

# Lepton Flavor Violation in $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ MEG Experiment

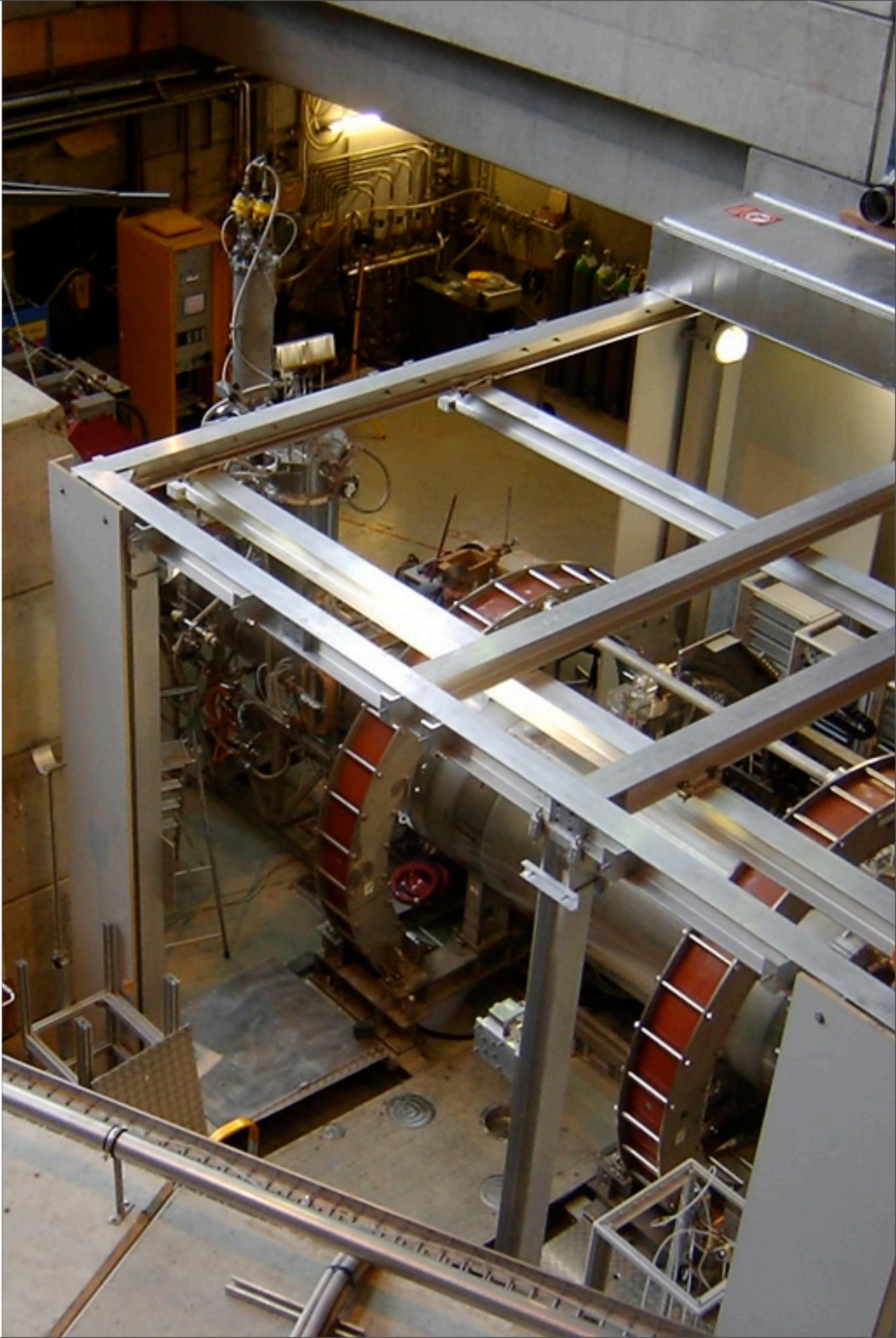
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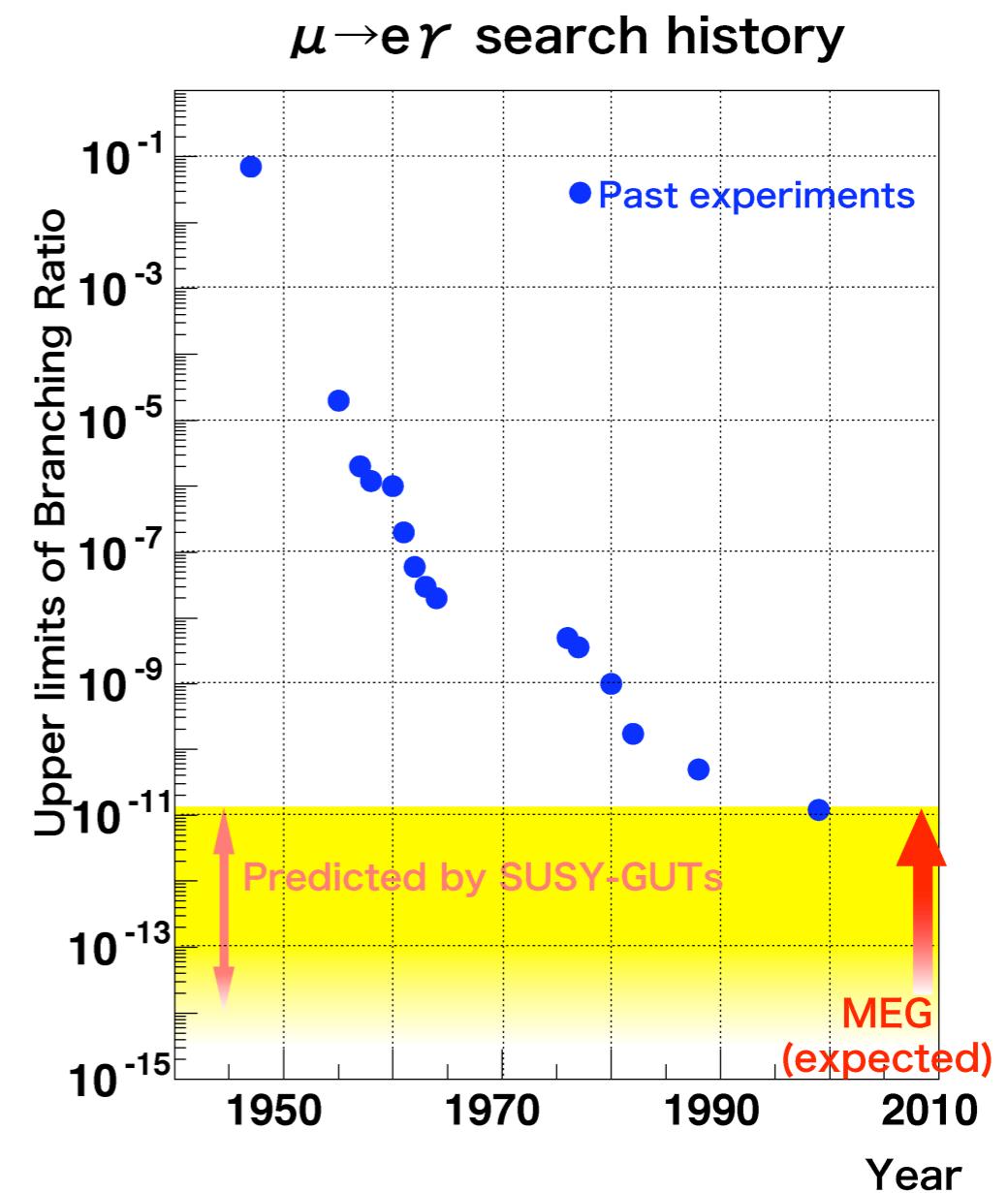
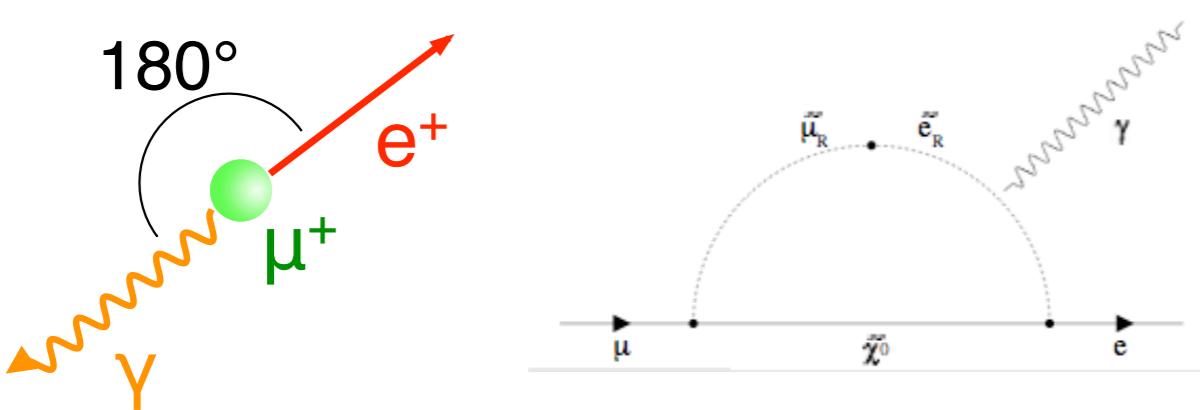
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# What Is MEG?

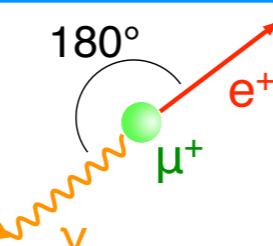
- MEG is an upcoming experiment to seek evidence for lepton flavor violating muon decay,  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ .
- Expected sensitivity  $\sim BR \sim 10^{-13}$  improving the present limit by two orders of magnitude.
- There's a real chance to discover evidence of new physics beyond the SM such as SUSY-GUTs.



