

On the Gauge Invariance of the Transition Probability of a Charged Particle in Electromagnetic Field

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Abstract: This paper suggests a principle to find a unitary operator U which transforms non-physical quantity, zero-potential Hamiltonian H_0 , into true physical quantity UH_0U^\dagger for a charged particle in classical electromagnetic field, and puts forward a unified form of constructing gauge-independent transition probabilities in this case. Different methods correspond to different unitary operators which satisfy the above-mentioned principle.

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