

Particle physics

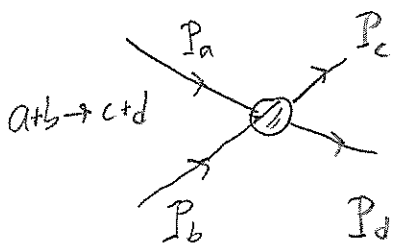
Leptons: $\left(\begin{matrix} \nu_e \\ e^- \end{matrix} \right) \left(\begin{matrix} \nu_\mu \\ \mu^- \end{matrix} \right) \left(\begin{matrix} \nu_\tau \\ \tau^- \end{matrix} \right) \left. \vphantom{\begin{matrix} \nu_e \\ e^- \end{matrix}} \right\} \text{Spin } \frac{1}{2} \quad \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)$

quarks: $\left(\begin{matrix} u_i \\ d_i \end{matrix} \right) \left(\begin{matrix} c_i \\ s_i \end{matrix} \right) \left(\begin{matrix} t_i \\ b_i \end{matrix} \right) \left. \vphantom{\begin{matrix} u_i \\ d_i \end{matrix}} \right\} \begin{matrix} i=1,2,3 \text{ (colour)} \\ + \text{antiparticles} \end{matrix}$

Force carriers Z^0, W^+, W^- spin-1

Gives mass H^0 spin-0

Relativistic kinematics



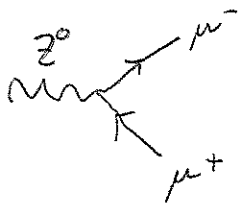
P : 4-momenta $P_i = \left(\frac{E_i}{c}, p_x, p_y, p_z \right)$

$$E_i = \sqrt{m_i^2 c^4 + c^2 \vec{p}^2}$$

$$(P_i^\mu)^2 = \underbrace{m_i^2 c^2 + \vec{p}^2}_{E_i^2} - \vec{p}^2 = m_i^2 c^2$$

rest mass = const
("Lorentz invariant")

E.g. Z^0 decay, $Z^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$



In Z^0 rest frame $P_{Z^0} = (m_{Z^0} c^2, \vec{0})$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{P_{Z^0}^2}_{\text{Lorentz inv.}} = m_{Z^0}^2 c^4 = \underbrace{(P_{\mu^-} + P_{\mu^+})^2}_{\text{Lorentz invariant}}$$

\Rightarrow valid in any frame $(P_{\mu^-} + P_{\mu^+})^2$ is called the invariant mass² of the muon pair

Schrödinger equation $\hat{p} = -i\hbar \nabla$ $E \rightarrow i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ (2)

$$\hat{H} = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m} + \hat{V}(x) = -\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2}{2m} + \hat{V}(x)$$

Hamiltonian operator

$$\hat{H} \Psi(\vec{r}, t) = E \Psi = i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t}$$

Non-relativistic eqn.

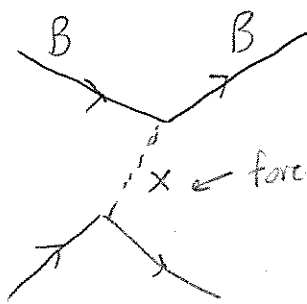
Oskar Klein: In relativity we have $E^2 = m^2 c^4 + \vec{p}^2 c^2$

$$\Rightarrow \left(i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) \left(i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) \phi(\vec{r}, t) = m^2 c^4 \phi(\vec{r}, t) - \underbrace{c^2 \hbar^2 \nabla^2}_{(c\hat{p}) \cdot (c\hat{p})} \phi(\vec{r}, t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{-\hbar^2 \frac{\partial^2 \phi(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t^2} = -c^2 \hbar^2 \nabla^2 \phi(\vec{r}, t) + m^2 c^4 \phi(\vec{r}, t)}$$

Klein-Gordon equation for spin-0 particle (like Higgs)

