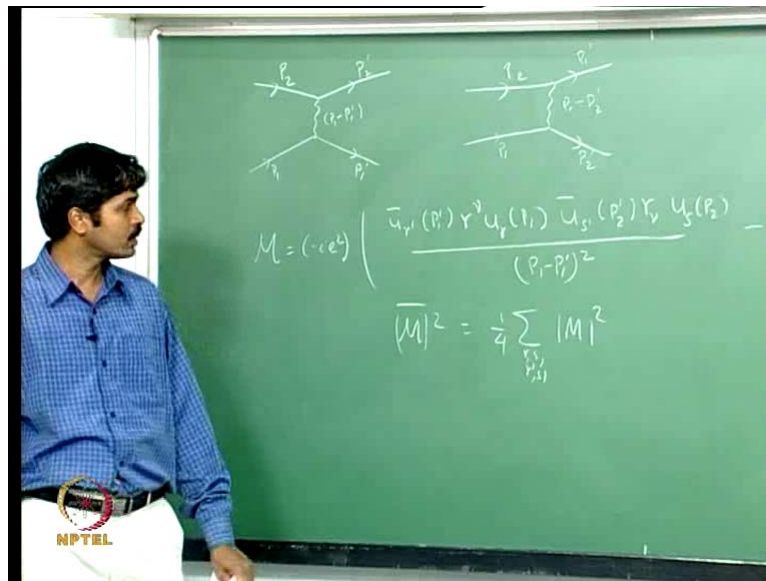


Quantum Field Theory
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Moeller Scattering II

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We are discussing the electron-electron scattering and their two diagrams which they contribute to the process. In the order, these two diagrams are given by the following: $p_2 \rightarrow p_2'$, $p_1 \rightarrow p_1'$ and there is a photon of momentum $p_1 - p_1'$. The first diagram is $p_2 \rightarrow p_1'$, $p_1 \rightarrow p_2'$ and the virtual photon carries a momentum $p_1 - p_2'$. We can easily write down the Feynman amplitude for the process and as we have seen in the last lecture, we defined amplitude is minus that is $\bar{u}(r') \gamma^\mu u(r) \bar{u}(s) \gamma^\nu u(s') / (p_1 - p_1')^2$. What comes in the differential scattering cross section is $\frac{1}{4} \sum_{r,s,r',s'} |M|^2$.

So, the mode m square contains 4 terms one of them is mode of square of this. The other one is mode square of this and there are cross terms. So, we have evaluated the mode square of this in the last lecture and we will now evaluate one of the cross terms. There are two terms obtained by exchanging P_1 P_1 prime with P_2 prime.

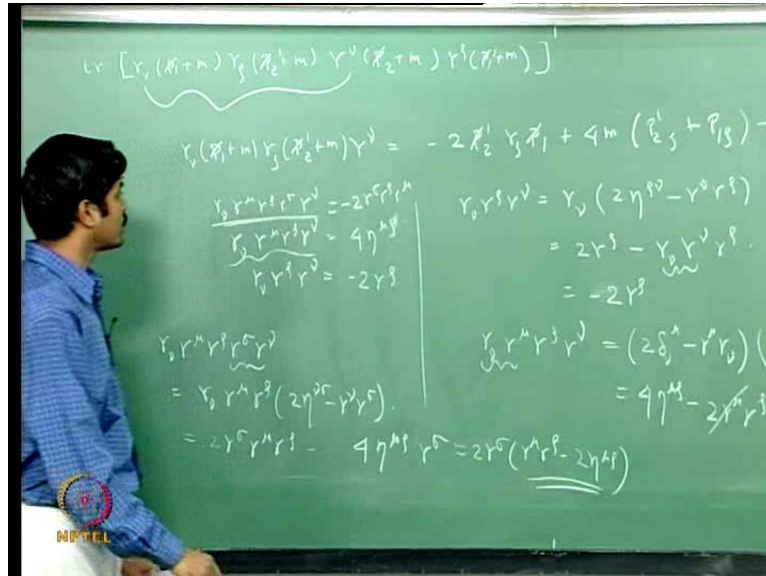
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So, the cross term 1 of the cross term here is just given by the following quantity which is a cross term is just a minus one- forth and then 1 over $P_1 - P_1$ prime whole square 1 minus P_2 prime whole square then conjugate of this quantity u bar r prime P_1 prime γ mu u r P_1 u bar s prime P_2 prime γ mu u s P_2 conjugate of this times the same this quantity which is u bar s prime P_2 γ rho u r P_1 u bar r prime P_1 prime γ rho u bar s P_2 , where r s r prime s prime are summed over all possible values. So, again you can write this quantum in terms of the components and then you use the identical u bar u or u bar is this P slash m over $2m$ repeatedly. Then, it is a straight forward to see that here we will reduce to a trace and this will be given by trace of γ mu P_1 slash plus m divided by $2m$ γ rho P_2 prime slash plus m divided by $2m$ γ mu P_2 slash plus m divided by $2m$ γ rho P_1 prime slash plus m divided by $2m$.

