

The Standard Model of Particle Physics

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Elementary Particles ^{above} (before EW symmetry breakdown)

| Particle Type | Field | Color | Weak Isospin | Hypercharge | # of real fields |
|-------------------------|--|-------|-------------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Fermions (spin = 1/2) | $Q_k = \begin{pmatrix} u_{Lk} \\ d_{Lk} \end{pmatrix}$ | 3 | 2 | 1/6 | $6 \times 2 \times 2$ |
| | u_{Rk} | 3 | 1 | 2/3 | $3 \times 2 \times 2$ |
| | d_{Rk} | 3 | 1 | -1/3 | $3 \times 2 \times 2$ |
| | $L_k = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{Lk} \\ l_{Lk} \end{pmatrix}$ | 1 | 2 | -1/2 | $2 \times 2 \times 2$ |
| | l_{Rk} | 1 | 1 | -1 | $1 \times 2 \times 2$ |
| Gauge bosons (spin = 1) | A_μ^a <small>a=1...8</small> | | W_μ^i <small>i=1,2,3</small> | B_μ | $(8+3+1) \times 2$ |
| Higgs boson (spin = 0) | ϕ | 1 | 2 | -1/2 | $2 \times 2 = 4$ |

Notes:
 - $k=1,2,3$ (generation, family, flavor)
 - \downarrow spin
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$SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$: gauge symmetry

All the above elementary particles are massless above the EW symmetry breaking except the Higgs boson.

Elementary particles (below EW symmetry breakdown scale : $v = 246 \text{ GeV}$)

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| Fermions (spin = 1/2) | u, c, t | 3 | 2/3 | } quarks |
| | d, s, b | 3 | -1/3 | |
| | ν_e, ν_μ, ν_τ | 1 | 0 | } leptons* |
| | e, μ, τ | 1 | -1 | |
| Gauge bosons (spin = 1) | $A_\mu^a (a=1\dots 8)$ | 8 | 0 | gluons |
| | W_μ^\pm | 1 | ± 1 | } weak bosons |
| | Z_μ | 1 | 0 | |
| | A_μ | 1 | 0 | photon |
| Higgs boson (spin = 0) | H | 1 | 0 | Higgs boson |

* γ -mixing appears @ EFT

$SU(3)_c \times U(1)_{EM}$

Elementary particles (below the QCD confinement scale : $(1 \text{ fm})^{-1} \approx 200 \text{ MeV}$)

(4)

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| Hadrons (color singlets) | Baryons | spin = 1/2 | $p(uud), n(udd), \Lambda(uds), \Lambda_c(udc), \Lambda_b(udb), \dots$ |
| | | spin = 3/2 | $\Delta^{++}(uuu), \Delta^+(uud), \Delta^0(udd), \Delta^-(ddd), \dots$ |
| | Mesons | spin = 0 | $\pi^+(u\bar{d}), \pi^-(d\bar{u}), \pi^0(u\bar{u}+d\bar{d}), K^+(u\bar{s}), \dots, \eta(c\bar{c}), \eta_b(b\bar{b}), \dots$ |
| | | spin = 1 | $\rho^+(u\bar{d}), \rho^-(d\bar{u}), \rho^0(u\bar{u}+d\bar{d}), K^{*+}(u\bar{s}), \phi(s\bar{s}), J/\psi(c\bar{c}), \psi(b\bar{b}), \dots$ |

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|---------|----------|------------|----------------------------|
| Leptons | $Q = -1$ | spin = 1/2 | e, μ, τ |
| | $Q = 0$ | spin = 1/2 | ν_e, ν_μ, ν_τ |

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| Gauge bosons (spin 1) | $Q = \pm 1$ | W^\pm |
| | $Q = 0$ | Z, γ |

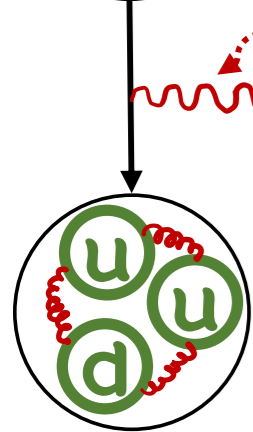
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| Higgs boson (spin 0) | $Q = 0$ | H |
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These are the particles which are ~~produced and~~ detected by collider experiments.

