

The Mu3e Experiment



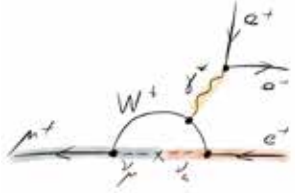
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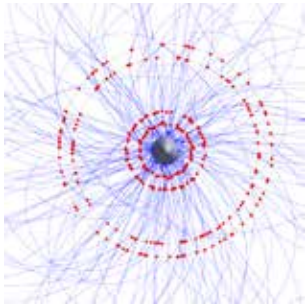


Overview



- The Question:

Can we observe charged lepton flavour violation?



- The Challenge:

Finding one in 10^{16} muon decays



- The Mu3e Detector:

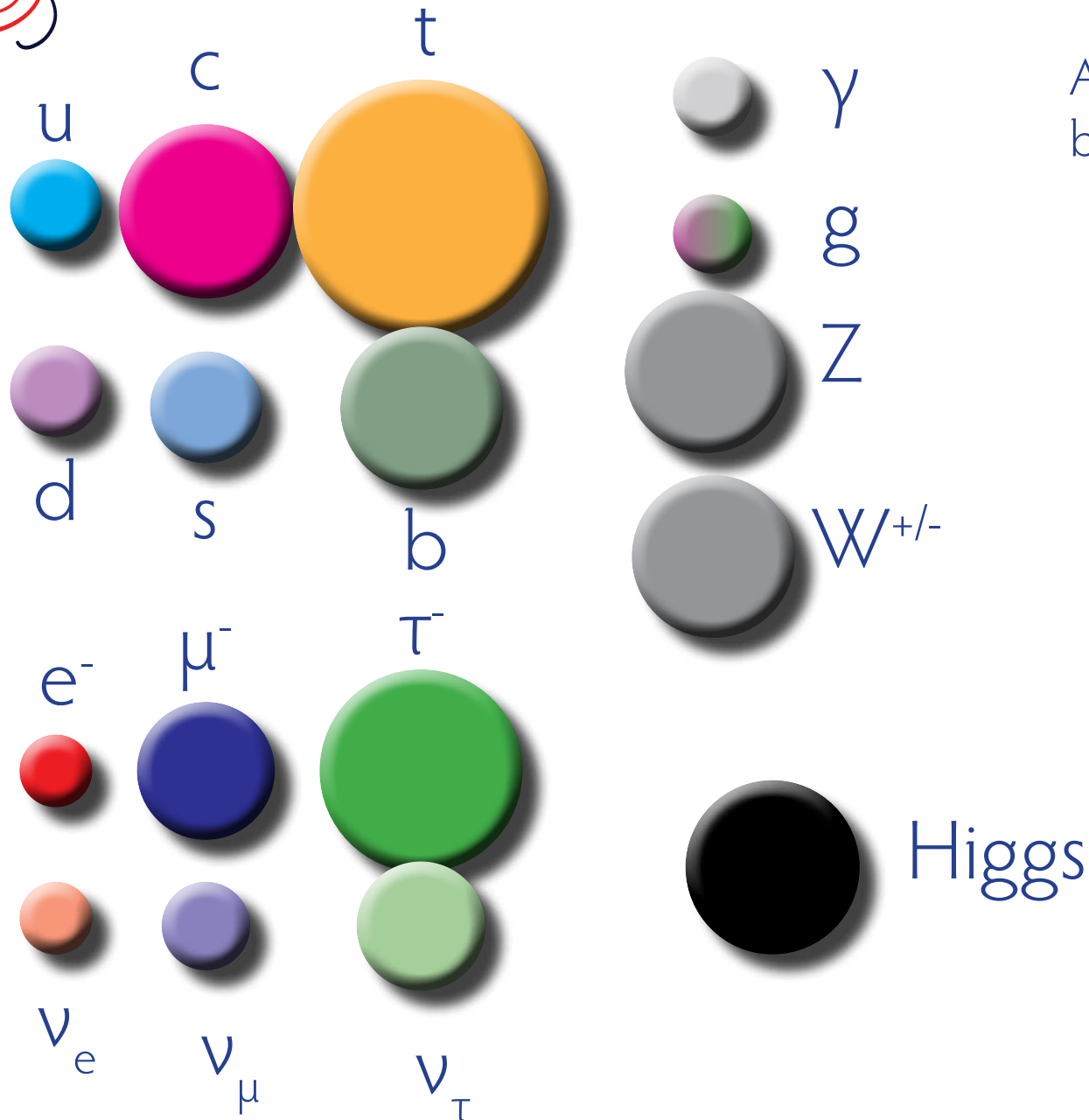
Minimum Material, Maximum Precision



The hunt for charged lepton flavour violation



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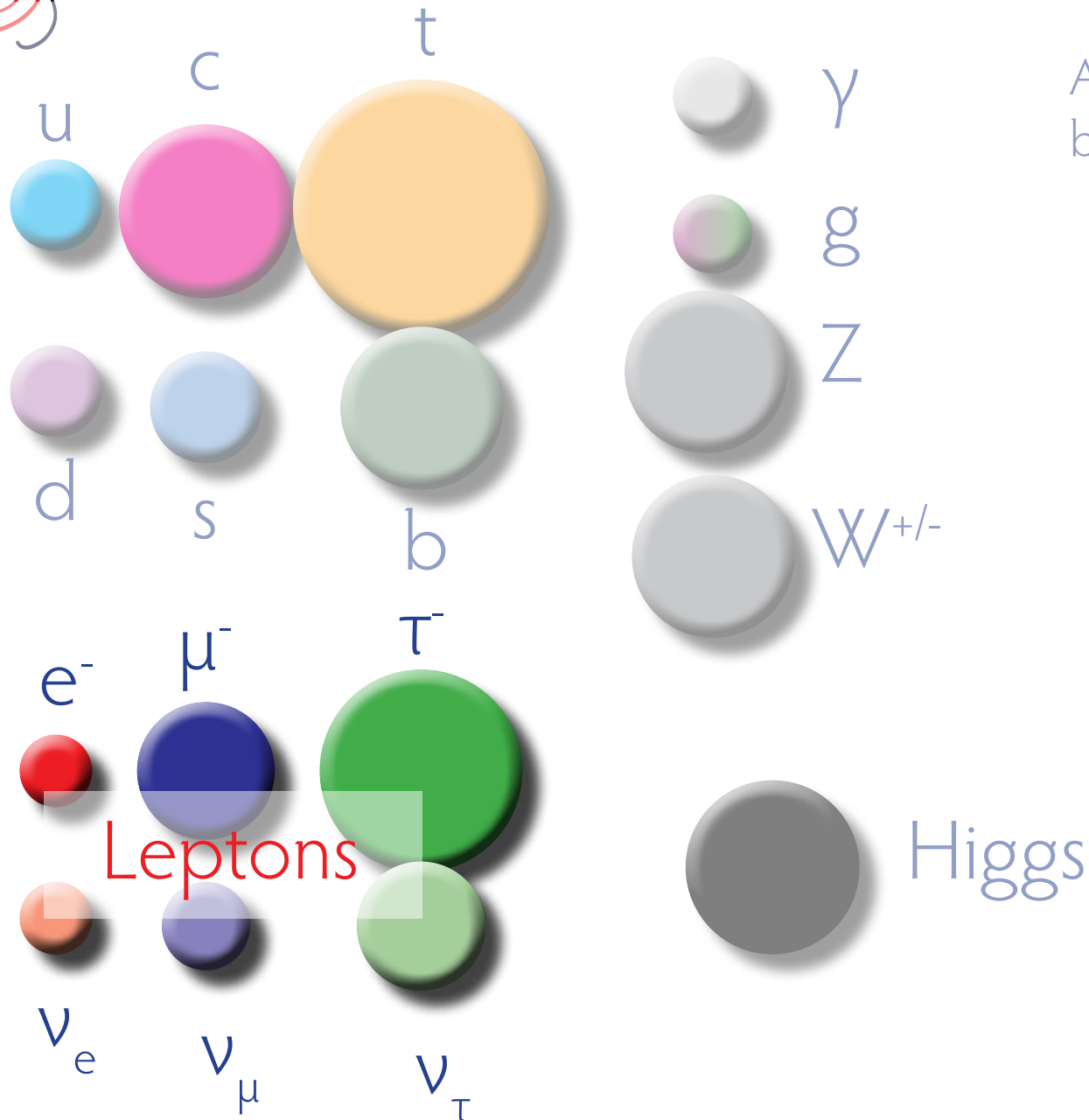


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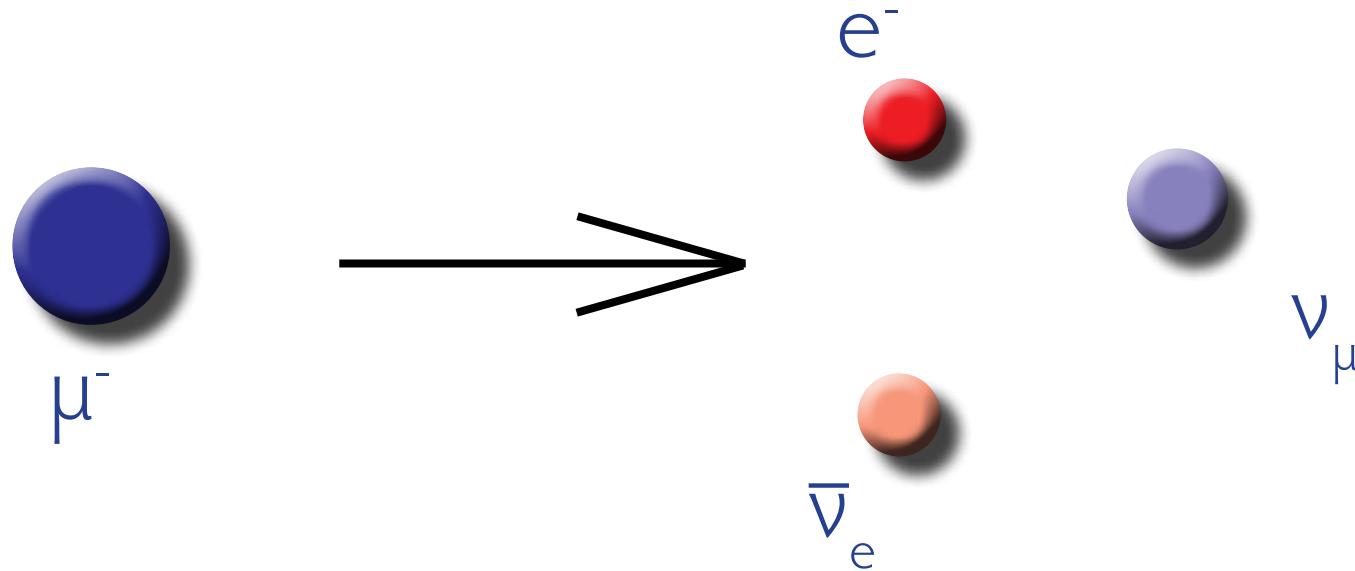


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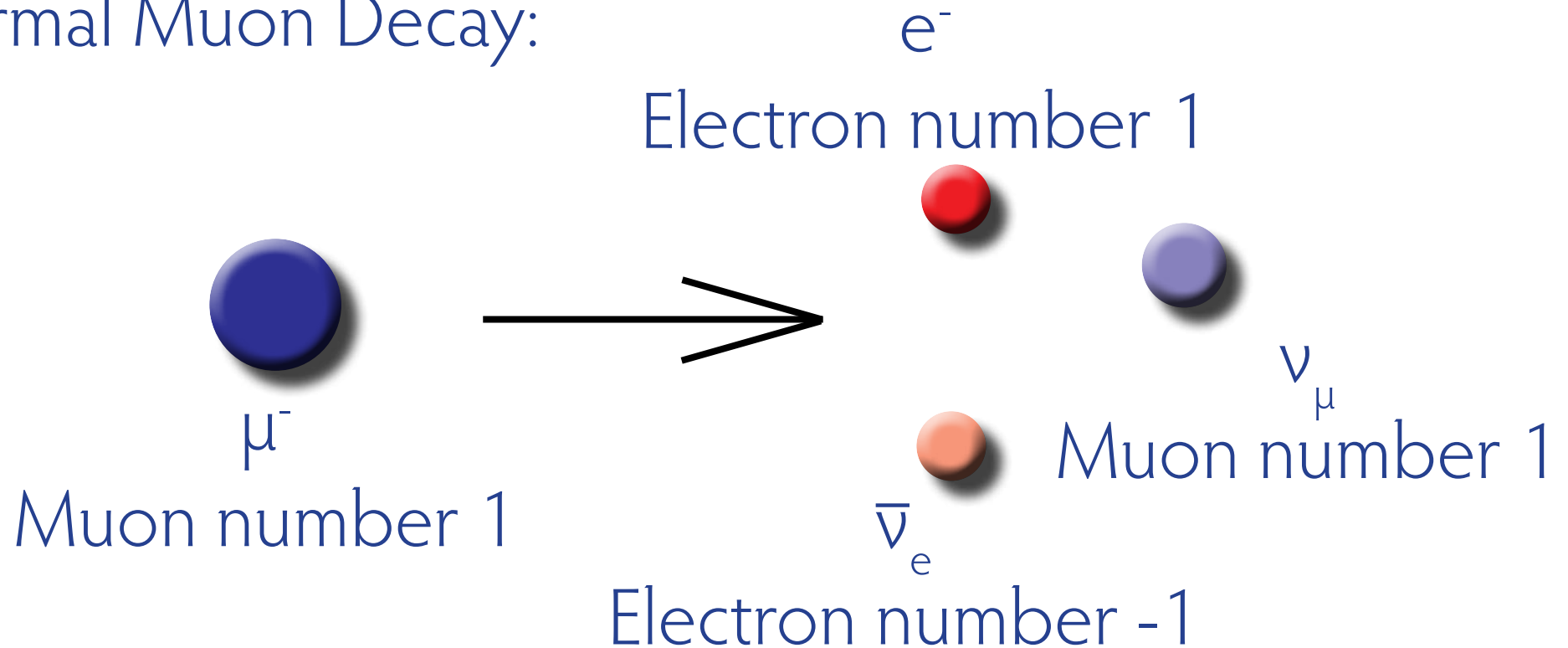
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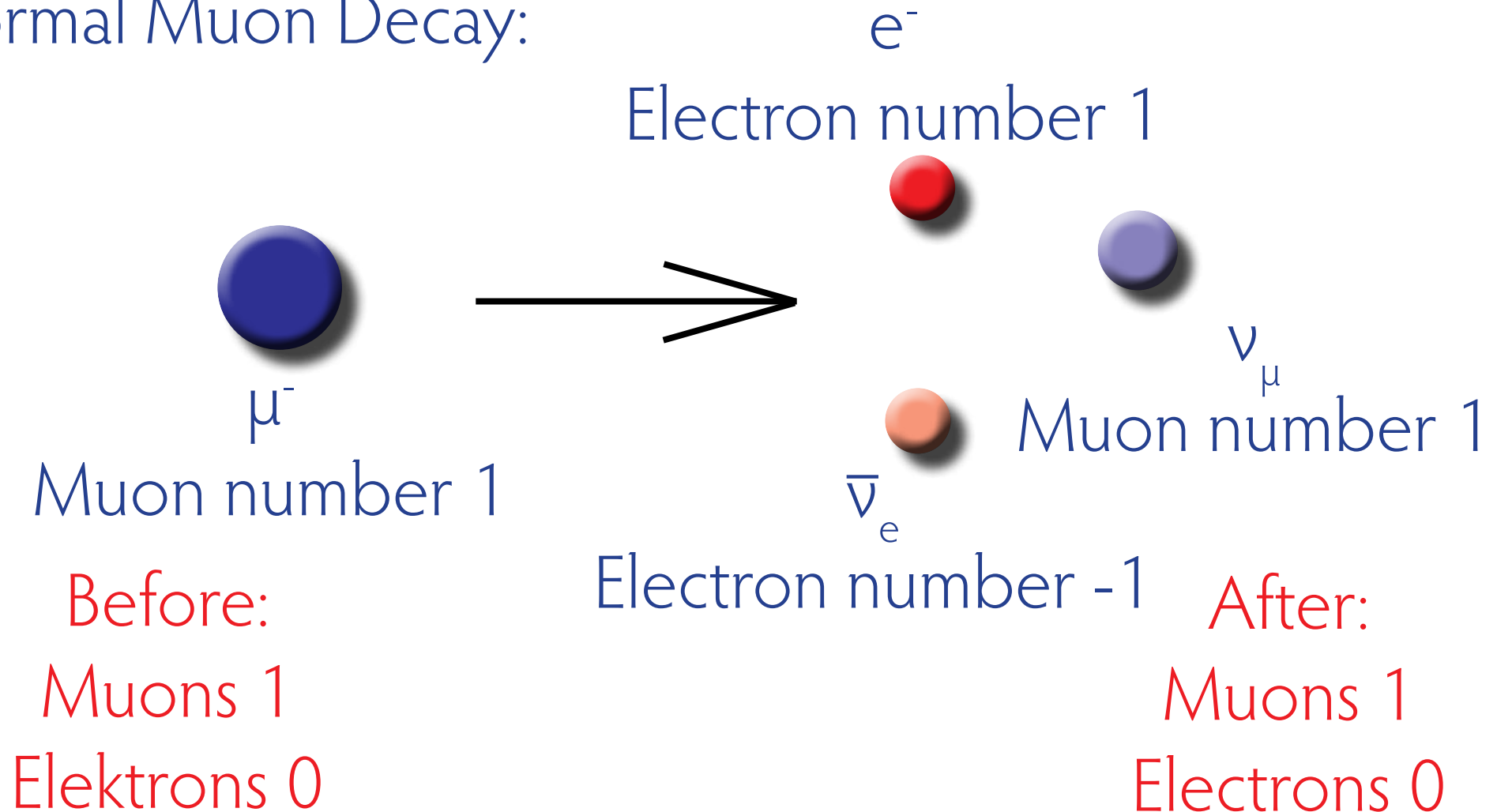
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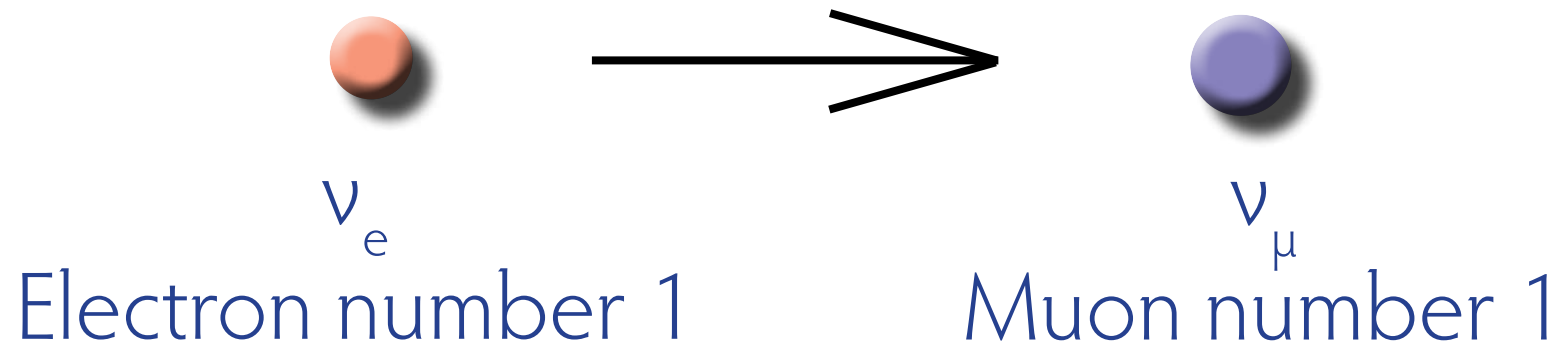
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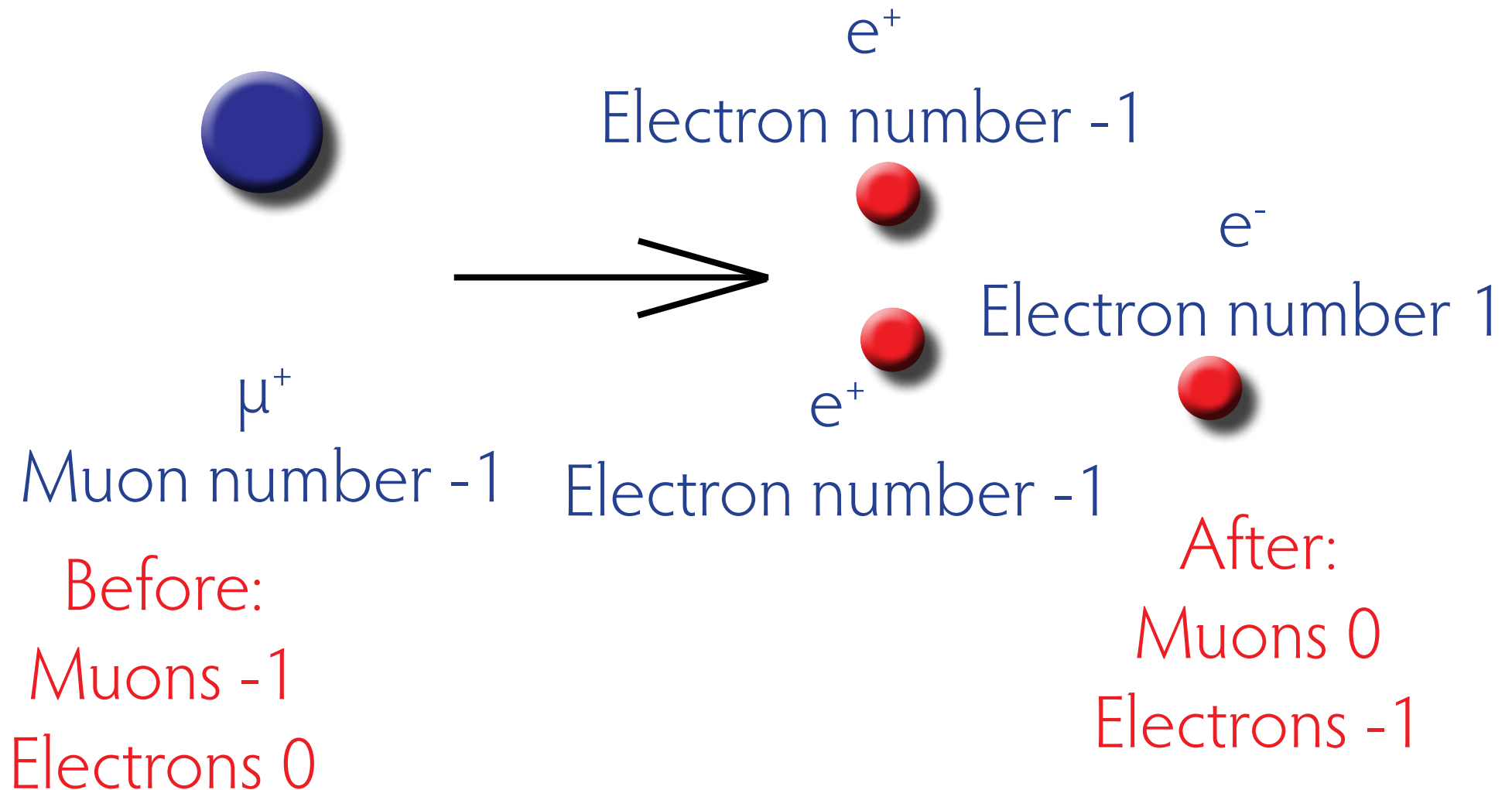


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How about charged leptons (Muons)?

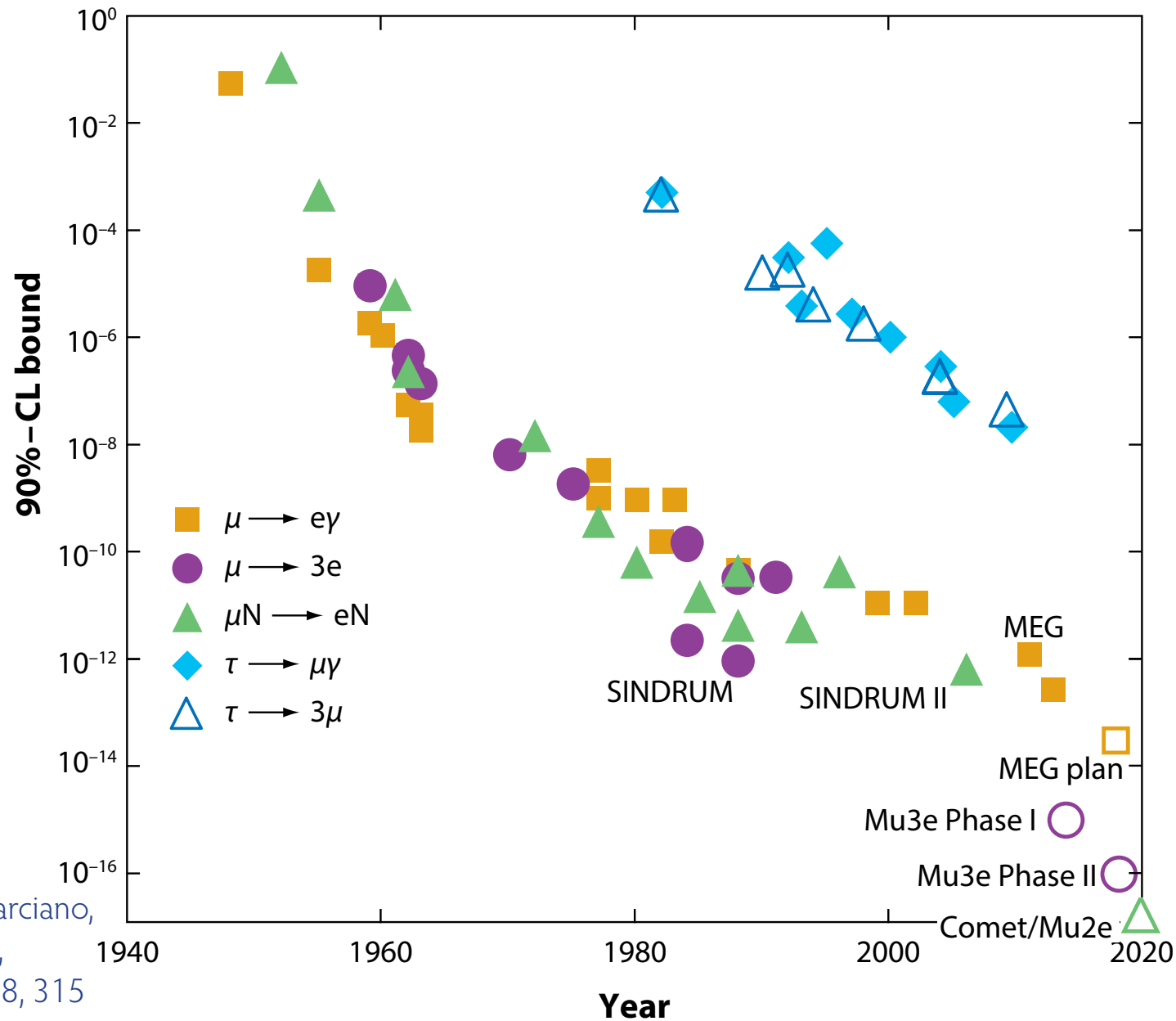




This
(charged lepton flavour violation)
has never been seen
and not because we have not looked

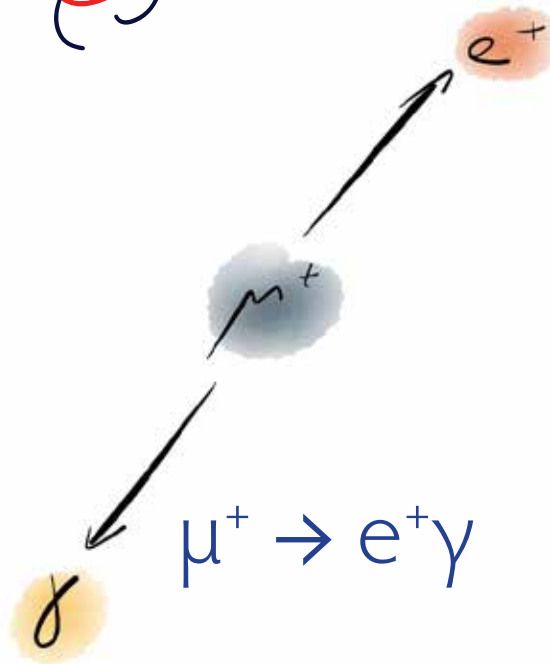


History of LFV experiments



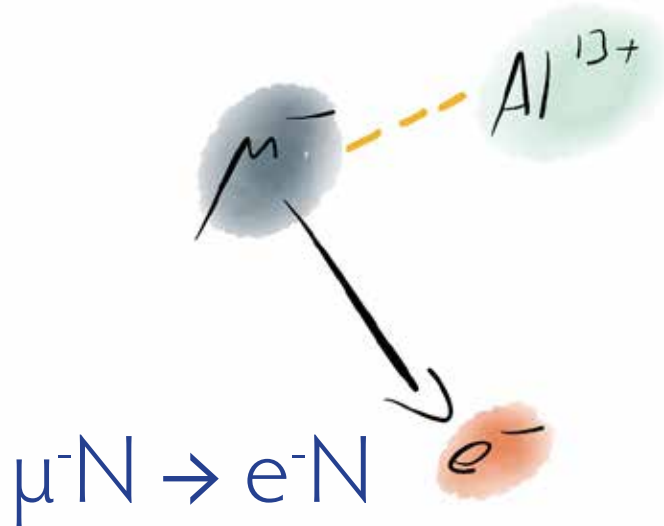
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LFV Muon Decays: Experimental Situation

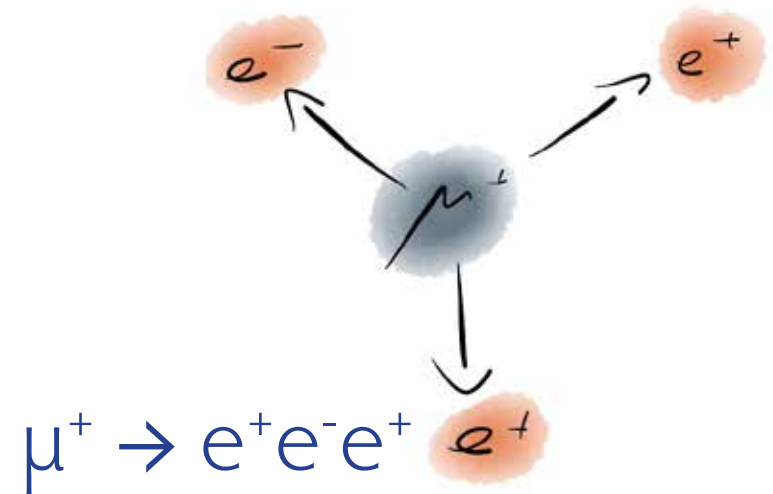


MEG (PSI)
 $B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma) < 5.7 \cdot 10^{-13}$
 (2013)

running

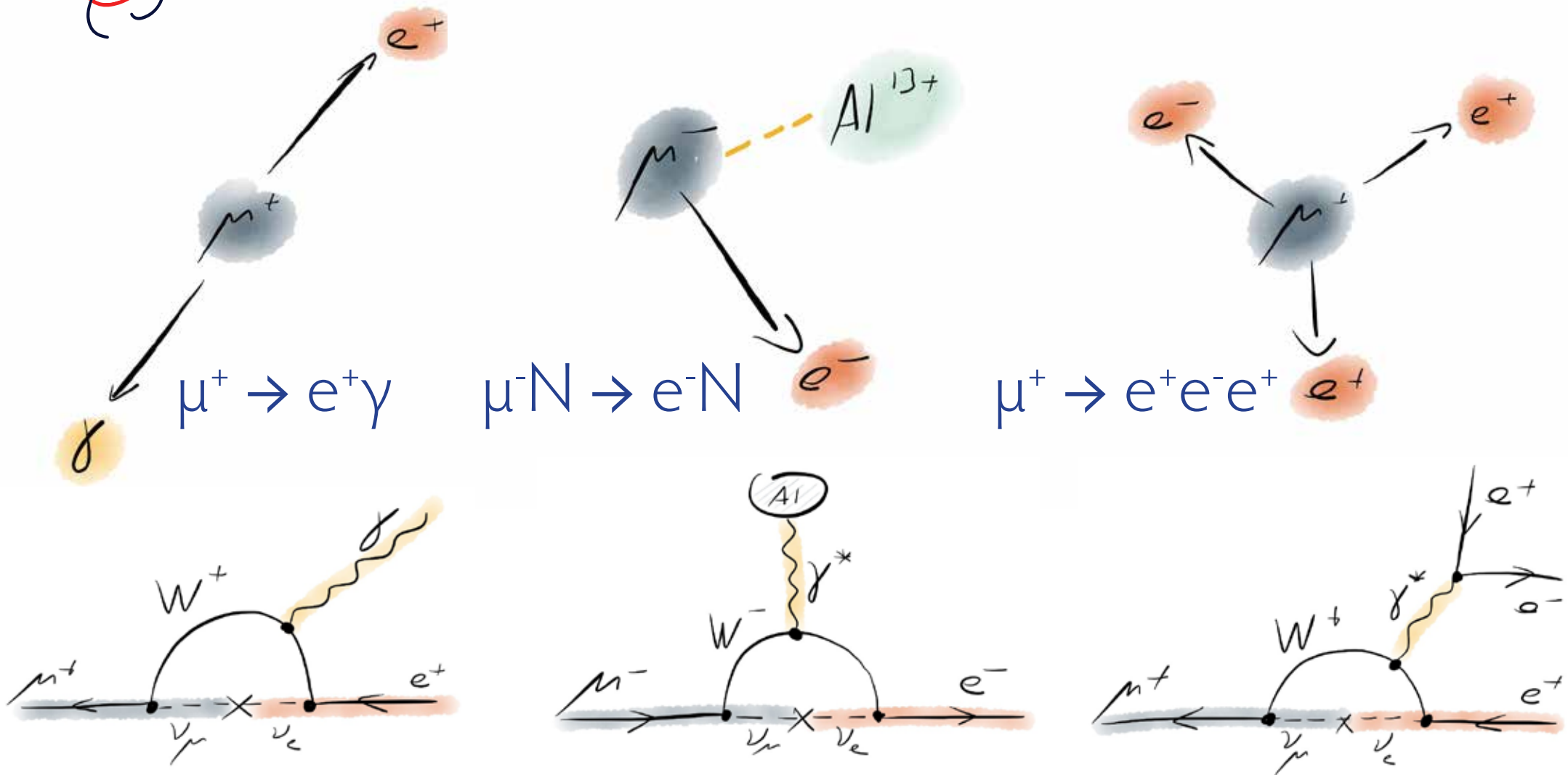


SINDRUM II (PSI)
 $B(\mu^- \text{Au} \rightarrow e^- \text{Au}) < 7 \cdot 10^{-13}$
 (2006)



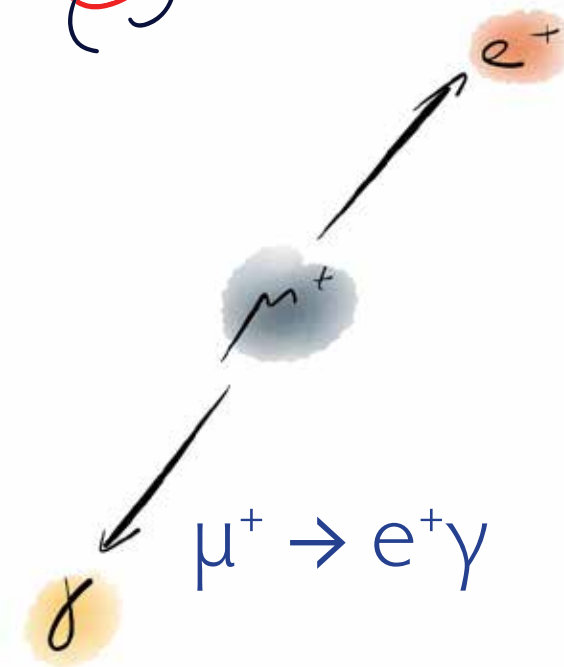
SINDRUM (PSI)
 $B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+) < 1.0 \cdot 10^{-12}$
 (1988)

~~μ_{3e}~~ LFV Muon Decays: Standard Model

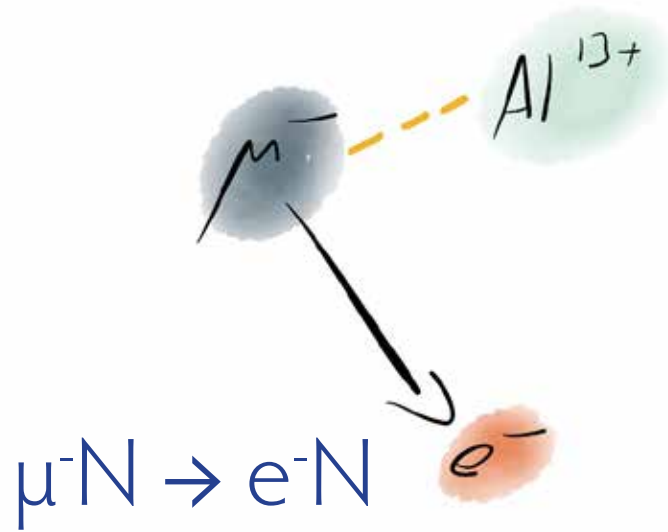


Branching ratios suppressed by $\propto \frac{(\Delta m_\nu^2)^2}{m_W^4} \approx 10^{-50}$

