

“Elementary Particles”

Lecture 2

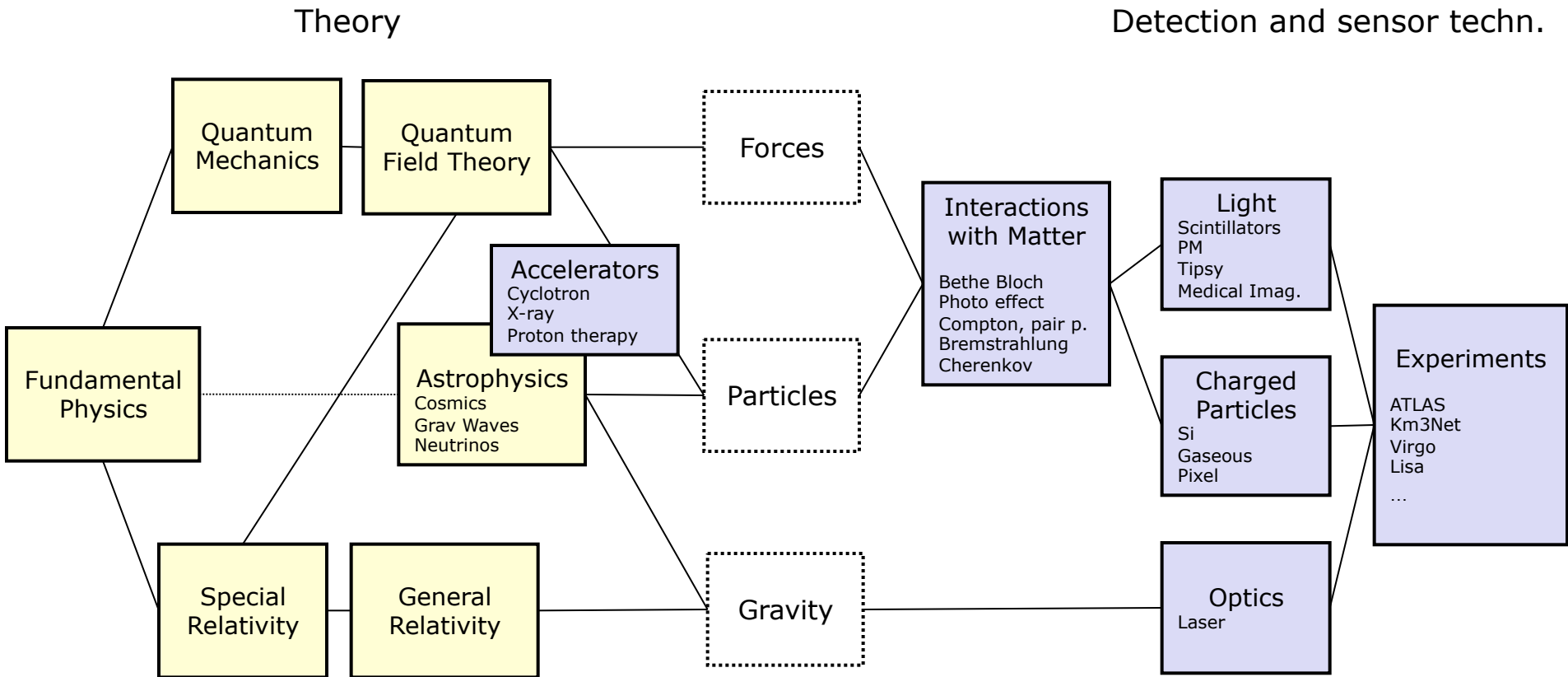
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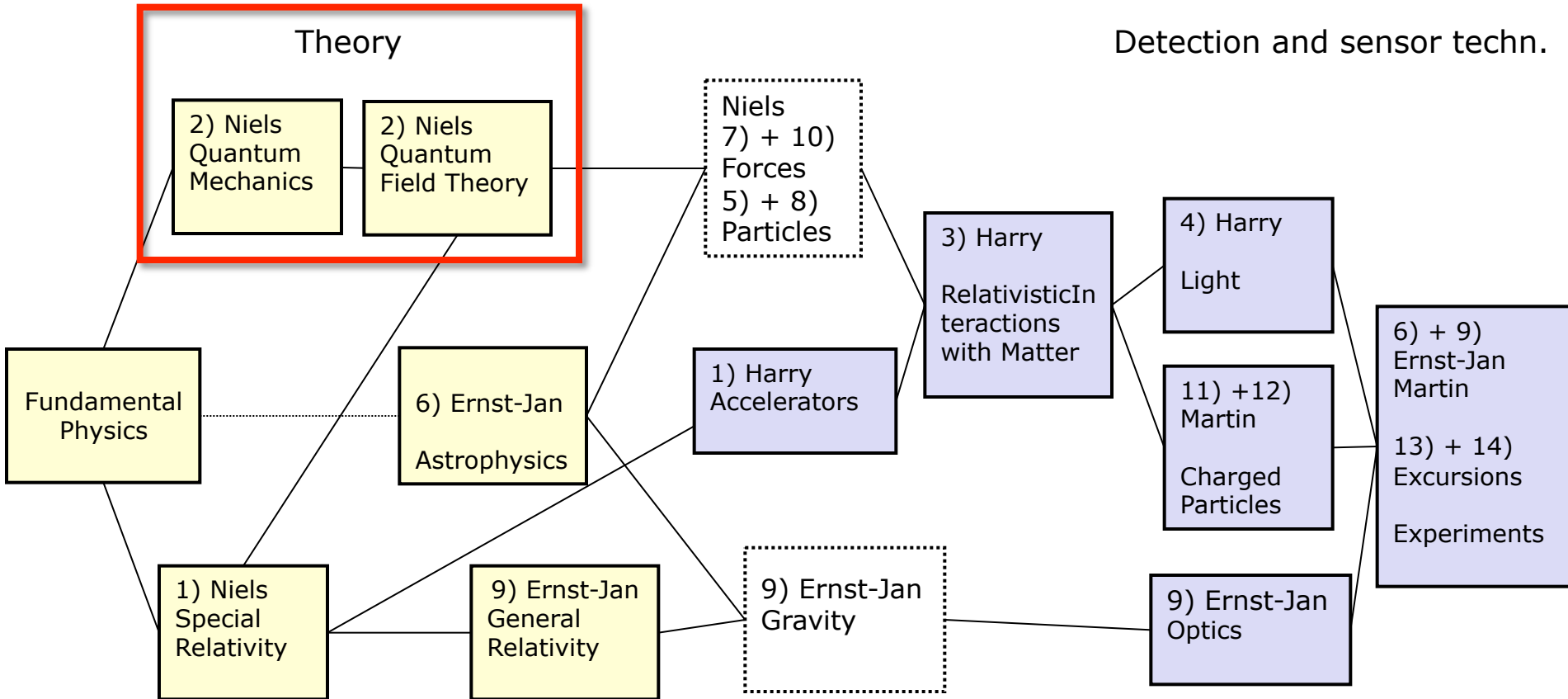
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Today



Schedule

- 1) 11 Feb: Accelerators (Harry vd Graaf) + Special relativity (Niels Tuning)
- 2) 18 Feb: Quantum Mechanics (Niels Tuning)
- 3) 25 Feb: Interactions with Matter (Harry vd Graaf)
- 4) 3 Mar: Light detection (Harry vd Graaf)
- 5) 10 Mar: Particles and cosmics (Niels Tuning)
- 6) 17 Mar: Astrophysics and Dark Matter (Ernst-Jan Buis)
- 7) 24 Mar: Forces (Niels Tuning)
- break
- 8) 21 Apr: e^+e^- and ep scattering (Niels Tuning)
- 9) 28 Apr: Gravitational Waves (Ernst-Jan Buis)
- 10) 12 May: Higgs and big picture (Niels Tuning)
- 11) 19 May: Charged particle detection (Martin Franse)
- 12) 26 May: Applications: experiments and medical (Martin Franse)

- 13) 2 Jun: Nikhef excursie
- 14) 8 Jun: CERN excursie

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Plan

	1) Intro: Standard Model & Relativity	11 Feb
1900-1940	2) Basis	18 Feb
	1) Atom model, strong and weak force	
	2) Scattering theory	
1945-1965	3) Hadrons	10 Mar
	1) Isospin, strangeness	
	2) Quark model, GIM	
1965-1975	4) Standard Model	24 Mar
	1) QED	
	2) Parity, neutrinos, weak inteaction	
	3) QCD	
1975-2000	5) e^+e^- and DIS	21 Apr
2000-2015	6) Higgs and CKM	12 May

Exercises Lecture 1: Special Relativity

1 Lorentz transformation

- a) The Galilean transformation of the space coordinate, from coordinate system S to system S' , with relative velocity v , is given by $x' = x - vt$. What is the Galilean transformation of the time coordinate, between two inertial observers?
- b) The Galilean transformation of the space coordinate x , from system S' to S , is given by $x = x' - vt'$. Let's find the corresponding transformation if we assume that the speed of light is equal in systems S and S' , ie. $x' = ct'$ and $x = ct$. We modify the Galilean transformation rules, by $x' = \gamma(x - vt)$ and find the expression for γ :

$$x' = \gamma(x - vt) \quad \stackrel{x=ct}{=} \quad \gamma(ct - vt) \quad (1)$$

$$x = \gamma(x' - vt') \quad \stackrel{x'=ct'}{=} \quad \gamma(ct' - vt') \quad (2)$$

This leads to:

$$\frac{x'}{\gamma} = \frac{ct'}{\gamma} = \frac{\gamma(ct - vt)}{\gamma} = (ct - vt) \quad (3)$$

Eliminate t in the above expression, and give the expression for γ .

b) $t' = t$

- a) Find the expression for γ :

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x' &= \gamma(x - vt) \quad \stackrel{x=ct}{=} \quad \gamma(ct - vt) \\ x' &= ct' \end{aligned} \right\}$$

This leads to:

$$\frac{x'}{\gamma} = \frac{ct'}{\gamma} = (ct - vt)$$

Eliminate t in the above expression, and give expression for γ :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{ct'}{\gamma} &= (ct - vt) \stackrel{ct=\gamma(ct'+vt')}{=} \gamma(ct' + vt') - \frac{v}{c}\gamma(ct' + vt') \\ \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\gamma^2} &= (1 - v^2/c^2) \end{aligned}$$

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c) Rewrite the Lorentztransformation,

$$x' = \gamma(x - vt) \quad (4)$$

$$t' = \gamma\left(t - \frac{v}{c^2}x\right), \quad (5)$$

expressing the velocity as a fraction of the speed of light, $\beta = v/c$, and the time-coordinate as $x^0 \equiv ct$.

c)

$$x' = \gamma(x - vt)$$

$$t' = \gamma\left(t - \frac{v}{c^2}x\right),$$

$$x' = \gamma\left(x^1 - \frac{v}{c}ct\right) \stackrel{\beta=v/c}{=} \gamma(x^1 - \beta x^0)$$

$$ct' = \gamma\left(ct - \frac{v}{c}x\right) \stackrel{x^0=ct}{=} \gamma(x^0 - \beta x^1)$$

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- d) The time-coordinate, and three space coordinates can be expressed as 4-vectors $x^\mu = (t/c, x, y, z)$. Show that the quantity $I = \sum_{\mu=0,3} \sum_{\nu=0,3} g_{\mu\nu} x^\mu x^\nu = x_\mu x^\mu$ is invariant, ie. that $I = I'$. (Apply a boost in the direction of x^1 .)
- e) Suppose you want to build a muon collider, and you want to keep your muons about 30 minutes in your accelerator before they decay. What boost (ie. value for γ) is then needed for the muons? (The lifetime of muons is $2.2 \mu\text{s}$.) To what beam energy does this correspond? (The mass of the muon is $106 \text{ MeV}/c^2$.)

d)

$$I' = (x'^0)^2 - (x'^1)^2 - (x'^2)^2 - (x'^3)^2 \quad (10)$$

$$= (\gamma(x^0 - \beta x^1))^2 - (\gamma(x^1 - \beta x^0))^2 - (x'^2)^2 - (x'^3)^2 \quad (11)$$

$$= \gamma^2((x^0)^2(1 - \beta^2) - (x^1)^2(1 - \beta^2)) - (x'^2)^2 - (x'^3)^2 \quad (12)$$

$$= \gamma^2(1 - \beta^2)((x^0)^2 - (x^1)^2) - (x'^2)^2 - (x'^3)^2 \quad (13)$$

$$= (x^0)^2 - (x^1)^2 - (x'^2)^2 - (x'^3)^2 = I \quad (14)$$

e)

$$\gamma = \Delta t' / \Delta t = 1800 / 2.2 \times 10^{-6} = 8 \times 10^8 \quad (15)$$

$$E = \gamma m_0 = 8 \times 10^8 \times 0.106 = 8 \times 10^7 \text{ GeV} \quad (16)$$

Exercises Lecture 1: Special Relativity

2 Relativistic momentum

Given 4-vector calculus, we know that $p_\mu p^\mu = E^2/c^2 - \vec{p}^2 = m_0^2 c^2$.

- Show that you get in trouble when you use $E = mc^2$ and $\vec{p} = m\vec{v}$.
- Show that $E = \gamma m_0 c^2$ and $\vec{p} = \gamma m_0 \vec{v}$ obey $E^2/c^2 - \vec{p}^2 = m_0^2 c^2$.

a) Using $E = mc^2$ and $\vec{p} = m\vec{v}$, one finds:

$$E^2/c^2 - \vec{p}^2 = m^2 c^2 - m^2 v^2 = m^2 (c^2 - v^2) \neq m^2 c^2$$

b) Using $E = \gamma m_0 c^2$ and $\vec{p} = \gamma m_0 \vec{v}$, one finds:

$$E^2/c^2 - \vec{p}^2 = \gamma^2 (m^2 (c^2 - v^2)) = m^2 c^2 \frac{1-v^2/c^2}{1-v^2/c^2} = m^2 c^2.$$

Exercises Lecture 1: Special Relativity

3 Center-of-mass energy

- a) Not only the space and time can be expressed as a 4-vector, but also energy and momentum can be expressed as 4-vectors, $p^\mu = (E/c, p_x, p_y, p_z)$. Because $p_\mu p^\mu$ is invariant, this means that the rest-mass m_0 of a particle does not change under Lorentz transformations. Show that $p_\mu p^\mu = m_0^2 c^2$.
- b) Let's consider two colliding particles a and b , with 4-momenta p_a^μ and p_b^μ . We will use natural units, with $c = 1$ and $\hbar = 1$, so $p_a^\mu = (E_a, \vec{p}_a)$. We take the masses of the two colliding particles equal, $m_a = m_b = m$, and we sit in the center-of-mass frame of the system, $\vec{p}_a = -\vec{p}_b$. What are the four components of the sum of the two 4-vectors, $p_{tot}^\mu = (p_a^\mu + p_b^\mu)$?
- c) The 'invariant mass' of the combined system, is often called the 'center-of-mass energy' of the collision. If the energy of both particles a and b is 4 TeV, what is then the center-of-mass energy, $\sqrt{s} \equiv \sqrt{p_{tot}^\mu p_{\mu,tot}}$?
- d) Let's consider a fixed-target collision of two protons. One proton has an energy of 4 TeV, and 4-vector p_a^μ , whereas the other proton is at rest, with 4-vector p_b^μ . What are the four components of the sum of the two 4-vectors, $p_{tot}^\mu = (p_a^\mu + p_b^\mu)$? Give the expression for the center-of-mass energy of this system.

a)

$$p_\mu p^\mu = (E/c)^2 - |\vec{p}|^2 = (E^2 - c^2 |\vec{p}|^2)/c^2 = (m_0 c^4)/c^2$$

b)

$$p_{tot}^\mu = (p_a^\mu + p_b^\mu) = (E_a, \vec{p}_a) + (E_b, \vec{p}_b) = (E_a + E_b, 0) = (2E, 0)$$

c)

$$\begin{aligned} (E, 0, 0, \sqrt{E^2 - m^2}) + (E, 0, 0, -\sqrt{E^2 - m^2}) &= (2E, 0, 0, 0) \\ \Rightarrow s &= 4E^2 \Rightarrow \sqrt{s} = 2E = 8\text{TeV} \end{aligned}$$

d)

$$\begin{aligned} (E, 0, 0, \sqrt{E^2 - m^2}) + (m, 0, 0, 0) &= (E + m, 0, 0, \sqrt{E^2 - m^2}) \\ \Rightarrow s &= (E + m)^2 - (E^2 - m^2) = 2m^2 + 2Em \\ &\Rightarrow \sqrt{s} \sim \sqrt{2Em} = 89\text{GeV} \end{aligned}$$

Exercises Lecture 1: Special Relativity

- e) People were afraid that the earth would be destroyed at the start of the LHC, planning for collisions with beams of 7 TeV each. The earth has been bombarded for billions of years with cosmic rays. What is the center-of-mass energy of the highest energetic cosmic rays (10^{21} eV) hitting the atmosphere? Was the fear justified?
- f) What is the energy of a cosmic ray hitting the atmosphere, that corresponds to the center-of-mass energy of collisions of two lead-ions ^{208}Pb with energies of 2.24 TeV per nucleon?
- g) Consider relatively low-energy proton-proton collisions, with opposite and equal momenta (ie. the center-of-mass system is at rest). In the process $p+p \rightarrow p+p+p+\bar{p}$ an extra proton-antiproton pair is created. What is the minimum energy of the protons to create two extra (anti)protons?

e)

$$\sqrt{s} \sim \sqrt{2Em} = \sqrt{2 \times 10^{12} \times 1\text{GeV}^2} \sim 10^6 \text{GeV} = 10^3 \text{TeV} \quad (24)$$

$$\sqrt{s} \sim \sqrt{2Em} = 14 \text{ TeV} \Rightarrow E = \frac{1}{2m}(14 \times 10^3)^2 = 10^{17} \text{eV} \quad (25)$$

f) (Scaled the 1.38 TeV/nucleon from 4 TeV to the expected 6.5 TeV in 2015.)

$$\sqrt{s} \sim \sqrt{2Em} = 2 \times 208 \times 2.24 \text{ TeV} \sim 10^3 \text{ TeV} \Rightarrow E = \frac{1}{2m}(10^6 \text{ GeV})^2 = 5 \times 10^{20} \text{eV} \quad (26)$$

g)

