Lowest order QED radiative corrections to longitudinally polarized Møller scattering

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The total lowest-order electromagnetic radiative corrections to the observables in Møller scattering of longitudinally polarized electrons have been calculated. The final expressions obtained by the covariant method for the infrared divergency cancellation are free from any unphysical cut-off parameters. Since the calculation is carried out within the ultrarelativistic approximation our result has a compact form that is convenient for computing. Basing on these expressions the FORTRAN code MERA has been developed. Using this code the detailed numerical analysis performed under SLAC (E-158) and JLab kinematic conditions has shown that the radiative corrections are significant and rather sensitive to the value of the missing mass (inelasticity) cuts.

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I. INTRODUCTION

The present intense interest of physicists in polarized Møller scattering is stimulated by several reasons. Today the measurement of the parity-violating asymmetry A_{PV} in the recent experiment E158 [1,2] at SLAC gives the $\sin\theta_W$ with the best precision at low enegries. Further, experimentally Møller scattering is actively used in polarimetry to measure the polarization of the electron beams [3] as well as monitoring of luminosity (for example, at DESY [4]). Yet another reason stimulating an interest in Møller scattering consists in possibility to test the standard model and to reveal traces of new physics. In the intensively discussed projects of the ILC, e^-e^- and $\mu^-\mu^-$ colliders [5], high hopes for the discovery of Higgs bosons, manifestations of contact interactions, the compositeness of the electron, new gauge bosons, etc., are pinned on the scattering of identical polarized fermions (e, μ) .

A precise comparison of the experimental results with the theoretical predictions requires to take into account the radiative effects correctly on both QED and electroweak levels.

Generally within the polarimetry measurements by the Møller scattering, the value of the transferred momentum is rather low, and therefore electroweak effects can usually be neglected. But otherwise in the projects of ILC where the energies are characterized by the TeV region, the value of the weak and electromagnetic effects will have the same order. Similarly, due to specific character of observables (singly polarized parity-violating asymmetry), such experiments as E-158 is sensitive to both electromagnetic and electroweak radiative corrections (and new physics phenomena at the TeV scales).

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The exact calculation of the lowest-order electromagnetic radiative corrections to polarized Møller scattering was performed by Shumeiko and Suarez [6]. The electroweak radiative corrections to polarized Møller scattering at high energies were computed in [7] (without hard bremsstrahlung contribution), and at low energies corresponding to conditions of E-158 were computed in papers [8] (without hard bremsstrahlung) and [9,10] (including hard bremsstrahlung). The detailed calculation presented there demonstrates the significant value of the radiative effects that have to be explicitly included both in QED and the Electroweak theory predictions.

In the given paper we considered the lowest-order electromagnetic radiative corrections both to the longitudinally polarized cross sections and the doubly-polarized parity conserving asymmetry

$$A_{LR} = \frac{\sigma_{LR} - \sigma_{LL}}{\sigma_{LR} + \sigma_{LL}},\tag{1}$$

where the first (second) cross section subscripts L and Rcorrespond left and right degree of beam (target) polarization respectivelly. Similarly to [6], we perform our calculations within the covariant Bardin-Shumeiko approach [11,12], that allows to cancel out the infrared divergences in such a way that the final result does not depend on any unphysical parameters (such as a frame-dependent cut off ΔE that separates the soft photon contribution region from the hard one). Using the ultrarelativistic approximation allows us to obtain the compact form for radiative correction expression that is convenient (and sometimes necessary) for fast and more precise computer treatment. Moreover during the numerical estimations it was found that the numerical result strictly depends on missing mass cuts. At the same time it should be stress that the first correct application of the some kinematical cuts within the covariant Bardin-Shumeiko approach was presented in

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[13,14]. Unfortunately Ref. [6] did not investigate the effects of experimentally-motivated kinematical cuts.

The paper is organized as follows. In the Sec. II the kinematics of Møller scattering as well as the cross section and asymmetry at the lowest order are introduced. In the Sec. III the structure of the lowest-order radiative corrections (virtual and real photon contributions) is explained. The Sec. IV presents numerical results applied to the kinematics of E-158 (SLAC) and JLab experiments. The Sec. V contains some conclusions. The explicit expressions for finite part of the real photon emission could be find in the Appendix.

II. THE LOWEST-ORDER CONTRIBUTION

The lowest-order Feynman graphs giving the contribution to Møller scattering

$$e(k_1, \xi_L) + e(p_1, \eta_L) \rightarrow e(k_2) + e(p_2)$$
 (2)

are presented in Fig. 1. Here k_1 , p_1 (k_2 , p_2) are the 4momenta of the incoming (outgoing) electrons ($k_1^2 = k_2^2 = p_1^2 = p_2^2 = m$) while the beam (ξ_L) and target (η_L) polarization vectors read:

$$\xi_L = \frac{1}{\sqrt{s(s-4m^2)}} \left(\frac{s-2m^2}{m} k_1 - 2mp_1 \right),$$

$$\eta_L = \frac{1}{\sqrt{s(s-4m^2)}} \left(2mk_1 - \frac{s-2m^2}{m} p_1 \right).$$
(3)



FIG. 1. The lowest-order graphs giving contribution to the Møller scattering: (a) *t*-channel; (b) *u*-channel.