So, I leave it as a home work for you to evaluate. So, that this end is equal to trace of this line notice that this contains 1 2 3 4 there are 8 gamma matrices. So, you need to evaluate these tricks; however, there will be a considerable simplification, if you note

that this gamma nu here is contracted with this gamma nu. This index nu contracted with this index nu and this can make a lot of simplification.

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So, our goal is to evaluate this trace or what we need to do is we need to evaluate trace of gamma nu P 1 slash plus m gamma rho P 2 primes plus m gamma nu P 2 slash plus.

M gamma rho P 1 prime slash plus M1, this is what we need to evaluate and we will use various identities involving the gamma matrices to evaluate this trace. So, far this note that, first of all we can consider this, what I will do is that I will show gamma nu P 1 slash plus m gamma rho P 2 prime slash plus m gamma nu this quantity is equal to minus 2 P 2 prime slash gamma rho P 1 slash plus 4 m P 2 prime rho plus P 1 rho minus twice m square gamma rho. So, I will show this quantity is equal to this and then I will substitute here and then it will be quite simpler to evaluate this trace. So, let us first consider this and then prove this identity to prove this. We will note several identities.

This involves terms it is like gamma nu gamma mu gamma rho gamma sigma gamma nu. This also involves gamma nu gamma mu gamma rho gamma nu and also term like gamma nu gamma rho gamma mu. The co- efficient of M square is this and the term is this linear in M contains something like this where, the other remaining term contain some expression like this. So, all this things we can simplify directly. So, let us consider the last and first gamma nu gamma rho gamma nu is nothing, but gamma nu times. I will use the identity gamma rho gamma mu is twice eta rho nu minus gamma mu gamma rho.

Now, the first quantity is simply twice $\gamma \rho$ and minus $\gamma \nu \gamma \nu \gamma \rho$. What is $\gamma \nu \gamma \mu$?

So, this is $4 \cdot 2 \text{ minus } 4$ which is $\text{minus } 2 \gamma \rho$. So, this quantity here is nothing, but $\text{minus } 2 \gamma \rho$, now we consider this one. So, what is this is $\gamma \nu \gamma \mu \gamma \rho \gamma \nu$ now what I will do that I will click use the γ matrices here and as well as here. So, the first two γ matrices can be written is twice $\delta \nu \mu$ minus $\gamma \mu \gamma \nu$ and the second last two terms are twice $\eta \rho \nu$ minus $\gamma \nu \gamma \rho$. Now, I will expand this. The first term is simple $4 \text{ times } \delta \mu \nu \delta \rho \nu$. It arrow ν which is $\eta \mu \rho$ then this term here will give $\text{minus } 2 \gamma \mu \gamma \rho$ and is multiplied again. This gives me $\nu \mu \text{ minus twice prime minus } \gamma \mu \gamma \rho$. Finally the last term is $\gamma \mu \gamma \nu \gamma \mu \gamma \rho$ this is 4 . So, this will cancel with these two terms. So, what is left is $4 \eta \mu \rho$. So, this quantity here is nothing, but $4 \eta \mu \rho$ now we can easily evaluate the this the first term here. So, what is the first term you consider $\gamma \nu \gamma \mu \gamma \rho \gamma \sigma \gamma \nu$ now you fit the last two γ matrices that will give you $\gamma \nu \gamma \mu \gamma \rho \text{ times two twice } \eta \nu \sigma \text{ minus } \gamma \nu \gamma \sigma$ all right now what is the first term this $\eta \nu \sigma$ can be constructed with this give twice $\gamma \sigma \gamma \mu \gamma \rho$ the first term and the second term is $\text{minus } \gamma \nu \gamma \mu \gamma \rho \gamma \nu \gamma \sigma$ now what you can do you can use this identity here they will give me this quantity is simply $4 \text{ times } \eta \mu \rho$ this is $\mu \rho$ right here. So, $\text{minus } 4 \eta \mu \rho \gamma \sigma$. So, twice $\gamma \sigma$ if you take $\gamma \nu \gamma \sigma$ then what is left is $\gamma \mu \gamma \rho \text{ minus twice } \eta \mu \rho$ what is this quantity $\text{minus } \gamma \rho \gamma \mu$.

