Muon g-2 and EDM Experiments as Muonic Dark Matter Detectors

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[RJ & Ramani, 2006.10069]

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We ultimately seek a full theory of DM and its interactions.

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A direct terrestrial search is epistemically distinct and provides an opportunity for a surprising discovery.

Laboratory ceiling is higher (sensitivity will improve).

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Fit for frequency of stacked signal, this is ω_a .

g – 2 Precision

BNL results:

 $rac{\delta \omega_a}{\omega_a} pprox 0.5 \cdot 10^{-6}$ [Bennet et al, 0602035] 3.3σ deviation from SM prediction.

[Davier et al, 1908.00921]

Fermilab projections:

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Vertical Count

Detecting an EDM requires measuring upward vs downward moving positrons.

The momentum count is blind to this.



Measure the difference ΔN_B in the number of upward versus downward moving positrons:

$$\Delta N_B \propto \vec{S} \cdot \vec{B}$$
$$\vec{\omega}_{\rm EDM} = -2 \, d_e \left(\vec{v} \times \vec{B} \right)$$

The momentum and vertical components of spin are:

$$\vec{S} \cdot \hat{p} = S_0 \cos(\omega_a t)$$

$$\vec{S} \cdot \hat{B} = S_0 \frac{\omega_{\text{edm}}}{\omega_{\text{sm}}} \sin(\omega_a t)$$
Phase shift between momentum and vertical counts.
$$\vec{S} \cdot \hat{B} = S_0 \frac{\omega_{\text{edm}}}{\omega_{\text{sm}}} \sin(\omega_a t)$$
Net increase in momentum count frequency – mimics anomaly.

Vertical Count, Bunch 1



Vertical Count, Bunch 2



Sum all bunches

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Vertical Count, Stacked

Momentum Count, Stacked



 ω_a, ϕ_a



Fit stacked vertical count to: $A \sin (\omega_a t + \phi_a)$

BNL stacked momentum and vertical counts:



A dedicated EDM search would do best by minimizing ω_{sm} . Choose laboratory EM fields to set $\,\omega_{sm}=0$.

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(Rotated Rest Frame)



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Vertical Count: $\vec{S} \cdot \hat{B} = S_0 \cos \left(\omega_{\rm edm} t \right) \approx S_0 \, \omega_{\rm edm} t$

BNL:
$$\frac{\omega_{\perp}}{\omega_a} \gtrsim 5 \cdot 10^{-4}$$

BNL null result limits the muon EDM to a value slightly too small (4σ) to explain the total precession anomaly: $|d_e| < 1.9 \cdot 10^{-19} e \text{ cm}$

[Bennett et al, 0811.1207]

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Frozen spin projection:

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Effect of DM background:

$$\vec{\omega}_a(t) = \vec{\omega}_{\rm sm} + \vec{\omega}_{\rm dm}(t)$$

Momentum count measures $|\vec{\omega}_a(t)|$ Vertical count measures $\vec{\omega}_{dm}(t) \perp \vec{\omega}_{sm}$

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Expect $\vec{\omega}_{dm}(t)$ to be time-dependent.

DC signals do arise from observables which depend on ϕ^2 .

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DM field is static over each bunch, but oscillates many times over the lifetime of the experiment.

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DM field oscillates faster than the SM precession. Signal is suppressed here and mimics known systematics.

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DM background field is:

$$\phi(t) = \sqrt{\frac{2\rho_{\rm dm}}{m_{\phi}}} \cos\left(m_{\phi}t\right)$$

DM field generates a time-varying muon mass and MDM: $m(t) = m_u + u\phi(t)$

$$m(t) = m_{\mu} + y\phi(t)$$

 $\vec{\mu} = rac{e g_{\mu}}{2 m(t)} \vec{S}$

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Rest frame precession frequency:

$$\vec{\omega}_a(t) = -\frac{e}{m(t)} a_\mu \vec{B}$$
$$\approx \vec{\omega}_{\rm sm} \left[1 - \frac{y}{m_\mu} \sqrt{\frac{2\rho_{\rm dm}}{m_\phi}} \cos\left(m_\phi t\right) \right]$$

Solve the precession equation:

Spin precesses about \hat{B} with an instantaneous angular frequency $|\vec{\omega}_a(t)|$.

Frequency Modulation

Vertical count vanishes as in SM.

Momentum count exhibits has frequency modulation:

$$\vec{S} \cdot \vec{p} = S_0 \cos\left[\omega_{\rm sm}t + \frac{\omega_{\rm dm}}{m_{\phi}}\sin\left(m_{\phi}t\right)\right]$$



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The stacked data is a sum of cosines at different frequencies:

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DM field generates an time-varying EDM for the muon. The precession frequency is:

$$\vec{\omega}_a = \omega_{sm}\hat{B} + \omega_{dm}\cos\left(m_a t\right)\left(\hat{p}\times\hat{B}\right)$$
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Positive frequency shift
- explains g-2 anomaly
Frequency modulation

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Fourier transform of vertical amplitude:



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This is an oscillating perpendicular perturbation – the precession dynamics and detection limits are qualitatively the same as the EDM coupling.

