

HIGH-PRECISION ℓN COLLISIONS: BASICS OF RADIATIVE CORRECTIONS

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MOTIVATION

The Goal:

High-Precision Measurements of the 'Nucleon Structure'

→ measure form factors, structure functions, (generalized) parton distribution functions, ...

- at low Q^2 elastic and quasi-elastic scattering
→ form factors, polarizabilities, ...
- at high Q^2 deep inelastic scattering
→ parton distribution functions, GPDs, GDAs, ...

The interesting physics is encoded in FFs, PDFs, ...

test the dynamics of the strong interaction

Precision Physics (QCD) D. de Florian

Lepton scattering: only via electromagnetic and weak interaction

→ well-controlled and separable perturbative treatment

RADIATIVE CORRECTIONS

Measure FFs, PDFs, etc by comparing data with theoretical predictions:

$$\sigma_{\text{exp}} = \sigma_{\text{theory}}[F_n(x, Q^2, \dots)]$$

High precision requires knowledge of **higher-order corrections**

$$\sigma_{\text{theory}} = \sigma^{(0)} + \alpha_{\text{em}}\sigma^{(1)} + \dots$$

- Emission of **real photons**
often not distinguished from non-radiative processes:
soft photons, collinear photons
→ "radiative corrections"
- Virtual corrections (**loop diagrams**)
needed to cancel infrared divergences (Bloch-Nordsieck)
- Electroweak effects
Z-, W-boson exchange ($O(G_F)$)
and higher-order electroweak corrections ($O(\alpha G_F)$)

Radiative corrections have to be 'removed' to uncover the **interesting physics** and radiative corrections often considered the **uninteresting part**

but:

- **2- γ -exchange** (and γZ -exchange) is part of the 1-loop photonic corrections
corresponding infrared divergences cancel with the interference between photon radiation from the lepton and from the nucleon
- radiation from the nucleon: **DVCS** deeply virtual Compton scattering, is part of the 1-photon radiative corrections
- **Z-exchange** gives rise to P - and C -violating interactions, charge and polarization asymmetries

CLASSIFICATION OF $O(\alpha)$ CORRECTIONS

- Radiation from the lepton
model independent (universal)
- vacuum polarization (boson self energy)
universal
- Radiation from the nucleon
parton model: radiation from quarks
to be considered as a part of the nucleon structure
- Interference of leptonic and hadronic radiation
 2γ exchange
new structure
- purely weak corrections

Note: for NC-scattering straightforward separation

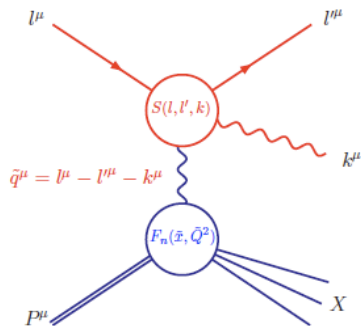
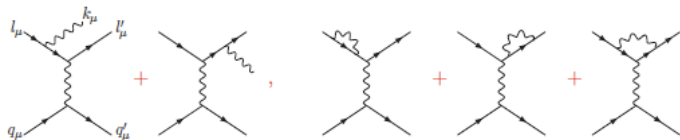
Rule: respect gauge invariance

IR divergences: need to combine real and virtual radiation

LEPTONIC RADIATION

Feynman diagrams for leptonic radiation at $O(\alpha)$

for $e q$ scattering:



radiative leptonic tensor
 $S_{\mu\nu}(l, l', k)$ is

- gauge invariant
- infrared finite
- universal

Observed cross section: convolution of true cross section \otimes radiator function

$$d\sigma^{\text{obs}}(p, q) = \int \frac{d^3k}{2k^0} R(l, l', k) d\sigma^{\text{true}}(p, q - k)$$

of, for the structure functions:

$$F_n^{\text{obs}}(x, Q^2) = \int d\tilde{x} d\tilde{Q}^2 R_n(x, Q^2; \tilde{x}, \tilde{Q}^2) F_n^{\text{true}}(\tilde{x}, \tilde{Q}^2)$$

Note: shifted kinematics, e.g.,

$$Q^2 = -(l - l')^2 \rightarrow \tilde{Q}^2 = -(l - l' - k)^2$$

→ expect strong dependence on experimental prescriptions for measuring kinematic variables (→ no numerical results in this talk)

in turn: measurement = unfolding may be ill-defined

Difficult to treat radiative and detector effects separately (Acceptance cuts, efficiencies, ...)

