

§ 3.3 Crossing symmetry

Consider a scalar QED, based on the Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + (D_\mu \Phi_i)^* (D^\mu \Phi_i) - (M_i)^2 |\Phi_i|^2;$$

where Φ_i is a complex scalar field.

$$D_\mu = (\partial_\mu - ieQ_i A_\mu).$$

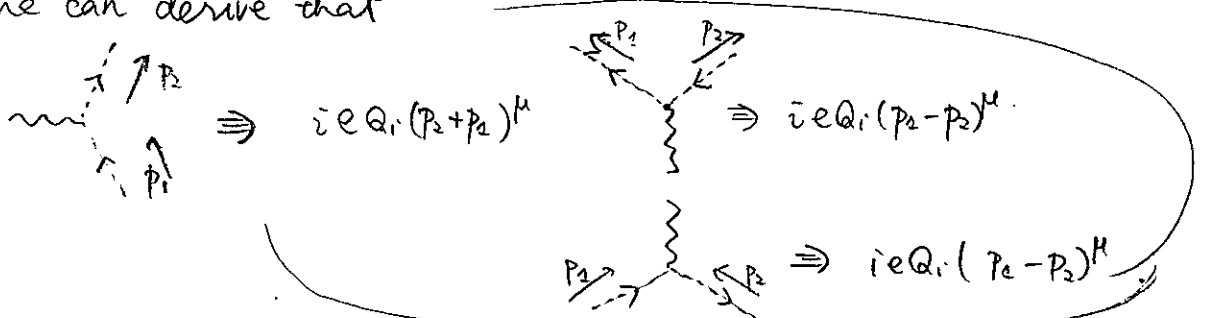
Then

$$\mathcal{L}_{int} = \sum_i e A_\mu Q_i [(-i\partial^\mu \Phi_i^*) \Phi_i + \Phi_i^* (i\partial^\mu \Phi_i)] + e^2 A_\mu A^\mu \sum_i [Q_i^2 \Phi_i^* \Phi_i].$$

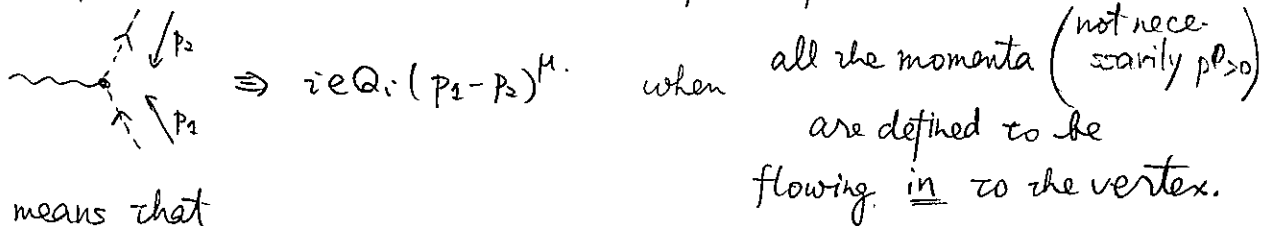
Using the fact that

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \Phi_i(x) &= \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2E_p}} (a_p \underline{e^{-ip \cdot x}} + b_p^\dagger \underline{e^{ip \cdot x}}) \\ \Phi_i^\dagger(x) &= \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2E_p}} (a_p^\dagger \underline{e^{ip \cdot x}} + b_p \underline{e^{-ip \cdot x}}) \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} p^\mu: \text{on the mass-shell} \\ (p^2 = M_i^2) \\ \text{with } p^{\mu 0} > 0. \end{array}$$

one can derive that



All of those vertex factors are in the form of



This means that

$$\Rightarrow i\mathcal{M} = \frac{i(eQ)^2 (p_3 - p_2) \cdot (p_4 - p_1)}{(p_1 + p_2)^2 + i\epsilon}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \cdot (p_3)^0, (p_4)^0 < 0 \\ \cdot (p_1 + p_2)^2 > 0 \end{array} \right.$$

this common amplitude is used via analytic continuation at different regions of the kinematical variables.

