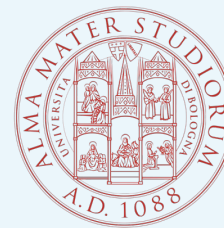




# A prototype electromagnetic calorimeter for the MUonE experiment: status and first performance results



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# Anomalous magnetic moment of the muon

$$\vec{M}_l = g_l \frac{e}{2m_l} \vec{S} \longrightarrow \text{Dirac prediction } g_l = 2$$

Quantum corrections give the **anomaly**:

$$a_l = \frac{g_l - 2}{2}$$

Experimental average FERMILAB-BNL

P. B. Aguillard et al., (2023) [arXiv:2308.06230](https://arxiv.org/abs/2308.06230)

VS

Theoretical reference value (WP)

T. Aoyama et al., (2020) [arXiv:2006.04822](https://arxiv.org/abs/2006.04822)

but...

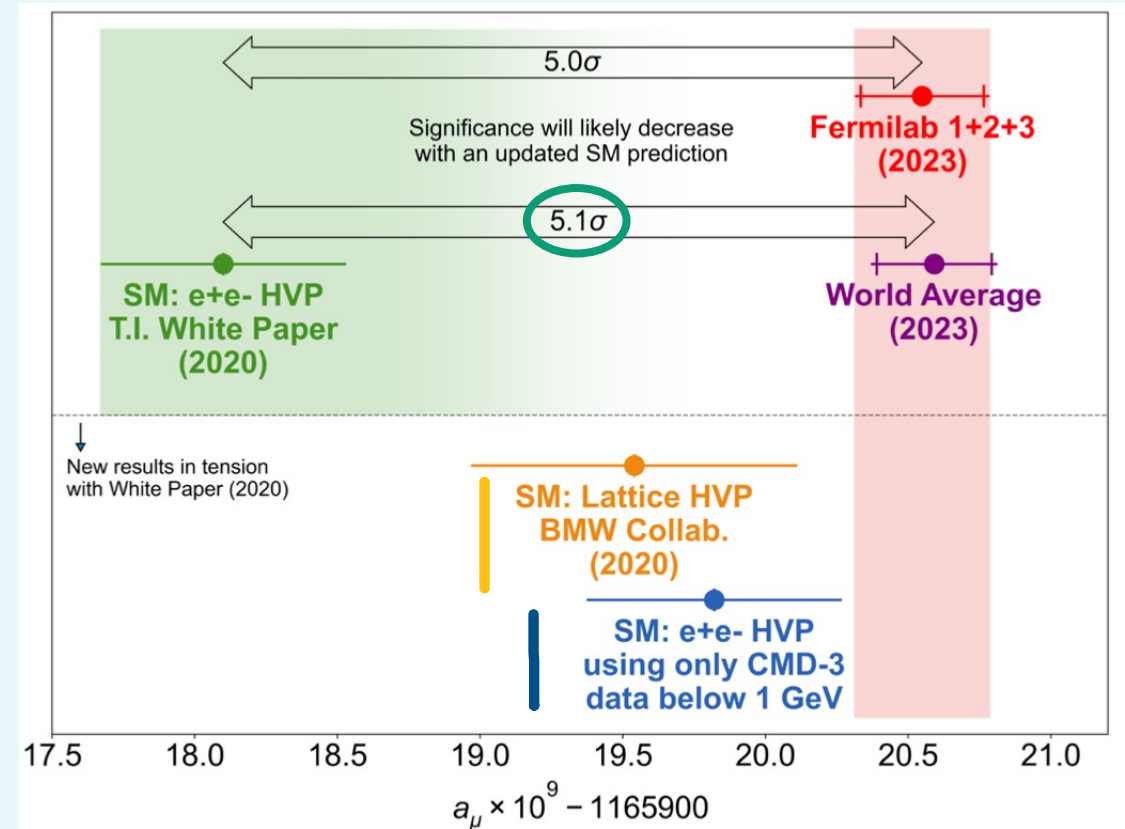
Most precise LQCD result

T. Borsanyi et al., (2021) [arXiv:2002.12347v3](https://arxiv.org/abs/2002.12347v3)

New result from  $e^+ - e^- \rightarrow \text{had}$  cross section with CMD-3 data

F. V. Ignatov et al., (2023) [arXiv:2302.08834](https://arxiv.org/abs/2302.08834)

Are those discrepancies still real? Hint of new physics?



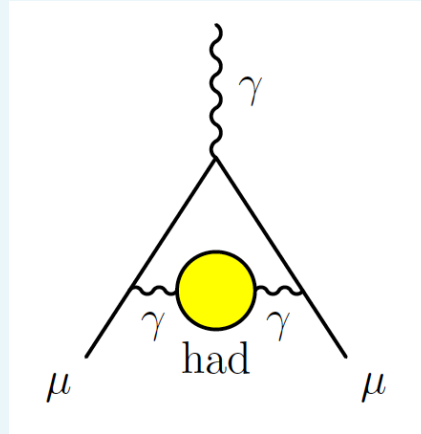
1. Reduce the **experimental** error  $\longrightarrow$  Fermilab g-2 goal (0.54 ppm (BNL)  $\rightarrow$  0.20 ppm  $\xrightarrow{\text{goal}}$  0.14 ppm)

2. Improve **theoretical** precision  $\longrightarrow$  Dominant contribution: LO hadronic vacuum polarization term  
 $< a_\mu^{HLO} \rightarrow 0.6\%$

# Anomalous magnetic moment of the muon

$$a_{\mu}^{SM} = \underbrace{a_{\mu}^{QED} + a_{\mu}^{EWK}}_{\text{Precise estimates from perturbation theory}} + a_{\mu}^{had} + \text{higher order terms}$$

$a_{\mu}^{HLO}$



Hadronic contribution to the LO vacuum polarization term  $a_{\mu}^{HLO}$  is not calculable through pQCD

Dominates theoretical uncertainty → **0.6%**

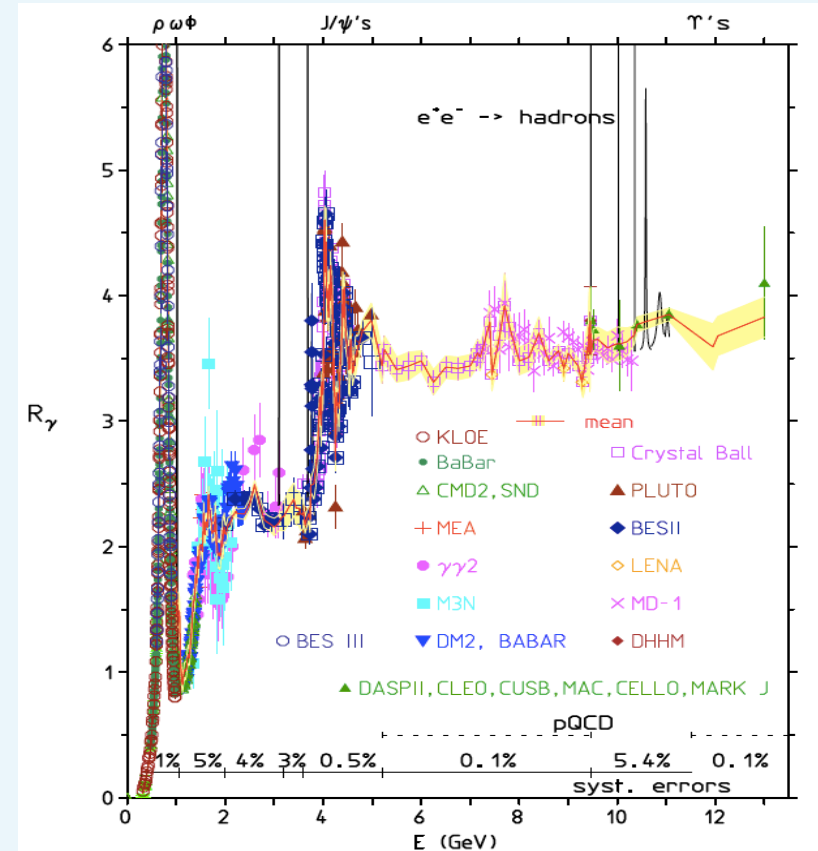
Reference approach (WP before BMW) is data-driven:

$$a_{\mu}^{HLO} = \left(\frac{\alpha m_{\mu}}{3\pi}\right)^2 \int_{4m_{\pi}^2}^{\infty} ds \frac{\hat{K}(s) R_{had}(s)}{s^2} \longrightarrow R_{had}(s) \propto \sigma(e^{-}e^{+} \rightarrow had) \text{ measurements}$$

Alternative methods are needed

Main contribution: region of low energies, highly fluctuating because of hadronic resonances and threshold effects

New  $a_{\mu}^{HLO}$  with data from CMD-3  $\sigma(e^{-}e^{+} \rightarrow had)$  and with LQCD (BMW) weaken  $\Delta a_{\mu}(th - exp)$  discrepancy, introducing some tensions with the reference theoretical estimate.



