

Week 8

1. For the process $e^-p \rightarrow e^-X$ at $\sqrt{s} \gg m_p$, show that in the parton model

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dx dy} = \left(\sum_i x f_i(x) Q_i^2 \right) \frac{2\pi\alpha^2 s}{q^4} [1 + (1-y)^2]$$

where

$$x = -\frac{q^2}{2m_p\nu}, \quad \nu = \frac{p_B \cdot q}{m_p}, \quad y = \frac{p_B \cdot q}{p_B \cdot p_A},$$

$s = (p_A + p_B)^2$, $q = p_A - p_1$, m_p is the proton mass, p_B is the momentum of the proton, and p_A and p_1 are the momenta of the incoming and outgoing electron respectively. $f_i(x)$ is the parton distribution function of the parton i and Q_i its charge in units of e .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma}{dx dy} &= \int d\Omega \int dE_1 \left(\frac{d\sigma}{dE_1 d\Omega} \right)_{\text{LAB}} \delta\left(x + \frac{q^2}{2m_p\nu}\right) \delta\left(y - \frac{p_B \cdot q}{p_B \cdot p_A}\right) = \\ &= \int d\Omega \int dE_1 \frac{4\alpha^2 E_1^2}{q^4} F_2(x) \left(\frac{\cos^2(\theta/2)}{\nu} + \frac{\sin^2(\theta/2)}{x m_p} \right) \delta\left(x + \frac{q^2}{2m_p\nu}\right) \delta\left(y - \frac{p_B \cdot q}{p_B \cdot p_A}\right) = \\ &= F_2(x) \frac{4\alpha^2}{q^4} \int d\Omega \int dE_1 E_1^2 \left(\frac{\cos^2(\theta/2)}{\nu} + \frac{\sin^2(\theta/2)}{x m_p} \right) \sin\theta \delta\left(x + \frac{q^2}{2m_p\nu}\right) \delta\left(y - \frac{p_B \cdot q}{p_B \cdot p_A}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\delta\left(\frac{p_B \cdot q}{2m_p\nu} + \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\right) \quad \begin{aligned} &\bullet E_1 = |p_1|^2 \quad \bullet \nu = \frac{p_B \cdot q}{m_p} \quad d\Omega = d\theta \sin\theta d\phi \\ &\bullet q = p_A - p_1 \quad \bullet \frac{1}{2 \sin(\theta/2) \cos(\theta/2)} \\ &\bullet q^2 = (p_A - p_1)^2 = \underbrace{p_A^2 + p_1^2}_{=m_e^2} - 2p_A \cdot p_1 = 4E_A E_1 \sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{5}{4} (1 + (1-y)^2) = \int d\Omega \left(dE_1 \left(\frac{1}{\nu} + \frac{\sin^2(\theta/2)}{x m_p} \right) \sin\theta \delta\left(x + \frac{q^2}{2m_p\nu}\right) \delta\left(y - \frac{p_B \cdot q}{p_B \cdot p_A}\right) \right)$$

LAB $p_\theta = 0$

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$$\begin{aligned} y &= \frac{p_B \cdot q}{p_B \cdot p_A} = \frac{E_B \cdot E_1}{E_A \cdot E_1} \left\{ \begin{aligned} &\bullet p_B \cdot q = p_B \cdot (p_A - p_1) = p_B p_A - p_B p_1 \\ &\bullet p_B \cdot p_A = p_B p_A \end{aligned} \right\} = 1 - \frac{p_B p_1}{p_B p_A} = 1 - \frac{E_B E_1 \cos\theta}{E_A E_1} = 1 - \frac{E_B \cos\theta}{E_A} = \frac{E_A - E_B \cos\theta}{E_A} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dx dy} = F_2(x) \frac{2\pi\alpha^2 s}{q^4} \left(1 + (1 - \frac{p_B \cdot q}{p_B \cdot p_A})^2 \right) \delta\left(y - \frac{p_B \cdot q}{p_B \cdot p_A}\right) dE_1$$