

# Discussion on “Vacuum in Light-Front Quantization”

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## Quantization:

A classical field theory  $\longrightarrow$  Infinite “quantum” field theories

various quantization conditions,  $[\phi(x), \phi^\dagger(y)]_{x^0=y^0} \propto \delta^3(x - y)$ , ...  
at equal time,  $t$ , or at equal LC time  $x^+$ , ...  
add some constraints to the classical theory, ...

*Independent of any choice of Lorentz frame (IMF, ...),  
or coordinate system,  $(x, y, z, t)$  or  $(x^+, x^-, \vec{x}^\perp)$ , ...*

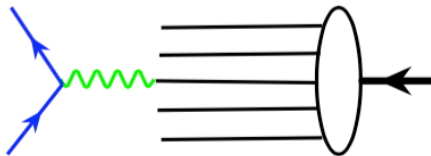
## Physical observables:

$\langle P, \sigma | \mathcal{O}(\phi, \dots) | P', \sigma' \rangle$  Depend on **both** the “operator” and the “state”

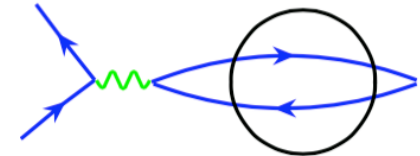
**State:**  $|P, \sigma\rangle \propto \hat{O}(P, \sigma) |\Omega\rangle$  Depends on the “vacuum”  $|\Omega\rangle$

**Question:**  $\langle \Omega | \Omega \rangle_{\text{quantum theory}} = ?$   $|\Omega\rangle_{\text{quantum theory}} = ?$

## Lorentz frame – where the observer is:



*Physical picture  
depends on frame*



May help understand the approximation, ...

## Coordinate system:

*A “right” choice helps organize the calculation, approximation, presentation, ...*

*$t$ -ordered vs.  $x^+$ -ordered perturbation theory, which one converges better?*