

# Depolarization effects at the IP of a linear collider

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- MOTIVATION: There is a physics requirement to produce polarized  $e^+e^-$  beams at a linear collider AND to know the actual state of polarization – need to know the extent of depolarization
- Review sources of depolarization and the equations which describe depolarization at the IP (T-BMT and the Sokolov-Ternov equations)
- Introduce full quantum treatment of beamstrahlung process by solving the Dirac equation in the field of the  $e^+e^-$  bunches
- Derive Sokolov-Ternov equation using Dirac equation solutions in external field (Volkov solutions) to determine approximations
- Discuss extension of beam field effects to 4-fermion processes
- Describe analytic calculation of 2<sup>nd</sup> order coherent processes

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# Polarization at a linear collider – physics requirements

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- Precision physics eg.  $e^+e^- \rightarrow Z \rightarrow f \bar{f}$  at the Z pole requires left right asymmetry  $\Delta A_{LR} < 10^{-4}$  Can only be achieved by the Blondel scheme and polarized positron beam up to 60% required
- Polarised beams can increase effective luminosity by up to 50% by suppressing backgrounds
- Precision physics also requires uncertainty on luminosity-weighted polarisation to be  $\leq 0.1\%$  We know depolarization from initial simulations to be
  - 0.1% due to storage ring, linac and bds
  - ~0.1% due to beam-beam processes at the IP
- Still need to reduce uncertainty – examine IP depolarization at the IP due to the effect of the strong bunch fields

# Fermion spin

- Electrons of momentum  $p$  and spin  $s$  are described by spinors  $u(p,s)$
- In the electron rest frame  $s$  is spatial  $(0,\underline{s}')$  and is Lorentz boosted to a frame with electron momentum  $p$  by

$$S^\mu = \left( \frac{\tilde{p} \cdot \tilde{s}'}{m_0}, \tilde{s}' + \frac{\tilde{s}' \cdot \tilde{p}}{m_0(E+m_0)} \tilde{p} \right)$$

Spin is normalised  
and orthogonal  $p^\mu$

- Spin projection operators  $\Sigma(s)$  suppress unwanted spin states and allow the transition rates of quantum processes of specific spin to be calculated using the usual trace sum.

$$\Sigma(s) = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{1} + \gamma_5 \not{s})$$

$$\Sigma(s)u(p, +s) = u(p, +s) \quad , \quad \Sigma(s)u(p, -s) = 0$$

# Depolarization at the IP

- There is depolarization (spin flip) due to the QED process of beamsstrahlung, given by the Sokolov-Ternov equation

$$dW = -i \frac{\alpha m}{\sqrt{3\pi}\gamma} \left[ \int_z^\infty K_{5/3}(z) dz + \frac{x^2}{1-x} K_{2/3}(z) \right] dx$$

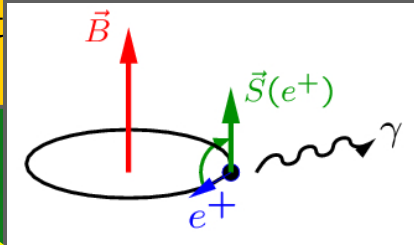
where  $z = \frac{2}{3\gamma\omega\epsilon_i} \frac{\omega_f}{\epsilon_i - \omega_f}$

- The fermion spin can also precess in the bunch fields. Equation of motion of the spin given by the T-BMT equation

$$\frac{d\vec{S}}{dt} = -\frac{e}{m\gamma} [(\gamma a + 1)\vec{B} - a(\gamma - 1)(\vec{B} \cdot \hat{p})\hat{p}] \times \vec{S}$$

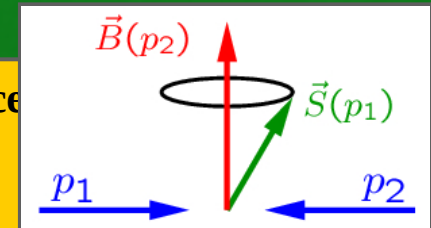
- At the IP, the anomalous magnetic moment subject to radiative corrections in the presence of the bunch field