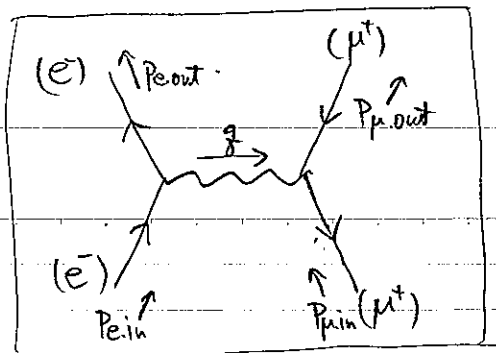
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \cdot (p_2)^0, (p_3)^0 < 0 \\ \cdot (p_1 + p_2)^2 < 0 \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \cdot (p_2)^0, (p_3)^0 < 0 \\ \cdot (p_1 + p_2)^2 < 0 \end{array} \right.$$

crossing symmetry

§3.4

$$(e^- \mu^+ \rightarrow e^- \mu^+)$$

$p_{e.in} \quad p_{\mu.in} \quad p_{e.out} \quad p_{\mu.out}$



The time-ordered correlation fun at $O(e^2)$. [fully connected comp'n't]

is given by

$$\left(\frac{i(\not{p}_{e.out} + m)}{(p_{e.out}^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon)} (iQ_e \gamma^\mu) \frac{i(\not{p}_{e.in} + m)}{(p_{e.in}^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon)} \right) \frac{-i\eta_{\mu\nu}}{(q^2 + i\epsilon)} \left(\frac{i(\not{p}_{\mu.out} + M)}{(p_{\mu.out}^2 - M^2 + i\epsilon)} (-iQ_\mu \gamma^\nu) \frac{i(\not{p}_{\mu.in} + M)}{(p_{\mu.in}^2 - M^2 + i\epsilon)} \right)$$

$$(2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_{e.out} + q - p_{e.in}) \times (2\pi)^4 \delta^4(p_{\mu.out} - q - p_{\mu.in}) \frac{d^4q}{(2\pi)^4}$$

By extracting the residue, we obtain the scattering amplitude

$$i\mathcal{M} = -i(Q_e Q_\mu e^2) \left[\bar{u}(\vec{p}_{e.out}) \gamma^\mu u(\vec{p}_{e.in}) \right] \left[\bar{v}(\vec{p}_{\mu.in}) \gamma_\mu v(\vec{p}_{\mu.out}) \right] \frac{1}{(p_{e.out} - p_{e.in})^2 + i\epsilon}$$

After summing up the final state spins and averaging the initial state spins, we have

$$\frac{1}{4} \sum_{r's'} \sum_{rs} |\mathcal{M}|^2 = \frac{(Q_e Q_\mu e^2)^2}{4t^2} \text{Tr}_{4 \times 4} \left[\gamma^\mu (\not{p}_{e.in} + m) \gamma^\nu (\not{p}_{e.out} + m) \right]$$

$$\text{Tr}_{4 \times 4} \left[\gamma_\mu (\not{p}_{\mu.out} - M) \gamma_\nu (\not{p}_{\mu.in} - M) \right]$$

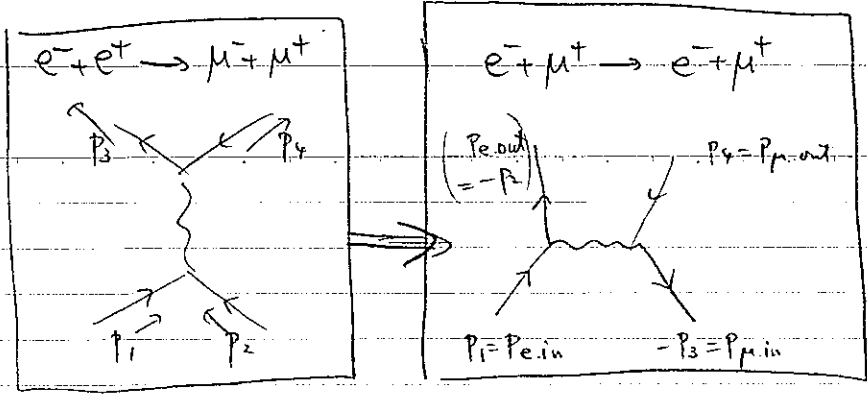
$$= \frac{(Q_e Q_\mu e^2)^2}{t^2} \times \left\{ m^2 \eta^{\mu\nu} - (p_{e.in} \cdot p_{e.out}) \eta^{\mu\nu} + (p_{e.in}^\mu p_{e.out}^\nu + p_{e.out}^\mu p_{e.in}^\nu) \right\}$$