PROPERTIES OF LEPTONIC RADIATION

with partial fractioning, write: $R(l, l', k) = \frac{l}{k \cdot l} + \frac{F}{k \cdot l'}$

- initial state radiation, $k \cdot l$ small for $\sphericalangle(\mathbf{e}_{\text{in}}, \gamma) \rightarrow 0$
- final state radiation, $k \cdot l'$ small for $\sphericalangle(\mathbf{e}_{\text{out}}, \gamma) \rightarrow 0$

narrow peaks, width $\simeq \sqrt{m_e/E_e}$: collinear or mass singularities

upon angular integration: large logarithm $\propto \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \log \frac{Q^2}{m_e^2} \simeq 10\%$

Note: $E_{\gamma, \text{max}}^2 \propto Q^2 \frac{1-x}{x}$

- large corrections at large Q^2 and at small x
- Radiation suppressed at small Q^2 and at large x ,
large negative corrections from uncancelled virtual contributions

COLLINEAR APPROXIMATION

e.g., for initial-state radiation:

assume $k^\mu = (1 - z)l^\mu$

→ Radiator function

$$R_{\text{ISR}} = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \frac{1 + z^2}{1 - z} \log \frac{Q^2}{m_e^2}$$

($+\delta(1 - z)$ from loops → +-distribution $1/(1 - z)_+$)

$$d\sigma_{\text{ISR}} = \int \frac{dz}{z} R_{\text{ISR}}(z) d\sigma_{\text{Born}}(l^\mu \rightarrow zl^\mu)$$

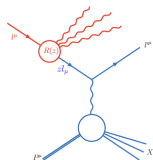
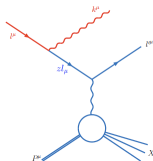
(similar for final-state radiation)

Can be extended to include multi-photon emission:

$$R_{\text{ISR}}^{(2)}(z) = \int_z^1 \frac{dz'}{z'} R_{\text{ISR}}^{(1)}(z') R_{\text{ISR}}^{(1)}(z/z') + \dots$$

Solution of evolution equations like DGLAP

Known at $O(\alpha^2)$ (complete) and partially at $O(\alpha^3)$



Corrections due to **soft photons** are universal

sum of real and virtual contributions: δ^{IR} (finite and gauge invariant)

$$1 + \delta^{\text{tot}} = 1 + \delta^{\text{IR}} + \delta^{\text{fin}} \rightarrow \exp(\delta^{\text{IR}})(1 + \delta^{\text{fin}})$$

δ^{IR} contains $\log(E_\gamma^{\text{max}})$ and $L_f = \log(m_f^2/Q^2)$:

$$1 + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi}(L_f - 1) \ln \frac{E_\gamma^{\text{max}}}{E_e} + \dots \rightarrow \left(\frac{E_\gamma^{\text{max}}}{E_e} \right)^{\frac{\alpha}{2\pi}(L_f - 1)} (1 + \dots)$$

(in the γ^*p cms: $E_\gamma^{\text{max}} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{y(1-x)}S$, i.e. important at low y and large x)

Yennie, Frautschi, Suura, 1961

RADIATIVE TAIL

Radiation of (hard) photons \rightarrow shifted kinematic variables:

$$Q^2 = -(l - l')^2 \rightarrow \tilde{Q}^2 = -(l - l' - k)^2$$

and

$$x = \frac{Q^2}{2P \cdot (l - l')} \rightarrow \tilde{x} = \frac{\tilde{Q}^2}{2P \cdot (l - l' - k)}$$

Radiator function is folded with

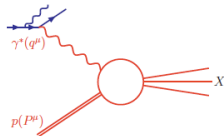
$$d\sigma(\tilde{x}, \tilde{Q}^2) \propto \frac{1}{\tilde{Q}^2}$$

\rightarrow correction factor $d\sigma_{O(\alpha)}(x, Q^2)/d\sigma_{\text{Born}}(x, Q^2)$ enhanced by Q^2/\tilde{Q}^2

Note: $\tilde{Q}^2 \ll Q^2$ possible: $\tilde{Q}_{\text{min}}^2 = \frac{x^2}{1-x} M_N^2$

\rightarrow radiative tail, Compton peak

back to photoproduction

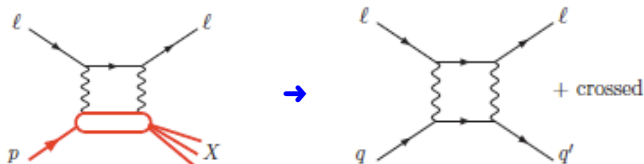


TWO-PHOTON EXCHANGE

(deep) **inelastic** ep :

factorized into

PDFs \otimes 2γ -box
for eq scattering

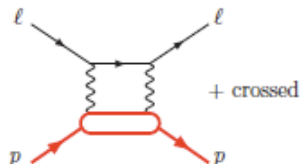


Need interference of radiation from the lepton and the hadron to obtain IR-finite result

elastic ep :

- assume dominance of a few intermediate states: p + resonances

- assume factorization into GPDs \otimes partonic scattering



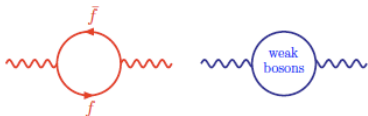
Dedicated **precision** measurements to determine TPE:

lepton charge asymmetry (Re) and lepton polarization asymmetry (Im)

see e.g. [M.Kohl](#), [K. de Jager](#), [MAMI&Beyond](#)

