

# $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ at NLO matched with PS in BabaYaga@NLO

The Evaluation of the Leading Hadronic Contribution to the Muon  $g - 2$ .  
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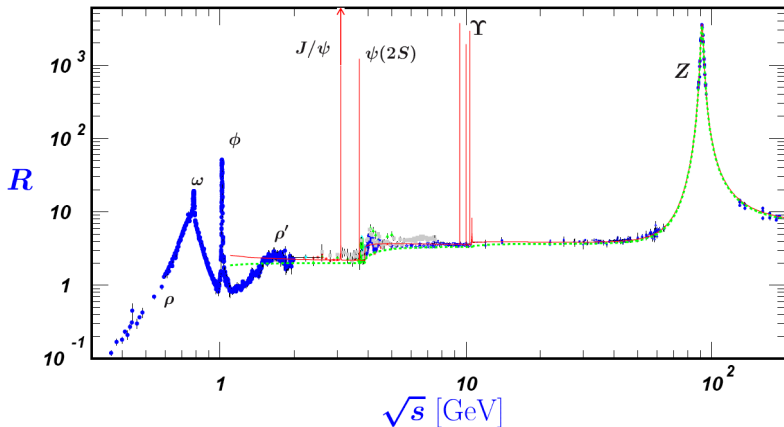
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# Introduction

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Determination of the time-like Hadronic VP contribution to the g-2 of the muon

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLO}} = \frac{\alpha}{\pi^2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{ds}{s} K(s) \left( \frac{\alpha(s)}{3} \frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons})}{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)} \right)$$



$e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$  can be described using scalar QED

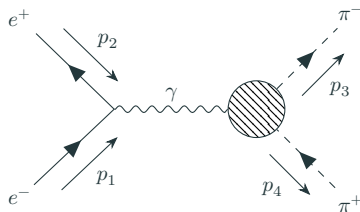
## sQED $\otimes$ QED Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{sQED}}^{\text{int}} = -e\bar{\psi}\gamma^\mu\psi A_\mu - ieA_\mu(\phi^*\partial^\mu\phi - \partial^\mu\phi^*\phi) + e^2A_\mu A^\mu\phi^*\phi$$

However pions do have an internal non perturbative structure  $\Rightarrow$  Form Factor

- At **LO**, the VFF factorises
- At **NLO** the VFF model is crucial

The tree level cross section is computed in the  $F_\pi \times$  sQED approach



## LO Cross section

$$\frac{d\sigma^{\text{LO}}}{d\cos\theta} = \frac{\alpha^2\pi}{4s} \beta_\pi^3 (1 - \beta_e^2 \cos^2\theta) |F_\pi(s)|^2$$

- Kinematics is kept **massive**
- The Form factor is factorised
- Symmetric for  $\theta \rightarrow -\theta$

We can define the forward/backward (charge) asymmetry as

$A_{FB}$

$$A_{FB} = \frac{\sigma_B - \sigma_F}{\sigma_B + \sigma_F}$$

$$\sigma_F = \int_0^1 d\sigma(\cos\theta), \quad \sigma_B = \int_{-1}^0 d\sigma(\cos\theta)$$

The asymmetry is identically zero at LO but gets an NLO contribution from Initial Final State interference

$$\begin{aligned} A_{FB}^{\text{NLO}} &= A_{FB}^{\text{LO}} + \frac{\alpha}{\pi} A_{FB}^{\alpha} \\ &= 0 + \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \left( \frac{\sigma_B^{\text{odd}} - \sigma_F^{\text{odd}}}{\sigma^{\text{NLO}}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Where the odd part is

$$\sigma^{\text{odd}} = \frac{d\sigma_{\text{LO}}}{d\cos\theta} (\delta_V + \delta_S) + \frac{d\sigma_H}{d\cos\theta}$$

## NLO PS calculation in factorised sQED

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The exact NLO cross section can be written as

### NLO cross section

$$\sigma_{\text{NLO}} = \sigma_{2 \rightarrow 2} + \sigma_{2 \rightarrow 3} = \sigma_{\text{LO}} + \sigma_{\text{SV}} + \sigma_{\text{H}},$$

