

● The Maxwell field tensor  $F$  and its dual  $\tilde{F}$  are given -- in their covariant and contravariant forms -- by Jackson's Eqs. (11.138) and (11.140). With the summation convention in effect (sum over repeated indices):

(A) Show that  $F_{\alpha\beta} F^{\alpha\beta}$  is a Lorentz invariant scalar.

(B) Evaluate  $F_{\alpha\beta} F^{\alpha\beta}$  explicitly (in terms of  $\mathbf{E}$  &  $\mathbf{B}$ ) to find the field invariant.

● [Jackson] Jk<sup>2</sup> Eq. (12.9):  $L = -mc^2 \sqrt{1 - (u/c)^2} - q\phi + (q/c) \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{A}$ , is the EM Lagrangian.

4pts (A) Show that this  $L$ , plus the Lagrange eqns-of-motion, give the Lorentz force law.

4pts (B) Jackson's Eq. (12.14):  $\mathcal{H} = [(c\mathbf{p} - q\mathbf{A})^2 + (mc^2)^2]^{1/2} + q\phi$ , is the EM Hamiltonian.

Show that this  $\mathcal{H}$ , plus the Hamiltonian eqs-of-motion, also give the Lorentz force law.

4pts (C) Establish the nonrelativistic version of  $\mathcal{H}$  of part (B), i.e. the lowest order  $\mathcal{H}$  for  $c \rightarrow \infty$ . Only a part of  $\mathcal{H}^{(non)}$  is used in Schrödinger's eqn:  $\mathcal{H}\psi = i\hbar \dot{\psi}$ . Why is this OK?

3pts (D) Again, in Schrödinger's eqn, the EM momentum  $\mathbf{p} \rightarrow (-i\hbar \nabla)$  is replaced by an operator, rather than the kinetic momentum  $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{P} - \frac{q}{c} \mathbf{A}$ . Why is this procedure OK?

● [Jackson Prob. (12.2)]. (A) Show, from Hamilton's Principle, that Lagrangians differing only by a total time derivative of some fun of the coordinates & time are "equivalent" -- i.e. they yield the same Euler-Lagrange eqns-of-motion. (B) Show explicitly that a gauge transform:  $A^\alpha \rightarrow A^\alpha + \partial^\alpha \Lambda$ , for the potentials in the EM Lagrangian of Jk<sup>2</sup> Eq. (12.9), merely generates an equivalent Lagrangian in the sense of part (A).

● [Jackson Prob. (12.13)]. An alternative Lagrange density for the EM field is given by:

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{8\pi} (\partial_\alpha A_\beta)(\partial^\alpha A^\beta) - \frac{1}{c} J_\alpha A^\alpha.$$

(A) Derive the Lagrange eqns-of-motion for this  $\mathcal{L}$ . What assumptions are needed to make them equivalent to Maxwell's eqns? (B) Show explicitly (and with what assumptions) that the above  $\mathcal{L}$  differs from Jk<sup>2</sup> Eq. (12.85) by a 4-divergence. How does this added 4-divergence affect the eqns-of-motion and the action integral?

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- Consider the scalar wavefns  $\psi(\mathbf{r}, t)$  &  $\psi^*(\mathbf{r}, t)$  to be independent field variables, and -- for a particle of mass  $m$  in a potential  $V = V(\mathbf{r}, t)$  -- consider Lagrange density:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} (\nabla\psi)^* \cdot (\nabla\psi) + V\psi^*\psi - \frac{i\hbar}{2} \left[ \psi^* \left( \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial t} \right) - \left( \frac{\partial\psi^*}{\partial t} \right) \psi \right].$$

- (A) Show that the Lagrange eqns-of-motion for this  $\mathcal{L}$  generate Schrödinger's eqn:  $-(\hbar^2/2m)\nabla^2\psi + V\psi = i\hbar(\partial\psi/\partial t)$ , and its complex conjugate.
- (B) Neither the above  $\mathcal{L}$ , nor Schrödinger's eqn, is covariant (why?). How would you proceed to make  $\mathcal{L}$  and its eqn-of-motion "manifestly covariant"?