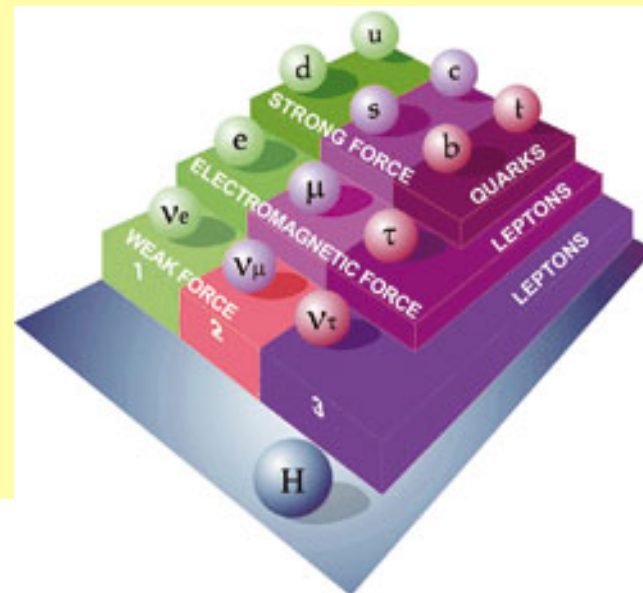
$$\text{Before : } s = 4E^2 \quad (27)$$

$$\text{After}_{\min} : s = (4m)^2 \Rightarrow E_{\min} = 2m = 2\text{GeV} \quad (28)$$

Lecture 1: Standard Model & Relativity

- Standard Model Lagrangian
- Standard Model Particles

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} = & -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \\ & + i\bar{\psi}\not{D}\psi + \text{h.c.} \\ & + \chi_i y_{ij} \chi_j \phi + \text{h.c.} \\ & + |D_\mu \phi|^2 - V(\phi)\end{aligned}$$



Lecture 1: Standard Model & Relativity

- Theory of relativity
 - Lorentz transformations ("boost")
 - Calculate energy in collisions

$$\begin{aligned}x^{10} &= \gamma(x^0 - \beta x^1) \\x^{11} &= \gamma(x^1 - \beta x^0) \\x^{12} &= x^2 \\x^{13} &= x^3\end{aligned} \quad \text{met} \quad \begin{aligned}\beta &\equiv \frac{v}{c} \\ \gamma &\equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}}\end{aligned}$$

- 4-vector calculus

$$p_\mu p^\mu = (E/c)^2 - |\vec{p}|^2 = (E^2 - c^2|\vec{p}|^2)/c^2 = (m_0 c^4)/c^2$$

$$x^\mu = \begin{pmatrix} x^0 \\ x^1 \\ x^2 \\ x^3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (\mu = 0, 1, 2, 3)$$

- High energies needed to make (new) particles



$$\begin{aligned}s &= (p_1 + p_2)^2 = 2m^2 + 2(E^2 + \vec{p}^2) \\ &= 2m^2 + 2E^2 + 2(E^2 - m^2) = 4E^2\end{aligned}$$

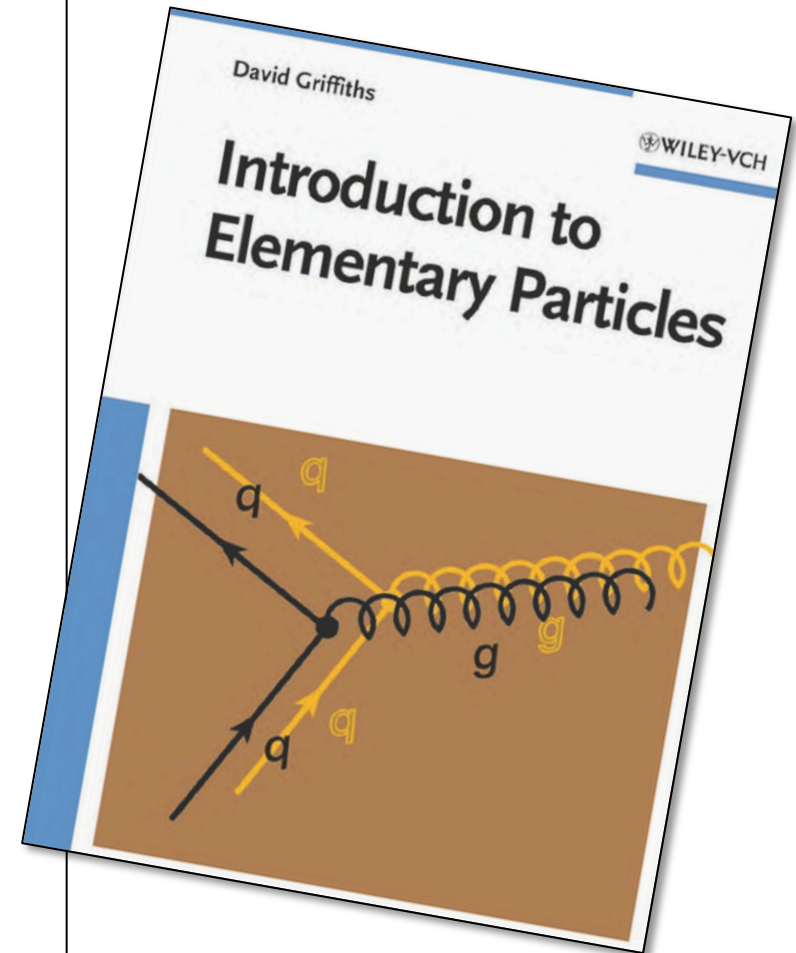
Outline for today

- Quantum mechanics: equations of motions of wave functions
 - Schrodinger, Klein Gordon, Dirac
- Forces
 - Strong force, pion exchange
 - Weak nuclear force, decay
- Scattering Theory
 - Rutherford (classic) and QM
 - “Cross section”
 - Coulomb potential
 - Yukawa potential
 - Resonances

D. Griffiths

"Introduction to Elementary Particles"

- Lecture 1:
 - ch.3 Relativistic kinematics
- Lecture 2:
 - ch.5.1 Schrodinger equation
 - ch.7.1 Dirac equation
 - ch.6.5 Scattering
- Lecture 3:
 - ch.1.7 Quarkmodel
 - ch.4 Symmetry/spin
- Lecture 4:
 - ch.7.4 QED
 - ch 11.3 Gauge theories
- Lecture 5:
 - ch.8.2 $e+e^-$
 - ch.8.5 $e+p$
- Lecture 6:
 - ch.11.8 Higgs mechanism



Lecture 2: QM, Dirac and Scattering

- Introduce “matter particles”
 - spinor ψ from Dirac equation
- Introduce “force particles”

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} = & -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \\ & + i\bar{\psi}\not{D}\psi + \text{h.c.} \\ & + \chi_i y_{ij} \chi_j \phi + \text{h.c.} \\ & + |\mathcal{D}_\mu \phi|^2 - V(\phi)\end{aligned}$$

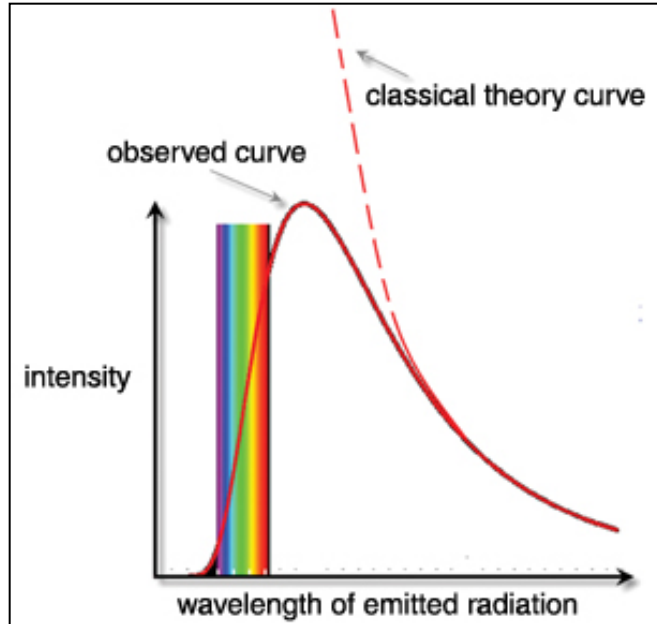
- Introduce basic concepts of scattering processes



Quantum mechanics

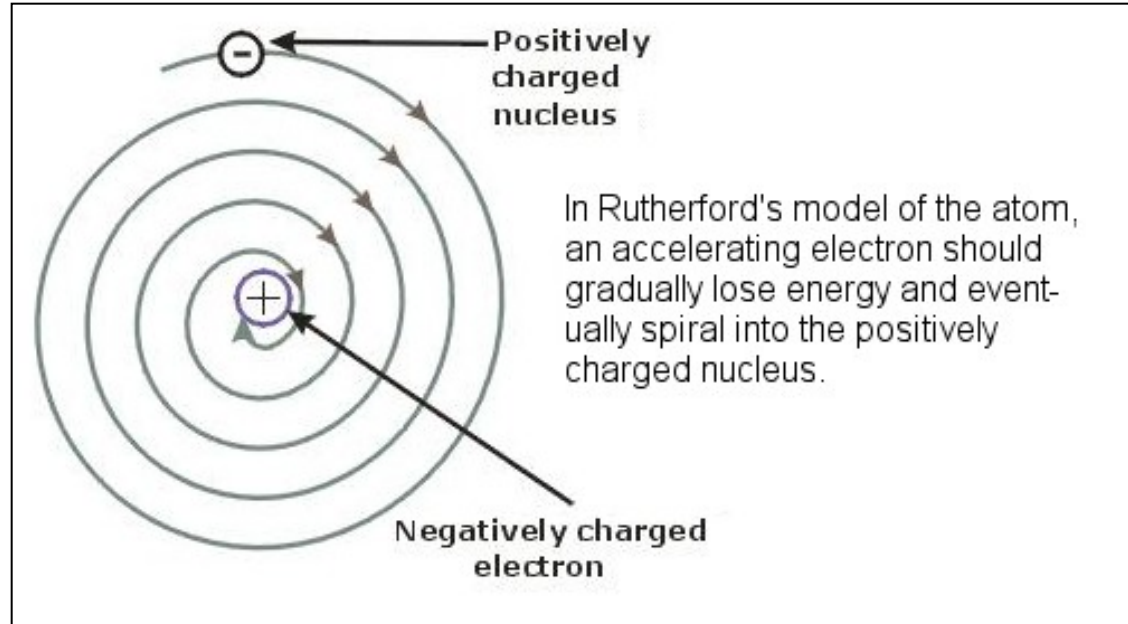
From classic to quantum

Why does the black body spectrum look like it does?



→ *Finite number of wavelengths* ($E=h\nu$)

Why does the electron not fall onto the nucleus?



→ *Finite number of nuclear orbits*

- The wavefunction ψ describes a system (eg. particle)
- Physical quantities are given by operators

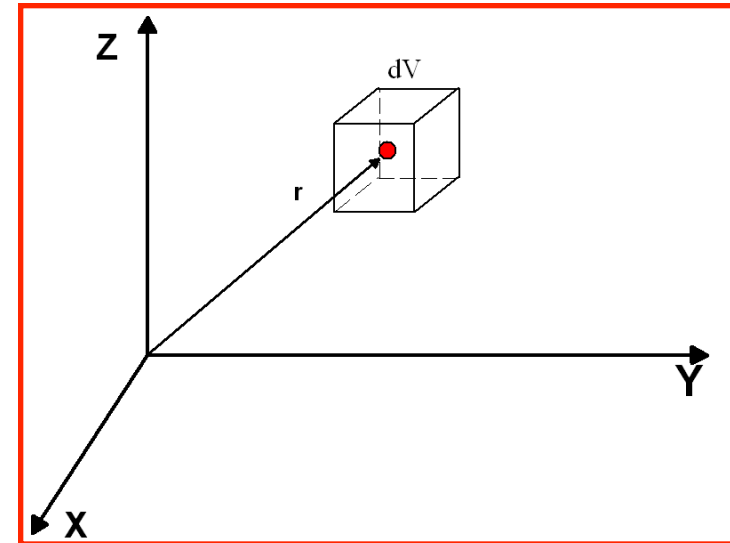
Wavefunction

Each particle may be described by a wave function $\Psi(x,y,z,t)$, real or complex, having a single value for a given position (x,y,z) and time t

- In QM a particle is not *localized*
- Probability of finding a particle somewhere in a volume V of space:

$$P(\mathbf{r}, t)dV = |\Psi(\mathbf{r}, t)|^2 dV$$

- Probability to find particle anywhere in space = 1
 - condition of normalization:



$$\int_{\text{all space}} |\Psi(\mathbf{r}, t)|^2 dV = 1$$

Operator

Any physical quantity is associated with an operator

- An operator O : the “recipe” to transform ψ into ψ'
 - We write: $O\psi = \psi'$
- If $O\psi = o\psi$ then
 - ψ is an eigenfunction of O and
 - o is the eigenvalue.

We have “solved” the wave equation $O\psi = o\psi$ by finding simultaneously ψ and o that satisfy the equation.

➤ o is the measure of O for the particle in the state described by ψ

Correspondence?

- What operator belongs to which physical quantity?

Classical quantity QM operator

$f(x)$	Any function of position, such as x , or potential $V(x)$	$f(x)$
p_x	x component of momentum (y and z same form)	$\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$
E	Hamiltonian (time independent)	$\frac{p_{op}^2}{2m} + V(x)$
E	Hamiltonian (time dependent)	$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$
E_{kin}	Kinetic energy	$\frac{-\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2}$
L_z	z component of angular momentum	$-i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi}$

Example

Let's try operating:

- Wavefunction:

$$\Psi(x, t) = A(\cos[kx - \omega t] + i \sin[kx - \omega t]) = Ae^{ikx - \omega t}$$

- Momentum operator :

$$\hat{p}_x \Psi(x, t) = \frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} Ae^{i(kx - \omega t)} = \frac{\hbar}{i} ikAe^{i(kx - \omega t)} = \hbar kAe^{i(kx - \omega t)} = \hbar k\Psi(x, t)$$

- Or energy operator:

$$\hat{E}\Psi(x, t) = i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} Ae^{i(kx - \omega t)} = i\hbar(-i\omega)Ae^{i(kx - \omega t)} = \hbar\omega Ae^{i(kx - \omega t)} = E\Psi(x, t)$$

➤ Ψ is indeed eigenfunction ($\hbar k$ and $\hbar\omega$ are the eigenvalues for \hat{p} and \hat{E})

Expectation value

Average value of physical quantity: expectation value

Think of the Staatsloterij:

x_i : prize

$p(x_i)$: probability to win that prize

$$E(X) = \sum_i x_i p(x_i) = 0.697 \times 13.50 = 9.41 \text{EUR}$$

$$\langle W \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \Psi^*(x, t) [\hat{W} \Psi(x, t)] dx$$

Example:

$$\psi(x) = A e^{ikx} \quad \text{with} \quad \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |\psi(x)|^2 dx = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} [A e^{ikx}]^* [A e^{ikx}] dx = 1,$$

where $A \rightarrow 0$ as limits of integration $\rightarrow \infty$

$$\langle p \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} [A e^{ikx}]^* \left[\frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} A e^{ikx} \right] dx$$

$$\langle p \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} [A e^{ikx}]^* \frac{\hbar}{i} ik [A e^{ikx}] dx = \hbar k \underbrace{\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} [A e^{ikx}]^* [A e^{ikx}] dx}_{\equiv 1} = \hbar k = p$$

Heisenberg



How to describe a particle that is “localized” somewhere, but which is also “wave-like” ?

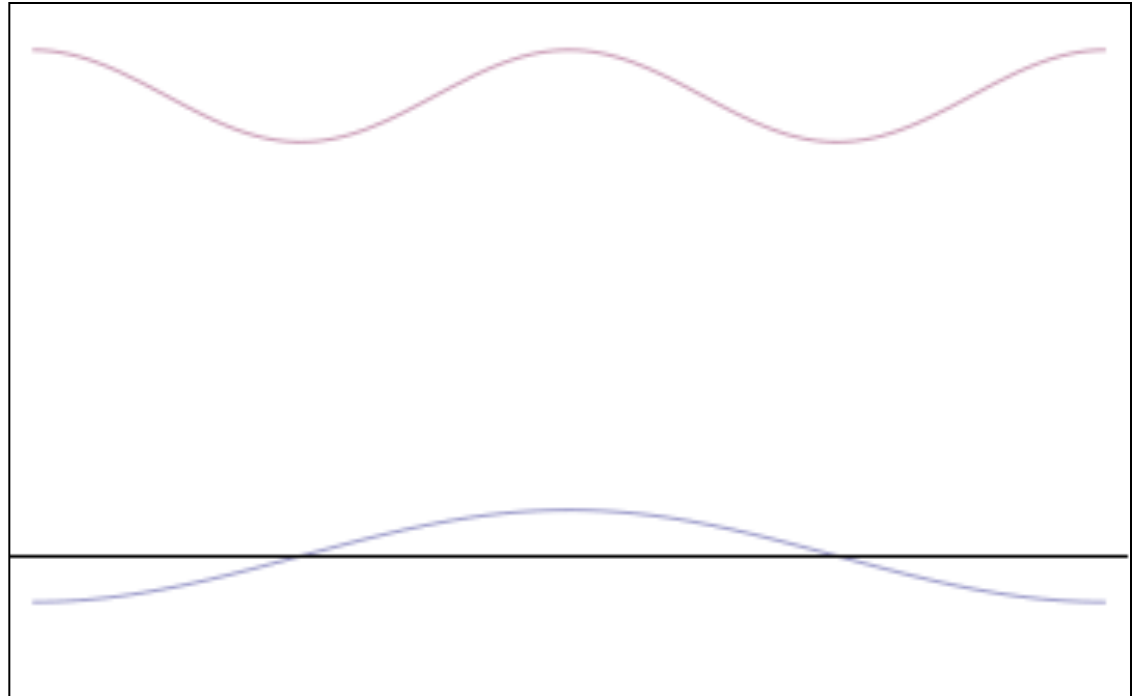
➤ k can be any value:

$$\psi = Ae^{ikx}$$

➤ Fourier decomposition of many frequencies

- The more frequencies you add, the more it gets localized
- The worse you know p , the better you know x !

