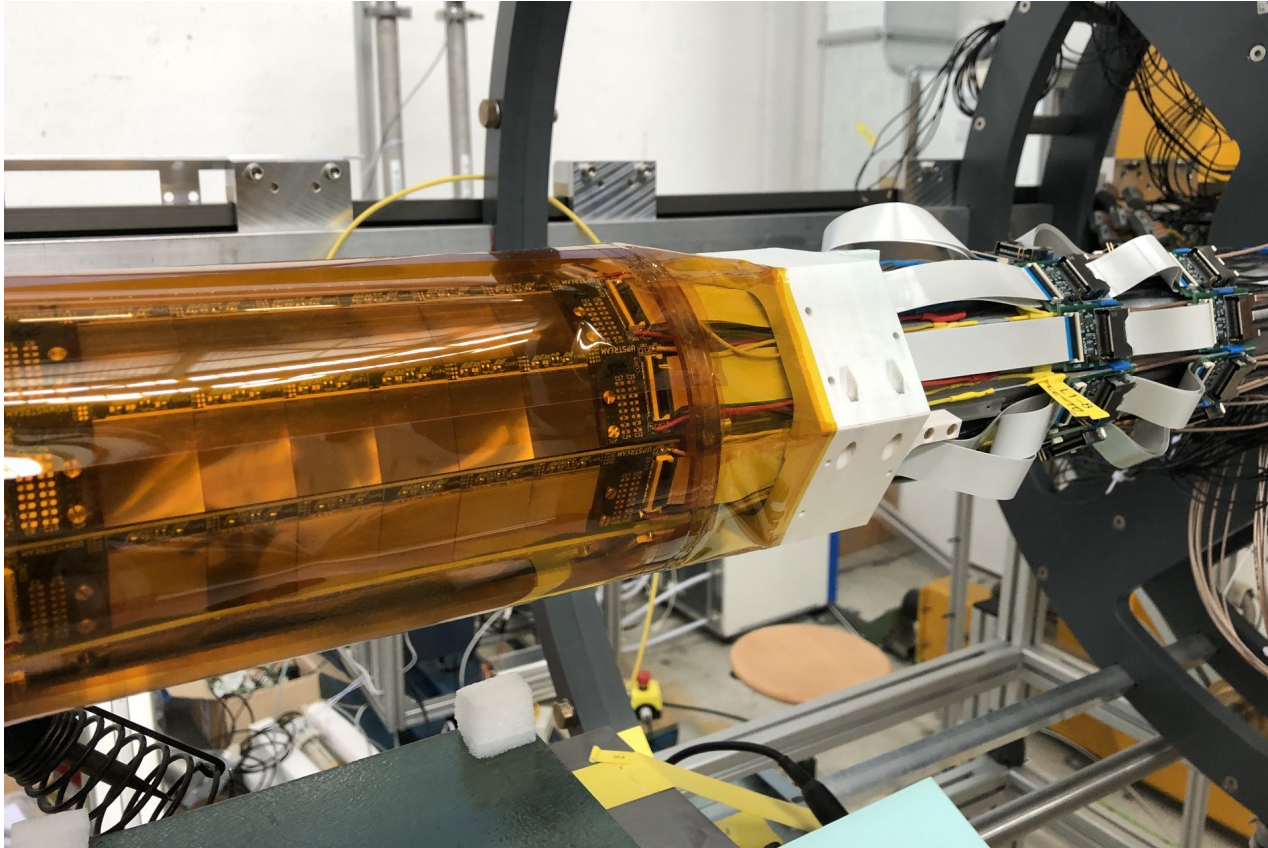


Mu3e silicon timing upgrade



**Monolith Workshop
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Search for the golden lepton flavor violating decay $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^-$

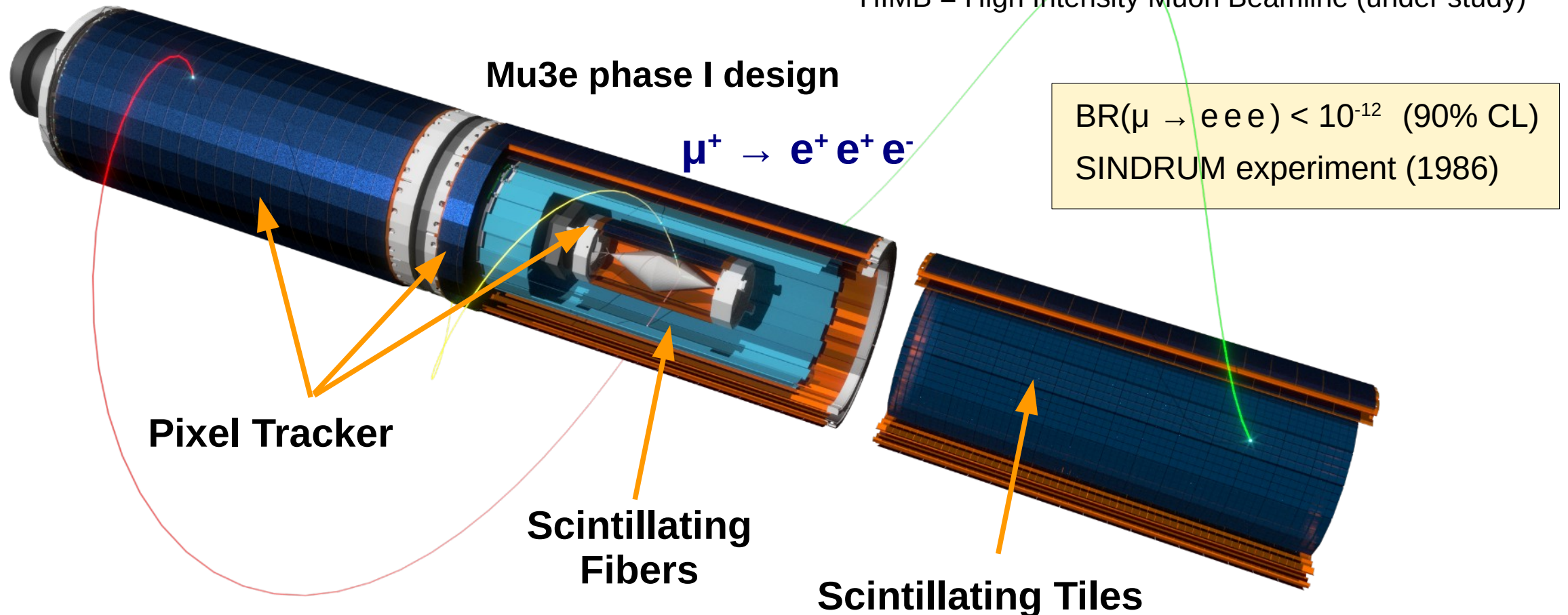
Mu3e Experiment @ PSI

Aiming for a sensitivity (SES)

requires:

$BR(\mu \rightarrow e e e) < 2 \cdot 10^{-15}$ (phase I)	→ 10^8 muons/s (PiE5)	~until 2026
$BR(\mu \rightarrow e e e) < 10^{-16}$ (phase II)	→ $>10^9$ muons/s (HIMB)	R&D

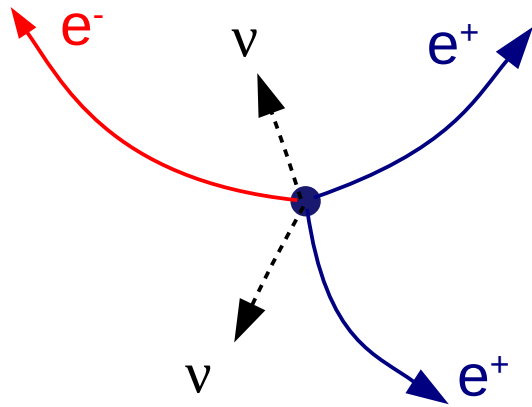
HIMB = High Intensity Muon Beamline (under study)



Backgrounds & Requirements

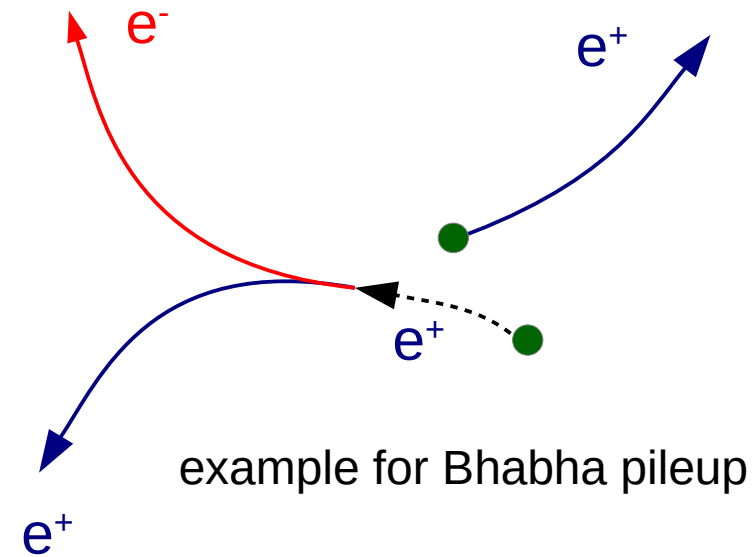
Irreducible BG

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



Accidental BG

→ scales with muon rate



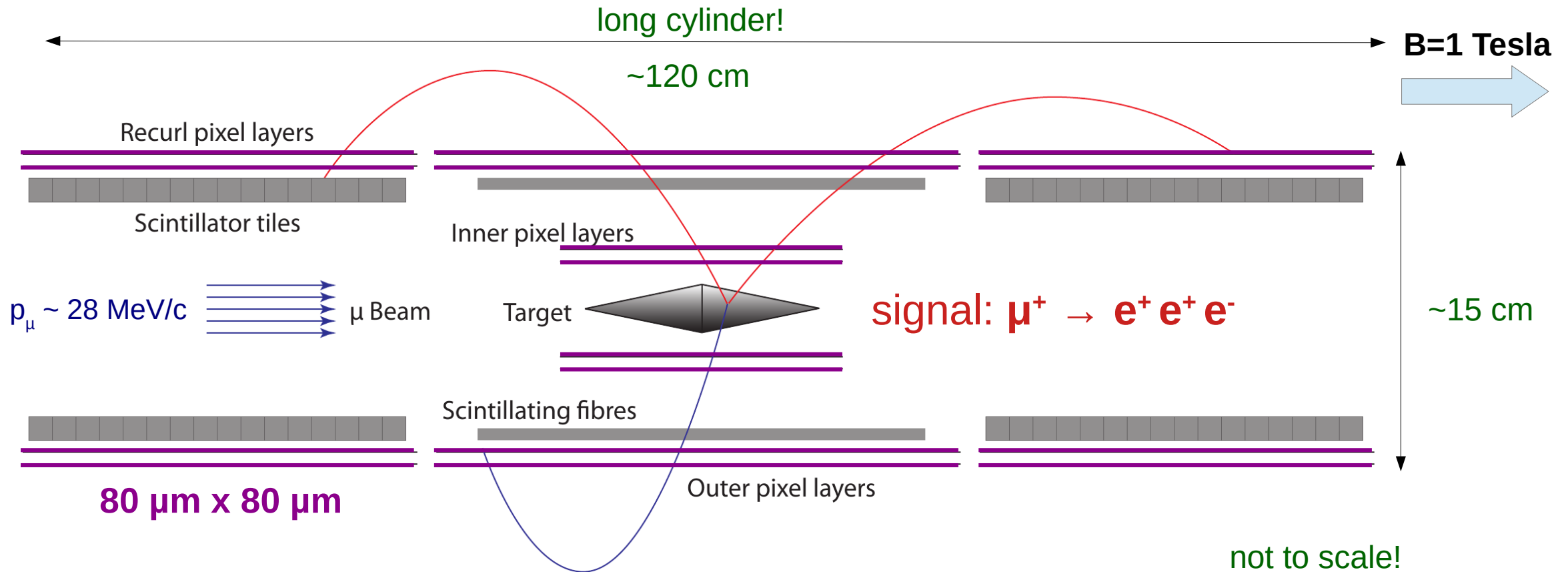
Need excellent:

