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Understanding the proton radius puzzle: Nuclear structure corrections in light muonic atoms



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The Proton Charge Radius



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How Small is the Proton?



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Origin of the discrepancy?

• Experimental results may be wrong:

"Multiple independent electron-proton experiments agree, and the muonic hydrogen experiment looks more convincing than any of the electron-proton experiments" Pohl, Gilman, Miller, Pachucki, Ann.Rev.Nucl.Part.Sci. 63 (2013)

Electron scattering experiments are done at finite Q², maybe not small enough

Dispersion analysis: global fit of n and p give r_p = 0.84(1) with $\chi^2 \approx 2.2$

Lorenz, Hammer, Meissner, EPJA (2012)

Exotic hadronic structures?

Birse, McGovern EPJA (2012) vs Miller PLB (2013)

• New physics beyond standard model?

New force carrier, e.g. dark photon, that couples differently with e and μ Yavin, Pospelov, Carlson etc...

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New Experiments to Shed Light on the Puzzle

Higher precision electron scattering experiments
 Q² from 10⁻⁴ GeV² to 10⁻² GeV²

• MUSE collaboration (2016) measure $e^{\pm}p$ and $\mu^{\pm}p$ to reduce systematic errors









Extracting the radius from measurements requires theoretical input

$$\Delta E^{2S-2P} = \delta_{QED} + \delta_{pol} + \frac{m_r^3}{12} (Z\alpha)^4 \langle r^2 \rangle - \frac{m_r^4}{24} (Z\alpha)^5 \langle r^3 \rangle_{(2)}$$

in a $\,Z\alpha\,$ expansion up to 5^{\rm th} order

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QED corrections

vacuum polarizations lepton self energy relativistic recoil



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Inelastic corrections: nuclear polarization δ_{pol}

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Stronger Coulomb - reduced energy

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The distorted charge distribution follows the orbiting μ like a "tide"

Nuclear response function
$$S_{\hat{O}}(\omega) = \frac{1}{2j_0+1} \sum_{N \neq N_0, J} |\langle N_0 J_0 || \hat{O} || N J \rangle |^2 \delta(\omega - E_N + E_0)$$

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The Muonic Atom System

$$H = H_N + H_\mu + \Delta V$$

$$H_{\mu} = \frac{p^2}{2m_r} - \frac{Z\alpha}{r}$$



Perturbative potential: correction to the bulk Coulomb

$$\Delta V = \sum_{a}^{Z} \alpha \left(\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{|\vec{r} - \vec{R}_{a}|} \right)$$

Using perturbation theory at second order one obtains the expression for δ_{pol} up to order $(Z\alpha)^5$



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Contributions to δ_{pol}

Non relativistic terms

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- Take non-relativistic kinetic energy in muon propagator
- Neglect Coulomb force in the intermediate state
- Expand the muon matrix elements in $\sqrt{2m_r\omega}|{m R}-{m R}'|$



 \star |R - R'| "virtual" distance traveled by the proton between the two-photon exchange

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Contributions to δ_{pol}

Non relativistic terms

 $\star~\delta^{(0)} \propto |oldsymbol{R}-oldsymbol{R}'|^2$

dominant term, related to the energy-weighted integral of the dipole response function

$$\delta_{D1}^{(0)} = -\frac{2\pi m_r^3}{9} (Z\alpha)^5 \int_{\omega_{\rm th}}^{\infty} d\omega \sqrt{\frac{2m_r}{\omega}} S_{D_1}(\omega)$$

 $\star~\delta^{(1)} \propto |oldsymbol{R}-oldsymbol{R}'|^3$

contains a part that cancels the Zemach moment elastic contribution

cf. Pachucki (2011) Friar (2013)

 $\star~\delta^{(2)} \propto |m{R} - m{R}'|^4$

leads to energy-weighted integrals of three different response functions $S_{R^2}(\omega), S_O(\omega), S_{D1D3}(\omega)$

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Contributions to δ_{pol}

Relativistic terms

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- Take the relativistic kinetic energy in muon propagator
- Separate in longitudinal and transverse term
- Related to the dipole response function

$$\delta_{L(T)}^{(0)} = \frac{2m_r^3}{9} (Z\alpha)^5 \int_{\omega_{\rm th}}^{\infty} d\omega \, K_{L(T)} \left(\frac{\omega}{m_r}\right) \, S_{D_1}(\omega)$$

Coulomb term

- Consider the Coulomb force in the intermediate states
- Naively it is a $\delta_C^{(0)} \sim (Z\alpha)^6$ corrections, but actually logarithmically enhanced

$$\delta_C^{(0)} \sim (Z\alpha)^5 \log(Z\alpha)$$

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Friar (1977), Pachucki (2011)
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Related to the dipole response function

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Finite Nucleon Size Corrections

• In point nucleon limit ΔV

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it $\Delta V = -\alpha \sum_{i}^{Z} \frac{1}{|\boldsymbol{r} - \boldsymbol{R}_i|}$



