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## Klein-Gordon Equation

$$\tilde{E}^2 = \vec{p}^2 + m^2 \quad (\text{Einstein energy-momentum})$$

$$\hat{E}^2 \psi(x,t) = \hat{\vec{p}}^2 \psi(x,t) + m^2 \psi(x,t)$$

$$\hat{E} = i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \quad \hat{\vec{p}} = -i \nabla$$

$$- \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \psi = - \nabla^2 \psi + m^2 \psi(x,t)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial t^2} = \nabla^2 \psi - m^2 \psi$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial t^2} - \nabla^2 \psi + m^2 \psi = 0$$

$$\partial^\mu \partial_\mu = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} \rightsquigarrow \text{Lorentz Invariant}$$

$$( \partial^\mu \partial_\mu + m^2 ) \psi = 0$$

Negative energy  
solutions!

$$\left. \begin{aligned} E &= \pm \sqrt{\vec{p}^2 + m^2} \\ \end{aligned} \right\}$$

# The Dirac Equation

$$E^2 = \vec{p}^2 + m^2$$

$$\hat{E}\Psi = (\alpha \cdot \vec{p} + \beta m) \Psi$$

$$-i\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\Psi = \left( i\alpha_x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + i\alpha_y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + i\alpha_z \frac{\partial}{\partial z} + \beta m \right) \Psi$$

↓ Square this

$$-\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2}\Psi = \left( +i\alpha_x \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial x^2} + i\alpha_y \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial y^2} + i\alpha_z \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial z^2} - \beta m \right) \left( +i\alpha_x \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} + i\alpha_y \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y} + i\alpha_z \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z} - \beta m \right)$$

$$+ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2}\Psi = -\alpha_x^2 \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial x^2} - \alpha_y^2 \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial y^2} - \alpha_z^2 \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial z^2} = \beta^2 m^2 \Psi$$

$$(-\alpha_x \alpha_y + \alpha_y \alpha_x) \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x \partial y} + (\alpha_y \alpha_z + \alpha_z \alpha_y) \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y \partial z} + (-\alpha_z \alpha_x + \alpha_x \alpha_z) \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x \partial z} \\ + (i)(\alpha_x \beta + \beta \alpha_x) m \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} + (i)(\alpha_y \beta + \beta \alpha_y) \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y} + (i)(\alpha_z \beta + \beta \alpha_z) m \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z}$$

↓ Reduce to the Klein-Gordon Eqn.

$$\frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial t^2} = \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial z^2} - m^2 \Psi$$

$$\alpha_x^2 = \alpha_y^2 = \alpha_z^2 = \beta^2 = I$$

$$\alpha_j \beta + \beta \alpha_j = 0$$

$$\alpha_j \alpha_k + \alpha_k \alpha_j = 0 \quad (k \neq j)$$

# Anti-Commutation Relations



$\alpha_i$  and  $\beta$  should be matrices

$$\text{Tr} (ABC) = \text{Tr} (BCA) \quad \text{"Cyclic property"}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Tr} (\alpha_i) &= \text{Tr} (\alpha_i \underbrace{\beta \beta}_{I}) = \text{Tr} (\beta \underbrace{\alpha_i \beta}_{-\beta \alpha_i}) = -\text{Tr} (\beta \underbrace{\beta \alpha_i}_{I}) \\ &\boxed{\text{Tr} (\alpha_i) = -\text{Tr} (\alpha_i)} \end{aligned}$$



Trace of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  should be "0"

Eigenvalues of  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta$  =  $\pm 1$

$$\alpha_i X = \lambda X$$

$$\text{since } \alpha_i^2 = I$$

$$X = \alpha_i^2 X = \alpha_i \underbrace{\alpha_i X}_{\lambda X} = \lambda \alpha_i X = \lambda^2 X$$

$$\text{Thus } \lambda^2 = 1 \rightarrow \boxed{\lambda = \pm 1}$$

$$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 0 = \text{Trace}$$

$$\hat{E}\Psi = (\alpha \cdot \hat{\vec{p}} + \beta m) \Psi$$

$$H_D = \alpha \cdot \hat{\vec{p}} + \beta m$$

Dirac Hamiltonian

To have real eigenvalues  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta$  should be Hermitian

$$\alpha_x = \alpha_x^+ \quad \alpha_y = \alpha_y^+ \quad \alpha_z = \alpha_z^+ \quad \beta = \beta^+$$

(underbrace)

4 mutually anticommuting Hermitian Matrices  
of even dimension and  
trace zero

Therefore, the Dirac Hamiltonian is a  $4 \times 4$   
matrix of operators that must act  
on a 4-component wavefunction

Dirac Spinor

$$\Psi = \begin{pmatrix} \Psi_1 \\ \Psi_2 \\ \Psi_3 \\ \Psi_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

Conventional Choice:  $\beta = \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & -I \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\alpha_i = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_i \\ \bar{\sigma}_i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \sigma_x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \sigma_y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \sigma_z = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Probability density and probability current

$$\Psi^* \rightarrow \Psi^+ = (\Psi^*)^T$$

$$-i\alpha_x \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} - i\alpha_y \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y} - i\alpha_z \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z} + M\beta\Psi = +i \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} \quad (1)$$



Hermitian conjugate

$$+i \frac{\partial \Psi^+}{\partial x} \alpha_x^+ + i \frac{\partial \Psi^+}{\partial y} \alpha_y^+ + i \frac{\partial \Psi^+}{\partial z} \alpha_z^+ + M\Psi^+ \beta^+ = -i \frac{\partial \Psi^+}{\partial t} \quad (2)$$

$$\Psi^+ (1) - (2) \Psi$$

$$= \Psi^+ \left( -i\alpha_x \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} - i\alpha_y \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y} - i\alpha_z \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z} + M\beta\Psi \right)$$

$$- \left( +i \frac{\partial \Psi^+}{\partial x} \alpha_x^+ + i \frac{\partial \Psi^+}{\partial y} \alpha_y^+ + i \frac{\partial \Psi^+}{\partial z} \alpha_z^+ + M\Psi^+ \beta^+ \right) \Psi$$

$$= i\Psi^+ \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z} + i \frac{\partial \Psi^+}{\partial t} \Psi$$

$$\Psi^+ \alpha_x \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \Psi^+}{\partial x} \alpha_x \Psi = \frac{\partial (\Psi^+ \alpha_x \Psi)}{\partial x}$$

$$\rightarrow \Psi^+ \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \Psi^+}{\partial t} \Psi = \frac{\partial (\Psi^+ \Psi)}{\partial t}$$

$$\nabla \cdot (\vec{j}) + \frac{\partial(\rho)}{\partial t} = 0$$

"Continuity Equation"

prob. current

$$\vec{j} = \Psi^+ \vec{\alpha} \Psi$$

prob. density

$$\rho = \Psi^+ \Psi$$

$$\rho = \Psi^+ \Psi = |\Psi_1|^2 + |\Psi_2|^2 + |\Psi_3|^2 + |\Psi_4|^2$$

"Probability density"

