Proton Charge Radius and the PRad Experiment

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Proton Charge Radius

- An important property of the nucleon
 - Important for understanding how QCD works
 - Progress made on lattice
 - An important physics input to the bound state QED calculations, affects muonic H Lamb shift $(2S_{1/2} 2P_{1/2})$ by as much as 2%
- Electron-proton elastic scattering to determine electric form factor (Nuclear Physics)

$$\sqrt{\langle r^2 \rangle} = \sqrt{-6 \frac{dG(q^2)}{dq^2}} |_{q^2=0}$$

- Spectroscopy (Atomic physics)
 - Hydrogen Lamb shift
 - Muonic Hydrogen Lamb shift



Unpolarized electron-nucleon scattering (Rosenbluth Separation)

• Elastic e-p cross section

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha^2 \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}{4E^2 \sin^4 \frac{\theta}{2}} \frac{E'}{E} \left(\frac{G_E^{p^2} + \tau G_M^{p^2}}{1 + \tau} + 2\tau G_M^{p^2} \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right)$$
$$= \sigma_M f_{rec}^{-1} \left(A + B \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right)$$

- At fixed Q², fit $d\sigma/d\Omega$ vs. $tan^{2}(\theta/2)$
 - Measurement of absolute cross section
 - Dominated by either G_E or G_M
 - Low Q^2 by G_E
 - High Q^2 by G_M

 G_F or G_M







 $\varepsilon = (1 + 2(1 + \tau) \tan \theta)$

Electron-proton elastic scattering with longitudinally polarized electron beam and recoil proton polarization measurement

 G_E^p

 \overline{G}_{M}^{p}

Polarization Transfer

Recoil proton polarization



- Focal Plane Polarimeter
 - recoil proton scatters off secondary ¹²C target
 - $\begin{array}{ll} & \mathsf{P}_{\mathsf{t}}, \, \mathsf{P}_{\mathsf{l}} \text{ measured from} \\ \phi \text{ distribution} \end{array}$
 - P_b, and analyzing power cancel out in ratio







Focal-plane polarimeter

Asymmetry Super-ratio Method Polarized electron-polarized proton elastic scattering

• Polarized beam-target asymmetry

 $A_{exp} = P_b P_t \frac{-2\tau v_{T'} \cos \theta^* G_M^{p-2} + 2\sqrt{2\tau(1+\tau)} v_{TL'} \sin \theta^* \cos \phi^* G_M^p G_E^p}{(1+\tau) v_L G_E^{p-2} + 2\tau v_T G_M^{p-2}}$



• Super-ratio

$$R_A=rac{A_1}{A_2}=rac{a_1-b_1\cdot G_E^p/G_M^p}{a_2-b_2\cdot G_E^p/G_M^p}$$

BLAST pioneered the technique, later also used in Jlab Hall A experiment





Hydrogen Spectroscopy



The absolute frequency of H energy levels has been measured with an accuracy of 1.4 part in 10^{14} via comparison with an atomic cesium fountain clock as a primary frequency standard.

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Yields R_{\infty} (the most precisely known constant)
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Comparing measurements to QED calculations that include corrections for the finite size of the proton provide an indirect but very precise value of the rms proton charge radius

Proton charge radius effect on the muonic hydrogen Lamb shift is 2%

Muonic hydrogen Lamb shift at PSI (2010, 2013)



2010: new value is $r_p = 0.84184(67)$ fm

New PSI results reported in Science 2013



2013: r_p = 0.84087(39) fm, A. Antognini *et al.*, Science 339, 417 (2013)

Recent ep Scattering Experiments

Three spectrometer facility of the A1 collaboration:



- Large amount of overlapping data sets
- Statistical error $\leq 0.2\%$
- Luminosity monitoring with spectrometer
- $Q^2 = 0.004 1.0 (GeV/c)^2$ result: $r_p = 0.879(5)_{stat}(4)_{sys}(2)_{mod}(4)_{group}$

Measurements @ Mainz



J. Bernauer, PRL 105,242001, 2010

5-7 σ higher than muonic hydrogen result !

(J. Bernauer)

JLab Recoil Proton Polarization Experimental



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The situation on the Proton Charge Radius several years ago



Revisits QED Calculations....

