

Neutrinos and electrons in dense matter: a new approach

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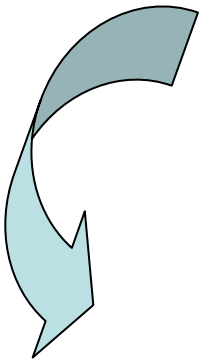
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... in a series of our papers ...

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● We develop quite **powerful method** for
description of **neutrinos** (and **electrons**) motion in
background matter which implies use of
modified Dirac equations exact solutions for
 ν (and e) wave functions

...method of exact solutions...

Interaction of particles in external electromagnetic fields

(**Furry representation** in quantum electrodynamics)

Potential of electromagnetic field

$$A_\mu(x) = A_\mu^q(x) + A_\mu^{ext}(x),$$

evolution **operator**

$$U_F(t_1, t_2) = T \exp \left[-i \int_{t_1}^{t_2} j^\mu(x) A_\mu^q(x) dx \right],$$

quantized part
of potential

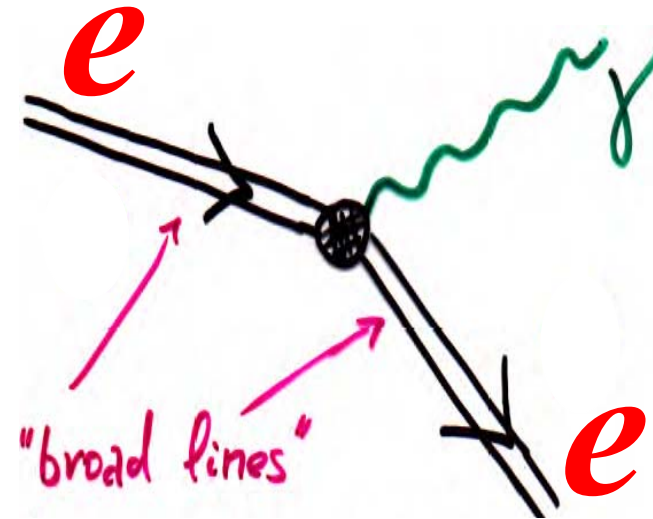
charged particles **current**

$$j_\mu(x) = \frac{e}{2} [\bar{\Psi}_F \gamma_\mu, \Psi_F],$$

Dirac equation in external classical (non-quantized) field $A_\mu^{ext}(x)$

$$\left\{ \gamma^\mu \left(i \partial_\mu - e A_\mu^{ext}(x) \right) - m_e \right\} \Psi_F(x) = 0$$

$\mathbf{B}_\perp$
 $e \rightarrow e + \gamma$
synchrotron radiation



Neutrino decay in matter



Z.Berezhiani, M.Vysotsky,
Neutrino **decay** in matter, Phys.Lett.B 199 (1987) 281;



Z.Berezhiani, A.Smirnov,
Matter-induced neutrino **decay** and supernova 1987A,
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C.Giunti, C.W.Kim, U.W.Lee, W.P.Lam,
Majoron **decay** of neutrinos in matter,
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Matter can induce the neutrino **decay** into antineutrino and a light scalar particle (**majoron**):

$$\boxed{\nu \rightarrow \tilde{\nu} + \chi}, \quad \text{or vice versa} \quad \boxed{\tilde{\nu} \rightarrow \nu + \chi}.$$



Z.Berezhiani, A.Rossi,
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$$\boxed{\chi \rightarrow \nu + \nu, \quad \chi \rightarrow \tilde{\nu} + \tilde{\nu}.$$

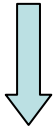
● ... beyond the Standard Model ...



and

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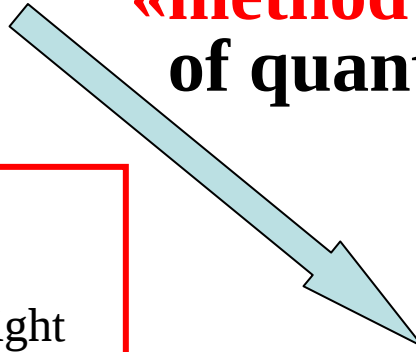
in matter are treated within the
«**method of exact solutions**»
of quantum wave equations



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Standard model electroweak interaction of a flavour neutrino in matter ($f = e$)

Interaction Lagrangian (it is supposed that **matter contains only electrons**)

$$L_{int} = -\frac{g}{4 \cos \theta_W} [\bar{\nu}_e \gamma^\mu (1 + \gamma_5) \nu_e - \bar{e} \gamma^\mu (1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W + \gamma_5) e] Z_\mu \\ - \frac{g}{2\sqrt{2}} \bar{\nu}_e \gamma^\mu (1 + \gamma_5) e W_\mu^+ - \frac{g}{2\sqrt{2}} \bar{e} \gamma^\mu (1 + \gamma_5) \nu_e W_\mu^-$$

→ **Charged current** interactions contribution to neutrino potential in matter

$$\star \Delta L_{eff}^{CC} = \sqrt{2} G_F \left\langle \bar{e} \gamma^\mu (1 + \gamma_5) e \right\rangle \left(\bar{\nu}_e \gamma^\mu \frac{1 + \gamma_5}{2} \nu_e \right)$$

→ **Neutral current** interactions contribution to neutrino potential in matter

$$\star \Delta L_{eff}^{NC} = -\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \left\langle \bar{e} \gamma^\mu [(1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W) + \gamma_5] e \right\rangle \left(\bar{\nu}_e \gamma^\mu \frac{1 + \gamma_5}{2} \nu_e \right)$$

Matter current and polarization

When the electron field bilinear

$$\langle \bar{e} \gamma^\mu (1 + \gamma_5) e \rangle$$

is **averaged** over the background

$$\langle \bar{e} \gamma_0 e \rangle \sim \text{density},$$

$$\langle \bar{e} \gamma_i e \rangle \sim \text{velocity}, \quad i = 1, 2, 3$$

$$\langle \bar{e} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 e \rangle \sim \text{spin},$$

it can be replaced by the **matter** (electrons) **current**



$$j^\mu = (\underline{n}, n\mathbf{v}),$$

and **polarization**

invariant
number
density

speed
of matter



$$\underline{\lambda}^\mu = \left(n(\zeta \mathbf{v}), n\zeta \sqrt{1 - v^2} + \frac{n\mathbf{v}(\zeta \mathbf{v})}{1 + \sqrt{1 - v^2}} \right)$$

Modified Dirac equation for neutrino in matter

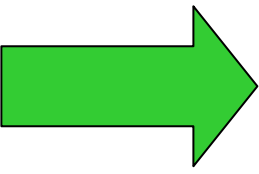
Addition to the vacuum neutrino Lagrangian

$$\Delta L_{eff} = \Delta L_{eff}^{CC} + \Delta L_{eff}^{NC} = -f^\mu \left(\bar{\nu} \gamma_\mu \frac{1 + \gamma_5}{2} \nu \right)$$

matter
current

where $f^\mu = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \left((1 + 4 \sin^2 \theta_W) j^\mu - \lambda^\mu \right)$

matter
polarization



$$\left\{ i\gamma_\mu \partial^\mu - \frac{1}{2} \gamma_\mu (1 + \gamma_5) f^\mu - m \right\} \Psi(x) = 0$$

It is supposed that there is a macroscopic amount of electrons in the scale of a neutrino de Broglie wave length. Therefore, **the interaction of a neutrino with the matter (electrons) is coherent.**

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This is the most general equation of motion of a neutrino in which the effective potential accounts for both the **charged** and **neutral-current** interactions with the background matter and also for the possible effects of the matter **motion** and **polarization**.

