The virtual-Delbruck-scattering potential for light muonic atoms

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Outline

1) Three types of light-by-light-scattering diagrams in muonic atoms

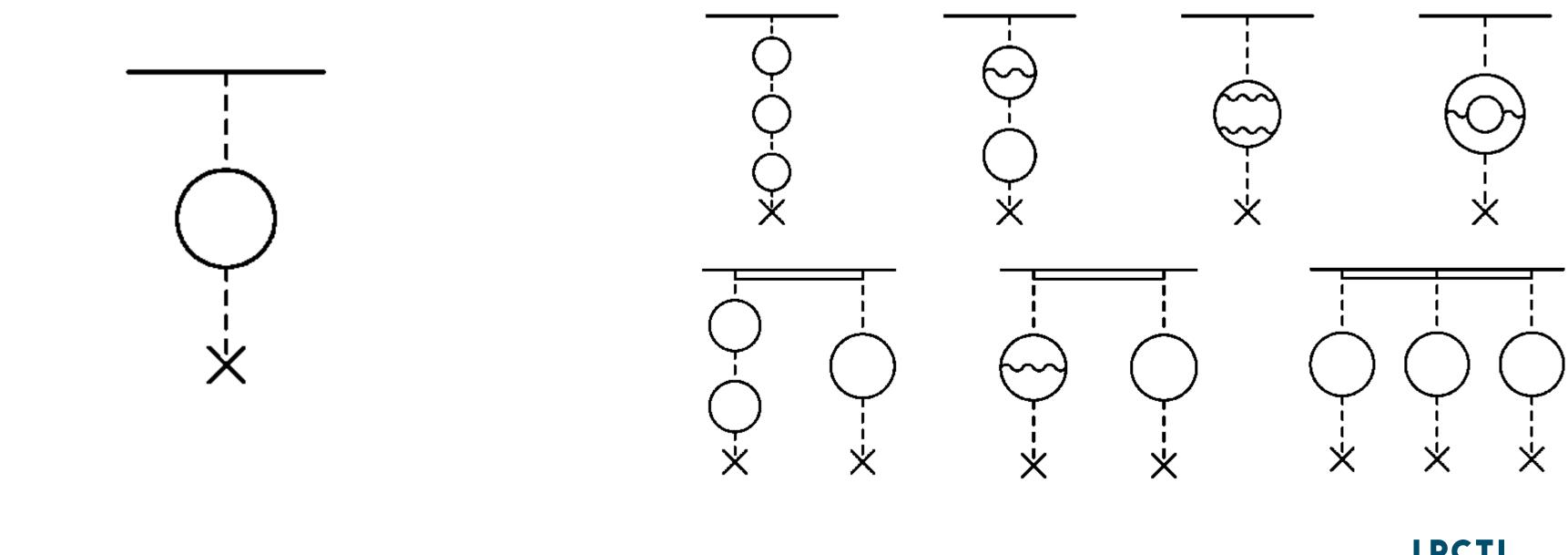
2) The static-muon approximation and its applicability

3) The effective potential for the virtual Delbrück scattering

- numerical data
- asymptotics
- resulting fit

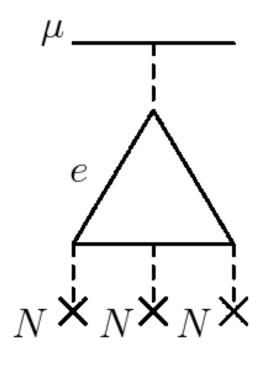
4) small summary

The Bohr radius in muonic atoms is comparable with the Compton wavelength of an electron. So the diagrams with the closed electron loops are enhance in QED theory of muonic atoms.



