

PHY3004: Nuclear and Particle Physics Marcel Merk, Jacco de Vries



The Standard Model



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Our Research: "Forbidden decays & QC"



The Goal of these Lectures

- A first course in particle physics theory and experiment
 - Solid preparation for a master on particle physics
 - Pre-reqs are special relativity ("4-vectors"), Lagrange-Hamilton mechanics, Quantum Mechanics
 - Please give these topics attention in tutorials if you need to refresh them
- Various topics introduced
 - Cannot go to "too deep" in each topic
 - Aim is to give you a "feel" for the subject
 - Quite some mathematics later on, but focus on the concepts if you find the math difficult!
- Follow-up possibilities in master education:
 - Theoretical Particle Physics: Field theory courses
 - Theoretical and Experimental Particle Physics: Advanced particle physics courses
 - Experimental Particle Physics: Detection techniques for particles

Particle Physics – contents of the course

- Week 1: "Particles"
 - Nuclear Physics and Particle Physics
- <u>Week 2:</u> "Forces"
 - Electromagnetism, Weak force, Strong force
- Week 3: "Waves"
 - Wave Equations
 - Schrodinger, Klein Gordon, Dirac, Photon-field
 - Lagrange Hamilton mechanics and Gauge Invariance
- <u>Week 4</u>: "Symmetries"
 - The Standard Model gauge symmetry
 - Discrete symmetries
 - Symmetry breaking: the Higgs Mechanism
- <u>Week 5</u>: "Scattering"
 - Scattering Theory
 - Feynman Calculus
- Week 6: "Experiments"
 - Experimental techniques, LHC detectors

• Week 1 – 5:

٠	Homework exercises	20%

- Tutor discussions 15%
- Week 6: Research Project
- Presentation 15%
- Week 7: Open book Exam 50%

Videos: see https://www.nikhef.nl/~i93/Teaching

Literature belonging to the lectures:

• Griffiths: "Introduction to Elementary Particles"

Other good books (more advanced):

- Mark Thomson: "Modern Particle Physics"
- Halzen and Martin: "Quarks & Leptons: An introductory Course in Modern Particle Physics"
- Aitchison and Hey: "Gauge Theories in Particle Physics" – 2 volumes
- Lecture notes PP1 master course from Nikhef: <u>https://www.nikhef.nl/~i93/Master/PP1/2017/Le</u> <u>ctures/Lecture2017.pdf</u>

Tools: Relativity and Quantum Mechanics



How does nature behave in extreme conditions?



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The Large Hadron Collider

Big Open Questions

Big Bang

Inflation

Expansion

time

Present Day Acceleration

Big Open Questions

1. Which are the elementary building blocks of matter?

2. Which forces exist in nature and what are their essential differences?

3. Is empty space ('the vacuum') truly empty?

4. Can we explain the existance of our universe from the *big bang* using the known laws of nature?

Inflation

• Wanted: a consistent theory that can answer these questions

 $\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I} &= -\frac{1}{4} F_{AL} F^{AU} \\ &+ i \mathcal{F} \mathcal{D} \mathcal{Y} + h.c. \\ &+ \mathcal{Y}_{i} \mathcal{Y}_{ij} \mathcal{Y}_{ij} \mathcal{P}_{i} \mathcal{P}_{i} + h.c. \\ &+ |\mathbf{P}_{A} \mathcal{P}|^{2} - V(\mathcal{O}) \end{aligned}$



Present Day Acceleration

Part 1

The Structure of Matter (Nuclear Physics)

See the online slides Not part of the exam material

Lecture 1: "Particles"



Building Blocks of Matter



Stable Matter on Earth



Which mental picture do you make of an atom?

Classic picture of the atom



- Does something "move"?
- How empty is it?
- How does an electron "exist"?











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Discovery of the Electron

- JJ Thomson (1897): Cathode rays are bent by electric and magnetic field
 - Charged particles
 - Compensate Electric and Magnetic deflection:

$$F_E = F_B$$

$$qE = qvB ; v = \frac{E}{B}$$

- 2. Only B-field, cycle orbit:
 - $F_c = F_B$ $\frac{mv^2}{r} = qvB$

- $\int \frac{1}{m} = \overline{rB^2}$ Electrons are
- Electrons are much lighter than ions of same charge!







Rutherford Scattering



- Atom is basically just vacuum:
 - Atom size: ~ $10^{-10} m$
 - Nucleus size: ~ $10^{-15} m$

• Rutherford (1911)

- α -particles at gold target
- Most particle pass undisturbed, few have a "hard" collision

Griffiths §1.1

• Atom has substructure: small heavy nucleus





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Bohr Atom

- Niels Bohr, 1914:
 - Calculate atomic energy levels using semi classical method



$$n = 3$$

$$n = 2$$

$$n = 1$$

$$\Delta E = hv$$

• Balmer spectrum of visible wavelengths in hydrogen:



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Exercise-2 "Pub Quizz":

- 1: How come an atom is stable?
- 2: What hits each other when you clap your hands?
- 3: Why does a hydrogen electron not interact with the proton?









