Probing and Knocking with Muons

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PKU Muon Detector Development



- → CMS Muon Trigger RPC: assembled and tested at PKU at around 2002
- → RPC R&D for nuclear physics
 → CMS GEM upgrade program

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Combination of glass RPC & Delay-line Readout



90% R134a+9% i-C4H10+1% SF6 50ml/Min

Muon: a bridge connecting applied and fundamental particle physics





Void in Pyramid

Container inspection

- Muongraphy: Non-destructive property!
- · Geology:

Rock formations, glaciers, minerals, oceans and underground carbon dioxide storage

· Archaeology:

pyramids in Egypt, Mausoleum of Qin Shihunag

Volcano monitor:

Showa-Shinzan, Asama, Sakurajima in Japan, and Stromboli in Italy

- Tropic Cyclones monitor: Kagoshima, Japan
- Nuclear safety monitor:

Visualization of reactor interiors, detection of spent nuclear fuel in dry storage barrels and nuclear waste





- Muon g-2
- Muon EDM (Electric Dipole Moment)
- Muon CLFV (Charged Lepton Flavor Violation)
- Muon-philic DM (NA64µ, MMM, this work)



Workshop on Muon Physics at the Intensity and Precision Frontiers (MIP 2024)

- 19 Apr 2024, 02:00 → 22 Apr 2024, 12:20 Asia/Shanghai
- Peking University
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<u>MIP2024</u>

Several possible Chinese Muon beams in the near future: Melody, CIADS, HIAF

缪子散射类型的实验在国际上较为欠缺。

一方面, 1960年代欧美的一些实验(例如<u>Phys. Rev. **137**, B266, 1965</u>)等侧重于探测核性质。由于当时标准模型尚未完整建立, 对利用缪子进行带电轻子味道破坏、暗物质等新物理的寻找还不成熟;

另一方面, 在近几个世纪, 利用缪子对新物理的探索, 例如美国的缪子反常磁矩实验、欧洲的 缪子反常衰变的探测如MEG、Mu3e等实验, 通常采用的是自由缪子或缪子衰变。 直到近年来, CERN的NA64mu(<u>Phys. Rev. Lett. 132, 211803</u>)和设计中的<u>MuonE</u>等实验才开始 重新利用高能缪子(~160GeV)与靶散射, 通过对缪子与核子或电子的散射来对新物理或者 重要的标准模型观测量进行探索。

然而, **缪子散射蕴含大量的物理课题有待挖掘, 而且不同能量的 缪子束流可以对不同的新物理空间具有敏感性**。如下所述, 缪子与可能的亲缪子类型暗物质可以发生大角度散射;缪子与电子的散射可以来探测带电轻子味道破坏的新型玻色子;对GeV缪子与电子散射的精确测量也可以来验证量子纠缠(<u>Phys. Rev. D 107, 116007 (2023</u>);缪子与核子的散射则可以探测不同核子的性质, 由于质心系能量相比缪子与静止电子的高, 也可以探测更高能标的不同种类的新物理。

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Muon Philic Dark matter

- Muon Philic Dark Matter may be possible or <u>necessary</u>!
- Electron/Muons on Target Experiments
- DarkShine is ~ LDMX based on Shanghai Synchrotron Radiation Facility
- <u>MMM</u> (M3) is a US proposed muon-LDMX experiment
 - Intrigued by a proposal based on CERN NA64
 - "a lower-energy, e.g. 15 GeV, muon beam allows for greater muon track curvature and, therefore, a more compact experimental design..."





Figure 1. Dark bremsstrahlung signal process for simplified models with invisibly decaying scalar (*left*) and vector (*right*) forces that couple predominantly to muons. In both cases, a relativistic muon beam is incident on a fixed target and scatters coherently off a nucleus to produce the new particle as initial- or final-state 7 radiation.

Exotic Dark Matter concentrated near the Earth

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Dark Matter Annihilation inside Large-Volume Neutrino Detectors

Owing to their interactions with ordinary matter, a strongly interacting dark matter component (DMC) would be trapped readily in the Earth and thermalize with the surrounding matter. Furthermore, for lighter DM, strong matter interactions allow Earth-bound DM particles to distribute more uniformly over the entire volume of the Earth rather than concentrating near the center. Together, this can make the DM density near the surface of the Earth tantalizingly large, up to $\sim f_{\gamma} \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ for DM mass of 1 GeV [8–11]. Despite their large surface abundance, such thermalized DMCs are almost impossible to detect in traditional direct detection experiments as they carry a minuscule amount of kinetic energy $\sim kT = 0.03$ eV. A

A large amount of dark matter is concentrated near the Earth, and their speed is very low, making it difficult to cause recoil signals in experiments.