So, what you get here is $\text{minus } 2 \gamma \sigma \gamma \rho \gamma \mu$. So, this order here is click and you get a $\text{minus } 2$ factor. So, so we will use this identity repeatedly and when.

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & \gamma_\nu(\lambda_1+m) \gamma_\nu(\lambda_2+m) \gamma^\nu \\
 & \gamma_\nu \gamma_\nu \lambda_2^{\nu-1} \gamma^\nu + m \gamma_\nu (\gamma_\nu \lambda_2^{\nu-1} + \lambda_1^{\nu-1}) \gamma^\nu + m^2 \gamma_\nu \lambda_2^{\nu-2} \gamma^\nu \\
 & - 2 \lambda_2^{\nu-1} \gamma_\nu \lambda_1^{\nu-1} + 4m (P_{23}' + P_{13}) - 2m^2 \gamma^\nu \\
 & \gamma_\nu(\lambda_1+m) \gamma_\nu(\lambda_2+m) \gamma^\nu (\lambda_2+m) \gamma^\nu (\lambda_1+m) \\
 & - 2 \lambda_2^{\nu-1} \gamma_\nu \lambda_1^{\nu-1} + 4m (P_{23}' + P_{13}) - 2m^2 \gamma^\nu \left(\lambda_2^{\nu-2} \lambda_1^{\nu-1} + m (\lambda_2^{\nu-2} \lambda_1^{\nu-1} + \lambda_2^{\nu-1} \lambda_1^{\nu-2}) + m^2 \lambda_1^{\nu-2} \right) \\
 & - 2 \lambda_2^{\nu-1} \gamma_\nu \lambda_2^{\nu-2} \lambda_1^{\nu-1} - 2m^2 \lambda_2^{\nu-1} \gamma_\nu \lambda_1^{\nu-1} + 4m^2 (P_{23}' + P_{13}) (\lambda_2^{\nu-1} \lambda_1^{\nu-1} + \lambda_2^{\nu-2} \lambda_1^{\nu-2}) - 2m^2 \gamma_\nu \lambda_2^{\nu-2} \lambda_1^{\nu-1} - 8m^2 \gamma^\nu
 \end{aligned}$$

So, so let us consider the left hand side here gamma rho gamma nu P 1 slash plus m gamma nu slash half plus m gamma mu. I will expand this, so this will give me gamma nu P1 slash gamma rho P 2 prime slash gamma mu that is the first term the second term plus gamma plus m times gamma nu gamma rho P 2 prime plus slash plus P 1 slash gamma rho gamma mu and finally, plus m square gamma nu gamma rho gamma mu. So, we know this identity. So, first identity will make this very simple.

So, this will simply tell me that this is nothing, but minus 2 P 2 prime slash gamma rho P 1 slash and this term here will tell me that this is m times gamma 4 m P 2 rho prime plus P 1 nu and this 1 minus 2 m square gamma rho, this is obvious. Now, if I just expand the proof obvious once I used these three identities. So, now what I will do is that, I will insert this here and expand all this terms to evaluate this term. So, what we need to do is we need to look in to trace of gamma mu P 1 slash plus m gamma rho P 2 prime slash plus m gamma nu and then P 2 slash plus m gamma rho P 1 prime slash plus m.

What I will do is that for this, I will substitute this one and then here I will expand this and a term that will give me trace of minus 2 P 2 prime slash gamma rho P 1 slash plus 4 m P 2 rho prime plus P 1 rho minus twice m square gamma rho times P 2 slash gamma rho P 1 prime slash and m P 2 slash gamma rho plus gamma rho P 1 prime slash and then there is m square gamma rho, this is what I will get by straight forward multiplication. Now, what I will do is that I will multiply this term with this term and then I will keep in

mind that trace of odd number of gamma matrices vanishes. So, if I do that what I will get this one. So, I will do that and whenever we have odd number of gamma matrices we will new that out. So, so what I get here is trace of minus 2 p 2 prime slash gamma rho slash p 2 slash gamma rho p 1 prime slash then minus. So, this contains three gamma matrices, this contains two gamma matrices. So, this vanishes finally, minus 2 m square P 2 prime slash gamma rho P 1 slash gamma rho and then I will consider this prime multiply by this when I take this trace will be 0. There are three gamma matrices. There are no gamma matrices here, where this will survive. What I have is 4 m square P 2 P prime plus P 1 rho then P 2 slash gamma rho plus gamma rho P 1 prime slash, then this multiplied this will get me 0.