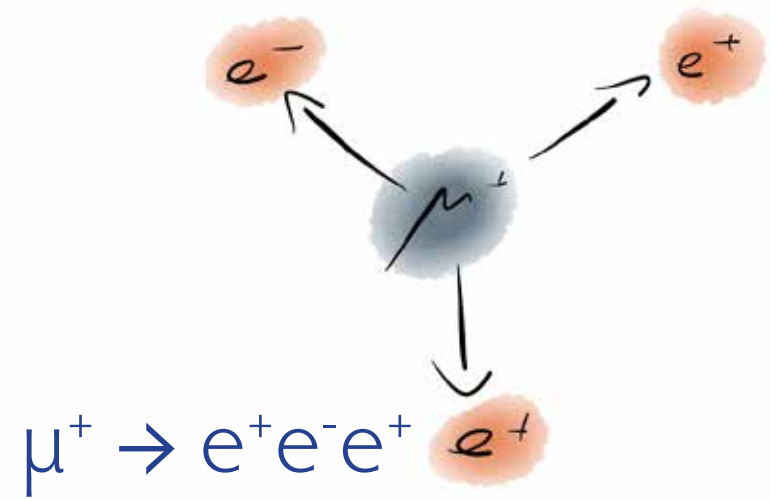
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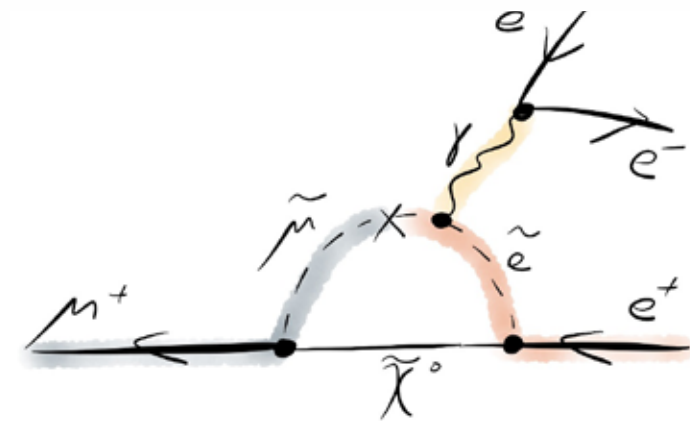
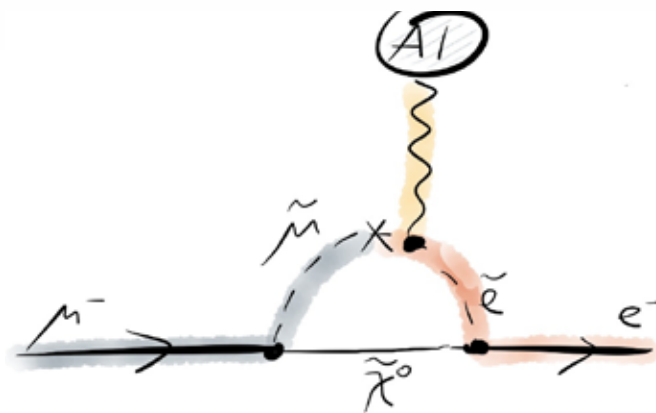
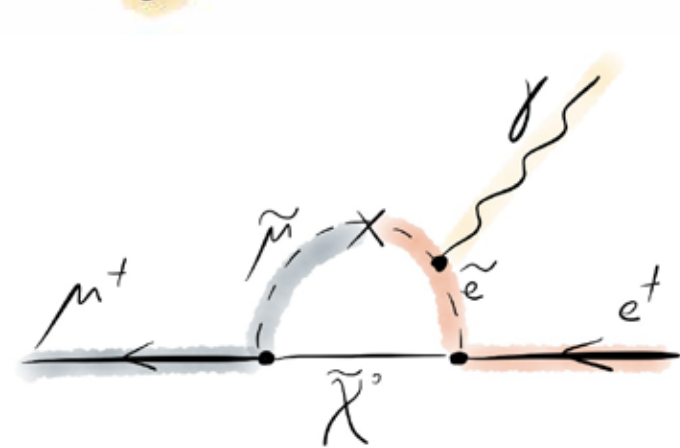
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$$\mu^- N \rightarrow e^- N$$



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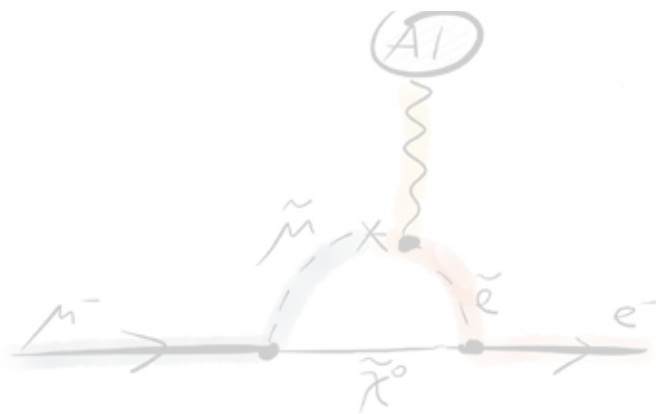
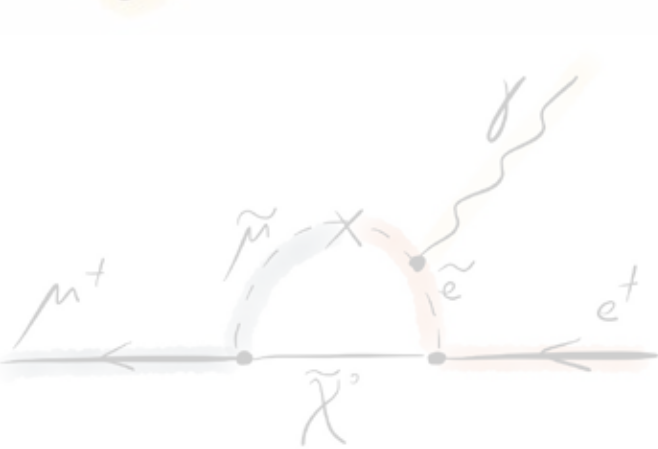


Suppressed by extra vertex w.r.t. $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$

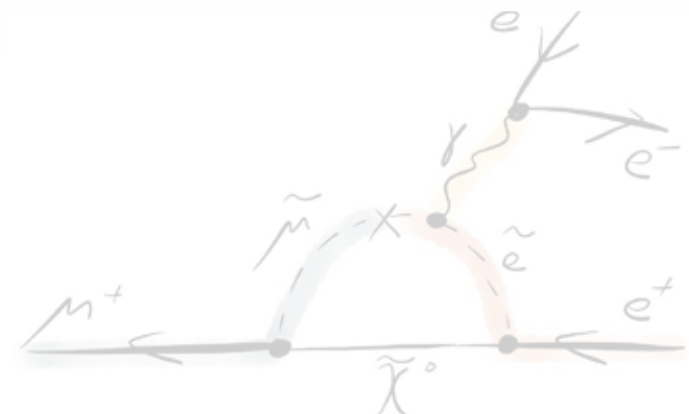


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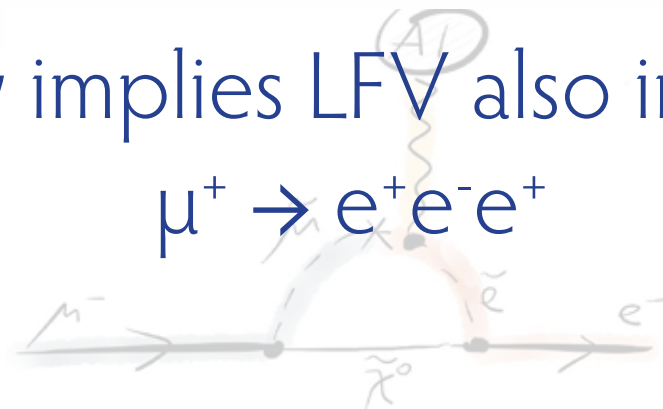
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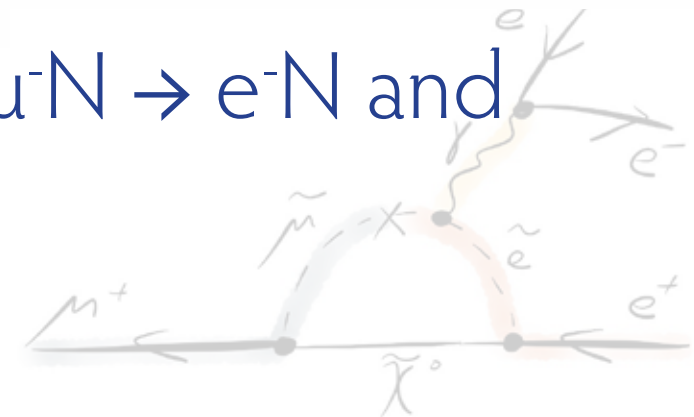
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LFV in $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma$ implies LFV also in $\mu^- N \rightarrow e^- N$ and

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

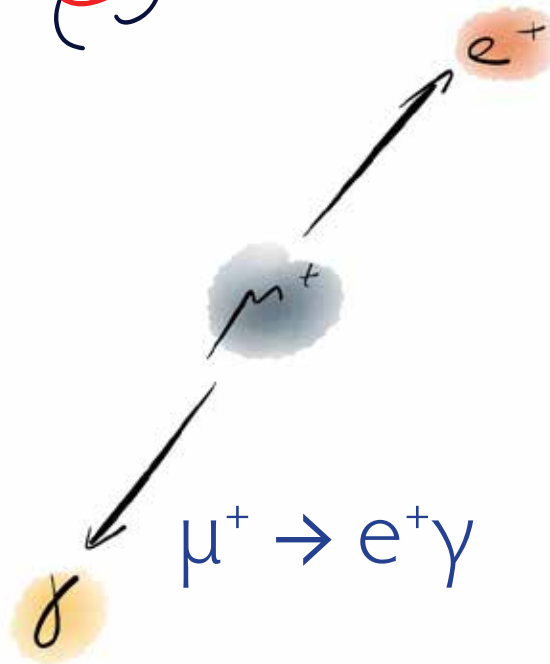


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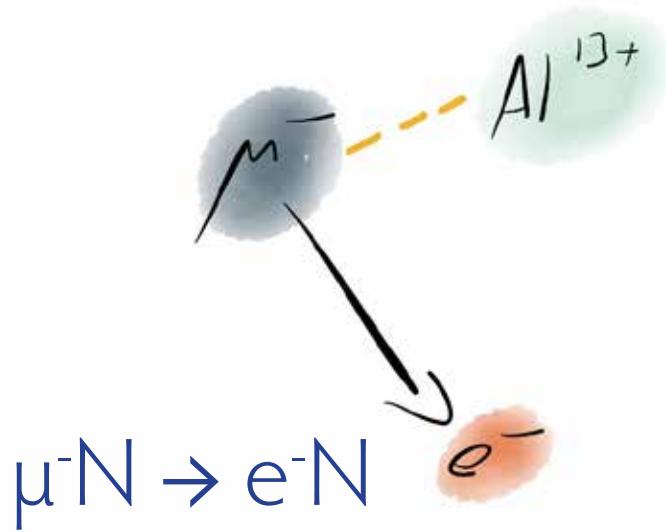


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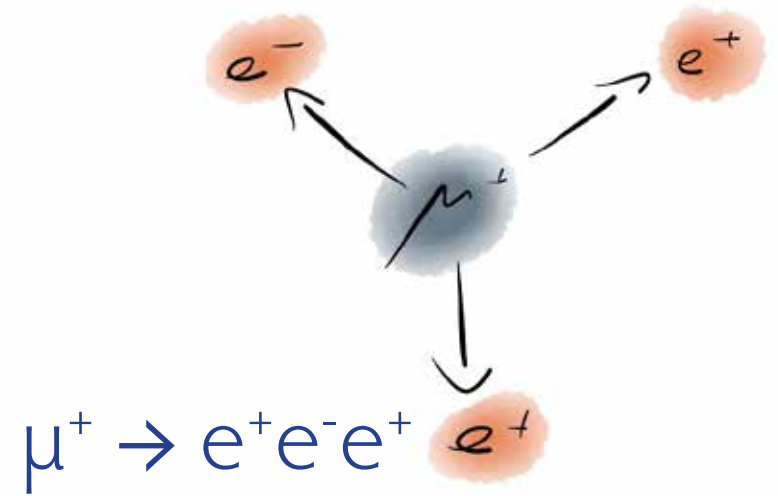
~~$\mu_3 e$~~ LFV Muon Decays: Tree diagrams



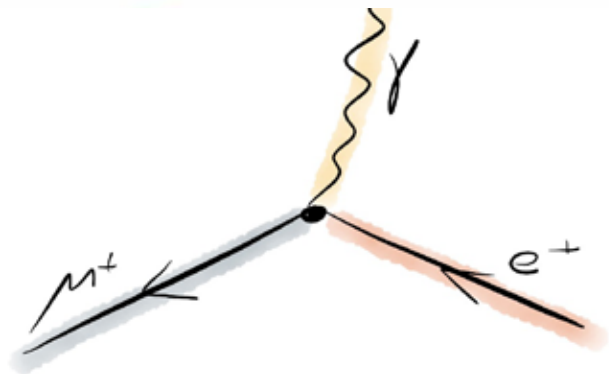
$$\mu^+ \rightarrow \gamma e^+$$



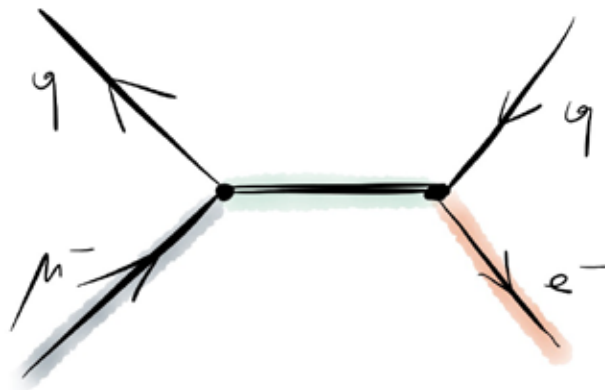
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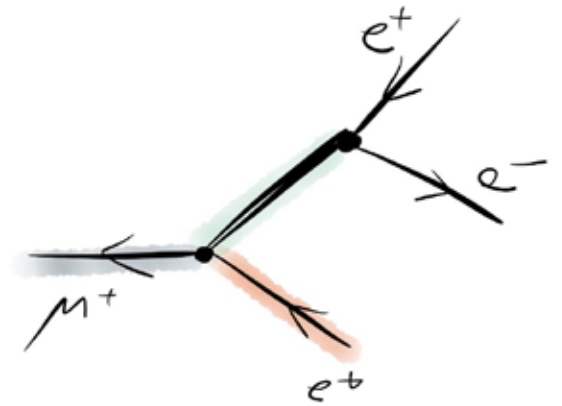
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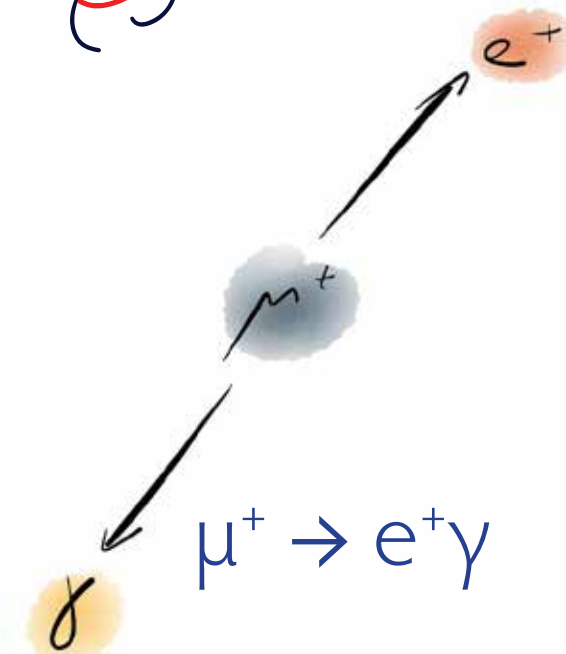


e.g. Leptoquarks



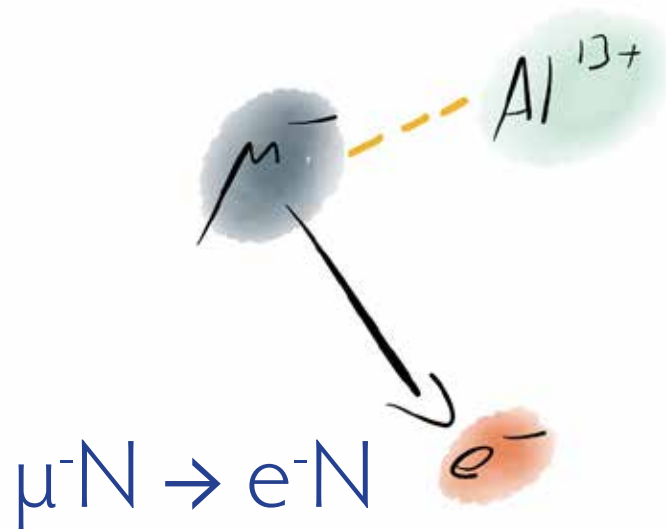
e.g. extra Z' , LFV Higgs etc.

LFV Muon Decays: Experimental signatures



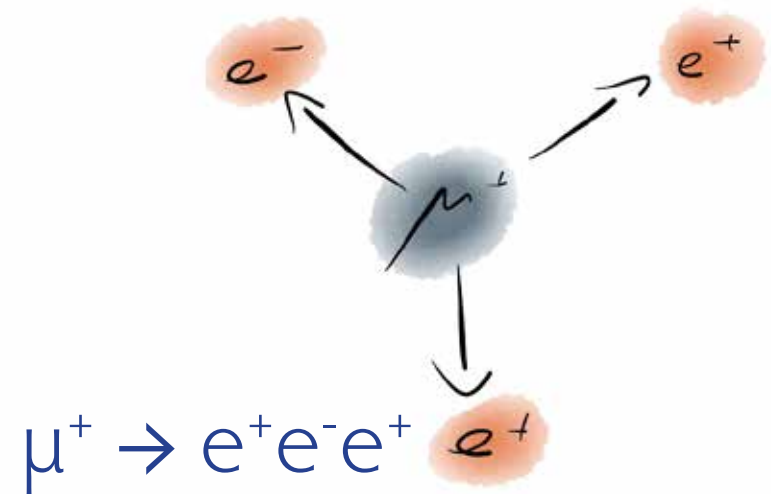
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- 2-body decay
- Monoenergetic e^+ , γ
- Back-to-back



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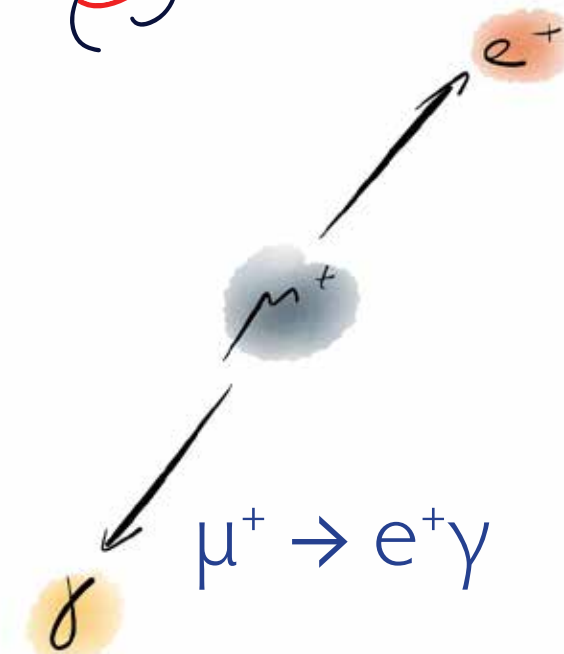
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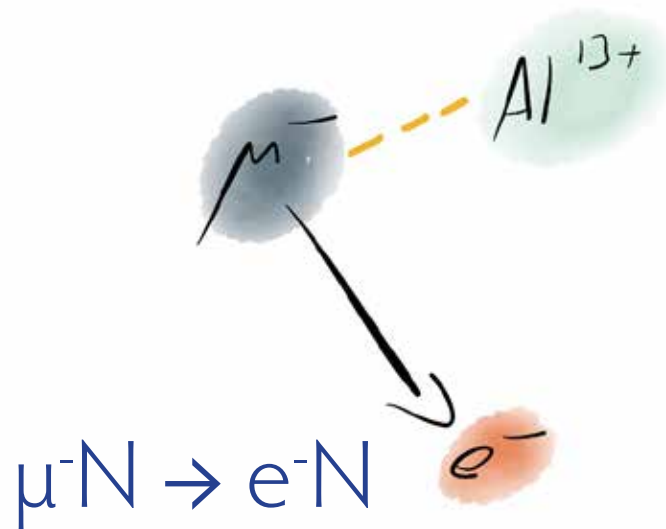


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- Accidental background

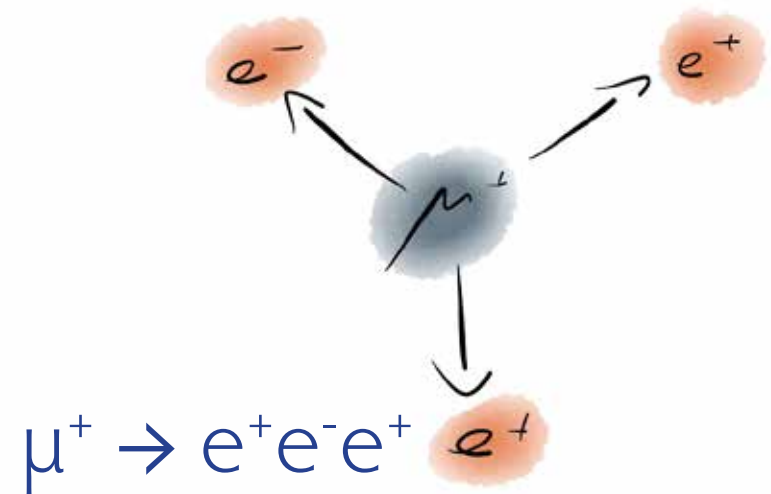


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- Decay in orbit
- Antiprotons, pions



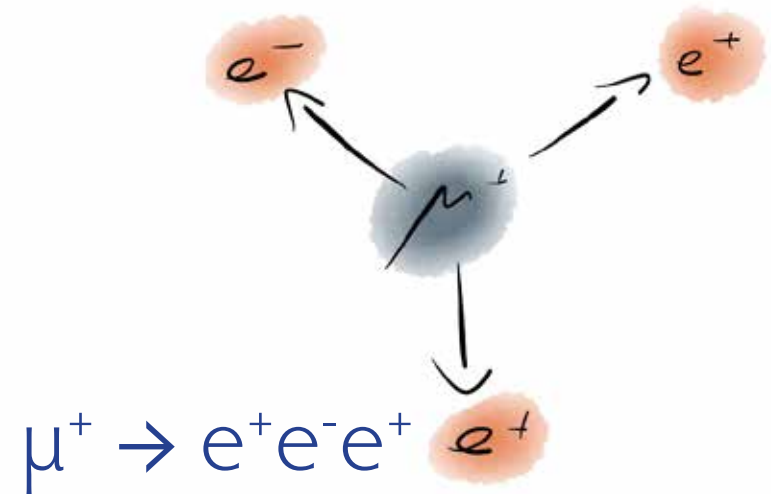
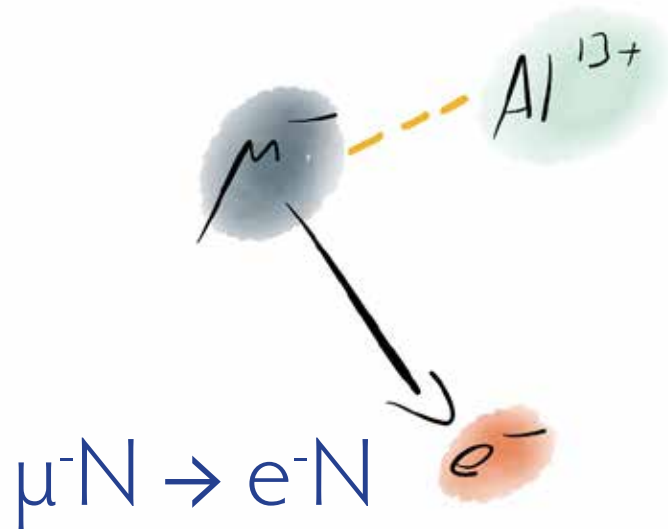
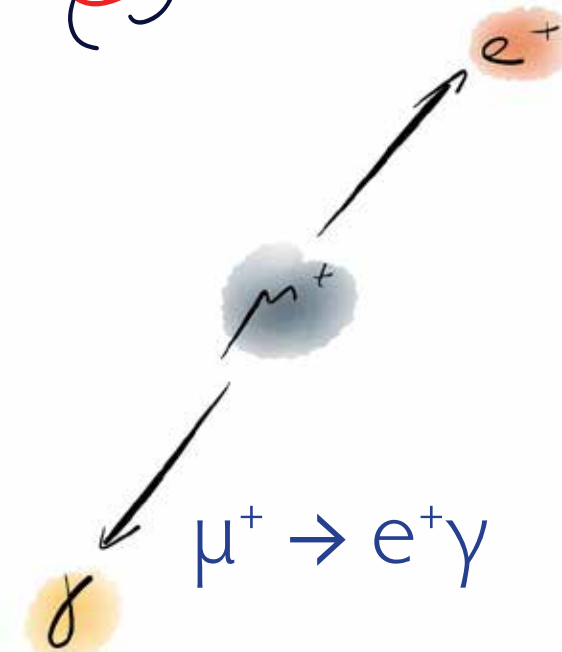
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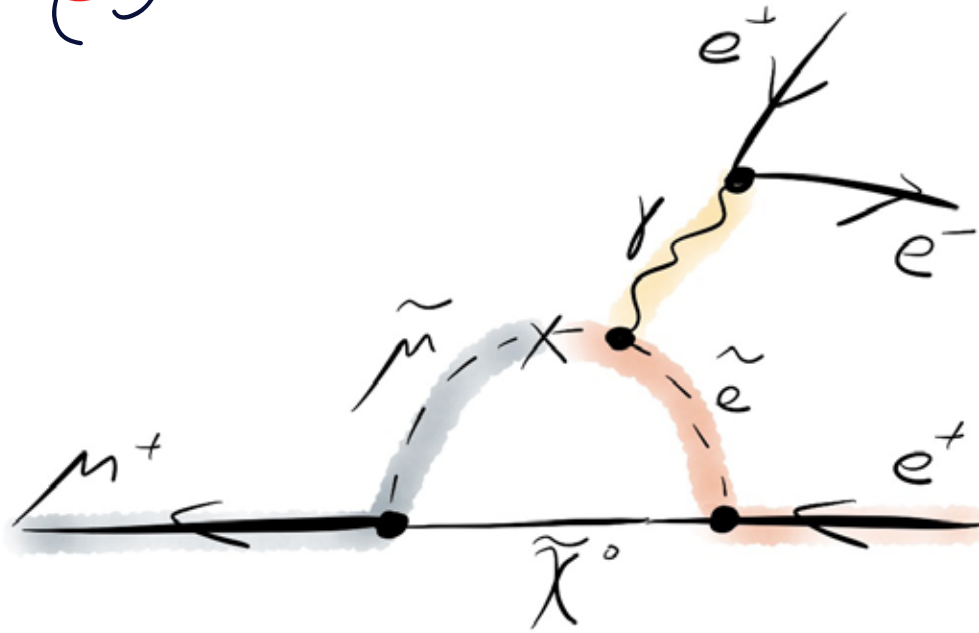
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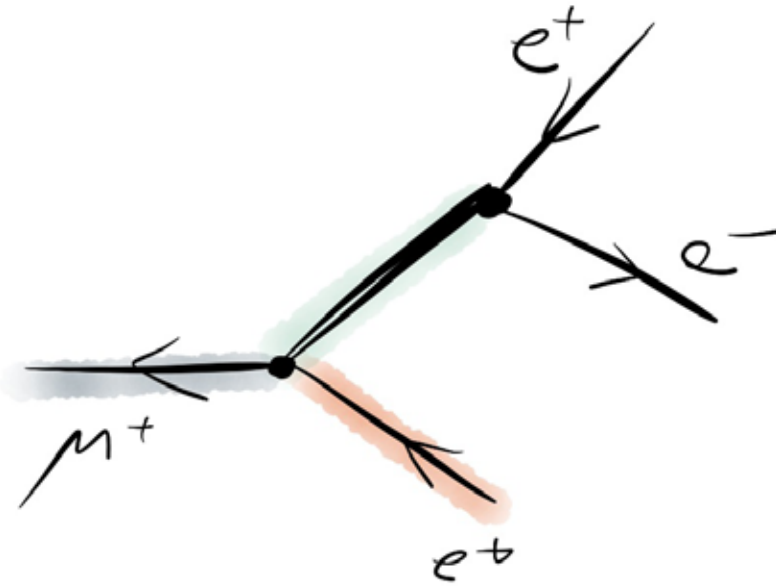
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New physics in $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+e^-e^+$



Loop diagrams

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



Tree diagrams

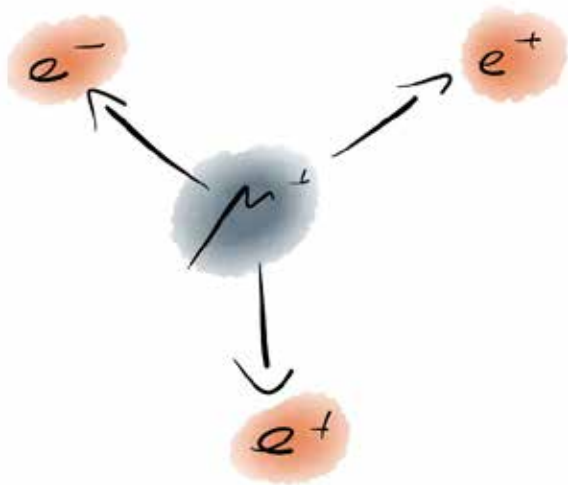
- Higgs triplet model
- Extra heavy vector bosons (Z')
- Extra dimensions (Kaluza-Klein tower)



Searching for
 $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+e^-e^+$ at the 10^{-16} level



The Mu3e experiment at PSI



Search for $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+e^-e^+$

Aim for sensitivity

- 10^{-15} in phase I
- 10^{-16} in phase II

Project approved in January 2013
just passed first review



The Mu3e Collaboration



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- DPNC, Geneva University



- Physics Institute, Heidelberg University



- KIP, Heidelberg University



ZITI Mannheim, Heidelberg University



- Paul Scherrer Institute



- Physics Institute, Zürich University

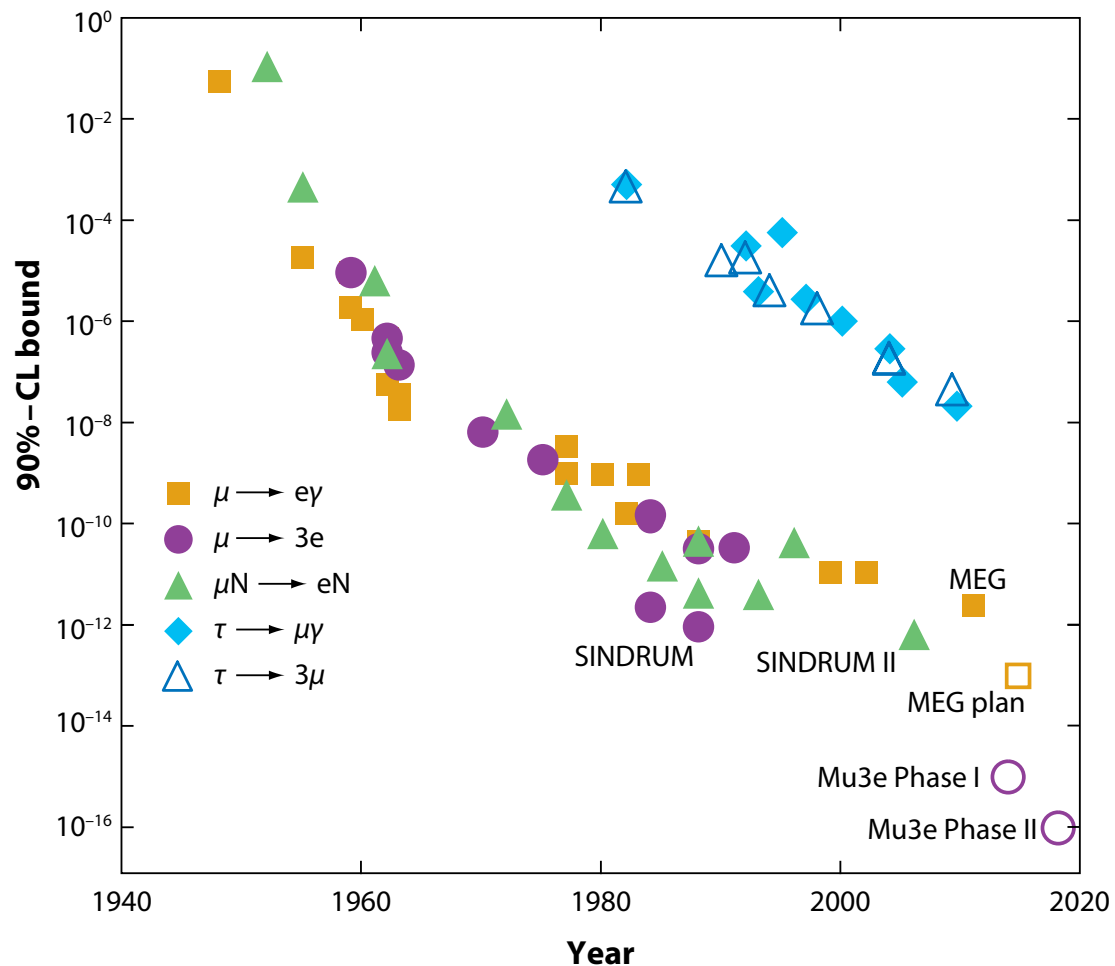


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Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich

- Institute for Particle Physics, ETH Zürich

The Goal: 10^{-16}

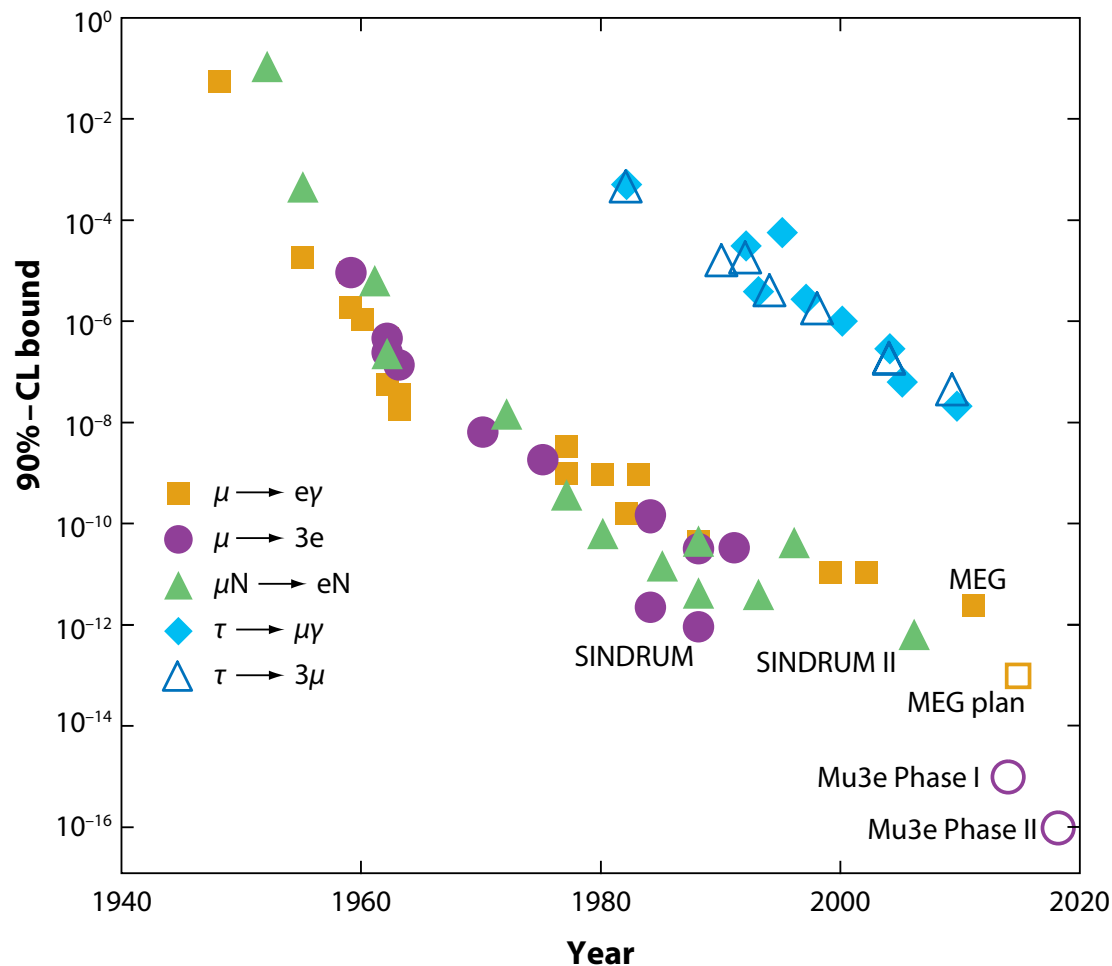
- We want to find or exclude $\mu \rightarrow eee$ at the 10^{-16} level
- 4 orders of magnitude over previous experiment (SINDRUM 1988)



(Updated from W.J. Marciano, T. Mori and J.M. Roney, *Ann.Rev.Nucl.Part.Sci.* 58, 315 (2008))

The Challenges

- Observe more than 10^{16} muon decays:
2 Billion muons per second



- Suppress backgrounds by more than 16 orders of magnitude
- Be sensitive for the signal