- [5 pts] [Jackson Prob. (12.14)]. Consider the Proca Eqns for localized steady-state currents  $\mathbf{J}$  which generate (only) a static magnetic moment. This model describes observable effects of a nonzero photon mass on the earth's magnetic field. ~~NOTE~~  $\mathbf{J}$  is related to the magnetization  $\mathbf{M}$  it generates by  $\mathbf{J} = c \nabla \times \mathbf{M}$  (5.79):  $\mathbf{J} = c \nabla \times \mathbf{M}$ .

- 5pts (A) If  $\mathbf{M} = m \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{r})$ , with  $m$  a const vector, and  $f(\mathbf{r})$  a scalar distribution fn, show that the corresponding vector potential is:

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}) = (-) m \times \nabla \int \frac{d^3r'}{R} f(\mathbf{r}') e^{-\mu R} \quad \begin{array}{l} R = |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'| = \text{source-field separation;} \\ \mu = \frac{1}{\hbar} m_\gamma c = \text{photon wave number.} \end{array}$$

- 5pts (B) If the source is a point-dipole at the origin, show that the earth's magnetic field is:

$$\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{e^{-\mu r}}{r^3} [3\hat{r}(\hat{r} \cdot m) - m] (1 + \mu r + \frac{1}{3} \mu^2 r^2) - \frac{2}{3} \mu^2 m \frac{e^{-\mu r}}{r}.$$

- 5pts (C) The result for  $\mathbf{B}(\text{earth})$  shows that on the earth's surface,  $r = R_e$ , the magnetic field looks like the usual dipole field, plus an added constant field along  $(-) m$ . Satellite magnetometer data imply that the added field -- if it exists -- is  $< 4 \times 10^{-3}$  times the dipole field at the magnetic equator. From this fact, estimate a lower limit on  $1/\mu$  (in earth radii), and an upper limit on  $m_\gamma$ , the photon mass. Compare your results with discussion in Jackson's Sec. I.2, p. 6.

● Extract the field invariant  $\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}$  from Lorentz invariance of  $F_{\alpha\beta} F^{\alpha\beta}$ .

A 1) Since  $(F_{\alpha\beta})$  &  $(F^{\alpha\beta})$  are fully qualified (co- and contra-variant) tensors, they transform by the rules given in Jackson Eqs. (11.64) & (11.63). In the new (primed) frame:

$$\rightarrow F'_{\alpha\beta} F'^{\alpha\beta} = \left[ \left( \frac{\partial x^\gamma}{\partial x'^\alpha} \right) \left( \frac{\partial x^\delta}{\partial x'^\beta} \right) F_{\gamma\delta} \right] \left[ \left( \frac{\partial x'^\alpha}{\partial x^\kappa} \right) \left( \frac{\partial x'^\beta}{\partial x^\lambda} \right) F^{\kappa\lambda} \right] = F_{\gamma\delta} a_\kappa^\gamma a_\lambda^\delta F^{\kappa\lambda}, \quad (1)$$

where:  $a_\kappa^\gamma = (\partial x^\gamma / \partial x'^\alpha)(\partial x'^\alpha / \partial x^\kappa)$ ,  $a_\lambda^\delta = (\partial x^\delta / \partial x'^\beta)(\partial x'^\beta / \partial x^\lambda)$ , by regrouping terms. With the summation convention:  $a_\kappa^\gamma = \partial x^\gamma / \partial x^\kappa = \delta_\kappa^\gamma$ , the Kronecker delta (because of the orthogonality of the  $x^\gamma$  cds). Similarly  $a_\lambda^\delta = \delta_\lambda^\delta$ . Then, on summing over the indices  $\lambda$  &  $\kappa$ , Eq. (1) yields...

$$\rightarrow F'_{\alpha\beta} F'^{\alpha\beta} = F_{\gamma\delta} \delta_\kappa^\gamma \delta_\lambda^\delta F^{\kappa\lambda} = F_{\gamma\delta} \delta_\kappa^\gamma F^{\kappa\delta} = F_{\gamma\delta} F^{\gamma\delta}. \quad (2)$$

So  $F_{\alpha\beta} F^{\alpha\beta}$  is a Lorentz invariant scalar... it is  $\equiv$  same in all Lorentz frames.