 As we will see, muon DM scattering experiment (PKMuon) depends minorly on DM velocity

Muon Tomography and Muon-DM scattering



Muon DM Box experiment: Geant4 Simulation

- → MC simulation of GEM-based detector based on Geant4
 - Triple-GEM detector design refer to CMS GEM design
 - Muon material interaction automatically considered by Geant4
 - Reco hit position: Truth hit position smeared by GEM detector resolution (~ 200 um)
- → DM and muon scattering: model-independent method
 - Non-relativistic two-body elastic scattering between muon and DM following Newtonian mechanics
 - Standard halo model: DM velocity distribution follows Maxwell-Boltzmann distribution
 - * <u>CRY</u> (Cosmic-ray) model: cosmic-ray muon energy and zenith angle distributions at sea-level



Different from XENON1T/PandaX: Relativistic muon hit quasi-static DM

Cosmic Muon Mean energy: 3~4 GeV



Muon DM Box experiment: expected results



- "Asimov" data is used
- · Binned maximum likelihood fits
- UL determined by CLs method
- Only take statistical uncertainty into consideration



limit can approach µb

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Current Software and Simulation Status



Current Box Exp. Status



Accumulated Data

- 3+ months data taking since Jan. 2024
- Effective volume as 50cm*20cm*20cm
- Total effective events as 330548, with mean scattering angle as 0.0252 rad
- The fraction of large angle scatter events ($\theta > 0.2$ rad) is ar

d

- There are several events cos θ <0.4
- Data Analysis is ongoing More results in <u>a recent report</u> from Cheng-en Liu and Qite Li



Current Beam Exp. Status

Interfacing with a muon beam at e.g. HIAF



Cylindrical GEM (CGEM) detector structure for BESIII inner tracker system upgrade



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CLFV physics



CLFV Widely predicted in NP models



ref1 ref2

CLFV searches



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Muon→Electron Conversion ¹⁸

CLFV searches



A new yet economic CLFV experiment?



Muon-Electron Threshold Scan



- μ + e- \rightarrow Z' \rightarrow e+ e-, μ + μ Charged Lepton Flavor Violation
- Resonant production Enhancement
- X=16.7 MeV Anomaly
- Connecting e-mu collider and muon beam experiments

specific beam energy leads to specific phase space

Muon-Electron Threshold Scan



s/t–channel diagrams; on/off-resonance; outgoing angle~0.001 rad ²²

Prospected <u>**Results</u>** by counting $R = \frac{dN}{dt} \cdot n \cdot dx \cdot \sigma$ </u>



Figure 10: The 90% C.L. upper limit of $\lambda_{e\mu} \times \lambda_{\text{SM}}$ (a) and $\lambda_{e\mu} \times \lambda_{\mu\mu}$ (b). The curves are graphed with respect to $M_{Z'}$, representing the limits of the cross section times branching ratio. Additionally, exclusion lines from both present low-energy experiments (shown as solid lines in purple, green and brown) and future experiments (shown as dashed lines in purple, green and brown) are included in the plot.



FIG. 6: Geometry configuration and $\mu^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^$ event display of the experiment simulation. Other tracks are shown in gray.

- Muon can lose energy while propagating in material, before hitting with electron
- A plugin to interface MG with Geant4 efficiently

Algorithm 1: Efficient $\mu^+ e^- \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$ event generation

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function GenerateMuELL(E_{\mu}, \vec{p}_{\mu}, m_{\ell})
      E_{\mu 1}, E_{\mu 2}, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, H_1, H_2 \leftarrow \text{AdjacentGridPoints}(E_{\mu});
      if E_{\mu} is out of the grid range then
            return no \mu^+ e^- \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- happens;
      end if
      w_1 \leftarrow \frac{E_{\mu} - E_{\mu 2}}{E_{\mu 1} - E_{\mu 2}}, w_2 \leftarrow \frac{E_{\mu 1} - E_{\mu}}{E_{\mu 1} - E_{\mu 2}};
     \sigma \leftarrow w_1 \sigma_1 + w_2 \sigma_2; // cross section
     if \operatorname{Random}(0,1) < w_1 then
            \alpha \leftarrow H_1.\text{Sample}();
      else
            \alpha \leftarrow H_2.Sample():
      end if // equivalent to \alpha \leftarrow (w_1H_1 + w_2H_2).Sample()
     \phi \leftarrow \text{Random}(0, 2\pi);
      E', p', \gamma, \beta \leftarrow \text{Kinematics}(E_{\mu}, m_{\ell}); // \text{see Appendix A}
     p_{x+} \leftarrow p' \sin \alpha \cos \phi, \, p_{y+} \leftarrow p' \sin \alpha \sin \phi;
     p_{z+} \leftarrow \gamma \left( p' \cos \alpha + \beta E'/2 \right);
     \vec{p}_{+} \leftarrow \text{ThreeVector}(p_{x+}, p_{y+}, p_{z+}); // \text{ see Fig. 3a}
     \vec{p}_{+} \leftarrow \vec{p}_{+}.RotateZAxisTo(\hat{p}_{\mu});
      \vec{p}_{-} \leftarrow \vec{p}_{\mu} - \vec{p}_{+}; //\hat{z} \leftarrow \hat{p}_{\mu} in Fig. 3a in rotation
      return \sigma, \vec{p}_{+}, \vec{p}_{-}:
end function
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Cluster hits to 3 tracks



