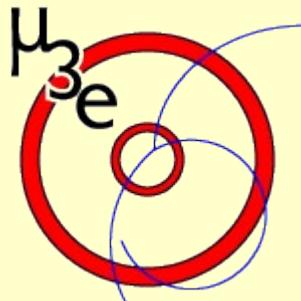


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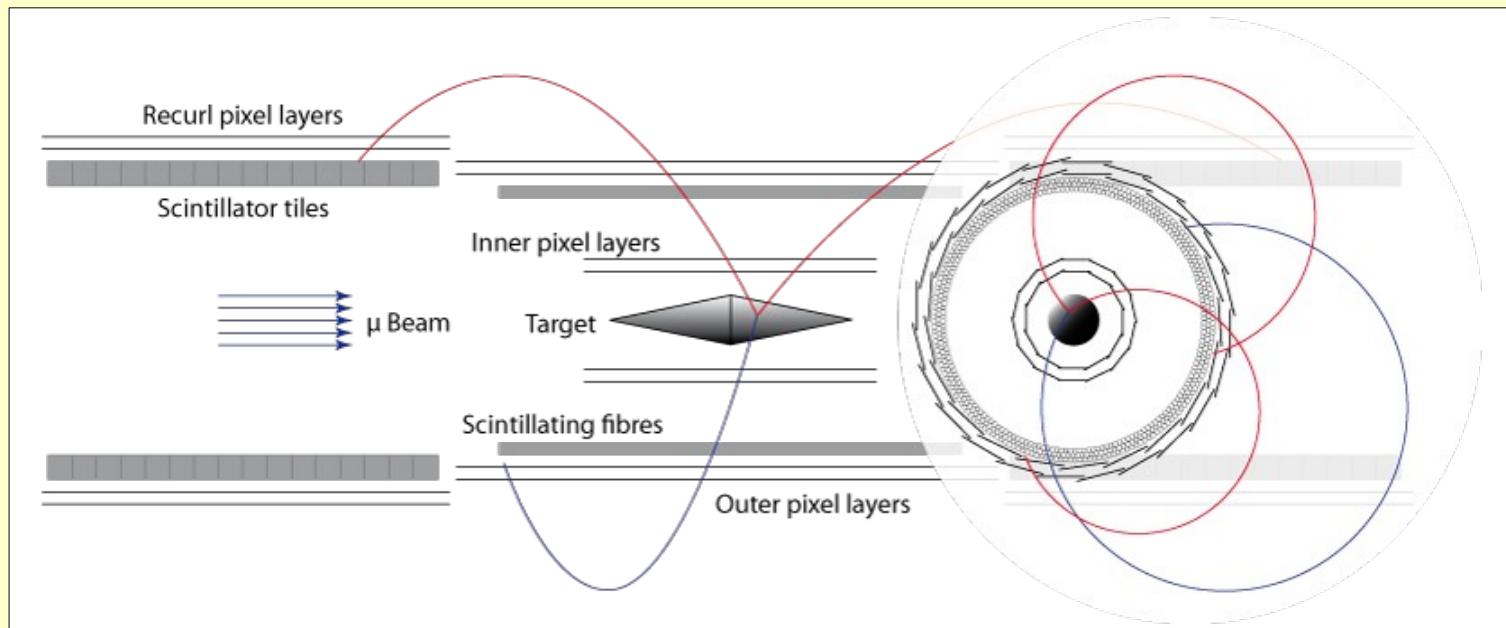


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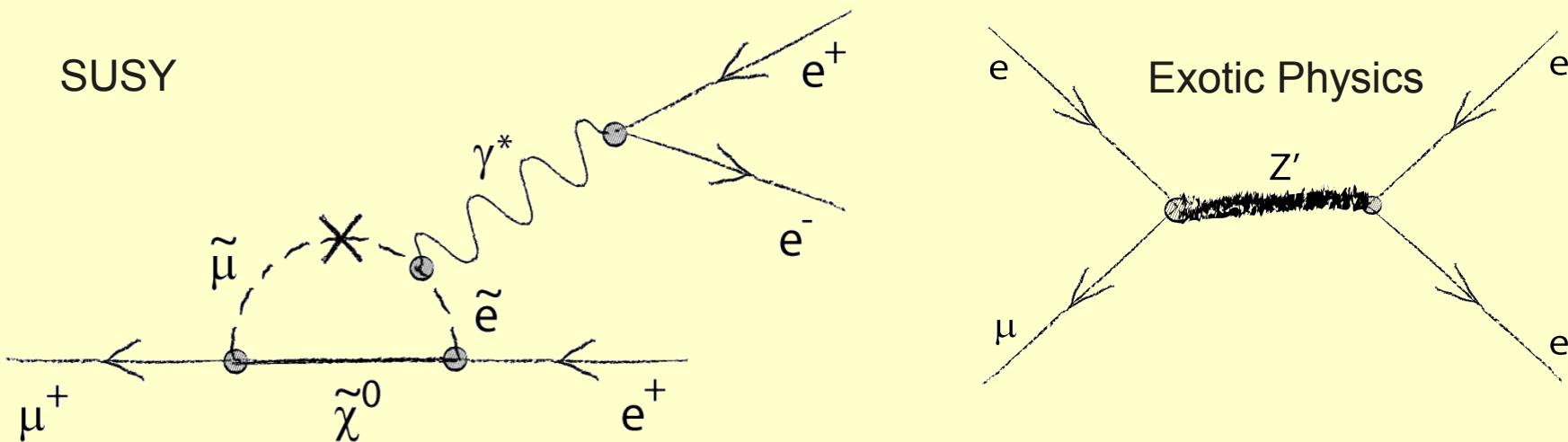
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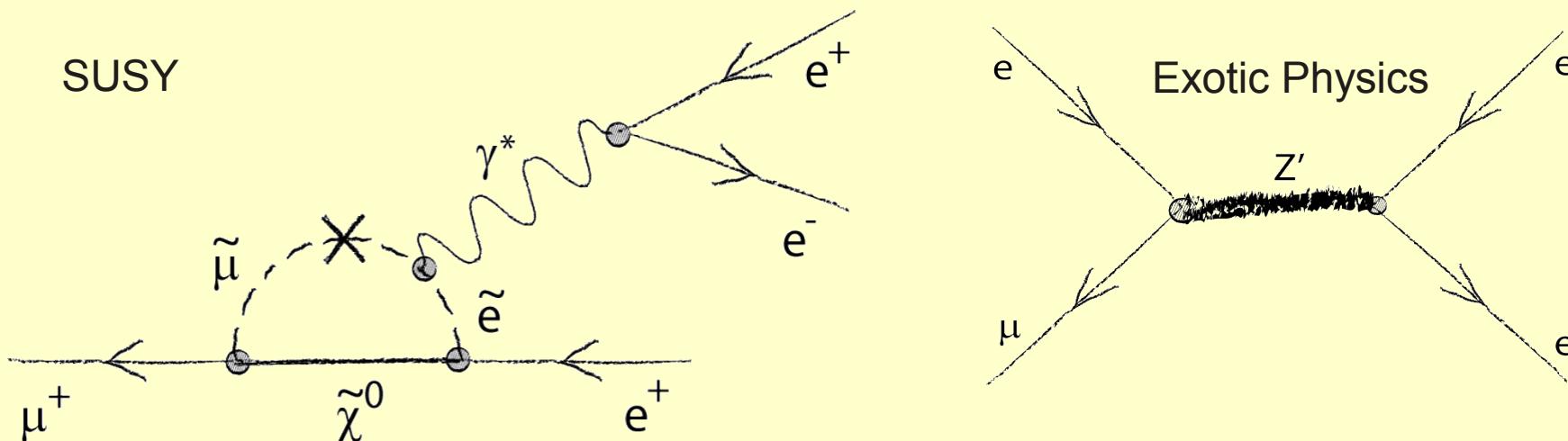
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Current experimental limit:

$$B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^-) < 10^{-12} \quad (90\% CL, SINDRUM 1988)$$

Our ultimate Goal:

$$B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^-) < 10^{-16} \quad (90\% CL exclusion)$$

$$B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^-) \sim 2.5 \cdot 10^{-16} \quad (5 \text{ sigma discovery})$$

# Letter of Intent for an Experiment to Search for the Decay $\mu \rightarrow eee$

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## 2. Theory

## 3. Experimental Situation

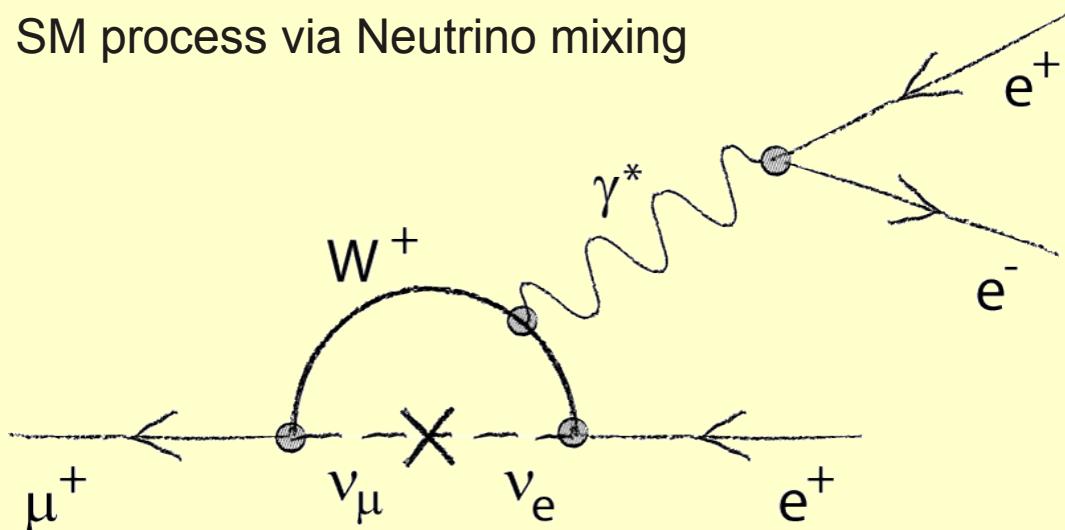
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## 5. The novel experiment

## 6. Timetable + Costs

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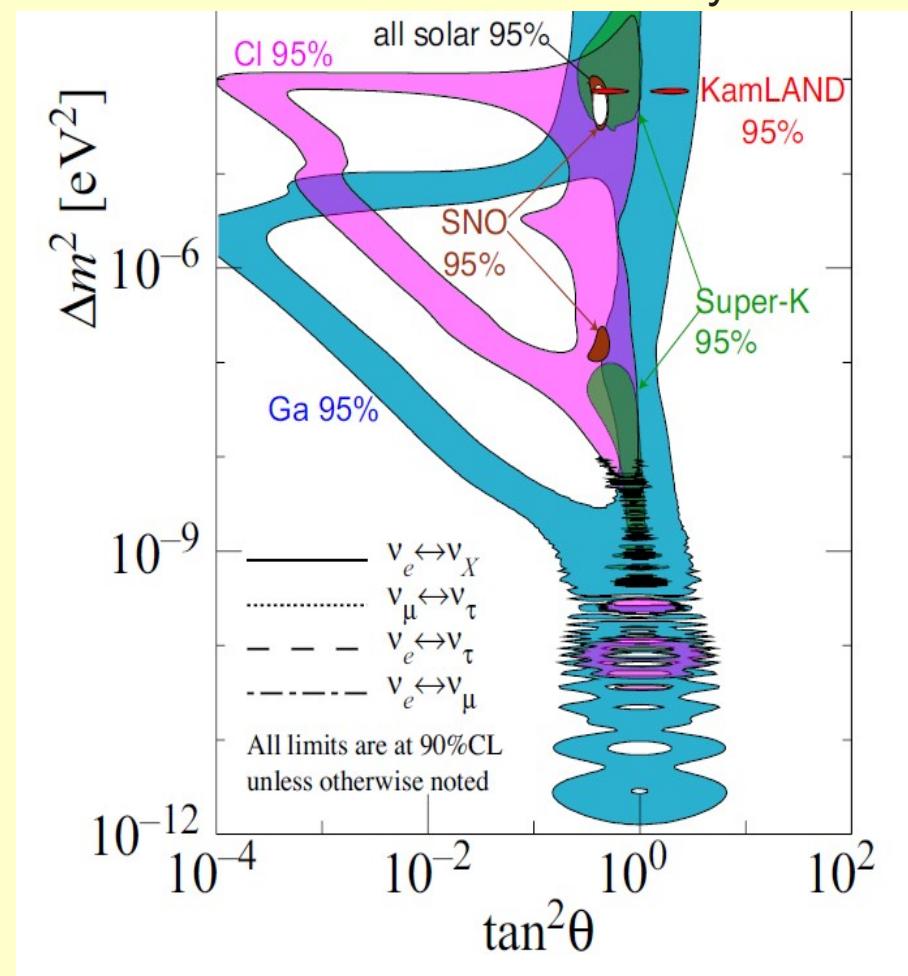
SM process via Neutrino mixing



process is heavily suppressed  
due to small mass difference  
of neutrinos!

$$B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^-) \ll 10^{-50}$$

Neutrino Oscillation Summary Plot



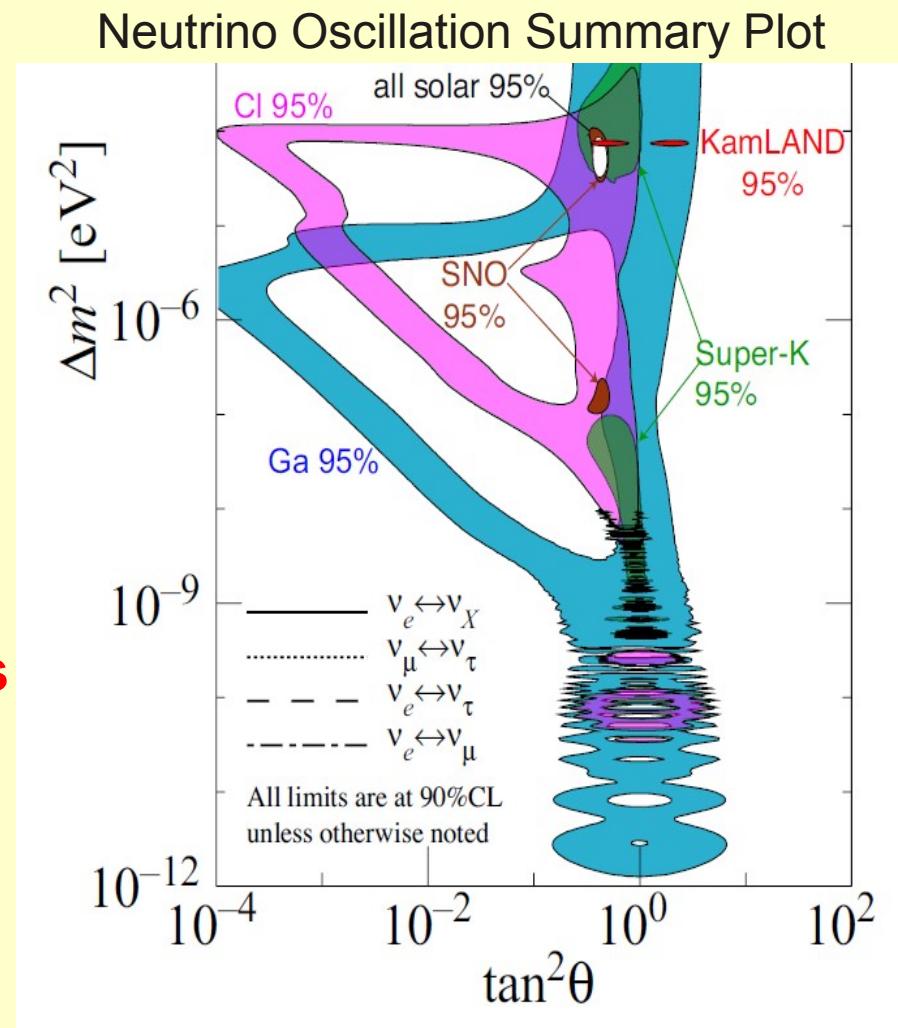
# Beyond the Standard Model

Lepton Flavor Violation predicted by many New Physics models:

- Supersymmetry
- Higgs Triplet Models
- Little Higgs Models
- New Heavy Vector bosons ( $Z'$ )
- Leptoquarks (GUT models)
- Extra Dimensions (KK towers)

In many models observable LFV effects are expected, related to the mixing large observed in lepton sector

$B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^-) \sim 10^{-12}$  possible



# Effective cLFV Lagrangian

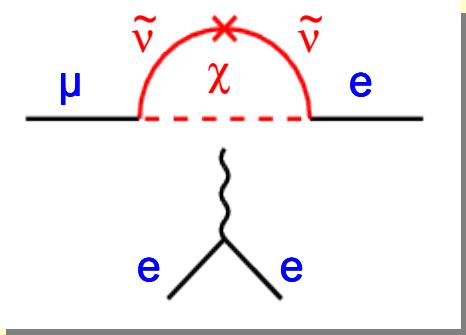
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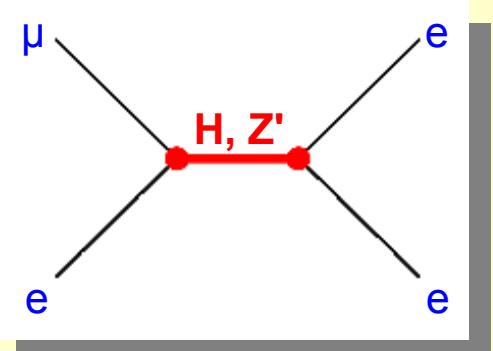


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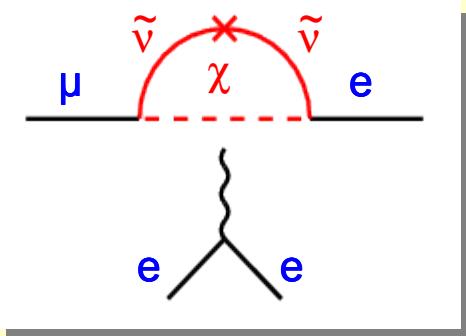
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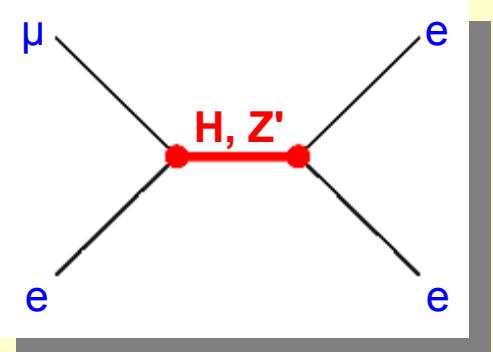