Stochastic spin diffusion from photon emission: Sokolov-Ternov effect



Parameter set	Depolarization $\Delta P_{1w}$		
	T-BMT	S-T	total
Nominal	0.08%	0.02%	0.10%
low Q	0.04%	0.02%	0.06%
large Y	0.17%	0.02%	0.19%
low P	0.15%	0.09%	0.24%
TESLA	0.11%	0.03%	0.14%

Classical spin precession in inhomogeneous external fields: T-BMT equation.



# Sokolov-Ternov equation in more detail

- Derivation of S-T in the literature usually done with the semi-classical theory of Baier Katkov et al

$$\frac{\hbar\omega_0}{\epsilon_p} = \frac{B}{B_c} \left(\frac{m}{\epsilon_p}\right)^2$$

The energy levels of an ultrarelativistic electron in a magnetic field are very close together, so assume motion is classical i.e. Operators of the dynamical variables of the electron commute

- Would like to repeat using a more general technique – a full QED calculation using (Volkov) solutions of the Dirac equation in the bunch field
- So, will derive Sokolov-Ternov using Volkov solutions to obtain full expression for beamstrahlung
- As a check we will make sure that the full expression reduces to the Sokolov-Ternov **and** discover the approximations required in order to do so

# Solution of Dirac equation in beam field $A^e$

- External field described by its 4-momentum  $(\omega, \mathbf{k})$ , 4-potential  $A^e$  and field intensity  $v^2 = e|A^e|/mc^2$ .
- Gauge condition allows  $A^e(0, \mathbf{a})$  and  $(\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{k}), (\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{k}) = 0$

$$\left[ (p - eA^e)^2 - m^2 - \frac{ie}{2F_{\mu\nu}^e} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \right] \psi_V(x, p) = 0$$

- Look for a solution of the form:  $\psi_V(x, p) = u_s(p) F(\phi)$
- Substitution of the general solution for  $\psi_V$  yields a first order d.e. whose solution can be expanded in powers of  $k, A^e$  – terms  $> O(1)$  are zero

$$\psi_V(x, p) = \left[ 1 + \frac{e}{2(kp)} k A^e \right] \exp[F(k, A^e)] e^{-ipx} u_s(p)$$

# The Volkov solution in more detail

$$\psi_V(x, p) = \left[ 1 + \frac{e}{2(kp)} \cancel{k} A^e \right] \exp[F(x, p, k, A^e)] e^{-ipx} u_s(p)$$

make Fourier transform  
to get linear term in  $x$

non-external field  
Dirac solution

$$\int dr \exp[-i(r + v^2/kp)kx] F_2(p, k, A^e)$$

$r$  term interpreted as a  
contribution from  $r$   
external field photons ( $r$  can  
be -ve!)

