

Perturbative and colorful lectures on **Strong Interactions**

lecture 1/4

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Bohr magneton: $\mu_N = e\hbar/2m_Nc$

we would naively expect $\mu_p = 1$ and $\mu_n = 0$

\Rightarrow first sign of nucleon charged sub-structure !

- Part 1 -

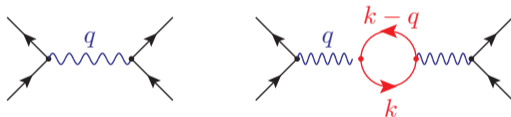
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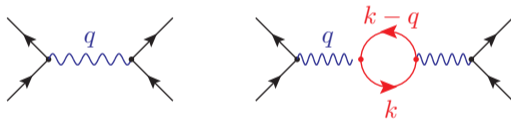
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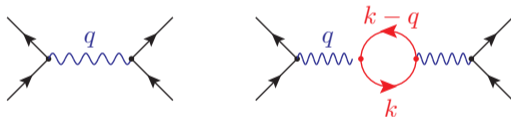
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trace because we sum over fermions spin states

does the trace converge ?

$$\int \frac{d^4 k}{(k^2 - m^2)^2} = \int \frac{k^3}{(k^2 - m^2)^2} dk d\Omega$$

divergent for $k \rightarrow \infty$

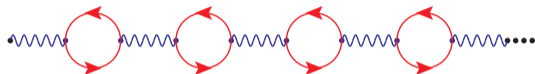
$$\int^{\infty} \frac{dk}{k} \rightarrow \int^{\mu_R} \frac{dk}{k} \quad \rightarrow \text{we introduce a cutoff}$$

the integral give a log, the **effective** charge is given by:

$$e_{\text{eff}}^2(1\text{loop}) = ie_0^2 \gamma^\mu \frac{g_{\mu\nu}}{q^2} \gamma^\nu \left[1 + \frac{e_0^2}{12\pi^2} \ln \left(\frac{m^2 - q^2}{\mu_R^2} \right) + \frac{e_0^2}{12\pi^2} F(q^2) \right]$$

where $F(q^2)$ is a finite function vanishing for $q^2 \rightarrow \infty$.

Adding more loops

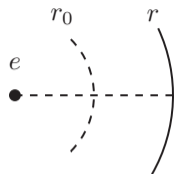


$$e_{eff}^2 = e_0^2 \left[1 + \frac{e_0^2}{3\pi} \ln \left(\frac{m^2 - q^2}{\mu_{UV}^2} \right) + \left(\frac{e_0^2}{3\pi} \ln \left(\frac{m^2 - q^2}{\mu_{UV}^2} \right) \right)^2 + \dots \right]$$

behaves arithmetic sequence, whose sum is (using $Q^2 = -q^2$):

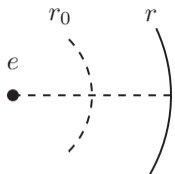
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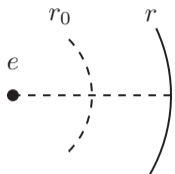
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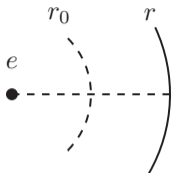


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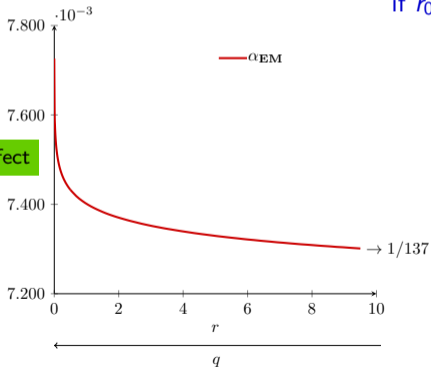
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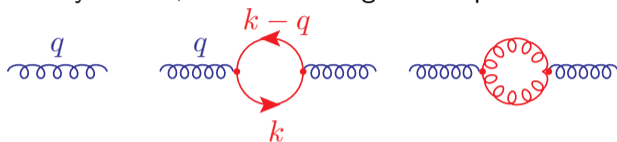
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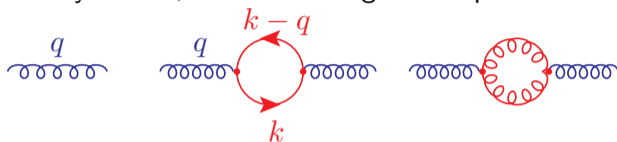


