

Radiative corrections to radiative $\pi e 2$ decay

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The lowest order radiative corrections to the width and spectra of the radiative $\pi e 2$ decay are calculated. We take into account the virtual photon emission contribution as well as soft and hard real photon emission contributions. The result turns out to be consistent with the standard Drell-Yan picture for the width and spectra in the leading logarithmical approximation which permits us to generalize it to all orders of perturbation theory. Explicit expressions of nonleading contributions are obtained. The contribution of the short distance is found to be in agreement with standard model predictions. It is presented as a general normalization factor. We check the validity of the Kinoshita-Lee-Nauenberg theorem about the cancellation in the total width of the mass singularities at the zero limit of the electron mass. We discuss the results of the previous papers devoted to this problem. The Dalitz plot distribution is illustrated numerically.

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I. INTRODUCTION

The process of radiative negative pion decay,

$$\pi^-(p) \rightarrow e^-(r) + \bar{\nu}_e(q) + \gamma(k), \quad (1)$$

attracts a lot of attention both experimentally and theoretically [1–4, 12–14]. The main reason for this is the unique possibility to extract the so-called structure-dependent (SD) part M_{SD} of the matrix element,

$$M = M_{IB} + M_{SD}, \quad (2)$$

which can be described in terms of vector and axial-vector form factors of the pion and the hints of a “new physics” including a possible revealing of tensor forces (which are absent in the traditional standard model).

Because of numerical smallness of M_{SD} compared to the inner bremsstrahlung (IB) part M_{IB} , the problem of taking into account radiative corrections (RC’s) becomes essential. The lowest order RC for a special experimental setup was calculated in 1991 in Ref. [4], where, unfortunately, the contribution to RC’s from the emission of an additional hard photon was not considered. This is the motivation of our paper.

Our paper is organized as follows. In Sec. II, we calculate the contributions to RC’s from the emission of virtual photons (at the one loop level) and the ones arising from additional soft photon emission. For definiteness, we consider RC’s to the QED part of the matrix element M_{IB} ,

$$M_{IB} = -iA\bar{u}_e(r) \left[\frac{(\varepsilon^* r)}{(kr)} - \frac{(\varepsilon^* p)}{(kp)} + \frac{\hat{\varepsilon}^* \hat{k}}{2(kr)} \right] \times (1 + \gamma_5) v_\nu(q),$$

$$A = e \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{ud} f_\pi m, \quad (3)$$

where $e = \sqrt{4\pi\alpha}$, $G_F = 1.17 \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ is the Fermi coupling constant, ε is the photon polarization vector, f_π

$= 131 \text{ MeV}$ is the pion decay constant, V_{ud} is the element of the Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa quark mixing matrix, and M and m are masses of pions and electrons. The explicit form of the matrix element including M_{SD} is given in Appendix A.

In Sec. III, we consider the process of double radiative pion decay and extract the leading contribution proportional to the “large” logarithm $\ln M^2/m^2$ which arises from the kinematics of emission of one of the hard photons collinearly to electron momentum. We arrive at the result which can be obtained by applying the quasireal electron method [5].

In conclusion, we combine the leading contributions and find that the result can be expressed in terms of the electron structure function [6]. Really, the lowest order RC in the leading logarithmical approximation (LLA) (i.e., keeping terms $[(\alpha/\pi)\ln(M^2/m^2)]^n$) turns out to reproduce two first-order contributions of the electron structure function obeying the evolution equation of renormalization group (RG). This fact permits us to generalize our result to include higher orders of perturbation theory (PT) contributions to the electron structure function in the leading approximation. In conclusion, we also argue that our consideration can be generalized to the whole matrix element.

As for the next-to-leading contributions, we put them in the form of the so-called K factor which collects all the non-enhanced (by large logarithm) contributions. Part of them, arising from virtual and real soft photon emission, is given analytically. The other part, arising from emission of additional hard photon in noncollinear kinematics, is presented in Appendix C in terms of three-fold convergent integrals.

In Appendix B, we give the simplified form of RC’s (the lowest order ones) and make an estimation of the omitted terms which determine the accuracy of the simplified RC’s.

Appendix D contains the list of one-loop integrals used in calculation of one-loop Feynman integrals.

In Tables I–III the result of numerical calculation of contributions of RC’s to the Dalitz-plot distribution in the Born level, leading, and nonleading approximations are given.

II. VIRTUAL AND SOFT REAL PHOTON EMISSION RC’S

A rather detailed calculation of the lowest order RC was carried out in Ref. [4]. Nonclear manipulations with a soft

TABLE I. The value of $\Phi_{IB}^{(0)}$ [i.e., Born inner bremsstrahlung part, see Eq. (A5)].

y/x	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9
0.9	41.000	8.278	2.833	1.250	0.644	0.371	0.232	0.156
0.8		33.111	8.500	3.333	1.611	0.889	0.542	0.356
0.7			25.500	7.500	3.222	1.668	0.975	0.623
0.6				20.000	6.444	2.966	1.625	0.998
0.5					16.111	5.561	2.708	1.558
0.4						13.347	4.875	2.494
0.3							11.375	4.364
0.2								9.975

photon emission contribution used in Ref. [4] results in a wrong form of the dependence of RC's on the photon detection threshold $\Delta\varepsilon$ which contradicts the general theorem [7]. Another reason for our revision of Ref. [4] is the mixing of (on-mass shell and dimensional) regularization schemes in it. We use here the unrenormalized theory with the ultraviolet cutoff parameter Λ .

Following Ref. [4], we first consider RC's to the ‘‘largest’’ contribution—inner bremsstrahlung M_{IB} . As well we consider the central part of the Dalitz plot and omit (if possible) $\beta \equiv (m/M)^2 = 1.34 \times 10^{-5}$, that is $\beta \rightarrow 0$.

We distinguish the contribution to RC's from emission of virtual and soft additional photons (Δ_V and Δ_S , respectively):

$$\sum_{spin\ states} |M_{IB}|^2|_{virt+soft} = \sum |M_{IB}|^2 \left(1 + \frac{\alpha}{\pi} (\Delta_V + \Delta_S) \right), \quad (4)$$

where

$$\sum |M_{IB}|^2 = 8A^2 \frac{(1-y)(1+(1-x)^2)}{x^2(x+y-1)} \equiv 8A^2 B(x,y), \quad (5)$$

(here $x = 2(kp)/M^2$, $y = 2(rp)/M^2$, $z = 2(kr)/M^2$, M is the pion mass).

Soft photon emission RC's have a standard form [see, for example Ref. [8], formula (16)],

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \Delta_S &= - \frac{\alpha}{2\pi^2} \int \frac{d^3k_1}{2\omega_1} \left(\frac{p}{(k_1 p)} - \frac{r}{(k_1 r)} \right)^2 \Bigg|_{\omega_1 = \sqrt{\vec{k}_1^2 + \lambda^2} < \Delta\varepsilon \ll yM} \\ &= \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \left[(L_e - 2) \ln \left(\frac{2\Delta\varepsilon}{\lambda} \right) + \frac{1}{2} L_e - \frac{1}{4} L_e^2 + 1 - \xi_2 \right] \\ &\quad \times [1 + O(\beta)], \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

where k_1 is the additional soft photon momentum, $L_e = \ln(y^2/\beta)$ and λ is the ‘‘photon mass’’ $\xi_2 = \pi^2/6$. This result agrees with the general analysis of infrared behavior given in Ref. [7].

Now let us consider the calculation of the virtual photon emission corrections. First, we use the minimal form for introduction of the electromagnetic field through the generalization of the derivative $p_\mu \rightarrow p_\mu - ieA_\mu$.

