# e+e- collider processes in the intense electromagnetic fields at the interaction point

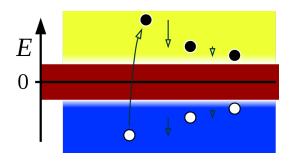
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# Preamble: Intense fields can polarise the vacuum



" In strong external fields the normal vacuum is unstable and decays into a new vacuum that contains real particles."

Greiner and Muller, QED of Strong Fields

- The Schwinger limit ( $E_{\rm cr}=10^{18}~{
  m V/m}$ )
- lacktriangle Particles in future linear colliders will see  $E o E_{
  m cr}$
- lacktriangle How do we incorporate these vacuum changes in a QFT ightarrow phenomenology?



# **Synopsis**

- 1. The next generation of linear colliders has strong fields at the IP
- 2. Strong fields only partially taken into account at 1st order
- 3. The Furry picture incorporates the IP fields exactly
- 4. The Furry picture predicts distinct phenomenology
- 5. Theoretical development required (solutions, tran probs)
- 6. We are in an era of experimental tests of this phenomenology
- 7. A new strong field event generator is required

# (W.H.) Furry Picture

• Separate gauge field into external  $A_{\mu}^{\rm ext}$  and quantum  $A_{\mu}$  parts

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{L}_{\text{QED}}^{\text{Int}} = & \bar{\psi}(i\rlap{/}\partial - m)\psi - \frac{1}{4}(F_{\mu\nu})^2 - e\bar{\psi}(\rlap{/}A^{\text{ext}} + \rlap{/}A)\,\psi \\ \\ \mathcal{L}_{\text{QED}}^{\text{FP}} = & \bar{\psi}^{\text{FP}}(i\rlap{/}\partial - e\rlap{/}A^{\text{ext}} - m)\psi^{\text{FP}} - \frac{1}{4}(F_{\mu\nu})^2 - e\bar{\psi}^{\text{FP}} \not{A}\,\psi^{\text{FP}} \end{split}$$



• Euler-Lagrange equation  $\to$  new equations of motion requires exact (w.r.t.  $A^{\rm ext}$ ) solutions  $\psi^{\rm FP}$ 

$$(i\partial\!\!\!/\!-eA\!\!\!/^{\rm ext}\!-\!m)\psi^{\rm FP}=0$$

- For certain classes of external fields (plane waves, Coloumb fields and combinations) exact solutions exist [Volkov z Physik 94 250 (1935), Bagrov and Gitman Exact solutions of Rel wave equations (1990)]
- A QFT which is non-perturbative wrt external gauge field  $A^{\rm ext}$  and perturbative wrt  $\psi^{\rm FP}, A$



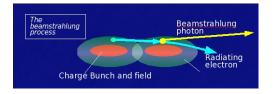
# theoretical aspects of the Furry Picture

- External field makes space-time inhomogeneous so propagator depends on separate space-time points rather than on the difference between them [Berestetski Lifshitz Pitaevski, QED §109]
- Normalised IN and OUT states can be formed and LSZ extended to include such states [Meyer, J Math Phys 11 312 (1970)]
- Vanishing field strength at  $t = \pm \infty \rightarrow$  stable vacuum
- Vacuum can be polarised so must include tadpole diagrams [Schweber Relativistic QFT §15g]
- Operator and path integral representations for generating functional [Fradkin, QED in an unstable vacuum]
- Anomalous magnetic moment (one-loop) in a const crossed field varies from  $\frac{\alpha}{2\pi}$  [Ritus, JETP 30 1181 (1970)]

$$\frac{\Delta\mu}{\mu_0} = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{2\pi \, dx}{(1+x)^3} \left(\frac{x}{\Upsilon}\right)^{1/3} \operatorname{Gi}\left(\frac{x}{\Upsilon}\right)^{1/3}$$



