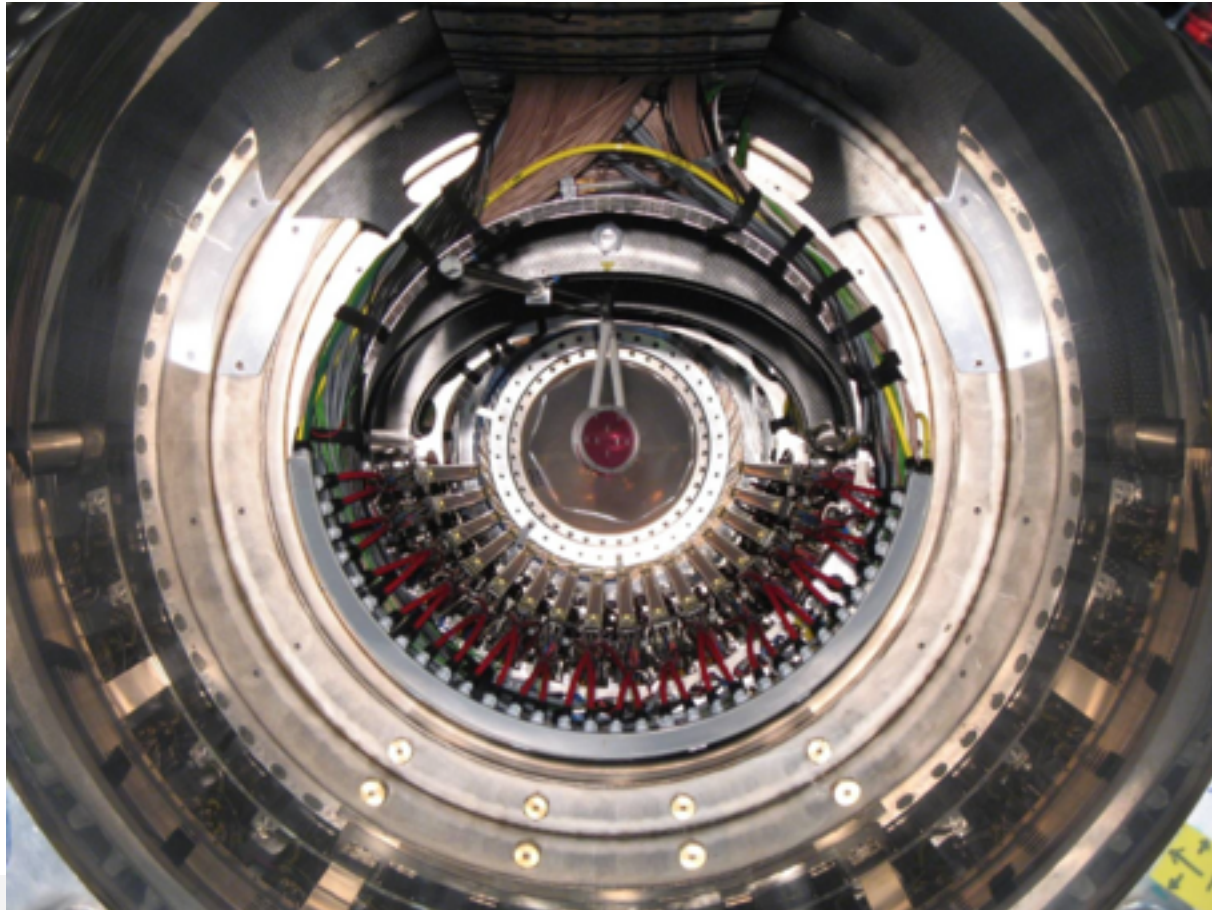


# The MEG experiment result and the MEGII status



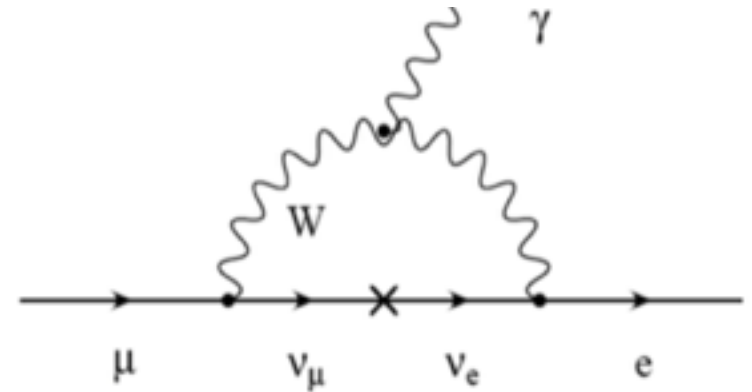
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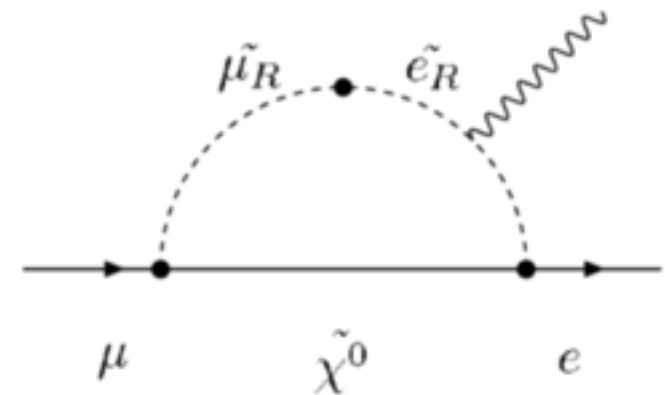
# charged Lepton Flavour Violation (cLFV)

- LFV observed in the neutral sector but not in the charged one (yet)
- “accidentally” due to tiny neutrino masses compared to electroweak energy scale*
- cLFV signal would definitely be due to BSM physics

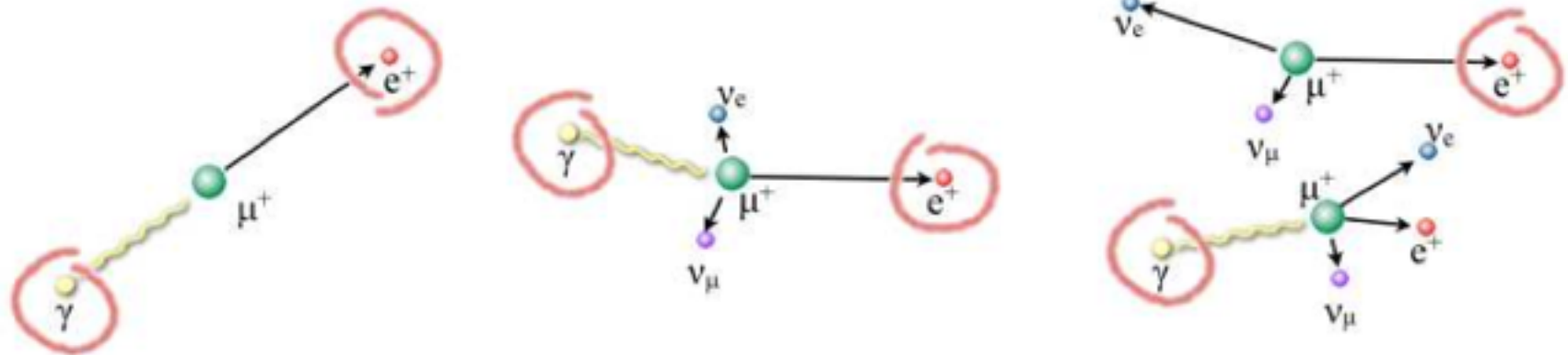
$$B(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) = \frac{3\alpha}{32\pi} \left| \sum_{i=2,3} U_{\mu i}^* U_{ei} \frac{\Delta m_{i1}^2}{M_W^2} \right|^2 \simeq 10^{-54}$$



$$B(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) = (1 \times 10^{-11}) \times \left( \frac{2 \text{ TeV}}{\Lambda_D} \right)^4 \left( \frac{\theta_{\mu e}}{10^{-2}} \right)^2$$



# Signal and background



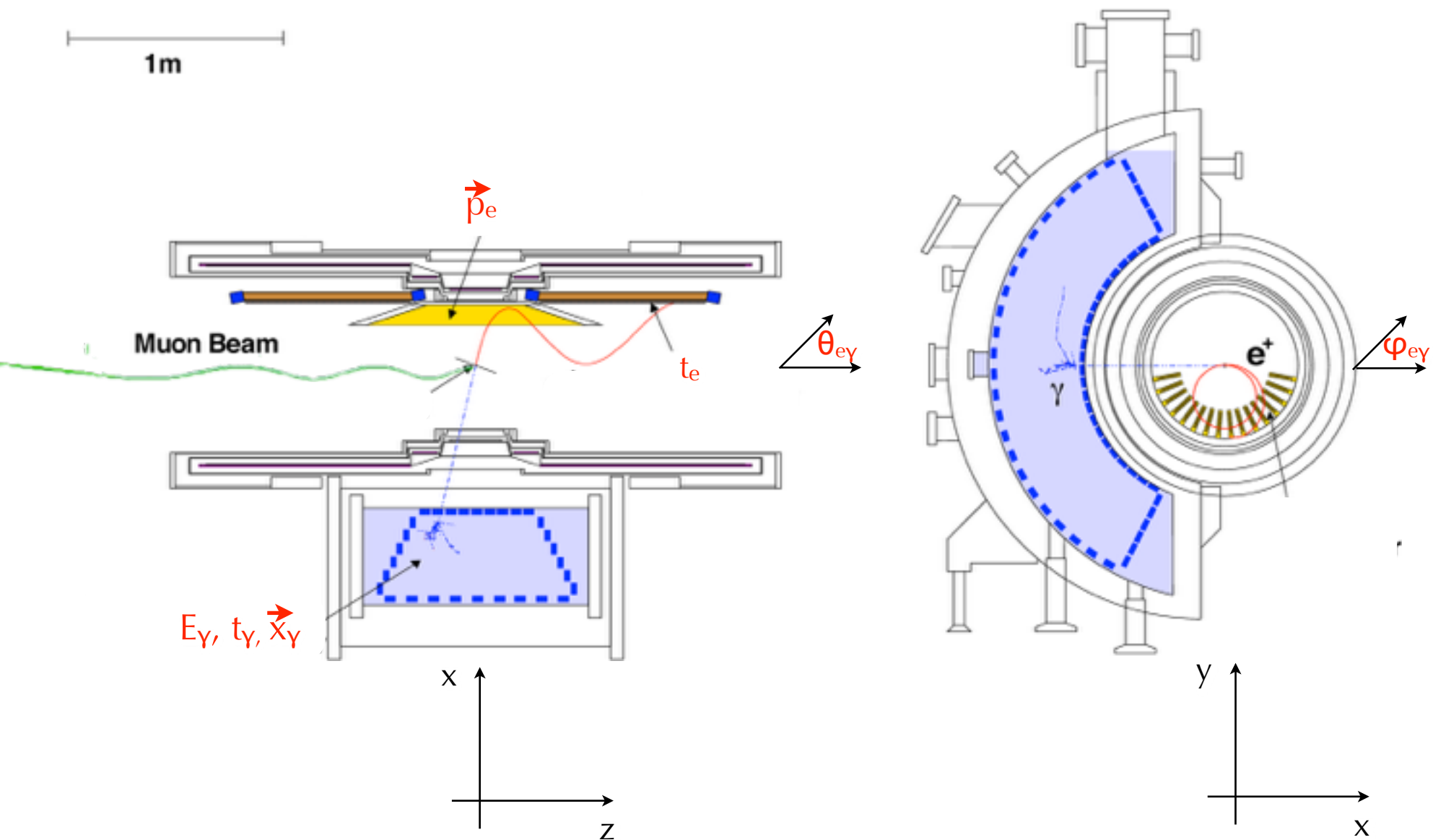
$E_\gamma = 52.8 \text{ MeV}$	$E_\gamma < 52.8 \text{ MeV}$	$E_\gamma < 52.8 \text{ MeV}$
$E_{e^+} = 52.8 \text{ MeV}$	$E_{e^+} < 52.8 \text{ MeV}$	$E_{e^+} < 52.8 \text{ MeV}$
$\Theta_{e\gamma} = 180^\circ$	$\Theta_{e\gamma} < 180^\circ$	$\Theta_{e\gamma} < 180^\circ$
$T_{e\gamma} = 0 \text{ s}$	$T_{e\gamma} = 0 \text{ s}$	$T_{e\gamma} \Rightarrow \text{flat}$

**Accidental background is dominant and determined by beam rate and resolutions**

$$B_{acc} \propto R_\mu \Delta E_e \Delta E_\gamma^2 \Delta \Theta_{e\gamma}^2 \Delta t_{e\gamma}$$

$$B_{RMD} \approx 0.1 \cdot B_{acc}$$

# Detector overview



# Analysis strategy

- Decided to extract **CL to B( $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ )** from a **likelihood analysis** in a **wide signal box**
- Each **event** is described in terms of **5 kinematic variables**

- $x_i = (E_\gamma, E_e, t_{e\gamma}, \varphi_{e\gamma}, \vartheta_{e\gamma})$

- **resolutions** and **PDFs** evaluated **on data outside the signal box**

- *signal box closed until analysis is fixed*

- Use of **sidebands**

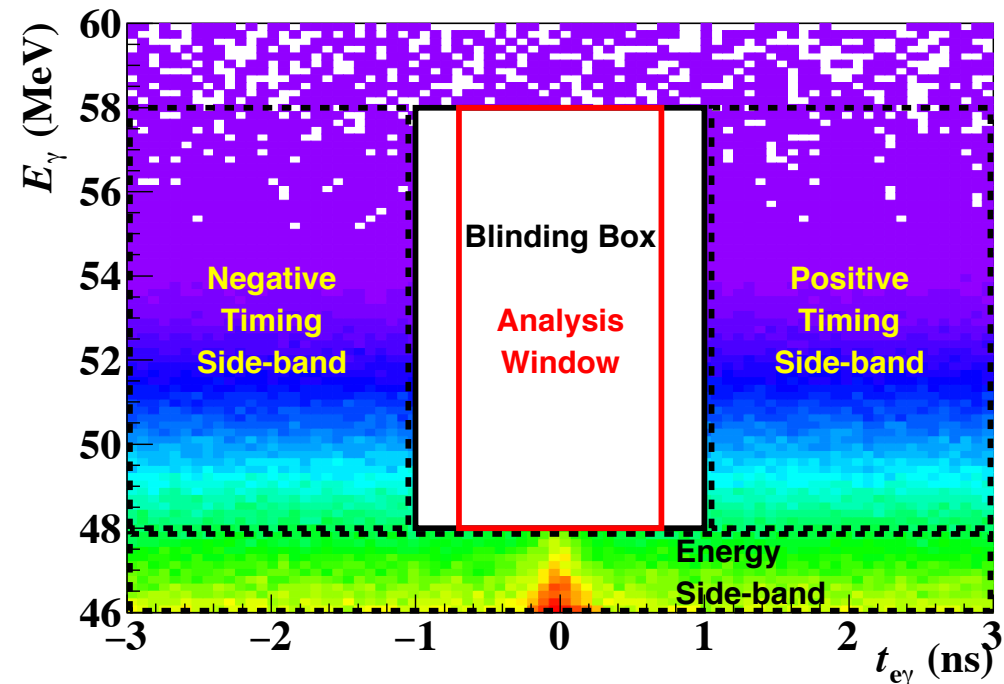
- *accidental background from Left and Right sidebands*

