Introduction to String Theory exercises - sheet 0

Exercise 1

Find the Lagrangian for a single particle of charge e and mass m moving in a flat space filled with a background electromagnetic field. Explain why the answer is correct by deriving the equation of motion. Hint: use the vector potential A^{μ} .

Exercise 2

The Polyakov action enjoys global Poincare symmetry. Derive the corresponding conserved currents. (Equation 2.66 and 2.67 in Blumenhagen / Lüst / Theisen)