An Update on the DarkLight status

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DarkLight origin story

- A' is a proposed new, light force carrier
- couples to SM only weakly
- motivated by $g_{\mu} 2$ discrepancy
- might also explain the proton radius puzzle

needs some fine-tuning

Current and future exclusion limits



The models evolve...

- Can evade many limits with tuned couplings
- For example: Protophobic fifth force as an explanation for ⁸Be* decay anomaly
- Not that strange: Z^0 coupling to p/n like 0.074/1



From: Krasznahorkay, A. J. et al., PRL 116 042501 (2016)

Precision frontier is Intensity frontier

- Bump hunt
 - Intensity frontier: Measure tiny effect
 - Precision frontier: Measure tiny effect on top of large background







- @JLab LERF (Low Energy Recirculating Facility, fka FEL)
 5-10 mA, 100 MeV beam, 1 attobarn⁻¹/month
- Measure $e^- + p \longrightarrow e^- + p + A' \longrightarrow e^- + p + (e^+ + e^-)$

J. Balewski et al., arXiv:1412.4717 [physics.ins-det]

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Trigger off Lepton tracker?

- GEMs/MicroMegas: Does not work reliably
- Rate too high

CANNOT discriminate in hardware trigger. Full online tracking!

Streaming front end electronics



- Continuous readout: 4 Terabyte/s
- Zero suppression: 200 Gigabyte/s

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Common problem at intensity frontier

- Solve once and reuse
- Open design
 - wire protocol
 - hardware
- Use standard hardware
 - cheaper
 - easier to extend

• Ongoing workshop series for EIC, but of interest for MAGIX?

- 1A: Proof of target system and accelerator integration
- 1B: Measurement of Møller scattering at low energies
- 1C: Hunt for protophobic fifth force around 17 MeV (timeline: 1-2 years)

- Initial commissioning run for magnet + target
- Parasitic "engineering run" for detector development







• Kapton baffles with 3mm apertures centered on beam axis

Vacuum system / Target performance



- Achieved 1/3 of target pressure
- Limit: Turbo 3 pressure / pressure in accelerator
- Upgrades to baffle system, multi stage pumping in baffles



Prototype detector system I



- 4x T-GEM detectors
- APV readout, need trigger
- Two trigger planes
 - highly segmented
 - thin
 - fast



Trigger paddles

- 50mm \times 9mm \times 1mm scintillator
- 3D printed lightguides
- SiPM readout
- Custom amplifier and voltage controller







- Baffles misaligned, no clean transmission
- Collected "splash" data
- GEM data looks promissing, in analysis
- Target behaved well, but needs upgrades
- Trigger-detectors performed well, but need further tests with beam.

- Goal: Measure radiative Møller scattering in regime where electron mass can not be neglected.
- Validation for theory and event generators
- Design:
 - 2 spectrometers, one for cross section, one for luminosity
 - Diamond foil target

Phase 1B current status



1B detectors



- Need to detect few MeV electrons!
- Two layers of scintillator
- $\,$ $\,$ Active area: 150mm \times 50mm, with strips, 2.5mm \times 0.5mm
- SiPM readout
- Currently designing FEE. Can be used in streaming mode.

- Originally R&D for phase 2
- Pivot to test of 17 MeV fifth force carrier
- 2 spectrometer detecting e^+e^- pairs
- 50 MeV, 10 degrees
- Detectors similar to 1B, or GEMs, or combination
- Foil target, or external beam?

- Phase 1A: target design promising, have to redo beam
- Phase 1B: measurements imminent, test bed for streaming readout (this year)
- Phase 1C: Physics output: test of 17 MeV fifth force carrier (this or next year)

• Phase 2: Full measurement

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- Additionally:
 - Investigate modification of Stanford electronic group's HPS electronics for our purpose.
 - Work with industry: In contact with AlphaCore, development of high channel count AFE+ADC chip

Normal electronics



- APV/DREAM/... multiplex N channels to 1 ADC
- Theoretical maximum readout rate: 1/N of ADC clock
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- TODO: Scale up
 - Partial streaming readout for DL phase 1
 - Full streaming readout for DL phase 2





A typical experiment....



- Trigger: Maybe something interesting happened.
 - Something went over the line when the light was red.

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- Data readout: We make a snapshot of everything.
 - But we might miss a second car because the camera isn't ready again.

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- Analysis: Sort out the (few) bad cases. Send tickets.
 - Ambulances and fire trucks

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Fast readout system

- continuous, trigger-less, high-rate capable
- scaling from small to large channel counts, data rates
- (close to) deadtime free
- solve transposition problem

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Need external input for further protocol requirements \implies Collaborate with detector groups, iterate design.



- A constant clock defines time-slices.
- Period is slightly larger than maximal event duration in detector.
- Each event can overlap two time-slices at most.

Front end electronics



- Highly detector dependent → mock up with data generator modules, build baseline design (collaboration!)
- Can be more complex, e.g. CPU based

Front end electronics



• Readout must handle detector specifics