

1st Tutorial [Symmetries]

Noether theorem (Symmetry) := Lets look at a continuous transformations on the field ϕ , which in infinitesimal form can be written as

$$\phi(x) \longrightarrow \phi'(x) = \phi(x) + \epsilon \Delta \phi(x) \longrightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

↳ infinitesimal parameter

$\Delta \phi(x)$ = some deformation of the field configuration.

Now we shall call this transformation a symmetry if it leaves the EOM invariant. This is insured if the action is invariant under $\textcircled{1}$

Generally, we can allow the action to change by a surface term coz the presence of such terms will not affect our derivation of EOM. The Lagrangian must therefore be invariant under $\textcircled{1}$ upto 4-divergence

$$\delta \mathcal{L} = \partial_\mu \mathbb{F}^\mu$$

for some \mathbb{F}^μ .

This variation means-

The variation of Lagrangian is

$$\delta \mathcal{L} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \phi} \delta \phi + \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_\mu \phi)} \delta (\partial_\mu \phi) \quad \delta \mathcal{L} = \frac{\mathcal{L}(\phi') - \mathcal{L}(\phi)}{\epsilon}$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta u F^\mu = \delta u \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial (\partial_\mu \phi)} \delta \phi \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta u \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial (\partial_\mu \phi)} \delta \phi - F^\mu \right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\partial_\mu J^\mu = 0}$$

current

Thus for each continuous symmetry of the Lagrangian we have a conservation law. This is the continuity equation.

The charge is

$$Q \equiv \int J^0 d^3x \quad \text{constant in time}$$

→ In class Suvrat talked about Lorentz transformation and some internal continuous symmetries of the Lagrangian. We shall discuss about discrete symmetries.

But first lets talk about

Lorentz transformation properties of the charges :-

Now given a conserved current $J^\mu \rightarrow J$ I will assume it transforms like a vector field. That is under Lorentz transformation Λ :-

$$J^\mu(x) \longrightarrow J^{\mu'}(x') = \Lambda^{\mu'}_{\nu} J^{\nu}(\Lambda^{-1}x)$$

We have defined

$$Q \equiv \int d^3x J^0(x, 0) \quad \left[\text{We can define } Q \text{ at any time since it is} \right. \\ \left. \text{time independent so I choose } t=0 \right]$$

Because we know how J^μ transforms we know how Q transforms. But is $Q = Q'$? Let's rewrite the charge

$$Q = \int \underbrace{d^4x}_{\downarrow} \delta(n \cdot x) \underbrace{n \cdot J(x)}_{\leftarrow} \quad \text{This is a fancy way of writing } J^0$$

turning space integral into 4d integral

and $n_\mu = (1, 0, 0, 0)$ is unit vector pointing in time

direction so that $n \cdot x = n_\mu x^\mu = x^0$

We can also write this as

$$Q = \int d^4x \partial_\mu \theta(n \cdot x) J^\mu(x)$$

but space derivative of theta function is zero. and so

$$\partial_\mu \theta(n \cdot x) = n_\mu \delta(n \cdot x)$$

Lets write the transformed Q as

$$Q' = \int d^4x' \delta(n \cdot x) n \cdot \Lambda J(\Lambda^{-1}x)$$

We do not change the integration surface at the same time

→ active view of transformation, i.e. we transform the fields and then write the new charge.

We define

$$x = \Lambda x' \quad n = \Lambda n' \quad \text{and so by Lorentz invariance}$$

$$n \cdot x = \Lambda x' \cdot \Lambda n' = n' \cdot x' \quad \text{and}$$

$$n \cdot \Lambda J = \Lambda n' \cdot \Lambda J = n' \cdot J$$

Thus

$$Q' = \int d^4x' \delta(n' \cdot x') n' \cdot J(x')$$

$$= \int d^4x \delta(n' \cdot x) n' \cdot J(x)$$

$$= \int d^4x \partial_\mu \Theta(n' \cdot x) J^\mu(x)$$

invariance of d^4x under Lorentz transformations

Now

$$Q - Q' = \int d^4x \left(\partial_\mu \left[\hat{H}^\mu (n \cdot x) - \hat{H}^\mu (n' \cdot x) \right] \right) \mp u(x) \quad \begin{matrix} - \\ x^0 \\ x^0 \end{matrix}$$

$$= \int d^4x \partial_\mu \left\{ \left[\hat{H}^\mu (n \cdot x) - \hat{H}^\mu (n' \cdot x) \right] \mp u(x) \right\}$$

$$- \int d^4x \left[\hat{H}^\mu (n \cdot x) - \hat{H}^\mu (n' \cdot x) \right] \partial_\mu \mp u(x)$$