$$\Delta x \approx \frac{h}{\Delta p_x}$$



Heisenberg

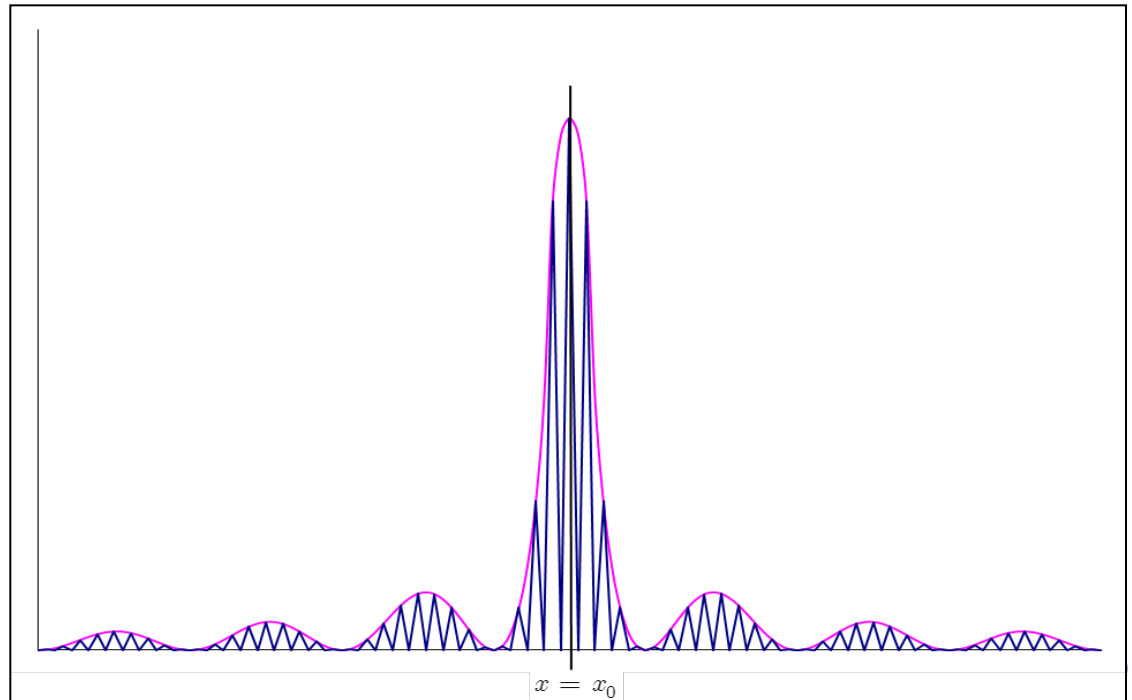


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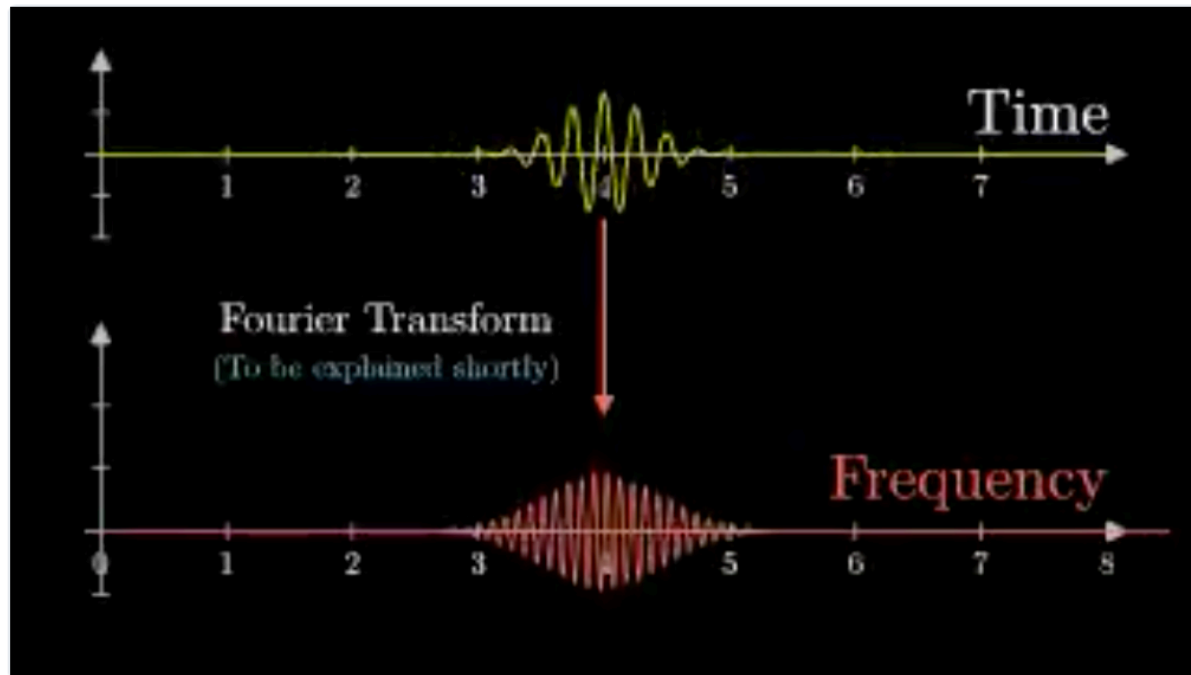
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Heisenberg

- Uncertainty relation \rightarrow Commutation relation
 - A wave function cannot be simultaneously an eigenstate of position and momentum

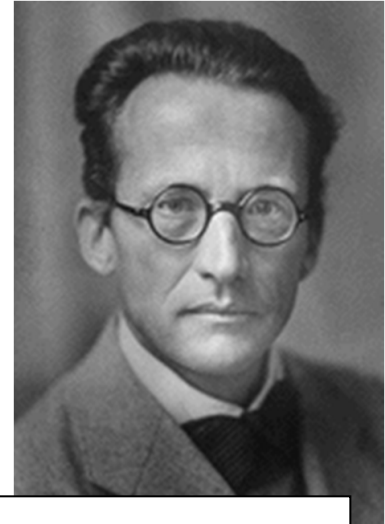
$$P_x X \Psi = \frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (x \Psi) = \frac{\hbar}{i} \left(\Psi + x \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} \right)$$
$$X P_x \Psi = x \frac{\hbar}{i} \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x}$$

$$(P_x X - X P_x) \Psi = [P_x, X] \Psi = \frac{\hbar}{i} \Psi$$

- Suppose it *was*, what then??
 - Then the operators would commute:

~~$$(P_x X - X P_x) \Psi = (P_x x_0 - X p_0) \Psi = (x_0 p_0 - x_0 p_0) \Psi = 0$$~~

Schrödinger



Classic relation between E and p:

$$E = \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2m}$$

Quantum mechanical substitution:
(operator acting on wave function ψ)

$$E \rightarrow i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{p} \rightarrow -i \vec{\nabla}$$

Schrodinger equation:

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi = \frac{-1}{2m} \nabla^2 \psi$$

Solution:

$$\psi = N e^{i(\vec{p}\vec{x} - Et)}$$

(show it is a solution)

Intermezzo: "radial Schrödinger equation"

- Polar coordinates

$$\Psi(x, y, z, t) = \psi(x, y, z)e^{-iEt/\hbar}$$

- Separate variables

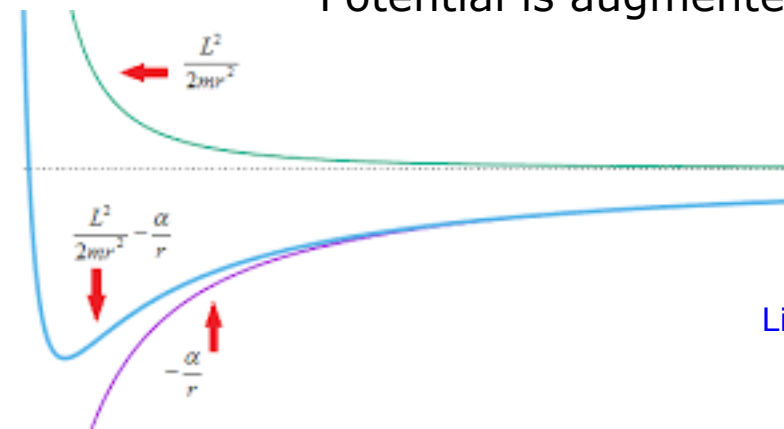
$$\psi(r, \theta, \phi) = R(r)\Theta(\theta)\Phi(\phi)$$

- Three differential equations for R , ϕ , θ :

$$\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{d}{dr} \left(r^2 \frac{dR}{dr} \right) = \left[\frac{l(l+1)}{r^2} + \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} (V(r) - E) \right] R$$

- Radial Schrödinger equation

- Potential is augmented by "centrifugal barrier" : (apparent centrifugal force)



$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{d^2u}{dr^2} + \left[V(r) + \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{l(l+1)}{r^2} \right] u = Eu$$

Linear momentum Potential energy Angular momentum

Klein-Gordon

Relativistic relation between E and p:

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

Quantum mechanical substitution:
(operator acting on wave function ψ)

$$E \rightarrow i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{p} \rightarrow -i \vec{\nabla}$$

Klein-Gordon equation:

$$-\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \phi = -\nabla^2 \phi + m^2 \phi$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{or :} & \quad (\square + m^2) \phi(x) = 0 \\ \text{or :} & \quad (\partial_\mu \partial^\mu + m^2) \phi(x) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Solution:

$$\phi(x) = N e^{-ip_\mu x^\mu} \quad \text{with eigenvalues:} \quad E^2 = \vec{p}^2 + m^2$$

But! Negative energy solution?

$$E = \pm \sqrt{\vec{p}^2 + m^2}$$



Dirac



Paul Dirac tried to find an equation that was

- relativistically correct,
- but *linear* in d/dt to avoid negative energies
- (and linear in d/dx (or ∇) for Lorentz covariance)

He found an equation that

- turned out to describe spin-1/2 particles and
- predicted the existence of anti-particles

Dirac

➤ How to find that relativistic, linear equation ??

Write Hamiltonian in general form,

$$H\psi = (\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{p} + \beta m) \psi$$

but when squared, it must satisfy:

$$H^2\psi = (\vec{p}^2 + m^2) \psi$$

Let's find α_i and β !

$$\begin{aligned} H^2\psi &= (\alpha_i p_i + \beta m)^2 \psi && \text{with : } i = 1, 2, 3 \\ &= \left(\underbrace{\alpha_i^2}_{=1} p_i^2 + \underbrace{(\alpha_i \alpha_j + \alpha_j \alpha_i)}_{=0 \quad i>j} p_i p_j + \underbrace{(\alpha_i \beta + \beta \alpha_i)}_{=0} p_i m + \underbrace{\beta^2}_{=1} m^2 \right) \psi \end{aligned}$$

So, α_i and β must satisfy:

- $\alpha_1^2 = \alpha_2^2 = \alpha_3^2 = \beta^2$
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- (not a unique choice!)

Dirac

$$H\psi = (\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{p} + \beta m) \psi$$

➤ What are α and β ??

The lowest dimensional matrix that has the desired behaviour is **4x4** !?

Often used

Pauli-Dirac representation:

$$\vec{\alpha} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \vec{\sigma} \\ \vec{\sigma} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad ; \quad \beta = \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & -I \end{pmatrix}$$

with:

$$\sigma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad ; \quad \sigma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad ; \quad \sigma_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Usual substitution:

$$H \rightarrow i\frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \vec{p} \rightarrow -i\vec{\nabla}$$

Leads to:

$$i\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\psi = (-i\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{\nabla} + \beta m) \psi$$

Multiply by β :

$$\left(i\beta\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\psi + i\beta\alpha_1\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + i\beta\alpha_2\frac{\partial}{\partial y} + i\beta\alpha_3\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) \psi \stackrel{(\beta^2=1)}{-m\psi} = 0$$

Gives the famous Dirac equation:

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

with : $\gamma^\mu = (\beta, \beta\vec{\alpha}) \equiv$ Dirac γ -matrices

$$\text{for each } j=1,2,3,4 : \sum_{k=1}^4 \left[\sum_{\mu=0}^3 i(\gamma^\mu)_{jk} \partial_\mu - m\delta_{jk} \right] (\psi_k) = 0$$

Dirac

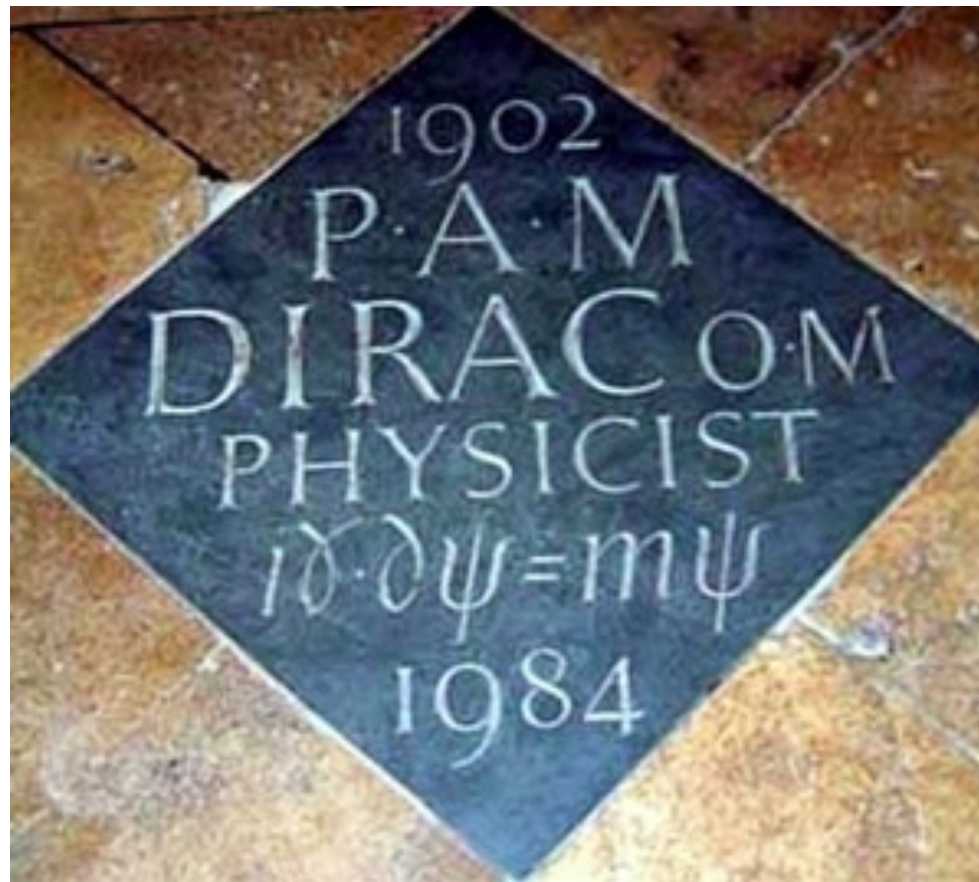
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Remember!

- μ : [Lorentz index](#)
- 4x4 γ matrix: [Dirac index](#)

Less compact notation:

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Even less compact... :

$$\left[\begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{1} & 0 \\ 0 & -\mathbb{1} \end{pmatrix} \frac{i\partial}{\partial t} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_1 \\ -\sigma_1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \frac{i\partial}{\partial x} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_2 \\ -\sigma_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \frac{i\partial}{\partial y} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_3 \\ -\sigma_3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \frac{i\partial}{\partial z} - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{1} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbb{1} \end{pmatrix} m \right] \begin{pmatrix} \psi_1 \\ \psi_2 \\ \psi_3 \\ \psi_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

➤ What are the solutions for ψ ??

Intermezzo: The "Four-derivative"

- Transformation of **contravariant** 4-vector:

$$x^\mu : \begin{cases} x'^0 = \gamma(x^0 - \beta x^1) \\ x'^1 = \gamma(x^1 - \beta x^0) \\ x'^2 = x^2 \\ x'^3 = x^3 \end{cases}$$

- Lowering the index, costs minus-sign:

$$x_\mu = g_{\mu\nu} x^\nu$$

$$x_0 = x^0, x_1 = -x^1, x_2 = -x^2, x_3 = -x^3$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Transformation of **covariant** 4-vec:

$$x_\mu : \begin{cases} x'_0 = \gamma(x_0 + \beta x_1) \\ -x'_1 = \gamma(-x_1 - \beta x_0) \Rightarrow x'_1 = \gamma(x_1 + \beta x_0) \\ x'_2 = x_2 \\ x'_3 = x_3. \end{cases}$$

- Derivative $\partial_\mu = \partial/\partial x^\mu$ transforms as **covariant** 4-vec (consistent with index):

$$\left. \begin{aligned} (\partial_\mu \phi)' &= \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^{\mu'}} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^\nu} \frac{\partial x^\nu}{\partial x^{\mu'}} = \frac{\partial x^\nu}{\partial x^{\mu'}} (\partial_\nu \phi) \quad (\text{Sum over index } \nu) \\ \frac{\partial x^0}{\partial x^{0'}} &= \gamma, \quad \frac{\partial x^0}{\partial x^{1'}} = \gamma\beta, \quad \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x^{0'}} = \gamma\beta, \quad \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x^{1'}} = \gamma. \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} (\partial_0 \phi)' &= (\partial_0 \phi) \frac{\partial x^0}{\partial x^{0'}} + (\partial_1 \phi) \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x^{0'}} = \gamma [(\partial_0 \phi) + \beta(\partial_1 \phi)] \\ (\partial_1 \phi)' &= (\partial_0 \phi) \frac{\partial x^0}{\partial x^{1'}} + (\partial_1 \phi) \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial x^{1'}} = \gamma [(\partial_1 \phi) + \beta(\partial_0 \phi)] \end{aligned}$$

- And:

$$\partial^\mu = \left(\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}, -\nabla \right) \quad \text{and} \quad \partial_\mu = \left(\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \nabla \right)$$

Griffiths, p.214:

* The gradient with respect to a *contravariant* position-time four-vector x^μ is itself a *covariant* four-vector, hence the placement of the index. Written out in full, equation (7.5) says $(E/c, -\mathbf{p}) \rightarrow i\hbar \left(\frac{\partial}{c \partial t}, \nabla \right)$.