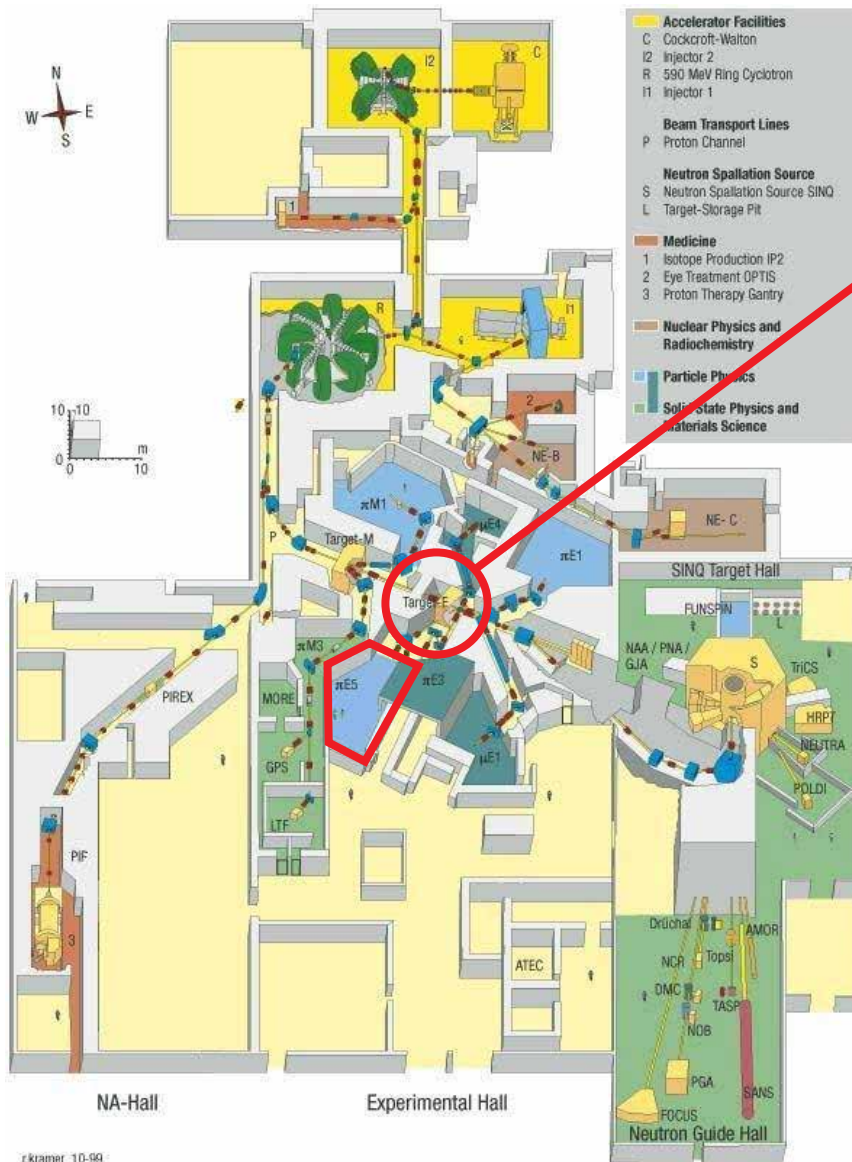
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Muons from PSI

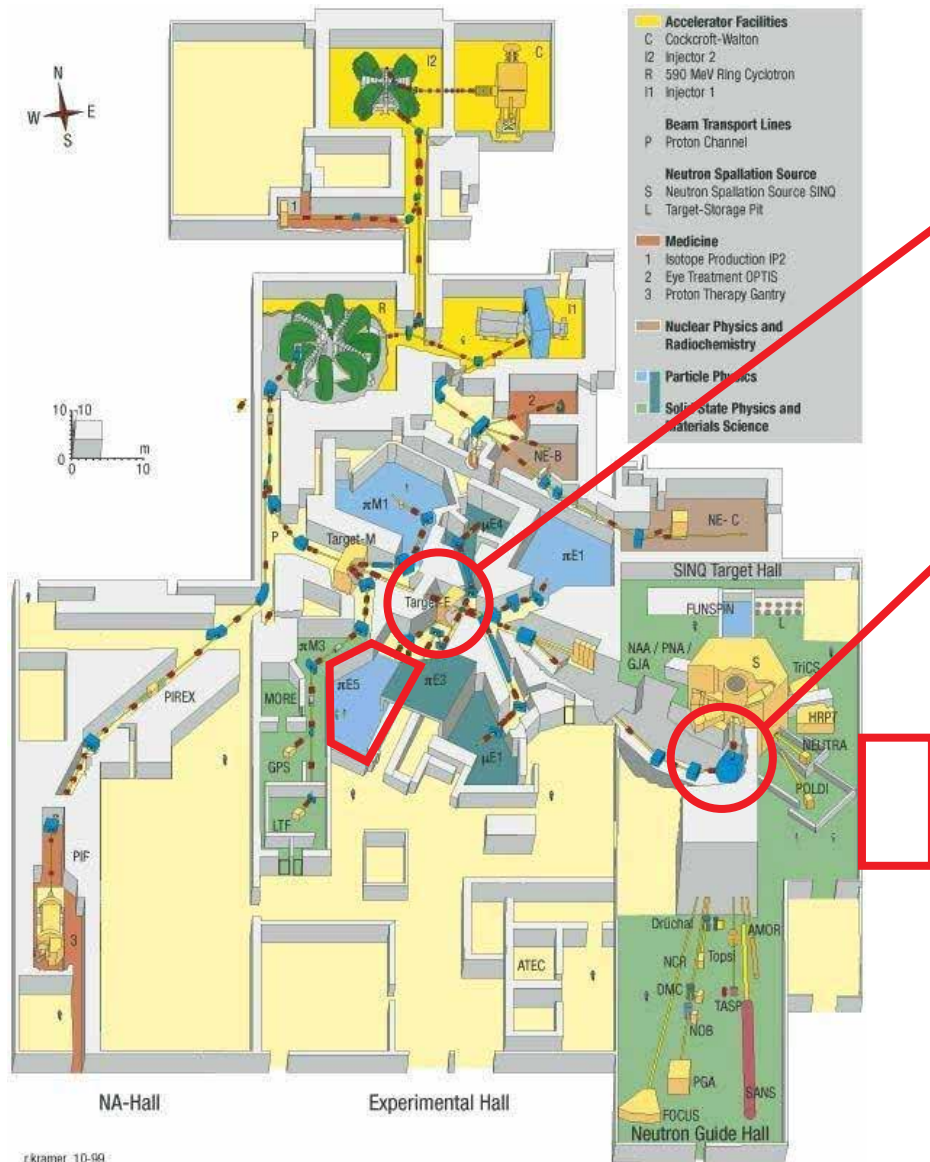
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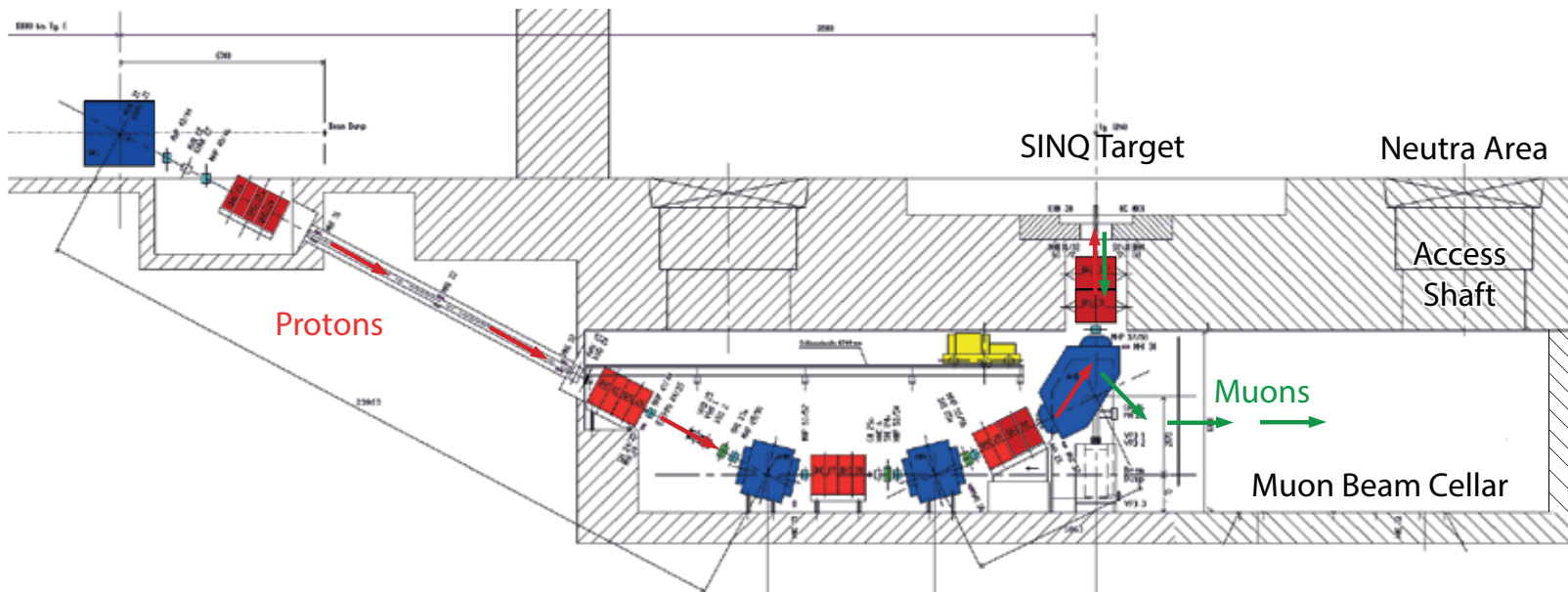
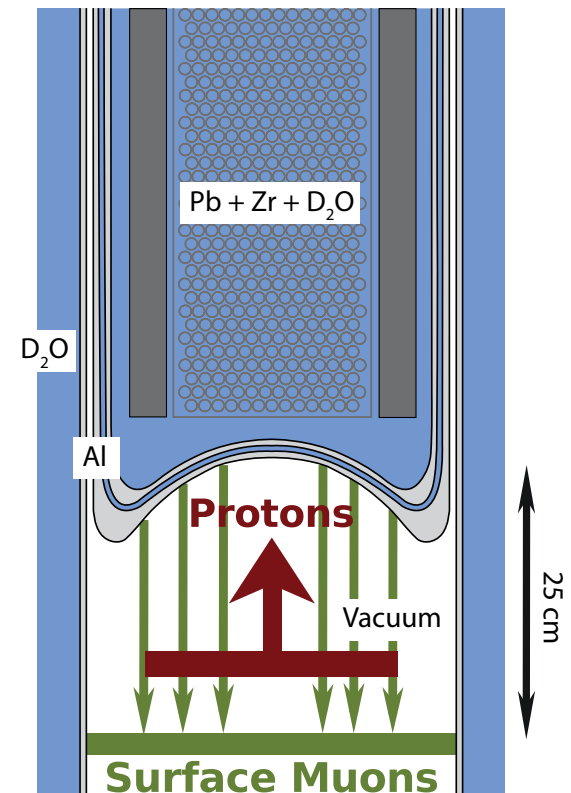
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(MEG experiment, Mu3e phase I)
- SINQ (spallation neutron source) target could even provide
 $\sim 5 \times 10^{10}$ muons/s
High intensity muon beamline (HIMB) proposal
- The $\mu \rightarrow eee$ experiment (final stage) requires 2×10^9 muons/s focused and collimated on a ~ 2 cm spot
- These are slow muons (29 MeV/c)
Stop and wait for decay



The High-Intensity Muon Beamline (HIMB)

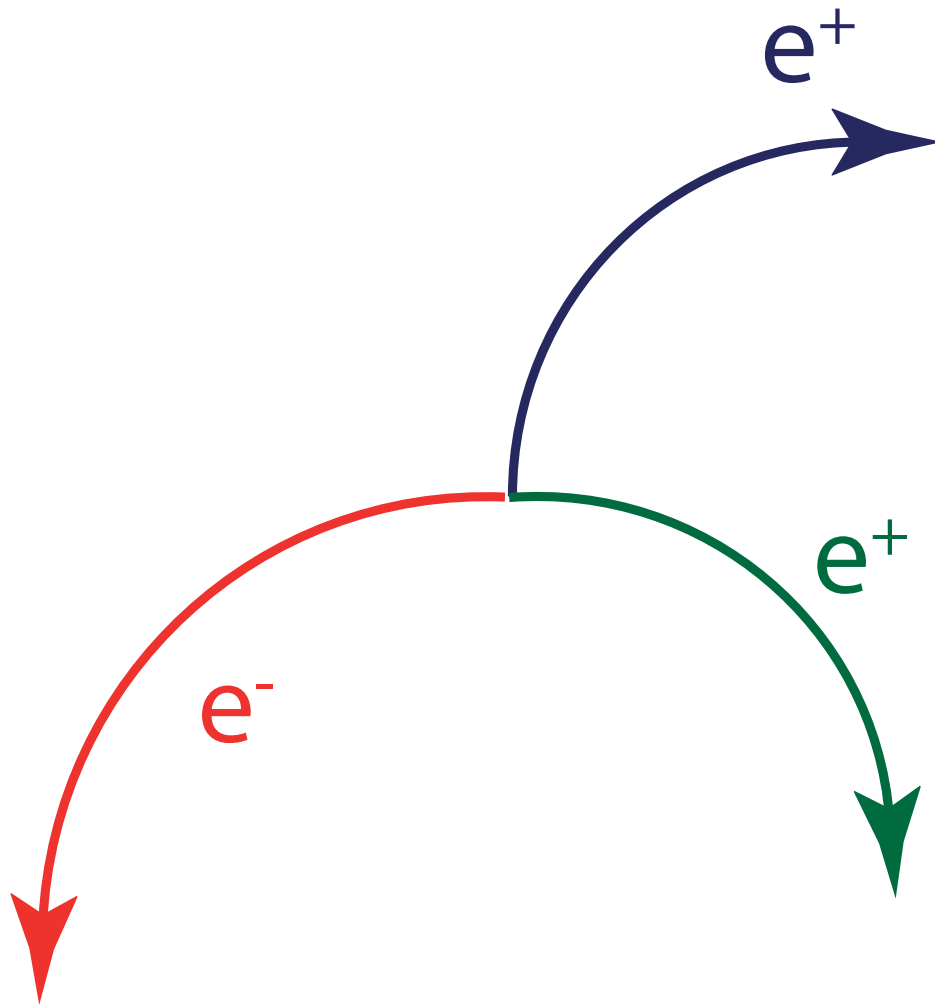


- Muon rates in excess of $10^{10}/s$ in acceptance
- $2 \cdot 10^9/s$ needed for $\mu \rightarrow eee$ at 10^{-16}
- Not before 2017



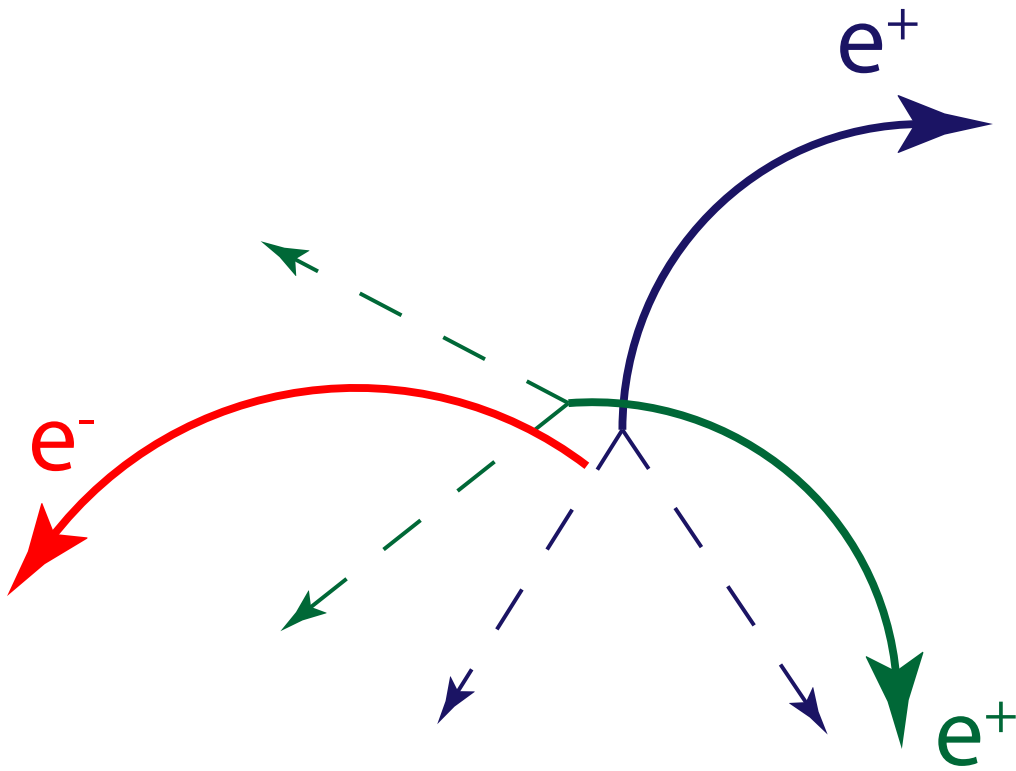


The signal



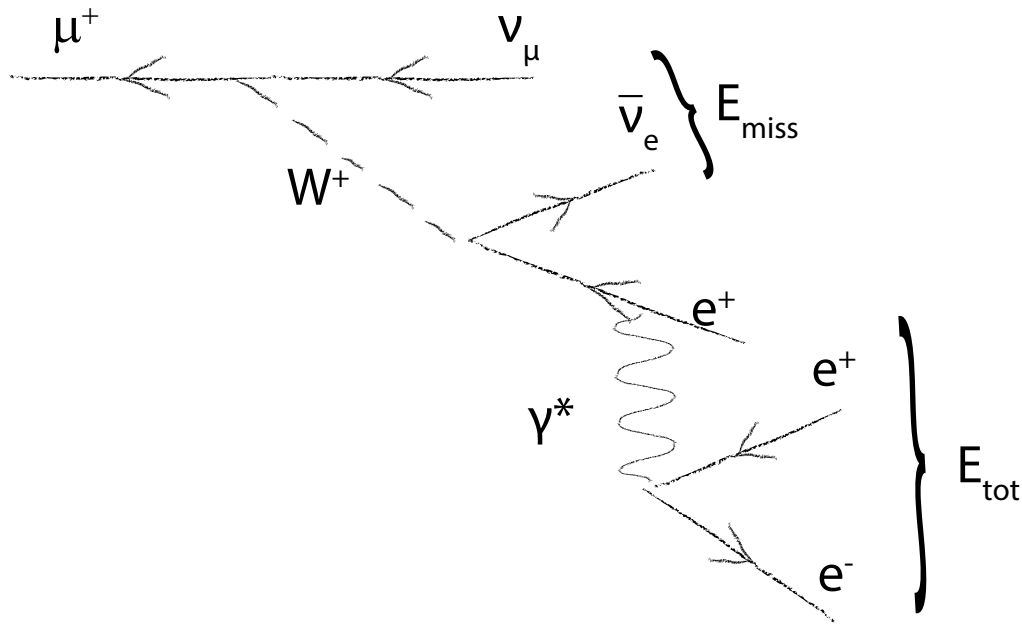
- $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^- e^+$
- Two positrons, one electron
- From same vertex
- Same time
- Sum of 4-momenta corresponds to muon at rest
- Maximum momentum: $\frac{1}{2} m_\mu = 53 \text{ MeV}/c$

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

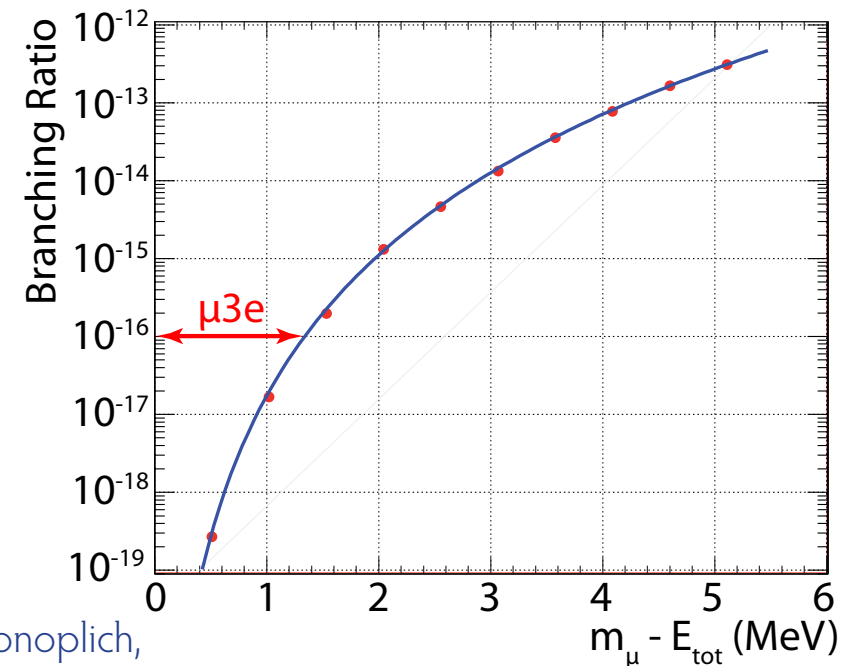


- Allowed radiative decay with internal conversion:

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

- Only distinguishing feature:
Missing momentum carried by neutrinos

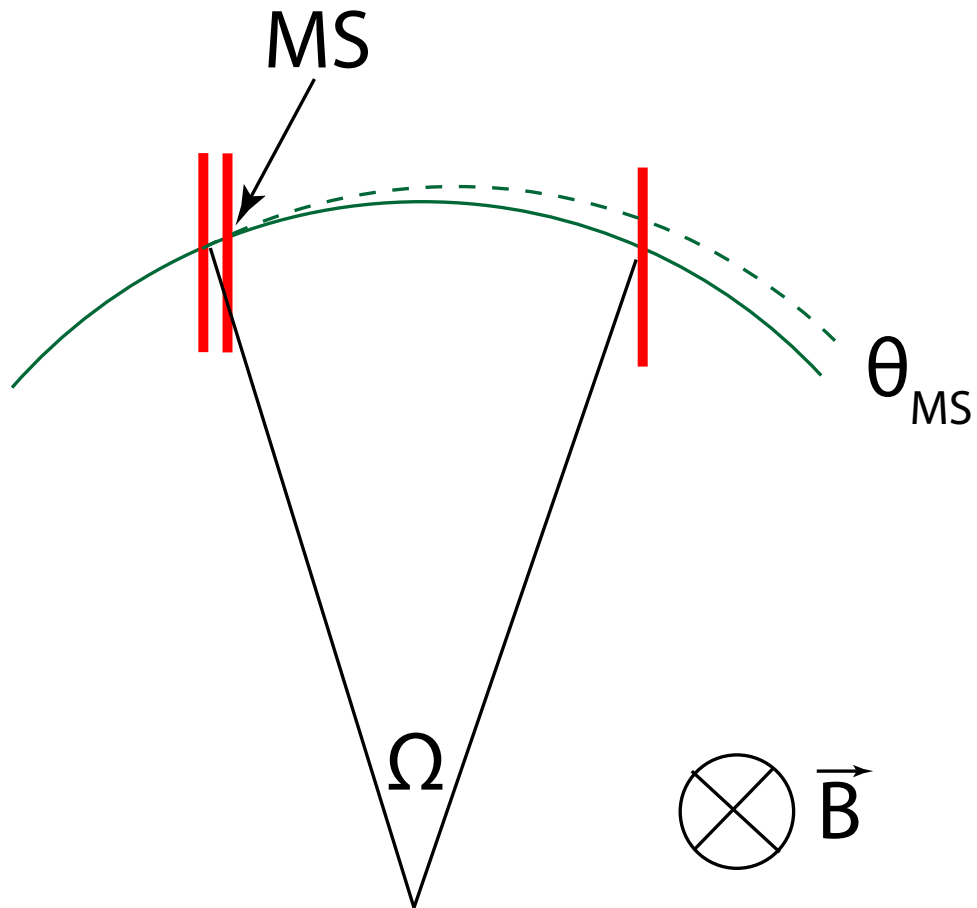
- Need excellent momentum resolution



(R. M. Djilkibaev, R. V. Konoplich,
Phys.Rev. D79 (2009) 073004)

Building the
Mu3e Experiment

Momentum measurement



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

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

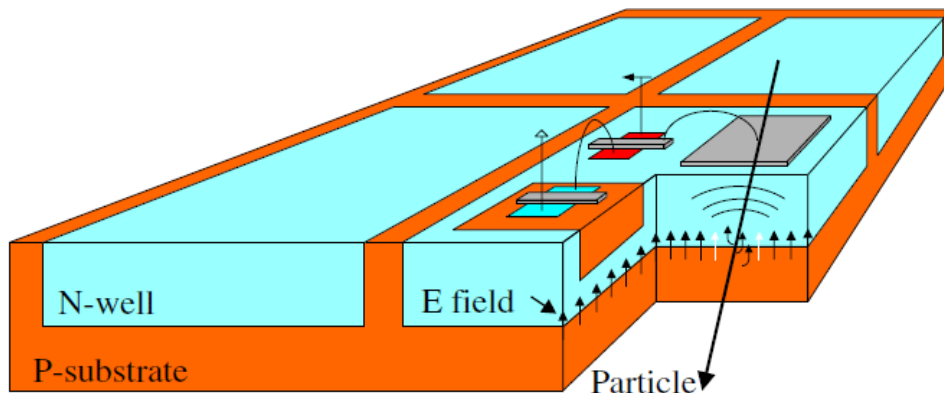
- Precision requires large lever arm (large bending angle Ω) and **low multiple scattering θ_{MS}**



Fast and thin sensors: HV-MAPS

High voltage monolithic active pixel sensors

- Implement logic directly in N-well in the pixel - smart diode array
- Use a high voltage commercial process (automotive industry)
- Small active region, fast charge collection via drift
- Can be thinned down to $< 50 \mu\text{m}$



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



The MUIPX chips

MUIPX2

36 x 42 pixels
30 x 39 μm pixel size
1.8 mm^2 active area

MUIPX3 and 4

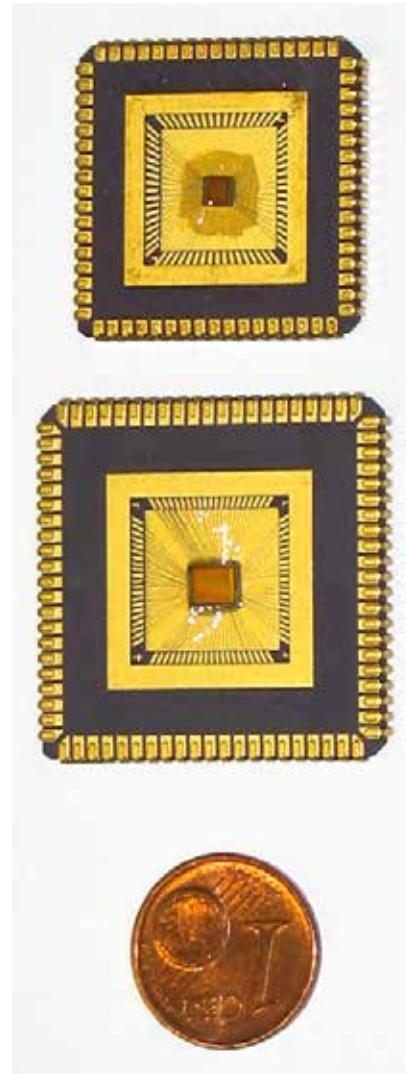
40 x 32 pixels
80 x 92 μm pixel size
9.4 mm^2 active area

MUIPX6

submitted

For Mu3e:

256 x 256 pixels
80 x 80 μm pixel size
4 cm^2 area, 95% active



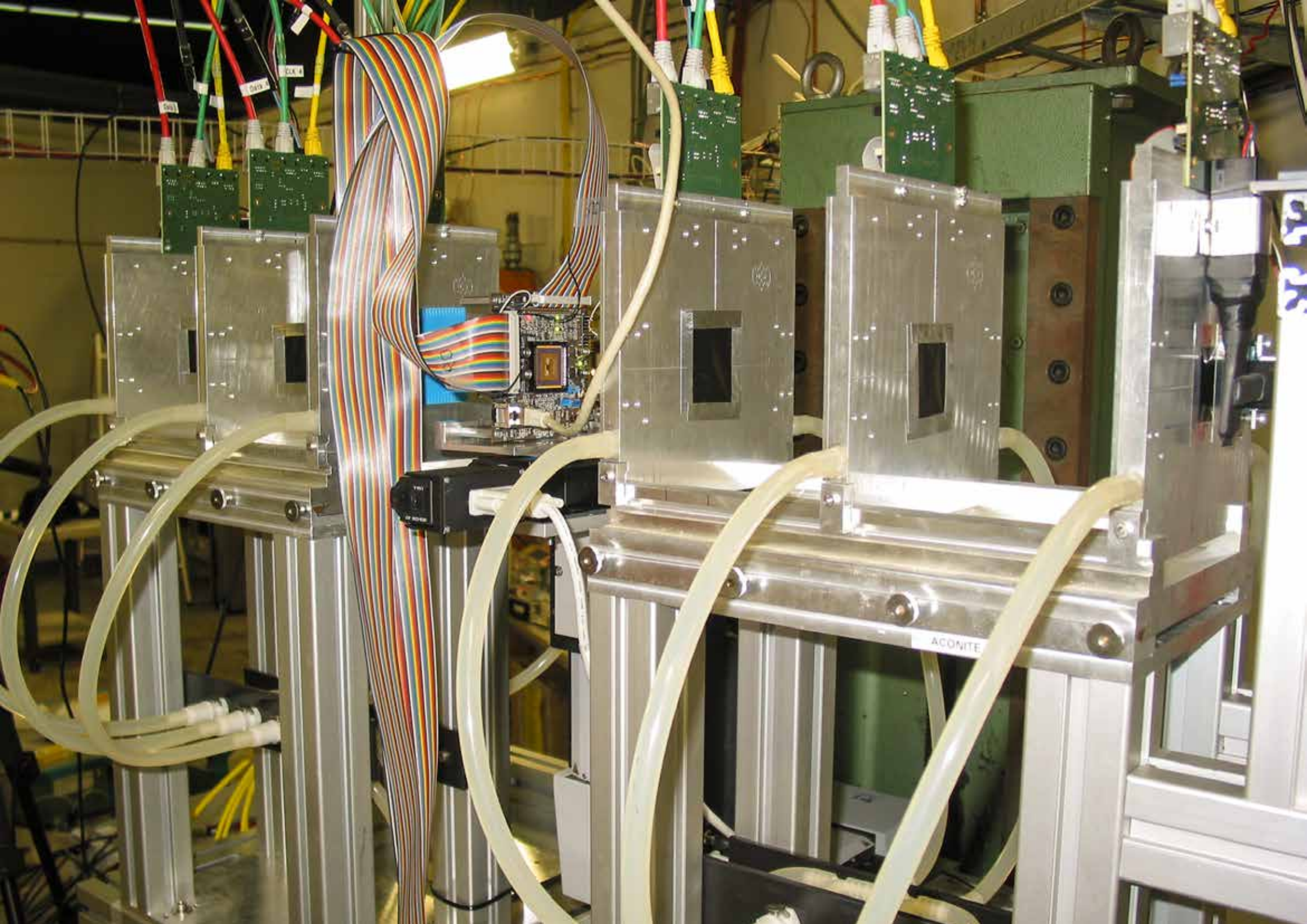
HV-MAPS chips: AMS 180 nm HV-CMOS

- MUIPX2:

Characterization during 2012
Single pixel Time-Over-Threshold
Binary pixel matrix

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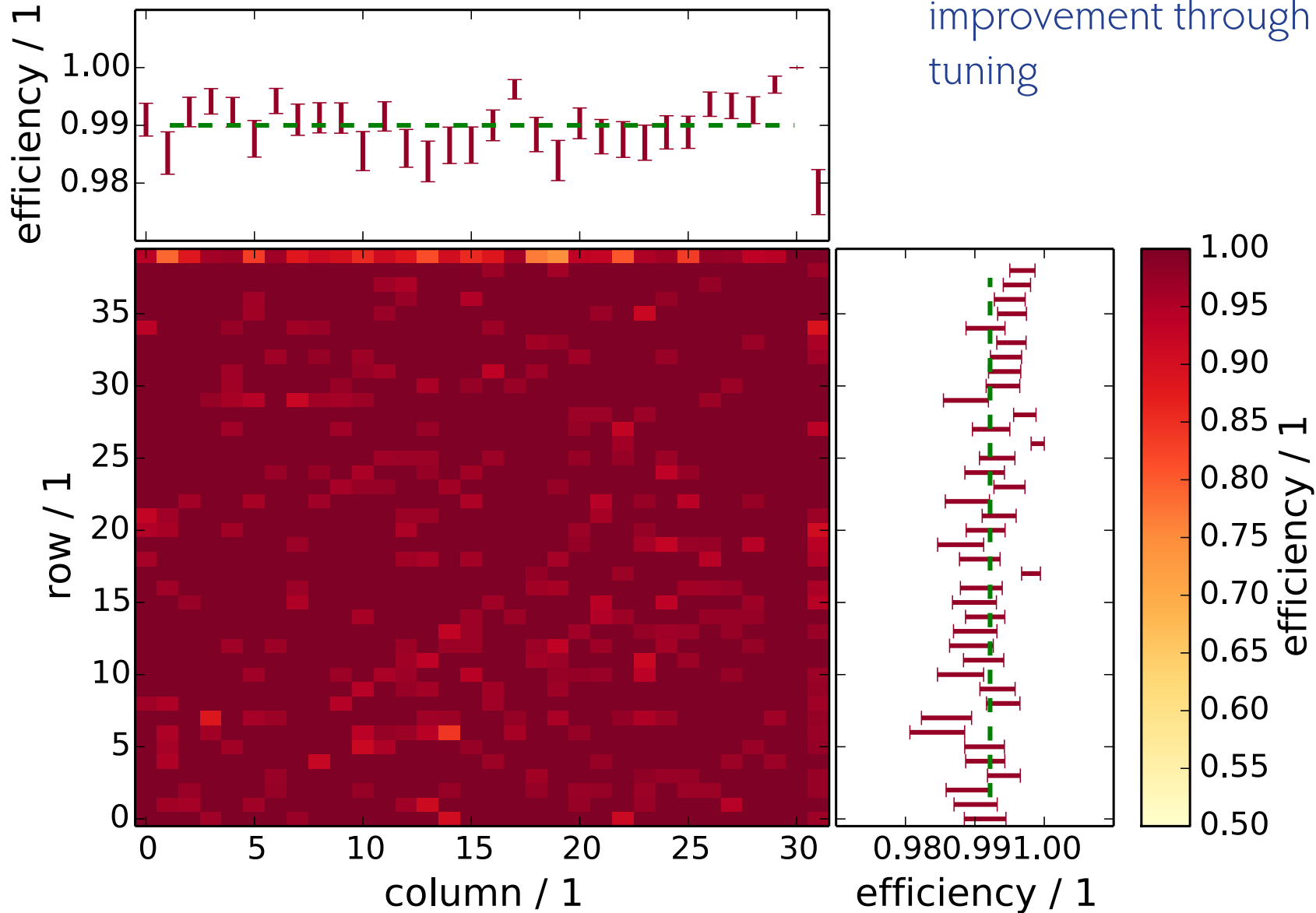
Tested extensively during 2013 and
right now here at Testbeam 22
Column logic with address generation
(#3 had configuration problems,
#4 works nicely, address problems in half
the columns)





MUPIX4 Results

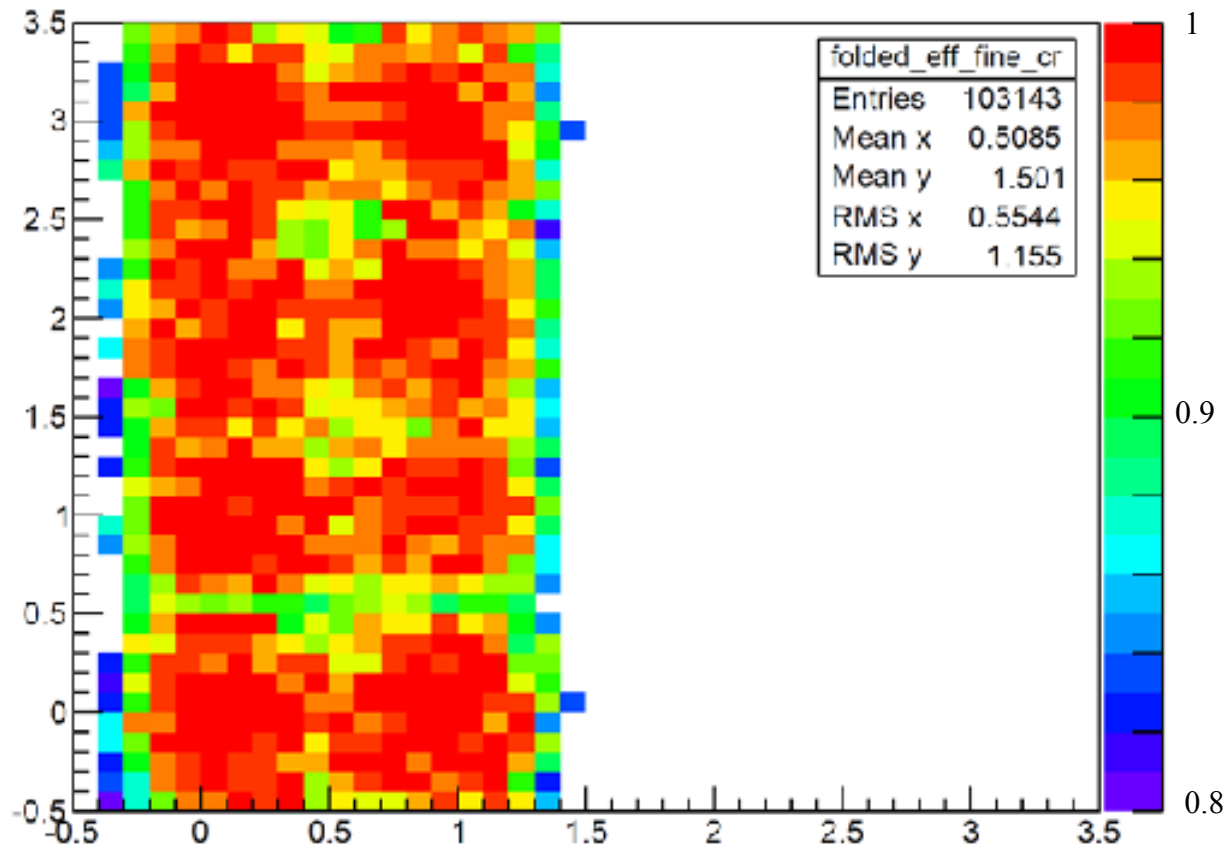
99% efficient - some room for improvement through individual pixel tuning



