

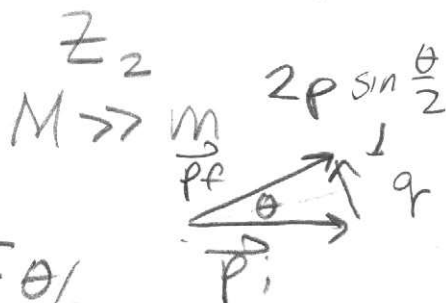
# Scattering and Structure ( $\Rightarrow$ LHC)

Rutherford (~1910)

$E \sim$  several MeV,  $\beta \sim \frac{1}{20}$   
 $\alpha$ ,  $Z_1 = 2$ ,  $p_i$   
 $m \approx 4$  nucleons



Target



$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{Z_1^2 Z_2^2 e^4}{4 p^2 v^2} \frac{1}{\sin^4 \theta/2}$$

consequence of  $\frac{1}{r}$  potential  $\propto \frac{1}{q^4}$

Evidence for non-zero size of nuclei. You should just know

$$r_{\text{Nucleus}} \sim (1.2 \text{ fm}) A^{1/3} \quad \text{1920's}$$

↑  
atomic weight

How was this first deduced?

"Chapter 2" of Rutherford Scattering...

Distance of "closest approach"  
smallest is... impact parameter = 0

$$\frac{1}{2} \mu V^2 = \frac{Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{r_{\min}}$$

reduced mass

$$r_{\min} = 2 \frac{Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{\mu V^2}$$

$$= 2 Z_1 Z_2 \frac{e^2}{\hbar c} \left( \frac{c}{V} \right) \frac{\hbar c}{\mu c^2 (V/c)}$$

$$r_{\min} = 2 Z_1 Z_2 \propto \frac{1}{\beta} \lambda$$

comment

$r_{\min} \geq \lambda$  ?



