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**Beyond-the-Standard-Model Physics  
with Intense Muon Beams**

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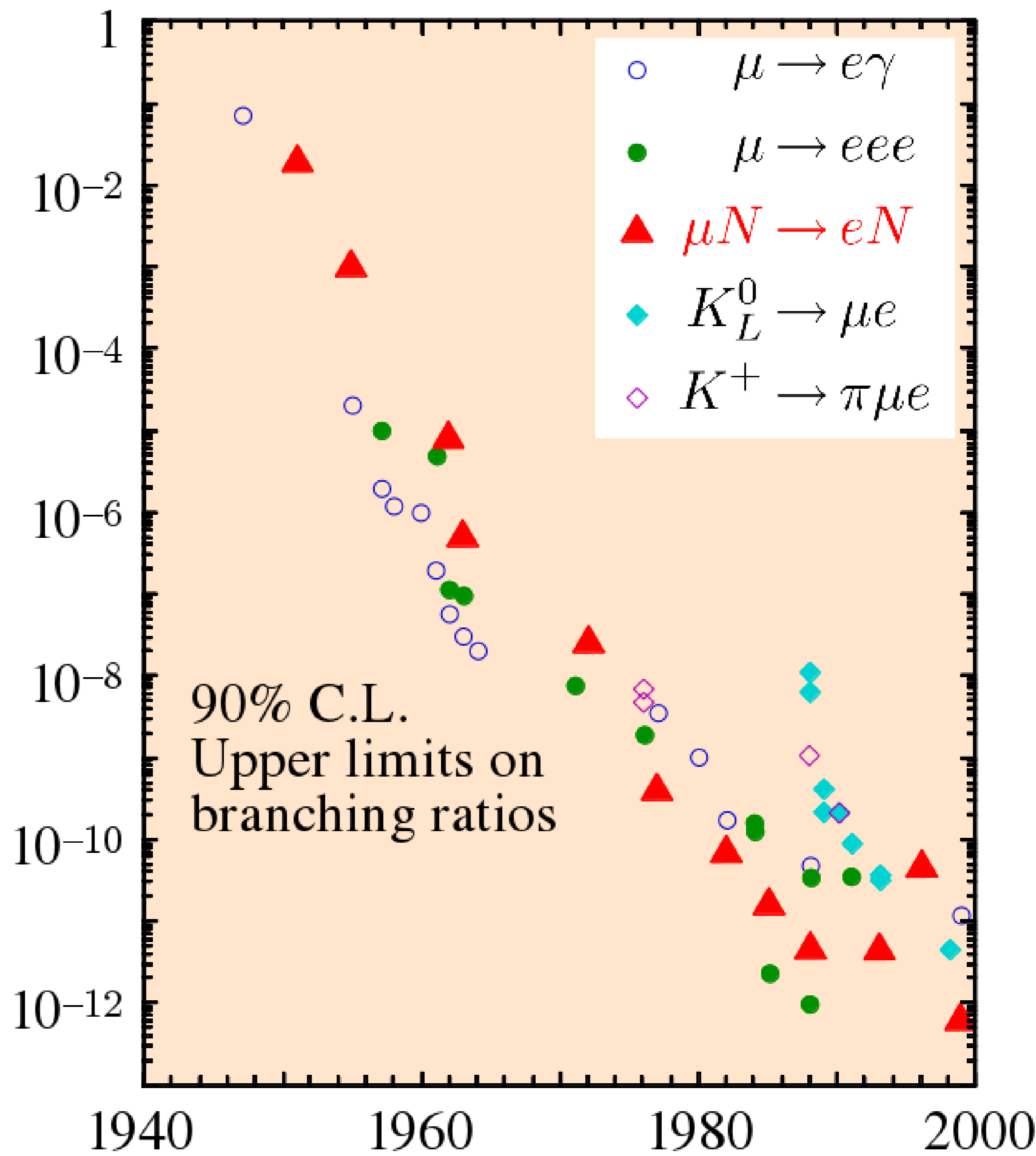
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# Flavour Violation in Leptons

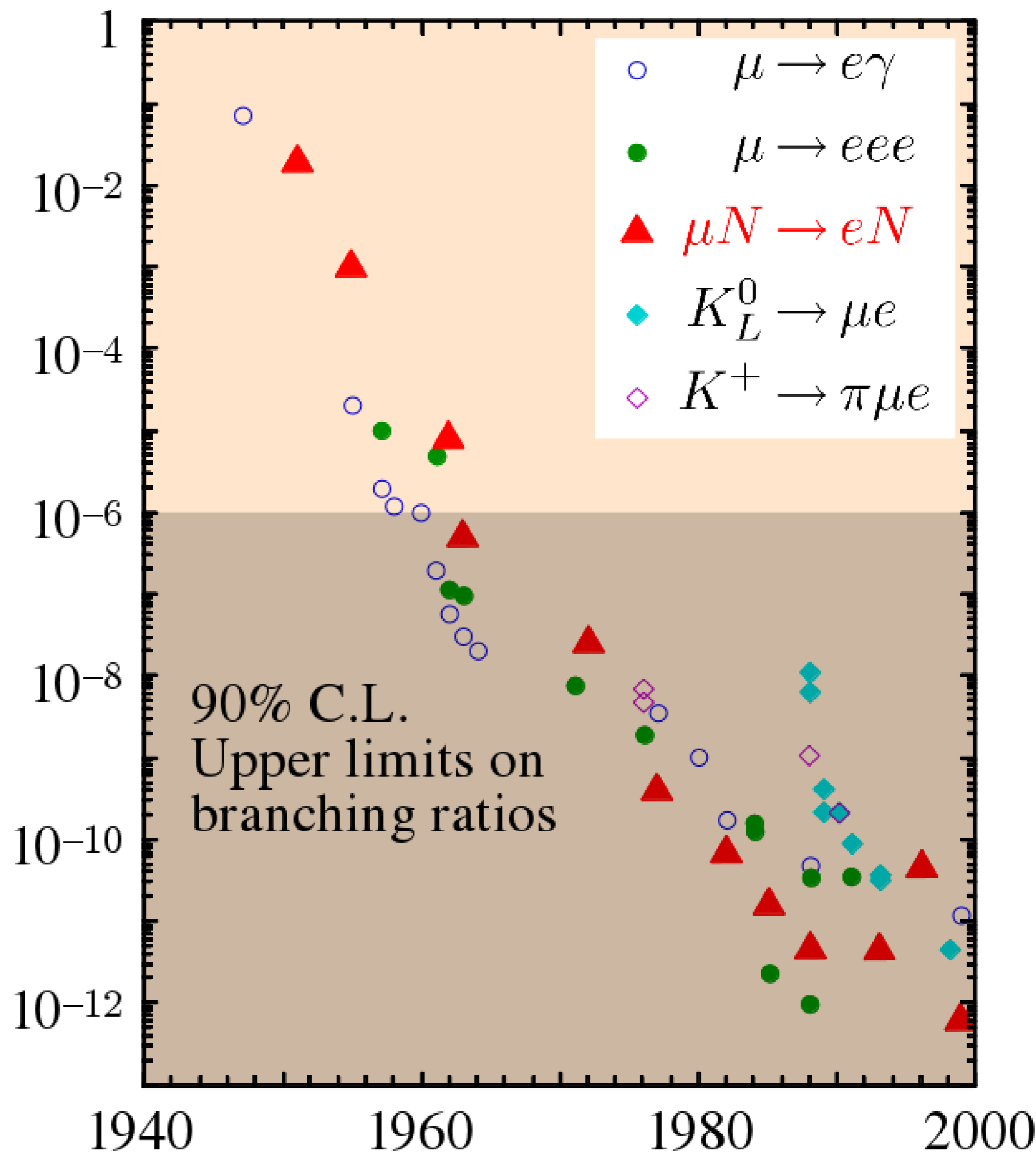


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## LAW OF CONSERVATION OF MUONS\*

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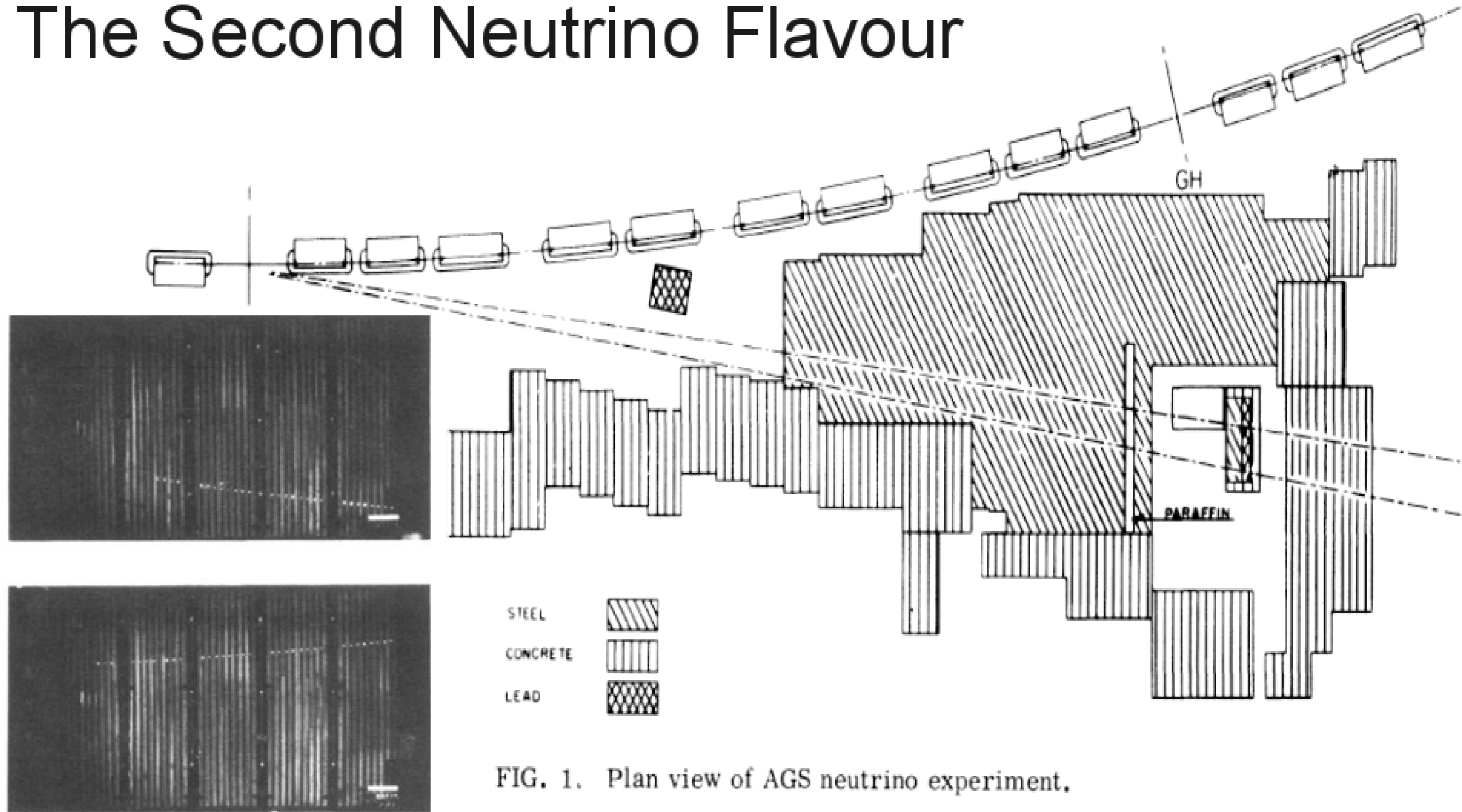
The apparent absence of muon-electron transitions without neutrinos, such as  $\mu \rightarrow e + \gamma$ ,  $\mu \rightarrow 3e$ , and  $\mu^- + p \rightarrow e^- + p$ , leads one to suspect that there is a new conservation law forbidding them.

If we assume that  $\mu^- - e^-$  transitions are forbidden by a selection rule, the nature of the selection rule remains an open question. It has been suggested<sup>3</sup> that an additive quantum number exists which is always conserved, and which<sup>4</sup> is +1 for  $\mu^-$  and zero for  $e^-$ . In order to make this consistent with known weak interactions, it is necessary to assume that there are two neutrinos, which are distinguished by their value of this quantum number. The conservation law forbids all reactions in which any nonzero number of muons change into electrons, without neutrinos.

This assumption of an additive conservation law is not the only possibility. All of the "missing reactions" involve odd numbers of muons and electrons. It is therefore possible to forbid them by a multiplicative conservation law. By this it

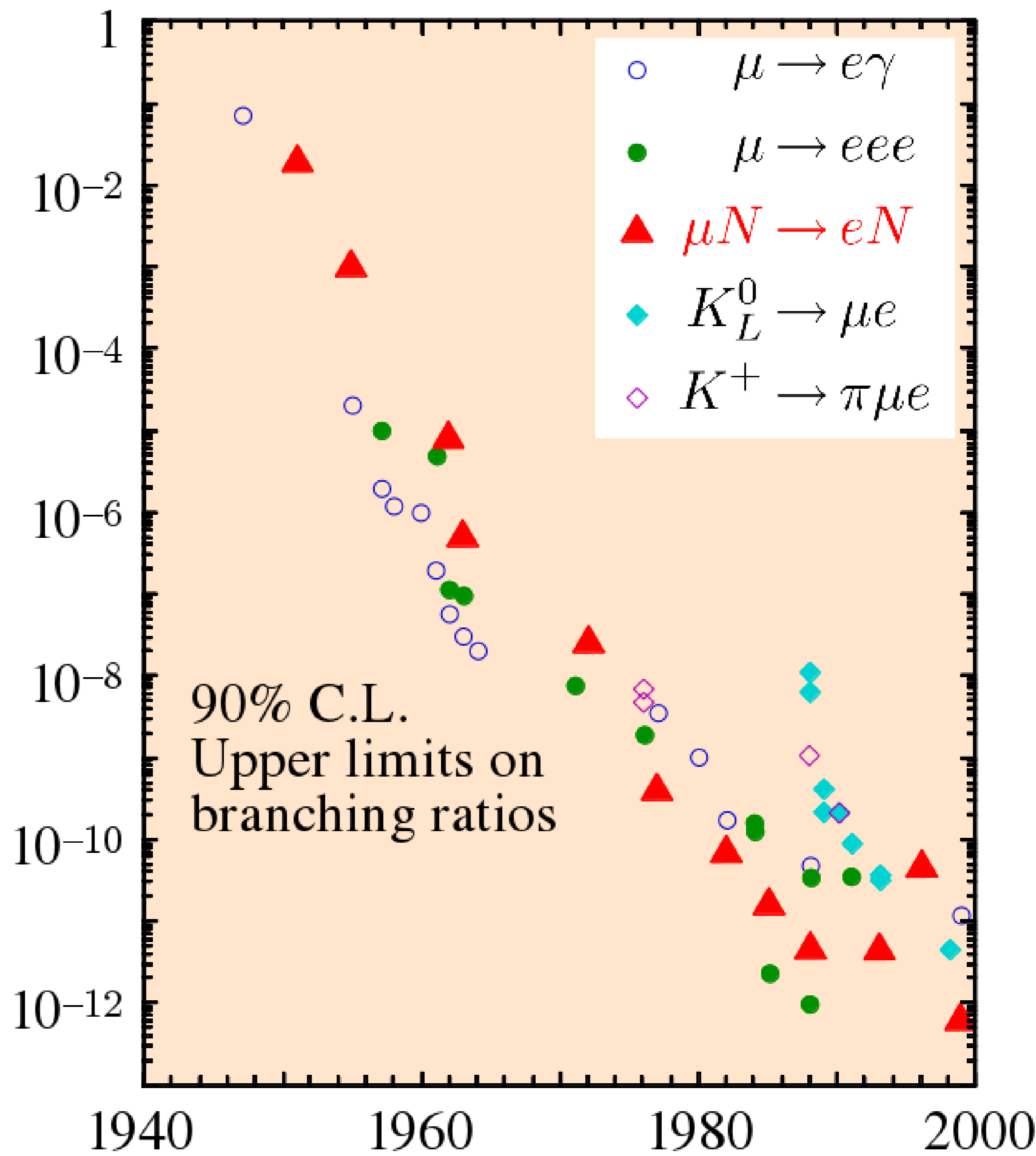
with Nishijima,  
Schwinger  
and others

# The Second Neutrino Flavour



Discovery of "muon neutrinos" at  
Brookhaven, 1962  
(Lederman, Schwartz, Steinberger)

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$\mu^- Au \rightarrow e^- Au$	$< 7 \times 10^{-13}$
$\mu^+ e^- \rightarrow \mu^- e^+$	$< 8.3 \times 10^{-11}$
$\tau \rightarrow e \gamma$	$< 3.3 \times 10^{-8}$
$\tau \rightarrow \mu \gamma$	$< 4.4 \times 10^{-8}$
$\tau \rightarrow \mu \mu \mu$	$< 3.2 \times 10^{-8}$
$\tau \rightarrow e e e$	$< 3.6 \times 10^{-8}$
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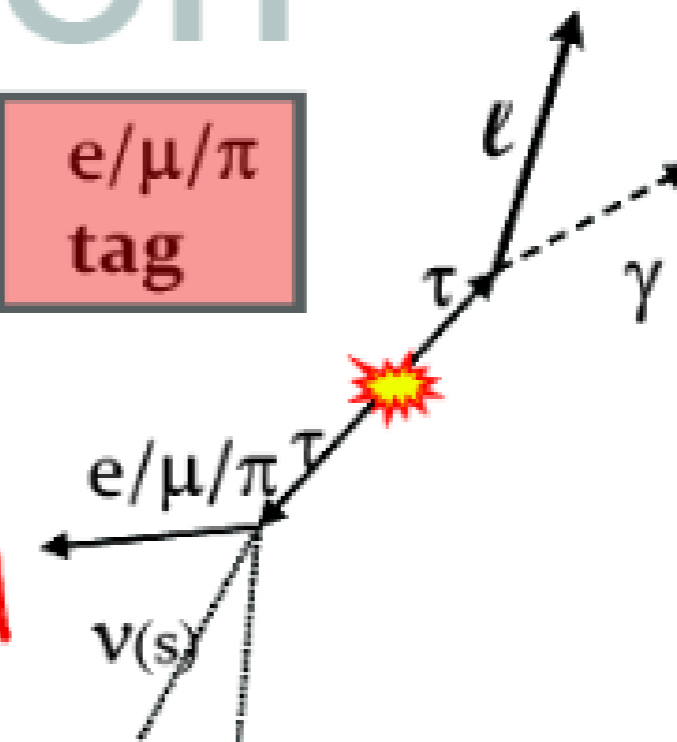
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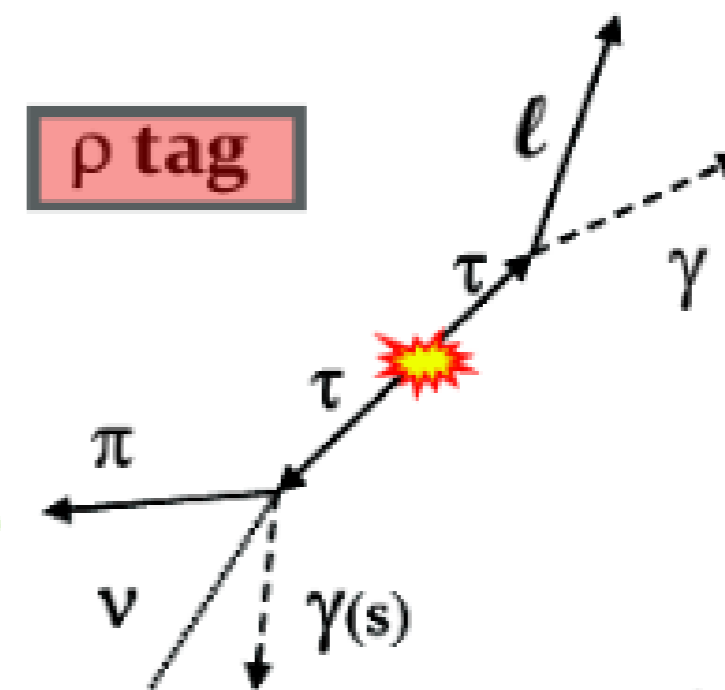
- events to be in  $\Delta E$ ,  $M_{ec}$  signal box
- signal track identified as an e ( $e\gamma$ ) or  $\mu$  ( $\mu\gamma$ )
- Signal candidates are divided in 5 categories, depending on decay in tag side and different selection is applied for each category

- e-tag: tag track ID as electron, neutral energy in tag side  $< 200$  MeV ( $e/\mu$ )
- $\mu$ -tag: tag track ID as  $\mu$ , neutral energy in tag side  $< 200$  MeV ( $e/\mu$ )
- $\pi$ -tag: tag track ID neither e nor  $\mu$ , neutral energy in tag side  $< 200$  MeV ( $e/\mu$ )
- $\rho$ -tag: tag track ID neither e nor  $\mu$ , one  $\pi^0$  candidate in tag side  $m_{\pi} \in [90, 165]$  MeV
- 3h-tag: 3 tracks in tag side, not identified as e or  $\mu$

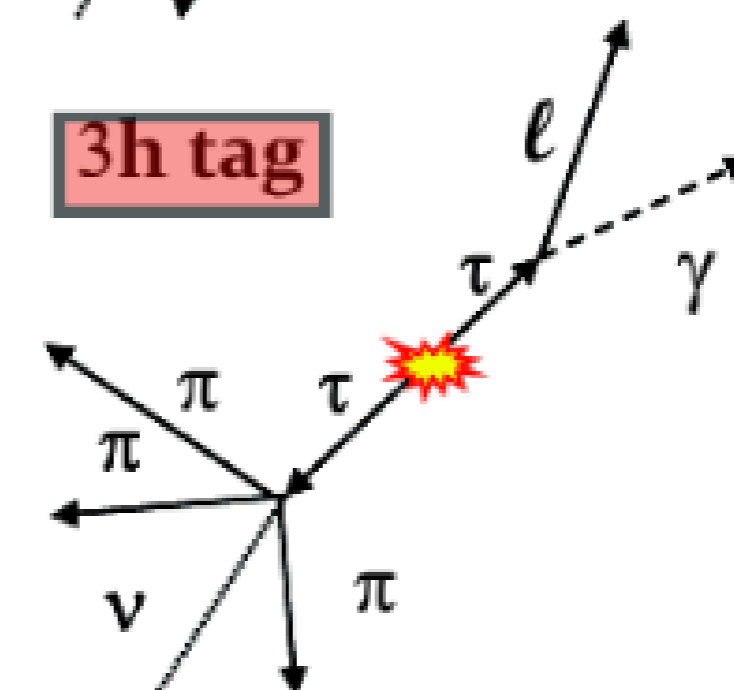
e/ $\mu$ / $\pi$   
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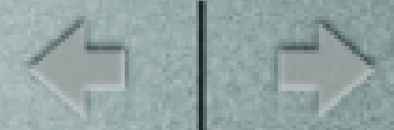


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3h tag





# Results

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- Efficiency ( $2\sigma$ ) =  $3.9 \pm 0.3 \%$
- Expected Bkg =  $1.6 \pm 0.5$  events
- Expected Upper Limit:  $9.8 \times 10^{-8}$
- Observed Number of events: 0

• Previous Limits:

- BaBar (232 fb<sup>-1</sup>):  $1.1 \times 10^{-7}$
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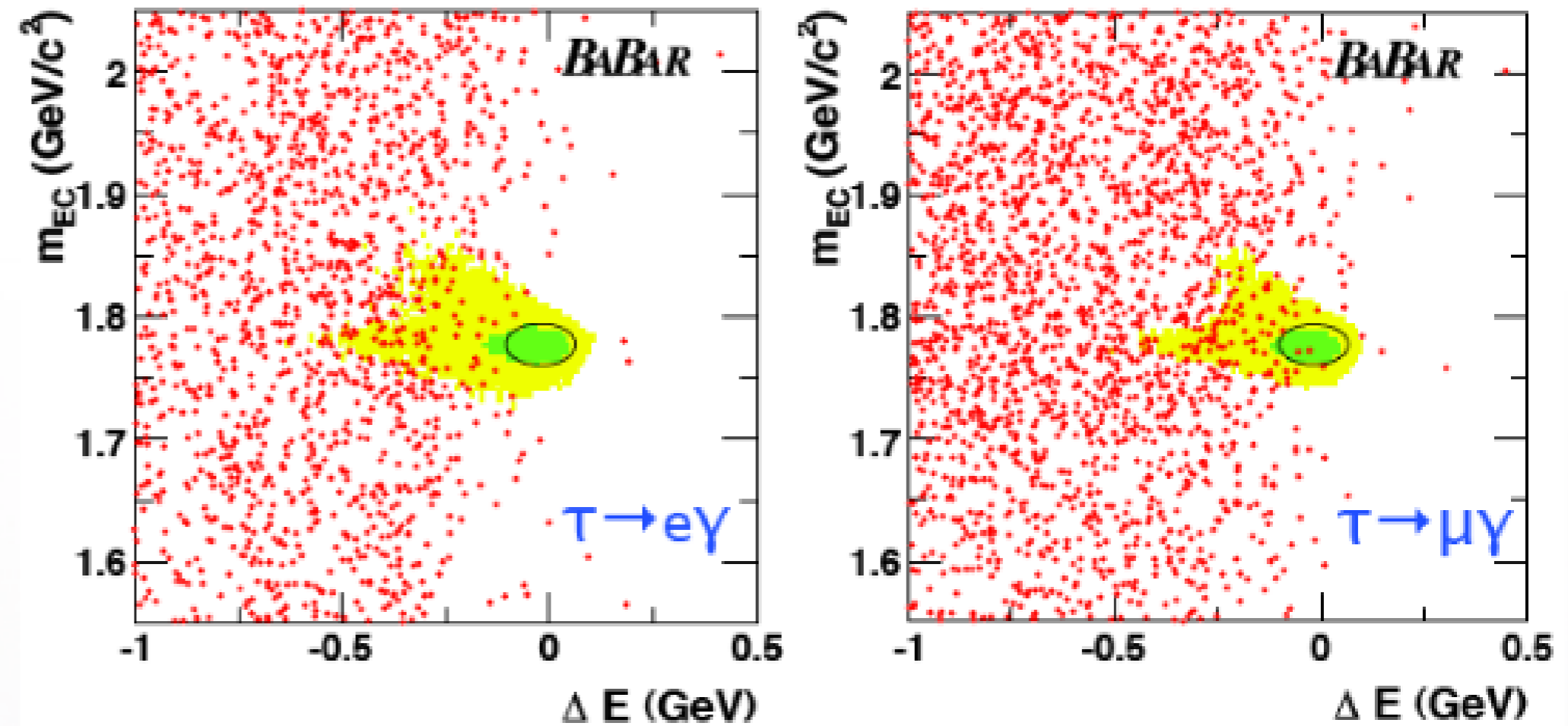
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- Observed Number of events: 2

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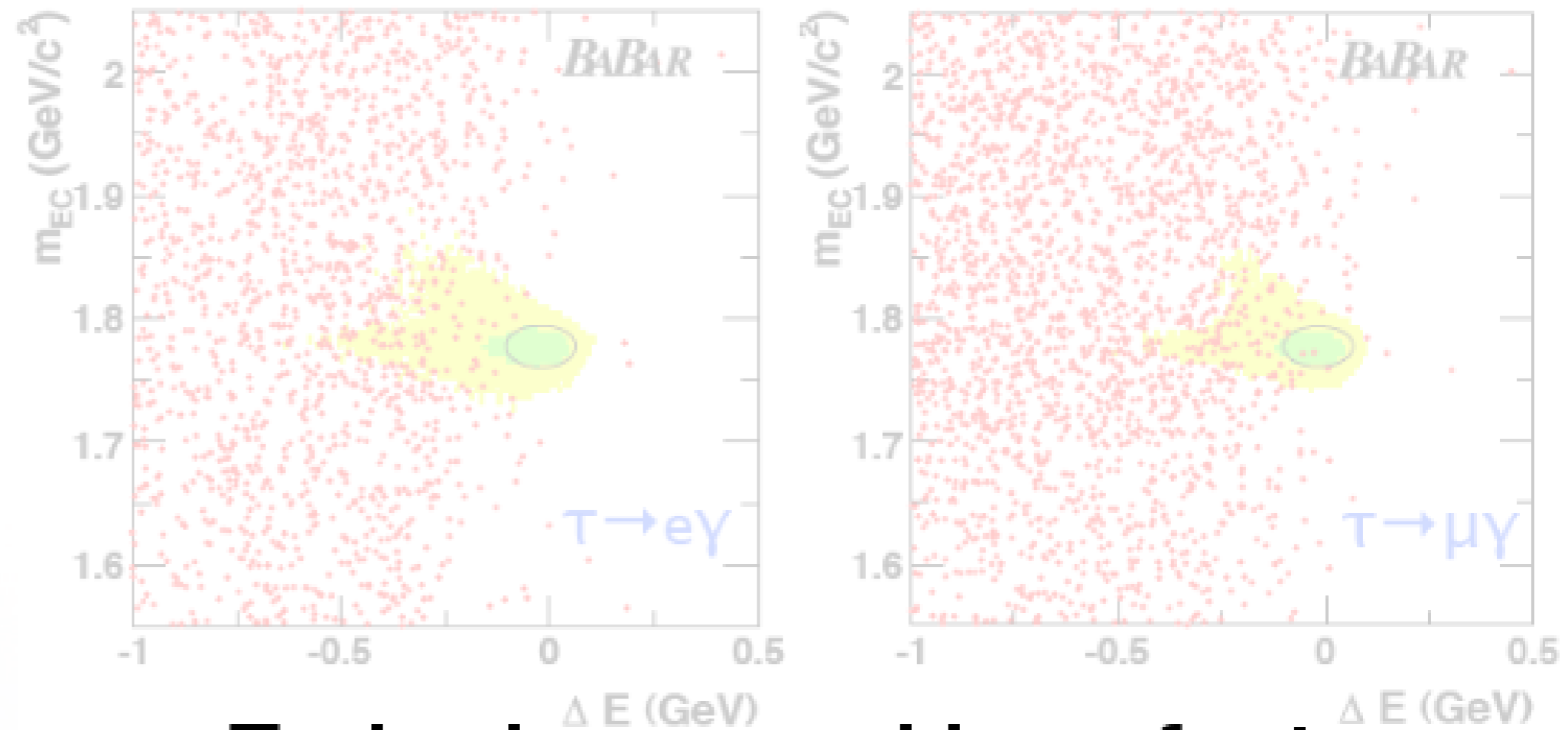
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• To be improved by a factor 10 at next-generation B factories

• For new physics through loop processes, corresponds to muon-decay flavour violation at 1000 times rarer rates

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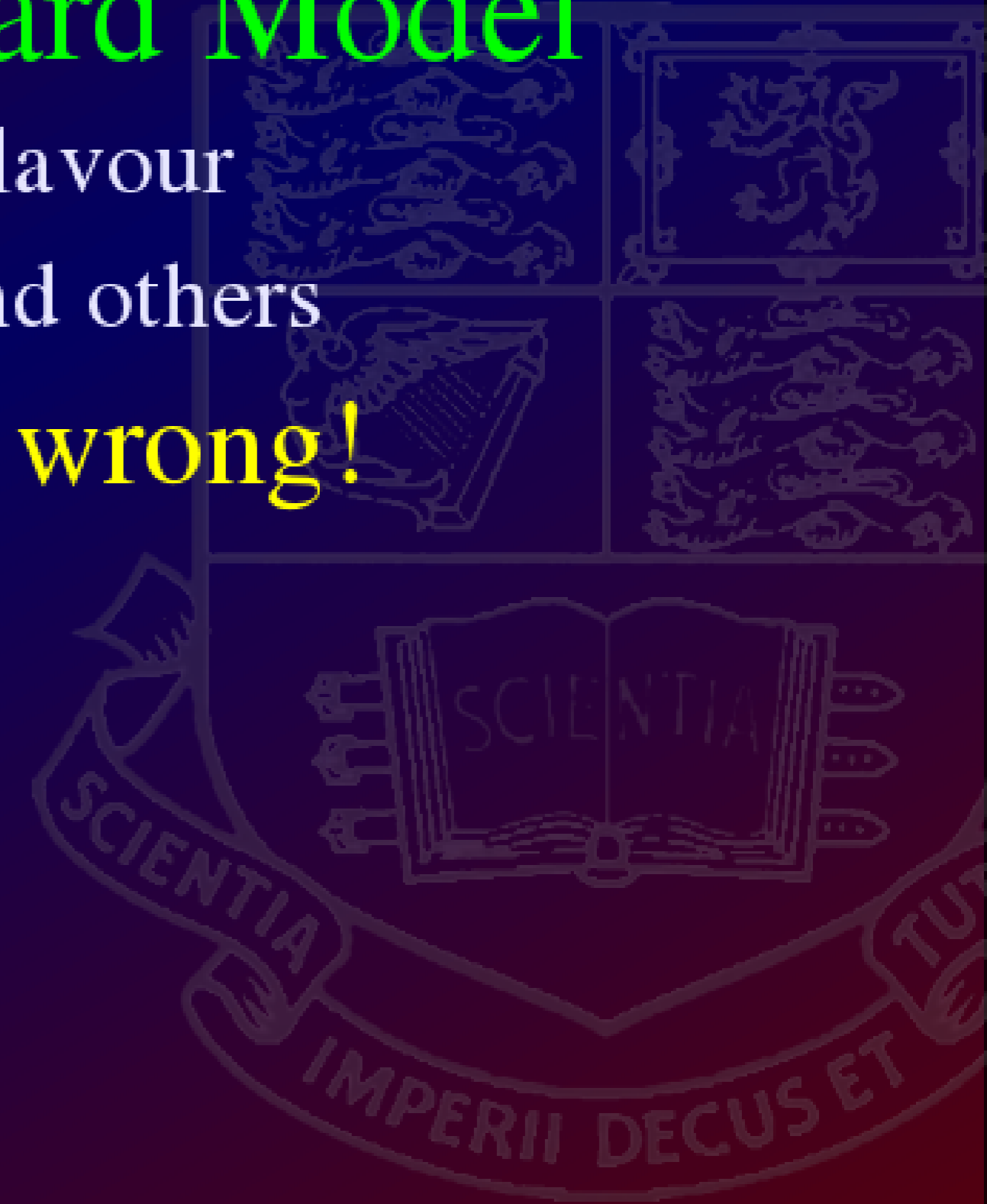
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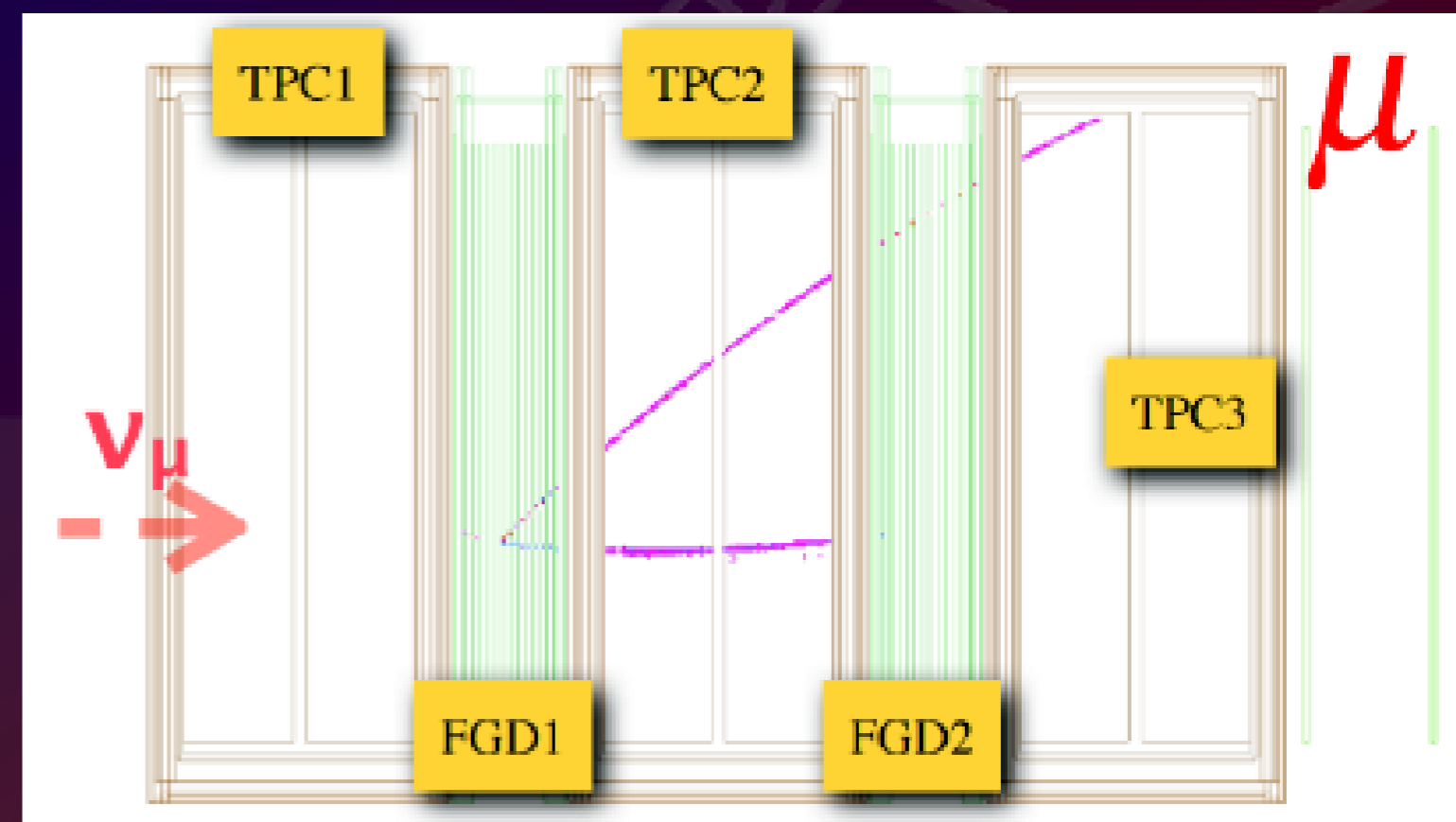
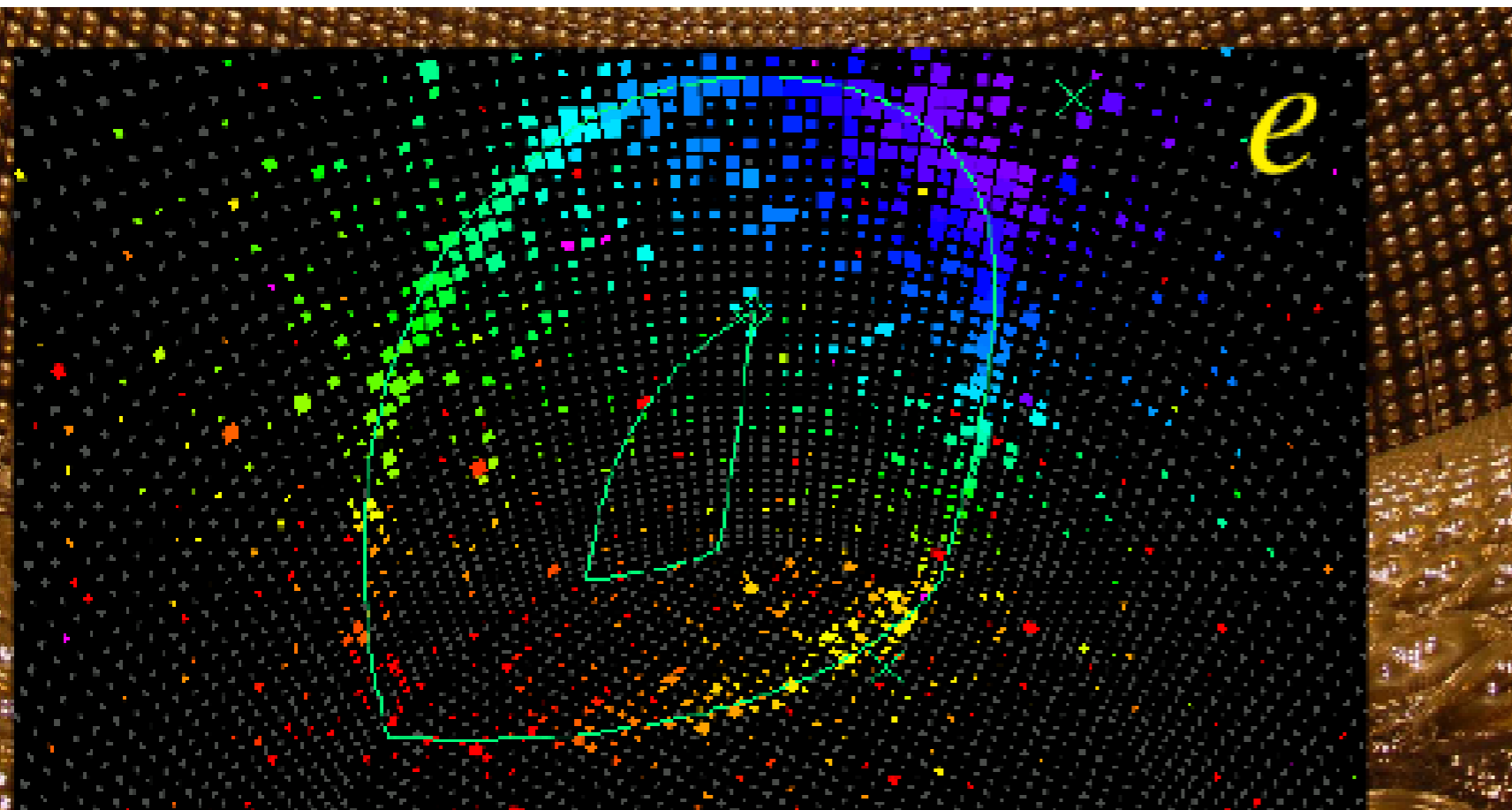
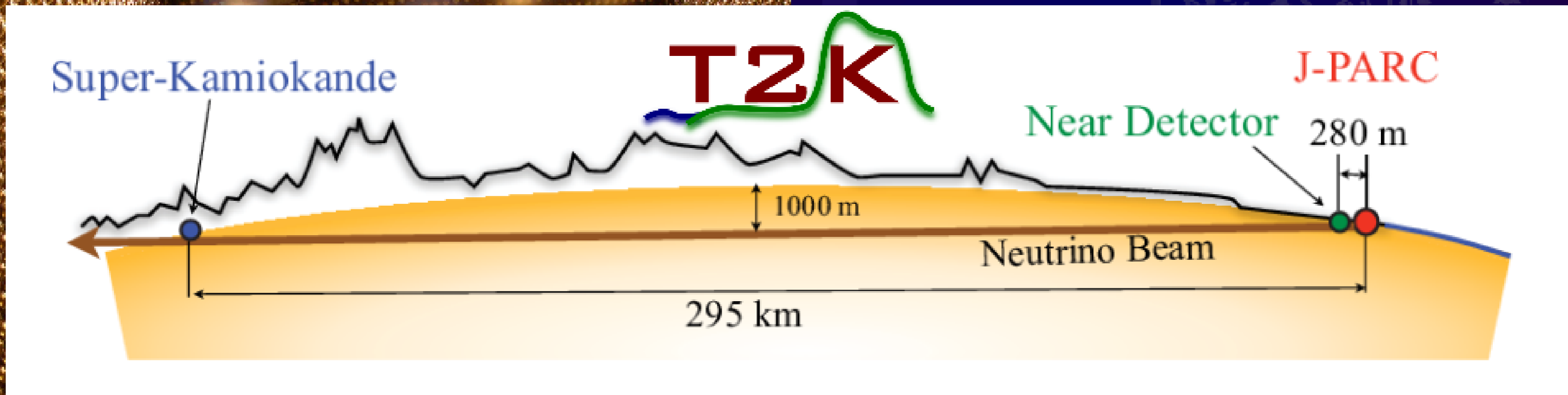
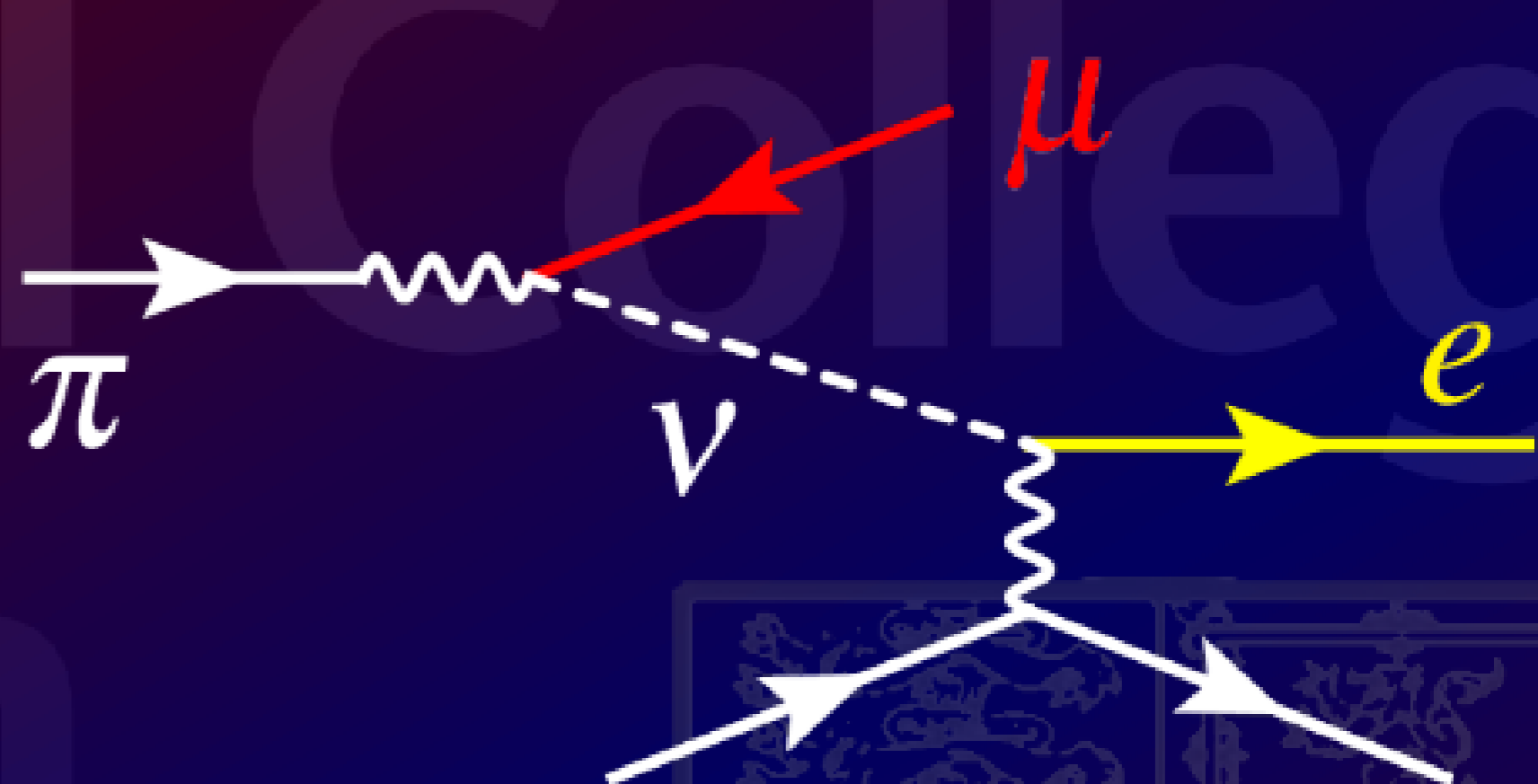
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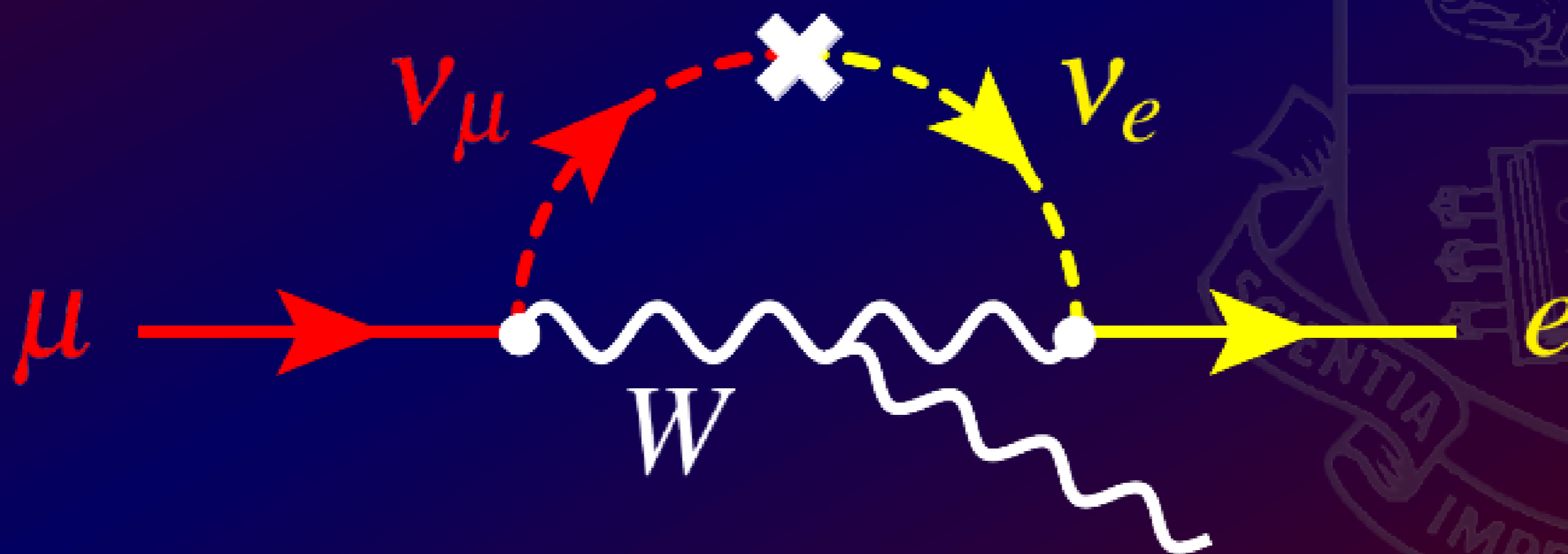
- $c\text{LFV} \equiv 0$  in the Standard Model
  - all interactions conserve lepton flavour
  - following Feinberg, Weinberg and others
- ...but the Standard Model is wrong!





