The Nobel Prize 2013 in Physics

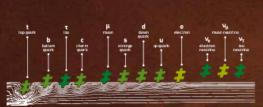
Here, at last!

François Englert and Peter W. Higgs are jointly awarded the Nobel Prize in Physics 2013 for the theory of how particles acquire mass. In 1964, they proposed the theory independently of each other (Englert did so together with his now-deceased colleague Robert Broutl. In 2012, their ideas were confirmed by the discovery of a so-called Higgs particle, at the CERN laboratory outside Geneva in Switzerland.

The awarded mechanism is a central part that describes how the world is constructed. According to the Standard Model, everythingconsists of just a few building blocks: matter particles which are governed by forces mediated by force particles. And the entire Standard Model also rests on the existence of a special kind of particle: the Higgs particle.

The Higgs particle is a vibration of an invisible field that fills up all space. Even when our universe seems empty, this field is there. Had it not been there, nothing of what we know would exist because particles acquire mass only in contact with the Higgs field. Englert and Higgs proposed the existence of the field on purely mat hematical grounds, and the only way to discover it was to find the Higgs particle.

The Nobel Laureates probably did not imagine that they would get to see the theory confirmed in their lifetimes. To do so required an erormous effort by physicists from all over the world. Almost half a century after the proposal was made, on July 4, 2012, the theoretical prediction could celebrate its biggest triumph, when the discovery of the Higgs particle was announced



Matter particles acquire mass in contact with the invisible field that fills the whole universe. Particles that are not affected by the Higgs field do not acquire mass, those that interact acquire mass from the field, and if it suddenly disappeared, all matterwould collapse as the speed of light. The weak force carriers, Wand Zparticles, get their masses directly through the Higgs mechanism, white the origin of the

spontaneous symmetry breaking. Our universe was probably born symmetrical (1), with a zero value for the Higgs field in the lowest energy state - the vacuum. But less than one bittionth was broken spontaneously as the lowest energy state moved away (2) from the symmetrical zero-point. Since then, the value of the Higgs

Potential energy of the Higgs field



ATLAS

in the collision

The Particle Collider LHC

Protons - hydrogen nuclei - travel at almost the speed of light in opposite directions inside the (Large Hadron Collider) is the largest and most complex machine ever constructed by humans In order to find a trace of the Higgs particle, two

François Englort

What's the Matter?!



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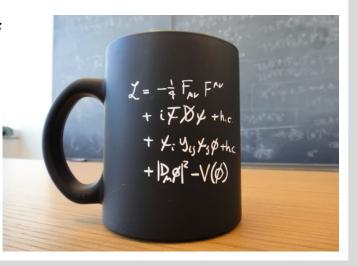
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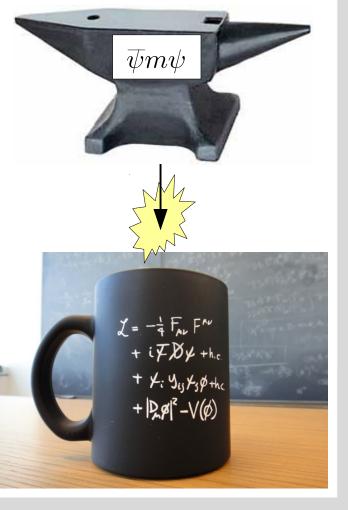
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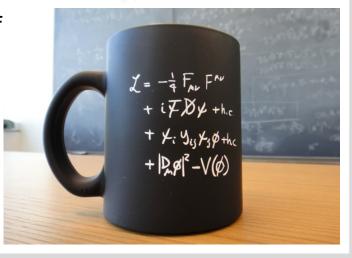
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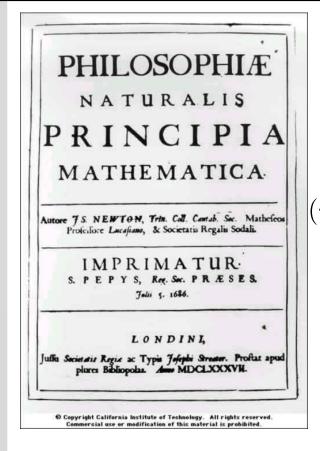
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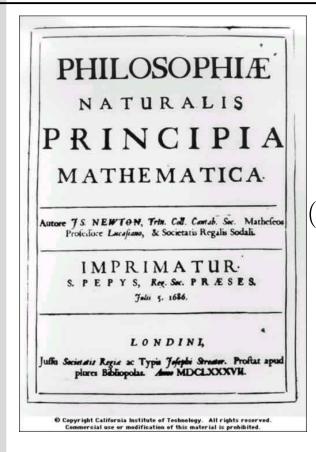
Newton's law of gravitation:

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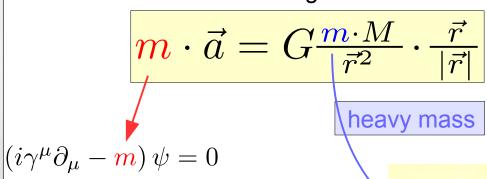
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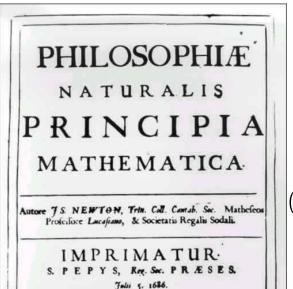
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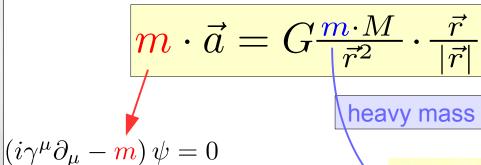


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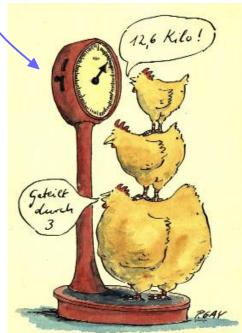


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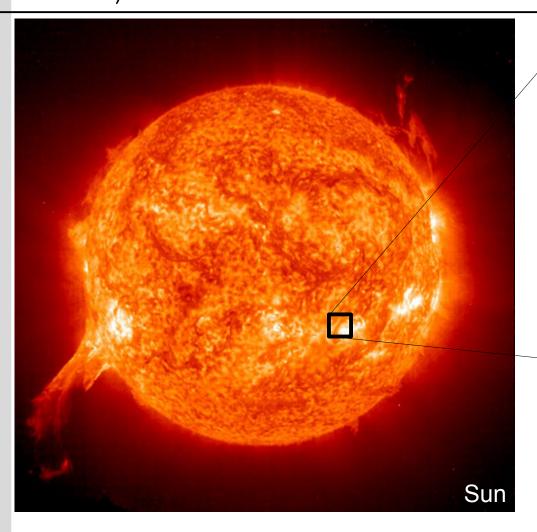
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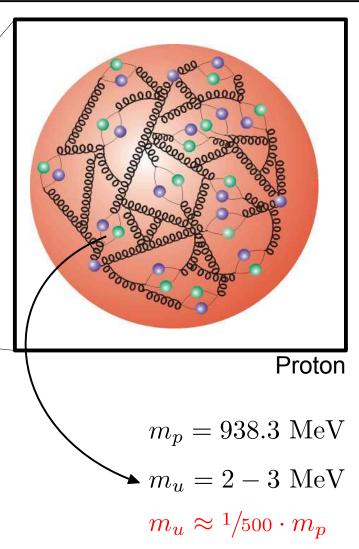


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So, what's the importance then of m?!?



