

# The MUSE experiment at PSI: Status and Plans

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## The Proton Radius Puzzle

- What is the problem ?
- How do we solve it: MUSE ?

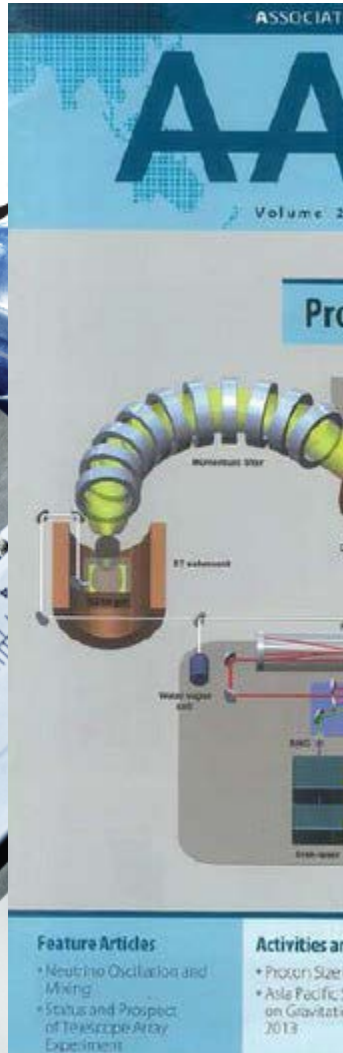


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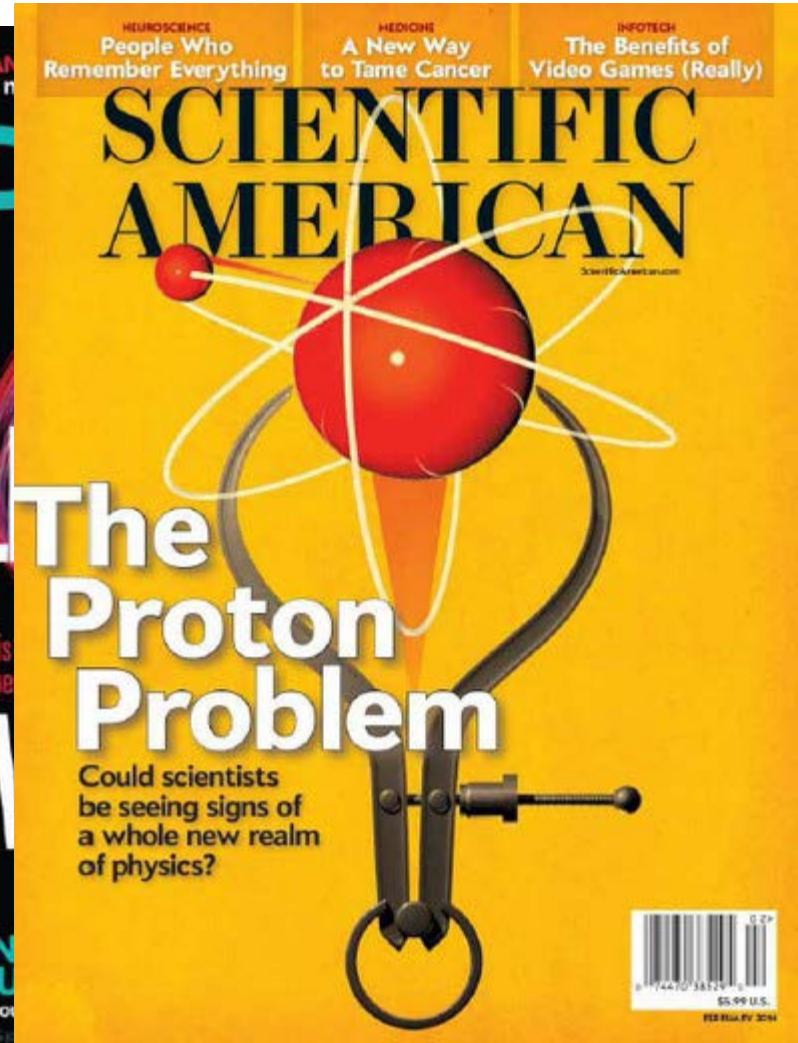
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# The Proton Radius Puzzle



What exactly is the puzzle ?

# How do you measure proton radius?

- Scattering experiments

(Hofstadter @ Stanford: 1950s -electron scattering)

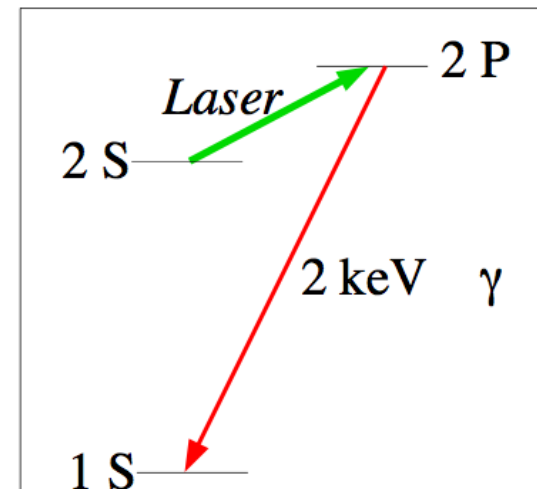
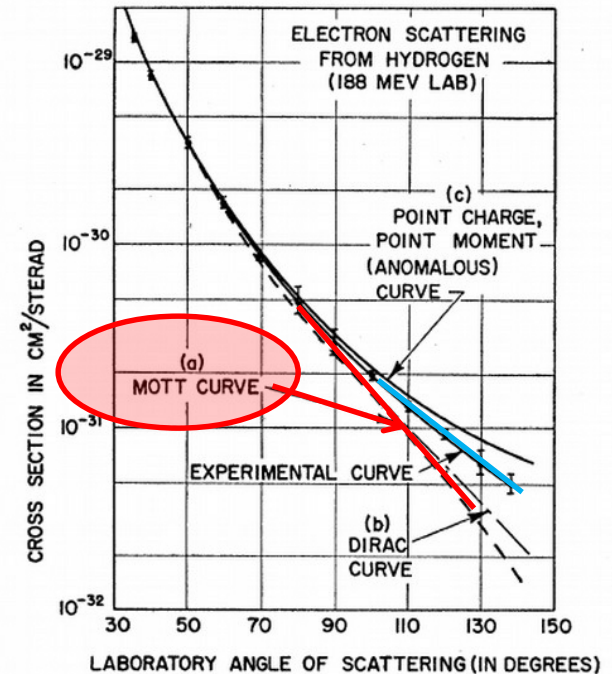
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\Big|_{point} \times (G(Q^2))^2$$

$$\langle r_E^2 \rangle = -6 \frac{dG(Q^2)}{dQ^2}\Big|_{Q^2=0}$$

- Atomic Energy Levels

$$\Delta E_1 = \frac{2\pi\alpha}{3} |\phi^2(0)| \langle r_E^2 \rangle$$

- Lamb Shift: Finite size of proton changes hydrogen energy levels
- Extract from hydrogen spectroscopy



# Electron Scattering Measurements

- Cross section for ep scattering (Born approximation)

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \Big|_{Mott} \frac{1}{\varepsilon(1+\tau)} \overbrace{\left[ \tau G_M^2 + \varepsilon G_E^2 \right]}^{\sigma_R}; \quad \text{with } \tau = \frac{Q^2}{4M^2} ; \quad \varepsilon = \left[ 1 + 2(1+\tau) \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right]^{-1}$$

current density

charge distr.

