# Searching for new physics at *the precision frontier*. muon g-2

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# Spin

1925 Goudsmit and Uhlenbeck: Electron has spin  $\hbar/2$ . Pauli objects this can't explain atoms but Thomas points out there is an important relativistic correction



Uhlenbeck, Kramers and Goudsmit

http://www.lorentz.leidenuniv.nl/history/spin /goudsmit.html

Quantum Mechanics: To rotate to a new coordinate system:  $\psi_e' = \exp(-i\theta S/\hbar) \psi_e$ for  $\theta = 2\pi$ ,  $\psi_e' = -\psi_e$ . This explained the Pauli Exclusion Principle.

Heisenberg and Pauli



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I think you and Uhlenbeck have been very lucky to get your spinning electron published and talked about before Pauli heard of it. It appears that more than a year ago Kronig believed in the spinning election and worked out something; the first passon he showed it to was Pauli. Pauli ridiculed the whole thing so much that the first person become also the last and no one else heard anything of it. Which all goes to show that the infallibrity of the Derty does not extend to his self-styled vicar onearth.

Uhlenbeck, Kramers and Goudsmit

enberg and Pauli



Exclusion Pr Part of a letter by L.H. Thomas to Goudsmit (25 March 1926). Reproduced from a transparency shown by Goudsmit during his 1971 lecture. The original is presumably in the <u>Goudsmit archive</u> kept by the AIP Center for History of Physics.

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$$\mu = \frac{q}{T}\pi r^2 = \frac{q}{2\pi}\omega\pi r^2 = \frac{q}{2m}mr^2\omega$$

Magnetic moment  $\mu = g e S/2m$  (g == "g-factor") Dirac equation predicts g = 2 for a "point particle".

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Early days measurements:
Electron g = 2.00 \pm 0.02 (ok)
Proton g_p \sim 5; Neutron g_n \sim -4 ! What?
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Proton neutron explained in the 1960s by quark models:  $\mu_p / \mu_n = -3/2 \sim -1.46$ .



Electron magnetic moment anomaly,  $a_e = (g_e-2)/2$ :

1947:

- Lamb shift measured;
- Kusch, Foley measured electron a = 0.00119(5).
- Schwinger, Feynman, Dyson et al. develop Quantum Electrodynamics (QED) and obtain the correct answer.

# QED:

#### **Electron zitterbewegung**

trying to observe the motion of the electron in regions smaller than the Compton wavelength? Then you will observe pair production.





# Vacuum fluctuations: the

"vacuum" is rich and active; the smaller the region we look, the larger the energy of the fluctuations. By the way...

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$$\lambda = \frac{hc}{mc^2} = \frac{2\pi \quad 197.3}{0.511} \text{ fm} \approx 10^{-12} \text{ m}$$



Hans Dehmelt (from our department) got the Nobel prize for measuring  $a_e$  to 9 digits!





**Professor Dehmelt** 

 $\alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \frac{1}{\hbar c}$ 

Comparison to theory allows extraction of  $\alpha$  to 3 ppb

Some of the closeto-1000 Feynman diagrams that Kinoshita et al calculated...





Professor Kinoshita

### More recently Gabrielse et al. determined $a_e$ to 0.24 ppb ( $\alpha$ to 0.37 ppb)

PRL 100, 120801 (2008)

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## G

#### New Measurement of the Electron Magnetic Moment and the Fine Structure Constant

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A measurement using a one-electron quantum cyclotron gives the electron magnetic moment in Bohr magnetons,  $g/2 = 1.001\,159\,652\,180\,73\,(28)$  [0.28 ppt], with an uncertainty 2.7 and 15 times smaller than for previous measurements in 2006 and 1987. The electron is used as a magnetometer to allow line shape statistics to accumulate, and its spontaneous emission rate determines the correction for its interaction with a cylindrical trap cavity. The new measurement and QED theory determine the fine structure constant, with  $\alpha^{-1} = 137.035\,999\,084\,(51)$  [0.37 ppb], and an uncertainty 20 times smaller than for any independent determination of  $\alpha$ .



