

The Search for Charged Lepton-Flavour Violation with the Mu3e Experiment

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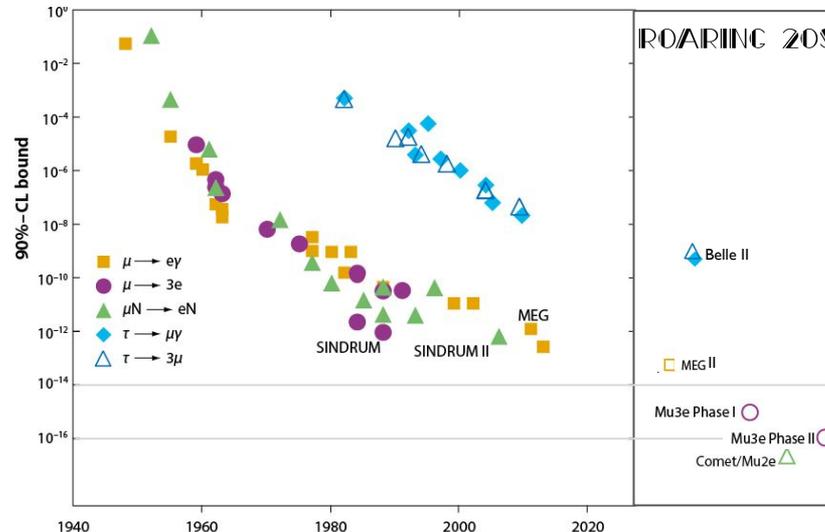
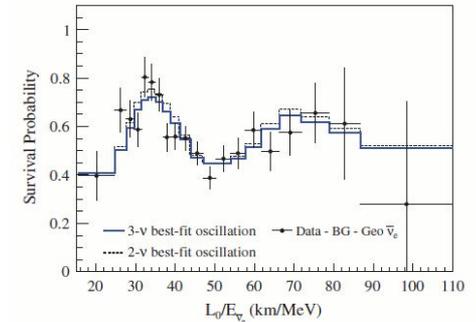
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4 orders-of-magnitude for
new physics searches!
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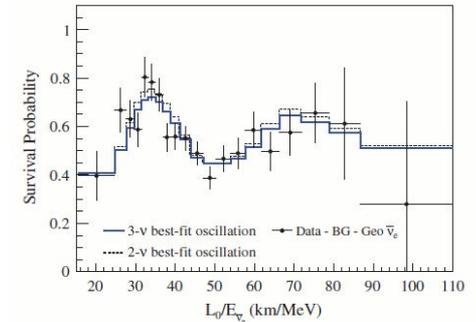
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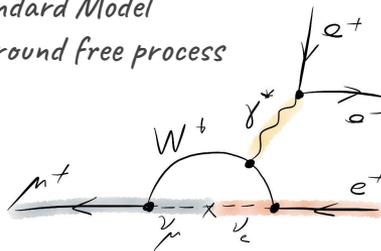
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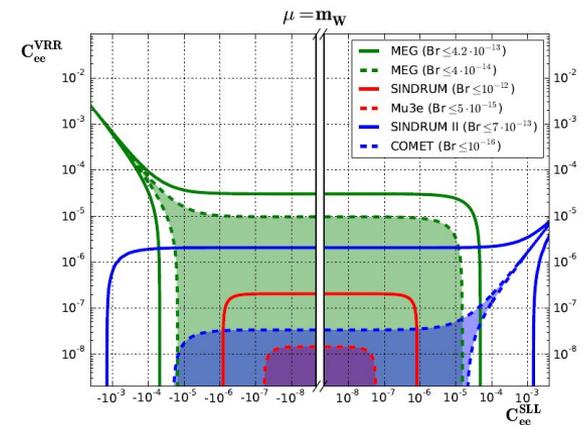
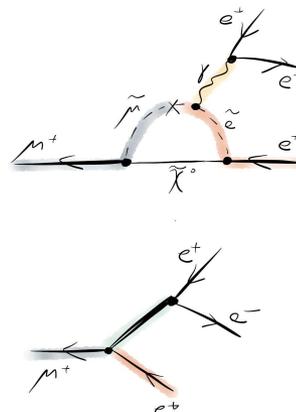


A Standard Model
Background free process



$$BR(SM) < 10^{-54}$$

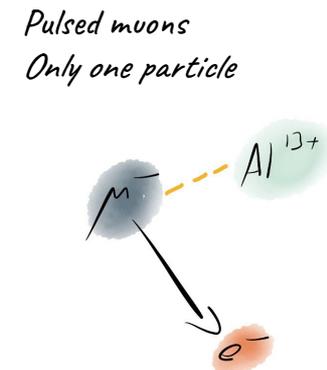
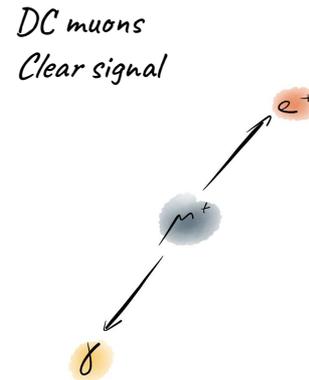
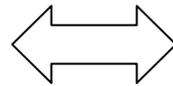
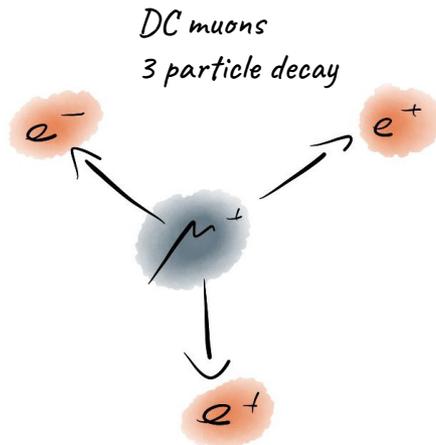
Sensitive to loop and tree/contact level new interactions



Renormalisation-group improved analysis of $\mu \rightarrow e$ processes in a systematic effective-field-theory approach. [arXiv:1702.03020v3](https://arxiv.org/abs/1702.03020v3)

$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^-$ & the Mu3e experiment

Detecting $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^-$ for muon decay at rest:



- Common vertex
- Time coincident
- $\sum E = m_\mu$
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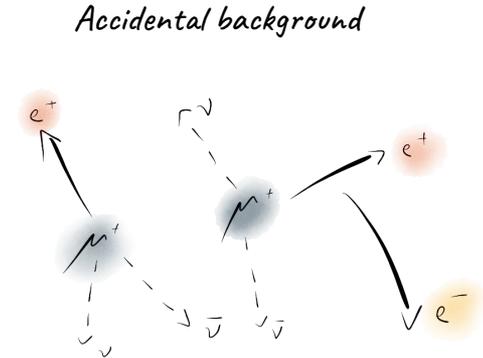
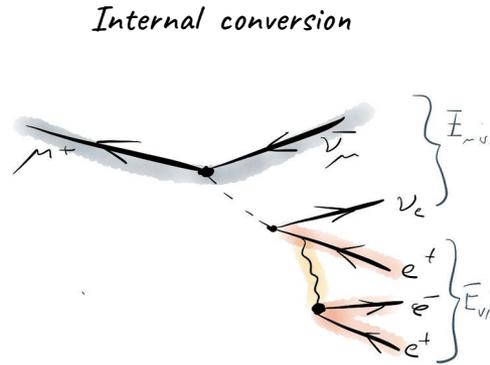
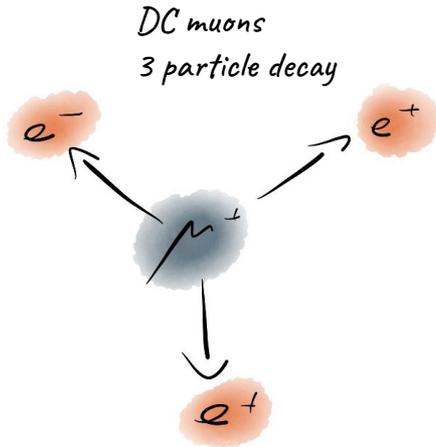
- Mono-energetic e^+ and γ
- back-back coincidence

- Mono-energetic e^-
- No coincidence

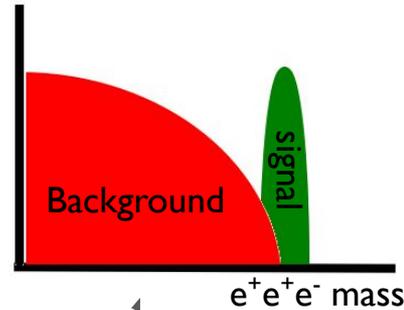
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~~Pulsed muons~~



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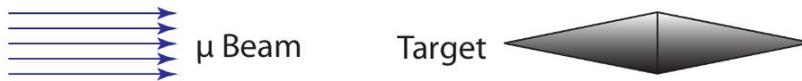


- Michel decay positrons + electron from:
- Bhabha scattering
 - Photon conversion
 - Misreconstruction

Our detector needs:

- \triangleright Excellent momentum resolution
- \triangleright Good time and vertex resolution
- \triangleright High rate capability

Mu3e conceptual design

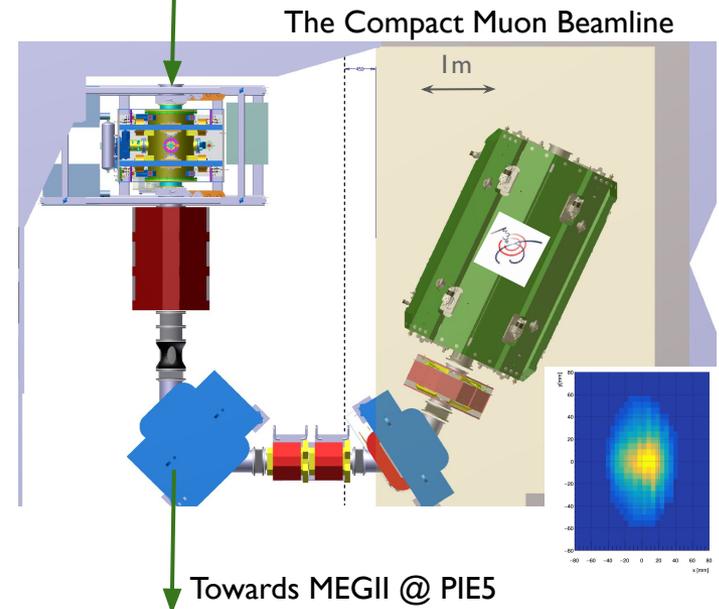


Target E

Beam Commissioning Comparison			
Rates	Collimator	QSM41	Mu3e
2021	$2.11 \cdot 10^8 \mu^+/\text{s}$	$1.2 \cdot 10^8 \mu^+/\text{s}$	$4.76 \cdot 10^7 \mu^+/\text{s}$
2022	$2.47 \cdot 10^8 \mu^+/\text{s}$	$1.8 \cdot 10^8 \mu^+/\text{s}$	$7.46 \cdot 10^7 \mu^+/\text{s}$

