



The Mu3e Experiment

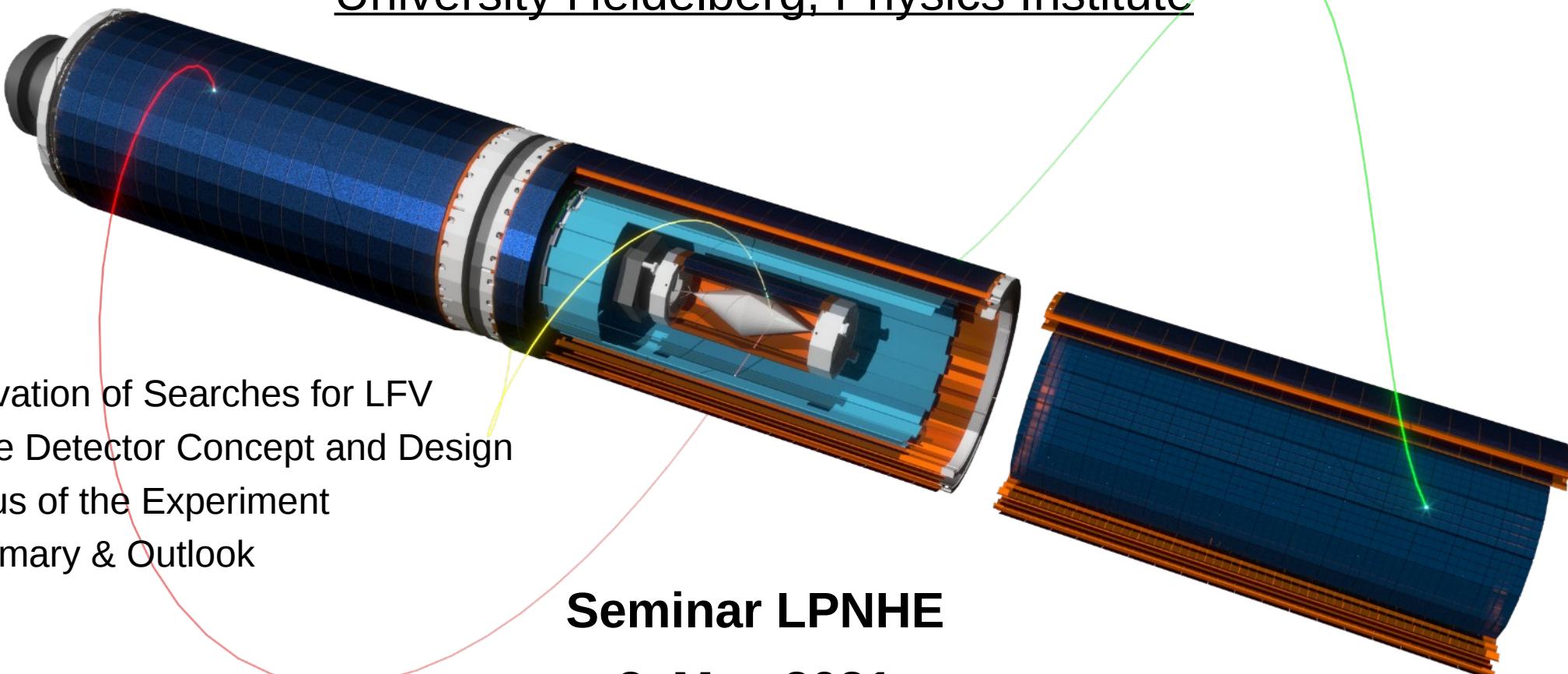
A new search for $\mu \rightarrow eee$

<https://www.psi.ch/mu3e/>

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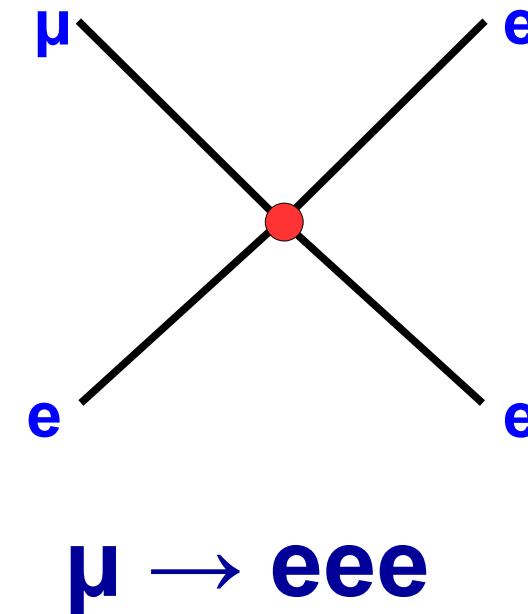
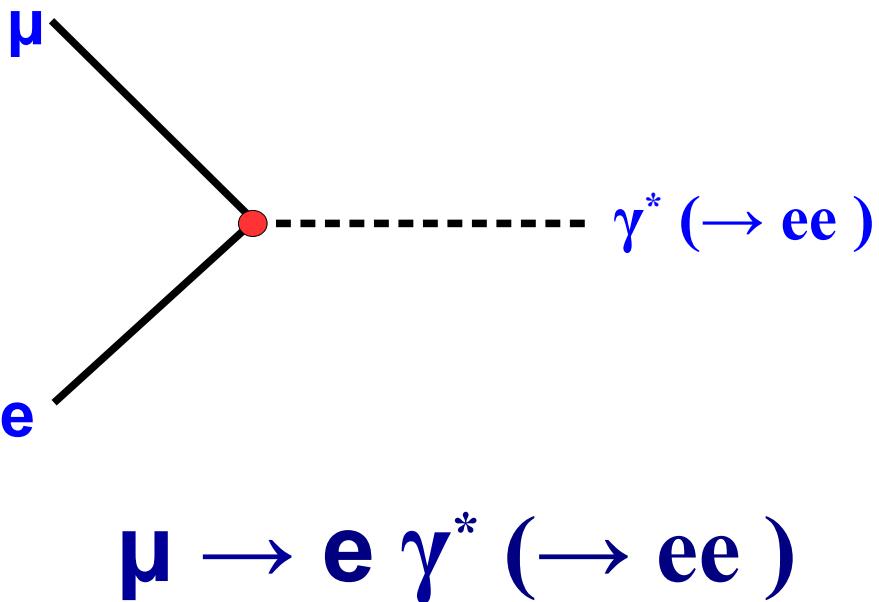
- Motivation of Searches for LFV
- Mu3e Detector Concept and Design
- Status of the Experiment
- Summary & Outlook



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Why Mu3e? (in short)

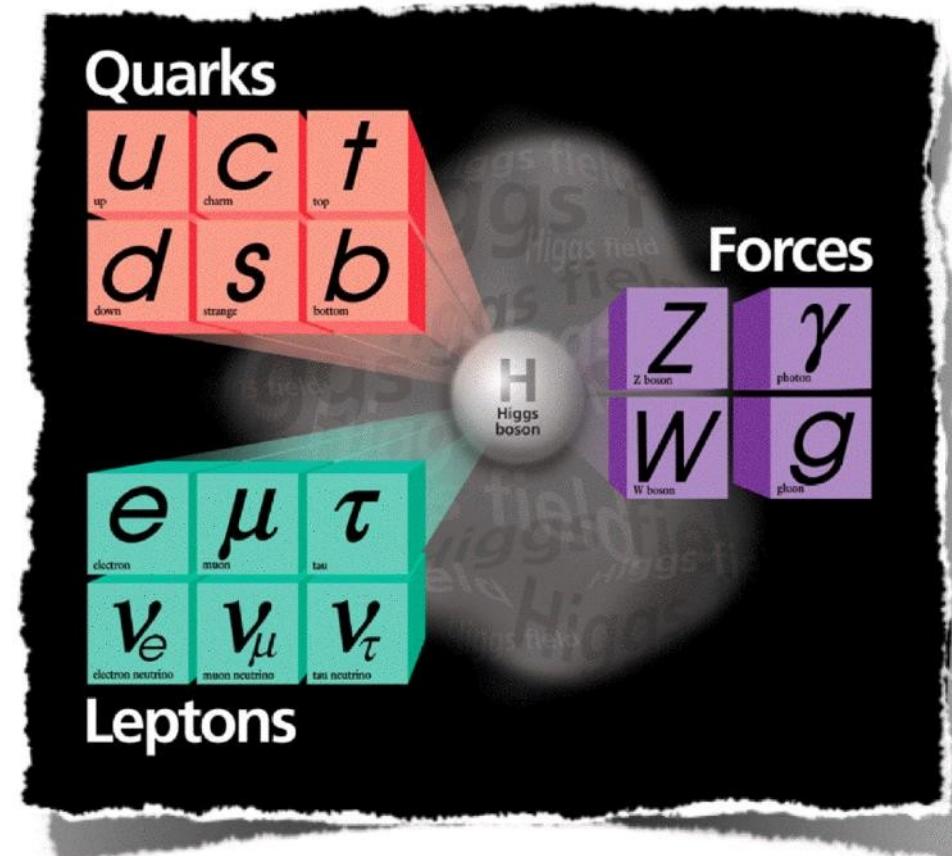
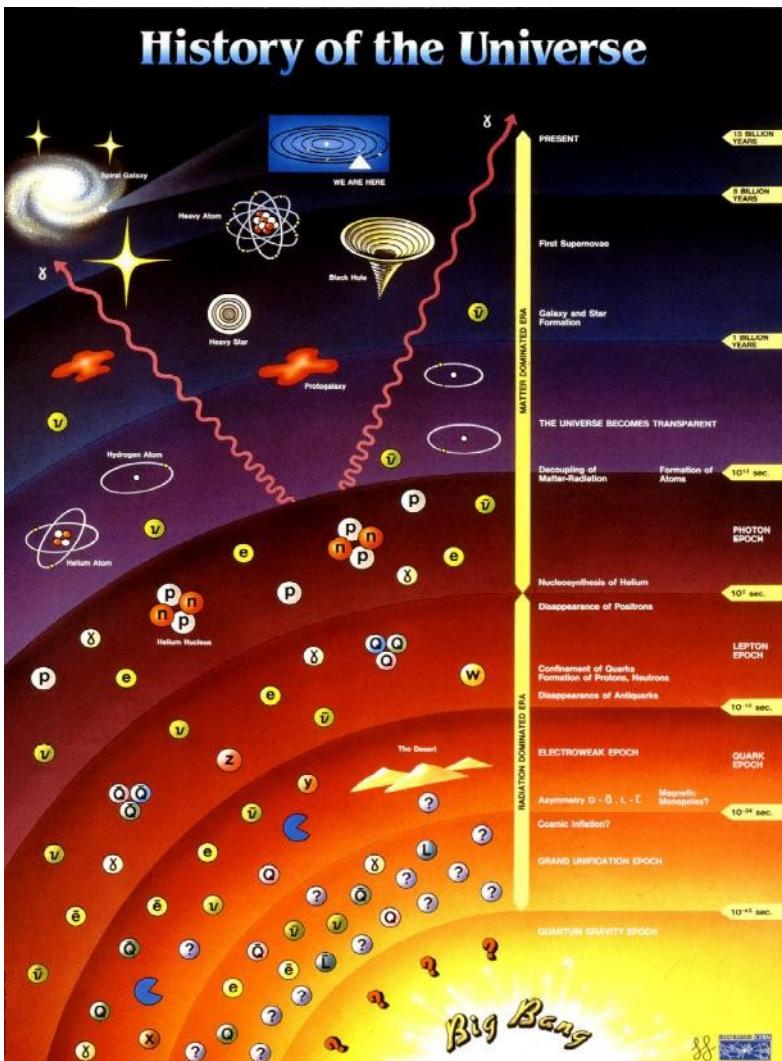


Lepton Flavor violating (LFV), and FCNC in more general, are forbidden in the SM

→ **Very promising process to look for New Physics**

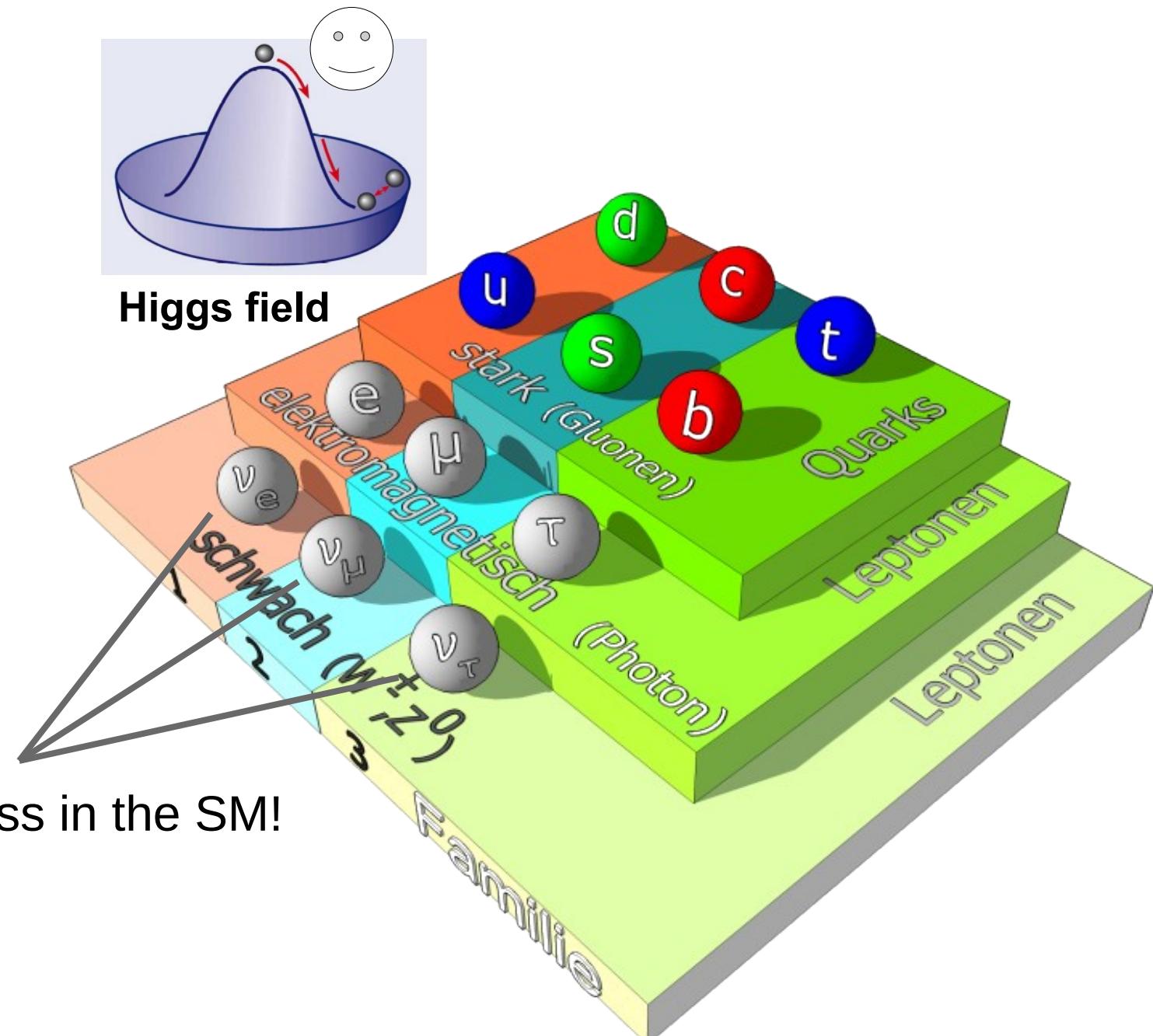


SM of Particle Physics

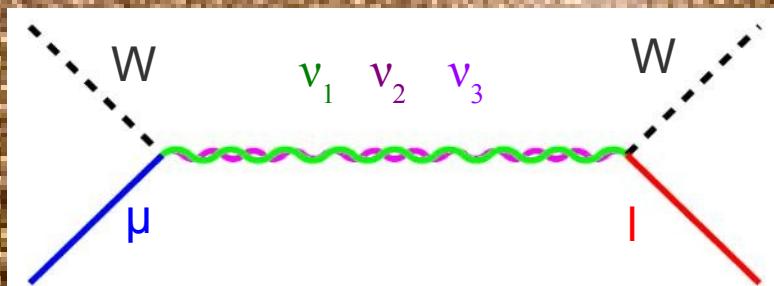


Physics after the electroweak epoch is described by the SM

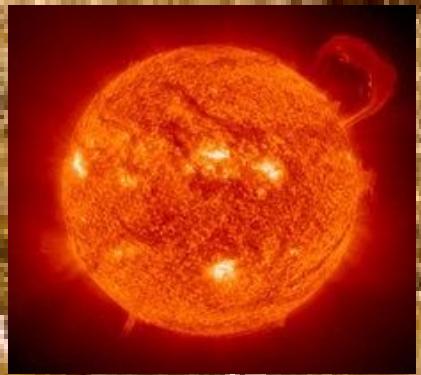
Fermions in the Standard Model (SM)



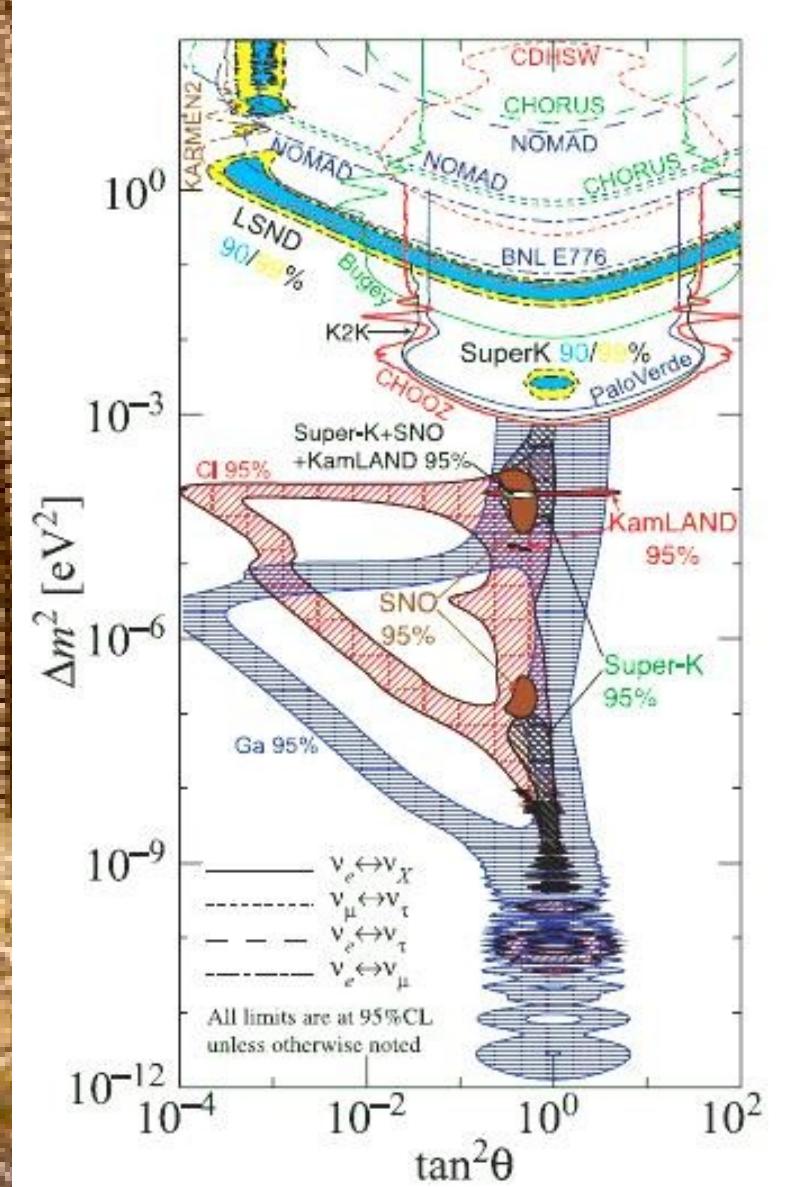
Discovery of Neutrino Oscillations



$$P(v_\alpha \rightarrow v_\beta) = \sin^2(2\theta) \sin^2(\Delta m_{\alpha\beta}^2 \frac{L}{E_\nu})$$

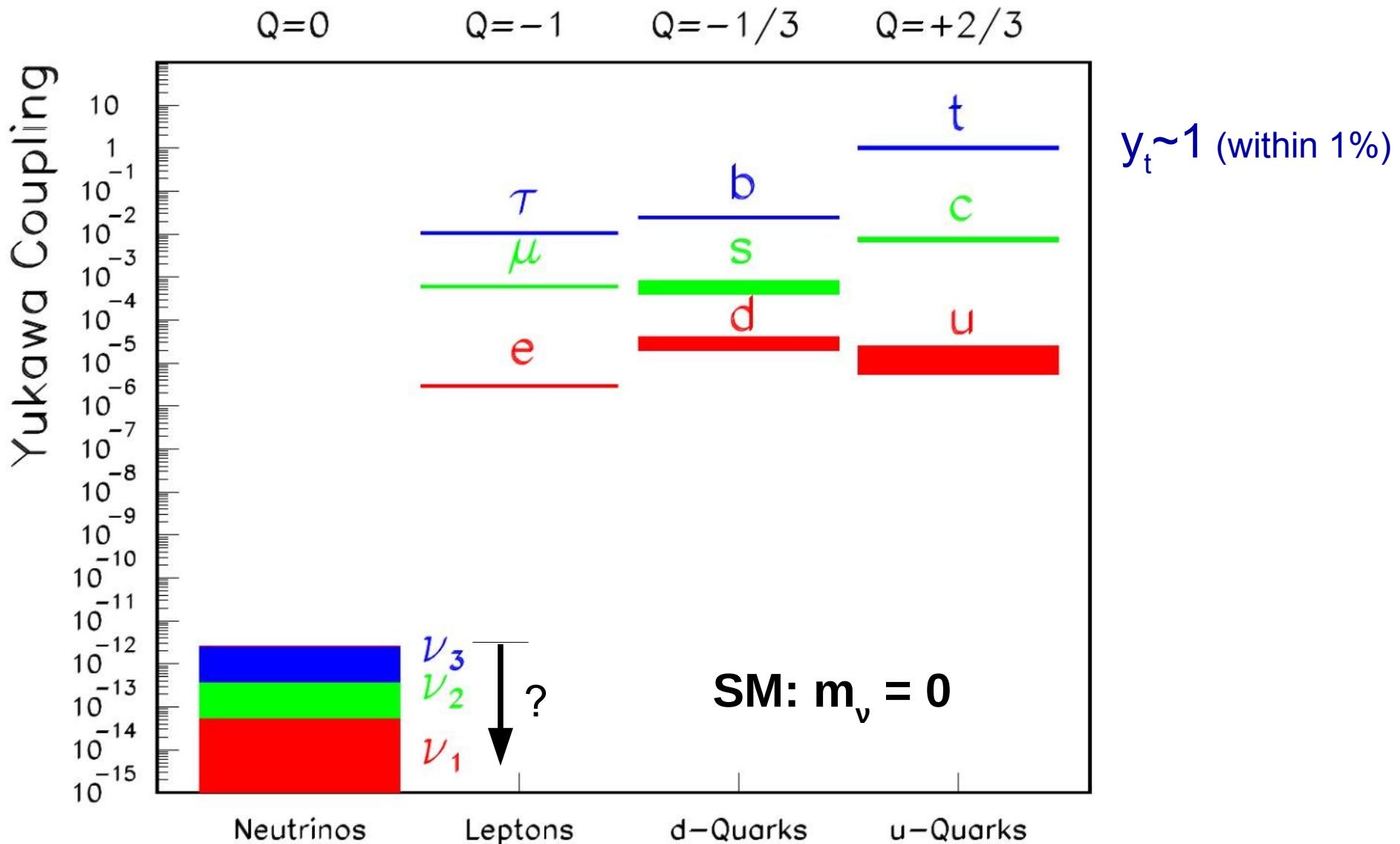


- Neutrino Oscillations:
 - solar neutrinos
 - reactor neutrinos
 - atmospheric neutrinos
 - neutrino beams





The Fermion Masses in the SM





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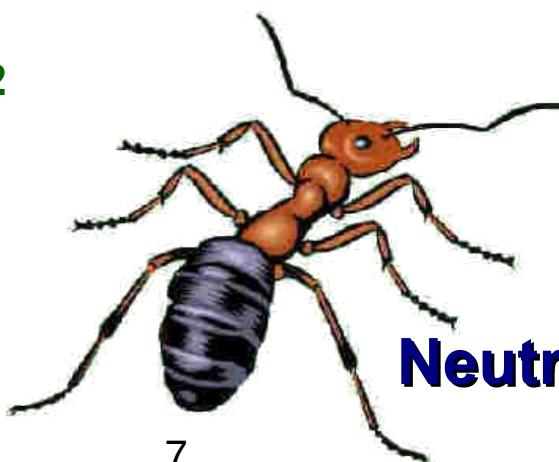
Proton/Neutron: $m \approx 1 \text{ GeV}/c^2$



**Elektron:
 $m \approx 0.5 \text{ MeV}/c^2$**



**Why Higgs couplings
so different?**



Neutrinos: $m \approx 0.01 - 0.1 \text{ eV}/c^2$



Physics Beyond the SM (BSM)

Experimental Observations

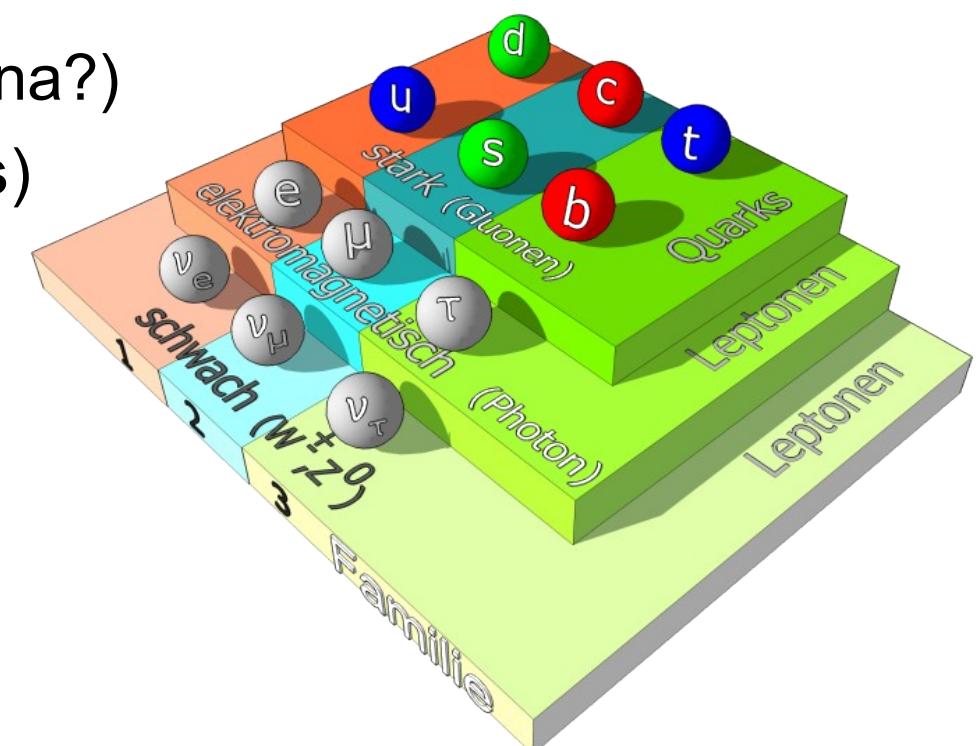
- Matter-antimatter asymmetry in universe → **CP-Violation**
- Observation **Dark matter**
→ require new particles or interactions beyond the SM

Unknowns

- Fermion **generations**
- Nature of **neutrinos** (Dirac or Majorana?)
- Fermion masses (**Yukawa couplings**)
→ no explanation yet

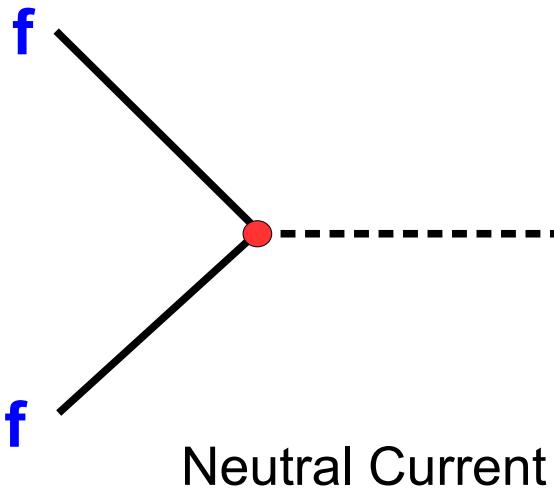
Problems

- Hierarchy “problem” (fine tuning)
- Stability of Higgs field, ...

