

# Unification of Many-Body Perturbation Theory and Quantum Electrodynamics

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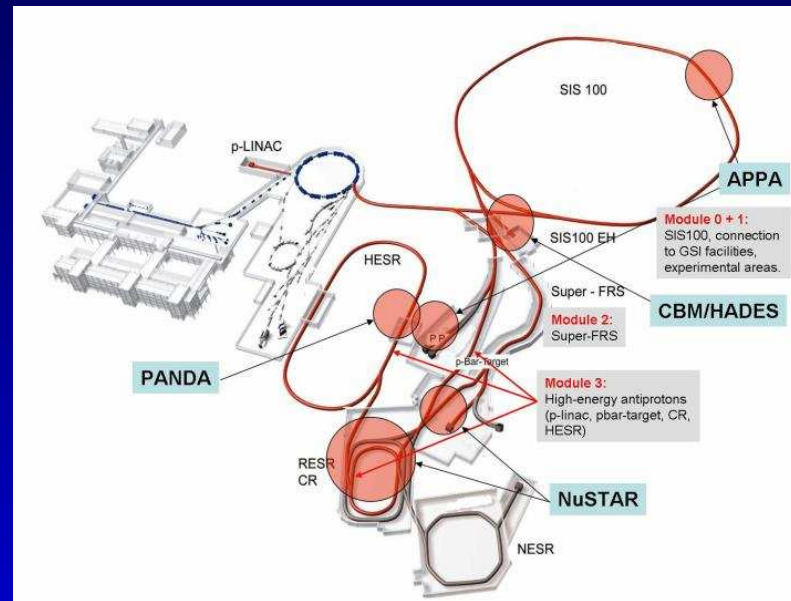
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## Facility for Antiproton and Ion Research

GSI, Germany



**HITRAP**

**Ion Trap Facility for precision measurements, g-factors**

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H-like ions less suitable for test of QED  
due to large nuclear effect

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## Lamb shift of hydrogenlike uranium (in eV)

Effect	Value
Nuclear size	198.82
First-order self energy	355,05
Vacuum polarization	-88.59
Second-order effects	-1.57
Nuclear recoil	0.46
Nuclear polarization	-0.20
<b>Total theory</b>	<b>463.95</b>
<b>Experimental</b>	<b>460.2 (4.6)</b>

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Effect	Blundell (1993)	Persson (1995)	Yerokhin (2002)
Relativistic MBPT	322.41	322.32	322.10
1. order self energy	-53.94	-54.32	
1. ord vacuum pol.	(12.56)	12.56	
1. ord SE + vac. pol.	-41.38	-41.76	-41.77
2. ord SE + vac. pol.		0.03	0.17
Nuclear recoil + pol.	(0.20)	(-0.11)	-0.14
<b>Total theory</b>	<b>280.83(10)</b>	<b>280.54(15)</b>	<b>280.48</b>
<b>Experimental</b>	<b>280.59(9)</b>		

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**Transition  $1s2s\ ^1S_0 - 1s2p\ ^3P_1$  (in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ )**

		Reference
<b>Expt'l</b>	<b>7230.585(6)</b>	<b>Myers et al. 2008</b>
RMBPT	7231	Plante et al. 1994
QED	7229	Artemyev et al. 2005

Plante: All-order rel. MBPT, first-order QED

Artemyev: Second-order QED, first-order correlation

**Insufficient**



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## $K\alpha$ lines in Copper (in eV)

	$K\alpha_1$	$K\alpha_2$	Reference
Expt'l	<b>8047.8237(26)</b>	<b>8027.8416(26)</b>	Deslattes et al
Theory	8047.86(4)	8027.92(4)	Chantler et al

From Chantler, Grant et al.

Multi-config. Dirac-Fock with 1. order QED

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## 3. Full QED

Only to second order, not sufficient when correlation important

### 3a. Unified MBPT-QED Approach

Starts from relativistic no-pair

QED effects to **low** order included in highly correlated MBPT wave function

## Standard non-rel. MBPT:

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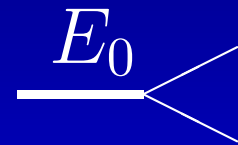
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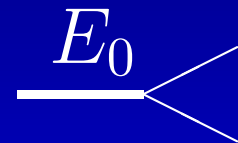
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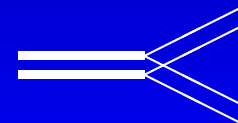
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Extended model space (Lindgren 1974)

$$[\Omega, H_0]P = Q(V\Omega - \Omega V_{\text{eff}})P$$



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$$H_B = -\frac{e^2}{8\pi} \sum_{i<j} \left[ \frac{\alpha_i \cdot \alpha_j}{r_{ij}} + \frac{(\alpha_i \cdot r_{ij})(\alpha_j \cdot r_{ij})}{r_{ij}^3} \right]$$

