

326(8): General Quantization Scheme

Consider the Einstein energy equation:

$$E^2 = p^2 c^2 + m^2 c^4 \quad - (1)$$

where

$$E = H - U \quad - (2)$$

Here E is the total relativistic energy:

$$E = \gamma m c^2 \quad - (3)$$

p is the relativistic momentum:

$$p = \gamma m v \quad - (4)$$

and U the potential energy. The Lagrangian is:

$$L = -\frac{mc^2}{\gamma} - U \quad - (5)$$

so

$$E = H + L + \frac{mc^2}{\gamma} \quad - (6)$$

Eq. (1) can be expressed either as:

1)

$$E^2 - m^2 c^4 = p^2 c^2 \quad - (7)$$

or:

2)

$$E^2 - p^2 c^2 = m^2 c^4 \quad - (8)$$

Eq. (7) leads to:

$$E - mc^2 = \frac{p^2 c^2}{E + mc^2} \quad - (9)$$

2) and eq. (8) leads to:

$$E - pc = \frac{m^2 c^4}{E + pc} \quad - (10)$$

B.t eqs. (9) and (10) lead to a large variety of new effects.

To date in the UFT series only eq. (9) has been developed, using the Dirac approximation. B.t eqs (9) and (10) can be developed in terms of the Lagrangian, so a number of new effects can be inferred from the Euler Lagrange equations. In these developments E is always defined by:

$$\boxed{E = H - U = H + \mathcal{L} + \frac{mc^2}{\gamma} \quad - (11)}$$

$$= \gamma mc^2$$

and in general:

$$p^2 = \gamma^2 m^2 v_0^2 \quad - (12)$$

where v_0 is the observer frame velocity of a particle.

Eq. (1) can be written as:

$$p^\mu p_\mu = m^2 c^2 \quad - (13)$$

3) where:

$$p^\mu = \left(\frac{E}{c}, \underline{p} \right) \quad - (14)$$

and

$$p_\mu = \left(\frac{E}{c}, -\underline{p} \right) \quad - (15)$$

and Schrodinger quantization can be applied as follows:

$$p^\mu = i\hbar \partial^\mu \quad - (16)$$

where

$$\partial^\mu = \left(\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}, -\underline{\nabla} \right) \quad - (17)$$

and

$$\partial_\mu = \left(\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}, \underline{\nabla} \right) \quad - (18)$$

Therefore the relativistic momentum is quantized as:

$$\underline{p} \psi = -i\hbar \underline{\nabla} \psi \quad - (19)$$

and the relativistic energy by:

$$E \psi = i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} \quad - (20)$$

Scheme One

This is the quantization of eq. (9). The rigorous quantization is carried out with:

$$E = \gamma mc^2 \quad - (21)$$

so

$$mc^2 (\gamma - 1) = \frac{p^2 c^2}{mc^2 (\gamma + 1)} \quad - (22)$$

so $p^2 c^2 \psi = (\gamma^2 - 1) m^2 c^4 \psi \quad (23)$

which $\gamma = \left(1 - \frac{v_0^2}{c^2}\right)^{-1/2} \quad (24)$

where $p^2 = \gamma^2 m^2 v_0^2 \quad (25)$

Therefore: $\gamma^2 = 1 + \left(\frac{p}{mc}\right)^2 \quad (26)$

and

$$\boxed{\frac{p^2}{2m} \psi = \frac{mc^2}{2} (\gamma^2 - 1) \psi} \quad (27)$$

In the non relativistic limit:

$$\frac{p^2}{2m} = mc^2 \left(\left(1 - \frac{v_0^2}{c^2}\right)^{-1} - 1 \right) \quad (28)$$

$$\xrightarrow{v_0 \ll c} \frac{1}{2} m v_0^2$$

QED. Eq. (27) is equivalent to:

$$\frac{p^2}{2m} \psi = \frac{mc^2}{2} \left(\frac{E^2}{m^2 c^4} - 1 \right) \psi \quad (29)$$

(which is a quantized version of eq(1), QED.)