$\lambda$  de Broglie

~ given by surces  
until ~ 1930

to make

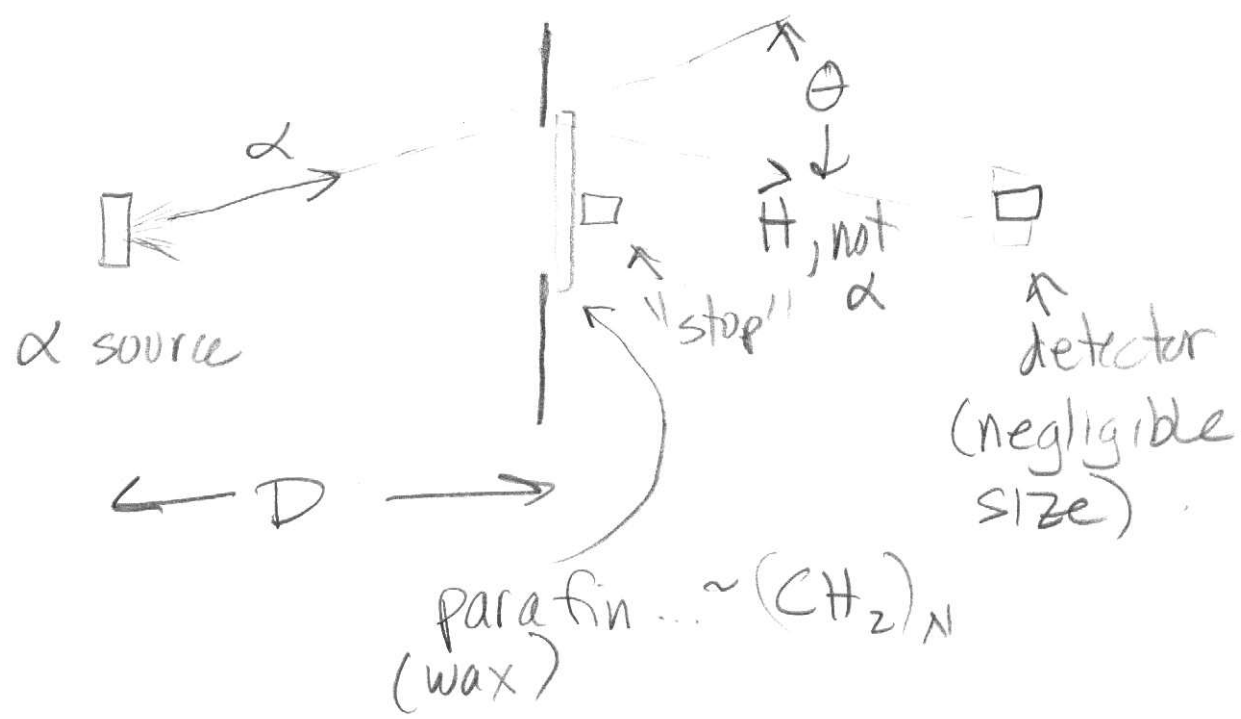
$r_{\min}$  small, minimize  $Z_2$

⇒ Just the opposite of "Classical"  
Rutherford...

$Z_2 = 1$ , hydrogen.

Kinematics very different

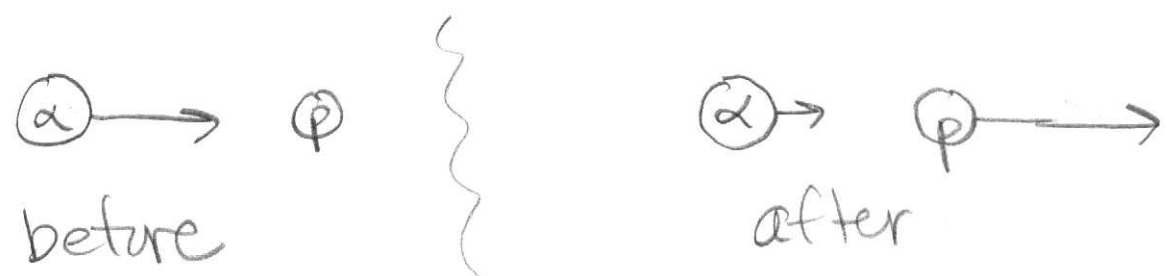
# Experiment (Rutherford ~ 1919)



