Discussion on e^+e^- data and MC generators for ${\sf a}_\mu^{\sf HLO}$

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Current situation Nov. 2023

From Alex Keshavarzi's presentation at Lattice 2023:





Situation March 2004...

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- **Tau data:** Derive cross sections from τ spectral functions using CVC theorem.
 - e.g. at LEP, CESR and KEKB colliders (ALEPH, L3, OPAL, CLEO, BELLE -experiments).









Precise measurements of hadronic cross sections to be used in the dispersion integral for $\mathbf{a}_{\mu}^{\text{HLO}}$ need reliable estimates of the radiative corrections involved:

- Corrections for initial state radiation effects (radiator function)
- Treatment of final state radiation
- Normalization with Bhabha or muon events
- Effects of Vacuum Polarization

Generators used in the analyses (Alex Keshavarzi's presentation at Lattice 2023):

MC generators for exclusive channels (exact	
NLO + Higher Order terms in some approx)	

MCGPJ (VEPP-2M, VEPP- 2000)	e⁺e⁻ → e⁺e⁻,μ⁺μ⁻, π⁺π⁻,	0.2%	photon jets along all particles (collinear Structure function) with exact NLO matrix elements
BabaYaga@NLO (KLOE, BaBar, BESIII)	e⁺e⁻ → e⁺e⁻,μ⁺μ⁻, γγ	0.1%	QED Parton Shower approach with exact NLO matrix elements

MC generators for ISR (from approximate to exact NLO)

EVA (KLOE)	e*e [.] →π ⁺ π ⁻ γ	O(%)	Tagged photon ISR at LO + Structure Function FSR: point-like pions
AFKQED (BaBar)	e⁺e →π⁺π¬γ, 	depends on the event selection (can be as good as Phokhara)	ISR at LO +Structure Function
PHOKHARA (KLOE, BaBar BESIII)	e⁺e [.] →π⁺π⁻γ, μ⁺μ⁻γ, 4πγ,	0.5%	ISR and FSR(sQED+Form Factor) at NLO

... and more!

Initial state radiation measurements are using the Radiative Return to energies below the collider energy \sqrt{s} .



Emission of hard γ in the bremsstrahlung process reduces available energy to produce hadronic system.



Relate measured differential cross section $d \sigma_{had+\gamma}/d M_{had}^2$ to hadronic cross section σ_{had} using radiator function $H(s, M_{had}^2)$:



Uses precise calculation of radiator function $H(s, M_{had}^2)$, e.g. from PHOKHARA Monte Carlo event generator.

- Assumes factorization of ISR part
- Final State Radiation (FSR) needs dedicated treatment



Presence of "Two-Virtual-Photon" (TVP) contribution spoils the ISR factorization - needs to be treated as a correction.



KLOE10 range extends down to 0.32 GeV...



KKMC-PHOKHARA comparison

Comparison of ISR effect in the process $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-\gamma$ with **PHOKHARA** and the **KKMC** generator (S. Jadach, arXiv:hep-ph/0506180):

- KKMC uses second order CEEX matrix element (complete NLL and NNLL contributions)
- also analytical formula is used ("KKsem")



A 0.25% difference was found in central region (larger deviation at high Q² due to missing soft photon resummation in **PHOKHARA**).

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BaBar studies: AFKqed vs. PHOKHARA

Study of BaBar collaboration on events with 2 hard photons claims discrepancies between data and PHOKHARA, while Afkqed shows better agreement (arXiv:2308.05233):



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Isospin symmetry breaking effects need to be taken into account

Conclusions

- The current situation is not optimal...
 - ...but it could be worse.
- We need Monte Carlo generators to evaluate and estimate radiative corrections
 - Normalization (Bhabha, muons,...)
 - ISR corrections (Radiator function)
 - Treatment of final state radiation
- Many generators available, nevertheless need to work on
 - implementation of higher order corrections
 - efficiency of calculation (CPU cost)
 - cross checks and comparisons between generators (and with data)
- Let's not fully forget data from τ -decays.