B 2) Since  $\underline{\underline{F}}$  is totally antisymmetric,  $F^{\alpha\beta} = -F^{\beta\alpha}$ , and the quantity of interest is:

$$F_{\alpha\beta} F^{\alpha\beta} = -F_{\alpha\beta} F^{\beta\alpha} = (-) [\underline{\underline{F}} \underline{\underline{F}}^T]_{\alpha\alpha} = (-) \text{Tr} [\underline{\underline{F}} \underline{\underline{F}}^T]. \quad (3)$$

"T" means transpose and "Tr" is trace ( $\equiv$  sum of diagonal elements). We want:

$$\text{Tr} [\underline{\underline{F}} \underline{\underline{F}}^T] = \text{Tr} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & E_1 & E_2 & E_3 \\ -E_1 & 0 & -B_3 & B_2 \\ -E_2 & B_3 & 0 & -B_1 \\ -E_3 & -B_2 & B_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & B_1 & B_2 & B_3 \\ -B_1 & 0 & -E_3 & E_2 \\ -B_2 & E_3 & 0 & -E_1 \\ -B_3 & -E_2 & E_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \text{Tr} \begin{bmatrix} -\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B} & & & \\ & -\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B} & & \\ & & -\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B} & \\ & & & -\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B} \end{bmatrix}$$

i.e.  $\text{Tr} [\underline{\underline{F}} \underline{\underline{F}}^T] = (-) 4 \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}$ , so  $\boxed{F_{\alpha\beta} F^{\alpha\beta} = 4 \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}}. \quad (4)$

The required field invariant is  $\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B} = E_k B_k$ . Note that we calculated only the diagonal elements of  $[\underline{\underline{F}} \underline{\underline{F}}^T]$ ; they were all we needed for  $\text{Tr} [\ ]$ .

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● For  $q$  in  $(\vec{A}, \phi)$ , verify Lorentz force law from Lagrange & Ham<sup>n</sup> eqns.

(a) For:  $L = -mc^2 \sqrt{1-(u/c)^2} - q\phi + \frac{q}{c} \vec{u} \cdot \vec{A}$ , and for the space-like comps...

$\frac{d}{dt} (\partial L / \partial \vec{u}) = \partial L / \partial \vec{x} \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} (\gamma m \vec{u} + \frac{q}{c} \vec{A}) = q [-\vec{\nabla} \phi + \frac{1}{c} \nabla(\vec{u} \cdot \vec{A})]$

$\swarrow$  gradients  $\quad \searrow$  particle momentum  $\vec{p}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = q [-\vec{\nabla} \phi + \frac{1}{c} \{ \vec{\nabla}(\vec{u} \cdot \vec{A}) - \frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} \}]$  (1)

But:  $\vec{\nabla}(\vec{u} \cdot \vec{A}) = (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{A} + (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{u} + \vec{u} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) + \vec{A} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{u})$ , and:  $\frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} = \partial \vec{A} / \partial t + (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{A}$ . Putting these into Eq. (1), we find usual 3-vector law...

$\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = q [ -(\vec{\nabla} \phi + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t}) + \frac{1}{c} \vec{u} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) ] = q (\vec{E} + \frac{1}{c} \vec{u} \times \vec{B})$  (2)

Since:  $\vec{E} = -(\vec{\nabla} \phi + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{A}}{\partial t})$ , and  $\vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}$ . For the work-energy theorem.

We know that with:  $\mathcal{E} = \gamma mc^2$ ,  $\mathcal{E}^2 = (c\vec{p})^2 + (mc^2)^2$ , we must have...

$\frac{d\mathcal{E}}{dt} = \left( \frac{c^2 \vec{p}}{\mathcal{E}} \right) \cdot \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = \vec{u} \cdot \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = \vec{u} \cdot q (\vec{E} + \frac{1}{c} \vec{u} \times \vec{B}) = q \vec{u} \cdot \vec{E}$  (3)

Eqs (2) & (3) together constitute the full Lorentz force law via the Lagrangian.

(b) For  $\mathcal{H} = [(c\vec{P} - q\vec{A})^2 + (mc^2)^2]^{1/2} + q\phi$ , use the Ham<sup>n</sup> eqns...

