



Searching for cLFV with the Mu3e experiment

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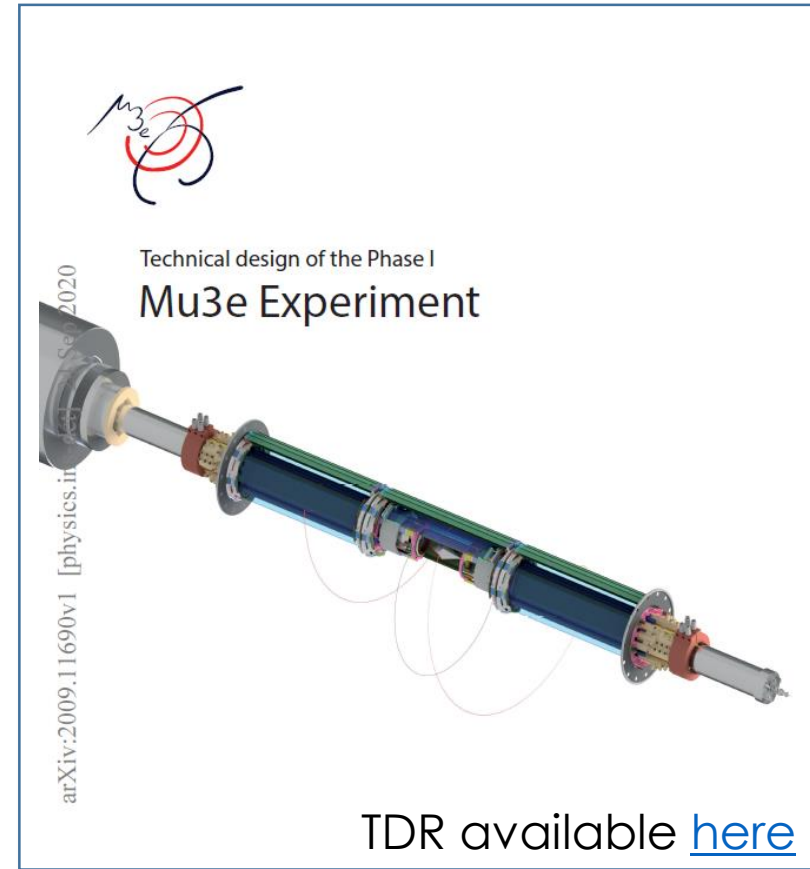


The Goal of the Mu3e Experiment

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

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

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

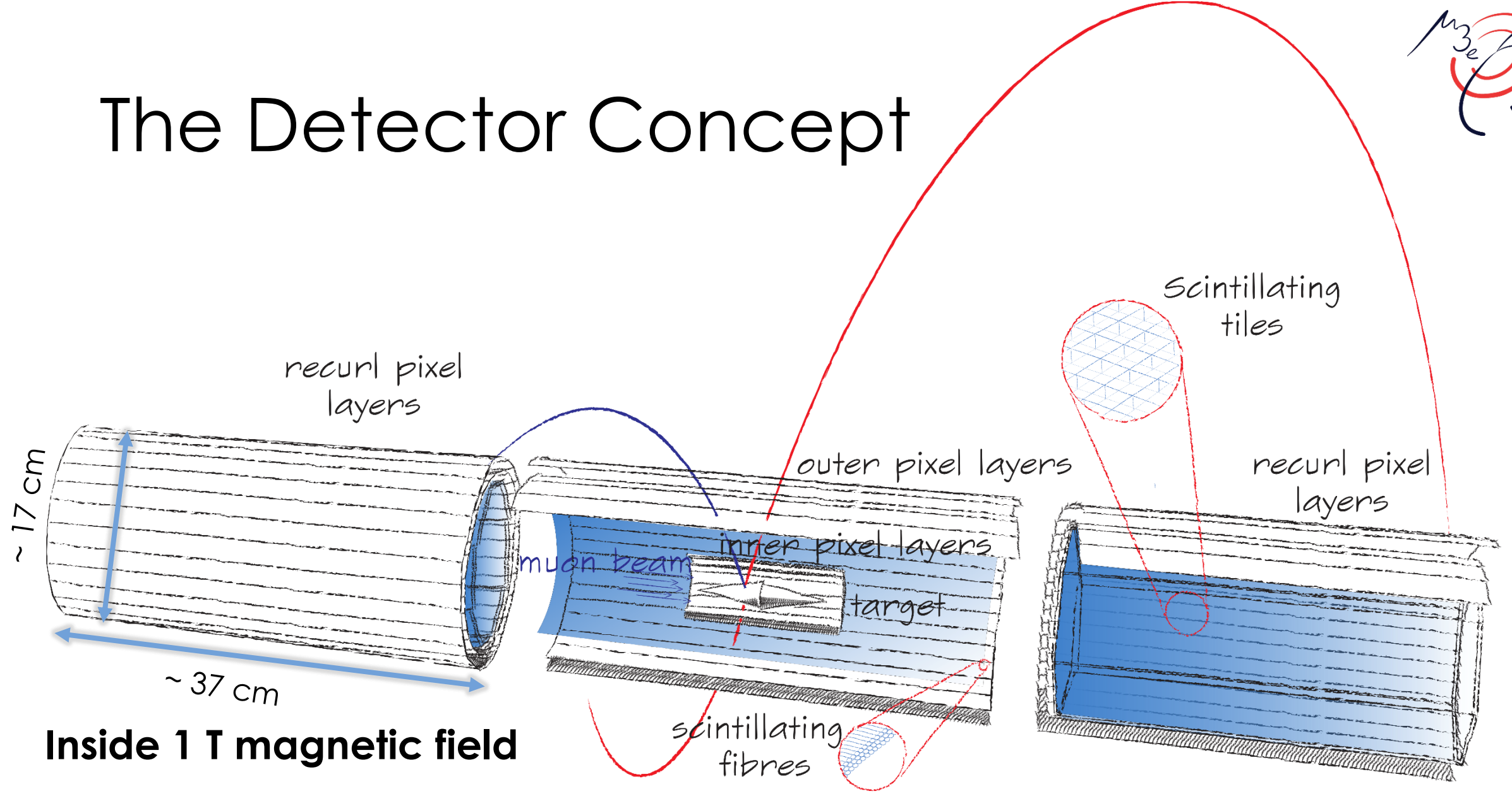




The Experimental Concept



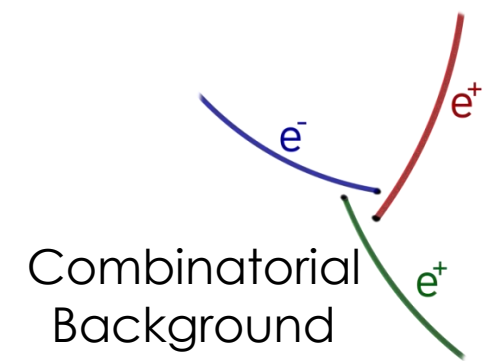
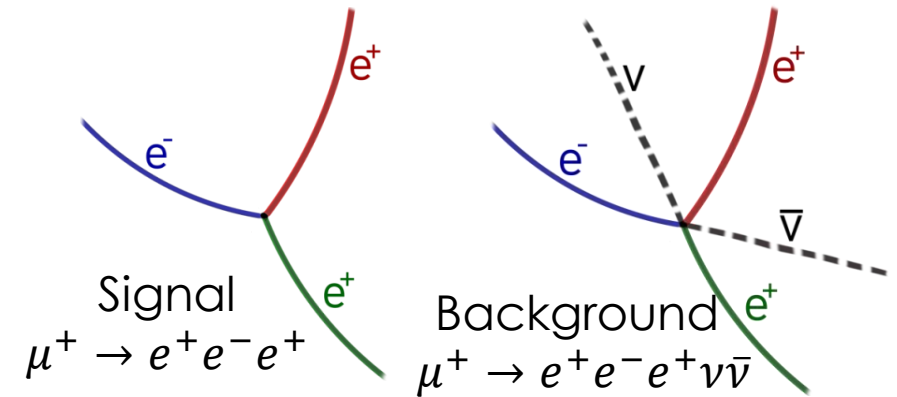
The Detector Concept





The Detector Requirements

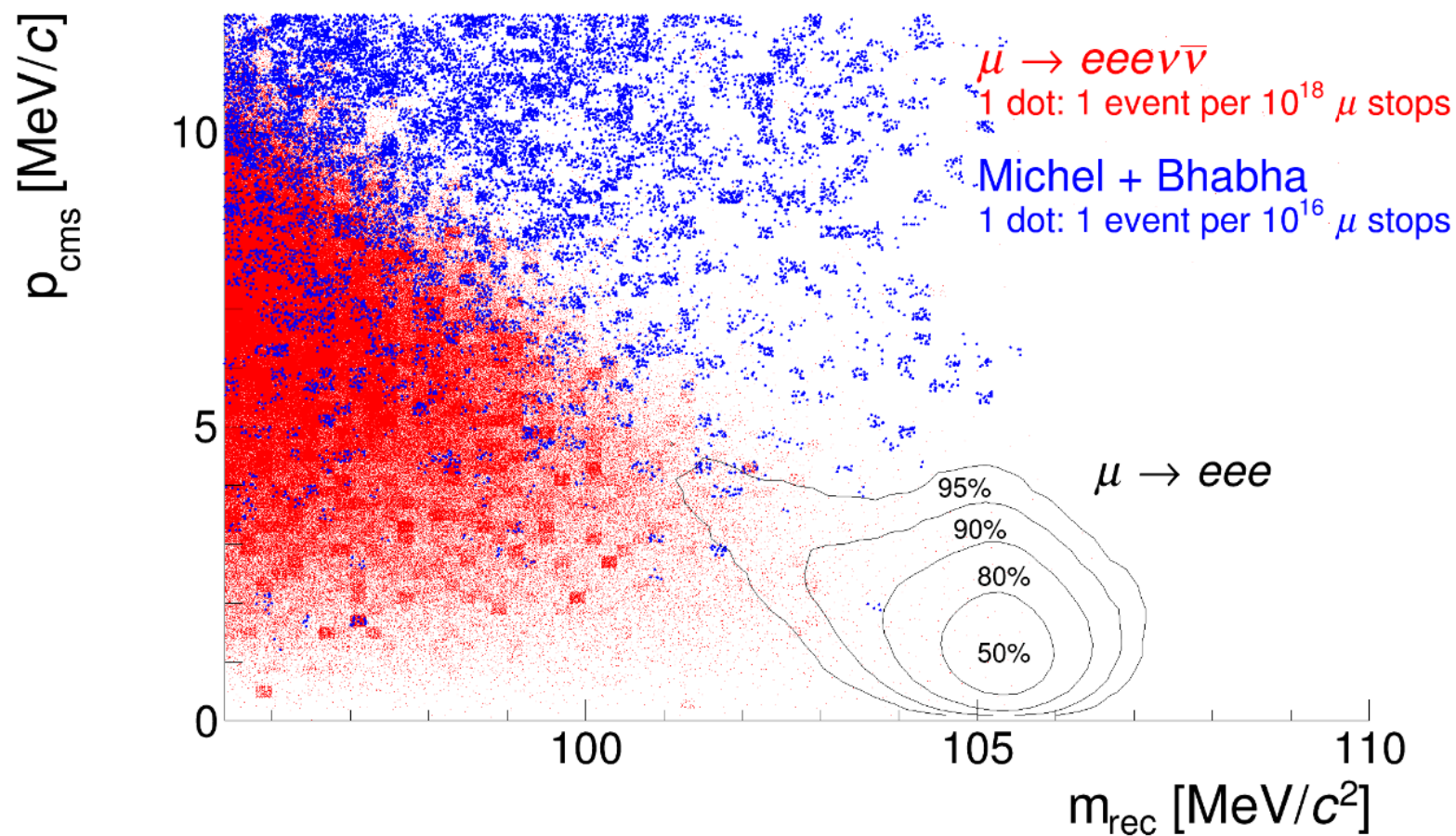
- Precise **invariant mass** measurement
 - Momentum resolution $\sigma_p < 1.0 \text{ MeV}/c$
- Stopped muons → **Low energy electrons**
 - Ultra thin pixel detector $\leq 1\% X_0$ per layer
- **High muon rates**
 - High rate capabilities and good timing
 - $\sigma_t(\text{pixels}) < 20 \text{ ns}$ $\sigma_t(\text{fibre}) < 1.0 \text{ ns}$ $\sigma_t(\text{tiles}) < 100 \text{ ps}$





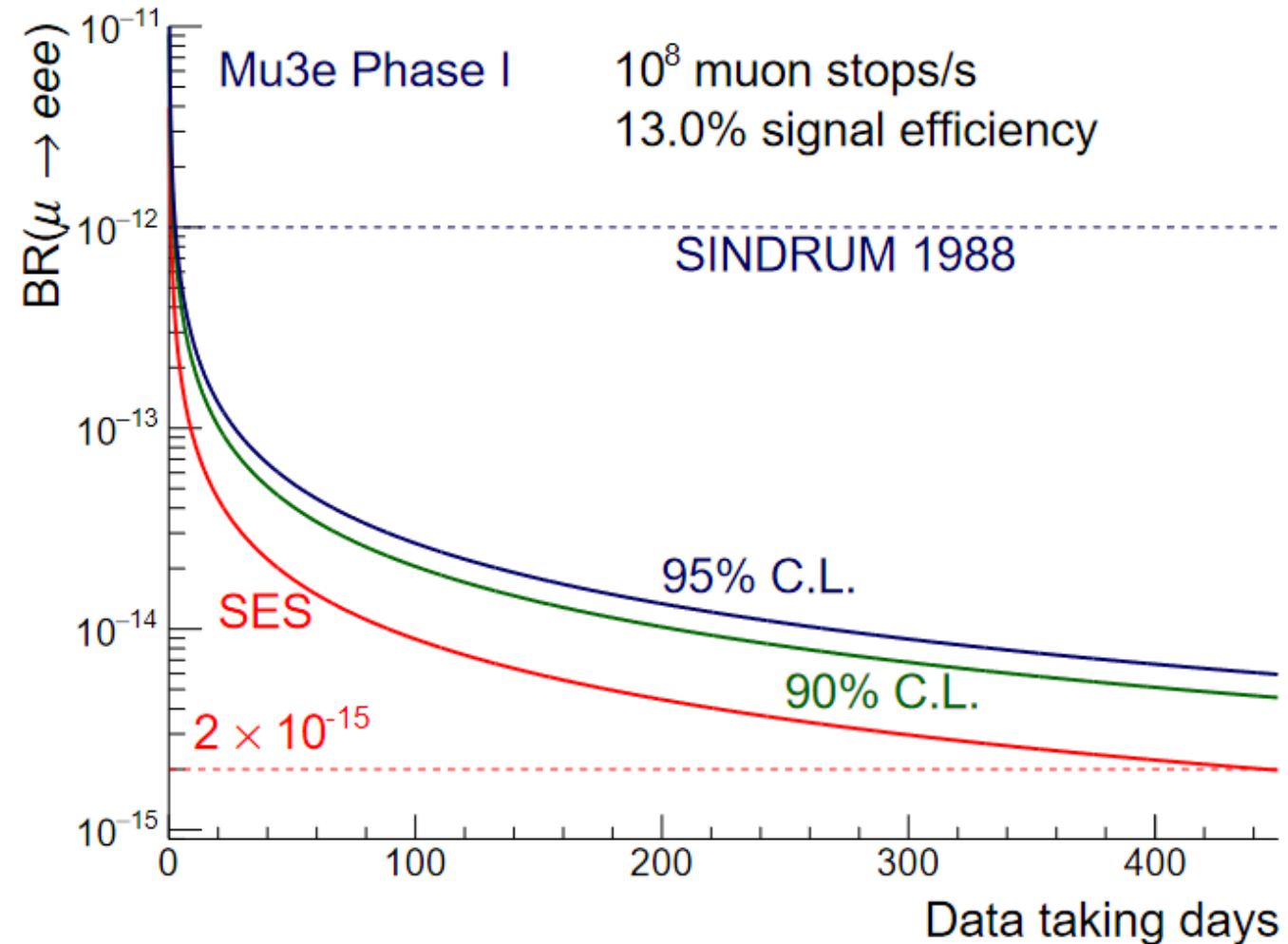
Performance Study

Mu3e Phase I Simulation





Expected Sensitivity Mu3e Phase I





Experimental Infrastructure

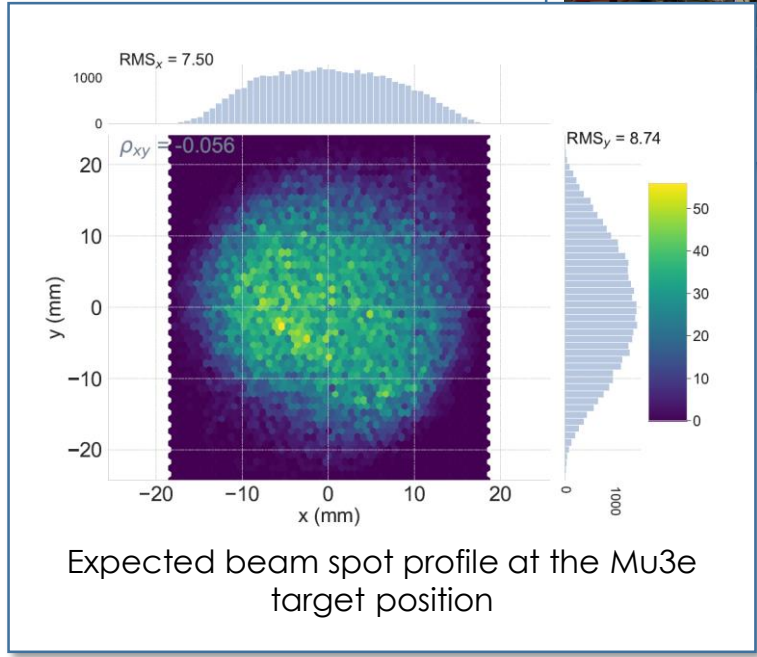


Muon Beam @ PSI

- **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: $\mathcal{O}(10^{-15})$
- Phase II: $\mathcal{O}(10^9 \text{ s}^{-1})$
 - **High Intensity Muon Beamline** (2028)
 - Sensitivity goal: $\mathcal{O}(10^{-16})$



Commissioned CMBL in place @ PSI



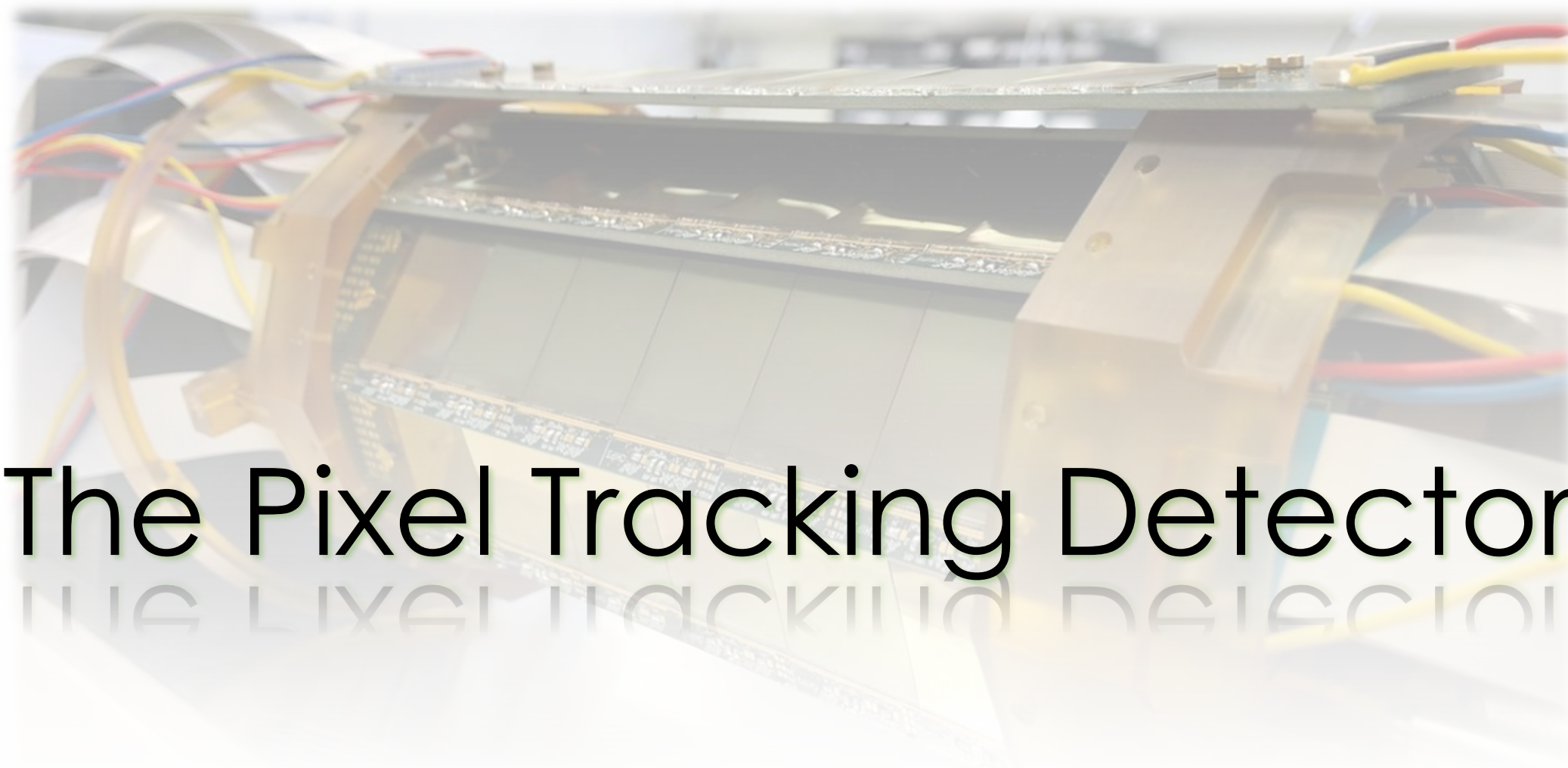


The Mu3e Solenoid

- Produced by Cryogenic Ltd. and delivered to PSI in July 2020
- Nominal magnetic field for experiment 1.0 Tesla (range 0.5 – 2.7 Tesla)
- Very homogeneous magnetic field

