



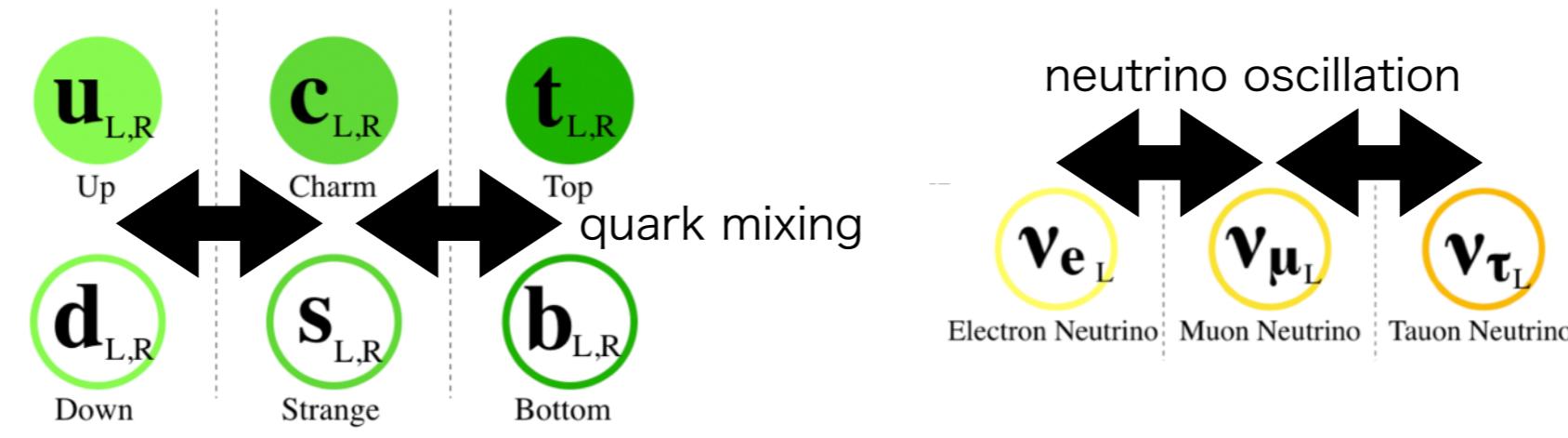
MEG II実験： 2023年データのガンマ線解析状況およびMPPC の非線形応答の補正による性能向上の研究

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Charged Lepton Flavor Violation

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- In quark and neutrino (neutral lepton) sector, the flavor violates in SM



- Some theories BSM predict flavor violation in the charged lepton sector
 - In the Standard Model (+ ν osci.), it is practically prohibited : $\text{Br}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) = 10^{-54}$
 - In BSM, $\text{Br}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) \sim O(10^{-14})$ is predicted (not observed yet)

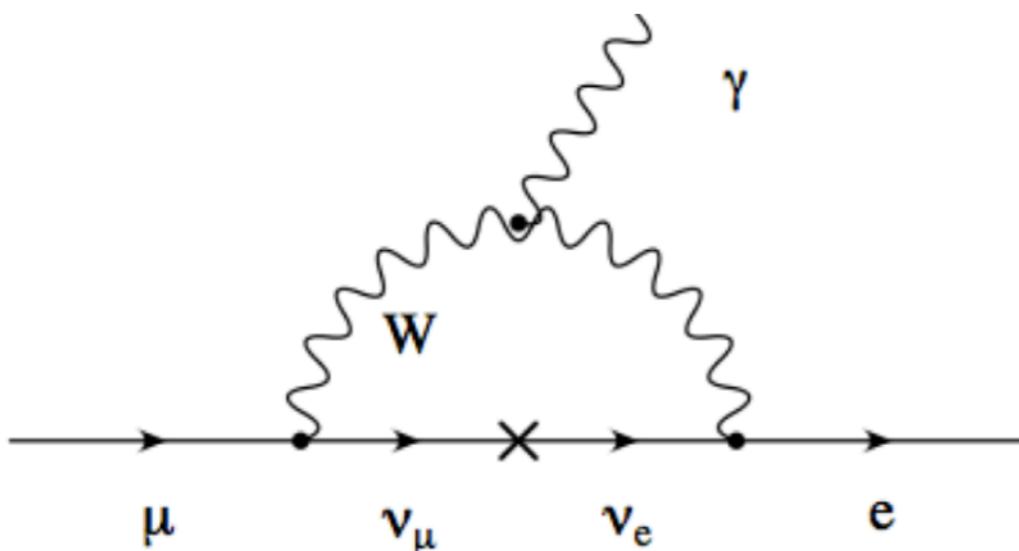
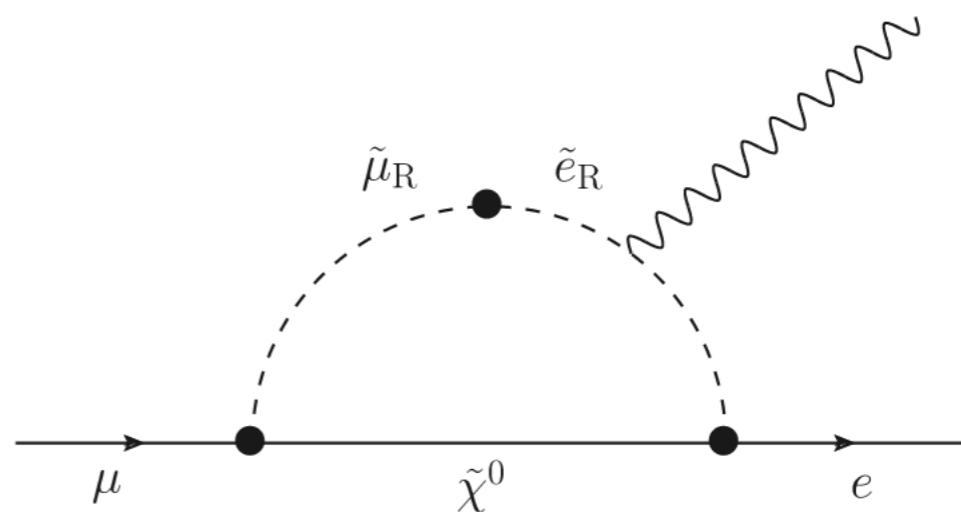


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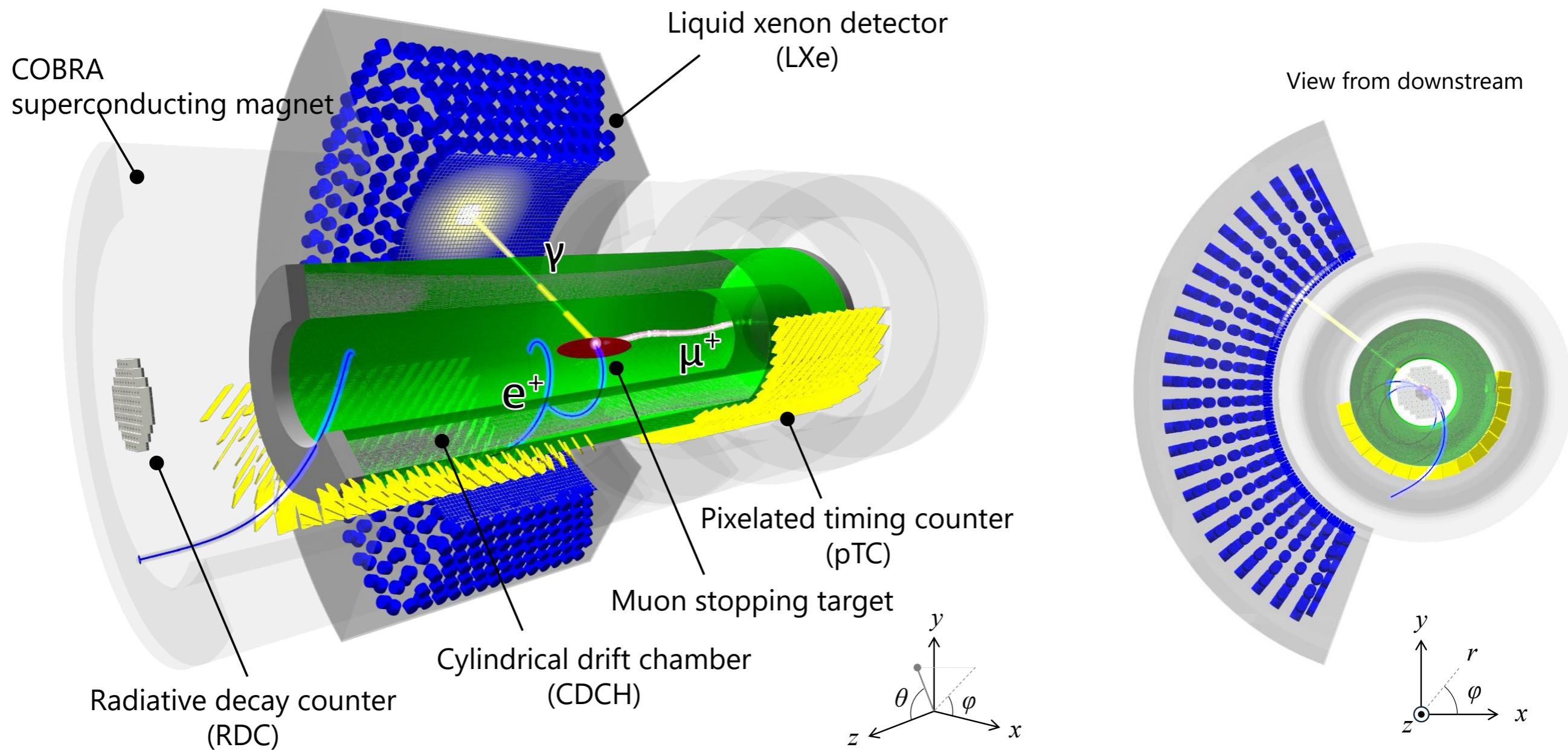