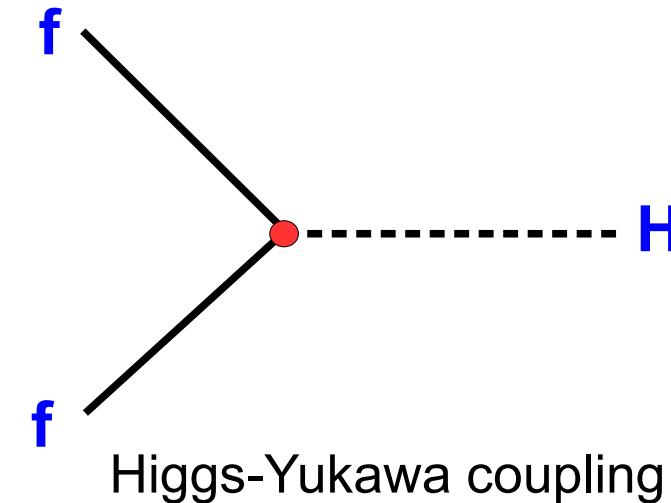




The Tree Diagrams in the SM

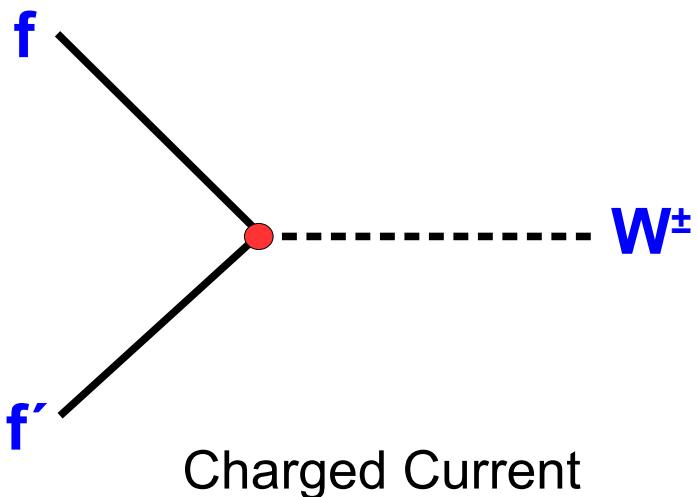


Neutral Current



Higgs-Yukawa coupling

→ flavor is **conserved** in neutral currents



Charged Current

$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ s \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} t \\ b \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} v_e \\ e \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_\mu \\ \mu \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_\tau \\ \tau \end{pmatrix}$$

→ but flavor **mixing** in charged currents



Flavor Mixing

Quarks

Cabibbo Kobayashi Maskawa (CKM)

$$\begin{pmatrix} d' \\ s' \\ b' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} v_{ud} & v_{us} & v_{ub} \\ v_{cd} & v_{cs} & v_{cb} \\ v_{td} & v_{ts} & v_{tb} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

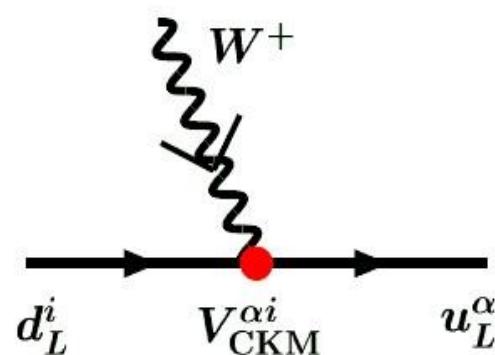
weak mass

Leptons

Pontecorvo Maki Nakagawa Sakata (PMNS)

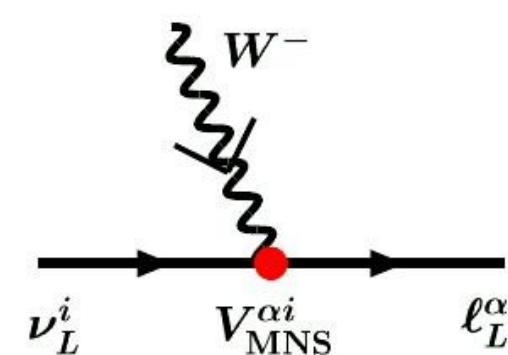
$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} v_{e1} & v_{e2} & v_{e3} \\ v_{\mu 1} & v_{\mu 2} & v_{\mu 3} \\ v_{\tau 1} & v_{\tau 2} & v_{\tau 3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

weak mass



$Q=-1/3$

$Q=+2/3$

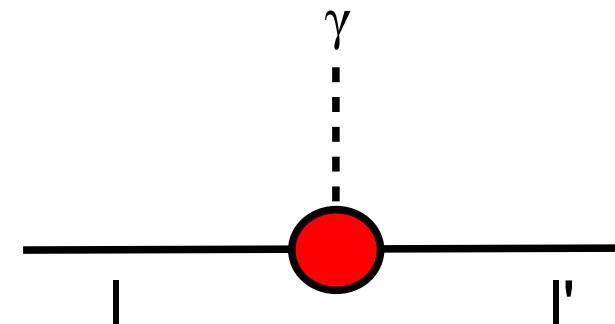
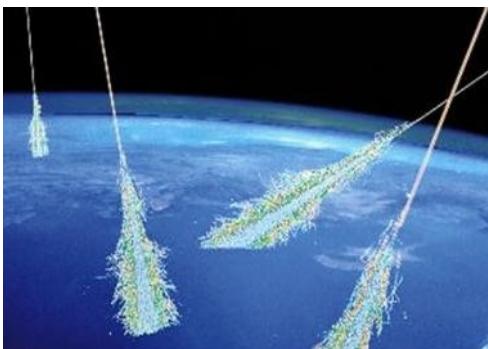


$Q=0$

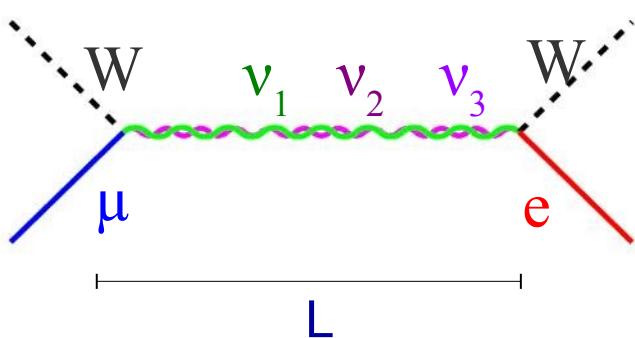
$Q=-1$



Lepton Mixing & Lepton Flavor Violation

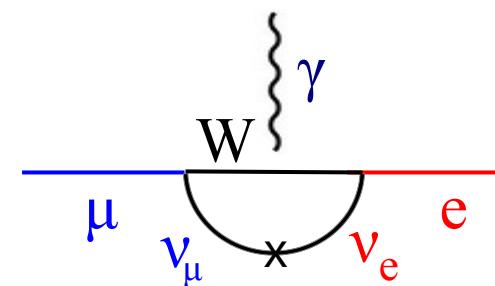


$\mu \rightarrow e$ via ν -oscillation



$$L \rightarrow 1/m_W$$
$$E_\nu \rightarrow m_W$$

$\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$ via quantum loop



$$P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) = \sin^2(2\Theta) \sin^2(\Delta m_{\alpha\beta}^2 \frac{L}{E_\nu})$$

$$B(\mu \rightarrow e \gamma) \propto \sin^2(2\Theta) (\Delta m_{\alpha\beta}^2 / m_W^2)^2$$

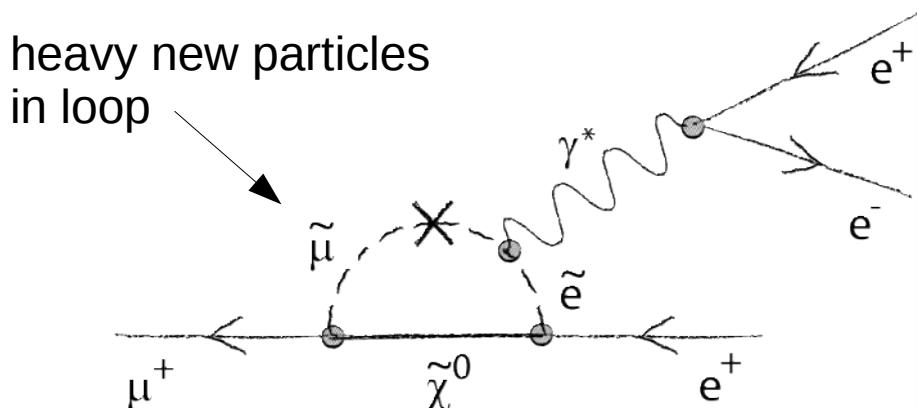
$$\propto \frac{(\Delta m_\nu^2)^2}{m_t^4} \approx y_\nu^4 \approx 10^{-50}$$



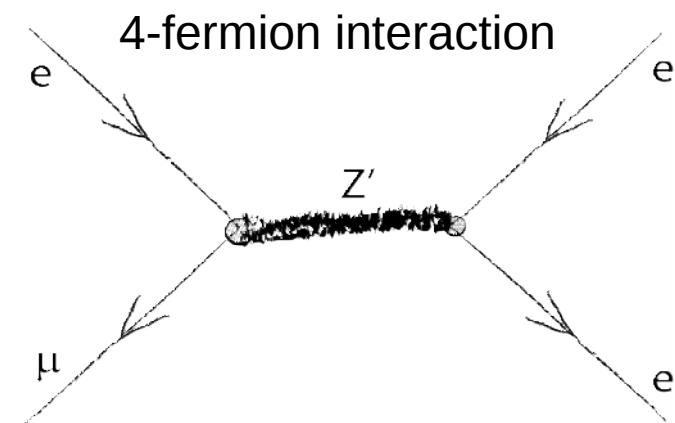
**Conservation of Lepton Flavor is an
Accidental Symmetry!**



Beyond the SM: $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^-$



loop diagrams (similar to $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$)



tree diagram (Mu3e specific)

- Supersymmetry
- Little Higgs Models
- Seesaw Models
- GUT models (Leptoquarks)
- many other models

- Higgs Triplet Model
- New Heavy Vector bosons (Z')
- Extra Dimensions (KK towers)

Many models “naturally” generate lepton flavor violation!



Mu3e Experiment

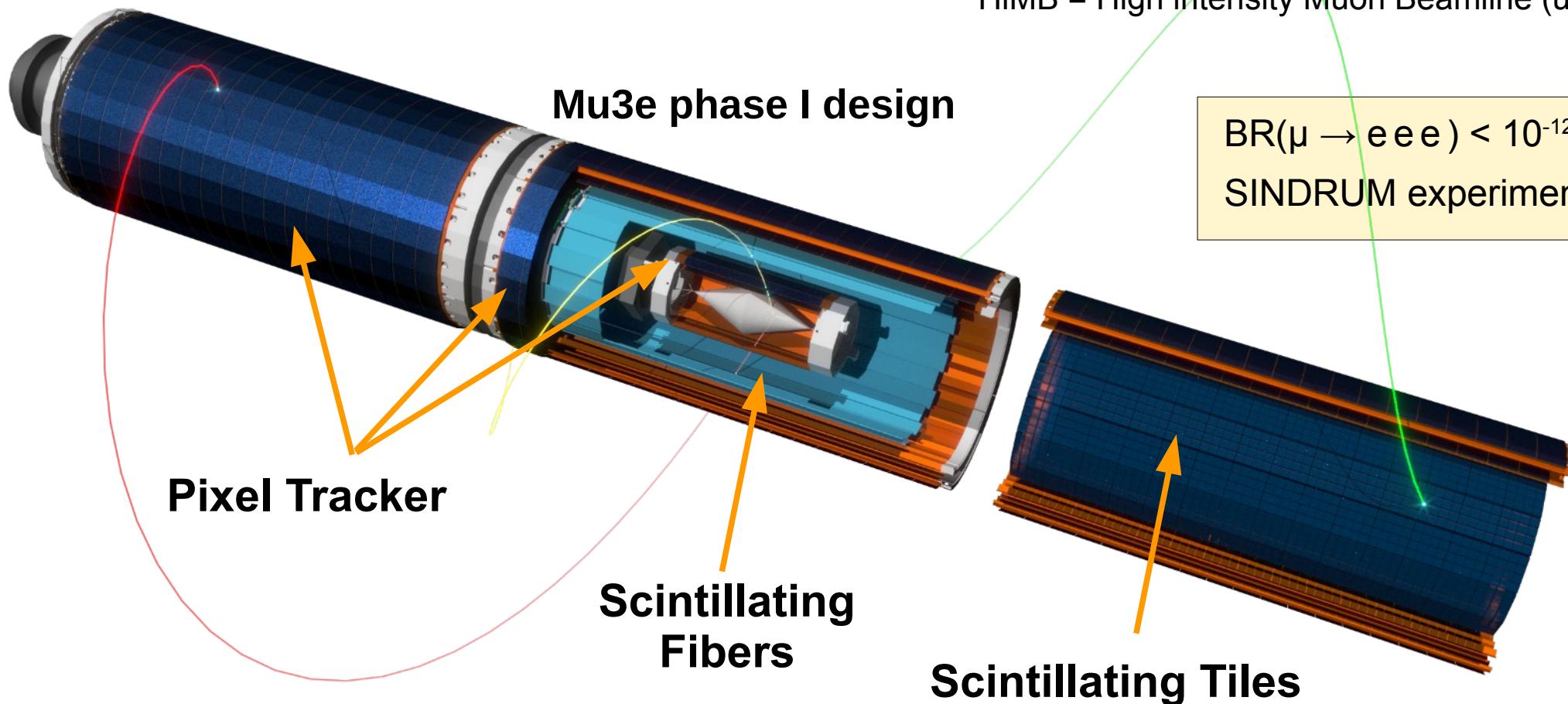
Aiming for a sensitivity (SES)

requires:

$\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow eee) < 2 \cdot 10^{-15}$ (phase I) → **10⁸ muons/s (PiE5)** ~next 5 years

$\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow eee) < 10^{-16}$ (phase II) → **>10⁹ muons/s (HiMB)** R&D

HiMB = High intensity Muon Beamline (under study)





Challenge Number 1: Rate

Goal → **10^{16} muon decays**

- running time: ~3 years → $3 \cdot 10^7$ s (experimental year ~ 10^7 s)
- detector acceptance: 30%
- required muon rate: **$10^9 \mu/\text{s}$** → defines technological challenge

Detector has to stand high rates! → e.g. silicon detectors for tracking



Challenge Number 2: Background

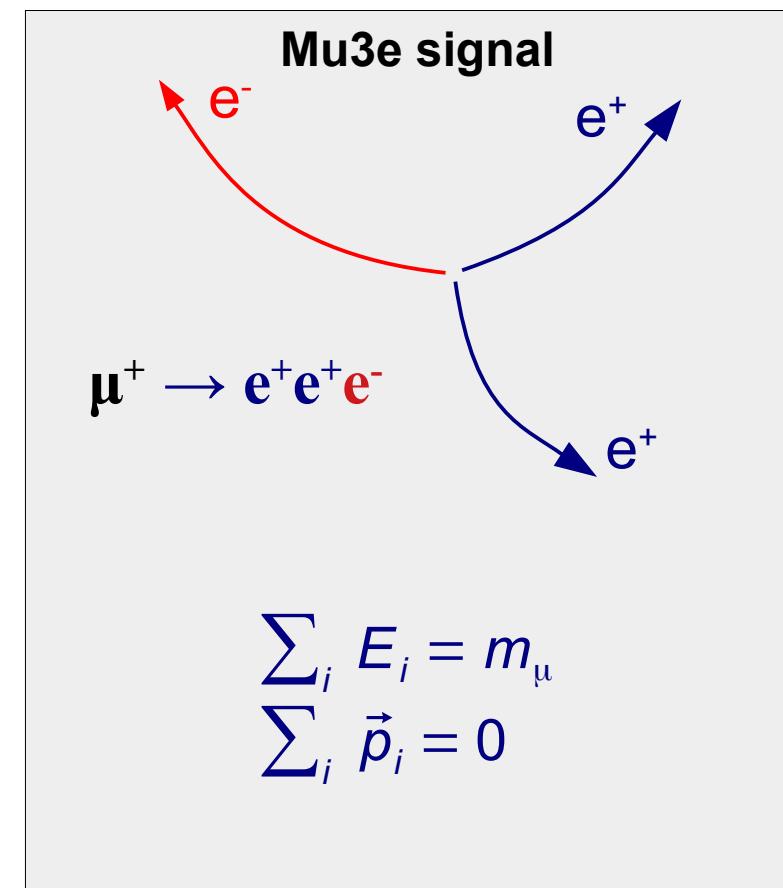
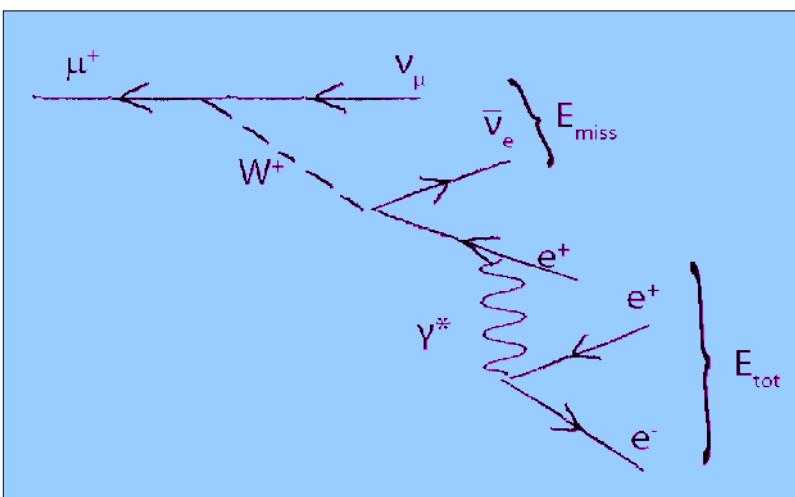
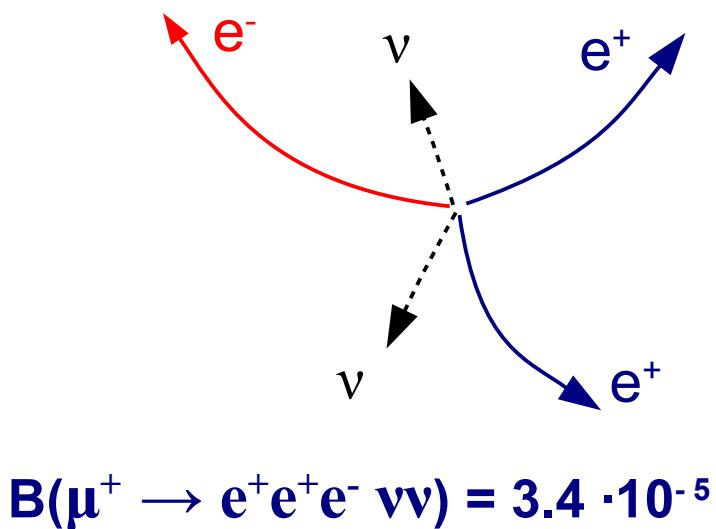
Number of grains of sand at all beaches in France $\sim 10^{16}$

Find THE grain of sand which violates lepton flavor!



Irreducible Background

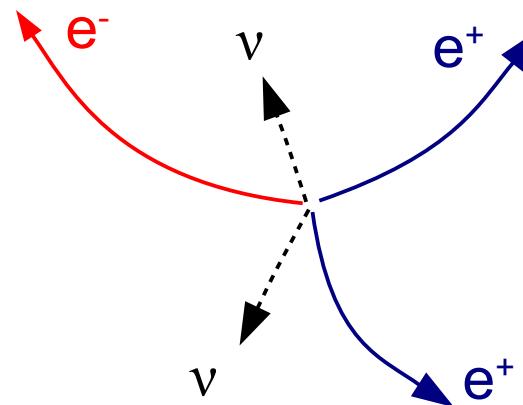
Radiative decay with internal conversion



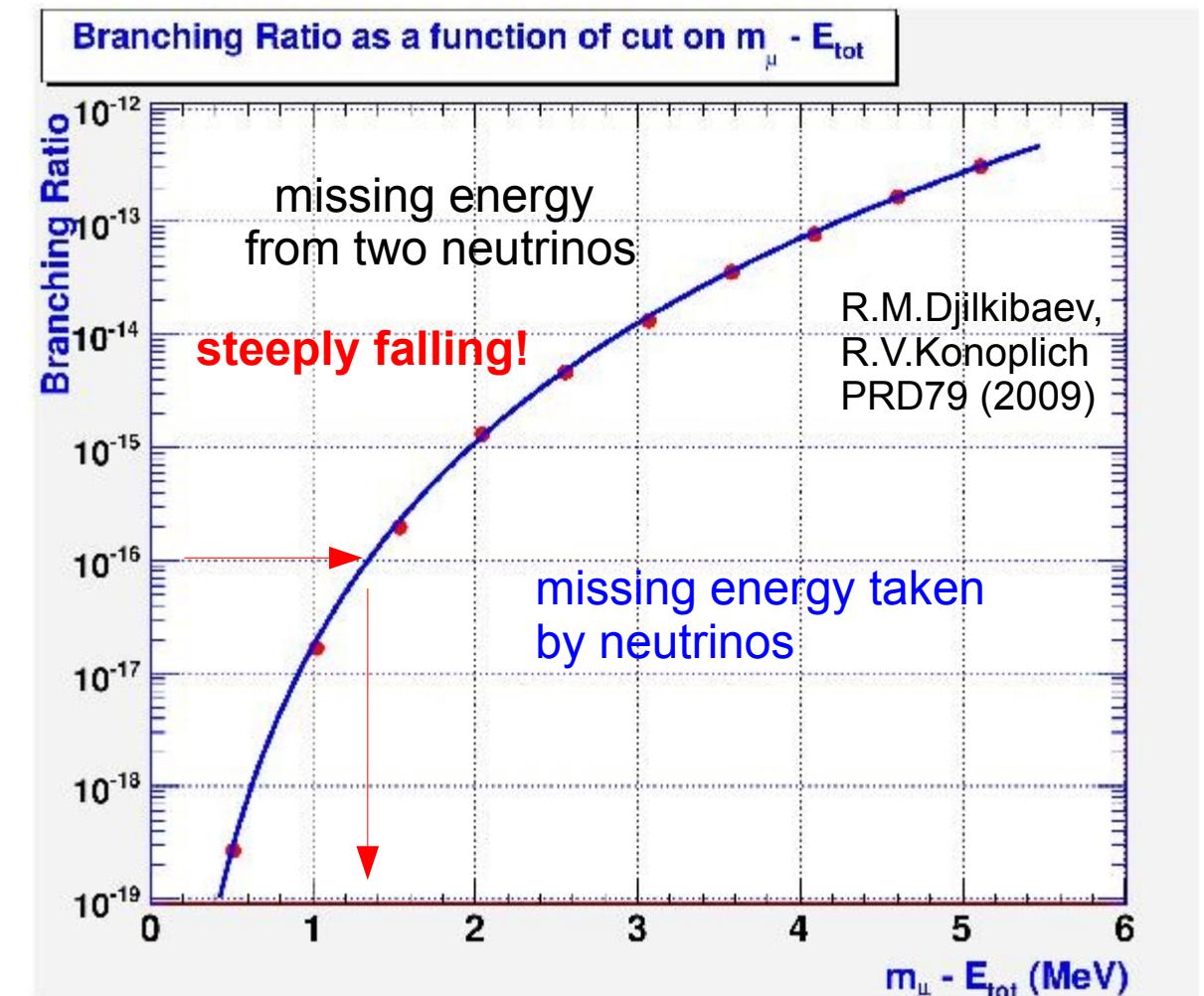
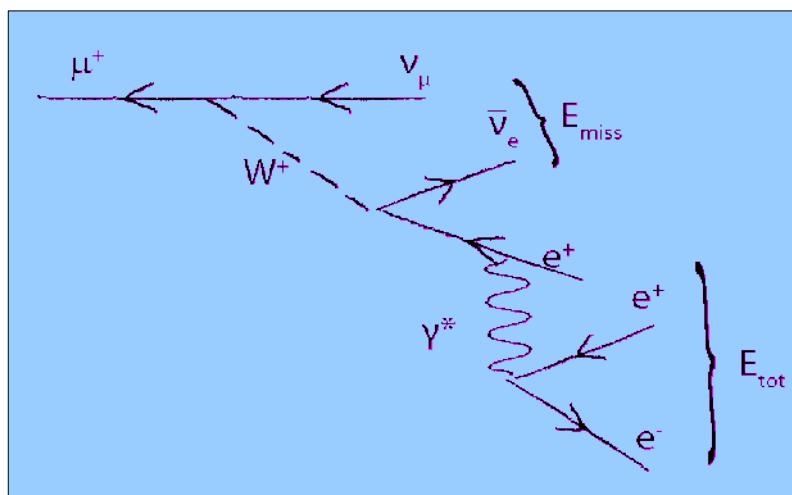


Irreducible Background

Radiative decay with internal conversion



$$B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^- \bar{\nu} \nu) = 3.4 \cdot 10^{-5}$$

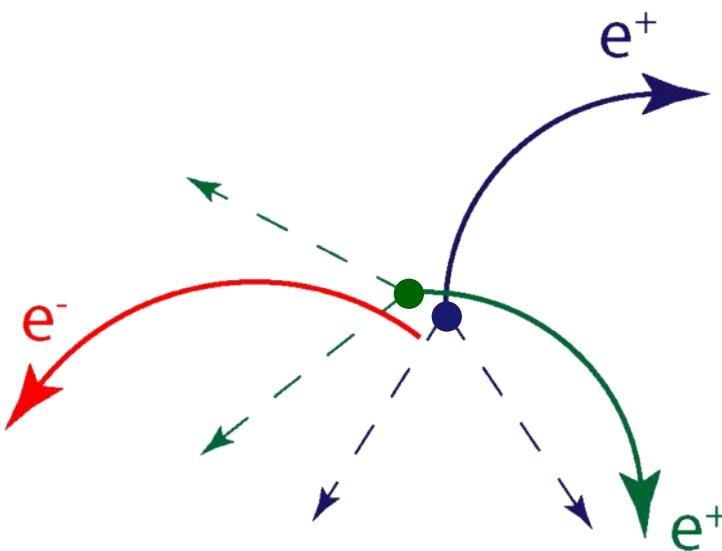


very good momentum +
total energy resolution required!



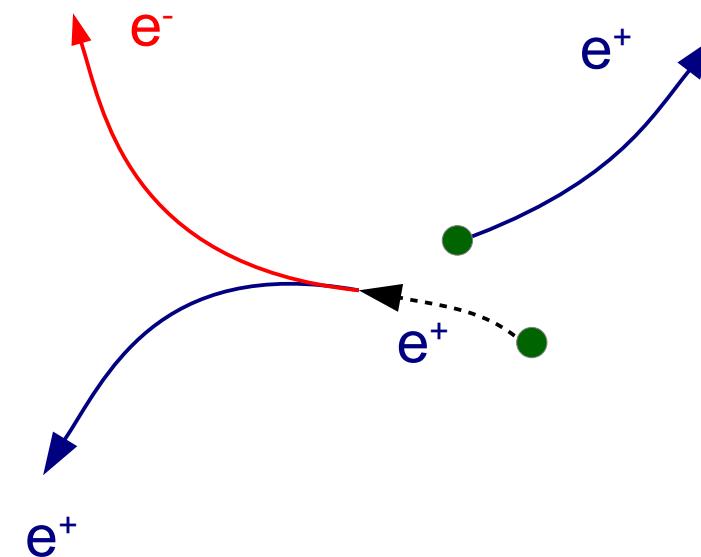
Accidental Backgrounds

- **Overlays** of two ordinary μ^+ decays with a (fake) electron (e^-)
- Electrons from: **Bhabha** scattering, photon conversion, mis-reconstruction



Need excellent:

- **Vertex resolution**
- **Timing resolution**
- **Kinematic reconstruction**



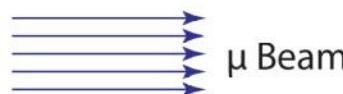
example for Bhabha pileup



Mu3e Design (Phase I)

10^8 muons per second (phase I)

$p=28 \text{ MeV}/c$

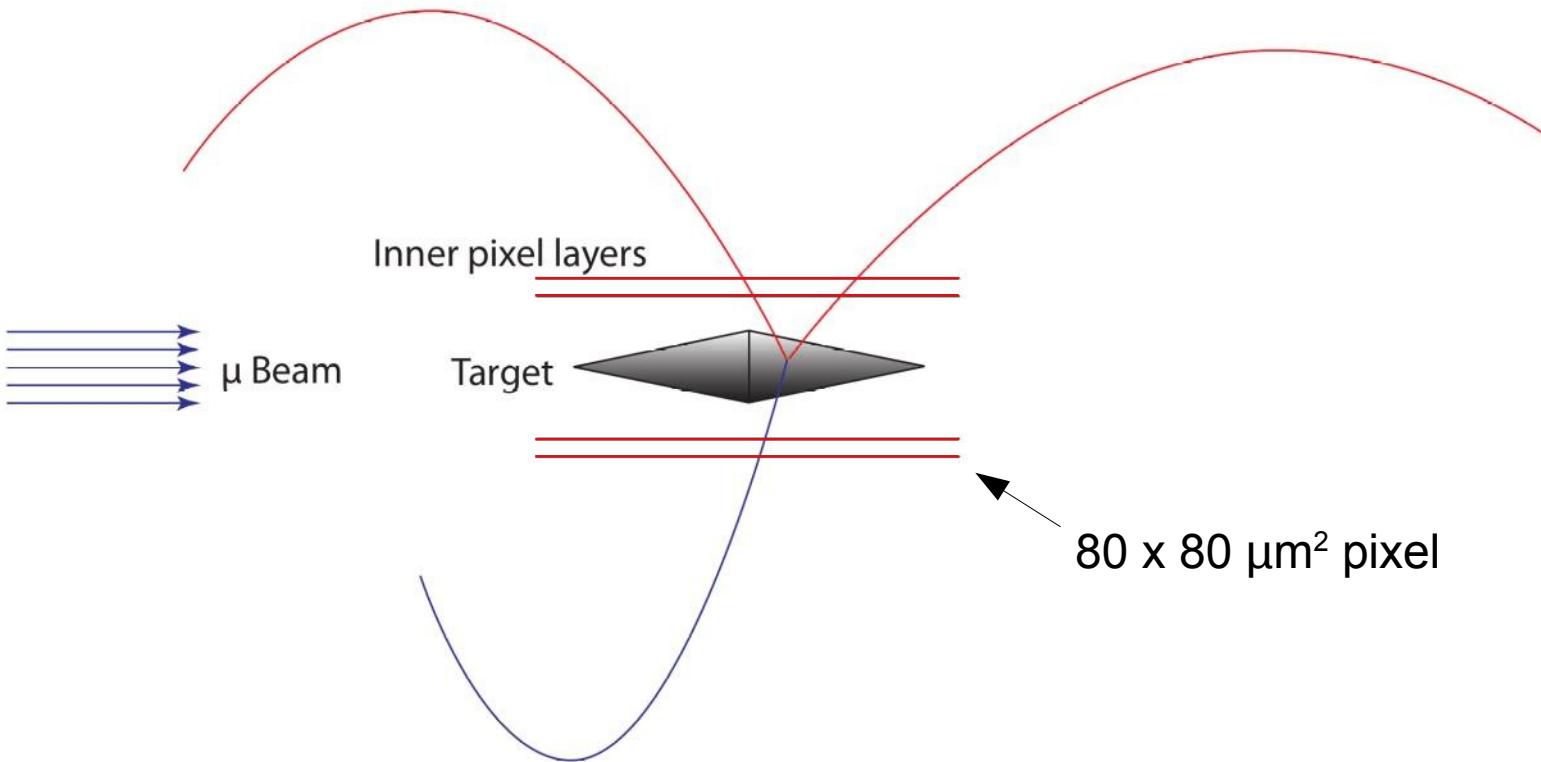


Target



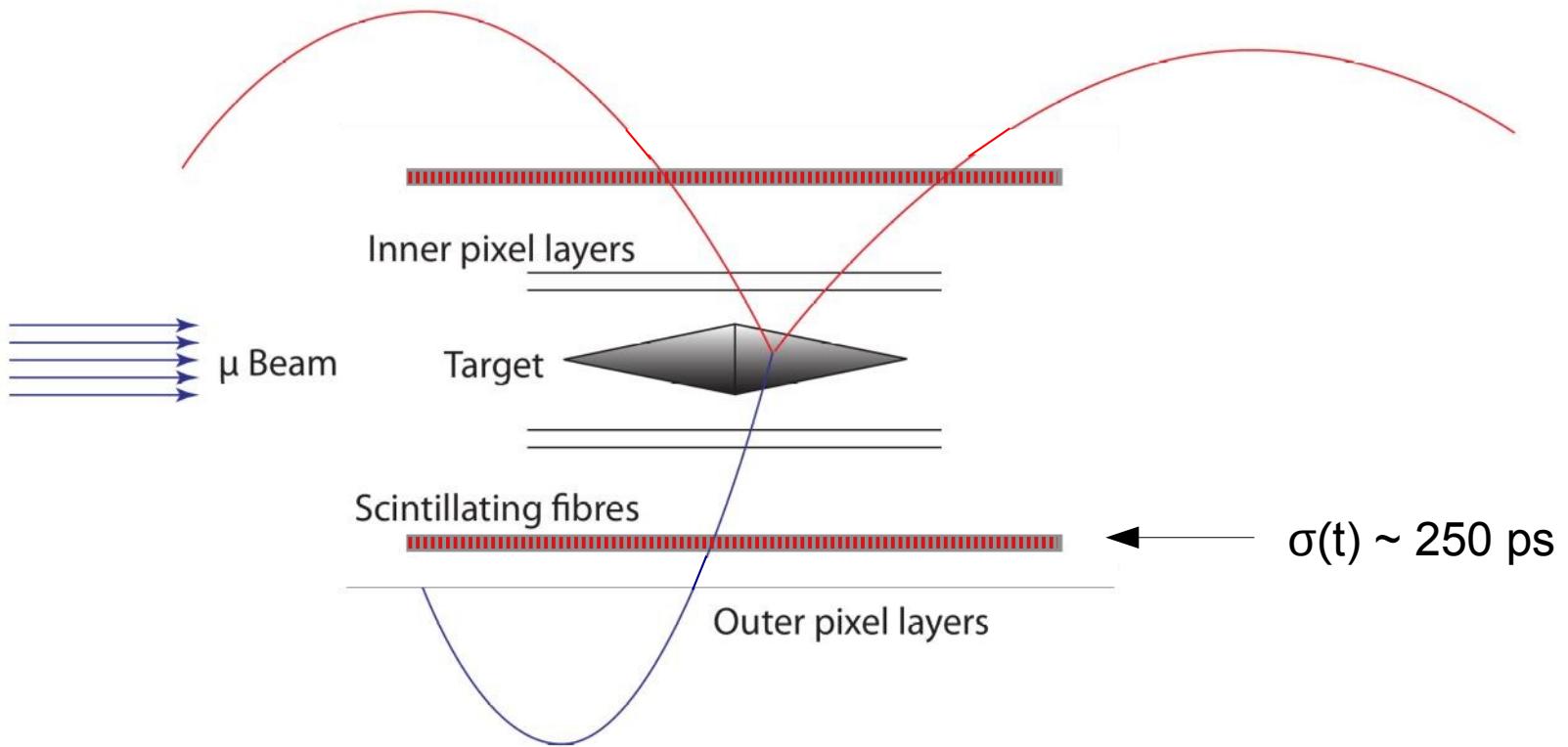
muon stopping target (hollow)