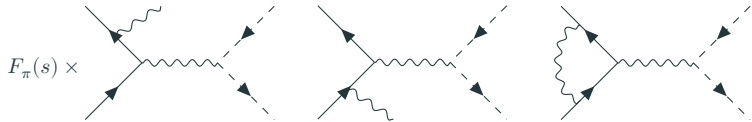
where the splitting is given by

$$\sigma_{2 \rightarrow 2} = \frac{1}{F} \left\{ \int d\Phi_0 |\mathcal{M}_0|^2 + \int d\Phi_0 2\text{Re}(\mathcal{M}_0^\dagger \mathcal{M}_V(\lambda)) \right\} = \sigma_{\text{LO}} + \sigma_V(\lambda),$$

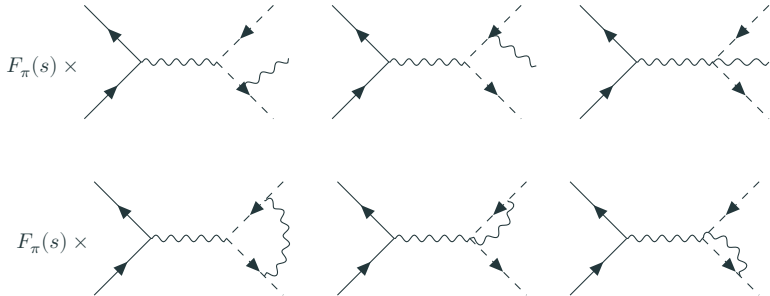
$$\sigma_{2 \rightarrow 3} = \frac{1}{F} \left\{ d\Phi_1 |\mathcal{M}_{2 \rightarrow 3}|^2 + \int_{|\mathbf{k}| > \Delta E} d\Phi_1 |\mathcal{M}_{2 \rightarrow 3}|^2 \right\} = \sigma_{\text{soft}}(\lambda) + \sigma_{\text{H}},$$

- $m_{\text{ph}}^2 = \lambda^2$  regularisation for IR divergences
- On-shell renormalisation of UV divergences
- Phase-space slicing for soft-hard bremsstrahlung

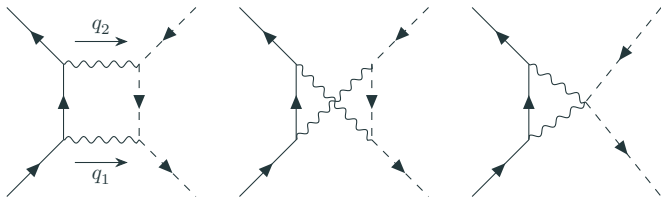
## Initial State Radiation



## Final State Radiation



For ISR and FSR the soft limit is clear. In IFI diagrams to which vertex we assign the form factor?



The  $F_\pi \times$  sQED approach is justified because the IR divergence appears when

$$q_2 \rightarrow 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad F(q_1^2) \rightarrow F(s), F(q_2^2) \rightarrow 1$$

$$q_1 \rightarrow 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad F(q_2^2) \rightarrow F(s), F(q_1^2) \rightarrow 1$$

However the factorised prescription is valid only in the **soft limit**

The NLO is matched with a fully exclusive parton shower

## PS master formula

$$d\sigma_{\text{matched}} = F_{\text{SV}} \Pi(\varepsilon, Q^2) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left( \prod_{i=1}^n F_{\text{H},i} \right) |\mathcal{M}_n^{\text{PS}}|^2 d\Phi_n$$

For the  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$  process, the Sudakov form factor  $\Pi(\varepsilon, Q^2)$  is a combination of the scalar and spinor ones

$$\Pi(\varepsilon, Q^2) = \exp \left\{ -\frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \int_0^{1-\varepsilon} dz P(z) \int d\Omega_k \mathcal{I}(k) \right\}.$$

where the Altarelli Parisi vertex is given by

$$P_f(z) = \frac{1+z^2}{1-z}, \quad P_s(z) = \frac{2z}{1-z}.$$

$$I_+^{\text{QED}}(\varepsilon) = \int_0^{1-\varepsilon} dz P_f(z) = -2 \ln \varepsilon - \frac{3}{2} + 2\varepsilon - \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon^2, \quad (1)$$

$$I_+^{\text{sQED}}(\varepsilon) = \int_0^{1-\varepsilon} dz P_s(z) = -2 \ln \varepsilon - 2 + 2\varepsilon. \quad (2)$$

