

# DECAY RATES & CROSS SECTIONS

EXPERIMENTS MEASURE :

- RATE AT WHICH PARTICLES DECAY  $\Gamma$
  - PROBABILITY OF SCATTERING  $\sigma$
- IN NON-RELATIVISTIC PROBLEMS

$$\Gamma_{fi}^0 = 2\pi |T_{fi}| \rho(E)$$

THEORY

$$T_{fi} = \langle f | H' | i \rangle$$

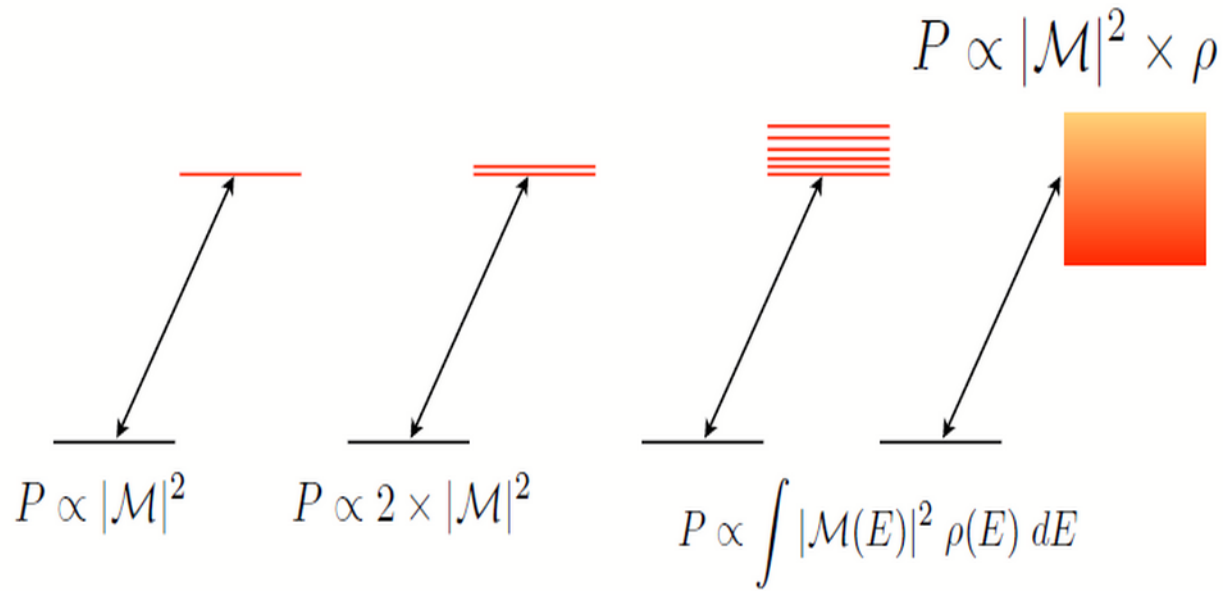
$$+ \sum \frac{\langle f | H' | k \rangle \langle k | H' | i \rangle}{E_i - E_f}$$

$H' \rightarrow$  THEORY

DENSITY OF FINAL STATES



JUST COMES FROM KINEMATICS



PROBABILITY OF TRANSITION  $\propto$  DENSITY OF FINAL STATES

$\rho(E_f) = \left| \frac{dn}{dE} \right|_{E_f}$  CAN WRITE THIS AS A  $\int$  OVER ALL FINAL STATES USING  $\delta$ -FN TO FORCE ENERGY CONSERVATION

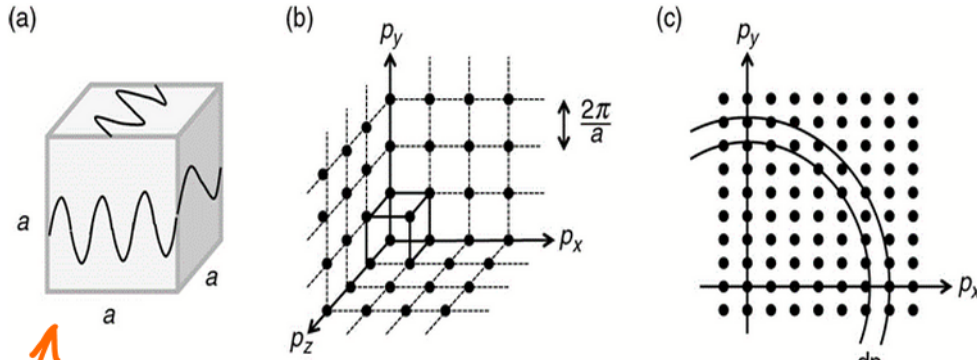
$$\left| \frac{dn}{dE} \right|_{E_f} = \int \frac{dn}{dE} \delta(E_f - E) dE = \int \delta(E_f - E) dn$$

so

$$\Gamma_{fi} = 2\pi \int |\mathcal{T}_{fi}|^2 \delta(E_i - E) dn$$

# PHASE SPACE & WAVE FUNCTION NORMALIZATION

NEED TO FIND RELATIVISTIC FORMULATION OF PHASE SPACE



$$\psi(\vec{x}, t) = A e^{i(\vec{p} \cdot \vec{x} - Et)}$$

NORMALIZATION  
ON PARTICLE PER CUBE "a"