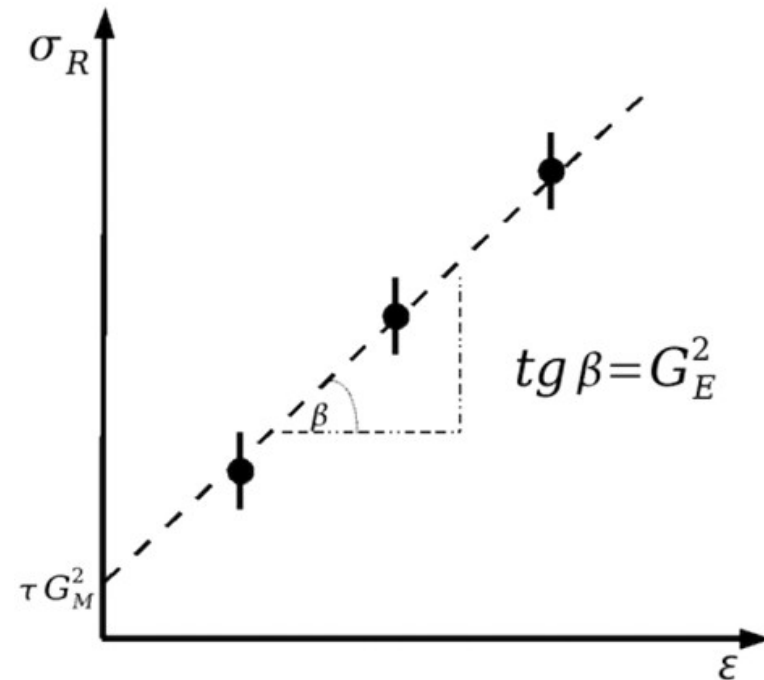
$G_E^2(0) = 1; \quad G_M^2(0) = \mu_p$

- Classical **Rosenbluth separation**

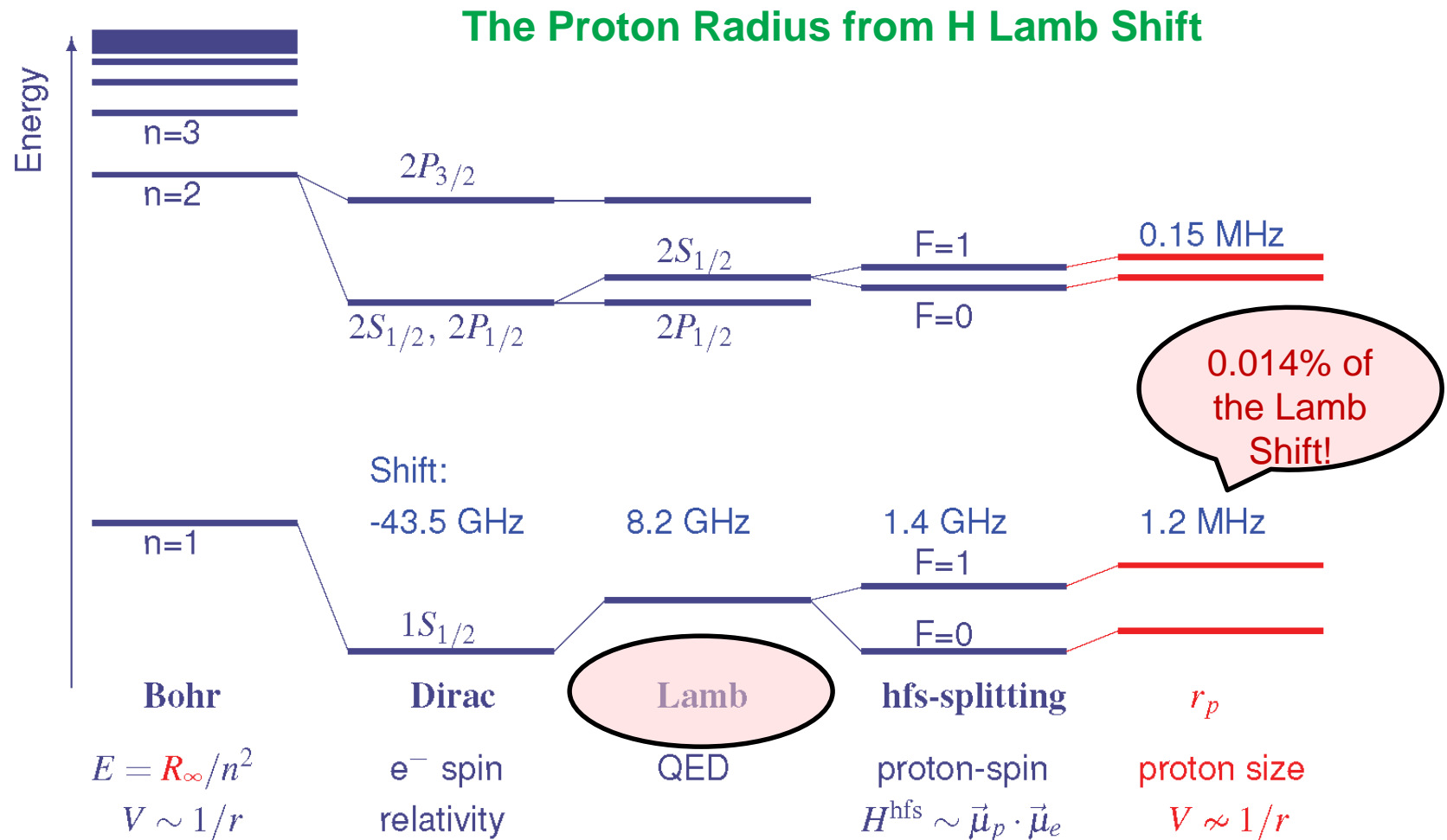
- measure the reduced cross section at several values of  $\varepsilon$  (angle/beam energy combination) while keeping  $Q^2$  fixed
- linear fit to get intercept and slope

- Note:  $G_M$  is suppressed at low  $Q^2$   
 $\rightarrow G_E$  dominates cross section at low  $Q^2$

- **Alternatively:** direct fits of  $G_M(Q^2)$  and  $G_E(Q^2)$  to experimental cross section data



# Hydrogen Spectroscopy Measurements



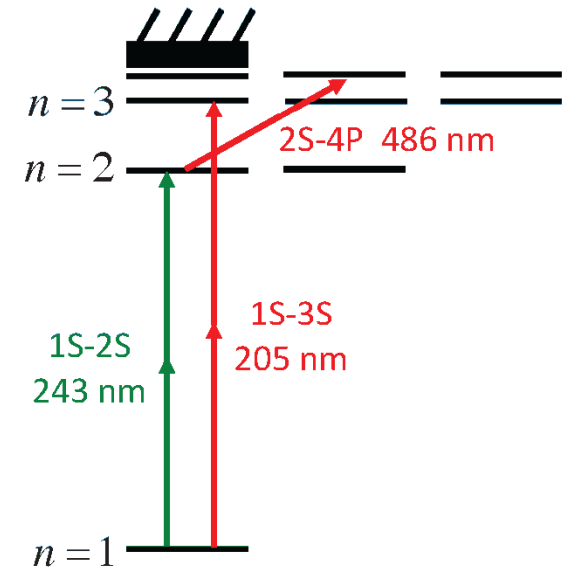
comparing measurements with QED calculations that include corrections for finite size of proton provide indirect but very precise value for  $\langle r_E^2 \rangle$

# Hydrogen Atom Spectroscopy

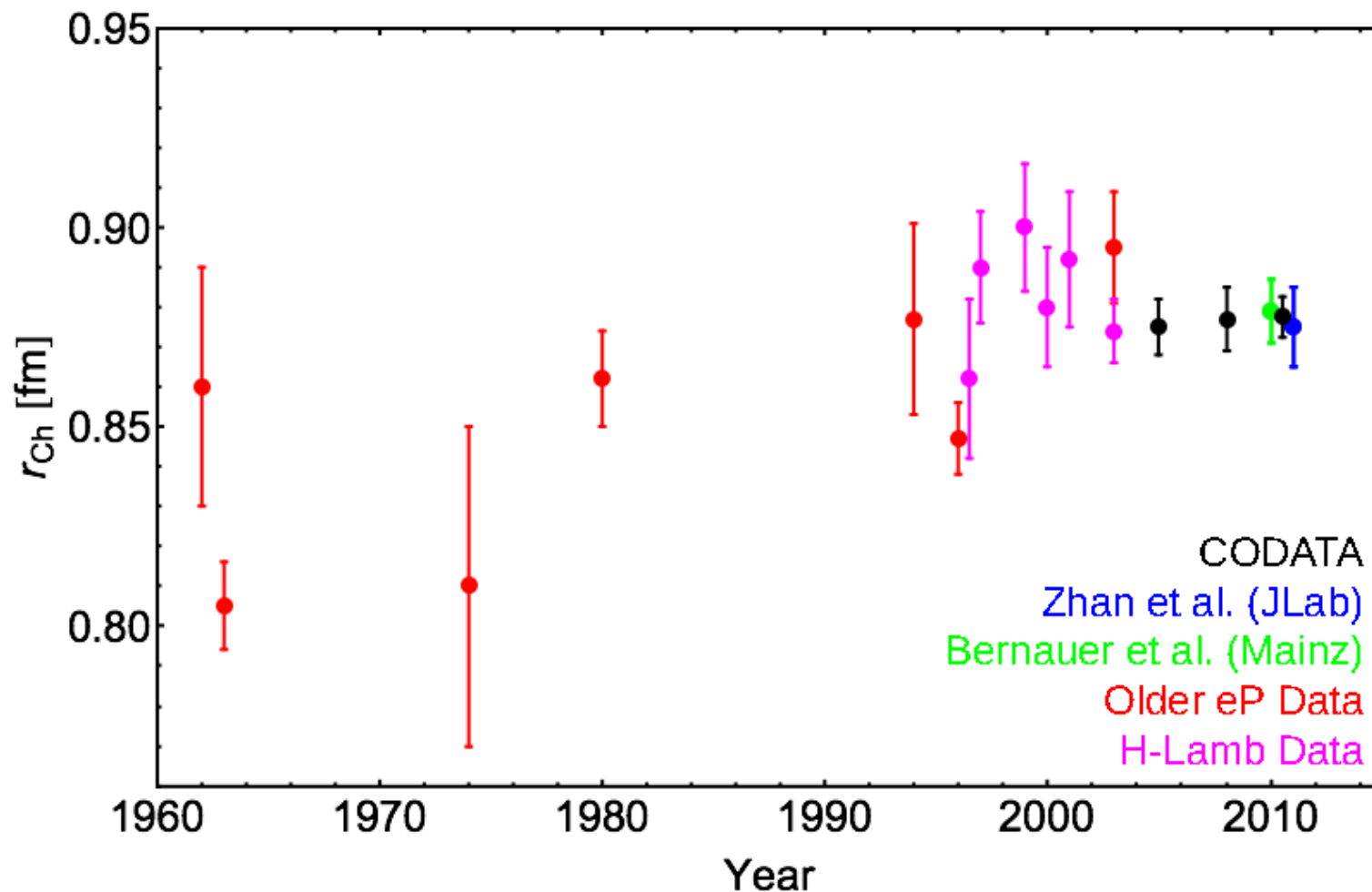
$$E_{nS} \simeq -\frac{R_\infty}{n^2} + \frac{L_{1S}}{n^3}$$

Lamb shift:  $L_{1S}(r_p) = 8171.636(4) + 1.5645 \langle r_p^2 \rangle$  MHz

- 2 measurements required to determine  $R_\infty$  and  $r_p$ 
    - A **single** narrow transition: 1S-2S ( $\Delta\nu = 1.3$  Hz) measured with high accuracy.
    - Other transitions: natural width  $\sim$  MHz.
- Each measurement, combined with 1S-2S, yields a **correlated pair**  $(R_\infty, r_p)$ .



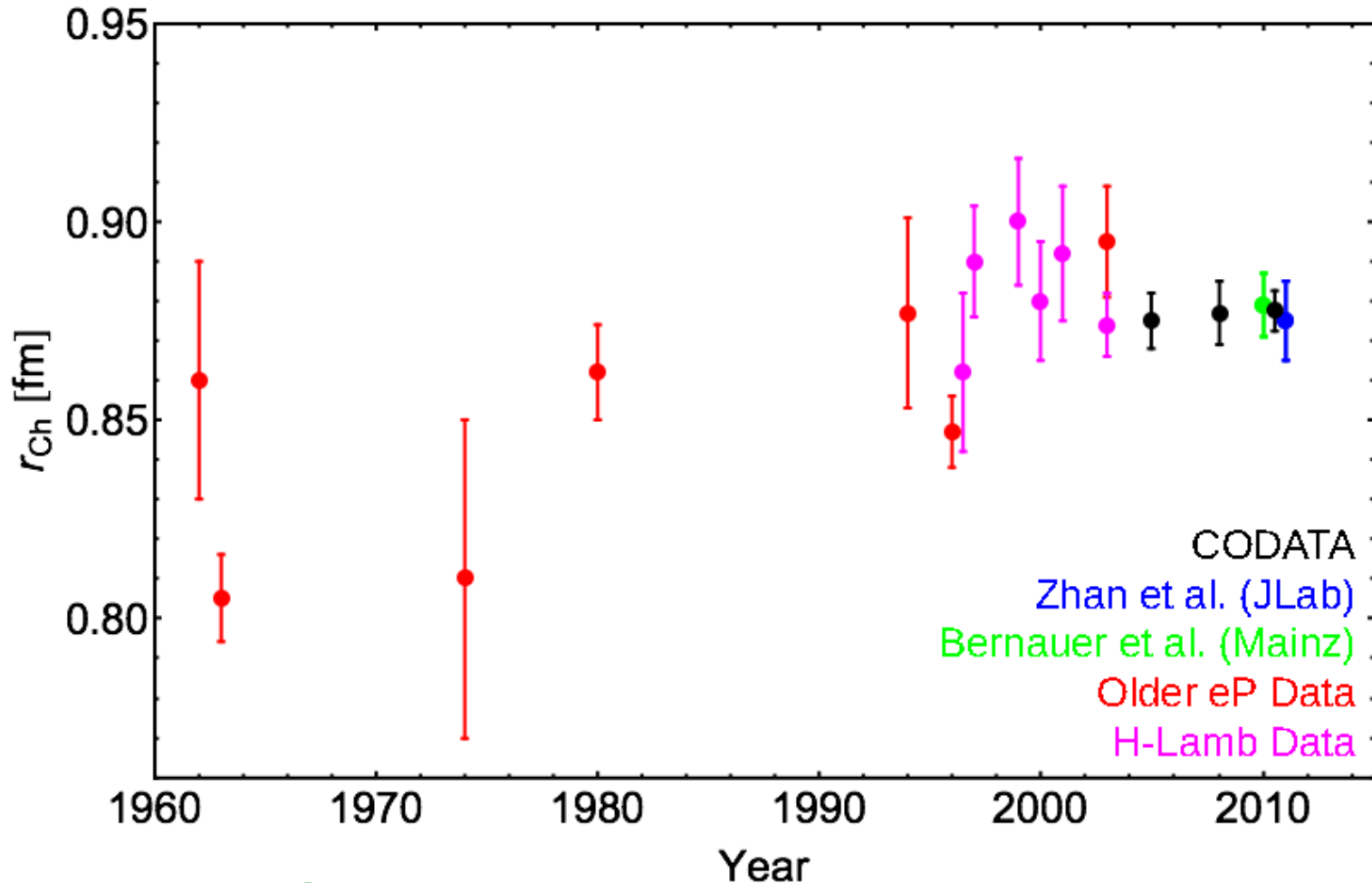
# The Proton Radius from H Lamb Shift and ep



