

The Lamb shift in hydrogen and muonic hydrogen and the proton charge radius

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 - kinematics, structure and dynamics of leptons;
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 - *not calculable, to be measured;*
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Atomic energy levels and the proton radius

- Proton structure affects
 - the Lamb shift
 - the hyperfine splitting
- The Lamb shift in hydrogen and muonic hydrogen
 - splits $2s_{1/2}$ & $2p_{1/2}$
 - The proton finite size contribution
 - $\sim (Z\alpha) R_p^2 |\Psi(0)|^2$
 - shifts all s states



Different methods to determine the proton charge radius

- *Spectroscopy of hydrogen (and deuterium)*

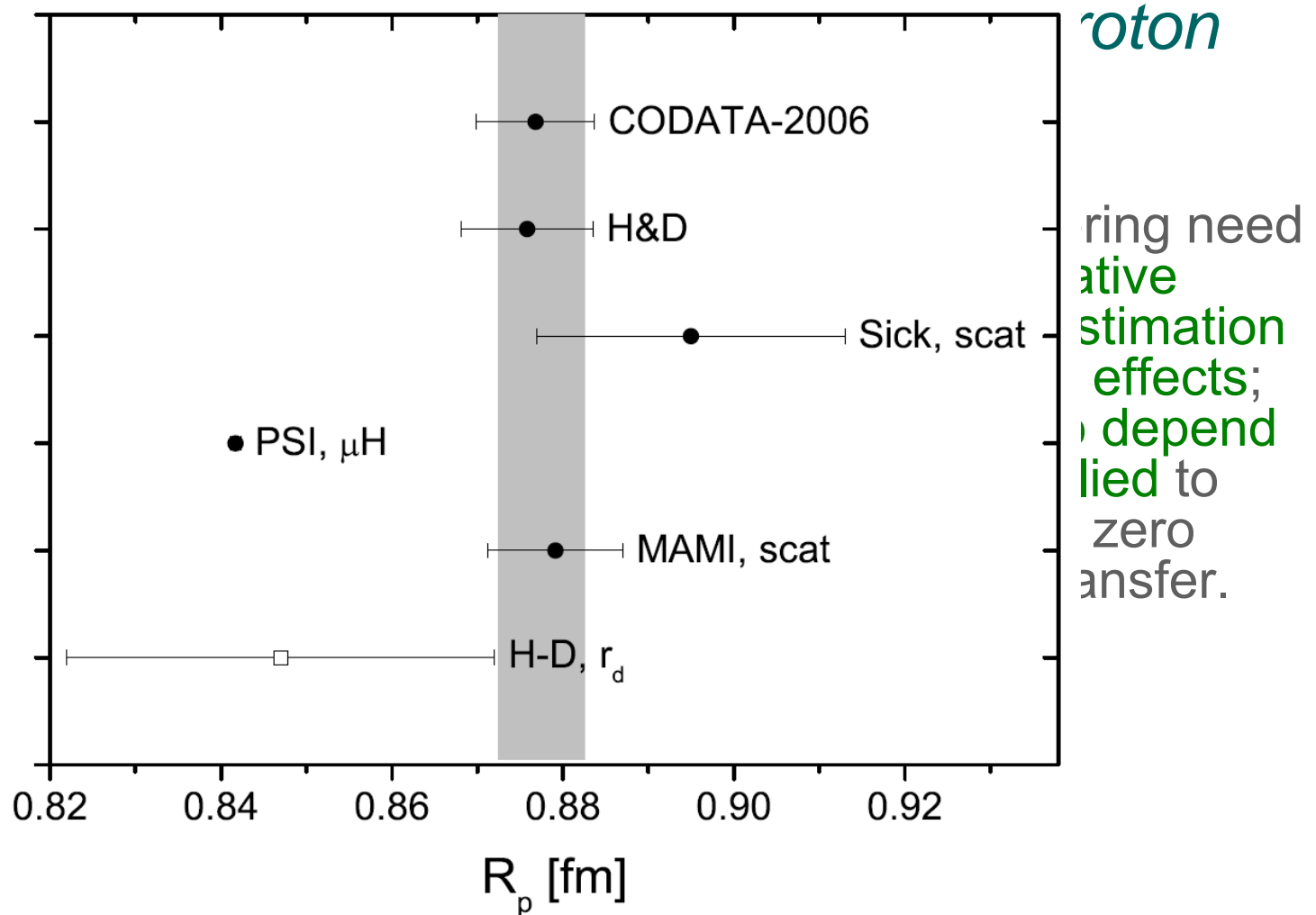
- *The Lamb shift in muonic hydrogen*

Spectroscopy produces a model-independent result, but involves a lot of theory and/or a bit of modeling.

- *Electron-proton scattering*

Studies of scattering need theory of radiative corrections, estimation of two-photon effects; the result is to depend on model applied to extrapolate to zero momentum transfer.

Different methods to determine the proton charge radius





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- *That as a rare success of numerology (Balmer series).*



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- The energies were OK, the wave functions were not. Thus, nonrelativistic **quantum mechanics** appeared.
- *That was a pure non-relativistic theory.*
- *Which was not good after decades of enjoying the special relativity.*
- *Without a spin there were no chance for a correct relativistic atomic theory.*



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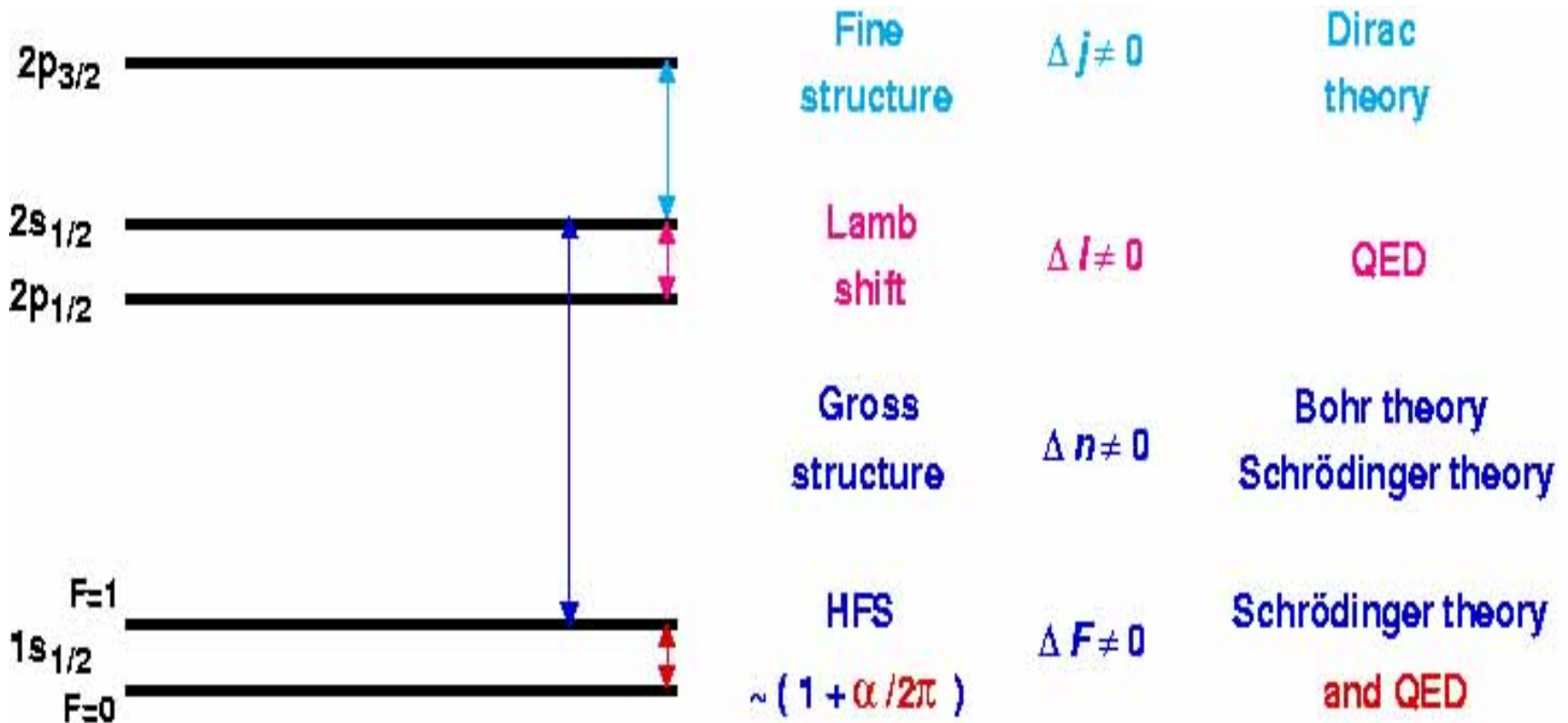
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 - *$g = 2$ (that was expected also for a proton)*
 - *positron*



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- *Departures from the Dirac theory and their explanations were the beginning of **practical quantum electrodynamics**.*

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- The Dirac theory of the energy levels:
 - The $2p_{1/2}$ and $2p_{3/2}$ are split ($j=1/2$ & $3/2$) = fine structure;
 - The $2p_{1/2}$ and $2s_{1/2}$ are degenerated ($j=1/2; l=0$ & 1).