5) Eq. (29) can be developed with:

$$E = H - U \quad - (30)$$

so:

$$\frac{p^2}{2m} \psi = \frac{mc^2}{2} \left(\frac{(H-U)^2}{m^2 c^4} - 1 \right) \psi \quad - (31)$$

$$= (H - U - mc^2) \left(\frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{H-U}{mc^2} \right) \right) \psi$$

so

$$\left(\frac{p^2}{m} \left(1 + \frac{H-U}{mc^2} \right)^{-1} + U \right) \psi = (H - mc^2) \psi \quad - (32)$$

i.e

$$\left(\frac{p^2}{m} \left(1 + \frac{E}{mc^2} \right)^{-1} + U \right) \psi = (H - mc^2) \psi \quad - (33)$$

or

$$\left(\frac{p^2}{m} (1 + \gamma)^{-1} + U \right) \psi = H_1 \psi \quad - (34)$$

where

$$H_1 := H - mc^2 \quad - (35)$$

Eq. (34) is the Schrödinger equation:

$$\left(\frac{p^2}{2m} + U \right) \psi = H_1 \psi \quad - (36)$$

in the limit $\gamma \rightarrow 1 \quad - (37)$

b) Eq. (34) is the relativistic Schrodinger equation in rigorous form, QED. Therefore:

$$\frac{p^2}{2m} \rightarrow \frac{p^2}{m(1+\gamma)} \quad - (38)$$

where:

$$\gamma^2 = 1 + \left(\frac{p}{mc} \right)^2 = \frac{E^2}{m^2 c^4} \quad - (39)$$

so

$$H\psi = \left(\frac{p^2}{m \left(1 + \frac{E}{mc^2} \right)} + U \right) \psi \quad - (40)$$

where

$$E = H - U \quad - (41)$$

Eq. (40) is particularly useful & discussed in previous AFT papers. Here it has been derived rigorously. The approximation used by Dirac is:

$$H = E + U \sim mc^2 \quad - (42)$$

so

$$\frac{U}{mc^2} \ll 1 \quad - (43)$$

and

$$\gamma \rightarrow 1 \quad - (44)$$

However the rigorous result is:

$$1) \quad H_1 \psi := (H - mc^2) \psi = \left(\frac{p^2}{m \left(1 + \frac{H}{mc^2} - \frac{U}{mc^2} \right)} + U \right) \psi \quad - (45)$$

where H is a constant of motion:

$$\frac{dH}{dt} = 0 \quad - (46)$$

The above quantization is equivalent to:

$$\frac{p^2}{2m} = (H - U - mc^2) \left(\frac{E + mc^2}{2mc^2} \right) \quad - (47)$$

This reduces to the Schrodinger equation:

$$\frac{p^2}{2m} \psi = (H - U - mc^2) \psi \quad - (48)$$

$$a) \quad E \rightarrow mc^2, \quad \gamma \rightarrow 1 \quad - (49)$$

$$\text{Using:} \quad E = \gamma mc^2 \quad - (50)$$

it is found that:

$$H - U - mc^2 = \left(\frac{2}{1 + \gamma} \right) \frac{p^2}{2m} = \frac{p^2}{(1 + \gamma)m} \quad - (51)$$

So:

$$H_1 = H - mc^2 = \frac{p^2}{(1+\gamma)m} + \bar{U} \quad - (52)$$

where $\gamma = \left(1 - \frac{v_0^2}{c^2}\right)^{-1/2} \quad - (53)$

The Schrodinger equation is therefore modified to:

$$\left(\left(\frac{2}{1+\gamma} \right) \frac{p^2}{2m} + \bar{U} \right) \psi = (H - mc^2) \psi \quad - (54)$$

where:

$$p^2 = -\hbar^2 \nabla^2 \quad - (55)$$

Therefore:

$$\left(\frac{p^2}{2m} + \frac{1}{2}(1+\gamma)\bar{U} \right) \psi \quad - (56)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(1+\gamma)(H - mc^2) \psi$$

Now use:

$$\frac{1}{2}(1+\gamma)\bar{U} = \bar{U} + \frac{1}{2}(\gamma-1)\bar{U} \quad - (57)$$

$$\quad \quad \quad - (58)$$

and

$$\frac{1}{2}(1+\gamma)(H - mc^2) = (H - mc^2) + \frac{1}{2}(\gamma-1)(H - mc^2)$$

Eq. (56) is therefore:

$$\quad \quad \quad - (59)$$

$$\left(\frac{p^2}{2m} + \bar{U} \right) \psi = (H - mc^2) \psi$$

$$+ \left[\frac{1}{2}(1-\gamma)\bar{U} + \frac{1}{2}(\gamma-1)(H - mc^2) \right] \psi$$

) i.e.

