Measurement of Lepton-Lepton Electroweak Reaction MOLLER

Physics Motivation & Experimental Strategy

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Outline

- Global Physics Context
- MOLLER Goal and Physics Impact
- Experimental Technique
 - High flux parity experiments
 - MOLLER Design Choices
 - Technical Challenges/Requirements
 - Statistical and Systematic Errors

Worldwide Experimental Thrust in
the 2010s: New Physics SearchesCompelling arguments for "New Dynamics" at the TeV ScaleA comprehensive search for clues requires:Large Hadron Collideras well asLower Energy: Q2 << M_Z2Nuclear/Atomic systems address several topics; complement the LHC:

- Neutrino mass and mixing $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay, θ_{13} , β decay, long baseline neutrino expts
- Rare or Forbidden Processes EDMs, charged LFV, $0v\beta\beta$ decay
- Dark Matter Searches
- Low Energy Precision Electroweak Measurements:

Complementary signatures to augment LHC new physics signals

- Neutrons: Lifetime, Asymmetries (LANSCE, NIST, SNS...)
- **Muons:** Lifetime, Michel parameters, g-2 (BNL, PSI, TRIUMF, FNAL, J-PARC...)
- Parity-Violating Electron Scattering Low energy weak neutral current couplings, precision weak mixing angle (SLAC, JLab)

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Comprehensive Search for New Neutral Current Interactions

Important component of indirect signatures of "new physics"

Many new physics models give rise to non-zero Λ 's at the TeV scale: Heavy Z's, compositeness, extra dimensions...

One goal of neutral current measurements at low energy AND colliders: Access $\Lambda > 10$ TeV for as many f_1f_2 and L,R combinations as possible

LEPII, Tevatron access scales Λ 's ~ 10 TeV

e.g. Tevatron dilepton spectra, fermion pair production at LEPII

- L,R combinations accessed are parity-conserving

LEPI, SLC, LEPII & HERA accessed some parity-violating combinations but precision dominated by Z resonance measurements: ~ few TeV sensitivity January 14, 2010 Physics Motivation & Experimental Strategy

Colliders vs Low Q²



Consider known weak neutral current interactions mediated by Z Bosons

$$\frac{\delta A_{Z}}{A_{Z}} \propto \frac{\pi/\Lambda^{2}}{g G_{F}} \longrightarrow \qquad \delta(g)/g \sim 0.1 \\ \Lambda \sim 10 \ TeV \qquad \qquad \frac{\delta(sin^{2} \theta_{W})}{sin^{2} \theta_{W}} \leq 0.01$$

Window of opportunity for weak neutral current measurements at $Q^2 << M_Z^2$

Processes with potential sensitivity:

- neutrino-nucleon deep inelastic scattering NuTeV at Fermilab
- Atomic parity violation (APV) ¹³³Cs at Boulder
- parity-violating electron scattering

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- Semi-leptonic: APV (e-q) (atomic theory) & NuTeV (ν -q) (hadronic physics)
- Important, complementary limits on new contact interactions
- Future measurements search for new contact interactions
 - Qweak (e-q), PVDIS (e-q) and MOLLER (e-e)
 - e-q measurements will further expand contact interaction reach
 - MOLLER, in addition, could potentially impact the central value of the sin² heta w and its

implications for m_H

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EW Physics at One-Loop

Three fundamental inputs needed: α_{em} , G_F and M_Z Other experimental observables predicted at 0.1% level: sensitive to heavy particles via higher order quantum corrections 4th and 5th best measured parameters: $sin^2\theta_W$ and M_W



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The moment one adds "new physics" (e.g. LHC anomaly), sin²θ_W becomes processdependent (initial and final state fermion type), and Q^2 dependent

Proposed A_{PV} measures purely the e-Z couplings at a different energy scale



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 $A_{LR}(had)$ measures purely the e-Z couplings



Contact Interaction Reach

If new contact interactions are to be folded in with the Standard Model processes, disentangling them requires several measurements of different processes off the Z resonance

Best current limits on 4-electron contact interactions: LEPII at 200 GeV
(Average of all 4 LEP experiments) Λ (Average of all 4 LEP experiments) $\sqrt{|\mathbf{g}_{RR}^2 + \mathbf{g}_{LL}^2|} = 4.4 \text{ TeV}$ OR $\frac{\Lambda}{\mathbf{g}_{RL}} = 5.2 \text{ TeV}$ insensitive to $|\mathbf{g}_{RR}^2 - \mathbf{g}_{LL}^2|$ insensitive to $|\mathbf{g}_{RR}^2 - \mathbf{g}_{LL}^2|$ Compositeness scale: $\sqrt{|\mathbf{g}_{RR}^2 - \mathbf{g}_{LL}^2|} = 2\pi$

