

Problem 1.

Derive the completeness relation for a massive particle of spin 1 (see Problem 9.27 for the massless analog.) [Hint: Let the z axis point along \mathbf{p} . First construct three mutually orthogonal polarization vectors $(\epsilon_u^{(1)}, \epsilon_u^{(2)}, \epsilon_u^{(3)})$ that satisfy $p^u \epsilon_u = 0$ $\epsilon_u \epsilon^u = -1$.]

Solution

First, considering the Lorentz condition : $\partial_u A^u = 0$ (7.82)
For photon's case, which has spin 1 but massless,

$$A^\mu = a e^{-(i/\hbar)p \cdot x} \epsilon^\mu(p) \quad (7.89)$$

This should be the same. but \mathbf{p} (momentum) will be different, because of the mass.

- 1) The polarization vectors $\epsilon_\mu^{(s)}$ should satisfy the momentum space Lorentz and orthogonal conditions (7.101) \sim (7.103):
 $p^\mu \epsilon_\mu = 0, \quad \epsilon_\mu^{(1)} \epsilon^{(2)\mu} = 0, \quad \epsilon_\mu^{(1)} \epsilon^{(1)\mu} = -1$
- 2) Using the Lorentz condition : $\epsilon^\mu p_\mu = 0$ (9.2), and set the z axis as a polarization, $\epsilon_\mu^{(1)} = (1, 0, 0)$ and $\epsilon_\mu^{(2)} = (0, 1, 0)$,