This is the Boundary/surface term. At any fixed x as $t \rightarrow \infty$

the quantity becomes zero as both $n \cdot x$ becomes positive and

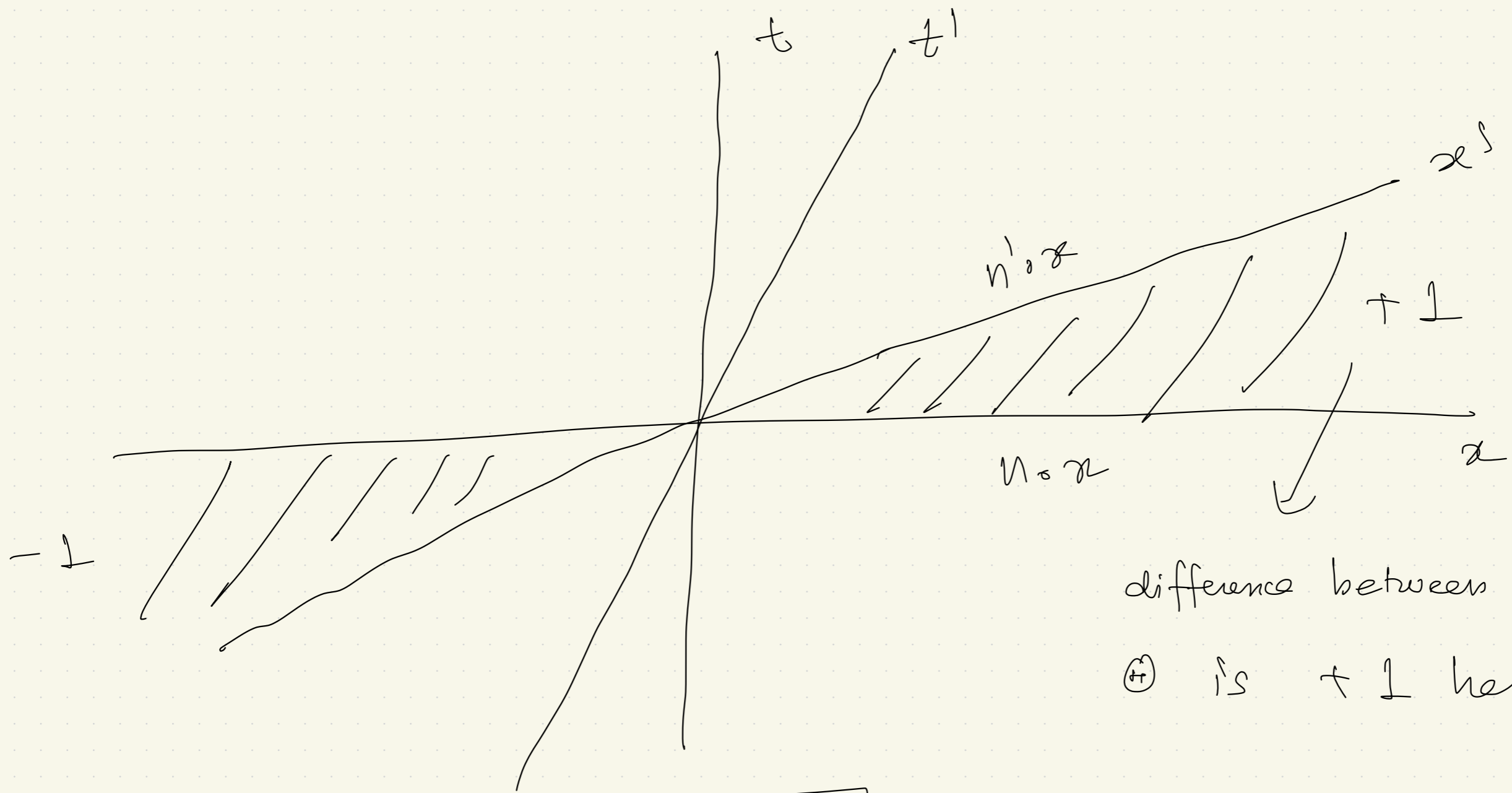
$n' \cdot x$ also becomes positive for each \hat{H}^μ function is ± 1 . Likewise as $t \rightarrow -\infty$