			An additional 0.31 meV to
Contribution	Value	Uncertainty	match CODATA value
	[meV]	$[10^{-4} \text{ meV}]$	
Uehling	205.0282		
Källen–Sabry	1.5081		
VP iteration	0.151		
Mixed $\mu - e$ VP	0.00007	T 1	· 1 T · 1
Hadronic VP [21,23]	0.011	20 Eval	uation by Jentschura,
Sixth order VP [24]	0.00761	Ann	als Phys 326 500 (2011)
Whichmann-Kroll	-0.00103		1 (2011)
Virtual Delbrück	0.00135	Sum	mary by
Light-by-light	_	¹⁰ A. A	ntognini et al., arXiv:1208.2637
Muon self-energy and muonic VP (2 nd order)	-0.66788		
Fourth order electron loops	-0.00169		
VP insertion in self energy [17]	-0.0055	₁₀ Birse a	ind McGovern, arXiv:1206.3030
Proton self–energy [18]	-0.0099	0.015(4) meV (proton polarizability)
Recoil [17,43]	0.0575	ΙM	Alarcon et al 1312 1219
Recoil correction to VP (one–photon)	-0.0041		
Recoil (two-photon) [19]	-0.04497	0.00	08 meV
Recoil higher order [19]	-0.0096		
Recoil finite size [32]	0.013	10	
Finite size of order $(Z\alpha)^4$ [32] $-5.1975(1) r_p^2$	-3.979	(620) G.A.	Miller, arXiv:1209.4667
Finite size of order $(Z\alpha)^5$ 0.0347(30) r_p^3	0.0232	(20)	
Finite size of order $(Z\alpha)^6$	-0.0005		
Correction to VP $-0.0109 r_p^2$	-0.0083	New	experiments at HIGS and
Additional size for VP [19] $-0.0164 r_p^2$	-0.0128	N/~:.	, on proton polarizabilities
Proton polarizability [18,33]	0.015	40 IVIAII	nz on proton polarizabilities
Fine structure $\Delta E(2P_{3/2} - 2P_{1/2})$	8.352	10	
$2P_{3/2}^{F=2}$ hyperfine splitting	1.2724		
$2S_{1/2}^{F=1}$ hyperfine splitting [42], (-22.8148/4)	-5.7037	20	

New Physics or what? - Incomplete list

- New physics: new particles, Barger et al., Carlson and Rislow; Liu and Miller,....New PV muonic force, Batell et al.; Carlson and Freid; Extra dimension: Dahia and Lemos; Quantum gravity at the Fermi scale R. Onofrio;.....
- Contributions to the muonic H Lamb shift: Carlson and Vanderhaeghen,; Jentschura, Borie, Carroll et al, Hill and Paz, Birse and McGovern, G.A. Miller, J.M. Alarcon, Ji, Peset and Pineda....
- Higher moments of the charge distribution and Zemach radii, Distler, Bernauer and Walcher,....
- J.A. Arrington, G. Lee, J. R. Arrington, R. J. Hill discuss systematics in extraction from ep data, no resolution on discrepancy
- Donnelly, Milner and Hasell discuss interpretation of ep data,..... Discrepancy explained by some but others disagree
- Dispersion relations: Lorentz et al.
- Frame transformation: D. Robson
- New experiments: Mainz (e-d, ISR), JLab (PRad), PSI (Lamb shift, and MUSE), H₂ Lamb shift (spectroscopy), and others

Revisits of e-p scattering data (selected)

- Analysis of existing and upcoming proton form factor data
 - X. Yan, D. Higinbotham *et al.*, arXiv:1803.01629: robust method of radius extraction discussed for the kinematic range of PRad experiment
 - T. Hayward, K. Griffioen, arXiv:1804.09150: re-examination of several low-Q2 data sets from *ep* scattering measurements result consistent with PSI value but with large uncertainty
 - M. Horbatsch and E. A. Hessels, arXiv:1509.05644: re-analysis of Mainz data, several simple fits for low Q² data, spline extension to high Q2 data – fits describe data well with extracted radius varies from 0.84 ~ 0.89 fm.
 - J. Arrington, arXiv:1506.00873: re-analysis of world data, found the previous scattering results might underestimate the uncertainty.
 - Distler, Walcher, and Bernauer, arXiv1511.00479 *All these studies emphasize even more the importance of low Q² e-p scattering data*

Proton Radius Puzzle



- CODATA recommended value
- Recent experimental results
 - Muonic hydrogen spectroscopy (Antognini, Pohl)
 - Ordinary hydrogen spectroscopy (Beyer, Fleurbaey)
 - Elastic ep-scattering measurements (Bernauer, Zhan)
 - Latest from York University on hydrogen spectroscopy (this week!) ¹⁵

Proton radius puzzle and deuteron also?

- Deuteron radius puzzle
 - Deuteron rms charge radius from muonic deuterium spectroscopy (R. Pohl et al., Science 353, 6300, 669, 2016)
 - 7.5σ smaller than the CODATA-2010 value, and 3.5σ smaller than the value from electronic deuterium spectroscopy (R. Pohl et al., Metrologia 54, L1, 2017)
 - Confirms proton radius puzzle
- Analysis of electron scattering data
 - Focusing on the low-q data yields a consistent result with CREMA's value K. Griffioen, C. Carlson, and S. Maddox. (Phy. Rev. C 93, 065207, 2016)
 D. Higinbotham, A.A. Kabir, V. Lin, D. Meekins, B. Norum, and B. Sawatzky. (Phys. Rev. C 93, 055207, 2016)
 M. Horbatsch and E.A. Hessels. (Phys. Rev. C 93, 015204, 2016)
 - However, I. Sick and D. Trautmann (Phys. Rev. C 95, 012501(R), 2017) claim that the above analyses led to a systematically smaller proton rms-radius because of the ignorance of the correlations from higher moments $< r^{2n} >$

Deuteron Charge Radius?

