

Area - metric (17/8/2017)

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Hamiltonian for point particle  
in EM field

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Next task: Hamiltonian of point matter in presence of EM field!

Step 0: Postulate action

$$S^{\text{P.P}} = \int \left[ m P (L^{-1}(\dot{x}))^{-1} \frac{1}{\deg P} + e A_\mu \dot{x}^\mu \right] d\tau$$

Step 1: 3+1 split, linearisation (see area-vehic-point-particle-hamiltonian)

$$P(L^{-1}(\dot{x}))^{-1} \frac{1}{\deg P} = (\gamma_{ab} \dot{x}^a \dot{x}^b)^{\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{1}{4} \frac{\sum_{abcd} \dot{x}^a \dot{x}^b \dot{x}^c \dot{x}^d}{(\gamma_{ab} \dot{x}^a \dot{x}^b)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

In  $\{t, y^\alpha\}$  coordinates/basis:

$$A = K (N\phi + N^\alpha A_\alpha) + \tilde{\epsilon}^\alpha A_\alpha$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } \dot{x}^\alpha A_\alpha &= (\dot{x}^\alpha e_\alpha^\lambda \lambda^\alpha) A_\lambda \\ &= N\phi + N^\alpha A_\alpha + \lambda^\alpha A_\alpha \end{aligned}$$

So:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = m \left( (1 - \dot{\lambda}^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{1}{4} \frac{\sum_{n=0}^4 \binom{4}{n} \sum_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_n 0 \dots 0} \dot{\lambda}^{\alpha_1} \dots \dot{\lambda}^{\alpha_n}}{(1 - \dot{\lambda}^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \right) \\ + e (\phi + A \phi + A_\alpha (N^\alpha + \dot{\lambda}^\alpha)) + \mathcal{O}(2) \end{aligned}$$

## Step 2: Canonical momentum

$$p_\alpha = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{\alpha}} = - \frac{m \dot{\alpha}}{\sqrt{1 - \dot{\alpha}^2}} + e A_\alpha + \mathcal{O}(1)$$

Again, expand  $\dot{\alpha} = \dot{\alpha}^0 + \mathcal{O}(1)$

Solve for  $\dot{\alpha}^0$ :

$$k_\alpha := p_\alpha - e A_\alpha = - \frac{m \dot{\alpha}^0}{\sqrt{1 - \dot{\alpha}_0^2}}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \dot{\alpha}^0 = - \frac{k_\alpha}{\sqrt{m^2 + k^2}} =: - \frac{k_\alpha}{E_k}$$

see  
non-relativistic point-particle-hamiltonian

Now, insert into  $H$ :

$$\text{First note } \sqrt{1 - \dot{\alpha}^2} = \sqrt{1 - \dot{\alpha}_0^2} \left( 1 - \frac{\dot{\alpha}_0^\alpha \dot{\alpha}_\alpha^1}{1 - \dot{\alpha}_0^2} \right) + \mathcal{O}(2)$$

$$= \frac{m}{E_k} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{m \sqrt{1 - \dot{\alpha}^2}} \frac{m \dot{\alpha}_0^\alpha}{\sqrt{1 - \dot{\alpha}_0^2}} \dot{\alpha}_\alpha^1 \right) + \mathcal{O}(2)$$

$$= \frac{m}{E_k} \left( 1 + \frac{E_k}{m^2} k_\alpha \dot{\alpha}^{\alpha 1} \right) + \mathcal{O}(2)$$

$$= \frac{m}{E_k} + \frac{k_\alpha}{m} \dot{\alpha}^\alpha + \mathcal{O}(2)$$

$$H = p_\alpha \dot{x}^\alpha - \mathcal{L}$$

$$= p_\alpha \dot{x}^\alpha_0 + p_\alpha \dot{x}^\alpha_1$$

$$- m \left[ (1-\dot{x}^2)^{1/2} - \frac{1}{4} \frac{\sum_{n=0}^4 \binom{4}{n} \sum_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_n 0 \dots 0} \dot{x}^{\alpha_1} \dots \dot{x}^{\alpha_n}}{(1-\dot{x}^2)^{3/2}} \right]$$

$$- e \left[ \phi + A\phi + A_\alpha N^\alpha + A_\alpha \dot{x}^\alpha_0 + A_\alpha \dot{x}^\alpha_1 \right] + \mathcal{O}(3)$$

$$= k_\alpha \dot{x}^\alpha_0 + \cancel{k_\alpha \dot{x}^\alpha_1}$$

$$- \frac{m^2}{E_k} - \cancel{k_\alpha \dot{x}^\alpha_1} + \frac{m}{4} \frac{\sum_{n=0}^4 \dots}{(1-\dot{x}^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$- e\phi - eA\phi - eA_\alpha N^\alpha$$

$$= -E_k + \frac{E_k^3}{4} \frac{\sum_{n=0}^4 \binom{4}{n} \sum_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_n 0 \dots 0} \left(-\frac{k^{\alpha_1}}{E_k}\right) \dots \left(-\frac{k^{\alpha_n}}{E_k}\right)}{m^2}$$

$$- e\phi - eA\phi - eA_\alpha N^\alpha$$

$$H = H_{\text{free}}(k) - e\phi - eA\phi - eA_\alpha N^\alpha$$

Take  $H_{\text{free}}$  from the ~~free~~ free on-shell heavy Hamiltonian:

$$H_{p.p} = -(1+A)(E_k + e\phi) - N^\alpha p_\alpha - \frac{1}{2} E_k \left[ \frac{1}{2} (\bar{\psi}^{\alpha\beta} - \bar{\bar{\psi}}^{\alpha\beta}) \frac{k^\alpha k^\beta}{E_k^2} + \frac{1}{2} (\bar{\psi} + \bar{\bar{\psi}}) \frac{k^2}{E_k^2} \right]$$