- **vertex resolution**
- **timing resolution**
- **kinematic reconstruction**

- **high granularity, low mass detector** (multiple scattering)
- **fast scintillator system in phase I (100-250 ps)**
- **low mass detector** (multiple scattering)

Mu3e Silicon Pixel Tracker Design (Phase I)

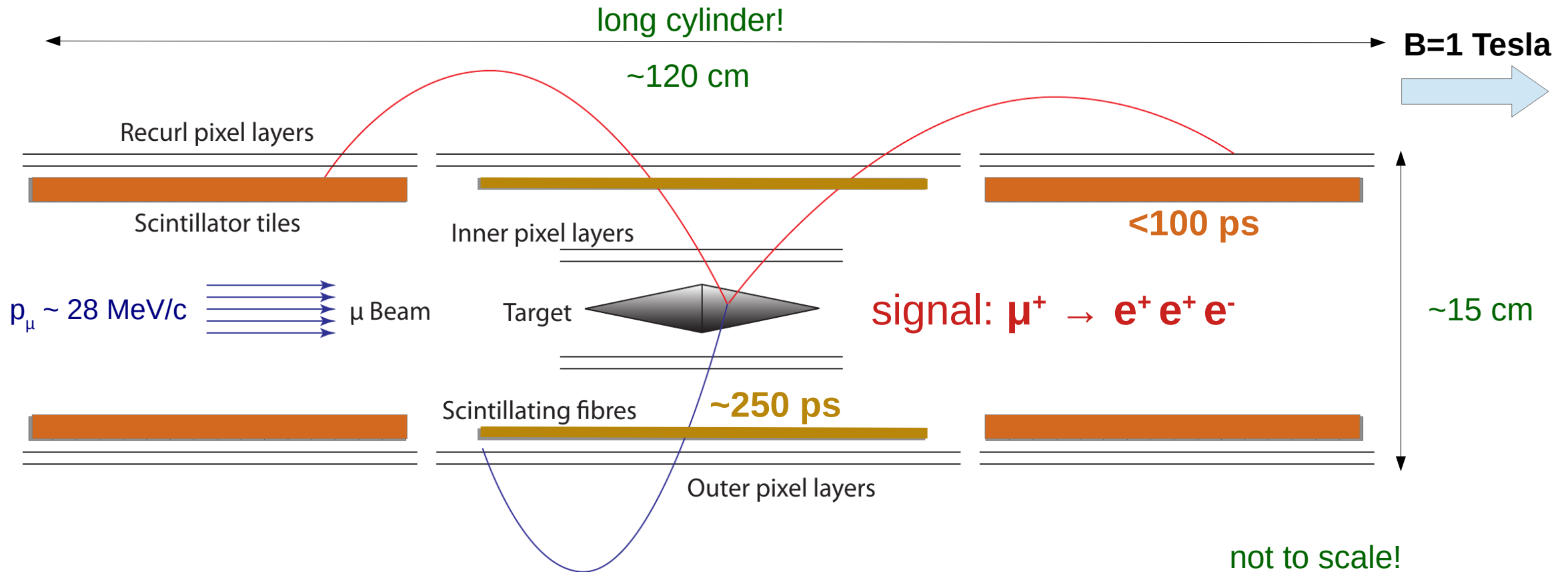
tracking of electrons (positrons) in low momentum range: $p_e \leq 53 \text{ MeV}/c$



- **4 layers** of HVMAPS (MuPix) in **central** part $x/X_0 \sim 0.001$ per layer
- **2 layers** of HV-MAPS (MuPix) **upstream** and **downstream** (recurl stations)
- all layers cooled by **gaseous helium** (up to $400 \text{ mW}/\text{cm}^2$)

Mu3e Silicon Pixel Tracker Design (Phase I)

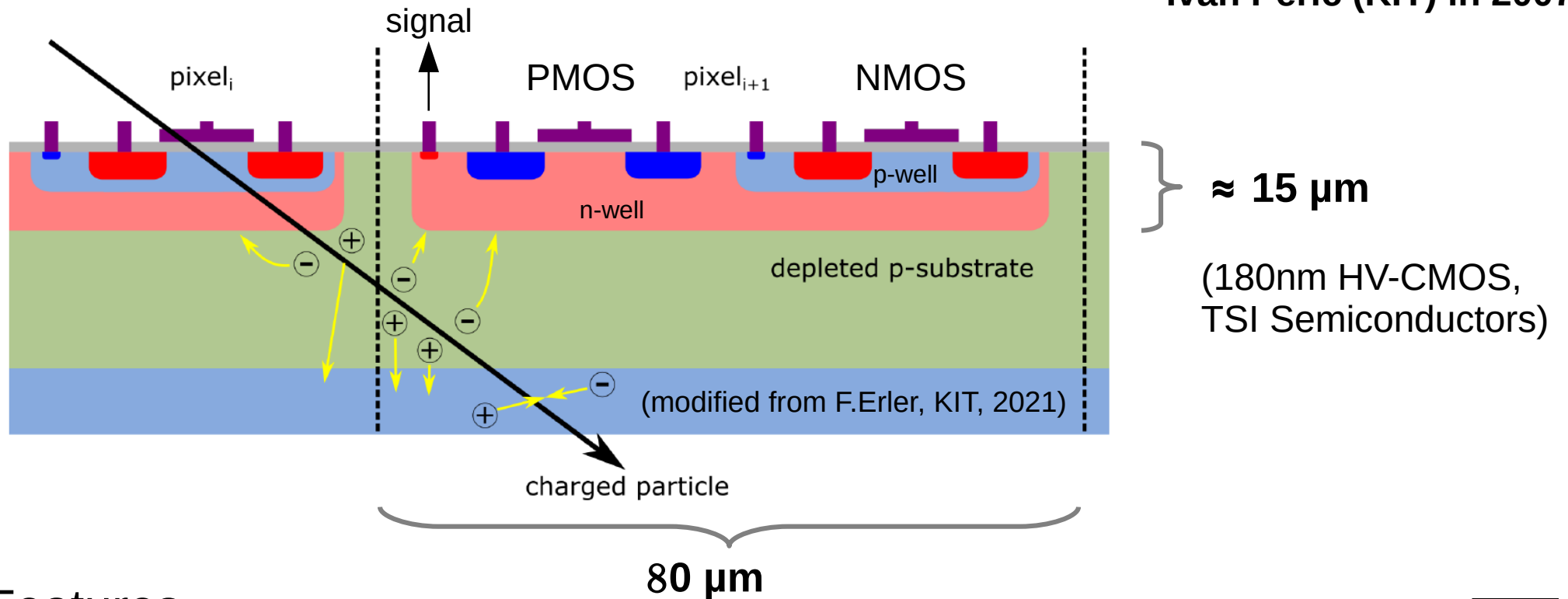
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- **Scintillating fibre detector** (3 layers a 250 μm , timing resolution <250 ps) $x/X_0 \sim 0.002$
- **Scintillating tile detectors** (tile size 1 mm^3 , timing resolution <100 ps)

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

first published by
Ivan Peric (KIT) in 2007



Main Features

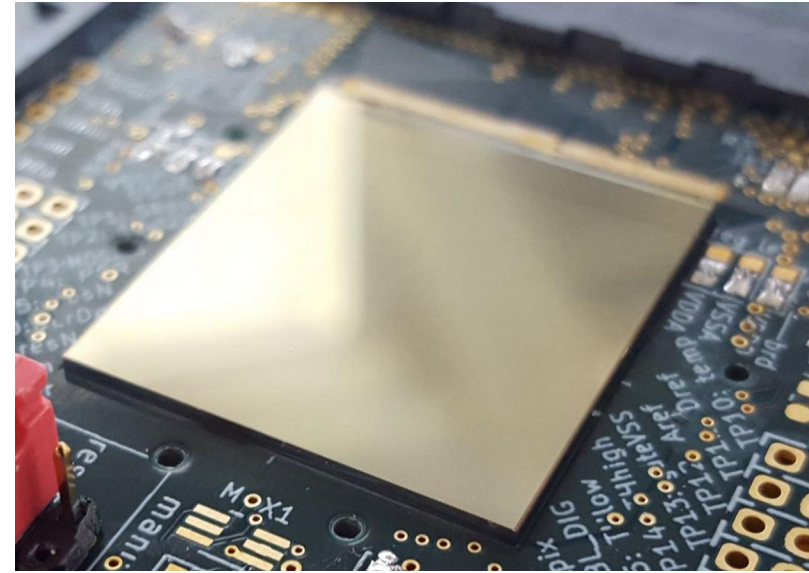
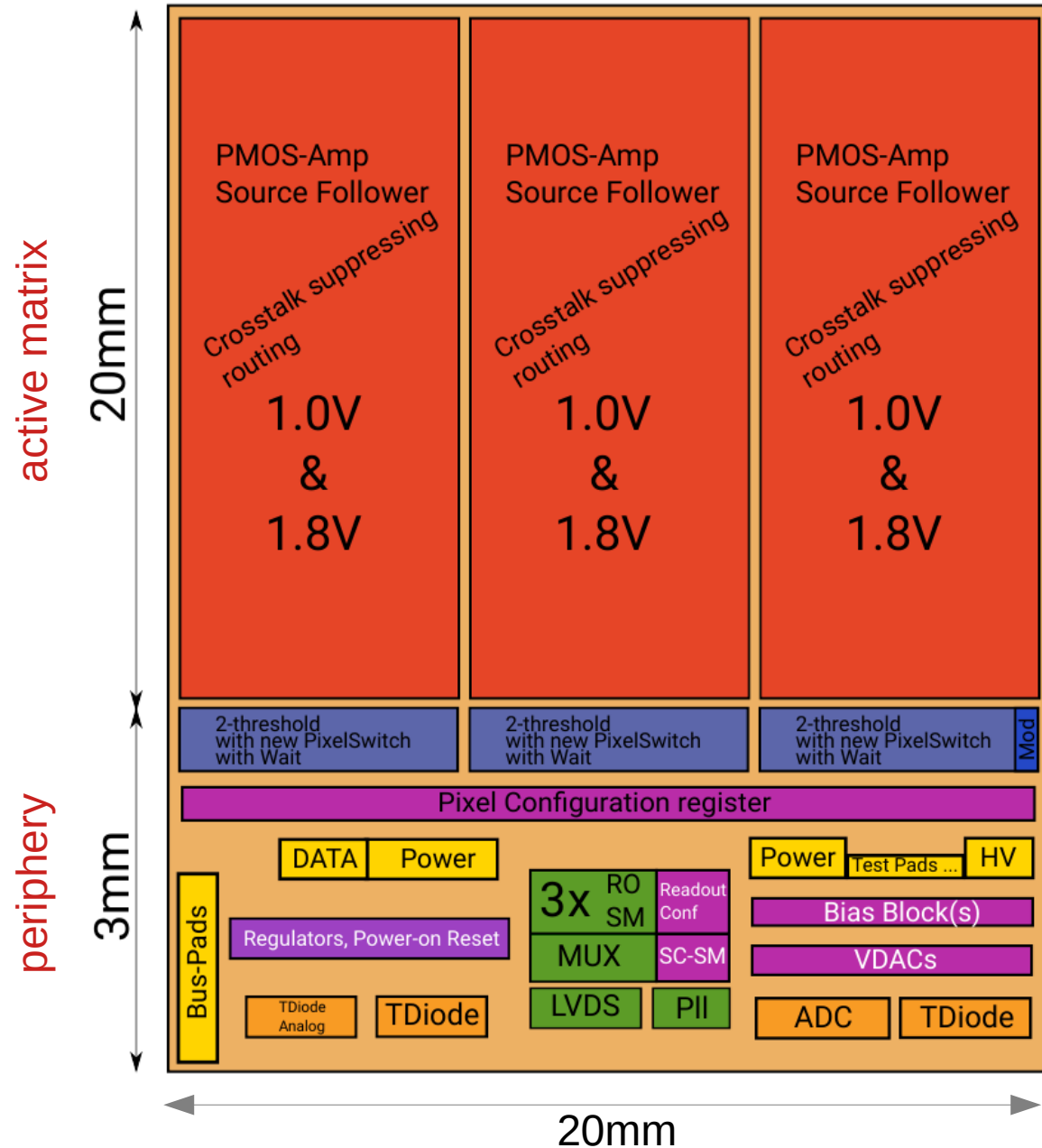
- **noise** is typically $O(100) e^-$
- **MIP signal** is $\sim 800 e^- / 10 \mu m$ depletion
- (zero suppressed) **continuous readout**
- **sensor can be made very thin!** (Mu3e: $50 \mu m$)