$\alpha + C \rightarrow C$  doesn't escape

$\alpha + H \rightarrow \alpha + \text{fast } H$  is point of experiment

"Best" case for probing nuclear structure...  $\theta$  small



$\theta = 0$

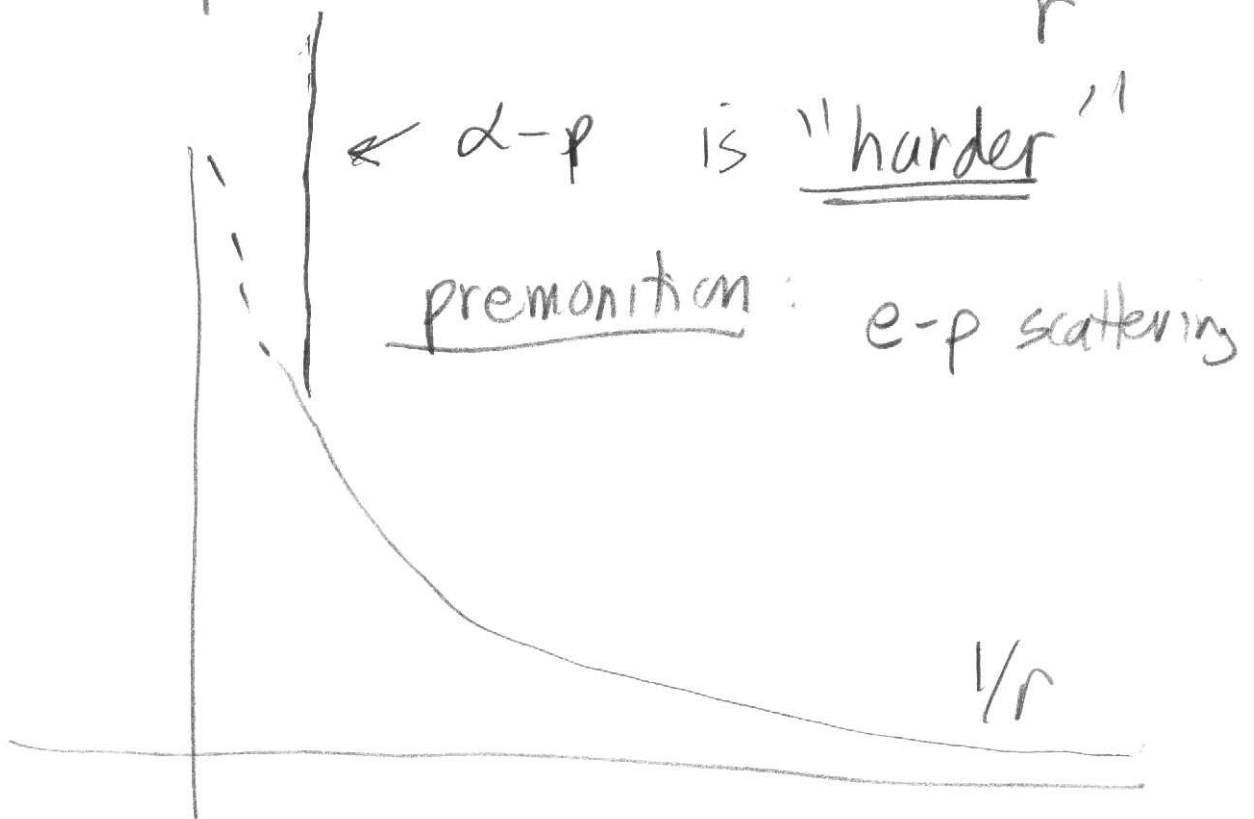
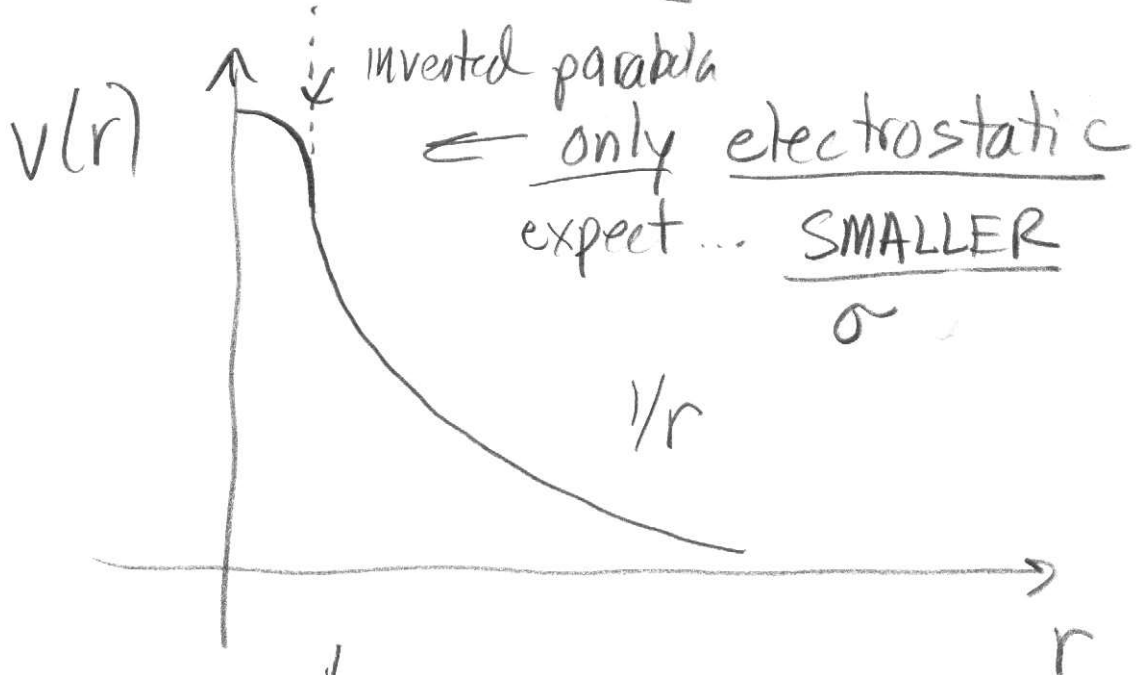
"most probing..."