Brief theory of hydrogenic energy levels: still without QED

- The nuclear spin:

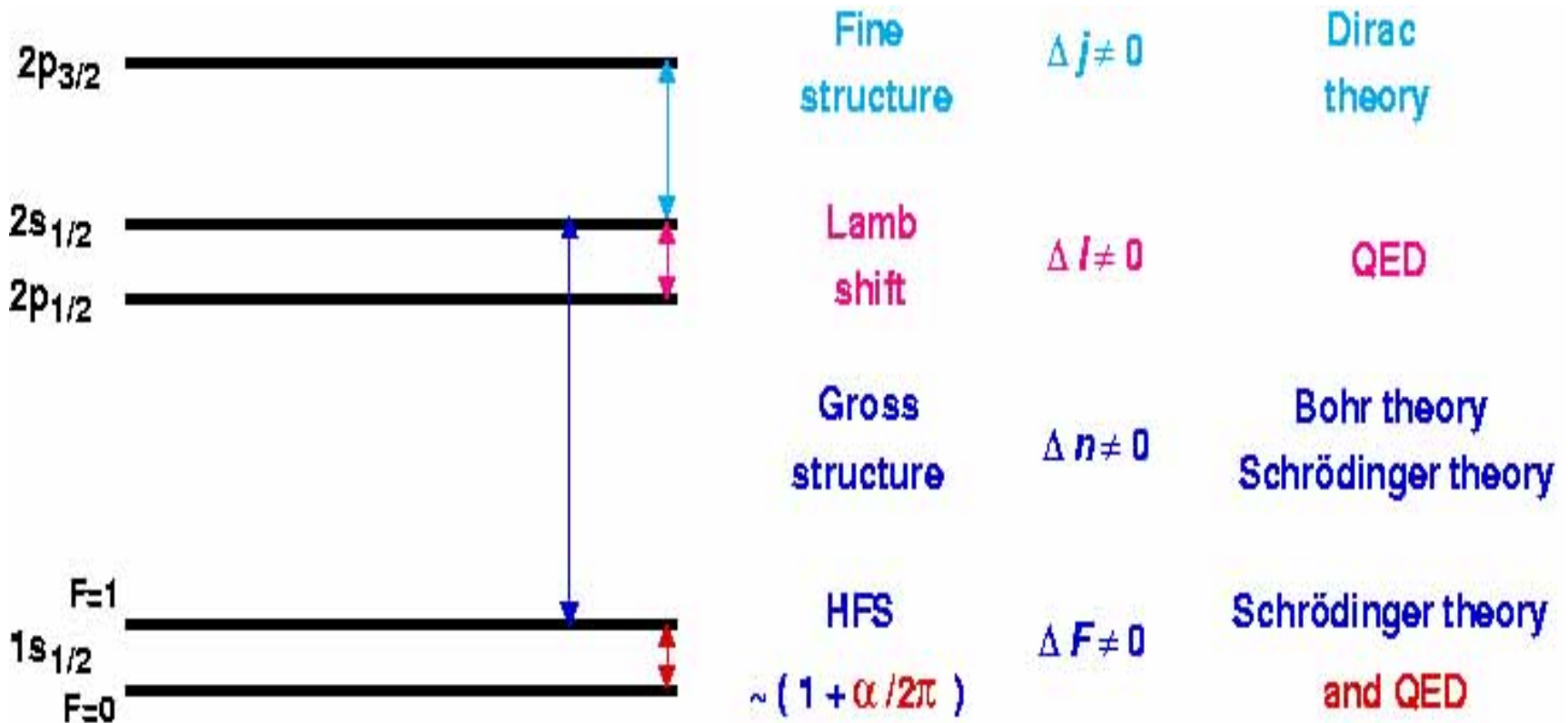
Hyperfine structure is due to splitting of levels with the same total angular momentum (electron's + nucleus);


In particular, $1s$ level in hydrogen is split into two levels.

- Quantum mechanics + emission:

all states, but the ground one, are metastable, i.e. they decay via photon(s) emission.


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- The leading channel is E1 decay. Most of levels (and 2p) go through this mode. The E1 decay width $\sim \alpha(Z\alpha)^4 mc^2$.
- The 2s level is metastable decaying via two-photon 2E1 mode with width $\sim \alpha^2(Z\alpha)^6 mc^2$.
- Complex energy with the imaginary part as decay width.
- Difference in width of $2s_{1/2}$ and $2p_{1/2}$ is a good reason to expect a difference in their energy in order $\alpha(Z\alpha)^4 mc^2$.



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- A complex energy for decaying states is with its real part as energy and its imaginary part as decay width.
- The E1 decay width is an imaginary part of the electron self energy while its real part is responsible for the Lamb shift $\sim \alpha(Z\alpha)^4 mc^2 \log(Z\alpha)$ and a splitting of $2s_{1/2} - 2p_{1/2}$ is by about tenfold larger than the $2p_{1/2}$ width.
- Self energy dominates.

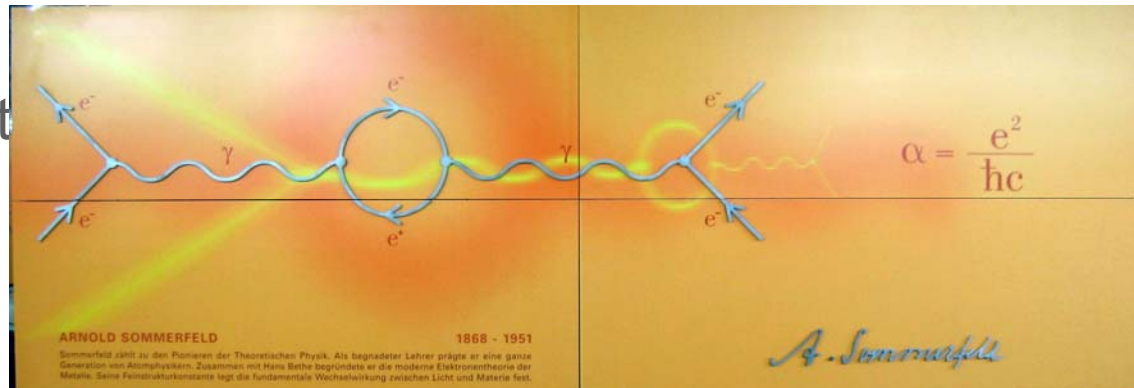


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- The 'electron magnetic moment anomaly' was first observed studying HFS.

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- dominates in muonic atoms:
$$\alpha(Z\alpha)^2 m_\mu c^2 \times F(Z\alpha m_\mu / m_e)$$



Three fundamental spectra:

$$n = 2$$

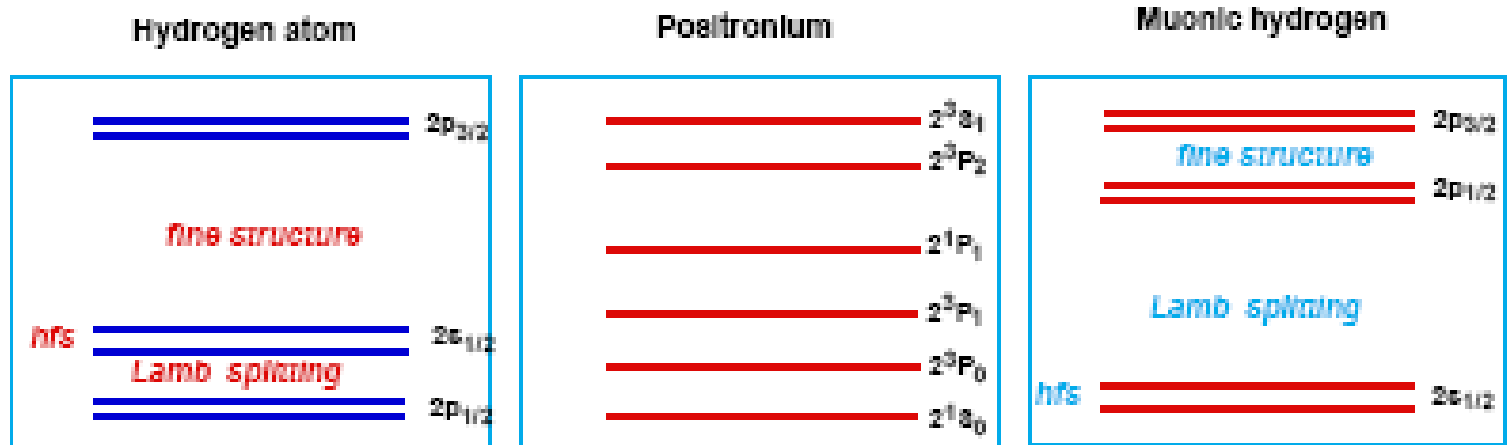
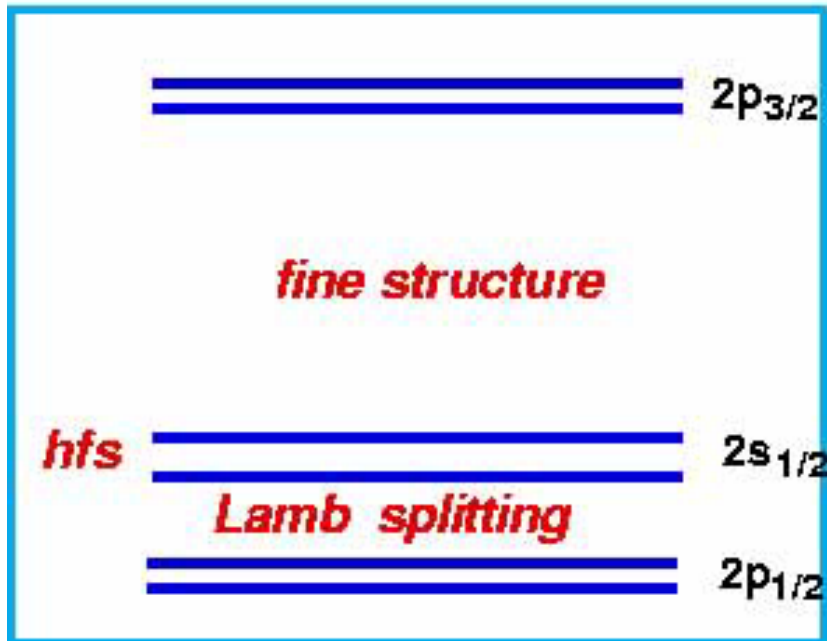


Fig. 6. Scheme of the lowest excited levels ($n = 2$) in different simple atoms (not to scale).

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Hydrogen atom

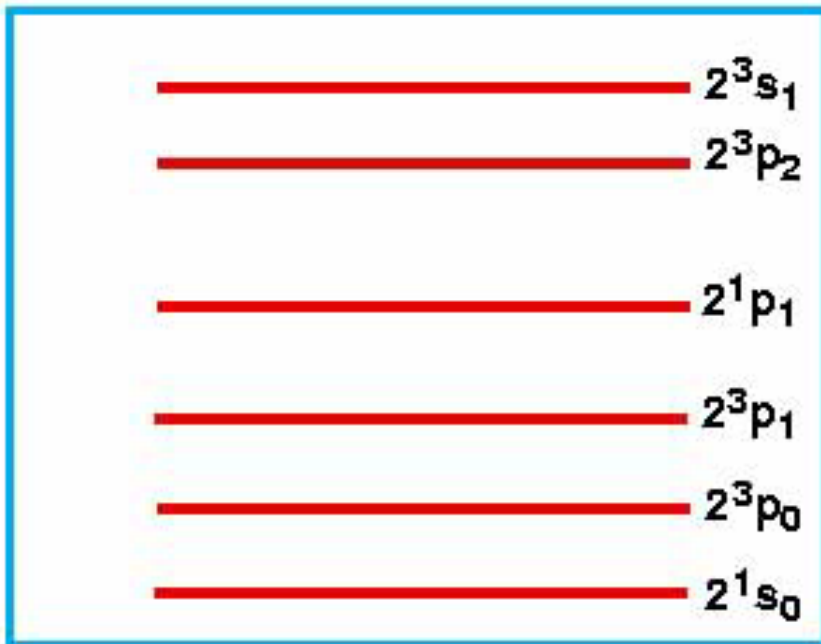


- The dominant effect is the **fine structure**.
- The **Lamb shift** is about 10% of the fine structure.
- The 2p line **width** (not shown) is about 10% of the Lamb shift.
- The 2s **hyperfine structure** is about 15% of the Lamb shift.