The sum of contributions (all particles except antineutrino can be on or off mass shell) leads to

$$\frac{\hat{\varepsilon}(\hat{r} + \hat{k} + m)\hat{p}}{(r+k)^2 - m^2} v_\nu(q) - \hat{\varepsilon} v_\nu(q) = m \cdot \frac{\hat{\varepsilon}(\hat{r} + \hat{k} + m)}{(r+k)^2 - m^2} v_\nu(q), \quad (7)$$

$p = r + k + q$. Thus we can extract the contact photon emission vertex and obtain the effective vertex $\sim m$, as it is shown in Fig. 1.

In terms of this new effective vertex we can write down the one-loop Feynman diagrams (FD's) of virtual photon emission RC [$(\alpha/\pi)\Delta_V$] which are shown in Fig. 2 (see Ref.

 TABLE II. The value of $(\alpha/2\pi)(L_e - 1)\Phi_{IB}^{(1)}$ [see Eq. (B1)].

y/x	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9
0.9	-2.740	-0.521	-0.174	-0.076	-0.039	-0.022	-0.014	-0.009
0.8		-1.773	-0.407	-0.152	-0.071	-0.039	-0.023	-0.015
0.7			-1.155	-0.290	-0.116	-0.057	-0.032	-0.020
0.6				-0.772	-0.203	-0.084	-0.043	-0.025
0.5					-0.521	-0.140	-0.059	-0.031
0.4						-0.348	-0.093	-0.040
0.3							-0.221	-0.056
0.2								-0.118

TABLE III. The value of $K(x,y)$ [see Eq. (33)].

y/x	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9
0.9	-2.568	-1.855	-1.135	-0.512	-0.160	0.106	0.215	-0.018
0.8		-2.707	-2.362	-1.978	-1.596	-1.229	-0.994	-1.161
0.7			-2.657	-2.493	-2.248	-2.012	-1.850	-1.941
0.6				-2.716	-2.600	-2.438	-2.333	-2.431
0.5					-2.892	-2.748	-2.661	-2.768
0.4						-3.137	-2.979	-3.049
0.3							-3.575	-3.405
0.2								-4.324

[4]). We should notice that these diagrams can be separated into four classes. The contributions of each of these classes are gauge invariant.

Three first classes were considered in Ref. [4], where their gauge invariance and in particular the zero contribution of class II were strictly shown. The last statement directly follows from the gauge invariance.

The contribution of class III contains the regularized mass and vertex operators. The relevant matrix element has the form

$$M_{III} = -iA \frac{\alpha}{2\pi M} \bar{u}_e(r) \left[\left(\hat{\varepsilon}^* - \hat{k} \frac{(\varepsilon^* r)}{(kr)} \right) B_1 + \frac{\hat{k} \hat{\varepsilon}^*}{M} B_2 \right] \times (1 + \gamma_5) v_\nu(q), \tag{8}$$

where

$$B_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\beta}} \frac{1}{2a} \left(1 - \frac{y'}{a} l_S \right),$$

$$B_2 = \frac{1}{\beta} \left[\frac{1}{y'} n + \frac{1}{2a} - \frac{2y'^2 + 3y' + 2}{2y'a^2} l_S \right],$$

$$n = \frac{1}{y'} [Li_2(1) - Li_2(1 + y') - i\pi \ln(1 + y')];$$

here $l_S = \ln z/\beta - i\pi$, $a = 1 + y'$, $y' = 2(kr)/m^2$. We see that M_{III} is explicitly gauge invariant and is free from infrared singularities. At the realistic limit $y \sim x \sim z \gg \beta$ (rather far from the boundaries of the Dalitz plot) we obtain for contribution to the matrix element square (structure $\sim B_1$ gives a zero contribution in the limit $\beta \rightarrow 0$) (in agreement with Ref. [4])

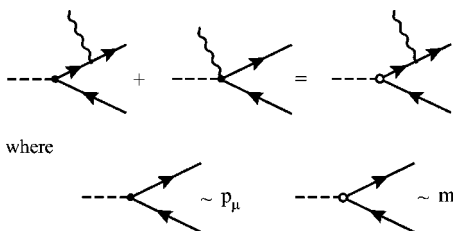


FIG. 1. Effective vertex.

$$\Delta |M_{III}|^2 = 2 \operatorname{Re}\{(M_{IB})^+ M_{III}\} = -\frac{8\alpha}{\pi} A^2 \frac{1-y}{xz} \left[\frac{1}{2} - \ln\left(\frac{z}{\beta}\right) \right]. \tag{9}$$

As we work within the unrenormalized theory, we should consider class IV (not considered in Ref. [4]) which concerns the contribution of counterterms due to renormalization of the pion and electron wave functions [see Ref. [8], formula (17)],

$$\Delta |M_{IV}|^2 = \sum |M_{IB}|^2 \cdot \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \left\{ \left[-\frac{1}{2} L_\Lambda + \frac{3}{2} \ln \beta + \ln \frac{M^2}{\lambda^2} - \frac{9}{4} \right] + \left[L_\Lambda + \ln \frac{M^2}{\lambda^2} - \frac{3}{4} \right] \right\}, \tag{10}$$

where $L_\Lambda = \ln(\Lambda^2/M^2)$ and Λ is the ultraviolet cutoff parameter to be specified later. The first term in the brackets in the

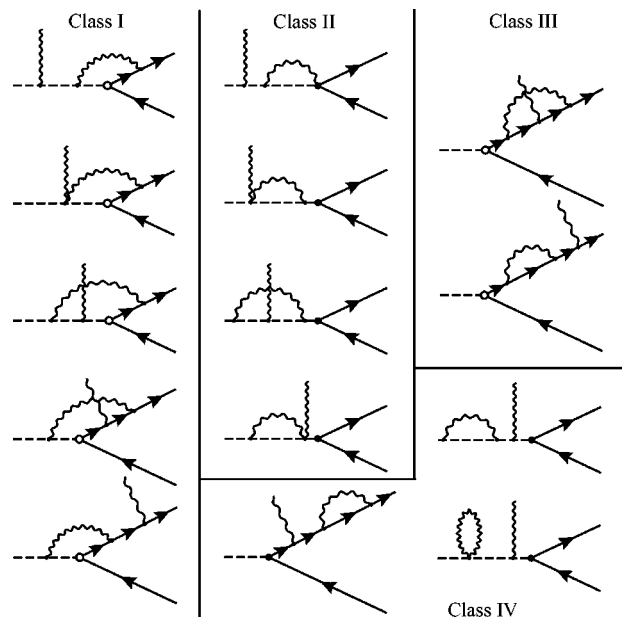


FIG. 2. Feynman diagrams of virtual contributions.

right-hand side is the electron wave-function renormalization constant and the second one corresponds to the pion wave-function renormalization.

Let us now consider the contributions of FD's of class I. In Ref. [4] the explicit gauge invariance of the sum was demonstrated: $k_\mu(T_1^\mu + T_2^\mu + T_3^\mu + T_4^\mu + T_5^\mu) = 0$, where T_i^μ is the contribution of the corresponding FD of class I (see Fig. 2).