# Strong fields at the collider Interaction Point



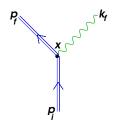
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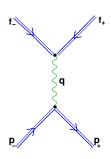
$$\Upsilon = \frac{e|\vec{a}|}{mE_{\rm cr}}(k \cdot p)$$

- ullet  $\Upsilon$  depends on collider bunch parameters and the pinch effect
- Future linear colliders will have "strong" IP fields
- All collider processes are potentially "strong field processes"

Machine	LEP2	SLC	ILC	CLIC
E (GeV)	94.5	46.6	500	1500
$N(\times 10^{10})$	334	4	2	0.37
$\sigma_x, \sigma_y \; (\mu m)$	190, 3	2.1, 0.9	0.49, 0.002	0.045, 0.001
$\sigma_z$ (mm)	20	1.1	0.15	0.044
$\Upsilon_{av}$	0.00015	0.001	0.24	4.9

# Strong field processes at Collider IP





#### 1st order:

- Beamstrahlung & coherent pair production
- beam-beam simulations (CAIN, Guinea-PIG)
- basis of ISR/FSR simulations
- 1-vertex permitted  $p_i + rk p_f k_f = 0$
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#### 2nd order:

- Need exact solutions in fields of both bunches
- Need to obtain the cross-section for a generic 2nd order process
- $\bullet \;$  crosscheck: "normal processes" in limit  $E \to 0$



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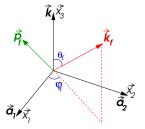
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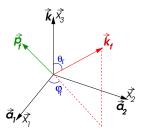
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Orthornormality and Completeness of Volkov solutions [Ritus, Ann Phys 69 552 (1971), Bergou and Varro, J Phys A 13 2823 (1980), Zakowicz JMathPhys 46 032304 (2005)]

$$\int \frac{d^4x}{(2\pi)^4} e^{i[S^p(kx)-S^q(kx)]} = \delta^{(4)}(q-p)$$

$$\int \frac{d^4p}{(2\pi)^4} e^{i[S^p(kx)-S^p(ky)]} = \delta^{(4)}(x-y)$$

#### Volkov-type solutions

#### known solutions

- Single plane wave field [Volkov, Z Phys 1935]
- Circ/Linearly polarised field, constant field [Nikishov and Ritus, JETP 1964]
- Elliptically polarised field [Lyulka, JETP 40 p815 1975]
- 2 collinear orthogonal fields [Lyulka 1975, Pardy 2004]
- Coulomb fields + combinations [Bagrov Gitman, Exact sols of Rel wave eqns 1990]

#### General procedure

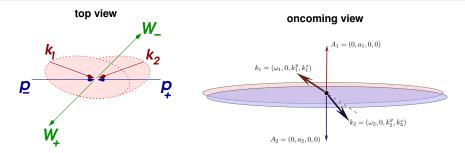
Klein-Gordon: 
$$(D^2 + m^2) \phi_e = 0 \rightarrow \text{Volkov phase}$$

2nd order Dirac: 
$$\left(D^2+m^2\pm\frac{ie}{2}F^{\mu\nu}\sigma_{\mu\nu}\right)\psi_e=0$$
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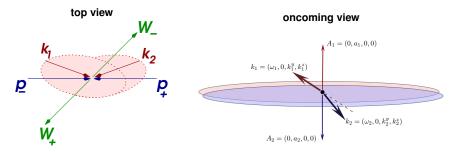
Dirac: 
$$(i \not \! D - m) \psi_e = 0 \rightarrow \text{particular solution}$$