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Positronium



In positronium a number of effects are of the same order:

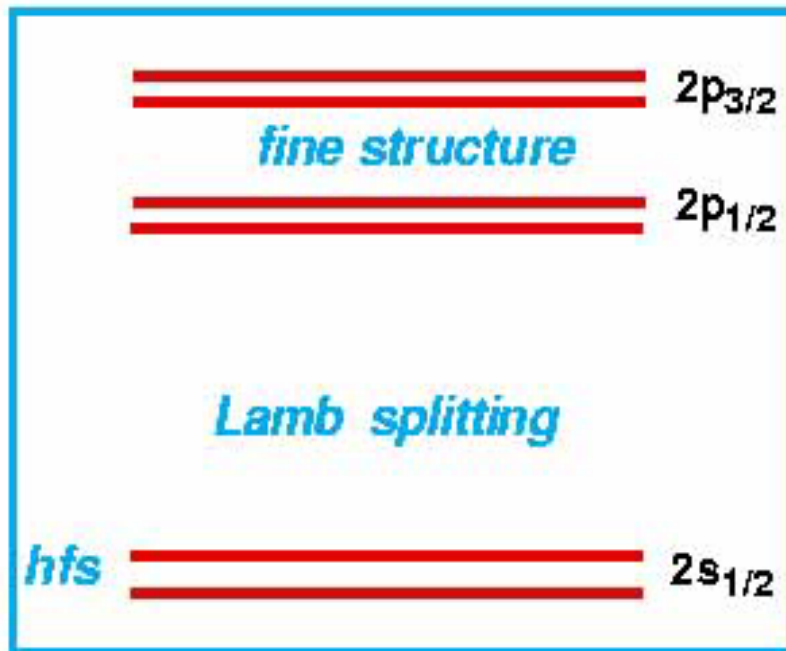
- fine structure;
- hyperfine structure;
- shift of 2^3S_1 state (orthopositronium) due to virtual annihilation.

There is no strong hierarchy.

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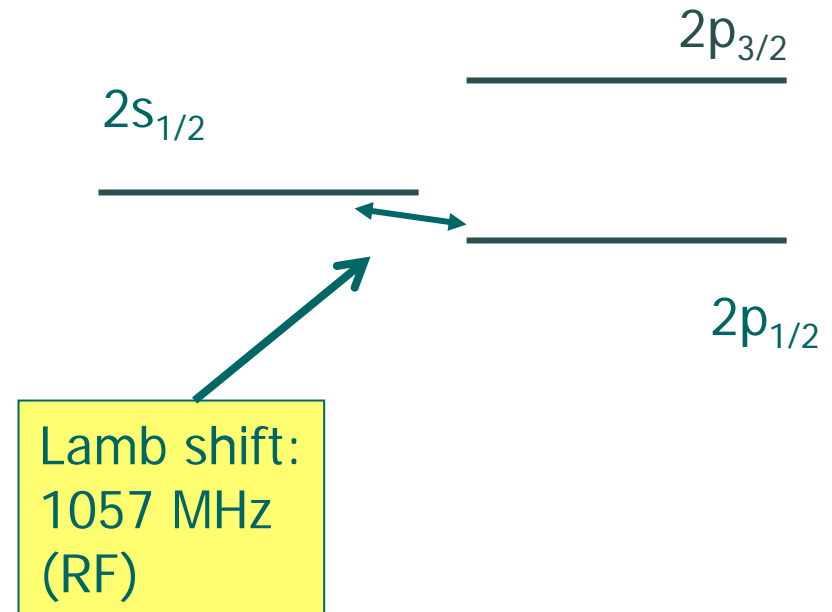
Muonic hydrogen



- The Lamb shift originating from vacuum polarization effects dominates over fine structure (4% of the Lamb shift).
- The **fine** structure is larger than radiative line width.
- The **HFS** is larger than fine structure $\sim 10\%$ of the Lamb shift (because $m_{\mu}/m_p \sim 1/9$).

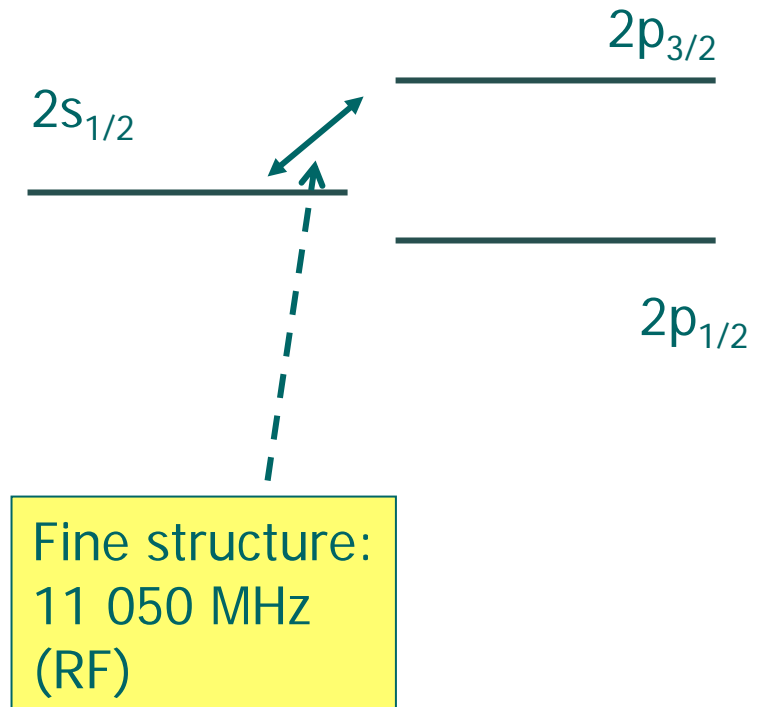
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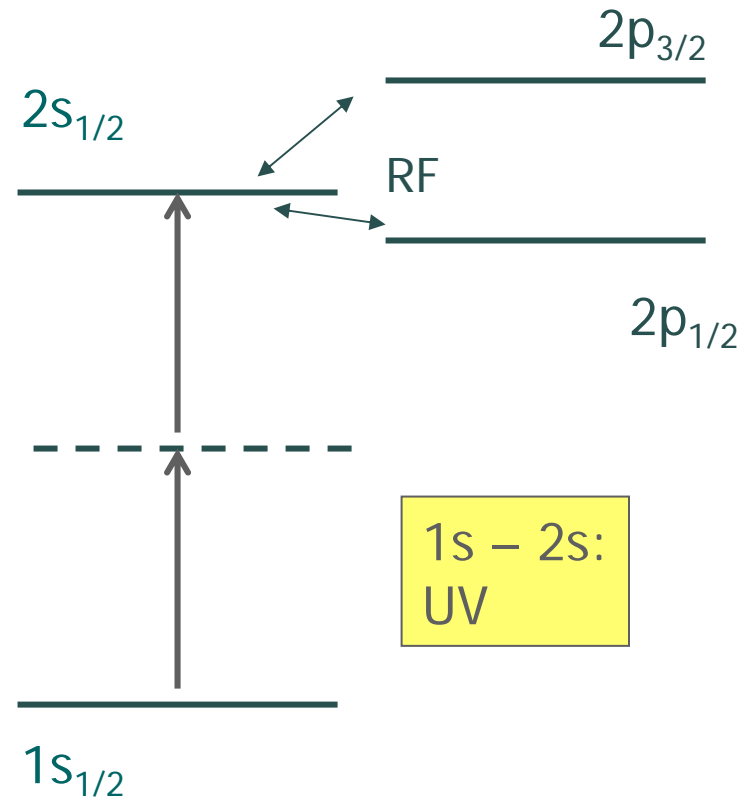
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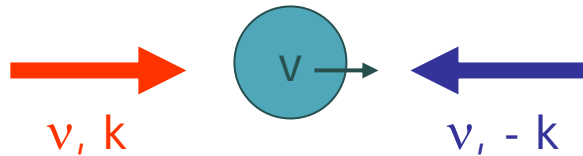
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- *However, the best result for the Lamb shift has been obtained up to now from UV transitions (such as $1s - 2s$).*



Two-photon Doppler-free spectroscopy of hydrogen atom

Two-photon spectroscopy



is free of linear Doppler effect.

That makes cooling relatively not too important problem.

All states but 2s are broad because of the E1 decay.

The widths decrease with increase of n .

However, higher levels are badly accessible.

Two-photon transitions double frequency and allow to go higher.



Spectroscopy of hydrogen (and deuterium)

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A theoretical expression is derived for the difference $\Delta E_L(1s_{1/2}) - 8\Delta E_L(2s_{1/2})$ in Lamb shifts

variables to determine:
the 1s Lamb shift L_{1s} &
 R_∞ .

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The Lamb shift of excited S-levels in hydrogen and deuterium atoms

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Theory of p and d states is also simple.

That leaves only **two** variables to determine: the 1s Lamb shift L_{1s} & R_{∞} .

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TABLE V. Summary of measured transition frequencies ν considered in the present work for the determination of the Rydberg constant R_∞ (H is hydrogen and D is deuterium).

