

Testbeam Measurement for the MU3E Experiment



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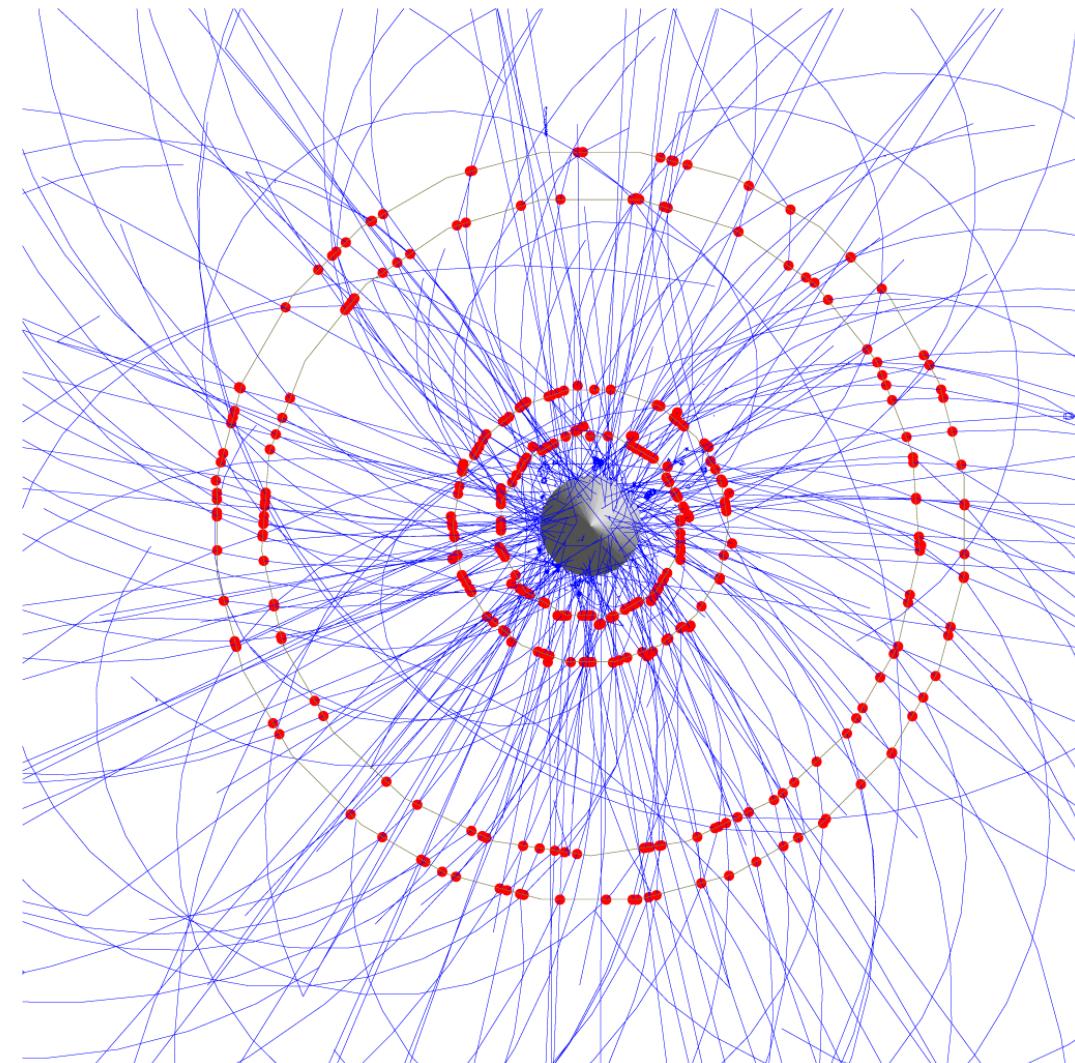
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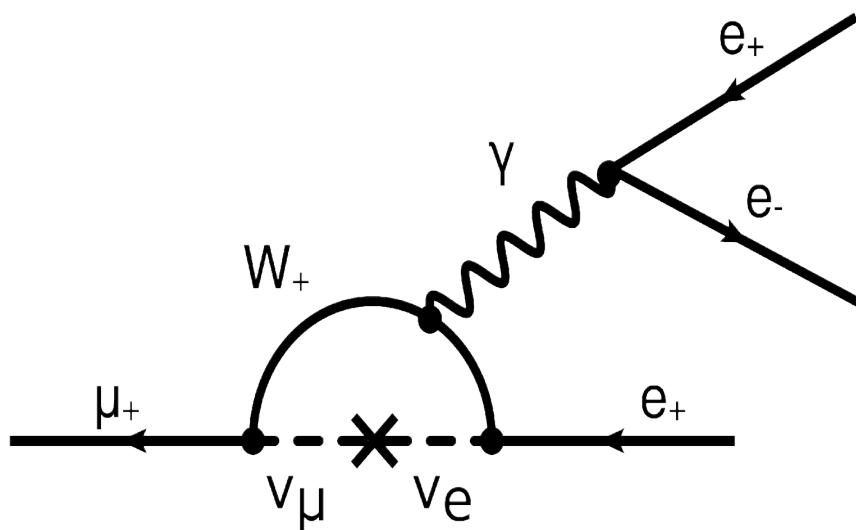
The MU3E Experiment



The MU3E Experiment:

- ▶ Search for $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+$
- ▶ Charged Lepton Flavor Violation (LFV)
- ▶ Proposed Sensitivity:
Branching Ratio (BR) $< 10^{-16}$
- ▶ Indirect New Physics Search

$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^-$ in the Standard Modell



Features:

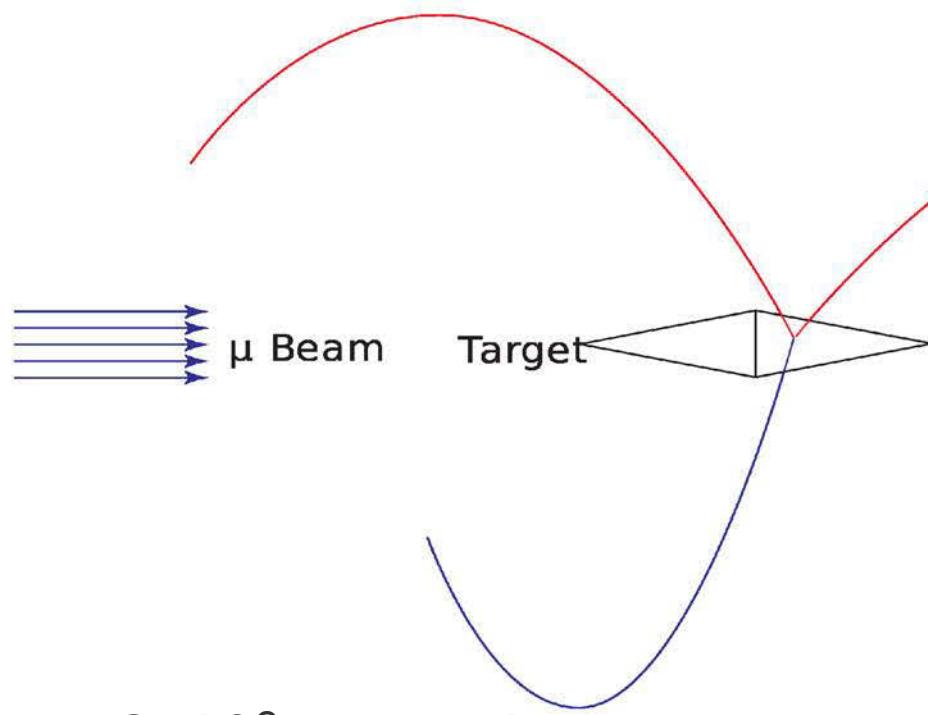
- ▶ Lepton Flavor Violating
- ▶ Via Neutrino Mixing
- ▶ But: **Heavily Suppressed**
- ▶ Expected BR $< 10^{-50}$
- ▶ Current Limit BR $< 2.4 \cdot 10^{-12}$