- *Radiative Muon Decay (RMD) studied in the  $E_\gamma$  sideband*

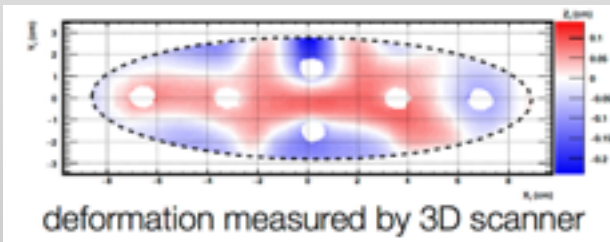
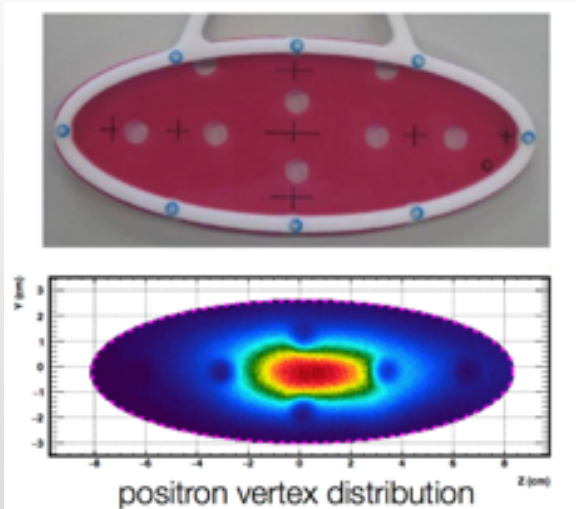
- **$BR(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) < 5.7 \cdot 10^{-13}$  @90% CL with half of the statistics**

[“New constraint on the existence of the  \$\mu \rightarrow e\gamma\$  decay”](#)

[PRL110, 201801 \[2013\]](#)

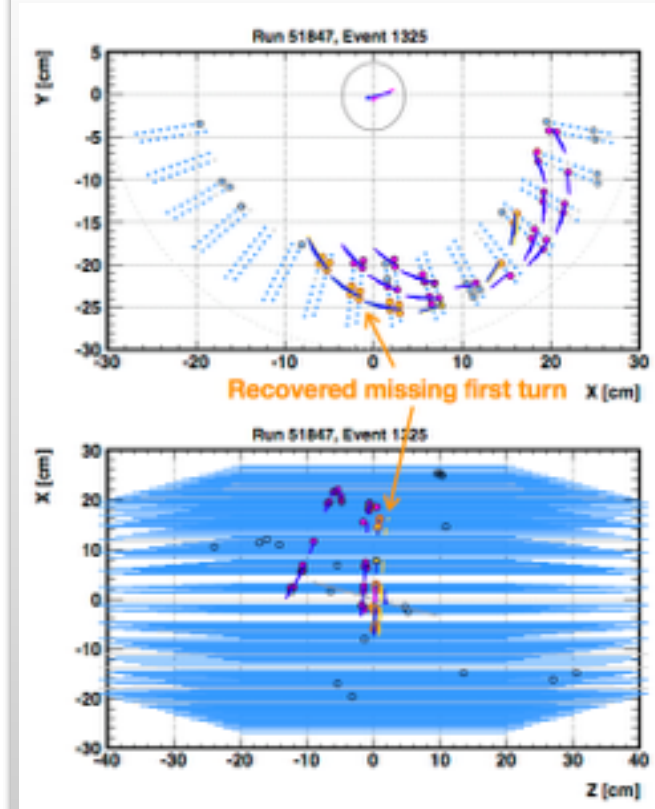
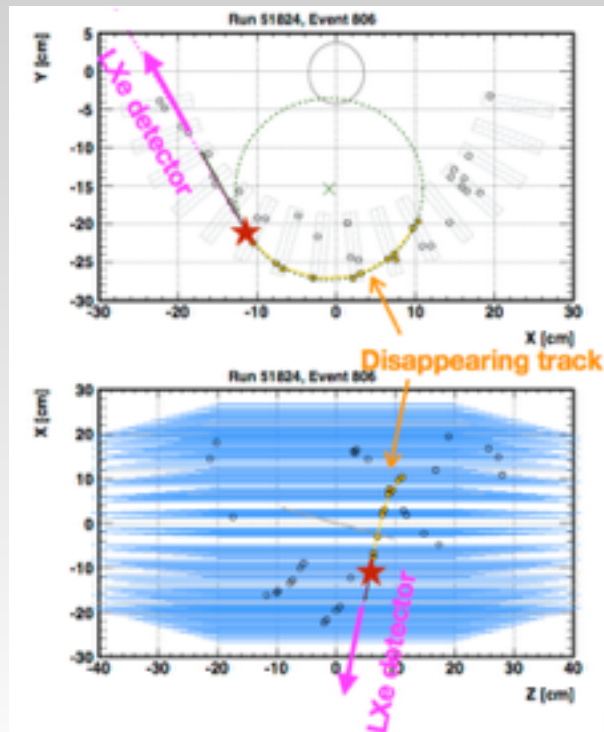


# Analysis improvements



major systematic error  
13% sensitivity worsening

positron AIF events  
2% bkg suppression  
1% sign inefficiency



first missing turn recovery  
+4% of tracking efficiency

# Normalisation

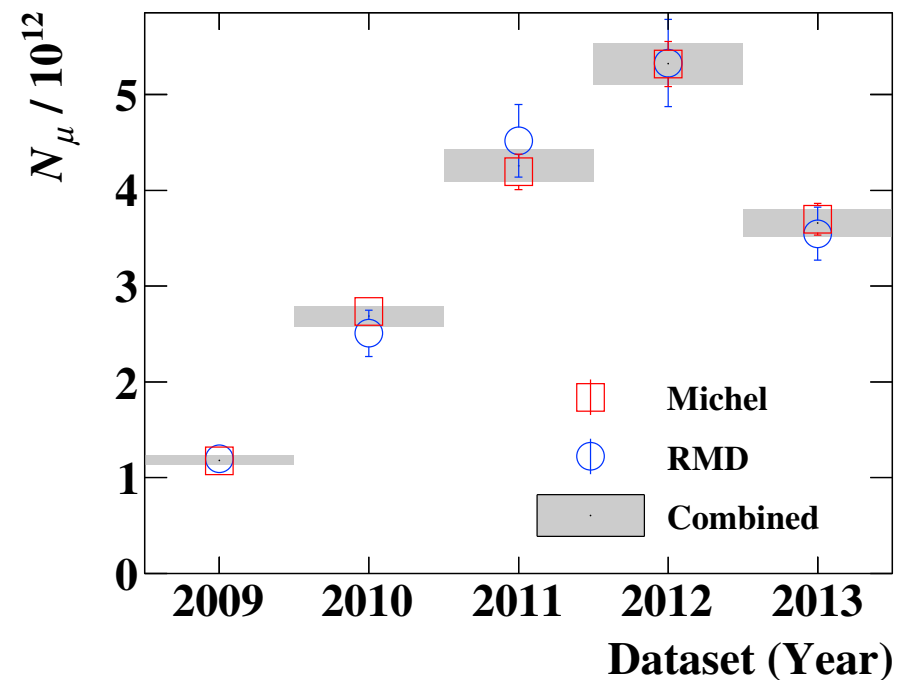
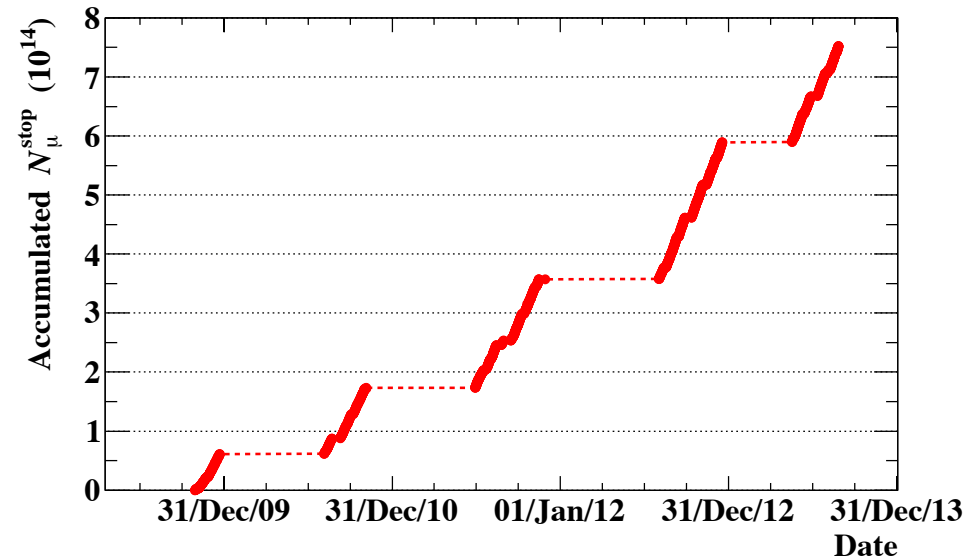
$$\mathcal{B}(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma) \equiv \frac{\Gamma(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma)}{\Gamma_{\text{total}}} = \frac{N_{\text{sig}}}{N_{\mu}}$$

- Two independent normalisation procedures

- count positrons from  $\mu \rightarrow e \nu \nu$* 
  - dedicated pre-scaled trigger in DAQ
- radiative decay events*
  - in photon energy side-band

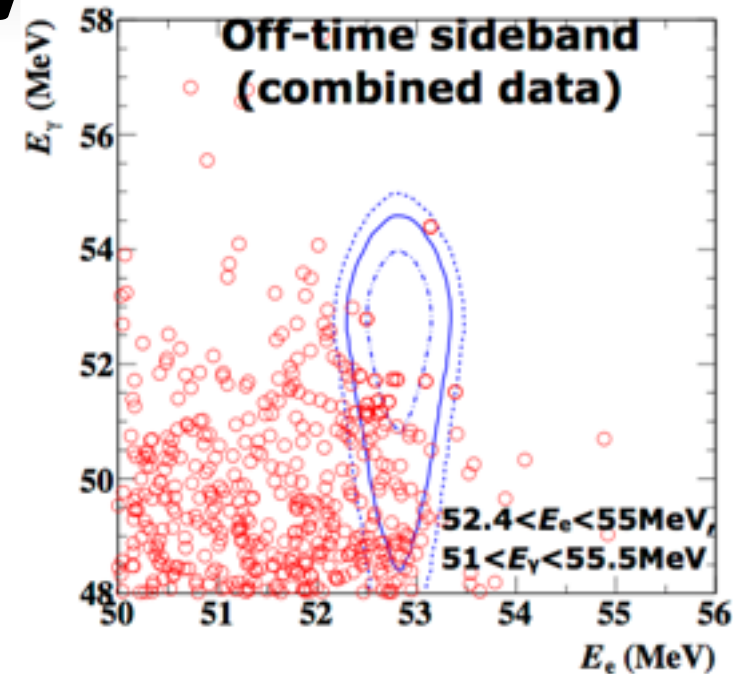
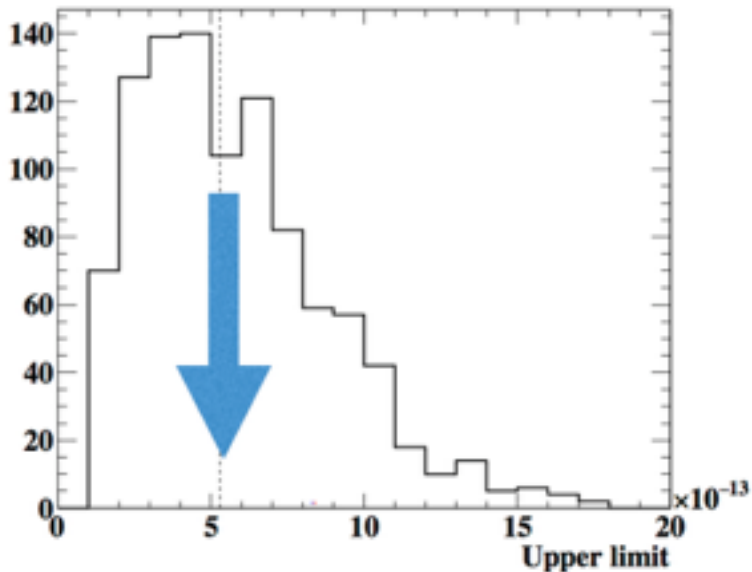
- Integrated normalisation =  $1.73 \times 10^{13}$

- 4% uncertainty*

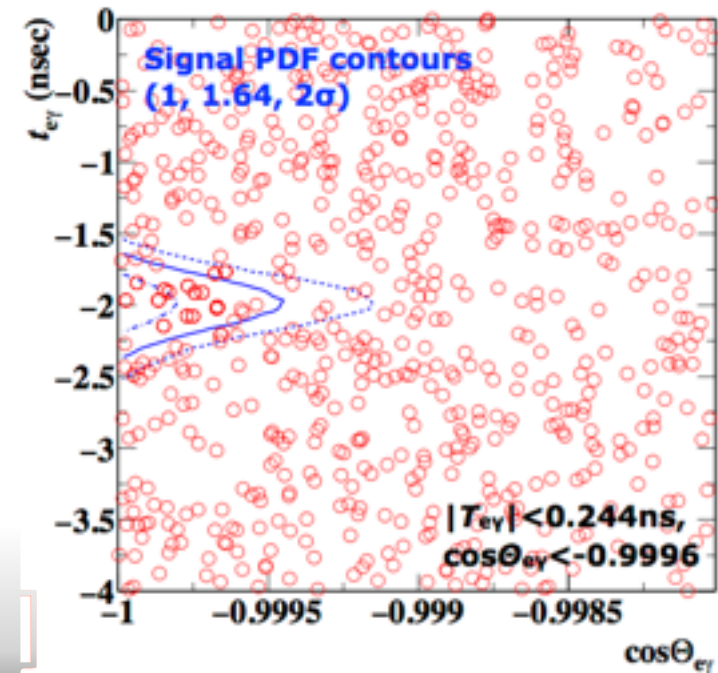


# Sensitivity

- median 90% CL Upper Limit on toy MC experiments with null signal hypothesis
- Comparison with last publication from 2009-2011 data
  - *no significant difference*
- Checked by timing side-band data fits
- $5.3 \cdot 10^{-13}$  for all data
  - *$8 \cdot 10^{-13}$  for 2009-2011 data*
- The **Blinded Box** was opened in **December 2015**

