Parity Violation in MOLLER **Scattering**

A Search for New Physics at the TeV Scale

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Outline

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- Parity Violating Electron Scattering (PVES) overview
- Parity Violation (PV) in Møller Scattering
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Standard Model of Particle Physics

- Quarks : Strong interaction (QCD)
- Leptons : Electroweak interactions (EW)
- **Bosons: force mediation**
- They are all elegantly contained in, – $\mathsf{SU(3)}_\mathrm{C}$ x $\mathsf{SU(2)}_\mathrm{L}$ x $\mathsf{U(1)}_\mathrm{Y}$
- SM is very successful!
	- Latest : Higgs boson
- \cdot But...
	- Why observable universe is mostly matter not anti-matter?
	- Why neutrinos oscillations (mixed states)?
	- Why three families of quarks and leptons?
	- Some have claimed that Homer **Video Company of the United State of the Homer** Some have claimed that Homer **Simpson** predicted the Higgs

Simpson predicted the Higgs boson a 1998 episode of "The Simpsons" called "The Wizard of Evergreen Terrace,"!

Testing SM and Physics Beyond SM

Standard Model is a "Low energy" effective theory

And there are three approaches to uncover underlying physics

- Energy frontier: direct searches for new particles \leftarrow High energy
	- Tevatron and LHC
- Cosmic frontier : Cosmic rays, cosmic wave background, and dark matter \leftarrow Broad range of energies
	- Fermi telescope : dark matter signatures
	- Planck satellite : CMB
- Precision or intensity frontier: searches for indirect effects \leftarrow Low/modest energy
	- EDM searches, rare decays, double beta decays
	- Parity violation in electron scattering

Parity Violating Electron Scattering

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M^{EM} = \frac{4\pi\alpha}{Q^2} Q_\ell \mu^{\mu} J_{\mu}^{EM}
$$

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M^{NC} = \frac{-G_F}{2\sqrt{2}} (g_V^{\ell} \mu^{\mu} + g_A^{\ell} \mu^5) (J_{\mu}^{NC} + J_{\mu 5}^{NC})
$$

Differential scattering cross section,

Due to PV nature of the neutral current, the differential cross section is dependent on the helicity of the electron

The difference in helicity correlated scattering cross section is known as the PV asymmetry,

Parity Violating Electron Scattering

Challenges in PVES

- Very small PVES asymmetries
	- In the order of 10^{-6} to 10^{-9}
	- Need so many electron scattering events
- High intensity
	- High electron beam current and longer targets for more luminosity
- High electron beam polarization
- High precision
	- Custom detectors (low noise) and dedicated electronics (high precision)
	- Measure electron beam polarization high precision (-1%)
	- Keep many different systematic effects under control

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Continuous Electron Beam Accelerator Facility @ Jefferson Lab

How to Do A PVES Experiment

Helicity of electron beam flipped periodically, delayed helicity reporting to prevent direct electrical pick up of reversal signal by detectors Detector signal integrated for each helicity window and asymmetry formed by quartet (QRT)

PVES Progress

- **Noise**
	- Electronics, target density fluctuations, detector resolution

acceptance detectors

- **Systematics**
	- Helicity-correlated beam asymmetry (false asym.), backgrounds, precision beam polarimetry, precise Q²

PV in Møller Scattering

A Search for New Physics at the TeV Scale

Proposed MOLLER experiment will be the best contact interaction search for leptons at low OR high energy

- Best current limit on contact interaction scales available from LEP2
	- LEP2 only sensitive to parity conserving quantities (g 2 _{RL} and g 2 _{RR}+g 2 _{LL})

Where ${\sf g}_{\sf ij}$ = ${\sf g}^*_{\sf ij}$ are contact interaction coupling constants for chirality projections of the electron spinor

– Model independent mass scale for parity violating interactions :

$$
\mathcal{L}_{e_1e_2} = \sum_{\substack{i,j=L,R\\i,j=L,R}} \frac{g_{ij}^2}{2\Lambda^2} \bar{e}_i \gamma_\mu e_i \bar{e}_j \gamma^\mu e_j \qquad \qquad \frac{\Lambda}{(g_{RR}^2 - g_{LL}^2)} = 7.5 \text{ TeV}
$$
\nThe MOLLER measurement will extend the current sensitivity of 4-electron contact interactions, both qualitatively and quantitatively