# Predictions for Charged Lepton Flavour Violation

- $c\text{LFV} \equiv 0$  in the Standard Model
- If SM is minimally extended for neutrino masses and oscillations:



- $\text{Br}(\mu \rightarrow e + \gamma) \sim 10^{-50} \Rightarrow$  **unambiguous signal** for new physics if seen

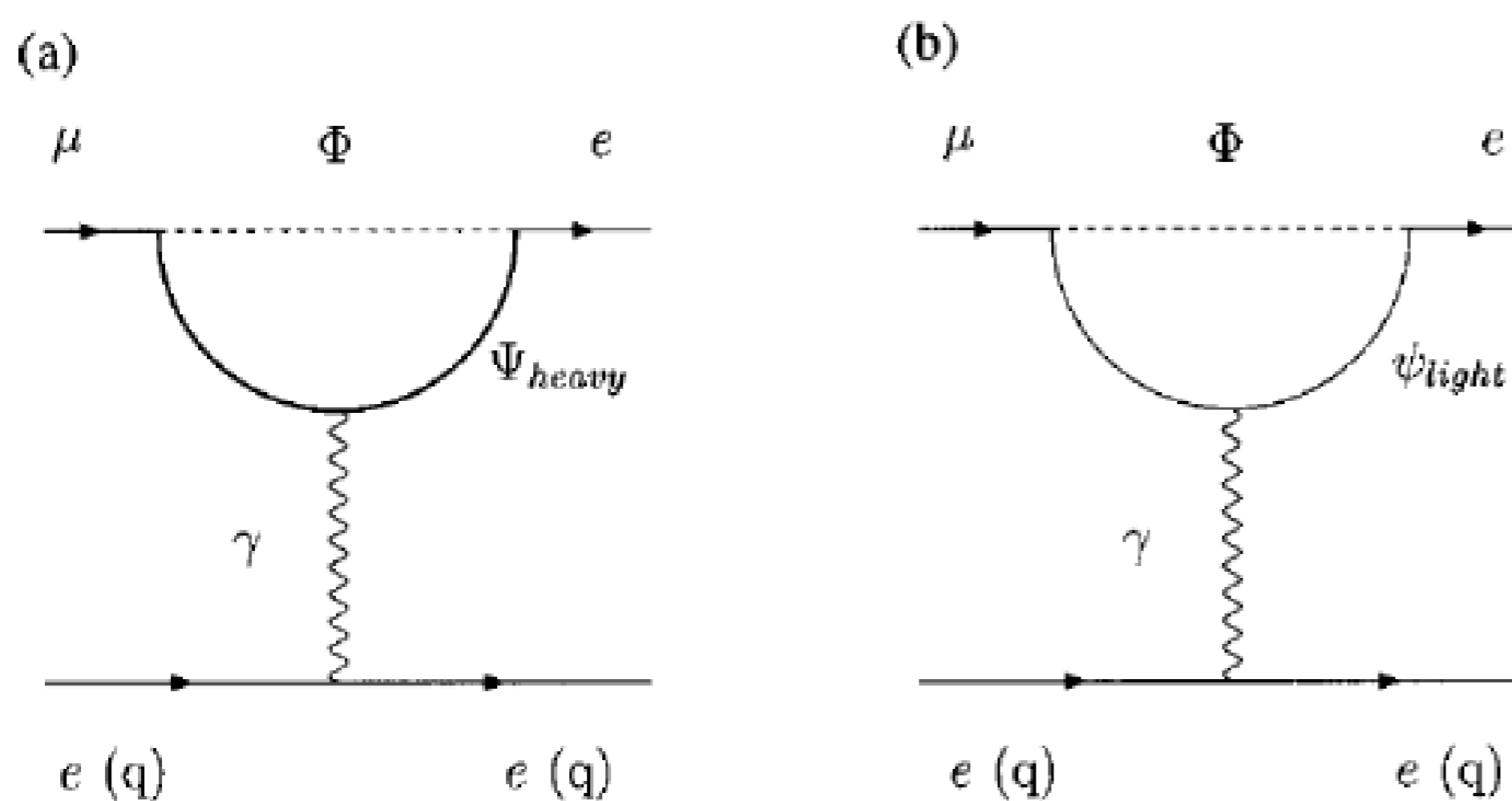


FIG. 4. Photonic penguin diagrams for  $\mu - e$  transitions, such as  $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^-$  or  $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- e^- e^+$  conversion: (a) the case of a heavy particle ( $\Psi_{heavy}$ ) in the loop; (b) the case of a light fermion ( $\psi_{light}$ ) in the loop.  $\Phi$  is a scalar field.

## Lepton Flavour Violation from New Physics

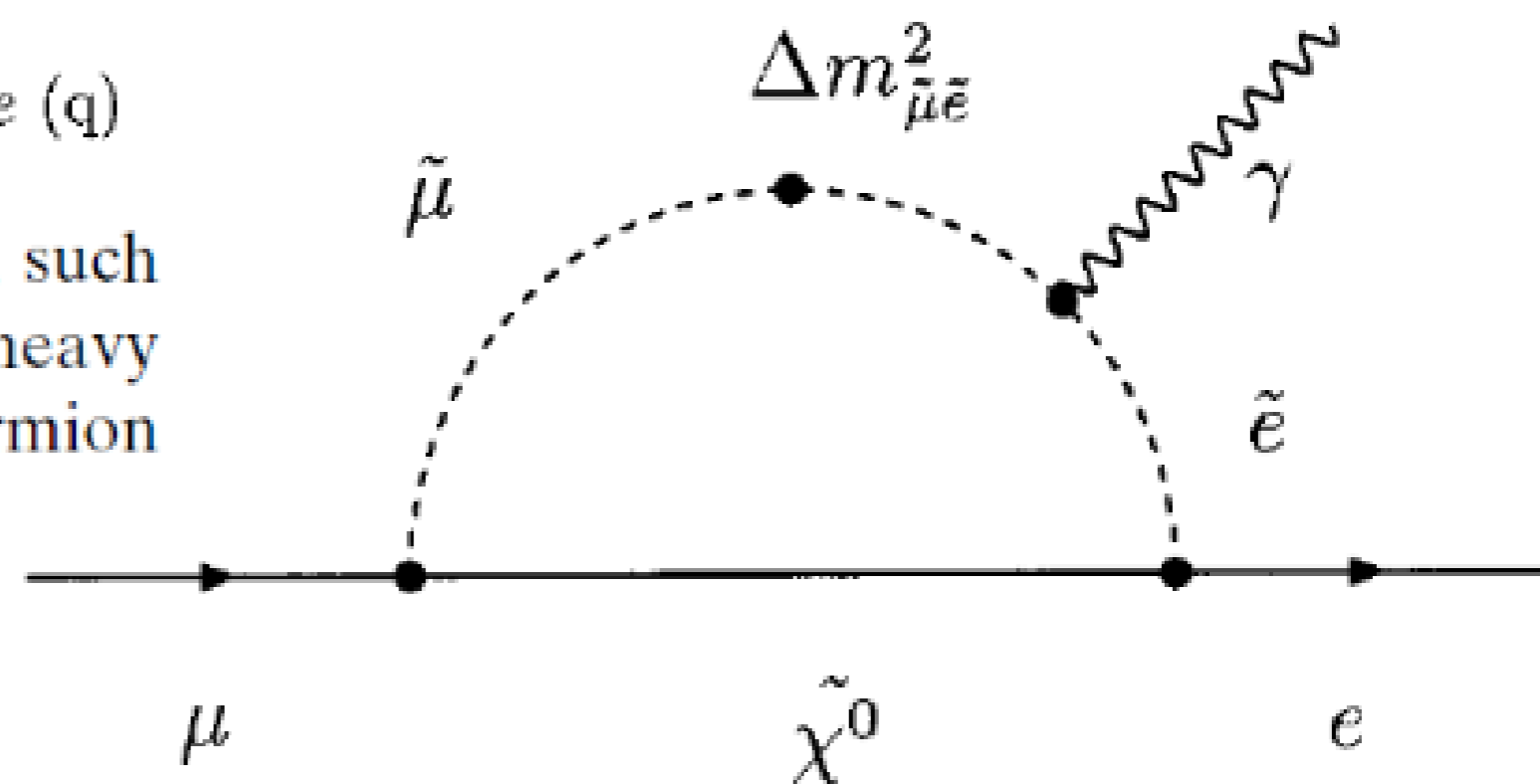


FIG. 5. Feynman diagram for  $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma$  decay induced by slepton flavor mixing ( $\Delta m_{\tilde{\mu}\tilde{e}}^2$ ).

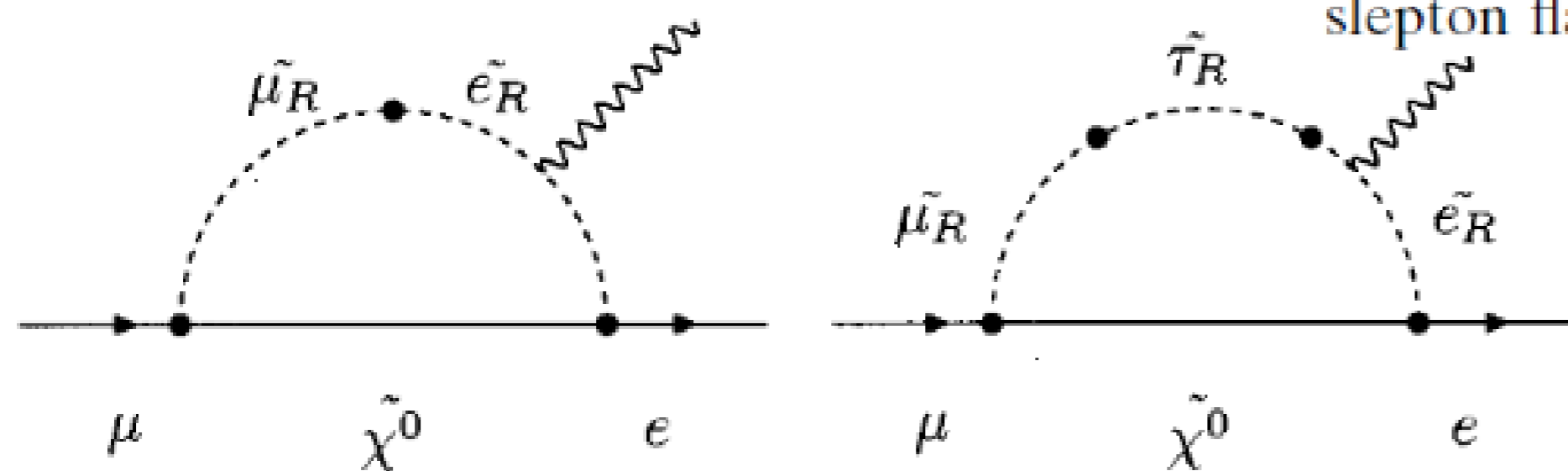


FIG. 7. Feynman diagrams for the  $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma$  decay in  $SU(5)$  SUSY GUT. The closed blobs represent the flavor transitions due to the off-diagonal terms of the slepton mass matrices.

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- Beyond the Standard Model physics predicts detailed cLFV rates
- For example, *if new states exist at the mass scale  $M$ , and cLFV is photon mediated*, effective Lagrangian via loops gives:

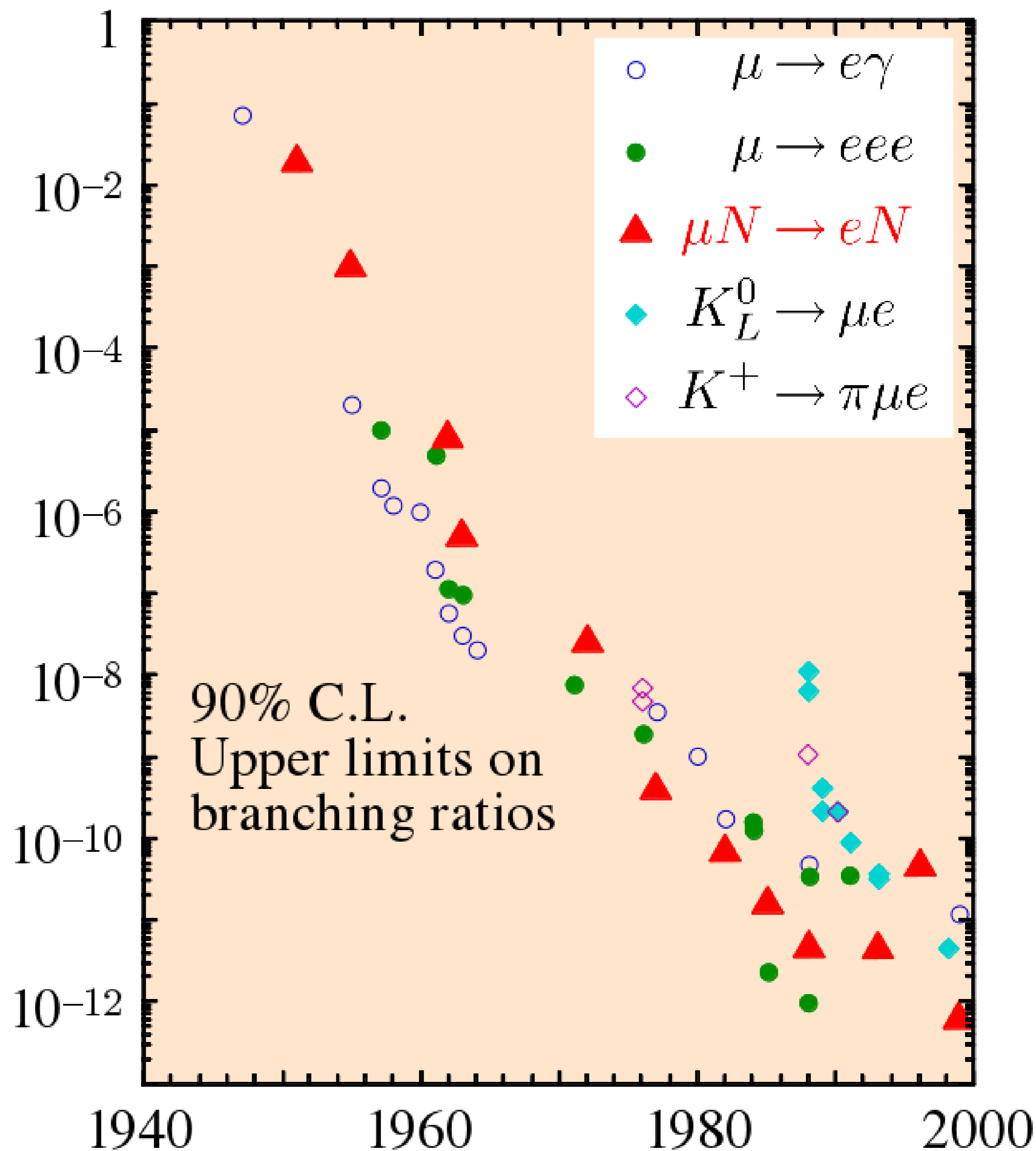
$$\mathcal{L} = e \frac{g^2}{16\pi^2} \frac{m_\ell}{M^2} \bar{\mu} \sigma^{\alpha\beta} e F_{\alpha\beta} \quad \Rightarrow$$

$$B(\mu + N \rightarrow e + N) \quad \sim \quad \left( \frac{280[\text{TeV}]}{M} \right)^4 \times 10^{-18}$$

$$B(\mu \rightarrow e + \gamma) \quad \sim \quad \left( \frac{110[\text{TeV}]}{M} \right)^4 \times 10^{-14}$$

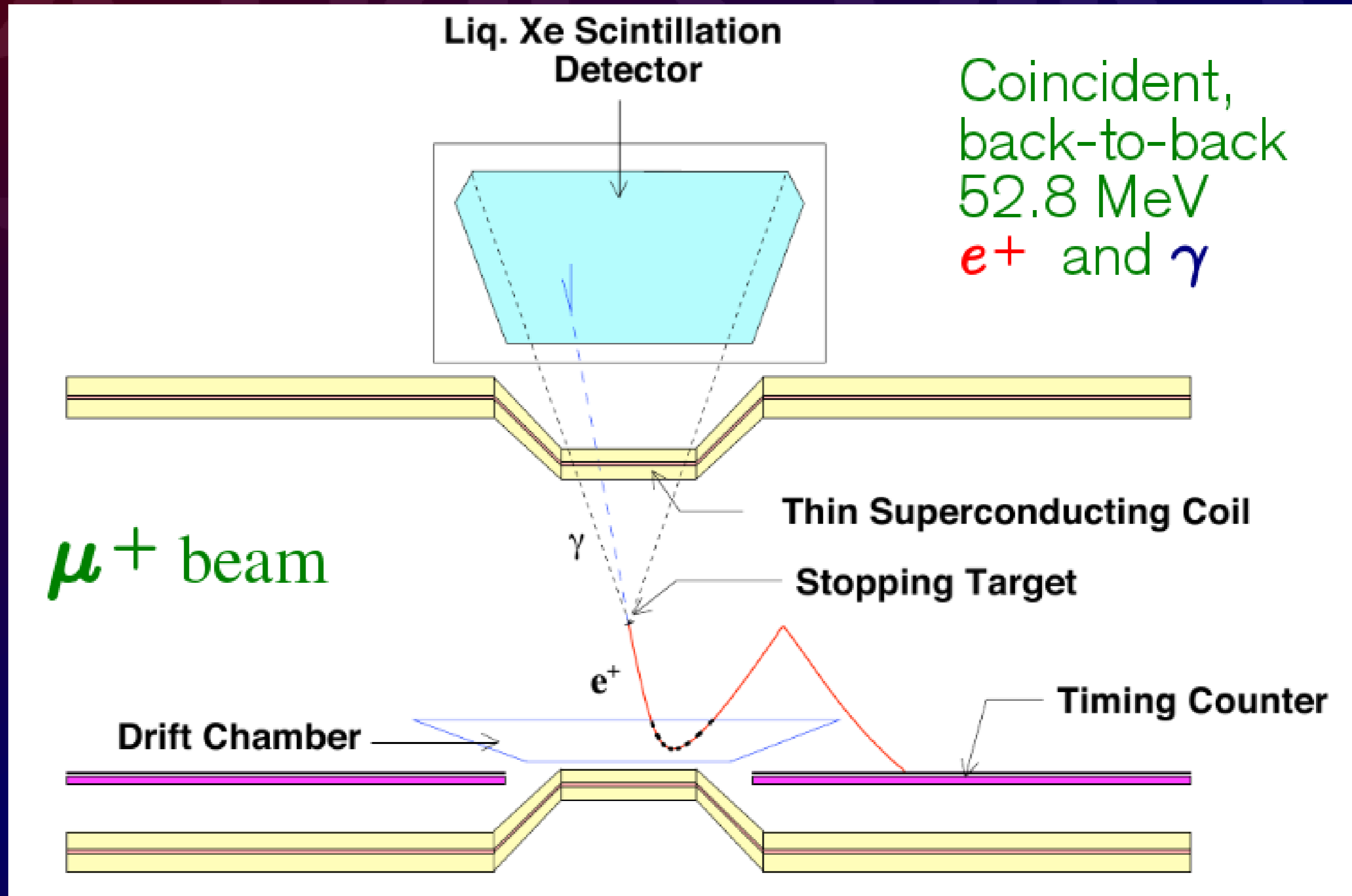
(For this case, O(100) smaller than  $\mu \rightarrow e + \gamma$ . Dependence on **lepton mass**)

# Historical Progress on Charged Lepton Flavour Violation



# MEG ( $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ ) at PSI

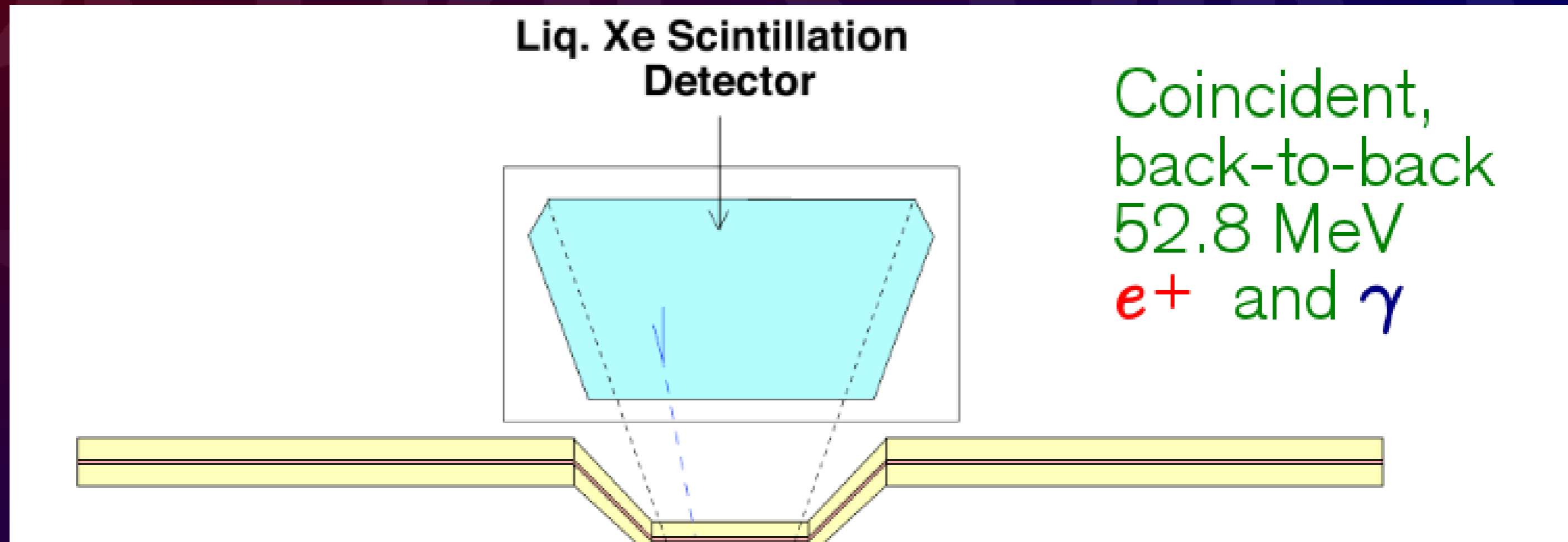
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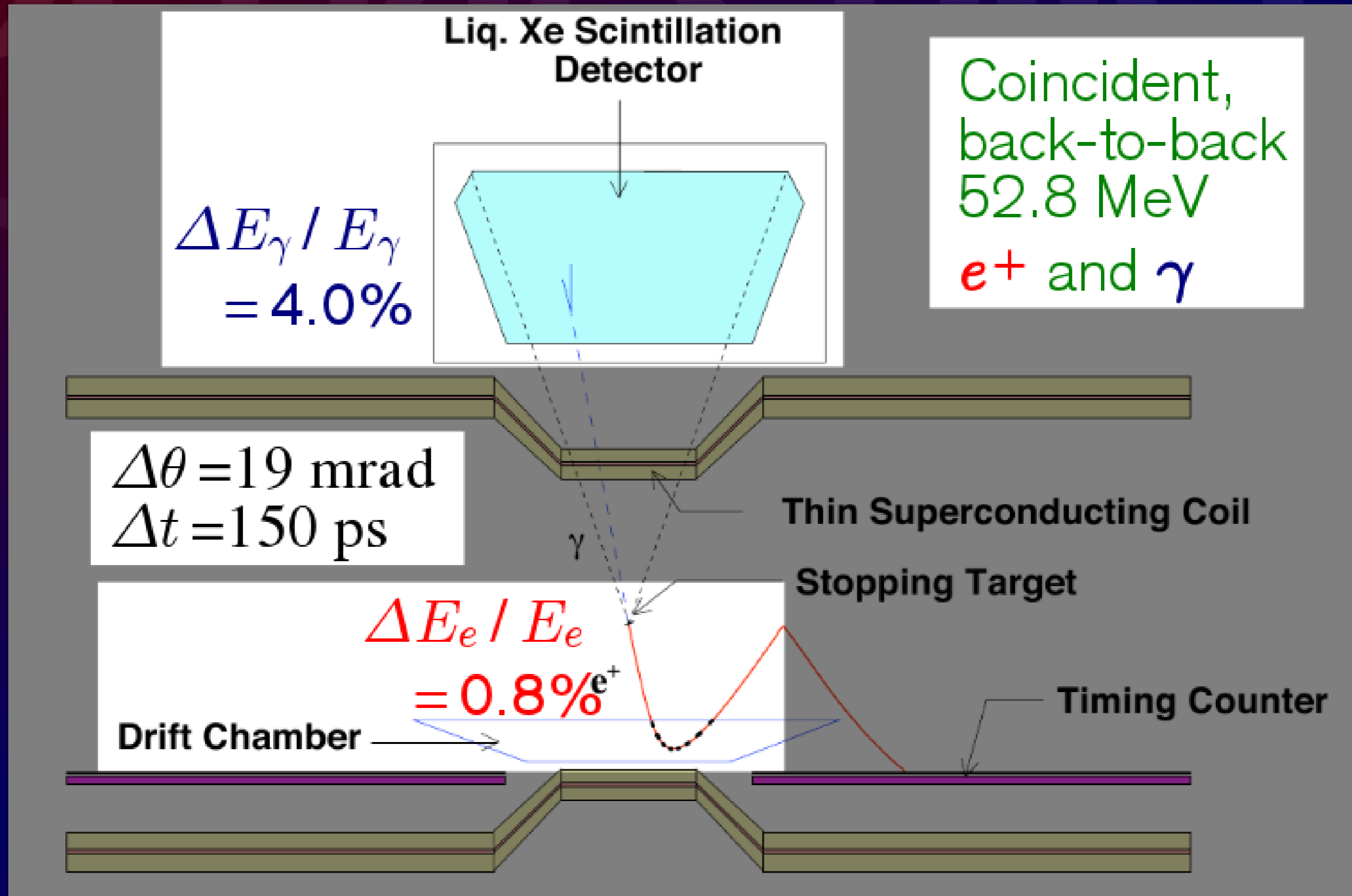
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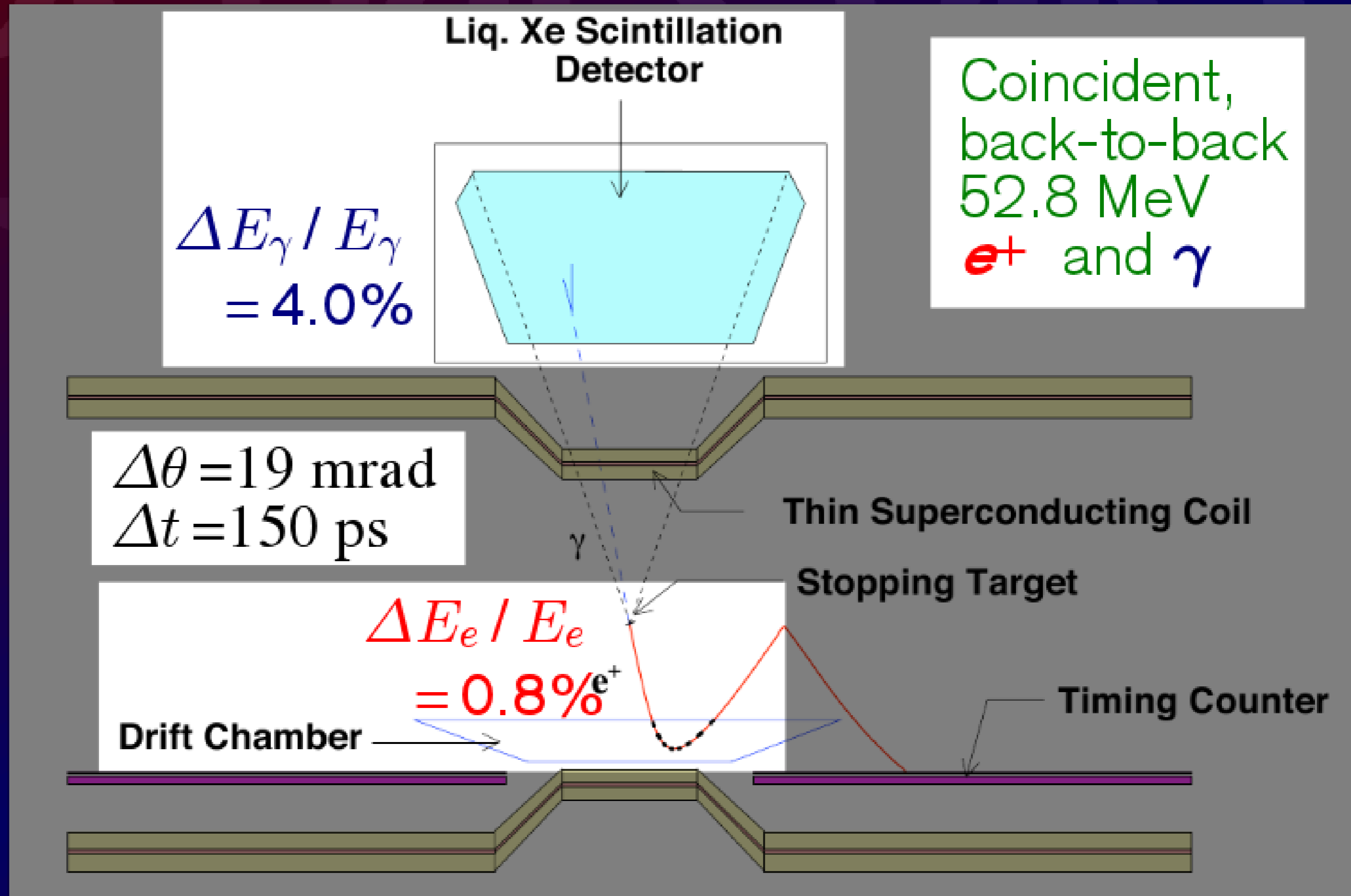
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Latest results shown last summer

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Coincidence requirement makes further improvements in sensitivity with intense beams very difficult

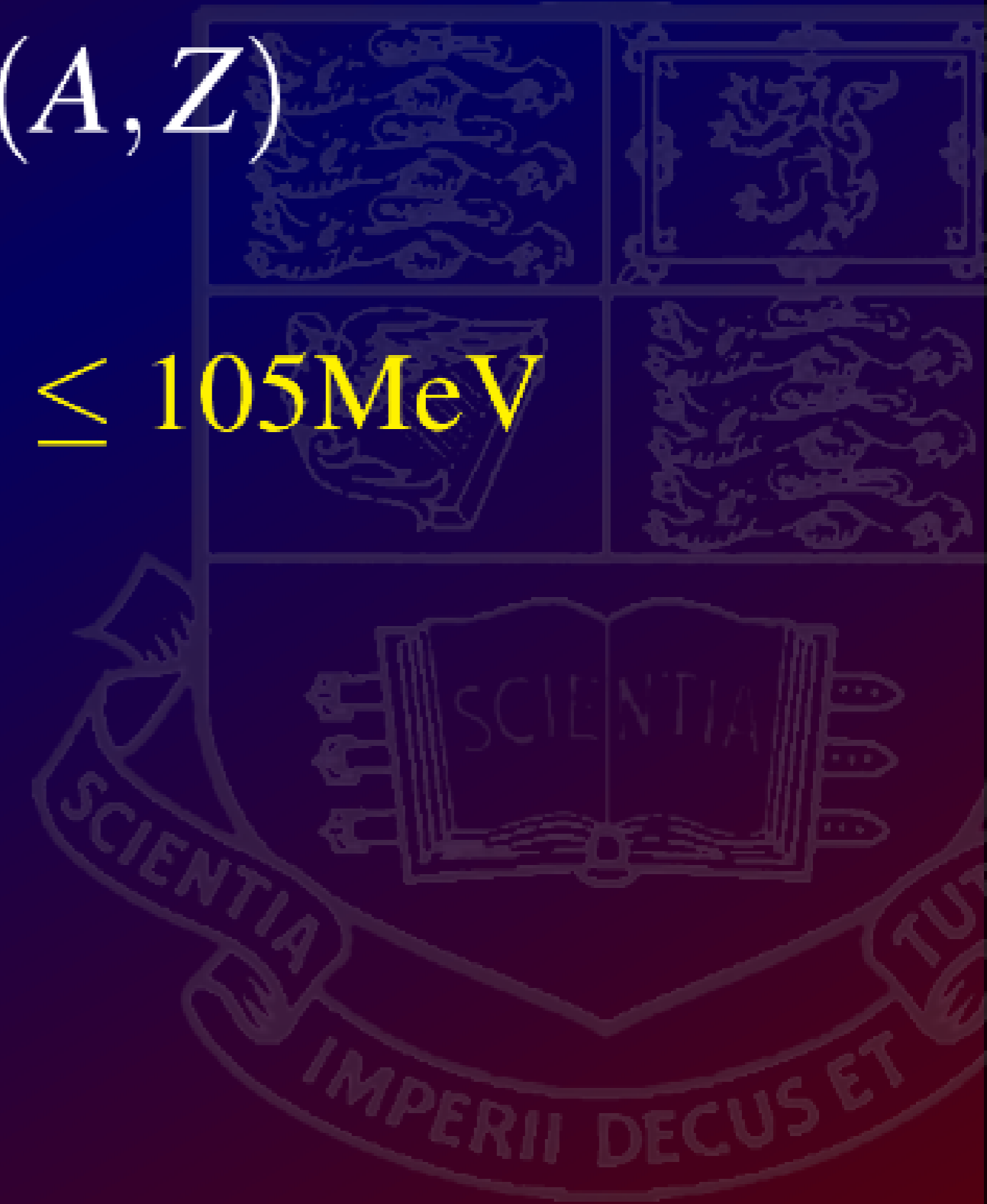
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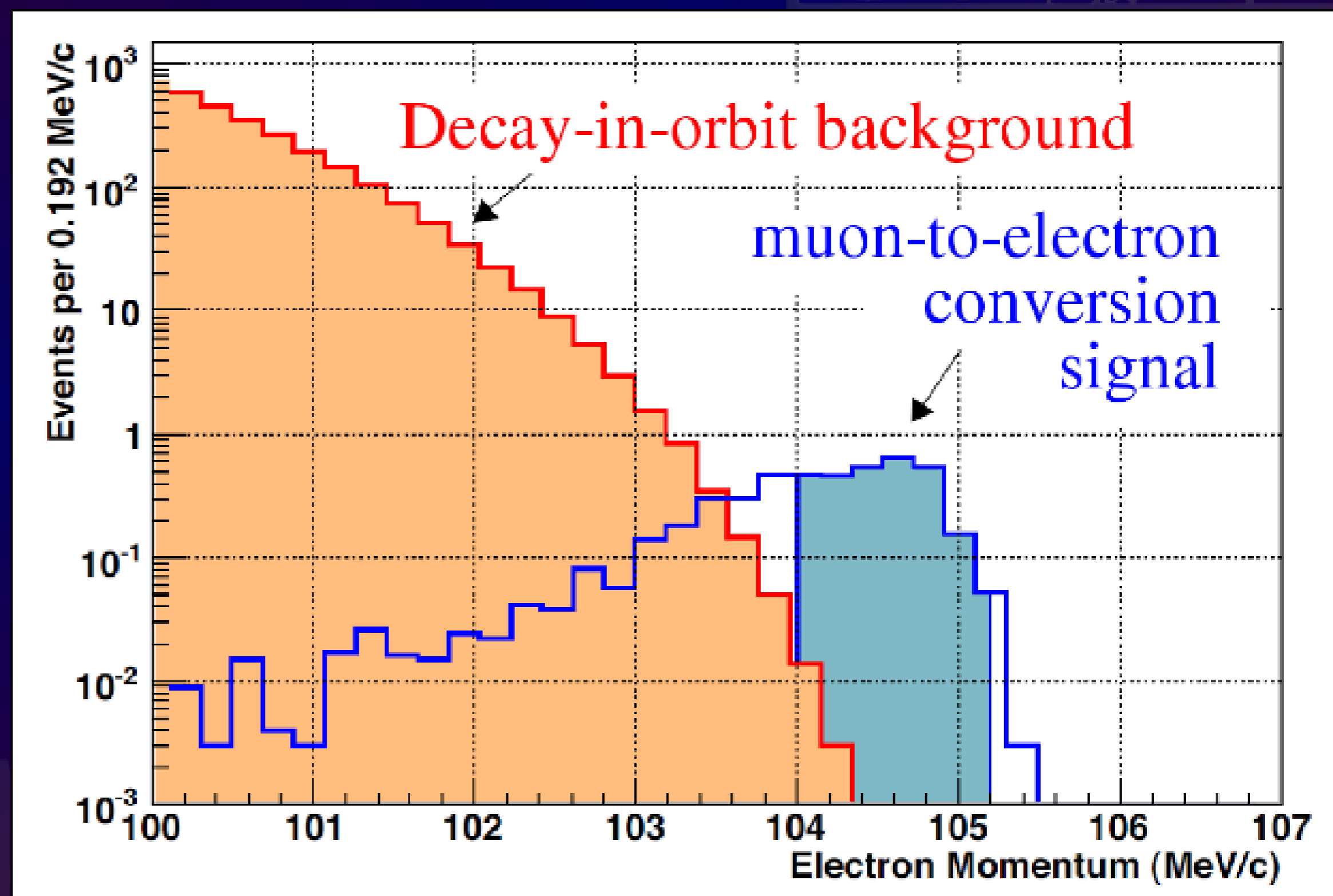
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time available after stopping  $\sim 1 \mu\text{s}$  ( $N$ -dependent)

- Entirely non-existent in the Standard Model
- $\sim 10^{-52}$  when extended to include neutrino mass
- $E_e$  is muon mass less the atomic binding and recoil energies
  - binding energy on Al: 0.5 MeV

# Searching for Muon-to-Electron Conversion

- Produce muons and stop them on a target
- Muonic atoms form and cascade to 1s state and then take a microsecond or so before being captured — so watch over several hundred ns
- Observe the emitted electron spectrum over about 100 MeV/c



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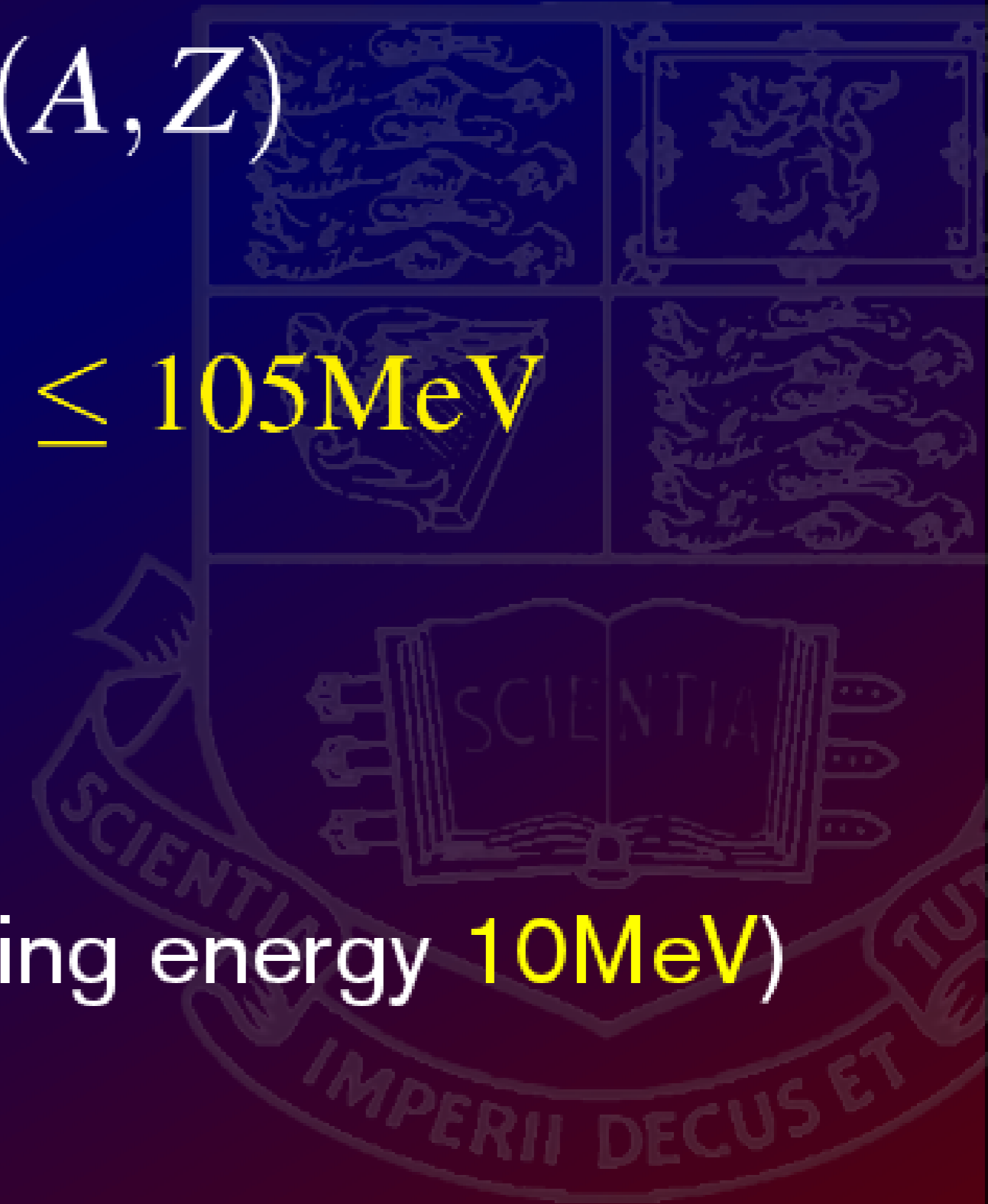
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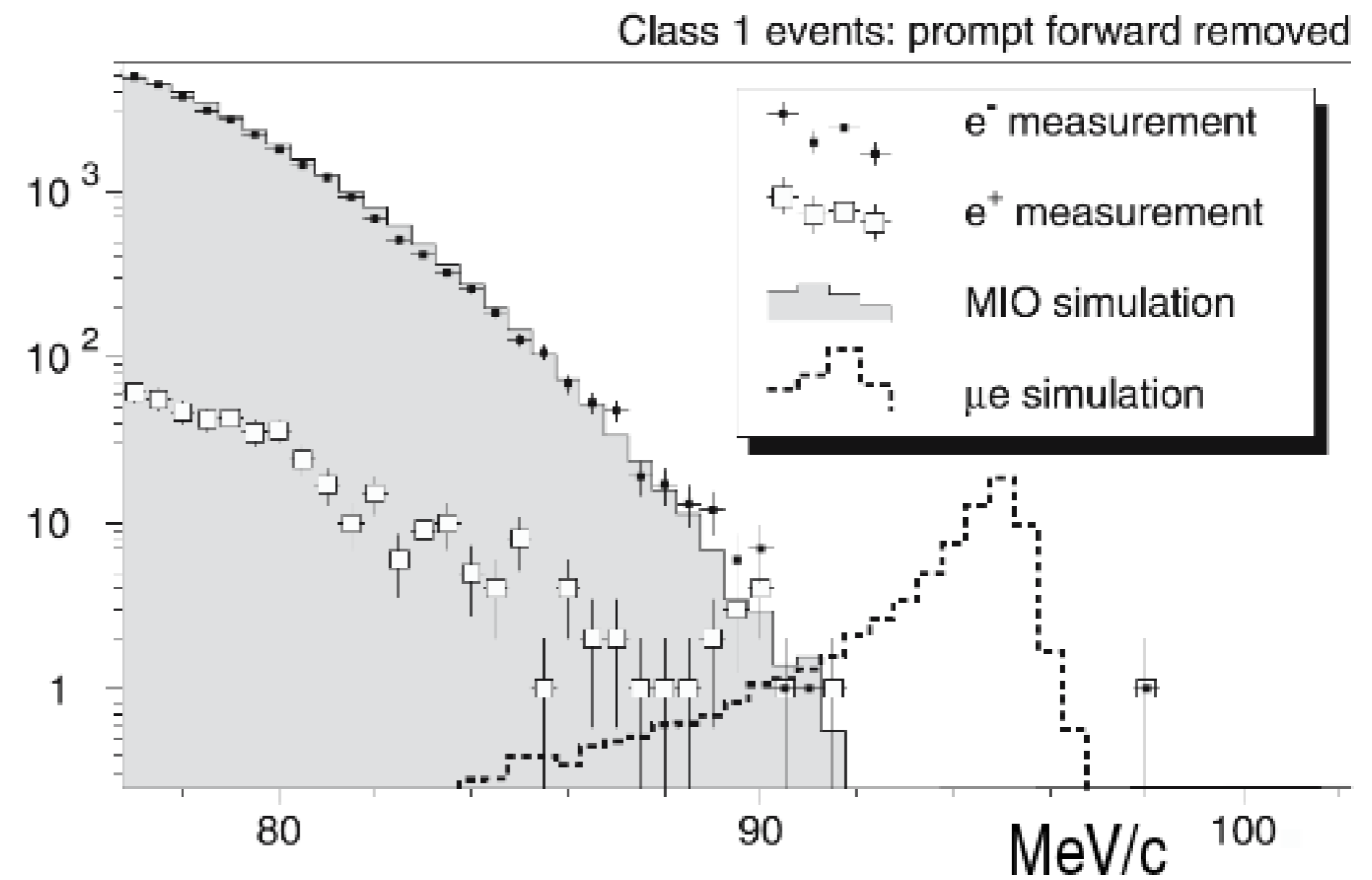
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for the branching ratio on Gold (binding energy **10 MeV**)

