

High-Energy Limit of QED beyond Sudakov Approximation

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Topics discussed

● Introduction

- *high energy limit, Sudakov double logarithms*
- *power corrections and renormalization group*

● QED at high energy to $\mathcal{O}(m_e^2/Q^2)$

- *non-Sudakov double logarithms*
- *soft electron pair emission and eikonal charge nonconservation*
- *two-loop result, all order resummation and asymptotic formula for the vector form factor*

● Based on:

*A.A. Penin, Phys.Lett. **B745** (2015) 69, arXiv:1412.0671 [hep-ph]*

Sudakov limit

● Sudakov limit

- *on-shell*
- *exclusive*
- *high energy*
- *fixed angle*

● Sudakov logarithms (*leading power in m_e^2/Q^2*)

- *each external line gets $e^{-\frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \frac{C_R}{2} \ln^2(Q^2)}$*

Sudakov (1956); Frenkel, Taylor (1976)

- *subleading logs exponentiate as well*

Mueller (1979); Collins (1980); Sen (1981), ...

● What about power suppressed logs?

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- Power corrections and renormalization group

$$\Delta\mathcal{L} = \sum_i C_i O_i, \quad \frac{d}{d \ln \mu} C_i = f_i(C_j)$$

- *OPE, large mass expansion* $\Rightarrow$ *local composite operators*
- *threshold nonrelativistic limit* $\Rightarrow$ *spatially nonlocal potentials*
- *Sudakov ultrarelativistic limit* $\Rightarrow$ **?**

QED form factor

• Dirac/Pauli components

$$\mathcal{F} = \bar{\psi}(p_1) \left(\gamma_\mu F_1 + \frac{i\sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu}{2m_e} F_2 \right) \psi(p_2)$$

kinematics $p_1^2 = p_2^2 = m_e^2, \quad Q^2 = -(p_2 - p_1)^2 \gg m_e^2 \gg \lambda^2$

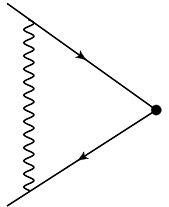
• High-energy expansion

$$F_1 = e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \ln(\lambda^2/m_e^2) \ln \rho} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \rho^n F_1^{(n)} \quad (\rho = m_e^2/Q^2)$$

Dirac form factor at $\mathcal{O}(1)$

● Origin of double logs

- *only vertex correction contribute in a covariant gauge*
- *photon is soft and collinear to p_i*
- *electrons are eikonal*



$$S = \frac{\not{p}_i - \not{l} + m_e}{(p_i - l)^2 - m_e^2} \approx -\frac{\not{p}_i}{2p_i l} \approx \frac{\gamma_{\pm}}{|l|(\cos \theta \pm 1)}$$

● Soft and collinear divergences

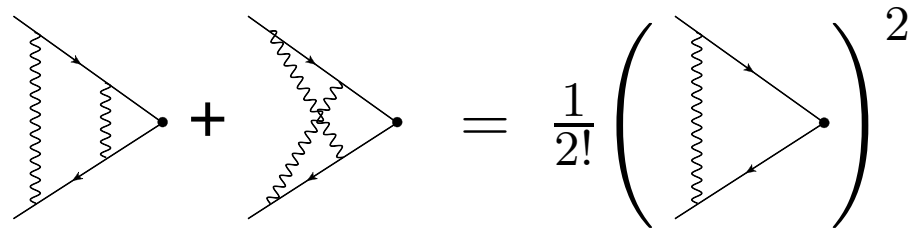
$$\int \frac{d|l|}{|l|} \rightarrow \ln(\lambda) \quad \int \frac{d \cos \theta}{\cos \theta \pm 1} \rightarrow \ln(m_e)$$

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Eikonal factorization

$$\frac{1}{p_i l_1} \frac{1}{p_i(l_1 + l_2)} + \frac{1}{p_i(l_1 + l_2)} \frac{1}{p_i l_2} = \frac{1}{p_i l_1} \frac{1}{p_i l_2}$$

