

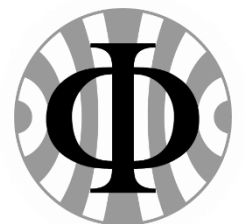


The Mu3e experiment from concepts to construction



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The Goal of the Mu3e Experiment

Current best limit on $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+$

$$BR_{meas} < 10^{-12} \text{ (SINDRUM 1988)}$$

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SEARCH FOR THE DECAY $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+$

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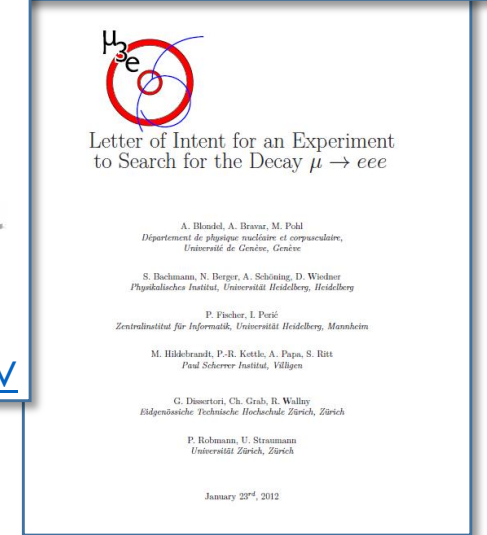
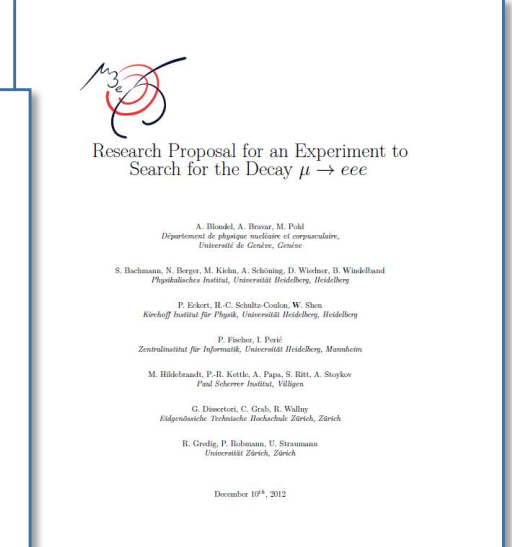
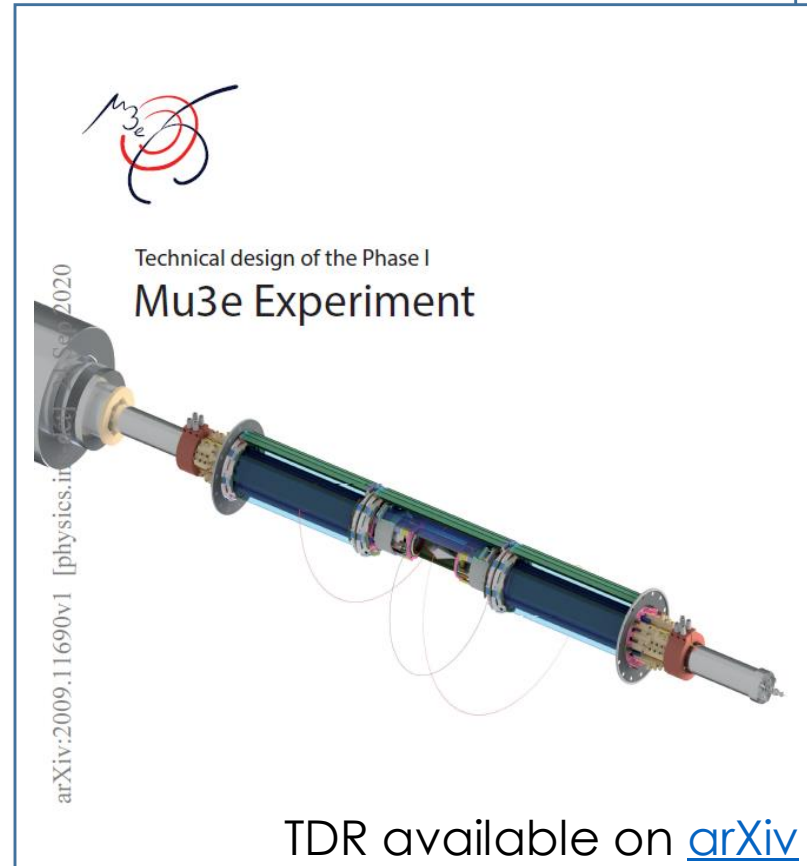
The search for the decay $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+$ with the SINDRUM spectrometer has been continued. The result is a new upper limit for the branching ratio $B_{\mu \rightarrow 3e} = \Gamma(\mu \rightarrow 3e)/\Gamma(\mu \rightarrow e2\nu) < 1.0 \times 10^{-12}$ (90% CL).



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The **Mu3e** experiment aims to **find or exclude** the lepton flavour violating decay $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+$ at branching fractions above **10^{-16}**





Why to search for $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+$



Tensions in Lepton Physics

Muon anomalous magnetic moment

$$a_\mu = \frac{g_\mu - 2}{2}$$

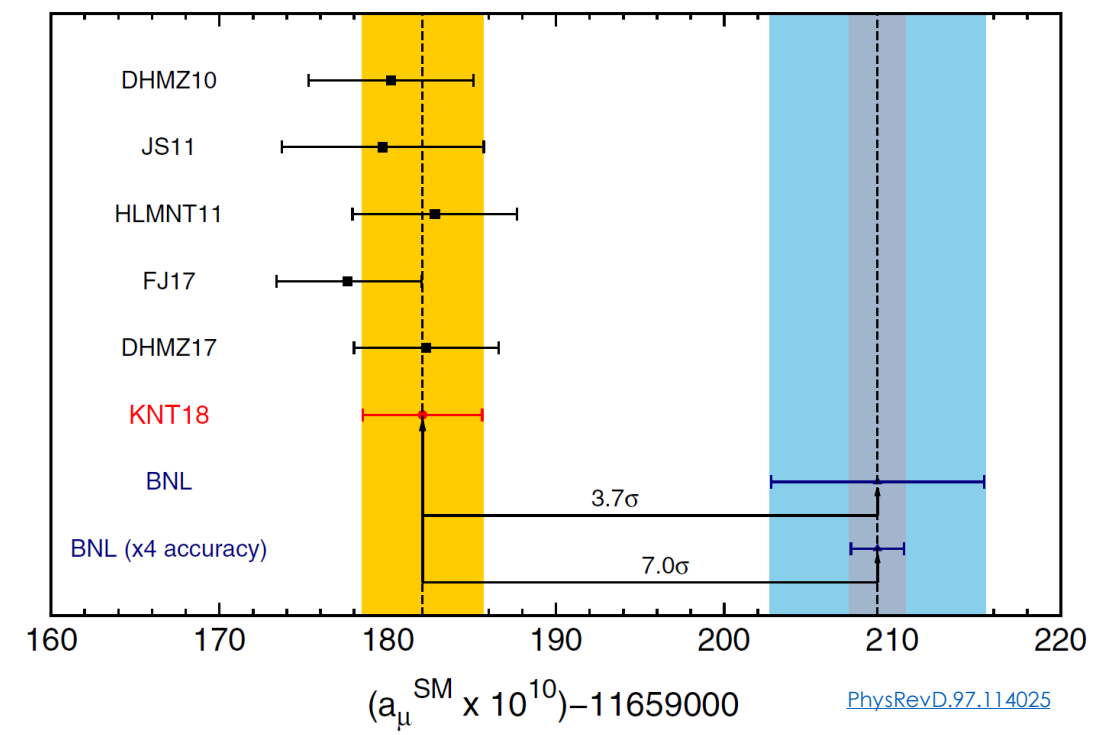
Calculated to fantastic precision

$$a_\mu^{SM} = (11659182.04 \pm 3.56) \times 10^{-10}$$

Tension $\updownarrow > 3\sigma$

$$a_\mu^{exp} = (11659209.1 \pm 5.4 \pm 3.3) \times 10^{-10}$$

And measured to fantastic precision!



New Physics could be involved...

Tensions in Lepton Physics

Lepton Flavour Universality **Violation?**

$$\Gamma(Z \rightarrow e^+ e^-) = \Gamma(Z \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-)$$

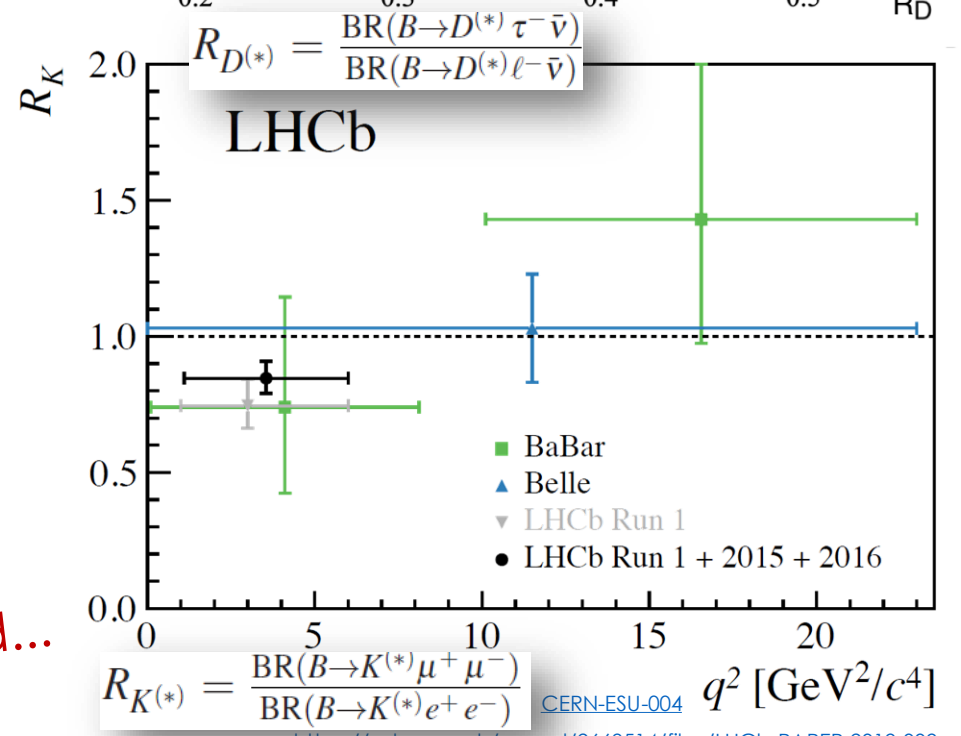
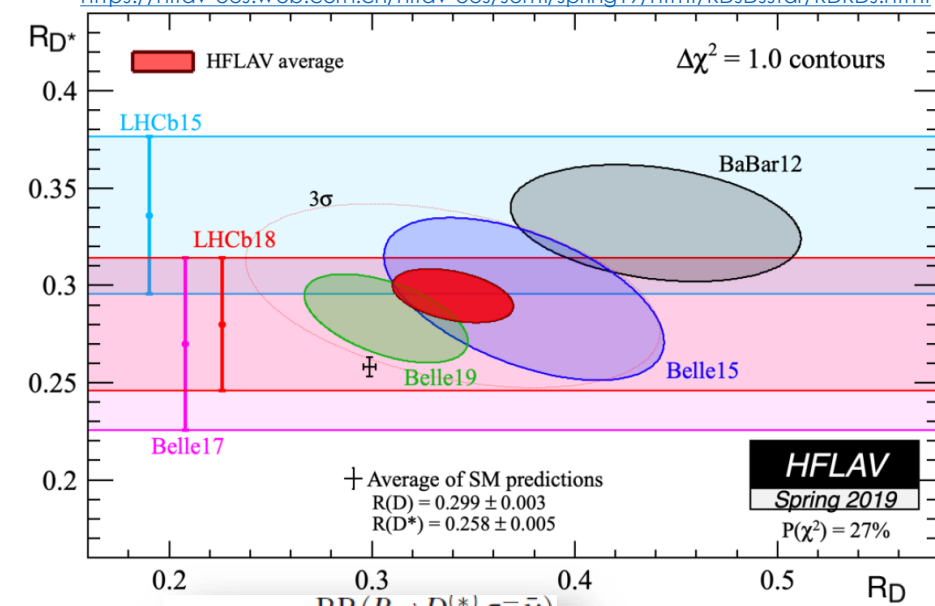
$$\Gamma(W^+ \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e) = \Gamma(W^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu)$$

B-meson decays that only differ in final lepton content

$$R_{X^{(*)}} = \frac{BR(B \rightarrow X^{(*)} ll/l\nu)}{BR(B \rightarrow X^{(*)} l'l'/l'\nu')}$$

2.5 – 3σ tension between measurements and SM predictions

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Lepton Flavour Symmetry in the SM

No right-handed neutrinos



Neutrinos are massless

Lepton flavor is an exact symmetry and conserved in the Standard Model

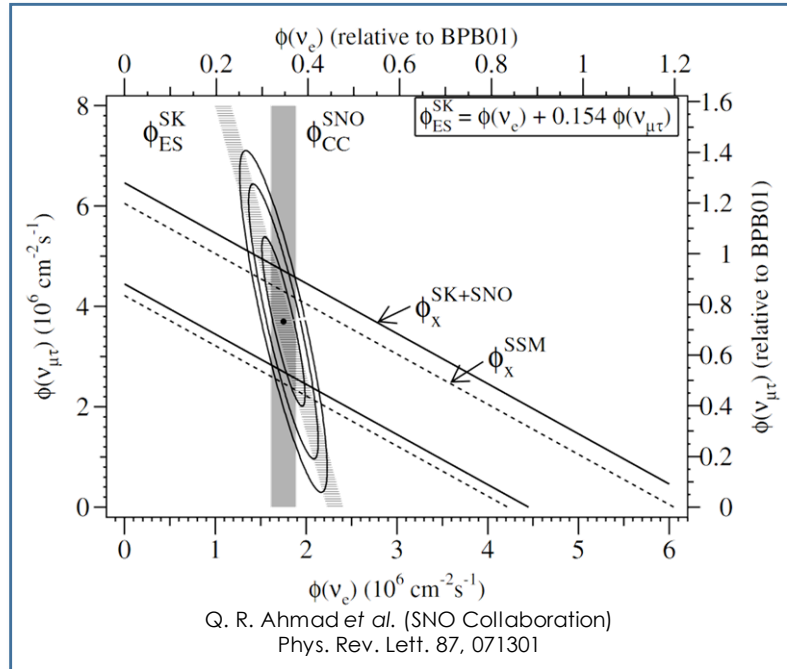
... at least that's what we thought in the early days of the SM



But wait – Neutrinos mix!

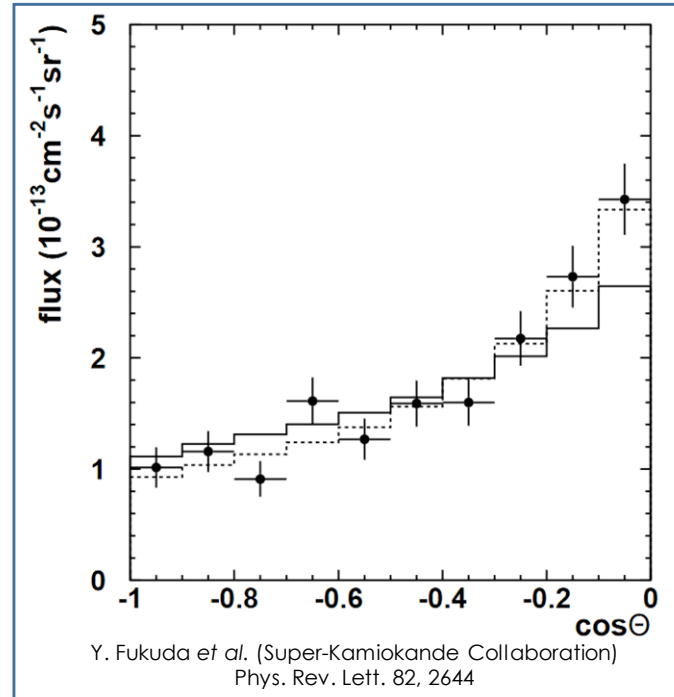
Solar neutrinos

Disappearance of electron neutrinos

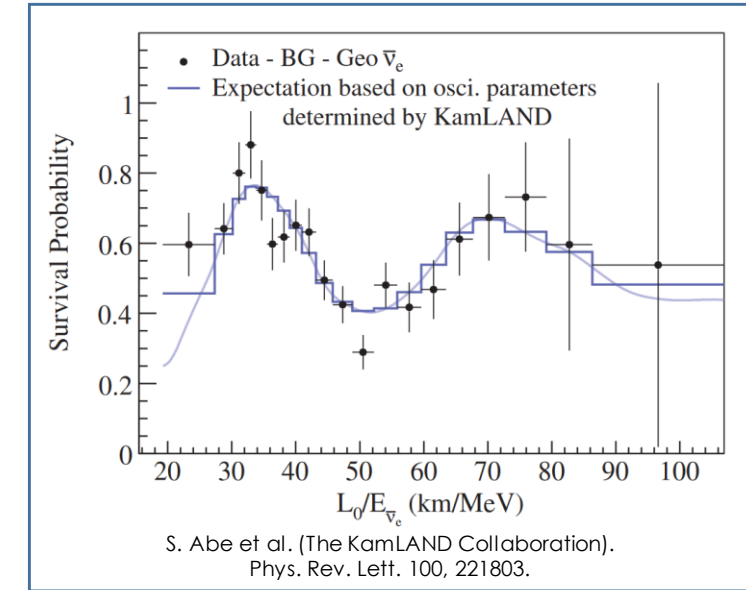


And since then: many more precise measurements!

Zenith angle dependence in atmospheric neutrinos



Oscillations in reactor anti-neutrinos



There has to be some sort of New Physics involved!



Lepton Flavour Symmetry in the SM

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Neutrinos are **not** massless

Lepton flavor is *not* an exact symmetry and *not* conserved in the Standard Model



Charged Lepton Flavour Violation

Include neutrino mixing in the SM*

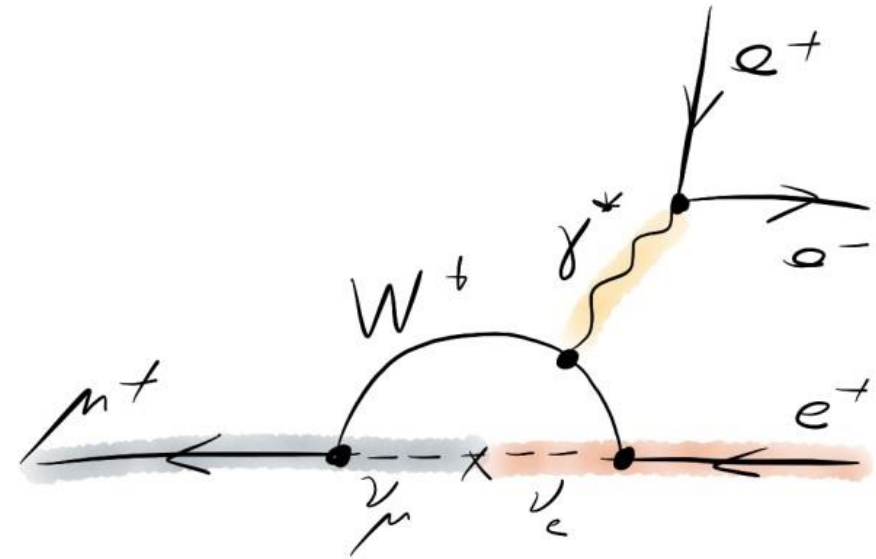
cLFV in general possible

BUT

Highly suppressed branching ratio

e.g. $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+$ **BR** = $\mathcal{O}(10^{-55})$

Increased by many New Physics models!