## Spin and the Dirac Equation

$$\frac{d\langle \hat{\sigma} \rangle}{dt} = i \langle \Psi | [\hat{H}, \hat{\sigma}] | \Psi \rangle$$

If the operator  $\hat{\sigma}$  commutes with the Hamiltonian

of the system, it's a constant of the motion

[conserved quantity]

Hamiltonian  
of the free  
particle

$$\hat{H}_{SE} = \frac{\hat{p}^2}{2m}$$

Schrodinger

$\hat{L}$  is conserved  
quantity in non-relativistic  
QM

$$[\hat{H}_{SE}, \hat{L}] = 0$$

$$\hat{r} \times \hat{p}$$

$$\hat{H}_D = \alpha \cdot \hat{\vec{p}} + \beta m$$

$$[\hat{H}_D, \hat{L}] = [\alpha \cdot \hat{\vec{p}} + \beta m, \hat{\vec{r}} \times \hat{\vec{p}}] = [\alpha \cdot \hat{\vec{p}}, \hat{\vec{r}} \times \hat{\vec{p}}]$$

$$[\hat{H}_D, \hat{L}_x] = [\alpha \cdot \hat{\vec{p}}, (\hat{\vec{r}} \times \hat{\vec{p}})_x] = [\alpha \cdot \hat{\vec{p}}_x + \alpha_y \hat{p}_y + \alpha_z \hat{p}_z, \hat{y} \hat{p}_z - \hat{z} \hat{p}_y]$$

$$[\hat{H}_D, \hat{L}_x] = \underbrace{\alpha_y [\hat{p}_y, \hat{y}]}_{-i} \hat{p}_z - \underbrace{\alpha_z [\hat{p}_z, \hat{z}]}_{-i} \hat{p}_y$$

$$= -i (\alpha_y \hat{p}_z - \alpha_z \hat{p}_y) = -i (\alpha \times \hat{\vec{p}})_x$$

↓ Generalize this result to L

$$[\hat{H}_D, \hat{L}] = -i \alpha \times \hat{\vec{p}}$$

↑  
L does not commute with  $\hat{H}_D$

Thus, L is not a conserved quantity

Let's define

$$\hat{S} = \frac{1}{2} \hat{\Sigma} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma \end{pmatrix}_{4 \times 4}$$

Pauli-Spin Matrices

$$[\alpha_i, \hat{\Sigma}_x] = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_i \\ \sigma_i & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_x & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_x \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_x & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_x \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_i \\ \sigma_i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_i \sigma_x \\ \sigma_i \sigma_x & 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_x \sigma_i \\ \sigma_x \sigma_i & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & [\sigma_i, \sigma_x] \\ [\sigma_i, \sigma_x] & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$[\sigma_x, \sigma_x] = 0$$

$$[\sigma_y, \sigma_x] = -2i\sigma_2$$

$$[\sigma_z, \sigma_x] = 2i\sigma_4$$

$$[\alpha_x, \hat{\Sigma}_x] = 0$$

$$[\alpha_y, \hat{\Sigma}_x] = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2i\sigma_2 \\ -2i\sigma_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = -2i\alpha_2$$

$$[\alpha_z, \hat{\Sigma}_x] = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2i\sigma_4 \\ 2i\sigma_4 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = 2i\alpha_y$$

$$[\hat{H}_D, \hat{\Sigma}_x] = [\alpha \cdot \hat{\vec{p}} + \beta_M, \hat{\Sigma}_x]$$

$[\beta, \hat{\Sigma}_x] = 0$

$$= [\alpha \cdot \hat{\vec{p}}, \hat{\Sigma}_x]$$

$$= [\alpha_x \hat{p}_x + \alpha_y \hat{p}_y + \alpha_z \hat{p}_z, \hat{\Sigma}_x]$$

$$= \hat{p}_x [\alpha_x, \hat{\Sigma}_x] + \underbrace{\hat{p}_y [\alpha_y, \hat{\Sigma}_x]}_{-i\hbar\epsilon_x} + \underbrace{\hat{p}_z [\alpha_z, \hat{\Sigma}_x]}_{2i\epsilon_y}$$

$$[\hat{H}_D, \hat{E}_x] = 2i (\alpha \times \hat{\vec{p}})_x$$

↓ Generalize where  $\hat{S} = \frac{1}{2} \sum \hat{\vec{s}}$

$$[\hat{H}_D, \hat{S}] = i \alpha \times \hat{\vec{p}}$$

$\downarrow \hat{S}$  also does not commute

$$\hat{J} = \hat{L} + \hat{S}$$

$$[\hat{H}_D, \hat{J}] = [\hat{H}_D, \hat{L} + \hat{S}] = -i \alpha \times \hat{\vec{p}} + i \alpha \times \hat{\vec{p}} = 0$$