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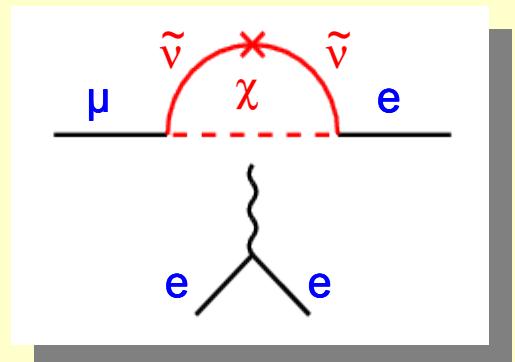
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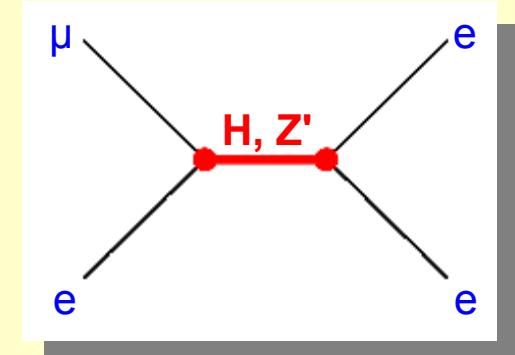
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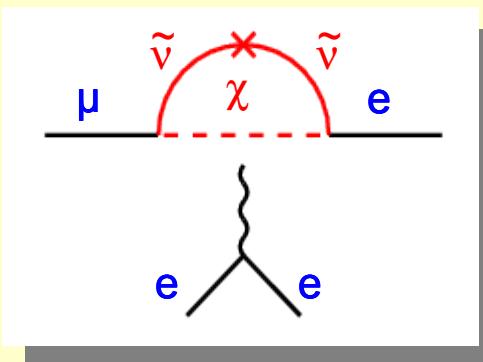
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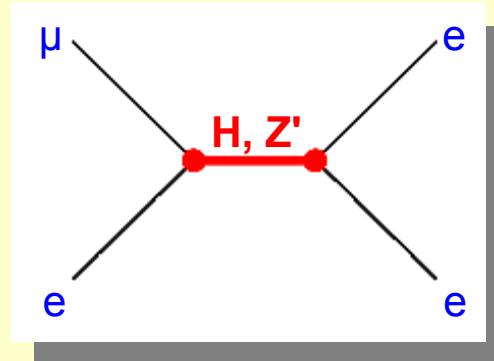
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Effective cLFV Lagrangian:

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$$\kappa = \infty$$

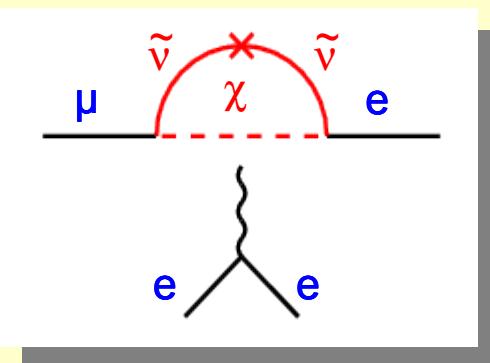
$$= 1/\kappa$$

$\Lambda$  = effective mass scale (including coupling)

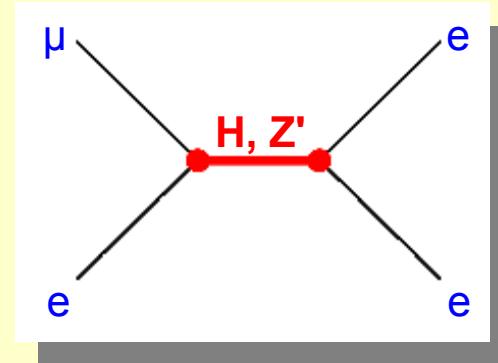
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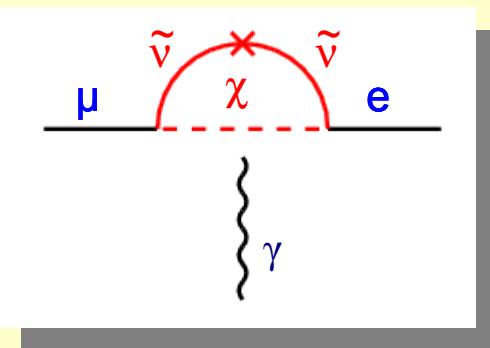
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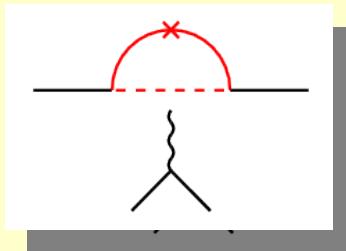


**Mu3e sensitive  
to additional diagrams!**

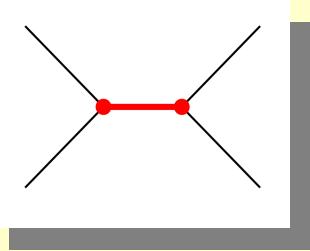
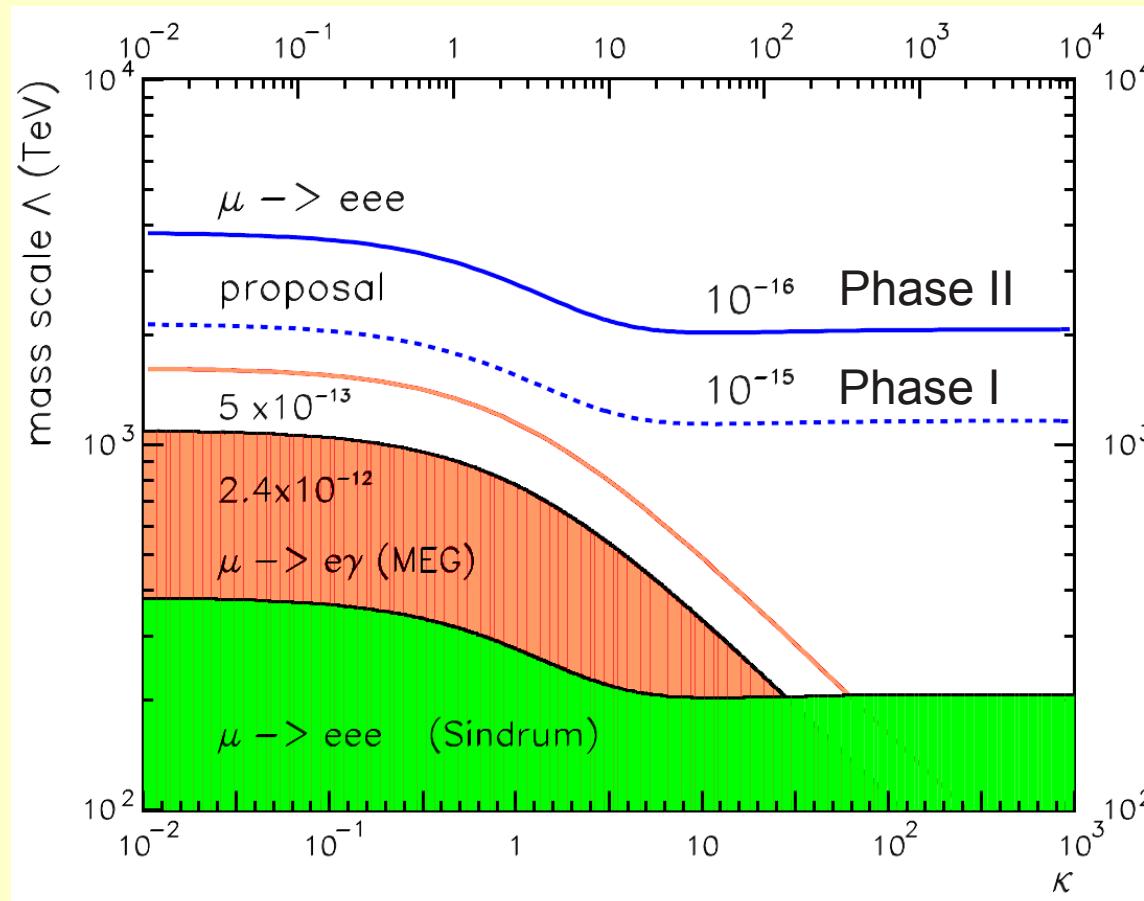
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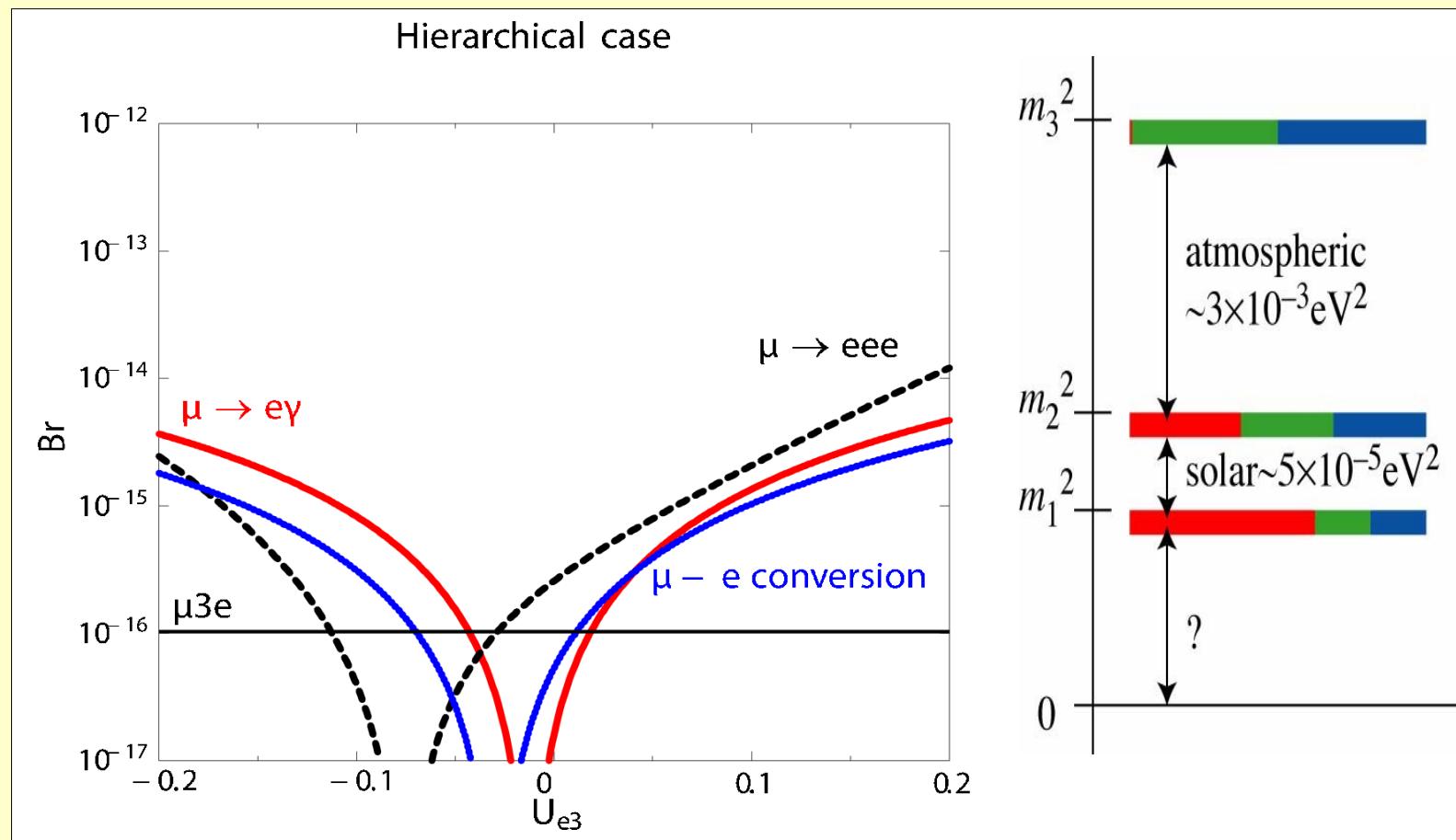
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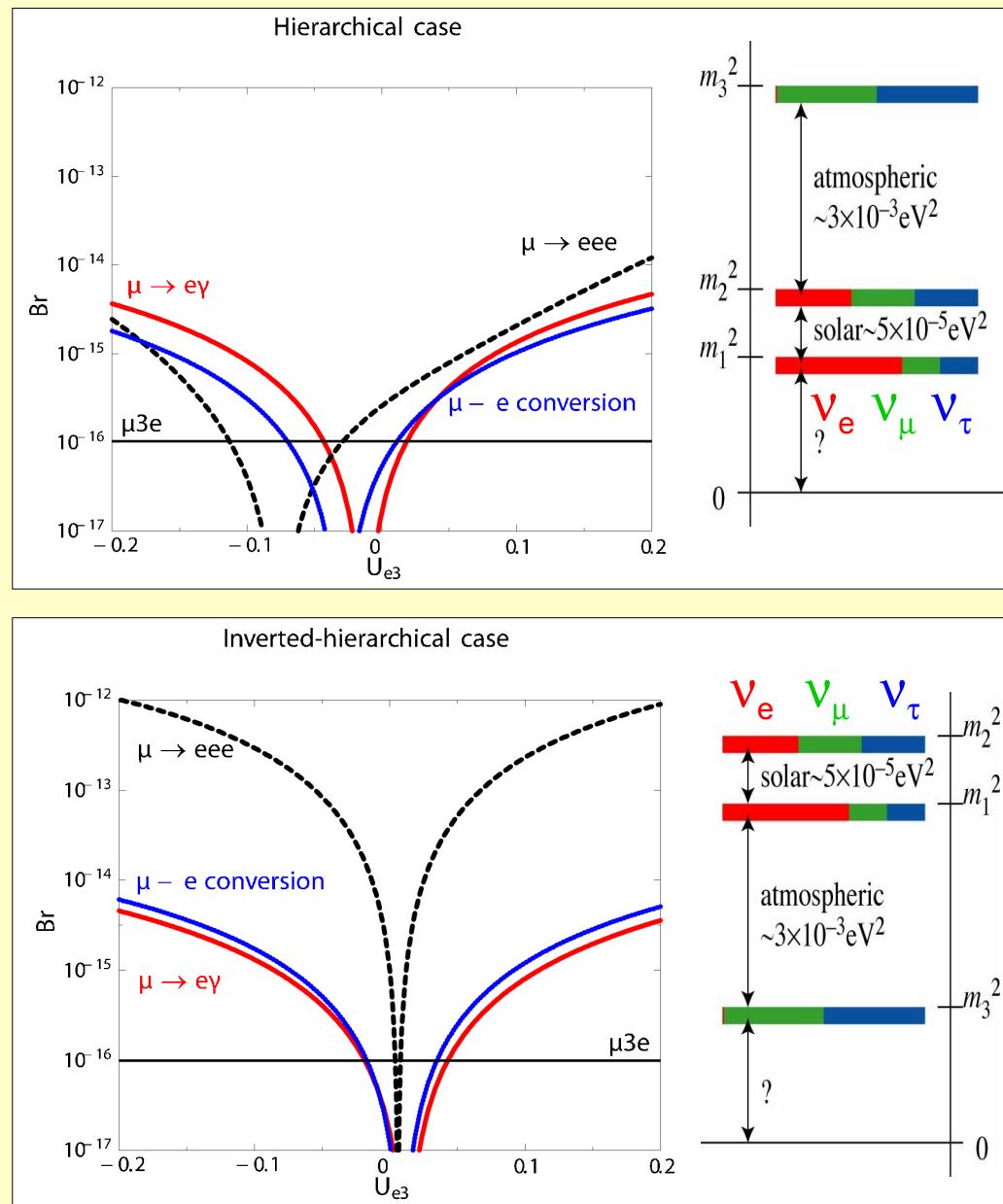
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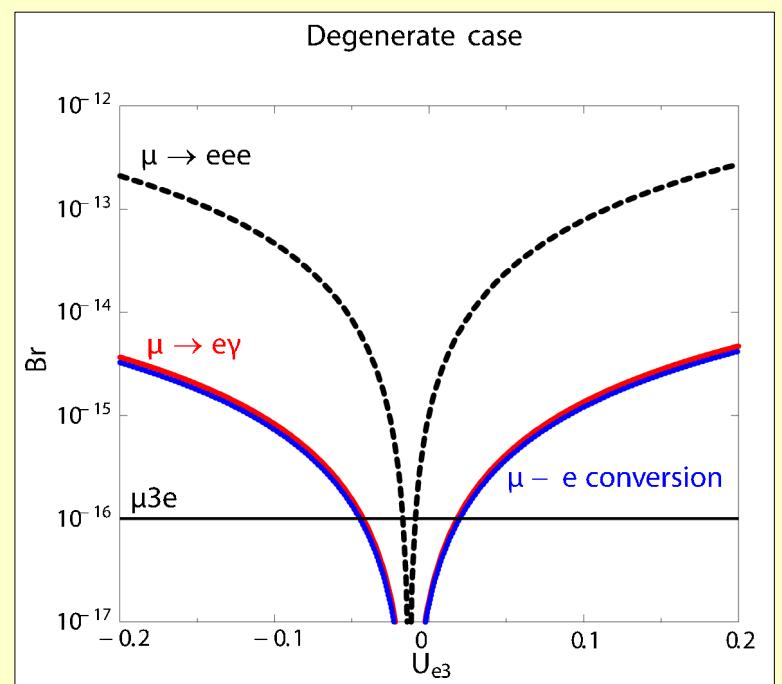
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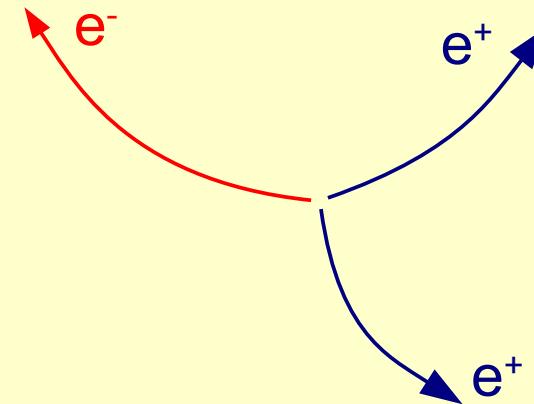
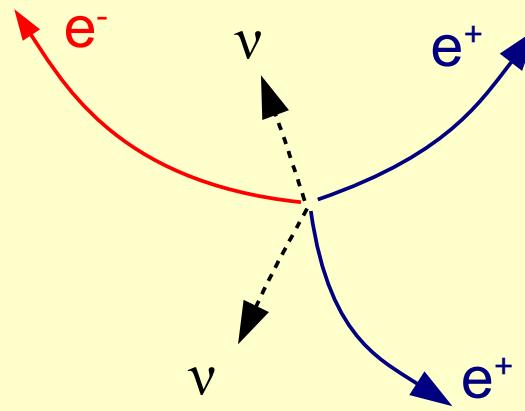
$$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.085 \pm 0.029(\text{stat}) \pm 0.042(\text{syst})$$

(accelerator and reactor)

