Searching for Lepton Flavour Violation with the Mu3e Experiment



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  - Radiative decay
- Antiprotons, pions, cosmics
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- $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+$
- Two positrons, one electron
- From same vertex
- Same time
- Sum of 4-momenta corresponds to muon at rest
- Maximum momentum:  $\frac{1}{2} m_{\mu} = 53 \text{ MeV/c}$

### Accidental Background



- Combination of positrons from ordinary muon decay with electrons from:
  - photon conversion,
  - Bhabha scattering,
  - Mis-reconstruction

 Need very good timing, vertex and momentum resolution

### Internal conversion background



- Need excellent momentum resolution
- New: NLO available from Matteo Fael and Signer et al. - now 10-20% easier

• Allowed radiative decay with internal conversion:

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

 Only distinguishing feature: Missing momentum carried by neutrinos





### Building the Mu3e Experiment

### aiming for a branching ratio sensitivity of $10^{-16}$



### Momentum measurement

- Apply magnetic field (e.g. 1 Tesla)
- Measure curvature of particles in field
- Limited by detector resolution and scattering in detector



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- Use a high voltage commercial process (automotive industry)
- collection via drift

- Implement logic directly in N-well in the pixel - smart diode array
- Can be thinned down to  $< 50 \ \mu m$

(I.Perić, P. Fischer et al., NIM A 582 (2007) 876 )





Mupix7, 735 mV threshold, HV = -85 V



Trigger TimeStamp Difference Distribution for Single Events





Submitting large (2×1 cm<sup>2</sup>) prototype in next weeks



- 50 µm silicon
- 25 µm Kapton<sup>™</sup> flexprint with aluminium traces
- 25 µm Kapton™ frame as support
- About 1‰ of a radiation length per layer



## Mar Cooling

- Add no material: Cool with gaseous Helium (low scattering, high mobility)
- ~ 250 mW/cm<sup>2</sup> total ~3 kW
- Simulations: Need ~ several m/s flow

- Full scale heatable prototype built
- 36 cm active length
- Vibrations studied using Michelson-Interferometer
- Can keep temperature below 70°C





### Momentum measurement



- 1 T magnetic field
- Resolution dominated by multiple scattering
- Momentum resolution to first order:

$$\sigma_{P/P} \sim \theta_{MS/\Omega}$$

• Precision requires large lever arm (large bending angle  $\Omega$ ) and low multiple scattering  $\theta_{MS}$ 













### muon beam













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### Need suppression of accidental background:

### Timing





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### Timing Detector: Scintillating Fibres

- 3 layers of 250  $\mu m$  scintillating fibres

- Read-out by silicon photomultipliers (SiPMs) and custom ASIC (MuTRiG)
- Timing resolution O(0.5 1 ns)
   (See posters by Giada Rutar, Angela Papa)



### Timing Detector: Scintillating tiles



- ~ 0.5 cm<sup>3</sup> scintillating tiles
- Read-out by silicon photomultipliers (SiPMs) and custom ASIC (STiC)



- Test beam with tiles, SiPMs and readout ASIC
- Timing resolution ~ 80 ps











Conclusion



- First large scale use of HV-MAPS
- Build detector layers thinner than a hair
- Timing at the 100 ps level
- Reconstruct 2 billion tracks/s in 1 Tbit/s on ~50 GPUs
- Start data taking in 2018
- 2 billion muons/s not before 2021









### Backup Material





Loop diagrams

- Supersymmetry
- Little Higgs models
- Seesaw models
- GUT models (leptoquarks)
- and much more...

#### Tree diagrams

- Higgs triplet model
- Extra heavy vector bosons (Z')
- Extra dimensions (Kaluza-Klein tower)



Muon decays at the  $10^{-16}$  level sensitive to new physics at O(1000 TeV) scale for O(1) couplings!









(Y. Kuno, Y. Okada, Rev.Mod.Phys. 73 (2001) 151)





- One loop term and one contact term
- Ratio K between them
- Common mass scale  $\Lambda$
- Allows for sensitivity comparisons between  $\mu \rightarrow eee$  and  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$
- In case of dominating dipole couplings (K = 0):

$$\frac{B(\mu \rightarrow eee)}{B(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma)} = 0.006 \quad (essentially \alpha_{em})$$

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- More than ~ 10<sup>11</sup> muons/s are produced; bring magnetic elements closer to capture them: High intensity muon beamline (HiMB)

study currently ongoing

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Pixels with amplifier

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### Beam tests

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- 250 GeV pions
  - 5 GeV electrons
- 250 MeV pions
  - 1.5 GeV electrons
- Thanks for all the beam time and support!

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- Test beam with tiles, SiPMs and readout ASIC
- Timing resolution ~ 80 ps

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### Data Acquisition

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### Online reconstruction

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- 280 Million pixels (+ fibres and tiles)
- No trigger
- ~ 1 Tbit/s
- Need to find and fit billions of tracks/s

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### Online filter farm

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- PCs with Graphics Processing Units (GPUs)
- Online track and event reconstruction
- 10° 3D track fits/s achieved
- Data reduction by factor ~1000
- Data to tape < 100 Mbyte/s

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