# What's Necessary for $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ Search?

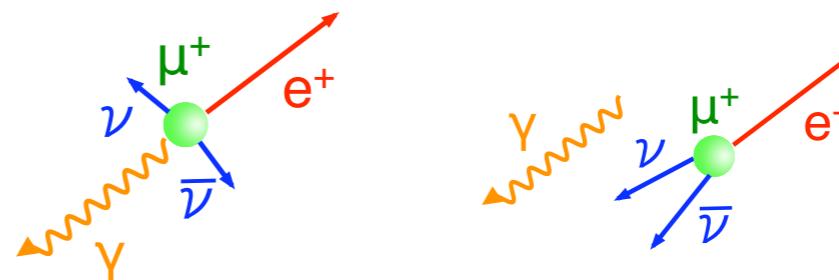
- A lot of muons
  - High intensity  $\mu^+$  beam
  - High duty factor to minimize accidental background
- Good detector
  - Precise measurements of energy, timing and angle for positron and gamma
  - Capability to identify pileups

- Signal
  - Back-to-back
  - Mono-energetic  
 $E_e = 52.8 \text{ MeV}$   $E_\gamma = 52.8 \text{ MeV}$
  - Coincident in time



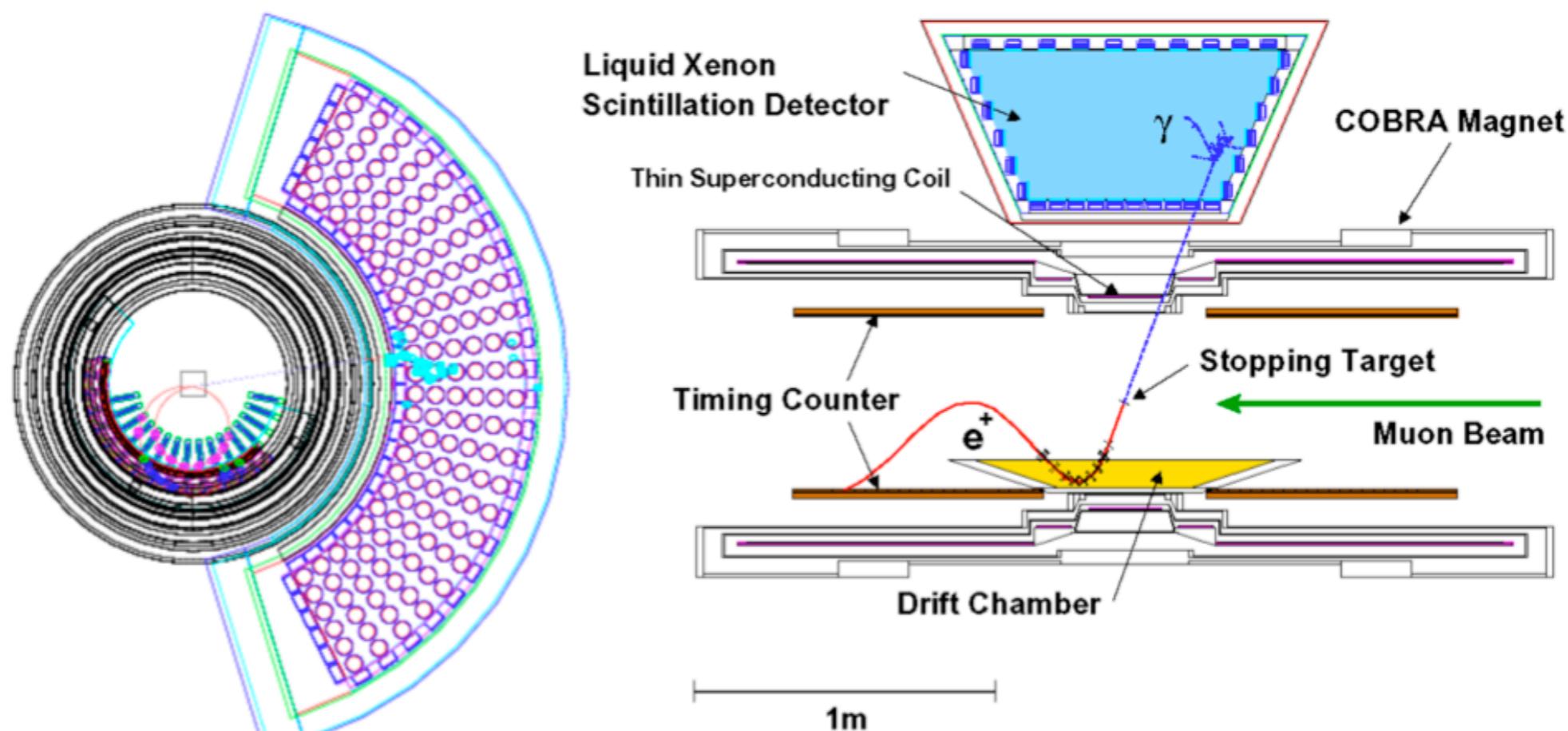
- Background
  - Prompt background:  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma\nu\nu$
  - “Accidental” overlap:  $\mu \rightarrow e\nu\nu + \gamma$

Predominant



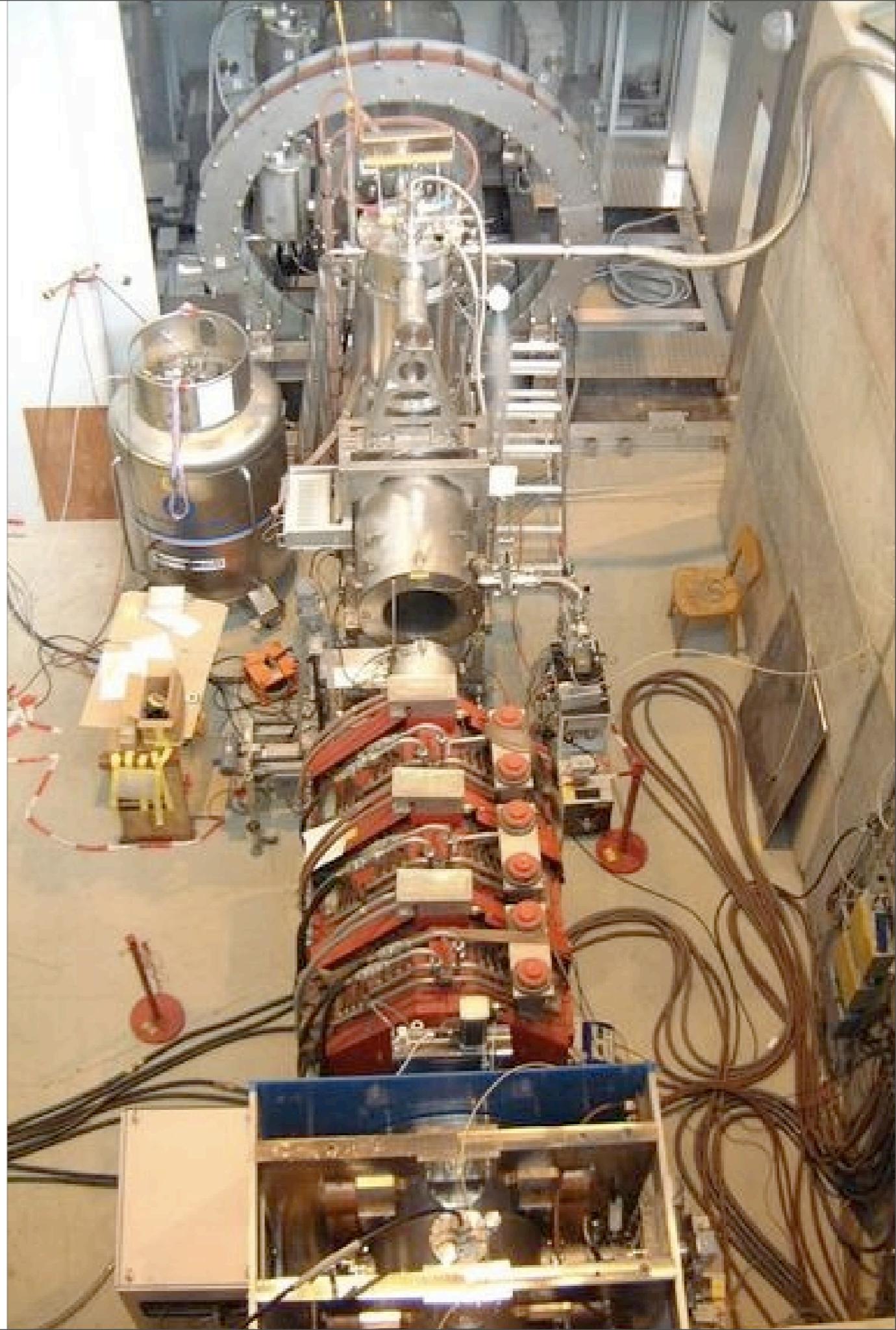
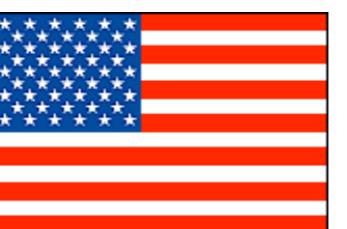
# Our Solution

- World's most intense DC muon beam up to  $10^8 \mu^+/\text{sec}$  at Paul Scherrer Institute
- MEG detector
  - Gamma: LXe scintillation detector
  - Positron: COBRA positron spectrometer with gradient magnetic field.