Now, this will survive. So, that you will give the minus twice m square gamma rho P 2 slash gamma rho P 1 prime slash this will give me 0 and finally this multiplied by this will give me minus twice m forth gamma rho gamma rho, but gamma rho gamma rho is 4. So, this will give me minus 8 m 4 times the identity matrix, this is what I got now. Again, I will repeatedly use these identities in the first one. So, the last two identities are useful now. Look at this term is gamma rho P 1 slash P 2 slash gamma rho, what will this be 4 P under P 2. So, 4 P under P 2 and here this one is minus 2 gamma rho.

So, this is minus 2 P 1 slash minus 2 P 1 slash and here of course, this you have to evaluate and here minus 2 P 2 slash. Right! So, now I will use when we substitute that I will take a simple form.

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$$\begin{aligned}
 & p_2(p_1' p_2') + 16m^2(p_1 p_2) + 16m^2(p_1 + p_2) \cdot (p_1' + p_2') + 16m^2 p_1' \cdot p_2' \\
 & p_2^2 + 32m^2(p_1 p_2) + 16m^2(p_1 \cdot p_1' + p_1 \cdot p_2' + p_2 \cdot p_1' + p_2 \cdot p_2') - 3 \\
 & = -32(p_1 p_2)^2 + 16m^2(p_1 \cdot (p_1' + p_2') + p_2 \cdot (p_1 + p_2) + 2p_1 p_2) \\
 & \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} p_1 \cdot (p_1 + p_2) + p_2 \cdot (p_1' + p_2') + 2p_1 p_2 \\ m^2 + p_1 p_2 + p_1 p_2 + m^2 + 2p_1 p_2 \\ = 2m^2 + 4p_1 p_2 \end{array} \right) \\
 & 32(p_1 p_2)^2 + 64 p_1 p_2
 \end{aligned}$$

So, what I get is trace of $-\frac{8}{P_1} \frac{P_2}{P_2'} + 4m^2 \frac{P_2}{P_1} + 4m^2 \frac{P_2}{P_1} \rho + \frac{P_1}{\gamma \rho} + \frac{P_1}{\gamma \rho} + 4m^2 \frac{P_1}{P_1} - 8m^4$ times the identity. This is the trace that we need to evaluate.

But, now it is very easy to evaluate the trace first term. What is trace of this? So, this is $4 \frac{P_1}{P_2}$. So, this is $-\frac{32}{P_1} \frac{P_2}{P_2'}$. This $16m^2 \frac{P_1}{P_2}$ and here you can see that this will give me 4. So, this is $16m^2 \frac{P_1}{P_2} + \frac{P_2}{P_1}$ and here this is $16m^2 \frac{P_1}{P_2} - \frac{32}{m}$ forth is right. So, now what we will use the annihilation momentum of conservation relation repeatedly that is $P_1 + P_2 = P_1' + P_2'$ that will tell me that $\frac{P_1}{P_2} = \frac{P_1'}{P_2'}$. So, this is $-\frac{32}{P_1} \frac{P_2}{P_2'}$ whole square and here I will leave it as it is. I can write this and this because $P_1 \cdot P_2 = P_1' \cdot P_2'$.

So, this is $32m^2 \frac{P_1}{P_2}$ and then $16m^2$. I can write it as $\frac{P_1}{P_2} + \frac{P_1}{P_2} + \frac{P_2}{P_1} + \frac{P_2}{P_1} + \frac{P_2}{P_2} - 32m$ forth. Now, look at this you can consider one of the terms here and then you can combine it with $\frac{P_1}{P_2}$. There is $P_1 \cdot P_1'$. So, that this will give me half of this with this term will give me $16m^2 \frac{P_1}{P_1} + \frac{P_2}{P_1}$ and then again the remaining term here $\frac{P_1}{P_2}$. I will combine it with this one last term.