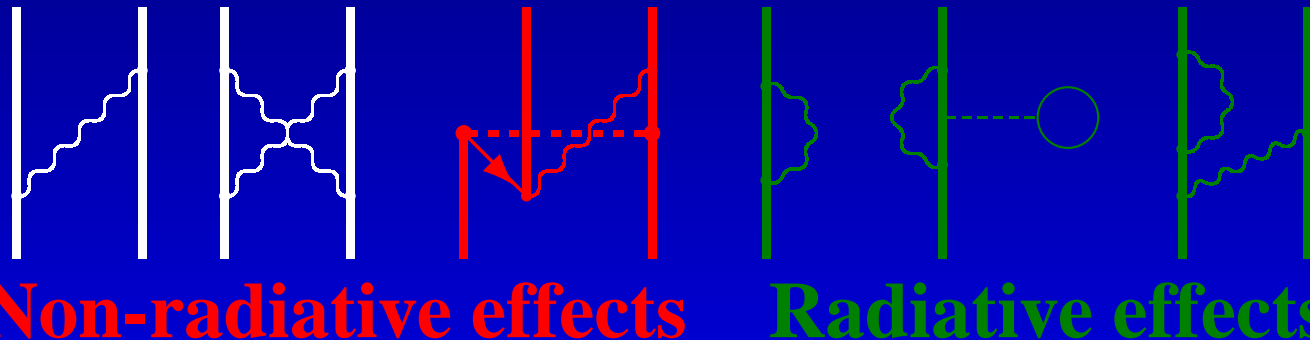
## No-Virtual-Pair Approximation (NVPA)

Accurate to order  $\alpha^2$

# Effects beyond NVPA

Order  $\alpha^3$  and higher

- **Retardation**
- **Virtual pairs**      **Non-radiative**
- **Radiative effects (Lamb shift etc.)**



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To go beyond first-order QED

QED has to be included in atomic wave function

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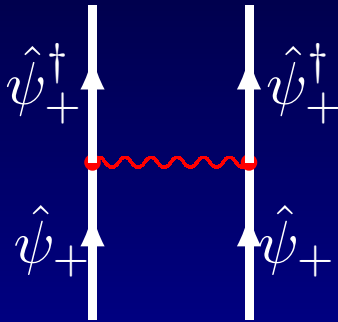
**Second question:**

Can the QED effects be evaluated using

Coulomb gauge? Never been done before

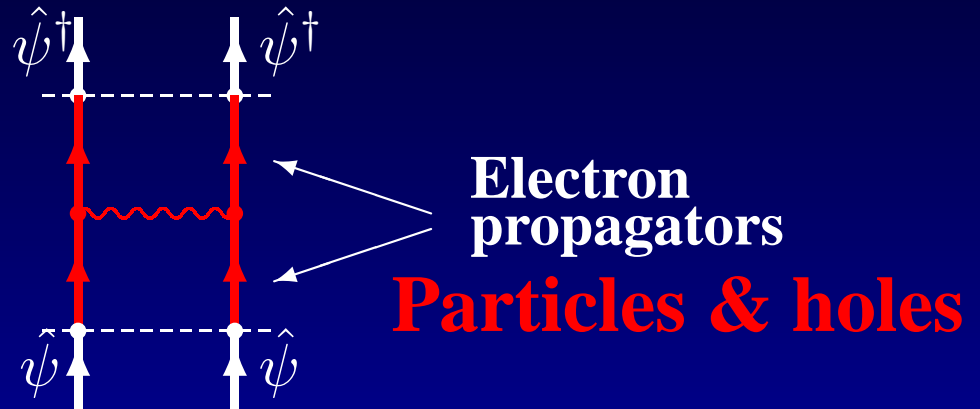
# Covariant Evolution Operator (CEO)

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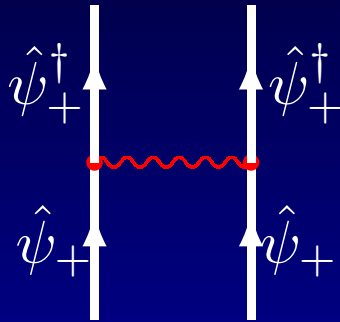
## Covariant



