

$$d = -\frac{1}{m_\rho^2} \left[\frac{1}{3} m - (1/3 m^*) (m + m_*) (m_*^2 + m^2 - \mu^2) - (1/3 m_*) (m m_* + m_*^2 - \mu^2) + \frac{1}{6 m_*} (m_*^2 + m^2 - \mu^2) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{(m_*^2 - m^2 - \mu^2)}{m_\rho^2 - \mu^2} \{ (m + m_*) (1 - (1/3 m^*) (m_*^2 + m^2 - \mu^2)) - (1/3 m_*) (m m_* + m_*^2 - \mu^2) \} \right], \quad (18)$$

$$e = \frac{1}{m m_\rho^2} \left[\frac{(m_*^2 - m^2 - m_\rho^2)}{(m_\rho^2 - \mu^2)} \left\{ \frac{1}{6 m_*} (m + m_*) (m_*^2 + m^2 - \mu^2) - \frac{1}{3} (m_*^2 + m m_* - \mu^2) \right\} \right. \\ \left. - m^2 + (1/6 m_*^2) (m_*^2 + m^2 - m_\rho^2) (m_*^2 + m^2 - \mu^2 - m m_*) \right], \quad (19)$$

$$f = 1/m_\rho^2. \quad (20)$$

We now use $g_{NN\pi} = \sqrt{15}$ and $|g_{N^*N\pi}| = 3.12 \text{ BeV}^{-1}$.¹⁰ The coupling constant $g_{NN\rho}^{(1)}$ is taken to be¹¹ equal to 4.52 and¹²

$$g_{NN\rho}^{(2)}/g_{NN\rho}^{(1)} \simeq -3.66. \quad (21)$$

From (13) and (14) we obtain

$$F_{N^*N\rho}^{(1)} = -2.84, \quad F_{N^*N\rho}^{(2)} = 1.03. \quad (22)$$

These results should be compared with the $SU(6)$ values $F_{N^*N\rho}^{(1)} = -3.5$ and $F_{N^*N\rho}^{(2)} = 1.5$.¹³ The experimental analysis of Albright and Liu (Ref. 9) gives a large number of sets of values for $F_{N^*N\rho}^{(1)}$ and $F_{N^*N\rho}^{(2)}$ which are quite consistent with ours.

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Dressed Particle States in Local Quantum Field Theory

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The approximate stationary quantum state which describes a dressed fermion elementary particle in a model theory of interacting local fields is reported. Showing no dependence on the infinite, positive, bare-mass constant, a finite, positive, dressed fermion mass value is obtainable.

IN contrast to the quantum-theoretic models studied heretofore, the essentially nonlinear field theory analyzed in this paper by means of a nonperturbative method of solution admits the possibility of a finite, positive, dressed fermion mass value, independent of the infinite, positive, bare-mass constant. There is a similarity between this work and that of Nelson,¹ with the fermion field operator treated here in a patently nonrelativistic fashion.

Our purely local model theory is based on the Lorentz-invariant Lagrangian density

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2} \partial^\mu \phi \partial_\mu \phi + \psi^\dagger (i \sigma^\mu \partial_\mu - m_0) \psi + \lambda \phi^2 \psi^\dagger \psi, \quad (1)$$

¹ E. Nelson, J. Math. Phys. **5**, 1190 (1964).

with ϕ a real scalar field, ψ a two-component complex Weyl spinor field, m_0 a positive bare-mass constant, and λ a positive coupling constant. From (1) we obtain the associated Hamiltonian operator

$$H = \int \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\delta^2}{\delta \phi(\mathbf{x})^2} + \frac{1}{2} |\nabla \phi(\mathbf{x})|^2 - i \psi^\dagger(\mathbf{x}) \sigma \cdot \nabla \psi(\mathbf{x}) \right. \\ \left. + [m_0 - \lambda \phi(\mathbf{x})^2] \psi^\dagger(\mathbf{x}) \psi(\mathbf{x}) \right\} d^3x \quad (2)$$

in which the boson field operator $\phi(\mathbf{x})$ is represented in diagonalized form and the fermion field operator $\psi(\mathbf{x})$ satisfies the anticommutation relations $\{\psi(\mathbf{x}), \psi(\mathbf{x}')\} = 0$, $\{\psi(\mathbf{x}), \psi^\dagger(\mathbf{x}')\} = \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')$.