$$\text{depletion depth: } d \propto \sqrt{\rho \cdot U}$$

$$U = 20 - 100 V$$

$$\rho = 80 - 400 \Omega \cdot cm$$

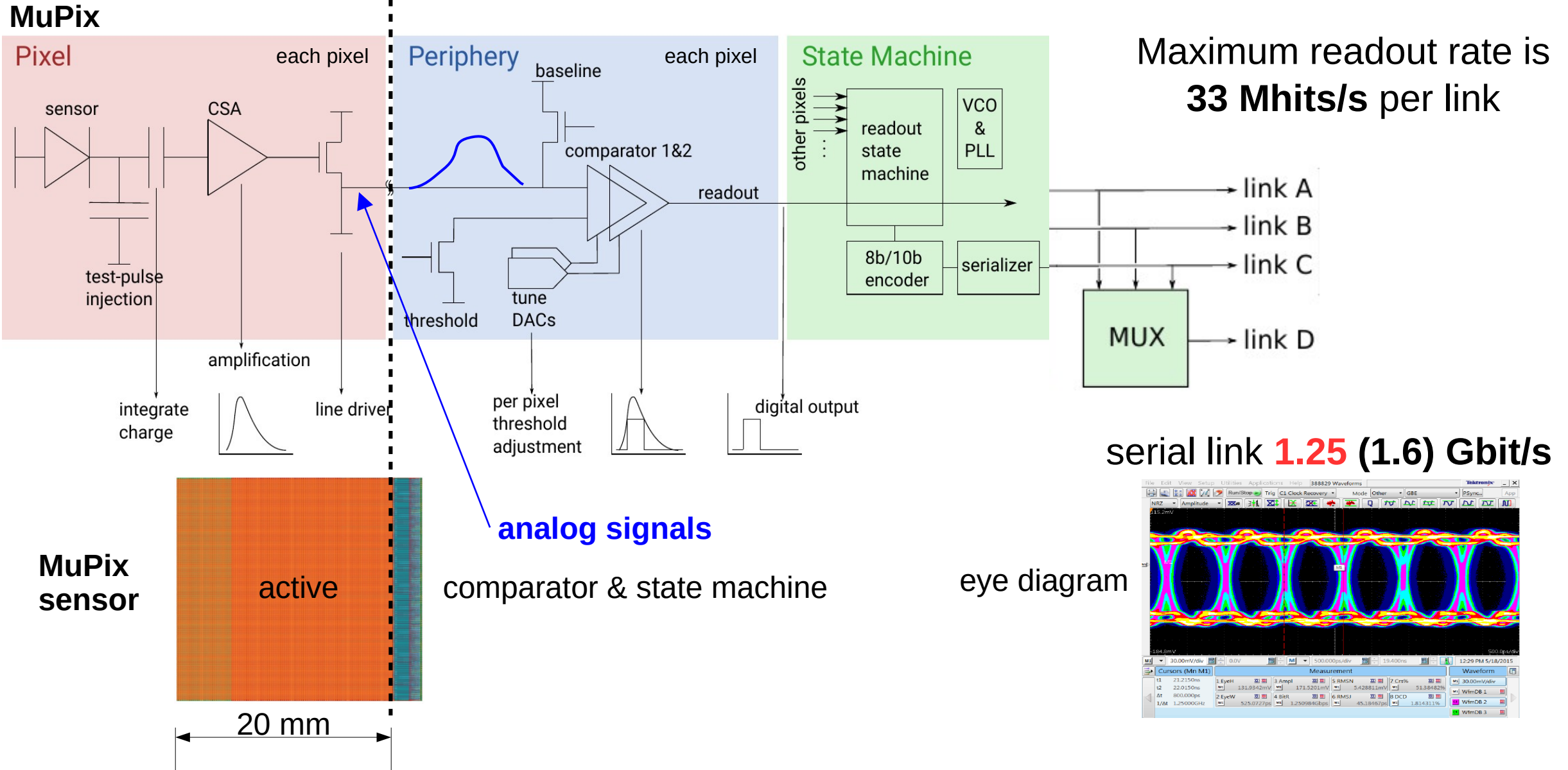
Mupix Design & Specifications (Phase I)



Specification from TDR

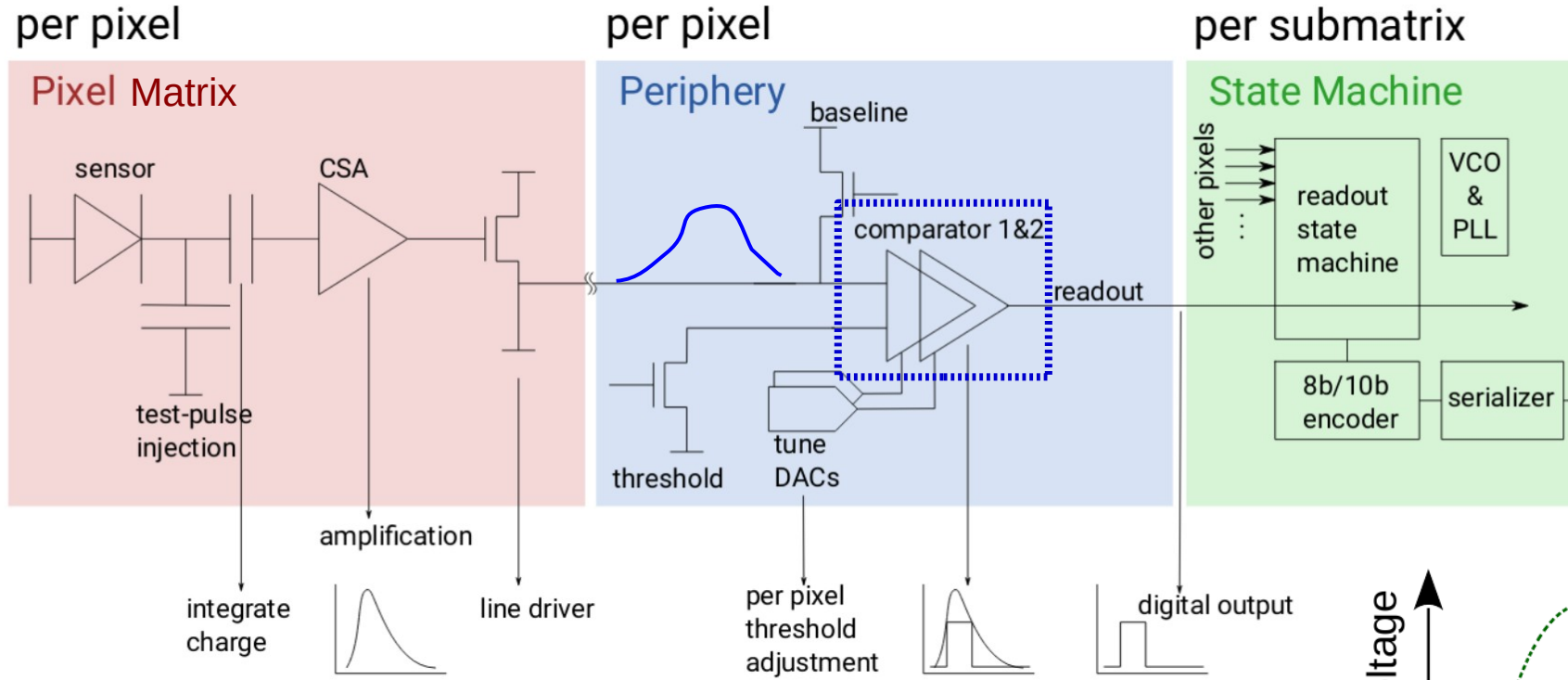
sensor dimensions [mm ²]	≤ 21 × 23
sensor size (active) [mm ²]	≈ 20 × 20
thickness [μm]	≤ 50
spatial resolution μm	≤ 30
time resolution [ns]	< 20
hit efficiency [%]	≥ 99
#LVDS links (inner layers)	1 (3)
bandwidth per link [Gbit/s]	≥ 1.25
power density of sensors [mW/cm ²]	≤ 350
operation temperature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

High Rate & Continuous Readout (MuPix)



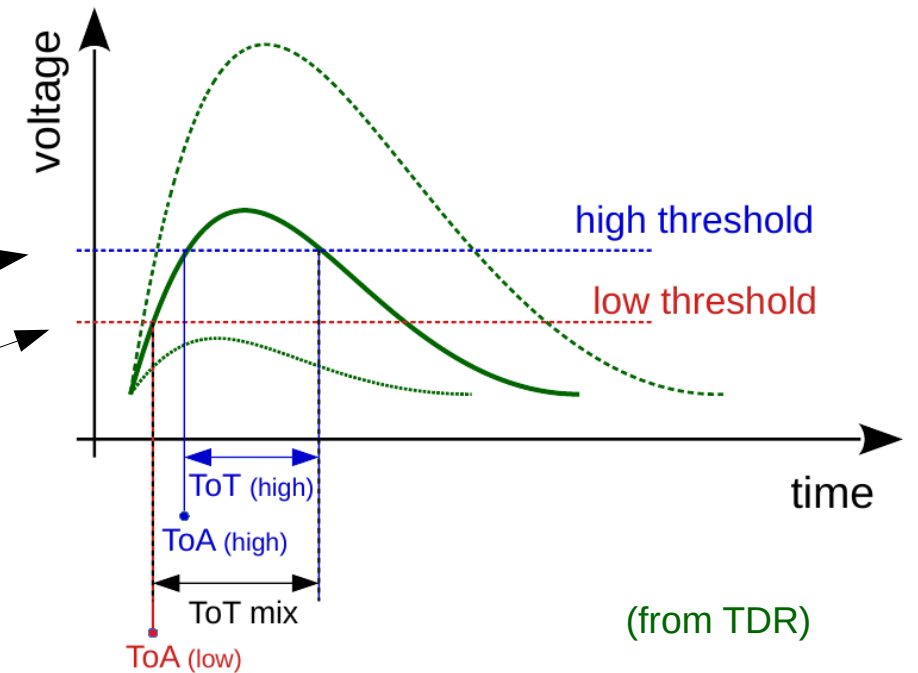
MuPix series is the first monolithic pixel sensor with continuous sampling and readout!