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



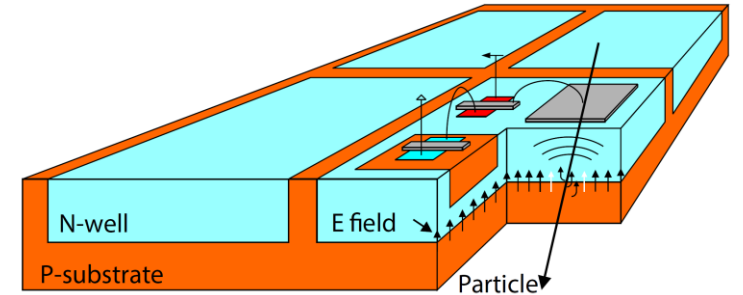


The Pixel Tracking Detector

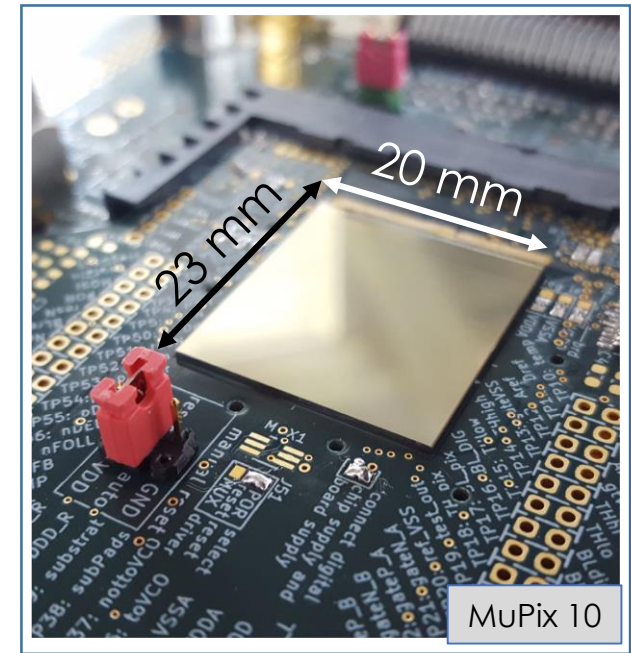


The Mu3e Pixel Sensors – **MuPix**

- 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

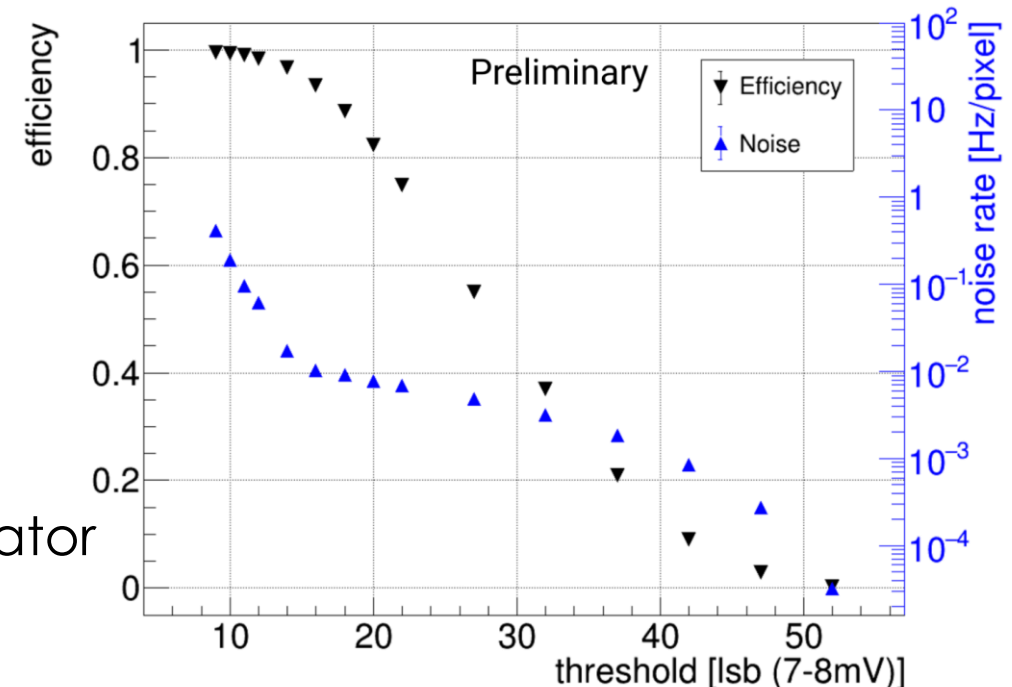


Mu3e requirements	
Efficiency	$\geq 99 \%$
Noise rate	$\leq 20 \text{ Hz / pixel}$
Time resolution	$\leq 20 \text{ ns}$
Power consumption	$\leq 350 \text{ mW / cm}^2$



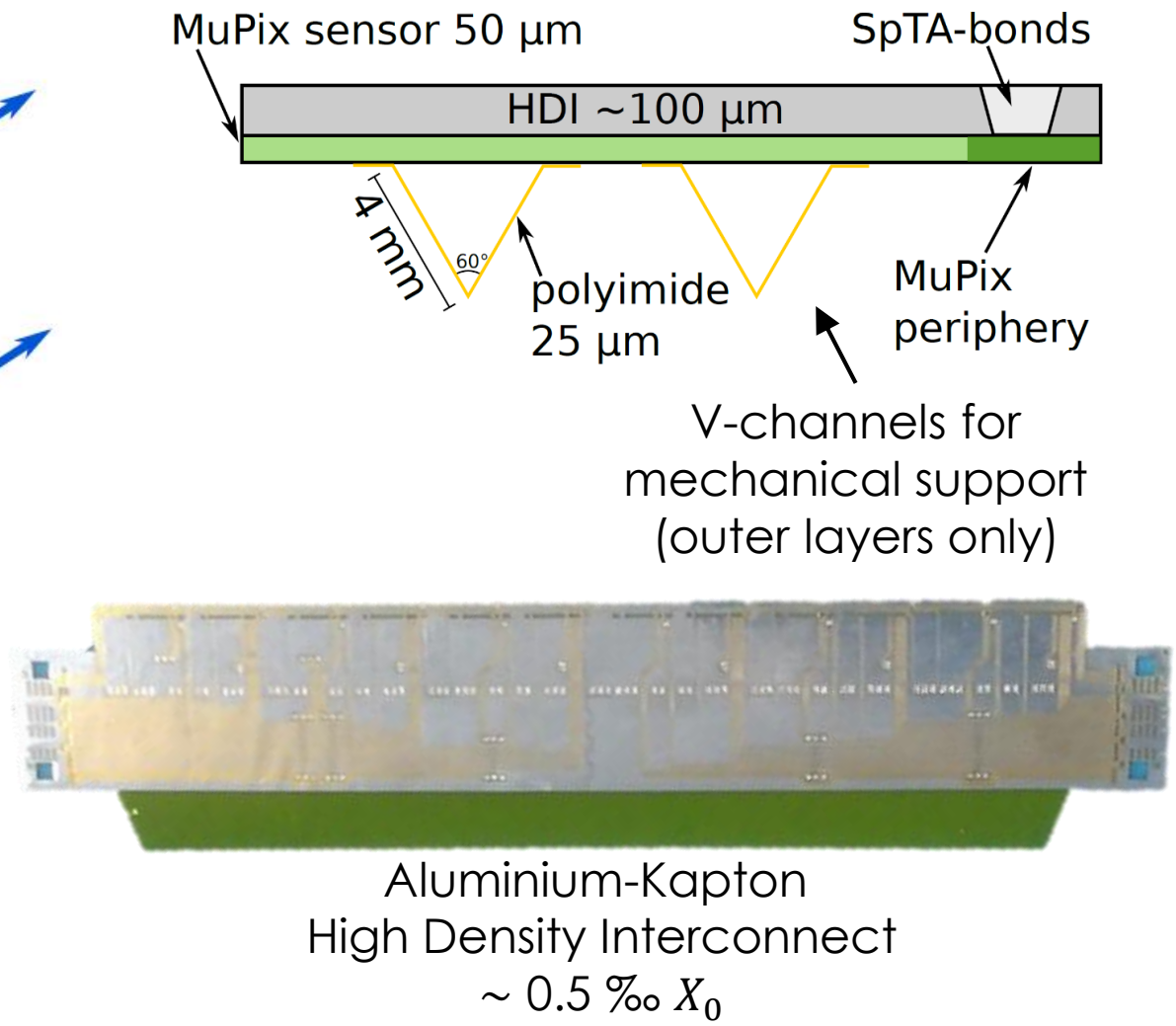
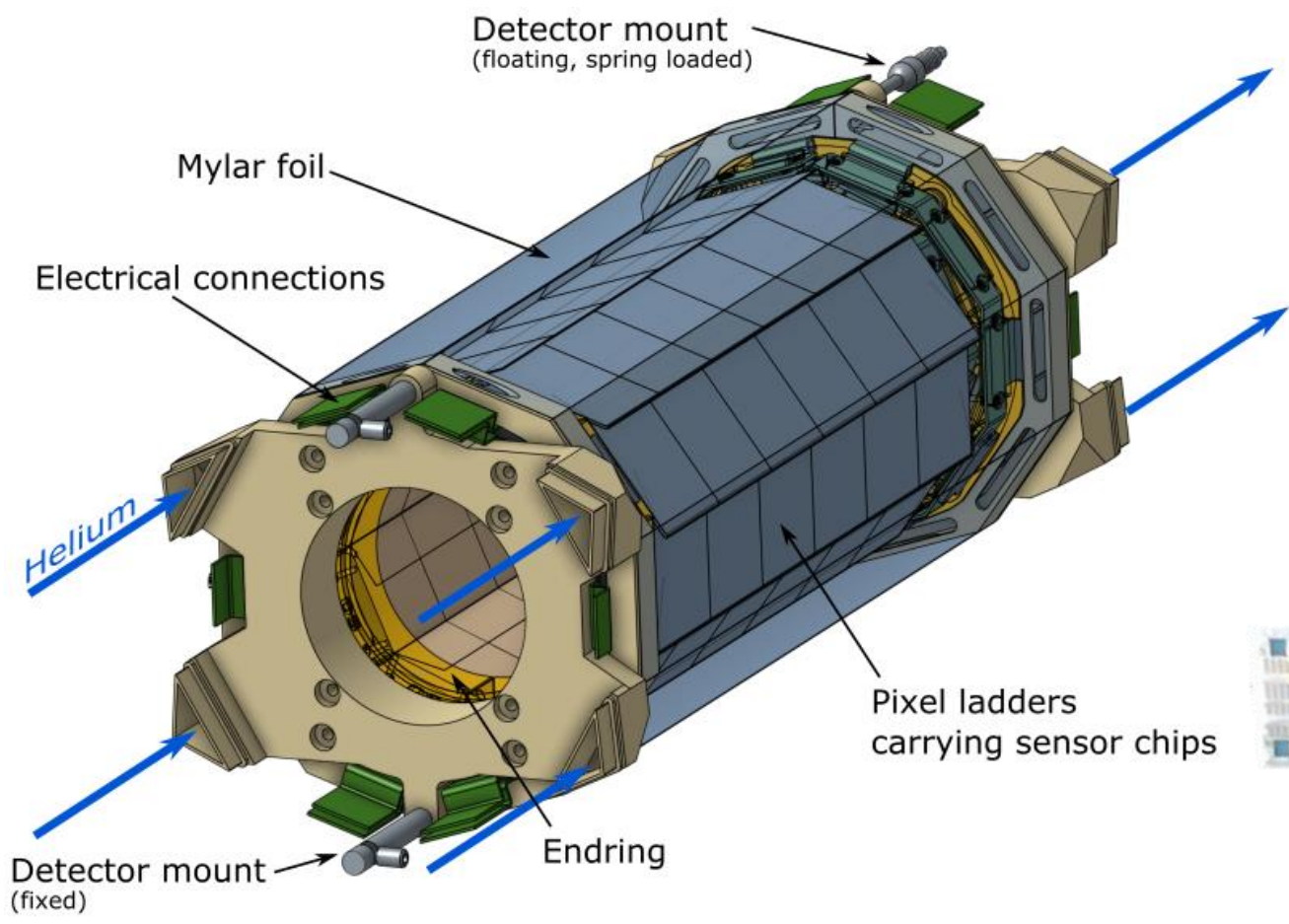
The Mu3e Pixel Sensors – **MuPix**

- **MuPix10** thinned to 50 μm **fulfills specifications**
- Efficiency and time resolution (~ 10 ns) measured at test beam at DESY
- **MuPix11** will be the final chip for Phase I
 - Improved powering scheme
 - Readout and slow control fix
 - New pixel routing scheme
 - Increased coupling capacitance to comparator
 - Expected to arrive this summer





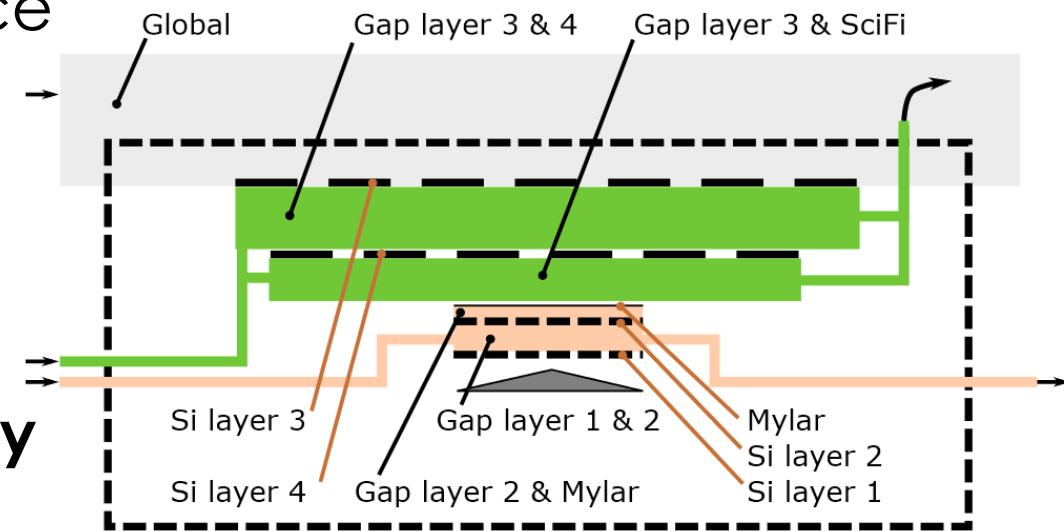
The Vertex Detector





Pixel Detector Cooling with Helium

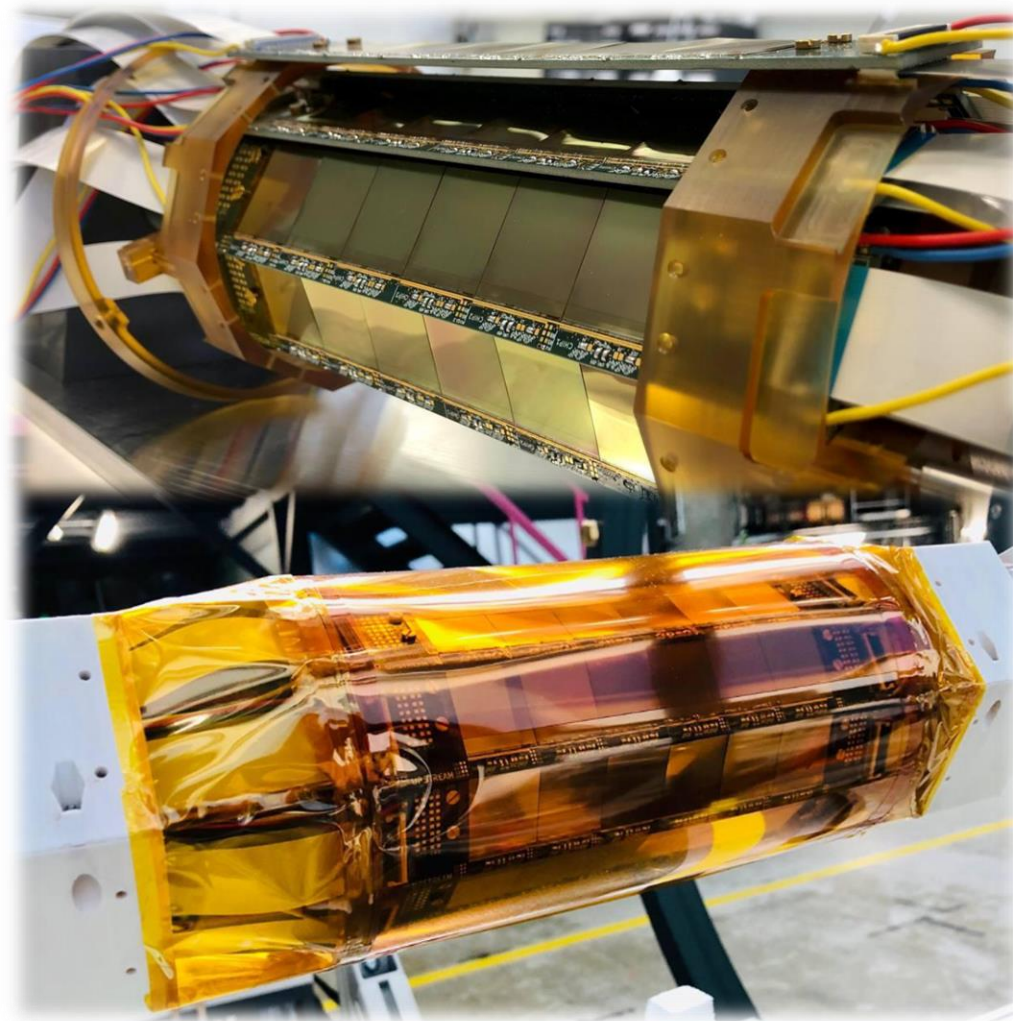
- **Cooling** of sensors **required** (max surface power density 400 mW/cm^2)
- As little material as possible
- Gaseous **Helium**: low density, reasonable cooling capabilities
- Miniature turbo compressors **specifically designed** to be operated with helium
- Helium circuit optimized for **minimized pressure drops**