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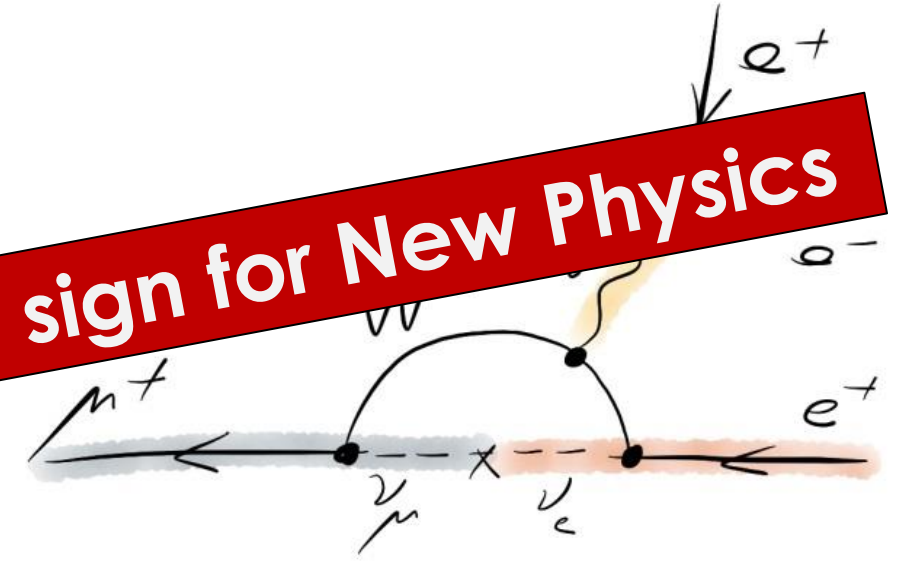
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So if we observe cLFV → clear sign for New Physics

$e^+e^-e^+$ BR = $\mathcal{O}(10^{-55})$



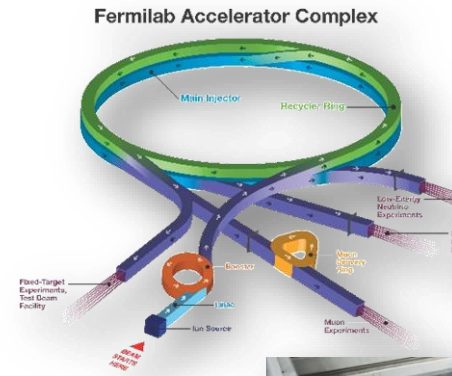
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Tests of cLFV



- **Muons** are a versatile probe for cLFV
- **High intensity** muon beams available around the world (PSI, J-PARC, Fermilab)
- Search for
 - **Deviations from SM expectations**
 - **Forbidden or extremely suppressed phenomena**



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Muons accelerated in Japan
9 July 2018

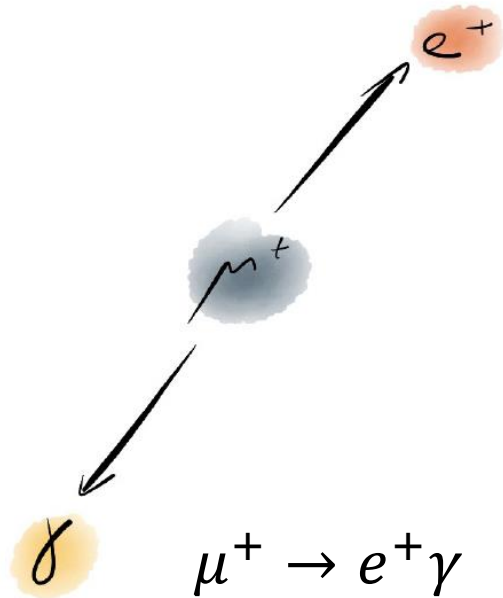


Also at colliders (LHC, Belle II)

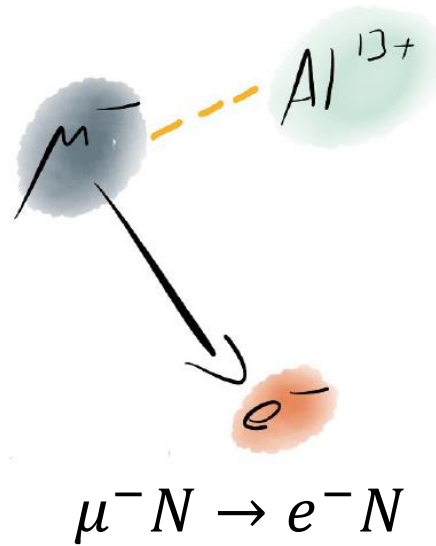
- LVF decays of Higgs
- Leptoquark searches
- LVF decays of B-mesons
 $B^0 \rightarrow e^\pm \mu^\mp, B_s^0 \rightarrow e^\pm \mu^\mp$
- LFV decays of τ
 $\tau \rightarrow 3l, \tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma$



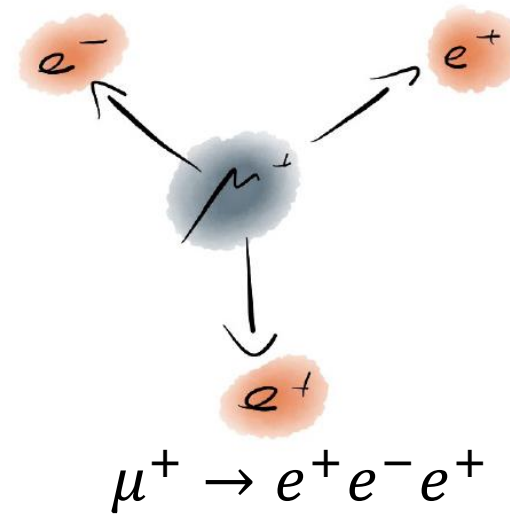
Golden Muon Decay Channels



MEG (PSI)
 $BR < 4.2 \times 10^{-13}$



SINDRUM II (PSI)
 $BR < 7 \times 10^{-13} (\text{Au})$

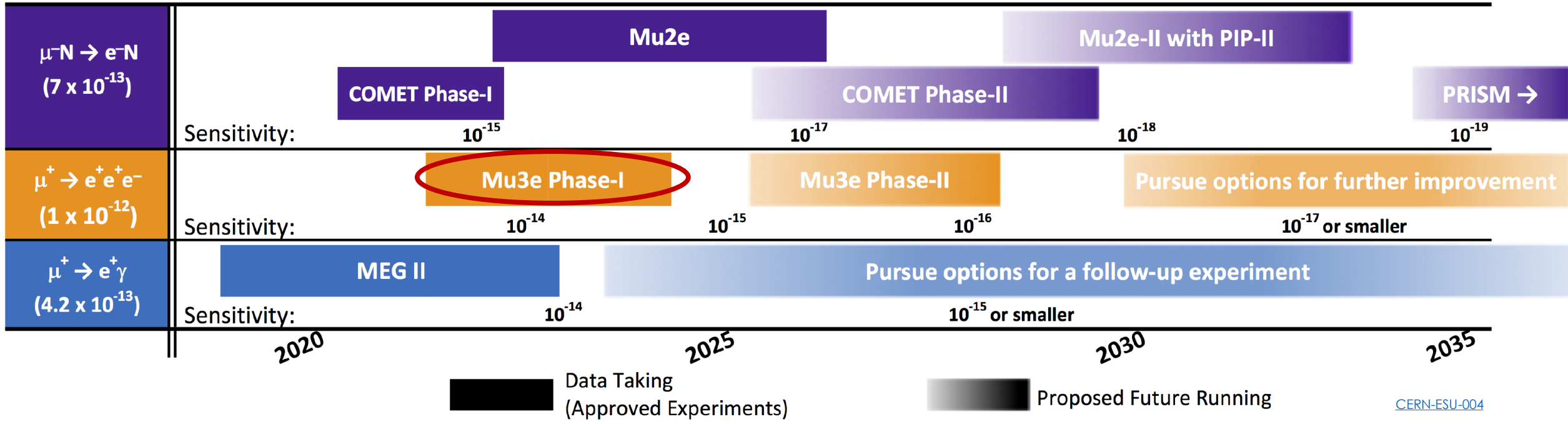


SINDRUM (PSI)
 $BR < 1 \times 10^{-12}$



Timeline of Muon cLFV Searches

Searches for Charged-Lepton Flavor Violation in Experiments using Intense Muon Beams



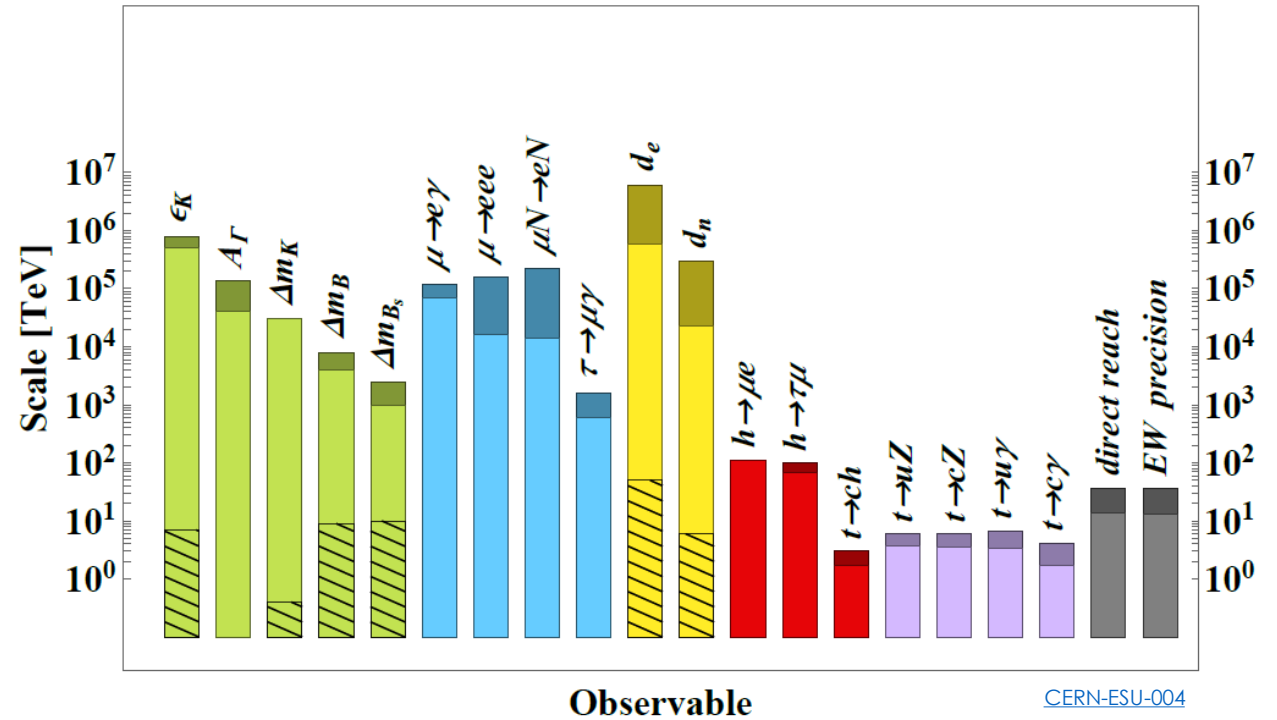


Sensitivity of Muon cLFV Searches

- Extremely high mass scales
- Model-independent effective Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \frac{C_5}{\Lambda_M} \mathcal{O}^{(5)} + \sum_a \frac{C_6^a}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{O}_a^{(6)} + \dots$$

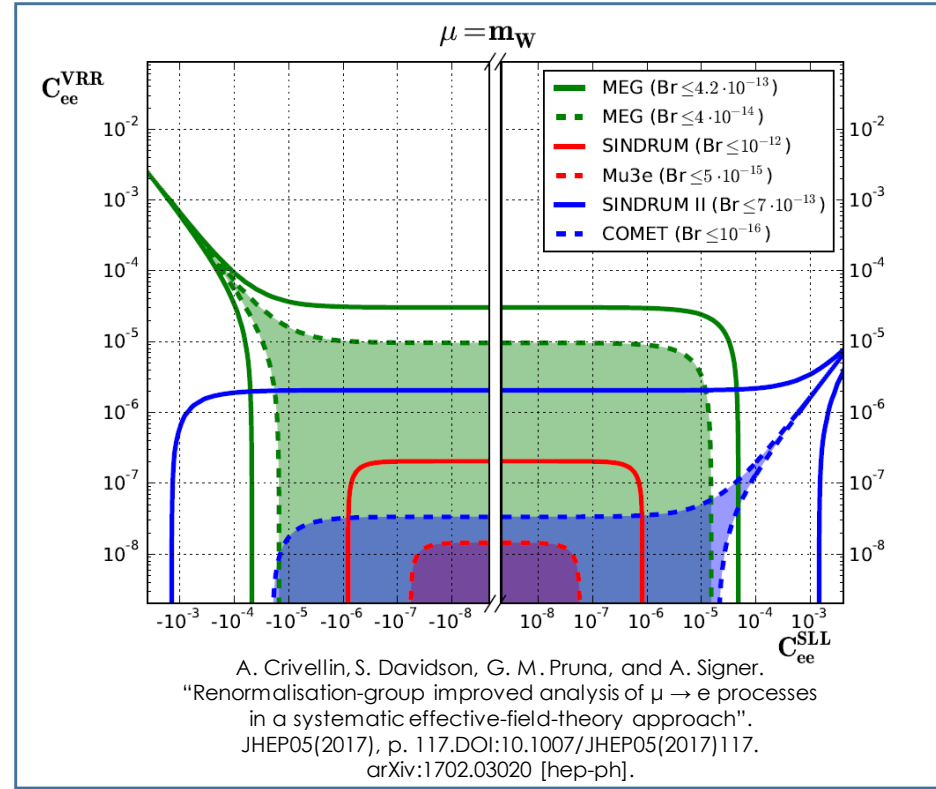
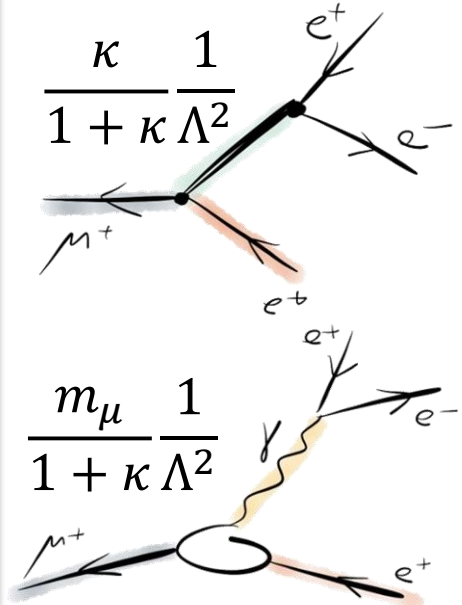
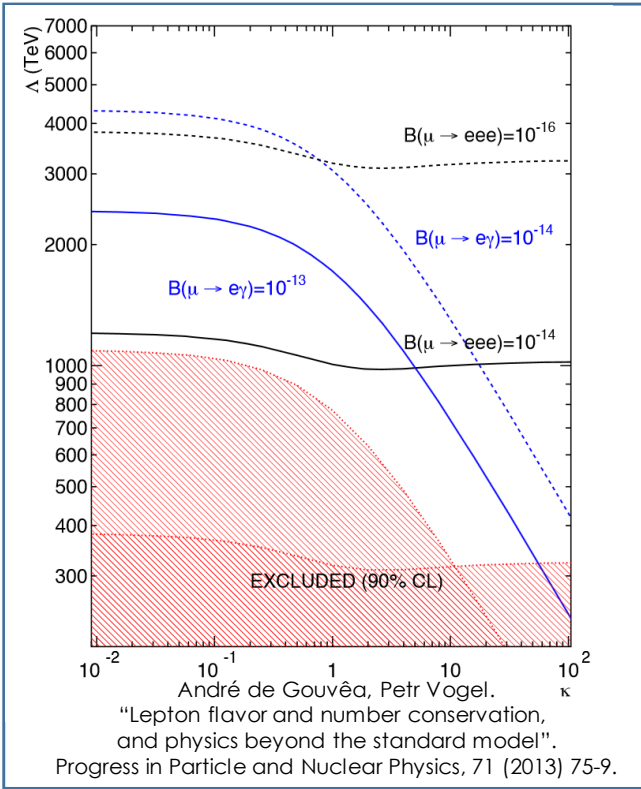
$\mathcal{O}_a^{(6)}$ encodes new particles with generic mass scale Λ





Complementarity

- The 3 processes have different sensitivities to scalar, vector, tensor, ... interactions
- New Physics may enter at tree or loop level



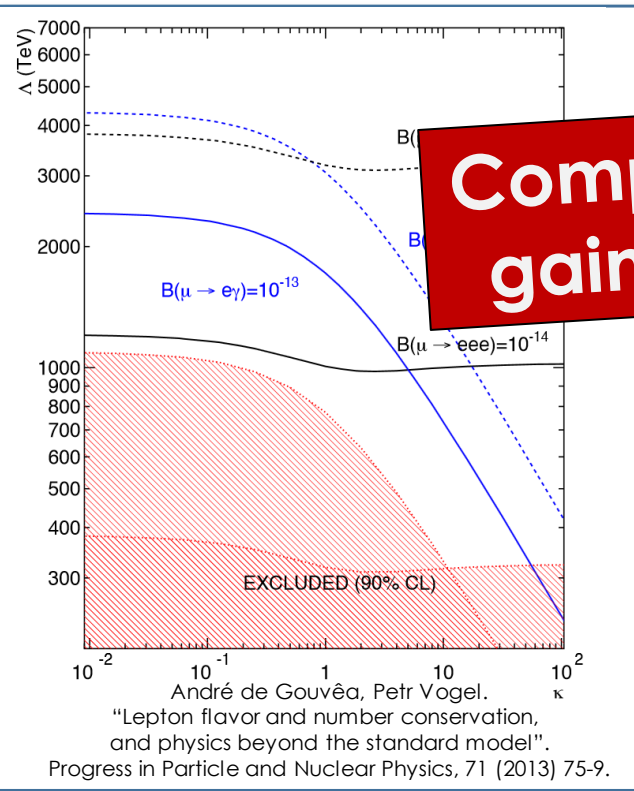
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MSSM	Loop	Loop	$\approx 6 \times 10^{-3}$	$10^{-3} - 10^{-2}$
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Type-II seesaw	Tree	Loop	$(0.1 - 3) \times 10^3$	$\mathcal{O}(10^{-2})$
Type-III seesaw	Tree	Tree	$\approx 10^3$	$\mathcal{O}(10^3)$
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Composite Higgs	Loop	Loop	0.05 – 0.5	2 – 20

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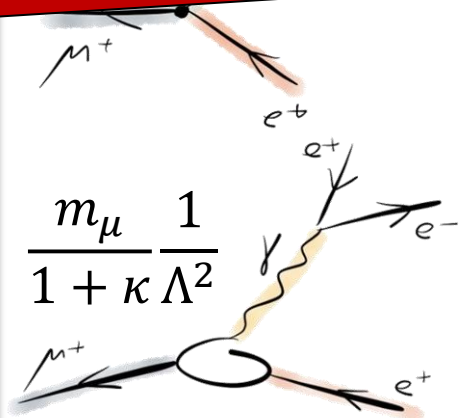


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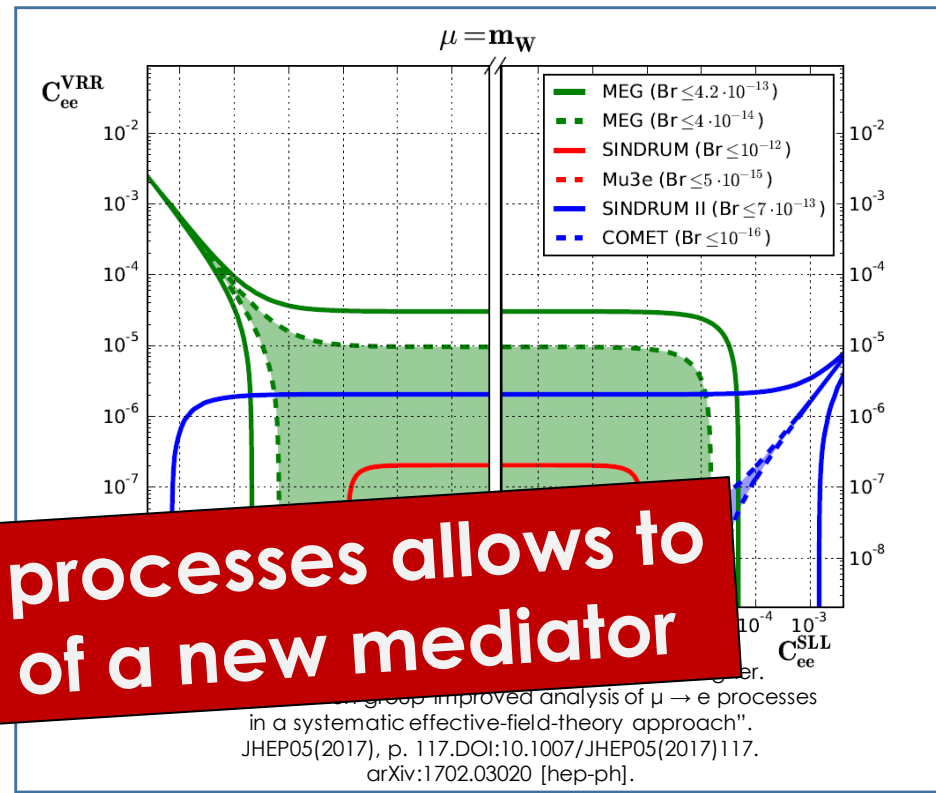
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Comparison of different processes allows to gain insight into nature of a new mediator



$$\frac{m_\mu}{1 + \kappa \Lambda^2}$$



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The Experimental Concept

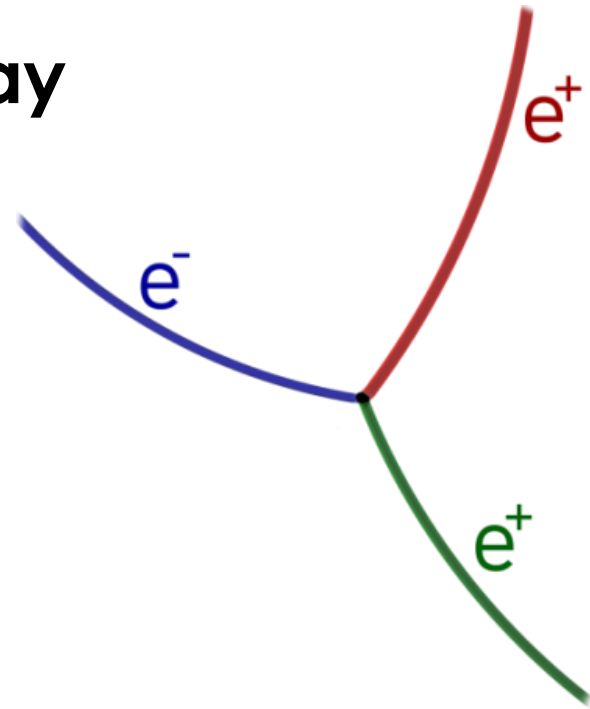


The Signal Decay

Muons are stopped before decay

Experimental Signature

- Common vertex
- Time coincident
- $\sum \vec{p} = 0$
- $\sum E = m_\mu$



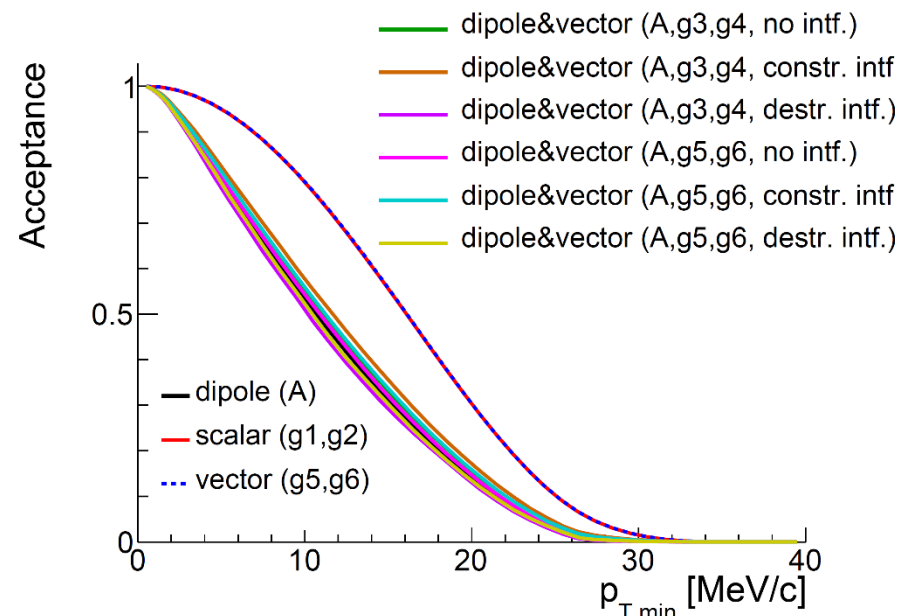
Signal Modelling

- Important input for the design of the Mu3e experiment
- Need high acceptance in all regions of phase space
- Minimum energy of **few MeV**, with **large solid angle** coverage!

