## The hunt for lepton flavor violation

#### with the Mu3e experiment

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### The Mu3e Experiment in a Nutshell

Search for the charged lepton flavor violating decay  $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+$ 

Standard Model Highly suppressed branching ratio BR < 10<sup>-50</sup>



#### Ideal probe for physics beyond SM

Any observation is a clear sign for **new physics!** 





#### The Mu3e Experiment in a Nutshell

Current limit on  $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+e^-e^+$  **BR**<sub>meas</sub> < 10<sup>-12</sup> (SINDRUM 1988)

Goal of Mu3e

#### Enhance sensitivity to branching ratios $O(10^{-16})$

- Why search for  $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+e^-e^+$ ?
- Physics may be closely related to
  - neutrino mixing/masses
- Sensitive to very high mass scales
- Complementary to other muon cLFV searches





# The Experimental Concept

#### Inside 1 T magnetic field





### The Signal Decay

Muons are stopped before decay

#### **Experimental Signature**

- Common vertex
- o Coincident

$$\circ \sum \vec{p} = 0$$

 $\circ \Sigma E = m_{\mu}$ 







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e

#### Main Sources of Background

⁄ e<sup>+</sup>

Radiative SM decay + photon conversion

 $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+ \nu \overline{\nu}$ 

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Combinatorial background

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#### **Experimental Signature**

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



#### **Detector Requirements**



- $_{\odot}\,$  Required average momentum resolution  $\sigma_p < 1.0~{\rm MeV/c}$ 
  - Momentum resolution limited
     by multiple scattering
  - > Material budget  $\leq 1\% X_0$  per layer
- High muon decay rates (Phase II)
   require  $\sigma_t < 500 \text{ ps}$  per track



#### Inside 1 T magnetic field

- Vertex measurement
- Enhance momentum measurement with recurlers
- Enhance time measurement with tiles





#### Simulated Performance



of Firmware for the Front-end of the Mu3e Pixel Detector". PhD Thesis, Heidelberg University



## Experimental Infrastructure



#### Experimental Area @ PSI



#### Muon Beam @ PSI

- Most intense DC muon beam
   available at Paul-Scherrer-Institut
- $\circ$  Phase I:  $\mathcal{O}(10^8 s^{-1})$ 
  - $\circ$  Compact Muon Beamline

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#### The Mu3e Solenoid

- Being produced by Cryogenic Ltd.
- $_{\odot}$  Magnetic field range 0.5 2.0 Tesla
- Very homogeneous magnetic field in a large volume > 2 m<sup>3</sup>

$$\frac{\Delta B}{B} < 2 \cdot 10^{-4}$$





## 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  $\circ$  Can be **thinned** to 50  $\mu$ m ~ 0.5 ‰  $X_0$ 

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Mu3e requir	ements			
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esolution	≤ 20 ns		Mu	Pix 8

Efficiency

Time resolution

## Selected MuPix8 Results

• Extensive lab + test beam characterization: Efficiency, timing, rate capability, irradiation, ...

Fullfils Mu3e requirements



Single pixel time resolution obtained with Sr-90 source

 $\chi^2$  / ndf

scale

σ [bins]

BG slope

σ = 6.042±0.544 [ns]

Full chip  $\sigma$  = 6.5 ns

mean [bins]

6.506 / 5  $58.17 \pm 7.13$ 

 $-1.811 \pm 0.091$ 

 $0.7552 \pm 0.0679$ 

 $0.003091 \pm 0.000832$ 

entries

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## Upcoming Prototype MuPix10

#### Main requirement: module production readiness

Full scale 2 × 2 cm<sup>2</sup> active pixel matrix
Single non-sensitive edge
Minimal amount of pad connections
Last prototype for final design decision

PMOS		CMOS	
Amplifier	Amplifier	Amplifier	
Source Follower	Current Driven	Source Follower	20 mm
Pixel Periphery	Pixel Periphery	Pixel Periphery	3
Sub-Matrix Periphery     Sub-Matrix Periphery         Sub-Matrix Periphery     Sub-Matrix Periphery			Ē
Common Chip Periphery			
	20 mm		



### Building the Pixel Tracking Detector





## A Tracking Detector Module





## Pixel Tracker Cooling with Helium

 $_{\odot}$  Cooling of sensors required (surface power density up to 400 mW/cm^2)  $_{\odot}$  As little material as possible

o Gaseous Helium: low density, reasonable cooling capabilities





#### Development of Tooling











Mockup of layer 1 and 2

### 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

o 32-channels

 $\circ$  50 ps Time-to-digital converter



## Fibre Detector

- Precise timing suppresses combinatorial background
- o 12 fibre ribbons
  - o 30 cm long
  - $\circ$  3 staggered layers of 250  $\mu$ m thin fibres
  - $\circ$  Material budget < 2‰  $X_0$ fulfills requirement  $\leq 3\% X_0$
- o 128 channel SiPM column arrays
- Complete mechanical **CAD-model**





## Fibre Detector Studies

Studied different fibre types

 $\circ$  Number of fibre layers:

Trade-off timing, efficiency ↔ material budget

 $\circ$  Required time resolution < 500 ps

 Fulfilled by prototypes including readout ASIC

Efficiency > 95 %



## Tile Detector

- $_{\odot}$  Scintillating tiles 6 × 6 × 5  $mm^3$
- Complete mechanical CAD-model
- Prototype modules produced \*
- $\circ$  Required time resolution < 100 ps
- Test beam: single channel time resolution of 45 ps





