THE MAGIX EXPERIMENT

Not only Light Dark-Matter

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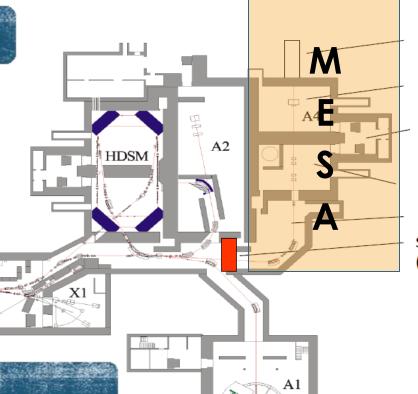
RTM2

10 m



MAMI - Multi-stage microtron

- 1.5 GeV electrons @ 0.1 mA
- Active since 1979
- Long list of scientific accomplishments
- Dark photon searches at A1



Shielding (finished 5/2014)

Four experimental areas

- A1: Electron scattering
- A2: Real photons
- X1: Hard X-Ray sources
- A4: Parity violation (Replaced by MESA)

MAINZ ER SUPERCONDUCTIVE ACCELERATOR

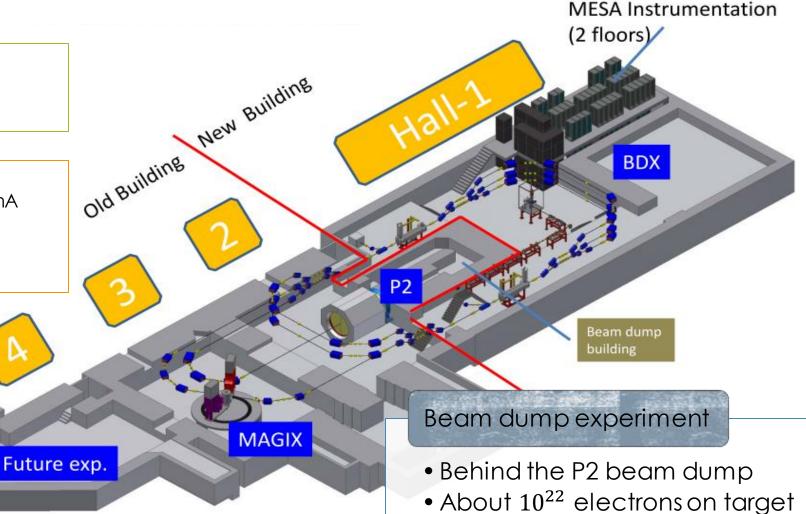


ER branch

- 105 MeV polarized electrons @ 1 mA
- Internal target scattering (MAGIX)

Extracted beam

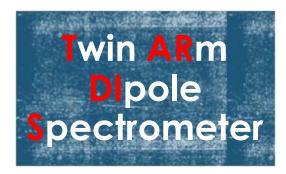
- •155 MeV polarized electrons @ 0.15 mA
- Dedicated experiment (P2)
- Electroweak asymmetry precision measurement



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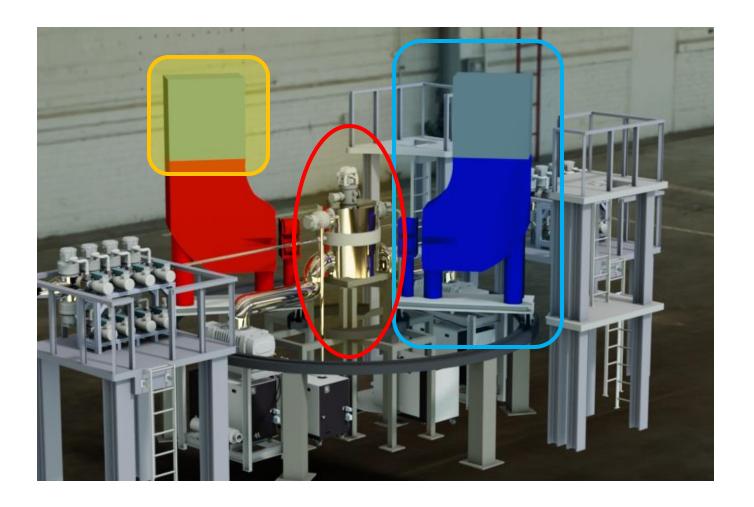








A high-precision multi-purpose experimental setup





Limited material thickness

- •Low energy electrons and recoil nuclei to measure
- •Beam recapture after the interaction