## Handling the internal structure of the pion

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Assuming the analyticity of  $F_\pi(q^2)$  on the complex plane, one can write a dispersion relation

## Dispersion Relation

$$F_\pi(q^2) = 1 - \frac{q^2}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\text{Im}F_\pi(s')}{s'}$$

From analytical properties, one has the sum rule (satisfied for a certain cutoff  $\Lambda^2$ )

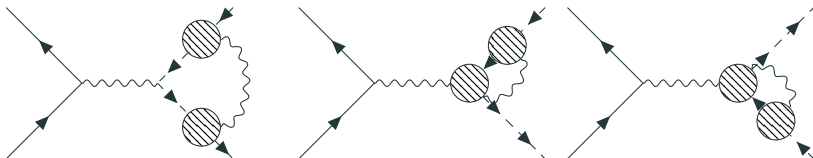
$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{ds'}{s'} \text{Im}F_\pi(s') = 1.$$

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<sup>1</sup>Gilberto Colangelo et al. “Radiative corrections to the forward-backward asymmetry in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ ”. In: *JHEP* 08 (2022), p. 295. doi: [10.1007/JHEP08\(2022\)295](https://doi.org/10.1007/JHEP08(2022)295). arXiv: [2207.03495](https://arxiv.org/abs/2207.03495) [hep-ph]

Inserting  $F_\pi(q^2)$  in the FSR  $\Rightarrow$  shift in renormalization constants.  
The IR structure is unaffected.

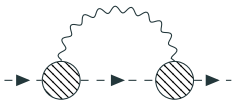
$$2\text{Re} \frac{\mathcal{M}_0 \mathcal{M}_{\text{FSR}}}{|\mathcal{M}_0|^2} = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} (\text{Re} \delta^{\text{FSR}} + \delta Z_\phi)$$



The tree level propagator is treated in the factorised approach  $F_\pi(s) \times \text{FSR}$ . The other two VFF

$$\delta^{\text{FSR}} = \left\{ \delta^{\text{FSR}} - \frac{2}{\pi} \int \frac{ds'}{s'} \text{Im} F_\pi(s') \delta_{\text{FSR}}^{\text{disp}}(s') \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{\pi^2} \int ds' \int \frac{ds''}{s''} \frac{\text{Im} F_\pi(s') \text{Im} F_\pi(s'')}{s'' - s'} (\delta_{\text{FSR}}^{\text{disp}}(s'') s'' - \delta_{\text{FSR}}^{\text{disp}}(s') s') \right\}$$

In the same way the self energy gets finite contributions

$$\Sigma_\pi(p^2) = \text{diagram} = e^2 \int \frac{d^D q}{(2\pi)^D} \left\{ -\frac{(2p+q)^2 F_\pi^2(q^2)}{((q+p)^2 - m_\pi^2)q^2} \right\}$$


$$\int d^D q \quad \rightarrow \quad -\frac{\partial}{\partial p^2} \quad \rightarrow \quad \int \frac{ds'}{s'}$$

$$\delta Z_\phi^{\text{point}} \equiv -\left. \frac{\partial \Sigma_\pi(p^2, m_\pi^2, 0)}{\partial p^2} \right|_{p^2=m_\pi^2} \quad \delta Z_\phi^{\text{disp}} \equiv -\left. \frac{\partial \Sigma_\pi(p^2, m_\pi^2, s')}{\partial p^2} \right|_{p^2=m_\pi^2}$$

The complete counterterm in the dispersive approach reads

$$\delta Z_\phi = \left\{ \delta Z_\phi^{\text{point}} - \frac{2}{\pi} \int \frac{ds'}{s'} \text{Im} F_\pi(s') \delta Z_\phi^{\text{disp}}(s') \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{\pi^2} \int ds' \int \frac{ds''}{s''} \frac{\text{Im} F_\pi(s') \text{Im} F_\pi(s'')}{s'' - s'} (\delta Z_\phi^{\text{disp}}(s'') s'' - Z_\phi^{\text{disp}}(s') s') \right\}$$