Pixel structure

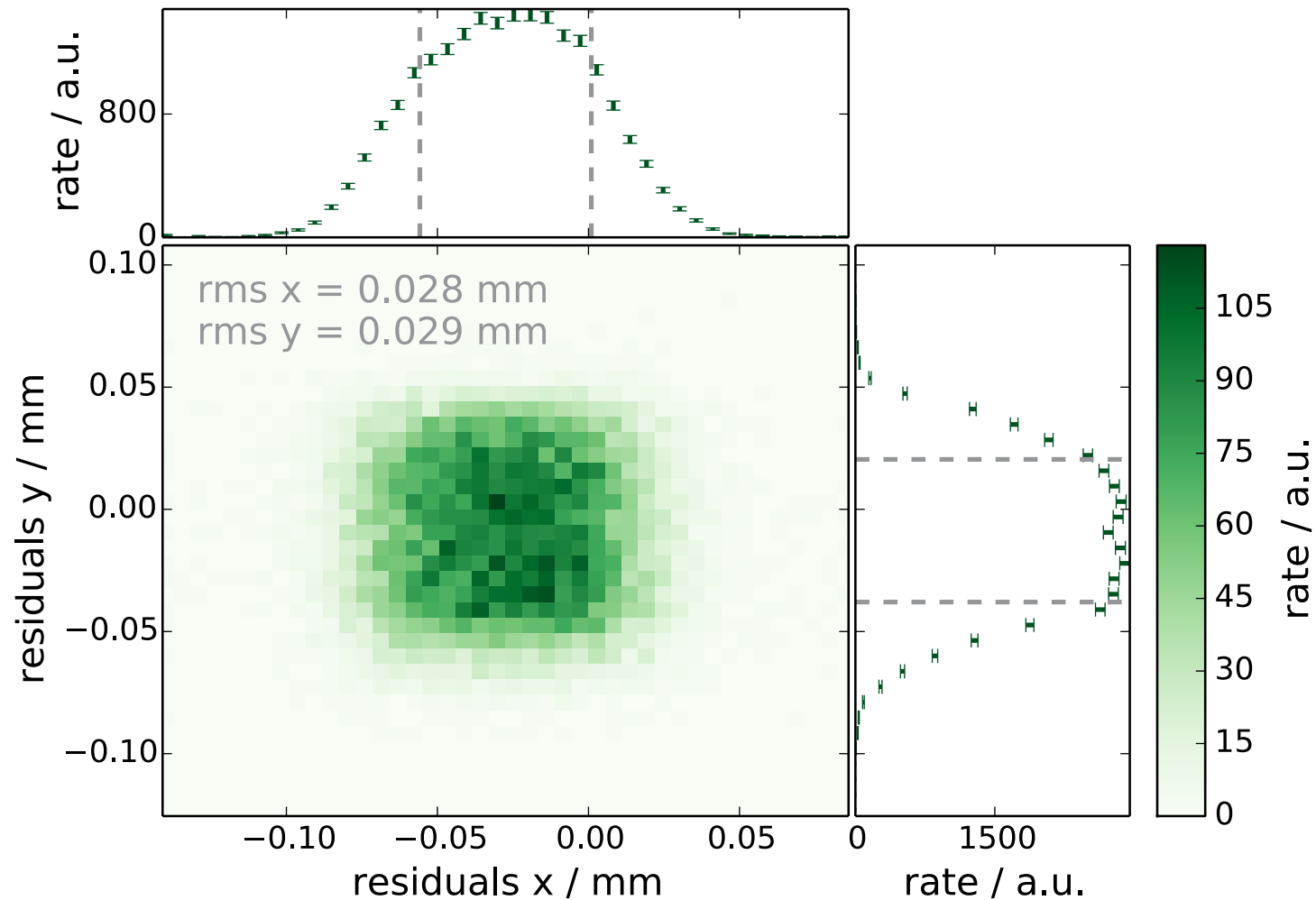
Data folded to four by four pixels

- Some loss at edges through charge sharing
- Guard ring at wrong potential (fixed in MUIPX 6)
- Half the pixels without row address (fixed in MUIPX6)



Spatial resolution

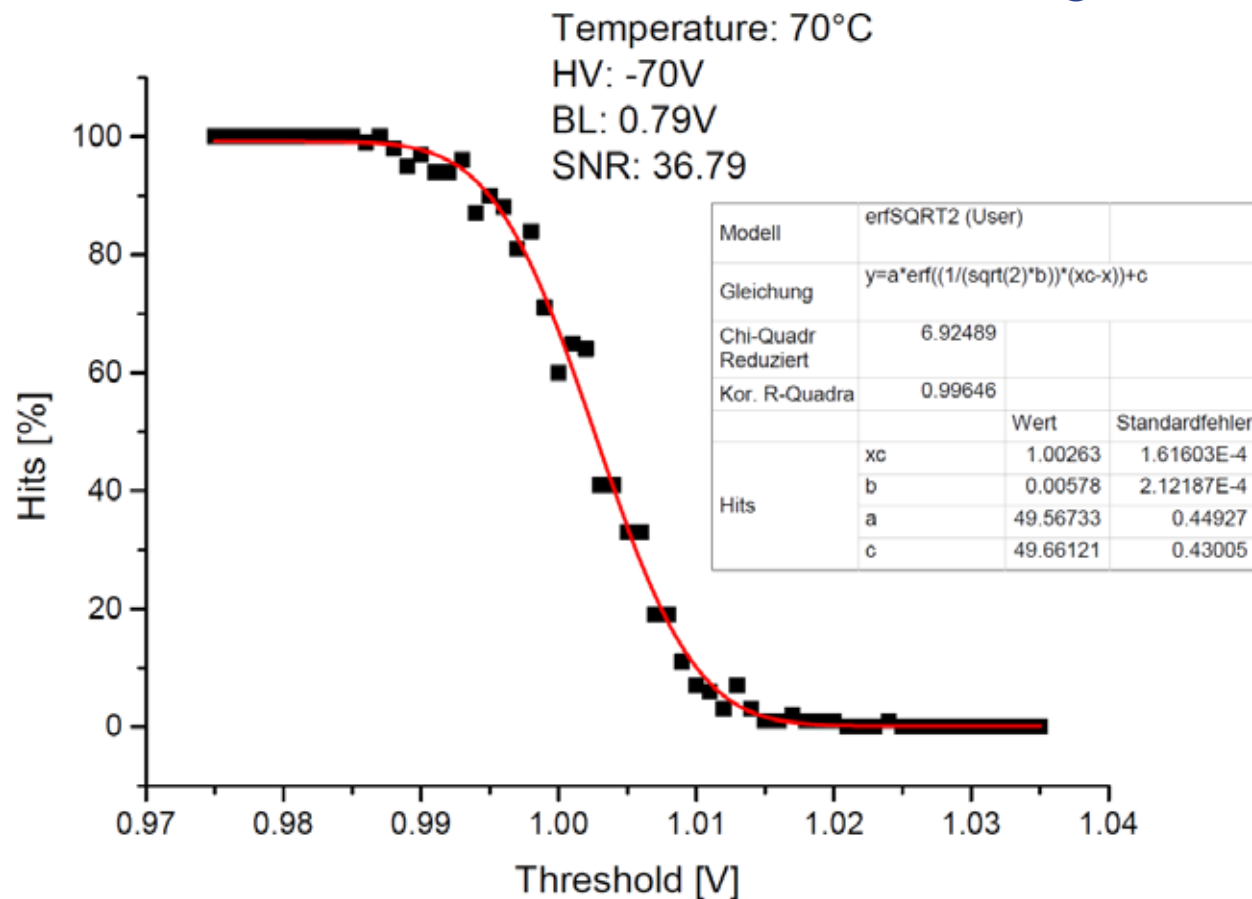
- Binary readout:
Given by pixel size plus telescope contribution





Signal-to-Noise

- Signal calibrated with Strontium source
- Noise from fit to S-curve (width of threshold) with a fixed injection signal
- Signal/Noise above 30

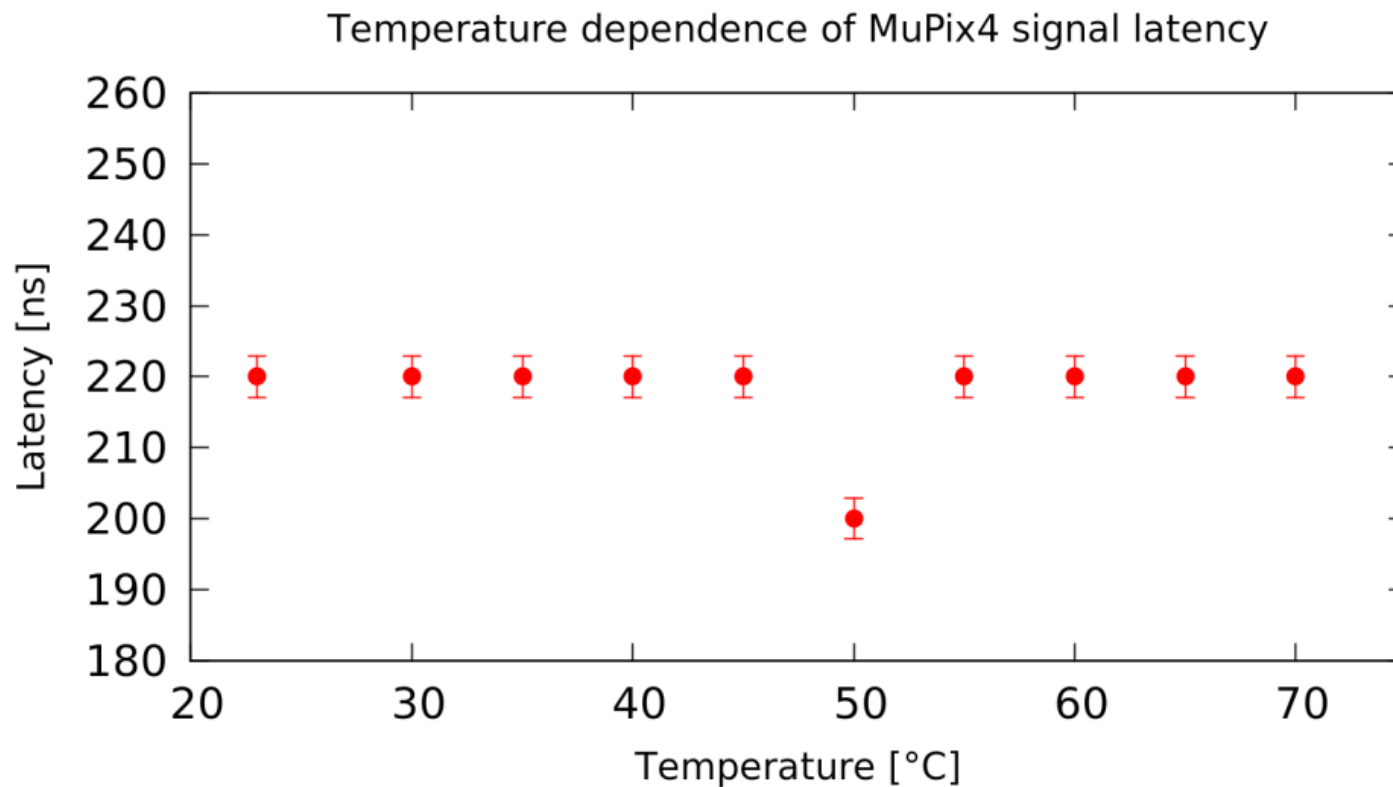




Temperature stability

Latency measurement

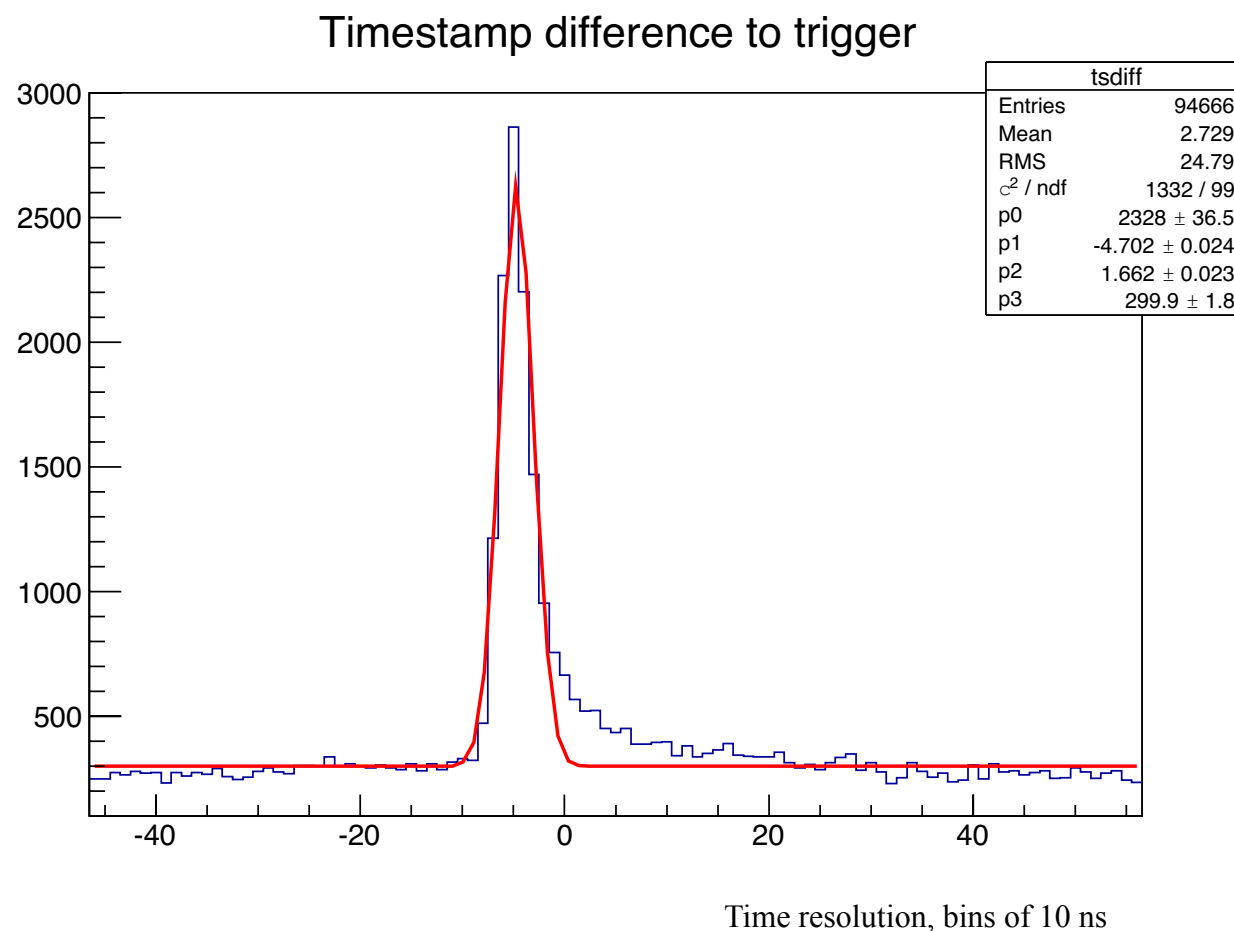
- LED pulse to pixel discriminator output
- Setup in oven, 20-70°C
- Temperature dependence within resolution of setup



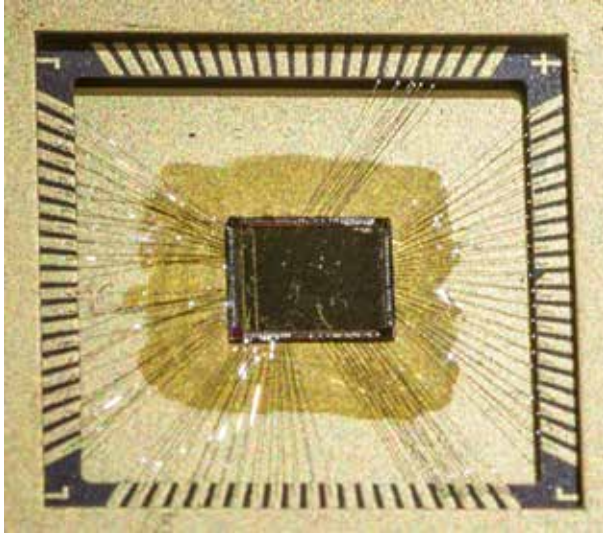


Time measurement

- External Gray-counter (100 MHz) registered on hit
- 17 ns time resolution, with significant contribution from setup

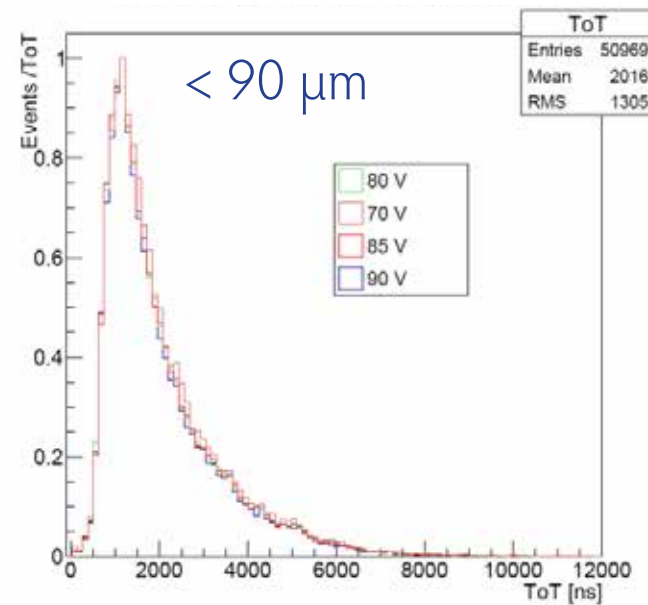
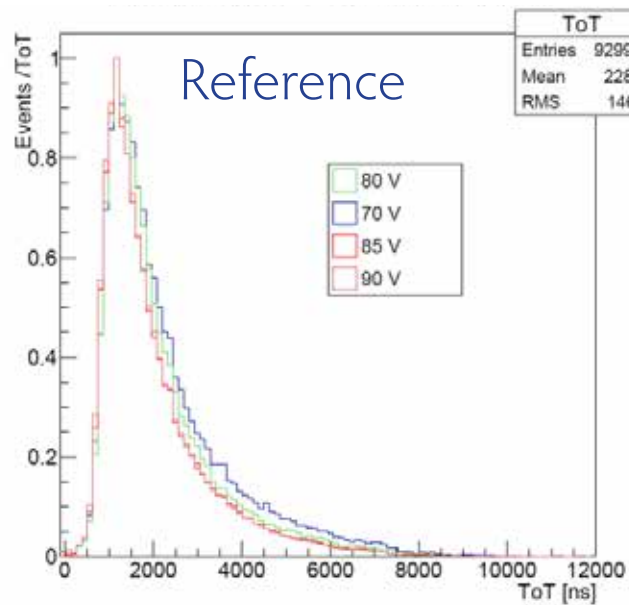


Thinned sensors

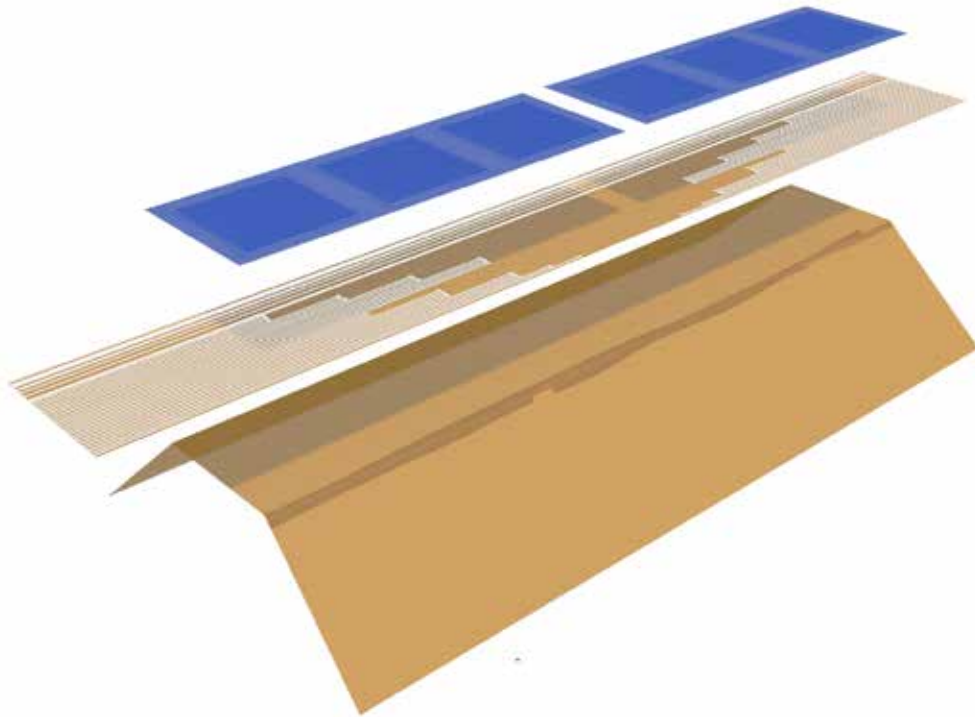


Single dies thinned to $< 90 \mu\text{m}$

- Tested in lab and PSI test beam ($193 \text{ MeV } \pi^+$)
- No significant difference in pulse shape





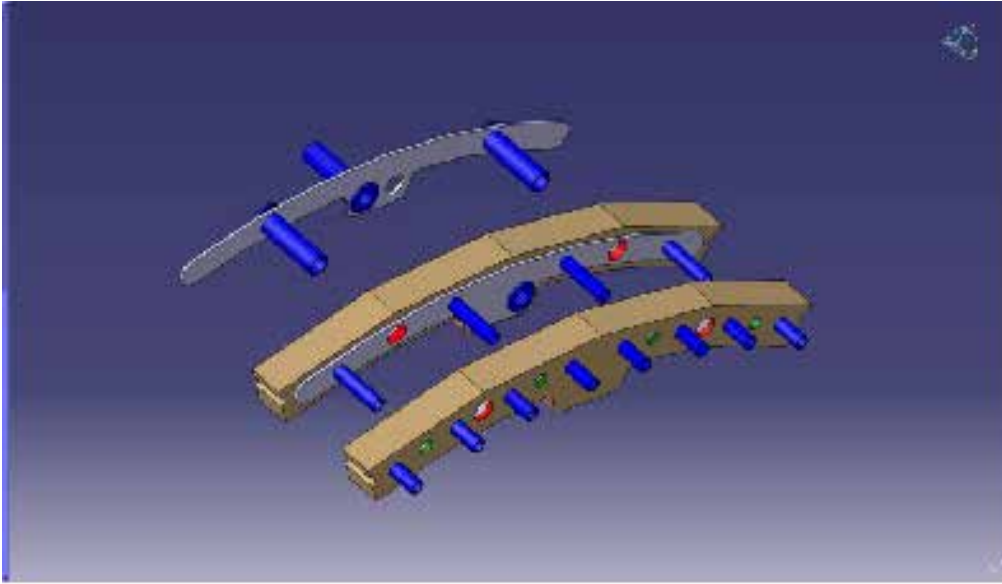


- 50 μm silicon
- 25 μm KaptonTM flexprint with aluminium traces
- 25 μm KaptonTM frame as support
- Less than 1‰ of a radiation length per layer

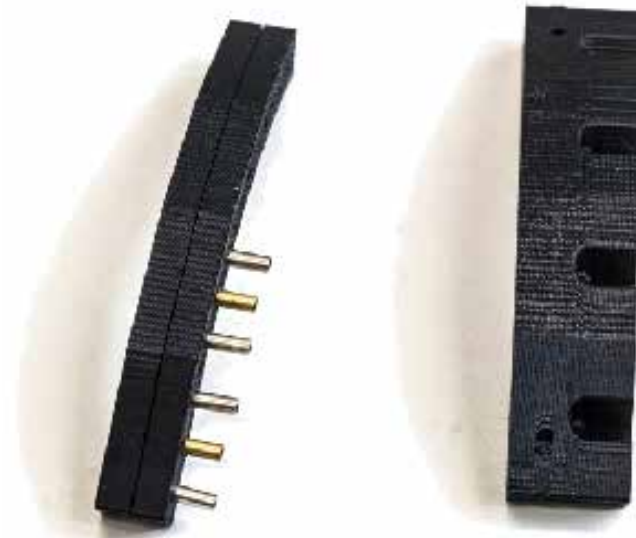




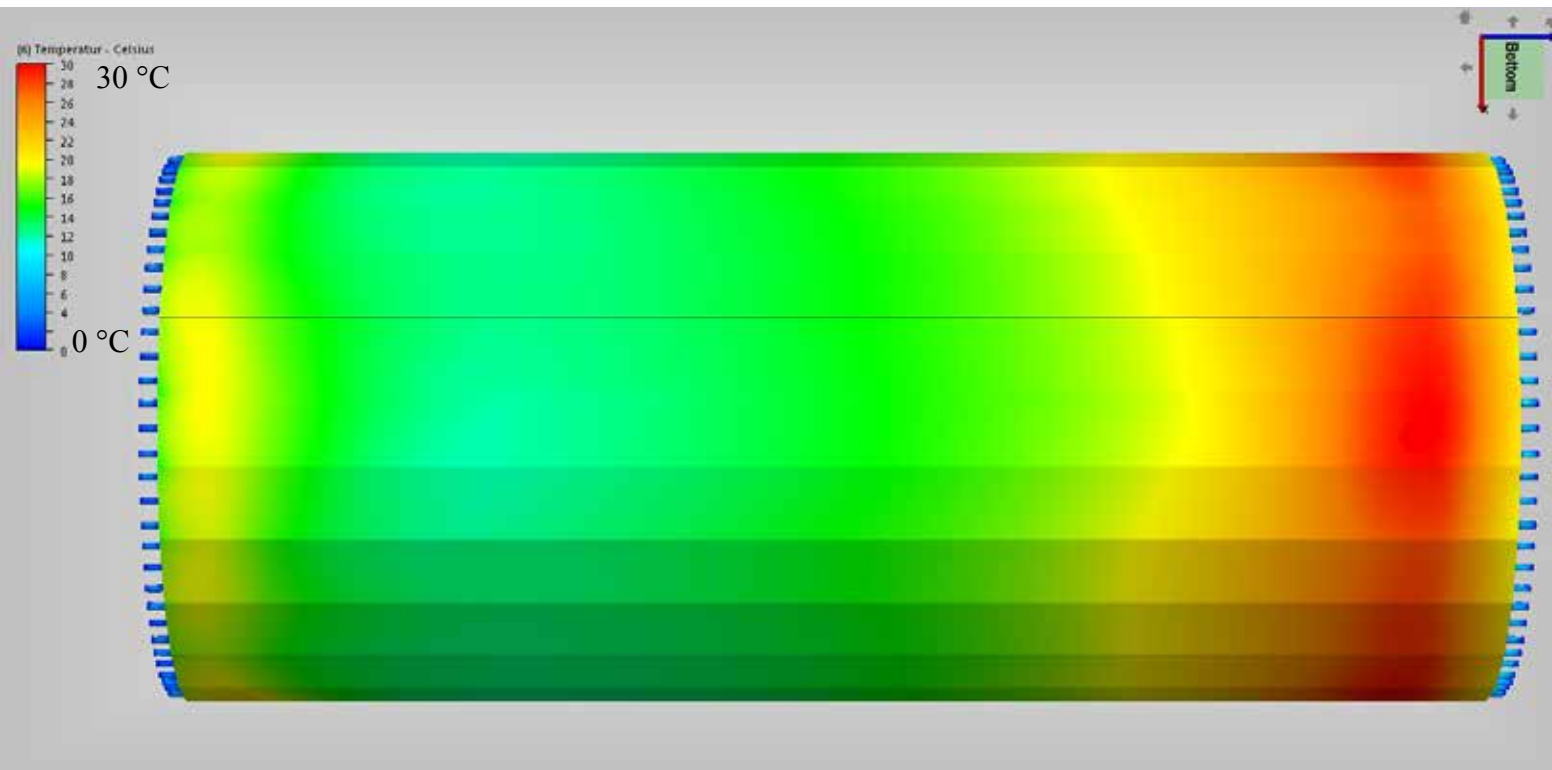
Cooling



- Add no material:
Cool with gaseous Helium
- $\sim 150 \text{ mW/cm}^2$ - total 2 kW
- Helium has 16 times mobility of air
- Simulations: Need $\sim 1 \text{ m/s}$ flow



Cooling simulation



Configuration:

Main helium flux: $v = 0.5 \text{ m/s}$

Flux in Nozzle: $v = 5 \text{ m/s}$

31.42 mL/s per nozzle

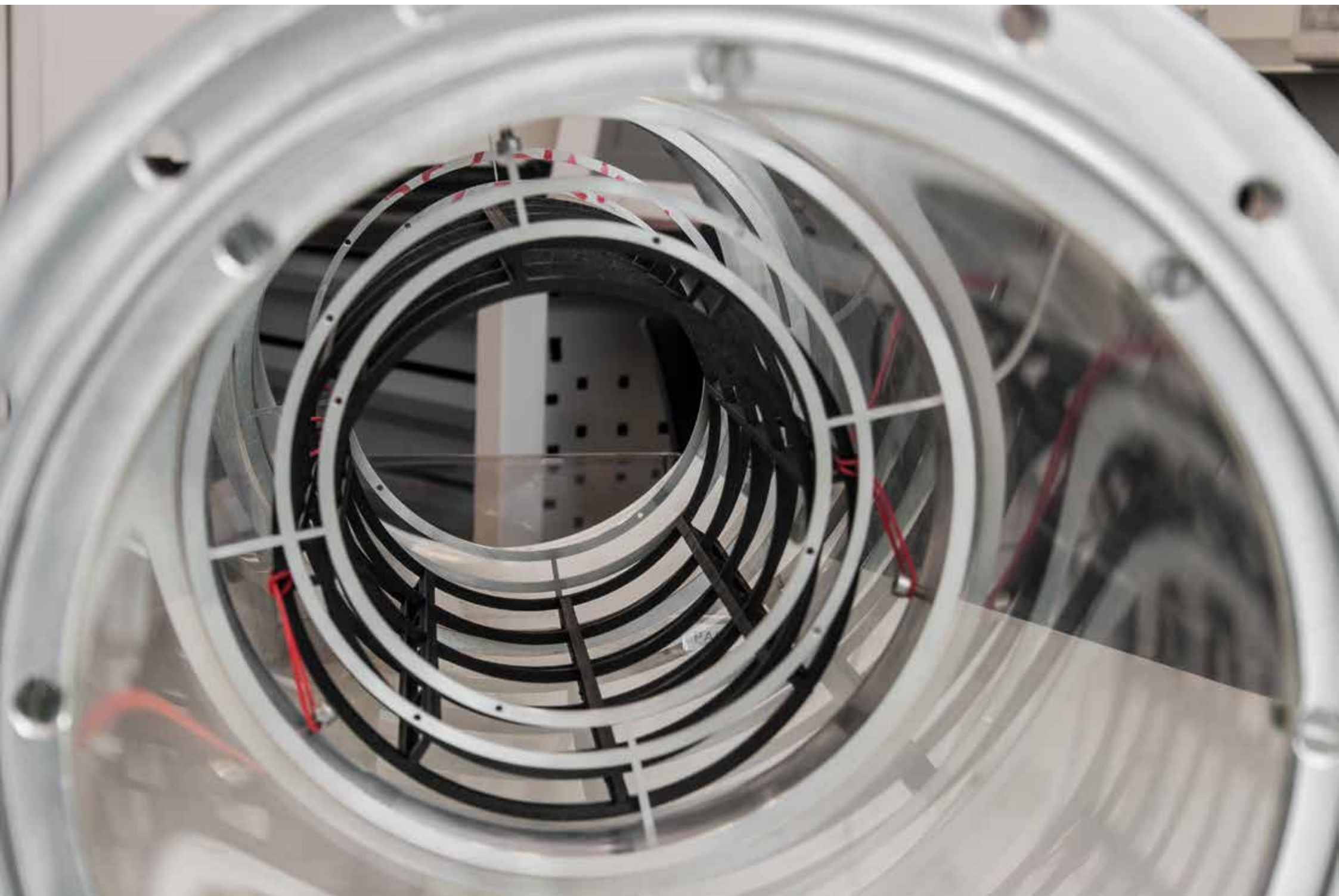
6.786 L/s for 3. Layer

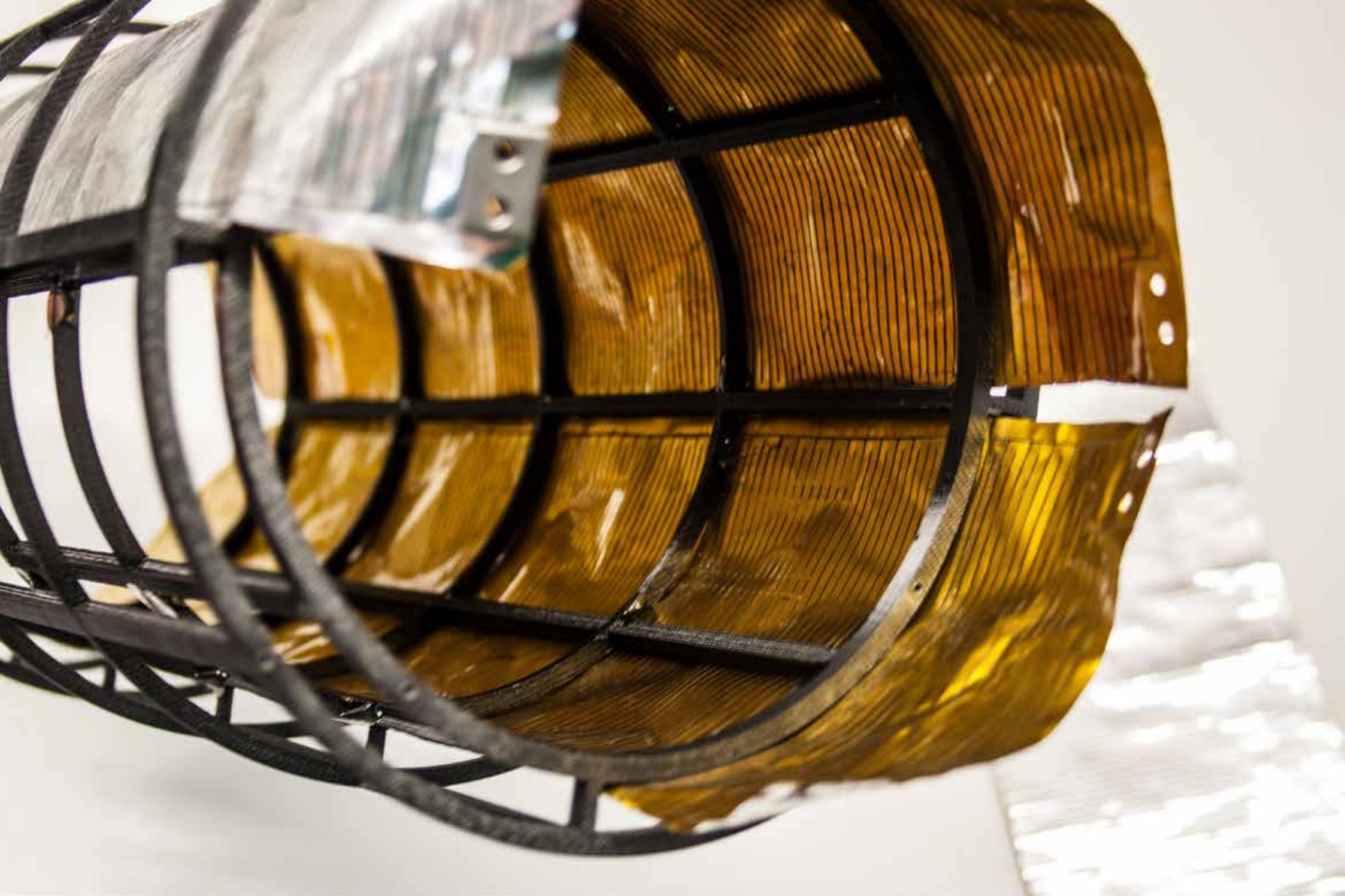
Results:

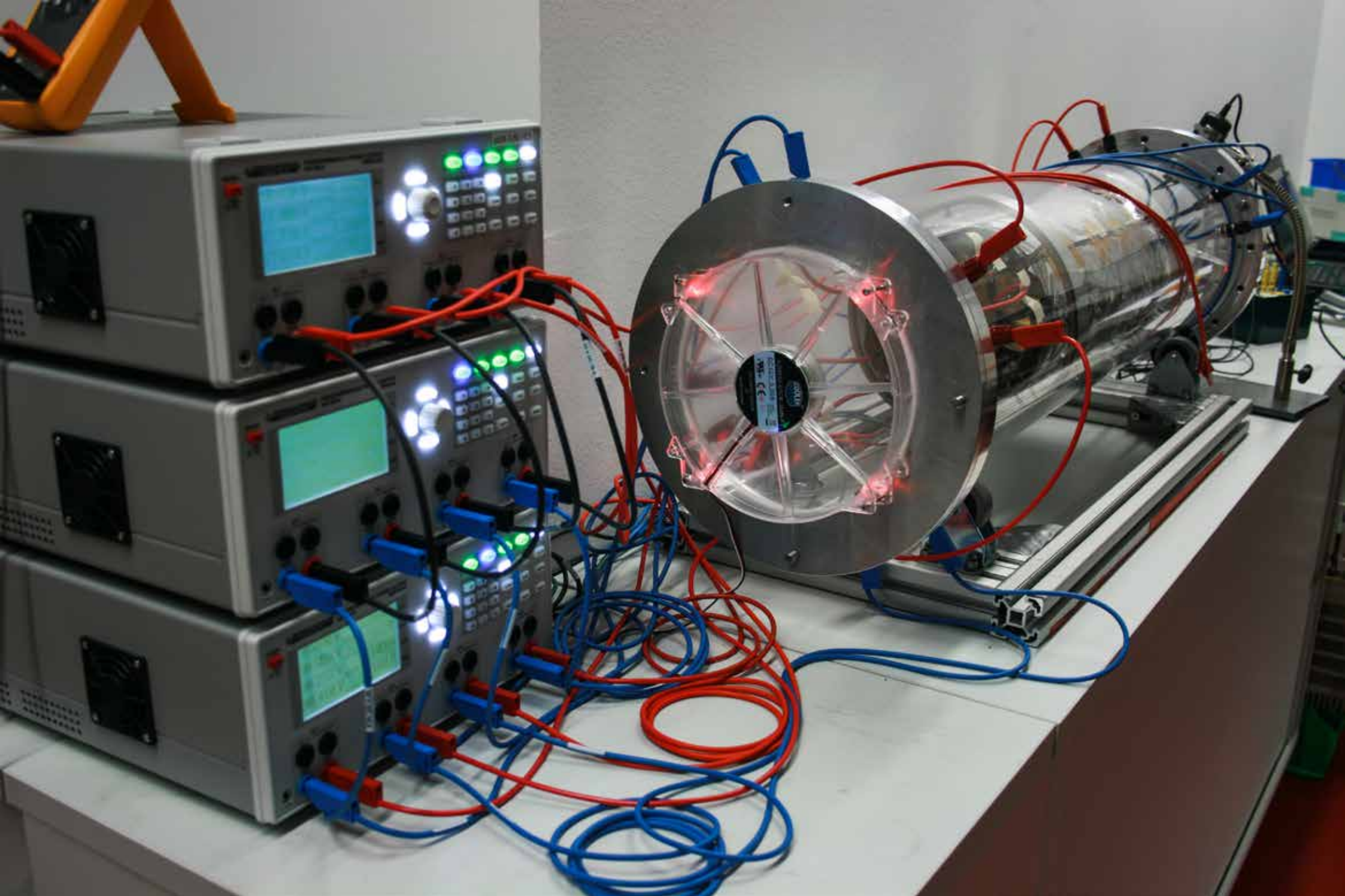
$T_{\text{max}} \approx 42^\circ\text{C}$