$\frac{d\vec{P}}{dt} = -\vec{\nabla} \mathcal{H} \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} (\vec{P} + \frac{q}{c} \vec{A}) = -q \vec{\nabla} \phi - \vec{\nabla} [ ]^{1/2}$

$\Rightarrow \frac{d\vec{P}}{dt} = q [-\vec{\nabla} \phi - \frac{1}{c} \frac{d\vec{A}}{dt}] - \frac{1}{2} \frac{c^2}{[ ]^{1/2}} \vec{\nabla} (\vec{\pi} \cdot \vec{\pi}), \quad \vec{\pi} = \vec{P} - \frac{q}{c} \vec{A}$  (4)

We have inserted the canonical momentum:  $\vec{P} = \vec{p} + \frac{q}{c} \vec{A}$ , on the LHS. If we remember:  $\vec{u} = c^2 \vec{\pi} / [ ]^{1/2}$ , from class notes, then the 2<sup>nd</sup> term RHS is...

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{c^2}{[\gamma]^{1/2}} \vec{\nabla}(\vec{\pi} \cdot \vec{\pi}) = \frac{c^2}{[\gamma]^{1/2}} \{(\vec{\pi} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{\pi} + \vec{\pi} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\pi})\} =$$

$$= -\frac{q}{c} [(\vec{u} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{A} + \vec{u} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A})]. \quad (5)$$

Here we've used  $\partial \vec{P} / \partial x_k \equiv 0$ , since  $\vec{P}$  &  $\vec{x}$  are independent canonical eds. Inserting this result in Eq. (4), we get...

$$\frac{d\vec{P}}{dt} = q \left[ -\vec{\nabla} \phi - \underbrace{\frac{1}{c} \left( \frac{d\vec{A}}{dt} - (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{A} \right)}_{= \partial \vec{A} / \partial t} + \vec{u} \times (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) \right] = q \left( \vec{E} + \frac{1}{c} \vec{u} \times \vec{B} \right). \quad (6)$$

This is the 3-vector part of the Lorentz law. The work-energy then can be proven as in Eq. (3), and so we have verified the Lorentz law also via Ham<sup>n</sup> eqns.

4pts (c) As  $c \rightarrow \infty$ , write the Ham<sup>n</sup> as...

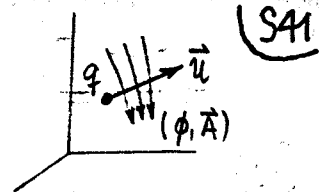
$$\mathcal{H} = q\phi + mc^2 \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{c\vec{P} - q\vec{A}}{mc^2} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \approx q\phi + mc^2 \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{c\vec{P} - q\vec{A}}{mc^2} \right)^2 + \dots \right\}$$

$$\text{or} \quad \mathcal{H} \approx mc^2 + \left[ q\phi + \frac{1}{2m} \left( \vec{P} - \frac{q}{c} \vec{A} \right)^2 \right]. \quad (7)$$

The [ ] is the lowest order part of  $\mathcal{H}$ , which is used e.g. in the (non-relativistic) Schrödinger eqn -- recall Prob 12. Only the [ ] need be used in the non-relativistic theory, because only energy level differences are measured, and -- without particle creation/annihilation -- the rest energy  $mc^2$  subtracts out.

3pts (d) The def<sup>n</sup> of the Ham<sup>n</sup>:  $\mathcal{H} = \vec{P} \cdot \vec{u} - L$ , involves the canonical momentum  $\vec{P} = \partial L / \partial \vec{u}$ , and it is this quantity which enters in the Poisson bracket formalism of classical mechanics. In the passage from CM  $\rightarrow$  QM, have Poisson bracket:  $\{Q_i, P_j\} \rightarrow \frac{1}{i\hbar} [Q_i, P_j] = \delta_{ij}$  (commutator bracket), so it is  $P_j$  which becomes an operator, not the kinematic  $p_j$ . See Schiff (3rd ed.), Sec. 24.

## Φ 519 Prob. Solutions



(SA1)

● Examine effect of gauge transform<sup>n</sup> on Lagrangian for  $q$  in  $(\phi, \vec{A})$ .

