

TWO WAVE PROPAGATION PROBLEMS
RELATING TO AXION SEARCHES :

- VACUUM BIREFRINGENCE IN A ROTATING
MAGNETIC FIELD
- DETAILED THEORETICAL ANALYSIS OF
"LIGHT SHINING THROUGH A WALL" EXPERIMENTS

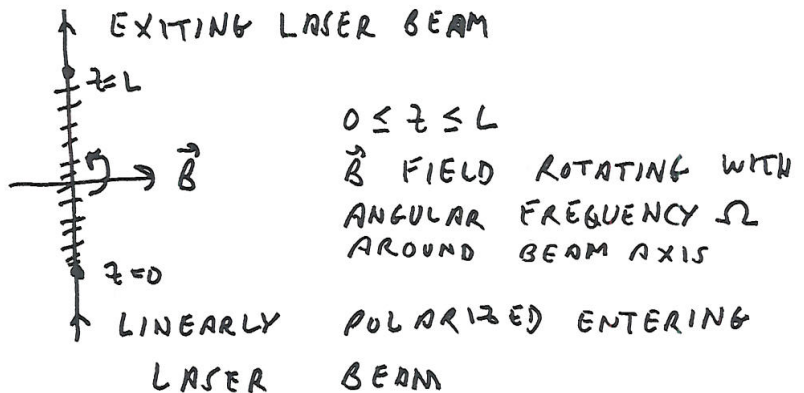
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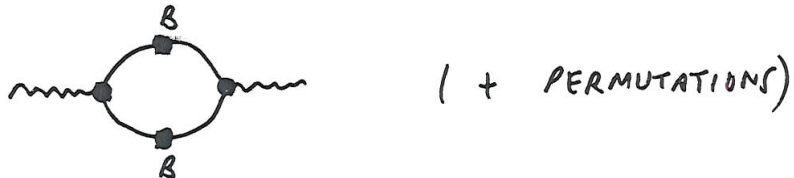
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VACUUM BIRFRINGENCE IN ROTATING
B FIELD

- MOTIVATION: PVLAS EXPERIMENT
B FIELD ON ROTATING TURNABLE



- HEISENBERG - EULER EFFECTIVE LAGRANGIAN



ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVE PROPAGATION IN
EXTERNAL MAGNETIC FIELD

\vec{d} AND \vec{h} FIELDS RELATED TO

\vec{e} AND \vec{b} FIELDS BY \vec{B} -DEPENDENT
POLARIZATION TENSORS

$$d_s = \epsilon_{st} e_t, \quad h_s = \mu_{st}^{-1} b_t$$

$$\epsilon_{st} = \delta_{st} (1 - 2\zeta) + 7\zeta \hat{\beta}_s(x) \hat{\beta}_t(x)$$

$$\mu_{st}^{-1} = \delta_{st} (1 - 2\zeta) - 4\zeta \hat{\beta}_s(x) \hat{\beta}_t(x)$$

$\hat{\beta}_s(x)$ = UNIT VECTOR ALONG MAGNETIC FIELD

$$\zeta = \frac{\alpha^2 \beta^2}{45 \pi m^4}$$

β IN UNRATIONALIZED UNITS

$$\alpha = 1/137.04$$

m = ELECTRON MASS

MAXWELL EQUATIONS ARE

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{d} = \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{e} = -\frac{\partial \vec{b}}{\partial t} \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{h} = \frac{\partial \vec{d}}{\partial t}$$

FOR TIME-INDEPENDENT \vec{B} ,

$$n_{\vec{e} \perp \vec{B}} = (k/\omega)_{\perp} = 1 + 2\zeta$$

$$n_{\vec{e} \parallel \vec{B}} = (k/\omega)_{\parallel} = 1 + \frac{7}{2}\zeta$$

$$\Delta n = \frac{3}{2}\zeta$$

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FOR $z \leq 0$ HAVE UPWARD PROPAGATING
LINEARLY POLARIZED LASER BEAM

$$\vec{e} = \vec{d} = e^{i\bar{\omega}(z-t)} (\cos\theta, \sin\theta, 0)$$

$$\vec{b} = \vec{h} = e^{i\bar{\omega}(z-t)} (-\sin\theta, \cos\theta, 0)$$

IN $0 \leq z \leq L$ HAVE B FIELD PERPENDICULAR
TO z AXIS, ROTATING WITH UNIFORM
ANGULAR VELOCITY Ω

$$\hat{B}(t) = (\cos\Omega t, \sin\Omega t, 0)$$

$$\hat{B}'(t) = \Omega (-\sin\Omega t, \cos\Omega t, 0) = \Omega \hat{z} \times \hat{B}$$