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MEG II experiment

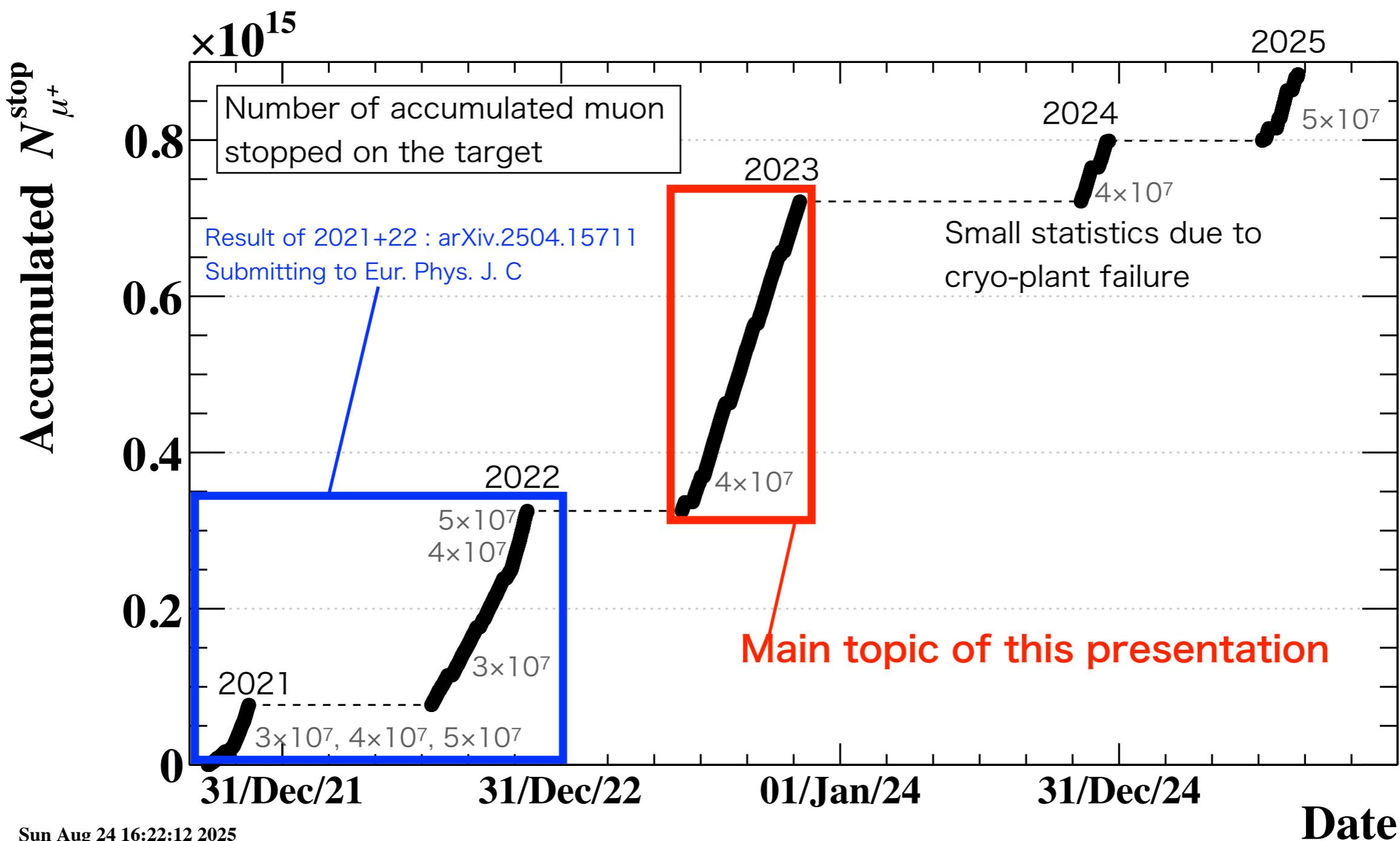
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- MEG II experiment aims to search for charged lepton flavor violation : $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma$
 - with higher sensitivity by one order of magnitude compared to the MEG
 - Current limit with 2021+2022 data : $\text{Br}(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma) < 1.5 \times 10^{-13}$ (90% C.L.)
 - Target sensitivity of $\text{Br}(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma) : 6 \times 10^{-14}$



Timeline of the MEG II experiment

- Physics run started since 2021
 - will be continued by the end of 2026
 - Analysis of MEG II 2023+2024 data is ongoing



Non-uniformity correction

- Correction for non-uniformity by 55 MeV gamma-ray

Jun.

MEG run

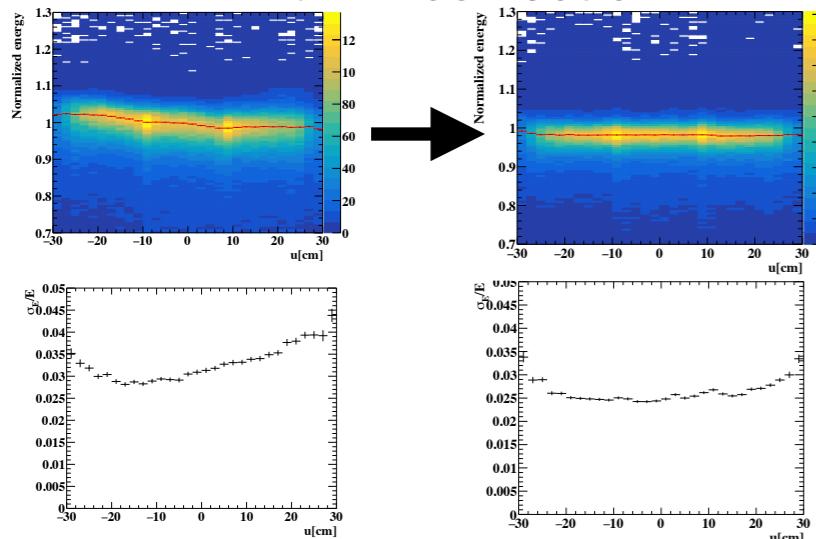
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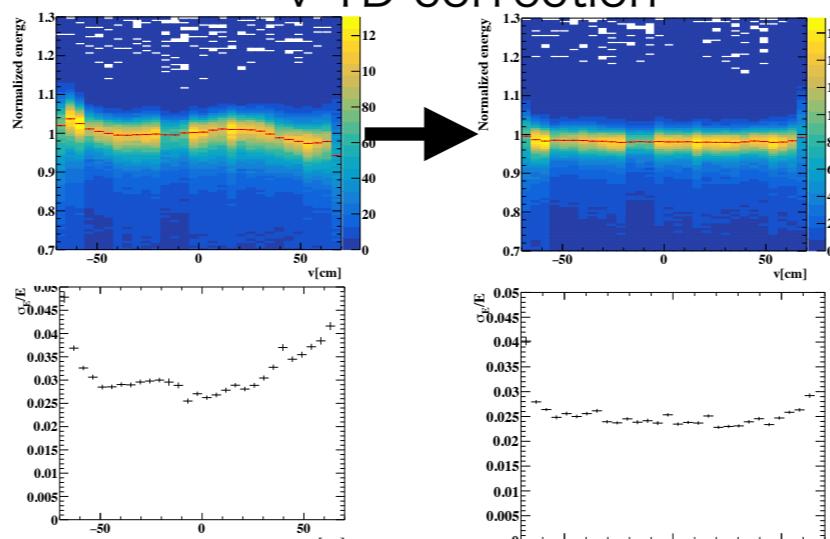
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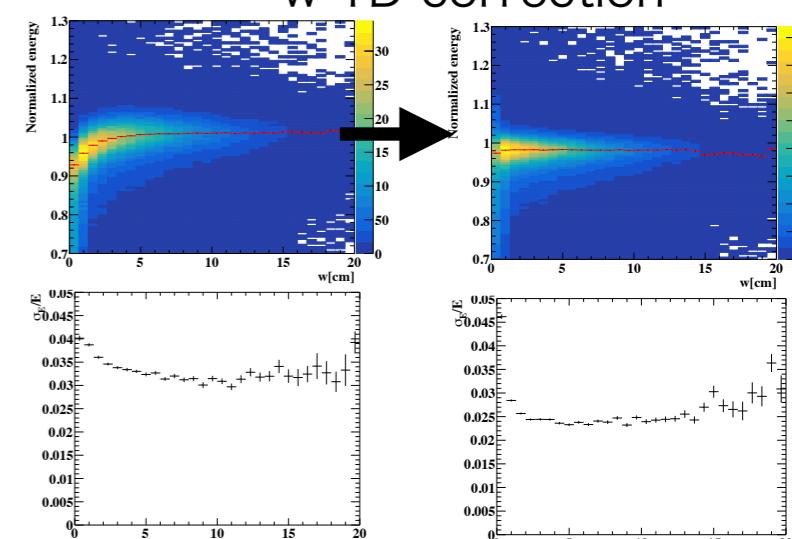
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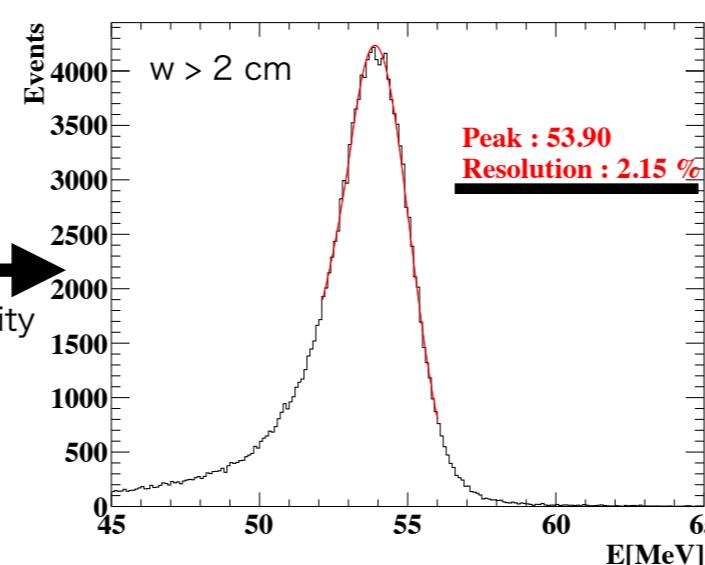
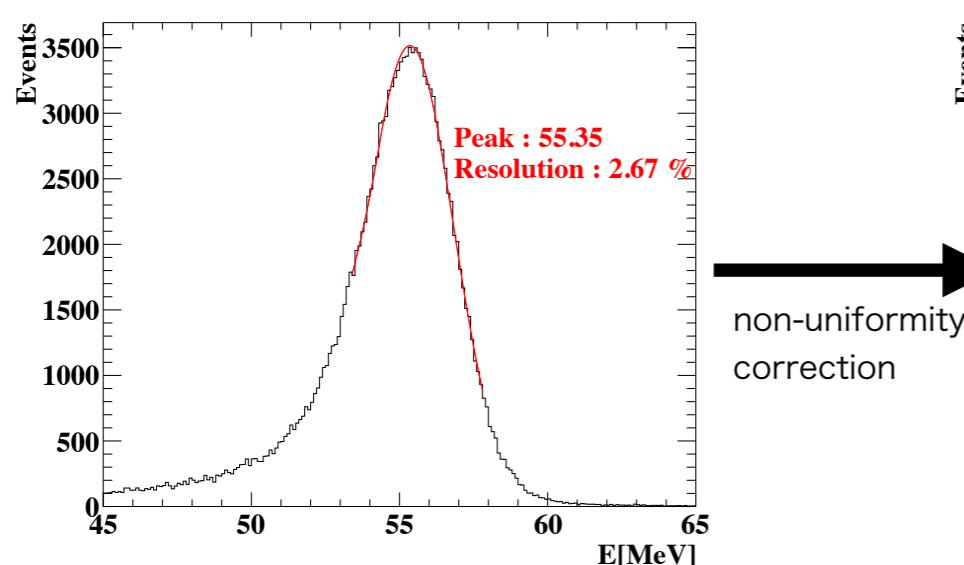
v-1D correction



