

Title: Precision calculations for muonic bound states

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Abstract:

# Outline

## Puzzles in muon physics

### Muon decay in orbit

- context: search for muon-electron conversion
- energy regions and radiative corrections

### *g*-factor of a bound electron

- best way to determine the atomic mass of the electron
- possible source of the fine structure constant

## New era of experiments with muons

PSI (Switzerland):

- muonic atoms
- $\mu \rightarrow e + \gamma$
- $\mu + p$  scattering
- $\mu \rightarrow eee$

Fermilab (USA):

- g-2
- Mu2e

J-PARC (Japan):

- g-2
- DeeMe
- COMET
- muonium HFS

Motivated by proton radius puzzle  
See Gil Paz's talk

Muons are indeed a great tool for New Physics searches:  
long-lived, just massive enough, easy to produce, with convenient spin properties.

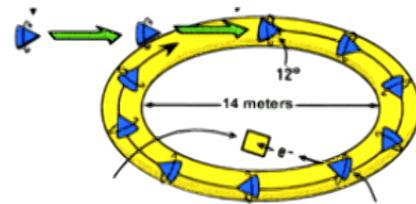
They are also mysterious. Some precise measurements  
disagree with expectations:  
g-2, proton radius, B-decays.

$$B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0} \mu^+ \mu^-$$
$$R_K = \text{BR}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu^+ \mu^-) / \text{BR}(B^+ \rightarrow K^+ e^+ e^-)$$

Doug Bryman's talk

## The puzzle of the muon magnetic moment

The 3.6 sigma discrepancy,



$$a_{\mu}^{\text{exp}} - a_{\mu}^{\text{SM}} = 287(80) \times 10^{-11}$$

PRD 86, 095009 (2012)

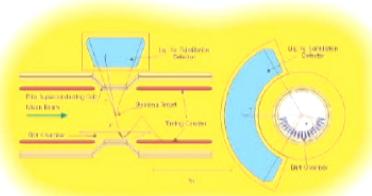
is rather large when compared with other bounds on New Physics.

## Lepton flavor violation: $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$

New bound (MEG @ Paul Scherrer Institute)

$$\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) < 4.2 \cdot 10^{-13}$$

arXiv:1605.05081



This corresponds to the transition dipole moment

$$d_{\mu \rightarrow e} \lesssim 3.5 \cdot 10^{-27} \text{ e} \cdot \text{cm}$$

Sensitive to  
the heaviest  
"new physics"

For comparison: electron EDM  $d_e < 0.87 \cdot 10^{-28} \text{ e} \cdot \text{cm}$  [10.1126/science.1248213](https://doi.org/10.1126/science.1248213)

muon g-2  $d_\mu < 3 \cdot 10^{-22} \text{ e} \cdot \text{cm}$

## How to check $g_{\mu}-2$ ?

Electron g-2 is likely sensitive to the same New Physics; but at present it is used to determine the fine-structure constant.

A new source of alpha is needed.

# How to check $g_\mu - 2$ ?

Nature 442, 516 (2006)  
PRA 89, 052118 (2014)

The second best determination of alpha:  
from atomic spectroscopy

$$R_\infty = \frac{m_e c \alpha^2}{2h}$$

Needed precision:

$$\alpha^2 = \frac{2R_\infty}{c} \cdot \frac{u}{m_e} \cdot \frac{M_X}{u} \cdot \frac{h}{M_X}$$