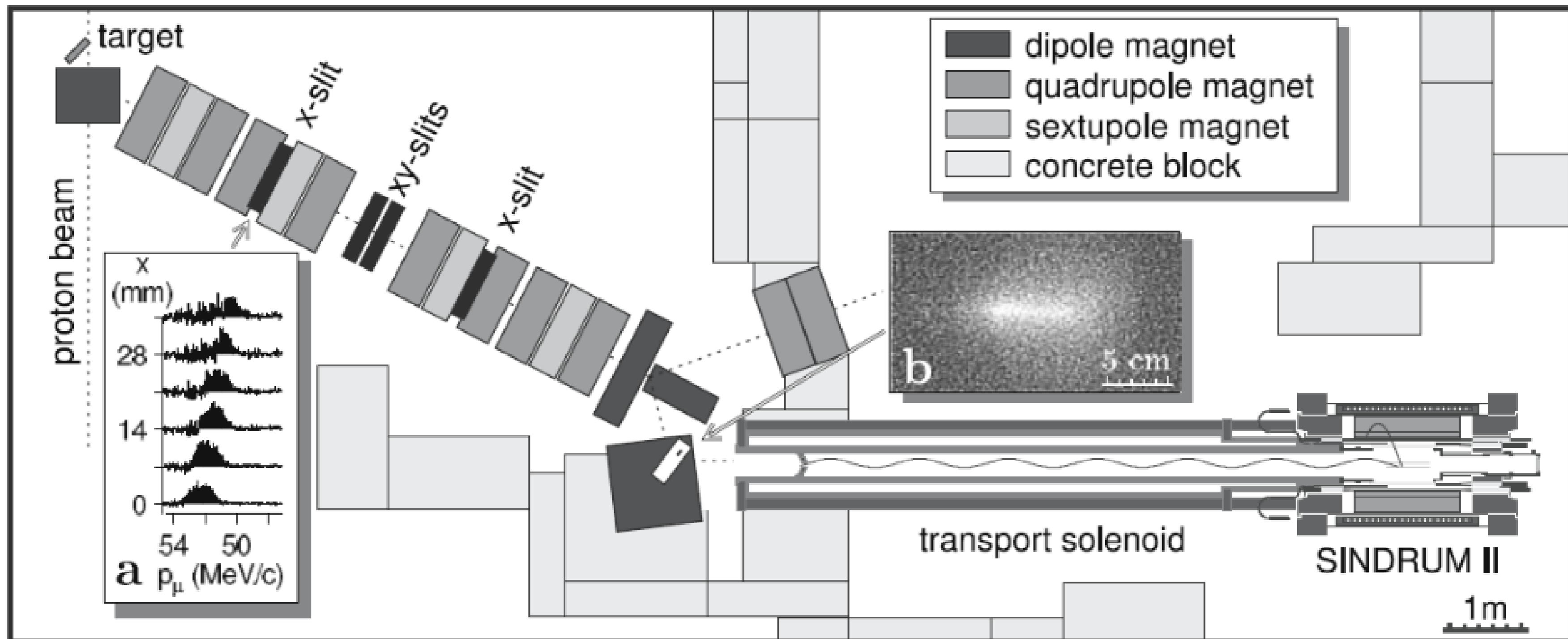


# SINDRUM II at PSI

- $10^7 - 10^8 \mu / \text{sec}$
- Effectively a "one-by-one" measurement
- Total rate limited by beam veto counter



PSI beamline  $\pi E5$



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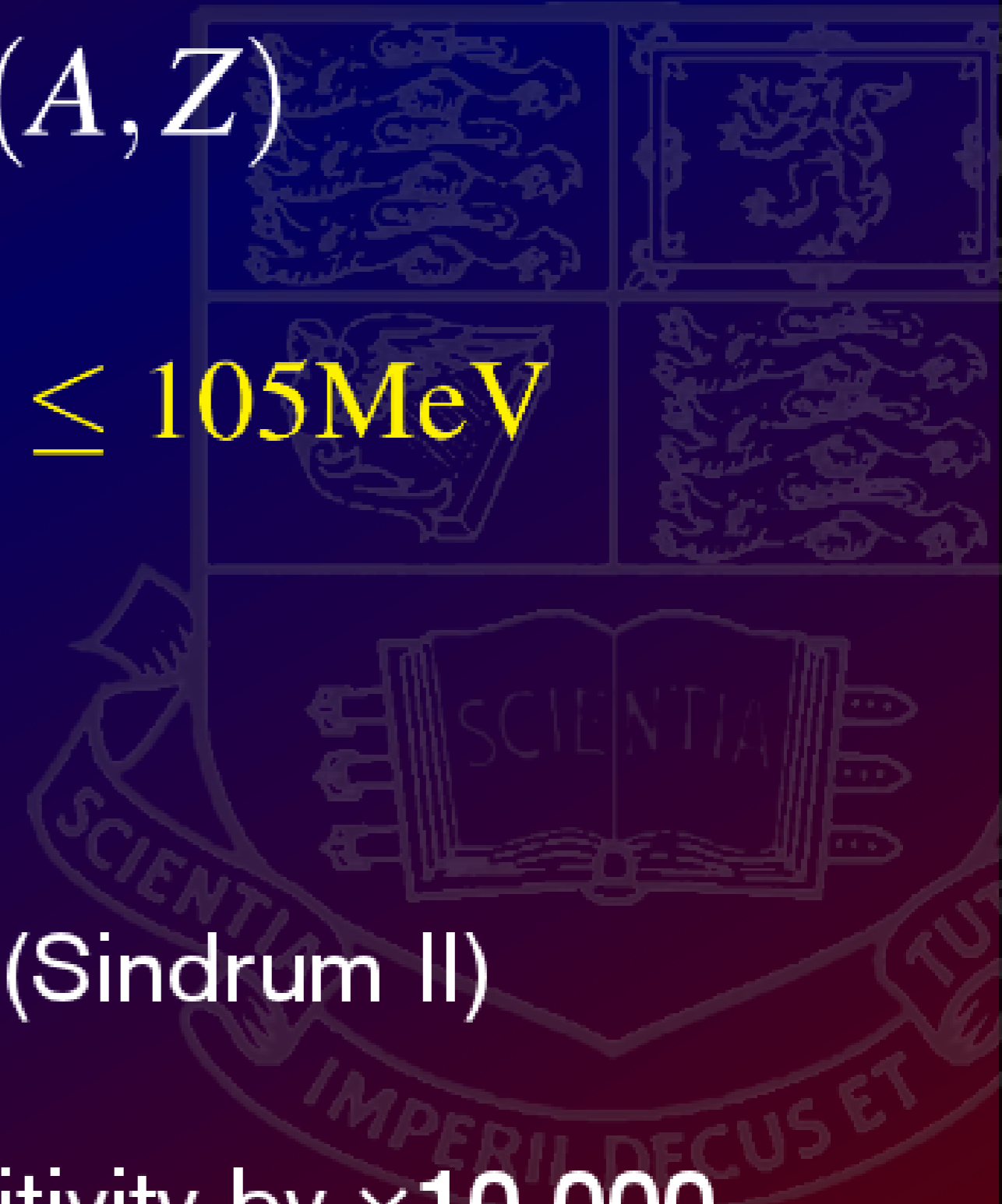
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for the branching ratio on Gold (Sindrum II)

- $\mu 2e$  and **COMET** aim to improve sensitivity by  $\times 10,000$
- **PRISM** extends this to a factor of  $1,000,000$





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## **Lepton flavor violation from supersymmetric grand unified theories: Where do we stand for MEG, PRISM/PRIME, and a super flavor factory**

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We analyze the complementarity between lepton flavor violation (LFV) and LHC experiments in probing the supersymmetric (SUSY) grand unified theories (GUT) when neutrinos get a mass via the seesaw mechanism. Our analysis is performed in an SO(10) framework, where at least one neutrino Yukawa coupling is necessarily as large as the top Yukawa coupling. Our study thoroughly takes into account the whole renormalization group running, including the GUT and the right-handed neutrino mass scales, as well as the running of the observable neutrino spectrum. We find that the upcoming (MEG, SuperKEKB) and future (PRISM/PRIME, super flavor factory) LFV experiments will be able to test such SUSY framework for SUSY masses to be explored at the LHC and, in some cases, even beyond the LHC sensitivity reach.

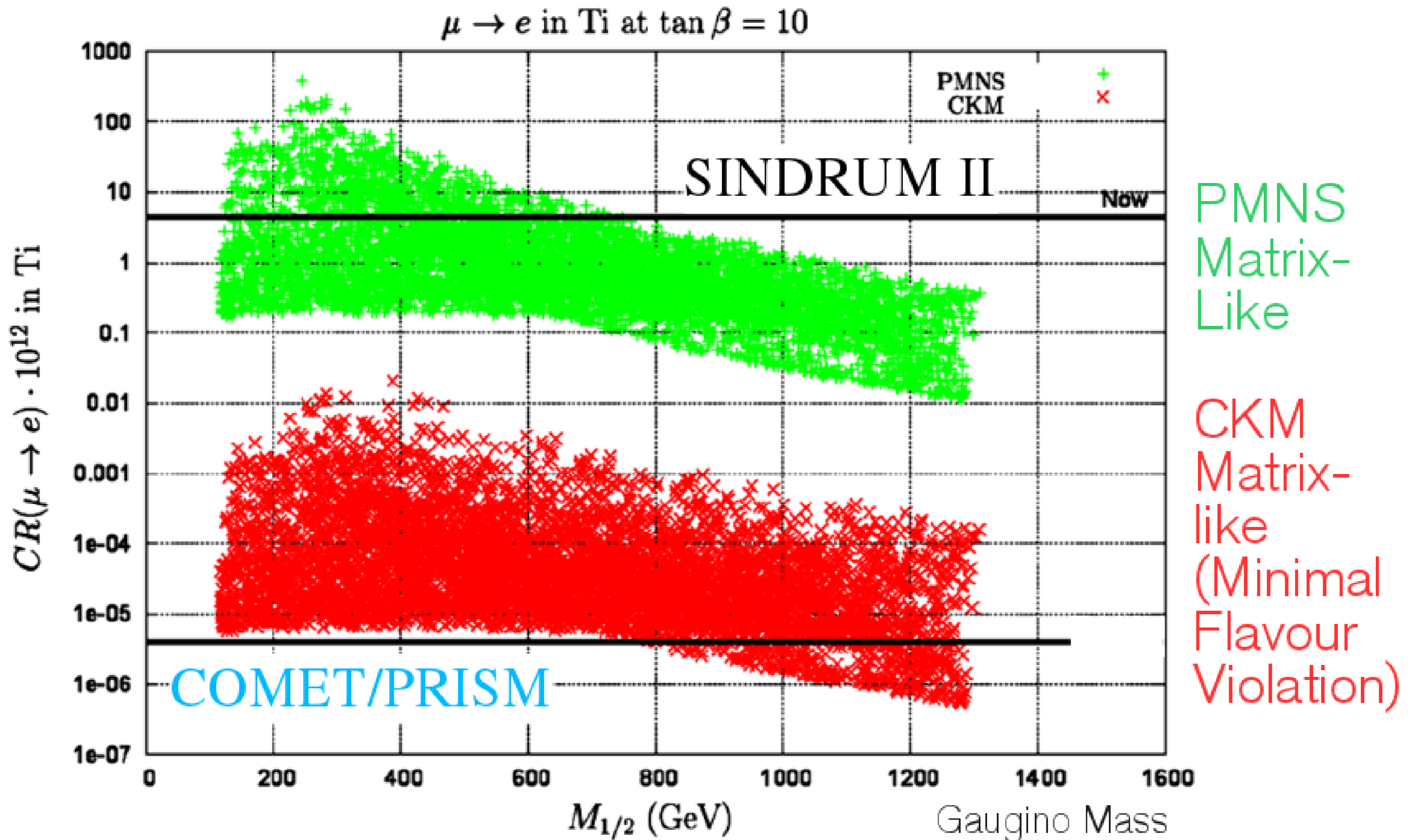
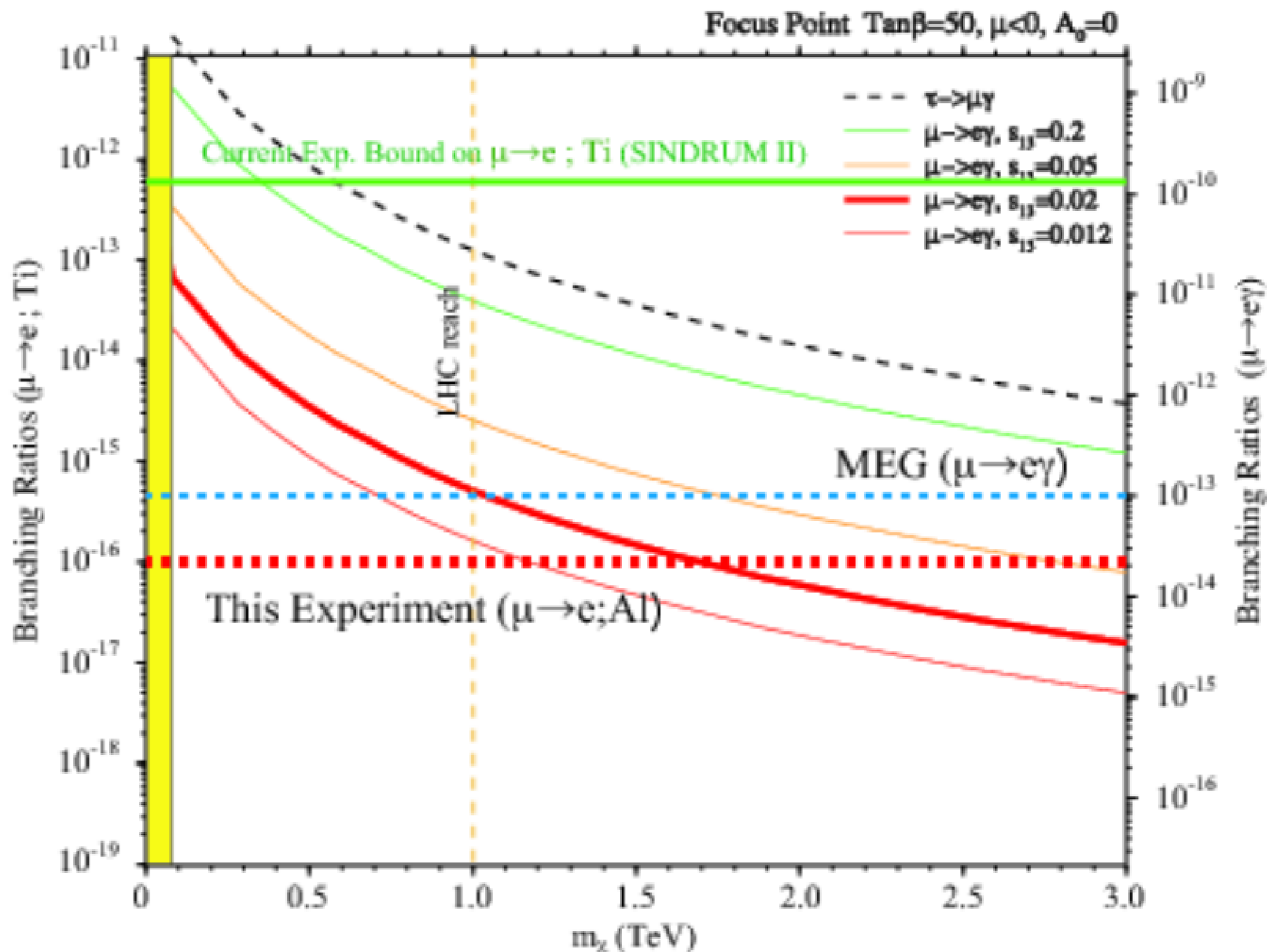


FIG. 12  $\mu \rightarrow e$  in Ti as a probe of SUSY-GUT scenarios. The plots are obtained by scanning the LHC accessible parameter space. The horizontal lines are the present (SINDRUM II) bound and the planned (PRISM/PRIME) sensitivity to the process. We see that PRIME would be able to severely constrain the low  $\tan \beta$ , low mixing angles case and to completely test the other scenarios.

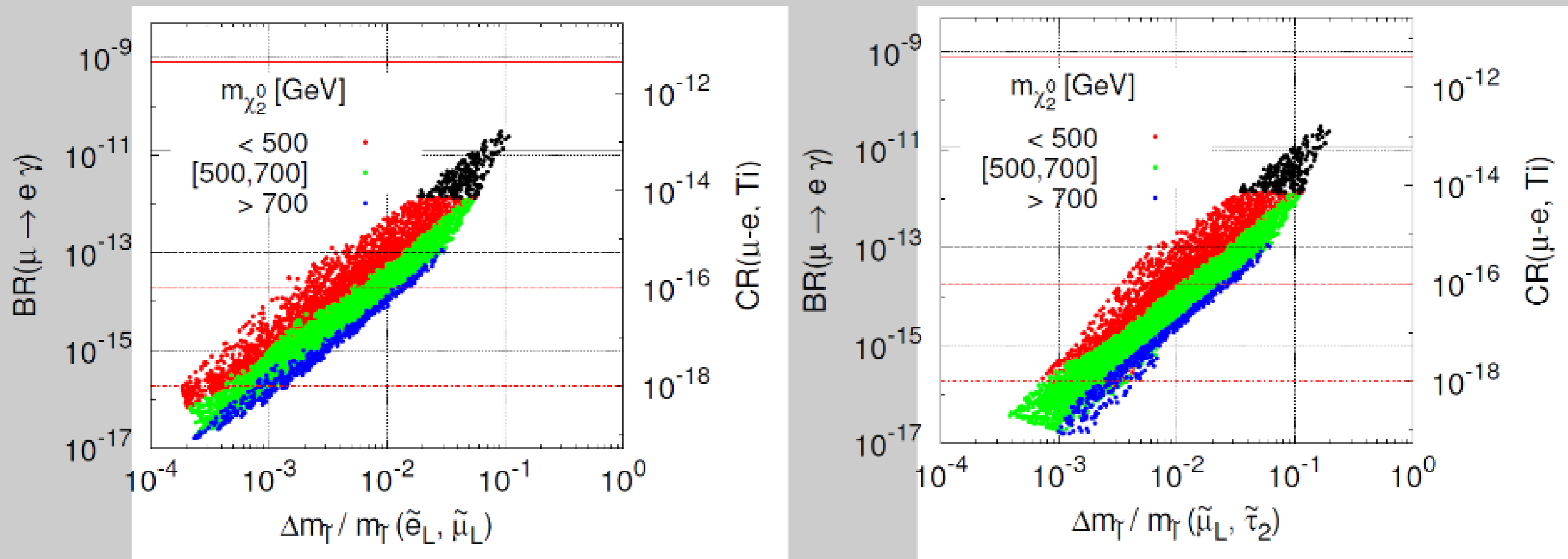
Prediction of the muon-to-electron conversion branching ratio in the SUSY-seesaw models as a function of SUSY neutralino mass scale (Masiero, Profumo, Vempoti, and Yaguna JHEP 0403:046)



# Interplay of LFV and slepton mass splittings at the LHC as a probe of the SUSY seesaw

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We study the impact of a type-I SUSY seesaw concerning lepton flavour violation (LFV) both at low-energies and at the LHC. The study of the di-lepton invariant mass distribution at the LHC allows to reconstruct some of the masses of the different sparticles involved in a decay chain. In particular, the combination with other observables renders feasible the reconstruction of the masses of the intermediate sleptons involved in  $\chi_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\ell} \ell \rightarrow \ell \ell \chi_1^0$  decays. Slepton mass splittings can be either interpreted as a signal of non-universality in the SUSY soft breaking-terms (signalling a deviation from constrained scenarios as the cMSSM) or as being due to the violation of lepton flavour. In the latter case, in addition to these high-energy processes, one expects further low-energy manifestations of LFV such as radiative and three-body lepton decays. Under the assumption of a type-I seesaw as the source of neutrino masses and mixings, all these LFV observables are related. Working in the framework of the cMSSM extended by three right-handed neutrino superfields, we conduct a systematic analysis addressing the simultaneous implications of the SUSY seesaw for both high- and low-energy lepton flavour violation. We discuss how the confrontation of slepton mass splittings as observed at the LHC and low-energy LFV observables may provide important information about the underlying mechanism of LFV.



One of the most interesting results consists in the fact that almost the entire region in parameter space associated with a  $\tilde{e}_L - \tilde{\mu}_L$  mass splitting  $\sim \mathcal{O}(1\%)$  is also within the future sensitivity of low-energy facilities, especially for  $\text{CR}(\mu - e, \text{Ti})$  (even without the expected upgrade to  $\mathcal{O}(10^{-18})$  for PRISM/PRIME)<sup>5</sup>. Also, any  $\tilde{e}_L - \tilde{\mu}_L$  mass splitting above 4% would also be associated with a  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$  signal within MEG sensitivity. A similar situation (albeit not so striking) is observed for  $\tilde{\mu}_L - \tilde{\tau}_2$  mass differences: as an example, mass splittings above 3%, 4% and 6% would be associated to low-energy signals of LFV within PRISM/PRIME, SuperB, and MEG reach, respectively.

**Probing the Randall-Sundrum geometric origin of flavor with lepton flavor violation**Kaustubh Agashe,<sup>1</sup> Andrew E. Blechman,<sup>2</sup> and Frank Petriello<sup>3</sup><sup>1</sup>*Department of Physics, Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York 13244, USA  
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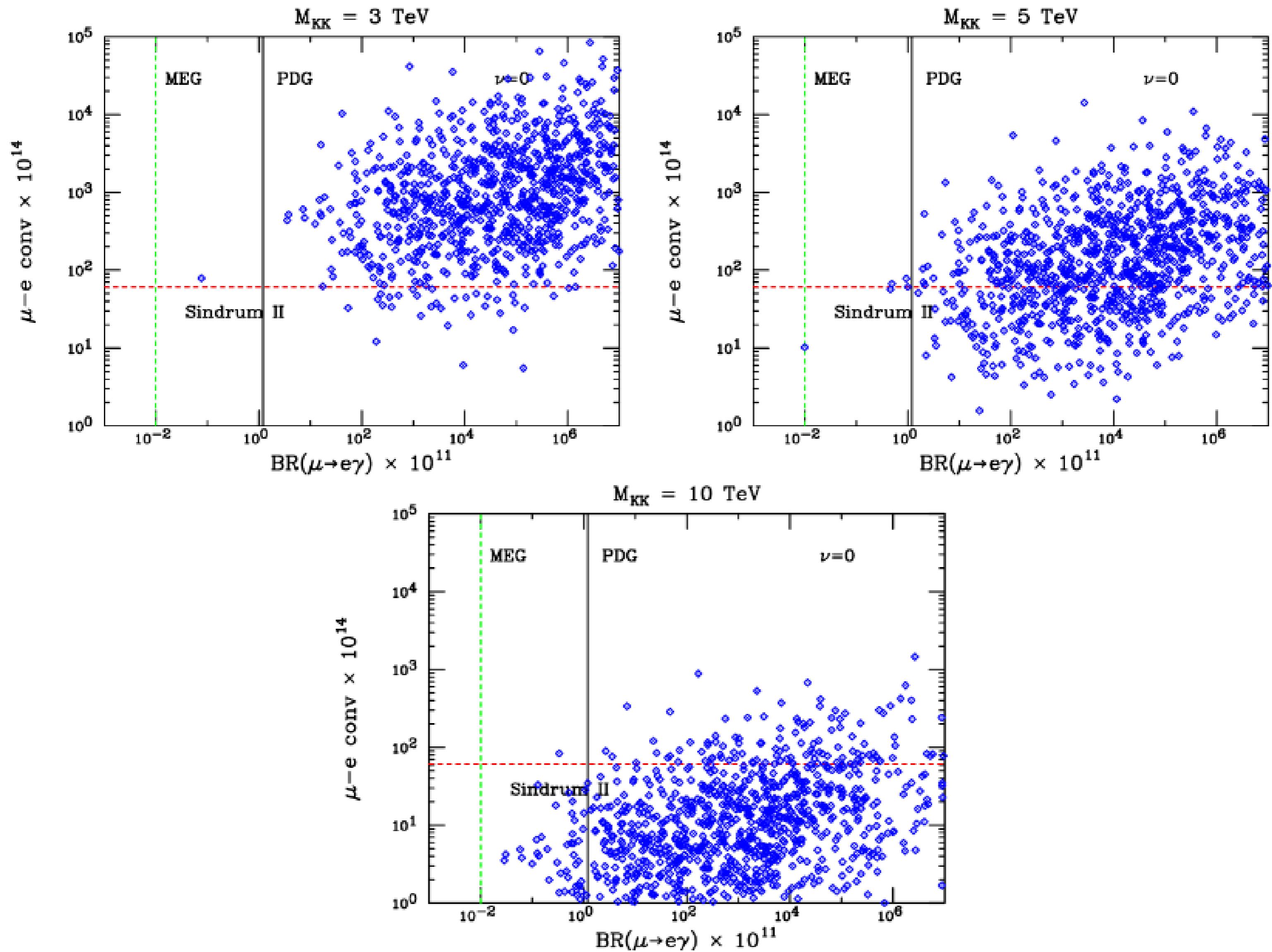
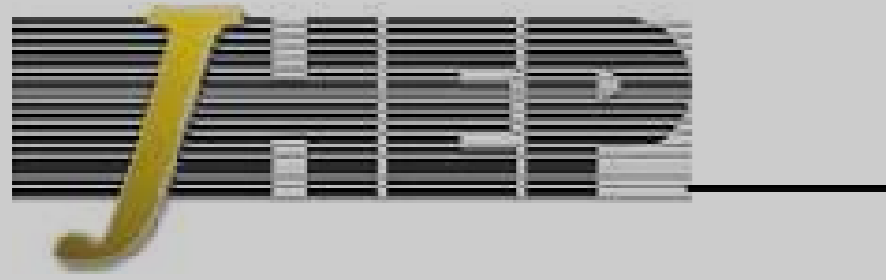


FIG. 6 Scan of the  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$  and  $\mu - e$  conversion predictions for  $M_{KK} = 3, 5, 10 \text{ TeV}$  and  $\nu = 0$ . The solid line denotes the PDG bound on  $BR(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma)$ , while the dashed lines indicate the SINDRUM II limit on  $\mu - e$  conversion and the projected MEG sensitivity to  $BR(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma)$ .



# Charged lepton flavour violation and $(g - 2)_\mu$ in the Littlest Higgs model with T-Parity: a clear distinction from Supersymmetry

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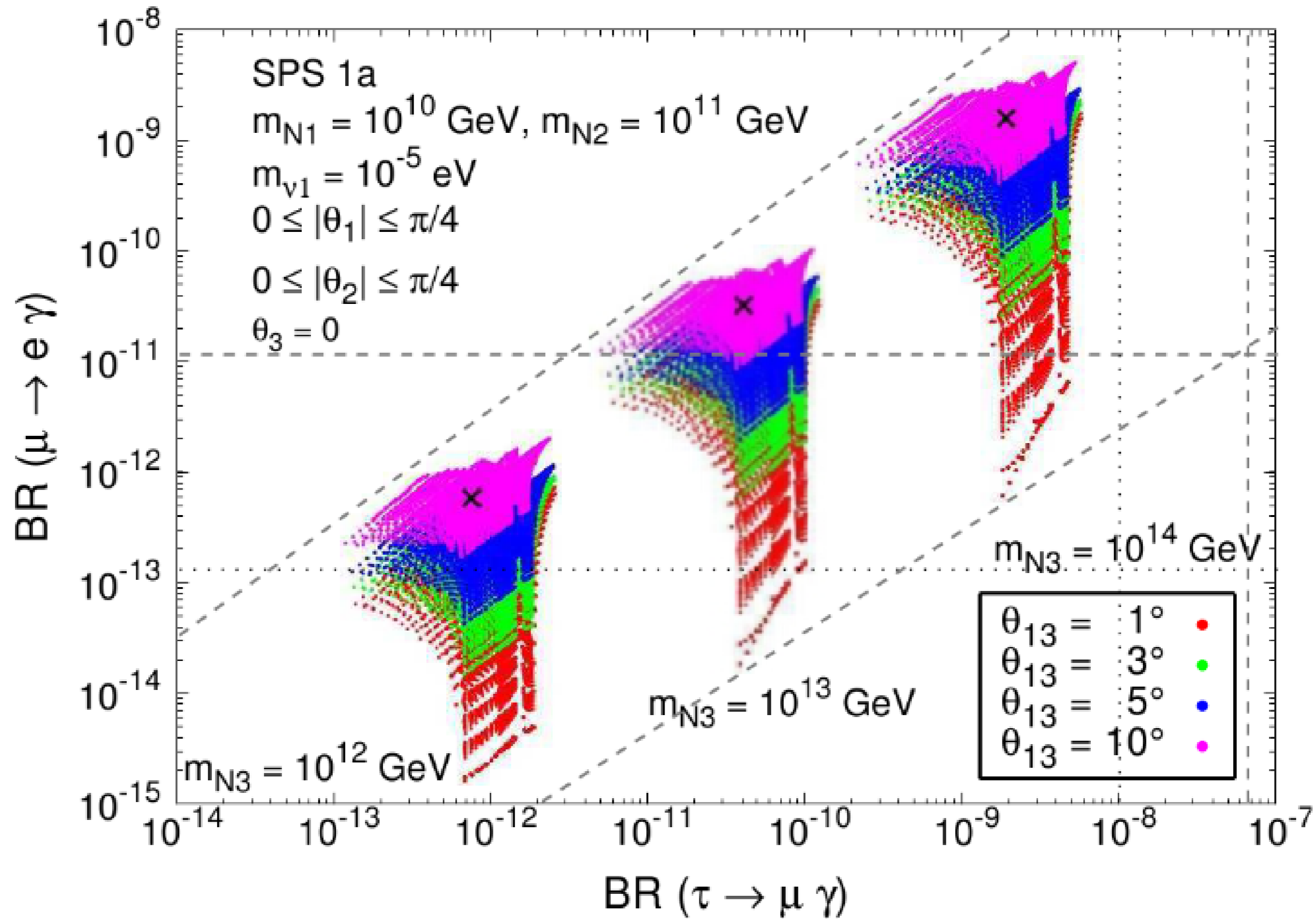
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**ABSTRACT:** We calculate the rates for the charged lepton flavour violating decays  $\ell_i \rightarrow \ell_j \gamma$ ,  $\tau \rightarrow \ell \pi$ ,  $\tau \rightarrow \ell \eta$ ,  $\tau \rightarrow \ell \eta'$ ,  $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- e^+ e^-$ , the six three body leptonic decays  $\tau^- \rightarrow \ell_i^- \ell_j^+ \ell_k^-$  and the rate for  $\mu - e$  conversion in nuclei in the Littlest Higgs model with T-parity (LHT). We also calculate the rates for  $K_{L,S} \rightarrow \mu e$ ,  $K_{L,S} \rightarrow \pi^0 \mu e$  and  $B_{d,s} \rightarrow \ell_i \ell_j$ . We find that the relative effects of mirror leptons in these transitions are by many orders of magnitude larger than analogous mirror quark effects in rare  $K$  and  $B$  decays analyzed recently. In particular, in order to suppress the  $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$  and  $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- e^+ e^-$  decay rates and the  $\mu - e$  conversion rate below the experimental upper bounds, the relevant mixing matrix in the mirror lepton sector  $V_{H\ell}$  must be rather hierarchical, unless the spectrum of mirror leptons is quasi-degenerate. We find that the pattern of the LFV branching ratios in the LHT model differs significantly from the one encountered in the MSSM, allowing in a transparent manner to distinguish these two models with the help of LFV processes. We also calculate  $(g - 2)_\mu$  and find the new contributions to  $a_\mu$  below  $1 \cdot 10^{-10}$  and consequently negligible. We compare our results with those present in the literature.



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Correlation between  $\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e \gamma)$  and  $\text{BR}(\tau \rightarrow \mu \gamma)$  as a function of  $m_{N3}$ , for SPS 1a.

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- **AKM**: Antusch, King and Malinsky model based on the flavour symmetry SU(3)
- **$\delta$ LL**: flavour models predicting pure, CKM-like, left-handed currents
- **FBMSSM**: flavour-blind MSSM
- **LHT**: Littlest Higgs Model with T-Parity
- **RS**: Randall–Sundrum model with custodial protection

SUSY models

non-SUSY models

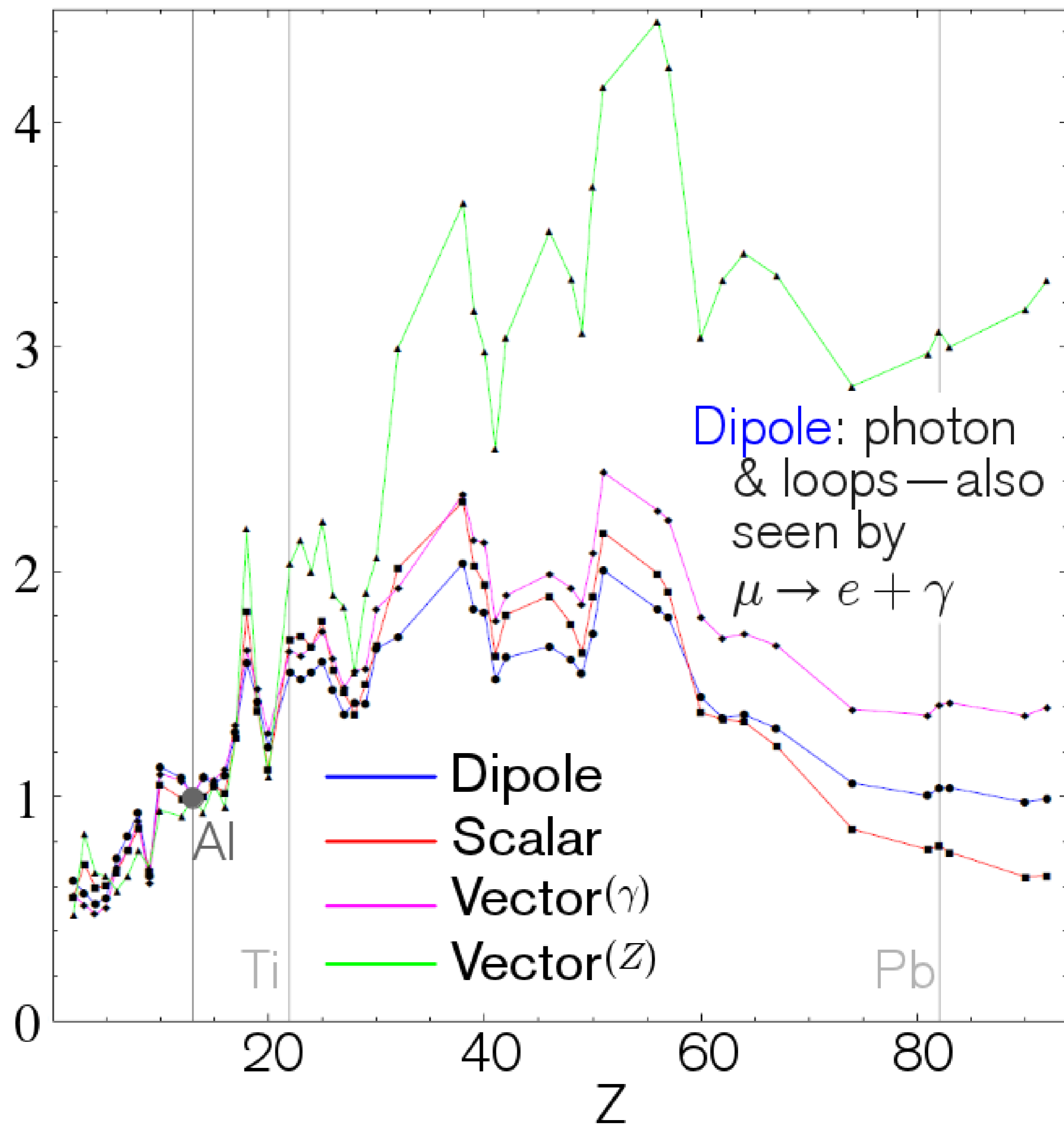
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The relative dependences of the muon-to-electron conversion branching ratio on the target nucleus, for different models of New Physics interactions

Cirigliano, Kitano, Okada, and Tuzon, arXiv:0904.0957

(Predictions for  $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$  also given)



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- **PRISM** extends this to a sensitivity of  $10^{-18}$

# Charged Lepton Flavour Violation

- **Probes the lepton sector**, where neutrinos have given us direct evidence that the SM is incomplete, and that cLFV must happen
- Theoretically clean processes
- Complementary to the LHC
  - next generation can probe **EW and TeV mass scales *and beyond***
  - sensitive to flavour physics at **GUT and Seesaw scales**
- Need to measure multiple channels, multiple observables
  - to disentangle flavour sector of BSM physics models
- **...but we are in the *discovery* phase**
  - first observed cLFV lays down a marker for all other processes
- muon-to-electron conversion is an excellent channel
  - **4 to 6 orders of magnitude improvement feasible**

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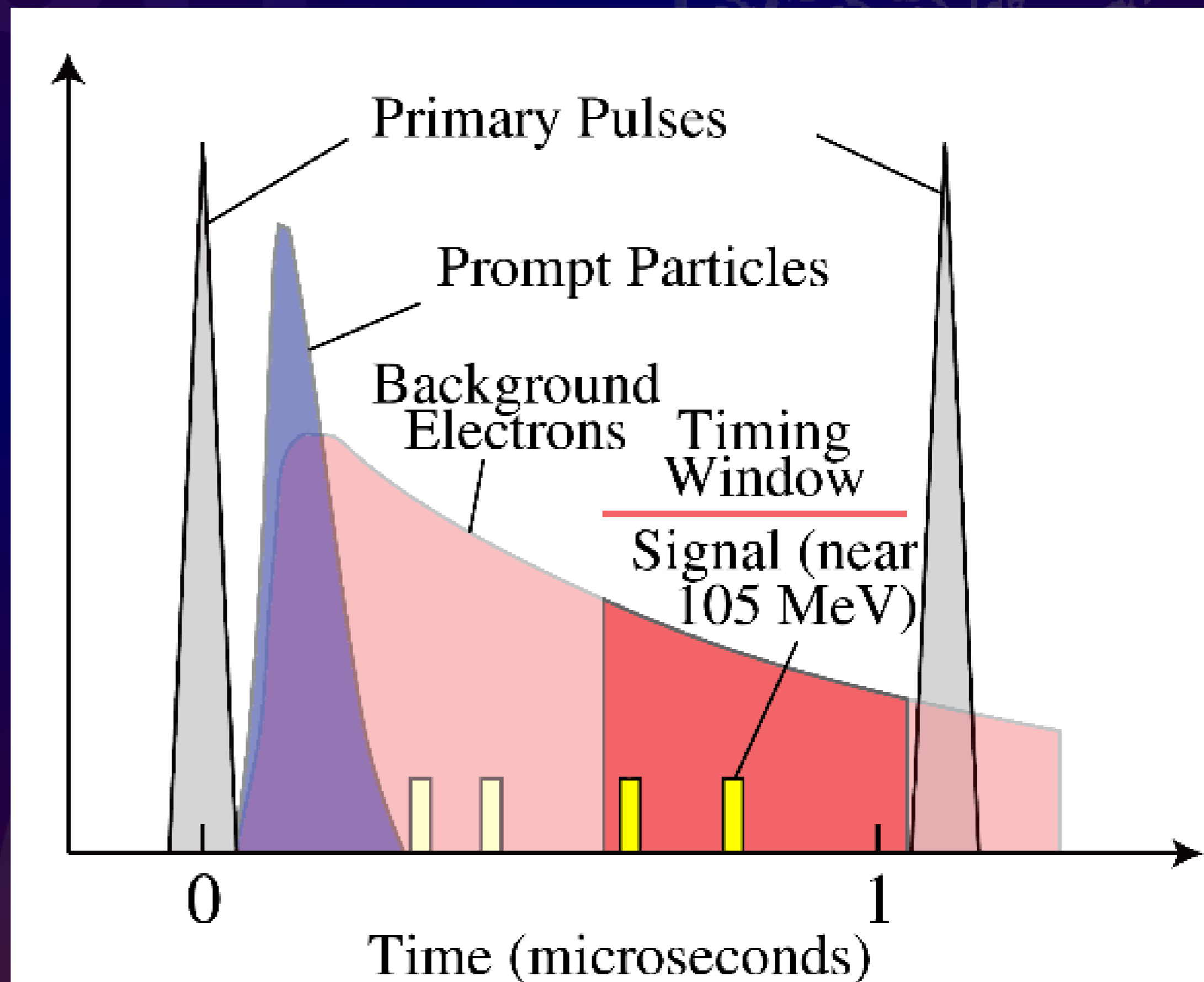
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# Use of a Pulsed Primary Beam

- Large backgrounds occur promptly with incoming muons
- Signal events occur with a delay
  - ⇒ Pulse primary beam to separate prompt backgrounds from signal

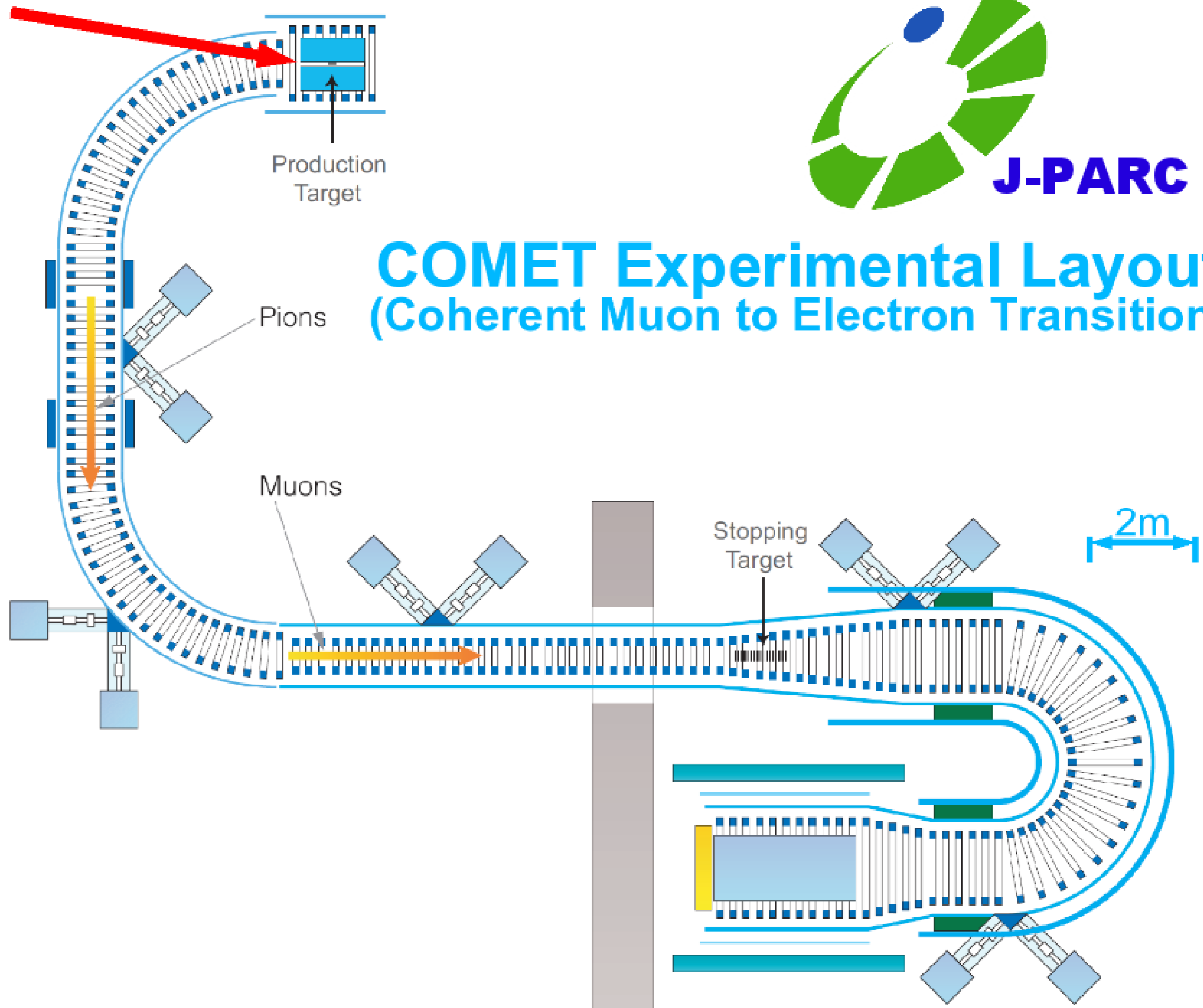
- Use energy and time to separate signal from backgrounds
- Muonic atom lifetimes vary due to nuclear muon capture
  - Al: 880 ns
  - Ti: 330 ns
  - Au: 73 ns





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# COMET Experimental Layout (Coherent Muon to Electron Transition)



# Search for Lepton-Flavor-Violating Rare Muon Processes

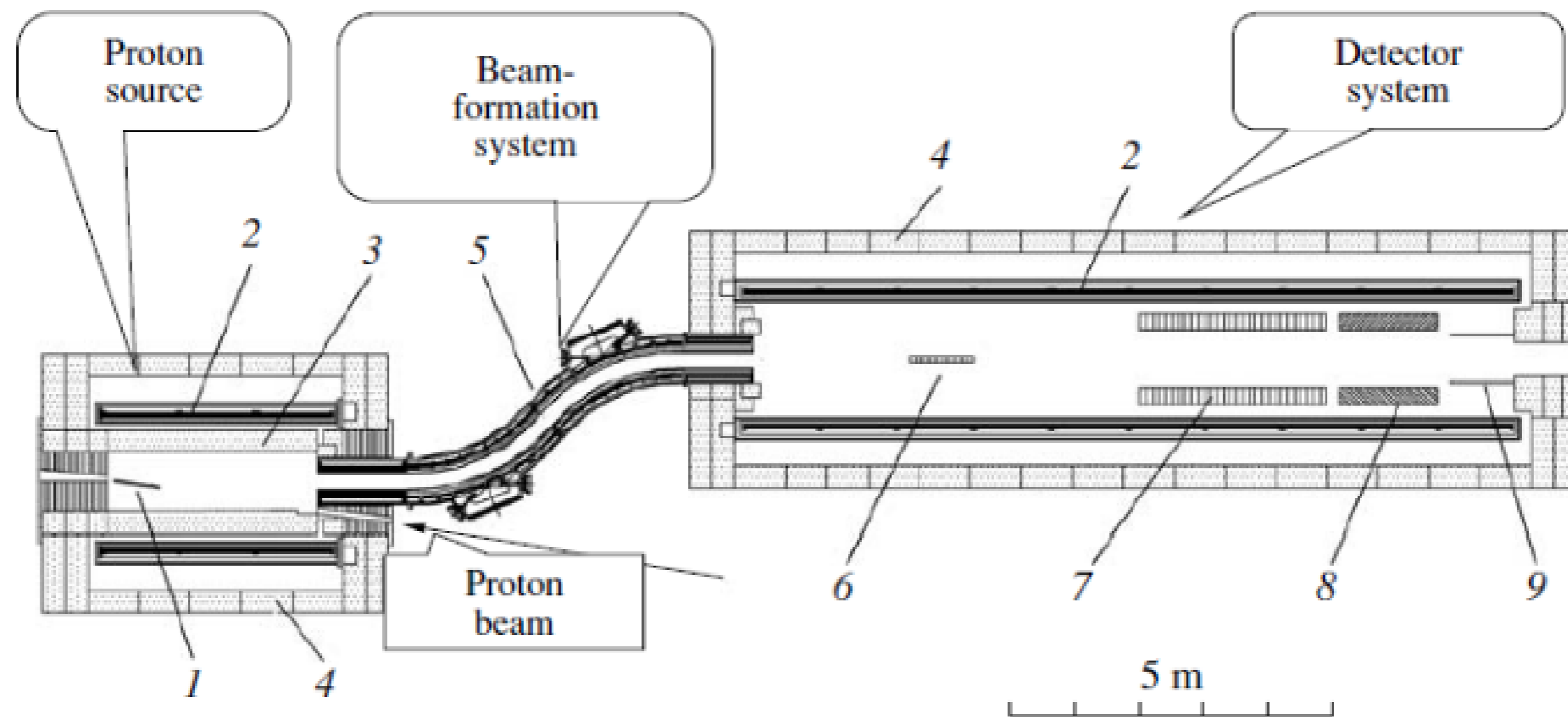
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**Basic concept  
from 1989**

**Abstract**—A new approach to seeking three lepton-flavor-violating rare muon processes ( $\mu \rightarrow e$  conversion,  $\mu \rightarrow e + \gamma$ , and  $\mu \rightarrow 3e$ ) on the basis of a single experimental facility is proposed. This approach makes it possible to improve the sensitivity level of relevant experiments by factors of  $10^5$ , 600, and 300 for, respectively, the first, the second, and the third of the above processes in relation to the existing experimental level. The approach is based on employing a pulsed proton beam and on combining a muon source and the detector part of the facility into a unified magnetic system featuring a nonuniform field. A new detector design involving separate units and making it possible to study all three muonic processes at a single facility that admits a simple rearrangement of the detectors used is discussed.