Nuclear Physics

- Nuclei include protons, p
 - Masses of nuclei studied in chemistry (Avogadro)
 - Hydrogen = 1 proton: $M_H = 1 \, GeV/c^2 = 200 \, M_e$
- Study *q/m* of nuclei:
 - Masses of nuclei do not scale with charge, but with $A \approx 2 \times Z$
 - A= mass number, Z=atomic number = nucleus charge
 - What keeps heavy nuclei together?
- Chadwick 1932: Discovery of neutron, n
 - Neutron has almost same mass as proton
 - Neutrons act as a glue to nucleons in the nucleus
 - Later we will see it is due to the gluon color force
- Notation: $_{Z}^{A}$ MyAtom, with Z = #p, A = #(p + n)
 - Isotopes: same #p , different #n





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- Pauli exclusion principle: Two fermions (protons, neutrons) cannot be at the same position
 - The potential must have a very strong repulsive core at small r

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- Potential square well model
 - For protons there is a "Coulomb barrier" V_B
 - Beyond the range *R* it is negligible
 - With Rutherford scattering the range can be determined
 - $R \propto A^{1/3}$
- Nuclear force generated my exchange of ma: Neutron



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Griffiths: problem 1.2, PP1 §i.2

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- In 1937 a particle with the correct mass was found in cosmic rays, but it did not interact with nuclei!
 - "Who ordered that?" (Isidor Rabi). It was the muon.
- In 1947 the pion was discovered





The nucleon-nucleon potential

- Woods Saxon Potential, 1954
 - $V(r) = -\frac{V_0}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{r-R}{a}\right)}$
 - Nuclear Radius: $R = 1.25 \text{ fm} \times A^{1/3}$ A is mass number, $V_0 \approx 50 \text{ MeV}$, $a \approx 0.5 \text{ fm}$
- Many models in 1970 1990
 - Reid Potential, 1968, (semi-empirical) implements repulsive core:
 - repulsive core: • $V_{Reid}(R) = -10.463 \frac{e^{-\mu r}}{\mu r} - 1650.6 \frac{e^{-4\mu r}}{\mu r} + 6482.2 \frac{e^{-7\mu r}}{\mu r}$
 - Famous nucleon-nucleon potential is the Nijmegen potential:
 - De Swart, Rijken et al., 1980 1990
 - https://arxiv.org/pdf/nucl-th/9509024.pdf





Binding Energy

- The energy of the state inside the potential well is lower than the energy of free particles
- If you "build" a nucleus from free particles energy becomes available: "binding energy"
- This appears by a reduction of mass: the nucleus is lighter than the sum of its components.
- Binding energy: $E = \Delta m c^2$
- $\Delta m = m_{nucleus} (N_p M_p + N_n M_n)$ = $m_{nucleus} - (ZM_p + (A - Z)M_n) < 0$
 - This holds for all bound systems
 - Hydrogen: $m_p + m_e = m_H + 13.6 \, eV/c^2$
 - Deuterium: $m_p + m_n = M_D + 1.7 MeV/c^2$
- ⁵⁶Fe has the highes binding for syity





Nuclear decay (Radioactivity)

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 Henri Becquerel, Pierre and Marie Curie:
 - Unstable nucleus
 - Quantum tunneling process



Becquerel discovery: X-rays

- Rutherford classification into: alpha, beta, gamma decays
 - alpha and beta decay changes chemical element (Z)
- In nature things decay exponentially:
 - Equal probability per unit time:
 - $-dN = \lambda N dt$ $N(t) = N_0 e^{-\lambda t} = N_0 e^{-t/\tau}$
 - Halflife:

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PE_{tot}

Pulled together

Repelled

Attractive nuclear

Repulsive Coulomb

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Penetrating power

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 Alpha particles stopped by piece of paper

 Beta particles stopped by sheet of aluminium

 Gamma particles stopped by layer of lead


Nuclear Decays

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Radioactive Elements



1

2

3

Period 2

6

7

104 yr At least one stable element exists 100 yr 100 Slightly radioactive $\tau_{1/2}$ ~ millions of years 1 yr Z = N10⁶ s 80 Radioactive: $\tau_{1/2}$ ~ thousands of years 10^4 s 100 s 60 Highly radioactive: $\tau_{1/2} \sim \text{minutes to weeks}$ 1sExtremely radioactive: $\tau_{1/2}$ ~seconds 40 10^{-2} s Ш Ш IV 10⁻⁴ s 1 н 20 10⁻⁶ s 3 4 5 6 no data Ве В С Ν Li 20 40 60 100 80 12 15 13 14 11 Ρ Mg AI Si Na 29 30 32 33 20 21 22 24 25 26 27 28 31 19 23 Ti ۷ Cr Mn Fe Со Ni Cu Zn As Са Sc Ga Ge κ 37 38 39 40 42 44 45 46 47 48 50 51 41 49 43 Rb Υ Nb Мо Rh Pd Ag Cd Sn Sb Sr Zr Ru Тс In 55 56 58 59 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 78 79 80 81 82 57 60 77 61 83 Ce Pr Но Yb Sm Eu Gd Tb Dy Er Tm Pt Hg Cs Ва La Nd Pm Lu Hf Та W Re 0s Au ΤI Pb Bi lr. 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 93 99 100 101 102 103 104 105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112 113 114 115 Ra Pa Cf Db Rg Ac Th Pu Am Cm Bk Es Fm Md Rf Ds Cn