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_{\mu \rightarrow eee} = & -\frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} [m_\mu A_R \bar{\mu}_R \sigma^{\mu\nu} e_L F_{\mu\nu} \\
 & + m_\mu A_L \bar{\mu}_L \sigma^{\mu\nu} e_R F_{\mu\nu} \\
 & + g_1 (\bar{\mu}_R e_L) (\bar{e}_R e_L) \\
 & + g_2 (\bar{\mu}_L e_R) (\bar{e}_L e_R) \\
 & + g_3 (\bar{\mu}_R \gamma^\mu e_R) (\bar{e}_R \gamma_\mu e_R) \\
 & + g_4 (\bar{\mu}_L \gamma^\mu e_L) (\bar{e}_L \gamma_\mu e_L) \\
 & + g_5 (\bar{\mu}_R \gamma^\mu e_R) (\bar{e}_L \gamma_\mu e_L) \\
 & + g_6 (\bar{\mu}_L \gamma^\mu e_L) (\bar{e}_R \gamma_\mu e_R) + H.c.]
 \end{aligned}$$



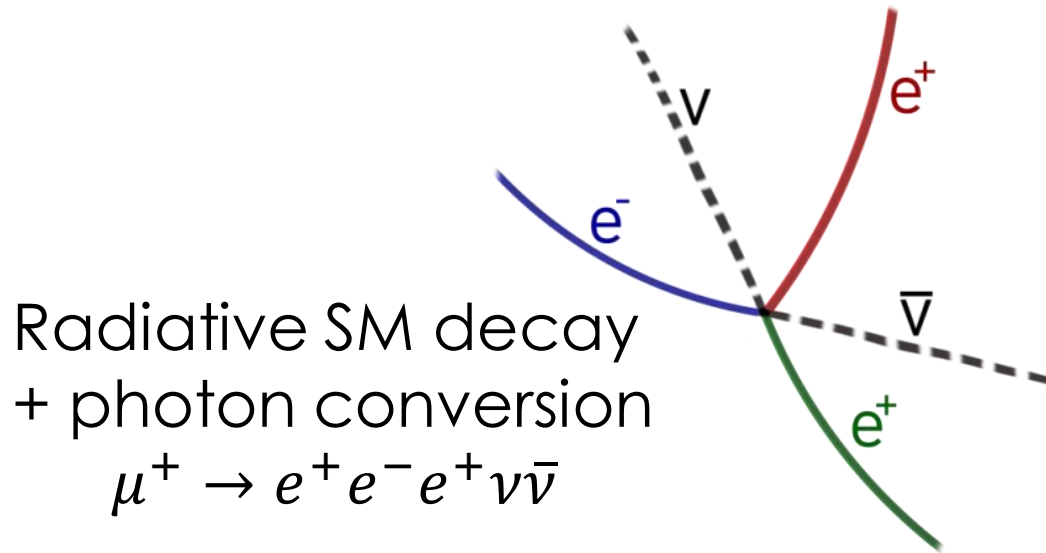
Parametrised Lagrangian by [Kuno and Okada](#)



Acceptance for different types of interaction depending on the transverse momentum threshold



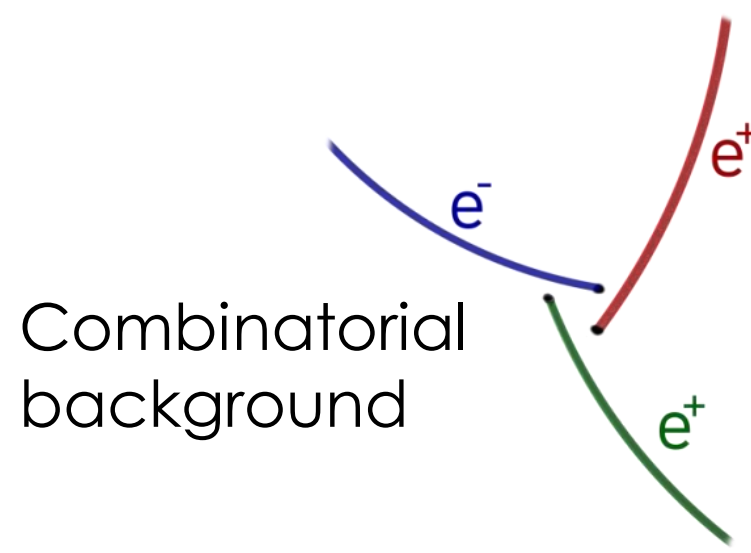
Main Sources of Background



Radiative SM decay
+ photon conversion
 $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$

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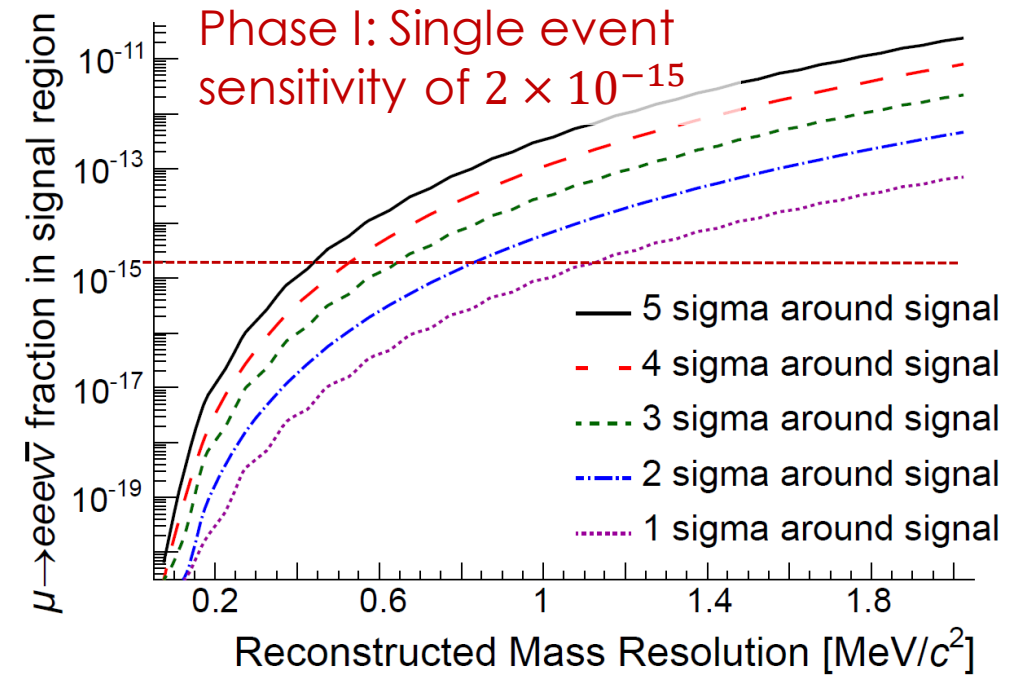
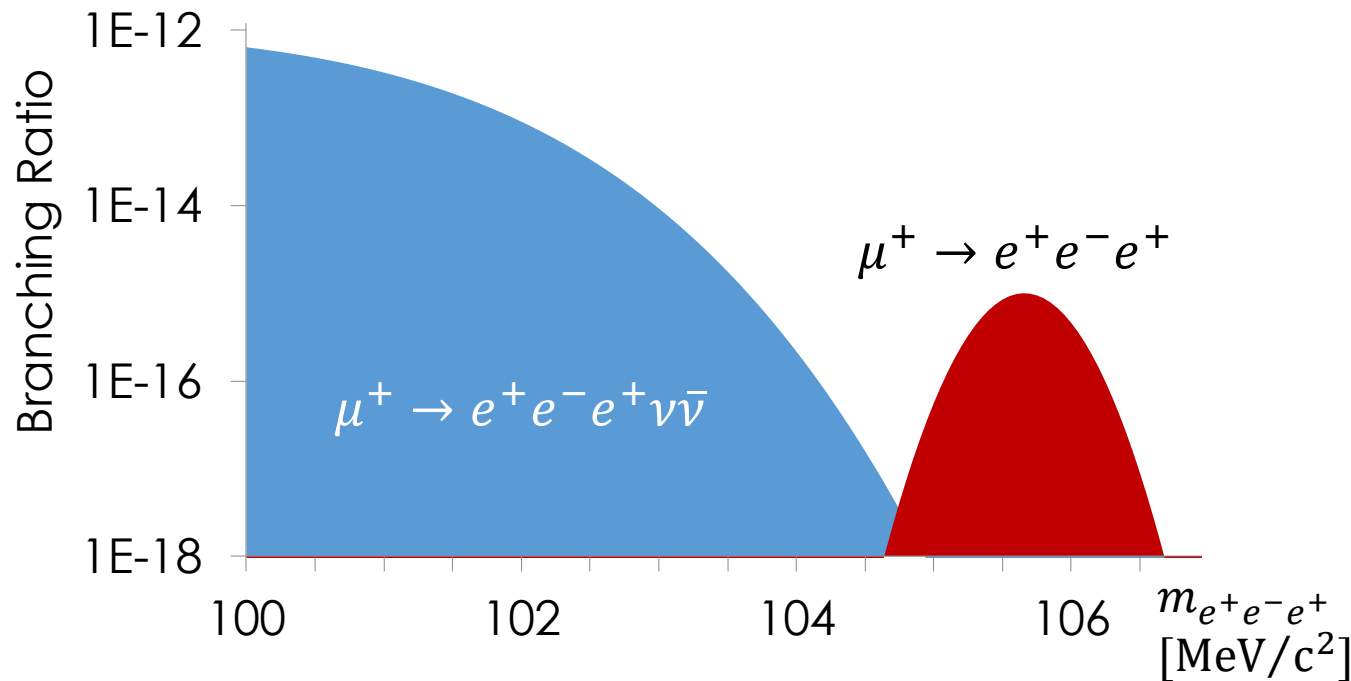
Combinatorial
background

Experimental Signature

- No common vertex
- Not time coincident
- $\sum \vec{p} \neq 0$
- $\sum E \neq m_\mu$



Momentum Resolution Requirement

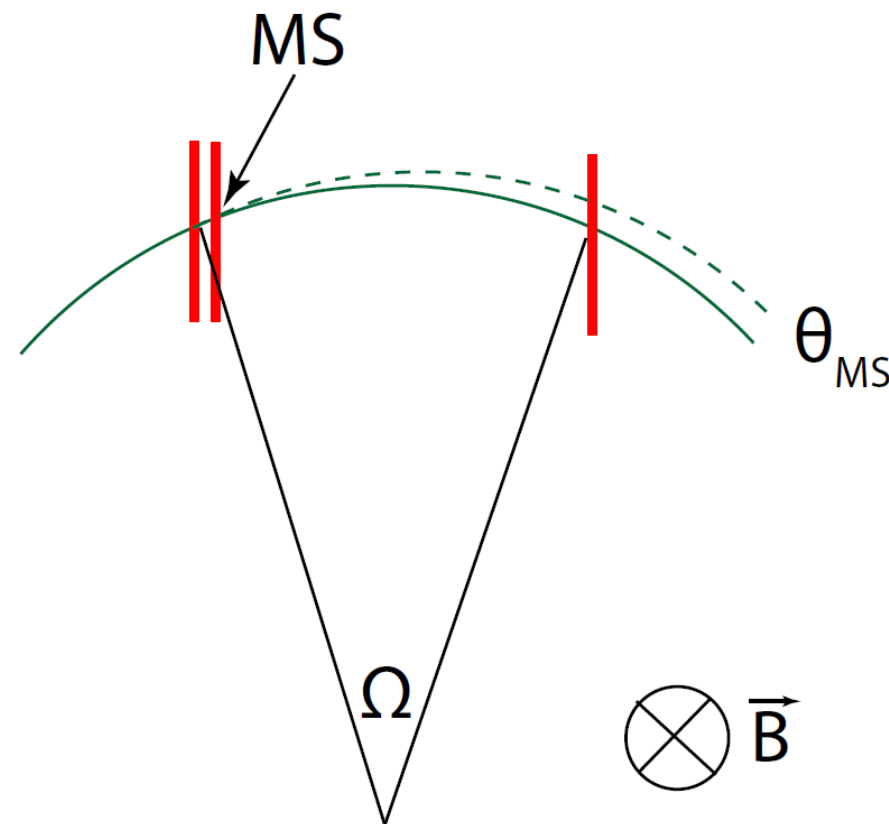


- Distinguish signal and background: missing momentum
- Requires excellent average momentum resolution $\sigma_p < 1.0 \text{ MeV}/c$



Momentum Measurement

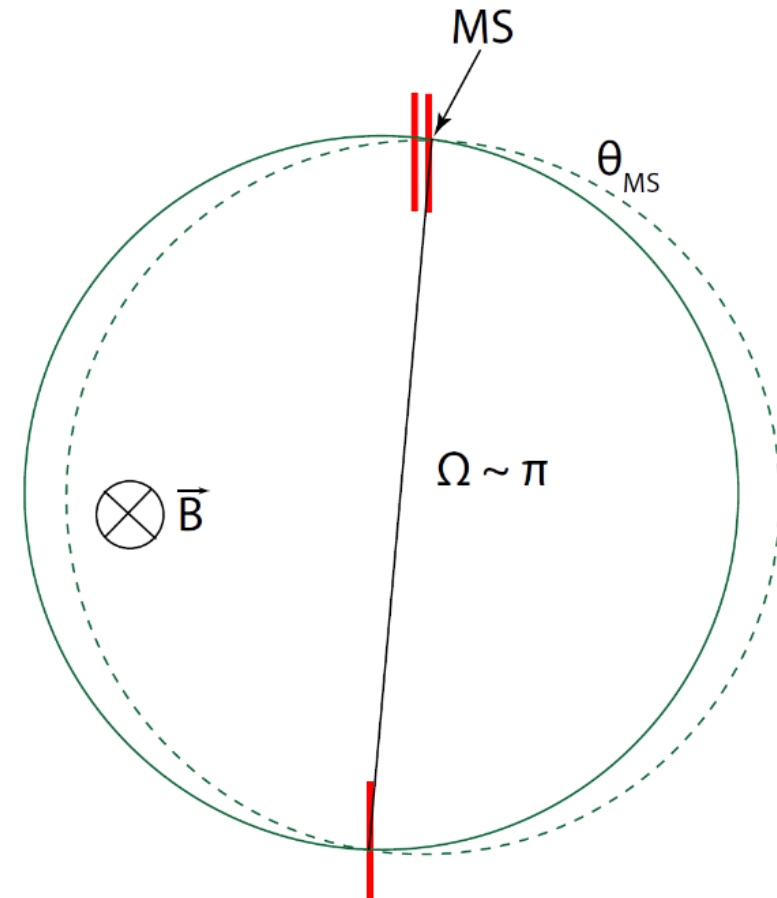
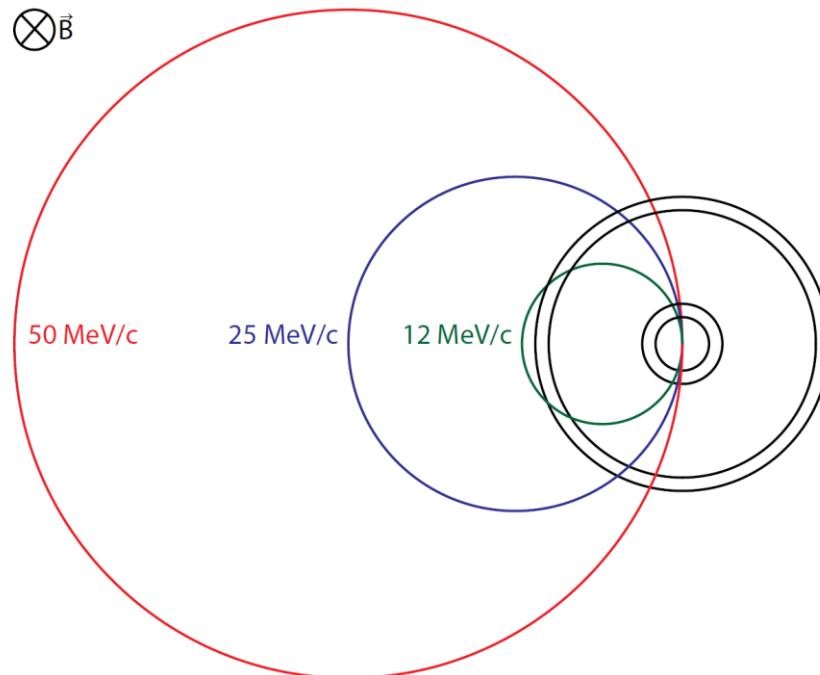
- Stopped muons
→ **low momentum** $e^- e^+$
- Momentum resolution limited by **multiple scattering** $\sigma_p/p \propto \theta_{MS}/\Omega$
- Advantageous
 - Large lever arm Ω
 - Low multiple scattering θ_{MS}
 - **Material budget $\leq 1\% X_0$ per layer**