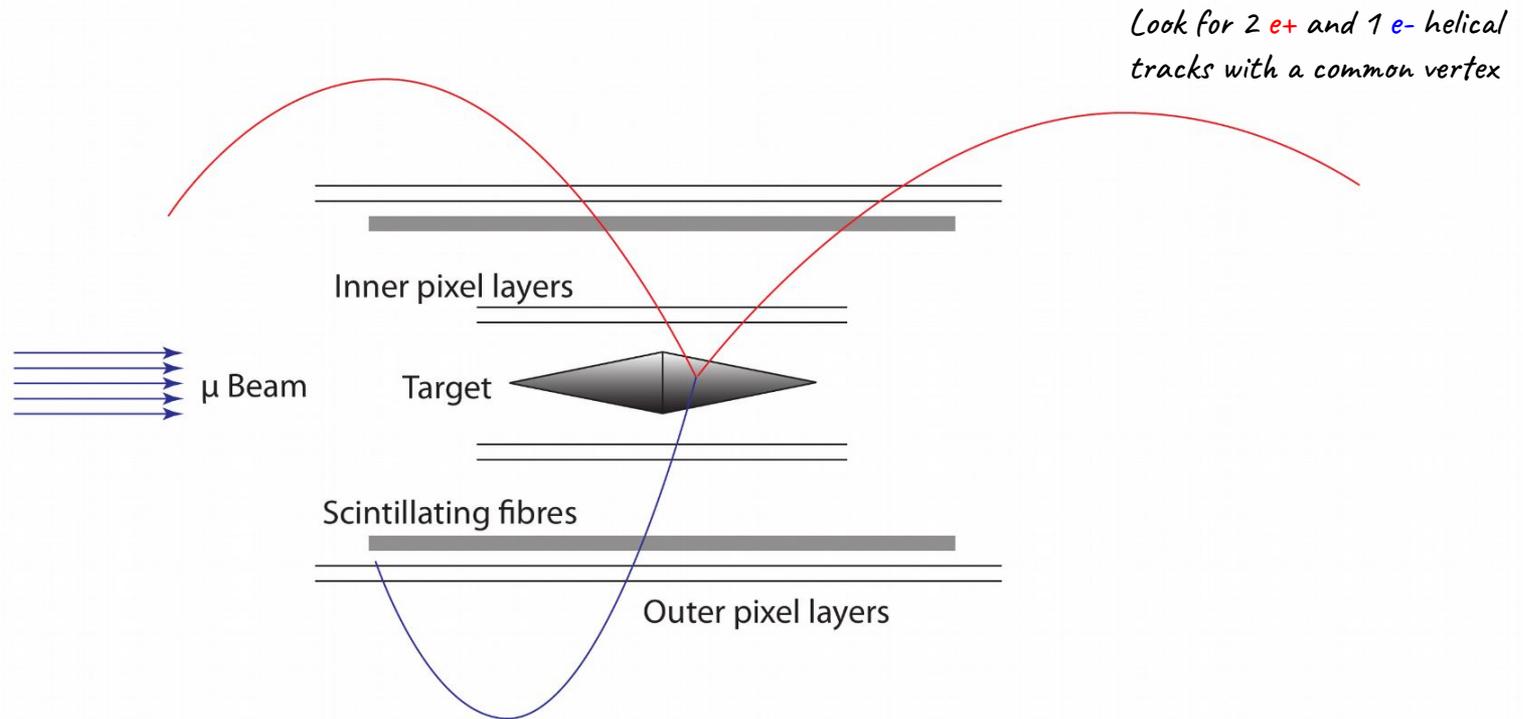
Table: All rates are normalised to 2.4 mA.

- ❑ 2.3 mA 600 MeV proton beam from HIPA at PSI
- ❑ $10^8 \mu^+/\text{s}$ (DC) at the $\pi E5$ area
- ❑ Stopped on a thin Mylar target



Towards MEGII @ PIE5

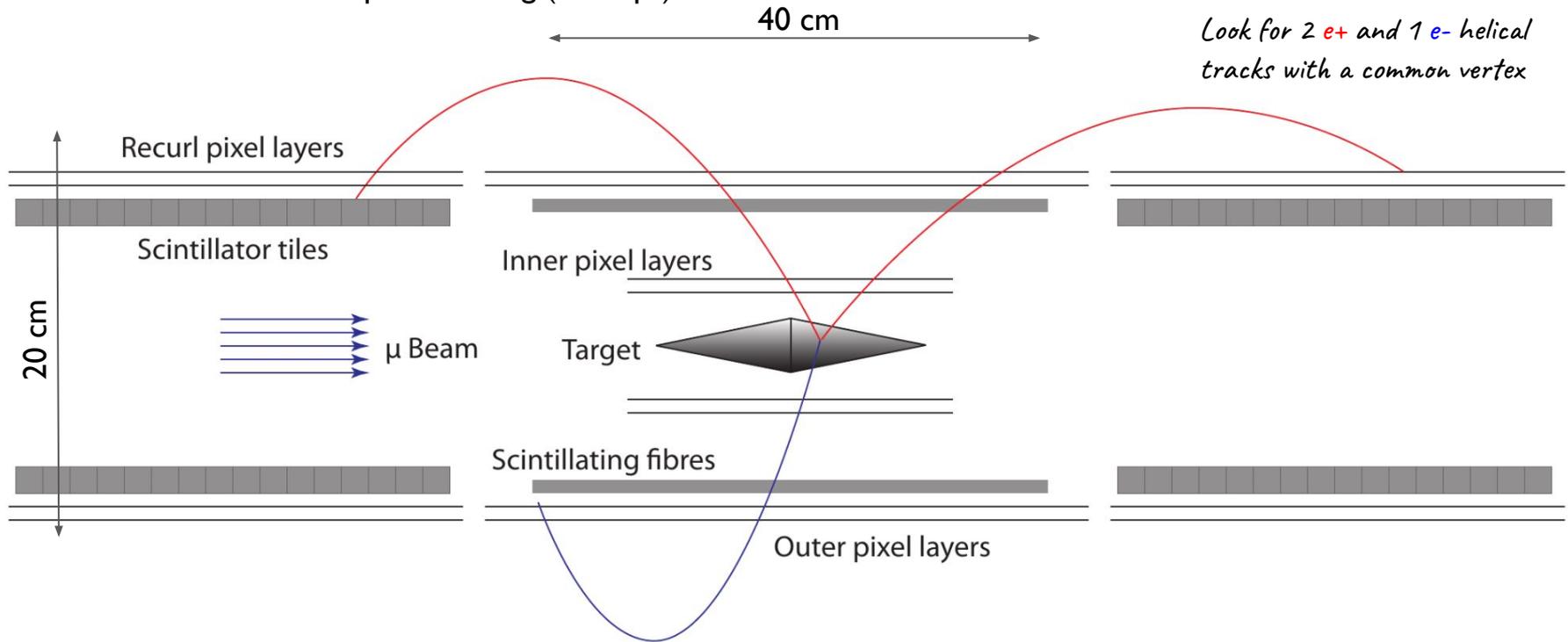
Mu3e conceptual design



- ❑ 1 T uniform magnetic field
- ❑ 2 layer vertex detector
- ❑ 2 outer pixel layers \rightarrow 3 hits to *start* a track see our dedicated fast track fitter: <https://arxiv.org/abs/1606.04990>
- ❑ Fibre detector for the track direction, i.e. differentiate e^+ from e^-

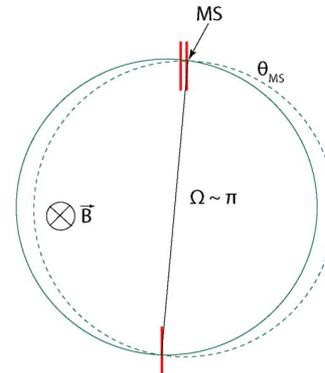
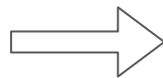
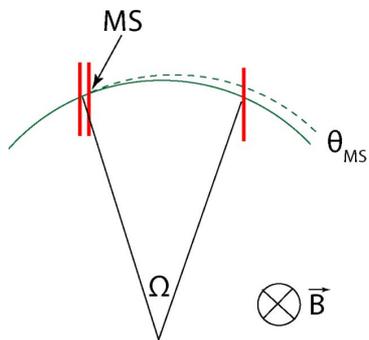
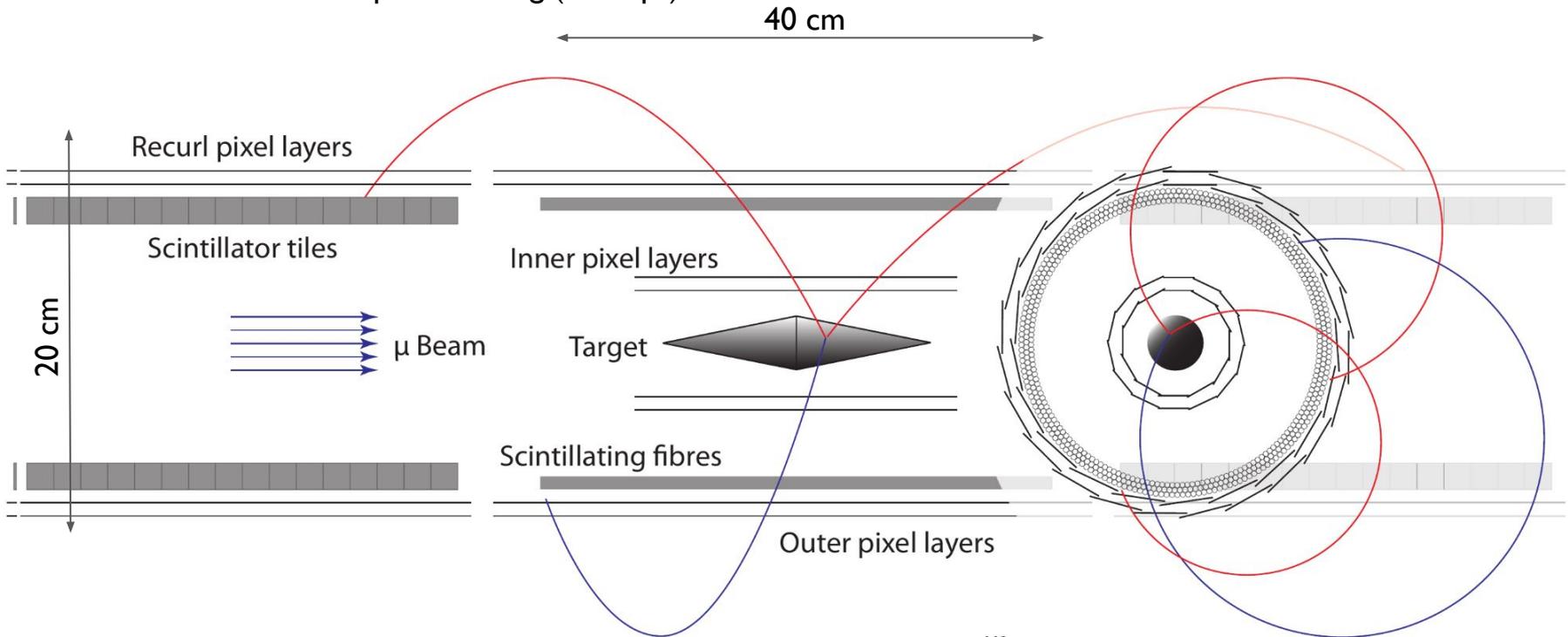
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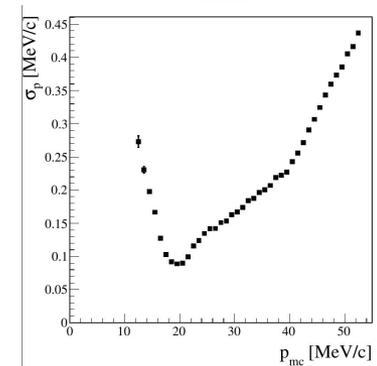


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In the **MS dominated regime**, a half-turn spectrometer provides optimal momentum resolution



Mu3e Detectors

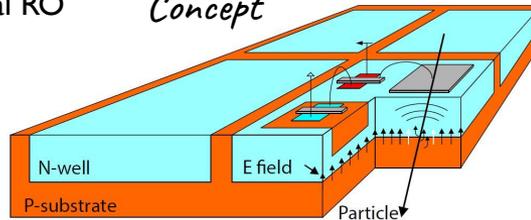


Lightweight pixel tracker build from High-Voltage Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors (HV-MAPS) called MuPix