(a) For Lagrangians:  $L \nmid L' = L + \frac{d}{dt} \Gamma$ , which differ by the total time derivative of some scalar for  $\Gamma = \Gamma(\vec{x}, t)$ , we have the actions...

$$A = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} L dt, \quad A' = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} L' dt = A + \Gamma \Big|_{t=t_1}^{t=t_2}.$$

$A \nmid A'$  differ only by the integrated term, which is fixed at the endpts  $t_1 \nmid t_2$ . Any variational contribution  $\delta \Gamma \Big|_{t_1}^{t_2}$  to Hamilton's principle will then be  $\equiv 0$ , since  $\Gamma$  must also be fixed at  $t_1 \nmid t_2$ . So  $\delta A = 0 \nmid \delta A' = 0$  must lead to the same eqns-of-motion, and  $L \nmid L'$  are "gauge equivalent".

(b) For gauge transform:  $A^\alpha \rightarrow A^\alpha + \partial^\alpha \Lambda$ , work with Jackson's Eq. (12.8)...

$$L_{int} = -\frac{q}{\gamma c} U_\alpha A^\alpha \rightarrow L'_{int} = L_{int} - \frac{q}{\gamma c} U_\alpha \partial^\alpha \Lambda.$$

This is the only part of:  $L_{total} = L_{free} + L_{int}$ , for  $q$  in  $A^\alpha = (\phi, \vec{A})$ , which is changed by the gauge transform. But with...

$$\left. \begin{aligned} U_\alpha &= \gamma(c, -\vec{u}) \leftarrow \text{Eq. (11.36)} \\ \partial^\alpha &= \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial ct}, -\vec{\nabla} \right) \leftarrow \text{Eq. (11.76)} \end{aligned} \right\} U_\alpha \partial^\alpha \Lambda = \gamma \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \vec{u} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \right) \Lambda,$$

$$\text{So } L'_{int} = L_{int} - \underbrace{\frac{q}{c} \left[ \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \vec{u} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \right) \Lambda \right]}_{d\Lambda/dt}$$

The  $[ ]$  is instantly recognized as the (convective) total derivative for  $\Lambda = \Lambda(\vec{x}, t)$ , so  $L'_{int} \nmid L_{int}$  in fact differ only by a total  $t$ -derivative. By part (a), therefore,  $L'_{int} \nmid L_{int}$  are "gauge equivalent".

Work out field eqns for Lagrange density:  $\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{8\pi}(\partial_\alpha A_\beta)(\partial^\alpha A^\beta) - \frac{1}{c} J_\alpha A^\alpha$ .

(a) Make the covariant factor contravariant via:  $x_\alpha = g_{\alpha\tau} x^\tau$  (Jackson's Eq. (11.72)). Then...

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{8\pi} g_{\alpha\tau} g_{\beta\sigma} (\partial^\tau \partial A^\sigma)(\partial^\alpha A^\beta) - \frac{1}{c} J_\alpha A^\alpha \quad (1)$$

The field eqns are:  $\partial^\mu [\partial \mathcal{L} / \partial (\partial^\mu A^\nu)] = \partial \mathcal{L} / \partial A^\nu$ . Trivially:  $\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial A^\nu} = -\frac{1}{c} J_\nu$ .

On the LHS, we need to calculate...

~ Kronecker deltas

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial^\mu A^\nu)} = -\frac{1}{8\pi} g_{\alpha\tau} g_{\beta\sigma} [\delta_\mu^\tau \delta_\nu^\sigma (\partial^\alpha A^\beta) + (\partial^\tau A^\sigma) \delta_\mu^\alpha \delta_\nu^\beta] \quad \text{interchange indices}$$

$$\dots \text{both terms the same} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial^\mu A^\nu)} = -\frac{1}{4\pi} g_{\alpha\tau} g_{\beta\sigma} \delta_\mu^\tau \delta_\nu^\sigma (\partial^\alpha A^\beta) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} g_{\alpha\mu} g_{\beta\nu} (\partial^\alpha A^\beta)$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial^\mu A^\nu)} = -\frac{1}{4\pi} (g_{\mu\alpha} \partial^\alpha)(g_{\nu\beta} A^\beta) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} (\partial_\mu A_\nu) \quad (2)$$