The nonrelativistic approximation to the vacuum state, following from the specific ordering in (2), is

$$|\text{vac}\rangle = \left\{ \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \int \int \phi(\mathbf{x}) f_{\text{vac}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \phi(\mathbf{y}) d^3x d^3y \right] \right\} \times \Omega_{\text{vac}}, \quad (3)$$

where Ω_{vac} denotes the nonrelativistic fermion vacuum, $\psi(\mathbf{x})\Omega_{\text{vac}} = 0$ with $\Omega_{\text{vac}}^\dagger \Omega_{\text{vac}} = 1$, and $f_{\text{vac}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = (-\nabla_{\mathbf{x}}^2)^{1/2} \times \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})$ is the real symmetric distribution inverse to

$$g_{\text{vac}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \frac{e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})} d^3k}{|\mathbf{k}|} \\ = \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} (1 - \cos K|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|) / 2\pi^2 |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|^2, \quad (4)$$

the wave-number integration being restricted to $|\mathbf{k}| \leq K$, a cutoff constant. Normalized with respect to an appropriate displacement-invariant measure for the inner product functional integration over all fields ϕ , the vacuum state (3) is such that the associated *energy functionality*²

$$E_{\text{vac}} \equiv \langle \text{vac} | H | \text{vac} \rangle / \langle \text{vac} | \text{vac} \rangle \\ = \int \left\{ \frac{1}{4} f_{\text{vac}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}) + \frac{1}{4} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{y}} g_{\text{vac}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \Big|_{\mathbf{y}=\mathbf{x}} \right\} d^3x \quad (5)$$

satisfies the Rayleigh-Ritz equation $\delta E_{\text{vac}} / \delta f_{\text{vac}} = 0$, an integral equation which yields the expression (4). Finally, the vacuum state energy can be obtained by evaluating (5),

$$E_{\text{vac}} = \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} \int \frac{K^4}{16\pi^2} d^3x.$$

Let us seek a physical one-fermion stationary state, a simultaneous eigenstate of the Hamiltonian (2) and the fermion number operator $\int \psi^\dagger(\mathbf{x})\psi(\mathbf{x})d^3x$ (eigenvalues E_{one} and unity, respectively) with the approximate form

$$|\text{one}\rangle = N^{-1} \left[\exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \int \int [\phi(\mathbf{x}) - \phi_1(\mathbf{x})] \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \times f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) [\phi(\mathbf{y}) - \phi_1(\mathbf{y})] d^3x d^3y \right) \right] \\ \times \int \psi^\dagger(\mathbf{x})\psi_1(\mathbf{x}) d^3x \Omega_{\text{vac}}, \quad (6)$$

where $\phi_1(\mathbf{x})$, $\psi_1(\mathbf{x})$ (c -number functions) and $f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$

² G. Rosen, Phys. Rev. Letters **16**, 704 (1966). In symbolic notation, the appropriate displacement-invariant measure is

$$\mathfrak{D}(\phi) = \prod_{\mathbf{x}} \left(\frac{d^3x}{\pi} \right)^{1/2} \delta[(-\nabla_{\mathbf{x}}^2)^{1/4} \phi(\mathbf{x})],$$

and the squared-norm of (3) takes the form

$$\langle \text{vac} | \text{vac} \rangle = \int \left\{ \exp \left[-\int [(-\nabla_{\mathbf{x}}^2)^{1/4} \phi(\mathbf{x})]^2 d^3x \right] \right\} \mathfrak{D}(\phi) \Omega_{\text{vac}}^\dagger \Omega_{\text{vac}} = 1.$$

For a discussion of this measure $\mathfrak{D}(\phi)$, see: K. O. Friedrichs *et al.*, New York University Institute of Mathematical Sciences Report, 1957 (unpublished), p. II-9.