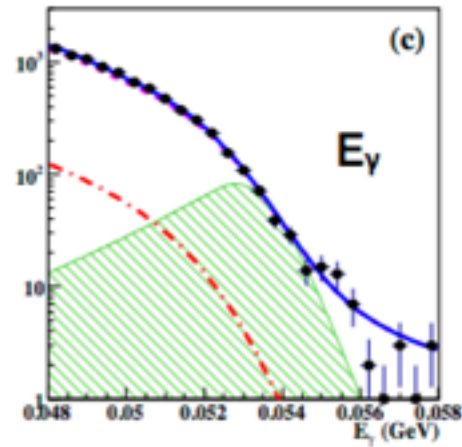
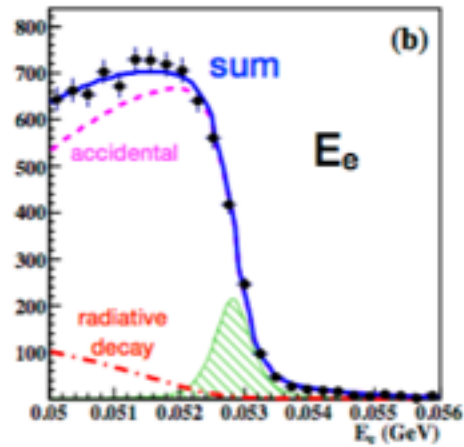
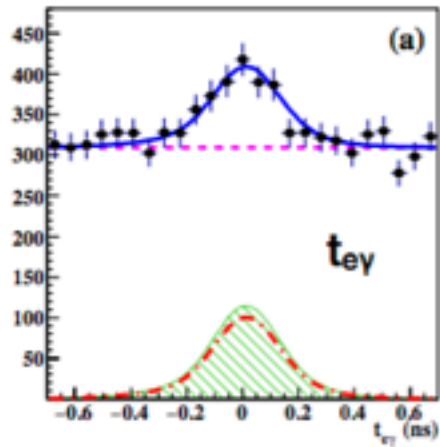


signal contours of 1, 1.64,  $2\sigma$  are shown

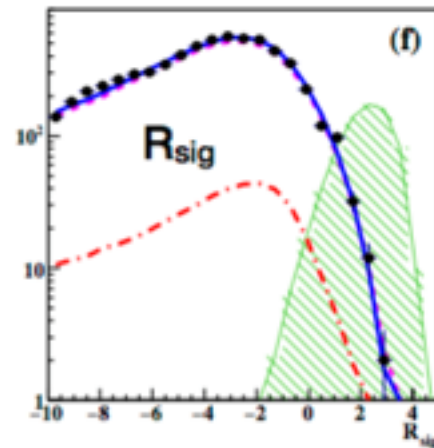
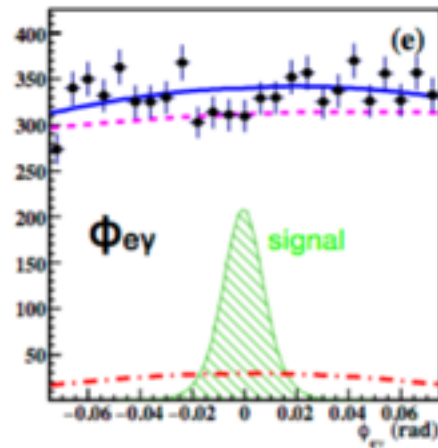
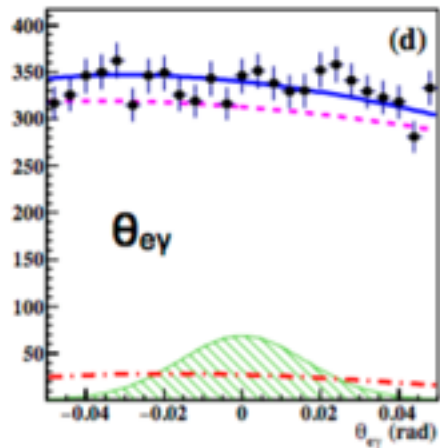




# The 5(+1) observables & R<sub>sig</sub>



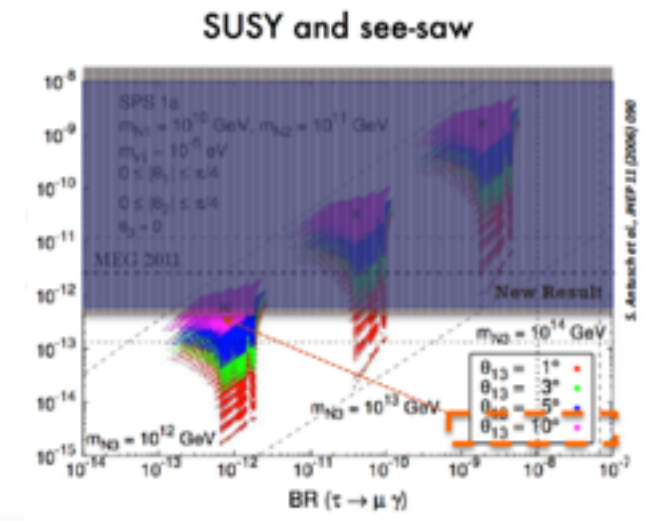
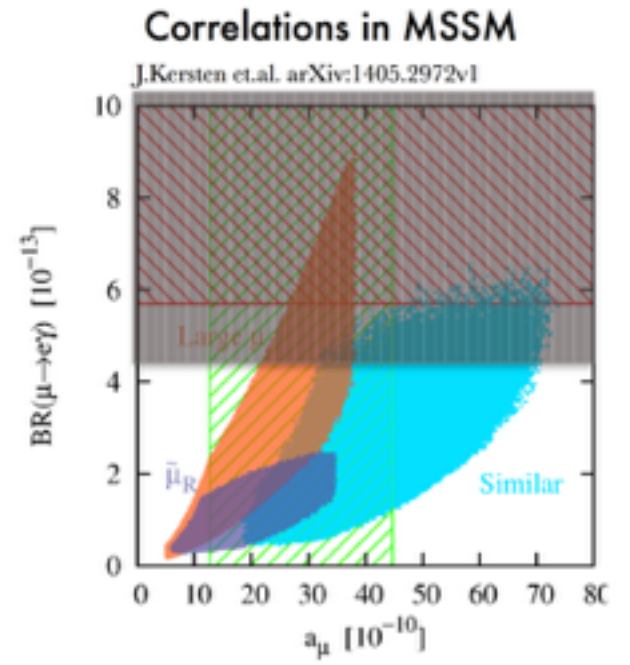
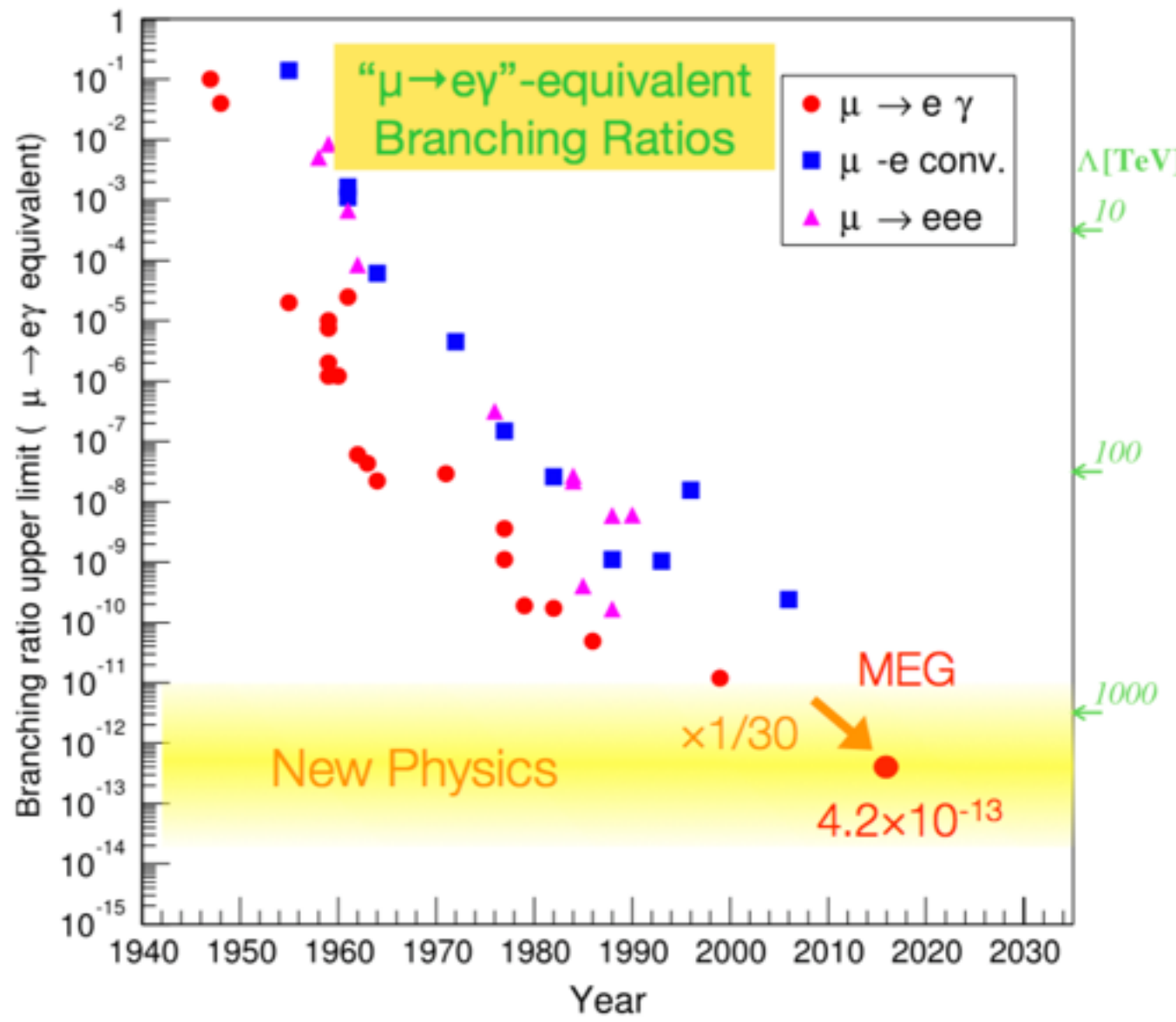
signal enhanced  
by a factor 100



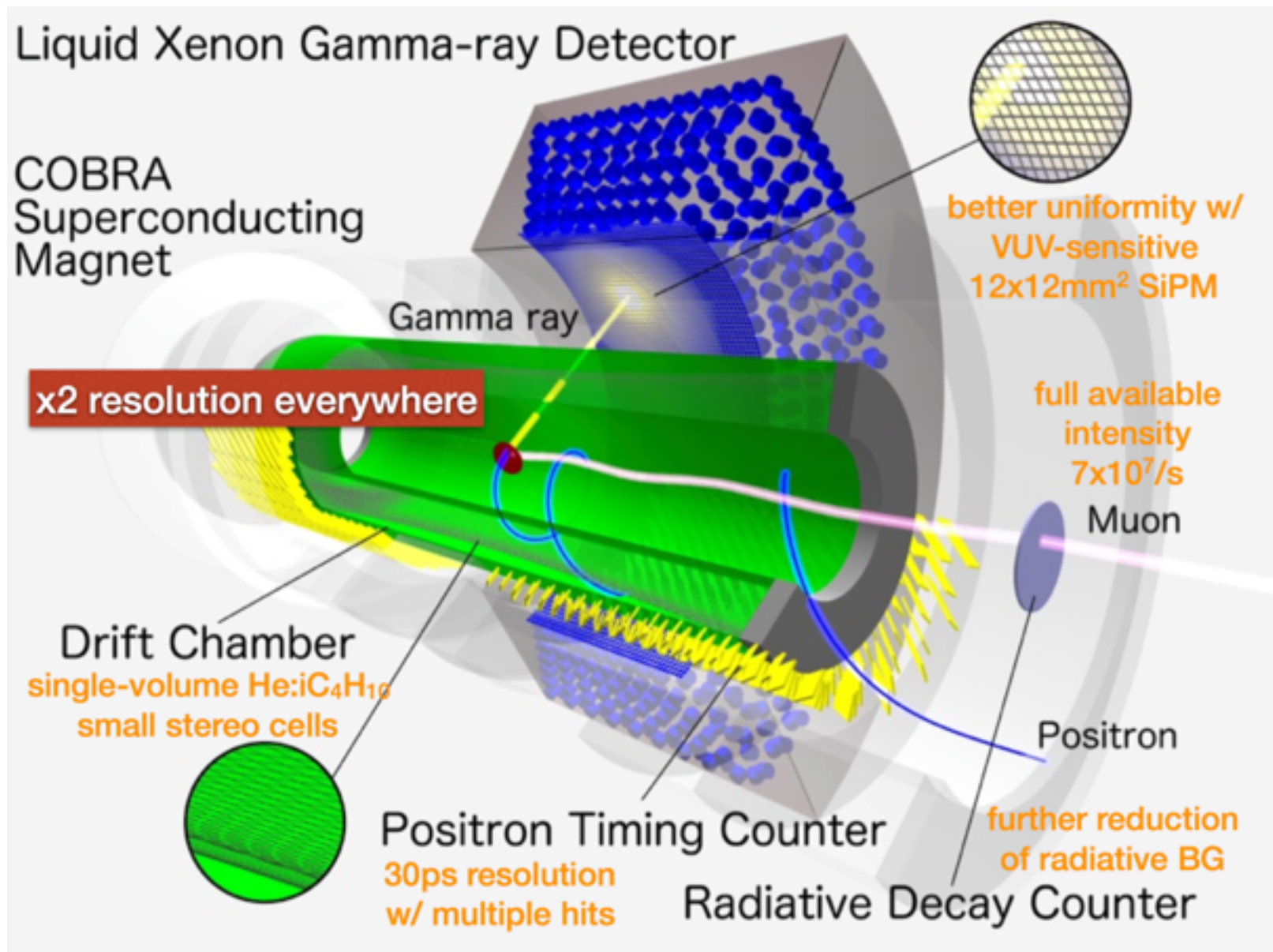
$$R_{Sig} = \text{Log}_{10}\left(\frac{S}{0.1R + 0.9B}\right)$$