Elementary Particles (properties)

| | 1 st | 2 nd | 3 rd | charge | |
|--|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------|---------|
| | u up | c charm | t top | 2/3 | quarks |
| | d down | s strange | b bottom | -1/3 | |
| | e electron | μ mu | τ tau | -1 | leptons |
| | ν_e e-neutrino | ν_μ μ-neutrino | ν_τ τ-neutrino | 0 | |

neutron

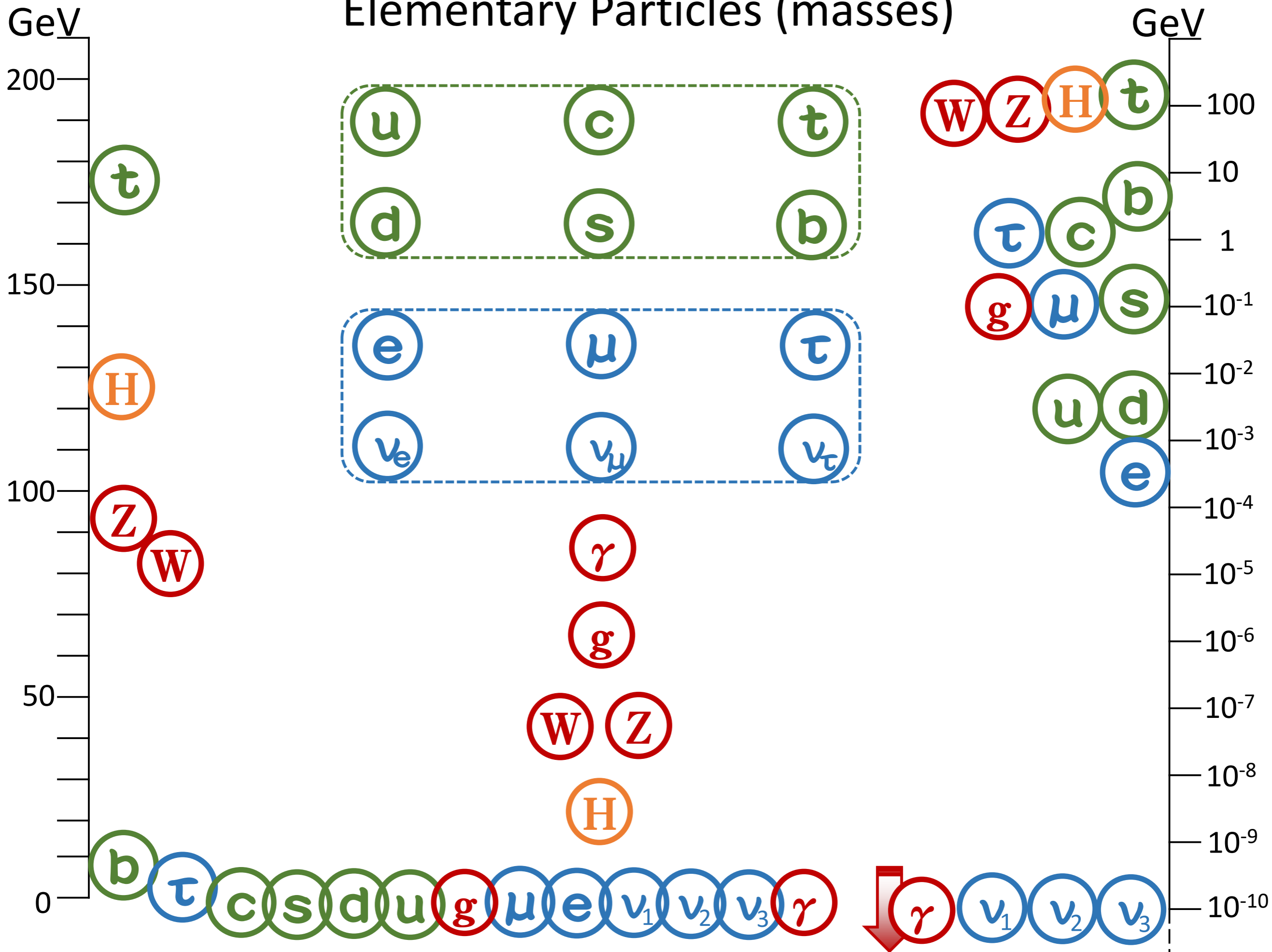


proton

β -decay ($n \rightarrow pe\bar{\nu}_e$)

| | | | |
|-------------------|-------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| γ | photon | (EM interactions) | → atoms, materials |
| g | gluons | (Strong interactions) | → proton, neutron, nuclei |
| W Z | weak boson | (Weak interactions) | → β-decays |
| H | Higgs boson | (Higgs interactions) | → give masses |

Elementary Particles (masses)



Quantum Field Theory (QFT) is the language with which the particles are described. (7)

≈ Quantum Mechanics (QM) + Special Relativity

19th Century: Classical Physics (Newton + Maxwell)



← Rutherford probed atom by α beam

[c = ħ = 1 unit]

