

Assignment #3: Solutions

1.5

$$\text{Normal distribution: } N(\mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(t-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

(A) $\mu_A = 270$, $\sigma_A = 15$ [Using Mathematica]

$$\bullet N_A(t < 240) = 1000 \cdot \left(\int_{-\infty}^{240} N(\mu_A, \sigma_A^2) dt \right)$$

$$\approx \boxed{23}$$

$$\bullet N_A(t < 225) = 1000 \cdot \left(\int_{-\infty}^{225} N(\mu_A, \sigma_A^2) dt \right)$$

$$\approx \boxed{1}$$

(B) $\mu_B = 270$, $\sigma_B = 20$

$$\bullet N_B(t < 240) = (\dots) = \boxed{67}$$

$$\bullet N_B(t < 225) = (\dots) = \boxed{12}$$

1.9 Poisson distribution: $\mu = N$, so $\sigma = \sqrt{\mu} = \sqrt{N}$

$$P(n, \mu) := \frac{\mu^n e^{-\mu}}{n!}$$

We want the probability to find $n > N + 3\sigma$,

so $n > N + 3\sqrt{N}$.

$$\Rightarrow \text{Prob}(n > N + 3\sqrt{N}) = \sum_{n=N+3\sqrt{N}}^{\infty} P(n, N)$$

$$= \sum_{n=N+3\sqrt{N}}^{\infty} \frac{N^n e^{-N}}{n!}$$

$$\text{Or, } = 1 - \text{Prob}(n < N + 3\sqrt{N}) = 1 - \sum_{n=0}^{N+3\sqrt{N}} \frac{N^n e^{-N}}{n!}$$

\Rightarrow To find $n > N + 5\sigma$, we have:

$$\Rightarrow \text{Prob}(n > N + 5\sqrt{N}) = 1 - \text{Prob}(n < N + 5\sqrt{N})$$

$$= 1 - \sum_{n=0}^{N+5\sqrt{N}} \frac{N^n e^{-N}}{n!}$$

There is no closed form for these expressions, so for a given N , we need to evaluate this numerically.

2.9 We have $\mathcal{M}(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-) = \frac{32\pi^2\alpha^2}{s^2} (u^2 + t^2)$

① $\frac{d\sigma}{du dt} := \frac{-\mathcal{M}}{8\pi\xi(s)\beta(s)} \delta(s+t+u - m_{e^+}^2 - m_{e^-}^2 - m_{\mu^+}^2 - m_{\mu^-}^2)$

where $\beta(s) := 2\sqrt{(s - (m_{e^+} + m_{e^-})^2)(s - (m_{e^+} - m_{e^-})^2)}$

$\xi(s) := \sqrt{(s - m_{e^+}^2 - m_{e^-}^2)^2 - 4m_{e^+}^2 m_{e^-}^2} = \frac{\beta(s)}{2}$

We are in the ultra-relativistic regime, so

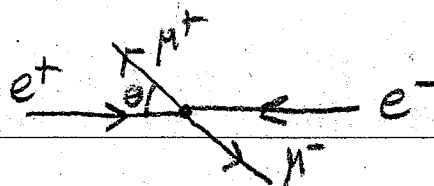
$s, t, u \gg m_{e^+}, m_{e^-}, m_{\mu^+}, m_{\mu^-}$

$\Rightarrow \beta(s) \rightarrow 2s, \xi(s) \rightarrow s, \delta(\dots) \rightarrow \delta(s+t+u)$

$\Rightarrow \frac{d\sigma}{du dt} = \frac{-\mathcal{M}}{8\pi(s)(2s)} \delta(s+t+u) = \frac{-\mathcal{M}}{16\pi s^2} \delta(s+t+u)$

② $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{d\sigma}{dt} \frac{dt}{d\Omega}, d\Omega = \sin(\theta) d\theta d\phi$
 $= \frac{d\sigma}{dt} \left(\frac{dt}{d\theta} \right) \left(\frac{1}{2\pi \sin(\theta)} \right)$
 $= 2\pi \sin(\theta) d\theta$ since nothing depends on ϕ in the COM frame