The two counts are now in-phase, which may introduce additional systematic errors. [Bennett et al, 0811.1207]

Detection Reach for ALP-Muon Wind



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Not observable at BNL or Fermilab, as vertical trapping EM fields will screen \vec{E}_{dm} ! [Bennett et al, 0602035] [Grange et al, 1501.06858]

Observed at J-PARC or future frozen spin searches.

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Muonic Vector DM



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Direct, terrestrial limits on muophillic DM.

Detection reach for (albeit tuned) DM-muon interactions, pending reanalysis of previous and upcoming g-2 data.

DM may explain the muon g-2 anomaly via coherent interaction with DM background field (not via loops).

Approach improves with ongoing development of g-2 and EDM measurement techniques (e.g., frozen spin experiments).

Muon g-2 and EDM Experiments as DM Detectors

Extra Slides

Constraints from Stacking the FM DM Signal

The envelope is detectable as a failure to fit the momentum count as a pure oscillation.

A decaying envelope is already present due to muon losses, modeled and empirically fit to be an $\approx 10\%$ decay

Allowed:
$$(\omega_{dm}T_{\mathrm{bunch}})^2 < 10\%$$
 [Bennet et al, 0602035]

If the envelop is ignorable, it follows that the stacked frequency is the discrete mean of the individual bunch frequencies

$$\omega_{\text{stack}} = \omega_{sm} + \omega_{dm} \left(\frac{1}{N_{\text{bunches}}} \Sigma_{t_i} \cos\left(m_{\phi} t_i\right) \right)$$
$$\Rightarrow \quad \left| \omega_{\text{stack}} - \omega_{sm} \right| \sim \frac{\omega_{dm}}{mT_{\text{run}}} \qquad \left[\text{if } m \lesssim \frac{N_{\text{bunches}}}{T_{\text{run}}} \right]$$

Deviation must be less than (or equal!) the observed frequency.

Yukawa Coupling: Static Limit

For sufficiently small m_{ϕ} , the DM background provides a static contribution to m_{μ} which will be included in the computation of ω_{sm} – no anomaly is observed.

We then constrain the linear drift of m_{μ} between (g-2) experiments and the previous determination of m_{μ} .

In practice, use the magnetic moment ratio $\mu_\mu/\mu_p\,$ determined from the hyperfine splitting of muonium instead of $m_\mu\,$ [Liu et al, 1999]

$$\begin{split} |\omega_{stack} - \omega_{sm}| &\sim \Delta T_{m_{\mu}} \, \partial_t \omega_{dm} & \left[\text{if } m_{\phi} \lesssim \frac{1}{T_{\text{total}}} \right] \\ & \swarrow & \checkmark & \\ \text{Time between (g-2) and} & \text{Total span of (g-2)} \\ & \text{muonium experiments} & \text{experiment} \end{split}$$

Yukawa: Loop Effects

 $\mathcal{L} \supset y \, \phi \bar{\mu} \mu$

A few of the more egregious examples:

Generates couplings to electrons, nucleons and photons which are highly constrained by atomic clocks and EP tests. [Arvanitaki et al, 1405.2925]

Induced $\phi^2 \bar{n}n$ produces a matter-dependent potential for the DM, may screen it from terrestrial experiments.

DM Yukawa coupling



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Detection Reach for DM-Muon Yukawa



A DM EDM Signal

Precession trajectory (quasi-static limit):

$$\begin{split} S_p &= S_0 \cos \left[\left(\omega_{sm} + \frac{\omega_{dm}^2}{4\omega_{sm}} \right) t + \frac{\omega_{dm}^2}{8\omega_{sm}} \sin \left(2m_a t \right) \right] \\ S_B &= S_0 \frac{\omega_{dm}}{\omega_{sm}} \cos \left(m_a t \right) \frac{\sin}{\sin} \left[\left(\omega_{sm} + \frac{\omega_{dm}^2}{4\omega_{sm}} \right) t + \frac{\omega_{dm}^2}{8\omega_{sm}} \sin \left(2m_a t \right) \right] \\ \swarrow \end{split}$$
AC Amplitude Modulation

Immediate constraints (or explanation):

Static FM is a ρ_{dm} -dependent apparent contribution to a_{μ} .

AM of vertical count will average away in the stacked EDM measurement – we may place constraint from the residual of that averaging.

Limits on ALP DM-Muon EDM Coupling



Vector DM generates a dark electric and magnetic field,

$$E_{\rm dm} = \sqrt{2\rho_{\rm dm}} \cos\left(m_{\rm dm}t + \alpha\right)$$
$$B_{\rm dm} = v_{\rm dm}\sqrt{2\rho_{\rm dm}} \sin\left(m_{\rm dm}t + \alpha\right)$$

B_{dm} is too small to be observed in existing experiments

$$\frac{\omega_{\rm dm}}{\omega_{\rm sm}} = \frac{g_{\rm dm}}{e} \frac{B_{\rm dm}}{B_0} \approx 10^{-6} g_{\rm dm} \left(\frac{3\,\rm T}{B_0}\right)$$

E_{dm} may be observed in experiments that do not use the "magic momentum" to cancel electric field precession (e.g., J-PARC, frozen spin)

* disfavored by NS-NS inspiral and solar neutrino oscillations ($L_{\mu} - L_{\tau}$)