Then *s* and other Mandelstam variables can be introduce in the standard way:

$$s = (k_1 + p_1)^2, t = (k_1 - k_2)^2, u = (k_2 - p_1)^2, s + t + u = 4m^2. (4)$$

Notice that for the Born kinematics (strictly speaking for the nonradiative process)

$$u = u_0 \equiv 4m^2 - s - t.$$
 (5)

Neglecting the electron mass, the Born cross section for the Møller scattering of longitudinal electrons can be written as follows

$$\sigma^{0} = \frac{2\pi\alpha^{2}}{t^{2}} \left[(1+P)\frac{u^{2}}{s} - (1-P)\frac{s^{2}}{u} \right] + (t \leftrightarrow u). \quad (6)$$

Here and later each σ denotes the differential cross section over the kinematic variable y ($\sigma \equiv d\sigma/dy$) that is defined as

$$y = -\frac{t}{s},\tag{7}$$

 $P = P_B P_T$, where P_B , P_T are the polarizations of the beam and target electrons.

The form of the Born cross section (6) with factorized combinations $1 \pm P_B P_T$ is very convenient for construction of the polarization asymmetry (1) that does not depend on any energies:

$$A_{LR}^{0} = \frac{y(1-y)(y^2-y+2)}{(1+y(y-1))^2} = \frac{\sin^2\theta(7+\cos^2\theta)}{(3+\cos^2\theta)^2},$$
 (8)

where θ is a scattering angle of the detected electron with 4-momentum k_2 in the center mass system of the initial particles $\vec{k}_1 + \vec{p}_1 = 0$. The cosine of this angle can be express via invariants in the standard way:

$$\cos\theta^0 = 1 + 2t/s = 1 - 2y,\tag{9}$$

while the energy of the scattering lepton in Lab. system reads:

$$E_{k_2}^0 = \frac{s+t-2m^2}{2m}.$$
 (10)

III. ELECTROMAGNETIC RADIATIVE CORRECTIONS

The lowest-order radiative corrections to Møller scattering appears from the graphs with the additional virtual particle (V-contribution, see Fig. 2 for the *t*-channel) and from the real photon bremsstrahlung (R-contribution, see Fig. 3 for the *t*-channel). It should be noted that both these parts include the infrared divergency but their sum must be infrared free. In this section the explicit expression for Vand R- contributions as well as their infrared free sum are presented. LOWEST ORDER QED RADIATIVE CORRECTIONS TO ...



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FIG. 2. The virtual one-loop graphs giving contribution to the corrected Møller scattering within *t*-channel.

A. Virtual contribution

For the calculation of one-loop electromagnetic radiative corrections we apply the on-shell renormalization scheme of electroweak standard model. The building blocks needed for explicit calculations according this scheme have been worked out in paper of Böhm *et al.* [15], where we take the results for gauge boson selfenergies and vertex functions.

The virtual contributions to Møller scattering can be separated into three parts:

$$\sigma^{V} = \sigma^{S} + \sigma^{Ver} + \sigma^{Box}, \qquad (11)$$

where

(1) σ^{S} is a virtual photon self-energy contribution [Fig. 2(a)];

- (2) σ^{Ver} is a vertex function contribution [Fig. 2(b) and 2(c)];
- (3) σ^{Box} is a box contribution [Fig. 2(d) and 2(e)].

Now we consider each of them.

(1) The contribution of the virtual photon self energies (including the photon vacuum polarization by hadrons) to the cross section looks like

$$\sigma^{S} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^{2}}{t^{2}} \operatorname{Re}\left(-\frac{1}{t}\hat{\Sigma}_{T}^{\gamma}(t) + \Pi_{h}(-t)\right) \\ \times \left[(1+P)\frac{u^{2}}{s} - (1-P)\frac{s^{2}}{u}\right] + (t \leftrightarrow u). (12)$$

Here $\hat{\Sigma}_T^{\gamma}(-t)$ is the renormalized transverse part of the γ -self-energy [15] (this part includes vacuum

polarization by e, μ and τ charged leptons: in corresponding formula of [15] we should take a summing index $f = e, \mu, \tau$). Hadronic part of the photonic vacuum polarization associated with light quarks can be directly obtained from the data on process $e^+e^- \rightarrow$ hadrons via dispersion relations. Here we use parameterization of [16]

$$\operatorname{Re} \Pi_{h}(-t) \cong A + B \log(1 + C|t|), \qquad (13)$$

with updated parameters A,B,C in different energy regions.