Is there a point to measuring with such precision?

YES: **searching for new physics** at *the precision frontier*. i.e. doing precision measurements of processes we can calculate well with the Standard Model.



Sensitivity to physics at higher energies grows as one probes the vacuum at smaller regions of space.

> $\lambda = \frac{hc}{mc^2}$  Compton wavelength: wavelength of a photon that has energy equal to mass of particle.

$$m_{\mu} \approx 200 \, m_e \quad \Longrightarrow \lambda_e \approx 200 \, \lambda_{\mu}$$



- μ Muon probes a
  - smaller region of space.

**Conclusion:** muon probes vacuum fluctuations with 200 times the energy of those probed by electron.

 $a_{\mu} = (g - 2)/2$  is non-zero because of virtual loops, which can be calculated precisely



The "g-2 test": Compare experiment to theory. Is SM complete?

$$\delta a_{\mu}^{NewPhysics} = a_{\mu}^{Expt.} - a_{\mu}^{Theory}$$



The New Muon g-2 Experiment at Fermilab g-2 collaboration (D. Hertzog and L. Roberts, spokepersons)



# SUSY contribution to $a_{\mu}$ :

$$a_{\mu}(\text{SUSY}) \simeq (\text{sgn}_{\mu}) 130 \times 10^{-11} \tan \beta \left(\frac{100 \text{ GeV}}{\tilde{m}}\right)^{2}$$
  
difficult to measure at LHC



How can one measure g-2?

(1) Polarized muons~97% polarized for forward decays

(2) Precession proportional to (g-2)

- (3)  $P_m$  magic momentum = 3.094 GeV/c *E* field doesn't affect muon spin when  $\gamma$  = 29.3
- (4) Parity violation in the decay gives average spin direction









# The anomaly is obtained from three well-measured quantities



# Polarized muons delivered and stored in the ring at the magic momentum, 3.094 GeV/c



# Detectors



An "event" is an isolated positron above a threshold.





# **Basic unit to measure B field is NMR probe**





# Magnetic moment in magnetic field

$$\frac{d\vec{M}}{dt} = \gamma \ \vec{M} \times \vec{B} \qquad \vec{M} = \gamma \ \vec{J}$$

In a frame rotating with freq.  $\omega$ :  $\frac{d\vec{M}}{dt} = \frac{\partial\vec{M}}{\partial t} + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{M}$   $\frac{\partial\vec{M}}{\partial t} = \gamma \vec{M} \times (\vec{B} + \frac{\vec{\omega}}{\gamma})$ 

$$\vec{B}_e = \vec{B} + \frac{\vec{\omega}}{\gamma}$$







In S' motion is precession around  $B_e$  with angular velocity  $a = -\gamma B_e$ 



# Angle between M and $B_o$

# $\vec{B}_{e}$ $\theta$ $\vec{M}$

**Show Mathematica animations** 

# Field is measured with "Trolley"



- Distortion of trolley on field is very small !
- Low power consumption (on average P < 1 W) !</p>

# 17 NMR probes on the trolley



Figure 1: The positions of the trolley probes



Problem: temperature fluctuations result in variations at the level of 10 ppm. About 400 fixed NMR probes around the magnet will monitor these variations.



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# NMR Magnet Calibration Probes and Electronics

Will manufacture new fixed probes and refurbish the pulsed NMR electronics needed to determine  $\omega_{\rm p}$ 



Triage and Repairs of Fixed Probes



1.45 T CENPA test magnet



Proton Free Induction Decay









Electronics to be refurbished, rebuilt or replaced

# Field will be measured to 70 parts per billion!



We need to measure magnetic field where the muons are

# Moving the storage ring has begun





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## Honk If You Love Muons: 3,200 Mile Road Trip Planned For Muon G-2 Storage Ring

If you're driving from New York to Illinois this summer and you find yourself getting really annoyed because you're crawling behind a slow truck with an oversize load, check out that load.



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Design of new building for new g-2 experiment at FNAL.





FNAL, April 18 2014



Bottom of magnet yoke being assembled at FNAL, June 26 2014

The end