w-1D correction



+ additional correction : (u,v)-2D-correction, (u,v,w)-3D-correction

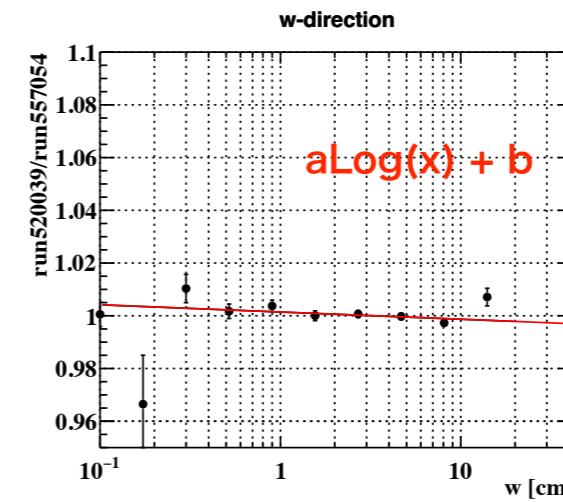
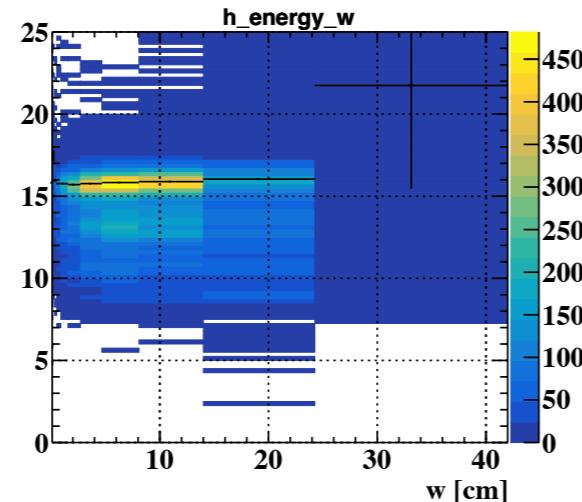
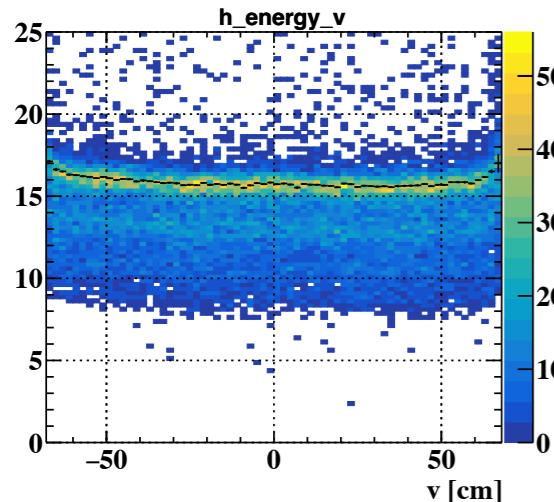
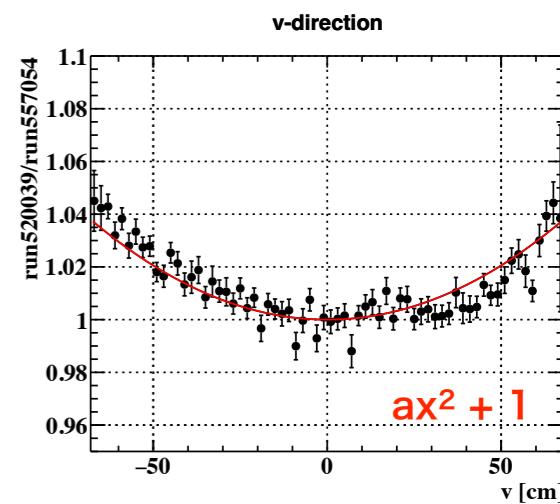
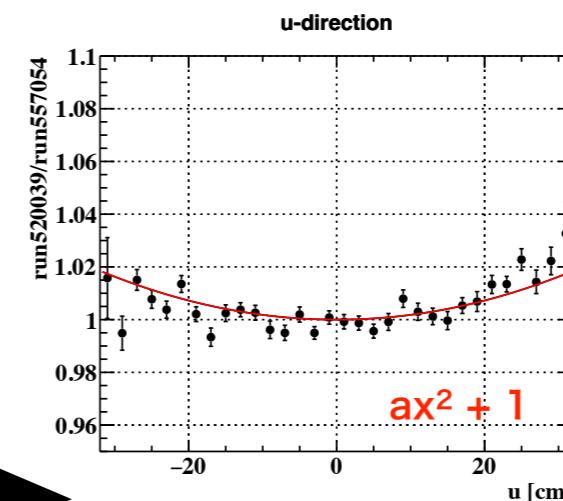
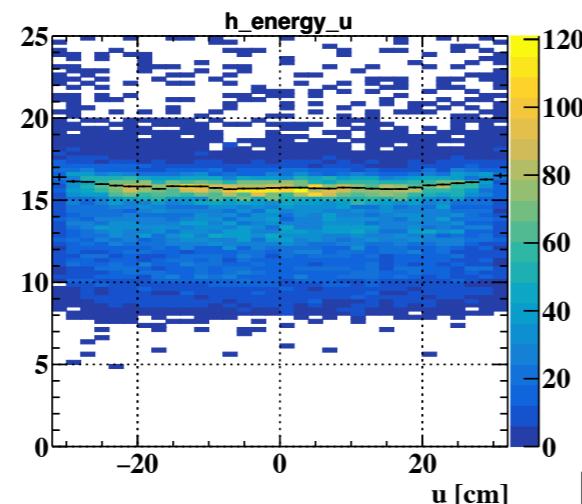
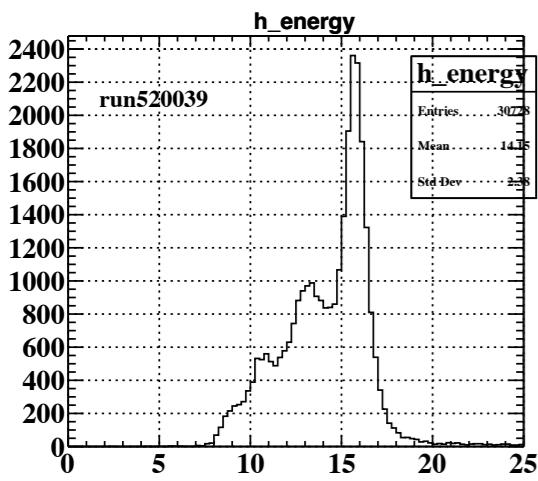
non-uniformity
correction

Achieved good energy resolution :
2.15% at 55 MeV
but it is worse than 2021(22) analysis
- it was 1.8(1.9)%
Reason of worse resolution is under investigation
-> Non-linear response of MPPCs may a cause

Non-uniformity correction : temporal evolution

- Time evolution of non-uniformity is checked by 17.6 MeV gamma-ray

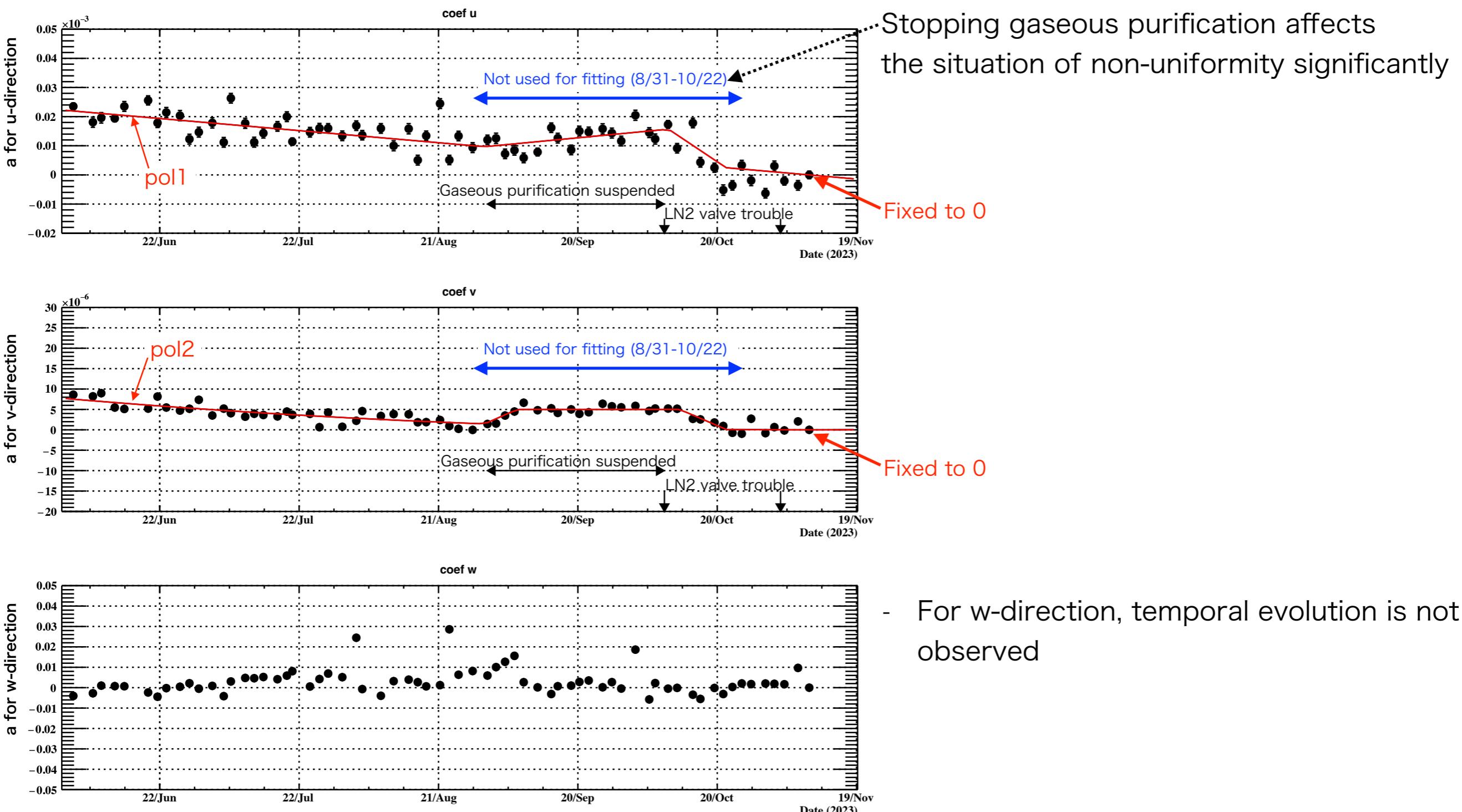
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17.6 MeV gamma
- on 7th Jun. 2023