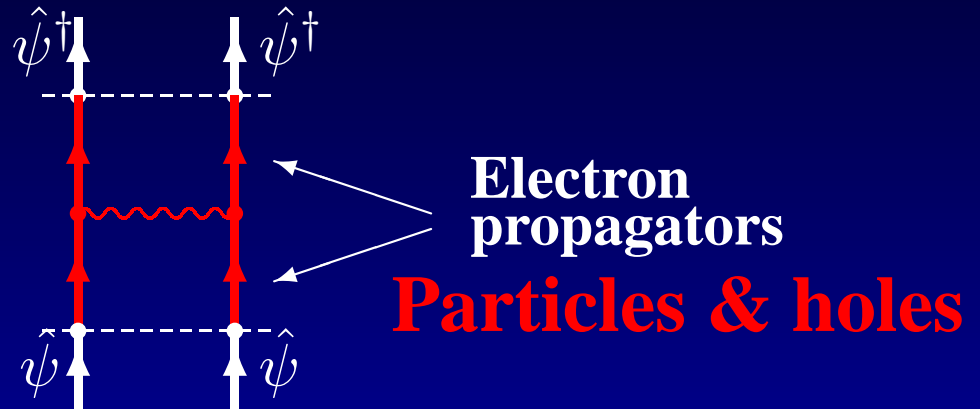
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**Covariant** evolution operator represents

time evolution of **relativistic** wave function

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Compare std MBPT:

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# Energy-independent perturbation

$$(E_0 - H_0)\Omega = Q(V\Omega - \Omega V_{\text{eff}})$$

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# General energy-dependent perturbation

$$\mathcal{G} = 1 + \Gamma_Q V\mathcal{G} + \left. \frac{\delta^* \mathcal{G}}{\delta \mathcal{E}} \mathcal{E} \right|_{\mathcal{E}=E_0} V_{\text{eff}}$$

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Green's operator time-dependent wave operat

Connection between field-theoretical CEO  
and standard MBPT

# Coulomb gauge

**In combining QED with MBPT**

**Coulomb gauge has to be used**

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## Perturbation in Coulomb gauge

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$$V_C = \frac{e^2}{4\pi r_{12}}$$

$$v_T(t) = - \int d^3x \hat{\psi}(x)^\dagger e c \alpha^\mu A_\mu(x) \hat{\psi}(x)$$

# Gell-Mann-Low theorem

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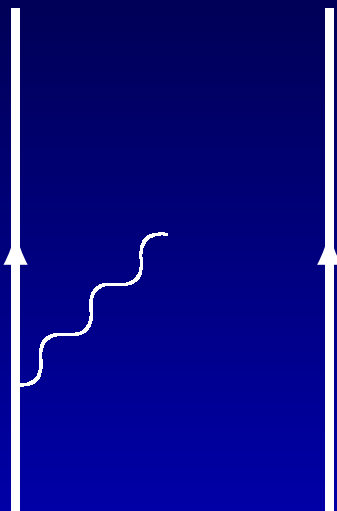
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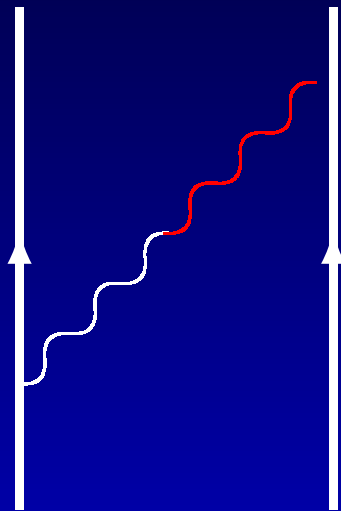
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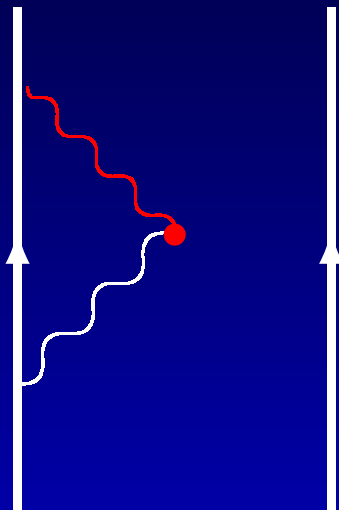
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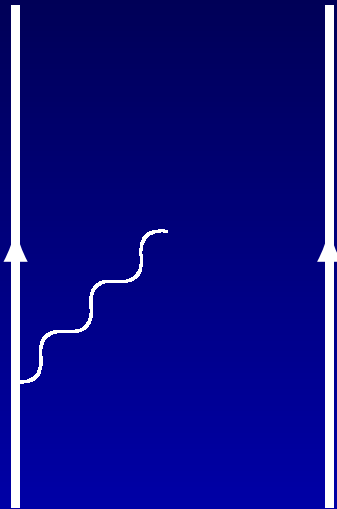
Field-theoretical relation