High luminosity

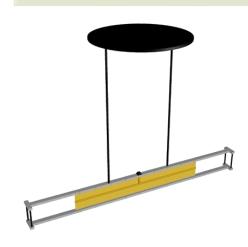
•Target luminosity $10^{35} {\rm cm}^{-2} {\rm s}^{-1}$

Gas polarization

- Optional requirement for some process
- Not relevant for DM projects

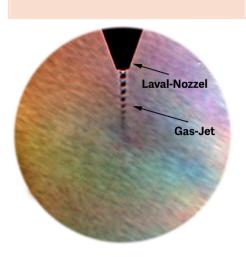
Polarized gas

 Molecular Flow inside a mylar tube



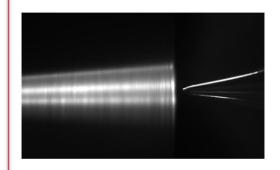
Supersonic jet

- 2 mm wide jet stream in vacuum
- 10¹⁹ atoms / cm²



Cluster-Jet

- Molecular clustering @ 40K
- Increase selfconatinment



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Compact magnetic spectrometers

- Dipole + quadrupole design
- •High momentum acceptance (~45%)

High resolution

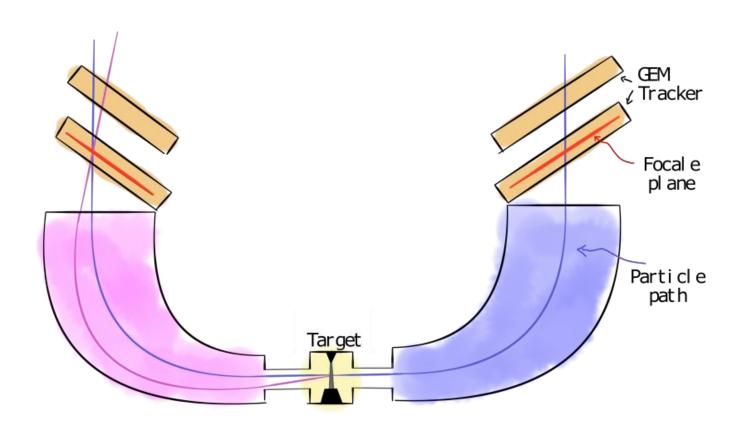
- $\bullet \frac{\Delta p}{p} \approx 10^{-4}$
- $\Delta\theta \cong 0.9 \,\mathrm{mrad}$

High rate capability

- With a CW operation rates up to O(1 MHz)
- Count rates of $O(100 \, KHz)$

Detectors

- GEM based focal planes (under development)
- Recoil detectors integrated in the scattering chamber (initial development)
- •0 degree detector (under study)
- Forward tagging (under study)





Hadronic structure

- Proton form factors (electric and magnetic)
- Nuclear polarizabilities
- Light nuclei form factors (Deuteron and helium)

Few-body physics

- Deuteron and ³He breakup
- ⁴He monopole transition factors
- Test of effective field theories
- Inclusive electron scattering

Precision cross-sections

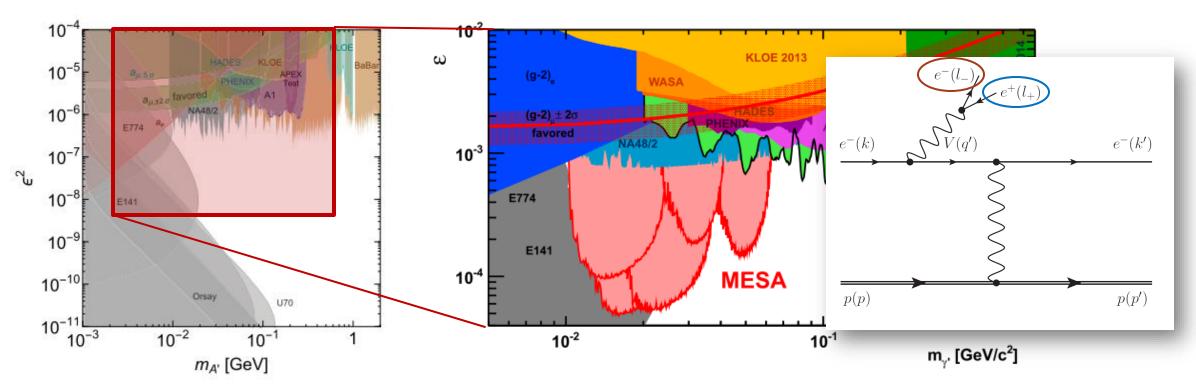
• 16O(e, e'a)12C S-factor

Search for exotica

- Direct dark photon search
- Invisible decaying dark photon search
- Beam dump experiment (technically is not MAGIX but involves the same group)