proton rms charge radius measured with electrons:  
 **$0.8770 \pm 0.0045$  fm** (CODATA2010+Zhan et al.)



# The Proton Radius from H Lamb Shift and $e\text{p}$



**All is good:**

scattering data and H-atom data agree very well

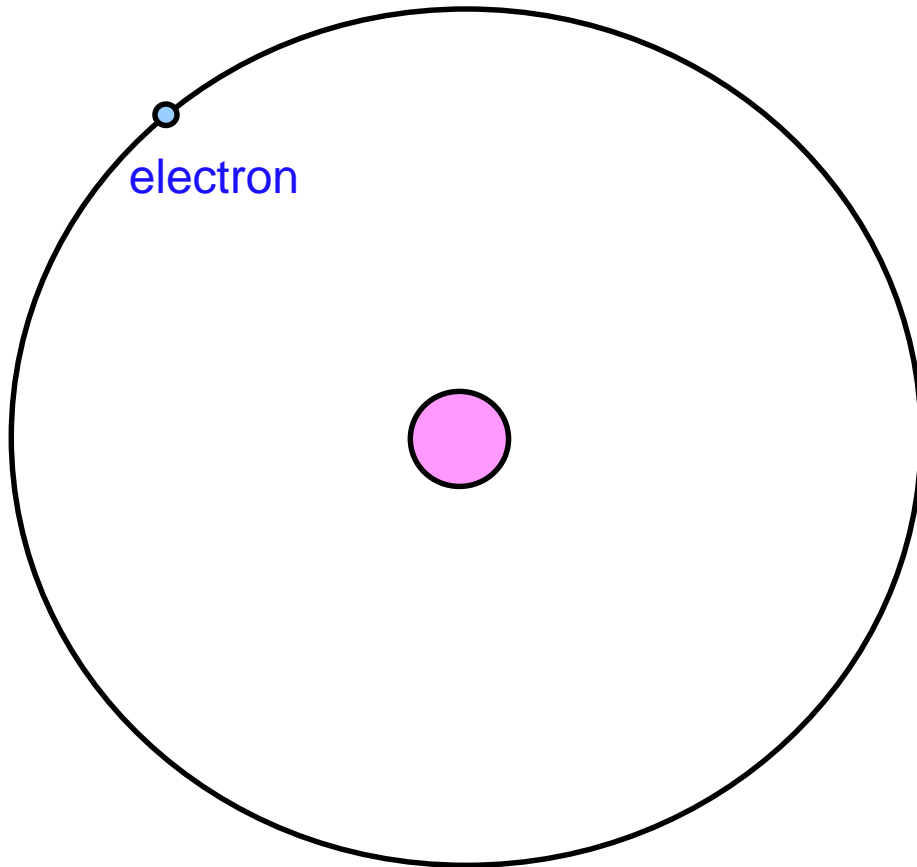
**But can we do better?**

use Muonic Hydrogen

# Why Measure with $\mu\text{H}$ ?

Regular hydrogen:

electron  $e^-$  + proton  $p$



Muonic hydrogen:

muon  $\mu^-$  + proton  $p$

muon mass  $m_\mu = 207 m_e$

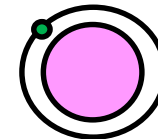
Bohr radius  $a_{B,\mu} = 1/207 a_{B,e}$

Probability for  $\mu^-$  to be inside proton:

$$\cong \left( \frac{r_p}{a_B} \right)^3 = (r_p \alpha)^3 m^3$$

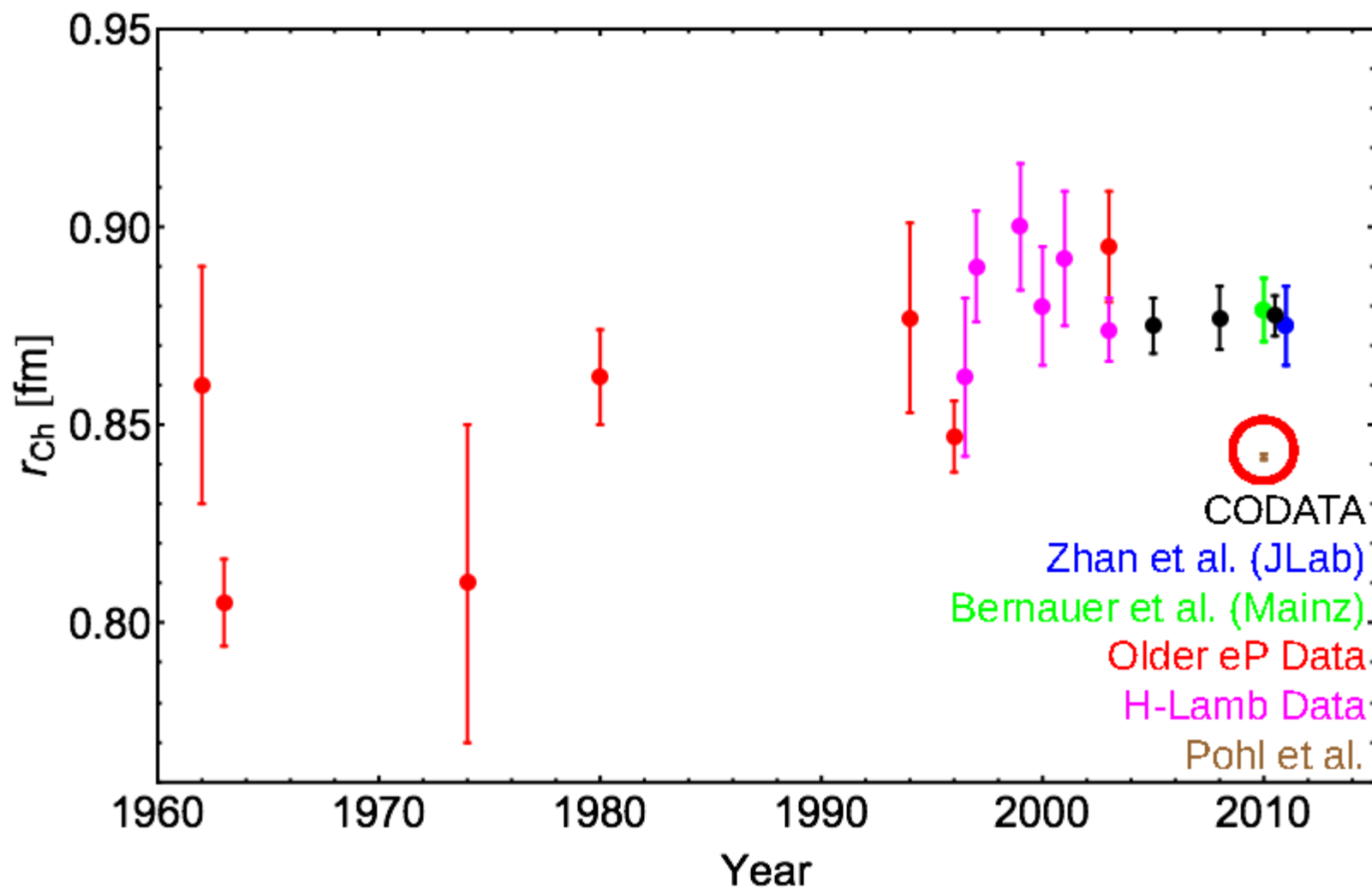
$\rightarrow 207^3 \approx 8 \text{ million}$

muon



muon is **much** more sensitive to proton radius

# The Proton Radius from H & $\mu$ H Lamb Shift and $e$ p



# The Proton Radius Puzzle

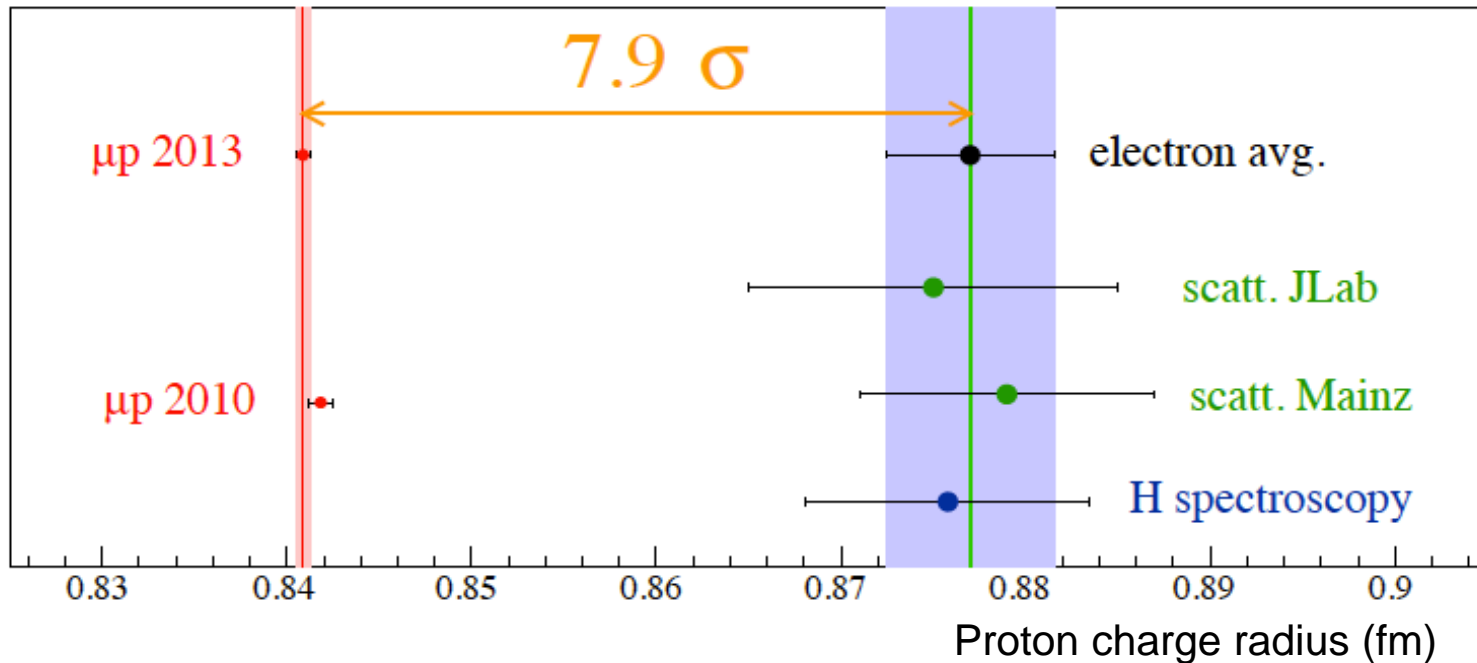
Proton radius measured with

atomic physics and electron scattering:

$0.8751 \pm 0.0061$  fm

muonic hydrogen:

$0.8409 \pm 0.0004$  fm

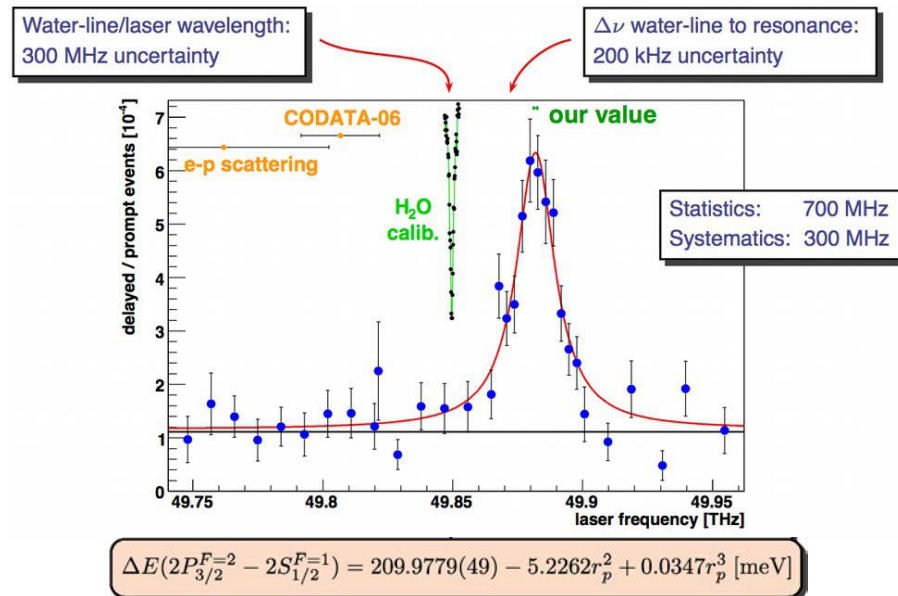


Radius from Muonic Hydrogen **4% below** previous best value

→ 12% smaller (volume), **12% denser** than previously believed

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- Experimental error in  $\mu p$  measurement ?



R. Pohl et al., Nature 466, 213 (2010):  
 **$0.84184 \pm 0.00067$  fm:  $5\sigma$  off 2006 CODATA**

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#	Contribution	Ref.	Our selection		Pachucki [31-33]		Borie [34]	
			Value	Unc.	Value	Unc.	Value	Unc.
1	NR One loop electron VP	[31, 32]			205.0074			
2	Relativistic correction (corrected)	[31-34]			0.0169			
3	Relativistic one loop VP	[34]	205.0282				205.0282	
4	NR two-loop electron VP	[14, 34]	1.5081		1.5079		1.5081	
5	Polarization insertion in two Coulomb lines	[31, 32, 34]	0.1509		0.1509		0.1510	
6	NR three-loop electron VP	[35]	0.00529					
7	Polarisation insertion in two and three Coulomb lines (corrected)	[35, 36]	0.00223					
8	Three-loop VP (total, uncorrected)				0.0076		0.00761	
9	Wichmann-Kroll	[34, 37, 38]	-0.00103				-0.00103	
10	Light by light electron loop contribution (Virtual Delbrück scattering)	[39]	0.00135	0.00135			0.00135	0.00015
11	Radiative photon and electron polarization in the Coulomb line $\alpha^2(Z\alpha)^4$	[31, 32]	-0.00500	0.0010	-0.006	0.001	-0.005	
12	Electron loop in the radiative photon of order $\alpha^2(Z\alpha)^4$	[40-42]	-0.00150					
13	Mixed electron and muon loops	[43]	0.00007				0.00007	
14	Hadronic polarization $\alpha(Z\alpha)^4 m_r$	[44-46]	0.01077	0.00038	0.0113	0.0003	0.011	0.002
15	Hadronic polarization $\alpha(Z\alpha)^5 m_r$	[45, 46]	0.000047					
16	Hadronic polarization in the radiative photon $\alpha^2(Z\alpha)^4 m_r$	[45, 46]	-0.000015					
17	Recoil contribution	[47]	0.05750		0.0575		0.0575	
18	Recoil finite size	[34]	0.01300	0.001			0.013	0.001
19	Recoil correction to VP	[34]	-0.00410				-0.0041	
20	Radiative corrections of order $\alpha^2(Z\alpha)^4 m_r$	[19, 32]	-0.66770		-0.6677		-0.66788	
21	Muon Lamb shift 4th order	[34]	-0.00169				-0.00169	
22	Recoil corrections of order $\alpha(Z\alpha)^5 \frac{m_r}{M} m_r$	[19, 32, 34, 39]	-0.04497		-0.045		-0.04497	
23	Recoil of order $\alpha^6$	[32]	0.00030		0.0003			
24	Radiative recoil corrections of order $\alpha(Z\alpha)^5 \frac{m_r}{M} m_r$	[19, 31, 32]	-0.00960		-0.0099		-0.0096	
25	Nuclear structure correction of order $(Z\alpha)^5$ (Proton polarizability contribution)	[32, 34, 45, 48]	0.015	0.004	0.012	0.002	0.015	0.004
26	Polarization operator induced correction to nuclear polarizability $\alpha(Z\alpha)^5 m_r$	[46]	0.00019					
27	Radiative photon induced correction to nuclear polarizability $\alpha(Z\alpha)^5 m_r$	[46]	-0.00001					
	Sum		206.0573	0.0045	206.0432	0.0023	206.05856	0.0046

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- Everybody is correct ? New Physics !
  - BSM Physics
    - violation of lepton universality
  - Novel Hadronic Physics
    - proton polarizability affects  $\mu$ , but not  $e$  (effect  $\propto m_l^4$ )
    - two-photon exchange corrections (effects important at high  $Q^2$ )

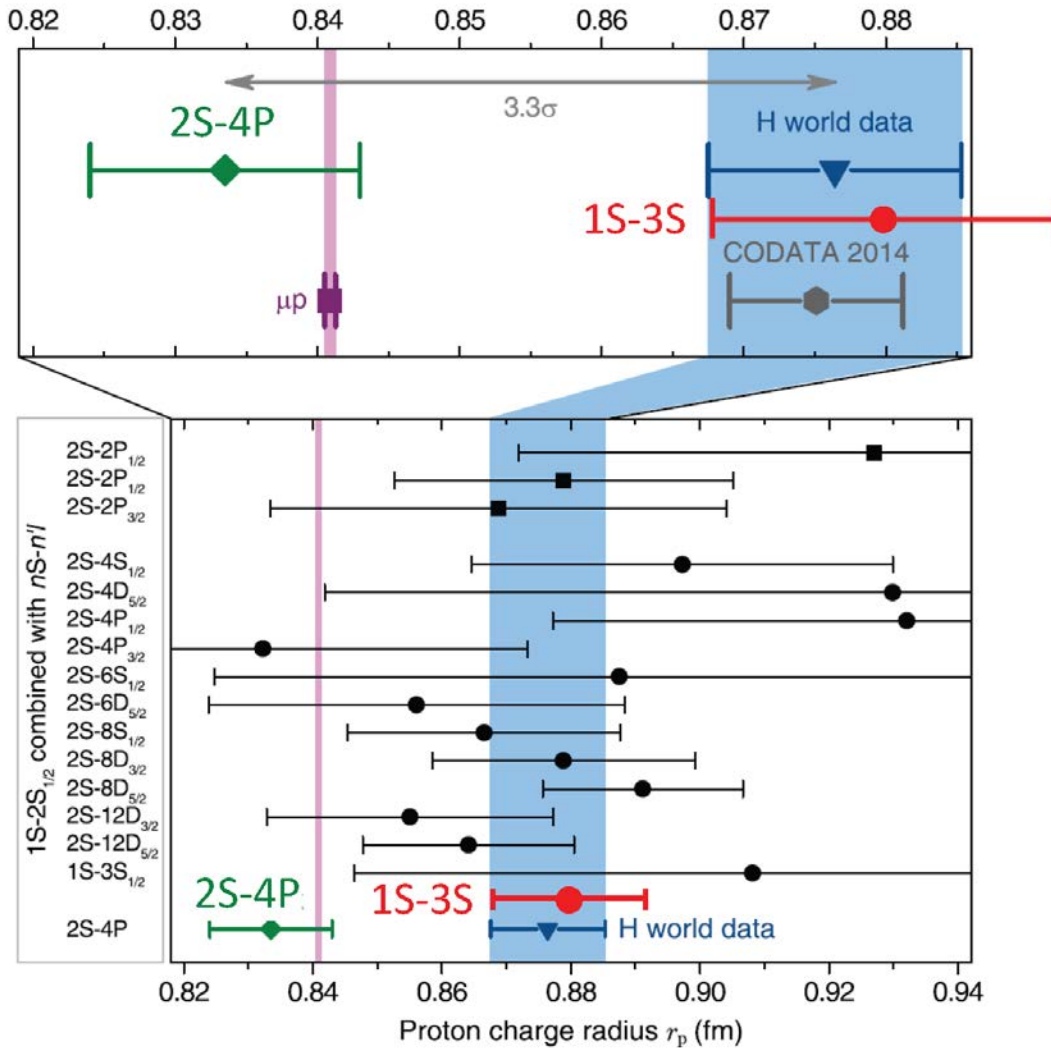
Need More Data

# The Quest for New Data

- Experiments include

- redoing atomic hydrogen
- light muonic atoms for radius comparison in heavier systems
- redoing electron scattering at lower  $Q^2$
- Muon scattering!

