
Pairwise States = Dressed States

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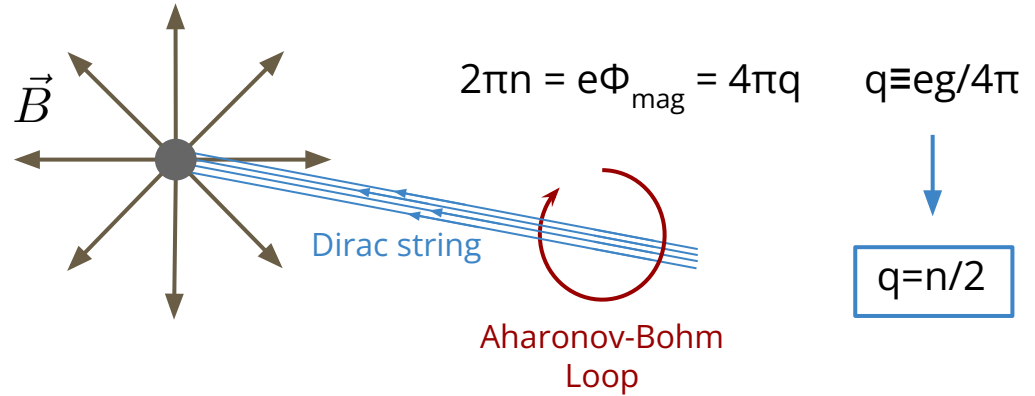
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Magnetic Monopoles

Sources of U(1) field with non-trivial winding number $\pi_1[\text{U}(1)] = \mathbb{Z}$

$$\vec{B} = \frac{g}{4\pi r^2} \hat{r}$$



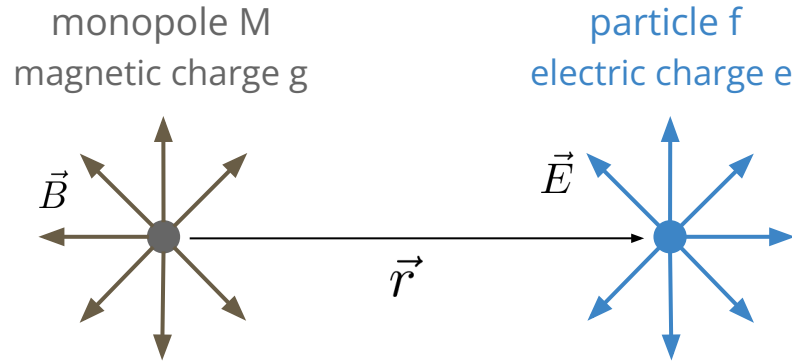
At $r \gg m^{-1}$ effectively abelian

Maxwell's eqs \rightarrow Need Dirac string* Dirac '31

String unobservable \rightarrow Dirac quantization Dirac '31, Wu & Yang '76

Monopoles and Charges: Angular Momentum in EM Field

Thomson 1904



$$\vec{J}_{\text{field}} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int \vec{r}' \times (\vec{E} \times \vec{B}) d^3r' = -\frac{g}{4\pi} \int (\vec{\nabla}' \cdot \vec{E}) \hat{r}' d^3r' = -eg\hat{r}$$

Distance independent!

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What Are the Quantum Multiparticle States for Charges and Monopoles?

Extra angular momentum in EM field, sourced by all *pairs* of charges and monopoles

$$\longrightarrow |\text{charge, monopole}\rangle \neq |\text{charge}\rangle \otimes |\text{monopole}\rangle$$

Charges-monopole multiparticle states don't live in a *Fock Space*

How do we define charge-monopole multiparticle states?