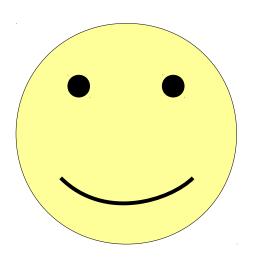
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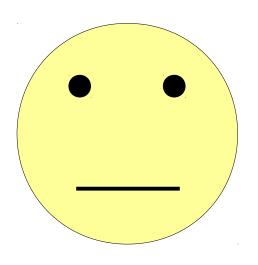


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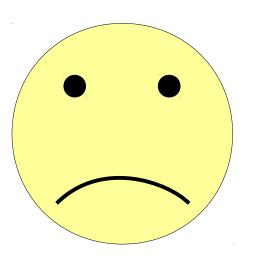


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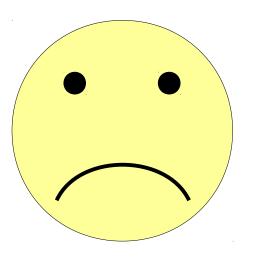


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Vorlesung Teilchenphysik II – Higgsphysik



- Vorlesung: 2 SWS, Übungen 1 SWS.
- Wahlfach im Masterstudium Physik, als Teilmodul eines Vertiefungs- bzw Ergänzungsfaches (6 LP) mit mündlicher Modulprüfung
- Lehrveranstalltung: 4022181.
- Einordnung in Studiengang: Master Physik, Bereich Teilchenphysik.
- Leistungspunkte: 6.
- Semesterwochenstunden: 2+1=3.
- Literatur: siehe Modulhandbuch. Weitere interessante Literatur wird in den jeweiligen Vorlesungen bekannt gegeben.
- Details entnehmen Sie bitte aus dem vorliegenden Modulhandbuch

Lecture Program



 Recall of prerequisites: Dirac-Eq, Klein-Gordon Eq, local gauge invariance (1 lecture, today)

Review of what all this is about: SM of particle physics (1 lecture).

Spontaneous symmetry breaking, Higgs mechanism (1 lecture).

Lagrangian → observable (1 lectures).

Accelerator/experiment → measurement (3 lectures).

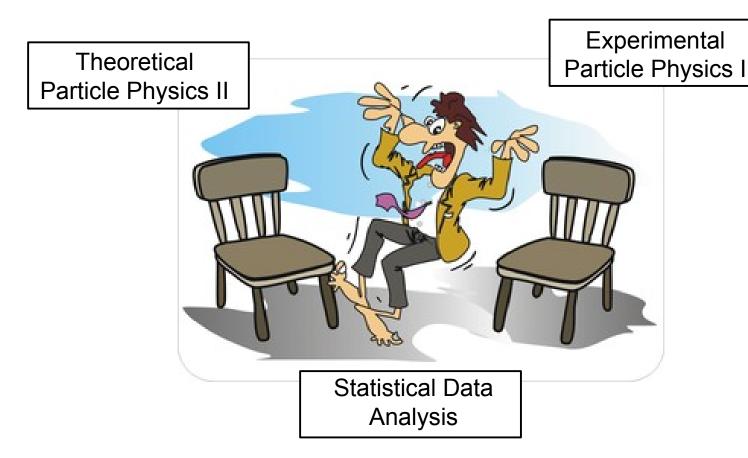
What we knew before the advent of the LHC (1 lecture).

Higgs discovery & properties known by today (1 lectures).

Higgs future and spinning around... (1 lectures).

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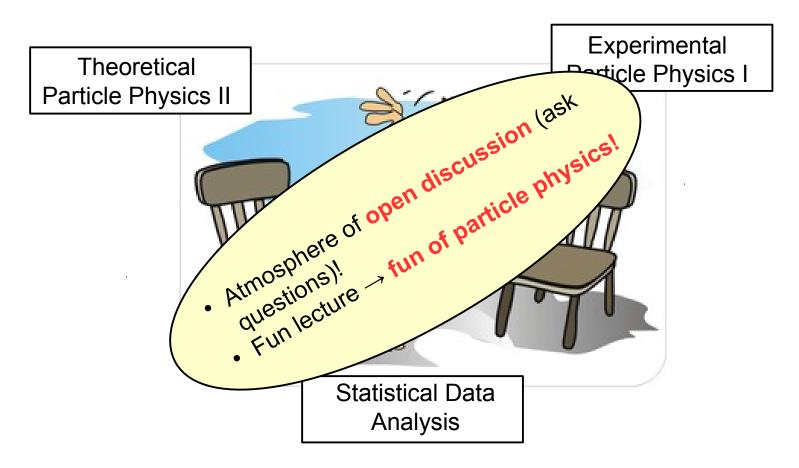