$v^2$  term is a shift in electron  
momentum

for ILC parameters

$$\frac{\omega}{m} \approx 0.06, \quad v^2 = \frac{e|A^e|}{m} \approx 1$$

so for large  $E_p$  second  
term can be neglected

Volkov soln represented  
in Feynman diagrams by  
double straight lines

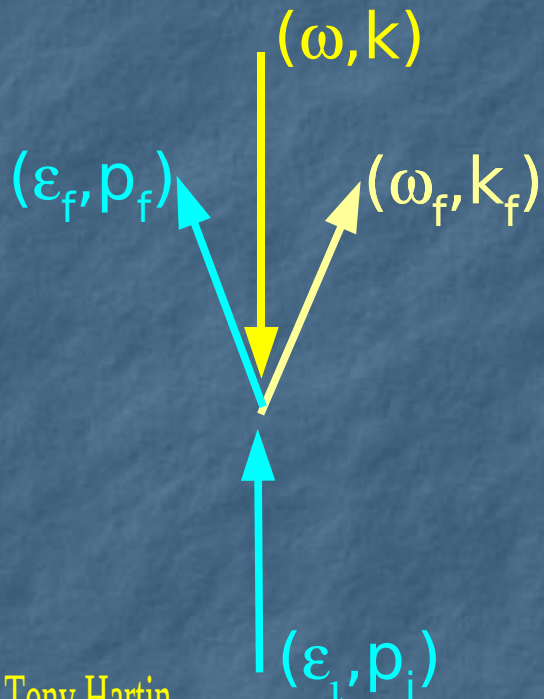
# Deriving the Sokolov-Ternov equation

Sokolov-Ternov equation can be written down using the 'operator method' of Baier et al

$$dW = -i \frac{\alpha m}{\sqrt{3\pi\gamma}} \left[ \int_z^\infty K_{5/3}(z) dz + \frac{x^2}{1-x} K_{2/3}(z) \right] dx \quad \text{where} \quad z = \frac{2}{3v\omega\epsilon_i} \frac{\omega_f}{\epsilon_i - \omega_f}$$

but, more generally can be obtained within limits using full Volkov solutions

lets just try to get (discovering required approximations along the way)



$$d\sigma_{fi} = \frac{1}{v(2\pi)^2} \frac{m^2}{4\epsilon_i\omega_i} \delta(P_i - P_f) \overline{\sum_i} \sum_f |T_{fi}|^2 \frac{dp_f dk_f}{\epsilon_f \omega_f}$$

- Matrix element contains one volkov solution per Feynman diagram order, so a product of solutions for S-T
- phase integral also contains an integration over the contribution from the bunch field



# (Partial) S-T derivation (continued)

constant crossed field:

$$\begin{aligned} A_\mu^e(x) &= a_{1\mu}(kx) \\ (a_1 a_1) &= -a^2 \\ (a_1 k) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Simplification 1:  $\underline{k} \parallel \underline{p}$   
so that  $(a_1 p) = 0$

$$\Psi_p^V(x) = E_p(x) u_p$$

$$E_p(x) = \left[ 1 + \frac{e}{2(kp)} k \phi_1(kx) \right]$$

$$\times \exp \left( -iqx + i \frac{e^2 a^2}{2(kp)} (kx) - i \frac{e(a_1 p)}{2(kp)} (kx)^2 - i \frac{e^2 a^2}{6(kp)} (kx)^3 \right)$$

where  $q = p + \frac{e^2 a^2}{2(kp)} k$

$$F_{1,r} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t \exp \left[ i(r+Q)t - iQ \frac{t^3}{3} \right] = 2\pi i Q^{-\frac{2}{3}} \text{Ai}'(z)$$

where

$$Q = v^2 \frac{(kk_f)}{(kp_i)((kp_i) - (kk_f))}$$

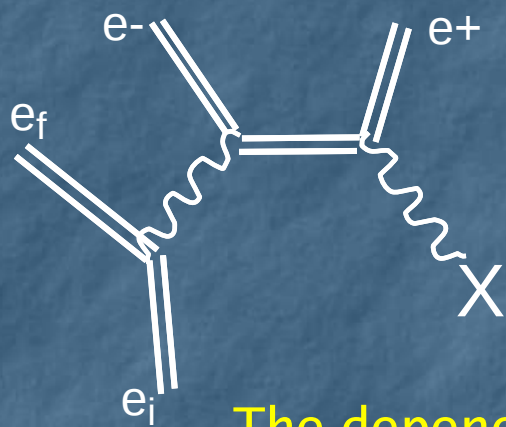
$$z = -(r+Q)Q^{-\frac{1}{3}}$$

Simplification 2:  $\underline{k} \parallel -\underline{k}_f$  and  $\epsilon_i \gg m_e$  then  $Q = \frac{v^2}{\omega \epsilon_i} \frac{\omega_f}{\epsilon_i - \omega_f}$