More kinematics  $\rightarrow$  problems

# View Plot

Comments:  $B' =$  pure electrostatic  
point charge

→ ball of charge (?)



Confusion :  $\alpha$ -p : harder potential

p. 264 Fig. 74  $\rightarrow$   $\alpha$ -He : "

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$\alpha$  as probe : problem is, has strong interactions  
"closed shell"

Other probes : electron (Hofstadter Nuclear structure F.K.T quarks)

Hofstadter  $\rightarrow$  (no strong)  $V(r) \propto 1/r$

Complex  $\rightarrow$  neutron (make  $\lambda$  smaller) (short-range)

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neutrino ideal (low stats)

$V(r) \propto \delta(r)$

WIMPs (Dark Matter)

$V(r) \propto \delta(r)$

# Neutron - Nucleus Scattering

Potential short range, ~ 1 fm  
Like Light encountering a "cloudy sphere" ... see figures...

"Diffraction" → note that central lobe gets narrower as A increases

→ note ~ 2-3 orders of magnitude from central peak

kind of Fourier transform to first minimum

# Electron - Nucleus (1950's)

→ Experiment diagram → elastic/inelastic

→ Peak to valley ≈ 10 orders

→  $1/q^4$  nature of Coulomb field.

→ idea of inelastic scattering

→ nucleus shape (electric charge) spherical

## Electron-Proton

Proton: (a) spinless, point.

(b) spin  $-\frac{1}{2}$ , Dirac ( $g=2$ )

(c) spin  $-\frac{1}{2}$ , anomalous ( $g > 2$ )  
 $\sim 5.5$

(d) charge spread out.

Proton  
 $F_1 / F_2$ :  $F_1$ : dirac-like. } note,  
 $F_2$ : anomalous. }  $1/q^4$   
 gone

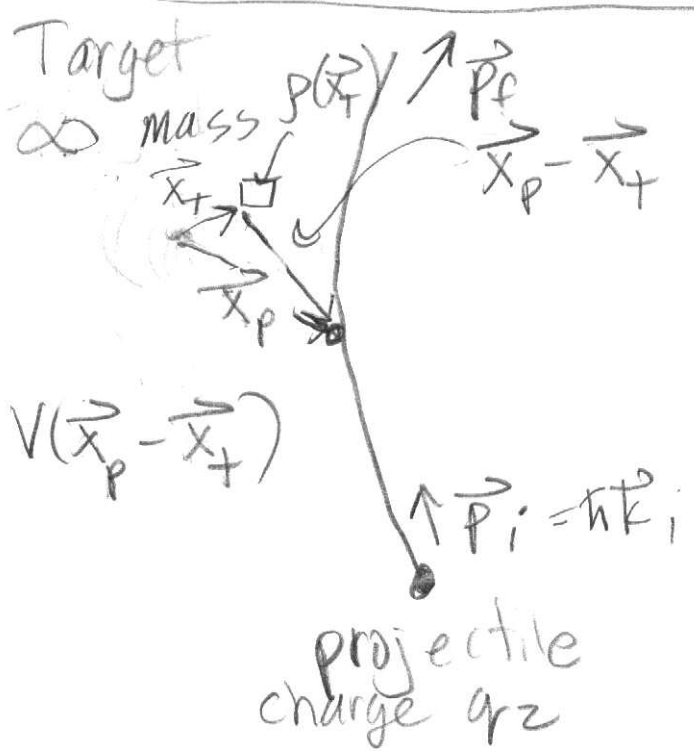
Deut: "Fermi" momentum

neutron:  $F_{zn} = \text{moment}$ .