both \hat{H}^μ becomes -1 and so is zero.

$$\int dS_\mu \left[\hat{H}^\mu (n \cdot x) - \hat{H}^\mu (n' \cdot x) \right] \mp u(x)$$

This is zero since

$$\partial_\mu \mp u = 0$$



difference between two
 t is $t > t'$ here.

Thus $\boxed{Q = Q'}$ Q.E.D

Discrete - Symmetry

A discrete symmetry is a transformation where $\phi(x) \rightarrow \phi'(x)$ but no parameter in the transformation. But still there are these symmetries coz they leave the action invariant.

For eg :- there is no such thing as parity transformation is no by \mathbb{Z}^0 there is only parity. It's not like rotation. ∂_t simply doesn't appear.

Charge Conjugation :-

Lets say

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\partial^\mu \phi^a \partial_\mu \phi^a - v^2 \phi^a \phi^a \right)$$

we have two free fields $a = \{1, 2\}$ of the same mass.

In the class we said that this system was SO(2) invariant

Rotation group of Euclidean geometry

$$\phi^1 \rightarrow \phi^1 \cos \lambda + \phi^2 \sin \lambda = \phi^1 + \lambda \phi^2$$

$$\phi^2 \rightarrow \phi^2 \cos \lambda - \phi^1 \sin \lambda = \phi^2 - \lambda \phi^1$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta \phi^1 = \phi^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta \phi^2 = -\phi^1$$

Thus the current is

$$J^\mu = \frac{\partial L}{\partial (\partial_\mu \phi^a)} \delta \phi^a - F^\mu$$

$$\text{Here } F^\mu = 0$$

$$J^\mu = (\partial^\mu \phi^1) \phi^2 - (\partial^\mu \phi^2) \phi^1$$

Thus the charge here is

$$Q = \int J^0 d^3x = \int (\partial^0 \phi^1) \phi^2 - (\partial^0 \phi^2) \phi^1$$

Now we have

$$\phi^a(x) = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\omega_p}} \left(a_p^{(a)} e^{-ip \cdot x} + a_p^{(a)\dagger} e^{ip \cdot x} \right)$$

and

$$[a_p^{(a)}, a_{p'}^{(b)}] = [a_p^{(a)\dagger}, a_{p'}^{(b)\dagger}] = 0$$

$$[a_p^{(a)}, a_{p'}^{(b)\dagger}] = \delta^{ab} \delta^{(3)}(p - p')$$

$a_p^{(1)}, a_p^{(2)\dagger}$ type 1 operators

Thus we shall get

$$Q = i \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \left[\underbrace{a_p^{(1)†} + a_p^{(2)}}_{\text{this term}} - \underbrace{a_p^{(2)†} + a_p^{(1)}}_{\text{this term}} \right]$$

this term replaces type 2 particle with type (1)

This term annihilate type 1 particle with type 2

This expression looks nice and it has all the property you would expect for internal symmetry.

→ Q commutes with Hamiltonian and momentum and also

this Q annihilates the vacuum

$$Q|0\rangle = 0$$

But Q is not diagonal with

operators

$$\{ a_p^{(a)} \} \quad \{ a_p^{(b)†} \}$$

$$[Q, a_p^{(a)}] = -i \epsilon^{ab} a_p^{(b)}$$

$$[Q, a_p^{(a)†}] = -i \epsilon^{ab} a_p^{(b)†}$$

Now there is a way to make these commutators look nice.