PROBLEM TO SOLVE IS TO CALCULATE
THE UPWARD MOVING TRANSMITTED WAVE
EMERGING AT $z = L$

- BASIC STRATEGY: WAVE MATCHING

USE ORTHONORMAL ROTATING BASIS
 \hat{z} $\hat{x} \times \hat{z}$ \hat{y}

GET PROPAGATION MODES IN ROTATING
MAGNETIC FIELD "MEDIUM"

TRANSFORM INCIDENT WAVE TO ROTATING
BASIS AND MATCH INCIDENT, TRANSMITTED
& REFLECTED WAVES AT $z=0$, $z=L$

WORK TO LEADING ORDER IN SMALL
QUANTITIES ξ , Ω/ω , ΩL

THAT IS: ξ SMALL Ω SMALL

CAN NEGLECT MULTIPLE REFLECTIONS, SO
HAVE INDEPENDENT MATCHING PROBLEMS AT
 $z=0$, $z=L$

ALSO, SUFFICES TO COMPUTE PHASES OF
WAVES TO FIRST ORDER, BUT CORRESPONDING
TRANSMITTED WAVE AMPLITUDES AT MATCHING
POINTS TO ZEROth ORDER (FIRST ORDER IN
THESE WOULD GIVE L -INDEPENDENT POLARIZATION
PARAMETERS)

- ALTERNATIVE STRATEGY: PERTURBATION EXPANSION
IN ξ USING GREEN'S FUNCTIONS

EM WAVE EIGENMODES IN ROTATING FIELD

WRITE

$$\vec{e} = [E_1 \hat{B} + E_2 \hat{z} \times \hat{B}] e^{ikz - i\omega t}$$

$$\vec{b} = [B_1 \hat{B} + B_2 \hat{z} \times \hat{B}] e^{ikz - i\omega t}$$

FROM EQS. FOR \vec{d} , \vec{h} AND MAXWELL EQS.,
GET COUPLED EQS. FOR $E_{1,2}$ AND $B_{1,2}$

$$k E_1 = \omega B_2 + \Omega \wedge B_1$$

$$k \wedge E_2 = -\omega i B_1 - \Omega B_2$$

$$k i B_1 = -\omega (1 + \gamma \epsilon) i E_2 + \Omega E_1$$

$$k B_2 = \omega (1 + \gamma \epsilon) E_1 - \Omega i E_2$$

det = 0 \Rightarrow DISPERSION RELATION

$$[k^2 - \omega^2 (1 + \gamma \epsilon)] [k^2 - \omega^2 (1 + \epsilon \epsilon)] - 2 \Omega^2 (\omega^2 + k^2) + \Omega^4 = 0$$

SOLVE TO GIVE SOLUTIONS k_{\pm} UPWARD MOVING
 $-k_{\pm}$ DOWNWARD MOVING

AND RATIOS $\frac{B_2}{E_1}$, $\frac{E_2}{E_1}$, $\frac{B_1}{E_1}$ FOR EACH MODE

• WAVE MATCHING

$z=0$ INCIDENT WAVE TO
ROTATING FIELD MODES

$z=L$ ROTATING FIELD MODES
TO EXITING WAVE

AFTER MUCH ALGEBRA, GET A SIMPLE
FINAL ANSWER

$$\vec{e}|_{z=L} = e^{i\bar{\omega}(L-t)} (X, Y, 0)$$

$$\vec{b}|_{z=L} = e^{i\bar{\omega}(L-t)} (-Y, X, 0)$$

$$X = \cos\theta \left(1 + \frac{11}{4} i\bar{\omega}L \right) + \frac{3}{4} i\bar{\omega}L \cos(2\Omega t - \theta)$$

$$Y = \sin\theta \left(1 + \frac{11}{4} i\bar{\omega}L \right) + \frac{3}{4} i\bar{\omega}L \sin(2\Omega t - \theta)$$

• POLARIZATION PARAMETERS OF
EXITING WAVE

FOLLOW BORN + WOLF EXPOSITION

WRITE

$$X = a_1 e^{i\delta_1}$$

$$Y = a_2 e^{i\delta_2}$$

$$a_1 = \cos \theta$$

$$a_2 = \sin \theta$$

$$\delta \begin{cases} 1 \\ 2 \end{cases} = \frac{11}{4} \bar{\omega} L \} + \frac{3}{4} \bar{\omega} L \} \begin{cases} \cos(2\Omega t - \theta) / \cos \theta \\ \sin(2\Omega t - \theta) / \sin \theta \end{cases}$$