Length scale probed:
$$4 \times 10^{-21}$$
 m

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SUSY Sensitivity



Does Supersymmetry provide a candidate for dark matter? •B and/or L need not be conserved (RPV): neutralino decay

•neutralino then unlikely to be a dark matter candidate

•neutrinos are Majorana

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Experimental Technique: Technical Improvements over 3 Decades

Parity-violating electron scattering has become a precision tool



Optical Pumping



•Optical pumping of a GaAs wafer

•Rapid helicity reversal: change sign of longitudinal polarization ~ kHz to minimize drifts (like a lockin amplifier)

•Control helicity-correlated beam motion: under sign flip, keep beam stable at the submicron level

Example: at 240 Hz reversal

 \diamond Beam helicity is chosen pseudo-randomly at multiple of 60 Hz

• sequence of "window multiplets"

Choose 2 pairs pseudo-randomly, force complementary two pairs to follow

Analyze each "macropulse" of 8 windows together



MOLLER will plan to use ~ 2 kHz reversal; subtleties in details of timing

Noise characteristics have been unimportant in past experiments: Not so for PREX, Qweak and MOLLER....

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Flux Integration



"Flux Integration": very high rates

direct scattered flux to background-free region

Detector D, Current I: F = D/I





$$\mathbf{A}_{\text{pair}} = \frac{\Delta \mathbf{I}}{2\mathbf{F}} + \Delta \mathbf{A}$$

order: x, y, θ_x , θ_y , E

II order: e.g. spot-size

After corrections, variance of A_{pair} must get as close to counting statistics as possible: ~ 80 ppm (2kHz) & central value reflects A_{phys}

Experimental Challenge & Systematic Control *Talks by M. Pitt and G. Cates*

• Must minimize both random and helicity-correlated fluctuations in the integrated window-pair monitor response of electron beam trajectory, energy and spot-size.

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E158 Experience relevant for apparatus design as well as systematic control



SLAC E158 Result



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Old SPEAR Final focus tunnel North arc North End Station B injection End of Main contro klystron tunnel South arc adlery **BSY** main access South injection tunnel Accelerator housing

Parity Violation at JLab



MOLLER Hall Layout



Target: Liquid Hydrogen

- Most thickness for least radiative losses
- No nuclear scattering background
- Not easy to polarize

Need as much target thickness as technically feasible
Tradeoff between statistics and systematics
Default: Same geometry as E158







Spectrometer Collimation



Learn from E158 experience

- One-Bounce Photons
- Power Dissipation
- Precision Alignment
- Radiation Protection



Simulations Initial and final state radiation effects in target





- Integrating Detectors: talk by D. Mack
 - Moller and e-p Electrons:
 - radial and azimuthal segmentation
 - quartz with air lightguides & PMTs
 - pions and muons:
 - quartz sandwich behind shielding
 - luminosity monitors

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- Other Detectors talk by D. Armstrong - Tracking detectors
 - 3 planes of GEMs/Straws
 - Critical for systematics/ calibration/debugging
 - Integrating Scanners
 - quick checks on stability

Signal & Backgrounds

parameter	value
cross-section	45.1 μBarn
Rate @ 75 μA	135 GHz
pair stat. width (1 kHz)	82.9 ppm
δ(A _{raw}) (6448 hrs)	0.544 ppb
δ(A _{stat})/A (80% pol.)	2.1%
δ(sin ² θ _w) _{stat}	0.00026

Backgrounds: talk by P. Souder

- photons and neutrons
- mostly 2-bounce collimation system
- dedicated runs to measure "blinded" response
- pions and muons
- real and virtual photo-production and DIS
- prepare for continuous parasitic measurement
- estimate 0.5 ppm asymmetry @ 0.1% dilution variation of January 14, 2010 Physics Motivation & Experimental Strategy

- Statistical Error
- 83 ppm @ 75 μ A
- table assumes 80% Pe and no degradation of statistics from other noise sources
- realistic goal ~ 90 ppm
- potential for recovering running time with higher Pe, higher efficiency, better spectrometer focus....