The contribution to the matrix element square can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta |M_I|^2 &= 2 \operatorname{Re}\{(M_{IB})^+ M_{II}\} \\ &= \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} A^2 \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \int \frac{d^4 k_1}{i\pi^2} [A_1 + A_2 + A_3 + A_4 + A_5] \right\}, \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= \frac{2}{x} \frac{1}{(0)(1')(2)} Sp \left[\hat{r} [2(\hat{p} - \hat{k}) - \hat{k}_1] (\hat{r} - \hat{k}_1) \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times (1 + \gamma_5) \hat{q} \left(Qp + \frac{\hat{k}\hat{p}}{z} \right) \right] \frac{1}{M^2}, \\ A_2 &= \frac{2}{(0)(1')(2)} Sp \left[\hat{r} \gamma_\lambda (\hat{r} - \hat{k}_1) (1 + \gamma_5) \hat{q} \left(Q^\lambda + \frac{\hat{k}\gamma^\lambda}{z} \right) \right], \\ A_3 &= -\frac{2}{(0)(1)(1')(2)} Sp \left[\hat{r} (2\hat{p} - \hat{k}_1) (\hat{r} - \hat{k}_1) \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times (1 + \gamma_5) \hat{q} \left([Q(p - k_1)] + \frac{\hat{k}(\hat{p} - \hat{k}_1)}{z} \right) \right], \\ A_4 &= -\frac{1}{(0)(1)(2)(2')} Sp \left[\hat{r} (2\hat{p} - \hat{k}_1) (\hat{r} - \hat{k}_1) \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times \gamma_\lambda (\hat{r} + \hat{k} - \hat{k}_1) (1 + \gamma_5) \hat{q} \left(Q^\lambda + \frac{\hat{k}\gamma^\lambda}{z} \right) \right], \\ A_5 &= -\frac{1}{z} \frac{1}{(0)(1)(2')} Sp \left[\hat{r} \gamma_\lambda (\hat{r} + \hat{k}) (2\hat{p} - \hat{k}_1) \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times (\hat{r} + \hat{k} - \hat{k}_1) (1 + \gamma_5) \hat{q} \left(Q^\lambda + \frac{\hat{k}\gamma^\lambda}{z} \right) \right] \frac{1}{M^2}, \end{aligned}$$

where k_1 is the virtual photon momentum,

$$Q_\mu = -\frac{p_\mu}{(kp)} + \frac{r_\mu}{(kr)} = \frac{2}{M^2} \left(\frac{r_\mu}{z} - \frac{p_\mu}{x} \right).$$

The denominators of the pion and electron Green functions (i) are listed in Appendix D. We omitted m everywhere in the numerators. The ultraviolet divergences are present in A_1 and A_5 .

Using the set of vector and scalar integrals listed in Appendix D and adding the soft photon emission corrections we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + \frac{\alpha}{\pi} (\Delta_V + \Delta_S) &= S_W \left\{ 1 + \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \left[(L_e - 1) \left(\ln \Delta + \frac{3}{4} \right) - \ln \Delta \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \frac{1}{B'(x,y)} R(x,y) \right] \right\}, \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

where $S_W = 1 + \frac{3}{4}(\alpha/\pi)L_\Lambda$, $\Delta \equiv 2\Delta\varepsilon/yM$. $R(x,y)$ looks like

$$\begin{aligned} R(x,y) &= 4ab\bar{y} \left(-5 \ln y + \frac{3}{2} - 4 \ln y \ln \frac{2}{y} \right) \\ &\quad - 8b \ln y \{ -a\bar{y}(1 + \ln 4) \\ &\quad + [(x-2)^2 - y(a+2)] \ln x + x(1+y^2) \ln z \} \\ &\quad + 2b \ln^2 y \{ -16\bar{y} + x[16 - 7x + 7y(x-2)] \} \\ &\quad - \xi_2 \cdot 8b\bar{y} [6 + 2x^2 - x(5+y)] \\ &\quad + 4x\bar{y}zb \left[Li_2 \left(\frac{y-1}{y} \right) - Li_2(1-y) \right] + 8ab\bar{y} Li_2(x) \\ &\quad + 8ab\bar{y} \ln x \ln(1-x) - 8x\bar{x}\bar{y}z(x+y-2) \ln z \\ &\quad - 4x\bar{y}z \ln^2 z [-\bar{x} + y(x-2) + y^2] - 4x\bar{y}b, \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

$$B'(x,y) = 8(1-y)[1 + (1-x)^2](x+y-2)^2 = 8ab\bar{y}, \quad (14)$$

where $a = 1 + (1-x)^2$, $b = (x+y-2)^2$, $\bar{x} = 1-x$, $\bar{y} = 1-y$, $z = x+y-1$. Here we do not have a complete agreement with the result of Ref. [4]. Note that the sum $\Delta_S + \Delta_V$ does not depend on "photon mass" λ , and, besides, the coefficient at the large logarithm L_e agrees with RG predictions.

III. EMISSION OF ADDITIONAL HARD PHOTON

Emission of an additional hard photon (not considered in the previous papers concerning RC's to the $\pi \rightarrow e\nu\gamma$ decay), i.e., the process of the double photon emission in the $\pi e2$ decay, $\pi^-(p) \rightarrow e^-(r) + \bar{\nu}_e(q) + \gamma(k_1) + \gamma(k_2)$, is described by 11 FD's drawn in Fig. 3.

In collinear kinematics (when one of the real photons is emitted close to the electron emission direction) the relevant contribution to the differential width contains large logarithms.

The matrix element of the double radiative pion decay has the form

$$\begin{aligned} M^{\pi \rightarrow e\nu\gamma\gamma} &= iA \sqrt{4\pi\alpha} [\bar{u}_e(r) \mathcal{O}_{\mu\nu} (1 + \gamma_5) \\ &\quad \times v_\nu(q)] \cdot \varepsilon_1^\mu(k_1) \varepsilon_2^\nu(k_2), \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

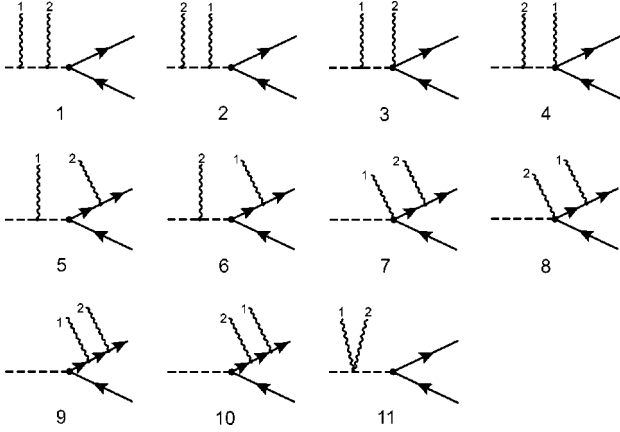


FIG. 3. Feynman diagrams, describing the double radiative pion decay.

where $\varepsilon_{1,2}$ are the photons polarization vectors which obey the Lorentz condition: $(k_1, \varepsilon_1(k_1)) = (k_2, \varepsilon_2(k_2)) = 0$. The tensor $O^{\mu\nu}$ has the form

$$\begin{aligned}
 O^{\mu\nu} = & \left(-2g^{\mu\nu} + \frac{2p^\mu[2[p-k_1]^\nu]}{-2(k_1p)} + \frac{2p^\nu[2(p-k_2)^\mu]}{-2(k_2p)} \right) \\
 & \times \frac{1}{(p-k_1-k_2)^2 - M^2} + \frac{2p^\mu}{-2(k_1p)} \frac{\gamma^\nu(\hat{r} + \hat{k}_2 + m)}{2(k_2r)} \\
 & + \frac{2p^\nu}{-2(k_2p)} \frac{\gamma^\mu(\hat{r} + \hat{k}_1 + m)}{2(k_1r)} \\
 & + \left[\gamma^\nu \frac{\hat{r} + \hat{k}_2 + m}{2(k_2r)} \gamma^\mu + \gamma^\mu \frac{\hat{r} + \hat{k}_1 + m}{2(k_1r)} \gamma^\nu \right] \\
 & \times \frac{\hat{r} + \hat{k}_1 + \hat{k}_2 + m}{(r+k_1+k_2)^2 - m^2}. \quad (16)
 \end{aligned}$$

One can be convinced in the explicit fulfillment of the requirements of Bose symmetry and gauge invariance $M^{\pi \rightarrow e\nu\gamma\gamma}(\varepsilon_1 \rightarrow k_1) = M^{\pi \rightarrow e\nu\gamma\gamma}(\varepsilon_2 \rightarrow k_2) = 0$. The expression for $\Sigma |M^{\pi \rightarrow e\nu\gamma\gamma}|^2 \sim Sp[(\hat{r} + m) O^{\mu\nu} \hat{q} O_{\mu\nu}]$ is rather cumbersome.