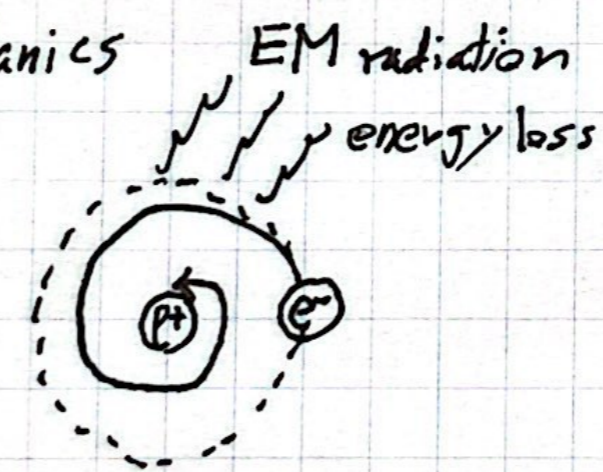
20th Century: Quantum Mechanics

atom

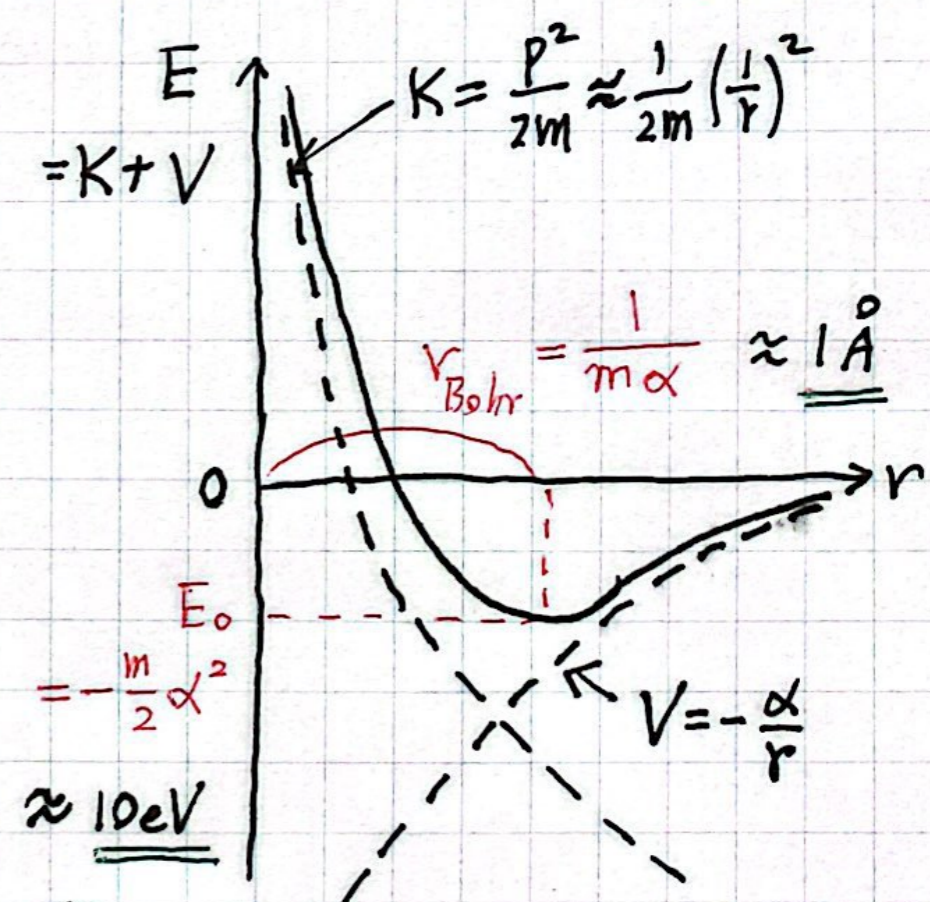
1 fm = 10⁻¹⁵ m



Classical Physics ⇒



All atoms are instantly dead!
But we are alive!



QM: e⁻ momentum (\vec{p}) and location (\vec{x}) cannot be determined

simultaneously, because $[x, p_x] = i\hbar$ (\hbar is the quantum of $\int dx p$)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Energy } H \psi(x) &= \left[\frac{\vec{p}^2}{2m} + V(r) \right] \psi(x) = \left[\frac{(i\vec{\nabla})^2}{2m} + V(r) \right] \psi(x) = E \psi(x) \\
 &\quad \uparrow \quad \quad \quad \uparrow \\
 &\quad \text{Kinetic} \quad \text{Potential} \\
 &\quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \quad \text{blows up at } r=0
 \end{aligned}$$

$|\psi(x)|^2$ determines the probability of finding e⁻ at \vec{x} . experiments!

QFT 2: Special Relativity

Illusion: time and space are independent and absolute (idea, philosophy, ... based on ...)

Reality: measure of time and space depends on the relative velocity of the (Lorentz) frames.

Fact = Reality check: The velocity of light, c , is exactly the same in all frames \leftarrow Michelson-Morley

Postulate (Einstein): Physics should be the same in all frames whose relative velocity is a constant.

(~~no~~ acceleration. \Rightarrow General Relativity)

Poincaré: Physics should be the same under

{ Translation: $x^\mu \rightarrow x'^\mu = x^\mu + a^\mu$ 4 generators: P^μ ($\mu=0,1,2,3$) \Rightarrow Energy-Momentum conservation
 Lorentz transformation: $x^\mu \rightarrow x'^\mu = L^\mu_\nu x^\nu$ 6 generators: $J_x, J_y, J_z, K_x, K_y, K_z$

\Rightarrow Angular Momentum conservation + ...

$\Rightarrow E^2 - |\vec{p}|^2 = m^2$ is invariant!

$$\underline{\underline{E = \sqrt{m^2 + |\vec{p}|^2} \approx mc^2}}$$

\Rightarrow particles are labeled by their invariant mass and spin because they have the same values in all Lorentz frames.

