

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{x}(t, \sigma) &= \frac{1}{2}(\overbrace{\vec{F}(ct + \sigma)}^u + \overbrace{\vec{G}(ct - \sigma)}^v) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(\vec{F}(u) + \vec{G}(v))\end{aligned}$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{x}}{\partial t} \pm \frac{\partial \vec{x}}{\partial \sigma}\right)^2 = 1$$

$$\frac{1}{c} \dot{\vec{x}} + \vec{x}' = \vec{F}'(ct + \sigma)$$

$$\frac{1}{c} \dot{\vec{x}} - \vec{x}' = \vec{G}'(ct - \sigma)$$

$$\frac{1}{c} \dot{\vec{x}} = \frac{1}{2}(\vec{F}' + \vec{G}')$$

$$\vec{x}' = \frac{1}{2}(\vec{F}' - \vec{G}')$$

$$|\vec{F}'(u)| = |\vec{G}'(v)| = 1$$

$$\vec{x}(t, \sigma + \sigma_1) = \vec{x}(t, \sigma)$$

$$\sigma_1 = E/T_0$$

$$\vec{F}(u + \sigma_1) + \vec{G}(v - \sigma_1) = \vec{F}(u) + \vec{G}(v)$$

$$\vec{F}(u + \sigma_1) - \vec{F}(u) = \vec{G}(v) - \vec{G}(v - \sigma_1)$$

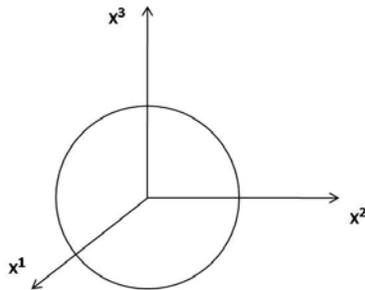
2 Periodicity Conditions:

$$\vec{F}'(u + \sigma_1) = \vec{F}'(u)$$

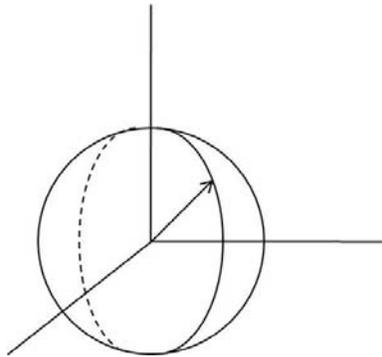
$$\vec{G}'(v + \sigma_1) = \vec{G}'(v)$$

$$\vec{F}(u) = \underbrace{\hat{F}(u)}_{\text{strictly periodic fcn of } u} + \vec{\alpha}u$$

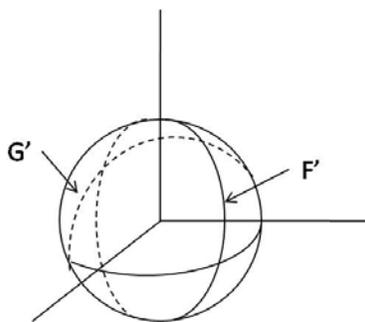
Unit Sphere in 3D



$\vec{F}'$  is a unit vector (so goes from origin to surface). Traces a closed curve on surface, periodic.



$\vec{G}'$  traces another curve



Usually, these paths cross at least two times at point  $(u_0, v_0)$  subject to  $\vec{F}'(u_0) = \vec{G}'(v_0)$ .

$(u_0, v_0)$  determines  $(t_0, \sigma_0)$ .

Thus  $\frac{1}{c}\dot{\vec{x}}(t_0, \sigma_0) = \frac{1}{2}(\vec{F}'(u_0) + \vec{G}'(v_0)) = \vec{F}'(u_0)$

$$|\dot{\vec{x}}(t_0, \sigma_0)| = c|\vec{F}'(u_0)| = c$$

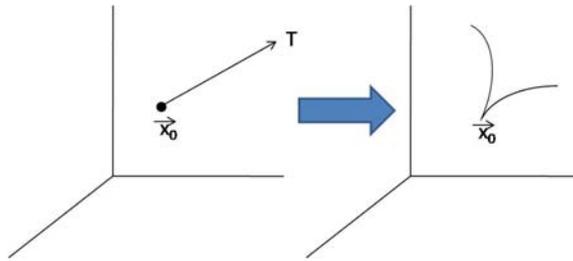
At one point at a time, string moving at speed of light!

$$\underbrace{\vec{x}'(t_0, \sigma_0)}_0 = \frac{1}{2}(\vec{F}'(u_0) - \vec{G}'(v_0))$$

What does the string look like at this time  $t_0$  at positions near  $\sigma_0$ ?

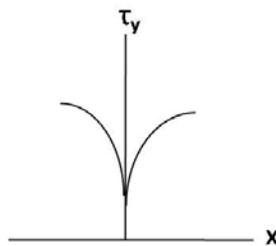
$$\begin{aligned} x(t_0, \sigma \approx \sigma_0) &= x(t_0, \sigma_0) + (\sigma - \sigma_0) \cdot \overbrace{x'(t_0, \sigma_0)}^0 + \frac{1}{2}(\sigma - \sigma_0)^2 x''(t_0, \sigma_0) + \dots \\ &= \vec{x}_0 + (\sigma - \sigma_0)^2 \vec{T}_0 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

where  $\vec{T}_0 = \frac{1}{2}x''(t_0, \sigma_0)$  etc.