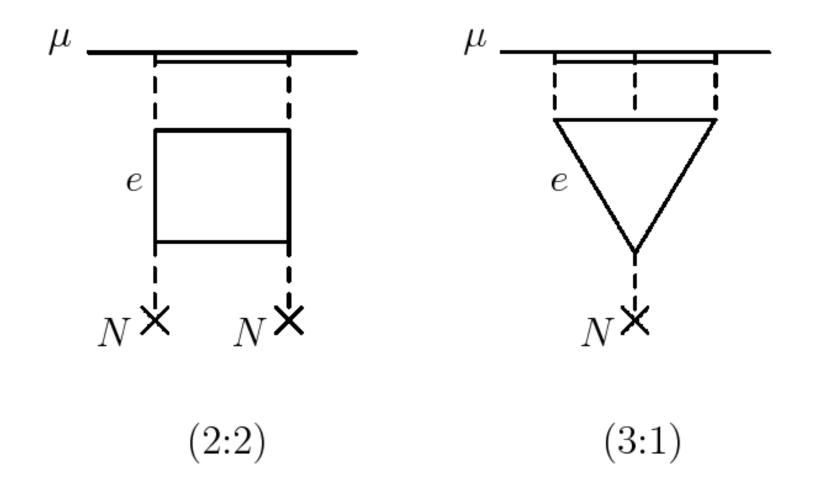
Specific type of the diagrams with the closed electron loops is related to Light-by-light scattering

- (1:3) Wichmann-Kroll contribution
- (2:2) the virtual Delbrück scattering contribution



(1:3)

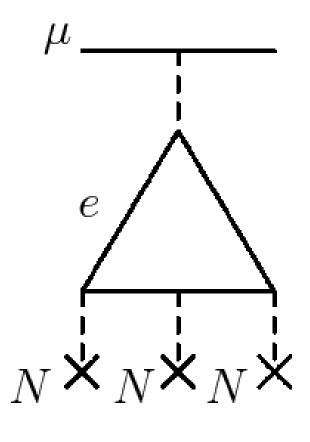
(3:1) without special name



(1:3) Wichmann-Kroll contribution has been studied for a while.

J.Blomkwist (1972) gives analytical representation for the WK potential

K.-N. Huang (1976) and E.Borie, G.A. Rinker (1982) published simple approximations of WK potential



(1:3)

Two other diagrams contains Coulomb Green-function of the muon, that makes it difficult to calculate.

First result for (3:1) was published in 2010

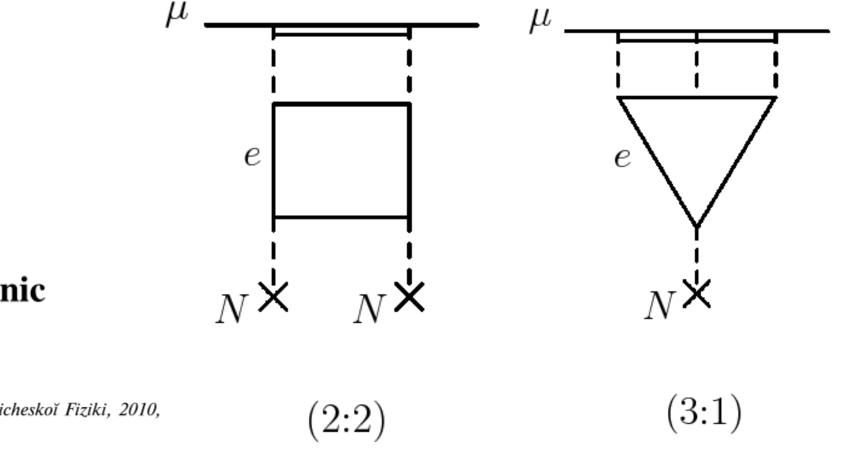
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Nonrelativistic contributions of order $\alpha^5 m_{\mu}c^2$ to the Lamb shift in muonic hydrogen and deuterium, and in the muonic helium ion