Mu3e Design (Phase I)



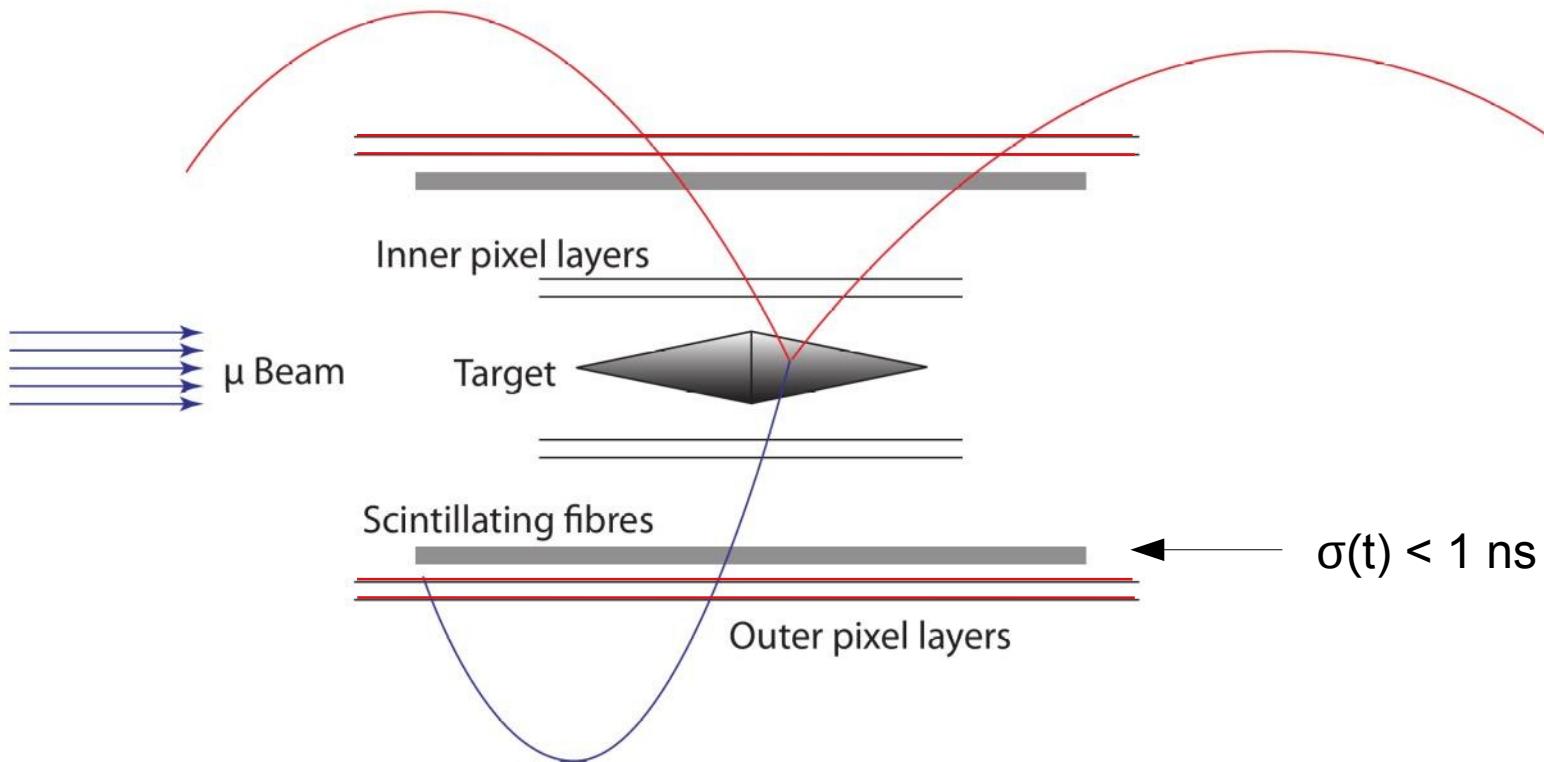
- ultra thin **silicon pixel detector** (HV-MAPS) with **1 per mill radiation length / layer** for vertexing

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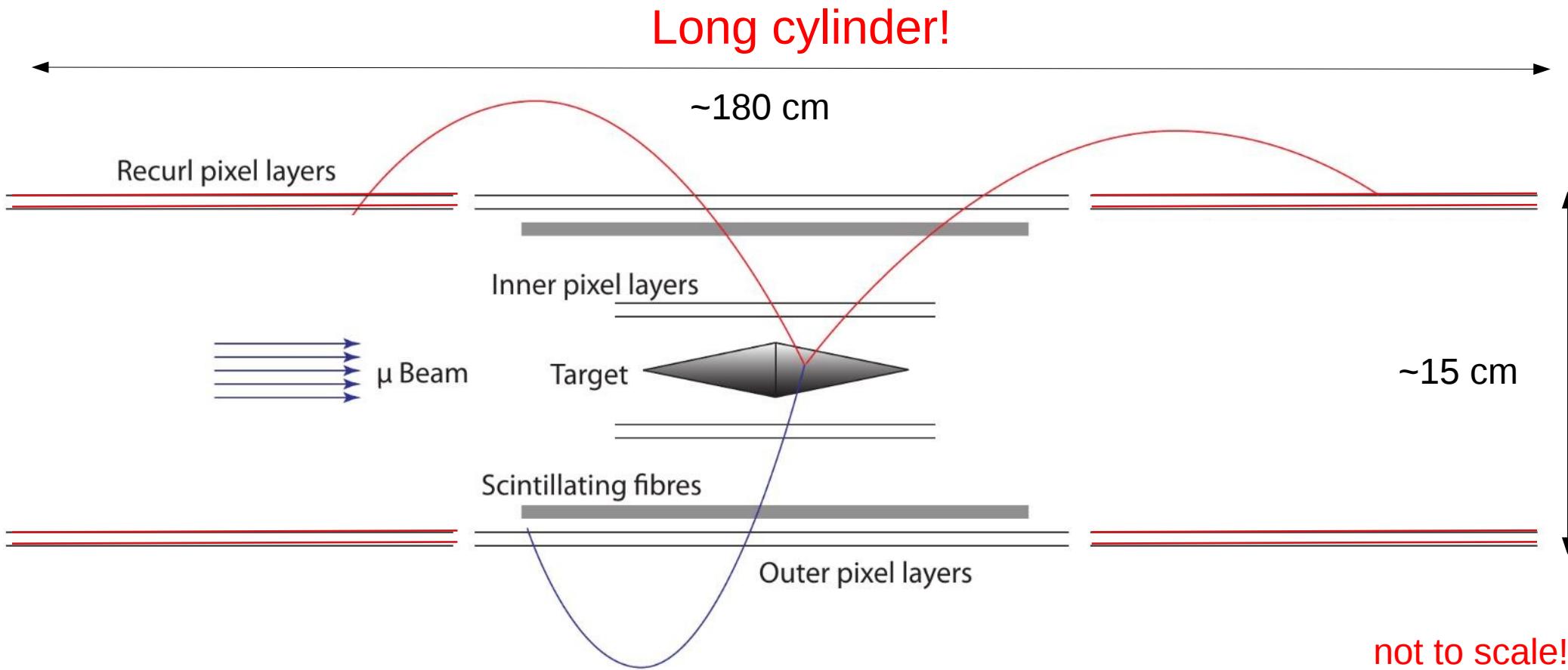
- fast timing detectors (**scintillating fibers**) → time coincidence

Mu3e Design (Phase I)



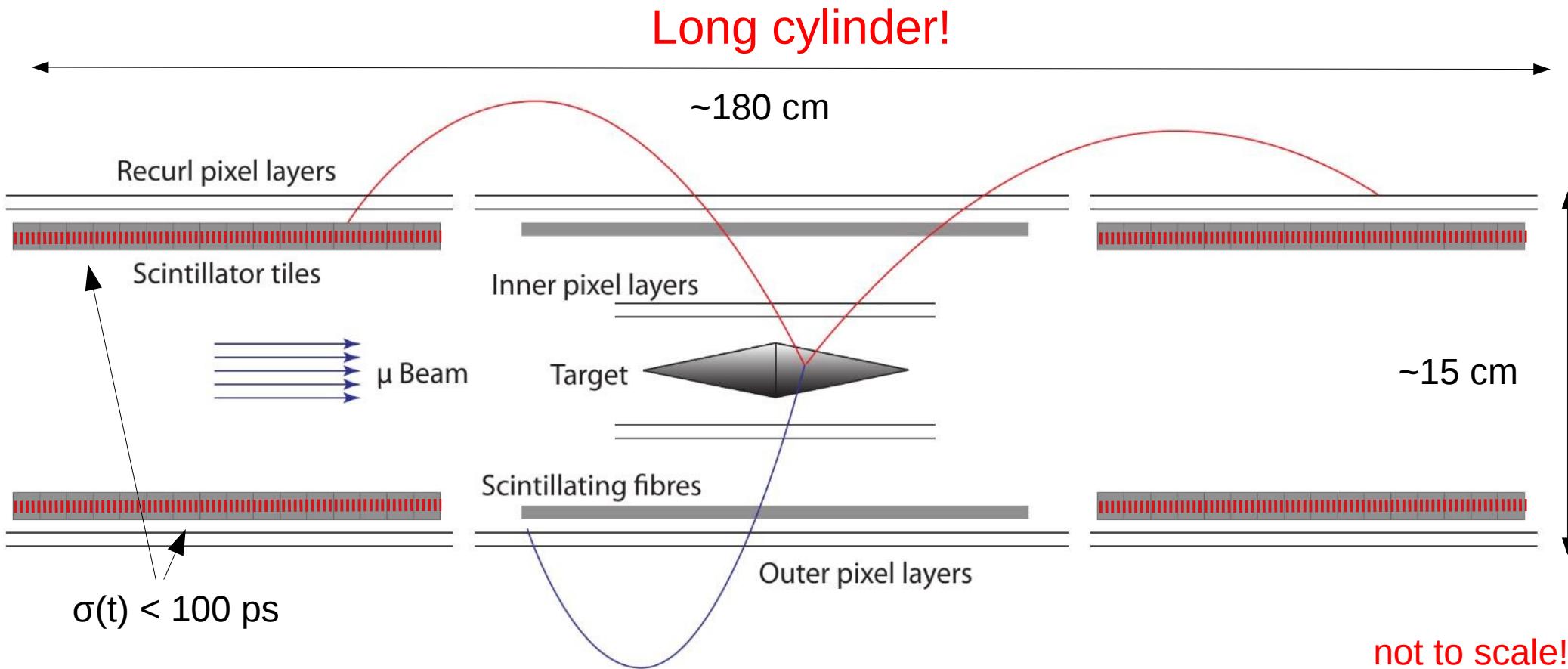
- ultra thin **silicon pixel detector** (HV-MAPS) with **1 per mill radiation length / layer** for outer tracking layers → momentum information

Mu3e Design (Phase I)



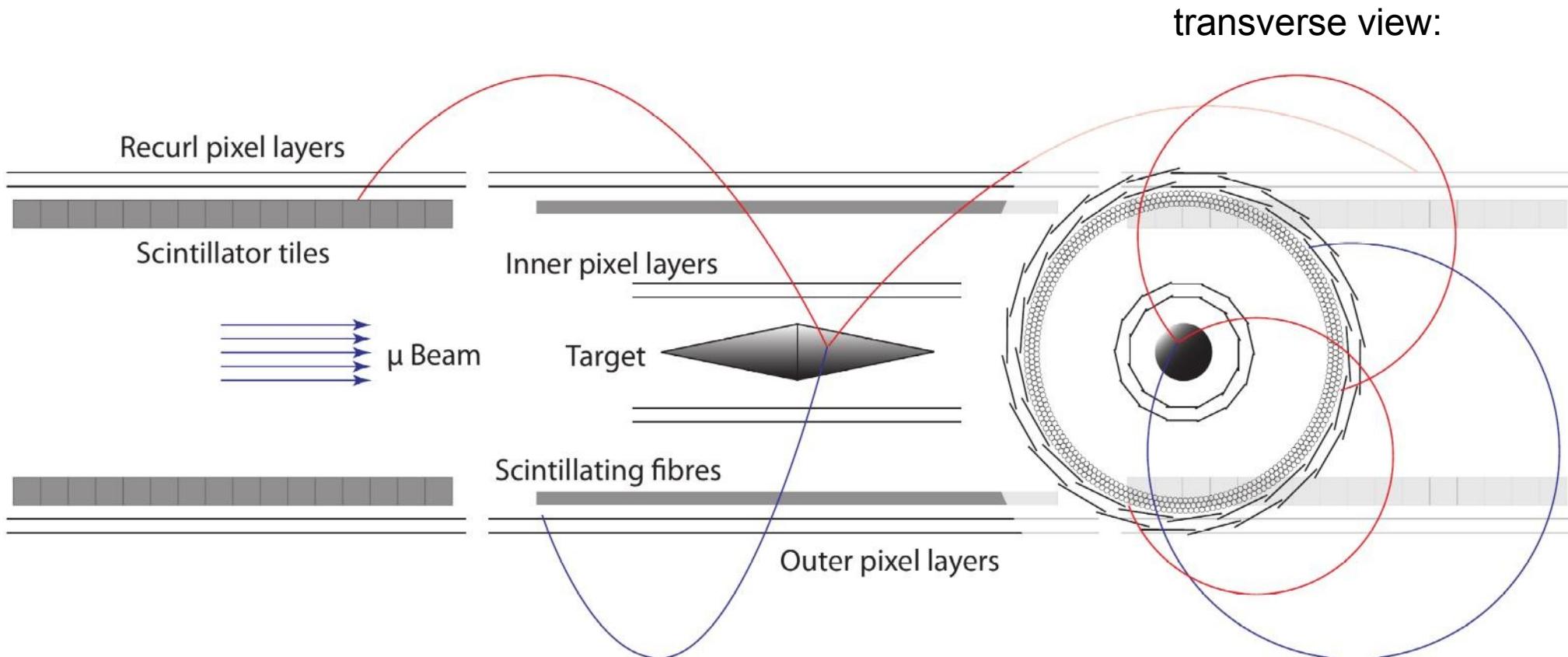
- **recurl** stations with **silicon pixel detector (HV-MAPS)** → increased acceptance

Mu3e Design (Phase I)



recurl stations with extra **scintillating tiles** → very precise timing

Mu3e Design (Phase I)

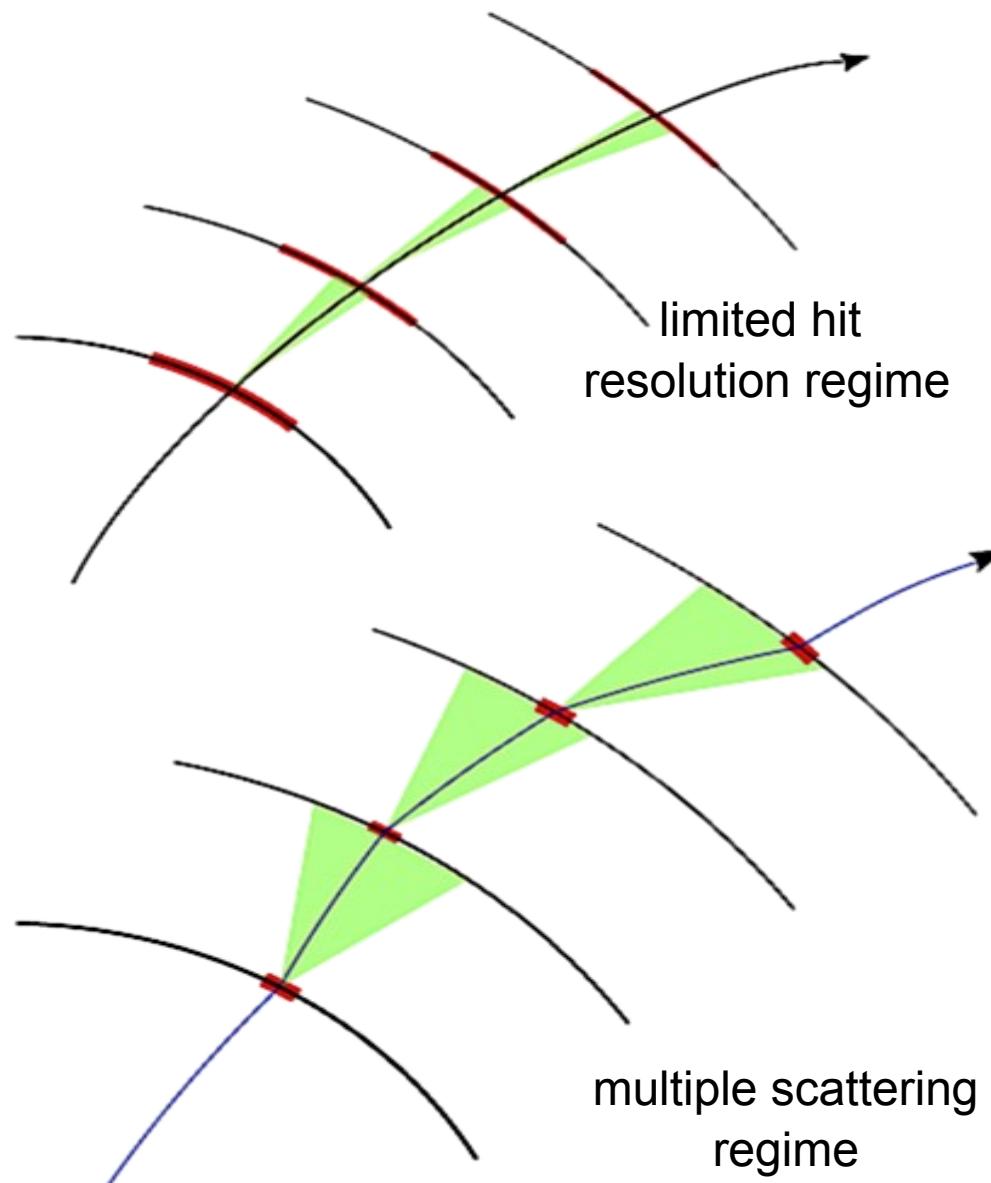


- + strong magnetic field ($B=1T$)
- + helium gas cooling

in helium atmosphere



Tracking Resolution + Multiple Scattering

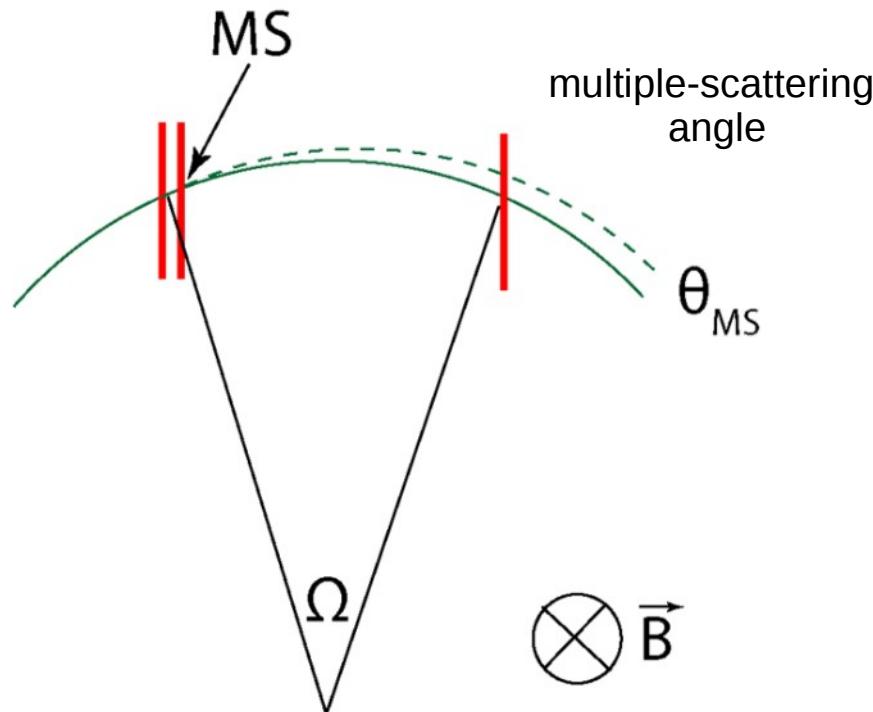


- Muon decay ($m=105.6$ MeV):
→ electrons in low momentum range
 $p < 53$ MeV/c
- Multiple scattering is dominant!
 - Need **thin, fast** and **high resolution** tracking detectors operated at **high rate** ($>10^9$ particles/s @ phase II)

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

Momentum Resolution

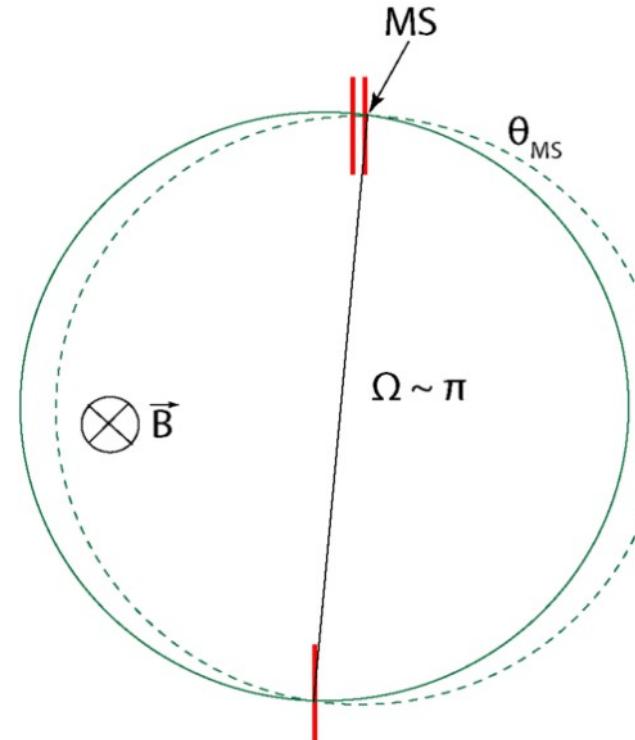
Standard spectrometer:



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

(linearised)

“Half turn” spectrometer:



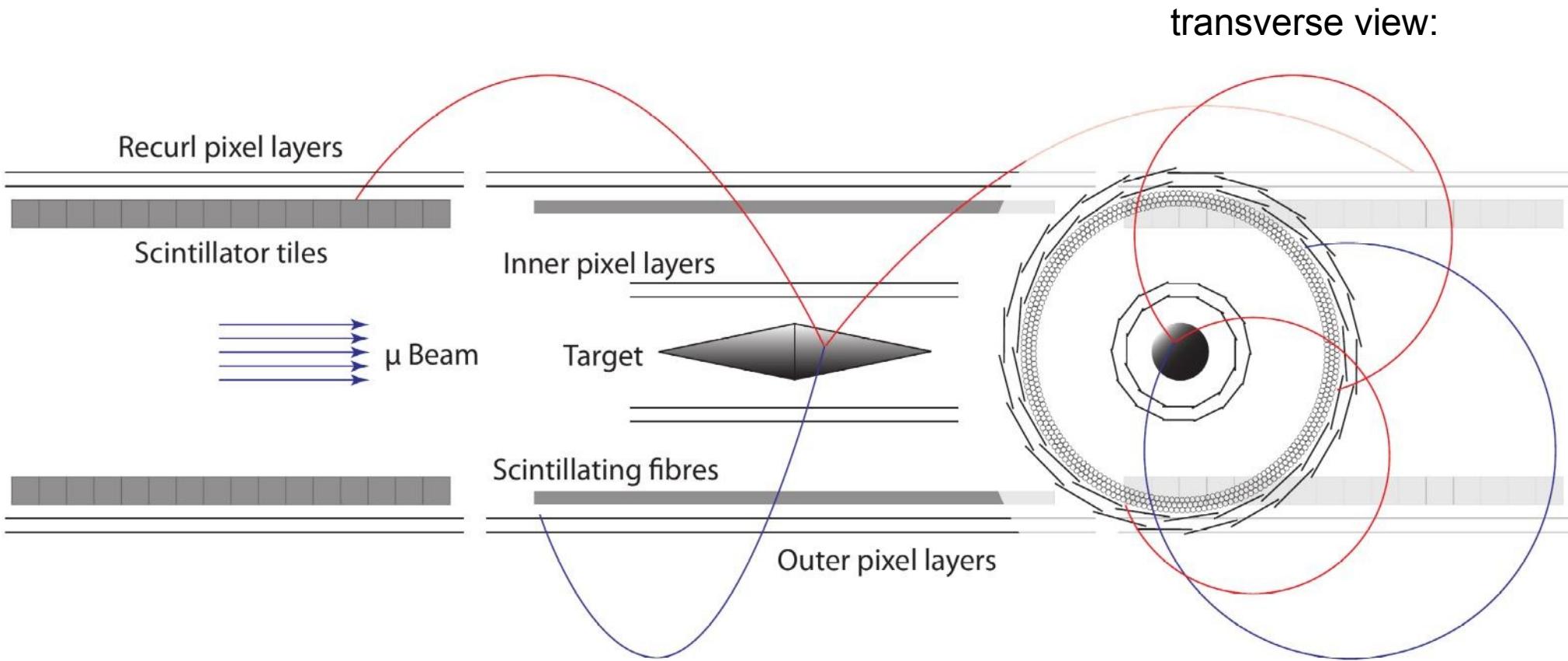
$$\frac{\sigma_p}{P} \sim O(\Theta_{MS}^2)$$