BORN-WOLF ANGLE α GIVEN BY

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{a_2}{a_1} = \tan \theta$$

\Rightarrow TO FIRST ORDER, NO ROTATION OF POLARIZATION
AXIS OF BEAM

BORN-WOLF ANGLE χ GIVEN BY

$$\sin 2\chi = \sin 2\alpha \sin(\delta_2 - \delta_1) \quad \Rightarrow$$

$$\Psi = \text{ELLIPTICITY} = \tan \chi \approx \chi \approx \frac{1}{2}(\delta_2 - \delta_1) \sin 2\theta$$

$$= -\frac{3}{4} \bar{\omega} L \sin 2(\theta - \Omega t)$$

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$$\text{USING } \bar{\omega} = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \quad \zeta = \frac{2 \Delta n}{3}$$

THUS

$$\Phi = -\frac{\pi L}{\lambda} \Delta n \sin 2(\theta - \Omega A)$$

SO TO FIRST ORDER, ELLIPTICITY IS WHAT ONE CALCULATES ASSUMING THE \hat{B} FIELD TO BE FROZEN AT ITS INSTANTANEOUS POSITION DURING TRAVERSAL BY THE LASER BEAM, USING THE FORMULA FOR ELLIPTICITY CALCULATED FROM VACUUM BIREFRINGENCE IN A STATIC MAGNETIC FIELD - THIS CONFIRMS THE PULSAR GROUP CALCULATION (See also Biswas + Melnikov arXiv: hep-ph/0611345)

WAVE MATCHING, AFTER MUCH ALGEBRA, GIVES A VERY SIMPLE ANSWER - SUGGESTS THERE SHOULD BE ANOTHER WAY TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM

- PERTURBATION METHOD (APPLIES TO A z AND x DEPENDENT MAGNETIC FIELD)

SUBSTITUTE GENERAL ANSATZ


$$\vec{e} = E_1(z,t) \hat{e} + E_2(z,t) \hat{z} \times \hat{e}$$

$$\vec{b} = B_1(z,t) \hat{e} + B_2(z,t) \hat{z} \times \hat{e}$$

AND MAKE A PERTURBATIVE EXPANSION

IN $\{z,t\}$: $E_{1,2} = E_{1,2}^{(0)} + E_{1,2}^{(1)} + \dots$

$$B_{1,2} = B_{1,2}^{(0)} + B_{1,2}^{(1)} + \dots$$



 INCIDENT WAVE ON ROTATING BASIS
 $E_1^{(0)} = e^{i\omega(t-A)} \cos(\theta - \Omega t)$ etc

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ORDER }

GET INHOMOGENEOUS WAVE EQUATIONS FOR $E_{1,2}^{(1)}$:

$$(\partial_z^2 - \partial_x^2) E_{1,2}^{(1)} = I_{1,2}$$

$$I_1 = 7 \{ \partial_x^2 E_1^{(0)} + 12 \partial_x \{ \partial_x E_1^{(0)} + 5 \partial_x^2 \{ E_1^{(0)} - 2 \partial_z \{ \partial_x E_1^{(0)} - 2 \partial_z \partial_x \{ E_1^{(0)} \}$$

$$I_2 = 4 \{ \partial_x^2 E_2^{(0)} + 2 \partial_x \{ \partial_x E_2^{(0)} - 2 \partial_x^2 \{ E_2^{(0)} - 6 \partial_z \{ \partial_x E_2^{(0)} - 6 \partial_z \partial_x \{ E_2^{(0)} \}$$

SOLVE USING GREEN'S FUNCTION $G(z, t)$
FOR 1-DIMENSIONAL WAVE EQUATION WITH
OUTGOING WAVE BOUNDARY CONDITION

$$G(z, t) = -\frac{1}{2} \theta(t - |z|)$$

$$(\partial_z^2 - \partial_x^2) G(z, t) = \delta(z) \delta(t)$$

\Rightarrow

$$E_{1,2}^{(1)}(z, t) = \int_0^L dz' \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt' G(z-z', t-t') I_{1,2}(z', t')$$