In the COM frame,



$$t = 2 \vec{p}_{e^+} \cdot \vec{p}_{e^-} + m_{e^+}^2 + m_{e^-}^2$$

$$= 2(-E_{e^+} E_{e^-} + \vec{p}_{e^+} \cdot \vec{p}_{e^-}) + m_{e^+}^2 + m_{e^-}^2$$

$$= 2(-E_{e^+} E_{e^-} + |\vec{p}_{e^+}| |\vec{p}_{e^-}| \cos(\theta)) + m_{e^+}^2 + m_{e^-}^2$$

where $|\vec{p}_{e^+}| = \sqrt{E_{e^+}^2 - m_{e^+}^2}$

In the ultra-relativistic regime, $p_{e^+} \gg m_{e^+}$, etc.

so $E_{e^+} \approx |\vec{p}_{e^+}|$, etc.

$$\Rightarrow t \approx 2(-E_{e^+} E_{e^-} + E_{e^+} E_{e^-} \cos(\theta))$$

$$= -2 E_{e^+} E_{e^-} (1 - \cos(\theta)) = -4 E_{e^+} E_{e^-} \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$$

Also in the COM frame, $E_{e^+} \approx \frac{E_{cm}}{2}$, $E_{e^-} \approx \frac{E_{cm}}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{t \approx -E_{cm}^2 \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) = -s \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)}$$

$$\text{Thus, } \underline{\frac{dt}{d\theta} = -(\frac{d}{d\theta} E_{e^+} E_{e^-}) \sin(\theta) = -\frac{E_{cm}^2}{2} \sin(\theta) = -\frac{s \sin(\theta)}{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left(\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \right) \left(\frac{-s \sin(\theta)}{a} \right) \left(\frac{1}{2\pi \sin(\theta)} \right)$$

$$= \frac{d\sigma}{dt} \left(\frac{-s}{4\pi} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \int \left(\frac{d\sigma}{dt du} \right) du = \int - \frac{(32\pi^2 \alpha^2)}{s^3} (u^2 + t^2) S(s+t+u) du$$

$$= - \frac{2\pi \alpha^2}{s^4} \left((s+t)^2 + t^2 \right), \text{ but } t = -s \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \text{ from before}$$

$$= - \frac{2\pi \alpha^2}{s^4} \left(\left(1 - \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \right)^2 + \sin^4\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \right)$$

$$= - \frac{2\pi \alpha^2}{s^4} \left(\cos^4\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) + \sin^4\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \right) \left. \vphantom{\frac{2\pi \alpha^2}{s^4}} \right\} \text{ use trigo. identities}$$

$$= - \frac{\pi \alpha^2}{s^4} \left(1 + \cos^2(\theta) \right)$$

Thus, $\boxed{\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha^2}{4s} \left(1 + \cos^2(\theta) \right)}$

$$\textcircled{3} \boxed{\sigma} = \int \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} d\Omega = \int \frac{\alpha^2}{4s} (1 + \cos^2(\theta)) \sin(\theta) d\theta d\phi$$

$$= \frac{\pi \alpha^2}{2s} \int_0^{\pi} (1 + \cos^2(\theta)) \sin(\theta) d\theta$$

$$= \frac{8}{3} \text{ using Mathematica}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{3s}}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \text{ For } E_{cm} = 10 \text{ GeV, so } s = 100 \text{ GeV}^2, \alpha = \frac{1}{137}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\sigma} = 2.23 \times 10^{-6} (\text{GeV})^{-2}, \quad 1 (\text{GeV})^{-2} = 0.3894 \text{ mb}$$

$$= \boxed{0.87 \text{ nb}}$$

2.11 We have
$$M = \frac{(4\pi\alpha_2)^2}{|s - m_e^2 - i\epsilon|^2} \left[(g_L^4 + g_R^4) u^2 + 2g_L^2 g_R^2 t^2 \right]$$

①
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dudt} := \frac{-M}{8\pi s(s)\beta(s)} \delta(s+t+u - m_e^2 - m_e^2 - m_\mu^2 - m_\mu^2)$$

Just like in 2.9, we consider the ultra-relativistic regime, so we get the same result, but with our new M :

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{d\sigma}{dudt} = \frac{-M}{16\pi s^2} \delta(s+t+u)}$$

② In the COM frame, we will also get the same expression as in 2.9 for

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} :$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{-s}{4\pi} \left(\frac{d\sigma}{dt} \right)$$

However, here $\frac{d\sigma}{dt}$ is different than before:

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \int \left(\frac{d\sigma}{dudt} \right) du = \frac{-1}{16\pi s^2} \int M \delta(s+t+u) du$$