The definition should reflect extra EM angular momentum in the EM field

Electric-Magnetic “Pairwise” States

Electric-magnetic multiparticle states $|p_1, \dots, p_n; \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n; q_{12}, q_{13}, \dots, q_{n-1,n}\rangle$

momenta
spins / helicities
pairwise helicities

The **pairwise helicities** are the Dirac-quantized $q_{ij} = \frac{e_i g_j - e_j g_i}{4\pi}$

They are the S-matrix manifestation of the extra angular momentum

$$\Delta \vec{J}_{ij} = -q_{ij} \hat{r}_{ij}$$


carried by the electromagnetic field that's sourced by the dyon (or charge-monopole) pair (i,j)

Electric-Magnetic “Pairwise” States

Under a Lorentz transformation, transform with an extra pairwise Little Group phase:

$$U(\Lambda) |p_1, \dots, p_n; \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n; q_{12}, q_{13}, \dots, q_{n-1,n}\rangle =$$

$$e^{i \sum_{i < j} q_{ij} \varphi(p_i, p_j, \Lambda)} \prod_{i=1}^n \mathcal{D}_{\sigma'_i \sigma_i}^i |\Lambda p_1, \dots, \Lambda p_n; \sigma'_1, \dots, \sigma'_n; q_{12}, q_{13}, \dots, q_{n-1,n}\rangle$$



pairwise phase

The pairwise phase φ leads to modified angular momentum selection rules

in the scattering of charges, monopoles and dyons

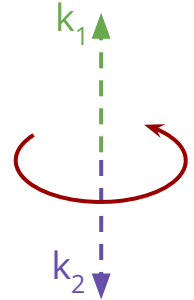
The Pairwise Little Group; A Short Dive-In

Consider the charge monopole state $|p_1, p_2; q_{12}\rangle$

How does it transform under Lorentz?

1. Define the **COM momenta** $k_{1,2}^\mu = (E_{1,2}^c, 0, 0, \pm p_c)$
2. The pairwise Little Group (LG) is the subgroup of Lorentz which keeps k_1, k_2 invariant, i.e. **U(1) rotations** around the z-axis
3. The **pairwise helicities** q_{ij} label representations of each $U(1)_{ij}$

$$U [R_z(\varphi)] |k_1, k_2; q_{12}\rangle = e^{iq_{12}\varphi} |k_1, k_2; q_{12}\rangle$$



Pairwise Little Group =
z-rotations

$$p_c = \sqrt{\frac{(p_1 \cdot p_2)^2 - m_1^2 m_2^2}{s}}$$
$$E_i^c = \sqrt{m_i^2 + p_c^2}$$

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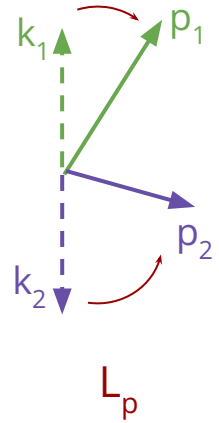
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4. Define L_p so that $p_{1,2}^\mu = [L_p]^\mu{}_\nu k_{1,2}^\nu$

5. Under any Lorentz transformation Λ

$$U[\Lambda] |p_1, p_2; q_{12}\rangle = e^{iq_{12}\varphi(p_1, p_2, \Lambda)} |\Lambda p_1, \Lambda p_2; q_{12}\rangle$$

where $R_z[\phi(p_i, p_j, \Lambda)] = L_{\Lambda p}^{-1} \Lambda L_p$



The Phase $\varphi(p_1, p_2, \Lambda)$, Explicitly

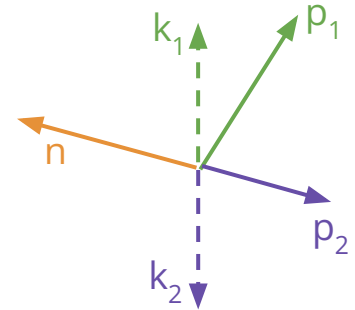
We fix the freedom in L_p by choosing arbitrary vector n^μ and let

$$[L_p]^\mu{}_2 = \hat{e}^\mu(p_1, p_2, n)$$

The pairwise phase is then

$$\cos [\varphi(p_1, p_2, \Lambda)] = \hat{e}(p_1, p_2, \Lambda^{-1}n) \cdot \hat{e}(p_1, p_2, n)$$

n^μ is the pairwise LG analog of the **Dirac string** for the monopole



$$\hat{e}^\mu(abc) \equiv \frac{\epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} a_\nu b_\rho c_\sigma}{|\epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} a_\nu b_\rho c_\sigma|}$$