**BR( $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ ) < 4.2  $10^{-13}$  @90% CL**

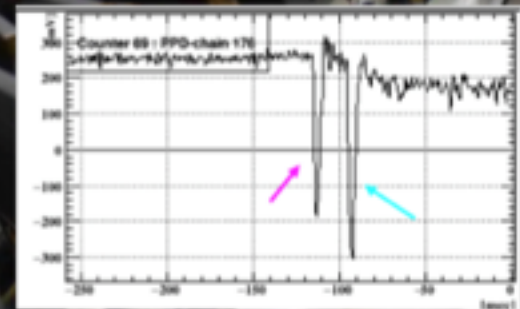
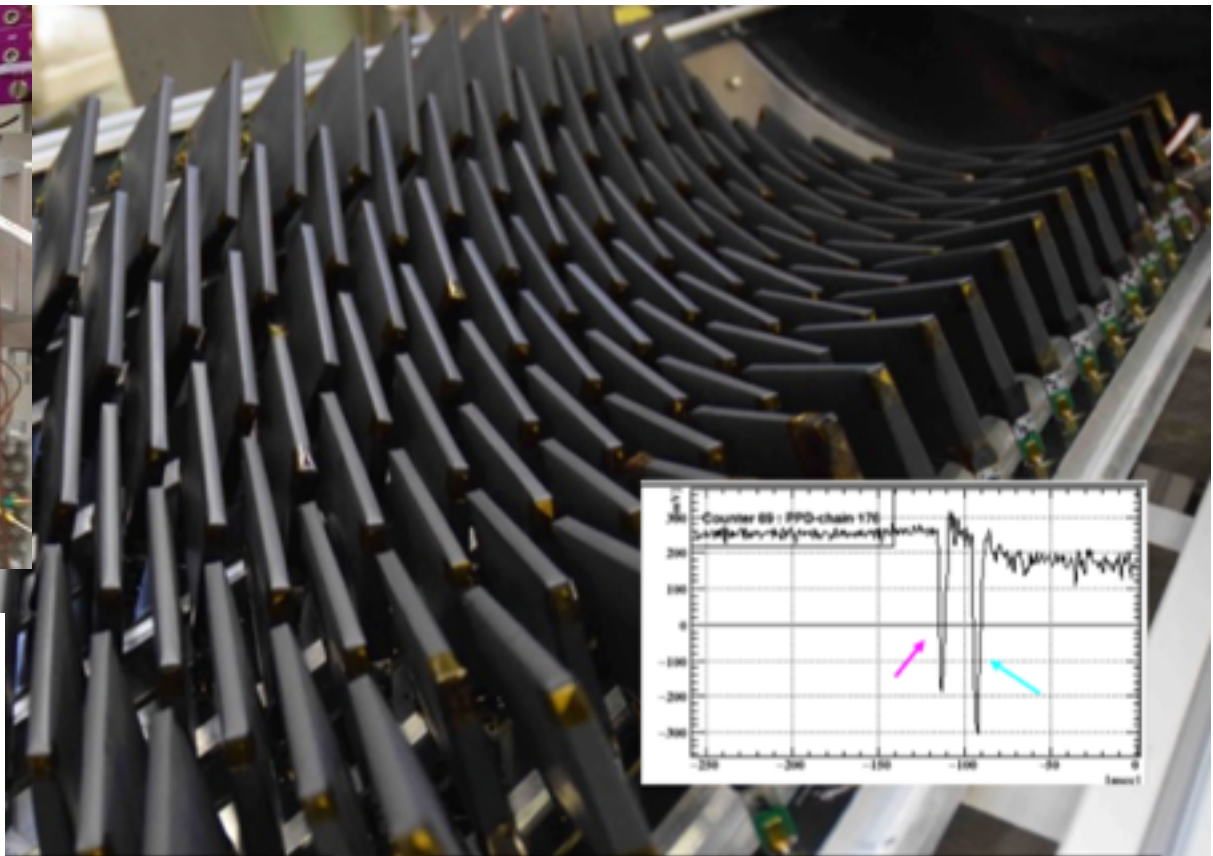
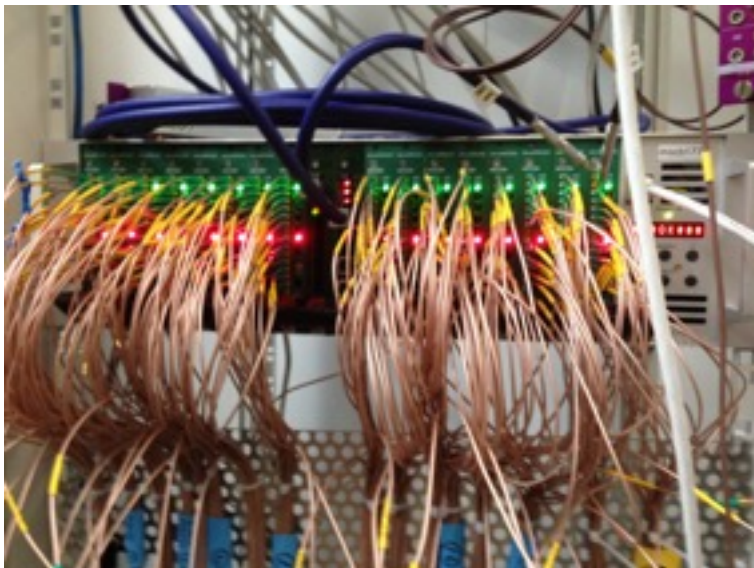
# Final MEG result and constraints



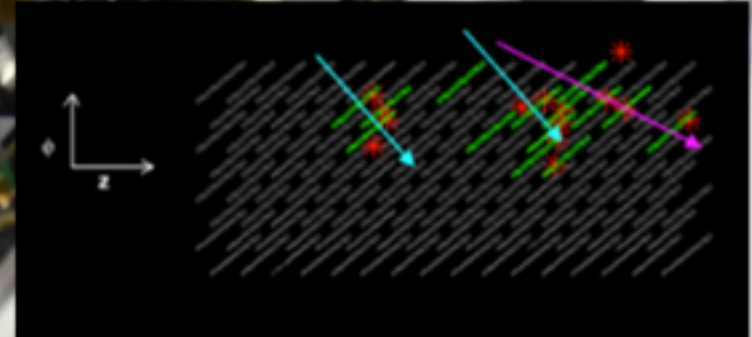
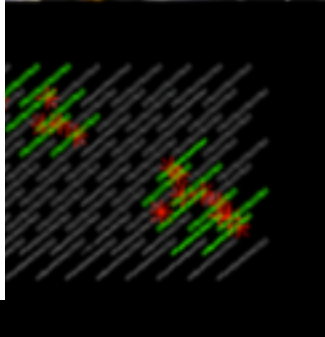
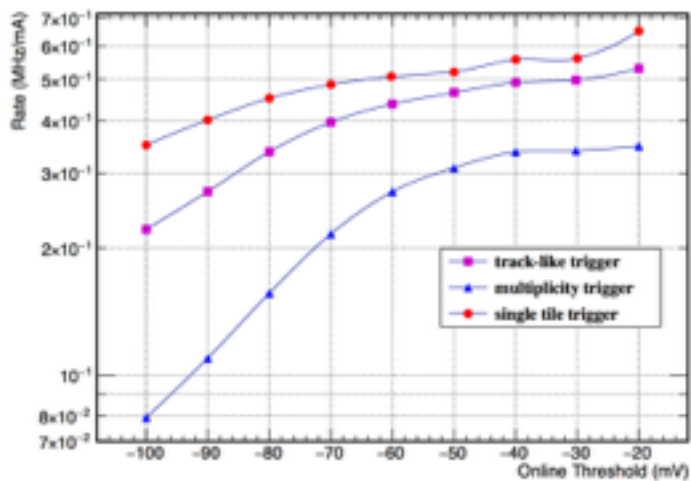
# MEG II at a glance