# MUonE proposal

Independent estimate of  $a_\mu^{HLO}$  through innovative method:

C.M. Carloni Calame, et al. [Phys.Lett.B746\(2015\)325](#)

$$a_\mu^{HLO} = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \int_0^1 dx (1-x) \Delta\alpha_{had}[t(x)] \xrightarrow{\text{Smooth function}}$$

Space-like

Proposed process to measure  $\Delta\alpha_{had}$ : elastic scattering

G.Abbiendi et al., [Eur.Phys.J.C77\(2017\)139](#); B. E. Lautrup et al., [Phys. Rept. 3 \(1972\) 193](#)

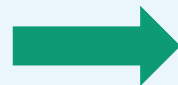
$$\mu (160\text{GeV}) + e^-(\text{rest}) \rightarrow \mu + e^-$$

M2 muon beam at CERN SPS

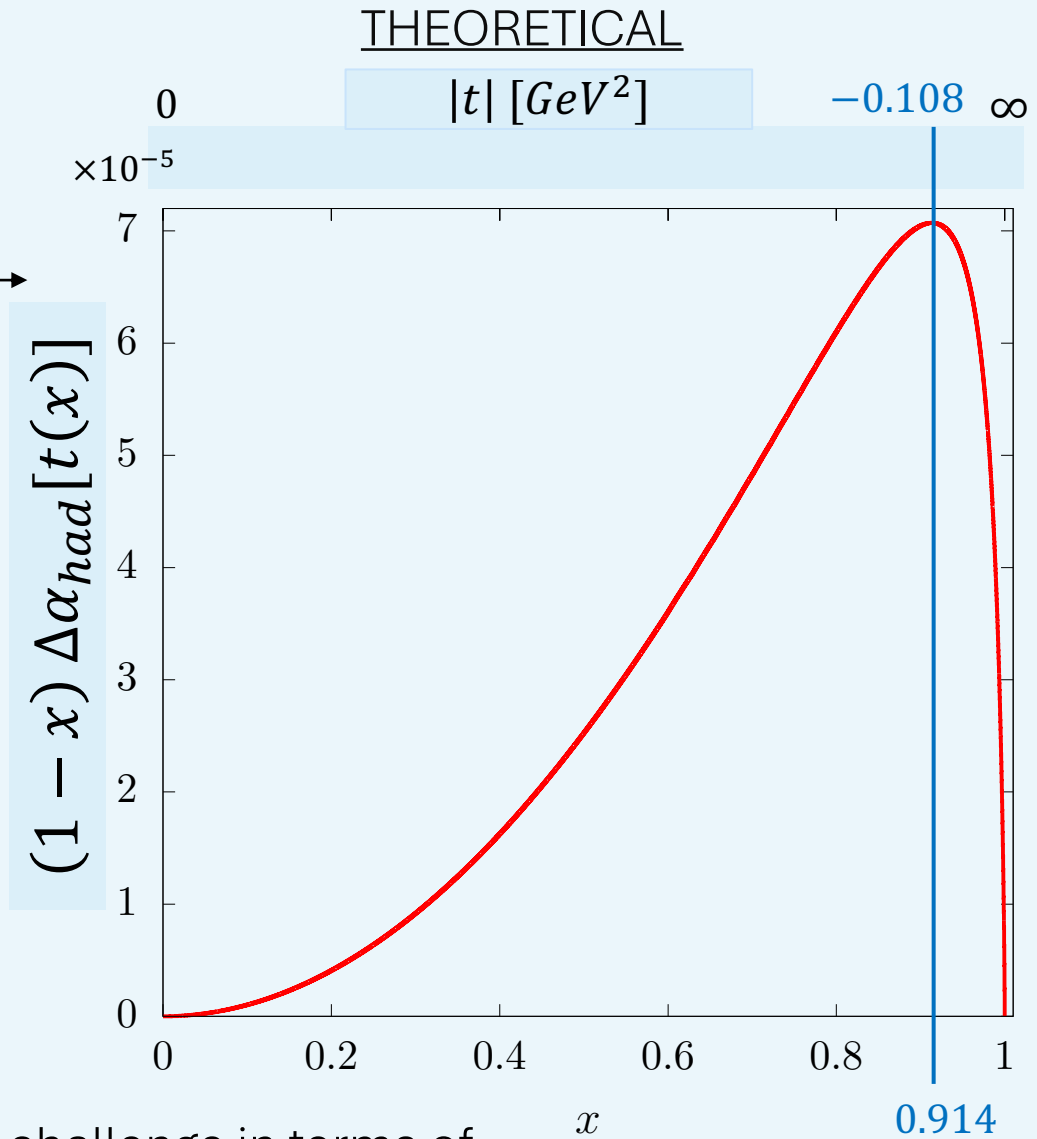
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \frac{d\sigma_0}{dt} \left| \frac{1}{1 - \Delta\alpha(t)} \right|^2 \xrightarrow{\text{Template fit}} \Delta\alpha_{had}(t) \xrightarrow{\text{Master integral}} a_\mu^{HLO}$$

$\Delta\alpha(t) = \Delta\alpha_{lep}(t) + \Delta\alpha_{had}(t)$

Required precision on  $a_\mu^{HLO} < 1\%$  implies a relative precision of  $\sim 10^{-5}$  on the shape of the elastic differential cross section



Great challenge in terms of required precision!



# $\mu - e$ elastic scattering

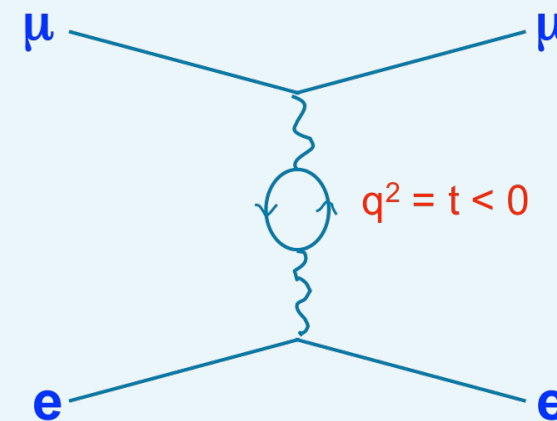
Simple kinematics relations ( $t \leftrightarrow \theta_l$ )