Neutrino wave function in matter (II)

$$\Psi_{\varepsilon, \mathbf{p}, s}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{e^{-i(E_{\varepsilon}t - \mathbf{p}\mathbf{r})}}{2L^{\frac{3}{2}}} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1 + \frac{m}{E_{\varepsilon} - \alpha m}} \sqrt{1 + s \frac{p_3}{p}} \\ s \sqrt{1 + \frac{m}{E_{\varepsilon} - \alpha m}} \sqrt{1 - s \frac{p_3}{p}} e^{i\delta} \\ s\varepsilon\eta \sqrt{1 - \frac{m}{E_{\varepsilon} - \alpha m}} \sqrt{1 + s \frac{p_3}{p}} \\ \varepsilon\eta \sqrt{1 - \frac{m}{E_{\varepsilon} - \alpha m}} \sqrt{1 - s \frac{p_3}{p}} e^{i\delta} \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\eta = \text{sign}\left(1 - s\alpha \frac{m}{p}\right), \delta = \arctan(p_2/p_1)$$

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$$E_{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon\eta \sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 \left(1 - s\alpha \frac{m}{p}\right)^2 + m^2 + \alpha m}$$

The quantity $\varepsilon = \pm 1$ splits the solutions into the two branches that in the limit of **vanishing matter density**, $\alpha \rightarrow 0$, reproduce the **positive** and **negative-frequency** solutions, respectively.

Neutrino flavour oscillations in matter

Consider the two flavour neutrinos, ν_e and ν_μ , propagating in electrically neutral matter of **electrons**, **protons** and **neutrons**: $n_e = n_p = n_n$.

The matter density parameters are

$$\alpha_{\nu_e} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \frac{G_F}{m} \left(n_e(1 + 4\sin^2 \theta_W) + n_p(1 - 4\sin^2 \theta_W) - n_n \right) \quad \text{and}$$

$$\alpha_{\nu_\mu, \nu_\tau} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \frac{G_F}{m} \left(n_e(4\sin^2 \theta_W - 1) + n_p(1 - 4\sin^2 \theta_W) - n_n \right)$$

The energies of the **relativistic active** neutrinos are

$$E_{\nu_e, \nu_\mu}^{s=-1} \approx E_0 + 2\alpha_{\nu_e, \nu_\mu} m_{\nu_e, \nu_\mu},$$

and the energy difference

$$\Delta E \equiv E_{\nu_e}^{s=-1} - E_{\nu_\mu}^{s=-1} = \sqrt{2} G_F n_e$$



MSW effect

Modified Dirac equation for matter composed of electrons, protons and neutrons (I)

The generalizations of the modified Dirac equation for more complicated matter compositions and the other flavour neutrinos are just straightforward.

For matter composed of **electrons** , **protons** and **neutrons** :

$$f^\mu = \sqrt{2}G_F \sum_{f=e,p,n} j_f^\mu q_f^{(1)} + \lambda_f^\mu q_f^{(2)}, \quad \text{where}$$

$$q_f^{(1)} = (I_{3L}^{(f)} - 2Q^{(f)} \sin^2 \theta_W + \delta_{ef}), \quad q_f^{(2)} = -(I_{3L}^{(f)} + \delta_{ef}), \quad \delta_{ef} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } f = e, \\ 0 & \text{for } f = n, p \end{cases}$$

isospin third component

electric charge of a fermion f

current

polarization

$$\left\{ i\gamma_\mu \partial^\mu - \frac{1}{2} \gamma_\mu (1 + \gamma_5) f^\mu - m \right\} \Psi(x) = 0$$

Modified Dirac equation for matter composed of electrons, protons and neutrons (II)

Neutrino **energy spectrum** in matter composed of **electrons** , **protons** and **neutrons** :

$$E_\varepsilon = \varepsilon \sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 \left(1 - s\alpha \frac{m}{p}\right)^2 + m^2} + \alpha m$$

$$\varepsilon = \pm 1$$

$$s = \pm 1 .$$

Density parameter α is determined by particles number densities $n_{e,p,n}$.



For **electron neutrino** ν_e :

$$\alpha_{\nu_e} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \frac{G_F}{m} \left(n_e(1 + 4\sin^2 \theta_W) + n_p(1 - 4\sin^2 \theta_W) - n_n \right) ,$$



in electrically **neutral** and **neutron** rich matter

$$\alpha_{\nu_e} < 0 ,$$



for **electron antineutrino**

$$\alpha_{\tilde{\nu}_e} \rightarrow -\alpha_{\nu_e} .$$



For **muon** and **tau** neutrino

ν_μ , ν_τ :

$$\alpha_{\nu_\mu, \nu_\tau} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \frac{G_F}{m} \left(n_e(4\sin^2 \theta_W - 1) + n_p(1 - 4\sin^2 \theta_W) - n_n \right) .$$

Neutrino processes in matter



Neutrino **reflection** from interface between vacuum and matter



Neutrino **trapping** in matter



Neutrino-antineutrino **pair annihilation** at interface
between vacuum and matter



Spontaneous neutrino-antineutrino **pair creation** in matter

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Neutrino reflection from interface between vacuum and matter

If the neutrino energy in **vacuum** E is less than the neutrino minimal energy in **medium** $\alpha_1 m + m$

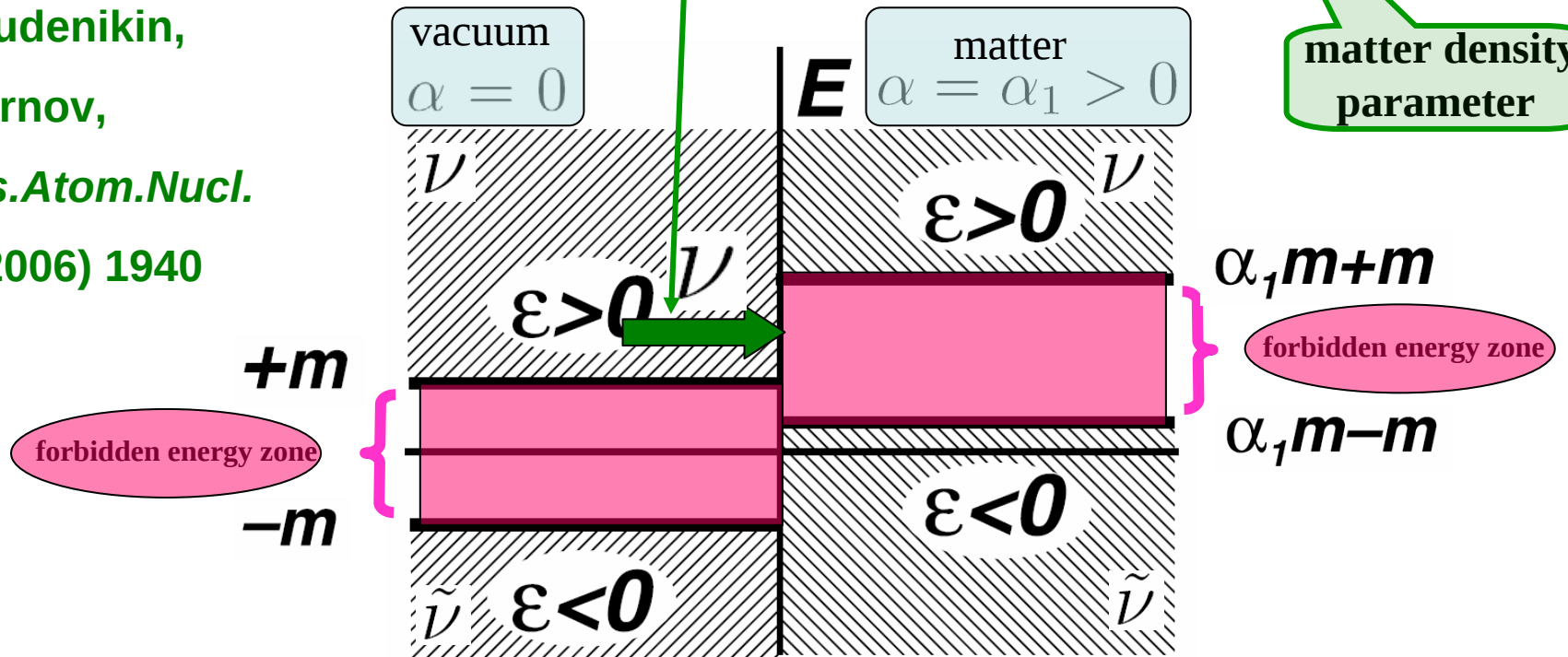
$$m \leq E < \alpha_1 m + m$$

$$1 < \alpha_1 < 2$$

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \tilde{G}_F \frac{n}{m}$$

matter density parameter

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then the appropriate energy level inside the medium is **not accessible** for neutrino

neutrino **is reflected** from the interface.