(2) For the contribution of electron vertices we used the results of the paper [15] (see also references therein). We can obtain the vertex part as

$$\sigma^{\text{Ver}} = \frac{2\alpha^3}{t^2} \left[(1+P)\frac{u^2}{s} - (1-P)\frac{s^2}{u} \right] \Lambda_1(t, m^2) + (t \leftrightarrow u),$$
(14)

where

$$\Lambda_1(t, m^2) = -2 \log \frac{|t|}{\lambda^2} \left(\log \frac{|t|}{m^2} - 1 \right) + \log \frac{|t|}{m^2} + \log^2 \frac{|t|}{m^2} + 4 \left(\frac{\pi^2}{12} - 1 \right).$$
(15)

(3) Our calculation for the box cross section gives compact formula:

$$\sigma^{\text{Box}} = \frac{2\alpha^3}{t} \left[\frac{1+P}{s} \left(\frac{2u^2}{t} \log \frac{s}{|u|} \log \frac{|su|}{\lambda^2 m^2} - \delta^1_{(\gamma\gamma)} \right) - \frac{1-P}{u} \left(\frac{2s^2}{t} \log \frac{s}{|u|} \log \frac{|su|}{\lambda^2 m^2} - \delta^2_{(\gamma\gamma)} \right) \right] + (t \leftrightarrow u),$$
(16)

The expressions $\delta_{(\gamma\gamma)}^{1,2}$ have the form:

$$\delta^{1}_{(\gamma\gamma)} = l_{s}^{2} \frac{s^{2} + u^{2}}{2t} - l_{s}u - (l_{x}^{2} + \pi^{2})\frac{u^{2}}{t},$$

$$\delta^{2}_{(\gamma\gamma)} = l_{s}^{2} \frac{s^{2}}{t} + l_{x}s - (l_{x}^{2} + \pi^{2})\frac{s^{2} + u^{2}}{2t},$$
(17)

and logarithms look like

$$l_s = \log \frac{s}{|t|}, \qquad l_x = \log \frac{u}{t}.$$
 (18)

It should be noted that vertex and box parts contain the infrared divergence through the appearance of the fictitious photon mass λ . The infrared part from virtual cross section can be extracted in a simple way:

$$\sigma_{IR}^{V} = \sigma^{V} - \sigma^{V} (\lambda^{2} \rightarrow s)$$
$$= -\frac{2\alpha}{\pi} \log \frac{s}{\lambda^{2}} \left(\log \frac{tu}{m^{2}s} - 1 \right) \sigma^{0}.$$
(19)

B. Real bremsstrahlung contribution

The full set of Feynman graphs contributed to the real photon bremsstrahlung are presented in Fig. 3. For extraction of the infrared divergency we use the prescription of Bardin and Shumeiko [11]:

$$\sigma^{R} \equiv \sigma^{R} - \sigma^{R}_{IR} + \sigma^{R}_{IR} = \sigma^{R}_{F} + \sigma^{R}_{IR}, \qquad (20)$$

where the infrared free part can be presented in the following way

$$\sigma_F^R = -\frac{\alpha^3}{\pi s} \int_0^{v_{\text{max}}} dv \sum_{i=1}^{10} S_i.$$
(21)

The explicit expressions for S_i are presented in the Appendix. The integration in (21) is performed over variable v that is a so-called inelasticity. The reason of this term can be explain by the fact that for the radiative process the last relation in (4) transforms into

$$s + t + u = v + 4m^2.$$
(22)

The explicit expression for v can be defined as $v = \Lambda^2 - m^2$, where $\Lambda = k_1 - k_2 + p_1$ and Λ^2 is a so-called missing mass squared.

It should be noted that due to kinematical restrictions the upper limit of the integration in (21) is defined as

$$v_{\max} = \frac{st + \sqrt{s(s - 4m^2)t(t - 4m^2)}}{2m^2} \sim s + t.$$
 (23)

On the other hand, the energy of the scattering lepton in Lab. system (10) for the radiative process transforms into

$$E_{k_2}^R = \frac{s + t - v - 2m^2}{2m},$$
 (24)

and reaches its minimum value for $v = v_{max}$

$$E_{k_2}^R|_{v=v_{\max}} = \frac{s+t-v_{\max}-2m^2}{2m} \sim -m\frac{s^2+t^2}{2st}.$$
 (25)

Obviously the electron with the energy (25) cannot be detected. Moreover, as it was point out first in [13], the variable v can be directly reconstructed from the measured momenta. However not all events with nonzero $v < v_{cut}$ can be rejected from the experimental data due to finite resolution of the experimental equipment. Therefore during the radiative corrections calculation for the given experimental setup it is necessary to take into account this fact.