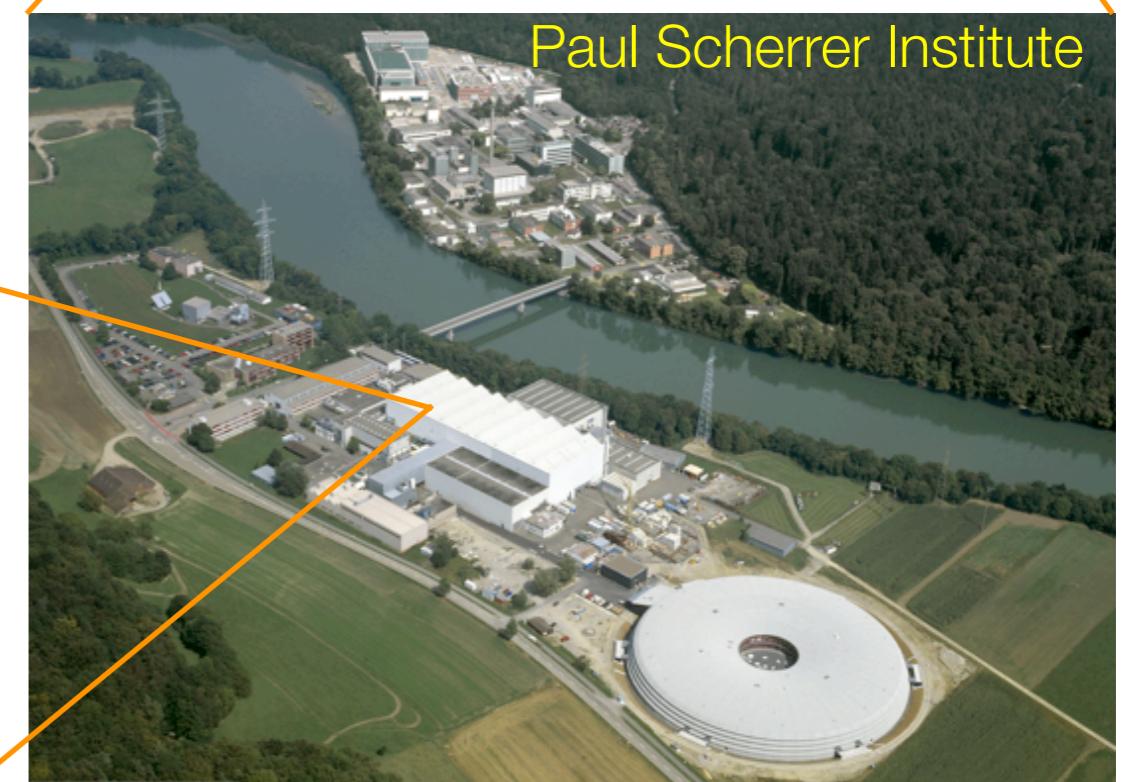
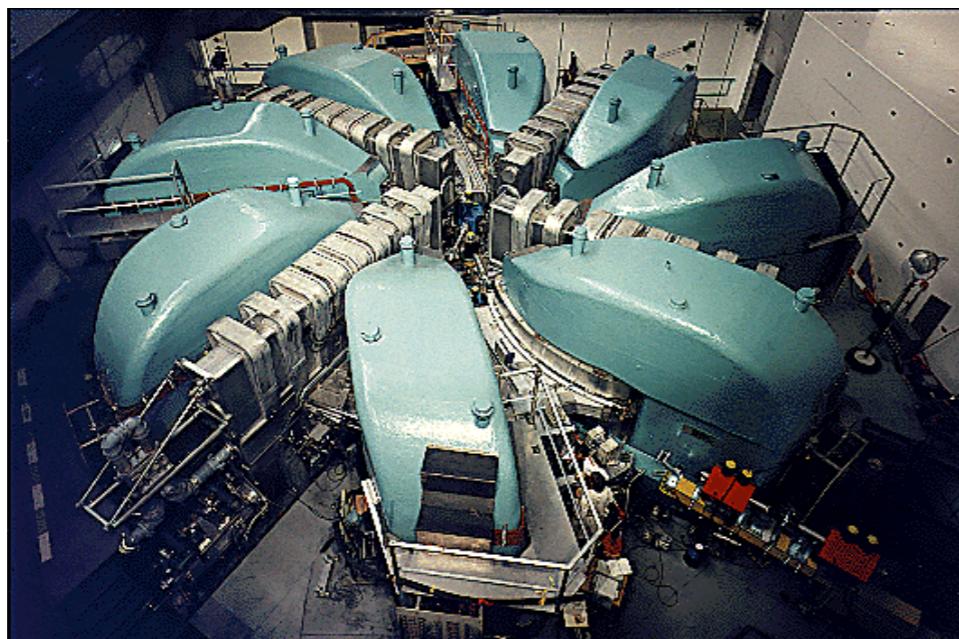
# Beam and Target

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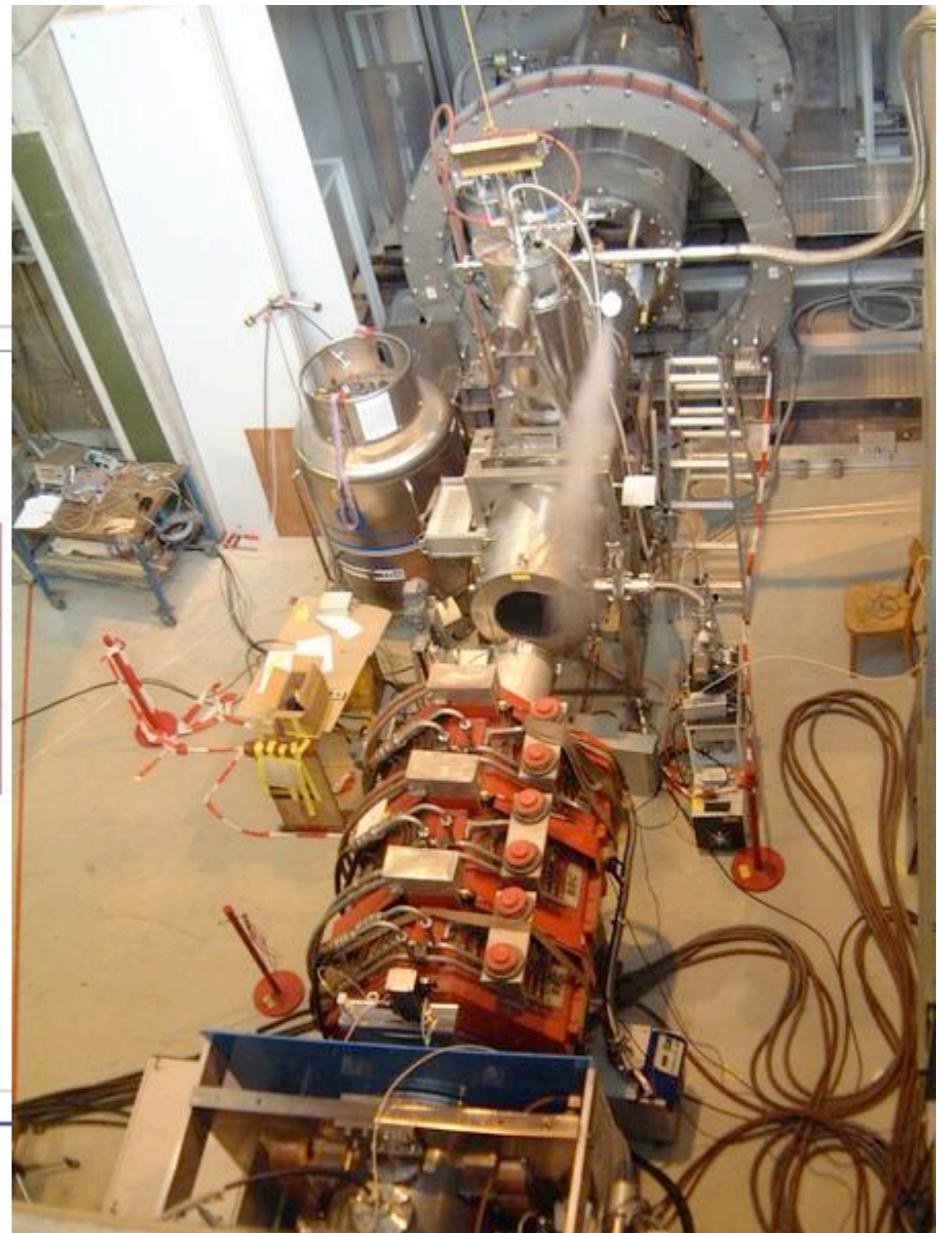
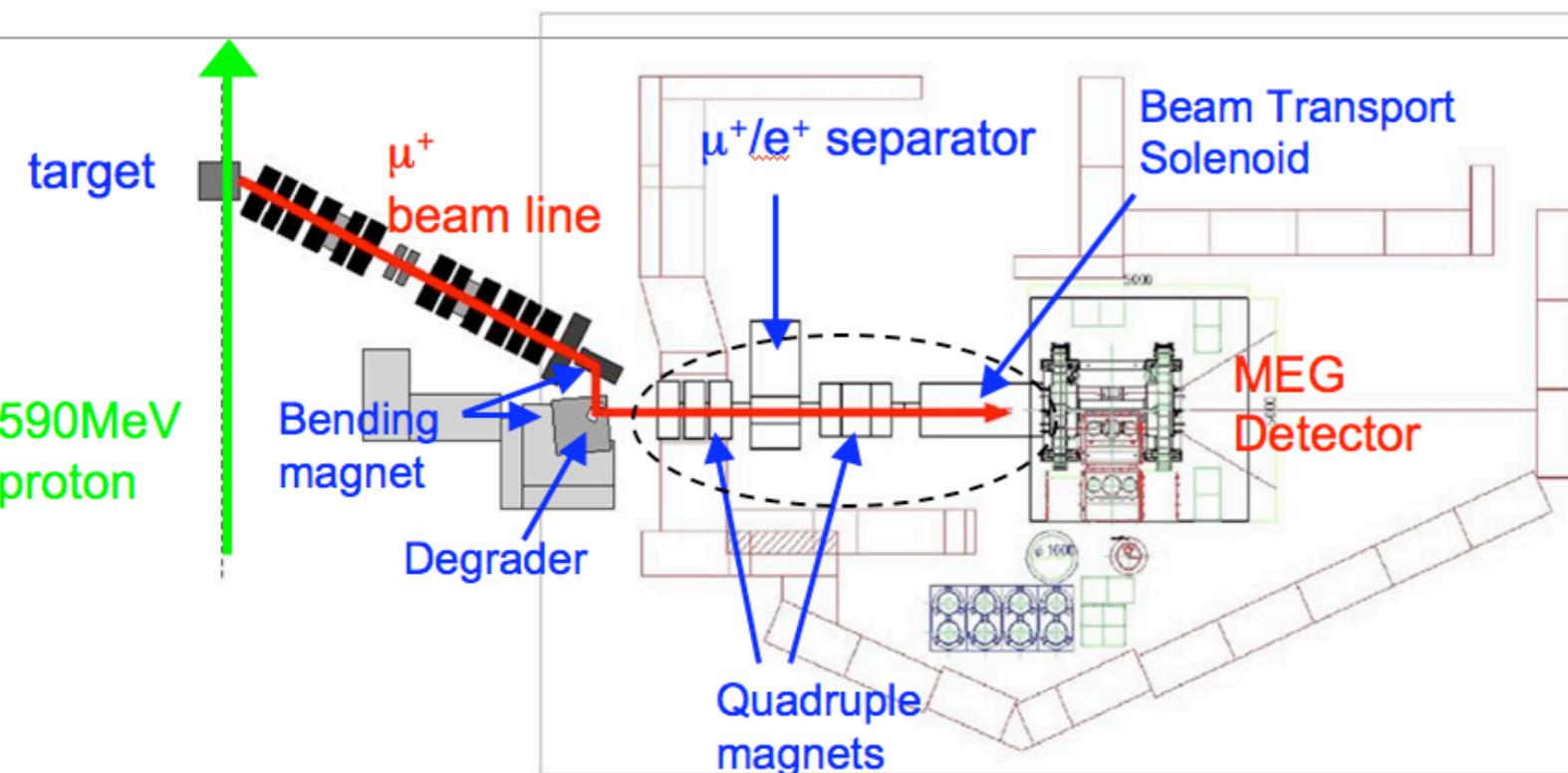
# Accelerator