The contribution to the differential width has the form

$$d\Gamma_{IB}^{hard} = \frac{1}{2M} \sum |M^{\pi \rightarrow e\nu\gamma\gamma}|^2 d\Phi_4, \quad (17)$$

$$d\Phi_4 = \frac{(2\pi)^4}{(2\pi)^{12}} \frac{d^3q}{2q_0} \frac{d^3r}{2r_0} \frac{d^3k_1}{2\omega_1} \frac{d^3k_2}{2\omega_2} \delta^4(p - q - r - k_1 - k_2). \quad (18)$$

We do not take into account the identity of photons: we believe the photon with momentum k_1 to be a measurable one with $2(k_1p)/M^2 = x$ and the photon with momentum k_2 to be a background one with $2(k_2p)/M^2 > \Delta$ and most general kinematics.

It is convenient to consider separately the collinear kinematics of emission of one of the photons, i.e., the case when the angle of emission of one of the final photon directions of motion is rather small, $\theta_i = (\vec{r}, \vec{k}_i) < \theta_0 \ll 1$, $\theta_0^2 \gg \beta$. (Note that double collinear kinematics is excluded since the invariants $x'_{1,2} = 2(k_{1,2}r)/M^2$ cannot be small simultaneously.)

The contribution of these collinear kinematics to the differential width contains ‘‘large logarithms’’ L_e . To extract the relevant contribution we can use the quasireal electron method [5]. For this aim let us arrange the integration over phase volume in the following way:

$$\begin{aligned}
 |M|^2 d\Phi_4 = & |M_C|^2 d\Phi_4^C + |M_C|^2 (d\Phi_4 - d\Phi_4^C) \\
 & + (|M|^2 - |M_C|^2) d\Phi_4, \quad (19)
 \end{aligned}$$

with

$$\begin{aligned}
 (4\pi\alpha)^{-2} \sum |M_C|^2 = & \left[\frac{8}{x'_2} \frac{y^2 + (y+x_2)^2}{x_2(x_2+y)} - \frac{16\beta}{x_2'^2} \right] \\
 & \times \frac{[1 + (1-x_1)^2](1-x_2-y)}{x_1^2(x_1+x_2+y-1)}, \quad (20)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2\pi)^8 M^{-4} d\Phi_4 = & M^{-4} \frac{d^3r d^3k_1 d^3k_2}{2r_0 2\omega_1 2\omega_2} \delta[(p-r-k_1-k_2)^2] \\
 = & \frac{\pi^2}{2^6} x_1 x_2 y dx_1 dx_2 dy dC_1 d\Omega_2 \\
 & \times \delta \left(1 - x_1 - x_2 - y + \frac{x_1 x_2}{2} (1 - C_{12}) \right. \\
 & \left. + \frac{x_1 y}{2} (1 - C_1) + \frac{x_2 y}{2} (1 - C_2) \right), \quad (21)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(2\pi)^8 M^{-4} d\Phi_4^C = \frac{\pi^2}{2^5} \frac{x_2 y}{y + x_2} dx_1 dx_2 dy d\Omega_2^C, \quad (22)$$

where

$$x_{1,2} = \frac{2(k_{1,2}p)}{M^2}, \quad x'_{1,2} = \frac{2(k_{1,2}r)}{M^2},$$

$$C_{12} = \cos(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2), \quad C_{1,2} = \cos(\vec{k}_{1,2}, \vec{r}),$$

and $d\Omega_2$ is the angular phase volume of the photon with four-momentum k_2 .

Note that integration over the angular phase volume $d\Omega_2$ in $d\Phi_4^C$ [see Eq. (19)] is restricted by $\int d\Omega_2^C = \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_{1-\theta_0^2/2}^1 dC_2$ and in the second term in Eq. (19), $d\Phi_4 - d\Phi_4^C$ can be replaced by $d\Phi_4$ with

$\int d\Omega_2 = \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_{-1}^{1-\theta_0^2/2} dC_2$. The second and the third terms in Eq. (19) do not contain collinear singularities, i.e., are finite in the limit $\beta \rightarrow 0$.

The contribution of the hard photon emission can be written out in the form

$$\frac{d\Gamma_{IB}^{hard}}{dx dy} = A^2 \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \int_y^1 \frac{dt}{t} B(x,t) \left[P_\theta^{(1)}\left(\frac{y}{t}\right) \left(L_e - 1 + \ln \frac{\theta_0^2}{4} \right) + 1 - \frac{y}{t} \right] + \frac{\alpha}{\pi} K_{IB}^{hard}(x,y,\theta_0,\Delta), \quad (23)$$

where the function $B(x,t)$ is defined in Eq. (5),

$$P_\theta^{(1)}(z) = \frac{1+z^2}{1-z} \theta(1-z-\Delta), \quad (24)$$

and $K_{IB}^{hard}(x,y,\theta_0,\Delta)$ represents the contribution of two last terms in Eq. (19). Now it is convenient to introduce the following quantity:

$$K_{IB}^h(x,y,\Delta) = K_{IB}^{hard}(x,y,\theta_0,\Delta) + \int_y^1 \frac{dt}{t} B(x,t) \left[P_\theta^{(1)}\left(\frac{y}{t}\right) \ln \frac{\theta_0^2}{4} + 1 - \frac{y}{t} \right], \quad (25)$$

which does not already depend on the parameter θ_0 . The explicit view of $K_{IB}^h(x,y,\Delta)$ is given in Appendix C.

In the total sum of virtual, soft, and hard photon emission contributions all the auxiliary parameters—photon mass λ and Δ —are cancelled out. The resulting expression for the differential width with RC's up to any order of QED PT with the leading logarithm $(\alpha/\pi)L_e \sim 1$ and the next-to-leading accuracy have the form

$$\frac{d\Gamma_{IB}^{RC}}{dx dy} = A^2 S_W \int_y^1 \frac{dt}{t} B(x,t) D\left(\frac{y}{t}\right) \left(1 + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} K_{IB}^h(x,y) \right), \quad (26)$$

where $D(z)$ is the well-known electron structure function, which has the form

$$D(z) = \delta(1-z) + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} (L_e - 1) P^{(1)}(z) + \frac{1}{2!} \left(\frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \right)^2 (L_e - 1)^2 P^{(2)}(z) + \dots, \quad (27)$$

where

$$P^{(1)} = \lim_{\Delta \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1+z^2}{1-z} \theta(1-z-\Delta) + \delta(1-z) \left(2 \ln \Delta + \frac{3}{2} \right) \right] = \left(\frac{1+z^2}{1-z} \right)_+, \quad (28)$$

$$P^{(n)}(z) = \int_z^1 \frac{dt}{t} P^{(1)}(z) P^{(n-1)}\left(\frac{z}{t}\right). \quad (29)$$

The function $K_{IB}(x,y)$ is the so-called K factor which here has the form

$$K_{IB}(x,y) = 2 \frac{R(x,y)}{B'(x,y)} - 2 \ln \Delta + K_{IB}^h(x,y,\Delta), \quad (30)$$

where $R(x,y)$ and $B'(x,y)$ was defined in Eqs. (13) and (14). The quantity $K_{IB}^h(x,y,\Delta) - 2 \ln \Delta$ is finite at $\Delta \rightarrow 0$ and its explicit expression is given in Appendix C.