Authors	Laboratory ^a	Frequency interval(s)	Reported value ν /kHz	Rel. stand. uncert. u_r
Niering <i>et al.</i> (2000)	MPQ	$\nu_H(1S_{1/2} - 2S_{1/2})$	2 466 061 413 187.103(46)	1.9×10^{-14}
Weitz <i>et al.</i> (1995)	MPQ	$\nu_H(2S_{1/2} - 4S_{1/2}) - \frac{1}{4}\nu_H(1S_{1/2} - 2S_{1/2})$	4 797 338(10)	2.1×10^{-6}
		$\nu_H(2S_{1/2} - 4D_{5/2}) - \frac{1}{4}\nu_H(1S_{1/2} - 2S_{1/2})$	6 490 144(24)	3.7×10^{-6}
		$\nu_D(2S_{1/2} - 4S_{1/2}) - \frac{1}{4}\nu_D(1S_{1/2} - 2S_{1/2})$	4 801 693(20)	4.2×10^{-6}
		$\nu_D(2S_{1/2} - 4D_{5/2}) - \frac{1}{4}\nu_D(1S_{1/2} - 2S_{1/2})$	6 494 841(41)	6.3×10^{-6}
Huber <i>et al.</i> (1998)	MPQ	$\nu_D(1S_{1/2} - 2S_{1/2}) - \nu_H(1S_{1/2} - 2S_{1/2})$	670 994 334.64(15)	2.2×10^{-10}
de Beauvoir <i>et al.</i> (1997)	LKB/SYRTE	$\nu_H(2S_{1/2} - 8S_{1/2})$	770 649 350 012.0(8.6)	1.1×10^{-11}
		$\nu_H(2S_{1/2} - 8D_{3/2})$	770 649 504 450.0(8.3)	1.1×10^{-11}
		$\nu_H(2S_{1/2} - 8D_{5/2})$	770 649 561 584.2(6.4)	8.3×10^{-12}
		$\nu_D(2S_{1/2} - 8S_{1/2})$	770 859 041 245.7(6.9)	8.9×10^{-12}
		$\nu_D(2S_{1/2} - 8D_{3/2})$	770 859 195 701.8(6.3)	8.2×10^{-12}
		$\nu_D(2S_{1/2} - 8D_{5/2})$	770 859 252 849.5(5.9)	7.7×10^{-12}
Schwob <i>et al.</i> (1999)	LKB/SYRTE	$\nu_H(2S_{1/2} - 12D_{3/2})$	799 191 710 472.7(9.4)	1.2×10^{-11}
		$\nu_H(2S_{1/2} - 12D_{5/2})$	799 191 727 403.7(7.0)	8.7×10^{-12}
		$\nu_D(2S_{1/2} - 12D_{3/2})$	799 409 168 038.0(8.6)	1.1×10^{-11}
		$\nu_D(2S_{1/2} - 12D_{5/2})$	799 409 184 966.8(6.8)	8.5×10^{-12}
Bourzeix <i>et al.</i> (1996)	LKB	$\nu_H(2S_{1/2} - 6S_{1/2}) - \frac{1}{4}\nu_H(1S_{1/2} - 3S_{1/2})$	4 197 604(21)	4.9×10^{-6}
		$\nu_H(2S_{1/2} - 6D_{5/2}) - \frac{1}{4}\nu_H(1S_{1/2} - 3S_{1/2})$	4 699 099(10)	2.2×10^{-6}
Berkeland <i>et al.</i> (1995)	Yale	$\nu_H(2S_{1/2} - 4P_{1/2}) - \frac{1}{4}\nu_H(1S_{1/2} - 2S_{1/2})$	4 664 269(15)	3.2×10^{-6}
		$\nu_H(2S_{1/2} - 4P_{3/2}) - \frac{1}{4}\nu_H(1S_{1/2} - 2S_{1/2})$	6 035 373(10)	1.7×10^{-6}
Hagley and Pipkin (1994)	Harvard	$\nu_H(2S_{1/2} - 2P_{3/2})$	9 911 200(12)	1.2×10^{-6}
Lundeen and Pipkin (1986)	Harvard	$\nu_H(2P_{1/2} - 2S_{1/2})$	1 057 845.0(9.0)	8.5×10^{-6}
Newton <i>et al.</i> (1979)	U. Sussex	$\nu_H(2P_{1/2} - 2S_{1/2})$	1 057 862(20)	1.9×10^{-5}

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Spectroscopy of hydrogen (and deuterium)



TABLE XIX. Observational equations that express the input data related to R_∞ in Table XI as functions of the adjusted constants in Table XVIII. The numbers in the first column correspond to the numbers in the first column of Table XI. The expressions for the energy levels of hydrogenic atoms are discussed in Appendix A. As pointed out in Sec. A.12 of that Appendix, $E_X(nL_j)/h$ is in fact proportional to cR_∞ and independent of h , hence h is not an adjusted constant in these equations. [The notation for hydrogenic energy levels $E_X(nL_j)$ and for additive corrections $\delta_X(nL_j)$ in this table have the same meaning as the notations $E_{nL_j}^X$ and $\delta_{nL_j}^X$ in Appendix A, Sec. A.12.] See Sec. IVB for an explanation of the symbol $\hat{=}$.

Type of input datum	Observational equation
A1–A6	$\nu_H(n_1L_{1j_1} - n_2L_{2j_2}) \hat{=} [E_H(n_2L_{2j_2}; R_\infty, \alpha, A_r(e), A_r(p), R_p, \delta_H(n_2L_{2j_2}))$ $- E_H(n_1L_{1j_1}; R_\infty, \alpha, A_r(e), A_r(p), R_p, \delta_H(n_1L_{1j_1}))]/h$
A13, A14	
A7–A12	$\nu_H(n_1L_{1j_1} - n_2L_{2j_2}) - \frac{1}{4}\nu_H(n_3L_{3j_3} - n_4L_{4j_4}) \hat{=} \{E_H(n_2L_{2j_2}; R_\infty, \alpha, A_r(e), A_r(p), R_p, \delta_H(n_2L_{2j_2}))$ $- E_H(n_1L_{1j_1}; R_\infty, \alpha, A_r(e), A_r(p), R_p, \delta_H(n_1L_{1j_1}))$ $- \frac{1}{4}[E_H(n_4L_{4j_4}; R_\infty, \alpha, A_r(e), A_r(p), R_p, \delta_H(n_4L_{4j_4}))$ $- E_H(n_3L_{3j_3}; R_\infty, \alpha, A_r(e), A_r(p), R_p, \delta_H(n_3L_{3j_3}))]/h$
A15	$R_p \hat{=} R_p$
A16–A20	$\nu_D(n_1L_{1j_1} - n_2L_{2j_2}) \hat{=} [E_D(n_2L_{2j_2}; R_\infty, \alpha, A_r(e), A_r(d), R_d, \delta_D(n_2L_{2j_2}))$ $- E_D(n_1L_{1j_1}; R_\infty, \alpha, A_r(e), A_r(d), R_d, \delta_D(n_1L_{1j_1}))]/h$
A21–A22	$\nu_D(n_1L_{1j_1} - n_2L_{2j_2}) - \frac{1}{4}\nu_D(n_3L_{3j_3} - n_4L_{4j_4}) \hat{=} \{E_D(n_2L_{2j_2}; R_\infty, \alpha, A_r(e), A_r(d), R_d, \delta_D(n_2L_{2j_2}))$ $- E_D(n_1L_{1j_1}; R_\infty, \alpha, A_r(e), A_r(d), R_d, \delta_D(n_1L_{1j_1}))$ $- \frac{1}{4}[E_D(n_4L_{4j_4}; R_\infty, \alpha, A_r(e), A_r(d), R_d, \delta_D(n_4L_{4j_4}))$ $- E_D(n_3L_{3j_3}; R_\infty, \alpha, A_r(e), A_r(d), R_d, \delta_D(n_3L_{3j_3}))]/h$
A23	$R_d \hat{=} R_d$
A24	$\nu_D(1S_{1/2} - 2S_{1/2}) - \nu_H(1S_{1/2} - 2S_{1/2}) \hat{=} \{E_D(2S_{1/2}; R_\infty, \alpha, A_r(e), A_r(d), R_d, \delta_D(2S_{1/2}))$ $- E_D(1S_{1/2}; R_\infty, \alpha, A_r(e), A_r(d), R_d, \delta_D(1S_{1/2}))$ $- [E_H(2S_{1/2}; R_\infty, \alpha, A_r(e), A_r(p), R_p, \delta_H(2S_{1/2}))$ $- E_H(1S_{1/2}; R_\infty, \alpha, A_r(e), A_r(p), R_p, \delta_H(1S_{1/2}))]/h$
A25–A40	$\delta_H(nL_j) \hat{=} \delta_H(nL_j)$
A41–A49	$\delta_D(nL_j) \hat{=} \delta_D(nL_j)$



The Rydberg constant R_∞

The Rydberg constant is important for a number of reasons. It is a basic atomic constant.

Meantime that is the most accurately measured fundamental constant.

The improvement of accuracy is nearly 4 orders in 30 years.

There has been no real progress since that.

1973	10 973 731.77(83)	m^{-1}	$[7.5 \times 10^{-8}]$
1986	10 973 731.534(13)	m^{-1}	$[1.2 \times 10^{-9}]$
1998	10 973 731.568 549(83)	m^{-1}	$[7.6 \times 10^{-12}]$
2002	10 973 731.568 525(73)	m^{-1}	$[6.6 \times 10^{-12}]$
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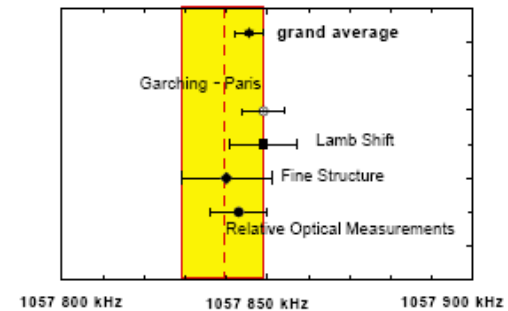
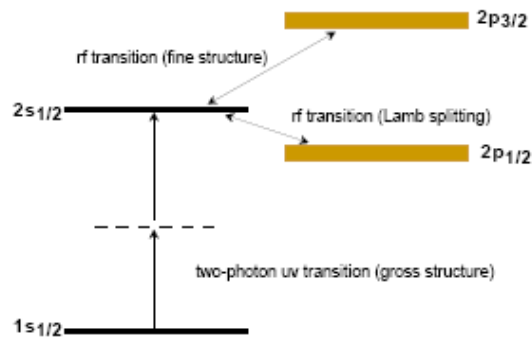


Fig. 9. Measurement of the Lamb shift in the hydrogen atom. The most accurate experimental result comes from a comparison of the $1s - 2s$ interval measured at MPQ (Garching) [38] and the $2s - ns/d$ intervals at LKB (Paris) [39], where $n = 8, 10, 12$ (see also [33] for detail). Three more results are shown for the average values extracted from direct *Lamb shift* measurements, measurements of the *fine structure* and a comparison of *two optical* transitions within a *single* experiment (i.e., a relative optical measurement). The filled part is for theory. Theory and evaluation of the experimental data are presented according to Ref. [36].

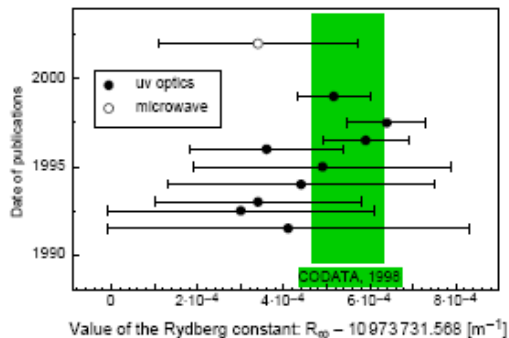


Fig. 8. Progress in determination of the Rydberg constant by means of two-photon Doppler-free spectroscopy of hydrogen and deuterium. The label *CODATA* stands for the recommended value of the Rydberg constant $R_{\infty}(1998)$ [21] from Eq. (12). The most recent original value is a preliminary result from MIT obtained by microwave means [37].