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or : $(\not{p} - m) u(p) = 0$

Linear set of eq:

$$\left[\begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{1} & 0 \\ 0 & -\mathbb{1} \end{pmatrix} E - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_i \\ -\sigma_i & 0 \end{pmatrix} p^i - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{1} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbb{1} \end{pmatrix} m \right] \begin{pmatrix} u_A \\ u_B \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

➤ 2 coupled equations:

$$\begin{cases} (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}) u_B = (E - m) u_A \\ (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}) u_A = (E + m) u_B \end{cases}$$

If $p=0$:

$$u^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad u^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad u^{(3)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad u^{(4)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$u_B^{(1)} = \frac{\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}}{E + m} u_A^{(1)} = \frac{\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}}{E + m} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad u_B^{(2)} = \frac{\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}}{E + m} u_A^{(2)} = \frac{\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}}{E + m} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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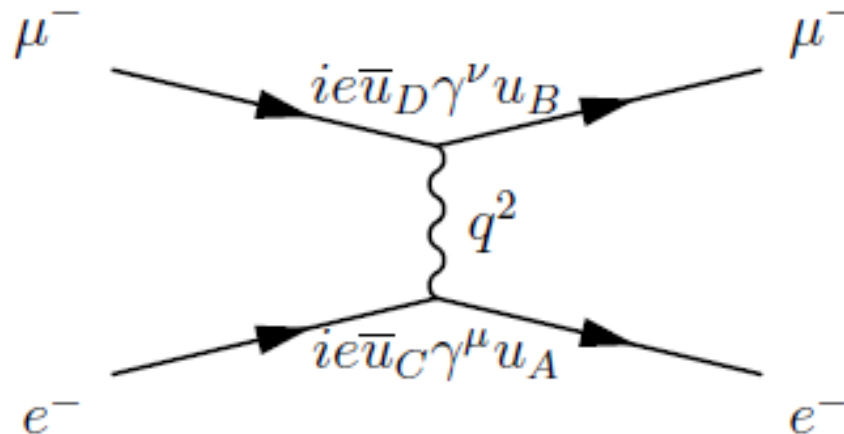
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Ψ is 4-component spinor

4 solutions correspond to fermions and anti-fermions with spin+1/2 and -1/2

➤ What do we need this for ??

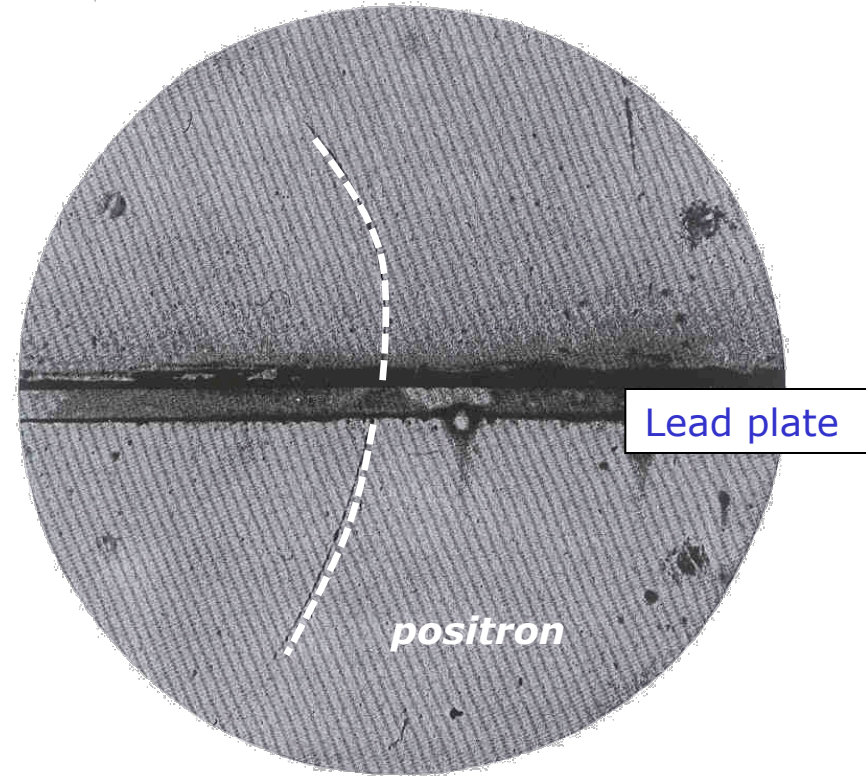
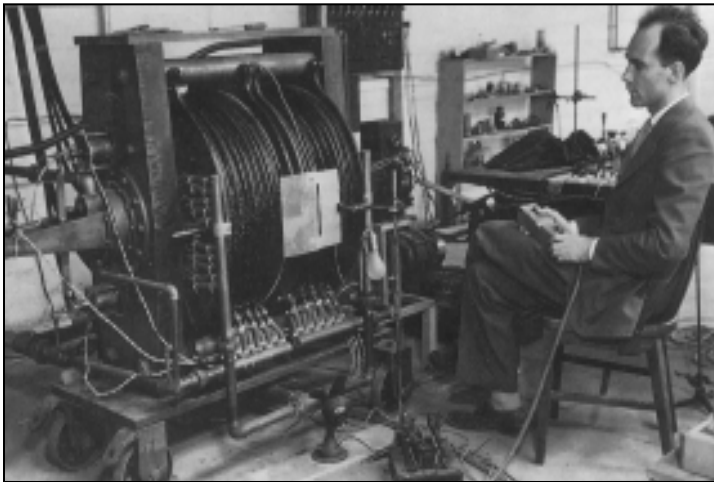
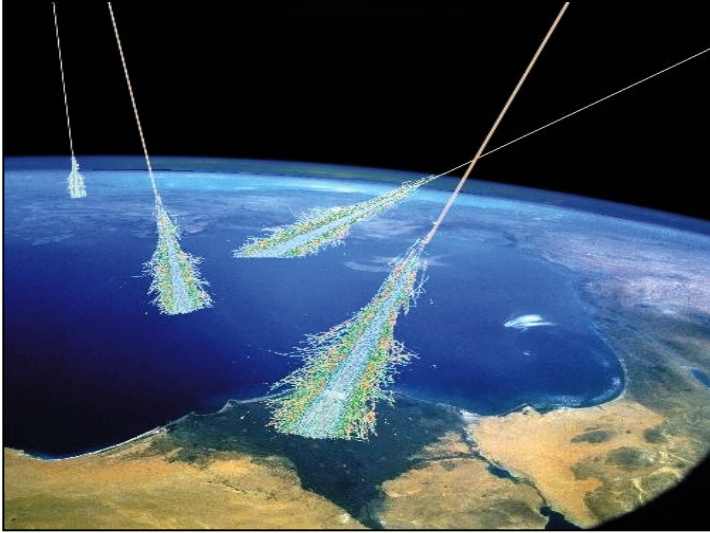
Needed e.g. to calculate the probability for a scattering process like:



Prediction of anti-matter

- Dirac found his equation in 1928
- The existence of anti-matter was not taken serious until 1932, when Anderson discovered the anti-electron: the positron

Discovery of anti-matter



Nobelprize 1936

What else happened in 1932 ?

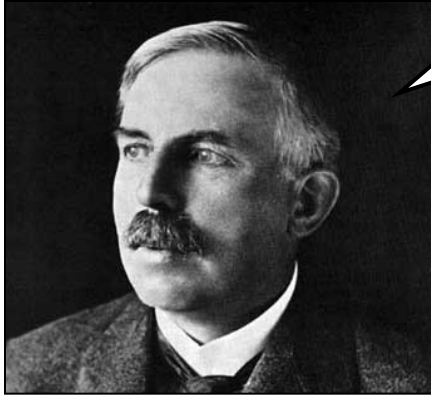
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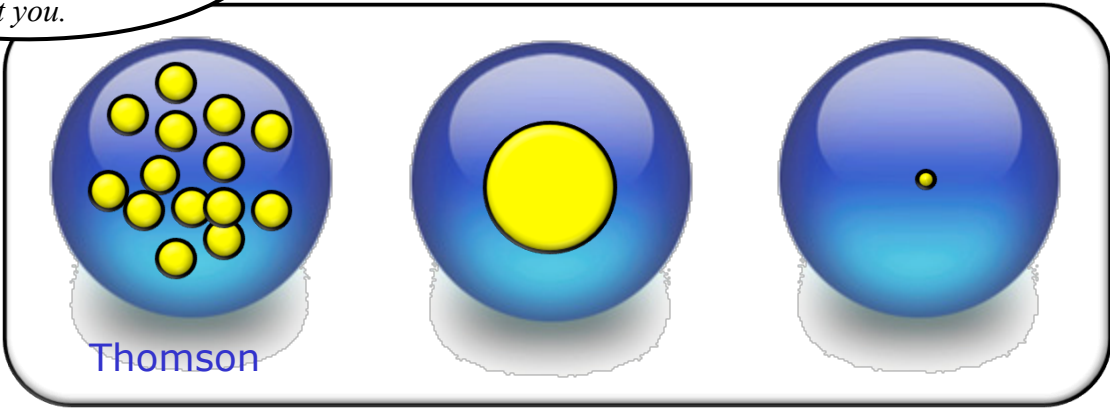
- What was known at that time about the nucleus?

Nobelprize 1935

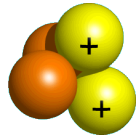
Rutherford



It was as if you fired a 15-inch shell at a sheet of tissue paper and it came back to hit you.



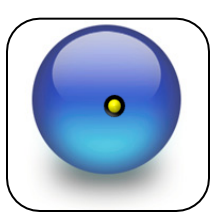
'Bullet':



6 MeV alpha particle

Measurement:

Hypothesis:



$$V \propto \frac{1}{r}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}(\theta) = \left(\frac{ZZ'}{4E}\right)^2 \frac{1}{\sin^4(\theta/2)}$$

Scattering of α and β Particles by Matter. 681

Metal.	Atomic weight.	$z.$	$z/A^{3/2}.$
Lead	207	62	208
Gold	197	67	242
Platinum	195	63	232
Tin	119	34	226
Silver	108	27	241
Copper	64	14.5	225
Iron	56	10.2	250
Aluminium ...	27	3.4	243
Average			233

Number of back-scattered particles $\sim A^{3/2}$

The Number of Possible Elements and Mendeléeff's "Cubic" Periodic System.

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A. VAN DEN BROEK.

Noordwijk-Zee, June 23.



July 1911

'Hey, that is funny... looking at Rutherford's results, one notices that the number of electrons per atom is precisely halve the atom mass.'

(Note: Proton only proposed in 1920)

a dozen fine specimens of *Panicum*, the largest of which measured nearly four feet in length. The seed must be considerable in size, as the heads were not on the same spot, and both brought up equally good specimens of these magnificent grasses. Most of the large specimens of *Panicum*, by the way, were not caught in the head-stand, but were balanced across the front of the frame, at each end, in such a precarious position as to make one wonder how many others had been lost in handling. The bottom deposit was evidently fine mud. W. A. HARRISON.

S.V. Buss, Sound of Jona, July 11.

On the Non-simultaneity of Suddenly Beginning Magnetic Storms.

In a paper "On the Supposed Propagation of 'Equatorial' Magnetic Disturbances with Velocities of the Order of a Hundred Miles per Second," read before the Physical Society of London, November 11, 1910, and published in the Proceedings of that society, vol. xlii, pp. 49-57, Dr. Chree, in reviewing my paper published in the Journal of Terrestrial Magnetism (vol. 15, pp. 99-105), expressed some doubts as to my views on the subject of the non-simultaneity of suddenly beginning magnetic storms.

It seems to me that I should not be any doubt as to my position on this point when I stated in my above-mentioned paper (loc. cit. p. 105) that the evidence there presented concerned what Dr. Buss had stated, namely, that magnetic storms do not begin at the same instant all over the world, and added a little further on that a new view-point in the discussion and analysis of magnetic storms is thus introduced, meaning that a new view-point must now be had on account of this non-simultaneity of the occurrence of the beginning of the storms which, I believe, the data shows to exist.

I agree with Dr. Buss in his conclusion that the abruptly beginning magnetic storms are not simultaneous all over the world, and this conclusion, it seems to me, is supported, not only by the data in my paper, but also by that in his paper which appeared prior, and in that which has appeared subsequent, to mine. R. L. FOSTER, U.S. Coast and Geodetic Service.

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Phases of Evolution and Heredity.

I enclose the your review of the above book in *Nature* for May 25 to consider the following points:—
1. In a tall-tower crossing where the results are read in plants, the ultimate ratios considered as due to a probability combination of the α -cells and pollen grains the influence of which necessarily ends within a generation, explain why we do not get the ratio in the plants coming out in F₂.
2. Do we carry "How is the recessive character expressed in F₂? It has not disappeared as it reappears in NO. 2177, VOL. 87]

is amplified. It is not expressed in the 'same' of the plant; where is it? your reviewer answers "In the germ-cells."
It, however, the determinants of the recessives are expressed in the germ-cells, i.e., in the propagative part of the plant, so must chance for the larger dominant and decrease plants. These plants aggregate in a 3:1 ratio, and therefore the determinants for the coloured α -characters must be in that ratio in the propagative part of the organism. Does the reviewer not admit the accuracy of my view after all? D. BRAS HALL, 5 Randolph Cliff, Edinburgh.

I find it very difficult to follow Dr. Barry Hart. If he means, by the question which concludes his letter, to ask whether I accept his theory as truly representing, once and for all, the causes which determine the Mendelian ratio 1:1:1, my answer is unqualifiedly negative; not because I think I know what the true theory is, but because I do not think the time is yet ripe to formulate it. Dr. Hart's theory is evidently different from the accepted Mendelian theory; and it may be nearer the truth. Whether it is or not, further experiment alone can show. THE REVIEWER.

Available Laboratory Attendants.

The London County Council has for some time been referring to us a certain number of boys who have been trained as laboratory attendants in their higher grade and secondary schools, and whose services they are unable to retain after they have attained seventeen years of age. We are anxious to find suitable vacancies either in chemical works or laboratories for these boys, who are of a distinctly superior type and some of whom have profited by their experience in passing the Board of Education examinations in inorganic chemistry.

Some of these boys who were placed by us, thank to a letter published by you last year, are doing well and giving satisfaction to their respective employers.

Should any of your readers, now or at any future time, have a vacancy for such a lad, I should be glad to hear from him.

G. E. REES, Hon. Sec. Apprenticeship and Skilled Employment Association, 35 Darnley House, 227, Vauxhall Bridge Road, London, S.W. 9, July 4.

Mendeleev's Numbers.

I desire to associate the discovery which I have made that (2¹⁰⁰-1) is divisible by 4347. This leaves only 26 of the numbers (2ⁿ-1) originally reported composite by Mendeleev, still untried. I have submitted my determination to Lt.-Col. Alastair Cunningham, R.E., who has kindly verified it.

It is interesting to know that while (2¹⁰⁰-1) is divisible by 4347, the number which divided by this number (4347) leaves a remainder 2189. This latter number has been verified by two divisions.

HERBERT J. WOODMAN, Marion Place, Stalport, June 12.

The Fox and the Fleas.

Some readers of *Nature* may be interested in seeing the following passage from one of Leibig's letters to Wöhler, dated Gießen, June 24, 1846, so showing that the story has long been familiar, at least in Germany:—
"Das fröhliche Gerücht von Göttingen ist nun, wie kein Fuchs die Biene in den Bienenstock, in einer Schlinge gefangen."—A. WITTNER, A. Tübingen. The Oaks, Northwood, Middlesex, July 10.

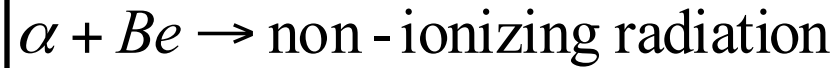
Cabbage White Butterfly.

Wöhler seems entomologist state if he knows of any reference to the fact that the larvae of the Large Cabbage White seek to arrange themselves in pairs—male and female—when they pupate?
Can the sexes be distinguished externally in the larval and in the pupal stages? E. W. REAR, Sutherland Technical School, Galsgow.

Antonius van den Broek

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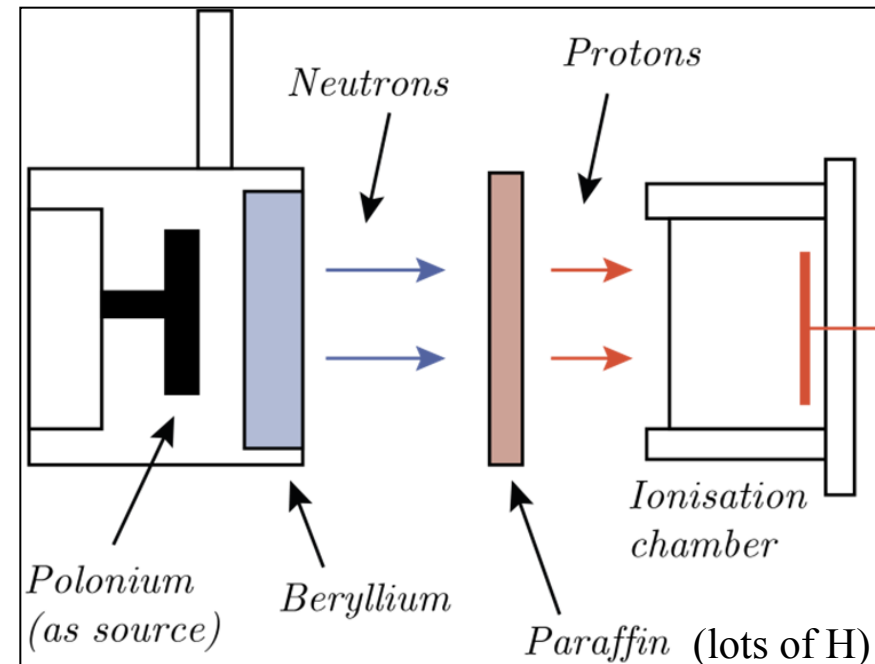
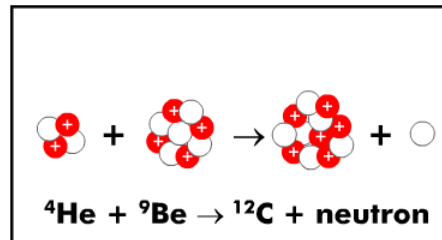
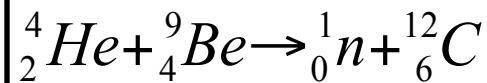


1) Neutral

- Gamma? No! protons too energetic

2) $m_n \sim m_p$

➤ Interpretation:



Nobelprize 1935

***Towards massive
force carriers***

Strong interaction

- 1932: discovery of neutron
 - $\alpha + {}^9\text{Be} \rightarrow \text{n} + {}^{12}\text{C}$
 - Nuclear effect only \rightarrow short range
- What can you then deduce about:
 - Energy scale
 - Potential



Yukawa

- 1935: Introduced *strong* carriers on *small* distances
- Massive particle, that exists only shortly
 - 'virtual' particle

Compare:

