

# Spin-dependent distribution functions for relativistic hydrodynamics of spin-1/2 particles

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# Introduction

- ▶ Relativistic hydrodynamics with spin based on distribution functions  
see [W. Florkowski's talk](#), and [R. Ryblewski's poster](#)
- ▶ Study formal aspects of distribution functions
- ▶ Connection between polarization 3-vector, spin tensor and Pauli-Lubański 4-vector

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- ▶ PL per particle

$$\pi_\mu(x, p) = \frac{\Delta\Pi_\mu(x, p)}{\Delta\mathcal{N}(x, p)}$$

- ▶ PL four-vector in the PRF agrees with the Polarization vector (!)

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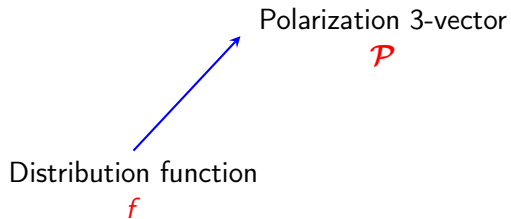
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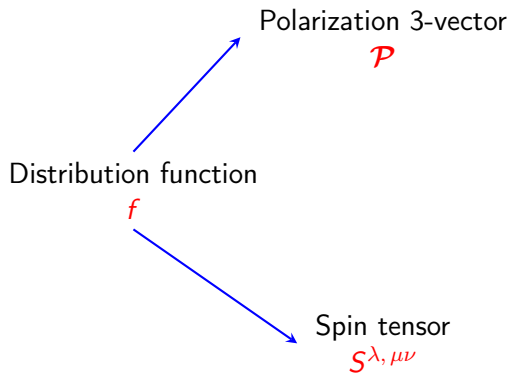
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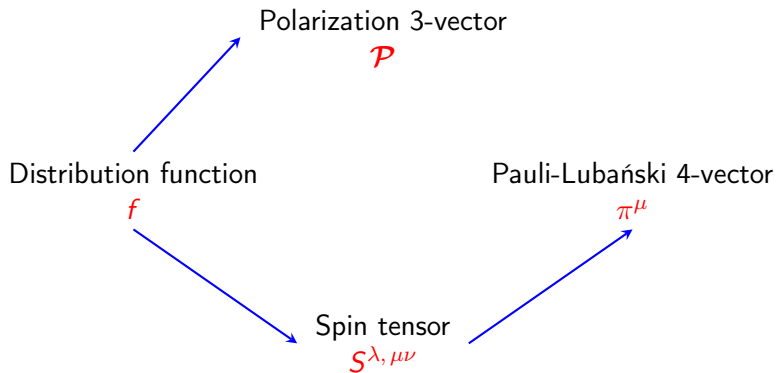


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