**Fig. 1.** Central horizontal cut of the MELC facility: (1) proton target, (2) superconductor solenoid, (3) shield of the solenoid, (4) steel yoke, (5) transport solenoid and collimator, (6) detector target, (7) coordinate detector, (8) calorimeter, and (9) detector shield and beam trap.

8 GeV  
Proton  
Beam

Pion Production Target and  
Superconducting Pion  
Capture Solenoid

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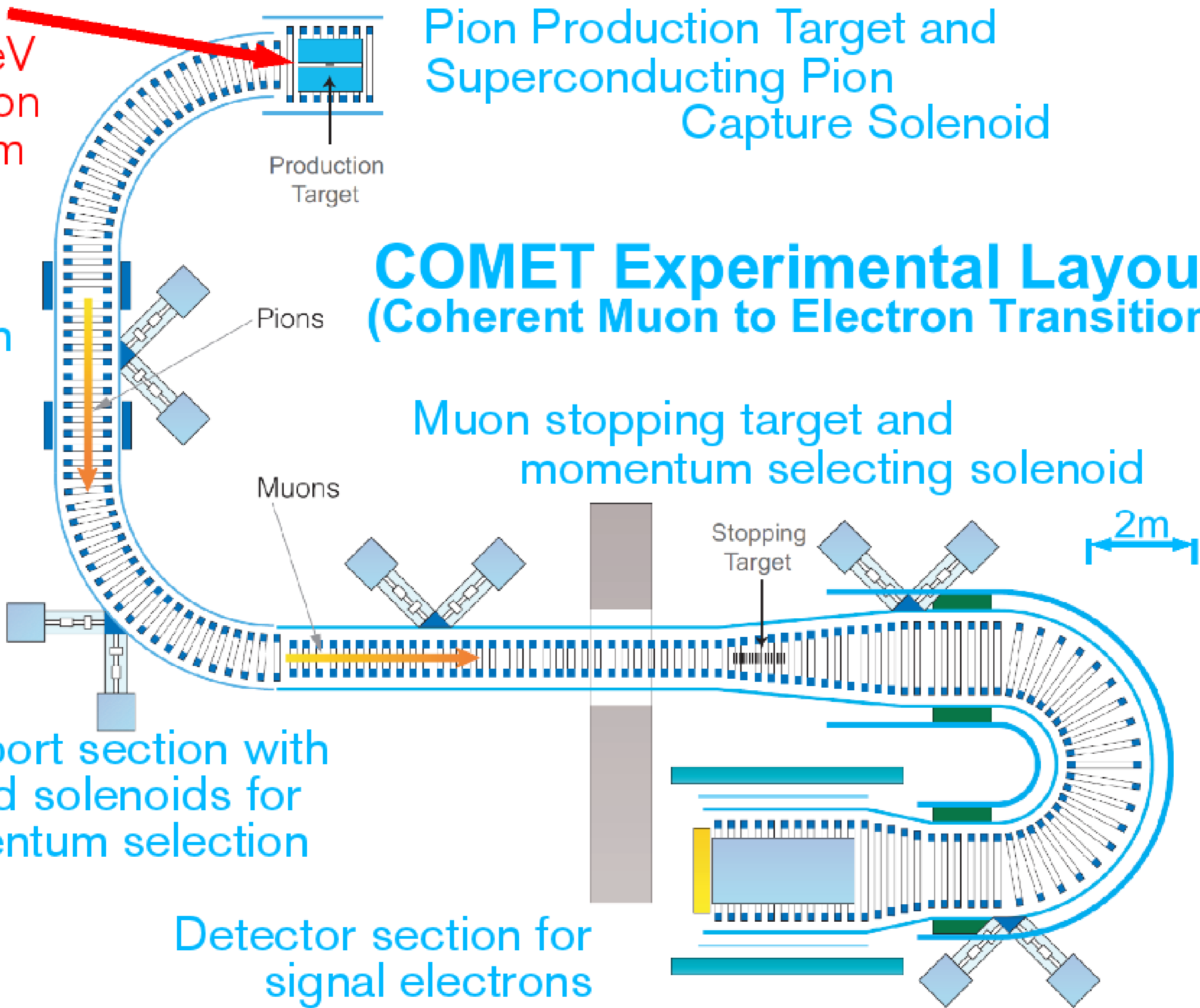
Muon stopping target and  
momentum selecting solenoid

2m

Detector section for  
signal electrons

Pion  
decay  
section

Muon  
transport section with  
curved solenoids for  
momentum selection



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# Design Considerations



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# Background Event Categories

- Intrinsic physics backgrounds
  - electrons from muons stopped in the target
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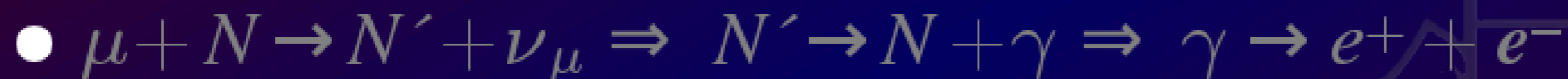
# Intrinsic Physics Backgrounds

- Muon Decay in Orbit (DIO)



- muon decay kinematics modified by atomic environment

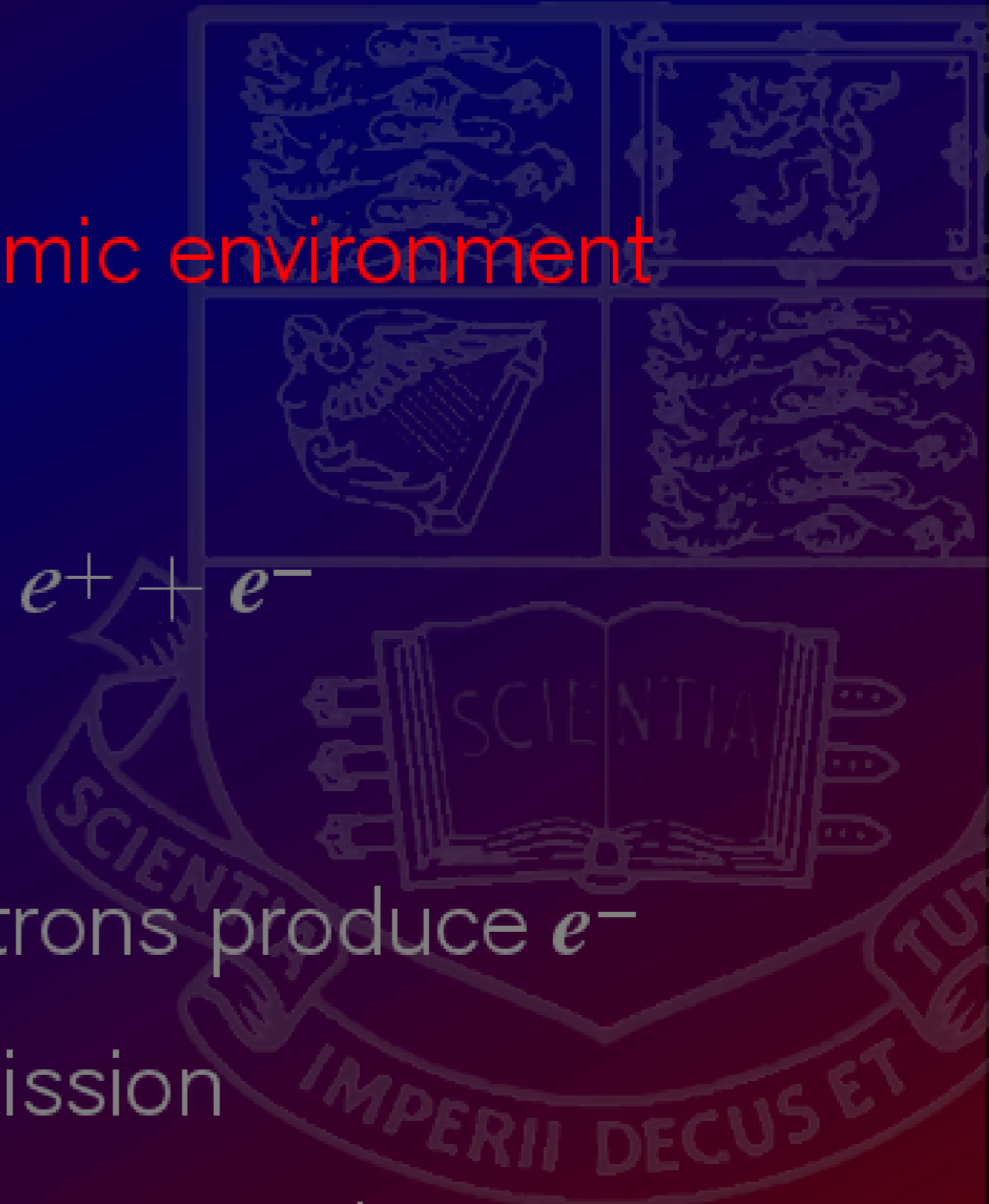
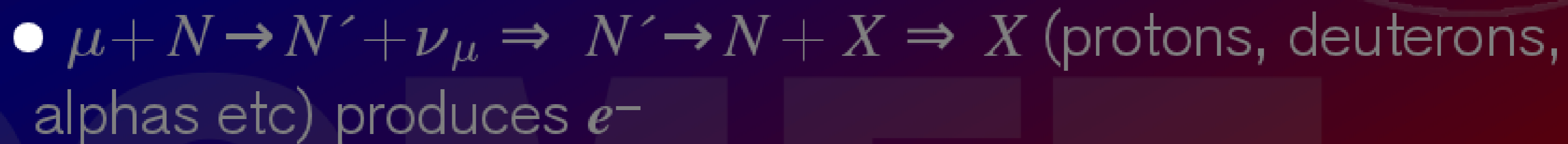
- Radiative Muon Capture



- Muon Capture with Neutron Emission



- Muon Capture with Charged Particle Emission

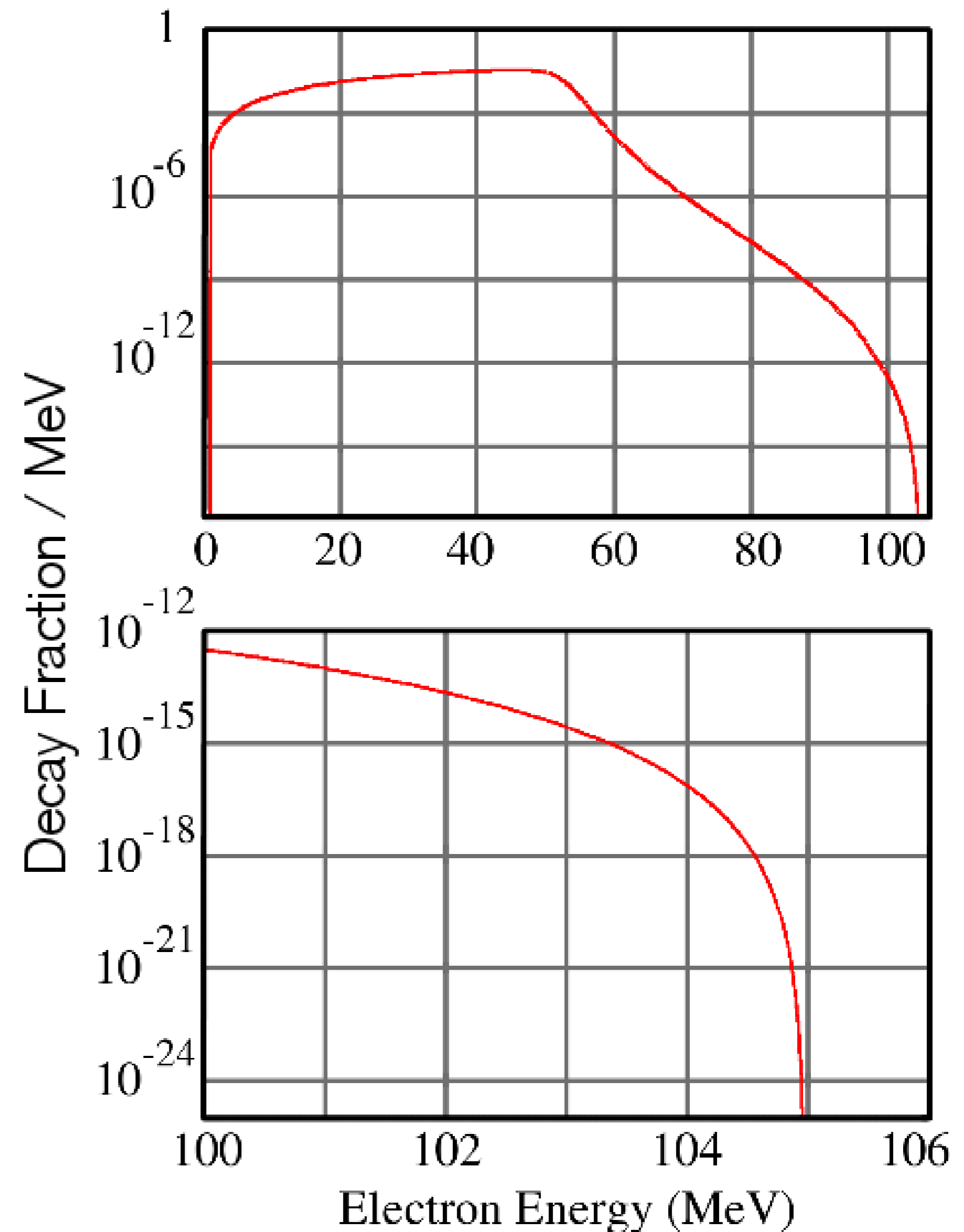




# Decay-in-Orbit (DIO) Electrons

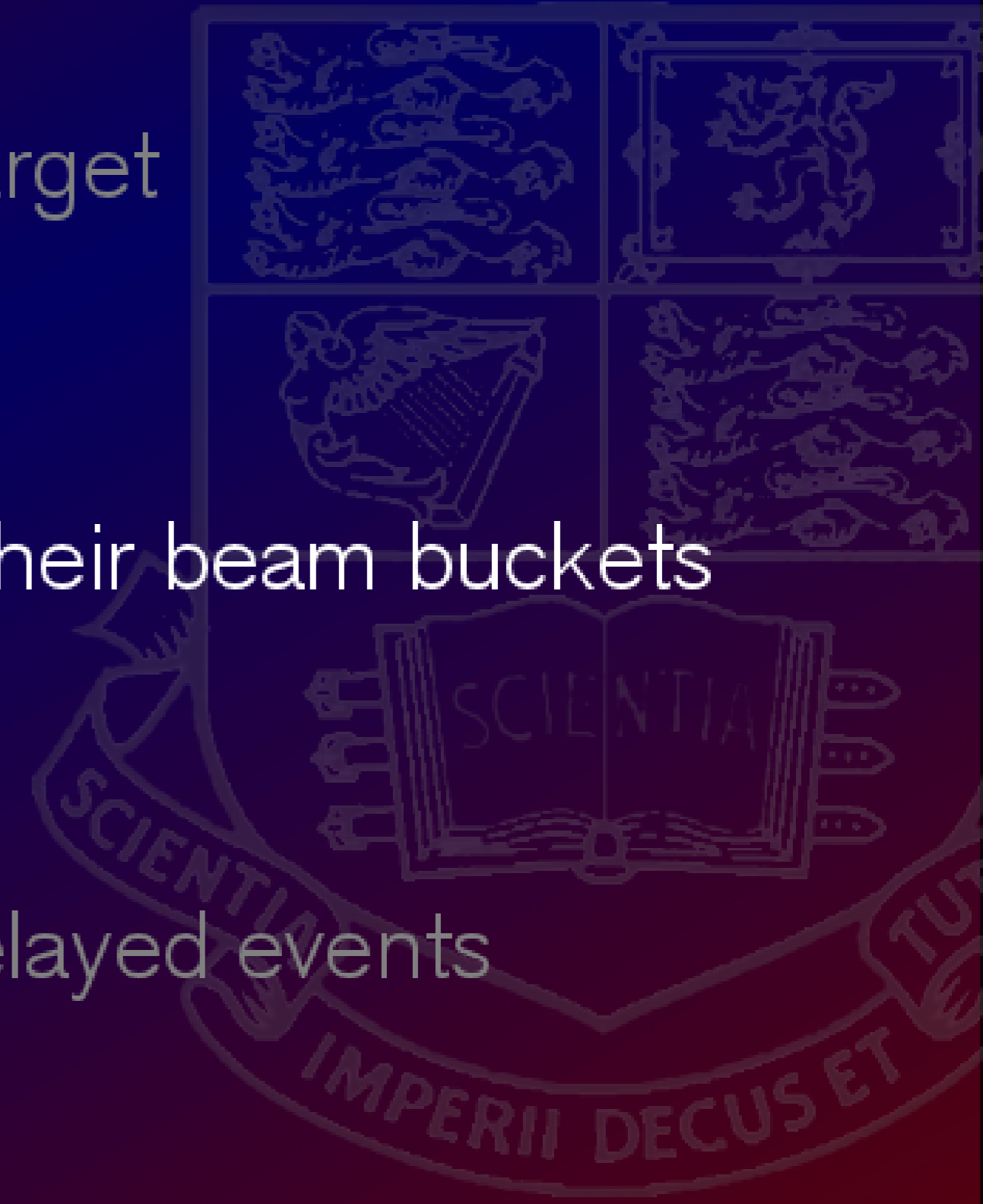
- For Al, 40% of muons decay “in orbit”
- **Free muon decay** has end-point of 52.8 MeV
- **Nuclear recoil** modifies the energy spectrum for DIO
- End-point can reach up to  $\mu$ - $e$  conversion energy
- $\propto (E_{\mu-e} - E)^5$  near end-point
- Crucial to understand spectrum near 105 MeV
- New calculations available (autumn 2011)

## DIO Energy Spectrum



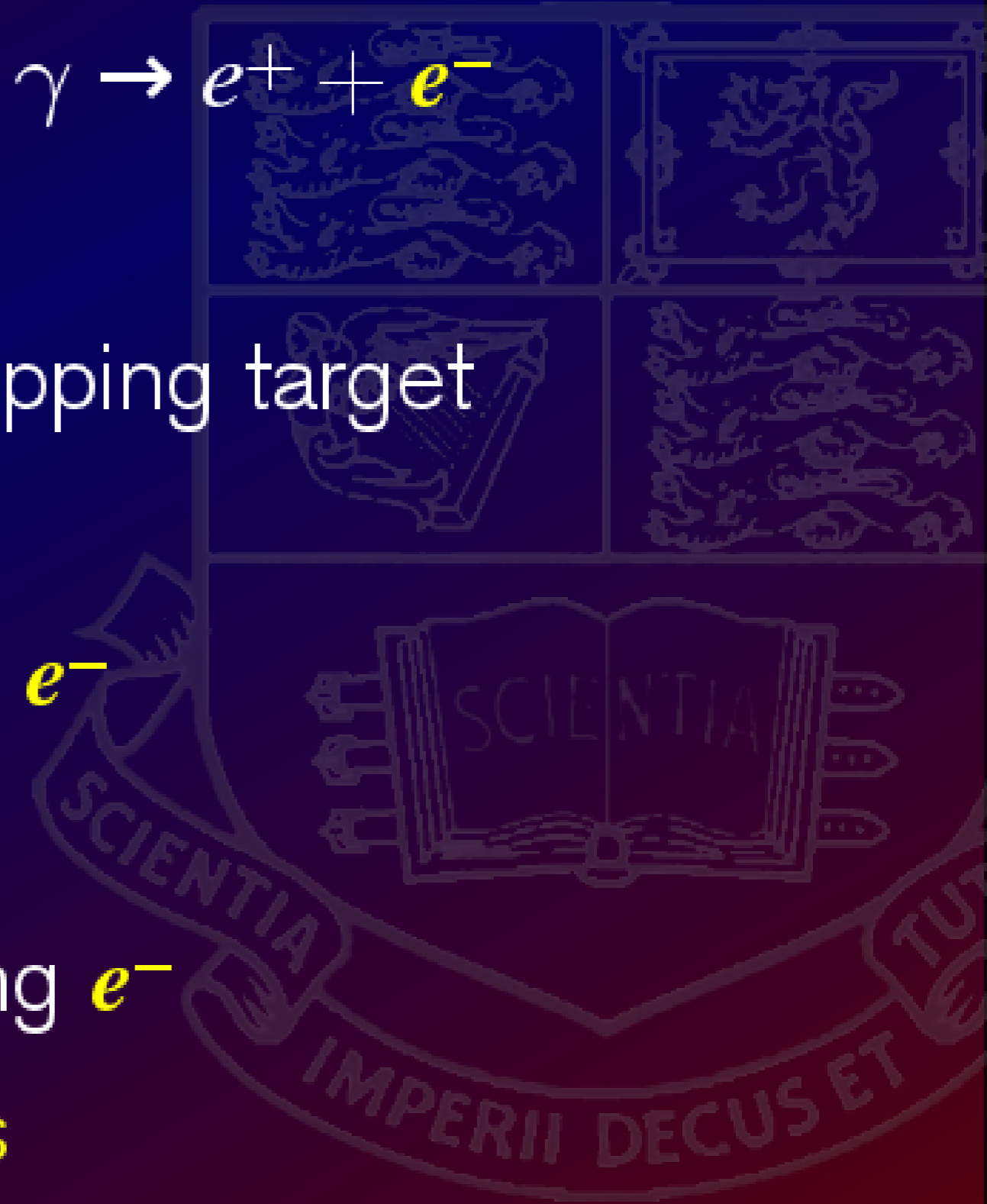
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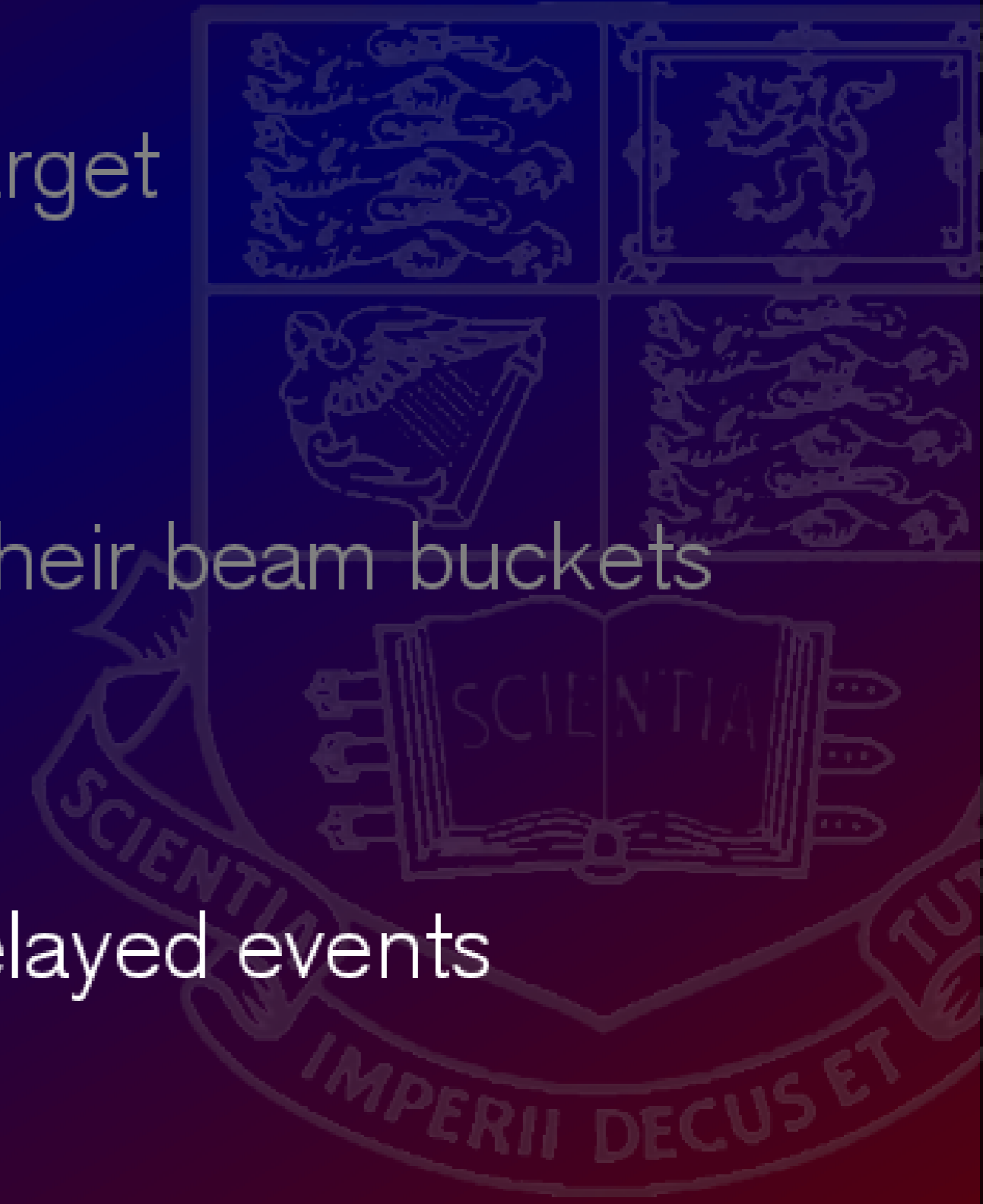
# Prompt Backgrounds

- Radiative pion capture
  - $\pi^- + N \rightarrow \gamma + N' + \dots \Rightarrow \gamma \rightarrow e^+ + e^-$
- Beam electrons
  - $e^-$  scattering off a muon stopping target
- Muon decay in flight
  - $\mu$  decays in flight producing  $e^-$
- Pion decay in flight
  - $\pi^-$  decays in flight producing  $e^-$
- Neutron induced backgrounds
  - neutrons hit material producing  $e^-$



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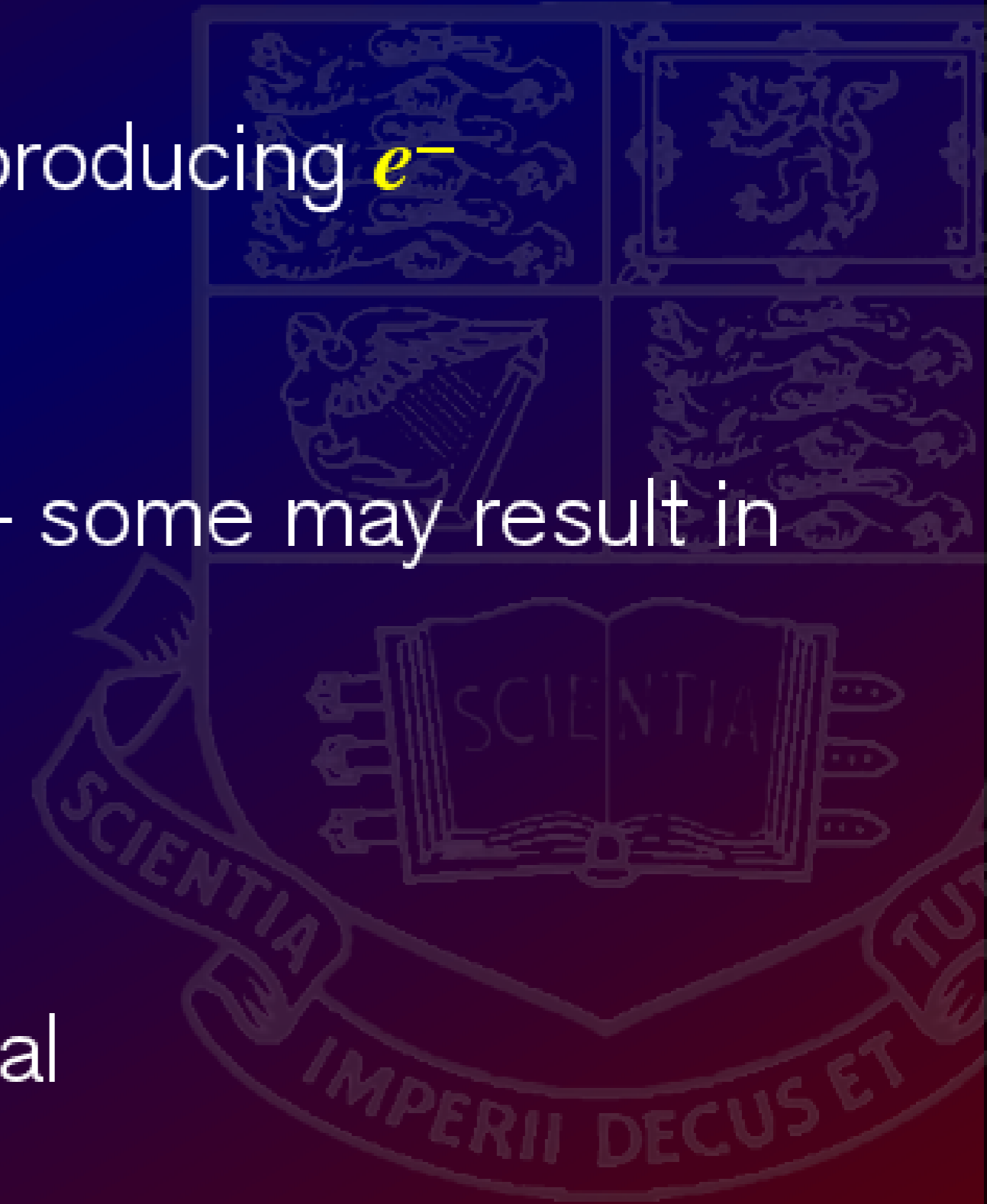
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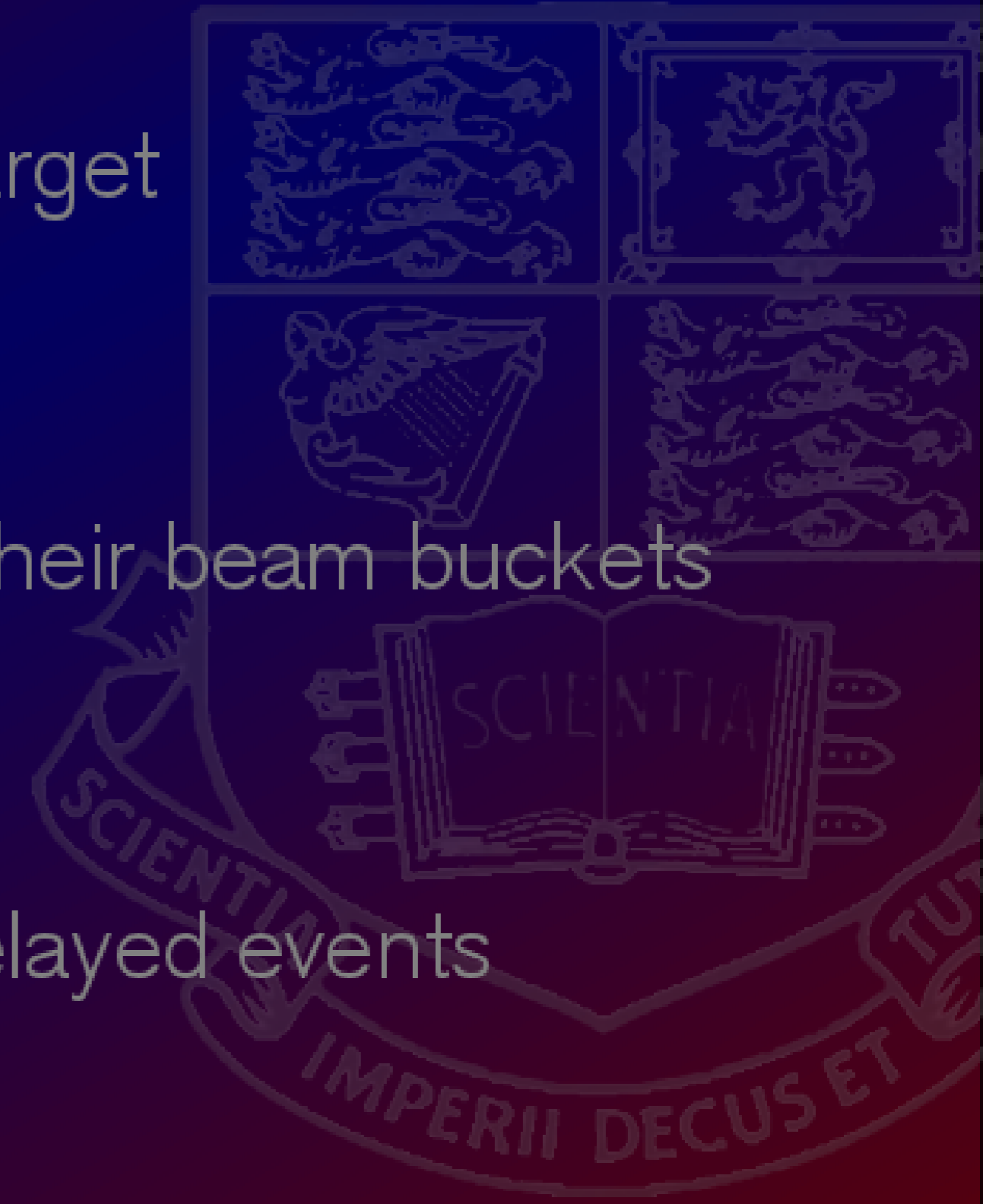
- Antiproton interactions
  - interactions of  $\bar{p}$ , which travel slowly, producing  $e^-$
- Radiative capture of pions
  - very large number of pions produced – some may result in late radiative captures

Beamline design critical



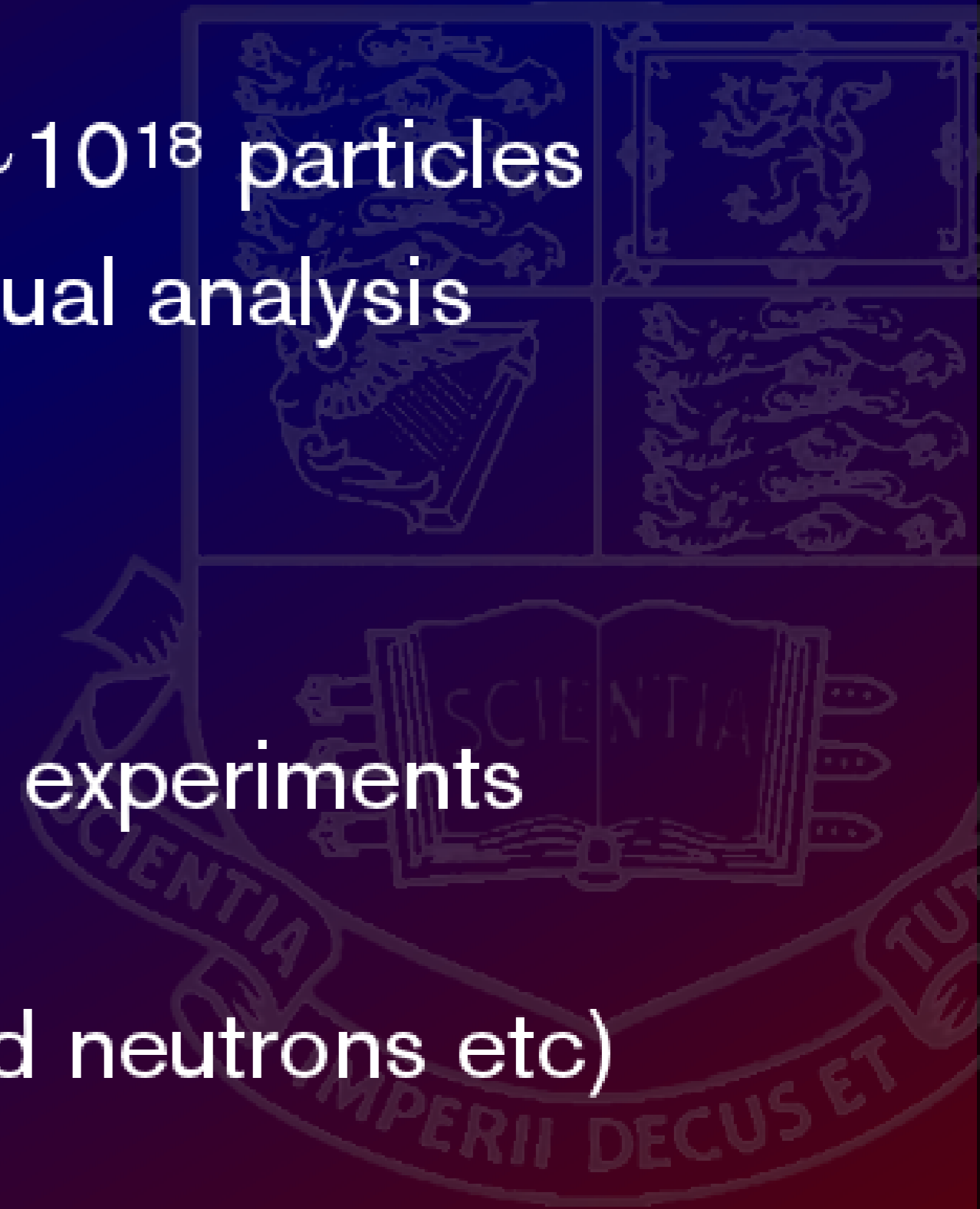
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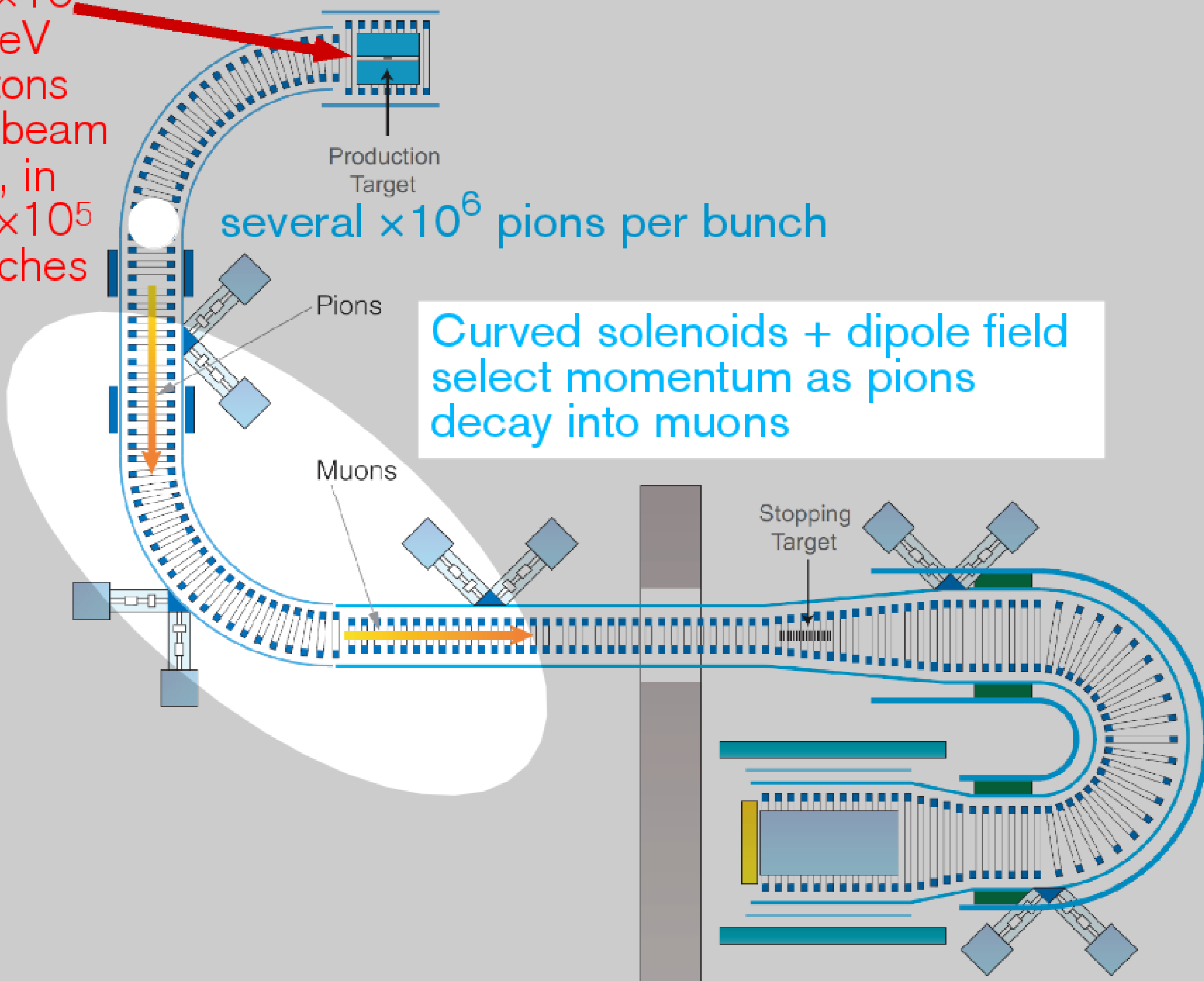
- Discriminate using **energy** and **timing**, but...
- Dependent on tails of distributions of  $\sim 10^{18}$  particles
- Influence experiment design and eventual analysis
- **Modelling / Simulations critical**
  - proton beam / target interactions
    - MARS, Geant4 QGSP, etc, external experiments
  - beamline optics (solenoidal channels)
  - experimental geometries (cosmics and neutrons etc)
- **But ultimately, the *measurement* of backgrounds will be critical**