Importance:

- ▶ Any Observable BR must come from New Physics

→ Very Sensitive to New Physics

Experimental Concept



up to $2 \cdot 10^9$ muons / s

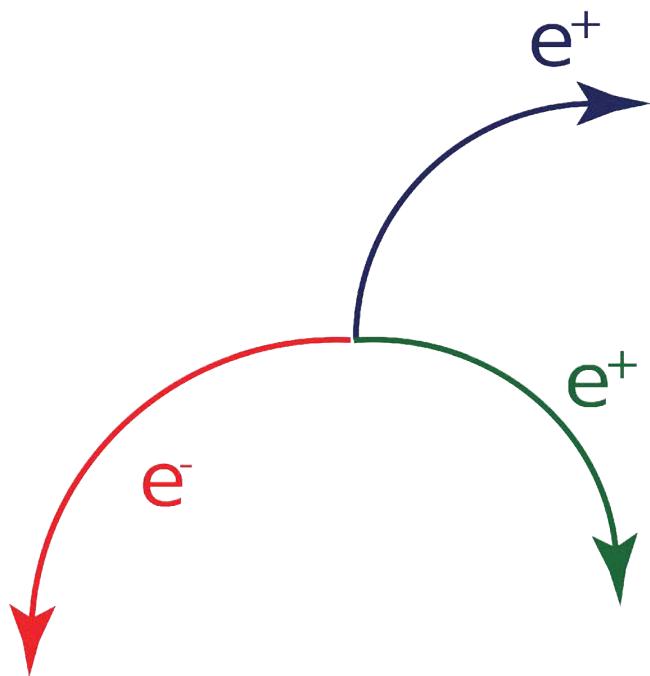
Existing / Future Beamlines
Paul Scherrer Institut, Switzerland

1. High Intensity Muon Beam (Low Energy)
2. Stop Muons in Target
3. Observe All Decay Electrons
4. Find Three Matching Tracks

→ Many, Low Momentum Electrons
 $p < 53$ MeV

The MU3E Experiment
Signal

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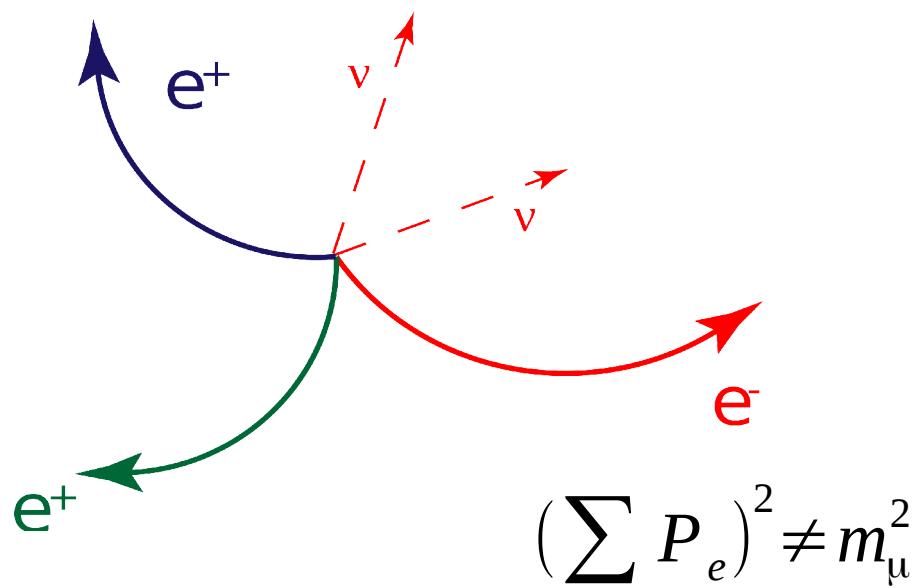


- ▶ Three Electrons ($2 \times e^+$, $1 \times e^-$)
- ▶ Common Vertex
- ▶ Coincident in Time

$$\left(\sum P \right)^2 = m_\mu^2$$

Backgrounds

Internal Conversion



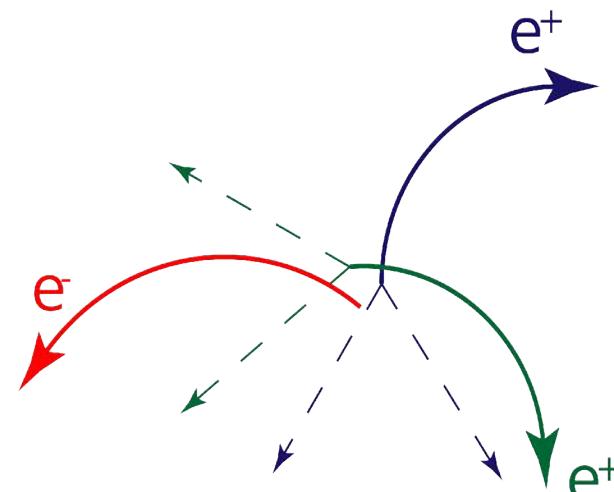
Requires:

- high momentum resolution

→ **Suppress Below $BR < 10^{-16}$**

→ **Fast, Precise, Low Momentum Electron Tracker**

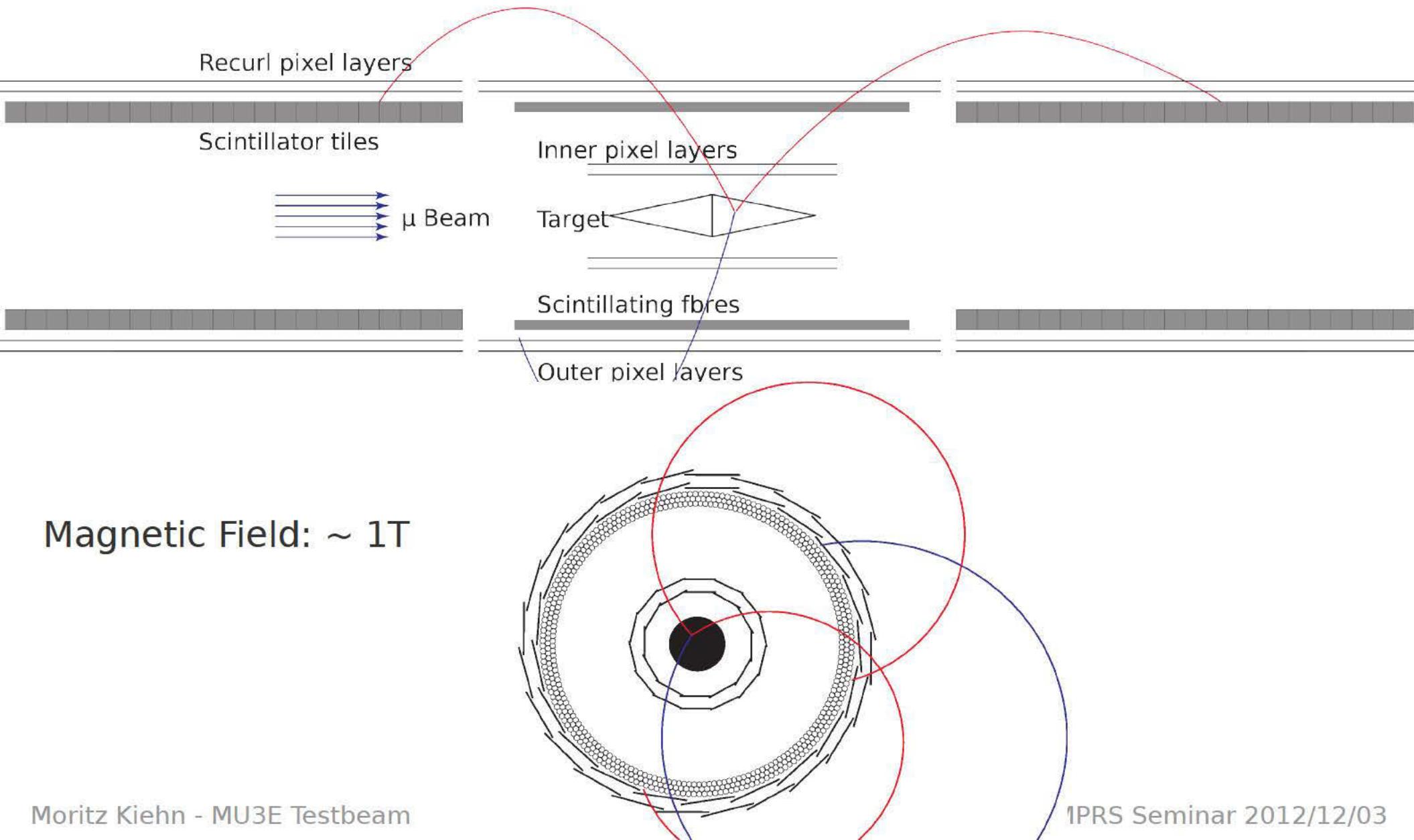
Combinatorial Background



Requires:

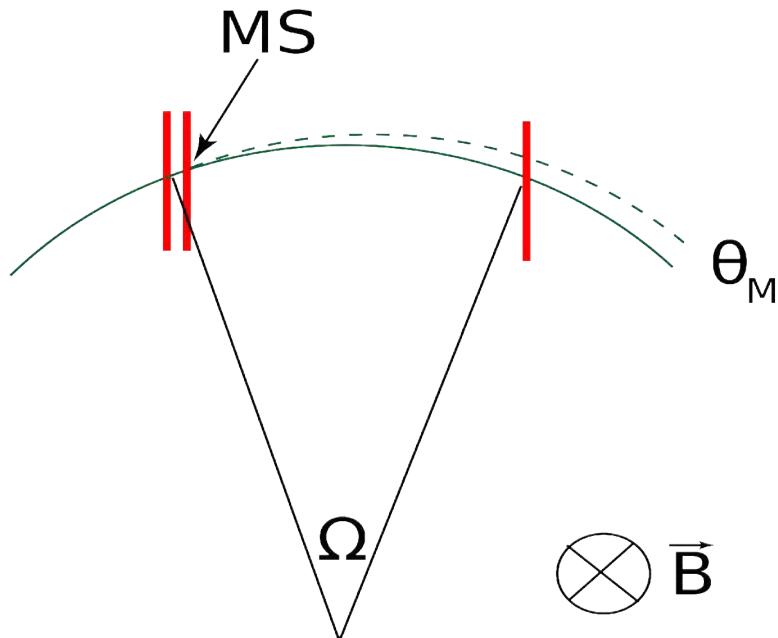
- high vertex resolution
- good momentum resolution
- additional timing information

The MU3E Detector



Multiple Scattering

Short Tracks



Example:

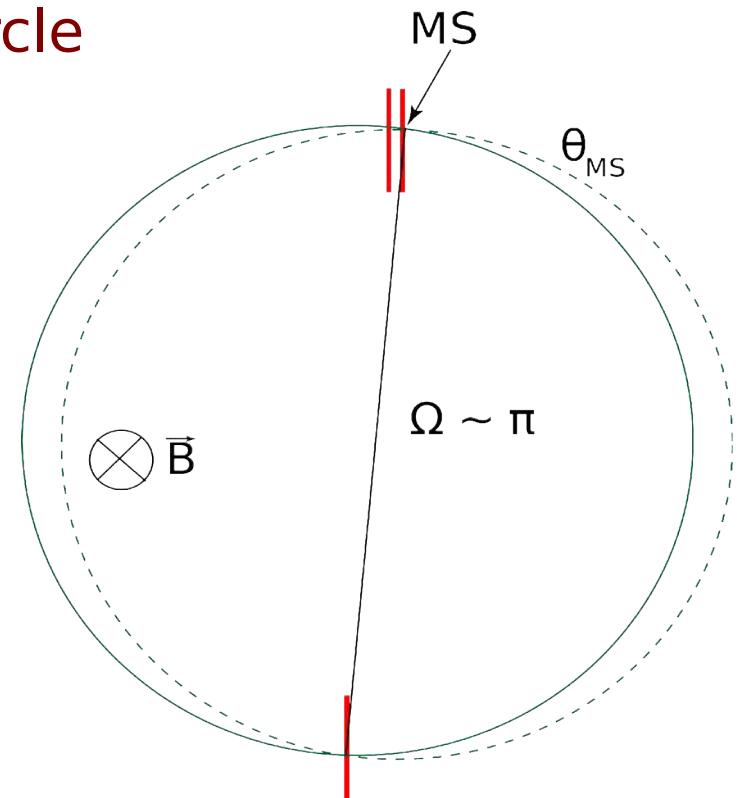
$$p = 35 \text{ MeV}$$

$$x = 200 \mu\text{m} \text{ Silicon}$$

$$\Omega \cdot R = 5 \text{ cm}$$

$$\rightarrow \Delta y = 1 \text{ mm}$$

Semi Circle



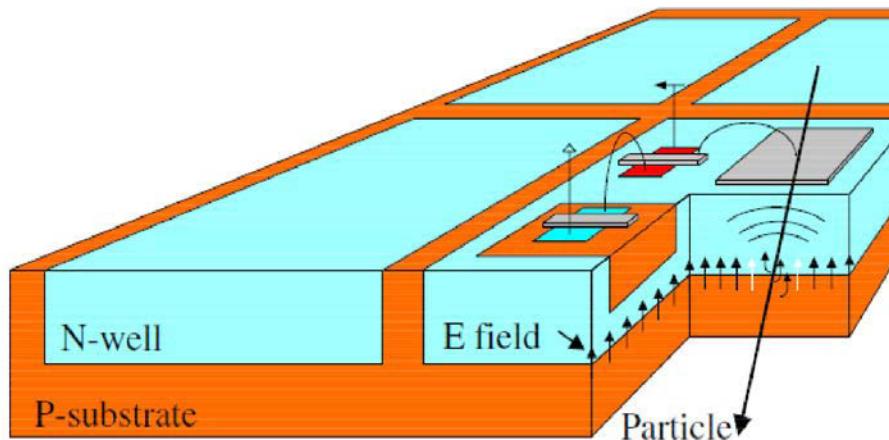
$$\theta_{MS} = \frac{13.6 \text{ MeV}}{p} \sqrt{\frac{x}{X_0}}$$

In First Order / Fixed Momentum:
Reduced Effect from Scattering

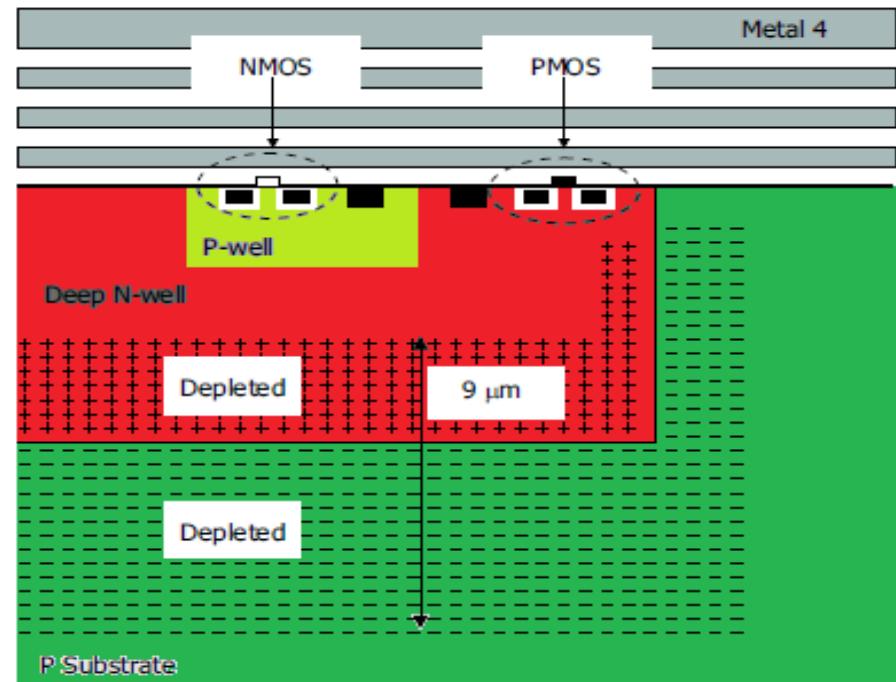
Low Momentum \rightarrow Minimal Material Budget