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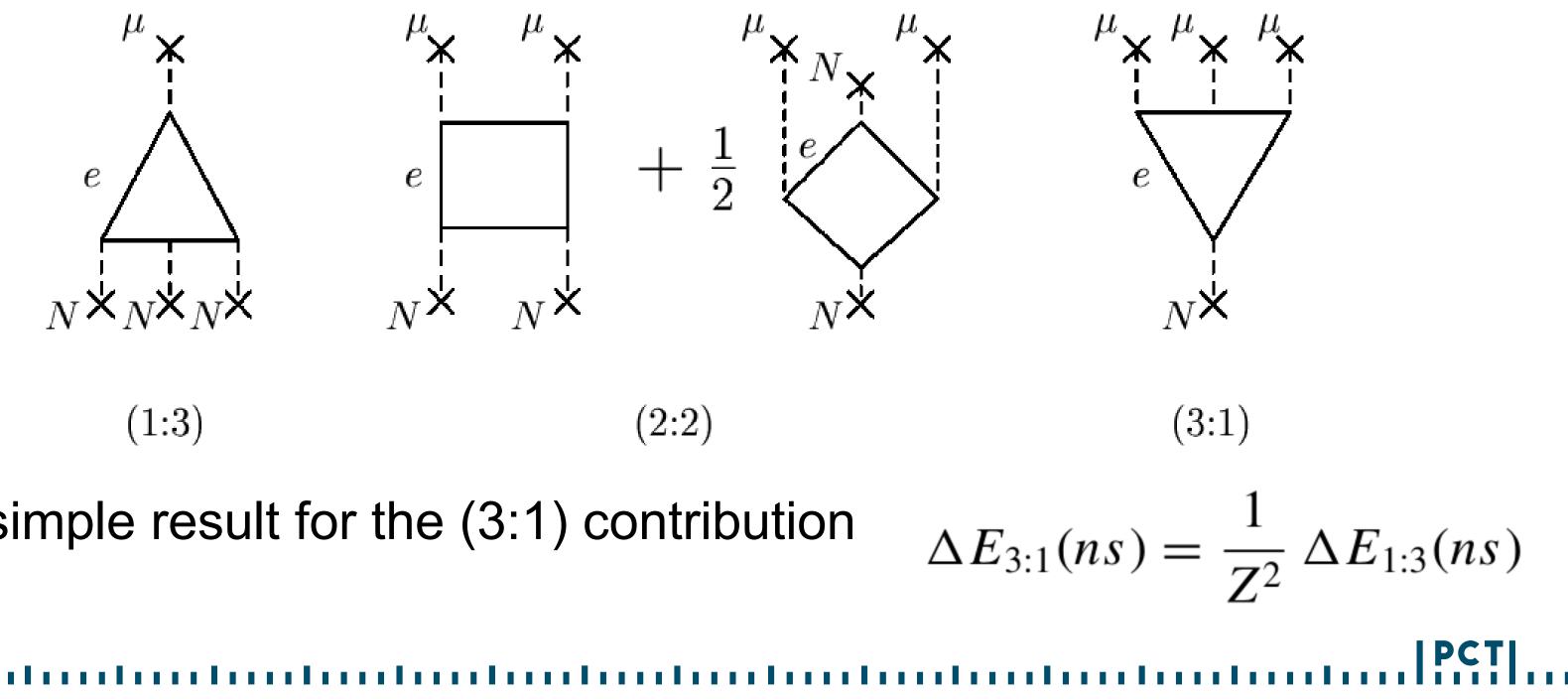
Contribution of Light-by-Light Scattering to Energy Levels of Light Muonic Atoms[¶]

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The static-muon approximation