QFT 3: What happens when QM and Special Relativity are combined?

particles are created and annihilated when $E \gg mc^2$!

particle numbers are not conserved. \Leftrightarrow QM studies one or two particle system when $v \ll c$.

$$\gamma \gamma \leftrightarrow e^+ e^- \text{ when } E_{tot} \gtrsim 2m_e c^2$$

QM: $\psi(t, \vec{x})$ is the wave function of an electron $\Rightarrow |\psi(t, \vec{x})|^2$ measures the probability of finding e at...

$$QFT: \psi_i(t, \vec{x}) = \sum_h \int \frac{d^3\vec{k}}{(2\pi)^3 2E} \left[\underbrace{a(\vec{k}, h)}_{\text{annihilate } e^-} u_i(\vec{k}, h) e^{-i(Et - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{x})} + \underbrace{b^\dagger(\vec{k}, h)}_{\text{creat } e^+} v_i(\vec{k}, h) e^{i(Et - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{x})} \right] \quad E = \sqrt{m^2 + |\vec{k}|^2}$$

$(i=1,2,3,4)$

$$\Rightarrow \text{annihilation \& creation are quantized: } [a(\vec{k}, h), a^\dagger(\vec{k}', h')] = [b(\vec{k}, h), b^\dagger(\vec{k}', h')] = (2\pi)^3 2E \delta^3(\vec{k} - \vec{k}')$$

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| \Rightarrow one e^- state | $\langle 0 \psi(t, \vec{x}) \underbrace{a^\dagger(\vec{k}, h)}_{\text{red wavy}} 0 \rangle = u(\vec{k}, h) e^{-i(Et - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{x})}$ | $\left. \begin{array}{l} \nearrow \text{positive energy!} \\ \searrow \end{array} \right\}$ |
| $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{one } e^+ \text{ state} \end{array} \right\}$ | $\langle 0 \psi^\dagger(t, \vec{x}) \underbrace{b^\dagger(\vec{k}, h)}_{\text{red wavy}} 0 \rangle = v(\vec{k}, h) e^{-i(Et - \vec{k} \cdot \vec{x})}$ | |

\Rightarrow spin!

Dirac found that e^- wave functions should have 4 components, which should mix under Lorentz transformation.

Many physicists contribute to make QFT to solve the negative energy problem! \Rightarrow e^+ is predicted!

QFT 4: Perturbative calculation of scattering amplitudes

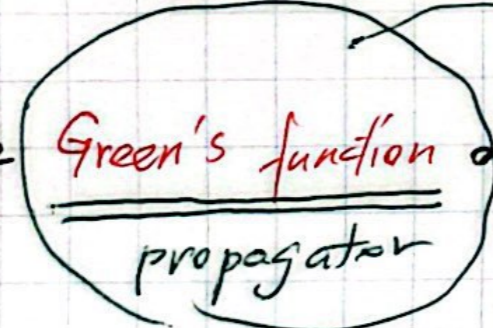
$$\mathcal{L}(\phi_k^{(x)}, \partial^\mu \phi_k^{(x)}) = \mathcal{L}^{(0)}(\phi_k^{(x)}, \partial^\mu \phi_k^{(x)}) + \mathcal{L}_{int}(x)$$

solve E.O.M. $\partial^\mu \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta \partial^\mu \phi_k} + \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta \phi_k} = 0$

plane wave solution: $\phi_k(x) = \int \frac{d^3 \vec{p}}{(2\pi)^3 2E} \left[a_k(\vec{p}) \epsilon_k(\vec{p}) e^{-ipx} + b_k^\dagger(\vec{p}) \epsilon_k^*(\vec{p}) e^{ipx} \right]_{p^0 = E = \sqrt{m^2 + |\vec{p}|^2}}$

if $\phi_k(x)$ has spin, then under Lorentz transformation: $\begin{cases} \phi_k(x) \rightarrow \phi_{k'}(x) = L_{k'k} \phi_k(L^{-1}x) \\ \epsilon_k(\vec{p}) \rightarrow \epsilon_{k'}(\vec{p}) = L_{k'k} \epsilon_k(L^{-1}p) \end{cases}$

⇒ obtain the Green's function of the E.O.M. operator for free (plane wave) solution.