- PSI is the best place for  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$  search.
- 600MeV ring cyclotron
- Beam power over 1MW
- 1.8-2mA proton current
- Continuous muon beam
- MEG at PSI
  - 1998 LOI
  - 1999 Proposal
  - 1999 Approval



Paul Scherrer Institute

# Beam Transport and Target

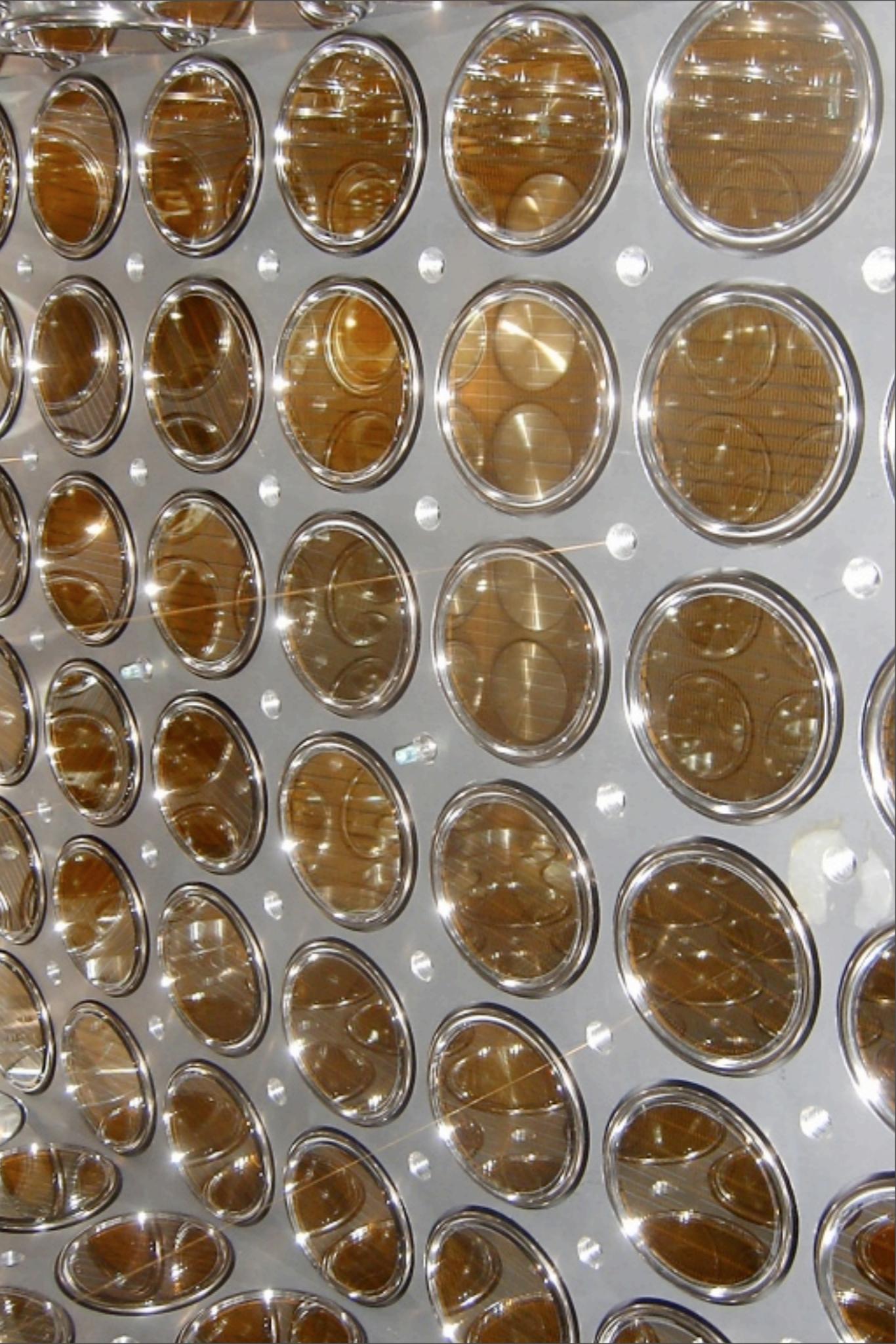
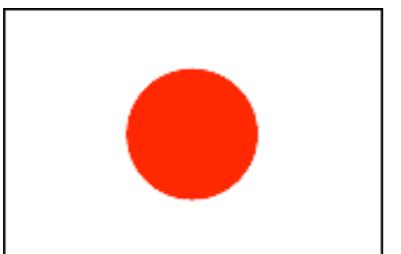


- Beam transport system
  - $\pi E5$  beam channel
  - 28MeV/c surface muon beam  $\sim 10^8/\text{sec}$
  - Wien filter for  $\mu^+/e^+$  separation
  - Superconducting transport solenoid with degrader
- Target
  - 150 $\mu\text{m}$ -thick  $\text{CH}_2$  target supported by Rohacell frame
  - slanted angle 22°



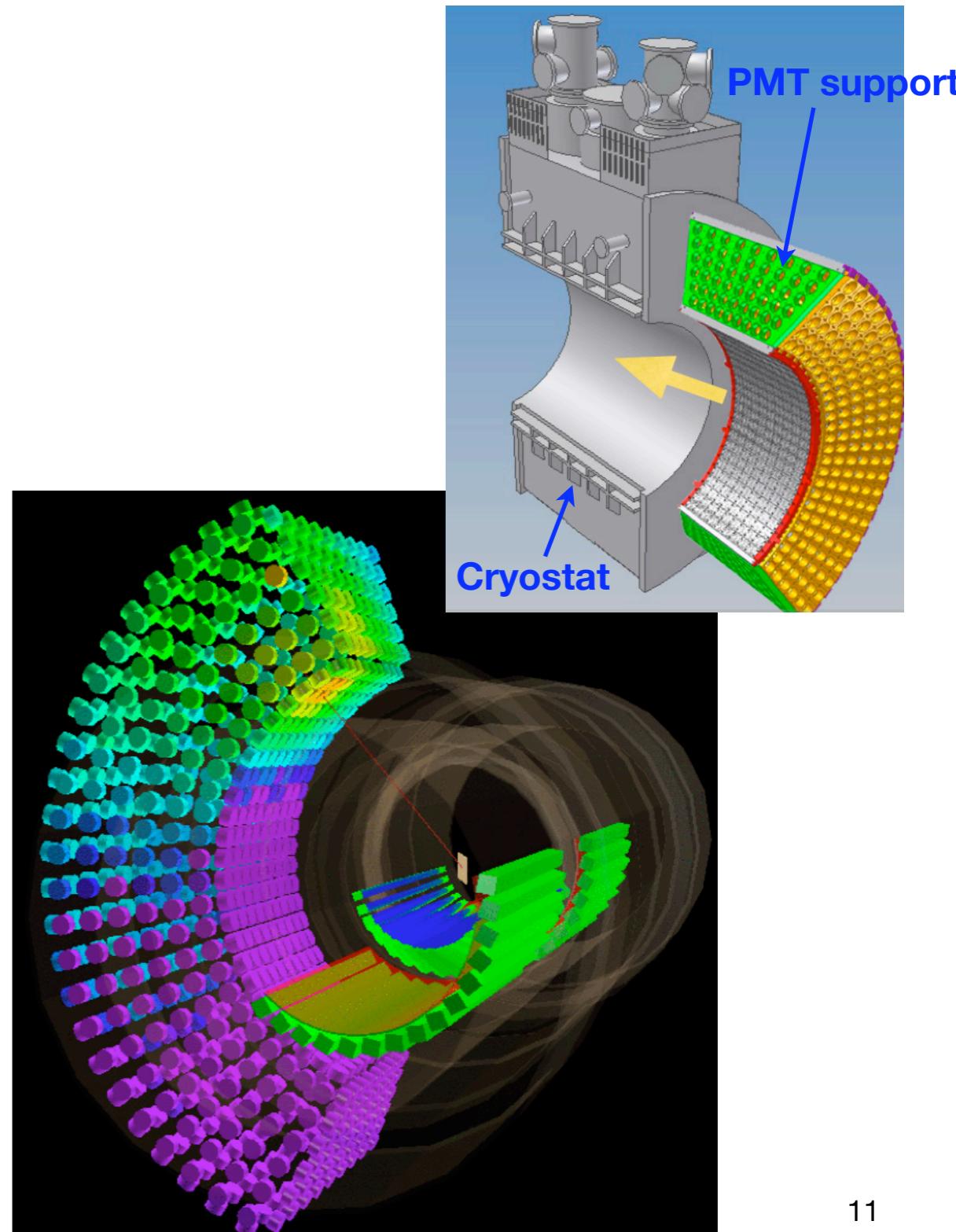
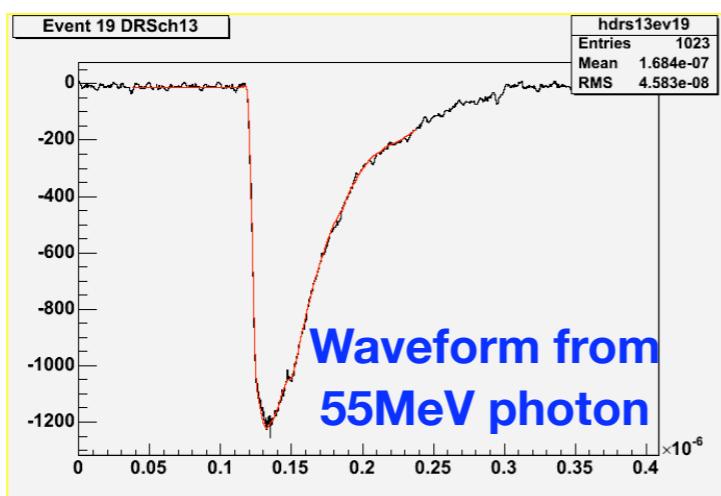
# Liquid Xenon Detector

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# Liquid Xenon Scintillation Detector