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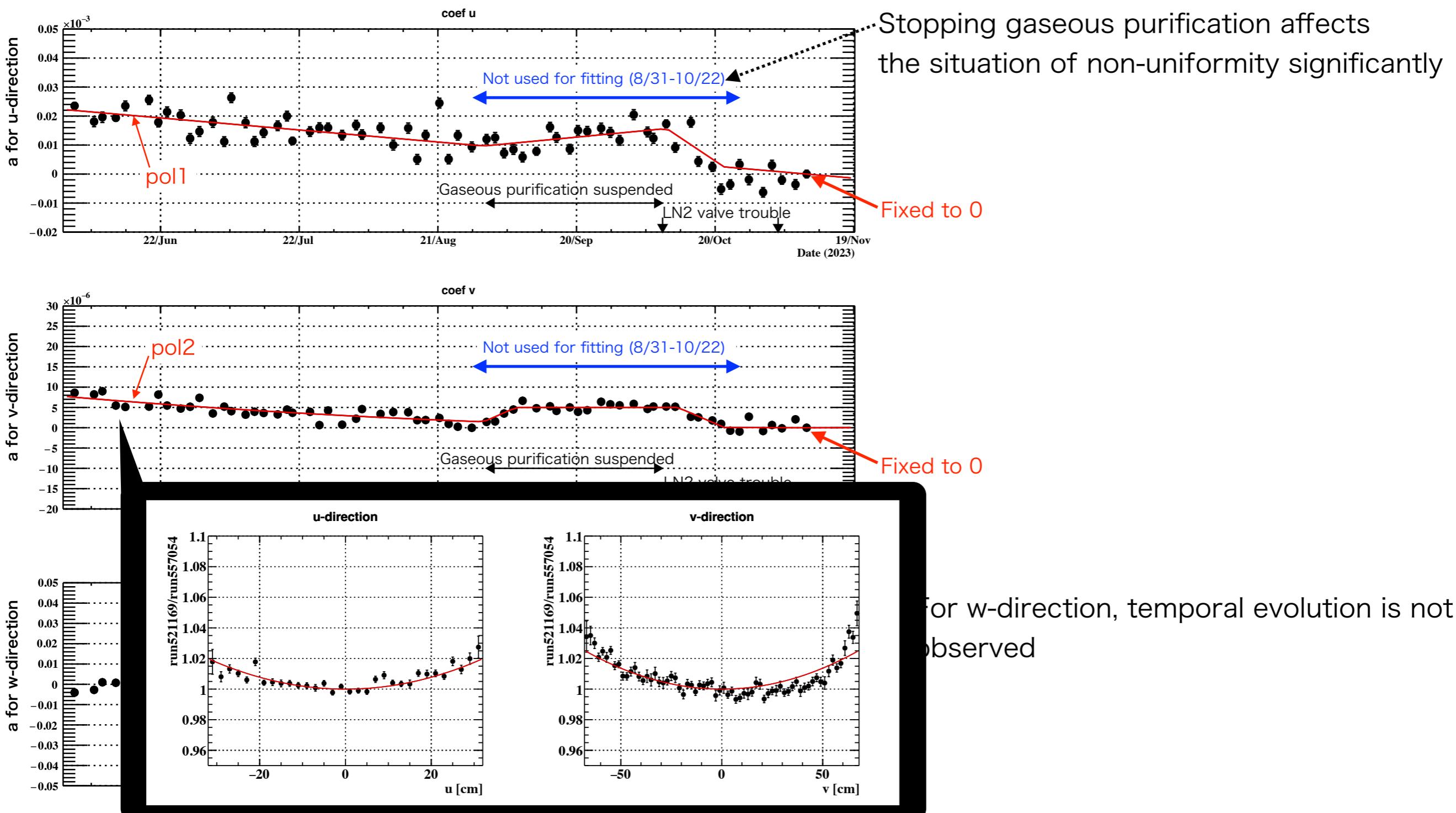
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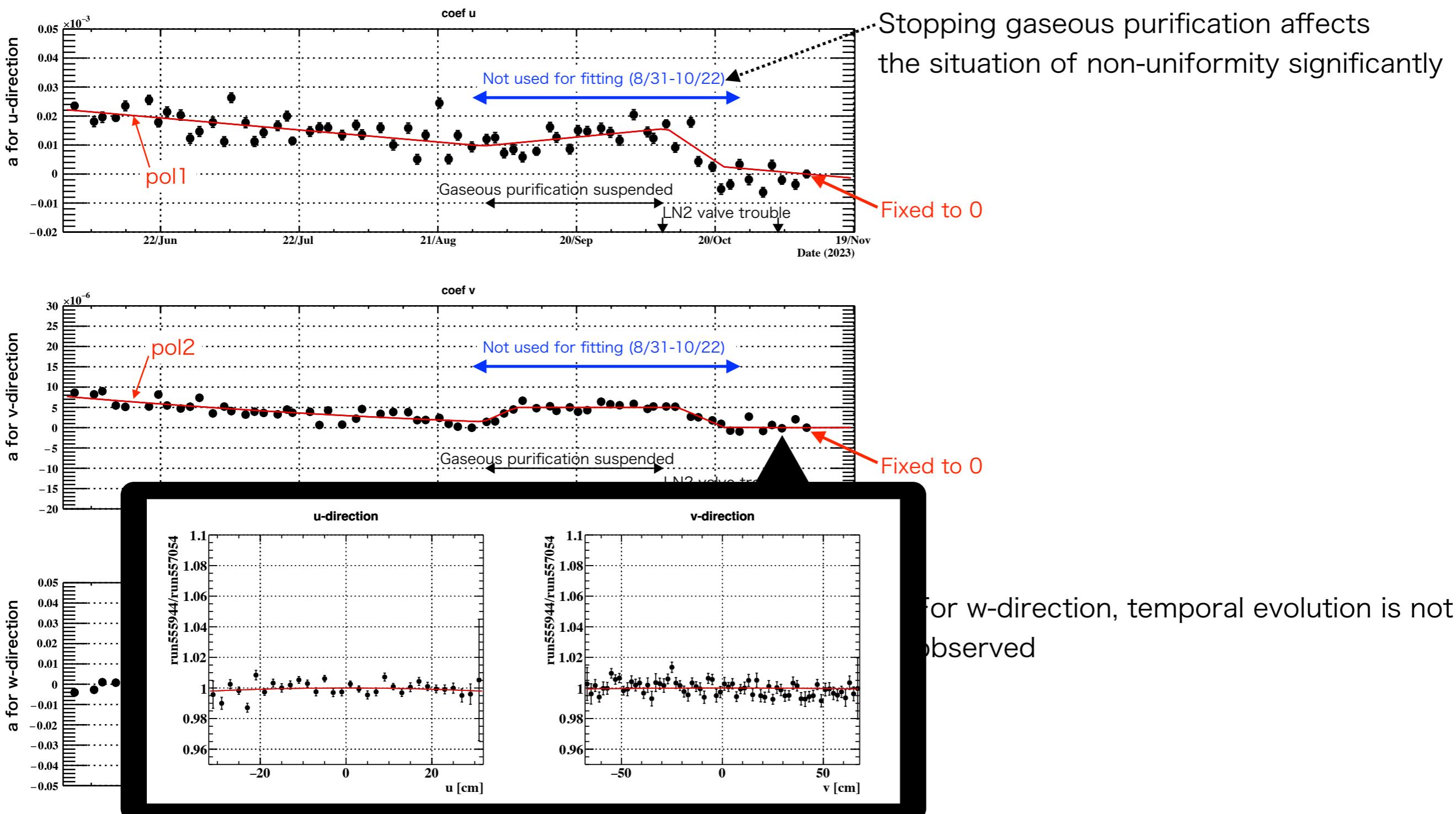
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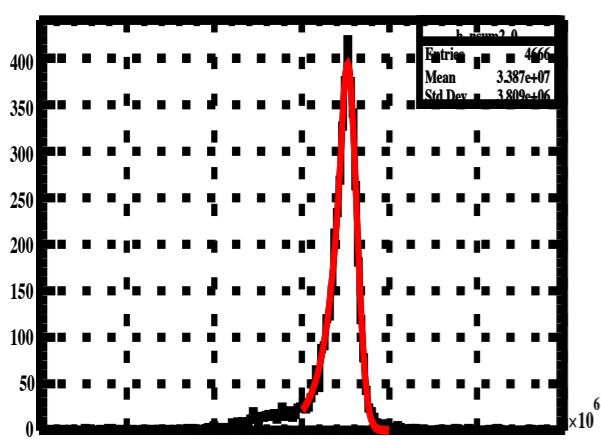


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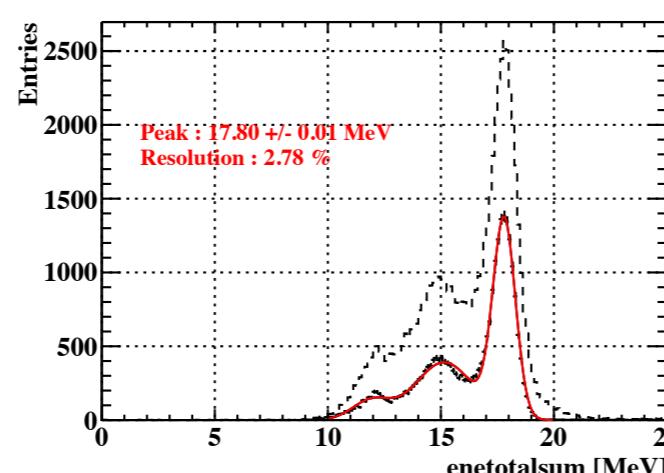
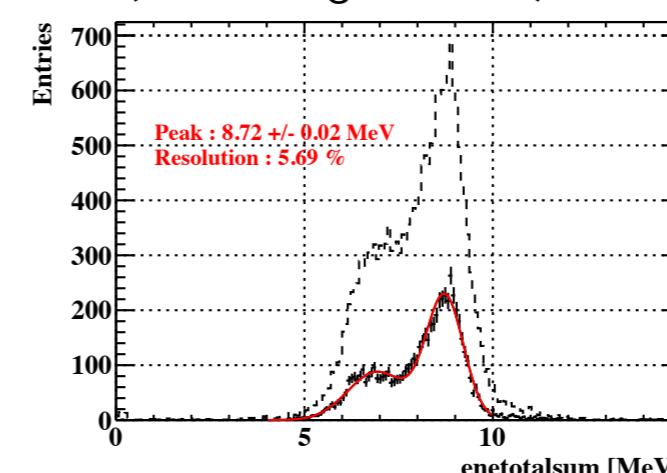
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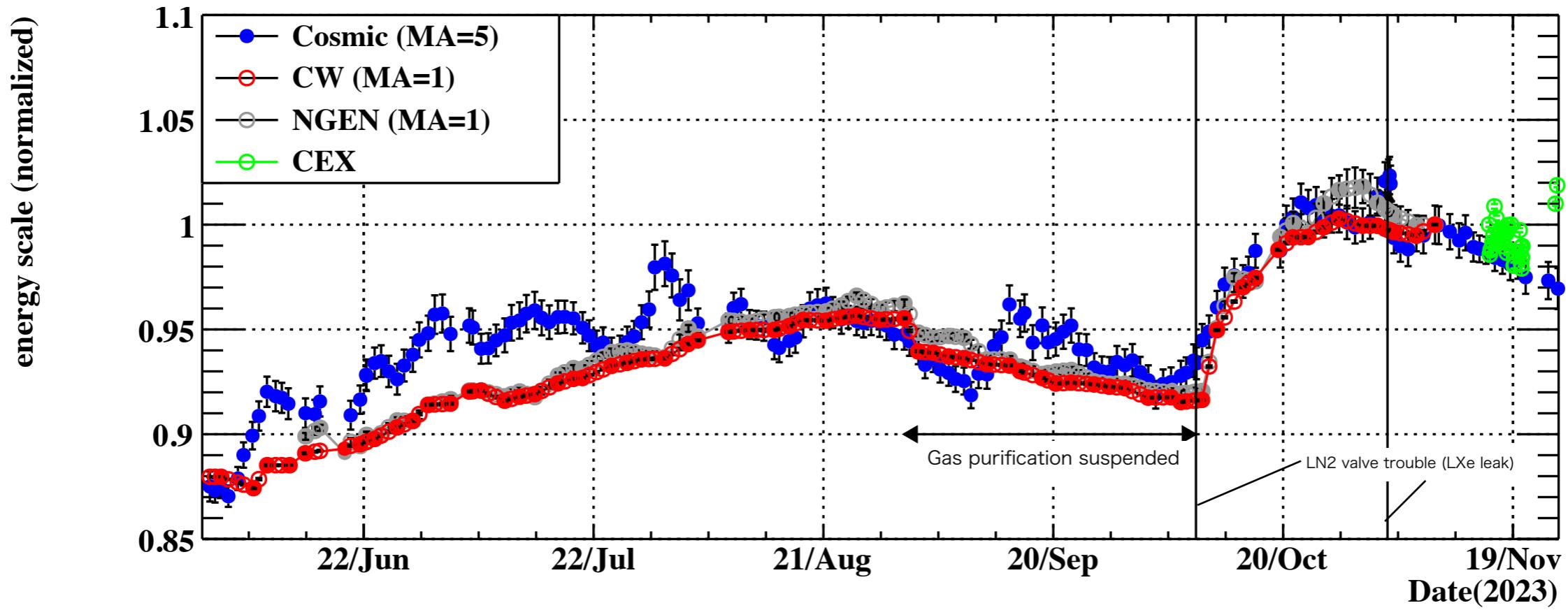
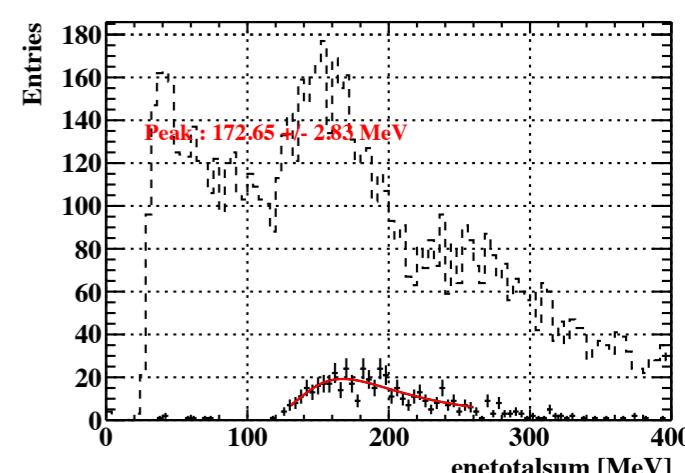
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17.6 MeV gamma-ray (CW)