High Voltage MAPS

top view



cross section



MAPS:
Monolithic
Active
Pixel Sensors

- integrated readout
- very small active zone
- charge collection via drift (fast)
- thinable down to 50μm

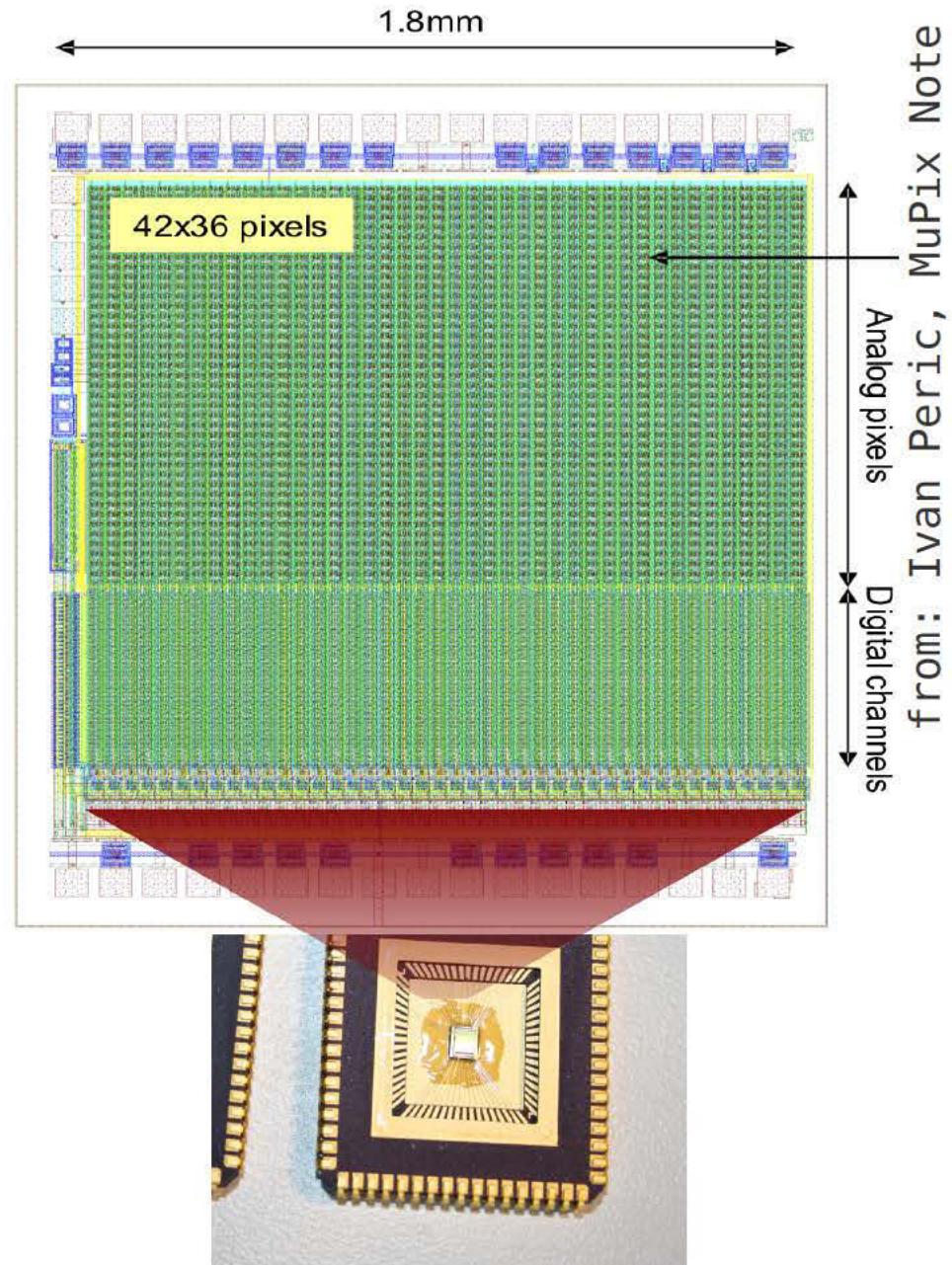
MUPIX Prototype 2

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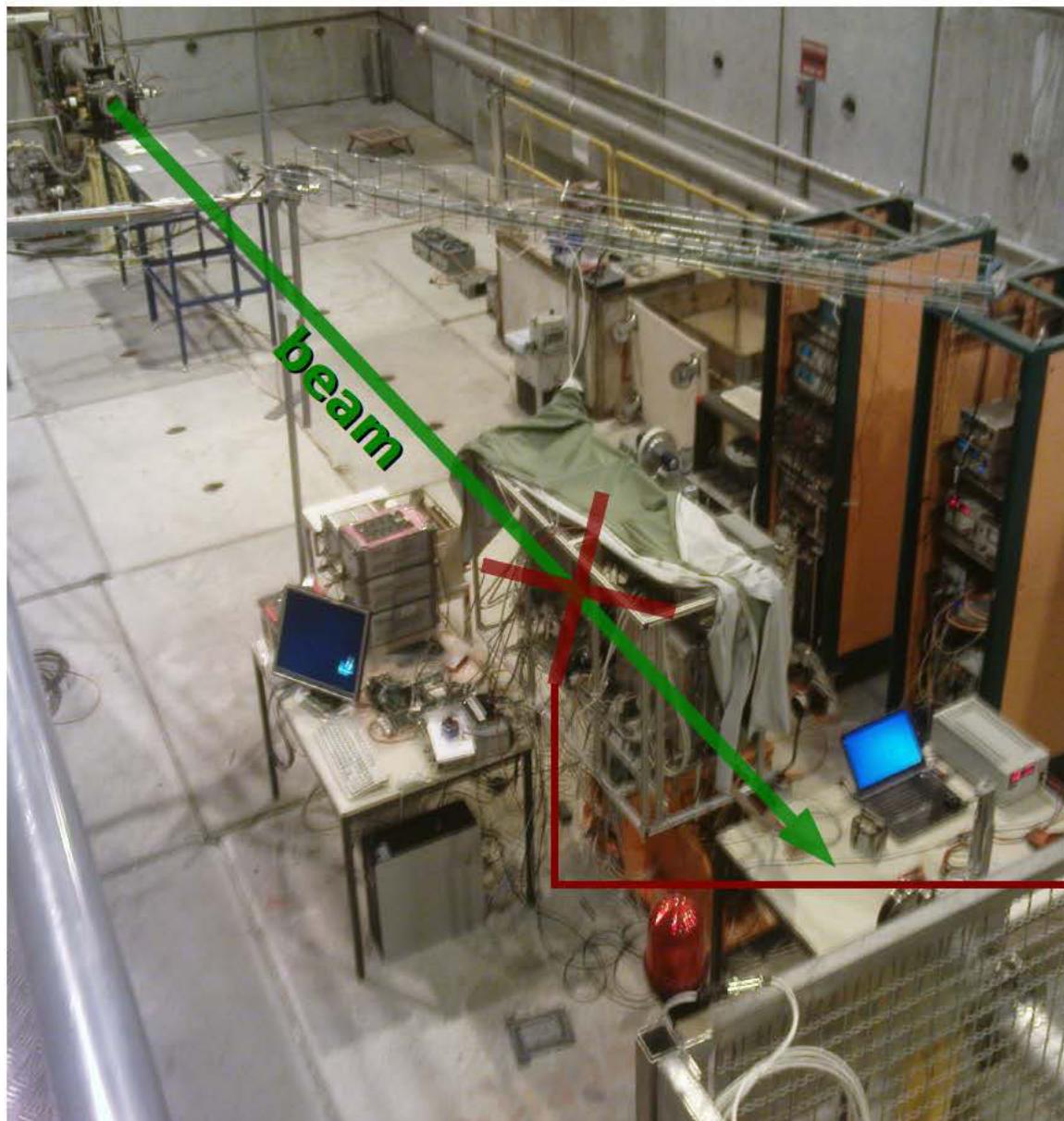
- ▶ Designed by Ivan Peric (ZiT Mannheim)
- ▶ 42x36 Pixels @ $39 \times 30 \mu\text{m}^2$
- ▶ Binary Hits (Single Threshold)
- ▶ already tested by colleagues at PI (laser, radioactive sources, ...)

