

Muon Precession

Magnetic Moment of Dirac Particle

Dirac eq. in electro-magnetic field $A^\mu = (\phi, A_i)$

$$[\gamma^\mu(i\partial_\mu - qA_\mu) - m]\psi = 0, \text{ where } \partial_\mu = (\partial_t, \partial_i)$$

$$(\gamma^0 i\partial_t + \gamma^i i\partial_i - q\gamma^0 \phi + q\gamma^i A_i - m)\psi = 0$$

$$(i\partial_t - q\phi)\psi = \{\gamma^0 \gamma^i (-i\partial_i - qA_i) + \gamma^0 m\}\psi$$

Note $\gamma^0 \gamma^i = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} & \sigma_i \\ -\sigma_i & \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} & \sigma_i \\ \sigma_i & \end{pmatrix}$. Then we obtain

$$(i\partial_t - q\phi)\psi = \begin{pmatrix} m & \sigma_i(-i\partial_i - qA_i) \\ \sigma_i(-i\partial_i - qA_i) & -m \end{pmatrix} \psi$$

$$(i\partial_t - q\phi - m)u = \sigma_i(-i\partial_i - qA_i)v$$

$$(i\partial_t - q\phi + m)v = \sigma_i(-i\partial_i - qA_i)u$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} (i\partial_t - q\phi + m)(i\partial_t - q\phi - m)u &= (i\partial_t - q\phi + m)\sigma_i(-i\partial_i - qA_i)v \\ &= \sigma_i\{(-i\partial_i - qA_i)(i\partial_t - q\phi + m) - iq[[\partial_t A_i] - iq[[\partial_i \phi]]]\}v \\ &= \sigma_i\{(-i\partial_i - qA_i)(i\partial_t - q\phi + m) + iqE_i\}v \\ &= \sigma_i(-i\partial_i - qA_i)\sigma_j(-i\partial_j - qA_j)u + iq\sigma_i E_i v \end{aligned}$$

Remind $\partial f = [[\partial f]] + f\partial$, $f\partial = \partial f - [[\partial f]]$, and $E_i = -\partial_i \phi - \partial_t A_i$

Suppose $E_i = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} (i\partial_t - q\phi + m)(i\partial_t - q\phi - m)u &= \sigma_i \sigma_j (-i\partial_i - qA_i)(-i\partial_j - qA_j)u \\ &= (\delta_{ij} + i\sigma_k \epsilon_{ijk})(-i\partial_i - qA_i)(-i\partial_j - qA_j)u \\ &= \left(-i\vec{\nabla} - q\vec{A}\right)^2 u - q\sigma_k \epsilon_{ijk} \{\partial_i (A_j u) + A_i \partial_j u\} \\ &= \left(-i\vec{\nabla} - q\vec{A}\right)^2 u - q\sigma_k \epsilon_{ijk} [[\partial_i A_j]]u \\ &= \left(-i\vec{\nabla} - q\vec{A}\right)^2 u - q\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{B}u \end{aligned}$$

For non-relativistic particle, suppose $(i\partial_t - q\phi + m)u \sim 2mu$

$$2m(i\partial_t - q\phi - m)u = \left(-i\vec{\nabla} - q\vec{A}\right)^2 u - q\vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{B}u$$

$$(i\partial_t - q\phi - m)u = \frac{1}{2m} \left(-i\vec{\nabla} - q\vec{A}\right)^2 u - \frac{q}{2m} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{B}u$$

$$i\partial_t u = \left\{ \frac{1}{2m} \left(-i\vec{\nabla} - q\vec{A}\right)^2 - \frac{q}{2m} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{B} + q\phi + m \right\} u$$

Found the potential term by \vec{B} to be $U = -\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{B} = -\frac{q}{2m} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{B}$, i.e.

$$\vec{\mu} = \frac{q}{2m} \vec{\sigma} = g \frac{q}{2m} \vec{s},$$

where $\vec{s} = \vec{\sigma}/2$, and $g = 2$

If the magnetic moment and the spin originate from a rotational movement of charge q and mass m ,

$$\vec{\mu} = \frac{1}{2} \int_C \vec{x} \times \vec{J}(\vec{x}) dl,$$

where C is a circle with radius r , and $\vec{J} = \rho \vec{v} = \frac{q}{2\pi r} \vec{v}$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{\mu} &= \frac{1}{2} \int_C \vec{x} \times \vec{J}(\vec{x}) dl = \frac{1}{2} \int_C \vec{x} \times \frac{q}{2\pi r} \vec{v} dl \\ &= \frac{q}{2m} \int_C \frac{m}{2\pi r} \vec{x} \times \vec{v} dl \\ &= \frac{q}{2m} \vec{L} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, found

$$g = 1$$

Precession

Now we take $q = -e$

$$i \frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = H u = -\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{B} u = g \frac{e}{2m} \frac{\vec{\sigma}}{2} \cdot \vec{B} u$$

Suppose $\vec{B} = (B, 0, 0)$, $u = \begin{pmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{\xi} \\ \dot{\eta} \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i\omega/2 \\ i\omega/2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{pmatrix} \quad \omega = \frac{geB}{2m}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \ddot{\xi} \\ \ddot{\eta} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i\omega/2 \\ i\omega/2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^2 \begin{pmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{pmatrix} = - \left(\frac{\omega}{2}\right)^2 \begin{pmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A \cos\left\{\frac{\omega}{2}(t - t_0)\right\} \\ -i A \sin\left\{\frac{\omega}{2}(t - t_0)\right\} \end{pmatrix}$$

Requiring $u^\dagger u = 1$ and $u(t=0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \xi \\ \eta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\left(\frac{\omega}{2}t\right) \\ -i \sin\left(\frac{\omega}{2}t\right) \end{pmatrix}$$

For muon case

Use $m = 106 \text{ MeV}/c^2$,

$$\omega/B = \frac{e}{m} = \frac{(3 \times 10^8)^2}{106 \times 10^6} = 8.5 \times 10^8 \text{ rad}/(s \cdot T) = 13.5 \text{ kHz/gauss} \quad (1T = 10^4 \text{ gauss})$$

The period T

$$T \cdot B = 74 \mu s \cdot \text{gauss}$$

$$T = 1 \mu s \text{ for } \sim 75 \text{ gauss}$$

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