Quark and Hadron Physics

Assignment 1

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1. Relativity and Electrodynamics

1a) Four-derivative

Using Feynmann subscript notation:

(1.1)
$$\partial^{\mu} (x \cdot b) = \partial^{\mu} (x^{\nu} b_{\nu}),$$

$$= \partial^{\mu}_{x} (x \cdot b) + \partial^{\mu}_{b} (x \cdot b),$$

$$= (1, -\vec{1}) \cdot (b^{0}, \vec{b}) + (\frac{\partial b^{0}}{\partial t}, -\nabla \vec{b}) \cdot (t, \vec{x}),$$

$$= (b^{0}, -\vec{b}) + 0 \cdot x,$$

$$= b^{\mu}.$$

Note that we have had to assume that b is independent of t and x to obtain this result. (only b independent of x was given).

1b) Relativistic formulation of the Maxwell equations

If we expand

$$\partial_{\mu}F^{\mu\nu} = j^{\nu}$$

into it's matrix form we obtain

$$(1.3) \nabla \cdot E = \rho$$

In the first component, which is Guass' law. We now turn our attention to the three other components, expanded they read

(1.4)
$$-\frac{\partial E^{1}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial B^{3}}{\partial x_{2}} - \frac{\partial B^{2}}{\partial x_{3}} = j^{1}$$

$$-\frac{\partial E^{2}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial B^{1}}{\partial x_{3}} - \frac{\partial B^{3}}{\partial x_{1}} = j^{2}$$

$$-\frac{\partial E^{3}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial B^{2}}{\partial x_{1}} - \frac{\partial B^{1}}{\partial x_{2}} = j^{3}$$

which can be written simultanously in vector form as

(1.5)
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\vec{E} = \nabla \vec{B} - \vec{j},$$

which is Ampere's law.