String has cusp singularity.

Align  $xy$  axis subject to:



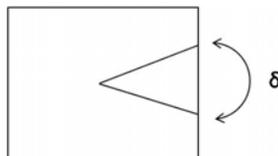
Find  $y \approx |x|^{\frac{2}{3}}$

Imagine string survived early universe, very long (across universe), with lots of tension, gigantic  $\mu_0$ . What would happen if crossing the room?

We wouldn't feel any gravitational attraction! Einstein's gravity says something with mass will gravitate. But the  $\mu_0$  and the tension conspire to make no gravity.

Does affect geometry of space. If measure radius of string and go in same radius circle around, don't get circumference/radius =  $2\pi$ .

Creates a conical singularity!



Conical singularity of a cosmic string  $\exists$  ongoing searches for these. False alarm 1.5 years ago.

Deficit angle:  $\delta = 8\pi GT_0/c^4 = 8\pi G\mu_0/c^2$ .  $\mu_0 = T_0/c^2$ .

Recall  $G = \hbar c/M_p^2$ .  $M_p$ : Planck Mass. Got  $M_p$  from  $G, \hbar, c$ . Construct now  $M_p$  from  $\mu_0, \hbar, c$ .

$$[\mu_0] = M/L$$

$$[t] = ML^2/T = ML[c]$$

$$[\mu_0] = M/[\hbar][c] = M^2[c]/[\hbar]$$

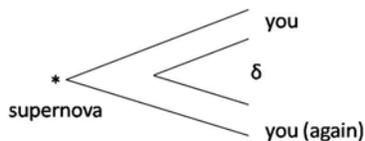
So  $\mu_0 = M_s^2 c/\hbar$ .  $M_s$  is string mass.

$$\delta = 8\pi \left( \frac{\mu_s}{\mu_p} \right)^2$$

$\delta \approx 5.2'' (G\mu_0/10^{-6})$ . '' : seconds or arc,  $c = 1$ .

Example: If knew  $\delta = 0.5''$ ,  $\mu_0 = 1.3 \times 10^{20}$  kg/m.

Can look for  $\delta$



See 2 images with angle between.

What is  $\mathcal{P}_\mu^\sigma$ ?

Recall Maxwell:  $\nabla \cdot E = \rho$ .  $\nabla \times B = \frac{1}{c} \vec{J} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$ .

$$\nabla \cdot (\nabla \times \vec{B}) = 0 \quad (\text{for any } B)$$

$$\frac{1}{c} \nabla \cdot \vec{J} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \nabla \cdot E}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$\nabla \cdot \vec{J} + \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} = 0$$

Charge Conservation:

$$\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\rho c) + \partial_i J^i = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x^\mu} J^\mu = 0$$

Define Charge:

$$Q = \int d^3x \rho(t, \vec{x})$$

$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = \int d^3x d\rho(t, \vec{x})/dt = - \int d^3x \nabla \cdot \vec{J} = - \int d\vec{a} \cdot \vec{J}$$

$\rho$ : charge density  $Q/L^3$  (density over volume)

$\vec{J}$ : current density  $Q/TL^2$  (density over area)

## Mechanics

Lagrangian:  $L(q(t), \dot{q}(t); t)$

Symmetry: a rule to change any path  $q(t)$  subject to  $L$  is unchanged. There exists other kinds of symmetries too. Rule may depend on path.

Rule:

$$q(t) \rightarrow q(t) + \delta q(t)$$

where  $\delta q(t) = \epsilon \cdot h(q(t); t)$ .  $h$  is a magic function.  $\epsilon$ : small number. Accordingly:

$$\dot{q}(t) = \dot{q}(t) + \frac{d}{dt}(\delta q(t))$$

Theorem: If under these changes the terms linear in  $\delta q$  vanish in  $\delta L$ , then we get a conserved charge:

$$\epsilon Q = \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \right) \delta q$$

Claim:  $\frac{dQ}{dt} = 0$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\epsilon Q) = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \right) \delta q + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \frac{d}{dt}(\delta q)$$

Euler Lagrange Equation of Motion:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q} = 0$$

Used to write:

$$\frac{d(EQ)}{dt} = \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial q} \right) \delta q + \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \right) \delta \dot{q} = \delta L = 0$$

Example:

$L = L(\dot{q}(t))$ .  $L$  only dependent on velocity. Then have symmetry  $\delta q(t) = \epsilon$ .  
Then have  $\delta \dot{q} = 0$ .  $L$  invariant (so is symmetric).

$$Q = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\epsilon}} = p$$

$$S = \int d\xi^0 d\xi^1 \dots d\xi^p \mathcal{L}(\phi^a, \partial_\alpha \phi^a)$$

$$\alpha \rightarrow 0, \dots, p$$

Fields:  $\phi^a$ .

Nambu-Gotta:

$$\xi^\alpha(\tau, \sigma) = \int d\tau \int d\sigma \mathcal{L} \left( \frac{\partial x^\mu}{\partial \tau}, \frac{\partial x^\mu}{\partial \sigma} \right)$$

Will find there are conserved currents of form  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \xi^\alpha} (J_i^\alpha)$