Notice that for the radiative events the cosine of the scattering angle in the center mass system of the initial particles also depends on integration variable v:

$$\cos\theta^R = 1 + 2t/(s - v). \tag{26}$$

The infrared-divergent part of bremsstrahlung cross section integrated over the real photon phase space is given in terms of a finite (and infinitesimal) photon mass λ in

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FIG. 3. The real one photon emission graphs giving contribution to the corrected Møller scattering within *t*-channel.

$$\sigma_{IR}^{R} = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \bigg[4 \log \frac{\upsilon_{\max}}{m\lambda} \bigg(\log \frac{tu}{m^{2}s} - 1 \bigg) + \delta_{1}^{S} + \delta_{1}^{H} \bigg] \sigma^{0},$$
(27)

where (see [11] for details)

$$\delta_1^S = -\frac{1}{2}l_m^2 + (3 - 2l_r)l_m - (l_m - 1)\log\frac{s(s+t)}{t^2} - \frac{1}{2}l_r - \frac{\pi^2}{3} + 1$$
(28)

and

$$\delta_{1}^{H} = -\frac{5}{2}l_{m}^{2} + \left(\log\frac{t^{2}(s+t)^{2}(s-v_{\max})}{s(s+t-v_{\max})^{2}v_{\max}(v_{\max}-t)} + 1\right)l_{m} - \frac{1}{2}\log^{2}\frac{v_{\max}}{|t|} - \log^{2}\left(1-\frac{v_{\max}}{t}\right) + \log\frac{s+t}{s+t-v_{\max}}\log\frac{(s+t)(s+t-v_{\max})}{t^{2}} + \log\frac{s-v_{\max}}{|t|}\log\frac{s-v_{\max}}{s} + \log\frac{v_{\max}}{|t|} + 2\left[\operatorname{Li}_{2}\left(\frac{v_{\max}}{s}\right) - \operatorname{Li}_{2}\left(\frac{v_{\max}}{t}\right) - \operatorname{Li}_{2}\left(\frac{v_{\max}}{s+t}\right)\right] + \operatorname{Li}_{2}\left(\frac{s-v_{\max}}{s}\right) - \operatorname{Li}_{2}\left(\frac{t-v_{\max}}{t}\right) - \frac{\pi^{2}}{6}.$$
(29)

Here $Li_2(x)$ is the Spence function and

$$l_m = \log \frac{-t}{m^2}, \qquad l_r = \log \frac{s+t}{s}.$$
(30)

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Summing up (11) and (27)

$$\sigma^{RV} = \sigma_{IR}^{R} + \sigma^{V}$$

$$= \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \left(4 \log \frac{v_{\max}}{m\sqrt{s}} \left(\log \frac{tu}{m^{2}s} - 1 \right) + \delta_{1}^{S} + \delta_{1}^{H} \right) \sigma^{0}$$

$$+ \sigma^{V} (\lambda^{2} \rightarrow s), \qquad (31)$$

we obtain a cancellation of infrared divergencies from Rand V- contribution.

Finally, the total infrared free radiative corrected cross section reads:

$$\sigma^{\rm obs} = \sigma^0 + \sigma^{RV} + \sigma^R_F. \tag{32}$$

IV. NUMERICAL ESTIMATIONS

Basing on the equations presented above the FORTRAN code MERA¹ (Møller scattering: Electromagnetic RAdiative corrections) has been developed. In this section using MERA the numerical estimation of radiative effects to the Møller scattering of longitudinally polarized electrons is presented.

There are two basic differences between the numerical analysis that are performed in this and previous [6,10] papers: we show the dependence of radiative corrections on the scattering angle in the center mass system of the initial electrons, we investigate the dependence of radiative corrections on the value of the missing mass cut.

As it was mentioned above for the radiative events the cosine of the scattering angle has to be expressed not only via t and s as for nonradiative events (9) but and via inelasticity v too (see (26)). Taking into account that we calculate the cross section as a function of y or t = -ys (because s is fixed) and inelasticity is the inegration variable we has some uncertanties in the definition of the scattering angle for the observable cross section (32). In order to escape it we use the standard nonradiative approximation (9), i.e. we assume that

$$\cos\theta^R \sim \cos\theta^0 = 1 + 2t/s. \tag{33}$$

The cross section for polarized Møller scattering can be presented as a difference of the unpolarized and polarized parts

$$\sigma^{0,obs} = \sigma_u^{0,obs} - P \sigma_p^{0,obs}.$$
 (34)

In the Fig. 4 the θ -dependence of the relative radiative correction for the unpolarized and polarized parts of the cross section

$$\delta^{u,p} = \sigma^{\rm obs}_{u,p} / \sigma^0_{u,p} \tag{35}$$

for three different inelasticity cuts v_{cut} (and, therefore Λ^2 cuts): $v_{\text{cut}} = 0.5v_{\text{max}}$, $0.9v_{\text{max}}$ and $0.99v_{\text{max}}$ is presented.



