Status and Prospects of the MUSE Project at PSI

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- Conclusion
 - There has been a trend, however we are not done yet



The New York Times

Charge radius definition & recent reviews

G. Miller, *Defining the Proton Radius: a Unified Treatment* Phys. Rev. C 99, 035202 (2019)

Proton = a rather light, relativistic, composite object Moment of rest charge distribution not probed by spectroscopy or scattering

Consistent, covariant treatment:

$$\langle r_E^2 \rangle = -6 \frac{dG_E^p(Q^2)}{dQ^2} \Big|_{Q^2 \to 0}$$

Recent reviews:

- W. Xiong and C. Peng, Proton Electric Charge Radius from Lepton Scattering, Universe 9, no.4, 182 (2023)
- H. Gao, M. Vanderhaeghen, *The proton charge radius,* Rev. Mod. Phys. 94, 015002 (2022)
- C. Peset, A. Pineda, and O. Tomalak, *The proton radius (puzzle?) and its relatives,* Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 121, 103901 (2021)
- J.-P. Karr, D. Marchand, E. Voutier, *The proton size,* Nature Reviews Physics 2, 601–614 (2020)

Lepton scattering and charge radius

Lepton scattering from a nucleon:



Vertex currents:

$$J_N^{\mu} = \overline{\psi}_N \left[F_1(Q^2) \gamma^{\mu} + F_2(Q^2) \frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_{\nu}}{2M_N} \right] \psi_N$$

 $J^{\mu}_{a} = -e\overline{u}_{e}\gamma^{\mu}u_{e}$

 F_1 , F_2 are the Dirac and Pauli form factors

Sachs form factors:

$$G_E(Q^2) = F_1(Q^2) - \tau F_2(Q^2)$$

$$G_M(Q^2) = F_1(Q^2) + F_2(Q^2)$$

Fourier transform (in the Breit frame) gives spatial charge and magnetization distributions

Derivative in $Q^2 \rightarrow 0$ limit:

$$\begin{array}{lll} \left\langle r_E^2 \right\rangle &=& -6 \frac{dG_E^p(Q^2)}{dQ^2} \Big|_{Q^2 \to 0} \\ \left\langle r_M^2 \right\rangle &=& -6 \frac{dG_M^p(Q^2)/\mu_p}{dQ^2} \Big|_{Q^2 \to 0} \end{array}$$

Expect identical behavior for any charged lepton – e[±], µ[±]

Atomic physics



Muonic hydrogen



Muonic hydrogen:

muon μ^- + proton p

muon mass $m_{\mu} \approx 200 \times m_e$ Bohr radius $r_{\mu} \approx 1/200 \times r_e$

 μ inside the proton: $200^3 \approx 10^7$



muon much is more sensitive to $r_{\rm p}$ Slide by R. Pohl

The proton radius puzzle in 2010/2013





Proton radius puzzle has drawn attention





The New York Times

The proton radius puzzle in 2016





A. Antognini et al., Science 339, 417 (2013)

There is also a deuteron radius puzzle



- Muonic deuterium agrees with muonic hydrogen w/ istope shift: R. Pohl et al., (CREMA) Science 353, 669 (2016)
- Electron scattering not (yet) conclusive \rightarrow Mainz, ULQ2, DRAD
- Muonic ⁴He agrees with electronic helium:
 - J. Krauth et al., Nature 589, 527 (2021)

The community got engaged

- Workshops and conferences 2012, 2016 ECT* 2014, 2018 Mainz 2019 Losinj 2022, 2023 PREN (Paris, Mainz)
- Special sessions of many other major conferences
- Re-analyses
- Theoretical efforts
- New experiments Spectroscopy Scattering

Possible resolutions to the puzzle

- The µp (spectroscopy) result is wrong Discussion about theory and proton structure for extracting the proton radius from muonic Lamb shift measurement
- The ep (spectroscopy) results are wrong Accuracy of individual Lamb shift measurements? Rydberg constant could be off by ~5 sigma
- The ep (scattering) results are wrong
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 Q² not low enough, structures in the form factors
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Off-shell proton in two-photon exchange leading to enhanced effects differing between μ and e Hadronic effects different for μp and ep: e.g. proton polarizability (*effect* $\propto m_i^4$)

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MUSE

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New, independent Rydberg measurement



Spectroscopy: Rydberg constant and proton radius are correlated

2024: Small Rydberg reconfirmed

Consistent w/ small radius

S. Scheidegger and F. Merkt, PRL 132, 113001 (2024) [March 11, 2024]

New milestone: Precision Lattice QCD



 $\sqrt{\langle r_E^2 \rangle^p} = 0.820(14) \text{ fm}, \sqrt{\langle r_M^2 \rangle^p} = 0.8111(89) \text{ fm}, \text{ and } \mu_M^p = 2.739(66)$

Consistent with small radius

D. Djukanovic, G. von Hippel, H.B. Meyer, K. Ottnad, M. Salg, and H. Wittig, PRL 132, 211901 (2024) [May 22, 2024]

The proton radius puzzle in 2023



Red	= μp spectroscopy
Blue	= ep scattering
Light blue	= re-fitting of e scattering
Green	= ep spectroscopy
Black	= CODATA

Plot: courtesy by J. Bernauer

Puzzle solved?