However, one has to interpret $\phi(\vec{r}, t)$ as quantum field (contains also antiparticles)



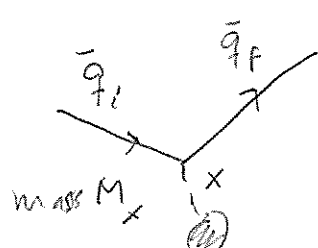
force carrier

potential energy

coupling, p.g. charge \downarrow
 $V(r) = -\frac{g^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{e^{-r/R}}{r}$
 range of potential \nwarrow

For electromagnetism, $g = \frac{e}{\epsilon_0}$

limit $R \rightarrow \infty$ ("infinite range") $\Rightarrow V(r) = \frac{-e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$



Amplitude $\bar{q} = \bar{q}_f - \bar{q}_i$

Coulomb energy

$$\mathcal{M}(\bar{q}) = \int d^3r e^{\frac{i}{\hbar} \bar{q}_i \cdot \vec{r}} v(r) e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} \bar{q}_f \cdot \vec{r}} = \int d^3r e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} \bar{q} \cdot \vec{r}} v(\vec{r})$$

$$\Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow \mathcal{M}(\bar{q}) = \frac{-g^2 \hbar^2}{1\bar{q}^2 + M_x^2 c^2}$$

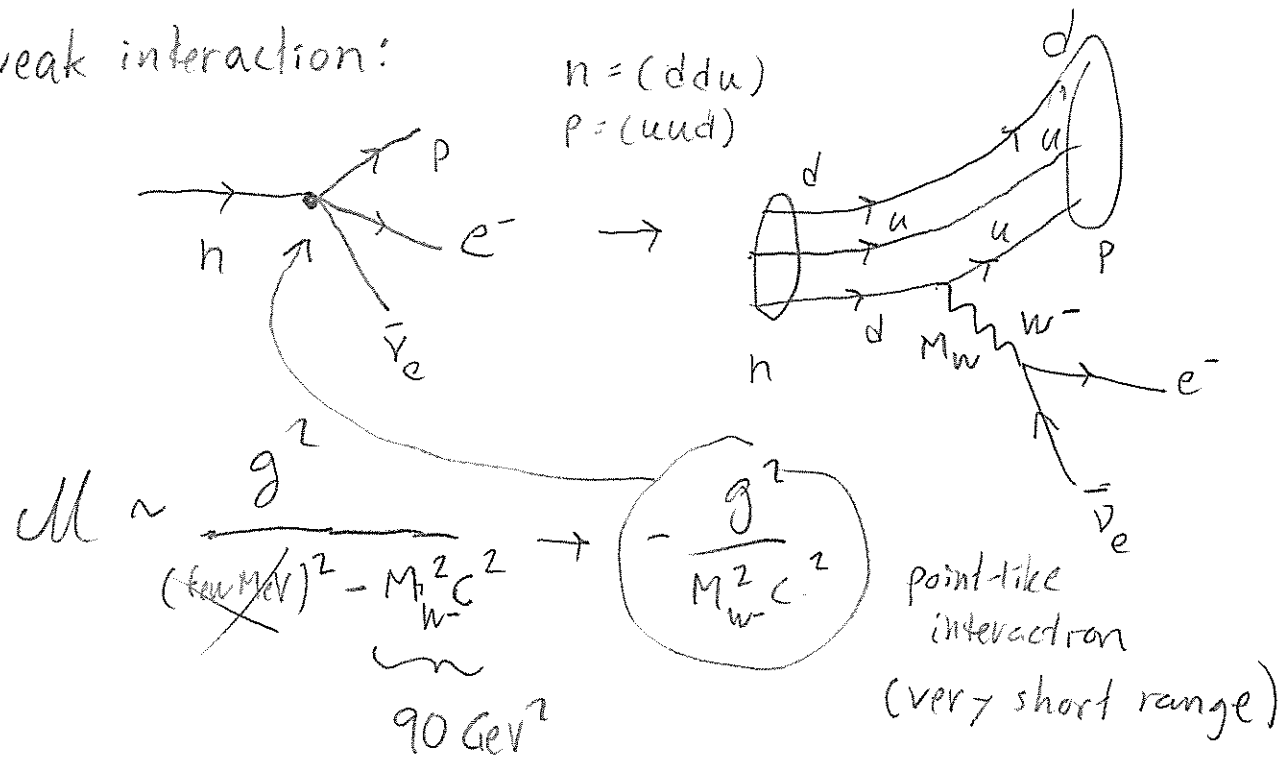
Fourier transform of $v(\vec{r})$ at mom. transfer \bar{q}