- requires large lever arm
- large bending angle Ω

- best precision for **half turn tracks**
- measure **recurlers**



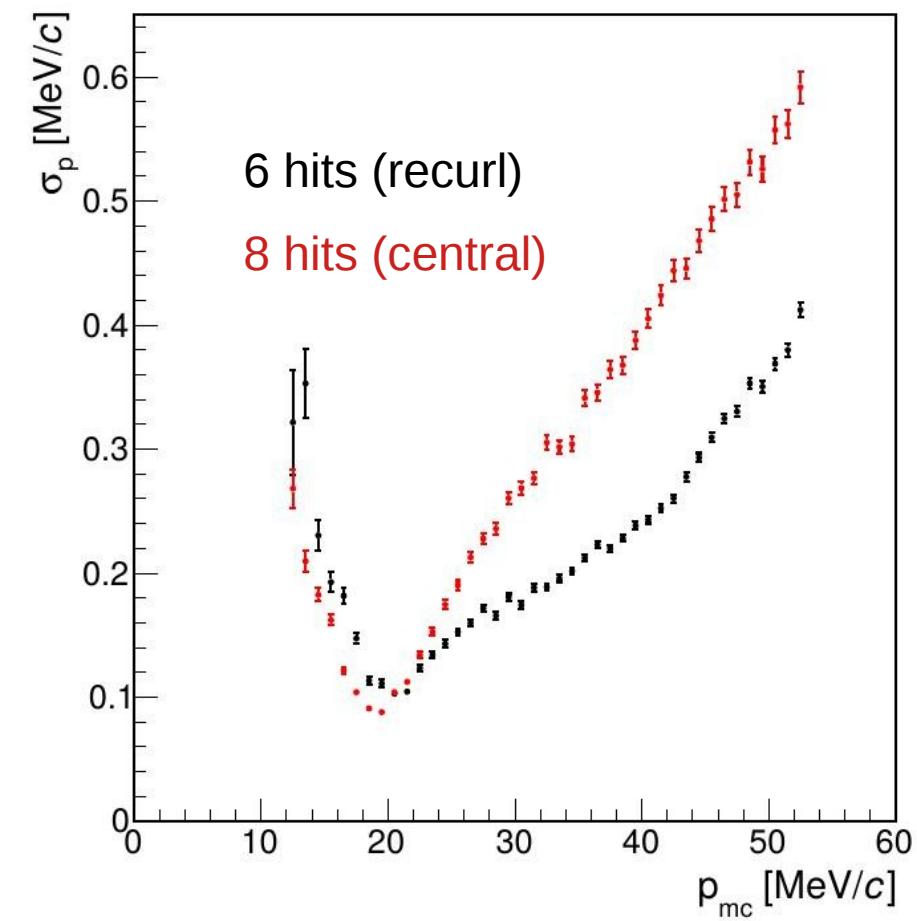
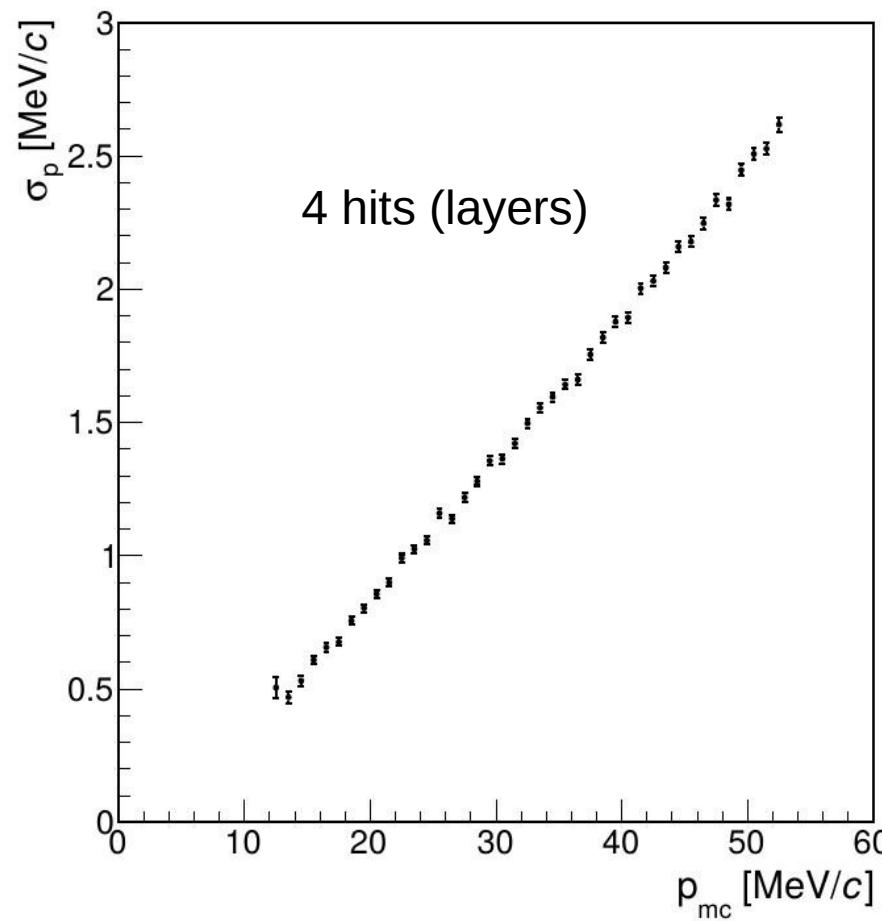
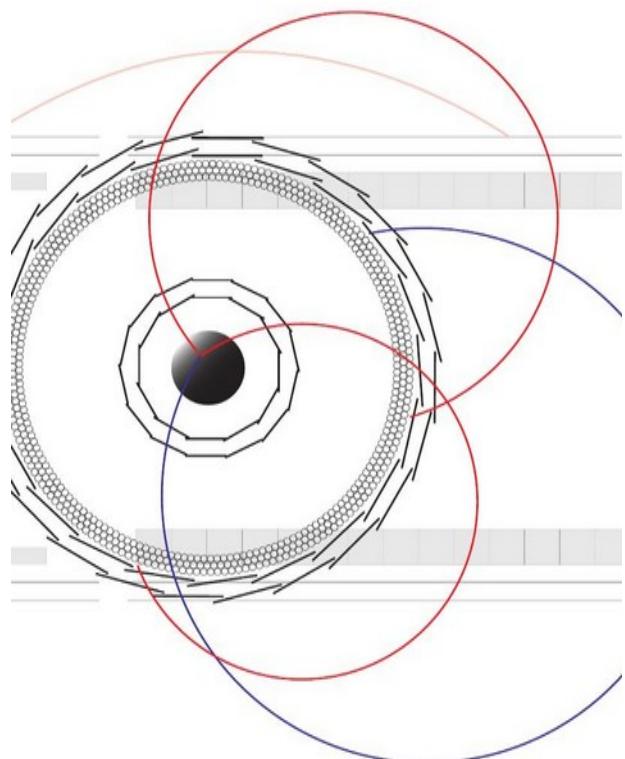
Mu3e Design (Phase I)



**electrons with $p \sim 33$ MeV/c
make roughly semi-circles!**

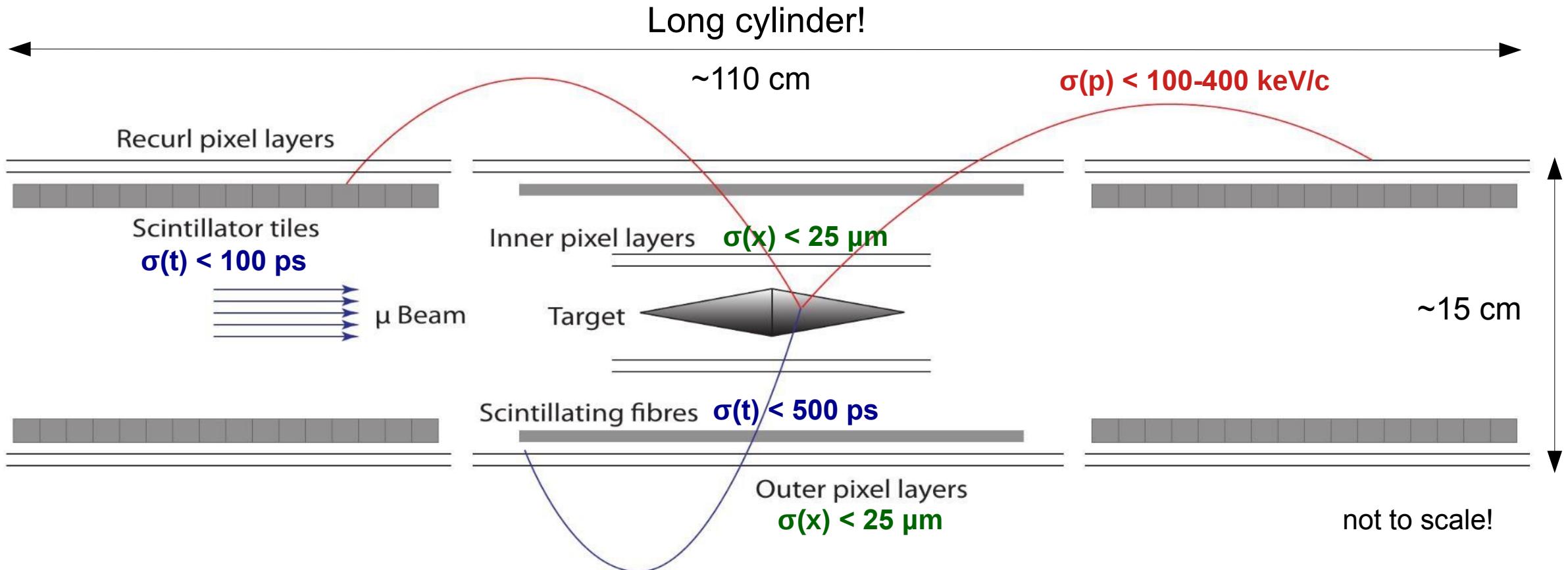


Momentum Resolution (Simulation)





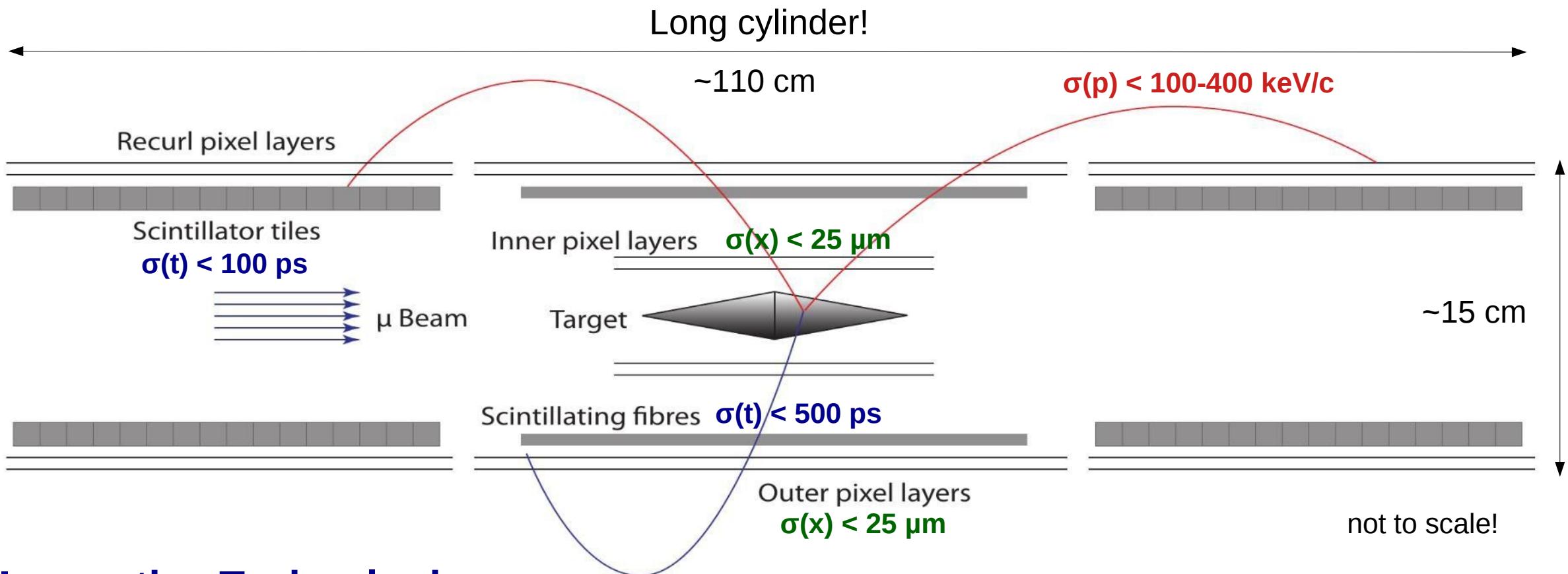
Mu3e Phase I Design



Technical Challenges:

- multiple Coulomb scattering → **ultra-thin** tracking layers
- high particles **rates** → **highly granular** detectors and **fast online reconstruction**
- **compact** design → **high integration** level (sensors, readout ASICs)

Mu3e Phase I Design



Innovative Technologies:

- High Voltage Monolithic Active Pixel Sensors (**HV-MAPS**) for tracking
- **gaseous helium cooling** system ($<400 \text{ mW/cm}^2$) and ultra-thin pixel modules ($0.1 \% X_0$)
- **MuTrig** readout ASIC for timing detectors with $\sim 30 \text{ ps}$ time resolution
- Online filter farm based on **Graphical Processing Units**

Paul-Scherrer Institute (CH)



High intensity Proton Accelerator (HiPA) → 2.4 mA protons at 590 MeV (1.5 MW)

Muon Beam:

- World's most intense continuous muon beam
 - Low momentum muons ~**28 MeV/c**
 - PiE5 beamline shared between **MEGII** and **Mu3e**
- expect **$1.4 \cdot 10^8 \mu^+/s$** at $I_p = 2.4 \text{ mA}$
- about **half is stopped** on μ -stopping target

→ Mu3e Phase I

PiE5: Compact Muon Beamline for Mu3e





Mu3e Collaboration

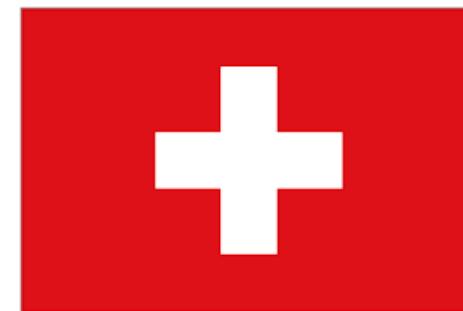
Germany

- University Heidelberg (KIP)
- University Heidelberg (PI)
- Karlsruhe Institute of Technology
- University Mainz



Switzerland

- University of Geneva
- Paul Scherrer Institute
- ETH Zurich
- University Zurich
- [University of Applied Sciences Northwestern Switzerland]
associated partner



United Kingdom

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- Liverpool
- Oxford
- UC London

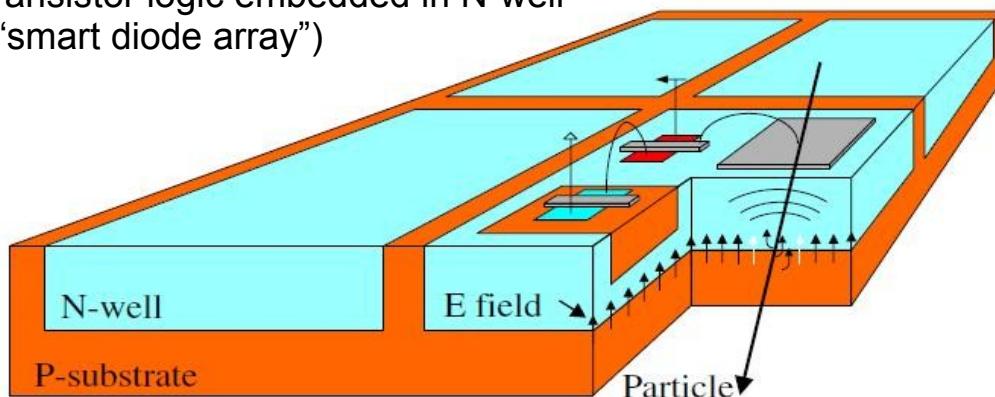


about 70 members; ~15 PhD students

HV-MAPS Detector Technology

High Voltage-Monolithic Active Pixel Sensor (HV-MAPS)

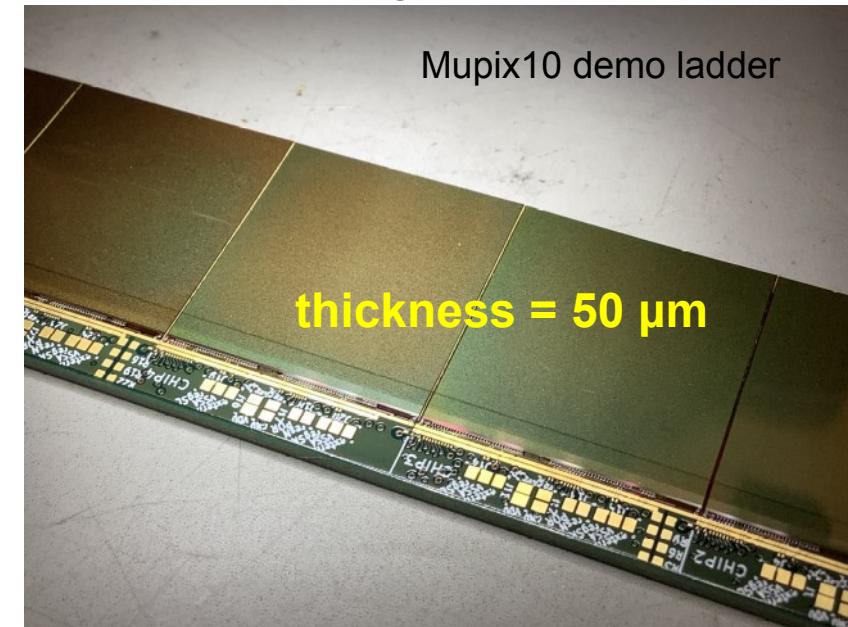
transistor logic embedded in N-well
("smart diode array")



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

- **active sensor:**
→ hit finding + digitisation + readout
- HV-CMOS 180nm: **60-120 V**
- low cost process (AMS, TSI)
- thinned to ~**50 µm** ($\sim 0.0005 X_0$)

MuPix10 prototype ladder



sensor: $20 \times 20 \text{ mm}^2$ pixel: $80 \times 80 \mu\text{m}^2$

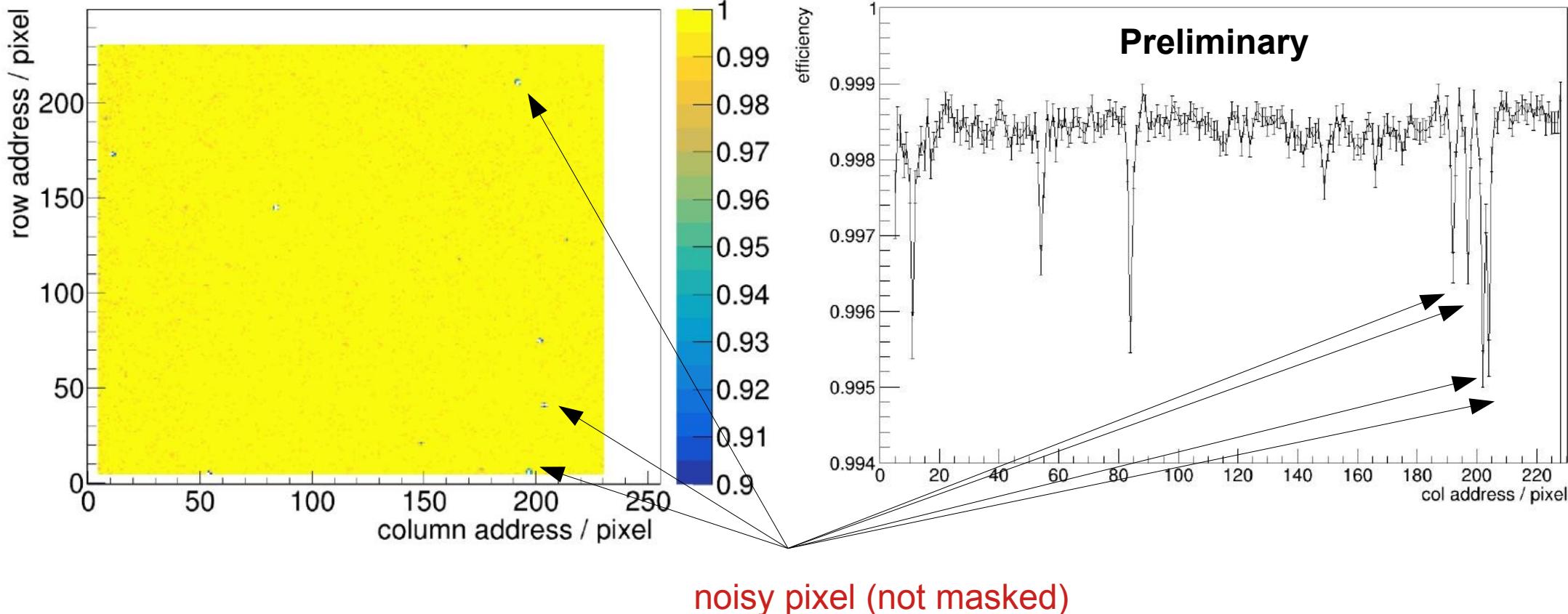
MuPix prototypes characterized in lab and in several test beams

- efficiency (>99%) & noise
- time resolution (<20 ns)
- high rates (radiation hardness)
- temperature-dependence
 - specifications fulfilled



Preliminary Mupix10 Efficiency (PSI)

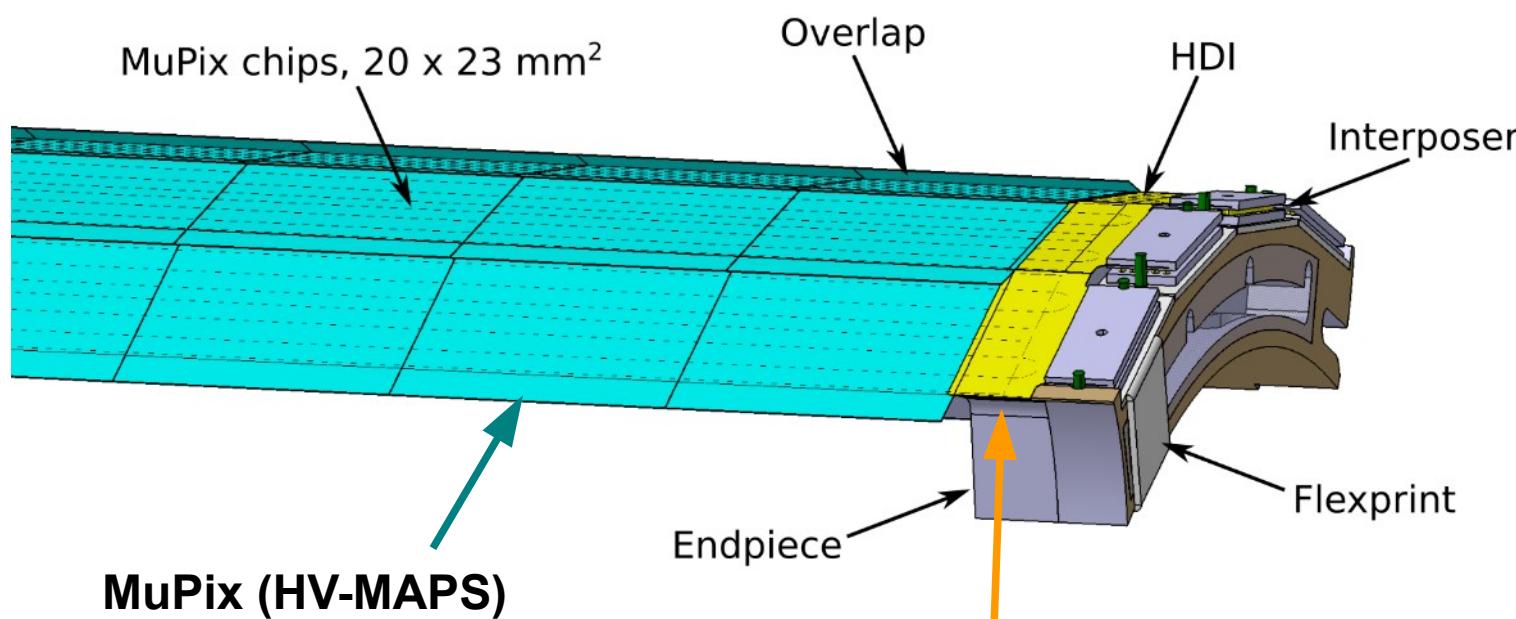
- threshold 42mV ($\sim 670 e^-$)
- average efficiency $\sim 99.85\%$ (noise & rate dependent \rightarrow dead time)
- no pixels masked!
- no TDAC tuning of individual pixels
- O(10) noisy pixel out of 64000 \rightarrow lead to some deadtime losses



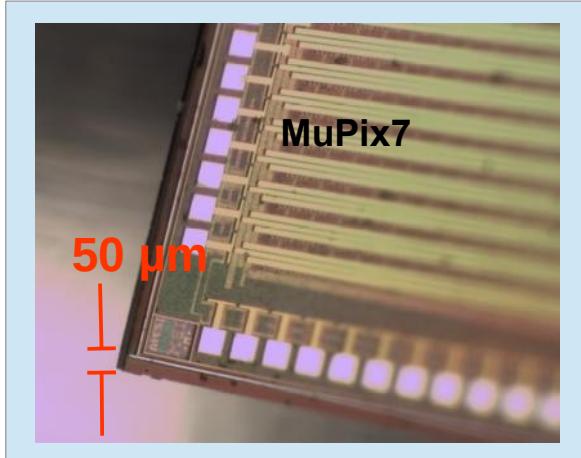


Pixel Tracking Detector

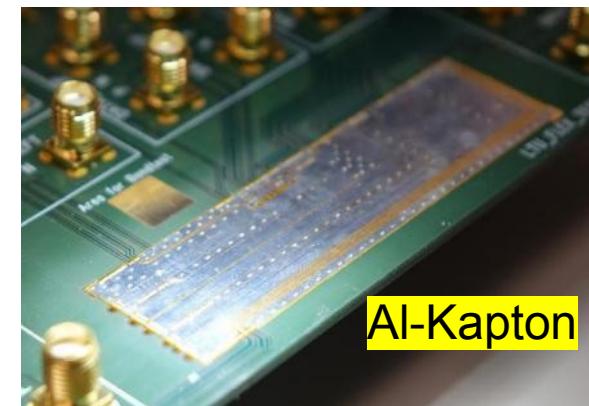
Ultra-thin pixel sensor modules ($X/X_0 = 1.15$ per mille)



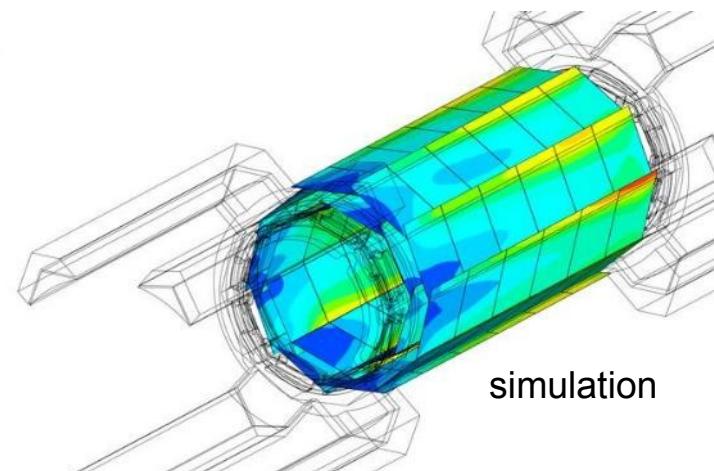
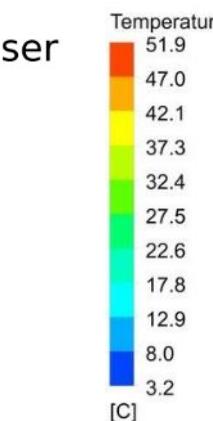
MuPix (HV-MAPS)



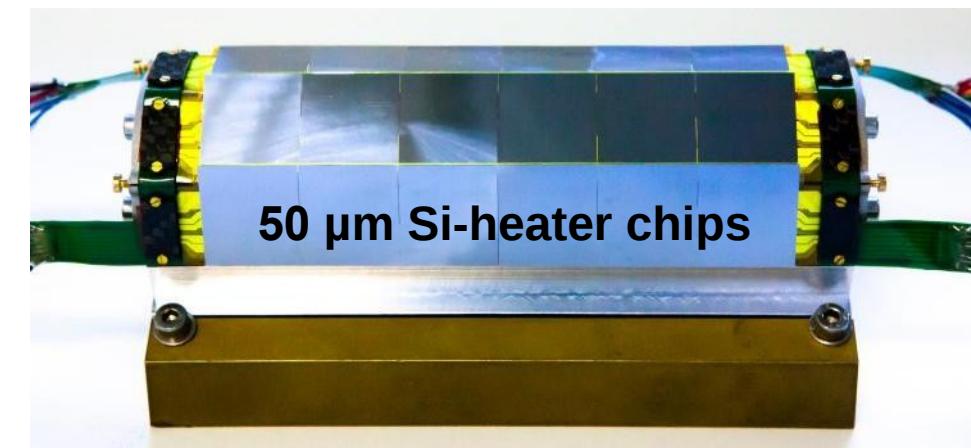
Monolithic pixel sensor in
180 nm HV-CMOS



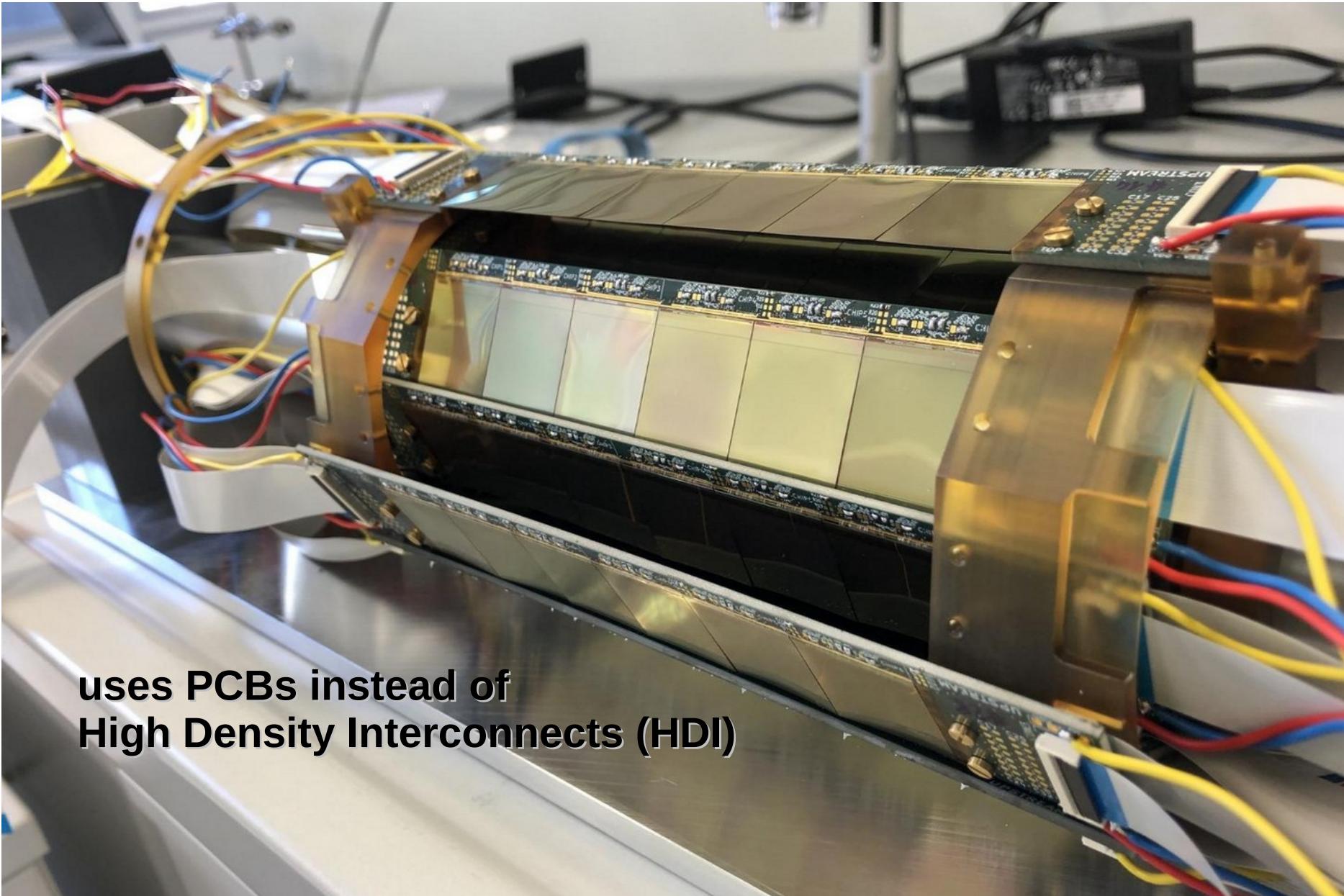
Gaseous He-Cooling System



Thermo-Mechanical Mockup (vertex)