Exponentiation


$$+ = \frac{1}{2!} \left(\text{one-loop diagram} \right)^2$$



$$\text{n-loop} = \frac{(1\text{-loop})^n}{n!}$$

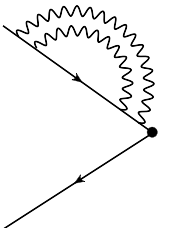
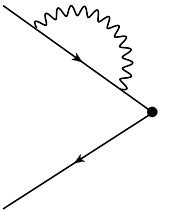
Sudakov double logarithmic result

$$F_1^{(0)} = e^{-x} \quad \left(x = \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \ln^2 \rho \right)$$

Dirac form factor at $\mathcal{O}(1)$

Alternative picture: physical gauge

- forward radiation suppressed by helicity conservation
 $\Rightarrow$ only on-shell self-energies contribute
- universality of Sudakov DL
- ordering of virtual momenta $\Rightarrow$ rainbow diagrams
- trivial color structure of Sudakov DL



Alternative picture: evolution equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \ln Q} F_1 = [-\Gamma_{cusp} + \dots] F_1$$

- Cusp anomalous dimension

$$\Gamma_{cusp} = -\frac{\alpha}{\pi} \ln \rho$$

Dirac form factor to $\mathcal{O}(\rho)$

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● Expansion by regions

I. identify the regions of virtual momentum

- *hard* $l \sim Q$
- *collinear* $l_+ \sim Q, l_- \sim m_e^2/Q$ *or* $l_- \sim Q, l_+ \sim m_e^2/Q, l_\perp \sim m_e$
- *soft* $l \sim m_e$

II. for each region

- ➔ *expand in small ratios*
- integrate over all momentum space*
- use dimensional regularization*

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● *k-loop integral*

$$I_k = I_{c,\dots,c} + I_{c,\dots,h} + \dots + I_{h,\dots,h}$$

$$I_{c,\dots,c} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{m_e^2}{\tilde{p}_1 p_2} \right)^n I_{c,\dots,c}^{(n)} + \dots \quad I_{c,\dots,c}^{(n)} = \frac{1}{(m_e^2)^{k\varepsilon}} \left(\frac{c_k^{(n)}}{\varepsilon^{2k}} + \dots \right)$$

● Sudakov logs $\Rightarrow$ photon momentum $l \rightarrow 0$

soft photons

$$D = \frac{-g_{\mu\nu}}{l^2 - \lambda^2}$$

eikonal electrons

$$S \approx -\frac{\not{p}_i + m_e}{2p_i l}$$

$$c_k^{(0)} \propto \left(\frac{p_1 p_2}{\tilde{p}_1 p_2} \right)^k = 1 + \mathcal{O}(\rho^2) \quad c_k^{(1)} = 0$$

Dirac form factor to $\mathcal{O}(\rho)$

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but there is a two-loop $x^2\rho$ one

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- Non-Sudakov logs $\Leftrightarrow l' = p_i - l \rightarrow 0$

eikonal photons

$$D = \frac{g_{\mu\nu}}{2p_i l' - m_e^2 + \lambda^2}$$

soft electrons

$$S \approx \frac{m_e}{l'^2 - m_e^2}$$

Gorshkov, Gribov, Lipatov, Frolov (1968)

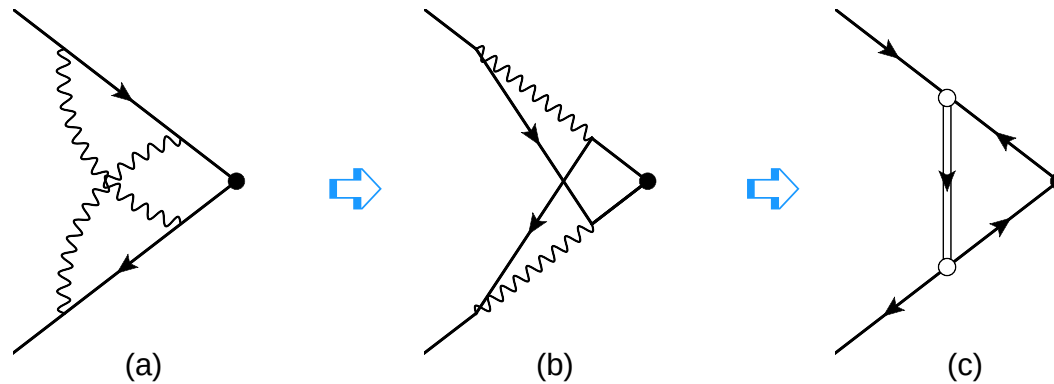
- Does not contribute at one-loop
- Shows up in two-loop non-planar diagram

$$\bullet \quad l'_1 = p_1 - l_1 \rightarrow 0, \quad l'_2 = p_2 - l_2 \rightarrow 0$$