160

140

120

stable 10¹⁴ vr

 $10^{12} \, {\rm vr}$

10¹⁰ yr

 10^{1} yr

106 yr

VII

9

F

17

CI

35

Br

53

85

At

117

Uus

VIII

2

Не

10

Ne

18

Ar

36

Kr

54

Хе

86

Rn

118

VL

8

0

16

S

34

Se

52

Те

84

Po

116

Lv
Units in Radiation and Tissue

- Activity:
 - Number of disintegrations in a radioactive source is used to measure the intensity of the source
 - Main unit is Bequerel (Bq). 1 Bq is one event per second (typical kBq, MBq, GBq)
- Absorbed dose (exposure for X-rays):
 - The amount of energy coming from a source that is absorbed in a tissue. Used to assess the potential for biochemical changes in specific tissues.
 - Main unit is Gray (Gy). 1 Gy means that one kg of matter absorbed one joule of energy (typical mGy)
- Equivalent or biological dose:
 - Used to assess how much biological damage is expected from the absorbed dose. Different types of radiation have different damaging properties
 - Main unit is Sievert (Sv). 1 Sv equal 1 Gy multiplied by a weighting factor
- Effective dose:
 - Used to assess the potential for long-term effects that might occur in future. Takes into account all the organs in the body, the timespan of irradiation etc.

Units in Radiation and Tissue

Ionizing radiation related quantities view · talk · edit							
Quantity	Unit	Symbol	Derivation	Year	<u>SI</u> equivalence		
Absorbed dose (D)	gray	Gy	J⋅kg ⁻¹	1974	SI unit		
Absorbed dose (D)	erg per gram	erg/g	erg∙g ⁻¹	1950	$1.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ Gy}$		
Absorbed dose (D)	<u>rad</u>	rad	100 erg·g ⁻¹	1953	0.010 Gy		
Activity (A)	<u>becquerel</u>	Bq	S ⁻¹	1974	SI unit		
Activity (A)	<u>curie</u>	Ci	$3.7 \times 10^{10} \text{s}^{-1}$	1953	3.7×10 ¹⁰ Bq		
Activity (A)	<u>rutherford</u>	Rd	10 ⁶ s ⁻¹	1946	1,000,000 Bq		
Equivalent dose (H)	<u>sievert</u>	Sv	$J \cdot kg^{-1} \times \underline{W}_{\underline{R}}$	1977	SI unit		
Equivalent dose (H)	<u>röntgen equivalent</u> <u>man</u>	rem	100 erg·g ⁻¹ x <u>₩</u> _R	1971	0.010 Sv		
Exposure (X)	<u>coulomb</u> per <u>kilogram</u>	C/kg	C·kg ^{−1} of air	1974	SI unit		
Exposure (X)	<u>röntgen</u>	R	<u>esu</u> / 0.001293 g of air	1928	2.58 × 10 ⁻⁴ C/kg		

How does Radiocarbon dating work?



Percentages show the fraction of the total carbon reservoir of each type. Numbers after slash show ratio of ¹⁴C to ¹²C as fraction of atmospheric ratio.

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- Spin-spin coupling (pairing term), lowers energy if even #p or even #n:
 - $\propto \delta A^{-3/4}$ (empirical) where $\delta = \{-1, 0, 1\}$ if $= \{Z \text{ and } N = \text{even }, A = \text{odd}, Z \text{ and } N = \text{odd}\}$
- Binding energy (semi-empirical): $E_B = a_1 A - a_2 A^{2/3} - a_3 \frac{Z^2}{A^{1/3}} - a_4 \frac{(N-Z)^2}{A} + \delta a_5 A^{-3/4}$
- Bethe-Weizsacker empirical mass formula: $M(A,Z) = (A - Z)m_n + Z(m_p) - \frac{E_B}{c^2}$

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Values:









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See Wikipedia:

A = 16

Higher energy

|N - Z| = 4

Lower energy

|N - Z| = 0



Binding Enversizsätikagisenti-enhaltische formule





- Fits quite well
- Cannot explain 'peaks' that occur at 'magic numbers' where the nucleus is strongly bound.
 - N or Z = 2, 8, 20, 28, 50, 82, 126
- Double magic nuclei (both *N* and *Z* are magic):
 - ⁴He, ¹⁶O, ⁴⁰Ca, ⁴⁸Ca, ⁴⁸Ni, ²⁰⁸Pb

Nuclear Shell model (1949)

- Similar to the atomic shell model (remember hydrogen atom) for electrons):
 - Atomic shells: Energy levels; *n*, *l*, *s* quantum numbers
 - Solution of Schrodinger equation (QED)

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$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\psi = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\nabla^2\psi + V\psi$$
 with $V = -\frac{e^2}{4\pi\varepsilon_0}\frac{1}{r}$

- Now strong force: which potential *V*?
 - Use the nuclear potential
 - Try square well, try Harmonic oscillator, $V = \mu \omega^2 r^2/2$ Need something inbetween.
 - Woods Saxon works well: $V(r) = -\frac{V_0}{1 + \exp(\frac{r-R}{r})}$
 - Spin orbit interaction is stronger than in atom
- Nuclear shells "magic numbers":
 - Count energy levels of shells including spin:
 - 2x1=2, 2x(1+3)=8, 2x(1+3+6)=20,...
 - Filled shell \rightarrow more tightly bound \rightarrow larger E_B



Nuclear Fission and Fusion



• Heavy elements: less binding energy per nucleon (=more mass)