14 · 10<sup>-11</sup>      7 · 10<sup>-12</sup>      8 · 10<sup>-11</sup>      12 · 10<sup>-11</sup>      124 · 10<sup>-11</sup>  
(but is it for sure?)      Nature 2014 Sturm et al      for Rb (better for He)      improvement needed by factor ~10

~~~~~ → ● Rb  
gives h/m

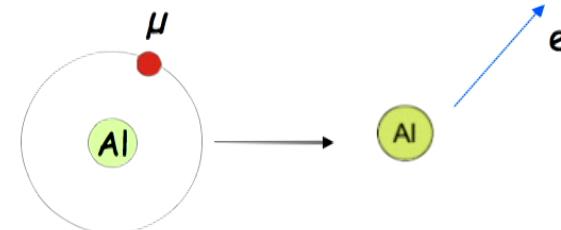


$$\alpha(\text{Rb}) = 1/137.035\,999\,049(90) [66 \cdot 10^{-11}]$$

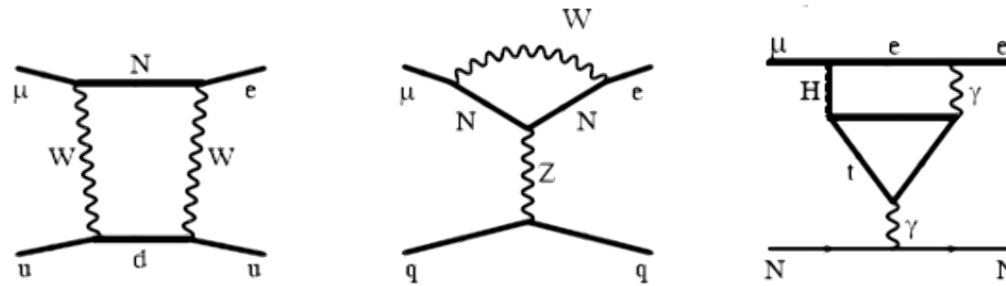
PRL 106, 080801 (2011)

## Muon-electron conversion: probes various types of interactions

New process: muon-electron conversion  
(as well as  $\mu \rightarrow eee$ )



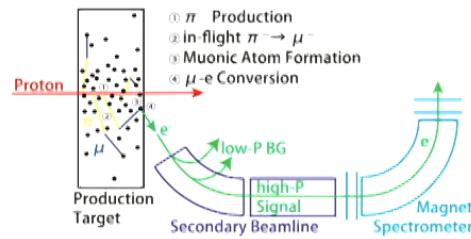
Variety of mechanisms:



Probes also non-dipole interactions  
that are not (directly) probed by  
processes with external photons,  
by gauge invariance requirements.

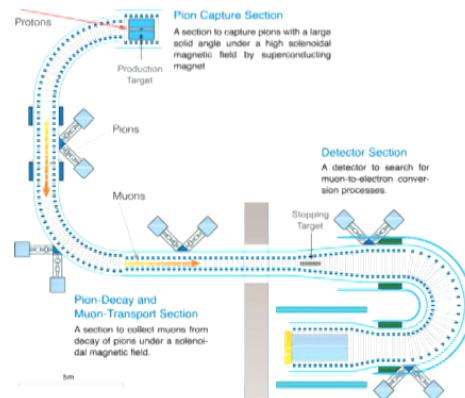
# Muon-electron conversion plans (The Next Big Thing in muon physics)

DeeMe  
J-PARC



starts ~2018;  
aims for  $1e-13$  (graphite target),  
followed by  $1e-14$  (SiC target)

COMET  
Phase 1  
J-PARC



$7e-15$

COMET  
Phase 2  
J-PARC

Mu2e  
Fermilab

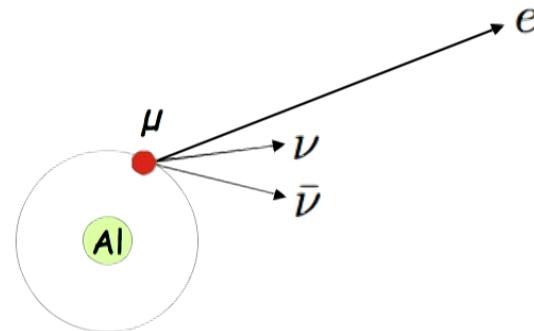


$2.6e-17$

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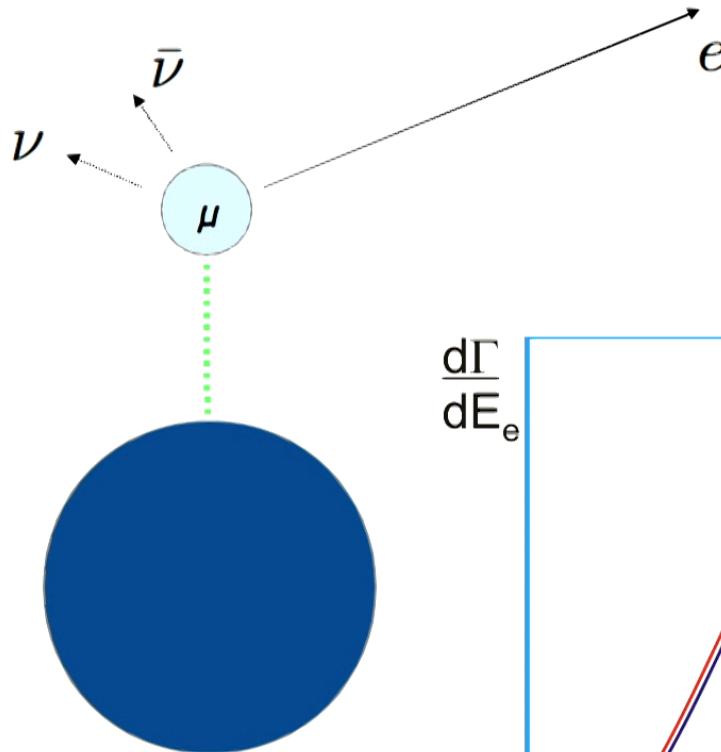
## Background for the conversion search

Normal decay of the muon bound in the atom  
can produce high-energy electron,



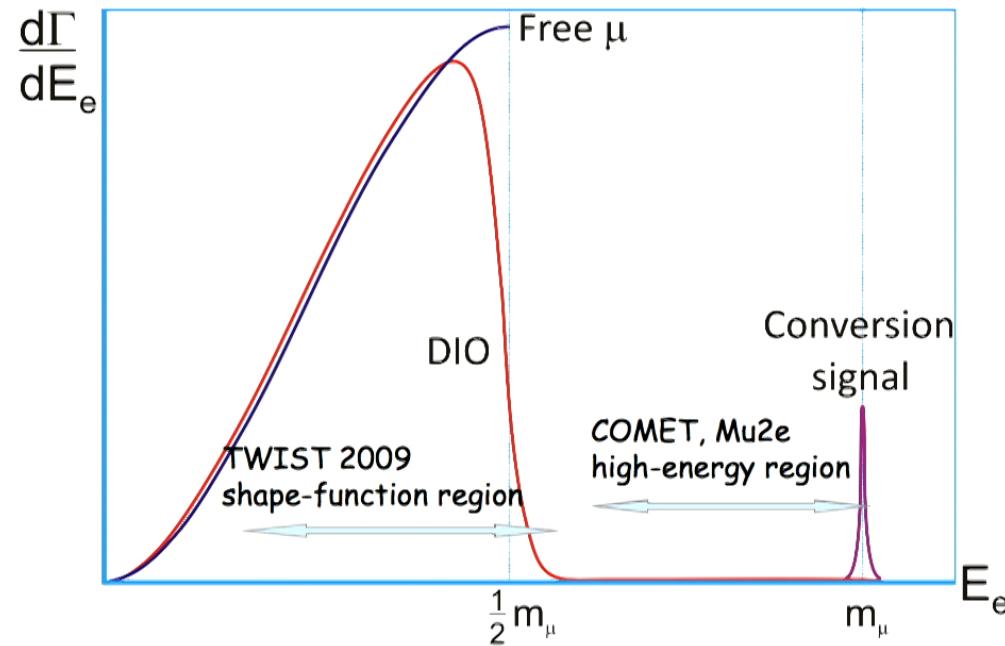
