}$  for unconstrained mom. (-1) for fermion loops  $\text{Tr}[-\dots]$  for closed loops
- ▶ R11:  $(2\pi)^4 \delta^4(\text{Post-Fin})$  overall
- ▶ R12: add all diagrams at given order
- ▶ R13: add minus sign to diagrams that differ only in  $p_i \leftrightarrow p_i, p_f \leftrightarrow p_f, p_i \leftrightarrow \bar{p}_i$  or  $p_f \leftrightarrow \bar{p}_f$
- ▶ R14: the flavour is conserved at the QED vertex

If one includes the longitudinal polarization

$\epsilon_{(3)}^\mu = \frac{1}{m}(|\vec{k}|, 0, 0, \omega)$ , one recovers

$$\sum_{\lambda=1}^3 \epsilon_\lambda^{\mu*} \epsilon_\lambda^\nu = -g^{\mu\nu} + \frac{k^\mu k^\nu}{k^2}$$

completeness relation for a virtual photon

Note that  $k^\mu J_\mu = k^\mu \bar{u}(p_2)\gamma_\mu u(p_1) = \bar{u}(p_2)(\not{p}_2 - \not{p}_1)u(p_1) = \bar{u}(p_2)(m - m)u(p_1) = 0$  → the term  $-g^{\mu\nu} + \frac{k^\mu k^\nu}{k^2}$  does not yield a contribution!

→ real photon: longitudinal and time-like polarizations cancel

virtual photon: three physical polarization states

→ for practical purposes, the propagator can be reduced to  $-i \frac{g^{\mu\nu}}{k^2}$

Massive spin-1 fields exist →  $\epsilon_{(3)}^\mu \rightarrow \frac{E}{M}(1, 0, 0, 1)$   
 for  $E \gg M \rightarrow \sigma \sim \epsilon_{(3)}^2 \sim g^2 \frac{E^2}{M^2}$  diverges for  $E \rightarrow \infty$

↳ the longitudinal degrees of freedom are the result of spontaneous symmetry breaking and are acquired from the Goldstone bosons of the Higgs field

**Scalar QED**

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QED}} = (D_\mu\phi)^\dagger D^\mu\phi - m^2\phi^\dagger\phi - \frac{1}{4}F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu}$$

with  $D^\mu = \partial^\mu + ieA^\mu \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{int} = ieA_\mu[\partial^\mu\phi^\dagger\phi - \phi^\dagger\partial^\mu\phi] - e^2A_\mu A^\mu\phi^\dagger\phi$

- ▶ S1: 1
- ▶ S2:  $\frac{i}{p^2-m^2+i\epsilon}$
- ▶ S3:  $-ie(p_1+p_2)^\mu$
- ▶ S4:  $-2ie^2g^{\mu\nu}$

$$-iM = (ie)^2 \left[ \frac{(p_1+p_2)^\mu(p_1+p_2)^\nu}{(p_1-p_2)^2} + \frac{(p_1+p_2)^\mu(p_1+p_2)^\nu}{(p_1-p_2)^2} \right]$$

**Closed loops and self-energies**

Self-energy:  $g^{\mu\nu}$   $\tilde{G}_{1-loop}^{\mu\nu}(k^2) = \frac{-ig^{\mu\nu}}{k^2} \int \frac{d^4q}{(2\pi)^4}$

$$\text{Tr} \left[ (-ie\gamma^\mu) \frac{i(\not{q}+m)}{q^2-m^2} (-ie\gamma^\nu) \frac{i(\not{k}-\not{q}+m)}{(k-q)^2-m^2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{-ig^{\mu\nu}}{k^2} \cdot (-1)$$

Self-energy of fermion: The momentum  $k^\mu$  is unconstrained and we need to perform an integral  $\int d^4k$



**Mott Scattering**

Coulomb potential:  $A^\mu = \left(\frac{Ze}{4\pi|\vec{x}|}, 0, 0, 0\right) \rightarrow S_1 = (-ie) \int dx^4 \langle p', s' | \bar{\psi}(x) \gamma^0 \psi(x) A_0(x) | p, s \rangle$

$\rightarrow \gamma^\mu A_\mu = \gamma^0 \frac{Ze}{4\pi|\vec{x}|}$

$= \dots = -i 2\pi \delta(E-E') \frac{Ze^2}{q^2} \bar{u}^{(s')}(\vec{p}') \gamma^0 u^{(s)}(\vec{p})$

$\xrightarrow{|\vec{p}-\vec{p}'|} M$

**Solution ①:** Plug in the actual spinors  $u_p(p), u_{p'}(p')$  (see p. 7)  $\rightarrow \langle |M|^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2} (|M_{pp}|^2 + |M_{pp'}|^2 + |M_{p'p}|^2 + |M_{p'p'}|^2)$

$= 4 \frac{Z^2 e^4}{q^4} E^2 (1 - \beta^2 \sin^2(\frac{\Theta}{2}))$

$p^\mu = (E, p, 0, 0), p'^\mu = (E, p \cos \Theta, p \sin \Theta, 0)$  (elastic scattering)

**Solution ②:** Noting that  $[\bar{u}^{(s')}(\vec{p}') \gamma^\mu u^{(s)}(\vec{p})]^\dagger = \bar{u}^{(s)}(\vec{p}) \gamma^\mu u^{(s')}(\vec{p}')$

$\rightarrow \langle |M|^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \frac{Z^2 e^4}{q^4} \sum_{s=1}^2 \sum_{s'=1}^2 [\bar{u}^{(s')}(\vec{p}') \gamma^0 u^{(s)}(\vec{p})] [\bar{u}^{(s)}(\vec{p}) \gamma^0 u^{(s')}(\vec{p}')] = \frac{1}{2} \frac{Z^2 e^4}{q^4} \text{tr}((\not{p} + m_e \mathbb{1}) \gamma^0 (\not{p}' + m_e \mathbb{1}) \gamma^0 (\not{p} + m_e \mathbb{1}))$

$= 4 \frac{Z^2 e^4}{q^4} E^2 (1 - \beta^2 \sin^2(\frac{\Theta}{2}))$

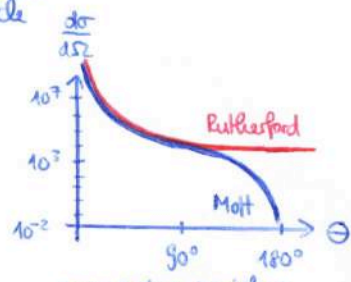
**Cross-section:**  $\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right) = \frac{(\alpha Z)^2 E^2}{4p^2 \sin^4(\frac{\Theta}{2})} (1 - \beta^2 \sin^2(\frac{\Theta}{2}))$  (fixed-target frame)

$\rightarrow$  scattering off a static potential (no recoil), where the scattered particle is a spin-1/2 Dirac particle and relativistic effects are considered

**non-relativistic limit:**  $E \rightarrow m_e, E_k = \frac{p^2}{2m_e}$

$\rightarrow \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right) = \frac{(\alpha Z)^2}{16E_k^2 \sin^4(\frac{\Theta}{2})} (1 - \beta^2 \sin^2(\frac{\Theta}{2}))$

Rutherford Spin correction



**relativistic limit:**  $E \rightarrow p, \beta \rightarrow 1$

$\rightarrow \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right) = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{\text{Rutherford}} \cdot \cos^2(\frac{\Theta}{2}) \propto \frac{1 + \cos \Theta}{(1 - \cos \Theta)^2}$

**Matrix Element**  $-iM(2\pi)^4 \delta(p_{\text{out}} - p_{\text{in}}) = \text{Feynman expr.}$

**Mandelstam Variables**  $p+k \rightarrow p'+k'$

$s = (p+k)^2 = (p'+k')^2$   
 $t = (p-p')^2 = (k-k')^2$   
 $u = (p-k')^2 = (k-p')^2$

$s+t+u = \sum_i m_i^2$   
 $E_x = \sqrt{s}$

$\rightarrow s \approx 2pk \approx 2p'k'$   
 $t \approx -2pp' \approx -2kk'$  (in the ultra-relativistic lim.)  
 $u \approx -2pk' \approx -2k'p'$

**Electron-lepton scattering**  $e^- l^- \rightarrow e^- l^-$

$\rightarrow$  Feynman rules  $\rightarrow \langle |M|^2 \rangle \rightarrow$  Casimir's trick  $\rightarrow$  trace theorems: ultrad.