# Initial-Final interference

In the box we have two form factors evaluated at two different momenta

$$\delta_{|F|}^{\text{disp}} = \delta(\lambda^2, \lambda^2)$$

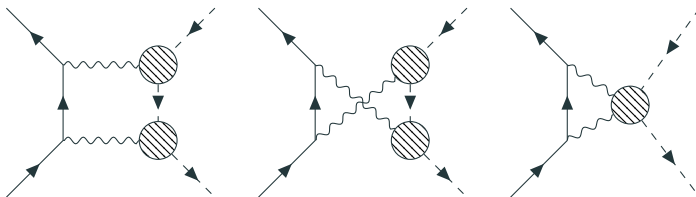
$$- \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\Lambda^2} \frac{ds'}{s'} \text{Im}F_\pi(s') [\delta(s', \lambda^2) + \delta(\lambda^2, s')]$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\pi^2} \int \int \frac{ds' ds''}{s' s''} \text{Im}F_\pi(s') \text{Im}F_\pi(s'') \delta(s', s'')$$

pole-pole

pole-dispersive

dispersive-dispersive



$$\frac{1}{|F_\pi(s)|^2} \frac{2\text{Re}(\mathcal{M}_0^{\text{point}} \mathcal{M}_L^\dagger)}{|\mathcal{M}_0^{\text{point}}|^2} = \frac{1}{|F_\pi(s)|^2} \lim_{\lambda^2 \rightarrow 0} (\text{Re}F_\pi(s)\text{Re}\delta + \text{Im}F_\pi(s)\text{Im}\delta)$$

- Pole Pole

$$\delta(\lambda^2, \lambda^2) = \text{Re}\delta_{\text{pole-pole}}^{\text{non-IR}} + \frac{2}{s}\delta(\lambda^2) + i\text{Im}\delta_{\text{pole-pole}}$$

- Pole Dispersive

$$-\frac{2}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\Lambda^2} \frac{ds'}{s'} \text{Im}F_\pi(s') \left( \underbrace{\text{Re}\delta(s', \lambda^2) - \frac{1}{s-s'}\delta(\lambda^2)}_{\text{non-IR}} + \frac{1}{s-s'}\delta(\lambda^2) + i\text{Im}\delta(s') \right)$$

The Box IR divergence from the pole-disp Box is given by

$$2 \frac{\mathcal{M}_0^\dagger \mathcal{M}_0^\square(s, t, \lambda^2, s'; q \rightarrow 0)}{|\mathcal{M}_0|^2} = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \frac{2s}{s-s'} (m_e^2 + m_\pi^2 - t) C_0(m_e^2, m_\pi^2, t, m_e^2, \lambda^2, m_\pi^2)$$

- Dispersive Dispersive

$$+\frac{1}{\pi^2} \int \int \frac{ds' ds''}{s' s''} \text{Im}F(s') \text{Im}F(s'') (\text{Re}\delta(s', s'') + i\text{Im}\delta(s', s''))$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Re}\delta_{\text{IFI}}^{\text{disp}} = \text{Re}F_{\pi}(s) & \left( \text{Re}\delta_{\text{pole-pole}}^{\text{non-IR}} + \frac{2}{s}\delta(\lambda^2) \right. \\
 & - \frac{2}{\pi} \text{PV} \int_{4m_{\pi}^2}^{\Lambda^2} \frac{ds'}{s'} \text{Im}F_{\pi}(s') \left( \text{Re}\delta(s', \lambda^2) - \frac{1}{s-s'}\delta(\lambda^2) \right) \\
 & + \frac{2}{s} \text{Re}F_{\pi}(s)\delta(\lambda^2) - \frac{2}{s}\delta(\lambda^2) \\
 & \left. + \frac{1}{\pi^2} \int \int \frac{ds' ds''}{s' s''} \text{Im}F_{\pi}(s') \text{Im}F_{\pi}(s'') \text{Re}\delta(s', s'') \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

The infrared divergence of the imaginary part comes from the integration over  $s'$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Im}\delta_{\text{tot}} = \text{Im}F_{\pi}(s) & \left( \text{Im}\delta_{\text{pole-pole}} \right. \\
 & - \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{4m_{\pi}^2}^s \frac{ds'}{s'} (\text{Im}F_{\pi}(s') - \text{Im}F_{\pi}(s)) (\text{Im}\delta(s')) \\
 & \left. - \frac{2}{\pi} \text{Im}F_{\pi}(s) \int_{4m_{\pi}^2}^s \frac{ds'}{s'} \text{Im}\delta(s') \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