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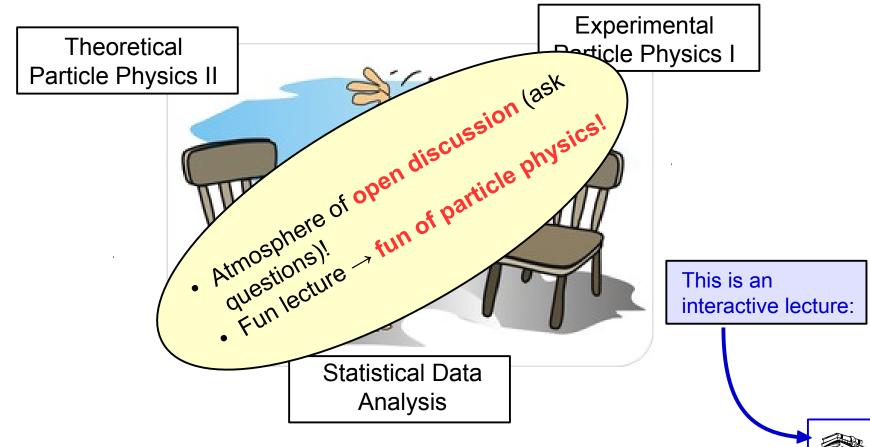




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Reprise of Relativistic Quantum Mechanics, Lagrange Formalism & Gauge Theories

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Schedule for Today



Lagrange Formalism & Gauge Transformations:

- Global / Local Gauge Transformations
- (Free) Gauge Fields

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Bosons & Fermions

(1)

Review of Relativistic QM:

- Klein-Gordon Eq
- Dirac Eq

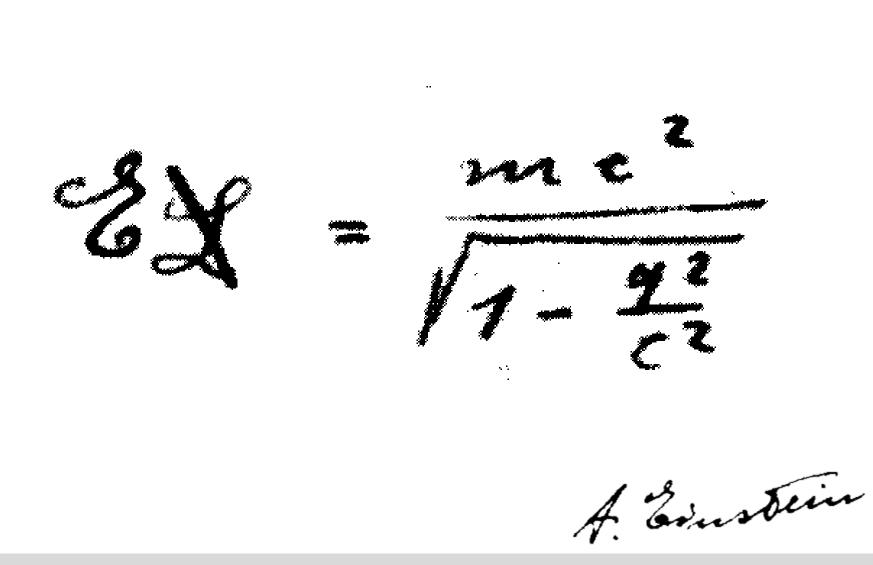
Quiz of the Day



- What is the difference between a scalar, a Lorentz vector and a spinor?
- What is the meaning of local gauge invariance?
- How do I know that a gauge boson is a boson?