Other quantum effects



Spin light of ν

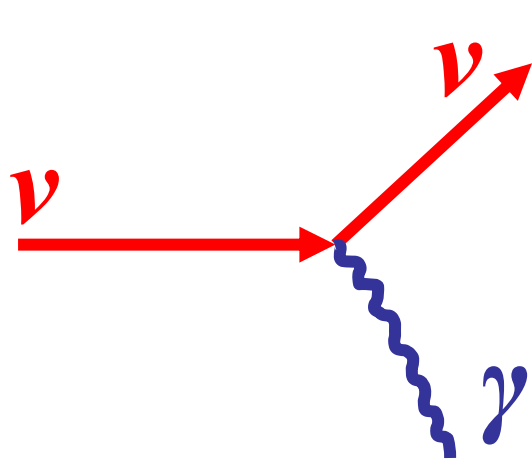


Spin light of e

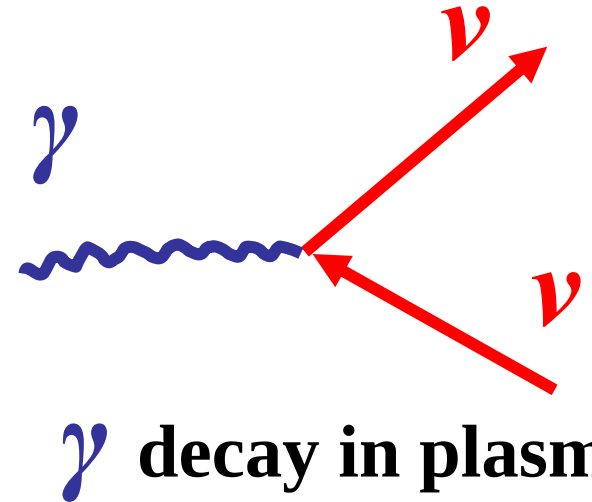


Neutrino bound states in rotating medium

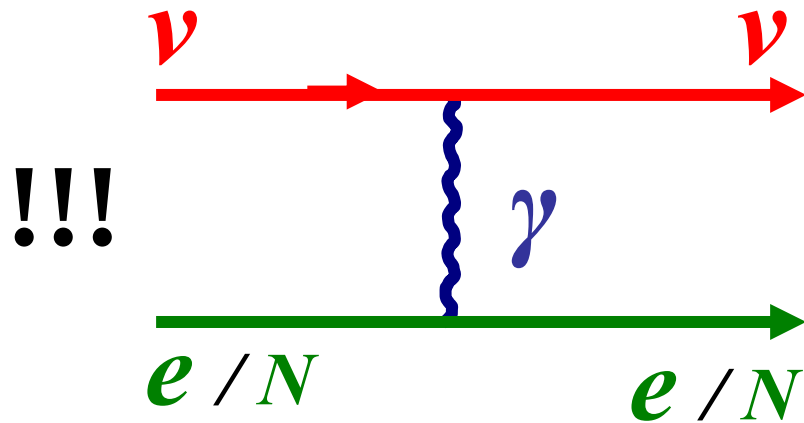
Neutrino – photon couplings (I)



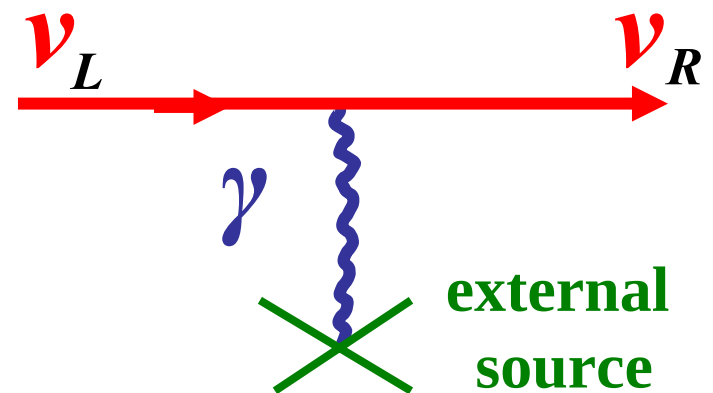
ν decay, Cherenkov radiation



γ decay in plasma

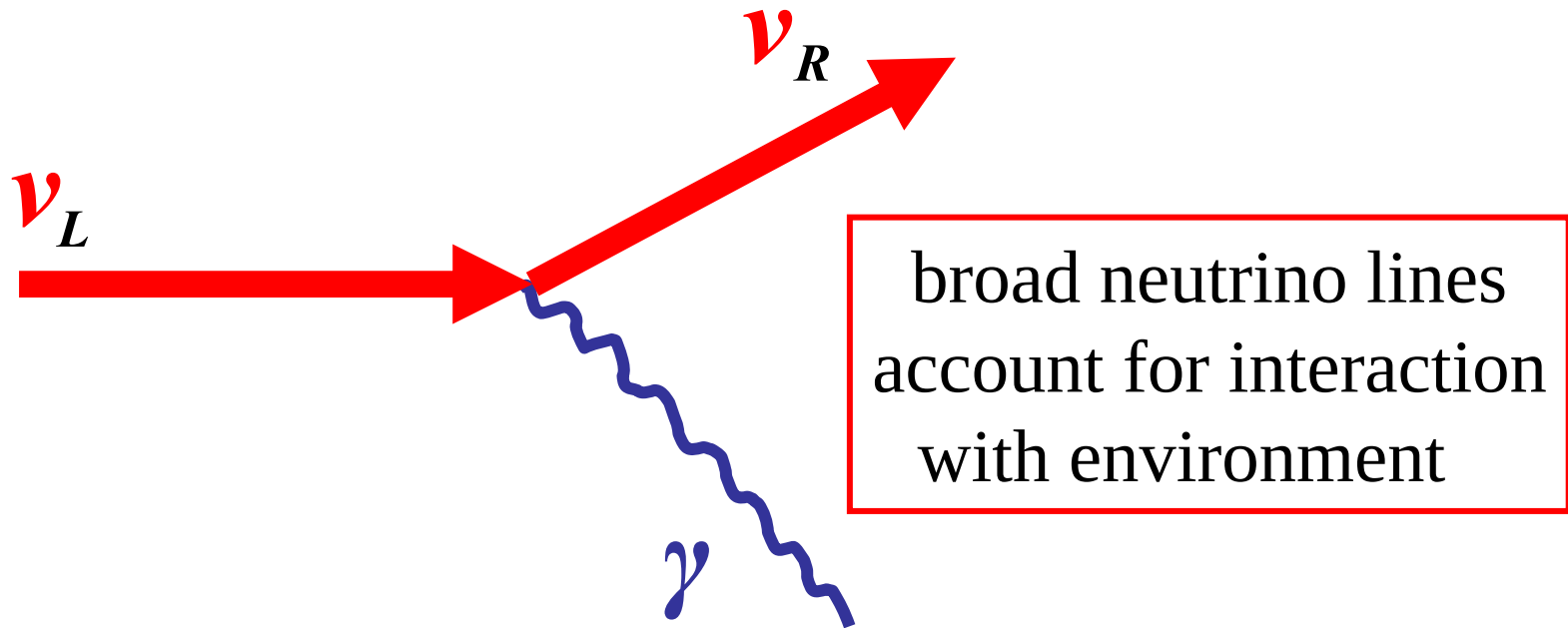


Scattering



Spin precession

Neutrino – photon couplings (II)



“Spin light of neutrino in matter”

...within the quantum treatment...