## The Readout System



## The Mu3e Readout Concept





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## 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 Ο
- High-end commercial GPU 0
  - Triplet fit (arXiv:1606.04990)
  - Vertex fit  $\cap$





## **Pixel Readout Integration**

- 08 × MuPix8 as a beam telescope
- Parallel operation using one front-end board prototype
- Performed rate scans up to
   ~ 10 MHz per sensor
- o Checked performance of
  - $_{\circ}$  Sensor data links
  - $_{\rm O}$  Firmware implementation

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# Summary and Outlook







Mechanical design including services available

o Thermo-mechanical mockup

Verify and optimize cooling/mechanical concepts

- Continuation with outer layers and silicon heater chips
- Production readiness of all detectors expected within 2020
- Pixel detector

MuPix10 upcoming prototype (submission soon)

 $_{\odot}$  Modules: study operation of a MuPix sensor on an HDI

Vertical slice tests of pixel and timing detectors







## The Mu3e Collaboration

About 60 members from 12 institutes

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## Backup

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#### Simulation: Momentum Resolution





#### Simulated Performance



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## Experimental Area





#### Muon Beam





#### Beam losses along the beam line



#### Inside 1 T magnetic field





Simulation of stopping power of target









#### Momentum Measurement

• Stopped muons  $\rightarrow$  low momentum  $e^-e^+$ 

 Momentum resolution limited by multiple scattering

Advantageous:

 $\circ$  Large lever arm  $\Omega$ 

 $\circ$  Low multiple scattering  $\theta_{MS}$ 

 $\rightarrow$  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









- Requires momentum resolution  $\sigma_p < 0.5 \text{ MeV/c}$
- Multiple scattering dominates momentum resolution  $\sigma_p/p \propto \sqrt{x/X_0}$

#### Material budget $x \leq 1\% X_0$ per layer



## The Latest MuPix Prototypes

#### o MuPix7

- $\circ$  AMS H18
- First fully integrated HV-MAPS
- $\circ$  Resubmitted in TSI H18

#### o MuPix8

- $\circ$  AMS AH18
- $_{\odot}$  First large scale HV-MAPS (2 × 1 cm<sup>2</sup>)

#### o MuPix9

- $\circ$  AMS AH18
- Command decoder
- $\circ$  Power regulators





#### MuPix7

- $\,\circ\,$  Active area 3 x 3  $mm^2$
- $\circ~$  Pixel size 80 x 103  $\mu m^2$
- o Integrated readout state machine
- Untriggered readout
- Serial data output @ 1.25 Gb/s





#### MuPix8 Readout Architecture I





### MuPix8 Readout Architecture II

o Hits are tagged with an on-chip timestamp

Position priority based readout:

Hit chronology not strictly conserved

- o Trigger-less, continuous readout
- o Serial data outputs @ 1.25 Gb/s



## High Density Interconnect

- Produced by LTU Ltd.
- $\circ$  Thin foils: 14  $\mu m$  Aluminium per layer
- Dielectric spacing: polyimide foils
- SpTAB technology: Single point
   Tape Automated Bonding







#### Material Budget of Selected Pixel Detectors

Experiment	Material budget per layer
ATLAS IBL <sup>‡</sup>	1.9 % X <sub>0</sub>
CMS (current) <sup>†</sup>	$\sim 2.0 \% X_0$
CMS (upgrade) <sup>†</sup>	$\sim 1.1 \% X_0$
ALICE (current)*	1.1 % X <sub>0</sub>
ALICE (upgrade)*	0.3 % X <sub>0</sub>
STAR <sup>°</sup>	0.4 % X <sub>0</sub>
Belle II $ riangle$	0.2 % X <sub>0</sub>
Mu3e	0.1 % X <sub>0</sub>
<sup>†</sup> ATL-INDET-PROC-2015-001	
<sup>†</sup> CERN-LHCC-2012-016 ; CMS-TDR-11	talk by G. Contin at PIXEL 2016
* arXiv:1211.4494v1	$^{\Delta}$ talk by C. Koffmane at PIXEL 2

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#### Readout Bandwidth Requirements

o Hit rates derived from full detector simulation
o Pixel detector only: 2844 sensors = 178 MPixel
o Hit rates increase by a factor of 20 for Phase II

Muon stopping rate (Phase I)	100 MHz	
Maximum hit rate of the busiest pixel sensor	1.5 MHz/cm <sup>2</sup>	
Average total pixel hit rate	1.06 GHz	
Data rate due to pixel hits (32 bits per hit)	34 Gb/s	
Data rate due to pixel noise	5.7 Gb/s $\cdot R_{noise,pix}$ /Hz	
Total readout bandwidth	3.8 Tb/s	

 $R_{noise,pix}$ : Noise rate per pixel  $\ll$  10 Hz



## Clock and Reset Distribution

Phase stability requirement < 100 ps</li>
 Precise timing measurements
 Synchronize all detectors
 Custom designed optical clock

distribution system ready

- $_{\odot}$  Master clock generation
- $_{\odot}$  Electrical fanout to 288 optical copies
- Connects to front-end boards