IV. DISCUSSION

It is easy to see that in the total decay width all the dependence on β disappears in accordance with the Kinoshita-Lee-Nauenberg (KLN) theorem [9]. Really, we obtain integrating over y :

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 dy \int_y^1 \frac{dt}{t} D\left(\frac{y}{t}\right) \cdot f(t) &= \int_0^1 dt f(t) \int_0^t \frac{dy}{t} D\left(\frac{y}{t}\right) \\ &= \int_0^1 dt f(t) \int_0^1 dz D(z) = \int_0^1 dt f(t). \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

Now let us discuss the dependence on the ultraviolet cutoff Λ . It was shown in a series of remarkable papers by A. Sirlin [10] that the standard model provides $\Lambda = M_W$. Another important moment (not considered here) is the evolution with respect to the ultraviolet scale of virtual photon momenta from the hadron scale (m_ρ) up to M_Z [10]. It results in effective replacement $S_W \rightarrow S_{EW} = 1 + (\alpha/\pi) \ln(M_Z^2/m_\rho^2) \approx 1.0232$. So all the QED corrections to the total width are small $\sim O(\alpha/\pi)$, but the electroweak ones rather large: $\Gamma \approx \Gamma_0 \cdot S_{EW}$. The factor S_{EW} can be absorbed by the pion lifetime constant $f_\pi \sqrt{S_{EW}} \rightarrow f_\pi^{exp}$ [11]. Thus we replace A , defined in Eq. (3), with A_{exp} .

$$A = e \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{ud} f_\pi m \rightarrow A_{exp.} = e \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{ud} f_\pi^{exp} m. \quad (32)$$

We also note here that according to Ref. [11] we must use the redefined constant $A_{exp.}$ in the Born approximation. That is why we use $A_{exp.}$ in Appendix A.

In our explicit calculations we considered RC's to the inner bremsstrahlung part of the matrix element. Let us now argue that in the integrand of the right-hand side of Eq. (26) one can replace $B(x,y)$ by the total value including the structure dependent contribution $\Phi_{tot}^{(0)}(x,y)$ which is defined in

Eq. (A5) in Appendix A. This fact can be proved in the leading logarithmic approximation. One of contributions arising from the additional hard photon emission close to the electron direction can be obtained by applying the quasireal electron method [5] and has the form (26) with $P^{(1)} \rightarrow P_\theta^{(1)}$. The KLN theorem in a unique form provides the soft photon emission and virtual RC's to be of a form with complete kernel $P(z)$ in the structure function $D(z)$ in Eq. (26). So our result reads

$$\frac{d\Gamma_{RC}}{dx dy} = A_{exp.}^2 \int_y^1 \frac{dt}{t} \Phi_{tot}^{(0)}(x, t) D\left(\frac{y}{t}\right) \left(1 + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} K(x, y)\right). \quad (33)$$

We also calculate the RC's to the SD part in the leading logarithmic approximation. Formula (33) can be trusted in the region where the IB part dominates. In the region where $IB \leq SD$, which is suitable for SD measurement, both IB and SD are small; so the question about nonleading contributions becomes academical. Thus we suggest here that K factor is the same order of magnitude as for the IB part [i.e., $K(x, y) = K_{IB}(x, y)$], where it can be calculated in the model-independent way. Its numerical value is given in Table III.

We underline that the explicit dependence on the ‘‘large logarithm’’ $L_e = \ln(y^2/\beta)$ is present in the Dalitz-plot distribution.

Now let us discuss the results obtained in some previous papers devoted to RC in the radiative pion decay.

In Ref. [4], the hard photon emission was not considered which led to violation of the KLN theorem.

In Refs. [12] and [13], the main attention was paid to the possible sources of tensor forces. As for real QED+EW corrections depicted in formula (13) in Ref. [12] $\delta\Gamma/\Gamma \approx 0.7(\alpha/\pi) \sim 0.2\%$, the QED leading RC was presumably omitted.

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APPENDIX A: BORN AMPLITUDE

The radiative pion decay matrix element in the Born approximation has the form [14]

$$M = M_{IB} + M_{SD} + M_T, \quad (A1)$$

where

$$M_{IB} = -iA_{exp.} \bar{u}_e(r) \left[\frac{(\varepsilon^* r)}{(kr)} - \frac{(\varepsilon^* p)}{(kp)} + \frac{\hat{\varepsilon}^* \hat{k}}{2(kr)} \right] \times (1 + \gamma_5) v_\nu(q), \quad (A2)$$

$$M_{SD} = \frac{A_{exp.}}{mMf_\pi} \bar{u}_e(r) \gamma_\nu (1 + \gamma_5) v_\nu(q) e_\mu \times \{F_V \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} p_\alpha k_\beta + iF_A [g^{\mu\nu}(kp) - p^\mu k^\nu]\}, \quad (A3)$$

$$M_T = -\frac{A_{exp.}}{m f_\pi^{exp.}} F_T e^\mu k^\nu \bar{u}_e(r) \sigma_{\mu\nu} (1 + \gamma_5) v_\nu(q) - \frac{A_{exp.}}{m f_\pi^{exp.}} F_T' (k_\alpha e_\beta - k_\beta e_\alpha) \frac{Q^\beta Q_\nu}{Q^2} \bar{u}_e(r) \times \sigma^{\alpha\nu} (1 + \gamma_5) v_\nu(q), \quad (A4)$$

where $Q = p - k$. The constant $A_{exp.}$ is defined in Eq. (32). Squaring amplitude (A1) and summing over the final photon polarizations leads to the following decay width:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2\Gamma^0}{dx dy} &= \frac{M}{(2\pi)^4} A_{exp.}^2 \frac{\pi}{2} \Phi_{tot}^{(0)}(x, y) \\ &= \frac{M}{(2\pi)^4} A_{exp.}^2 \frac{\pi}{2} \{ \Phi_{IB}^{(0)} + (f_V + f_A)^2 \Phi_+^{(0)} + (f_V - f_A)^2 \Phi_-^{(0)} \\ &\quad + 2\sqrt{\beta} [(f_V + f_A) \Phi_{int+}^{(0)} + (f_V - f_A) \Phi_{int-}^{(0)}] \\ &\quad + 2[2f_T(f_T - f_T') + f_T'^2] \Phi_{T1}^{(0)} \\ &\quad + 2[2(f_T - f_T') + f_T'^2] \Phi_{T2}^{(0)} \}, \end{aligned} \quad (A5)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{IB}^{(0)} &= \frac{(1-y)[1+(1-x)^2]}{x^2(x+y-1)} = B(x, y), \\ \Phi_+^{(0)} &= (1-x)(x+y-1)^2, \\ \Phi_-^{(0)} &= (1-x)(1-y)^2, \\ \Phi_{int+}^{(0)} &= \frac{1}{x}(1-x)(1-y), \\ \Phi_{int-}^{(0)} &= -\frac{1}{x}(1-y) \left(1-x + \frac{x^2}{x+y-1}\right), \\ \Phi_{T1}^{(0)} &= (1-y)(x+y-1), \\ \Phi_{T2}^{(0)} &= \frac{1-y}{x}, \end{aligned} \quad (A6)$$

where $f_{V,A,T,T'} = (M^2/2mf_\pi) F_{V,A,T,T'} \approx 146 \cdot F_{V,A,T,T'}$. In particular, the conservation of the vector current hypothesis relates the vector form factor F_V to the lifetime of the neutral pion,

$$|F_V(0)| = \frac{1}{\alpha} \sqrt{\frac{2\Gamma(\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)}{\pi M}} = 0.0259 \pm 0.0005, \quad (A7)$$

or equivalently $f_V \approx 3.78$. The Dalitz-plot distribution of the

inner bremsstrahlung part of the Born amplitude $\Phi_{IB}^{(0)}$ is given in Table I.

