Update on CREMA's work towards the Proton Radius Puzzle

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Root of the Puzzle: the Proton Radius was shrunk 2009



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$$\begin{split} r_p^{\text{CODATA}} &= 0.88..\,\text{fm} \pm 0.8\% \\ &\downarrow \\ r_p^{\text{CREMA}} &= 0.84...\,\text{fm} \pm 0.04\% \end{split}$$

- ► 4 % smaller
- \blacktriangleright > 10 fold precision

[P. J. Mohr *et al.*, Rev. Mod. Phys. 80, 633-730 (2008)]
[R. Pohl *et al.* (CREMA-coll.), Nature 466, 213 (2010)]
[A. Antognini *et al.* (CREMA-coll.), Science 339, 417 (2013)]



Intro: The Lamb shift (2S-2P) in light muonic atoms



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- Bound system of one μ⁻ and a proton
 (or other light nuclei such as the deuteron, helion, α, ...)
- Muon lifetime $\tau_{\mu} = 2.2 \, \mu s$
- \blacktriangleright Probability to be *inside* the nucleus $200^3 = 10^7 \times {\rm higher}$



- Lamb shift $(\Delta E_{2S \rightarrow 2P}) \Rightarrow$ charge radius
- ▶ 2S & 2P hyperfine structure \Rightarrow Zemach radius
- Polarizablity of the nucleus
- Measure Lamb shift transitions between energy levels via laser spectroscopy











HIPA facility at the Paul Scherrer Institute erc Injektor 1 OPTIS 590 MeV PiM1 PiE1 PiMa Beamdump PIES PiM3.1 PiE5

- High Intensity Proton Accelerator
- ► ~ 2 mA of 590 MeV p⁺ are shot on a carbon target to create pions (PiE5 area)
- pions decay to muons
- muons are cooled/slowed down in a special beamline
- non-destructive muon detector provides trigger for laser
- ▶ µ[−] enter gas target (hydrogen, deuterium, ³He, or ⁴He)
- bound state is formed between light nucleus and one muon



- ▶ Superconducting cyclotron trap (CT \doteq magnetic bottle) releases low-energy μ^- to the muon extraction channel (MEC)
- μ^- enter the gas target within supercond. solenoid (SOL)
- Stacks of ultra-thin carbon foils (S1, S2) provide a trigger signal for the laser when a muon enters the target









Steps to extract nuclear properties from transition energy

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- Make sure systematics are under control
- Most systematics are below our measurement sensitivity
- ▶ We needed to check on *Quantum Interference*
- Use theory to extract charge radius from transition frequency
- What are the current state of the art theory term calculations?
- Summarize contributions from several different experts
- Data from hydrogen and deuterium published, helium-3 and helium-4 are underway

What is Quantum Interference (QI)? "Coherent excitation of multiple allowed excited states", a polarization & geometry dependent effect (vanishes in 4π)

[eg. E. Hessels, M. Horbatsch, PRA 82, 052519
 (2010); R. Brown *et al.*, PRA 87, 032504 (2013);
 and Refs therein]

- Investigations on QI in CREMA are published
- Compare point-like detector vs. acceptance angle of CREMA

[Amaro, Franke, et.al., PRA 92, 022514 (2015)]

n=2 levels in muonic deuterium, helium-3, and helium-4



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Proton and Deuteron radii



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Helion and alpha radii (VERY preliminary)



Remarks: alpha radius will be affected by ongoing work in the CREMA theory summary about to be resubmitted;

Isotope shift values from reevaluated theory in:

* Patkos et al., PRA 95 012508 (2017) ** Patkos et al., PRA 94 052508 (2016)

Outlook 'CREMA 3': 1S HFS spectroscopy μ H & μ^3 He⁺

1S – HFS spectroscopy

(see also [Adamczak et al. 2012 and 2016] (FAMU collaboration) and [Miyake et al., 2014] (J-PARC µH collaboration))

Hydrogen



$$\begin{split} \nu_{\rm exp} &= 1\,420\,405.751\,766\,7(10)\,\rm kHz\\ \nu_{\rm theo} &= 1\,420\,403.1(6)_{\rm proton\,size}(4)_{\rm pol}\,\rm kHz \end{split}$$

Muonic hydrogen



Experimental scheme



15 – HFS spectroscopy

Experimental scheme



Outlook 'CREMA 4': muonic Lithium...

- We aim to improve the current literature values for the nuclear charge radii of 6.7Li by about one order of magnitude.
- · Challanges: producing a dense target from a solid.
- · Our approach: using a compact hot vapor cell, which is embedded inside the 5 T solenoid of the low-energy muon beamline.
- · Additional energy reduction of the 2 keV muon beam is achieved via a pulsed drift tube.



Swainson et al., Phys. Rev. A 34 620 (1986)

Experimental proposal based on theory by Drake (1985) Swainson (1986) and Krutov (2016).

Planned experimental setup



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Outlook 'CREMA 4': ... and muonic Beryllium

Penning-trap assisted laser spectroscopy

- · We intend to use a cold beryllium ion crystal as a dense target.
- · Muon capture rate is strongly enhanced for low energies (below few eV).
- · First simulations suggest that this approach may be feasible.
- · Low muon stop rate further studies are required.
- · Test with antiprotons first.

Penning-Malmberg trap



Ion crystal - simulations



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