$F_{in} = \text{dirac-like}$

"sandwich" + - +

# Probing Nuclei/Particles/etc. Via Scattering (Elastic)



$$\vec{k}_f = \frac{1}{\hbar} \vec{p}_f$$

density of scatterers

$$\rho(\vec{x}_T) \leftarrow \text{"form factor"}$$

$$\int \rho(\vec{x}_T) d^3x = 1$$

Fermi's Golden Rule ..

$$\rightarrow W = \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} |M_{if}|^2 \rho_f$$

↑
↑
↑

transition matrix element
density of states

transition Rate

- experimentally, always important.



M<sub>if</sub> :  $\langle f | \tilde{H} | i \rangle$

$|i\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{V}} e^{-i\vec{k}_i \cdot \vec{x}_p}$ ,  $|f\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{V}} e^{-i\vec{k}_f \cdot \vec{x}_p}$

V: quantization volume  $\vec{p}_i = \hbar \vec{k}_i$   
 $\vec{p}_f = \hbar \vec{k}_f$

$$M_{if} = \frac{q^2}{V} \int d^3x_p d^3x_+ e^{-i\vec{k}_f \cdot \vec{x}_p} \rho(\vec{x}_+) V(\vec{x}_p - \vec{x}_+) e^{i\vec{k}_i \cdot \vec{x}_p}$$

$$= \frac{q^2}{V} \int d^3x_p e^{i(\vec{k}_i - \vec{k}_f) \cdot \vec{x}_p} \tilde{f}(\vec{x}_p)$$

$\tilde{f}(\vec{x}_p) = \int d^3x_+ \rho(\vec{x}_+) V(\vec{x}_p - \vec{x}_+)$

$\rho(\vec{x}_+) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int d^3\alpha \tilde{\rho}(\vec{\alpha}) e^{i\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{x}_+}$

$V(\vec{x}_p - \vec{x}_+) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int d^3\beta \tilde{V}(\vec{\beta}) e^{i\vec{\beta} \cdot (\vec{x}_p - \vec{x}_+)}$

[note  $\int \rho(\vec{x}_+) d^3x_+ = 1 \Rightarrow \tilde{\rho}(0) = 1$ ]

$$S(\vec{x}_p)$$

$$+ i\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{x}_p + i\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{x}_+ - i\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{x}_+$$

$$= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^6} \iiint d^3x_+ d^3\alpha d^3\beta e^{i\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{x}_+ + i\vec{\beta} \cdot (\vec{x}_p - \vec{x}_+)} \tilde{\rho}(\vec{\alpha}) \tilde{V}(\vec{\beta})$$

$$\frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int d^3x_+ e^{i(\vec{\alpha} - \vec{\beta}) \cdot \vec{x}_+} = \delta(\vec{\alpha} - \vec{\beta})$$

can do the  $\alpha$  integration

$$S(\vec{x}_p) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int d^3\beta e^{i\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{x}_p} \tilde{\rho}(\vec{\beta}) \tilde{V}(\vec{\beta})$$

$$M_{if} = \frac{q^2}{\sqrt{V}} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int d^3x_p d^3\beta e^{i(\vec{k}_i - \vec{k}_f + \vec{\beta}) \cdot \vec{x}_p} \tilde{\rho}(\vec{\beta}) \tilde{V}(\vec{\beta})$$

can do the  $\vec{x}_p$  integration

$$\Rightarrow \text{gives } \delta(\vec{k}_i - \vec{k}_f + \vec{\beta})$$

$\Rightarrow$  can do the  $\beta$  integration

$$M_{if} = \frac{q^2}{V} \underbrace{\tilde{\rho}(\vec{k}_f - \vec{k}_i)}_{\text{distribution of scatterers in target}} \underbrace{\tilde{V}(\vec{k}_f - \vec{k}_i)}_{\text{interaction potential}}$$

$\tilde{P}(\vec{k}_f - \vec{k}_i)$ : "form factor"

momentum transfer  $\rightarrow \vec{q} = \hbar(\vec{k}_f - \vec{k}_i)$

$$\tilde{P}\left(\frac{\vec{q}}{\hbar}\right) = \int d^3x e^{\frac{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{x}}{\hbar}} \underbrace{P(\vec{x})}_{\text{spatial distribution of "charge"}}$$

spatial distribution of "charge"  $\rightarrow$  e.m. strong weak.