# **Experimental Situation**

# Backgrounds

Irreducible BG: radiative decay with internal conversion

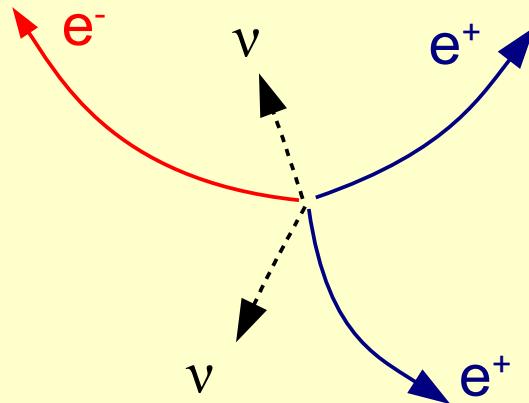


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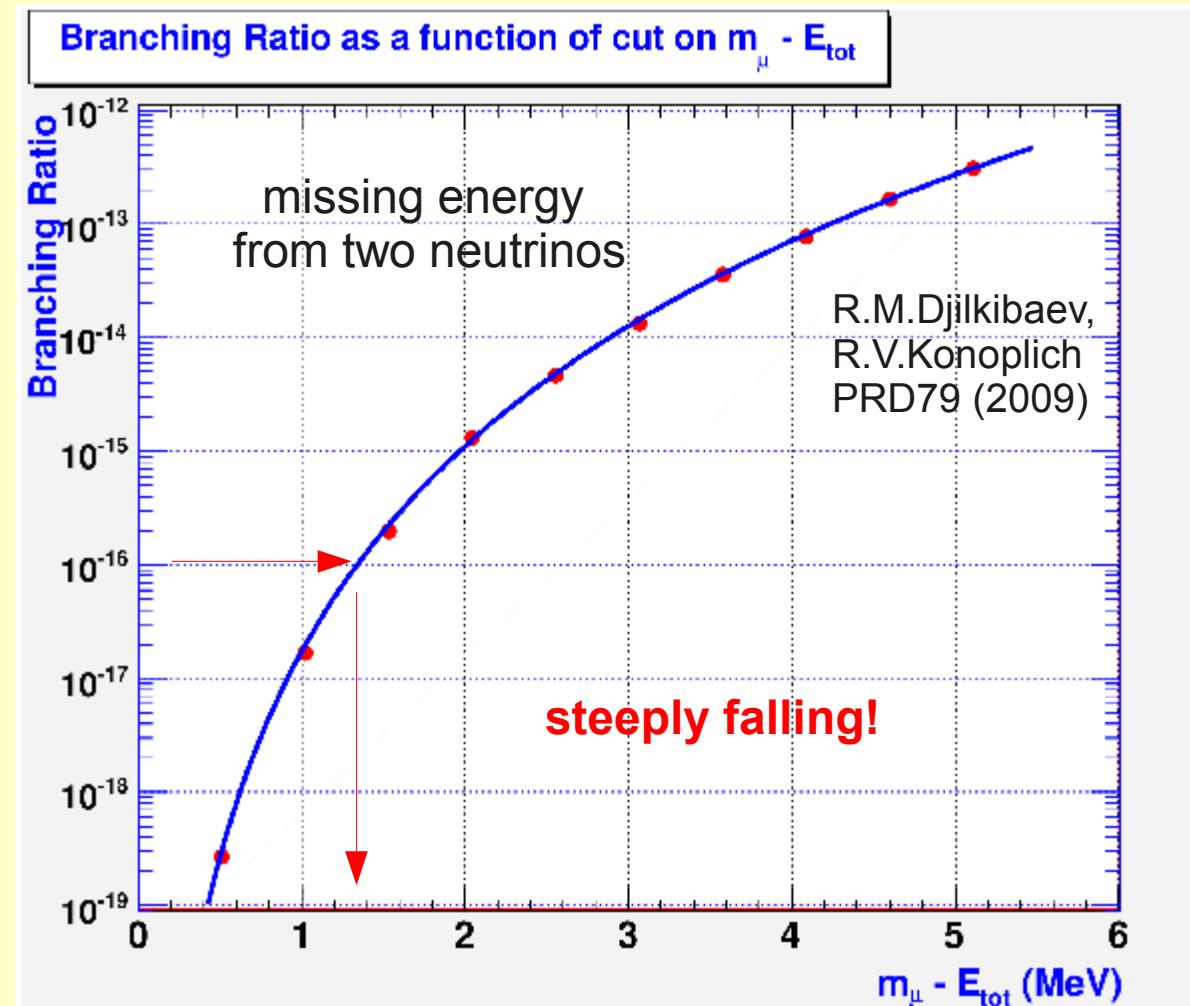
$$\sum_i E_i = m_\mu$$
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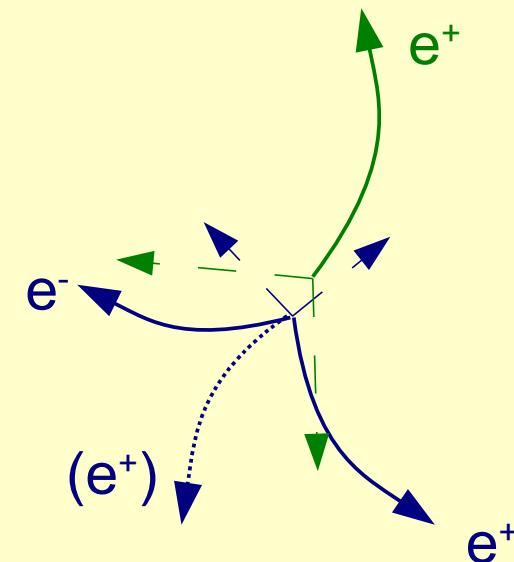
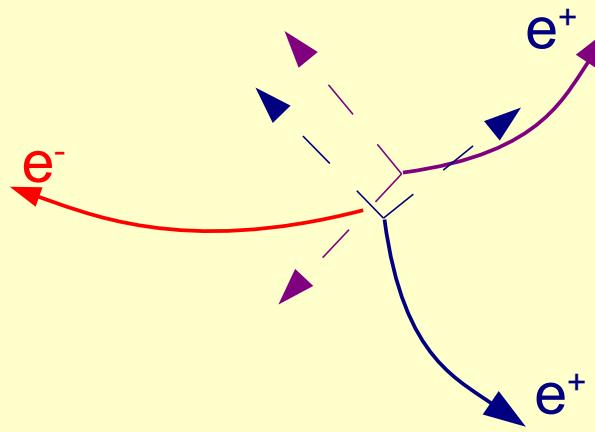


• very good momentum and total energy resolution required!

# Accidental Backgrounds

- **Combinatorial Background (Pile up):**

- Two muon decays  $2 \times (\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \nu \bar{\nu})$  and one fake  $e^-$  (wrong charge: reconstruction, Bhabha, back-curling  $e^+ \rightarrow e^-$ )
- Radiative decay with internal conversion  $\mu^+ \rightarrow (e^+) e^+ e^- \nu \bar{\nu}$  overlayed with muon decay  $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$



Combinatorial BG can be largely reduced by imposing

- precise timing (TOF)
- precise vertexing
- precise kinematics

# History

- **Sindrum (NP B299 1, 1988)**

$$\sigma_p/p \text{ (50 MeV/c)} = 5.1\%$$

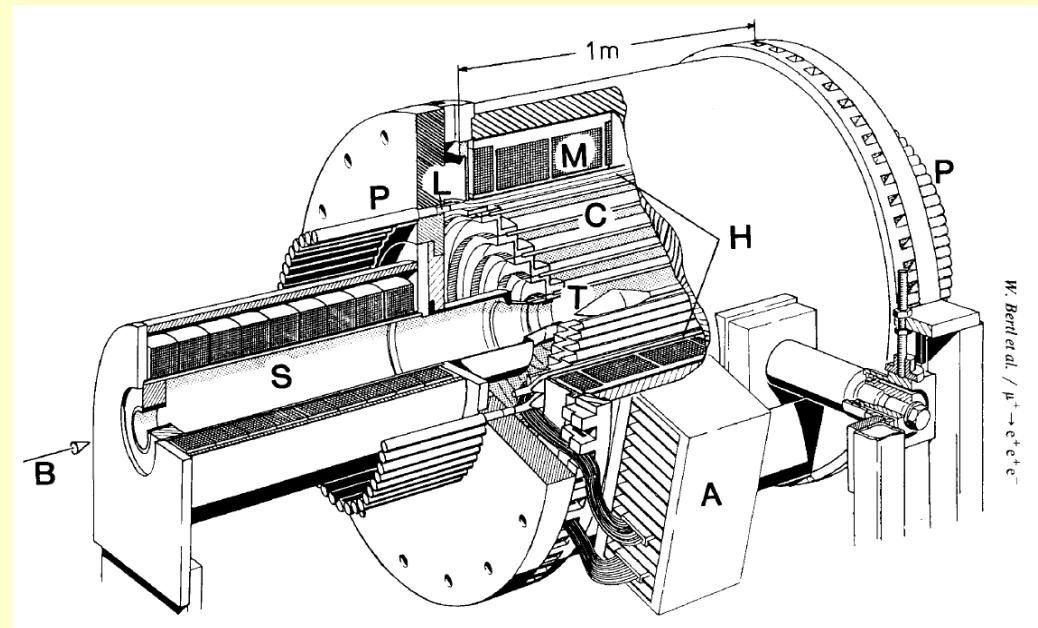
$$\sigma_p/p \text{ (20 MeV/c)} = 3.6\%$$

$$\sigma_\theta \text{ (20 MeV/c)} = 28 \text{ mrad}$$

$$\text{VTX: } \sigma_d = \sim 1 \text{ mm}$$

$$X_0(\text{MWPC}) = 0.08\% - 0.17\% \text{ per layer}$$

$$B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^-) < 10^{-12} \text{ (90\% CL)}$$



B = beam

S = solenoid

M = magnet

C = multiwire proportional chamber

H = hodoscope

- **Mu3e:**

- factor **~10** better **spatial** and **kinematic** resolution
- high rate of  **$2 \cdot 10^8 - 2 \cdot 10^9$  muons/s** on target
- **$B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^-) < 10^{-15} - 10^{-16}$**

# Tracking - Technology Choice

## Tracking detectors

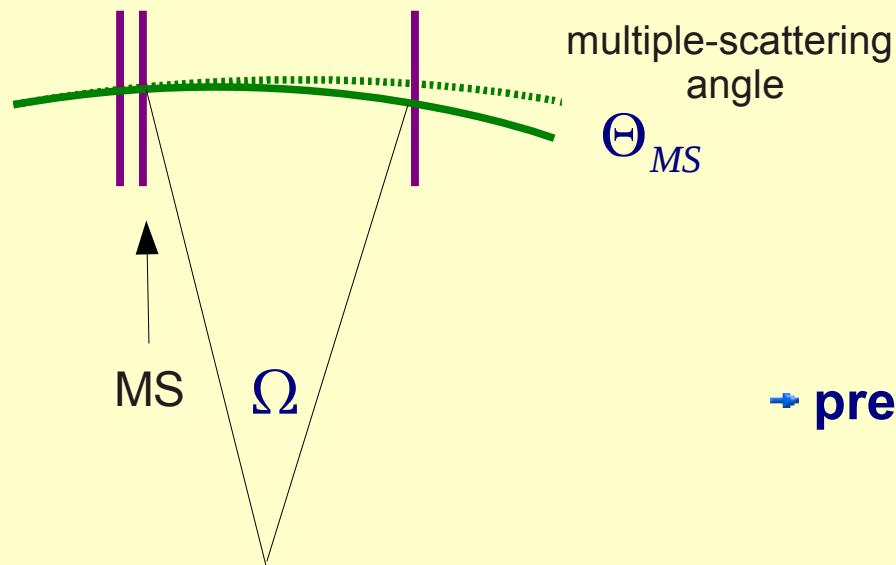
- High rates and aging effects prohibitive for gaseous detectors
  - Solid state detectors
- Precise spatial resolution for vertexing and momentum reconstruction
  - Silicon pixel sensor
- Momentum resolution dominated by multiple scattering in range of interest (~10-53 MeV):

$$\Theta_{MS} \sim \frac{1}{P} \sqrt{X/X_0}$$

- Very thin silicon pixel sensor

# Momentum Resolution I

- Momentum resolution given by (linearised):



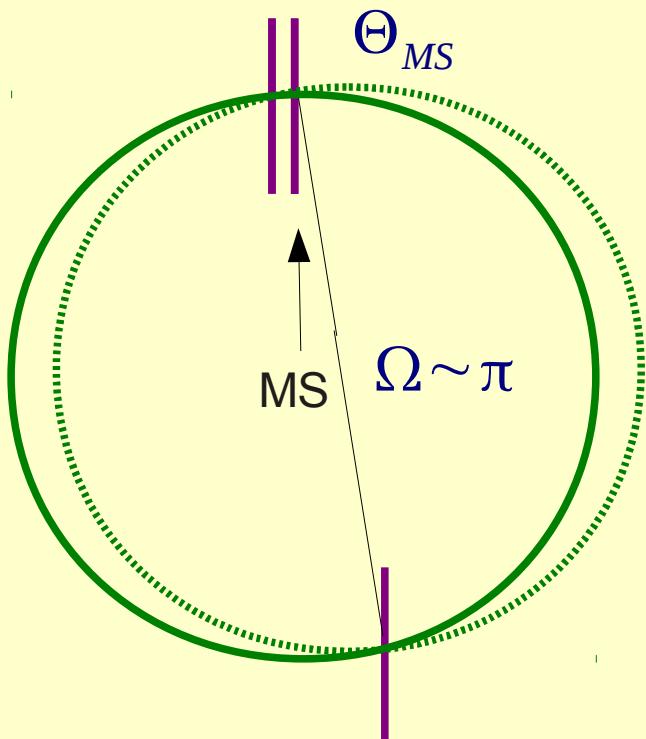
$$\frac{\sigma_p}{P} \sim \frac{\Theta_{MS}}{\Omega}$$

→ precision requires large lever arm  
(large bending angles  $\Omega$ )



# Momentum Resolution II

- Momentum resolution for **half turns** given by:



$$\frac{\sigma_p}{P} \sim O(\Theta_{MS}^2)$$

- best precision for **half turns**
- design tracking detector for measuring **recurlers**

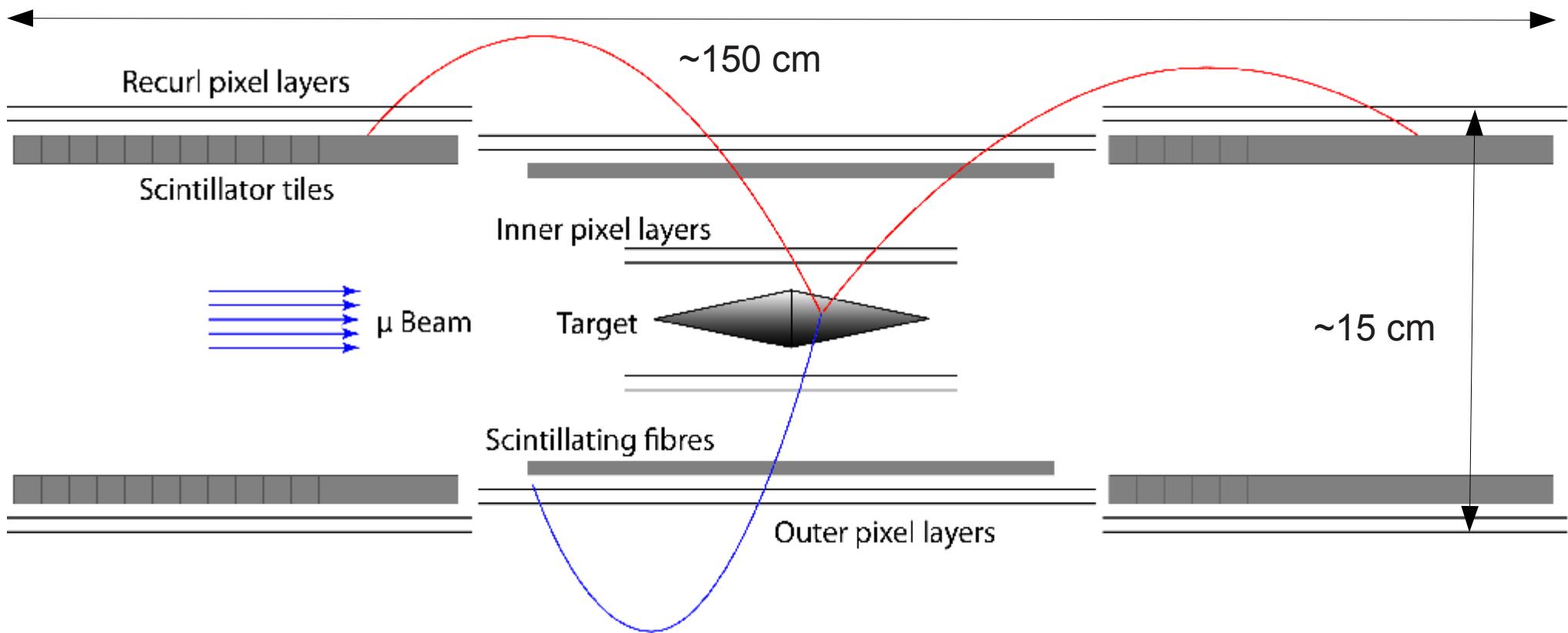


# **Experimental Proposal**

# Mu3e Baseline Design

Long cylinder!

