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The Proton Radius Puzzle: Are We Still Puzzled?

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Nature 466, 213 (2010)

New value from exotic atom trims radius by four per cent

OIL SPILLS There's more to come PLAGIARISM It's worse than you think CHIMPANZEES The battle for survival

Discrepancy between radius measured with electrons and muons



The New York Times

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The Proton Radius Puzzle (2013)

$$R^{2} = -6 \left. \frac{dG_{e}(q^{2})}{dq^{2}} \right|_{q=0}$$

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For details see: The Proton Radius, Losinj (2019) https://indico.cern.ch/event/806319/

How to resolve the PRP?



OfD ations? Different radius in scat & spect3 Two photon-effects? New physics? week ending 11 SEPTEMBER 2015 PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS PRL 115, 111803 (2015) Ś Experimental error? Extraction of Extraction of radius from radius from scattering? Measurement of the Ratio of Branching Fractions $\mathcal{B}(\bar{B}^0 \to D^{*+} \tau^- \bar{\nu}_{\tau}) / \mathcal{B}(\bar{B}^0 \to D^{*+} \mu^- \bar{\nu}_{\mu})$ R. Aaij et al.* Universality 2 (LHCb Collaboration) (Received 30 June 2015; published 9 September 2015; corrected 14 September 2015) The branching fraction ratio $\mathcal{R}(D^*) \equiv \mathcal{B}(\bar{B}^0 \to D^{*+} \tau^- \bar{\nu}_{\tau}) / \mathcal{B}(\bar{B}^0 \to D^{*+} \mu^- \bar{\nu}_{\mu})$ is measured using a sample of proton-proton collision data corresponding to 3.0 fb⁻¹ of integrated luminosity recorded by the LHCb experiment during 2011 and 2012. The tau lepton is identified in the decay mode $\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \bar{\nu}_{,\nu} \nu_{\tau}$. The semitauonic decay is sensitive to contributions from non-standard-model particles that preferentially couple to the third generation of fermions, in particular, Higgs-like charged scalars. A multidimensional fit to kinematic distributions of the candidate \bar{B}^0 decays gives $\mathcal{R}(D^*) = 0.336 \pm 0.027(\text{stat}) \pm 0.030(\text{syst})$. This result, which is the first measurement of this quantity at a hadron collider, is 2.1 standard deviations larger than the value expected from lepton universality in the standard model. DOI: 10.1103/PhysRevLett.115.111803 PACS numbers: 13.20.He, 14.80.Fd Hints at lepton non-universality in \overline{B}^0 decays (2015)

How to resolve the PRP?



How to resolve the PRP?



- Muonic deuterium agrees with muonic hydrogen: Pohl *et al.,* (CREMA) Science 353 (2016) 669
- Muonic 4He agrees with electronic helium: Krauth *et al.*, Nature **589**, 527 (2021)
- A Z=1 problem!
- Many new results on hydrogen

Muonic atom spectroscopy: a Z=1 Problem

MPQ Result 2S – 4P

Beyer *et al.* Science **358**, 79-85 (2017) 6 October 2017

Spectroscopy: 2S-4P



Orsay Result 1S – 3S

Fleurbaey *et al.,* Phys. Rev. Lett. **120**, 183001 (2018)



Spectroscopy: 1S – 3S



York Result 2S – 2P (Lamb Shift)

Bezginov *et al.,* Science **365**, 1007–1012 (2019)

No involvement of Rydberg



Spectroscopy: 2S – 2P, Rydberg Independent

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MPI Garching Result 2S – 3S

Grinin *et al.,* Science **370**, 1061–1066 (2020)



Spectroscopy: 2S – 3S

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Spectroscopy: 2S – 8D





 $Q^2 = Q_0^2$

(Born-i)



FIG. 3. (Color on-line) The proton electric form factor as a function of $Q^2 (= Q^2_{Out})$. Empty black points show previous data [19–22]. The results of this experiment are shown with full red circles. The error bars show statistical uncertainties. Gray structures at the bottom shows the systematic uncertainties for the three energy settings. The curve corresponds to a polynomial fit to the data defined by Eq. (2). The inner and the outer bands around the fit show its uncertainties, caused by the statistical and systematic uncertainties of the data, respectively.