$$\frac{d\sigma_{el}}{dt} \longleftrightarrow \frac{d\sigma_{el}}{d\theta_l}$$

Measuring the leptons scattering angles

Precise correlation

Helps in the selection of purely elastic events

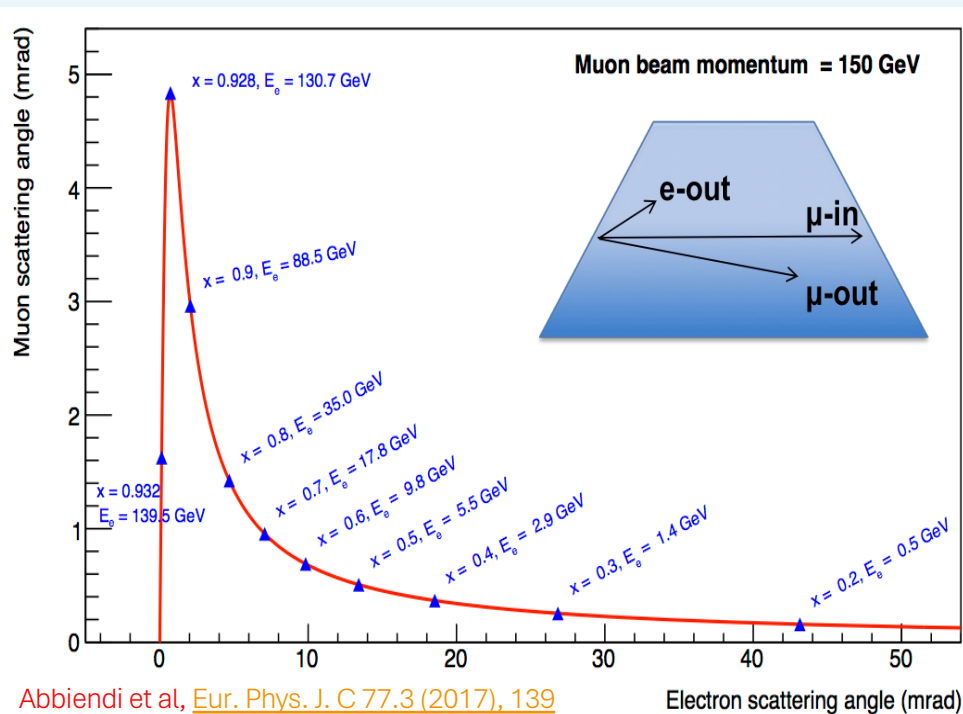


Radiative events with real photons are expected

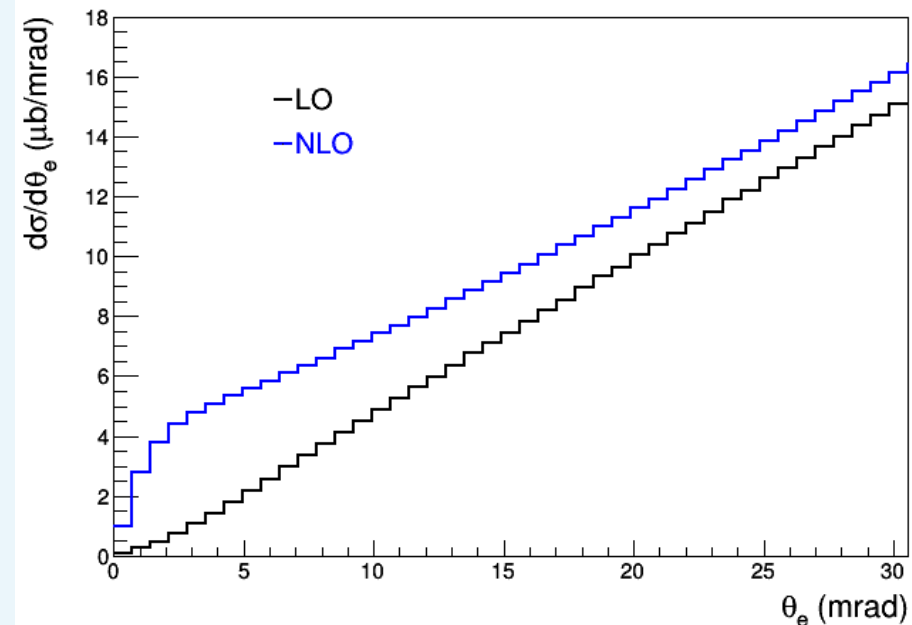
$$0 < \theta_\mu < 5 \text{ mrad}$$

$$0 < \theta_e \lesssim 50 \text{ mrad}$$

**ELASTIC CURVE**

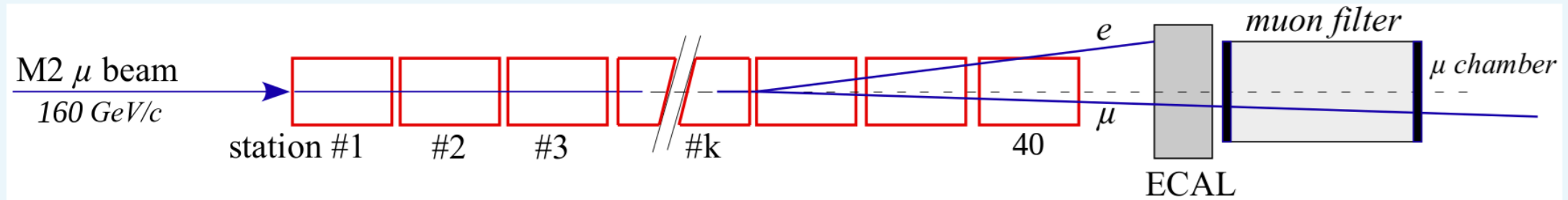


## DIFFERENTIAL CROSS SECTION



# Experimental apparatus

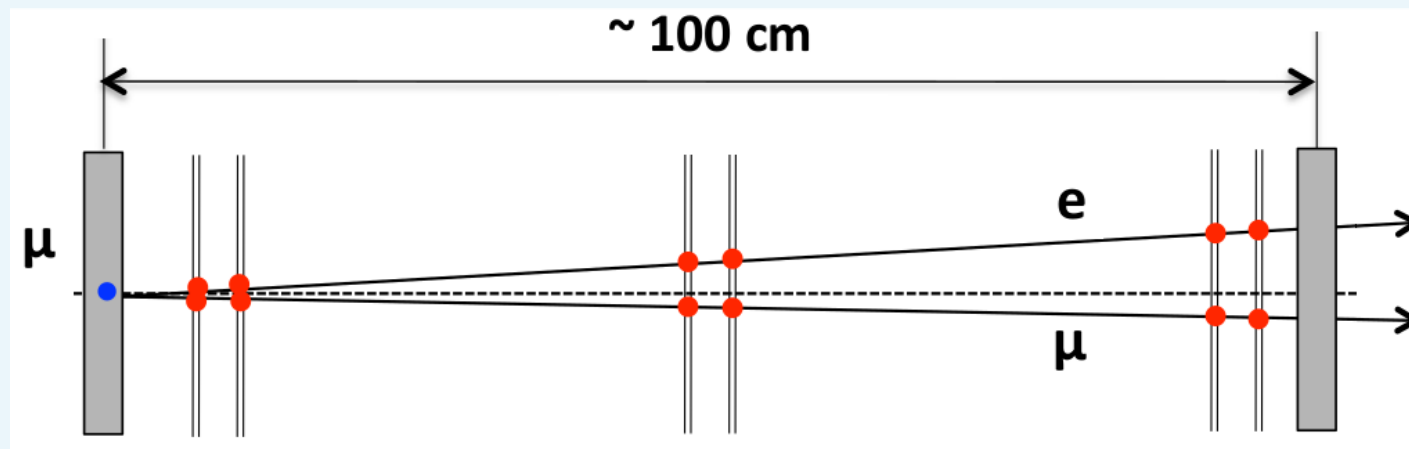
40 tracking stations + Electromagnetic calorimeter + Muon chambers



Each tracking station behaves as an independent *detector*

- 1 beryllium or carbon target ( $1.5 \text{ cm}$ )
- 6 silicon strip modules (CMS 2S modules)

[CMS Collaboration, Technical design report \(2017\)](#)



Letter of Intent: The MUonE Project, [SPSC-I-252](#)

# Electromagnetic calorimeter

Reduced format for **Test Run** aimed at the validation of the experimental proposal

- 25 cells in  $PbWO_4$  ( $22 X_0$ ) (from CMS endcaps calorimeter)
- Surface  $\sim 14 \times 14 \text{ cm}^2$
- Readout: **APDs** read out by two **FEBs** connected to a **FC7** board

Larger size w.r.t. CMS ones:  $\text{-----}$   $\rightarrow$  Affects **observed signal size**  
**and energy resolution**

expected 9 pe/MeV

**Rms noise:** 4 ADC counts (single crystal)

According to hardware specifics:

$$150000 \text{ MeV} \times 9 \frac{\text{pe}}{\text{MeV}} \times 50 = 6.75 \times 10^7 e \approx 28723 \text{ ADC count}$$