$$\int_0^a \int_0^a \int_0^a \psi^* \psi d^3\vec{x} = 1$$

$$A^2 = \frac{1}{a^3} = \frac{1}{V}$$

VOLUME OF  
CUBE

NON RELATIVISTICALLY

$$T_{fi} = \langle \psi_1, \psi_2 | \hat{H}' | \psi_a \rangle$$

$$= \int \psi_1^* \psi_2^* \hat{H}' \psi_a d^3\vec{x}$$

→ PERIODIC BOUNDARY COND

$$\psi(x+a, y, z) = \psi(x, y, z) \dots$$

$$e^{ip_x x} = e^{ip_x (x+a)}$$

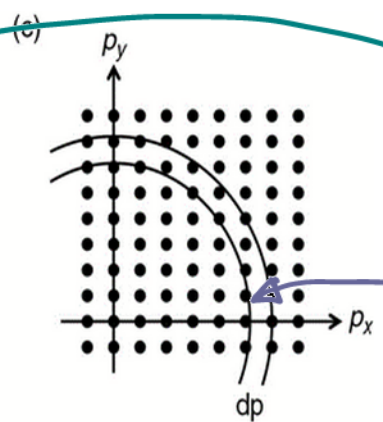
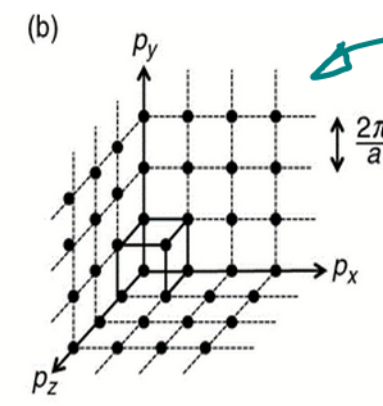
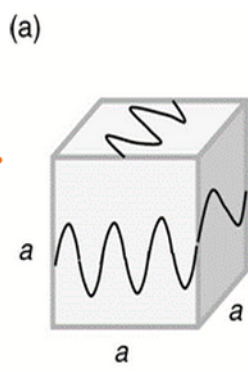
$$(p_x, p_y, p_z) = (m_x, m_y, m_z) \frac{2\pi}{a}$$

RESTRICTS MOMENTUM

STATES TO DISCRETE

POINTS IN PHASE SPACE

PERIODIC  
BOUNDARY  
CONDITIONS



DISCRETE  
MOMENTUM STATES  
SPHERICAL SHELL  
 $p \rightarrow p + d$

HAD  $(p_x, p_y, p_z) = (m_x, m_y, m_z) \frac{2\pi}{a}$

VOLUME OF EACH MOMENTUM STATE  $d^3\vec{p} = dp_x dp_y dp_z = \frac{(2\pi)^3}{V}$

$dN = \frac{\text{VOLUME OF SHELL } p \rightarrow p + dp}{\text{VOLUME OF STATE}} = 4\pi p^2 dp \times \frac{V}{(2\pi)^3}$

$\frac{dN}{dp} = \frac{4\pi p^2}{(2\pi)^3} \cdot V \rightarrow \rho(E) = \frac{dN}{dE} = \frac{dN}{dp} \left| \frac{dp}{dE} \right|$

NUMBER OF ACCESSIBLE MOMENTUM STATES  
INCREASES WITH MOMENTUM OF FINAL STATE PARTICLES  
LIGHT FINAL STATE PARTICLES FAVORED OVER HEAVY

NORMALIZATION VOLUME SHOULD NOT EFFECT  $\Gamma$

$V$  (PHASE) SPACE  $\rightarrow$  CANCELLED BY  $V$  (NORMALIZATION)

CHOOSE TO NORMALIZE TO 1 PARTICLE  $\rightarrow V = 1$   
UNIT VOL

WHEN SET  $V=1$   $d^3\bar{p} = \frac{(2\pi)^3}{V} \rightarrow (2\pi)^3$

IF  $d^3\bar{p}_i$  IS SOME SMALL VOLUME IN  $\bar{p}$  SPACE

$$d\Omega = \frac{\text{SMALL VOLUME}}{\text{VOLUME OF STATE}} \rightarrow d\Omega_i = \frac{d^3\bar{p}_i}{(2\pi)^3}$$

FOR  $N$  FINAL STATE PARTICLES,  $(N-1)$  INDEP, FROM  $\bar{p}$ -CONSERVE

$N$  PARTICLE FINAL STATE

$$d\Omega = \prod_{i=1}^N d\Omega_i = \prod_{i=1}^{N-1} \frac{d^3\bar{p}_i}{(2\pi)^3} = \prod_{i=1}^{N-1} \frac{d^3\bar{p}_i}{(2\pi)^3} \delta^3 \left[ \bar{p}_a - \sum_{i=1}^N \bar{p}_i \right] d^3\bar{p}_N$$

IMPOSE MOMENTUM  
CONSERVATION

VOLUME  
ELEMENT  
FOR  $N$ TH

$$dn = \prod_{i=1}^{N-1} \frac{d^3 \vec{p}_i}{(2\pi)^3} \delta^3 \left( \vec{p}_a - \sum_{i=1}^N \vec{p}_i \right) d^3 \vec{p}_N$$

MOMENTUM CONSERVATION (points to  $\delta^3$ )  
 DECAYING PARTICLE (points to  $\vec{p}_a$ )  
 N<sup>TH</sup> PARTICLE (points to  $d^3 \vec{p}_N$ )  
 SUM OF FINAL STATE MOMENTA (points to  $\sum_{i=1}^N \vec{p}_i$ )

CLEARLY YOU CAN CHANGE TO PRODUCT OVER N

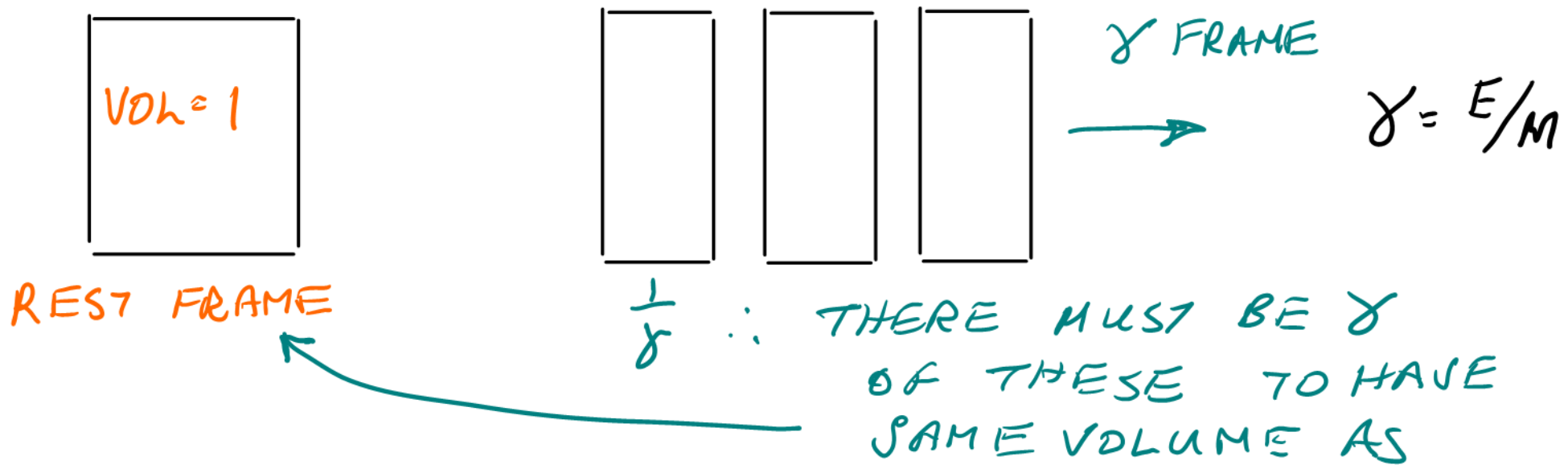
$$dn = (2\pi)^3 \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{d^3 \vec{p}_i}{(2\pi)^3} \delta^3 \left( \vec{p}_a - \sum_i \vec{p}_i \right) \quad (3.7)$$

GENERAL EXPRESSION FOR N-BODY PHASE SPACE  
IN NON-RELATIVISTIC DECAY.