• Consider finite nucleon size by including charge distributions

$$\Delta V = -\alpha \sum_{i}^{Z} \int d\mathbf{R}' \, \frac{n_p(\mathbf{R}' - \mathbf{R}_i)}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}'|} - \alpha \sum_{j}^{N} \int d\mathbf{R}' \, \frac{n_n(\mathbf{R}' - \mathbf{R}_j)}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{R}'|}$$

• Low-q approximation of the nucleon form factors

$$\begin{split} G_p^E(q) &\simeq 1 - \frac{\langle r_p^2 \rangle}{6} q^2 \\ G_n^E(q) &\simeq -\frac{\langle r_n^2 \rangle}{6} q^2 \end{split}$$

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Nuclear Polarizability Corrections

The accuracy of the extracted radius depends on the accuracy of the nuclear polarizability

$$\Delta E^{2S-2P} = \delta_{QED} + \delta_{pol} + \frac{m_r^3}{12} (Z\alpha)^4 \langle r^2 \rangle - \frac{m_r^4}{24} (Z\alpha)^5 \langle r^3 \rangle_{(2)}$$

• Experimental requirement δ_{pol} must be known with 5% accuracy

To estimate the nuclear polarizability one needs information on the excitations of the nucleus — nuclear response function

• Theoretically calculate it

• Extract it from data

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Previous Work

• Simple potential models

µ-¹²C (Square-well) Rosenfelder '83

µ-D (Yamaguchi) Lu & Rosenfelder '93

• From experimental photo-absorption cross section

 μ -⁴He Bernabeu & Karlskog '74; Rinker'76; Friar '77 $\delta_{pol} = -3.1 \text{ meV} \pm 20\%$ μ -D Carlson, Gorchtein, Vanderhagen 2014 7% Uncertainty

Zero-range expansion (pion-less EFT)
 μ-D Friar 2013 Accuracy roughly estimated ~ 2%



 µ-D (AV14) Leidemann & Rosenfelder '95 (AV18) Pachucki 2011



Ab-initio calculations of the nuclear polarization with stateof-the-art potentials

Accuracy < 2% or less

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Ab-initio Theory Tools





Traditional Potentials





Chiral EFT Potentials



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Lorentz Integral Transform Method

Efros, et al., JPG.: Nucl.Part.Phys. 34 (2007) R459

Reduce the continuum problem to a bound-state problem

$$S(\omega) = \sum_{f} \left| \left\langle \psi_{f} \left| J^{\mu} \right| \psi_{0} \right\rangle \right|^{2} \delta(E_{f} - E_{0} - \omega)$$
$$L(\sigma, \Gamma) = \int d\omega \frac{S(\omega)}{(\omega - \sigma)^{2} + \Gamma^{2}} = \left\langle \tilde{\psi} \right| \tilde{\psi} \right\rangle < \infty$$



where
$$\left| ilde{\psi}
ight
angle$$
 is obtained solving

$$(H - E_0 - \boldsymbol{\sigma} + i\boldsymbol{\Gamma})|\tilde{\Psi}\rangle = J^{\mu}|\Psi_0\rangle$$

- Due to imaginary part Γ the solution $| ilde{\psi}
 angle$ is unique
- Since $\langle \tilde{\psi} | \tilde{\psi} \rangle$ is finite, $| \tilde{\psi} \rangle$ has bound state asymptotic behaviour



$$L(\sigma,\Gamma) \xrightarrow{\text{inversion}} S(\omega)$$

The exact final state interaction is included in the continuum rigorously!



Hyperspherical Harmonics

 $|\psi(\vec{r}_1, \vec{r}_2, \dots, \vec{r}_A)\rangle = |\varphi(\vec{R}_{CM})\Psi(\vec{\eta}_1, \vec{\eta}_2, \dots, \vec{\eta}_{A-1})\rangle$



Recursive definition of hyper-spherical coordinates

$$\rho, \Omega \qquad \rho^2 = \sum_{i=1}^A r_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{A-1} \eta_i^2$$

$$\Psi = \sum_{[K],\nu}^{K_{max},\nu_{max}} c_{\nu}^{[K]} e^{-\rho/2} \rho^{n/2} L_{\nu}^{n}(\frac{\rho}{b}) [\mathcal{Y}_{[K]}^{\mu}(\Omega) \chi_{ST}^{\bar{\mu}}]_{JT}^{a}$$

In nuclear physics we are able to use HH for A up to 6 and 7 Antisymmetrization by Barnea and Novoselsky (1998)

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Theory can be more precise than experiment

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Nuclear Polarizability Corrections in $\mu^4 { m He}^+$

We performed the first ab-initio calculations of the nuclear polarizability corrections in muonic Helium

Ji, Nevo Dinur, S.B. and Barnea, PRL 111, 143402 (2013)

Few-body methods: Lorenz Integral Transform method Hyperspherical Harmonics expansion

Hamiltonians:

AV18+UIX and EFT NN(N3LO)+3N(N2LO) (C_D =1 and C_E =-0.029) We used the difference from the two Hamiltonians to estimate the uncertainty in nuclear physics

Lanczos algorithm: the nuclear polarization is like an energy-dependent sum rule δ This can be calculated directly without first obtaining the response function and the convergence is fast if $g(\omega)$ is smooth

$$\delta_{\hat{O}} \propto \int_{\omega_{th}}^{\infty} g(\omega) S_{\hat{O}}(\omega) d\omega$$