not to scale

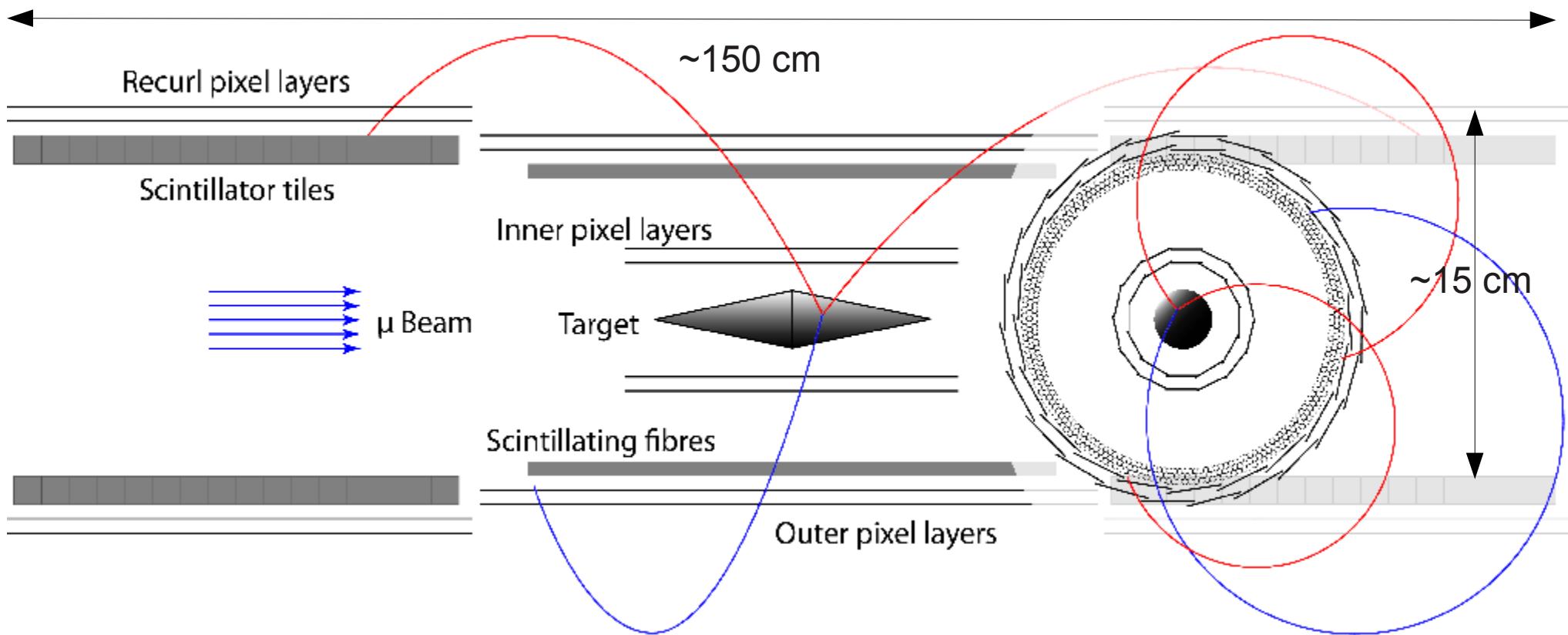


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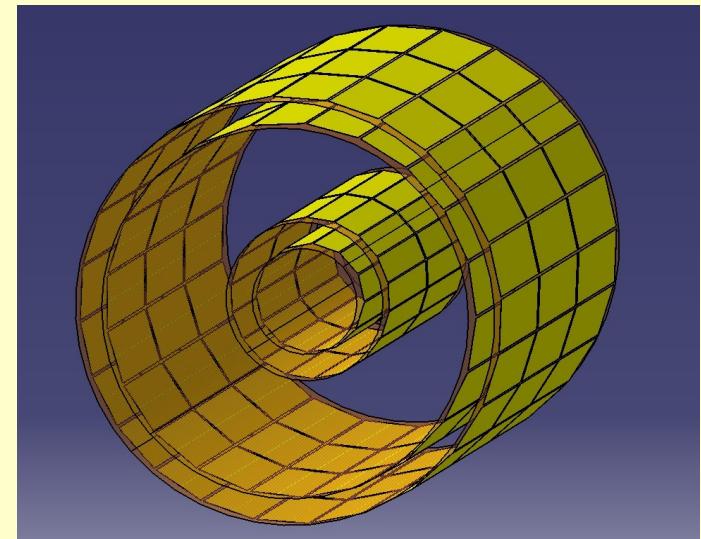
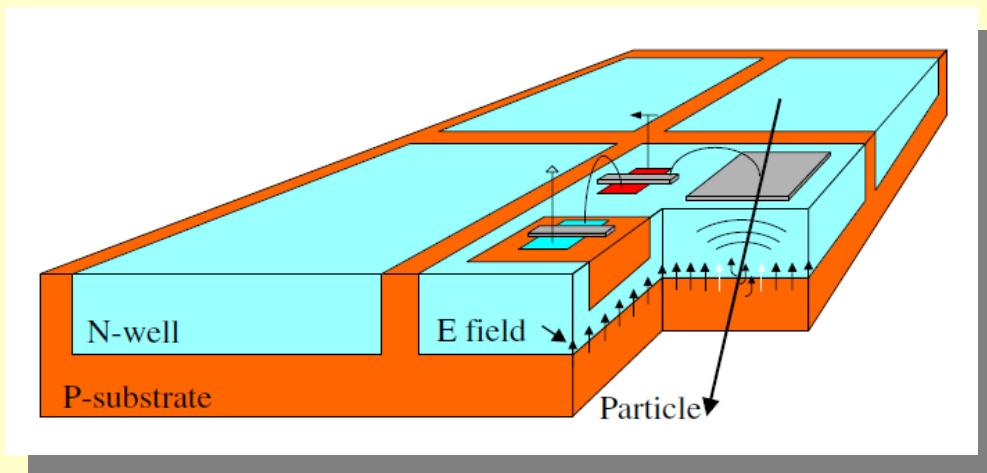
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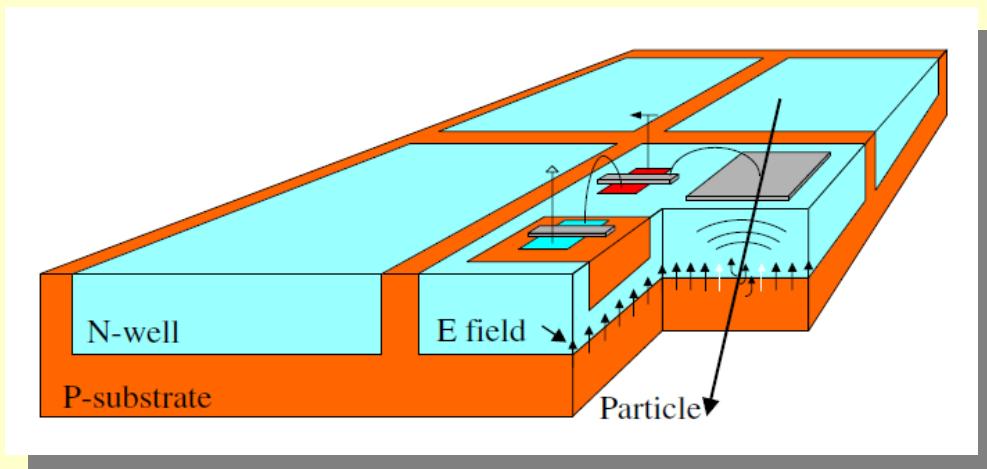


## Technology Choice

### High Voltage Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors (HV-MAPS)

- high precision → pixels  $80 \times 80 \mu\text{m}^2$  ( $27 \times 40 \mu\text{m}^2$  currently in test)
- can be “thinned” down to **30  $\mu\text{m}$**  ( $\sim 0.0004 X_0$ )
- low production costs (standard HV-CMOS process, 60V)
- active sensors → small RO bandwidth, no bump bonding required
- triggerless and fast readout
- low power

# High Voltage Monolithic CMOS Pixel



transistor logic embedded in N-well  
("smart diode array")

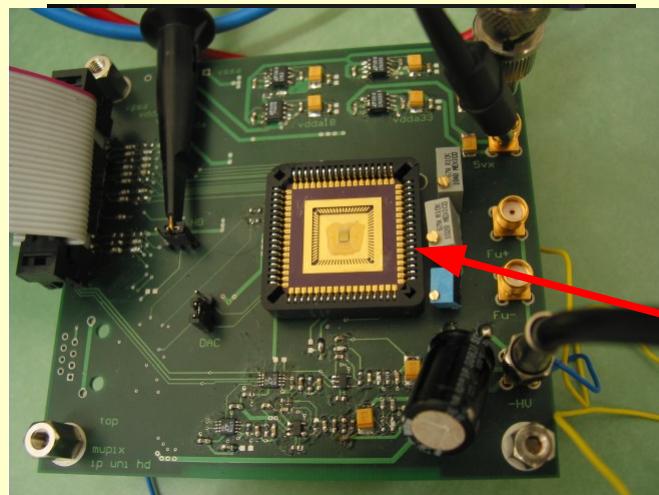
**New Technology!**

I.Peric, P. Fischer et al., NIM A 582 (2007) 876 (ZITI Mannheim, Uni Heidelberg)

Sensors tested successfully:

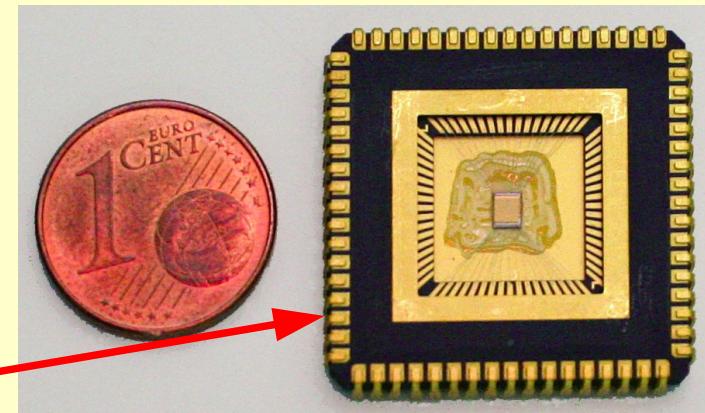
- low noise: S/N = 30 – 50
- radiation tolerant
- high efficiency

# Pixel Detector Hardware and Tests



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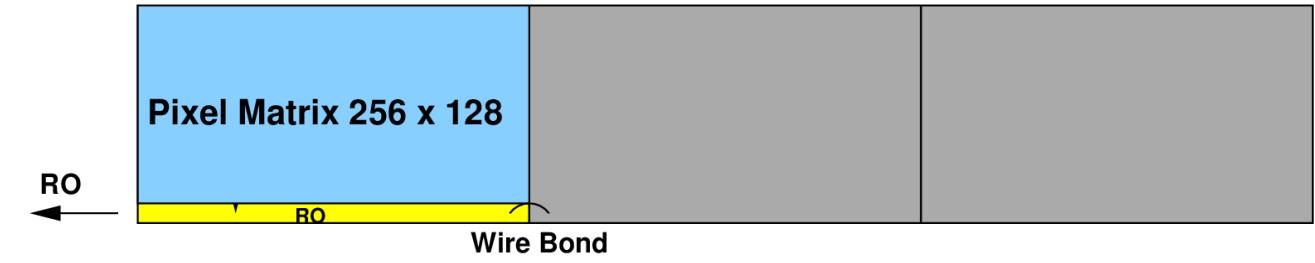
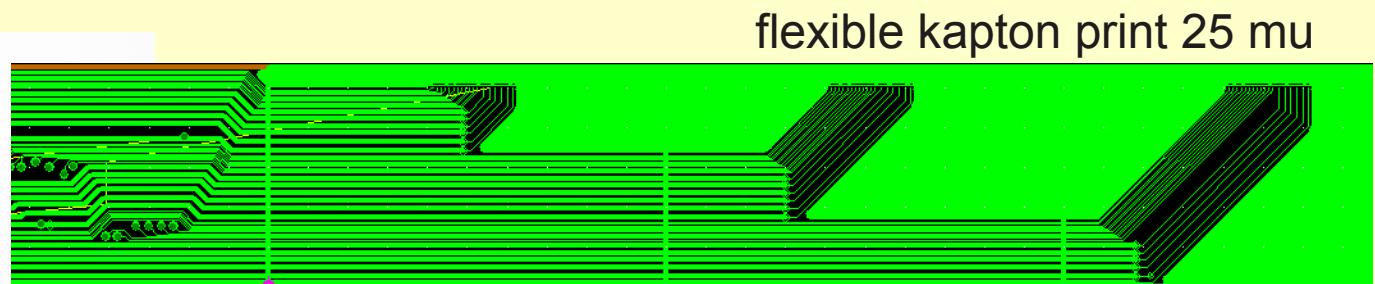
prototype 180 nm



Plan: construct barrel prototype in 2012

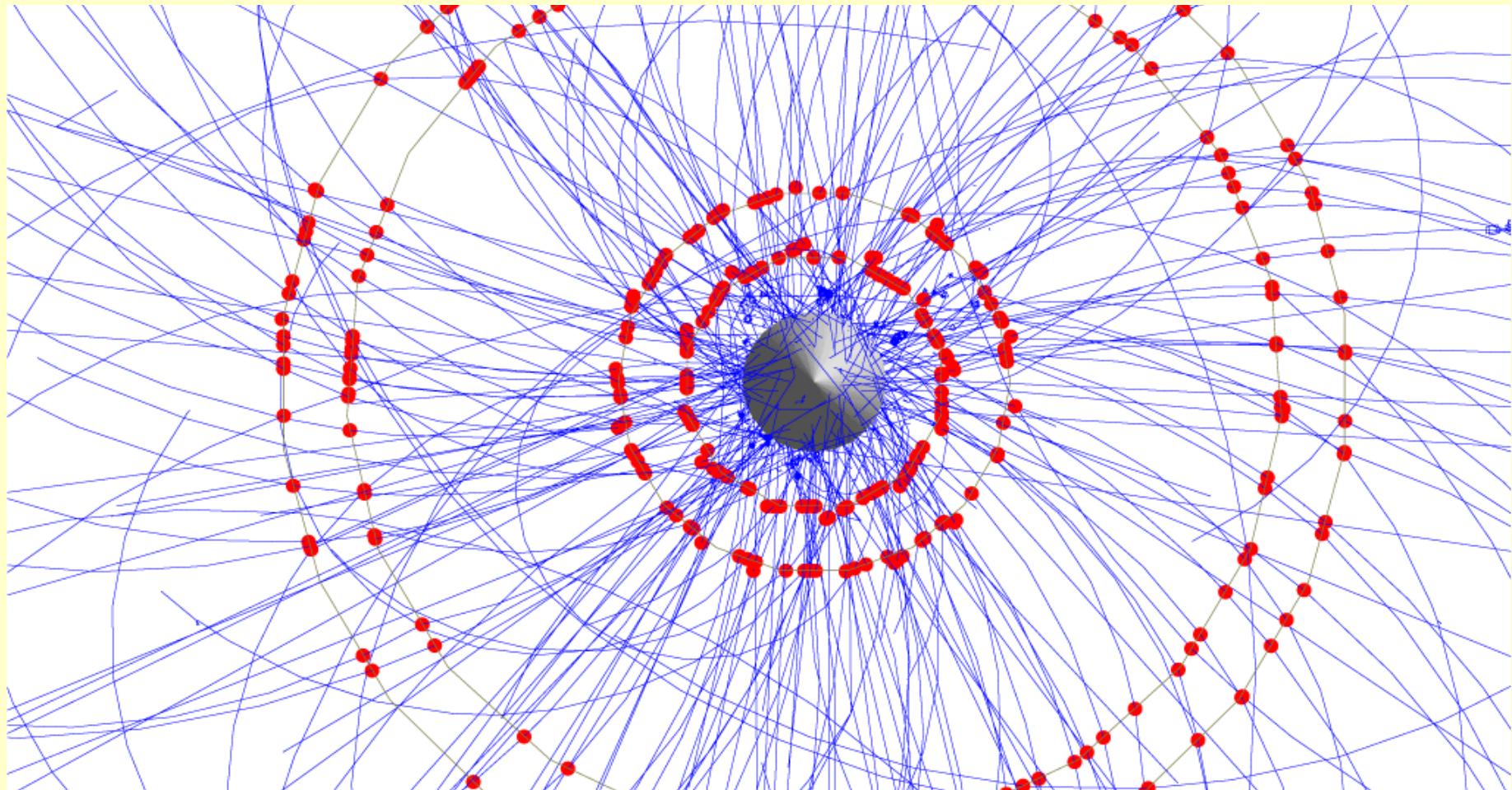


Support structure  
25 mu Kapton



# Pixel: Readout Frames 50 ns

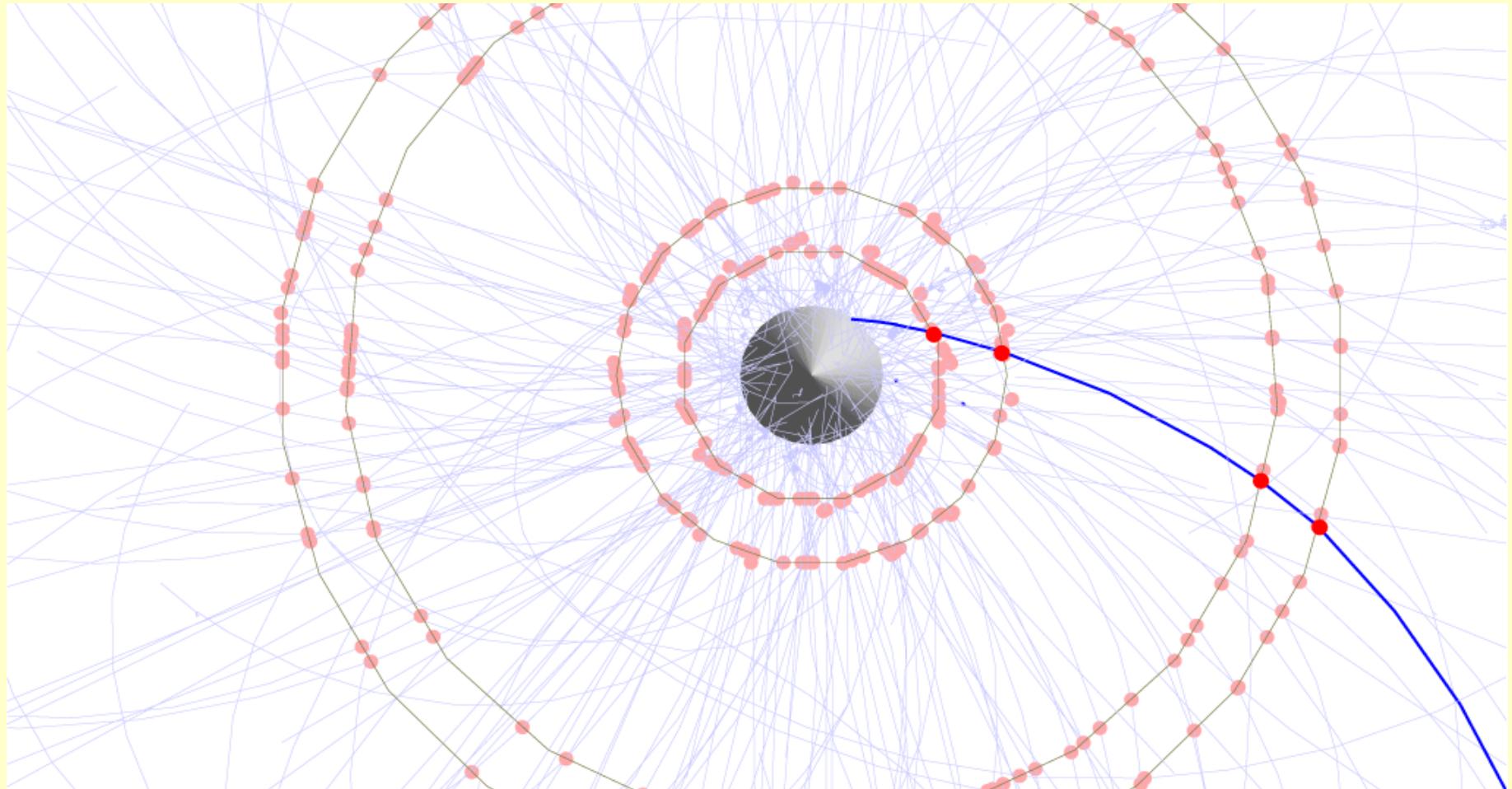
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Intrinsic timing resolution of silicon pixel: <50 ns

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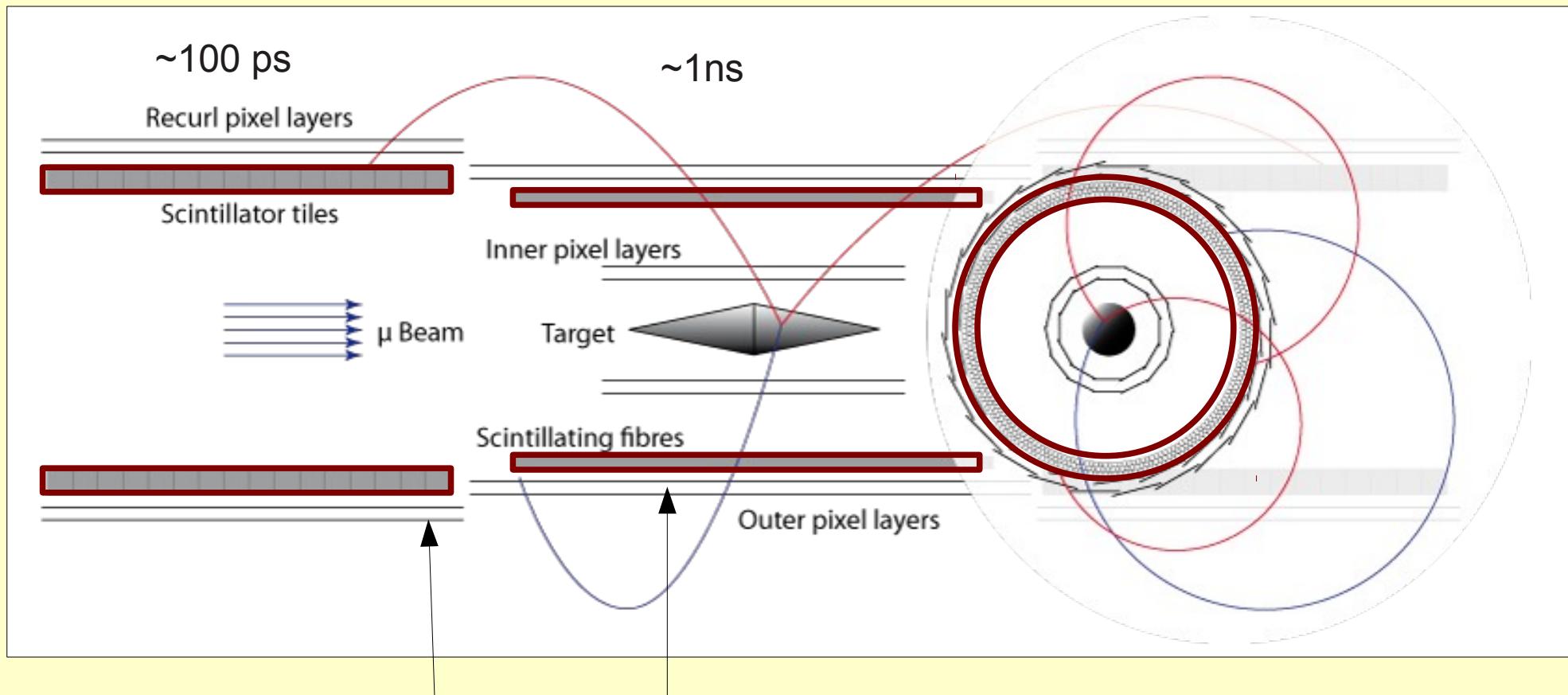
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- additional Time of Flight (ToF) detectors required < 1ns