WHEN MAGNETIC FIELD IS UNIFORM $0 \leq z \leq L$
AND t -INDEPENDENT, HAVE

$$\partial_z \xi = \bar{\xi} [\delta(z) - \delta(z-L)]$$

$$I_1 = e^{i\bar{\omega}(z-t)} \cos(\theta - \Omega t) [-\gamma \bar{\xi} \bar{\omega}^2 + 2i\bar{\omega} \partial_z \xi]$$

$$I_2 = e^{i\bar{\omega}(z-t)} \sin(\theta - \Omega t) [-\gamma \bar{\xi} \bar{\omega}^2 + 6i\bar{\omega} \partial_z \xi]$$

EVALUATING THE INTEGRAL AT $z=L$ GET

$$E_1|_{z=L} = e^{i\bar{\omega}(z-t)} \cos(\theta - \Omega t) \left(1 + \frac{\gamma}{2} i\bar{\omega} \bar{\xi} L\right)$$

$$E_2|_{z=L} = e^{i\bar{\omega}(z-t)} \sin(\theta - \Omega t) \left(1 + \frac{\gamma}{2} i\bar{\omega} \bar{\xi} L\right)$$

TRANSFORMING TO FIXED BASES GET

$$e^{i\bar{\omega}(z-t)} (X, Y)$$

SAME X, Y AS
BEFORE BY
WAVE-MATCHING

• PVLAS NUMBERS \Rightarrow

$$\Omega L = 0.7 \times 10^{-8}$$

$$2\Omega/\bar{\omega} = 2 \times 10^{-15}$$

ALL VERY SMALL

$$3\{/2 = 10^{-22}$$

HOWEVER, PROPAGATION MODES IN \vec{B} REGION INVOLVE THE SQUARE ROOT

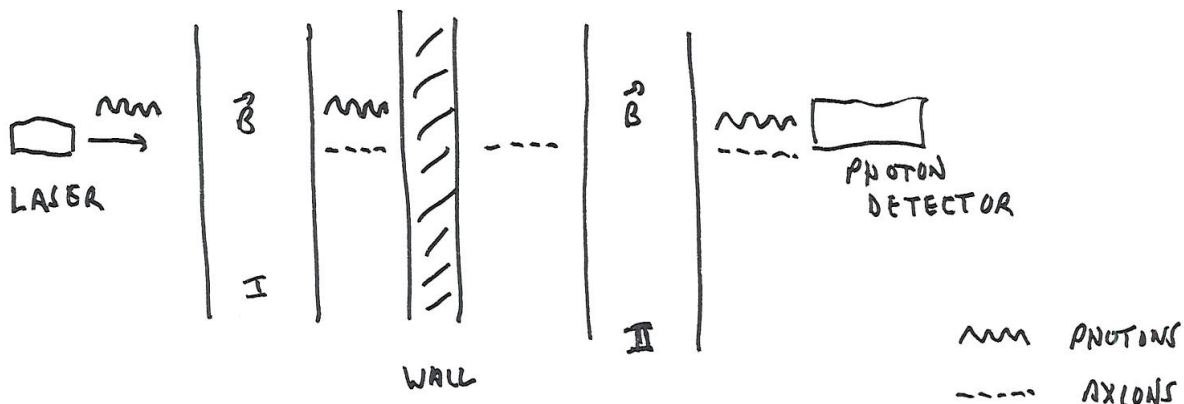
$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{2\Omega}{\bar{\omega}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{3\{ }{2}\right)^2}$$

SO PVLAS IS IN THE LARGE - Ω

REGIME OF THE $\sqrt{\quad}$ AND THE EIGENMODES IN ROTATING FIELD REGION

HOWEVER, ALL DEPENDENCE ON THE $\sqrt{\quad}$ CANCELS IN THE TRANSMITTED WAVE PARAMETERS - DEPENDENCE OF POLARIZATION + ELLIPTICITY ON $\{, \Omega$ IS SMOOTH AROUND ORIGIN IN $\{, \Omega$ PARAMETER PLANE

DETAILED THEORETICAL ANALYSIS OF
"LIGHT SHINING THROUGH A WALL" EXPERIMENTS



\vec{B} REGION I CONVERTS PHOTONS TO AXIONS

WALL ABSORBS PHOTONS; AXIONS GO THROUGH

\vec{B} REGION II CONVERTS AXIONS BACK TO PHOTONS

- THE PROBLEM: GET FORMULAS FOR
 PHOTON \rightarrow AXION
 AXION \rightarrow PHOTON