9 MeV gamma-ray
(Neutron generator)

Cosmic-ray



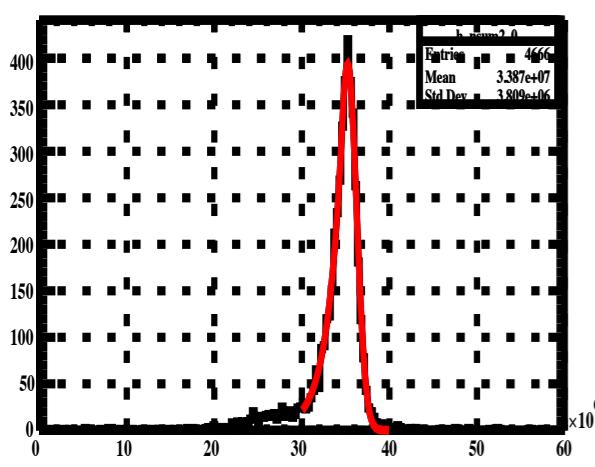
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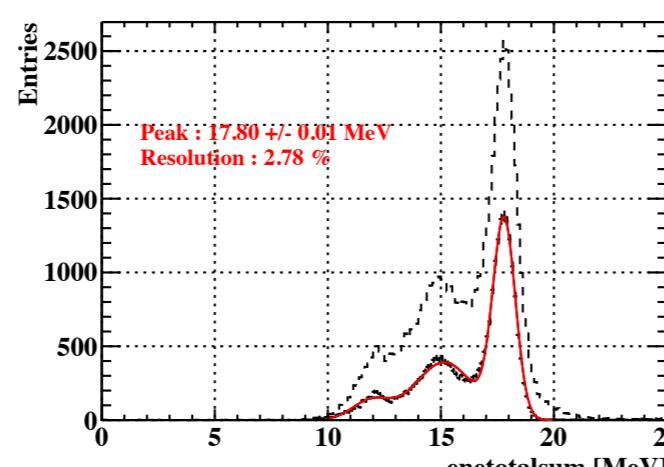
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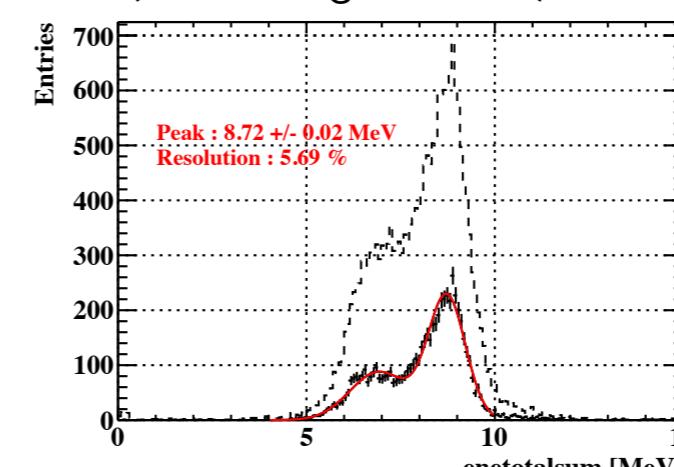
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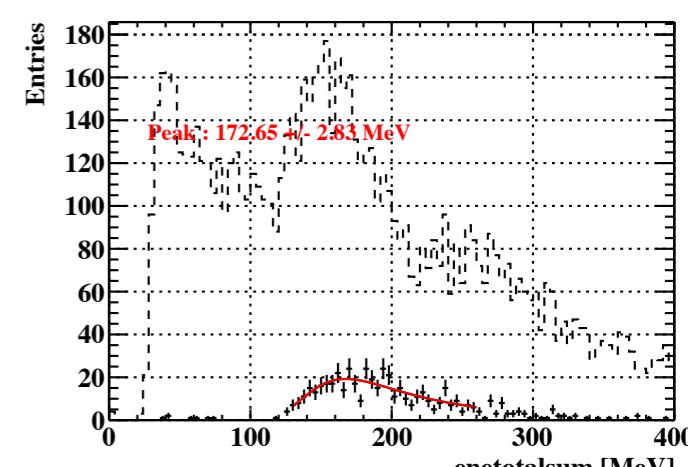
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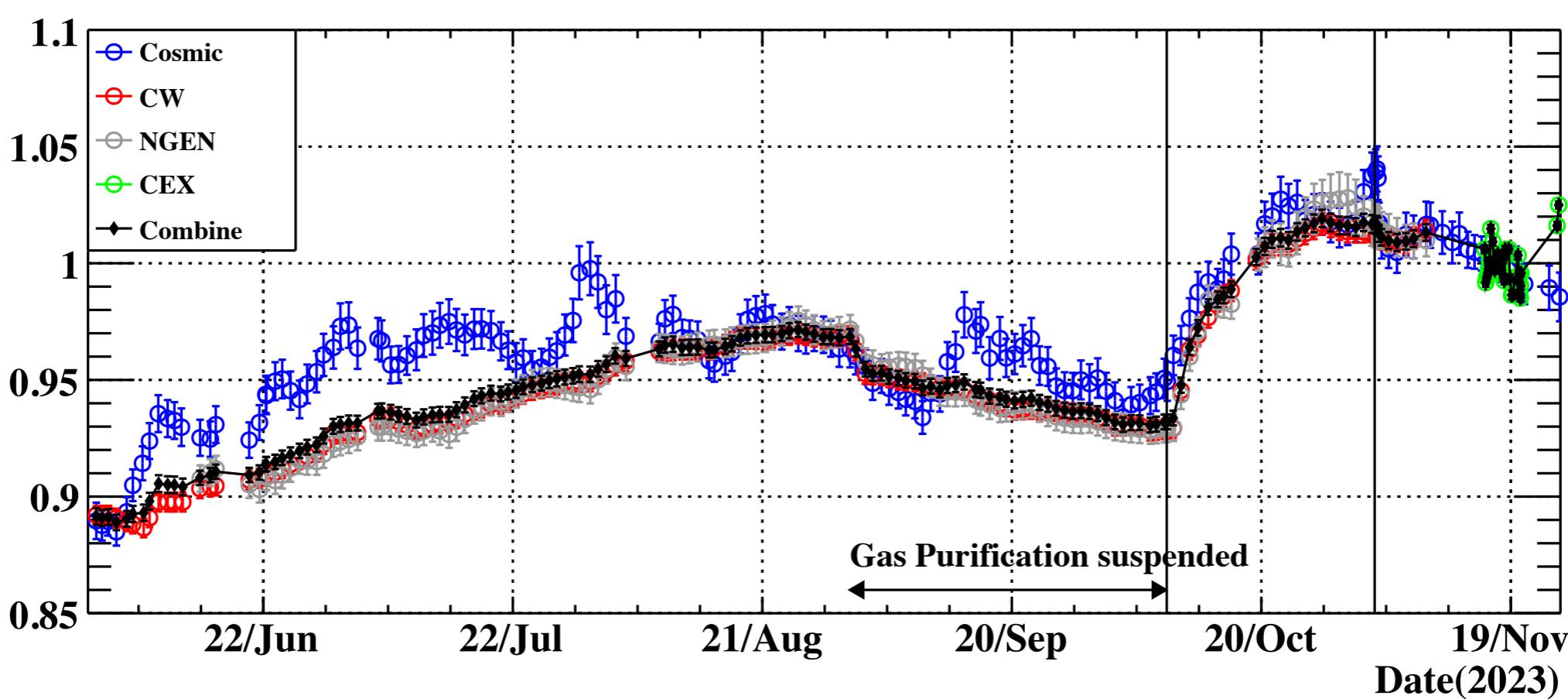
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energy scale (normalized)

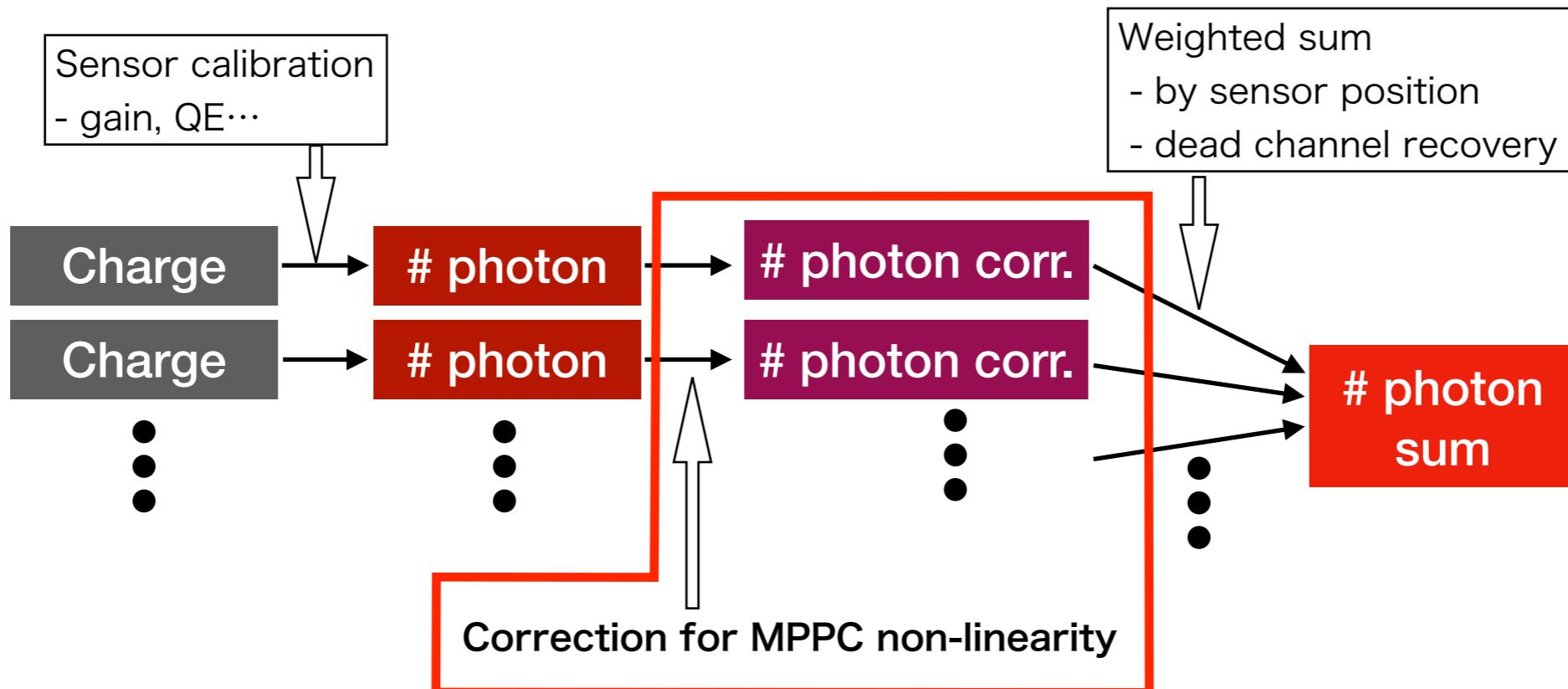


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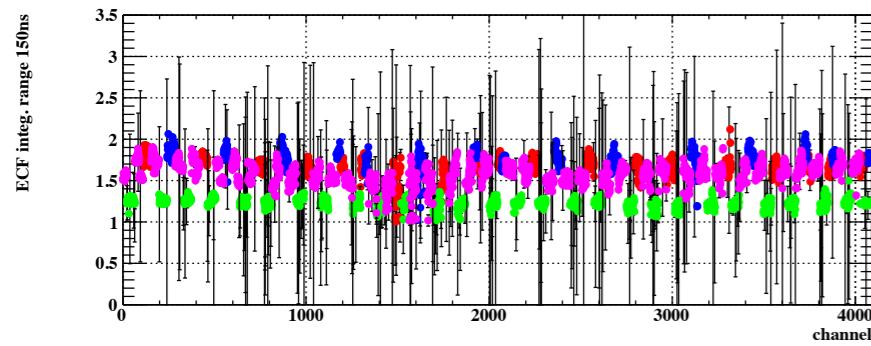
Improvement of #photon reconstruction