235

- Transition heavy \rightarrow light: free some mass \rightarrow energy ($E = mc^2$)
- Form high mass unstable isotope: eg. ${}^{235}_{92}U + 1$ neutron. Reaction: ${}^{236}_{92}U \rightarrow {}^{141}_{56}Ba + {}^{92}_{36}Kr + 3{}^{1}_{o}n$ 236.045568 $u \rightarrow 140.914411u + 91.926156u + 3 \times 1.008644u$ $\Delta m = 0.18u \Rightarrow E = \Delta m c^2 = 2.68 \times 10^{-11} J = 168 MeV$
- Note: $^{235}_{92}U$ occurs as 0.72% natural Uranium
 - To use it as an energy source it must be enriched (centrifuge)
- E_B turned into kinetic energy \rightarrow high temperature \rightarrow steam
 - Nuclear reactors: controlled reaction, moderators for neutron absorption
 - Nuclear bombs: uncontrolled reaction

Nuclear Fusion

- Light elements fuse to free energy (Δm)
- Need to overcome Coulomb barrier in order to fuse together
 - Fuse H or D



- Classically possible to fuse?
 - Would require extremely high kinetic energy → unrealistic temperature
 - Sun would not burn!
- Quantum mechanical tunneling helps:
 - Go through the barrier instead of over it
 - Gamow factor

Nuclear Fusion: lab

- Fusion for power: need high energies and densities
 - ITER in France
- 150×10⁶ °C
- Challenges:
 - keep confined
 - Keep sustained







ITER in 2020



Nuclear Fusion: Universe

- Fusion in stars:
 - Proton-proton chain reaction (sun)
 - CNO catalytic cycle ($m_{star} > 1.3 m_{sun}$)



• How are heavy elements formed in the universe?

See Wikipedia: Nucleosynthesis

• Colliding neutron stars



- a) Calculate the energy released if 1 gram of U-235 splits into La-148 + Br-87.
- b) Calculate the energy released in the fusion process of 0.5 grams of heavy water (D2O) with 0.5 grams of superheavy water (T2O), creating He-4 and a neutron. You may neglect the binding energies of the molecules.
- c) Compare the energies released per gram of fuel calculated above. Which would you prefer?

Part 2 Subatomic Particles

Particle Physics: Historical introduction – Griffiths chapter 1



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The classic era

- ~1900: Lord Kelvin on physics:
 - "There is nothing new to be discovered in physics now. All that remain is more and more precise measurements."
 - Enter Relativity Theory and Quantum Mechanics
- 1896-1897 Becquerel, Röntgen, Marie & Pierre Curie discover *radiation*
- 1897: J.J Thomson noted cathode rays are quantized particles, charge to mass ratio: discovery of *electrons*
- 1900: Planck: The blackbody spectrum can be explained by introducing emission of light in *quanta* \hbar with $E = \hbar v$
- 1905: Einstein: photo electric effect: light is quantized: photon
 - Scattering behaviour verified in 1923 by Arthur Holly Compton
- 1911: Rutherford: nucleus hydrogen is a proton
- 1932: Chadwick: discovery of the neutron
 - Neutral particle with the mass of a proton







Griffiths §1.1 and §1.2

Mesons 1934 - 1947

- The nucleus is held together by strong force, mediated by pions or pi-mesons.
- Can we see these pion quanta of mass ~ 150 MeV?
- In 1937 particles where detected in cosmic rays:
 - There mass was a bit too light: m = 105 MeV
 - They did not interact strongly with nuclei ?!
- It turned out to be a muon, heavy version of the electron
 - "Who ordered that?": Isaac Rabi
- Particles:
 - Baryons (p,n), Mesons (π) , Leptons (e, μ)

Lepton: Greek "small" or "thin": small mass, feels no nuclear force Hadron: Greek "thick" : large mass, feels nuclear interaction Meson: Greek "middle": medium mass, feels nuclear interaction





Griffiths §1.3

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- In 1947 the pion, with correct mass, was discovered



Exercise: The Yukawa Potential

- The electric force is transmitted by a photon with m = 0. The wave equation for a static electric field caused by pointlike charge e is: $\nabla^2 V(r) = 0$ (Laplace equation)
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Discovery of the pion - 1947

- Powell, 1947
 - Go to mountain top
 - Photographic emulsion
- Observes that cosmic rays include muons and pions
 - $m_{\pi} = 140 \ MeV/c^2$
 - $m_{\mu} = 105 MeV/c^2$
- A pion can decay into a muon, which can again decay into an electron
- The pion was Yukawa's meson



Antimatter particles 1928 - 1956

- In 1928 Dirac predicted the existence of antimatter particles, combining relativity theory and quantum mechanics
 - We will learn about Dirac's equation later
- Exercise: convince yourself that Klein-Gordon equation: $E^2 = p^2c^2 + m^2c^4$ is in agreement with the relativistic formulae: $E = m\gamma c^2$ and $p = m\gamma v$
- Dirac: E can have positive and negative solution $s:=\bar{\gamma}$
 - Positive: matter particles (electron)
 - Negative antimatter particles (positron)
- In 1932 the positron was discovered by Anderson



Question: How did he know which direction the particle went?