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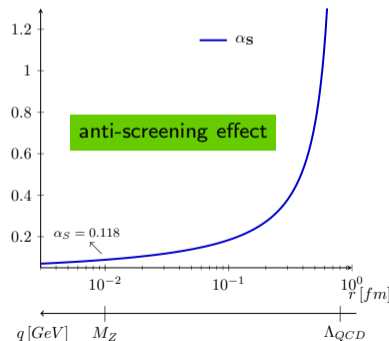
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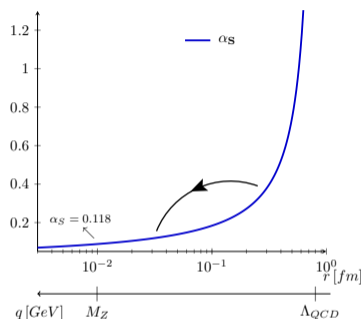
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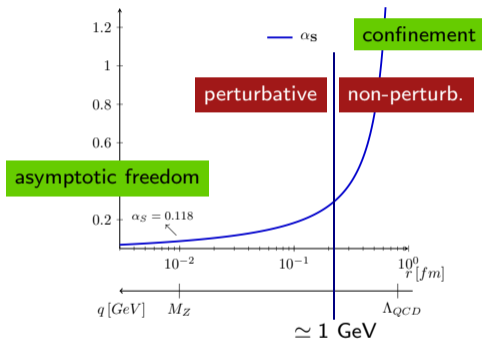
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- to apply perturbative methods: $\alpha_s \ll 1$
i.e. $Q \gg \Lambda_{QCD}$
- if non-pert. (no Fey. diag, etc) but \mathcal{L}_{QCD} is valid

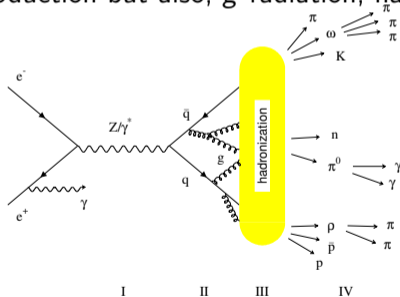


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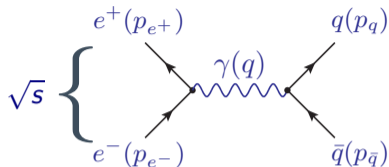
e^+e^- annihilation and QCD

quark production from e^-e^+ annihilation

- the **cleanest way** to produce quarks is from e^-e^+ annihilations:
 - **no color** charge in the initial state
 - pure **electroweak** process (at LO)
 - initial state momentum fully transferred to the $q\bar{q}$
- allows us to study q production but also, g radiation, hadronisation,...



- at LO, for γ exchange only:



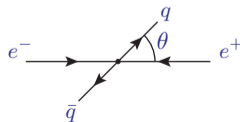
- negl. mass terms :

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- only 1 degree of freedom

- in the c.m.s.:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta} = \frac{\pi\alpha^2}{2s} N_c Q_i^2 (1 + \cos^2\theta)$$



access to quark electric charges

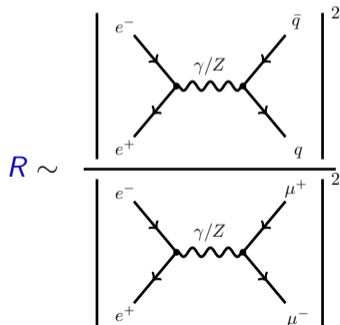
- as all hadrons come from quarks and that hadrons only come from quarks :

$$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow X(\text{any hadron})) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_f} \sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow q_i\bar{q}_i) = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{3s} N_c \sum_{i=1}^{N_f} Q_i^2$$

- we can study the observable:

$$R = \frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow X)}{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)} = \frac{\frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{3s} N_c \sum_{i=1}^{N_f} Q_i^2}{\frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{3s}} = N_c \sum_{i=1}^{N_f} Q_i^2$$

- is this very simple model realistic ?



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$$= 3 \left[\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{-1}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{-1}{3}\right)^2 + \dots \right]$$