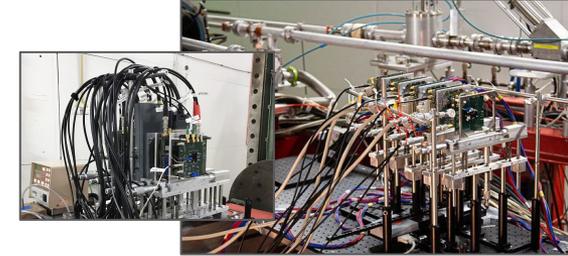
- ❑ Commercial HV-CMOS process
- ❑ Fast Charge collection
- ❑ Integrated analogue and digital RO
- ❑ Can be thinned to 50 μm
- ❑ 256x250 pixels

<https://arxiv.org/abs/1603.08751>
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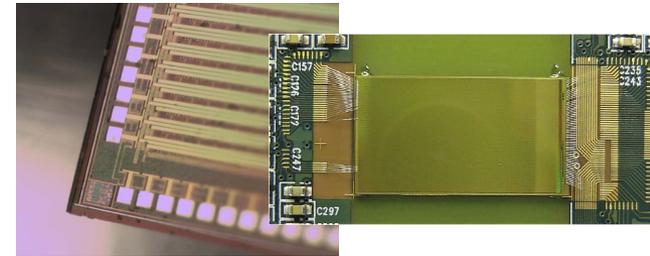
Concept



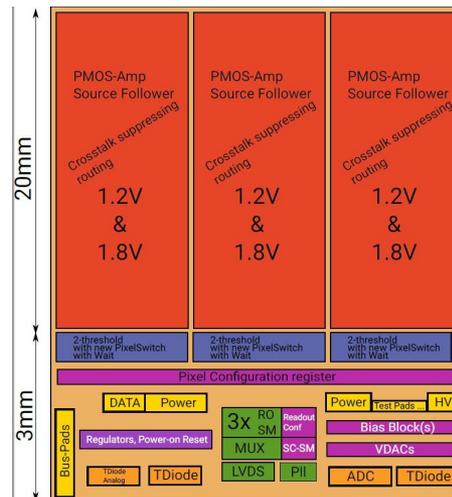
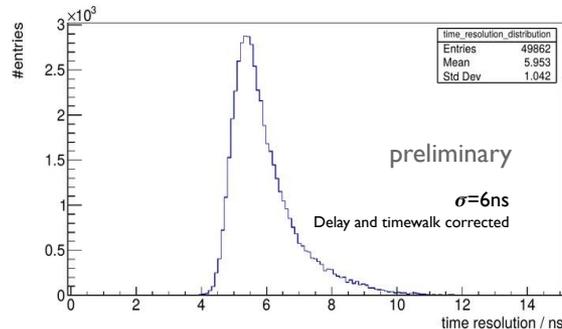
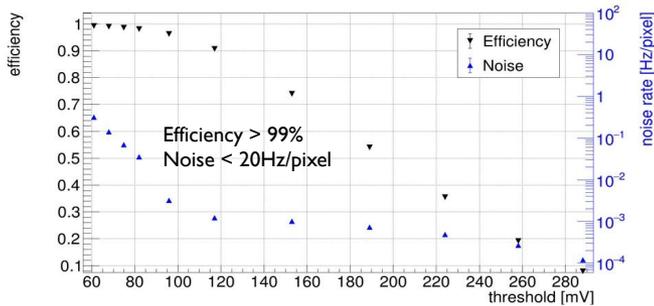
A decade of detector development and test beams



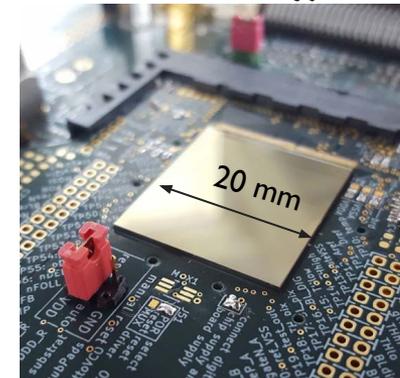
Prototyping MuPix ... → 9



50 μm MuPix10



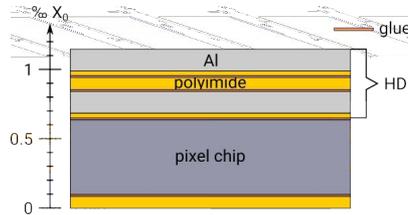
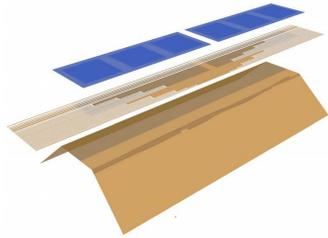
Full Chip: Mupix10 & MuPix11 (= debugged MuPix10)



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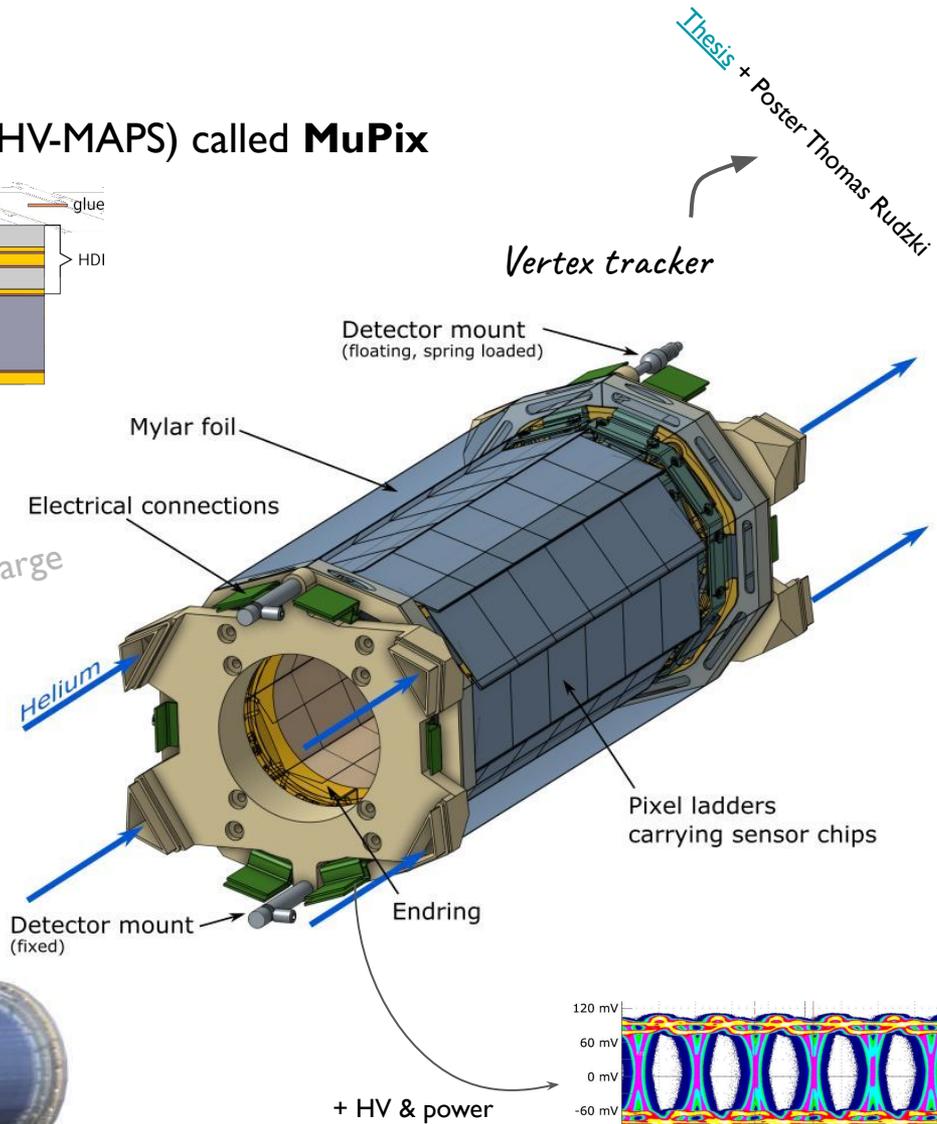
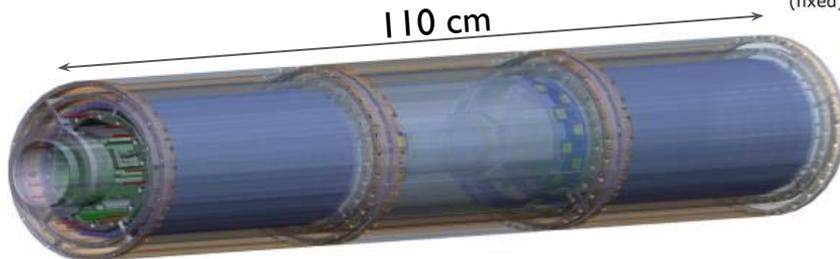
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Ladders from 50 μm of Si,
25 μm of Alu/Kapton flex, and
25 μm of kapton support.
→ ca. 0.1% of a radiation length!

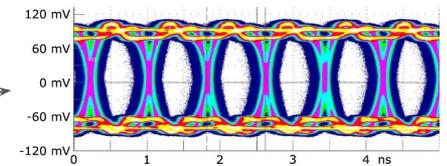


The is a compact but large pixel tracker!

- ❑ 2 vertex layers
- ❑ 3 * 2 outer layers
- ❑ 174 ladders
- ❑ 2844 2x2 cm² MuPiX chips
- ❑ 3060 1.25 Gb/s data links
- ❑ 50 g/s, 10m/s 5kW gaseous helium cooling



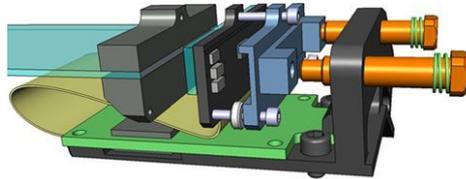
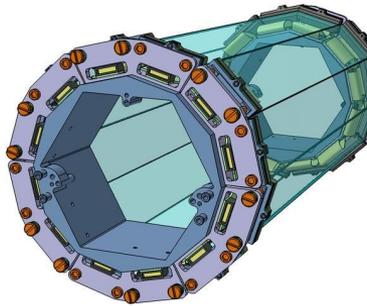
Thesis + Poster Thomas Rudzki



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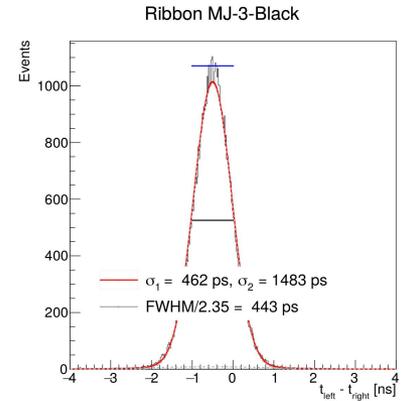
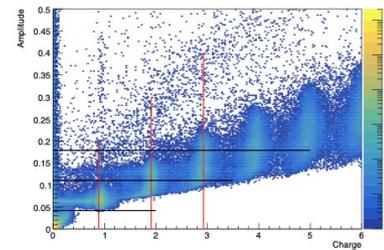
Timing detectors

- ❑ 12 ribbon - 3 layer scintillating fibre detector surrounding the vertex detector
- ❑ Highly granular tile detector under the recoil stations

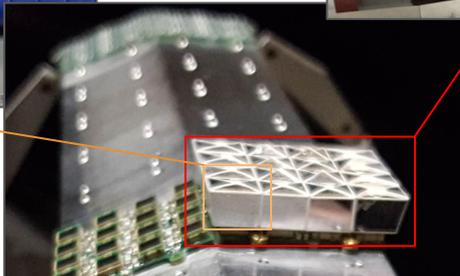


All fibre and pixel modules are spring loaded to compensate for thermal expansions.

