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## News from Wien

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Tau anomalous magnetic moment measurements in ultra-peripheral collisions with ALICE at the LHC

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# Baltz et al.: Phys.Rept. 458 (2008) 1-171

### Introduction - tools

- Ultra-peripheral collisions (UPCs).
  - Impact parameter  $b > R_A + R_B$ .
  - Strong interaction suppressed.
  - EM interaction remains.
- $\blacksquare$  EM field of ultra-relativistic electrically charged particle  $\sim$  flux of photons.
  - Interaction intensity increasing with  $Z^2$ .
- Many measurements at ALICE already.
  - Proof of usefulness of this tool.
  - Photon used as a probe to inner structure of hadrons/ions.
  - Appreciate addition to HERA/EIC.



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• The two-loop order example (8 diagrams in total):



- The three-loop order:
  - More than one hundred diagrams.
  - Analytic computations required three decades...

### Elektroweak contribution

• Loops with  $W^{\pm}$ , Z, H, goldstone bosones...



- Wrt. QED, EW contribution is proportional to  $\sim (m_l/m_W)^2$ .
- For electron, this contribution is strongly suppressed!
- For tauon, on the level of the three-loop order.

### Hadron contribution

Hadronic vacuum polarization, light-by-light, higher orders loops...



- Calculations based on experimental results.
- For electron, again, this contribution is strongly suppressed!

### Lepton family overview

	a <sub>e</sub>	$a_{\mu}$	$a_{ au}$
SM pred.	0.00115965218164(77)	0.00116591804(51)	0.00117721(5)
Exp. val.	0.00115965218073(28)	0.00116592061(41)	[-0.052, 0.013] (95%CL)

Difference of Standard Model and observations:

- Compositness of leptons?
- New physics Behind Standard Model (BSM)?
- **BSM** scales with  $(m_{\text{lepton}}^2/m_{\Lambda}^2)$ , where  $m_{\Lambda}$  is the mass scale of BSM particles.
  - $e: \mu = 1:42750$
  - $\mu: \tau = 1:280$

• Higher mass of lepton  $\rightarrow$  reaching lower scale  $\rightarrow$  better sensitivity to BSM.

ae experimental value: Hanneke et al.: Phys. Rev. A 83, 052122 (2011)

 $a_{\mu}$  experimental value: Muon g-2: Phys. Rev. Let. 126, 141801 (2021)

 $a_{\tau}$  experimental value: DELPHI: Eur. Phys. J. C 35, 159-170 (2004)

### Measurement method: Precession

- Three possible movements around Euler angles.
- Rotation R, precession P and nutation N.
- A magnetic dipole (particle with spin and momentum) in an external magnetic field  $\vec{B} \rightarrow$  precession.

$$\vec{\omega}_{a}=-a_{\mu}rac{q\,\vec{B}}{m}.$$

- Through precession frequency *ω*<sub>a</sub> you measure anomalous magnetic moment *a*<sub>μ</sub>.
- Highly uniform magnetic field  $\vec{B}$  needed!
- Possible for electrons and muons (2 × 10<sup>-6</sup>s), tauons have too short lifetime (3 × 10<sup>-13</sup>s).



### Electron and fine-structure constant $\alpha$

- Electron trapped in cyclotron.
- You only need to measure the spin and cyclotron frequency.
- QED contribution dominates.
- $a^{\text{QED}}$  proportional to  $\alpha$ .
- Measurement of electron anomalous magnetic moment allows us a direct access to fine-structure constant!
- Measured with an accuracy to 12 digits.
- The most precise measurement of a constant in the history of physics.
- $\alpha^{-1} = 137.035999084(51)$



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### Muon and the latest evidence of BSM

- Example: Fermilab Muon g 2 Collaboration, details: Phys. Rev. D 103, 072002 (2021).
- (Almost) exclusively  $\mu^{\pm} \rightarrow e^{\pm} + \bar{\nu}_{e/\mu} + \nu_{\mu/e}$ ,
- Measurement of the positron energy spectrum.
- Muon spin and momentum aligned = spectrum easiest.
- Muon spin and momentum anti-aligned = spectrum steepest.
- N events in certain energy interval is changing with time.
- Modulation frequency =  $\vec{\omega}_a$ .
- 4.2 $\sigma$  strong evidence!
- Other explanation within QCD: arXiv:2002.12347



 $\gamma \approx 30 \rightarrow \bar{\tau}_{\tau} = 60 \times 10^{-6}$ s.

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Measurement method: Differential cross section of au production

- $\gamma \tau \tau$  vertex is sensitive to  $a_{\tau}$ .
- Two vertices = enhanced sensitivity.
- Different options like  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau \tau(e^+e^-)$ and  $Z \rightarrow \tau \tau \gamma ...$
- ...or employ UPCs!
- Great source of photons at hadron colliders.