Quantum theory of spin light of neutrino (I)

Quantum treatment of *spin light of neutrino* in matter shows that this process originates from the **two subdivided phenomena**:

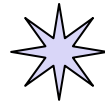


the **shift** of the neutrino **energy levels** in the presence of the background matter, which is different for the two opposite **neutrino helicity states**,

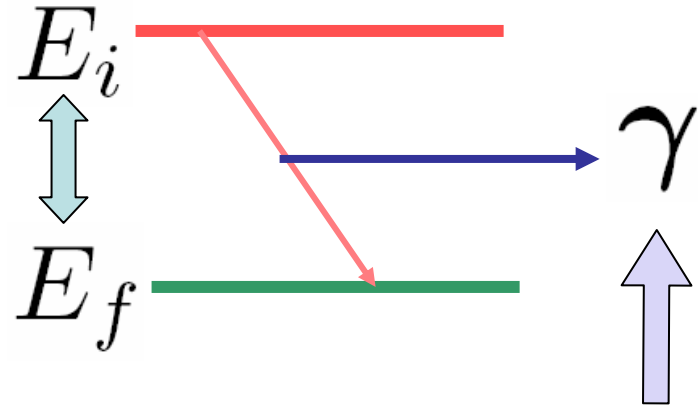
$$E_\epsilon = \epsilon \eta \sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 \left(1 - s \alpha \frac{m}{p}\right)^2 + m^2} + \alpha m$$

$$\eta = \text{sign}\left(1 - s \alpha \frac{m}{p}\right)$$

$$s = \pm 1$$



the radiation of the photon in the process of the neutrino transition from the **“excited” helicity state** to the **low-lying helicity state** in matter



neutrino-spin self-polarization effect in the matter

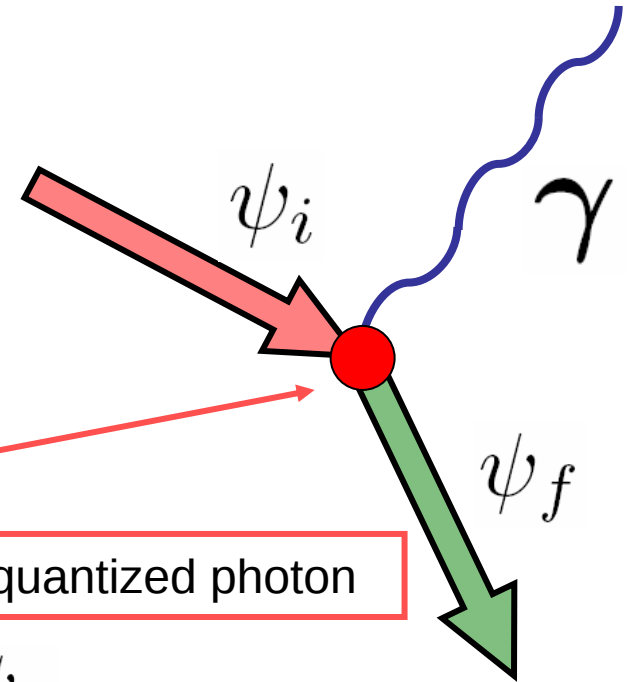
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Quantum theory of **spin light of neutrino** $SL\nu$

Within the **quantum approach**, the corresponding Feynman diagram is the one-photon emission diagram with the **initial** and **final** neutrino states described by the “**broad lines**” that account for the neutrino interaction with matter.



Neutrino magnetic moment interaction with quantized photon

the amplitude of the transition $\psi_i \longrightarrow \psi_f$

$$S_{fi} = -\mu\sqrt{4\pi} \int d^4x \bar{\psi}_f(x) (\hat{\Gamma} \mathbf{e}^*) \frac{e^{ikx}}{\sqrt{2\omega L^3}} \psi_i(x) ,$$

$$\hat{\Gamma} = i\omega \{ [\boldsymbol{\Sigma} \times \boldsymbol{\kappa}] + i\gamma^5 \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \} ,$$

$k^\mu = (\omega, \mathbf{k})$, $\boldsymbol{\kappa} = \mathbf{k}/\omega$ momentum

$\mathbf{e}^*$ polarization
of photon

Spin light of neutrino photon's energy

$SL\nu$

transition amplitude after integration :

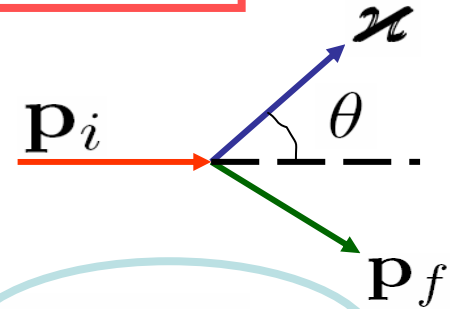
$$S_{fi} = -\mu \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{\omega L^3}} 2\pi \delta(E_f - E_i + \omega) \int d^3x \bar{\psi}_f(\mathbf{r}) (\hat{\Gamma} \mathbf{e}^*) e^{i\mathbf{k}\mathbf{r}} \psi_i(\mathbf{r})$$

Energy-momentum conservation

$$E_i = E_f + \omega, \quad \mathbf{p}_i = \mathbf{p}_f + \boldsymbol{\kappa}$$

For **electron neutrino** moving in matter composed of **electrons**

$$\omega = \frac{2\alpha m p_i [(E_i - \alpha m) - (p_i + \alpha m) \cos \theta]}{(E_i - \alpha m - p_i \cos \theta)^2 - (\alpha m)^2}$$



$$\alpha = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \tilde{G}_F \frac{n}{m} > 0$$

photon energy

★ In the radiation process: $s_i = -1 \longrightarrow s_f = +1$ **neutrino self-polarization**

★ For not very high densities of matter, $\tilde{G}_F n/m \ll 1$, in the linear approximation over α

$$\omega = \frac{\beta}{1 - \beta \cos \theta} \omega_0$$

$$, \quad \omega_0 = \frac{\tilde{G}_F}{\sqrt{2}} n \beta$$

neutrino speed in vacuum

Spin light transition rate (III)



transition rate for different neutrino momentum p and **matter density parameter** $\alpha = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\tilde{G}_F\frac{n}{m} > 0$

★ “relativistic” case

$$p \gg m$$

$$\Gamma = \begin{cases} \frac{64}{3}\mu^2\alpha^3p^2m, & \text{for } \alpha \ll \frac{m}{p}, \\ 4\mu^2\alpha^2m^2p, & \text{for } \frac{m}{p} \ll \alpha \ll \frac{p}{m}, \\ 4\mu^2\alpha^3m^3, & \text{for } \alpha \gg \frac{p}{m}. \end{cases}$$

★ “non-relativistic” case

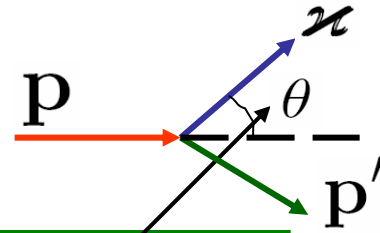
$$p \ll m$$

$$\Gamma = \begin{cases} \frac{64}{3}\mu^2\alpha^3p^3, & \text{for } \alpha \ll 1, \\ \frac{512}{5}\mu^2\alpha^6p^3, & \text{for } 1 \ll \alpha \ll \frac{m}{p}, \\ 4\mu^2\alpha^3m^3, & \text{for } \alpha \gg \frac{m}{p}. \end{cases}$$

Spin light radiation power



radiation power angular distribution :



$$I = \mu^2 \int_0^\pi \omega^4 [(\tilde{\beta}\tilde{\beta}' + 1)(1 - y \cos \theta) - (\tilde{\beta} + \tilde{\beta}')(\cos \theta - y)] \frac{\sin \theta}{1 + \tilde{\beta}'y} d\theta$$

$$\tilde{\beta} = \frac{p + \alpha m}{E - \alpha m}, \quad \tilde{\beta}' = \frac{p' - \alpha m}{E' - \alpha m}, \quad y = \frac{\omega - p \cos \theta}{p'}, \quad K = \frac{E - \alpha m - p \cos \theta}{\alpha m}, \quad \omega = \frac{2\alpha m p [(E - \alpha m) - (p + \alpha m) \cos \theta]}{(E - \alpha m - p \cos \theta)^2 - (\alpha m)^2}$$

