



### NA4- Proton Radius European Network (PREN)

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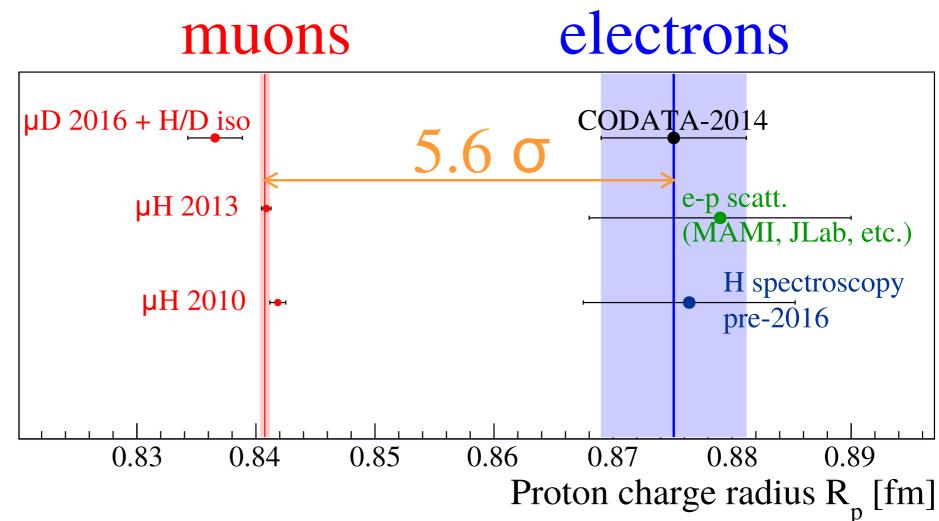


1 To **stimulate** and support a real **synergy** between all the physicists involved in the world-wide **experimental** and **theoretical** effort from **atomic spectroscopy** and **lepton scattering** in order to fully understand the persistent discrepancies and to come to a statement on the **value of the proton charge radius.** 



# Plan: How large is the proton, really?





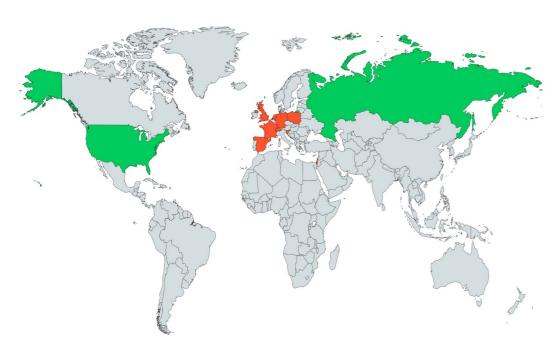
Situation before 2018



# Participants from 22 institutions / 11 countries







Theory and Experiment from
Atomic Physics and Lepton Scattering





- 1 PREN Website: https://indico.in2p3.fr/e/PREN
- 2 Workshop Travel Support
  - XIX International Conference on Science, Arts and Culture:
     The Proton Radius



September 15 - 20, 2019 - Veli Lošinj (Croatia) (~30 participants: mostly nuclear physicists)

3 Targeted Workshops / Conventions:

planned for Spring 2020, but Covid-19

new plan: spring 2021



4 Review paper: J.-Ph. Karr, D. Marchand, E. Voutier, "The proton size",

Nature Review Physics Sept. 2020

https://www.nature.com/articles/s42254-020-0229-x

5 Collaboration on systematic effects in hydrogen spectroscopy (MPQ -LKB)

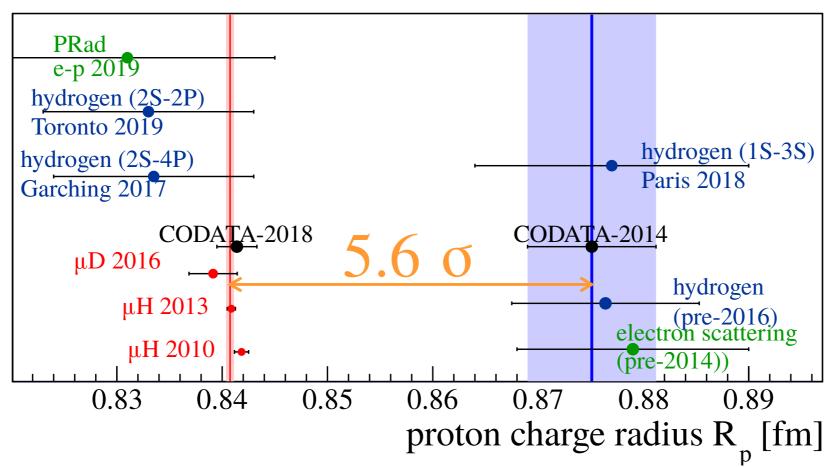
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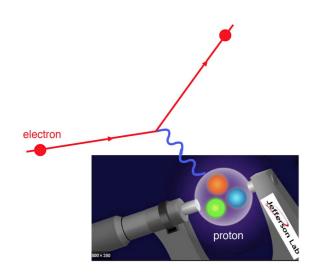
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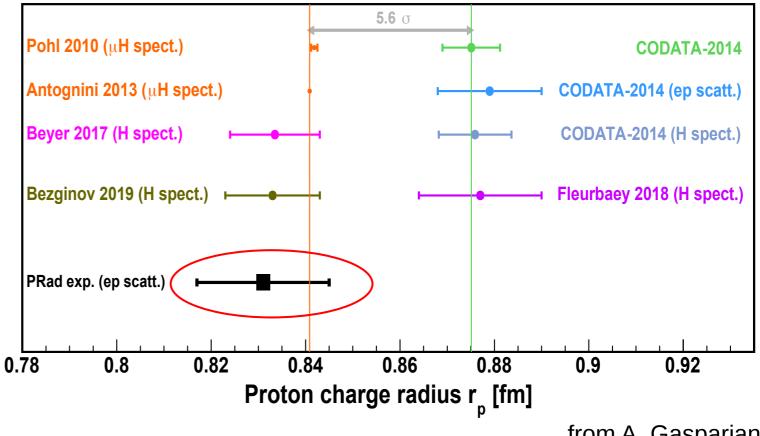