$$\left\{ M^2 \eta_{\mu\nu} - (p_{\mu.in} \cdot p_{\mu.out}) \eta_{\mu\nu} + (p_{\mu.out}^\mu p_{\mu.in}^\nu + p_{\mu.out}^\nu p_{\mu.in}^\mu) \right\}$$

$$= \frac{(Q_e Q_\mu e^2)^2}{t^2} \times \left[t^2 + 2 \left\{ \left(\frac{-u + M^2 + m^2}{2} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{s - M^2 - m^2}{2} \right)^2 \right\} \right]$$

$$+ t \left(-\frac{t}{2} + M^2 \right) + t \left(-\frac{t}{2} + m^2 \right)$$

$$= \frac{(Q_e Q_\mu e^2)^2}{t^2} \times \left[\frac{u^2 + s^2}{2} + (t - u - s)(m^2 + M^2) + (m^2 + M^2)^2 \right]$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 s &= (p_1 + p_2)^2 \Rightarrow (p_{e.in} - p_{e.out})^2 = t \\
 t &= (p_3 - p_1)^2 \Rightarrow (p_{e.in} + p_{\mu.in})^2 = s \\
 u &= (p_4 - p_1)^2 \Rightarrow (p_{\mu.out} - p_{e.in})^2 = u
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \frac{2}{v \cdot s \cdot t \cdot u} |M|^2 \left[(Q_\mu Q_e e^2)^2 \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{s^2} \left[\frac{u^2 + t^2}{2} + (s - u - t)(m^2 + M^2) + (m^2 + M^2) \right] \iff \frac{1}{t^2} \left[\frac{u^2 + s^2}{2} + (t - u - s)(m^2 + M^2) + (m^2 + M^2) \right]$$

for $e^- + e^+ \rightarrow \mu^- + \mu^+$

$e^- + \mu^+ \rightarrow e^- + \mu^-$

crossing symmetry

Consider the non-relativistic limit of the current in a scattering.

$[\bar{u}_r(\vec{p}') \gamma^\mu u_s(\vec{p})]$ where the 4-momenta $p^\mu = (E_{\vec{p}}, \vec{p})$ and $p'^\mu = (E_{\vec{p}'}, \vec{p}')$ are both non-relativistic.

Now, in the basis where $\gamma^\mu = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma^\mu \\ \bar{\sigma}^\mu \end{pmatrix}$ $\sigma^\mu = (1, \vec{\sigma})$
 $\bar{\sigma}^\mu = (1, -\vec{\sigma})$ as in P.S.

$$u_s(\vec{p}) = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{E-\sigma} \xi_s \\ \sqrt{E+\sigma} \xi_s \end{pmatrix} \cong \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{M + \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2M} - \vec{p} \cdot \vec{\sigma}} \xi_s \\ \sqrt{M + \frac{\vec{p}^2}{2M} + \vec{p} \cdot \vec{\sigma}} \xi_s \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\cong \sqrt{M} \begin{pmatrix} \left(1 - \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \vec{\sigma}}{2M} + \frac{(\vec{p})^2}{8M^2}\right) \xi_s \\ \left(1 + \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \vec{\sigma}}{2M} + \frac{(\vec{p})^2}{8M^2}\right) \xi_s \end{pmatrix}$$