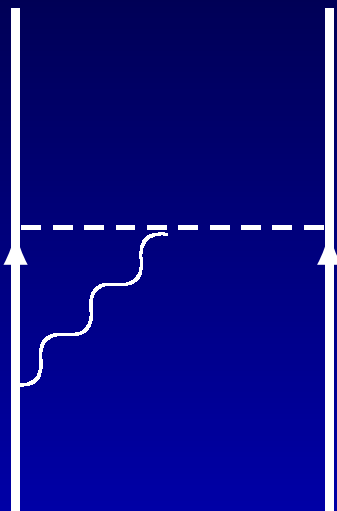
Photonic Fock space

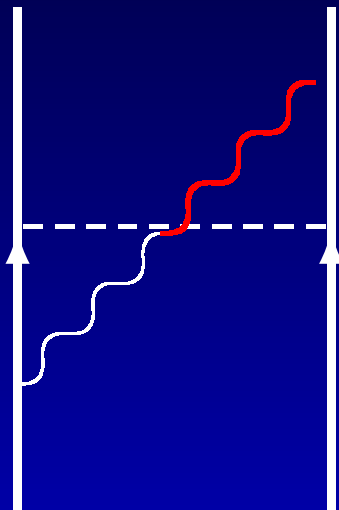


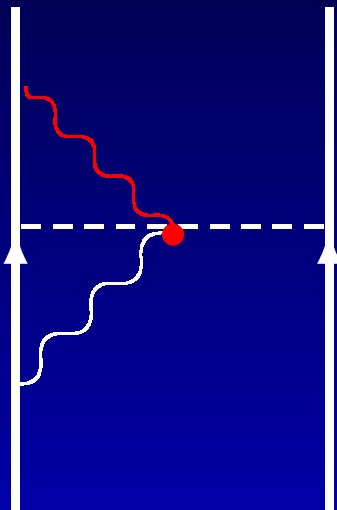






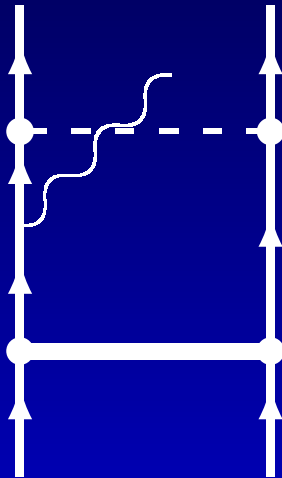




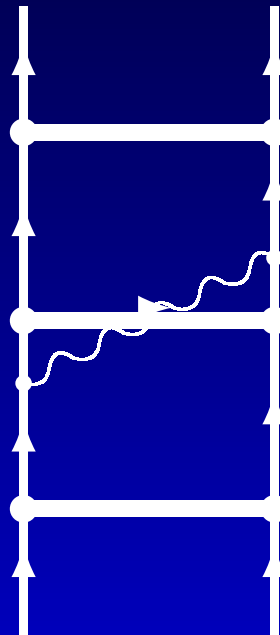
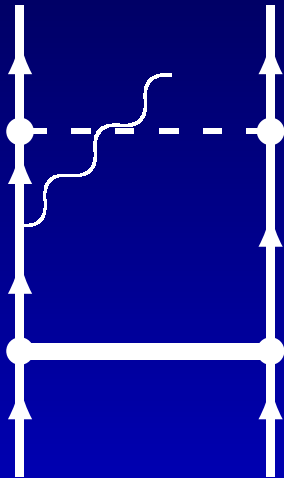