Simplest:  $P(\vec{x}) = \delta(\vec{x})$

$$\tilde{P}\left(\frac{\vec{q}}{\hbar}\right) = \underline{1}$$

when  $P(\vec{x})$  more spread out,  $\tilde{P}\left(\frac{\vec{q}}{\hbar}\right)$  gets smaller

Elastic Form Factors Reduce Scattering Cross sections

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$$\tilde{V}(\vec{q}) : (\text{setting } \hbar = 1 \dots)$$

$\Rightarrow$  about the interaction

Most Famous:  $V(\vec{x}) \propto \frac{1}{r}$

(Coulomb, fundamental  
above weak ~~weak~~ color/strong)

$$V(\vec{x}) \propto \delta(\vec{x}) \text{ "effective"}$$

for weak interaction(s)

$$\propto \frac{e^{-Mr}}{r} \quad (\text{Yukawa, effective strong})$$

motivation.

Free space:  $\nabla^2 \phi = 0$  ← Coulomb potential

$$\phi \propto \frac{1}{r} \Rightarrow \frac{q}{r}$$

$$E^2 - c^2 p^2 = m^2 c^4 \quad (\text{relativity})$$

(Klein

Gordon)  $\left( -\hbar^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} + \hbar^2 c^2 \nabla^2 \right) \psi = (m^2 c^4) \psi$

Static  $\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial t^2} = 0$

$$\nabla^2 \psi = \frac{m^2 c^2}{\hbar^2} \psi \quad (\text{free space})$$

$\psi \rightarrow \phi, m=0$

electrostatic potential  $\propto \frac{1}{r}$

Spherical Symmetry

$$\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \right) = \frac{m^2 c^2}{\hbar^2} \psi$$

$m=0$  :  $\psi = \frac{q}{r}$  ( $q$  used!)

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \propto -\frac{q}{r^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial r} (1) = 0$$

$m \neq 0$  natural to try  $\psi = g \frac{e^{-ar}}{r}$

$$\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} = g \left[ a - \frac{1}{r} \right] \frac{e^{-ar}}{r}$$

$$r^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} = g [ ar - 1 ] e^{-ar}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \right) = q \left[ a + a^2 r - a \right] e^{ar}$$

$$= q a^2 r e^{ar}$$

$$\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \right) = \frac{q a^2 e^{ar}}{r} \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{m^2 c^2}{\hbar^2} \frac{q e^{ar}}{r}$$

$$a = -\frac{mc}{\hbar} \quad (+ \text{diverges})$$

$$\psi(r) = \frac{q e^{-\frac{mc}{\hbar} r}}{r}$$

$c = \hbar = 1$   
could be  
used.

massive field

interpret as potential  $V(\vec{x})$

want

$$\tilde{V}(\vec{q}) = \int d^3x \frac{q e^{-\frac{mc}{\hbar} r}}{r} e^{-i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{x}}$$

$\hbar = c = 1$

$$= \int d^3x \frac{q e^{-mr}}{r} e^{-\vec{q} \cdot \vec{x}}$$

$\vec{q}$ : make it along z axis

$$\vec{q} \cdot \vec{x} = qr \cos \theta = qr \nu \quad \nu = \cos \theta$$

$$\tilde{V}(\vec{q}) = \int_0^\infty dr r^2 \int_{-1}^1 du \int_0^{2\pi} d\varphi \frac{g e^{-mr}}{r} e^{-iqr u}$$

$$= 2\pi g \int_0^\infty dr r \frac{e^{-mr} (e^{-iqr} - e^{iqr})}{-iqr}$$

$$= \frac{-2\pi g}{iq} \left( \frac{e^{-(m+iq)r}}{-m-iq} - \frac{e^{-(m-iq)r}}{-m+iq} \right) \Big|_0^\infty$$

$$= \frac{-2\pi g}{iq} \left( \frac{-1}{-m-iq} + \frac{1}{-m+iq} \right)$$

$$\left( \frac{m-iq - m - iq}{(-m-iq)(-m+iq)} \right)$$

•  $q^2 \ll m^2$ ?