Prototype Vertex Detector

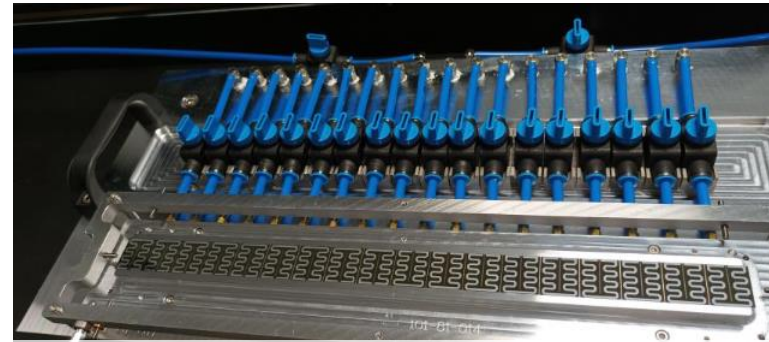
- Simplified PCB-based **demonstrator**
 - **Full-scale MuPix10** chips wire bonded
 - PCB ladders instead of HDI
 - Manual placement of chips with precision of 5 μm
- Simplified **helium distribution**
- **Full detector operated successfully**
 - ~ 100 W heat load cooled with 2 g/s helium gas cooling



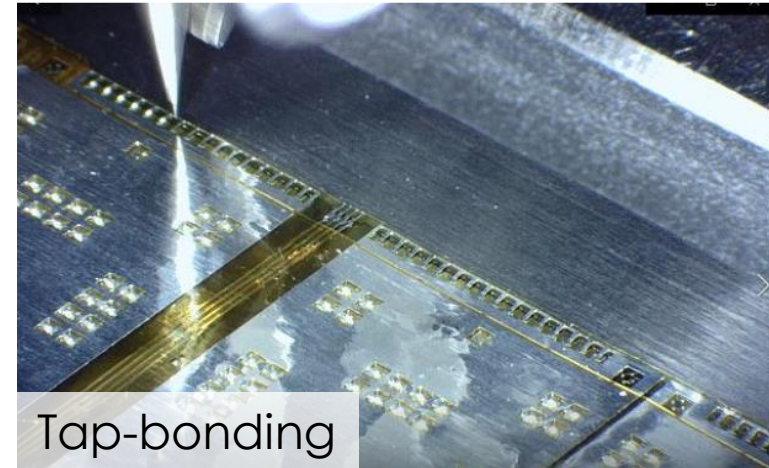


Outer Pixel Layers

- **Production procedure** with robotic gantry and robotic glue dispenser has been **developed**
- **Mock-up ladders** with **18 chips** and HDIs have been **produced**



18 Si heater chips aligned $\sim 6 \mu\text{m}$



Tap-bonding

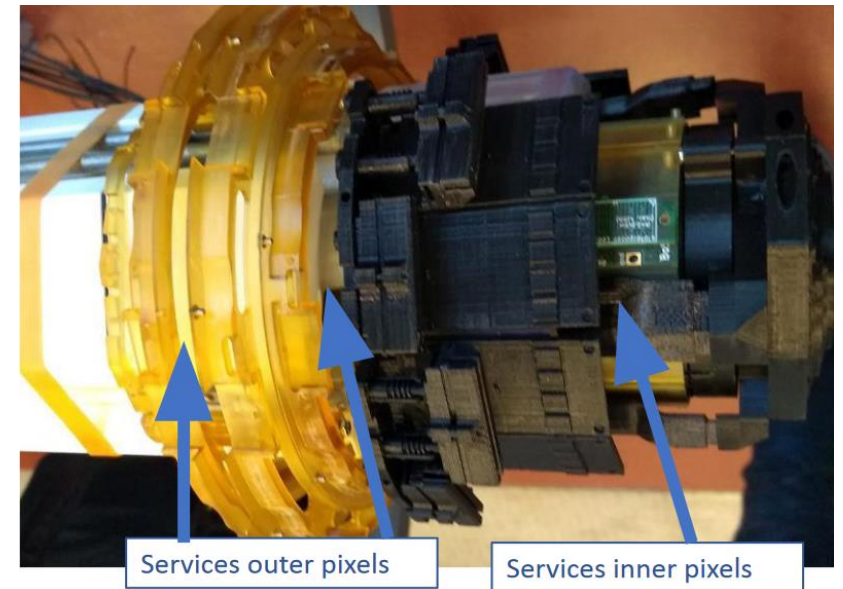
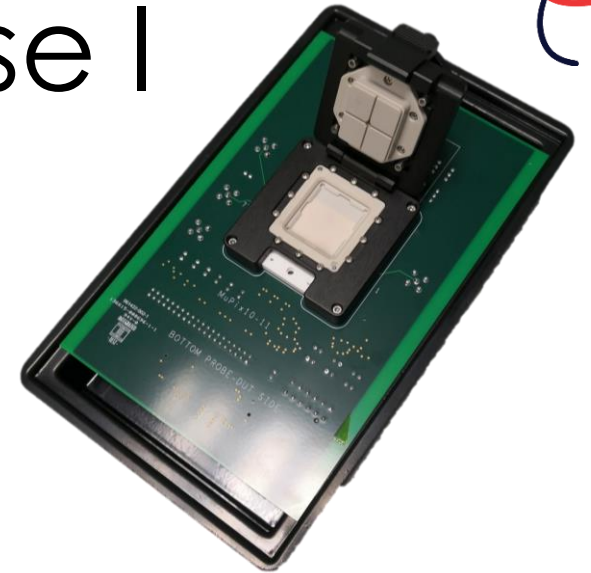


Final ladder

M3e

Pixel Detector Status for Phase I

- **Production chains** developed for inner and outer pixel layers
- **MuPix11 Q/A** single chip needle socket test stand developed
- MuPix11 module pre-production starts autumn 2022
- **Full production** starts beginning of **2023**
- On detector services are being finalized



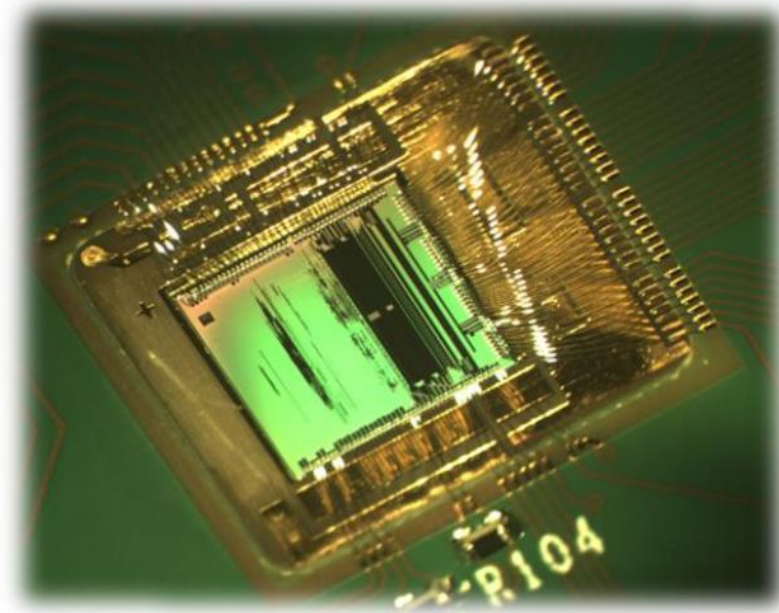


The Timing Detectors



Common Readout ASIC – **MuTRiG**

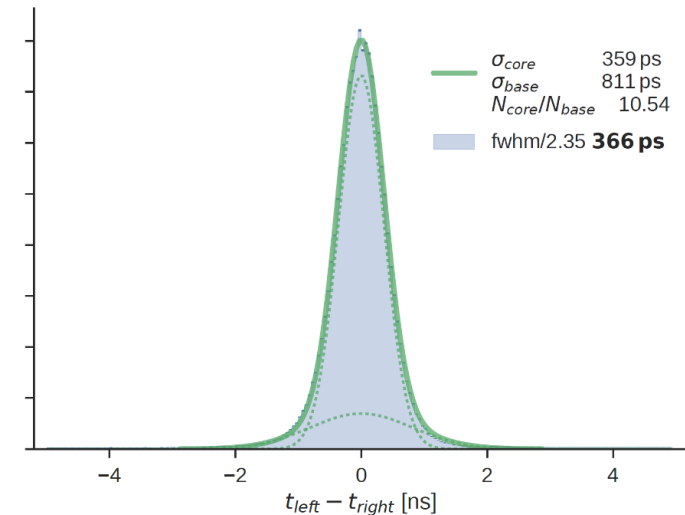
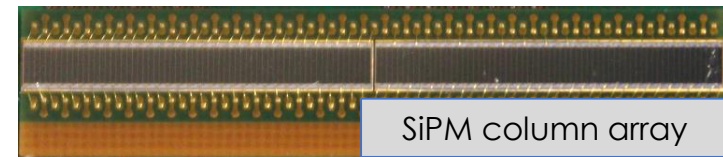
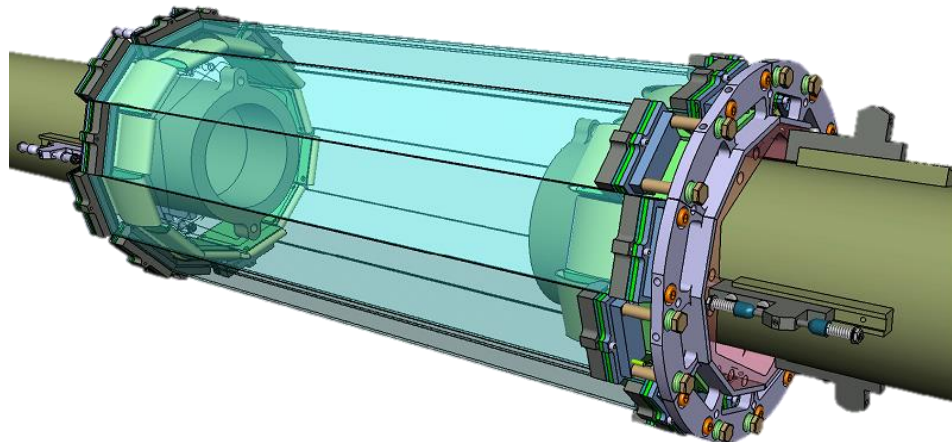
- Both timing detectors use **silicon photomultipliers**
- Custom designed SiPM readout ASIC: **MuTRiG**
- 32-channels
- **50 ps Time-to-digital converter**
- Version 3 has been submitted in May 2022
 - Higher thresholds
 - Reduction of IOs
 - Triple redundant config register





Fibre Detector

- 12 fibre ribbons
 - 30 cm long
 - 3 staggered layers of 250 μm thin fibres
 - Material budget $< 2\% X_0$
- 128 channel Hamamatsu S13552-HRQ **SiPM column arrays**
- Measured **time resolution** ~ **250 ps**

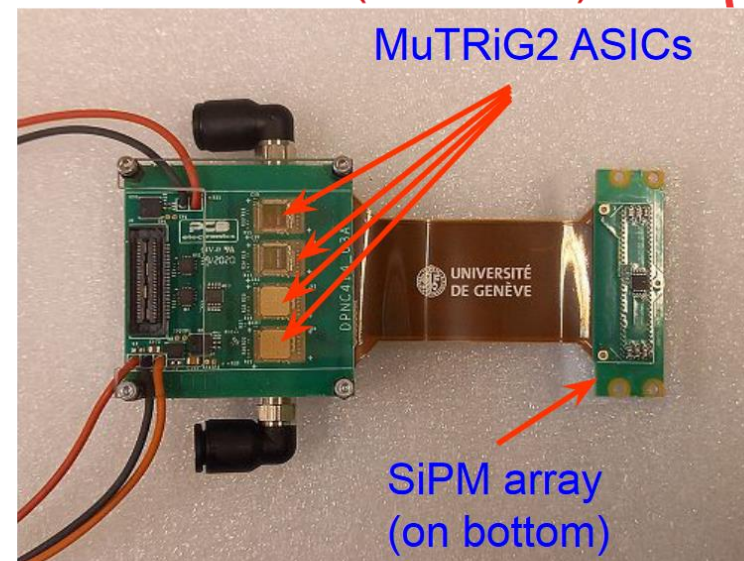


Example time resolution measured with 4-layer prototype ~ 200 ps

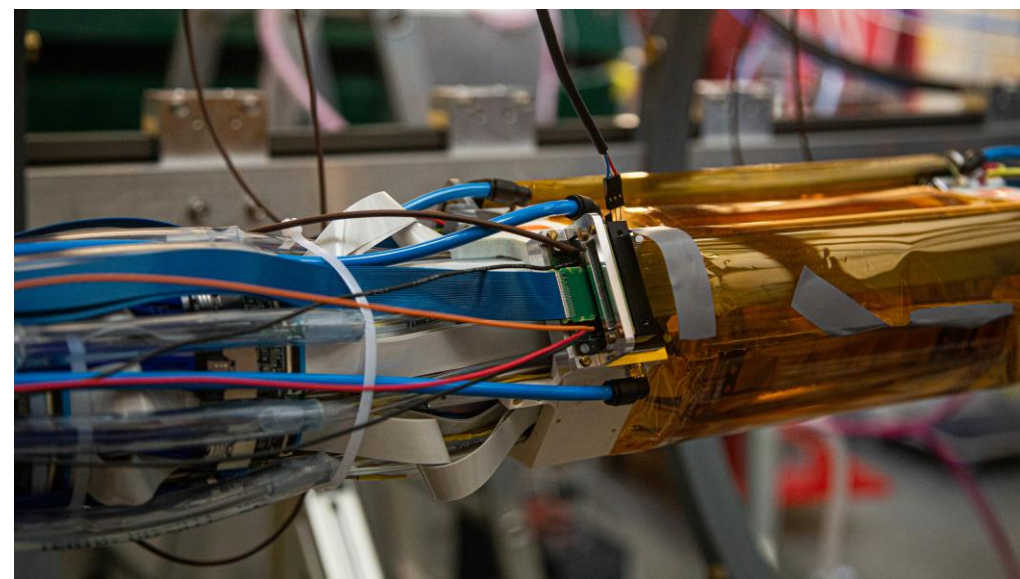
Fibre Detector Status

- Finalizing mechanical design including liquid cooling system ($\sim -20^{\circ}\text{C}$)
- **Readout tested successfully** with MuTRiG v2
- On-detector SciFi readout boards for Phase I are being finalized
- Prototype ribbons have been operated @ PSI
- **DAQ integration ongoing**

SciFi board (version 2)



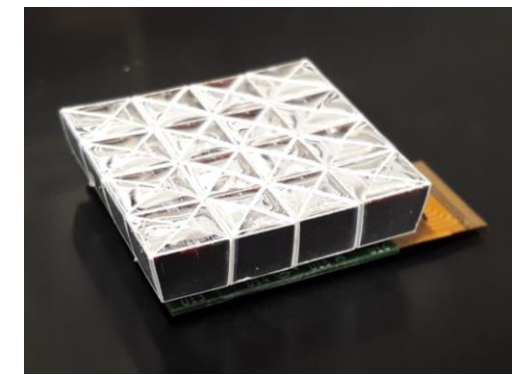
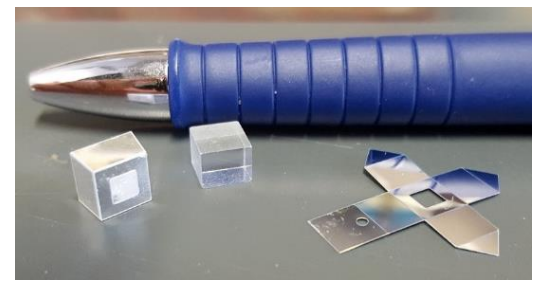
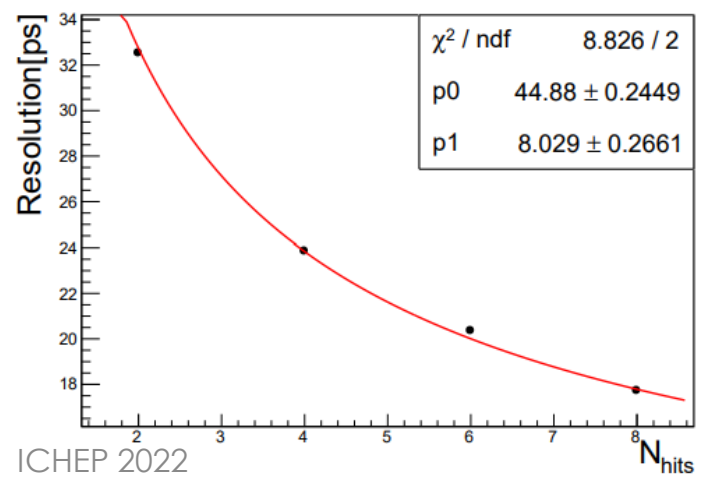
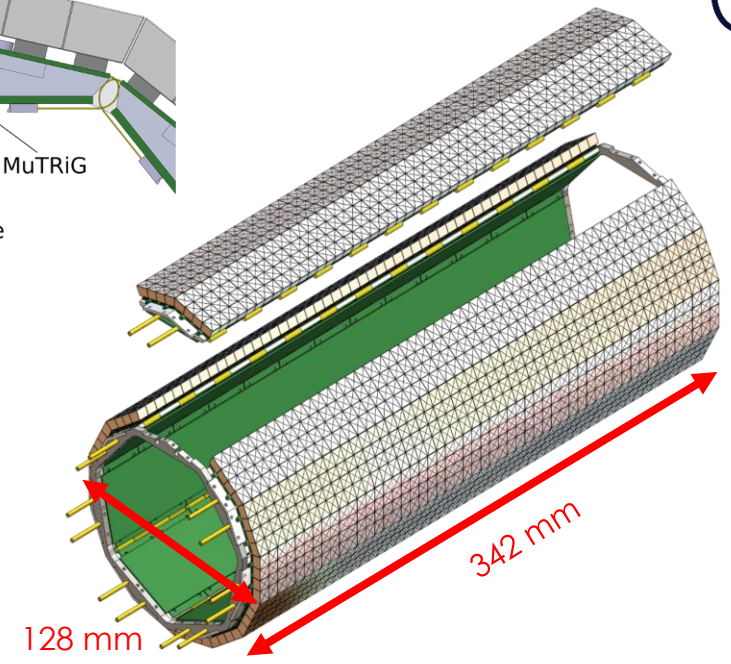
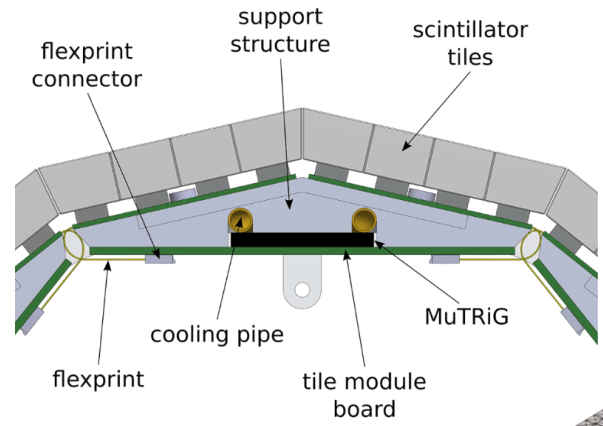
Readout based on the MuTRiG ASIC





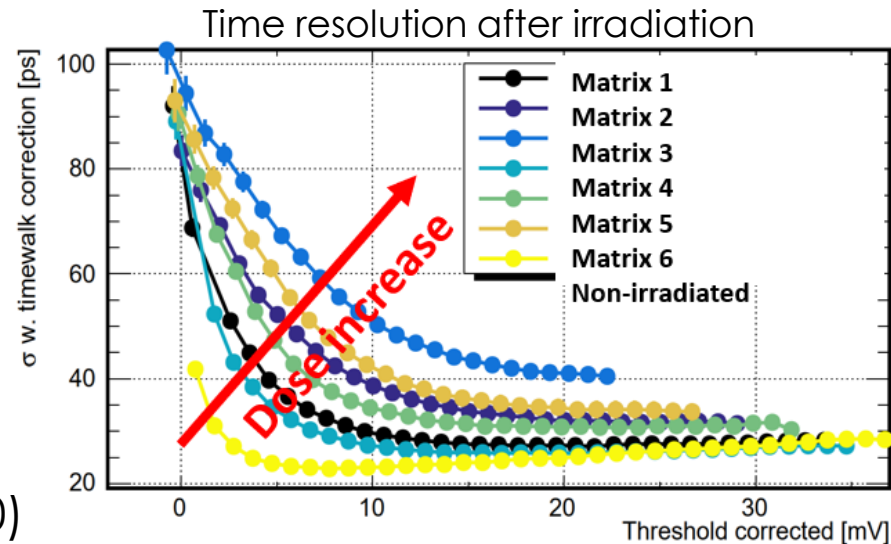
Tile Detector

- Scintillating tiles $\sim 5 \times 5 \times 5 \text{ mm}^3$
- Hamamatsu MPPC S13360-3050VE
- ~ 6000 channels
- Up to **60 kHz/channel**
- Measured **time resolution $< 50 \text{ ps}$** (single channel)