So,

$$\bullet [\bar{u}_r(\vec{p}') \gamma^0 u_s(\vec{p})] \cong M \times \left(\xi_r^\dagger \left(1 + \frac{\vec{p}' \cdot \vec{\sigma}}{2M} + \frac{(\vec{p}')^2}{8M^2}\right) \cdot \mathbb{1}_{2 \times 2} \cdot \left(1 + \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \vec{\sigma}}{2M} + \frac{(\vec{p})^2}{8M^2}\right) \xi_s \right. \\ \left. + \xi_r^\dagger \left(1 - \frac{\vec{p}' \cdot \vec{\sigma}}{2M} + \frac{(\vec{p}')^2}{8M^2}\right) \cdot \mathbb{1}_{2 \times 2} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \vec{\sigma}}{2M} + \frac{(\vec{p})^2}{8M^2}\right) \xi_s \right)$$

$$\cong 2M \left\{ \xi_r^\dagger \xi_s \left(1 + \frac{(\vec{p}')^2 + (\vec{p})^2}{8M^2}\right) + \xi_r^\dagger \frac{(\vec{p}' \cdot \vec{\sigma})(\vec{p} \cdot \vec{\sigma})}{4M^2} \xi_s \right\} + \mathcal{O}(|\vec{p}|^3)$$

$$= 2M \left\{ \xi_r^\dagger \xi_s \left(1 + \frac{(\vec{p}_{av})^2}{2M^2}\right) + \frac{i(\vec{p}' - \vec{p})^i (\vec{p}_{av})^j}{2M^2} \left(\xi_r^\dagger \frac{\vec{\sigma}^k}{2} \xi_s\right) \right\} \quad \vec{p}_{av} = \frac{\vec{p} + \vec{p}'}{2}$$

$$\bullet [\bar{u}_r(\vec{p}') \gamma^i u_s(\vec{p})] \cong M \left\{ \xi_r^\dagger \left(1 + \frac{\vec{p}' \cdot \vec{\sigma}}{2M} + \dots\right) \cdot \tau^i \cdot \left(1 + \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \vec{\sigma}}{2M} + \dots\right) \xi_s \right. \\ \left. - \xi_r^\dagger \left(1 - \frac{\vec{p}' \cdot \vec{\sigma}}{2M} + \dots\right) \cdot \tau^i \cdot \left(1 - \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \vec{\sigma}}{2M} + \dots\right) \xi_s \right\}$$

$$\cong 2M \xi_r^\dagger \frac{(\vec{p}' \cdot \vec{\sigma}) \tau^i + \tau^i (\vec{p} \cdot \vec{\sigma})}{2M} \xi_s \quad (\vec{p}' - \vec{p})$$

$$= 2M \left\{ \left(\xi_r^\dagger \xi_s\right) \cdot \frac{p_{av}^i}{M} - i \epsilon^{ijk} \frac{(\Delta p)^j}{M} \left[\xi_r^\dagger \left(\frac{\tau^k}{2}\right) \xi_s\right] \right\}$$

⇒ In a t-channel scattering, a non-rela particle rarely changes its spin.

⇒ $[\bar{u} \gamma^\mu u]$ in the quantum scattering amplitude is approximately the classical

$2M \times u^\mu = 2 \cdot \frac{p^\mu}{p_{av}}$ apart from spin-dep. corrections suppressed by $\left(\frac{\Delta \vec{p}}{M}\right)$. PLUS

★ Let us take the target (μ^+ now) mass M to be much larger than the incoming electron energy (in the CM frame).

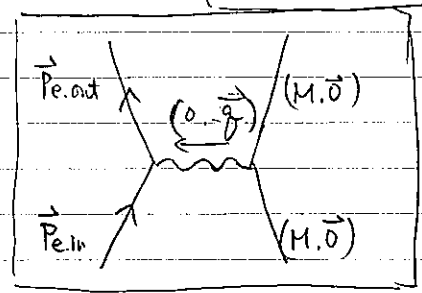
Then $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} [\bar{u}_r(\vec{p}_{\mu, out}) \gamma^\mu u_r(\vec{p}_{\mu, in})] \text{ target } \mu^- \\ [\bar{v}_r(\vec{p}_{\mu, in}) \gamma^\mu v_r(\vec{p}_{\mu, out})] \text{ target } \mu^+ \end{array} \right\}$ is approximated by $2M_\mu \times (1, 0, 0, 0)$,

and the photon propagator in the Feynman gauge

$$\frac{-i\eta_{\mu\nu}}{t} = \frac{-i\eta_{\mu\nu}}{-|\vec{q}|^2}$$

coupled with the current $\propto Q_\mu e \cdot (1, \vec{0})^\nu$ gives rise to the Fourier transform of the Coulomb potential (as we are familiar with in Quantum Mechanics).