# LORENTZ - INVARIANT PHASE SPACE

1 PARTICLE / UNIT VOLUME REFERS TO PARTICULAR FRAME  
NOT LORENTZ INVARIANT. OBSERVERS  
IN DIFFERENT INERTIAL FRAMES SEE VOLUME  
CONTRACTED BY  $1/\gamma$



LORENT INVARIANT CHOICE IS  $\propto E$  PARTICLE / UNIT VOLUME  
CONVENTIONALLY CHOOSE  $2E$  PARTICLES PER  
UNIT VOLUME

$2E$  PARTICLES PER UNIT VOLUME

FOR NON RELATIVISTIC  $\int_V \psi^* \psi d^3x = 1$

RELATIVISTIC  $\int_V \psi'^* \psi' d^3x = 2E \Rightarrow \psi' = (2E)^{1/2} \psi$

FOR A GENERAL  $N$ -PARTICLE PROCESS  $a+b \rightarrow 1+2+\dots$

LORENTZ INVARIANT ME  $M_{fi} = \langle \psi'_1 \psi'_2 \dots | \hat{H} | \psi'_a \psi'_b \dots \rangle$

IN  $T_{fi}$  WE USED 1-PARTICLE PER BOX

THESE  $\psi'$  HAVE RELATIVISTIC NORMALIZATIONS

$$M_{fi} = \langle \psi'_1 \psi'_2 \dots | \hat{H} | \psi'_a \psi'_b \dots \rangle = \underbrace{(2E_1 \cdot 2E_2 \dots 2E_a \cdot 2E_b)}^{1/2} T_{fi}$$

↳ LORENTZ INVARIANT  
MATRIX ELEMENT.

ALL INITIAL AND  
FINAL STATE PARTICLES



# LORENTZ-INVARIANT GOLDEN RULE

(3.7)

2 BODY DECAY  $\Gamma_{fi} = 2\pi \int |T_{fi}|^2 \delta(E_a - E_1 - E_2) d\Omega$   
 $a \rightarrow 1+2$

$$\Gamma_{fi} = (2\pi)^4 \int |T_{fi}|^2 \delta(E_a - E_1 - E_2) \delta^3(\vec{p}_a - \vec{p}_1 - \vec{p}_2) \frac{d^3\vec{p}_1}{(2\pi)^3} \cdot \frac{d^3\vec{p}_2}{(2\pi)^3}$$

RELATIVISTICALLY; (3.11)  $\downarrow$

$$\Gamma_{fi} = \frac{(2\pi)^4}{2E_a} \int |M_{fi}|^2 \delta(E_a - E_1 - E_2) \delta^3(\vec{p}_a - \vec{p}_1 - \vec{p}_2) \frac{d^3\vec{p}_1}{(2\pi)^3 2E_1} \cdot \frac{d^3\vec{p}_2}{(2\pi)^3 2E_2}$$

LORENTZ INVARIANT NORMALIZATION TRANSITION RATE

DO IT!

$$\int \frac{d^3\vec{p}}{(2\pi)^3} \rightarrow \int \frac{d^3\vec{p}}{(2\pi)^3 2E}$$

IN FRAME OBSERVED  
 $d\frac{1}{E_a} = \frac{1}{\gamma^2 m a \delta}$   
 TIME DILATION

SHOW  $\frac{d^3\vec{p}'}{E'} = \frac{d^3\vec{p}}{E} \leftarrow$  LORENTZ INVARIANT PHASE SPACE FACTOR

CAN EXTEND THIS 2-BODY DISCUSSION  $\rightarrow$  N BODIES

$$dLIPS = \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{d^3 \vec{p}_i}{(2\pi)^3 2E_i}$$

$$\int \dots dLIPS = \int \dots \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \delta^3(\vec{p}_i^2 - m_i^2) d^4 p_i$$

$d^3 \vec{p}_i dE_i$

4-VECTOR

GOING BACK TO 2-BODY CASE

$$\Gamma_{fi} = \frac{(2\pi)^4}{2E_a} \int (2\pi)^{-6} |\mathcal{M}_{fi}|^2 \delta^4(p_a - p_1 - p_2) \delta(p_1^2 - m_1^2) \delta(p_2^2 - m_2^2) \times d^4 p_1 d^4 p_2$$

4-VECTORS       $p_i + m_i$  SCALARS

$\delta^4 \rightarrow$  ENERGY MOMENTUM CONSERVATION

$\delta \rightarrow E^2 = p^2 + m^2$  FOR FINAL STATE PARTICLES

# GENERALITIES ON PARTICLE DECAYS

IN GENERAL, PARTICLES CAN HAVE SEVERAL DECAY MODES



TRANSITION RATE FOR EACH MODE  $\rightarrow$  CALC INDEPENDENTLY

$\rightarrow$  PARTIAL DECAY RATES ; TOTAL DECAY RATE =  $\sum$  PARTIAL DECAY RATES

HAVE  $N$  PARTICLES OF A PARTICULAR TYPE

NUMBER DECAYING IN  $\delta t$

$$\delta N = -N \Gamma_1 \delta t - N \Gamma_2 \delta t - \dots$$

$\uparrow$  PARTIAL RATE

$$\delta N = -N \sum_j \Gamma_j \delta t \quad \rightarrow \quad -N \Gamma \delta t$$

$$\Gamma = \sum_j \Gamma_j$$

$$\delta N = -N\Gamma\delta t \rightarrow \int_{N(0)}^{N(t)} \frac{dN}{N} = \int_0^t dt$$

$$\ln N(t) - \ln N(0) = -N\Gamma t \rightarrow \ln \left\{ \frac{N(t)}{N(0)} \right\} = -N\Gamma t$$