CONVERSION, ASSUMING NON-ZERO AXION MASS m

- ACTION S

$$S = \int d^4x \left[\underbrace{-\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}}_{\text{FREE PHOTON}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \phi (\partial^2 + m^2) \phi}_{\text{FREE AXION}} + \underbrace{\frac{g}{4} \phi F^{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}_{\mu\nu}}_{\text{AXION-PHOTON COUPLING}} \right]$$

$\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} F^{\alpha\beta}$
 \downarrow
 $\tilde{F}_{\mu\nu}$

TAKE \hat{B} FIELD IN X DIRECTION

AXIS OF PROPAGATION IS z DIRECTION

WRITE $\beta = \int B$ $E_x = \partial_x a$

THEN ACTION IS

$$S = -\frac{1}{2} \int d^4x \left[a \partial_z^2 a + \phi (\partial_z^2 + m^2) \phi - 2\beta \phi \partial_x a \right]$$

⇒ EQUATIONS OF MOTION

$$(\partial_x^2 - \partial_z^2 + m^2) \phi(z, x) = \beta(z) \partial_x a(z, x)$$

$$(\partial_x^2 - \partial_z^2) a(z, x) = -\beta(z) \partial_x \phi(z, x)$$

EVERYTHING FOLLOWS FROM THESE :

- $\phi, a, \partial_z \phi, \partial_z a$ CONTINUOUS ACROSS BOUNDARIES

- CURRENT CONSERVATION

$$\partial_x j_0 + \partial_z j_z = 0$$

$$j_0 = \phi^* \partial_x \phi - \partial_x \phi^* \phi + a^* \partial_x a - \partial_x a^* a + \beta(z) (a^* \phi - \phi^* a)$$

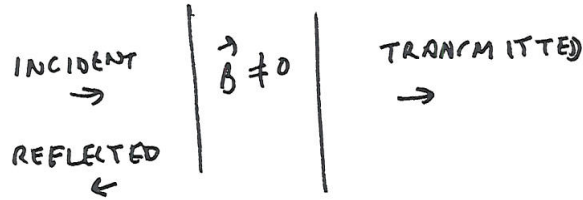
$$j_z = \partial_z \phi^* \phi - \phi^* \partial_z \phi + \partial_z a^* a - a^* \partial_z a$$

IN $\vec{B} = 0$ REGIONS,

$$a \propto e^{\pm i\omega z}$$

$$\phi \propto e^{\pm ikz}$$

$$k = \sqrt{\omega^2 - n^2}$$



$$\phi(z,t) = e^{-i\omega t} (\phi_I e^{ikz} + \phi_R e^{-ikz})$$

$$a(z,t) = e^{-i\omega t} (a_I e^{i\omega z} + a_R e^{-i\omega z})$$

$$\phi(z,t) = e^{-i\omega t} \phi_T e^{ikz}$$

$$a(z,t) = e^{-i\omega t} a_T e^{i\omega z}$$

CURRENT CONSERVATION \Rightarrow UNITARITY RELATION
BETWEEN INCIDENT, REFLECTED, TRANSMITTED
WAVE AMPLITUDES

$$k |\phi_I|^2 + \omega |a_I|^2 = k (|\phi_R|^2 + |\phi_T|^2) + \omega (|a_R|^2 + |a_T|^2)$$

NOW WANT TO CALCULATE ϕ_T , a_T

FOR $\phi_I = 0$, $a_I = 1$, DESCRIBING A
PHOTON BEAM INCIDENT FROM LEFT - USE

- GREEN'S FUNCTION METHOD (SIMPLER)
- WAVE MATCHING METHOD (GIVES ALL ORDERS)

• GREEN'S FUNCTION CALCULATION

WORK TO FIRST ORDER IN $\beta(z)$

EXPAND

$$\phi(z, x) = \phi^{(0)}(z, x) + \phi^{(1)}(z, x) + \dots$$

$$a(z, x) = a^{(0)}(z, x) + a^{(1)}(z, x) + \dots$$

ZEROth ORDER:

$$(\partial_x^2 - \partial_z^2 + m^2) \phi^{(0)}(z, x) = 0$$

$$(\partial_x^2 - \partial_z^2) a^{(0)}(z, x) = 0$$

FIRST ORDER:

$$(\partial_x^2 - \partial_z^2 + m^2) \phi^{(1)}(z, x) = \beta(z) \partial_x a^{(0)}(z, x)$$

$$(\partial_x^2 - \partial_z^2) a^{(1)}(z, x) = -\beta(z) \partial_x \phi^{(0)}(z, x)$$