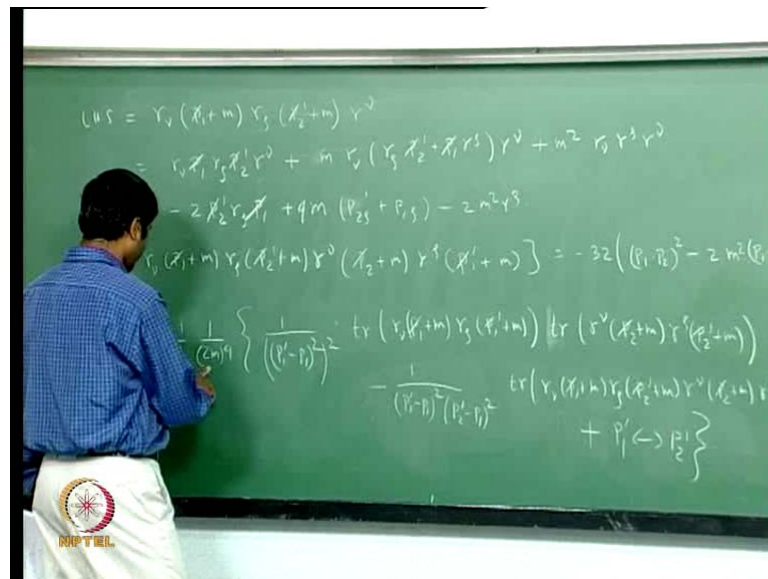
Then, what I will get is $\frac{P_2}{P_1} + \frac{P_2}{P_1}$, now we can see why I wanted to combine a trace function because with us here I can use the annihilation momentum of conservation relation and then I can write it as $P_1 + P_2$, similarly here I can write as $P_1' + P_2'$. So, this will take care of the spectrum of this term and these two terms. What is left to this two here. So, they are equal. So, this is twice P_1 and P_2 that is what I get when I get this term. So, this is equal to $-\frac{32}{P_1} \frac{P_2}{P_2'}$ plus this $-\frac{32}{m^4}$, that is what I get now. As I said I will use the annihilation momentum of conservation term here is $P_1 + P_2 = P_1' + P_2'$ and here this term is $\frac{P_2}{P_1} + \frac{P_2}{P_1}$ and here two $\frac{P_1}{P_2}$.

Now, what is this is P_1^2 which is $m^2 + \frac{P_1}{P_2}$, here I will get $\frac{P_2}{P_1} + \frac{P_2}{P_1}$ which is again $\frac{P_1}{P_2} + \frac{P_2}{P_1}$ square which is $m^2 +$

2 P 1 0 P 2. So, this simply twice m square plus 4 P 1 0 P 2, now twice m square multiply with by 16 m square. So, that is that will give me plus 32 m forth that will cancel with minus 32 m forth and so the end of the day what I get is minus 32 P 1 0 P 2 square and then plus 16 in to 4 which is 64 P 1 0 P 2. There is nothing else left. So, this is what I get. So, what I did is I evaluated this place here and at the end of the day this is simply equal to minus 32 into P 1 0 P 2 square minus twice P 1 0 P 2, this is what I get for this tricks.

So, there is m square here 2 m square this is 64 P 1 0 P 2 m square. So, what we will do is that will substitute all these things in the expression for m square average remember

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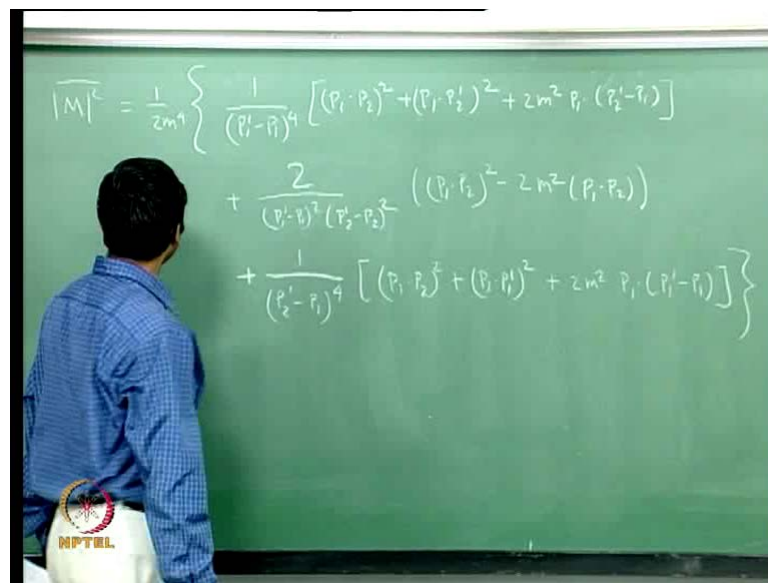
When we computed m square leverage there was a factor of 1 over 4 squares because this average over spins of incoming electron and then P slash plus 2 m over to m there are 4 things. So, that will give me 1 over m to the power forth and finally, we have this trace. So, one of the diagram at the photon propagator which is P 1 prime minus P 1 square in the Feynman amplitude.