Cross sections and form factors of PRad are different – why?





Plot: courtesy by J. Bernauer

- Accuracy of radiative corrections?
- What did previous experiments do wrong?
- Which result is to be preferred, and why?
- Need independent checks and validations
 (→ ISR, ULQ2, MUSE, AMBER, PRad-II, MAGIX, …)

Ongoing and future scattering experiments²⁰

Experiment	Probe	Q ² / (GeV/c) ²	Status
PRad II	e	0.00004 - 0.06	Approved by JLab PAC, running in 2025
ULQ2	e⁻	0.0003 - 0.008	Commissioning 2019-22, running 2023-24
MAGIX	e	0.00001 - 0.03	Beam 2025, data on proton 2027
MUSE	e⁺,e⁻, μ⁺, μ⁻	0.002 - 0.07	Physics running 2023-25
AMBER	µ⁺, µ⁻	0.001 - 0.04	Test runs ongoing, physics run 2025

Thanks to: S. Schlimme, J. Friedrich, H. Gao, T. Suda, Y. Honda, and E. Downie

- Proton Radius Puzzle remains unresolved
- $\hfill Diverse array of scattering experiments, e and <math display="inline">\mu$
- Each with different beam / systematics; expected precision 0.004-0.010 fm
- Many further spectroscopy efforts underway



Motivation for µp scattering



Idea for MUSE developed by R. Gilman, G. Miller, and M.K. at PINAN2011, Morocco

πM1 / MUSE beamline



• πM1: 100-500 MeV/c RF+TOF sep. π, μ, e

Secondary beams of π, μ, e produced at M-target with 2 mA protons (590 MeV), 1-10 MHz flux collected with quads, jaws, and double-C

Point-like source

- π[±] produced directly
- e[±] from π⁰ decay + conv.

Extended source

μ[±] from π[±] decay in flight
 O(cm) transv., O(m) longit.

Beam properties well understood with TRANSPORT, TURTLE, and G4Beamline E. Cline et al., PRC105, 055201 (2022)

$\pi M1$ / MUSE beamline



MUSE at PSI

- Beam particle tracking
- Liquid hydrogen target
- Scattered lepton detected

Measure $e^{\pm}p$ and $\mu^{\pm}p$ elastic scattering p = 115, 160, 210 MeV/c $\theta = 20^{\circ}$ to 100° $Q^{2} = 0.002 - 0.07 (GeV/c)^{2}$ $\epsilon = 0.256 - 0.94$

Challenges

- Secondary beam with π background – PID in trigger
- Non-magnetic spectrometer
- Background from Møller scattering and muon decay in flight



R. Gilman's draft scribbling for the MUSE logo contest on the back of an envelope

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MUSE analysis status

- Preliminary analysis of scattering data at 115, 160, 210 MeV/c: Good agreement between data and simulation within blinding (all observed ratios agree to within 20%)
- Analysis and simulation framework established (Cooker, g4PSI): same reconstruction routines for data and pseudo data
 - Detector plugins: calibrated raw data
 - Multiple tracking methods
 - Higher-level analysis plugins
- In progress:
 - Calibrations, time-dependent
 - Alignment calibration, time-dependent
 → improve tracking and internal data consistency
 - Simulations: Radiative generators, digitization, trigger, PID, beam properties, theoretical modeling of xsec, ff, TPE, LU
 - Error propagation and systematic errors



Blinding of MUSE data and simulation Example Blinding Probability on Data



MUSE performance: Full vs empty



+210 MeV/c beam "Full" cell (Iq H₂) and "warm" cell (are the same cell) Cell wall structures due to aluminized mylar

Reaction identification



 β_{out} from reaction vertex to SPS, p = -115 MeV/c Clean separation of μp scattering vs μ beam decay-in-flight events

Muon beam decay events data vs sim



- *p* = + 115 MeV/c; left: vertex; right: reconstructed angle
- Good agreement between data and simulation for muon beam decay-in-flight events
- Both data and simulation are blinded



Muon scattering events data vs sim



- *p* = + 115 MeV/c; left: vertex; right: reconstructed angle
- Good agreement between data and simulation for muon scattering events
- Both data and simulation are blinded
- Similar findings for all data sets μ[±], e[±], π[±] @ 115, 160, 210 MeV/c



Preliminary cross sections at 160 MeV/c



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 $\sigma(r_e), \ \sigma(r_\mu) \approx 0.$

How different (truncation err Sensitivity to o radii:

 $\sigma(r_{e}-r_{\mu}) \approx 0.005$

Comparisons **negative** are systematics.