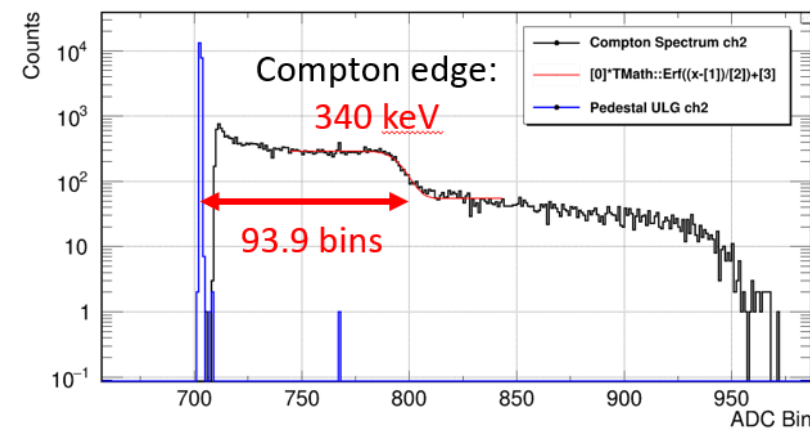


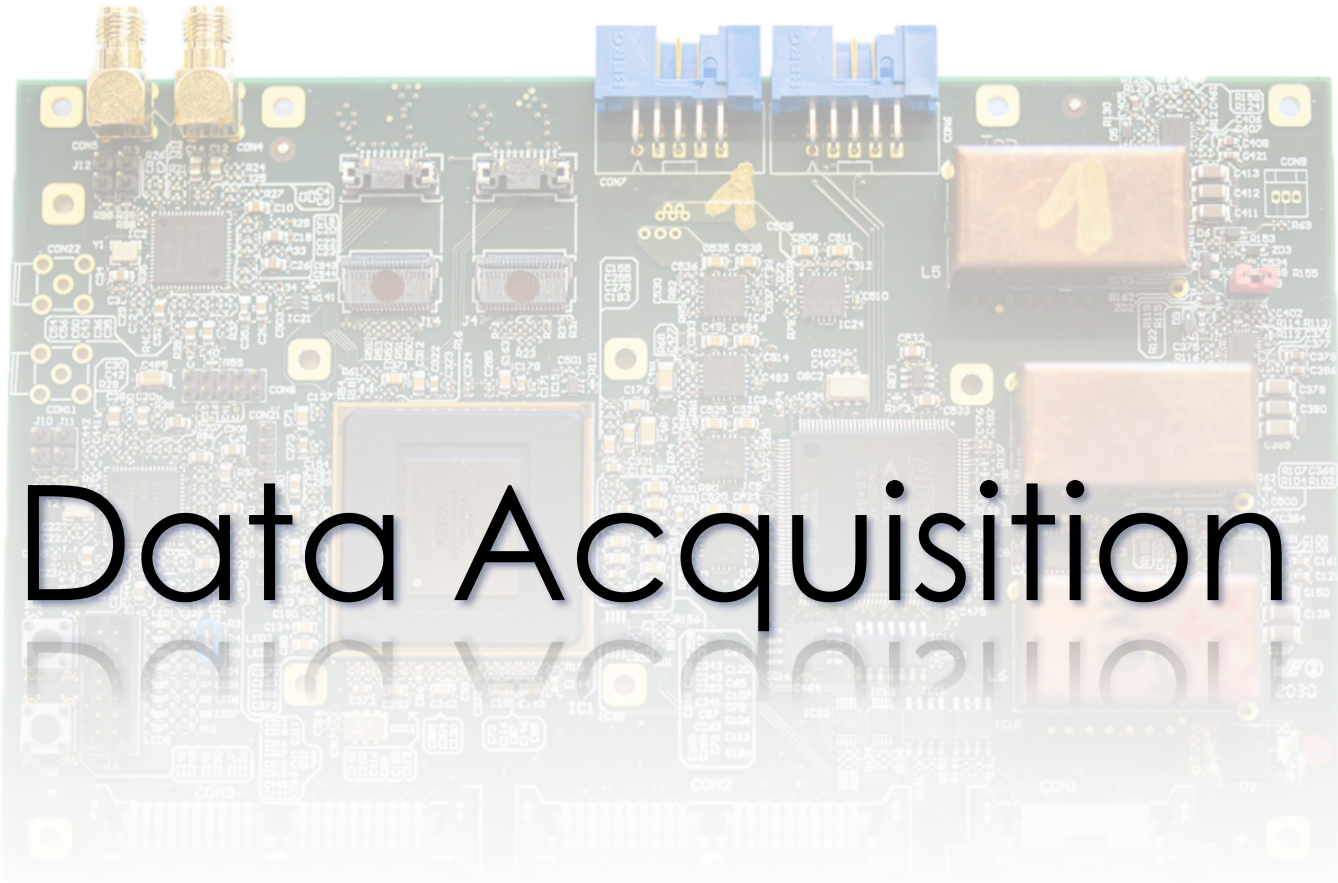
Tile Detector Status

- **2021: study impact of irradiation damage**
 - For tiles closest to target @ ~ expected dose of Phase I: increase of dark count rate (DCR) by $O(1000)$
 - Intrinsic time resolution measured after irradiation
- **Production of final demonstrator modules**
 - Matrices for 2 demonstrator modules assembled and characterized
 - Q/A test stands for SiPM parameters/Light yield in place
- **Readout electronics**
 - Second version of module board is fully functional
 - Integration in Mu3e DAQ system ongoing
- **Assembly of final detector components about to be started**



Characterization of sensor matrices

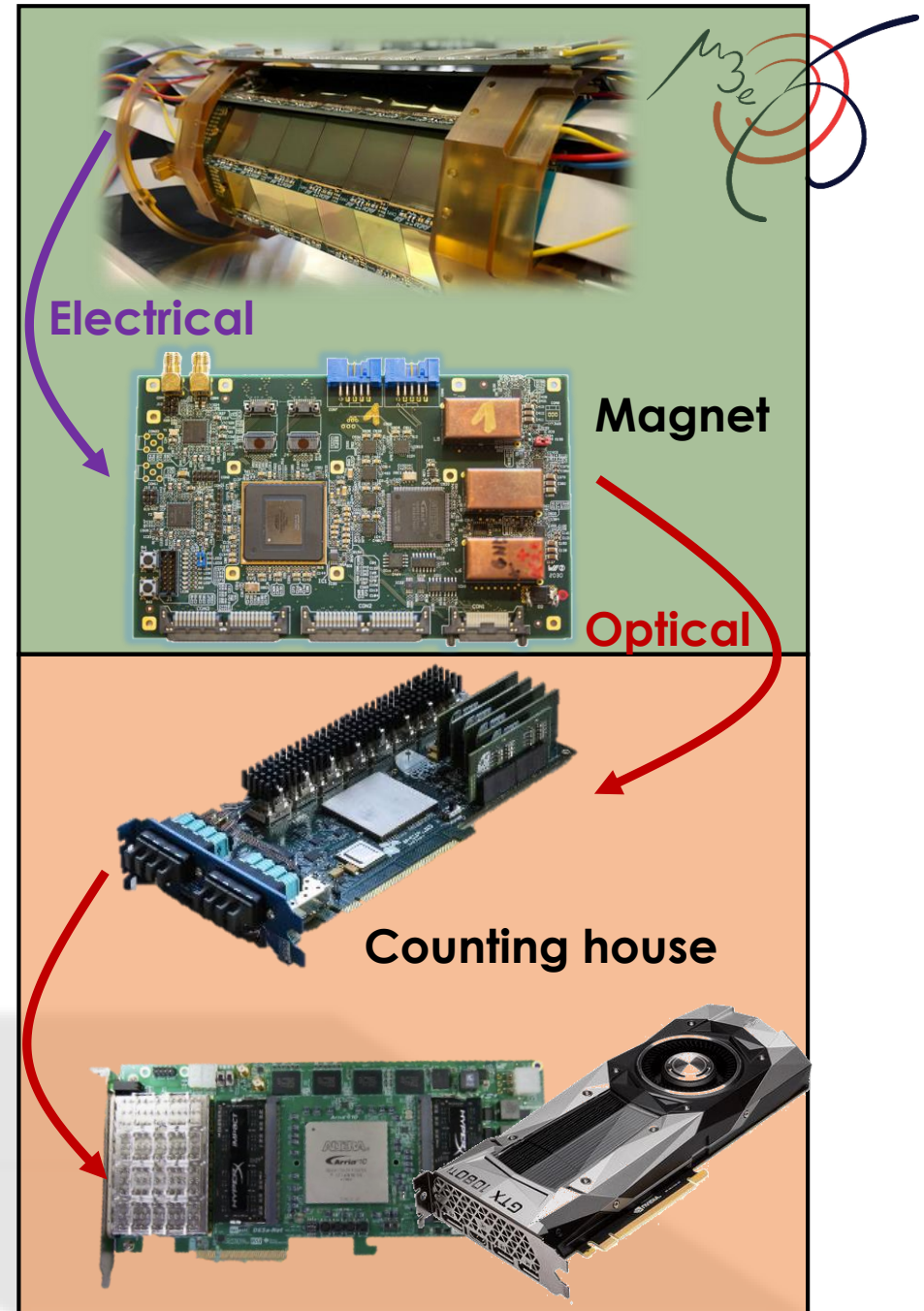




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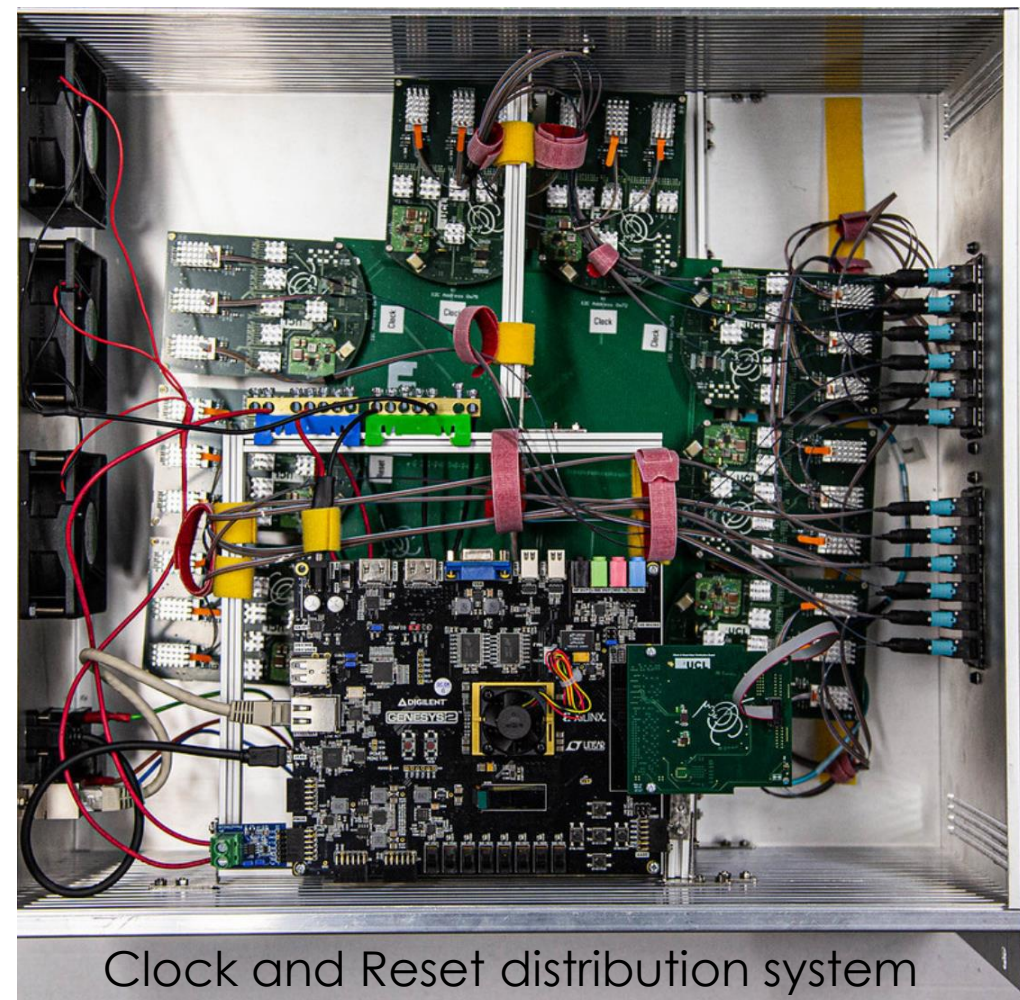
The Readout Concept

- Fully **synchronized** detector operation
- **Streaming readout** of zero-suppressed data (MuPix & MuTRiG)
- Custom **FPGA** front-end boards inside the magnet
- **Optical** data transfer out of magnet
- Data aggregation on **PCIe40** boards
- **Online event selection** based on track and vertex reconstruction on **GPUs**



DAQ Status

- Working first batch of **front-end boards**
- Working **Clock & Reset** distribution
- Rest are COTS or already available
- Major FPGA firmware blocks available and tested in hardware
- **Integration** and **scaling-up** in progress
- Concentrated efforts during **“Integration Run 2021”** and **“Cosmics Run 2022”**





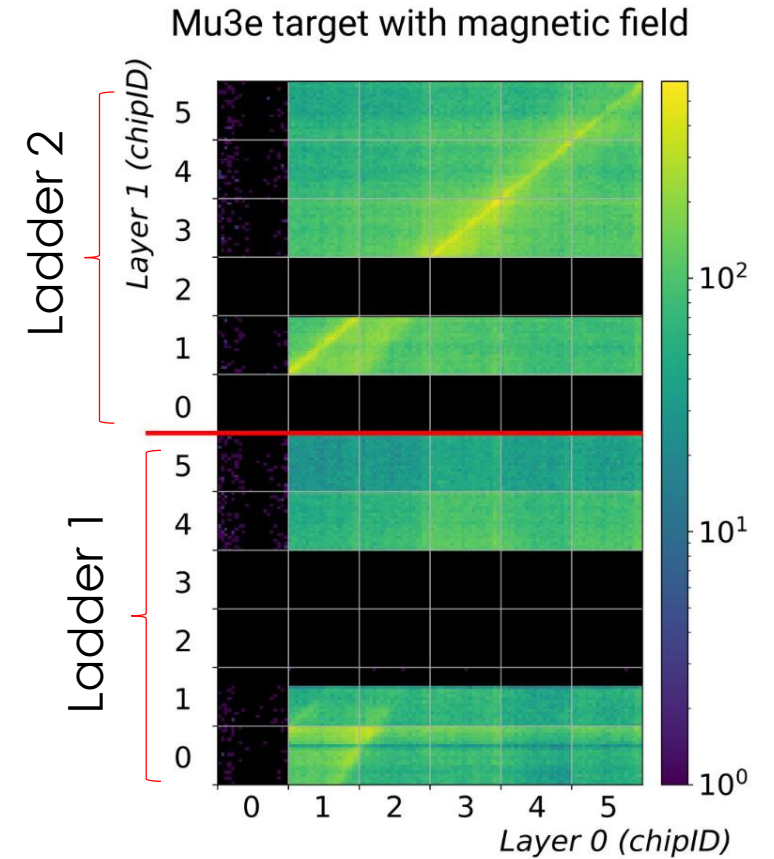
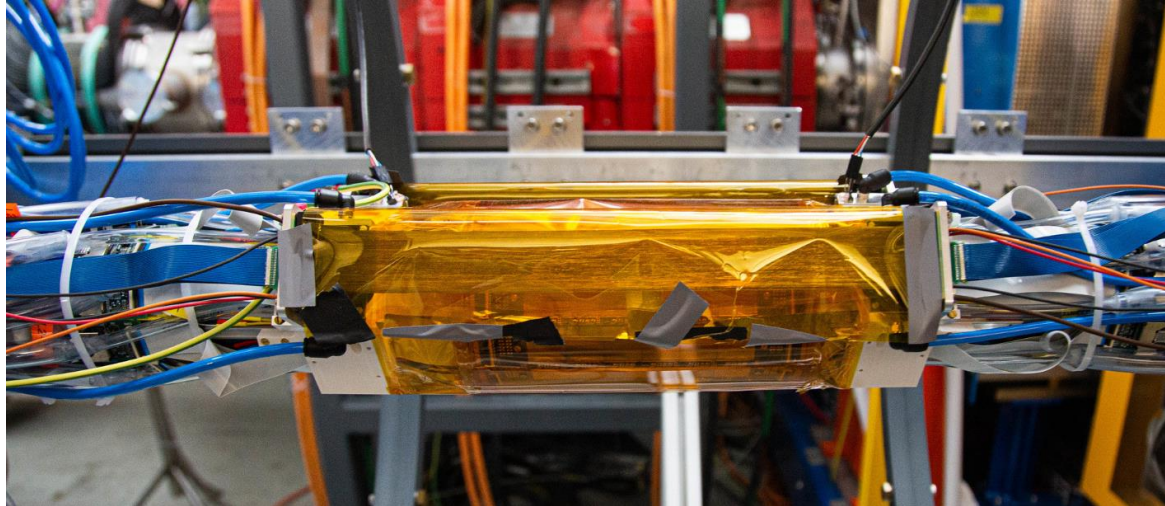
Integration Run 2021: Services





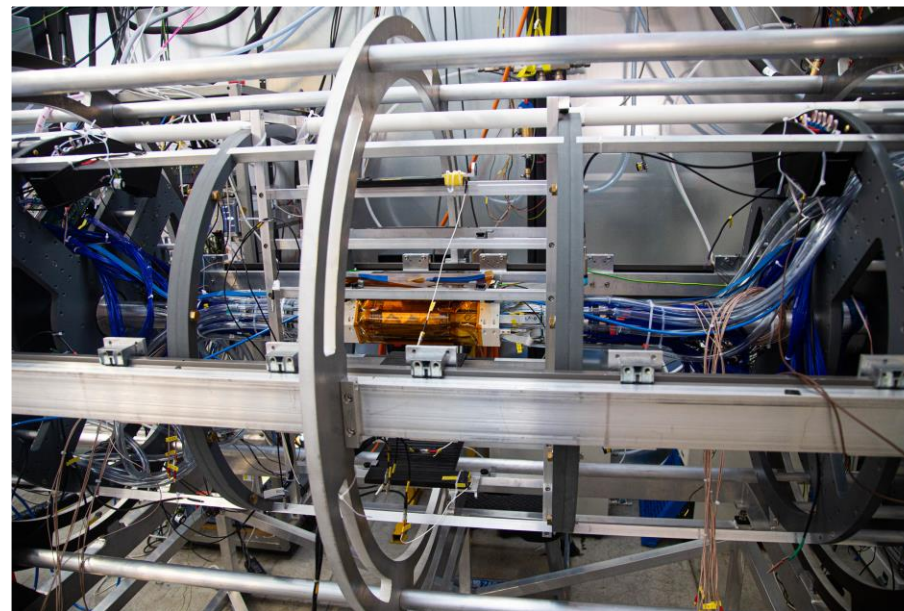
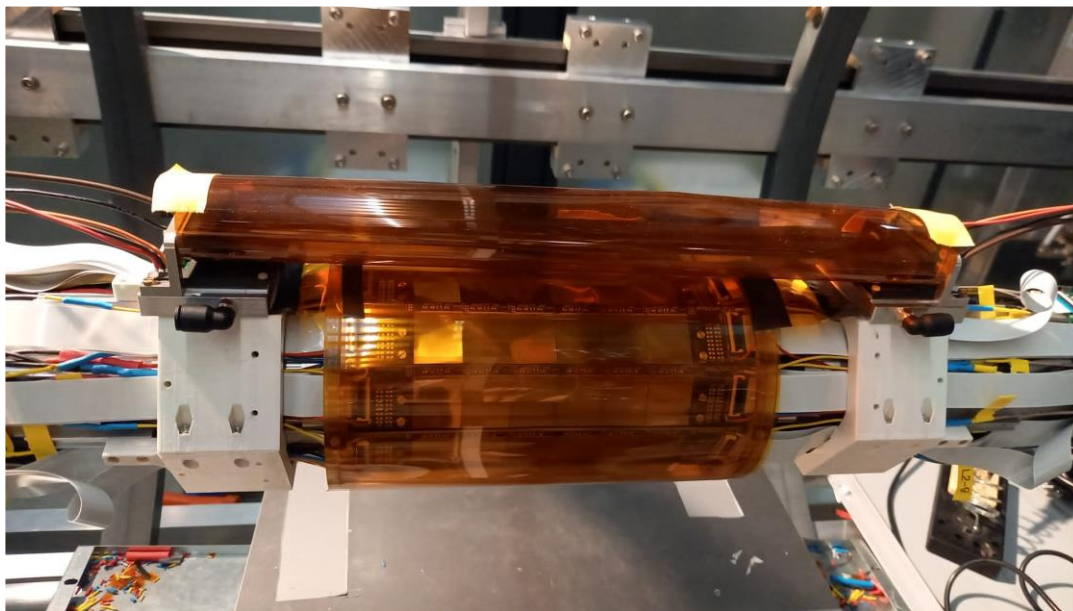
Integration Run 2021: Results

- Prototype pixel detector + 2 SciFi Ribbons **successfully operated** in magnet with helium cooling and beam
- We saw correlations between pixel sensors!