$\downarrow$  Conserved quantity     $\downarrow$  orbital angular mom.     $\downarrow$  intrinsic angular momentum (SPIN)

$$\hat{S}^2 = \frac{1}{4} \left( \hat{\Sigma_x}^2 + \hat{\Sigma_y}^2 + \hat{\Sigma_z}^2 \right) = \frac{3}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{S}^2 |s, m_s\rangle = s(s+1) |s, m_s\rangle$$

$$\hat{S}^2 \Psi = s(s+1) \Psi = \frac{3}{4} \Psi$$

$$\vec{p} = \frac{q}{m} \hat{S}$$

↗

intrinsic magnetic momentum  $s = \frac{1}{2}$

### Covariant form of the Dirac Equation

Pre-multiply the Dirac Eqn with  $\beta$

$$\hat{E}\Psi = (\alpha \cdot \vec{p} + \beta m) \Psi$$

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi = \left( -i\alpha_x \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - i\alpha_y \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - i\alpha_z \frac{\partial}{\partial z} + \beta m \right) \Psi$$

$$i\beta \alpha_x \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} + i\beta \alpha_y \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y} + i\beta \alpha_z \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z} + i\beta \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} - \beta^2 m \Psi = 0$$

↗  $\gamma_1$       ↗  $\gamma_2$       ↗  $\gamma_3$       ↗  $\gamma_0$       ↗  $I$

The four- Dirac matrices  $\rightsquigarrow \gamma^{\mu} = (\beta, \beta\alpha_x, \beta\alpha_y, \beta\alpha_z)$

$\hookrightarrow$  They're not 4 vectors !

$$i\gamma^0 \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} + i\gamma^1 \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} + i\gamma^2 \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y} + i\gamma^3 \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z} - m\Psi = 0$$

$\downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow$   
 $\partial_0 \quad \partial_1 \quad \partial_2 \quad \partial_3$

$$(i\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu} - m)\Psi = 0$$

## Properties

$$(\gamma^0)^2 = I$$

$\hookrightarrow$  from anti-commutation

$$(\gamma^1)^2 = (\beta\alpha_x)(\beta\alpha_x) = \underbrace{(-\alpha_x\beta)}_{I} \underbrace{(\beta\alpha_x)}_{I} = -\underbrace{\alpha_x^2}_{I} = -I$$

$$(\gamma^k)^2 = -I \quad (k \neq 0)$$

$$\gamma^{\mu}\gamma^{\nu} = -\gamma^{\nu}\gamma^{\mu} \quad (\mu \neq \nu)$$

$$\{\gamma^{\mu}, \gamma^{\nu}\} = \gamma^{\mu}\gamma^{\nu} + \gamma^{\nu}\gamma^{\mu} = 2g^{\mu\nu}$$

$$(\gamma^1)^+ = (\beta\alpha_x)^+ = \alpha_x^+\beta^+ = \alpha_x\beta = -\beta\alpha_x = -\gamma^1$$

$$(\gamma^0)^+ = \gamma^0 \quad \text{Hermitian} \quad \text{and} \quad (\gamma^k)^+ = -\gamma^k \quad \text{anti-Hermitian}$$

$$\gamma^0 = \beta = \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & -I \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\gamma^\kappa = \beta \alpha_\kappa = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma_\kappa \\ -\sigma_\kappa & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The adjoint spinor and the covariant current

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \rho = \psi^+ \psi \\ j = \psi^+ \alpha \psi \end{array} \right\} \quad j^N = (\rho, j) = \psi^+ \gamma^0 \gamma^N \psi$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \vec{j} = 0$$
  

$$\partial_\mu j^N = 0$$

"Charge Conservation"

$$j^N = \underbrace{\psi^+}_{\bar{\psi}} \gamma^0 \gamma^N \psi \xrightarrow{\text{simplify}} j^N = \bar{\psi} \gamma^N \psi$$

$\bar{\psi}$  (adjoint spinor)

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\psi} = \psi^+ \gamma^0 &= (\psi^*)^T \gamma^0 = (\psi_1^*, \psi_2^*, \psi_3^*, \psi_4^*) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & -1 & \\ & & & -1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (\psi_1^*, \psi_2^*, -\psi_3^*, -\psi_4^*) \end{aligned}$$

# Solutions to the Dirac Equation

$$\Psi(x, t) = \underbrace{u(E, p)}_{\sim} e^{i(p \cdot x - Et)}$$

4-component Dirac spinor  $(u_0, u_1, u_2, u_3)$

$$(i\gamma^N \partial_N - m) \Psi = 0$$

"Dirac Equation"

$$\partial_0 \Psi = \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = -iE\Psi$$

$$\partial_1 \Psi = \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} = i p_x \Psi$$

$$\partial_2 \Psi = \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y} = i p_y \Psi$$

$$\partial_3 \Psi = \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z} = i p_z \Psi$$

Substitute

$$(i\gamma^0 E - i\gamma^1 p_x - i\gamma^2 p_y - i\gamma^3 p_z - m) \underbrace{u(E, p)}_{\psi} e^{i(p \cdot x - Et)} = 0$$

$$(i\gamma^N p_N - m) u = 0$$



No derivative is included

→ Particle at rest

$$\Psi = \psi(E, 0) e^{-iEt}$$

$$\gamma^0 E u = m u$$

$$E \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & -1 & \\ & & & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \\ \phi_3 \\ \phi_4 \end{pmatrix} = m \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \\ \phi_3 \\ \phi_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$u_1(E, 0) = N \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} \text{Eigenvalues } E = +m$$
$$u_2(E, 0) = N \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\}$$

$$u_3(E, 0) = N \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} \text{Eigenvalues } E = -m$$
$$u_4(E, 0) = N \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\}$$

It is not possible to avoid negative energy solution

$$\Psi_1 = N \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} e^{-imt}$$
$$\Psi_2 = N \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} e^{-int}$$
$$\Psi_3 = N \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} e^{+imt}$$

$$\Psi_4 = N \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{+int}$$

→ General free-particle solutions

$$(\bar{E} \gamma^0 - p_x \gamma^1 - p_y \gamma^2 - p_z \gamma^3 - m) v = 0$$

$$\left[ \bar{E} \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & -I \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p} \\ \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p} & 0 \end{pmatrix} - m \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{pmatrix} \right] v = 0$$

$$\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p} = \begin{pmatrix} p_z & p_x - i p_y \\ p_x + i p_y & -p_z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v = \begin{pmatrix} v_A \\ v_B \end{pmatrix} \quad (\because)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} (\bar{E}-m) I & -\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p} \\ \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p} & -(\bar{E}+m) I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_A \\ v_B \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$(\bar{E}-m) v_A - \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p} v_B = 0 \quad \mid \quad \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p} v_A - (\bar{E}+m) v_B = 0$$

$$v_A = \frac{\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}}{\bar{E}-m} v_B$$

$$v_B = \frac{\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}}{\bar{E}+m} v_A$$