We take mode m square, its square of this and I have the trace which is trace of gamma nu P 1 slash plus m gamma rho P 1 slash plus m times trace of gamma nu P slash plus m gamma rho P 2 prime slash plus m. This is the first term, the second term is evaluated today is minus 1 over P 1 prime minus P 1 square for the photon propagator from the first diagram P 2 prime minus P 1 square for the photon propagator in the second

diagram. Then this place here trace of gamma nu P 1 slash plus m gamma rho P 2 prime slash plus m gamma nu P 2 slash plus m gamma rho P 1 prime slash plus m this are the first two terms and then the remaining two terms are obtained from these two by exchanging P 1 primer with P 2 prime.

So, this is the expression for mode m square average. What I will do is that will substitute here for the value of this and this was evaluated in the last lecture and this we have seen is equal to minus 32 P 1 0 P 2 square minus P m square P 1 dot P 2. So, we will directly substitute this here, if we write this quantity here is nothing, but 32 times some factor. So, there is an overall factor of 32 here which will cancel 8 into 4 here. So, what will be left is 1 over 2 m forth. So, two to the power 3 and 4 that will cancel 32 and that will be two left m forth.

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So, that will give me mode m square bar is a 21 over twice m plus, then this one over P 1 prime minus P 1 whole forth times, if you substitute 1 over 32 times, then what we get is P 1 0 P 2 square plus P 1 0 P 2 prime square plus 2 m square P 1 0 P 2 prime minus 0 P 1 and this term here will give me plus as you can see there is a minus which will give me plus this 32. We have cancelled it here with a 4 into 2 to the power 3. So, this is plus this times this.

So, plus 1 over P 1 prime minus P 1 square P 2 prime minus P 2 square times P 1 0 P 2 whole square minus 2 m square P 1 0 P 2, these are the first two terms and then

remaining two terms will be obtained from these two by expanding P_1 prime and P_2 prime. So, from the first term I get 1 over P_2 prime minus P_1 to the power 4 times P_1 P_2 square plus P_1 0 P_1 prime square and plus 2 m square P_1 0 P_1 prime minus P_1 that is from here and you can see that this term is invariant under exchange of P_1 prime and P_2 prime. So, I will just get a factor of 2 .

So, you have got this now. We will use the fact that we are doing the calculations in the centre of mass frame. So, in the center of mass frame we will evaluate, what is the value of P_1 0 P_2 P_1 0 P_1 prime and so on and finally we will substitute those and at the end we will substitute this in the expression for the differential scattering cross section.

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$$\vec{P}_1 + \vec{P}_2 = 0 \Rightarrow P_1^0 = P_2^0 = E$$

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$$P_1^0 = \sqrt{m^2 + \vec{P}_1^2}$$

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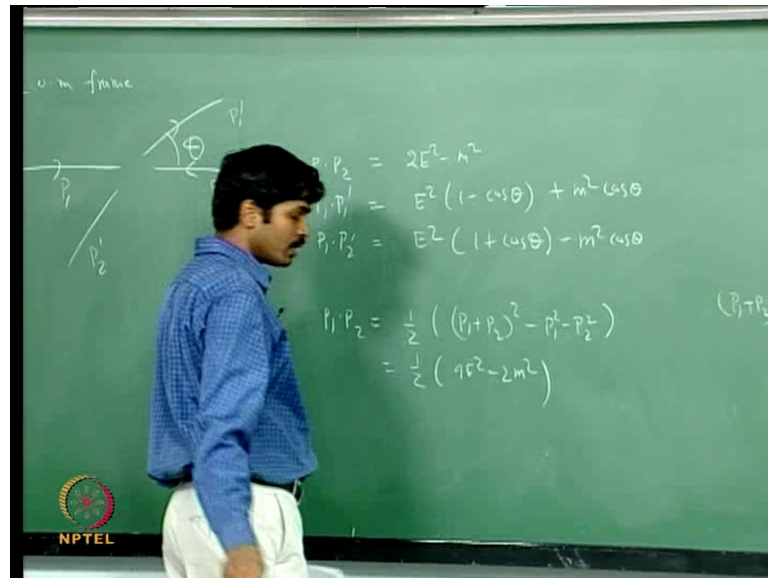
$$= P_2^0$$