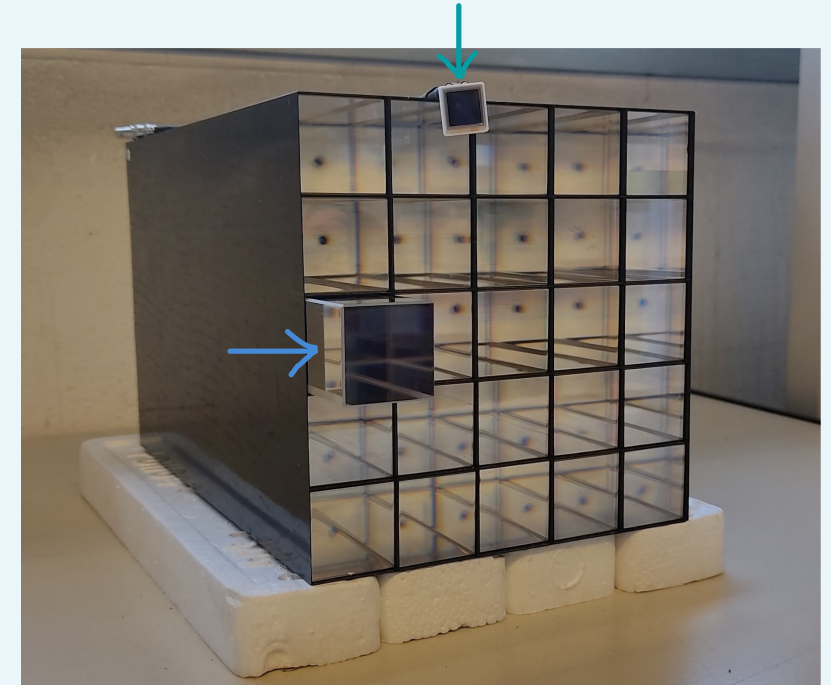
$\downarrow$   
150 GeV  $e^-$

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APD gain

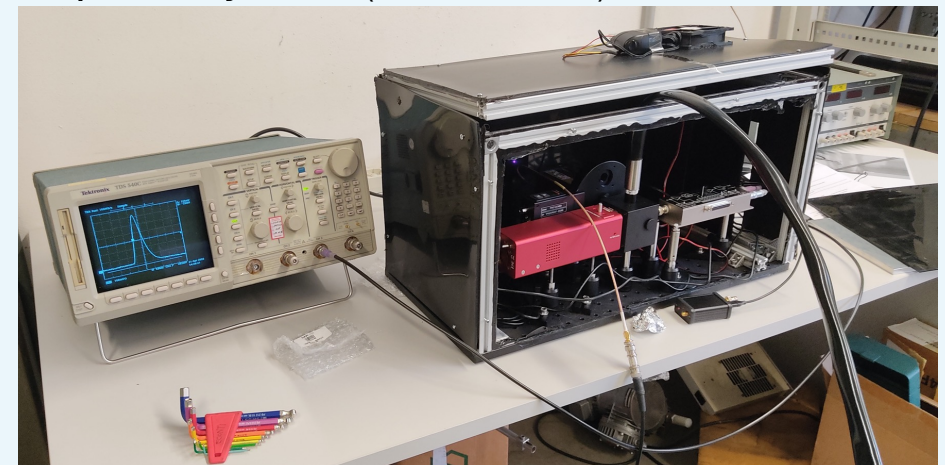
**System noise:** dominated by MGPA (CMS one)

1. Determining the ability to identify beam muons (160 GeV  $\rightarrow$  700 MeV signal)
2. Expected **energy resolution**:  
 $\sim 5 - 7\%$  at 700 MeV

MGPA specifics: [M.Raymond et al., 10.1109/TNS.2005.850979 \(2005\)](https://arxiv.org/abs/10.1109/TNS.2005.850979)



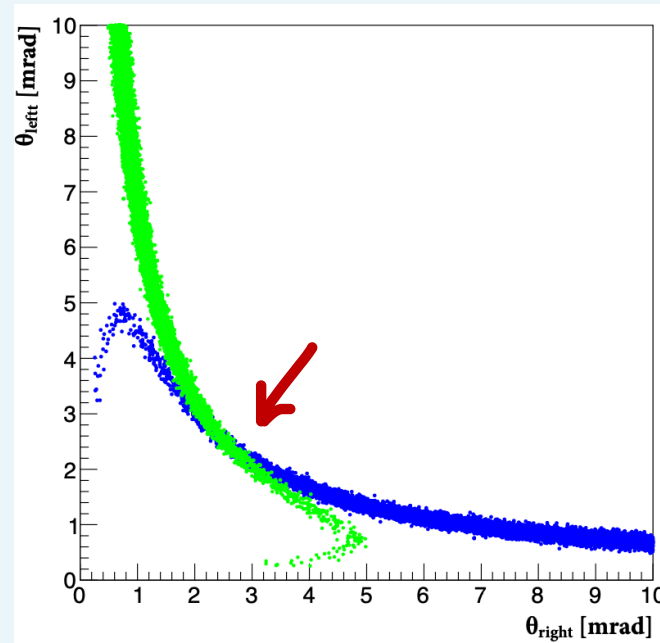
Laser pulse system (at **450 nm**) for APD calibration



# What is the purpose of the ECAL in MUonE?

Use it as a control system for the tracker → assess **systematic effects**:

- Possibility to **control tracker's signal selection** at least in the *last* stations and **small scattering angles** events;
- Helping in describing and recognizing **background and radiative events**;
- **Resolving the PID ambiguity** in the region of similar angles ( $2 - 3 \text{ mrad}$ ): tracker is not enough when electron and muon have *similar scattering angle* → check ECAL  $E_{dep}$  and associate ECAL cluster to track