Pairwise States: Results

- Derived all **3pt amplitudes** involving charges, monopoles, and dyons
- Reproduced the forced **chirality flip** in the lowest PW for fermion-monopole scattering
- Reconstructed **monopole spherical harmonics** from pairwise spinor-helicity variables
Csaki, Hong, Shirman, Terning, OT, Waterbury '20
- Derived geodesics in Taub-NUT background as the classical limit of “pairwise” amplitudes
Kol, O’Connell, OT, '21
- Defined pairwise states for mutually-non-local branes
Csaki, Fan, Terning, OT, upcoming
- Proposed an on-shell derivation for monopole catalysis of nucleon decay (the **Rubakov-Callan effect**)
Csaki, Shirman, Terning, OT, '21

A Lingering Question and Its Straightforward Answer

What is the actual origin of the “pairwise” charge-monopole states?

How does QED+monopoles “know” to create such complicated multiparticle states?

Today - a straightforward answer

$$|p_1, p_2; q_{12}\rangle = |p_1, p_2\rangle\rangle$$

pairwise
states

IR-dressed
charge-monopole states
of monopole-QED (QEMD)

Dressed States in QED

The QED S-matrix is IR-finite when taken between asymptotic states “dressed” by soft photons

$$S_{\text{QED,finite}} = \langle\langle p_1^{\text{out}}, \dots, p_m^{\text{in}} | p_1^{\text{in}}, \dots, p_n^{\text{in}} \rangle\rangle$$

Faddeev-Kulish: $|p_1, \dots, p_n\rangle\rangle = \exp \left[\mathcal{T} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt V_I^{\text{as}}(t) \right] |p_1, \dots, p_n\rangle$

IR-dressed state “bare” state

$$V_I^{\text{as}}(t) = - \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} \int d^3x [j^\mu A_\mu]$$

asymptotic potential:

generates retarded/advanced EM field associated with the charges moving with momenta p_1, \dots, p_n

Dressed States in QED

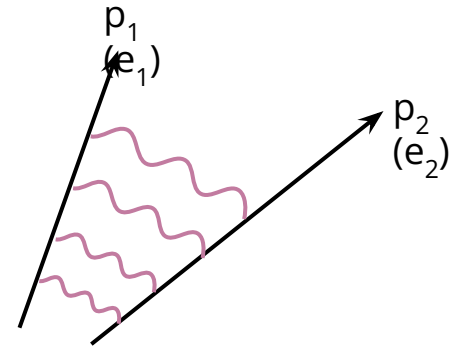
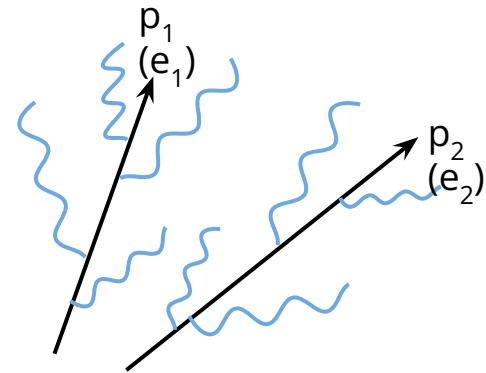
$$\exp \left[\mathcal{T} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt V_I^{as}(t) \right] = e^{R_{FK}} e^{i\Phi_{FK}}$$

$$R_{FK} = -i \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt V_I^{as}(t)$$

Real part of dressing (~soft photon creation operators)

$$\Phi_{FK} = \frac{i}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt_1 \int_{-\infty}^{t_1} dt_2 [V_I^{as}(t_1), V_I^{as}(t_2)]$$

Imaginary part of dressing (virtual photon exchange)



Dressed States in Monopole-QED (QEMD)

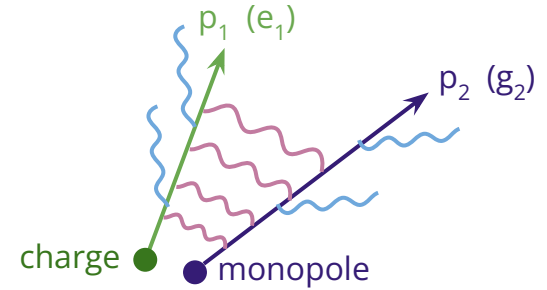
Add dual interaction: $V_I^{as}(t) = - \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int d^3x \left[j^\mu A_\mu + \tilde{j}^\mu \tilde{A}_\mu \right]$

$$j^\mu$$

electric current density

$$\tilde{j}^\mu$$

magnetic current density



Gauge field

$$A_\mu(x) = \sum_{a=\pm} \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2\omega_k} \left[\varepsilon_\mu^{*a}(\vec{k}) a_a(\vec{k}) e^{ik \cdot x} + \varepsilon_\mu^a(\vec{k}) a_a^\dagger(\vec{k}) e^{-ik \cdot x} \right]$$