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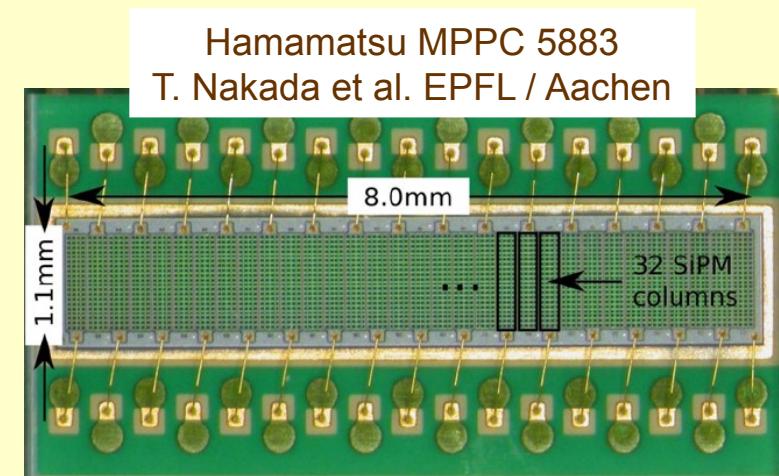
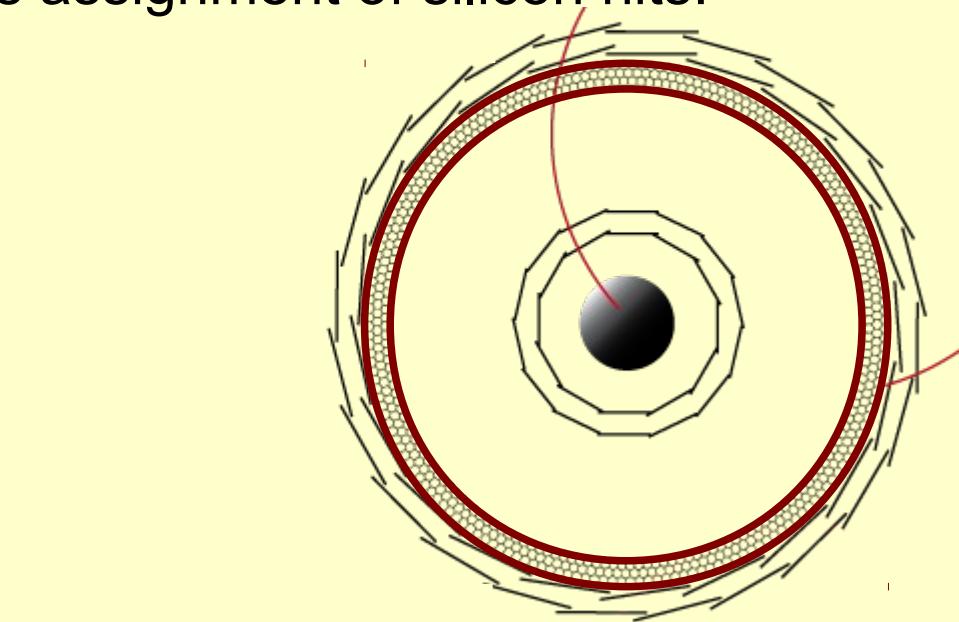
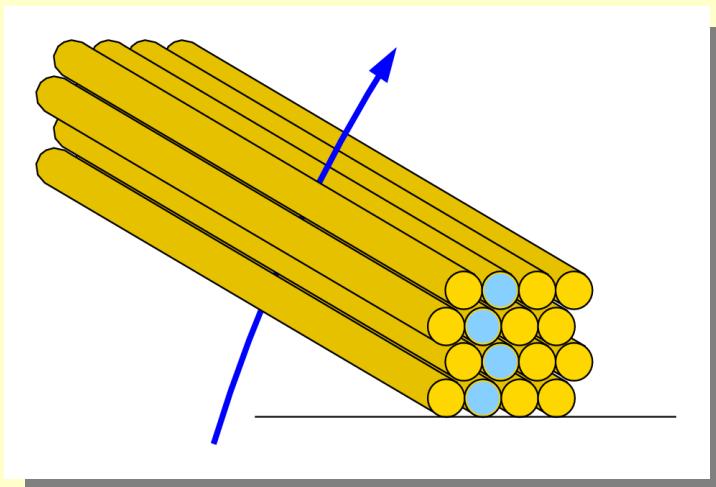
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**Scintillating tiles and fibers (Universities Geneva + Zurich)**

# Scintillating Fiber Tracker

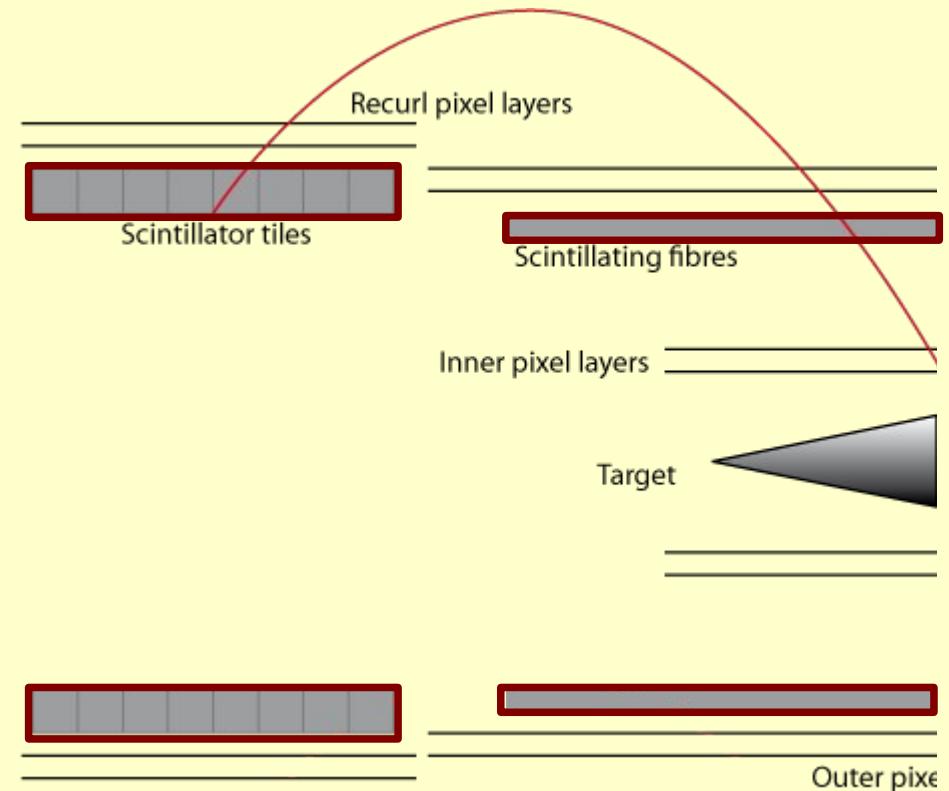
- high spatial resolution for unambiguous assignment of silicon hits:
- scintillating fibers:
  - x-y plane:  $\varnothing = 200\text{-}250 \mu\text{m}$  fibers
- photosensor
  - Hamamatsu MPPC arrays (SiPM)
  - high gain  $>10^5$ , high frequency  $> 1\text{MHz}$
- time resolution  $<1 \text{ ns}$
- prototype planned for summer 2012



(in collaboration with EPFL (Nakada et al.))

# Scintillating Tiles

- scintillating tiles of size  $\sim 1 \text{ cm}^2$
- timing resolution of  $\sim 100 \text{ ps}$
- light guides
- photosensor (SiPM)

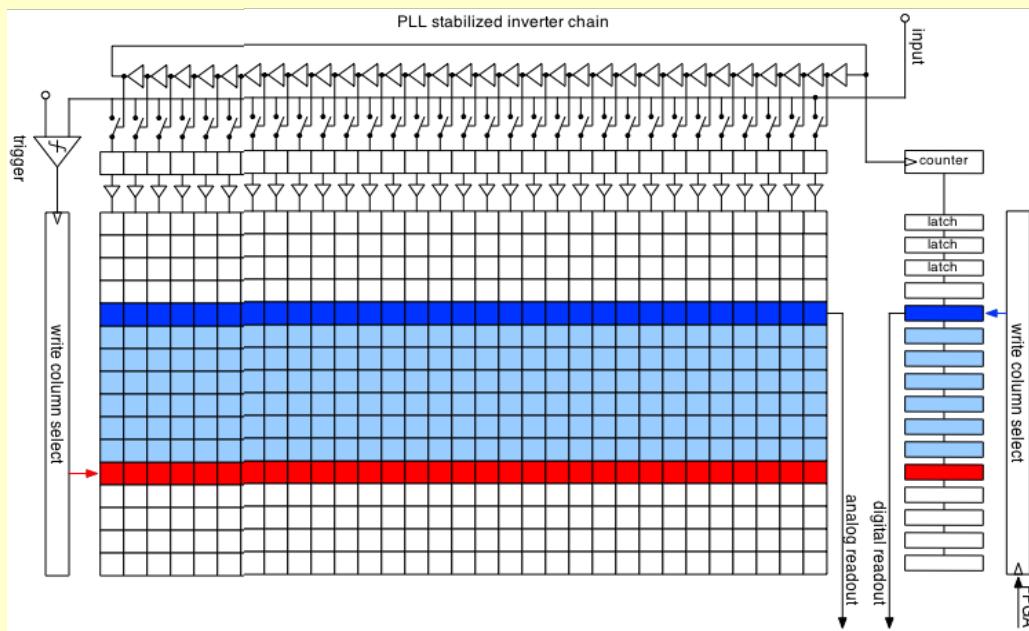
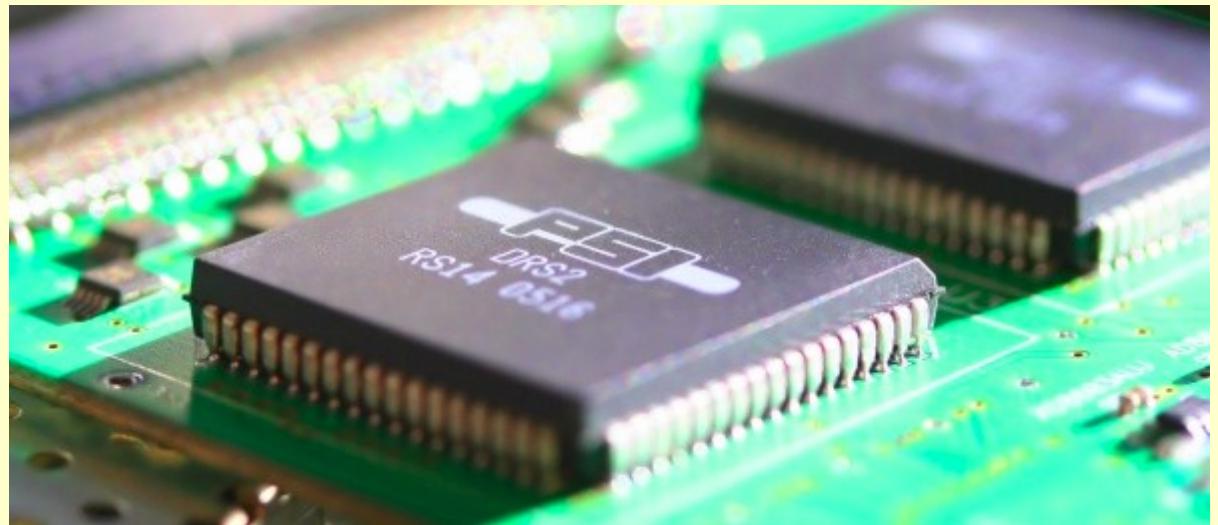


**Timing information from tiles and scintillating fibers will help to reduce accidental backgrounds and ease track reconstruction**

# ToF Readout + New DRS5 Chip

## DRS4 chip (PSI)

- switched capacitor chip
- 8+1 Channels
- 700 MS/s- 5 GS/s

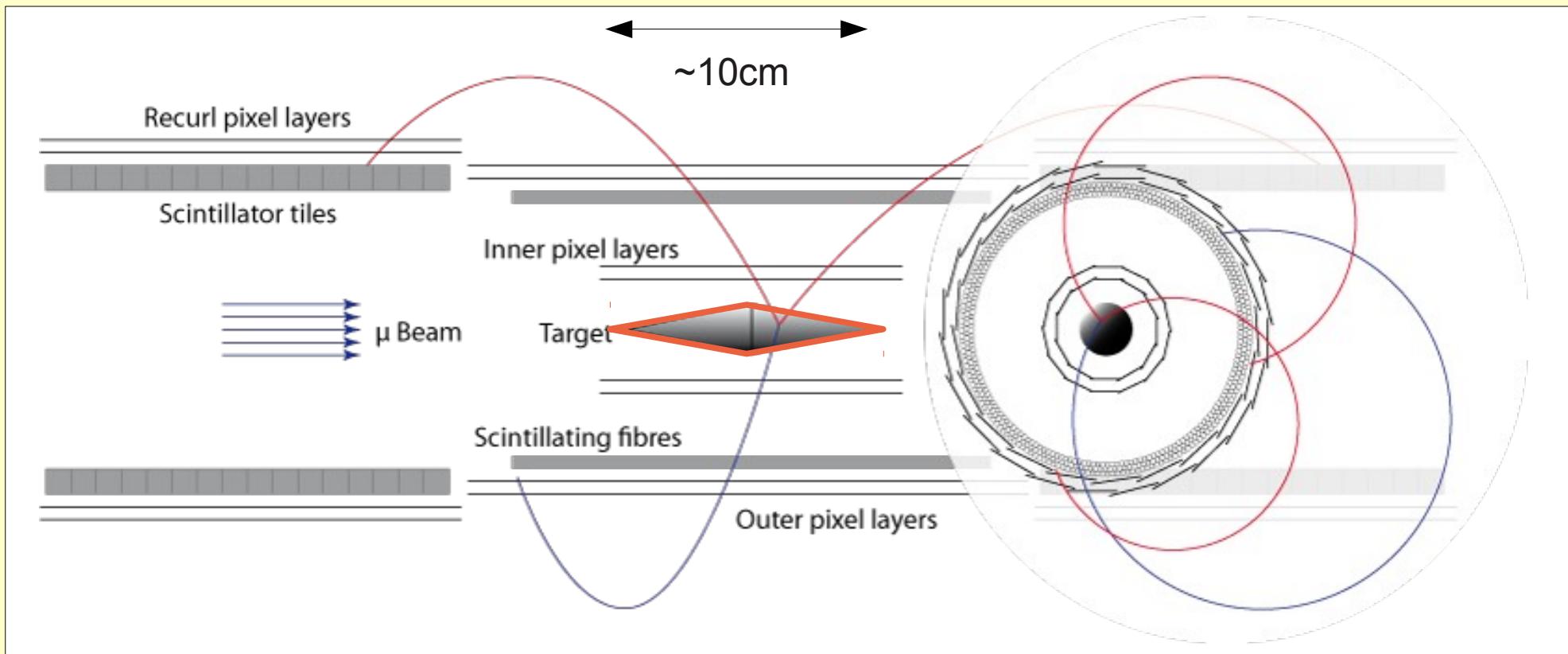


## New DRS5 chip (PSI)

- first prototype mid 2012
- $\geq 2$  MHz continuous hit rate
- considered for Mu3e - ToF readout

# Muon Stopping Target

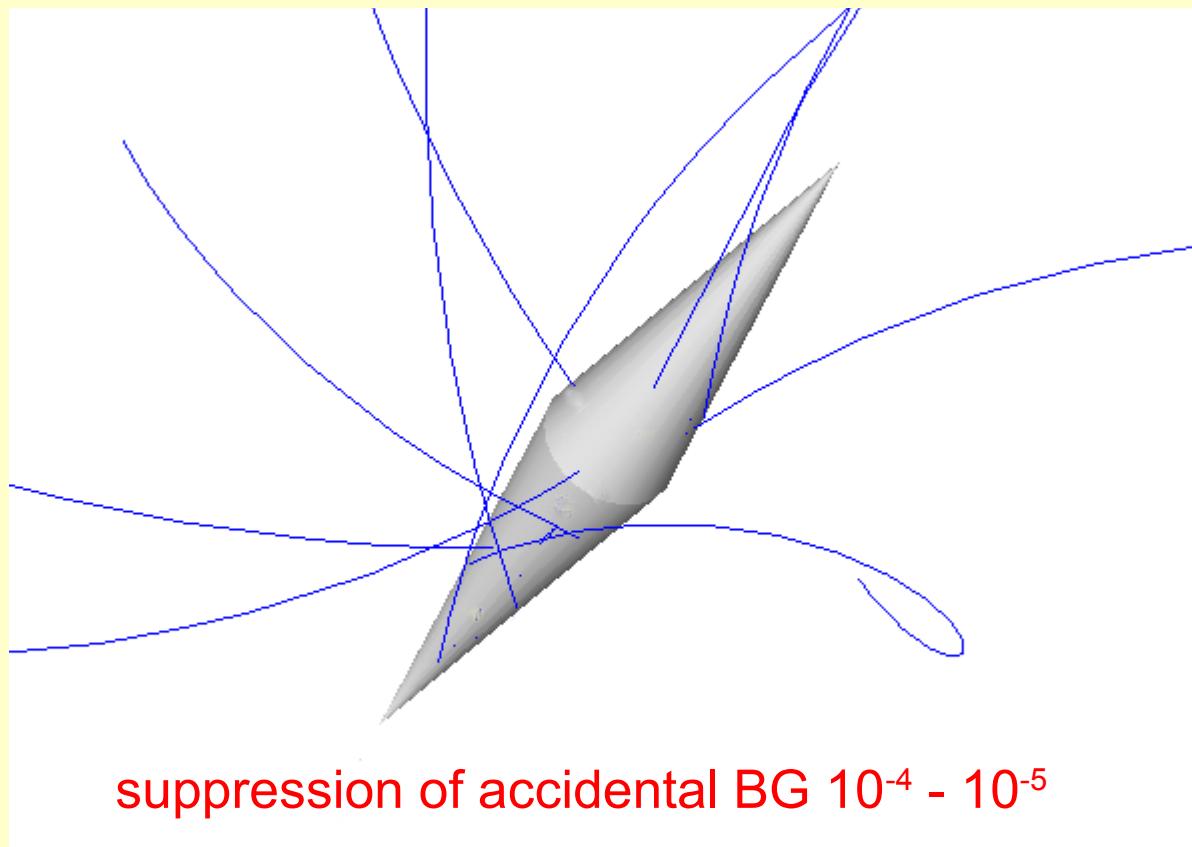
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- Sindrum-like extended target
- hollow double cone target (e.g. 90  $\mu\text{m}$  Al)

# Muon Stopping Target

Pixel detector: vertex resolution  $\sim 120 \mu\text{m}$



- **Sindrum-like extended target**
- **hollow double cone target (e.g. 90  $\mu\text{m}$  Al)**

# DAQ and Online Filter Farm

## Data Acquisition:

- **pixel detector:**
  - ✚ number of (zero suppressed) channels **250 million**
  - ✚ per **50 ns** readout frame **~2000** hits
- **fiber tracker:**
  - ✚ number of (zero suppressed) channels about **10k**
- **for muon stop rate of  $\sim 2 \cdot 10^9$  ( $2 \cdot 10^8$ ) muons per second**
  - ✚ raw data rate  **$\sim 150$  (15) Gbyte/s** (large but smaller than at LHC)

# DAQ and Online Filter Farm

- **Online software filter farm**

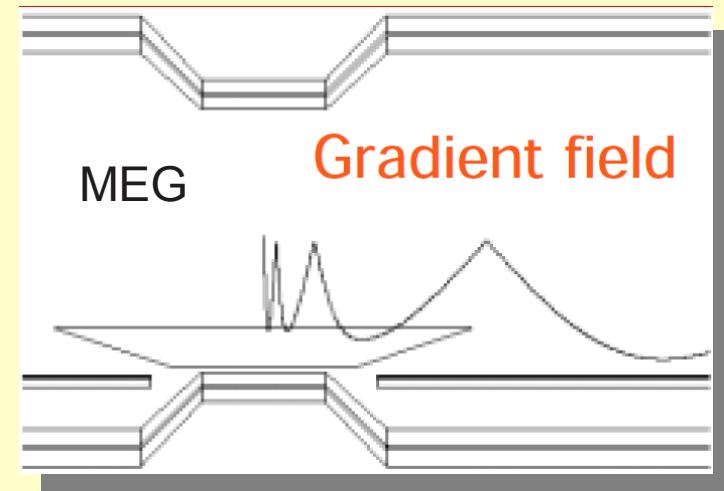
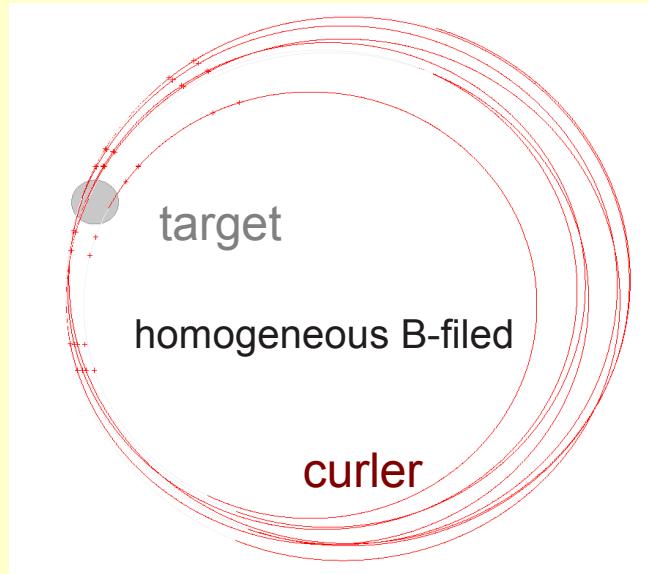
- continuous front-end readout (no trigger)
- FPGAs and Graphical Processor Units (GPUs)
- online track (event) reconstruction
- data reduction by factor  $\sim 1000$
- on tape  $\sim 100$  Mbyte/s



# Magnet: gradient or no gradient?

## Simulation Results for Baseline Design:

- 11 hits per electron gradient field
- 17 hits per electron homogeneous field



## Speed of Track Reconstruction:

- homogeneous field allows for fast non-iterative analytical calculation
- reconstruction speed important for online filtering!