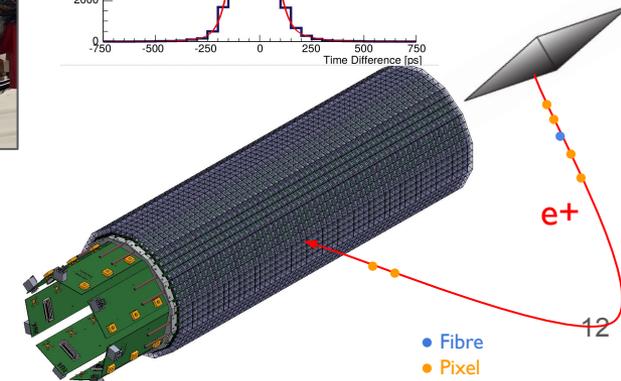
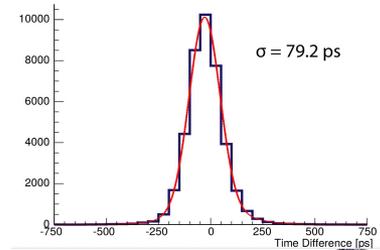
Operate fibre detector < p.e.



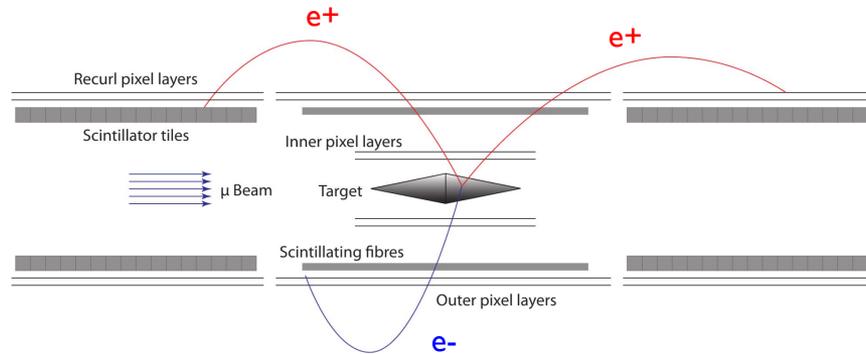
Both detectors use a custom readout chip called MuTrig



6272 tiles with plenty of light give us ca. 70 ps time resolution

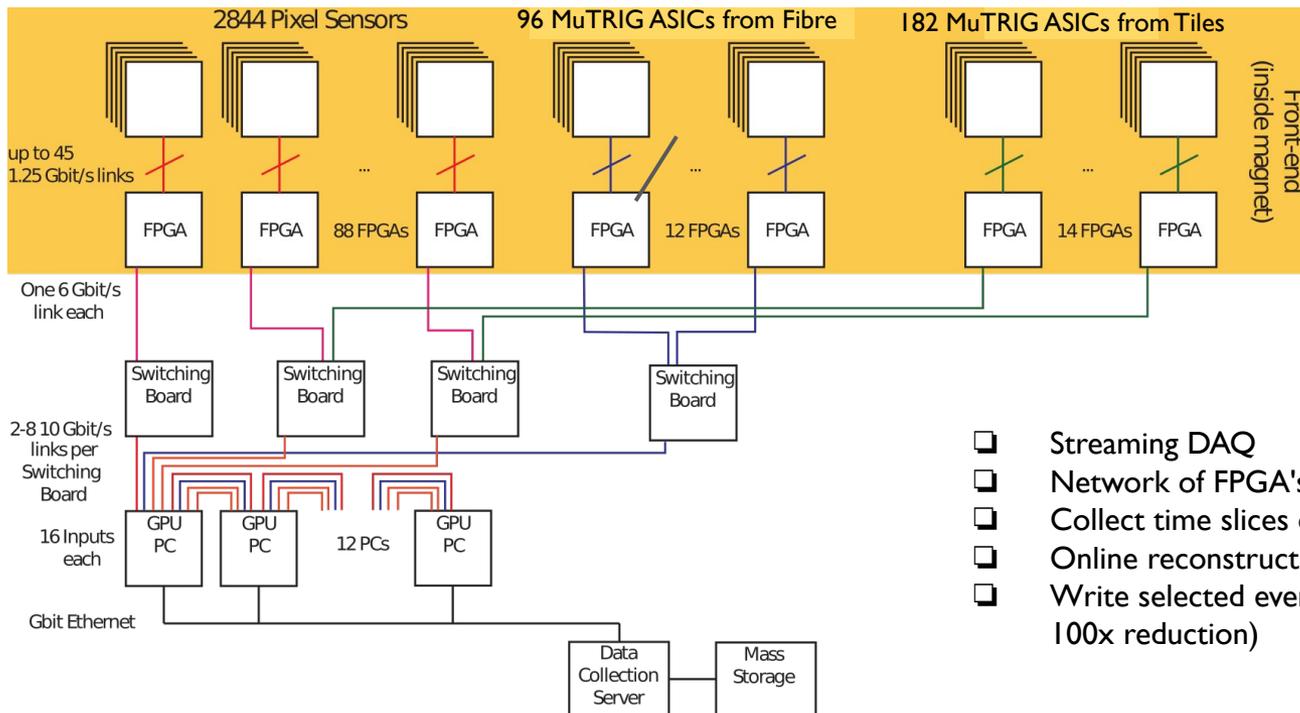


Mu3e DAQ



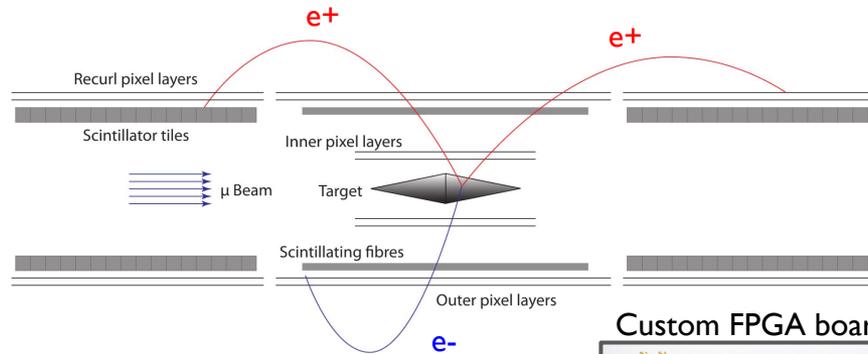
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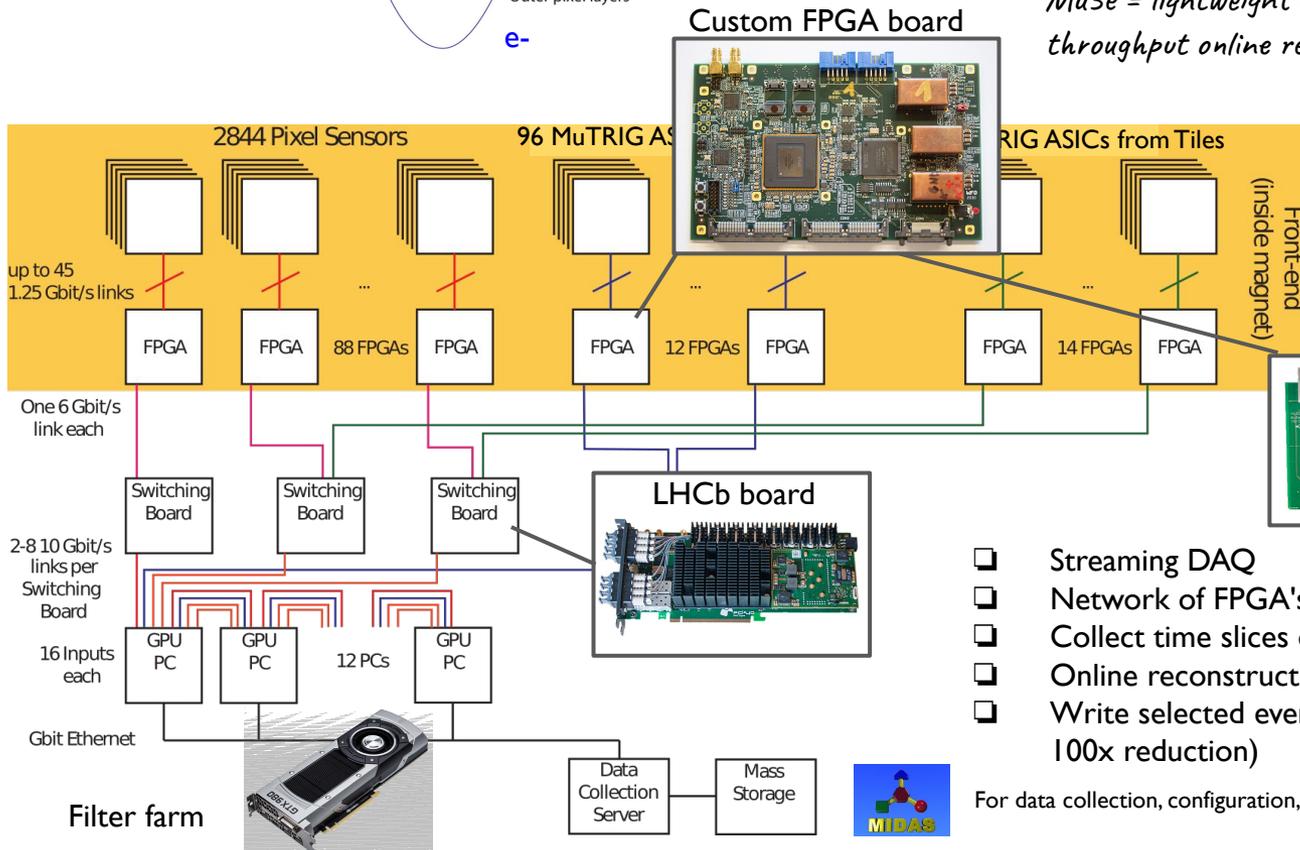
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The Mu3e Data Acquisition:

[arXiv:2010.15648v2](https://arxiv.org/abs/2010.15648v2)

Mu3e DAQ integration:
Poster Marius Köppel



Crate controllers integrated in the MIDAS (Slow Control) System

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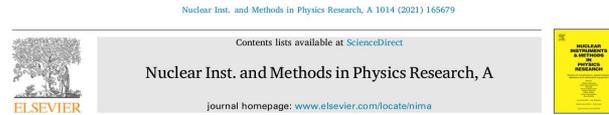
For data collection, configuration, monitoring, slow control, ...