Relativistic treatment $Q = Q_f - Q_i$; $Q_f = (\frac{E_f}{c}, \vec{q}_f)$ etc. (3)

$\Rightarrow M(Q) = \frac{g^2}{Q^2 - M_W^2 c^2}$ $Q = (\frac{E_f - E_i}{c}, \vec{q}_f - \vec{q}_i)$

$Q^2 = \frac{1}{c^2} (E_f - E_i)^2 - (\vec{q}_f - \vec{q}_i)^2$

Weak interaction:



However when energy & momentum transfer are $\gg 90 \text{ GeV}$, then "weak" and e.m. interactions become of similar strength

Experimental particle physics: $R = L \cdot \sigma$

\nwarrow luminosity
 \swarrow cross section
 \uparrow interaction rate

Fermi's golden rule

$W = 2\pi |\langle f | H_{int} | i \rangle|^2 \rho(E)$

Reaction rate per beam and target particle

number density of final states

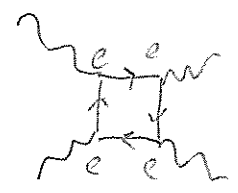
Antiparticles: \bar{n} antineutron $(\bar{d}\bar{d}\bar{u}) \neq (ddu)$ since $\bar{d} \neq d$ etc

However, $\bar{8} = 8$; $\bar{3}^0 = 3^0$, $\bar{H}^0 = H^0$

$(\bar{d}\bar{d}\bar{u}) \quad \neq \quad (ddu)$
 $\begin{matrix} +\frac{1}{3} & +\frac{1}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} \\ \hline -\frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{matrix}$

Feynman diagrams

ex. $\gamma + \gamma \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma$



$$\mathcal{M} \sim e^4 \sim \alpha^2$$

$$\alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \hbar c} \approx \frac{1}{137} \text{ fine structure const.}$$

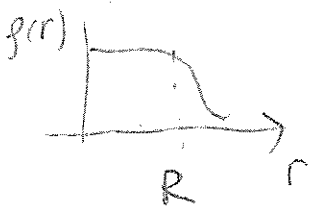
Nuclear physics

$A = N + Z$ $E = {}^{16}_8\text{O}$ usually written ${}^{16}\text{O}$ for simplicity
 (neutrons) (protons)
 number of neutrons $N = A - Z = 16 - 8 = 8$

A (Name)
 Z
 says the same thing (if you know the Z for all names)

Z define the element (and also number of electrons for a neutral atom)

N can vary by a few \Rightarrow different isotopes

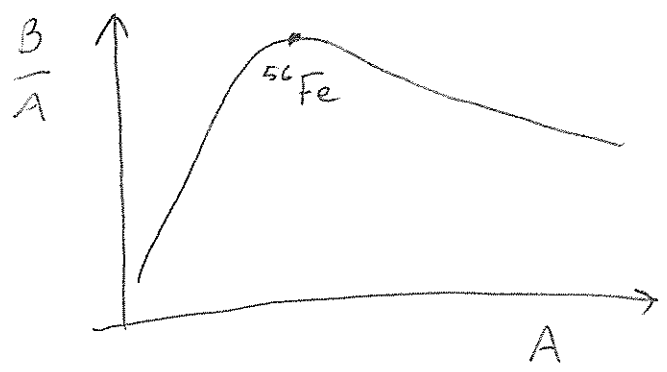


$$R \approx R_0 A^{1/3} \Rightarrow \frac{A}{\frac{4\pi}{3} R^3} \sim \text{const.}$$