MuPix Two-Comparator Design



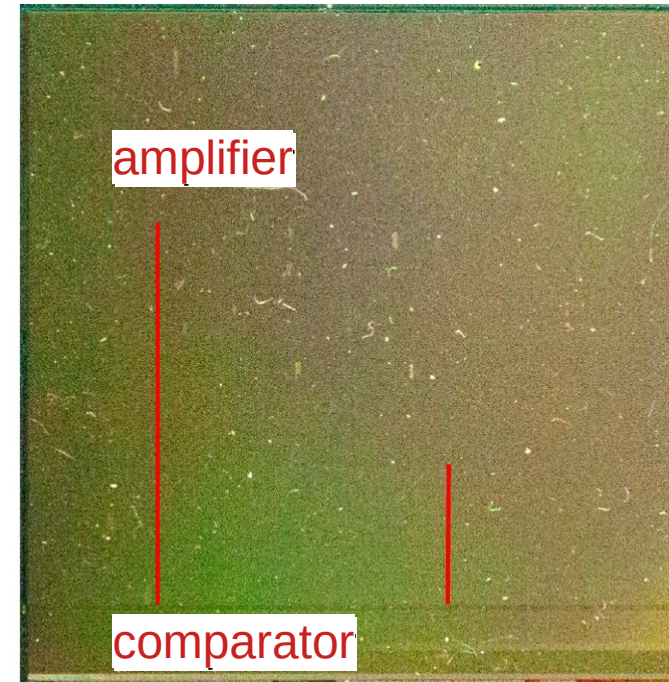
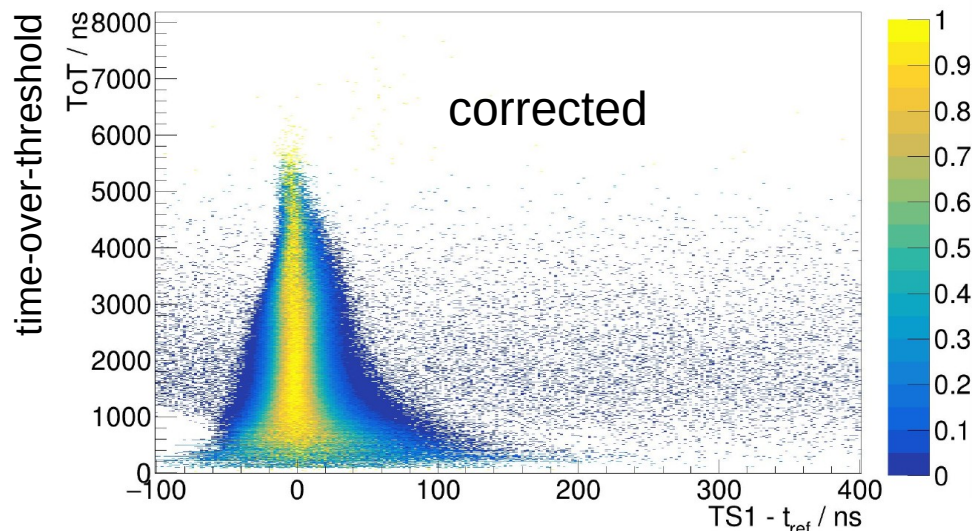
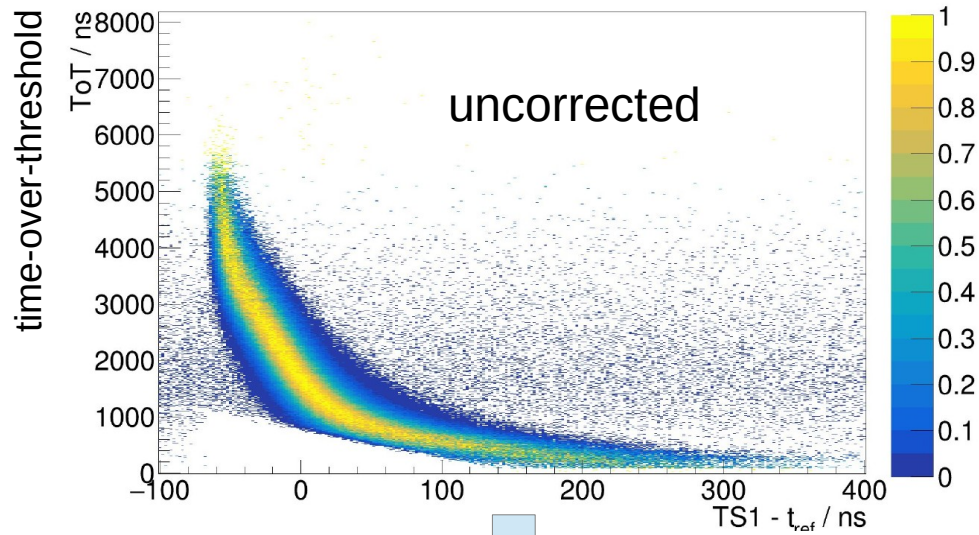
Two-comparator design

- use higher threshold for **hit validation**
 - use lower threshold to reduce **time walk (ToA)**
- timewalk mitigation



Timewalk in MuPix & Correction

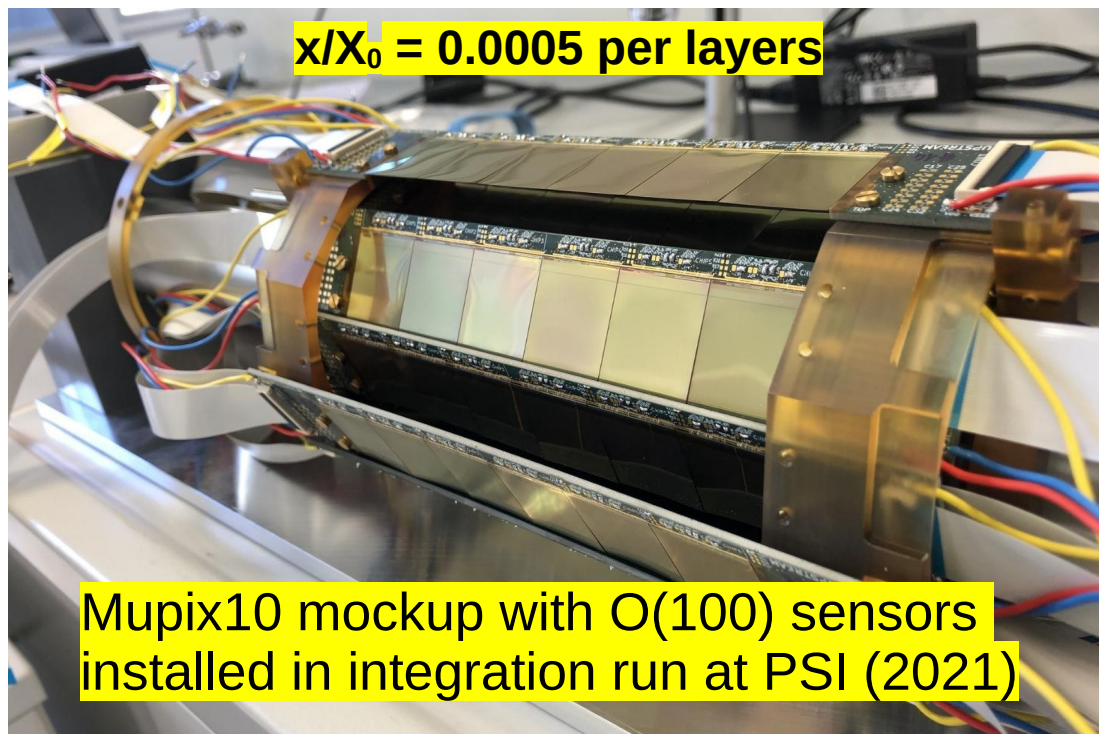
bachelor thesis F.Frauen, Heidelberg



64000 pixel →
64000 RO lines
in parallel!

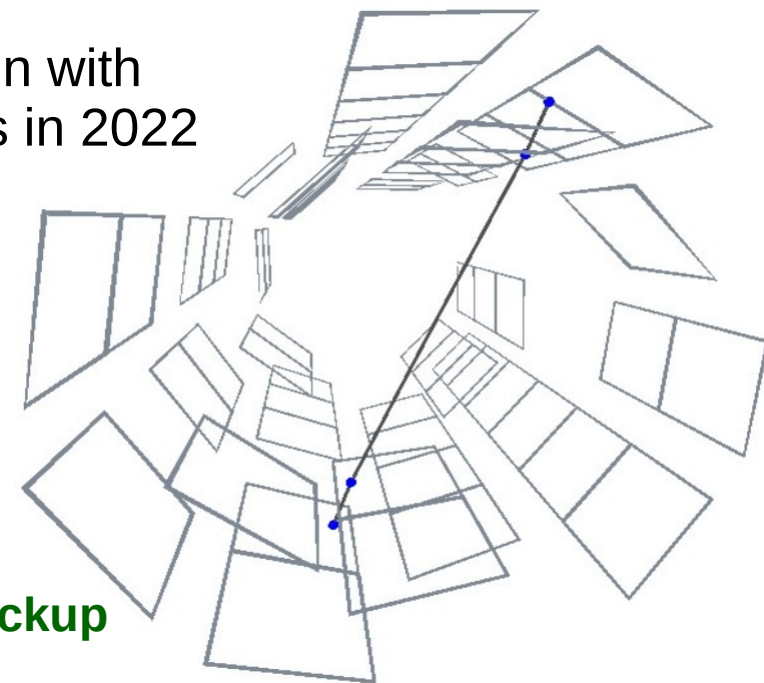
- timewalk effects from long routing lines (analog signal)
- correction possible by exploiting measured ToT
- **hit time resolution** after correction
→ **O(5 ns)** (digital RO over full sensor)
- good enough for **phase I rate of 1 μ decay every 10ns**

MuPix Status



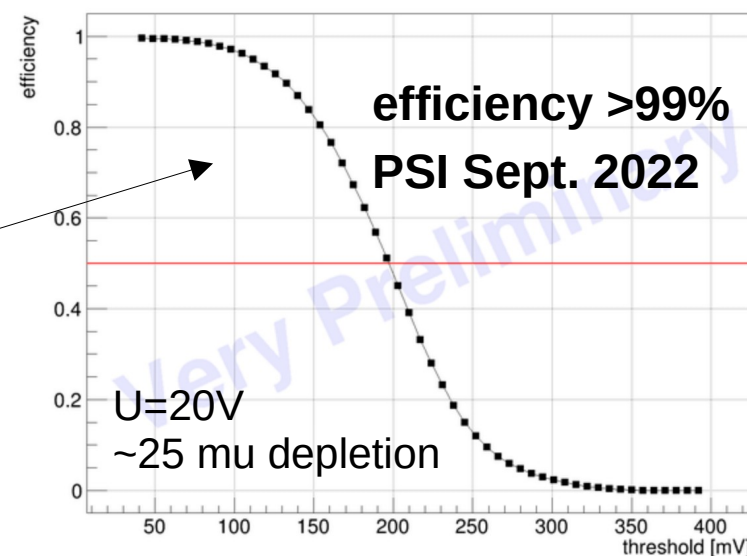
Integration Run with cosmic muons in 2022

4 out of 4 cosmic in Mu3e tracker mockup



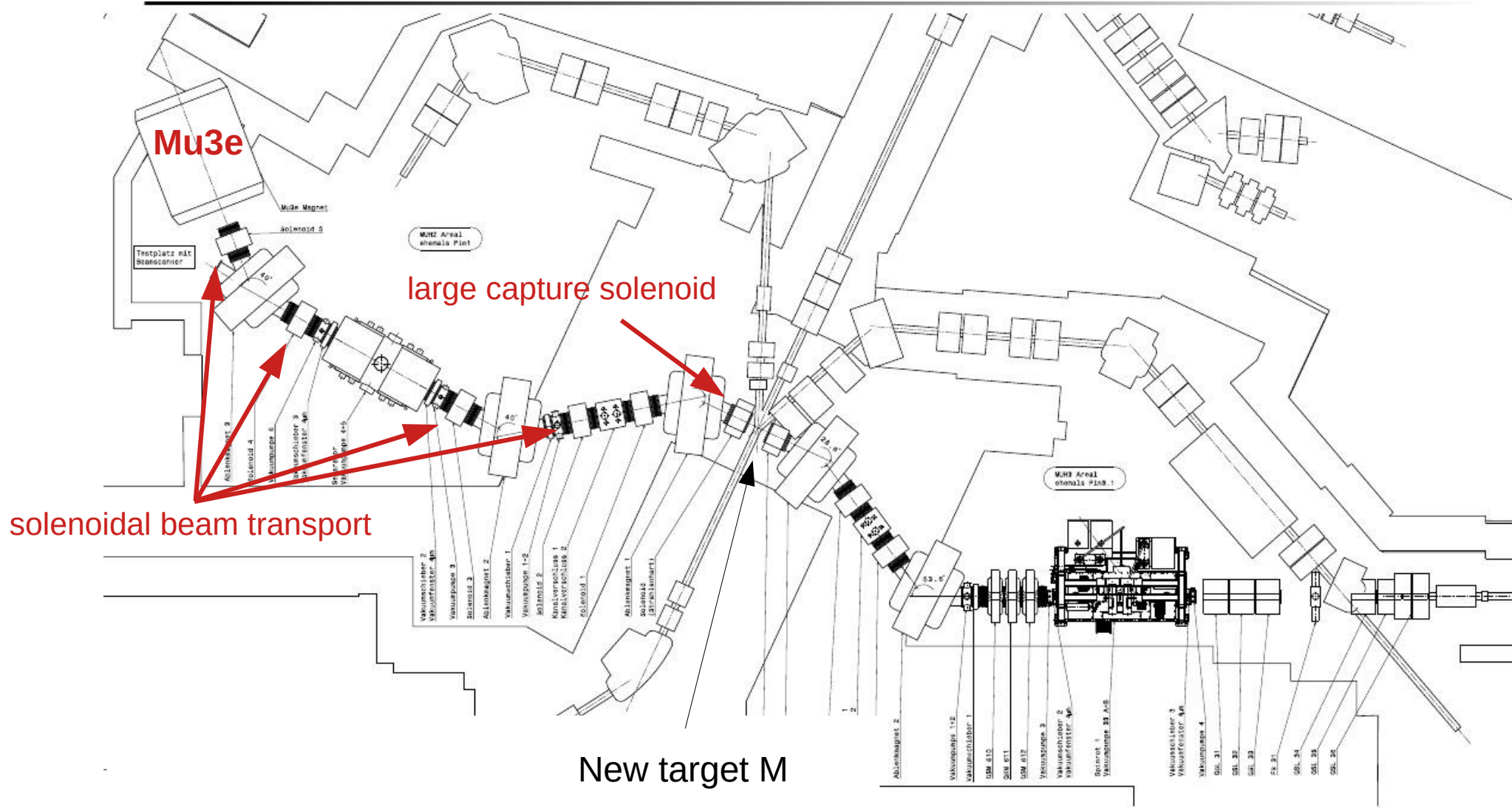
- MuPix11 engineering run Jan-August 2022
- First results in lab and in beam look promising
- Mupix11 production (6000 sensors) will start soon
- First data taking planned for 2024