Mu3e sensitivity

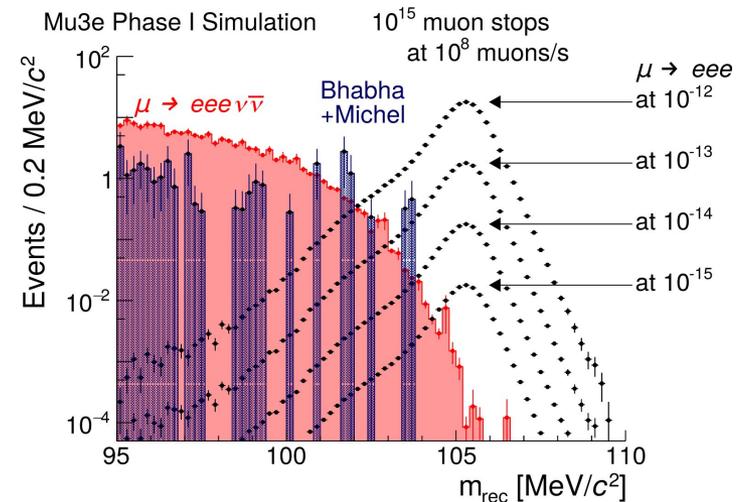
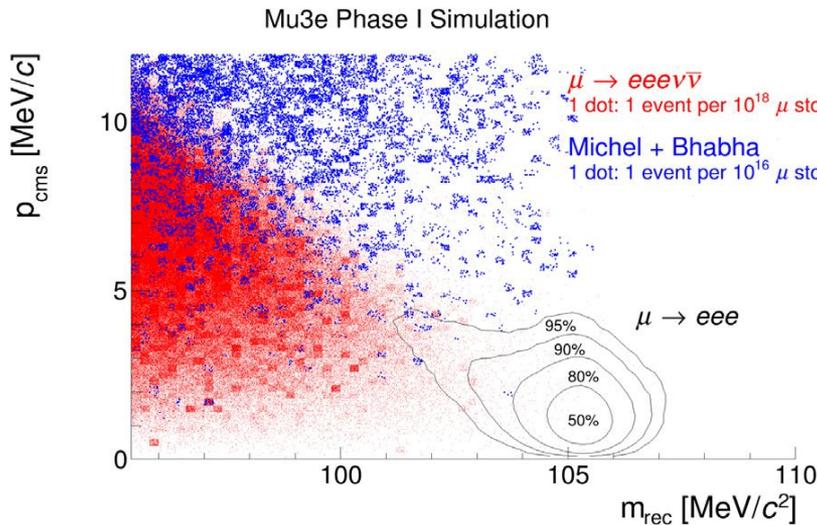
Based on full Monte Carlo simulation of the experiment, an analytical track fitter, and a lot of detector R&D, we claim that:

The **Mu3e Phase I** detector can achieve a $2 \cdot 10^{-15}$ SES on $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^-$



Technical design of the phase I Mu3e experiment

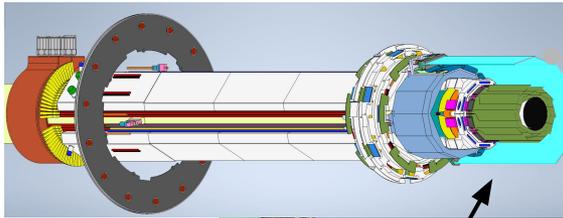
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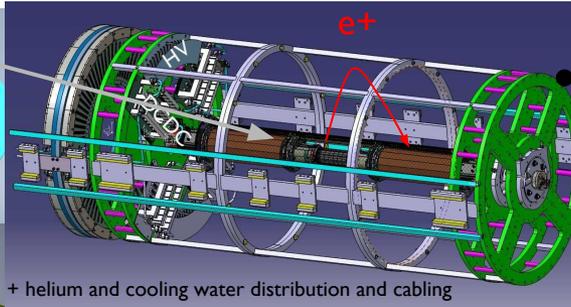
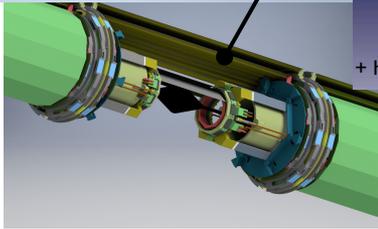
Mu3e detector construction & commissioning

All sensors/components work to specs

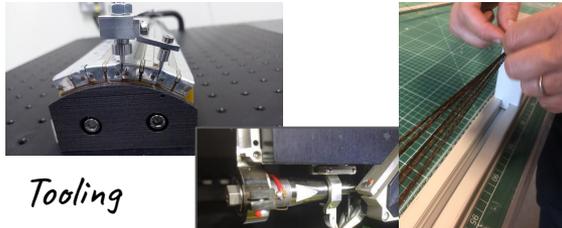
→ We have to build a very compact/complex detector (+ services + DAQ)



Detailed CAD



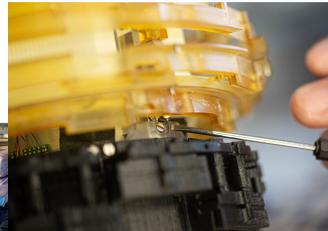
+ helium and cooling water distribution and cabling



Tooling design

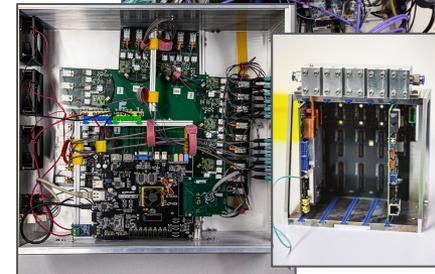
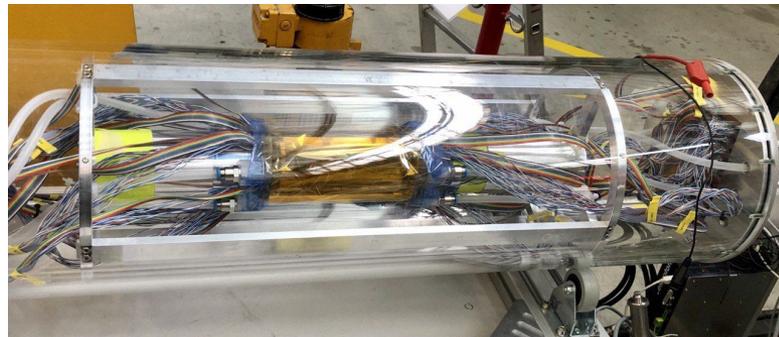
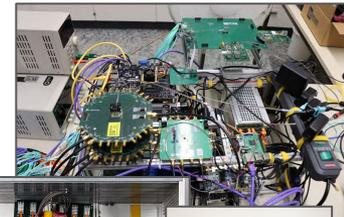


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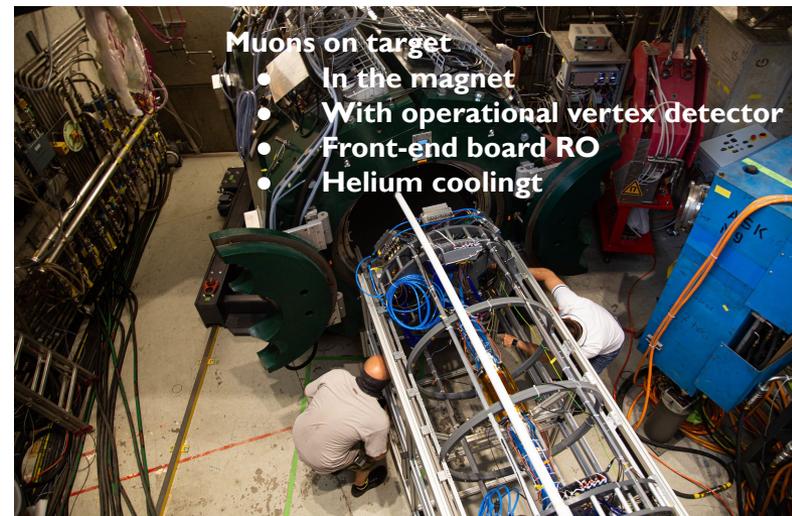
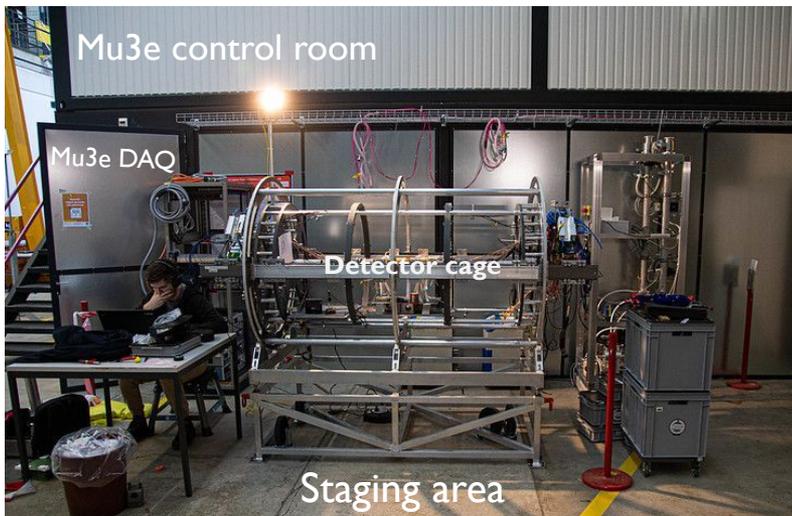
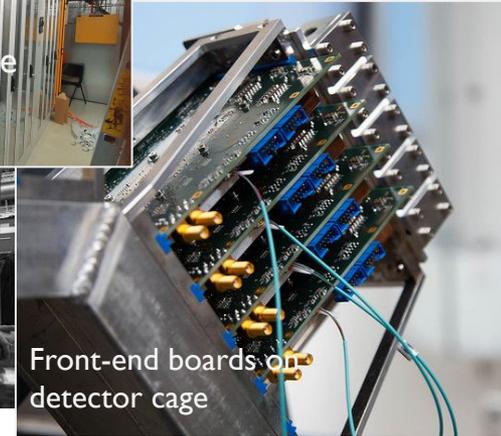
PCB design, firmware development, GPU programming,

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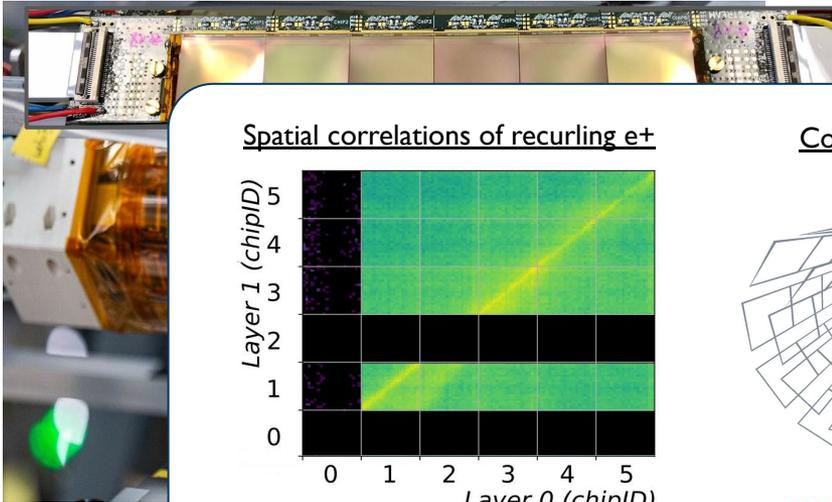
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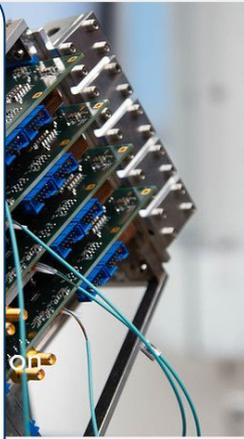


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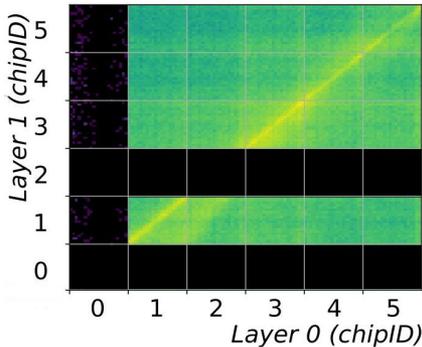
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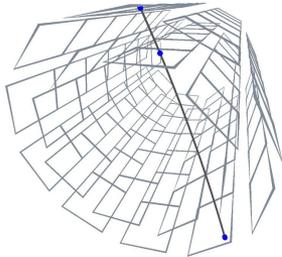