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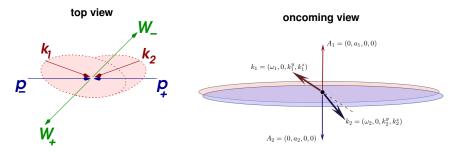
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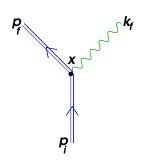
solution is a product of Volkov solutions

$$\begin{split} \left[i\partial\!\!\!/ - e \mathbb{A}_+ - e \mathbb{A}_- - m\right] \psi^{\mathsf{FP}} &= 0 \implies \psi^{\mathsf{FP}} = e^{-i \left[p \cdot x + \mathcal{S}_+^p + \mathcal{S}_-^p\right]} u_r(p) \\ \text{where} \quad \mathcal{S}_+^p &= \int \frac{2e A_+(\phi) \cdot p - e^2 A_+(\phi)^2 - e \mathbb{A}_+(\phi) \not k_1}{2k_1 \cdot p} \ d\phi \end{split}$$



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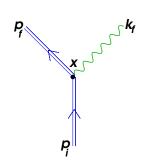
$$\begin{split} \gamma_{\mu}^{\mathrm{FP}}(p_f,p_i) &= e^{i\left[\mathcal{S}_{+}^{p_f} + \mathcal{S}_{-}^{p_f}\right]} \gamma_{\mu} \, e^{-i\left[\mathcal{S}_{+}^{p_i} + \mathcal{S}_{-}^{p_i}\right]} \\ \gamma_{\mu}^{\mathrm{FP}}(p_f,p_i) &\to \int dr_1 dr_2 \, \mathcal{F}^{-1}\Big[\gamma_{\mu}^{\mathrm{FP}}(p_f,p_i)\Big] \, \, e^{i(r_1k_1 + r_2k_2)x} \end{split}$$

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two constant crossed fields leads to BesselK functions

$$A_{\mu}^{\rm ext} = a_{1\mu}(k_1 \cdot x) + a_{2\mu}(k_2 \cdot x) : \quad \mathcal{F}^{\text{-1}} \Big[ \gamma_{\mu}^{\rm FP}(p_f, p_i) \Big] \propto K_{\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}}(z) \label{eq:ext_prop} \ .$$

Traces are more complicated, and integration over final states needs care [Hartin and Moortgat-Pick EPJC (2011)]

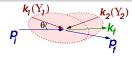
$$\frac{|M_{fi}|^2}{VT} = -e^2 \int \frac{d{\pmb r_1} d{\pmb r_2}}{VT} \; {\rm Tr}[..{\pmb r_1}..{\pmb r_2}..] \; \frac{d\vec p_f d\vec k_f}{4\omega_f \epsilon_f} \; \delta^{(4)} \big(p_f + k_f - p_i - {\pmb r_1} {\pmb k_1} - {\pmb r_2} {\pmb k_2}\big)$$



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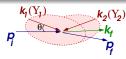
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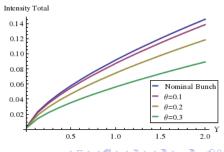
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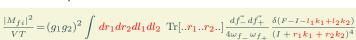
- Total intensity depends on field strength and angles
- ullet depends on bunch disruption
- for ultra-relativistic bunches  $\theta$  small
- Expt test with laser fields where  $\theta$  can be large
- Radiation angle needs closer examination!

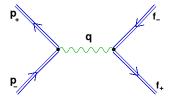


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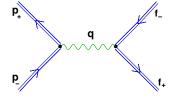




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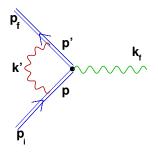


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The pole structure depends on  $r_1, r_2$  and is not standard need careful consideration of loops

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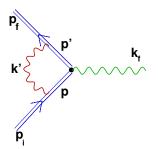
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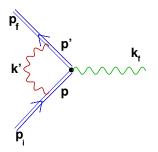
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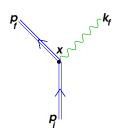
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- Additional poles in the residue which match those in the tree level FP processwa
- Vertex function can be same order as tree-level diagram must include!