EXPONENTIATE

$$N(t) = N(0)e^{-\Gamma t} = N(0)e^{-t/\tau}$$

$\tau$  IS AVERAGE LIFETIME OF PARTICLE IN ITS REST FRAME

RELATIVE FREQUENCY OF PARTICULAR MODE

BRANCHING  
RATIO

$$BR_j = \frac{\Gamma_j}{\Gamma_{\text{TOT}}}$$

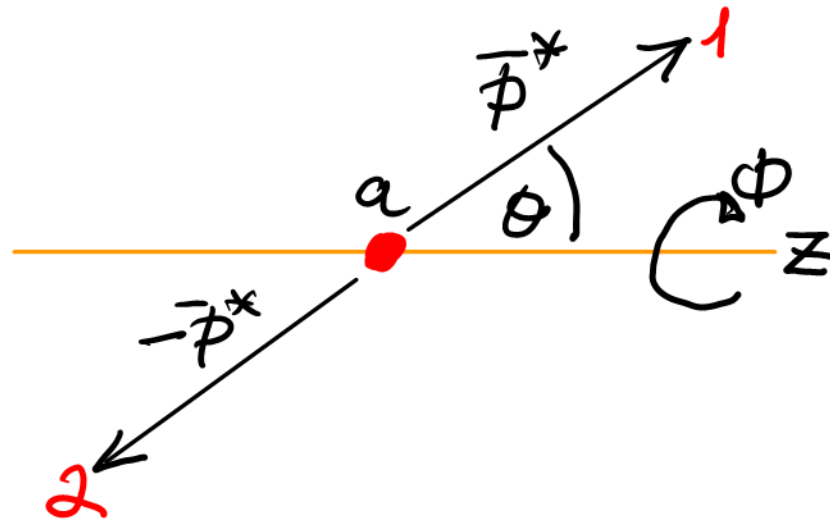
BY DEFINITION  $\sum_j BR_j = 1$

# KINEMATICS OF 2-BODY DECAYS

TRANSITION RATE = MATRIX ELEMENT  $\times$  PHASE SPACE

$\uparrow$   
 FORCE INVOLVED  
 EG. EM, WEAK  
 $e^- \rightarrow \gamma e^-$ ,  $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- \bar{\nu}_e \nu_\mu$

$\uparrow$   
 NUMBER OF  
 PARTICLES & MASSES



HAD:

$\downarrow$  (3-11)

$$\Gamma_{fi} = \frac{(2\pi)^4}{2E_a} \int |\mathcal{M}_{fi}|^2 \delta(E_a - E_1 - E_2) \delta^3(\vec{p}_a - \vec{p}_1 - \vec{p}_2) \frac{d^3\vec{p}_1}{(2\pi)^3 2E_1} \cdot \frac{d^3\vec{p}_2}{(2\pi)^3 2E_2}$$

THIS IS LORENTZ INVARIANT  
 CAN EVALUATE IN ANY FRAME

} CHOOSE  
 REST FRAME OF  $a$   
 $\equiv$  CMS

IN CMS  $E_a = m_a$ ,  $\vec{p}_a = 0$ ,  $\vec{p}_1 = -\vec{p}_2 = \vec{p}^*$

(3.11) BECOMES

$$\Gamma_{fi}^{\vec{p}} = \frac{1}{8\pi^2 m_a} \int |M_{fi}|^2 \delta(m_a - E_1 - E_2) \underbrace{\delta^3(\vec{p}_1 + \vec{p}_2)}_{\text{MAKES } \vec{p}_2 = -\vec{p}_1} \underbrace{\frac{d^3\vec{p}_1}{2E_1} \cdot \frac{d^3\vec{p}_2}{2E_2}}_{d^3\vec{p}_1}$$

$$\Gamma_{fi}^{\vec{p}} = \frac{1}{8\pi^2 m_a} \int |M_{fi}|^2 \frac{1}{4E_1 E_2} \delta(m_a - E_1 - E_2) d^3\vec{p}_1$$

$$d^3\vec{p}_1 = p_1^2 dp_1 \sin\theta d\theta d\phi = p_1^2 dp_1 d\Omega$$

$$\Gamma_{fi}^{\vec{p}} = \frac{1}{8\pi^2 m_a} \int |M_{fi}|^2 \delta\left(m_a - \sqrt{m_1^2 + p_1^2} - \sqrt{m_2^2 + p_2^2}\right) \frac{p_1^2}{4E_1 E_2} dp_1 d\Omega \rightarrow |\vec{p}_1|$$

INVOKING  $\delta$ -fn TO DO THIS  $\int$ , IT HAS FORM

$$\Gamma_{fi}^{\vec{p}} = \frac{1}{8\pi^2 m_a} \int |M_{fi}|^2 g(p_1) \delta(f(p_1)) dp_1 d\Omega$$



$$\Gamma_{fi}^2 = \frac{1}{8\pi^2 m_a} \int |M_{fi}|^2 \delta(m_a - \sqrt{m_1^2 + p_1^2} - \sqrt{m_2^2 + p_2^2}) \frac{p_1^2}{4E_1 E_2} dp_1 d\Omega_2$$

$$\Gamma_{fi}^2 = \frac{1}{8\pi^2 m_a} \int |M_{fi}|^2 g(p_1) \delta(f(p_1)) dp_1 d\Omega_2$$

$$g(p_1) = \frac{p_1^2}{4E_1 E_2} \quad f(p_1) = m_a - \sqrt{m_1^2 + p_1^2} - \sqrt{m_2^2 + p_2^2}$$

$\delta(f(p_1))$  IMPOSES ENERGY CONSERVATION

CAN ONLY BE DIFFERENT FROM ZERO WHEN  $p_1 = p^*$

$$\delta f_m \rightarrow \int |M_{fi}|^2 g(p_1) \delta(f(p_1)) dp_1 = \underbrace{|M_{fi}|^2 g(p^*) \left| \frac{df}{dp_1} \right|_{p^*}^{-1}}_{\delta\text{-fn.}}$$