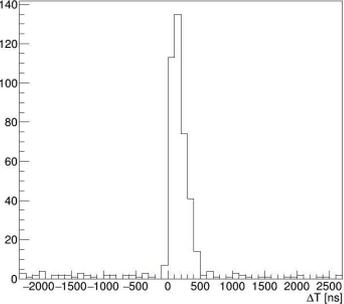
Spatial correlations of recurring e⁺



Cosmic tracks



Synchronize SciFi & Pixel detector



The DAQ of the Mu3e Integration Runs

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The first pit

- Mariusus Koepffel (JGU Mainz)
- 19 October 2022 16:26
- WHGA / Foyer and Tent (PSI)

The Mu3e Cosmic Run 2022

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- Martin Müller (JGU Mainz, Institute for Nuclear Physics)
- 18 October 2022 16:41
- WHGA / Foyer and Tent (PSI)

The Mu3e vertex detector - prototyping, cooling, and upcoming production

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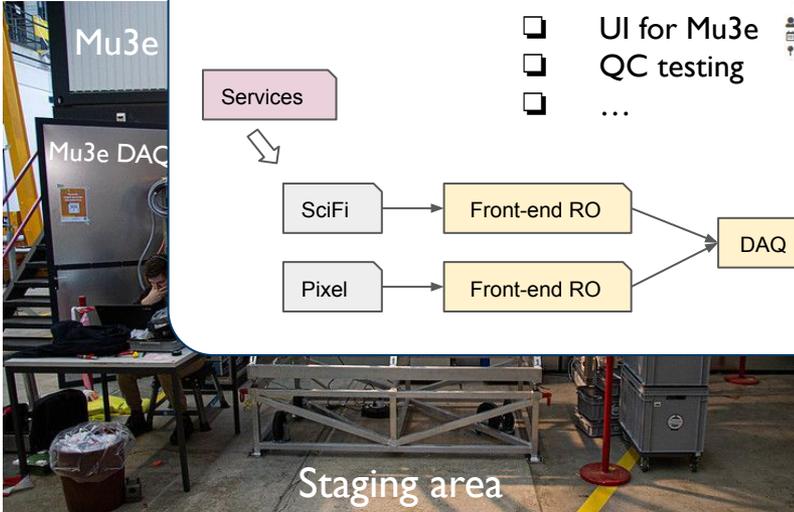
- Thomas Theodor Rutzki (Physikalisches Institut Heidelberg)
- 18 October 2022 17:12
- WHGA / Foyer and Tent (PSI)

Services

- UI for Mu3e
- QC testing
- ...

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    graph LR
      SciFi[SciFi] --> FE1[Front-end RO]
      Pixel[Pixel] --> FE2[Front-end RO]
      FE1 --> DAQ[DAQ]
      FE2 --> DAQ
      DAQ --> Analysis[Analysis]
    
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Staging area



Mu3e services

Inside a 2.7mx1m magnet bore

Partition type (ASIC)	Total Power including DC-DC losses [W]
Pixel(MuPIX)	
layer 1	102
layer 2	128
layer 3	2660
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Fibre(MuTRiG)	153
Tile(MuTRiG)	291
Front-end board	2800
Total	9370

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Power distribution system with powerful custom DC-DC converters that work in a 1T magnetic field



The Power Distribution System for the Mu3e Experiment

The Mu3e experiment under construction at the Paul Scherrer Institute, Switzerland, aims to search for the lepton flavour violating decay of a muon into one electron and two positrons with an ultimate sensitivity of one in 10^{16} S

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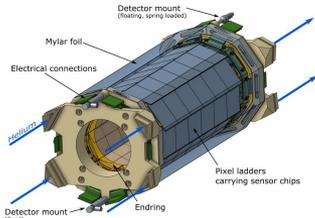
50% Gaseous helium cooling



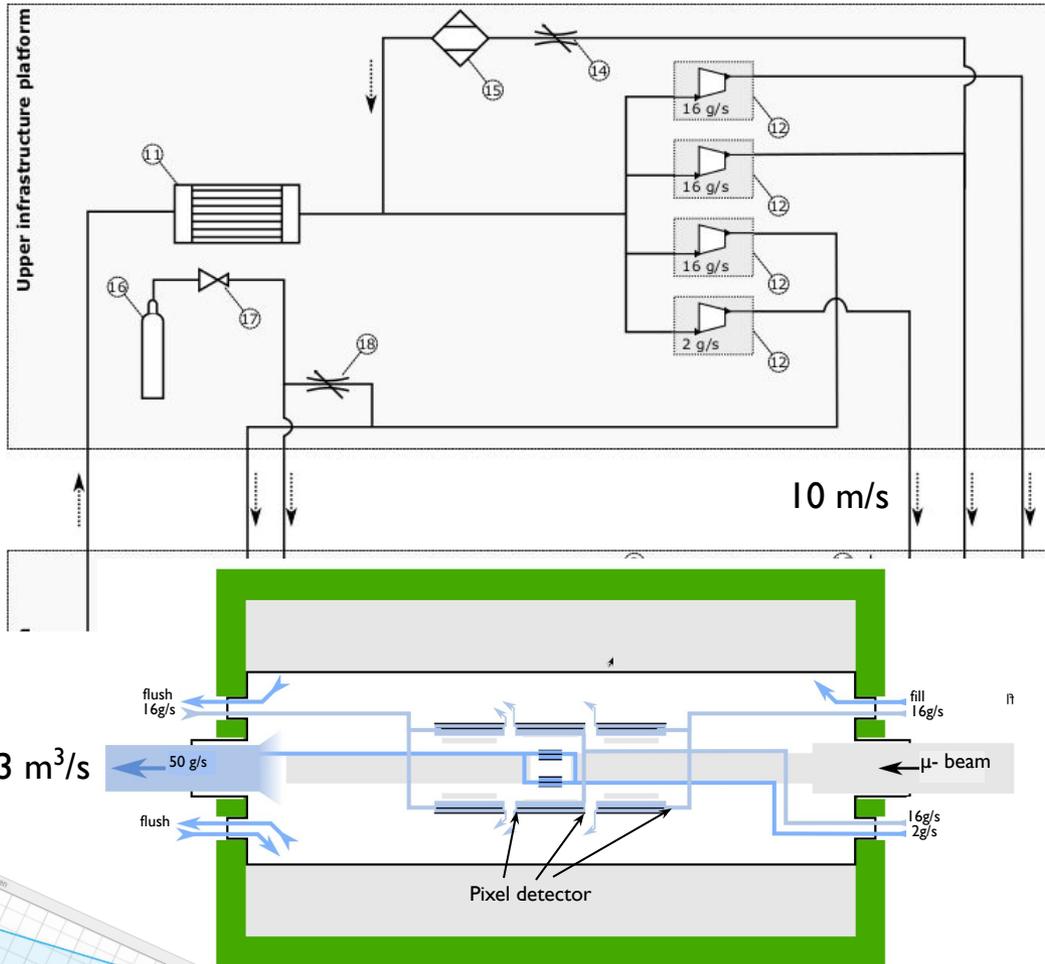
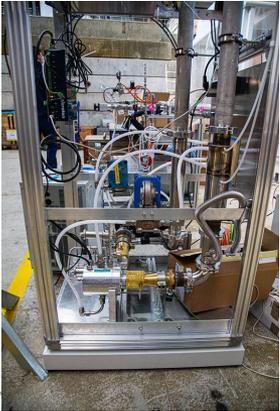
Mu3e services

250 mW/cm² MuPix chips → Novel 50 g/s, 5 kW helium cooling system

Cooling channels run in the active area of the detector!

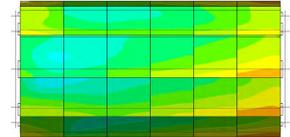


2 g/s operated of 3 months this spring

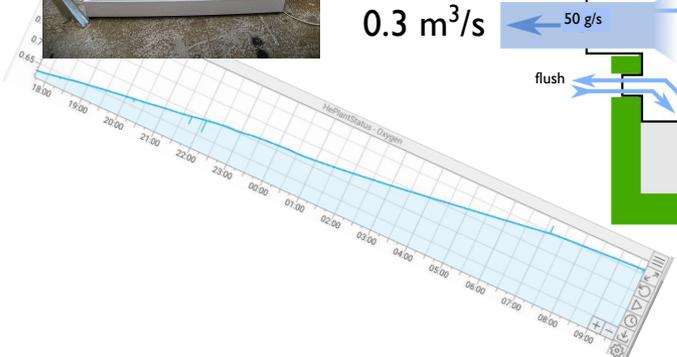
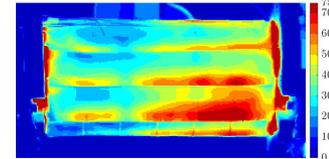


High speed turbo compressors

simulation

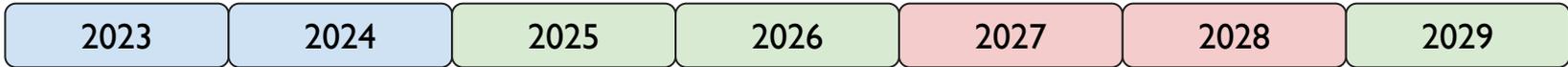
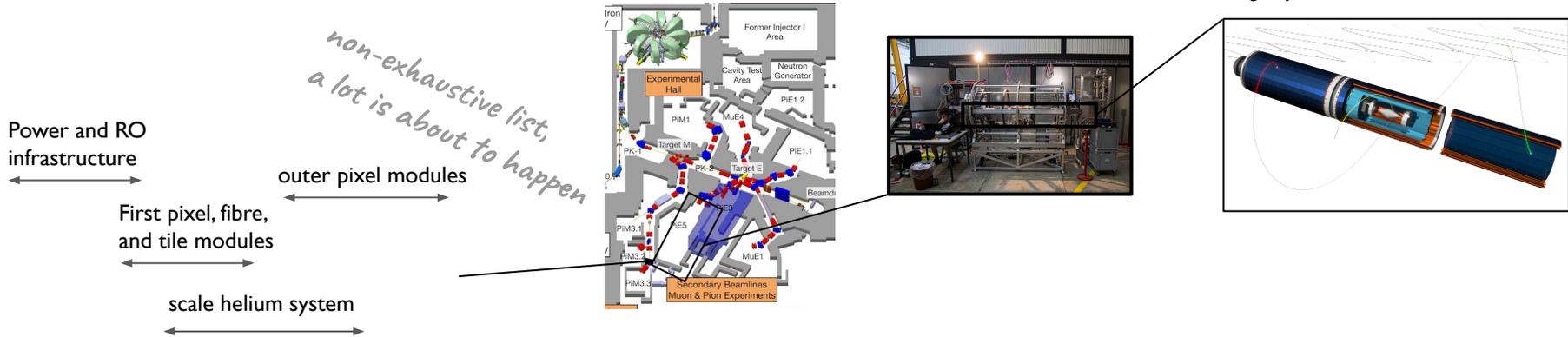
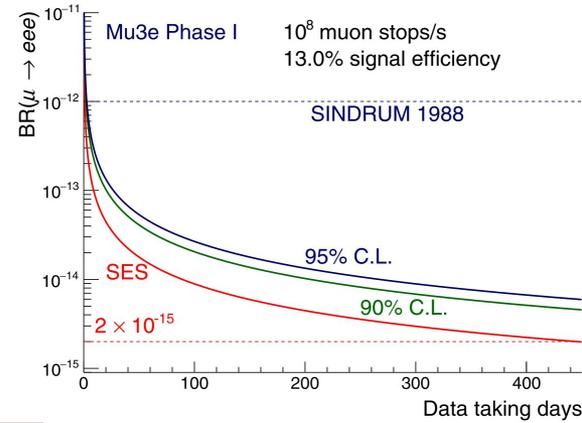


→ measurement ΔT_{in} [K]