Spectrum has to be well understood.

## Electron spectrum in a bound muon decay



Similar to semileptonic  
heavy quark decays

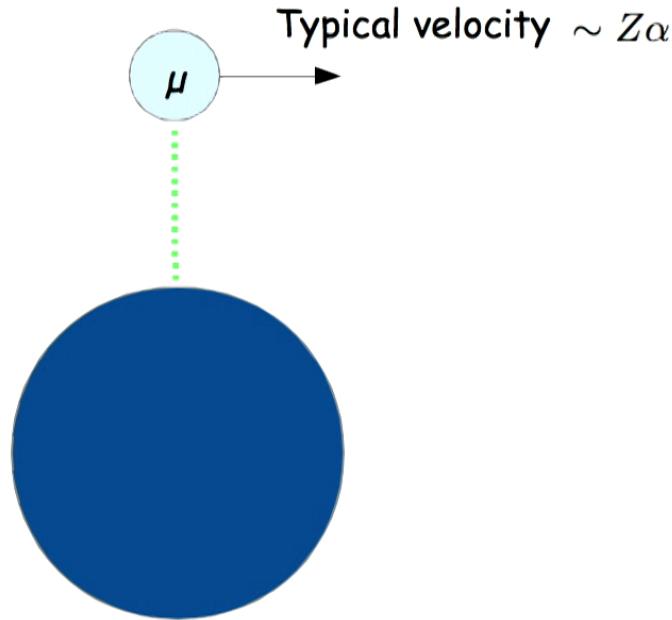
Electron energy can  
be as large as the  
whole muon mass



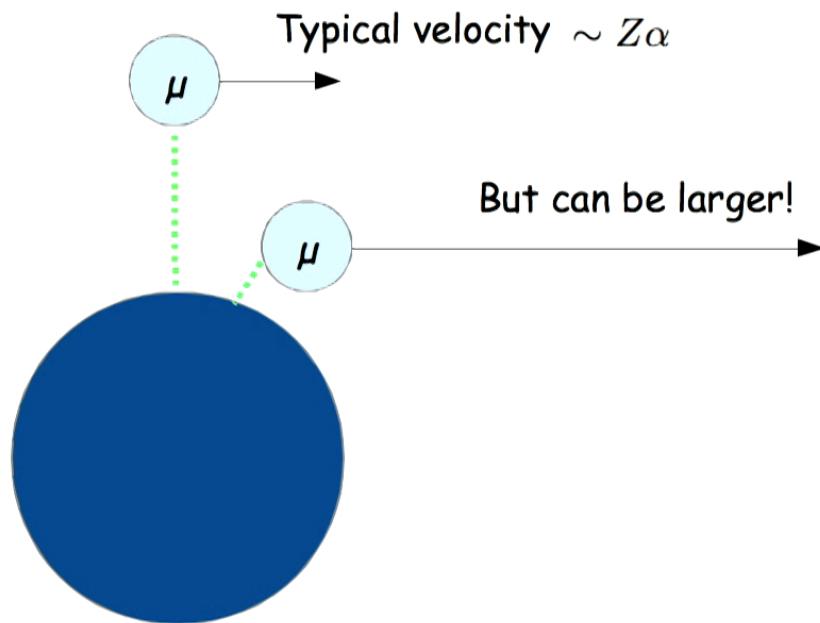
**Muon decay-in-orbit spectrum:  
the shape-function region**

**Experiment: TWIST**

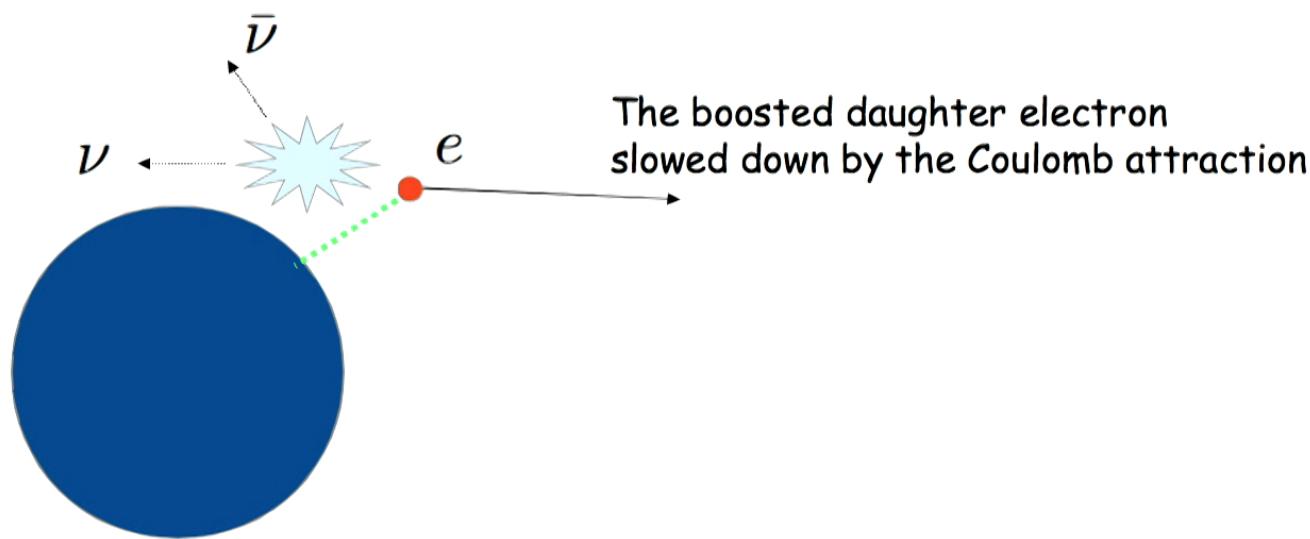
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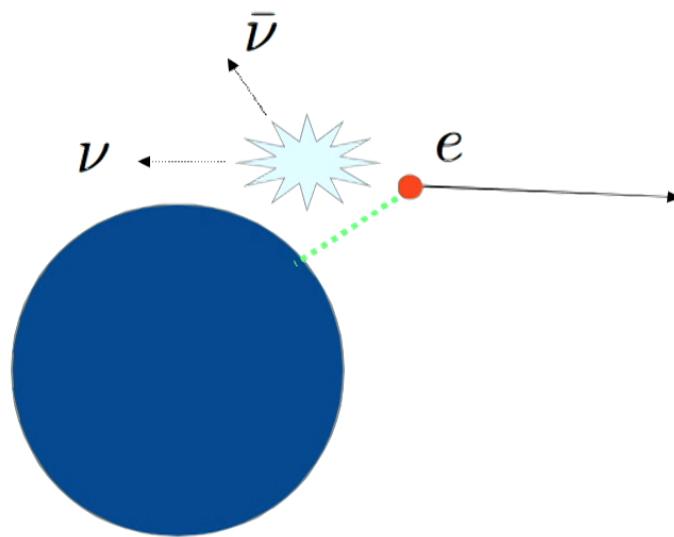
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Net effect:

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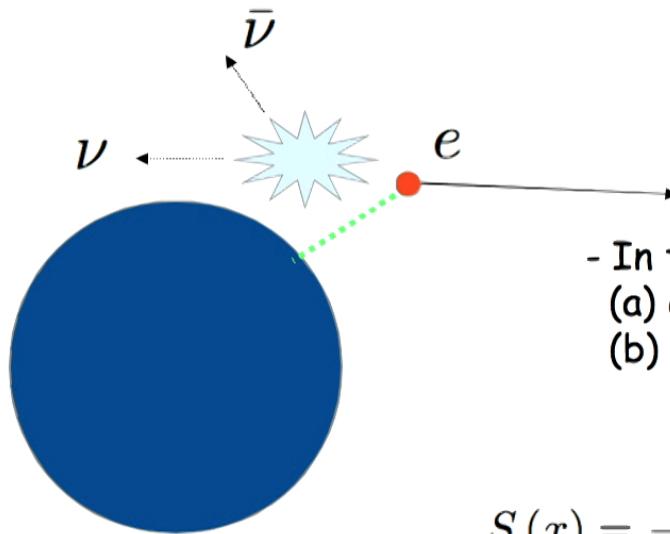
$$\Gamma \rightarrow \left(1 - \frac{(Z\alpha)^2}{2}\right) \Gamma$$

Überall, Phys. Rev. 119, 365 (1960)



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Szafron, AC, PRD 92 (2015) 053004



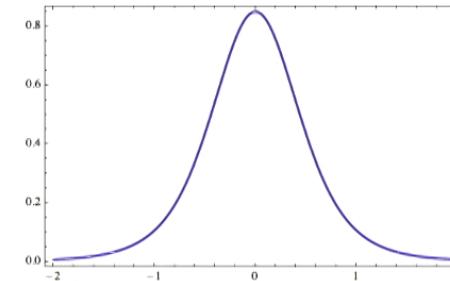
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- In the electron energy spectrum:
  - (a) computable shift
  - (b) smearing  $\rightarrow$  "shape function"

$$S(x) = \frac{8}{3\pi [1 + x^2]^3}$$



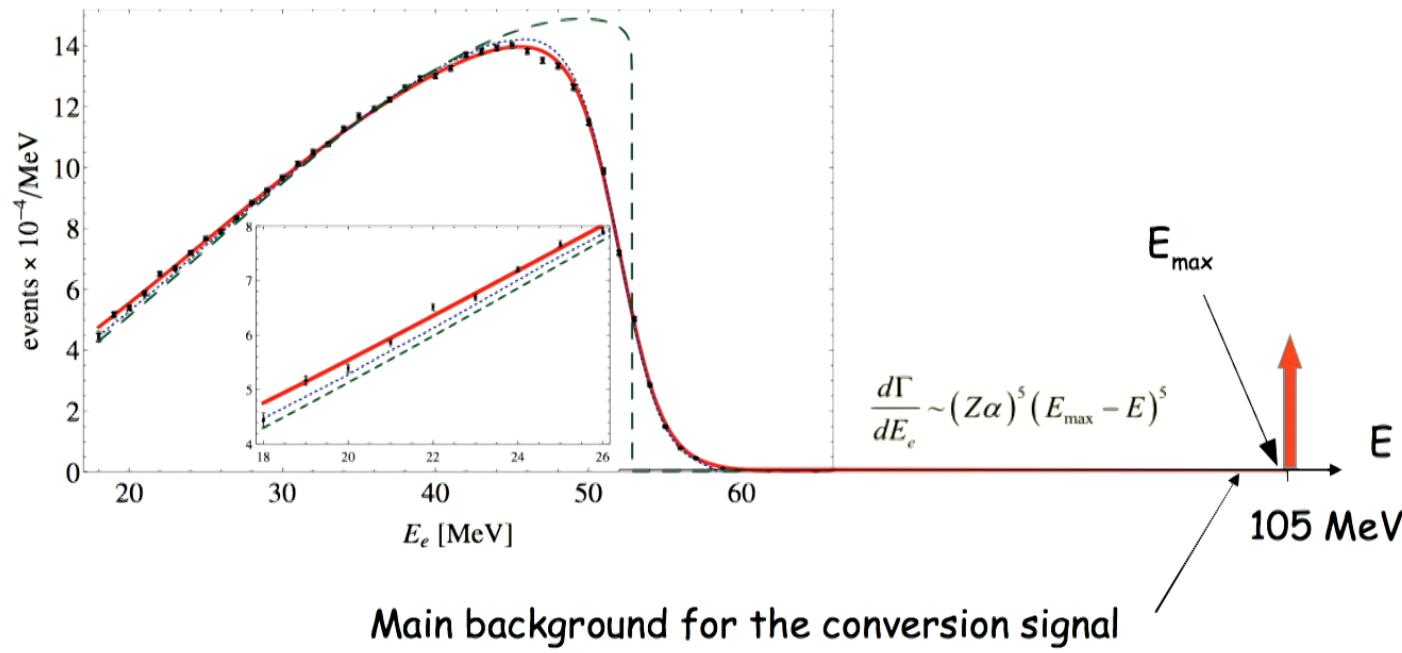
Previously used in heavy mesons, where it cannot be computed from first principles, but can be experimentally accessed.

Mannel, Neubert,  
Bigi, Shifman, Uraltsev, Vainshtein

**Muon decay-in-orbit spectrum:  
the high-energy region**

**Experiments: Mu2e and COMET**

## Spectrum of the bound muon decay

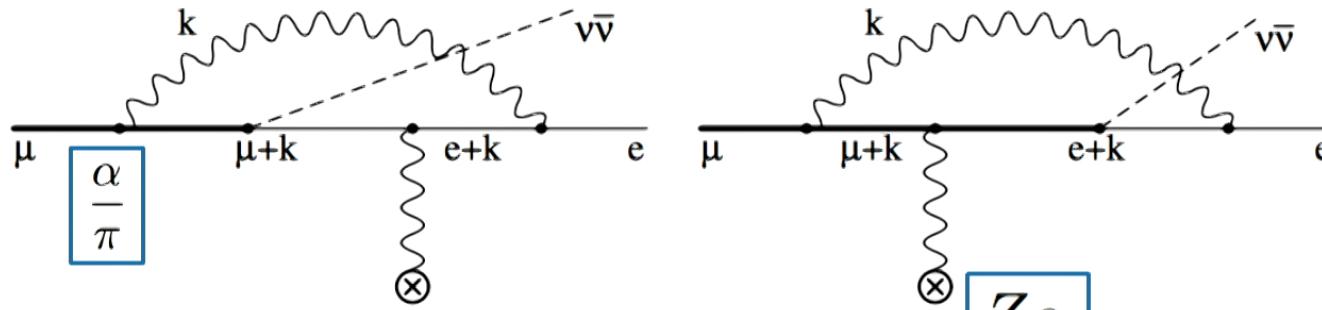