Pixel Tracking Detector Prototype





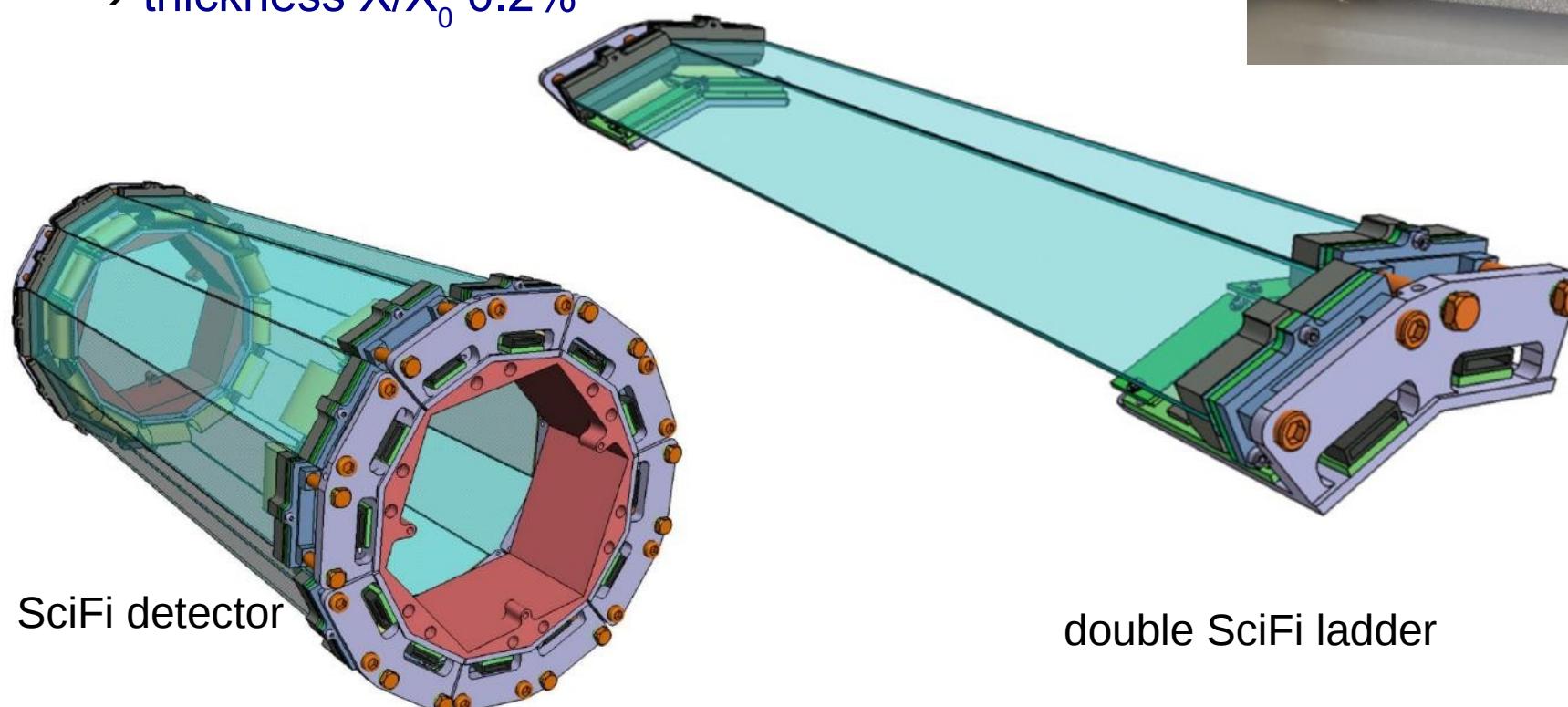
Scintillating Fibres

Scintillating Fibre Detector

- Scintillating fibres: Kuraray SCSF-78MJ (multi-clad)
- SiPM Hamamatsu S13552-HRQ
- MuTrig TDC ASIC (Heidelberg-KIP) for readout
 - very challenging space constraints
 - time resolution ~ 250 ps
 - thickness $X/X_0 0.2\%$

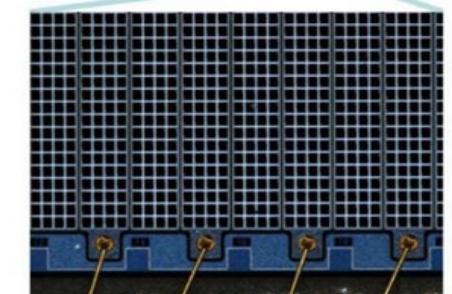
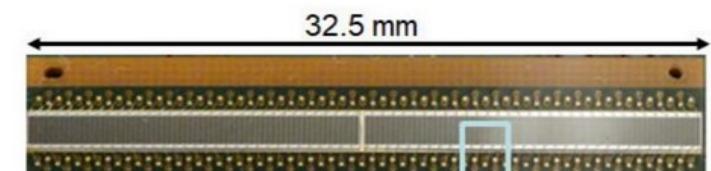


prototype ladder



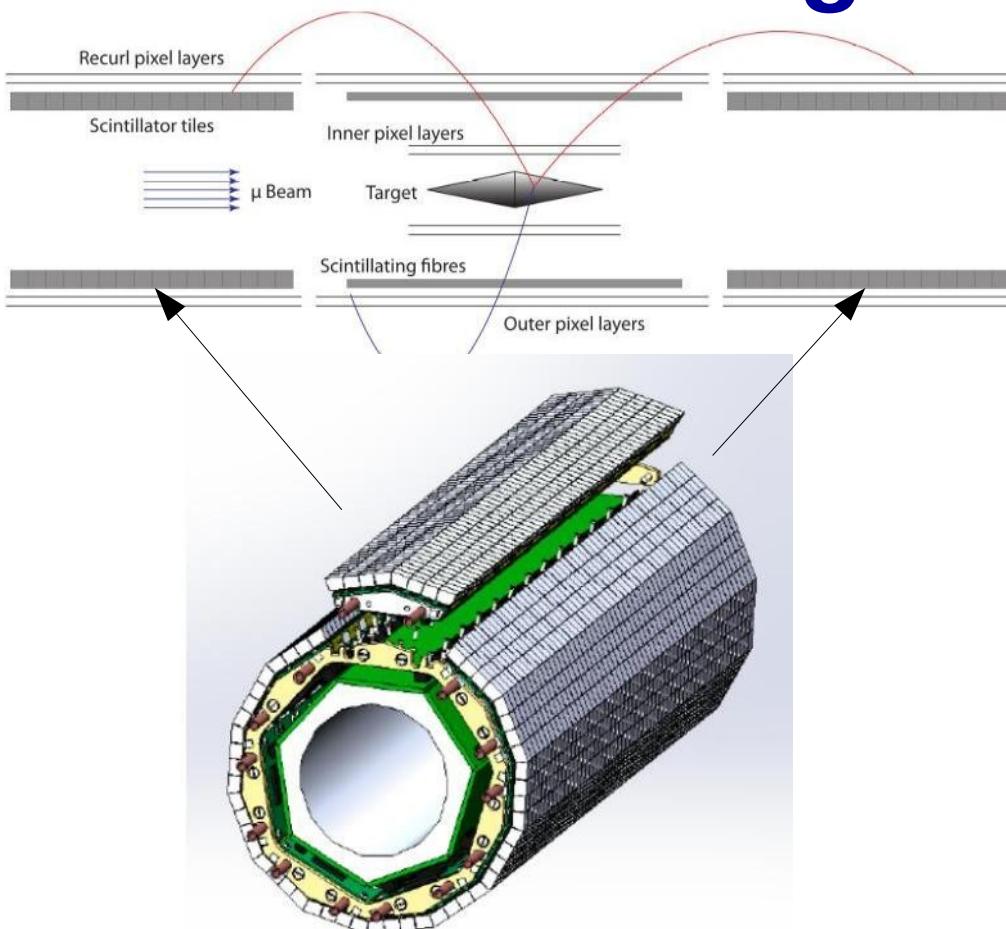
SciFi detector

double SciFi ladder



Hamamatsu S13552-HRQ

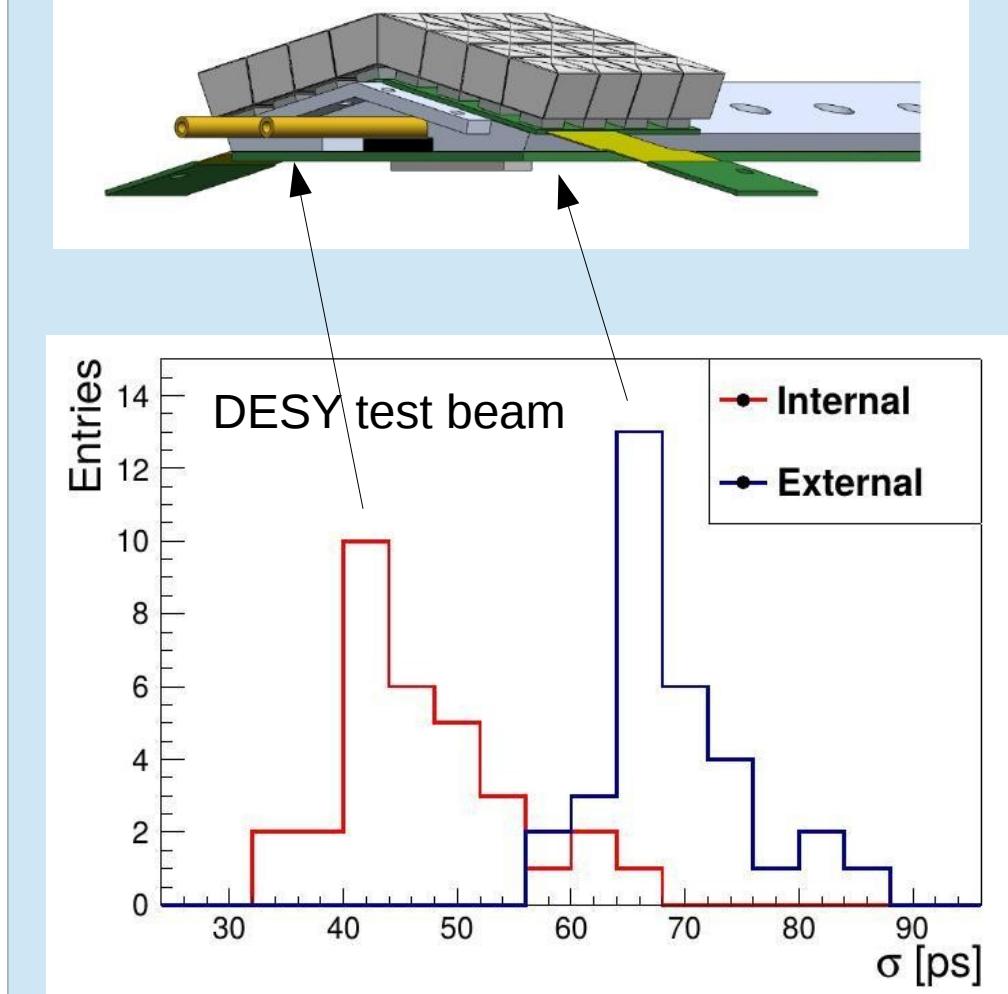
Scintillating Tiles Timing Detectors



Scintillating Tiles

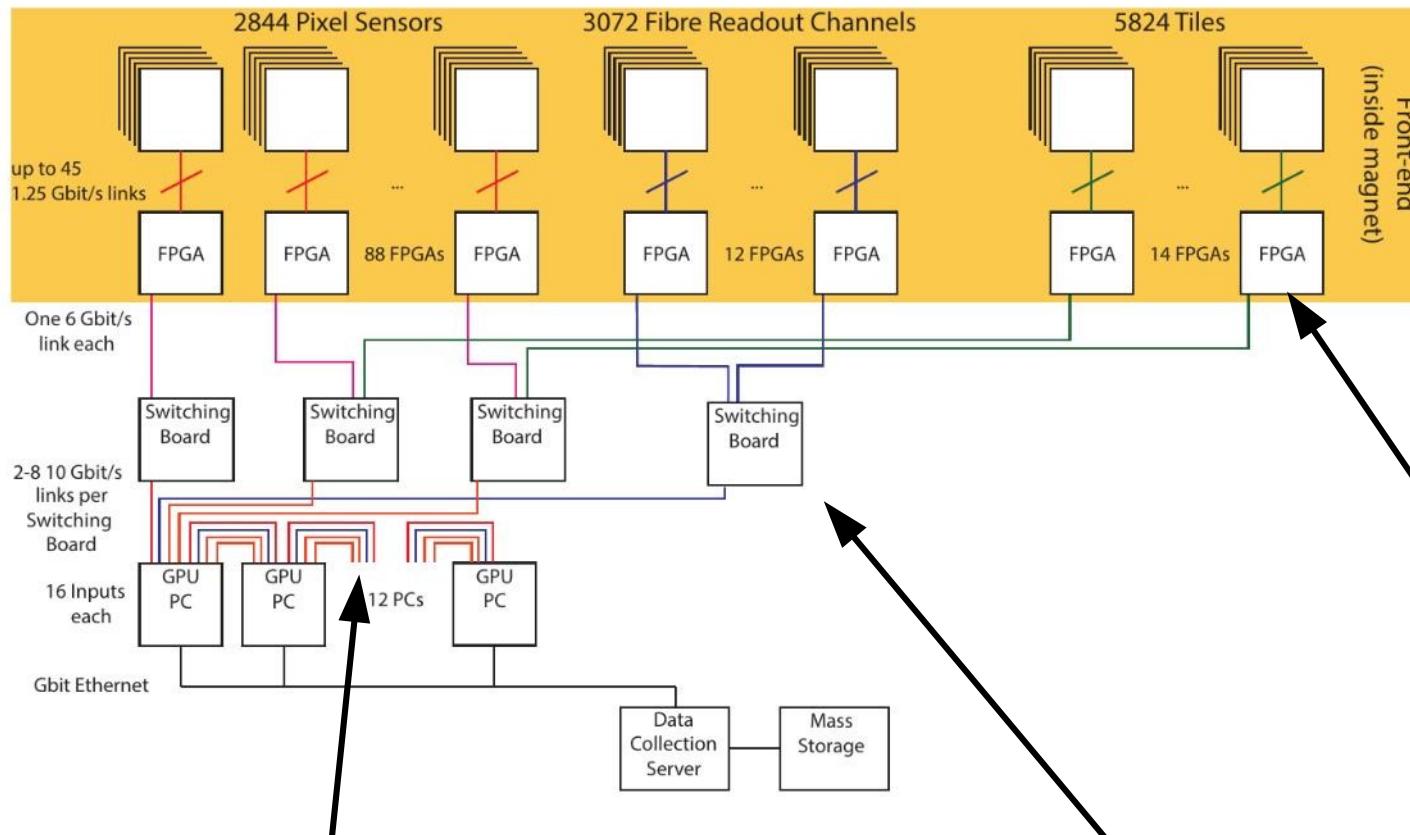
- tiles $\sim 6.5 \times 6.5 \times 5\text{mm}^3$
- SiPM $3 \times 3\text{ mm}^2$
- Readout with MuTrig ASIC (Heidelberg-KIP)
- time resolution $< 100\text{ps}$

Scintillating Tile Sub-Module

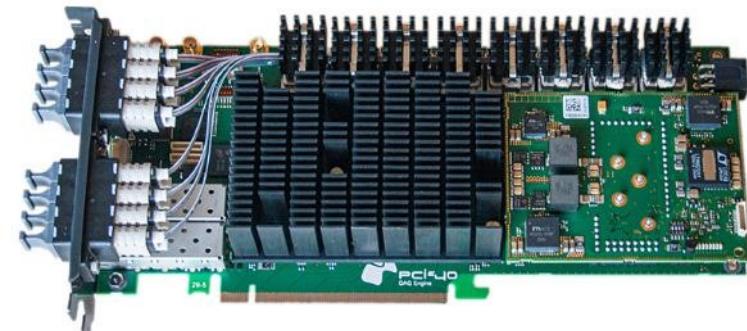


Time resolution $< 100\text{ps}$

Data Acquisition and Filter Farm



DE5aNet Receiving Board (Arria 10)



“Switching Board” PCIe40 (from CPPM)

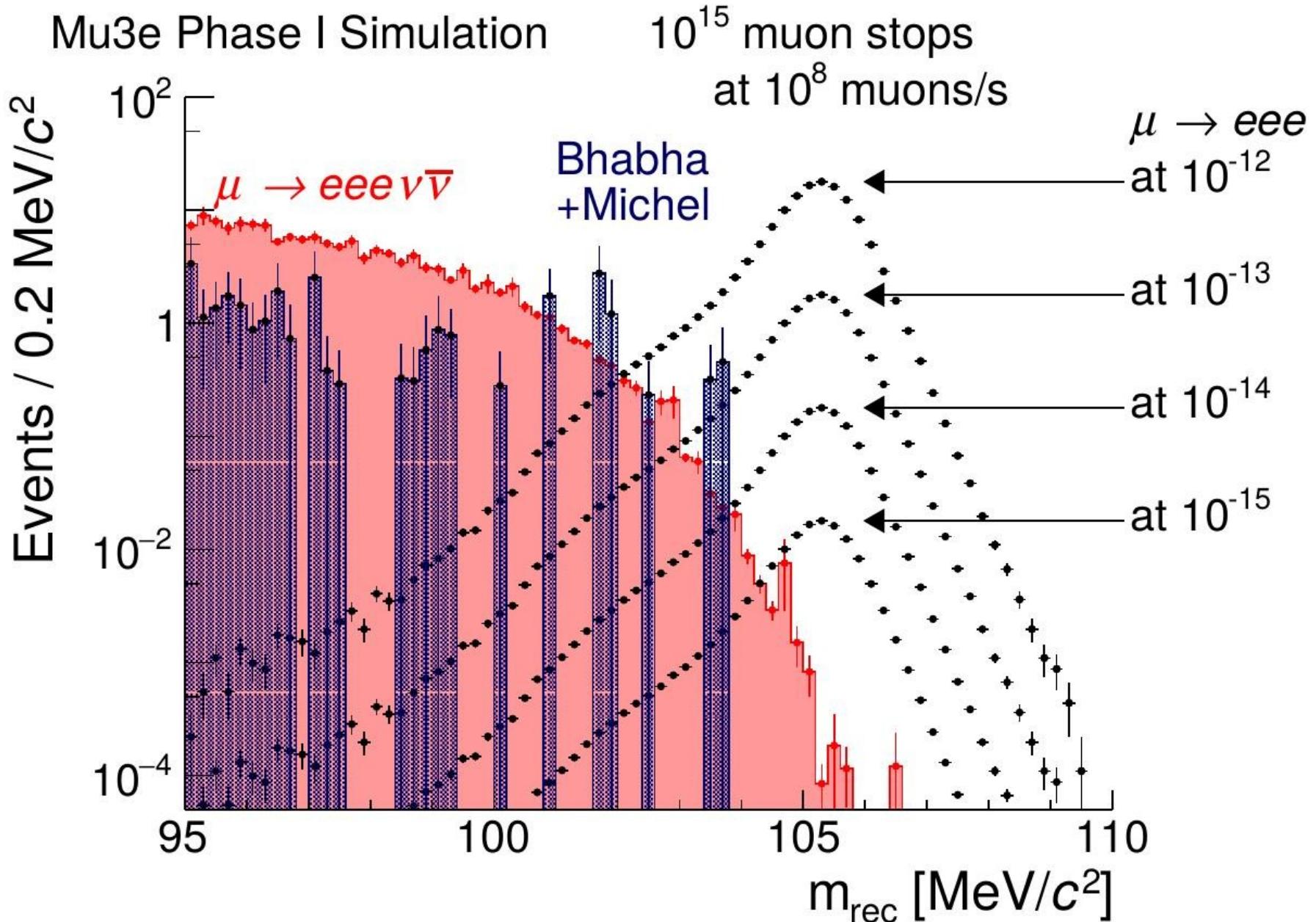
- Continuous readout with frontend zero-suppression
- Online track reconstruction based on new multiple scattering fit (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1606.04990>)
- Filter farm based on NVIDIA GPUs
- DAQ hardware is ready!
- hard working on firmware and SW



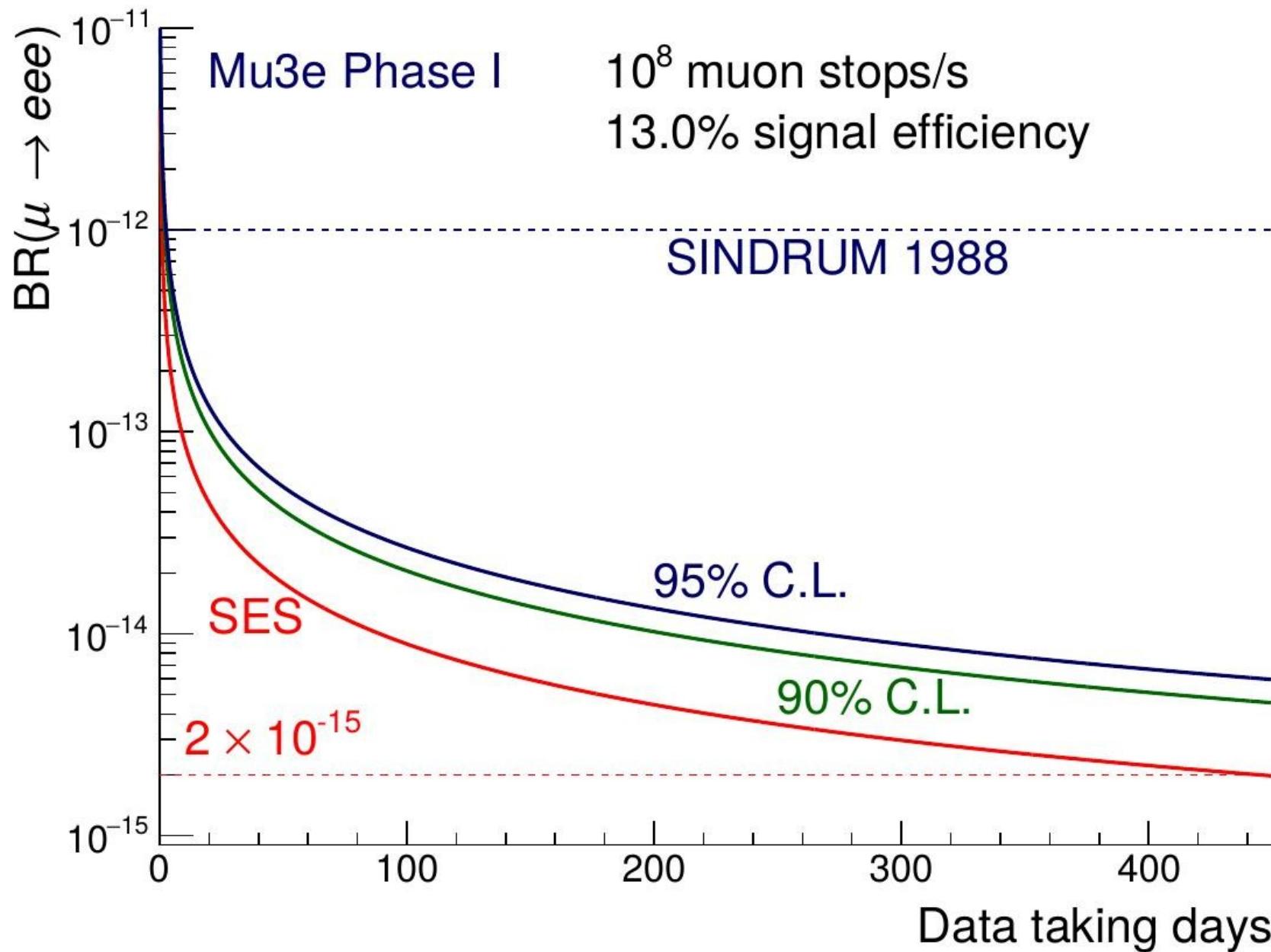
Mu3e Frontend Board with Arria V FPGA (inside the magnet)



Mu3e Mass Plot (Simulation)

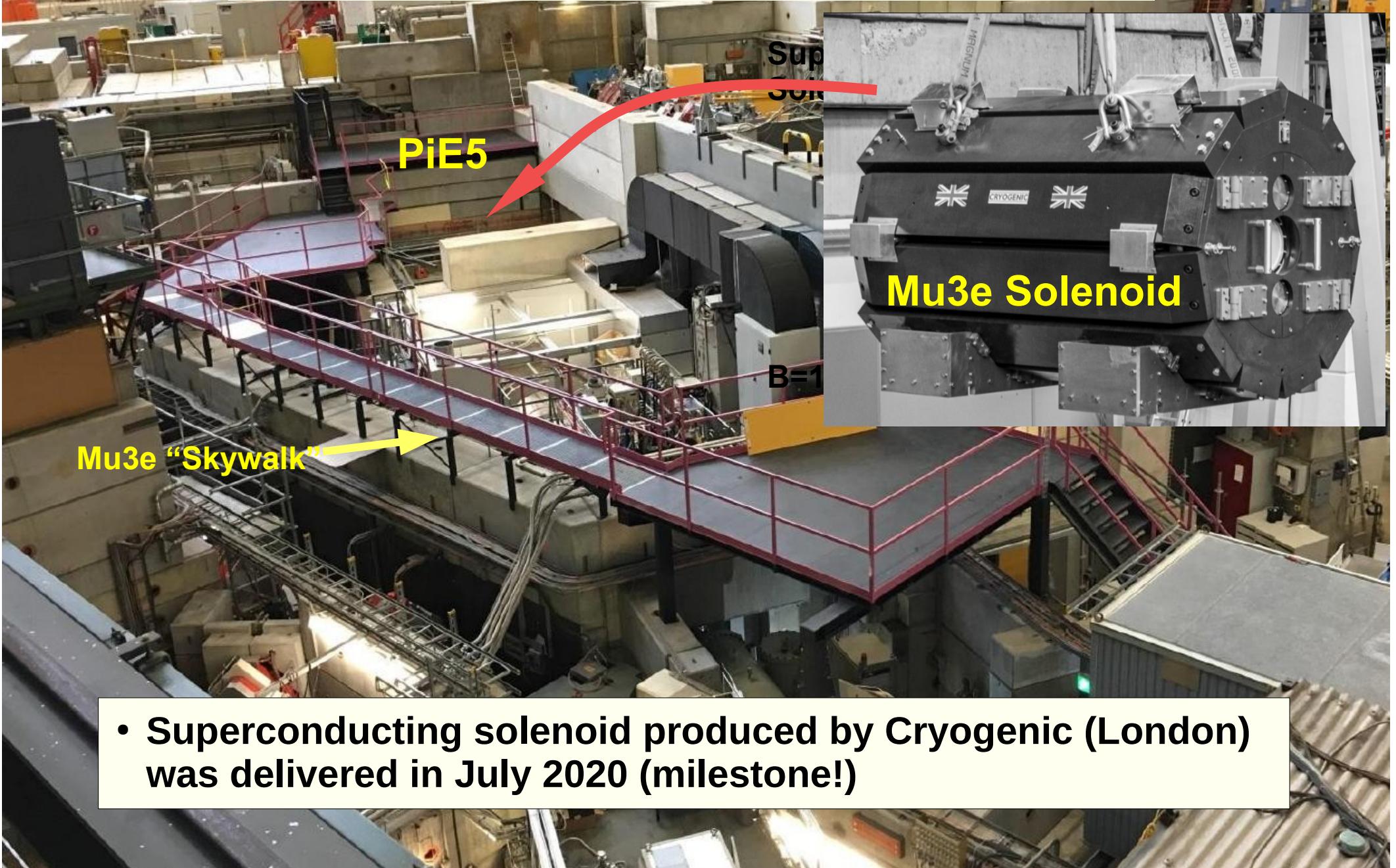


Expecte Sensitivity versus Time

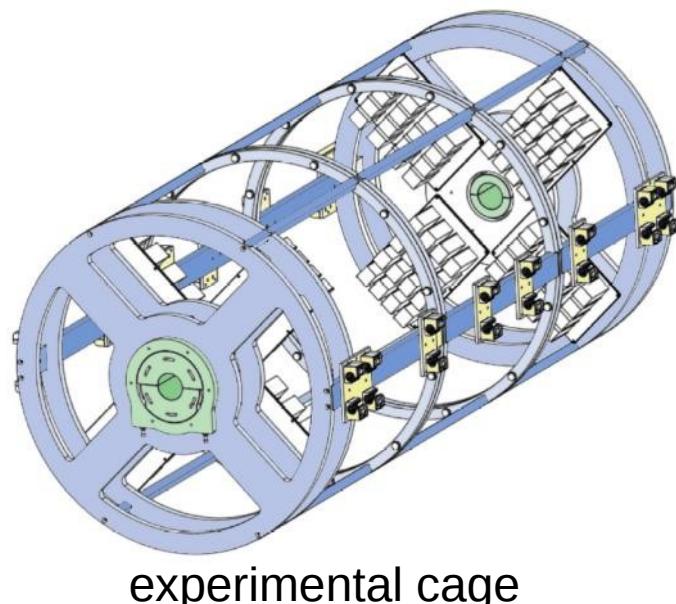
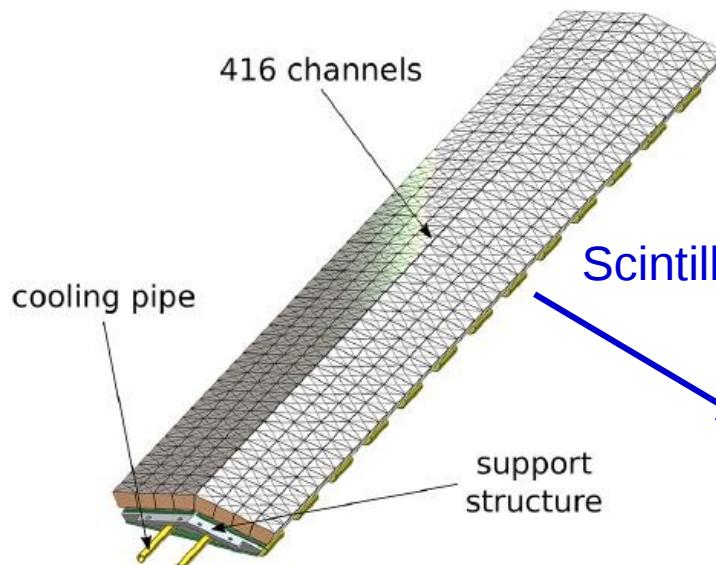