Let's re-define the annihilation and creation operators which are linear combination of our original $a_p^{(a)}$ and $a_p^{(b)†}$

Defⁿ =

$$b_p = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(a_p^{(1)} + i a_p^{(2)} \right)$$

likewise,

$$c_p = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(a_p^{(1)} - i a_p^{(2)} \right)$$

$$b_p^\dagger = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(a_p^{(1)\dagger} - i a_p^{(2)\dagger} \right)$$

$$c_p^\dagger = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(a_p^{(1)\dagger} + i a_p^{(2)\dagger} \right)$$

Let's check commutations among these operators.

$$\begin{aligned} [b_p, c_{p'}^\dagger] &= \frac{1}{2} \left[a_p^{(1)} + i a_p^{(2)}, a_{p'}^{(1)\dagger} - i a_{p'}^{(2)\dagger} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[a_p^{(1)}, a_{p'}^{(1)\dagger} \right] + \frac{1}{2} \left[a_p^{(1)}, -i a_{p'}^{(2)\dagger} \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \left[i a_p^{(2)}, a_{p'}^{(1)\dagger} \right] - \frac{1}{2} \left[a_p^{(2)}, a_{p'}^{(2)\dagger} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \delta^{(3)}(p-p') - \frac{1}{2} \delta^{(3)}(p-p') = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus we shall see

$$[b_p, c_{p'}^\dagger] = 0$$

Now in this new basis the algebra of Q with b 's and c 's works out really well

By substitution we shall get -

$$Q = \int d^3p [b_p^\dagger b_p - c_p^\dagger c_p] = N_b - N_c \quad \rightarrow \text{This is similar to Electric charge}$$

The total charge is found by counting the difference between numbers of two particles. where N_b and N_c are no. of b -type and c -type particles in a given state.

Here

$$[Q, b_p] = -b_p \quad [Q, b_p^\dagger] = b_p^\dagger \quad (2)$$

$$[Q, c_p] = c_p \quad [Q, c_p^\dagger] = -c_p^\dagger$$

\rightarrow Thus we have diagonalized Q by writing b and c

Lets look at (2)

$$Q b_p^\dagger - b_p^\dagger Q = b_p^\dagger$$

when acting on ground state $|0\rangle$

$$Q b_p^\dagger |0\rangle = b_p^\dagger |0\rangle$$

$\Rightarrow Q (b_p^\dagger |0\rangle) = 1 (b_p^\dagger |0\rangle)$ and so for b -type particle the charge $Q = 1$

Till now what we have done is that we have defined new pairs of annihilation and creation operators and wrote the charge and Hamiltonian in terms of that. given the fields $\phi^{(1)}$ and $\phi^{(2)}$. But interestingly the same thing can also be achieved by re-defining the fields. Lets define a new field ψ , complex and its adjoint ψ^*

$$\psi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\phi^1 + i\phi^2)$$

$$\psi^* = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\phi^1 - i\phi^2)$$

In terms of new creation and annihilation operators we would get

$$\psi = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3 \sqrt{2\omega_p}} (b_p e^{-ip \cdot x} + c_p^\dagger e^{ip \cdot x})$$

$$\psi^* = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3 \sqrt{2\omega_p}} (b_p^\dagger e^{+ip \cdot x} + c_p e^{-ip \cdot x})$$

Our old fields had messy commutation with the charge

$$[Q, \phi^a(x)] = -i \epsilon^{ab} \phi^b(x)$$

But now

$$[Q, \psi] = -\psi$$

$$[Q, \psi^\dagger] = \psi^\dagger$$

ψ is an operator which lowers the charge

by ± 1 either by annihilating a b -particle

with charge $+1$ or creating a c -particle

with charge -1 . Likewise ψ^\dagger always

raises the charge either annihilating a

c -particle of charge -1 or creating a

b -particle with charge $+1$.

The commutators are interesting

$$[\psi(x,t), \psi(y,t)] = [\psi^\dagger(x,t), \psi^\dagger(y,t)]$$

$$= [\psi(x,t), \psi^\dagger(y,t)] = 0$$

But $[\psi(x,t), \psi(y,t)] = 0$. However $[\psi^\dagger(x,t), \psi^\dagger(y,t)] = 0$

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This is also zero.