- Preliminary analysis of 2023 $\mu^{\pm}p$ scattering data
- p = 160 MeV/c, target thickness experimentally determined
- Both data and simulation are blinded



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Extraction of radius from muon scattering



- Dispersively improved chiral effective field theory:
 F. Gil-Domingez, J.M. Alarcón, C. Weiss, PRD 108, 074026 (2023)
- 0.01 fm radius change \rightarrow 0.9% cross sec. change at highest Q²
- Largest MUSE systematic: Radiative corrections for ep → ep

MUSE can probe radiative corrections



- MUSE non-magnetic, e[±] detection threshold affects radiative correction
- Initial state radiation (ISR): detect & veto hard forward γ to reduce radcorr err.



MUSE forward photon calorir

Normalized counts



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W. Lin et al. (MUSE Collaboration), arXiv:2408.13380 [physics.ins-det]

10²

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σ_{μ} / σ_{e}

 $\sigma_{e^-} / \sigma_{e^+}$

M.U.SE coverage and expected errors



- Stat. errors plotted, systematics <0.5%</p>
- Based on assumption of 1 year of running
- ~20% of scattering data taken in 2023
- Radius to 0.007 fm, R_{μ} – R_{e} to 0.005 fm





1.01

1.00

0.01

0.02

0.03 0.04 0.05 Q² (GeV²)

0.07

0.06

MUSE coverage and expected errors





- Anticipated form factor uncertainty
- E. Cline, et al.,

SciPost Phys. Proc. 5, 023 (2021)

2023-2025: MUSE production data taking

2016-2019: Assembly complete; Initial commissioning 2020-2022: Commissioning cont'd under initial Covid-19 constraints 2023: Started production data for 12 beam months over ~2 years





Year	LH2 (millions of events)	Empty (millions of events)	Total (millions of events)
2023	1,473.03	1,260.49	2,733.52
2024	2,259.24	1,556.74	3,815.98

- In 2023, MUSE started production data taking, anticipated for 12 beam months over 2 years
- MUSE aims for ~12 billion events, with a 60/40 split between LH2/Empty Cell scattering events
- Continued taking data in 2024
- Aim to finish 2025



MUon Scattering Experiment – MUSE

75 MUSE collaborators from 23 institutions in 5 countries:

A. Afanasev, A. Akmal, M. Ali, A. Atencio, J. Arrington, H. Atac, C. Ayerbe-Gayoso, F. Benmokhtar,
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Other MUSE publications

E.O. Cohen et al.,

Development of a scintillating-fiber beam detector for the MUSE experiment, NIM A

https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nima.2016.01.044

- P. Roy et al., A Liquid Hydrogen Target for the MUSE Experiment at PSI, NIM A <u>https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nima.2020.164801</u>
- T. Rostomyan et al., *Timing Detectors with SiPM read-out for the MUSE Experiment at PSI*, NIM A <u>https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nima.2019.162874</u>
- E.Cline, J. Bernauer, E.J. Downie, R. Gilman, MUSE: The MUon Scattering Experiment, Review of Particle Physics at PSI <u>https://doi.org/10.21468/SciPostPhysProc.5</u>
- E. Cline et al.,

Characterization of Muon and Electron Beams in the Paul Scherrer Institute PiM1 Channel for the MUSE Experiment PRC 105, 055201 (2022); arXiv: 2109.09508 https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevC.105.055201



Summary

- PRP not resolved after 14 years
- 2016-2019 trend favored smaller radius, resulting in CODA2018, supported by theory (most recent Lattice QCD)
- 2020-2022 trend not stringently reconfirming a small radius, tensions
- Unclear why larger radii should be considered wrong
- Phase space for BSM physics has been narrowed by work of many
- TPE exists but is too small to explain PRP
- PRad-Mainz discrepancy points to potential issues with radiative corrections
- Await results from new experiments within near future:
 - e-scattering w/o (PRad-II, MUSE), and w/ magn. field (ULQ2, MAGIX)
 - μ-scattering: smaller rad. corr., cleaner than e? (MUSE, AMBER)
- MUSE allows for comparison of ep and µp, as well as TPE for both
- Conclusion
 - There has been a trend, however we are not done yet



Backup



Thank you for a beautiful conference !