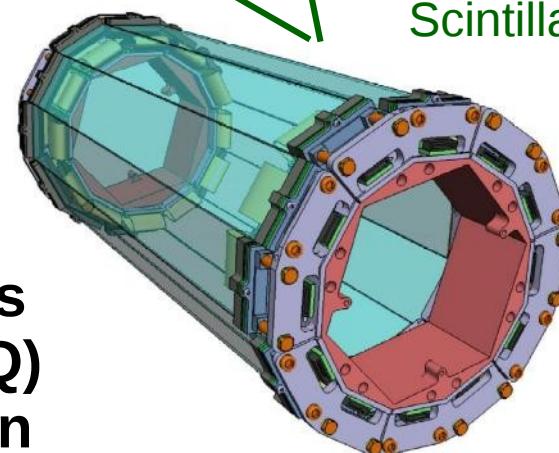
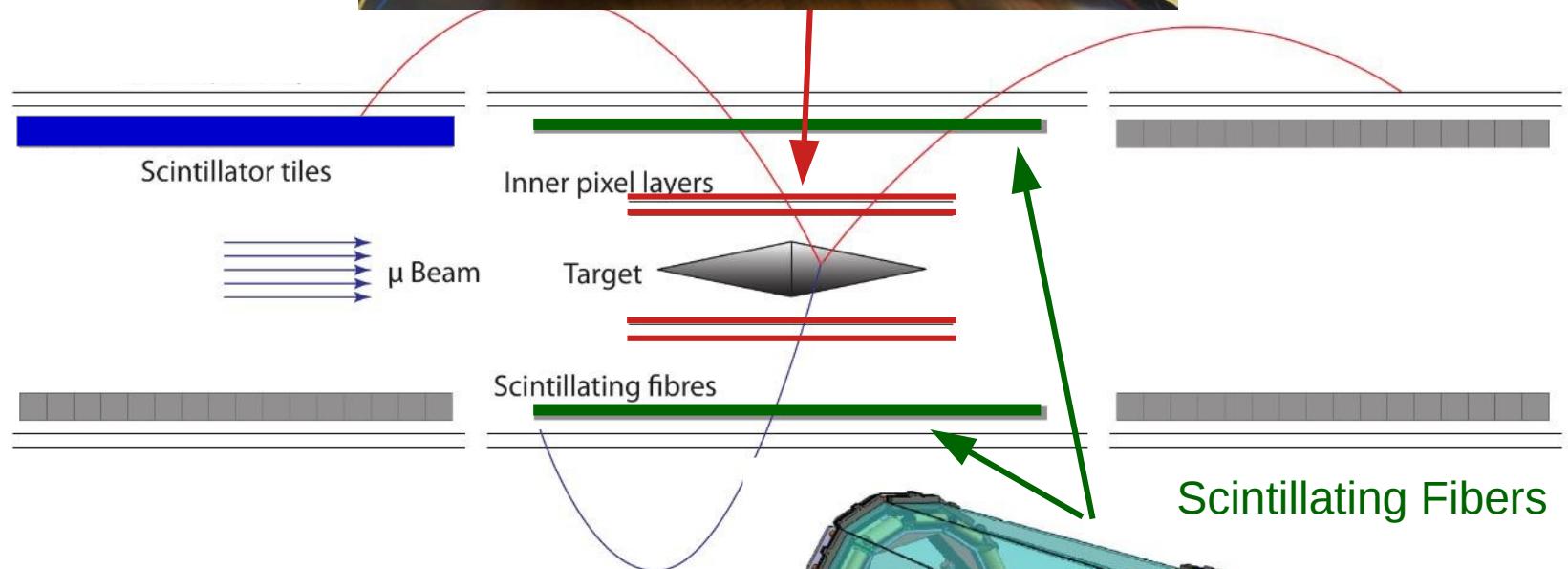
Experimental Status at PSI



June 2021 Integration Run



Pixel Detector Prototype



Goal:
final test of all detector systems
including data acquisition (DAQ)
before starting mass production



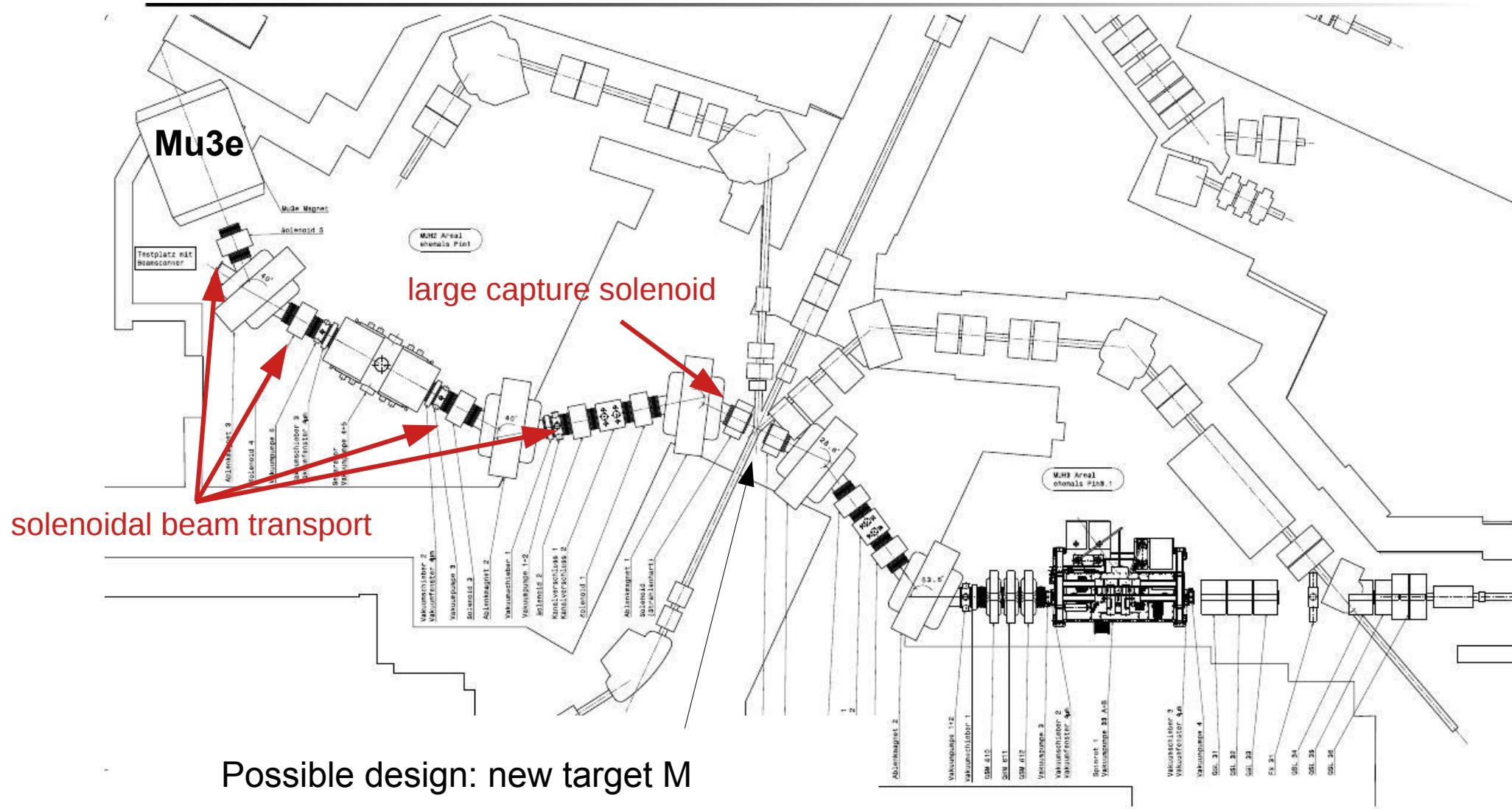
Summary

- **Mu3e has an unique discovery potential for New Physics**
- Technical Design Report published in 2020 (<https://arxiv.org/abs/2009.11690>)
- First Integration Run with all detector systems planned for May/June 2021
 - production readiness
 - construction phase of about two years
- Start of data taking in 2023 → goal for Phase I $B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^-) \leq 5 \cdot 10^{-15}$ (90% CL)



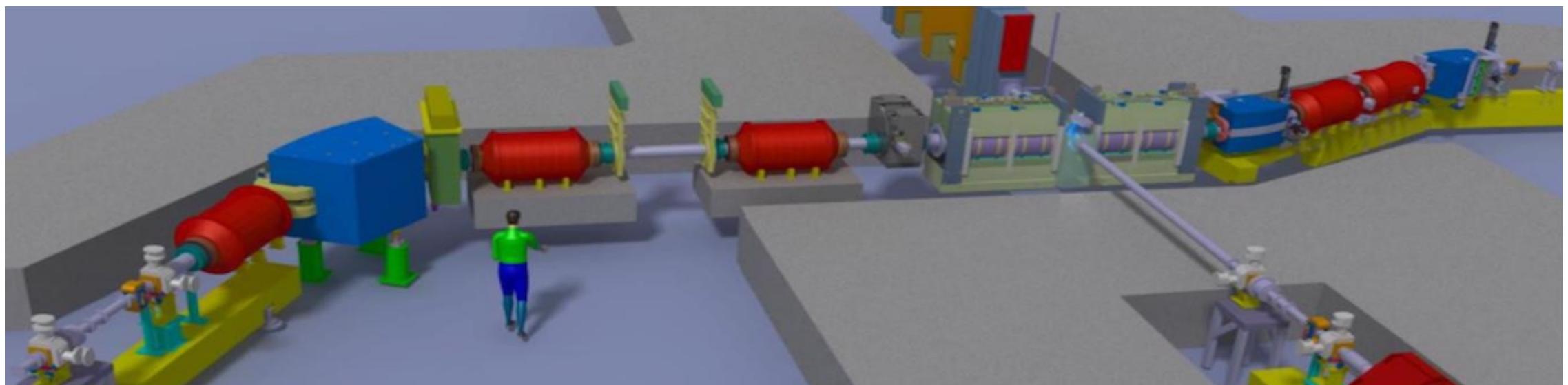
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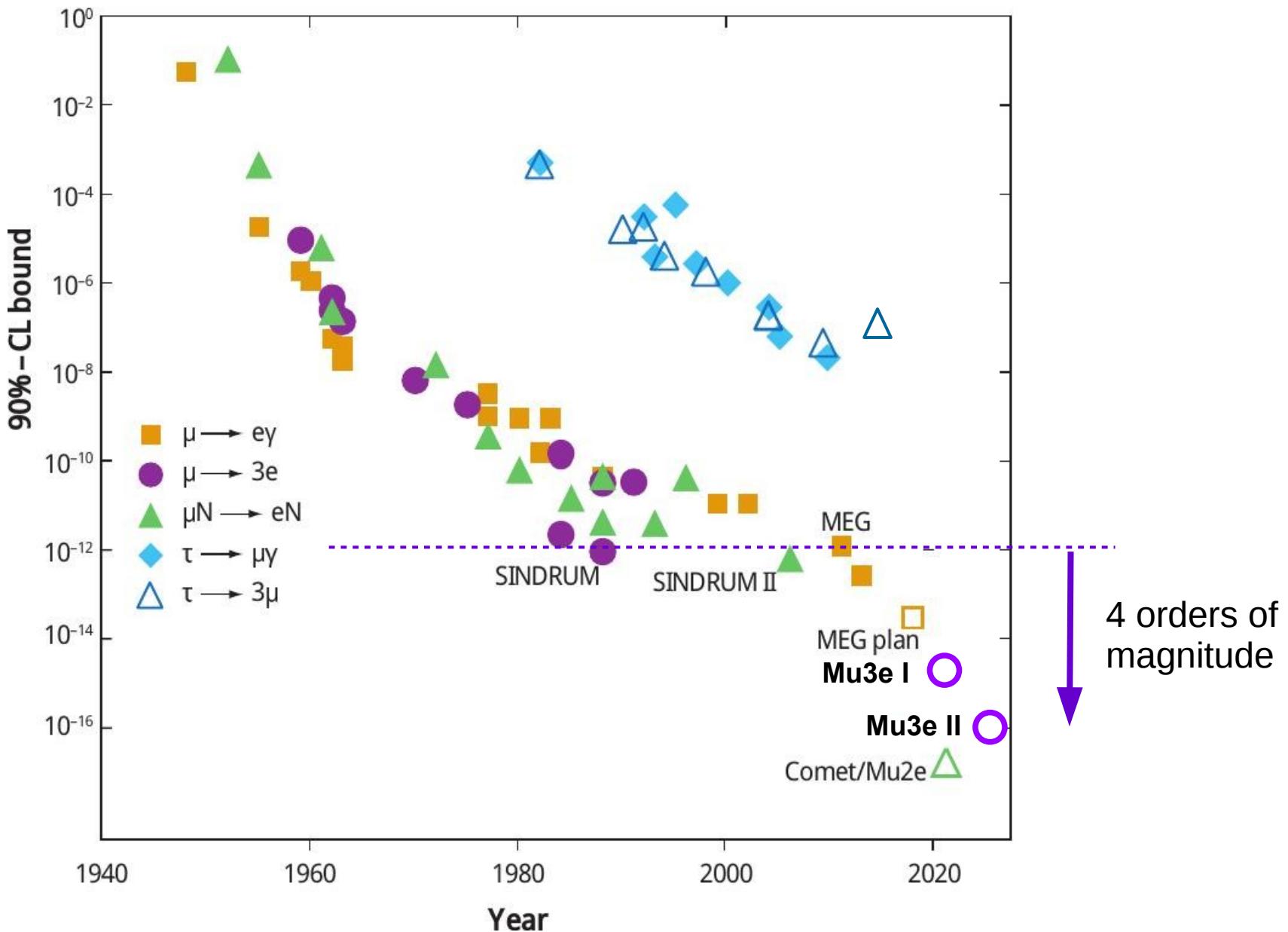
- Mu3e Phase II: $B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^-) \leq 10^{-16}$ (90% CL)
- HiMB Physics Case Workshop 6.-9. April 2021
(<https://indico.psi.ch/event/10547/>)



Backup

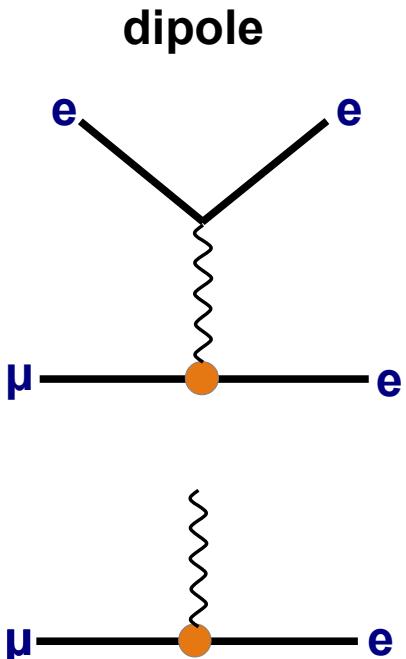


History of LFV Decay experiments

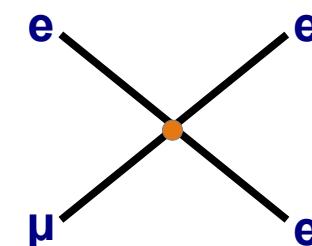




Model Independent Comparison



$\mu e e e$ contact IA



Effective cLFV Lagrangian:

$$L = \frac{m_\mu}{\Lambda^2 (1 + \kappa)} H^{dipole} + \frac{\kappa}{\Lambda^2 (1 + \kappa)} J_\nu^{e\mu} J^{\nu, ee}$$

κ = parameter

Λ = common effective mass scale

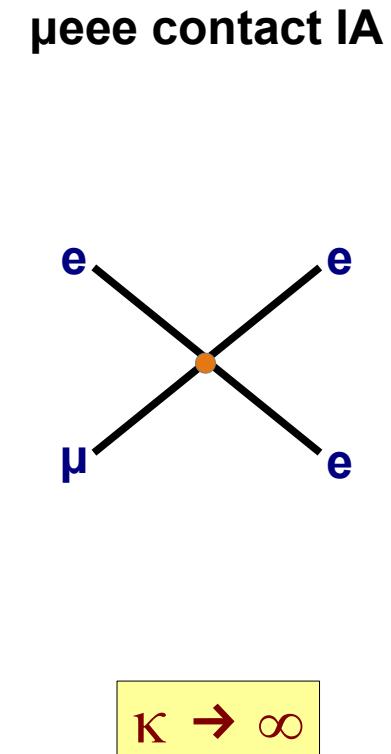
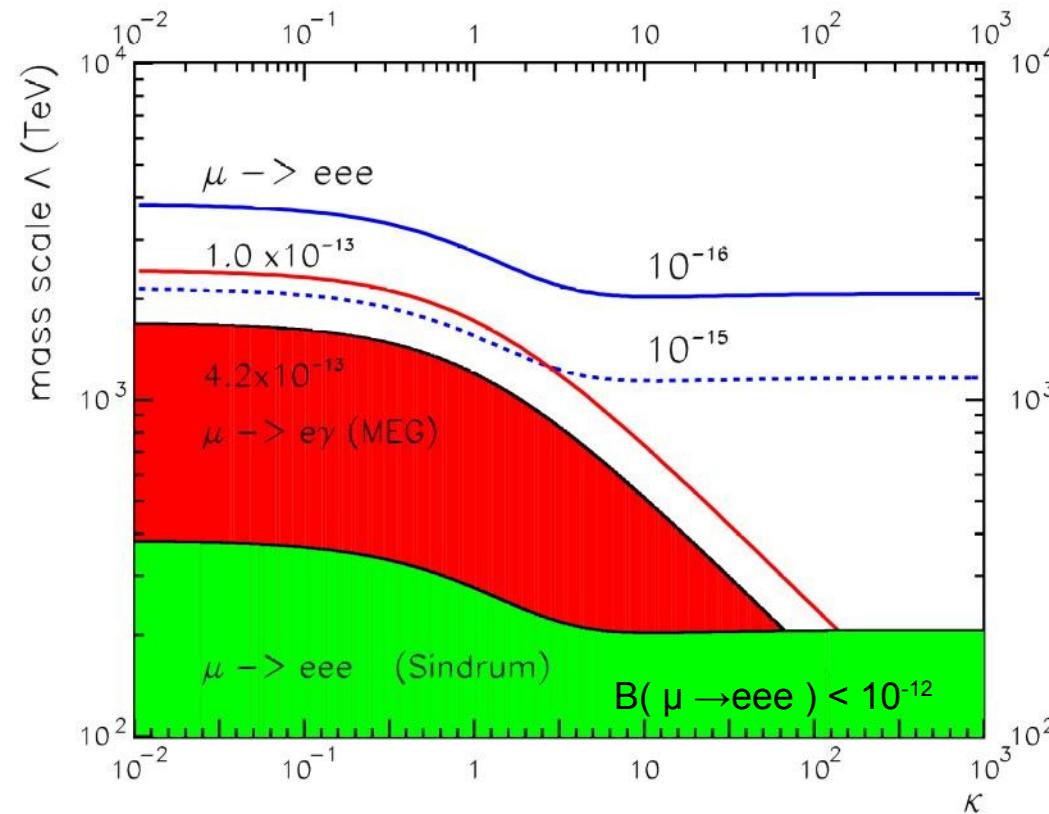
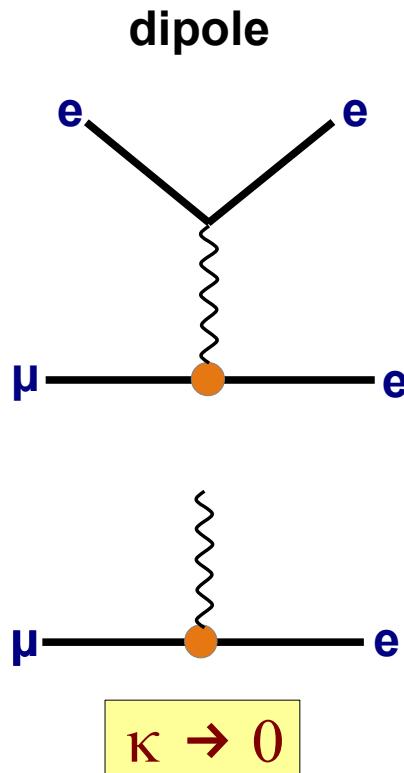
$\kappa \rightarrow \infty$

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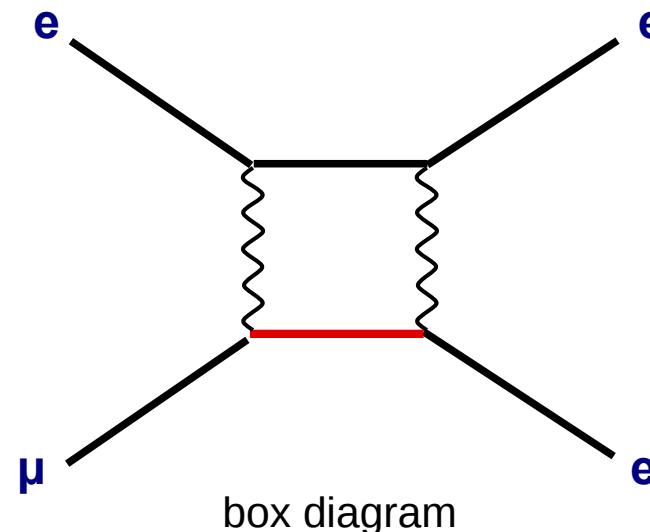
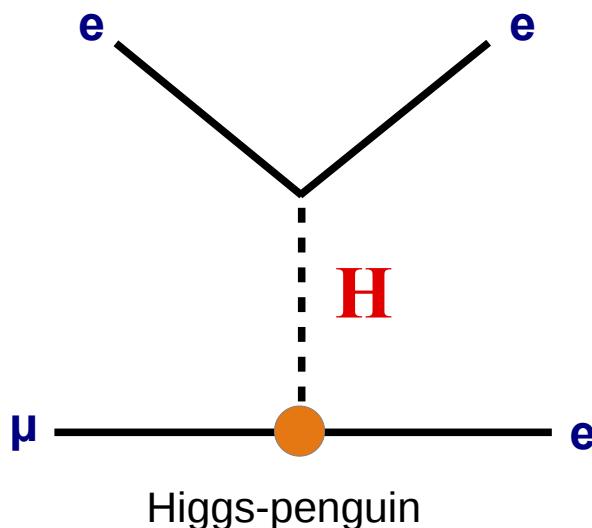
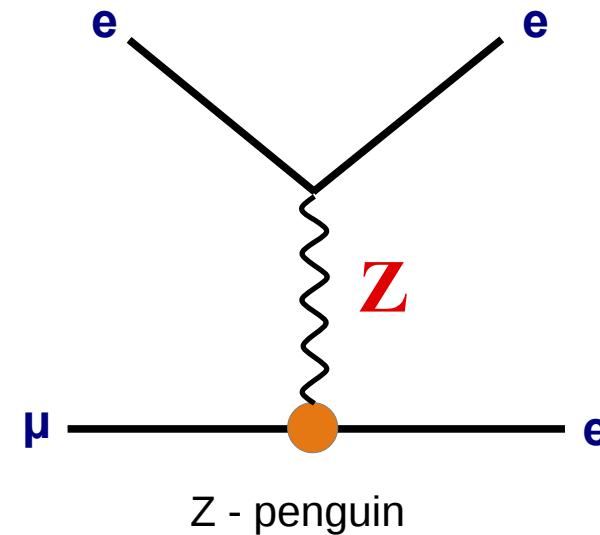
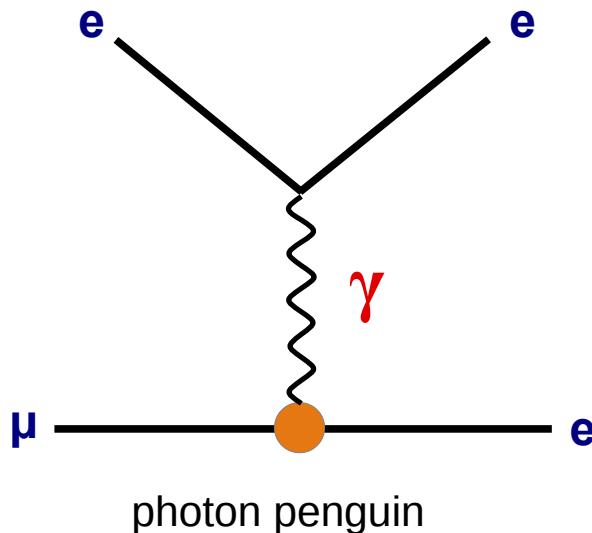
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$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^-$ Diagrams

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





LFV-Effective Field Theory

A.Crivellin et al., PSI-PR-16-15

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{QED+QCD}} + \frac{1}{\Lambda} \sum_k C_k^{(5)} Q_k^{(5)} + \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \sum_k C_k^{(6)} Q_k^{(6)} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\Lambda^3}\right)$$

Representation by Wilson coefficients
and higher-dimensional operators:

$$O_L^D = e m_\mu (\bar{e} \sigma^{\mu\nu} P_L \mu) F_{\mu\nu},$$

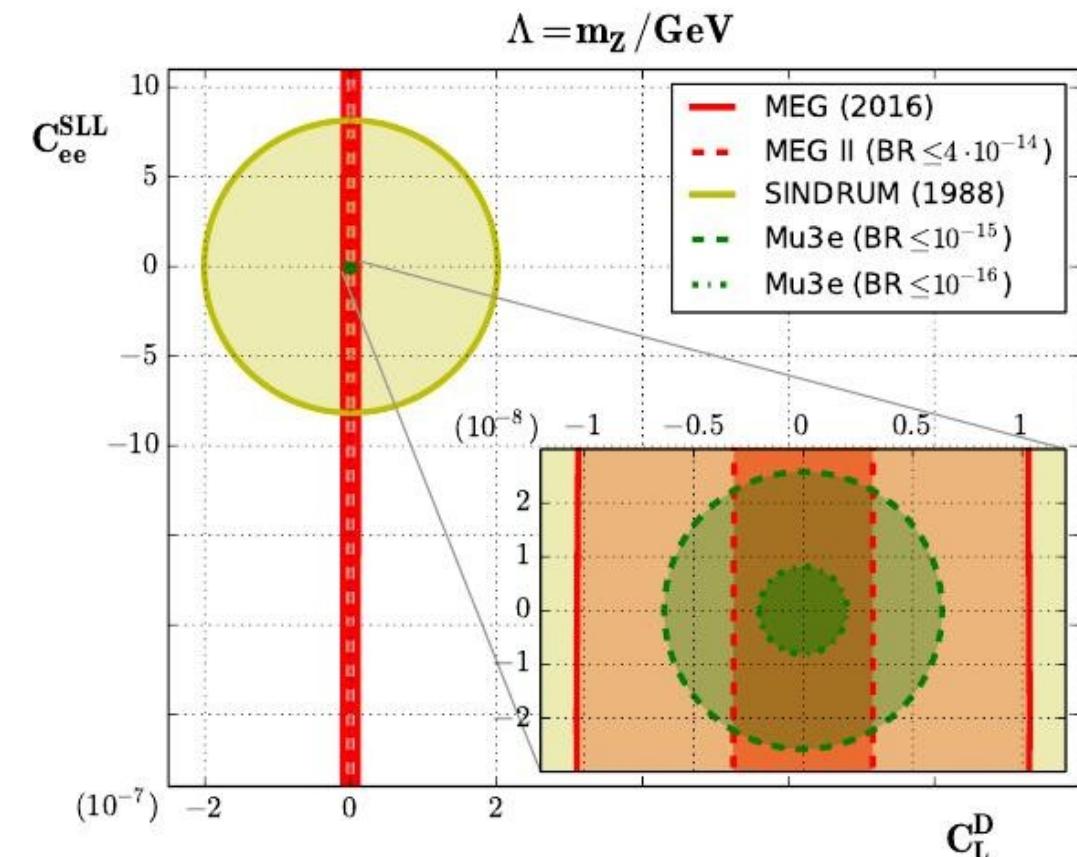
$$O_{ff}^{VLL} = (\bar{e} \gamma^\mu P_L \mu) (\bar{f} \gamma_\mu P_L f),$$

$$O_{ff}^{VLR} = (\bar{e} \gamma^\mu P_L \mu) (\bar{f} \gamma_\mu P_R f),$$

$$O_{ff}^{SLL} = (\bar{e} P_L \mu) (\bar{f} P_L f),$$

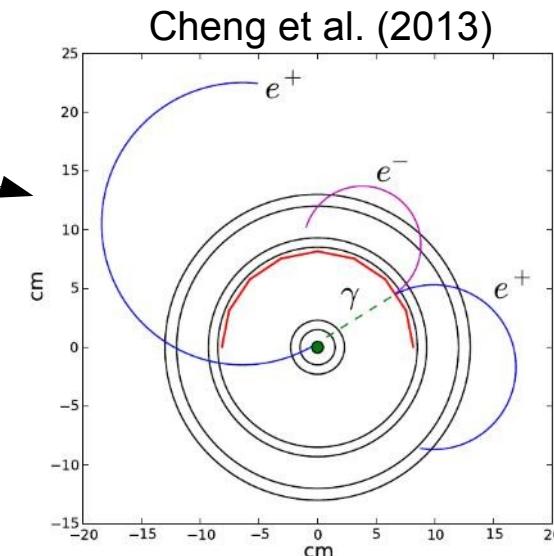
$$O_{ff}^{SLR} = (\bar{e} P_L \mu) (\bar{f} P_R f),$$

$$O_{ff}^{TLL} = (\bar{e} \sigma_{\mu\nu} P_L \mu) (\bar{f} \sigma^{\mu\nu} P_L f),$$