- Precision measurement of the Proton charge radius (PRad):
- Performed in 2016 in Hall B at JLab;
- Published in Nov. 2019 in Nature journal:
   Nature 575, 145 150 (2019).

$$r_p = 0.831 + -0.007 \text{ (stat.)} + 0.012 \text{ (syst.)} \text{ fm}$$

supports a smaller radius.



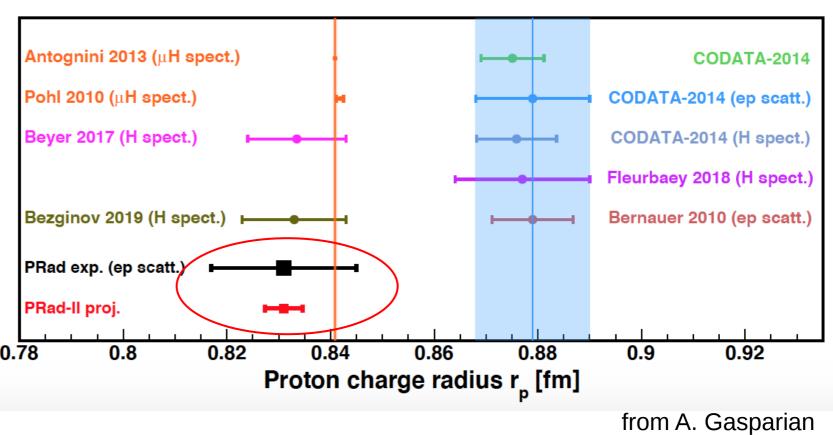




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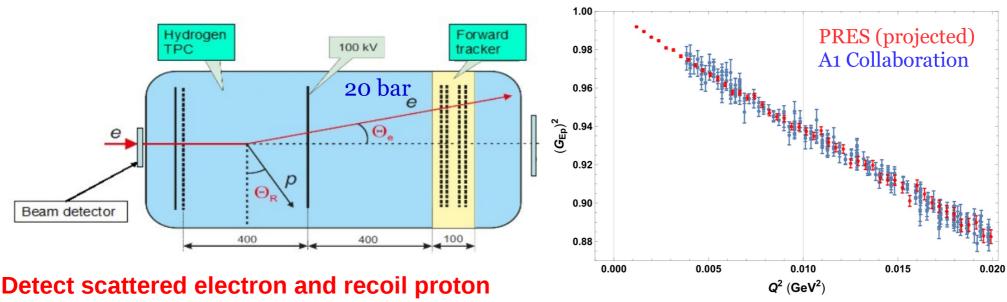
- New proposal recently approved by the JLab's PAC48 with an "A" scientific rating to perform new experiment (PRad-II) to improve the measurement accuracy by a factor of 4.
- add tracking detectors (two GEMs or microRwells);
- upgrade HyCal calorimeter to all PbWO<sub>4</sub>
   crystals;
- reach  $Q^2 = 10^{-5} \text{ GeV/c}^2$  range for the first time;
- improved beamline conditions for less background at very small angles;
- add new scintillator detectors to veto Moller events at very low scattering angles;
- implement new liquid drop target (if possible). 0.78
- Work started on the preparation of this experiment.





### PRES: Active TPC at MAMI





- → Hydrogen TPC to be used as an active target
- → Measurements at low momentum transfer: 0.001 0.02 (0.04) GeV<sup>2</sup>
- → Absolute measurements of  $d\sigma/dt$  with an accuracy on a level of ~0.2%
- → Lower radiative corrections compared to measurements with detection of the scattered electron only
- → Further opportunities for form factor measurements for the deuteron and helium isotopes

from V. Sokoyan



#### world's largest microtron

**e**,  $\vec{e}$  160-1600 MeV 0-100  $\mu$ A



started with 315 MeV in 2020 (Y. Wang *et al.*)