$$\tilde{V}(\vec{q}) = \frac{4\pi g}{q^2 + m^2}$$

= constant  
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 δ-function in space

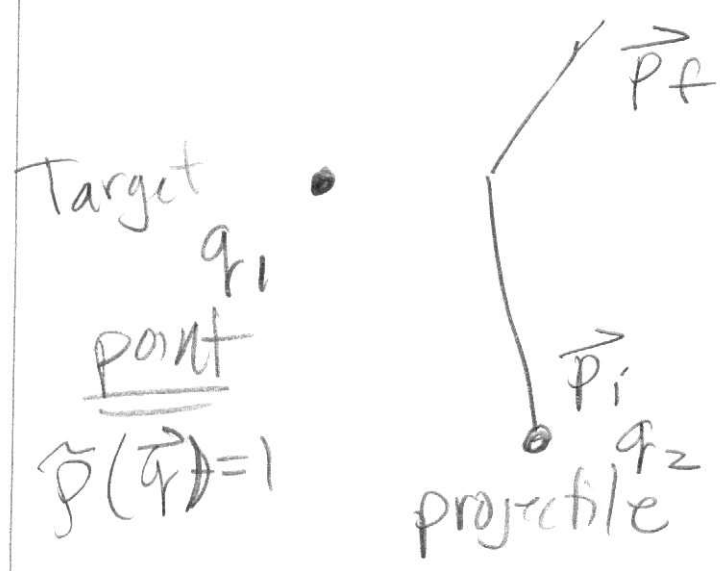
• Troubles :  $\tilde{V}(0) \neq 1$  !  
 in space

Some people put the  $4\pi$

$$V(\vec{x}) = \frac{g}{4\pi r} e^{-mr}$$

$$\tilde{V}(\vec{q}) = \frac{g}{q^2 + m^2}$$

● Connection to EM.



$$\tilde{H} = \frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi r}$$

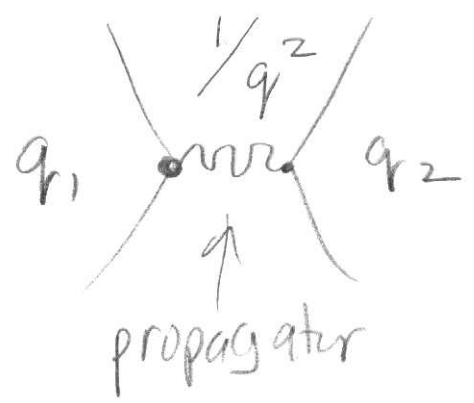
look out!  
 $= q_2 V(r)$

$$M_{if} = \frac{1}{v} q_2 \tilde{V}(\vec{r}) \cdot 1$$

quant vel  $\rightarrow v$

$$M_{if} = \frac{1}{v} \frac{q_1 q_2}{q^2}$$

Interpretation:



$$M_{if} = \frac{1}{(1)} \frac{q_1 q_2}{q^2}$$

quant vel = 1

● Look out:  $q$  here is a 3-vector... the "photon" in the diagram above transmits



momentum BUT NOT ENERGY from the  $\infty$  heavy target to the projectile.

