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Потенциал заперания, созданный мультипольными полями  
бесконечного порядка с индефинитной метрикой

В рамках теории мультипольных полей  $N$ -го порядка рассматривается возможность получения некоего потенциала заперания частиц. В пределе  $N \rightarrow \infty$  получены статические потенциалы заперания различных видов.

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Confinement Potential Produced by Indefinite  
Metric Multipole Fields of Infinite Order

The possibility of obtaining some type of confinement of particles is discussed in a field theory with multipole fields of the  $N$ -th order. The limiting case  $N \rightarrow \infty$  yields various forms of static confinement potentials.

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1. The data of the charmonium spectrum seem to fit to experiments quite well<sup>/1,2,3/</sup> when a confinement potential between  $c$  and  $\bar{c}$  is supposed in the form:

$$V(r) = \frac{1}{r}(a + \delta r + Kr^2). \quad (1)$$

For example ref.<sup>/2/</sup> gives the values of  $a$ ,  $\delta$ ,  $K$  as

$$a = -0.2, \quad K = -\frac{\alpha}{a^2}, \quad a = 0.2 \text{ fm.}$$

The value of  $\delta$  is irrelevant (actually  $\delta=0$  is taken), it is an additive constant only to the total energy. A great variety of theoretical considerations predicts the form (1). We quote two rather conservative field theoretical approaches only<sup>/4,5/</sup> (similar to ours<sup>/6/</sup>), where other references can be found.

In a previous work<sup>/6/</sup> we wanted to call the attention to multipole fields as possible sources of some kind of particle confinement. There the free Lagrangian has been proposed to possess the form

$$L_0 = -\frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu B \partial_\mu B + m^2 B^2) - (\partial_\mu A \partial_\mu C + m^2 AC) - \lambda AB, \quad (2)$$

and it has been shown that the fields A,B,C

interacting via an interaction Lagrangian  $L_1$  in the form

$$L_1 = \bar{c}c\phi, \quad \phi = g_1 A + g_2 B + g_3 C$$

give the potential

$$V(r) = \frac{e^{-mr}}{r} (\alpha + \delta r + Kr^2), \quad (3)$$

where  $\alpha$ ,  $\delta$ ,  $K$  are given functions of  $g_i, m$ , and  $\lambda$ . Actually the propagator

$$\tilde{D}(k) = \frac{1}{m^2 - k^2} \left( \alpha + 2m \left( \delta - \frac{K}{m} \right) \frac{1}{m^2 - k^2} + 8m^2 K \frac{1}{(m^2 - k^2)^2} \right)$$

leads to the form (3). Equation (1) follows from eq. (3) in the limit

$$m \rightarrow 0, \quad \frac{\lambda}{m^2} = \text{const.}, \quad g_i \sim \frac{m_c^2}{m^2} \rightarrow +\infty,$$

where  $m_c$  is the quark mass.

2. Multipole fields seem to provide another possibility to obtain a set of static potentials we want to describe here.

A multipole field of an  $N+1$  order satisfying the field equations

$$\begin{aligned} (\square - m^2)\phi_0 &= 0, \\ (\square - m^2)\phi_1 &= \lambda\phi_0, \\ &\vdots \\ (\square - m^2)\phi_N &= \lambda\phi_{N-1}, \end{aligned}$$

gives the Green function for  $\phi$

$$\phi = \sum_{s=0}^N g_s \phi_s \quad (4)$$

in the form<sup>/7/</sup>:

$$D(x) = \sum_{s=0}^N a_s \lambda^s \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial m^2} \right)^s \Delta(x; m^2), \quad (5)$$

where  $a_s$  is quadratic in coupling constants  $g_i$ . A comparison with the formulae of Ref.<sup>7/</sup> gives immediately

$$a_s = \frac{\epsilon}{s!} \sum_{n \geq s}^N g_n g_{N+s-n}, \quad \epsilon = \pm 1.$$

Introducing

$$A_s = a_s \left( \frac{\lambda}{m^2} \right)^s.$$

$D(x)$  becomes

$$D(x) = \sum_{s=0}^N A_s (m^2)^s \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial m^2} \right)^s \Delta(x; m^2). \quad (6)$$

From (6) it is easy to calculate the potential  $V$  in an interaction  $L_1 = \bar{c}c\phi$  with the result:

$$\begin{aligned} V(r) &= \frac{1}{r} \sum_{s=0}^N A_s \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n}{2} \left( \frac{n}{2} - 1 \right) \dots \left( \frac{n}{2} - (s-1) \right) \frac{(-mr)^n}{n!} = \\ &= \frac{1}{r} \sum_n B(n) (-mr)^n, \\ B(n) &= \sum_{s=0}^N \frac{A_s}{n!} \frac{n}{2} \left( \frac{n}{2} - 1 \right) \dots \left( \frac{n}{2} - (s-1) \right), \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

i.e.,

$$B(0) = A_0$$

$$B(1) = A_0 + \frac{1}{2} A_1 + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{2} - 1 \right) A_2 + \dots + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{2} - 1 \right) \dots \left( \frac{1}{2} - (N-1) \right) A_N,$$

$$B(r) = \frac{1}{2} (A_0 + A_1),$$

If  $N \rightarrow \infty$  a new possibility opens up. Suppose we wish to reproduce the Coulomb potential, then

$$B(0) = a, \quad B(n) = 0, \quad n \geq 1. \quad (8)$$

This gives an infinite number of linear equations for  $A_i$ , from which  $A_i$  can be calculated to any given order in "mr". (Det  $A_i^{(N)} \neq 0$ ).

It is interesting to compare (8) with the requirement that the Fourier transform  $\tilde{D}(k)$  of (6) should be equal to  $-k^{-2}$ . Eq. (6) gives

$$\tilde{D}(k) = \sum_s A_s (m^2)^s \frac{(-1)^s s!}{(m^2 - k^2)^{s+1}} = -\frac{1}{k^2} \sum_n C(n) \left(\frac{m^2}{k^2}\right)^n,$$

$$C(n) = \sum_s A_s \frac{n!}{(n-s)!}.$$

The prescription

$$C(0) = a, \quad C(n) = 0, \quad n \geq 1.$$

reproduces (8) for even  $n$ . In fact

$$\frac{C(n)}{B(2n)} = \frac{n!}{n(n+1) \dots 2n}.$$

The confinement potential (1) requires

$$B(0) = a, \quad -mB(1) = \delta, \quad m^2 B(2) = K, \quad B(n) = 0, \quad n \geq 3.$$

from which  $A_i$  can be determined to any given order. The mass  $m$  can be chosen arbitrarily, a small value of it may be useful only for practical calculations.

Having obtained the set  $A_i$  in such a way, one can substitute that into Eq. (6) and start with  $D(x)$  a relativistic calculation.

3. Although we wished to call the attention to multipole fields as a field theo-

retical explanation of particle confinement,  $D$  obtained in such a way can also be considered purely phenomenologically.

To multipole fields Lorentz or inner indices can also be attached.

Since multipole field theories imply a quantization with indefinite metric, a complete field theory as proposed above requires an artificial unitarization<sup>6/</sup>. One of the simplest ways is to take the principal value integral in  $\tilde{D}(k)$  instead of the usual " $i\epsilon$ " prescription.

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