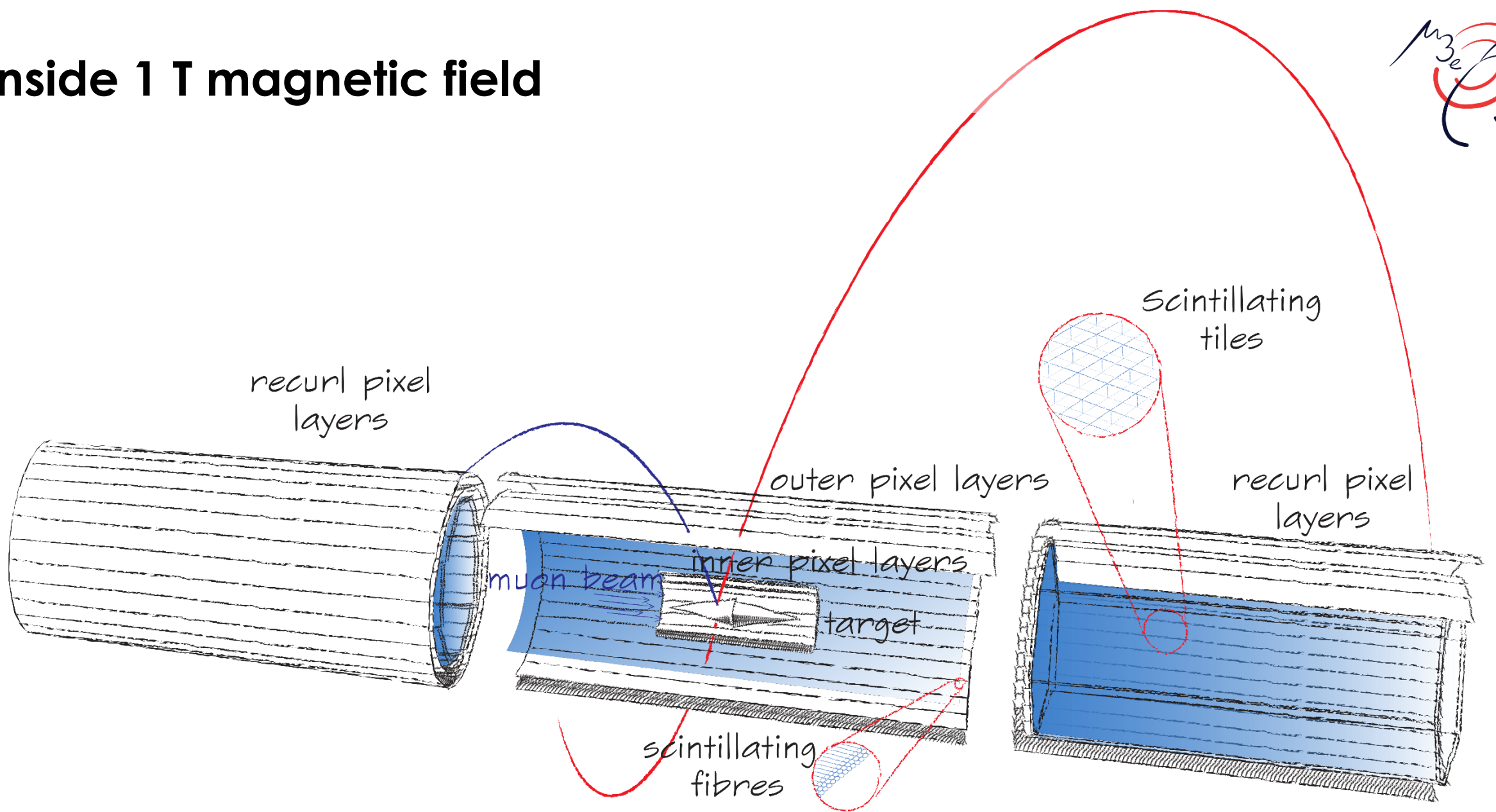


Enhancing Momentum Measurement

- Allow particles to **recurl** into the detector
- Multiple scattering **uncertainty cancels** to first order for a half-turn



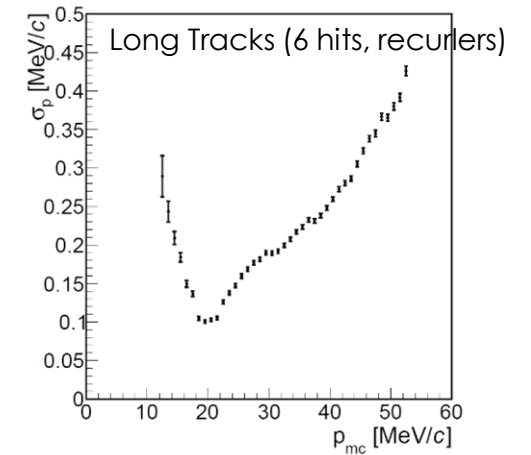
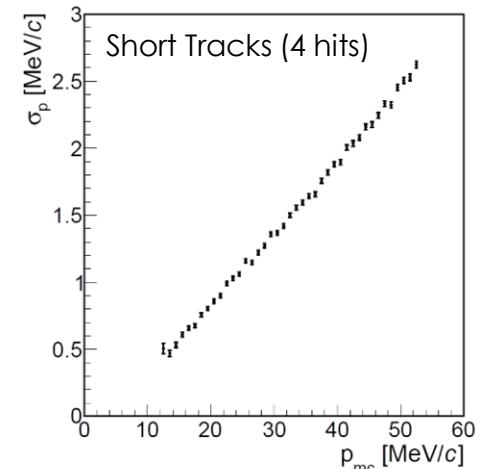
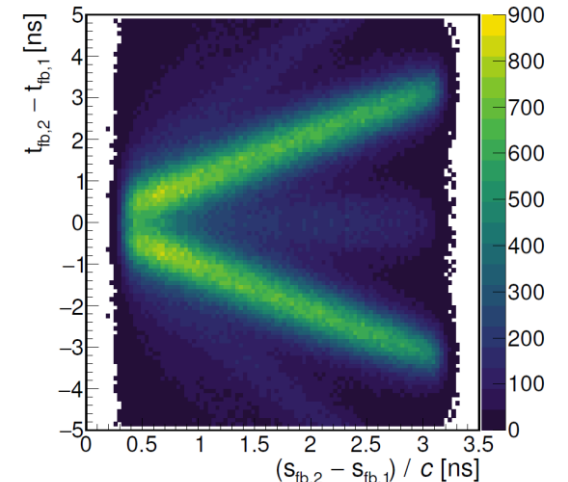
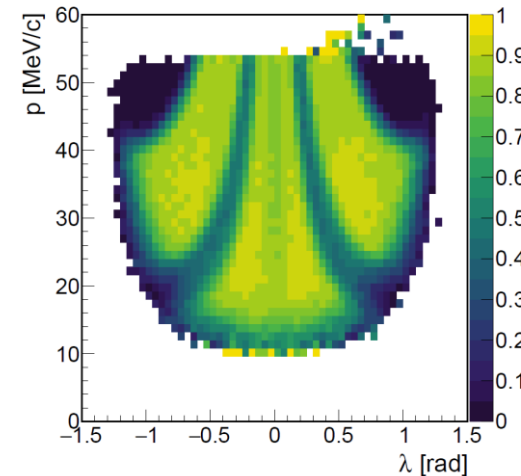
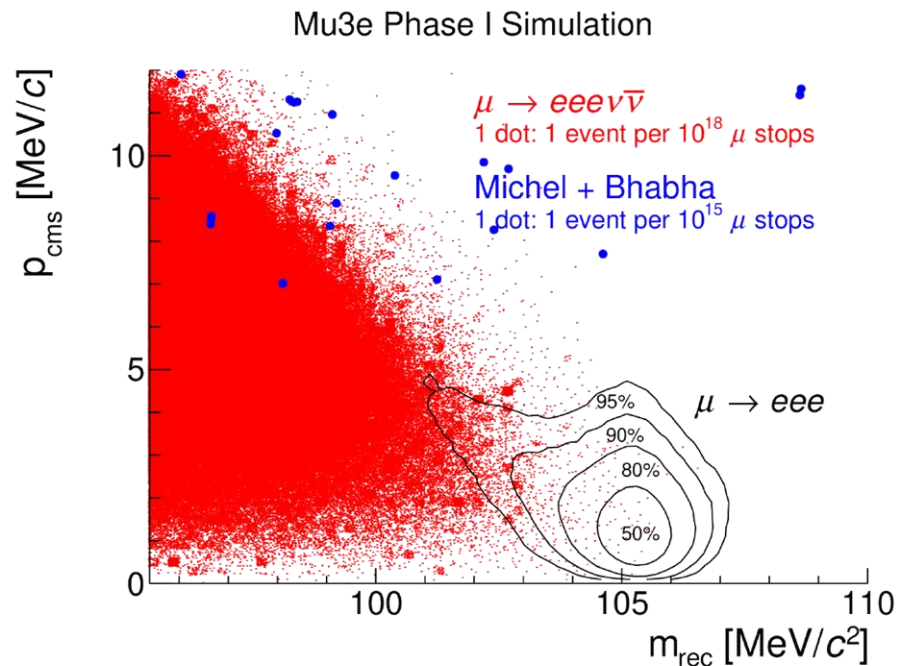
Inside 1 T magnetic field





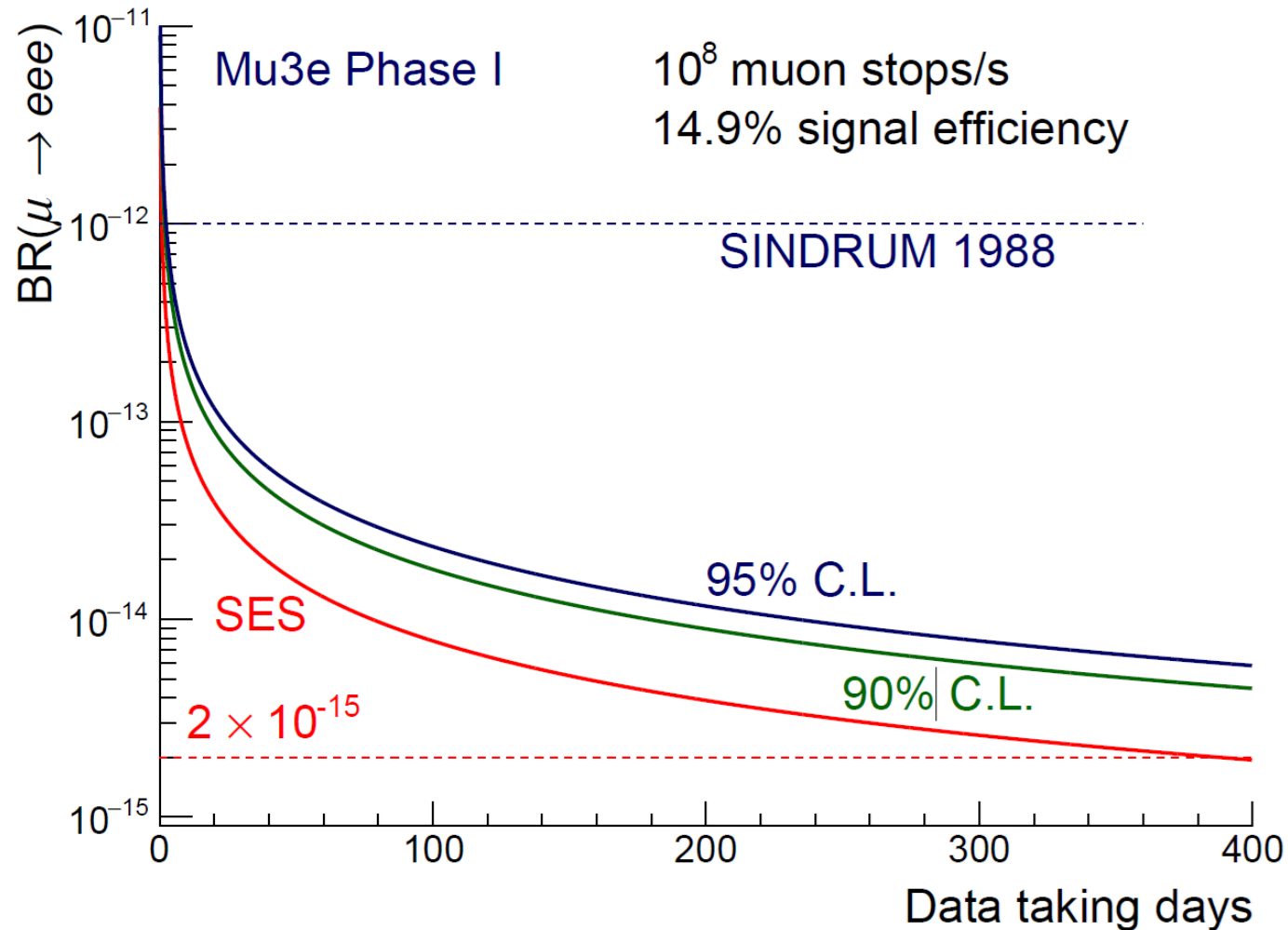
Detector Simulation and Performance

- Geant4 based detector simulation
- Track reconstruction relying on MS-fit (triplet fit [arXiv:1606.04990](https://arxiv.org/abs/1606.04990))





Expected Sensitivity Mu3e Phase I



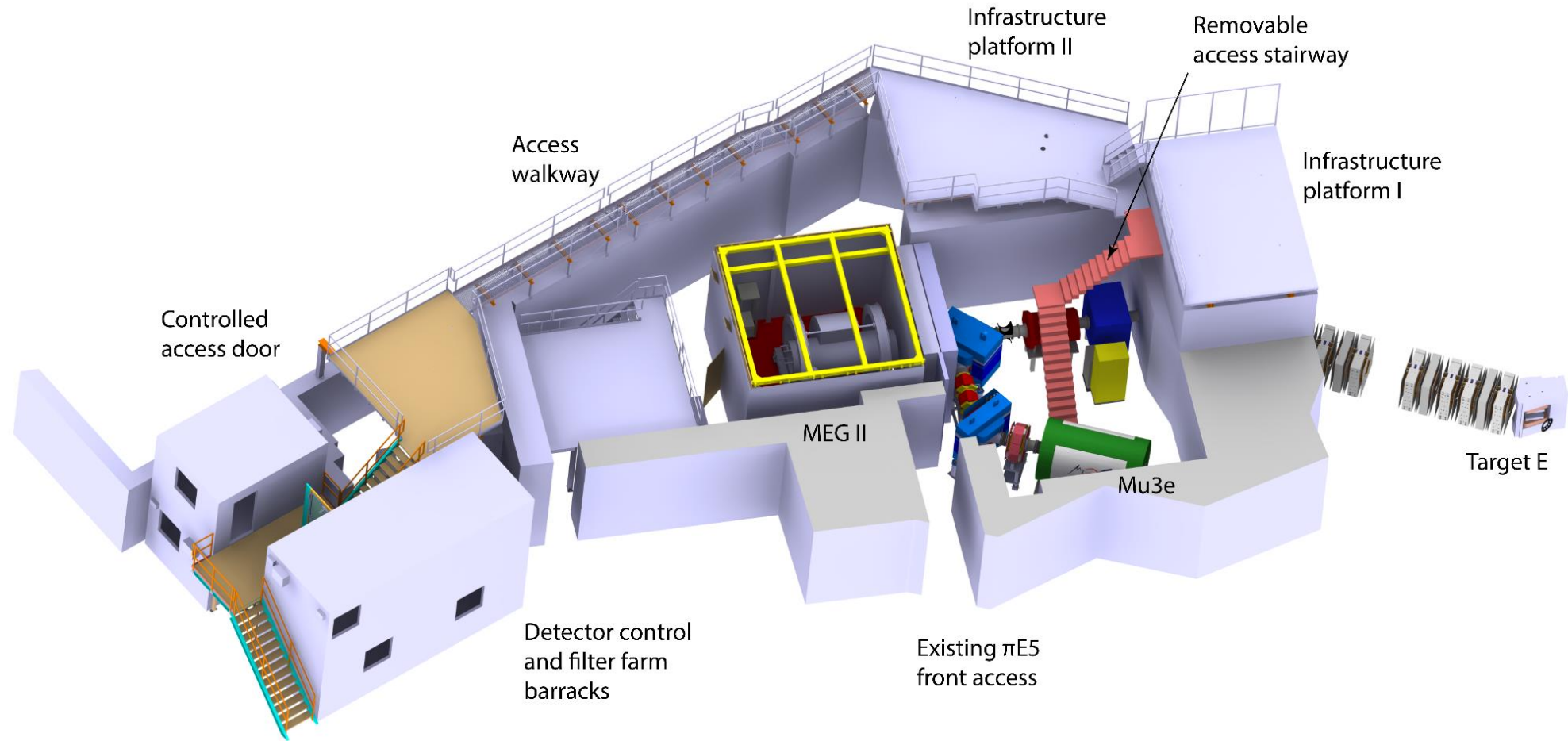


Experimental Infrastructure

EXPERIMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE



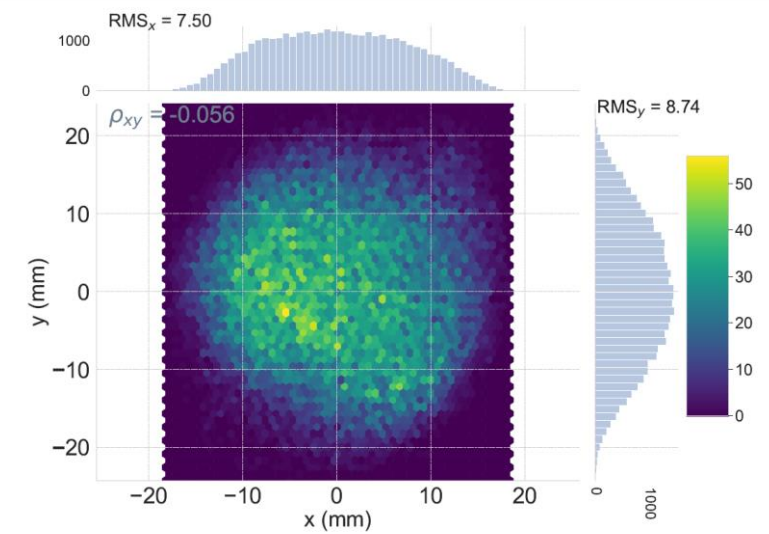
Experimental Area @ PSI





Muon Beam @ PSI

- **Most intense DC muon beam** available at Paul-Scherrer-Institut
- Phase I: $\mathcal{O}(10^8 \text{ s}^{-1})$
 - **Compact Muon Beamline**
 - Single event sensitivity goal: 2×10^{-15}
- Phase II: $\mathcal{O}(10^9 \text{ s}^{-1})$
 - High Intensity Muon Beamline
 - Under investigation
 - Sensitivity goal: $\mathcal{O}(10^{-16})$



Expected beam spot profile at the Mu3e target position

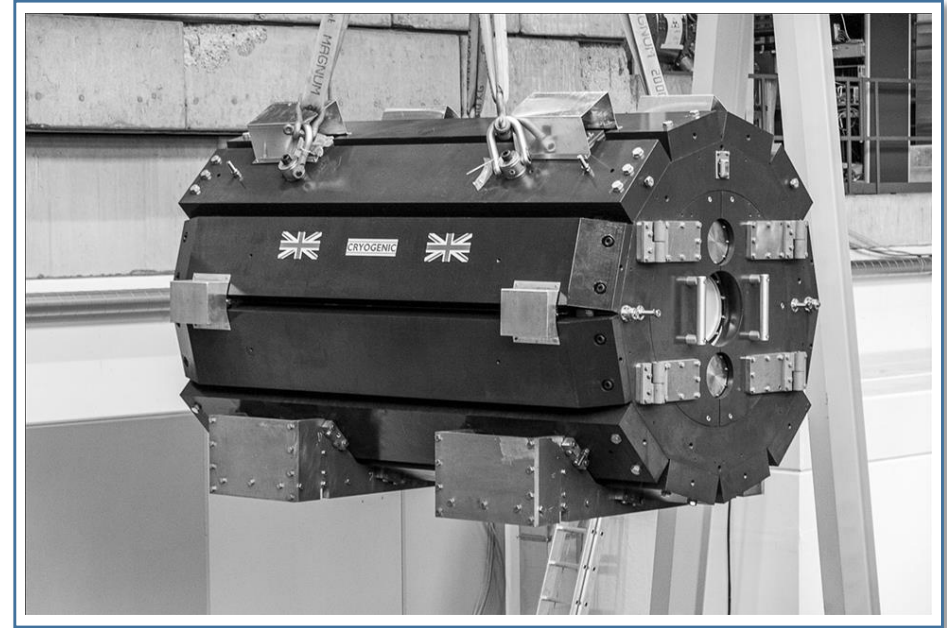


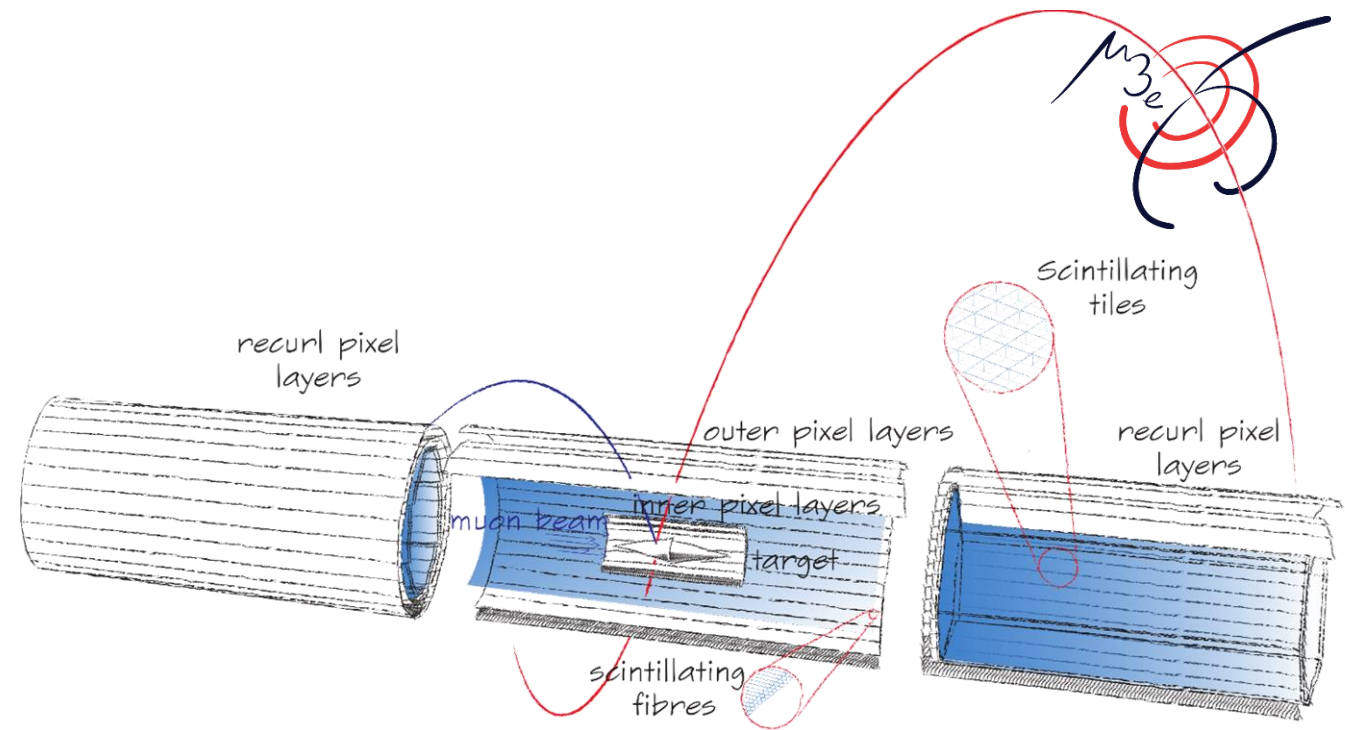
The Mu3e Solenoid

- Produced by Cryogenic Ltd. and delivered to PSI in July 2020
- Nominal magnetic field for experiment 1.0 Tesla (range 0.5 – 2.0 Tesla)
- Very homogeneous magnetic field