So, let us go to the centre of mass frame you have the incoming electron with momentum P_1 and momentum P_2 and then scatter and then out going electron with momentum of P_1 prime P_2 prime. What are the energies of these electrons? Let us consider this P_1 plus P_2 in the centre of mass frame this equal to 0 , now if you consider P_1 0 which is a just a square root of m square minus P_1 square. Right now because of this mode P_1 is equal to mode P_2 .

So, which is m square minus P_2 square which gives you P_2 plus P_1 square? P_1 square m square equal to p . So, this is nothing but P_2 0 . So, this simply says that P_1 0 is equal to P_2 0 , which I will denote as e the total energy is conserved and you can use the same

argument which will say that $P_1 \cdot P_2$ is equal to $P_1' \cdot P_2'$ therefore, this is also equal to e . So, this is what the conclusion that we got now.

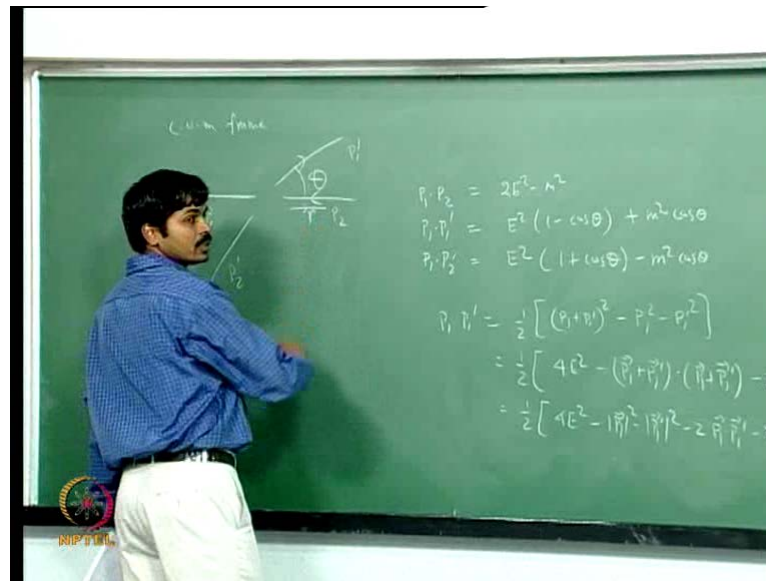
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So, we have what you need to do is we need to value $P_1 \cdot P_2$ $P_1 \cdot P_1'$ $P_1 \cdot P_2'$ prime. What I claim is that this is equal to twice E square minus m square this equal to E square. $1 - \cos \theta$ is the single plus m square $\cos \theta$, then this equal to E square $1 + \cos \theta$ minus m square $\cos \theta$. Lets first look at this relation here, $P_1 \cdot P_2$ is nothing, but $P_1^2 + P_2^2 - P_1'^2 - P_2'^2$, but $P_1^2 + P_2^2$ is $P_1^2 + P_2^2$ in the centre of mass frame and this is twice E .

