





The Muon g-2 experiment

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Experiment ≠ **Theory**





Outline

- What is the Muon g-2?
- Why is it so important?
- The Muon g-2 experiment at Fermilab

• What's next?



The muon

- Very similar to an electron
- 200 times heavier (105 MeV/c²)
- Decays quickly (2.2 μs)
- Has a <u>spin</u> (½)





The g in g-2 $\vec{\mu} = g \frac{q}{2m} \vec{S}$

- Every charged fermion has a magnetic moment
- Depends on charge, spin, mass
- g is a dimensionless factor
 - Classical mechanics says it's g=1
 - Paul Dirac predicted g=2 (1928) -
 - Actually, it's g=2.00233184122 (we measured it!)









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- A precise measurement of the muon magnetic moment means:
 - A test of the Standard Model accuracy
 - A search for new physics signals (dark matter?)



In the vacuum, the muon interacts with ALL the possible virtual particles in ALL the possible ways!



Loops and loops

- Very difficult theory calculations
- Nature helps us a little: the more the diagram is complicated, the less it contributes
- But for the required precision we need thousands of them! (expecially for QED)





Theory

		Value (× 10^{-10}) units
QED $(\gamma + \ell)$	$11658471.8951\pm 0.0009\pm$	$0.0019 \pm 0.0007 \pm 0.0077_{\alpha}$
HVP(lo) Davier17	686 ppt !!!	692.6 ± 3.33
HLbL Glasgow		10.5 ± 2.6
EW		15.4 ± 0.1
Total SM Davier17		11659181.7 ± 4.2



Hadron loops account for 0.006% of the contribution, but 99.95% of the uncertainty!



Theory





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- New Lattice QCD estimation of the hadronic contribution
 - Ab-initio calculation, does not rely on experimental data
 - First lattice result to provide an estimate with the error comparable to the dispersive evaluations (< 1%)
 - Needs to be confirmed by other lattice communities
 - "New g-2 puzzle" in the theory side



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Yes but why muons?

- Leptons are the only elementary fermions that we can easily produce and store
- The electron g-2 is already measured and calculated with extremely high precision (2.00231930436146(56))
- The muon is 200 times more massive → 40'000 times more sensitive to new particles
 - Tauons would be even better but they are very impractical



CERN III (1969-1979)





BNL (1996-2006)





The big move

- 50 ton package shipped from Brookhaven (BNL) to Fermilab (FNAL) on the summer of <u>2013</u>
- 35 days and 5000+ km on water and land



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The big move

Wilson Hall



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FNAL (2013-ongoing)







We want to measure the magnetic moment which is affected by **all** possible virtual particles



Spin precession





Cyclotron frequency









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29.3

Nature gift n°1: use the magic momentum 3.094 GeV/c !

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Master formula



X (mm)

Constants known with high precision from other experiments

- ω_a: Muon anomalous precession frequency
- ω_b: Larmor precession frequency of protons in water (mapping B)
- **ρ**_r: Muon distribution in the storage ring

Goal: measure a_u with 140 ppb accuracy (100 stat + 100 syst)

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x [mm]

20

40

-40

-20



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- Muons enter g-2 ring







Pion decay

- Mass ~ 140 MeV/c2
- Lifetime ~2.6e-8 s
- Spin: 0!





Pions are boosted \rightarrow muons are mostly forward/backward polarized

Nature gift n°2: high energy muons are ~97% polarized for free!

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It has to:

Storage ring



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Magnet





Magnet



-2

3





-2 -1 0 2 3





Inflector







Time (us)

Kicker

3 fast magnetic kickers to put muons in the correct orbit
4 kA current in 200 ns pulse



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Quadrupoles





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Measuring the field

- Need to determine **B** at < 100 ppb to determine a_u
 - Use NMR to assess B-field in terms of proton precession frequency $\omega_{\textrm{p}}$

378 fixed probes continuous monitoring





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17 probes on a trolley to 3D map every ~3 days



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Trolley cross-calibrated to absolute probes





Measuring the beam



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20 40 60 8 Radial Position [mm]

-40 -20 0 20

INFN Measuring the positrons



60060

60000 60020

60040



Calorimeters





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Laser Calibration System



Short laser pulses (0.6 ns FWHM) sent to all 1296 SiPMs both **before**, **during**, and **after** each beam fill

- Very stable laser system to calibrate and synchronize the detectors
- Gain calibration of the SiPMs at the 10⁻⁴ level at all timescales