- $\int (\text{P.I.}) dr$  yields  $r \rightarrow Q$
- $Q^{-2/3} \text{Ai}'(Q^{-2/3}) = K_{2/3}(2Q/3)$

$$(S.T.) z = \frac{2}{3} \frac{\omega_f}{\omega \epsilon_i} \frac{1}{\epsilon_i - \omega_f} \quad (\text{volkov}) z = \frac{2}{3} \frac{(kk_f)}{(kp_i)((kp_i) - (kk_f))}$$

# 4-fermion IFQED process

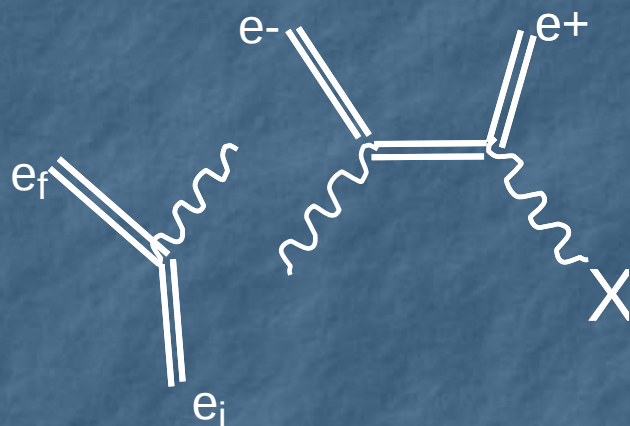
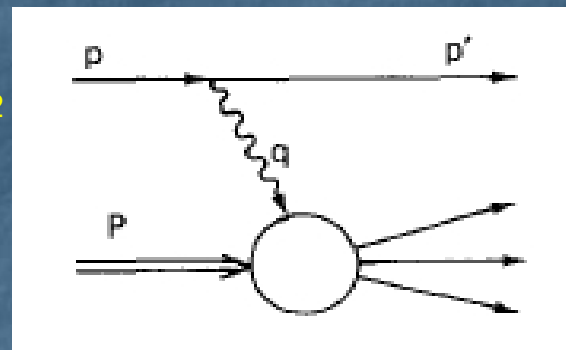


- To do bunch field effect properly replace all fermion lines by Volkov solutions
- 4<sup>th</sup> order external field process is intimidating so look for an 'external field' EPA

$k_f$

The dependency on fermion momenta have to be modified  $P_\mu \rightarrow P_\mu + k_\mu \gamma^2/2(kp)$  and  $P^2 \rightarrow P^2 + \gamma^2$