$$\frac{\Delta B}{B} < 10^{-3}$$

- November 2020:
successfully ramped up at PSI to 1 Tesla



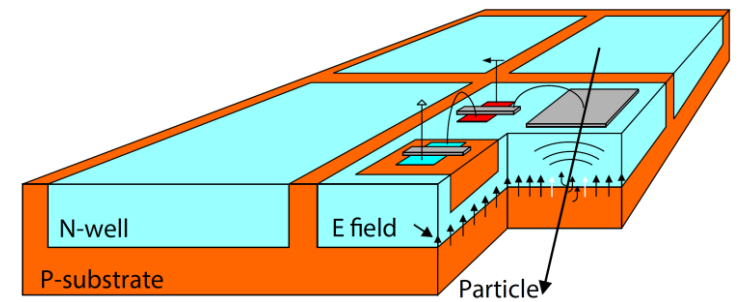


The Pixel Tracking Detector



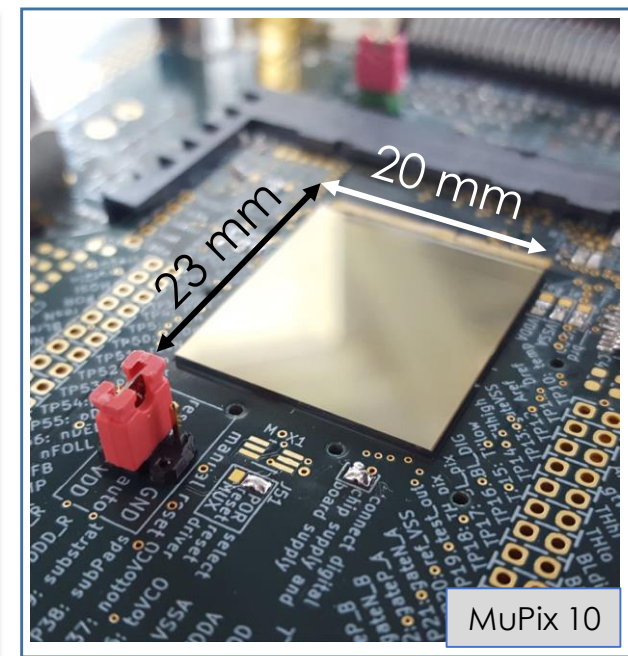
The Mu3e Pixel Sensors – **MuPix**

- High-Voltage Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors
- Produced in 180 nm **HV-CMOS** technology
- **Fast** charge collection via drift
- **Fully integrated** digital readout
- Can be **thinned** to $50 \mu\text{m} \sim 0.5 \text{‰} X_0$



I.Perić, NIM A 582 (2007) 876

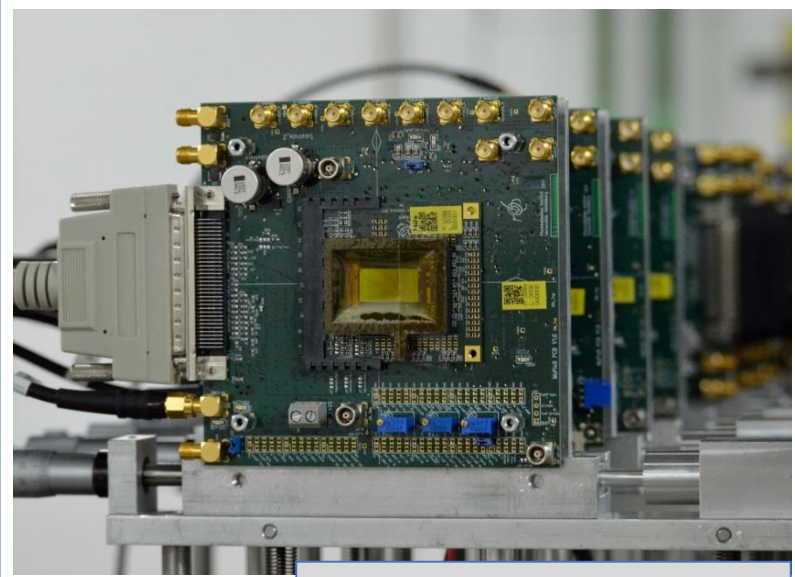
Mu3e requirements	
Efficiency	$\geq 99 \%$
Time resolution	$\leq 20 \text{ ns}$



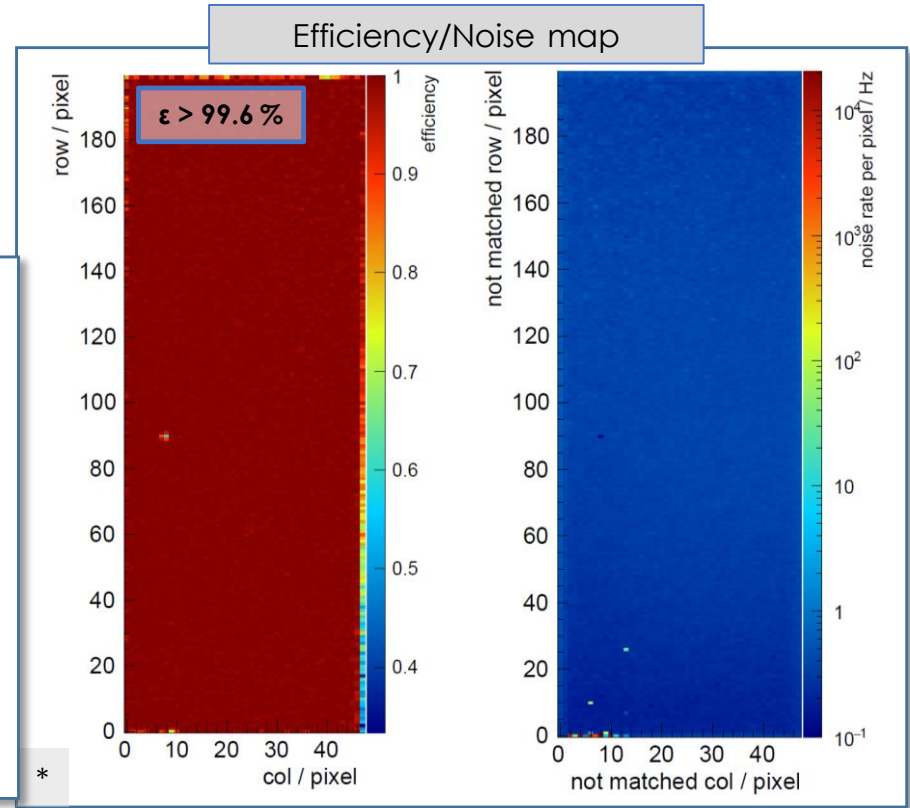
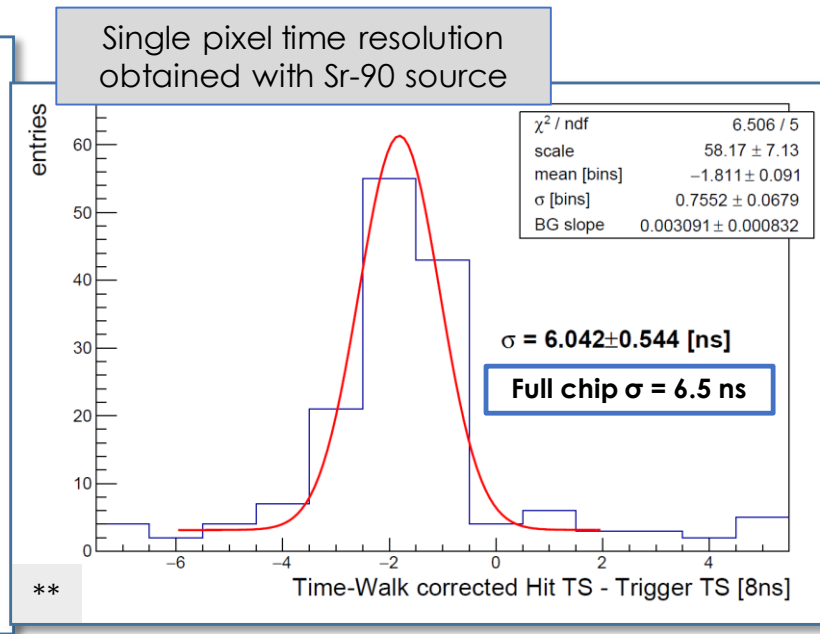


Selected **MuPix8** Results

- Extensive lab + test beam characterization: Efficiency, timing, rate capability, irradiation, ...
- Fullfills Mu3e requirements



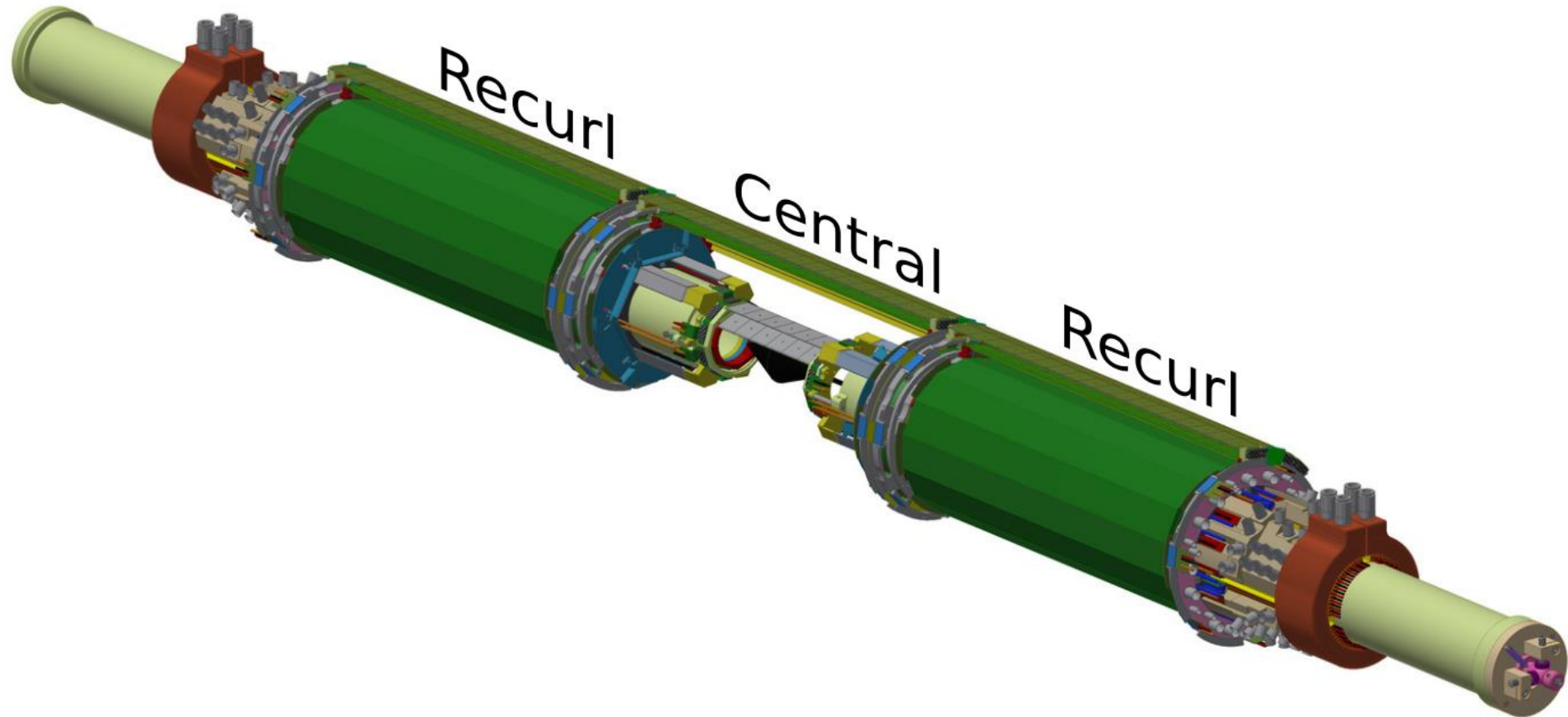
MuPix 8 beam telescope



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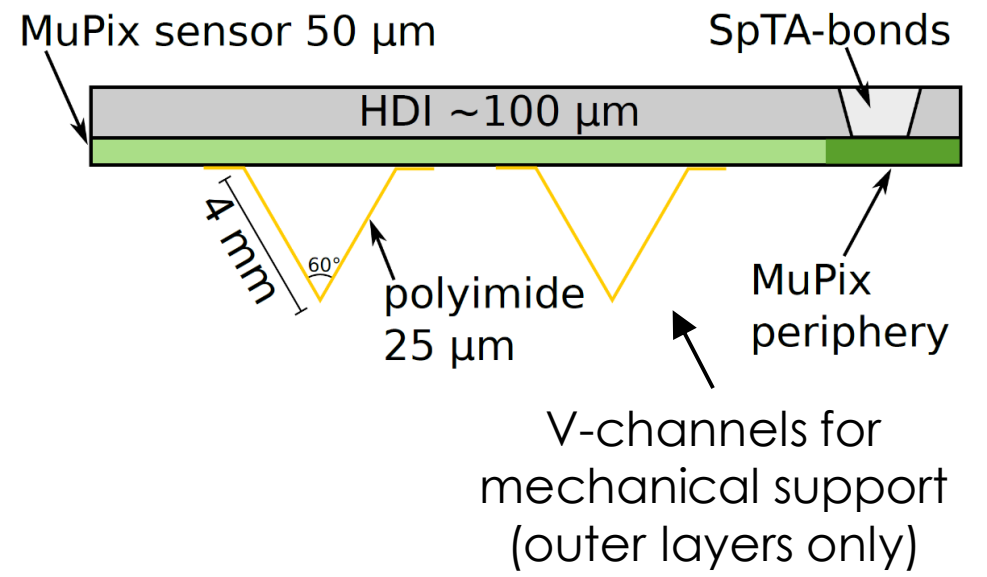
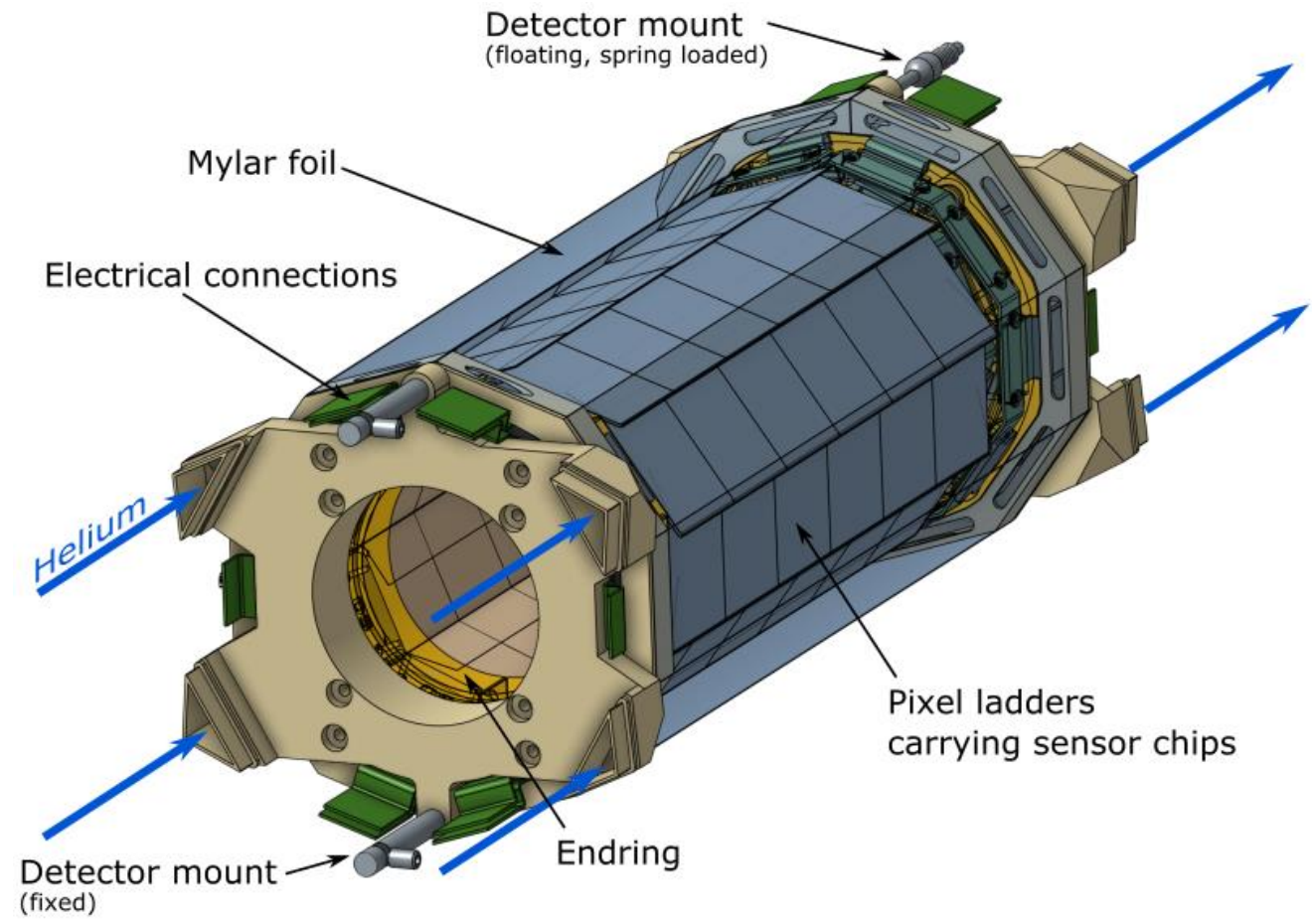