$\langle |M(e^- l^- \rightarrow e^- l^-)|^2 \rangle \approx 2e^4 \left[ \frac{s^2 + u^2}{t^2} \right]$

$\left(\frac{d\sigma(e^- l^- \rightarrow e^- l^-)}{d\Omega}\right)_{\text{CMS}} = \left(\frac{\alpha^2}{2s}\right) \frac{4 + (1 + \cos \Theta)^2}{(1 - \cos \Theta)^2}$

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**General discussion**  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow e^+ e^-$

$\frac{1}{t}$  diverges for  $p \rightarrow p'$  ( $\cos \Theta \rightarrow 1$ )  
 $\frac{1}{u}$  diverges for  $p \rightarrow k'$  ( $\cos \Theta \rightarrow -1$ )

forward-peaked backward-peaked

**crossing symmetry:**

$k \rightarrow -k', k' \rightarrow p'$   
 $p' \rightarrow k, p \rightarrow p$   
 $t \rightarrow s, u \rightarrow t, s \rightarrow u$

**crossing symmetry:**

$k \rightarrow -k', k' \rightarrow -k$   
 $u \rightarrow s, s \rightarrow u, t \rightarrow t$

**Møller scattering**  $e^- e^- \rightarrow e^- e^-$

$\langle |M(e^- e^- \rightarrow e^- e^-)|^2 \rangle \approx 2e^4 \left[ \frac{s^2 + u^2}{t^2} + \frac{s^2 + t^2}{u^2} + \frac{2s^2}{ut} \right]$

$\left(\frac{d\sigma(e^- e^- \rightarrow e^- e^-)}{d\Omega}\right)_{\text{CMS}} = \left(\frac{\alpha^2}{2s}\right) \frac{(7 + \cos^2 \Theta)^2}{2 \sin^4 \Theta}$

**lepton pair creation**  $e^- e^+ \rightarrow l^- l^+$

$\langle |M(e^- e^+ \rightarrow l^- l^+)|^2 \rangle \approx 2e^4 \left[ \frac{t^2 + u^2}{s^2} \right]$

$\left(\frac{d\sigma(e^- e^+ \rightarrow l^- l^+)}{d\Omega}\right)_{\text{CMS}} \approx \left(\frac{\alpha^2}{2s}\right) \frac{(1 + \cos^2 \Theta)}{2}$

**Bhabha scattering**  $e^- e^+ \rightarrow e^- e^+$

$\langle |M(e^- e^+ \rightarrow e^- e^+)|^2 \rangle \approx 2e^4 \left[ \frac{s^2 + u^2}{t^2} + \frac{u^2 + t^2}{s^2} + \frac{2u^2}{ts} \right]$

$\left(\frac{d\sigma(e^- e^+ \rightarrow e^- e^+)}{d\Omega}\right)_{\text{CMS}} = \left(\frac{\alpha^2}{2s}\right) \frac{(3 + \cos^2 \Theta)^2}{2(\cos \Theta - 1)^2}$

**Helicity Conservation**

Consider  $e^- e^+ \rightarrow e^- e^+$  for  $E \gg m$ . One can calculate individual helicity contributions individually using Casimir's trick and  $\bar{v}(k) \gamma^\mu \left(\frac{1 \pm \not{k}}{2}\right) u(p)$

$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}(e^-_L e^-_R \rightarrow e^-_L e^-_R) = \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}(e^-_R e^-_L \rightarrow e^-_R e^-_L) = \frac{\alpha^2}{4s} (1 + \cos \Theta)^2$

$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}(e^-_R e^-_L \rightarrow e^-_L e^-_R) = \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}(e^-_L e^-_R \rightarrow e^-_L e^-_R) = \frac{\alpha^2}{4s} (1 - \cos \Theta)^2$

**Momentum:**

$t \approx -\frac{s}{2}(1 - \cos \Theta)$   
 $u \approx -\frac{s}{2}(1 + \cos \Theta)$

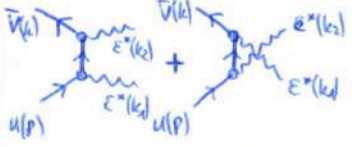
$p^\mu = (E, 0, 0, p)$   
 $k^\mu = (E, p, 0, p)$   
 $p'^\mu = (E, p' \sin \Theta, 0, p' \cos \Theta)$   
 $k'^\mu = (E, -p' \sin \Theta, 0, -p' \cos \Theta)$

$\rightarrow$  in total:  $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha^2}{4s} (1 + \cos^2 \Theta)$

$\Theta = 0$  \Theta = \pi



**Pair annihilation**  $e^-e^+ \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma$

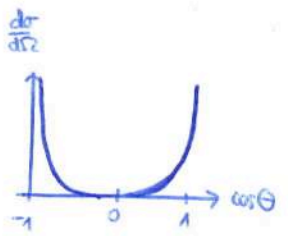


ultrarel.  $\langle |M|^2 \rangle \approx 2e^4 \left[ \frac{u}{t} + \frac{t}{u} \right]$

Ward identity:  $k_{1\nu} M^{\mu\nu} = k_{1\nu} M_1^{\mu\nu} + k_{1\nu} M_2^{\mu\nu} = 0$

$k_{2\mu} M^{\mu\nu} = k_{2\mu} M_1^{\mu\nu} + k_{2\mu} M_2^{\mu\nu} = 0$

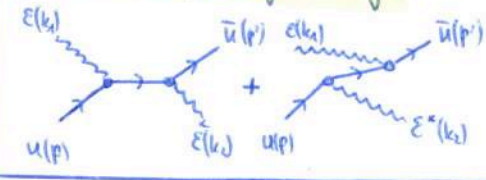
Using Casimir's trick and  $\sum_{\lambda=1}^2 \epsilon_{\lambda}^{\mu} \epsilon_{\lambda}^{\nu} = -g^{\mu\nu}$



ultrarel.  $\frac{d\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)_{\text{low}}}{d\Omega} \approx \frac{\alpha^2}{s} \left( \frac{1+\cos^2\Theta}{\sin^2\Theta} \right)$

$\frac{d\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)_{\text{low}}}{d\Omega} \approx \frac{\alpha^2}{4m_e p}$   
 → isotropic distribution

**Compton Scattering**  $e\gamma \rightarrow e\gamma$



Klein-Nishina:

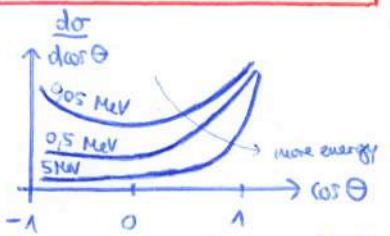
$\left( \frac{d\sigma(e\gamma \rightarrow e\gamma)}{d\Omega} \right)_{\text{lab, unpol.}} = \frac{r_e^2}{2} \left( \frac{k'}{k} \right)^2 \left[ \frac{k'}{k} + \frac{k}{k'} - \sin^2\Theta \right]$

electron radius  $r_e = \frac{\alpha}{m_e}$   
 momentum of outgoing  $\gamma$   
 momentum of incoming  $\gamma$

Compton:

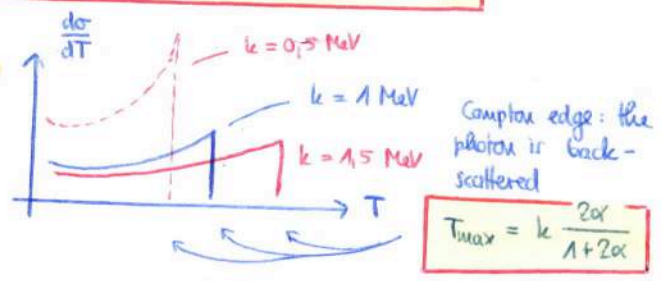
$\left( \frac{d\sigma(e\gamma \rightarrow e\gamma)}{d\cos\Theta} \right)_{\text{lab, unpol.}} = \pi r_e^2 \frac{1}{|1+\alpha(1-\cos\Theta)|^2} \left[ 1+\cos^2\Theta + \frac{\alpha^2(1-\cos\Theta)^2}{1+\alpha(1-\cos\Theta)} \right]$

describes the scattering of quasi-free atomic electrons → incoherent scattering



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$\left( \frac{d\sigma}{dT} \right) = \frac{\pi r_e^2}{m_e \alpha^2} \left[ 2 + \frac{x^2}{\alpha^2(1-x)^2} + \frac{x}{1-x} \left( x - \frac{2}{\alpha} \right) \right]$



$T_{\text{max}} = k \frac{2\alpha}{1+2\alpha}$

$\sigma_{\text{tot}}(k) = \int_{T_{\text{min}}}^{T_{\text{max}}} dT \left( \frac{d\sigma}{dT} \right) = 2\pi r_e^2 \left[ \frac{(\alpha^2 - 2\alpha - 2)}{2\alpha^2} \ln(1+2\alpha) + \frac{\alpha^3 + 9\alpha^2 + 8\alpha + 2}{9\alpha^4 + 9\alpha^3 + \alpha^2} \right]$

- high energies:  $k \rightarrow \infty, \alpha \gg 1: \sigma_{\text{tot}} \rightarrow 0$
- low energies:  $k \rightarrow 0, \alpha \rightarrow 0: \sigma_{\text{tot}} = \frac{8}{3} \pi r_e^2$

Thomson scattering: incoherent scattering of photons by free electron in the classical limit

for  $k \leq 100 \text{ eV}$ , the binding energy of the atomic electrons must be taken into account:

$\left( \frac{d\sigma}{dT} \right) = \left( \frac{d\sigma}{dT} \right) \cdot S(k, k')$  ← scattering function

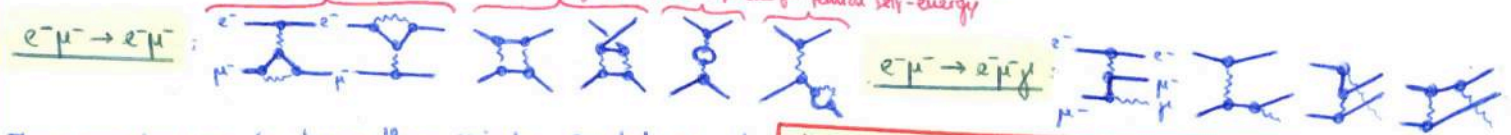
Rayleigh scattering: coherent scattering of photons by the whole atom



**Loop Contributions** We've seen that QFT predictions can be found perturbatively:  $S = 1 + S_1 + S_2 + \dots$

with  $S_i \sim e^{2i} \sim \alpha^i$  ( $\rightarrow$  since  $\alpha \approx \frac{1}{137}$ , we can do perturbation theory). The error of calculation can be determined via  $|P(\alpha^{(n-1)}) - P(\alpha^{(n)})|$ .

In addition to the tree-level diagrams, we always get higher-order corrections:



These corrections can be larger than naively expected due to **ultraviolet, infrared or collinear singularities**.

**Soft Photons**



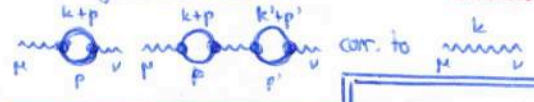
$$M(p, k) = iM_0(p, k) \frac{\not{p} - \not{k} + m_e}{(p-k)^2 - m_e^2} (-iz\mu) u(p, s) \epsilon_\mu^*(k)$$

$$\approx -e \left( \frac{p \cdot \epsilon^*}{p \cdot k} \right) M_0(p) u(p, s) \text{ for } |k| \ll |p| \text{ (soft-photon limit)}$$

$\rightarrow$  the correction becomes large for  $p \cdot k \rightarrow 0$

- $\triangleright |k| \rightarrow 0$ : **infrared divergence**  $\rightarrow$  momentum threshold (sum over soft photon contrib and add an overall soft-photon correction)
- $\triangleright k \parallel p$  and  $E_p \gg m_e$ : **collinear divergence**  $\rightarrow$  angle threshold

**Self-energy of the photon**



photon propagator correction

$$\tilde{G}_{F,1-L}^{\mu\nu} = \left( \frac{-ig^{\mu\nu}}{k^2} \right) (-1) \int \frac{d^4p}{(2\pi)^4} \text{Tr} \left[ (ie\gamma_\alpha) \frac{-i(\not{k} + \not{p} + m)}{(k+p)^2 - m^2} (ie\gamma_\beta) \frac{-i(\not{p} + m)}{p^2 - m^2} \right] \left( \frac{-ig^{\alpha\beta}}{k^2} \right)$$

$$\tilde{G}_{F,2-L}^{\mu\nu} = (-2) \tilde{G}_F^{\mu\nu}(k) \Pi_{\alpha\beta}^{\mu\nu}(k) \tilde{G}_F^{\alpha\beta}(k) \Pi_{\beta\delta}^{\mu\nu}(k) \tilde{G}_F^{\delta\gamma}(k) \tilde{G}_F^{\gamma\mu}(k)$$

$$ie^2 \Pi_{\alpha\beta}^{\mu\nu}(k)$$

**Renormalization**

In order to get finite predictions from the theory, we have to deal with the infinities that occur in a consistent way  $\rightarrow$  **renormalization**

The electroweak theory and QCD are renormalizable, there are two schemes: the **minimal subtracted scheme** and the  **$\alpha$ -shell renormalization scheme**

Renormalization gives finite observables at the energy scales we are interested in without knowing the exact details of the theory at very high energies.

**Electric charge renormalization:**  $e_0, M_0$  are the bare parameters that show up in the Lagrangians,  $e, \mu$  are the values we can measure.