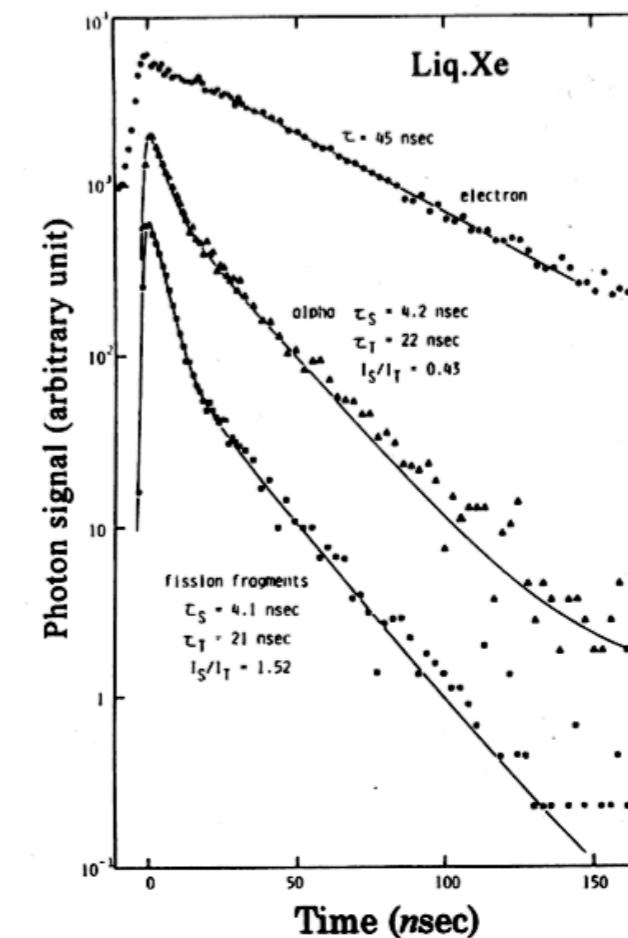
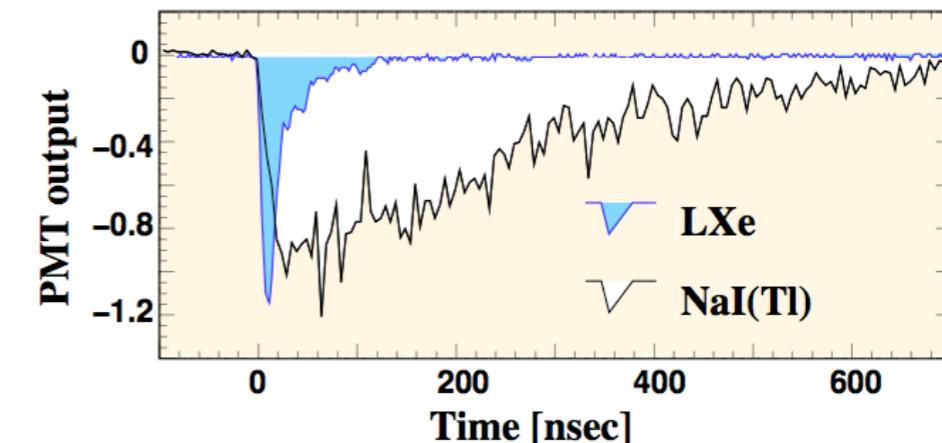
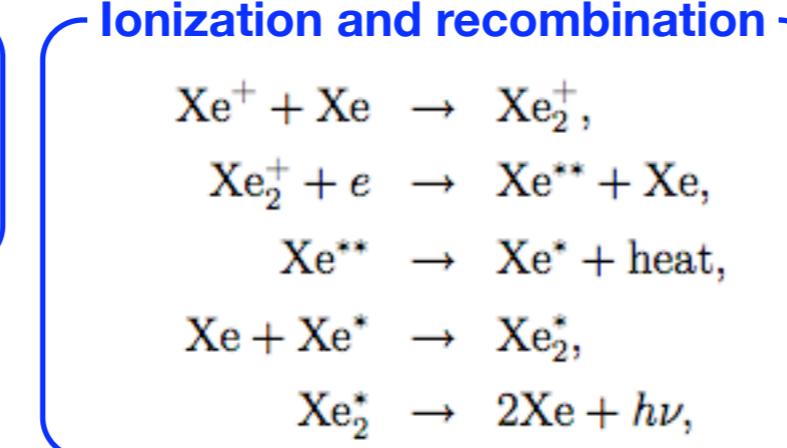
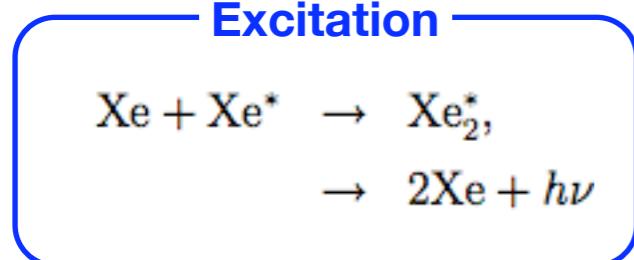
- All sides of C-shape 800L LXe are surrounded by 846 photomultipliers (PMTs).
- How to measure high energy gamma-ray?
  - Energy: collect scintillation light as much as possible
  - Position: PMT output distribution
  - Time: average photon arrival time
- All PMTs are read out by waveform digitizer → pileup ID, particle ID



# Liquid Xenon Photon Detector, cont'd

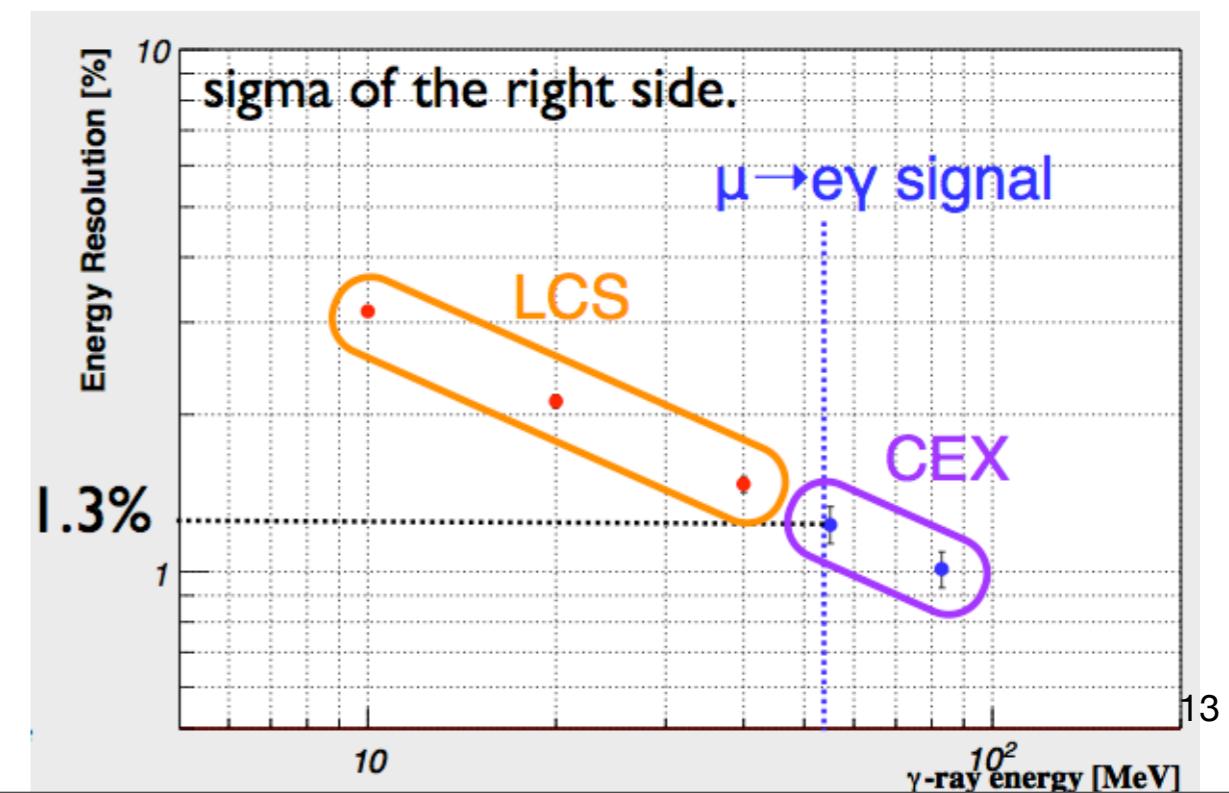
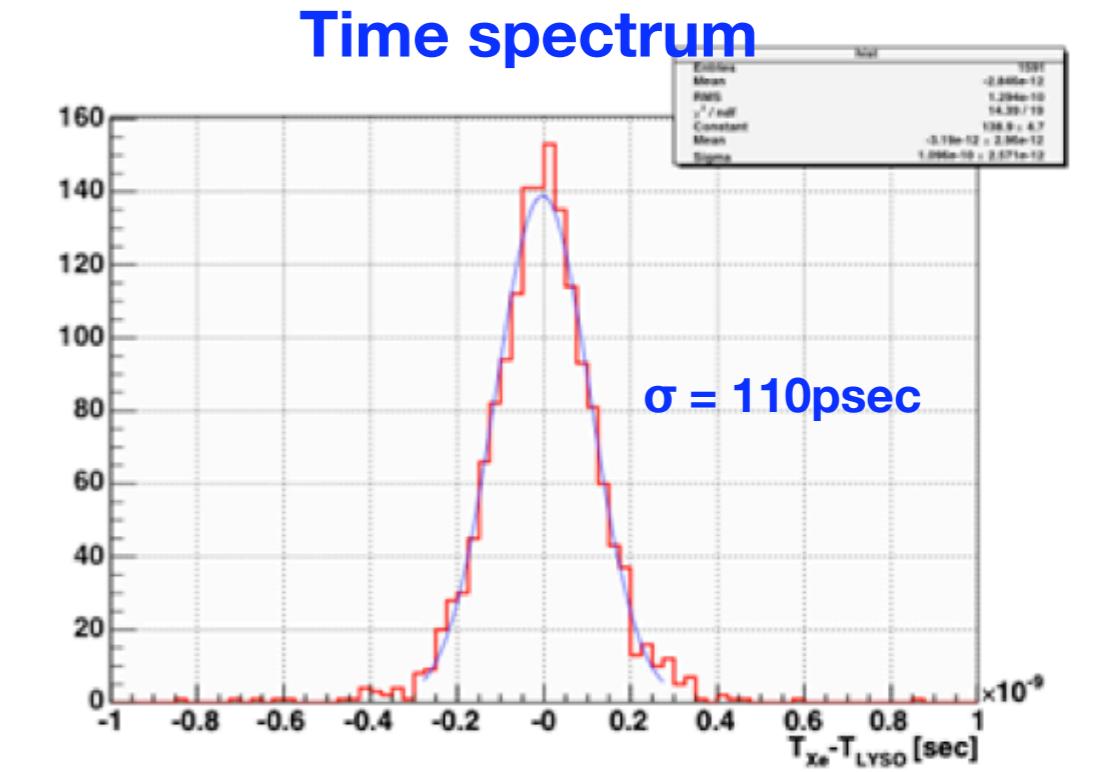
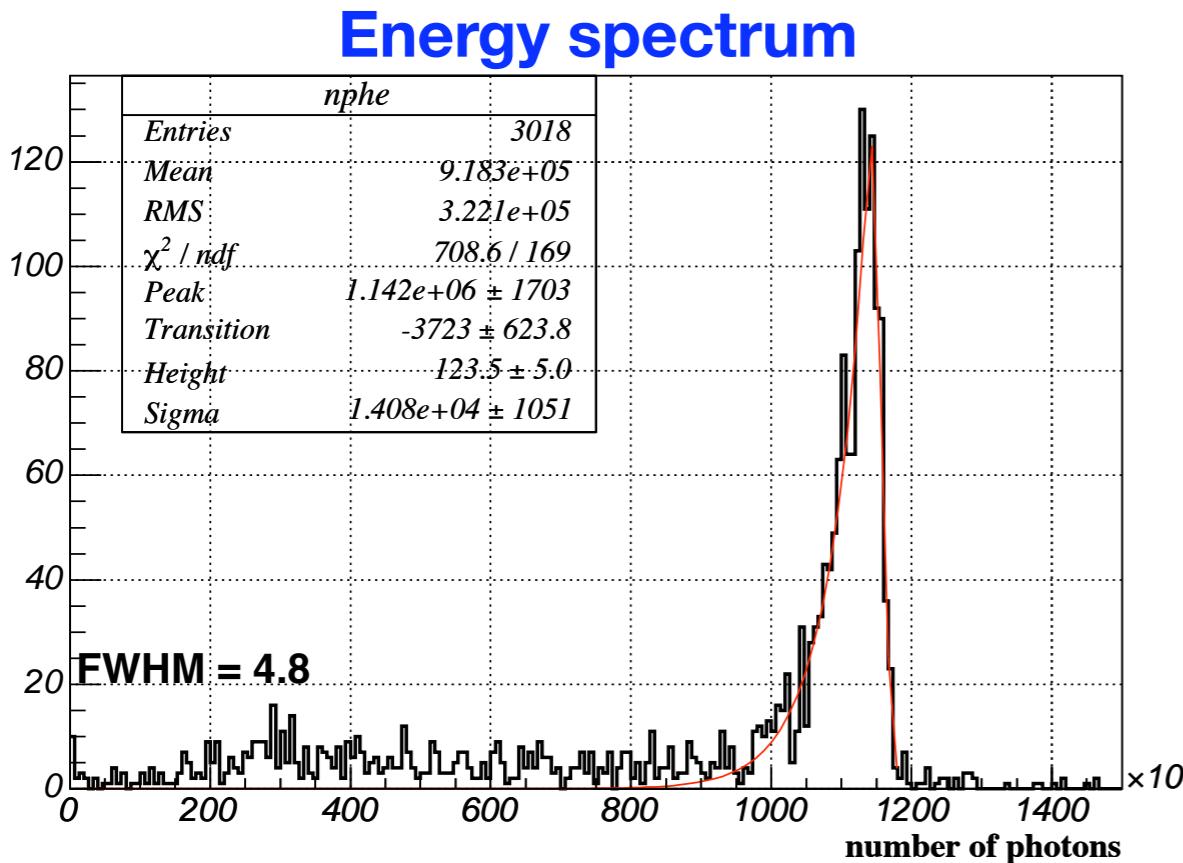
- Why LXe?

