

Experimental physics Vb (particle and astro-physics)

Exercise 05

Task 1 *Electron-muon-scattering* (4 points)

Consider electron-muon-scattering $e^+ + e^- \rightarrow \mu^+ + \mu^-$ in the context of QED, such that the differential cross section is given by

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha^2}{4s}(1 + \cos^2 \theta).$$

How many muon pairs are created at a center-of-mass energy of $\sqrt{s} = 34 \text{ GeV}$ and a luminosity of $5 \times 10^{30} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ per second inside the central region (scattering angle between 45° and 135°)?

Task 2 *Electric dipole moment of the neutron* (3 points)

Show that a permanent electric dipole moment of the neutron, which has a magnetic moment, violates both P and T symmetry (and hence from conservation of CPT violates also CP symmetry).

Task 3 *CKM matrix* (1+2+4+3+2=12 points)

As given in the lectures, let the CKM matrix be defined by

$$V_{CKM} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{i\delta} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

where $s_{ij} \equiv \sin \theta_{ij}$ and $c_{ij} \equiv \cos \theta_{ij}$.

- Show that V_{CKM} is a unitary matrix.
- Derive the closed form of V_{CKM} .
- Use the definitions

$$s_{12} = \lambda, \quad s_{23} = A\lambda^2, \quad s_{13}e^{-i\delta} = A\lambda^3(\rho - i\eta)$$

to derive the Wolfenstein parameterization shown in the lectures, up to order $\mathcal{O}(\lambda^4)$.

d. Prove that the relations

$$s_{12} = \lambda = \frac{|V_{us}|}{\sqrt{|V_{ud}|^2 + |V_{us}|^2}}, \quad s_{23} = A\lambda^2 = \lambda \left| \frac{V_{cb}}{V_{us}} \right|, \quad s_{13}e^{i\delta} = V_{ub}^* = A\lambda^3(\rho + i\eta)$$

follow both from the closed form and from the Wolfenstein parameterization.

e. Prove that the tip of the unitary triangle defined in the lectures lies indeed at (ρ, η) , or $(\bar{\rho}, \bar{\eta})$ respectively, in the complex plane.

Task 4 *Decay of the D^0 meson*

(3+3=6 points)

- a. Explain why the probability for a D^0 meson ($c\bar{u}$) to decay to $K^- \pi^+$ is much larger than to $K^+ \pi^-$. Draw the corresponding Feynman diagrams!
- b. Perform a rough estimation of the ratio of the two relative decay widths. Compare to the experimental data.