①  $v_1$  and  $v_2$

Assume  $v_A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $v_B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$v_B = \frac{\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}}{(E+m)} = \frac{1}{(E+m)} \begin{pmatrix} p_z & p_x - i p_y \\ p_x + i p_y & -p_z \end{pmatrix} v_A$$

$$v_1(E, \vec{p}) = N_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \frac{p_z}{E+m} \\ \frac{p_x + i p_y}{E+m} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v_2(E, \vec{p}) = N_2 \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \frac{p_x - i p_y}{E+m} \\ \frac{-p_z}{E+m} \end{pmatrix}$$

②  $v_3$  and  $v_4$

$$v_B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad v_B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

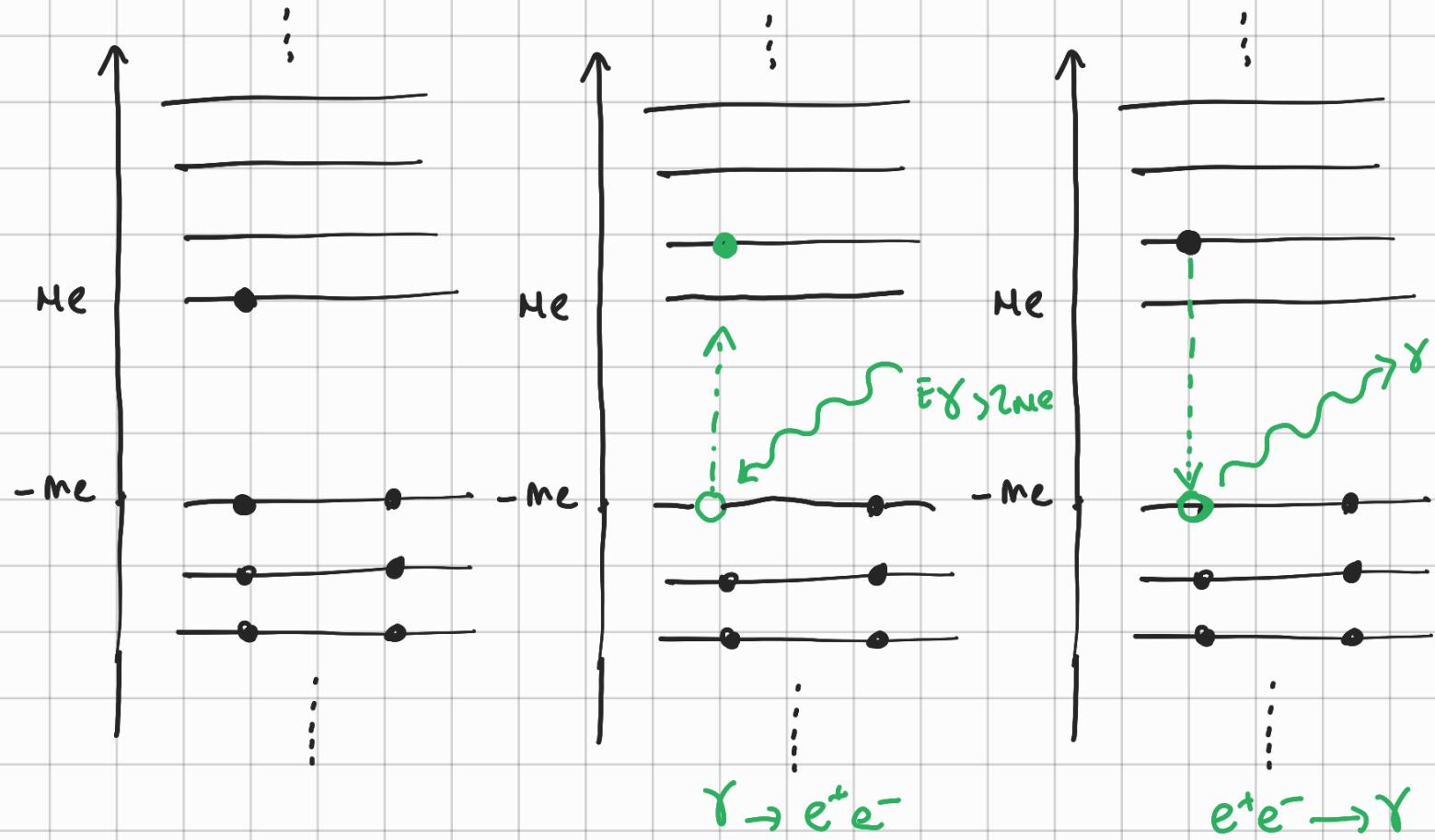
$$v_A = \frac{\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}}{E-m} v_B$$

$$v_3(E, \vec{p}) = N_3 \begin{pmatrix} \frac{p_z}{E-m} \\ \frac{p_x + i p_y}{E-m} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

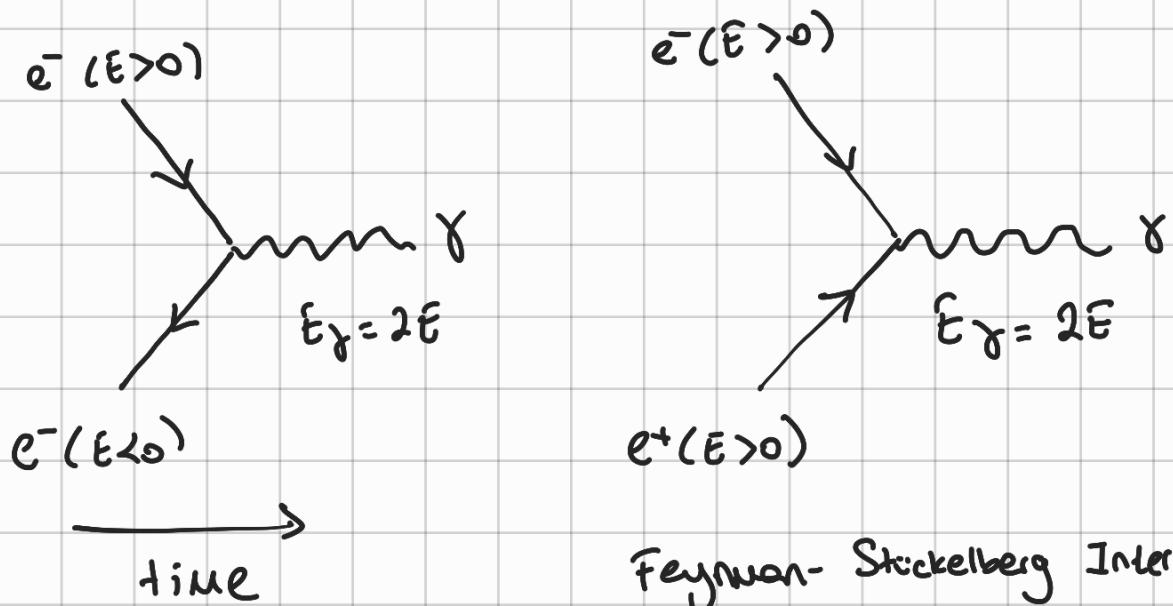
$$v_4(E, \vec{p}) = N_4 \begin{pmatrix} \frac{p_x - i p_y}{E-m} \\ \frac{-p_z}{E-m} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# Antiparticles