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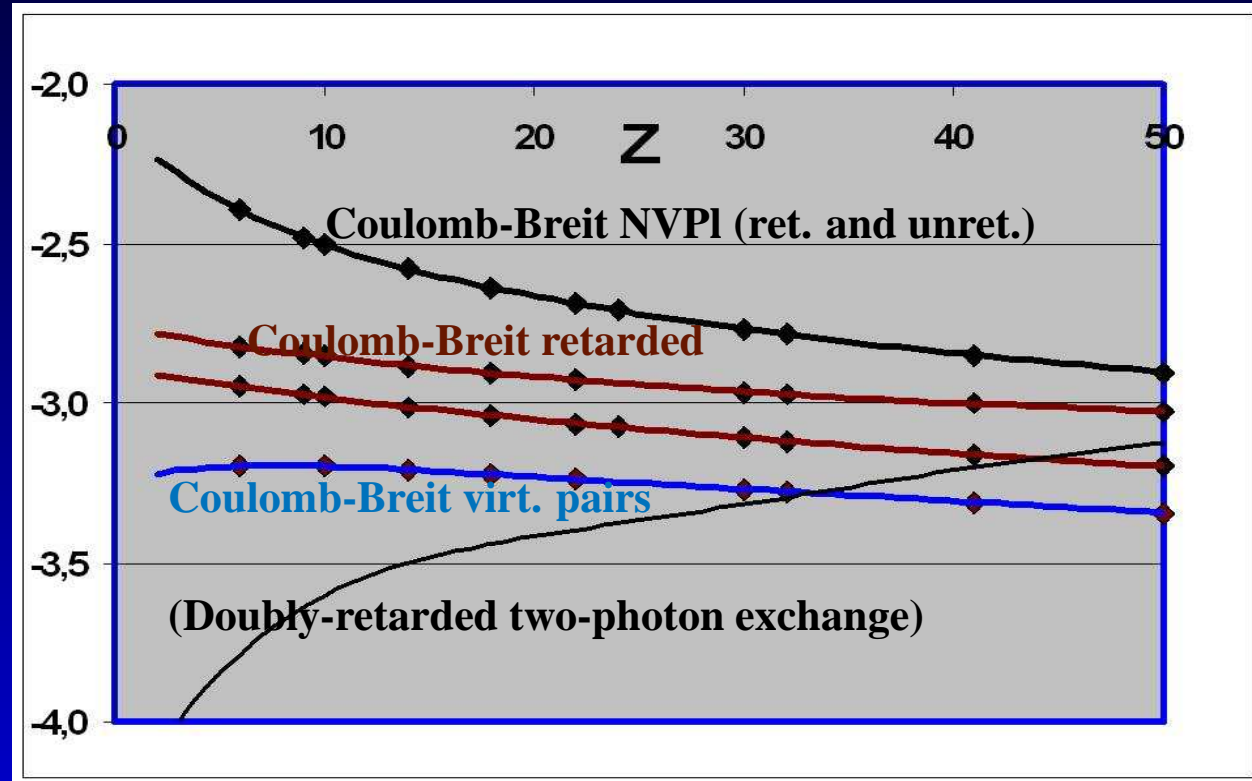


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# First-order non-rad. QED with correla

## Beyond two-photon exchange



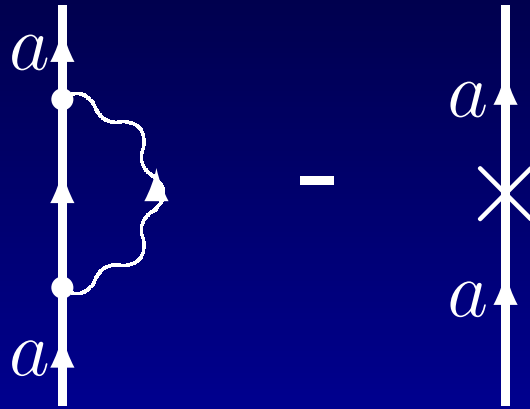
Daniel Hedendahl's PhD thesis 2010

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First-order non-radiative QED with  
correlation beyond second order  
more important than pure  
second-order QED for light and  
medium-heavy elements