$= f(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x})$ (a c -number distribution) are to be determined by the Rayleigh-Ritz procedure and N is a normalization constant. The *energy functionality* associated with (2) and (6) is defined and evaluated by functional integration² as

$$E_{\text{one}} \equiv \langle \text{one} | H | \text{one} \rangle / \langle \text{one} | \text{one} \rangle \\ = \int \left\{ \frac{1}{4} f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}) + \frac{1}{4} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{y}} g(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \Big|_{\mathbf{y}=\mathbf{x}} + \frac{1}{2} |\nabla \phi_1|^2 \right. \\ \left. - i\psi_1^\dagger \sigma \cdot \nabla \psi_1 + [m_0 - \lambda \phi_1^2 - \frac{1}{2} \lambda g(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x})] \psi_1^\dagger \psi_1 \right\} d^3x \quad (7)$$

in which $g(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is the real symmetric distribution inverse to $f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$,

$$\int f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) g(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}) d^3z \equiv \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}). \quad (8)$$

From (7) we derive the Rayleigh-Ritz equations

$$\frac{\delta E_{\text{one}}}{\delta \phi_1} = -\nabla^2 \phi_1 - 2\lambda \psi_1^\dagger \psi_1 \phi_1 = 0, \quad (9)$$

$$\frac{\delta E_{\text{one}}}{\delta \psi_1^\dagger} = -i\sigma \cdot \nabla \psi_1 + [m_0 - \lambda \phi_1^2 - \frac{1}{2} \lambda g(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x})] \psi_1 = 0, \quad (10)$$

$$\frac{\delta E_{\text{one}}}{\delta f} = \frac{1}{4} \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) + \frac{1}{4} \int g(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) [\nabla_{\mathbf{z}}^2 + 2\lambda \psi_1^\dagger(\mathbf{z}) \psi_1(\mathbf{z})] \\ \times g(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}) d^3z = 0. \quad (11)$$

It follows immediately from (11) that the singular character of $g(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ as $\mathbf{y} \rightarrow \mathbf{x}$ is identical to the singular character of $g_{\text{vac}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ as $\mathbf{y} \rightarrow \mathbf{x}$, $g(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}) = g_{\text{vac}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}) = \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} (K^2/4\pi^2)$ by (4). Hence, in order to have a meaningful c -number equation (10), we put

$$m_0 \equiv \frac{1}{2} \lambda g(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}) = \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} (\lambda K^2/8\pi^2). \quad (12)$$

Then the singularity-free spherically symmetric "particle-like" solution to the coupled c -number equations³ (9) and (10) is obtainable in closed form and given exactly by⁴

$$\phi_1 = \pm (3a/\lambda)^{1/2} (|\mathbf{x}|^2 + a^2)^{-1/2}, \quad (13)$$

$$\psi_1 = (3/2\lambda)^{1/2} a (|\mathbf{x}|^2 + a^2)^{-3/2} (i\sigma \cdot \mathbf{x} + a)u, \quad (14)$$

with a denoting a free positive constant of integration, a so-called "homology constant" stemming from the scale (dilatation) invariance of Eqs. (9) and (10) with the condition (12); in (14) u denotes a constant Weyl spinor of unit length, $u^\dagger u = 1$. The final Rayleigh-Ritz equation (11) with (14) is

$$-\int g(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}) [\nabla_{\mathbf{z}}^2 + 3a^2 (|\mathbf{z}|^2 + a^2)^{-2}] g(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}) d^3z \\ = \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}), \quad (15)$$

³ Note that these are just the classical field equations derived from (1) with $\phi = \phi_1(\mathbf{x})$ and $\psi = e^{-im_0 t} \psi_1(\mathbf{x})$.