We reduced the contribution to the case of the static-muon approximation

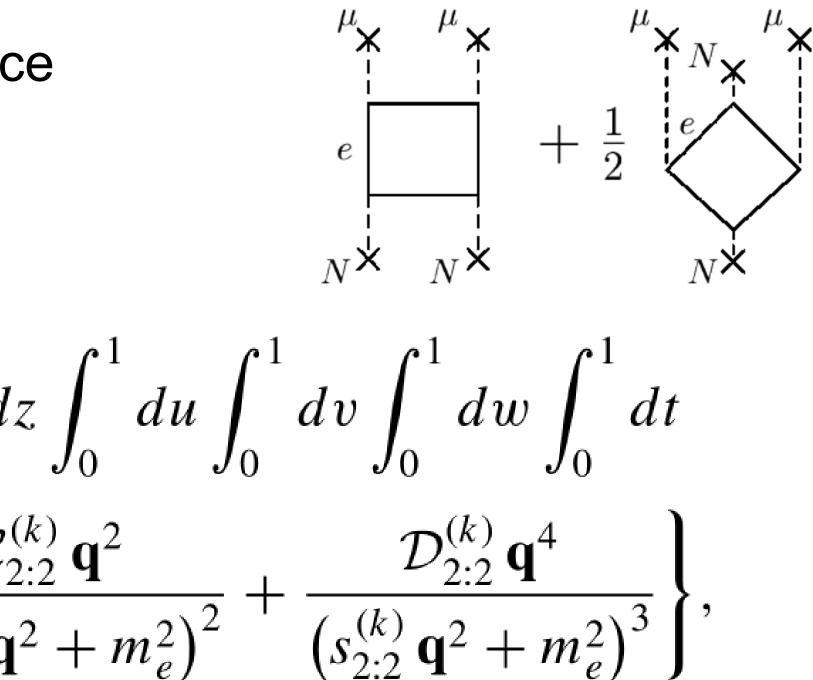


It gives simple result for the (3:1) contribution

(2:2) was presented in the momentum space

$$\Delta E_{2:2} = \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{q}}{(2\pi)^3} V_{2:2}(\mathbf{q}^2) F(\mathbf{q}^2),$$

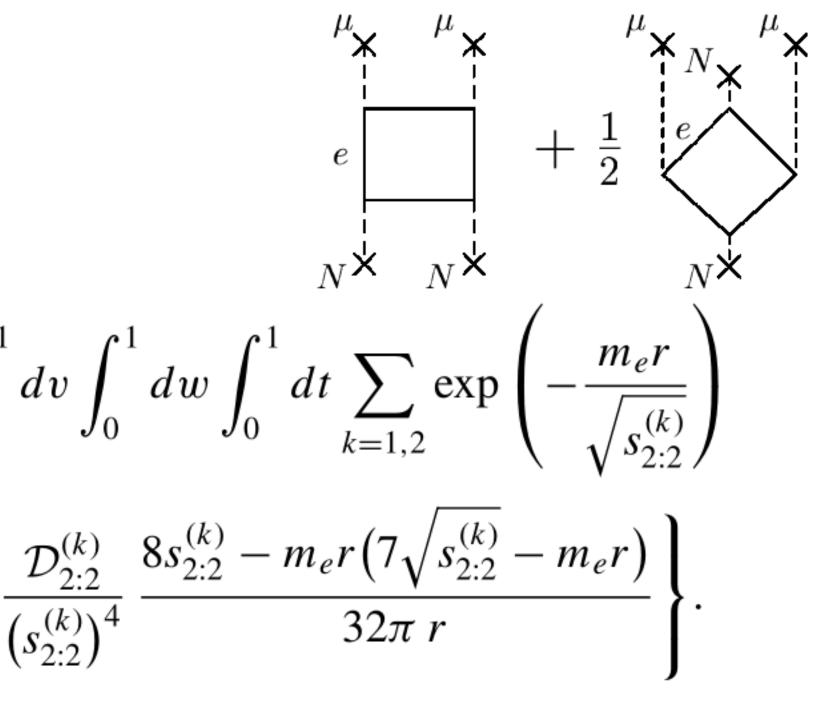
$$V_{2:2}(\mathbf{q}^2) = \frac{3}{4\pi} \,\alpha^2 (Z\alpha)^2 \,\int_0^1 dx \,\int_0^1 dy \,\int_0^1 dz$$
$$\times \sum_{k=1,2} \left\{ \frac{\mathcal{B}_{2:2}^{(k)}}{\left(s_{2:2}^{(k)} \,\mathbf{q}^2 + m_e^2\right)} + \frac{\mathcal{C}_{2:2}^{(k)}}{\left(s_{2:2}^{(k)} \,\mathbf{q}^2 + m_e^2\right)} + \frac{\mathcal{C}_{2:2}^{(k)}}{\left(s_{2:2}^{(k)} \,\mathbf{q}^2 + m_e^2\right)} \right\}$$