APPENDIX B: SIMPLIFIED FORMULA FOR RADIATIVE CORRECTIONS

Here we present the simplified form of radiative corrections,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2\Gamma_{RC}}{dx dy} = & A_{exp}^2 \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \frac{M}{(2\pi)^4} A_{exp}^2 \frac{\pi}{2} \left\{ \Phi_{IB}^{(0)} + (f_V + f_A)^2 \Phi_+^{(0)} \right. \\ & + (f_V - f_A)^2 \Phi_-^{(0)} + 2\sqrt{\beta}[(f_V + f_A)\Phi_{Int+}^{(0)} \\ & + (f_V - f_A)\Phi_{Int-}^{(0)}] + 2[2f_T(f_T - f'_T) + f_T'^2]\Phi_{T_1}^{(0)} \\ & + 2[2(f_T - f'_T) + f_T'x]\Phi_{T_2}^{(0)} \\ & + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi}(L_e - 1)\{\Phi_{IB}^{(1)} + (f_V + f_A)^2\Phi_+^{(1)} \\ & + (f_V - f_A)^2\Phi_-^{(1)} + 2\sqrt{\beta}[(f_V + f_A)\Phi_{Int+}^{(1)} \\ & + (f_V - f_A)\Phi_{Int-}^{(1)}] + 2[2f_T(f_T - f'_T) + f_T'^2]\Phi_{T_1}^{(1)} \\ & \left. + 2[2(f_T - f'_T) + f_T'x]\Phi_{T_2}^{(1)}\right\}, \end{aligned} \quad (B1)$$

where $\Phi_i^{(0)}$ was presented in Appendix A and

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{IB}^{(1)} = & \frac{1 + \bar{x}^2}{x^2} \left[\frac{3}{2} \frac{\bar{y}}{z} + \frac{\bar{y}}{\bar{x}} - \frac{\bar{x} + xy}{\bar{x}^2} \ln y + 2 \frac{\bar{y}}{z} \ln \frac{\bar{y}}{y} \right. \\ & \left. - \frac{x(\bar{x}^2 + y^2)}{\bar{x}^2 z} \ln \frac{x}{z} \right], \\ \Phi_+^{(1)} = & \bar{x} \left[\frac{3}{2} z^2 + \frac{1 - y^2}{2} + \bar{y}(y - 2\bar{x}) \right. \\ & \left. + \bar{x}(\bar{x} - 2y) \ln y - \bar{x}^2 \bar{y} + 2z^2 \ln \frac{\bar{y}}{y} \right], \\ \Phi_-^{(1)} = & \bar{x} \left[\frac{3}{2} \bar{y}^2 + \frac{1 - y^2}{2} + \bar{y}(y - 3) + (1 - 2y) \ln y \right. \\ & \left. + 2\bar{y}^2 \ln \frac{\bar{y}}{y} \right], \\ \Phi_{Int+}^{(1)} = & \frac{\bar{x}}{x} \left[\frac{\bar{y}}{2} - \bar{y} \ln y - 2\bar{y} \ln \frac{\bar{y}}{y} \right], \\ \Phi_{Int-}^{(1)} = & \frac{1}{x} \left[-\frac{1}{2} \bar{x} \bar{y} + \frac{3}{2} \frac{x^2 \bar{y}}{z} + \bar{x} \left(\bar{y} \ln y + 2\bar{y} \ln \frac{\bar{y}}{y} \right) \right. \\ & + x^2 \left(\frac{\bar{y}}{\bar{x}} - \frac{\bar{x} + xy}{\bar{x}^2} \ln y + 2 \frac{\bar{y}}{z} \ln \frac{\bar{y}}{y} \right. \\ & \left. \left. - \frac{x(\bar{x}^2 + y^2)}{\bar{x}^2 z} \ln \frac{x}{z} \right) \right], \end{aligned}$$

$$\Phi_{T_1}^{(1)} = \frac{3}{2} \bar{y} z - \frac{1 - y^2}{2} + \bar{y}(2\bar{x} + \bar{y}) - (\bar{x}\bar{y} - y) \ln y + 2\bar{y} z \ln \frac{\bar{y}}{y},$$

$$\Phi_{T_2}^{(1)} = \frac{\bar{y}}{x} \left[-\frac{1}{2} + \ln y + 2 \ln \frac{\bar{y}}{y} \right], \quad (B2)$$

where $z = x + y - 1$, $\bar{x} = 1 - x$, $\bar{y} = 1 - y$. Here we should notice that the functions $\Phi_i^{(1)}$ satisfy the following property:

$$\int_0^1 dy \Phi_i^{(1)} = 0, \quad (B3)$$

which is in accordance with the demands of the KLN theorem.

Let us now estimate the magnitude of the terms omitted in our approximate formula (B1). They are

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{m}{M} \right)^2 : \left| \frac{\alpha}{\pi} K(x, y) \right| : \left(\frac{m}{M} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \ln \frac{M^2}{m^2} : \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi} \ln \frac{M^2}{m^2} \right)^2 \\ = 10^{-4} : 1 - 2 \times 10^{-3} : 10^{-5} : 10^{-4}, \end{aligned} \quad (B4)$$

respectively. The main error arises from $(\alpha/\pi)K$ which is presented in Eq. (30) and Appendix C. The Dalitz-plot distribution of RC's to the inner bremsstrahlung part of the Born amplitude $\Phi_{IB}^{(1)}$ is given in Table II.

APPENDIX C: HARD PHOTON EMISSION K_{IB}^h FACTOR

In the numerical calculation of the K_{IB}^h factor (25) it is convenient to use the following form of phase volume (21):

$$d\Phi_4 = \frac{M^4}{(2\pi)^8} \frac{\pi^2}{2^5} \frac{xx_2y}{|A_2|} dxdy dC_1 d\Omega_2,$$

where $d\Omega_2 = dC_2 d\phi_2$, $A_2 = 2 - x(1 - C_{12}) - y(1 - C_2)$, $C_{1,2} = \cos(\widehat{\vec{k}_{1,2}, \vec{r}})$. Thus the K_{IB}^h factor which comes from hard photon emission RC's reads