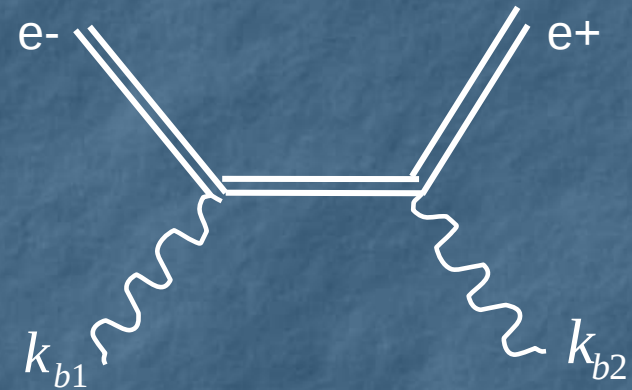
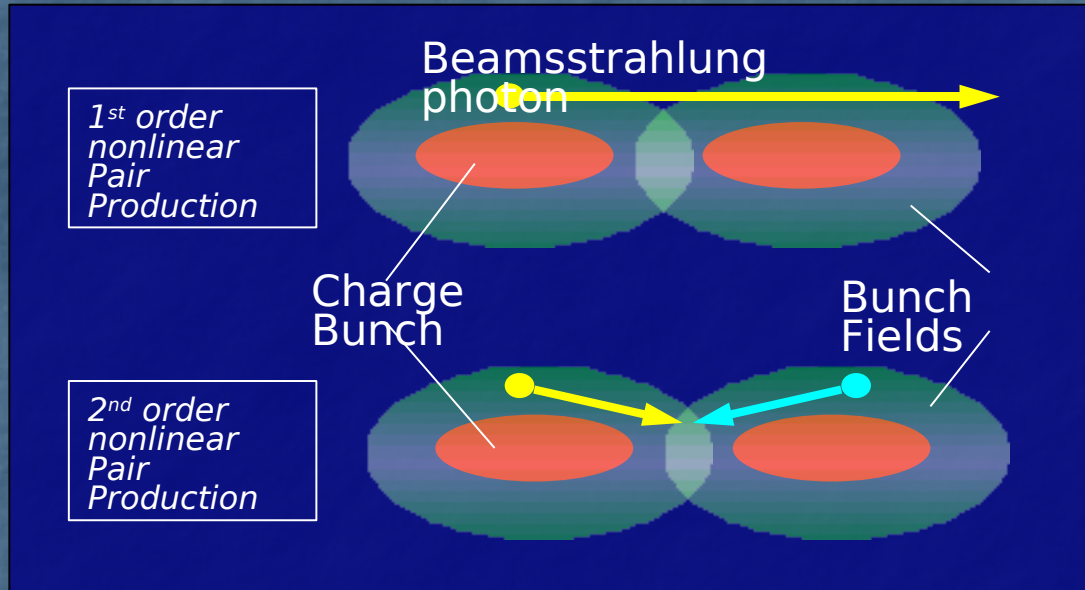
$$d\sigma = \frac{\alpha}{4\pi^2 |q^2|} \left[ \frac{(qP)^2 - q^2 P^2}{(pP)^2 - p^2 P^2} \right]^{1/2} (2\rho^{++}\sigma_T + \rho^{00}\sigma_S) \frac{d^3p'}{E'}$$



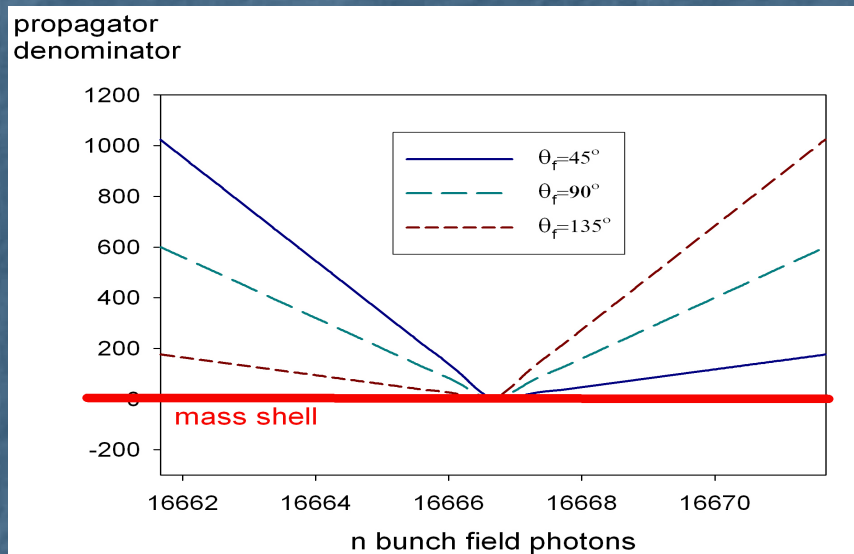
- So assuming EPA can still be used we are left with the 1<sup>st</sup> order external field process (Sokolov-Ternov). Known to be determined by the intensity of the bunch field  $\Upsilon$

- The 2<sup>nd</sup> order external field processes need special treatment. Propagators can reach the mass shell, the x-sections can exceed S-T and the effect does not necessarily have a simple relationship with  $\Upsilon$