- High light yield (75% of NaI(Tl))
- Short radiation length ( $X_0=2.77\text{cm}$ )
- Fast response ( $\tau=4.2\text{ns}, 22\text{ns}, 45\text{ns}$ )
- Homogeneous
- Can be large and non-segmented
- Purification even after the construction
- No self-absorption of scintillation light



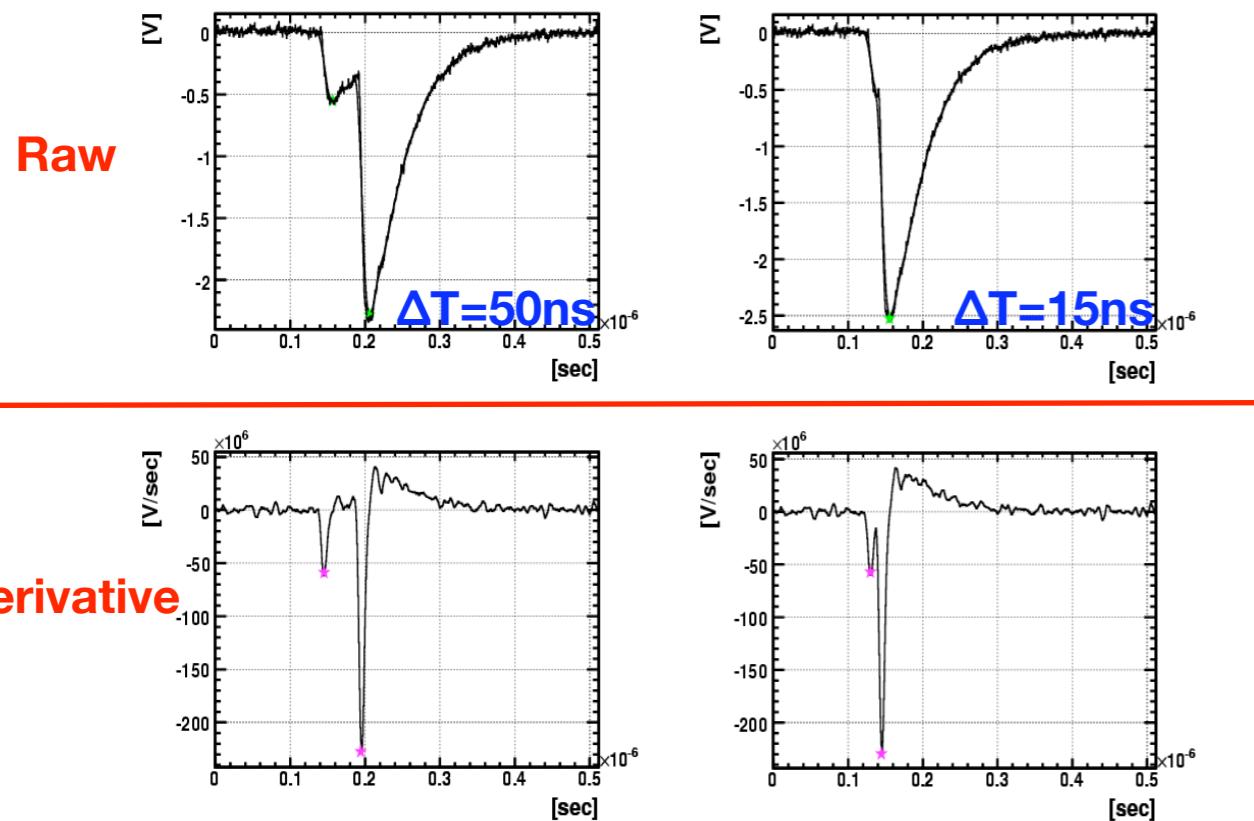
# Performance

- A prototype (100L LXe + 240 PMTs) was tested out with high energy gamma beam.
- Energy resolution for 55MeV  $\gamma$ 
  - 4.8 % (FWHM)
  - 1.23 % ( $\sigma$  on the right side)
- Timing resolution for 55MeV  $\gamma$ : 65 psec ( $\sigma$ )