AC, M. Dowling, X. Garcia i Tormo, W. Marciano, R. Szafron  
R. Szafron, AC

## Radiative corrections to the electron spectrum

Expansion near the end-point  $\frac{m_\mu}{\Gamma_0} \frac{d\Gamma}{dE} = \sum_{ijk} B_{ijk} \Delta^i (\pi Z\alpha)^j \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^k$

Three "small" parameters:  $\Delta = \frac{E_{\max} - E}{m_\mu}$



$$B_{550} + \frac{\alpha}{\pi} B_{551} \rightarrow B_{550} \left[ \Delta \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \delta_S + \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \delta_H \right]$$

$$\delta_S = 10.1$$

number of electrons in the  
end-point bin of 1 (0.1) MeV is reduced by 11% (16%)

Szafron, AC, PLB753, 61 (2016)

## Part 2/2: magnetic moment (bound electron)

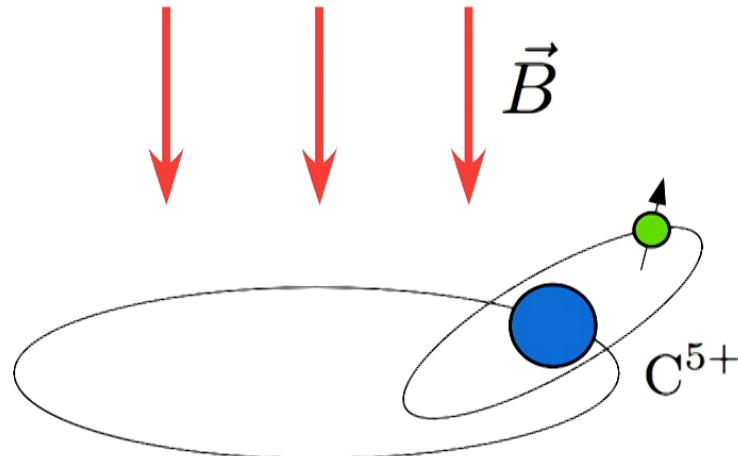
Why useful?

- determination of the electron mass
- future determination of alpha
- indirectly related to muon g-2 (muonium)

Why interesting?

- quantum effects in external field
- simple system, model for more complex ones
- numerical estimates exist for large Z
- should be analytically feasible for small Z (many have tried)

To avoid thermal motion: anchor the electron in an ion

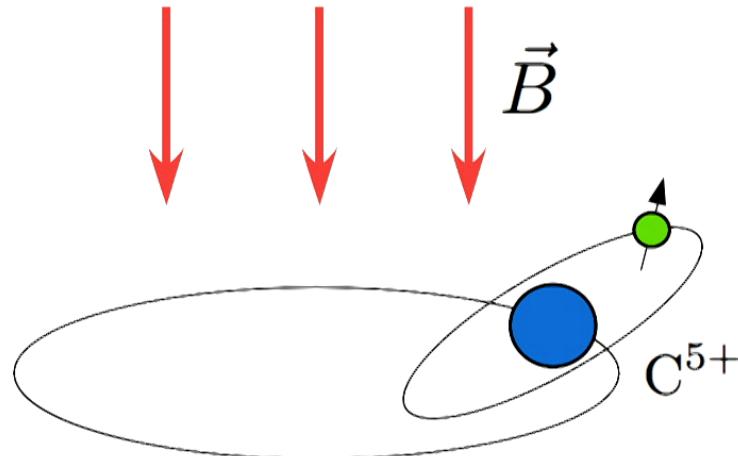


Larmor frequency  $\omega_L = \frac{geB}{2m_e}$

Cyclotron frequency  $\omega_{\text{cycl}} = \frac{ZeB}{M}$