Threshold scan:



Mu3e Phase II and High Intensity Muon Beamline (HIMB)

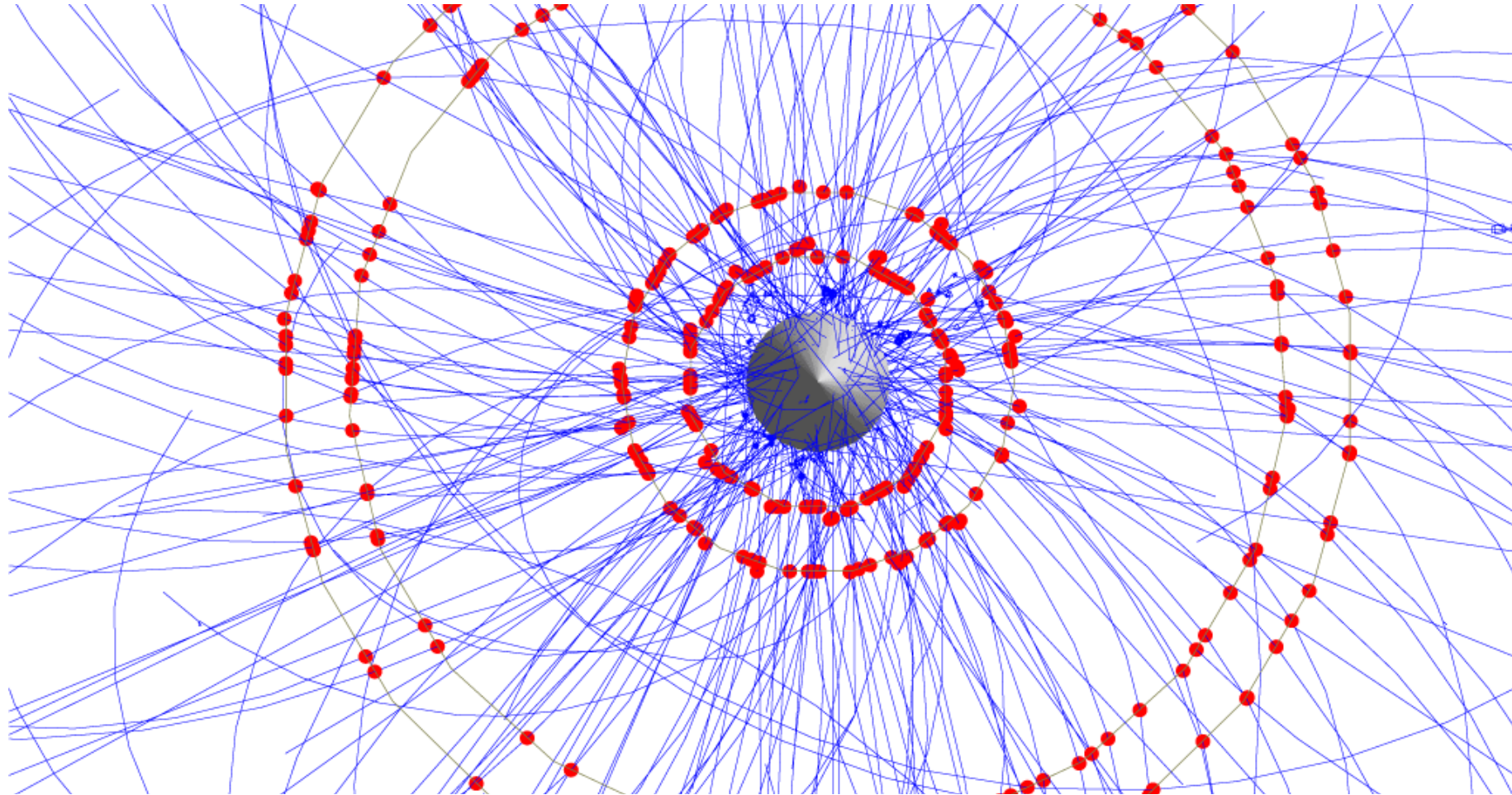
Goal: deliver up to 10^{10} muons/s to two beamline experiments (Mu3e, muSR)



Construction 2026-2028

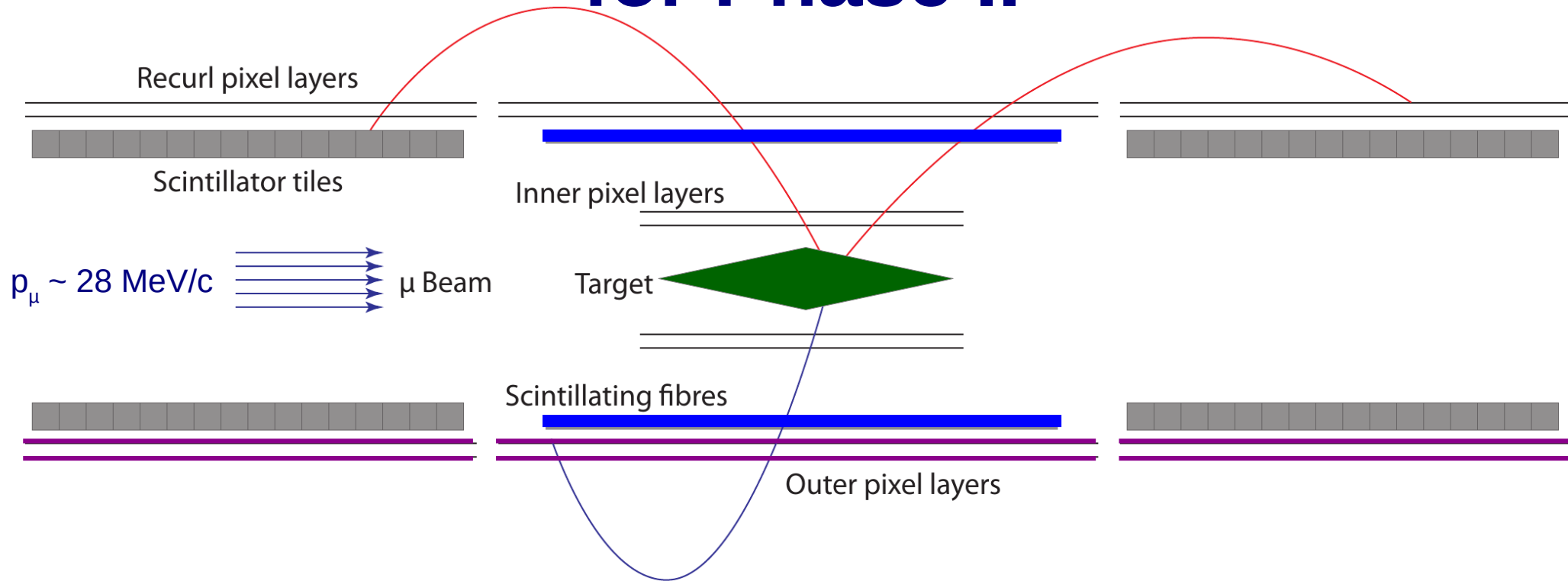
Projected Phase II Rate of ($2 \cdot 10^9$ muons/s)

50ns readout frame (100 muon decays):



Challenge: combinatorics and accidental background

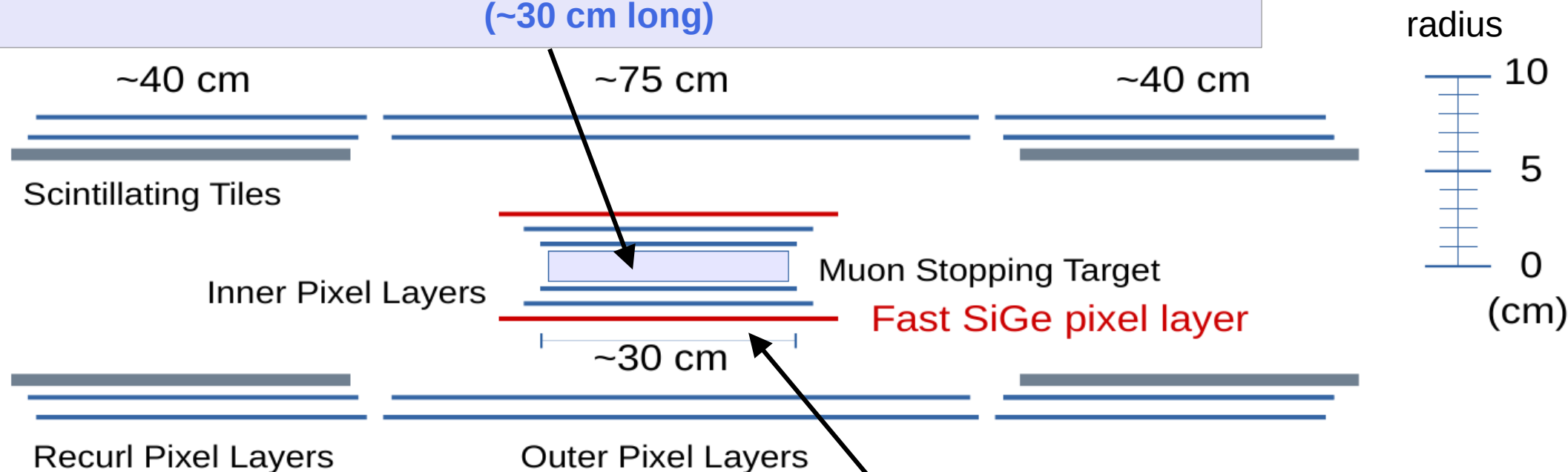
Improvements of the Mu3e Phase I Design for Phase II



- **Improve** timing of **MuPix pixel** tracker (1 m^2) : $O(5 \text{ ns}) \rightarrow O(1 \text{ ns})$
- **Replace Scintillating Fibres** with new monolithic pico-second timing silicon detector (\rightarrow project name: PicoPix)
- **Enlarge the size** of the **muon stopping target** to lower the hit occupancy in the inner detectors (\rightarrow **redesign** of experimental setup & **longer pixel modules**)

Tentative Phase II design (>2028)

Stop 2 · 10^9 muons on elongated mylar target or a special gas target
(~30 cm long)



from <https://arxiv.org/abs/2111.05788>

New Pixel MuPix Tracker → MuPix20:

- ~10 times higher hit rate on **inner pixel** layers
- ~20 times higher hit rate on **outer pixel** layers

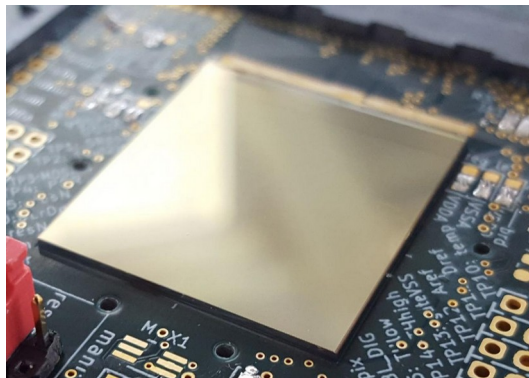
Fast SiGe pixel detector (“baseline”)