T_{max} close to end of tube

T raises at last third of tube

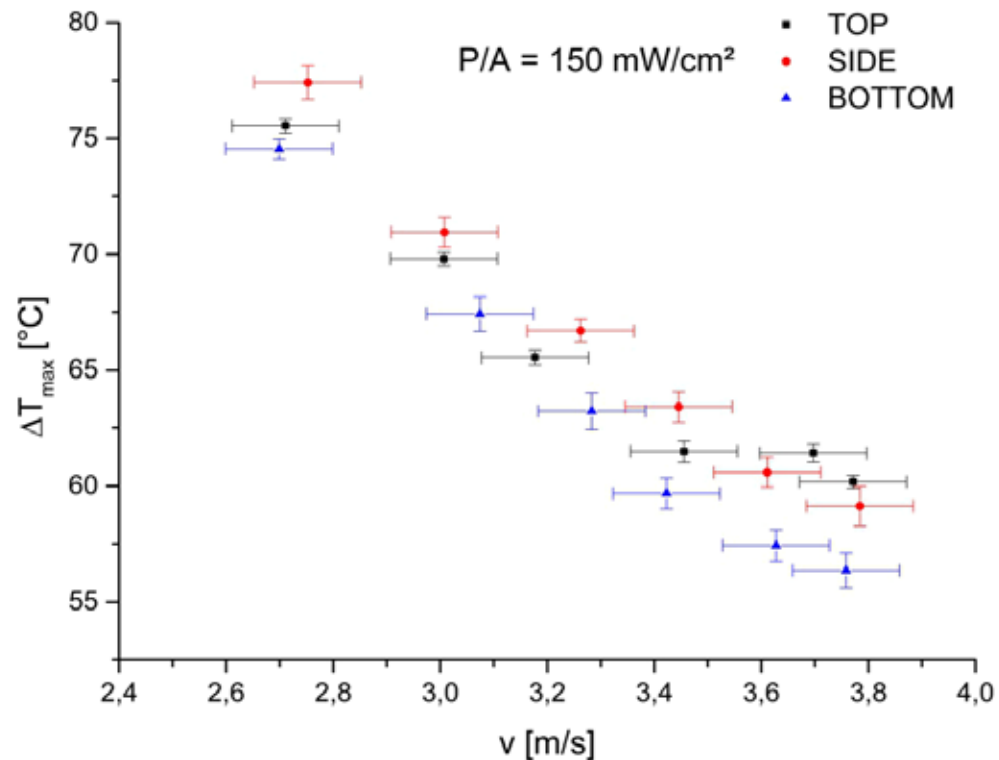




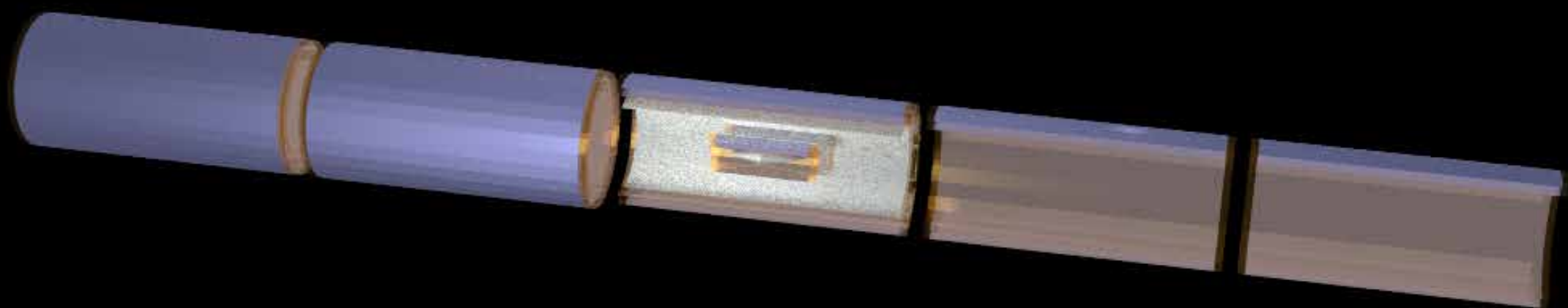


Cooling test results

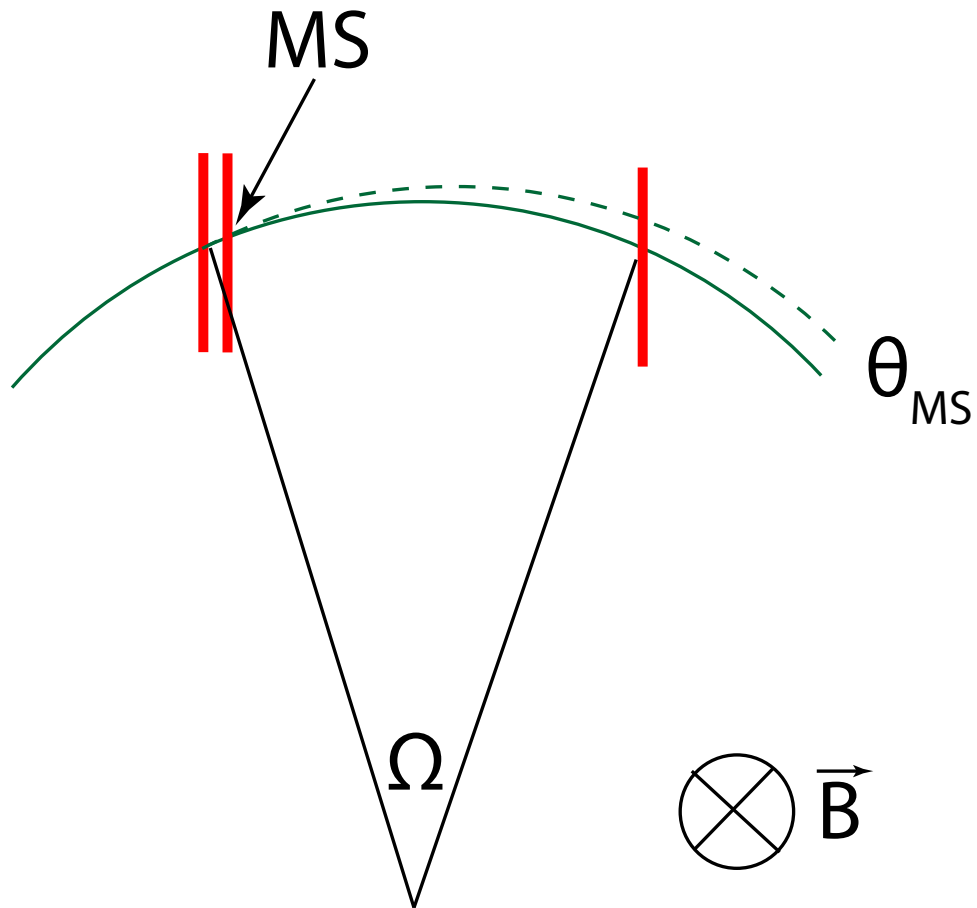
- Ohmic heating, 150 mW/cm²
560 W for two layers
- $\Delta T < 60^\circ \text{C}$ for sufficient air flow
- No problems with foil vibrations



Next: Tests with Helium



Momentum measurement

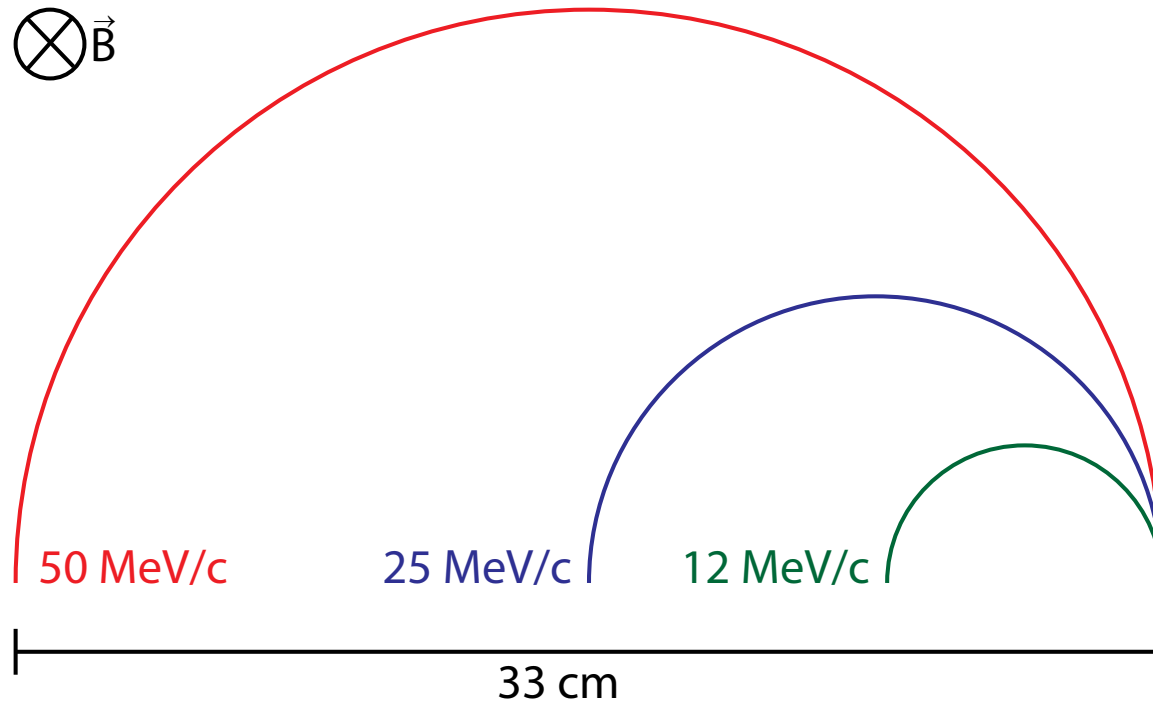


- 1 T magnetic field
- Resolution dominated by **multiple scattering**
- Momentum resolution to first order:

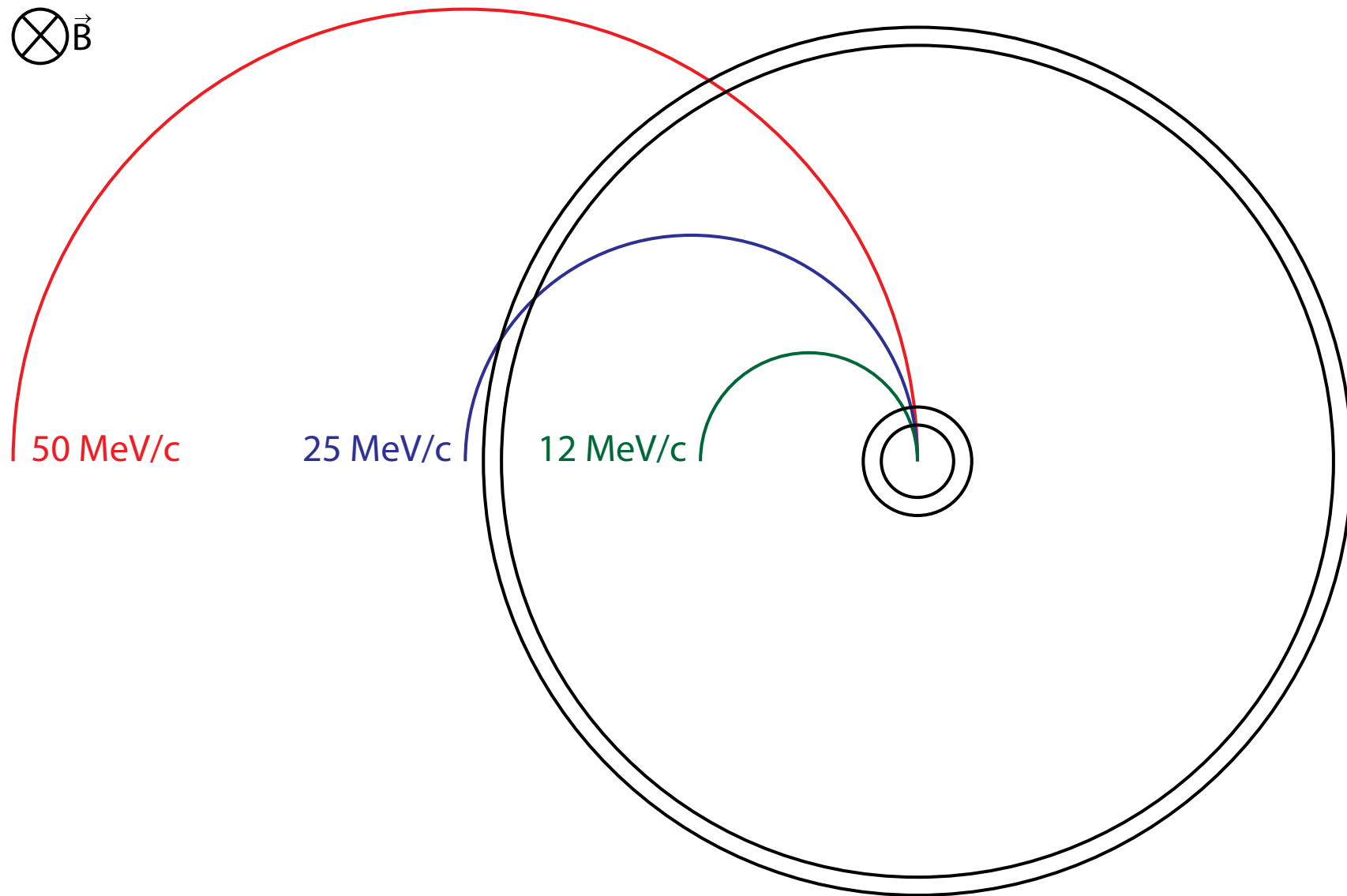
$$\sigma_{p/p} \sim \theta_{MS}/\Omega$$

- Precision requires large lever arm (**large bending angle Ω**) and low multiple scattering θ_{MS}

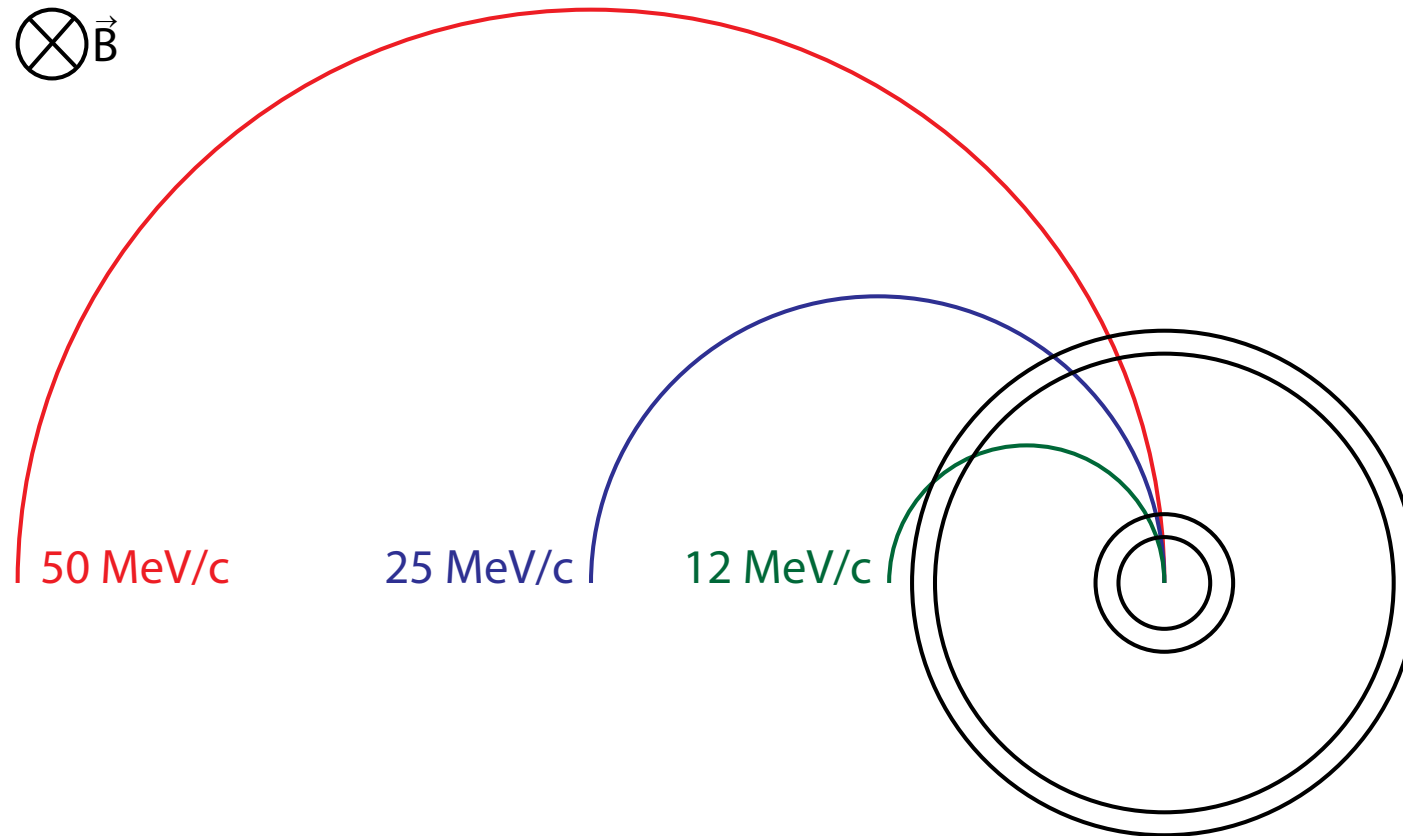
Precision vs. Acceptance



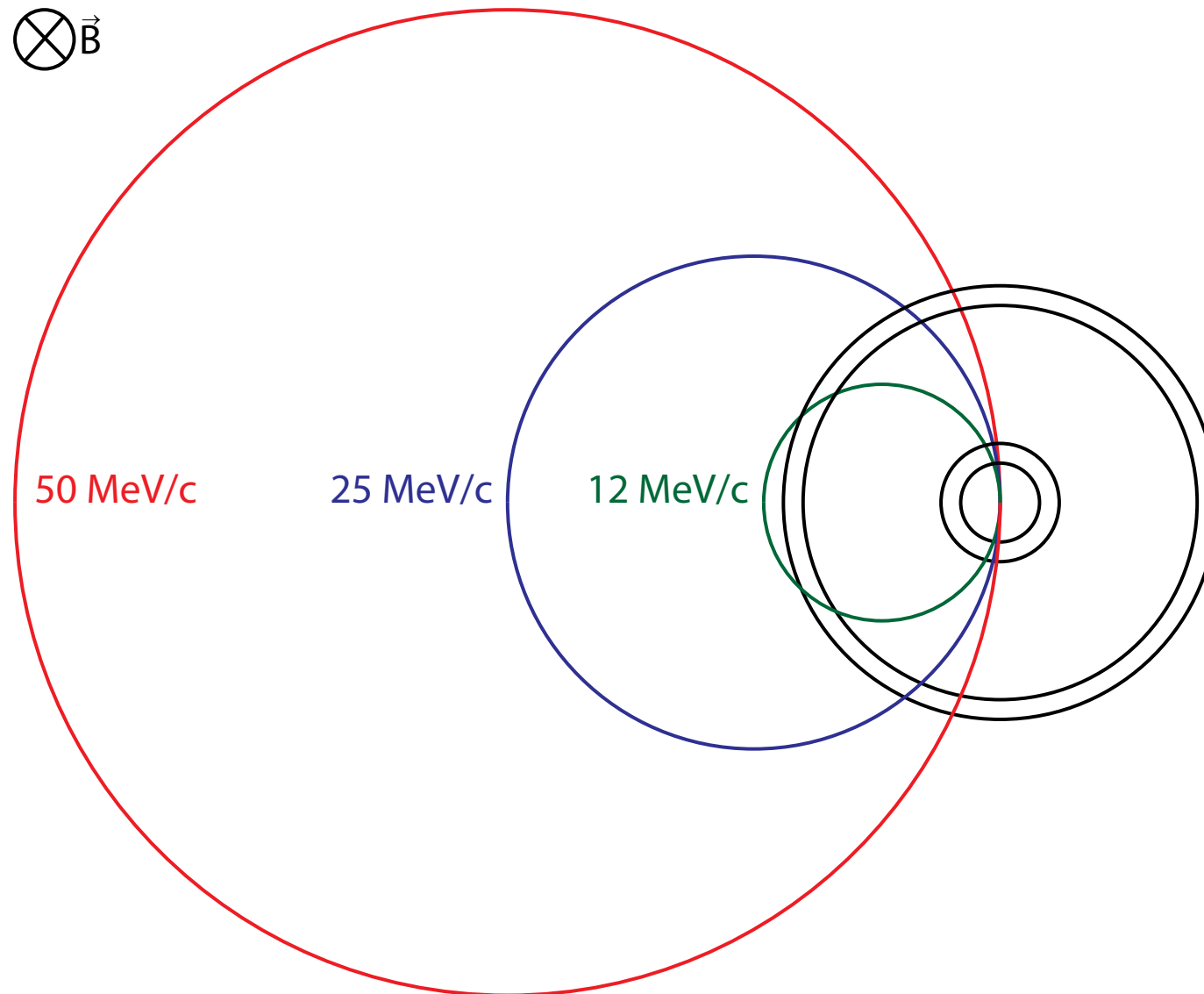
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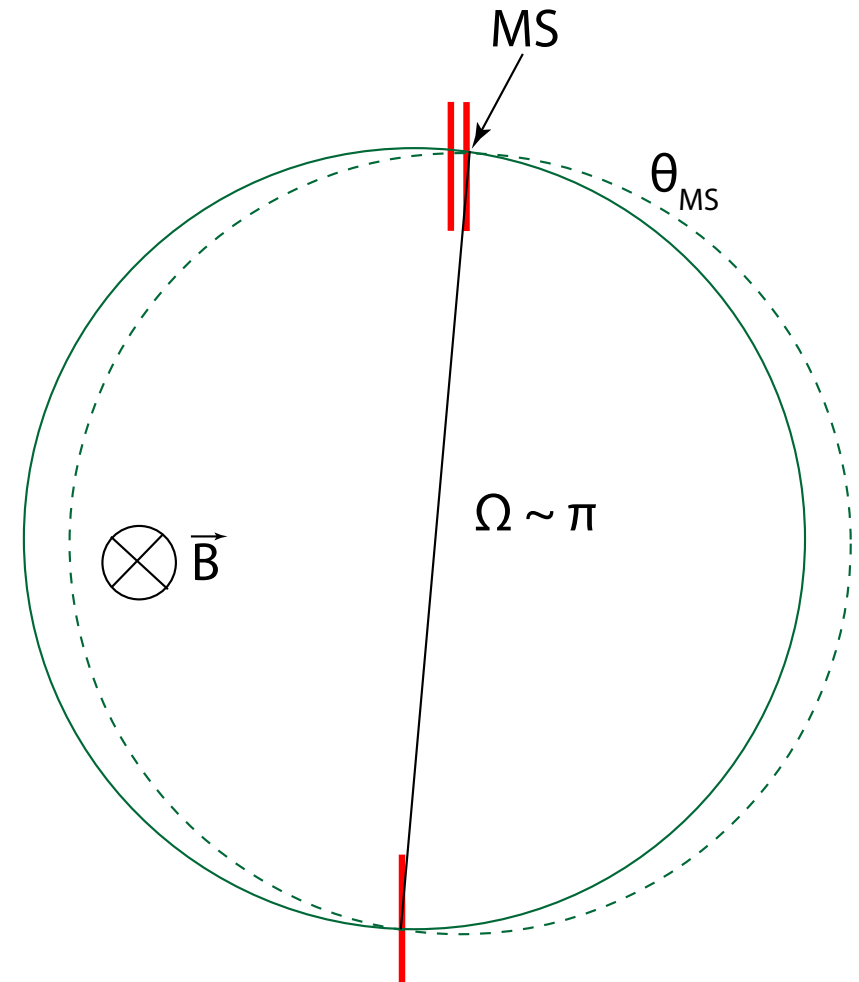
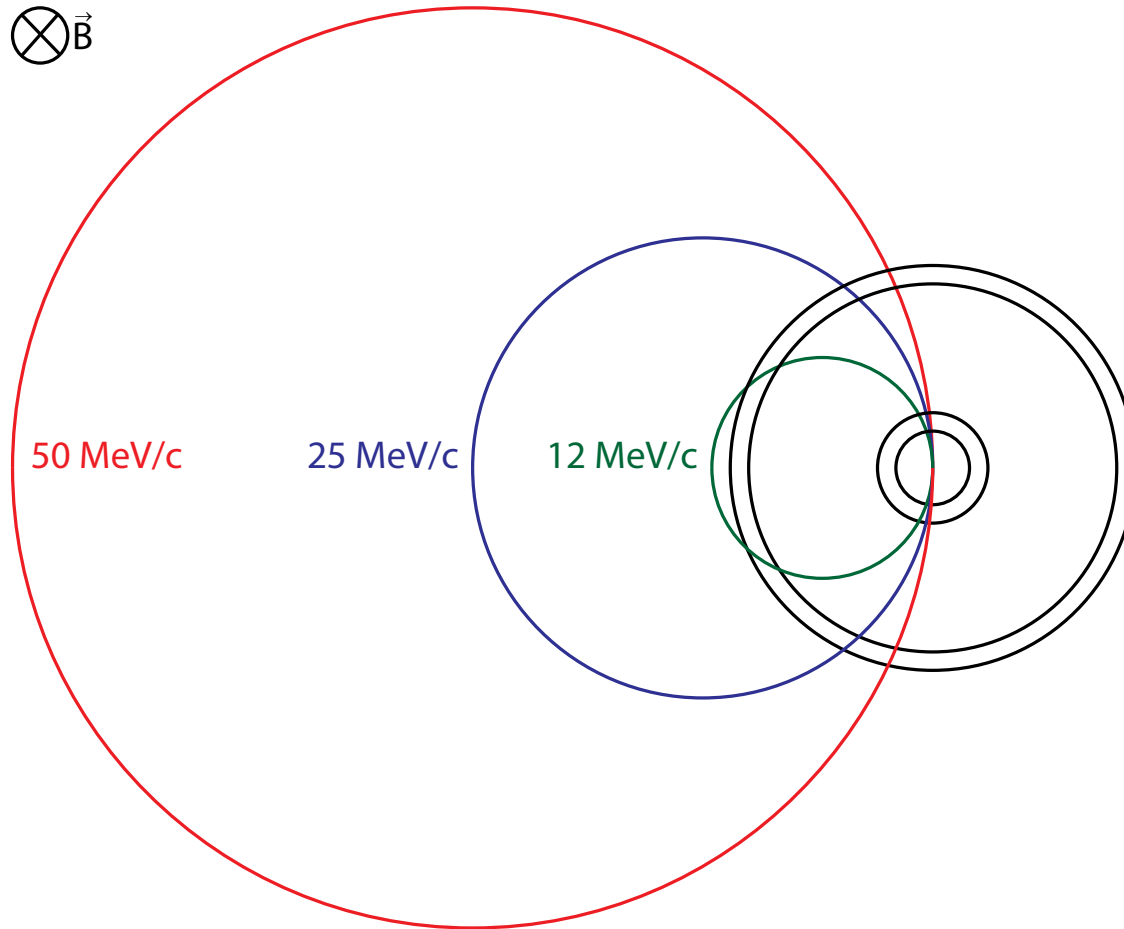
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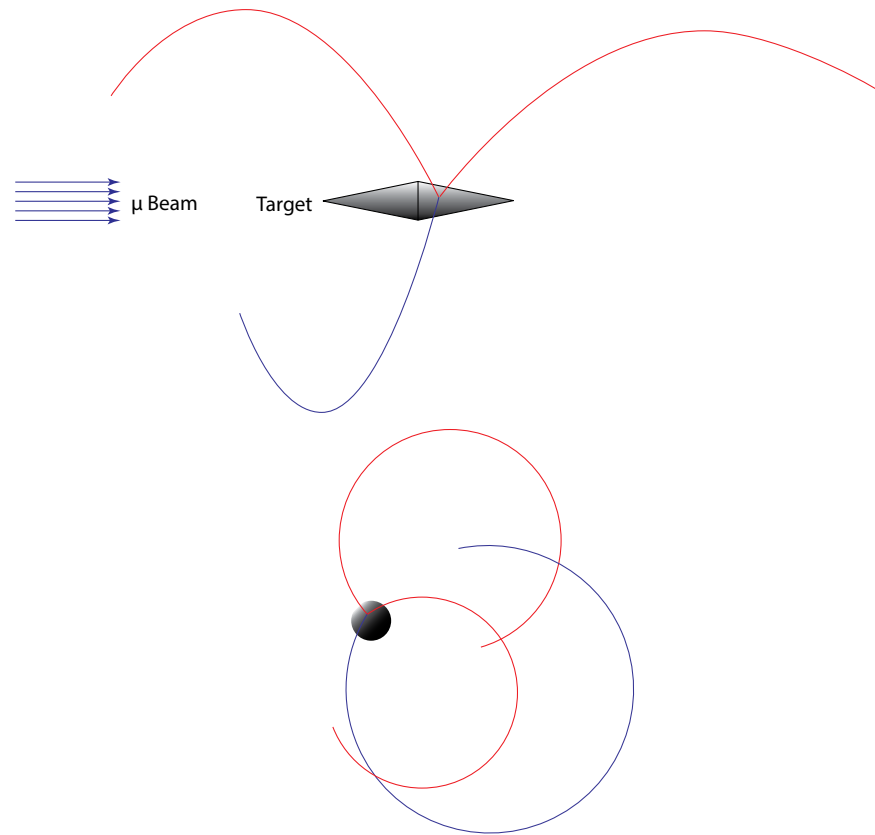


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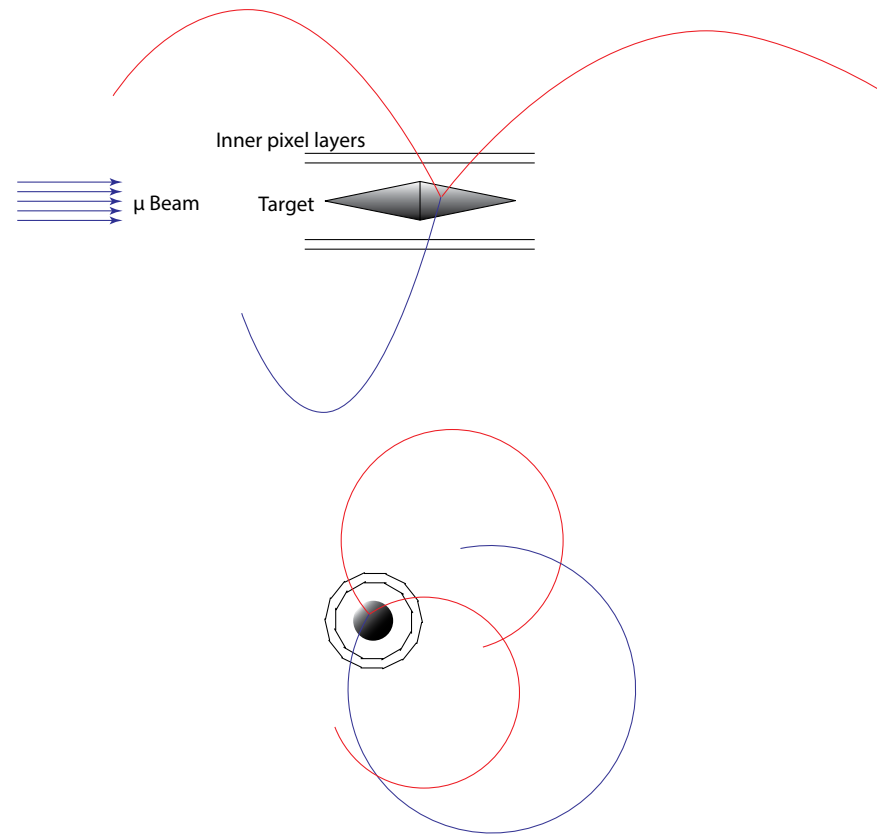


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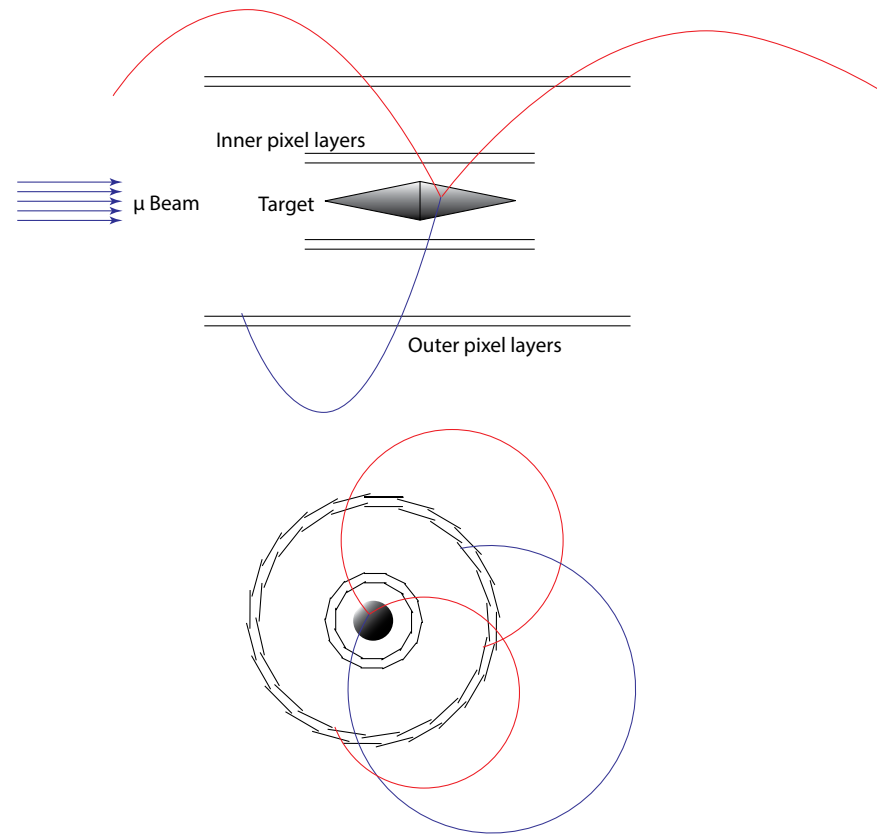


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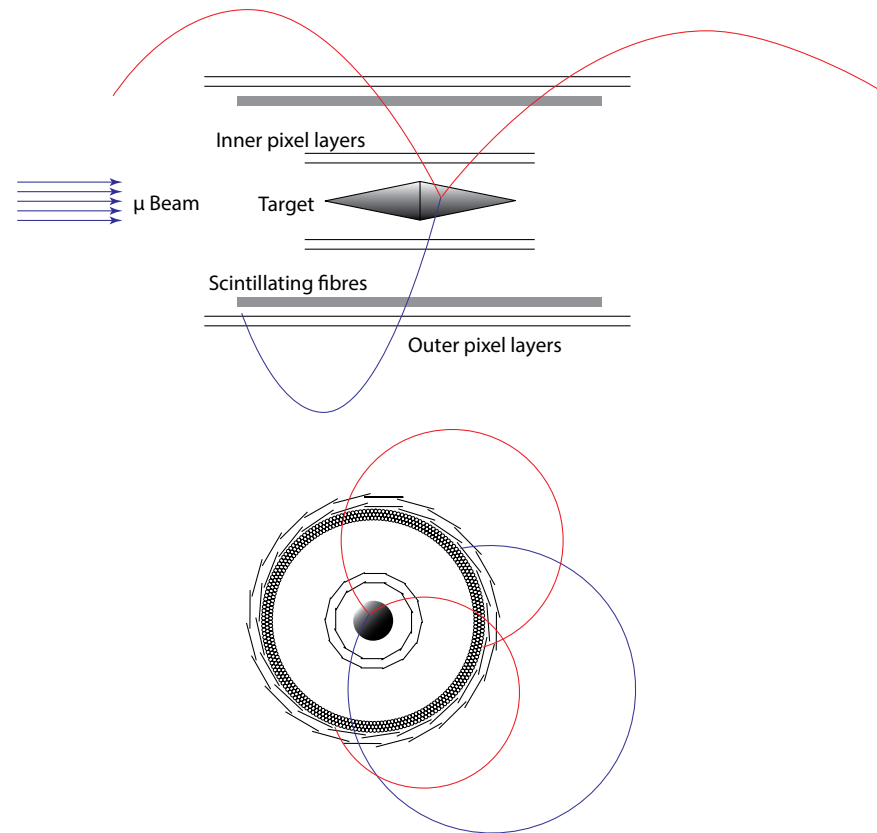