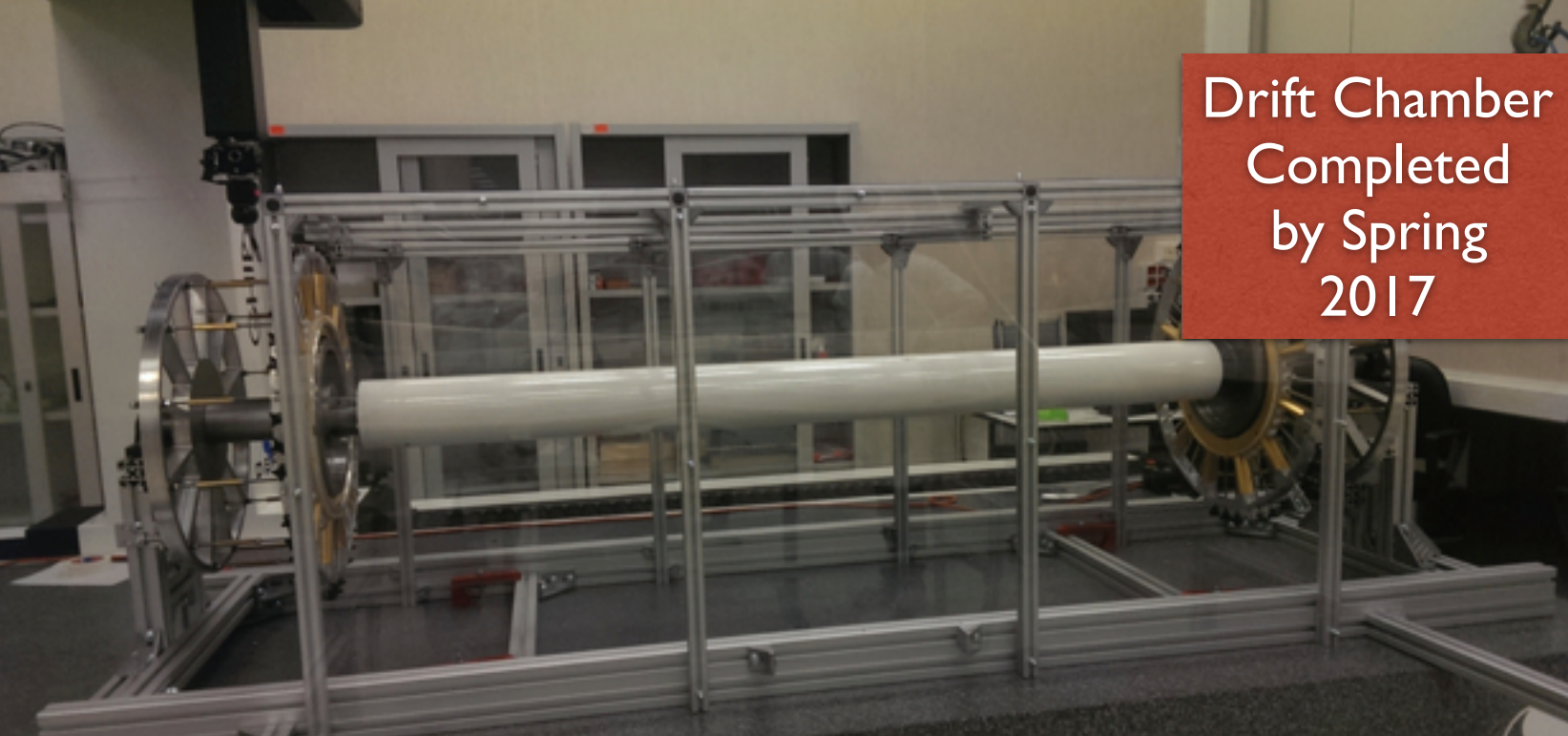


# The first MEG II data...



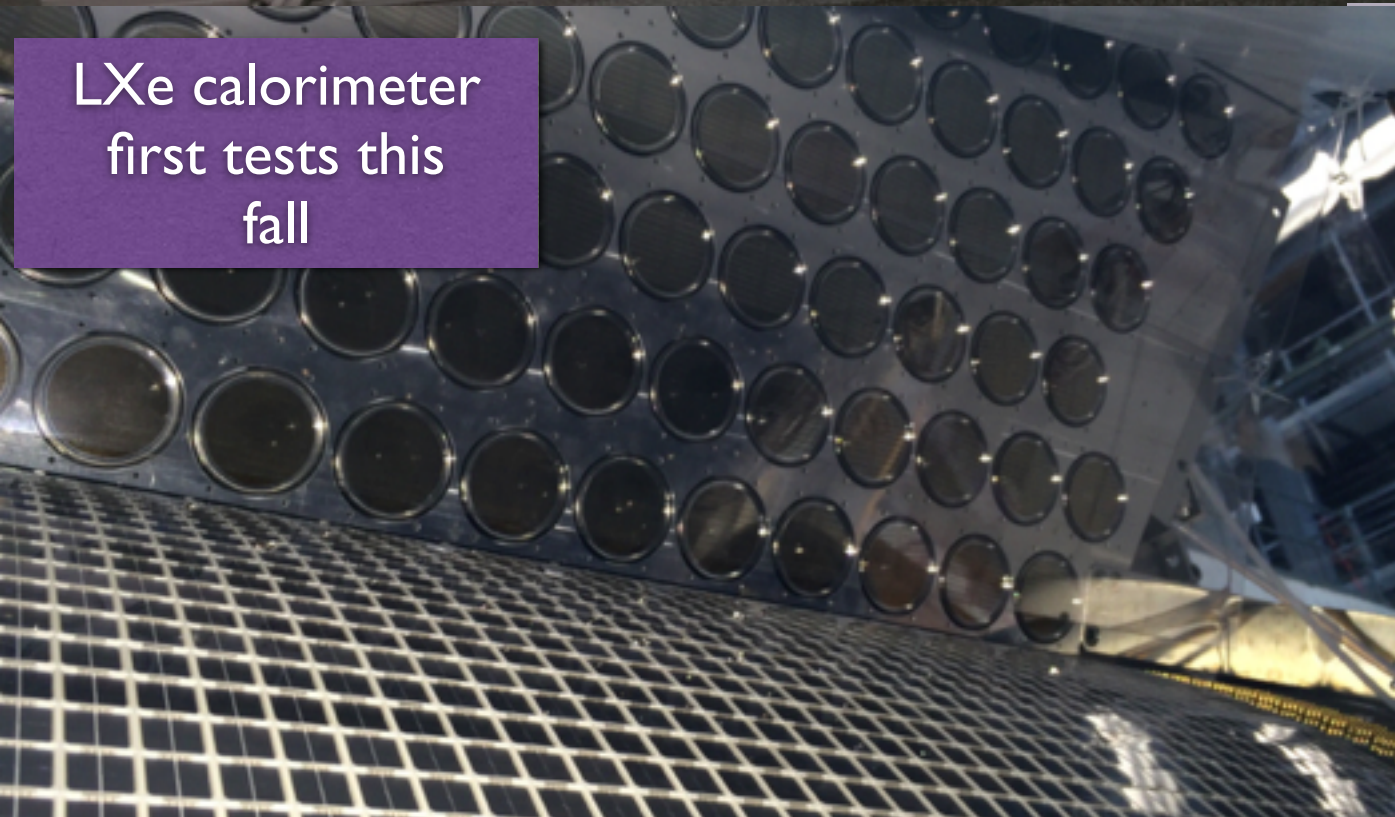
Threshold Rate Scan



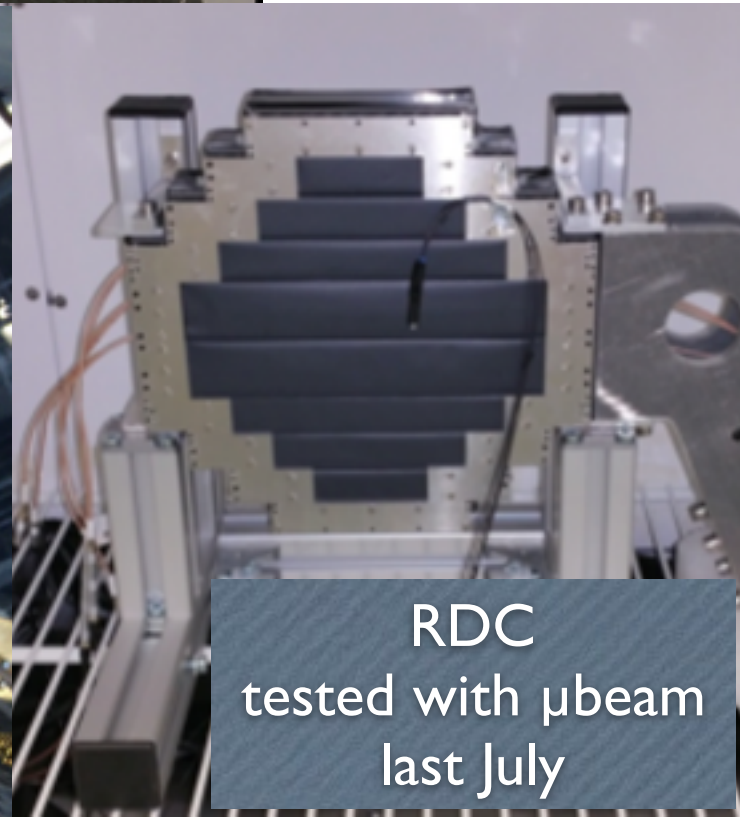


Drift Chamber  
Completed  
by Spring  
2017

Work in  
progress

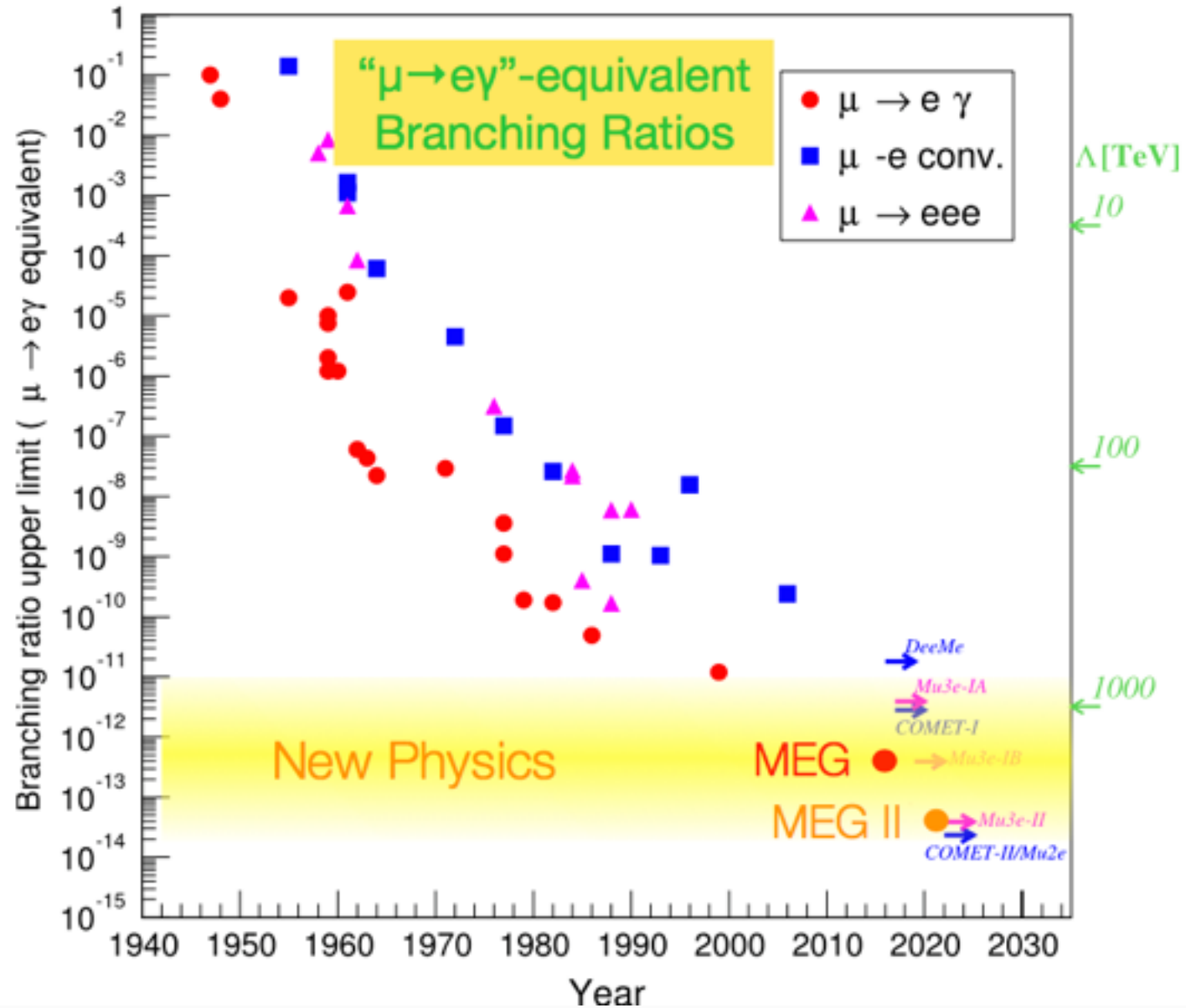
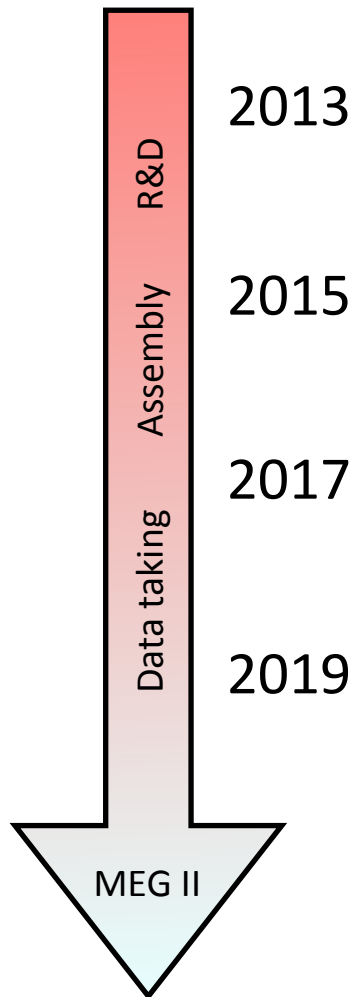


LXe calorimeter  
first tests this  
fall



RDC  
tested with  $\mu$ beam  
last July

# Perspectives



# Conclusions

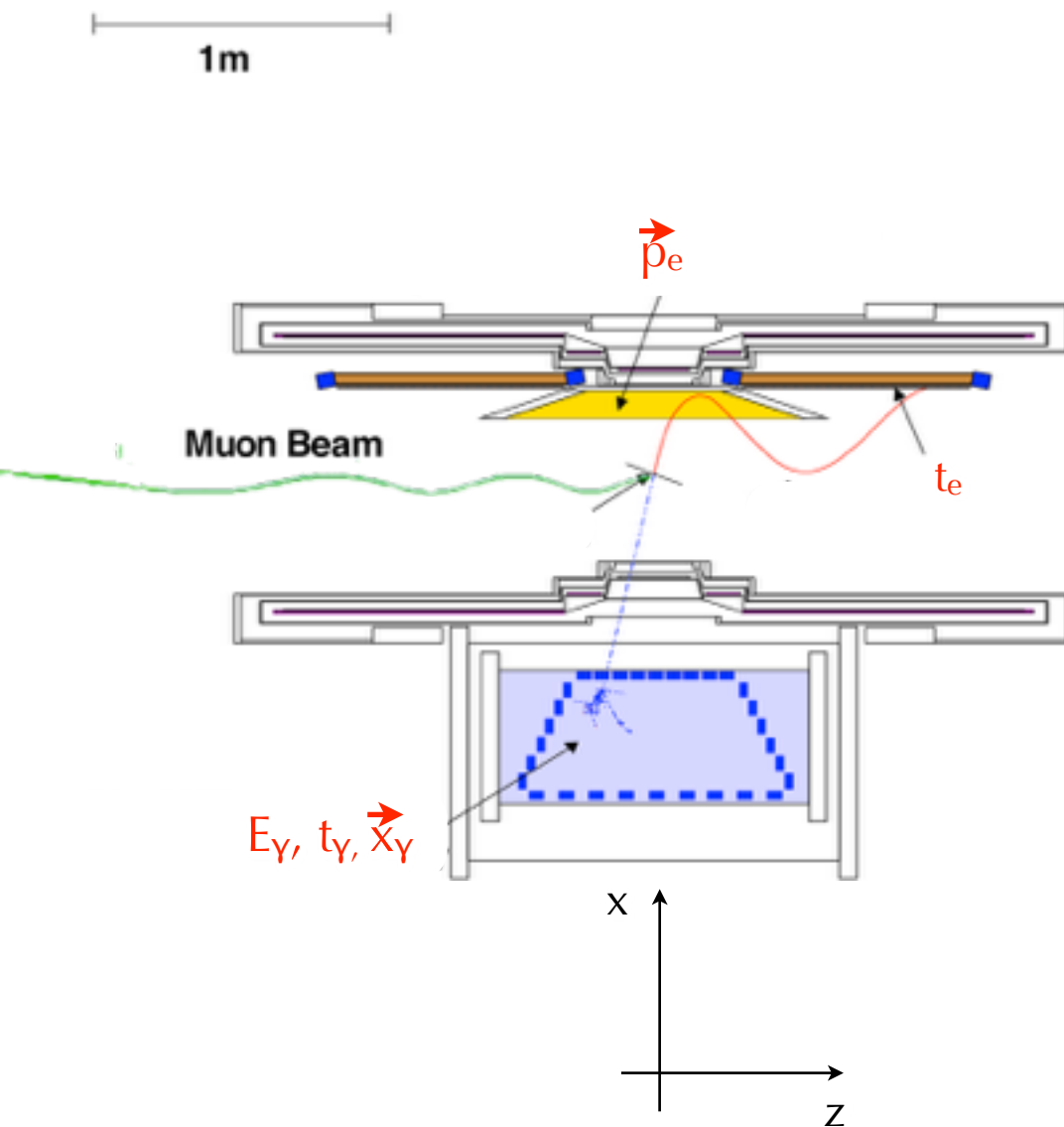
- The final result of the MEG experiment is
  - $BR(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) < 4.2 \cdot 10^{-13}$  @90% CL
    - many improvements in reconstruction and systematics treatments developed
- The MEG II is going to improve MEG sensitivity by one order of magnitude
- construction on going
  - *first data taken last year with a part of the TC detector and the RDC counter with the first TDAQ system*
  - *in 2016 is going to be crucial for the realisation of the new devices*

**Thank you...  
and stay tuned!**



**Backup**

# Detector overview



- $\mu$  decay at rest

- *Beam rate:  $3 \times 10^7 \mu/s$*

- *$\mu$  stopped in  $205 \mu m$  target*

- $\gamma$  detection

- *Liquid Xenon calorimetry with scintillation light*

- fast: 4/22/45 ns

- high LY:  $\sim 0.8$  NaI

- short  $X_0$ : 2.77 cm

- positron detection

- *magnetic spectrometer*

- non-uniform B field  $\rightarrow$  constant bending radius and e swept rapidly away

- ultra-thin drift chambers to limit matter effects ( $X_0 \sim 0.0003$  per module)

- *TC detector*

- time of flight with plastic scintillator counters

# Calibration system (a subset!)

**Proton Accelerator**

**Li(p,γ)Be**  
 LiF target at COBRA center  
 17.6MeV  $\gamma$   
 ~daily calib.  
 also for initial setup

**Alpha on wires**

**PMT QE & Att. L**  
 Cold GXe  
 LXe

**$\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$**

$\pi + p \rightarrow \pi^0 + n$   
 $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  (55MeV, 83MeV)  
 $\pi + p \rightarrow \gamma + n$  (129MeV)  
 LH<sub>2</sub> target

**Detector Calibration**

**Mott e<sup>+</sup> scattering**

LXe side  
 Beam  
 Pneumatic actuator  
 MEG target  
 e<sup>+</sup> target

**$\mu$  radiative decay**

Lower beam intensity  $< 10^7$   
 Is necessary to reduce pile-ups  
 A few days ~ 1 week to get enough statistics

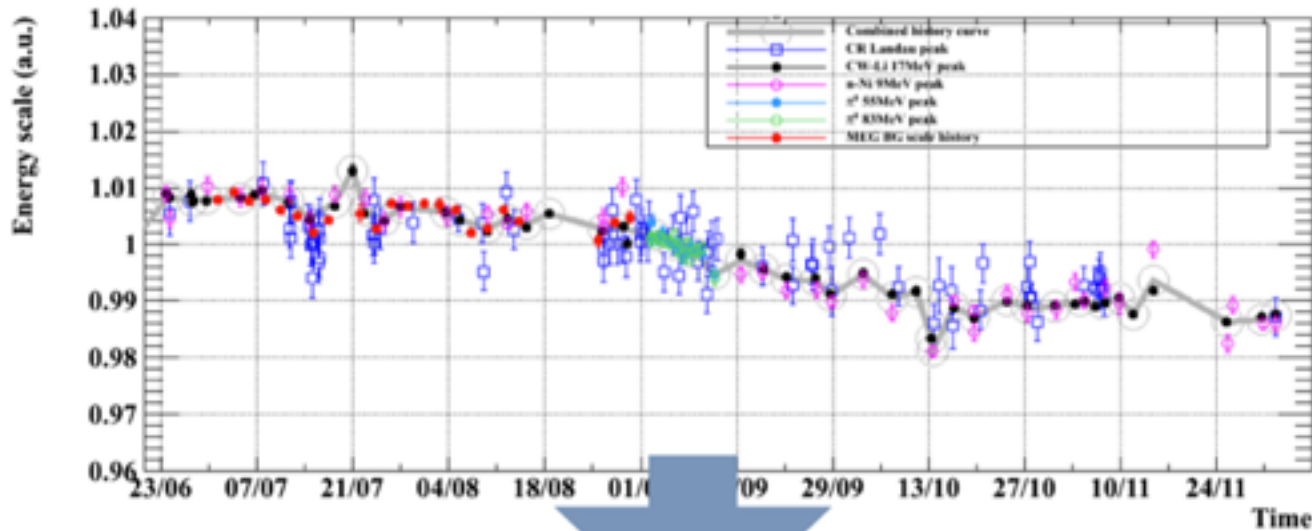
**Cosmic ray alignment**

**Nickel  $\gamma$  Generator**

off on  
 Illuminate Xe from the back  
 Source (Cf) transferred by comp air  $\rightarrow$  on/off  
**9 MeV Nickel -line**  
 NaI