## The Dirac Sea interpretation



## The Feynman - Stückelberg Interpretation



Time dependence of the wavefunction  $\exp(-iEt)$

$$E \rightarrow -E \quad t \rightarrow -t$$

$$\exp(-iEt) = \exp(-i(-E)(-t))$$

Antiparticle Spinors

Write ( $E < 0$ ) solutions  $v_3$  and  $v_4$  in terms of

( $E > 0$ ) antiparticle spinors  $\psi_1$  and  $\psi_2$

↳ Simply reverse the sign  $E$  and  $\vec{p}$

$$\psi_1(E, \vec{p}) e^{-i(p \cdot x - Et)} = v_4(-E, -\vec{p}) e^{i[(\vec{p}) \cdot \vec{x} - (-E)t]}$$

$$\psi_2(E, \vec{p}) e^{-i(p \cdot x - Et)} = v_3(-E, -\vec{p}) e^{i[(\vec{p}) \cdot \vec{x} - (-E)t]}$$

$$\Psi(x, t) = \psi(E, \vec{p}) e^{-i(\vec{p} \cdot x - Et)}$$

↑ exp. is reversed

$$\Psi(x, t) = v(E, \vec{p}) e^{+i(\vec{p} \cdot x - Et)}$$

$$i \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = -E \Psi$$

 Substitute the  $\Psi$  into Dirac Eqn  
 $(i\gamma^\mu \partial_\mu - m)\Psi = 0$

$$(-\gamma^0 E + \gamma^1 p_x + \gamma^2 p_y + \gamma^3 p_z - m) \psi = 0$$

$$(\gamma^N p_N + m) \psi = 0$$

$$\psi = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_a \\ \psi_b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\psi_a = \frac{\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}}{E+m} \psi_b$$

and

$$\psi_b = \frac{\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}}{E-m} \psi_a$$

$$\psi_b = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow \downarrow \psi_1, \psi_2 \rightarrow \psi_b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\psi_a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow \downarrow \psi_3, \psi_4 \rightarrow \psi_a = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\psi_1 = N \begin{pmatrix} \frac{p_x - i p_y}{E+m} \\ \frac{-p_z}{E+m} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad ? \quad E = + \sqrt{p^2 + m^2}$$

$$\psi_3 = N \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \frac{p_z}{E-N} \\ \frac{p_x + i p_y}{E-N} \end{pmatrix} \quad ? \quad E = - \sqrt{p^2 + m^2}$$

$$\psi_2 = N \begin{pmatrix} \frac{p_z}{E+m} \\ \frac{p_x + i p_y}{E+m} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad ?$$

$$\psi_4 = N \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \frac{p_x - i p_y}{E-m} \\ \frac{-p_z}{E-m} \end{pmatrix}$$

Solutions :  $\{v_1, v_2, \vartheta_1, \vartheta_2\}$  with  $E > 0$

$$\Psi_i = v_i e^{+i(\vec{p} \cdot \vec{x} - Et)} \quad (i=1,2)$$

$$v_1(p) = \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \frac{p_z}{E+m} \\ \frac{p_x + ip_y}{E+m} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v_2(p) = \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \frac{p_x - ip_y}{E+m} \\ \frac{-p_z}{E+m} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Psi_i = \vartheta_i e^{-i(\vec{p} \cdot \vec{x} - Et)}$$

$$v_1(p) = \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{p_x - ip_y}{E+m} \\ \frac{-p_z}{E+m} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vartheta_2(p) = \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{p_z}{E+m} \\ \frac{p_x + ip_y}{E+m} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Wavefunction Normalization

\* Spinors are normalized to the conventional  $2E$  particles per unit volume.

$$\text{Ex. } \Psi = v_1(p) \exp i(\vec{p} \cdot \vec{x} - Et) \rightarrow f = \Psi^+ \Psi = v_1^+ v_1$$

$$|u_1|^2 |u_2|^2 = |N|^2 \left( 1 + \frac{p_z^2}{(E+m)^2} + \frac{p_x^2 + p_y^2}{(E+m)^2} \right) = |N|^2 \frac{2E}{E+m}$$

$$\frac{(E+m)^2 + \vec{p}^2}{(E+m)^2} = \frac{E^2 + 2Em + m^2 + \vec{p}^2}{(E+m)^2} = \frac{2E^2 + 2Em}{(E+m)^2} = \frac{2E(E+m)}{(E+m)^2}$$

