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last time: Hamiltonian formulation of

- relativistic particle: $H = \frac{e}{2m} (p^\mu p_\mu - m^2)$, $\{X^\mu, p_\nu\} = \delta^\mu_\nu$

- EM field: $H = \int d^3x \left\{ \frac{1}{2} (\pi^2 + B^2) + A_0 \partial_i \pi^i \right\}$, $\{A_i(x), \pi^j(y)\} = \delta_i^j \delta^3(x-y)$

Constraints $\longleftrightarrow$ Symmetries: Arise from and generate them

Hamilton's eqn: $\dot{q} = \{q, H\}$

, $\{f, g\} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial q} \frac{\partial g}{\partial p} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial p} \frac{\partial g}{\partial q}$

$\dot{p} = \{p, H\}$

EM: A_0 - Lagrange multiplier, variation $\rightarrow \partial_i \pi^i = 0$ (Gauss' law), $\vec{E} = -\vec{\pi}$.

$\dot{A}_i(x) = \{A_i(x), H\} = \pi^i + \{A_i(x), -\int \partial_j A_0(y) \pi^j(y) d^3y\} = \pi^i - \boxed{\partial_i A_0(x)}$

So $H_{\text{caustic}} = \int A_0 \partial_i \pi^i d^3x$ generates the symmetry transfe.

$\{A_i, H_{\text{caustic}}\} = -\partial_i A_0$

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gauge transformation
of A_i .

Relativistic particle: $X^\mu(x)$

for relativ. particle,
 $H_{\text{caustic}} = H = \frac{e(x)}{2m} (p^2 - m^2) \Rightarrow$ evolution
corresponds to a
"gauge transformation", i.e.:
reparametrization!

$\dot{X}^\mu(\lambda) = \left\{ X^\mu, \frac{e}{2m} (p^\nu p_\nu - m^2) \right\} = \frac{e}{m} p^\mu$, $p^\mu = \frac{m}{e} \frac{dX^\mu}{d\lambda}$

if using proper time: $p^\mu = m \frac{dX^\mu}{ds}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{general}}$ $p^\mu = m \frac{(d\lambda)}{(ds)} \frac{dX^\mu}{d\lambda}$
 $e^{-1} \leftarrow$ arbitrary function of λ .