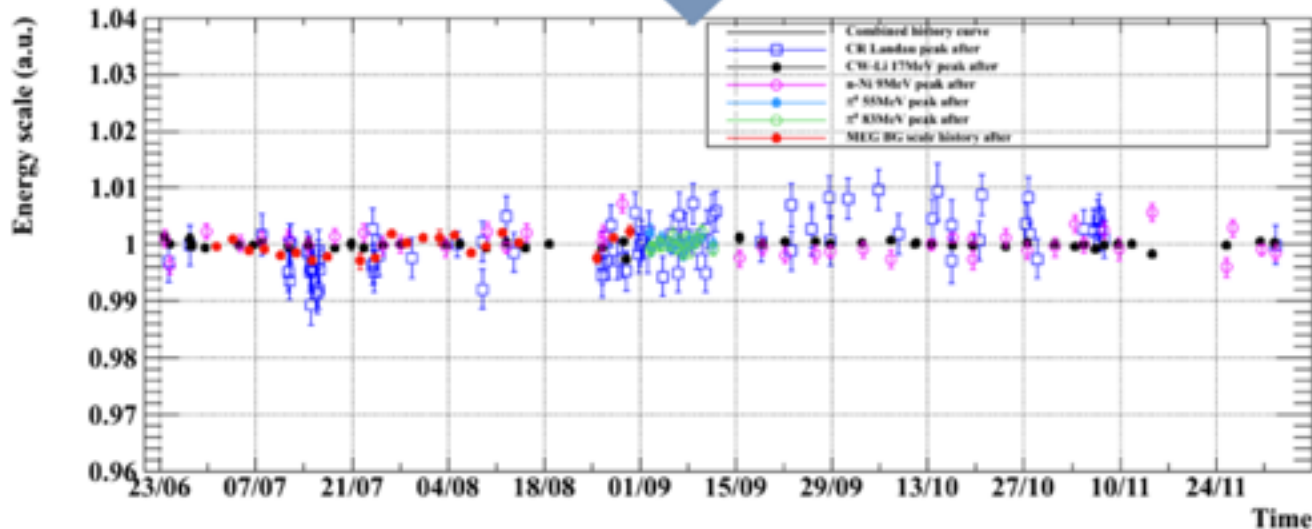
# Relevant example

Combined history curve



$\gamma$  energy scale  
before and after  
calibration

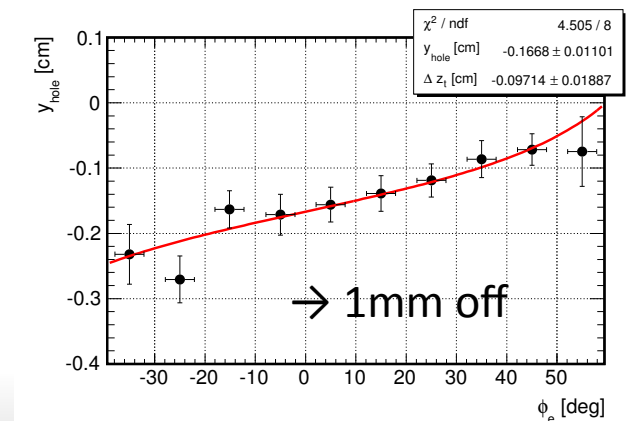
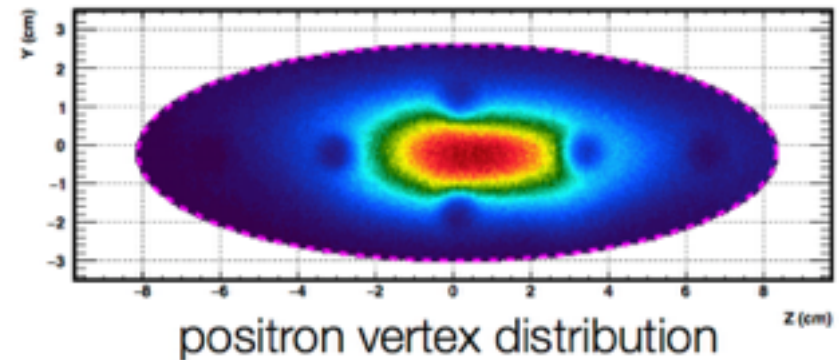
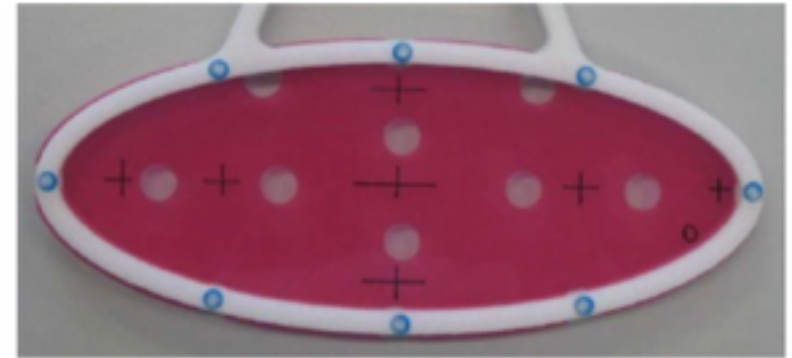
Combined history curve



uncertainty less  
than 0.5%

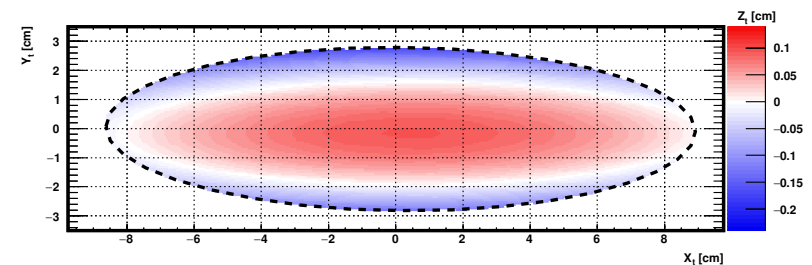
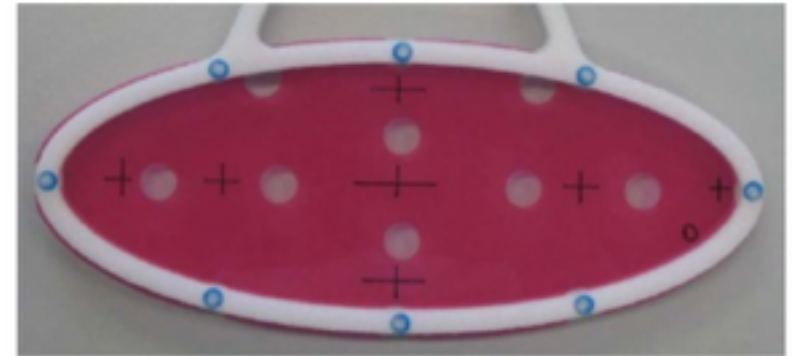
# Target Alignment

- Position and target shape are surveyed by
  - *hole reconstructions from data*
  - *optical survey between runs*
- worked well for the first part of the experiment
- *problems arising in 2012 2013 data*

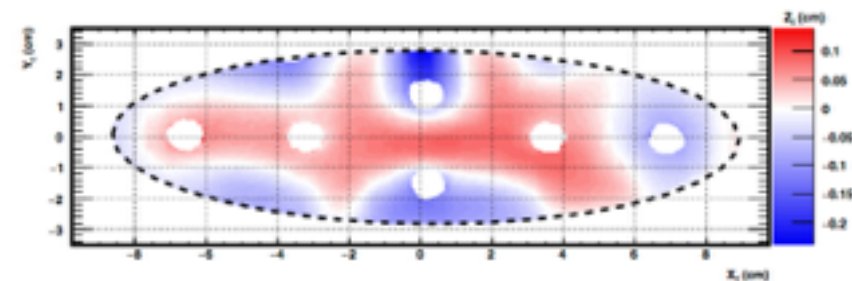


# Target Alignment (2)

- **Significant target planarity deformation** for **2012-2013** runs
  - *led to  $\sim 0.5$  mm uncertainty on the target position perpendicular to its plane*
    - a factor 2 larger than other years
  - *treated with nuisance parameters in likelihood analysis*
- **$\sim 13\%$  on average degradation** in sensitivity
  - *largest systematic effect*
- A few different target materials being studied for **MEG II**

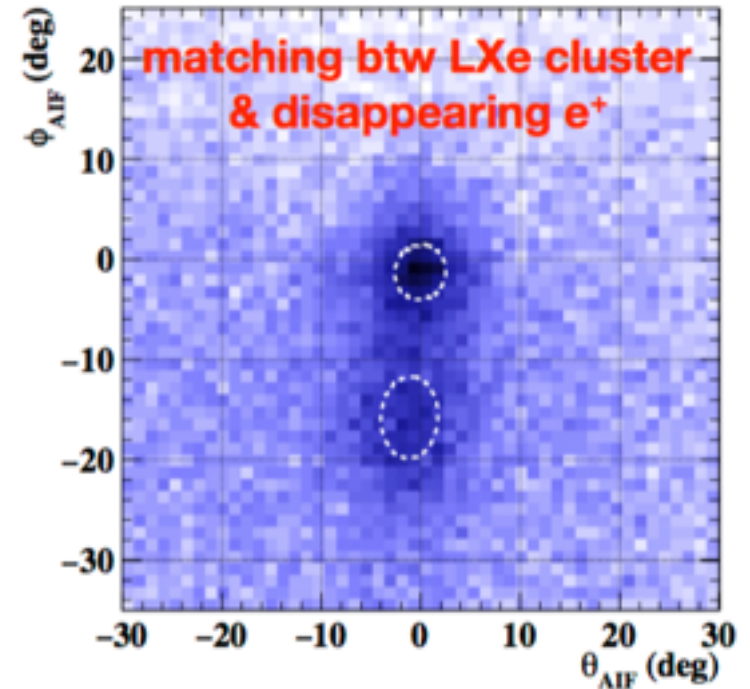
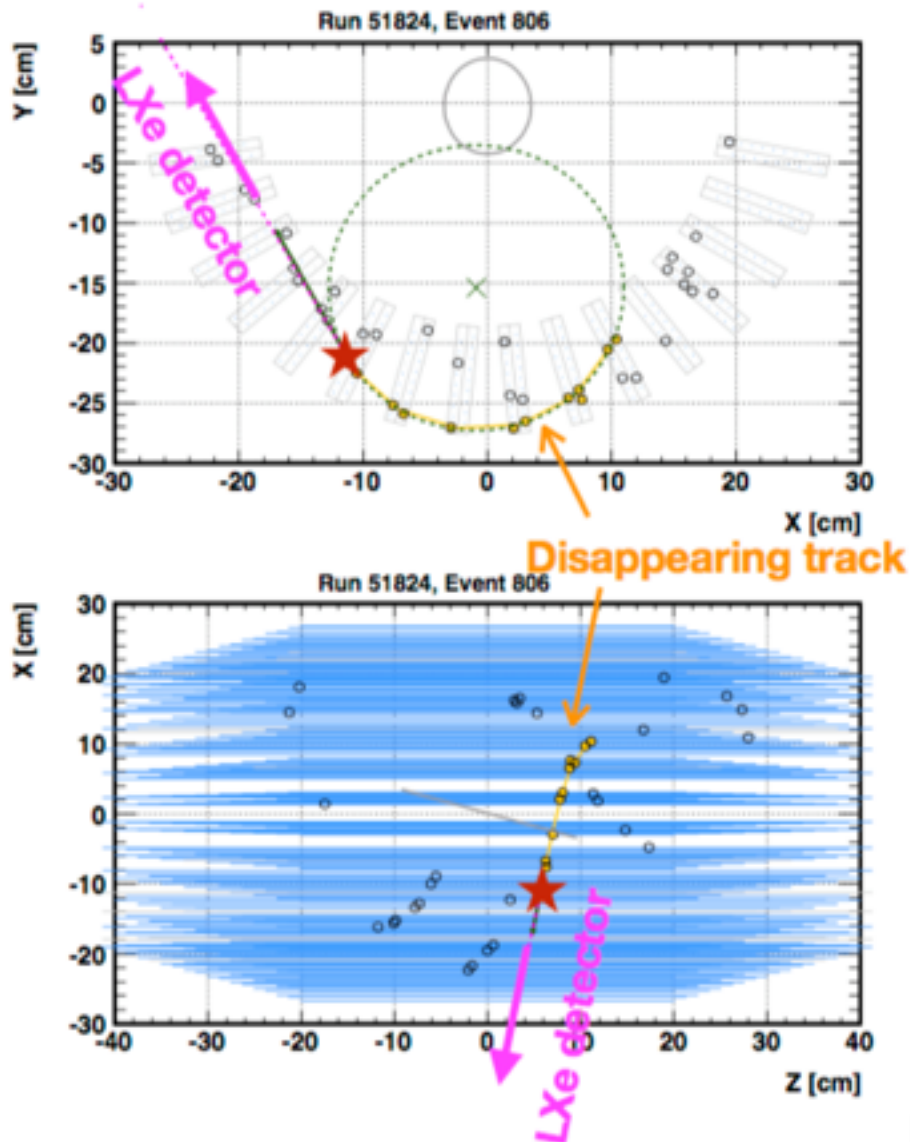