$$= 2 \quad \text{for } 2m_s \ll \sqrt{s} \ll 2m_c$$

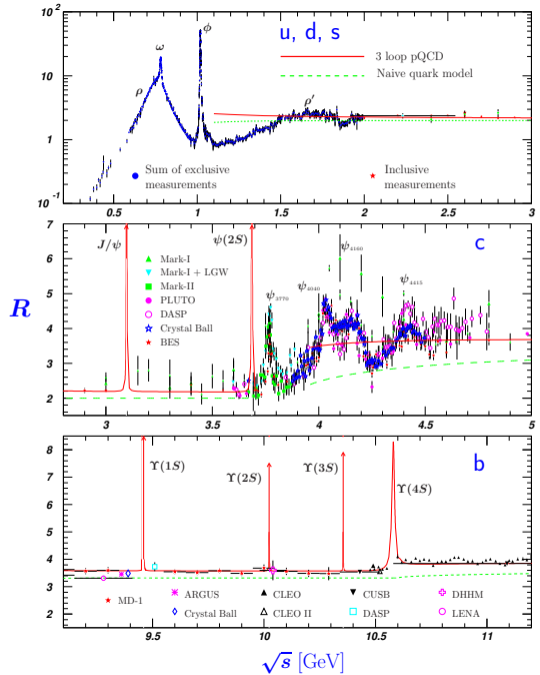
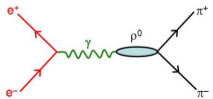
$$= 10/3 \quad \text{for } 2m_c \ll \sqrt{s} \ll 2m_b$$

$$= 11/3 \quad \text{for } 2m_b \ll \sqrt{s} \ll m_Z$$

- amazing success if away from resonances

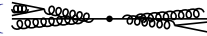
quark charges are as expected

- if close to a resonance, the important npQCD corrections only in the numerator



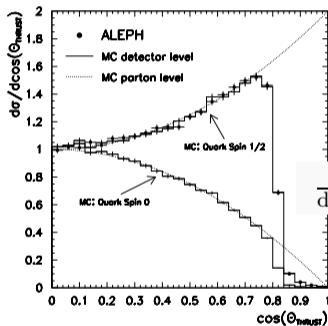
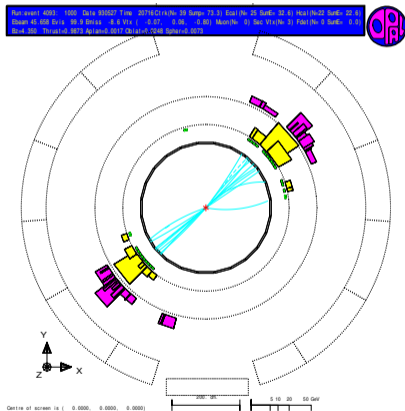
jets - during the had. process, hadrons are forming around the initial quark direction

- two particles below to different jets only if

jet {  } jet

$$p_i \cdot p_j \gg \Lambda_{QCD}^2$$

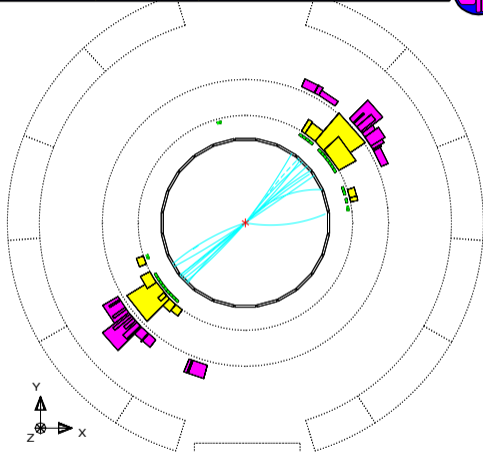
- angular measurement:



the quark are spin 1/2 !

- excellent agreement between jet and quark directions

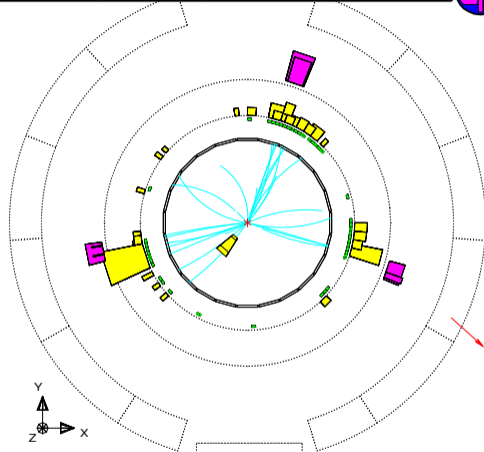
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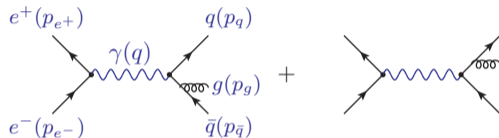


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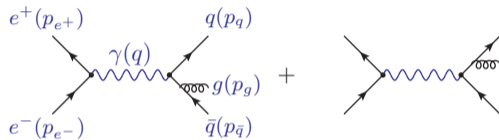
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1) couplings: $\alpha^2 \rightarrow \alpha^2 \alpha_S$ - first QCD correction

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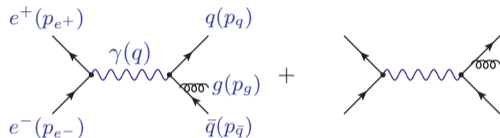
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2) factors: $N_c \rightarrow C_F N_c$