- radius 3-4 cm ; ~40 cm long: → 10^7 hits / (cm² s)
- 100-250 ps time resolution (not specified yet)

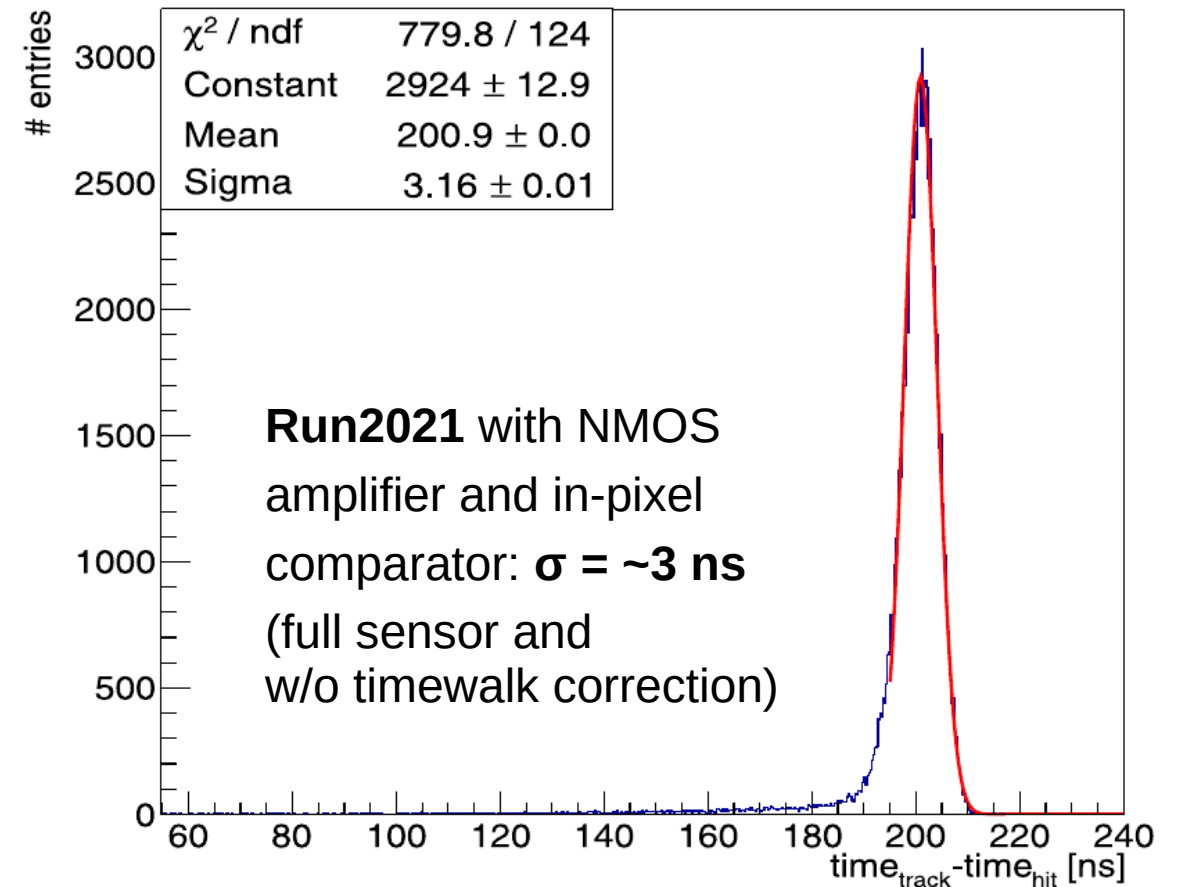
MuPix20 (next generation)

Planned changes with respect to Mupix11:

- **full CMOS** amplifier and comparator (TSI Semiconductors provides deep p-well)
- move hit **comparators** from periphery into pixel (like in MightyPix, TelePix)
 - better time resolution **O(1 ns)**
 - smaller periphery → reduced material
- **serial powering**
 - reduction of power lines
- **daisy chained and faster readout**
 - reduction of signal lines



MuPix20 will look like Mupix11



L. Huth et al. 2022

Fast Silicon Pixel Detector (Mu3e-Picopix)

Specification Requirements:

- radius 3-4 cm ; ~40 cm long → area 750-1000 cm²
- monolithic design
- small sensor thickness: $x/X_0 \leq 0.001$
- excellent time resolution **100-250 ps** (not specified yet)
- capable of high hit rates: → **10⁷ hits / (cm² s)**
- fast readout links ~1 Gbit (cm² s)
- maximum pixel size 1 mm x 1mm
- sensor size 10-20mm x 20mm
- maximum power dissipation **250 mW / cm²** (gaseous He cooling)



very challenging requirements

Considered Technologies

- IHP BiCMOS SiGe 130nm
- Monolithic sensor with gain layer in a modified industrial HV-CMOS process
- alternatives?

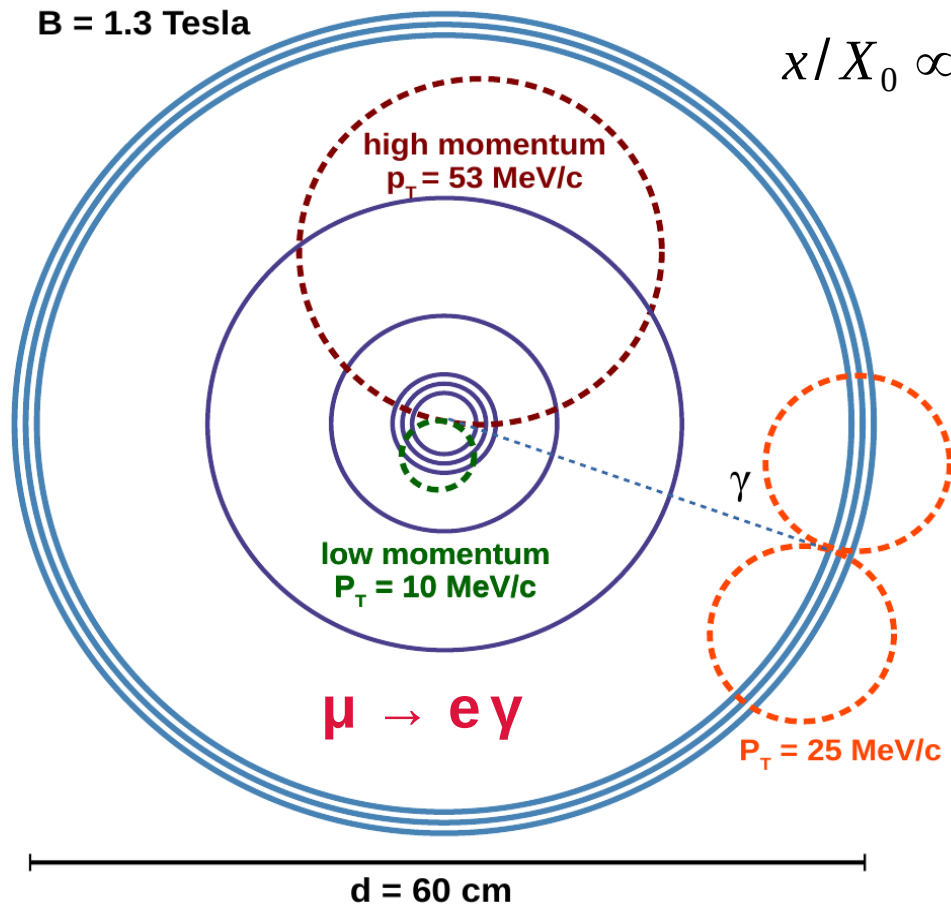
→ **only 5 years for R&D and production!**

another interesting idea

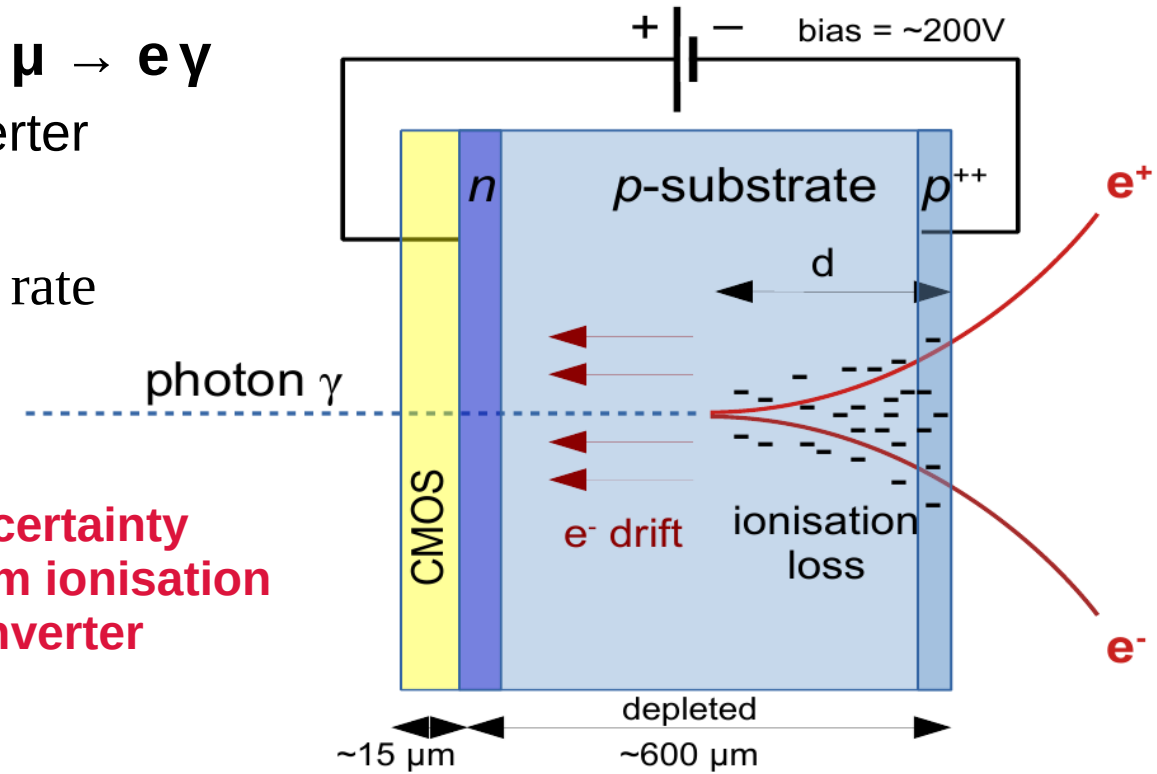
Mu3e-Gamma at HIMB with $O(10^{10})$ muon stops

Combine Mu3e $\mu \rightarrow e e e$ and MEG experiments $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$

- Gamma detection with a “thick” active photon converter



largest uncertainty comes from ionisation loss in converter



$$E_\gamma = p_{e^-} + p_{e^+} + E_{ion} + E_{brems}$$

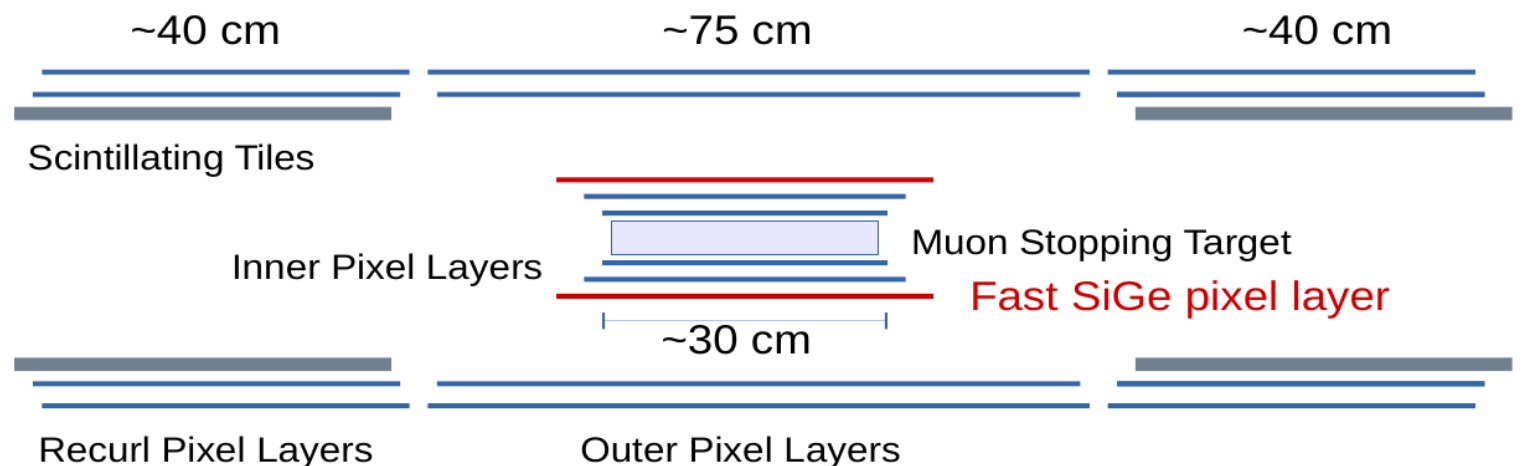
Idea: measure ionisation loss directly
 > more than 95% of the sensor are active!

