

On the Interaction of Elementary Particles. IV.

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§ 1. Introduction and Summary

In the previous papers,¹⁾ it was shown that the introduction of the neutral Bose particles, which were named N-particles by Bhabha,²⁾ in addition to the charged Bose particles, i.e. U-particles, was necessary in order to account for approximate equality of unlike particle and like particle forces.³⁾ In this paper, we want to deal with this problem by assuming the wave equations for N-particles, which have the same form as those for U-particles. We can assume, further, that the interaction between the heavy particle with the former has the same form as that with the latter, except that the factor $a + b \tau_3$ of the form $a + b \tau_3$ appears in place of $\tau_1 + i \tau_2$ or $\tau_1 - i \tau_2$, where a, b or $a + b \tau_3$ are arbitrary complex numbers.⁴⁾ Thus, the forces between like particles as well as the ordinary forces between unlike particles⁵⁾ can be obtained in a manner similar to usual way.⁶⁾ The arbitrary constants a, b can be determined by comparing the forces thus obtained with those employed in the theory. By choosing the constants a, b suitably, we arrive at the forces thus obtained⁷⁾ can take the form⁸⁾ required in the current theory. Very recently, Kemmer considered⁹⁾ this problem in detail as investigated by Kemmer recently.³⁾ As already ~~shown~~ mentioned in detail¹⁰⁾ in § 7, the forces between them obtained are not strictly central, so that we have to consider

1) Yukawa, Proc. Phys.-Math. Soc. 17, 48, 1935; Yukawa and Sakata, ibid. 19, 1084, 1937; Yukawa, Sakata and Taketani, ibid. 20, 319, 1938. They will be referred to as I, II and III.

2) Kemmer. The authors wish to thank to Dr. Kemmer for sending the manuscript to be published in Proc. Camb. Phil. Soc.