NEED $G_m(z, x)$ OBEYING

$$(\partial_x^2 - \partial_z^2 + m^2) G_m(z, x) = \delta(z) \delta(x)$$

FOURIER SPACE:

$$G_m(z, x) = -\frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int dk d\omega \frac{e^{i(kz - \omega t)}}{(\omega - \omega_k)(\omega + \omega_k)}$$

$$\omega_k = \sqrt{k^2 + m^2}$$

$\mp \omega_k \rightarrow \mp \omega_k - i\epsilon$ GIVES RETARDED SOLUTION

CLOSING ω CONTOUR UP/DOWN GIVES

$$G_m^R(z, t) = -\Theta(t) \Delta_m(z, t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_m(z, t) &= \frac{i}{2\pi} \int \frac{dk}{\omega_k} \left(e^{i(kz + \omega_k t)} - e^{i(kz - \omega_k t)} \right) \\ &= \int \frac{dk}{2\pi} \frac{\sin(k|z| - \omega_k t)}{\omega_k} \end{aligned}$$

FOR UNIT AMPLITUDE INCIDENT PHOTON,

$$a^{(0)} = e^{i\bar{\omega}(z-t)} \quad \phi^{(0)} = 0$$

USING GREEN'S FUNCTION,

$$\phi^{(1)}(z, t) = -i\bar{\omega} \int_0^L dz' \beta(z') e^{i\bar{\omega}z'} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt' G_m^R(z-z', t-t') e^{-i\bar{\omega}t'}$$

DOING THE t' INTEGRAL WE HAVE

$$\phi^{(1)}(z, t) = -i\bar{\omega} e^{-i\bar{\omega}t} \int_0^L dz' \beta(z') e^{i\bar{\omega}z'}$$

$$\times \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{dk}{2\pi} \frac{e^{ik(z-z')}}{(k - \sqrt{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2})(k + \sqrt{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2})}$$

TO GET $a^{(0)} = 0$ IN INFINITE PAST,

SET $\bar{\omega} \rightarrow \bar{\omega} + i\epsilon$ $\epsilon > 0$ THIS MOVES

THE POLES OFF THE REAL AXIS

FOR $z-z' > 0$ CAN CLOSE k CONTOUR UP
 $z-z' < 0$ " " " DOWN

SO GET TWO PIECES: THE TRANSMITTED
 AND REFLECTED PARTS

$$\phi^{(1)}(z,t) = \phi_{\text{Trans}}^{(1)}(z,t) + \phi_{\text{Reflect}}^{(1)}(z,t)$$

$$\phi_{\text{Trans}}^{(1)}(z,t) = \frac{\bar{\omega}}{2\sqrt{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2}} e^{-i\bar{\omega}t + iz\sqrt{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2}} \times \int_0^z dz' \beta(z') e^{iz'(\bar{\omega} - \sqrt{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2})}$$

$$\phi_{\text{Reflect}}^{(1)}(z,t) = \frac{\bar{\omega}}{2\sqrt{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2}} e^{-i\bar{\omega}t - iz\sqrt{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2}} \times \int_z^L dz' \beta(z') e^{iz'(\bar{\omega} + \sqrt{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2})}$$

NOW TAKE $\beta(z) = \begin{cases} \beta & = \text{CONSTANT } 0 \leq z \leq L \\ 0 & \text{OUTSIDE THIS INTERVAL} \end{cases}$

FIND FOR $z \geq L$:

$$\phi_{\text{Trans}}^{(1)}(z,t) = \frac{\beta \bar{\omega}}{m^2 \sqrt{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2}} e^{i(z\sqrt{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2} - \bar{\omega}t)} e^{i\frac{L}{2}(\bar{\omega} - \sqrt{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2})} \times (\bar{\omega} + \sqrt{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2}) \sin\left(\frac{L}{2}(\bar{\omega} - \sqrt{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2})\right)$$

THIS HAS MODULUS SQUARED

$$|\phi_{\text{Trans}}^{(1)}(z, t)|^2 = \frac{\beta^2}{4} \left(\frac{\bar{\omega}^2}{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2} \right) \left(\bar{\omega} + \sqrt{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2} \right)^2 \\ \times \sin^2 \left(\frac{L}{2} (\bar{\omega} - \sqrt{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2}) \right)$$