# Redoing Atomic Hydrogen



**MPQ (Garching):** NEW proton is small in regular hydrogen, too!

**LKB (Paris):** Prelim.  
No, it's not!

Systematics need to be carefully determined

$\mu H$  and  $eH$  difference is only significant when results are averaged

# The Quest for New Data

## ■ Experiments include

- redoing atomic hydrogen
  - conflicting results: more careful systematics?
- light muonic atoms for radius comparison in heavier systems
  - puzzle seen in H & D, but not in He: (Z=1 radius puzzle?)
- redoing electron scattering at lower  $Q^2$ 
  - many efforts
  - PRad (windowless H<sub>2</sub> gas flow target → removes major bkgds)  
is consistent with  $\mu p$  results!
- **Muon scattering!**
  - **MUSE** (first muon proton scattering experiment)
  - plans at COMPASS (100 GeV SPS muon beam)

# $\mu\text{p}$ Scattering – The missing Piece

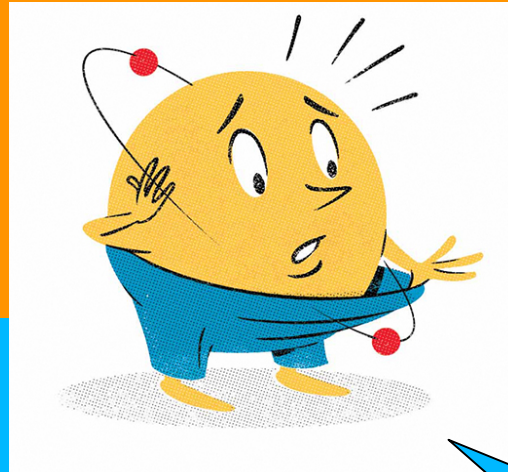
Electronic hydrogen

$0.8758 \pm 0.0077$

Spectroscopy

Muonic hydrogen

$0.84087 \pm 0.00039$



Electron scattering

$0.8770 \pm 0.0060$

Scattering

Muon scattering

???

# MUon Scattering Experiment (MUSE) at PSI



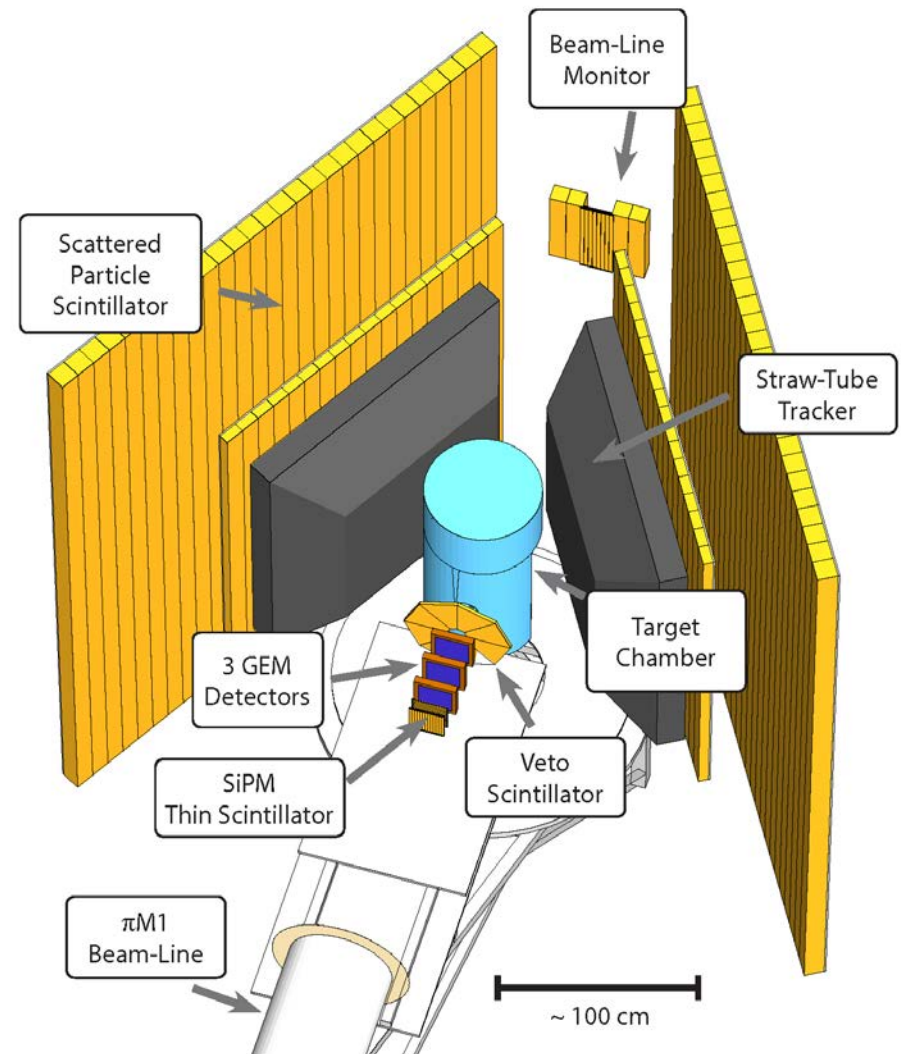
Paul Scherrer Institute  
Villigen, Switzerland

Direct comparison of  $\mu p$  and  $e p$  scattering!

- beam of  $e^+/\pi^+/\mu^+$  or  $e^-/\pi^-/\mu^-$  on  $\text{LH}_2$  target
  - separate particles by TOF, charge by magnets
- charge reversal: test two photon effects
- absolute cross sections for  $e p$  and  $\mu p$ 
  - use ratio to cancel systematics
- momenta: 115 – 210 MeV/c → Rosenbluth separation of  $G_E$  and  $G_M$ 
  - $Q^2 = 0.002 - 0.07 \text{ GeV}^2$

# MUSE: an unusual Scattering Experiment

- **Secondary beam** → identify and track beam particles
- **Low beam flux** (3 MHz) → large acceptance, non-magnetic spectrometer
- **Mixed beam** → PID in trigger