PV in Møller Scattering

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• Measure weak charge of electron precisely $\rm Q_{W}^e \sim 0.045$

$$
\frac{\delta Q_W^e}{Q_W^e} = 2.4\% \rightarrow A_{\text{new}} \sim 0.001 \cdot G_F \quad \rightarrow
$$

– Unprecedented sensitivity

$$
\frac{\Lambda}{(g_{RR}^2 - g_{LL}^2)} = 7.5 \text{ TeV}
$$

 $\frac{1}{\pi}$

• Provide best projected uncertainty weak mixing angle at any energy scale $\delta \sin^2 \theta_W = \pm 0.00024$ (stat.) ± 0.00013 (syst.) $\rightarrow \sim 0.1\%$

New Physics beyond SM

New Physics beyond SM

Dark Z to invisible Particles

Davoudiasl et. al. arXiv: 1507.00352v2 and 1402.3620

- Dark Z boson at low masses
- Effect will be dependent on the mass of the dark Z
- MOLLER will offer an excellent opportunity to constrain such dark matter interaction
	- Observe such dark Z boson as a shift in the weak mixing angle value

MOLLER Kinematics and Acceptance

• In Møller scattering back and forward scattered electrons can be detected $E_{COM} = 53$ MeV θ

• With odd number of sectors in an unique design, MOLLER experiment gets 100% acceptance

Identical Particles

MOLLER Apparatus

MOLLER Appararus

Technical Challenges

- High (150 GHz) scattered electron rate
- High luminosity
	- 1.5 m : 5 KW at 85 uA
- Complete azimuthal acceptance at θ_{lab} of 5 mrad
	- pair of toroidal spectrometers
	- Hightly segmented integrating detectors
- Redundant 0.4 % level beam polarimetry

Polarized Electron Source

Electron Gun Requirements

- Ultrahigh vacuum
- No field emission
- Maintenance free

- Beam helicity is reversed at a pseudo-random pattern
- Sequences of helicity window multiplets will be used to compute the asymmetry
	- MOLLER will use 2 kHz reversal rate

Liquid Hydrogen Target

- Need as much thickness as technically possible with least radiative losses
	- Trade-off between counting statistics and systematic effects
- Default design will be from the previous generation MOLLER experiment (E158)

Toroidal Spectrometer

- Provides full azimuthal acceptance
- Have water cooled warm copper coils
- The collimators define the acceptance of the experiment
- Strategic placement of collimators will minimize soft photon backgrounds by achieving a two-bounce system

Toroidal Spectrometer

- Møller and ep scattering signals are separated at the detector plane
- Optics are still being fine tuned,
	- Reduce backgrounds
	- Optimize the asymmetry
	- Improve symmetric forward/backward

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Integrating Detectors Overview

- Detectors are radially and azimuthally segmented
- For detecting Møller and e-p electrons,
	- Quartz with air light guide and PMTs
- For Pions and Muons
	- A calorimeter style detector behind a shielding wall
- Beam and target fluctuations
	- Luminosity monitors

MOLLER Backgrounds

- The primary irreducible backgrounds : ep elastic and inelastic scattering
- Other background sources
	- Photons and neutrons from 2 bounce collimation system
	- Pions and muons : photo-production and DIS

Rate (GHz/5mm)

Statistics and Systematics Errors

MOLLER Workforce Outlook

- Majority of PVES (Qweak and PREX) collaborators are committed to MOLLER
- Estimate 12-15 post-docs FTEs and 25 PhD students at the peak!
- Funding from DOE (NP), NSF and NSERC (Canada)
	- Majority of user funding would be redirected towards MOLLER from existing grants
	- Expecting new foreign participation