$\langle f | S | i \rangle = \langle f | (1 + iT) | i \rangle = \langle f | T e^{i \int d^4x \mathcal{L}_{INT}(x)} | i \rangle = \langle f | \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} T (i \int d^4x \mathcal{L}_{INT}(x))^n | i \rangle$

$|i\rangle = a^\dagger(\vec{p}_1) b^\dagger(\vec{p}_2) |0\rangle$

$|f\rangle = a^\dagger(\vec{p}_3) b^\dagger(\vec{p}_4) \dots |0\rangle$

$= i (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(\sum_{in} p_k^\mu - \sum_{out} p_k^\mu) M_{fi}$

⇒ $|M_{fi}|^2$ gives cross section & decay width
 2 → n 1 → n

(Fermi's Golden Rule for plane-wave normalization.)

$$\mathcal{L}_{SM} = \mathcal{L}_{gauge} + \mathcal{L}_{gauge\ fix} + \mathcal{L}_{Higgs} + \mathcal{L}_{fermion} + \mathcal{L}_{Yukawa} = \mathcal{L}_{SM}^{(0)} + \mathcal{L}_{INT}^{(x)}$$

↳ determines free field E.O.M. and its solutions (wave functions) and hence also Green's function.

$$\mathcal{L}_{gauge} = -\frac{1}{4} \sum_{a=1 to 8} F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{a\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{k=1 to 3} W_{\mu\nu}^k W^{k\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{Higgs} = (\mathcal{D}_\mu \phi)^\dagger (\mathcal{D}^\mu \phi) - \underbrace{\left[\frac{\lambda}{4} (\phi^\dagger \phi)^2 + \mu^2 (\phi^\dagger \phi) \right]}_{V(\phi)}$$

$$\sigma_\pm^\mu = (1, \pm \vec{\sigma})$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{fermions} = \sum_{i=1}^3 \left\{ Q_i^\dagger \sigma_-^\mu \mathcal{D}_\mu Q_i + U_{Ri}^\dagger \sigma_+^\mu \mathcal{D}_\mu U_{Ri} + d_{Ri}^\dagger \sigma_+^\mu \mathcal{D}_\mu d_{Ri} + L_i^\dagger \sigma_-^\mu \mathcal{D}_\mu L_i + \ell_{Ri}^\dagger \sigma_+^\mu \mathcal{D}_\mu \ell_{Ri} \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{Yukawa} = \sum_{i=1}^3 \sum_{j=1}^3 \left\{ y_{ij}^u Q_i^\dagger \phi U_{Rj} + y_{ij}^d Q_i^\dagger \phi^c d_{Rj} + y_{ij}^\ell L_i^\dagger \phi^c \ell_{Rj} + h.c. \right\}$$

$SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ gauge invariance of the above Lagrangian is almost manifest:

$$\phi_k \rightarrow \phi'_k = U_{kk} \phi_k, \quad \mathcal{D}_\mu \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'_\mu = U \mathcal{D}_\mu U^{-1}$$

Lorentz invariance is far more difficult to prove.

$\partial^\mu, \mathcal{D}^\mu, A^{\mu\nu}, W^{\mu\nu}, B^\mu$ all transforms as $V^\mu = L^\mu_\nu V^\nu$

$$\psi_L \rightarrow \psi'_L = S_L \psi_L = e^{-i \sum_{k=1}^3 \frac{\sigma^k}{2} (\theta_k - i \gamma_k)} \psi_L$$

$$\psi_R \rightarrow \psi'_R = S_R \psi_R = e^{-i \sum_{k=1}^3 \frac{\sigma^k}{2} (\theta_k + i \gamma_k)} \psi_R$$

$$\Rightarrow S_L^\dagger S_R = S_R^\dagger S_L = 1$$

$\psi_L^\dagger \psi_R, \psi_R^\dagger \psi_L$ are invariant
 $\psi_L^\dagger \sigma^k \psi_L, \psi_R^\dagger \sigma^k \psi_R$ as V^μ !!!