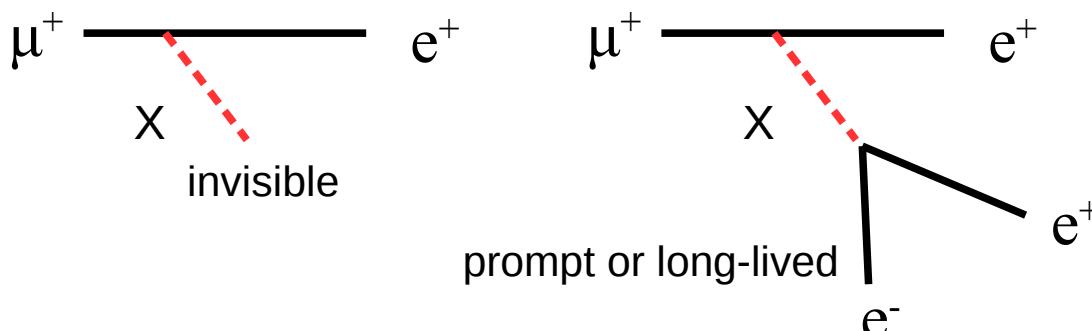


Other Possible Searches with Mu3e

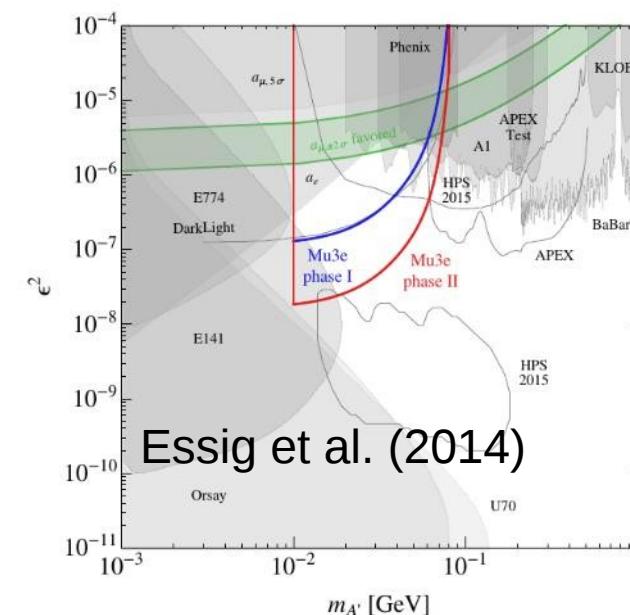
- Search for $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ (LFV) with converted photons
 - better reduction of accidental BG than MEG



- Search for **familions**
 - pseudo Goldstone bosons of spontaneously broken flavor symmetry
 - dark matter candidate

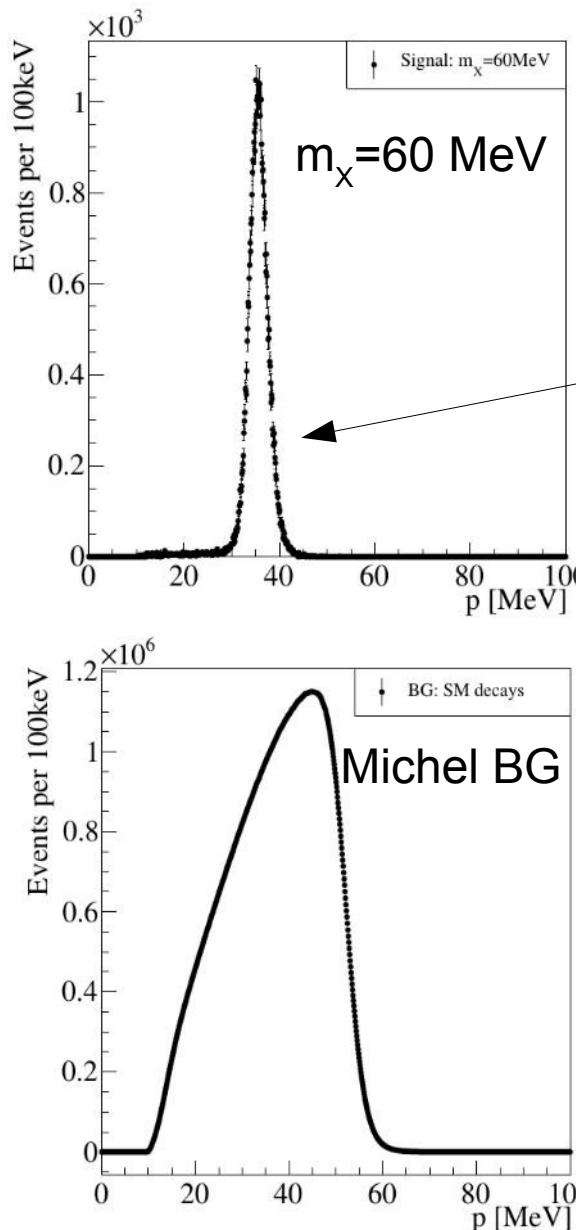


- Search for **dark photons A'** :
 - process $\mu \rightarrow e \nu \bar{\nu} A'$



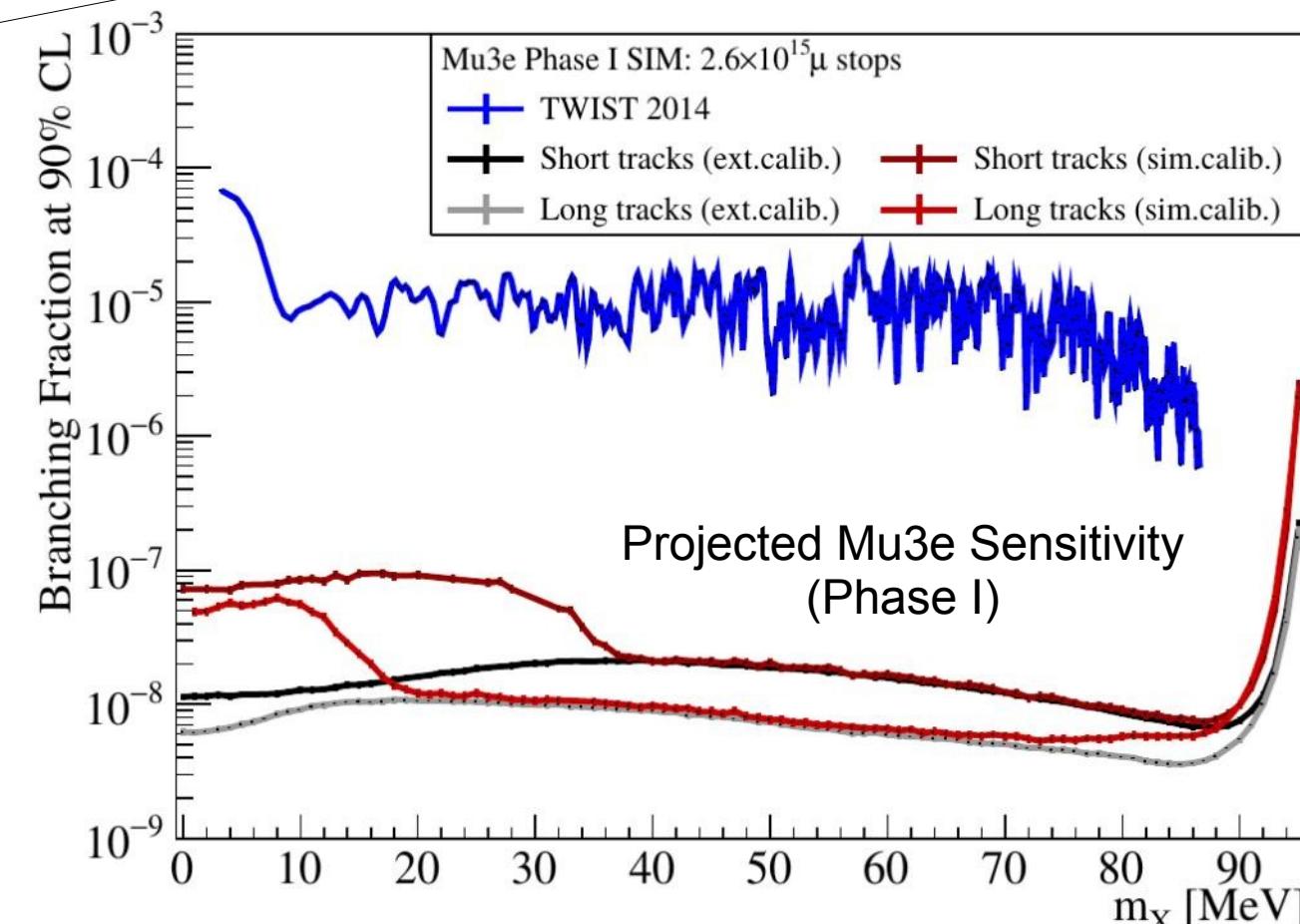


Search for Familions $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ X$



- Familons are the Goldstone Bosons of a spontaneously broken flavor symmetry
- $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ X$ is 2-body decay
- Search for a **peak** on the e^+ momentum distr.

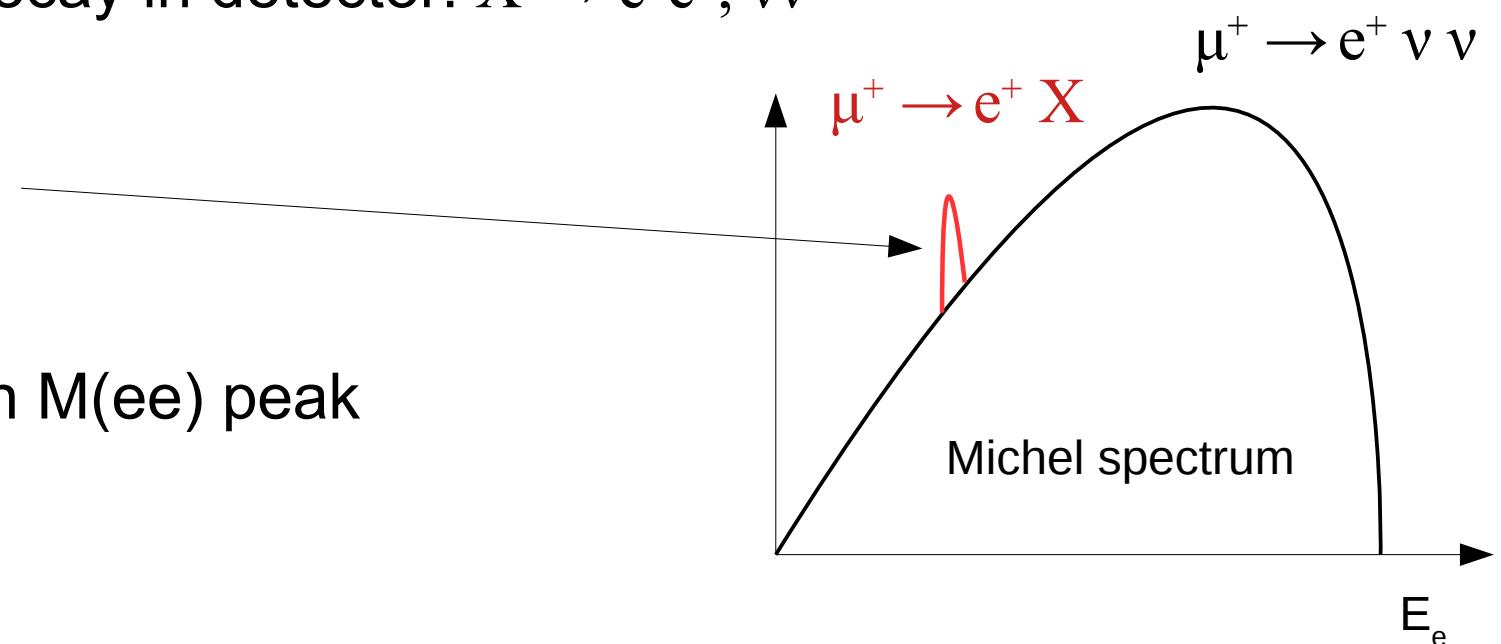
thesis A.-K.Perrevoort



Side Remark: Exotic LFV Decays

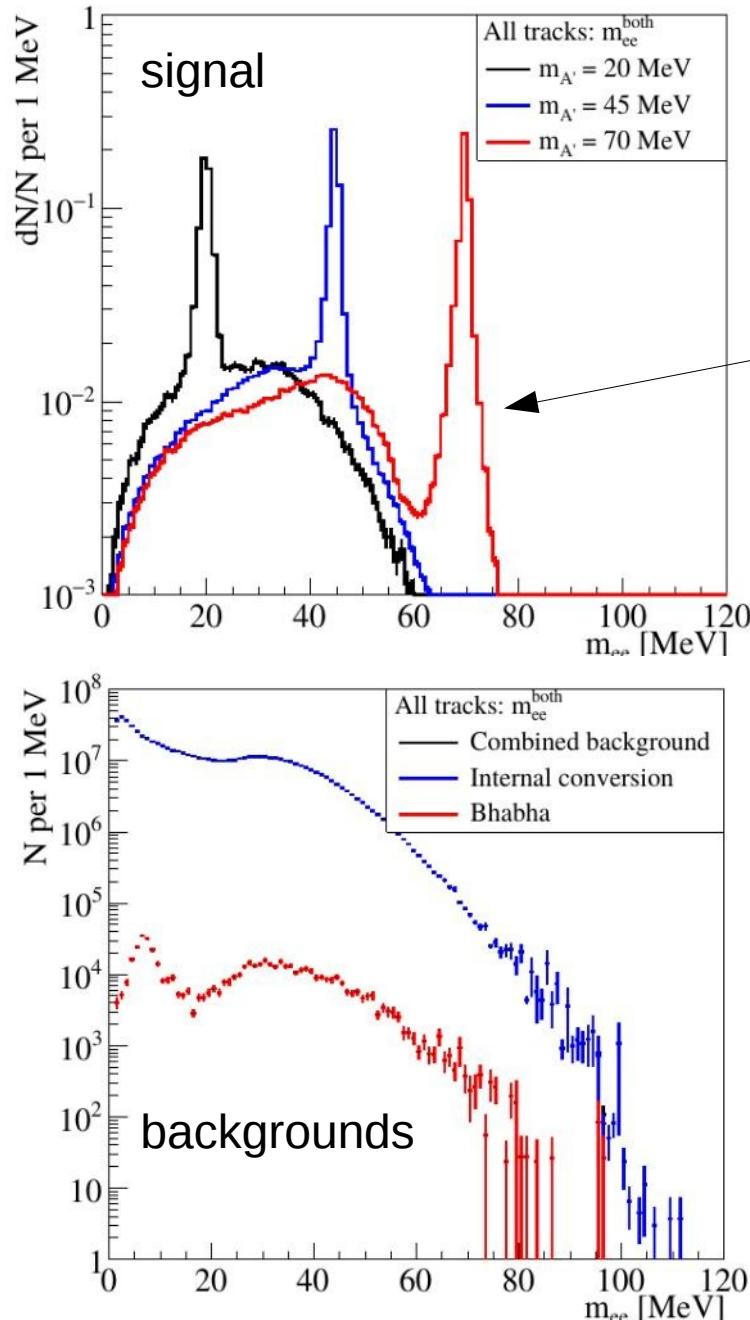
Weakly Interaction Slim Particles (WISP)

- light axions are theoretically well motivated
- axions X could be LFV familons
 - pseudo-Nambu-Goldstein boson of spontaneously broken family asymmetry
 - addressing dark matter
- X could weakly couple to SM particles: $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ X$ ($\mu^+ \rightarrow e^- \gamma X$)
- X would be long-living or decay in detector: $X \rightarrow e^+ e^-$, $\nu \bar{\nu}$
- Search topologies:
 - peak in Michel spectrum
 - displaced $e^+ e^-$ vertex
 - $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^-$ signature with $M(ee)$ peak





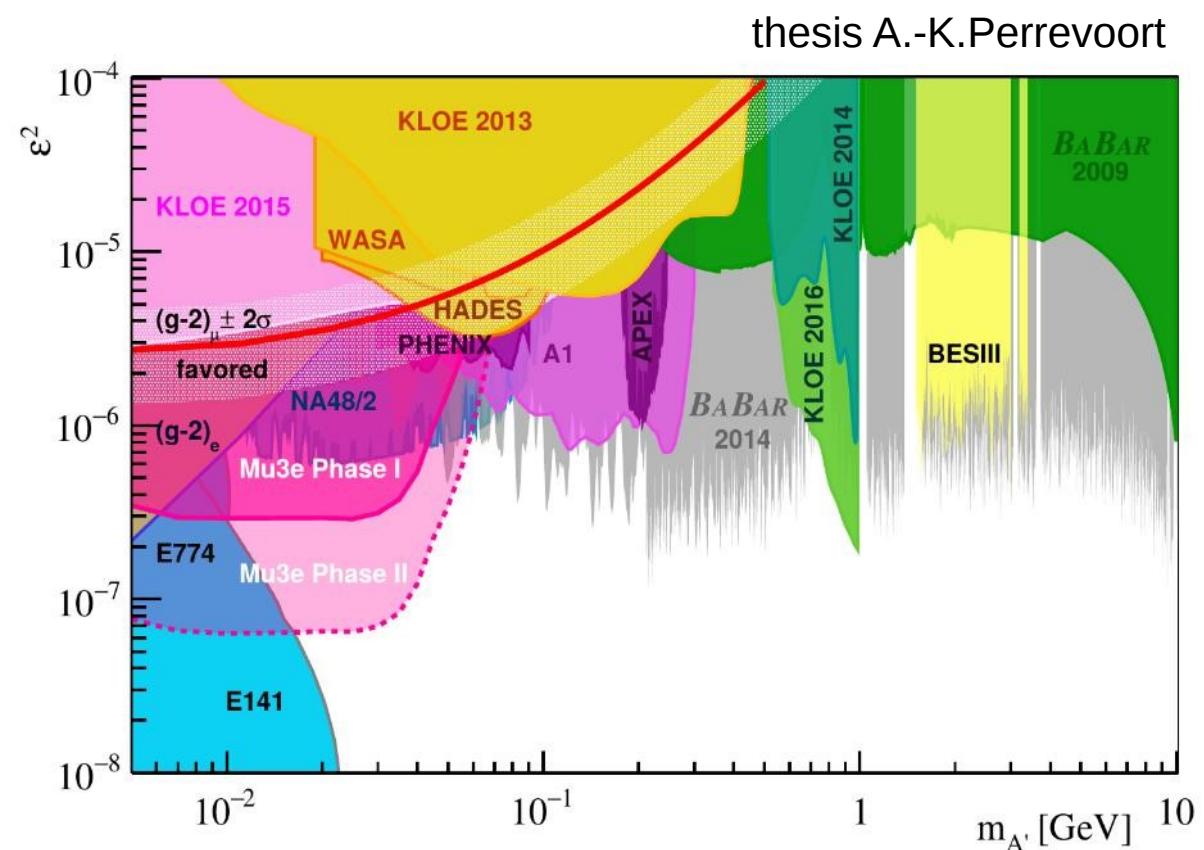
Search for Dark Photons in $A' \rightarrow e^+e^-$



- Search for Dark Photons with zero or short lifetime:

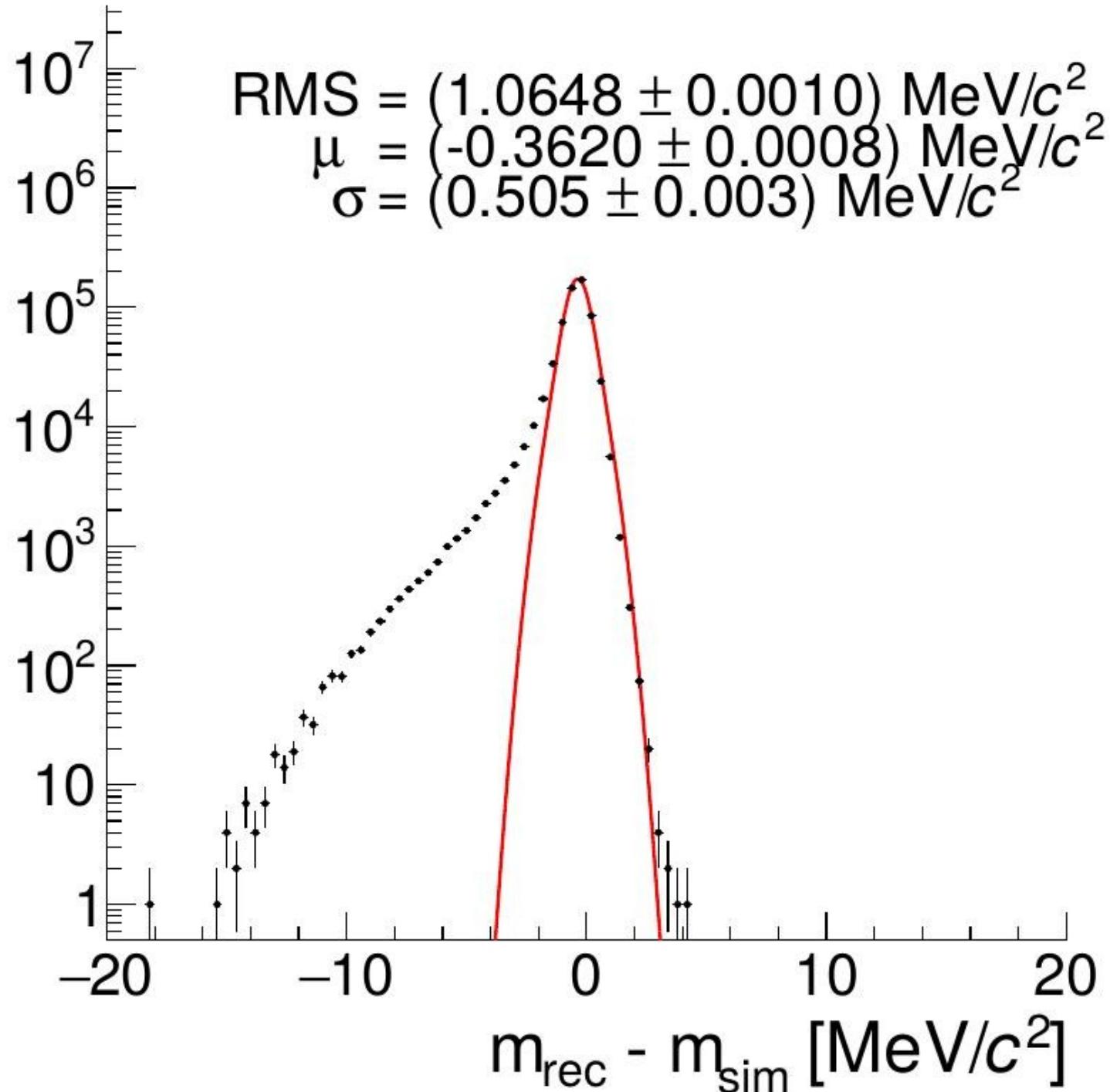
$$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \nu_e \bar{\nu}_\mu A' \quad \text{with } A' \rightarrow ee$$

- **peak in $m(e^+e^-)$ invariant mass**





Mu3e Phase I Simulation, 3 recurlers

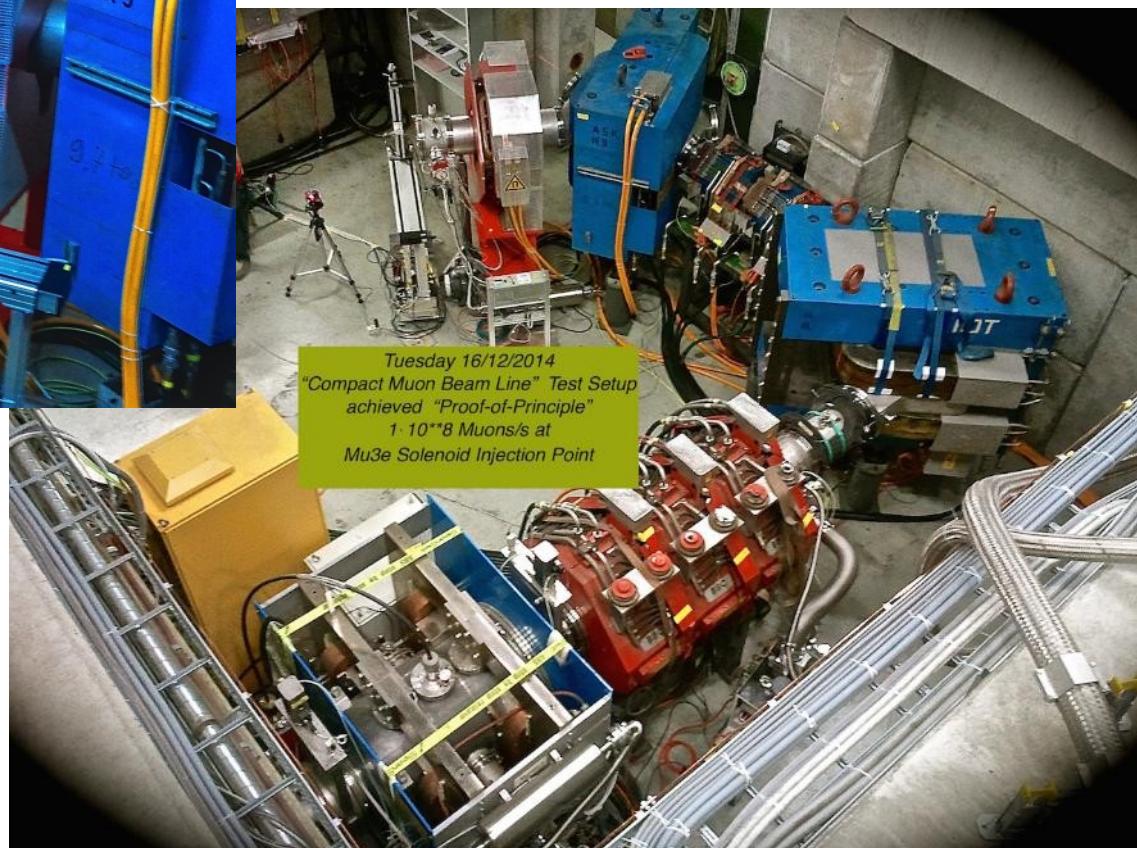


PiE5 Beamline + Experimental Region

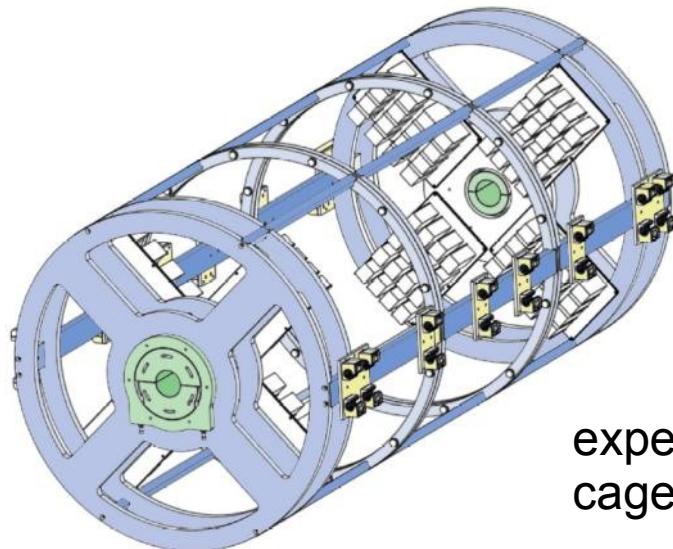
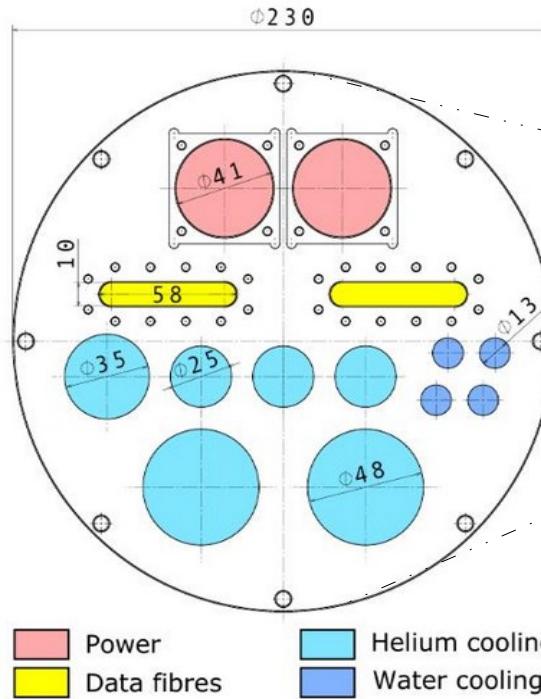


mockup for Mu3e solenoid

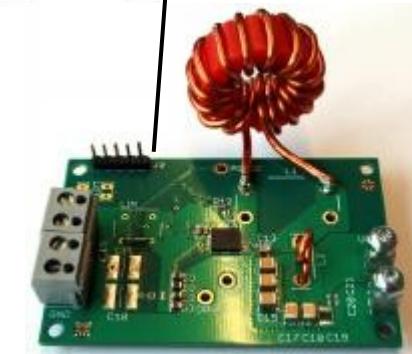
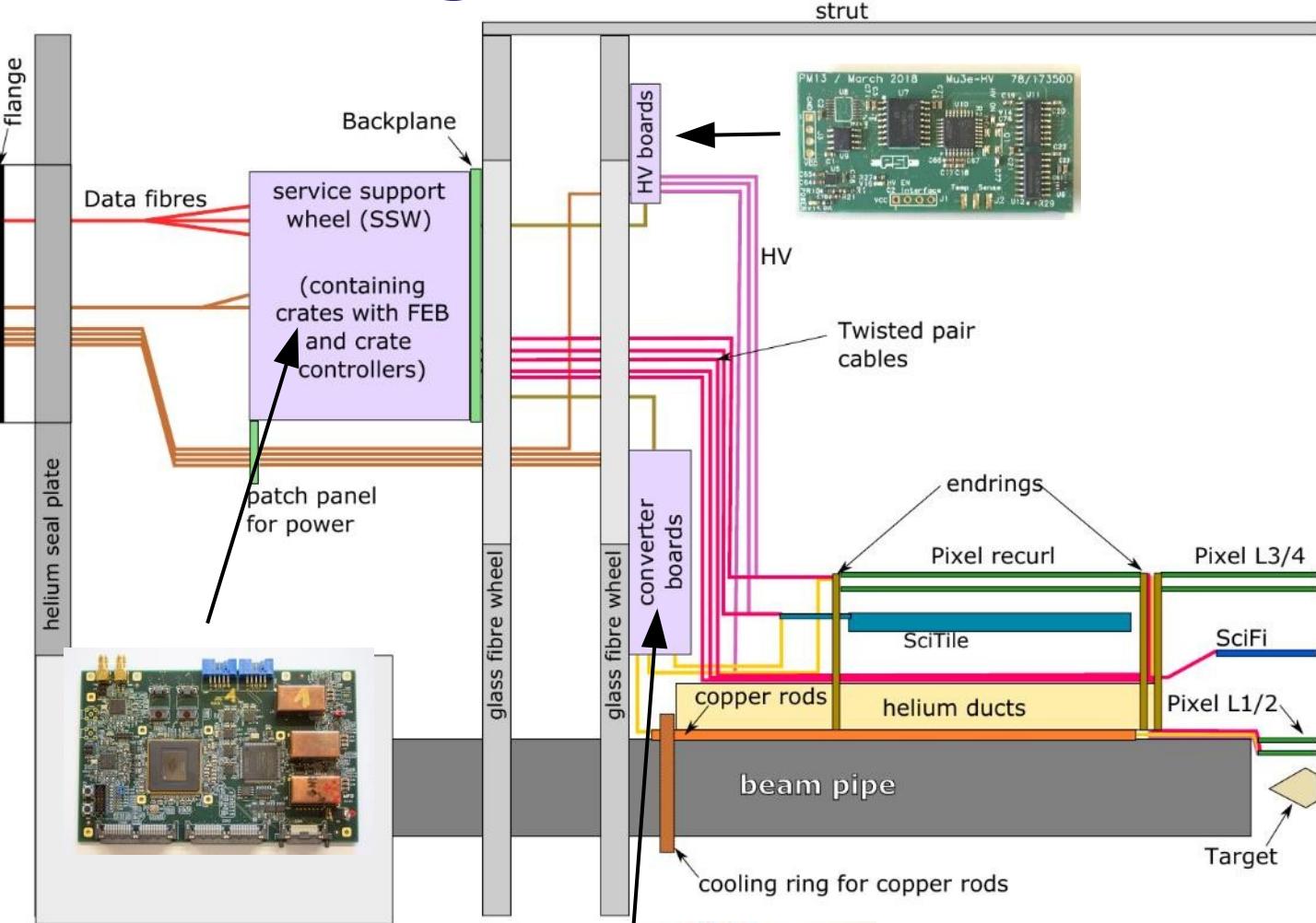
Compact Muon Beamline was successfully commissioned providing up to 10^8 muons/s