Antimatter particles 1928 - 1956

- Feynman Stückelberg interpretation of particles (more in lecture 3):
 - The *negative energy* solution of a *particle* corresponds with the *positive energy* solution of an *antiparticle* going backwards in time.

$$\psi_{\pm}(\vec{x},t) = a_{\pm}e^{\frac{i}{\hbar}(\vec{x}\vec{p}-Et)}$$



- CPT theorem: an antiparticle *is* a particle going backwards in time
- For each particle p there exists a mirror anti-particle \overline{p} in nature.
 - Berkeley Bevatron: discovery anti-proton (1954, Chamberlain, Segré) and discovery anti-neutron (1956, Cork).
 - The antiparticle has the same mass, lifetime and spin, but opposite internal quantum numbers like charge.
 - Matter and antimatter have identical interactions. Definition what is what?
- Wheeler: is there only one electron in the entire universe?
- Question: is there also an anti-photon? How about an anti-neutrino?

Antiparticle and Crossing Symmetry

- Crossing symmetry:
 - If: $A + B \rightarrow C + D$, then also possible: $A \rightarrow \overline{B} + C + D$
 - $A + \overline{C} \to \overline{B} + D$
 - $\overline{C} + \overline{D} \to \overline{A} + \overline{B}$

Limited by energy conservation.

• Example:

Compton scattering = pair annihilation $\gamma + e^- \rightarrow \gamma + e^- = e^- + e^+ \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma$

- General symmetry between matter and antimatter (CPT theorem)
 - →Why is the universe matter dominated?
 - →Subtle features in the weak interaction!



Antiparticle and Crossing Symmetry



Neutrinos 1930 - 1962

- Nuclear beta decay: $A \rightarrow B + e^-$
 - Exercise: calculate the kinetic energy of the electron.
 - Observed kinetic energy in tritium decay is a *spectrum*
- Niels Bohr was thinking to abandon the law of conservation of energy(!)



- Pauli proposed that an undetected neutral particle was produced
 - Proposed the name neutron
 - Fermi presented beta decay theory, neutrino: $n \rightarrow p + e^- + \overline{\nu}$

Neutrinos 1930 - 1962



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- Later discovery of Powell
 - Pion and muon decays: $\pi \rightarrow \mu + \nu$ followed by: $\mu \rightarrow e + \nu + \overline{\nu}$
- Neutrinos: are they a bookkeeping device or are they real particles?
 - Very weak interaction
 - Can penetrate 1000 lightyears thick lead plate
 - What is their mass? $m_{\nu} \neq 0$?



Observation of neutrinos

- 1955 Cowan and Reines observe "inverse beta decay"
 - Water tank next to Nuclear Reactor
 - Antineutrinos colliding with protons: $\overline{\nu} + p^+ \rightarrow n + e^+$
 - Inverse beta decay
- Are neutrinos their own antiparticles, like photons?
 - From Cowan and Reines and crossing we know that: $\nu + n \rightarrow p^+ + e^-$ must exist
 - Davis and Hamer looked for: $\overline{\nu} + n \rightarrow p^+ + e^-$ It does **not** exist
 - Neutrino is not its own antiparticle. Or is there more going on?
- What distinguishes a neutrino from an anti-neutrino?
 - A nice research topic: "Dirac" neutrinos vs "Majorana" neutrinos

Lepton Number and Lepton Flavor

- 1953, Introduction Lepton number
 - Leptons (e^- , μ^- , ν) have quantum number L = 1
 - Antileptons ($\overline{e} = e^+$, $\overline{\mu} = \mu^+$, $\overline{\nu}$) have quantum number L = -1
 - Lepton number is conserved in reactions, eg:

 $\begin{array}{cccc} \pi^- \to \mu^- + \overline{\nu} & \text{or} & \pi^+ \to \mu^+ + \nu \\ L: & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{array}$

 $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- + \overline{\nu_e} + \nu_\mu$

 L_{μ} : 1 0 0 1 L_{ρ} : 0 1 -1 0

- Lepton Flavor: how about: $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- + \gamma$? It is not observed!
 - Each lepton 'family' has its own lepton number conservation, eg:

Lepton number is conserved for each type ('generation') separately

• Proven in 1962: $\overline{\nu_{\mu}} + p \rightarrow \mu^+ + n$ was observed,

while: $\overline{\nu_{\mu}} + p \rightarrow e^+ + n$ was not!

 How did they know? Because these neutrino's were produced by pion decays into a muon at Brookhaven lab.

Lepton summary 1962 - 1976

	Lepton number	Electron number	Muon number
Leptons			
<i>e</i> ⁻	1	1	0
ν_e	1	1	0
μ^-	1	0	1
ν_{μ}	1	0	1
Antileptons			
e^+	-1	-1	0
$\overline{\nu}_e$	-1	-1	0
μ^+	-1	0	-1
$\overline{ u}_{\mu}$	-1	0	-1

- Are neutrinos massless? Not exactly → Neutrino oscillations
 - Neutrino's can oscillate to different neutrino type and back! (good research topic)



- - Abraham Pais: They are produced withut the stinutes) force, but they decay with the weak force.
 - \sim

Example of associated strangeness production



Bubble chamber picture of the associated reaction $\pi^- + p \to K^0 + \Lambda$. Incoming pion is indicated by the arrow. The unseen neutral particles K^0 and Λ are detected by their " V^0 " decays: $K^0 \to \pi^0 + \pi^-$ and $\Lambda \to \pi^- + p$.

It turns out these strange particles are always produced in pairs.