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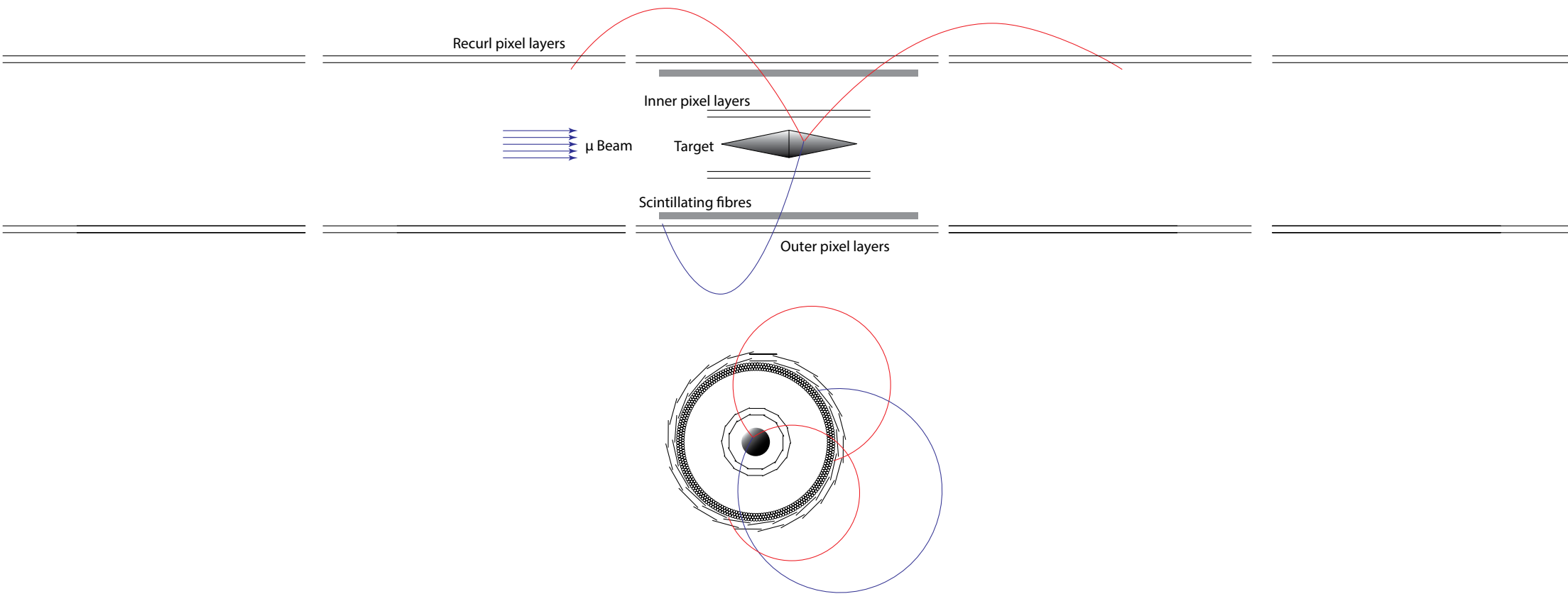


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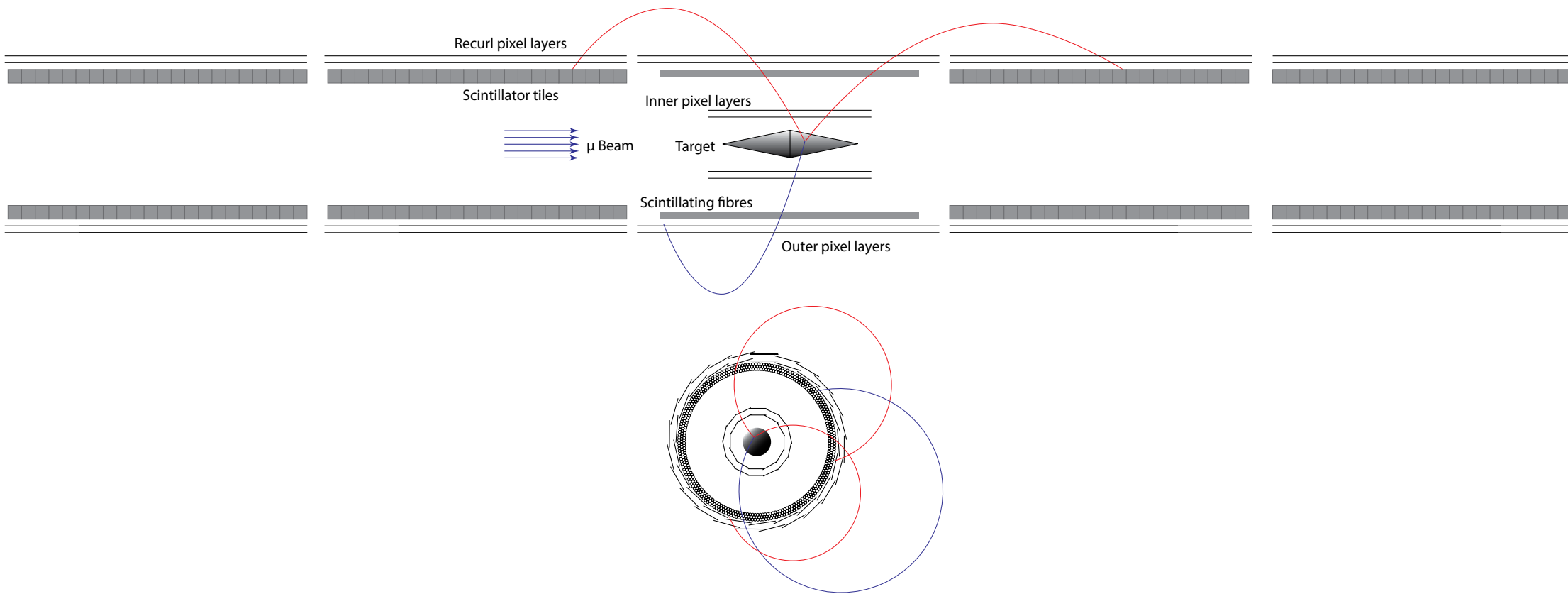


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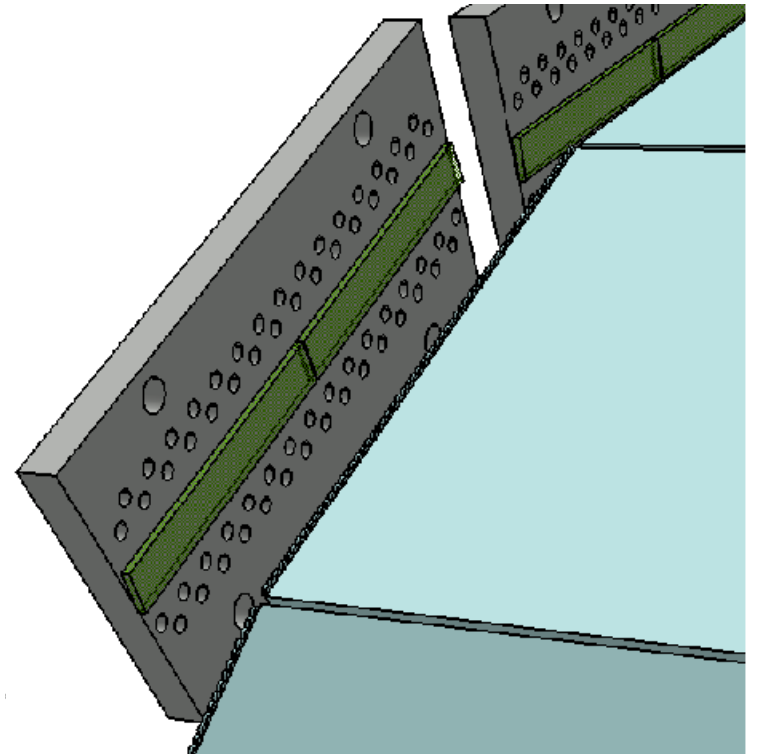
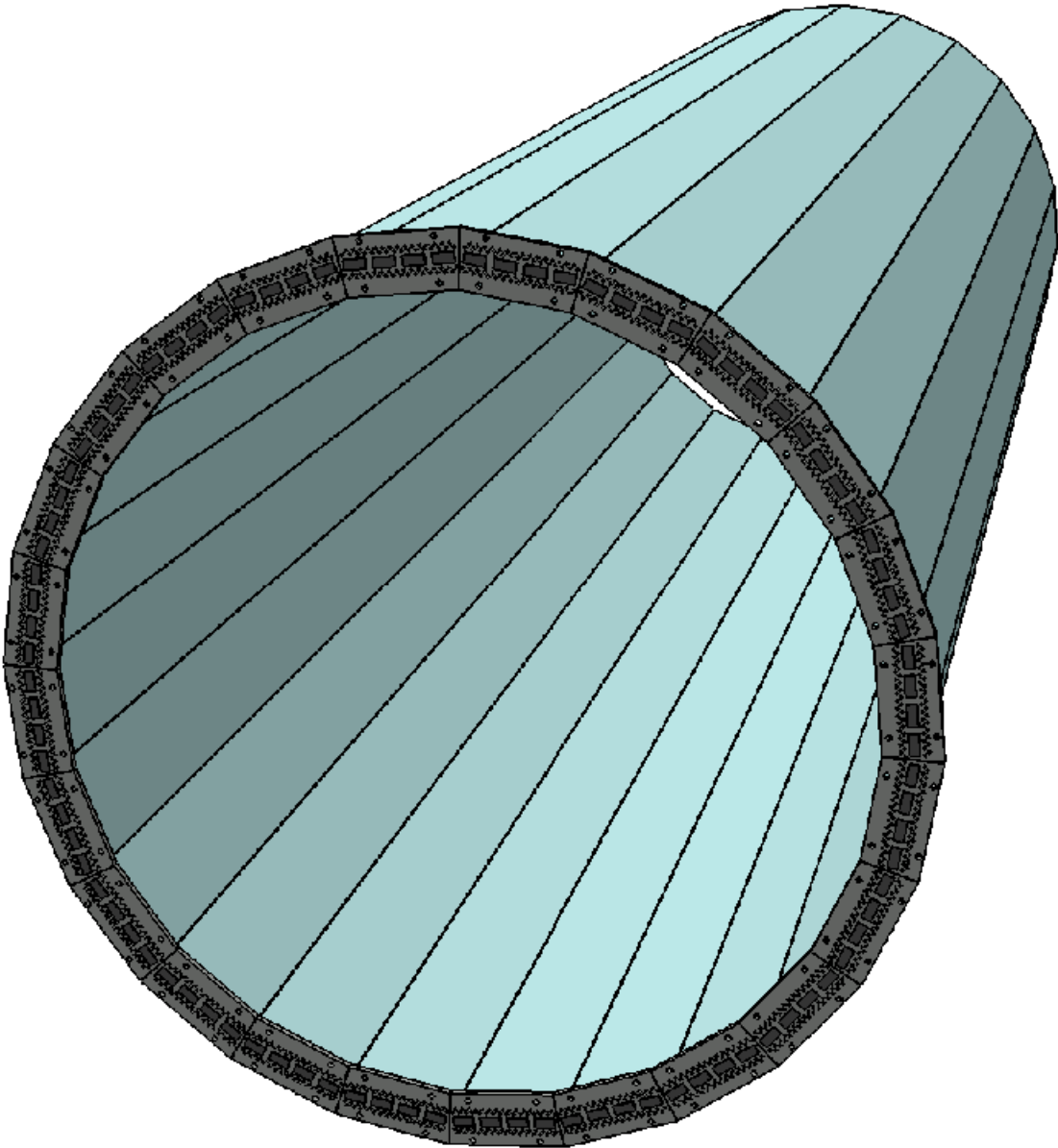






Timing Detector: Scintillating Fibres

- 3 layers of round 250 μm scintillating fibres or 2 layers of square 250 μm fibres
- Read-out by silicon photomultipliers (SiPMs) and custom ASIC (STiC from KIP Heidelberg)
- Timing resolution < 1 ns

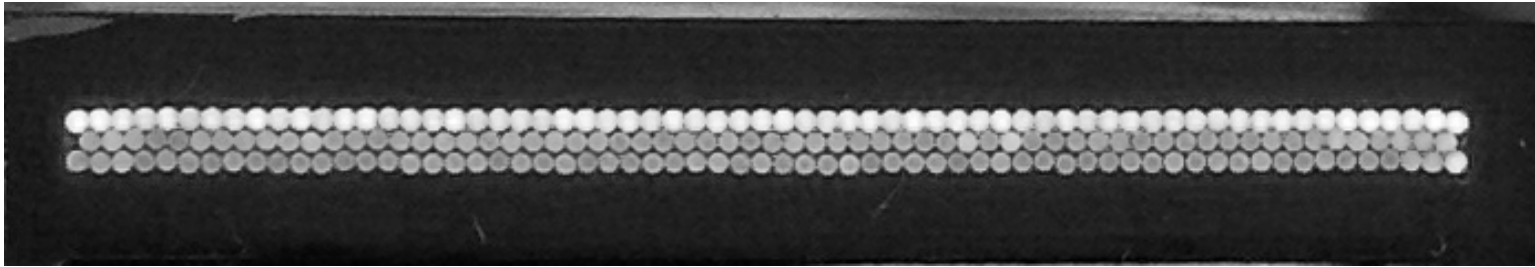






Timing Detector: Scintillating Fibres

- Single fibre readout
(Geneva, Zürich, ETHZ)





Timing Detector: Scintillating Fibres

Si-PM1

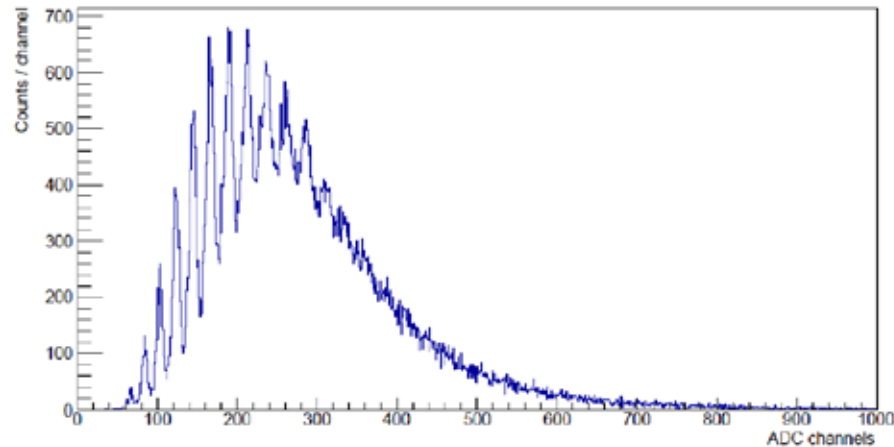
Si-PM2



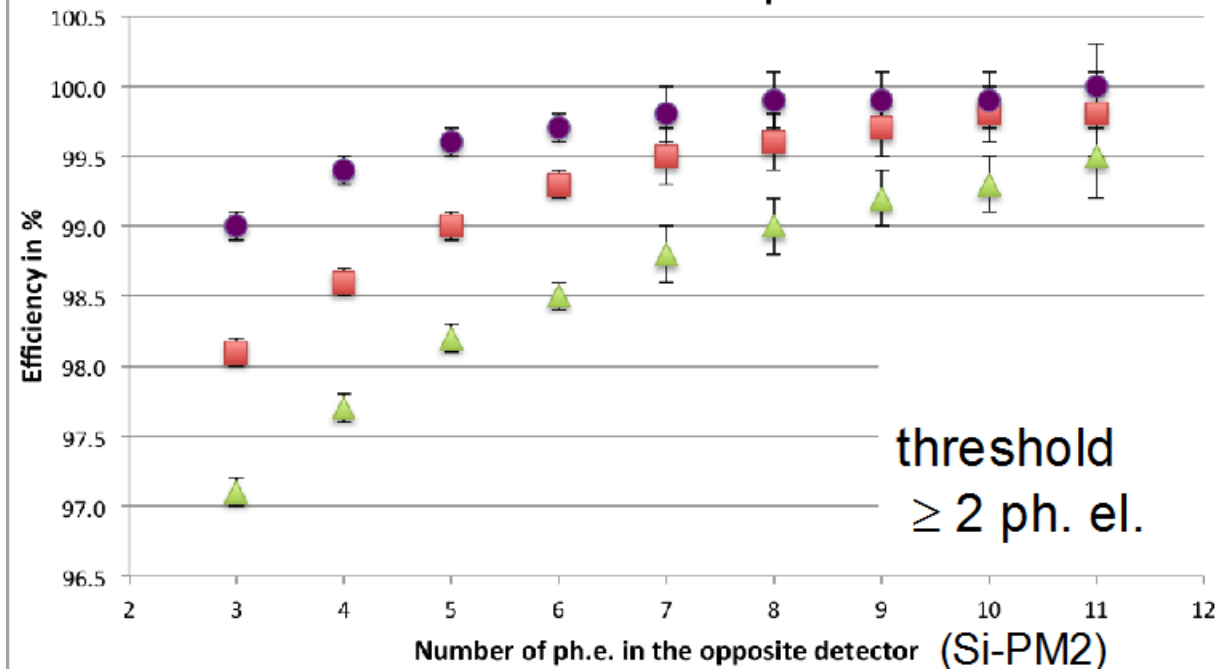
Near

Mid

Far

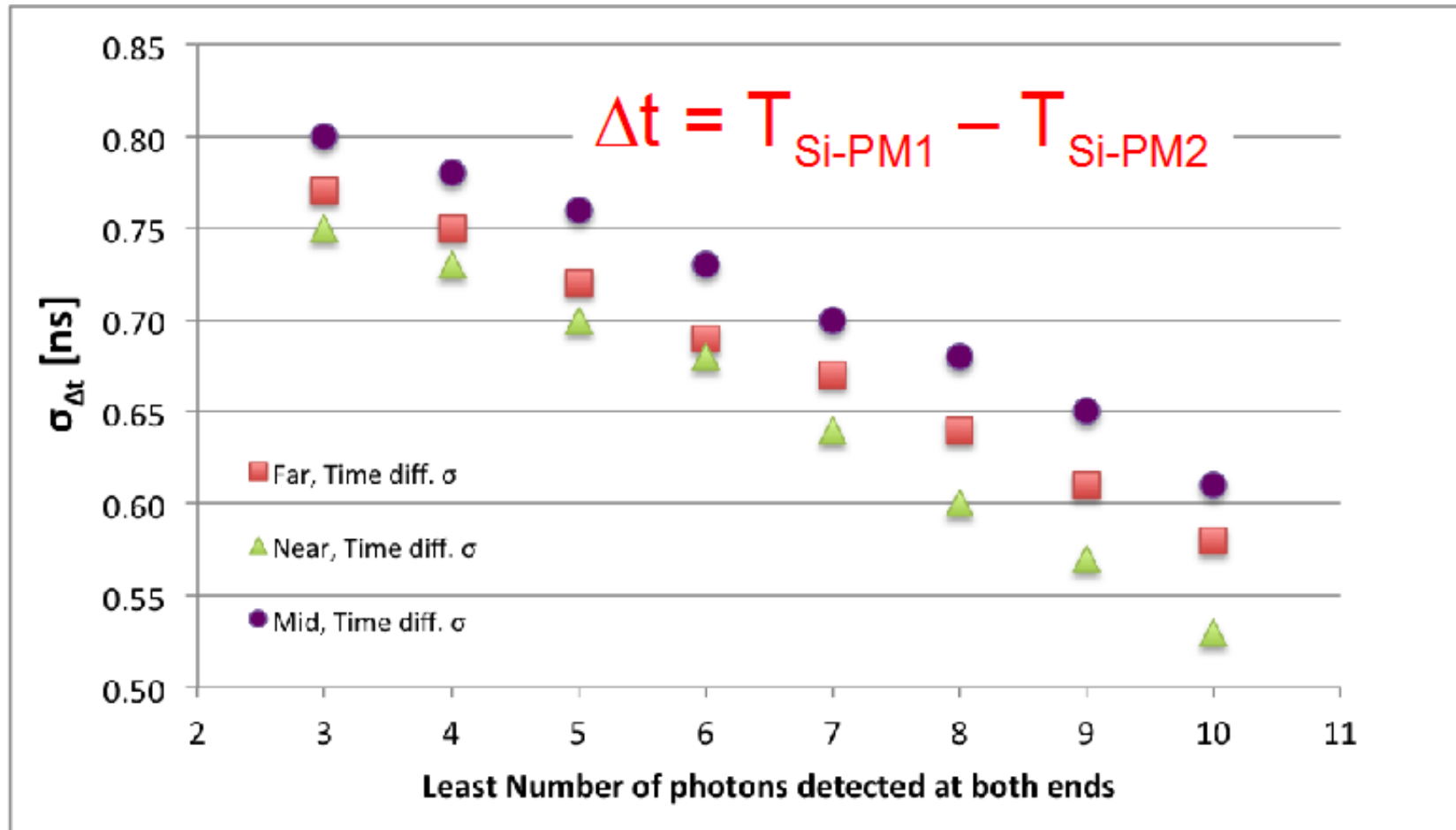


Relative Efficiency in the Second detector as a function of the source position





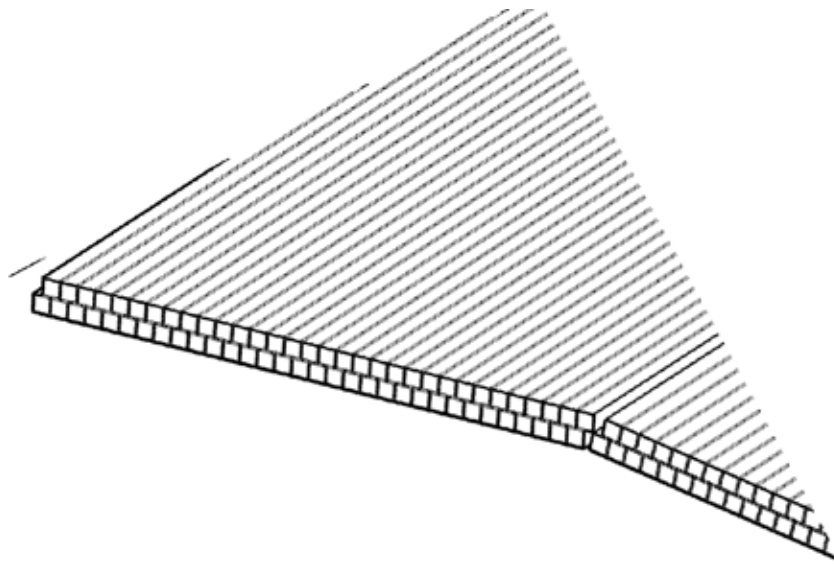
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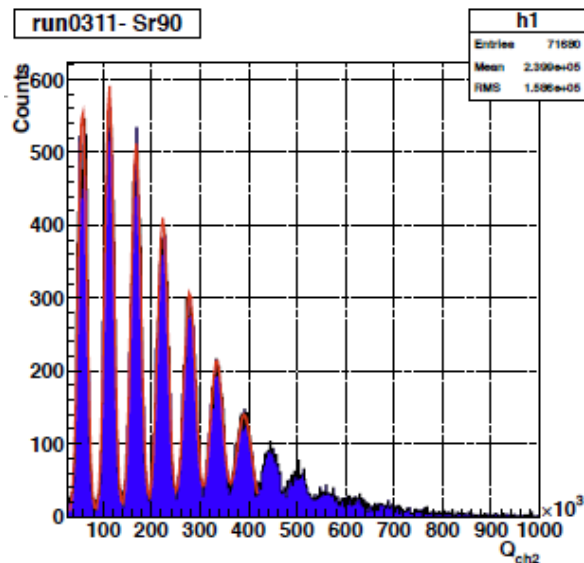


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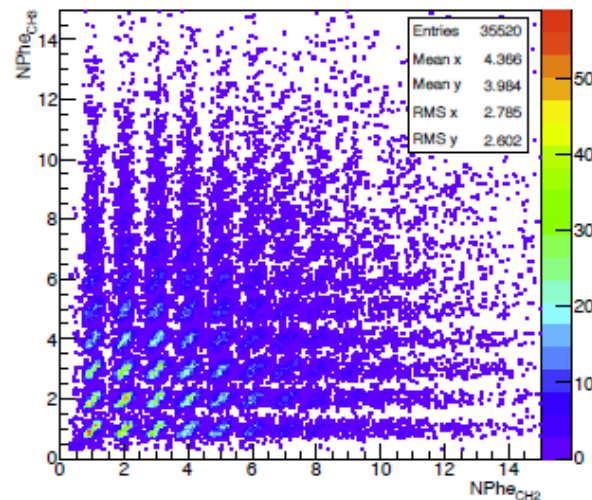
Alternative: Square fibres
(Paul Scherrer Institut)



Example of charge spectrum
on one of the two SiPMs

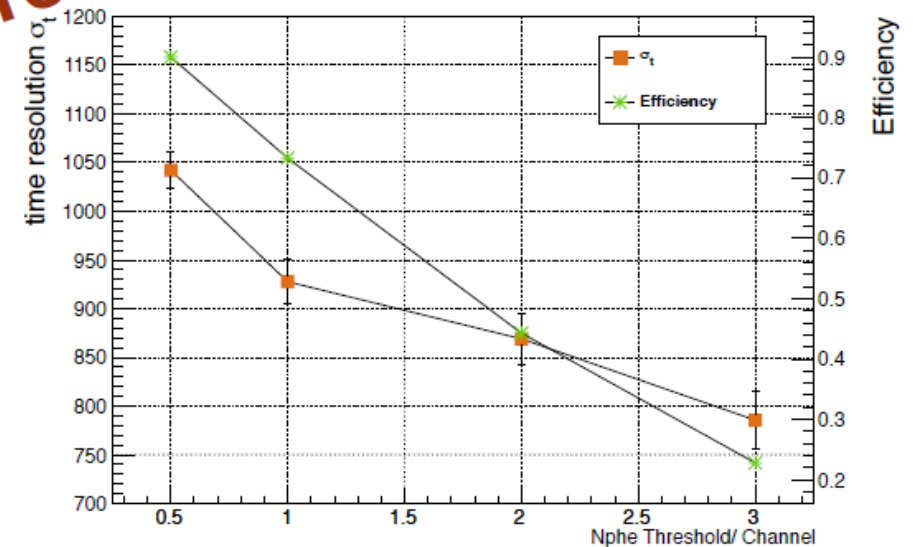


Example of charge spectrum
on one SiPM vs the other one

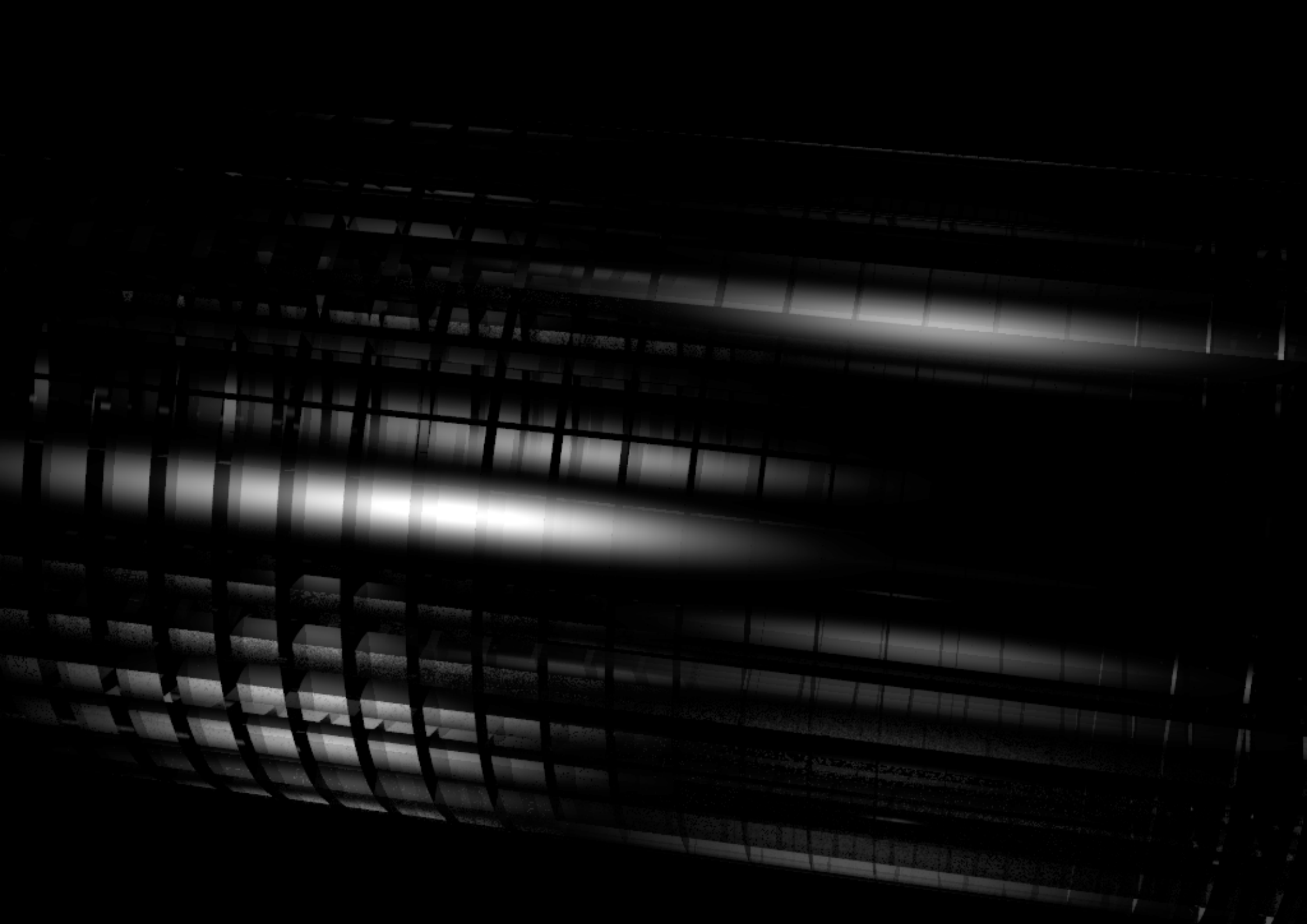


Preliminary

Single Fiber Double Read-Out



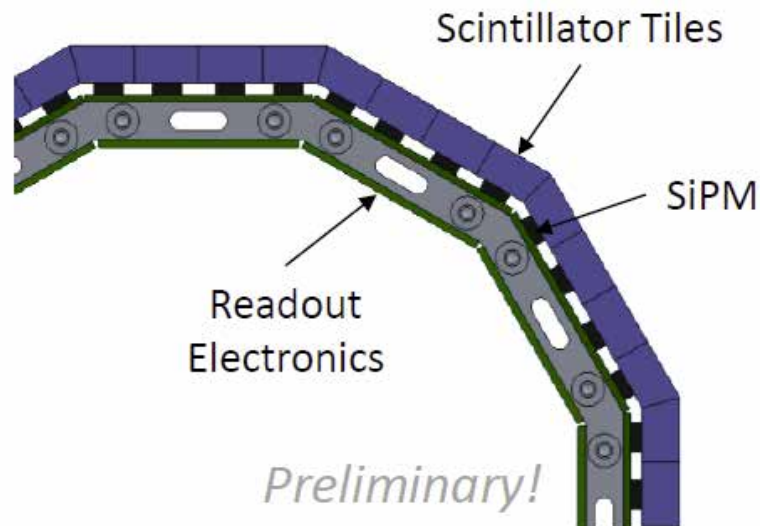
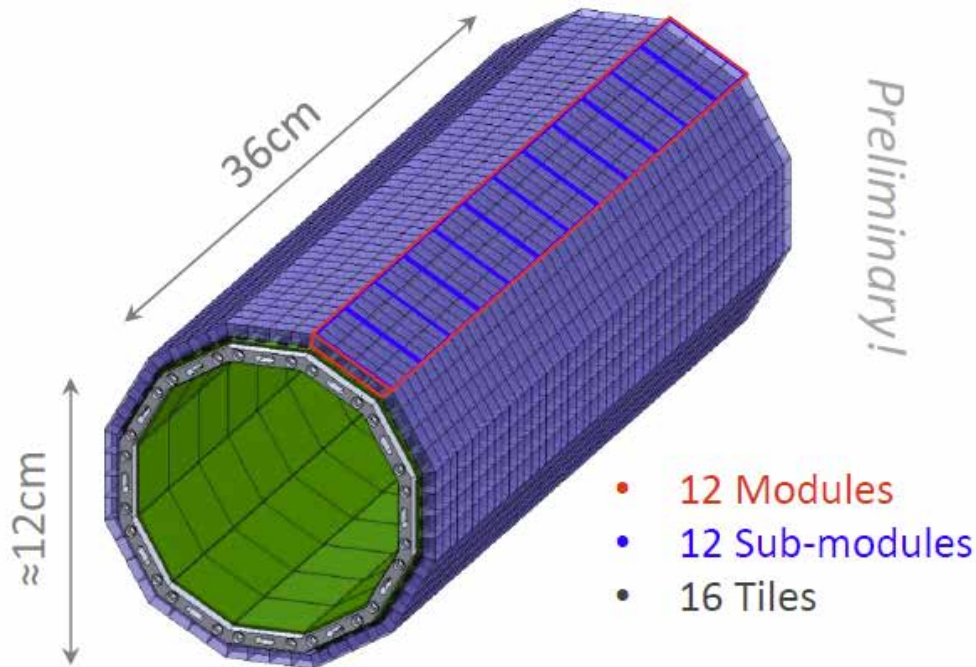
note: Nphe threshold: Channel1&Channel2 > Nphe thr





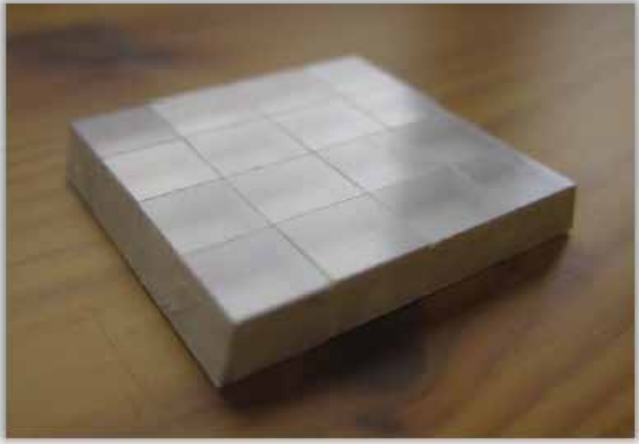
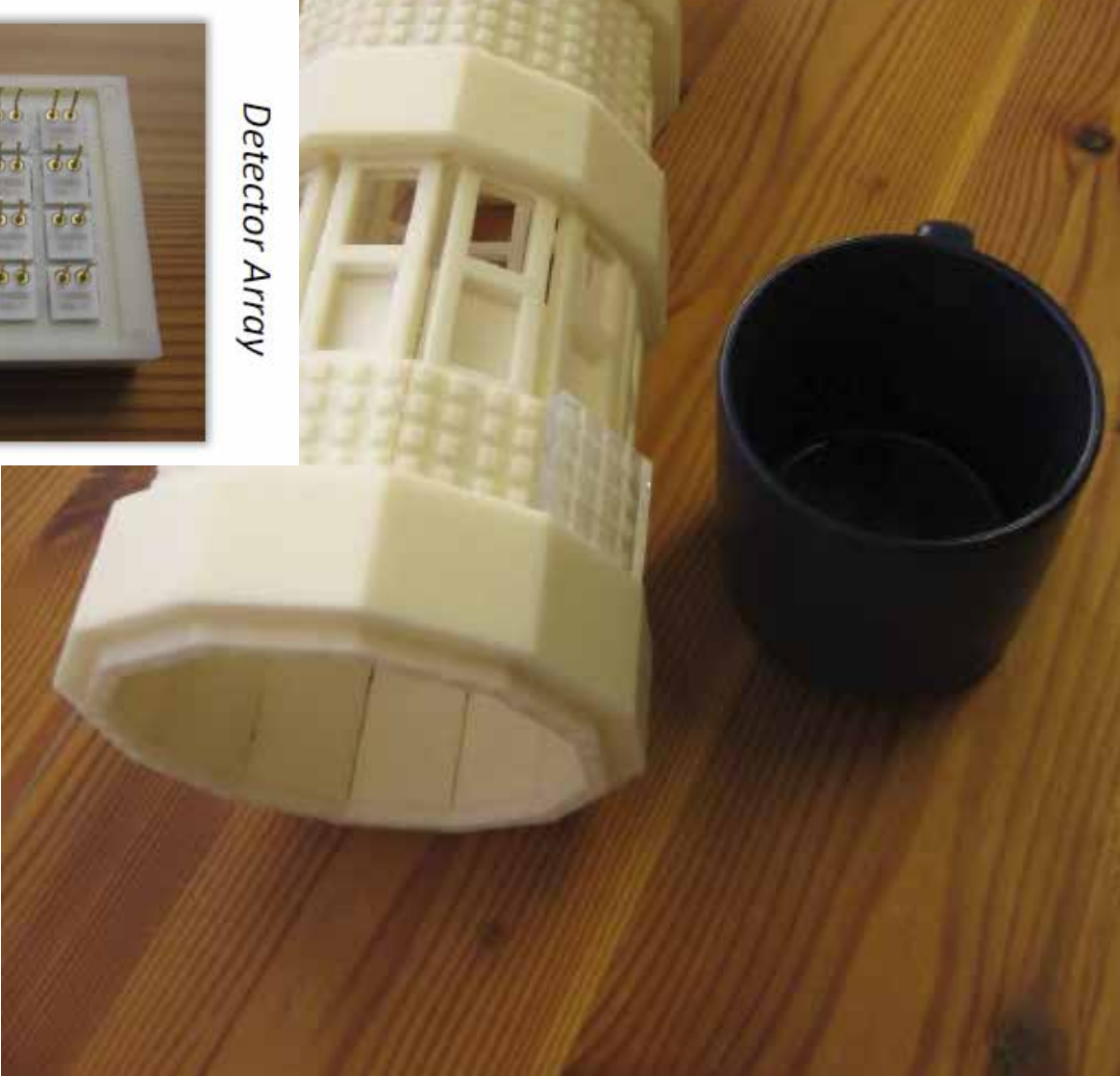
Timing Detector: Scintillating tiles

- 7.5 x 8.5 x 5.0 mm³ scintillating tiles
- 2304 tiles per station
- Read-out by silicon photomultipliers (SiPMs) and custom ASIC (STiC, KIP Heidelberg)
- Timing resolution $\mathcal{O}(100 \text{ ps})$