$6.4 \times 10^{13}$   
8 GeV  
protons  
per beam  
spill, in  
 $5.3 \times 10^5$   
bunches

several  $\times 10^6$  pions per bunch

Curved solenoids + dipole field  
select momentum as pions  
decay into muons





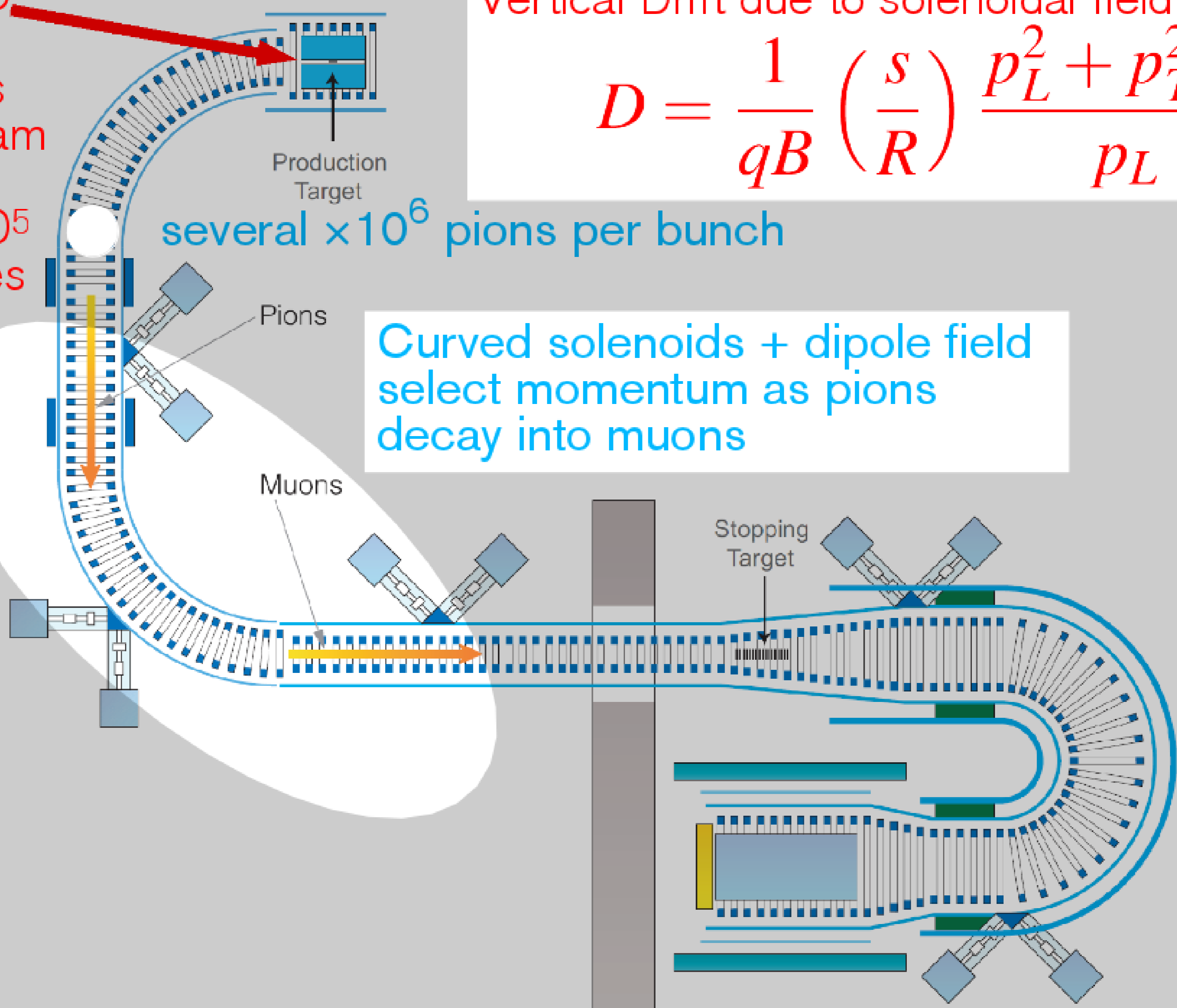
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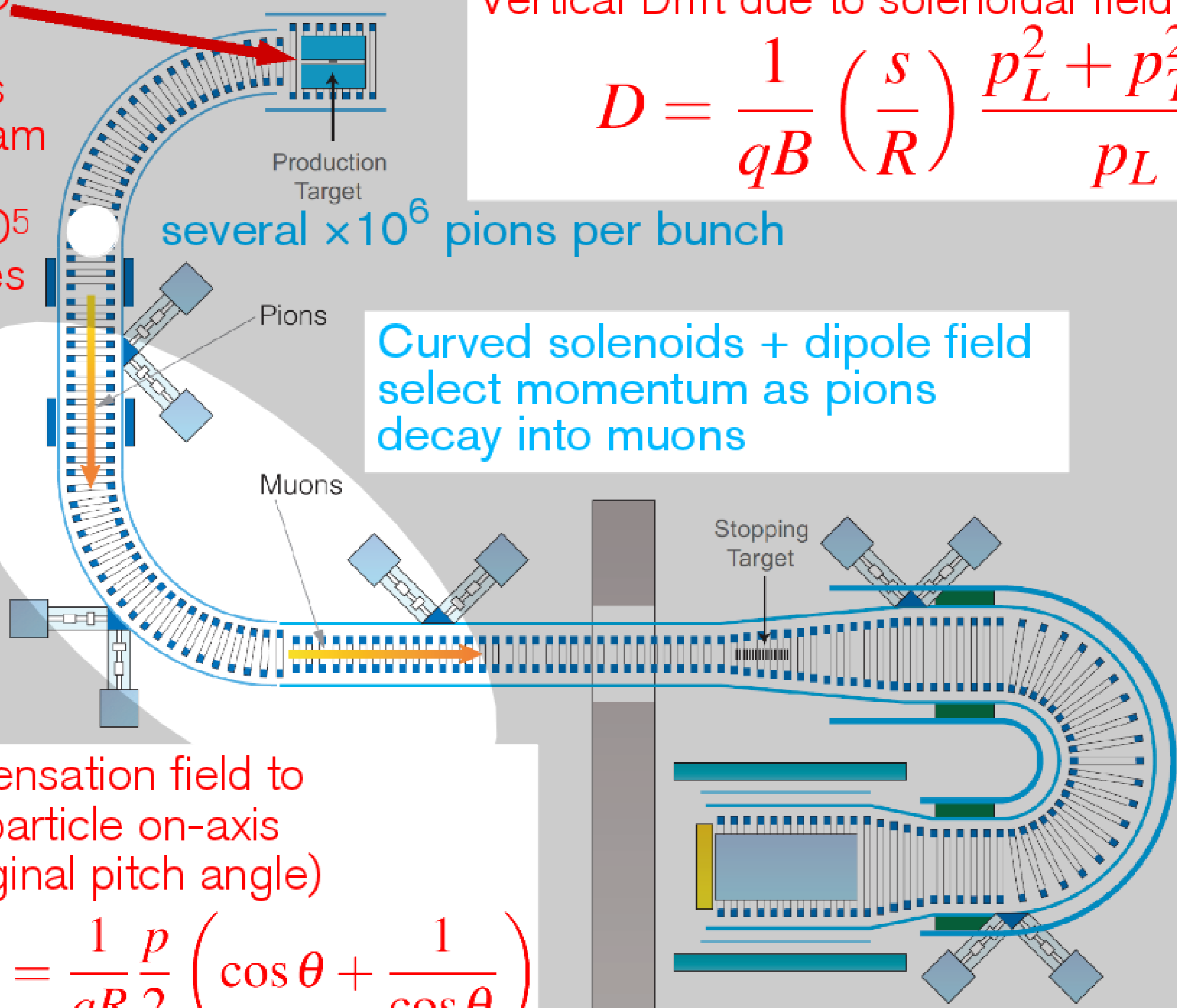
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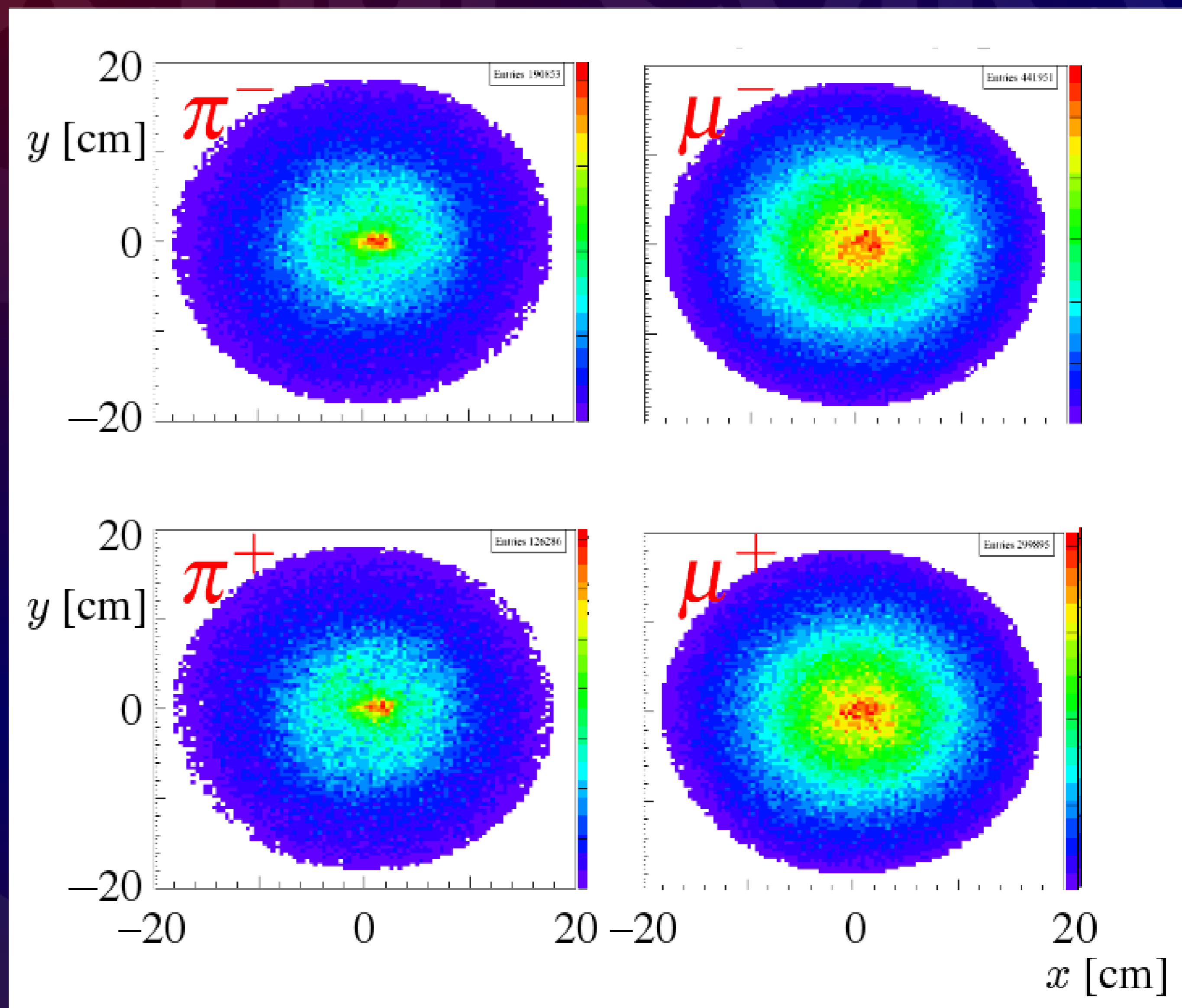
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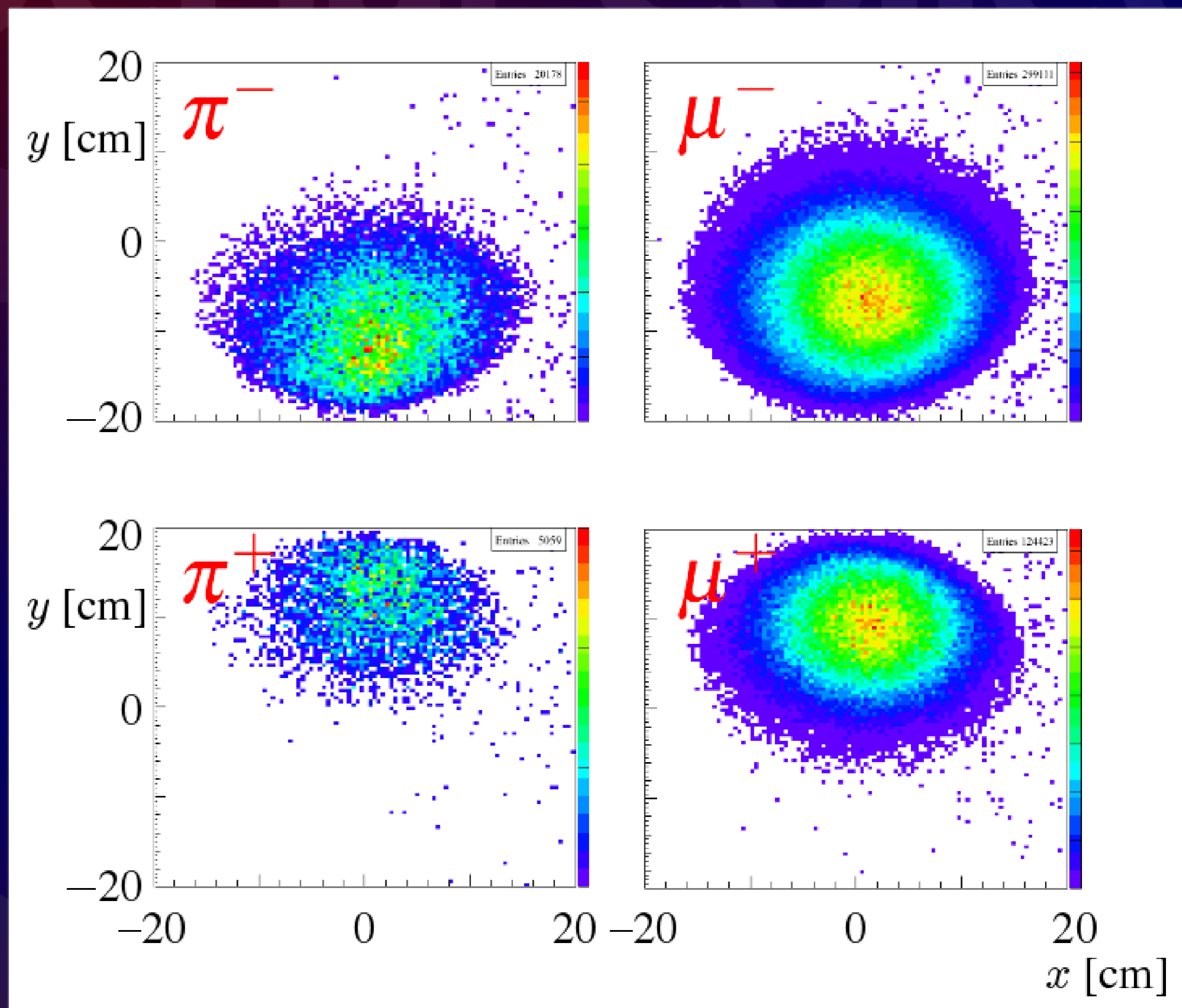
Compensation field to  
 keep particle on-axis  
 ( $\theta$  : original pitch angle)

$$B_{\text{dipole}} = \frac{1}{qR} \frac{p}{2} \left( \cos \theta + \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \right)$$

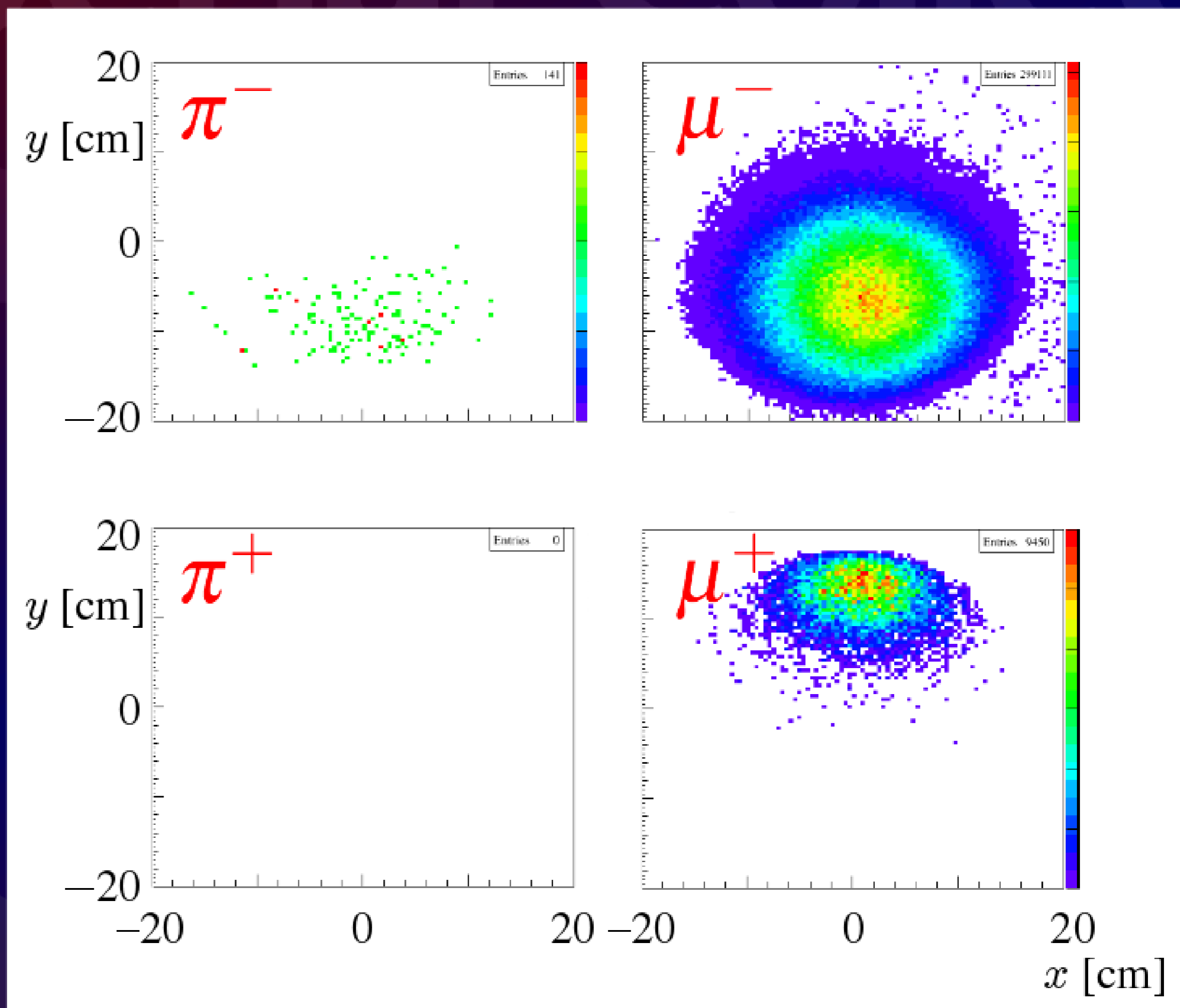
# Fluxes at Entrance to Curved Solenoid



# After 90 Degrees of Curved Solenoid

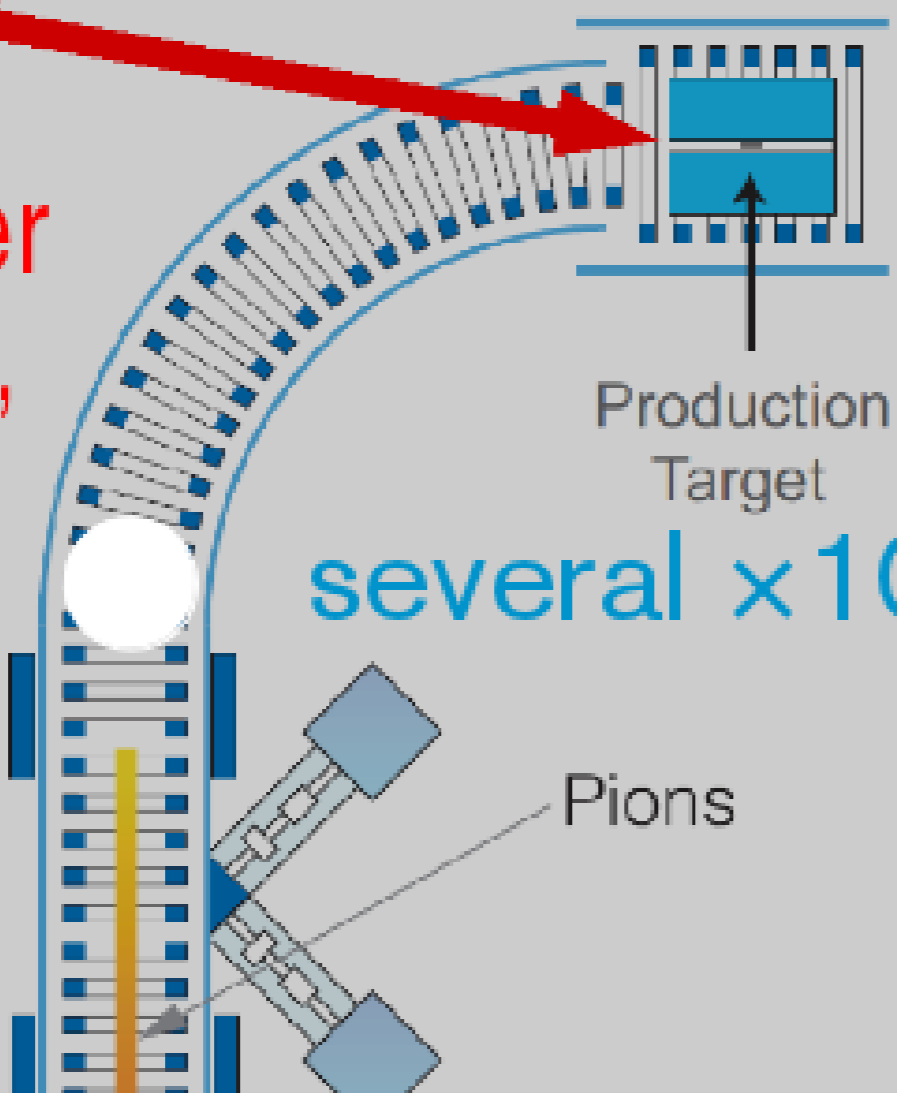


# Before Stopping Target



after  
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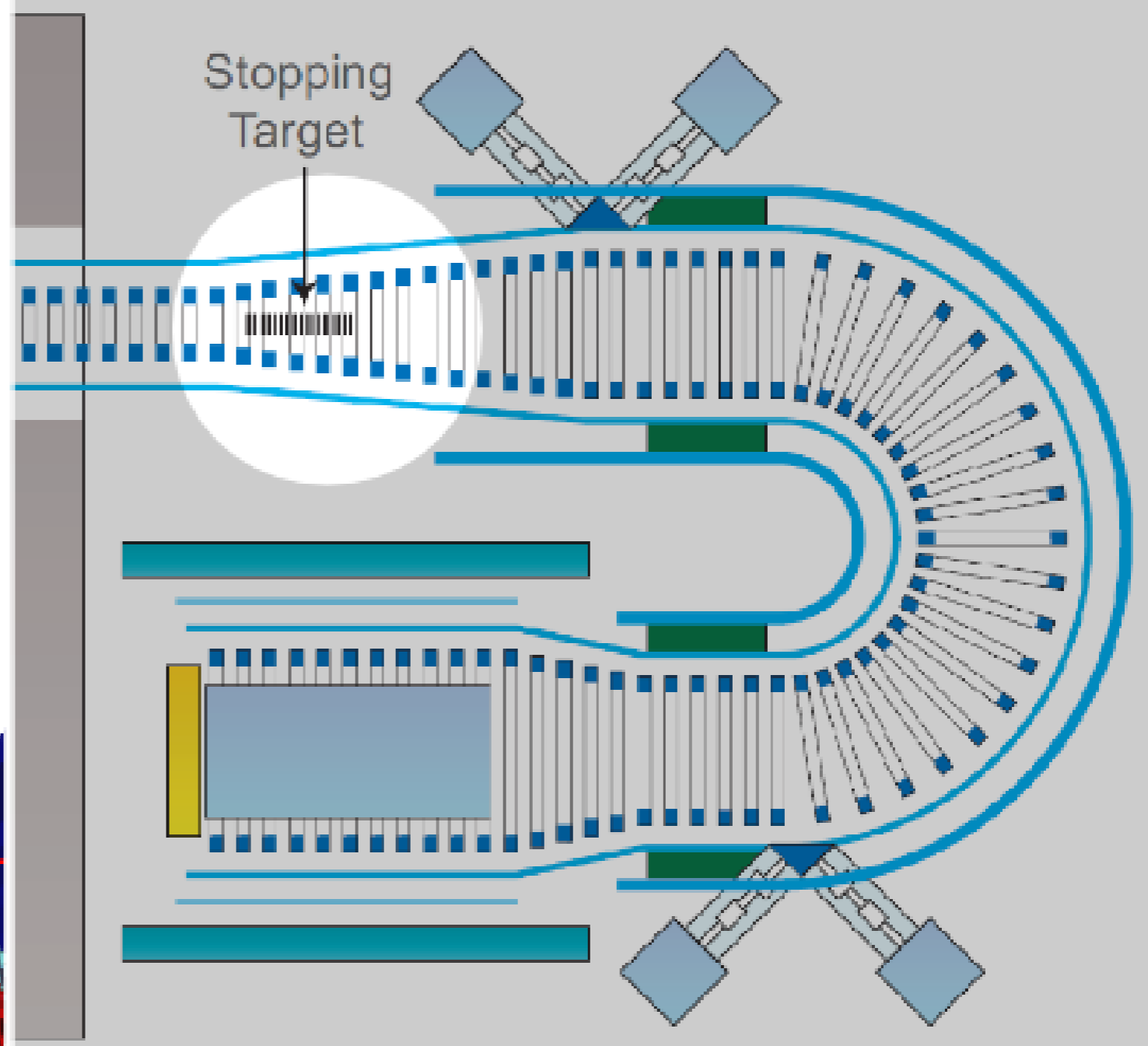
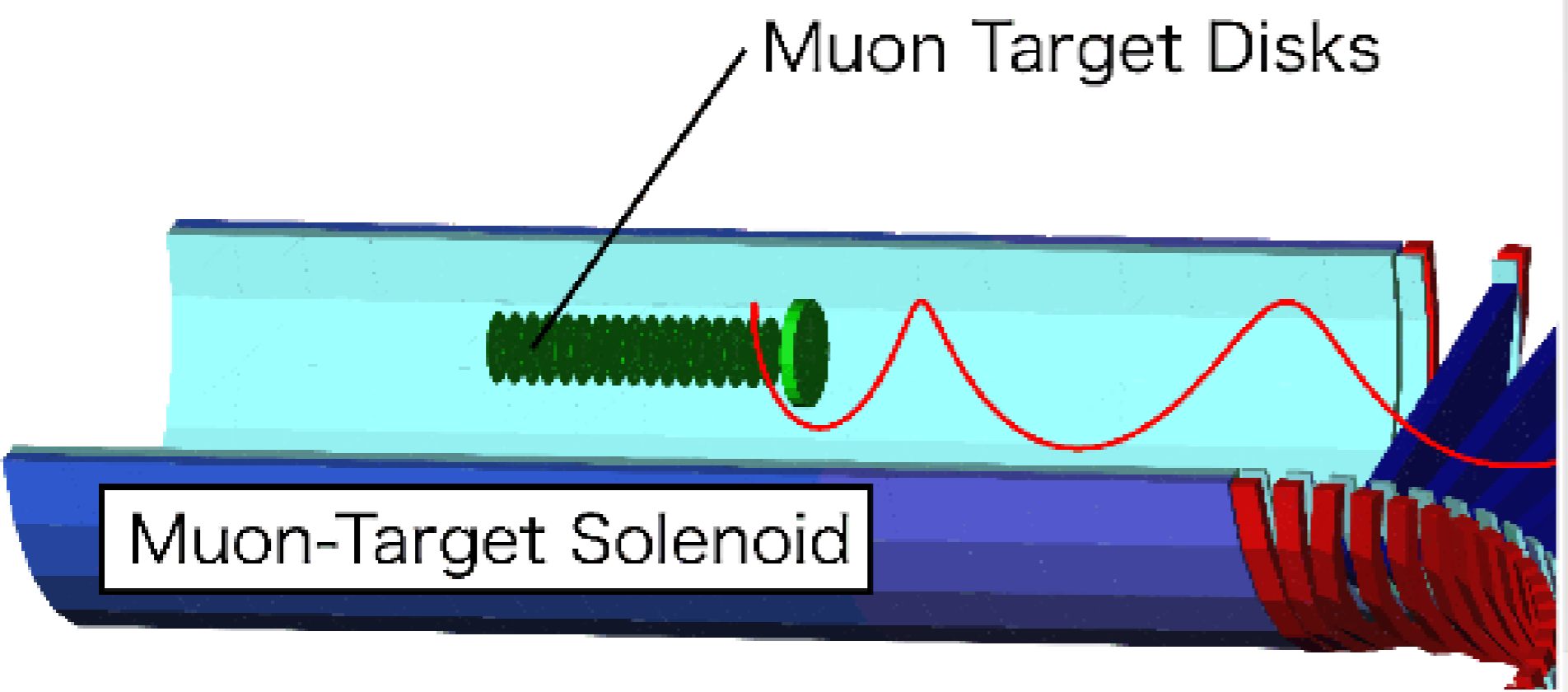
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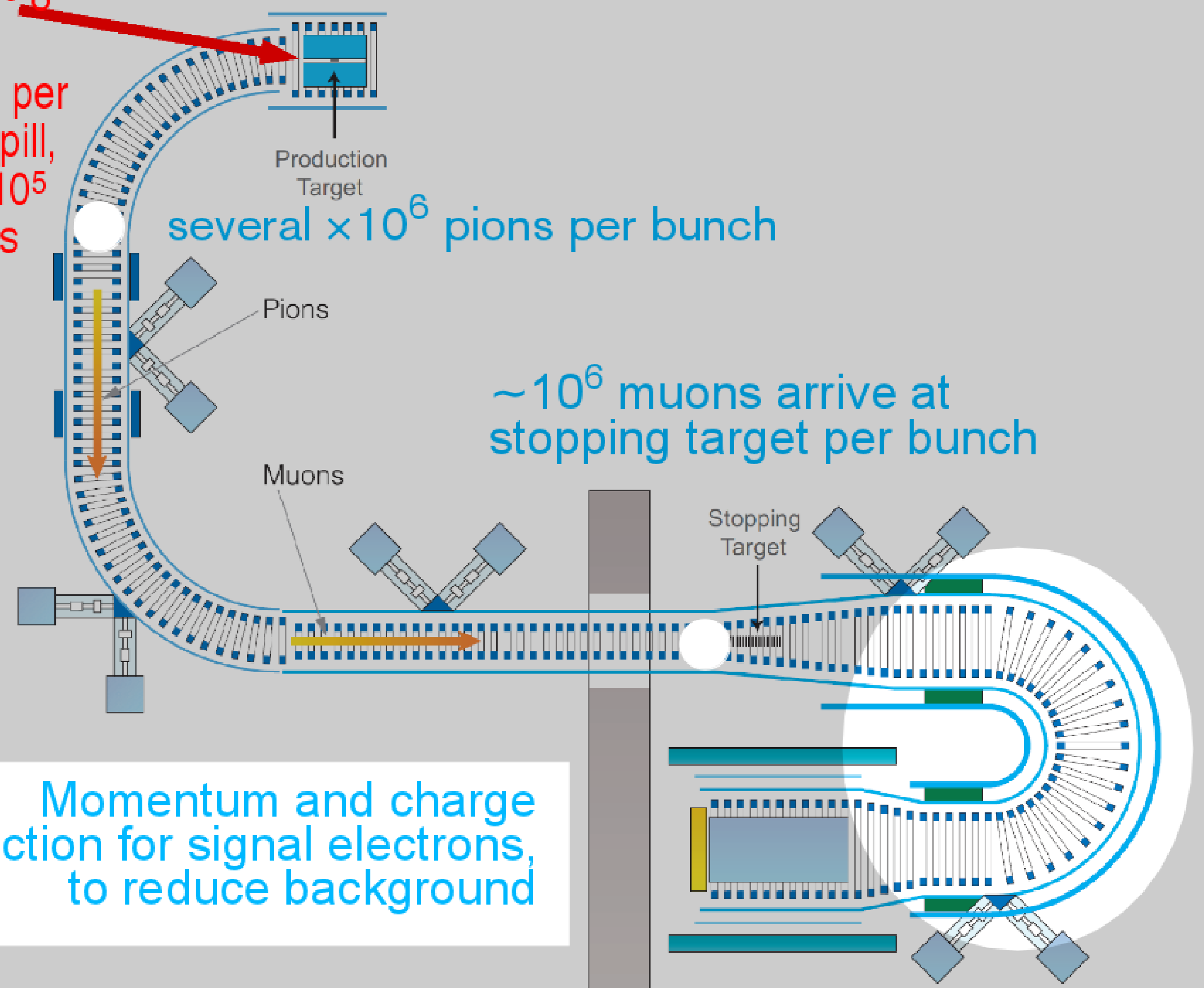
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Stopping target  
(0.2 mm thick Aluminium discs)

about 75% geometrical  
acceptance for signal electrons



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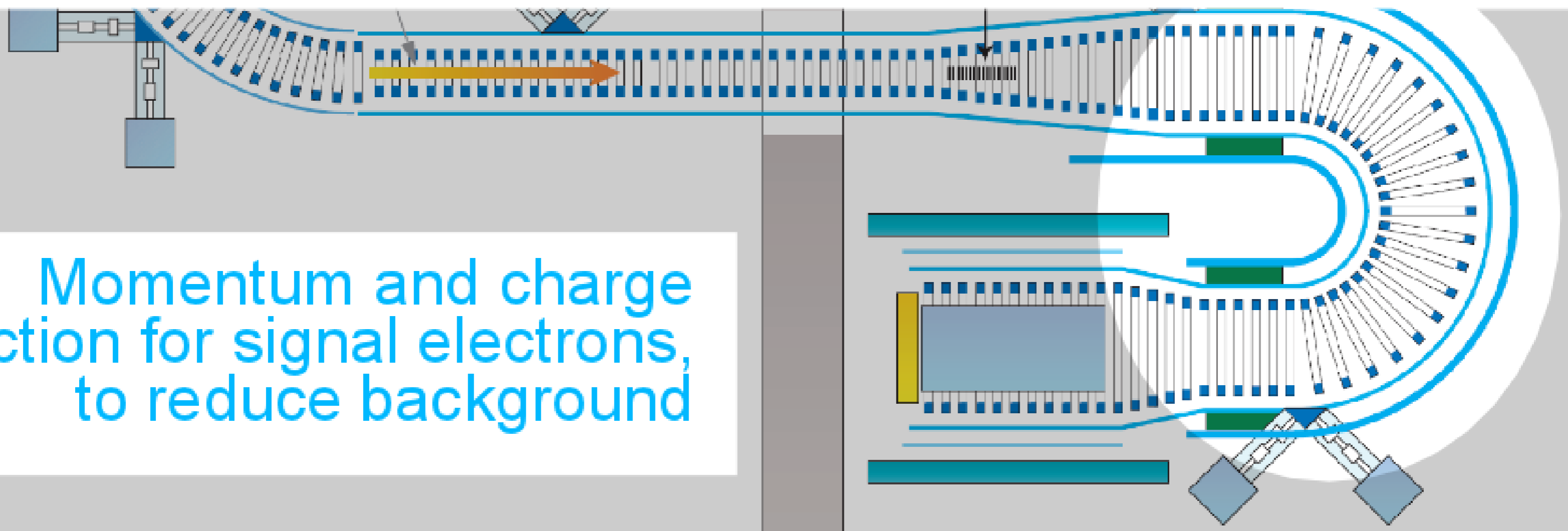
$\sim 10^6$  muons arrive at  
stopping target per bunch

Momentum and charge  
selection for signal electrons,  
to reduce background

## Particles seen after the curved solenoid

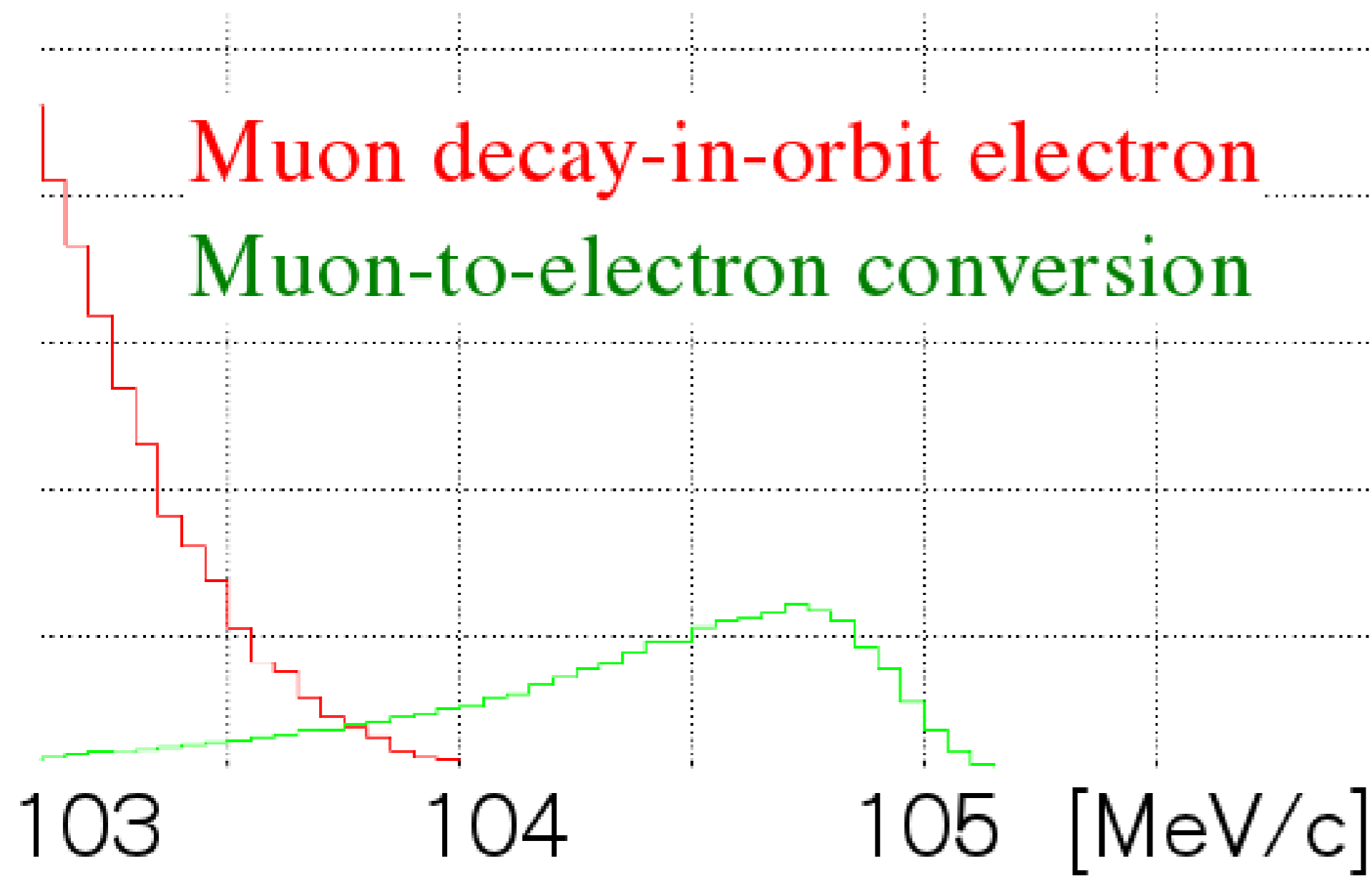
	Timing	Tracker (kHz)	Calorimeter (kHz)	Energy (MeV)
DIO electrons	Delayed	10	10	50–60
Back-scattering electrons	Delayed	15	200	< 40
Beam flash muons	Prompt	< 150 <sup>‡</sup>	< 150 <sup>‡</sup>	15–35
Muon decay in calorimeter	Delayed	—	< 150 <sup>‡</sup>	< 55
DIO from outside of target	Delayed	< 300	< 300	< 50
Proton from muon capture	Delayed	—	—	—
Neutron from muon capture	Delayed	—	10	~ 1
Photons from DIO $e^-$ scattering	Delayed	150	9000	$\langle E \rangle = 1$

Momentum and charge selection for signal electrons, to reduce background

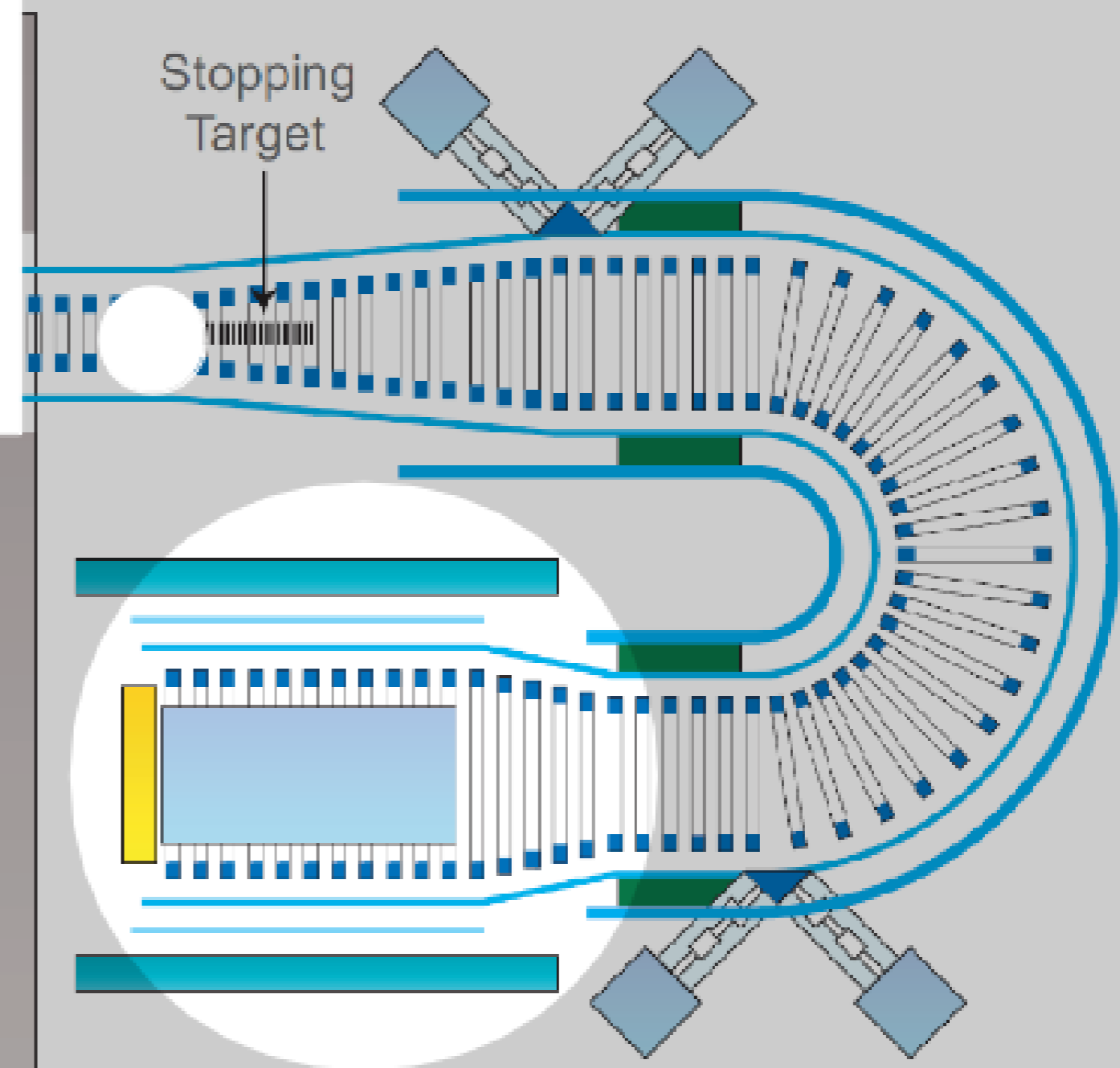




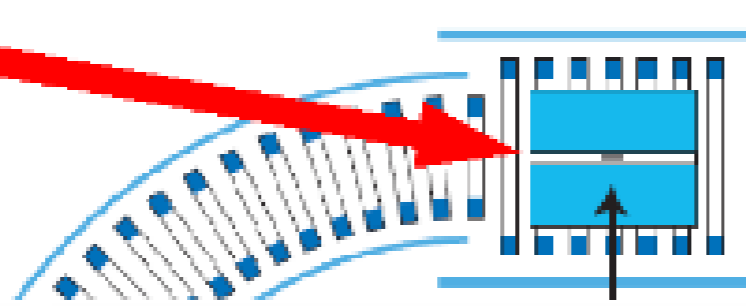
Relative signal and background spectra for branching ratio of  $10^{-16}$   
statistics  $\times 100$  (including energy loss and tracker resolution)