★ “relativistic” case
 $p \gg m$

$$I = \begin{cases} \frac{128}{3} \mu^2 \alpha^4 p^4, & \text{for } \alpha \ll \frac{m}{p}, \\ \frac{4}{3} \mu^2 \alpha^2 m^2 p^2, & \text{for } \frac{m}{p} \ll \alpha \ll \frac{p}{m}, \\ 4 \mu^2 \alpha^4 m^4, & \text{for } \alpha \gg \frac{p}{m}. \end{cases}$$

★ “non-relativistic” case
 $p \ll m$

$$I = \begin{cases} \frac{128}{3} \mu^2 \alpha^4 p^4, & \text{for } \alpha \ll 1, \\ \frac{1024}{3} \mu^2 \alpha^8 p^4, & \text{for } 1 \ll \alpha \ll \frac{m}{p}, \\ 4 \mu^2 \alpha^4 m^4, & \text{for } \alpha \gg \frac{m}{p}. \end{cases}$$

Spin light photon average energy

$$\langle \omega \rangle = \frac{\text{radiation power}}{\text{transition rate}} = \frac{I}{\Gamma}$$

See also:
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★ “relativistic” case
 $p \gg m$

$$\langle \omega \rangle \simeq \begin{cases} 2\alpha \frac{p^2}{m}, & \text{for } \alpha \ll \frac{m}{p}, \\ \frac{1}{3}p, & \text{for } \frac{m}{p} \ll \alpha \ll \frac{p}{m}, \\ \alpha m, & \text{for } \alpha \gg \frac{p}{m}. \end{cases}$$

★ “non-relativistic” case
 $p \ll m$

$$\langle \omega \rangle \simeq \begin{cases} 2p\alpha, & \text{for } \alpha \ll 1, \\ \frac{10}{3}p\alpha^2, & \text{for } 1 \ll \alpha \ll \frac{m}{p}, \\ \alpha m, & \text{for } \alpha \gg \frac{m}{p}. \end{cases}$$

$$\alpha \ll \frac{m}{p}$$

$$\omega = 2.37 \times 10^{-7} \left(\frac{n}{10^{30} \text{cm}^{-3}} \right) \left(\frac{E}{m_\nu} \right)^2 \text{eV.} \quad \leftarrow$$

energy range of

$SL\nu$

span up to

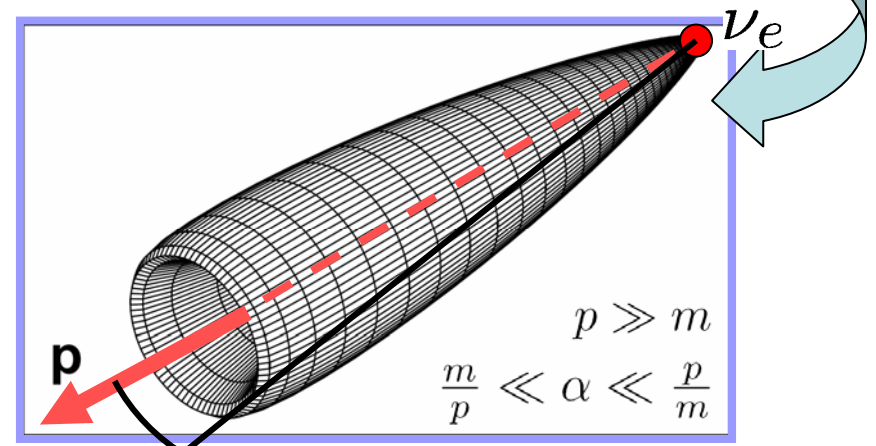
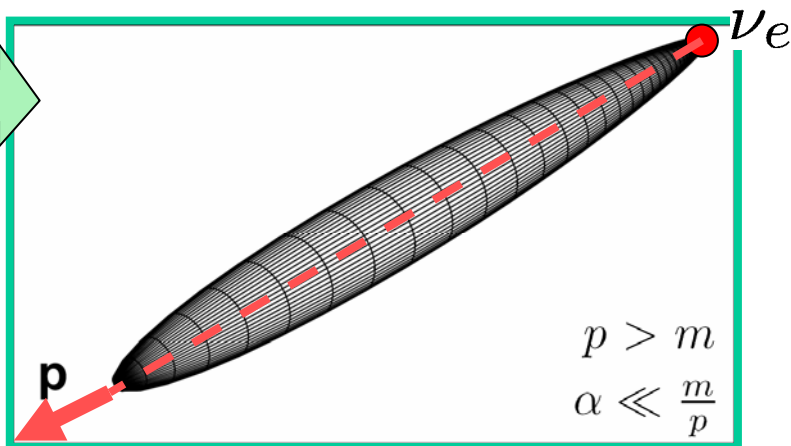
gamma-rays

Spatial distribution of radiation power

From the **angular distribution** of

$SL\nu$

$$I = \mu^2 \int_0^\pi \omega^4 [(\tilde{\beta}\tilde{\beta}' + 1)(1 - y \cos \theta) - (\tilde{\beta} + \tilde{\beta}')(\cos \theta - y)] \frac{\sin \theta}{1 + \tilde{\beta}'y} d\theta$$



for $p/m = 5$ and $\alpha = 0.01$

$$n \approx 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

neutrino
momentum

mass

matter density

$$\cos \theta_{max} \simeq 1 - \frac{2}{3} \alpha \frac{m}{p}$$

maximum in
radiation power
distribution

for $p/m = 10^3$ and $\alpha = 100$

$$n \approx 10^{39} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

increase of matter density

projector-like distribution

cap-like distribution

Polarization properties of $SL\nu$ photons (II)



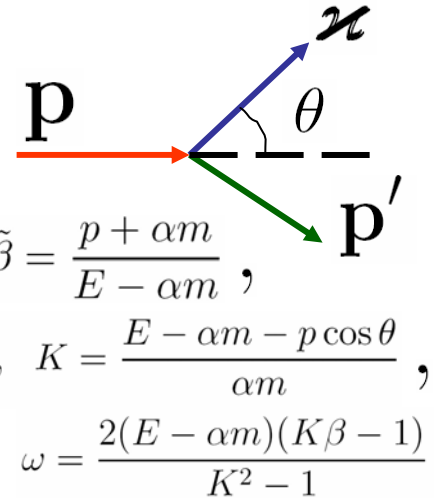
Radiation power of **circularly polarized** photons:

$$I^{(l)} = \mu^2 \int_0^\pi \frac{\omega^4}{1 + \beta' y} S_l \sin \theta d\theta$$

where

$$S_l = \frac{1}{2} (1 + l\beta') (1 + l\beta) (1 - l \cos \theta) (1 + ly)$$

$l = \pm 1$ correspond to the photon **right** and **left circular polarizations**.



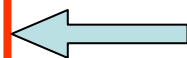
★ In the limit of **low matter density** $\alpha \ll 1$:

$$E_0 = \sqrt{p^2 + m^2}$$

$$I^{(l)} \simeq \frac{64}{3} \mu^2 \alpha^4 p^4 \left(1 - l \frac{p}{2E_0} \right), \quad I^{(+1)} > I^{(-1)}, \quad \text{however} \quad I^{(+1)} \sim I^{(-1)}.$$

★ In **dense matter** ($\alpha \gg \frac{m}{p}$ for $p \gg m$, and $\alpha \gg 1$ for $p \ll m$) :

$$\begin{matrix} I^{(+1)} & \simeq & I \\ I^{(-1)} & \simeq & 0 \end{matrix}$$



In a dense matter $SL\nu$ is **right-circular polarized**.