Green's function method of calculating scattering amplitudes at tree and at higher orders

scalar: $\mathcal{L}^{(0)} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial^\mu \phi)(\partial_\mu \phi) - \frac{1}{2}m^2 \phi^2 \Rightarrow$ E.O.M. $(\partial^\mu \partial_\mu + m^2)\phi(x) = 0$
 $(p^2 - m^2)\hat{\phi}(p) = 0$
 $(p^2 - m^2)D(p^2) = i \Rightarrow D(p^2) = \frac{i}{p^2 - m^2}$

fermion: $\mathcal{L}^{(0)} = \bar{\psi}(i\partial^\mu \gamma_\mu - m)\psi \Rightarrow$ E.O.M. $(i\partial^\mu \gamma_\mu - m)\psi = 0$
 $(p^\mu \gamma_\mu - m)u(p) = 0$
 $(\not{p} \gamma_\mu - m)G(p) = i \Rightarrow G(p) = \frac{i}{p^\mu \gamma_\mu - m} = \frac{i(\not{p} \gamma_\mu + m)}{p^2 - m^2}$

gauge boson: $\mathcal{L}^{(0)} = -\frac{1}{4}(\partial^\mu A^\nu - \partial^\nu A^\mu)(\partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu) \Rightarrow$ E.O.M. $(g^{\mu\nu} \partial^2 - \partial^\mu \partial^\nu)A_\nu = 0$
 $(g^{\mu\nu} p^2 - p^\mu p^\nu)\hat{A}_\nu(p) = 0$
 $\det = 0$ because $p_\mu (g^{\mu\nu} p^2 - p^\mu p^\nu) = 0$
 \Rightarrow No Green's function \Rightarrow No amplitudes.

⇒ Not all $A^\mu(x)$ are independent.

⇒ constraints : $\partial_\mu A^\mu(x) = 0$ ← covariant gauge

$\eta_\mu A^\mu(x) = 0$ ← axial / L.C. gauges

⇒ $\partial^2 A^\mu(x) = 0$

$p^2 \tilde{A}^\mu(p) = 0$

$p^2 D^{\mu\nu}(p) = i \Rightarrow D^{\mu\nu}(p) = \frac{i \sum_\lambda \epsilon^\mu(p, \lambda) \epsilon^\nu(p, \lambda)^*}{p^2}$

depends on the constraints.

$\mathcal{L}_{G.F.}$ method : $\mathcal{L}^{(0)} + \mathcal{L}_{G.F.}$

QED : $\mathcal{L}^{(0)} + \mathcal{L}_{G.F.} = -\frac{1}{4} (\partial^\mu A^\nu - \partial^\nu A^\mu) (\partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu) - \frac{1}{2\xi} (\partial^\mu A_\mu)^2$

covariant ξ -gauge

⇒ E.O.M.

⇒ Green's function $D^{\mu\nu}(p) = \frac{i}{p^2} \left[-g^{\mu\nu} + (1-\xi) \frac{p^\mu p^\nu}{p^2} \right]$

all 4 contributes

$\xi = 1$ Feynman gauge

$\xi = 0$ Landau gauge \downarrow 3 pol

LC gauge in QED : $\mathcal{L}^{(0)} + \mathcal{L}_{G.F.} = -\frac{1}{4} (\partial^\mu A^\nu - \partial^\nu A^\mu) (\partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu) - \frac{1}{2\xi} (n_\mu A^\mu)^2 \quad n^2=0$

\Rightarrow E.O.M. : $(g^{\mu\nu} \partial^2 - \partial^\mu \partial^\nu - \frac{n^\mu n^\nu}{\xi}) A_\nu(x) = 0$

$(g^{\mu\nu} p^2 - p^\mu p^\nu + \frac{n^\mu n^\nu}{\xi}) \tilde{A}_\nu(p) = 0$

$(g^{\mu\nu} p^2 - p^\mu p^\nu + \frac{n^\mu n^\nu}{\xi}) D_{\nu\rho}(p) = i \delta^\mu_\rho$: Green's function

$D^{\mu\nu}(p) = \frac{i}{p^2} (-g^{\mu\nu} + \frac{n^\mu p^\nu + n^\nu p^\mu}{n \cdot p})$