$$\begin{aligned} K_{IB}^h(x, y, \Delta) - 2 \ln \Delta \\ = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int dC_1 d\Omega_2 \frac{y}{|A_2|} \left\{ \frac{1}{B(x, y)} I_{NC}(x, x_2, y) + 2 \frac{x}{x_2} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{B(x, y)} \frac{1}{x_2'} \left(I_L(x, x_2, y) - |A| \frac{a_L}{x_2 + y} \right) \right\} \\ + \int_y^1 \frac{dt}{t} \frac{B(x, t)}{B(x, y)} \left(1 - \frac{y}{t} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (C1)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
I_L(x, x_2, y) = & -y + \frac{2y}{a} - y^2 + \frac{2y^2}{a} - \frac{2yx}{a} + \frac{yx}{b} - \frac{yx}{ab} - \frac{y^2x}{b} - \frac{2y^2x}{ab} + \frac{y^3x}{ab} + \frac{yx^2}{ab} + \frac{y^2x^2}{ab} + x_2 - yx_2 - \frac{2yx_2}{a} - \frac{yx_2}{b} \\
& - \frac{2yx_2}{ab} + \frac{y^2x_2}{b} - \frac{2x_2}{x} + \frac{2yx_2}{x} + \frac{4yx_2}{ax} + \frac{xx_2}{b^2} + \frac{xx_2}{b} - \frac{yxx_2}{b^2} - \frac{yxx_2}{b} + \frac{2y^2xx_2}{ab} - \frac{x^2x_2}{b^2} + \frac{yx^2x_2}{ab} + \frac{x_2^2}{b} \\
& + \frac{yx_2^2}{b} - \frac{yxx_2^2}{b^2} + \frac{yxx_2^2}{ab} - \frac{x^2x_2^2}{b^2} - \frac{xx_2^3}{b^2} + \frac{y}{x'_1} + \frac{y^3}{x'_1} - \frac{yx}{x'_1} - \frac{yx}{bx'_1} + \frac{y^2x}{x'_1} + \frac{2y^2x}{bx'_1} - \frac{y^3x}{bx'_1} + \frac{yx^2}{bx'_1} - \frac{y^2x^2}{bx'_1} \\
& - \frac{yx_2}{x'_1} - \frac{yx_2}{bx'_1} + \frac{y^2x_2}{x'_1} + \frac{2y^2x_2}{bx'_1} - \frac{y^3x_2}{bx'_1} + \frac{2yxx_2}{x'_1} + \frac{2yxx_2}{b^2x'_1} + \frac{6yxx_2}{bx'_1} - \frac{4y^2xx_2}{b^2x'_1} - \frac{6y^2xx_2}{bx'_1} + \frac{2y^3xx_2}{b^2x'_1} \\
& - \frac{4yx^2x_2}{b^2x'_1} - \frac{4yx^2x_2}{bx'_1} + \frac{4y^2x^2x_2}{b^2x'_1} + \frac{2yx^3x_2}{b^2x'_1} + \frac{yx_2^2}{bx'_1} - \frac{y^2x_2^2}{bx'_1} - \frac{4yxx_2^2}{b^2x'_1} - \frac{4yxx_2^2}{bx'_1} + \frac{4y^2xx_2^2}{b^2x'_1} + \frac{4yx^2x_2^2}{b^2x'_1} \\
& + \frac{2yxx_2^3}{b^2x'_1} - \frac{2yx'_1}{a} + \frac{yxx'_1}{ab} - \frac{y^2xx'_1}{ab} + \frac{2x_2x'_1}{a} + \frac{2x_2x'_1}{b} + \frac{2x_2x'_1}{ab} - \frac{2x_2x'_1}{x} - \frac{4x_2x'_1}{ax} - \frac{xx_2x'_1}{b^2} - \frac{xx_2x'_1}{ab} \\
& - \frac{2yxx_2x'_1}{ab} - \frac{xx_2^2x'_1}{ab}, \tag{C2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$I_{NC}(x, x_2, y) = \frac{1}{x_2} I_{NC}^{singular}(x, x_2, y) + I_{NC}^{regular}(x, x_2, y), \tag{C3}$$

$$I_{NC}^{singular}(x, x_2, y) = \frac{-4x}{a} + \frac{4yx}{a^2} - \frac{2x}{x'_1} + \frac{2yx}{x'_1} + \frac{4yx}{ax'_1} - \frac{4xx'_1}{a^2} - \frac{4xx'_2}{a^2} - \frac{2xx'_2}{x'_1} - \frac{4xx'_2}{ax'_1}, \tag{C4}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
I_{NC}^{regular}(x, x_2, y) = & 2 - \frac{8}{a} + \frac{8y}{a^2} - \frac{4y}{a} + \frac{6x}{a} + \frac{4x}{ab} - \frac{4yx}{a^2} + \frac{3yx}{ab} - \frac{y^2x}{ab} - \frac{x^2}{ab} - \frac{yx^2}{ab} + \frac{6x_2}{a} + \frac{4x_2}{ab} - \frac{4yx_2}{a^2} + \frac{3yx_2}{ab} - \frac{y^2x_2}{ab} \\
& - \frac{4x_2}{ax} + \frac{4yx_2}{a^2x} + \frac{2yxx_2}{a^2} - \frac{6yxx_2}{ab} - \frac{3x^2x_2}{ab} - \frac{x_2^2}{ab} - \frac{yx_2^2}{ab} - \frac{3xx_2^2}{ab} - \frac{y}{x'_1} + \frac{2y}{ax'_1} - \frac{y^2}{x'_1} + \frac{2y^2}{ax'_1} + \frac{x}{x'_1} - \frac{yx}{x'_1} \\
& - \frac{2yx}{ax'_1} - \frac{yx}{bx'_1} - \frac{2yx}{abx'_1} + \frac{y^2x}{bx'_1} + \frac{x^2}{bx'_1} + \frac{yx^2}{bx'_1} - \frac{2yx_2}{ax'_1} + \frac{yx_2}{bx'_1} - \frac{yx_2}{abx'_1} - \frac{y^2x_2}{bx'_1} - \frac{2y^2x_2}{abx'_1} + \frac{y^3x_2}{abx'_1} + \frac{xx_2}{b^2x'_1} \\
& + \frac{xx_2}{bx'_1} - \frac{yxx_2}{b^2x'_1} - \frac{yxx_2}{bx'_1} + \frac{2y^2xx_2}{abx'_1} - \frac{yx^2x_2}{b^2x'_1} + \frac{yx^2x_2}{abx'_1} - \frac{x^3x_2}{b^2x'_1} + \frac{yx_2^2}{abx'_1} + \frac{y^2x_2^2}{abx'_1} - \frac{xx_2^2}{b^2x'_1} + \frac{yxx_2^2}{abx'_1} - \frac{x^2x_2^2}{b^2x'_1} \\
& - \frac{8x'_1}{a^2} + \frac{4xx'_1}{a^2} + \frac{4x_2x'_1}{a^2} - \frac{4x_2x'_1}{a^2x} - \frac{2xx_2x'_1}{a^2} - \frac{8x'_2}{a^2} + \frac{4xx'_2}{a^2} + \frac{4x_2x'_2}{a^2} - \frac{4x_2x'_2}{a^2x} - \frac{2xx_2x'_2}{a^2} - \frac{2yx'_2}{ax'_1} \\
& + \frac{2xx'_2}{ax'_1} + \frac{2xx'_2}{bx'_1} + \frac{2xx'_2}{abx'_1} + \frac{yx_2x'_2}{abx'_1} - \frac{y^2x_2x'_2}{abx'_1} - \frac{xx_2x'_2}{b^2x'_1} - \frac{xx_2x'_2}{abx'_1} - \frac{2yxx_2x'_2}{abx'_1} - \frac{x^2x_2x'_2}{abx'_1}, \tag{C5}
\end{aligned}$$

$$a_L = \frac{(1-x_2-y)[1+(1-x)^2]}{x^2(x+x_2+y-1)} \cdot \frac{(x_2+y)^2+y^2}{x_2+y}, \quad (\text{C6})$$

here $a = (xx_2/2)(1-C_{12}) - x - x_2$, $b = (xx_2/2)(1-C_{12}) + x'_1 + x'_2$, $x'_1 = (x_1y/2)(1-C_1)$, $x'_2 = (x_2y/2)(1-C_2)$, $C_{12} = C_1C_2 + S_1S_2\cos\phi_2$, where $C_{12} = \cos(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2)$, $S_{1,2} = \sin(\vec{k}_{1,2}, \vec{r})$. $A = xy + xx_2[C_2 - (C_1S_2/S_1)\cos\phi_2]$.

Let us note that the combination

$$\left(\frac{1}{B(x,y)} \frac{1}{x_2} I_{NC}^{\text{singular}}(x, x_2, y) + 2 \frac{x}{x_2} \right)$$

is finite at the $x_2 \rightarrow 0$ limit. In this integral the value of x_2 is fixed by the delta function in phase volume (21): $x_2 = (1/A_2)[2 - 2(x+y) + xy(1-C_1)]$. The energy conservation law gives $0 \leq x_2 \leq 2 - x - y$.

