Measurement of the proton radius at A1 and MAGIX

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- large proton radius fraction -

The proton radius puzzle

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First A2 - TPC collaboration meeting

Mar. 9-10, 2020, Mainz, Germany

- previous A1 experiments
- **current A1 experiments**
- future MAGIX experiments

centered around this fancy device



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Elastic ep-scattering: e.m. form factors



Mainz Microtron (MAMI) - Electron Accelerator



The A1 setup



High resolution magnetic spectrometers



spectrometer A spectrometer B spectrometer C Kaos



Liquid hydrogen target

IVY

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Cross Section Determination



Corrections

- dead time
- detector efficiency
- radiative corrections

beneficial approach: compare spectrum to simulation including rad. corr. \rightarrow XS relative to the one used in simulation

 $\Delta E'$: measured - expected(elastic)

electron energy

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Proton form factors, radius



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Proton Radius Result 2010



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Extension of the program



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- Claim of community: need smaller Q^2 data $\langle r_E^2 \rangle = -6\hbar^2 \frac{\mathrm{d}G_E}{\mathrm{d}Q^2}$ [Bernauer et al.: > 0.004 (GeV/c)².]

- how to do that at MAMI?

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 $Q^2 = 0$

Initial State Radiation



Sophisticated simulation needed (FSR, ...)



Exploit information in radiative tail

- ISR: photon radiation takes energy out of electron → access to lower Q² at given scattering angle
- Allows investigating $G_{\rm E}$ at Q^2 down to 10⁻⁴ GeV²

Initial State Radiation





NLO virtual and real corrections included via effective corrections to cross-section

The ISR experiment



Performed at MAMI in 2013

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Results ISR 2013

Comparison data vs. simulation

- Simulation performed with Bernauer et al. parametrization of FFs
- A percent agreement
 ↔ radiative corrections well understood, even 200 MeV away from elastic peak!
- Existing apparatus limited reach to $E' \sim 130$ MeV
- Assuming flawless description of radiative corrections, FFs can be extracted



M. Mihovilovic et al., Phys. Lett. B 771 (2017) 194

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First measurement of $G_{\rm E}$ down to $Q^2 = 0.001~{
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 $r_{\rm E} = (0.836 \pm 0.017_{\rm stat.} \pm 0.057_{\rm syst.} \pm 0.003_{\rm mod.}) \text{ fm}$

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Results ISR 2013: radius



Diplomatic. Some improvement: arXiv:1905.11182 [nucl-ex]

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Honestly:



ISR - MVP

ISR - Mastermind

NOT EXACTLY THE DESIRED

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IMPROVE?

Common challenges elastic ep + ISR



Desirable: thin, point-like target without walls

- Background from target foils
 - empty cell measurements
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 - not for all settings ep experiment
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Shopping











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jet target installation at A1

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First tests 2017/2018







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1st commissioning beam time, Sept. 2017



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beam time, April 2018



since then: improve, repair, replace, improve,

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Collimator









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Actual data quality



still some background from catcher/nozzle at percent level

data with high gas flow: production data

data with low gas flow: background studies /subtraction

cosmics background: eventually significant for large angle settings

further reduce BG by veto detector inside scattering chamber, ...

Some upgrades (some complete)



→ TIME TO HARVEST

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Actual Experiment

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(2010)

al.

Bernauer et

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PRAD result \rightarrow

- start with 315 MeV
- continue with 195 MeV (not 180 MeV)

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(2010)

Bernauer et al.

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data quality might improve, but still not lower in \mathbf{Q}^2

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man on a mission,
with visions and dreams!



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MESA + experiments



MAGIX - multi-purpose experiment

high-resolution magnetic spectrometers

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physics program

- dark photon search
- q.e. and inelastic processes at very low mom. transfers
- test of effective field theories in light nuclei
- nuclear reactions of astrophysical relevance
- e.m. structure of atomic nuclei, including proton charge radius measurement



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MAGIX: Proton e.m. form factor measurements



- 20 105 MeV beam energy
- jet target \times 2 spectrometers
- up to 1000 µA beam current
 - uncertainties wil not be statistically limited
- down to 10^{-5} GeV²
 - \rightarrow proton radius!

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Summary ongoing/planned experiments

Extension of the pFF measurements to high Q^2

- data acquired, analysis ongoing
- main data set with specA
- MAMI-C energies
- \rightarrow improve knowledge of higher moments of
 - e./m. distribution of the proton \leftrightarrow fit models

Remeasurement of low Q^2 data with jet target

- data with specB
- luminosity monitoring with specA
- selected kinematics
 - 315 MeV, 195 MeV, ...
 - 15° ≈50°
- \rightarrow minimize systematic errors

Measurement of pFF data at MAGIX

- jet target \times 2 spectrometers
- 20 MeV 105 MeV
- 15° 160° (?)
- \rightarrow high-precision data at very low \mathbf{Q}^2

Thank you very much for your attention!

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