Building the Pixel Tracking Detector





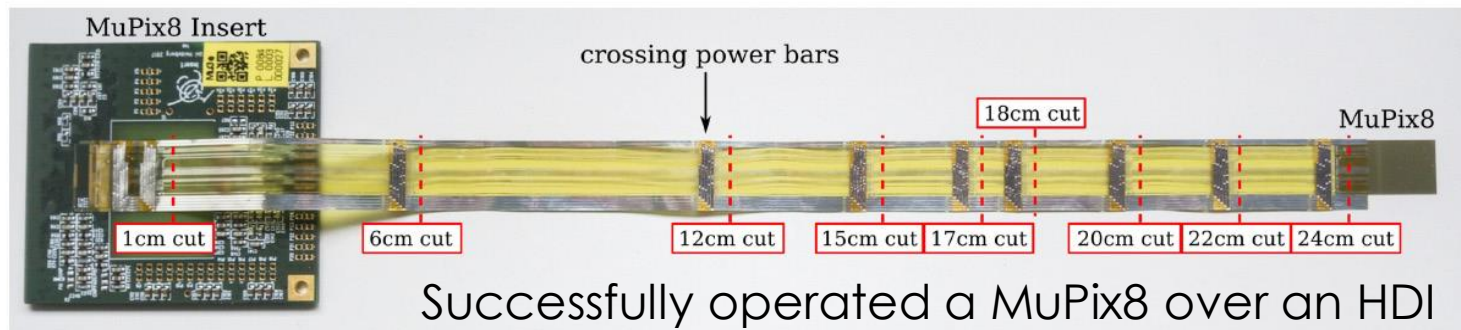
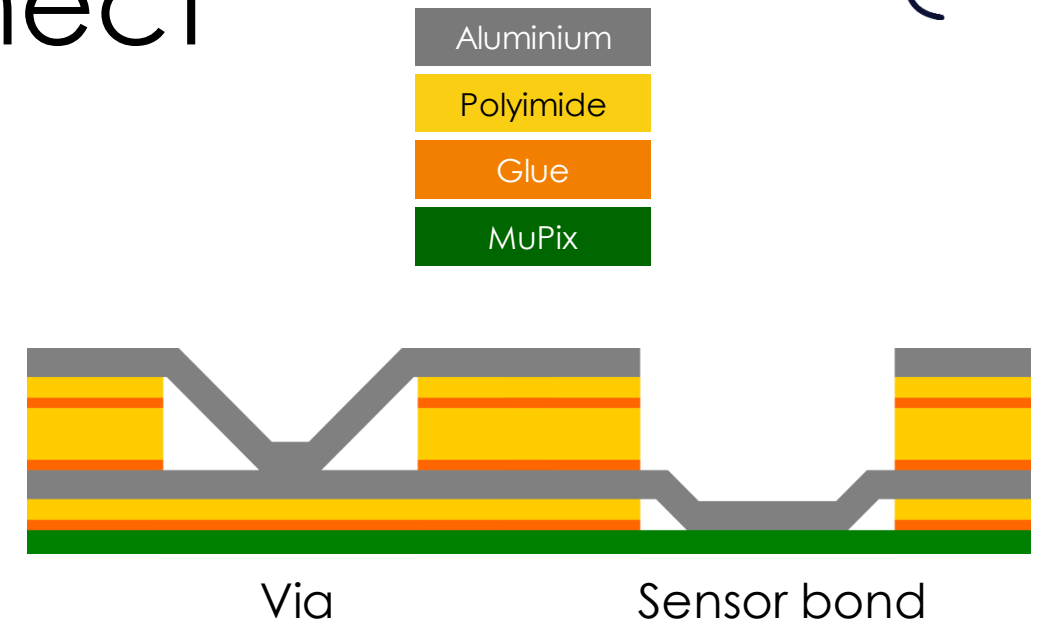
The Vertex Detector





High Density Interconnect

- Produced by LTU Ltd.
- **Thin foils:** 14 μm **Aluminium** per layer
- Dielectric spacing: polyimide foils
- **SpTAB** technology: Single point Tape Automated Bonding



Material budget

45 μm Polyimide
+ 28 μm Aluminium
+ 10 μm Glue

$\sim 0.5\text{‰ } X_0$



Material Budget of Selected Pixel Detectors

Experiment	Material budget per layer
ATLAS IBL [‡]	1.9 % X_0
CMS (current) [†]	~ 2.0 % X_0
CMS (upgrade) [†]	~ 1.1 % X_0
ALICE (current) [*]	1.1 % X_0
ALICE (upgrade) [*]	0.3 % X_0
STAR [◊]	0.4 % X_0
BELLE II [△]	0.2 % X_0
Mu3e	0.1 % X_0

[‡] ATL-INDET-PROC-2015-001

[†] CERN-LHCC-2012-016 ; CMS-TDR-11

^{*} arXiv:1211.4494v1

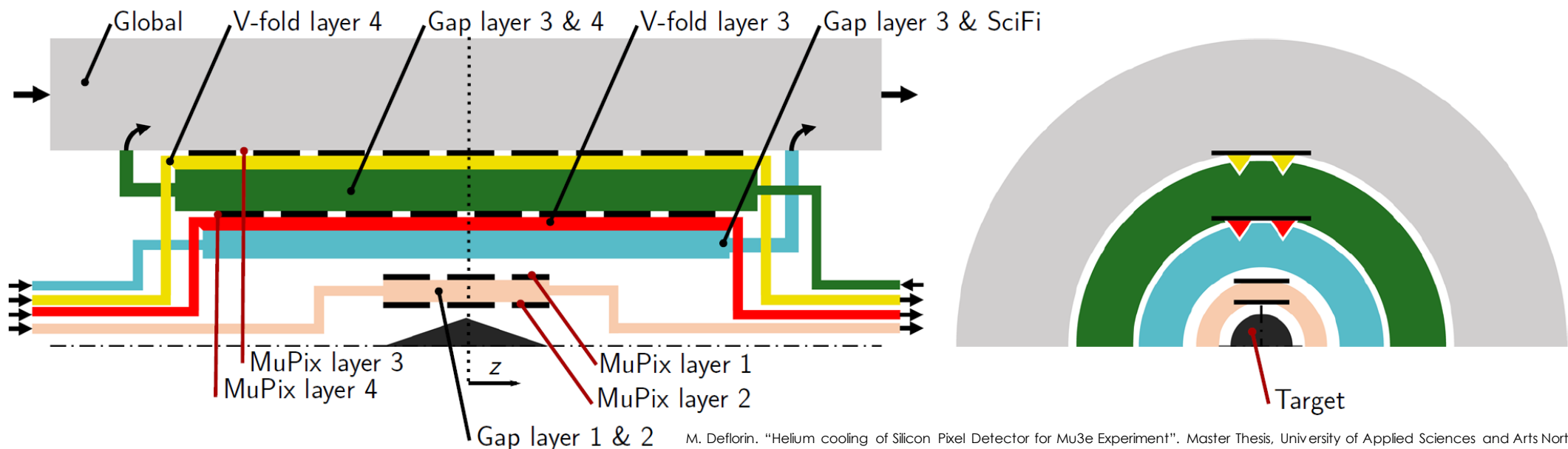
[◊] talk by G. Contin at PIXEL 2016

[△] talk by C. Koffmane at PIXEL 2016



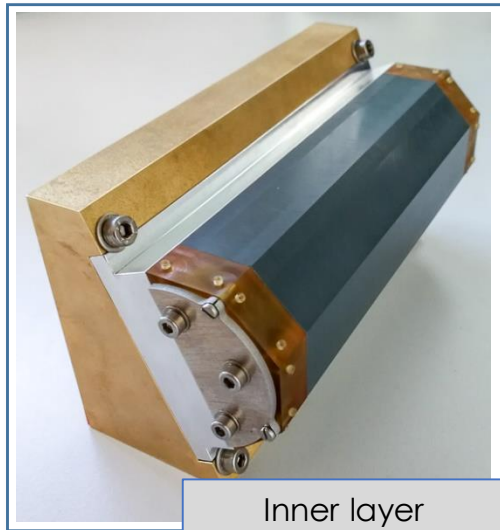
Pixel Tracker Cooling with Helium

- Cooling of sensors required (max surface power density 400 mW/cm^2)
- As little material as possible
- Gaseous **Helium**: low density, reasonable cooling capabilities



M. Deflorin, "Helium cooling of Silicon Pixel Detector for Mu3e Experiment". Master Thesis, University of Applied Sciences and Arts Northwestern Switzerland

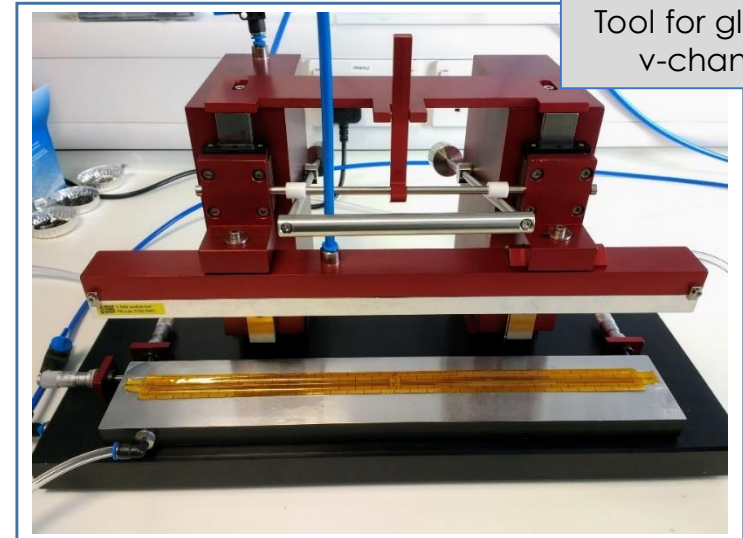
Development of Tooling



Inner layer assembly tool



Robotic gantry for placement of MuPix chips on vacuum jig



Tool for gluing of v-channels

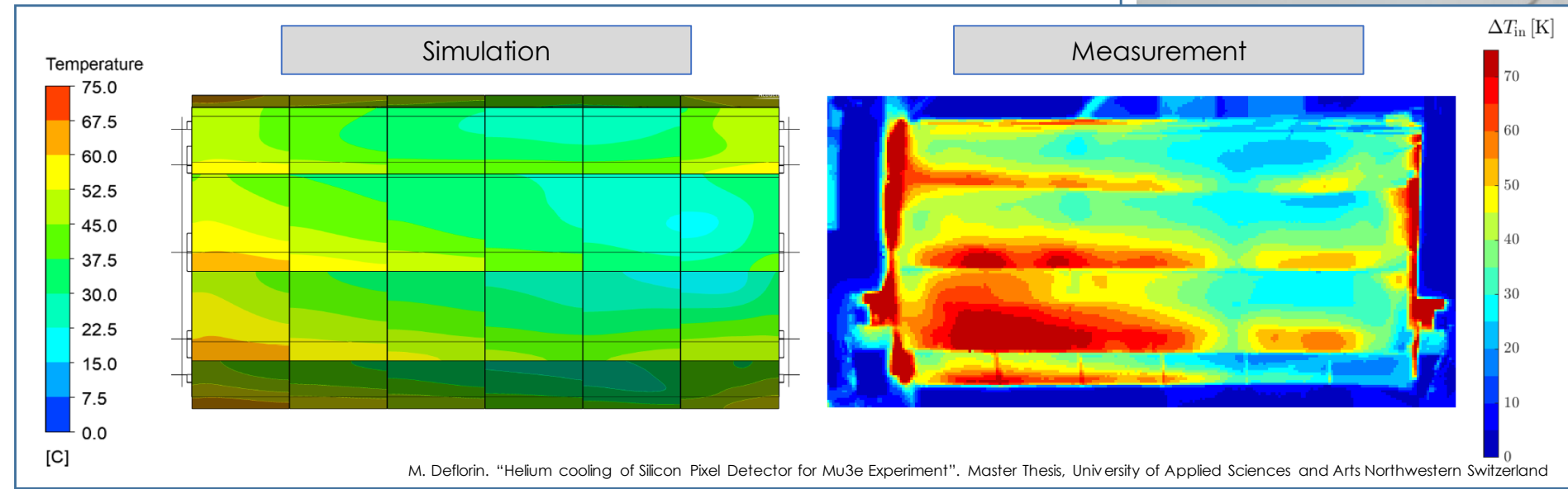
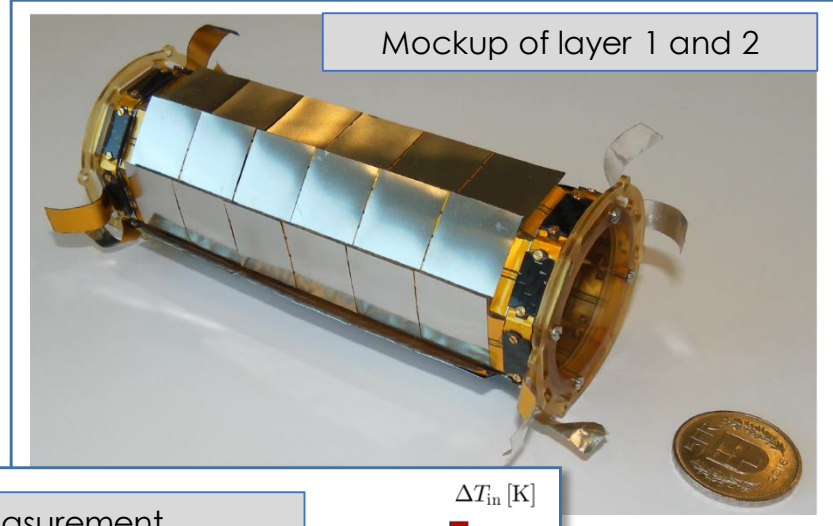


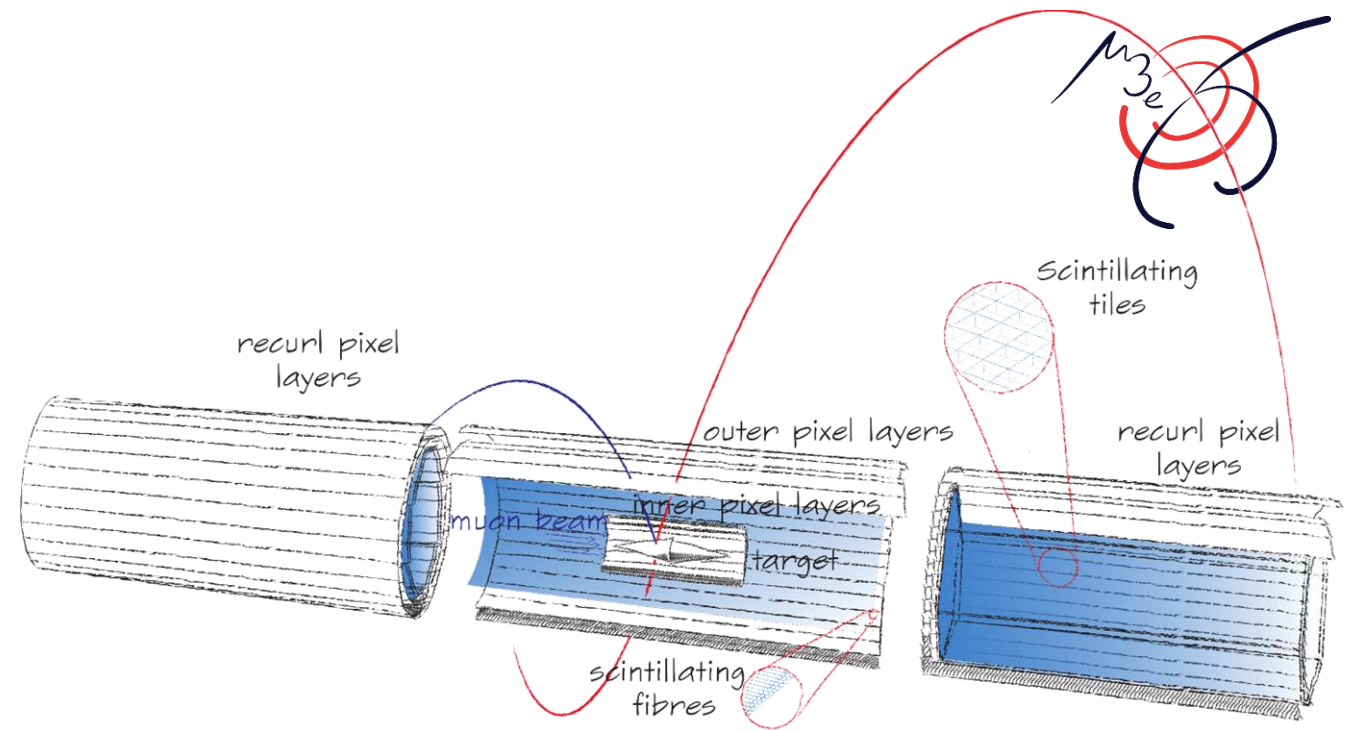
Glue dispensing robot



Thermo-Mechanical Mockup

- Validate mechanical and electrical concept
- Test and optimize the cooling system
- Compare CFD simulations with measurements



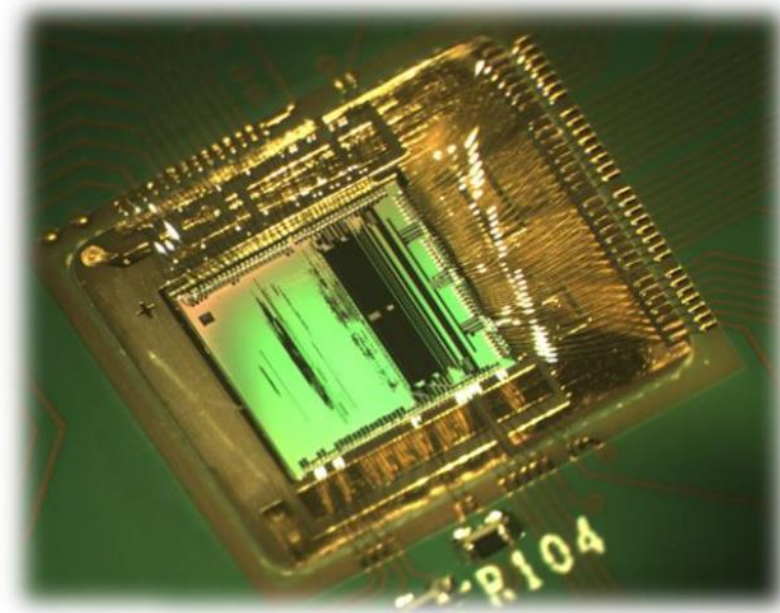


The Timing Detectors



Common Readout ASIC – **MuTRiG**

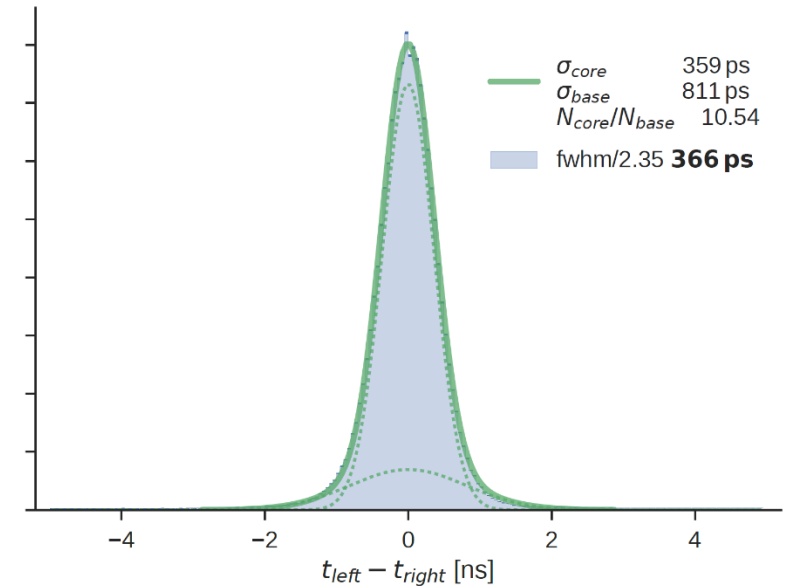
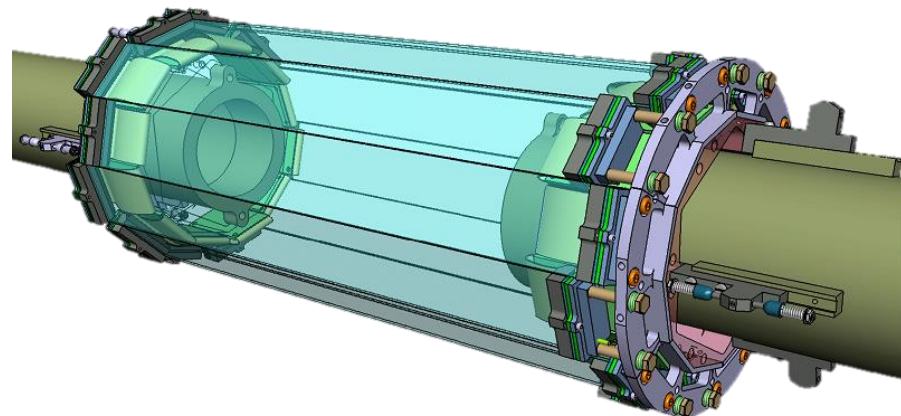
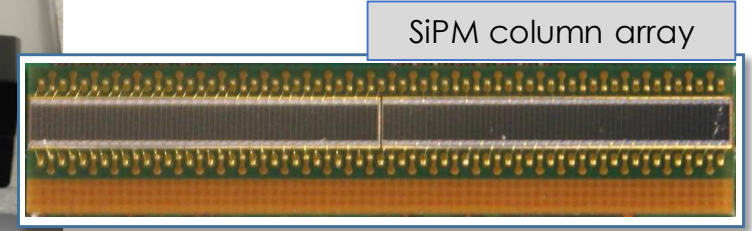
- Both timing detectors use silicon photomultipliers
- Custom designed SiPM readout ASIC: **MuTRiG**
- 32-channels
- **50 ps Time-to-digital converter**