Mass $M_A = Z \cdot m_p + N \cdot m_n - \frac{B_A}{c^2}$ binding energy
 for an atom
 mass deficit

For nucleus:

$$B = [Zm_p + Nm_n - (m_A - Zm_e)] c^2$$



Semi-empirical mass formula:

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$$B = a_v A - a_s A^{2/3} - a_c \frac{Z(Z-1)}{A^{1/3}} - a_{sym} \frac{(A-2Z)^2}{A} + \delta(A, Z)$$

volume
surface
coulomb
fermions
A
pairing

ex: $a_v = 15.5 \text{ MeV}$, $a_s = 17.8 \text{ MeV}$, $a_c = 0.72 \text{ MeV}$, $a_{sym} = 23 \text{ MeV}$

(Many different versions)

$$\delta(A, Z) = \begin{cases} +\delta_0 & Z, N \text{ even (A even)} \\ 0 & A \text{ odd} \\ -\delta_0 & Z, N \text{ odd (A even)} \end{cases} \quad \delta_0 = \frac{+34 \text{ MeV}}{A^{3/4}}$$

For constant A, $M(Z, A)$ is a parabola

Spontaneous fission $C \rightarrow D + E$

Q-value $Q = (M_C - M_D - M_E) c^2$

$$N(t) = N(0) e^{-\lambda t} \quad t_{1/2} = \frac{\ln 2}{\lambda}$$

β -decay $(Z, A) \rightarrow (Z+1, A) + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e$ (β^-)

$(Z, A) \rightarrow (Z-1, A) + e^+ + \nu_e$ (β^+)

α -decay $(Z, A) \rightarrow (Z-2, A-4) + \underbrace{(2, 4)}_{\substack{4\text{He} \\ \text{nucleus}}}$

Cosmology

Homogeneous, isotropic expansion

\Rightarrow radial symmetry (indep. of θ and φ)

$$r(t) = a(t) \cdot x \quad x = \frac{r(t)}{a(t)} \text{ (so } a(t) \text{ follows the physical distance)}$$

↑ physical distance
↑ scale factor
← comoving distance

$$v(t) = \frac{d}{dt} r(t) = \dot{a}(t) \cdot x = \underbrace{\frac{\dot{a}(t)}{a(t)}}_{= H, \text{ Hubble parameter}} r(t)$$

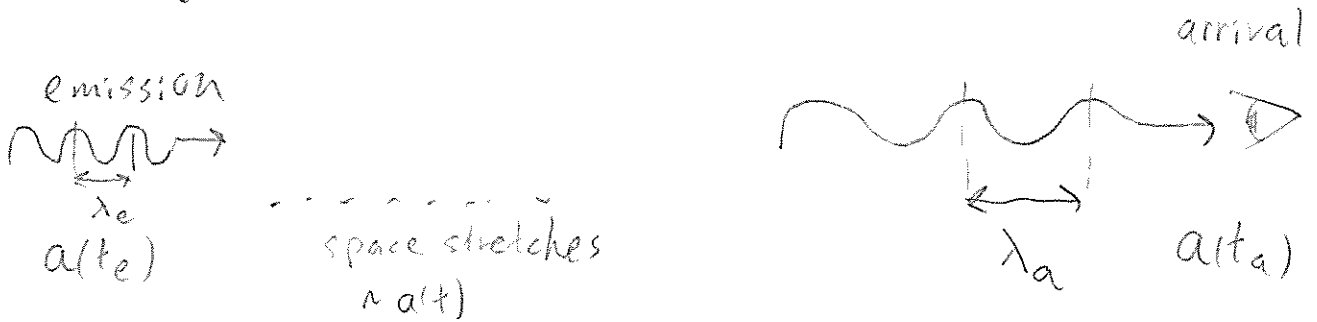
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$$t = \text{today} = t_0 \Rightarrow H(t_0) = \frac{\dot{a}(t_0)}{a(t_0)} = \underbrace{\left\{ \text{measurements} \right\}}_{H_0} = h \cdot 100 \text{ km/s per Mpc}$$