kinematic range,

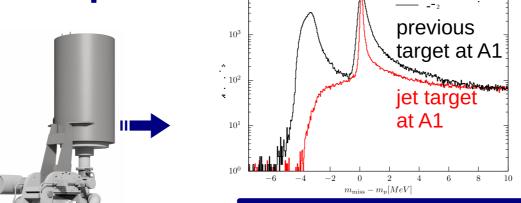
projected errors

0.0001

with improved systematics

magnetic

spectrometer



MAMI

measurement of proton form factors in H(e,e')p  $\rightarrow r_p$ 

0.99

0.98

0.97

0.96

from
S. Schlimme

point-like
gas jet
target
AG Khoukaz,
Münster

energy recovering linac

**e, e** ~20-105 MeV  $0-\underline{1000} \mu A$ 

**MAGIX** 

access to very low momentum transfers at the MAGIX experiment, 2022+

 $Q^2$  [GeV $^2$ ]



0.01

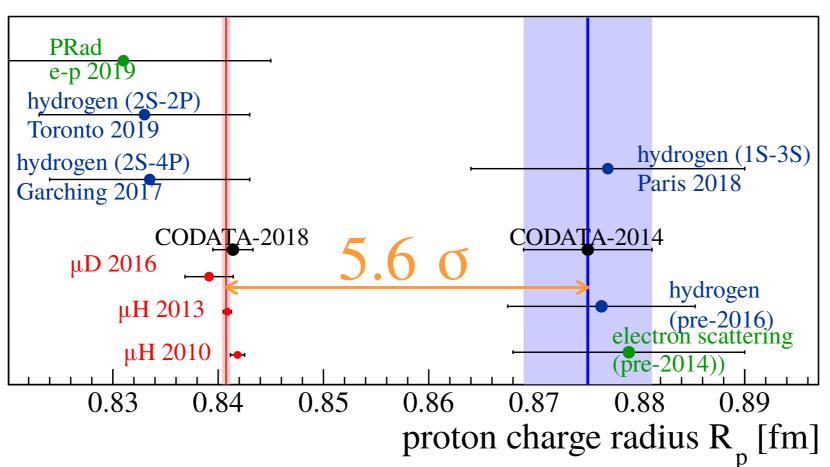




# **Atomic Spectroscopy**









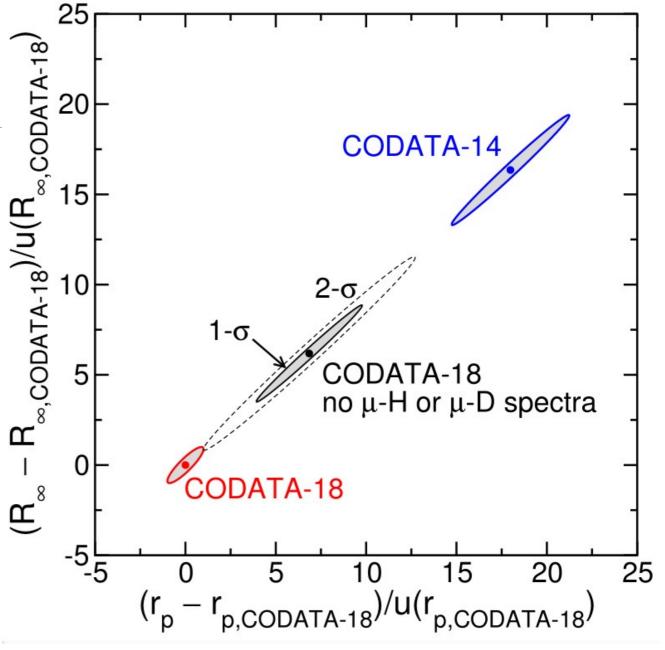
### **CODATA-2018**

adopting smaller proton radius

Rp (CODATA-18) = 0.84140 (190) fm Rp (muonic) = 0.84087 (39) fm

correspondingly smaller Rydberg constant







Scintillator (SPS)





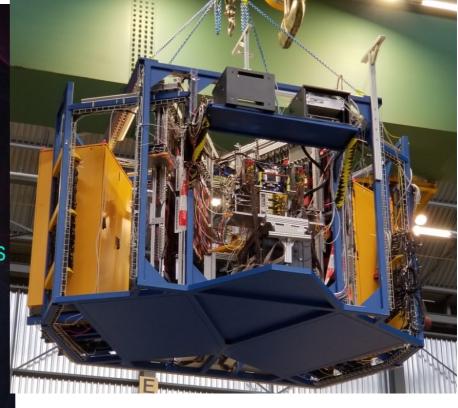
⇒ track beam particles

» Low flux (3.5 MHz)

⇒ large acceptance

» Mixed beam

⇒ PID in trigger



MUSE @ PSI Data taking 2021/22

from J. Bernauer

R. Gilman et al., arXiv:1303.2160 (nucl-ex)

Straw-Tube Tracker (STT)



## Outlook



- 1 Many more results to come:
  - muonic 4He paper: accepted
  - H(1S-3S) Paper (MPQ): accepted
  - Deuterium, muonic Helium-3
  - 2-photon exchange

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- 2 PREN Workshop: Spring 2021
- 3 Better understanding of the proton size from all perspectives



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