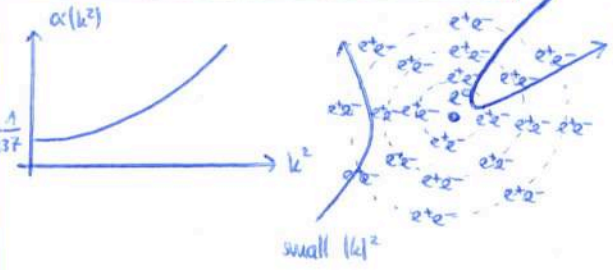
We tune  $e_0$  such that we find the right  $e$ :

$$e = e_0 \left[ 1 - \frac{e_0^2}{12\pi^2} \ln \left( \frac{\Lambda^2}{m_e^2} \right) \right]$$

The dependence on  $k$  remains:

$$e(k^2) = e(0) \left[ 1 + \frac{e^2(0)}{12\pi^2} f \left( -\frac{k^2}{m_e^2} \right) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^2) \right]$$

$$\alpha(k^2) = \alpha(0) \left[ 1 + \frac{\alpha(0)}{3\pi} f \left( -\frac{k^2}{m_e^2} \right) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^2) \right]$$



**12. QED Radiative Corrections (1/2)**

$$\Pi_{\alpha\beta}^{\mu\nu}(k) \sim \int d^4p \frac{p^2}{p^2} \sim \int dp \cdot p \sim p^2 \rightarrow \infty$$

**ultraviolet divergence**

$\rightarrow$  in order to calculate  $\Pi_{\mu\nu}^{\alpha\beta}$ , we need to introduce some regularization:

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu}^{\alpha\beta}(k, \Lambda) = i \int \frac{d^4p}{(2\pi)^4} \text{Tr} \left[ \dots \right] \frac{\Lambda^4}{(\Lambda^2 - p^2)^2}$$

**cutoff:** we basically exclude the contrib. at very high energy, or these are anyways unknown

generally:  $\Pi_{\mu\nu}^{\alpha\beta}(k, \Lambda) = g^{\alpha\beta} B_{00}(k^2, \Lambda) + k^\alpha k^\beta B_{11}(k^2, \Lambda)$

with  $B_{00}(k^2, \Lambda) = A_0(\Lambda) + k^2 A_1(\Lambda) + k^4 A_2(k^2, \Lambda)$

$\rightarrow \Lambda^2 \rightarrow \log \Lambda \rightarrow \text{finite}$

does not contribute to a typical vector current

Here  $ie^2 \Pi_{\alpha\beta}^{\mu\nu}(k, \Lambda) = -ig^{\alpha\beta} k^2 \left[ \left( \frac{\alpha}{3\pi} \right) \left( \log \left( \frac{\Lambda^2}{m_e^2} \right) - f \left( -\frac{k^2}{m_e^2} \right) \right) \right]$

with  $f(x) = 6 \int_0^1 dz z(1-z) \log(1+xz(1-z)) \rightarrow \begin{cases} \log x, & x \gg 1 \\ \frac{x}{5}, & x \ll 1 \end{cases}$

$$\tilde{G}^{\mu\nu}(k, \Lambda) = \left( \frac{-ig^{\mu\nu}}{k^2} \right) \left[ 1 - \frac{\alpha}{3\pi} \left( \log \left( \frac{\Lambda^2}{m_e^2} \right) - f \left( -\frac{k^2}{m_e^2} \right) \right) \right]$$

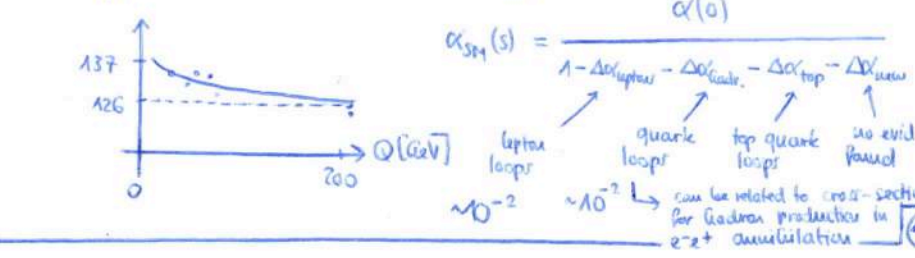
**Experiment:** To get real values,  $\alpha$  is measured at a given  $\alpha(p^2)$

$$\alpha(Q^2) = \alpha(\mu^2) \left[ 1 + \frac{\alpha(\mu^2)}{3\pi} \log \left( \frac{Q^2}{\mu^2} \right) + \dots \right] = \frac{\alpha(\mu^2)}{1 - \frac{\alpha(\mu^2)}{2\pi} \log \left( \frac{Q^2}{\mu^2} \right)}$$

$\rightarrow$  tests are interesting to see whether the concepts of renormalization hold

$$\alpha(Q^2 \approx 0) = \frac{1}{137.036 \pm 0.000000032} \approx 10^{-2}$$

(measured in  $e^+e^-$  collisions)  $\rightarrow$  DORIS, PEP, TRISTAN, LEP





**Self-energy of the electron**



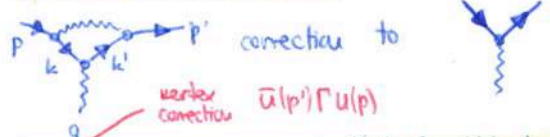
$$\hat{S}_{F, A=1}(p) = \frac{i(p+m)}{p^2-m^2} \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \left[ (-i\gamma^\mu) \frac{i(p-k+m)}{(p-k)^2-m^2} (-i\gamma^\mu) \frac{-i\cancel{q}\cancel{p}}{k^2} \right] \frac{i(p+m)}{p^2-m^2}$$

fermion propagator correction

$$ie^2 \Sigma^{A=1}(p)$$

$\Sigma^{A=1}(p) \sim \int d^4k \frac{k}{k^4} \sim \int dk \sim k \rightarrow \infty$  **ultraviolet divergence**

**QED vertex corrections**



$$\Gamma_{A=1}^{\mu} = \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{-ig\gamma^\mu}{(k-p)^2} (-i\cancel{e}\gamma^\nu) \frac{i(\cancel{k}+m)}{(k^2-m^2)} \gamma^\mu \frac{i(\cancel{k}+m)}{(k^2-m^2)} (-i\cancel{e}\gamma^\nu)$$

generally:  $(i)\bar{u}(p')\Gamma^{\mu}u(p) = \bar{u}(p')\left[\gamma^{\mu}F_1(q^2) + \frac{1}{2m}\sigma^{\mu\nu}q_{\nu}F_2(q^2)\right]u(p)$  with  $\sigma^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2}[\gamma^{\mu}, \gamma^{\nu}]$

structure factor

Here:  $F_1(q^2) = 1 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha, q^2)$   $F_2(q^2) = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha, q^2)$

$(i)\bar{u}(p')\Gamma^{\mu}u(p) = (i)\bar{u}(p')\left[\frac{1}{2m}(p'+p)^{\mu} + \frac{1}{2m}\left(1 + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi}\right)\sigma^{\mu\nu}q_{\nu} + \dots\right]u(p)$

we again introduce a cutoff to be able to calculate the propagator:

$$\Sigma_{A=1}(p, \Lambda) = i \int \frac{d^4k}{(2\pi)^4} \dots \left[ \frac{\Lambda^2}{k^2 + \Lambda^2} \right]$$

generally:  $\Sigma_{A=1}(p, \Lambda) = A_0(\Lambda) + (p-m)A_1(\Lambda) + (p-m)^2A_2(p, \Lambda)$