It is possible to have

$$\tau = \frac{1}{\Gamma} \ll \text{age of the Universe}$$

Consider the case $\frac{m}{p} \ll \alpha \ll \frac{p}{m}$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Gamma = 4\mu^2\alpha^2 m^2 p \\ I = \frac{128}{3}\mu^2\alpha^4 p^4 \\ \langle\omega\rangle \simeq \frac{1}{3}p \end{array} \right.$$
$$\alpha m_\nu = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}G_F n(1 + \sin^2\theta_W)$$

For ultra-relativistic ν
with momentum $p \sim 10^{20} \text{ eV}$
and magnetic moment $\mu \sim 10^{-10} \mu_B$
in very dense matter $n \sim 10^{40} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

it follows that

$$\tau = \frac{1}{\Gamma} = 1.5 \times 10^{-8} \text{ s}$$

$$p \gg m_{\text{plasmon}}$$

recently also
discussed by
A.Kuznetsov,
N.Mikheev, 2006

A.Lobanov, A.S., PLB 2003; PLB 2004

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Spin Light

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... a method of studying charged particles
interaction in matter...

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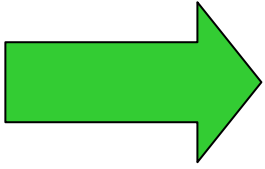
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Modified Dirac equation for electron in matter



$$\left\{ i\gamma_\mu \partial^\mu - \frac{1}{2}\gamma_\mu (1 - 4\sin^2 \theta_W + \gamma_5) \tilde{f}^\mu - m_e \right\} \Psi_e(x) = 0,$$

where

$$\tilde{f}^\mu = -f^\mu = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} (j_n^\mu - \lambda_n^\mu)$$

**matter
polarization**

**matter
current**

It is suppose that there is a macroscopic amount of neutrons in the scale of an electron de Broglie wave length. Therefore, **the interaction of electron with the matter (neutrons) is coherent.**

This is the most general equation of motion of an neutrino in which the effective potential accounts for **neutral-current** interactions with the background electrically neutral matter and also for the possible effects of matter **motion** and **polarization**.

Electron wave function in matter (II)

$$\Psi_{\varepsilon, \mathbf{p}, s}(\mathbf{r}, t) = \frac{e^{-i(E_{\varepsilon}^{(e)} t - \mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{r})}}{2L^{\frac{3}{2}}} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1 + \frac{m_e}{E_{\varepsilon}^{(e)} - c\alpha_n m_e}} \sqrt{1 + s \frac{p_3}{p}} \\ s \sqrt{1 + \frac{m_e}{E_{\varepsilon}^{(e)} - c\alpha_n m_e}} \sqrt{1 - s \frac{p_3}{p}} e^{i\delta} \\ s\varepsilon\eta \sqrt{1 - \frac{m_e}{E_{\varepsilon}^{(e)} - c\alpha_n m_e}} \sqrt{1 + s \frac{p_3}{p}} \\ \varepsilon\eta \sqrt{1 - \frac{m_e}{E_{\varepsilon}^{(e)} - c\alpha_n m_e}} \sqrt{1 - s \frac{p_3}{p}} e^{i\delta} \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$\eta = \text{sign}(1 - s\alpha \frac{m_e}{p}), \quad \delta = \arctan(p_2/p_1)$$

$$E_{\varepsilon}^{(e)} = \varepsilon\eta \sqrt{\mathbf{p}^2 \left(1 - s\alpha_n \frac{m_e}{p}\right)^2 + m_e^2 + c\alpha_n m_e}, \quad \text{where } c = 1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W$$

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$$\alpha_n = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} G_F \frac{n_n}{m_e},$$

The quantity $\varepsilon = \pm 1$ splits the solutions into the two branches that

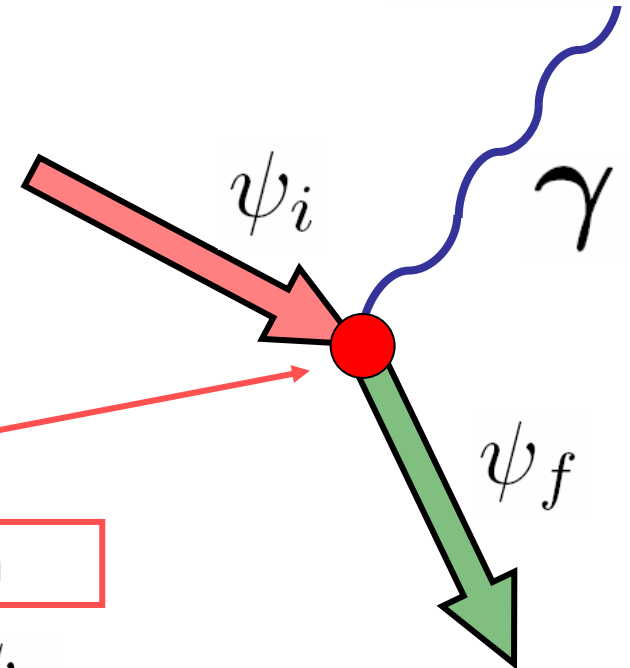
in the limit of **vanishing matter density**, $\alpha \rightarrow 0,$

reproduce the **positive** and **negative-frequency** solutions, respectively.

Theory of spin light of electron

SLe

The corresponding Feynman diagram is the one-photon emission diagram with the **initial** and **final** electron states described by the “**broad lines**” that account for the electron interaction with matter.



Electron interaction with quantized photon

the amplitude of the transition $\psi_i \longrightarrow \psi_f$

$$S_{fi} = -ie\sqrt{4\pi} \int d^4x \bar{\psi}_f(x) \gamma^\mu e_\mu^* \frac{e^{ikx}}{\sqrt{2\omega L^3}} \psi_i(x),$$

$$k^\mu = (\omega, \mathbf{k}), \quad \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \mathbf{k}/\omega \quad \text{momentum}$$

$$\mathbf{e}^* \quad \text{polarization of photon}$$

Order-of-magnitude estimation :

$$R = \frac{\Gamma_{SLe}}{\Gamma_{SL\nu}} \sim \frac{e^2}{\omega^2 \mu^2},$$

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then for $\mu \sim 10^{-10} \mu_0$ and $\omega \sim 5 \text{ MeV}$

$$R \sim 10^{18},$$

under these conditions

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is more effective than

$SL\nu$

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Exact calculations of

SLe

Transition rate

$$\Gamma = \frac{e^2}{2} \int_0^\pi \frac{\omega}{1 + \tilde{\beta}'_e y} S \sin \theta d\theta$$

and power

$$I = \frac{e^2}{2} \int_0^\pi \frac{\omega^2}{1 + \tilde{\beta}'_e y} S \sin \theta d\theta$$

where

$$S = (1 - y \cos \theta) \left(1 - \tilde{\beta}_e \tilde{\beta}'_e - \frac{m_e^2}{\tilde{E} \tilde{E}'} \right),$$

$$\tilde{\beta}_e = \frac{p + \alpha_n m_e}{\tilde{E}}, \quad \tilde{\beta}'_e = \frac{p' - \alpha_n m_e}{\tilde{E}'}, \quad \tilde{E} = E - c \alpha_n m_e,$$

energy and momentum of final neutrino

$$E' = E - \omega, \quad p' = K_e \omega - p,$$

$$K_e = \frac{\tilde{E} - p \cos \theta}{\alpha_n m_e}, \quad y = \frac{\omega - p \cos \theta}{p'}.$$

Spin light of electron in matter (**n**)

SLe

Transition **rate**

$$\Gamma = \frac{e^2 m^3}{4p^2} \frac{(1 + 2a) [(1 + 2b)^2 \ln(1 + 2b) - 2b(1 + 3b)]}{(1 + 2b)^2 \sqrt{1 + a + b}},$$

and **power**

$$I = \frac{e^2 m^4}{6p^2} \frac{(1 + a) [3(1 + 2b)^3 \ln(1 + 2b) - 2b(3 + 15b + 22b^2)] - 8b^4}{(1 + 2b)^3},$$

where $a = \alpha_n^2 + p^2/m_e^2$, $b = 2\alpha_n p/m_e$.