First prototype (HVCMOS 180 nm, $\sim 8 \text{ k}\Omega \text{ cm}$) with high dynamic range works (Run2021)

In addition, To suppress accidental BG a timing resolution of **50 ps** is required. Add it to active converter?

Summary

- Mu3e is currently under construction
- **Phase I** data taking will **start in 2024**
- HIMB Upgrade will provide **20-100 times higher muon rates**
- Central scintillating fibre (timing) detector needs to be replaced by radiation harder technology providing
 - time resolution of **100-250 ps** (not yet specified)
 - **high rate** capability
 - extremely **low material** budget (monolithic)
- Consider SiGe BICMOS and alternatives
- **New groups and ideas** are highly welcome!



Backup

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

- Bristol
- Liverpool
- Oxford
- UC London

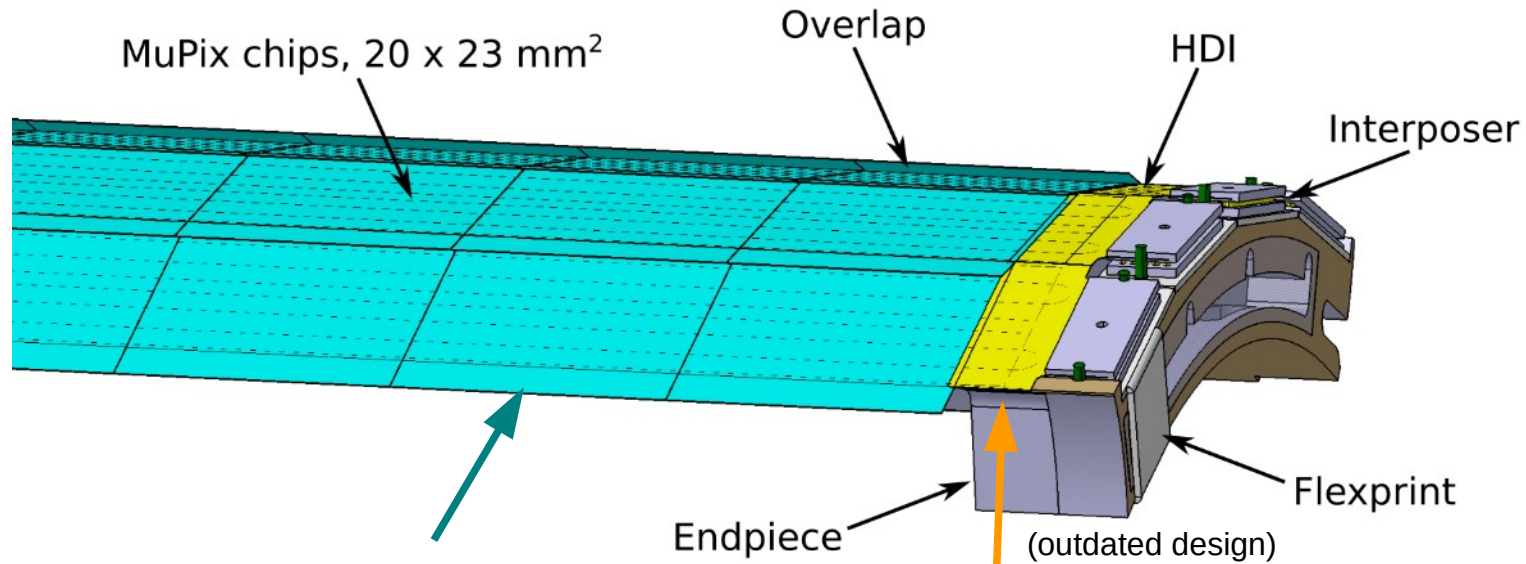


about 70 members; ~15 PhD students

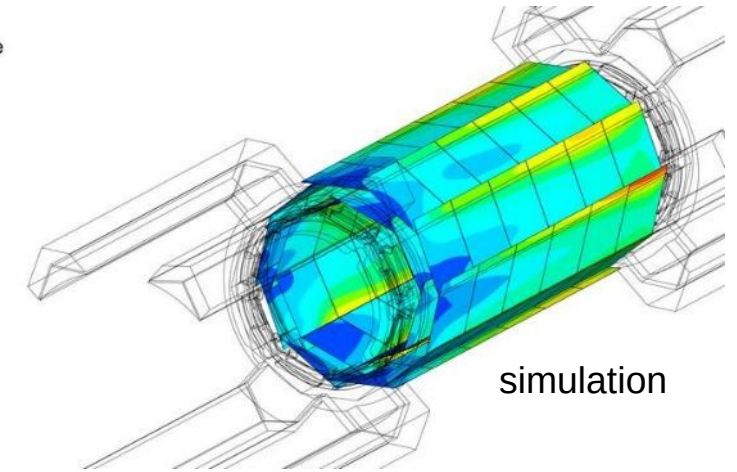
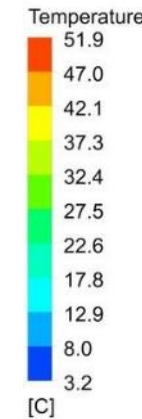
Mu3e Pixel Tracking Detector

→ very homogeneous material distribution

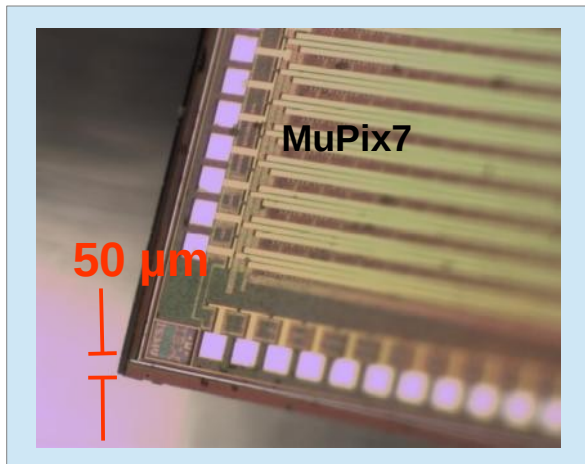
Ultra-thin pixel sensor modules ($X/X_0 = 1.15$ per mille)



Gaseous He-Cooling System

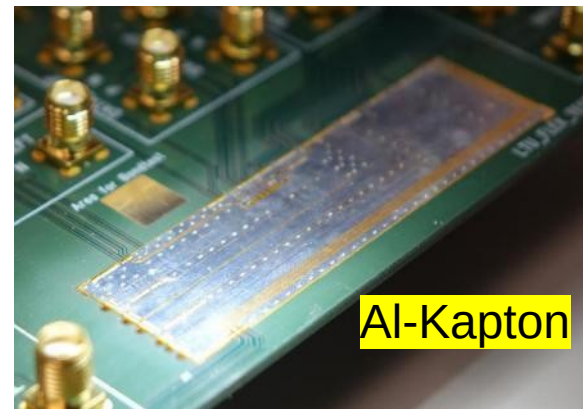


MuPix (HV-MAPS)

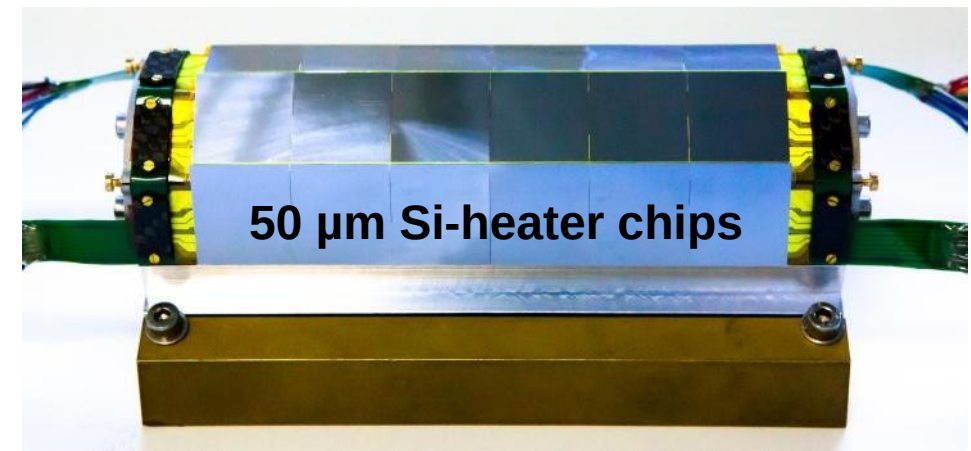


Monolithic pixel sensor in 180 nm HV-CMOS

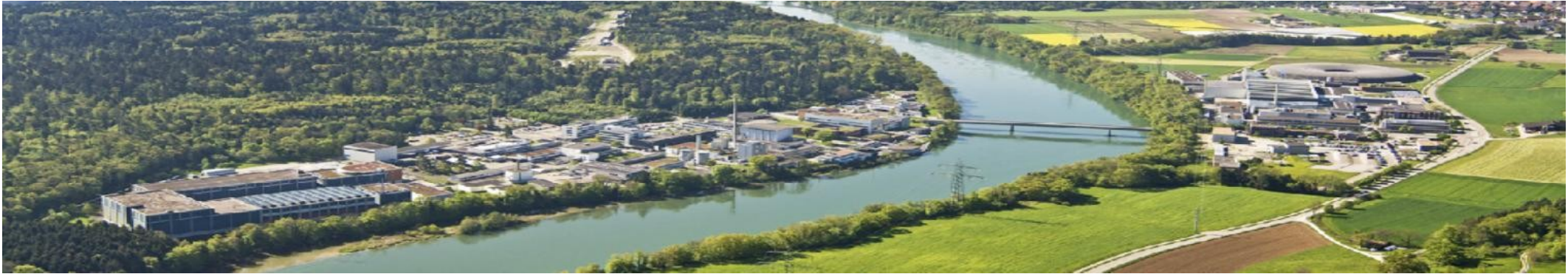
High Density Interconnect $d < 100 \mu\text{m}$ (LTU, Ukraine)



Thermo-Mechanical Mockup (vertex)



Paul-Scherrer Institut (Schweiz)