⁴ G. Rosen, J. Math. Phys. **7**, 2066 (1966).

or equivalently by (8),

$$-\left[\nabla_{\mathbf{x}}^2 + 3a^2(|\mathbf{x}|^2 + a^2)^{-2}\right]\delta(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}) \\ = \int f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})f(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y})d^3z. \quad (16)$$

Introducing the Fourier transforms

$$f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = f_{\text{vac}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \alpha(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}') e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x} - i\mathbf{k}'\cdot\mathbf{y}} d^3k d^3k', \quad (17)$$

$$g(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = g_{\text{vac}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) + \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \frac{\beta(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}')}{|\mathbf{k}||\mathbf{k}'|} \\ \times e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x} - i\mathbf{k}'\cdot\mathbf{y}} d^3k d^3k', \quad (18)$$

we see that the equations obtained from (16) and (8)

$$(|\mathbf{k}| + |\mathbf{k}'|)\alpha(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}') + \frac{3a}{8\pi} e^{-a|\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{k}'|} \\ = - \int \alpha(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'')\alpha(\mathbf{k}'', \mathbf{k}') d^3k'', \quad (19)$$

$$\alpha(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}') + \beta(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}') = - \int \alpha(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}'')\beta(\mathbf{k}'', \mathbf{k}') \frac{d^3k''}{|\mathbf{k}''|} \quad (20)$$

can be solved by an obvious iteration procedure, the first approximation

$$\alpha(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}') \cong -\beta(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}') \cong -\frac{3a}{8\pi} \frac{e^{-a|\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{k}'|}}{(|\mathbf{k}| + |\mathbf{k}'|)} \quad (21)$$

being asymptotic to the exact solution for both $a|\mathbf{k}|$, $a|\mathbf{k}'| \gg 1$.⁵ The energy of the physical one-fermion stationary state can be expressed by evaluating (7)

⁵ Formally more direct but difficult to justify with mathematical rigor, an alternative method for solving (15) or (16) can be based on the fact that the effective Schrödinger potential $-3a^2(|\mathbf{x}|^2 + a^2)^{-2}$ is a smooth singularity-free function which admits no "bound states," the Schrödinger operator $-\left[\nabla_{\mathbf{x}}^2 + 3a^2(|\mathbf{x}|^2 + a^2)^{-2}\right]$ having no eigenfunction with a negative eigenvalue in the space of bounded C^1 piecewise C^2 functions of \mathbf{x} , the nodeless eigenfunction $(|\mathbf{x}|^2 + a^2)^{-1/2}$ possessing the eigenvalue zero. Thus we have the WKB approximations

$$f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \cong \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{|\mathbf{k}| \geq \mu(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})} [|\mathbf{k}|^2 - \mu(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})^2]^{1/2} e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})} d^3k, \\ \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} \cdot \nabla_{\mathbf{y}} g(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \cong \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{|\mathbf{k}| \geq \mu(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})} |\mathbf{k}|^2 [|\mathbf{k}|^2 - \mu(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})^2]^{-1/2} \\ \times e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})} d^3k,$$

where $\mu(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \mu(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x})$ is a certain non-negative real function such that $\mu(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x})^2 = 3a^2(|\mathbf{x}|^2 + a^2)^{-2}$. Substituting these WKB approximations into (7), we obtain

$$E_{\text{one}} = \frac{1}{4} \int \left[\frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{|\mathbf{k}| \geq \mu(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x})} \{ [|\mathbf{k}|^2 - \mu(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x})^2]^{1/2} \right. \\ \left. + |\mathbf{k}|^2 [|\mathbf{k}|^2 - \mu(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x})^2]^{-1/2} \} d^3k \right] d^3x + \frac{9\pi^2}{8\lambda} \\ = \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} \int \left[\frac{K^4}{16\pi^2} + \frac{\mu(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x})^4}{32\pi^2} \ln(2K/\mu(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x})) \right] d^3x + \frac{9\pi^2}{8\lambda} \\ = E_{\text{vac}} + \left(\frac{3}{16} \right)^2 \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} a^{-1} \ln(aK) + \frac{9\pi^2}{8\lambda}$$

which agrees with (24).