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- Implementation of correction for MPPC non-linear response
 - Large #photons incident will cause saturation of MPPC signal

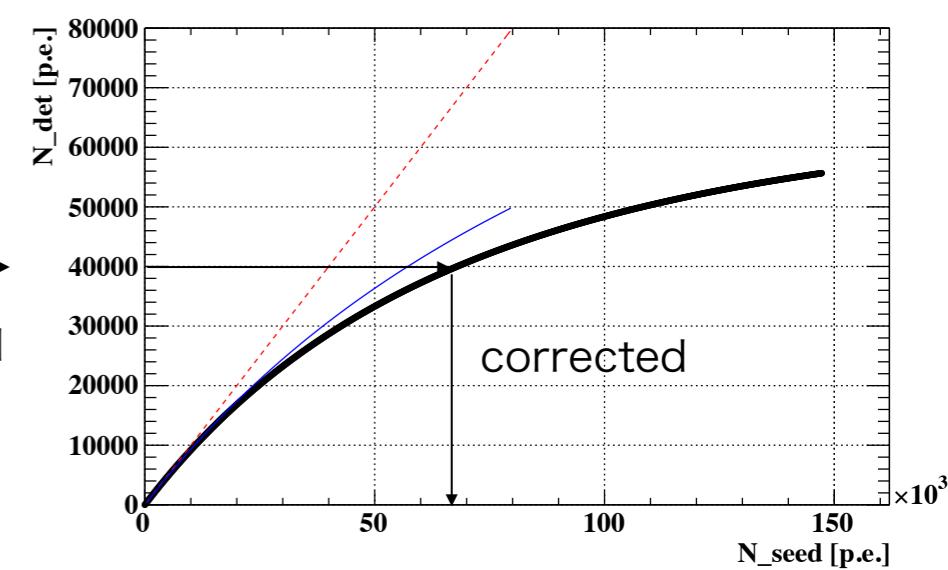


Recovery time of MPPC : 50ns



Crosstalk and after-pulse probability
calibrated by LED run

Inputs for saturation curve →
Saturation curve is calculated
for each sensor

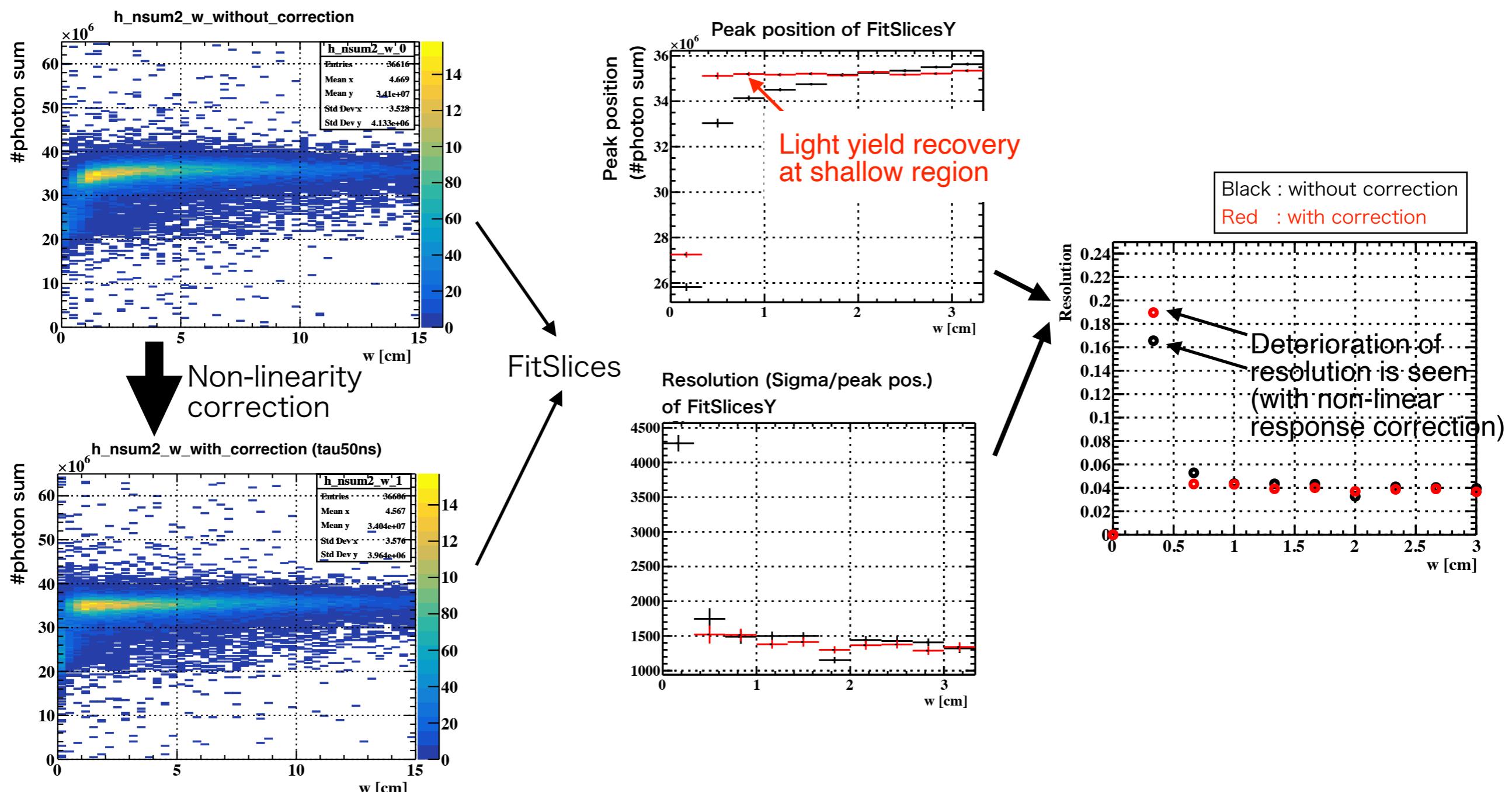


- (model : [NIM A Volume 1064, July 2024, 169431](#))

Improvement of #photon reconstruction

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- Evaluation of the improvement by non-linearity correction
 - Light yield recovery at shallow region is seen -> correction works as intended
 - But for resolution improvement is almost not observed
 - Non-linear response may not be a main cause of worse resolution

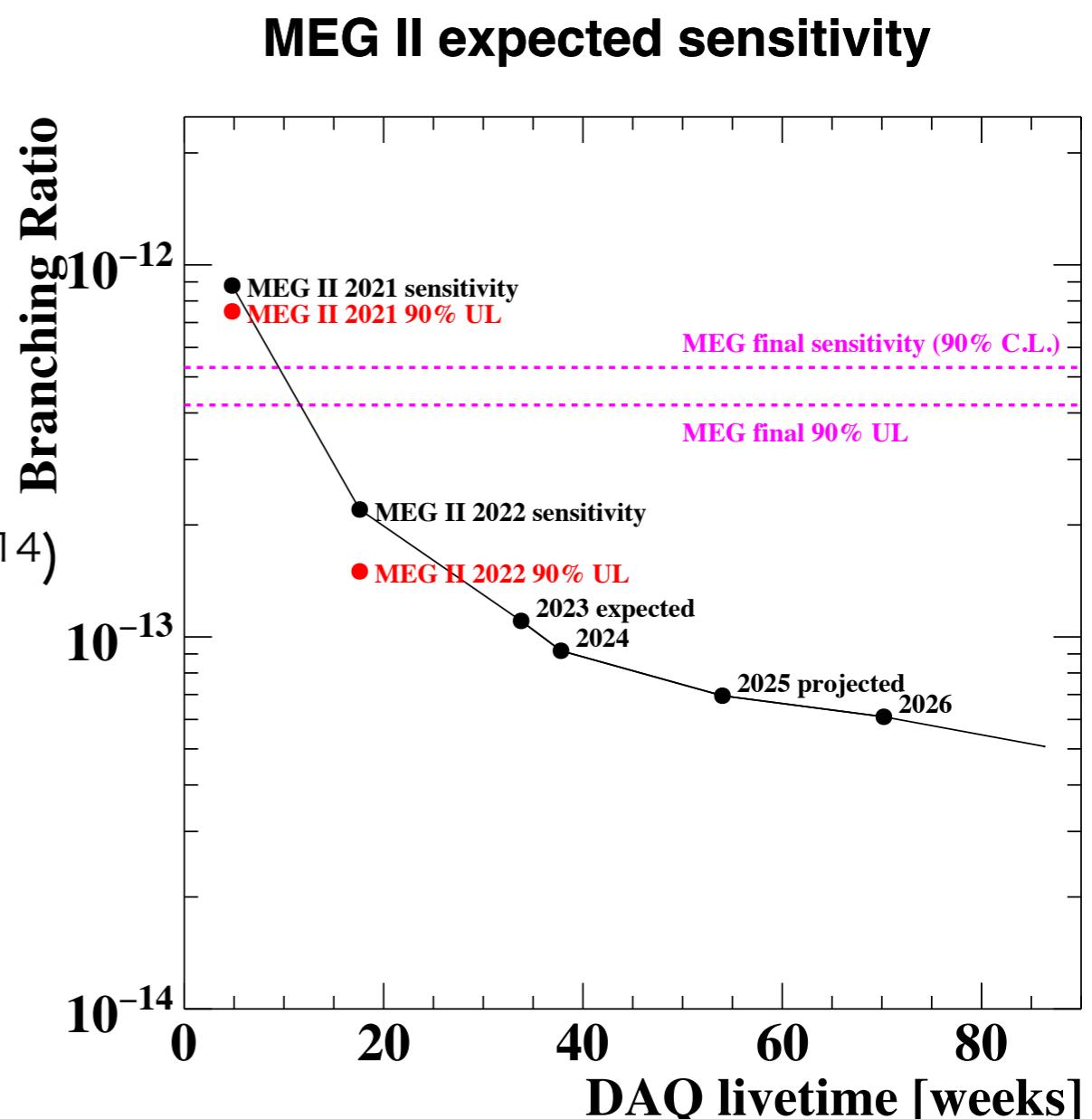


Summary and Prospect of sensitivity

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- MEG II experiment started to take physics data since 2021
 - will continue by the end of 2026
 - Latest result : $\text{Br}(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma) : 1.5 \times 10^{-13}$ (90% C.L.) using 2021+2022 data
 - 2023 data :
 - Analysis is ongoing
 - Energy reconstruction : done
 - Non-uniformity correction
 - Energy scale history
 - + trial to improve the resolution
 - Non-linear response correction
 - sensitivity prospect : almost reach $O(10^{-14})$
- > aim to reach the final sensitivity :

$$(5-6) \times 10^{-14}$$



Back up

Charged Lepton Flavor Violation

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- Strong evidence of new physics once it observes
- Grand Unified Theory predicts cLFV
 - SUSY-GUT, SUSY-seesaw
 - Typical prediction :
 - $\text{Br}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) \sim O(10^{-14})$
 - Can be observed realistically
- In Standard Model, it is practically prohibited : $\text{Br}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) = 10^{-30}$
- In BSM, $\text{Br}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) \sim O(10^{-14})$ is predicted (not observed yet)