Indeed, the only non-zero equal time commutators are $\psi(x,t)$ and $\partial_0 \psi^\dagger(y,t)$ and

$$[\psi(x,t), \partial_0 \psi^\dagger(y,t)] = [\psi^\dagger(x,t), \partial_0 \psi(y,t)] = i \epsilon^{(3)}(\vec{x} - \vec{y})$$

Ofc if we try to write the Lagrangian in terms of ψ and ψ^\dagger we shall get

$$\mathcal{L} = \partial_\mu \psi^\dagger \partial^\mu \psi - m^2 \psi^\dagger \psi$$

and EOM are

$$\begin{cases} \square^2 \psi + m^2 \psi = 0 \\ \square^2 \psi^\dagger + m^2 \psi^\dagger = 0 \end{cases}$$

Remember in the original basis we had $so(2)$ symmetry

$$\phi^1 \rightarrow \phi^1 \cos \lambda + \phi^2 \sin \lambda$$

$$\phi^2 \rightarrow \phi^2 \cos \lambda - \phi^1 \sin \lambda$$

In terms of new operators the Hamiltonian can be written as

$$H = \int d^3p \omega_p [b_p^\dagger b_p + c_p^\dagger c_p]$$

But in fact the system has a larger invariance group of internal symmetries, including discrete internal symmetry. It has (all $O(2)$ invariance.

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meaning it is invariant not just under proper rotation but also under improper rotations i.e. reflections \rightarrow

Let's choose

$$\phi^1 \rightarrow \phi^1$$

$$\phi^2 \rightarrow -\phi^2$$

so that in $\psi - \psi^*$ formalism

$$\psi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\phi^1 + i\phi^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\phi^1 + i\phi^2) (\cos \lambda - i \sin \lambda)$$

$$\psi^* = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\phi^1 - i\phi^2) = e^{i\lambda} \psi^*$$

The group defined by this symmetry is $U(1)$. Unitary group in 1 dimension.

Anyway the symmetry that we are working now is

$$\phi^1 \rightarrow \phi^1$$

$$\phi^2 \rightarrow -\phi^2$$

Claim:- there is a unitary transformation that does this

$$\phi^1 \rightarrow U^\dagger \phi^1 U = \phi^1$$

$$\phi^2 \rightarrow U^\dagger \phi^2 U = -\phi^2$$

$$a_p^{(1)} \rightarrow U^\dagger a_p^{(1)} U = a_p^{(1)}$$

$$a_p^{(2)} \rightarrow U^\dagger a_p^{(2)} U = -a_p^{(2)}$$

and so creation also.

Thus
$$\psi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\phi^1 + i\phi^2) \xrightarrow{U} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\phi^1 - i\phi^2) = \psi^*$$

Thus
$$\psi \xrightarrow{U} \psi^*$$

You can say that U acting on any state turns all the b -type particles into c -type.

$$b_p = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (a_p^{(1)} + i a_p^{(2)}) \xrightarrow{U} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (a_p^{(1)} - i a_p^{(2)}) = c_p$$

$$c_p \xrightarrow{U} b_p$$

Such a transformation is called charge conjugation. We call this symmetry C .

$$C : \begin{Bmatrix} b_p \\ c_p \end{Bmatrix} \longleftrightarrow U_C^\dagger \begin{Bmatrix} b_p \\ c_p \end{Bmatrix} U_C = \begin{Bmatrix} c_p \\ b_p \end{Bmatrix}$$

Here we can see that applying the charge conjugation twice is just identity.

$$U_C^2 = \mathbb{I} \quad \text{and we have}$$

$$U_C^\dagger = U_C^{-1} \text{ [unitary]}$$

$$\Rightarrow U_C = U_C^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{U_C = U_C^\dagger} \Rightarrow \text{This means } U_C \text{ is both unitary and}$$

Now we shall look at Parity :- Parity changes the sign of the spatial coordinates leaving time-coordinate untouched

$$P : \begin{cases} x \rightarrow -x \\ t \rightarrow t \end{cases}$$

Parity transformation is the same thing as a reflection followed by rotation about a normal to that plane by 180° . So a theory with rotational symmetry is parity invariant if and only if it is reflection-invariant.