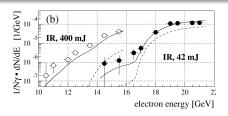
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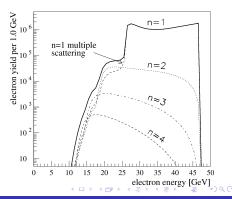


- Collided intense laser (10<sup>18</sup> W/cm<sup>2</sup>) with 46.6 GeV electrons
- $\bullet \ \ \text{effective momentum} \ q = p \frac{e^2 a^2}{2k \cdot p} k$

$$(\sum_{n})$$
  $q_i + nk \to q_f + k_f$ 

- Compton-like scattering (HICS)
- Compton edge shifted by multiphoton effects

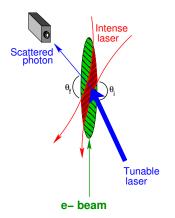




# Experimental tests - ILC, Flash, XFEL, ...

Experiment	$\lambda(\mu m)$	$E_{laser}$	focus	pulse	I(W/cm <sup>2</sup> )	$E_{e^-}({\sf GeV})$	$\nu^2$
1990s E144 (SLAC)	1	2 J	60 $\mu m^2$	1.5 ps	$\approx 10^{18}$	46.6	0.4
2010s (PL 9000)	1	3 J	40 $\mu m^2$	0.5 ps	$6.75\times10^{18}$	?	2.7

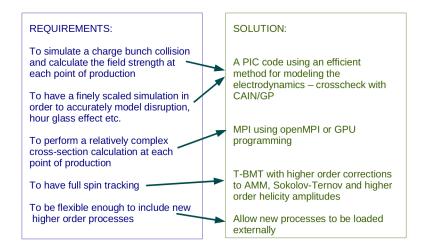
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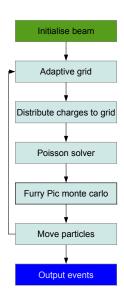


- Onset of detectable FP Compton scattering effects from  $\nu^2 = 0.1$
- Can detect with today's technology
- The ratio of photon energies, incident, scattered angles is what's important
- Works too for two photon pair production, no e- beam, 2 tunable lasers

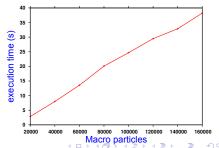
# Requirements for a strong field event generator



# IPstrong - towards a strong field event generator



- Fortran 2003 with openMPI (Fortran 2008 has inbuilt gpu)
- 3D electrostatic poisson solver (MPI)
- Furry picture processes replace all other processes
- output in multiple formats (stdhep, lcio)
- cross-checks with existing programs



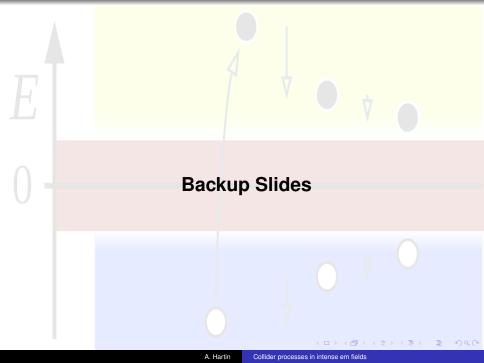
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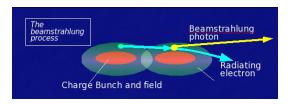
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- opportunities to experimentally test FP effects becoming available
- Need new event generator for FP monte carlo during real bunch collision





# Collider strong field physics



"Strong field processes are physics processes calculated simultaneously in the normal perturbation theory as well as exactly with respect to a strong electromagnetic field."

" Such calculations are necessary when the external field seen by a particle approaches or exceeds  $E_{\rm cr}$ ."



# Equiv Photon Approx and Perturbation expansion

- decompose external field into n equivalent photons
- sum the series to desired order of accuracy



$$G^{e} = G + G\hat{V}G + G\hat{V}G\hat{V}G + \dots$$
$$G = (p^{2} - m^{2})^{-1}$$
$$\hat{V} = 2eA^{e} \cdot p - e^{2}A^{e^{2}}$$

- within certain constraints:
  - scalar particle
  - monochromatic photons the summation can be performed (Reiss Eberly 1966)
- Can the entire summation be performed in general?
- The alternative is the Furry/Feynman method...