$\delta$ -fn ASIDE - READ IF YOU WANT

GENERALLY  $\int f(p_i) dp_i = \int f(p_i) \frac{dp_i}{df} \cdot df$

SO  $\int \delta[f(p_i)] dp_i = \int \delta[f(p_i)] \frac{dp_i}{df} \cdot df$

BUT  $f=1$  AT  $p_i = p^*$  ZERO EVERYWHERE ELSE

$$\int \delta[f(p_i)] dp_i = 1 \times \left| \frac{dp_i}{df} \right|_{p^*}$$

SO  $\int |\mathcal{M}_{fi}|^2 g(p_i) \delta(f(p_i)) dp_i$

$$= |\mathcal{M}_{fi}|^2 g(p^*) \left| \frac{df}{dp_i} \right|^{-1}_{\text{AT } p_i = p^*}$$

$$f(p_1) = m_0 - \sqrt{m_1^2 + p_1^2} - \sqrt{m_2^2 + p_2^2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dp_1} \sqrt{m_1^2 + p_1^2} = \frac{d}{dp_1} (m_1^2 + p_1^2) \times \frac{d \sqrt{(\quad)}}{d(\quad)}$$

$$= 2p_1 \times \frac{1}{2} (m_1^2 + p_1^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{p_1}{(m_1^2 + p_1^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$\text{So } \left| \frac{df}{dp_1} \right| = \frac{p_1}{(m_1^2 + p_1^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} + \frac{p_1}{(m_2^2 + p_2^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} = p_1 \left\{ \frac{1}{E_1} + \frac{1}{E_2} \right\}$$

$$\left| \frac{df}{dp_1} \right| = p_1 \left\{ \frac{E_1 + E_2}{E_1 E_2} \right\} \quad \textcircled{A}$$

$$g(p^*) \left| \frac{df}{dp_1} \right|_{p^*}^{-1} \rightarrow \frac{p^{*2}}{4E_1 E_2} \frac{E_1 E_2}{p^* (E_1 + E_2)}$$

BY ENERGY CONSERVATION  $m_a = E_1 + E_2$

$$\text{so } \int |M_{fi}|^2 g(p_1) \delta(f(p_1)) dp_1 = \frac{p^*}{4m_a} |M_{fi}|^2$$

$$\int |M_{fi}|^2 \delta(m_a - E_1 - E_2) \delta^3(\vec{p}_1 + \vec{p}_2) \frac{d^3 \vec{p}_1}{2E_1} \cdot \frac{d^3 \vec{p}_2}{2E_2}$$

$$= \frac{p^*}{4m_a} \int |M_{fi}|^2 d\Omega$$

THIS COULD DEPEND ON ANGLE  $\rightarrow$  KEEP INSIDE

TWO BODY

DECAY

$$\Gamma_{fi} = \frac{p^*}{32\pi^2 m_a^2} \int |M_{fi}|^2 d\Omega$$

btw 
$$p^* = \frac{1}{2m_a} \left\{ [m_a^2 - (m_1 + m_2)^2] [m_a^2 - (m_1 - m_2)^2] \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

# INTERACTION CROSS SECTION

MANY EXPERIMENTS CONSIST OF COLLIDING PARTICLES AND LOOKING AT FINAL STATE.

IT'S QUITE SIMILAR TO DECAYS BUT HAVE TO ACCOUNT FOR INCOMING FLUX OF PARTICLES

FLUX — NUMBER OF PARTICLES CROSS UNIT AREA / UNIT TIME

HAVE BEAM OF PARTICLES TYPE  $\alpha$  WITH FLUX  $\phi_\alpha$  CROSSING A REGION OF SPACE WITH  $n_b$  / UNIT VOLUME

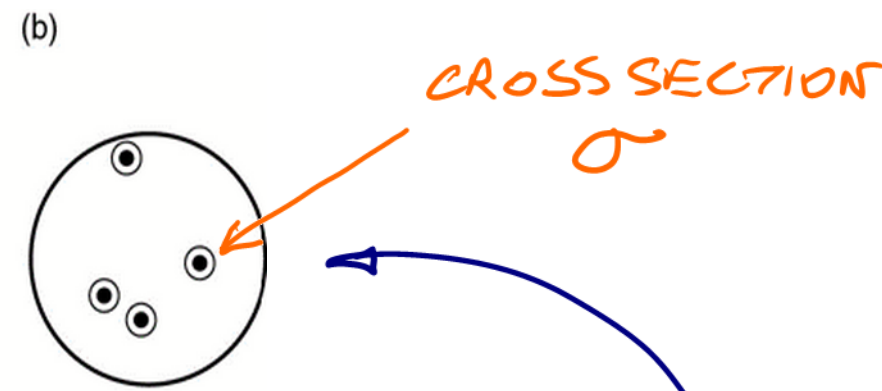
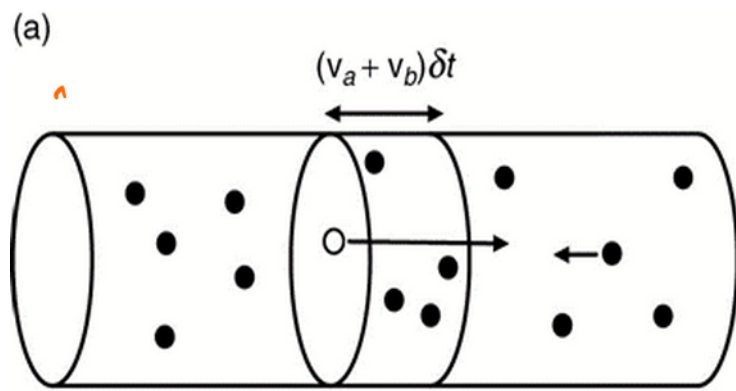
THE INTERACTION RATE IS:

$$r_b = \sigma \phi_\alpha$$

HAS DIMENSIONS AREA

→ HENCE "CROSS SECTION"

REFLECTS PHYSICS OF QM AMPLITUDE FOR COLLISION



SINGLE PARTICLE  $a$  TRAVELLING AT  $\bar{v}_a \rightarrow$  AREA  $A$   
 REGION DEFINED BY  $A$  HAS  $n_b$  PER UNIT VOLUME  
 TRAVELLING WITH  $\bar{v}_b$

IN  $\delta t$   $a$  CROSSES REGION CONTAINING  $\delta N = n_b (\bar{v}_a + \bar{v}_b) A \delta t$

IN TIME  $\delta t$ , VOLUME  $\bar{v} \times \delta t$  SWEEP OUT

$$L = (\bar{v}_a + \bar{v}_b) A \delta t$$

MULT BY NUMBER DENSITY

$$\delta N = n_b (\bar{v}_a + \bar{v}_b) A \delta t$$

INTERACTION  
 PROBABILITY

$$\delta P = \frac{\sum \sigma}{A} = \frac{\delta N \sigma}{A}$$



$$\delta p = \frac{\delta N \sigma}{A} = \frac{n_b (\bar{v}_a + \bar{v}_b) \cancel{A} \sigma \delta t}{\cancel{A}}$$