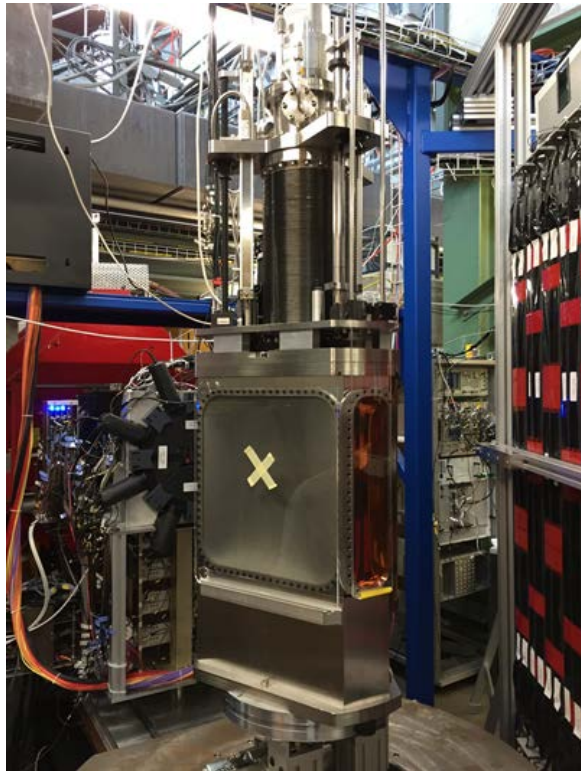


# LH<sub>2</sub> Target (U-M)

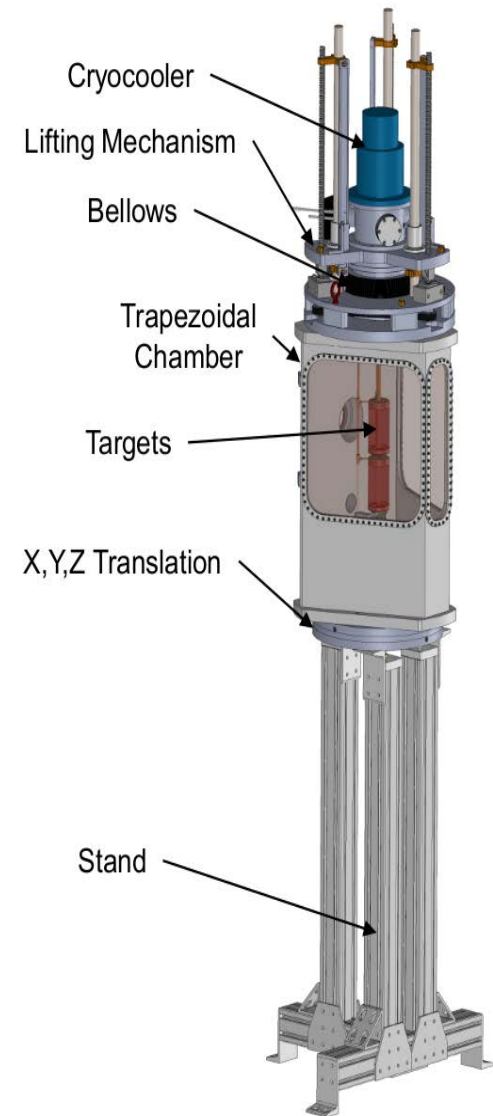
## Liquid hydrogen target

- 280 ml Kapton cylinder
- full and empty targets

## Target chamber in PiM1

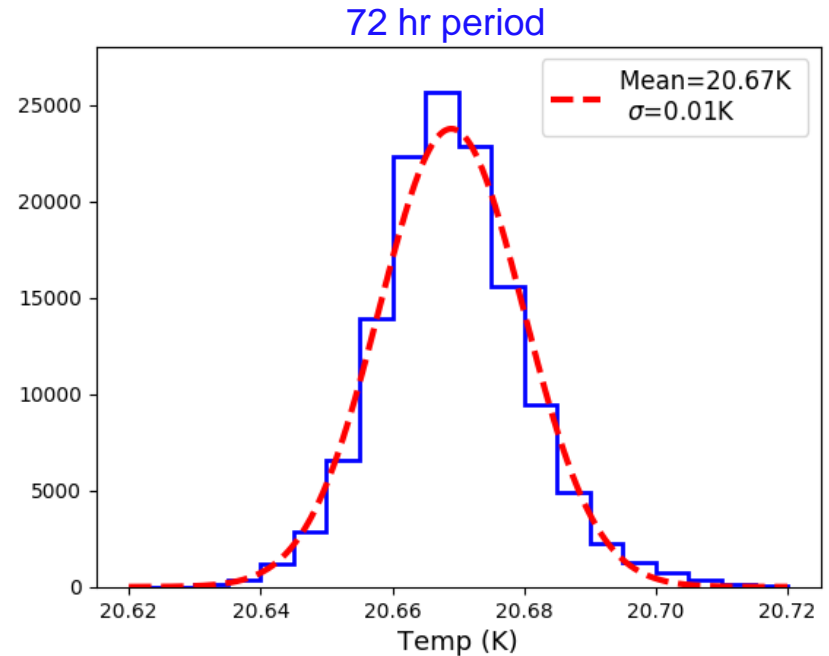
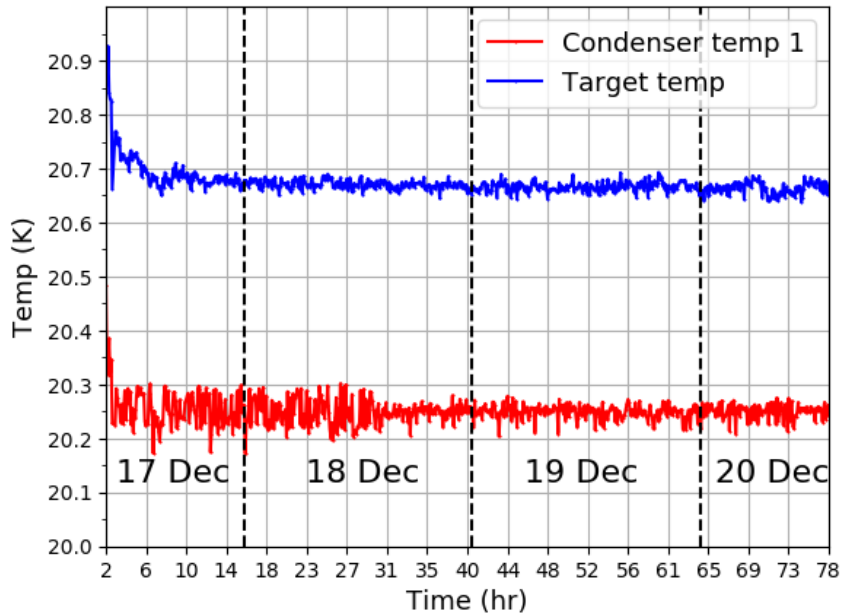


## Target system





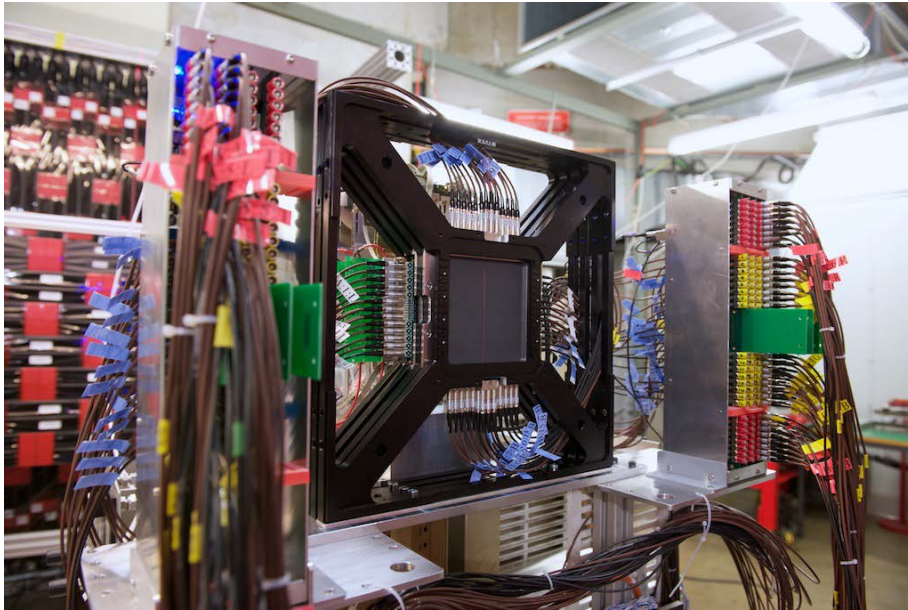
# Target Performance



- Target Temperature:  $20.67 \pm 0.01$  K
  - corresponds to a pressure of  $\sim 1.1$  bar
- Target density:  $0.070$  g/cm<sup>3</sup> (stable to 0.02%)
  - once equilibrium concentration of para (>99%) and ortho (<1%) hydrogen has been reached

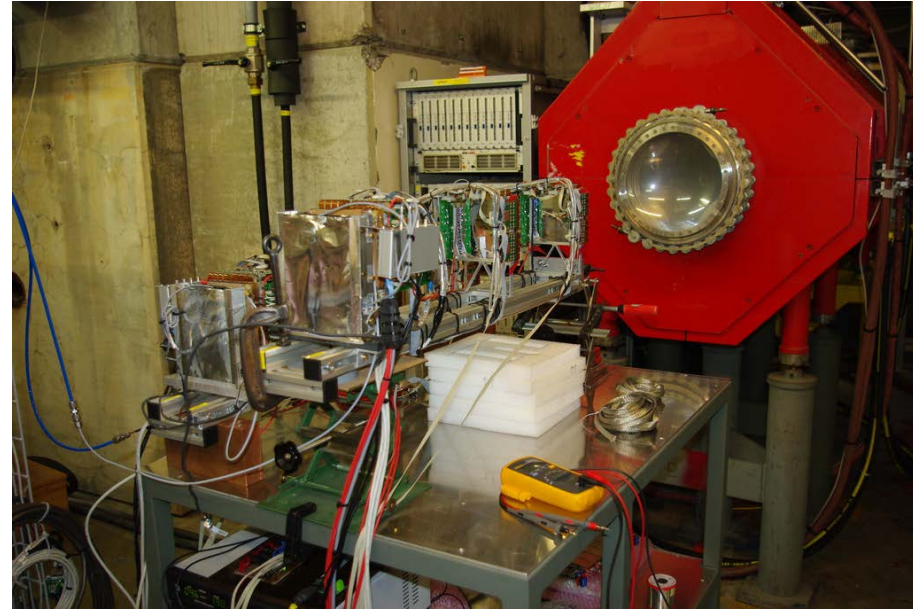
# Detector Components

**Beam hodoscope**  
(TAU, Rutgers, USC)



Time resolution **70ps** at  
**99.8% efficiency!**

**GEM telescope**  
(HU)

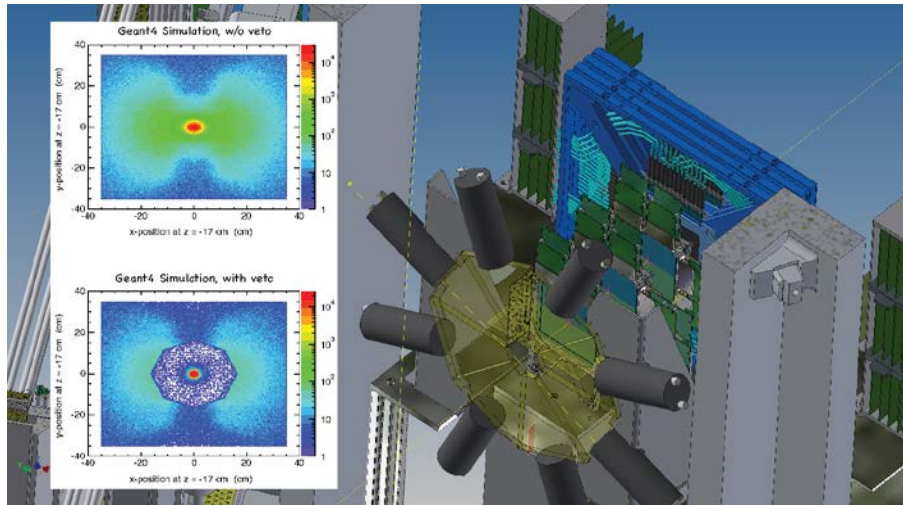


Measure trajectory of **each**  
**incoming particle**

# Detector Components

## Beam Monitor (TAU, Rutgers, USC)

## Beam veto detector (USC)



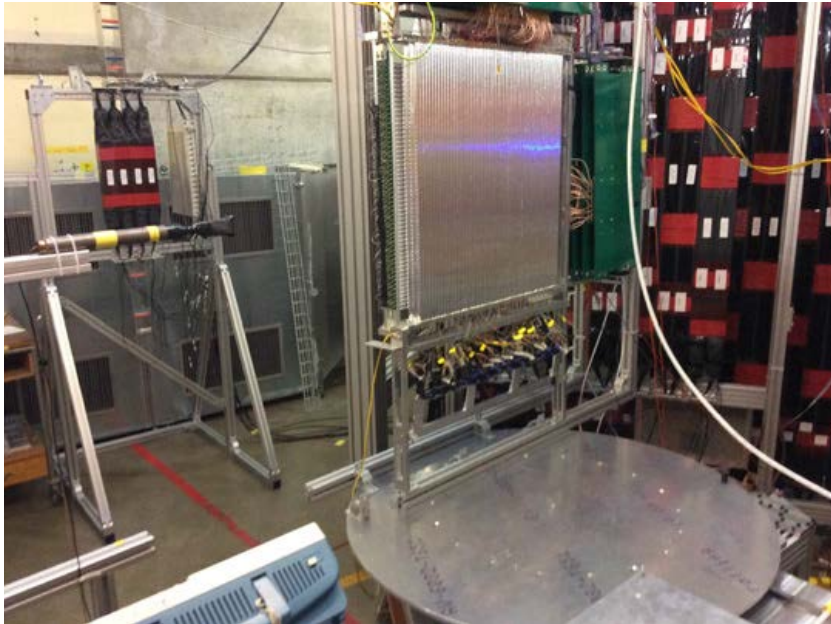
Significantly reduces trigger rate from **background events**



Determination of particle flux downstream of target, Moller/Bhabha veto, ToF

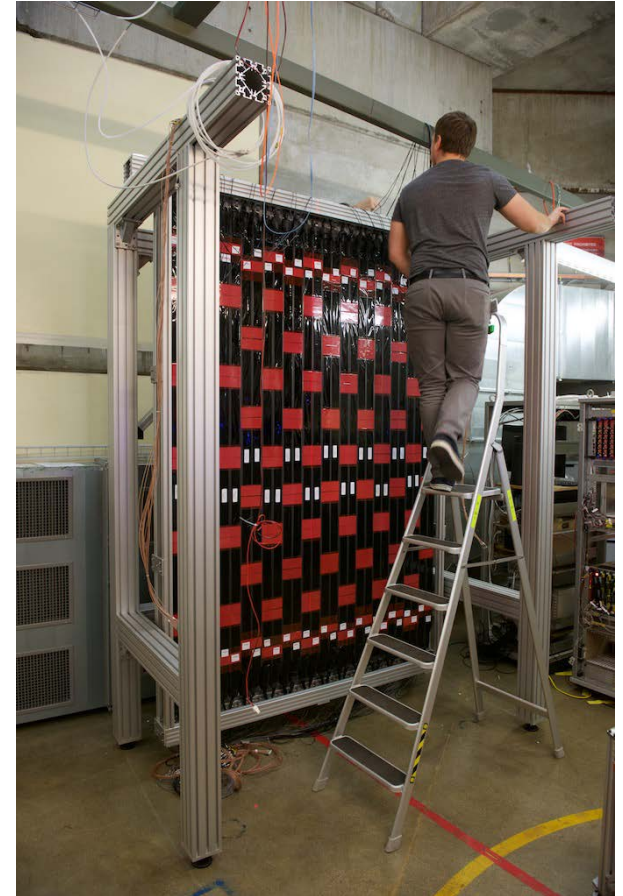
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Strawtube tracker  
(HUJI)