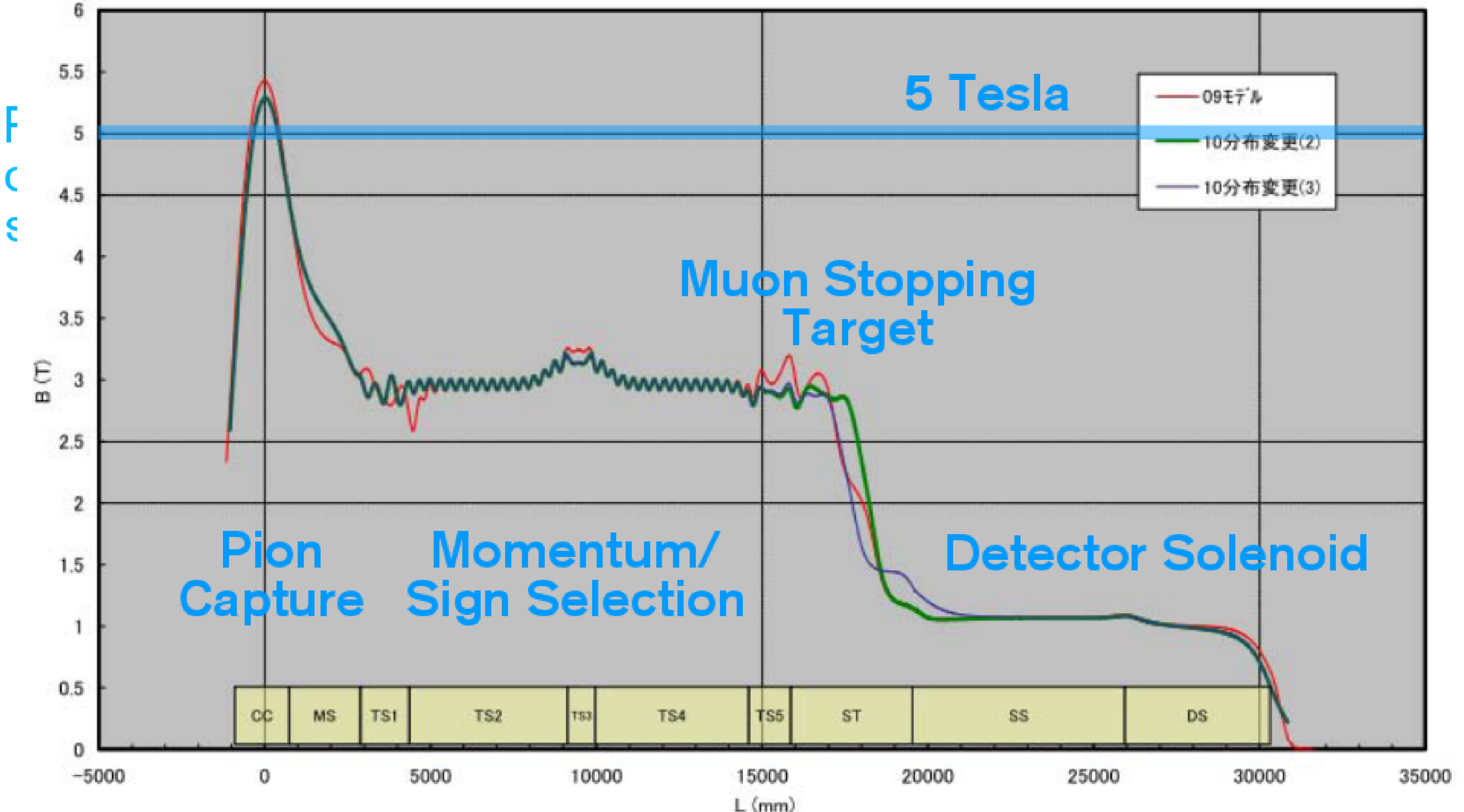
Tracking detector for momentum measurement, calorimeter for energy and triggering redundancy



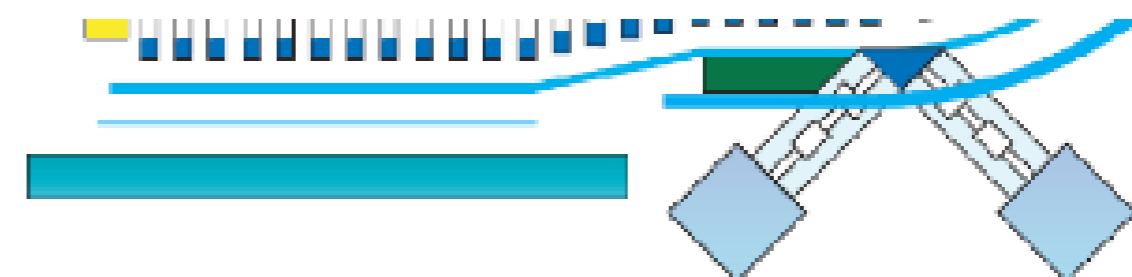
8 GeV  
Proton



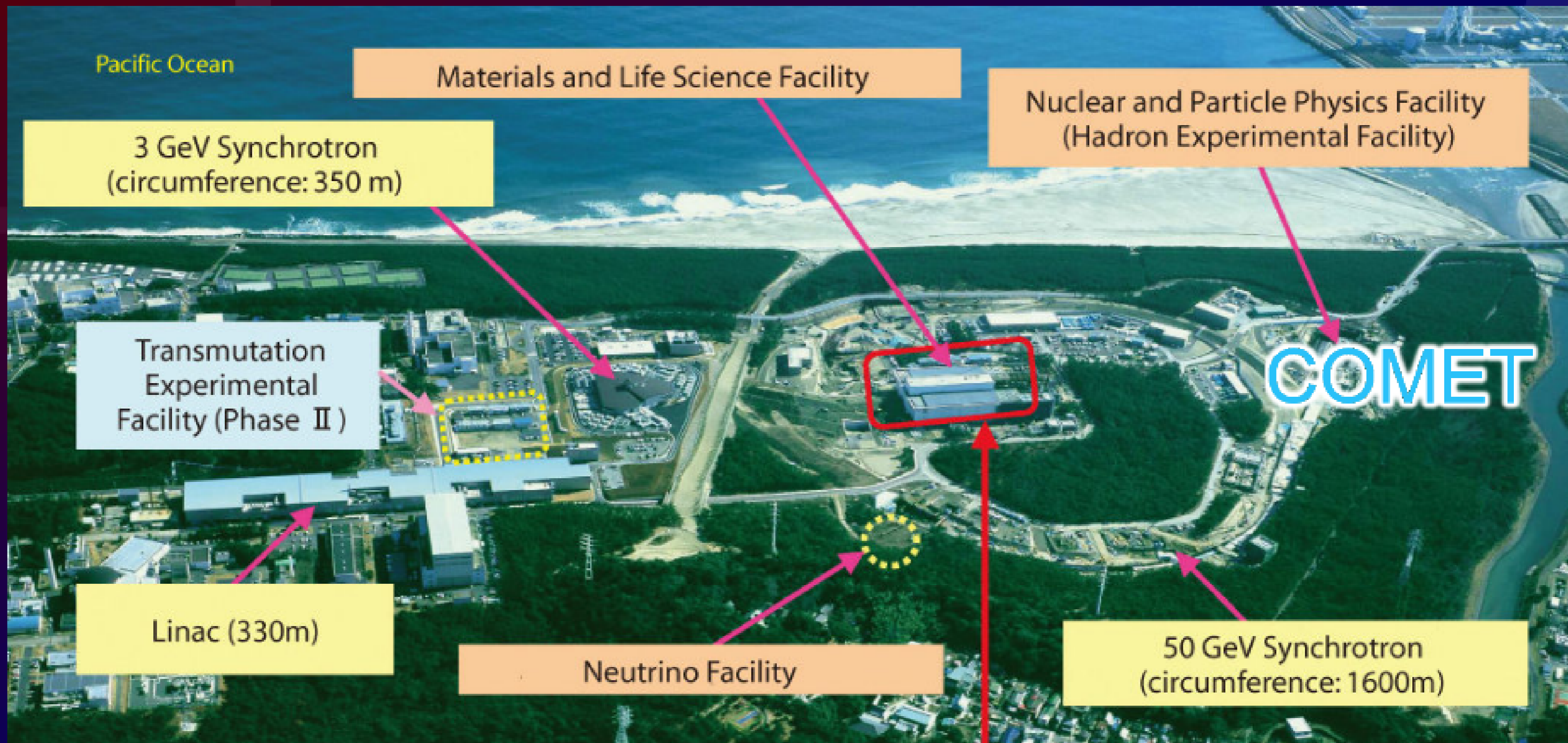
# Pion Production Target and Superconducting Pion Capture Solenoid



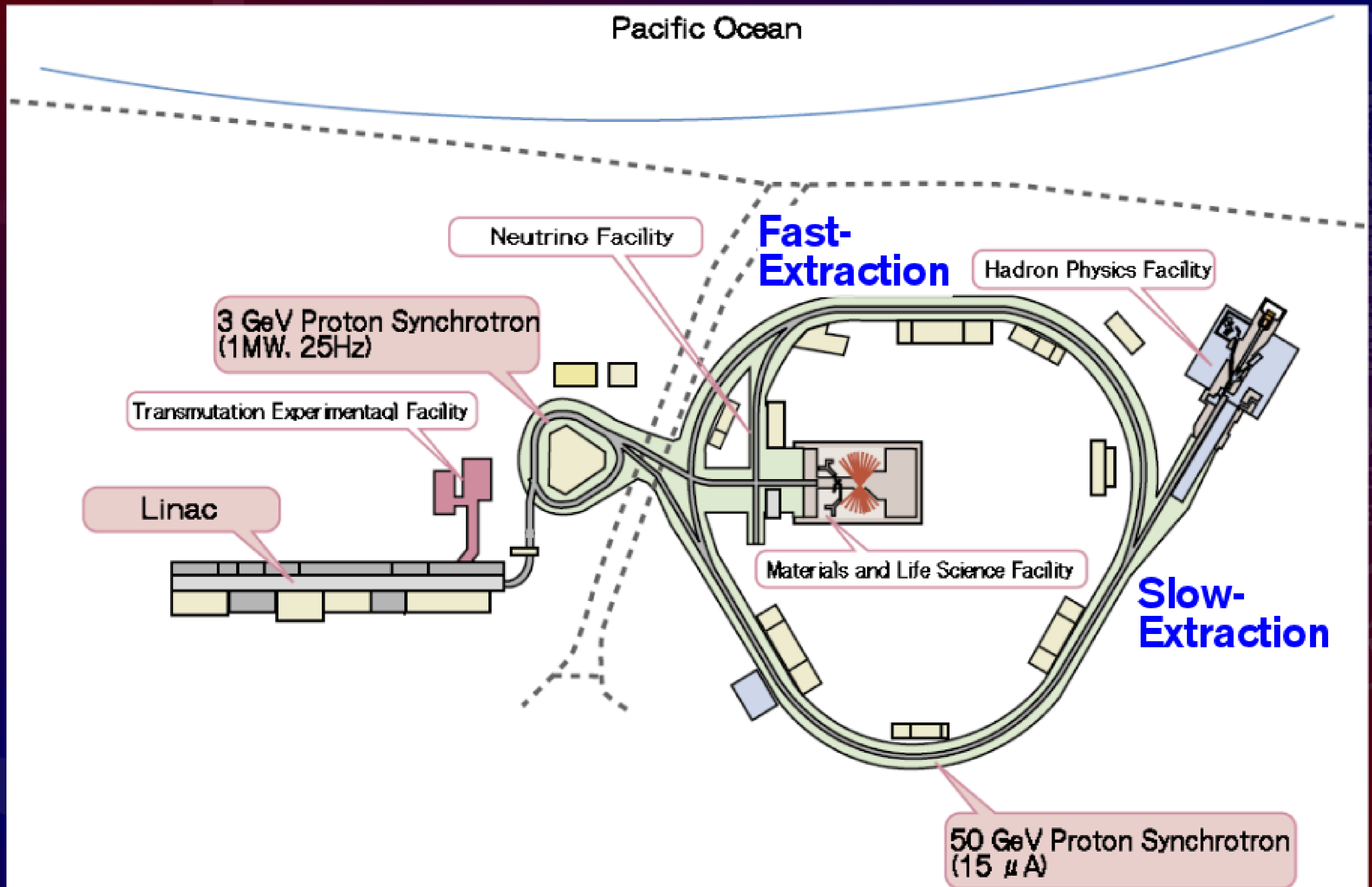
Detector section for  
signal electrons



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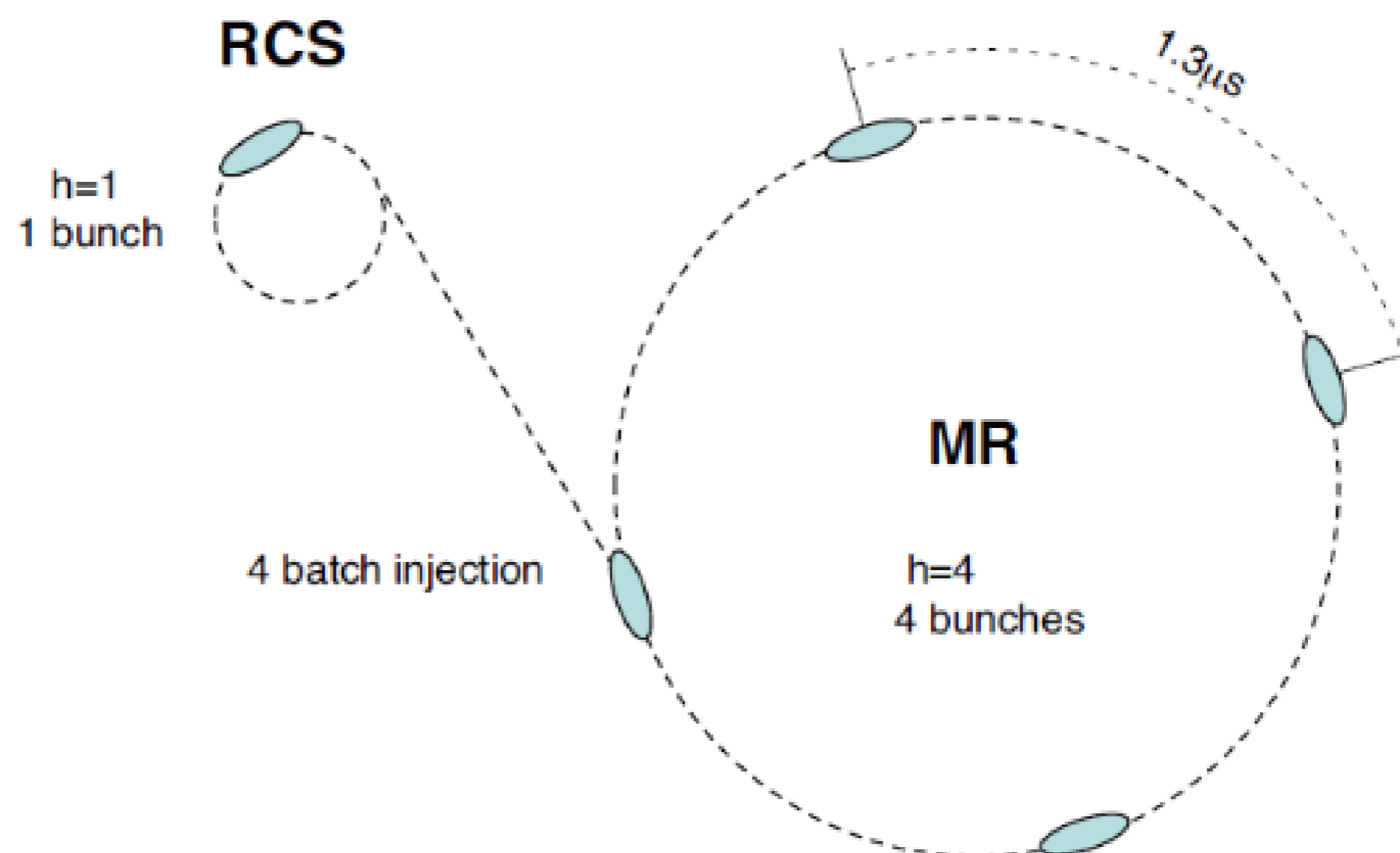
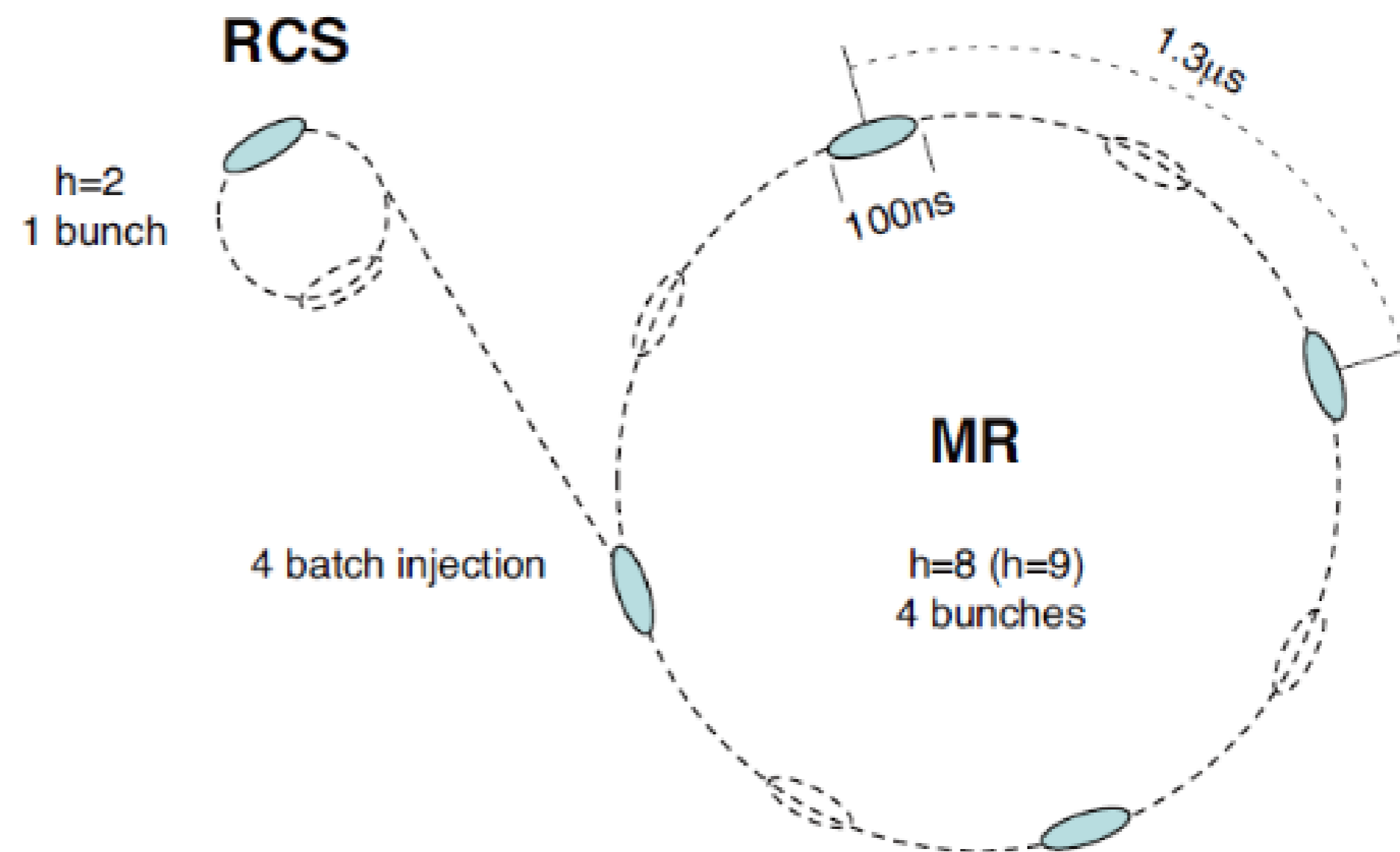


# J-PARC





# Possible Acceleration Schemes



T2K operates at  $h=9$ ,  
with 8 bunches filled

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# R&D Status



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# Beam Extinction

- Very high beam extinction performance necessary between proton pulses
- $10^{-9}$  extinction needed
- Methods undergoing R&D
- Internal extinction
  - remove off-pulse protons during circulation
- External extinction
  - AC dipole on proton beamline to experiment
  - joint Mu2E / COMET R&D



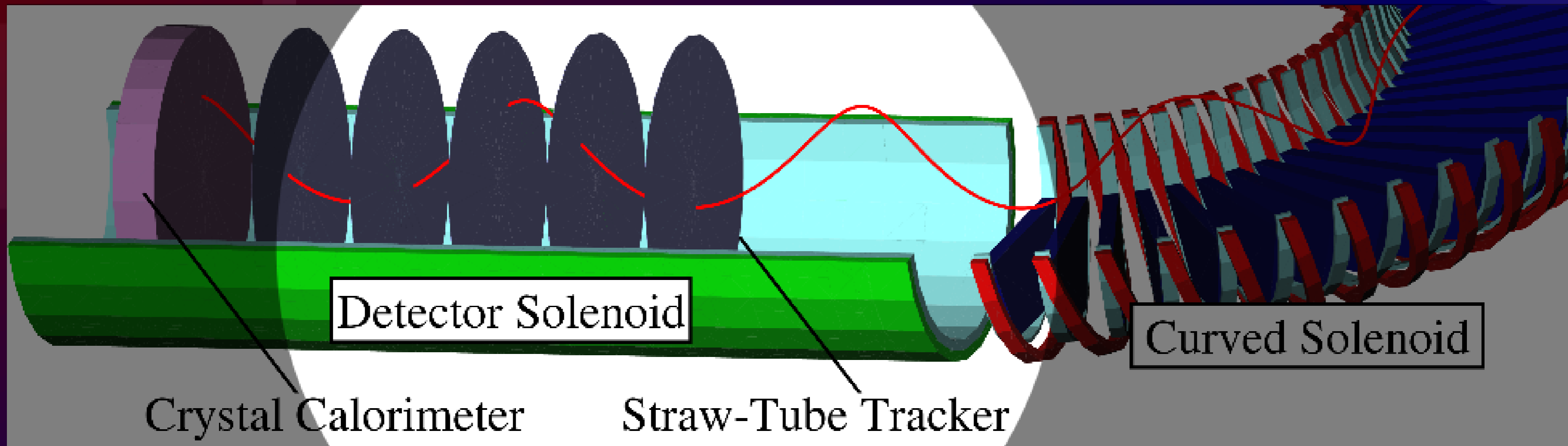
KEK & Osaka  
K. Yoshimura

Beam Monitor for Beam Extinction Tests and Measurements at J-PARC

(2010 preliminary result  $10^{-7} \Rightarrow$   
 $10^{-9}$  goal or better achievable with  
internal and external extinction)



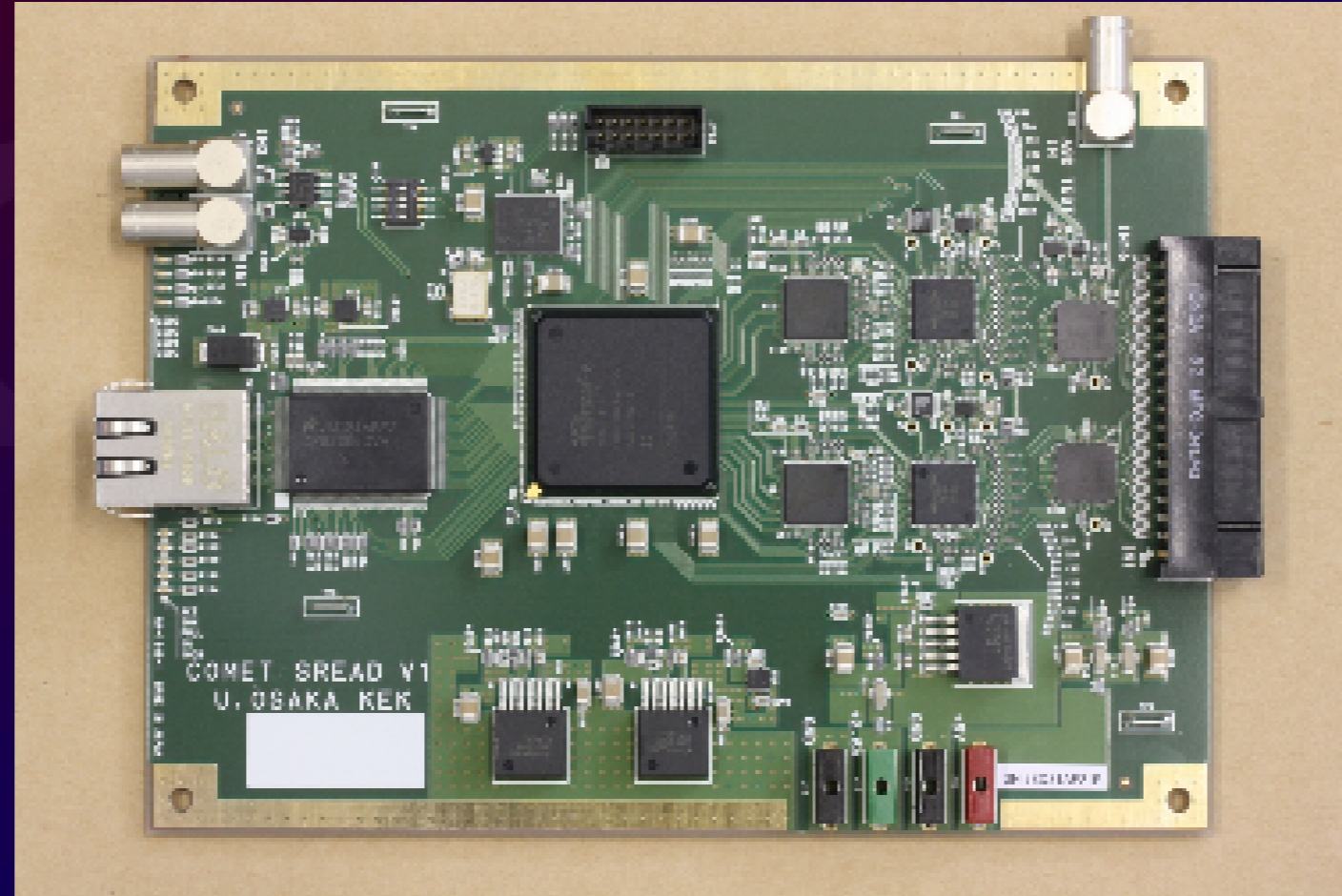
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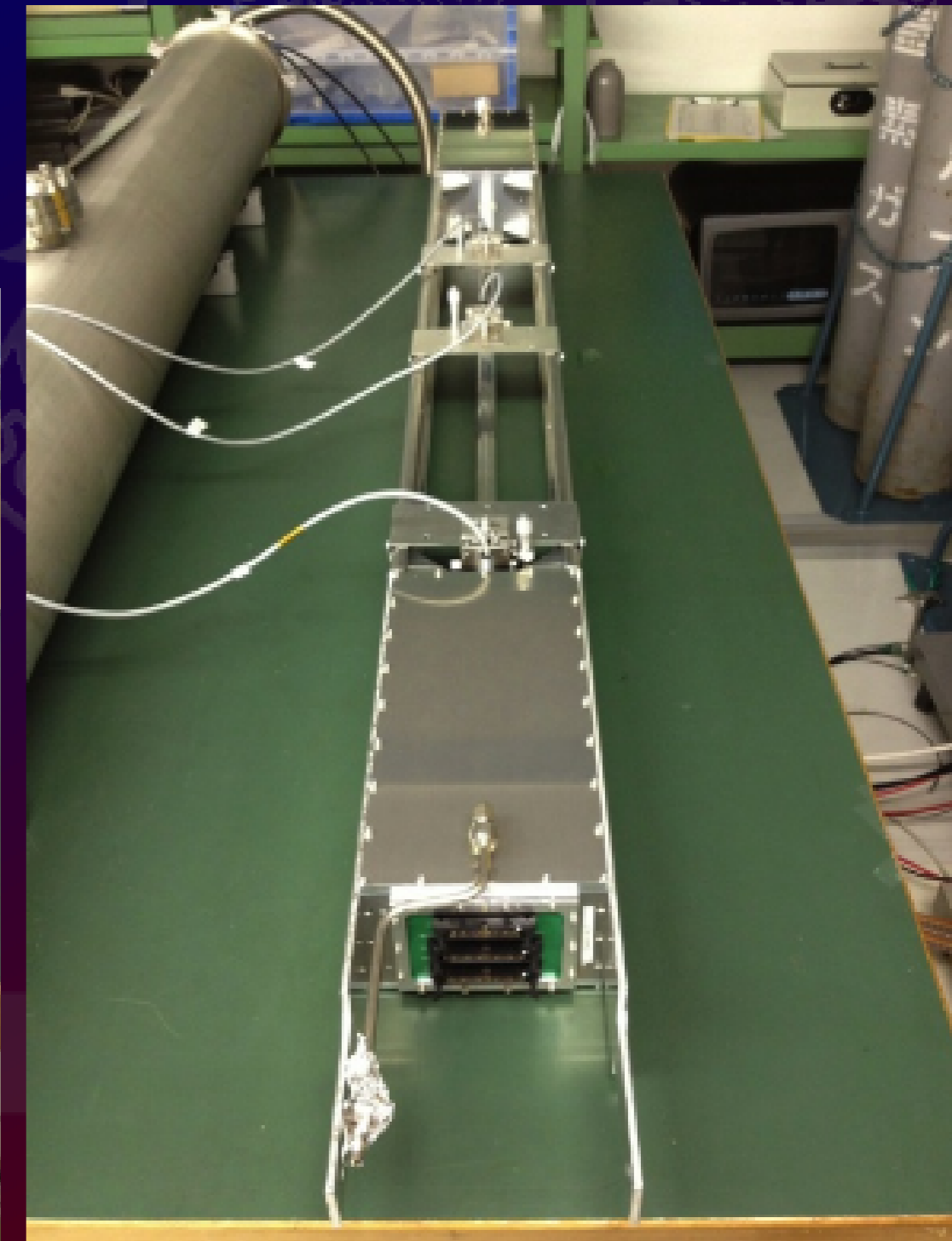
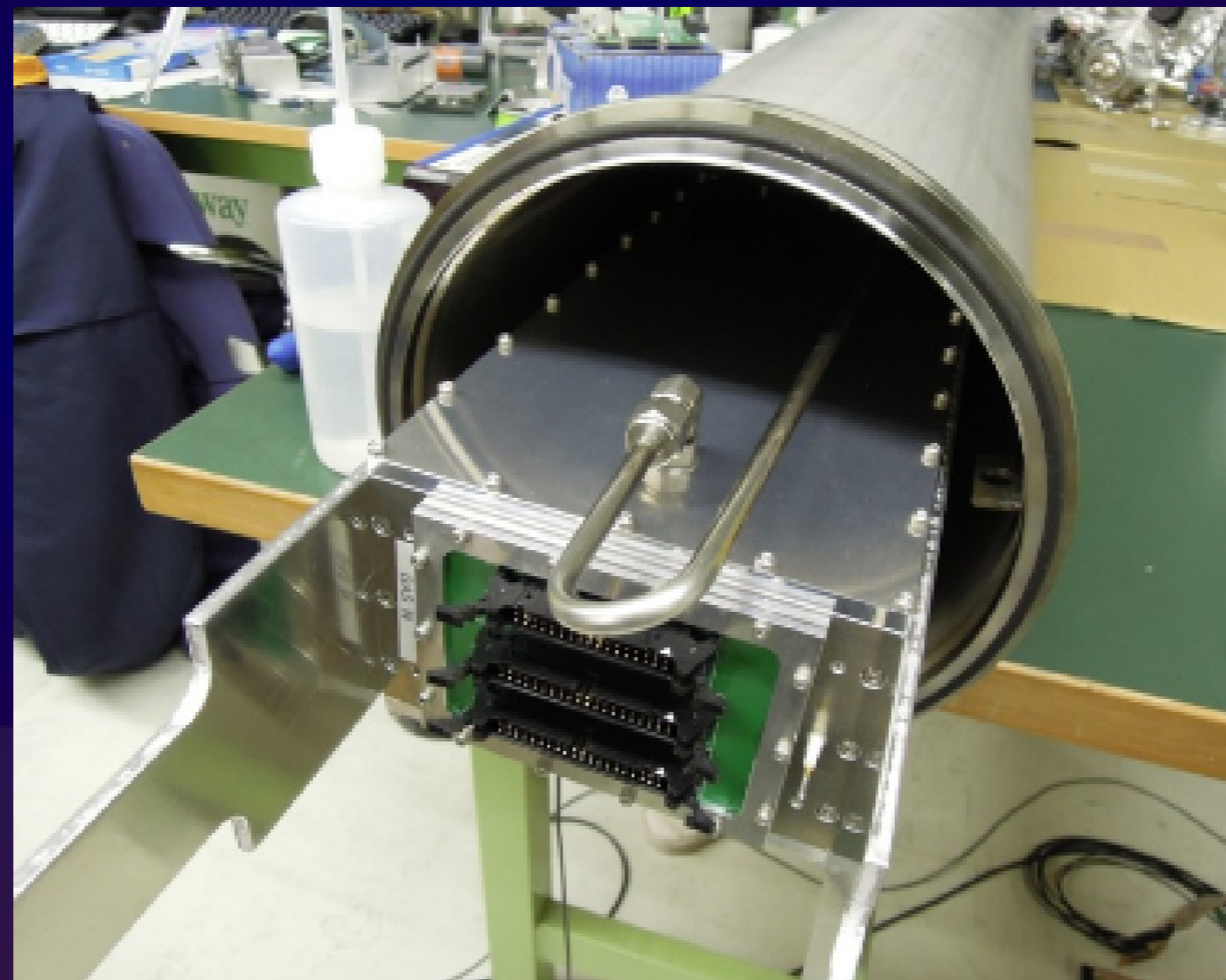
- Straw-tube electron tracker in 1 Tesla field
  - 800 kHz charged particle and 8 MHz gamma rates
  - 0.4% momentum and 700 micron spatial resolution required

# Straw Tube Tracker R&D

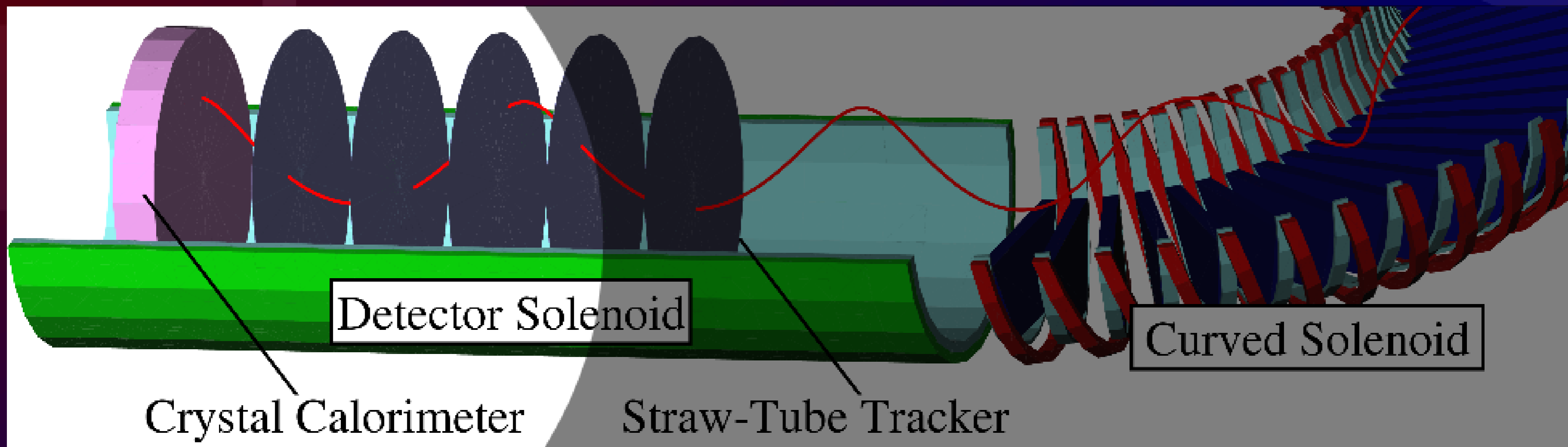
Prototype at KEK (7 straw tubes)



Front-end electronics R&D, leak, deformation, gain and timing tests



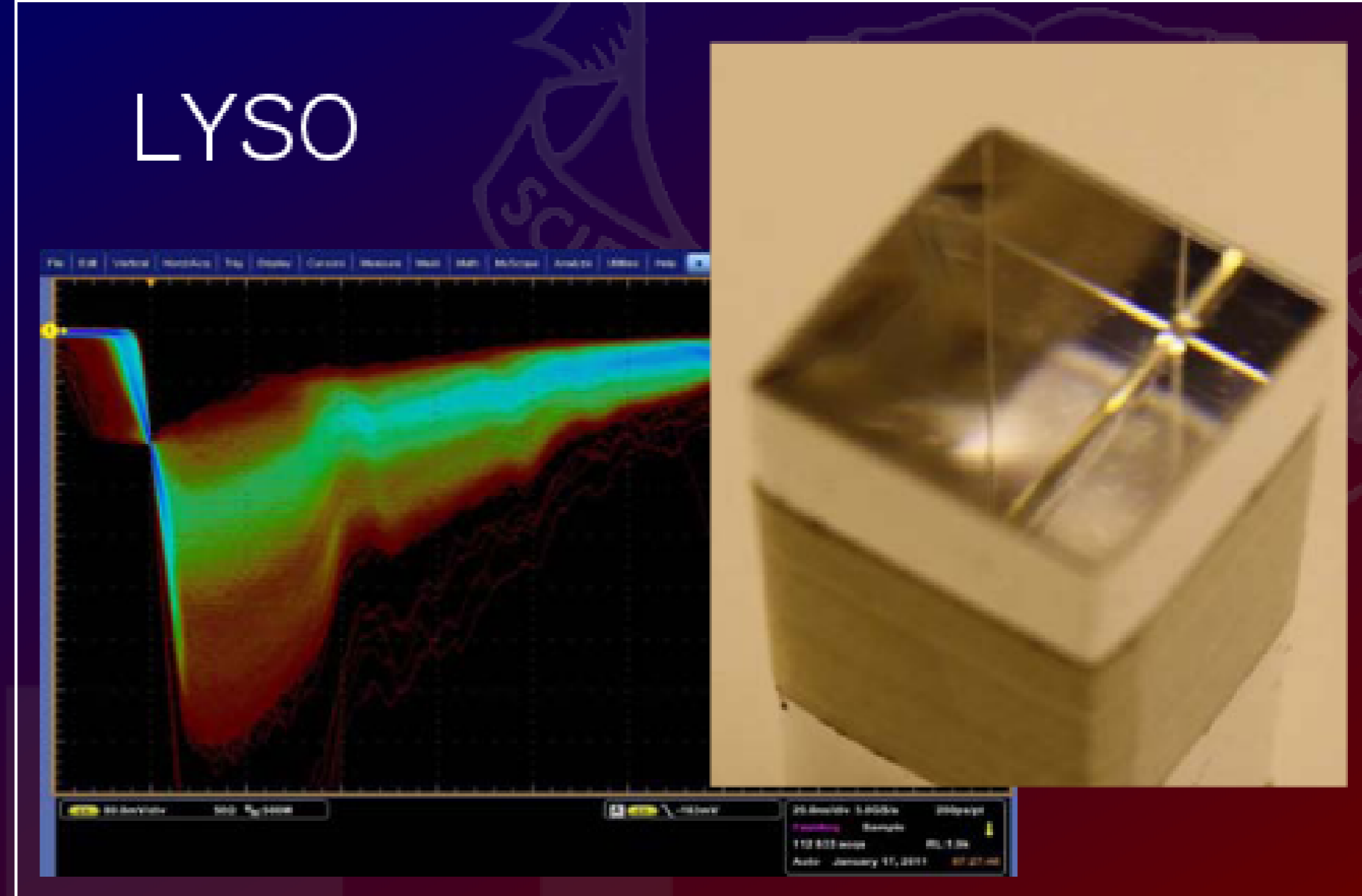
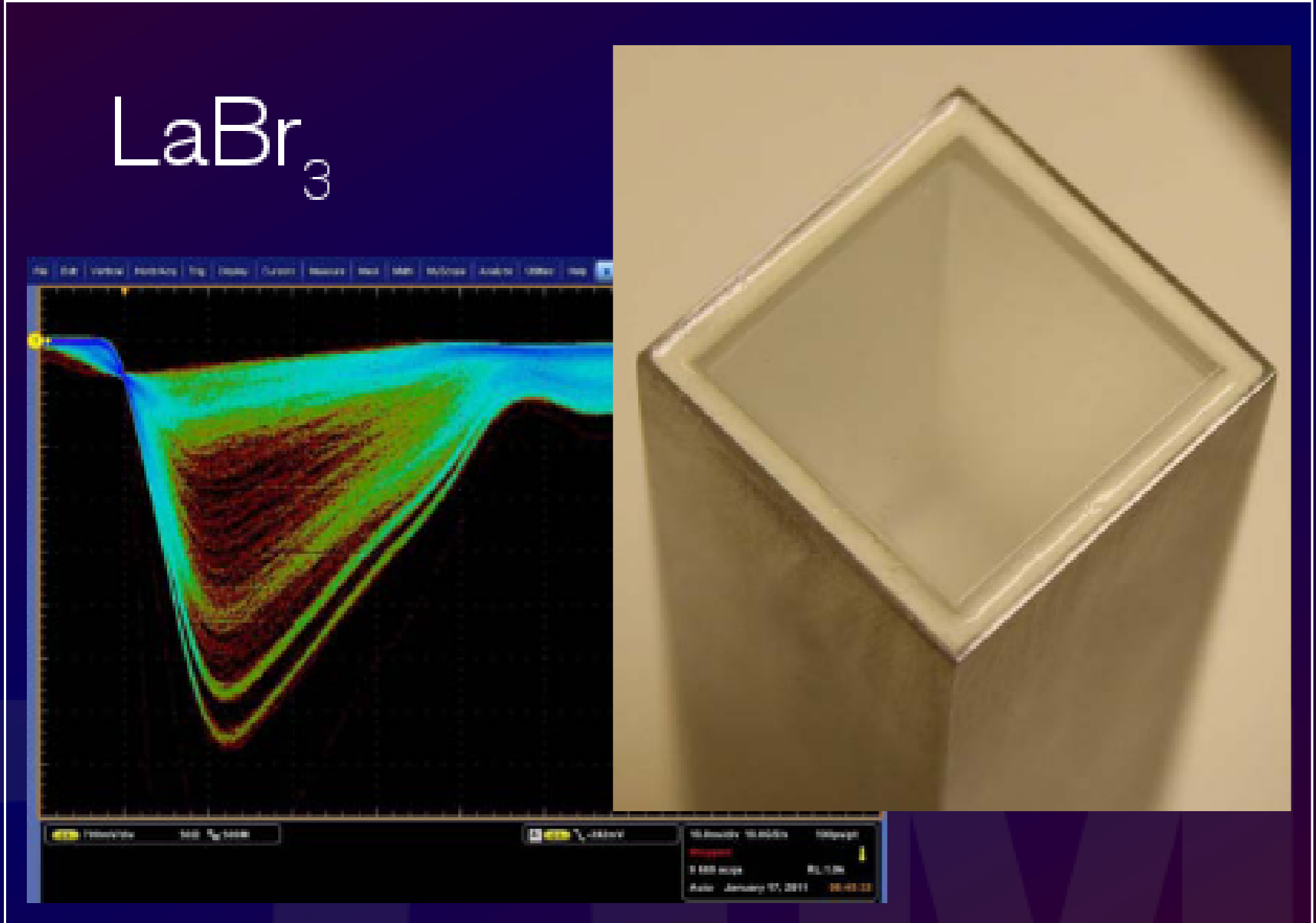
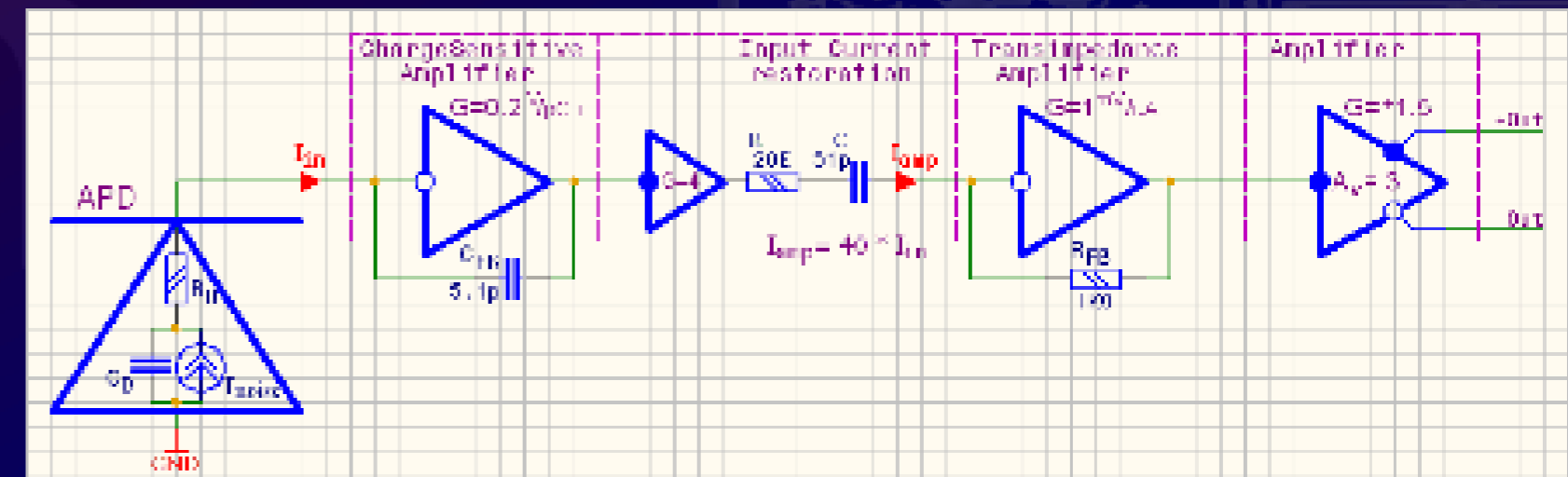
# COMET Detector Section



- Crystal calorimeter
  - for energy and position measurement, PID, trigger signal
  - 5% energy and 1 cm spatial resolution at 100 MeV