Strangeness

- Also observed: $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ + \pi^+ + \pi^- \rightarrow M_K \sim 500 \text{ MeV}$; it's a meson
- 1952, Brookhaven cosmotron: new strange *baryons*: Σ (~1.2 *GeV*), Ξ (~1.3 *GeV*)
- In production (strong interaction) conserve *baryon number* as well as *strangeness*

	B:	S:	OK?
$\pi^- + p \to K^+ + \Sigma^-$	$0 + 1 \rightarrow 0 + 1$	$0 + 0 \rightarrow 1 + -1$	Yes
$\rightarrow K^0 + \Lambda$	$0 + 1 \rightarrow 0 + 1$	$0 + 0 \rightarrow 1 + -1$	Yes
$\rightarrow \pi^+ + \Sigma^-$	$0 + 1 \rightarrow 0 + 1$	$0 + 0 \rightarrow 0 + -1$	No
$\rightarrow K^+ + K^-$	$0 + 1 \rightarrow 0 + 0$	$0 + 0 \rightarrow 1 + -1$	No

- In decay (weak force) strangeness is not conserved: long lifetimes eg. decays: $\Lambda \rightarrow p^+ + \pi^-$; $\Sigma^+ \rightarrow n + \pi^+$
- Electric charge is always conserved!
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- For heavier baryon particles (spin- ³/₂) there is a decuplet
 - The reason that spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ baryons form an octet and spin- $\frac{3}{2}$ a decuplet is far from trivial.
- The Ω particle was not known yet:
 - Mass and lifetime was predicted
 - Observed in 1964
- Octets and decuplets suggest an underlying structure! – quarks!



Discovery of the Omega particle



The Quark Model (1964)



dependently proposed that elementary particles are down, strange:

The quarks

- *Baryons*: particle consisting of 3 quarks or antiquarks (q q q) or $(\overline{q} \overline{q} \overline{q})$
 - Proton=*uud* , neutron=*udd* , etc
- *Mesons*: particles consisting of 1 quark and 1 anti-quarks: $(q \overline{q})$
 - Pions: $\pi^+ = u\overline{d}$, $\pi^0 = u\overline{u} + d\overline{d}$, $\pi^- = d\overline{u}$ Kaons: $K^+ = u\overline{s}$, etc

Explains "elementary particles" as quark combinations, spin, strangeness etc.

The Quařk^k Model (1964)



$Q = -1 \qquad Q = 0 \qquad Q = 1$

Complications

- The spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ octet is like the spin- $\frac{3}{2}$ decuplet with the corners missing.
 - Wave function has:
 - 3 identical quarks (*u u u*), (*d d d*), or (*s s s*)
 - 3 identical spin directions of quarks: $\uparrow \uparrow \uparrow$ or $\downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow$





Desperate Measures

- A quantum mechanical problem: check Δ^{++} :
 - Wave function has:
 - 3 identical quarks (u u u), (d d d), or (s s s)
 - 3 identical spin directions of quarks: $\uparrow \uparrow \uparrow$ or $\downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow$
 - Not allowed by Pauli-exclusion principle:
 - This wave function is symmetric under particle exchange
 - *Identical* spin-½ particles must have an asymmetric wave function under exchange of the particles



- Quarks differ by having an additional quantum number: color
 - A quark can have quantum number: "red", "green", "blue"
 - An anti-quark can carry quantum number: "anti-red", "anti-green", "anti-blue"
- All physical particles must be colorless ("confinement"):
 - baryons $\rightarrow r g b$, mesons $\rightarrow r r$, g g , or b b

No free quarks in nature!

Deep Inelastic Scattering ("DIS")

- Indeed individual quarks have never been observed.
 - Do they actually exist or are they just a mathematical bookkeeping tool?
- ~1970 SLAC: "DIS"
 - Proton substructure is seen similar to Rutherford scattering
- Quarks are real and they carry an additional quantum number which can have three values
 - "Color" is just a name

Research:

what is the principle behind confinement, ie. being colorless?



How to make a mental picture of a proton?



- Looking from "afar" there are three colored quarks: red, green, blue
- Zooming in it becomes a quantum foam of particles + antiparticles + force particles (gluons)

The November Revolution: 1974 - 1983

- Fundamental particles:
 - Why 4 Leptons: (e, v_e) (μ, v_{μ}) and 3 Quarks : (u, d, s) ?
 - 1974 Two groups discover a new particle: Ting at BNL ("J") and Richter at SLAC (" ψ ")
 - J/ψ particle is special: very heavy $M \sim 3000 MeV$, long lifetime $\tau \sim 1000 \times \text{longer than heavy hadrons}$
 - \rightarrow new meson consisting of heavy charm quarks: $c\overline{c} \rightarrow Enter$: *charm* quantum number
- Existence of charm also solved the Glashow, Iliopoulos, Maiani (GIM) puzzle.
 - It explained why the K_L particle had a very long lifetime
- Other new particles were discovered soon afterwards
 - Mesons: $D^0(c\overline{u})$, $D^+(c\overline{d})$, $D_s^+(c\overline{s})$, ...
 - Baryons: Σ_c (*uuc*), Λ_c (*udc*), Ξ_c (*usc*), Ω_c (*ssc*), ...
- Similar to "strangeness", "charm" is conserved in production (strong force), and violated in (weak force) decay