SINGLE PARTICLE

$$= n_b \bar{v} \sigma \delta t \quad ; \quad \Gamma_a = \frac{dp}{dt} = n_b v \sigma$$

RELATIVE VELOCITY

INTERACTIONS RATE

FOR NUMBER DENSITY  $n_a$  IN VOLUME  $V$

$$\text{RATE} = \Gamma_a \cdot n_a \cdot V = (n_b \sigma v) n_a V$$

$$\text{RATE} = (n_a v) (n_b V) \sigma = \text{FLUX} \cdot \text{NUMBER OF TARGETS} \cdot \sigma$$

$$\text{cf. } \Gamma_b = \sigma \phi_a$$

$\sigma = \text{NUMBER OF INTERACTIONS / UNIT TIME / TARGET PARTICLE}$   
INCIDENT FLUX

# LORENTZ INVARIANT FLUX

CALC  $\sigma$  FERMI GOLDEN RULE  
LORENTZ INVARIANT PARTICLE FLUX  
 $a + b \rightarrow 1 + 2$  IN REST FRAME  $\bar{v}_a$   $\bar{v}_b$   
 $m_a$   $m_b$

$$\text{RATE} = \Phi_a n_b V \sigma = (v_a + v_b) m_a n_b \sigma V$$

$\Phi_a =$  FLUX OF  $a$  THRU PLANE MOVING AT  $v_b$

NORMALIZE WAVE FNS  $\rightarrow$  ONE PARTICLE IN  $V$

$$m_a = m_b = \frac{1}{V}$$

GOLDEN RULE

$$\text{RATE} = \int f_i = \frac{v_a + v_b}{V} \cdot \sigma \quad \begin{array}{l} V \text{ CANCELS} \\ \text{IN FLUX} \rightarrow \\ \text{AND} \\ \text{NORM} \end{array} \quad \sigma = \frac{\int f_i}{v_a + v_b}$$

$$\sigma = \frac{(2\pi)^4}{v_a + v_b} \int |T_{fi}|^2 \delta(E_a + E_b - E_1 - E_2) \delta^3(\vec{p}_a + \vec{p}_b - \vec{p}_1 - \vec{p}_2) \frac{d^3\vec{p}_1}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{d^3\vec{p}_2}{(2\pi)^3}$$

LORENTZ-INVARIANT. PUT  $M_{fi} = (2E_1 2E_2 2E_3 2E_4)^{1/2} |T_{fi}|$

$$\sigma = \frac{(2\pi)^{-2}}{4E_a E_b (v_a + v_b)} \int |M_{fi}|^2 \delta(E_a + E_b - E_1 - E_2) \delta^3(\vec{p}_a + \vec{p}_b - \vec{p}_1 - \vec{p}_2) \frac{d^3\vec{p}_1}{2E_1} \frac{d^3\vec{p}_2}{2E_2}$$

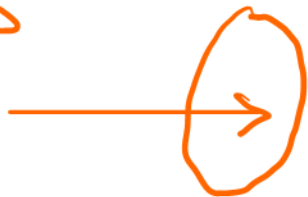
THIS  $\int$  IS LORENTZ INVARIANT

↑  
LORENTZ INVARIANT FLUX FACTOR,  $F$

SHOW  $F^2 = 16 \left\{ (\vec{p}_a \cdot \vec{p}_b)^2 - m_a^2 m_b^2 \right\}$  DO IT!  
 ↙ 4-VECTORS

SO  $\sigma$  IS LORENTZ INVARIANT

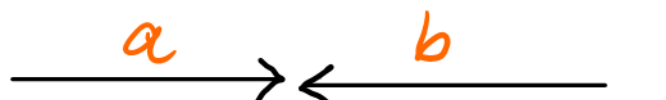
OBVIOUS



$\sigma$  IS A "DISK" TRANVERSE TO DIRECTION OF MOTION

# SCATTERING IN CMS-FRAME

$\sigma$  LORENTZ INVARIANT  $\rightarrow$  CALCULATE IN ANY FRAME  
 $\rightarrow$  CMS OFTEN BEST.



$$\sqrt{s} = (E_a^* + E_b^*)$$

$$\bar{p}_a = -\bar{p}_b = \bar{p}_i^*$$

$$\bar{p}_1 = -\bar{p}_2 = \bar{p}_f^*$$

$$\sum_{\text{CMS}} \bar{p} = 0$$

LORENTZ INVARIANT  
 FLUX FACTOR

$$F = 4 E_a^* E_b^* (v_a^* + v_b^*) \quad | \bar{p}_i^* |$$

$$= 4 E_a^* E_b^* \left( \frac{p_i^*}{E_a^*} + \frac{p_i^*}{E_b^*} \right)$$

$$= 4 p_i^* (E_a^* + E_b^*) \quad \sqrt{s}$$

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{1}{4 p_i^* \sqrt{s}} \int |M_{fi}|^2 \delta(\sqrt{s} - E_1 - E_2) \delta^3(\bar{p}_1 + \bar{p}_2) \frac{d^3 \bar{p}_1}{2E_1} \frac{d^3 \bar{p}_2}{2E_2}$$

THIS IS SAME AS  $\int$  IN 2-BODY DECAY  $m_a \leftrightarrow \sqrt{s}$

USE  $\delta$ -fn TO DO  $\int$  IN SAME WAY

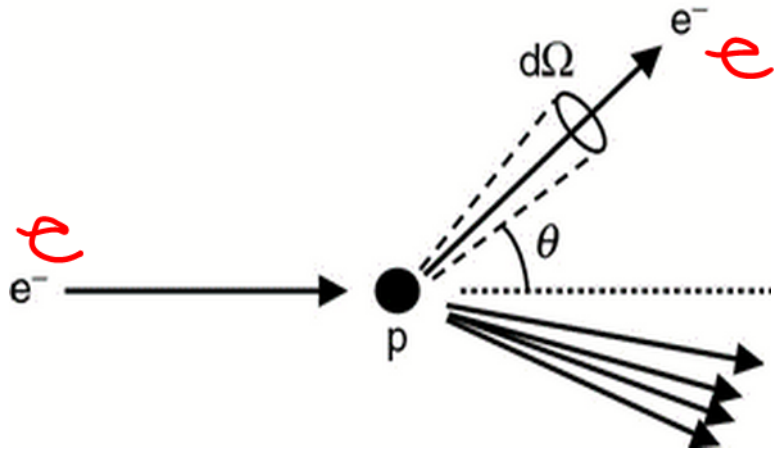
$$\text{So } \int = \frac{p_f^*}{4\sqrt{s}} \int |M_{fi}|^2 d\Omega^*$$

$$\text{AND } \sigma = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{1}{4p_i^* \sqrt{s}} \cdot \frac{p_f^*}{4\sqrt{s}} \int |M_{fi}|^2 d\Omega^*$$