Problems:

- ▶ Efficiency?
- ▶ Resolution?
- ▶ Response to Minimal Ionizing Particles (MIPs)?
- Requires Testbeam Measurements



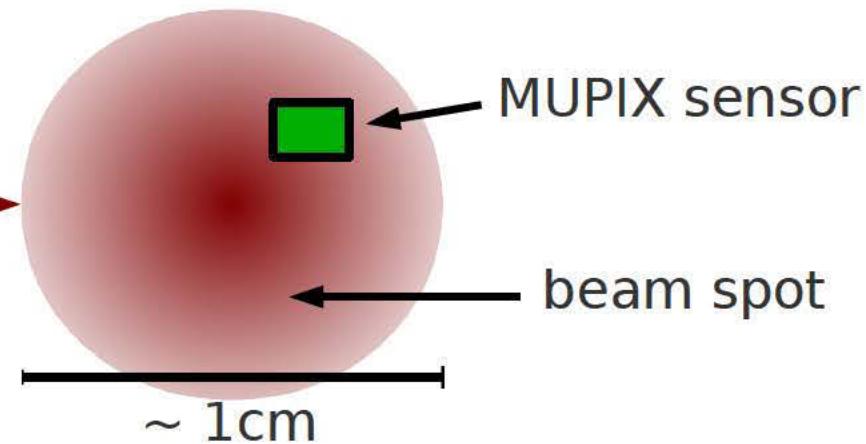
SPS Testbeam at CERN



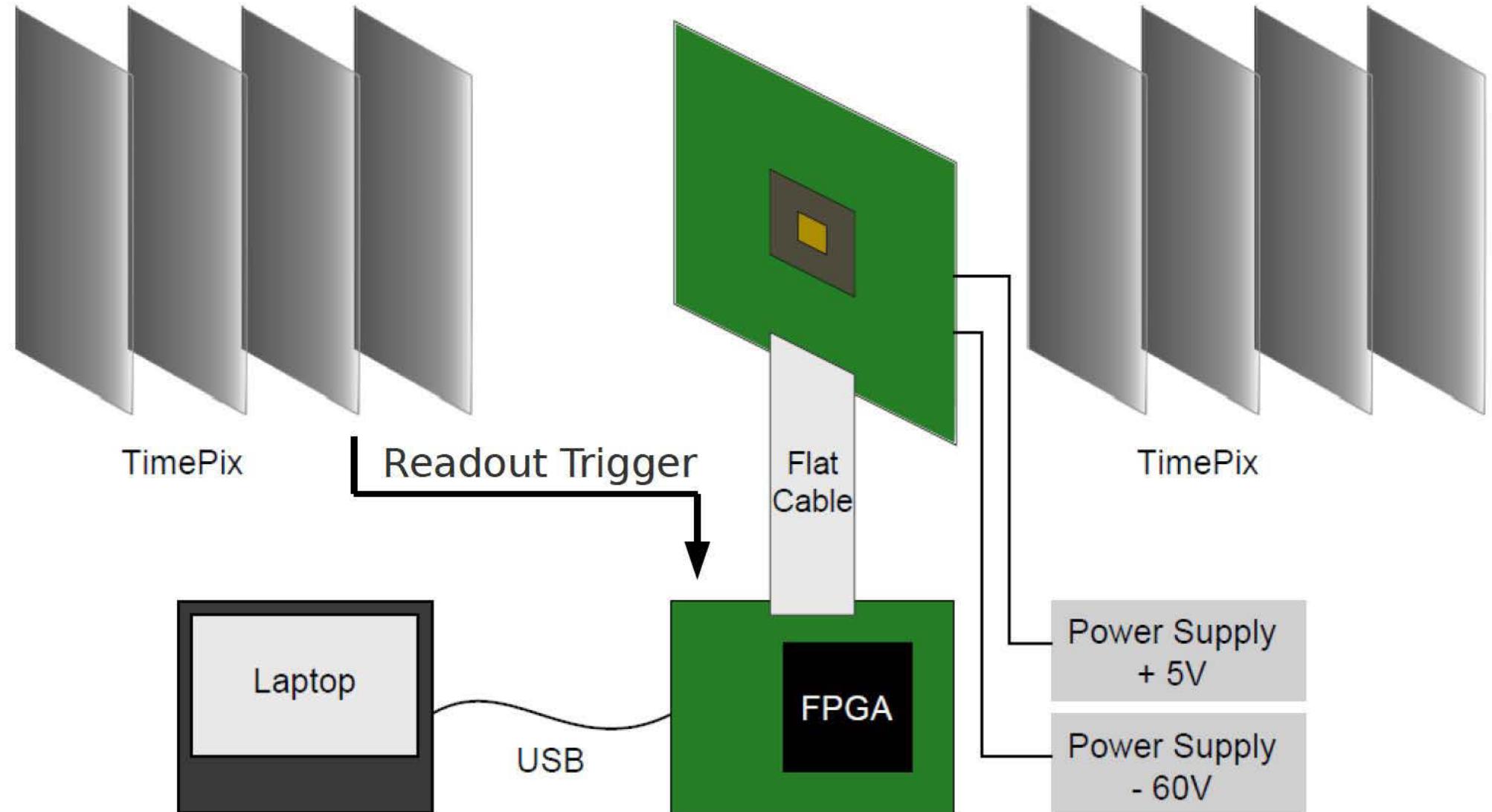
Testbeam August 2012

- Testbeam Area T4-H8A
- 180 GeV/c pions