If we choose $n^\mu = (1, -\vec{p}/|\vec{p}|)$, we find that

$-g^{\mu\nu} + \frac{n^\mu p^\nu + n^\nu p^\mu}{n \cdot p} = \sum_{h=\pm 1} \epsilon^\mu(p, h) \epsilon^\nu(p, h)^* + \tilde{\epsilon}^\mu(p, h=0) \tilde{\epsilon}^\nu(p, h=0)$

• smoooth transition to the on-shell limit ($Q \rightarrow 0$)

• $e^{-\gamma}$ at high energies, because $n \cdot q = q^0 + |\vec{q}|$

$\tilde{\epsilon}^\mu(p, h=0) = \epsilon^\mu(p, h=0) - \frac{q^\mu}{Q} \quad Q = \sqrt{|\vec{q}|^2}$
 $= \frac{Q}{n \cdot q} n^\mu$

\Rightarrow All unphysical 'gauge cancellation' among Feynman diagram disappears.
 FD gauge -

LC gauge in EW theory: $\mathcal{L}^{(0)} + \mathcal{L}_{G.F.} = -\frac{1}{4}(\partial^\mu Z^\nu - \partial^\nu Z^\mu)(\partial_\mu Z_\nu - \partial_\nu Z_\mu) + \frac{1}{2}m^2 Z_\mu Z^\mu + \frac{1}{2}(\partial^\mu \pi)^2 - m(\partial^\mu Z_\mu)\pi - \frac{1}{2\xi}(\partial^\mu Z_\mu)^2$

\Rightarrow E.O.M.:
$$\begin{pmatrix} (\partial^2 + m^2)g^\mu{}_\nu - \partial^\mu \partial_\nu - \frac{\eta^\mu \eta_\nu}{\xi} & m \partial^\mu \\ -m \partial_\nu & -\partial^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Z^\nu(x) \\ \pi(x) \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} (\xi \partial^2 + m^2)g^\mu{}_\nu + g^\mu \eta_\nu - \frac{\eta^\mu \eta_\nu}{\xi} & -im \eta^\mu \\ im \eta_\nu & \partial^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{Z}^\nu(\xi) \\ \tilde{\pi}(\xi) \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -g^\mu{}_\nu + \frac{\eta^\mu \eta_\nu + \eta^\nu \eta_\mu}{\eta \cdot \eta} + \xi(\xi^2 - m^2) \frac{\eta^\mu \eta_\nu}{(\eta \cdot \eta)^2} & i \frac{m \eta^\mu}{\eta \cdot \eta} + i \xi(\xi^2 - m^2) \frac{\eta^\mu \eta^\nu}{(\eta \cdot \eta)^2} \\ -i \frac{m \eta_\nu}{\eta \cdot \eta} - i \xi(\xi^2 - m^2) \frac{m \eta_\nu}{(\eta \cdot \eta)^2} & 1 + \xi(\xi^2 - m^2) \frac{m^2}{(\eta \cdot \eta)^2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} (\xi \partial^2 + m^2)g^\mu{}_\nu + g^\mu \eta_\nu - \frac{\eta^\mu \eta_\nu}{\xi} & -im \eta^\mu \\ im \eta_\nu & \partial^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{Z}^\nu(\xi) \\ \tilde{\pi}(\xi) \end{pmatrix} = (\xi^2 - m^2) \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{Z}^\nu(\xi) \\ \tilde{\pi}(\xi) \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

\Rightarrow Green's function ($\xi=0$):
$$D^R_{\mu\nu}(\xi) = \frac{i}{\xi^2 - m^2} \begin{pmatrix} -g^\mu{}_\nu + \frac{\eta^\mu \eta_\nu + \eta^\nu \eta_\mu}{\eta \cdot \eta} & im \frac{\eta^\mu}{\eta \cdot \eta} \\ -im \frac{\eta_\nu}{\eta \cdot \eta} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

5x5 HD gauge propagator of massive gauge boson.