- **Electro-magnetism**

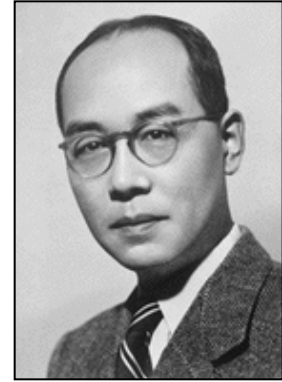
- Infinite range
- Transmitted by massless photon
- Coulomb potential

$$V(r) = -e^2 \frac{1}{r} \quad R \rightarrow \infty$$

- **Strong force**

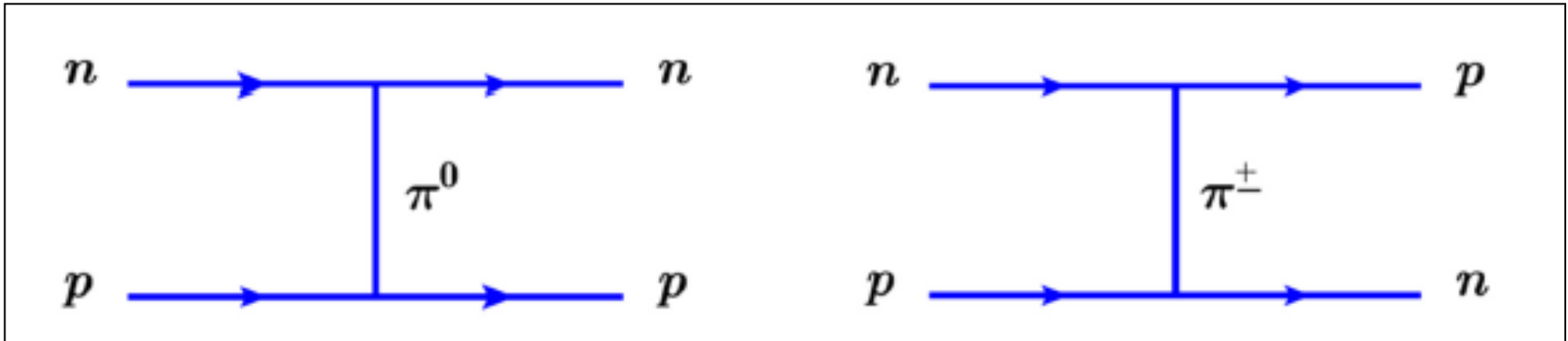
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$$U(r) = -g^2 \frac{e^{-r/R}}{r} \quad R: \text{range}$$



Yukawa

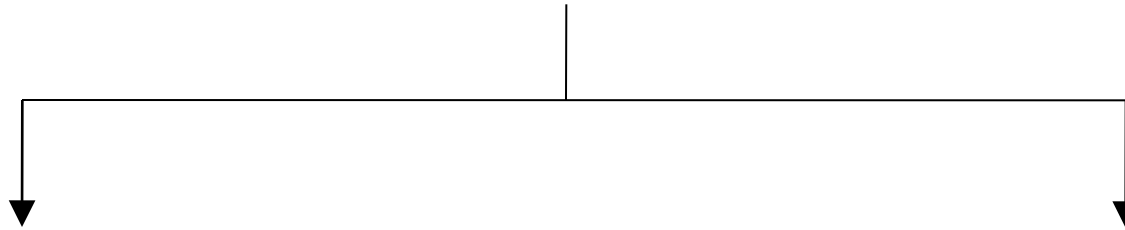
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Yukawa's strong nuclear force



Strength: coupling constant

Short range: massive quanta

$$\text{Coulomb: } V \propto -\alpha \frac{1}{r}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar c} = \frac{1}{137.04}$$

$$\text{Yukawa: } V \propto -g^2 \frac{e^{-r/R}}{r}$$

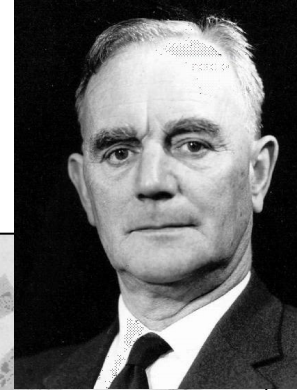
Coupling $g^2 > \alpha$

What is the typical mass that limits the range to the proton radius (10^{-15} m) ?

Homework

Prediction!

Yukawa's pions – pictures

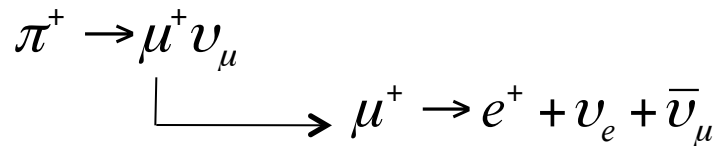


Powell used a new detection technique

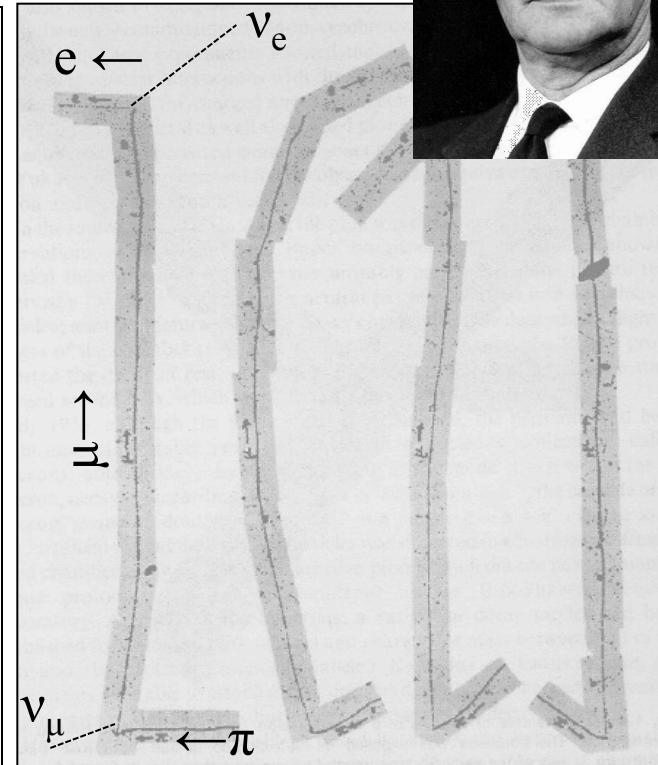
Photographic emulsion:

- Thick photosensitive film
- Charged particles leave tracks

Results: two particles (pion and muon)



- 1947 Discovery of pion (Powell): Nobelprijs 1950
- 1935 Prediction of pion (Yukawa): Nobelprijs 1949



- π -meson, $m=140$ MeV, short lifetime

Produced high in atmosphere and decays before reaching sealevel.

- muon (μ), $m=105$ MeV, long lifetime

Reaches sea-level and weakly interacts with matter

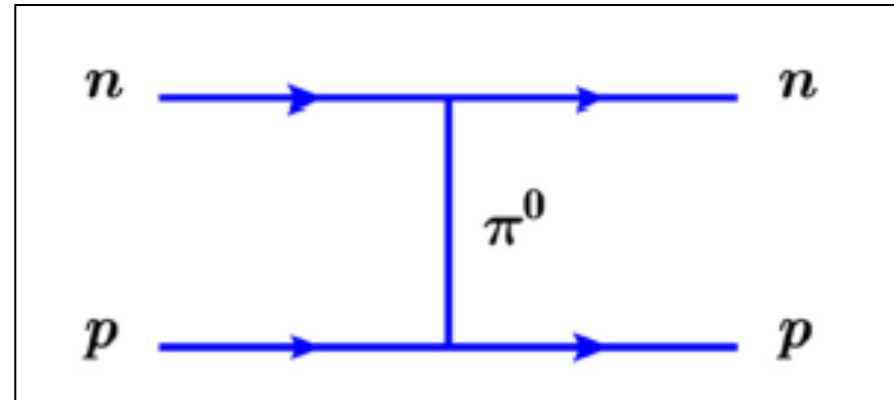
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“Effective” description

Still useful to describe some features!

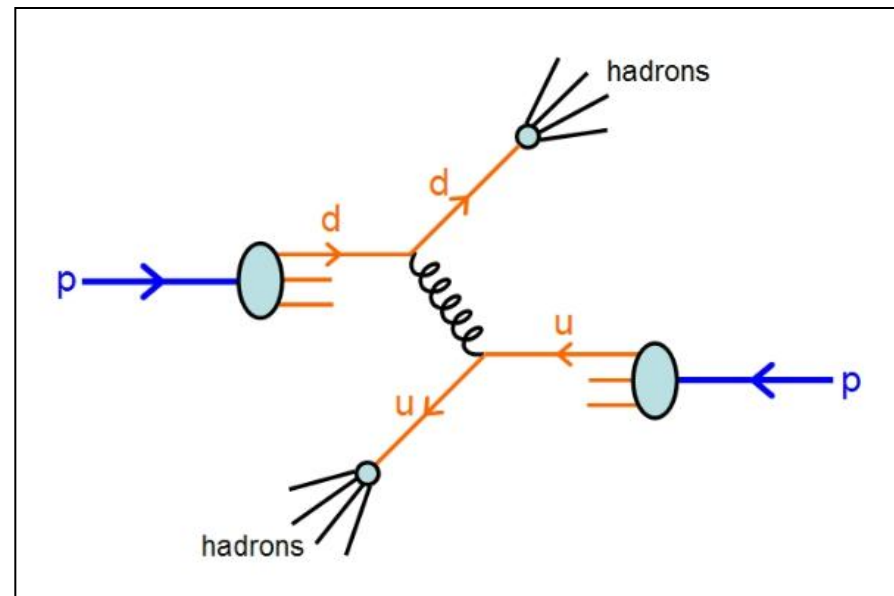
In particular at “lower energies”



➤ Gluons:

More fundamental description

But fails at low energies...



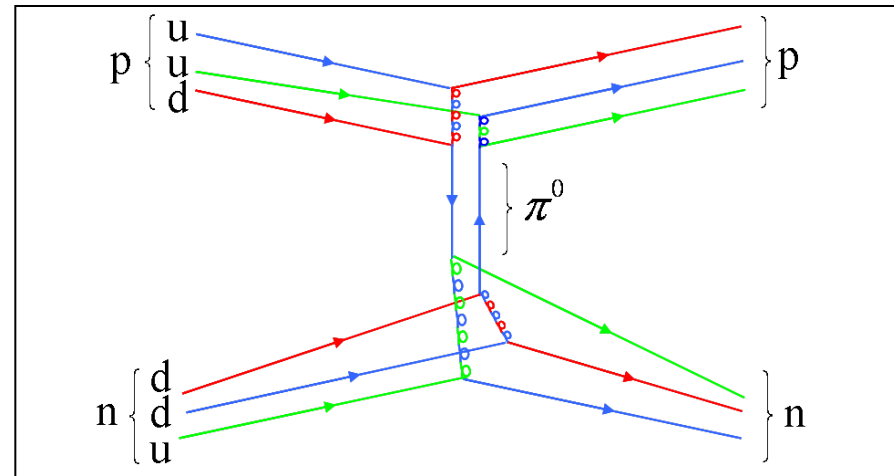
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“Effective” description (\neq wrong!)

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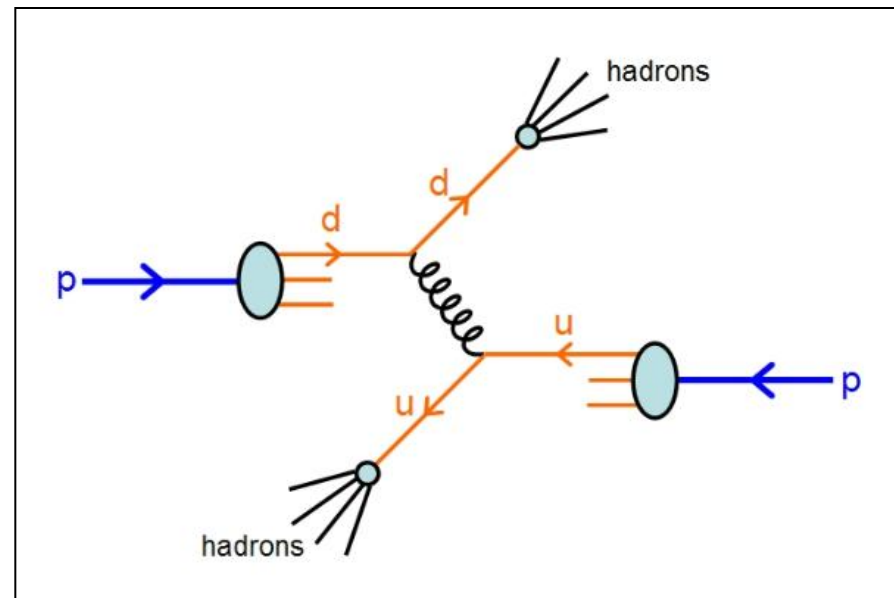
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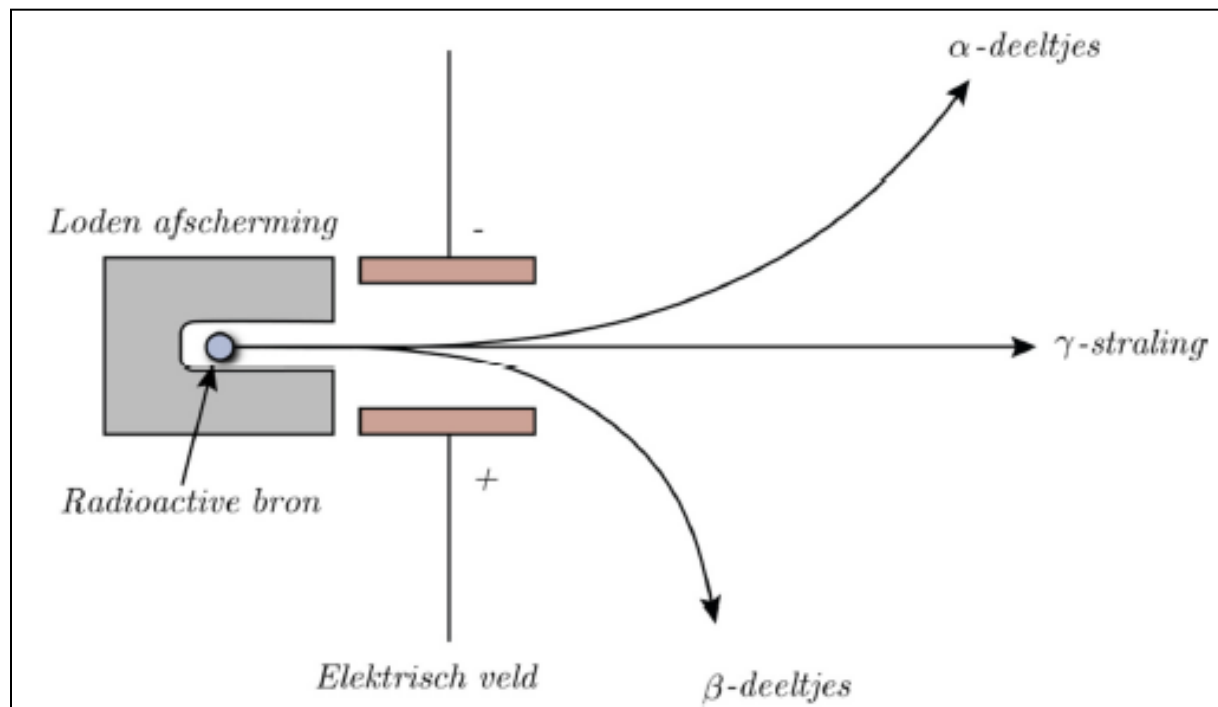
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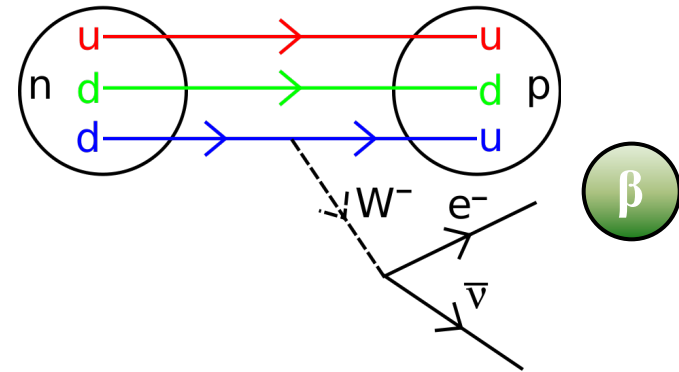
Radioactive decay

- 1895: Röntgen discovered radiation from vacuum tubes (γ)
- 1895: Becquerel measured radiation from ^{238}U (**n**)
- 1898: Curie measured radiation from ^{232}Th (**α**)
- 1899: Rutherford concluded $\alpha \neq \beta$
- 1914: Rutherford determined wavelength of γ (scattering of crystals)

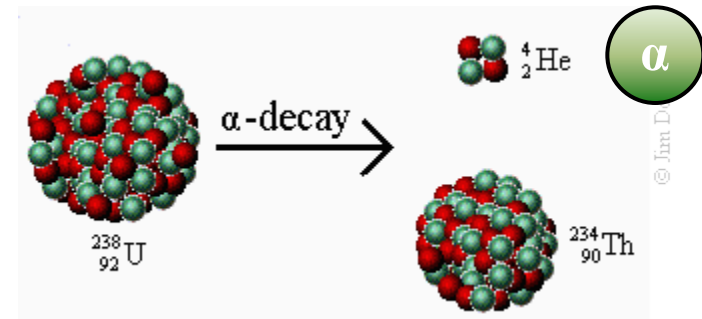


Link with Modern physics

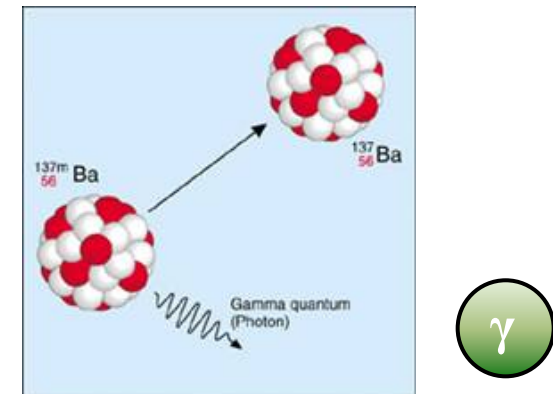
- β -decay: weak interaction
 - W-exchange



- α -decay: strong interaction
 - Pions (gluons?!) keeps nucleus together

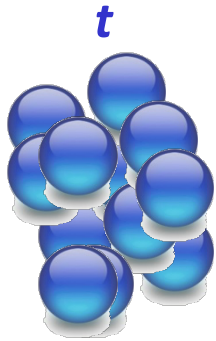


- γ -decay: electro-magnetic interaction
 - Excited states



Particle Decay

1) Number of decayed particles, dN , is proportional to: N , dt and constant Γ :



$$dN = -N \Gamma dt$$

$$N = N_0 e^{-\Gamma t}$$

$$= N_0 e^{-t/\tau}$$

lifetime

$$\tau = \frac{1}{\Gamma_{fi}} = \frac{1}{\Gamma}$$

2) States that decay, do not correspond to one specific energy level, but have a “width” ΔE :

Heisenberg: $\Delta E \Delta t \sim \hbar$

$$\Delta E \tau \sim \hbar$$

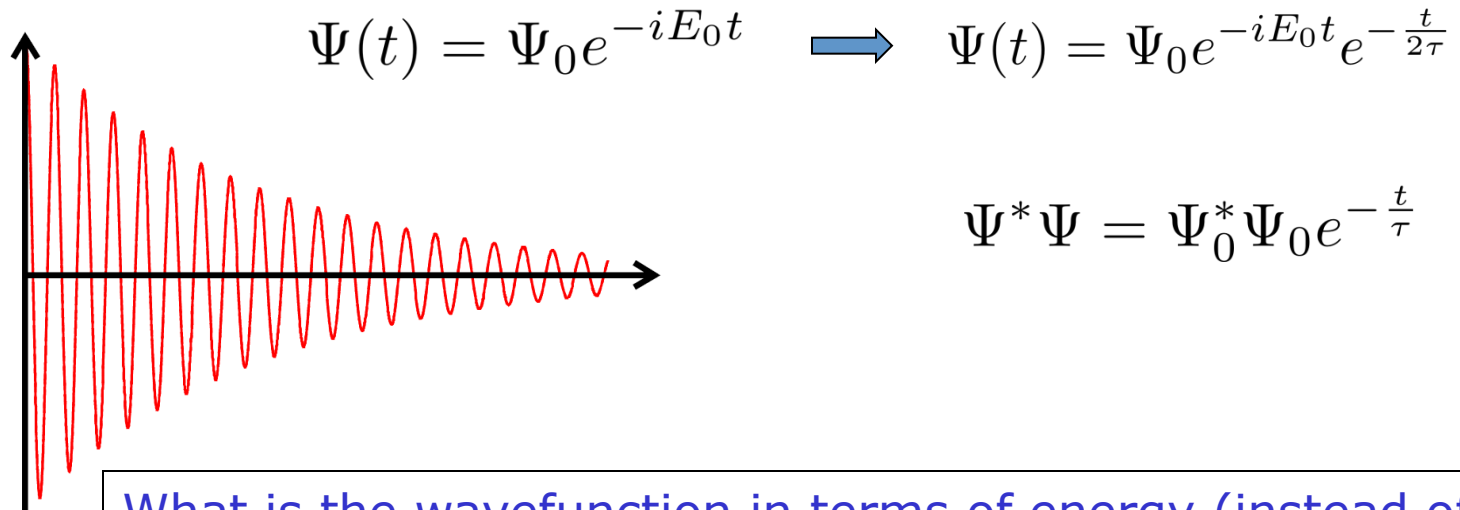
$$\Delta E \sim \hbar / \tau = \hbar \Gamma$$

➤ The width of a particle is inverse proportional to its lifetime!

