

E-989 g-2 experiment -

Study of systematic errors affecting the electron spectrum & Straw Detectors



The purpose of g-2 experiment is to misure the muon anomalous magnetic momentum to ± 0.14 ppm precision

$$\overline{\mu_{\mu}} = g_{\mu} \left(\frac{q}{2m} \right) \overline{s}$$

Dirac teory \rightarrow g_µ = 2 is expected for a structureless, spin-1/2 particle of mass m and charge q = ± e



Anomalous magnetic momentum

$$a_{\mu} = \left(\frac{g_{\mu} - 2}{2}\right)$$

Radiative corrections

Leading $RC \rightarrow$ lowest-order QED process involving the exchange of a virtual photon

$$a_{\mu} = \alpha / 2\pi = 1.16 \cdot 10^{-3}$$



0.5 ppm precision

E821 Experimental tecnique

Muons moving in the horizontal plane of a magnetic storage ring, have an anomalous precession spin frequency:



E821 Experimental tecnique-I

Because electric quadrupoles are used to provide vertical focusing in the storage ring, their electric field is seen in the muon rest frame as a motional magnetic field that can affect the spin precession frequency:

$$\overline{\omega}_{a} = -\frac{q}{m} \left[a_{\mu} \overline{B} - \left(a_{\mu} - \frac{1}{\gamma^{e} - 1} \right) \frac{\overline{B} x \overline{E}}{c} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow = 0 \quad \text{if } \gamma = 29.3$$

Magic momentum p_{μ} = 3.094 Gev /c

E821 Experimental tecnique-II

 $\mu^+ \rightarrow (e^+) + \bar{\nu}_{\mu} + \nu_e$

Because of parity violation in the weak decay of the muon, a correlation exists between the muon spin and decay positron direction. Positrons of low energy are emitted preferentially along the muon spin direction and those of high energy are more likely emitted opposite to the spin.



We can measure the muon anomaly from the time distribution of positrons of a certain energy

E821 Experimental tecnique-III

The integrated decay electron distribution in the lab frame is:



For a threshold enegy $E_{th} = 1.8$ GeV, the asymmetry is A ≈ 0.4 and the average figure-of-merit is maximized, so the statistical uncertainty on ω_a is minimized.

Because I want to study the systematic errors, I chose this configuration.

ROOT simulation-I

$$esp = \frac{N}{\gamma \tau_{\mu}} \cdot e^{\frac{-t}{\gamma \tau_{\mu}}} \cdot \left[1 + A \cdot \cos\left(\omega \cdot t + \phi\right)\right]$$

Guess: A = 0.4 IDEAL CASE $\gamma \cdot \tau_{\mu} = 64.4 \ \mu s$ $\omega_a = 4.37 \ \mu s$ $\Phi = 1.5 \ rad$ N chosen so that the histogram was filled by 10^{12} points Statistical errors negligible

An example of electron decay time distribution histogram





ROOT simulation-II

Systematic errors can be represented, at the first order, setting the asimmetry as a linear function of time in the generating function:

$$A = c_1(1 + c_2 t)$$



ROOT simulation-III

To verify the goodness of the implemented code and the guesses over the fit function and the generating function, we start setting $A = c_1$





$$c_1 = 0.4$$

 $c_2 = 0$



electron time spectrum

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ROOT simulation-III



ROOT simulation-IV



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ROOT simulation-V

Is the code or the fit function choice the problem?

To understand this, I have removed parameters in the fit function one at a time and found out it was the phase

Using a fit function and a generating function without the phase also the asimmetry variations are negligible



ROOT simulation-VI

 $\Delta \omega / \omega vs c1$

for A = c1 (1 + c2) and c2 = 0



Getting rid of the phase



c1



ΔA /A vs c1

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Conclusions-I

- We found that we could not perform the fit with Φ as a free parameter
- When we add a linear offset to the generated A, we get expected offsets in the measured value of A and we found that this is so
- The extracted value of omega seems to be insensitive to a linear offset in A

Straw Chambers

Straw chambers are basically proportional chambers constructed with a single anode wire centered in an aluminized mylar tube forming the grounded cathode. The cathode is filled with gas at 1÷4 atmospheres.



This mylar tube is serveral mils thick wrapped with two strips glued toghether in a barber pole strip fashion

Those we used are 1m longe and 5.1 mm wide and filled with Ar-CO2 .

Straw Chambers-I

The advantages of a straw chambers when compared to the similar multiwire chambers are:

- The straw detector is inexpensive, robust and relatively simple to construct
- The damage and possible down time caused by wire breakage is minimal since the broken wire is isolated in the tube cell and will only need to be disconnected
- The effects of signal cross talk are minimized as the straw cathode provides a complete ground shield between nearby wires
- The problems of electrostatic alignment distortions are minimal when the anode is kept reasonably centered in the straw.

Straw Chambers-II

There are three main components to performing the g-2 measurement: measurement of the precession frequency, measurement of the magnetic field and measurement of the spacial distribution of muons within the field.

The muon spacial distribution can be mapped by measuring the position trajectories and extrapolating back to the point where the trajectory is tangent to the muon orbit. This is do using straw detectors.



The prototype system consist of 20 straws arranged ad in figure, split equally between vertical and horizontal configuration.

The decay point of the muon is required to be knew within 3 mm in both the radial and vertical position, this led to a requirement of better than 100 µm position resolution per straw.

Straw Prototype Construction



Straw Prototype Construction



ROOT simulation-VII

Step 2: $c_2 \neq 0$

c ₁	c ₂	τ	Α	ω	X²/dof
0.3	2.000E-009	64.3999944	0.2999999	4.37	0.95
	2.00E-008	64.3999952	0.3000036	4.36999998	0.96746386
	2.00E-007	64.3999951	0.30000268	4.36999999	1.09702811
	2.00E-006	64.3999629	0.30002255	4.37000001	8.63818273
	2.00E-005	64.3999304	0.30022562	4.37000002	739.460843

ROOT simulation-VIII

 $c_1 = 0.3$

 $0.1 \cdot 10^{-9} \le c_2 \le 0.9 \cdot 10^{-9}$



for A =c1 (1+ c2 t) and c1 = 0.3





for A = c1 (1 + c2t) and c1 = 0.3



ROOT simulation-IX



for A = c1 (1 + c2t) and c1 = 0.3



 $\Delta \omega / \omega vs c2$

for A =c1 (1+ c2 t) and c1 = 0.3



ROOT simulation-X

 $\Delta A / A vs c2$

for A = c1 (1 + c2t) and c1 = 0.3

0



ROOT simulation-XI



 $\Delta \omega / \omega vs c2$

 $c_1 = 0.3$ $0.1 \cdot 10^{-7} \le c_2 \le 0.9 \cdot 10^{-7}$









ROOT simulation-XII



 $c_1 = 0.3$

 $0.1 \cdot 10^{-6} \le c_2 \le 0.9 \cdot 10^{-6}$



for A = c1 (1 + c2t) and c1 = 0.3



X2/dof vs c2

for A =c1 (1+c2t) and c1 = 0.3



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ROOT simulation-XIII







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- When we add a linear offset to the generated A, we get expected offsets in the measured value of A and we found that this is so
- The extracted value of omega seems to be insensitive to a linear offset in A
- The χ² of the fit gets very bad very quickly (c2 > 5 x 10^-7)
 We are not sure how to translate this into a systematic error on omega.
 Might be more of a hard specification.