FIG. 4. The relative corrections to the unpolarized (δ^u) and polarized (δ^p) parts of the cross section as a functions of the scattering angle (defined according to Eq. (33)) for JLab ($E_{\text{beam}} = 1$ GeV, solid lines) and SLAC ($E_{\text{beam}} = 45$ GeV, dashed lines) kinematic conditions with different inelasticity cuts: 1) $v_{\text{cut}} = 0.5 v_{\text{max}}$; 2) $0.9 v_{\text{max}}$; 3) $0.99 v_{\text{max}}$.

One can see the following features of their behavior: the presence of maximum values at $\theta \ge 90^{\circ}$; sizable increasing when v_{cut} tending to its maximum value. For the $v_{\text{cut}} = 0.5v_{\text{max}}$ the corrections δ^{u} (δ^{p}) for $\theta = 90^{\circ}$ equal to 1.075 (1.064) for SLAC and 1.054 (1.045) for JLab.

The θ -dependence of the Born and observable asymmetries with the same inelasticity cuts is presented in Fig. 5. In this figure it can be seen that in the most region of θ the corrected asymmetries are less then the Born ones and essentially decrease with the increasing v_{cut} . The Fig. 6, where θ -dependence of the relative corrections to the asymmetries

$$\delta_A = \frac{A_{LR}^{\text{obs}} - A_{LR}^0}{A_{LR}^0} \tag{36}$$

is presented, reflects this fact clear. Particularly, it could be seen that for the realistic $v_{cut} = 0.5v_{max}$ we have

¹FORTRAN code MERA is available from http://www.hep.by/ RC

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FIG. 5. θ -dependence (θ is defined according to Eq. (33)) of the Born (solid line) and observable (dashed lines) asymmetries for JLab ($E_{\text{beam}} = 1 \text{ GeV}$) and SLAC ($E_{\text{beam}} = 45 \text{ GeV}$) kinematic conditions with different inelasticity cuts: 1) $v_{\text{cut}} =$ $0.5v_{\text{max}}$; 2) $0.9v_{\text{max}}$; 3) $0.99v_{\text{max}}$.



FIG. 6. The relative corrections to the asymmetry (36) as a functions of the scattering angle (defined according to Eq. (33)) for JLab ($E_{\text{beam}} = 1$ GeV, solid lines) and SLAC ($E_{\text{beam}} = 45$ GeV, dashed lines) kinematic conditions with different inelasticity cuts: 1) $v_{\text{cut}} = 0.5v_{\text{max}}$; 2) $0.9v_{\text{max}}$; 3) $0.99v_{\text{max}}$.



FIG. 7. The relative corrections to the asymmetry (36) as a functions of $v_{\text{cut}}/v_{\text{max}}$ at the scattering angle (defined according to Eq. (33)) in CM system 1) $\theta = 90^{\circ}$; 2) 100^o for JLab ($E_{\text{beam}} = 1$ GeV, solid lines) and SLAC ($E_{\text{beam}} = 45$ GeV, dashed lines) kinematic conditions.

 $\delta_A = -0.008(-0.01)$ for JLab (SLAC) at $\theta = 90^0$ while for $v_{\text{cut}} = 0.99v_{\text{max}}$ the relative corrections to the asymmetries reach $\delta_A = -0.4(-0.55)$ for JLab (SLAC) at the same angle.

Let us consider the situation with more realistic small v_{cut} . As it could be seen from (29) and (31) the radiative corrected cross section (32) diverge when v_{cut} tends to zero. Such cross section behavior can be explain in a simple way. Naturally that there is no any real photon emission in the limit $v_{cut} \rightarrow 0$. Therefore we need to say about the infrared divergency that appear from V-contribution and can not be canceled due to any real photon emission absent.

The other very interesting feature consists in the deviation of the observable asymmetry from the Born one at the small v_{cut} where asymmetry reach its maximum value. Because of rather small effects once again in Fig. 7 the quantity (36) as a function of the ratio v_{cut}/v_{max} is presented for JLab and SLAC kinematic conditions. From this picture it can be seen that for $0.001v_{max} < v_{cut} < 0.1v_{max}$ the relative correction to the asymmetry is flat and consists some dozen of percent while starting with $v_{cut} > 0.1v_{max}$ it rapidly falls.

V. CONCLUSIONS

The explicit expressions for the lowest-order electromagnetic radiative corrections to Møller scattering of longitudinally polarized electrons in ultrarelativistic approximation have been obtained. Basing on these expressions the FORTRAN code MERA has been developed.

The numerical analysis performed for different values of missing mass (inelasticity) cut has shown that the radiative corrections are strongly depended on this parameter. So when this cut tends to its maximum value two tendencies

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should be observed: the radiatively corrected cross sections increase while the radiatively corrected asymmetries decrease. At the same time θ -dependence has shown some common features: the relative corrections to the cross sections (asymmetries) has a maximum (minimum) at $\theta \ge 90^0$. For more realistic small cuts the relative corrections to the asymmetry are rather flat and amounts some dozen percent.

