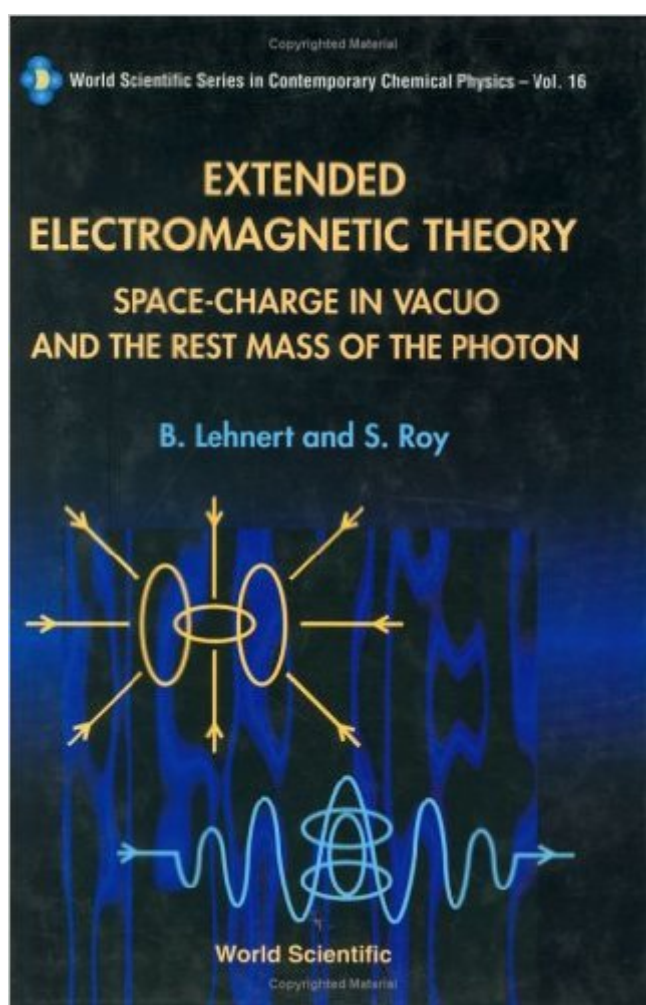


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In 1927, the world of physics split at the Solvay Conference in Belgium into the probabilistic and spooky world of quantum theory according to the Copenhagenists, Wolfgang Pauli and Heisenberg and their dissenters Schrodinger, Einstein and Prince Louis De Broglie, who still believed in the deterministic world of physics as pioneered by Kepler, Galileo and Newton. On the train back to France, Einstein charged De Broglie with the task of continuing the fight of deterministic physics

against the Copenhagenists. However, having received a scolding for his views off Wolfgang Pauli at the conference, he was reluctant to continue the fight until the arrival of Vigier in Paris, who became his assistant. Together they propounded their alternative views against those of the dominant Copenhagen faction, although it must be said, somewhat out of the spotlight of standard model physics. Their big counter argument against the prevailing views was that photons possessed mass, even though it was very small and that the photon was not a two dimensional entity, but had a three dimensional structure. In 1994, now collaborating with the chemical physicist Myron Evans, Vigier became editor of the book series 'The Enigmatic Photon'. In volumes 1 and 2, the duo elaborated on why it could reasonably be proposed that photons have both mass and a three dimensional structure. They also went further and proposed that photons have a small magnetic field in the direction of propagation of the photon, termed the B3 Field. Bo Lehnert is another supporter of the school of Einstein, De Broglie and Vigier and in this book he reviews the evidence for photon mass and the B3 field and adds his own insights on the subject.

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