- TIMEPIX Beam Telescope

But: ~ few hours of data taking

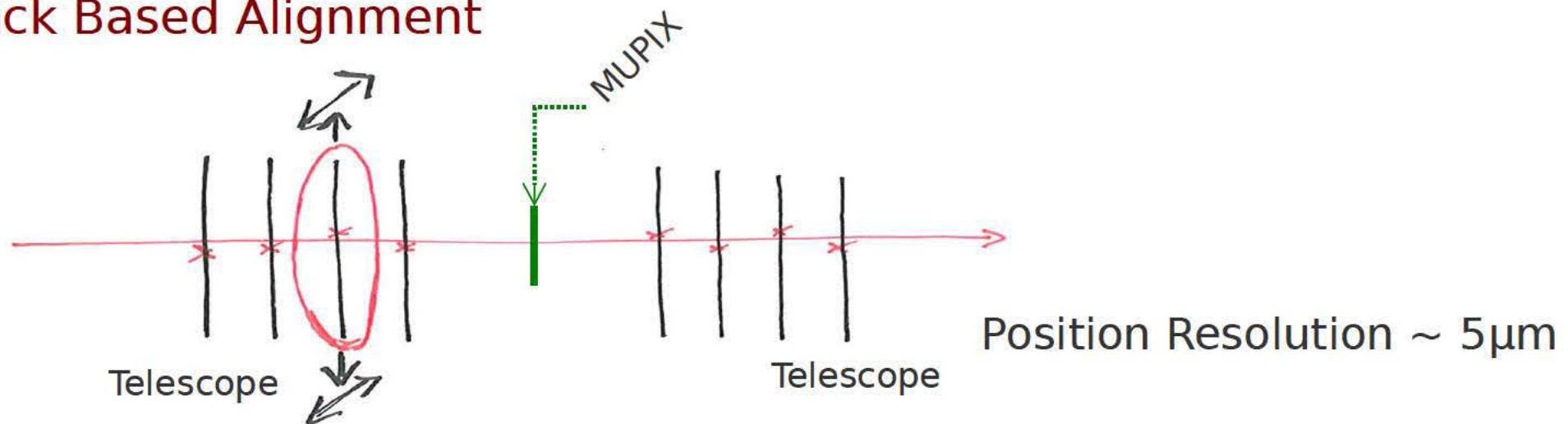


Timepix Beam Telescope

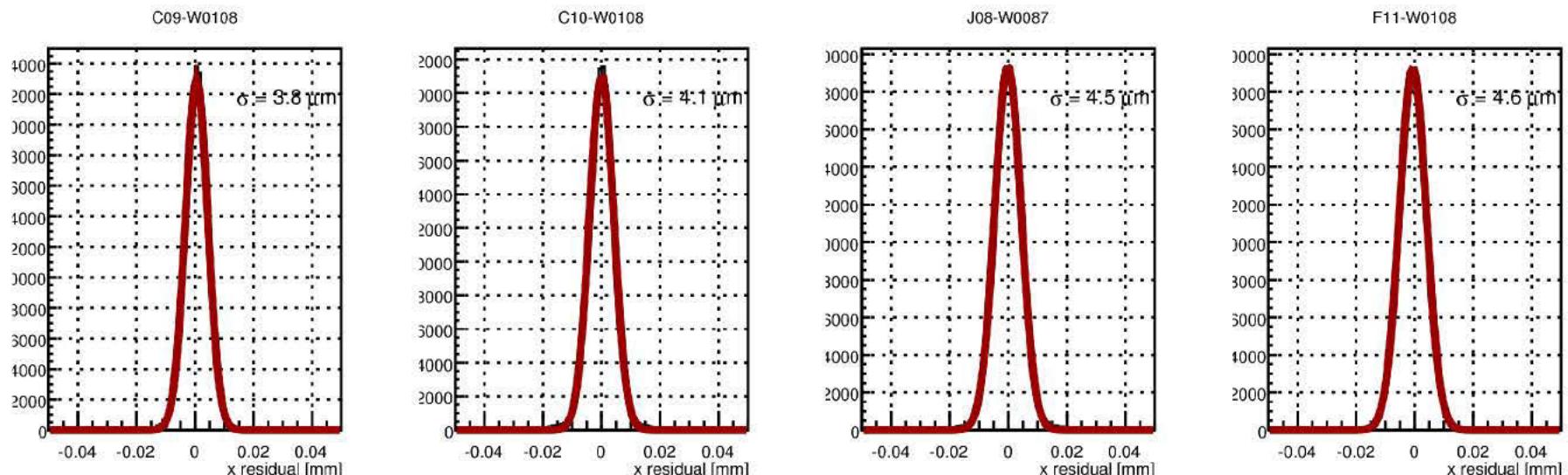


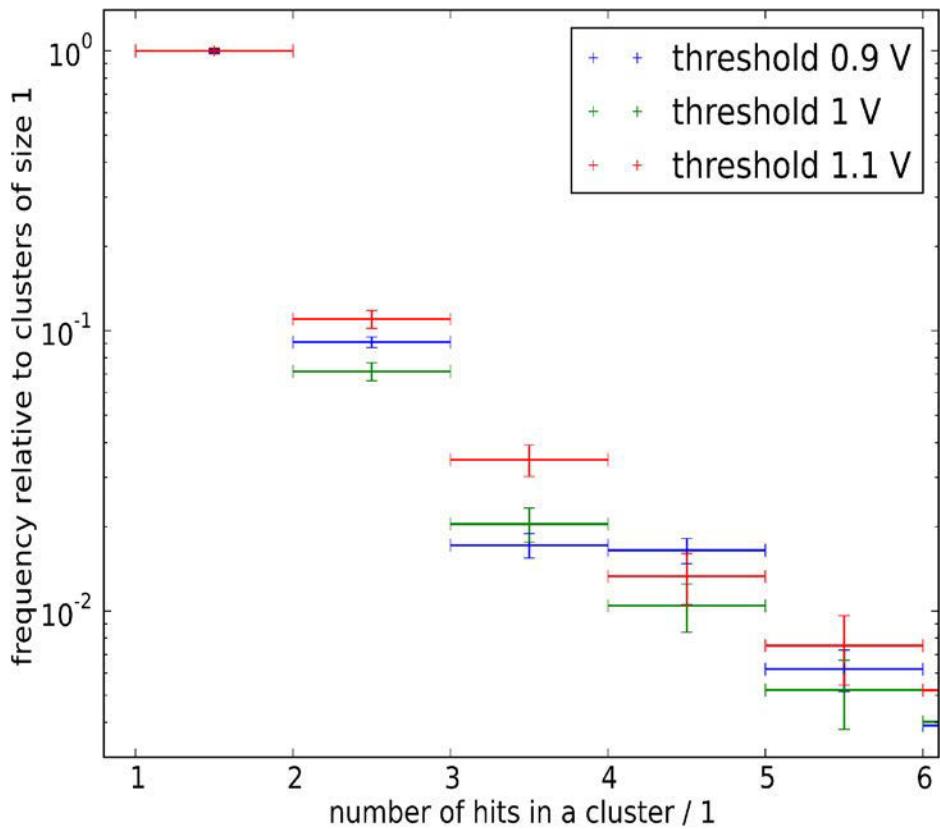
Telescope Alignment

Track Based Alignment



Track Residuals (First 4 Telescope Layers)