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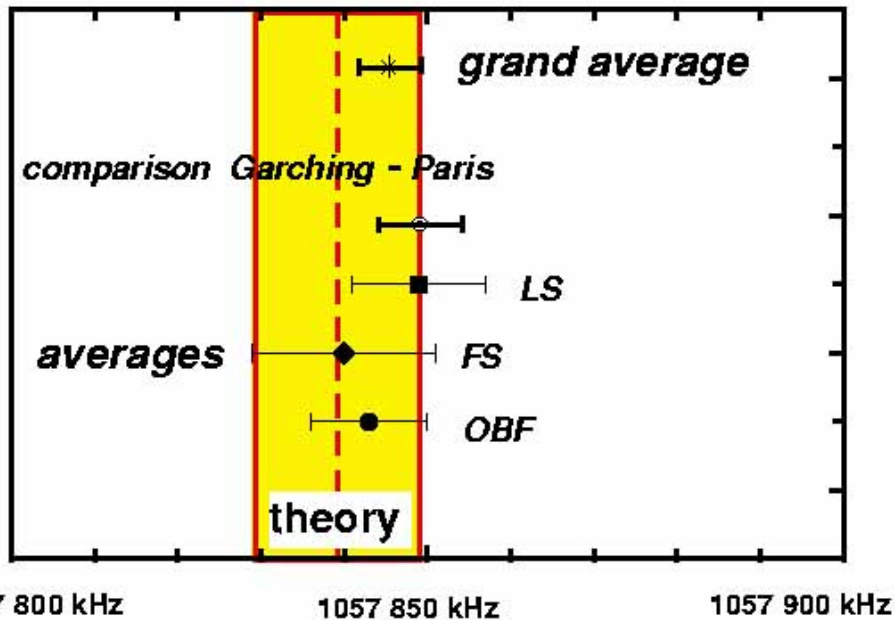
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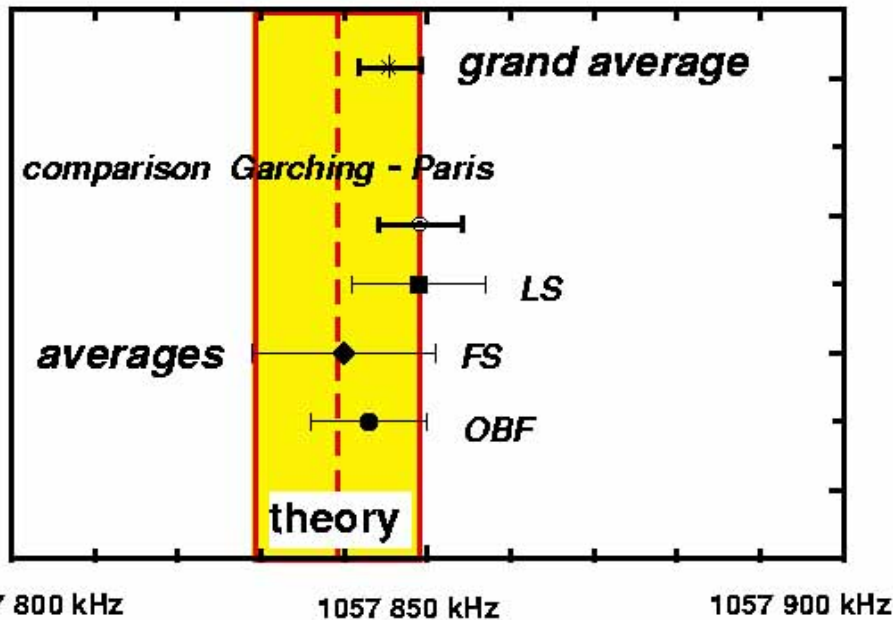
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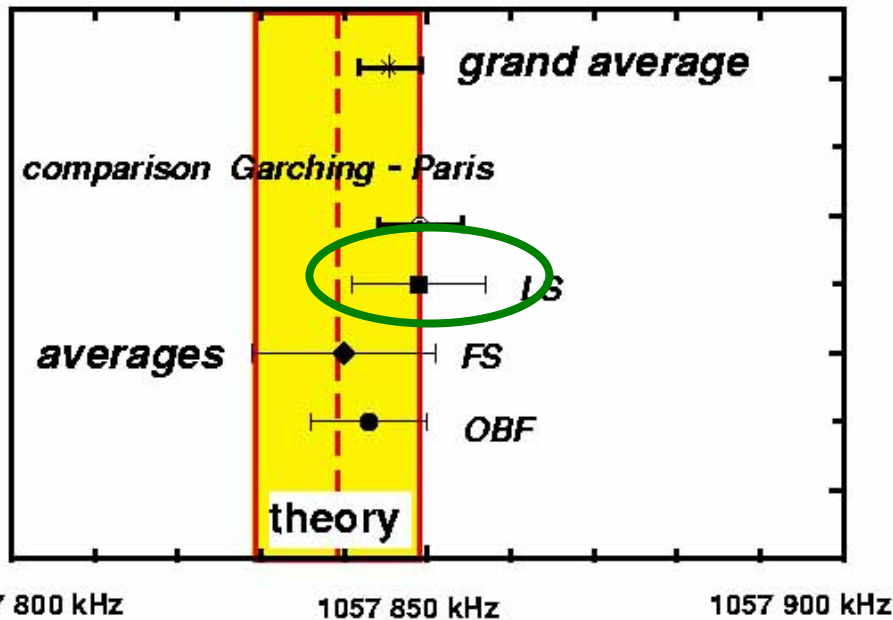
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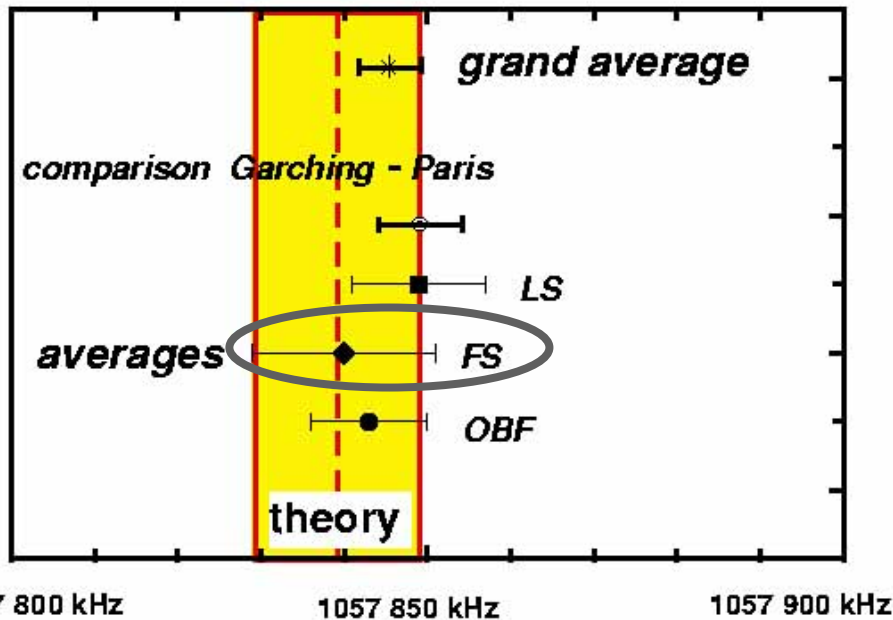
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- LS: direct measurements of the $2s_{1/2} - 2p_{1/2}$ splitting.
 - Sokolov-&-Yakovlev's result (2 ppm) is excluded because of possible systematic effects.
 - The best included result is from Lundeen and Pipkin (~10 ppm).

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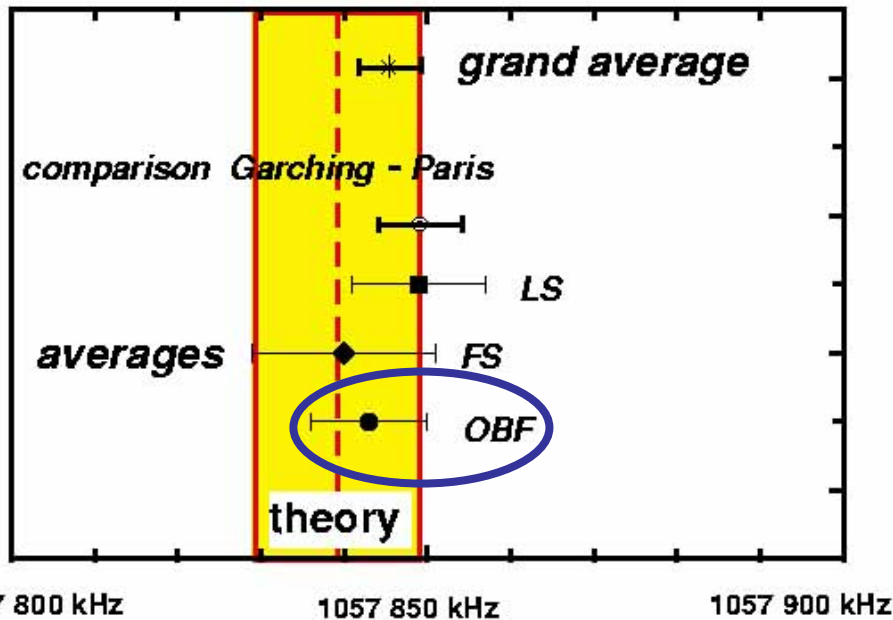


- FS: measurement of the $2p_{3/2} - 2s_{1/2}$ splitting. The Lamb shift is about of 10% of this effects.

- The best result (Hagley & Pipkin) leads to uncertainty of ~ 10 ppm for the Lamb shift.