with (12), (13), (14), (17), and (18):

$$E_{\text{one}} = E_{\text{vac}} + \frac{1}{4} \int [\alpha(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}) + \beta(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k})] d^3k + \frac{9\pi^2}{8\lambda}, \quad (22)$$

and so the dressed fermion mass value is

$$m \equiv E_{\text{one}} - E_{\text{vac}} = \frac{9\pi^2}{8\lambda} - \frac{1}{4} \int \alpha(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}')\beta(\mathbf{k}', \mathbf{k}) \frac{d^3k'}{|\mathbf{k}'|} \quad (23)$$

in view of (20). Making use of the approximation (21), we finally obtain

$$m = \frac{9\pi^2}{8\lambda} + \left(\frac{3}{16} \right)^2 \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} a^{-1} \ln(aK) \quad (24)$$

for $(aK) \gg 1$. Since the first approximation (21) is asymptotic to the exact solution of Eqs. (19) and (20), Eq. (24) is an exact consequence of the Rayleigh-Ritz approximation theory.

Now all of the equations in the theory remain perfectly regular in the limit $a \rightarrow \infty$, that is, as the homology constant a increases without bound.⁶ In view of the fact that the homology constant is a free parameter in the theory, the result (24) can be made finite by requiring a to manifest a suitable dependence on the cutoff constant K so that $a \rightarrow \infty$ as $K \rightarrow \infty$, say by putting $a \equiv \lambda^2 K$. With such an $a = a(K)$, the finite, positive, dressed fermion mass value $m = 9\pi^2/8\lambda$ is obtained without ambiguity, independent of the infinite, positive, bare-mass constant (12).⁷

⁶ Moreover, a straightforward integration calculation with (6) and (14) shows that the expectation value of the total angular momentum

$$\mathbf{s} = \langle \text{one} | \int \left[\frac{1}{2} \left\{ \mathbf{r} \times \nabla \phi, i \frac{\delta}{\delta \phi} \right\} + \psi^\dagger (-i\mathbf{r} \times \nabla + \frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{\sigma}) \psi \right] \\ \times d^3\mathbf{r} | \text{one} \rangle / \langle \text{one} | \text{one} \rangle \\ = \int \psi_1^\dagger (-i\mathbf{r} \times \nabla + \frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{\sigma}) \psi_1 d^3\mathbf{r} / \int \psi_1^\dagger \psi_1 d^3\mathbf{r} = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{r}^\dagger \boldsymbol{\sigma} \mathbf{r},$$

entirely independent of the value assigned to a , is generally consistent for a spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ particle.

⁷ Of course the strong divergence of the normalization constant N in (6) is a hard-set feature of the theory. With the appropriate displacement-invariant measure (Ref. 2) and the relation obtained from (14) by ordinary integration

$$\int \psi_1^\dagger(\mathbf{x})\psi_1(\mathbf{x})d^3x = \frac{3\pi^2 a}{2\lambda},$$

the normalization condition $\langle \text{one} | \text{one} \rangle = 1$ produces

$$|N|^2 = (3\pi^2 a/2\lambda)\mathfrak{F},$$

where

$$\mathfrak{F} = \int \left\{ \exp \left[- \int \int \omega(\mathbf{x})h(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})\omega(\mathbf{y})d^3x d^3y \right] \right\} \\ \times \prod_{\mathbf{x}} \{ \exp[-\omega(\mathbf{x})^2 d^3x] \} \left(\frac{d^3x}{\pi} \right)^{1/2} \delta\omega(\mathbf{x}),$$

$$h(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \equiv (-\nabla_{\mathbf{x}}^2)^{-1/4} (-\nabla_{\mathbf{y}}^2)^{-1/4} [f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) - f_{\text{vac}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})].$$

Now from the approximate solution (21) with (17) it follows that all iterated kernels constructed from $h(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ [i.e., $\mathcal{J}h(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z})h(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y})d^3z$, etc.] are regular as $\mathbf{y} \rightarrow \mathbf{x}$, and thus the dominant (divergent) terms in \mathfrak{F} are simply the powers of $\mathcal{J}h(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x})d^3x$ as $K \rightarrow \infty$; hence we have

$$\mathfrak{F} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \int h(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x})d^3x \right)^n \\ = \lim_{K \rightarrow \infty} e^{3aK/8}.$$