But parity is improper rotation (its determinant is -1)

So until so long ago it was assumed that any realistic physical theory would be parity-symmetric but Wu and her group discovered that parity was violated by β -decay.

Now an ordinary scalar (say m) is invariant under parity while an ordinary 3-vector like velocity changes sign

$$P \circ m \rightarrow m$$

$$P \circ v \rightarrow -v$$

on the other hand a cross product of two vectors (eg:- angular momentum

$$L = r \times p \text{ picks two signs}$$

and scalar triple product $w = a \cdot (b \times c)$ is scalar that changes sign

$$P \circ L \rightarrow L \quad P \circ w \rightarrow -w$$

We call this "axial vectors" and "pseudoscalars" coz of such behaviours.

In field theory we can have scalar fields, vector fields, axial vector fields, pseudoscalar fields and so on.

Generally the action of parity is written as

$$P \circ \phi^a(x, t) \rightarrow M^a_b \phi^b(-x, t) \rightarrow (2)$$

i.e. Parity turns a field at (\vec{x}, t) into some linear combination of fields at points $(-\vec{x}, t)$. A theory is parity invariant if action is unchanged by (2).

Let's take an example:-

$$\mathcal{L}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2 - \underbrace{g \phi^4}_{\text{interaction term}}$$

This Lagrangian has ~~possess~~ parity invariance

$$P \circ \phi(x, t) \longrightarrow \phi(-x, t) \quad \text{the Lagrangian changes by} \quad \textcircled{3}$$

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scalar transformation law.

$$\mathcal{L}(x, t) \longrightarrow \mathcal{L}(-x, t)$$

But the action or EOM is unchanged.

This is implemented by the unitary operators

$$P \circ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} a_p \\ a_p^\dagger \end{array} \right\} \longrightarrow U_P^\dagger \left\{ \begin{array}{l} a_p \\ a_p^\dagger \end{array} \right\} U_P = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} a_{-p} \\ a_{-p}^\dagger \end{array} \right\}$$

Proof :- \rightarrow Apply $\textcircled{3}$ to the defⁿ of ϕ and change the integral variable
 $p \rightarrow -p$

$$\phi(\vec{x}, t) \rightarrow \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \left[a_p e^{-i p \cdot x} + a_p^\dagger e^{i p \cdot x} \right]$$

$$\phi(\vec{x}, t) \rightarrow \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \left[a_p e^{-i \omega \cdot t + i \vec{p} \cdot \vec{x}} + a_p^\dagger e^{i \omega t - i \vec{p} \cdot \vec{x}} \right]$$

$$\phi(-\vec{x}, t) = \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \left[a_p e^{-i \omega t - i \vec{p} \cdot \vec{x}} + a_p^\dagger e^{i \omega t + i \vec{p} \cdot \vec{x}} \right]$$

$$= \int \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \left[a_{-p} e^{-i p \cdot x} + a_{-p}^\dagger e^{i p \cdot x} \right]$$

Thus parity takes the particle going \rightarrow and turns it in particle going \leftarrow

Acting on the basis states

$$U_P |\vec{p}_1, \vec{p}_2, \dots, \vec{p}_n\rangle = |-\vec{p}_1, -\vec{p}_2, \dots, -\vec{p}_n\rangle$$

* Now there is an alternative parity transformation \rightarrow (4)

$P' \circ \phi(\vec{x}, t) \rightarrow -\phi(-\vec{x}, t)$ - This transformation is also invariance of our Lagrangian

pseudoscalar transformation law
(one another way of defining parity)

cos L is invariant under $\phi \rightarrow -\phi$ and product of symmetry is a symmetry.
The product CP is a symmetry but its just a matter of notation and one can always call \otimes as a ty of parity or new defⁿ of parity

Consider a Lagrangian,

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2 - g \phi^4 - \underbrace{h \phi^3}$$

cos of this

$\phi \rightarrow -\phi$ is no longer a good defⁿ of parity nor it is a symmetry. In this case the only sensible defⁿ of parity is scalar transformation law =

Finally let's look at time-reversal symmetry.

represented by

Time reversal is rather peculiar coz unlike others it is not unitary

operators but by anti-unitary operators.