APPENDIX D: VECTOR AND SCALAR FOUR-DIMENSIONAL LOOP INTEGRALS

We introduce the following shorthand for impulse integrals (we imply the real part in right-hand side):

$$J_{ij \dots} = \int \frac{d^4 k_1}{i\pi^2} \frac{1}{(i)(j) \dots}, \quad J_{ij}^\mu \dots = \int \frac{d^4 k_1}{i\pi^2} \frac{k_1^\mu}{(i)(j) \dots}, \quad (\text{D1})$$

where we have used the short notation for the integral denominators,

$$\begin{aligned} (0) &= k_1^2 - \lambda^2, \\ (1) &= (p-k_1)^2 - M^2, \quad (1') = (p-k-k_1)^2 - M^2, \\ (2) &= (r-k_1)^2 - m^2, \quad (2') = (r+k-k_1)^2 - m^2. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{D2})$$

The integrals with two denominators are

$$\begin{aligned} J_{1'2} &= L_\Lambda, \quad J_{01} = L_\Lambda + 1, \quad J_{12} = L_\Lambda + 1 + \frac{y}{1-y} \ln y, \\ J_{12'} &= L_\Lambda, \quad J_{11'} = L_\Lambda - 1, \quad J_{01'} = L_\Lambda + 1 + \frac{x}{1-x} \ln x, \\ J_{22'} &= L_\Lambda - 1 - L_\beta, \quad J_{02} = L_\Lambda + 1 - L_\beta, \\ J_{02'} &= L_\Lambda + 1 - \ln(z), \quad J_{1'2'} = L_\Lambda + 1 - \frac{2-y}{1-y} \ln(2-y), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{D3})$$

where $L_\Lambda \equiv \ln(\Lambda^2/M^2)$, $L_\beta \equiv \ln \beta$, $\beta = m^2/M^2$.

The integrals with three denominators (we put $M=1$ and introduce the notation $\lambda_0^2 = \lambda^2/M^2$) are

$$J_{012} = \frac{1}{2y} \left[L_e \ln \lambda_0^2 - \ln^2 y + \frac{1}{2} L_\beta^2 + 2 \text{Li}_2 \left(\frac{y-1}{y} \right) \right],$$

$$J_{01'2} = \frac{1}{1-x} \left[-\xi_2 + \ln x \ln \frac{1-x}{\beta} + \text{Li}_2(x) \right],$$

$$J_{122'} = \frac{1}{1-y} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \ln^2 y + \text{Li}_2(1-y) - \ln \beta \ln y \right\}, \quad (\text{D4})$$

$$J_{012'} = -\frac{1}{2(1-z)} \ln^2 z, \quad J_{011'} = \frac{1}{x} [\text{Li}_2(1-x) - \xi_2],$$

$$J_{022'} = \frac{1}{z} \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln^2 \frac{z}{\beta} - \xi_2 \right], \quad J_{11'2} = -\frac{1}{1-y} \text{Li}_2(1-y),$$

where $L_e = \ln(y^2/\beta)$, $\xi_2 = \text{Li}_2(1) = \pi^2/6$.

We also need two integrals with four denominators:

$$J_{0122'} = -\frac{1}{2yz} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} L_e^2 + L_e \ln \frac{z^2}{\lambda_0^2} + 2\xi_2 \right\}, \quad (\text{D5})$$

$$J_{011'2} = \frac{1}{2xy} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} L_e^2 + L_e \ln \frac{x^2 \beta}{\lambda_0^2} + 2\xi_2 \right\}. \quad (\text{D6})$$

Now we consider the vector integrals with three denominators:

$$\begin{aligned} J_{012}^\mu &= p^\mu \alpha_{012} + r^\mu \beta_{012}, \\ J_{01'2}^\mu &= (p-k)^\mu \alpha_{01'2} + r^\mu \beta_{01'2}, \\ J_{011'}^\mu &= p^\mu \alpha_{011'} + k^\mu \beta_{011'}, \\ J_{012'}^\mu &= p^\mu \alpha_{012'} + (r+k)^\mu \beta_{012'}, \\ J_{11'2}^\mu &= p^\mu \alpha_{11'2} + r^\mu \beta_{11'2} + k^\mu c_{11'2}, \\ J_{122'}^\mu &= p^\mu \alpha_{122'} + r^\mu \beta_{122'} + k^\mu c_{122'}, \\ J_{022'}^\mu &= r^\mu \alpha_{022'} + k^\mu \beta_{022'}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{D7})$$

The coefficients α_{ijk} , β_{ijk} , and c_{ijk} are the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{012} &= \frac{1}{y} (J_{12} - J_{01}), \\ \beta_{012} &= \frac{1}{y} \left(J_{12} - J_{02} - \frac{2}{y} (J_{12} - J_{01}) \right), \\ \alpha_{011'} &= \frac{1}{x} (J_{01} - J_{01'} + x J_{011'}), \\ \beta_{011'} &= \frac{1}{x} \left(J_{11'} - J_{01'} - \frac{2}{x} (J_{01} - J_{01'} + x J_{011'}) \right), \\ \alpha_{01'2} &= \frac{1}{1-x} (J_{1'2} - J_{01'}), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\beta_{01'2} &= \frac{1}{1-x} (2J_{01'} - J_{1'2} - J_{02} - xJ_{01'2}), \\
\alpha_{012'} &= -\frac{1}{(1-z)^2} [2z(J_{12'} - J_{02'}) \\
&\quad - (1+z)(J_{12'} - J_{01} + zJ_{012'})], \\
\beta_{012'} &= -\frac{1}{(1-z)^2} [2(J_{12'} - J_{01} + zJ_{012'}) \\
&\quad - (1+z)(J_{12'} - J_{02'})], \\
\alpha_{022'} &= \frac{1}{z} (J_{02'} - J_{02} + zJ_{022'}), \\
\beta_{022'} &= \frac{1}{z} (J_{22'} - J_{02'}), \\
\alpha_{11'2} &= J_{11'2} + \frac{1}{1-y} (J_{12} - J_{1'2}), \\
\beta_{11'2} &= \frac{1}{1-y} (J_{1'2} - J_{12}), \\
c_{11'2} &= \frac{1}{1-y} [J_{11'} - 2J_{12} + J_{1'2} - (2-y)J_{11'2}], \\
\alpha_{122'} &= \frac{1}{1-y} (J_{12'} - J_{12}),
\end{aligned} \tag{D8}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\beta_{122'} &= J_{122'} + \frac{1}{1-y} (J_{12} - J_{12'}), \\
c_{122'} &= \frac{1}{1-y} (2J_{12} - J_{12'} - J_{22'} - yJ_{122'}).
\end{aligned}$$

The vector integrals with four denominators are:

$$J_{0122'}^\mu = p^\mu \alpha_{0122'} + r^\mu \beta_{0122'} + (r+k)^\mu c_{0122'}. \tag{D9}$$

The coefficients α_{ijk} , β_{ijk} , and c_{ijk} are the following:

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha_{0122'} &= \frac{1}{2(1-x)} \left[J_{122'} + \frac{1}{1-y} [zJ_{022'} - (1-2y+z)J_{012'} \right. \\
&\quad \left. - y(J_{012} - zJ_{0122'}) \right], \\
\beta_{0122'} &= \frac{1}{2(1-x)(1-y)z} \{ (z+y-zy-1)J_{122'} \\
&\quad - z(1-2y+z)J_{022'} + (1-z)^2 J_{012'} \\
&\quad + [y(1+z) - 2z](zJ_{0122'} - J_{012}) \}, \\
c_{0122'} &= \frac{1}{2z(1-x)} [(y-2z)J_{122'} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{1-y} \{ y^2(J_{012} - zJ_{0122'}) - yzJ_{022'} \\
&\quad - [y(1+z) - 2z]J_{012} \}].
\end{aligned} \tag{D10}$$

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