signal (×10.0)

background

signal-truth

0.008

0.010



(a) 3 cm Al target

(b) 3 cm Al target, with *e*-veto



FIG. 9: $\max_{i\neq j} \{ \langle \vec{p}_i, \vec{p}_j \rangle \}$ distributions of variant target, where $E_{\mu} = 50.2$ GeV, $m_{Z'} = 0.25$ GeV, and the $\mu^+ e^- \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ process is added with $\lambda_{e\mu}$ scaled to 10 (1) for Al (Pb). The yields are normalized to 3×10^{13} targeting muons corresponding to a one-year accumulation.



(a) 3 cm Al target, with *e*-veto (b) 8 cm Pb target, with *e*-veto

FIG. 10: 95% C.L. upper limit results of variant target. The yields are normalized to 3×10^{13} targeting muons corresponding to a one-year accumulation.

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Muon Electron Scattering



- <u>MuonE</u> exploits 160 GeV Muon beam to measure muon electron scattering, and a precise determination of the leading hadronic contribution to the muon g-2.
- Muon electron scattering at lower energy (~GeV) may be interesting to SM test itself, and Quantum entanglement probe PRD 107, 116007 (2023):





FIG. 15. The red regions correspond to the values of p and θ for which the final state is entangled at low—< 30 MeV—(a) and high—< 1 GeV—(b) energies.

Muon Electron Scattering for QE



LHC experiments at CERN observe quantum entanglement at

the highest energy yet



Muon Electron Scattering for QE



Peres-Horodecki criterion ref ref2

Theory prediction

 $Det[\rho_C]$, any negative value

$$\rho_C \equiv \begin{bmatrix} 1 + B_3^+ + B_3^- + C_{33} & C_{11} + C_{22} + i(C_{12} - C_{21}) \\ C_{11} + C_{22} + i(C_{21} - C_{12}) & 1 - B_3^+ - B_3^- + C_{33} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \Delta \equiv -C_{33} + |C_{11} + C_{22}| - 1 > 0$$





Simulated QE results







Flavor Changing Dark X



- Muon electron (mu+ e-) annihilation into missing energy signal
- Similar proposal (ERC supported <u>POKER</u>) for e+e- annihilation
 - Phys. Rev. D 88 (2013), 114015
 - <u>Phys.Rev.D 104 (2021) 9, L091701</u>
 - Exp results with NA64
- Muon beam energy can be lowered down
 - If X mass is small enough
- Can be interpreted as Br(mu->e+X) for low mass X
 - and compared with <u>TWIST</u>
- To be implemented within G4
 - \circ Our own implementation
 - Or using <u>DMG4</u>



POsitron resonant

Muon's two body 'decay'



- Lepton family number violation by searching for $\mu \rightarrow e X_0$
- Previous limit from the Twist Collaboration: <u>Phys. Rev. D 91</u>, 052020 (2015)
- We are aiming at muon on target searches (works also for X₀ heavier than muon).
 - Require Calorimeter to veto backgrounds
 - Can also be put under flavor changing Dark Matter



Muon nuclei scattering



- Various scattering experiment to measure nuclei structure
 - <u>JLAB</u> 12-24 GeV electron scattering
 - CERN <u>COMPASS</u> and <u>AMBER</u> muon project
- With 0.1-1 GeV Muon beam, we may measure independently
 - Nuclei (charge) form factor
 - Coherent Weak scattering

0 ...

Muon nuclei scattering



- Rare Muon Nuclei scattering processes to be measured and explored.
- Verify Geant4 Simulation Tool
- Sensitive to various BSM, including
 - the Zprime CLFV,
 - or DM decays into visible signals



Dark Matter from Muon nuclei scattering



- Exploration of the Muon g-2 and Light Dark Matter explanations in <u>NA64</u> with the CERN SPS high energy muon beam
- Our limit may be weak than NA64mu.
- Can still be used to verity Geant4 Simulation Tool



Milli-Charged Particle Searches



- Heavy <u>millicharged particles</u> may be produced from the atmosphere when high energy cosmic rays collide with nuclei
 Theoretical predictions <u>here</u>
- Can be detected at PKMu detectors
 PID and optimization to be done.