Laser corrections

• Time corrections

Synchronization pulse before each injection to align the SiPMs readouts with ~50 ps precision

Gain corrections

- Any gain variation within the beam lifetime (700 μ s of beam storage) induces a direct bias to the ω_{a} measurement
- Systematic error < 20 ppb thanks to this system
- Charge depletion of the SiPMs pixels take \sim 15 ns to recover after a positron signal



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Laser corrections

• Gain drop induced by the energetic "splash" of particles at beam injection. SiPM high voltage takes some microseconds to recover



Long-term SiPM fluctuations due to temperature variations



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Measuring the positrons

- Mass: 105 MeV/c²
- Lifetime: 2.2 µs
- Spin: ¹/₂





- The muon decays into a positron and two neutrinos
- Parity violation enhances probability of right-handed positrons
- Nature gift n°3: high energy positrons are emitted in the direction of the muon spin!



Measuring $\boldsymbol{\omega}_{a}$

- This decay **asymmetry** is observed as an oscillation of the positron count over time
- The frequency of the oscillation is ω_a
- High energy positrons (2-3 GeV) have the highest oscillation amplitude
- <u>Goal</u>: collect as many positrons as possible with the calorimeters and fit the *wiggle plot* to obtain the oscillation frequency with **100 ppb** precision (stat+syst)





Data acquisition





Data reconstruction

- Raw data stored on tapes (Currently more than 5 PB)
- Each file is ~5 seconds of data taking (> 3 million files)
- Data is trasformed (reconstructed) from raw detector signals into an usable form file by file
- This would take millennia on a single computer → we use the GRID ☺
 - Jobs can run in parallel on thousands of CPUs
- The final .root files can be used by individual analyzers for fits and physics studies





Data analysis

$$a_{\mu} = \underbrace{\frac{\omega_{a}}{\tilde{\omega}_{p}'(T_{r})}}_{\bullet} \underbrace{\frac{\mu_{p}'(T_{r})}{\mu_{e}(H)} \frac{\mu_{e}(H)}{\mu_{e}} \frac{m_{\mu}}{m_{e}} \frac{g_{e}}{2}}_{\bullet} \xrightarrow{\text{Constants known with high precision from other experiments}} a_{\mu} \propto \frac{f_{\text{clock}}}{f_{\text{calib}}} \underbrace{\frac{\omega_{a}^{m}}{\omega_{a}} (1 + C_{e} + C_{p} + C_{ml} + C_{pa})}{f_{\text{calib}} \langle \underline{\omega}_{p}'(x, y, \phi) \times \underline{M}(x, y, \phi) \rangle (1 + B_{k} + B_{q})}$$

- Very complicated analysis with many correction parameters
- More than 2 years to complete Run 1 evaluation
 - Must publish first result with high confidence
- Run 2/3 analysis is in progress





Run 1 release

- Data unblinded on 25 February 2021 on a zoom session with 170+ collaborators
- Publicly released on 7 April 2021
- 4 papers released at the same time (PRL, PRD, PRA, PRAB)





Run 1 release

Measurement of the Positive Muon Anomalous Magnetic Moment to 0.46 ppm

B. Abi et al. (Muon g - 2 Collaboration) Phys. Rev. Lett. **126**, 141801 – Published 7 April 2021





Summing up...

- Truly interdisciplinary experiment
- Touches almost every aspect of particle physics
- Many engineering challenges
- Exciting and encouraging result from Run1
- <u>Run 2/3 analysis ongoing</u> to reduce error by factor 2





What's next



New QCD Lattice calculations



Muon g-2 experiment at J-PARC





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Useful links

- Contact me at paolo.girotti@phd.unipi.it !
- Release papers:
 - Measurement of the Positive Muon Anomalous Magnetic Moment to 0.46 ppm https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevLett.126.141801 (2021)
 - Measurement of the anomalous precession frequency of the muon in the Fermilab Muon g-2 Experiment https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevD.103.072002 (2021)
 - Magnetic-field measurement and analysis for the Muon g-2 Experiment at Fermilab https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevA.103.042208 (2021)
 - Beam dynamics corrections to the Run-1 measurement of the muon anomalous magnetic moment at Fermilab https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevAccelBeams.24.044002 (2021)
- Muon g-2 website https://muon-g-2.fnal.gov/
- MUSE website http://muse.lnf.infn.it/
- Press release of 7 April 2021 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=81PfYnpuOPA