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{64\pi^2} \cdot \frac{1}{s} \cdot \frac{p_f^*}{p_i^*} \int |M_{fi}|^2 d\Omega^*$$

THIS GIVES  $\sigma$  FOR ANY 2-BODY PROCESS

# DIFFERENTIAL CROSS SECTIONS



OFTEN INTERESTED  
IN DISTRIBUTION OF  
SOME KINEMATIC VARIABLE  
EG. ELECTRON IN  
 $ep \rightarrow e + \text{HADRONS}$

LOOK AT SCATTERING RATE INTO AN ELEMENT  
OF THE SOLID ANGLE  $d\Omega = d(\cos\theta) d\phi$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{d\sin\theta d\phi}$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\text{\# OF PARTICLES INTO } d\Omega \text{ / UNIT TIME / TARGET PARTICLE}}{\text{INCIDENT FLUX}}$$

CAN HAVE MORE THAN ONE VARIABLE

$$\sigma = \int \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \cdot d\Omega$$

$$\frac{d^2\sigma}{dE d\Omega}, \quad \frac{d\sigma}{dE}, \quad \frac{d\sigma}{dq^2} \quad \text{etc.} \dots$$



$d\sigma$  FROM DIFFERENTIAL OF  $\sigma = \frac{1}{64\pi^2 s} \frac{P_f^*}{P_i^*} \int |M_{fi}|^2 d\Omega^*$

$$\text{so } d\sigma = \frac{1}{64\pi^2} \frac{1}{s} \frac{P_f^*}{P_i^*} |M_{fi}|^2 d\Omega^*$$

EASY WHEN EXPERIMENT IN CMS      LAB = CMS  
LEP, LHC, ...

$$\text{JUST HAVE } \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega^*} = \frac{1}{64\pi^2} \cdot \frac{1}{s} \frac{P_f^*}{P_i^*} |M_{fi}|^2$$

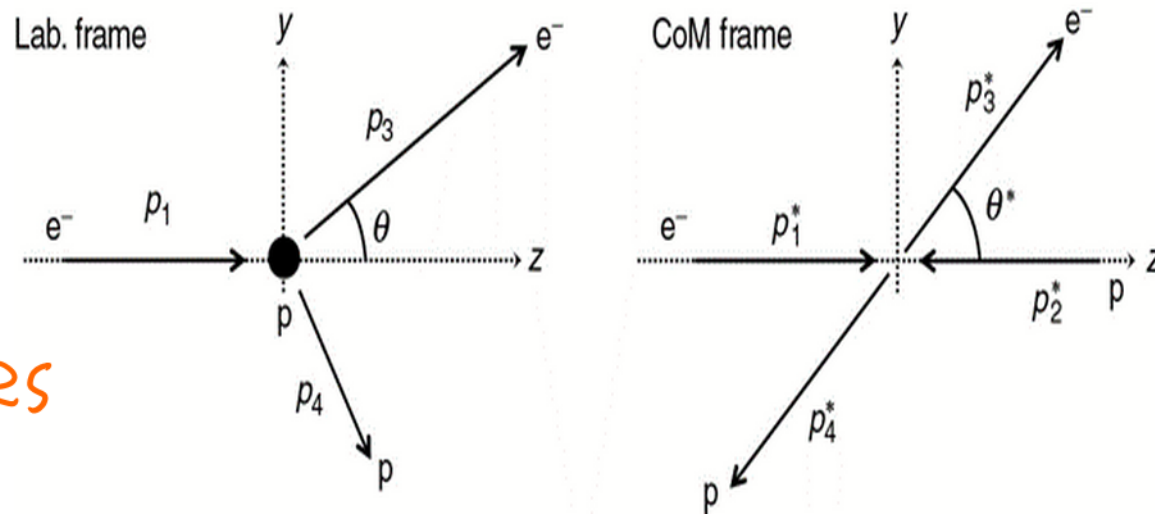
FOR A STATIONARY TARGET eg  $ep \rightarrow e + \text{HADRONS}$   
BEAM  $\nearrow$   $\nwarrow$  LIQUID HYDROGEN

NEED LAB QUANTITIES

NEED TO TRANSFORM  $d\sigma \rightarrow$  LAB FRAME

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega^*} = \frac{1}{64\pi^2 s} \frac{p_f^*}{p_i^*} |M_{fi}|^2 d\Omega^* \rightarrow \text{LAB FRAME}$$

EXPRESS  $d\Omega^*$  IN TERM OF LORENTZ INVARIANT  $t$



4 VECTORS

$$\begin{aligned}
 t &= (p_1^* - p_3^*)^2 = p_1^{*2} + p_3^{*2} - 2p_1^* \cdot p_3^* \\
 &= m_1^2 + m_3^2 - 2(E_1^* E_3^* - \vec{p}_1^* \cdot \vec{p}_3^*) = |\vec{p}_3^*|^2 \\
 &= m_1^2 + m_3^2 - 2E_1^* E_3^* + 2p_1^* p_3^* \cos\theta^*
 \end{aligned}$$

IN CMS ONLY VARIABLE IS  $\theta^*$   $\rightarrow dt = 2p_1^* p_3^* d(\cos\theta^*)$

$$d\Omega^* \equiv d(\cos\theta^*) d\phi^* = \frac{dt d\phi^*}{2 p_i^* p_f^*}$$

SUBSTITUTE THIS INTO

$$d\sigma = \frac{1}{64\pi^2 S} \frac{p_f^*}{p_i^*} |M_{fi}|^2 d\Omega^*$$

$$d\sigma = \frac{1}{128\pi^2 S p_i^{*2}} |M_{fi}|^2 d\phi^* dt$$

$\int_0^{2\pi} d\phi = 2\pi$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \frac{1}{64\pi S p_i^{*2}} |M_{fi}|^2$$

THIS IS A GENERAL LORENTZ INVARIANT  $\frac{d\sigma}{dt}$   
 FOR 2-BODY  $a+b \rightarrow 1+2$

$$p_i^{*2} = \frac{1}{4S} [s - (m_1 + m_2)^2] [s - (m_1 - m_2)^2]$$

↳ DO IT !!