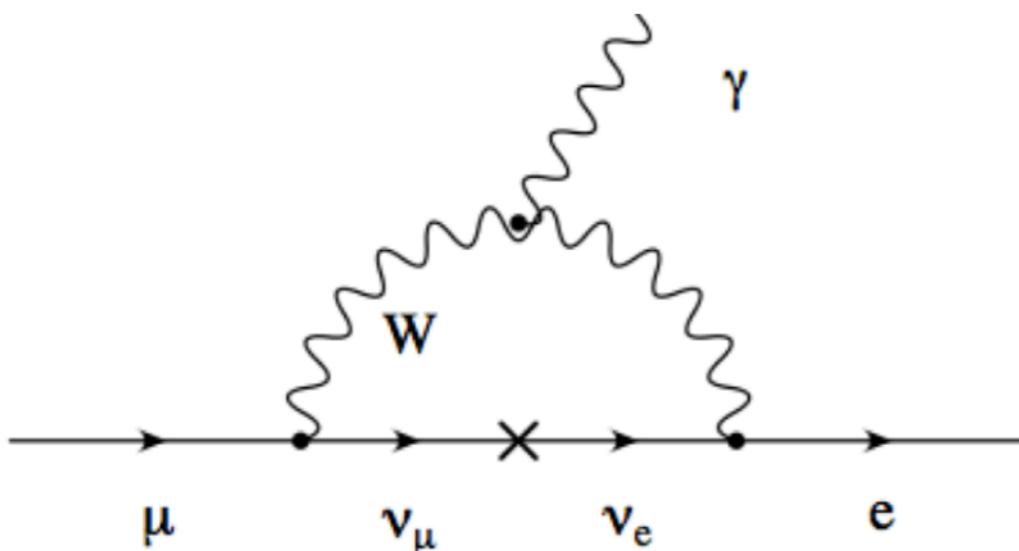
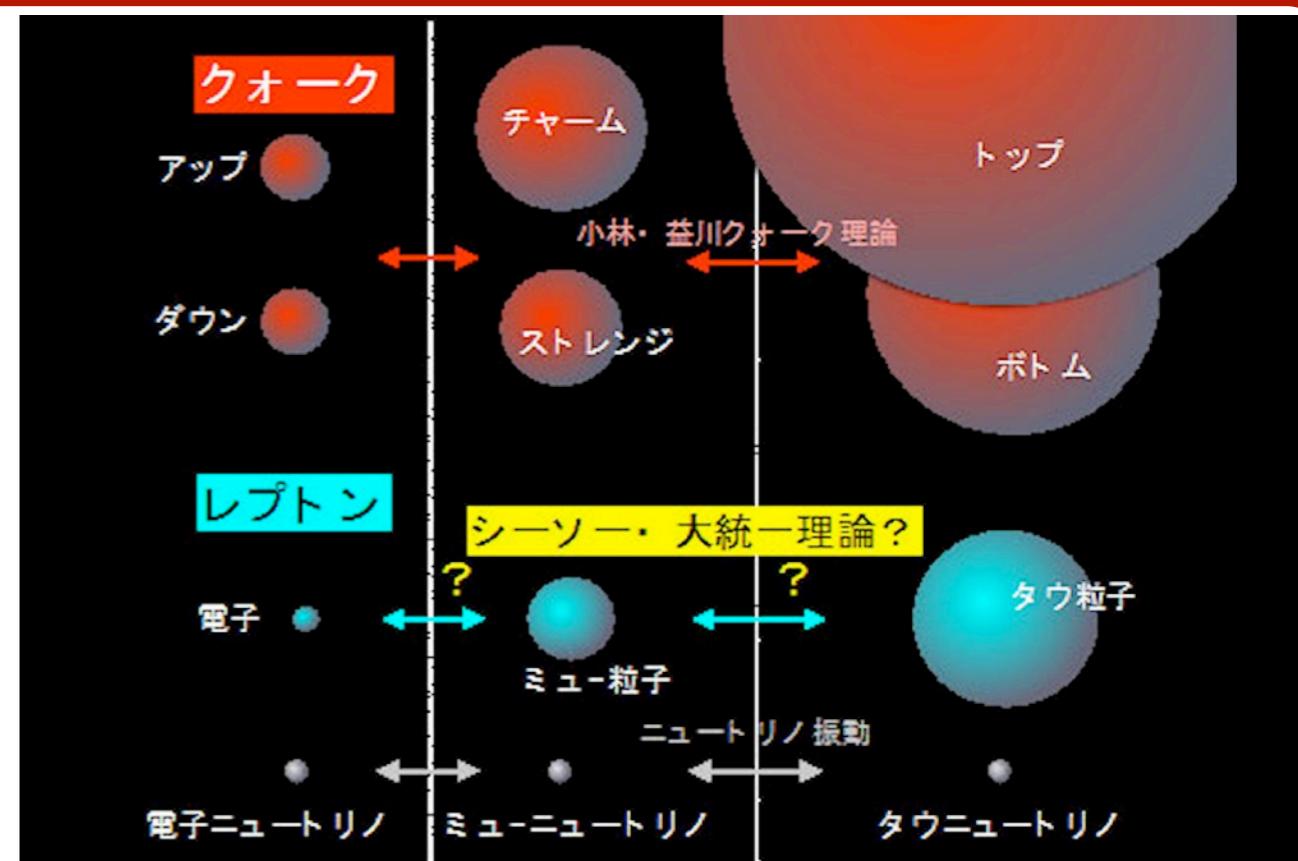
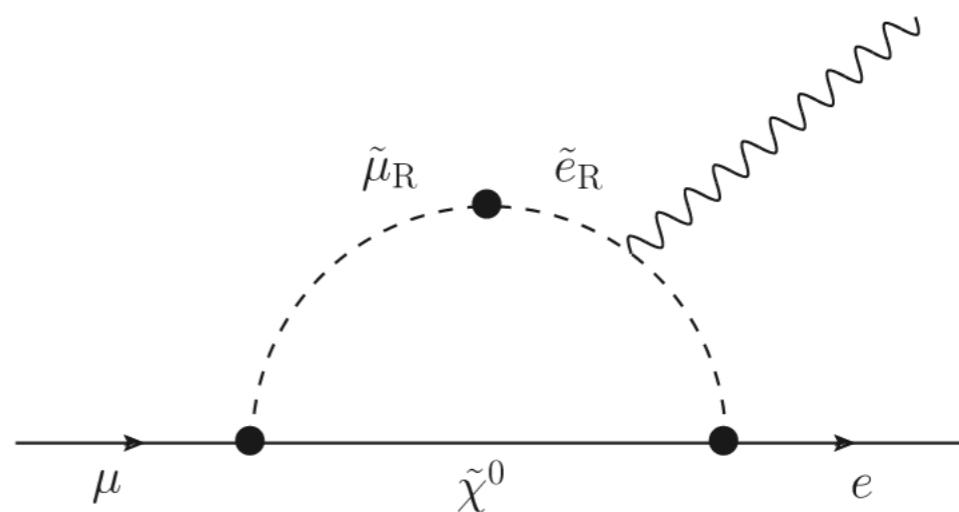


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Possible diagram in SUSY-GUT scenario

MEG II experiment : signal and background

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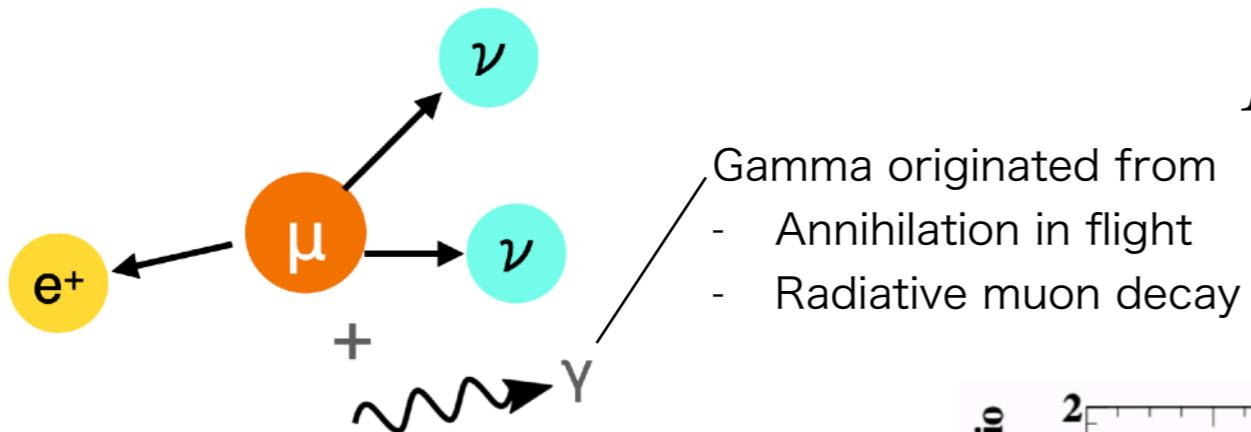
- Signal : Gamma-ray and positron with 52.8 MeV ($=m_\mu/2$)



back-to-back
on-timing

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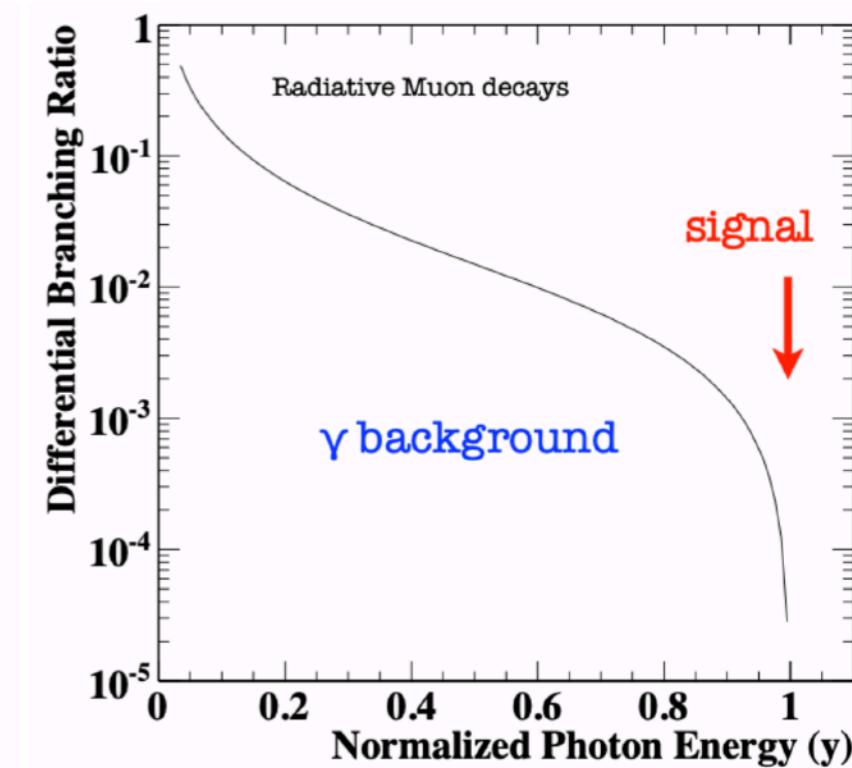
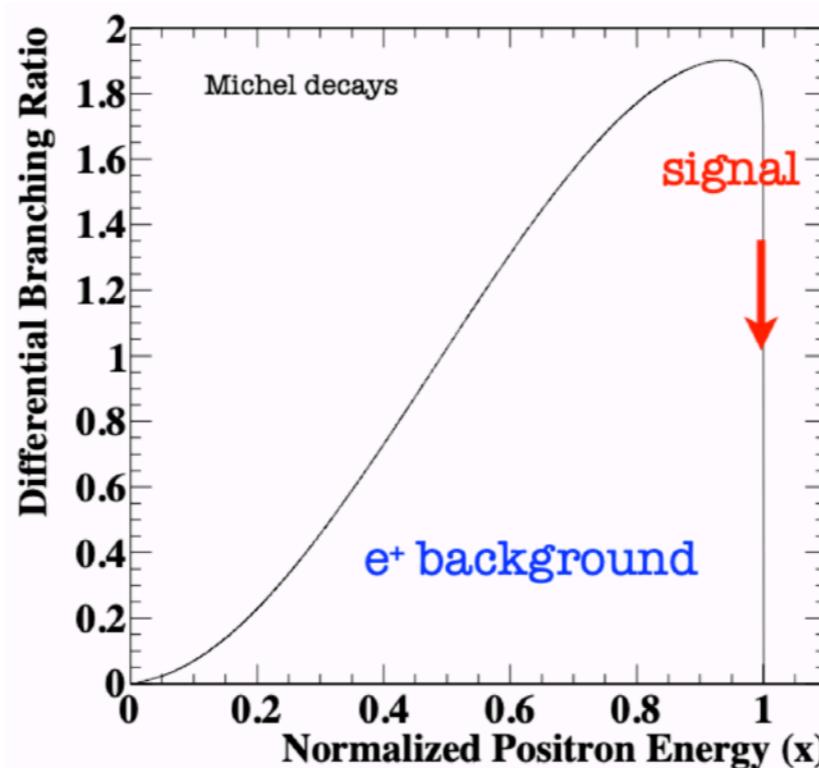
- Dominant background : Accidental coincidence of Michel positron and gamma