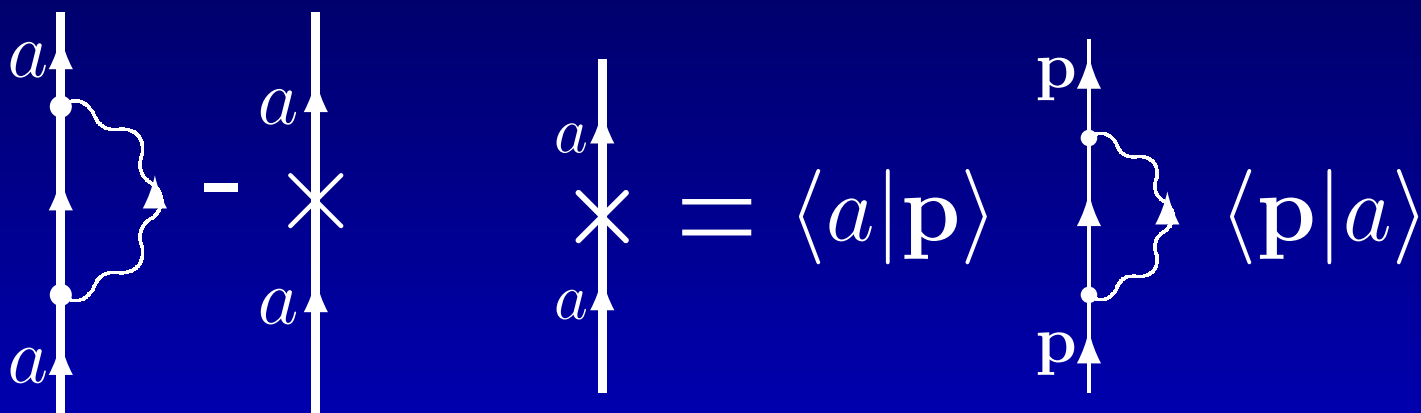
# Radiative QED

## Mass renormalization



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## Partial-wave regularization



Free-electron mass term equals self-energy on the mass shell

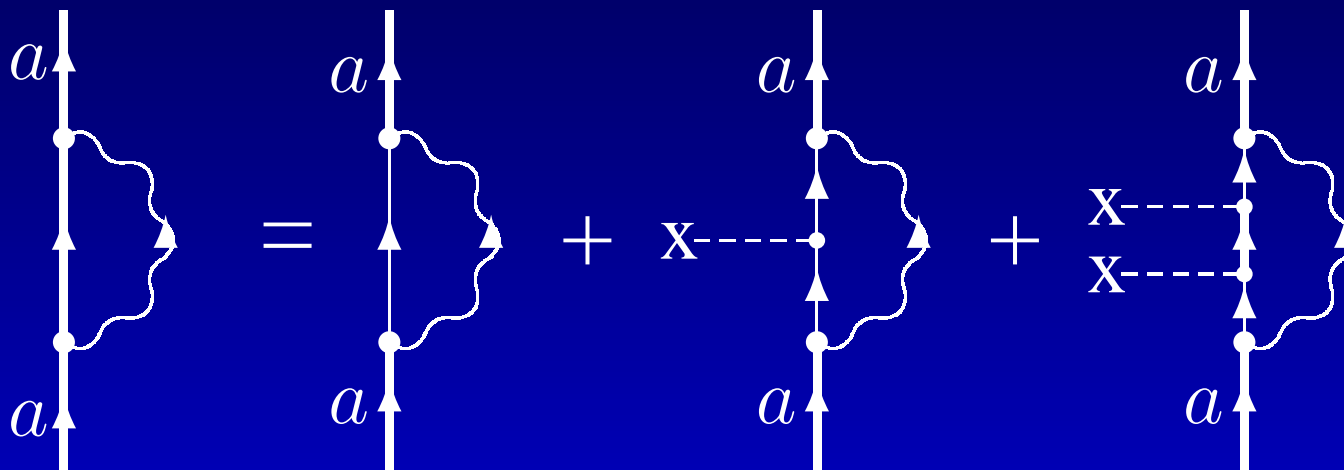
$$\delta m^{\text{free}} = \Sigma^{\text{free}}(p)_{p'=m}; \quad p_0 = \varepsilon_p$$

$$\delta m^{\text{bound}} = \langle a | p \rangle \langle p | \Sigma^{\text{free}}(p)_{p'=m} | p \rangle \langle p | a \rangle$$

Does not work in Coulomb gauge

# Radiative QED

## Dimensional regularization



Zero- and one-potential terms evaluated by means of Adkins formulas

modified by Johan Holmberg in his Master Thesis

Many-potential term by evaluating the other terms with partial-wave expansion

# Radiative QED

## Self-energy of hydrogen like ions

<b>Z</b>	<b>Coulomb gauge</b>	<b>Feynman gauge</b>
18	1.216901(3)	1.21690(1)
54	50.99727(2)	50.99731(8)
66	102.47119(3)	102.4713(1)
92	355.0430(1)	355.0432(2)

**First numerical application in Coulomb gauge**

**D. Hedendahl and J. Holmberg, Phys. Rev. A (accepted)**



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