DARK PHOTON VISIBLE DECAYS





Measure the momenta of e⁺ e⁻ in coincidence

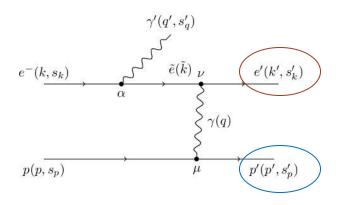
Bump hunting in the invariant mass distribution

Mass sensitivity: 10 – 60 MeV Coupling down to about $\epsilon > 5 \cdot 10^{-5}$



DARK PHOTON INVISIBLE DECAYS





Full kinematic reconstruction

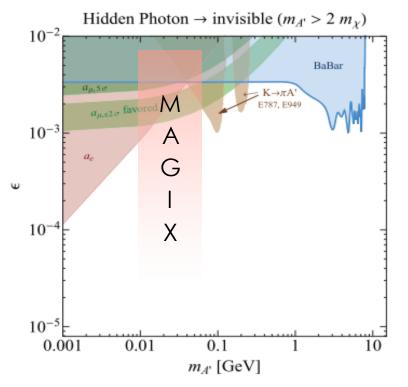
- Spectrometer for electron
- Second detector for the proton

Work in progress

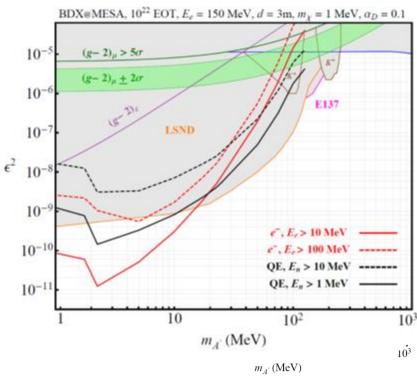
- Spectrometer efficiency for proton detection
- Do we need a separate recoil detector?

Mass sensitivity about 10-60 MeV

Coupling sensitivity unknown

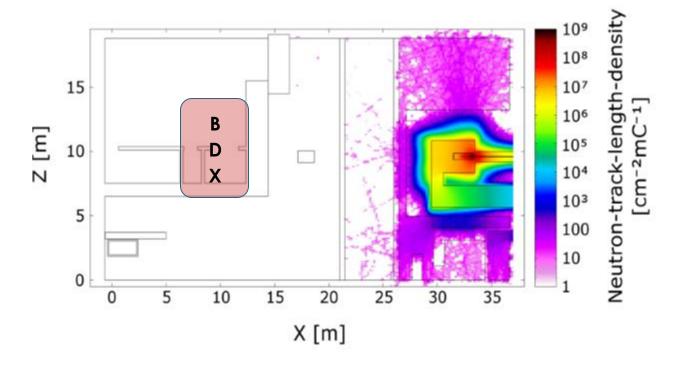








- Done by G. Krnjaic assuming a BDX like setup
- Competitive below about 10 MeV
- New studies are starting



Background simulations

- Low beam energy → only neutrons
- No beam backgrounds at the experiment location



Construction schedule

- Earliest availability of MESA: 2020
- First MAGIX operation: 2021-22

Design timeline

- R&D projects ongoing
- Physics book to be published in autumn
- TDR before the end of 2017

Financing

- Accelerator and experiments financed by the German science council and the PRISMA cluster of excellence
- PRISMA funded by the Rheinland-Pfalzstate and by the Mainz university

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MAGIX: a versatile experiment

- Experimental setup for high precision measurements
- Rich physics program under development

Dark matter searches

- Sensitive to Dark Photons with mass of about 10-60 MeV
- Sensitivity to couplings of the order of 10⁻⁴
- Full simulations under development
- Beam dump experiment included in the program

Open and expanding collaboration

- Currently 4 institutes involved
- First collaboration meeting 15-17 February 2017
- Open to new physics proposals to make the project long-lasting
- Open to new collaborators to realize the Magix



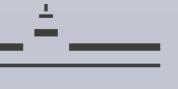


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