The November Revolution: 1974 - 1983

- 1974 Discovery of charm brings Lepton-Quark symmetry:
 - $(v_e, e) (v_\mu, \mu)$ and (u, d) (c, s)
- 1975 Discovery of the au- lepton breaks symmetry again
 - Also a corresponding v_{τ} neutrino
- 1977 Discovery Y (bb) particle, consisting of bottom or beauty quarks
 → Baryons: 1980: Λ⁰_b(udb), 2006: Σ⁺_b(uub), 2007: Ξ⁻_b(dsb),
 → Mesons: 1983: B⁰(bd), B⁻ (bū), later also: B⁰_s(bs), B⁺_c (bc)
 First B⁺_c → B⁰_s weak decay observed by J.A. de Vries *et al.*
- Terminology: upness, downness, strangeness, charm, beauty = "Flavour"
 - Quarks have *charge, flavor* and *color* quantum numbers
- Now 6 leptons and 5 quarks?
 - $(v_e, e) (v_\mu, \mu) (v_\tau, \tau)$ and (u, d) (c, s) (b, ...)

Top quark

- Discovered at Fermilab 1995
 - $p + \bar{p} \rightarrow t + \bar{t}$
 - Top decays immediately and form so-called *jets*



- $m_t = 176 \; GeV$, very heavy quark
- $\tau_t = 5 \times 10^{-25}$ s, extremely short
 - No bound states with top quark exist



Standard Model of particles

Standard Model of Elementary Particles



Current Fundamental Questions in Particle physics

- Why are there three generations of particles?
- Why are the masses of the particles what they are?
- Why is there no antimatter in our universe?
- Why is the charge of the electron exactly opposite to that of the proton? Or: why is the sum of the charge of leptons + quarks exactly equal to zero?
- Is a neutrino its own anti-particle?
- Can all forces be described in a single theory? Unification
- Are quarks and leptons truly fundamental
- What is the source of dark matter?
- What is the source of dark energy?

Just some random slides

Graphical views of the Standard Model of particles



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Graphical views of the SM

STANDARD MODEL OF ELEMENTARY PARTICLES







3 Generations of particles – How do we know?

LEP: The heavy Z boson decays into 3 light neutrino types.







• No additional weakly interacting **light fermion** generations.

3 Generations of particles – How do we know?

LHC: Higgs production:

Loop diagram is proportional to the mass of the heaviest fermion.





Top is the *heaviest fermion* flavour.
▶3 Flavour generations



Discussions Topics belonging to Lecture 1

<u>Topic-1</u>: Natural Units:

- Redefine the unit $\hbar = \frac{h}{2\pi} \approx 1.055 \times 10^{-34}$ Js to be: $\hbar \equiv 1$
- Redefine the unit $c = 2.998 \times 10^8$ m/s to be: $c \equiv 1$
- Explain how Energy, mass, distance, time can then be expressed in the unit GeV
- How can you get answers that can be compared with measurements?
- What are the advantages of doing this?

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Conversion factors from natural units to ordinary units.

<u>Topic-2</u>: The Lorentz Transformation

- Why are space and time coordinates not universal (ie not the same for each observer)?
- Explain the Lorentz transformation
- When does this effect become noticeable?

Topic-2: The Lorentz Transformation

A reference system or coordinate system is used to determine the time and position of an event.

Reference system S is linked to observer Alice at position (x,y,z) = (0,0,0)An event is fully specified by giving its coordinates and time: (t, x, y, z)

Reference system S' is linked to observer Bob who is moving with velocity v with respect to Alice. The event has: (t', x', y', z')

How are the coordinates of an event, say a lightning strike in a tree, expressed in coordinates for Alice and for Bob?

 $(t, x, y, z) \rightarrow (t', x', y', z')$



Topic-2: Space-time diagram

Bob drives from Maastricht to Amsterdam with 100 km/h.

12h00_ 1 h¦ 11h00 💥 1 h¦ 10h00 🖄 (x,t) _200 km ∫

Maastricht

Alice drives from Maastricht to Amsterdam with 200 km/h.

<u>"Events":</u>

- Departure Alice & Bob
- Arrival Bob
- Arrival Alice

"World lines":

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- Bob's world-line
- Alice's world-line

Events with space-time coordinates: (x,t) More general: it is a 4-dimensional space: (x,y,z,t)

Amsterdam

Topic-2: Coordinate transformation

How does Alice's trip look like in the coordinates of the reference system of Bob?



Bob's frame moves with velocity v (100km/h) with respect to Maastricht

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Topic-2: Lorentz Transformations

Hendrik Anton Lorentz (1853 – 1928)

Dutch Physicist in Leiden (Nobelprize 1902 with Pieter Zeeman)

To explain the Michelson-Morley experiment he assumed that bodies contracted due to intermolecular forces as they were moving through the aether.

(He believed in the existence if the aether)

Einstein derived it from the relativity principle and also saw that time has to be modified.



Topic-2: Let's go crazy and derive them...