We get a term  $\bar{u}(p)A_0(\Lambda)u(p)$ , which is equivalent to adding  $A_0(\Lambda)$  to the mass: **do not contribute to  $\bar{u}(p)\Sigma_{A=1}u(p)$**

$$m = m_0 + \bar{u}(p)A_0(\Lambda)u(p)$$

Here:  $\delta m = ie_0^2 \Sigma_{A=1}(\Lambda) = \left(\frac{3\alpha}{2\pi}\right) m_0 \log\left(\frac{\Lambda}{m_0}\right)$

**12. Radiative Corrections (2/2)**



**QED Breakdown** Assumption: QED embedded in a more general theory characterized by an as yet inaccessible energy region  $\rightarrow$  initial "cutoff"  $\Lambda$  up to which the theory is holding

**Excited electron model:** Electron Gas inner structure  $\rightarrow$  vertex  $e^*e^*$

$$G_{int, e^*} = \frac{e}{2\Lambda} \bar{\psi}_e \sigma^{\mu\nu} \psi_e F_{\mu\nu} + G.c.$$

$$\Lambda = \frac{m_e \lambda_c}{\lambda}$$

General class of BSM models:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu\mu) = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{QED} \left[1 \pm \frac{s^2}{2\Lambda^2} \sin^2\theta\right]$$

**Lepton Colliders**  $e^+e^-$  accelerators: **SPEAR, PEP, SLC, DORIS, PETRA, TRISTAN, LEP**

Advantages: collider setup  $\rightarrow$  high  $\sqrt{s}$   
 $e^+e^- \rightarrow$  clean collisions

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Interactions:  $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$ ,  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-/\tau^+\tau^-$ ,  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu\mu$ ,  $e^+e^- \rightarrow qq \rightarrow$  hadrons  
 $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-f\bar{f}, \dots$

- Detectors:**
- ① **Tracking:** measure points along trajectories of charged particles ( $\rightarrow$  number, point of origin, direction of travel, momentum)
  - ② **Electromagnetic Calorimetry:** photon/electron  $\rightarrow$  electromagnetic cascade  $\rightarrow$  total energy can be inferred alternating layers of high Z/low Z materials
  - ③ **Hadronic Calorimetry:** estimate total energy of all particles, more material used  $\rightarrow$  even hadrons will cascade into lower energy particles
  - ④ **Muon Detectors:** placed around all previous elements  $\rightarrow$  only reached by very penetrating particles like muons
  - ⑤ **Particle Identification:** to identify charged and long-lived particles: measure p and v  
 $\rightarrow$  Cherenkov counters,  $\frac{dE}{dx}$ , time of flight over known distances, ...

**Testing QED and Electroweak effects**

QED embedded in electroweak theory  
 $\rightarrow$  contributions become relevant for  $s, q^2 \sim M_Z^2$

For  $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$   
 $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$   
 $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu\mu$

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{meas} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right)_{QED, Born} (1 + \delta_{radcorr.} + \delta_{electroweak})$$

at the  $\sim 1\%$  level before LEP, SLC  
*exp. agree very well with QED  $\rightarrow$  no effect of weak theory established*

**13. Tests of QED at High Energy**

**Bhabha Scattering**  $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$  shows large t-channel contributions for small angles

$\rightarrow$  determine the luminosity in  $e^+e^-$  experiments

**Background:**  $e^+e^- \rightarrow$  hadrons: not all energy is deposited in electromagnetic calorimeter  
 $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-e^+e^-$   
 $\tau^+\tau^- \rightarrow e^+e^- + \nu$ : no collinearity, momentum missing

$e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu\mu$ : tough, since  $\mu$  can change to  $e^+$   $\rightarrow$  needs to be cancelled on a statistical basis

QED predictions agree very well with experiments  $\rightarrow$  composite structure of  $e^-$  can be excluded to  $10^{-18}m$

**Total cross-section**  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$

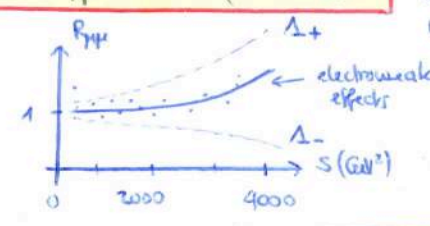
$$\sigma_{tot}(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-) = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{3s}$$

$\rightarrow$  it is  $\frac{85.8 \text{ nb}}{E_s^2 (\text{GeV}^2)}$  if there were new physics

from phase-space factor and thus generally true for processes involving point-like initial state particles  
 $\rightarrow$  luminosities of colliders must increase with energy

$$R_{\mu\mu}(s) := \frac{\sigma_{\mu\mu}(s)}{\sigma_{\mu\mu}^{QED}(s)} = \left(1 \mp \frac{s}{s - \Lambda_{\pm}^2}\right)^2$$

lower bounds for  $\Lambda_{\pm}$  of 250 GeV were found



no significant deviations from QED were found

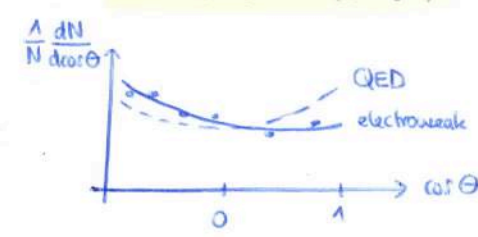
**Forward-Backward Asymmetry**  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta} = \frac{\pi\alpha^2}{2s} [R_{\mu\mu}(1 + \cos^2\theta) + B\cos\theta]$$

Theory:  $A_{FB} = \frac{\int_{\cos\theta > 0} d\Omega \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} - \int_{\cos\theta < 0} d\Omega \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}}{\int d\Omega \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}}$

$\rightarrow$  easy to compute/measure

Experiment:  $A = \frac{N(\theta < 90^\circ) - N(\theta > 90^\circ)}{N(\theta < 90^\circ) + N(\theta > 90^\circ)}$



provided strong support for the predictions of the electroweak theory

**Photon pair production**  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu\mu$

provides a **clean test of QED** as the contributions from the electroweak theory are small  
 at higher energies, Bremsstrahlung becomes relevant, hence studies have been extended to  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu\mu(\mu\gamma)$

$$\Lambda_+ > 321 \text{ GeV}, \Lambda_- > 282 \text{ GeV}, m_{\mu^*} > 283 \text{ GeV}$$

(at 95% CL)



**Magnetic Moment of Dirac Particle** Using minimal substitution for the Dirac Hamiltonian:

$i\partial_t \psi = (\vec{\alpha} \cdot (\vec{p} - e\vec{A}) + \beta m + e\phi) \psi \rightarrow$  Ansatz  $\psi(x) = e^{-imx^0} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_A(x) \\ \psi_B(x) \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow i\partial_t \psi_A \approx \left( \frac{(\vec{p} - e\vec{A})^2}{2m} - \frac{e}{2m} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{B} \right) \psi_A(x)$   
 low-energy limit

$-\frac{e}{m} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{B} = \underbrace{-2}_{g_{Dirac}} \underbrace{\frac{e}{2m}}_{\mu_B} \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}}_S \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{B}$  true for a "bare" point-like Dirac particle