VACUUM POLARIZATION

Self energy diagrams of the exchanged boson (γ and Z)



$$\propto \log \frac{Q^2}{m_f^2} \rightarrow O(10\%) \quad \text{small, } O(1\%)$$

Photon self energy = vacuum polarization, absorbed in the running fine structure constant:

$$\alpha \rightarrow \alpha(Q^2) = \frac{\alpha}{1 - \Pi_\gamma(Q^2)}$$

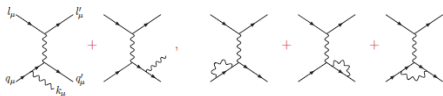
Z-boson self energy: a small correction if written in terms of:

$$\frac{\alpha}{s_W^2 c_W^2} \rightarrow \frac{M_Z^2 G_\mu \sqrt{2}}{\pi} \frac{1 - \Delta r}{1 - \Pi_Z(Q^2)}$$

(with s_W^2 , c_W^2 : sin and cos of the weak mixing angle; G_μ the muon decay constant; Δr one-loop corrections to the muon decay: renormalization)

HADRONIC RADIATION

at large Q^2 : DIS, parton model
emission of photons
like emission of gluons



infrared divergences (soft photons / gluons) cancel with loops, collinear emission gives rise to corrections $\frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \log m_q^2$, but quark masses are ill-defined
→ factorize and absorb collinear divergences into parton distribution functions

$$d\sigma = \sum_f d\hat{\sigma}_f(1 + \delta_f(Q^2; m_q^2))q_f(x)$$

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renormalized parton distribution functions

$$\hat{q}_f(x, Q^2) = (1 + \delta_f(Q^2; m_q^2))q_f(x)$$

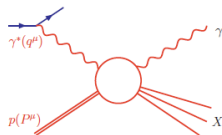
→ modified scaling violations

well-known in QCD, $\overline{\text{MS}}$ factorization

HADRONIC RADIATION: DVCS

Different point of view:
not as part of radiative corrections
but with observed photon

→ DVCS: deeply virtual Compton scattering
see e.g. [B. Pasquini, MAMI&Beyond](#)



MONTE-CARLO IMPLEMENTATION

classical analytical approach: **Mo, Tsai**

often used in 'private' implementations of experimental collaborations

full Monte-Carlo approach:

HERACLES: complete electroweak corrections at $O(\alpha)$ (parton model) for NC and CC scattering at HERA, including polarization

full event generation:

DJANGO: universal leptonic corrections at $O(\alpha)$, interface to QCD-based event generation of jets, parton showers, hadronic final state, includes models for low Q^2 behaviour: elastic tail, **SOPHIA** for low-mass hadronic final states

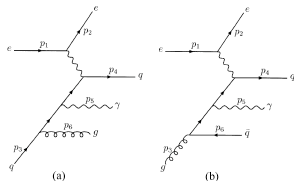
specialized: **VANDERHAEGHEN ET AL.** QED $O(\alpha)$ corrections to virtual Compton scattering

... and many more tools: **TERAD** by **Bardin et al.**,
HEKTOR, **KRONOS**, **FRANEQ**, ...

MONTE-CARLO: FUTURE IMPROVEMENTS ?

More dedicated efforts needed to include:

- IR/soft photon exponentiation
- multi-photon emission radiator functions at $O(\alpha^2)$
- 2-photon exchange
- radiation from quarks: subtraction and modified parton showers including $q \rightarrow q + \gamma$ (mixed QED+QCD corrections)

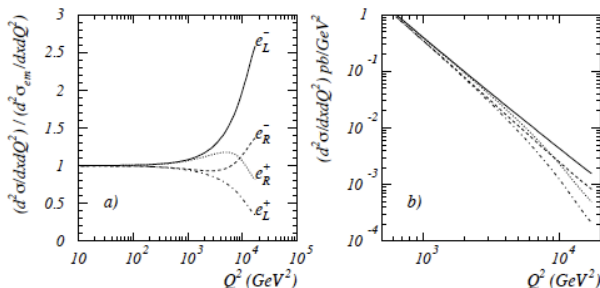


ELECTROWEAK EFFECTS

Z-boson exchange

Charge and polarization asymmetries

see e.g. J. Erler, MAMI&Beyond



$$A_{\pm} = \frac{\sigma(e_L^{\pm}) - \sigma(e_R^{\pm})}{\sigma(e_L^{\pm}) + \sigma(e_R^{\pm})}, \quad B_{\pm} = \frac{\sigma(e_L^{\pm}) - \sigma(e_R^{\mp})}{\sigma(e_L^{\pm}) + \sigma(e_R^{\mp})}, \quad C_{L,R} = \frac{\sigma(e_{L,R}^{-}) - \sigma(e_{L,R}^{+})}{\sigma(e_{L,R}^{-}) + \sigma(e_{L,R}^{+})}$$

Full $O(\alpha)$ electroweak corrections based on a parton model calculation available

- High precision needs careful treatment of radiative corrections
- Closely related to experimental conditions
- Interesting physics: DVCS, TPE, electroweak effects