UNITARITY $\Rightarrow 1 \geq \frac{k}{\omega} |\phi_{\text{T}}|^2$

OR IN PRESENT NOTATION

$$1 \geq \frac{\sqrt{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2}}{\bar{\omega}} |\phi^{(1)}(z \geq L, t)|^2$$

$$\approx \frac{\beta^2}{m \sqrt{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2}} \sin^2 \left(\frac{mL}{2} \right) \quad \text{FOR } \bar{\omega} \approx m$$

$$\rightarrow \infty \quad \text{AS } \bar{\omega} \rightarrow m!$$

SO THERE IS A THRESHOLD CUSP FOR
AXION MASS $m \neq 0$. WILL HAVE TO DO

AN ALL ORDERS CALCULATION TO SEE
NOW UNITARITY IS RESTORED (THE ∞ IS
JUST AN ARTIFACT OF WORKING ONLY TO
FIRST ORDER.)

RESULT IS DIFFERENT FOR A
 UNIT INCIDENT AXION WAVE WITH NO
 INCIDENT PHOTON : FIND FOR
 TRANSMITTED PHOTON AT $z \geq L$

$$a_{\text{Trans}}^{(1)}(z, t) = -\frac{e}{2} \int_0^L dz' \beta(z') e^{i z' (\sqrt{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2} - \bar{\omega})}$$

NO CUSP (OR DIP) AT $\bar{\omega} \approx m$

• ALL ORDERS CALCULATION - SKETCH

B FIELD IN $0 \leq z \leq L$

$$z \leq 0 \quad \begin{aligned} \phi(z) &= \phi_I e^{ikz} + \phi_R e^{-ikz} \\ a(z) &= a_I e^{i\omega z} + a_R e^{-i\omega z} \end{aligned}$$

$$z \geq L \quad \begin{aligned} \phi(z) &= \phi_T e^{ikz} + \tilde{\phi} e^{-ikz} \\ a(z) &= a_T e^{i\omega z} + \tilde{a} e^{-i\omega z} \end{aligned}$$

LATER IN CALCULATION, WILL IMPOSE

$$\text{CONDITION } \tilde{\phi} = \tilde{a} = 0$$

IN MAGNETIC FIELD REGION, GET

FOUR VALUES $k = \pm k_+ \pm k_-$

$$(k_{\pm})^2 = \omega^2 - \frac{m^2}{2} (1 \mp \sqrt{1+x^2}) \quad x = \frac{2\beta\omega}{m^2}$$

WRITE $\delta = \frac{-x}{1+\sqrt{1+x^2}}$ FIELDS ARE

$$\phi(z) = \delta A_0^+ e^{i\tau k_+} + \delta \bar{\Phi}_0^- e^{i\tau k_-} + \delta a_0^+ e^{-i\tau k_+} + \delta \varphi_0^- e^{-i\tau k_-}$$

$$a(z) = A_0^+ e^{i\tau k_+} + \delta \bar{\Phi}_0^- e^{i\tau k_-} + a_0^+ e^{-i\tau k_+} + \delta \varphi_0^- e^{-i\tau k_-}$$

NOW MATCH AT $z=0 \Rightarrow$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi_I \\ \phi_R \\ a_I \\ a_R \end{pmatrix} = M_{12} \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\Phi}_0^- \\ \varphi_0^- \\ A_0^+ \\ a_0^+ \end{pmatrix}$$

MATCH AT $z=L \Rightarrow$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \bar{\Phi}_0^- \\ \varphi_0^- \\ A_0^+ \\ a_0^+ \end{pmatrix} = M_{34} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_T \\ \tilde{\phi} \\ a_T \\ \tilde{a} \end{pmatrix}$$

COMBINING

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi_I \\ \phi_R \\ a_I \\ a_R \end{pmatrix} = S \begin{pmatrix} \phi_T \\ \tilde{\phi} \\ a_T \\ \tilde{a} \end{pmatrix} \quad S \equiv M_{12} M_{34}$$

S MATRIX ELEMENTS ARE TABULATED
IN PAPER ; MANY SYMMETRIES
GIVE INTERNAL CHECKS ON THE ALGEBRA

CASE OF INCIDENT PHOTON FROM LEFT:

$$\phi_I = 0 \quad \tilde{a} = \tilde{\phi} = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \quad 0 &= S_{11} \phi_T + S_{13} a_T \\ \phi_R &= S_{21} \phi_T + S_{23} a_T \\ 1 &= S_{31} \phi_T + S_{33} a_T \\ a_R &= S_{41} \phi_T + S_{43} a_T \end{aligned}$$