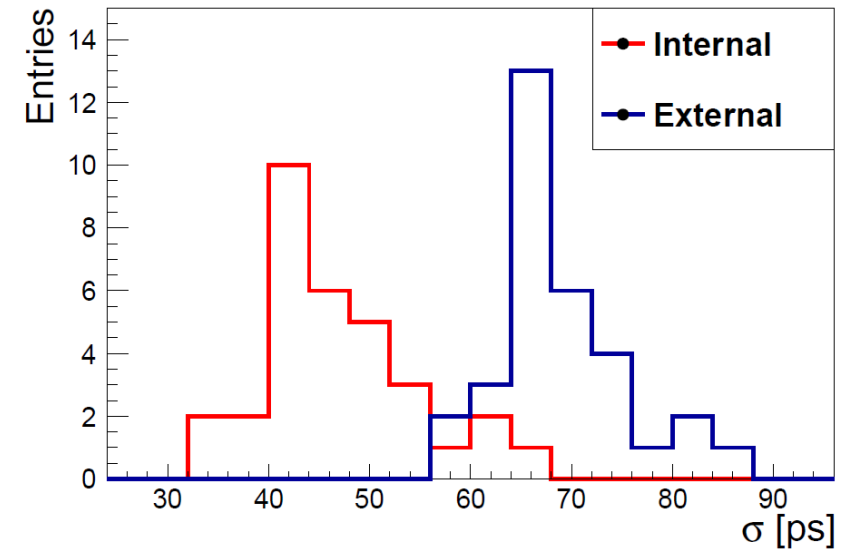
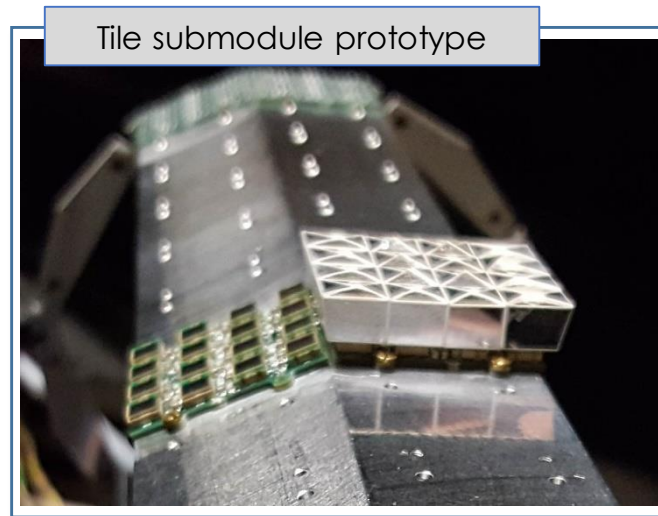
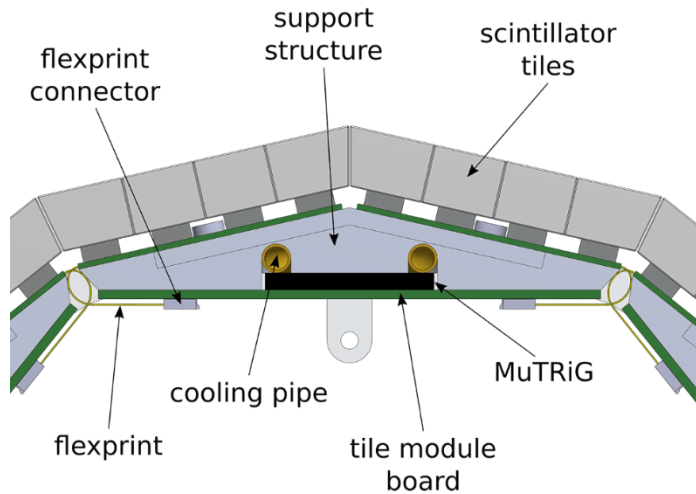
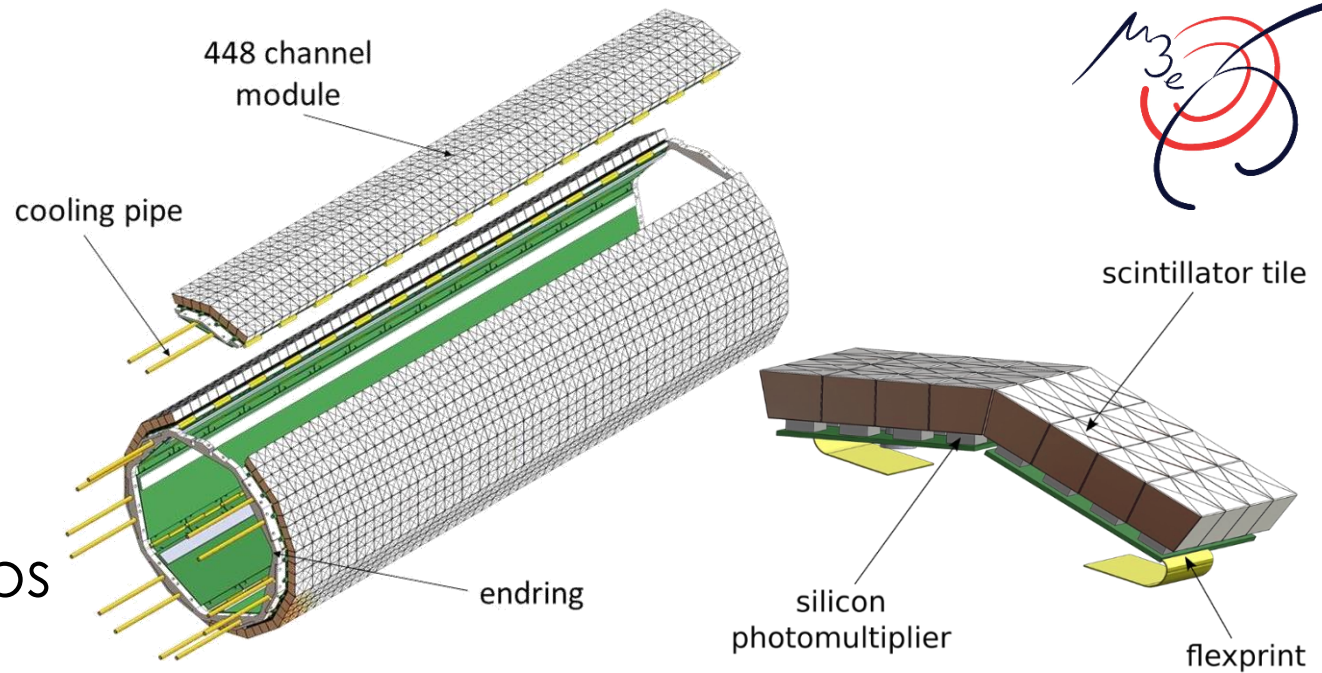
Fibre Detector

- Precise timing suppresses combinatorial background
- 12 fibre ribbons
 - 30 cm long
 - **3 staggered layers** of 250 μm thin fibres
 - Material budget $< 2\% X_0$
- 128 channel **SiPM column arrays**



Tile Detector

- Scintillating tiles $6 \times 6 \times 5 \text{ mm}^3$
- Prototype modules produced
- Required time resolution $< 100 \text{ ps}$
- Measured single channel $\sigma_t = 45 \pm 4 \text{ ps}$

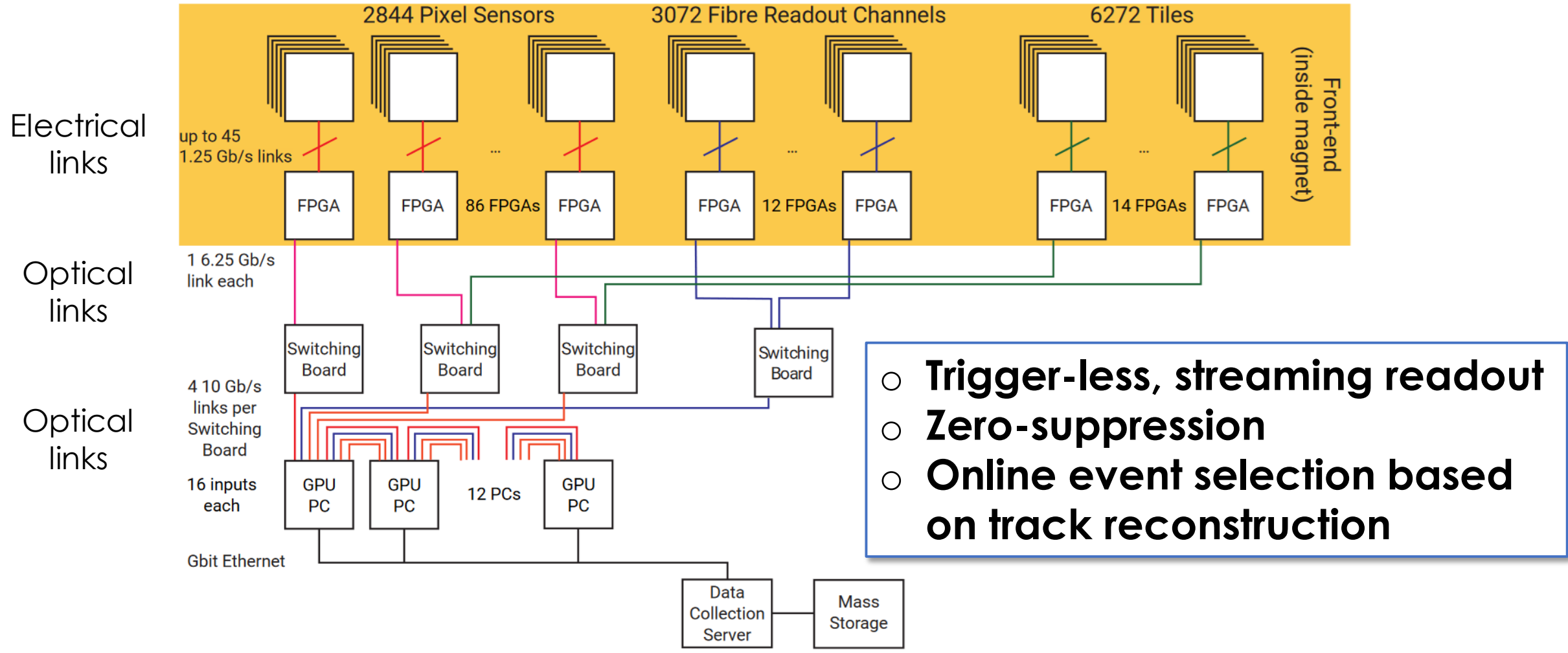




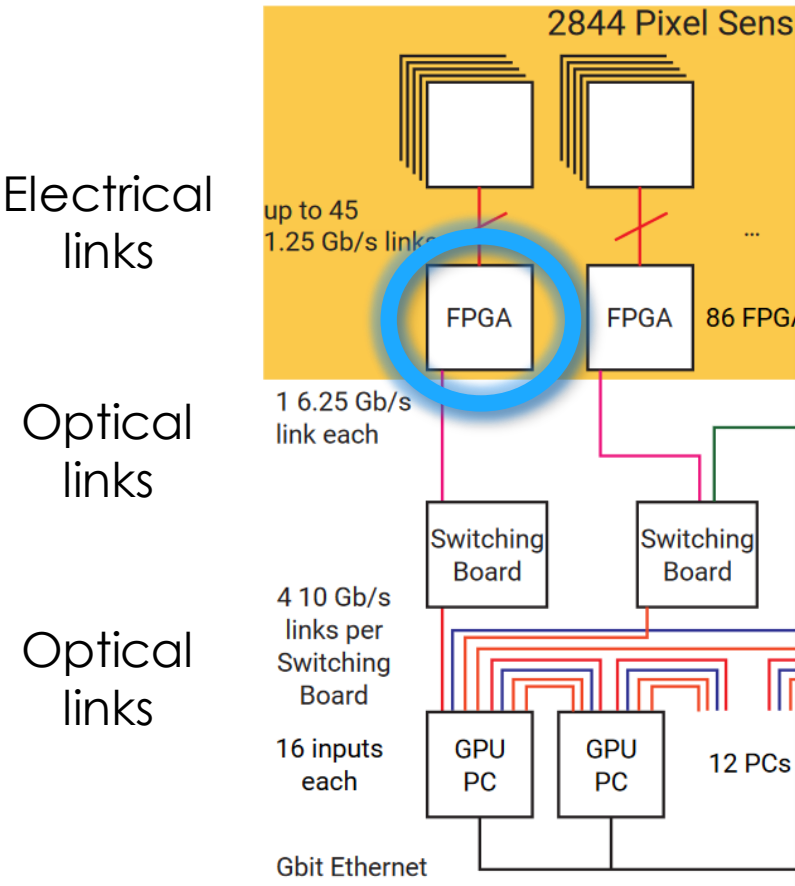
The Readout System



The Mu3e Readout Concept



The Mu3e Readout Concept



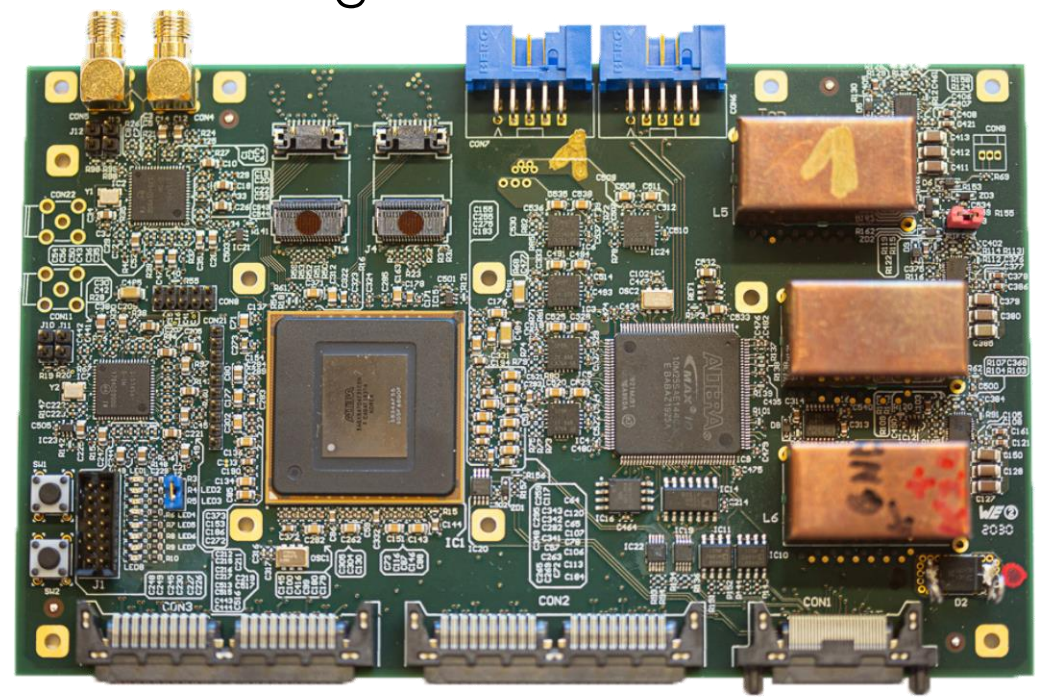
Electrical links

Optical links

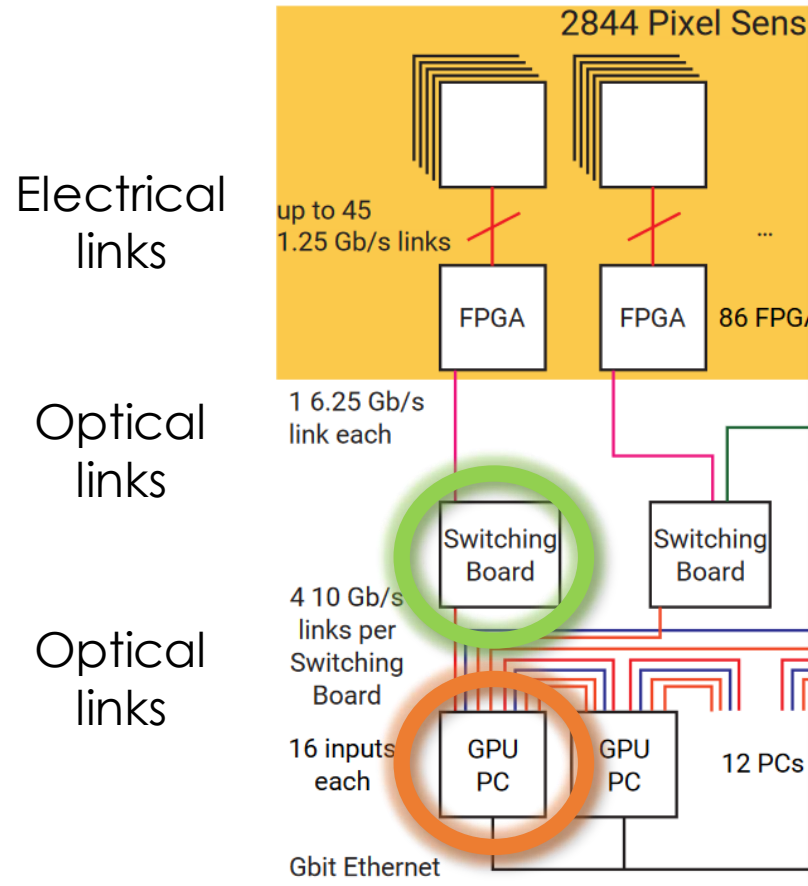
Optical links

The Front-end Board

- **Sorts** hits by timestamps
- Distributes clock and reset to ASICs
- Custom designed board



The Mu3e Readout Concept



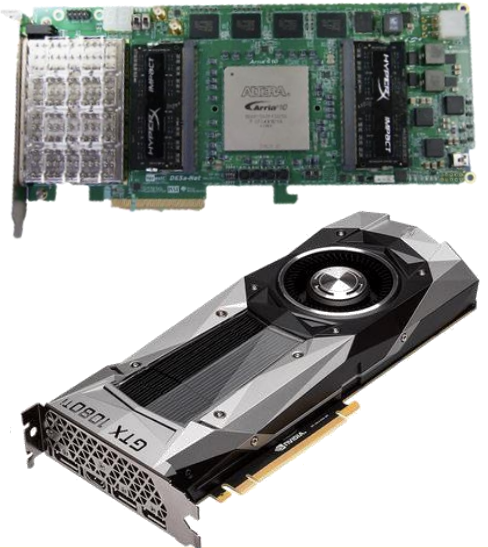
The Switching Board

- **Collects** data of several front-end boards
- **Merges** into single data stream
- PCIe40 board (LHCb)



The GPU Filter Farm

- **Online track reconstruction and event selection**
- Large Arria10 FPGA card
- High-end commercial GPU
 - Triplet fit (arXiv:1606.04990)
 - Vertex fit





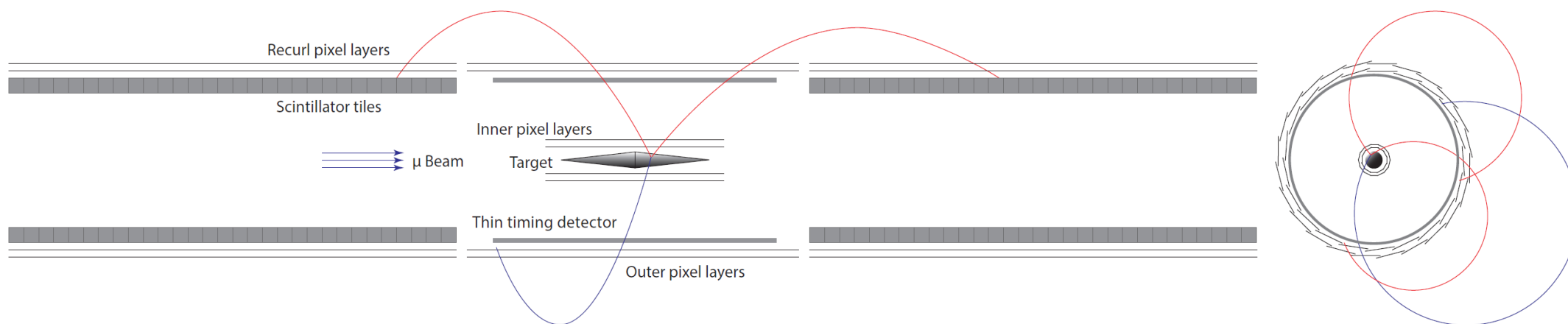
And what's beyond Phase I?