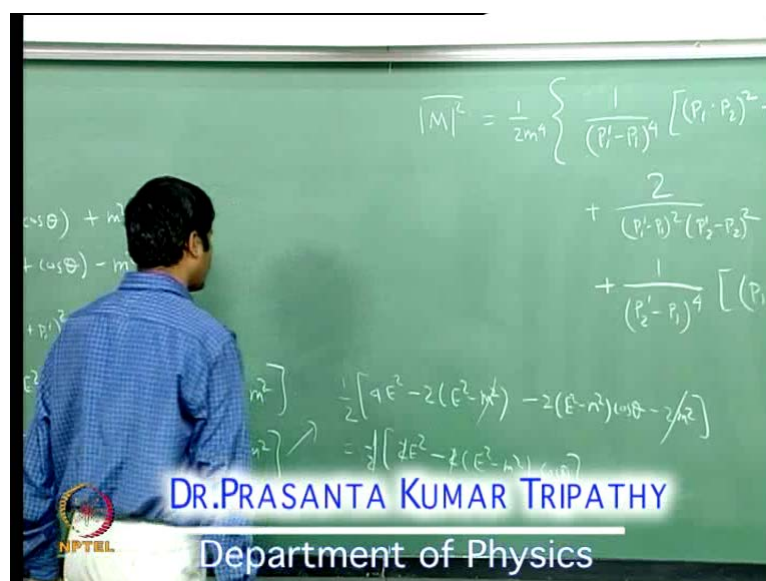
So, therefore, I got this to be half $4 E$ square minus $2 m$ square this is what is given here. Now, I will evaluate $P_1 \cdot P_1'$ and then you can evaluate $P_1 \cdot P_2'$ in a similar way.

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So, $P_1 \cdot P_1' = 2E^2 - m^2$ is again half P_1 plus P_1' square minus P_1 square minus P_1' square right half. So, the 0 component will give me $4E^2$ minus P_1^2 plus $P_1'^2$ prime 0 P_1 plus P_1' prime. This is a minus twice m^2 then what you get from here half $4E^2$ minus P_1^2 minus $P_1'^2$ prime square minus twice $P_1 \cdot P_1'$ prime minus twice m^2 . What is P_1^2 minus $P_1'^2$ prime square E^2 minus m^2 square and $P_1 \cdot P_1'$ prime square is also E^2 minus m^2 square? So, this will give me half $4E^2$ minus twice E^2 minus m^2 square and what is this $P_1 \cdot P_1'$ prime minus $\cos \theta$, this is the direction of P_1 , right is $\cos \theta$.

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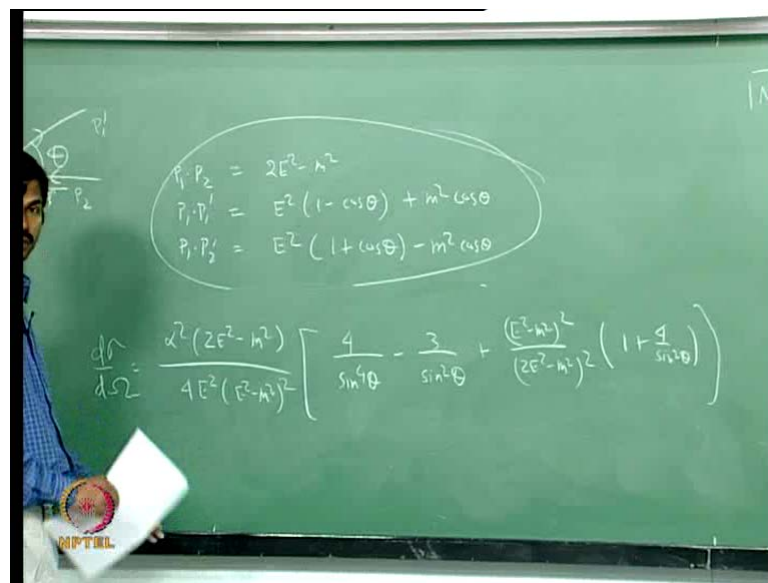


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So, twice e square minus m square \cos theta and then minus to m square all right. So, as you can see this m square here it will be cancel with this m square and what you have is half prime this will give me twice E square minus twice E square minus m square \cos theta this factor of two will cancel here.

So, what you are left is E square into minus \cos theta plus m square \cos theta. So, you can similarly evaluate $P_1 \cdot P_2$ prime and then you can show that this equal to this finally at the end you substitute all this results here because this involves all this E square which are m square and then $P_1 \cdot P_1$ prime or $P_1 \cdot P_2$ prime nothing else. So, you substitute this expression for $P_1 \cdot P_2$ prime in m square and then you simplify it very straight forward you will see that the differential scattering cross section at the end of the day.

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Will look like the sigma over $d\Omega$ is equal to alpha square times twice E square minus m square. Now, we can see the origin of all these terms $4 E$ square E square minus m square whole square times 4 over \sin \cos theta minus three over \sin square theta plus e square minus m square whole square m square whole square 1 plus 4 over \sin square theta. So, this is the expression for the differential scattering cross section for electron scattering.