13.8 billion years

$h \sim 0.7$

Cosmological redshift:



$$\frac{\lambda_a}{\lambda_e} = \frac{a(t_a)}{a(t_e)}$$

$$z = \frac{\lambda_a - \lambda_e}{\lambda_e} = \frac{\lambda_a}{\lambda_e} - 1 \Rightarrow \frac{\lambda_a}{\lambda_e} = 1 + z$$

Thus $1 + z = \frac{\lambda_a}{\lambda_e}$

Friedmann equation: $H^2 = \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho^{m+\rho_\gamma} - \frac{kc^2}{a^2} + \frac{\Lambda}{3}$

Define $\rho_\Lambda = \frac{\Lambda}{8\pi G} \Rightarrow H^2 = \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho_{\text{tot}} - \frac{kc^2}{a^2}$

$\rho_c(H) = \frac{3H^2}{8\pi G}$
critical

$\rho_{\text{tot}} = \rho_m + \rho_\gamma + \rho_\Lambda$ $\rho_{\text{now}} = \rho_M + \rho_R + \rho_\Lambda$

$\Omega_M = \frac{\rho_M}{\rho_c(t_0)}$ etc.

$$\Rightarrow H^2 = H_0^2 \left[\Omega_M (1+z)^3 + \Omega_R (1+z)^4 + \Omega_\Lambda \right] + \mathcal{O}(k)$$

$\sim 10^{-3}$ term

Early Universe

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matter-radiation equality $\sim z = 10000$

For $z \gg 10000$ ρ_m, ρ_r, ρ_k can be neglected

$$\Rightarrow H^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho_R, \text{ High density, } \rho_R = \alpha T^4$$

$(\alpha = \frac{4}{c} \cdot \sigma_{SB})$

$$\Rightarrow \dots \Rightarrow T(\text{MeV}) \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{t(\text{sec})}}$$

MeV temperatures \Leftrightarrow nuclear binding energies

\Rightarrow BBN big bang nucleosynthesis

$$R_n = \frac{n_n}{n_p} = \left(\frac{m_n}{m_p} \right)^{3/2} e^{\frac{-(m_n - m_p)c^2}{k_B T}} \sim e^{\frac{-1.3 \text{ MeV}}{0.8 \text{ MeV}}} \sim \frac{1}{5} = 0.2$$

$k_B \cdot (\text{temp. when neutrons leave equilibrium})$

After that, neutrons decay $n \rightarrow p + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e$

($\tau_n \sim 880 \text{ s}$) until they are "saved" by ${}^4\text{He}$ at $\sim 300 \text{ sec}$

\Rightarrow Neutron rate diminished by factor $e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_n}} = e^{-\frac{300 \text{ s}}{880 \text{ s}}} \sim 0.7$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n_n}{n_p} = 0.2 \cdot 0.7 = 0.14$$

2 neutrons in each ${}^4\text{He} \Rightarrow$

\Rightarrow number of ${}^4\text{He} = \frac{1}{2} (\text{number of } n)$

$$\Rightarrow \text{mass fraction } \frac{4 \cdot n_{\text{He}}}{n_n + n_p} = \frac{2 n_n}{n_n + n_p} = 0.25 \sim 25\%$$

The rest is protons (hydrogen) $\sim 75\%$ plus very

small abundances of D, ${}^3\text{He}$, ${}^7\text{Li}$

Heavier elements were synthesized later in the

interior of stars, and spread in the galaxies

through violent processes (e.g. supernova explosions)