$g_{Dirac} = 2$   $\rightarrow$   $\vec{\mu}_{Dirac} = g_{Dirac} \mu_B \vec{S}$

$g$ -factor, Landé factor or dimensionless magnetic moment

**Electron Magnetic Moment**

**Precession Experiments:** observation of spin precession of polarized electrons ( $\mu_{e^-}$ ) in a constant magnetic field

Cyclotron motion:  $\omega_c = \frac{1}{\gamma} \frac{eB}{m}$  Spin motion (Larmor precession):  $\omega_s = \frac{g}{2} \gamma \omega_c + (1-\gamma) \omega_c$

$\omega_D \equiv \omega_s - \omega_c = \frac{g-2}{2} \omega_c$  anomalous magnetic moment

Spin precesses with  $\omega_s$ , velocity precesses with  $\omega_c$

$\rightarrow$  increase T for more precision  
 $\rightarrow$  in practice, one also needs an electric field to keep electrons on their tracks  $\rightarrow$  BMT equation

**Resonance Experiments:** confinement of low-energy (0.01-10eV) electron in a Penning trap

axial magnetic field:  $\vec{B} = B_0 \hat{z} \rightarrow$  radial confinement  
 electric quadrupole field:  $V(r,z) = \left( \frac{V_0}{r_0^2} \right) \left( \frac{r^2}{2} - z^2 \right) \rightarrow$  axial confinement

Three decoupled harmonic oscillations:

- cyclotron  $\omega_B = \omega_c - \omega_{EB} \sim 12 \text{ GHz}$
- axial  $\omega_E \sim 40 \text{ MHz}$
- drift of cyclotron orbit center  $\omega_{EB} \sim 70 \text{ kHz}$

$\omega_0 = \frac{eB}{m}$   $\omega_E = \sqrt{\frac{2eV_0}{m r_0^2}}$

$\omega_{EB} = \frac{\omega_0}{2} - \sqrt{\frac{\omega_0^2 - \omega_E^2}{4}} \approx \frac{\omega_E^2}{2\omega_0}$

$E(\mu_B, \mu_E, \mu_{EB}, S_z) = (\mu_B + \frac{1}{2}) \omega_B + (\mu_E + \frac{1}{2}) \omega_E - (\mu_{EB} + \frac{1}{2}) \omega_{EB} - (1+a) \omega_0 S_z$

$\rightarrow$  to measure  $a$ , measure  $\omega_c - \omega_B$  ( $\Delta m_0 = \pm 1, \Delta S_z = \mp 1$ ) and either  $\omega_c$  or  $\omega_0 \rightarrow$  to know  $\vec{B}$

**Muon Magnetic Moment** Difference between  $a_e, a_\mu$  stems from the dependence of the vacuum polarization terms on the mass of the fermion

**11. Tests of QED at Low Energy (1/2)**

pointed due to muon spin selection  
 electron emitted above a certain energy contains information about the spin direction  $\rightarrow$  more electrons are emitted in spin direction

$\vec{w}_a = \vec{w}_l - \vec{w}_c = \frac{e}{\mu_\mu} \left[ q_\mu \vec{B} - q_\mu \frac{\vec{p}}{\gamma+1} \frac{(\vec{p} \cdot \vec{B})}{p} - \left( q_\mu - \frac{1}{\gamma-1} \right) (\vec{p} \times \vec{E}) \right]$

$\rightarrow$  expression for  $\vec{w}_a$  more complicated, since there is a superposition of an electric and a magnetic field ( $\rightarrow$  BMT formula)

$\vec{w}_a|_{magic} = q_\mu \frac{e\vec{B}}{\mu_\mu}$ , where the magic momentum is defined via  $q_\mu - \frac{1}{\gamma^2-1} = 0$

Value: The measurements of  $a_e$  were always in good agreement with the theoretical predictions.

$a_e(\text{theo.}) = A_e \left( \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \right)^2 + \dots + E_e \left( \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \right)^5 + \dots$  Dyson expansion up to fifth order!

$= 0.00115965218091(25)_{De(23)} E_e(16)_{\text{theo}}(763)_{EW}$

$a_e(\text{exp}) = 0.00115965218091(26)$  ( $2 \cdot 10^{-10}$  relative precision)

$a_\mu(\text{theo.}) = 0.0011659418(8)$  ( $7 \cdot 10^{-7}$  relative precision)

$\rightarrow$  QED, hadronic, weak contributions

$\rightarrow$  either from  $e^+e^- \rightarrow$  hadrons (dispersion integral) or use data from  $\tau \rightarrow$  hadrons decays together with conserved vector current hypothesis and appropriate isospin correction

$a_\mu(\text{exp}) = 0.0011659208(6)$  ( $5 \cdot 10^{-7}$  relative precision)

$\rightarrow$   $2.7\sigma / 1.4\sigma$  discrepancy between experiment and theory!

**Bound States - Hydrogenic Atoms**

**Hydrogenic atoms:** Hydrogen, positronium, muonium, pionic Hydrogen, muonic Hydrogen  
 $(e^+p)$   $(e^-e^+)$   $(e^-p)$   $(\pi^+p)$   $(\mu^+p)$

**Atomic states:**  $n^{2s+1} X_J$   $\leftarrow$  S, P, D, F, G, ...

- Atomic structure of Hydrogen:**
- Boloh levels** ( $n$ ): - classical QM, - Coulomb potential
  - Dirac fine structure** ( $n, j$ ): - rel. correction, - spin-orbit coupling, - Darwin term
  - Lamb shift:** -  $g_e \neq 2$ , - screening effects  $\rightarrow E_{2S_{1/2}} \neq E_{2P_{1/2}}$
  - Hyperfine splitting:** - nuclear spin interacting with orbital and electron spin

**Dirac fine structure**  $H_{DC} = \vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{p} + \beta m A + V(r) A$  with  $V(r) = -\frac{Ze^2}{4\pi r}$

$\rightarrow$  introducing spherical harmonics spinors:  $E_{nj} = m \left[ 1 + \frac{Z^2 \alpha^2}{(n - (j+1/2) + \sqrt{(j+1/2)^2 - Z^2 \alpha^2})^2} \right]^{-1/2}$

$\rightarrow$  Expanding in powers of  $\alpha$ :  $E_{nj} \approx m \left[ 1 - \frac{Z^2 \alpha^2}{2n^2} - \frac{(Z^2 \alpha^2)^2}{2n^4} \left( \frac{j+1/2}{n} - \frac{3}{4} \right) + \dots \right]$

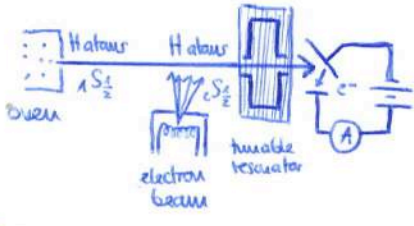
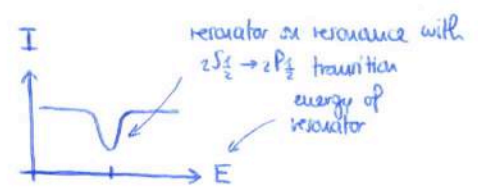
does not include the Lamb shift

rest energy    Bohr levels    fine structure splitting



**The Lamb Shift** QED is needed to explain the Lamb shift.

1938:  $2P_{1/2} \rightarrow 2S_{1/2}$  showed larger separation than predicted by Dirac theory  
 1947: energy difference between  $2S_{1/2}, 2P_{1/2}$  measured by Lamb and Retherford