Mu3e phase I

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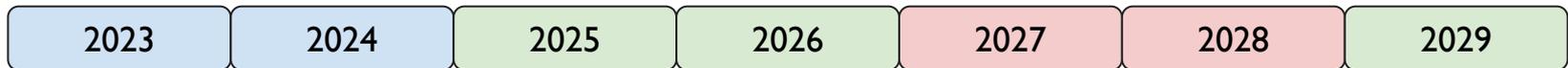
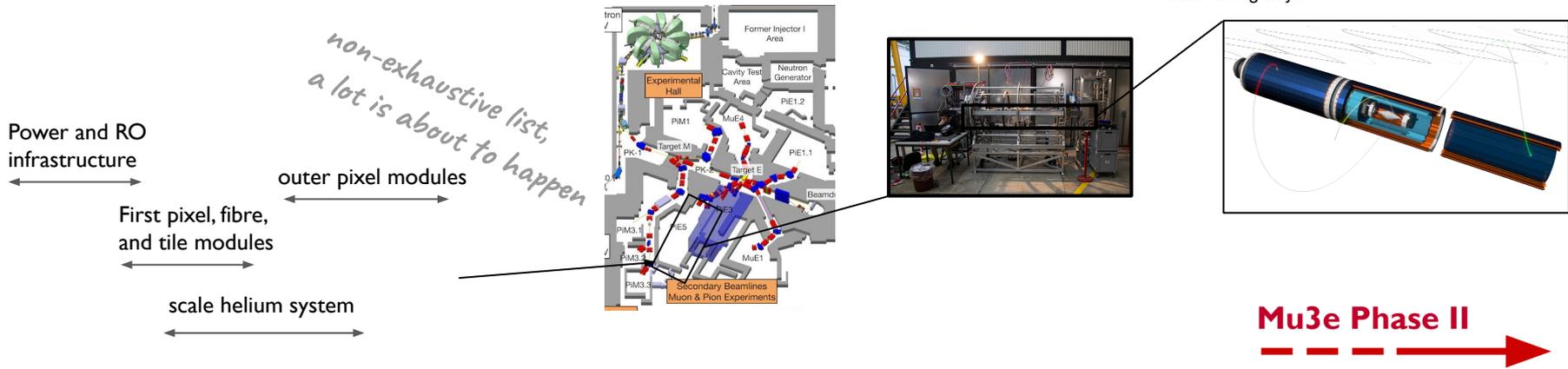
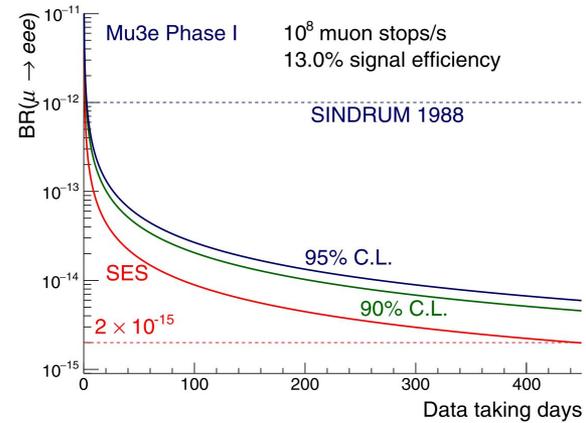
Cosmic data / detector integration *Beam / commissioning*

A lot of beam, PHYSICS!

Long shutdown, HIMB construction

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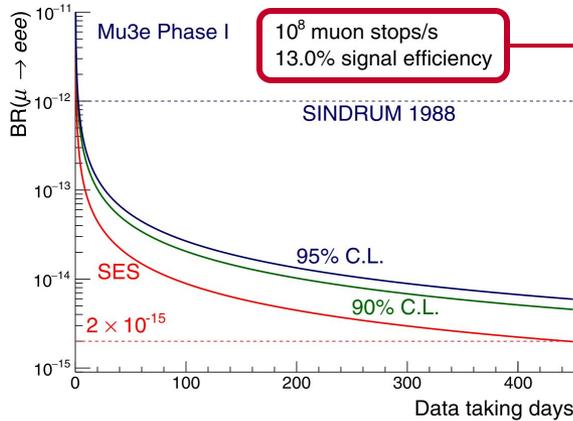
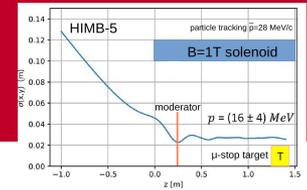


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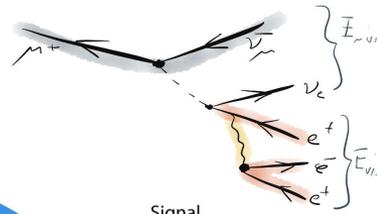
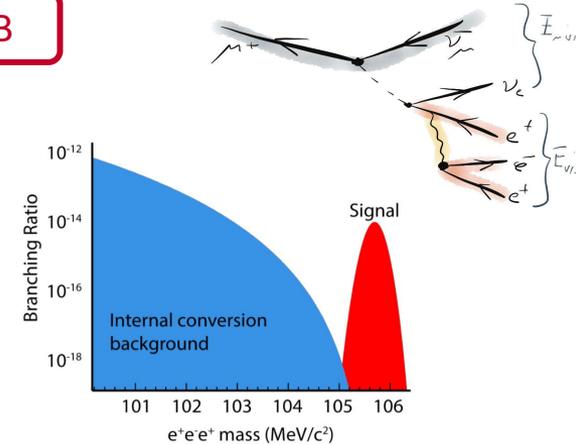
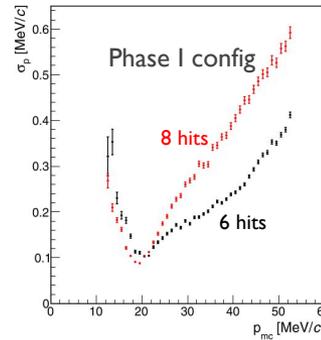
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Mu3e phase II = S.E.S. of 10^{-16}

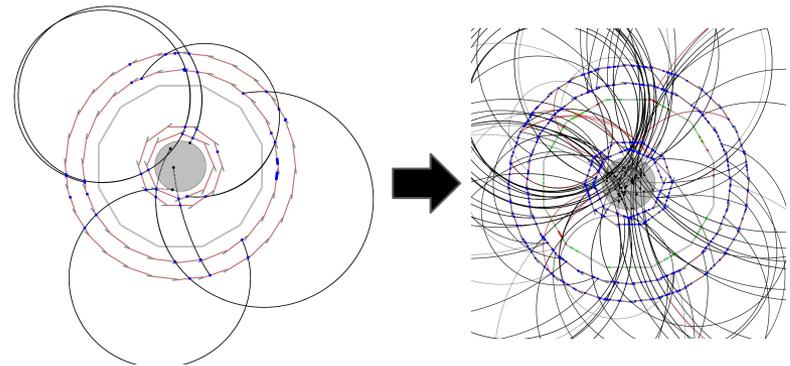


$>10^9$ μ -s on target from HIMB



Accepting $>10^9$ muon per second on target comes with challenges

- ❑ Getting $>10^9$ muons per second on target
- ❑ Processing $>10^9$ muons per second
 - Many DAQ components have phase II capabilities
 - ❑ Raw bandwidth
 - ❑ 10^9 fits per second per GPU
- ❑ Needs fast & granular pixel detectors to reduce combinatorics with time and vertex cuts.
- ❑ Maintain or even improve Momentum resolution to deal with internal conversion background
- ❑ Smarter selection cuts to deal with combinatorics



there is another entire talk about ...

Mu3e beyond $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+e^+e^-$

- $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma \rightarrow e^+e^+e^-$ with γ -conversion layer
- $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ + \text{exotic particle}$

[Snowmass paper](#)



<https://www.psi.ch/en/mu3e>



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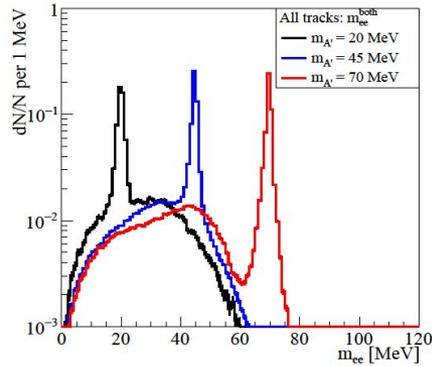
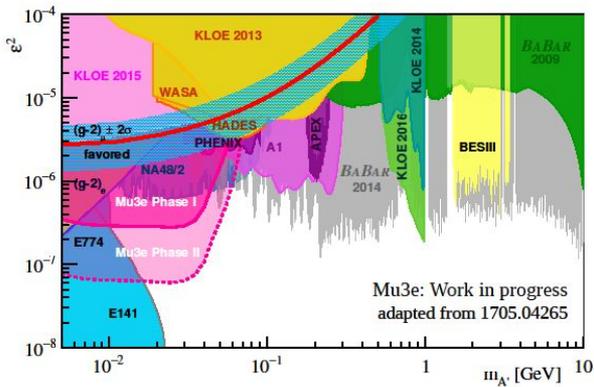


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Extra's

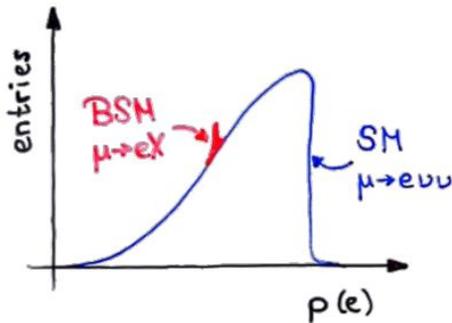
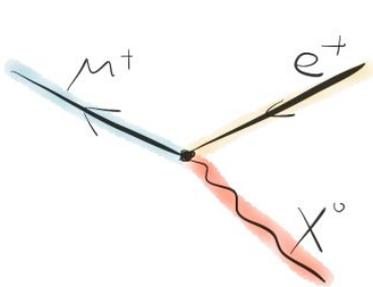


Other Exotic Physics with Mu3e Familons

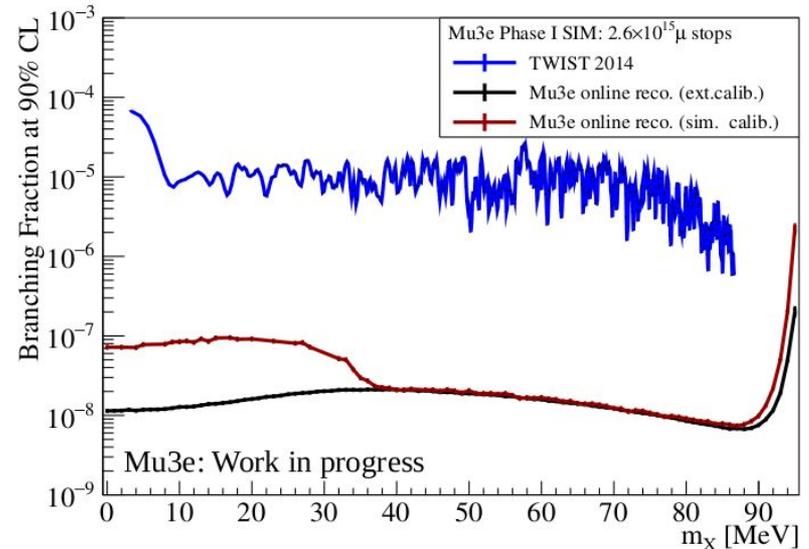


Slide A. PerreVoort

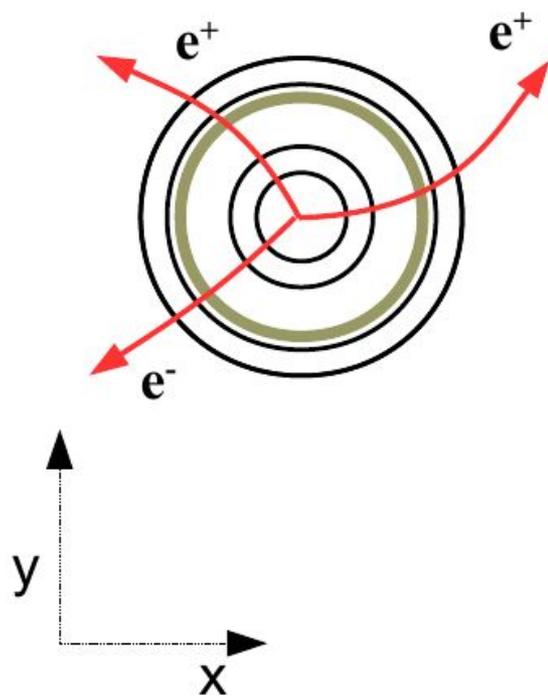
- Search for $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ X^0$ decays
- Ex: Familon
(Goldstone boson from spontaneously broken flavour symmetry, Wilczek, PRL 49 (1982) 1549)