• Elastic e-p scattering

- well-understood and testable with data
- 8% dilution, 7.5±0.4% correction
- Inelastic e-p scattering
 - sub-1% dilution
 - large EW coupling, 4±0.4% correction
 - variation of Apv with r and ϕ

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Technical Challenges

• ~ 150 GHz scattered electron rate

- Design to flip Pockels cell ~ 2 kHz
- 80 ppm pulse-to-pulse statistical fluctuations
 - Electronic noise and density fluctuations < 10⁻⁵
 - Pulse-to-pulse beam jitter ~ 10s of microns at 1 kHz
 - Pulse-to-pulse beam monitoring resolution ~ 10 ppm and few microns at 1 kHz

• 1 nm control of beam centroid on target

- Modest improvement on control of polarized source laser transport elements
- Improved methods of "slow helicity reversal"

> 10 gm/cm² target needed to achieve desired luminosity

– 1.5 meter Liquid Hydrogen target: ~ 5 kW @ 85 μ A

Full Azimuthal acceptance with θ_{lab} ~ 5 mrad

- novel two-toroid spectrometer
- radiation hard, highly segmented integrating detectors

Robust and Redundant 0.4% beam polarimetry

- Plan to pursue both Compton and Atomic Hydrogen techniques

Systematics Overview

source of error	% error
absolute value of Q ²	0.5
beam second order	0.4
longitudinal beam polarization	0.4
inelastic e-p scattering	0.4
elastic e-p scattering	0.3
beam first order	0.3
pions and muons	0.3
transverse polarization	0.2
photons and neutrons	0.1
Total	1.0

G. Cates and M. Pitt

- I order beam helicity correlations
- position to 0.5 nm, angle to 0.05 nrad
- active intensity, position and angle feedback
- II order beam helicity correlations
- control laser spotsize fluctuations to 10⁻⁴
- slow flips with Wien filter and g-2 energy flip January 14, 2010 Physics Motivation &

Iongitudinal beam polarization E. Chudakov and K. Paschke

- Goal: redundant, continuous monitoring with Compton & Atomic Hydrogen Moller
- Redundancy backup plan: High field Moller

• transverse beam polarization K. Paschke & Y. Kolomensky

- kinematic separation allows online monitoring
- slow feedback using Wien filter
- Absolute value of Q² D. Armstrong
- dedicated tracking and scanning detectors
- experience with HAPPEXII & Qweak



Motivation Summary

Projected Result from an A_{PV} measurement in Møller Scattering

 $A_{PV} = 35.6 \ ppb$ $\delta(A_{PV}) = 0.73 \ ppb$ $\delta(Q^e_W) = \pm 2.1 \ (stat.) \pm 1.0 \ (syst.) \%$

 $\delta(\sin^2 \theta_W) = \pm 0.00026 \ (stat.) \pm 0.00012 \ (syst.) \quad \square > ~ ~ 0.1\%$

- Opportunity with high visibility and large potential payoff
 - The weak mixing angle is a fundamental parameter of EW physics
 - A cost-effective project has been elusive until now
 - expensive ideas reach perhaps 0.2% (reactor or accelerator v's, LHC Z production...)
 - sub-0.1% requires a new machine (e.g. Z- or v-factory, linear collider....)
 - physics impact on nuclear physics, particle physics and cosmology
 - pin down parameter for other precision low energy measurements
 - help decipher potential LHC anomalies at the TeV scale
 - shed light on feasibility of SUSY dark matter via search for R-Parity violation
- NSAC Long Range Plan strongly endorsed the physics
 - part of fundamental symmetries initiative to tune of 25M\$

• 11 GeV JLab beam is a unique instrument that makes this feasible

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Aggressive physics goal

- conservative design choices
- reasonable extrapolations on existing/planned III generation technologies
- Strong, committed collaboration
 - Experience from E158, GO, HAPPEX
 - Major roles in Qweak & PREX (the best kind of MOLLER R&D!)
- No engineering yet
 - Spectrometer design is the heart of the apparatus
 - launching coherent plan with dedicated physicist/engineering manpower (absent in 2009)
- Cost range: 12-16 M\$
 - Very generous on engineering/design manpower and contingency
 - far from WBS but much better than canonical x2 underestimate
- Begun process of devising a coherent R&D Plan
 - Assuming green light, launch parallel effort to CDO process in 2010

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