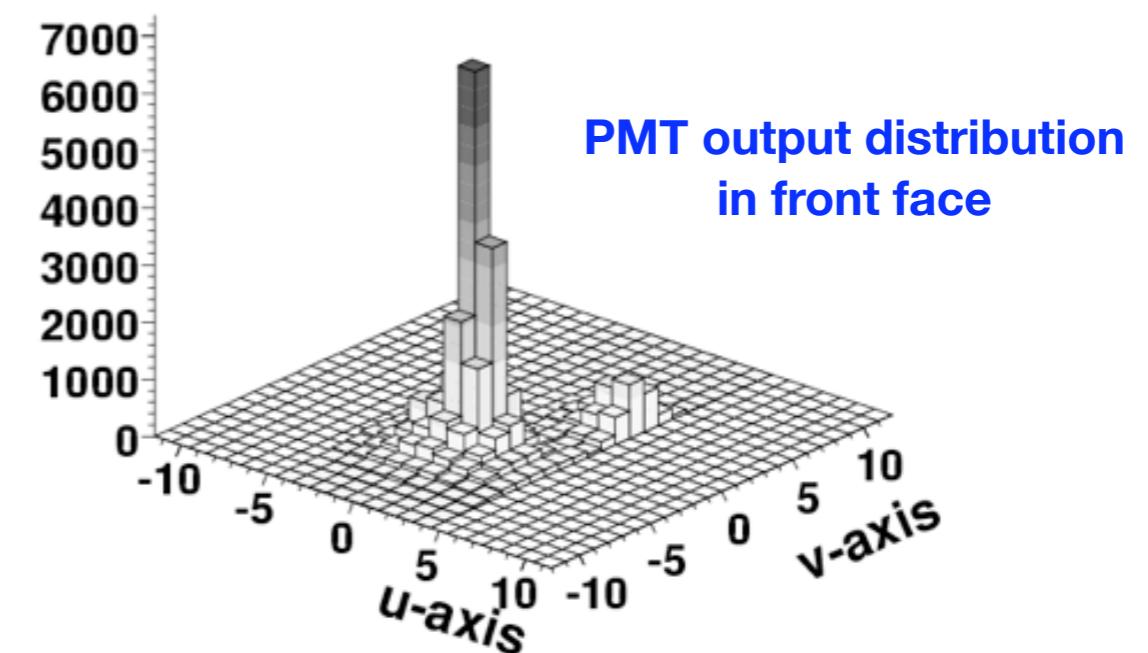


# Pileup Identification in LXe Detector

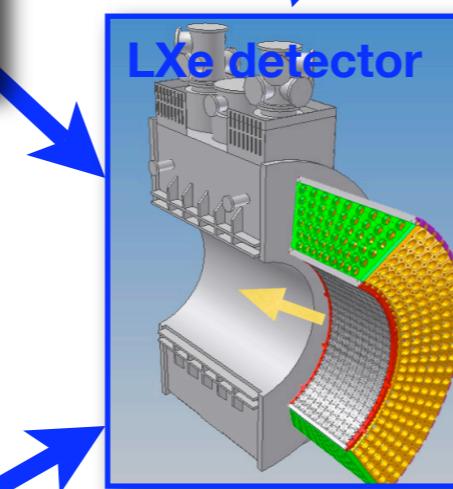
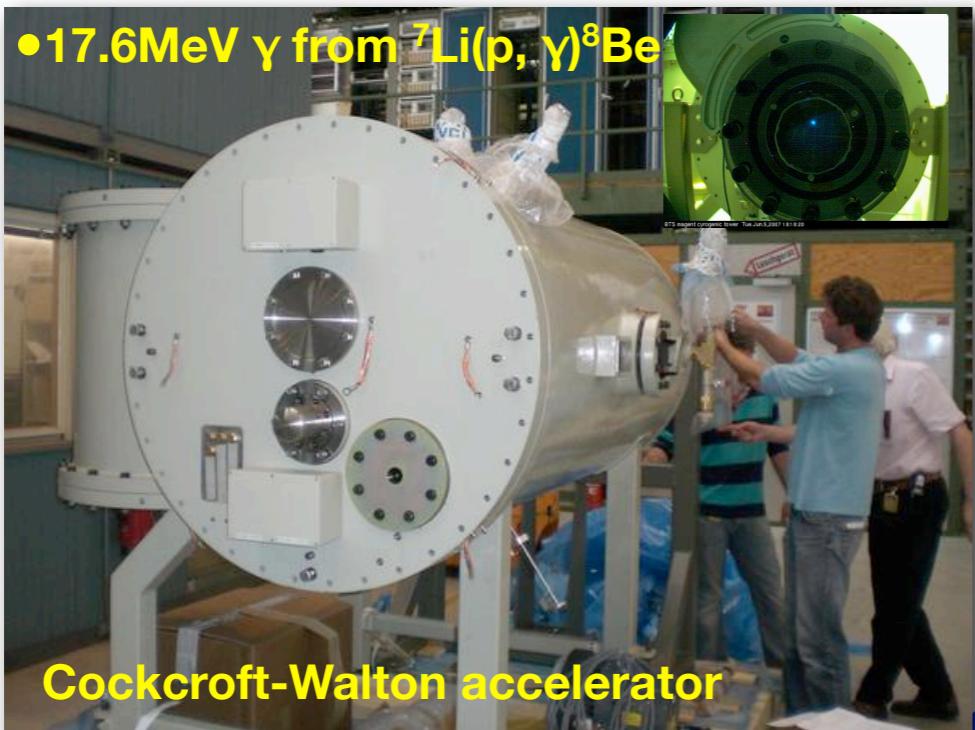
Waveform analysis  
(peak finding and pulse shape fitting)



Peak finding in PMT output distribution

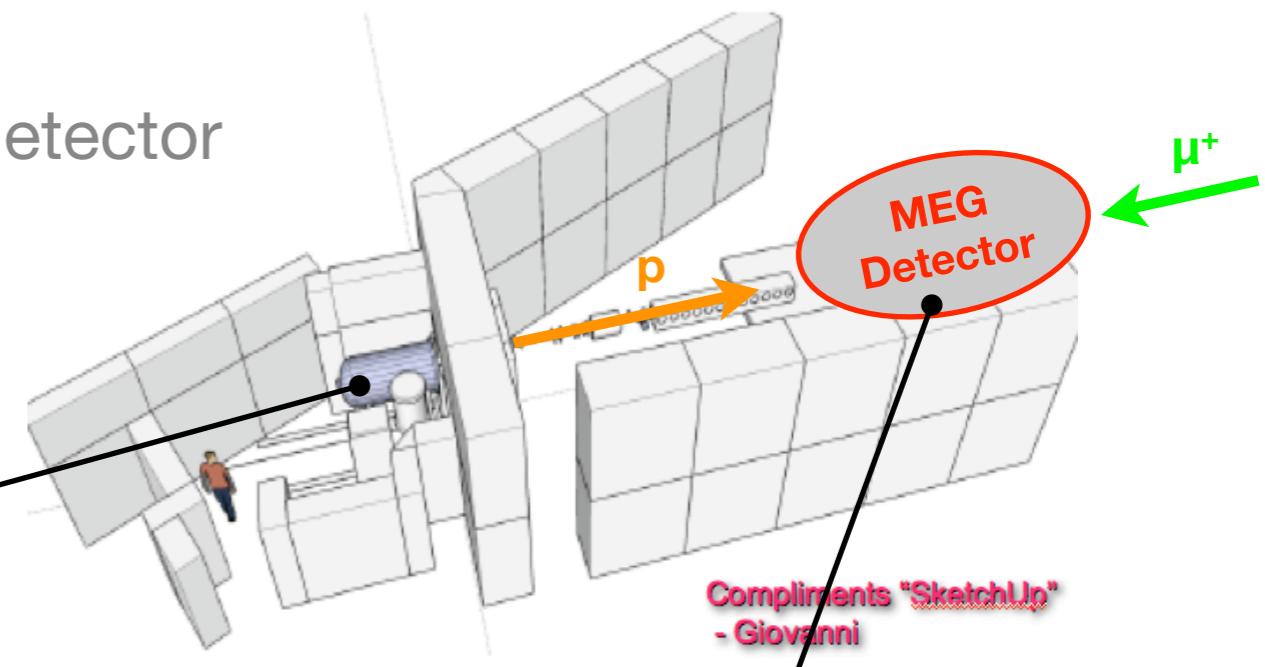


# Calibration and Monitoring

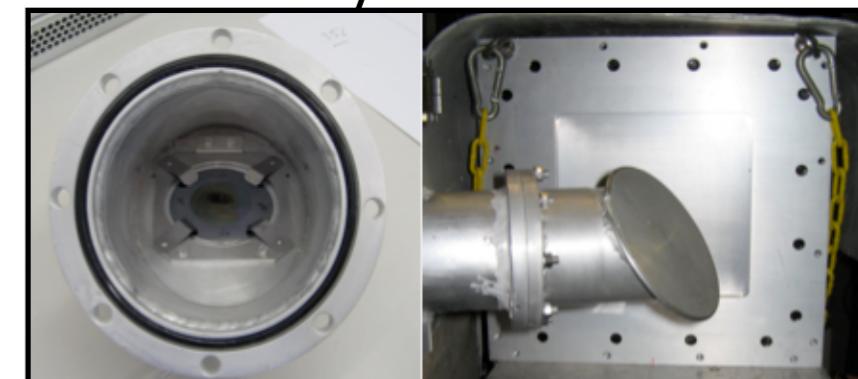
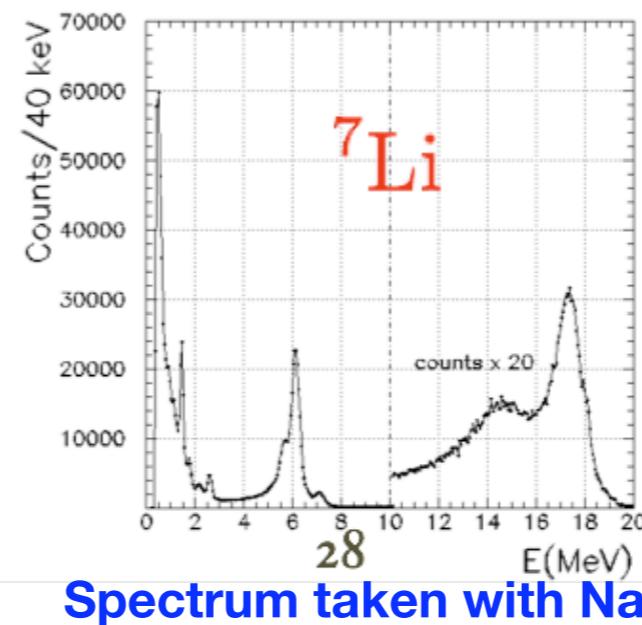


# MEG Cockcroft-Walton Accelerator

- Cockcroft-Walton proton accelerator dedicated for calibration of LXe detector
- Placed at downstream side of the MEG detector
- Monoenergetic  $\gamma$ -ray from  $^7\text{Li}(\text{p}, \gamma)^8\text{Be}$ 
  - 17.6MeV and 14.6MeV



500keV Cockcroft-Walton accelerator



LiF target

# 800L Full-Scale Detector

The last missing piece has just arrived...



