

Spinor Algebra

DR basis

$$\gamma_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \gamma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & i \\ 0 & 0 & i & 0 \\ 0 & -i & 0 & 0 \\ -i & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\gamma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \gamma_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -i \\ -i & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & i & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Helicity spinors (z-direction boost, y-rotate)

$$u_+(p) = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{E-p} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta/2 \\ \sin \theta/2 \end{pmatrix} \\ \sqrt{E+p} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta/2 \\ \sin \theta/2 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix} \quad u_-(p) = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{E+p} \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \theta/2 \\ \cos \theta/2 \end{pmatrix} \\ \sqrt{E-p} \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \theta/2 \\ \cos \theta/2 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}$$

When p along +z axis

$$u_+(p) = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{E-p} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \sqrt{E+p} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix} \quad u_-(p) = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{E+p} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \sqrt{E-p} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\langle N(p_f) | V_\mu(q^2) | N(p_i) \rangle$$

$$= \bar{u}(\vec{p}_f) \left[F_1(q^2) \gamma_\mu + i \sigma_{\mu\nu} q_\nu \frac{F_2(q^2)}{2M} \right] u(\vec{p}_i)$$

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$$M = \cancel{4} + \rightarrow + \sigma_{\mu\nu} = \frac{i}{2} [\gamma_\mu \gamma_\nu - \gamma_\nu \gamma_\mu]$$

$$(\sqrt{E-p_z} \ 0 \ \sqrt{E+p_z} \ 0) \gamma_{\cancel{4}} [F_1 \gamma_{\cancel{4}} + i \sigma_{\cancel{4}3} q_3 \frac{F_2}{2M}] \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{E-p_z} \\ 0 \\ \sqrt{E+p_z} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Set $p_f \equiv 0$ (fin state rest frame)

$$(\sqrt{M} \ 0 \ \sqrt{M} \ 0) \gamma_{\cancel{4}} [F_1 \gamma_{\cancel{4}} - i \sigma_{\cancel{4}3} q_3 \frac{F_2}{2M}] \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{E-q} \\ 0 \\ \sqrt{E+q} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\gamma_{\cancel{4}} \gamma_{\cancel{4}} = \mathbb{1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -i \gamma_{\cancel{4}} \sigma_{\cancel{4}3} &= \frac{1}{2} \gamma_{\cancel{4}} (\gamma_{\cancel{4}} \gamma_3 - \gamma_3 \gamma_{\cancel{4}}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\gamma_3 - \gamma_3^\dagger) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow F_1(q^2) \sqrt{M} (\sqrt{E-q} + \sqrt{E+q})$$

$$\left[\frac{\partial F_1}{\partial q^2} () \right]_{q^2=0} + F_1 \sqrt{M} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{E-q}} \left(-\frac{\partial q}{\partial q^2} \right) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{E+q}} \left(\frac{\partial q}{\partial q^2} \right) \right) \Big|_{q=0}$$

$$= 2M \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial q^2} \quad \text{negative helicity follows } \nabla \text{ same.}$$

$v_1 \nabla v_2$ gets $q F_2 \times$

$$\begin{aligned} \boxed{V_3} (\sqrt{M} \ 0 \ \sqrt{M} \ 0) \gamma_4 F_1 \gamma_3 \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{E-q} \\ 0 \\ \sqrt{E+q} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} &= i F_1(q^2) \sqrt{M} (\sqrt{E-q} + \sqrt{E+q}) \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -i \\ -i & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & i & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} -i & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & i & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & i & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -i \end{pmatrix} \times (\sqrt{E-q} + \sqrt{E+q}) \\ &\Rightarrow \text{diverges} \end{aligned}$$