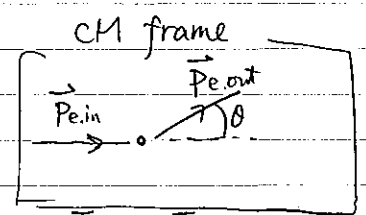
→ regardless of the spin of the target particle.



If we sum over the spin of the final state e^- , and average over the spin of the initial state e^- ,

then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{s,s'} |\mathcal{M}(e^- \mu^+ \rightarrow e^- \mu^+)|^2 &\approx \frac{(Q_\mu Q_e e^2)^2}{(4\pi)^2} \frac{(2M_\mu)^2}{2} \text{Tr}_{4 \times 4} [\gamma^0 (\not{p}_{e, in} + m_e) \gamma^0 (\not{p}_{e, out} + m)] \\ &\approx \frac{e^4}{|\vec{q}|^4} (2M_\mu)^2 2 \left[p_{e, in}^0 p_{e, out}^0 + \vec{p}_{e, in} \cdot \vec{p}_{e, out} + m_e^2 \right] \\ &= \frac{e^4 (2M_\mu)^2}{|\vec{p}_{e, in}|^4 (2 \sin^2(\theta/2))^4} \times \left[E_e^2 - |\vec{p}_e|^2 \sin^2(\theta/2) \right] \end{aligned}$$



CM frame
 $E_{e, in} \approx E_{e, out}$
 $|\vec{p}_{e, in}| \approx |\vec{p}_{e, out}|$
(recoil of the target negligible)

The final state phase space is

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{2M \cdot 2E_e (p_e/E_e \rightarrow 0)} \int \frac{d^3 \vec{p}_{e, out}}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{2E_e} \frac{1}{2M_\mu} (2\pi) \delta(E_{e, out} - E_{e, in}) \\ &\approx \frac{d^3 \Omega}{(4\pi)^2} \frac{1}{4M_\mu^2} \end{aligned}$$

So, $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha_e^2}{4|\vec{p}_e|^4 \sin^4(\theta/2)} \left[E_e^2 - p_e^2 \sin^2(\theta/2) \right] \rightarrow \frac{\alpha_e^2 m_e^2}{4|\vec{p}_e|^4 \sin^4(\theta/2)}$ (Rutherford scattering) e^- non-rela

What if use a polarized e^- -beam?

(The target μ^+ (or ion $^+$) is not necessarily polarized.)

The e^- -spin dependent term is found in

$$[\bar{u}_r \gamma^0 u_p] \approx 2m_e \left[\xi_r^\dagger \xi_{r'} (1 + \dots) + i \frac{(\vec{\sigma} \times \vec{p}_{av})}{2m_e^2} \xi_r^\dagger \left(\frac{\vec{\sigma}}{2} \right) \xi_{r'} + \dots \right]$$

matrix element of the spin operator

But this term alone leads only to spin-dependent complex phase; after taking $|M|^2$, it is gone.

This $\xi_r^\dagger \left(\frac{\vec{\sigma}}{2} \right) \xi_{r'}$ term : $\vec{L} \cdot \vec{S}$ coupling.

The leading order term :

$$\Delta(iM) = (2m_e)(2m_\mu)(ieQ_e)(-ieQ_\mu) \xi_r^\dagger \xi_{r'} \frac{-i}{|\vec{\beta}|^2}$$

factor out $(2m_e)(2m_\mu)$ to get the amplitude in the non-rela QM.

$$\Rightarrow \Delta(iM)_{\text{non-rela}} \left(\frac{\vec{\sigma}}{2} \right) = -i \frac{(-e^2 Q_e Q_\mu)}{|\vec{\beta}|^2} \Rightarrow -i \frac{e^2 Q_e (-Q_\mu)}{4\pi r} = -i V(r)$$

F.T. $\left(\frac{d^3 \vec{q}}{(2\pi)^3} e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{r}} \right)$ Coulomb potential