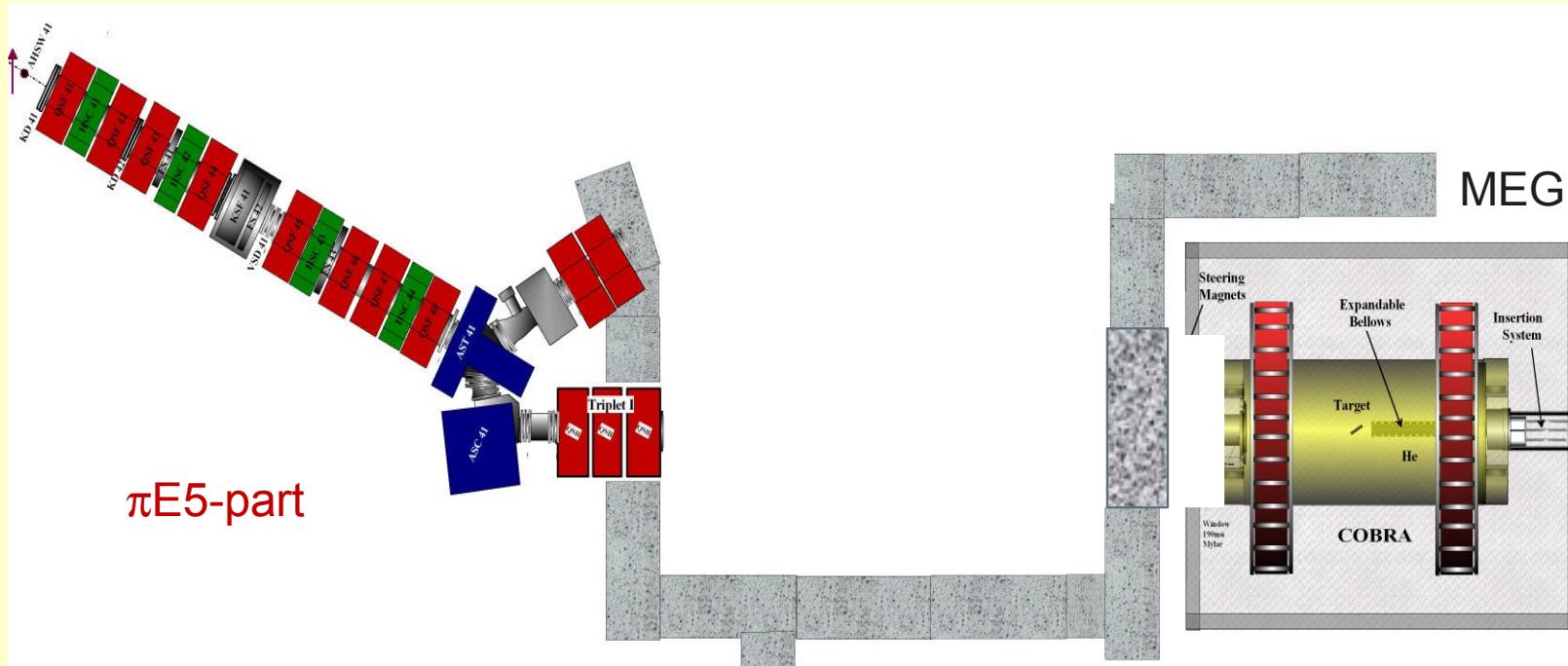


**Homogeneous magnetic field of about 1-1.2 Tesla preferred**

# Beaml ine Phase I

## Scenarios at beamline $\pi e5$

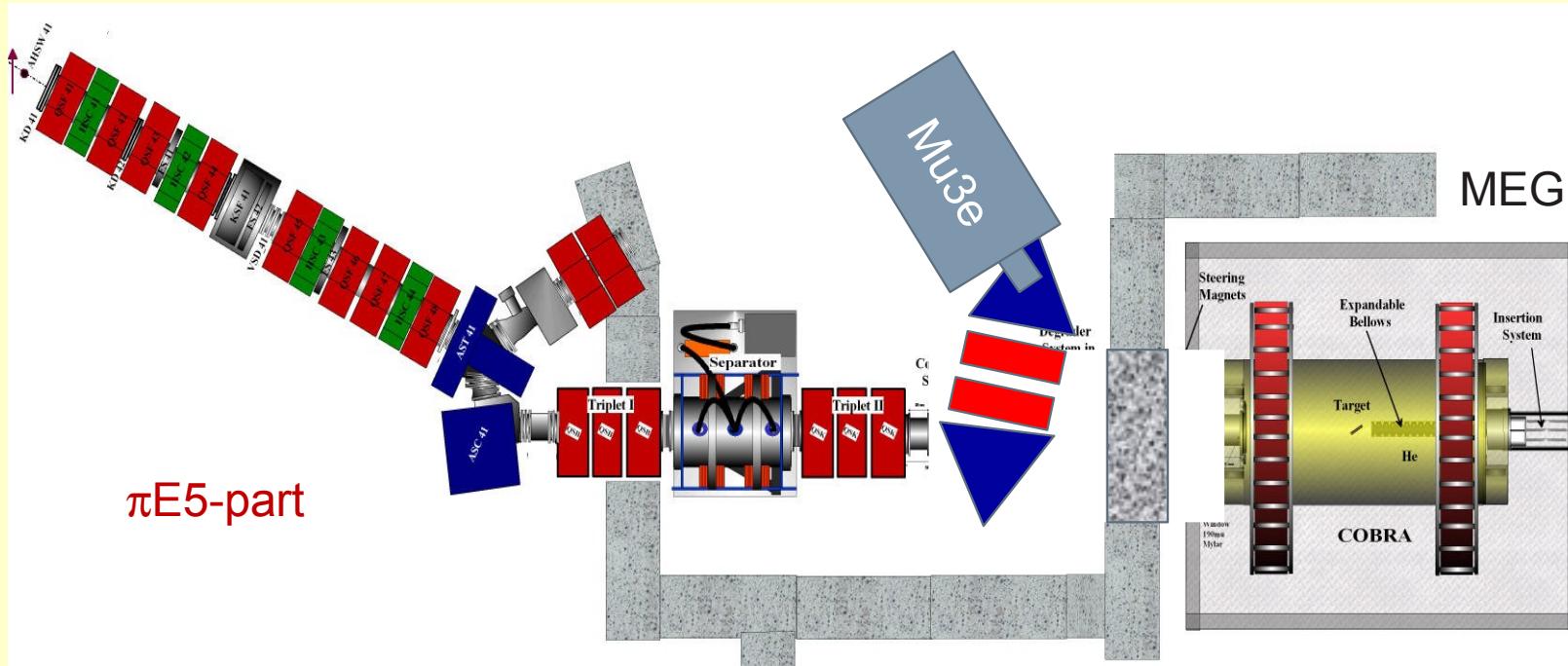
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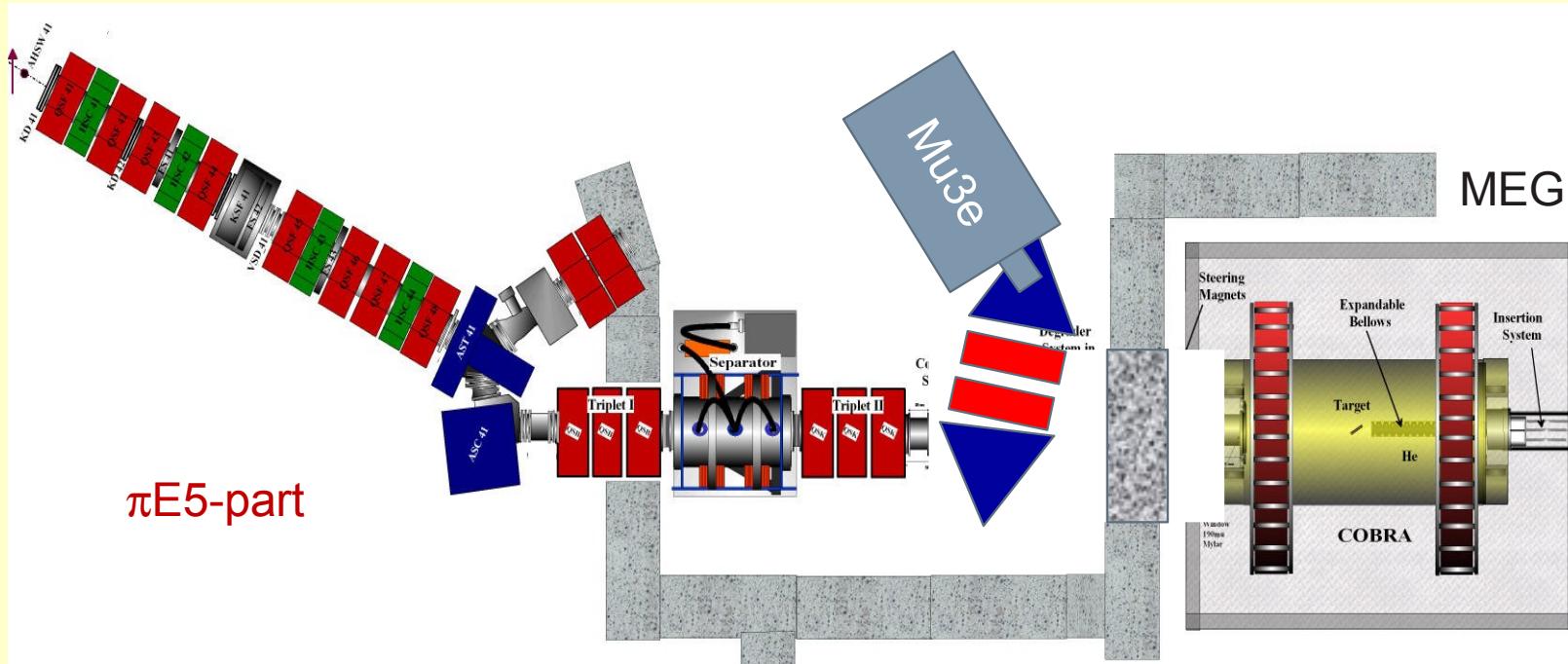


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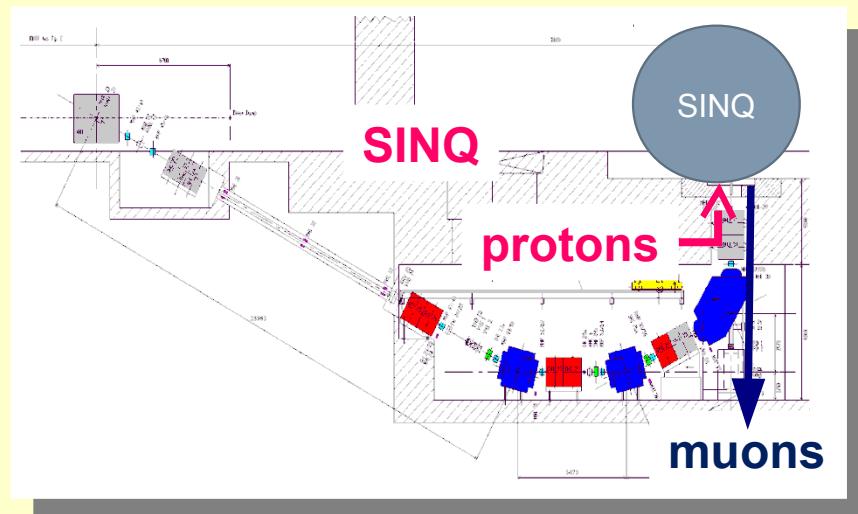
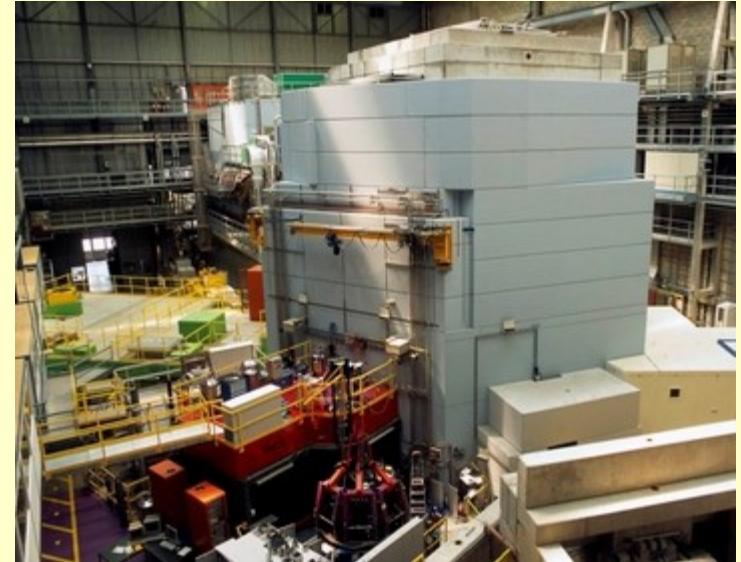
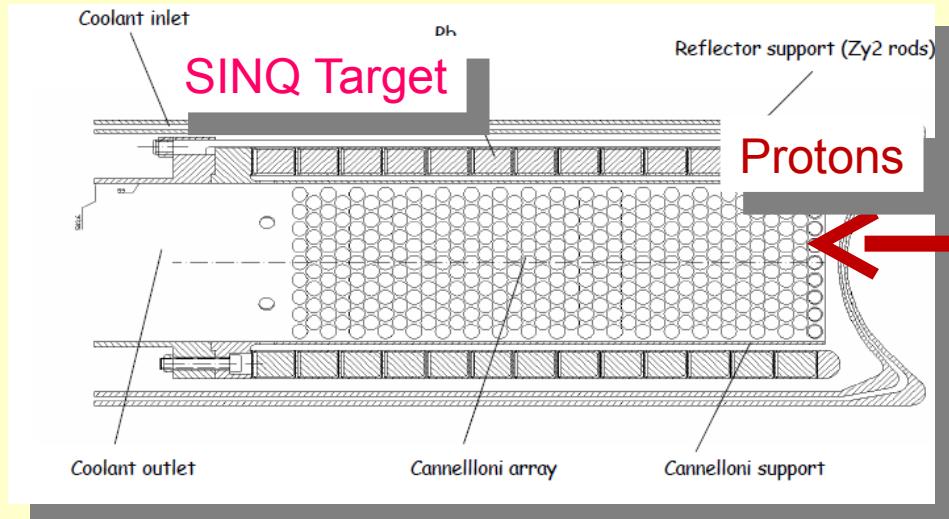
MEG and Mu3e could co-exist if MEG is to be upgraded



- muon rates of  $1.4 \cdot 10^8/\text{s}$  achieved in past
  - factor  $\sim 2$  maybe possible by means of optimisations of “E” target  $\rightarrow 3 \cdot 10^8 \text{ muons/s}$
  - rate of  $2 \cdot 10^8/\text{s}$  sufficient to reach  $B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+e^+e^-) < 10^{-15}$  (90%CL) in 3 years  
( $\rightarrow$  corresponds to  $\sim B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+\gamma) < 10^{-13}$  (MEG))

# Beamlime Phase II

Neutron Source SINQ:



- Muon rates in excess of  $10^{10}$  per second in beam phase acceptance possible
- First simulations confirmed calculations
- $2 \cdot 10^9$  muons/s needed to reach ultimate goal of  $B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^-) < 10^{-16}$
- Not before 2017