The field eqns for  $\mathcal{L}$  then yield the familiar Maxwell wave eqn, Eq. (12.123)

$$\partial^\mu \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial (\partial^\mu \partial A^\nu)} \right] = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial A^\nu} \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{4\pi} \partial^\mu (\partial_\mu A_\nu) = -\frac{1}{c} J_\nu, \quad \therefore \boxed{\square A_\nu = \frac{4\pi}{c} J_\nu} \quad (3)$$

This is equivalent to Maxwell's Eqns, with the assumption of the Lorentz gauge.

(b) In Eq. (12.85):  $\mathcal{L}' = -\frac{1}{16\pi} (\partial_\alpha A_\beta - \partial_\beta A_\alpha)(\partial^\alpha A^\beta - \partial^\beta A^\alpha) - \frac{1}{c} J_\alpha A^\alpha$ . Difference is:

$$\Delta \mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L} - \mathcal{L}' = -\frac{1}{8\pi} \left[ (\partial_\alpha A_\beta)(\partial^\alpha A^\beta) - \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\alpha A_\beta - \partial_\beta A_\alpha)(\partial^\alpha A^\beta - \partial^\beta A^\alpha) \right]$$

$$\text{i.e.} \Delta \mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{8\pi} \left[ (\partial_\alpha A_\beta)(\partial^\alpha A^\beta) - \frac{1}{2} \{ (\partial_\alpha A_\beta)(\partial^\alpha A^\beta) - (\partial_\alpha A_\beta)(\partial^\beta A^\alpha) - (\partial_\beta A_\alpha)(\partial^\alpha A^\beta) + (\partial_\beta A_\alpha)(\partial^\beta A^\alpha) \} \right]$$

~ these terms are  $\equiv$ ; together they cancel first term in the [ ].

$$\Delta \mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{8\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{2} [(\partial_\alpha A_\beta)(\partial^\beta A^\alpha) + (\partial_\beta A_\alpha)(\partial^\alpha A^\beta)] = -\frac{1}{8\pi} (\partial_\alpha A_\beta)(\partial^\beta A^\alpha). \quad (4)$$

This  $\Delta \mathcal{L} = \partial_\alpha \left\{ -\frac{1}{8\pi} (A_\beta \partial^\beta A^\alpha) \right\}$  is a 4-divergence (in Lorentz gauge). The action is unaffected, since:  $\Delta A = \int d^4x \Delta \mathcal{L} \rightarrow 0$ , if pots vanish at  $\infty$ . This  $\Rightarrow$  field eqns are identical.

● Rediscover Schrodinger's Eqn via Lagrangian density formalism.

A. For:  $\mathcal{L} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left( \frac{\partial \psi^*}{\partial x_k} \right) \left( \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x_k} \right) + V \psi^* \psi - \frac{i\hbar}{2} \left[ \psi^* \left( \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \right) - \left( \frac{\partial \psi^*}{\partial t} \right) \psi \right]$ , with  $\xi = \psi, \psi^*$ ,  
there will be two eqns of motion:  $\partial^\mu [\partial \mathcal{L} / \partial (\partial^\mu \xi)] = \partial \mathcal{L} / \partial \xi$ , i.e.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \xi_t} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \xi_{x_k}} \right) = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \xi}, \text{ for } \xi = \psi \text{ \& } \xi = \psi^*. \quad (1)$$

Take  $\xi = \psi^*$  first, noting...

$$\partial \mathcal{L} / \partial \psi^* = V \psi - \frac{i\hbar}{2} \left( \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \right), \quad \partial \mathcal{L} / \partial \psi_t^* = + \frac{i\hbar}{2} \psi \quad (2)$$

$$\text{and } \partial \mathcal{L} / \partial \psi_{x_k}^* = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left( \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x_k} \right).$$

Putting this into Eq. (1), we easily get Schrodinger's wave eqn...