Also from meson decay

FIG. 2. Feynman diagrams for MCP production through proton bremsstrahlung (left) and the Drell-Yan process (right).

Muon Bundle from Cosmic Ray



- Multi-muon bundles in cosmic ray showers detected, e.g., with the <u>DELPHI</u> detector at LEP
 Could be sensitive to heavy ion elements in CR
- With large area PKMu detectors, it is possible to detector muon bundles and trace back to the origin points in the atmosphere (~O(10) km)
- Again, challenges and opportunities to read out muli-muons!



Melody, CIADS, HIAF Muon beams

<u>Melody</u>: approved and the first Chinese Muon beam will be built in 5 years.

	Surface Muon	Negative Muon	Decay Muon						
Proton Power (kW)	20	Up to 100	Up to 100						
Pulse width (ns)	130 to 10	500	130 to 10	HIAF	& HI.	AF-U			中国科学院近代物理研究所 Institute of Woder Physics, Chinese Academy of Sciences
Muon intensity (/s)	10 ⁵ ~ 10 ⁶	Up to 5*10 ⁶	Up to 5*10 ⁶	 BRing-N: 34Tm, 569m, 3Hz SRing: 17(25)Tm, 270.5m, accumulation/compression BRing-S: 86Tm, 3Hz, superconducting MRing: 45Tm, superconducting, beam merging 					Nuclear matter Hypernuclei
Polarization (%)	>95	>95	50~95						
Positron (%)	<1%	NA	<1%						High-energy SBing
Repetition (Hz)	1	Up to 5	Up to 5	FAIR	Particle	238U28+	Intensity (ppp) 5×10 ¹¹	Est. time 2025	density physics
Terminals	2	1~2	2	FNAL	4.5 8.0 3.0	p 238U35+	4×10^{3} 6.8×10^{13} 2×10^{12}	2022	BRing-S
Muon Momentum (MeV/c)	30	30	Up to 120	HIAF-U	9.1 25	²³⁸ U ⁹²⁺ ₽	$\begin{array}{c} 1 \times 10^{12} \\ 4 \times 10^{14} \end{array}$	2032	iLinac up to 200MeV/u
Full Beam Spot (mm)	10 ~ 30	10 ~ 30	10~30						

~30 MeV, ~100 MeV,

~1GeV

PoCA

- → The point of closest approach (PoCA) algorithm
- → The angular scattering distribution is approximately Gaussian

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$$\sigma_{\theta} = \frac{13.6 \text{ MeV}}{\beta c p} \sqrt{\frac{L}{L_0}} [1 + 0.038 \ln \frac{L}{L_{\text{rad}}}] \approx \frac{13.6}{p} \sqrt{\frac{L}{L_0}}$$



- * *p*: momentum, βc : velocity, *L*: depth of the material, L_{rad} : radiation length of the material
- Scattering strength: establish a nominal muon momentum (3 GeV, for example), and define the mean square scattering of nominal muons per unit depth of a material

$$\lambda_{\text{mat}} = (\frac{13.6}{p_0})^2 \frac{1}{L_{\text{rad}}} \approx \sigma_{\theta_0,\text{mat}}^2$$

- → Multiple muons income and scatter with material, and we measure it in two orthogonal planes x and y. If we know the path length L_i and the momentum p_i of each muon through the material:

$$\hat{\lambda} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} N(\frac{p_i^2}{p_0^2} \cdot \frac{\theta_{xi}^2 + \theta_{yi}^2}{2L_i})$$



RPC

→ RPC - R. Santonico(in 1980s)

 simple and robust structure, long-term stability, good timing resolution, easy-maintenance and low cost

→ PKU RPC R&D History

- CMS Muon Trigger RPCs, assembled and tested by PKU (2002)
- Combination of glass RPC & Decay-line Readout (<u>Qite Li et. al.</u>)

→ Glass RPC MT Prototype in 2012

- ♦ Effective area of the electrode: $20 \times 20 \text{ cm}^2$
- Readout electronics: decay-line, charge-division methods

→ Good and stable performance so far!

Positional resolution: ~0.5 mm, detection efficiency: > 90%

(a) Prototype glass RPC (b) One RPC with two structure Compact Muon Solenoid get X and Y signals respectively (a) Crical Board DET 100 av **Ny Court in Thering** Flored Clines foot Glass 50 Graphite Electrop 100.49 LC Datay Line 100 80 ncy (%) 60 Avalanche Threshold Streamer Threshold Efficie 40 20 11000 12000 8000 9000 10000 13000 HV (V) Efficiency curves for the glass RPC