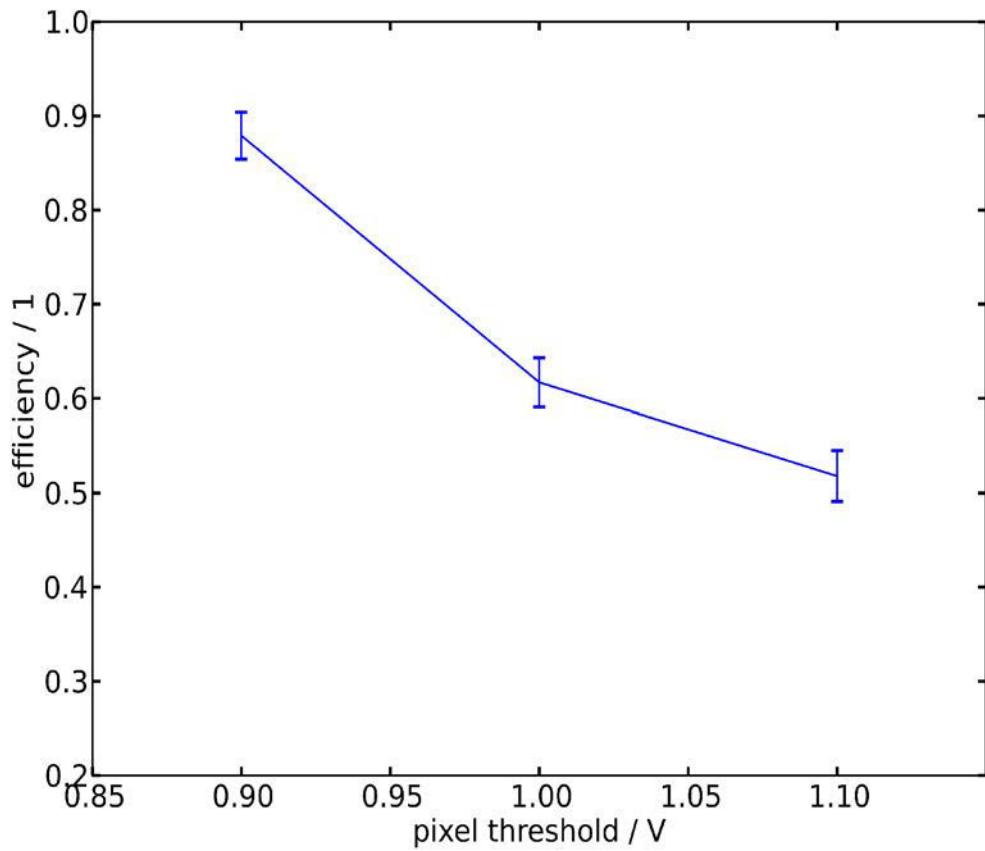


Mostly Single Hit Cluster

- ▶ Very Little Charge Sharing
- ▶ Expected: Small Active Volume

No Significant Threshold Dependence

- ▶ Expectation: Fewer Big Cluster for Higher Thresholds
- ▶ Limited Statistics

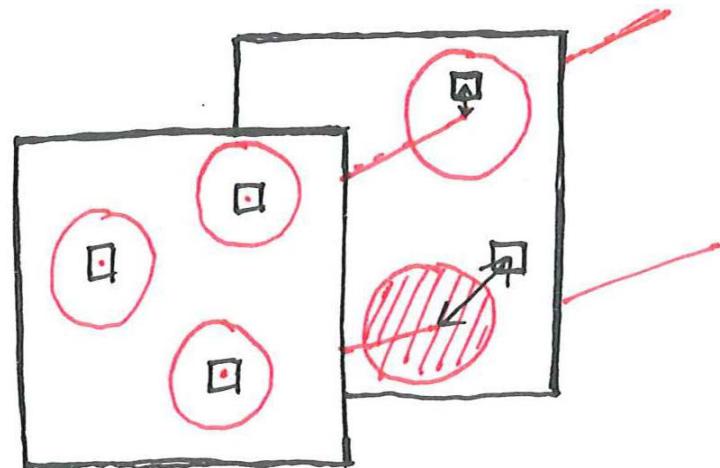


How to Calculate:

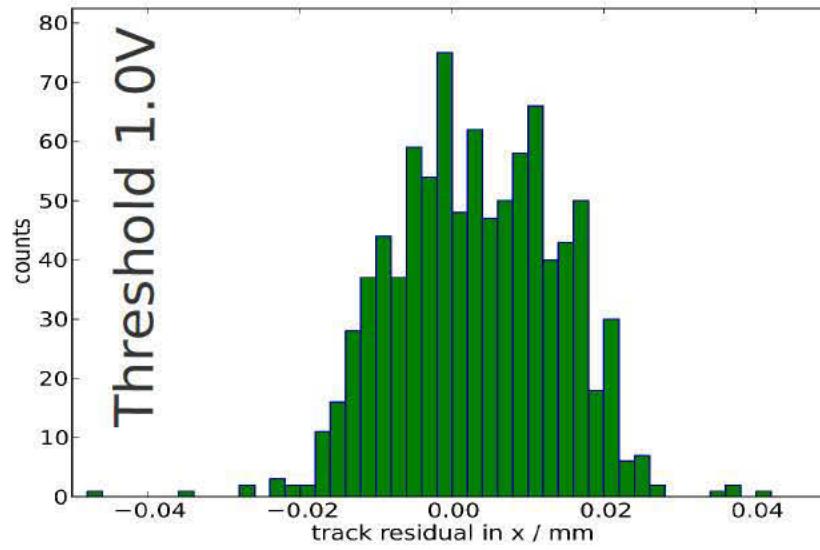
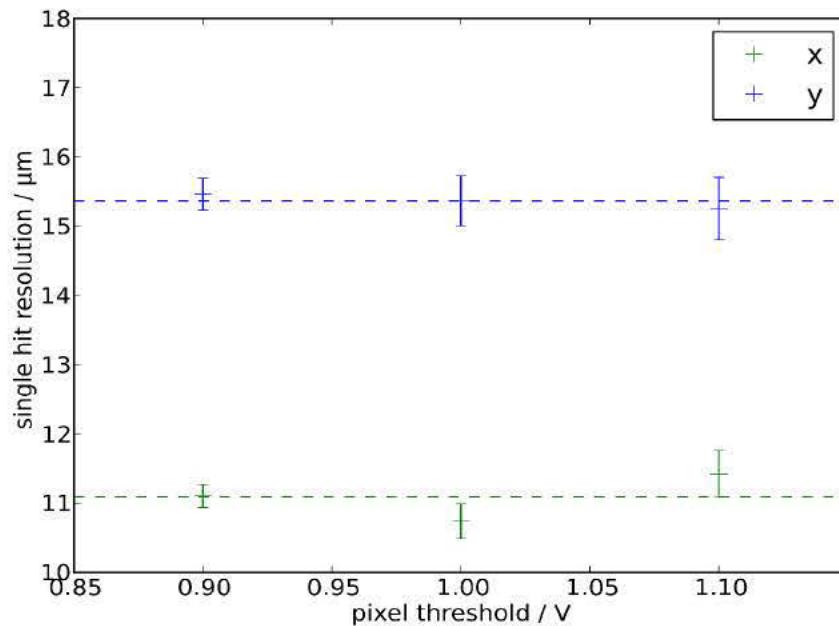
- 1.Extrapolate Track to MUPIX plane
- 2.Check for Close-By Clusters
(less than 2 pixel away)
- 3.Keep Closest Cluster
- 4.Ratio Tracks w/ or w/o Cluster

Problems:

- ▶ Some Dead Pixels



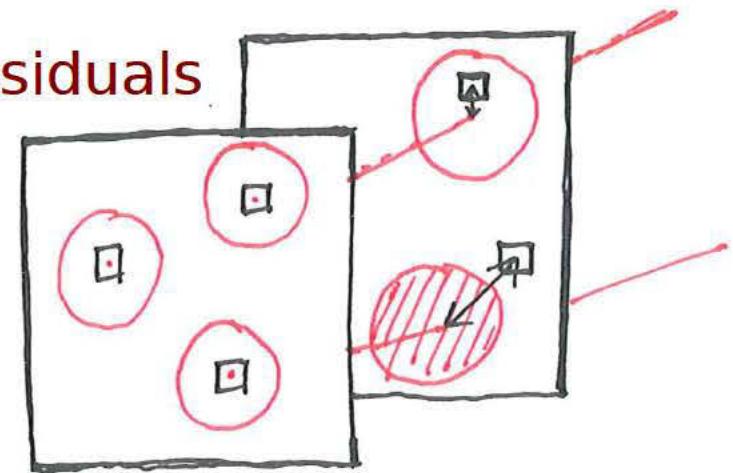
Resolution



- Independent of Threshold
- Combination of Pixel Size and Telescope Resolution

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\sigma_{Telescope}^2 + \frac{d_{Pixel}^2}{12}}$$