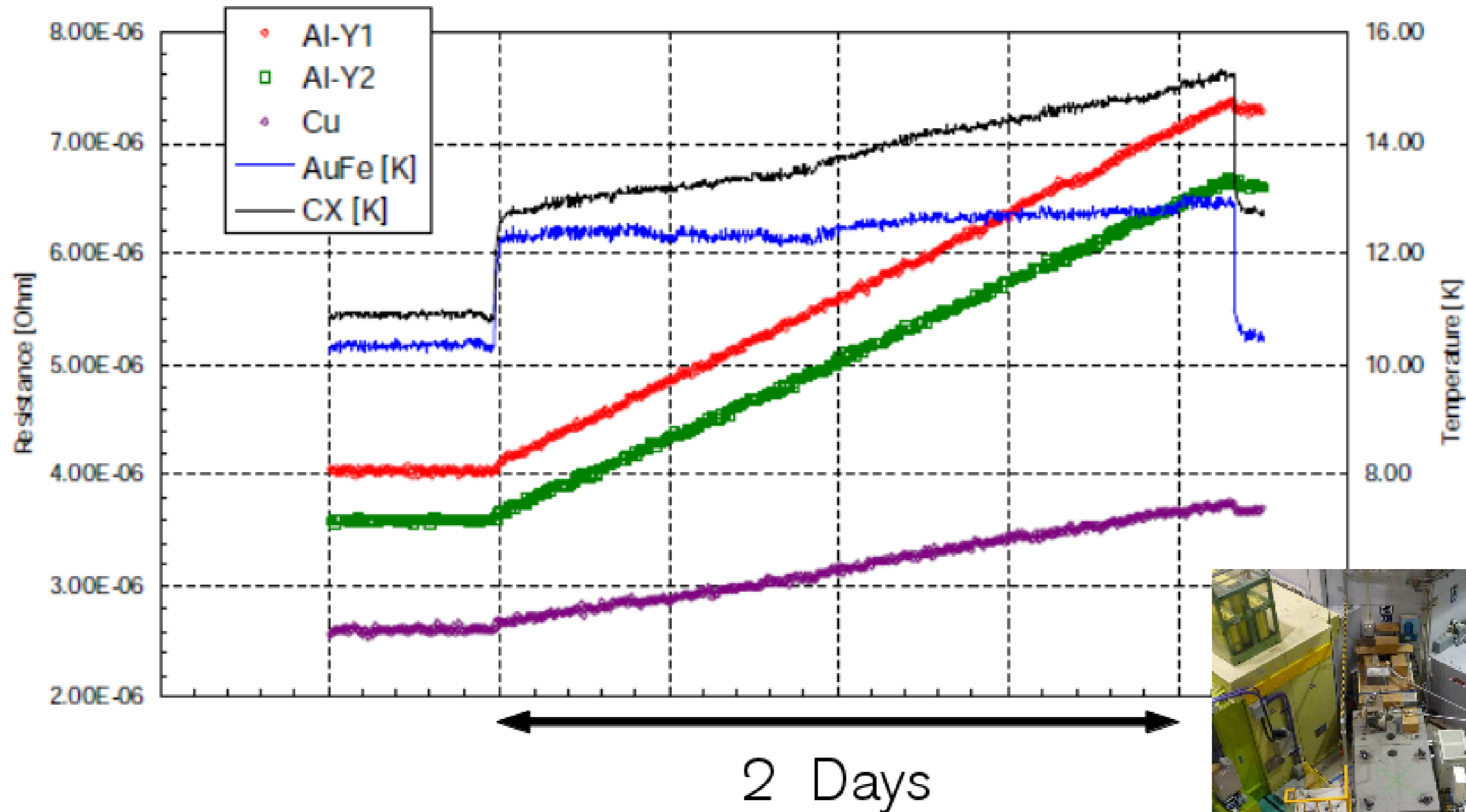
# Calorimeter R&D

- GSO / LYSO crystals with APDs tested 2011
- Vertical slice tests this year
- Design being finalised for 50-crystal / APD prototype
- beam tests later this year at BINP Novosibirsk

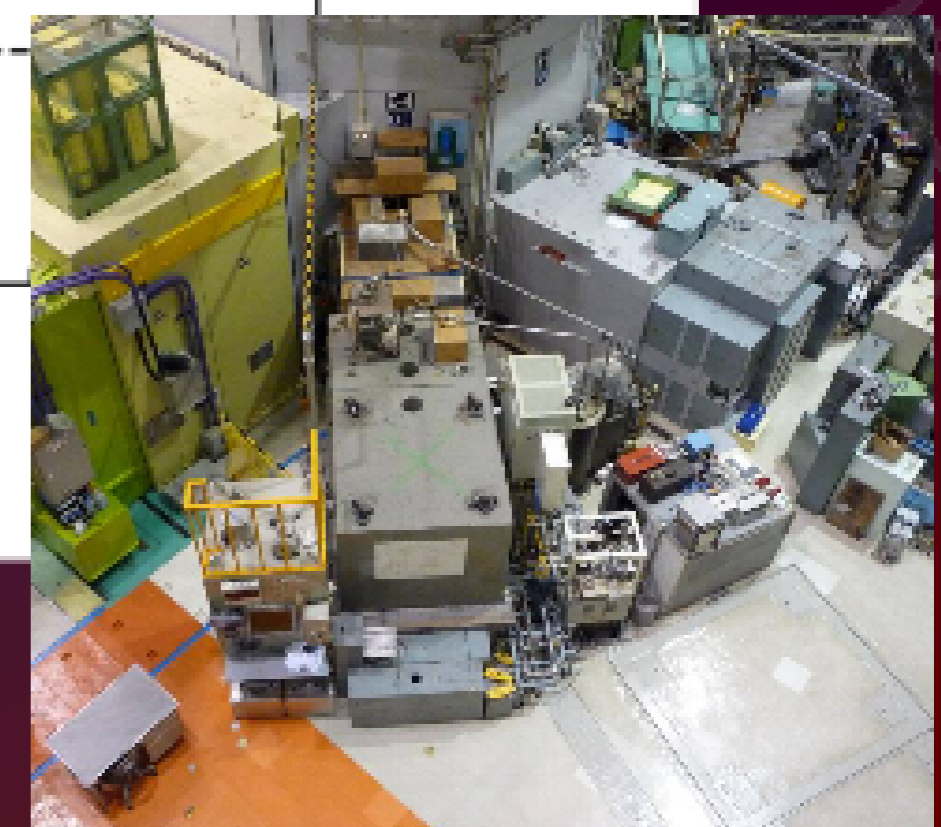


# Superconducting Solenoid R&D

Neutron irradiation tests performed at KURRI reactor, Kyoto University

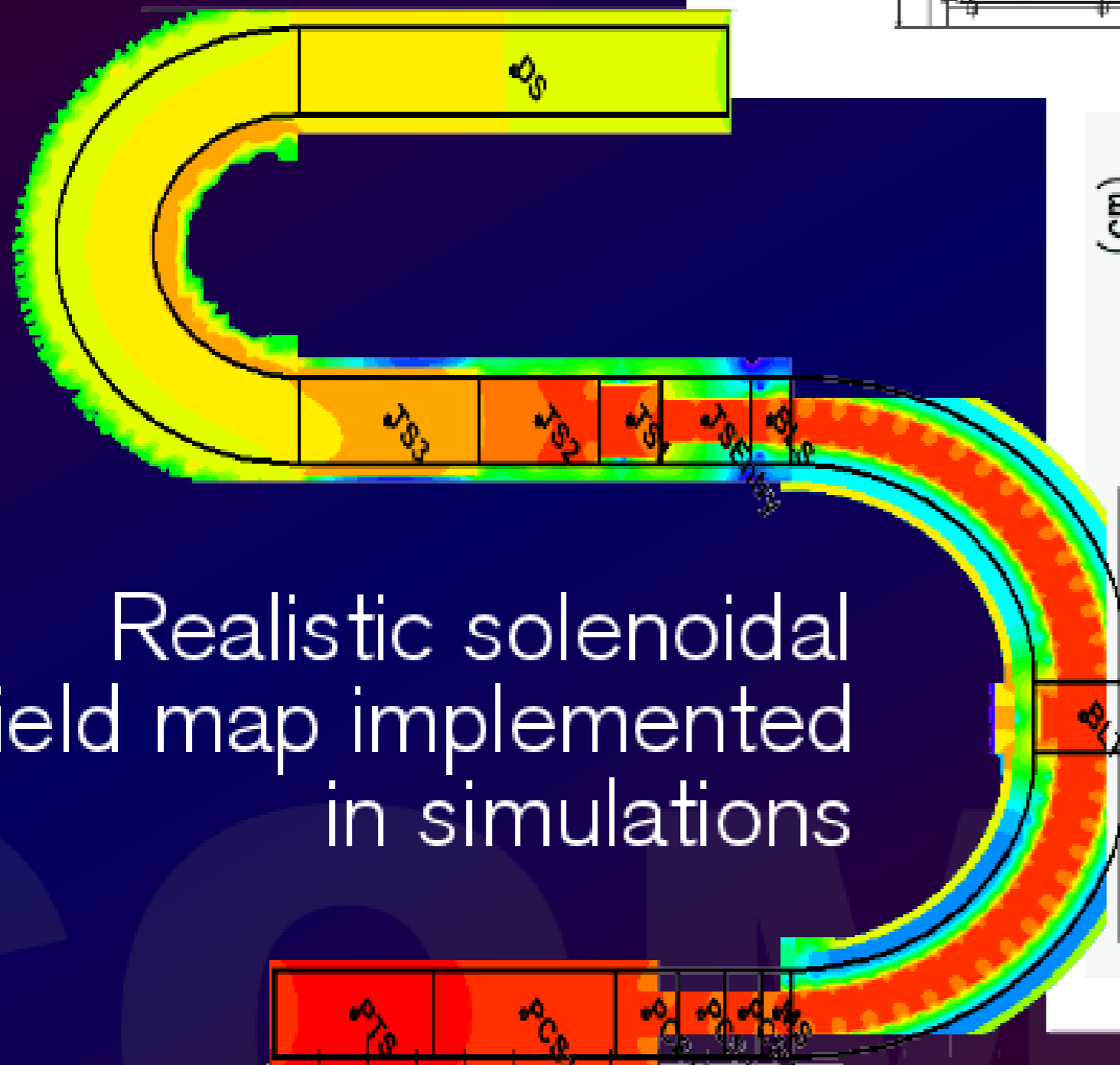
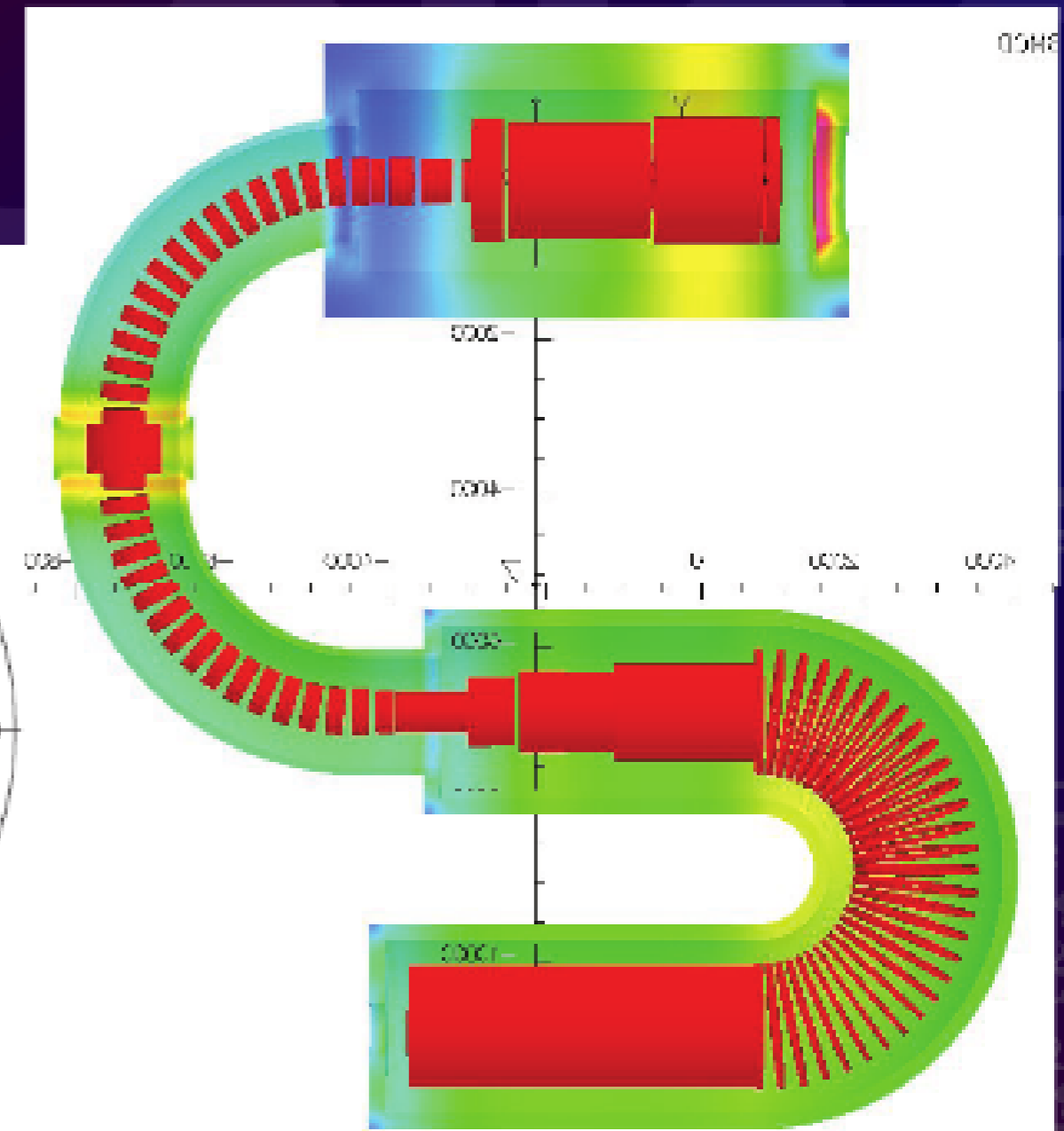
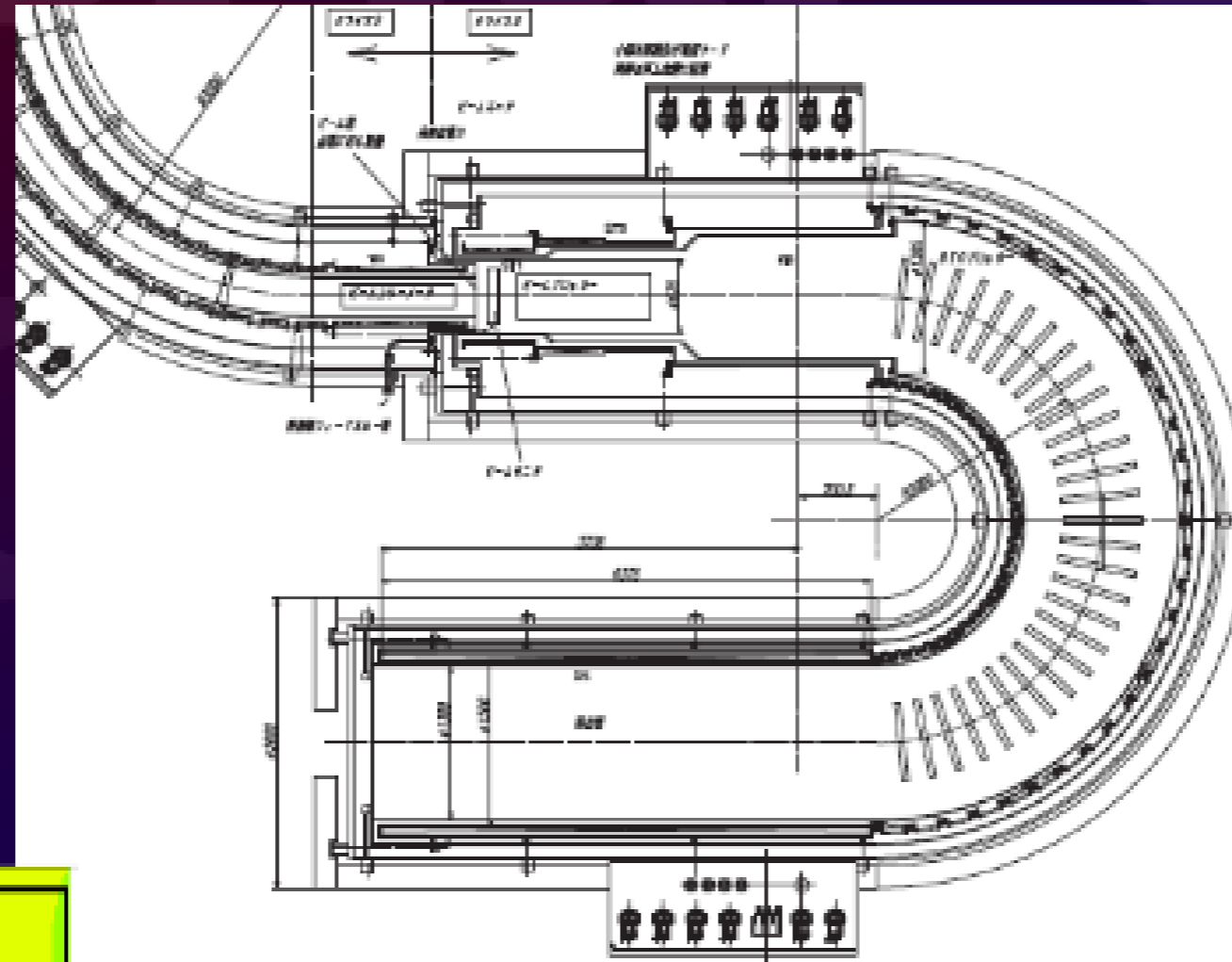


Demonstrated that Al stabiliser tolerates COMET radiation environment

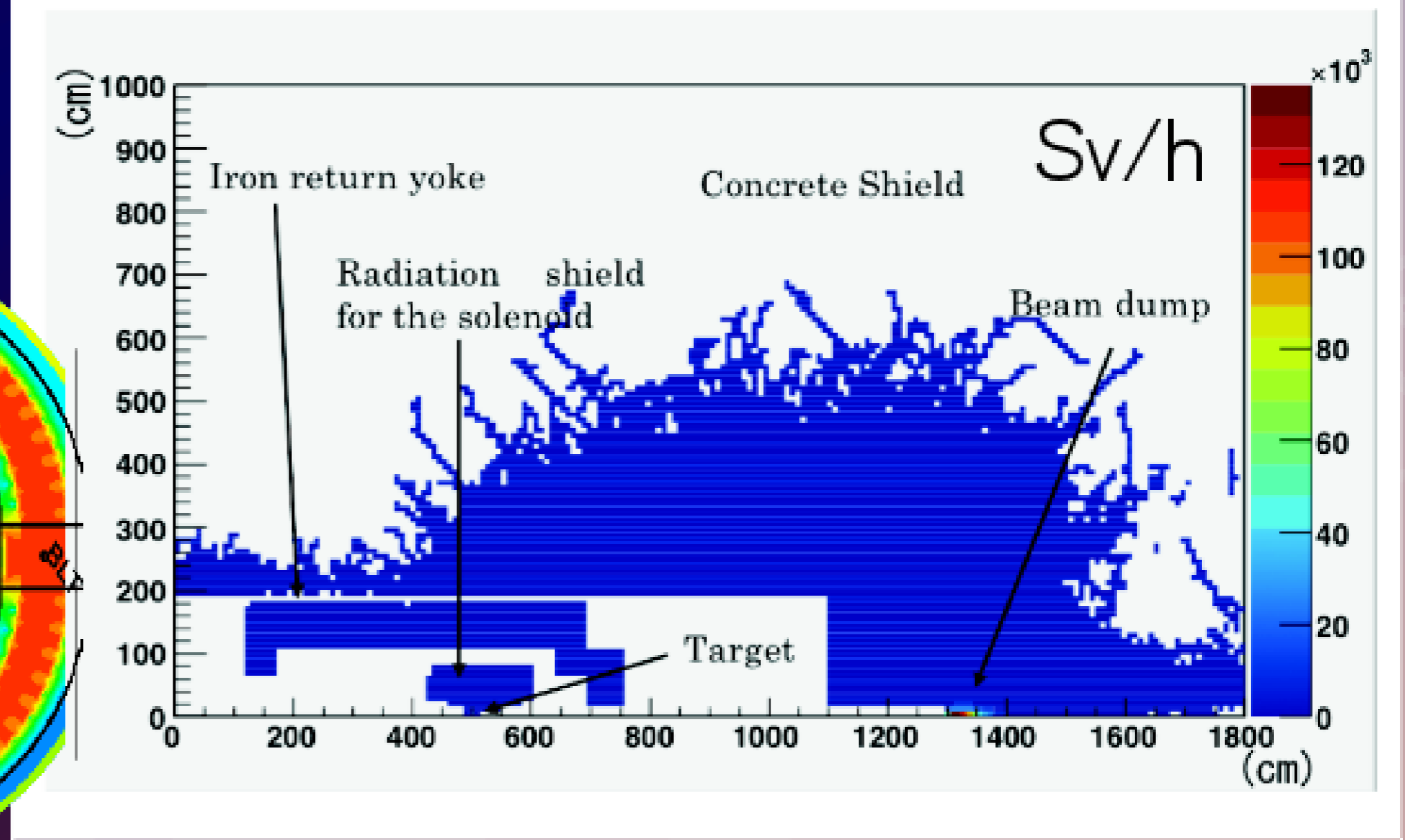


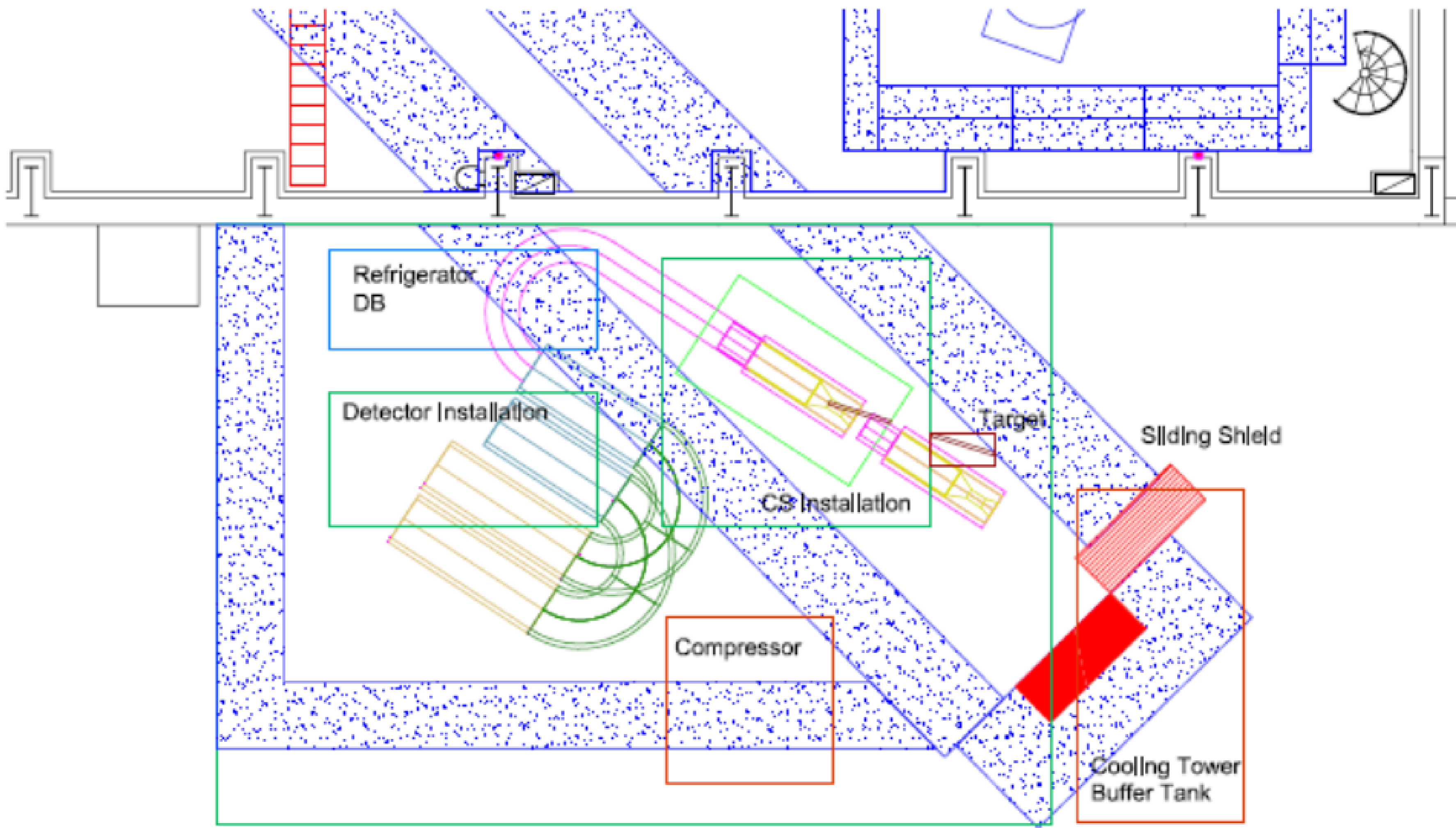


# Industrial Design Studies



Realistic solenoidal field map implemented in simulations





CDR submitted to  
J-PARC PAC in June 2009

**Stage-1 Approval (of two  
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as a potential flagship  
experiment at J-PARC

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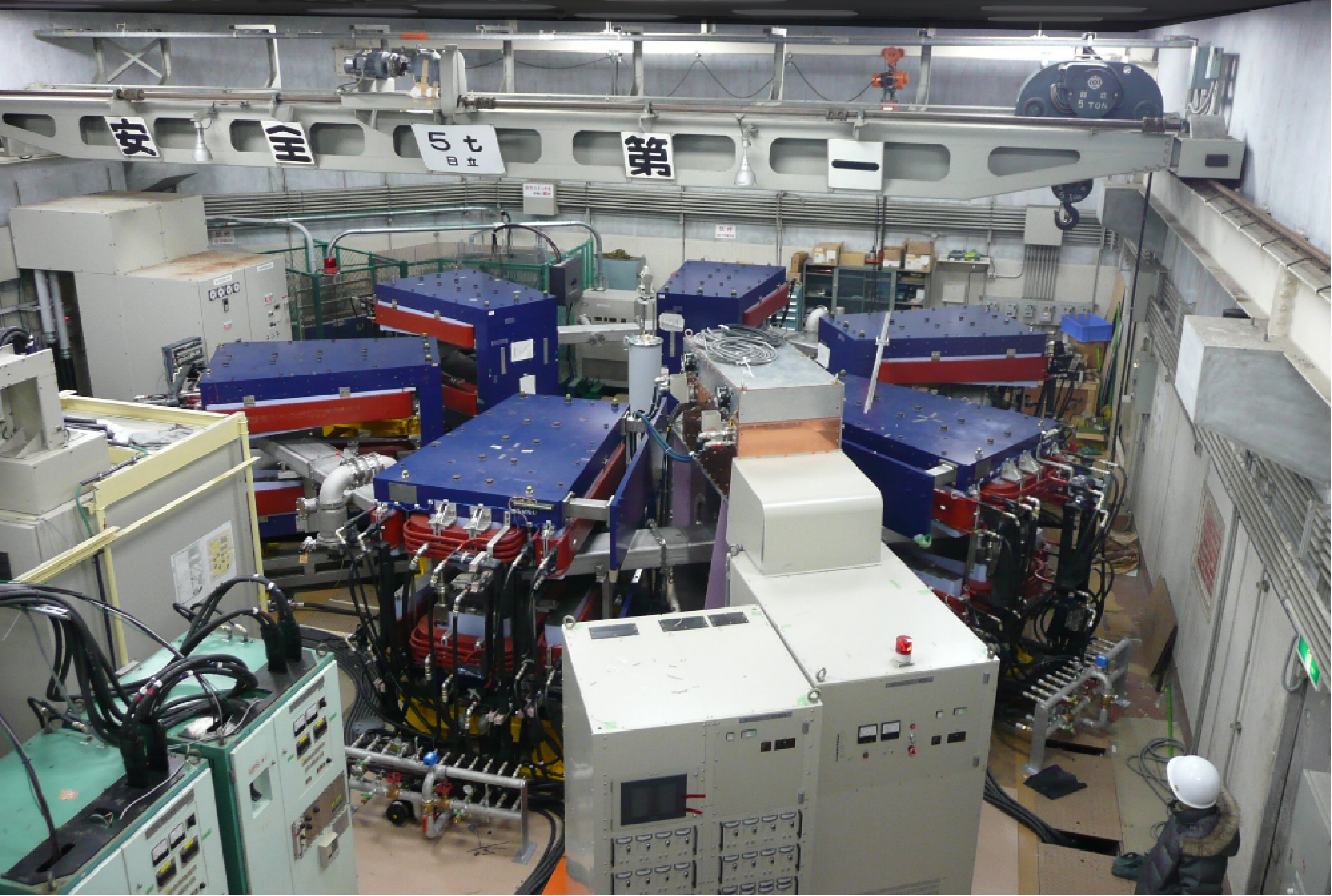
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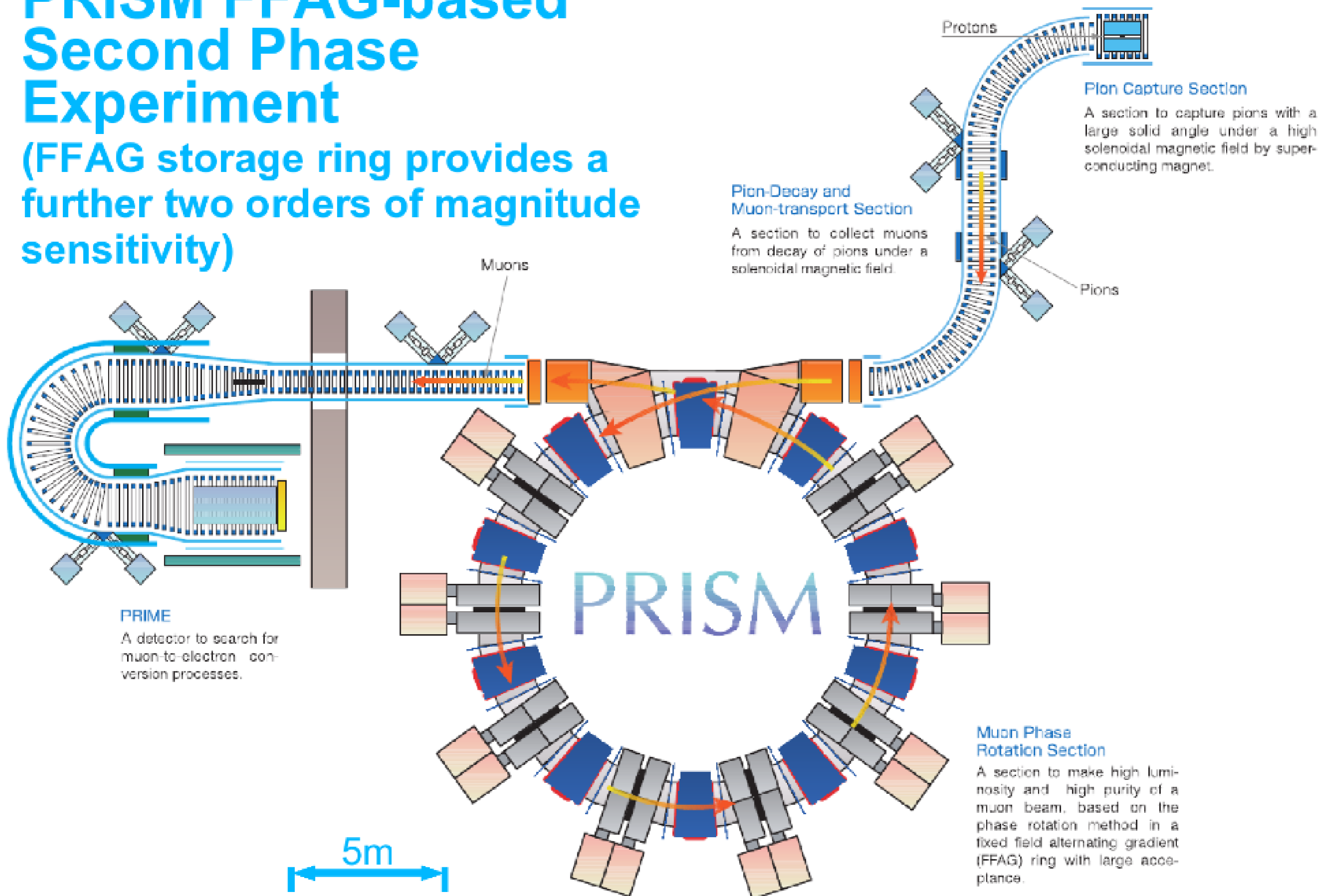
# The PRISM FFAG Ring for Muon-to-Electron Conversion

Prototype ring at  
Osaka University



# PRISM FFAG-based Second Phase Experiment

(FFAG storage ring provides a  
further two orders of magnitude  
sensitivity)



# PRISM/FFAG

## Muon Storage Ring

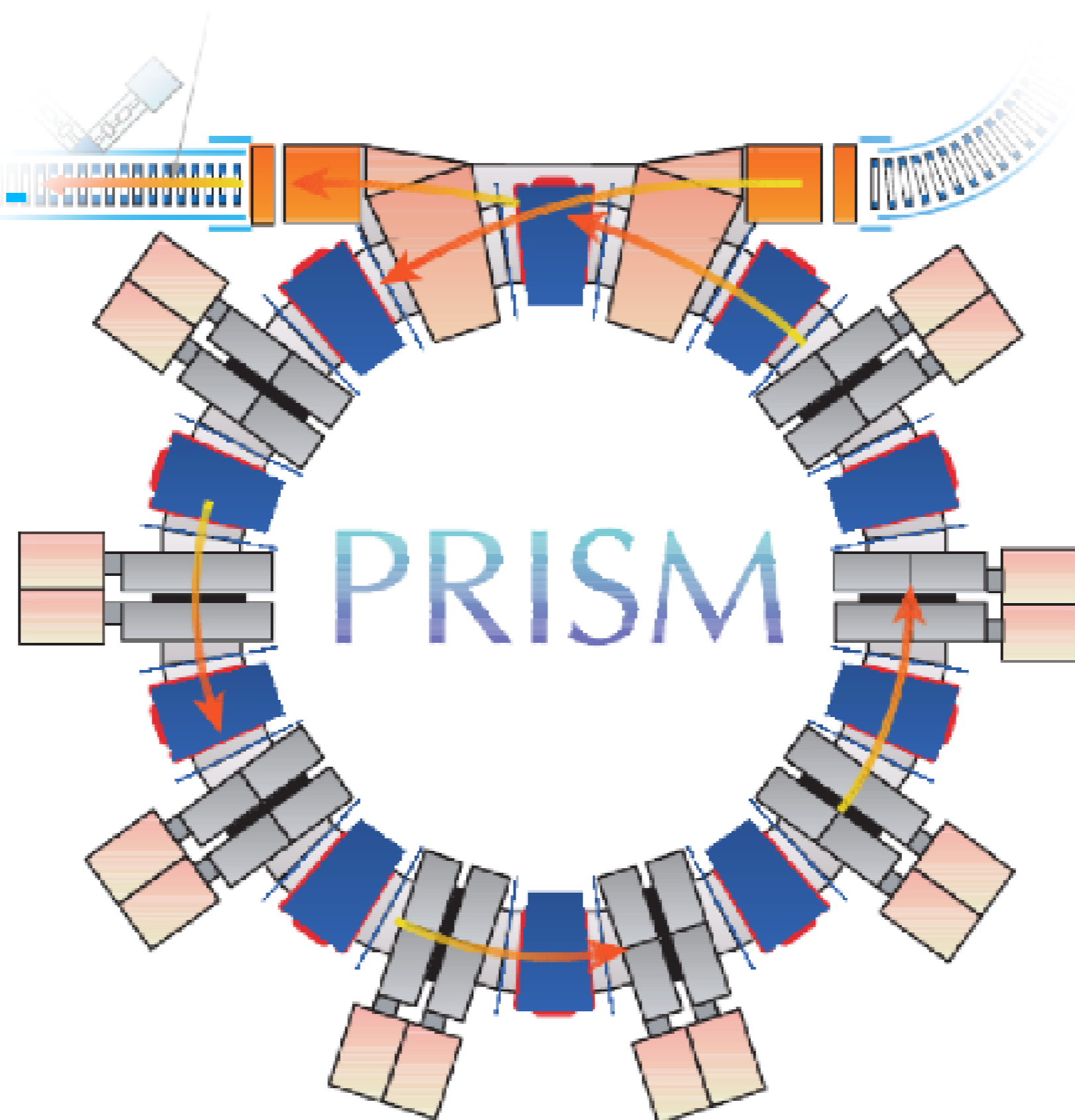
- high acceptance

H: 40000 mm mrad

V: 6500 mm mrad

- phase-rotation produces mono-energetic beam

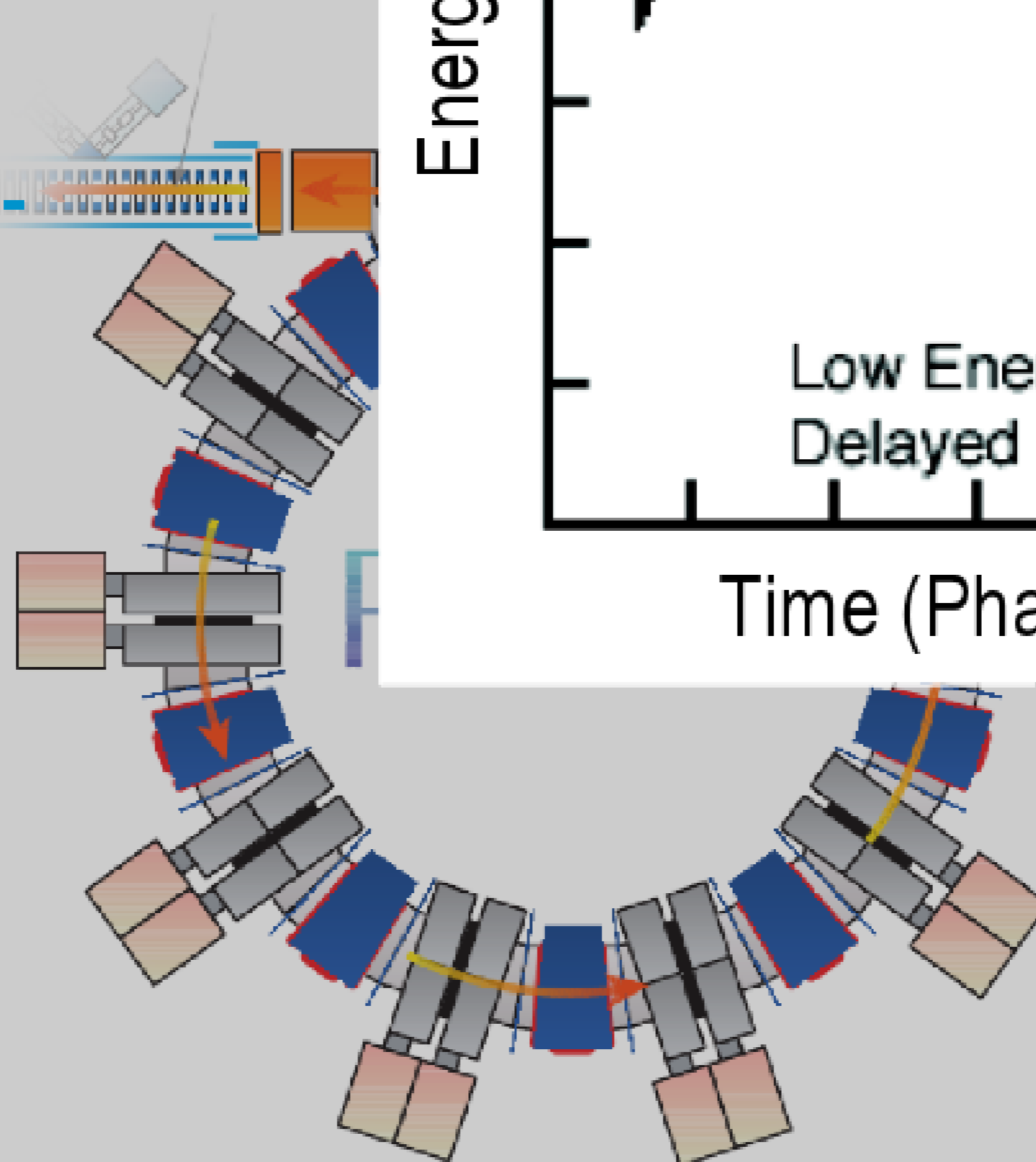
- 8 turns gives a 150m path length



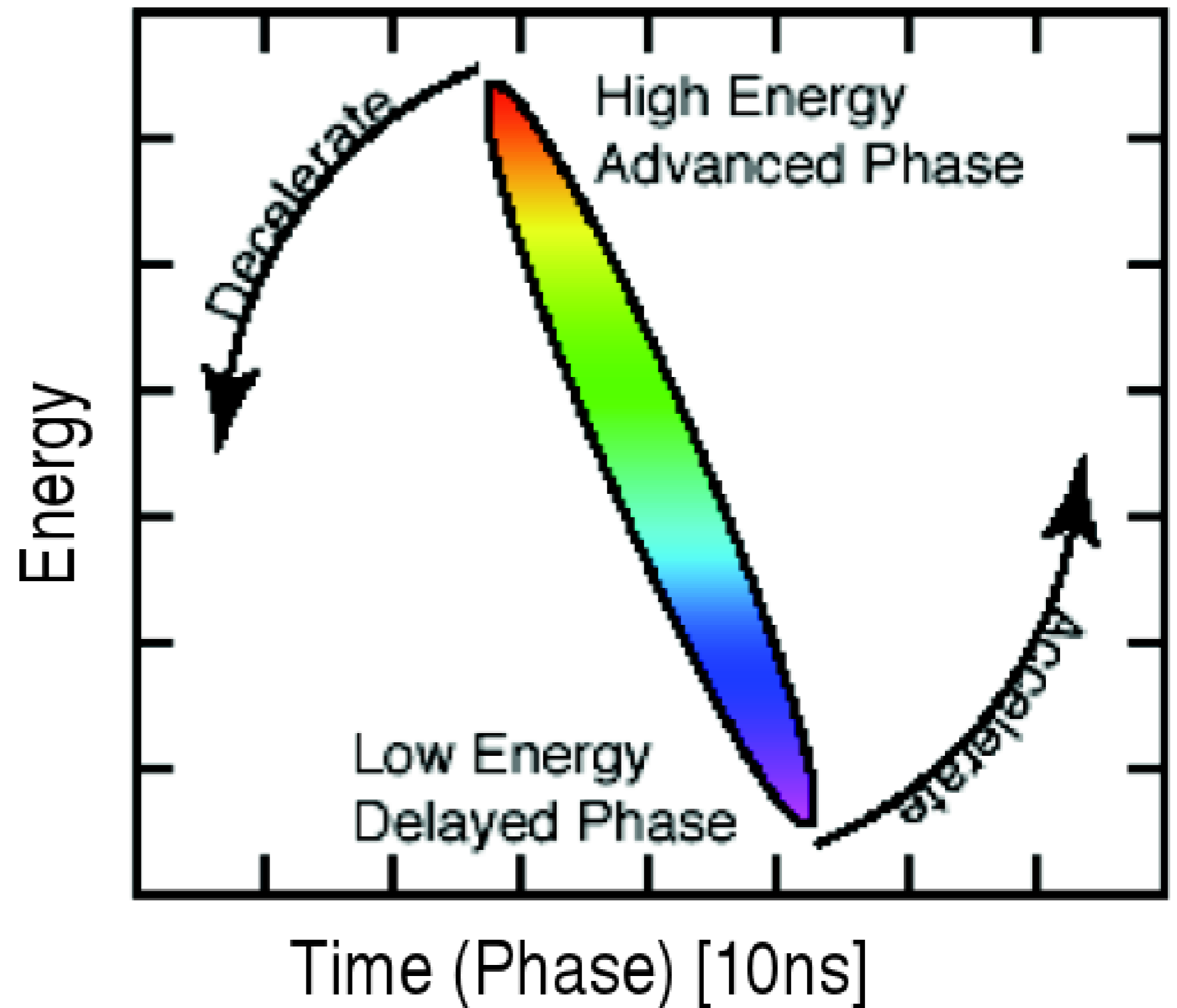
# PRISM/FFAG

## Muon Storage Ring

- high acceptance  
H: 40000 mm mrad  
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## Phase rotation



# PRISM/FFAG Muon Storage Ring

- high acceptance

H: 40000 mm mrad

V: 6500 mm mrad

- phase-rotation produces mono-energetic beam

- 8 turns gives a 150m path length

Benefits:

- narrow momentum spread allows for thinner, optimised stopping target

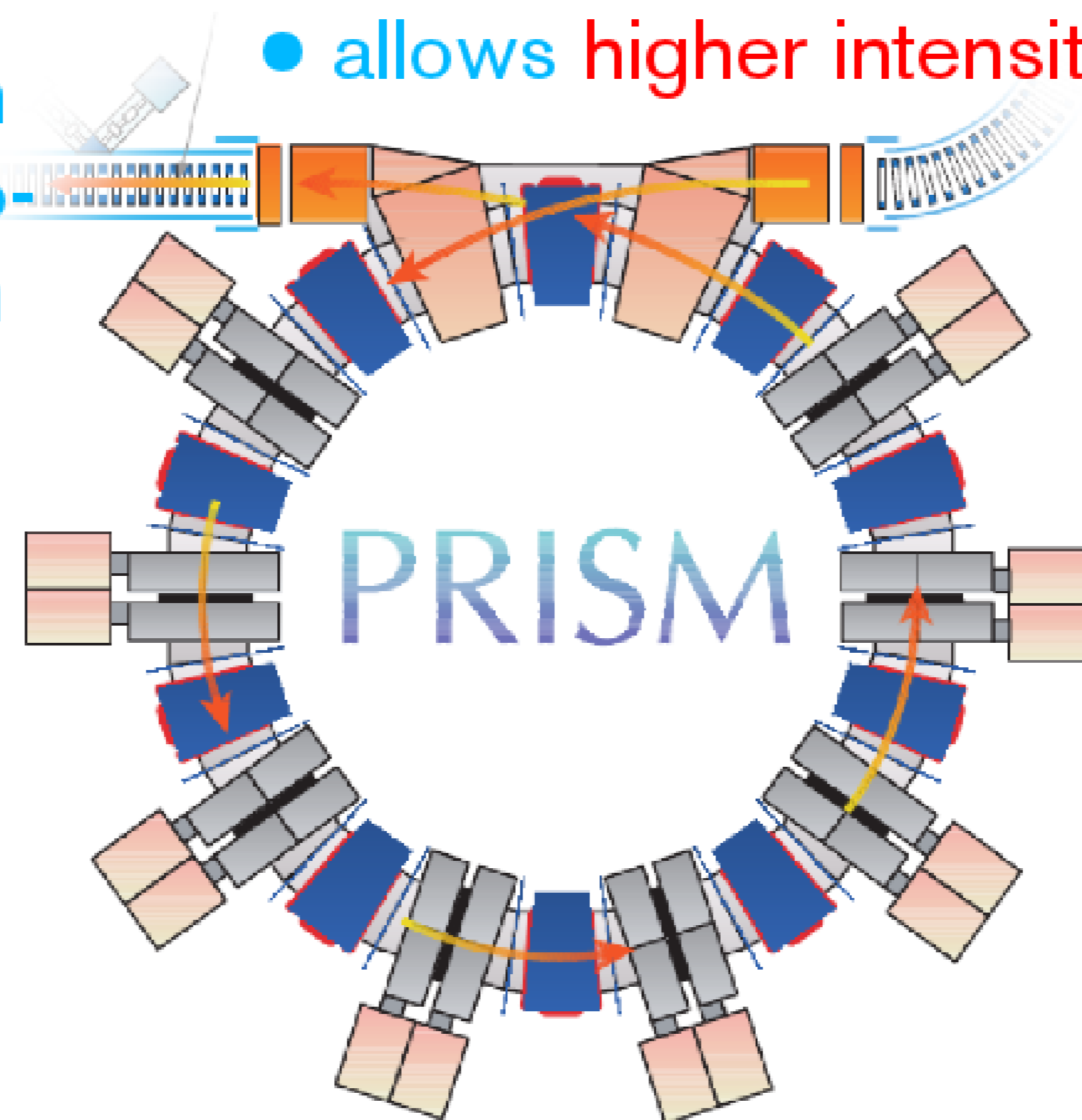
long path length makes residual pions negligible ( $<10^{-20}$ )