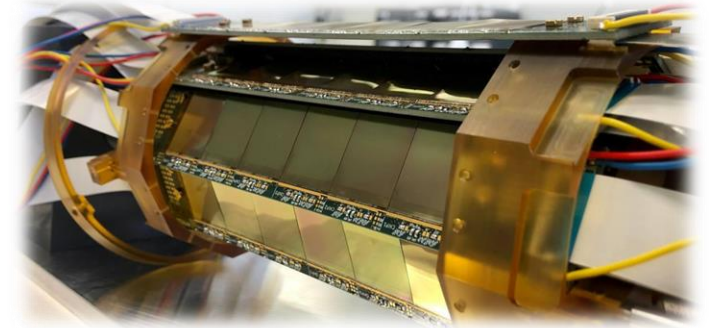
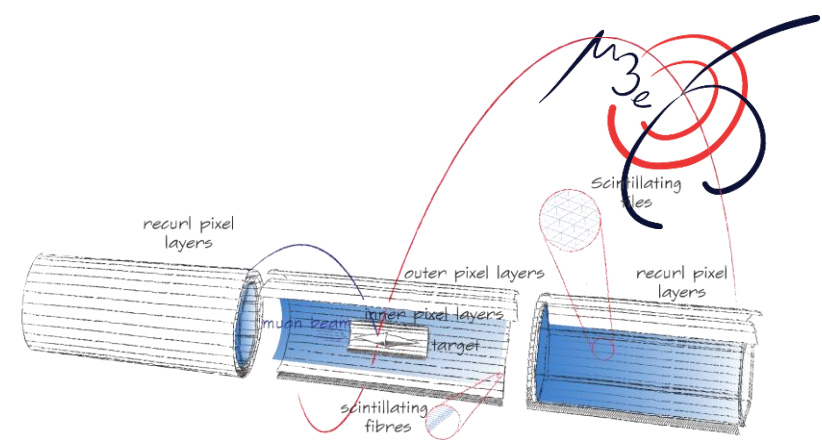
Cosmics Run 2022

- Currently on-going at PSI
- Goal: **Synchronization** of Pixel and SciFi
- Results will follow soon!



Summary and Outlook

- The Mu3e experiment will search for the cLFV decay $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+$
- **Prototype detectors have successfully been operated in magnet, in helium, with beam**
- All detectors are preparing for mass production
- **Inner system commissioning** planned for **2023**
- Final integration, commissioning, and **physics data taking** will start in **2024**





Backup



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

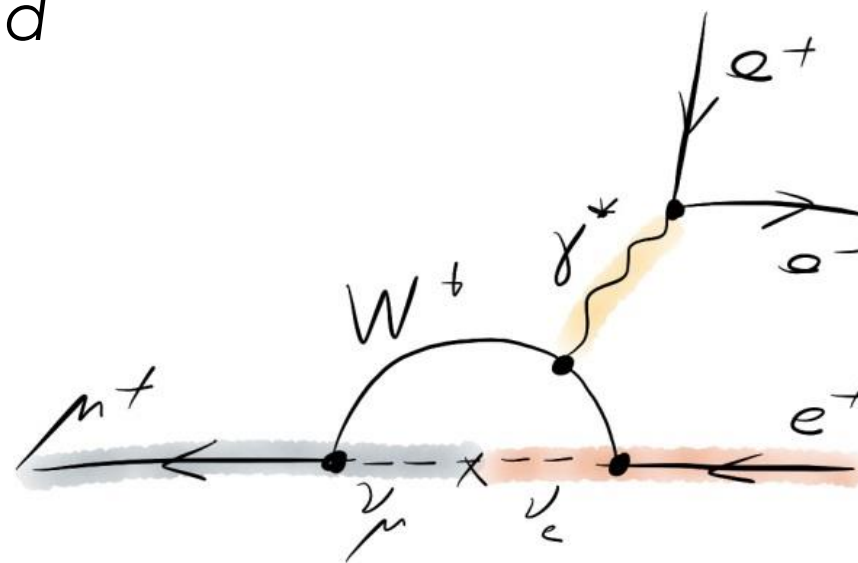
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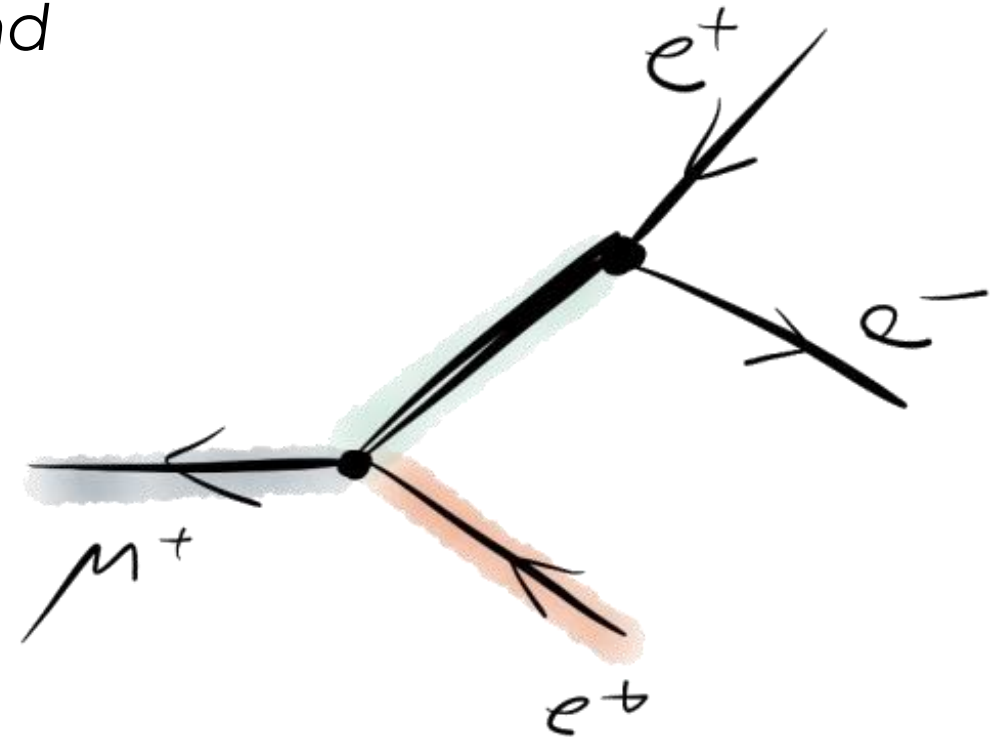
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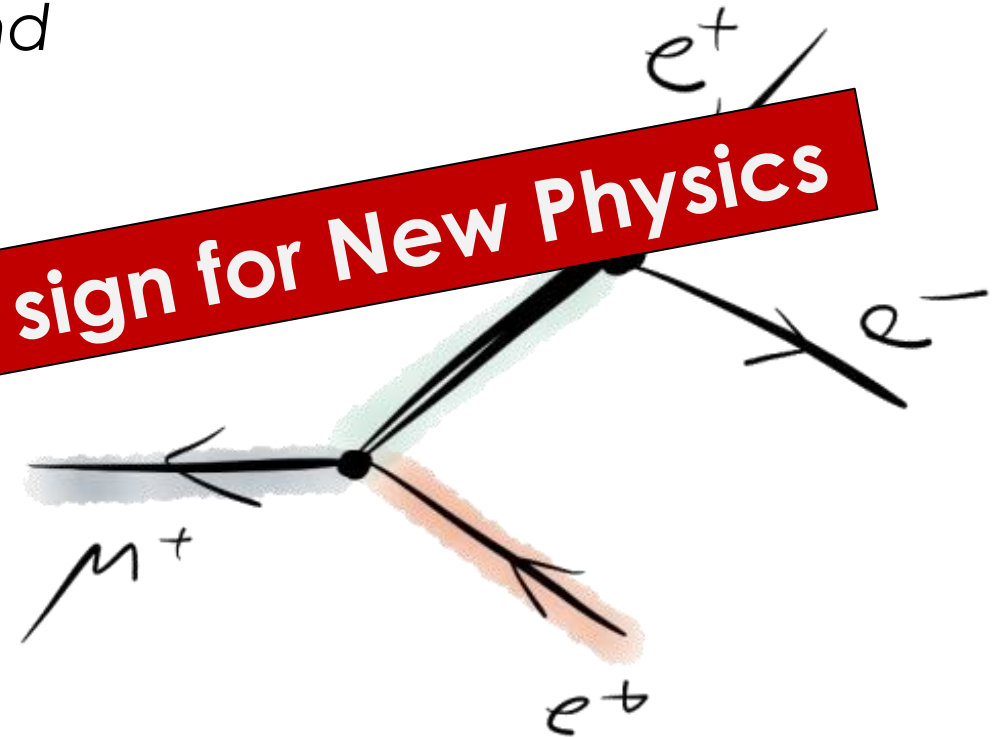
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So if we observe cLFV → clear sign for New Physics

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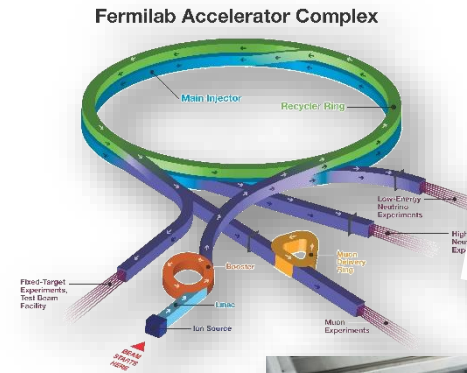
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Tests of cLFV



- **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

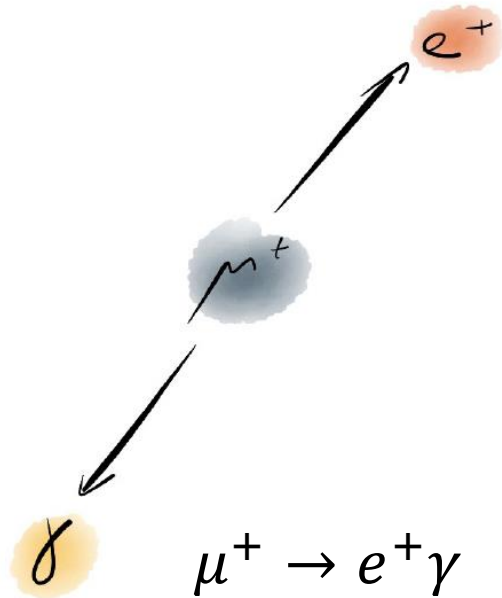


Also at colliders (LHC, Belle II)

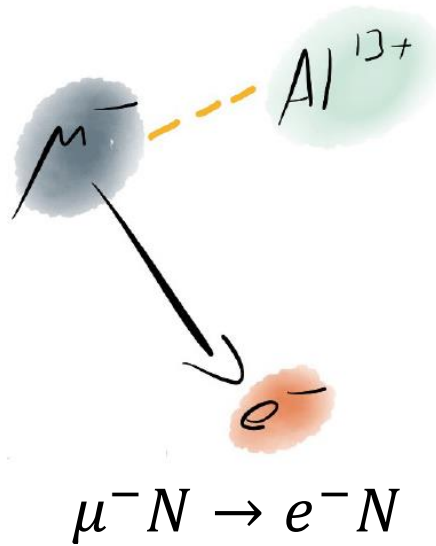
- LFV decays of Higgs
- Leptoquark searches
- LFV decays of B-mesons
 $B^0 \rightarrow e^\pm \mu^\mp, B_s^0 \rightarrow e^\pm \mu^\mp$
- LFV decays of τ
 $\tau \rightarrow 3l, \tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma$