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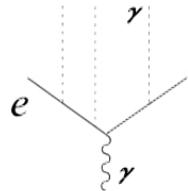
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Side remark:  $M$  and  $m_e$  have different origins! (QCD vs. Higgs)  
Opportunity for searching for time variation.

## Bound-electron $g$ -2: the leading effect

Breit 1928: energy correction due to magnetic field  
in the hydrogen ground state.

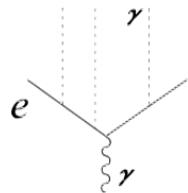


$$\delta E = e \int d^3x f^2 v^* [1 - i\gamma \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} \gamma^5] \gamma^5 \mathbf{A} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Sigma} [1 + i\gamma \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}} \gamma^5] v$$

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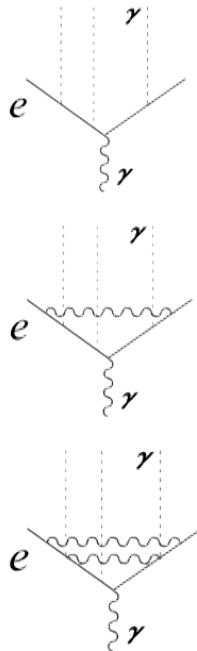


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Important: dependence  
on alpha; may be exploited  
to determine its value.  
(Use ions with various Z)

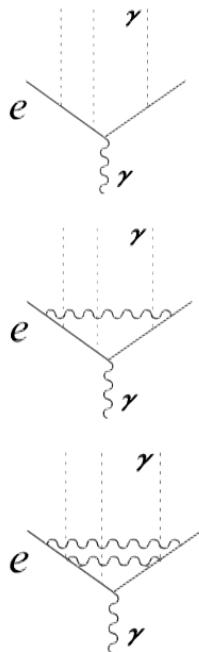
## Bound-electron $g-2$ : binding and loops



$$g = 2 - \frac{2(Z\alpha)^2}{3} - \frac{(Z\alpha)^4}{6} + \dots$$
$$+ \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \left[ 1 + \frac{(Z\alpha)^2}{6} + (Z\alpha)^4 (a_{41} \ln Z\alpha + a_{40}) + \dots \right]$$
$$+ \left( \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \right)^2 \underbrace{\left[ -0.65.. \left( 1 + \frac{(Z\alpha)^2}{6} \right) + (Z\alpha)^4 (b_{41} \ln Z\alpha + b_{40}) + \dots \right]}_{\text{two-loop corrections}}$$