C_F is the color combinatorial for one gluon radiation from a quark with a given color, $C_F = 4/3$ (coming from the λ^a)

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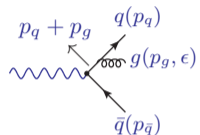
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3) kinematics:

- note that: $q^4 = 4(p_{e^+} \cdot p_{e^-})(p_q \cdot p_{\bar{q}})$

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- putting them together and after sum over the gluon polarisation states (only 2 transverse states):

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- note : the sign difference comes from the orientation of $\vec{\epsilon}$

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 it presents singularities 

if $p_q \cdot p_g \rightarrow 0$ and/or $p_{\bar{q}} \cdot p_g \rightarrow 0$

two singularities

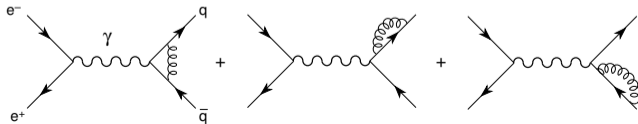
$$\begin{aligned} p_q \cdot p_g &= E_q E_g - \vec{p}_q \cdot \vec{p}_g = E_q E_g - |\vec{p}_q| |\vec{p}_g| \cos \theta_{qg} \\ &\simeq E_q E_g (1 - \cos \theta_{qg}) \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow singularities for $p_q \cdot p_g \rightarrow 0$ (same for $\bar{q}g$):

- $E_g \rightarrow 0$ (soft gluon limit)
- $\theta_{qg} \rightarrow 0$ (collinear limit)

- they correspond to a double pole (when both limits occur at the same time) and a single pole.

- these IR poles are **exactly cancelled** by the virtual correction UV poles



comparison to data

$$d\sigma_{q\bar{q}g} = \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} C_F \left[\frac{p_{\bar{q}}}{p_{\bar{q}} \cdot p_g} - \frac{p_q}{p_q \cdot p_g} \right]^2 \frac{d^3 p_g}{(2\pi)^3 p_g^0} d\sigma_{q\bar{q}}$$

- the cross section has **2 physical degrees of freedom** :

+9 free variables ($d^3 p_q, d^3 p_{\bar{q}}, d^3 p_g$)

-4 relations (E, \vec{P} conservation)

-3 independent (non relevant here - unpolaratised case) Euler angles

= 2

- we choose : $x_q = 2E_q/\sqrt{s}$ $x_{\bar{q}} = 2E_{\bar{q}}/\sqrt{s}$ $x_g = 2E_g/\sqrt{s}$

related by $x_q + x_{\bar{q}} + x_g = 2$ and $1 - x_i = \frac{1}{2} x_j x_k (1 - \cos \theta_{jk})$

$$\frac{d^2 \sigma_{q\bar{q}g}}{dx_q dx_{\bar{q}}} = \frac{\alpha_S}{2\pi} C_F \frac{x_q^2 + x_{\bar{q}}^2}{(1 - x_q)(1 - x_{\bar{q}})} \sigma_{q\bar{q}}$$

- 2 singularities correspond to $x_q \rightarrow 1$ and $x_{\bar{q}} \rightarrow 1$

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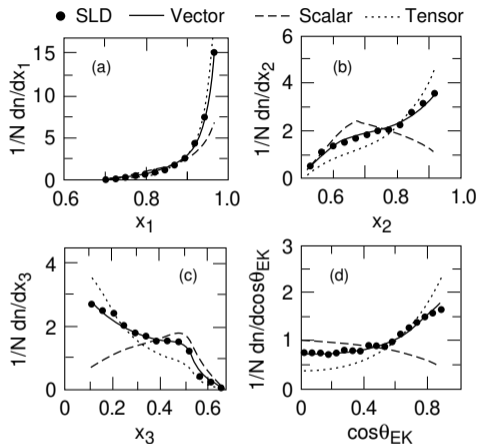
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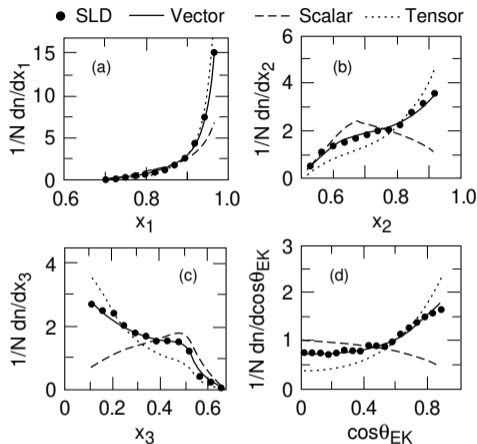
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gluons are spin 1 !

pure vectorial current (γ^μ)



That's all for today