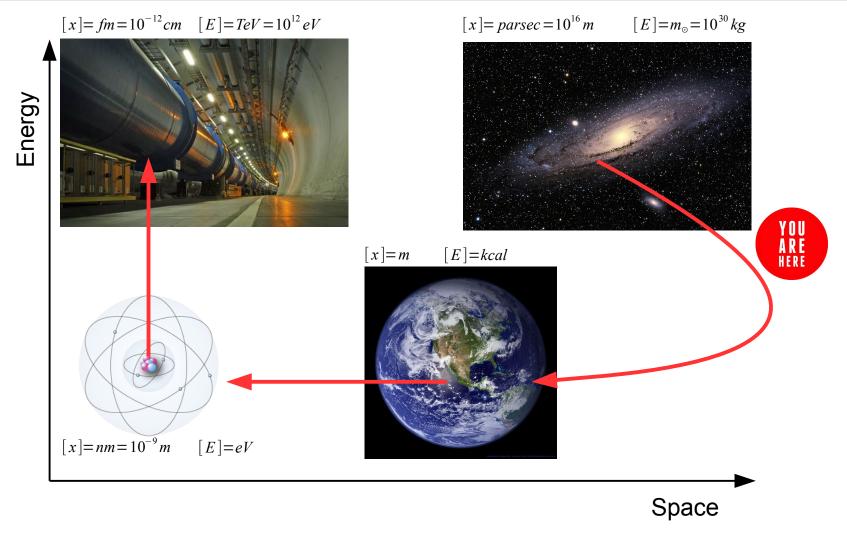
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Scales: Between Cosmos & Particle Physics





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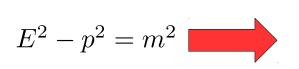
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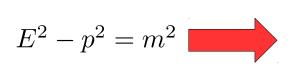
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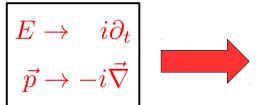


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Dirac Equation: Motivation



Historical approach by Paul Dirac 1927:

Find representation of relativistic dispersion relation, which is linear in space time derivatives:

$$i\partial_t \psi = \hat{H}_0 \psi = \left(-i\vec{\alpha}\vec{\nabla} + \beta m\right)\psi$$

- Cannot be pure numbers. Algebraic operators.
- Need four independent operators.

Require Klein-Gordon Eq to be fulfilled for a free Dirac particle:

$$\begin{split} (i\partial_t)^2 \, \psi &= \left(-i\vec{\alpha}\vec{\nabla} + \beta m \right)^2 \psi \\ &= \left[-\left(\alpha_i \alpha_j + \alpha_j \alpha_i \right) \partial_i \partial_j - im \left(\alpha_i \beta + \beta \alpha_i \right) \partial_i + \left(\beta m \right)^2 \right] \psi \stackrel{!}{=} \left[-\vec{\nabla}^2 + m \right] \psi \\ &\{ \alpha_i, \alpha_j \} = 2\delta_{ij} \qquad \{ \alpha_i, \beta \} = 0 \qquad \beta^2 = 1 \qquad \stackrel{\textit{Anti-Commutator}}{\textit{Relations}}. \end{split}$$



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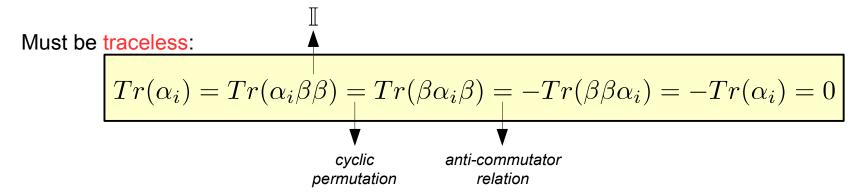
Must be traceless:

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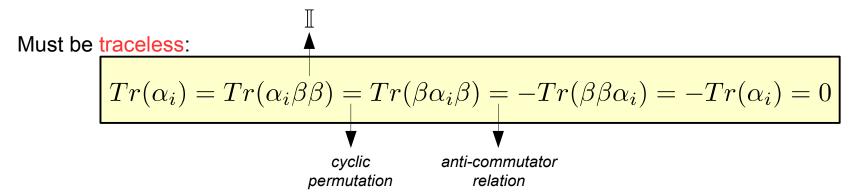
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Must have at least dim=4:

- $\alpha_i^2 = \mathbb{I} \to \text{has only eigenvectors } \pm 1.$
- $\beta^2 = \mathbb{I} \to \text{has only eigenvectors } \pm 1.$
- Dimension must be even to obtain 0 trace.
- \mathbb{I} + Pauli matrices (\mathbb{I} , σ_i) form a basis of the space of 2×2 matrices. But \mathbb{I} is not traceless (\rightarrow no chance to obtain four independent(!) traceless matrices).
- Simplest representation must at least have dim=4 (can be higher dimensional though).