paraboloid shape from cross markers fit



deformation measured by 3D scanner

# AIF Gamma-rays

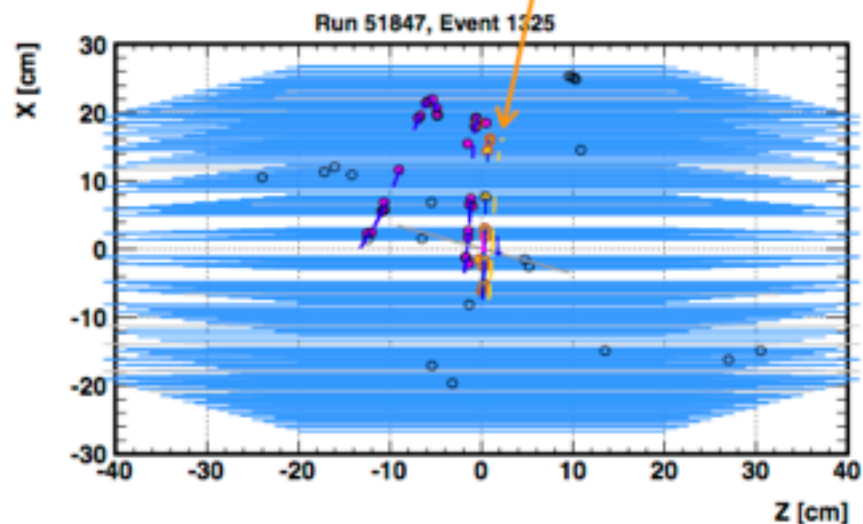
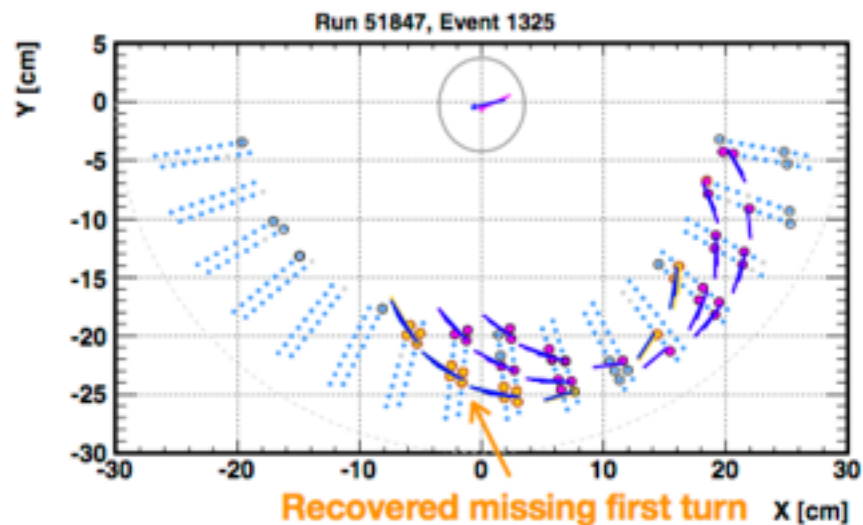
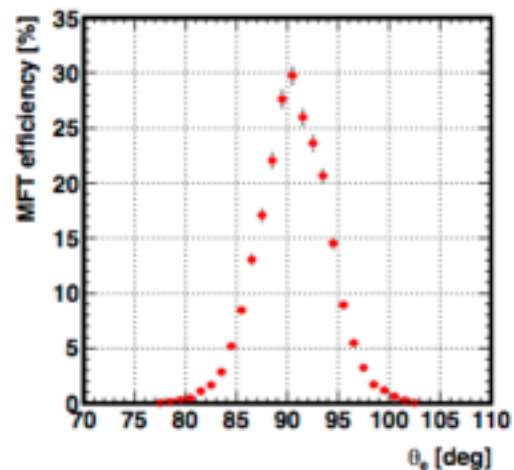
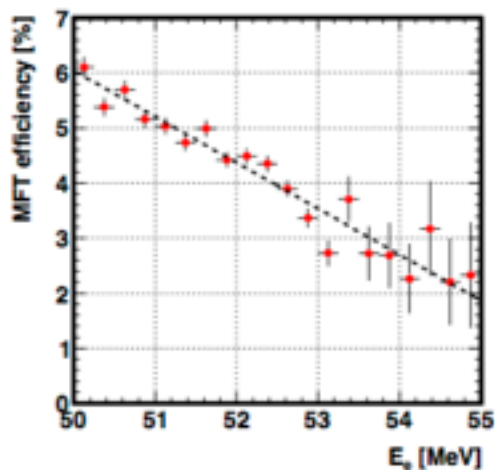


- $\gamma$ -rays from  $e^+$  annihilation inside DC were identified and rejected
  - overall BG rejection 1.9%
  - signal inefficiency 1.1%
  - protection from high  $\gamma$ -rays outliers events
- Double check of DC-Target-LXe alignment

# Missing 1st turn

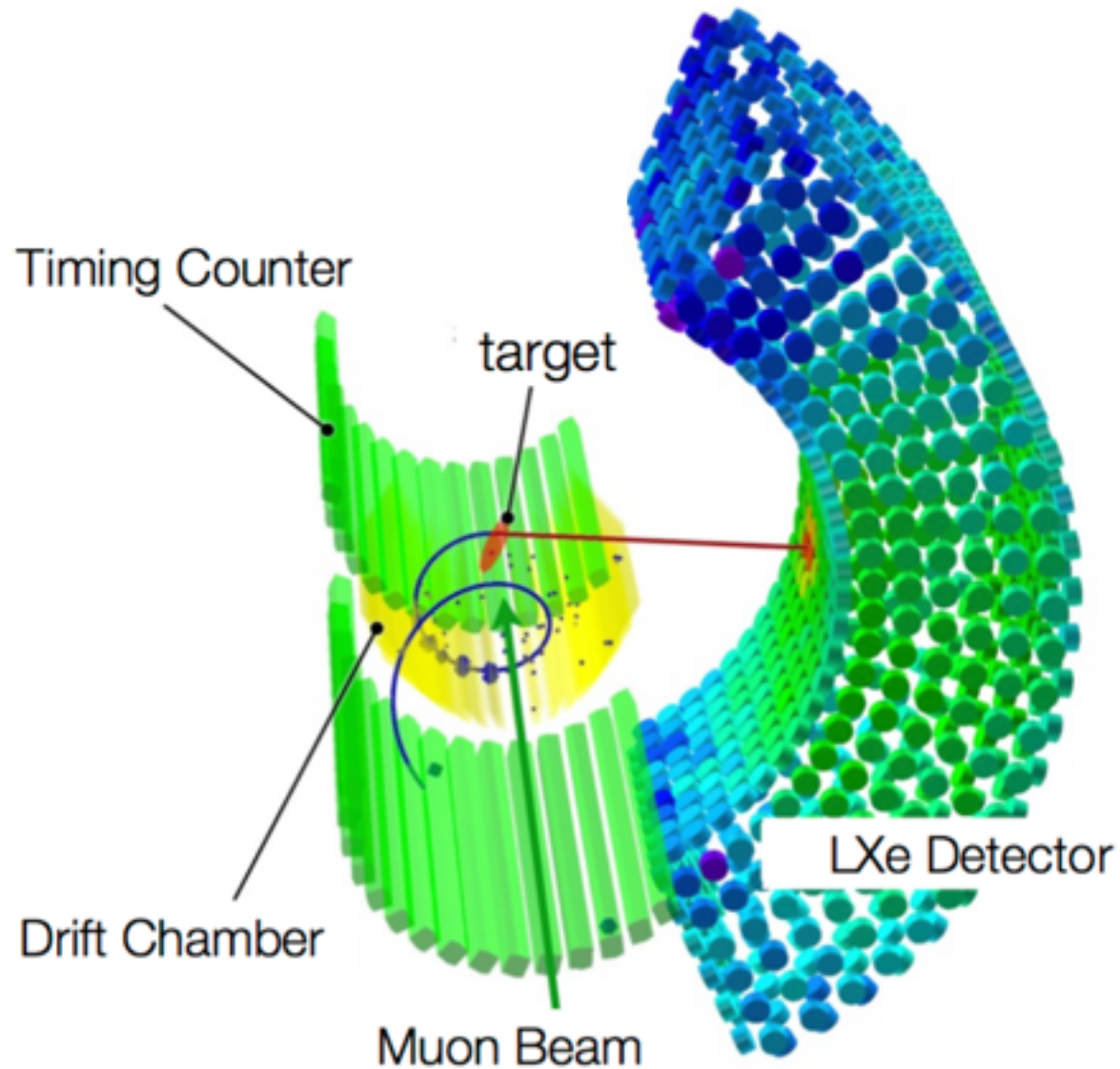
- Possibility to miss the first turn in a multiple hit event
- Algorithm revised to recover missing first turn
  - *signal efficiency improved by ~4%*

Efficiency of missing first turn recovery



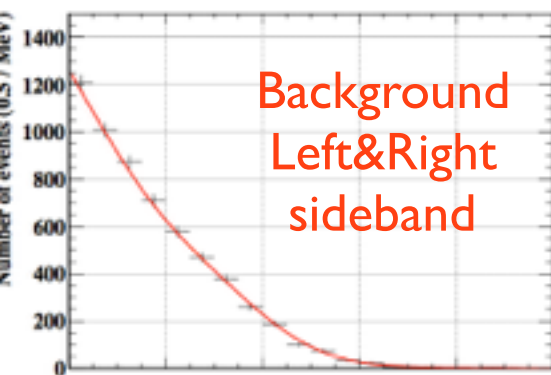
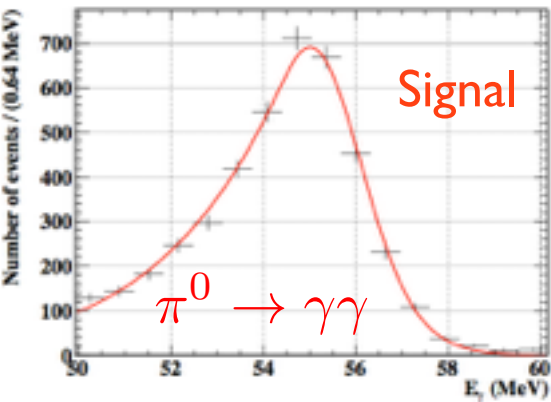


# One event in the box

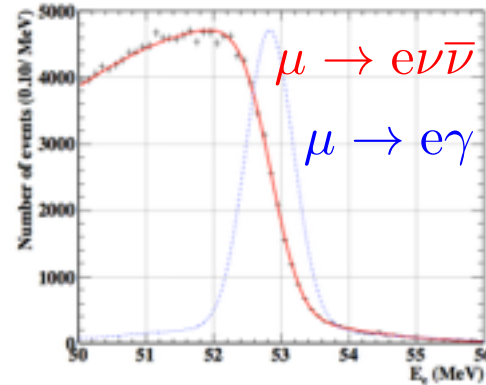


# Probability density functions

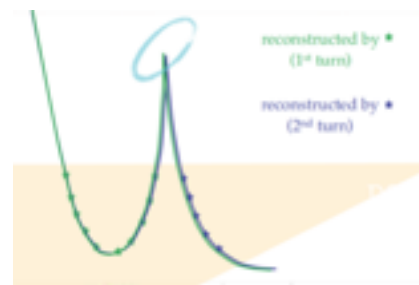
## Photon



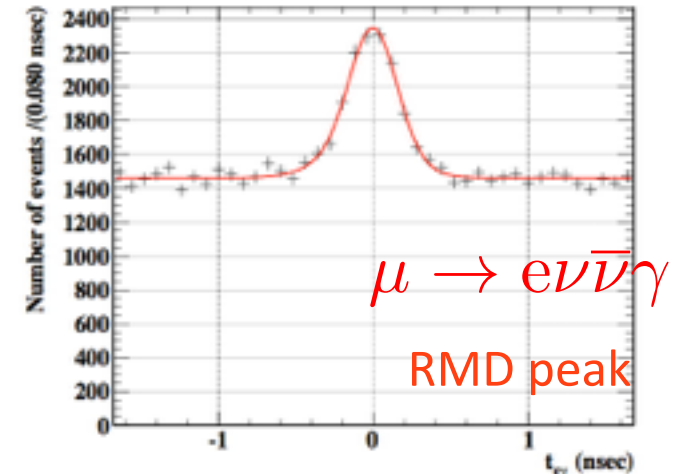
## Positron



Resolutions from Michel edge and double turns method



## Relative timing



Variable	Obtained
$\Delta E_\gamma$ (%)	1.7
$\Delta t_\gamma$ (psec)	67
$\gamma$ position (mm)	5(u,v),6(w)
$\gamma$ efficiency (%)	63
$\Delta P_e$ (KeV)	306
$e^+$ angle (mrad)	8.7( $\phi_c$ ),9.4( $\theta_c$ )
$\Delta t_{e^+}$ (psec)	107
$e^+$ efficiency (%)	40
$\Delta t_{e\gamma}$ (ps)	122

# Likelihood function

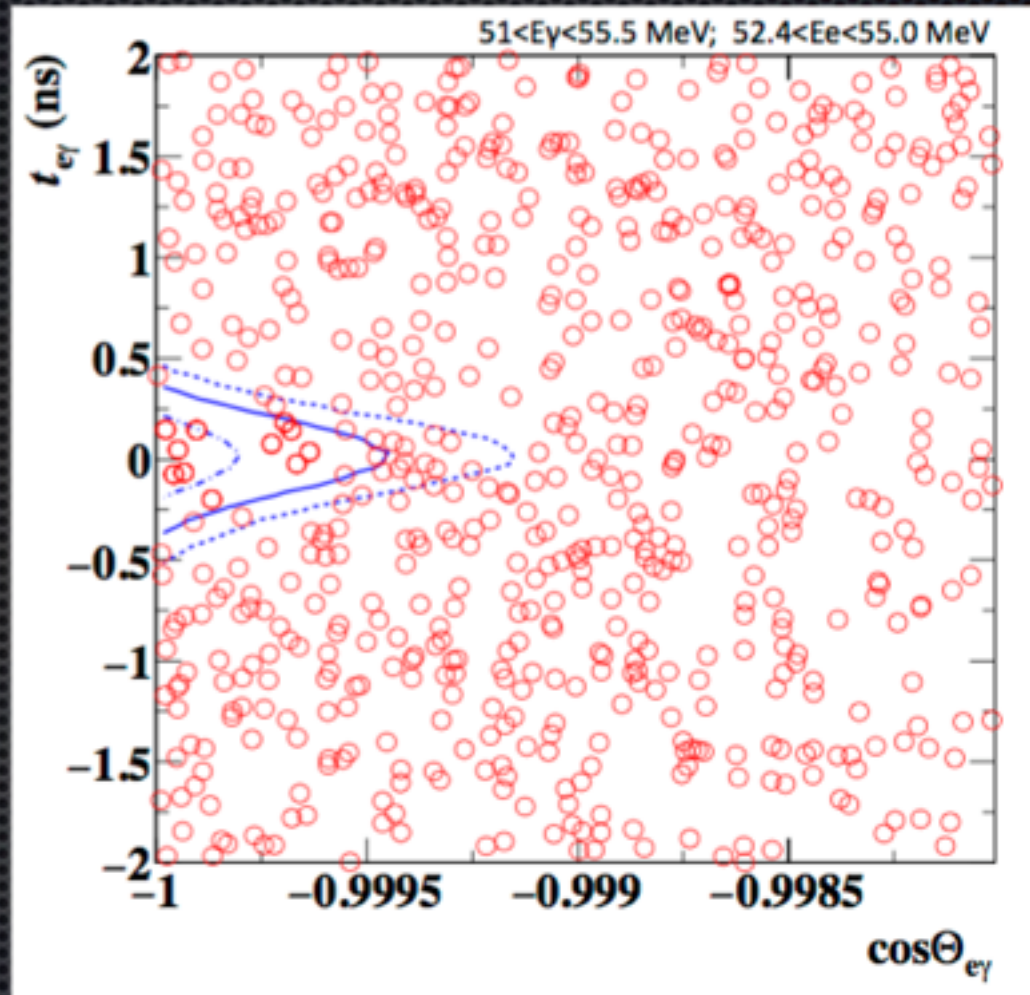
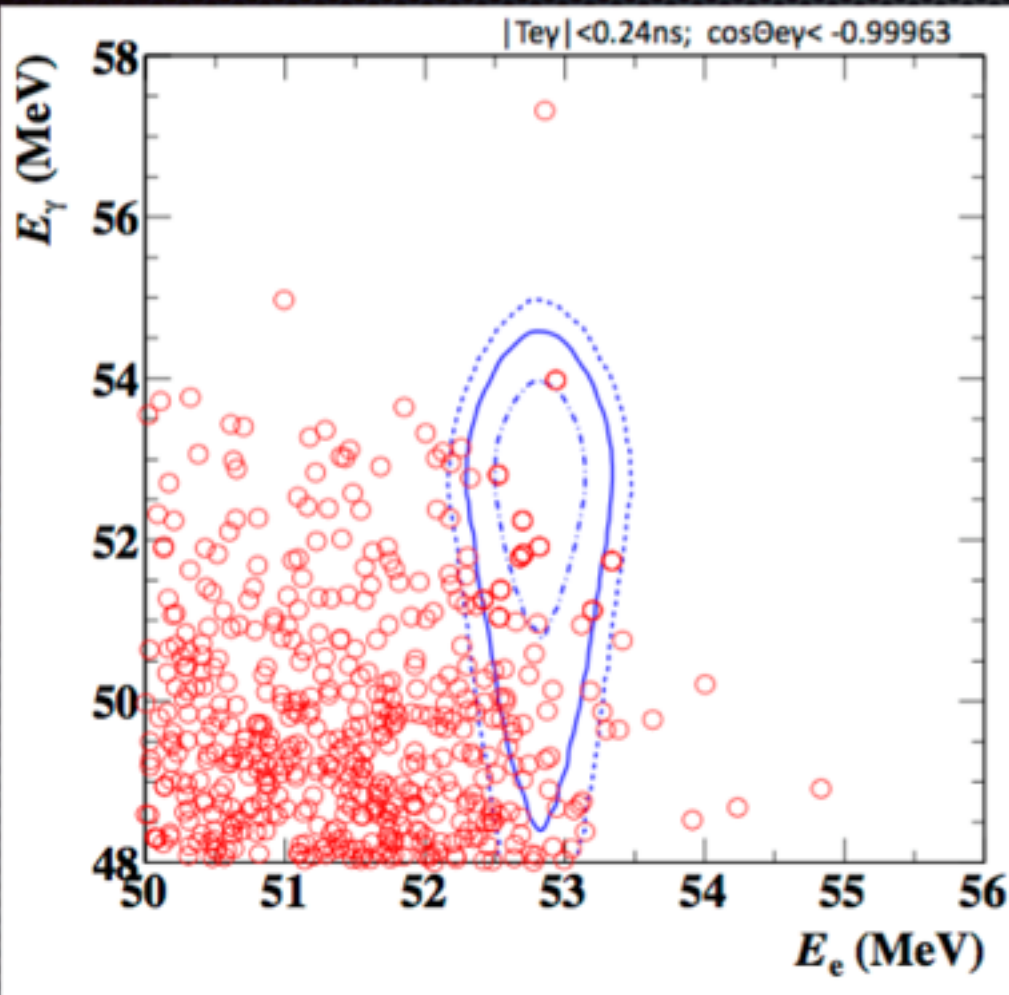
- **Likelihood** function in terms of **Signal**, **Radiative muon decay**, and **accidental Background number of events** and **PDFs**