# 2<sup>nd</sup> order external field process: Coherent Breit-Wheeler (CBW) process



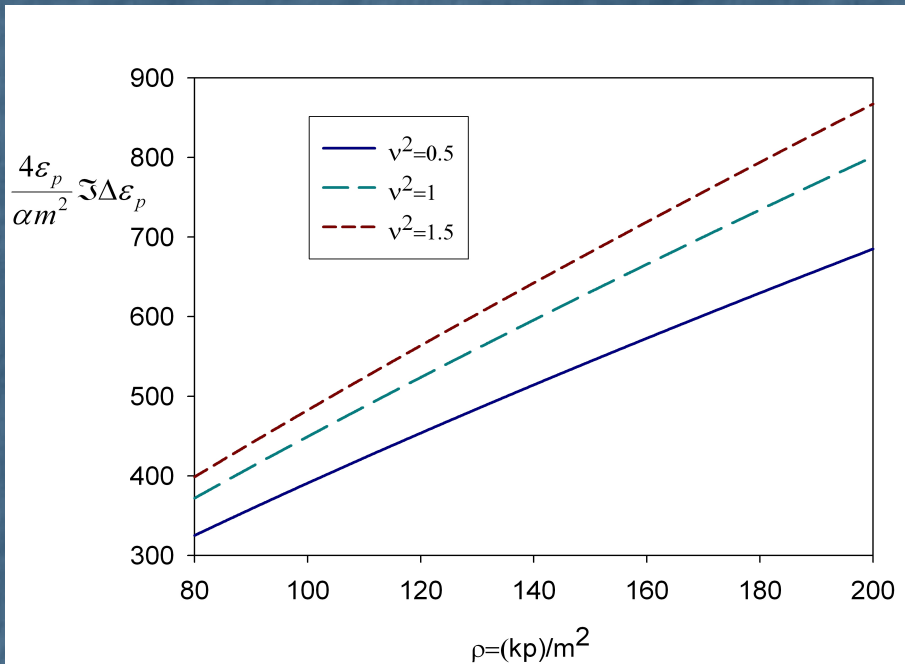
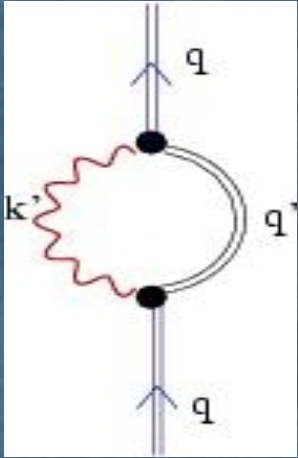
- 2<sup>nd</sup> order process contains twice as many Volkov  $E_p$
- Double integrals over products of 4 Airy functions – mathematical challenge!
- spin structure same as ordinary Breit-Wheeler



fermions receive a mass shift due to bunch field and the propagator can reach mass shell whenever  $r\omega \sim \omega_b$

# Calculation of Resonance widths

- The Electron Self Energy must be included in the Coherent Breit-Wheeler process
- This is a 2<sup>nd</sup> order IFQED process in its own right.
- Renormalization/Regularization reduces to that of the non-external field case



- The Electron Self Energy in external CIRCULARLY POLARISED e-m field originally due to Becker & Mitter 1975 for low field intensity parameter  $(ea/m)^2$ . Has been recalculated for general field intensity parameter
- ESE in external CONSTANT CROSSED field is due to Ritus, 1972
- Optical theorem: the imaginary part of the ESE has the same form as the Sokolov-Ternov equations

# Summary

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- We want highly polarized beams at a linear  $e^+e^-$  collider.
- We want to know precisely what the state of polarization is and consequently the depolarization at the IP
- The Sokolov-Ternov equation contains various approximations concerning particle energies and scattering angles
- Full quantum treatment of beamstrahlung involves Dirac equation solutions for fermions in the external field
- Calculating the beamstrahlung process using the full solutions reveals the approximations made in the Sokolov-Ternov equation
- To treat bunch field effects consistently we should modify 4-fermion processes by replacing **all** fermion lines by full Volkov solutions
- EPA has to be studied for validity when external fields are included
- 2<sup>nd</sup> order IFQED Coherent Breit-Wheeler discussed. Calculation has some mathematical challenges