Dirac Equation: Concrete Representations



• α_i and β matrices (in *Dirac* representation):

$$\beta = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\alpha_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_i \\ \sigma_i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$eta=egin{pmatrix}1&0\0&-1\end{pmatrix}$$
 $lpha_i=egin{pmatrix}0&\sigma_i\\sigma_i&0\end{pmatrix}$ ($\sigma_i(i=1,2,3)$ are the Pauli Matrices)

• γ^{μ} matrices:

$$\gamma^0 \equiv \beta$$

$$\gamma^i \equiv \beta \alpha_i$$



$$\gamma^0 \equiv \beta \qquad \gamma^i \equiv \beta \alpha_i \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \{\gamma^\mu, \gamma^\nu\} = 2g^{\mu\nu}$$

(Compact Notation of Algebra)

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$$\begin{split} \mathbb{I}_4 & \text{1 matrix} \\ \gamma^\mu & \text{4 matrices} \\ \sigma^{\mu\nu} \equiv \frac{i}{2} \left[\gamma^\mu, \gamma^\nu \right] & \text{6 matrices} \\ \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 & \text{4 matrices} \\ \gamma^5 \equiv \frac{i}{4!} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu \gamma^\rho \gamma^\sigma \text{1 matrix} \end{split}$$

- Basis of 4 × 4 matrices.
- Orthonormal (with product $< .|.> = \frac{1}{4}Tr(...)$).
- Traceless (apart from \mathbb{I}_4).

Dirac Equation: Solutions



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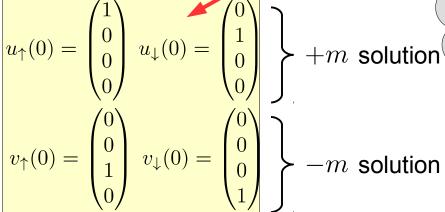
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at rest: $\vec{p} \equiv 0$



These are spinors! What makes a spinor a spinor?

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(Lorentz Transformation)

in motion: $\vec{p} \neq 0$

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- $\psi^{\alpha}(x^{\mu})$ is a non-observable object.
 - Rotation of 2π around spacial quantization axis turns $\psi^{\alpha}(x^{\mu}) \rightarrow -\psi^{\alpha}(x^{\mu})$.

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 (Adjoint Spinor)

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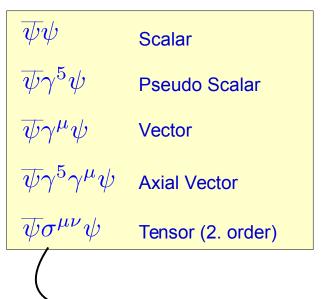


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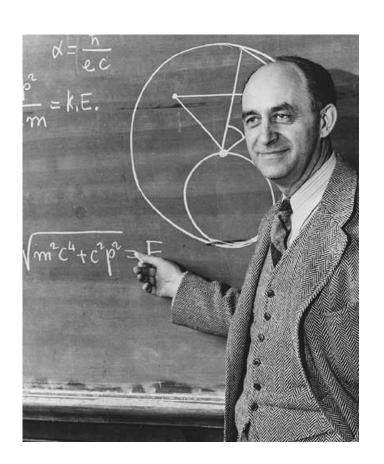
➤ These can be observables

Bosons & Fermions





Satyenda Nath Bose (*1. January 1894, † 4. February 1974)



Enrico Fermi (*29. September 1901, † 28. November 1954)

Bosons

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Multi-particle systems

- Symmetric wave functions.
- Bose-Einsten statistics
- More than one particle can be described by single wave function (e.g. ...?!?).