- Challenge: single- e events are not saved
- Histogramming on filter farm



Mu3e (B=1 Tesla)



Mu3e-gamma (B=2 Tesla)

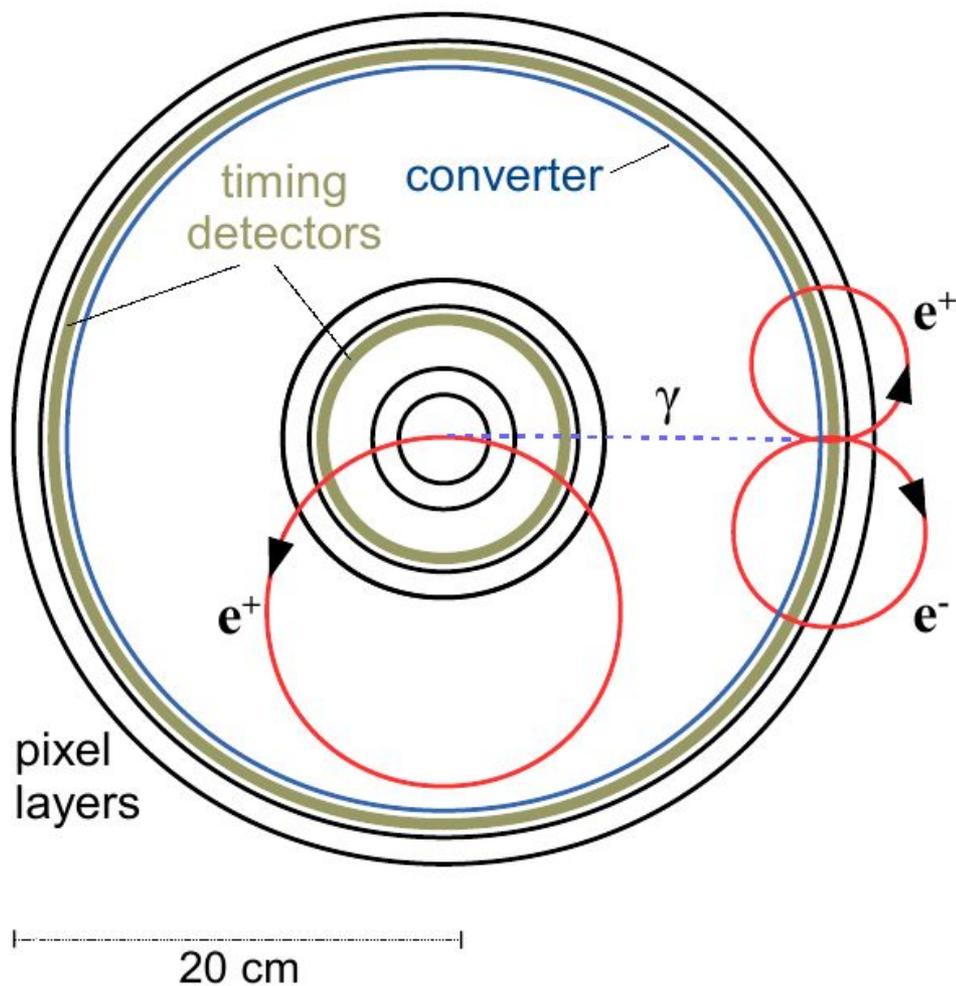
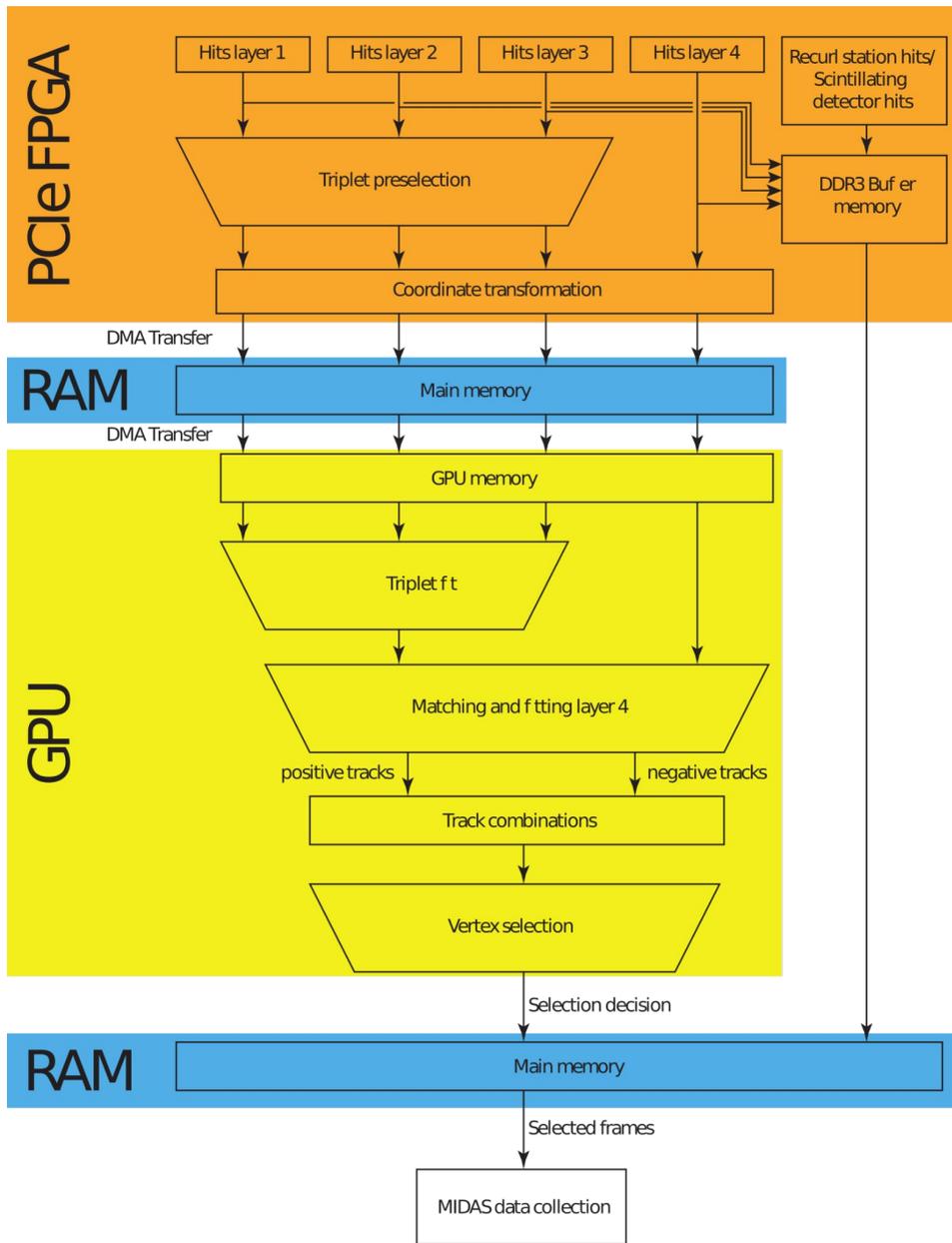


Table 22.1

Efficiency of the various reconstruction and analysis steps.

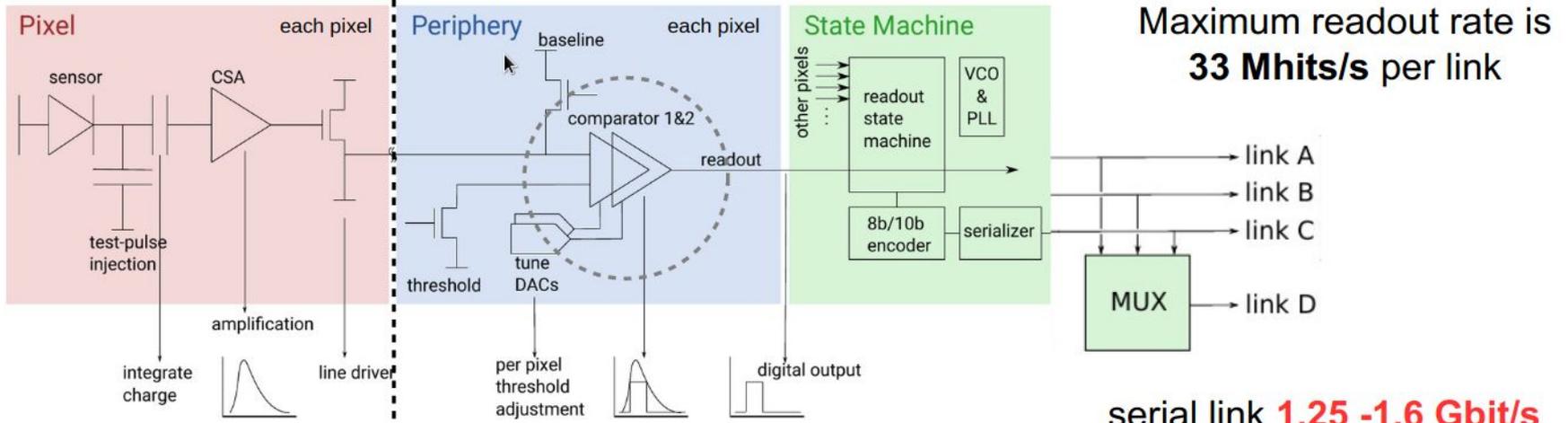
Step	Step efficiency	Total efficiency
Muon stops	100%	100%
Geometrical acceptance, short tracks	38.1%	38.1%
Geometrical acceptance, long tracks	68.0%	25.9%
Short track reconstruction	89.5%	34.1%
Long track reconstruction ^a	67.2%	17.4%
Recurler rejection/Vertex fit convergence	99.4%	17.3%
Vertex fit $\chi^2 < 15$	91.3%	15.8%
CMS momentum $< 4 \text{ MeV}/c$	95.6%	15.1%
$m_{ee,low} < 5 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ or $> 10 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	98.0%	14.9%
$103 \text{ MeV}/c^2 < m_{rec} < 110 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	97.0%	14.4%
Timing	90.0%	13.0%

^aNote that the efficiency of this step is quoted relative to the acceptance for long tracks.



High Rate & Continuous Readout

MuPix



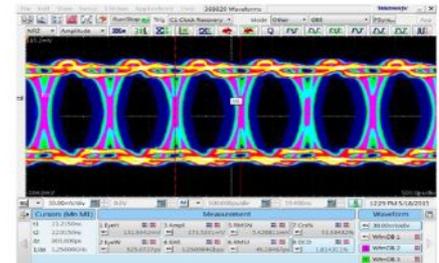
serial link **1.25 -1.6 Gbit/s**

MuPix8 sensor



periphery & SM

eye diagram



MuPix series is the first monolithic pixel sensor with continuous sampling and readout!