Pachucki,  
AC  
Jentschura,  
Yerokhin  
(2005)

## Recent experimental improvement



$$\begin{aligned}
 g &= 2 - \frac{2(Z\alpha)^2}{3} - \frac{(Z\alpha)^4}{6} + \dots \\
 &\quad + \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \left[ 1 + \frac{(Z\alpha)^2}{6} + (Z\alpha)^4 (a_{41} \ln Z\alpha + a_{40}) + \dots \right] \\
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 b_{41} &= \frac{28}{9} \\
 b_{40} &= -16.4 \\
 &\quad -18.0
 \end{aligned}$$

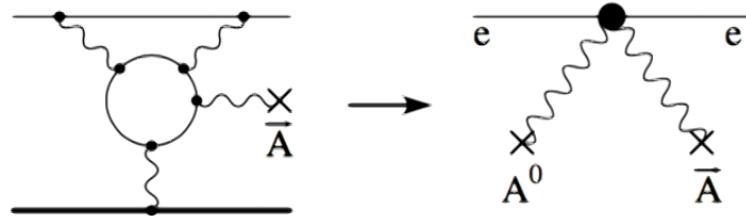
Together, new experiments in Mainz and this theory improved the accuracy of  $m_e$  by about a factor 3,

$$\frac{m_e}{u} = 0.000\ 548\ 579\ 909\ 32(29)(1)$$

$$\frac{m_e}{u} = 0.000\ 548\ 579\ 909\ 067(17)$$

Nature 2014  
Sturm et al

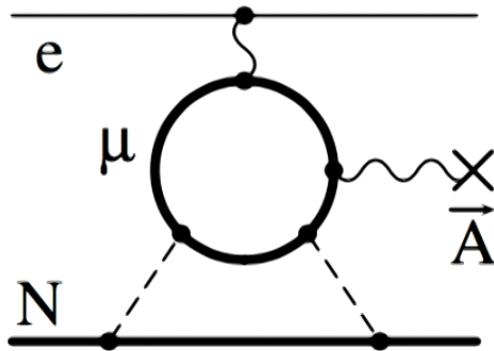
## Light-by-light contributions



$$\delta V = \frac{e^2}{2m} (2\eta\sigma^{ij}B^{ik}\nabla^j E^k + \xi\sigma^{ij}B^{ij}\nabla^k E^k)$$

$$g^{(2)} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \frac{(Z\alpha)^4}{n^3} \left\{ \frac{28}{9} \ln[(Z\alpha)^{-2}] + \frac{258917}{19440} - \frac{4}{9} \ln k_0 - \frac{8}{3} \ln k_3 + \frac{113}{810} \pi^2 - \frac{379}{90} \pi^2 \ln 2 + \frac{379}{60} \zeta(3) \right. \\ \left. + \left(\frac{16 - 19\pi^2}{108}\right)_{LBL} + \frac{1}{n} \left[ -\frac{985}{1728} - \frac{5}{144} \pi^2 + \frac{5}{24} \pi^2 \ln 2 - \frac{5}{16} \zeta(3) \right] \right\},$$