After Passarino-Veltmann tensor reduction, the correction is proportional to

$$\begin{aligned} & C_0(m_e^2, m_e^2, s, s', m_e^2, s'')s(u-t) \\ & + C_0(m_\pi^2, m_\pi^2, s, s', m_\pi^2, s'')(2m_\pi^2 - s)(t-u) \\ & D_0(m_e^2, m_e^2, m_\pi^2, m_\pi^2, s, t, s', m_e^2, s'', m_\pi^2) \times \\ & (m_e^2 + m_\pi^2 - t)(m_e^2(2m_\pi^2 - t + u - s' - s'') + m_\pi^4 + (m_\pi - t)^2 + t(s' + s'' - u)) \\ & - D_0(m_e^2, m_e^2, m_\pi^2, m_\pi^2, s, u, s', m_e^2, s'', m_\pi^2) \times \\ & (m_e^2 + m_\pi^2 - u)(m_e^2(2m_\pi^2 + t - u - s' - s'') + m_\pi^4 + (m_\pi - u)^2 + u(s' + s'' - t)) \end{aligned} \Bigg\}$$

## Pole dispersive: Imaginary part

We are always in the region  $s > s'$ . Imaginary part can be obtained cutting the 3- and 4-point functions

$$\text{Im}C_0(m^2, m^2, s, s', m^2, \lambda^2) = \frac{\pi}{s\beta} \log \frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta}$$

To cut the 4-point diagram

$$\text{Im} \left( \text{Diagram with cut} \right) = \frac{1}{2i} \text{Disc} \left( \text{Diagram without cut} \right)$$

$$\text{Im}D_0 = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{\lambda(s, s', \lambda^2)(m_\pi^2 - m_e^2 - t)^2 - 4m_e^2 t} - 4\lambda^2 s' st}$$

$$\log \frac{2\lambda^2 ss' + \lambda(s, s', \lambda^2) \left( m_e^2 + m_\pi^2 - t + \sqrt{\frac{\lambda(s, s', \lambda^2)(m_\pi^2 - m_e^2 - t)^2 - 4m_e^2 t}{\lambda(s, s', \lambda^2)}} \right)}{2\lambda^2 ss' + \lambda(s, s', \lambda^2) \left( m_e^2 + m_\pi^2 - t - \sqrt{\frac{\lambda(s, s', \lambda^2)(m_\pi^2 - m_e^2 - t)^2 - 4m_e^2 t}{\lambda(s, s', \lambda^2)}} \right)}$$

We neglect  $\lambda$ -polynomial terms in the log and  $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^4)$

$$\text{Im}D_0(t) = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{(s-s')^2 - 2\lambda^2(s+s') - 4\lambda^2 s s' t/f}} \times \log \left( \frac{m_e^2 + m_\pi^2 - t + \sqrt{m_e^4 + (m_\pi^2 - t)^2 - 2m_e^2(m_\pi^2 + t)}}{m_e m_\pi} \right)$$

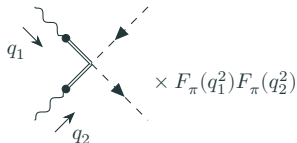
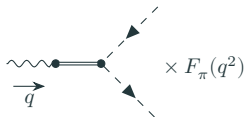
In the end, the IR divergence is reconstructed in the sum of the pole-dispersive contribution analytically cancels against the soft contribution

$$\delta_V^{\text{IR}} = \left( \frac{(\text{Re}F_\pi(s))^2 + (\text{Im}F_\pi(s))^2}{|F_\pi(s)|^2} \right) \frac{2\alpha}{\pi} \log \frac{\lambda^2}{s} \log \frac{1 - \beta \cos \theta}{1 + \beta \cos \theta} = \delta_S^{\text{IR}}$$

All the remaining integrals are kept numerical but are finite.

We achieve the IR cancellation **event by event**

In the GVMD approach, form factor is written as an additional propagator **Andrea's Talk**