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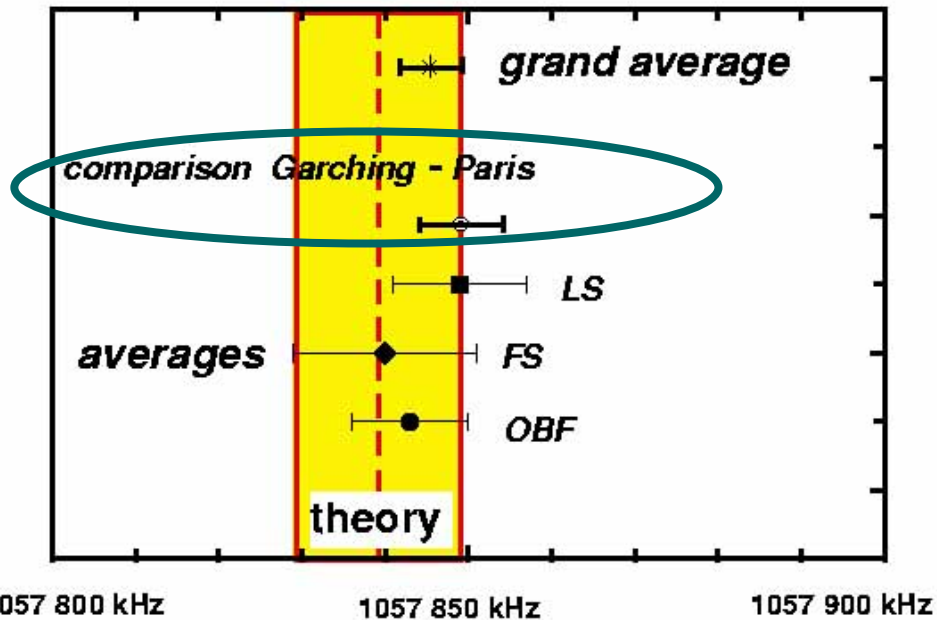
- OBF: the first generation of optical measurements. They were relative measurements with two frequencies different by an almost integer factor.

- Yale: 1s-2s and 2s-4p
- Garching: 1s-2s and 2s-4s
- Paris: 1s-3s and 2s-6s

The result was reached through measurement of a 'beat frequency' such as $f(1s-2s) - 4 \times f(2s-4s)$.

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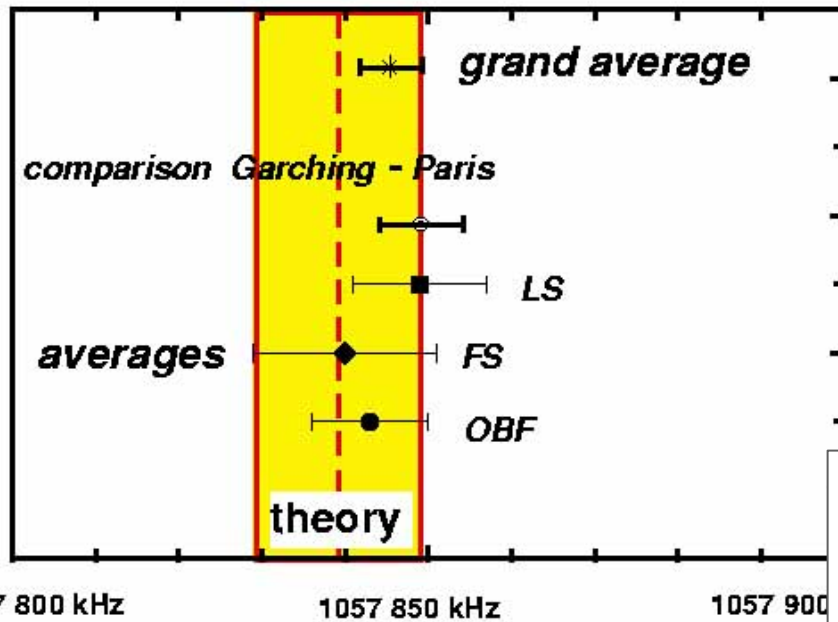
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- The most accurate result is a comparison of independent absolute measurements:
 - Garching: $1s-2s$
 - Paris: $2s \rightarrow n=8-12$

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There are data on a number of transitions, but most of them are correlated.



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At present, it used to be believed that the theoretical uncertainty is well below 1 ppm.

However, we are in a kind of g_e-2 situation: the most important two-loop corrections have not been checked independently.



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*Accuracy of the proton-radius contribution suffers from estimation of uncertainty of scattering **data evaluation** and of proper estimation of **higher-order QED** and **two-photon** effects.*



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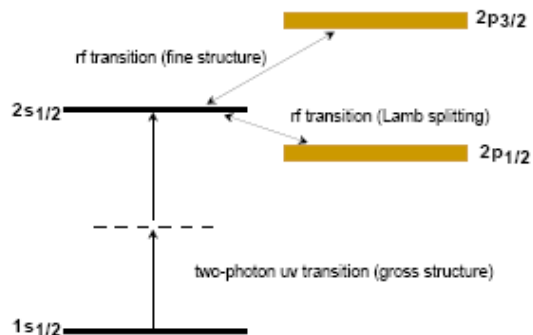
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The scattering data claimed a better accuracy (3 ppm), however, we should not completely trust them.

It is likely that we need to have proton charge radius obtained in some other way (e.g. via the Lamb shift in muonic hydrogen – in the way at PSI).

The Lamb shift in muonic hydrogen

- Used to believe: *since a muon is heavier than an electron, muonic atoms are more sensitive to the nuclear structure.*
- Not quite true. What is important: **scaling of various contributions with m .**
- Scaling of contributions
 - nuclear finite size effects: $\sim m^3$;
 - standard Lamb-shift QED and its uncertainties: $\sim m$;
 - width of the $2p$ state: $\sim m$;
 - nuclear finite size effects for HFS: $\sim m^3$



The Lamb shift in muonic hydrogen: experiment

The size of the proton

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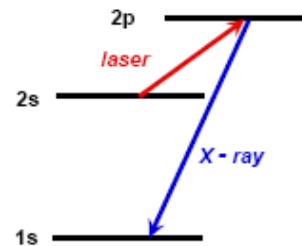


Fig. 16. Level scheme of the PSI experiment on the Lamb shift in a muonic hydrogen [88] (not to scale). The hyperfine structure is not shown.

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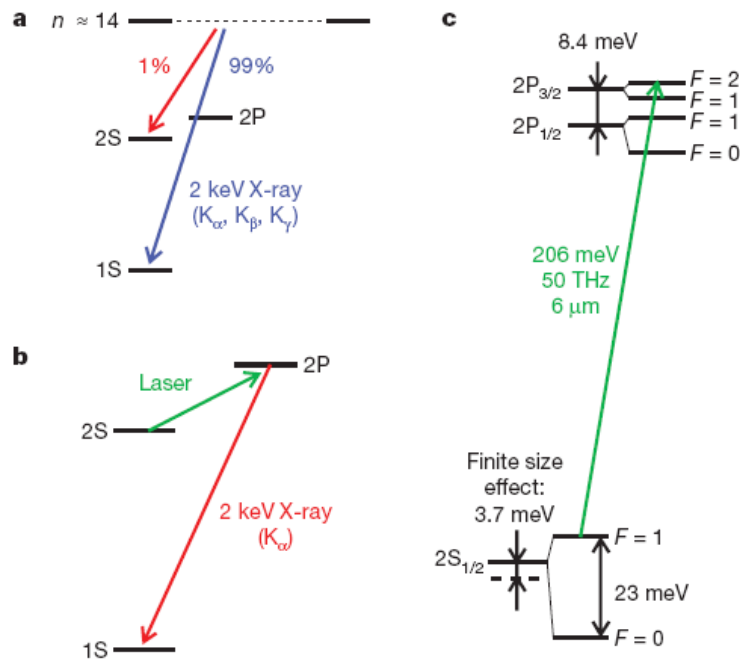


Figure 1 | Energy levels, cascade and experimental principle in muonic hydrogen. **a**, About 99% of the muons proceed directly to the 1S ground state during the muonic cascade, emitting ‘prompt’ K-series X-rays (blue). 1% remain in the metastable 2S state (red). **b**, The $\mu p(2S)$ atoms are illuminated by a laser pulse (green) at ‘delayed’ times. If the laser is on resonance, delayed K_α X-rays are observed (red). **c**, Vacuum polarization dominates the Lamb shift in μp . The proton’s finite size effect on the 2S state is large. The green arrow indicates the observed laser transition at $\lambda = 6 \mu\text{m}$.

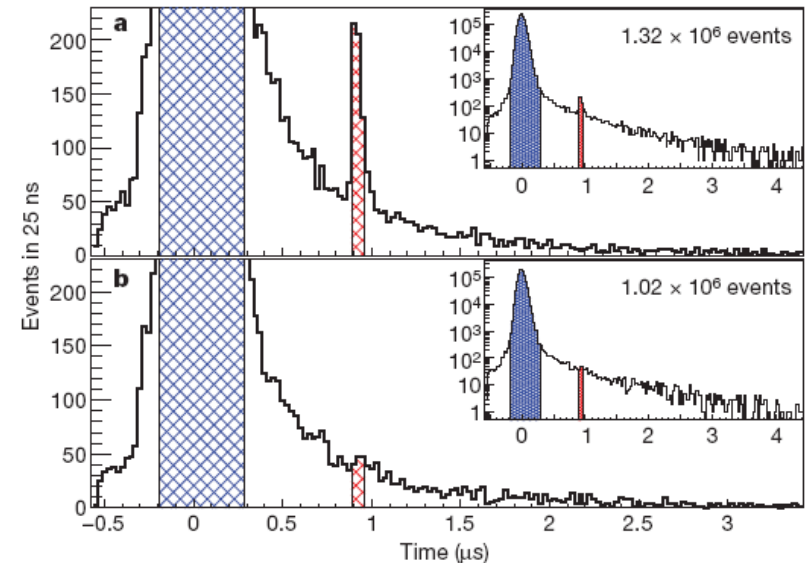


Figure 4 | Summed X-ray time spectra. Spectra were recorded on resonance (**a**) and off resonance (**b**). The laser light illuminates the muonic atoms in the laser time window $t \in [0.887, 0.962] \mu\text{s}$ indicated in red. The ‘prompt’ X-rays are marked in blue (see text and Fig. 1). Inset, plots showing complete data; total number of events are shown.