Dual gauge field

$$\tilde{A}_\mu(x) = \sum_{a=\pm} \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2\omega_k} \left[\tilde{\varepsilon}_\mu^{*a}(\vec{k}) a_a(\vec{k}) e^{ik \cdot x} + \tilde{\varepsilon}_\mu^a(\vec{k}) a_a^\dagger(\vec{k}) e^{-ik \cdot x} \right]$$

same creation/annihilation ops.

“One photon, two descriptions”

QEMD Dressed States = Pairwise States?

To O(eg) $\Phi_{FK} |p_1, p_2\rangle = q_{12} \varphi_{FK}(p_1, p_2) |p_1, p_2\rangle$

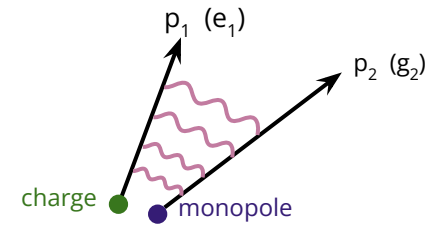
We want to show that the dressed state $e^{R_{FK}} e^{iq_{12}\varphi_{FK}} |p_1, p_2\rangle$

Transforms the same as the pairwise state $|p_1, p_2; q_{12}\rangle$

In other words, we want to show that

$$\Delta\varphi_{FK} \equiv \underbrace{\varphi_{FK}(\Lambda p_1, \Lambda p_2) - \varphi_{FK}(p_1, p_2)}_{\text{The shift in the soft photon phase}} = \underbrace{\varphi(p_1, p_2, \Lambda)}_{\text{The pairwise phase}}$$

Calculating φ_{FK} in QEMD



$$\Phi_{FK} = \frac{i}{2} \int_0^\infty dt_1 \int_0^{t_1} dt_2 [V_I^{as}(t_1), V_I^{as}(t_2)] - (t_1, t_2 \leftrightarrow -t_1, -t_2)$$

this has

$$e [p_1 \cdot \varepsilon^{*a}(\vec{k})] a_a(\vec{k}) + \dots$$

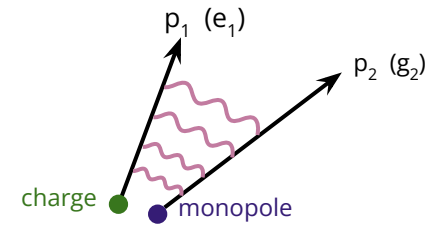
this has

$$g [p_2 \cdot \tilde{\varepsilon}^a(\vec{k})] a_a^\dagger(\vec{k}) + \dots$$

$$\varphi_{FK} \sim \int d^3k [p_1 \varepsilon^a(\vec{k})] [p_2 \cdot \tilde{\varepsilon}^a(\vec{k})] \sim \int d^3k \underbrace{\frac{\epsilon(p_1, p_2, n, k)}{n \cdot k + i\epsilon}}_{\text{Integral over all soft photon exchanges between charge \& monopole}} + cc.$$

Integral over all soft photon exchanges
between charge & monopole

Calculating φ_{FK} in QEMD



$$\varphi_{FK}(p_1, p_2, n) = \text{Im} [\mathcal{I} + (n \leftrightarrow -n)] - (p_1 \leftrightarrow -p_1) - (p_2 \leftrightarrow -p_2)$$

$$\mathcal{I} = 2\pi i \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{\epsilon(p_1, p_2, n, k)}{(k^2 + i\epsilon)(p_1 \cdot k - i\epsilon)(p_2 \cdot k + i\epsilon)(n \cdot k + i\epsilon)}$$

All that remains is to calculate this Feynman integral

Alas! This integral is 0/0 and needs regularization...