- Result: $r_p = (0.810 \pm 0.035 \text{ stat.} \pm 0.074 \text{ syst.} \pm 0.003 \Delta a \Delta b) \text{fm}$, not precise enough to differentiate
- Re-analysed 2021: r_p=(0.878 ±0.011 stat. ±0.031 syst. ±0.002 mod.)fm
- New experiment with jet target (and MESA) planned

 $Q^2 = Q_0^2$

(Born-f)

Scattering: Mainz Initial State Radiation

PRad Result Electron Scattering

Xiong *et al.*, Nature **575**, 147 - 150 (2019)



Scattering: PRad @ JLab







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Comparison of PRad & Mainz





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Eite Tiesinga et al.: CODATA recon

The tension between the two approaches determining r_p and r_d has not been fully resolved. In fact, to obtain consistency among the many input data that contribute to the determination of R_{∞} , r_p , and r_d , a multiplicative expansion factor of 1.6 is applied to their uncertainties. Further experiments are needed.

CODATA inflate uncertainties by 1.6 and say that further experiments are needed. (2021)

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the muonic hydrogen results. We believe more experiments, especially those with improved precision from electron scattering, and new results from muon scattering will be essential to fully resolve this puzzle. To answer a more provocative question, whether there is a difference in the proton charge radius determined from experiments involving electronic (e-p) and ordinary tems, significantly improved r The proton charge radius and also measurements from o H. Gao with precision comparable to 1 be critical. Pushing the precisi M. Vanderhaeghen proven to be the harbinger of

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- Improvements for PRad-II:
 - Better upstream vacuum and halo rejection
 - Add second GEM plane
 - ✓ Upgrade HyCal: PbW0₄, FADC readout
 - Added scintillators: separate Moller from ep in elect. scattering angular range of 0.5° - 0.8°
 - ✓ Factor of 4 reduction in statistical uncertainties





Hydrogen



PRad II @ JLab

GEM-µRWELL

GEM-µRWELL



H. Gao: ERICE School on Nuclear Physics, September 18th, 2023

PRadius PRad II @ JLab



First beam on solid target: 2025





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MAGIX info: S. Schlimme

MAGIX Collaboration @ MESA

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AMBER info: J. Friedrich



2018: First measurement H_2 TPC in high energy μ beam **2021:** First test run with IKAR TPC and existing tracking detectors from COMPASS

2023: Test run with new free-running DAQ2024: Test run with IKAR TPC and UTS prototypes2025: Physics run with new TPC and final UTS



- MUSE in PiM1 beamline of Paul Scherrer Institute (mixed $\mu/e/p$ beam)
- Allows direct comparison of µ and e, cross sections, form factors
- Comparison of charge states, μ^+/μ^- , e^+/e^- , two photon effects
- Extraction of radii using e and $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ in same experiment





 $\theta \approx 20^{\circ} - 100^{\circ}$ $Q^2 \approx 0.002 - 0.07 \text{ GeV}^2$ 3.3 MHz total beam flux $\approx 2-15\% \mu$'s $\approx 10-98\% \text{ e's}$ $\approx 0-80\% \pi$'s

- Low beam flux
 - ✓ Large angle, non-magnetic detectors
- Secondary beam
 - ✓ Tracking of beam particles to target
- Mixed beam
 - ✓ Identification of beam particle in trigger









MUSE









- Anticipated form factor uncertainty
- E. Cline, *et al.*, SciPost Phys. Proc. 5, 023 (2021)



Anticipated Results







- Currently taking production data (2022 – 2025)
- MUSE only experiment measuring with e and µ in same experiment
- MUSE accesses both charge states
- Cancellation of uncertainties gives $\sigma(r_e - r_u) \cong 0.005 \text{ fm}$



Anticipated Results



Experiment	e / µ	Q ² (GeV/c) ²	Status
AMBER	μ⁺, μ⁻	0.001 - 0.04	Test runs ongoing, physics run 2025
MAGIX	e⁻	0.00001-0.03	Beam 2025, data on proton 2027
MUSE	e⁺,e⁻, μ⁺, μ⁻	0.002 - 0.07	Physics running, unblinding 2025/6
PRad II	e⁻	0.00004 - 0.06	Approved by JLab PAC

- Proton Radius Puzzle remains unresolved
- Vibrant array of scattering experiments, e and μ
- Each with different beam / systematics
- Many spectroscopy efforts underway!

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Conclusion PR