# LABORATORY FRAME DIFFERENTIAL CROSS SECTION

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \frac{l}{64 \pi s p_i^{*2}} |M_{fi}|^2 \quad \text{IS VALID IN ANY INERTIAL FRAME}$$

FOR  $E \gg m$   $p_1 \approx (E_1, 0, 0, E_1)$  4-VECTORS

$$p_2 \approx (m_p, 0, 0, 0)$$

$$p_3 \approx (E_3, 0, E_3 \sin \theta, E_3 \cos \theta)$$

FOR  $m_p \gg m_e$   $p_i^{*2} = \frac{1}{4s} [s - (m_1 + m_2)^2] [s - (m_1 - m_2)^2]$

$$\approx \frac{(s - m_p^2)^2}{4s}$$

$$s = (p_1 + p_2)^2 = p_1^2 + p_2^2 + 2(E_1, |E_1|)(m_p, 0)$$

$$= m_p^2 + 2E_1 m_p$$

AT REST

$$p_i^{*2} \sim \frac{(s - m_p)^2}{4s} = \frac{2E_1 m_p^2}{4s} = \frac{E_1 m_p^2}{s} \quad (3.40)$$

WHAT WE ACTUALLY MEASURE IN THE EXPT IS  $\Theta_{\text{LAB}}$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{d\sigma}{dt} \cdot \left| \frac{dt}{d\Omega} \right| = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{dt}{d(\cos\theta)} \cdot \frac{d\sigma}{dt}$$

↳ NO AZIMUTHAL VARIATION

$$t = (p_1 - p_3)^2 = p_1^2 + p_3^2 - 2p_1 \cdot p_3$$

$$= m_e^2 + m_e^2 - 2(E_1, |E_1|)(E_3, |E_3|)$$

$$t = - (2E_1 E_3 - 2E_1 E_3 \cos\theta) = -2E_1 E_3 (1 - \cos\theta)$$

↳ THIS IS  
A FUNCTION OF  $\theta$

$$p_1 + p_2 = p_3 + p_4$$

CAN MAKE  $t$  OUT OF THESE

$$t = (p_2 - p_4)^2 = p_2^2 + p_4^2 - 2p_2 \cdot p_4$$

$$= 2m_p^2 - 2(m_p, 0)(E_4, \vec{p}_4) = 2m_p^2 - 2m_p E_4$$

INVOKE ENERGY CONSERVATION  $E_4 = E_1 + m_p - E_3$

$$= 2m_p^2 - 2m_p E_1 - 2m_p^2 + 2m_p E_3$$

$$t = -2m_p (E_1 - E_3)$$

EQUATE TWO EXPRESSIONS FOR  $t$

$$2E_1 E_3 (1 - \cos\theta) = 2m_p (E_1 - E_3)$$

$$E_1 E_3 (1 - \cos\theta) + m_p E_3 = E_1 m_p$$

$$E_3 = \frac{E_1 m_p}{E_1 - E_1 \cos\theta + m_p}$$

(3.44)



$$\text{HAD } t = -2m_p (E_1 - E_3) \quad \leftarrow \text{FIXED INCOMING ENERGY}$$

$$\frac{dt}{d(\cos\theta)} = 2m_p \frac{dE_3}{d(\cos\theta)}$$

FROM (3.44)

$$\frac{dE_3}{d(\cos\theta)} = \frac{E_1^2 m_p}{(m_p + E_1 - E_1 \cos\theta)^2} = \frac{E_3^2}{m_p}$$

$= \frac{E_1^2 m_p^2}{E_3^2}$

$$\frac{dE_3}{d(\cos\theta)} = \frac{E_3^2}{m_p}$$

HAD

$$\frac{dt}{d(\cos\theta)} = 2m_p \frac{dE_3}{d(\cos\theta)}$$

$$\frac{dt}{d(\cos\theta)} = 2E_3^2 \quad \leftarrow \text{WHY SO SIMPLE } \ddot{\wedge} ?$$

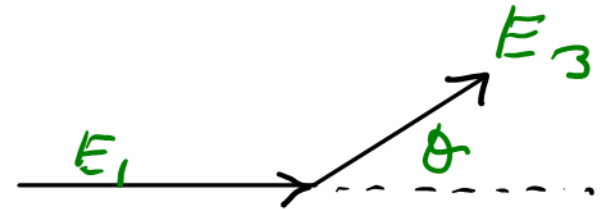
$$\text{HAD} \quad \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{dt}{d(\cos\theta)} \cdot \frac{d\sigma}{dt}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \cdot \frac{2E_3^2}{m_p} \cdot \frac{1}{64\pi s p_i^{*2}} |M_{fi}|^2$$

FROM (3.40)  $p_i^{*2} = \frac{E_1 m_p^2}{s}$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{1}{64\pi^2} \left( \frac{E_3}{E_1 m_p} \right)^2 |M_{fi}|^2$$

USUALLY EXPERIMENTS  
MEASURE INCIDENT ENERGY +  $\theta$



$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{1}{64\pi^2} \left( \frac{1}{m_p + E_1 - E_1 \cos\theta} \right)^2 |M_{fi}|^2$$

## SUMMARY

DECAY / INTERACTION RATE  $\rightarrow \Gamma_{fi} = 2\pi |T_{fi}| \rho(E)$

WE DISCUSSED HOW TO CALCULATE  $\rightarrow$

DECAY RATE  $a \rightarrow 1+2$   $\Gamma = \frac{p^*}{32\pi^2 m_a} \int |M_{fi}|^2 d\Omega$

$$p^* = \frac{1}{2m_i} \sqrt{[(m_i^2 - (m_1 + m_2)^2)][(m_i^2 - (m_1 - m_2)^2)]}$$

DIFFERENTIAL  $\sigma$   $a+b \rightarrow c+d$   $\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega^*} = \frac{1}{64\pi^2 S} \frac{p_f^*}{p_i^*} |M_{fi}|^2$   
IN CMS

FOR  $e p \rightarrow e p$   
NEGLECT  $m_e$   
IN THE LAB

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{1}{64\pi^2} \left( \frac{E_s}{m_p E_1} \right)^2 |M_{fi}|^2$$