Experimental Cage & Services

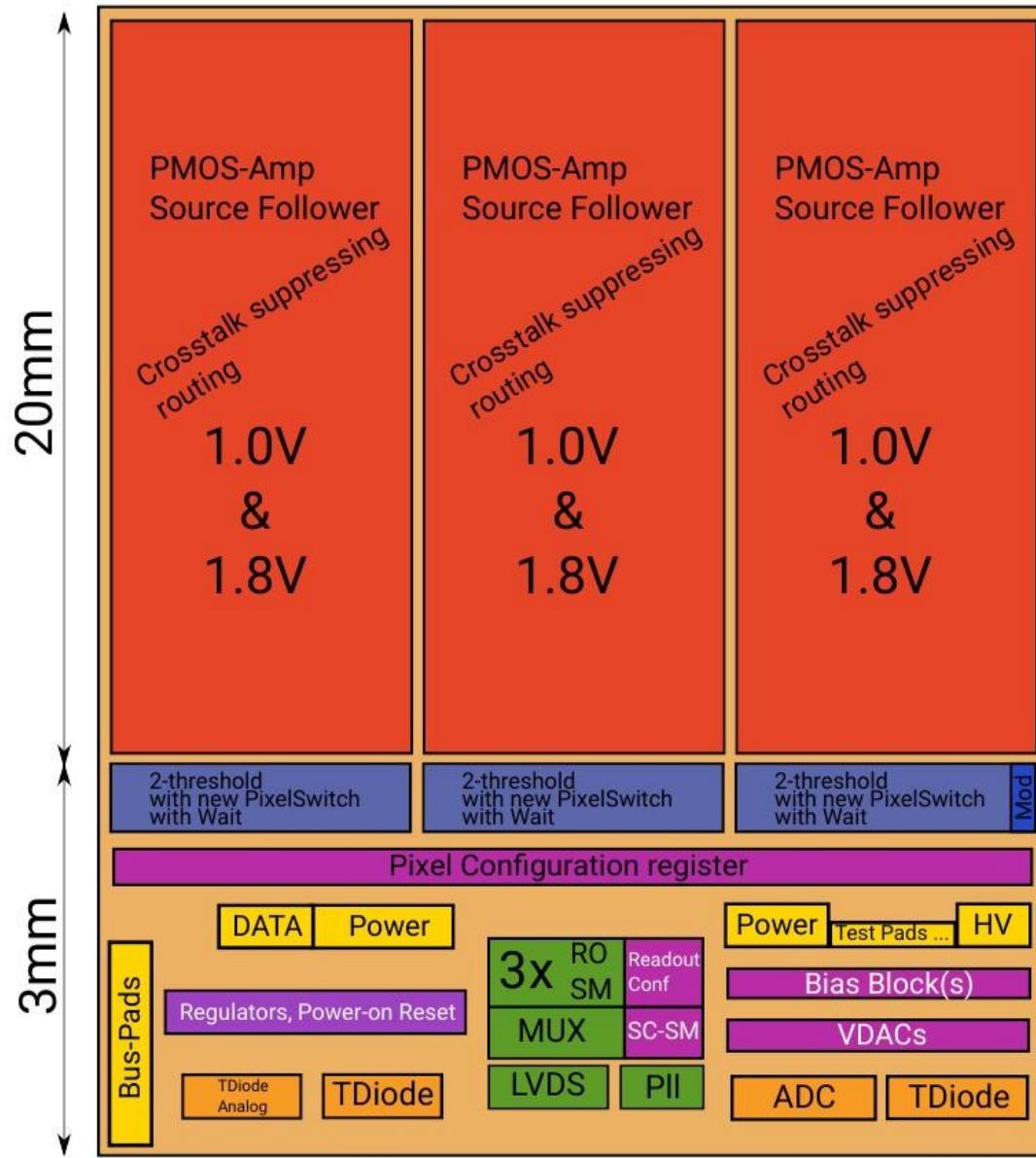


experimental
cage (Heidelberg)

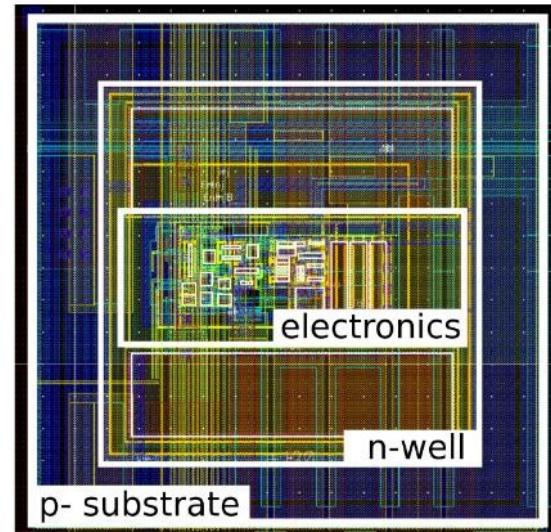




Mupix10 Design & Specifications



Pixel Matrix



Specification from TDR

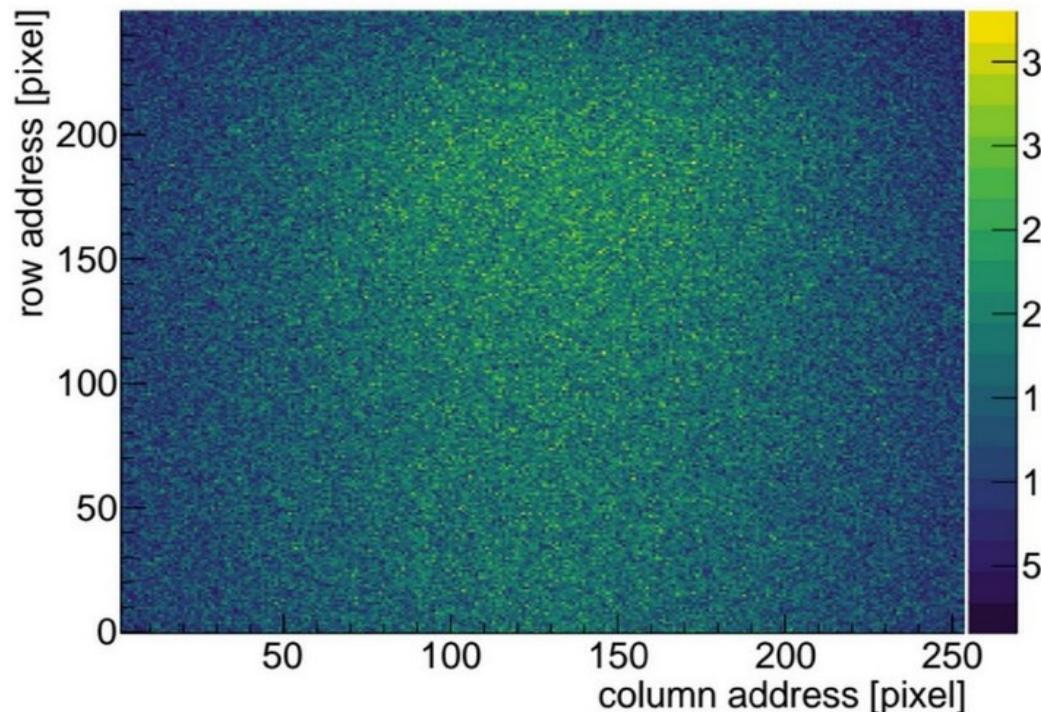
sensor dimensions [mm ²]	$\leq 21 \times 23$
sensor size (active) [mm ²]	$\approx 20 \times 20$
thickness [μm]	≤ 50
spatial resolution μm	≤ 30
time resolution [ns]	≤ 20
hit efficiency [%]	≥ 99
#LVDS links (inner layers)	1 (3)
bandwidth per link [Gbit/s]	≥ 1.25
power density of sensors [mW/cm ²]	≤ 350
operation temperature range [°C]	0 to 70



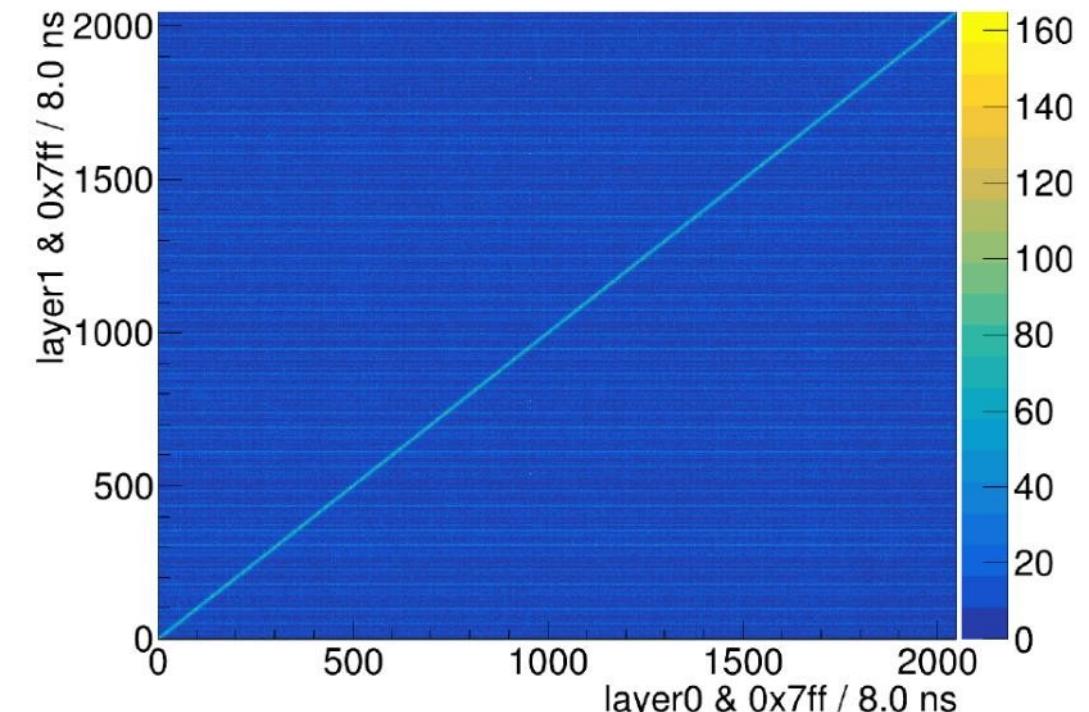
Beam Test Results and Mupix10 Telescope

- Telescope: 3+1 (DUT) layers
- DESY & PSI testbeams (despite Corona)
- MuPix works fine in general!

Note, all following results are very first results and preliminary!



Hit map (electrons @DESY)

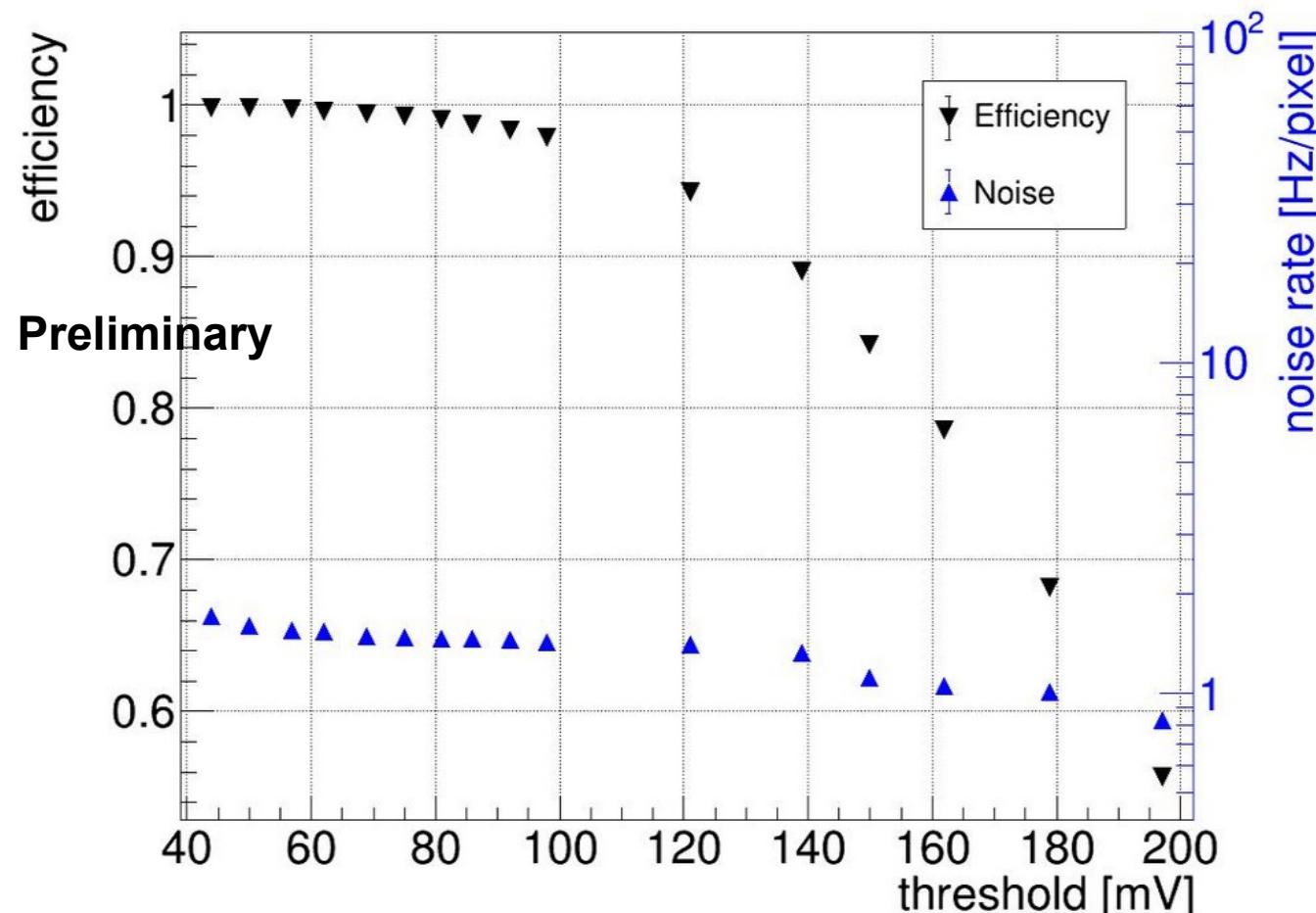


Time correlation between layers (PSI)



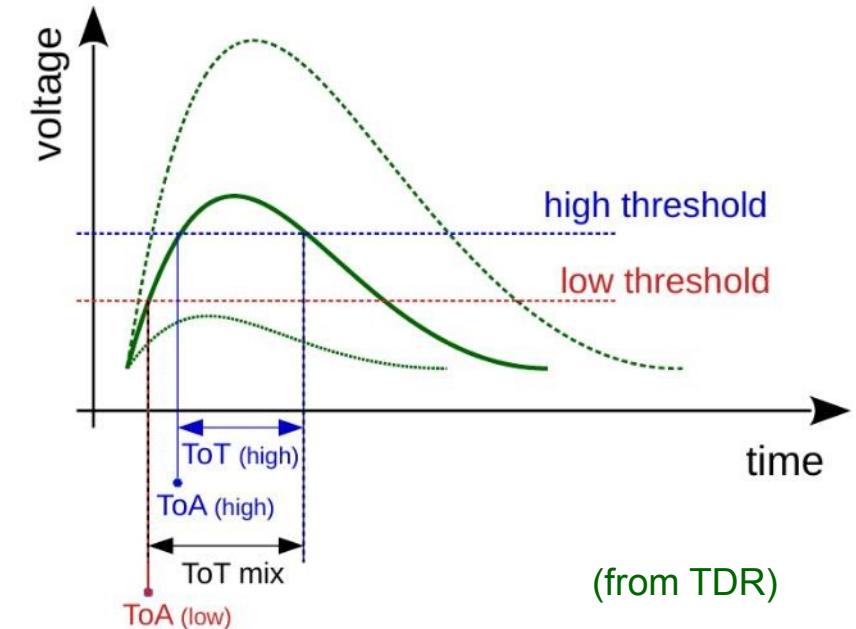
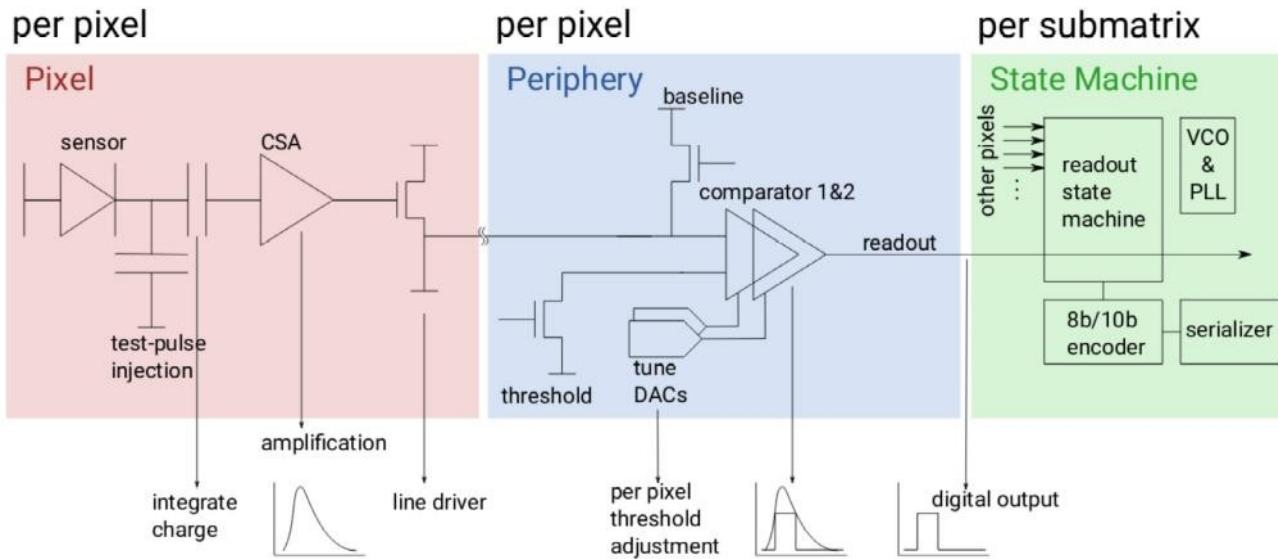
Mupix10: Noise and Efficiency Scan

- wide efficiency plateau!
- efficiency > 99% for thresholds < 80 mV
- noise is rather flat and it includes here many scattered beam particles (~90%)
- noise < 0.1 Hz/pixel after beam particle and hot pixel removal (~10 out of 64000)
(→ not shown)





2-Comparators



Motivation of 2-comparator design

- use lower threshold for reducing time walk (ToA)
- use higher threshold for hit validation
- use higher threshold for measuring falling edge more precisely → better ToT

Two methods to measure ToT:

- rising and falling edge from single or high threshold ("high")
- rising lower edge and falling higher threshold ("mix") → not yet tested



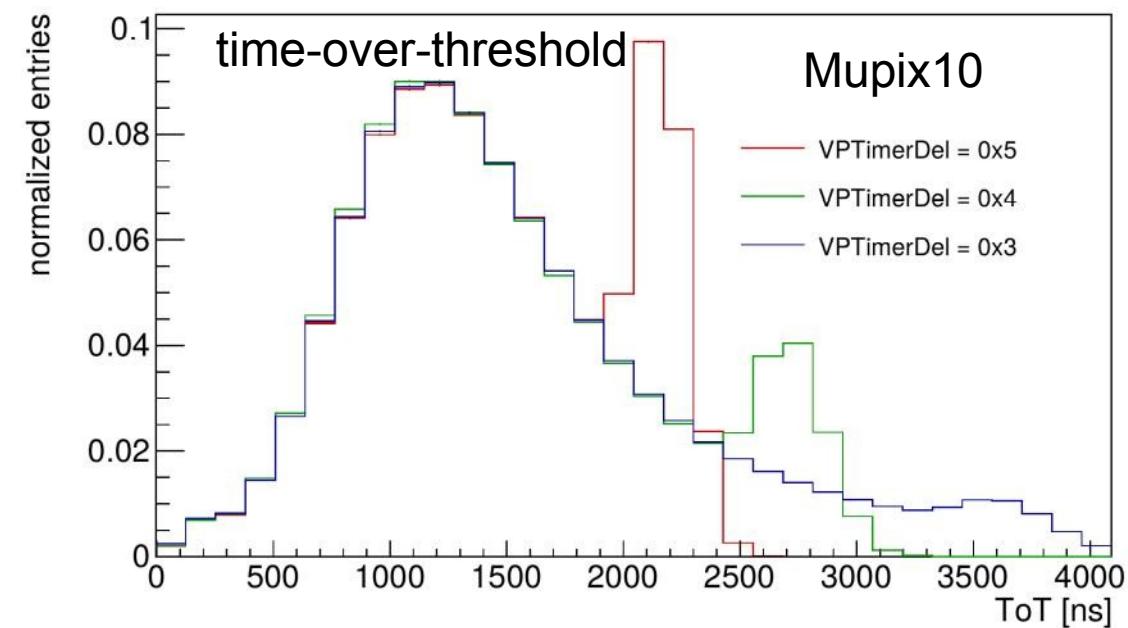
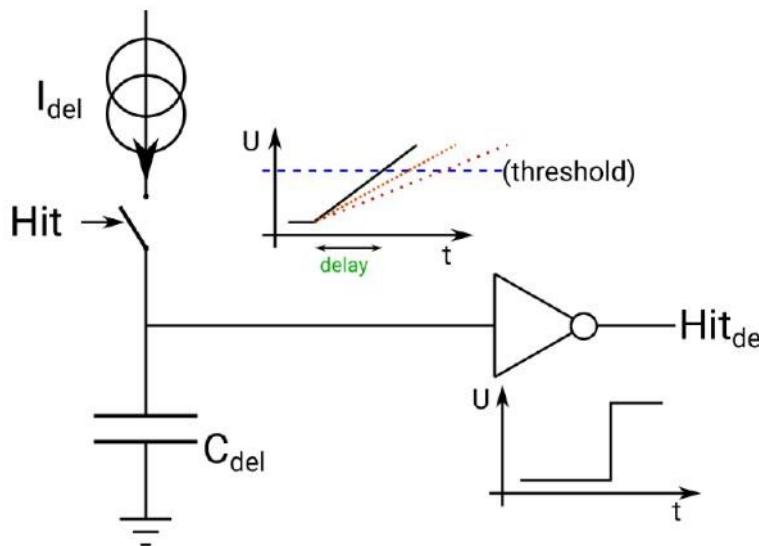
MuPix10 Delay Circuit

Issue:

- Hits should be read out after completion of ToT measurement
- ToT measurement depends on pulse height → disturbs chronological order of hits
- Solution: read hits after adjustable fixed delay

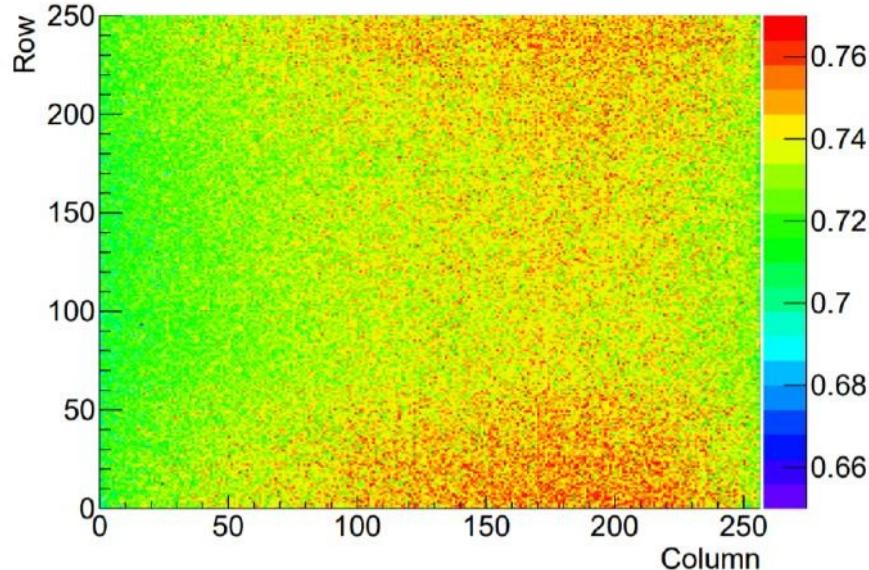
Challenges:

- Handling of overflows (~huge pulses) is required → counter stops
- Delay dispersion of pixels should be small

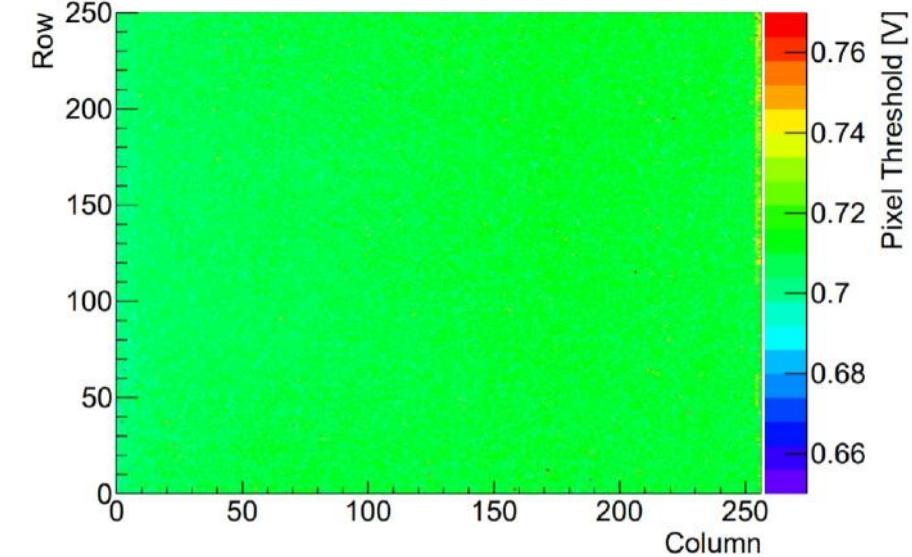




Mupix10: Pixel Tuning

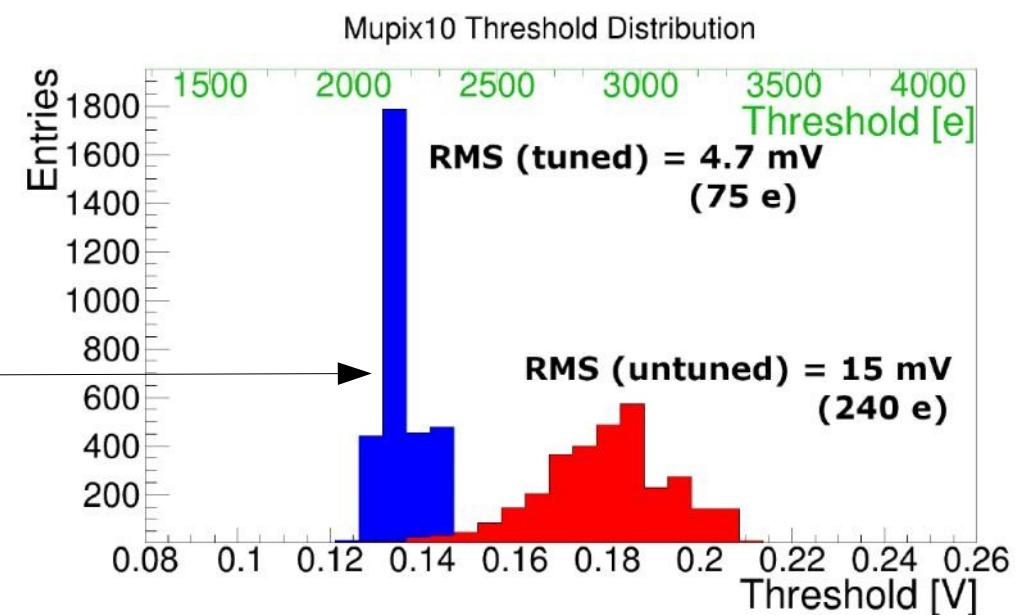


(a) Untuned pixel threshold distribution.



(b) Tuned pixel threshold distribution.

- 3 bit tune dac (TDAC) per pixel
- tune with charge injection
- significant dispersion reduction measured





Mu3e Timeline

Schedule

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029 and after
Mu3e Phase I		construction & commissioning first data							
					operation & high sensitivity preparation HiMB				
Mu3e Phase II		R&D			R&D			upgraded and extended experiment at HiMB	

HiMB = High Intensity Muon Beamline

→ delivers more than 10^9 muons per second