Track Residuals



Summary & Outlook

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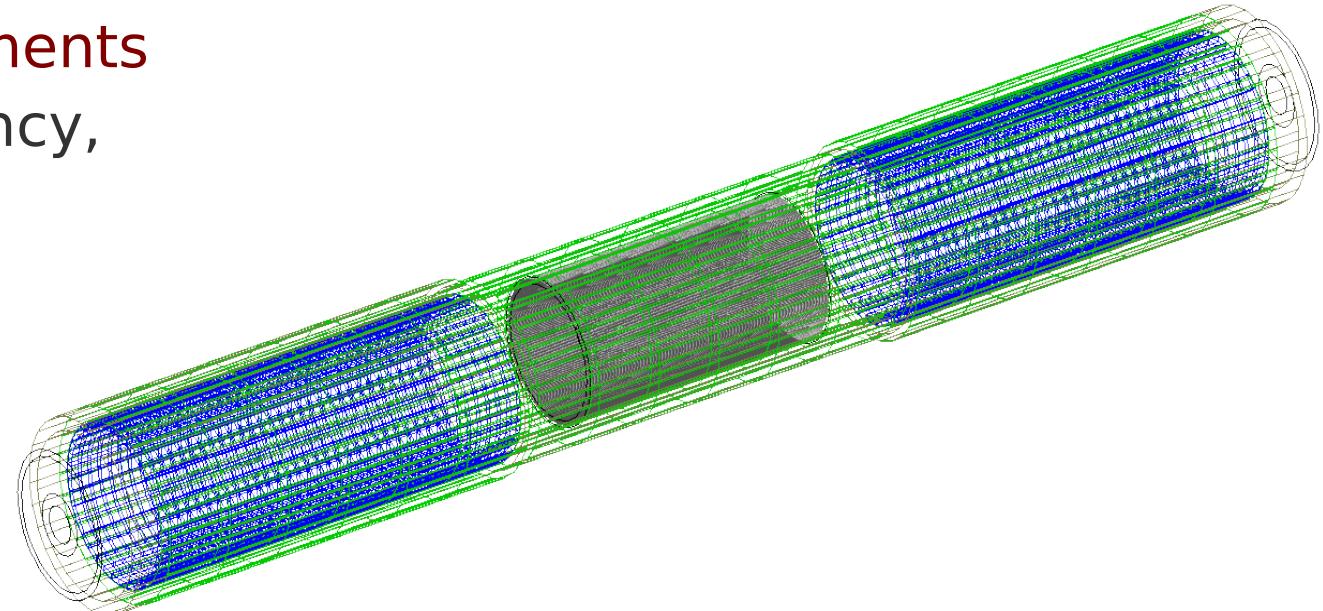
- ▶ Search for Charged LFV
 $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+$
- ▶ Planned Sensitivity BR $< 10^{-16}$
- ▶ New Detector Design
- ▶ New Pixel Sensor

What's Next?

- ▶ Finalize Testbeam Analysis
- ▶ New Prototype: MUPIX v3
- ▶ First Data Taking ~ 2014

Testbeam Measurements

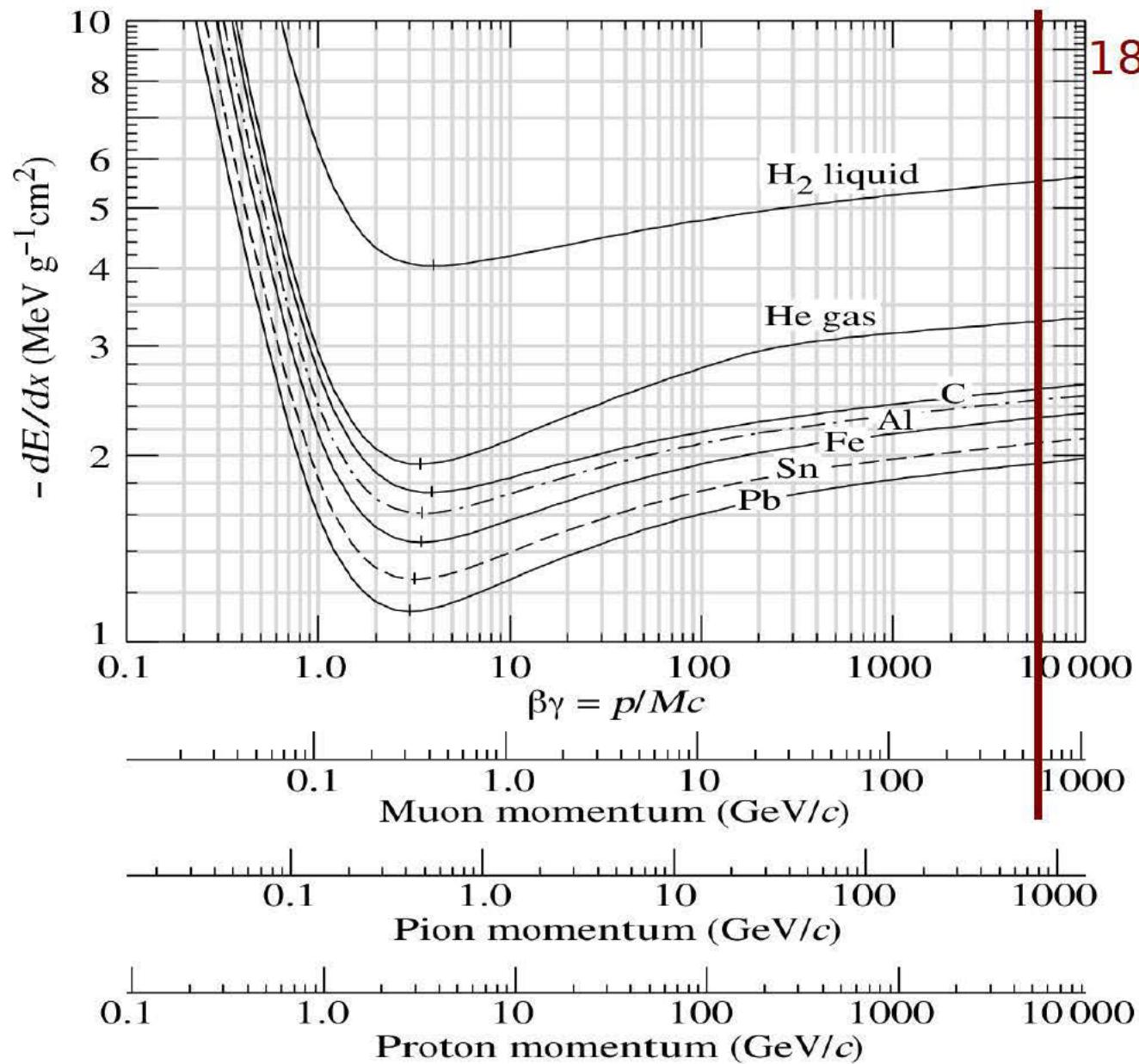
- ▶ Cluster Size, Efficiency, Resolution, ...



Thank You. Questions?

Backup

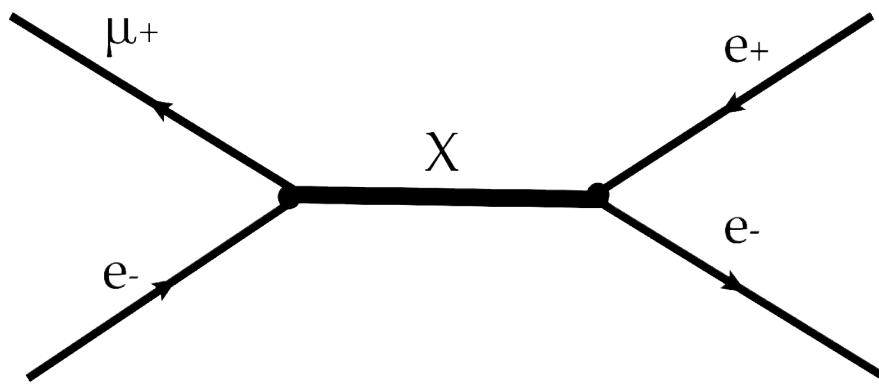
Bethe-Bloch



J. Beringer et al. (Particle Data Group), Phys. Rev. D86, 010001 (2012)

New Physics Diagrams

Generic Tree Level



Supersymmetry