Fourier transformation gives result in the coordinate space

$$V_{2:2}(r) = \frac{3}{4\pi} \alpha^2 (Z\alpha)^2 \int_0^1 dx \int_0^1 dy \int_0^1 dz \int_0^1 du \int_0^1 dx \int_0^$$

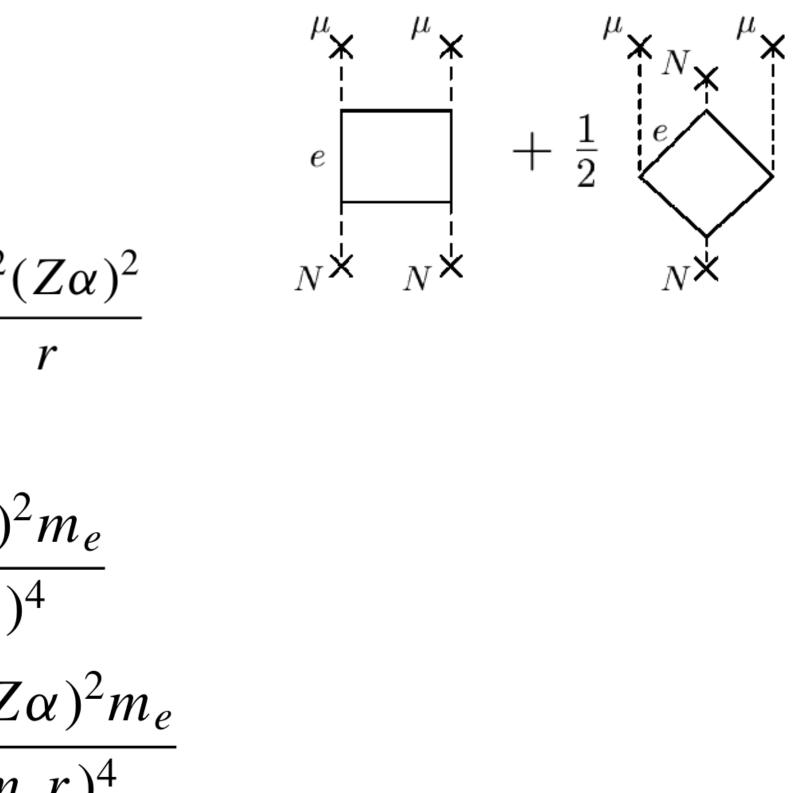
Numerical problems with r $\rightarrow \infty$ and spectral parameters $m_e^2/s_{2:2}^{(k)} = 0$ [PCT] D.I.Mendeleyev Institute for Metrology (VNIIM)



Asymtotics:

1) Short distances (numerical integration) $V_{2:2}(r \ll 1/m_e) \simeq -0.027565(13) \frac{\alpha^2 (Z\alpha)^2}{r}$

2) Large distances (soft photons limit) $V_{2:2}(r \gg 1/m_e) \simeq -\frac{59}{2304} \frac{\alpha^2 (Z\alpha)^2 m_e}{(m_e r)^4}$ $\simeq -0.025 \, 61 \, \frac{\alpha^2 (Z\alpha)^2 m_e}{(m_e r)^4}$