### GVMD Form factor

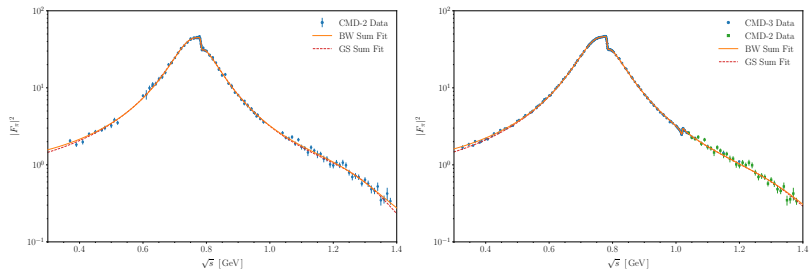
$$F_\pi(q^2) = \frac{1}{c_t} \sum_{v=0}^{n_r} c_v \frac{\Lambda_v^2}{\Lambda_v^2 - q^2}$$

$$\Lambda_v^2 = m_v^2 - im_v\Gamma_v$$

$$c_v = |c_v|e^{i\phi_v}$$

<sup>2</sup>Fedor Ignatov and Roman N. Lee. "Charge asymmetry in  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$  process". In: *Phys. Lett. B* 833 (2022), p. 137283. doi: 10.1016/j.physletb.2022.137283. arXiv: 2204.12235 [hep-ph]

Parameters have been fitted with CMD-2 and CMD3-data

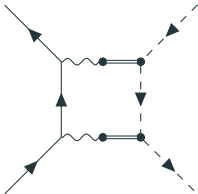


**Figure 1:** Fit of CMD-2 (left) and CMD-3 (right) form factors as a sum of BW functions, as required for the GVMD approach. The fit of both form factors with a more realistic sum of GS functions is reported for comparison.



In the one loop amplitudes, the GVMD form factor results in an additional propagator which can be simplified

$$\frac{1}{q^2 - \lambda^2} \frac{1}{q^2 - m^2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{m^2} \frac{1}{q^2 - m^2} - \frac{1}{m^2} \frac{1}{q^2 - \lambda^2}$$

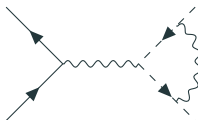


The correction for the IFI consists in an additional factor that vanishes in the soft limit

$$\delta^{\text{GVMD}} = \delta^{\text{point}} + \int d^4q_1 \int d^4q_2 \frac{F(q_1^2)F(q_2^2) - F(q^2)}{F(q^2)} \delta^{\text{point}}$$

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$$\lim_{\beta_\pi \rightarrow 0} \delta_V^\pi = \frac{\alpha\pi}{2\beta_\pi}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_V^\pi &= \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \left\{ \frac{\beta_\pi^2 + 1}{\beta_\pi} \left[ \text{Li}_2 \left( \frac{1 - \beta_\pi}{1 + \beta_\pi} \right) + \frac{\pi^2}{3} \right] - 2 \right\} \\ &\quad - \frac{\alpha (\beta_\pi^2 + 1)}{\pi 2\beta_\pi} \log \left( \frac{1 - \beta_\pi}{1 + \beta_\pi} \right) \left[ \frac{1}{2} \log \left( \frac{1 - \beta_\pi^2}{4\beta_\pi^2} \right) + \log \left( \frac{\beta_\pi + 1}{2\beta_\pi} \right) + 2 \right] + \text{IR terms} \end{aligned}$$

The Sommerfeld factor is present in the vertex virtual correction. It can be resummed and matched as

$$\sigma^{\text{NLO}} = \left( S - 1 + \delta_{SV} - \frac{z}{2} \right) \sigma^{\text{LO}} \quad S = \frac{z}{1 - e^{-z}}, \quad z = \frac{2\pi\alpha}{v}$$

<sup>3</sup>Sommerfeld, "Über die Beugung und Bremsung der Elektronen", Arbutov and Kopylova, "On relativization of the Sommerfeld-Gamow-Sakharov factor"

## Form factors and cuts

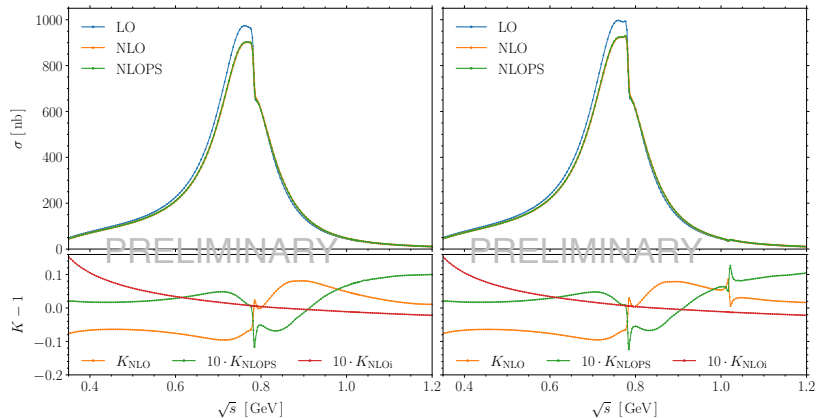
The form factor can be chosen from the following list