Thus to normalize  $\Psi$  to  $2E$  particles per unit volume

$$\hookrightarrow N = \sqrt{E+m}$$

## Operators and the antiparticle spinors

$$\Psi = \psi(E, \vec{p}) e^{-i(\vec{p} \cdot \vec{x} - Et)}$$

$$\hat{H}\Psi = i \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} = -E\Psi$$

$$\hat{\vec{p}}\Psi = -i\nabla\Psi = -\vec{p}\Psi$$

Thus, define new operators for  
anti-particle spinors

$$\hat{H}^{(s)} = -i \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$$

$$\hat{\vec{p}}^{(s)} = +i\nabla$$

$$\hat{\vec{L}} = \vec{r} \times \vec{p} \longrightarrow -\hat{\vec{L}} = \hat{\vec{L}}^{(s)}$$

$$\hat{S}^{(s)} = -S$$

# Charge Conjugation

electromagnetic field  $A^N = (\phi, \vec{A})$

$$E \rightarrow E - q\phi \quad \vec{p} = \vec{p} - q\vec{A}$$

(energy)                          charge of the particle

$$P_N \rightarrow P_N - q A_N \quad (4\text{-vector notation})$$

$\brace{QN \text{ version}}$

$$i\partial_N \rightarrow i\partial_N - q A_\mu \quad \text{where } q = -e \quad (\text{electron charge})$$

$(i\gamma^N \partial_N - m)\Psi = 0 \rightarrow \text{Dirac Equation}$

$$\gamma^N (i\partial_N) \Psi - m \Psi = 0$$

$$(-i) \times \gamma^N (i\partial_N - q A_\mu) \Psi - m \Psi = 0$$

$$\gamma^N (+\partial_N - ie A_\mu) \Psi + im \Psi = 0 \rightarrow \text{Dirac Eqn for } e^-$$

↓ take the complex conjugate

$$(-i\gamma^2) \left[ (\gamma^N)^* (\partial_N + ie A_\mu) \Psi^* - im \Psi \right] = 0$$

$$-i\gamma^2 (\gamma^N)^* (\partial_N + ie A_\mu) \Psi^* - m \gamma^2 \Psi = 0$$



$$(\gamma^0)^* = \gamma^0$$

$$(\gamma^1)^* = \gamma^1$$

$$(\gamma^2)^* = -\gamma^2$$

$$(\gamma^3)^* = \gamma^3$$

due to  $\sigma_3$

$$\gamma^2 \gamma^N = -\gamma^N \gamma^2 \quad \text{for } n \neq 2$$

$$-i \gamma^2 (\gamma^N)^* (2_N + ieA_N) \psi^* - m \gamma^2 \psi = 0$$

$$\text{for } n=2 \quad -i \gamma^2 \frac{(\gamma^2)^*}{-\gamma^2} (2_N + ieA_N) \psi^* - m \gamma^2 \psi = 0$$

$$+ i(-i) (2_N + ieA_N) \psi^* - m \gamma^2 \psi = 0$$

$$\text{for } n \neq 2 \quad -i \gamma^2 \gamma^N (2_N + ieA_N) \psi^* - m \gamma^2 \psi = 0$$

$$\gamma^N (2_N + ieA_N) \underbrace{(i \gamma^2) \psi^*}_{\psi'} + im \underbrace{i \gamma^2 \psi^*}_{\psi'} = 0$$

$$\text{Define } \psi' = i \gamma^2 \psi^*$$

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$$\gamma^N (2_N + ieA_N) \psi' + im \psi' = 0$$

anti-particle wavefunction

$$\psi' = \hat{C} \psi = i \gamma^2 \psi^*$$

charge conjugation operator

Ex

$$\Psi = v_1 e^{i(\vec{p} \cdot x - Et)}$$

$$\Psi' = \hat{C} \Psi = i \gamma^2 \Psi^* = i \gamma^2 v_1^* e^{-i(\vec{p} \cdot x - Et)}$$

$$i \gamma^2 v_1^* = i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & +1 \\ 0 & 0 & \cancel{\gamma} & -1 \\ 0 & \cancel{\gamma} & 0 & 0 \\ -\cancel{\gamma} & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \frac{p_z}{E+m} \\ \frac{p_x + i p_y}{E+m} \end{pmatrix}^* = \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{p_x - i p_y}{E+m} \\ \frac{-p_z}{E+m} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$v_1$

(anti-particle spinor)

$$\Psi = v_1 e^{i(\vec{p} \cdot x - Et)} \xrightarrow{\hat{C}} \vartheta_1 e^{-i(\vec{p} \cdot x - Et)}$$

$$\Psi = v_2 e^{i(\vec{p} \cdot x - Et)} \xrightarrow{\hat{C}} \vartheta_2 e^{-i(\vec{p} \cdot x - Et)}$$

## Spin and Helicity States

$$\hat{S}_z = \frac{1}{2} \sum_z = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_z & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_z \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

→ For particle at rest  $v_1(E, 0)$  and  $v_2(E, 0)$  are eigenstates of  $\hat{S}_z$ .   
↓ spin-up ↓ spin-down

→ However general solutions  $\{v_1, v_2, \vartheta_1, \vartheta_2\}$  spinors are not eigenstates of  $\hat{S}_z$ .

For the particles / anti-particles travelling in the  $\pm 2$  direction

$$\vec{p} = \pm \hat{p} \hat{z}$$

$$v_1(p) = \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \frac{p_z}{E+m} \\ \frac{p_x+ip_y}{E+m} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v_2(p) = \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \frac{p_x-ip_y}{E+m} \\ 0 \\ -\frac{p_z}{E+m} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v_1(p) = \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{p_x-ip_y}{E+m} \\ -\frac{p_z}{E+m} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v_2(p) = \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{p_z}{E+m} \\ \frac{p_x+ip_y}{E+m} \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{S}_z v_1(E, 0, 0, \pm p) = +\frac{1}{2} v_1(E, 0, 0, \pm p) \rightarrow \text{SPIN-UP}$$