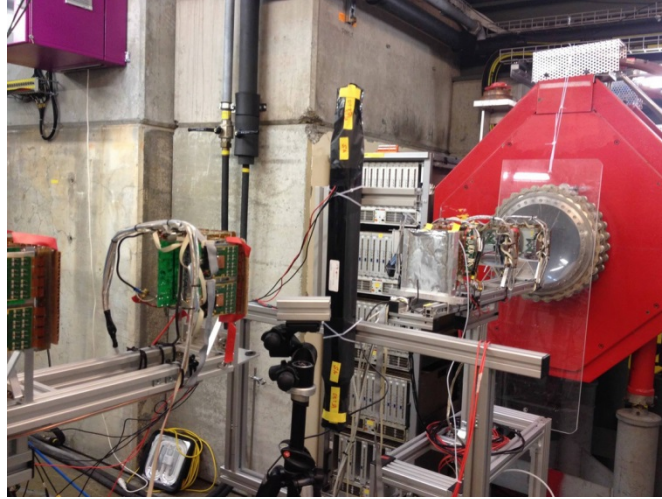
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Scintillator wall  
(USC)



Better time resolution (50ps) than design requirement!

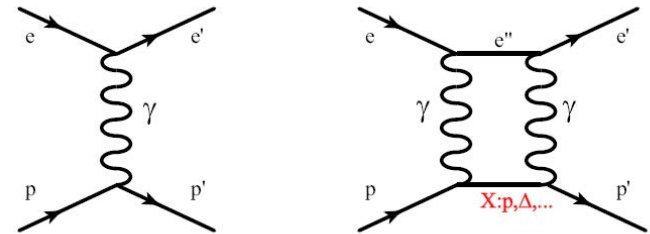
# Current status



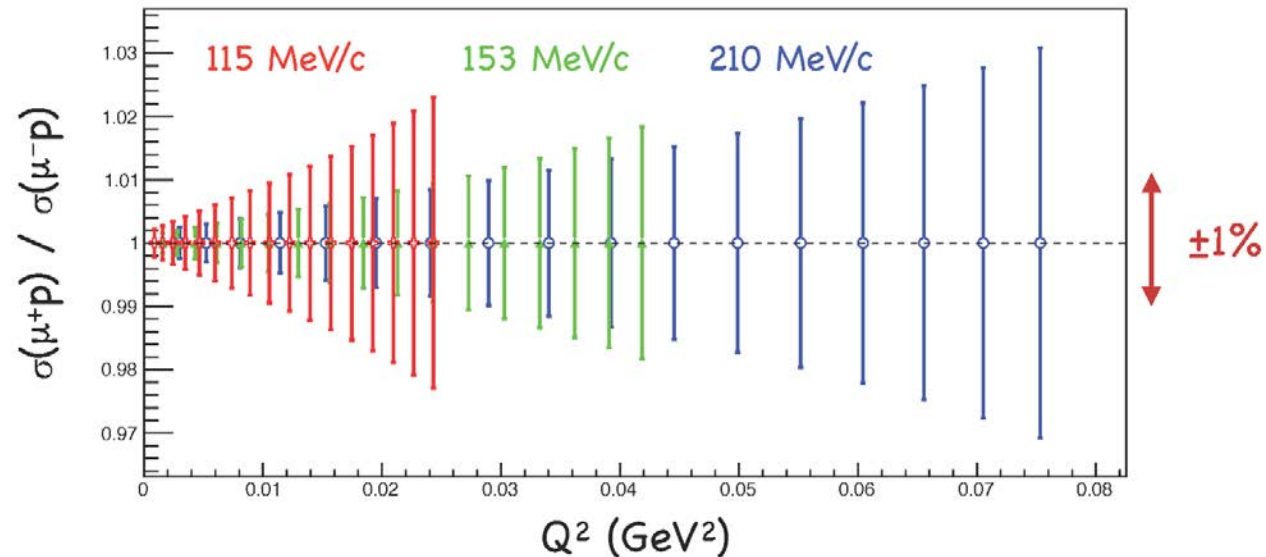
- 18 test runs (2012 – 2019) demonstrate simulation agreement & reliable performance
- Construction completed
  - commissioning almost complete
  - 12 month total data-taking in 2019 - 2021

# Two-photon exchange at low $Q^2$

- High precision test of TPE for electron and muons at low  $Q^2$
- TPE largest theor. uncertainty in low-energy proton structure
- expect sign change for  $e^+$  and  $e^-$

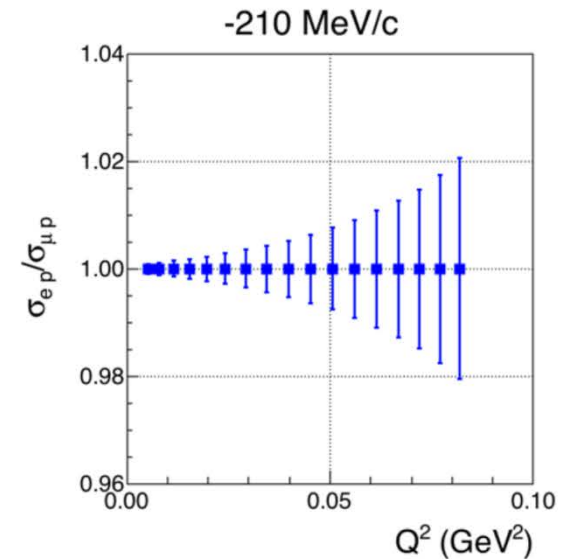
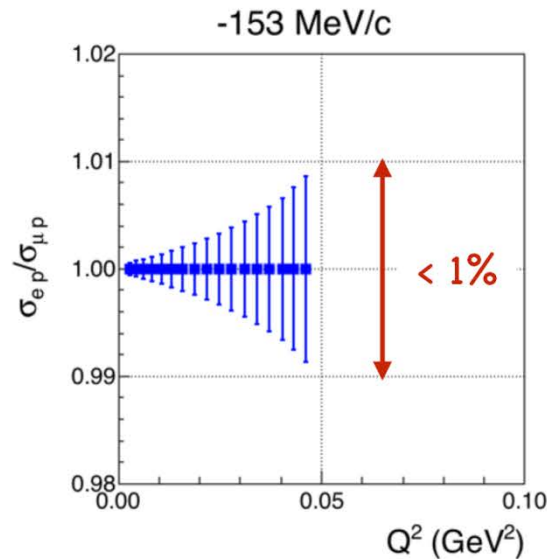
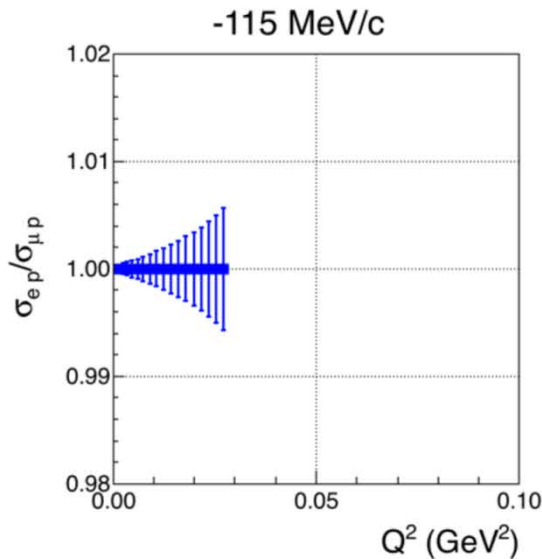


- Projected rel uncertainty in  $\mu^+p$  to  $\mu^-p$  elastic cross sections. systematics: 0.2%



# Comparison of ep to $\mu p$ cross sections

- Projected relative statistical uncertainties in the ratio of ep to  $\mu p$  elastic **cross sections**.
- Systematics  $\approx 0.5\%$



- The relative statistical uncertainties in the **form factors** are half as large

# Projected sensitivity for MUSE

- **absolute radius** extraction  
uncertainty similar to current experiments

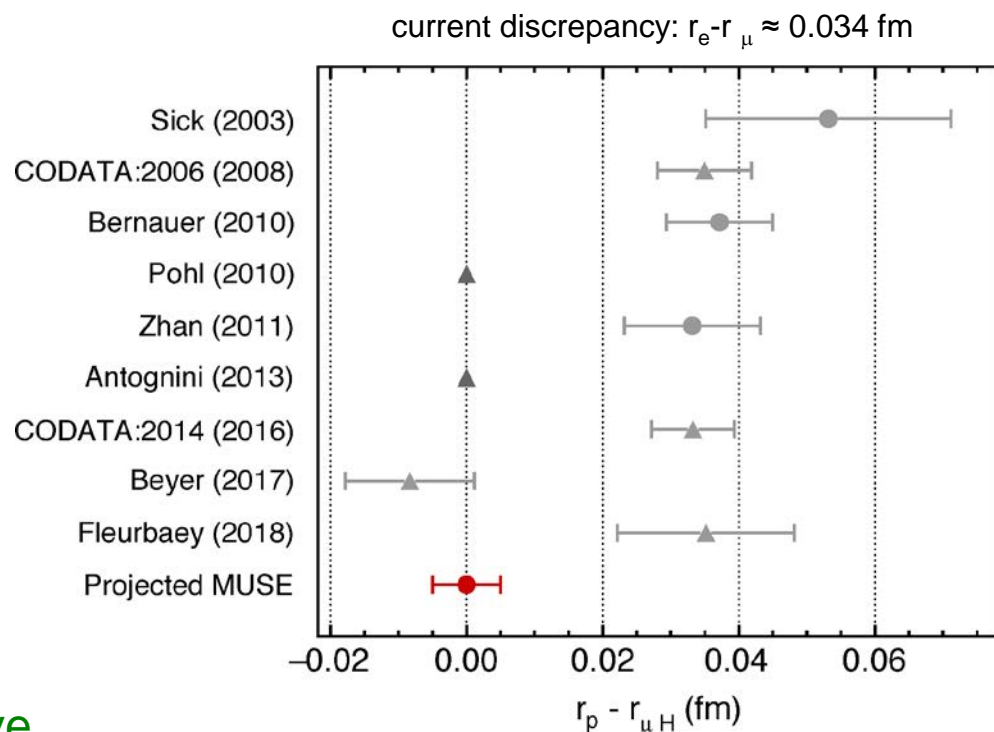
$$\sigma(r_e), \sigma(r_\mu) \approx 0.009 \text{ fm}$$