Tiles



Tile Array

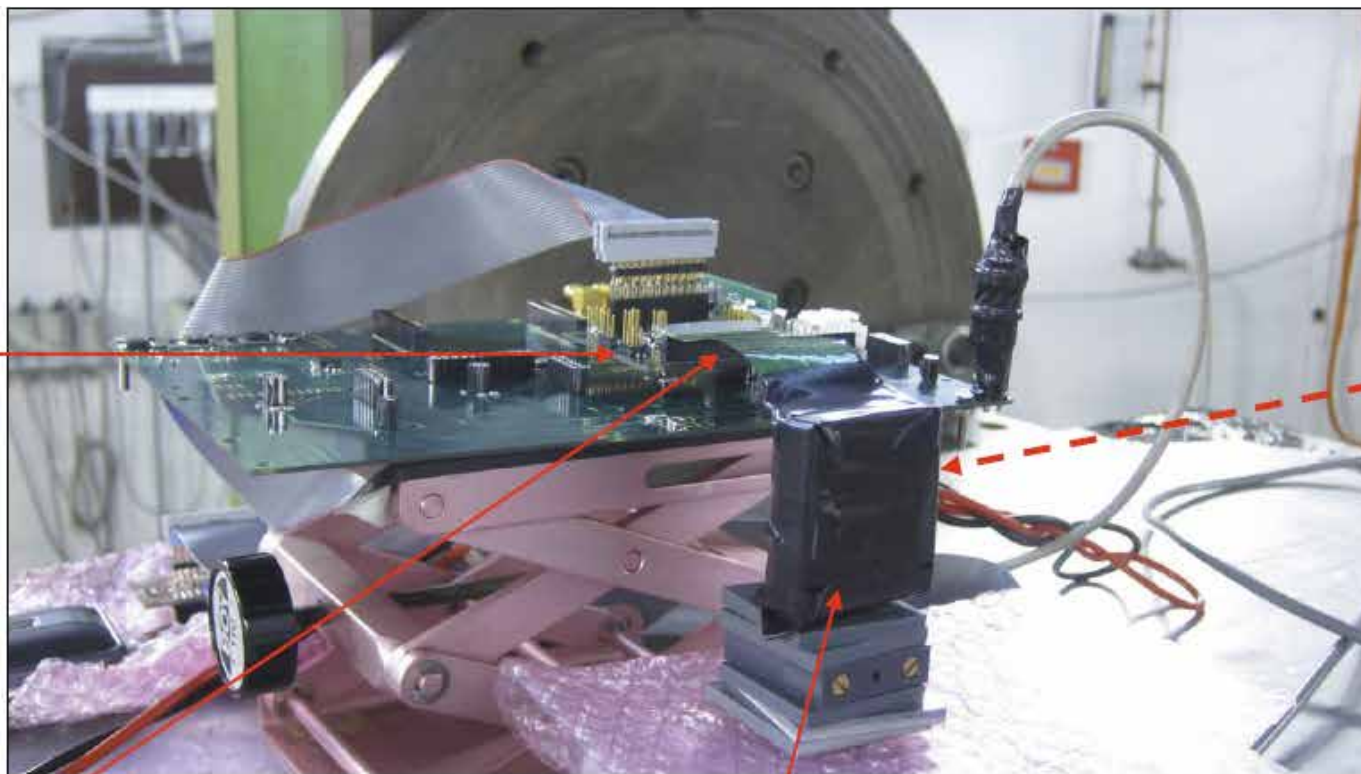


Detector Array



Tiles in the testbeam

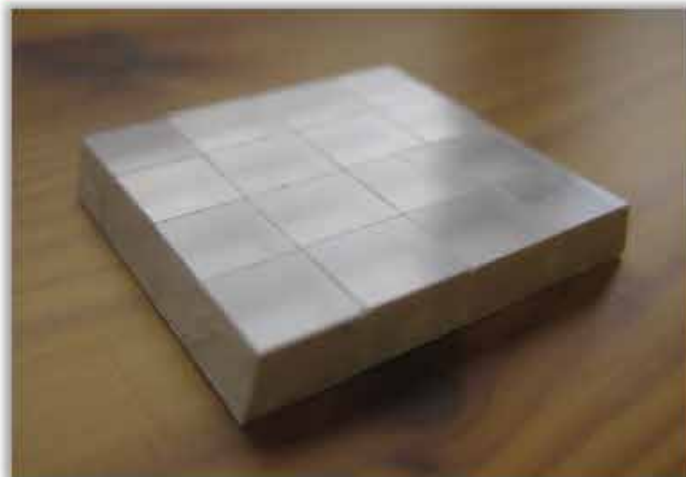
STiC Board



Flex Cable



Tile Array



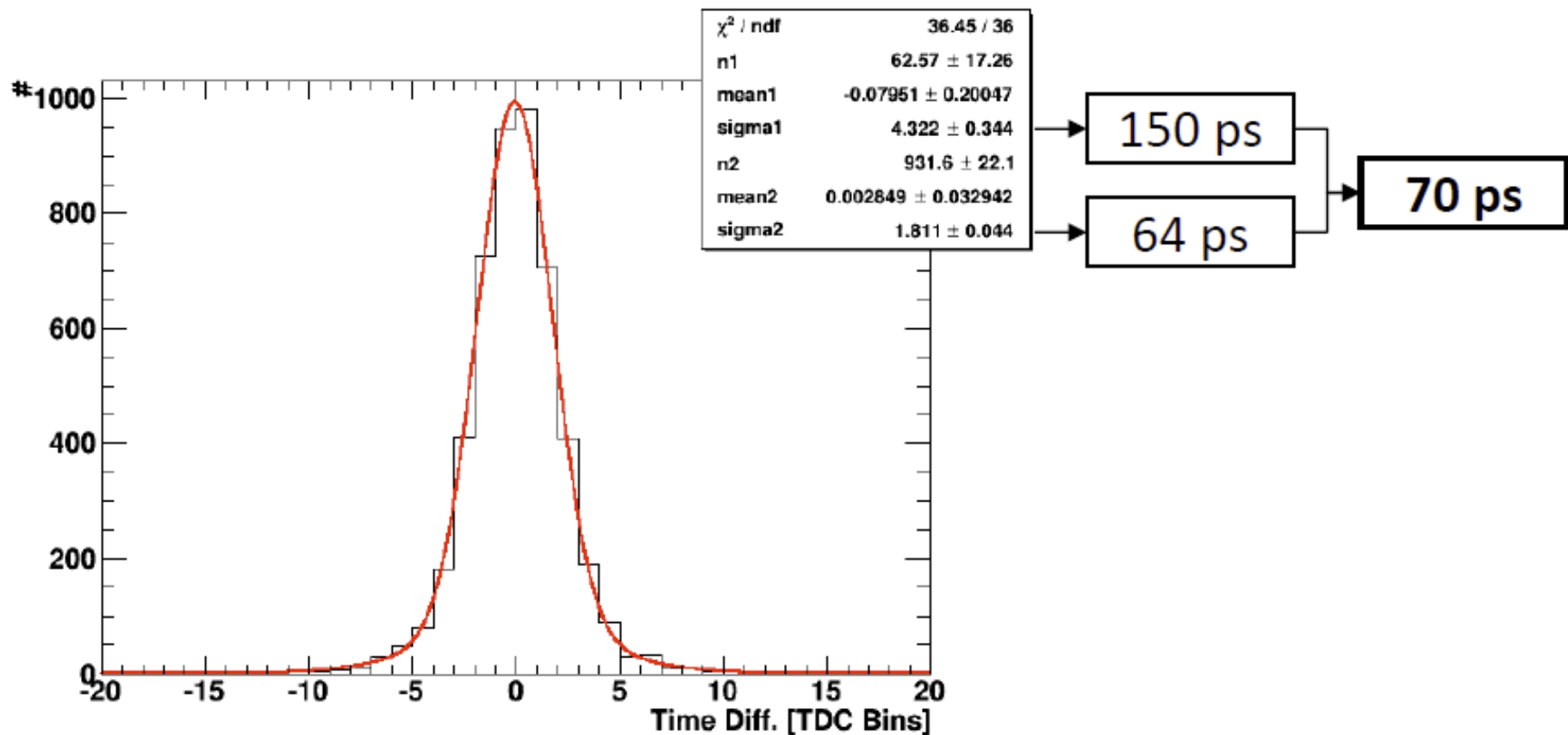
Detector Array

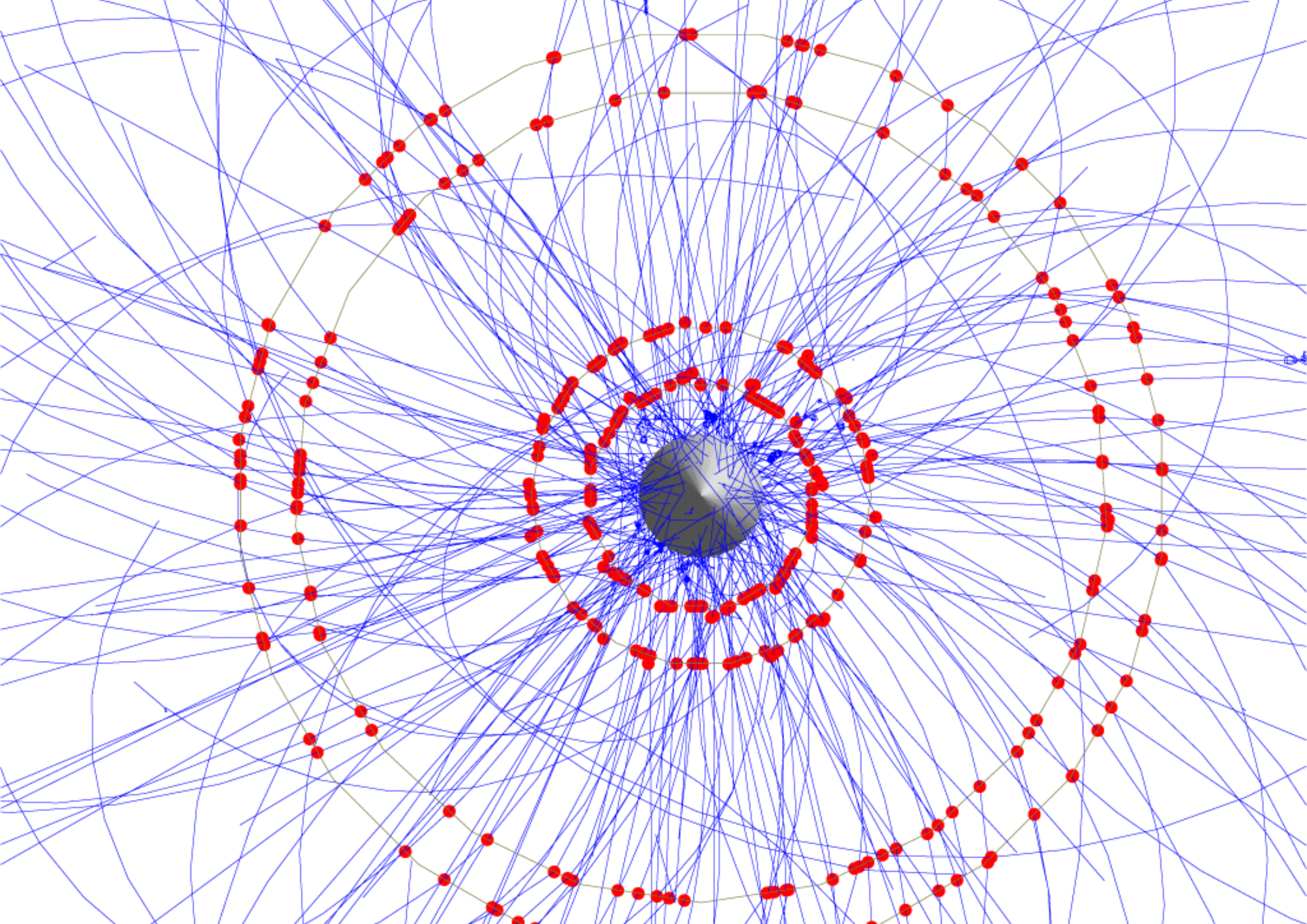




Tile results

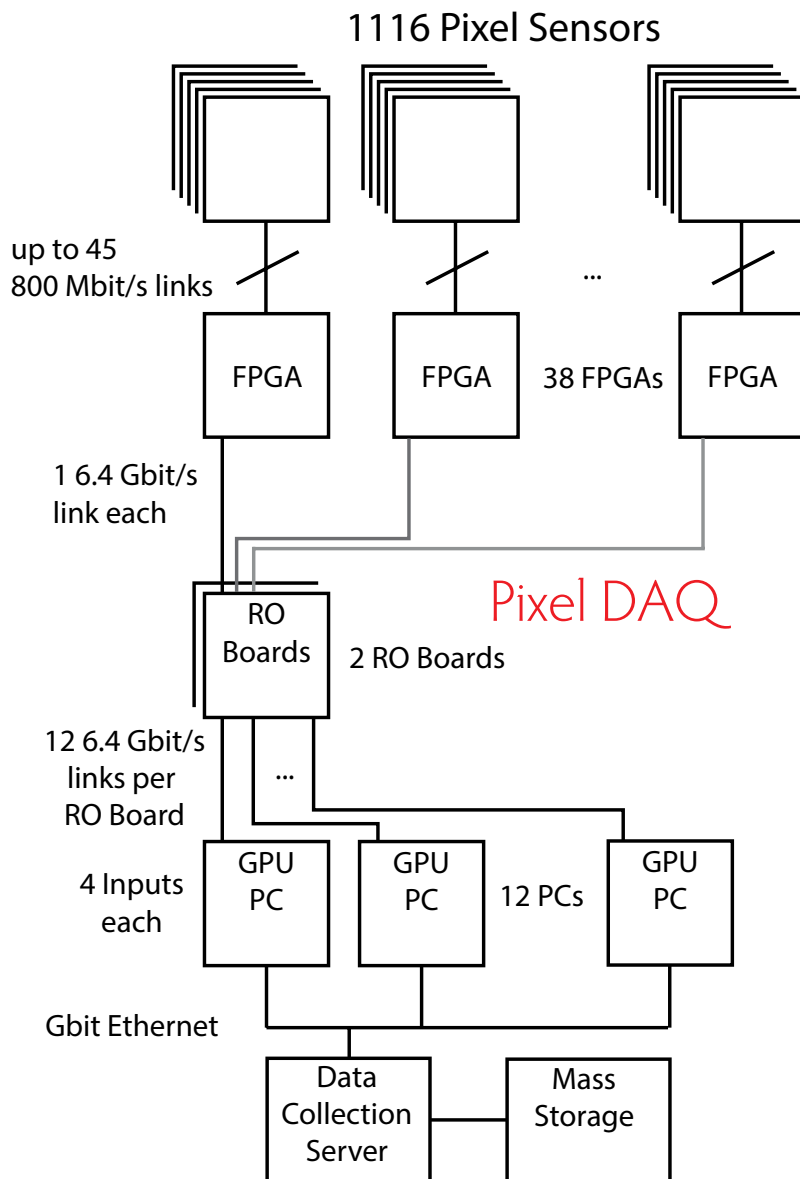
- 70 ps time resolution
- Dominated by tile geometry: 40 ps possible with smaller tiles matched to SiPMs
- Efficiency > 99.5%







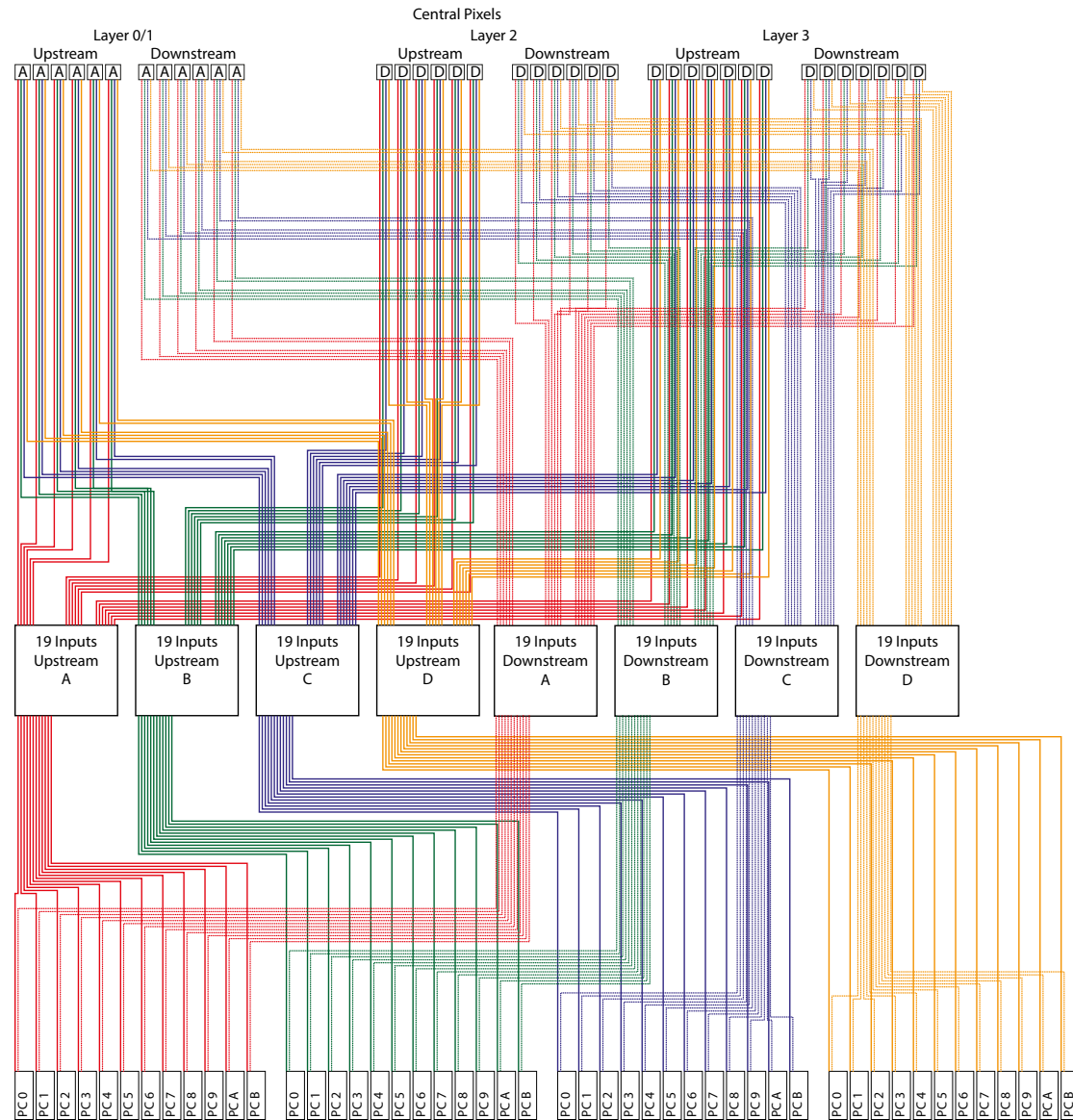
Data Acquisition



- 280 Million pixels (+ fibres and tiles)
- No trigger
- ~ 1 Tbit/s
- FPGA-based switching network
- Place-sorted to time-sorted
- O(50) PCs with GPUs



Data Acquisition



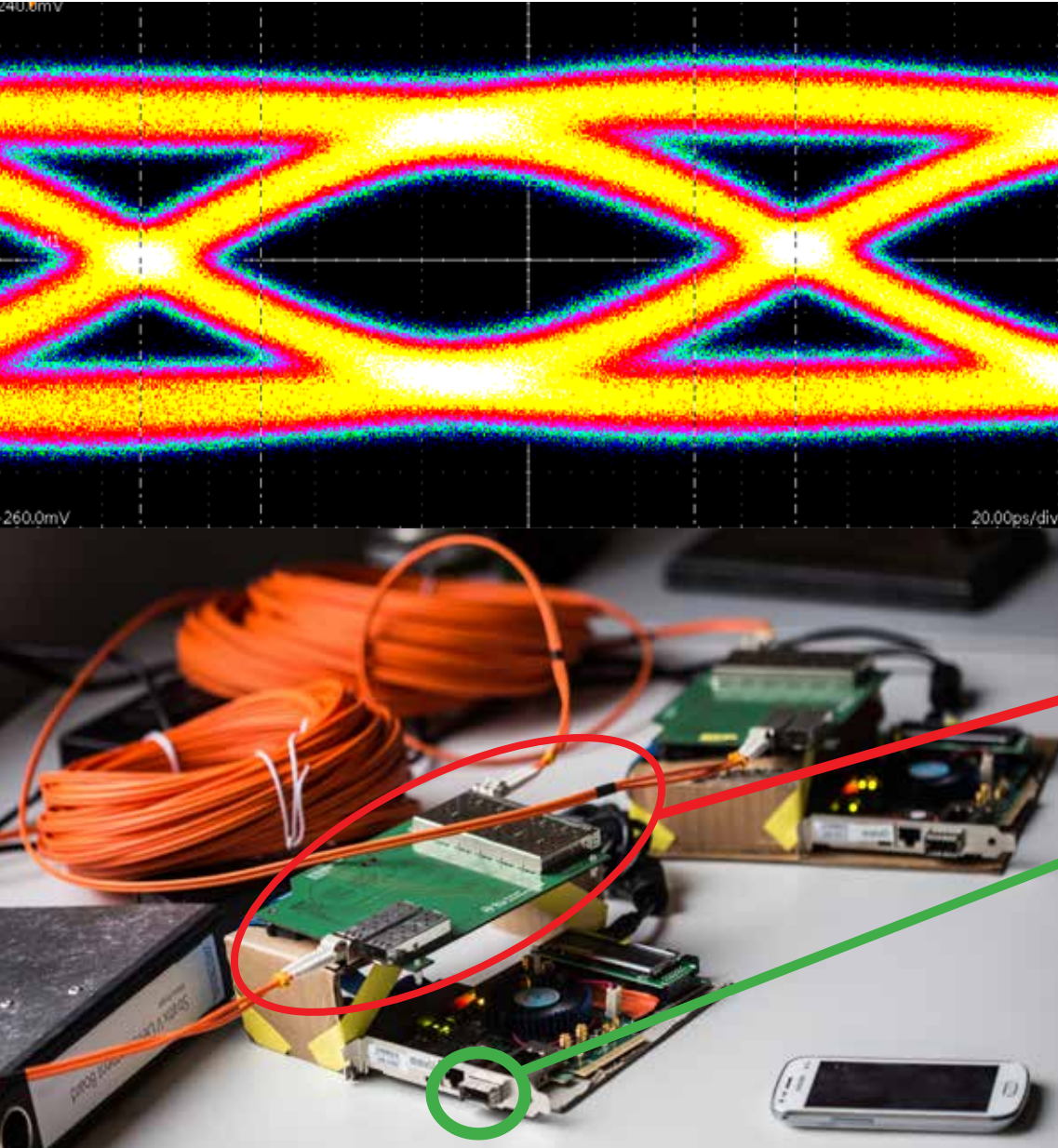
Online filter farm



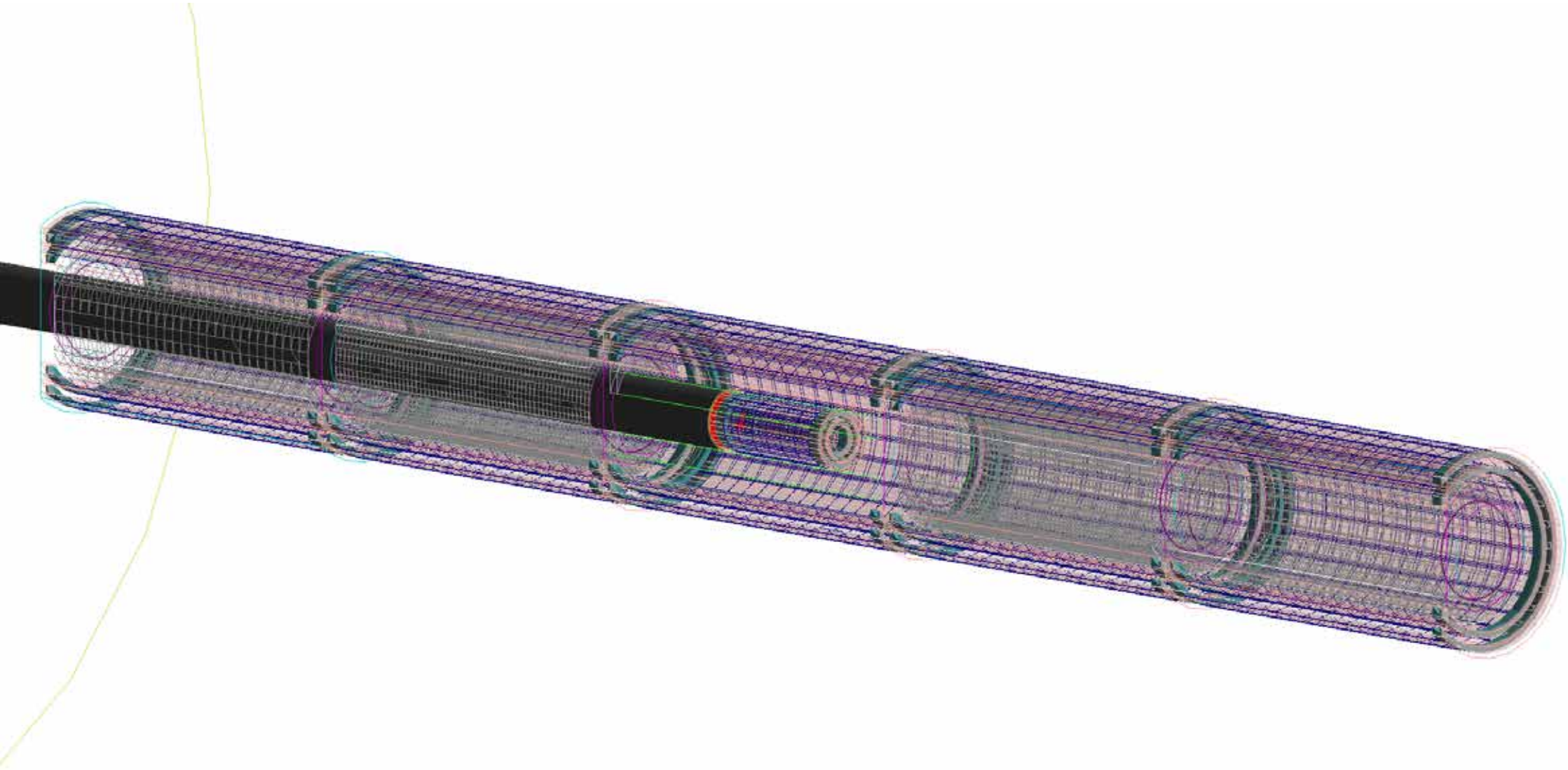
Online software filter farm

- Continuous front-end readout (no trigger)
- ~ 1 Tbit/s
- PCs with FPGAs and Graphics Processing Units (GPUs)
- Online track and event reconstruction
- 10^9 3D track fits/s achieved
- Data reduction by factor ~ 1000
- Data to tape < 100 Mbyte/s

Optical links



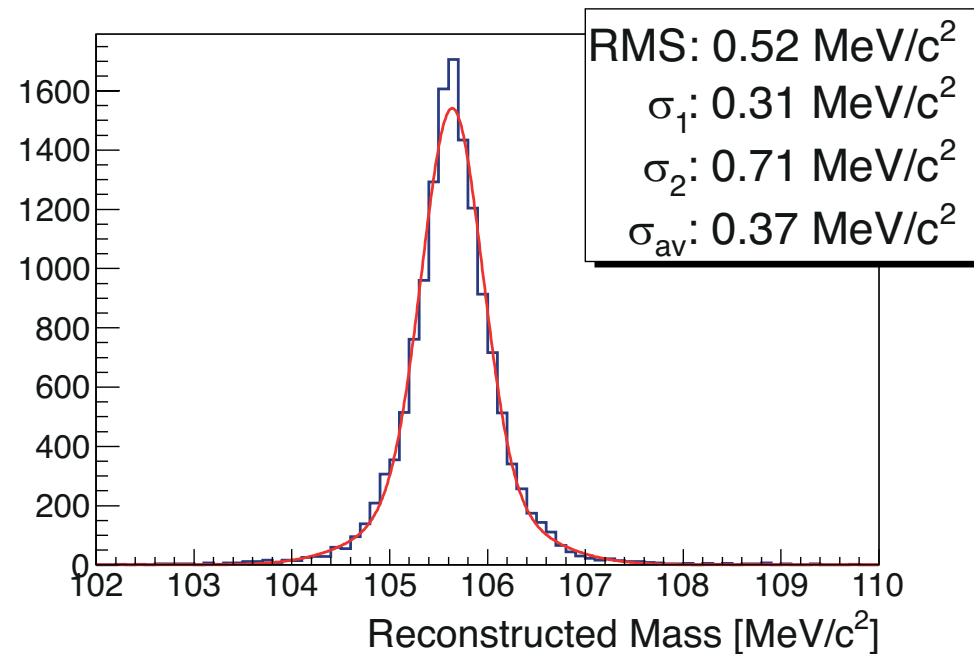
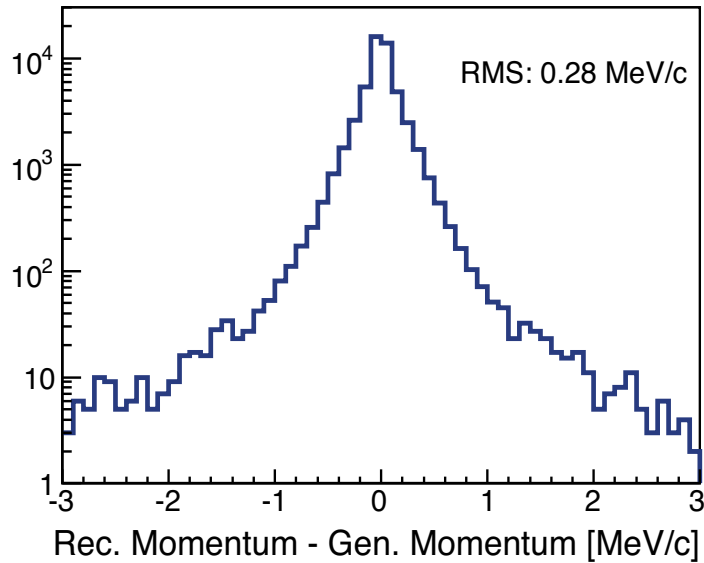
- Bit error rate $< 10^{-16}$ at 6.4 Gbit/s (Mezzanine card)
- Tests at 8 Gbit/s ongoing (Mezzanine card)
- Bit error rate $< 10^{-16}$ at 4 x 11.3 Gbit/s (On-board QSFP transceiver)
- More than sufficient for phase Ia and Ib (Mezzanine cards)
- More than sufficient for phase 2 (QSFP)
- Also: 3.2 Gbyte/s DMA from FPGA to PC





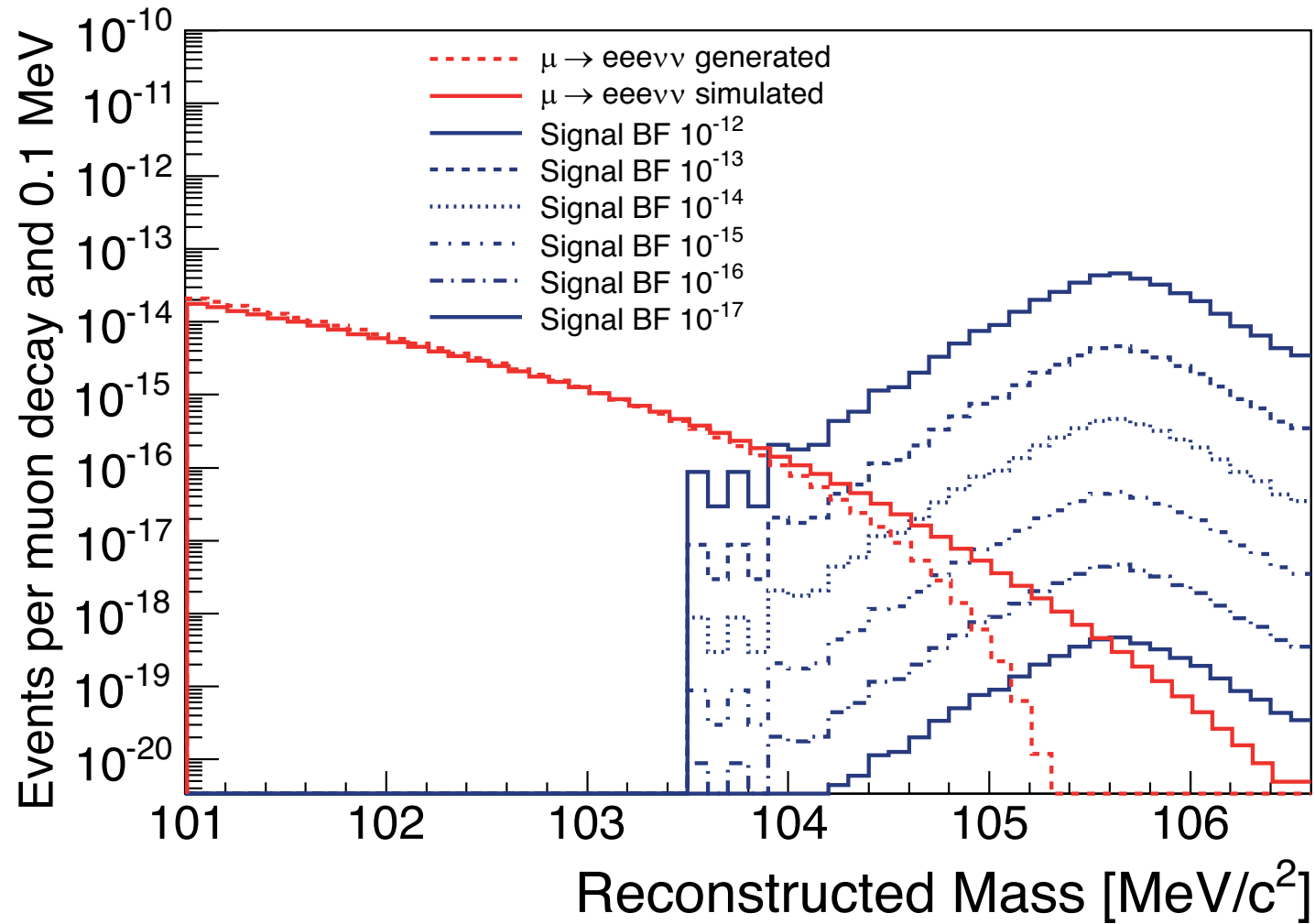
Simulated Performance

- 3D multiple scattering track fit
- Simulation results:
 - 280 keV single track momentum
 - 520 keV total mass resolution



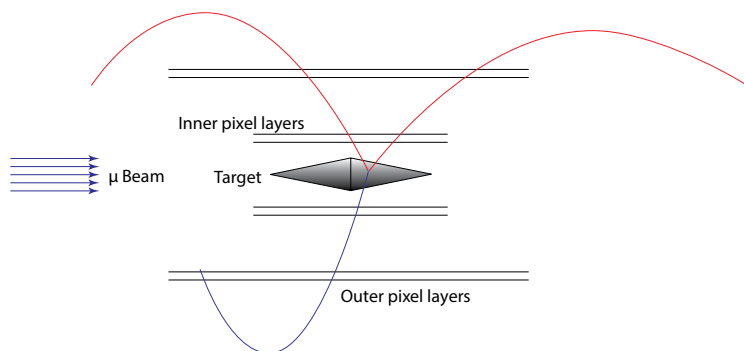
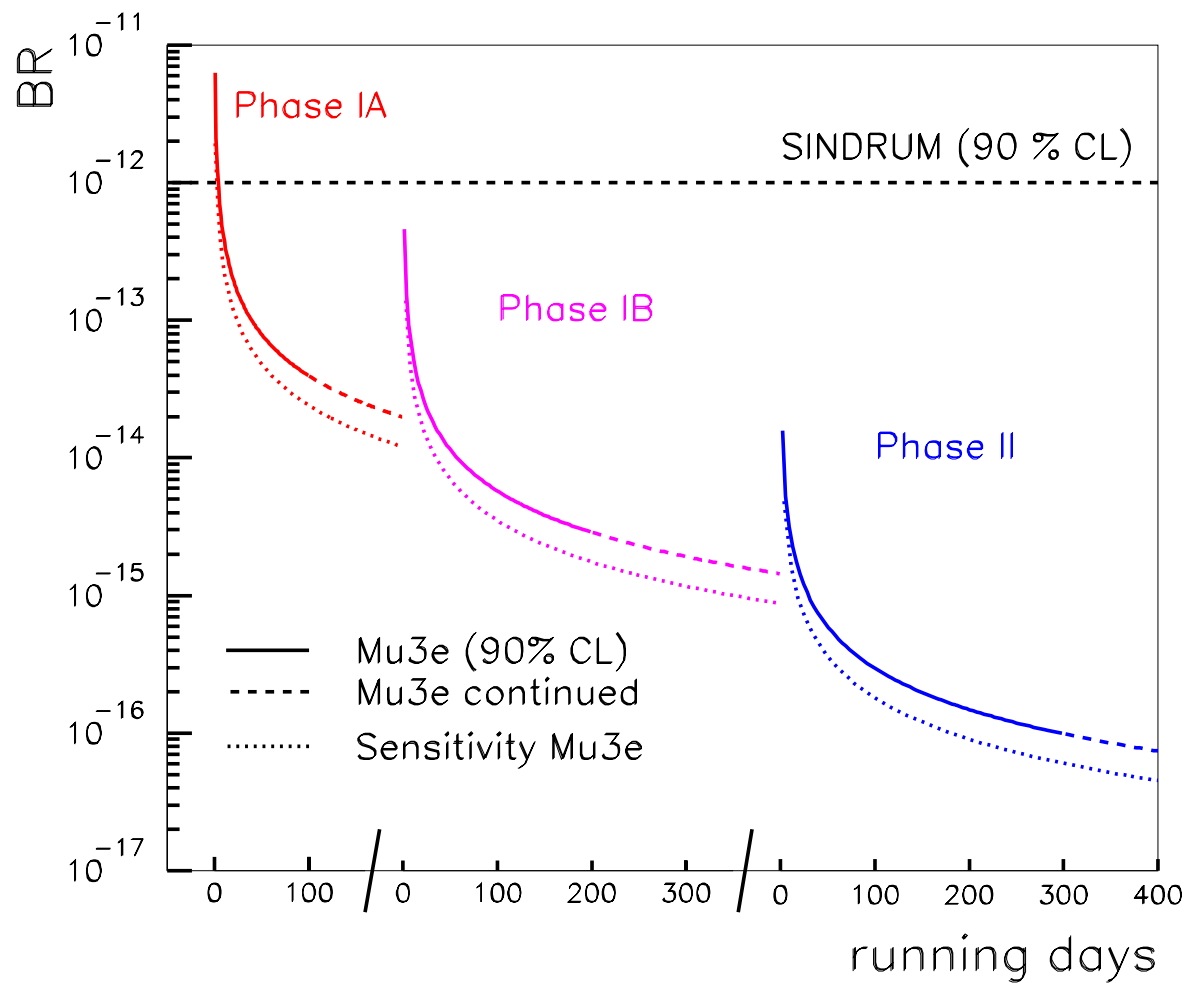