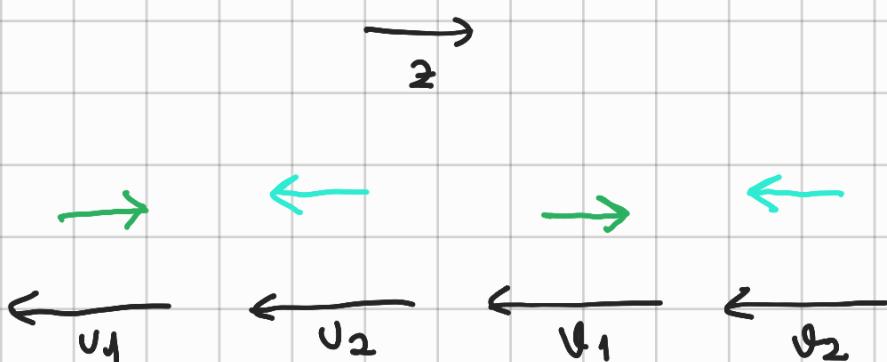
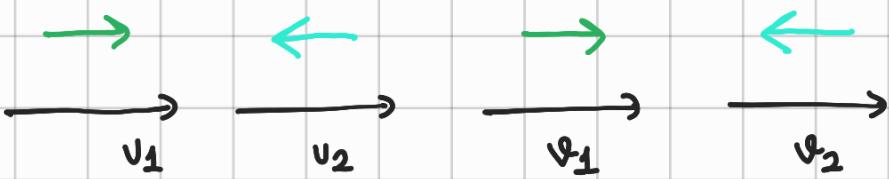
$$\hat{S}_z v_2(E, 0, 0, \pm p) = -\frac{1}{2} v_2(E, 0, 0, \pm p) \rightarrow \text{SPIN DOWN}$$

for the anti-particles

$$\hat{S}_z v_1(E, 0, 0, \pm p) = -\hat{S}_z t_1(E, 0, 0, \pm p) = +\frac{1}{2} t_1(E, 0, 0, \pm p)$$

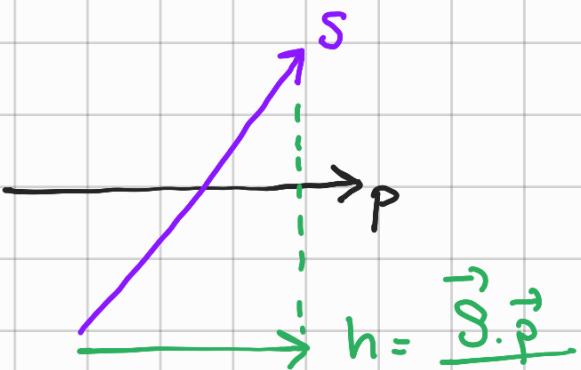
$$\hat{S}_z v_2(E, 0, 0, \pm p) = -\hat{S}_z t_2(E, 0, 0, \pm p) = -\frac{1}{2} t_2(E, 0, 0, \pm p)$$

$\rightarrow$  SPIN DOWN



## Helicity

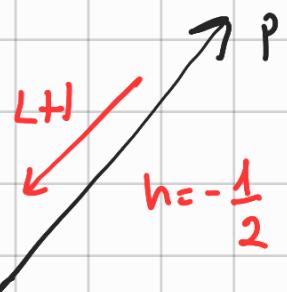
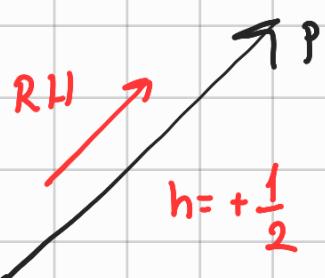
$[\hat{H}_D, \hat{S}_z] \neq 0 \rightsquigarrow$  It is NOT possible to define a basis of simultaneous eigenstates of  $\hat{S}_z$  and  $\hat{H}_D$ .



$$[\hat{H}_D, \sum \hat{\vec{p}}] = 0$$

commutes  $\vec{p}$  with  $\hat{H}_D$

$$\hat{h} = \frac{\sum \hat{\vec{p}}}{2p} = \frac{1}{2p} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{1} \cdot \vec{p} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vec{1} \cdot \vec{p} \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\hat{h} v = \lambda v$$

$$\frac{1}{2\rho} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p} & 0 \\ 0 & \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_A \\ v_B \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} v_A \\ v_B \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}) \times [(\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}) v_A] = 2\rho \lambda v_A$$

$$(\vec{\sigma} \times \vec{p}) \times (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}) v_B = 2\rho \lambda v_B$$

$$(\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p})^2 = p^2$$

$$(\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p})^2 = \begin{pmatrix} p_z & p_x - i p_y \\ p_x + i p_y & -p_z \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} p_z & p_x - i p_y \\ p_x + i p_y & -p_z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} p_z^2 + p_x^2 + p_y^2 & 0 \\ 0 & p_z^2 + p_x^2 + p_y^2 \end{pmatrix} = p^2 \cdot I = p^2$$

$$p^2 v_A = 2\rho \lambda (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}) v_A = 4\rho^2 \lambda^2 v_A$$

$2\rho \lambda v_A$

$$4\lambda^2 = 1 \rightarrow \lambda = \pm \frac{1}{2}$$

$\hat{h} v = \pm \frac{1}{2} v \quad h = \pm \frac{1}{2}$

\* Since the spinors corresponding to the two helicity states are also eigenstates of the Dirac Eqn.

$$\underbrace{(\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p})}_{2p\lambda} u_A = (E + m) u_B$$

$$u_B = 2\lambda \left( \frac{\vec{p}}{E+m} \right) u_A$$

$$\vec{p} = (p \sin \theta \cos \phi, p \sin \theta \sin \phi, p \cos \theta)$$

$$\frac{1}{2p} (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}) = \frac{1}{2p} \begin{pmatrix} p_z & p_x - i p_y \\ p_x + i p_y & -p_z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta e^{-i\phi} \\ \sin \theta e^{i\phi} & -\cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Let } u_A = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \implies u_B = 2\lambda \left( \frac{\vec{p}}{E+m} \right) u_A$$

$$\frac{1}{2p} (\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{p}) u_A = \lambda u_A$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta e^{-i\phi} \\ \sin \theta e^{i\phi} & -\cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$a \cos\theta + b \sin\theta e^{-i\phi} = 2\lambda a$$

$$a(2\lambda - \cos\theta) = b \sin\theta e^{-i\phi}$$

$$\frac{b}{a} = \frac{(2\lambda - \cos\theta)}{\sin\theta} e^{i\phi}$$

For RH  $\rightarrow h = \frac{+1}{2} \rightarrow \lambda = +\frac{1}{2}$

$$\frac{b}{a} = \frac{1 - \cos\theta}{\sin\theta} e^{i\phi} = \frac{2 \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)}{2 \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)} e^{i\phi} = e^{i\phi} \frac{\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)}{\cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)}$$