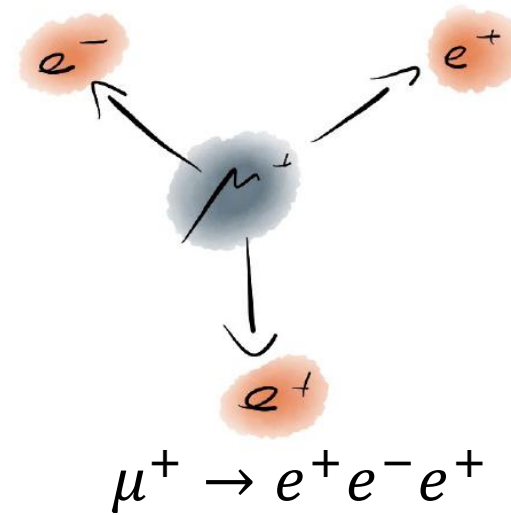
Golden Muon Decay Channels



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



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

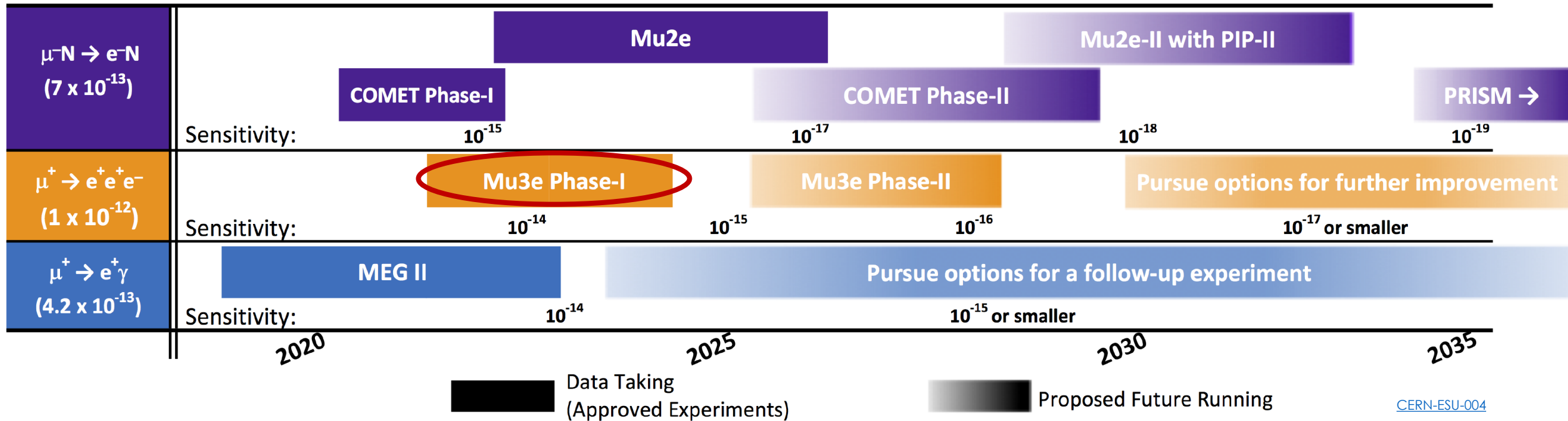


SINDRUM (PSI)
 $BR < 1 \times 10^{-12}$



Timeline of Muon cLFV Searches

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



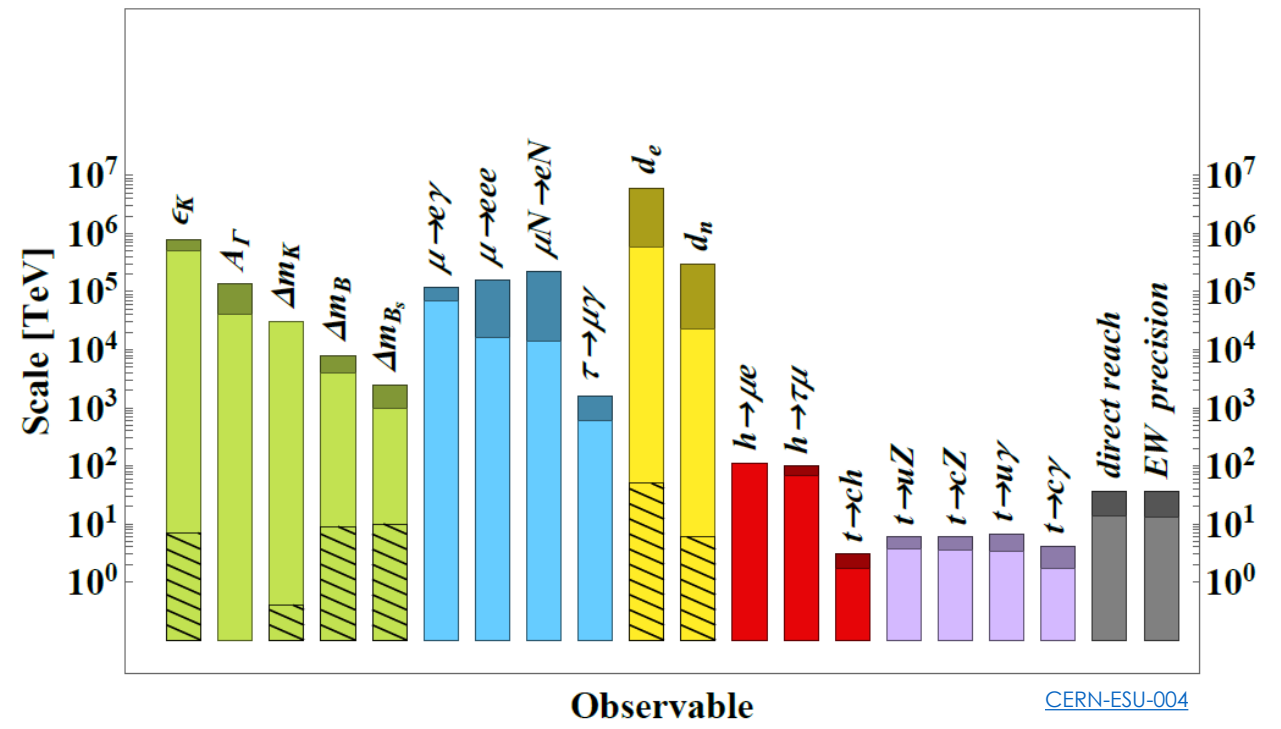


Sensitivity of Muon cLFV Searches

- 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

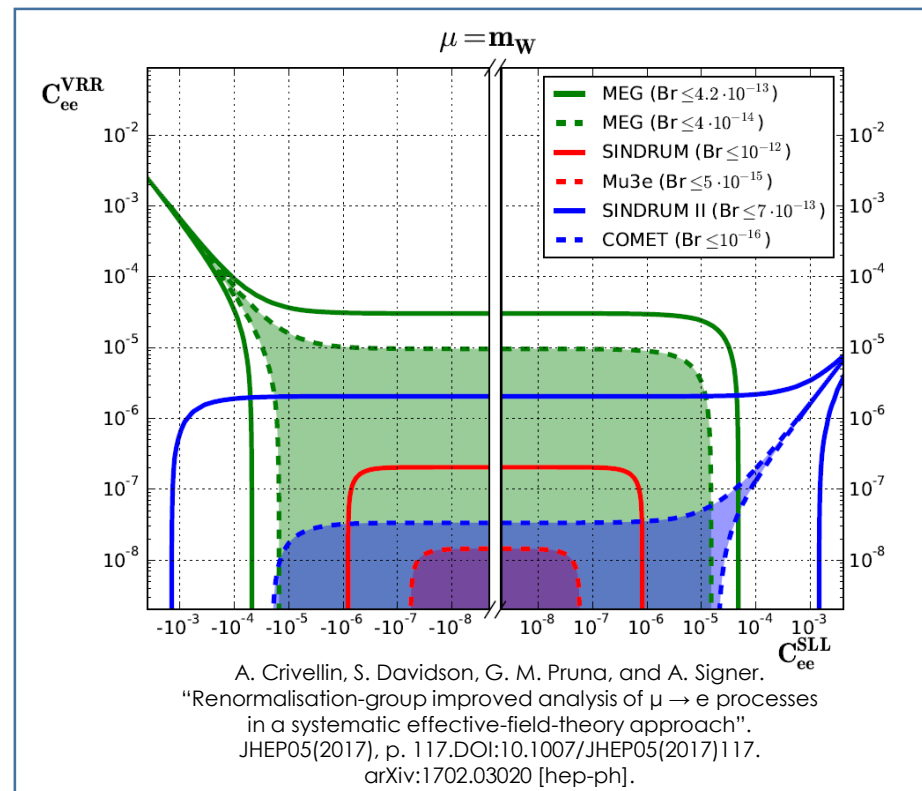
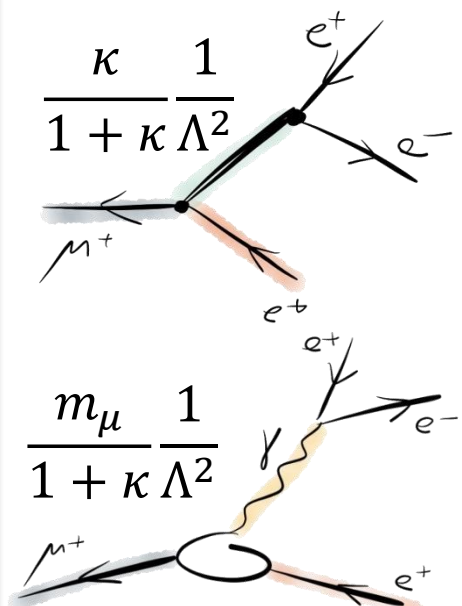
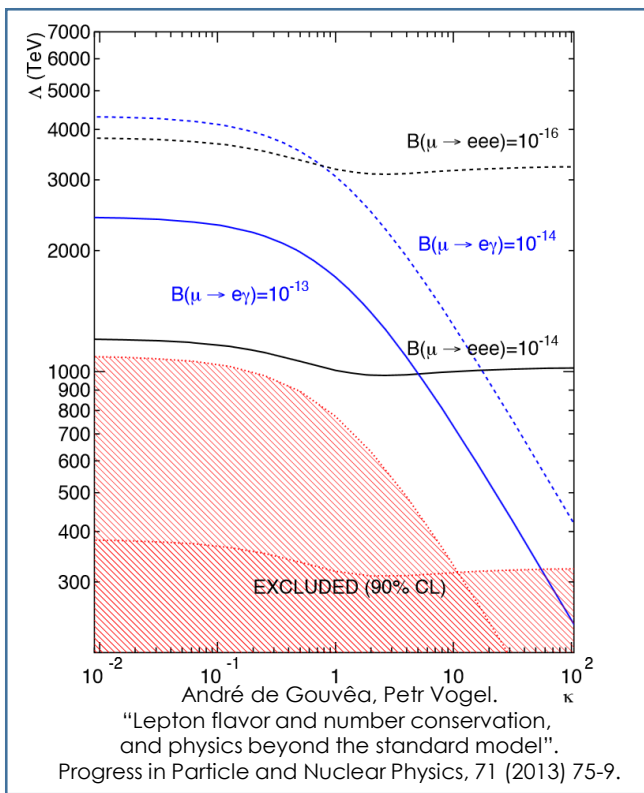


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Complementarity

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



Model	$\mu \rightarrow eee$	$\mu N \rightarrow eN$	$\frac{\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow eee)}{\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma)}$	$\frac{\text{CR}(\mu N \rightarrow eN)}{\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma)}$
MSSM	Loop	Loop	$\approx 6 \times 10^{-3}$	$10^{-3} - 10^{-2}$
Type-I seesaw	Loop	Loop	$3 \times 10^{-3} - 0.3$	$0.1 - 10$
Type-II seesaw	Tree	Loop	$(0.1 - 3) \times 10^3$	$\mathcal{O}(10^{-2})$
Type-III seesaw	Tree	Tree	$\approx 10^3$	$\mathcal{O}(10^3)$
LFV Higgs	Loop	Loop	$\approx 10^{-2}$	$\mathcal{O}(0.1)$
Composite Higgs	Loop	Loop	$0.05 - 0.5$	$2 - 20$

L. Calibbi, G. Signorelli, [arXiv:1709.00294](https://arxiv.org/abs/1709.00294)
 Ana M. Teixeira, PoS(NuFact2019)016

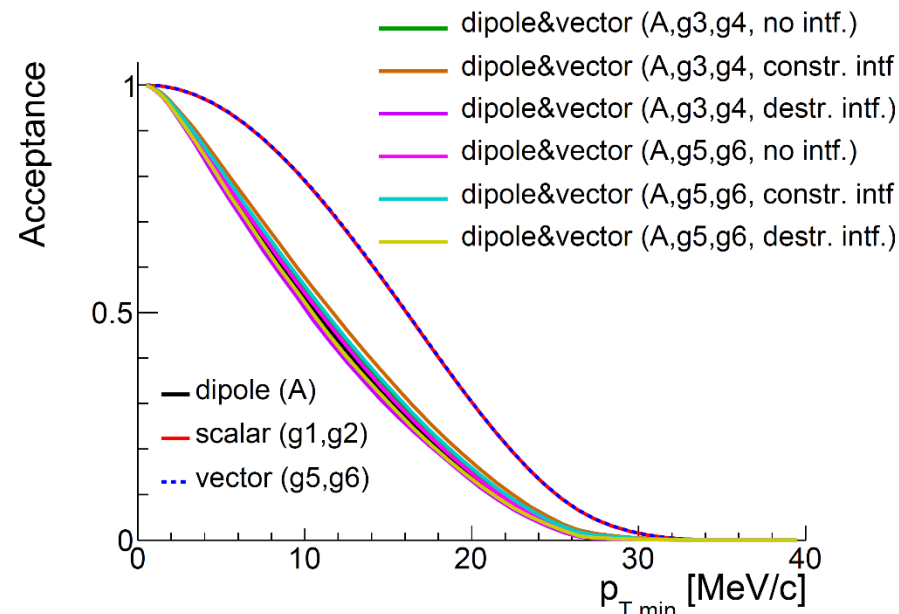
Signal Modelling

- 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!

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



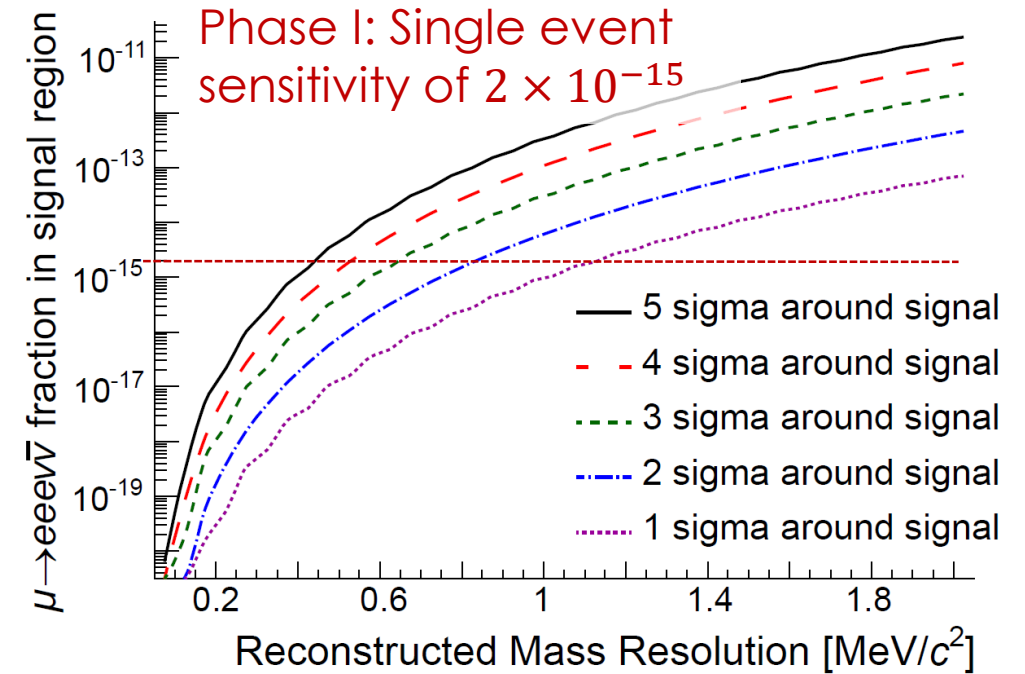
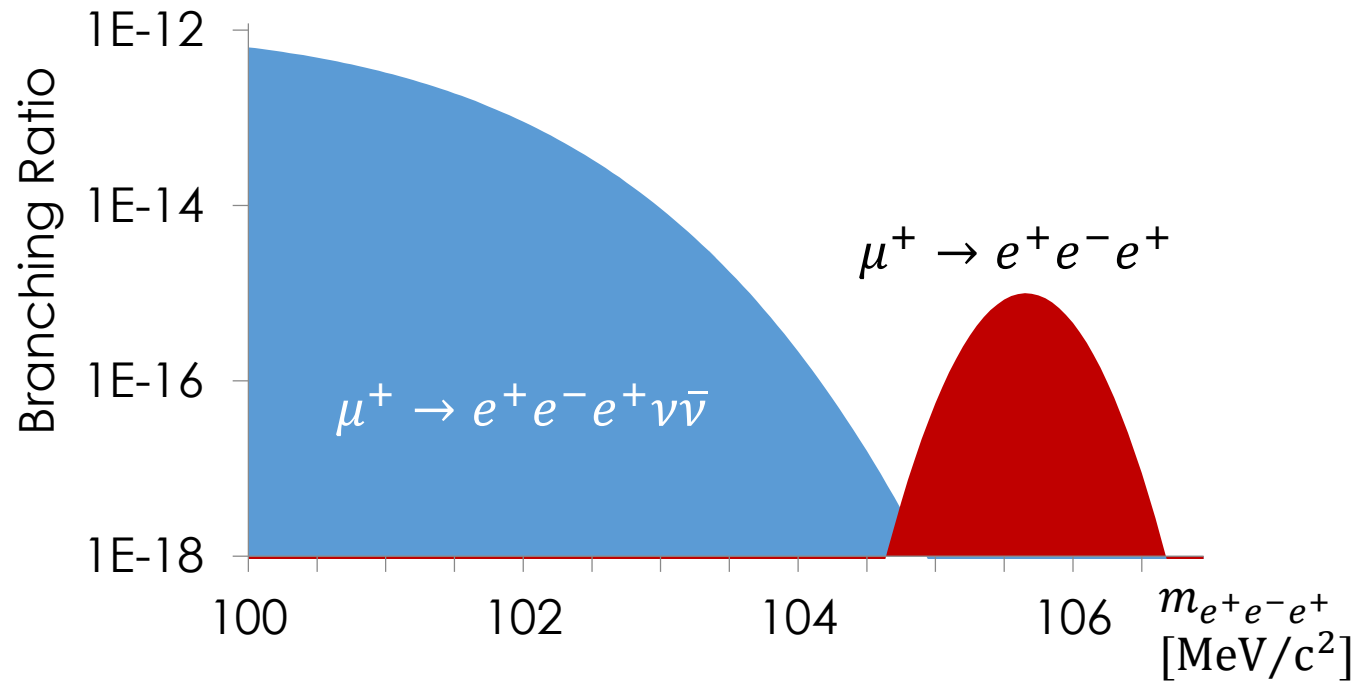
Parametrised Lagrangian by [Kuno and Okada](#)



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



Momentum Resolution Requirement



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

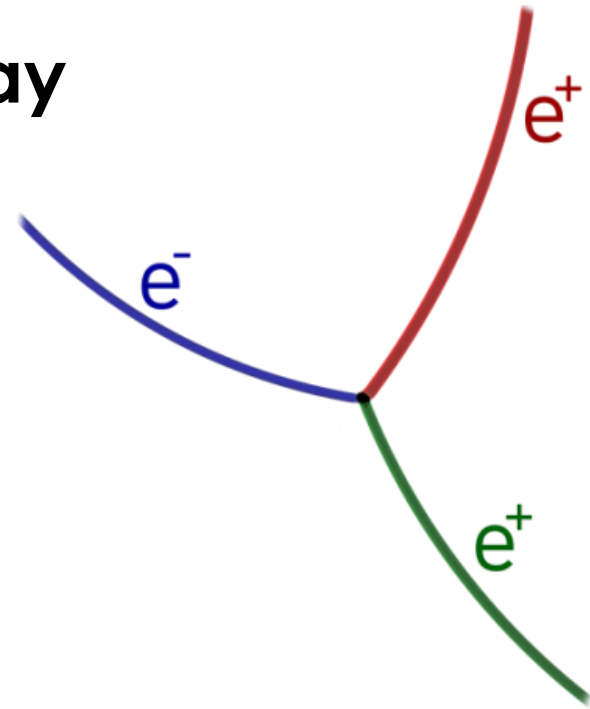


The Signal Decay

Muons are stopped before decay

Experimental Signature

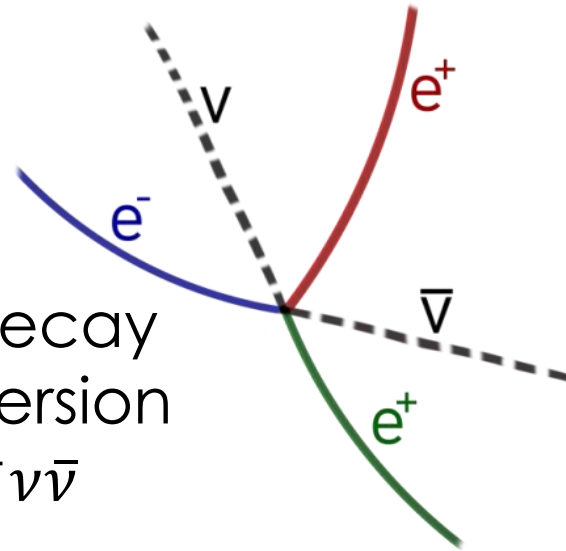
- Common vertex
- Time coincident
- $\sum \vec{p} = 0$
- $\sum E = m_\mu$





Main Sources of Background

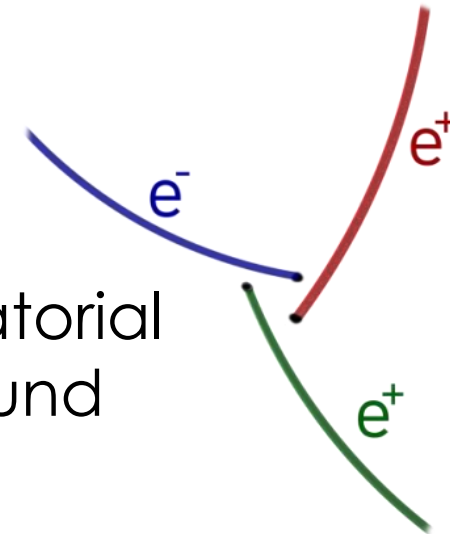
Radiative SM decay
+ photon conversion
 $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$



Experimental Signature

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

Combinatorial
background



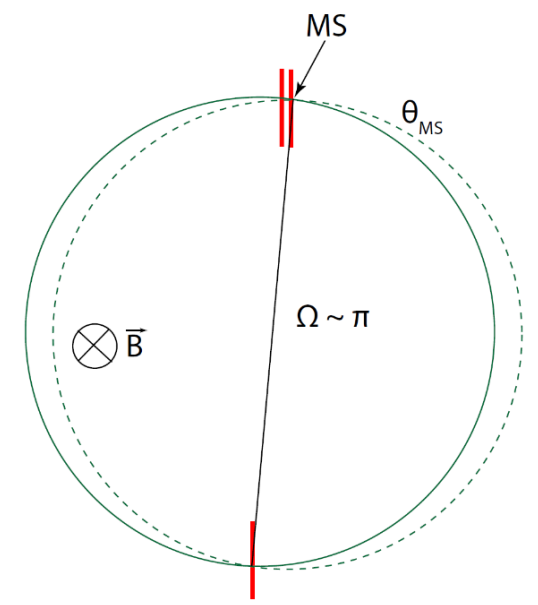
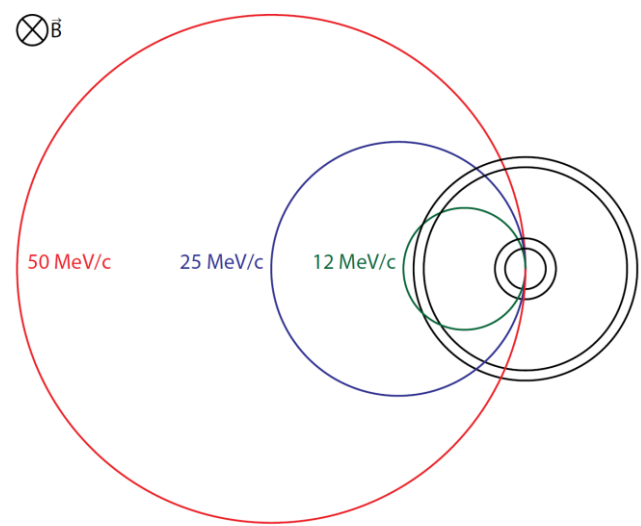
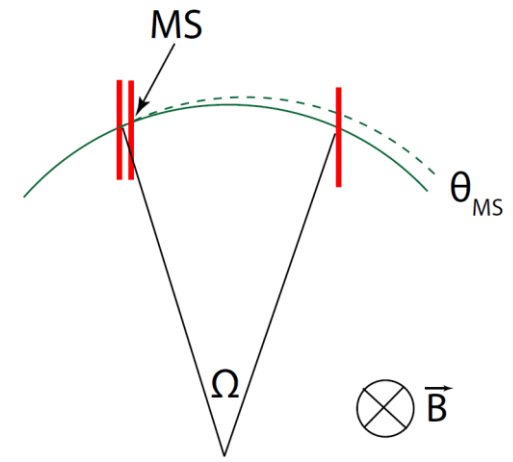
Experimental Signature

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



Momentum Measurement

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

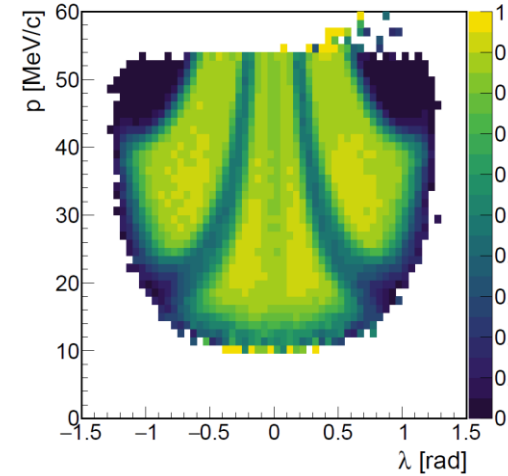
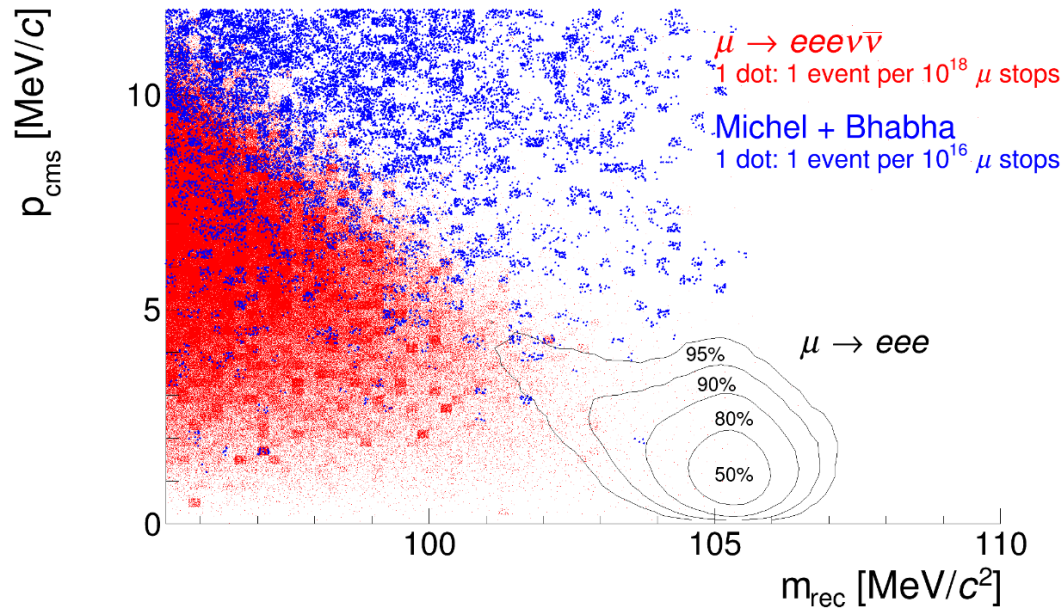