A Slick Trick

While \mathcal{I} is ill-defined, what we need is actually $\Delta\varphi_{FK} \sim \Delta\mathcal{I}$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\mathcal{I} &= \mathcal{I}(\Lambda p_1, \Lambda p_2, n) - \mathcal{I}(p_1, p_2, n) \\ &= \mathcal{I}(p_1, p_2, \Lambda^{-1}n) - \mathcal{I}(p_1, p_2, n)\end{aligned}$$

which *is* well defined as can be shown in position space via Stokes' theorem

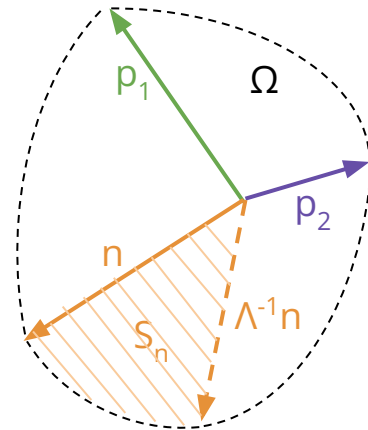
In momentum space, we showed using Schwinger parameters that

$$\Delta\mathcal{I} = -\frac{i}{2\pi}\Omega(-p_1, p_2, n, \Lambda^{-1}n)$$

So the integral really computes the **4D solid angle** between $-p_1, p_2, n,$ and $\Lambda^{-1}n$



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Dressed = Pairwise!

Substituting in $\Delta\varphi_{FK} = \text{Im } \Delta\mathcal{I} + (p_3 \leftrightarrow -p_3) - (p_1 \leftrightarrow -p_1) - (p_2 \leftrightarrow -p_2)$

The 4D solid angle degenerates to a dihedral angle

$$\begin{aligned}\cos[\Delta\varphi_{FK}] &= \cos[\phi_{dih}(V_{123}, V_{124})] \\ &= \hat{\epsilon}(p_1, p_2, \Lambda^{-1}n) \cdot \hat{\epsilon}(p_1, p_2, n) = \cos[\varphi_{\text{pairwise}}(p_1, p_2, \Lambda)]\end{aligned}$$

Shift in soft photon phase = pairwise Little Group phase

Dressed states of QEMD = pairwise multiparticle states



Bonus: Topology!

The soft photon phase φ_{FK} depends on the unphysical Dirac string

Can we measure it in an interference experiment?

For a closed path, we can apply Stokes' theorem

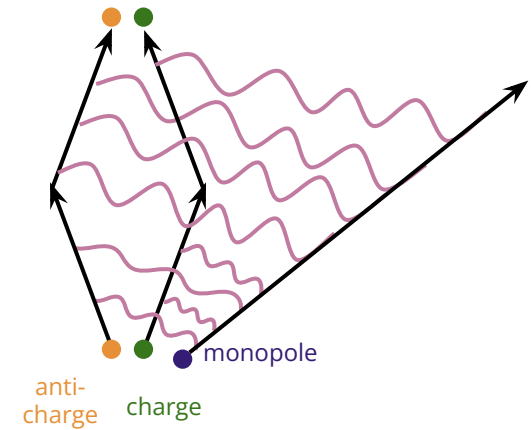
directly for φ_{FK} and not just $\Delta\varphi_{FK}$

However, the result is an unobservable $2\pi q_{12} \times \text{integer}$!

In fact, the φ_{FK} integral computes the **topological linking number**

between the **charge worldline** and the **Dirac string worldsheet** in 4D

This is the QFT generalization of the original Dirac quantization argument



Conclusions

The multiparticle quantum states for charges and monopoles are not a Fock space;

They have **pairwise helicities** q_{ij} and transform with pairwise LG phases $\varphi(p_i, p_j, \Lambda)$

The pairwise LG provides modified angular momentum **selection rules** constraining the scattering amplitudes of monopoles and charges

The **pairwise states** are equivalent to the soft-photon **dressed states** of monopole-QED

The pairwise LG phase φ_{LG} is the shift of the soft photon phase φ_{FK} under a Lorentz transformation

The soft photon phase φ_{FK} is Dirac-string dependent but is **unobservable due to topology**