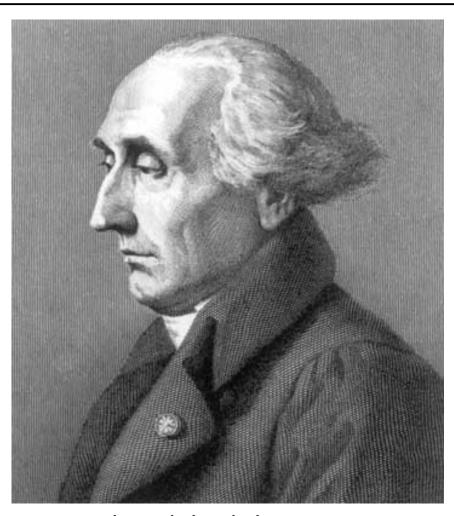
- Anti-symmetric wave functions.
- Fermi statistics.
- Each particle occupies unique place in phasespace (*Pauli Principle*).



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Lagrange Formalism & Gauge Transformations



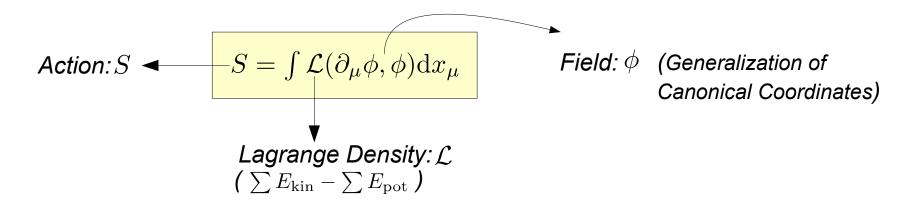


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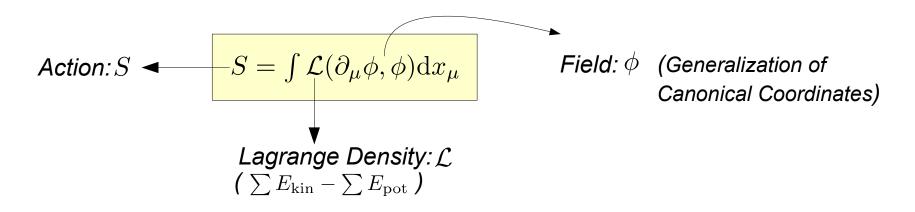
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Lagrange Density for Free Bosons & Fermions



For Bosons:

$$\mathcal{L} = \partial_{\mu}\phi\partial^{\mu}\phi^* - m^2\phi\phi^*$$

For Fermions:

$$\mathcal{L} = \overline{\psi} \left(i \gamma^{\mu} \partial_{\mu} - m \right) \psi$$

• Proof by applying *Euler-Lagrange Formalism* (shown only for Bosons here):

- NB:
 - There is a distinction between $\partial_{\mu} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial(\partial_{\mu}\phi)}$ and $\partial^{\mu} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial(\partial^{\mu}\phi^*)}$.
 - Most trivial is variation by $\overline{\psi}$, least trivial is variation by $\psi.$



Global Phase Transformations



• The Lagrange density is covariant under global phase transformations (shown here for the fermion case only):

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(Global Phase Transformation)

$$\vartheta \neq \vartheta(\vec{x},t)$$

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- Here the phase ϑ is fixed at each point in space \vec{x} at any time t .
- What happens if we allow different phases at each point in (\vec{x}, t) ?

Glocal Phase Transformations



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(local Phase Transformation)

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Connects neighboring points in (\vec{x}, t)

Breaks invariance due to ∂_{μ} \longrightarrow $\frac{\psi(x+\Delta x)-\psi(x)}{\Delta x}$ in \mathcal{L} .

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$$A_{\mu} \rightarrow A'_{\mu} = A_{\mu} + \frac{1}{e} \partial_{\mu} \vartheta$$
 — known from electro-dynamics!