- muon beam inter-bucket extinction

- allows higher intensity running

- lower duty cycle to reduce cosmic backgrounds

- stopping target materials with larger  $Z$



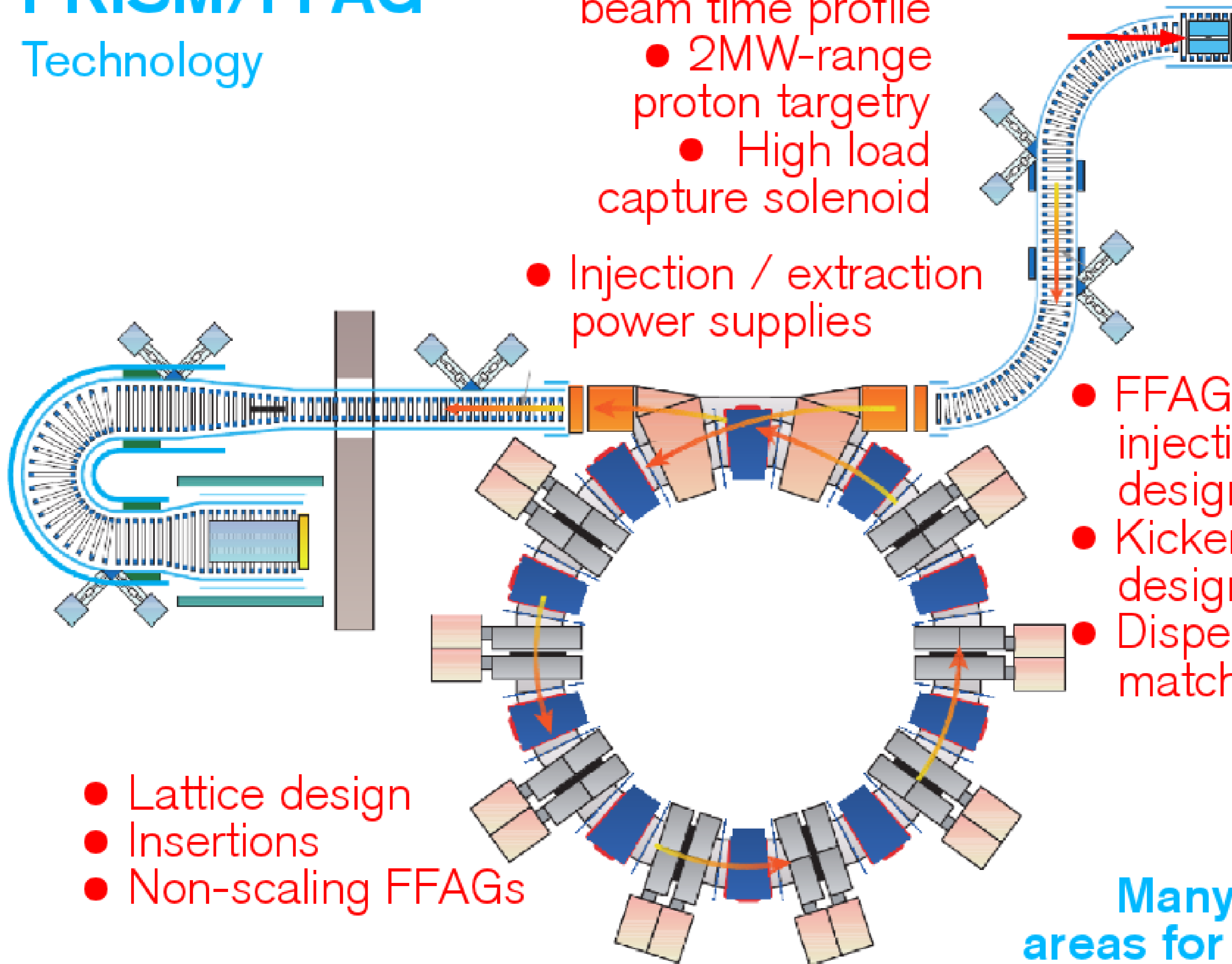
# PRISM/FFAG Technology

- 10 ns proton beam time profile
- 2MW-range proton targetry
- High load capture solenoid

- Injection / extraction power supplies

- FFAG beam injection design
- Kicker magnet design
- Dispersion matching

- Lattice design
- Insertions
- Non-scaling FFAGs



Many strong  
areas for the UK

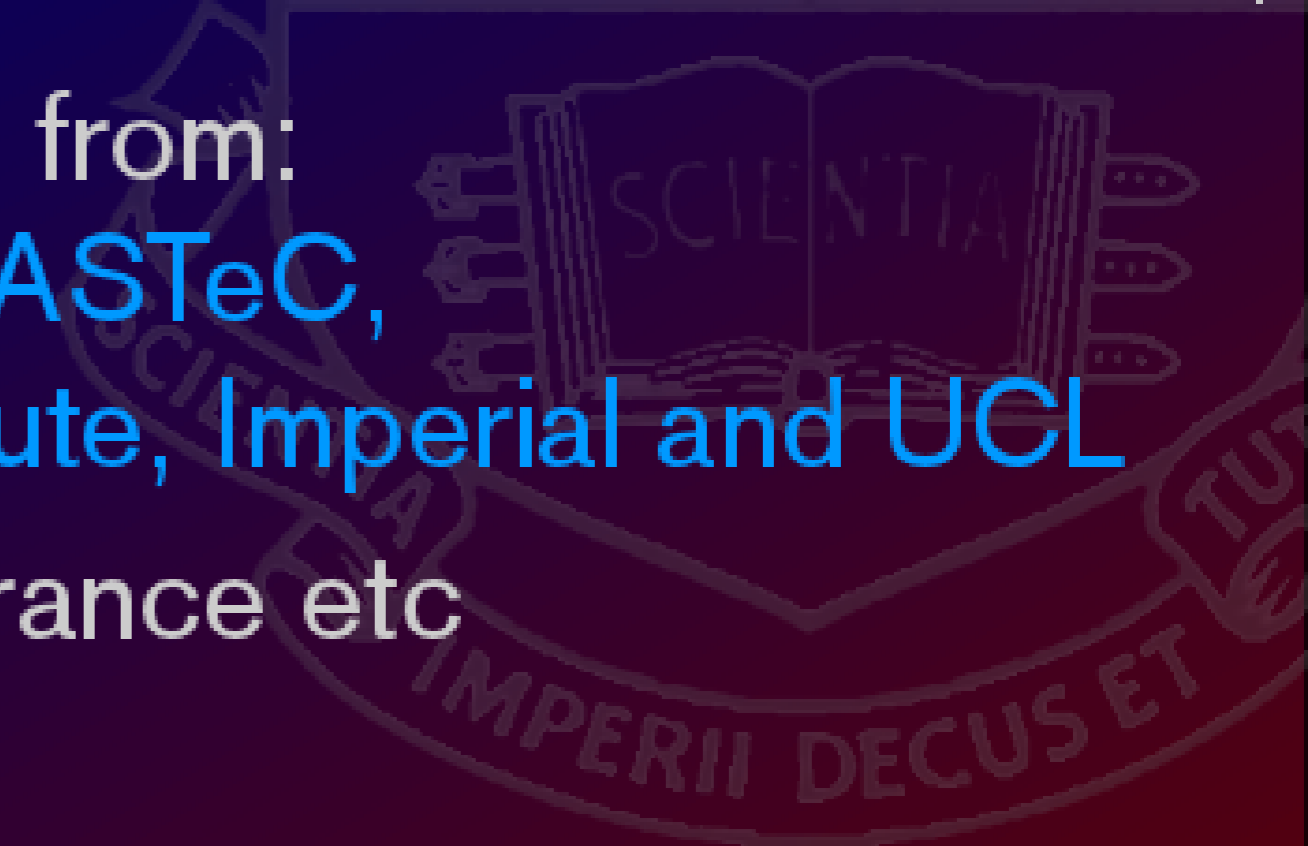


# PRISM Task Force

- Formed in 2009 to tackle outstanding issues
- Targetry, pion capture, superconducting solenoids
- FFAG ring design, injection and kicker design
- Potential for non-scaling FFAG use etc
- International membership with participants from:
  - UK: Currently RAL and Daresbury labs, ASTeC, Cockcroft Institute, the John Adams Institute, Imperial and UCL
  - Osaka, Kyoto, KEK & possibly the US, France etc
- Led by Jaroslaw Pasternak
- Report from Task Force could bring forward plans for PRISM
- Also being considered as option for muon beamline at Project-X (Fermilab)



Recent PRISM/FFAG Workshop





# ACCELERATOR AND PARTICLE PHYSICS RESEARCH FOR THE NEXT GENERATION MUON TO ELECTRON CONVERSION EXPERIMENT - THE PRISM TASK FORCE

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## Abstract

The next generation of lepton flavour violation experiments will use high intensity and high quality muon beams. Such beams can be produced by sending a short proton pulse to the pion production target, capturing pions and performing RF phase rotation on the resulting muon beam in an FFAG ring, which was proposed for the PRISM project. A PRISM task force was created to address the accelerator and detector issues that need to be solved in order to realise the PRISM experiment. The parameters of the initial proton beam required and the PRISM experiment are reviewed. Alternative designs of the PRISM FFAG ring are presented and compared with the reference design. The ring injection/extraction system, matching with the solenoid channel and progress on the ring's main hardware systems like RF and kicker magnet are discussed. The progress and future directions of the study are presented in this paper.

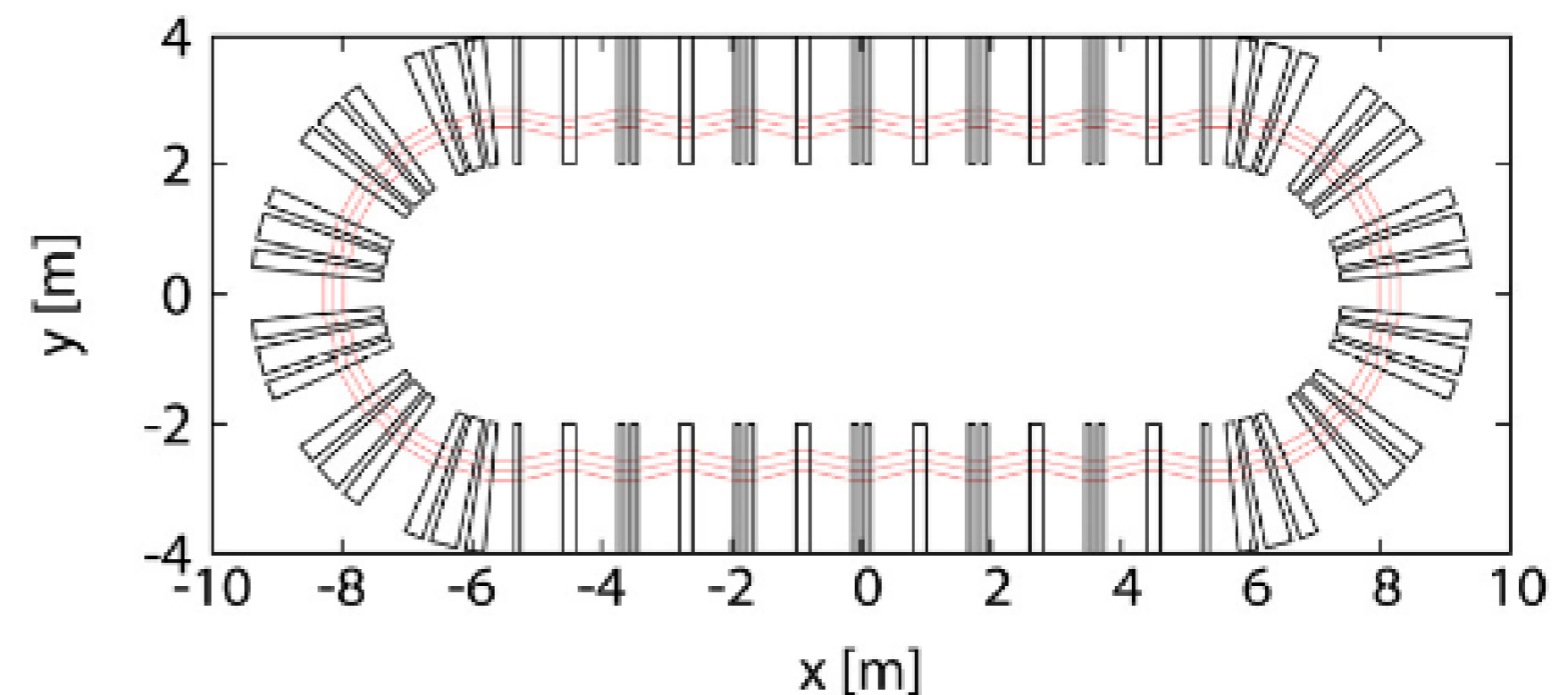


Figure 1: Layout of the advanced FFAG solution for the PRISM ring. Closed orbits of 55 MeV/c, 68 MeV/c and 82 MeV/c muons are shown.

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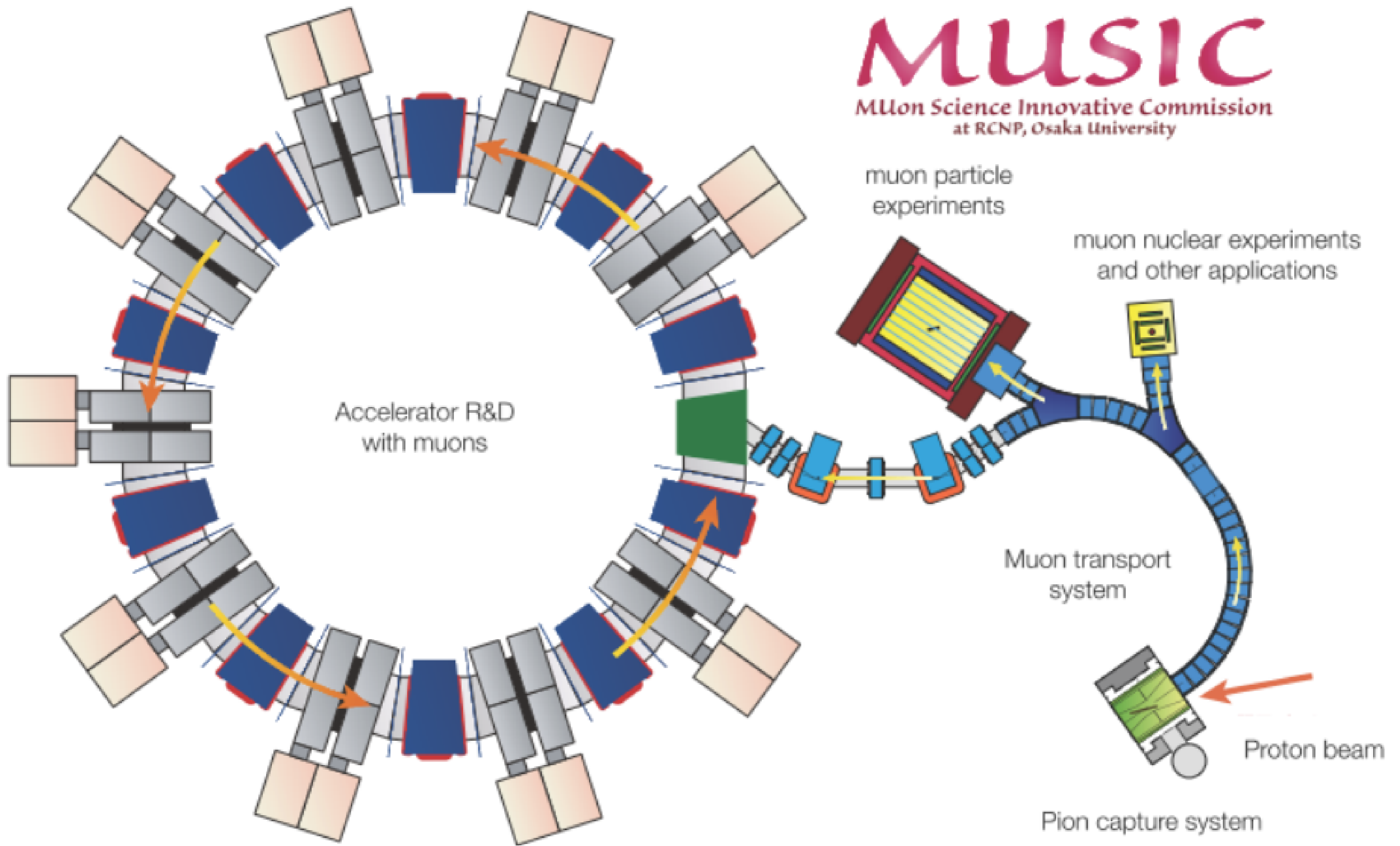
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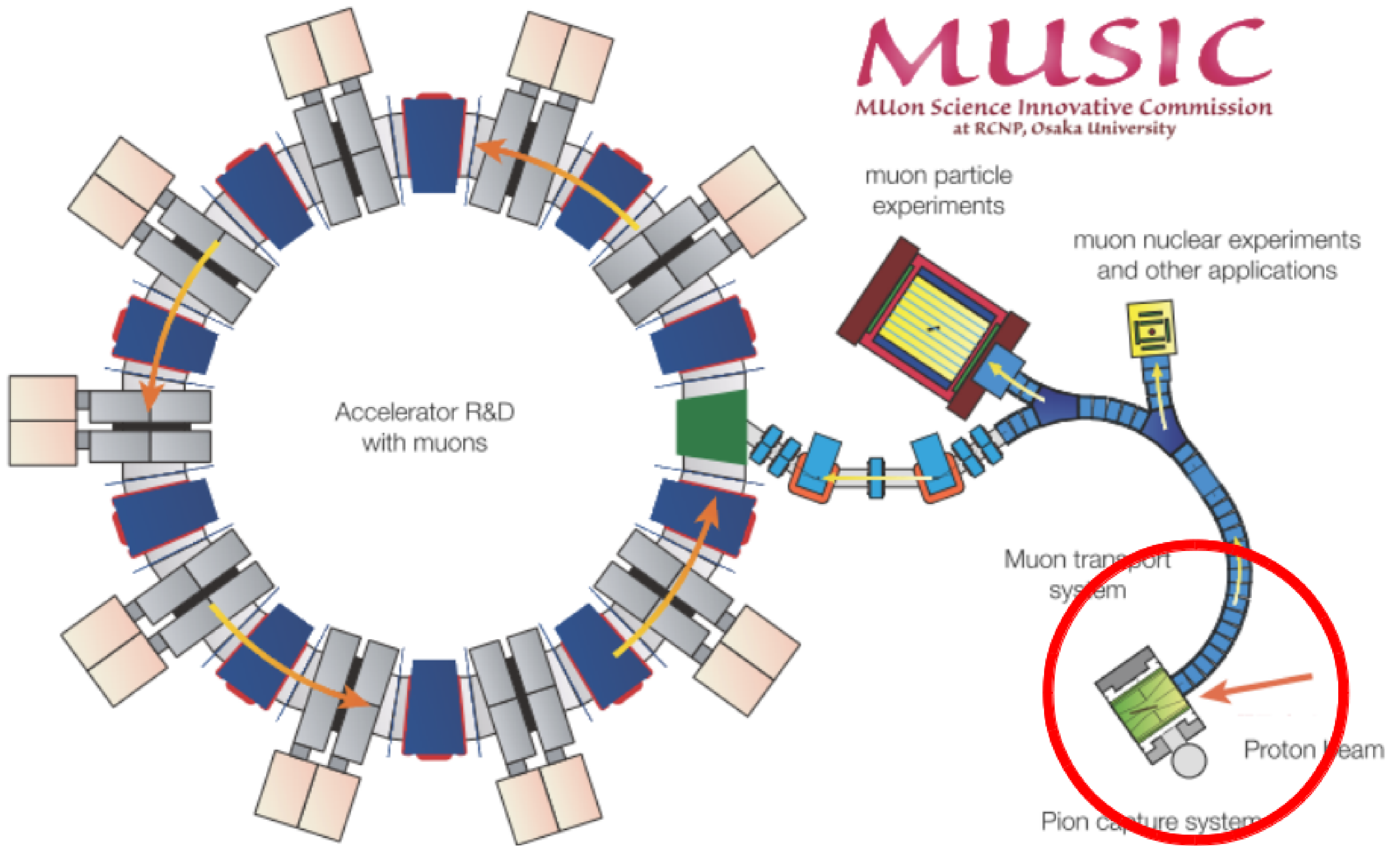
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Muon Science Innovative Commission  
at RCNP, Osaka University



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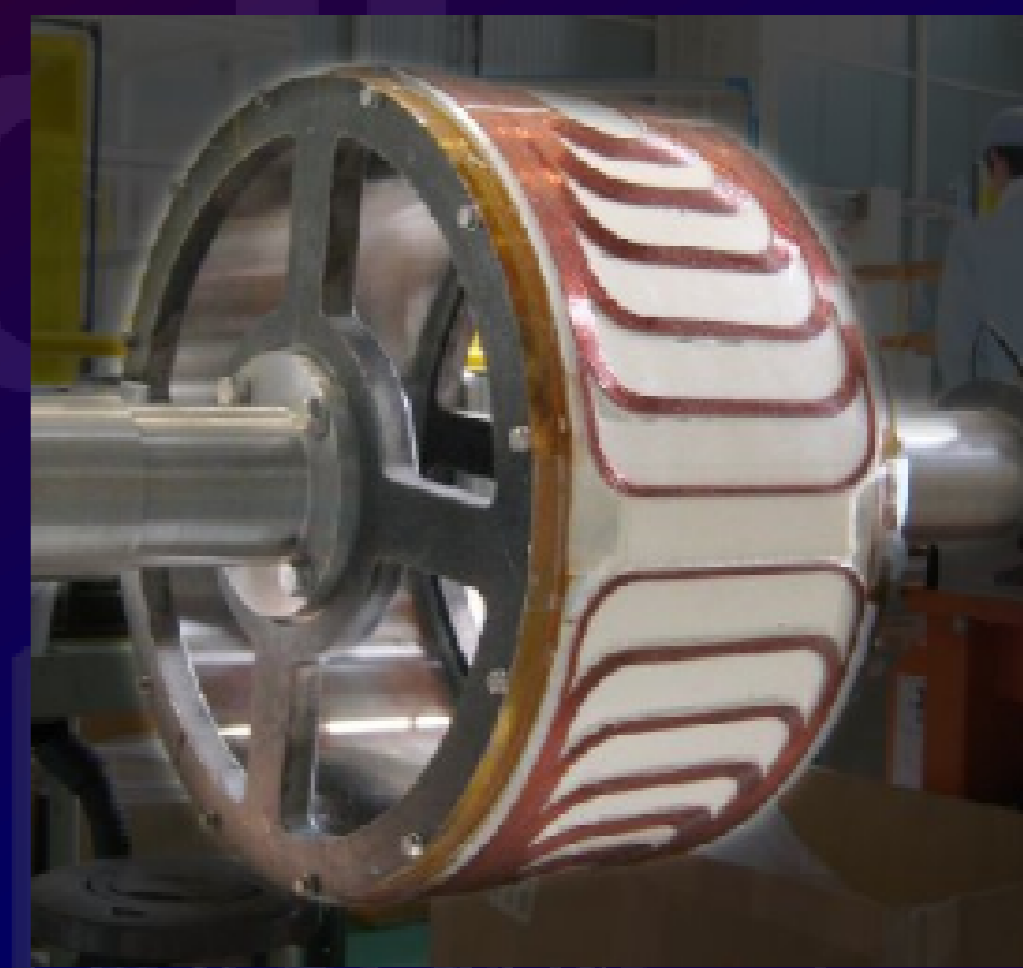
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Commissioned April 2010—  
The world's first superconducting  
pion capture solenoid

# The MUSIC Project at Osaka

- Identical physics principles as upstream parts of COMET
- Much lower power
- High muon intensity



- Prototype studies for COMET
- Pion-capture solenoid/muon transport line studies
- Muon physics
- UK on-site activity at MUSIC since 2009

# Staging Plan (New as of late 2011)

- **Construction start in April 2013**
  - as KEK facility construction (experimental hall, proton beamline + upstream parts of COMET)
  - about 1/3 of COMET (in cost terms)
- 5-year plan
- **Data-taking in 2017 (COMET Phase-I)**
  - first 90 degrees of the muon transport curved solenoid
  - **rich programme of study**
    - particle production and transport and secondary particle production, optics and field tuning, neutron production etc
    - lepton flavour violating processes
- **A fast reliable path towards Phase-II (full experiment)**
- Plan presented to J-PARC PAC Jan/March 2012 and approved



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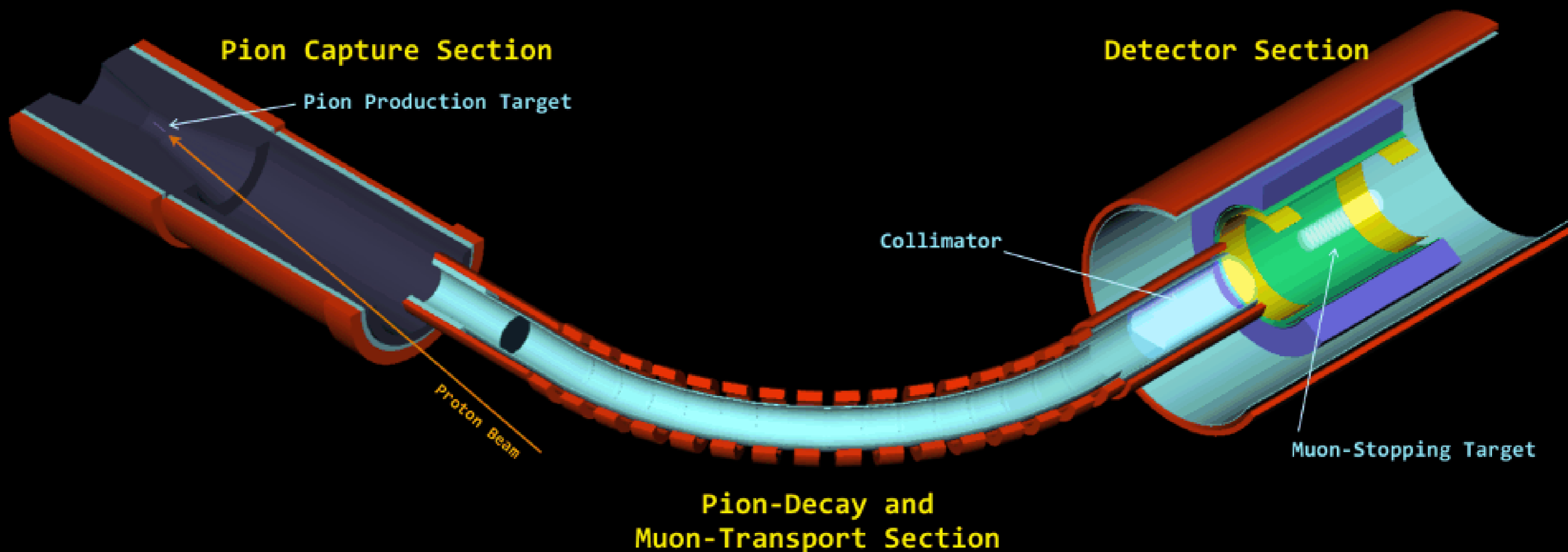
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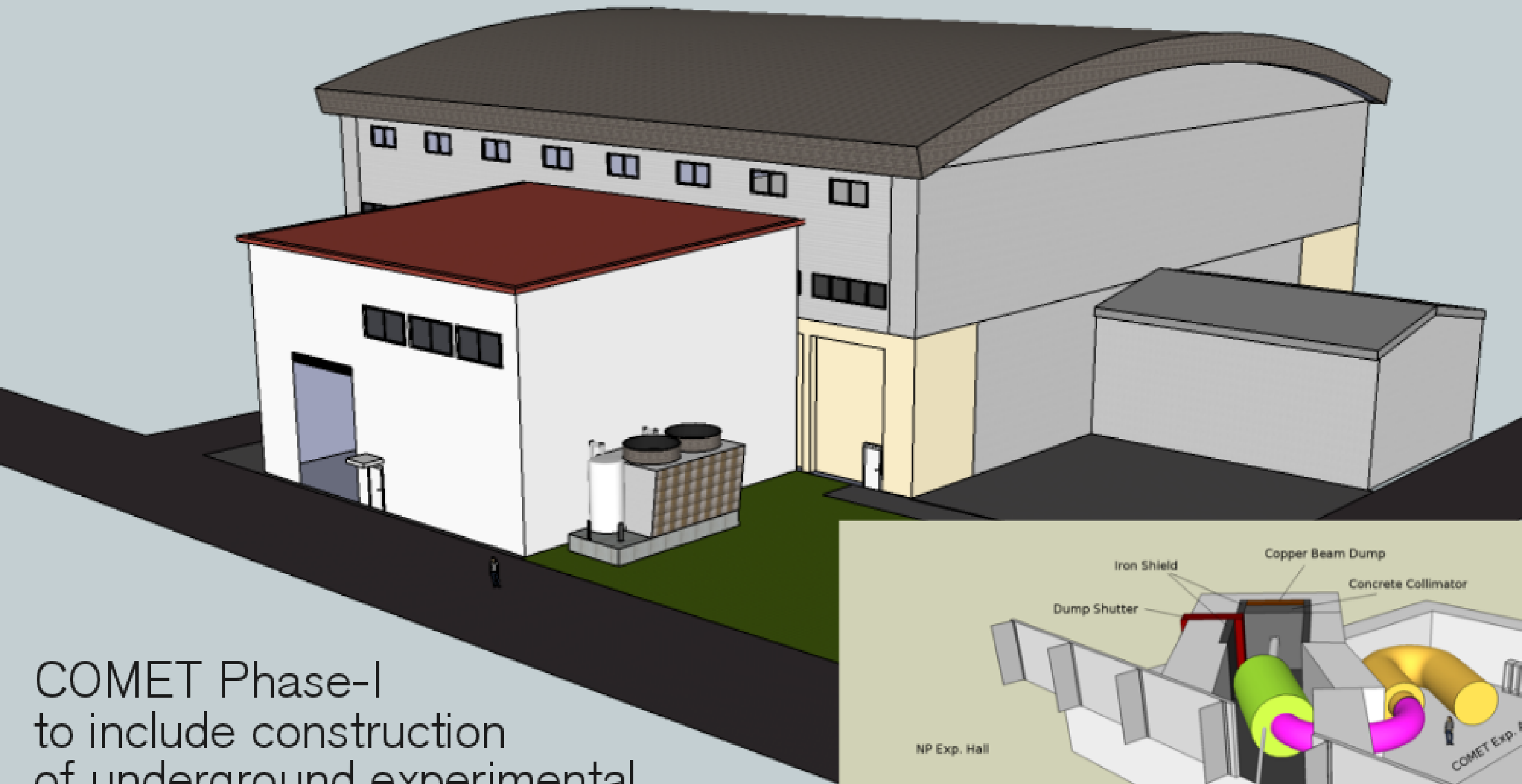
# Letter of Intent for Phase-I of the COMET Experiment at J-PARC

March 21, 2012

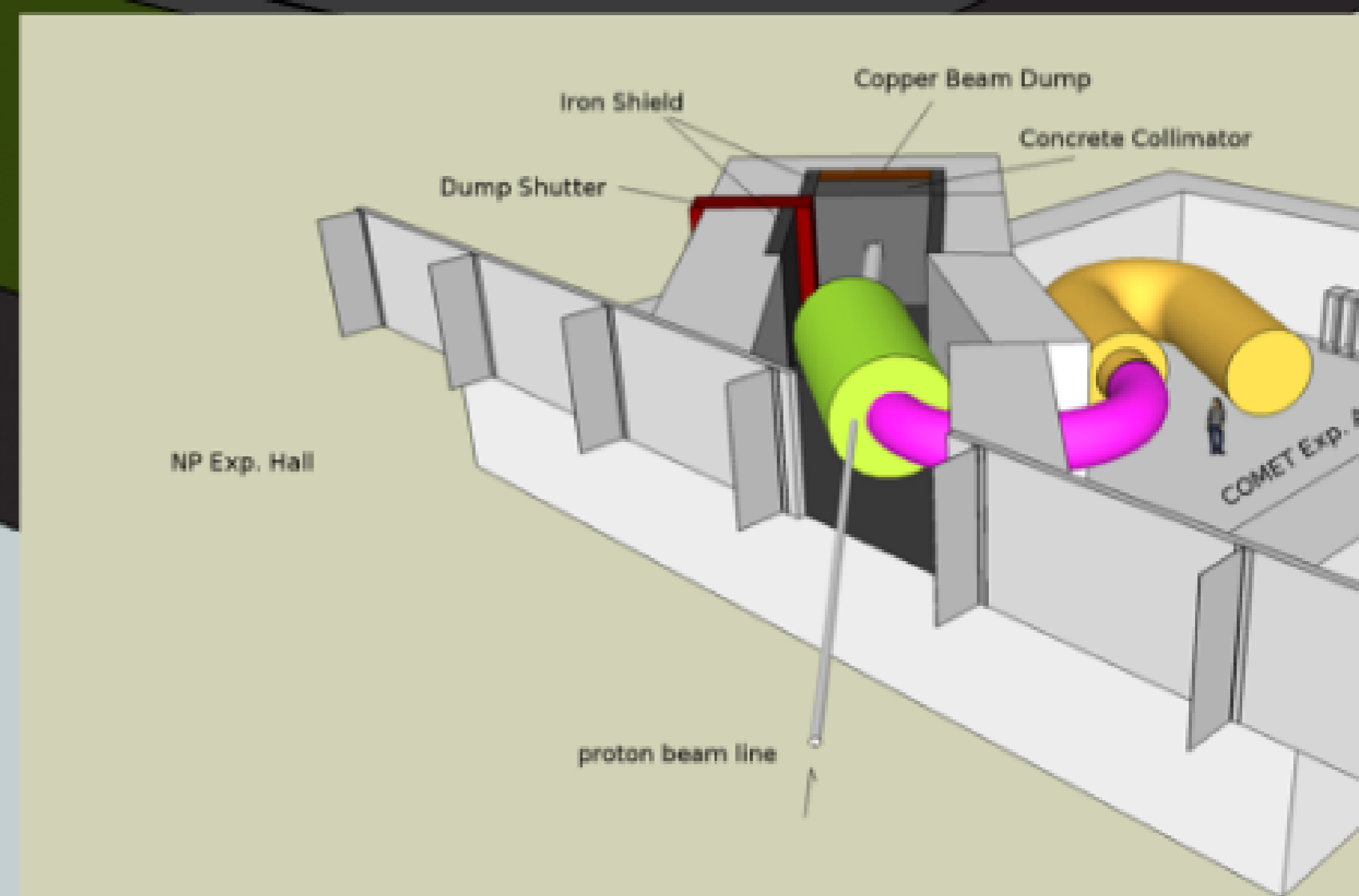
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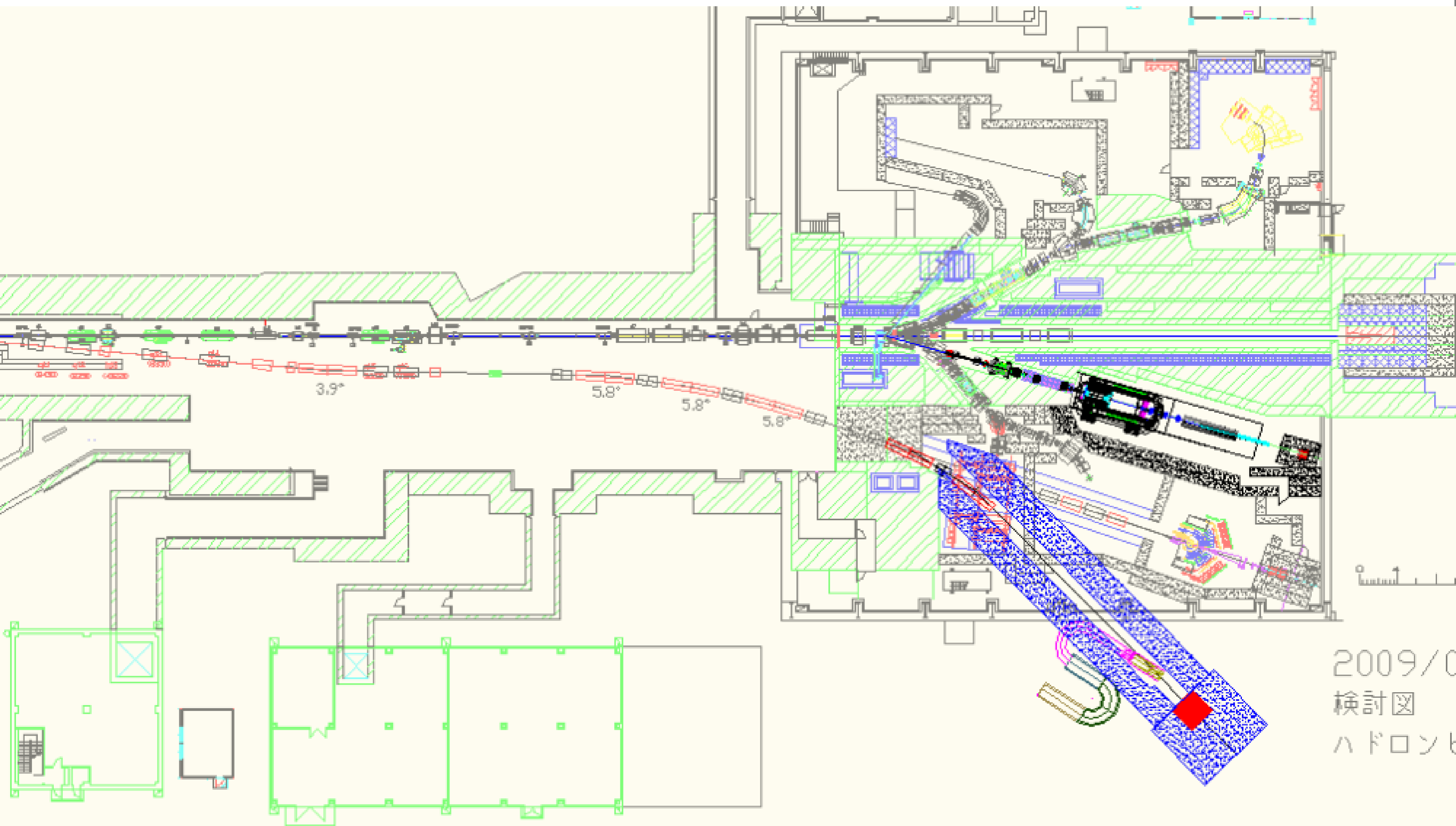






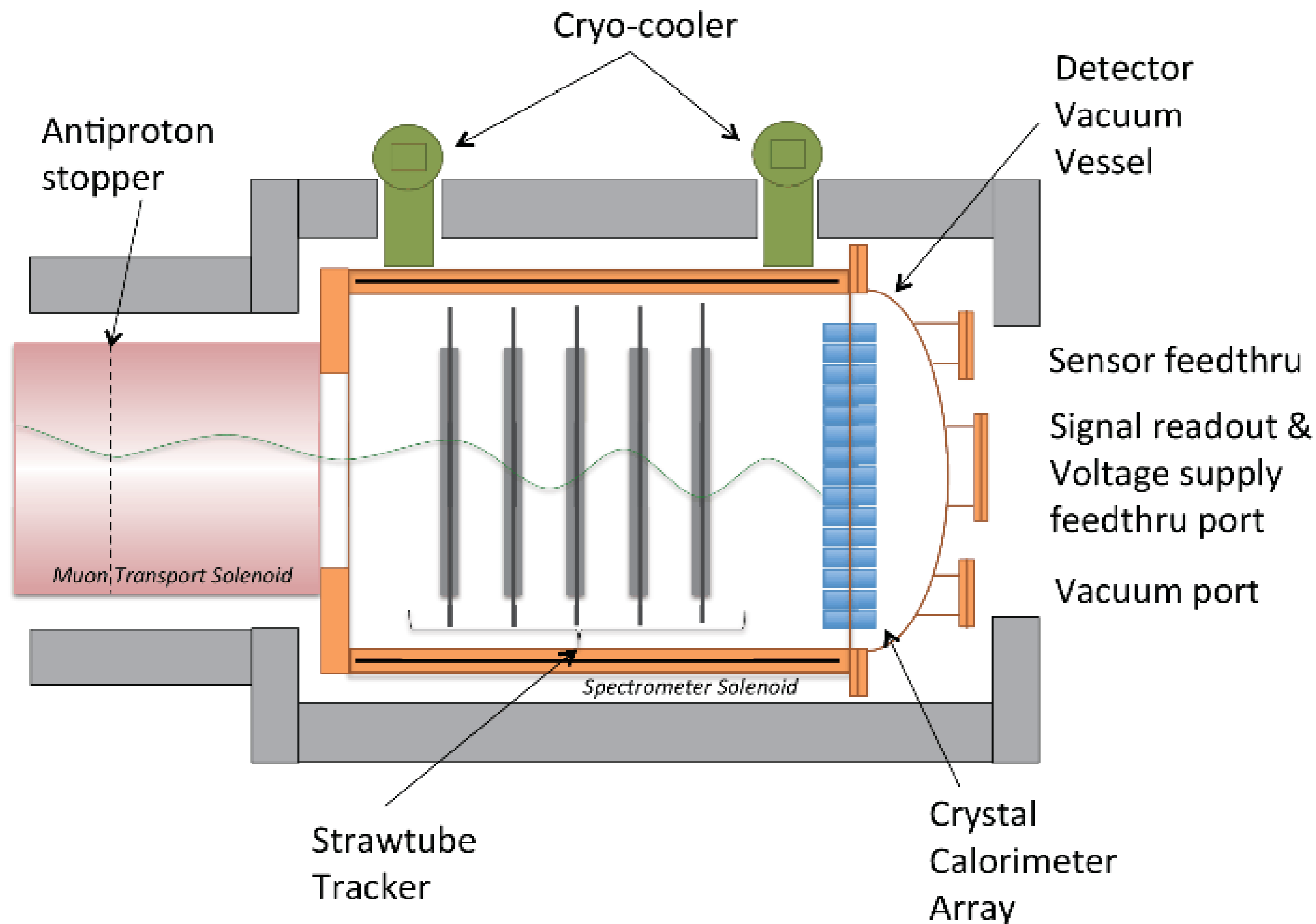
COMET Phase-I  
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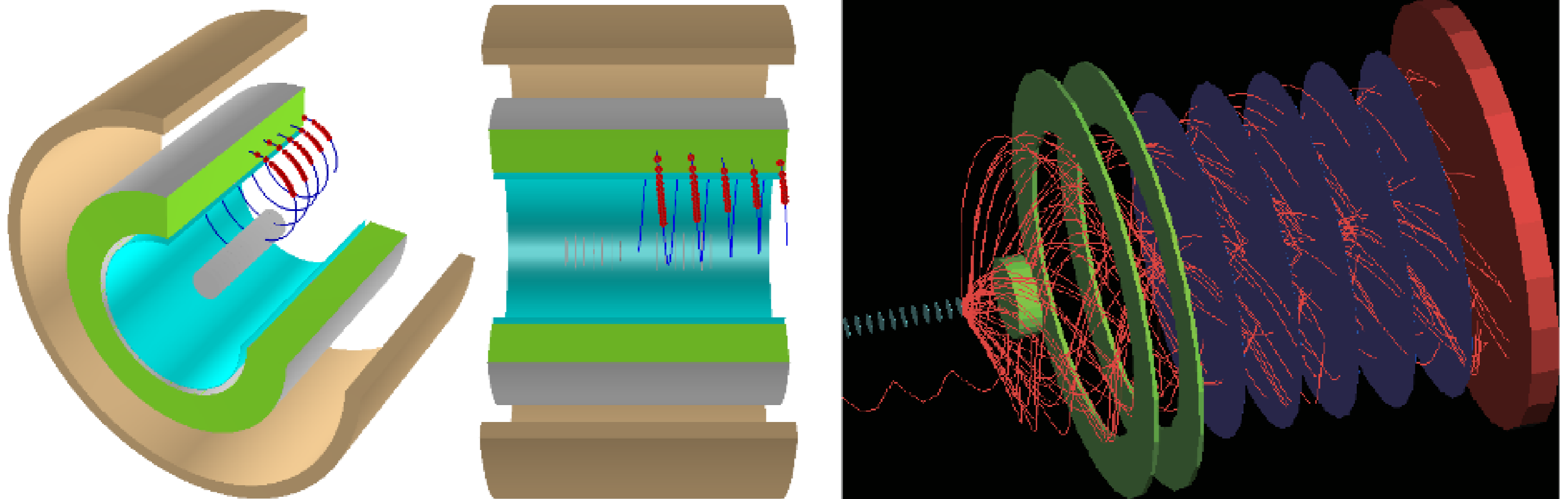
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# COMET Phase-I Detector for Beam Physics and Backgrounds Studies



also a prototype for detector section for the full COMET experiment

# COMET Phase-I Detector For Lepton Flavour Physics Studies



an updated SINDRUM-style design  
(currently undergoing simulation studies and optimisation)

# Conclusions

- Intense muon physics is highly promising as a probe into Beyond-the-Standard-Model physics
- Currently a gap in the UK physics programme
- Strong synergies with UK strengths
- COMET/PRISM to probe muon-to-electron conversion to the  $10^{-18}$  level
- **Staged construction: data-taking for Phase-I physics by 2017**
  - detailed particle flux studies for full COMET
  - lepton flavour violation physics
- As part of a new area of intense muon physics
  - muon