Quantum mechanical description of decay

State with energy E_0 ($\hbar\omega$) and lifetime τ

To allow for decay, we need to change the time-dependence:



What is the wavefunction in terms of energy (instead of time) ?

➤ Infinite sum of flat waves, each with own energy

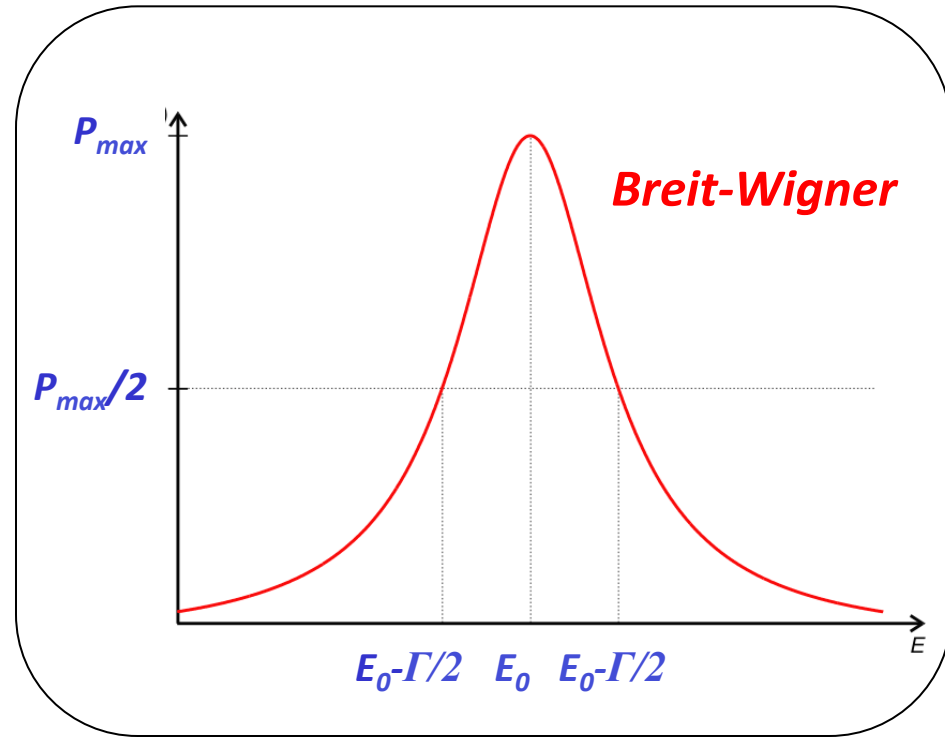
➤ Fourier transformation:

$$f(\omega) = f(E) = \int_0^{\infty} \Psi_0 e^{-t(iE_0 + \frac{1}{2\tau})} e^{iEt} dt = \Psi_0 \frac{1}{i\left((E_0 - E) - \frac{i}{2}\Gamma\right)}$$

Resonance

Probability to find particle with energy E:

$$f(E)^* f(E) = \Psi_0^* \Psi_0 \frac{1}{(E_0 - E)^2 + \frac{1}{4}\Gamma^2}$$



Resonance-structure contains information on:

- Mass
- Lifetime
- Decay possibilities

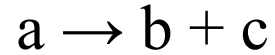
Scattering

Outline for today

- Quantum mechanics: equations of motions of wave functions
 - Schrodinger, Klein Gordon, Dirac
- Forces
 - Strong force, pion exchange
 - Weak nuclear force, decay
- Scattering Theory
 - Rutherford (classic) and QM
 - “Cross section”
 - Coulomb potential
 - Yukawa potential
 - Resonance

Decay and Scattering: decay width and cross section

- Decay



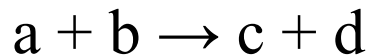
- *Decay width* is reciprocal of decay time:
- Total width is sum of *partial widths*:
- *Branching fraction* for certain decay mode:
- Unit: inverse seconds

$$\tau = 1/\Gamma$$

$$\Gamma_{\text{tot}} = \sum_i \Gamma_i$$

$$\text{BR} = \Gamma_i / \Gamma_{\text{tot}}$$

- Scattering



- Parameter of interest is “size of target”, *cross section* σ
- Total cross section is sum of possible processes:
- Unit: surface

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}} = \sum_i \sigma_i$$

➤ Golden rule:

$$\text{transition rate} = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |\mathcal{M}|^2 \times (\text{phase space})$$

Fermi's Golden Rule



$$\Gamma = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |\langle f | H' | i \rangle|^2 \rho(E_f)$$

$\rho(E_f)$ density of final states
 $\langle f | H' | i \rangle$ Matrix element

Fermi's "golden rule" gives:

The transition probability

to go from initial state i to final state f

Amplitude \mathcal{M} :

contains dynamical information
fundamental physics

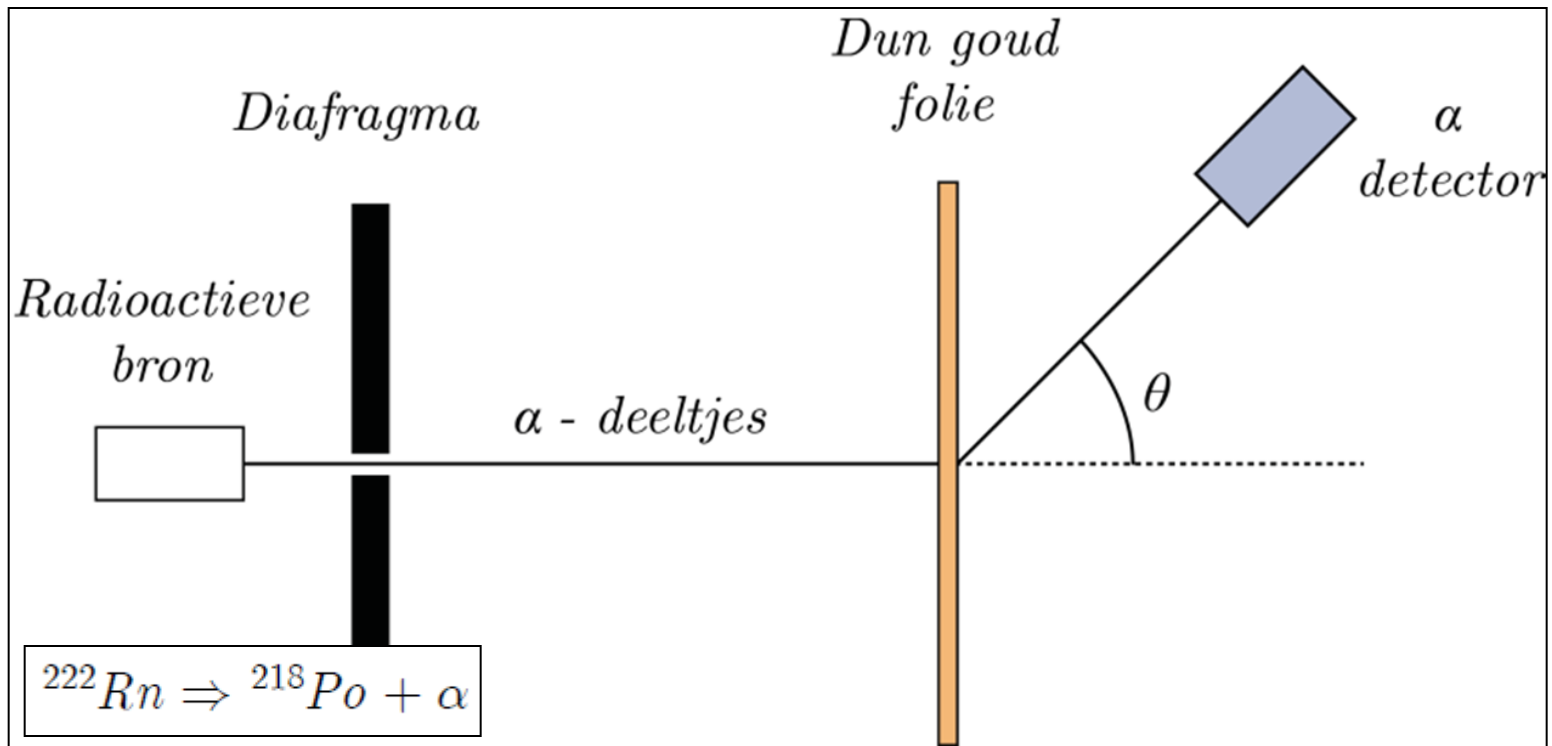
Phase space φ

contains kinematic information
masses, momenta

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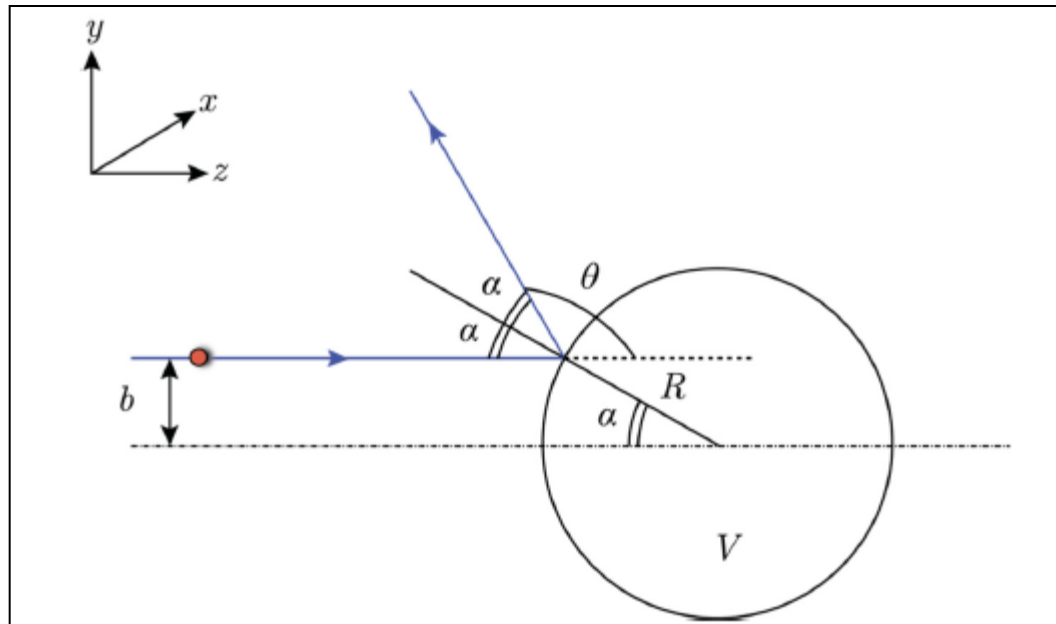
Rutherford

- Classical calculation of **cross section** of a scattering process



Rutherford

- Scatter from spherical potential
- Incoming: impact parameter between b and db
- Outgoing: scattering angle between θ and $d\theta$
- 3d: incoming particle "sees" surface $d\sigma$, and scatters off solid angle $d\Omega$



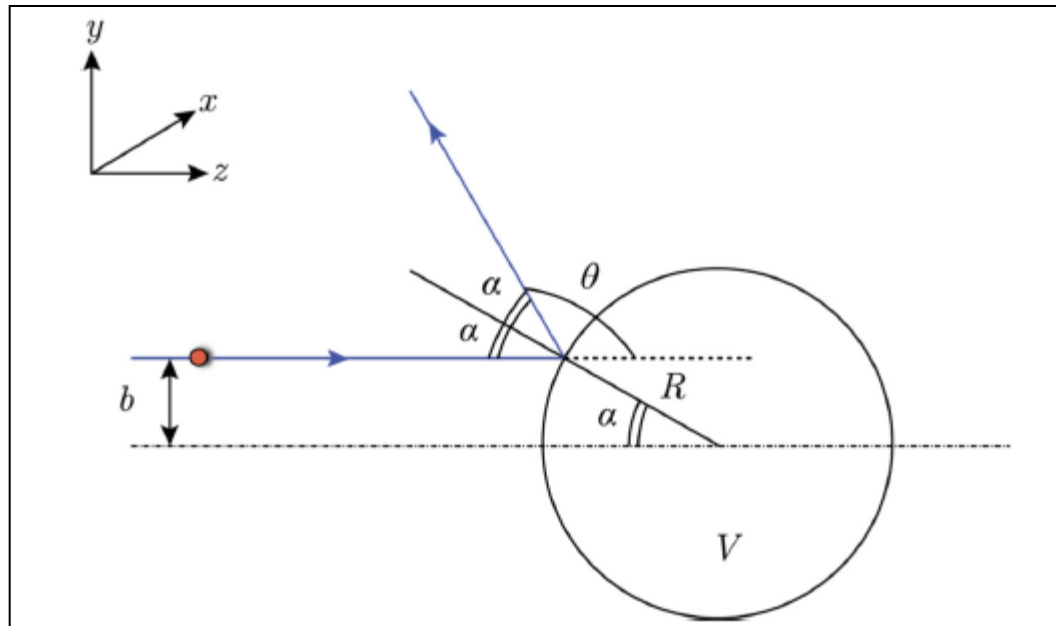
Rutherford

- 3d: incoming particle "sees" surface $d\sigma$, and scatters off solid angle $d\Omega$

- Calculate:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = D(\theta, \varphi)$$

$$d\sigma = |b db d\varphi|$$
$$d\Omega = |\sin \theta d\theta d\varphi|$$



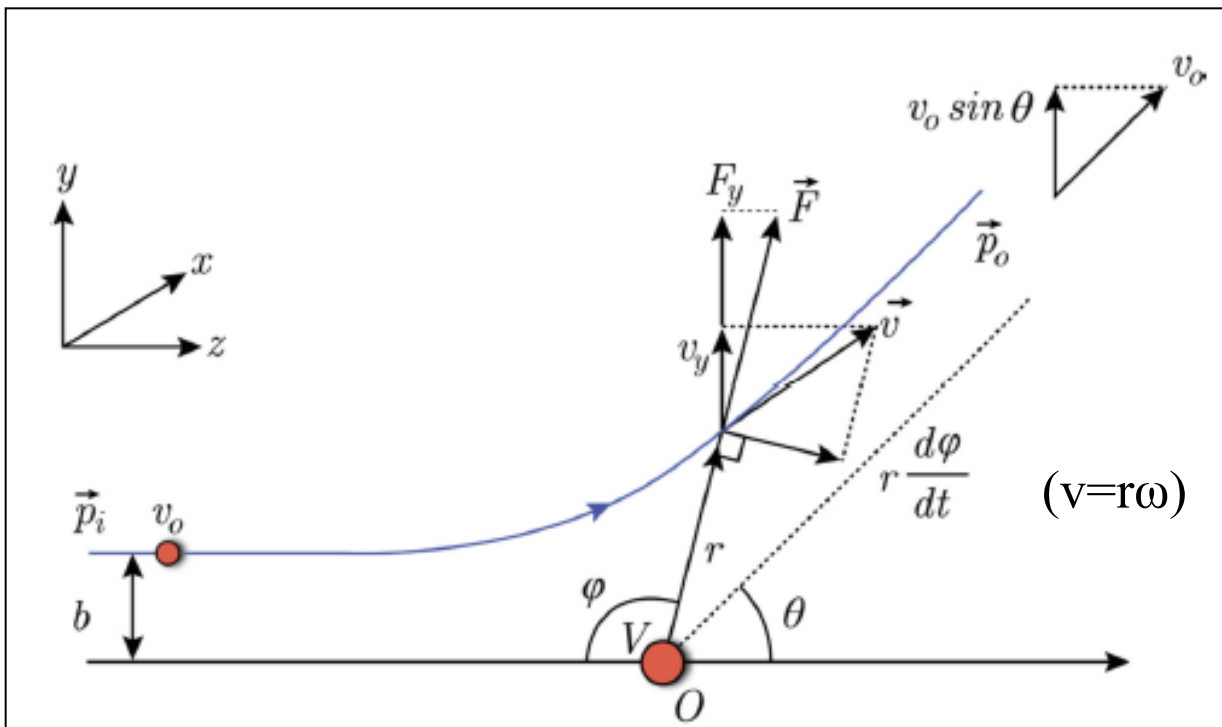
Rutherford

- 3d: incoming particle "sees" surface $d\sigma$, and scatters off solid angle $d\Omega$
- Conservation of angular momentum:
- Force:

Before $L = mv_0 b$

After: $L = mr \frac{d\phi}{dt} r$

$$F(r) = \frac{Z_1 Z_2 \alpha}{r^2}$$



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$$m \frac{dv_y}{dt} = F_y = F \sin \phi = \frac{Z_1 Z_2 \alpha}{r^2} \sin \phi$$

$$\frac{dv_y}{dt} = \frac{Z_1 Z_2 \alpha}{mv_0 b} \sin \phi \frac{d\phi}{dt}$$

$$\int_0^{v_0 \sin \theta} dv_y = \frac{Z_1 Z_2 \alpha}{mv_0 b} \int_{\cos \pi}^{\cos \theta} d \cos \phi$$

$= (\cos \theta + 1)$

$$\cot \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{mv_0^2}{Z_1 Z_2 \alpha} b$$

Replace r by b,
using L conservation

Use expression $b = \dots$


$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} &= \left| \frac{b}{\sin \theta} \frac{db}{d\theta} \right| \\ &= \left| \left(\frac{Z_1 Z_2 \alpha}{mv_0^2} \right)^2 \frac{\cot \frac{\theta}{2}}{\sin \theta} \frac{d \cot \frac{\theta}{2}}{d\theta} \right| \\ &= \left(\frac{Z_1 Z_2 \alpha}{mv_0^2} \right)^2 \frac{1}{4 \sin^4 \frac{\theta}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Rutherford scattering → Cross section

- Differential cross section

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left(\frac{Z_1 Z_2 \alpha}{mv_0^2} \right)^2 \frac{1}{4 \sin^4 \frac{\theta}{2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} p_i &= (E, 0, 0, mv_0) \\ p_o &= (E, 0, mv_0 \sin \theta, mv_0 \cos \theta) \\ q &\equiv p_i - p_o \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left(\frac{2mZ_1 Z_2 \alpha}{q^2} \right)^2$$


- Luminosity \mathcal{L}

- $\mathcal{L} = dN/d\sigma$
- Number of incoming particles per unit surface

$$dN = \mathcal{L} d\sigma = \mathcal{L} \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} d\Omega$$

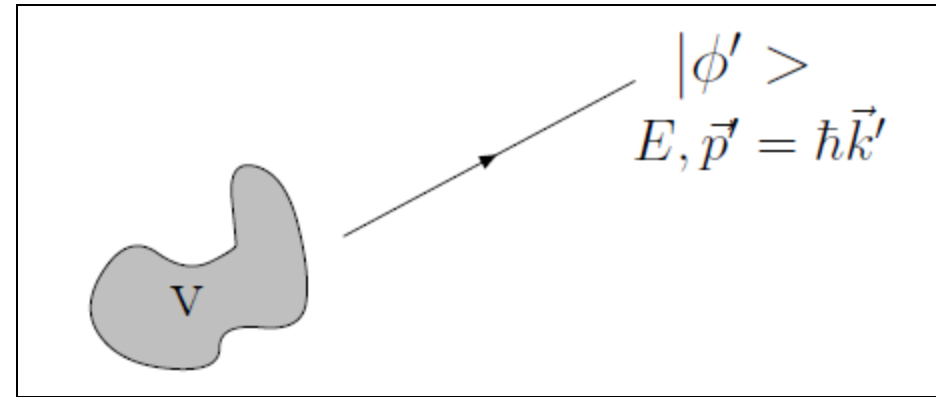
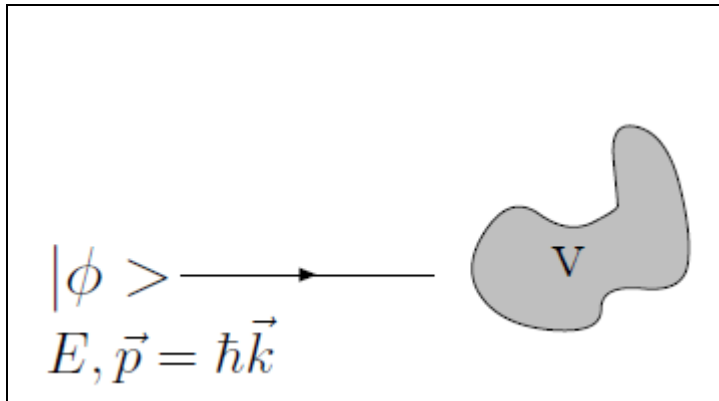
Scattering Theory: QM

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\nabla^2\psi(\vec{r},t) = i\hbar\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\psi(\vec{r},t)$$

- Describe a stationary state, that satisfies the incoming and outgoing wave

$$(\nabla^2 + k^2)\psi(\vec{r}) = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2}V(\vec{r})\psi(\vec{r})$$

$V \neq 0$
 $k^2 = 2mE$

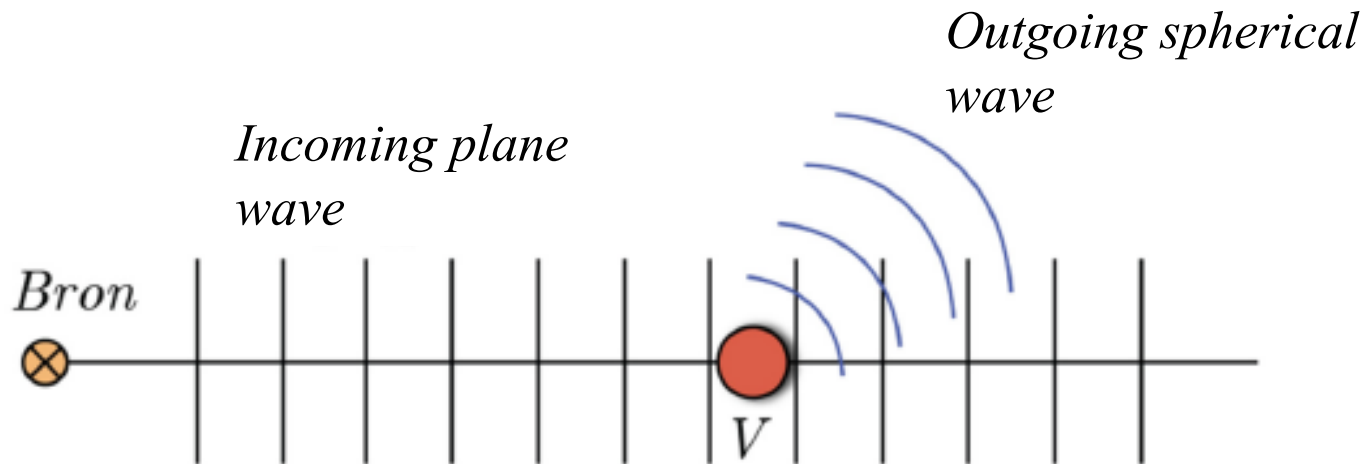


Scattering Theory: QM

- Describe a *stationary* state, that satisfies the incoming and outgoing wave

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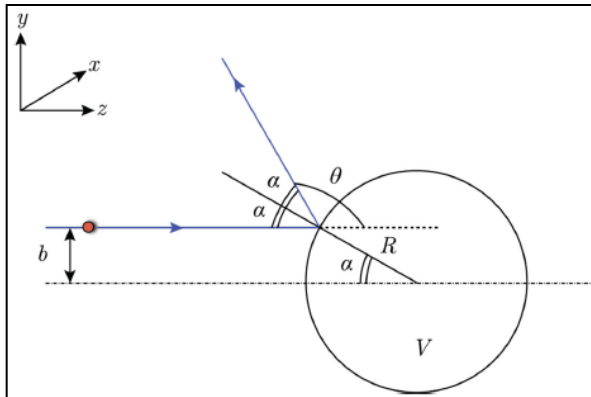
- Find a solution which is a superposition of the incoming wave, and the outgoing waves



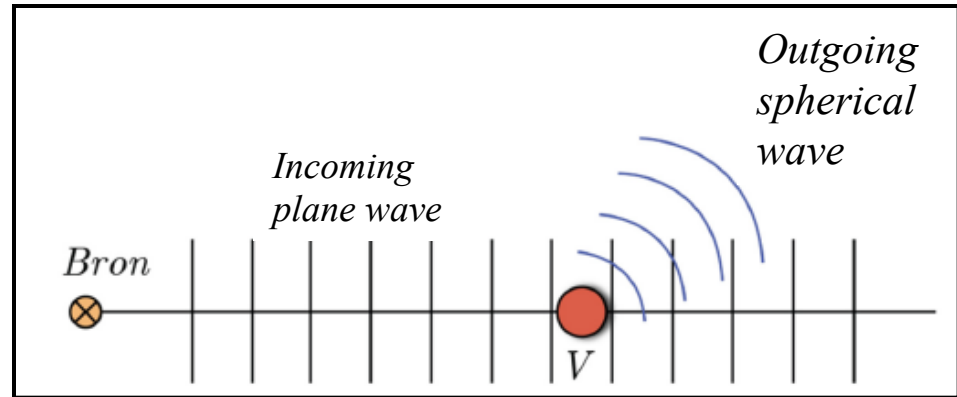
$$\Phi(\vec{r}) = \underbrace{\phi_a(\vec{r})}_{\text{ingoing}} + \underbrace{f(\vec{k}_a, \vec{k}_b)}_{\text{outgoing}} \frac{e^{ikr}}{r}$$

Scattering Theory: Quantum mechanics

Classical:



QM:



- Superposition of incoming wave and outgoing waves
- Scattering amplitude f calculated from potential V
 - Fourier transform of potential:

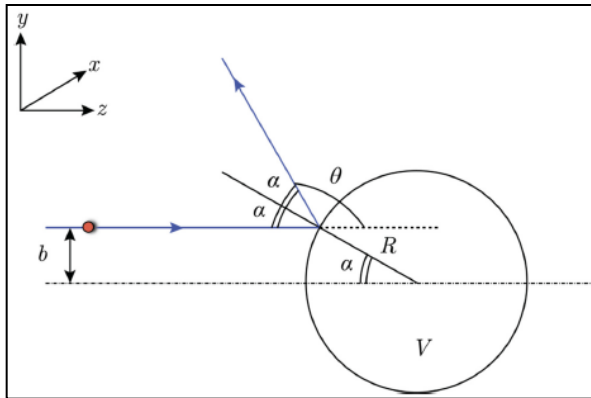
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$$f(\vec{k}_a, \vec{k}_b) = -\frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \int e^{-i\vec{k}_b \cdot \vec{r}'} V(\vec{r}') \Phi(\vec{r}') d^3r'$$

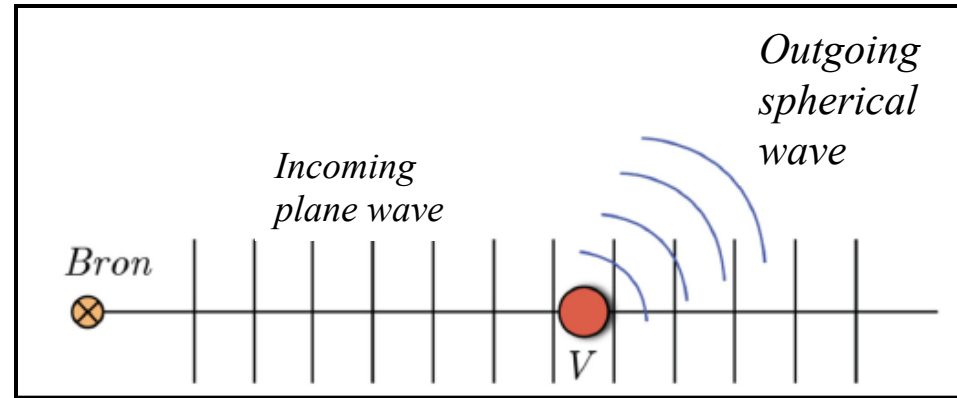
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = |f(\vec{k}_a, \vec{k}_b)|^2$$

Scattering Theory: Quantum mechanics

Classical:



QM:



- Yukawa:

$$V(r) = \frac{Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{r} e^{-ar}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = |f|^2 = \frac{m^2}{(2\pi\hbar^2)^2} \left[\frac{4\pi Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{q^2 + a^2} \right]^2$$

- Coulomb:

$$V(r) = \frac{Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{r}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{m^2}{(2\pi\hbar^2)^2} \left[\frac{4\pi Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{q^2} \right]^2 = \left[\frac{Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{2mv^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}} \right]^2$$

- Centrifugal Barrier:

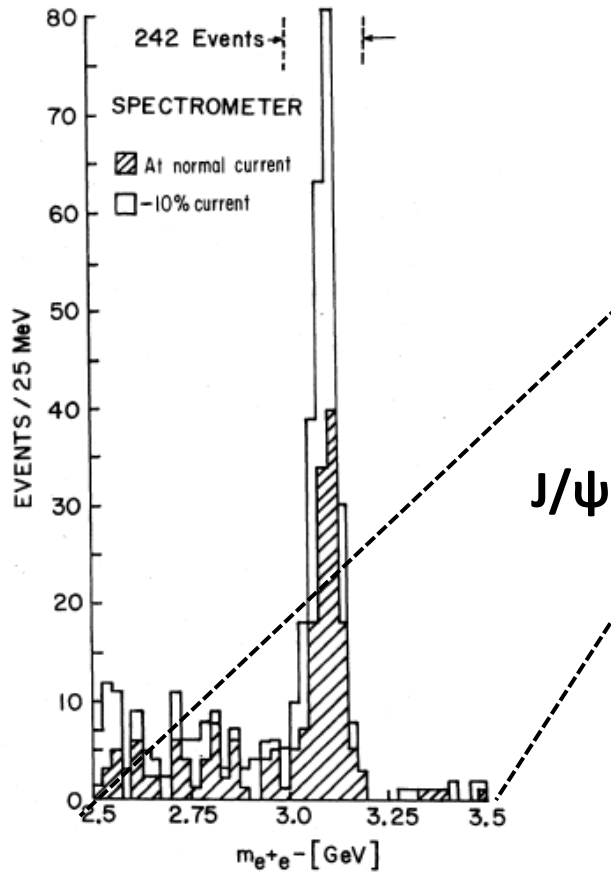
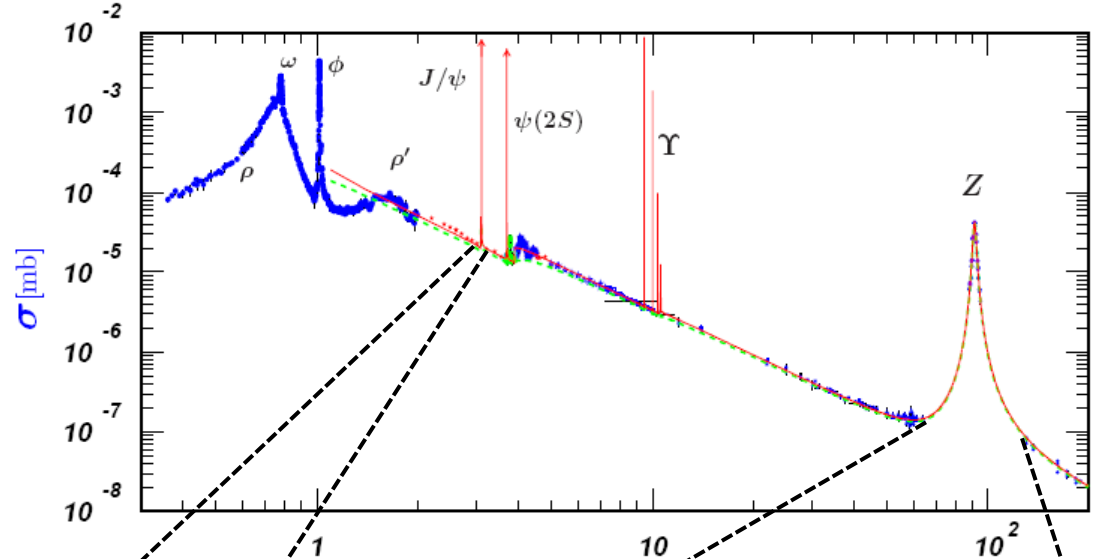
$$V_{eff} = V(r) + \frac{\hbar^2 l(l+1)}{2mr^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} &= |f^{res}(\theta)|^2 \\ &= \frac{(2l+1)^2}{k^2} \frac{\frac{\Gamma^2}{4}}{(E_r - E)^2 + \frac{\Gamma^2}{4}} |P_l(\cos \theta)|^2 \end{aligned}$$