$$\left(\frac{p^2}{2m} + U\right)\psi = (H - mc^2)\psi + \frac{1}{2}(\gamma - 1)[H - mc^2 - U]\psi \quad - (60)$$

This reduces to the Schrodinger equation when $\gamma \rightarrow 1$ - (61)

Q.E.D

In the usual notation of the Schrodinger equation:

$$E_{\text{total}} = H - mc^2 \quad - (62)$$

where E_{total} is the total energy. So:

$$\left(\frac{p^2}{2m} + U\right)\psi = E_{\text{total}}\psi + \frac{1}{2}(\gamma - 1)(E_{\text{total}} - U)\psi \quad - (63)$$

The energy levels of the H atom are given by:

$$U = -\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r} \quad - (64)$$

s. the energy levels are shifted by:

$$E_{\text{total}} \rightarrow E_{\text{total}} + \frac{1}{2}(\gamma - 1)\left(E_{\text{total}} + \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}\right)$$

- (65)

10) This means that:

$$E_{\text{total}} \rightarrow E_{\text{total}} + \frac{1}{2} (\gamma - 1) \frac{p^2}{2m} \quad - (66)$$

Finally express this equation in terms of V_0 , and V_0 can be measured through the energy shifts of the H atom due to special relativity.

$$E_{\text{total}} \rightarrow E_{\text{total}} + \frac{m^2 V_0^2}{4} \left(\left(1 - \frac{V_0^2}{c^2} \right)^{-1/2} - 1 \right) \quad - (67)$$

So the expectation value can be found for each orbital of the H atom:

$$\left\langle \frac{m^2 V_0^2}{4} \left(\left(1 - \frac{V_0^2}{c^2} \right)^{-1/2} - 1 \right) \right\rangle$$

$$= \int \psi^* \frac{m^2 V_0^2}{4} \left(\left(1 - \frac{V_0^2}{c^2} \right)^{-1/2} - 1 \right) \psi d\tau \quad - (68)$$

$$= \frac{m^2 V_0^2}{4} \left(\left(1 - \frac{V_0^2}{c^2} \right)^{-1/2} - 1 \right) \int \psi^* \psi d\tau$$

The relativistic velocity v of the electron

ii) in each orbital of the H atom is:

$$v = v_0 \left(1 - \frac{v_0^2}{c^2} \right)^{-1/2} \quad (69)$$

Scheme 2

From eqn (9):

$$H - U - mc^2 = \frac{p^2 c^2}{H - U + mc^2} \quad (70)$$

and in Dirac approximation:

$$H = \gamma mc^2 + U \rightarrow mc^2 \quad (71)$$

where $\gamma \rightarrow 1$, and $U \ll E \quad (72)$

So $H - mc^2 = \frac{c^2 p^2}{2mc^2 - U} + U \quad (73)$

$$= \frac{p^2}{2m} \left(1 - \frac{U}{2mc^2} \right)^{-1} + U$$

i.e. $(H - mc^2) \psi = \left(-\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2}{2m} \left(1 + \frac{U}{2mc^2} \right) + U \right) \psi \quad (74)$

So: $\left(-\frac{\hbar^2 \nabla^2}{2m} + U \right) \psi = E_{\text{tot}} \psi + \frac{\hbar^2}{4mc^2} \nabla^2 (U \psi) \quad (75)$

and the energy levels of the H atom are shifted by the

(2) second term on the right hand side.

We have:

$$\nabla (U\psi) = U\nabla\psi + \psi\nabla U \quad (76)$$

and:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla^2 (U\psi) &= \nabla (U\nabla\psi + \psi\nabla U) \quad (77) \\ &= U\nabla^2\psi + 2\nabla U \cdot \nabla\psi + \psi\nabla^2 U \end{aligned}$$

The corrections to the energy levels have expectation values:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Delta E_{tot} \rangle &= -\frac{\hbar^2}{4m^2c^2} \left(\int \psi^* U \nabla^2 \psi d\tau + \int \psi^* (\nabla^2 U) \psi d\tau \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 2 \int \psi^* \nabla U \cdot \nabla \psi d\tau \right) \quad (78) \end{aligned}$$

and these can be evaluated with the assumption that the hydrogenic wave functions can be used.

Quantization Scheme Three

This is based on eq. (10):

$$\boxed{H - U - pc = \frac{m^2 c^4}{H - U + pc}} \quad (79)$$

and will be developed in the next note.