Plasma Astro seminar





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Polarized QED Processes in Laser Fields and Pulsar Fields

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Abstract:

QED processes play an important role when the field strength in the rest frame of electrons approaches the Schwinger limit. Such strong fields are available in high-power lasers, pulsars, and so on. In this seminar, I will discuss several QED processes in both laser fields and pulsar fields, mainly focusing on spin and polarization effects during gamma photon emission and pair production. I will show some of the similarities and differences between laser fields and pulsar fields in the strong-field QED regime. It is an open question how research on these two types of fields can be linked and inspired by each other (QED laboratory astrophysics?). My topic includes: (1) How to generate polarized electrons/positrons by ultra-intense lasers. [H.-H. Song et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 129, 035001 (2022)] (2) Photon polarization of QED cascades over the polar cap of pulsars. [H.-H. Song et al. Mon. Not. R. Astron. Soc. 530, 2087 (2024)]

Biography:

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