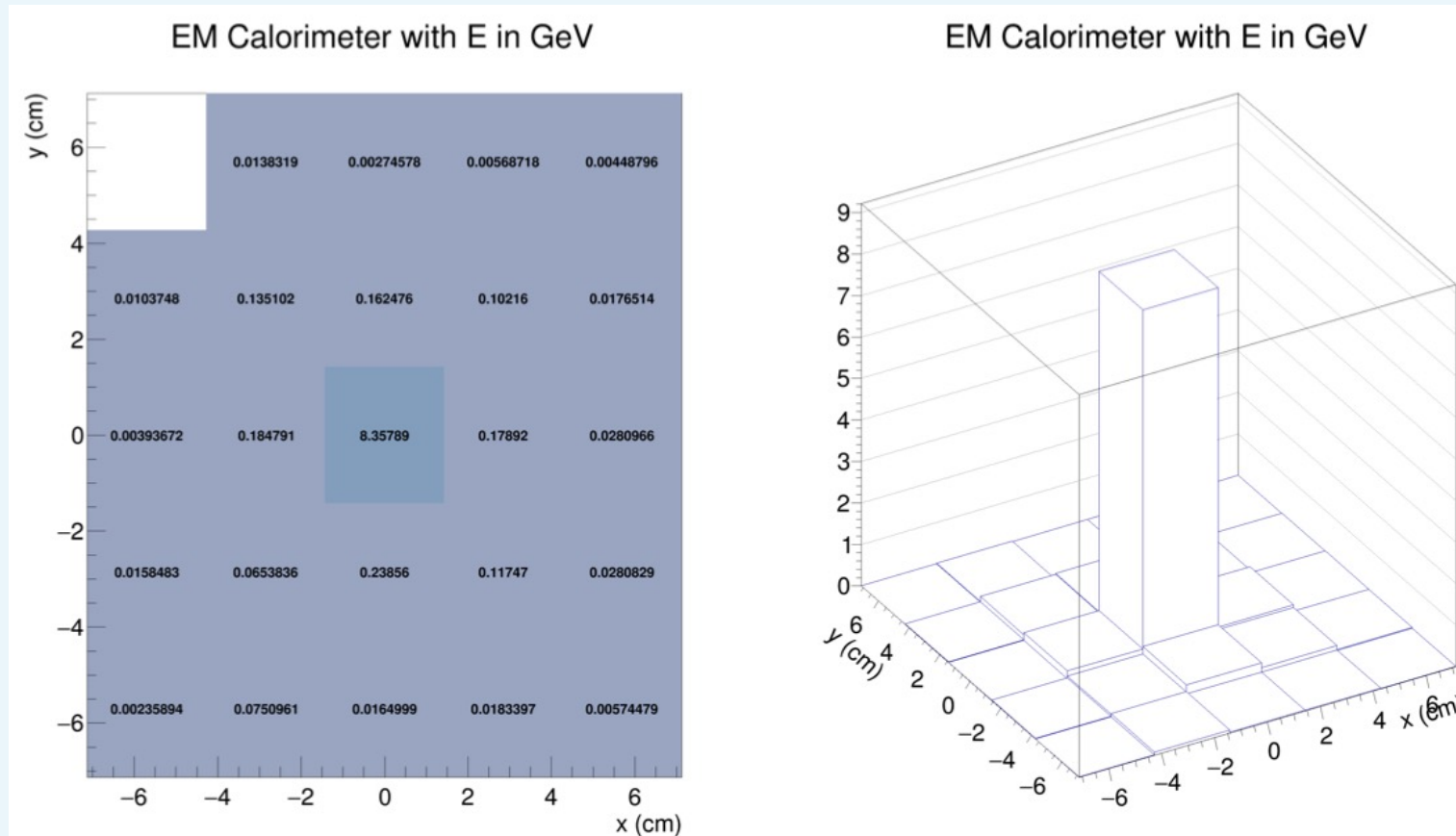




# Selection of simulated elastic events with ECAL: GFLASH Fast Simulation

- Fast simulation of the *entire homogeneous ECAL* based on **GFLASH** parametrization used by CMS ([Grindhammer et al., arXiv:hep-ex/0001020](#));
- Used to study its **response** and its **capability of selecting signal events**.

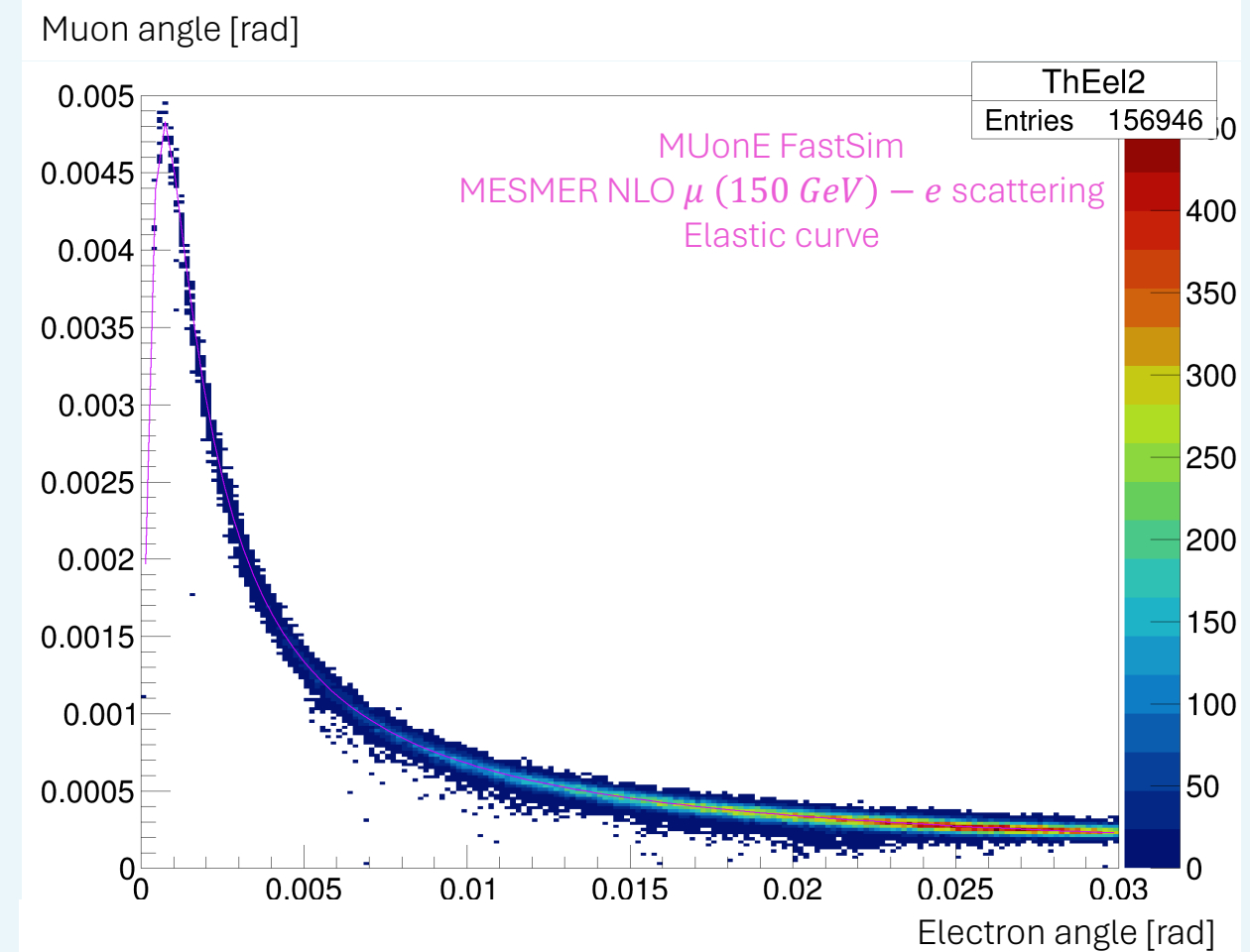
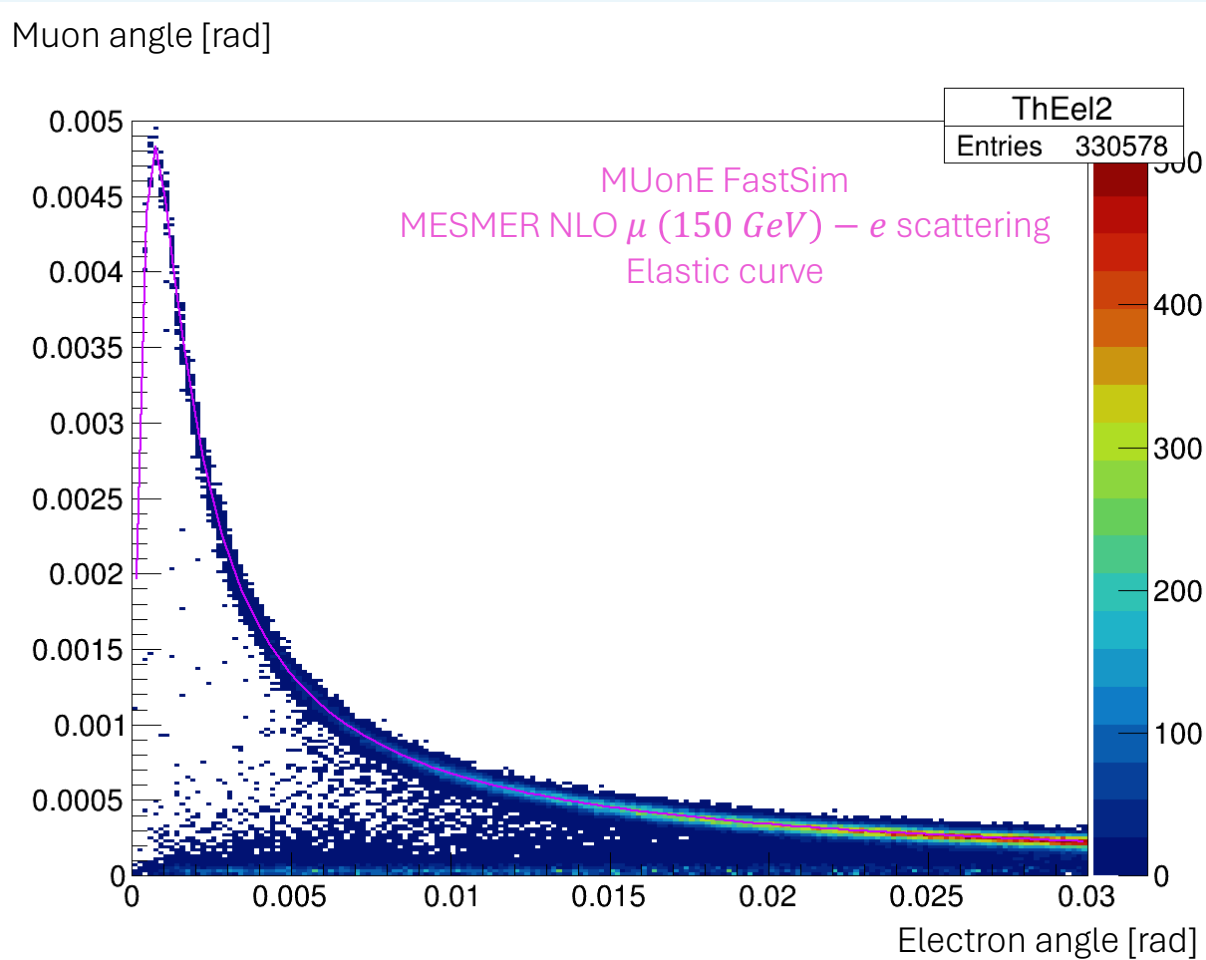
Simulated event of a **10 GeV electron** impinging on the *central* cell of the ECAL