## Light-by-light: virtual-muon “magnetic loop”



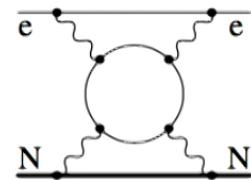
$$g_{\text{ML}}(\text{muon}) = \frac{7}{216} \alpha (Z\alpha)^5 \left( \frac{m_e}{m_\mu} \right)^3$$

Very recently considered in  
Belov et al, 1610.01340, with a result  
larger by two orders of magnitude.

we find that this is the only difference  
with the virtual-electron loop.  
(Karshenboim & Milstein 2002)

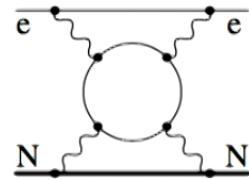
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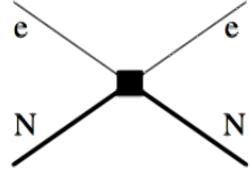


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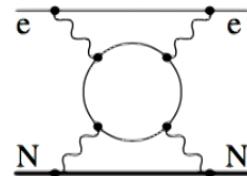
If all loops are  
short-distance (hard)



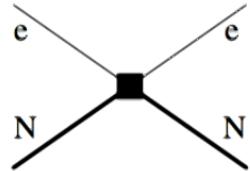
$$\alpha^2 (Z\alpha)^2 \cdot \psi_0^2 \rightarrow \alpha^2 (Z\alpha)^5$$

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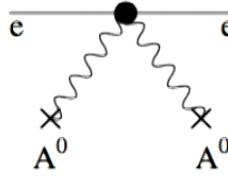
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Pachucki; Eides+Shelyuto  
Dowling, Mondejar, Piclum, AC

If the lowest loop is soft



$$\alpha^2 \langle e^2 \mathbf{E}^2 \rangle \sim \alpha^2 \left\langle \frac{(Z\alpha)^2}{r^4} \right\rangle$$

$$\rightarrow \alpha^2 (Z\alpha)^6 \ln Z\alpha$$

AC, Szafron  
(Jentschura, AC, Pachucki)

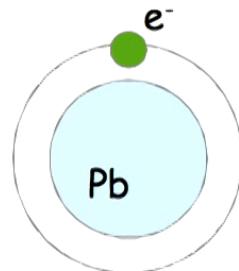
## How large is the resulting Lamb shift?

Decreases 1S-2S splitting by about 280 Hz.

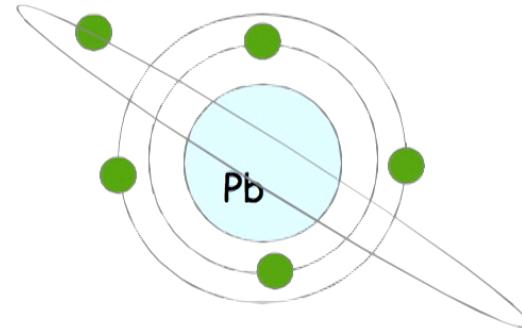