Consider a particle in 1D moving in potential. The classical theory is invariant under the time-reversal transformation

$$T : \begin{cases} q(t) \rightarrow q(-t) \\ p(t) \rightarrow -p(-t) \end{cases}$$

Our first guess is that there should be unitary operator (lets call) U_T that effects this transformation:

$$U_T^\dagger \begin{Bmatrix} q(t) \\ p(t) \end{Bmatrix} U_T \stackrel{?}{=} \begin{Bmatrix} q(-t) \\ -p(-t) \end{Bmatrix}$$

However this leads to contradiction immediately. We know that

$$[q(t), p(t)] = i$$

Apply U_T to right and U_T^\dagger to left

$$U_T^\dagger q(t) p(t) U_T \rightarrow U_T^\dagger p(t) q(t) U_T = U_T^\dagger i U_T$$

$$\Rightarrow q(-t) [-p(-t)] + p(-t) q(-t) = U_T^\dagger i U_T = i$$

$$\Rightarrow - [q(-t), p(-t)] = i$$

↳ commutation changes which should not

Thus our hypothesis should be wrong. There is no "unitary operator".

② There is 2nd Contradiction also - We expect U_T if exists should reverse time

evolution

$$U_T^\dagger e^{-iHt} U_T = e^{iHt} \quad [\text{expectation}]$$

Take d/dt on both side. at $t=0$ we get

$$U_T^\dagger (-iH) U_T = iH$$

Canceling i 's give

$$\boxed{U_T^\dagger H U_T = -H}$$

H and $-H$ are related by unitary transformation. If H is bounded from below then it doesn't make sense

that time translation will make the Hamiltonian negative.

The resolution here is to use anti-unitary operators

Review of Operators :-

Defⁿ 1:- An operator is unitary if two conditions are met

→ U is invertible.

→ for any two vectors a and b in Hilbert space

$$(Ua, Ub) = (a, b) \text{ i.e. } U \text{ preserves the norm.}$$

Defⁿ 2:- An operator U is linear if for 2 complex α and β and $a, b \in$ Hilbert space.

$$U(\alpha a + \beta b) = \alpha Ua + \beta Ub$$

This is sufficient to show that U is linear. But first

Defⁿ 3:- The adjoint A^\dagger of a linear operator is defined by

$$(a, A^\dagger b) = (Aa, b)$$

Now if U is unitary then

$$\begin{aligned}(a, U^{-1}b) &= (Ua, UU^{-1}b) \\ &= (Ua, b) = (a, U^\dagger b)\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{U^{-1} = U^\dagger} \Rightarrow \text{if } U \text{ is unitary.}$$

The transformation of state $a \rightarrow Ua$ can be thought of as

$$(a, Ab) \rightarrow (Ua, AUb) = (a, U^\dagger AUb)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{A \rightarrow U^\dagger AU}$$

Defⁿ:- An anti-unitary operator is an invertible operator given by Ω

$$(\Omega a, \Omega b) = (a, b)^* = (b, a)$$

One example of such operators is complex conjugation \hat{K} of Schrodinger wave eqⁿ

$$K(\alpha\psi_1 + \beta\psi_2) = \alpha^* \psi_1^* + \beta^* \psi_2^*$$

Likewise

$$(K\psi_1, K\psi_2) = (\psi_1^*, \psi_2^*) = (\psi_2, \psi_1) = (\psi_1, \psi_2)^*$$

A fact about anti-unitary Ω is that Ω can be written as $\underbrace{U K}$ product of these.
 \hookrightarrow It can be proved.