➡ *does not destroy eikonal structure*

Soft pair emission

● “Twist” the diagram



➡ *soft electron pair exchange*

➡ *eikonal charge nonconservation*

Evaluation of double logs

● New variables

- *Sudakov parameters* $l = up_1 + vp_2 + l_\perp$
- *hypercube coordinates* $\eta = \ln v / \ln \rho, \xi = \ln u / \ln \rho, 0 < \eta, \xi < 1$
- *strict rapidity ordering* $\eta_i < \eta_j, \dots$, *onshell condition* $\eta_i + \xi_i < 1$

● Double log coefficient

- *volume under hypersurface*

$$F_1^{(1)} \Big|_{2-loop} = -4x^2 \int_{0 < \eta_i, \xi_i < 1} K(\eta_1, \eta_2, \xi_1, \xi_2) d\eta_1 d\eta_2 d\xi_1 d\xi_2$$

- *kernel* $K(\eta_1, \eta_2, \xi_1, \xi_2) = \theta(1 - \eta_1 - \xi_1) \theta(1 - \eta_2 - \xi_2) \theta(\eta_2 - \eta_1) \theta(\xi_1 - \xi_2)$

- *result* $F_1^{(1)} \Big|_{2-loop} = -x^2/3$

Mastrolia, Remiddi (2003), Bernreuther *et al.* (2005)

Universality

● *Quasi-universal character*

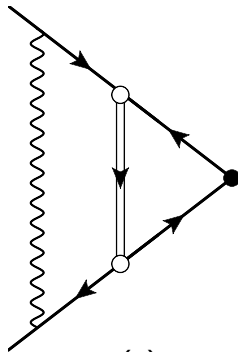
- *leading power corrections are due to soft “scalar” electron exchange*
- *the coefficient depends on scattering details*
- ➔ *not determined by external particle charge only*

● *Two-loop form factors*

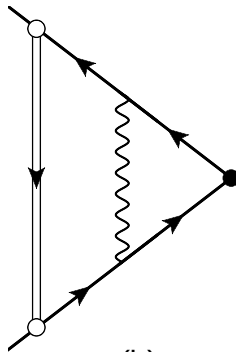
- *Dirac, Pauli*
- *scalar, axial*
- ➔ *agree with known results*

Resummation

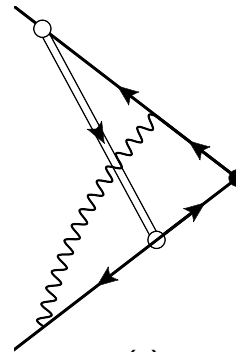
● *Dressing with Sudakov photons*



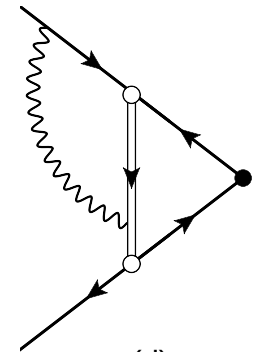
(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)

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● Multiple Sudakov exchange

$$F_1^{(1)} = -4x^2 \int d\eta_1 d\eta_2 d\xi_1 d\xi_2 \phi^b(\eta_1, \xi_2) \phi^c(\eta_1, \xi_1) \phi^c(\xi_2, \eta_2) \phi^d(\eta_2) \phi^d(\xi_1) \\ \times \left[\phi^a(\eta_2, \xi_1) K_1(\eta_1, \eta_2, \xi_1, \xi_2) + K_2(\eta_1, \eta_2, \xi_1, \xi_2) \right]$$