Start with classical Galilei Transformation:

$$x' = x - vt$$
$$x = x' + vt'$$

Let's try a modification by including a factor: x' = f(x - vt)

$$x = f(x' + vt')$$

For light:
$$x = ct$$
 and $x' = ct'$, so:
 $ct' = f(ct - vt)$
 $ct = f(ct' + vt')$

Then:
$$t' = f\left(\frac{c-v}{c}\right)t$$

 $t = f\left(\frac{c+v}{c}\right)t'$

Substitute first into second:

$$t = f\left(\frac{c+v}{c}\right) f\left(\frac{c-v}{c}\right) t$$

Divide by t: $1 = \left(\frac{c+v}{c}\right) \left(\frac{c-v}{c}\right) f^2 = \left(\frac{c^2 - v^2}{c^2}\right) f^2$ It follows then that: $f^2 = \frac{c^2}{c^2 - v^2} = \frac{1}{1 - v^2/c^2}$ So that we find: $f = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}} = \gamma$ Therefor we have derived the $x' = \gamma(x - vt)$ Lorentz transformation: Similarly we find the Lorentz $t' = \gamma \left(t - \frac{\nu}{c^2} x \right)$ transformation for time: (see lecture notes)

whereas the Galilei translation was:

t' = t

<u>Topic-3</u>: Four vectors & co- and contra-variance

- Explain the so-called covariant (ie 4-vector) notation.
- What is the difference between contra-variant and co-variant?
- Explain Einstein's summation convention for indices

Topic-3: Four vectors & co- and contra-variance

See Griffiths: chapter 3

- Four vector: $x^{\mu} = (x^0, x^1, x^2, x^3)$ with $x^0 = ct \Rightarrow x^0 = t$ (use $c \equiv 1$ convention)
- We call this a *contravariant* vector and: $x^{\mu} = (x^0, \vec{x})$
- Lorentz transformation along x^1 axis using $\beta = v/c$ and $\gamma = 1/\sqrt{1-\beta^2}$ is:
 - $\begin{aligned} x^{0'} &= \gamma (x^0 \beta x^1) \\ x^{1'} &= \gamma (x^1 \beta x^0) \\ x^{2'} &= x^2 \\ x^{3'} &= x^3 \end{aligned}$ Write it in Matrix notation: $x^{\mu'} = \Lambda^{\mu}_{\nu} x^{\nu} \ ; \ \Lambda^{\mu}_{\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma & -\beta \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta \gamma & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
- Lorentz transformations leave the "length" s invariant $s = x \cdot x = |x|^2 = x^{0^2} |\vec{x}|^2$
 - Explicitly: $(ct)^2 |\vec{x}|^2 = (ct')^2 |\vec{x}'|^2 = s$ is invariant.
- This can be written as:

$$s = (x^{0}, x^{1}, x^{2}, x^{3}) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} (x^{0}, x^{1}, x^{2}, x^{3})$$

Topic-3: Scalar product and co- and contra-variant

• Define *co-variant* vectors:
$$x_{\mu} = (x^0, -\vec{x})$$

• Define the metric tensor: $g_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

Definition: A contravariant vector transforms like x_{μ} and a covariant vector transforms like Note the Einstein summation convention!

• To obtain a co-variant from contra-variant vector:

 $x_{\mu} = \sum_{\mu} g_{\mu\nu} x^{\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} x^{\nu} \qquad \text{sum}$

Note the Einstein summation convention!

- Then the invariance distance $s = x^{\mu}x_{\mu} = \sum_{\mu\nu} x^{\mu}g_{\mu\nu}x^{\nu} = x^{0^2} |\vec{x}|^2$
- We speak of a scalar product: $A \cdot B = A^{\mu}B_{\mu} = g_{\mu\nu}A^{\mu}B^{\nu}$, where a sum is always implicit over *contravariant* and *covariant* indices.
- The *scalar product* or *inproduct* of Lorentz 4-vectors is always Lorentz invariant:
 - $I = a_{\mu}b^{\mu} = a \cdot b$ for any Lorentz 4-vectors a^{μ} and b^{μ}
 - Example are the space-time vectors a^{μ} , but also the 4-momentum vector $p^{\mu}=(E,\vec{p})$

•
$$E^2 = \vec{p}^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4 \implies p^{\mu} = (E, \vec{p}) \implies p_{\mu} p^{\mu} = E^2 - \vec{p}^2 = m^2$$
 the invariant mass

Topic-3: Co- and contravariant derivatives

Griffiths: chapter 3



Note that the minus sign is "opposite" to the case of the coordinate four-vectors.

Exercises belonging to Lecture 1

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 - Very confusing at first but very convenient when you are used to it ("sloppy") Set $c = 2.998 \times 10^8 \ m/s \equiv 1$ and $\hbar = 1.055 \times 10^{-34} \ Js \equiv 1$ (Just leave them out and put them back at very end of any calculation)
 - Consequence: there is only one basic unit for length, time, mass and energy: *GeV*
- Exercise: derive the numbers on the conversion table on the next page
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|-----------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|
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Exercise-3: Kinematics: Z-boson production

- The Z-boson particle is a carrier of the weak force. It has a mass of 91.1 GeV. It can be produced experimentally by annihilation of an electron and a positron. The mass of an electron, as well as that of a positron, is 0.511 MeV.
 - a) Assume that an electron and a positron are accelerated in opposite directions and collide head-on to produce a Z-boson in the lab frame. Calculate the minimal beam energy required for the electron and the positron in order to produce a Z-boson.
 - b) Assume that a beam of positron particles is shot on a target containing electrons. Calculate the beam energy required for the positron beam in order to produce Z-bosons.
 - c) This experiment was carried out in the 1990's. Which method do you think was used? Why?