Gamma originated from
 - Annihilation in flight
 - Radiative muon decay

$$N_{acc} \propto R_\mu^2 \times T \times \Delta E_\gamma^2 \times \Delta E_e \times \Delta \Theta_{e\gamma}^2 \times \Delta T_{e\gamma}$$

beam rate time Resolutions



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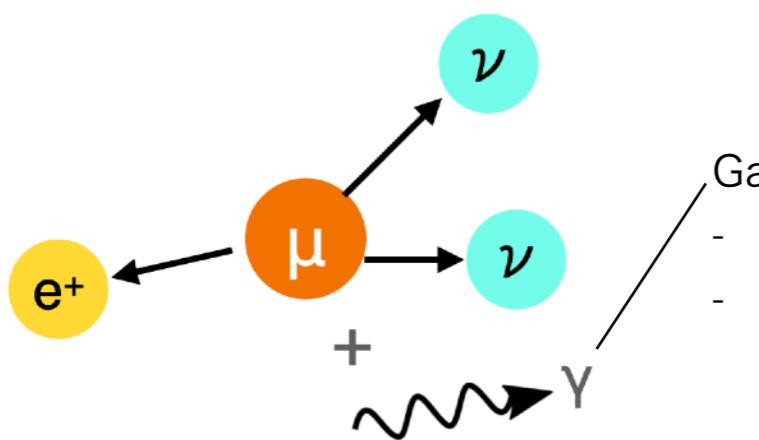
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High intensity continuous beam is preferred



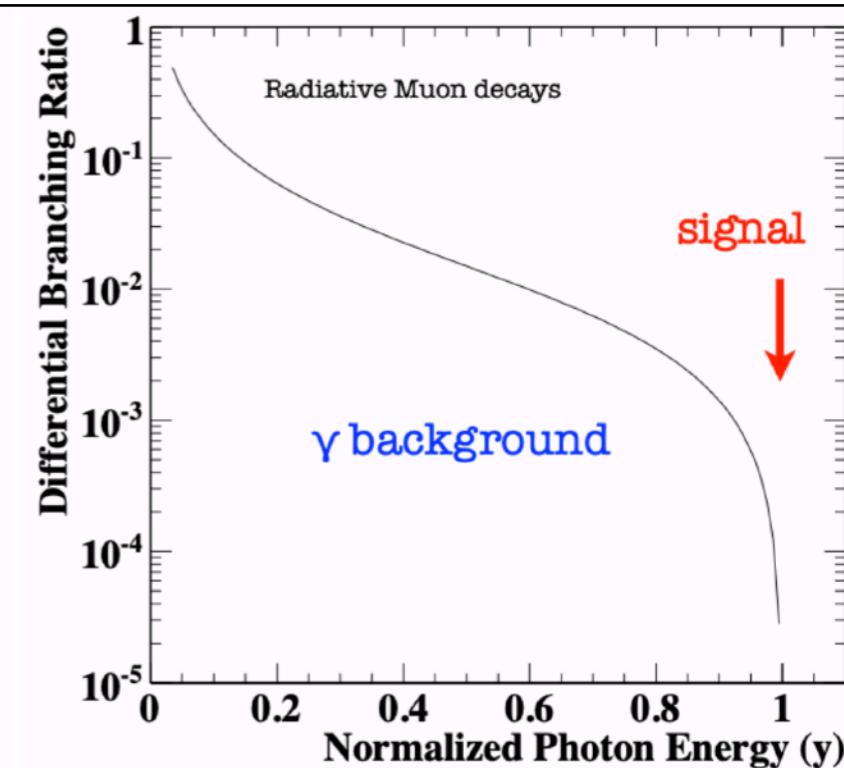
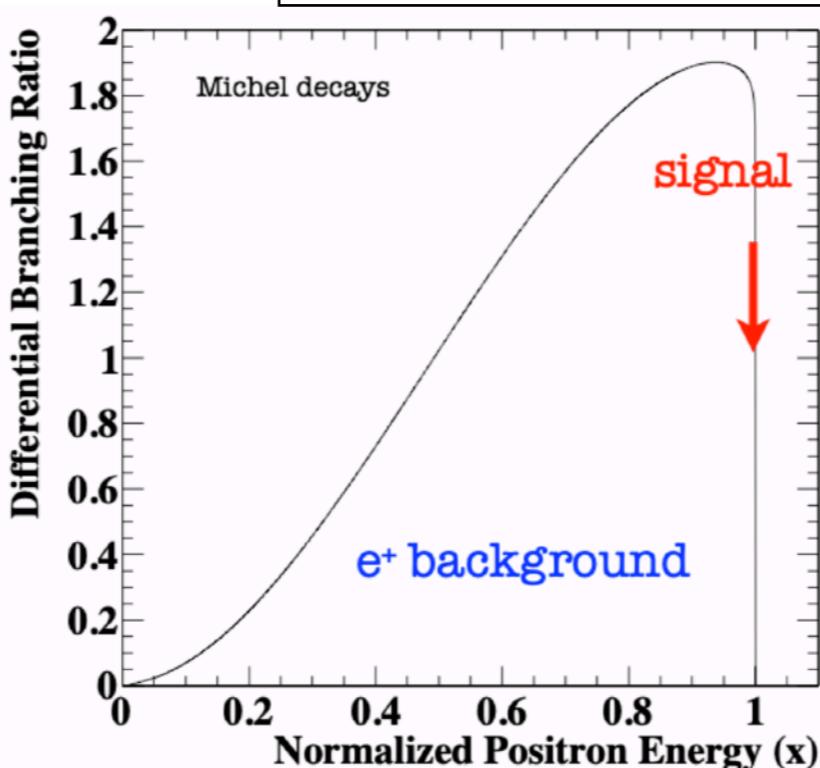
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Resolutions

Detector with good resolutions is key to reduce BGs

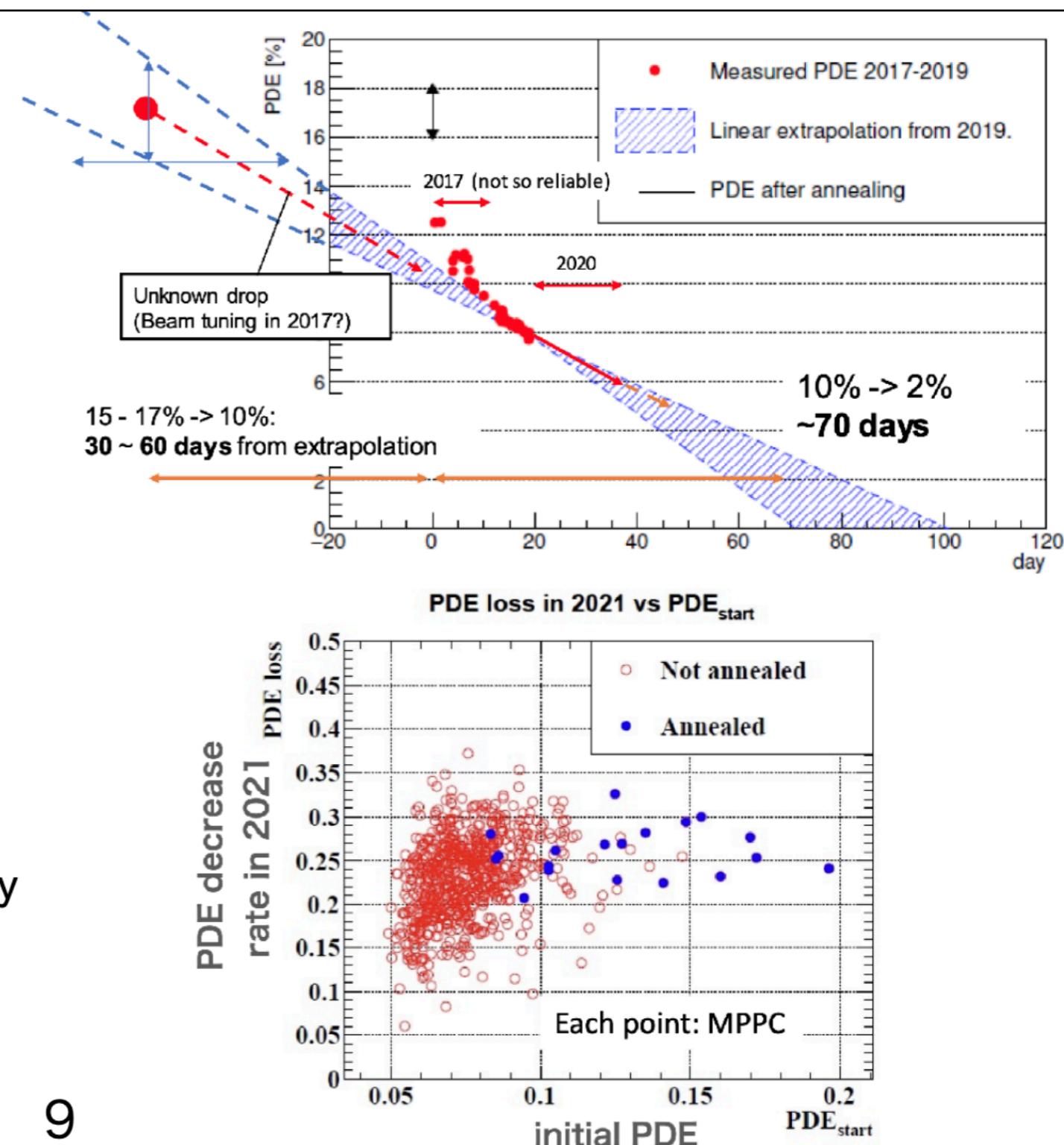


PDE decrease

Slide from T. Iwamoto (15aA562-4)

γ detector (LXe) Issue

- MPPC PDE decrease
 - observed in 2017 under muon beam
 - The cause to be investigated
 - Based on 2021 operation, PDE will change from 16% to 2% in ~100 days MEG II intensity
 - Annealing recovers PDE fully
- Strategy for run 2022
 - LXe MPPC can sustain ~ **120 days with $5 \times 10^7 \mu/s$**
 - Beam intensity optimization necessary
 - **Annealing for all MPPCs** during accelerator winter shutdown period



Pileup rejection update in the liquid xenon detector

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- Pileup search and unfolding
 - Using information of spacial clustering and #pulses in sum waveform
 - Then unfold the sum waveform by template waveform fit
 - Simultaneous fit between PMT and MPPC sum waveform is performed