# Selection of simulated elastic events with ECAL

NLO  $\mu - e$  scattering events without any selection:  
presence of radiative and background events

NLO  $\mu - e$  scattering events with ECAL selection  
(based on  $E_{dep}^{3 \times 3}$ ,  $\sigma(E)$ , centroid coordinates):  
Clear elastic signal

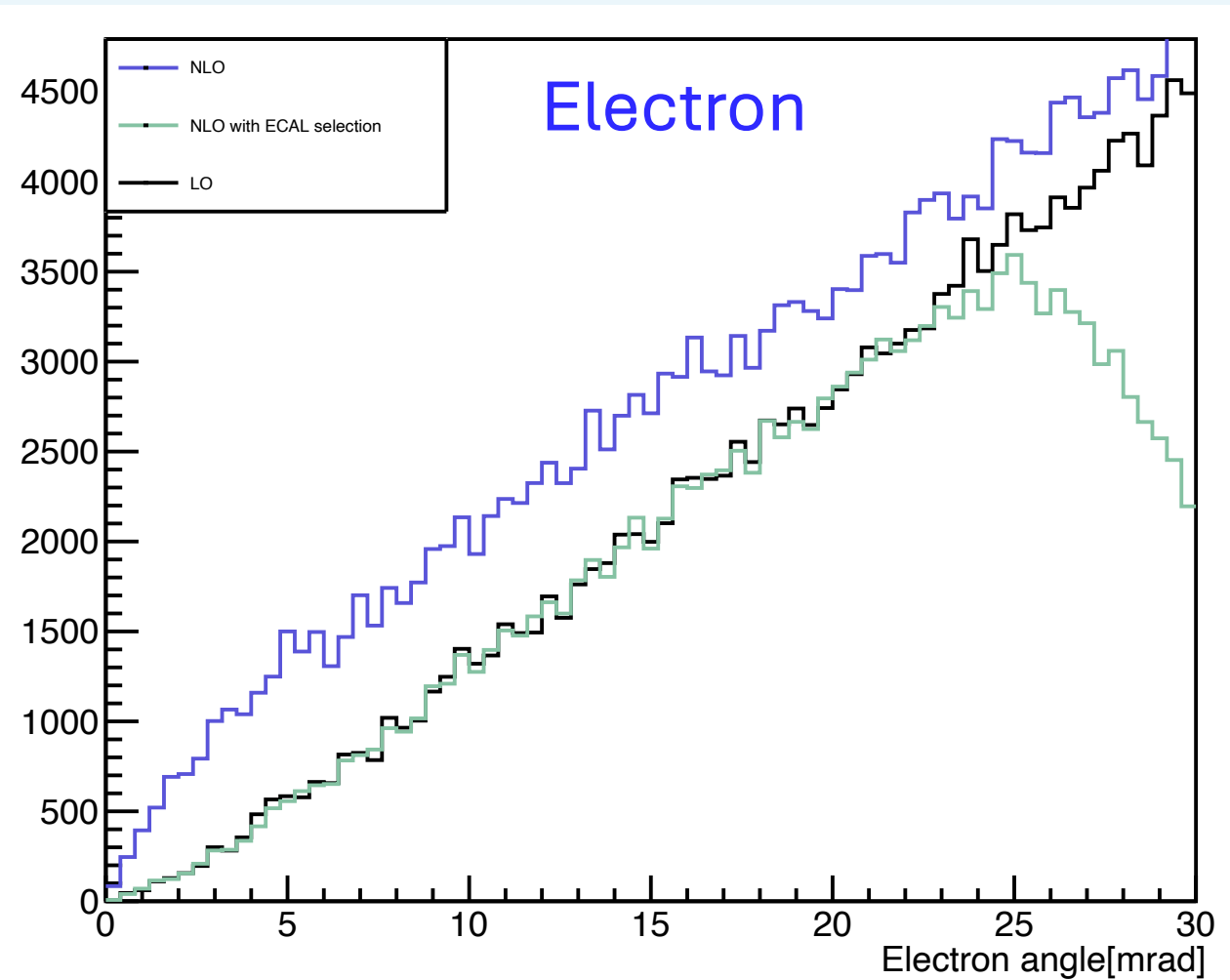
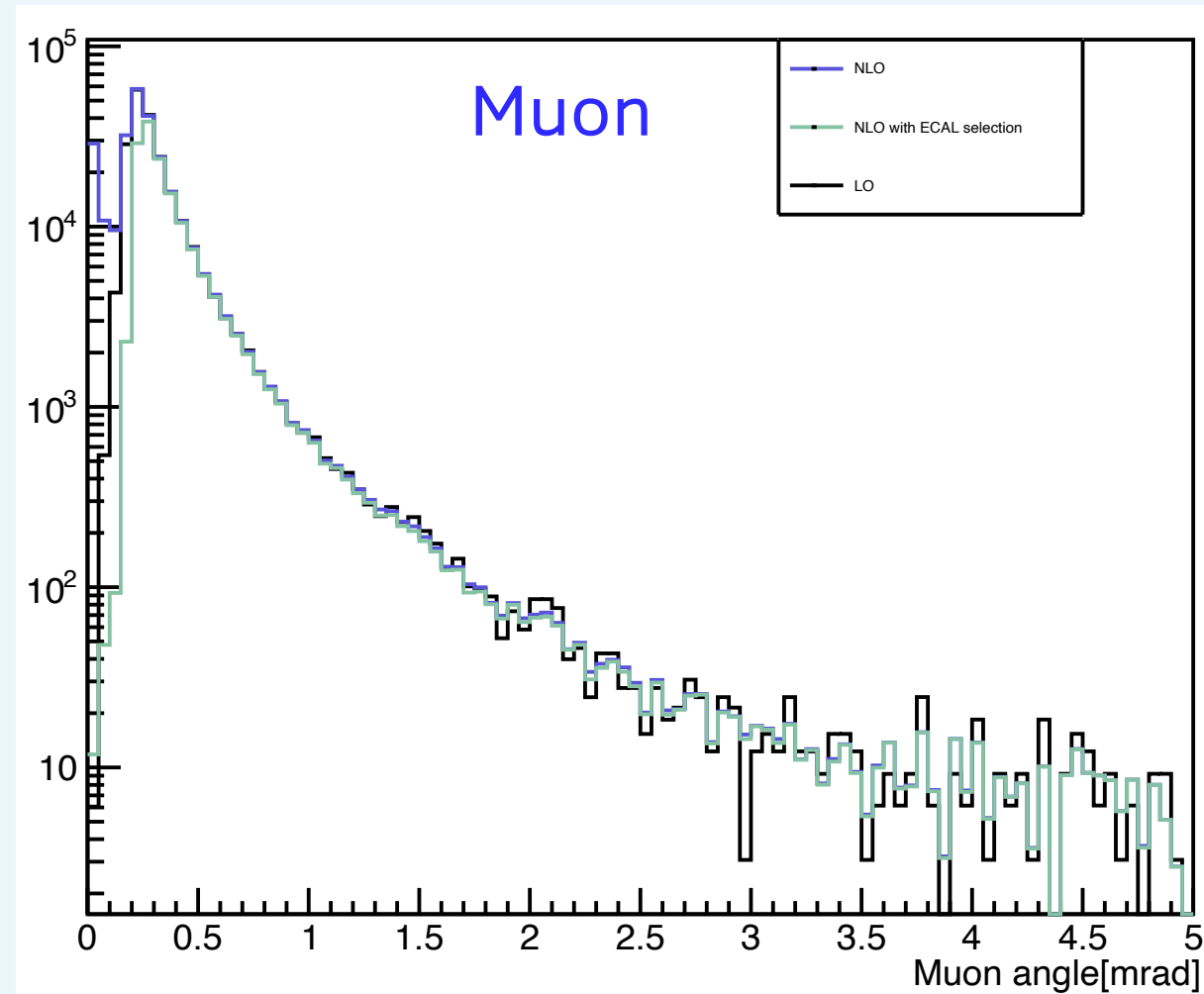