The resonator can induce  $2S_{1/2} \rightarrow 2P_{1/2}$   
 → if the atoms are in the  $2P_{1/2}$  state here, they decay to the ground state before lifting the foil, otherwise they liberate electron from the foil by Auger emission.  $2S_{1/2} \rightarrow 1S_{1/2}$  prohibited

**Positronium**  $\mu = \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2} = \frac{m_e}{2}$  for positronium, hence  $m_c \rightarrow \frac{m_e}{2}, E_n \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} E_n, a_0 \rightarrow 2a_0$

Since positronium is free of finite-size effects, it has proven to be an ideal and clean system for testing the accuracy of bound state QED calculations

Ortho- vs. para-positronium: Ortho:  $(\uparrow\uparrow),$  para:  $(\uparrow\downarrow)$

$$\Delta E_{P-P_s} = -\frac{1}{64} m\alpha^4 - \frac{1}{4} m\alpha^4$$

$$\Delta E_{O-P_s} = -\frac{1}{64} m\alpha^4 + \frac{1}{4} m\alpha^4 + \frac{1}{12} m\alpha^4$$

$$\Delta E_{HFH} = -\frac{7}{12} m\alpha^4$$

Lifetime calculations:  $P = (-1)^{l+1}, C = (-1)^{l+s}$  }  $CP = (-1)^{s+1} \quad (u\gamma) = (-1)^u$   
 relativistic correction, spin-spin coupling, emission and re-absorption of a virtual photon

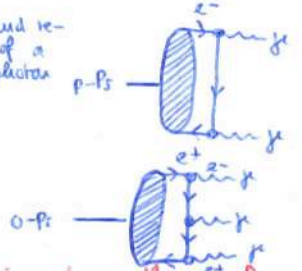
$p-P_s \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$   
 $o-P_s \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\gamma$

Wheeler-Priemle:  $\Gamma(P_s \rightarrow u\gamma) = \frac{1}{2j+1} |\phi(0)|^2 (4\pi\omega \sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow u\gamma))$

scattering process

$$\Gamma^{th}(p-P_s \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = \frac{\alpha^5 m_e}{2} \approx 8032,5 \mu s^{-1}$$

$$\Gamma^{th}(o-P_s \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\gamma) = \frac{2}{3}(\pi^2 - 9) \frac{\alpha^6 m_e}{\pi} \approx 7,211 \mu s^{-1}$$



O-Ps lifetime puzzle: Theoretical predictions for the lifetime of o-Ps used to be different from the measurements, but now there is an excellent agreement:

**14. Tests of QED at Low Energy (2/2)**

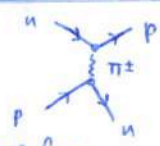
→ o-Ps lives ~1000 times longer than p-Ps, since the latter has an additional factor of  $\alpha$  in  $\Gamma$  and a reduced phase space

excellent agreement:  $\Gamma^{exp}(o-P_s) = 7,0404(10) \text{ stat} (\delta)^{stat} \mu s^{-1}$



**Meson** what holds nuclei together?  
 → strong force postulated

Yukawa: meson as gauge boson for strong force  
 with screened Coulomb potential  $U(r) \propto g^2 \frac{e^{-\lambda r}}{r}$   
 $\lambda \approx \frac{1}{2\hbar m}$  for strong force →  $\text{cut} \approx \lambda^{-1}$  and  
 $\Delta E \approx \hbar \omega \rightarrow m_{\pi^\pm} \approx 100 \text{ MeV} \rightarrow m_e < m_{\pi^\pm} < m_p, m_n$   
 → hence the name meson



**Cosmic Rays** Energy Spectrum follows a power law:  $\Phi_p(E) \propto E^{-2.7}$

**Hadronic shower cascade:**  $NN \rightarrow NN + \pi N$   
 $\pi \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma \rightarrow e^-, e^+, \dots$   
 $\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu \rightarrow e^+ + \nu_e + \bar{\nu}_\mu$   
 $\pi^- \rightarrow \mu^- + \bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow e^- + \bar{\nu}_e + \nu_\mu$

vertical intensity vs atmospheric depth graph showing muons and electron/positrons. Cosmic rays mostly consist of muons at the ground.

The higher a muon energy, the higher the probability that it reaches the surface before decaying.

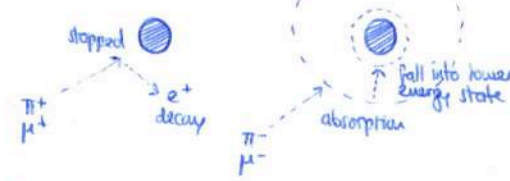
**Pion or Muon Capture**

Positive particles are repelled by nuclei, but negative particles can be captured  
 interactions between the nucleus and the captured particle takes place

$r(z) = \left( \frac{m_e}{m_{\text{particle}}} \right) \frac{\alpha_0 u^2}{z}$  very close to nucleus

- pions: strong interaction
- muons:  $\mu^- + p \rightarrow n + \nu_\mu (+\gamma)$

$\tau^{-1} = \tau_{\text{decay}}^{-1} + \tau_{\text{capture}}^{-1}$  → negative particles have a shorter lifetime



**Isospin Symmetry**

$M_n - M_p = 1.3 \text{ MeV}$  (due to  $u \rightarrow p + e + \bar{\nu}_e$  possible)

$I = \frac{1}{2}$   $p = |\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\rangle$   $n = |\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle$   
 analogous to spin-1/2 representation

SU(2)-symmetry:  $\begin{matrix} u & \xrightarrow{I_3} & p \\ -\frac{1}{2} & & +\frac{1}{2} \end{matrix}$   
 the strong force has this SU(2) symmetry  
 $I_\pm = \frac{1}{2}(I_1 \pm iI_2)$

Similarly:  $I = 1$   $\pi^+ = |1, 1\rangle$   $\pi^0 = |1, 0\rangle$   $\pi^- = |1, -1\rangle$

**Discovery of  $\pi^\pm$**

Cosmic rays: muon discovered → is it the meson?  
 Anderson, Nedetzky, Street, Stevenson  
 Chambers, Panchisi, Piccini

$\mu^\pm$ :  $m_\mu \approx 105 \text{ MeV}$   
 $\tau = 2.2 \mu\text{s}$   
 $\text{Br}(\mu^- \rightarrow e^- + \bar{\nu}_e + \nu_\mu) \approx 100\%$

magnetized iron plates  
 Absorber

- negative  $\mu$  not absorbed as fast as it should be by Carbon
- no difference between positive/neg. particles

Nucleus and pion belong to separate isospin multiplets:  
 $B=0, I(JP) = 1(0^-) : \pi^\pm, \pi^0$   
 $B=1, I(JP) = \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}^+) : p, n$

**15. Hadrons (W2)**

Gell-Mann:  $Q = \frac{B}{2} + I_3$

Addition: consider  $\pi^+ + p \rightarrow \pi^+ + p$   
 $\pi^- + p \rightarrow \pi^- + p$   
 $\pi^0 + p \rightarrow \pi^0 + p$

$|1, 1\rangle \otimes |\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\rangle = |\frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\rangle$   
 $|1, -1\rangle \otimes |\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}|\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle - \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}|\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle$   
 $|1, 0\rangle \otimes |\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}|\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}\rangle$

Bussell, Fowler, Perkins, Lattes, Occhialini

Photographic emulsion of cosmic rays at high altitudes  
 → recording of  $\pi^\pm$  tracks → "stars" following the capture of the meson: nucleus blasted apart

**Strangeness:** more particles discovered in Wilson chamber and cloud chamber:  $K^\pm, K^0, \bar{K}^0, K_s^0, K_l^0, \Lambda^0, \Sigma^\pm, \Sigma^0$

Strange particles could be copiously produced in strong interactions, however, they decayed with  $\tau \approx 10^{-8} \text{ s}$  instead of  $\tau \approx 10^{-23} \text{ s}$

$m_\pi > m_\mu \rightarrow$  it is a new particle!