Like 4-momentum of that photon is:  $P_{\gamma^*} = (0, \vec{q})$

$$P_{\gamma^*}^2 = 0 - \vec{q}^2 = -q^2 \neq 0$$

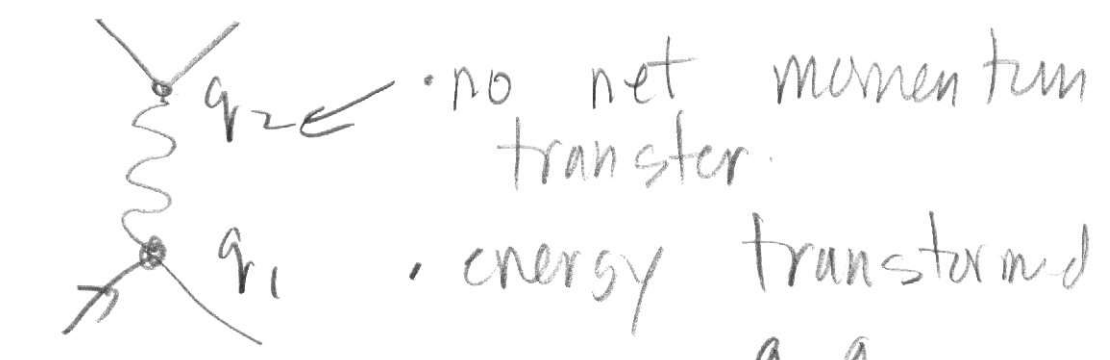
$$-q^2 < 0$$

"Spacelike" virtual photon

In other frames... always spacelike.

Are there "timelike" virtual photons?

YES:

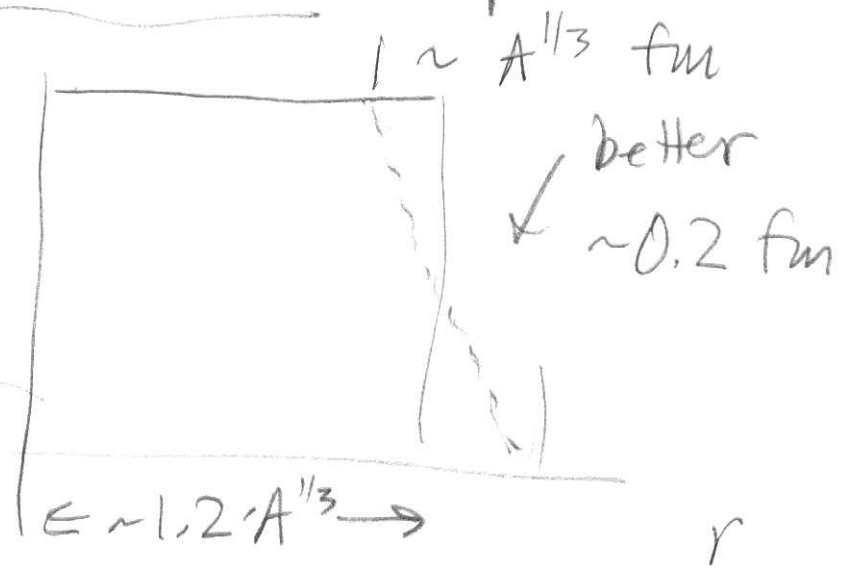


$$M_{if} = - \frac{q_1 q_2}{Q^2} = \text{4-momentum squared}$$

# Other cases

"Structure" of nucleus

$\rho(\vec{x})$  of nucleus : (spherical)



## Probes:

Strong : neutron effectively,  $m \sim 140$  MeV

in 
$$V(r) = \frac{g e^{-mr}}{4\pi r}$$

$\Rightarrow$  approximate as a  $\delta$ -function  
(actually true for WIMPs)

$\tilde{V}(\vec{q}) = \text{constant}$

$\rightarrow$   $\tilde{\rho}(\vec{q}) \rightarrow$  "diffraction pattern"  
(problem). PLOTS

$$\underline{E \neq m} \quad V(r) = \frac{q_1}{4\pi r}$$

$$\hat{V}(\vec{q}) = \frac{q_1}{q^2}$$

Nucleus

$\hat{P}(q) \rightarrow$  diffraction pattern

Mit  $\propto$  (diffraction)  $\times \frac{1}{q^2}$

Hofstadter 1950's

1961 Nobel Prize.

$\Rightarrow$  PLOTS ... Carbon

Proton: No diffraction!

(no sharp edge)

$\rightarrow$  Rise of the magnetic moment!

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