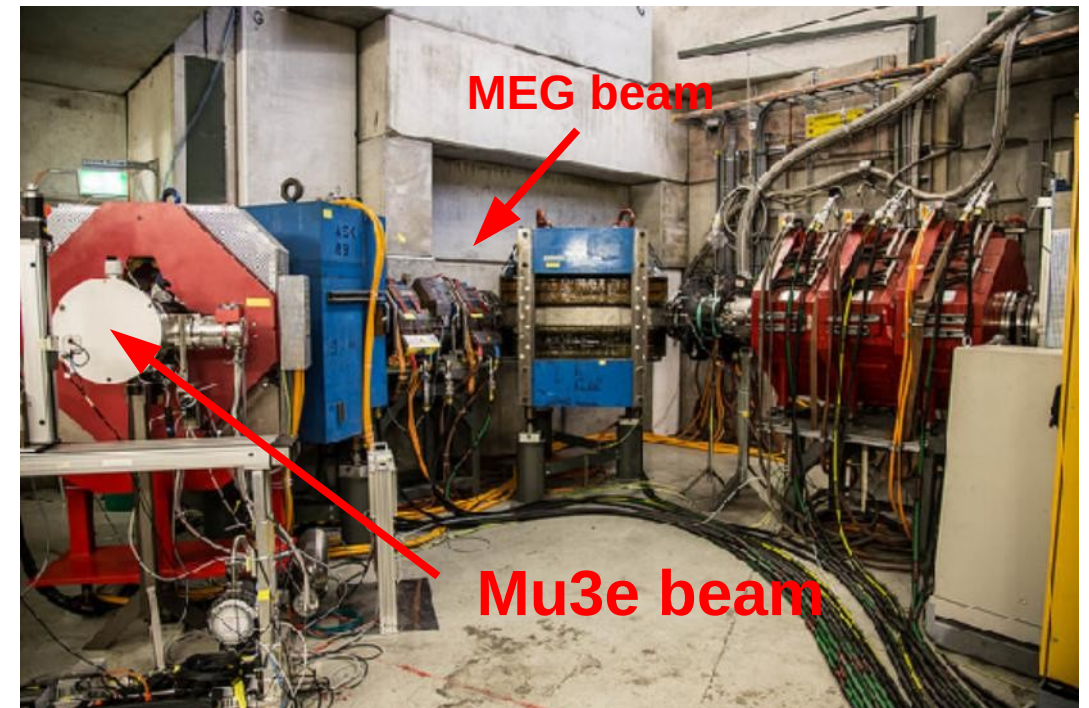


High intensity Proton Accelerator (HiPA) → 2.4 mA protons at 590 MeV (1.5 MW)

Muon Beam:

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

PiE5: Compact Muon Beamline for Mu3e



Comparison of Tracking Detectors

Pixel detectors

TRACKING DETECTOR	STAR PXL	BELLE II PXD	ALICE ITS II	Mu3e PTD
radiation length per layer in X_0	0.5%	0.2-0.5%	0.3-0.8%	0.11%

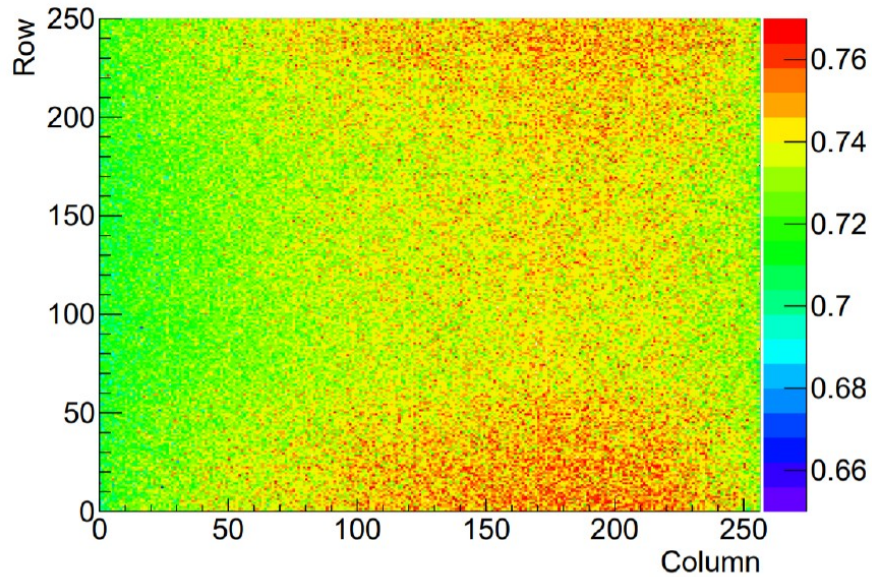
SINDRUM (1988) – Mu3e comparison

PARAMETER		SINDRUM	Mu3e
rel. momentum resolution σ_p/p	($p = 50$ MeV/c)	5.1%	0.8%
rel. momentum resolution σ_p/p	($p = 20$ MeV/c)	3.6%	0.5%
polar angle σ_θ	($p = 20$ MeV/c)	28 mrad	24 mrad
vertex resolution σ_{dca}		≈ 1 mm	280 μ m
radiation length per layer in X_0		0.08% - 0.17%	0.11%

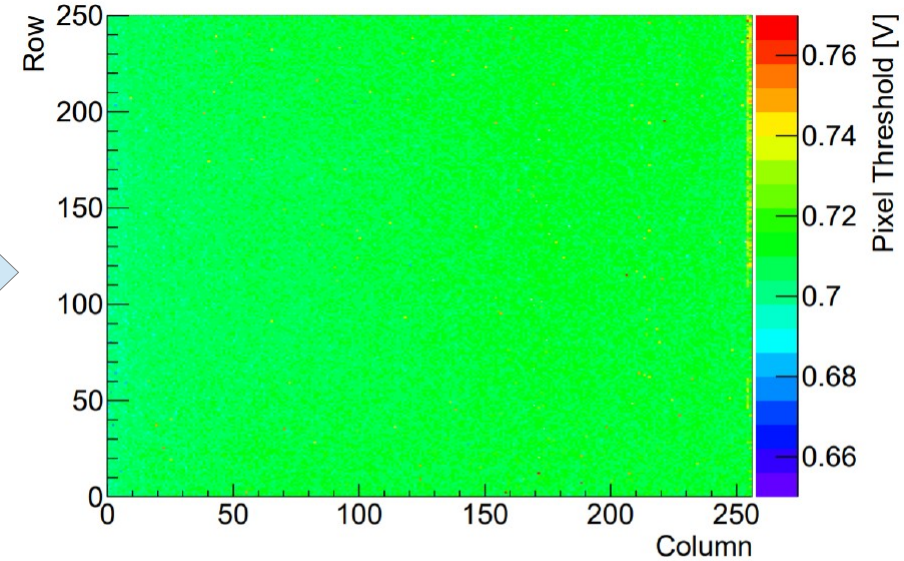
MPWC (gas) silicon pixel

Mupix10: Pixel Tuning of Comparator Threshold

(bachelor thesis M.Menzel, Heidelberg)

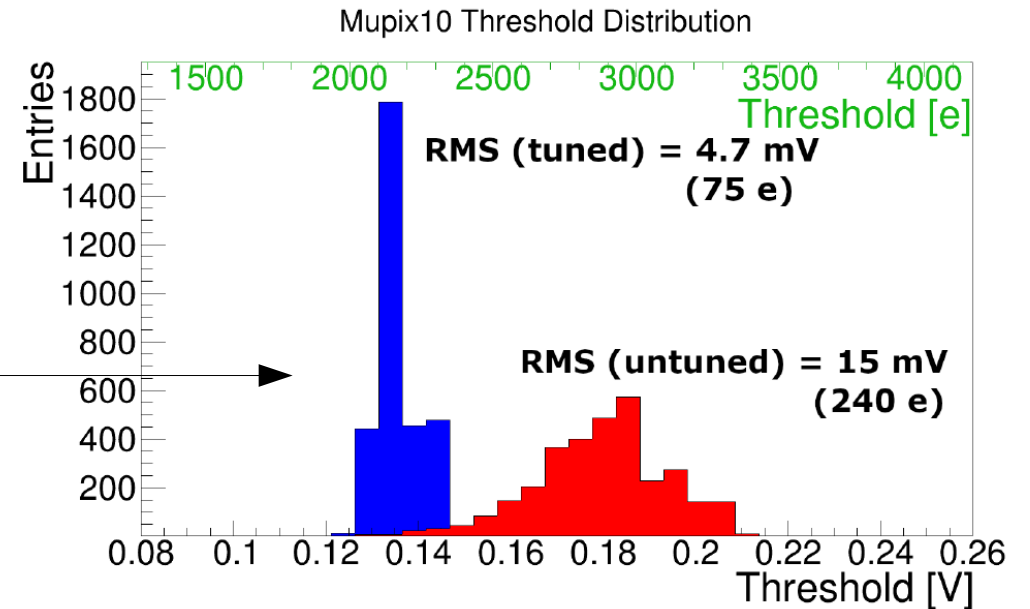


Untuned pixel threshold distribution.

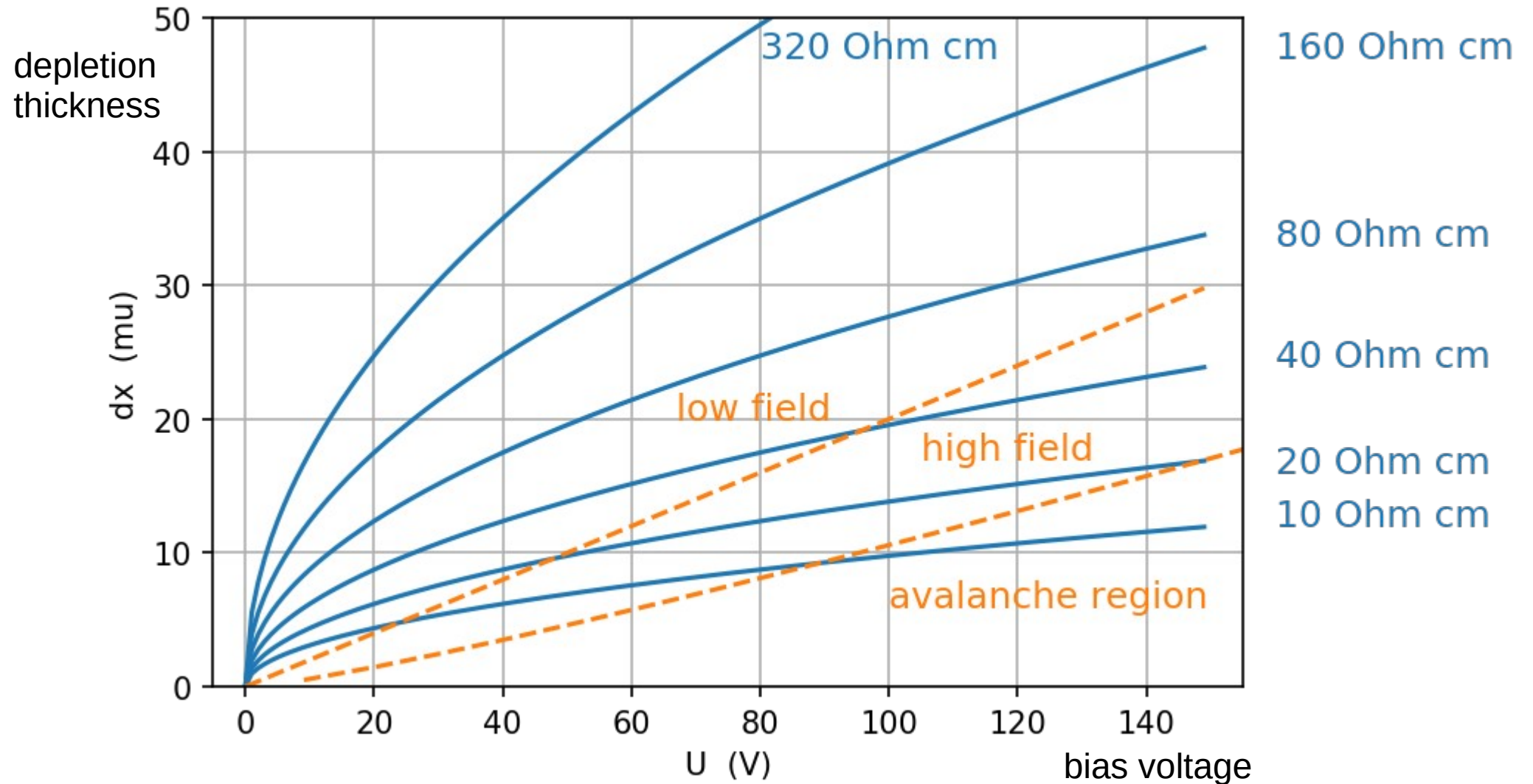


Tuned pixel threshold distribution.

- **3 bit tune** dac (digital-analog converter) per pixel
- tune with charge **injection**
- significant **dispersion reduction**



Depletion and Bias Voltage Relation



Low resistivity substrates provide high charge collection fields and small depletion

→ allows for thin sensors