$\pi^\pm$ :  $m_{\pi^\pm} = 140 \text{ MeV}$   
 $\tau = 2.6 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ s}$   
 $\text{Br}(\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu) \approx 100\%$

Gell-Mann:  $Q = I_3 + \frac{B}{2} + \frac{S}{2}$  → strangeness

$\pi, p, n : S = 0$   
 $K^+, K^0 : S = 1$   
 $K^-, \bar{K}^0, \Lambda, \Sigma^\pm, \Sigma^0 : S = -1$

→ strange particles always produced in pairs

Studies of hadronic reactions produced by synchro-cyclotron  
 $p + C \rightarrow \dots + \pi^0$   
 →  $\gamma\gamma$  (only occur above 200 MeV)

$\tau_{\text{EM}} (10^{-16} \text{ s}) \ll \tau_{\text{weak}} (10^{-8} \text{ s}) \ll \tau_{\text{strong}} (10^{-6} \text{ s})$

$\pi^0$ :  $m_{\pi^0} = 135 \text{ MeV}$   
 $\tau = 8.5 \cdot 10^{-17} \text{ s}$   
 $\text{Br}(\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) \approx 99\%$

**Anti-Baryon** B conservation → baryon can only be produced in pairs

$p + \bar{p} \rightarrow \pi^+ X$  in target config.:  $E^* = \sqrt{2M_p^2 + 2M_p E_A} > 4M_p \rightarrow T_p > 6M_p$

Background:  $p + \bar{p} \rightarrow p + \pi^+ X$  → rejected via velocity: at  $p = 1.2 \text{ GeV}$ :  $\beta_p \approx 0.78$ ,  $\beta_\pi \approx 0.99$   
 → velocity cut in Cherenkov counter + time-of-flight measurement

Anti-neutron:  $p + \bar{p} \rightarrow n + \bar{n}$   
 $\bar{p} \rightarrow \pi^+ + \pi^0 + \pi^- + \dots$   
 $\bar{p} + \pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + e^+$

Anti-Lambda:  $\pi^- + p \rightarrow \Lambda^0 + \bar{\Lambda}^0 + u$  **Bevatron**

**Spin and parity of pion**

Deuteron ( $p+n$ ):  $J^P = 1^+, I = 0, E \approx 2.2 \text{ MeV}$   
 The bound neutron cannot decay via  $n \rightarrow p + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e$ , since  $2M_p + m_e > m_d$   
 Excited states of d do not exist

$\pi^+ + d \rightarrow p + p$   
 $\sigma(p + p \rightarrow \pi^+ + d) = \frac{3}{4}(2S_\pi + 1) \frac{P_\pi^2}{P_p^2} \rightarrow S_\pi = 0$  →  $\pi^\pm$  is a pseudoscalar meson:  $J^P = 0^-$

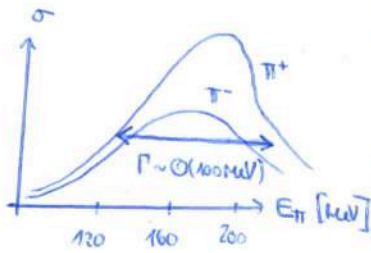
$\pi^- + d \rightarrow n + n$   
 $\pi^- - d \rightarrow n + n \rightarrow P_\pi = -1$   
 $J = 1$  Gauge exchange symmetry  $(-1)^{J+1}(-1)^L = (-1) \rightarrow L+S$  even  
 →  $S = 1$  and  $L = 1$  only possibility to have  $J = 1$



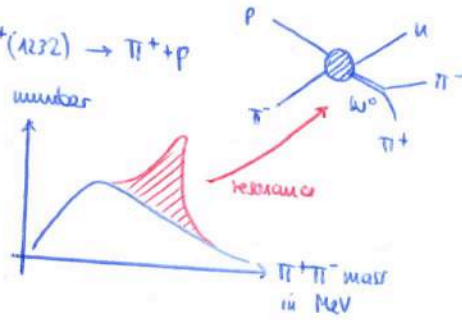
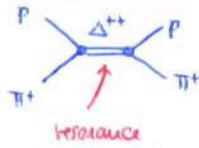
## Resonances

$\sigma(\pi^+p) \gg \sigma(\pi^-p)$  for  $E_\pi > 150$  MeV  $\rightarrow$  resonance could be due to an unstable particle with

$$\tau \approx 10^{-23} \text{ s} \rightarrow \Delta E \Delta t \approx \hbar \rightarrow \Gamma \approx \frac{\hbar}{\tau} = \mathcal{O}(100 \text{ MeV})$$



Excited nucleus:  $\pi^+ + p \rightarrow \Delta^{++}(1232) \rightarrow \pi^+ + p$



$\rightarrow$  in general, resonances turn up as peaks in  $w^2 = (p_1 + p_2)^2$

$\rightarrow$  many new hadrons were found

## Breit-Wigner

Stable particles:  $\psi(\vec{x}, t) = e^{-iEt} \psi(\vec{x})$

Unstable particles:  $\psi(\vec{x}, t) = e^{-iE_P t} e^{-\frac{\Gamma}{2} t} \psi(\vec{x})$

$\rightarrow$  Fourier transform:  $\psi(E) = \frac{\psi(\vec{x})}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{i}{(E - m_P) + i\frac{\Gamma}{2}}$

$$P(E) = \frac{\Gamma}{(E - m_P)^2 + \frac{\Gamma^2}{4}}$$

$\rightarrow$  mass of an unstable particle is not sharp  $\rightarrow$  natural linewidth

$$\sigma(s) \propto \frac{1}{(s - m_P^2)^2 + m_P^2 \Gamma^2}$$

Replace  $m_P \rightarrow m_P - i\frac{\Gamma}{2} \rightarrow \dots$

$$\tilde{D}_F(p, m_P, \Gamma) = \frac{1}{p^2 - m_P^2 + i m_P \Gamma}$$

propagator of a resonance

## Decays

$\triangleright$  strong:  $I, I_3$  conserved  
hadronic final states

$\triangleright$  electromagnetic:  $I, I_3$  not conserved  
photons / charged lepton-  
antilepton pairs in final state

$\triangleright$  weak:  $I, I_3$  not conserved  
flavour may change  
neutrinos in final state

$\pi^0, \eta, \sigma \rightarrow$  decay via  $\gamma$

$\pi^\pm, K^\pm, K^0, \Lambda, \Sigma^\pm, \Xi, \Omega \rightarrow$  decay via  $W^\pm$

15. Hadron (2/2)