The Lamb shift in muonic hydrogen: experiment

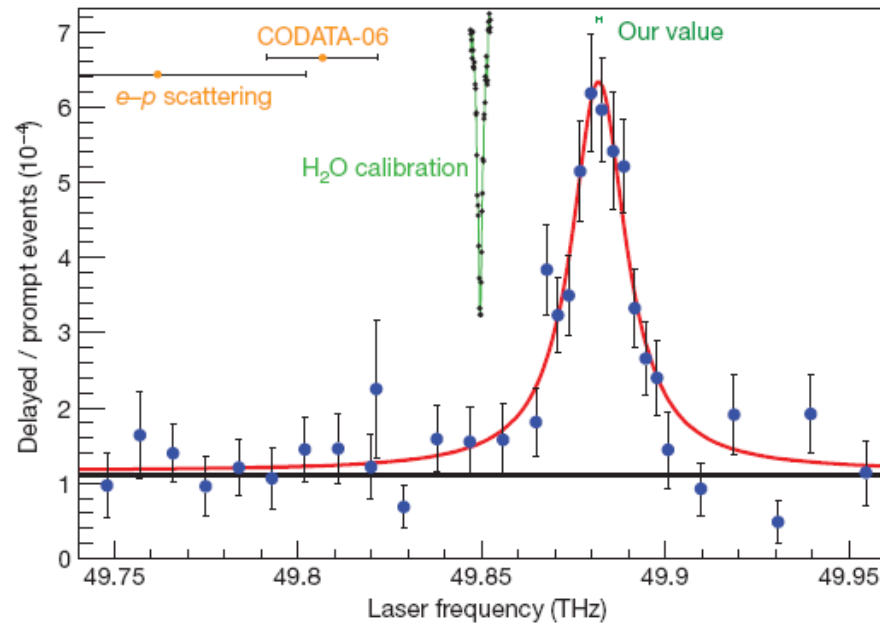


Figure 5 | Resonance. Filled blue circles, number of events in the laser time window normalized to the number of ‘prompt’ events as a function of the laser frequency. The fit (red) is a Lorentzian on top of a flat background, and gives a $\chi^2/\text{d.f.}$ of 28.1/28. The predictions for the line position using the proton radius from CODATA³ or electron scattering^{1,2} are indicated (yellow data points, top left). Our result is also shown (‘our value’). All error bars are the ± 1 s.d. regions. One of the calibration measurements using water absorption is also shown (black filled circles, green line).

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25	Nuclear structure correction of order $(Z\alpha)^5$ (Proton polarizability contribution)	2,5,22,25	0.015	0.004	0.012	0.002	0.015	0.004
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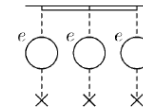


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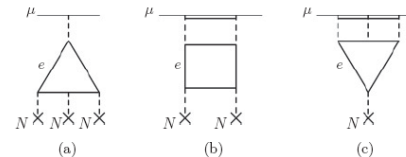


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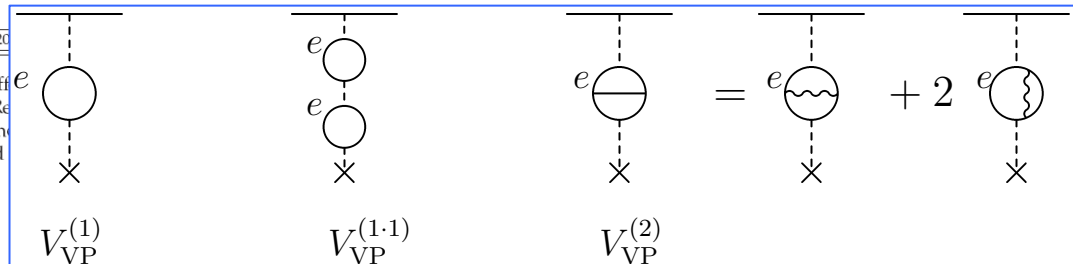
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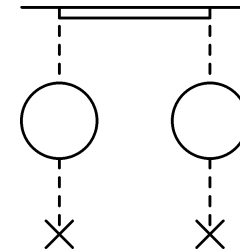


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- well established.

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Sixth-Order Vacuum-Polarization Contribution to the Lamb Shift of Muonic Hydrogen

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to nuclear polarizability $a(Z\alpha)^2 m_r$.

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Second-order corrections to the wave function at the origin in muonic hydrogen and ponium

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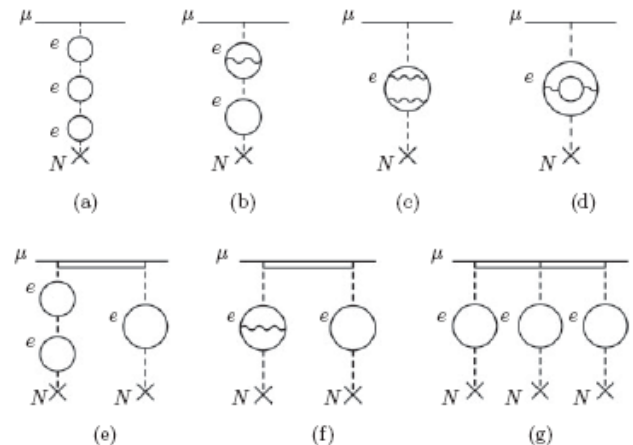


FIG. 2. Characteristic diagrams for free-electron-VP contributions to the Lamb shift in muonic hydrogen of order $\alpha^5 m_\mu$.

Electron-proton scattering: early experiments

- Rosenbluth formula for electron-proton scattering.
- Corrections are introduced
 - QED
 - two-photon exchange
- 'Old Mainz data' dominates.

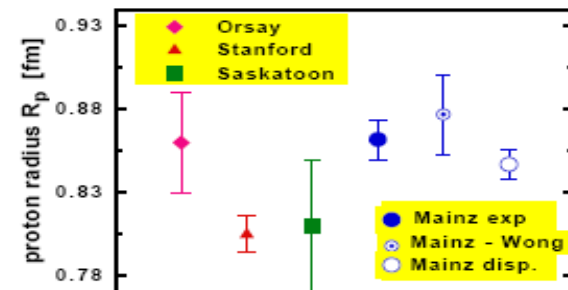


Fig. 13. Proton charge radius determined from the scattering experiments. The presented results are phenomenologically extracted from the scattering at Orsay [81], Stanford [79], Saskatoon [82] and Mainz [80] or found with more sophisticated analysis from Mainz data by Wong [83] and by Mainz theoretical group from a multi-parameter dispersion fit of all available data [84].

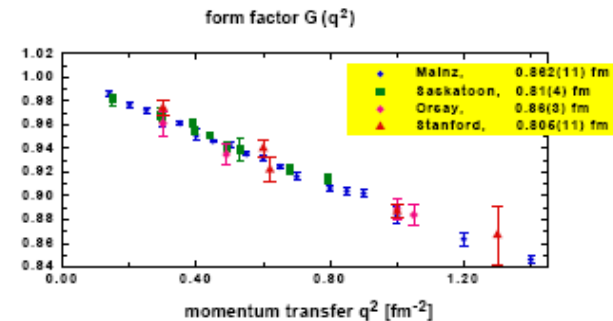


Fig. 14. Data for the electric form factor of the proton from the electron-proton elastic scattering experiments performed at Orsay [81], Stanford [79], Saskatoon [82] and Mainz [80].

Electron-proton scattering: old Mainz experiment

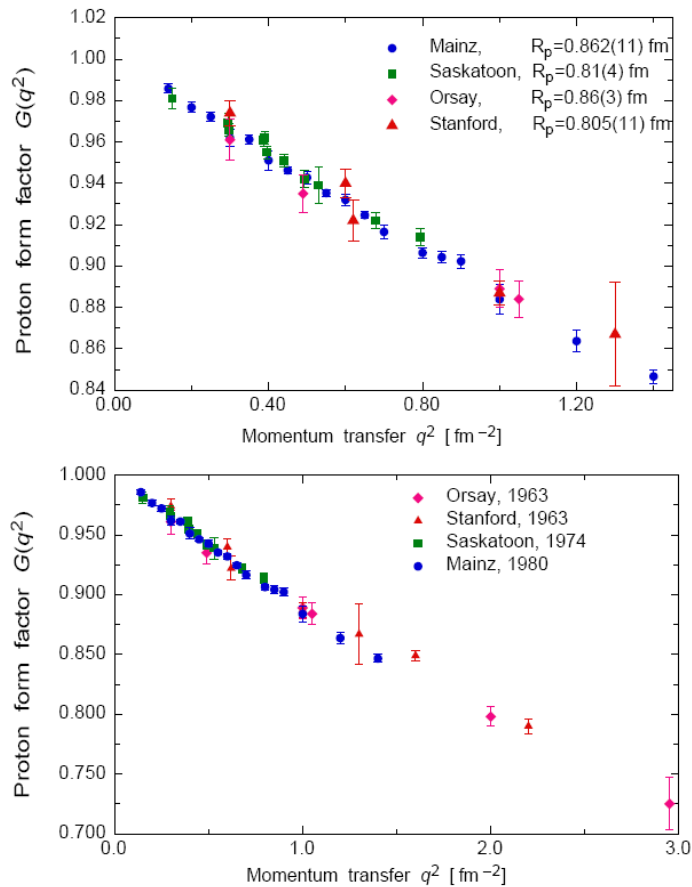


Figure 3: Experimental data of the elastic electron-proton scattering are given for the whole low energy range (a), and they are only for the Mainz-1980 fitting momentum range (b)

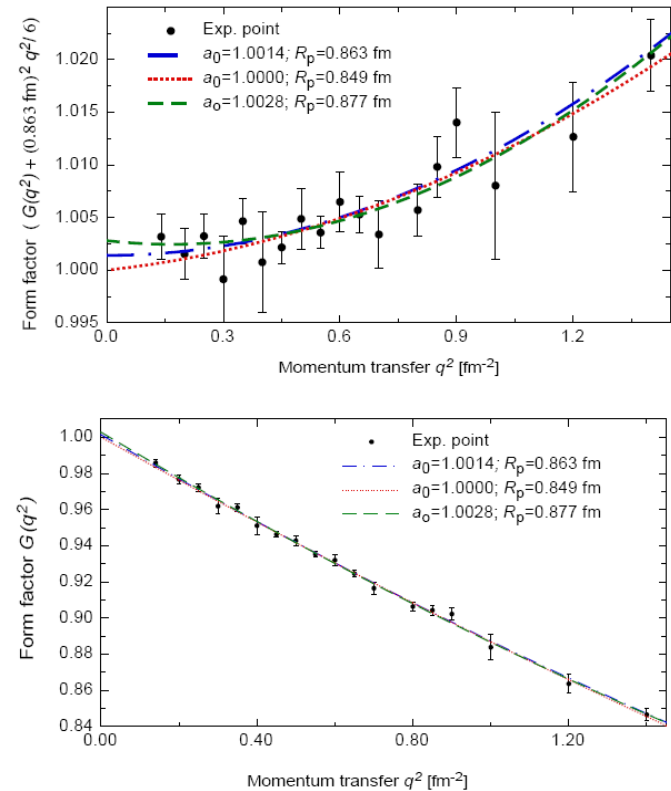


Figure 4: The Wong fits [58] of the Mainz-1980 data [2]

What do we actually know about the proton radius?