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High-order double logarithms

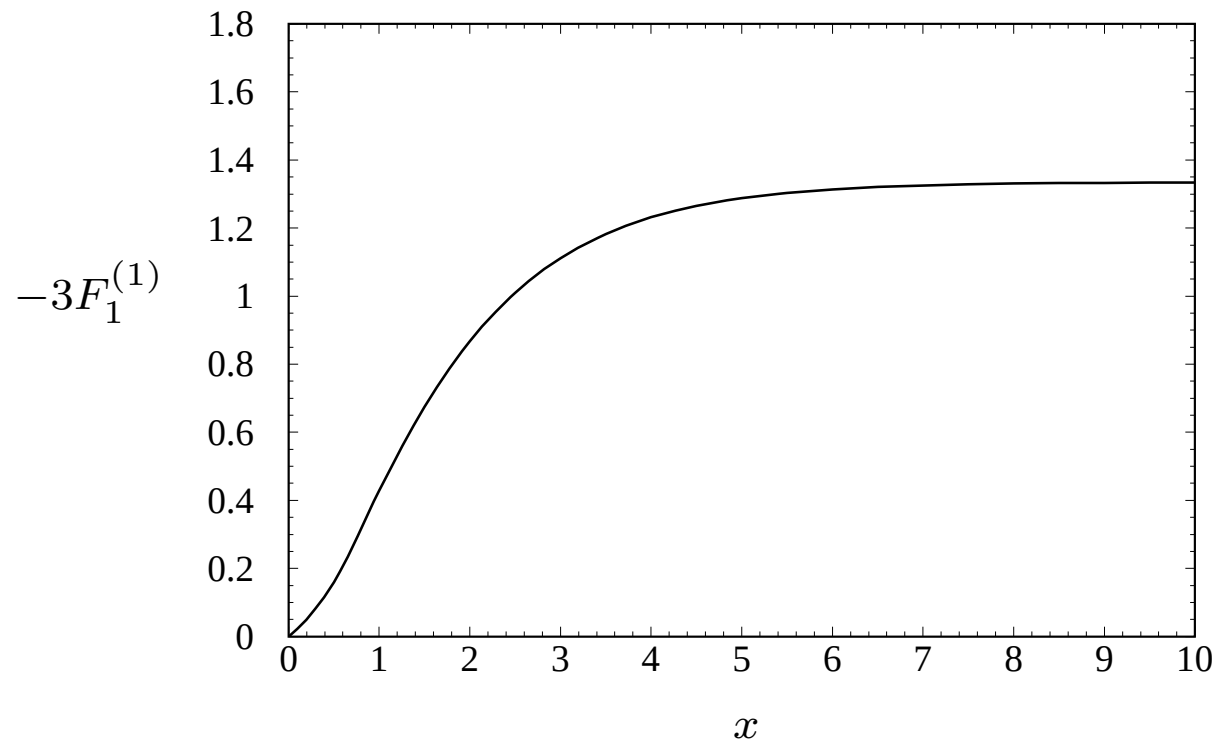
● *The series*

$$F_1^{(1)} = -\frac{x^2}{3} \left(1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n x^n \right)$$

● *The coefficients*

n	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$(-1)^n n! c_n$	$\frac{29}{30}$	$\frac{257}{210}$	$\frac{1231}{630}$	$\frac{396581}{103950}$	$\frac{5531381}{630630}$	$\frac{72078311}{3153150}$	$\frac{4510839803}{68918850}$

High-energy limit



➡ *double logarithmic enhancement*

High-energy limit

● Asymptotic value

$$F_1^{(1)}(x = \infty) = -0.444988 \dots$$

● *the approximation is valid for $|\ln \rho| \ll 1/\alpha$ i.e. $x \ll 1/\alpha$*

● Cf. electron-muon backward scattering

$$\sigma_{e^- \mu^- \rightarrow e^- \mu^-}(\theta = \pi) \sim e^{\sqrt{2x}}$$

(Gorshkov, Gribov, Lipatov, Frolov, 1968)

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- To be done
 - *amplitudes beyond two legs*
 - *QCD beyond two loops*
 - *subleading logs*