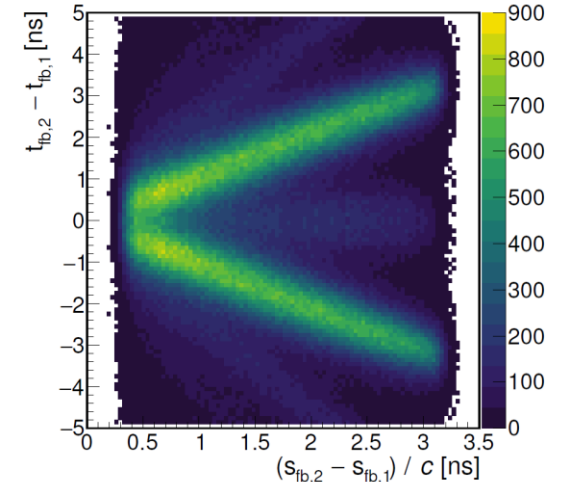
Performance Study (Simulation)

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

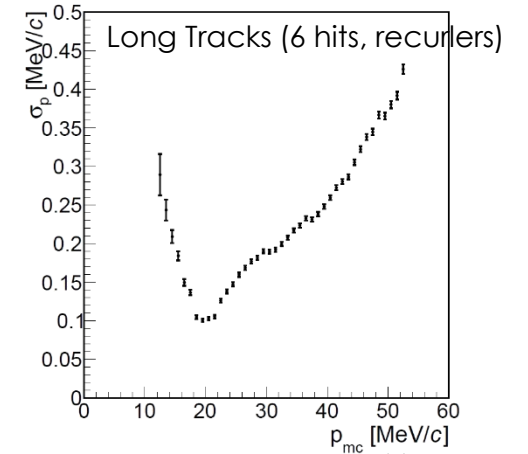
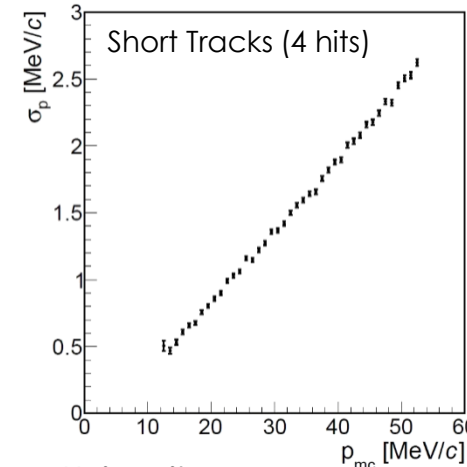
Mu3e Phase I Simulation



Ratio of reconstructed long vs short tracks

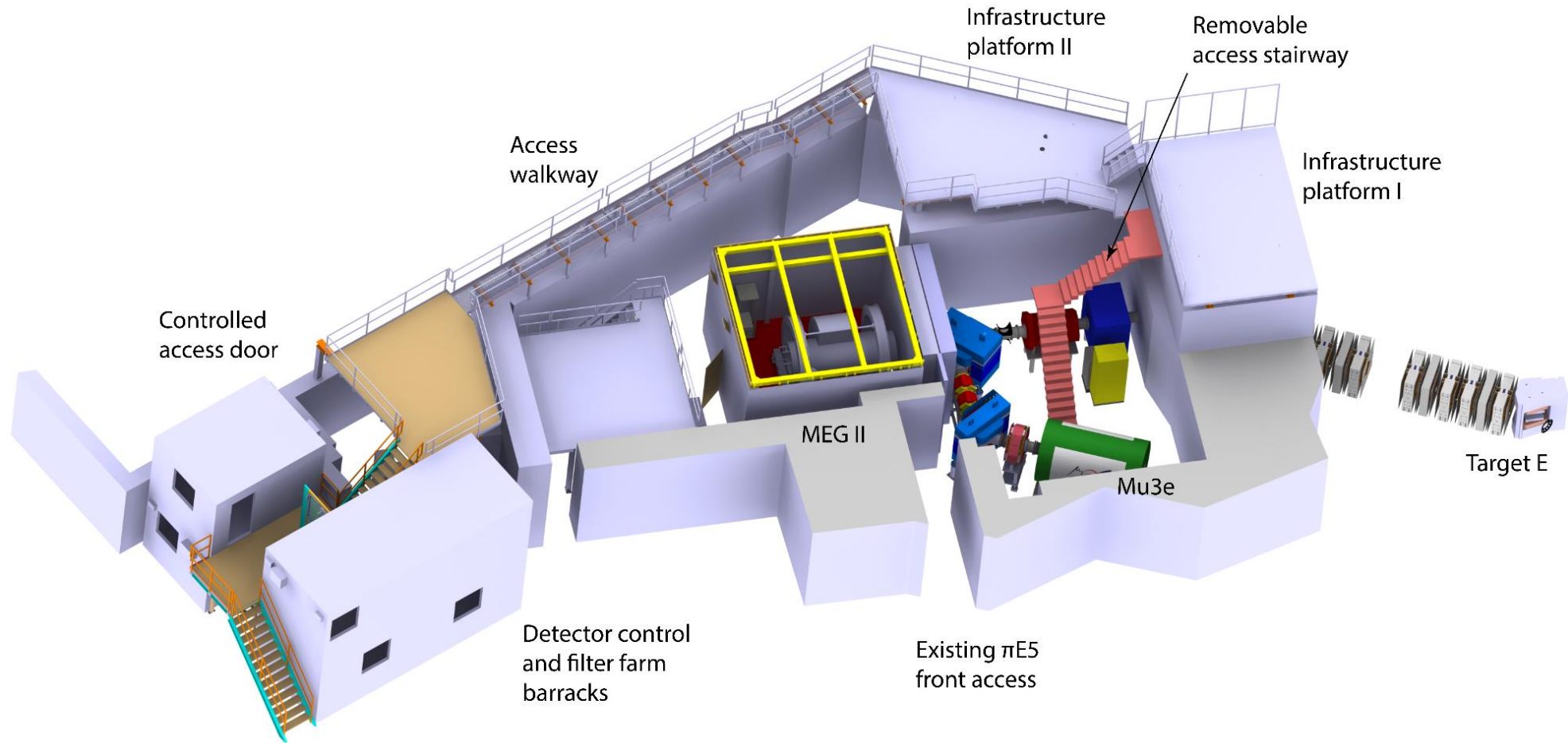


Time information used for charge assignment





Experimental Area @ PSI





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

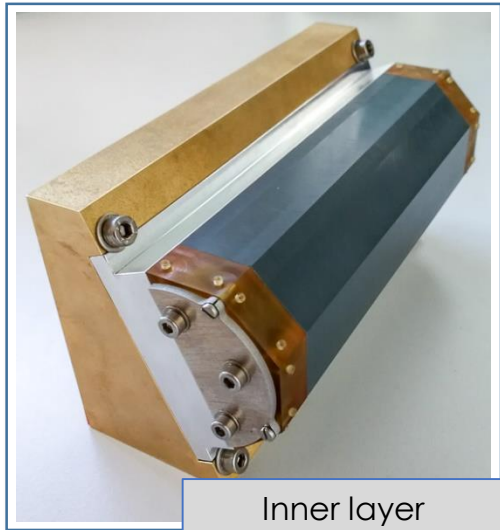
[†] CERN-LHCC-2012-016 ; CMS-TDR-11

^{*} arXiv:1211.4494v1

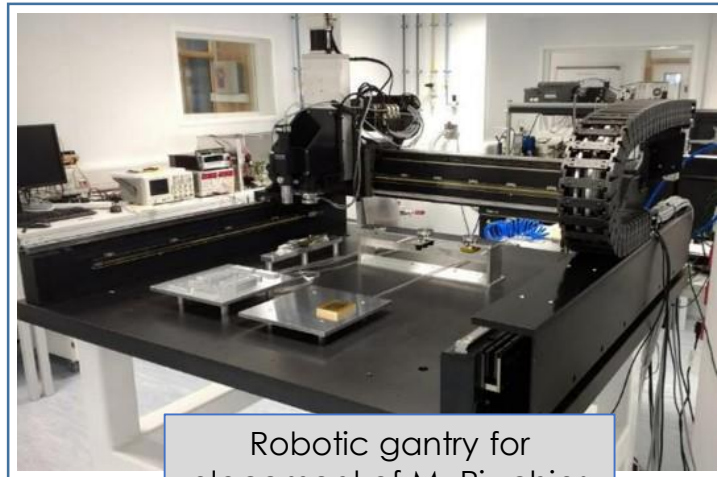
[◊] talk by G. Contin at PIXEL 2016

[△] talk by C. Koffmane at PIXEL 2016

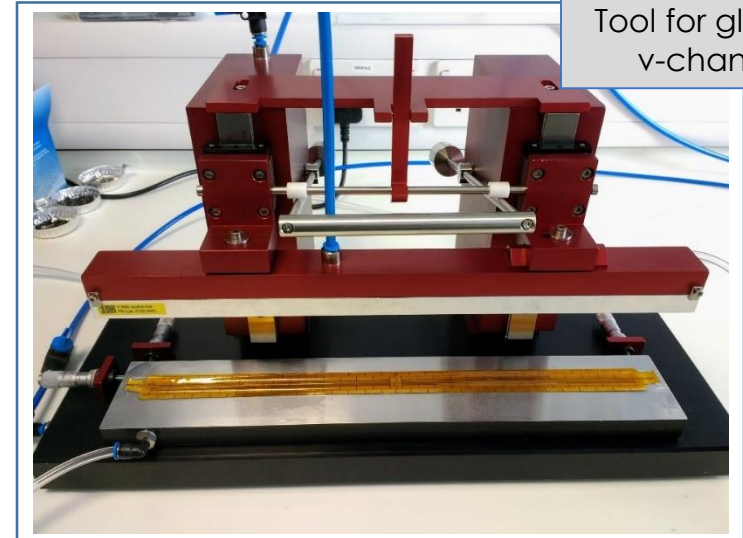
Development of Tooling



Inner layer assembly tool



Robotic gantry for placement of MuPix chips on vacuum jig



Tool for gluing of v-channels

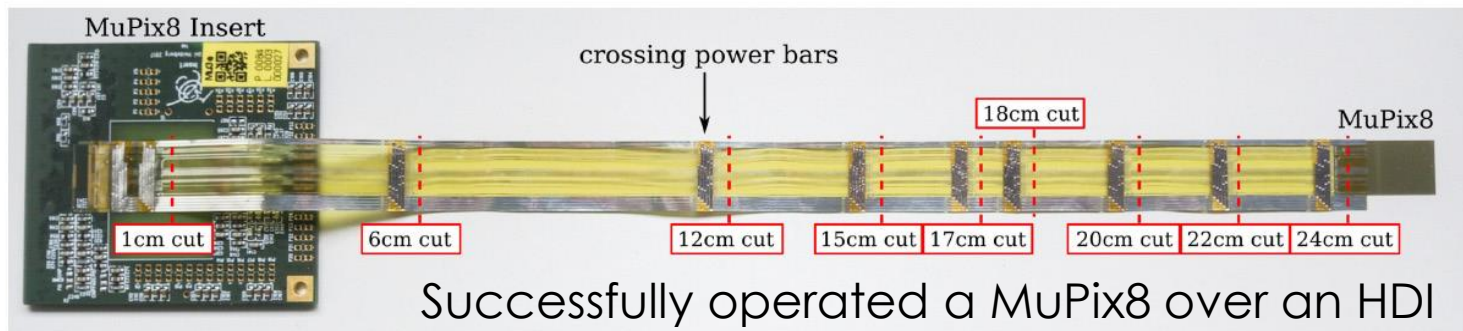
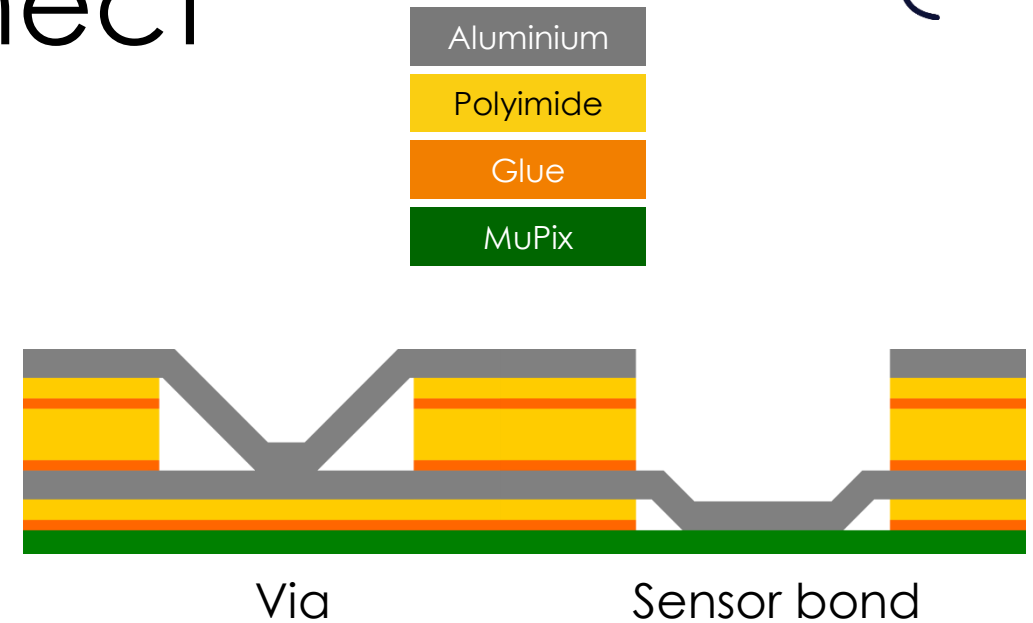


Glue dispensing robot



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

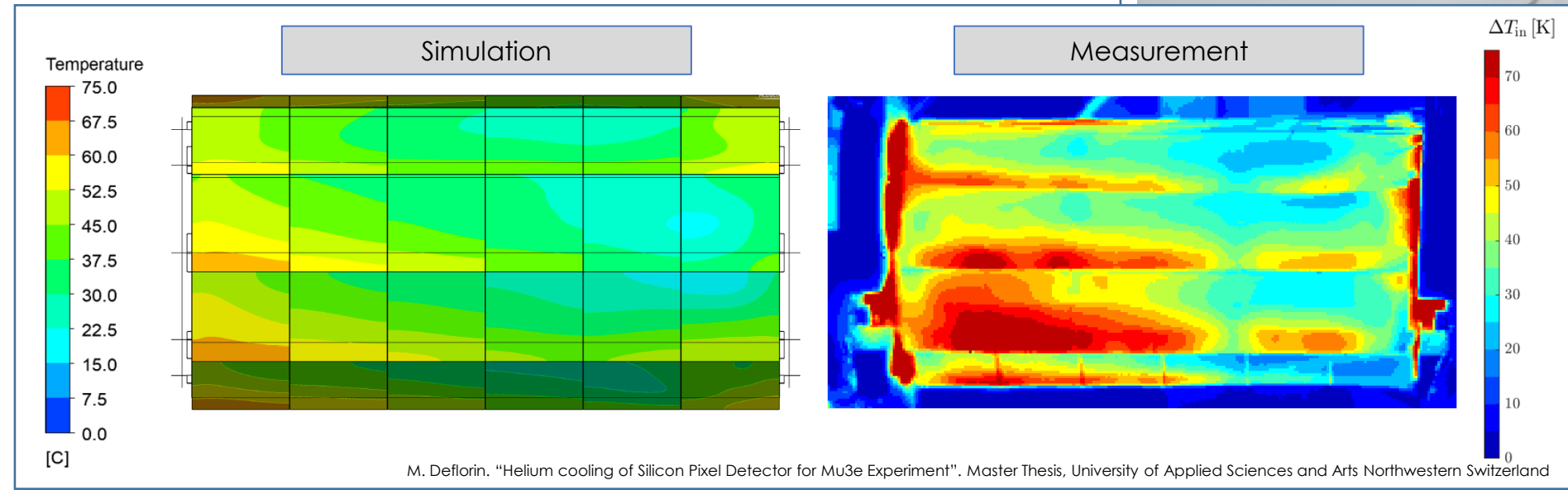
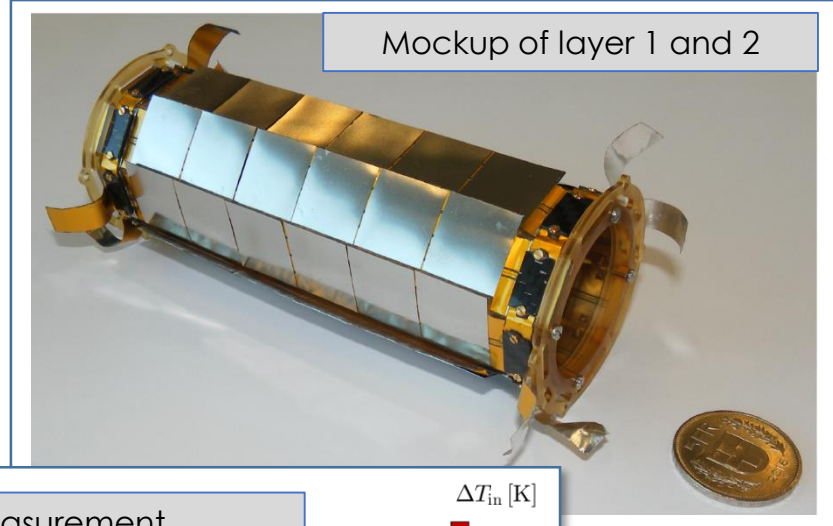