"Proton Charge Radius Puzzle" is still unsolved after seven years.

There is a newly developing "Deuteron Charge Radius Puzzle"

H/D isotope shift: Muonic deuterium: Electronic deuterium: $r_d^2 - r_p^2 = 3.82007(65) \text{ fm2}$ $r_d = 2.12562(13)_{exp}(77)_{theory} \text{ fm}$ $r_d = 2.14150(450) \text{ fm}$



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PRad Experimental Setup in Hall B at JLab



- High resolution, large acceptance, hybrid HyCal calorimeter (PbWO₄ and Pb-Glass)
- Windowless H₂ gas flow target
- Simultaneous detection of elastic and Moller electrons
- Q^2 range of $2x10^{-4} 0.14 \text{ GeV}^2$
- XY veto counters replaced by GEM detector (3) ISR experiments at Mainz
- Vacuum chamber

Spokespersons: D. Dutta, H. Gao, A. Gasparian, M. Khandaker

Sub 1% measurements:

- (1) ep elastic scattering at Jlab (PRad)
- (2) μp elastic scattering at PSI 16 U.S.

institutions! (MUSE)



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• vacuum tank pressure: 0.3 mTorr

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PRad Setup (Side View)



- Two large area GEM detectors
- Small overlap region in the middle
- Excellent position
 resolution (72 μm)
- Improve position resolution of the setup by > 20 times
- Similar improvement for Q² determination at small angle



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PRad Setup (Side View)



- Hybrid EM calorimeter (HyCal)
 - Inner 1156 PWO₄ modules
 - Outer 576 lead glass modules
- 5.8 m from the target
- Scattering angle coverage: ~0.6° to 7.5°
- Full azimuthal angle coverage
- High resolution and efficiency



Analysis – Event Selection

Event selection method

- For all events, require hit matching between GEMs and HyCal
- 2. For *ep* and *ee* events, apply angle dependent energy cut based on kinematics
 - 1. Cut size depend on local detector resolution
- 3. For *ee*, if requiring doublearm events, apply additional cuts
 - 1. Elasticity
 - 2. Co-planarity
 - 3. Vertex z

Cluster energy E' vs. scattering angle 0 (2.2GeV)



Extraction of *ep* Elastic Scattering Cross Section

• To reduce the systematic uncertainty, the ep cross section is normalized to the Møller cross section:

$$\left(\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma}{\mathrm{d}\Omega}\right)_{ep} = \left[\frac{N_{\mathrm{exp}}(ep \to ep \text{ in } \theta_i \pm \Delta \theta_i)}{N_{\mathrm{exp}}(ee \to ee)} \cdot \frac{\varepsilon_{\mathrm{geom}}^{ee}}{\varepsilon_{\mathrm{geom}}^{ep}} \cdot \frac{\varepsilon_{\mathrm{det}}^{ee}}{\varepsilon_{\mathrm{det}}^{ep}}\right] \left(\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma}{\mathrm{d}\Omega}\right)_{ee}$$

- Event generators for unpolarized elastic ep and Møller scatterings have been developed based on complete calculations of radiative corrections
 1. A. V. Gramolin et al., J. Phys. G Nucl. Part. Phys. 41(2014)115001
 2. I. Akushevich et al., Eur. Phys. J. A 51(2015)1 (fully beyond ultra relativistic approximation)
- A Geant4 simulation package is used to study the radiative effects:

$$\sigma_{ep}^{Born(exp)} = \left(\frac{\sigma_{ep}}{\sigma_{ee}}\right)^{exp} / \left(\frac{\sigma_{ep}}{\sigma_{ee}}\right)^{sim} \cdot \left(\frac{\sigma_{ep}}{\sigma_{ee}}\right)^{Born(model)} \cdot \sigma_{ee}^{Born(model)}$$

• Iterative procedure applied for radiative correction

Differential Cross Sections (Preliminary)

- Differential cross section v.s. Q², with 2.2 and 1.1 GeV data (preliminary)
- Statistical uncertainties at current stage: ~0.18% for 2GeV, ~0.3% for 1GeV per point
- Systematic uncertainties at current stage: 0.8% ~ 2.0% for 2GeV, 0.9% ~2.0% for 1GeV (shown as shadow area)



Form Factor G_E (Preliminary)



 Systematic uncertainties shown as colored error bars

 Preliminary G_E slope seems to favor smaller radius



Form Factor G_E (Preliminary)



Summary and outlook

- After several years, the proton charge radius remains puzzling, and perhaps also the deuteron charge radius
- PRad experiment had a successful data taking in May/June 2016
- PRad collaboration is making good progress in data analysis and preliminary form factor results (partial data) presented in April 2018
- Preliminary radius result is anticipated in the fall 2018 –Stay tuned!

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