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$$\otimes: \frac{(4\pi\alpha_2)^2}{|s - M^2 - i\Gamma|^2} \int \left[(g_L^4 + g_R^4) u^2 + 2g_L^2 g_R^2 t^2 \right] \delta(s+u+t) du$$

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$$(+)= (g_L^4 + g_R^4) (s+t)^2 + 2g_L^2 g_R^2 t^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \left(\frac{-s}{4\pi} \right) \left(\frac{-1}{16\pi s^2} \right) \left(\frac{(4\pi\alpha_2)^2}{|s - M^2 - i\Gamma|^2} \right) \left[(g_L^4 + g_R^4) (s+t)^2 + 2g_L^2 g_R^2 t^2 \right]$$

$$= \frac{\alpha_2^2}{4s|s - M^2 - i\Gamma|^2} \left[(g_L^4 + g_R^4) (s+t)^2 + 2g_L^2 g_R^2 t^2 \right]$$

Recall we had in 2.9 in the COM frame:

$$t = -s \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) = -\frac{s}{2} (1 - \cos(\theta)), \quad dt = -\frac{s}{2} \sin(\theta) d\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow (g_L^4 + g_R^4) (s+t)^2 + 2g_L^2 g_R^2 t^2 = s^2 \left[(g_L^4 + g_R^4) \cos^4\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) + 2g_L^2 g_R^2 \sin^4\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \right]$$

Also, we have in the denominator of $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}$ the factor $(s - M^2)^2 + (\Gamma)^2 = (E_{\text{cm}}^2 - M^2)^2 + (\Gamma)^2$ which

is a Breit-Wigner factor with the E_{cm} -dependence.

③ We can now get the cross section:

$$\Rightarrow \sigma = \int \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right) d\Omega = \int \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \sin(\theta) d\theta d\phi = 2\pi \int \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right) \sin(\theta) d\theta$$

$$= \frac{2\pi\alpha_2^2 s}{2((s-M^2)^2 + (M\Gamma)^2)} \int \left([g_L^2 + g_R^2] \cos^4\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) + 2g_L g_R \sin^4\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \right) \sin(\theta) d\theta$$
$$= \frac{2}{3} (g_L^2 + g_R^2)^2 \text{ using Mathematica}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma = \frac{2\pi\alpha_2^2 s (g_L^2 + g_R^2)^2}{3((s-M^2)^2 + (M\Gamma)^2)}$$

④ For $M \approx 90 \text{ GeV}$, $\Gamma = 2.4 \text{ GeV}$, $\delta_w^2 = 0.23$, $s \approx 90^2 \text{ GeV}^2$

we have $\alpha_2 \approx 0.0412$, $g_L = -0.27$, $g_R = 0.23$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma \approx 0.49 (\text{GeV})^{-2} \approx 1.9 \text{ nb}$$

2.12

We want $\sigma_{\text{prompt}} := \sigma_p$ from 2.9 and $\sigma_{\text{resonant}} := \sigma_r$ from

2.11 for $E = M = 90 \text{ GeV}$.

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \sigma_p = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{3(90 \text{ GeV})^2} \approx 0.0107 \text{ nb}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \sigma_r \approx 1.9 \text{ nb}$$

For $L = 10^{32} \frac{1}{\text{s} \cdot \text{cm}^2}$, the event rate given by

$\Delta N = \sigma L$ is then:

$$\Delta N_p = \sigma_p \cdot L = 0.0107 \text{ nb} \cdot \left(10^{32} \frac{1}{\text{s} \cdot \text{cm}^2} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ b}}{10^9 \text{ nb}} \cdot \frac{10^{-24} \text{ cm}^2}{1 \text{ b}} \right)$$
$$\approx 1.07 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1} \quad = 0.1 \text{ s}^{-1} \cdot \text{nb}^{-1}$$

$$\Delta N_r = \sigma_r \cdot L \approx 0.19 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

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③ We want the time τ required for

$$\Delta N_r \tau > \Delta N_p \tau + 3\sqrt{\Delta N_p \tau} \Rightarrow \tau = 0.27 \text{ s}$$

④ For 5σ , $\tau = 0.75 \text{ s}$

$$\Rightarrow L = L \cdot \tau = (0.1 \text{ s}^{-1} \cdot \text{cm}^{-2}) \cdot (0.75 \text{ s}) = 0.075 \text{ cm}^{-2}$$