Original potential

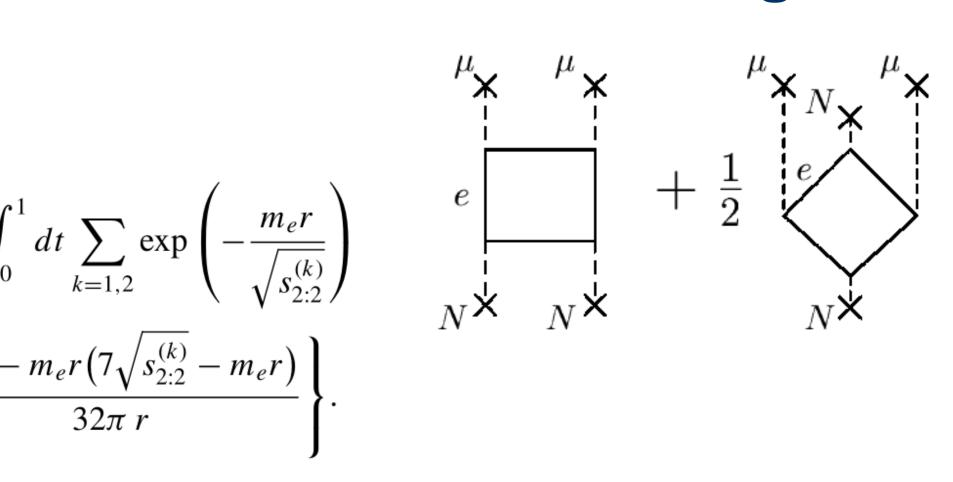
$$V_{2:2}(r) = \frac{3}{4\pi} \alpha^2 (Z\alpha)^2 \int_0^1 dx \int_0^1 dy \int_0^1 dz \int_0^1 du \int_0^1 dv \int_0^1 dv \int_0^1 dw \int_0^1 dt \sum_{k=1,2}^{k} dx \int_0^1 dx \int_0^1$$

The approximation equation

$$V_{2:2}^{\text{approx}}(r) = -\frac{\alpha^2 (Z\alpha)^2}{r} \frac{7.236 + 7.236}{262.5 + 902.0x + 751}$$

$$x = m_e r$$

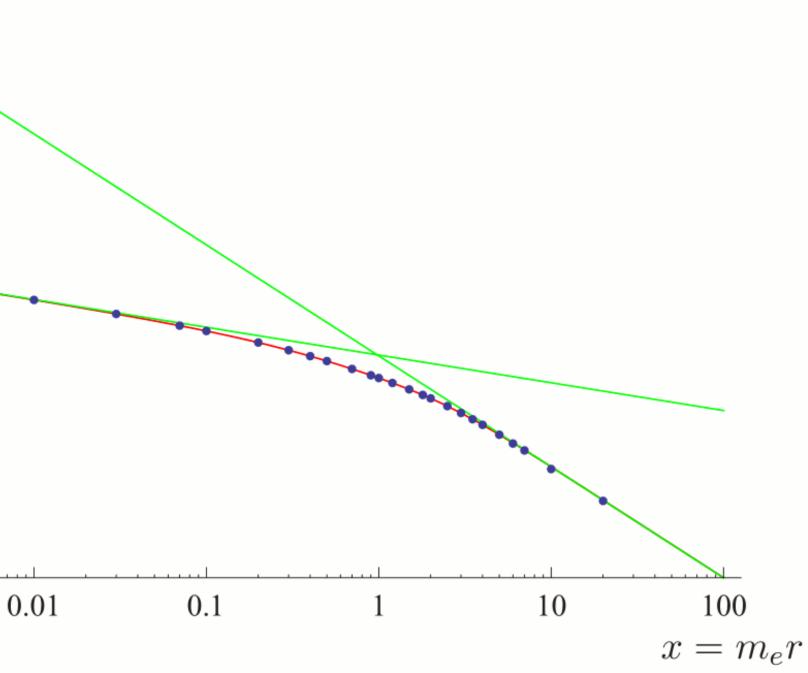
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 $\frac{+0.3099x + 2.561x^2}{1.7x^2 + 458.6x^3 + 2.62x^4 + 100x^5}$



The fit for (2:2) in static-muon approximation $V_{2:2}^{\text{approx}}(r) = -\frac{\alpha^2 (Z\alpha)^2}{r} \frac{7.236 + 0.3099x + 2.561x^2}{262.5 + 902.0x + 751.7x^2 + 458.6x^3 + 2.62x^4 + 100x^5}$ $V_{2:2}$ 10^{10} 10^{6} Accuracy of the fit: 100 10⁻³ for x<1 0.01 below 1-2 % for 1<x<10 10^{-6}



Summary

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