Spin light photon average energy

SLe

$$\langle \omega \rangle = \frac{\text{radiation power}}{\text{transition rate}} = \frac{I}{\Gamma}$$

In case

$$\alpha_n \gg m_e/p$$

$$\langle \omega \rangle \simeq \begin{cases} p, & \text{for } \frac{m_e}{p} \ll \alpha_n \ll \frac{p}{m_e}, \\ \alpha_n m_e, & \text{for } \alpha_n^{-1} \ll \frac{p}{m_e} \ll \alpha_n, \end{cases}$$

(it is supposed $\ln \frac{4\alpha_n p}{m_e} \gg 1$)



For relativistic electrons the emitted photon energy is in the range of **gamma-rays**

SLe

photon carries away nearly **the whole of the initial electron energy**



From exact calculations of

SLe

$$n \sim 10^{37} \div 10^{40} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$p \sim 1 \div 10^3 \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_\nu = 1 \text{ eV}$$

$$\mu = 10^{-10} \mu_0$$



$$R_\Gamma = \frac{\Gamma_{SLe}}{\Gamma_{SL\nu}} \sim 10^{16} \div 10^{19}$$

$$R_I = \frac{I_{SLe}}{I_{SL\nu}} \sim 10^{15} \div 10^{19}$$

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New mechanism of electromagnetic radiation

? Why **Spin Light** of neutrino $SL\nu$ of electron SLe in matter.

Analogies with:

* classical electrodynamics

an object with charge $Q=0$ and

magnetic moment $\vec{m} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i e_i [\vec{r}_i \times \vec{v}_i] \neq 0$

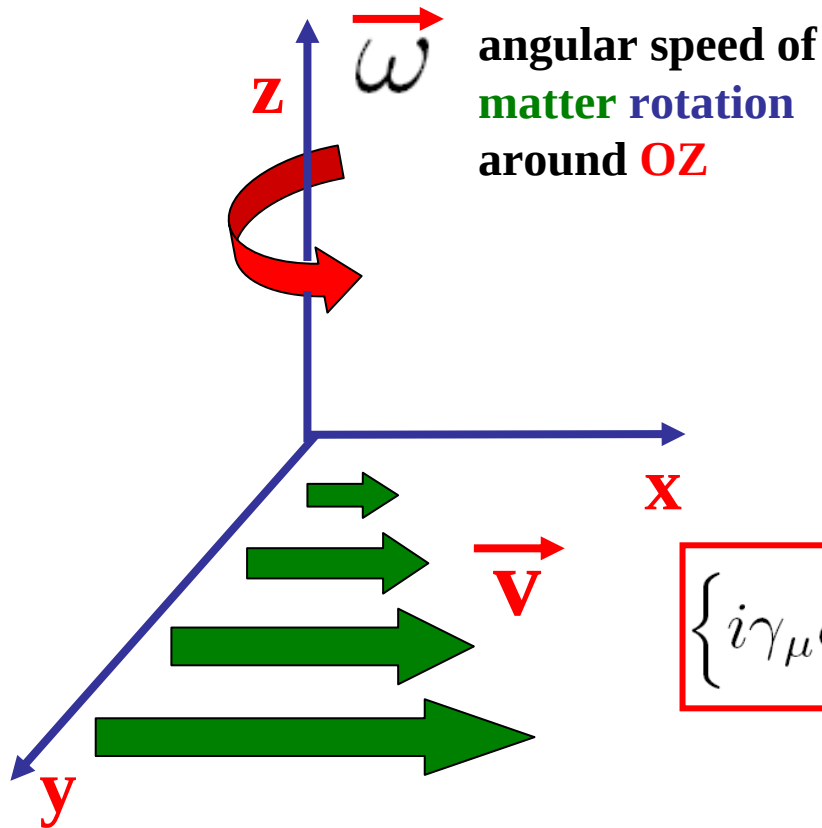
$$\overset{\text{cl.el.}}{I} = \frac{2}{3} \ddot{\vec{m}}^2$$

← magnetic dipole radiation power

Neutrino bound states in rotating medium

- *A.Grigoriev, A.Savochkin, A.Studenikin,
“Quantum states of the neutrino in non-uniformly moving medium”
Russ.Phys.J. 50 (2007) 845-852*
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Neutrino energy **quantization** in moving **matter**



Consider **v** moving in rotating **medium** composed of neutrons (generalization s.f.):

$$\left\{ i\gamma_\mu \partial^\mu - \frac{1}{2} \gamma_\mu (1 + \gamma_5) f^\mu - m \right\} \Psi(x) = 0$$

*A.Ternov, A.Studenikin,
Phys.Lett.B 608 (2005) 107*

where **matter** potential $f^\mu = -G(n, n\mathbf{v}), \quad \mathbf{v} = (\omega y, 0, 0), \quad G = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}}$

neutron number density

speed of matter

angular speed of rotation

For ✓ wave function components $\Psi(x)$:

$$\begin{aligned} [i(\partial_0 - \partial_3) + Gn] \Psi_1 + [- (i\partial_1 + \partial_2) + Gn\omega y] \Psi_2 &= m\Psi_3 \\ [(-i\partial_1 + \partial_2) + Gn\omega y] \Psi_1 + [i(\partial_0 + \partial_3) + Gn] \Psi_2 &= m\Psi_4 \\ i(\partial_0 + \partial_3) \Psi_3 + (i\partial_1 + \partial_2) \Psi_4 &= m\Psi_1 \\ (i\partial_1 - \partial_2) \Psi_3 + i(\partial_0 - \partial_3) \Psi_4 &= m\Psi_2 \end{aligned}$$

Method of exact solutions $\longrightarrow$ **exact solution ?**

The problem is reasonably simplified in case of relativistic ✓ :

$$m/p_0 \ll 1$$

and

$$Gn\omega \gg m^2$$

Two pairs of wave function components decouple from each other
and **4 equations** $\longrightarrow$ **2 x 2 equations**

that couple wave function components **in pairs**: (Ψ_1, Ψ_2) and (Ψ_3, Ψ_4)

Second pair of equations (in relativistic case) (Ψ_3, Ψ_4)

$$\begin{aligned}(p_0 - p_3) \Psi_3 - (p_1 - ip_2) \Psi_4 &= 0 \\ - (p_1 + ip_2) \Psi_3 + (p_0 + p_3) \Psi_4 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

does not contain **matter term** and describes sterile right-handed  state Ψ_R , can be written in plain-wave form

$$\Psi_R \sim L^{-\frac{3}{2}} \exp\{i(-p_0 t + p_1 x + p_2 y + p_3 z)\} \psi$$

Exact solution of second pair of equation is

$$\Psi_R = \frac{e^{-ipx}}{L^{3/2} \sqrt{2p_0(p_0 - p_3)}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -p_1 + ip_2 \\ p_3 - p_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where: $px = p_\mu x^\mu$, $p_\mu = (p_0, p_1, p_2, p_3)$, $x_\mu = (t, x, y, z)$

with vacuum dispersion relation  **sterile** Ψ_R .

(Ψ_1, Ψ_2)