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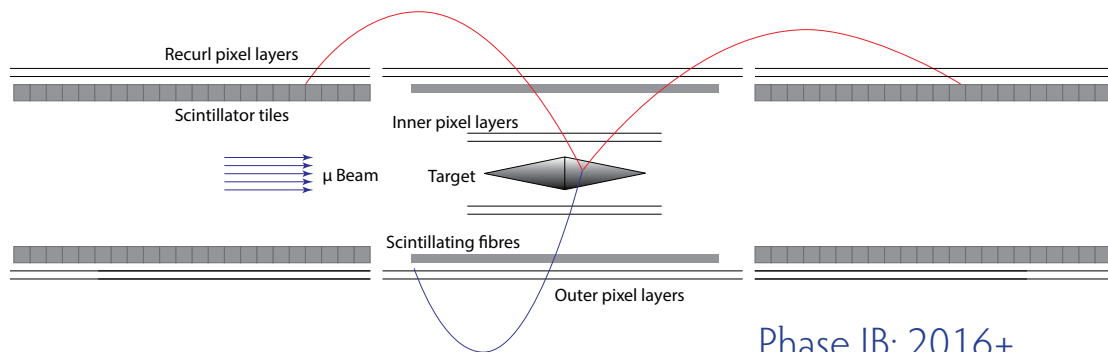
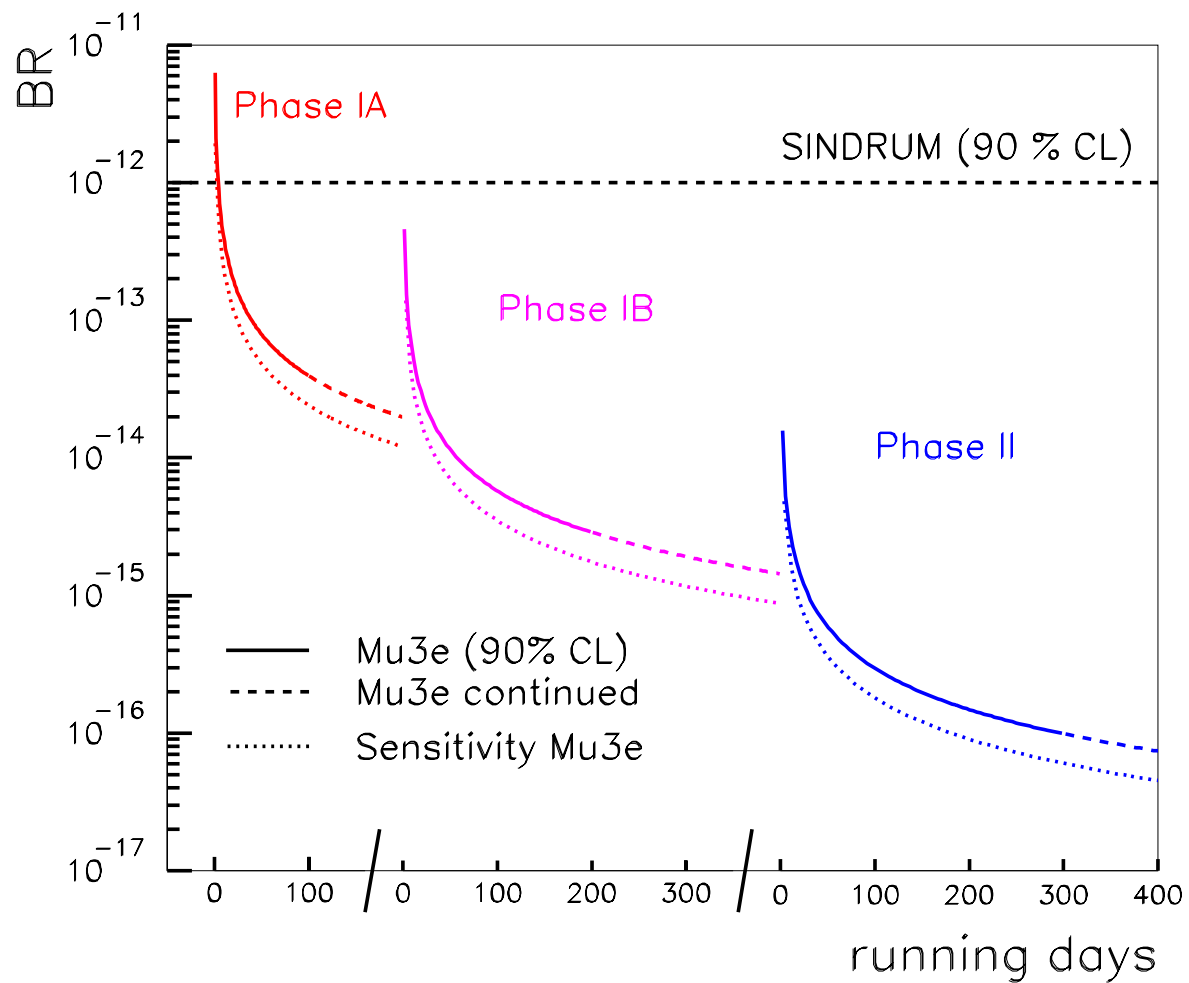
Sensitivity



Phase IA: Starting 2015



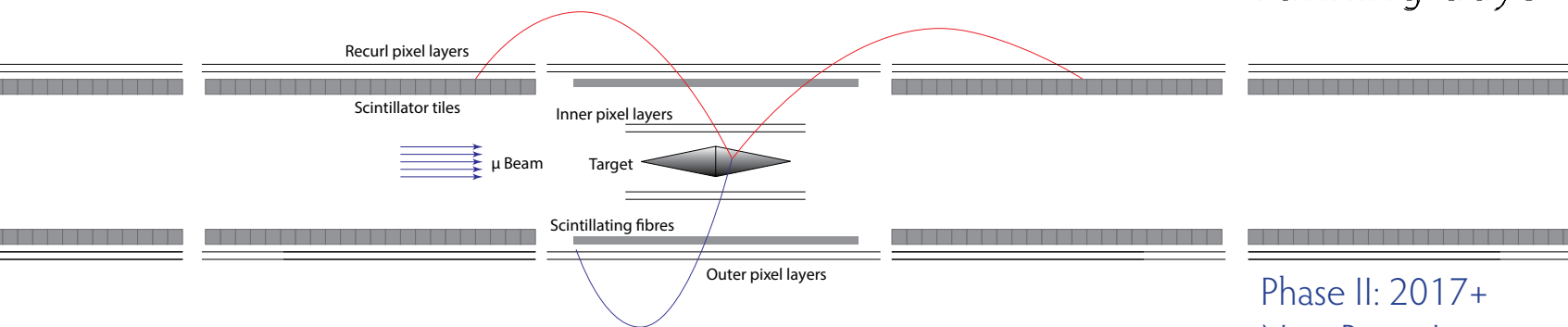
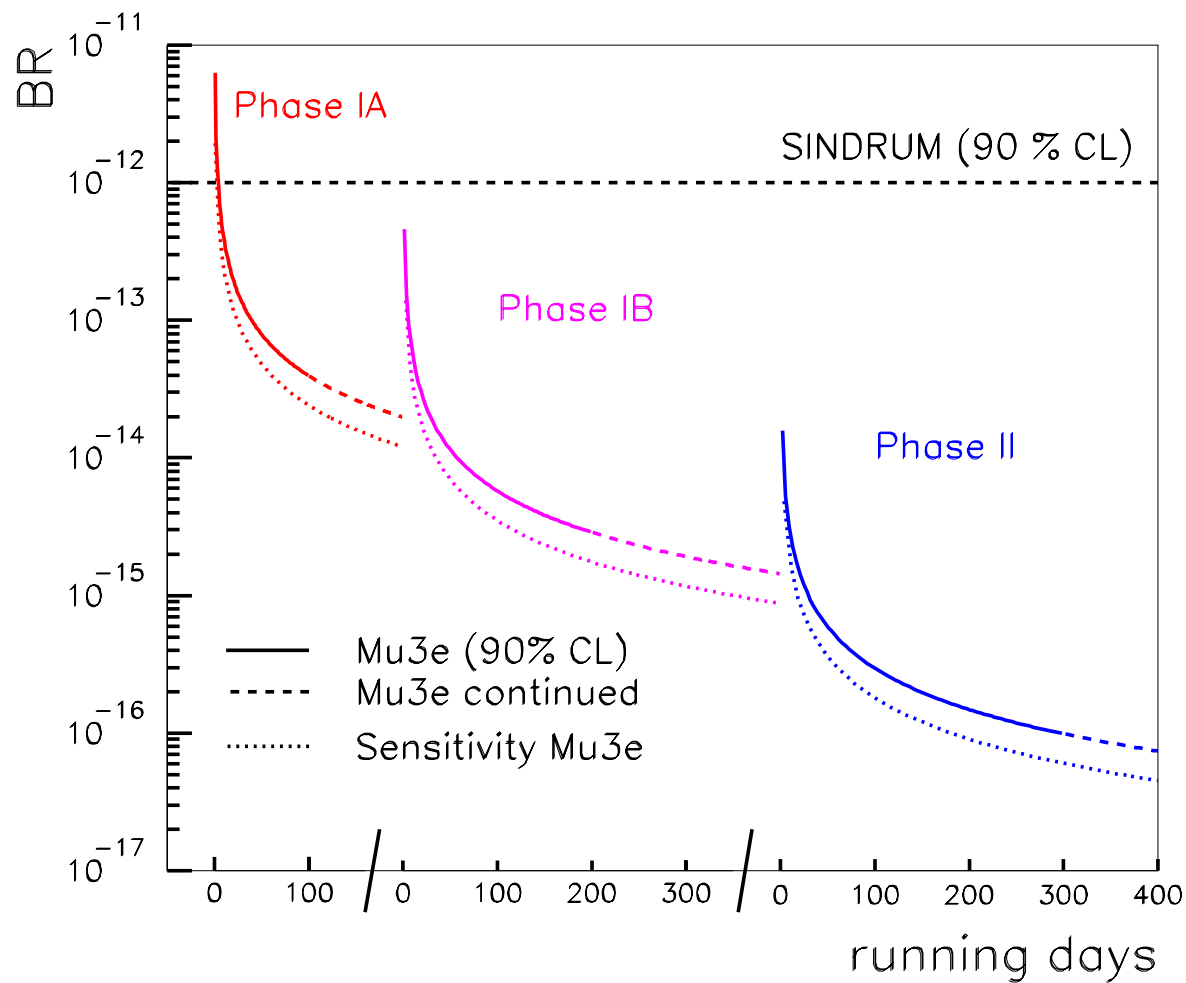
Sensitivity



Phase IB: 2016+

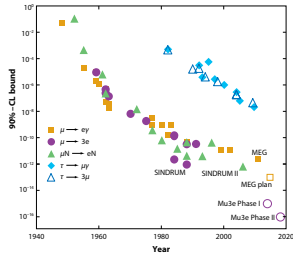


Sensitivity



Phase II: 2017+
New Beam Line

Conclusion



- Mu3e aims for $\mu \rightarrow eee$ at the 10^{-16} level

- First large scale use of HV-MAPS

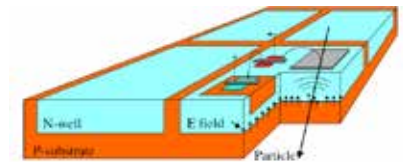
- Build detector layers thinner than a hair

- Timing at the 100 ps level

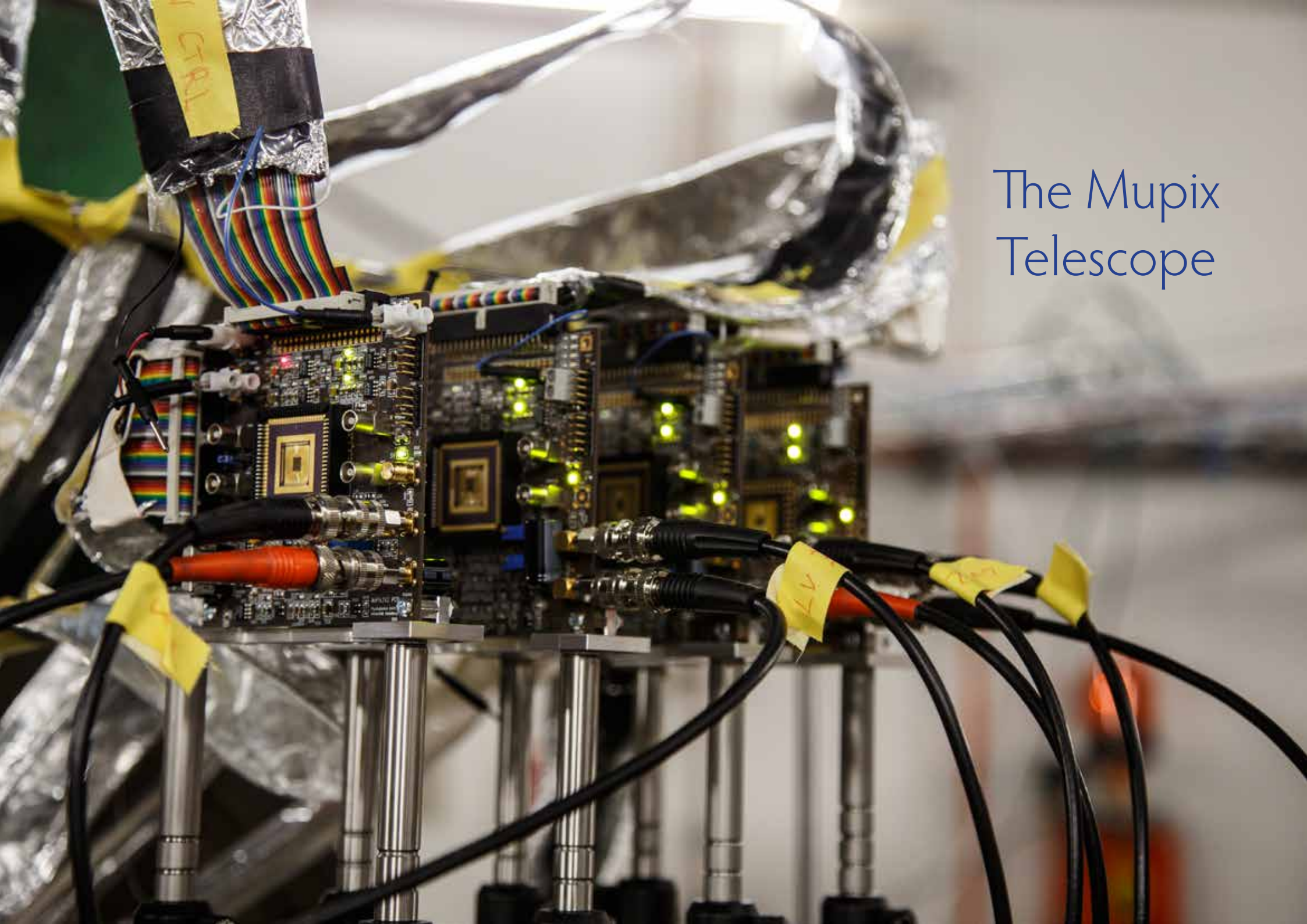
- Reconstruct 2 billion tracks/s in 1 Tbit/s on ~50 GPUs

- Start data taking in 2016

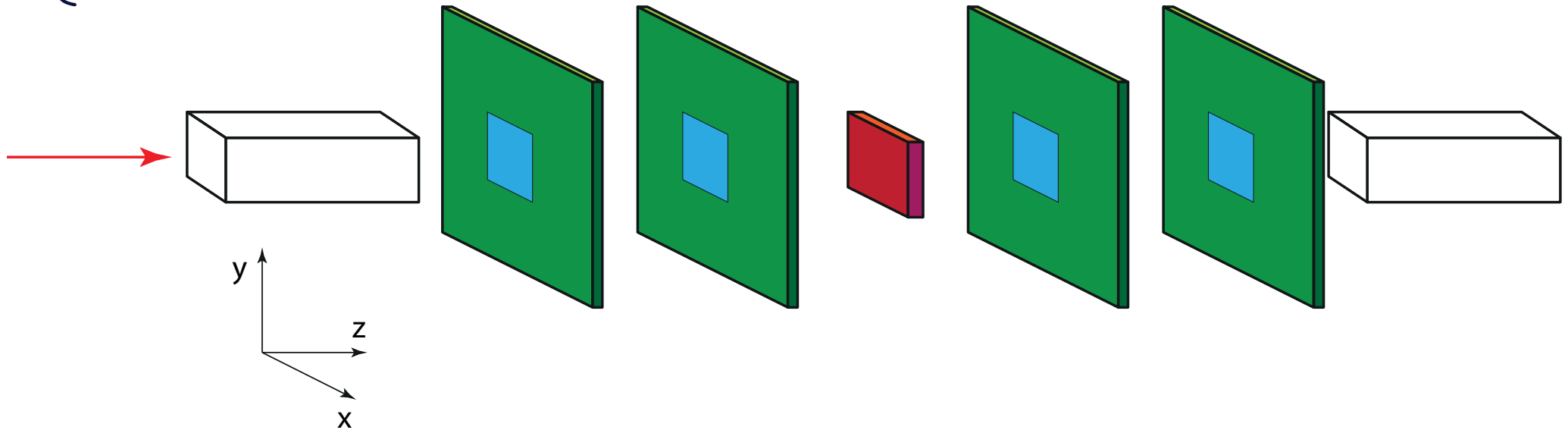
- 2 billion muons/s from HIMB after 2017



The Mupix Telescope



The MuPix Telescope



Idea: Use Mu3e components to build a beam telescope

- Scintillating tiles for trigger and timing reference
- Thinned MuPix 4 (or 6) chips on thinned PCBs
- Fast readout, online tracking

- $O(200 \mu\text{m})$ pointing resolution for 50 MeV/c electrons
- Few MHz track rates
- Ideal for PSI beam tests
- First tests this week very promising

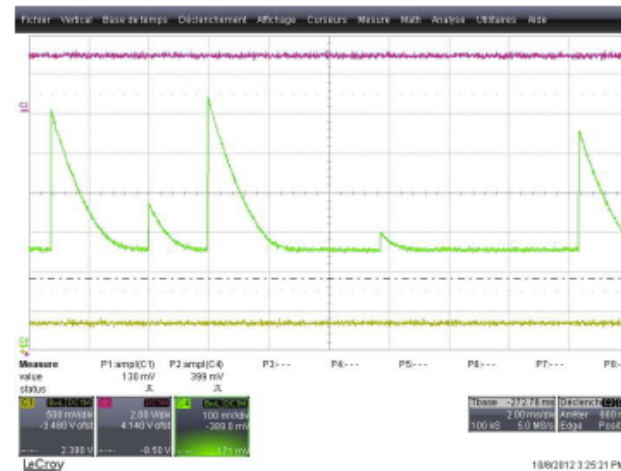
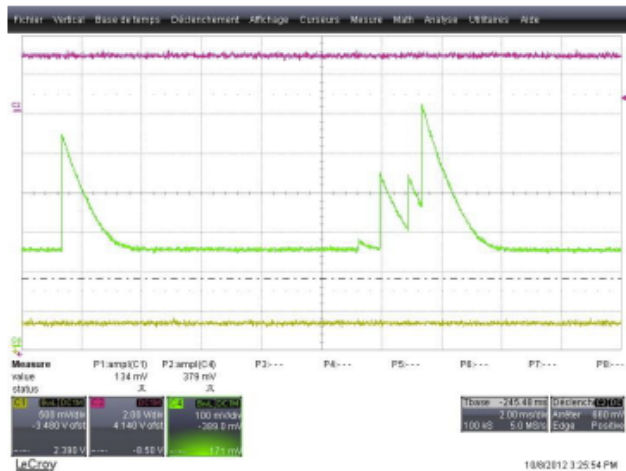


Backup Material

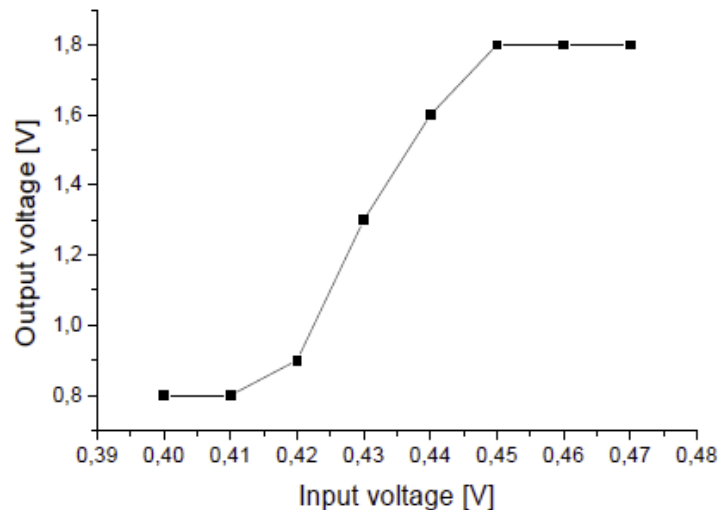


Radiation Hardness

- Requirements not as strict as at LHC



The chip works, particles are measured when the chip is in the beam: Output of the amplifier



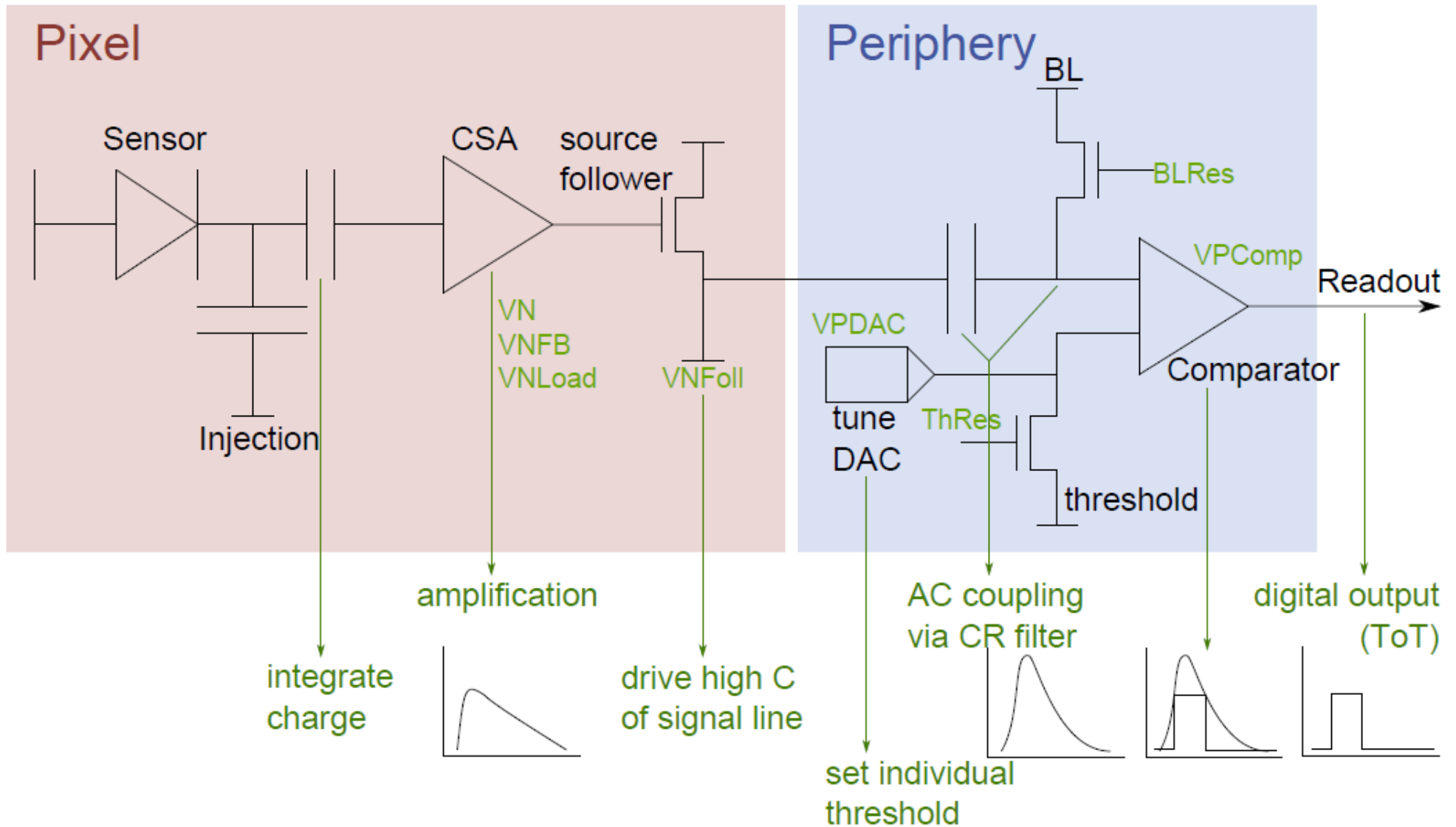
Comparator characteristics.

- Irradiation at PS
- After 380 MRad ($8 \times 10^{15} n_{eq}/cm^2$)
- Chip still working

(Courtesy Ivan Perić, RESMDD 2012)

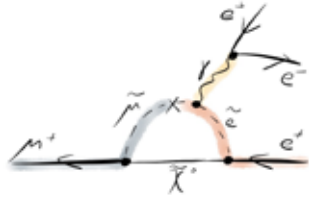


MUPIX electronics





A general effective Lagrangian



Tensor terms (dipole) e.g. supersymmetry

$$L_{\mu \rightarrow eee} = 2 G_F (m_\mu A_R \bar{\mu}_R \sigma^{\mu\nu} e_L F_{\mu\nu} + m_\mu A_L \bar{\mu}_L \sigma^{\mu\nu} e_R F_{\mu\nu})$$

Four-fermion terms e.g. Z'

$$+ g_1 (\bar{\mu}_R e_L) (\bar{e}_R e_L) + g_2 (\bar{\mu}_L e_R) (\bar{e}_L e_R)$$

scalar

$$+ g_3 (\bar{\mu}_R \gamma^\mu e_R) (\bar{e}_R \gamma^\mu e_R) + g_4 (\bar{\mu}_L \gamma^\mu e_L) (\bar{e}_L \gamma^\mu e_L)$$

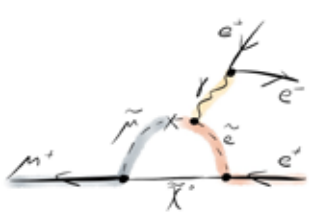
$$+ g_5 (\bar{\mu}_R \gamma^\mu e_R) (\bar{e}_L \gamma^\mu e_L) + g_6 (\bar{\mu}_L \gamma^\mu e_L) (\bar{e}_R \gamma^\mu e_R) + \text{H. C.}$$

vector

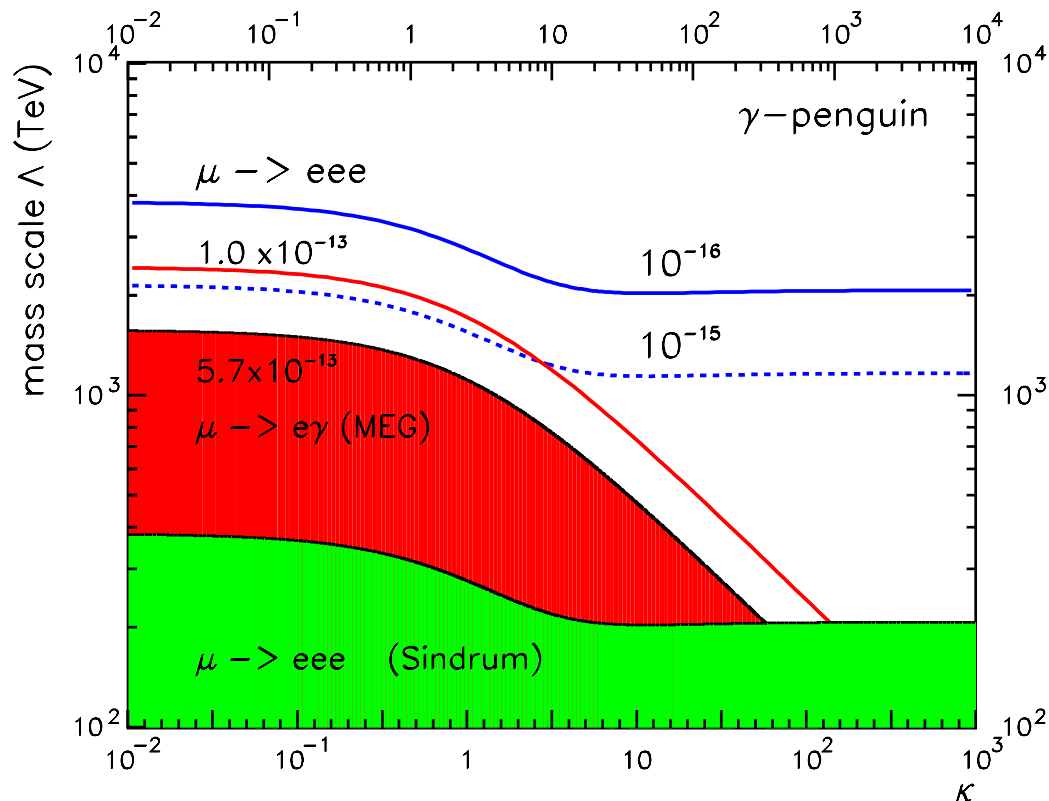


(Y. Kuno, Y. Okada,
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Comparison with $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma$



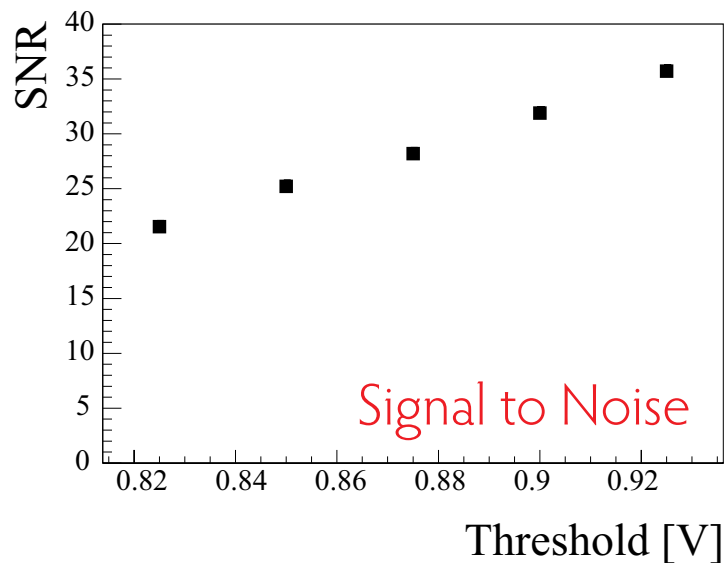
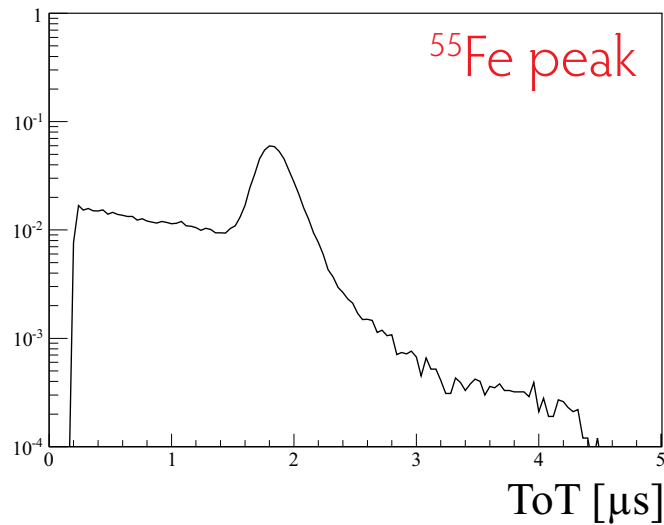
$$L_{\text{LFV}} = \frac{m_\mu}{(\kappa+1)\Lambda^2} A_R \bar{\mu}_R \sigma^{\mu\nu} e_L F_{\mu\nu} + \frac{\kappa}{(\kappa+1)\Lambda^2} (\bar{\mu}_L \gamma^\mu e_L) (\bar{e}_L \gamma^\mu e_L)$$



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

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

MUPIX 2 Results



- Measurements with ^{55}Fe source
- Good energy measurement
- Very good signal to noise

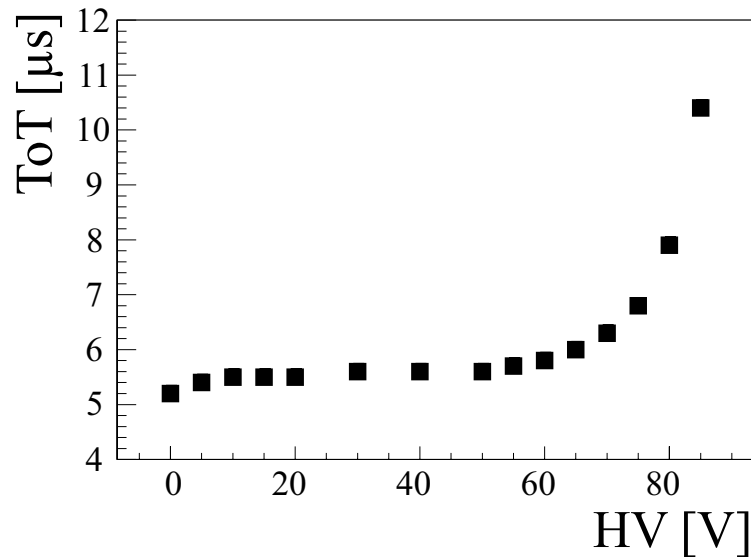
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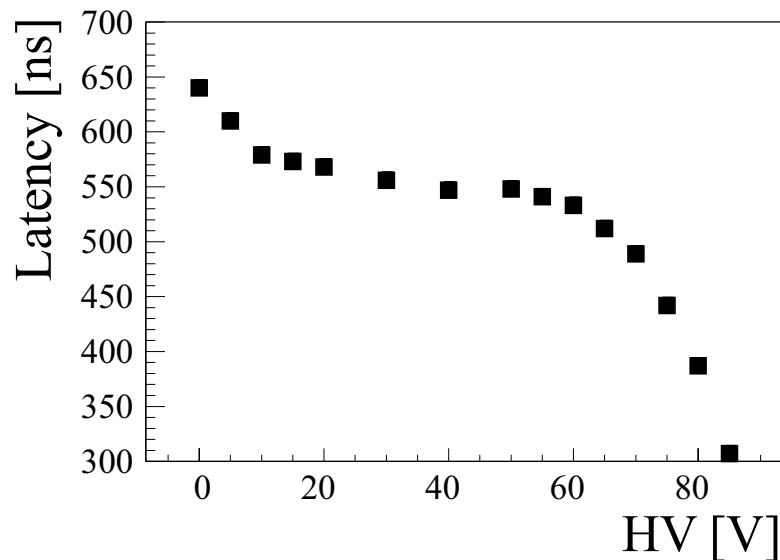
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MUPIX 2 Results



- Measurements with LED pulses
- High-Voltage important for fast signal
- Amplification above ~70 V



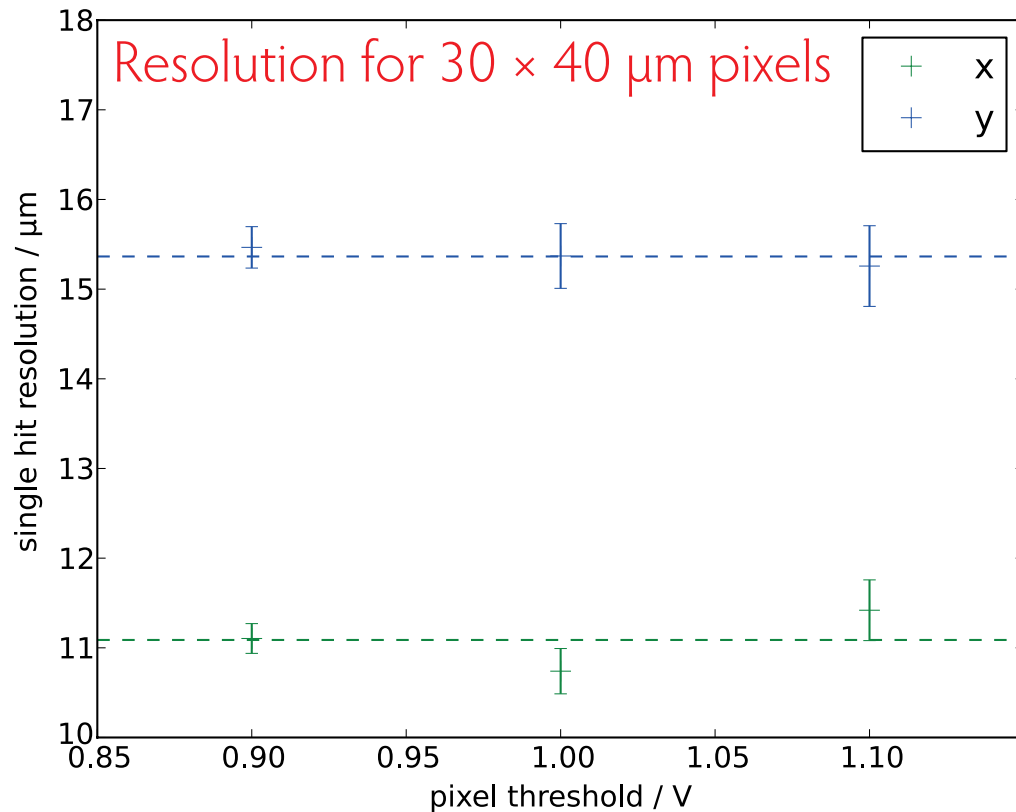
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MUPIX 2 results



- Test beam at CERN SPS (170 GeV/c pions)
- Timepix telescope
- 2 hours data taking
- Mostly single pixel clusters
- Resolution as expected (pixel size/ $\sqrt{12}$)
- More test beam data under study