E. Spedicato, [Master thesis \(2021\)](#)

Cross-check in the **last stations** the **tracker-based** selection  
with the **calorimetric** selection

# Angular distributions of the electron and muon

MESMER MC + MUonE Fast Simulation



Muon cross section is robust against radiative effects

With calorimetric selection, the LO elastic cross section of the electron is well recovered

# ECAL tests beam 2023

Calibration tests have been performed with the current prototype:

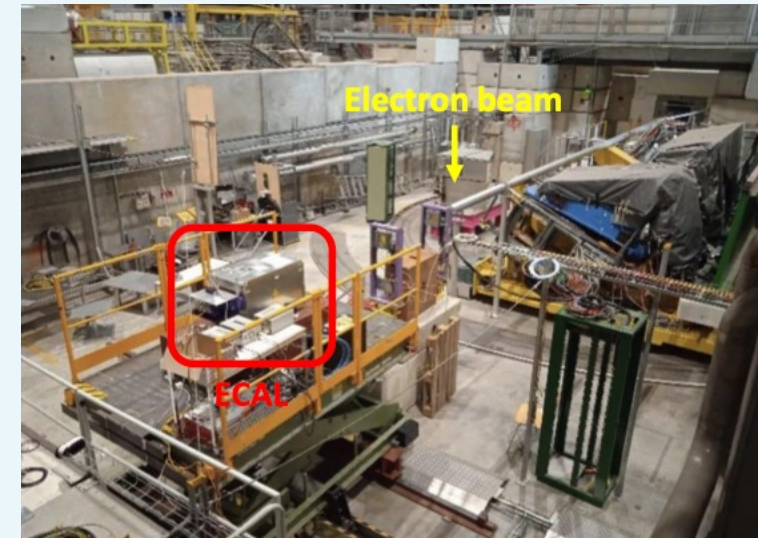
1. CERN H2 *electron* line: energy range → 20 – 150 GeV
2. CERN T9 *electron* line: energy range → 1 – 10 GeV

## Main purpose:

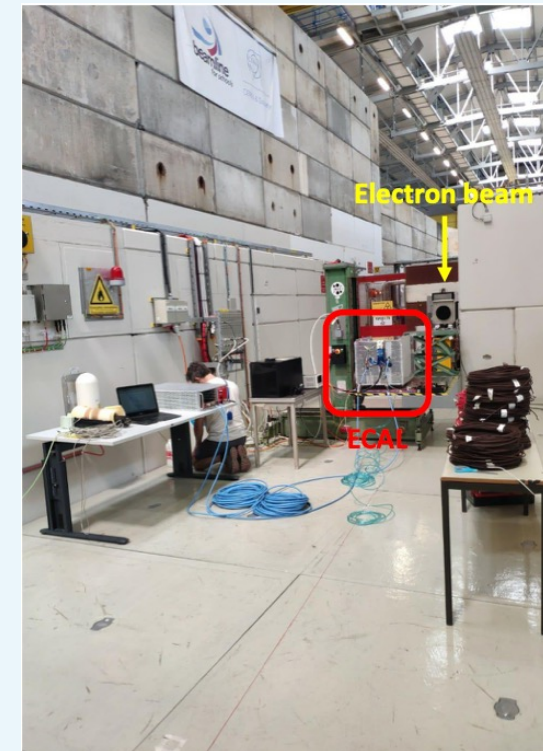
- Set APD voltages to *better equalize* the signal within 10% in all the APDs. Calibration done with **laser signal**.

Some preliminary results..