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{i\hbar}{2} \psi \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} \left[ \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \left( \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x_k} \right) \right] = V \psi - \frac{i\hbar}{2} \left( \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \right),$$

$$\text{or } \boxed{i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = - \frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 \psi + V \psi} \quad (3)$$

The Lagrange eqn.-of-motion [Eq (1)] for  $\xi = \psi$  gives the complex-conjugate version of this, viz:  $-i\hbar \psi^* = [-(\hbar^2/2m) \nabla^2 + V] \psi^*$ .

B. Above  $\mathcal{L}$  and wave eqn are manifestly non-covariant, since the space & time coords do not enter equivalently ( $\mathcal{L}$  is linear in  $\partial/\partial t$ , but quadratic in  $\partial/\partial x_k$ ). First step, in the quest for covariance, would be to replace the  $\partial/\partial?$  operators by the 4-vector  $\partial_\mu: \partial_\mu = \partial/\partial x^\mu$ , and to start out with:  $\mathcal{L}_0 = \text{const} \times (\partial_\mu \phi)^2$ , for a scalar wave field  $\phi$  -- this is a Lorentz scalar, and quadratic in  $\phi \Rightarrow$  linear wave eqn. Then can add a mass term  $\propto \mu^2 \phi^2$ , and some coupling of  $\phi$  with a scalar source  $\rho$ , i.e.  $\rho \phi$ . So:  $\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} [(\partial_\mu \phi)^2 + \mu^2 \phi^2] + \rho \phi$ , is OK  $\leftrightarrow (\square + \mu^2) \phi = -\rho$   $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Klein} \\ \text{Gordon} \\ \text{Eqn} \end{array} \right.$



➡ (1984) Analyse changes in earth's magnetic field for  $m(\text{photon}) > 0$ , à la Proca.

5pts (a) The steady-state Proca Eq. is:  $(\nabla^2 - \mu^2) A^\alpha = -\frac{4\pi}{c} J^\alpha$ . If we momentarily set  $\mu = ik$ , then the Green's fn for this eqn is:  $G_k = \frac{1}{R} e^{\pm ikR}$ , by Jackson's Eq. (6.62), with:  $R = |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|$  the field pt - source pt separation. We evidently want the exponentially damped Green's fn, i.e.  $G_\mu = \frac{1}{R} e^{-\mu R}$ , and the solution:

$$A^\alpha(\mathbf{r}) = \int \frac{d^3 r'}{R} e^{-\mu R} \cdot \frac{1}{c} J^\alpha(\mathbf{r}'). \quad (1)$$

If  $\phi = 0$ , and  $\mathbf{J} = c \nabla \times \mathbf{M}$ , with  $\mathbf{M} = m \mathbf{f}$  and  $m$  a const vector, then...

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}) = -m \times \int d^3 r' \left( \frac{e^{-\mu R}}{R} \right) \nabla' f(\mathbf{r}'), \quad (2)$$

is the vector potential [we've used:  $\nabla \times (m f) = (\nabla f) \times m$ , for  $m = \text{const}$ ].

Next, note that:  $F(R) \nabla' f(\mathbf{r}') = \nabla' [F(R) f(\mathbf{r}')] - f(\mathbf{r}') \nabla' F(R)$ ,

and  $\nabla' F(R) = -\nabla F(R)$ , for  $F(R) = \frac{1}{R} e^{-\mu R}$ , or in fact any fn of  $R$ .

Thus, with  $\nabla$  acting on the field pt  $\mathbf{r}$  now, so:  $-f(\mathbf{r}') \nabla' F(R) = \nabla [f(\mathbf{r}') F(R)]$

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}) = -m \times \nabla \int \frac{d^3 r'}{R} e^{-\mu R} f(\mathbf{r}') - m \times \int d^3 r' \nabla' \left[ \frac{e^{-\mu R}}{R} f(\mathbf{r}') \right] \quad (3)$$

The 2<sup>nd</sup> term integrates to the values of  $(e^{-\mu R}/R) f(\mathbf{r}')$  at  $\infty$ ; these vanish by assumption. The 1<sup>st</sup> term gives the required vector potential.

5pts (b) For a point dipole at the origin,  $f(\mathbf{r}') = \delta(\mathbf{r}')$ , and Eq. (3) gives...