Gauge Field



- Possible to allow arbitrary phase ϑ of $\psi(\vec{x},t)$ at each individual point in (\vec{x},t)
- Requires introduction of a mediating field A_{μ} , which transports this information from point to point.

$$\frac{\psi(\vec{x},t)}{\vartheta(\vec{x},t)} \bullet^{e} - \frac{A_{\mu}}{} - e \bullet \frac{\psi(\vec{x'},t')}{\vartheta(\vec{x'},t')}$$

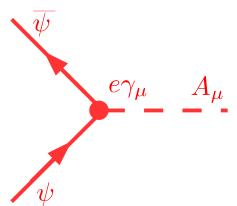
- The gauge field A_{μ} couples to a quantity e of the spinor field $\psi(\vec{x},t)$, which can be identified as the electric charge of the fermion.
- The gauge field A_{μ} can be identified with the photon field.

Interacting Fermion



 Introduction of covariant derivative leads to Lagrange density of interacting fermion with electric charge e:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{IA}} = \overline{\psi} \left(i \gamma^{\mu} (D_{\mu} - m) \, \psi
ight) \ = \overline{\psi} \left(i \gamma^{\mu} \ \partial_{\mu} - m \right) \psi + e \overline{\psi} \gamma^{\mu} A_{\mu} \psi$$
 Free Fermion Field IA Term



• For completion the dynamics for a free gauge boson field (=photon) are missing.

Free Gauge Field



Ansatz:

$$F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu}A_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu}A_{\mu}$$

(Field-Strength Tensor)

Motivation:



Variation of the action integral

$$S = \delta \int (-m \mathrm{d}s - eA_{\mu} \mathrm{d}x^{\mu})$$

in classical field theory, leads to

$$m \frac{dv^{\mu}}{ds} = e(\partial_{\mu}A_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu}A_{\mu})v^{\nu}$$

Can also be obtained from:

$$F_{\mu\nu} = (\partial_{\mu}A_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu}A_{\mu}) = \frac{i}{e}[D_{\mu}, D_{\nu}]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\rm kin} = \frac{1}{4} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}$$

(Free Photon Field)



- $F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu}$ is Lorentz invariant.
- A_{μ} appears quadratically \rightarrow linear appearance in variation that leads to equations of motion (\rightarrow superposition of fields).
- $F_{\mu\nu}$ is gauge invariant.



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(Interacting Fermion)

• Variation of $\overline{\psi}$:

$$i\gamma^{\mu} \left(\partial_{\mu} - m\right)\psi + e\gamma^{\mu}A_{\mu}\psi = 0$$

Derive equations of motion for an interacting boson.



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• Variation of A_{μ} :

$$\begin{split} \partial_{\mu} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_{\mu} A_{\nu})} &= \partial_{\mu} F^{\mu\nu} = 0 \\ \partial_{\mu} \left(\partial^{\mu} A^{\nu} - \partial^{\nu} A^{\mu} \right) &= \left(\partial_{\mu} \partial^{\mu} A_{\mu} - \partial^{\nu} \partial_{\mu} A^{\mu} \right) = 0 \\ \partial_{\mu} A^{\mu} &= 0 \end{split} \qquad \text{(Lorentz Gauge)}$$

$$(\partial_{\mu}\partial^{\mu} - 0) A_{\mu} = 0$$

(Klein-Gordon Equation for a massless particle)



Concluding Remarks



- Principle of local gauge invariance leads to structure for particle interaction that corresponds to QED.
- Gauge invariance is a geometrical phenomenon.
- Explicitly shown that the gauge field is a boson with zero mass.

Sneak Preview for Next Week



- Simple phase transformations $e^{i\vartheta}$ correspond to the U(1) symmetry group.
- Discuss how local gauge invariance requirements corresponding to more complex symmetry groups will lead to the wealth of possible interactions in the SM.
- Short sketch of the SM (emphasize electroweak sector, still w/o masses).

Further Reading



- Bjorken/Drell "Relativistic Quantum Mechanics".
- Aichinson/Hey: "Gauge Theories and Particle Physics (Volume 1)".
- Lifschitz/Landau: "Classical Field Theory (Volume 2 of lectures)".