Summary and Outlook

- Best contact interaction reach for leptons at any energy
	- Similar to LHC reach with semi-leptonic amplitudes
	- To do better for a 4-lepton contact interaction would require:
		- Giga-Z factory, linear collider, neutrino factory or muon collider
- The unique discovery capability in MOLLER will be very important
	- If LHC sees any anomaly in runs 2 and 3 (-2022)
- MOLLER also provides discovery scenarios beyond LHC signatures
	- Hidden weak scales
	- Lepton number violating interactions
	- Light dark matter mediators
- Modular experiment design enable multiple runs
	- Allows other experiments to come to the floor between MOLLER runs
	- Design will allow modest time for deinstallation/installation
- Commissioning and first physics run would yield major results

Supplementary

PVES Historical Significance

- Confirmation of the EW SM from the first PVES experiment at SLAC by Prescott et. al.
- First measurement of parity-violation in the neutral weak current!
	- Measured the weak mixing angle to be around $44: A$ small axial vector(e) **X** vector(f) weak neutral interaction!

$$
U(1)_Y \rightarrow B_\mu
$$

 $SU(2)_{L} \rightarrow W_{\mu}^{1}, W_{\mu}^{2}, W_{\mu}^{3}$ $\begin{pmatrix} A_{\mu} \ Z_{\mu} \end{pmatrix} \; = \; \begin{pmatrix} \cos\!\theta_{\rm W} & \sin\!\theta_{\rm W} \ -\sin\!\theta_{\rm W} & \cos\!\theta_{\rm W} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} {\rm B}_{\mu} \ {\rm W}_{\mu}^3 \end{pmatrix}$

DEUTERIUM TARGET

 $W-S$

 $\left(\begin{smallmatrix}E^{\circ}\\e^{-}\end{smallmatrix}\right)_{\!\scriptscriptstyle\mathfrak{p}}$

Prescott et al., PLB 77, 347 (1978) Prescott et al., PLB 84, 524 (1978)

Running of the weak mixing angle overlapped with the various data points. Source : Erler and Su, arXiv:1303.5522

Polarimetry for MOLLER

- Compton polarimeter
	- High precision continuous measurements
- Møller polarimeter
	- High precision invasive measurements
- Mott polarimeter at the injector
	- Cross check for calibration and absolute normalization
- Upcoming polarimetry measurements
	- High precision operation at 1 GeV (PREX, 1%), 2 GeV (CREX, 0.8%)

MOLLER Auxiliary Measurements

- PV asymmetry in inelastic electron proton scattering
	- Main input to improving box diagram uncertainties of the weak charge of the proton
	- QCD interplay : quark hadron duality
- Transverse asymmetry measurements
	- Møller analyzing power with transverse polarized electron beam : highly sensitive check of the MOLLER apparatus for systematic effects
	- Parasitic measurements of elastic and inelastic electron proton scattering at kinematic regime never measured before
	- Potential opportunity to measure on heavier nuclei

PVES Progress

Looking to Future : Technical challenges :

- Random beam fluctuations limits : present (Qweak) vs. Future (MOLLER)
- Beamline monitor precision : present (Qweak) vs. Future (MOLLER)

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How to Do A PVES Experiment

 $σ_A = 230-260$ ppm A_{Phys} = -0.200 ppm **To get 3% (δAPhys= 0.006 ppm) Need about 1 year of running**

MOLLER Collaboration

Expression of interest by collaborating institutions

- Polarized source: UVa, JLab, Miss.St.
- Hydrogen Target: JLab, CalState LA, Miss.St.
- Spectrometer Magnets: Canada, ANL, MIT, SBU, UVa
- Focal Plane Detectors: Syracuse, Canada, JLab, UNC A&T, VaTech, SBU
- Luminosity Monitors: VaTech, Ohio
- Pion Detectors: SBU, LATech, UNC A&T
- Tracking Detectors: William & Mary, Canada, SBU, UVa, INFN Roma, MIT
- Electronics: Canada, JLab, UMass \bullet
- Beamline Instrumentation: SBU, JLab, VaTech \bullet
- Polarimetry: UVa, Syracuse, JLab, CMU, ANL, Miss.St., Clermont-Ferrand, Mainz, William & Mary, \bullet Temple
- Data Acquisition: Ohio, Rutgers, JLab
- Simulations: SBU, UMass, Canada, Berkeley, Idaho State, UVa, LaTech \bullet