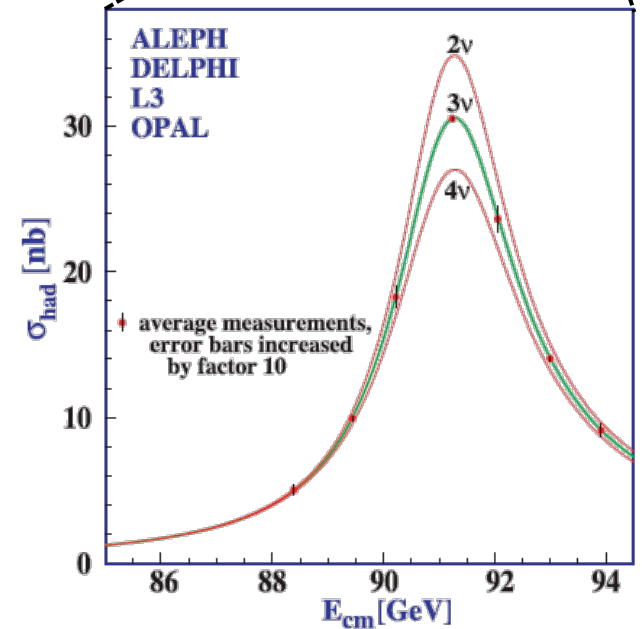
Well-known resonances

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow R \rightarrow e^+e^-$$

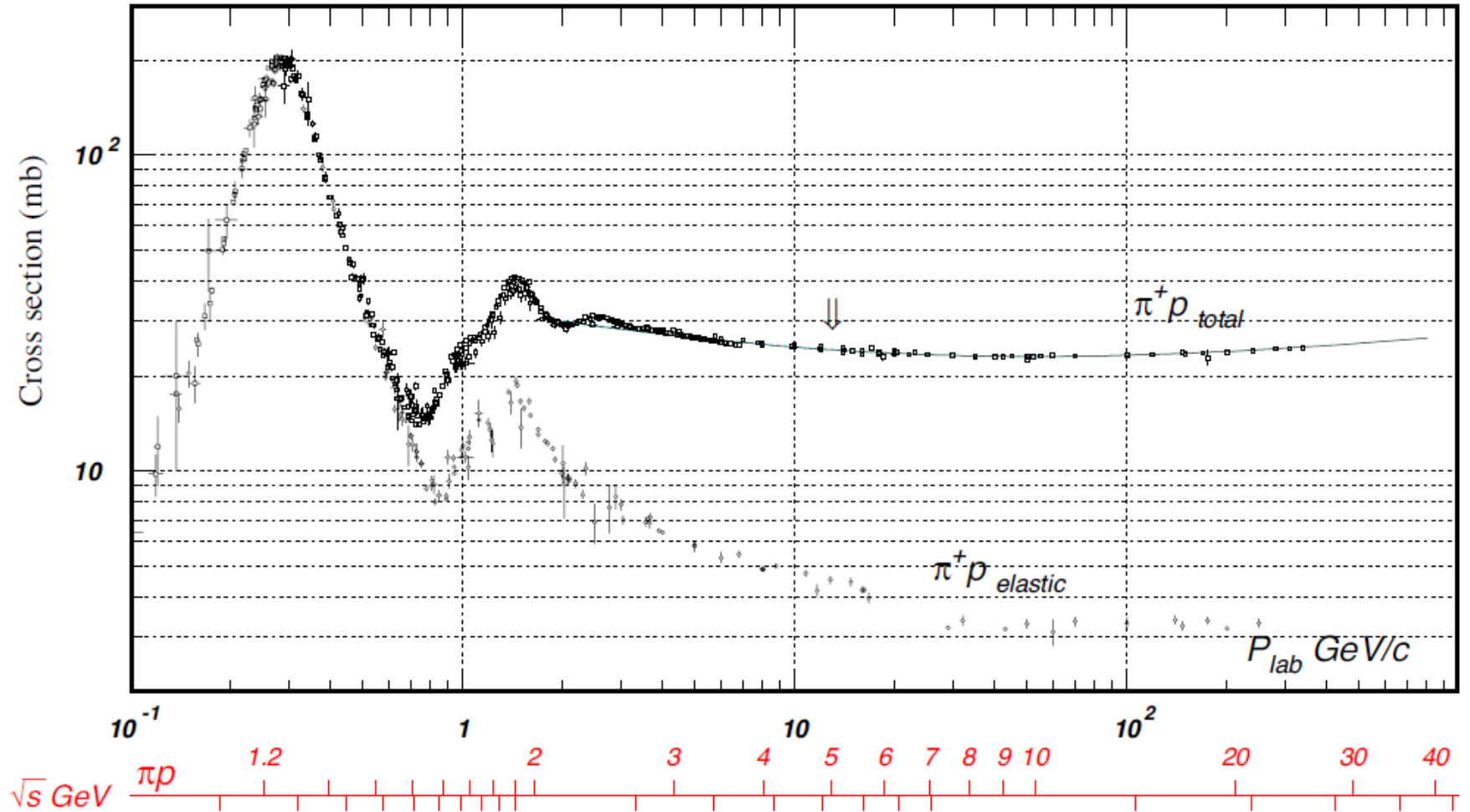
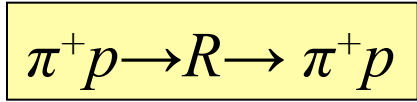
e^+e^- cross-section



Z-boson

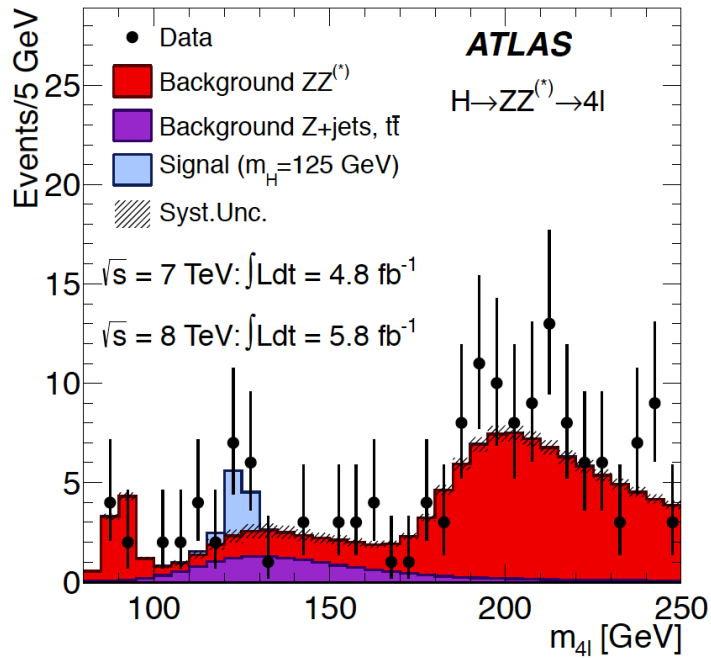


More resonances



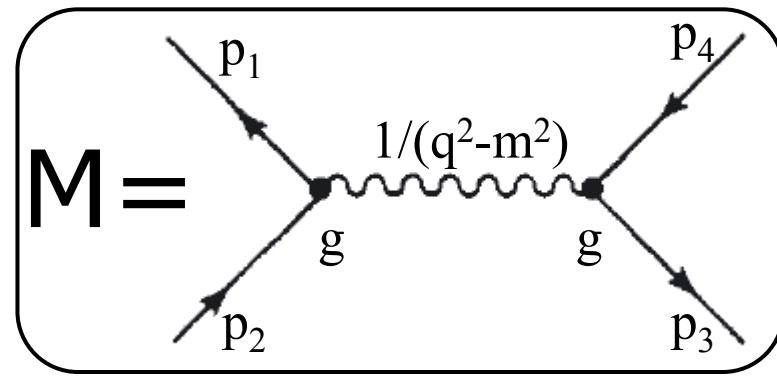
Why did we need this mathematical trickery?

- That is how we see and discover particles!
- As resonances!



Feynman Rules

- How to calculate amplitude M ?
- The 'drawing' is a mathematical object!



D.1 External Lines

- Spin 0: (nothing)
- Spin f : $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Incoming particle: } u \\ \text{Incoming antiparticle: } \bar{v} \\ \text{Outgoing particle: } \bar{u} \\ \text{Outgoing antiparticle: } v \end{array} \right.$
- Spin 1: $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Incoming: } \epsilon^\mu \\ \text{Outgoing: } \epsilon^{\mu*} \end{array} \right.$

D.2 Propagators

- Spin 0: $\frac{i}{q^2 - (mc)^2}$
- Spin f : $\frac{i(\not{q} + mc)}{q^2 - (mc)^2}$
- Spin 1: $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Massless: } -ig_{\mu\nu} \\ \qquad \qquad q^\epsilon \\ \text{Massive: } -i[g_{\mu\nu} - q_\mu q_\nu / (mc)^2] \\ \qquad \qquad q^2 - (mc)^2 \end{array} \right.$

D.3 Vertex Factors



$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} \int d^4q (-ig)^2 \frac{i}{q^2 - m_C^2} (2\pi)^4 \delta(q - p_1 - p_2) (2\pi)^4 \delta(q - p_3 - p_4) \\
 & - (-ig)^2 \frac{i}{(p_1 + p_2)^2 - m_C^2} (2\pi)^4 \delta(p_1 + p_2 - p_3 - p_4) \Rightarrow \\
 -i\mathcal{M}_b & - (-ig)^2 \frac{i}{(p_1 + p_2)^2 - m_C^2} \Rightarrow \mathcal{M}_b - \frac{g^2}{(p_1 + p_2)^2 - m_C^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

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Those lines in the Feynman diagrams? They do not depict particle paths. No they don't. They're visual aids that encode long formulas by help of which you can calculate the outcome of certain experiments. Yes, it's all abstract math. Not, they do not depict particle paths.



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Plan

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	2) Scattering theory	
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	1) Isospin, strangeness	
	2) Quark model, GIM	
1965-1975	4) Standard Model	24 Mar
	1) QED	
	2) Parity, neutrinos, weak inteaction	
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1975-2000	5) e^+e^- and DIS	21 Apr
2000-2015	6) Higgs and CKM	12 May

Extra: derivation of scattering amplitude f

Scattering Theory

- Describe a stationary state, that satisfies the incoming and outgoing wave

$$(\nabla^2 + k^2) \psi(\vec{r}) = \frac{2m}{\hbar^2} V(\vec{r}) \psi(\vec{r})$$

- Incoming particle (almost) free: $(\nabla^2 + k^2) \phi(\vec{r}) = 0$
- Introduce Green function such: $(\nabla^2 + k^2) G(\vec{r}|\vec{r}') = \delta(\vec{r} - \vec{r}')$
- If we know G, then the solution for $(\nabla^2 + k^2) \phi(\vec{r}) = A(\vec{r})$
- is indeed a sum of the 2 waves: $\Phi(\vec{r}) = \phi_a(\vec{r}) + \int G(\vec{r}|\vec{r}') A(\vec{r}') d^3r' = \phi_a(\vec{r}) + \phi_{sc}(\vec{r})$

- With: $G_{(+)} = -\frac{e^{ik|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|}}{4\pi|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|}$

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- Large r:

$$k|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'| \approx kr - (\vec{k}_b \cdot \vec{r}')$$

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- f: “scattering amplitude”:

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- which we will use for:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = |f(\vec{k}_a, \vec{k}_b)|^2$$

➤ Differential equation became integral equation, but how do we solve it??

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➤ How do we solve it?? Not analytic... → Perturbation series!

- 1st approximation:

$$\Phi(\vec{r}) = \phi_a(\vec{r}) - \frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \int \frac{e^{ik|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|}}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|} V(\vec{r}') \phi_a(\vec{r}') d^3r'$$
$$f^{[1]}(\vec{k}_a, \vec{k}_b) = \frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \int e^{i(\vec{k}_a - \vec{k}_b) \cdot \vec{r}'} V(\vec{r}') d^3r'$$

➤ Scattered wave is described by Fourier transform of the potential

Scattering Theory

- Let's try the Yukawa potential

$$V(r) = \frac{Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{r} e^{-ar}$$

$$\Phi(\vec{r}) = \phi_a(\vec{r}) - \frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \int \frac{e^{ik|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|}}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|} V(\vec{r}') \phi_a(\vec{r}') d^3r'$$

$$f^{[1]}(\vec{k}_a, \vec{k}_b) = \frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \int e^{i(\vec{k}_a - \vec{k}_b) \cdot \vec{r}'} V(\vec{r}') d^3r'$$

$$f(\vec{k}_a, \vec{k}_b) = -\frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} Z_1 Z_2 e^2 \int \frac{e^{-ar'}}{r'} e^{i(\vec{k}_a - \vec{k}_b) \cdot \vec{r}'} d^3r' = -\frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \frac{4\pi Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{q^2 + a^2}$$

- Yukawa:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = |f|^2 = \frac{m^2}{(2\pi\hbar^2)^2} \left[\frac{4\pi Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{q^2 + a^2} \right]^2$$

- Coulomb ($a \rightarrow 0$):

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{m^2}{(2\pi\hbar^2)^2} \left[\frac{4\pi Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{q^2} \right]^2 = \left[\frac{Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{2mv^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2}} \right]^2$$

- We found back the classical solution from Rutherford

Interpretation

$$\Phi(\vec{r}) = \underbrace{\phi_a(\vec{r})}_{\text{ingoing}} + \underbrace{f(\vec{k}_a, \vec{k}_b)}_{\text{outgoing}} \frac{e^{ikr}}{r}$$

- Consider again the amplitude:
(Fourier transform of potential)

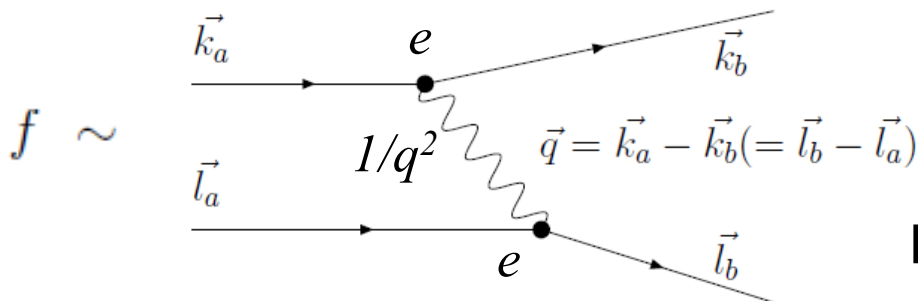
$$f(\vec{k}_b, \vec{k}_a) = \frac{-m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \int d\vec{r}' e^{i(\vec{k}_a - \vec{k}_b) \cdot \vec{r}'} V(\vec{r}')$$

$$V(r) = -\frac{\alpha}{r}$$

$$f(\vec{k}_b, \vec{k}_a) = -\frac{2m\alpha}{q^2} \quad q = |\vec{k}_b - \vec{k}_a|$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{4m^2\alpha^2}{q^4}$$

- We used quantum mechanics,
- but with relativistic quantum field theory, the concept is similar:



$$f \sim e \cdot e \cdot \text{propagator}$$

Feynman diagram

Scattering Theory

- Let's try an effective potential:

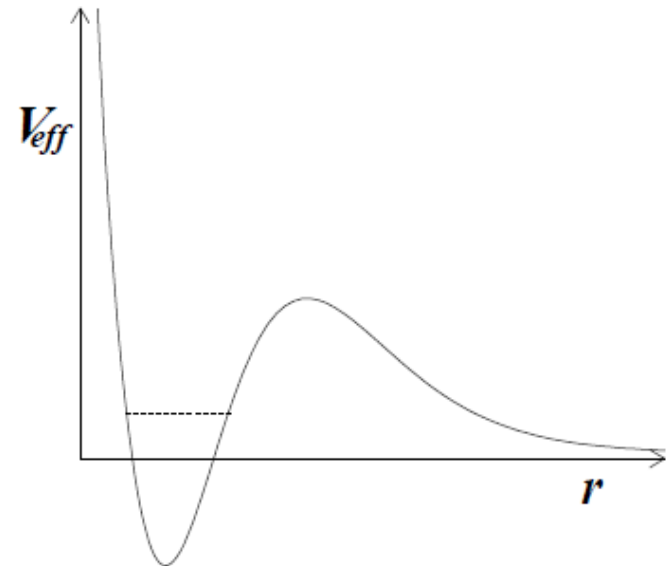
$$V_{eff} = V(r) + \frac{\hbar^2 l(l+1)}{2mr^2}$$

$$f^{res}(\theta) = \frac{(2l+1)}{k} \frac{\Gamma/2}{(E_r - E) - i\Gamma/2} P_l(\cos\theta)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} &= |f^{res}(\theta)|^2 \\ &= \frac{(2l+1)^2}{k^2} \frac{\frac{\Gamma^2}{4}}{(E_r - E)^2 + \frac{\Gamma^2}{4}} |P_l(\cos\theta)|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\sigma_l = \frac{4\pi(2l+1)}{k^2} \frac{\frac{\Gamma^2}{4}}{(E_r - E)^2 + \frac{\Gamma^2}{4}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(\vec{r}) &= \phi_a(\vec{r}) - \frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \int \frac{e^{ik|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|}}{|\vec{r}-\vec{r}'|} V(\vec{r}') \phi_a(\vec{r}') d^3r' \\ f^{[1]}(\vec{k}_a, \vec{k}_b) &= \frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \int e^{i(\vec{k}_a - \vec{k}_b) \cdot \vec{r}'} V(\vec{r}') d^3r' \end{aligned}$$

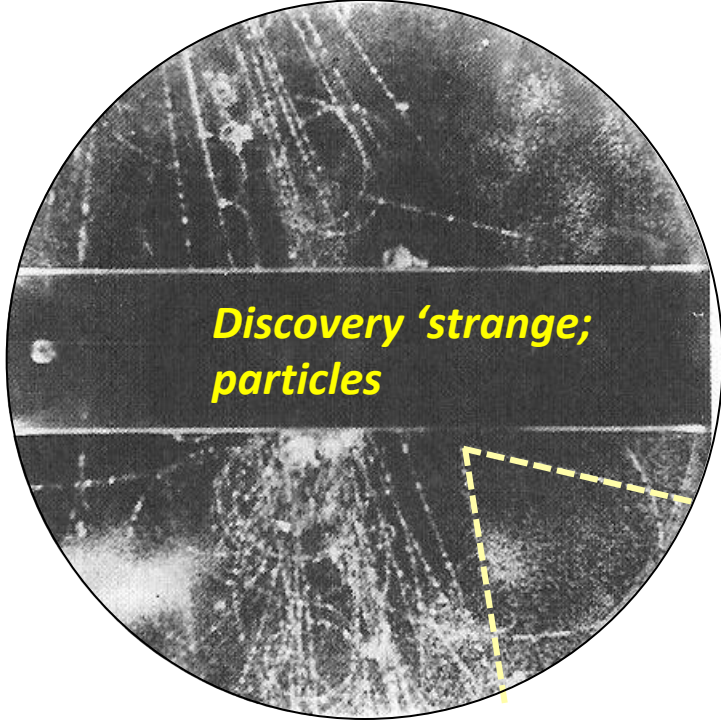
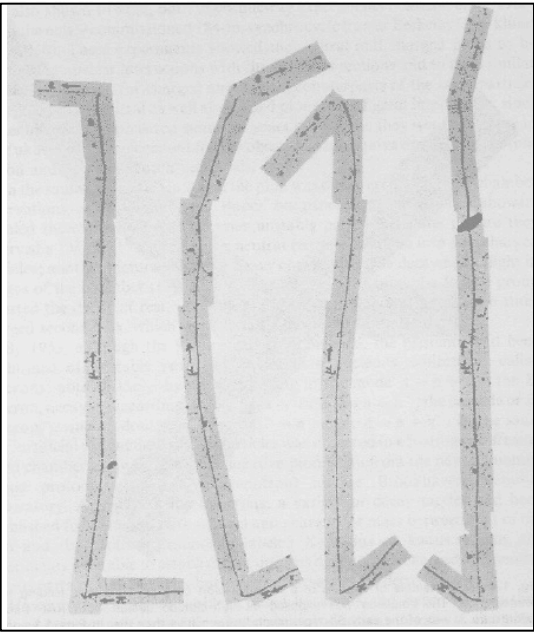


Scattering to this potential can lead to a bound system, that can then "tunnel away"

➤ We found the non-relativistic Breit-Wigner resonance formula!

Use cosmic rays

Discovery pions / muons



Discovery anti-matter