Taking into consideration a large scale of obtained radiative effects we proof the necessity of radiative correction procedure for JLab and SLAC experiments. Particularly to perform data processing correctly it is necessary to construct Monte Carlo generator for simulation of radiative events within Møller scattering. PHYSICAL REVIEW D 72, 033018 (2005)

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APPENDIX

 S_1 is the *t*-channel contribution of the emission from the upper electron leg:

$$\begin{split} S_1 &= S_1^u + PS_1^p + S_1^a, \\ S_1^u &= -L_A - \hat{L}_A + L_s(2s^2t^{-2} + 2t^{-1}u + 2t^{-2}u^2 + 1) + L_x(-2s^2t^{-2} - 2st^{-1} - 2t^{-2}u^2 - 1) - 2L_t + 4L_m \\ &- 2t^{-2}(\upsilon(s^2 + u^2)s^{-1}u^{-1} - 2t), \\ S_1^p &= -L_A + \hat{L}_A + L_s(-2t^{-1}u - 1) + L_x(-2st^{-1} - 1) + 4L_mt^{-1}(s - u) + 4t^{-2}(s + t - u) \\ &- 2(4s^2 + 2st - t^2)s^{-1}t^{-1}(s + t)^{-1} - 2(3s + 2t)t^{-1}u^{-1} + 2us^{-1}t^{-1}, \\ S_1^a &= 4(1 + P)t^{-2}(u + u_0)(1 + tL_m); \end{split}$$
(A1)

 S_2 is the *t*-channel contribution of the interference from the upper and lower electron legs:

$$S_2 = (S_2^u + PS_2^p)/t + S_2^a$$

$$\begin{split} S_2^u &= L_s(8s^3t^{-1} - 8s^2t^{-1}v + 8s^2 + 4st + 4st^{-1}v^2 - 6sv - t^2 + 2tv - v^2)/(t - v) + L_x(-8s^3t^{-1} + 16s^2t^{-1}v - 16s^2t^{-1}v - 16s^2t^{-1}v - 12st^{-1}v^2 + 22sv - 5t^2 + 12tv + 4t^{-1}v^3 - 11v^2)/(t - v) + 2L_u(2s + t - v) + L_1(4s^3t^{-1} - 4s^2t^{-1}v + 2s^2 + st + 2st^{-1}v^2 - sv + tv - v^2) + L_2(-4s^3t^{-1} + 8s^2t^{-1}v - 10s^2 - 9st - 6st^{-1}v^2 + 13sv - 3t^2 + 7tv + 2t^{-1}v^3 - 6v^2) + 2L_3t(-2s - t + v) + 2t((v - s)^{-1} - (s + t)^{-1} + 2(2s + t - v)/(t - v)^2), \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} S_2^p &= L_s(12s^2t + 8s^2t^{-1}v^2 - 20s^2v + 4st^2 - 12stv - 4st^{-1}v^3 + 12sv^2 - t^3 + 3t^2v - 3tv^2 + v^3)/(t-v)^2 \\ &+ L_x(-12s^2t - 8s^2t^{-1}v^2 + 20s^2v - 20st^2 + 52stv + 12st^{-1}v^3 - 44sv^2 - 7t^3 + 25t^2v - 33tv^2 \\ &- 4t^{-1}v^4 + 19v^3)/(t-v)^2 + 2L_ut + L_1(2s^2t^2 - 8s^2tv - 4s^2t^{-1}v^3 + 10s^2v^2 + st^3 - 3st^2v + 5stv^2 + 2st^{-1}v^4 \\ &- 5sv^3 + t^3v - 3t^2v^2 + 3tv^3 - v^4)/(t-v)^2 + L_2(-2s^2t^2 + 8s^2tv + 4s^2t^{-1}v^3 - 10s^2v^2 - 3st^3 + 17st^2v \\ &- 31stv^2 - 6st^{-1}v^4 + 23sv^3 - t^4 + 7t^3v - 17t^2v^2 + 19tv^3 + 2t^{-1}v^5 - 10v^4)/(t-v)^2 - 2L_3tv \\ &- 2t(t+v)(s+t)^{-1}(s-v)^{-1}, \end{split}$$

$$S_2^a = 2t^{-2}\{(L_x - \hat{L}_A)(s^2(1-P) + (u^2 + uu_0 + u_0^2)(1+P)) + s(L_A + L_s)(1+P)(u+u_0)\};$$
(A2)

 S_3 is the *t*-channel contribution of the emission from the lower electron leg:

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$$S_{3} = (S_{3}^{u} + PS_{3}^{p})/t^{2} + S_{3}^{a},$$

$$S_{3}^{u} = -L_{u}t(s^{2} + u^{2})(v - 2t)(t - v)^{-2} + (3s^{2}t^{3}\tau^{-1} + 12s^{2}t^{2} - 13s^{2}tv + 4s^{2}v^{2} + 3st^{4}\tau^{-1} + 9st^{3}$$

$$- 25st^{2}v + 17stv^{2} - 4sv^{3} + \frac{3}{2}t^{5}\tau^{-1} + t^{4} - 13t^{3}v + 19t^{2}v^{2} - \frac{21}{2}tv^{3} + 2v^{4})/(t - v)^{3},$$

$$S_{3}^{p} = L_{u}t(s - u)(2t - v)(t - v)^{-1} + \frac{(s - u)}{2\tau}(st^{3} + 8t^{2}v - 7tv^{2} + 4v^{3})(t - v)^{-2},$$

$$S_{3}^{a} = 2(1 + P)t^{-2}(u + u_{0})(1 + tL_{u});$$
(A3)

 $S_{4,5,6,7}$ are the contributions of the interference between the *t*- and *u*-channel graphs:

$$S_{4} = ((1 - P)S_{4}^{c} + PS_{4}^{p})/u + S_{4}^{a},$$

$$S_{4}^{c} = -2L_{1}s^{3}t^{-1} + L_{2}(2s^{3}t^{-1} + 4s^{2} + 3st + t^{2}) + 2\hat{L}_{A}(-3s^{3} - 7s^{2}t + 2s^{2}v - 5st^{2} + 3stv - t^{3} + t^{2}v)(s + t)^{-2}$$

$$+ 2L_{m}(2s - v) + L_{s}st^{-1}(2s - v) + L_{x}(-4s^{2}t^{-1} + 3st^{-1}v - 6s - 3t - t^{-1}v^{2} + 3v) + L_{t}(-2s - 3t + 2v)$$

$$+ L_{3}t(2s + t) + 2(-2s^{3}t^{-1}v + s^{3} - 2s^{2}t - 3st^{2} + 3stv - sv^{2} - t^{2}v + tv^{2})(s + t)^{-2}(t - v)^{-1},$$

$$S_{4}^{p} = 4s^{2}t^{-1}v(s + t)^{-2}, \qquad S_{4}^{a} = 2s^{2}(1 - P)(2 - u_{0}\hat{L}_{A} + 2tL_{m} + sL_{A})/(tuu_{0});$$
(A4)

$$\begin{split} S_{5} &= (1-P)S_{5}^{c} + S_{5}^{a}, \\ S_{5}^{c} &= L_{5}v + 2L_{6}(-s^{3} - s^{2}u + s^{2}v - sv^{2} - uv^{2} + v^{3})(s+u)^{-1}(v-u)^{-1}t^{-1} - \hat{L}_{A} \\ &+ 2L_{m}(-2s^{4}u^{-1} + 5s^{3}u^{-1}v - 4s^{3} - 3s^{2}u - 6s^{2}u^{-1}v^{2} + 10s^{2}v - 2su^{2} + 9suv + 4su^{-1}v^{3} - 11sv^{2} - u^{3} \\ &+ 4u^{2}v - 6uv^{2} - u^{-1}v^{4} + 4v^{3})(s+u)^{-1}(v-u)^{-1}t^{-1} + L_{r}(-2s^{3} - 2s^{2}u + s^{2}v - u^{2}v)(s+u)^{-1}(v-u)^{-1}t^{-1} \\ &+ L_{s}(4s^{4}u^{-1} - 4s^{3}u^{-1}v + 4s^{3} + 4s^{2}u + 3s^{2}u^{-1}v^{2} - 8s^{2}v - 4suv - su^{-1}v^{3} + 6sv^{2} + 2uv^{2} - 2v^{3}) \\ &\times (s+u)^{-1}(v-u)^{-1}t^{-1} - L_{t} + L_{u} - L_{x}(4s^{3}u + 2s^{3}u^{-1}v^{2} - 6s^{3}v - s^{2}u^{2} + 2s^{2}uv - s^{2}v^{2} - 2su^{3} + 7su^{2}v \\ &- 8suv^{2} + 3sv^{3} - u^{4} + 3u^{3}v - 4u^{2}v^{2} + 3uv^{3} - v^{4})(s+u)^{-1}(u-v)^{-2}t^{-1} + 4(2s-v)u^{-1}t^{-1}, \\ S_{5}^{a} &= 2s^{2}(1-P)(2 + sL_{s} + 2tL_{m} + u_{0}L_{s})t^{-1}u^{-1}u_{0}^{-1}; \end{split}$$

$$S_{6} = (1 - P)S_{6}^{c}/(tu) + S_{6}^{a},$$

$$S_{6}^{c} = 2L_{u}s^{2} - 3\tau^{-1}s^{2}t^{3}(t - v)^{-3} + t(5s^{4}t - 2s^{4}v + 10s^{3}t^{2} - 4s^{3}tv + s^{2}t^{3} + 10s^{2}t^{2}v - 12s^{2}tv^{2} + 4s^{2}v^{3} - 4st^{4}v^{4} + 14st^{3}v - 18st^{2}v^{2} + 10stv^{3} - 2sv^{4} + t^{4}v - 3t^{3}v^{2} + 3t^{2}v^{3} - tv^{4})(s + t)^{-2}(t - v)^{-3}$$