CERN H2

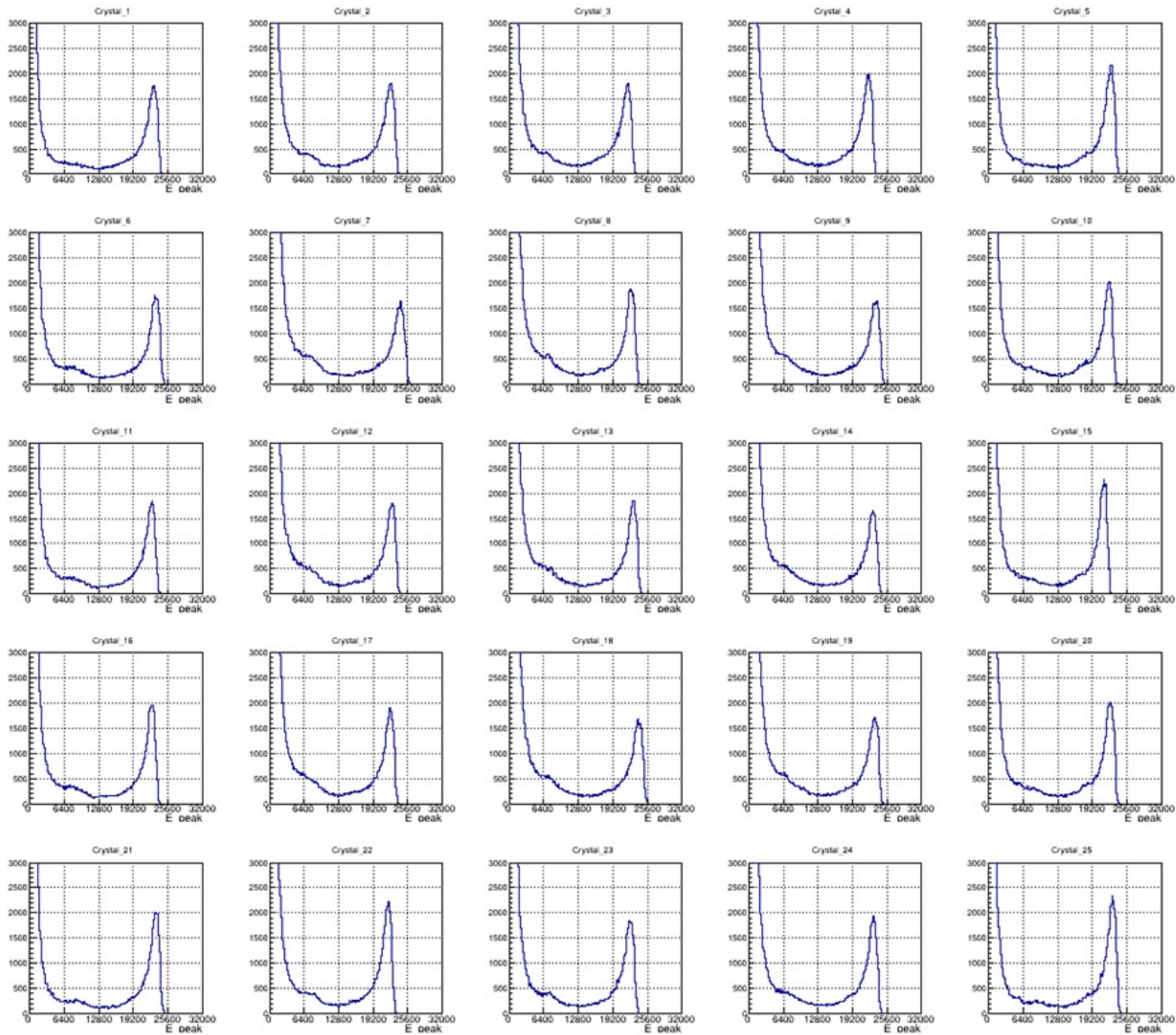


CERN T9



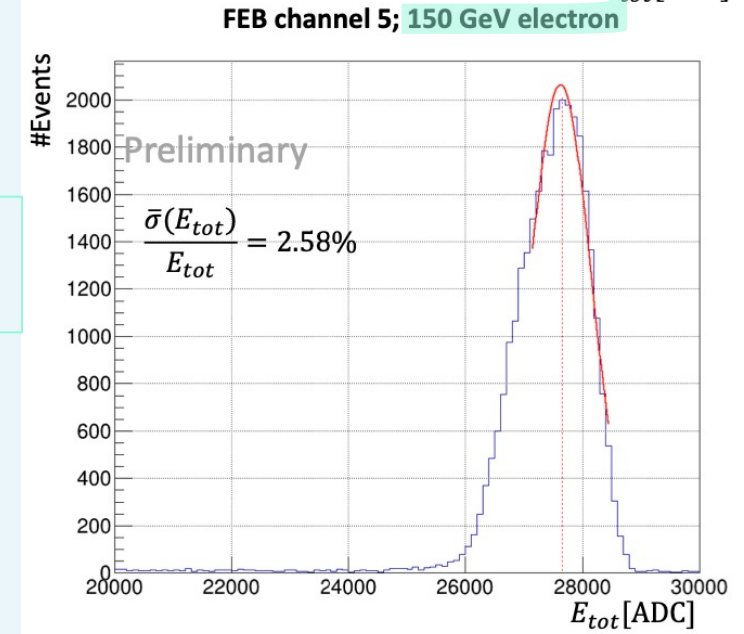
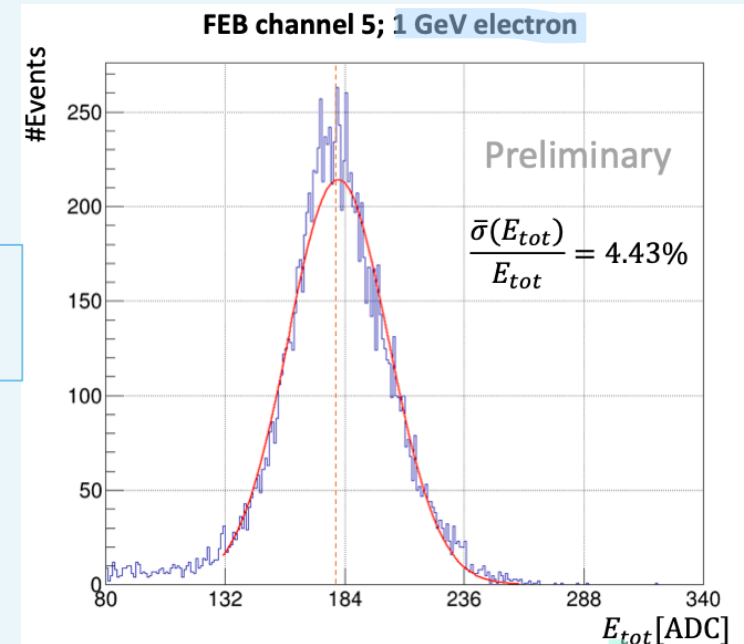
Calibrated energy distribution of the signal, for all crystals with  $\forall E_{dep}$

Calibrated energy distribution of the signal for crystal 5 with  $E_{dep} > 70\% E_{tot}$



1 GeV peak:  
~ 184 ADC

150 GeV peak:  
~ 27600 ADC



X axis: energy deposit per crystal (0 – 32000 ADCs) for a 150 GeV e beam  
Y axis: number of events

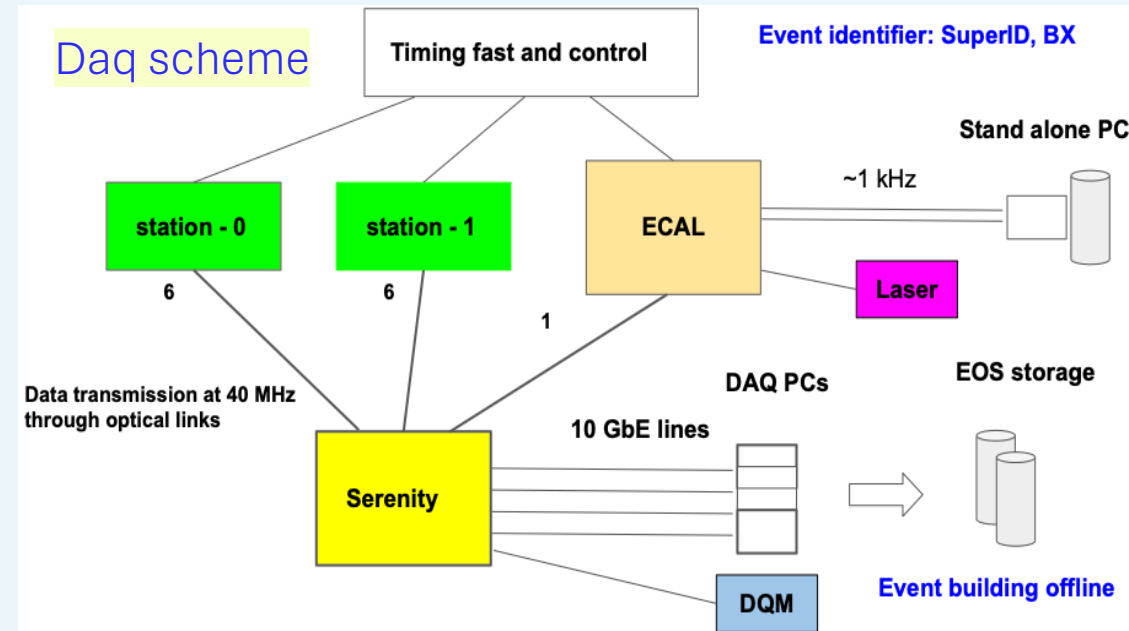
# Pilot Run August-September 2023

- M2 beam line at cern (muons  $160\text{ GeV}$ );
- First time with 2 full-equipped stations (12 modules);
- ECAL set after the second station.

## Main Purposes:

1. Scale the DAQ from 1 to 2 tracking stations;
- 2. Integrate and synchronize tracker and ECAL DAQ;**
3. Test the software and hardware alignment procedure;
4. Collect enough statistics to provide the measurement of the leptonic running of  $\alpha$ .

→ We managed to read out the calorimeter at **40 MHz**, tuning the rate to fit in the available **10 GbE** data link.

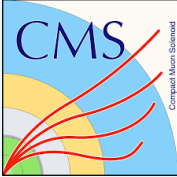


Results will be used to write the technical proposal. Submission to the SPSC planned in 2024!



# Conclusions

## Web site

- MUonE proposes an **innovative and independent method** for the evaluation of the hadronic vacuum polarization term at LO  $a_{\mu}^{HLO}$  which is **alternative** with the *previous ones*. Great possibility to *shade some light* on this intriguing **puzzle**!
  - We are analysing the new Test Run data to determine the performance of the ECAL and understand its **role** for future tests and final experiment;
  - *Test beams and data analysis* are carried out together with the **CMS Tracker group**. Results will be published in a *joint paper*;
- 
- Next important step is **write** the **technical proposal** in 2024, with the full experiment setup and goals;
  - An intermediate step before the **final** configuration → **10 tracking stations** before *LS3 (2026)*.

Thank you for the attention!

BACKUP



# 2018 MUONE TEST BEAM

[G. Abbiendi et al., arXiv:2102.11111](https://arxiv.org/abs/2102.11111)