For comparison, the experimental error is 10 Hz ( $\sim 10^{-15}$  relative error)

## A new source of alpha: highly-charged ions

$$g \simeq 2 - \frac{2(Z\alpha)^2}{3} \longrightarrow \frac{\delta\alpha}{\alpha} \sim \frac{1}{(\alpha Z)^2} \sqrt{(\delta g_{\text{exp}})^2 + (\delta g_{\text{th}})^2} \quad \text{large } Z \text{ favorable}$$



Hydrogen-like lead



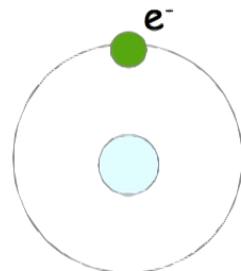
Boron-like lead

There is a combination of  $g$ -factors in both ions where the sensitivity to the nuclear structure largely cancels, but the sensitivity to alpha remains.

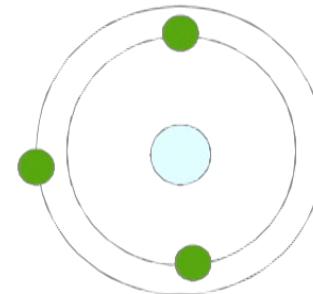
Shabaev, Glazov, Oreshkina, Volotka, Plunien, Kluge, Quint

## New idea: medium-charged ions

$$g \simeq 2 - \frac{2(Z\alpha)^2}{3}$$



Hydrogen-like ion



Lithium-like ion

Combine H-like and Li-like to remove nuclear dependence;  
then combine with a different nucleus, to remove free-g dependence!

Much interesting theoretical work remains to be done!

Yerokhin, Berseneva, Harman, Tupitsyn, Keitel: PRL (2016)

## Summary

- \* Binding modifies the muon decay and the electron g-factor
- \* Theory of both effects is richer than for free particles
- \* Synergy with beautiful experiments: lepton-flavor violation, mass of the electron and, in future, the fine structure constant.
- \* For  $g$ :  $a(Za)^5$  effects almost finished;  $a^2(Za)^5$  hopefully soon.
- \* Opportunities for more theoretical improvement...