EASILY SOLVED TO GIVE THE
TRANSMITTED AND REFLECTED AMPLITUDES :

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$$\phi_T = \frac{s_{13}}{D} \quad a_T = -\frac{s_{11}}{D}$$

$$\phi_R = \frac{s_{21}s_{13} - s_{23}s_{11}}{D} \quad a_R = \frac{s_{31}s_{13} - s_{33}s_{11}}{D}$$

$$D = s_{13}s_{31} - s_{11}s_{33}$$

- LEADING ORDER IN $x = 2\omega\beta/m^2$

RECOVER GREEN'S FUNCTION EXPRESSIONS

- ω NEAR THRESHOLD

FIND CUSP SHAPE NEAR $\omega \approx m$

$$|\phi_T|^2 \approx \frac{\sin^2(\frac{1}{2}mL)}{\left(\frac{|\beta|}{m} \sin^2(\frac{1}{2}mL) + \frac{k}{|\beta|}\right)^2 + \frac{|\beta|^2}{4m^2} (\sin(mL) - mL)^2}$$

$$\frac{k}{m} |\phi_T|^2 \leq \frac{\frac{k}{m} \sin^2(\frac{1}{2}mL)}{\left(\frac{|\beta|}{m} \sin^2(\frac{1}{2}mL) + \frac{k}{|\beta|}\right)^2} \leq \frac{1}{4}$$

USING (FOR $s, x > 0$) $\frac{sx}{(s+x)^2} = \frac{1}{4} \frac{(s+x)^2 - (s-x)^2}{(s+x)^2} \leq \frac{1}{4}$

WHEN $mL \gg 1$, $\sin^2(\frac{1}{2} mL)$ HAS TO
BE EVALUATED AS AN AVERAGE OF

$$\sin^2\left(\frac{1}{2} L (\omega - \sqrt{\omega^2 - m^2})\right) \approx \sin^2\left(\frac{1}{2} L (m - \sqrt{2m(\omega - m)})\right)$$

WHEN THERE ARE MANY OSCILLATIONS IN AN
INTERVAL OF WIDTH Δ NEAR THRESHOLD,

$$\langle \sin^2 \dots \rangle \rightarrow 1/2$$

$$\langle \sin^4 \dots \rangle \rightarrow 3/8$$

AVERAGE PHOTON TRANSMISSION PROBABILITY
IN "LIGHT SHINING THROUGH A WALL" IS,
IN INTERVAL $m \leq \omega \leq m + \Delta$ NEAR
THRESHOLD,

$$\bar{P} \equiv \frac{1}{\Delta} \int_m^{m+\Delta} d\omega P(\omega) \approx \frac{\beta^4}{2\Delta m^3} \langle \sin^4 \dots \rangle \log\left(\frac{2m^3 \Delta}{\beta^4}\right)$$

NO INCREASE WITH L !

↑
FROM LOWER CUTOFF
PROVIDED BY ALL ORDERS
CALCULATION

(SINCE $\frac{\beta^4}{\Delta m^3} \ll 1$, \log IS POSITIVE, AS

$\Delta \rightarrow 0$, HAVE TO USE OSCILLATORY FORMULA FOR $\sin^4 \dots$)

• IS THE CUSP USEFUL?

NOT CLEAR RECALL

$$|\phi_{\text{Trans}}^{(1)}|^2 = \frac{\beta^2}{m^4} \left(\frac{\bar{\omega}^2}{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2} \right) (\bar{\omega} + \sqrt{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2})^2$$

$$\times \sin^2 \left(\frac{L}{2} \frac{m^2}{\bar{\omega} + \sqrt{\bar{\omega}^2 - m^2}} \right)$$

→
 $\frac{\beta^2}{m^4} \frac{L^2}{4} m^2 = \frac{1}{4} \beta^2 L^2$
 $\bar{\omega}$ NOT NEAR 0

$$\bar{P} \approx \frac{1}{16} \beta^4 L^4 \quad \text{AWAY FROM CUSP}$$

$$\bar{P} \approx \frac{3}{16} \beta^4 \frac{1}{\Delta m^3} \log \left(\frac{2 m^3 \Delta}{\beta^4} \right) \quad \text{CUSP}$$

SO TRADEOFF COMPARISON IS

$$L^4 \Leftrightarrow \frac{3}{\Delta m^3} \log \left(\frac{2 m^3 \Delta}{\beta^4} \right)$$

FOR NARROW ENOUGH LASER BANDWIDTHS,

CUSP COULD BE USEFUL