$$S_{6}^{a} = 2s^{2}(1 - P)(sL_{s} - u_{0}\hat{L}_{A} + tL_{u})t^{-1}u^{-1}u_{0}^{-1};$$
(A6)

$$S_{7} = ((1 - P)S_{7}^{c} + PS_{7}^{p})/(tu) + S_{7}^{a},$$

$$S_{7}^{c} = -2L_{1}s^{3} + L_{4}t(s^{2} + t^{2}) + L_{5}(s + t)(s - t - v)u + L_{s}s(2s - v) + L_{x}(-4s^{2} - 2st + 3sv + tv - v^{2})$$

$$+ L_{u}(-3s^{2}t^{2} + 4s^{2}tv - s^{2}v^{2} - 2st^{3} + 6st^{2}v - 6stv^{2} + 2sv^{3} - t^{4} + 3t^{3}v - 4t^{2}v^{2} + 3tv^{3} - v^{4})(t - v)^{-2}$$

$$+ 2(-4s^{3}t + 2s^{3}v - 7s^{2}t^{2} + 5s^{2}tv - 3st^{3} + 3st^{2}v - t^{3}v + 2t^{2}v^{2} - tv^{3})(s + t)^{-1}(t - v)^{-2},$$

$$S_{7}^{p} = 4s^{-1}v(s^{3} + 2t^{2}v - 4tv^{2} + 2v^{3})(t - v)^{-2},$$

$$S_{7}^{a} = 2s^{2}(1 - P)(2 + u_{0}L_{x} + tL_{u} + sL_{A})t^{-1}u^{-1}u_{0}^{-1};$$
(A7)

 $S_{8,9,10}$ are the pure u-channel contributions:

$$S_8 = (S_3^u + PS_3^p)|_{t \mapsto u}/u^2 + S_8^a, \qquad S_8^a = -2(s^2 + t^2 - (s^2 - t^2)P)((u + u_0)u^{-2}u_0^{-2} - \hat{L}_A u^{-1}u_0^{-1});$$
(A8)

$$S_9 = (S_2^u + PS_2^p)|_{t \mapsto u}/u + S_9^a, \qquad S_9^a = -2(s^2 + t^2 - (s^2 - t^2)P)(2tL_m + sL_A + sL_s + tL_u)(u + u_0)u^{-2}u_0^{-2}; \quad (A9)$$

$$S_{10} = (S_1^u + PS_1^p)|_{t \leftrightarrow u} + S_{10}^a, \qquad S_{10}^a = -2(s^2 + t^2 - (s^2 - t^2)P)(2(u + u_0)u^{-2}u_0^{-2} + L_xu^{-1}u_0^{-1});$$
(A10)

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Evidently, the contributions S_1 , S_2 , S_3 are in agreement with the corresponding terms of calculations [17] (unpolarized fermion scattering) and [18] (longitudinally polarized fermion scattering), if we suppose that masses of the initial fermions being equal.

Here we present the logarithms (and their combinations) which were used in hard bremsstrahlung calculation (notice that all of them do not lead to infrared singularity):

$$L_{m} = -\frac{1}{t} \log \frac{|t|}{m^{2}}, L_{A} = -\frac{1}{v-s} \log \frac{(v-s)^{2}}{m^{2}\tau},$$

$$\hat{L}_{A} = -\frac{1}{v-u} \log \frac{(v-u)^{2}}{m^{2}\tau}, L_{t} = \frac{1}{v-t} \log \frac{\tau(v-t)^{2}}{m^{2}t^{2}},$$

$$L_{s} = \frac{1}{s} \log \frac{s^{2}}{m^{4}}, L_{s} = -\frac{1}{u} \log \frac{u^{2}}{m^{4}},$$

$$L_{u} = \frac{1}{v-t} \log \frac{(v-t)^{2}}{m^{2}\tau}, L_{1} = \frac{1}{v} (L_{s} - L_{A}),$$

$$L_{2} = \frac{1}{v} (L_{x} + \hat{L}_{A}), L_{3} = \frac{1}{v} L_{v},$$

$$L_{4} = \frac{1}{v} (L_{u} - 2L_{m}), L_{5} = \frac{1}{v(s+t)} \log \frac{u^{2}m^{2}}{(v-u)^{2}\tau},$$

$$L_{6} = \frac{1}{s} \log \frac{s\tau^{2}}{m^{2}ut}, L_{r} = \frac{1}{u} \log \frac{t^{2}}{u^{2}}, \quad \tau = v + m^{2}.$$
(A11)

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