- $q^2 \rightarrow 0$  is ideal.
- Proposed for LHC (and SSC) in 1991, del Aguilla et al.: Phys. Lett. B 271 (1991) 256.
- SM effective field theory (SMEFT), Bereford et al.: Phys. Rev. D 102, (2020) 113008.
- Direct calculation, Dyndal et al.: Phys. Lett. B 809, (2020) 135682.

$$i\Gamma^{(\gamma\tau\tau)}_{\mu}(q) = -ie\left[\gamma_{\mu}F_{1}(q^{2}) + rac{i}{2m_{ au}}\sigma_{\mu
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ight] \qquad F_{2}(q^{2} o 0) = a_{ au}$$

### $a_{\tau}$ connection to cross section

• Non-trivial, but observable dependency on W,  $z = \cos \theta$  (in  $\gamma \gamma$  CM frame).



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 $p_{\rm T}$ -spectrum sensitivity to  $a_{\tau}$ 



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### New possible limits by ATLAS/CMS and its comparison to current values



- ATLAS/CMS Run 2 statistics estimates: 1280 events (2 nb<sup>-1</sup>).
- Systematics can strongly limits this measurement.

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### ALICE possibilities



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### Event selection strategy





### ALICE strategy:

- Exclusivity requirement: to avoid  $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow q\bar{q}$  (or UPCs dipion), one decay is leptonic.
- Midrapidity: Separation of  $\mu$  and  $\pi$  with central barrel impossible  $\rightarrow$  looking for electron(positron) + charged track (muon/pion).
- Semi-forward rapidity: Forward muon + charged track in central barrel.
- $\blacksquare$  Forward rapidity: Only muon channel  $\rightarrow$  suppressed to other cases.

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### Suppressing background - acoplanarity cut

Bereford et al.: Phys. Rev. D 102, (2020) 113008.

- $10^{5}$ PbPb  $\rightarrow$  Pb( $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau$ )Pb,  $\sqrt{s} = 5.02 \text{ TeV}, 2.0 \text{ nb}^{-1}$ LB JL  $10^{4}$ SR1/1T, no  $\Delta\phi(l,trk)$  cut Sample (Yield) Events / 0.20  $10^{3}$ ττ, δa =0, δd\_=0 (2.8e+03) μμ (6.3e+04) ee (3.1e+03)  $10^{2}$ cc (1.8) bb (0.26) 10 Bkg Total (6.65e+04) 0.5 2.53.5 0 1.5 2 3  $|\Delta\phi(l, trk)|$ September 13, 2021, Děčín, CZ 25 / 34
- Background from continuum.
- Avoiding back-to-back tracks.
- Run 2 trigger strategy did not favor such events.

### Example: Run 2 2018 Pb–Pb collisions, 0.23nb<sup>-1</sup>



### Simulations: Run 3 2022 Pb–Pb collisions, 2.3nb<sup>-1</sup>



• Our simulations reproduce well those used for ATLAS/CMS.

Simulations: Run 3 2022 Pb–Pb collisions, 2.3nb<sup>-1</sup>



- 36 000 events in central barrel (electron + muon/pion).
- 2 000 events in semi-forward rapidity (two muons).

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### Simulations: Run 3 acoplanarity cut



Still many events available after acoplanarity cut.

### Simulations: Run 3 $a_{\tau}$ and cross section ratio $p_{\rm T}$ dependency



- Parabolic shape of ratio of electron  $p_{\rm T}$ -differential cross sections in the vicinity of  $a_{\tau} = 0$ .
- Up to 15% variations of the yields within the range restricted by DELPHI limits.

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### Simulations: Run 3 differential p<sub>T</sub>-spectrum

- We can also try to perform *p*<sub>T</sub>-differential measurement.
- A lot of low-p<sub>T</sub> events, where ALICE has a good sensitivity.
- Positive a<sub>τ</sub> cross sections above Standard Model.
- Negative a<sub>\(\tau\)</sub> p<sub>\(\text{T}\)</sub>-differential cross section distribution steeper than Standard Model.



### Simulations: Run 3 $a_{\tau}$ limits from $p_{\rm T}$ -differential measurement

- Combining the cross section ratios of different p<sub>T</sub> intervals.
- Using  $\chi^2$  sum of 10  $p_{\rm T}$  intervals.
- Uncorrelated systematics.
- Limits improvement looks feasible.





### Summary

- Determination of anomalous magnetic moment is a powerful check of Standard Model.
- Heavy weight of tau-lepton provides the best sensitivity.
- LHC beams together with the ALICE detector with good low-momentum resolution provides us a unique opportunity for a competitive measurement.
- Pb–Pb collisions in upcoming Run 3 will deliver enough luminosity to try to improve the current experimental limits 2-8×.
- There is still some work to do before 2022 data-taking:
  - Fine-tune our simulations to have a great control on possible systematic effects.
  - Understanding the background in detail.
  - Identifying the best selection criteria.
- Other news:
  - Austrian representative in ALICE computing resource board.

# Time for your questions, please



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