Nevo Dinur, Ji, S.B. and Barnea, arXiv:1403.7651

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Nuclear Polarizability Corrections in $\mu^4 { m He}^+$

[meV]	AV18/UIX	χEFT^*	
$\delta^{(0)}$	-3.743	-3.981	
$\delta^{(1)}$	0.741	0.809	
$\delta^{(2)}$	0.077	0.101	
δ_{NS}	0.517	0.530	
δ_{pol}	-2.408		

- Systematic convergence from $\delta^{(0)}$ to $~\delta^{(2)}$

• The difference between the two potentials for $\delta_{pol}\,$ is 5.5%

• Uncertainty from nuclear physics

$$\frac{5.5\%}{\sqrt{2}} \to \pm 4\%$$

★ C_D=1 and C_E=-0.029

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The work is not yet finished ...



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Nuclear Polarizability Corrections in $\mu^4 { m He}^+$

Numerical accuracy — HH expansion



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Nuclear Polarizability Corrections in $\mu^4{ m He}^+$

Atomic Physics Uncertainty



- \rightarrow $(Z\alpha)^6$ effects (beyond second order perturbation theory)
 - Relativistic and Coulomb effects to multipoles other than dipole
 - Higher order nuclear size effects

Combined they give an additional 3-4 %

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Nuclear Polarizability Corrections in $\mu^4{ m He}^+$

Error Budget

Nuclear Physics	4%
Numerical Accuracy	0.4%
Atomic Physics	4%
Total	6%

• Dramatic improvement from pervious work based on experimental data

Bernabeu & Karlskog '74; Rinker'76; Friar '77 $\delta_{pol} = -3.1 \, \mathrm{meV} \pm 20\%$

• We almost meet the experimental requirement (5% accuracy)

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Possible Refinements

To further understand the uncertainty in nuclear physics

- Use chiral EFT at different orders to track the convergence
- At a fixed order vary the cutoff to assess the theoretical error Epelbaum, Gloeckle, Meissner, NPA (2005)

We will first apply this analysis to μD

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lphaTRIUMF Nuclear Polarizability Corrections in μD

Previous Work

PRL 106, 193007 (2011)

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Nuclear Structure Corrections in Muonic Deuterium

Krzysztof Pachucki Faculty of Physics, University of Warsaw, Hota 69, 00-681 Warsaw, Poland (Received 16 February 2011; published 13 May 2011)

correction	value in meV		
$\delta_0 E$	1.910		
$\delta_{C1}E$	-0.255		
$\delta_{C2}E$	-0.006		
$\delta_R E$	-0.035		
$\delta_{Q0}E$	-0.045		
$\delta_{Q1}E$	0.151		
$\delta_{Q2}E$	-0.066		
$\delta_M E$	-0.016		
$\delta_P E$	0.043(3)		
ΔE	1.680(16)		

with AV18 total error very small and mostly coming from atomic physics

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Nuclear Polarizability Corrections in μD

with Javier Hernandez



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RIUMF Nuclear Polarizability Corrections in μD with Javier Hernandez

• Magnetic correction

$$\delta_M = \frac{1}{3} m_r^3 \alpha^5 \left(\frac{g_p - g_n}{4m_p}\right)^2 \int_{\omega_{\rm th}}^{\infty} d\omega \sqrt{\frac{\omega}{2m_r}} S_{M1}(\omega)$$

• MEC are important in magnetic transitions $S_{M1} \rightarrow \langle \psi_f | \mathbf{j} \times \mathbf{q} | \psi_0 \rangle$

Operator	LO	NLO	N2LO	N3LO	N4LO
j	IA-NR	OPE	IA-RC	OPE	
				TPE	
				CT	
ρ	IA-NR		IA-RC	OPE	TPE

Appearance of two-body currents in Chiral EFT



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$^{\mbox{\ensuremath{\mathcal{R}}}_{ extsf{relumf}}}$ Nuclear Polarizability Corrections in μD

Hernandez, Ji, S.B., Nevo-Dinur, Barnea, in preparation

Error Budget



- More solid estimate of the total error, that includes the nuclear physics error
- More accurate than evaluation based on experimental data µ- D Carlson, Gorchtein, Vanderhagen (2014) 7% Uncertainty

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Conclusions and Outlook

• Lamb shifts in muonic atoms

- ★ Raise interesting questions about lepton symmetry
- Connect nuclear, atomic and particle physics

μ⁴He⁺

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- \star We have performed the first ab-initio calculation obtaining $\,\delta_{pol}=-2.47{
 m meV}\pm6\%$
- * Much more accurate than earlier estimates based on experimental data

• μD

- ★ Based on EFT expansion we provide more solid estimates of uncertainty
- Much more accurate than estimates based on experimental data

Our calculations are key to the charge radius extractions of the CREMA experiment

Future

- * Investigate $\mu^3 He^+$
- Narrow uncertainty in nuclear physics (including MEC, higher order chiral forces, explore correlations of observables)

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