$$\mathcal{L}(N_{\text{sig}}, N_{\text{RMD}}, N_{\text{BG}}) = \frac{e^{-N}}{N_{\text{obs}}!} e^{-[(N_{\text{RMD}} - \langle N_{\text{RMD}} \rangle)^2 / 2\sigma_{\text{RMD}}^2]} \times e^{-[(N_{\text{BG}} - \langle N_{\text{BG}} \rangle)^2 / 2\sigma_{\text{BG}}^2]} \prod_{i=1}^{N_{\text{obs}}} [N_{\text{sig}} S(\vec{x}_i) + N_{\text{RMD}} R(\vec{x}_i) + N_{\text{BG}} B(\vec{x}_i)],$$

Number of background events constrained with side bands

- $N_S$ ,  $N_R$ ,  $N_B$  measured **simultaneously** with an **un-binned** Likelihood fit in the **analysis box**
- $B(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma)$  C.L. with **profiled-likelihood ratio ordering**
- Cross-check:
  - *two independent analysis with different PDFs*
    - **Analysis A:** separated angles ( $\theta_{e\gamma}$ ,  $\phi_{e\gamma}$ ) and **event by event PDFs**
    - **Analysis B:** stereo angle  $\Theta_{e\gamma}$ , **constant PDF (Pisa)**

# 4D Event distribution

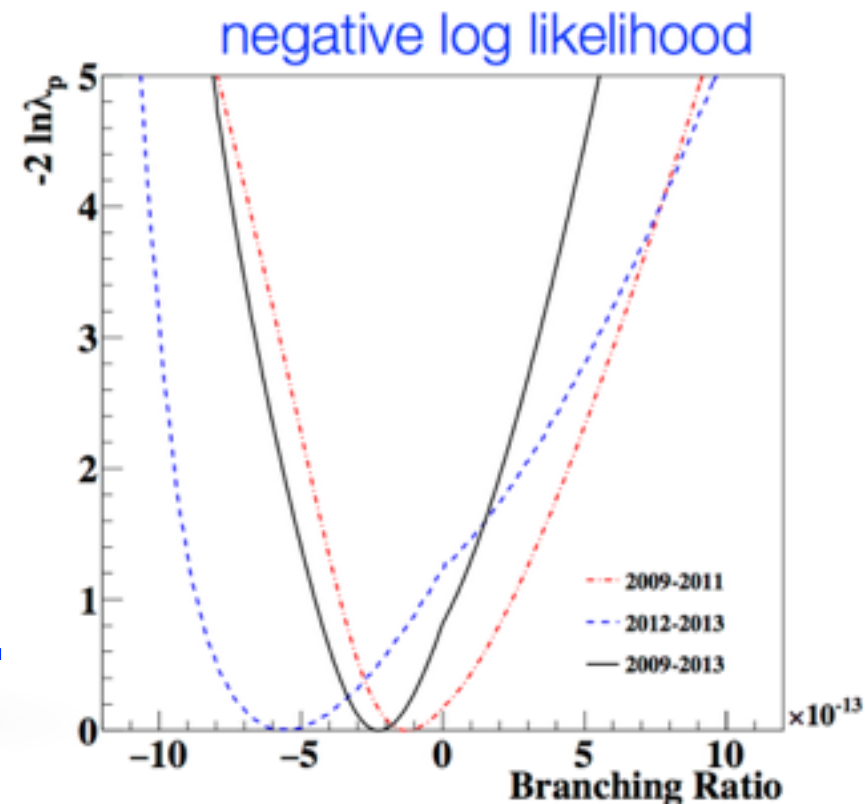


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# Final MEG result

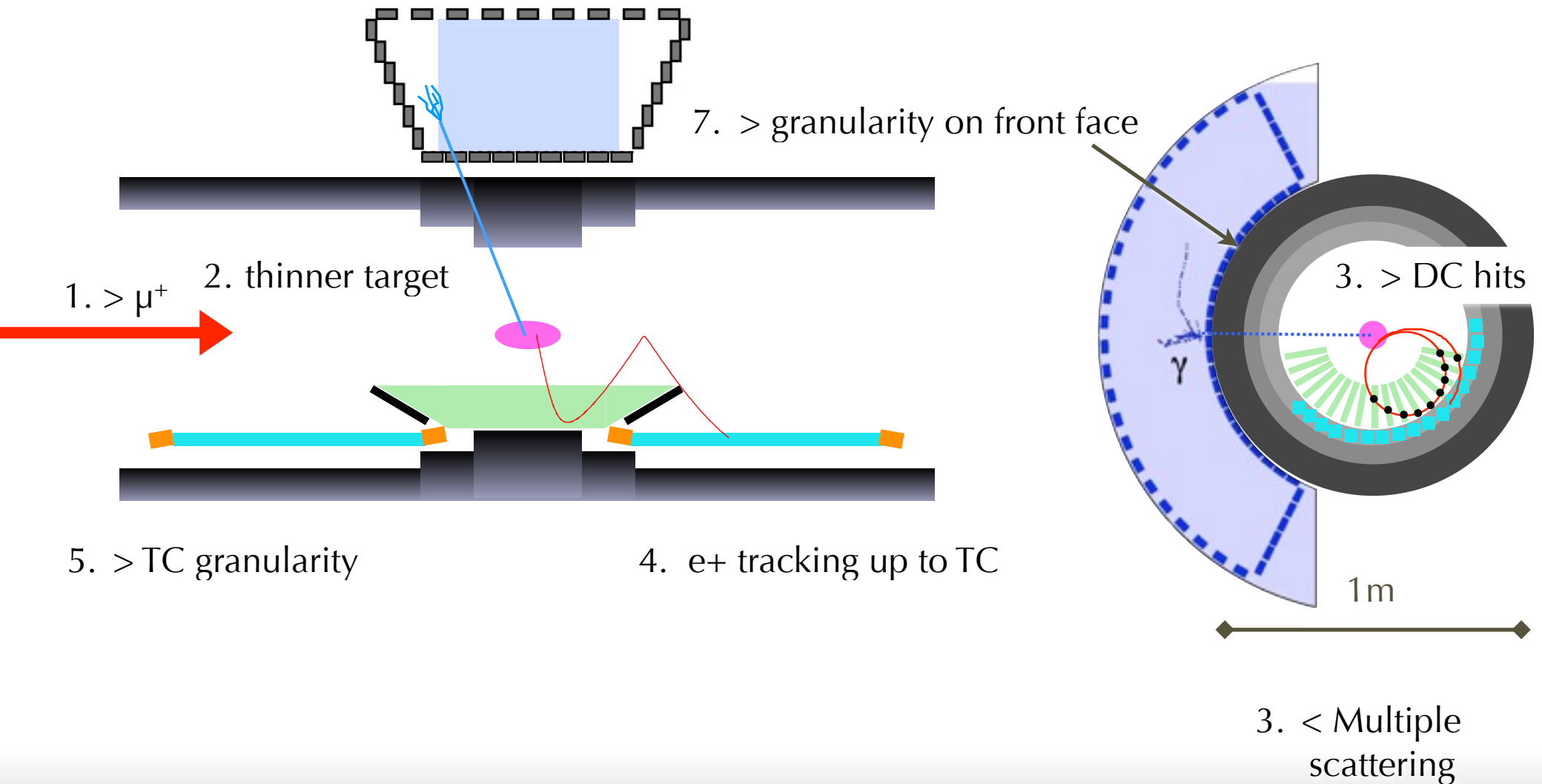
Dataset	2009-2011	2012-2013	All
Best Fit	-1.3	-5.5	-2.2
90% CL Upper Limit	$6.1 \cdot 10^{-13}$	$7.9 \cdot 10^{-13}$	<b><math>4.2 \cdot 10^{-13}</math></b>
Sensitivity	$8.0 \cdot 10^{-13}$	$8.2 \cdot 10^{-13}$	$5.3 \cdot 10^{-13}$

**$BR(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) < 4.2 \cdot 10^{-13} @ 90\% \text{ CL}$**

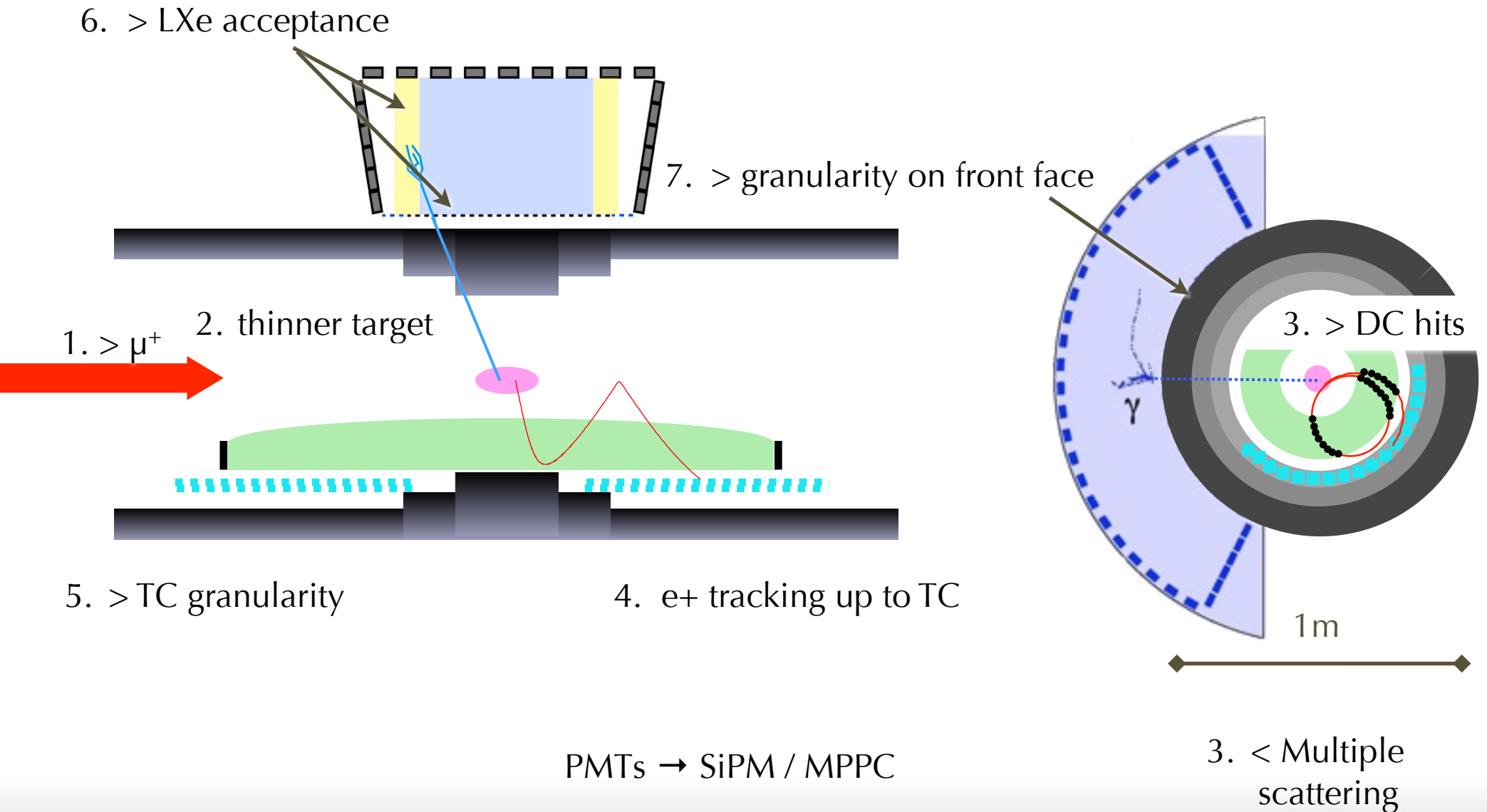


# MEG II at a glance

6. > LXe acceptance



# MEG II at a glance



# MEG II sensitivity

PDF parameters	Present MEG	Upgrade scenario
$\sigma_{E_{e^+}}$ (keV)	380	110
$e^+ \sigma_\theta$ (mrad)	9	5
$e^+ \sigma_\phi$ (mrad)	11	5
$e^+ \sigma_Z / \sigma_Y(\text{core})$ (mm)	2.0/1.0	1.2/0.7
$\frac{\sigma_{E_\gamma}}{E_\gamma}$ (%) $w > 2$ cm	1.6	1.0
$\gamma$ position at LXe $\sigma_{(u,v)} - \sigma_w$ (mm)	4	2
$\gamma$ - $e^+$ timing (ps)	120	80
Efficiency (%)		
trigger	$\approx 99$	$\approx 99$
$\gamma$ reconstruction	60	60
$e^+$ reconstruction	40	95
event selection	80	85

