Physics 457 Problem Set 4

Due in Class, February 9, 2005

Recall

$$f(\vec{q}) = -\frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \int V(\vec{r}) e^{i(\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r})/\hbar} d^3r \quad \vec{q} = \vec{p} - \vec{p}'$$

$$\sigma(\theta) = \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = |f(q)|^2 = |F(q^2)|\sigma_{R, M, \dots}$$
where $F(q^2) = \int \rho(r) e^{i(\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r})/\hbar} d^3r$

$$\sigma_R = \frac{(ZZ_1\hbar c\alpha_e)^2}{4E_0^2 \sin^4(\theta/2)} \quad \sigma_M = 4\frac{(Z\hbar c\alpha_e)^2 E_0^2}{(pc)^4} (1 - \beta^2 \sin^2\frac{\theta}{2}) \approx \frac{(Z\hbar c\alpha_e)^2}{4E_0^2 \sin^4(\theta/2)} (\cos^2\frac{\theta}{2})$$

$$\sigma_{ep}^{elas} = \sigma_M [\frac{G_E^2 + \tau G_M^2}{1 + \tau} + 2\tau G_M^2 \tan^2\frac{\theta}{2}] \quad \tau = \frac{|q^2|c^2}{4m_p^2 c^4}$$

1. (Continued from P.S. 3) Numerically evaluate the elastic cross section for scattering of 800 MeV electrons from protons at 30° .

Find the proton form factor assuming the dipole form

$$G_E^p(q^2) = \frac{1}{(1 + (q^2/q_0^2))^2}$$
 and $G_M^p(q^2) = \frac{\mu_p}{\mu_N} G_E(q^2)$
 $q_0^2 = 0.71 (\text{GeV/c})^2 q$ and q_0 are a 4 – vectors

2. For deep inelastic scattering, show that with $|\vec{p}_q|c \approx E_q = x|\vec{p}_p|$ and $\vec{p}_q' = \vec{q}$

$$x = \frac{Q^2}{2m_p\nu}$$

3. For a Deep Inelastic Scattering experiment, the incident electron energy is $E_e = 20$ GeV and electrons are observed to scatter at 5°.

a.) Find Q^2 vs E'_e . Indicate E' for x = 1, x - 0.5, x = 0.2, and x = 0.1. Elastic scattering, of course, corresponds to x = 1. b.) Assume that the scattering process is dominated by scattering from a single quark and that there are equal numbers of up quarks and down quarks. Estimate the cross section $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}$ assuming the form factor is independent of q^2 .

4. Show by explicit calculation in spherical coordinates that the parity operator $P \ (\vec{r} \rightarrow -\vec{r})$ has the effect $\theta \rightarrow \pi - \theta$ and $\phi \rightarrow \pi + \phi$. Also show $P^2 = 1$

5. Recall that the spatial part of the wave function of a system that conserves orbital angular momentum (*i.e.* [H, L] = 0) can be separated into a radial part an angular part $Y_{l,m}(\theta, \phi)$. Show that $P Y_{l,m} = (-1)^l Y_{l,m}(\theta, \phi)$ for l = 0, 1, and 2. (You may also show that this is true in general, *i.e.* for all l.)