Data	$\Lambda^2[\text{GeV}^2]$	$F_\pi \times \text{sQED}$	GVMD	Disp
CMD-3	4	✓		✓
CMD-2	2	✓		✓
BW sum 2/3	2/4	✓	✓	✓
SND	1	✓		✓
Babar	9	✓		✓
Strong2020	9	✓		✓
BesIII	9	✓		✓
Kloe2	1	✓		✓
Phokhara	16	✓		✓
Bern	4	✓		✓

The cuts we have used are inspired by CMD-3. However one can compile from the `Makefile` the experimental setups of KLOE, BESIII, ecc

obs		$p_\pm$	$\vartheta_{\text{avg}}$	$\delta\vartheta$	$\delta\phi$				
min	max	$0.45E$	$\beta_\pi\sqrt{s}/2$	$\pi \text{ rad}$	$\pi - 1 \text{ rad}$	$0 \text{ rad}$	$0.25 \text{ rad}$	$0 \text{ rad}$	$0.15 \text{ rad}$

**Table 1:** Kinematical cuts that are inspired by the CMD-3 event selection criteria.



**Figure 2:** Total cross section as a function of the CoM energy. To the left, CMD-2 form factor. To the right CMD-3

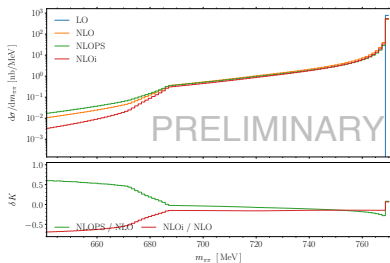


Figure 3: Invariant mass at  $\sqrt{s} = 0.77$  GeV

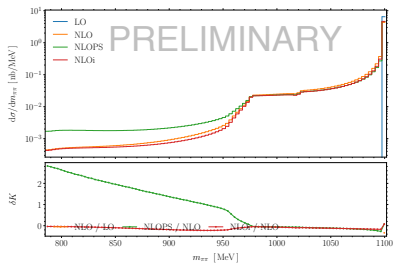
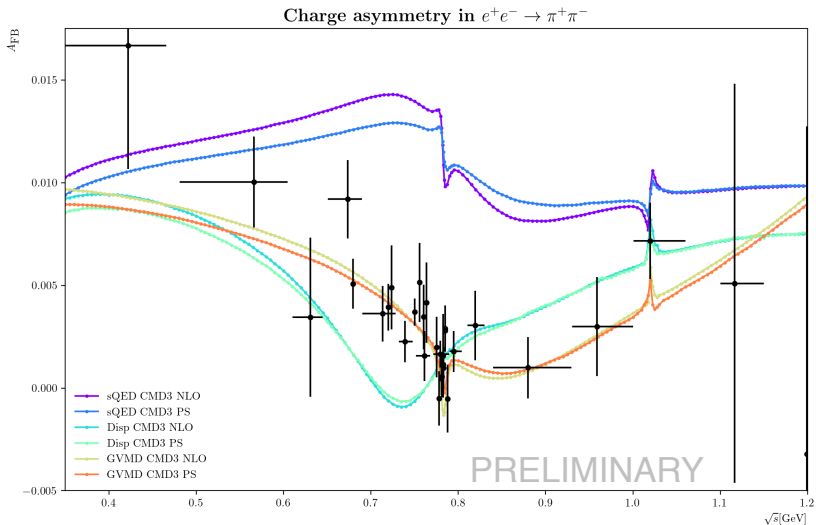


Figure 4: Invariant mass at  $\sqrt{s} = 1.1$  GeV



- As of today, we can generate  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$  at NLO and NLO PS with **all masses**

Approach	NLO	NLO PS
$F_\pi \times \text{sQED}$	✓	✓
GVMD	✓	✓
Dispersive	w.i.p.	w.i.p.

- In the next future, we will calculate  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\gamma(+n\gamma)$
- Comparisons with other Monte Carlo generator will be done (hopefully) for Strong2020