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Mu3e Phase II

- For the ultimate sensitivity goal for $BR \leq 1 \times 10^{-16}$
a muon rate of $2 \times 10^9 s^{-1}$ is required (HIMB for Phase II >2025)
- Adapt detector geometry
- Fully exploit HV-MAPS time resolution $\mathcal{O}(1 \text{ ns})$
- Investigate reduction of material by applying wafer-scale technologies



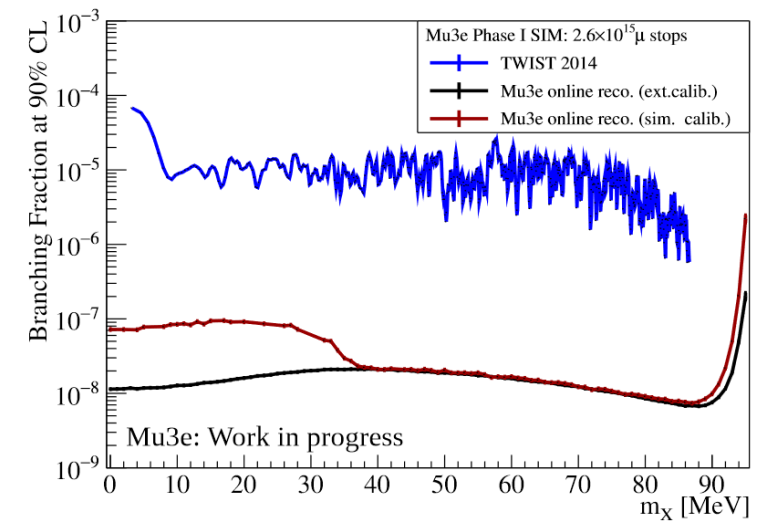
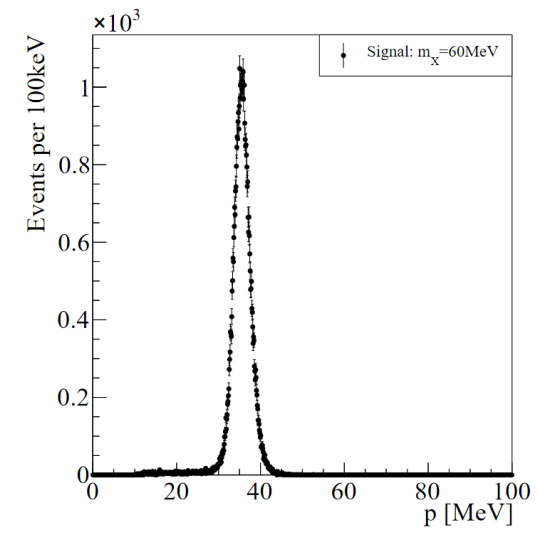
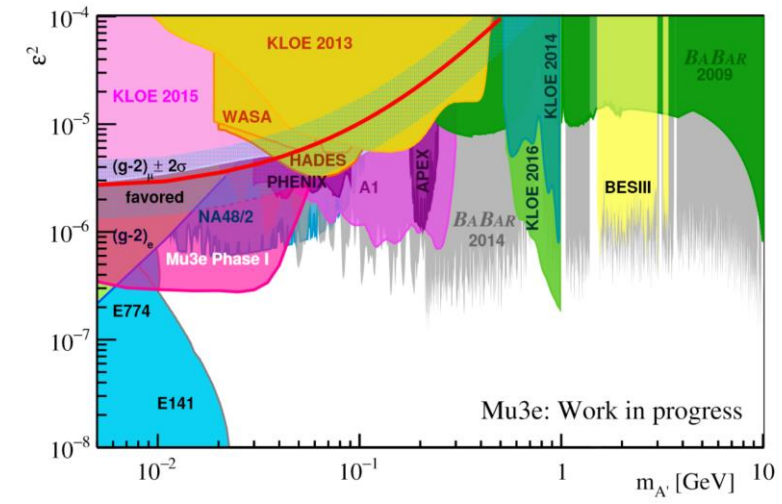
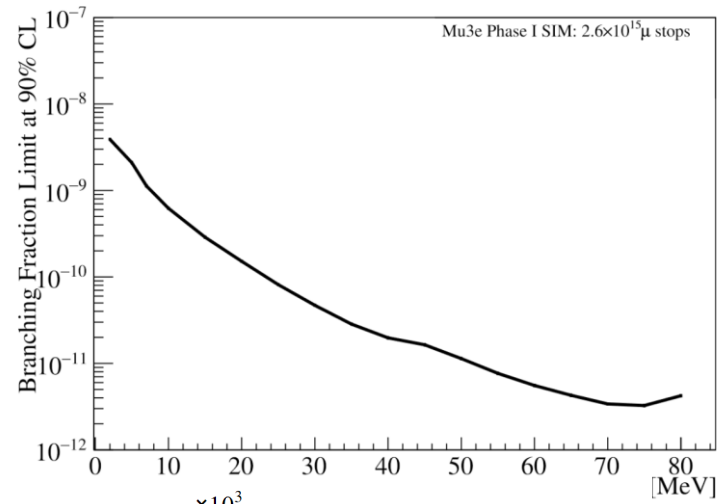


arXiv:1812.00741

Potential other Physics Searches

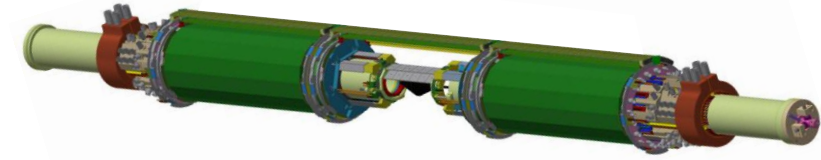
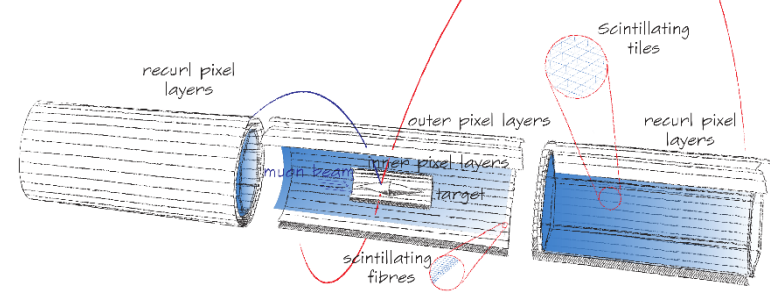
- Resonance searches in $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ A'(e^- e^+) \nu \bar{\nu}$
 - Light dark photons
 - Kinetic mixing
 - Not background free

- LFV two-body decays
 - $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ X$
 - Monoenergetic e^+

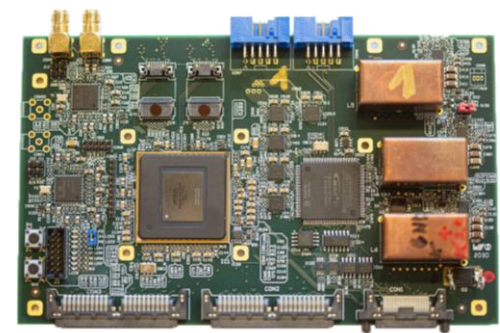
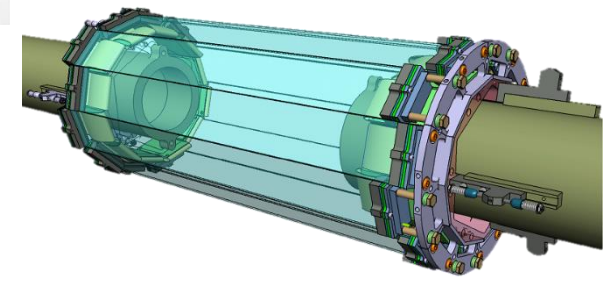
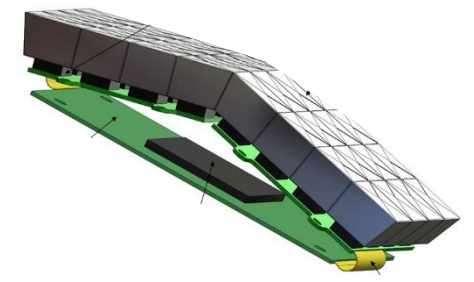
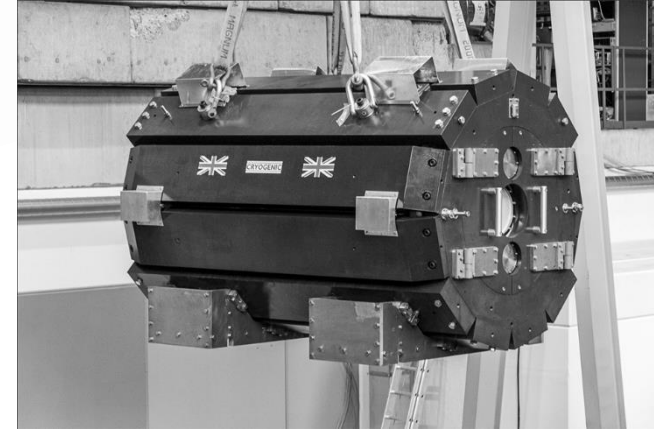




Summary and Outlook



- Observation of cLFV would be a clear sign for New Physics!
- The Mu3e experiment will push the limits in the channel $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+$
- Mechanical design including services available
- TDR submitted, available on [arXiv](https://arxiv.org)
- Magnet delivered to PSI and first ramp up successful
- In preparation of a detector integration run in first half of 2021



Mu3e Collaboration



About 60 members from 12 institutes



University of Geneva
Paul Scherrer Institute
ETH Zürich
University Zürich



Bristol
Liverpool
Oxford
UC London



University Heidelberg (PI + KIP)
Karlsruhe Institute of Technology
University Mainz





Backup



Tensions in Lepton Physics

Muon anomalous magnetic moment

=
 difference from spin-1/2 expectation
 due to higher order corrections

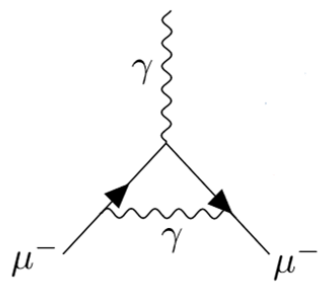
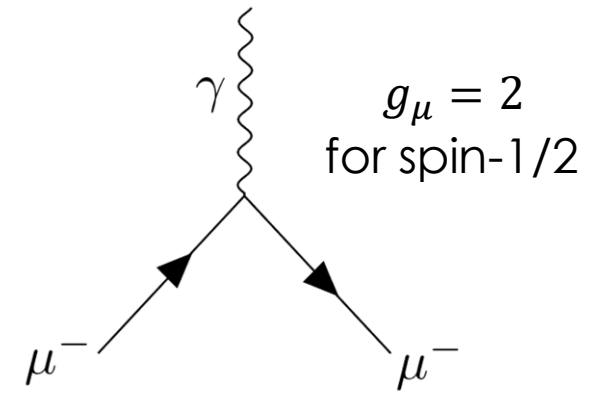
Calculated to fantastic precision

$$a_{\mu}^{SM} = (11659182.04 \pm 3.56) \times 10^{-10}$$

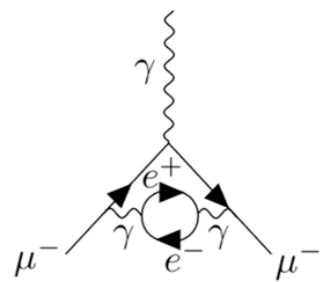
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$$\vec{\mu} = g \frac{e}{2m} \vec{s}$$

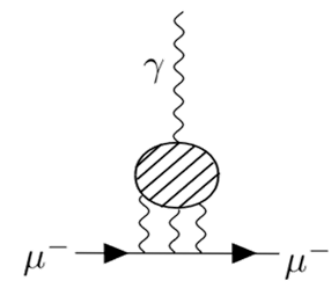
$$a_{\mu} = \frac{g_{\mu} - 2}{2}$$



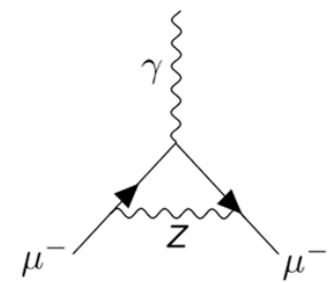
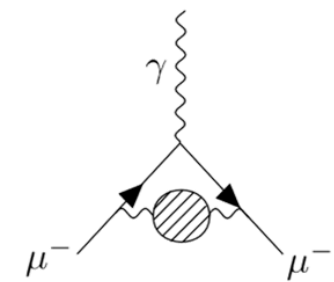
first order QED
(Schwinger)



Vacuum polarization
higher order QED

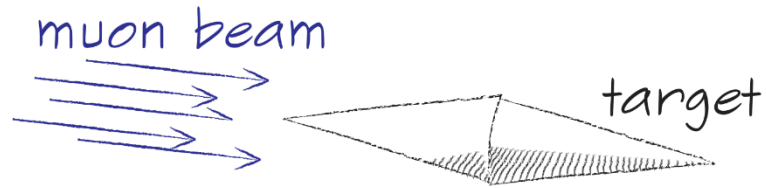


Hadronic
light-by-light scattering and
vacuum polarization



Electroweak

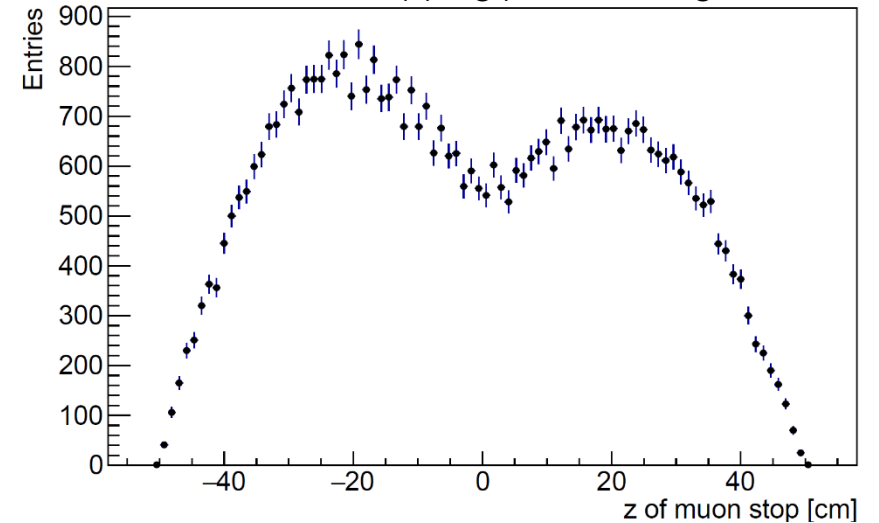
Inside 1 T magnetic field



Stopping target prototype



Simulation of stopping power of target

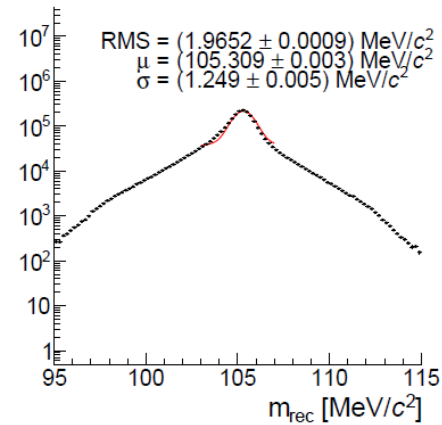


- Mylar target**
- Front 70 μm
- Back 80 μm
- Length 100 mm
- Radius 19 mm

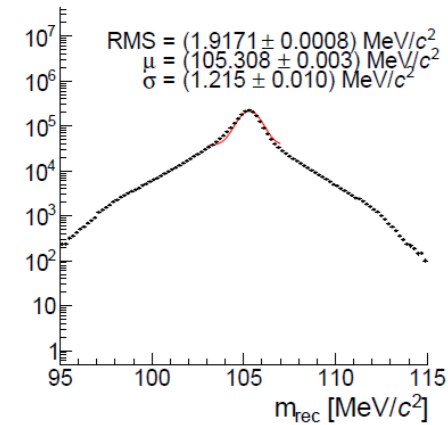


Simulation: reconstructed muon mass

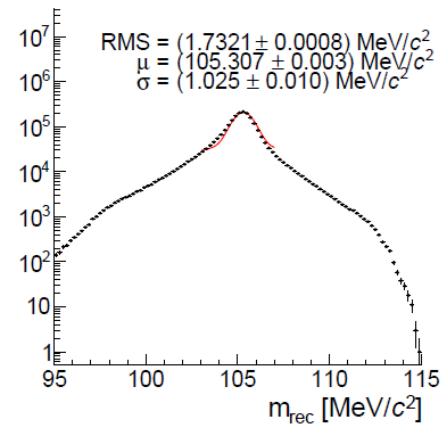
Mu3e Phase I Simulation, all tracks



Mu3e Phase I Simulation, ≥ 1 recurler



Mu3e Phase I Simulation, ≥ 2 recurlers



Mu3e Phase I Simulation, 3 recurlers

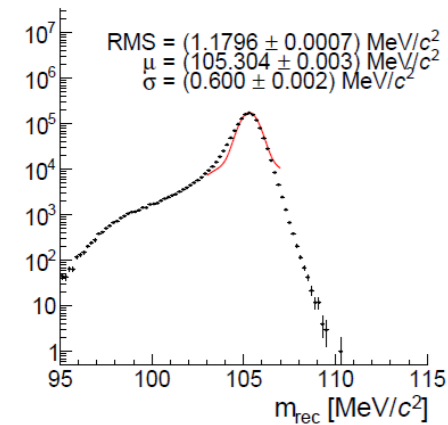


Figure 22.5: Reconstructed muon mass for all tracks (top left), at least one recurler (top right), at least two recurlers (bottom left) and three recurlers (bottom right). The fits are the sum of two Gaussian distributions and the quoted σ is the area-weighted mean; the main purpose of the fit is to guide the eye and highlight the non-symmetric resolution distribution.



Simulation: Efficiencies

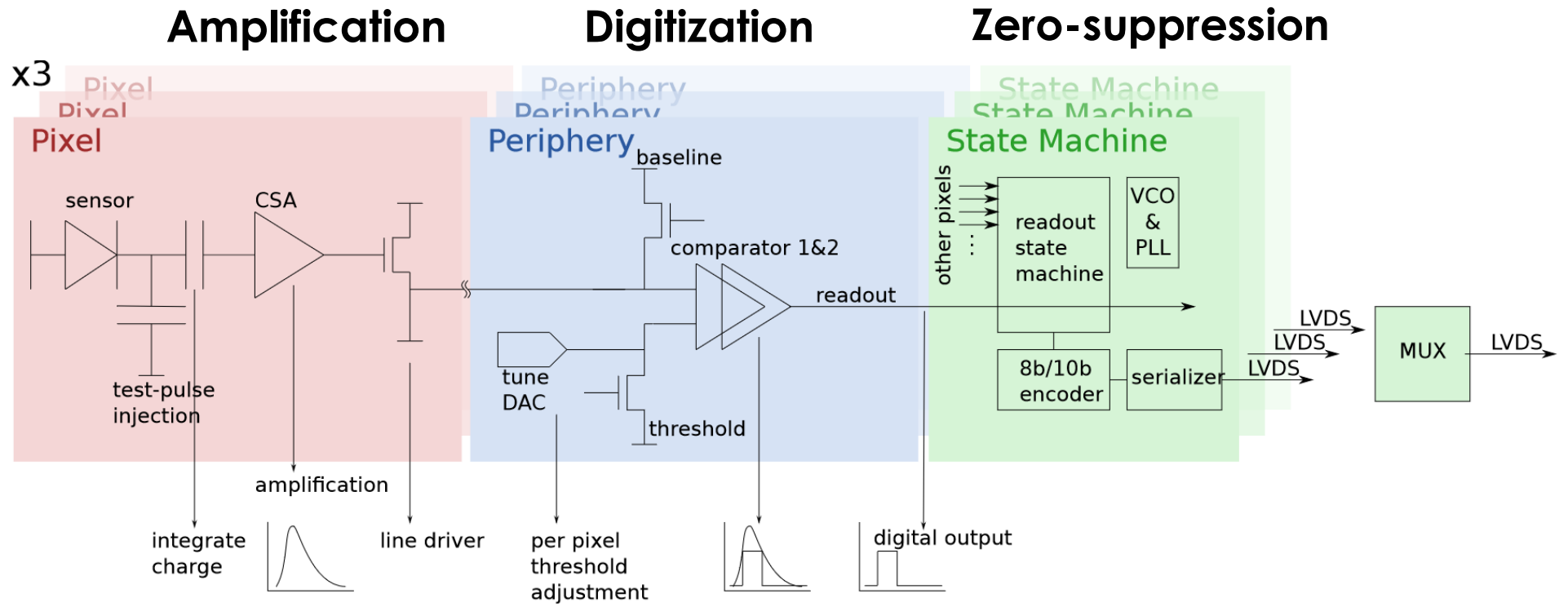
Step	Step efficiency	Total efficiency
Muon stops	100%	100%
Geometrical acceptance, short tracks	38.1%	38.1%
Geometrical acceptance, long tracks	68.0%	25.9%
Short track reconstruction	89.5%	34.1%
Long track reconstruction ¹	67.2%	17.4%
Vertex fit	99.4%	17.3%
Vertex fit $\chi^2 < 30$	97.6%	16.9%
CMS momentum $< 8 \text{ MeV}/c$	97.6%	16.5%
Timing	90.0%	14.9%

Table 22.1: Efficiency of the various reconstruction and analysis steps.

¹: Note that the efficiency of this step is quoted relative to the acceptance for long tracks.



MuPix8 Readout Architecture I





MuPix8 Readout Architecture II

- Hits are tagged with an on-chip **timestamp**
- **Position priority based** readout:
Hit chronology not strictly conserved
- **Trigger-less, continuous** readout
- **Serial** data outputs @ 1.25 Gb/s

Clock and Reset Distribution

- Phase stability requirement < 100 ps
 - Precise timing measurements
 - Synchronize all detectors
- Custom designed optical clock distribution system ready
 - Master clock generation
 - Electrical fanout to 288 optical copies
 - Connects to front-end boards