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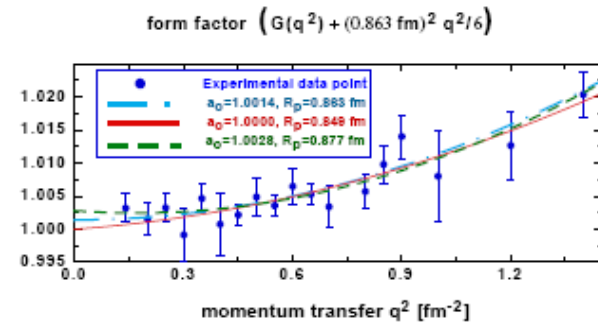
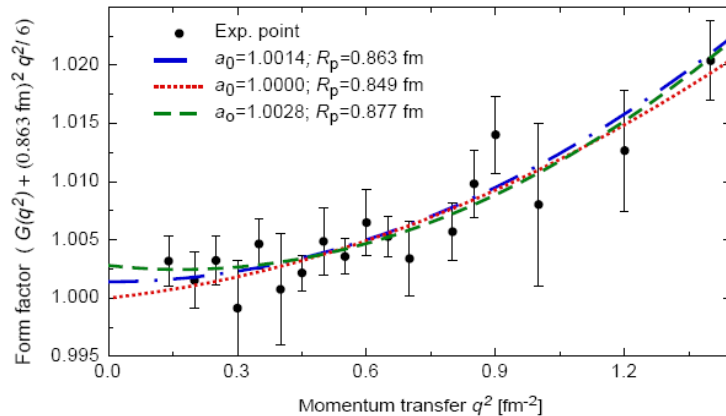


Fig. 15. Fitting the electric form factor of the proton from the Mainz experimental data [80]. Since details of fitting by Wong [83] and a particular result on the coefficient a_2 are not available, we present here similar fits from [36].

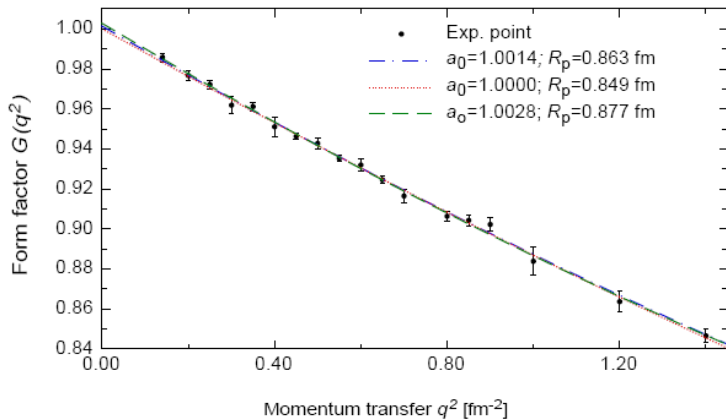


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Normalization problem: a value denoted as $G(q^2)$ is a 'true' form factor as long as systematic errors are introduced.

$$G(q^2) = a_0 (1 + a_1 q^2 + a_2 q^4)$$



Electron-proton scattering: new Mainz experiment

High-precision determination of the electric and magnetic form factors of the proton

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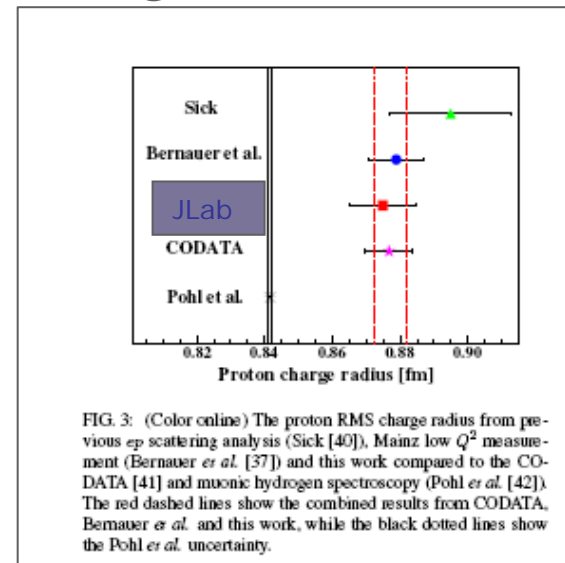
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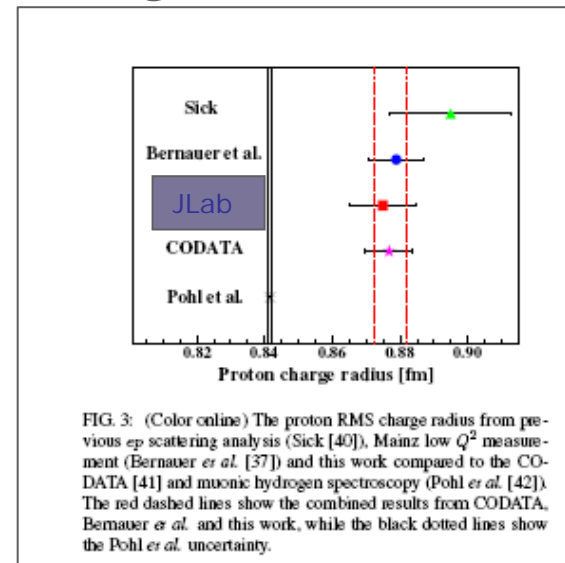
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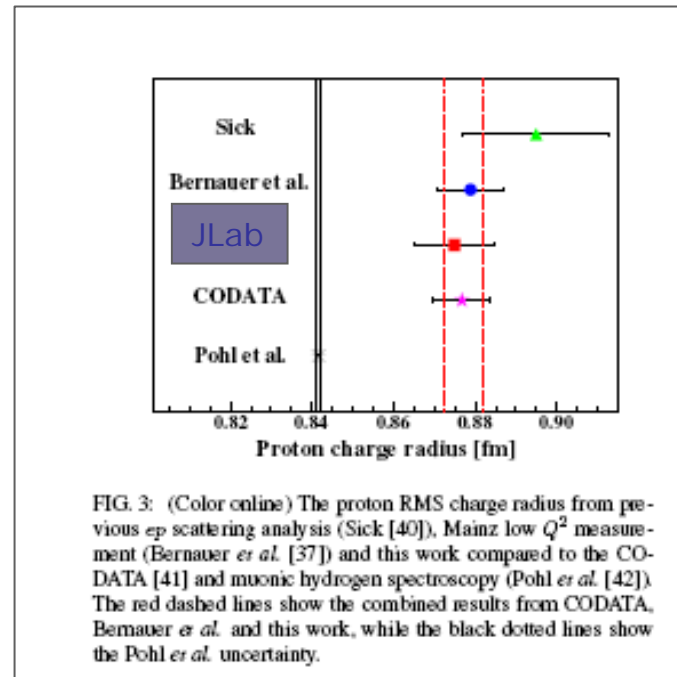
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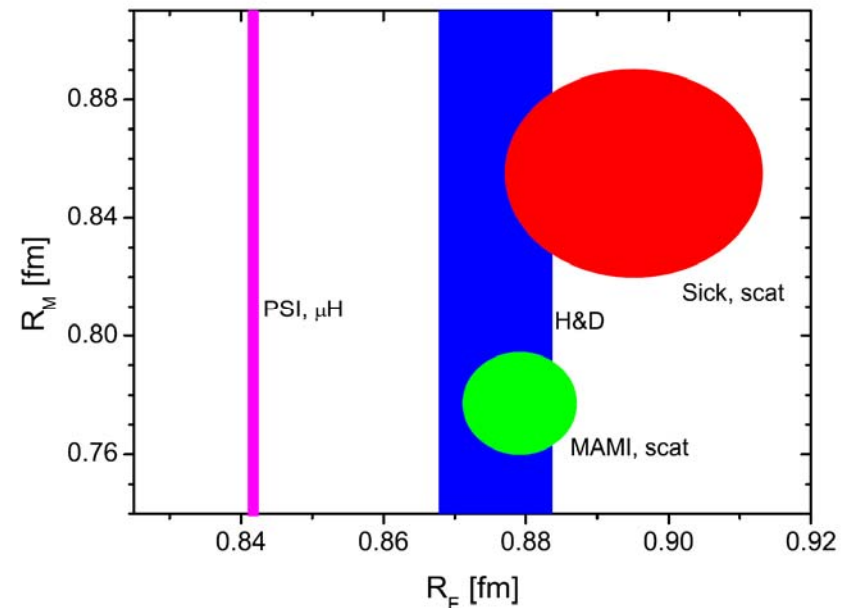
Present status of proton radius: three convincing results

charge radius and the
Rydberg constant: a
strong discrepancy.

- If I would bet:
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 - *error or underestimation of uncalculated terms in 1s Lamb shift theory*
- Uncertainty and model-independence of scattering results.

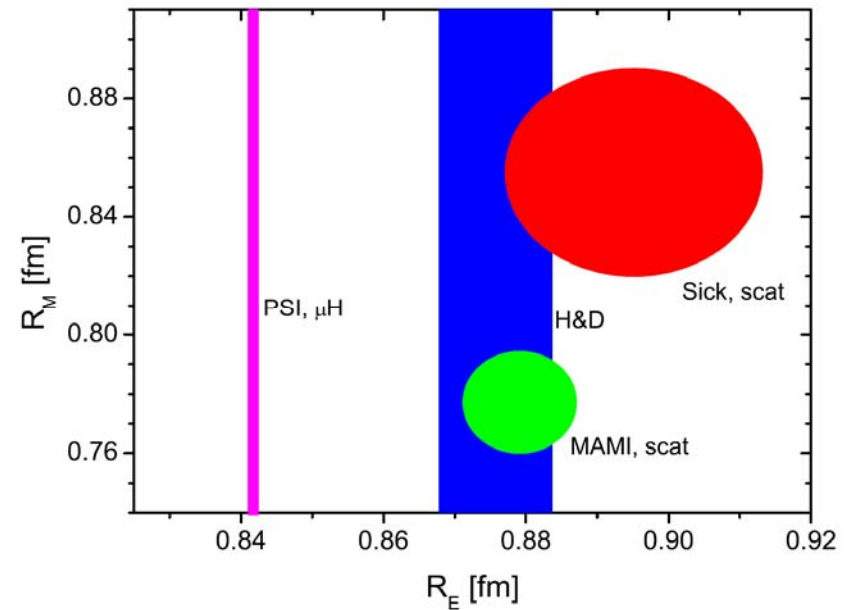
magnetic radius:

a strong discrepancy between different evaluation of the data and maybe between the data



Proton radius determination as a probe of the Coulomb law

hydrogen e-p	$q \sim 1 - 4 \text{ keV}$
muonic hydrogen μ -p	$q \sim 0.35 \text{ MeV}$
scattering e-p	q from few MeV to 1 GeV





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