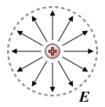
#### Infinite momentum frame

- QED can be formulated in a Lorentz frame moving at the limit of the speed of light (Kogut & Soper Phys Rev D 1(10) 2901 (1970))
- regular coordinates (t,x,y,z) can be expressed in light cone coordinates  $x_\pm=\frac{1}{2}(t\pm z)\;;\;x_\perp=(x,y)$
- light cone dirac matrices separate into sub-algebras whose members anti-commute  $\gamma_\pm\gamma_\perp=-\gamma_\perp\gamma_\pm$
- light cone scalar products are  $a.b = 2a_+b_- + 2a_-b_+ a_\perp.b_\perp$



# Strong fields at the collider IP

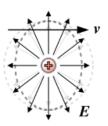
- moving charge has longitudinal length contraction
- relativistic charge bunch produces constant crossed plane wave field



$$A_{\mu} = a_{1\mu}(k \cdot x)$$
$$a_{1\mu} = (0, \vec{a})$$

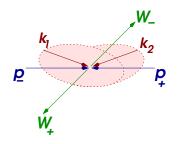
 $\bullet$  particle p sees a field strength parameter  $\Upsilon$ 

$$\Upsilon = \frac{e|\vec{a}|}{mE_{\rm cr}}(k\cdot p)$$





# Volkov-type solutions in two external fields



- both incoming bunches contribute external fields
- external field wavevectors are generally anti-collinear
- Need new Volkov-type solution
- $\bullet$  strategy is to first solve Klein-Gordon equation  $(D^2+m_W^2)\phi_e^\pm$

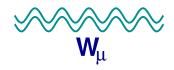
$$\phi_e^{\pm} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\epsilon_p V}} \int dr \, \exp\left[-ib \, p \cdot x - ireA_e - \frac{(r-f)^2}{2|z|}\right]$$

 For constant crossed field Dirac equation solution proceeds from the Klein-Gordon solution



#### W boson Volkov Solution

Equation of motion for the W boson



$$(D^2 + m_W^2)W_\nu + i2eF^{\mu}_{\ \nu}W_\mu = 0, \quad D^{\mu}W_\mu = 0$$

• with solution  $W_{\mu} = E_p^W e^{-ip \cdot x} w_p$  where

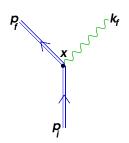
$$E_p^W = \left(g_{\mu\nu} + \frac{e}{k \cdot p} \int F_{\mu\nu} - \frac{e^2}{2(k \cdot p)^2} A^{e2} k_{\mu} k_{\nu}\right)$$

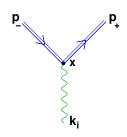
$$\cdot \exp\left[-\frac{i}{2(k \cdot p)} \left(2e(A^e \cdot p) - e^2 A^{e2}\right)\right]$$

ullet similar solutions can be found for other particles that couple to  $A^e$ 



# Beamstrahlung, incoherent/coherent pair production



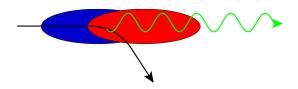


- IP beam-beam simulators CAIN, Guinea-Pig
- beamstrahlung & coherent pair production calculated via quasi-classical approx
- incoherent pairs calculated with beamstrahlung photon and equivalent photon approx (EPA)
- more exactly these are 1st and 2nd order Furry picture processes

bkgd pairs		current	proposed	
coherent		quasi-classical	1 vertex	
			Furry picture	
incohere	ent	EPA	2 vertex	
			Furry picture	



# Formation length



" distance travelled by a charged particle while a radiated photon moves one wavelength in front of it"

**A bad argument:** "If the bunch is sufficiently short we dont need to worry about strong field effects"

- classical argument that only applies to the beamstrahlung
- strong field propagator integrated over all length scales