Defⁿ:- An operator A is called anti-linear if

$$A(\alpha a + \beta b) = \alpha^* A a + \beta^* A b$$

Claim:- Ω is anti-linear

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega(\alpha a + \beta b) &= UK(\alpha a + \beta b) = U(\alpha^* a + \beta^* b) \\ &= \alpha^* Ua + \beta^* Ub \\ &= \alpha^* UKa + \beta^* UKb \\ &= \alpha^* \Omega a + \beta^* \Omega b \end{aligned}$$

Now how does ^{operators} transform under Ω

Consider $(a, Aa) \rightarrow (\Omega a, A\Omega a) = (A\Omega a, \Omega a) = (\Omega\Omega^{-1}A\Omega a, \Omega a)$
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 states transforms as \quad if A is Hermitian

$$\begin{aligned} (\Omega a, \Omega b) &= (b, a) \\ G &= (a, \Omega^{-1} A \Omega a) \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\boxed{A \rightarrow \Omega^{-1} A \Omega}$

The transformation on state vectors can be alternatively thought of as transformation of operators (Hermitian)

Now

$$\begin{aligned} &\Omega_T^{-1} [q(0), p(0)] \Omega_T \\ &= - [q(0), p(0)] = \Omega_T^{-1} i \Omega_T = -i \end{aligned}$$

Thus there is no contradiction.

For the 2nd Contradiction,

$$\Omega_T^{-1} (-iH) \Omega_T = iH$$

$$\Rightarrow \Omega_T^{-1} (-i) \Omega_T \Omega_T^{-1} H \Omega_T = iH$$

$$\Rightarrow i \Omega_T^{-1} H \Omega_T = iH$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\Omega_T^{-1} H \Omega_T = H}$$

H is invariant under time-reversal,

Let us come to QFT, we have the Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2$$

As before we can multiply time reversal operator by any internal symmetry and obtain an equally good time-reversal operator. It's actually better to work in PT case. Acting on x^μ PT multiplies all four comp by -1 . This operation commutes with Lorentz group.

Now if I have a particle with momentum vector \rightarrow parity will reverse it \leftarrow but time reversal will reverse it again from \leftarrow to \rightarrow .

So, I expect PT to do nothing to the momentum p . Therefore the anti-

unitary operators

$$\Omega_{PT} |\vec{p}_1, \vec{p}_2, \dots, \vec{p}_n\rangle = |\vec{p}_1, \vec{p}_2, \dots, \vec{p}_n\rangle$$

But this does not imply $\Omega_{PT} = 1$

lets look at the operators a_p and a_{p^\dagger} . Since Ω_{PT} do nothing to p , so one can easily deduce that

$$\Omega_{PT} a_p = a_p \Omega_{PT}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_p = \Omega_{PT}^{-1} a_p \Omega_{PT}$$

It sure looks like Ω_{PT} acts like 1. But what about the fields?

We know

$$\phi(x) = \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3 \sqrt{2\omega_p}} \left(a_p e^{-i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{x}} + a_{p^\dagger} e^{i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{x}} \right)$$

This is

When I apply Ω_T^{-1} and Ω_T then p don't change, a_p don't change but $e^{i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{x}}$ gets complex conjugated. So

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{PT}^{-1} \phi(x) \Omega_{PT} &= \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3 \sqrt{2\omega_p}} \left(a_p e^{i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{x}} + a_{p^\dagger} e^{-i\vec{p}\cdot\vec{x}} \right) \\ &= \phi(-x) \end{aligned}$$

The operator Ω_{PT} is not acting like 1. It turns the field at space-time point x^μ into the field at space point

Unitary Operator for Charge Conjugation :-

We shall define

number operator N_2 of particle 2 where

$$N_2 = \int d^3 p a_p^{(2)\dagger} a_p^{(2)}$$

Then

$$U | \bar{p}_1, \bar{p}_2, \dots, \bar{p}_N \rangle = (-1)^{N_2} | \bar{p}_1, \bar{p}_2, \dots, \bar{p}_N \rangle$$

Thus

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} U^\dagger \phi^1 U &= (-1)^{N_2} \phi^1 (-1)^{N_2} = \phi^1 \quad \text{and} \\ U^\dagger \phi^2 U &= (-1)^{N_2} \phi^2 (-1)^{N_2} = -\phi^2 \end{aligned} \right.$$

Let's talk about this. Here N_2 commutes with ϕ^1 and so goes through

For this equation ϕ^2 will create or annihilate a type 2 particle, hence change the number by ± 1 and so if the first N_2 will make $(-1)^{N_2}$ positive or negative, the 2nd N_2 on the left hand side will make $(-1)^{N_2}$ the other way giving a minus sign in total.