- **radius difference**: common uncertainties cancel

- comparison of  $\mu$  to  $e$ , or  $\mu^+$  to  $\mu^-$   
insensitive to many syst. errors

$$\sigma(r_e - r_\mu) \approx 0.005 \text{ fm}$$

→ almost factor two more sensitive



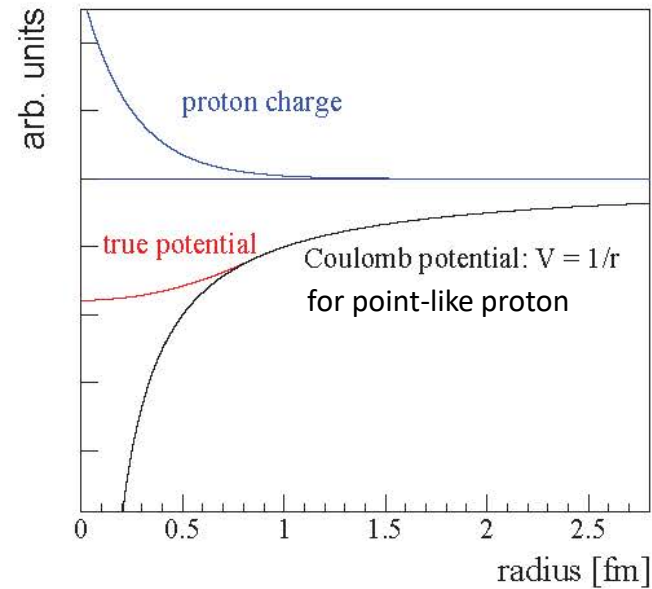


# Summary

- We are **still** (possibly more) **puzzled!**
- **Proton radius puzzle**
  - discrepancy between muonic and electronic measurements remains a serious problem
  - Need new data
- **Expect new results in the coming years**
- **MUSE (w/ electron & muon scattering)**
  - give first precise muon scattering results
  - will test existing values of radius
  - will test two photon exchange / proton polarizability
  - lepton universality

# Backup slides

# Finite-size shift of atomic energy levels



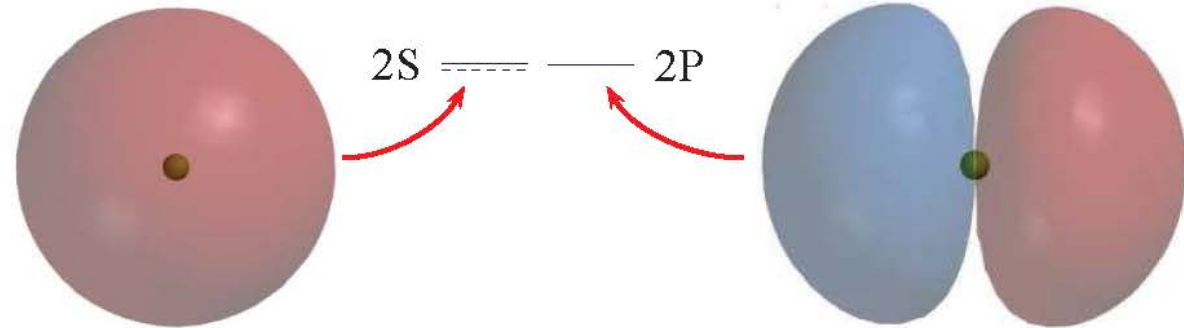
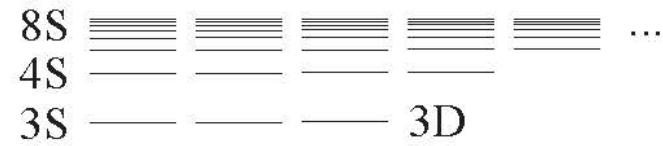
S states: max. at  $r=0$

Electron sometimes **inside** the proton.

**S states are shifted.**

Shift is proportional to the

**size of the proton**



P states: zero at  $r=0$

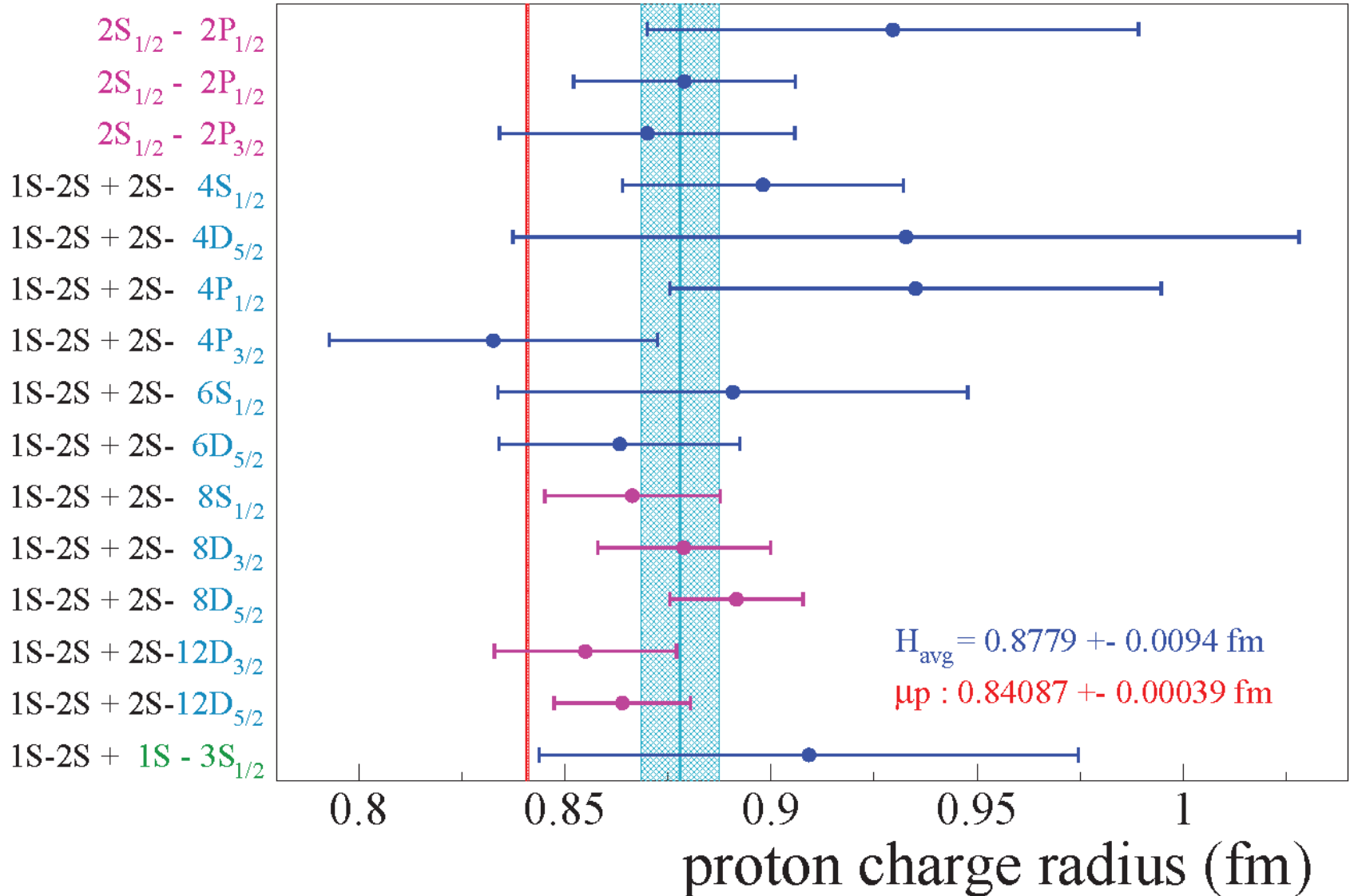
Electron is **not** inside the proton.



Orbital pictures from Wikipedia

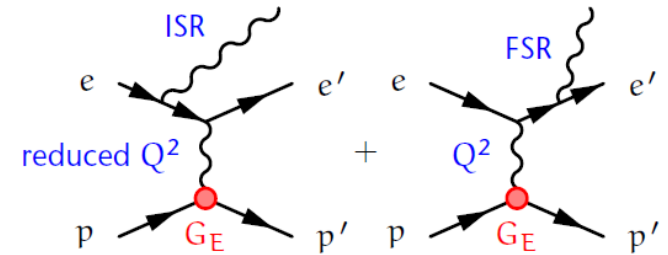
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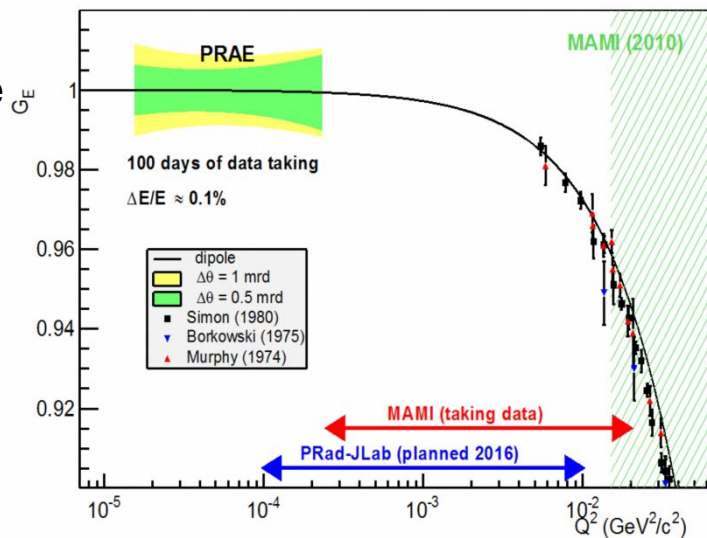


# Redoing electron scattering at lower $Q^2$

- Jlab: PRad
  - low intensity beam in Hall B @ JLab into windowless gas target (1.3 billion H events)
  - Preliminary  $G_E$  slope favors smaller radius
- Mainz: ISR
  - exploit information in radiative tail
  - dominated by coherent sum of ISR and FSR
  - investigate  $G_E$  down to  $Q^2 = 10^{-4} \text{ GeV}^2/c^2$
  - results not precise enough  $\rightarrow$  upgrades underway



- LPSC, Grenoble: ProRad
  - New accelerator to be built in France
  - constrain  $Q^2$ -dependence of  $G_E$  and extrapolation to zero
  - non-magnetic spectrometer, frozen hydrogen wire / film target



# MUon Scattering Experiment (MUSE) at PSI

## 58 MUSE collaborators from 25 institutions in 5 countries:

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