# Status Simulations

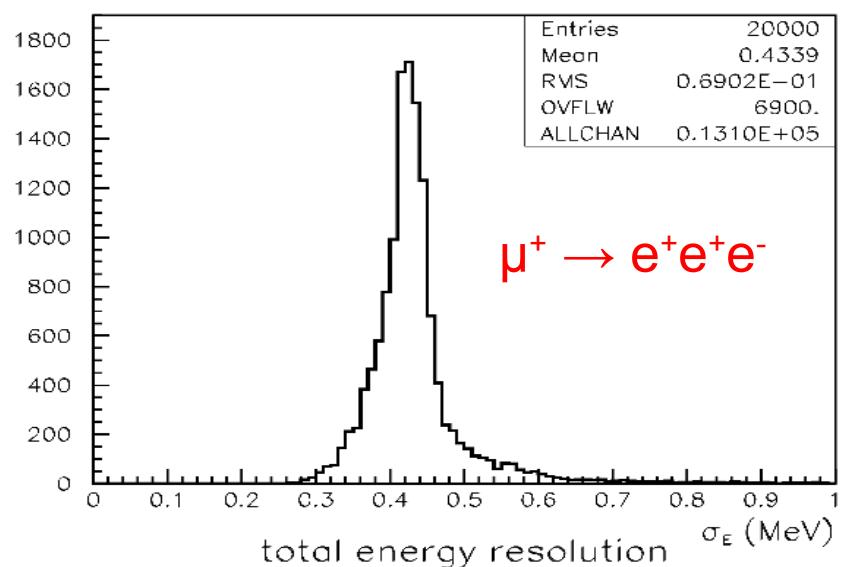
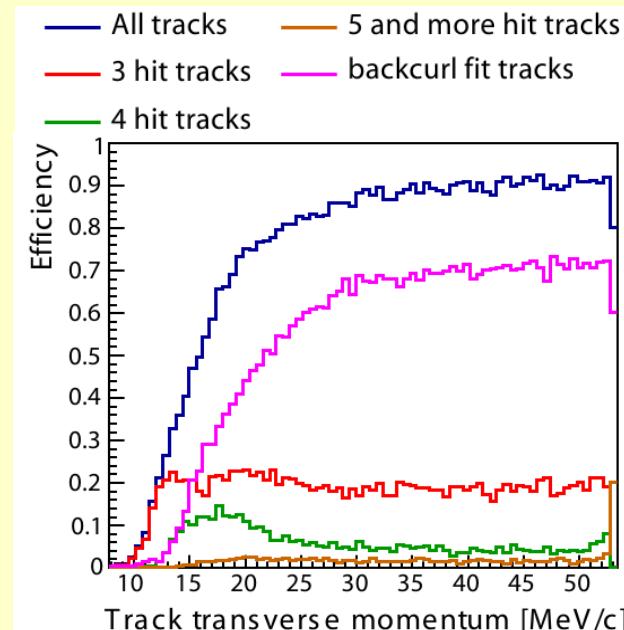
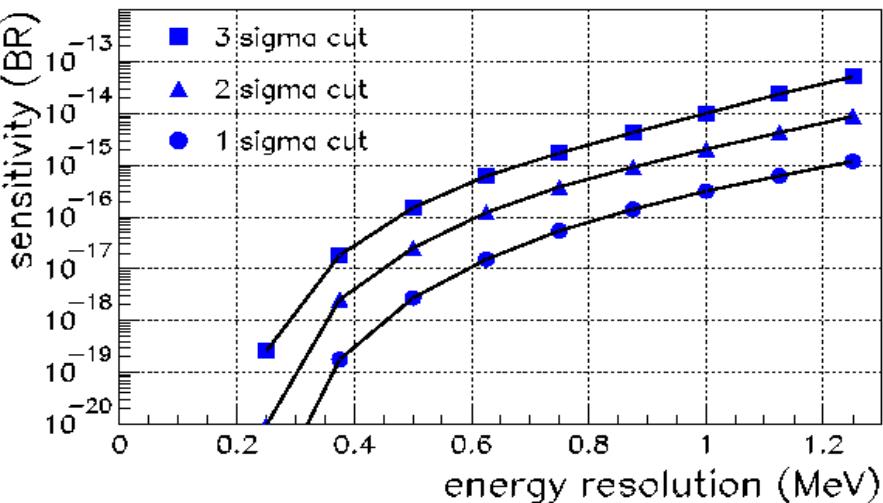
GEANT4 simulations, work in progress:

- determination of occupancies
- test track reconstruction eff. and resolution
- background studies

## Preliminary Results:

- muon stop rate of  $2 \cdot 10^9$  experimentally possible
- most severe BG is  $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^- \nu \nu$
- required resolutions can be achieved

## Sensitivity limit from $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^- \nu \nu$



# Mu3e Scenarios Phase I and II

	Phase I (2014-17)	Phase II (>2017)
operation	3 years	3 years
total time in seconds	3.0E+007	3.0E+007
muon rate [per second]	<b>2.0E+008</b>	<b>2.0E+009</b>
acceptance	0.7	0.7
track finding efficiency	0.9	0.9
3-prong efficiency	0.729	0.729
event selection eff.	0.75	0.75
total efficiency	0.38	0.38
#decays	2.3E+15	2.3E+16
single event sensitivity	4.3E-16	4.3E-17
<b>90% exclusion limit</b>	<b>0.7E-15</b>	<b>0.7E-16</b>

# Preliminary Cost Estimates

from LOI

TASK	PHASE I	PHASE II
	COSTS [kCHF]	COSTS [kCHF]
Target + Infrastructure	50	50
Magnet	1000	0
Silicon Tracker	500	200
Fibre Hodoscope	400	200
Filter Farm	300	300
DAQ + Slow Control	500	500
Beamline	u.a.	u.a.

u.a. = under assessment

Total cost estimate ~4 million CHF without beamlines

# Proto-Collaboration

- Uni Geneva



- Uni Heidelberg



- PSI



- Uni Zurich



- ETH Zurich



Also, in contact with  
other interested groups

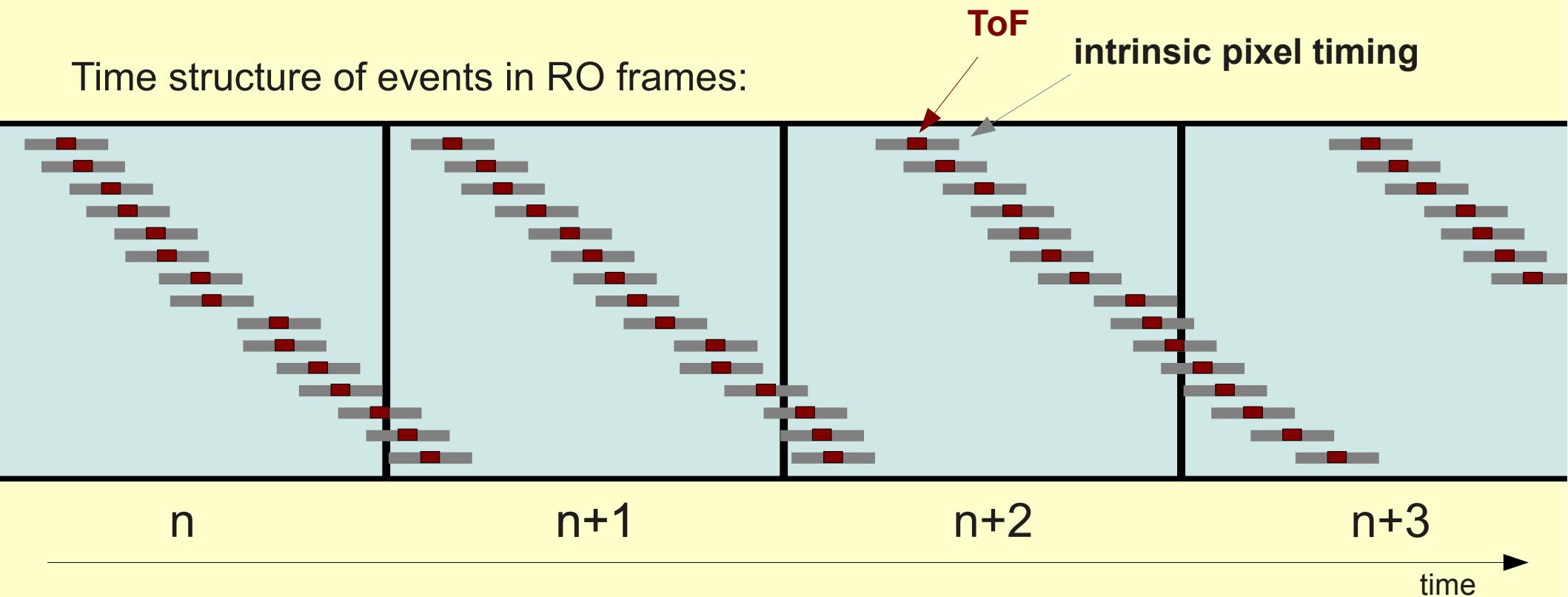
**Plan: prepare a detailed Research Proposal within one year**

# **Backup**

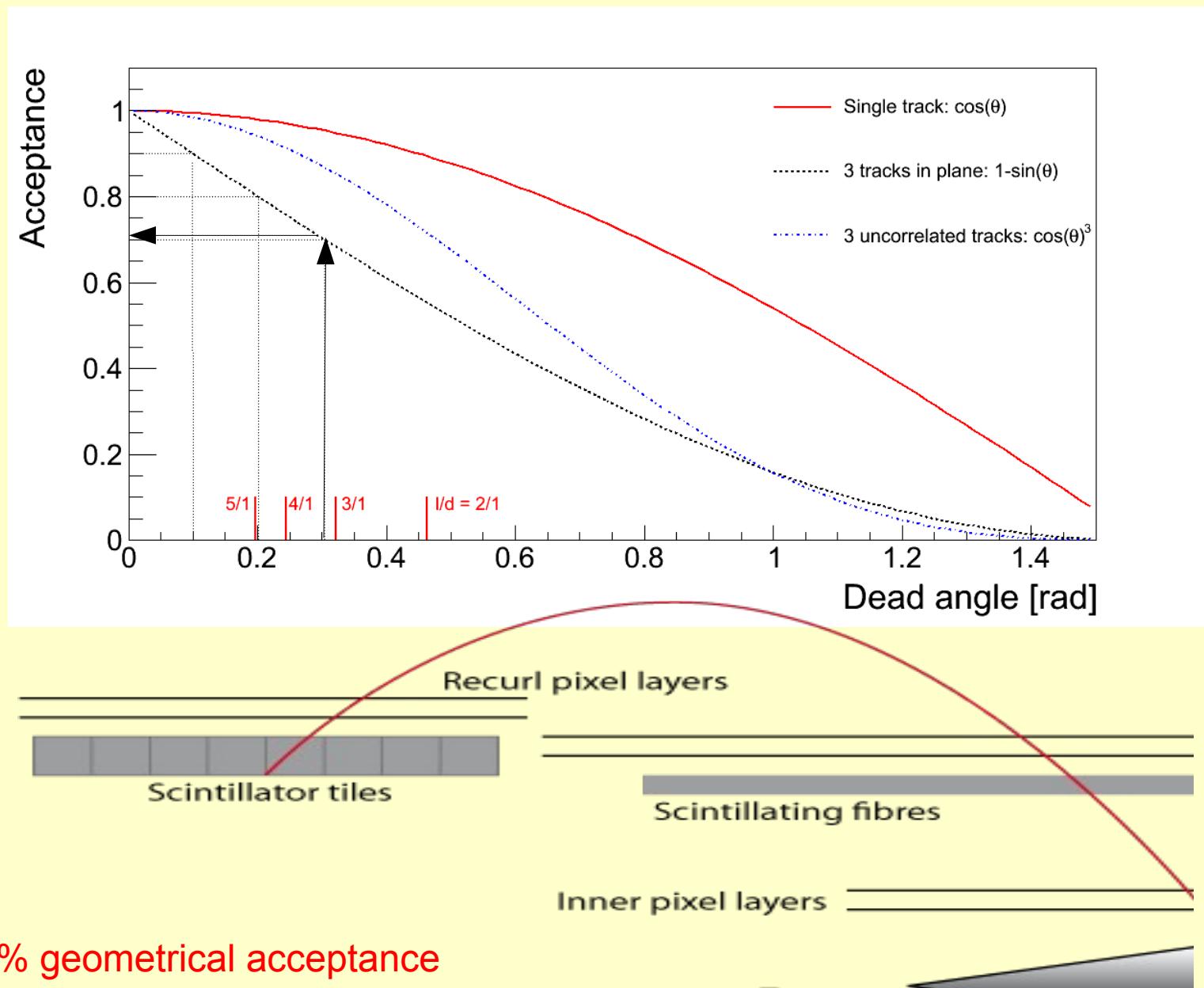
# Readout Frames

- The pixel detector readout is clocked at 20 MHz (50 ns)
- Intrinsic time resolution in silicon 10-20 ns (to be experimentally verified)
- Precise timing provided by ToF is 0.2-1ns
- Decay positrons spread over up to 3 ns (recurler)

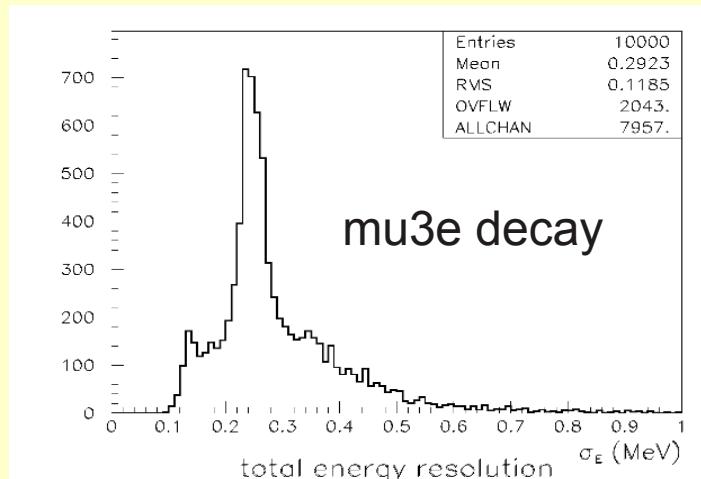
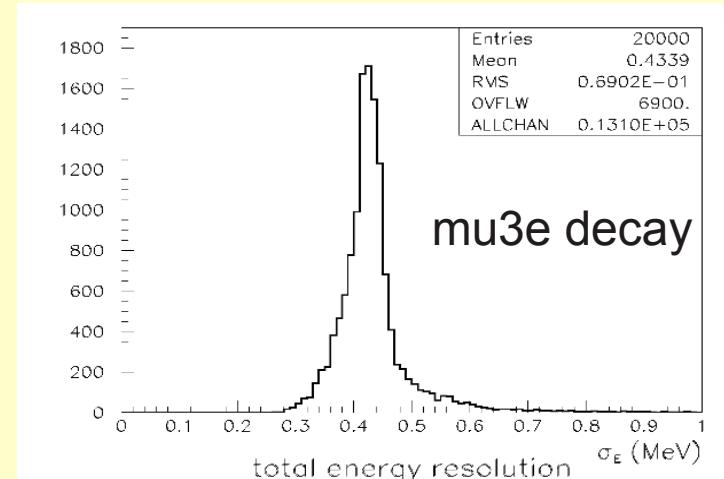
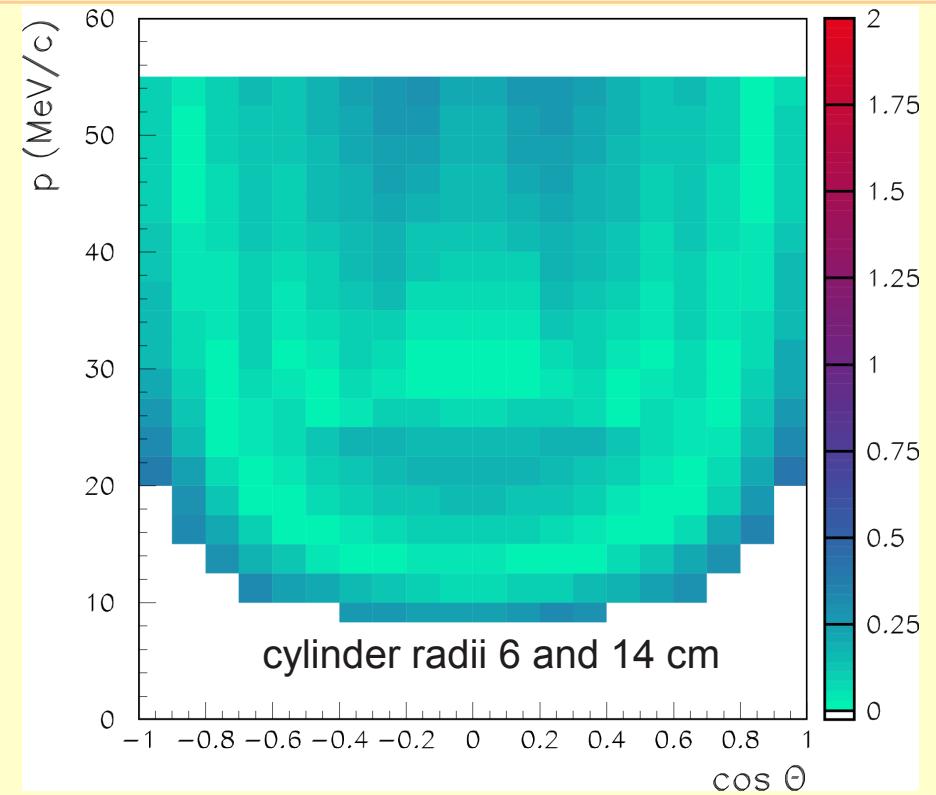
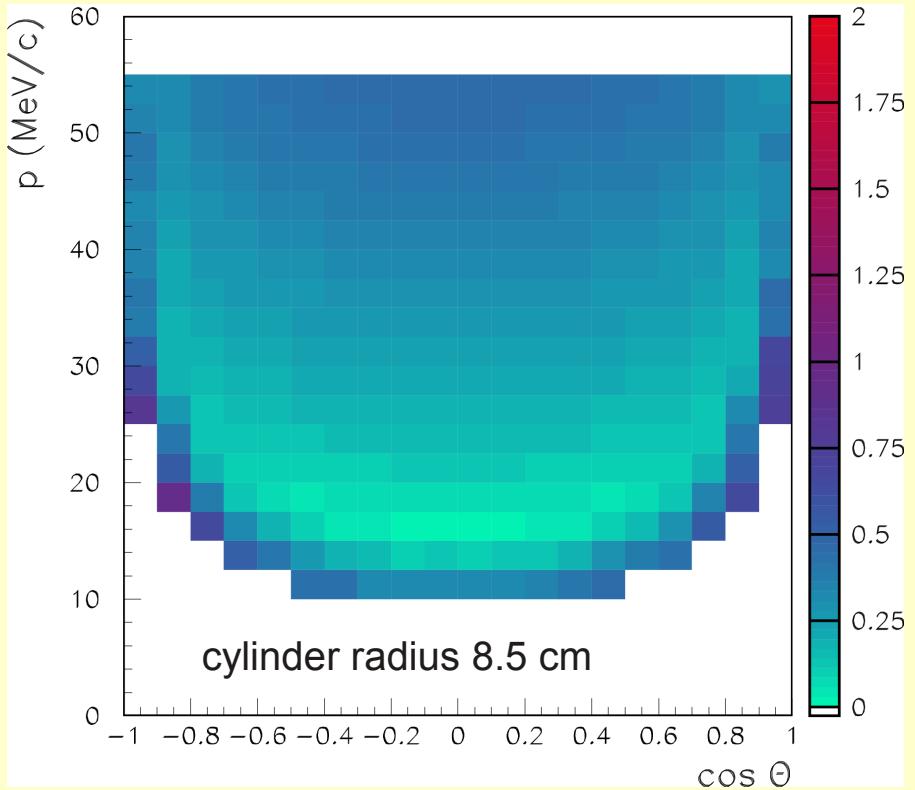
Time structure of events in RO frames:



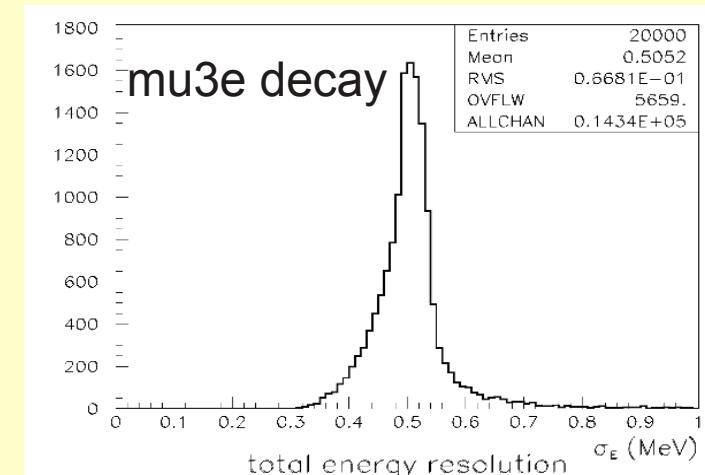
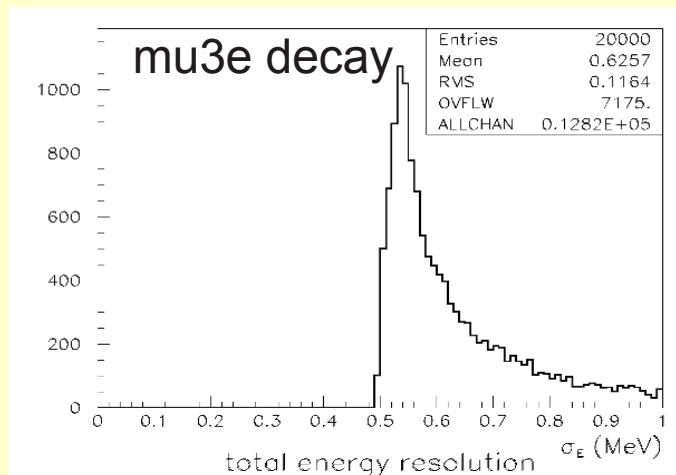
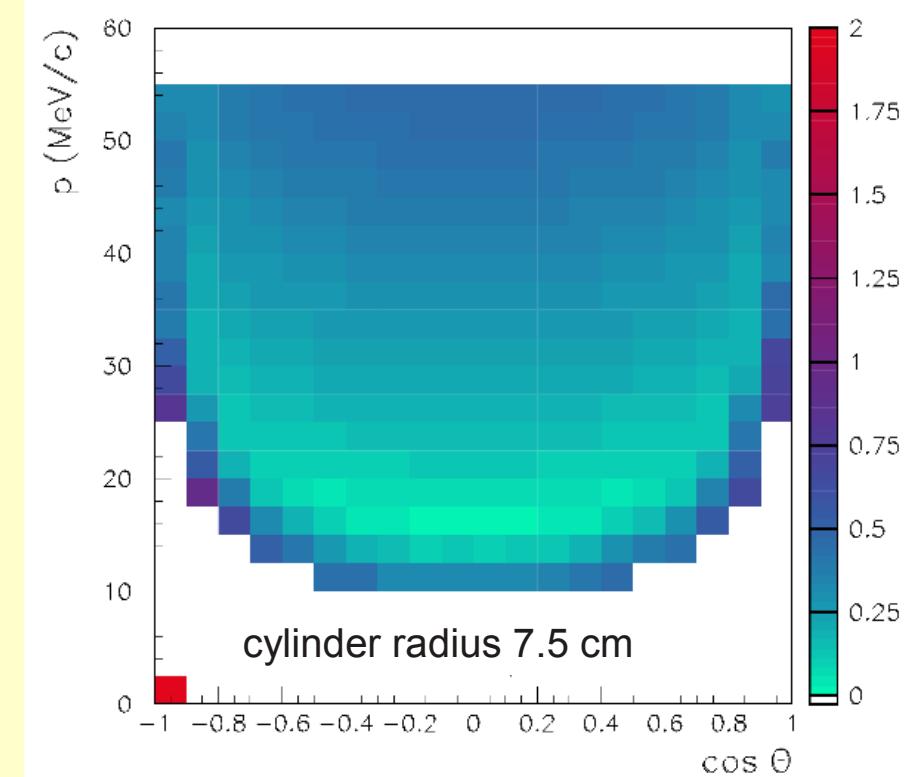
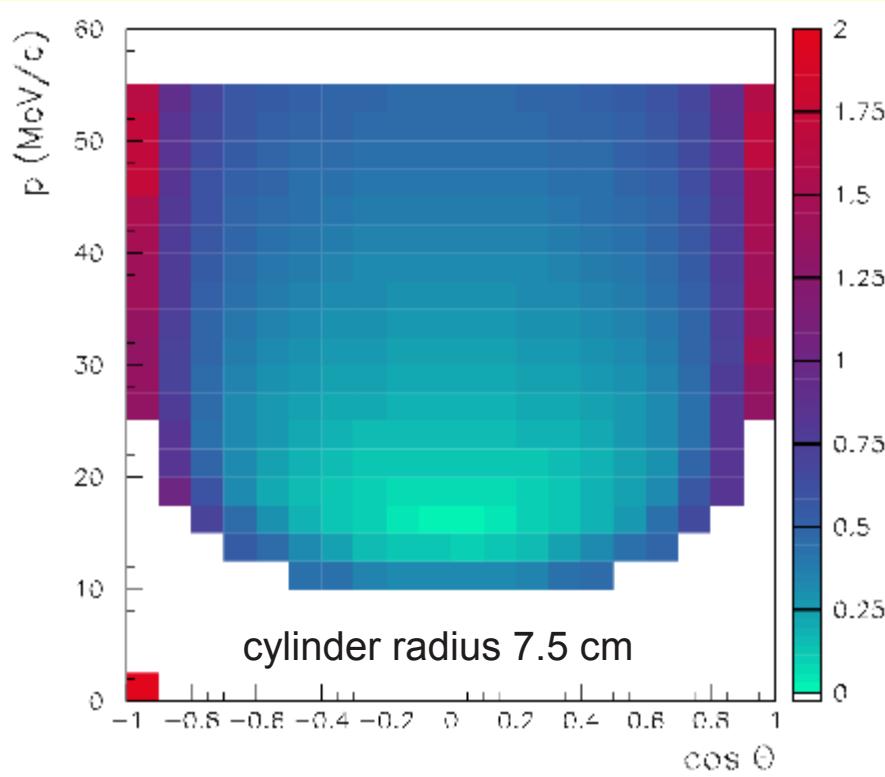
# Geometrical Acceptance



# Two versus Three Double Layers

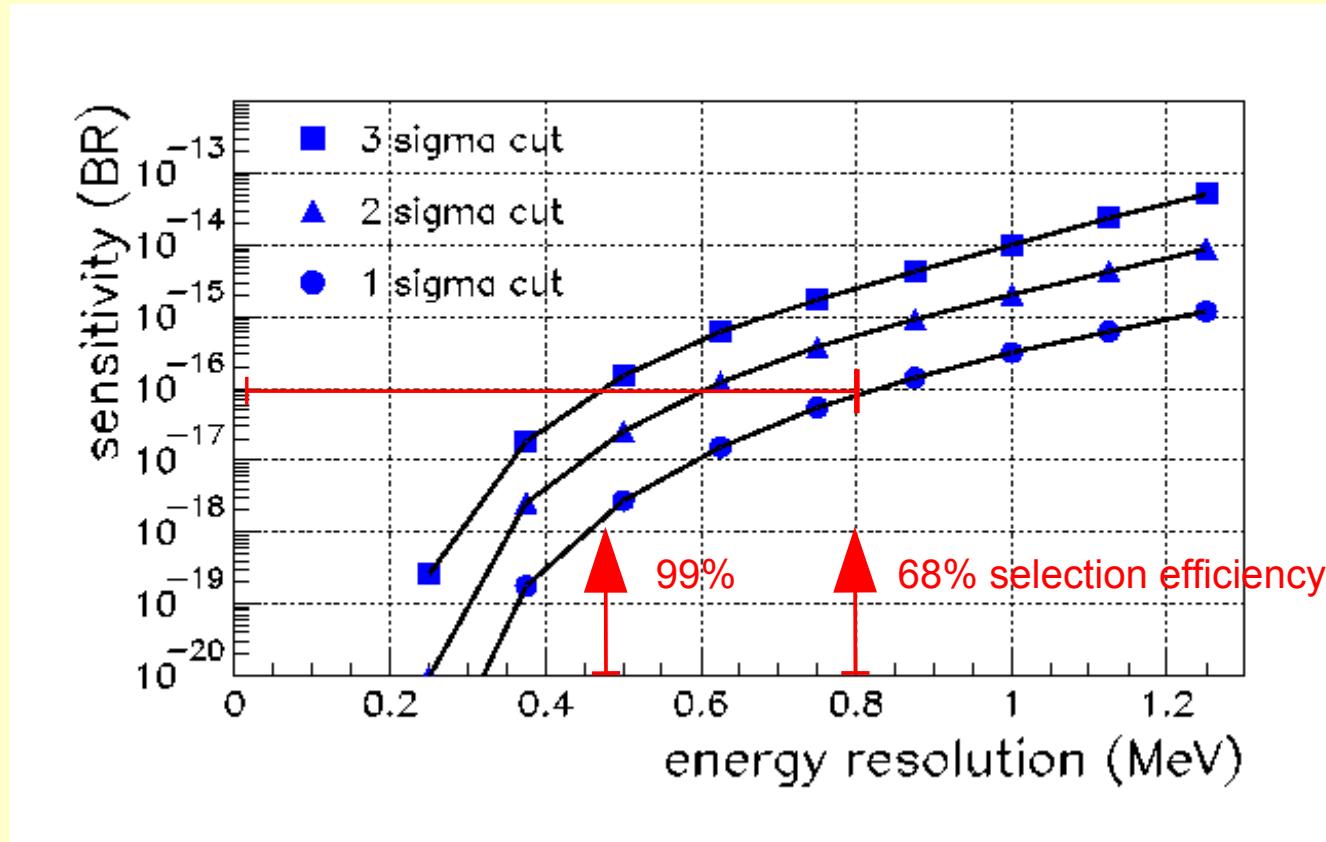


# 2D versus 3D tracking



# Sensitivity and Background Limitation

Rate of  $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^- vv$  as function of the energy resolution:

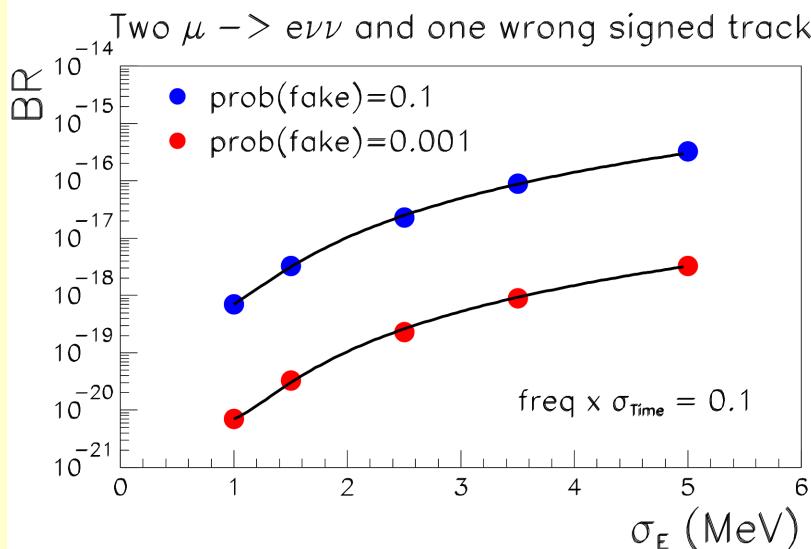


# Combinatorial Background Study

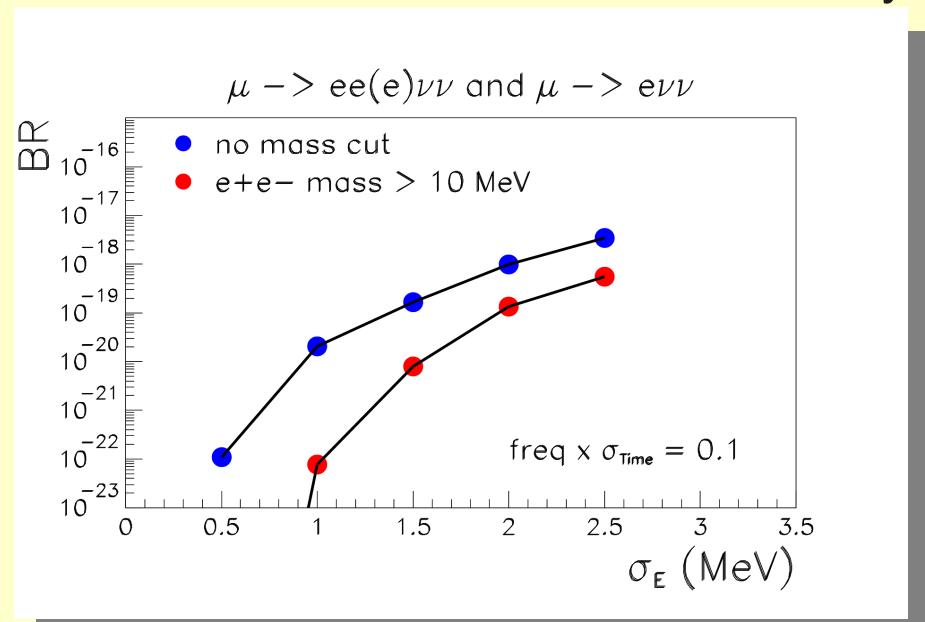
## Design Parameters:

- prob (vertex coincidence) =  $5 \cdot 10^{-5}$
- prob (time coincidence) = 0.1  
(100 ps @  $10^9$  muons per second)

fake track and two muon decays



internal conversion and muon decay



combinatorial BG can be ignored already for moderate energy resolution  $\sigma_E < 3$  MeV

vertex and timing constraints not severe

# Comparison: $\mu$ -Decay Experiments

- Sindrum 1988:

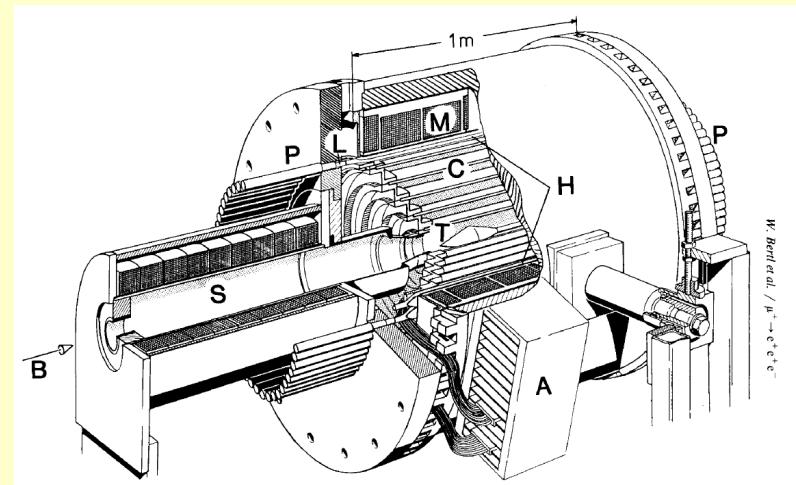
$$\sigma_p/p \text{ (50 MeV/c)} = 5.1\%$$

$$\sigma_p/p \text{ (20 MeV/c)} = 3.6\%$$

$$\sigma_\theta \text{ (20 MeV/c)} = 28 \text{ mrad}$$

$$\text{VTX: } \sigma_d = \sim 1 \text{ mm}$$

$$X_0(\text{MWPC}) = 0.08\% - 0.17\% \text{ per layer}$$



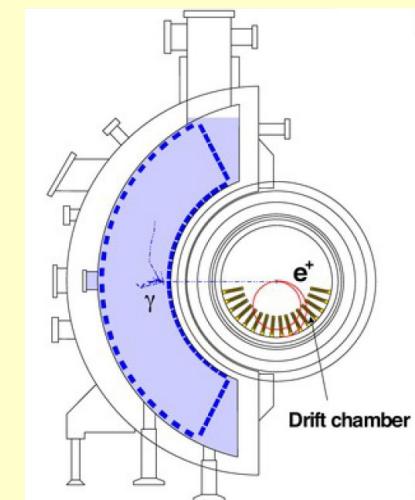
- MEG 2010 (preliminary):

$$\sigma_p/p \text{ (53 MeV/c)} = 0.7 \%$$

$$\sigma_\Phi \text{ (53 MeV/c)} = 8 \text{ mrad}$$

$$\sigma_\theta \text{ (53 MeV/c)} = 8 \text{ mrad}$$

$$\text{VTX: } \sigma_R = 1.4 \text{ mm}, \sigma_Z = 2.5 \text{ mm}$$



• Aim for similar or better angular and momentum resolutions,  
high rates and better vertex resolution  $\sim 150 \mu\text{m}$  (combinatorial BG)

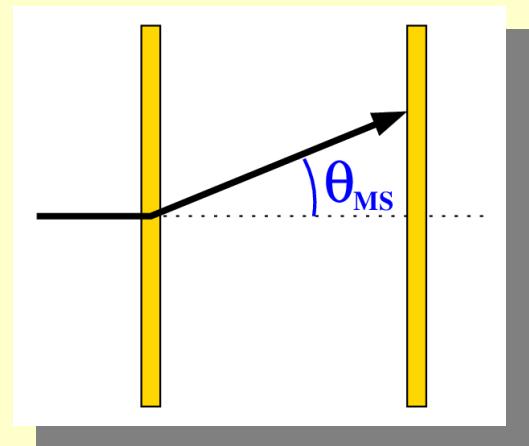
# Multiple Scattering in Silicon

Momentum range  $p = 15\text{-}53 \text{ MeV}$

→ multiple scattering!

Example:  $p = 53 \text{ MeV}/c$

- MEG:  $\sigma_{\Theta}^{\text{MS}} = 8 \text{ mrad}$ 
  - multiple scatt. per layer  $X/X_0 = 0.1\%$  → corresponds to **90 μm Silicon**
- $\mu \rightarrow eee$ :  $\sigma_{\Theta}^{\text{MS}} = 5 \text{ mrad}$ 
  - multiple scatt. per layer  $X/X_0 = 0.044\%$  → corresponds to **40 μm Silicon**



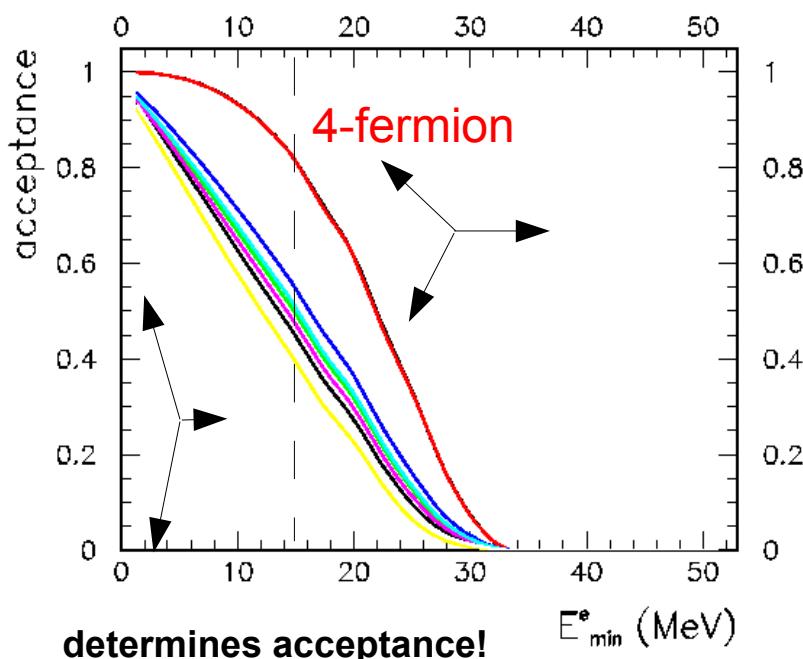
Pixel sensors can be thinned down to **30-50 μm**  
(examples CMOS MAPS, DEPFET 50 μm)

# Detector Acceptance $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+e^+e^-$

## Model Dependence:

$$\frac{dB(\mu \rightarrow eee)}{dx_1 dx_2 d\cos\theta d\phi} = \sum_{k=1}^5 c_k \alpha_k(x_1, x_2)$$

## Minimum electron energy:



four fermion  photon penguin	$c_1 = \frac{g_1^2 + g_2^2}{16} + g_{34}^2$ $c_2 = g_{56}^2$ $c_3 = e A^2$ $c_4 = e A g_{34} \eta$ $c_5 = e A g_{56} \eta'$	acc ~ 80%  acc ~ 40%
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T-odd

measure momenta  
in range:  $p=15-53$  MeV/c