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}) = -m \times \nabla \left( \frac{e^{-\mu r}}{r} \right) = -(m \times \hat{\mathbf{r}}) \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( \frac{e^{-\mu r}}{r} \right),$$

$$\text{or } \boxed{\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r}) = \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{r}) \times \hat{\mathbf{r}}}, \text{ where } \begin{cases} \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{r}) = m g(r), & \hat{\mathbf{r}} = \mathbf{r}/r, \\ \text{and } g(r) = \frac{1}{r^2} (1 + \mu r) e^{-\mu r}. \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

Now we need  $\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}) = \nabla \times \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r})$ . The usual vector identity prescribes...

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$$B(r) = G(\nabla \cdot \hat{r}) - (G \cdot \nabla) \hat{r} - \hat{r}(\nabla \cdot G) + (\hat{r} \cdot \nabla) G. \quad (5)$$

We easily calculate:  $(\nabla \cdot \hat{r}) = 2/r$ , for the first term. For the other terms...

$$[2]_x = (G_x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + G_y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + G_z \frac{\partial}{\partial z}) \frac{x}{r} ; \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{x}{r} \right) = \frac{1}{r} - \frac{x^2}{r^3}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{x}{r} \right) = -\frac{xy}{r^3}, \text{ etc.}$$

$$= \frac{G_x}{r} - \frac{x}{r^3} (r \cdot G) = \frac{1}{r} [G - \hat{r}(\hat{r} \cdot G)]_x \quad (6)$$

$$\text{So } 1 - 2 = \frac{1}{r} [G + \hat{r}(\hat{r} \cdot G)] = \frac{g}{r} [m + \hat{r}(\hat{r} \cdot m)] \quad (7)$$

$$\text{for } 3: \nabla \cdot G = \nabla \cdot (mg) = m \cdot \nabla g + g(\nabla \cdot m) = (m \cdot \hat{r}) \frac{\partial g}{\partial r} \quad (8)$$

$$\text{and } [4]_x = \left( \frac{x}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{y}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \frac{z}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) m_x g = m_x \left( \frac{\partial g}{\partial r} \right) = \left( m \frac{\partial g}{\partial r} \right)_x$$

Put all this together to write the field of Eq. (5) as ...

$$B(r) = \left( \frac{g}{r} - \frac{\partial g}{\partial r} \right) \hat{r}(\hat{r} \cdot m) + \left( \frac{g}{r} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial r} \right) m, \quad (9)$$

$$\text{w/ } g = \frac{1}{r^2} (1 + \mu r) e^{-\mu r} \Rightarrow \partial g / \partial r = (-) \frac{1}{r^3} [2(1 + \mu r) + \mu^2 r^2]$$

Calculating the coefficients in  $g$  here, we find -- as required --

$$B(r) = [3\hat{r}(\hat{r} \cdot m) - m] (1 + \mu r + \frac{1}{3} \mu^2 r^2) \frac{e^{-\mu r}}{r^3} - \frac{2}{3} \mu^2 m \frac{e^{-\mu r}}{r} \quad (10)$$

$$\text{5pts (c) At the equator } (\hat{r} \cdot m = 0): B = - \frac{m e^{-x}}{R_e^3} \left[ (1 + x + \frac{1}{3} x^2) - \frac{2}{3} x^2 \right],$$

where  $x = \mu R_e$ ,  $R_e$  = earth radius. The added/earth field ratio is

$$B_{\text{added}} / B_{\text{earth}} = \frac{2}{3} x^2 / (1 + x + \frac{1}{3} x^2) < 4 \times 10^{-3} \Rightarrow x = \mu R_e < 0.080. \quad (11)$$

This gives the lower limit:  $\mu^{-1} > R_e / 0.080 = 12.5 \text{ earth radii} = 79.6 \times 10^6 \text{ m.}$

Since:  $\mu = m_\gamma c / \hbar$ ,  $m_\gamma$  = photon mass, then:  $\underline{m_\gamma} < \frac{\hbar}{c} / 7.96 \times 10^9 \text{ cm} = 4.4 \times 10^{-48} \text{ gm.}$

This agrees with (and supplies the argument for) Jackson's claim on his p. 6, re  $m_\gamma$ .