Material budget
45 μm Polyimide
+ 28 μm Aluminium
+ 10 μm Glue

~ 0.5‰ X_0

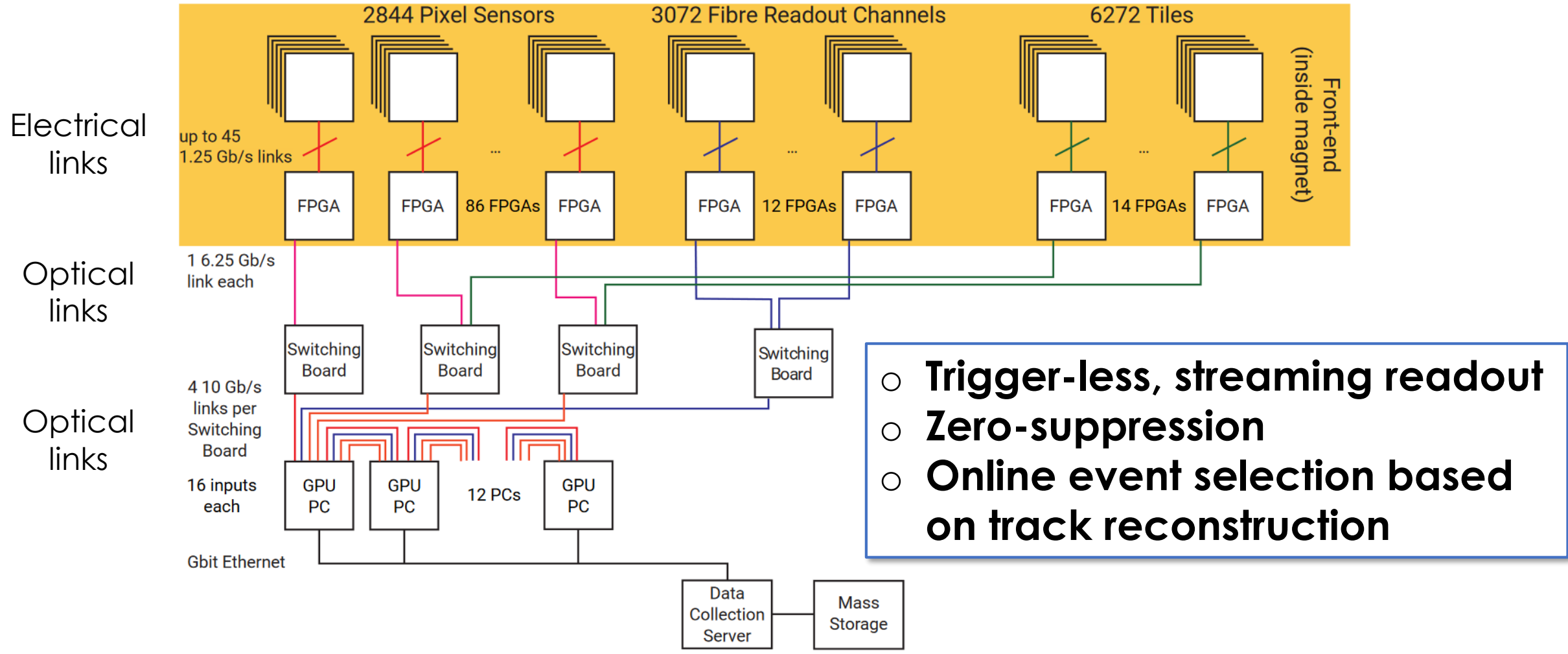
Thermo-Mechanical Mockup

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





The Mu3e Readout Concept

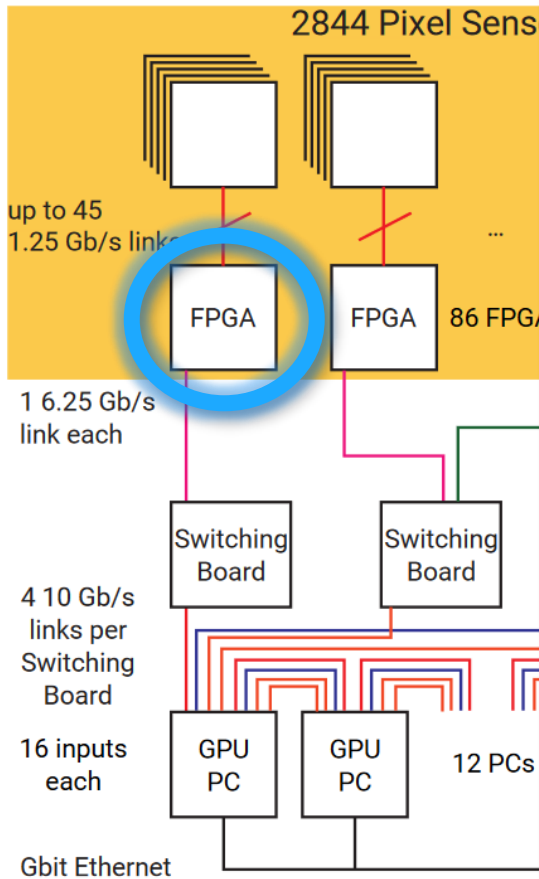


The Mu3e Readout Concept

Electrical links

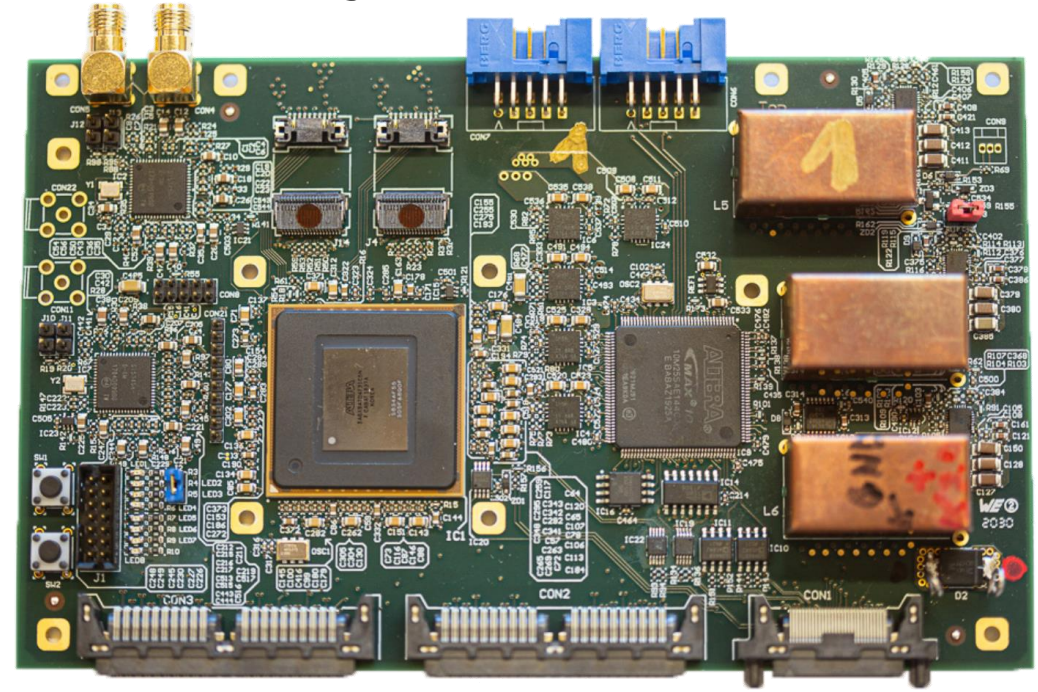
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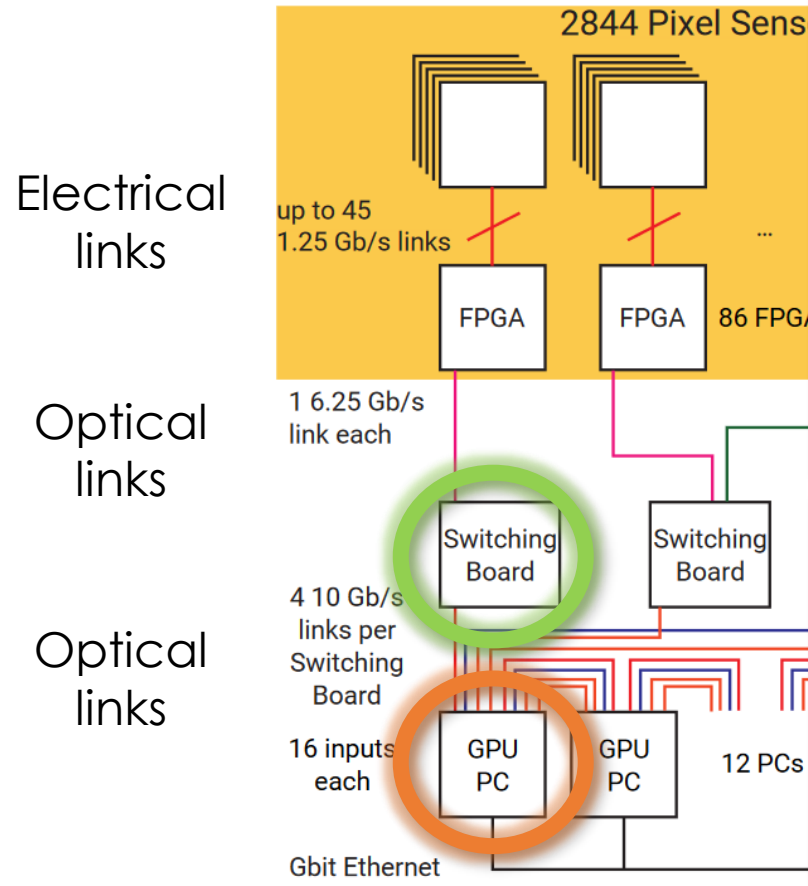


The Front-end Board

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



The Mu3e Readout Concept



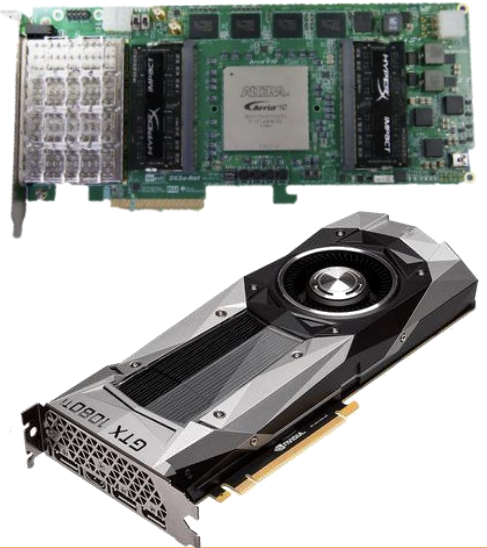
The Switching Board

- **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





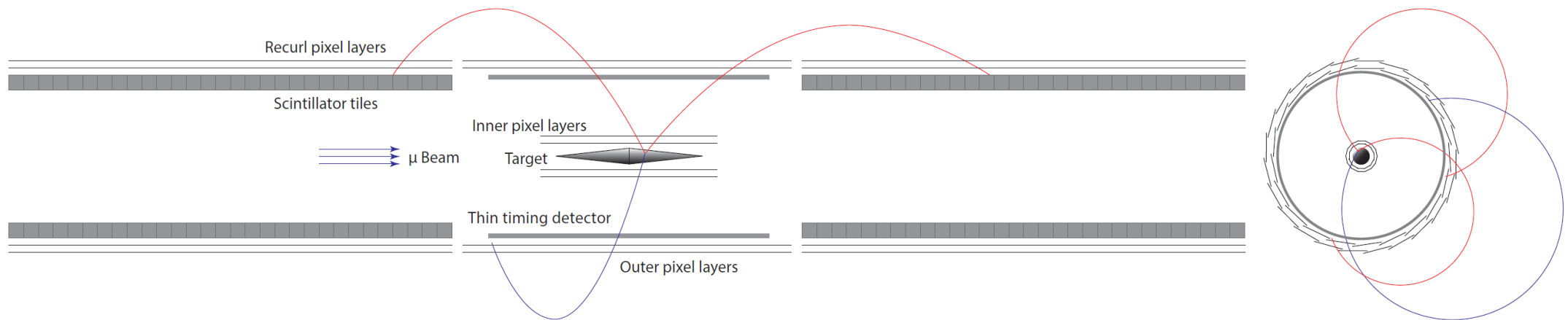
And what's beyond Phase I?

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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



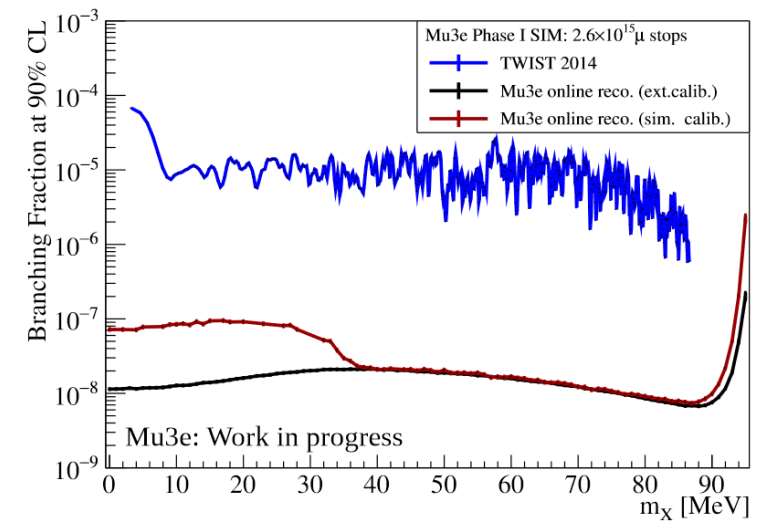
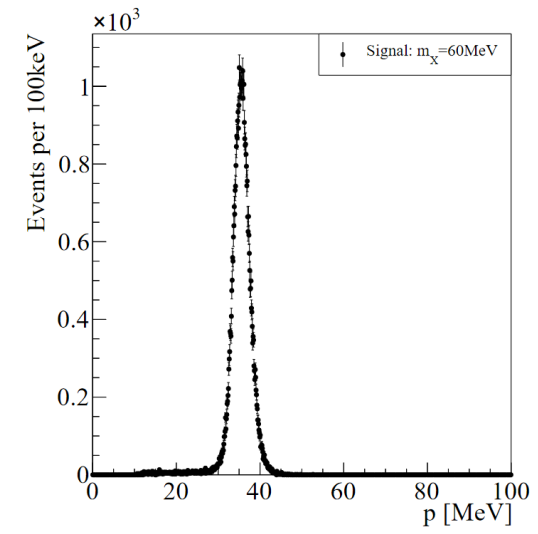
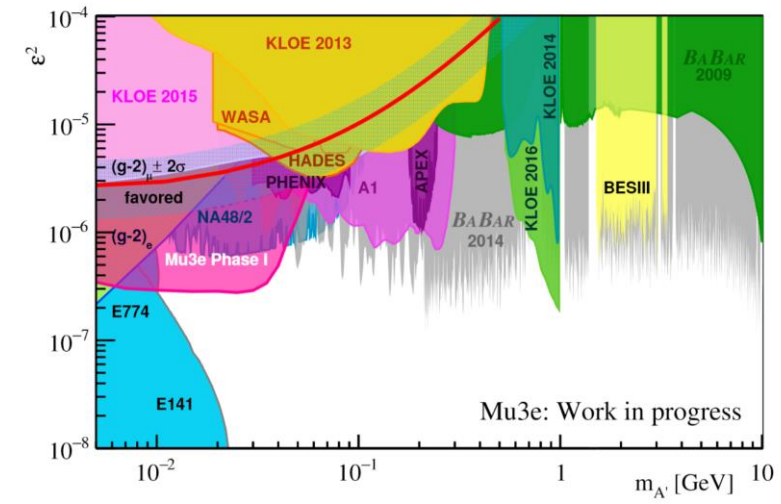
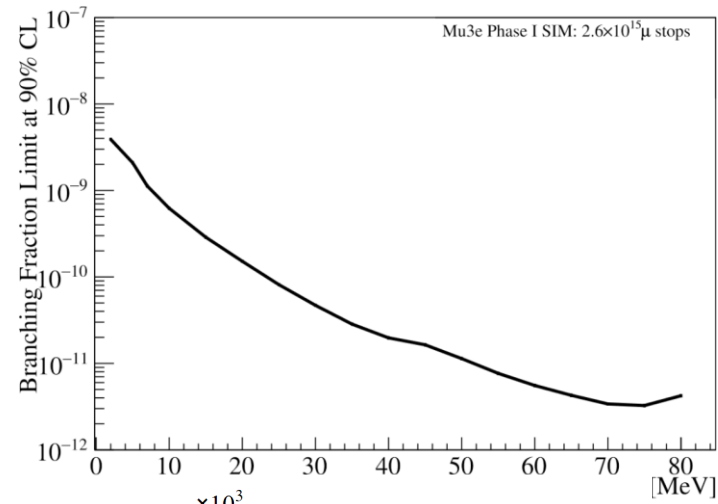


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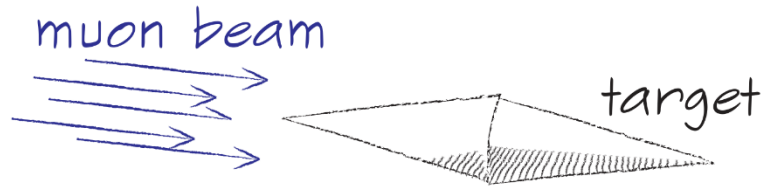
Potential other Physics Searches

- 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^+



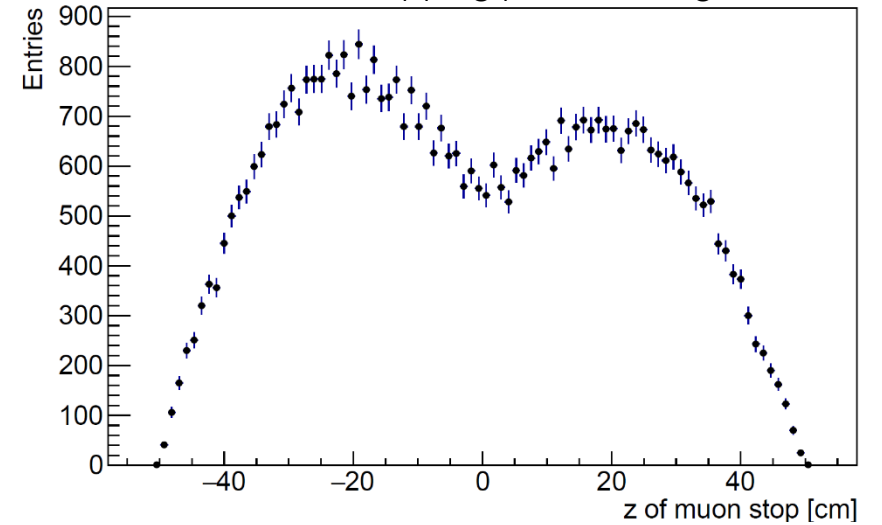
Inside 1 T magnetic field



Stopping target prototype



Simulation of stopping power of target



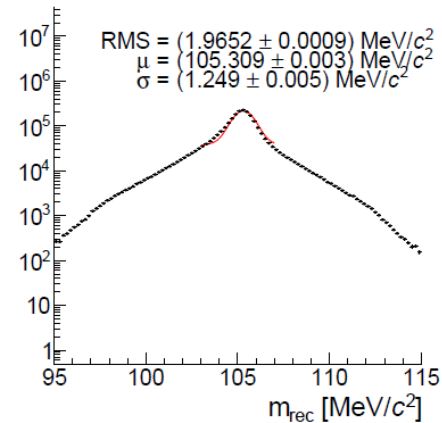
Mylar target

- Front 70 μm
- Back 80 μm
- Length 100 mm
- Radius 19 mm

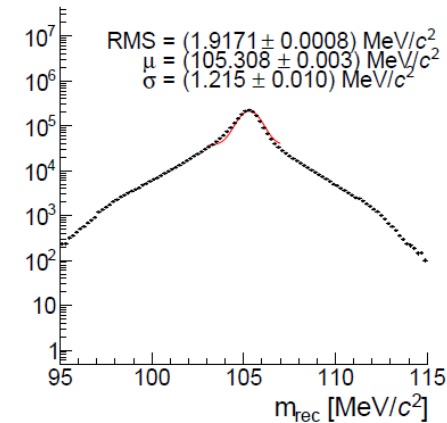


Simulation: reconstructed muon mass

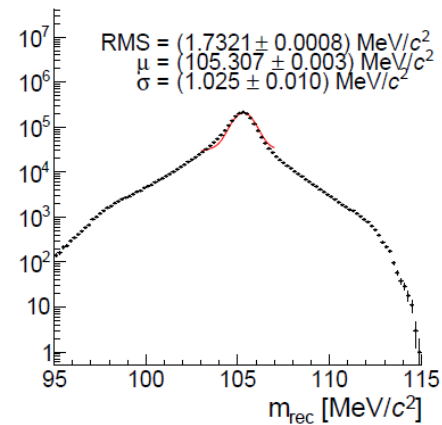
Mu3e Phase I Simulation, all tracks



Mu3e Phase I Simulation, ≥ 1 r ecurler



Mu3e Phase I Simulation, ≥ 2 recurlers



Mu3e Phase I Simulation, 3 recurlers

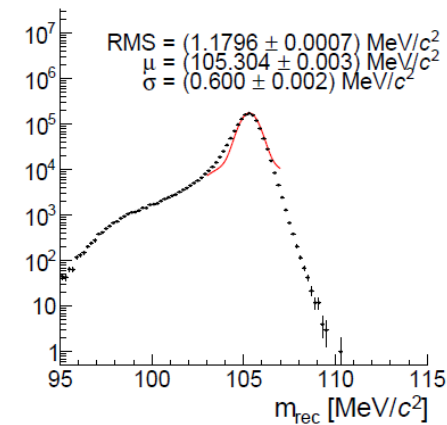


Figure 22.5: Reconstructed muon mass for all tracks (top left), at least one recurler (top right), at least two recurlers (bottom left) and three recurlers (bottom right). The fits are the sum of two Gaussian distributions and the quoted σ is the area-weighted mean; the main purpose of the fit is to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

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