$$|\psi\rangle = \sqrt{E_m} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \\ e^{i\phi} \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \\ \frac{P}{E_m} \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \\ \frac{P}{E_m} e^{i\phi} \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$a \sin\theta e^{i\phi} - b \cos\theta = 2\lambda b$$

$$b(2\lambda + \cos\theta) = a \sin\theta e^{i\phi}$$

$$\frac{b}{a} = \frac{\sin\theta e^{i\phi}}{(2\lambda + \cos\theta)} \quad \text{for } \lambda = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{b}{a} = \frac{\sin\theta e^{i\phi}}{-1 + \cos\theta}$$

$$h = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{b}{a} = \frac{2 \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)}{-2 \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)} e^{i\phi} = -\frac{\cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)} e^{i\phi}$$

$$v_B = 2\lambda \left( \frac{p}{E+m} \right) v_A = - \left( \frac{p}{E+m} \right) v_A$$

$$v_\downarrow = \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} -\sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) \\ \cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) e^{i\phi} \\ \left( \frac{p}{E+m} \right) \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) \\ -\frac{p}{E+m} \cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) e^{i\phi} \end{pmatrix}$$

For antiparticle  $\hat{S}^{(\psi)} = -\hat{S}$ , hence for the  $h = +1/2$  antiparticle state

$$\left( \frac{\Sigma \cdot p}{2p} \right) v_\uparrow = -\frac{1}{2} v_\uparrow$$

$$v_\uparrow = \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{p}{E+m} \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) \\ -\frac{p}{E+m} \cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) e^{i\phi} \\ -\sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) \\ \cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) e^{i\phi} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v_\downarrow = \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{p}{E+m} \cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) \\ \frac{p}{E+m} \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) e^{i\phi} \\ \cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) \\ \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) e^{i\phi} \end{pmatrix}$$

For the ultra-relativistic limit ( $E \gg m$ )

helicity eigenstates become:

$$\frac{p}{E+px} = \frac{\sqrt{E^2 - p^2}}{E} = \frac{E}{E} = 1$$

$$v_{\uparrow} \approx \sqrt{E} \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) \\ \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) e^{i\phi} \\ \cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) \\ \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) e^{i\phi} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v_{\downarrow} \approx \sqrt{E} \begin{pmatrix} -\sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) \\ \cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) e^{i\phi} \\ \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) \\ -\cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) e^{i\phi} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\psi_{\uparrow} \approx \sqrt{E} \begin{pmatrix} \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) \\ -\cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) e^{i\phi} \\ -\sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) \\ \cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) e^{i\phi} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\psi_{\downarrow} \approx \sqrt{E} \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) \\ \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) e^{i\phi} \\ \cos(\frac{\theta}{2}) \\ \sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) e^{i\phi} \end{pmatrix}$$

## Intrinsic Parity of Dirac fermions

$$x' = -x, \quad y' = -y, \quad z' = -z, \quad t' = t$$

$$\Psi \rightarrow \Psi' = \hat{P} \Psi$$

From the definition  $\hat{P}^2 = I$

$$\Psi' = \hat{P} \Psi \Rightarrow \hat{P} \Psi' = \Psi$$

Consider a wavefunction  $\Psi'(x', y', z', t') = \hat{P} \Psi(x, y, z, t)$

$$i\gamma^1 \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial x} + i\gamma^2 \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial y} + i\gamma^3 \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z} - m\Psi = -i\gamma^0 \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t}$$



$$i\gamma^1 \frac{\partial \Psi'}{\partial x'} + i\gamma^2 \frac{\partial \Psi'}{\partial y'} + i\gamma^3 \frac{\partial \Psi'}{\partial z'} - m\Psi' = -i\gamma^0 \frac{\partial \Psi'}{\partial t'}$$

$$\Psi = \hat{P} \Psi'$$

$$x' = -x \quad y' = -y \quad z' = -z \quad t' = t$$

$$\gamma^0 \times \left( -i\gamma^1 \hat{P} \frac{\partial \Psi'}{\partial x'} - i\gamma^2 \hat{P} \frac{\partial \Psi'}{\partial y'} - i\gamma^3 \hat{P} \frac{\partial \Psi'}{\partial z'} - m \hat{P} \Psi' \right) = \left( -i\gamma^0 \hat{P} \frac{\partial \Psi'}{\partial t'} \right)$$

$$(\gamma^0 \gamma^k = -\gamma^k \gamma^0)$$

$$-i\gamma^0 \gamma^1 \hat{P} \frac{\partial \Psi'}{\partial x'} - i\gamma^0 \gamma^2 \hat{P} \frac{\partial \Psi'}{\partial y'} - i\gamma^0 \gamma^3 \hat{P} \frac{\partial \Psi'}{\partial z'} - m \gamma^0 \hat{P} \Psi' = -i\gamma^0 \gamma^0 \hat{P} \frac{\partial \Psi'}{\partial t'} \quad \text{I}$$

$$\text{Thus } \gamma^0 \hat{P} \propto \text{I}$$

↓  
proportional

$$\text{Also by definition } \hat{P}^2 = \text{I}$$

$$\hat{P} = +\gamma^0 \quad \text{or} \quad \hat{P} = -\gamma^0$$

↓  
by convention

$$\Psi \rightarrow \hat{P} \Psi = \gamma^0 \Psi$$

for example  $v_1$  spinor for a particle at rest

$$v_1 = \sqrt{E+m} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \sqrt{2m} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\gamma^0 \rightarrow E=m \quad \sqrt{E+m} = \sqrt{2m}$$

$$\hat{P} v_1 = \gamma^0 v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & -1 & \\ & & & -1 \end{pmatrix} \underbrace{\sqrt{2m} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{v_2} = + v_1$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \hat{P} v_2 &= +v_2 \\ \hat{P} v_1 &= -v_1 \\ \hat{P} v_2 &= -v_2 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$\hat{P} v(m,0) = +v(m,0)$  } Intrinsic parity  
 $\hat{P} \bar{v}(m,0) = -\bar{v}(m,0)$  } of a fundamental  
 spin-half particle  
 is opposite of  
 anti-particles

$$\hat{P} v_1 (E, \vec{p}) = +v_1 (E, -\vec{p})$$

↓  
 $\hat{P}$  operator reverses the  $\vec{p}$  but does not  
 revert the spin state