Now

$$\Delta(iM) = (2m_e)(2m_\mu)(ieQ_e)(-ieQ_\mu) \frac{-i}{|\vec{\beta}|^2} i \frac{(\vec{\sigma} \times \vec{p}_{av}) \cdot \langle \vec{S} \rangle}{2m_e^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta(iM)_{\text{non-rela}} \left(\frac{\vec{\sigma}}{2} \right) = -i \frac{(-e^2 Q_e Q_\mu)}{|\vec{\beta}|^2} \cdot \frac{i \vec{\sigma} \times \vec{p}_{av} \cdot \langle \vec{S} \rangle}{2m_e^2} \Rightarrow$$

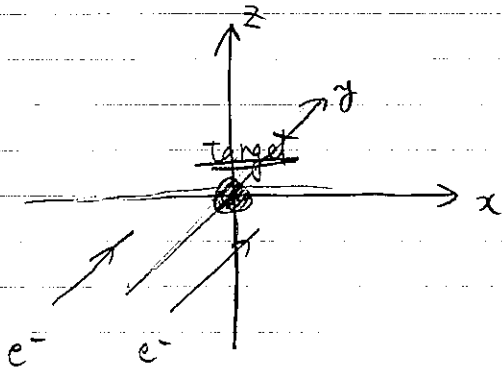
$$(\Delta V) = \frac{(\vec{\sigma} \times \vec{p}_{av}) \cdot \langle \vec{S} \rangle}{2m_e^2} \left(\frac{e^2 Q_e (-Q_\mu)}{4\pi r} \right)$$

$$= - \frac{\alpha Q_e (-Q_\mu)}{2m_e^2 r^3} (\vec{r} \times \vec{p}_{av}) \cdot \langle \vec{S} \rangle$$

$$\Rightarrow + \frac{\alpha Z}{2m_e^2 r^3} \vec{L} \cdot \langle \vec{S} \rangle$$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} Q_e = -1 \\ Q_\mu = \text{target charge} \Rightarrow Z \end{array} \right\}$

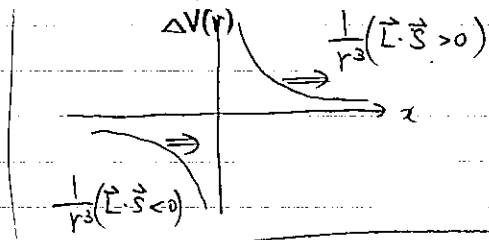
This $\vec{L} \cdot \vec{s}$ coupling gives rise to $\langle \vec{s} \rangle$ dependent potential.



e^- approaching the target in the $0 < x$ region
 $\Rightarrow \vec{L} = (\vec{r} \times \vec{p}_{av})$ points to the \hat{e}_z direction

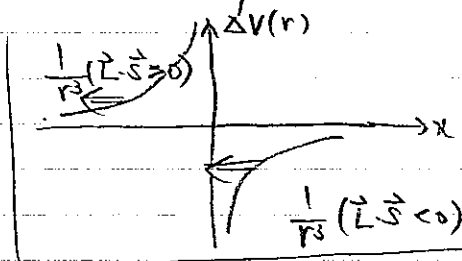
e^- approaching the target in the $x < 0$ region
 $\Rightarrow \vec{L} = (\vec{r} \times \vec{p}_{av})$ points to the $(-\hat{e}_z)$ direction.

If e^- has spin $\vec{s} \parallel \hat{e}_z$



the e^- receives a kick to the \hat{e}_z direction
 whether it is in the $0 < x$ region
 or in the $x < 0$ region.

If e^- has spin $\vec{s} \parallel -\hat{e}_z$



the e^- receives a kick to the $-\hat{e}_z$ direction
 regardless of $0 < x$ or $x < 0$.

The asymmetry in the scattering of a polarized e^- beam in the Mott scattering is generated at 1-loop order (and beyond).

The tree-level (Born approximation) is not enough.

Exploited in spin-resolved photoemission spectroscopy.

For more about this computation,

see.

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by J.W. Motz, H. Olsen and H.W. Koch

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