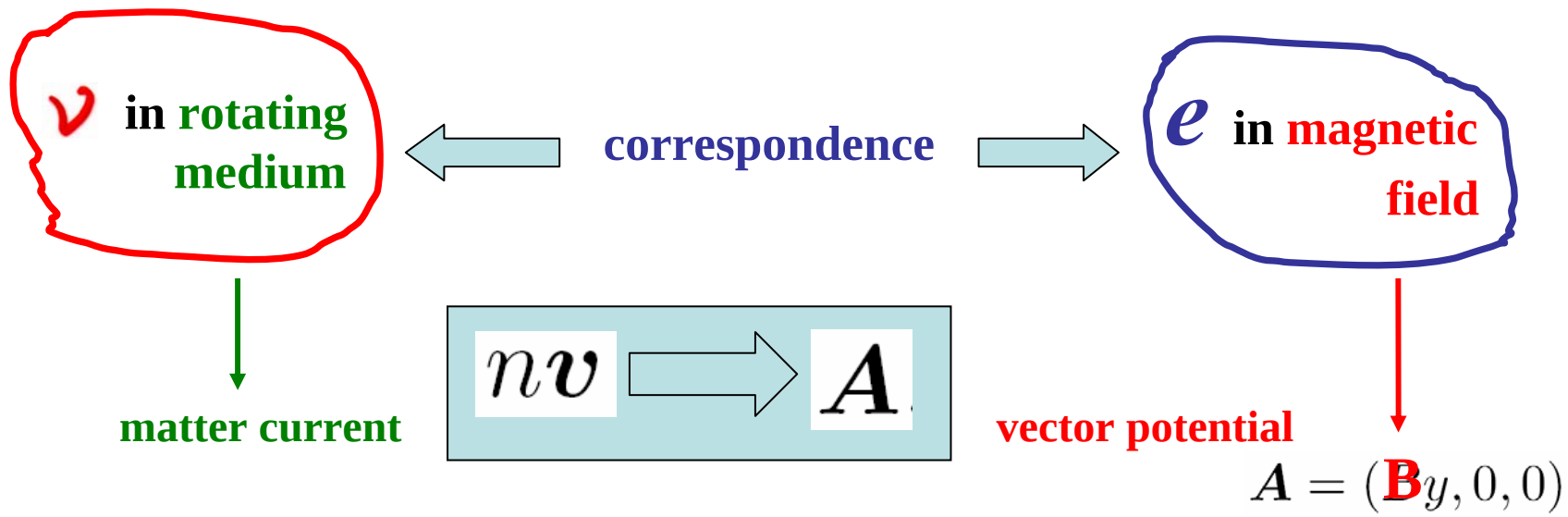
The **first pair** of equations does contain **matter term**

$$\begin{aligned} (p_0 + p_3 + Gn) \Psi_1 - \sqrt{\rho} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} - \eta \right) \Psi_2 &= 0 \\ \sqrt{\rho} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} + \eta \right) \Psi_1 + (p_0 - p_3 + Gn) \Psi_2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\eta = \sqrt{\rho} \left(x_2 + \frac{p_1}{\rho} \right), \quad \rho = Gn\omega$$

describes left-handed active ✓ , Ψ_L .

Equations are similar to those describing **electron in magnetic field $\mathbf{B}$** :



Exact solution Ψ_L of

$$\begin{cases} (p_0 + p_3 + Gn) \Psi_1 - \sqrt{\rho} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} - \eta \right) \Psi_2 = 0 \\ \sqrt{\rho} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} + \eta \right) \Psi_1 + (p_0 - p_3 + Gn) \Psi_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

where

$$\eta = \sqrt{\rho} \left(x_2 + \frac{p_1}{\rho} \right), \quad \rho = Gn\omega$$

can be found in plain-wave form ,

$$\Psi_L \sim \frac{1}{L} \exp\{i(-p_0 t + p_1 x + p_3 z)\} \psi(y) ,$$

and is then written as

$$\Psi_L = \frac{\rho^{\frac{1}{4}} e^{-ip_0 t + ip_1 x + ip_3 z}}{L \sqrt{(p_0 - p_3 + Gn)^2 + 2\rho N}} \begin{pmatrix} (p_0 - p_3 + Gn) u_N(\eta) \\ -\sqrt{2\rho N} u_{N-1}(\eta) \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$u_N(\eta)$ are Hermite functions of order N

Energy spectrum of active **left-handed neutrino**

$$p_0 = \sqrt{p_3^2 + 2\rho N} - Gn, \quad N = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$\rho = Gn\omega$$

Antineutrino  “negative sign” energy eigenvalues

$$\tilde{p}_0 = \sqrt{p_3^2 + 2\rho N} + Gn, \quad N = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

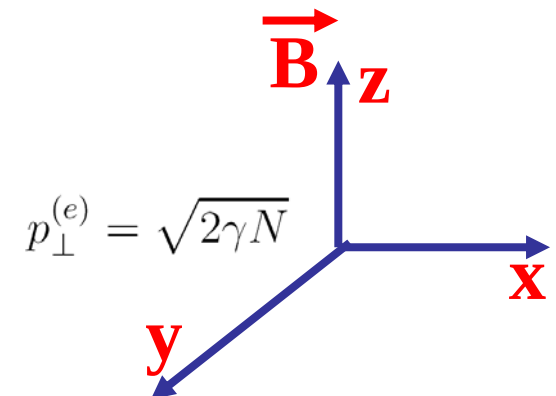


 energy quantization

Lev Landau
(1908-2008)
jubilee

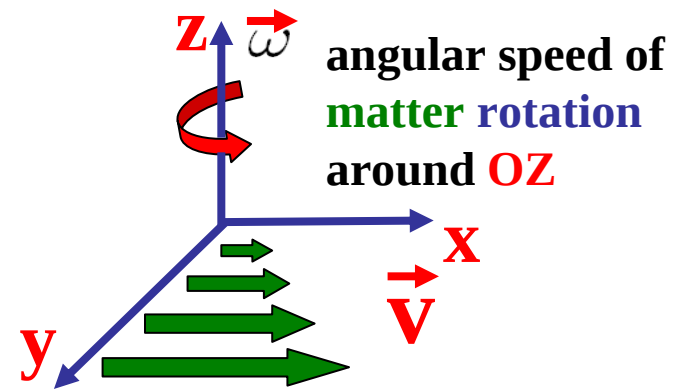
Transversal motion of active relativistic
is **quantized** in **rotating medium**
like **electron** motion is **quantized**
in magnetic field (**Landau energy levels**):

$$p_0^{(e)} = \sqrt{m_e^2 + p_3^2 + 2\gamma N}, \quad \gamma = eB, \quad N = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$



Consider antineutrino $\bar{\nu}$
 in rotating neutron matter,
 then energy of transversal motion

$$\tilde{p}_{\perp} = \sqrt{2\rho N} \quad \rho = Gn\omega$$



Quantum number N also determines **radius** of antineutrino quasi-classical orbit in moving matter:

$$R = \sqrt{\frac{2N}{Gn\omega}}$$

binding orbits inside a **Neutron Star** !?

NS:

$$\begin{aligned} R_{NS} &= 10 \text{ km} \\ n &= 10^{37} \text{ cm}^{-3} \\ \omega &= 2\pi \times 10^3 \text{ s}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

for this set $R = \sqrt{\frac{2N}{Gn\omega}} < R_{NS} = 10 \text{ km}$

if $N \leq N_{max} = 10^{10}$, $\bar{\nu}$ with $N \leq 10^{10}$ can be bound inside the star

thus, $\bar{\nu}$ with energy $\tilde{p}_0 \lesssim 10^3 \text{ eV}$ can be bound inside **NS**
 $N \gg 1$ and $p_3 = 0$

✓ quantum states in rotating matter

quasi-classical circular orbits due to central force

$$\mathbf{F}_m^{(\nu)} = q_m^{(\nu)} \boldsymbol{\beta} \times \mathbf{B}_m$$

$$\mathbf{B}_m = \nabla \times \mathbf{A}_m, \quad \mathbf{A}_m = n \mathbf{v}$$

“magnetic field” vector potential

“charge”
 $q_m^{(\nu)} = -G$

matter-induced “Lorentz force”,

$$\mathbf{F}_m^{(\nu)} \perp \boldsymbol{\beta}$$

Generalization to non-constant matter density:

$$\mathbf{F}_m^{(\nu)} = q_m^{(\nu)} \mathbf{E} + q_m^{(\nu)} \boldsymbol{\beta} \times \mathbf{B}_m,$$

L.Silva, R.Bingham,
 J.Dawson, J.Mendoca,
 P.Shukla, *Phys.Plasma* 7
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“magnetic field”

$$\mathbf{B}_m = n \nabla \times \mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v} \times \nabla n$$

“electric field”

$$\mathbf{E} = -\nabla n$$

Variation scale of matter density
 should be less then de Broglie wave
 length

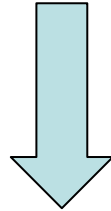
$$\left| \frac{\nabla n}{np} \right| \ll 1$$

Method of exact solutions

Modified **Dirac equations** for ν (and e)
(containing the correspondent effective matter potentials)

+

exact solutions (particles wave functions)



a basis for investigation of different phenomena which
can proceed when **neutrinos** and **electrons** move in
dense media
(**astrophysical** and **cosmological** environments).