Cryostat arrived at PSI



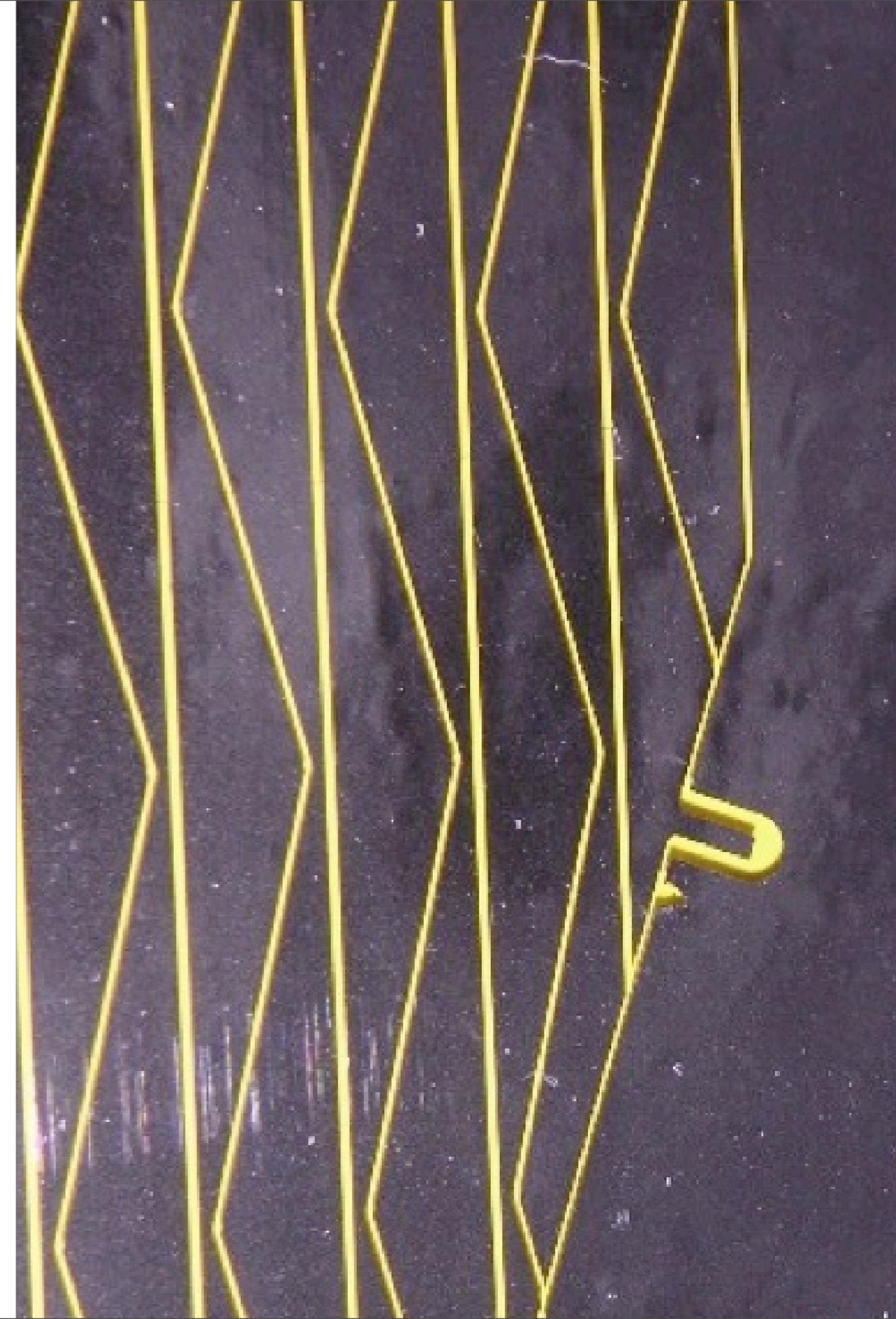
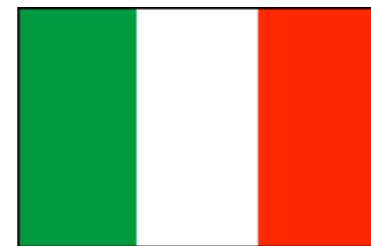
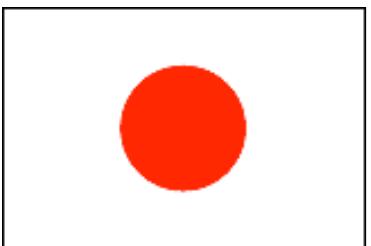
900L LXe kept in storage cryostat



Xe storage tanks

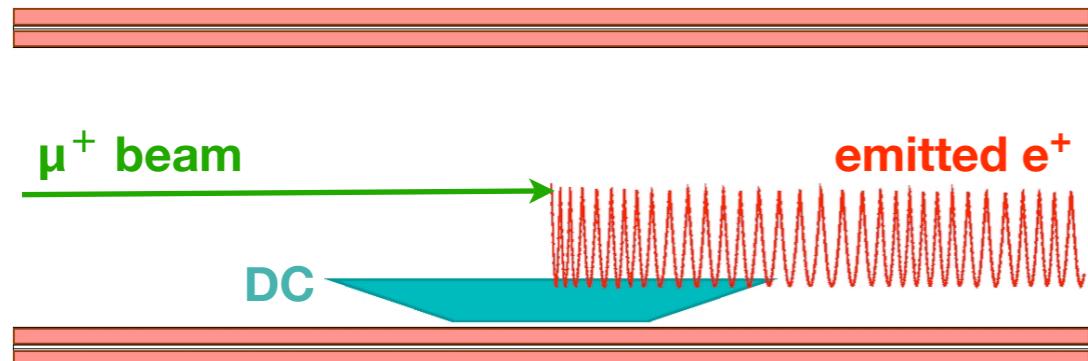
# COBRA Spectrometer

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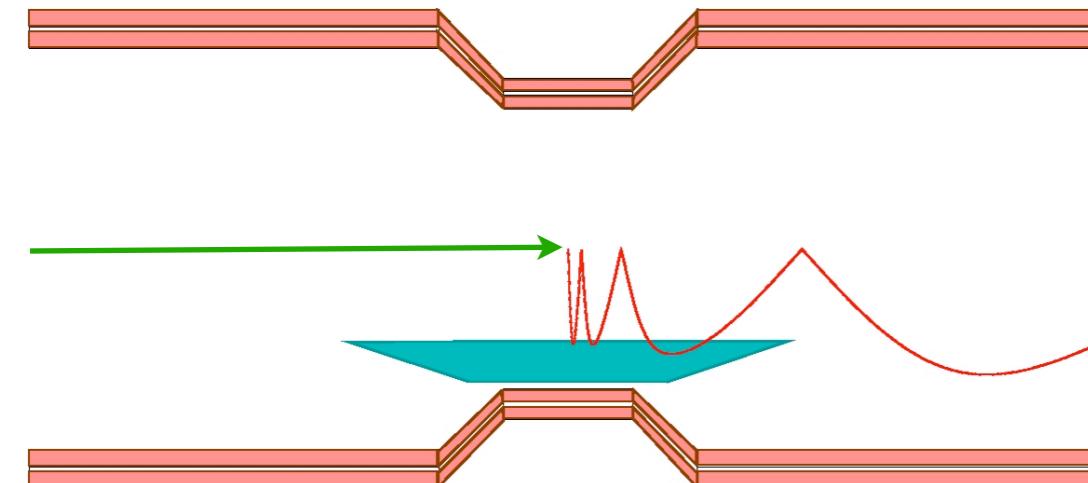


# COBRA Spectrometer: Concept

uniform B-field

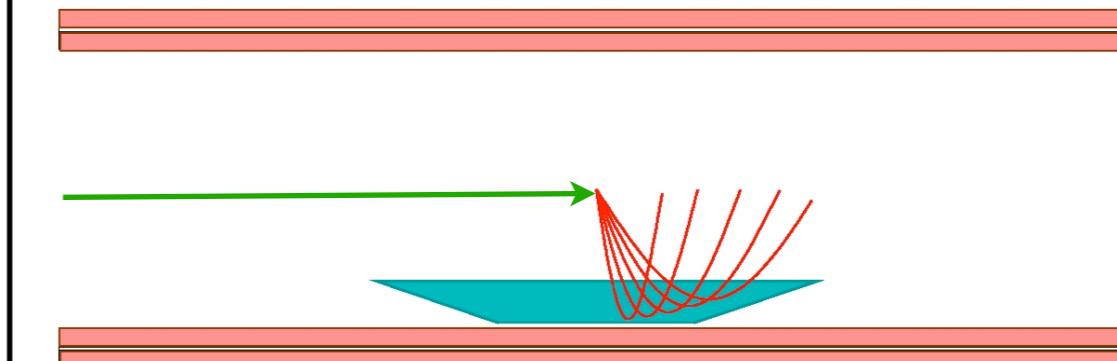


gradient B-field

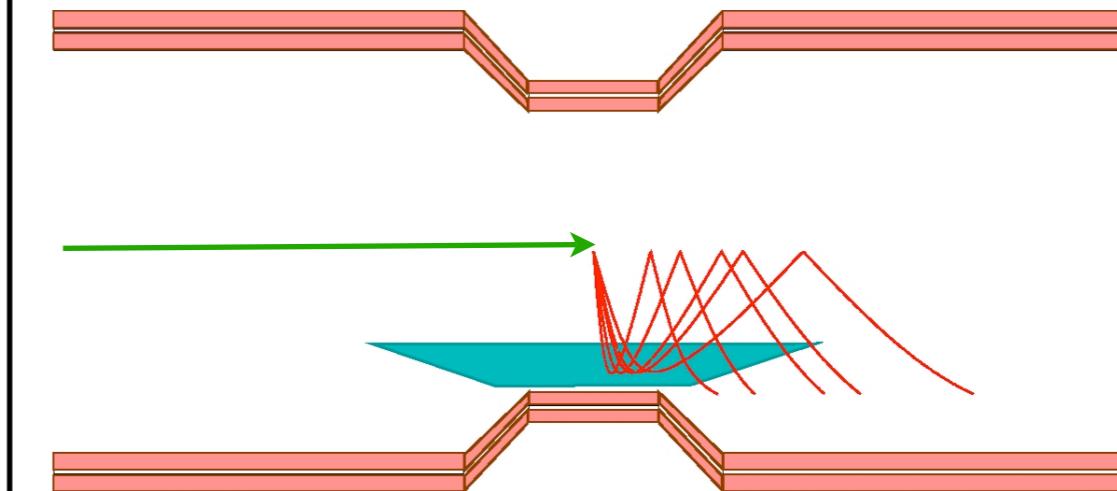


Low energy positrons  
quickly swept out

uniform B-field



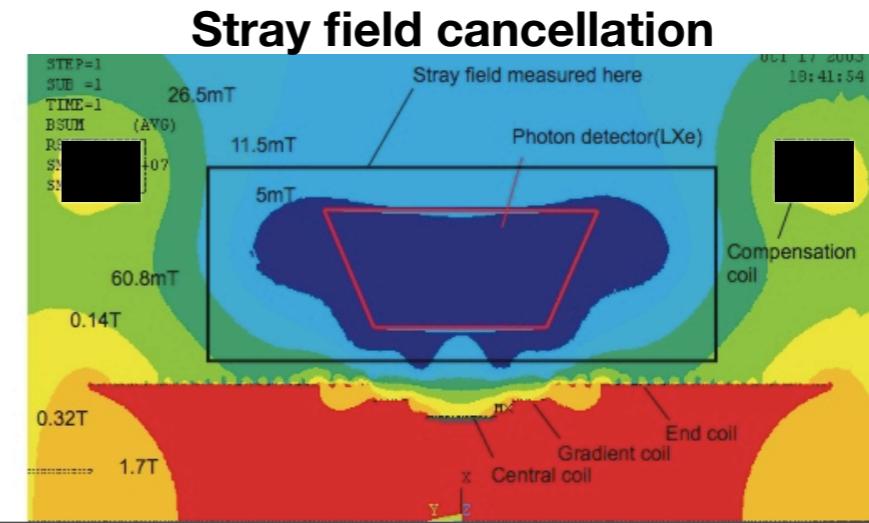
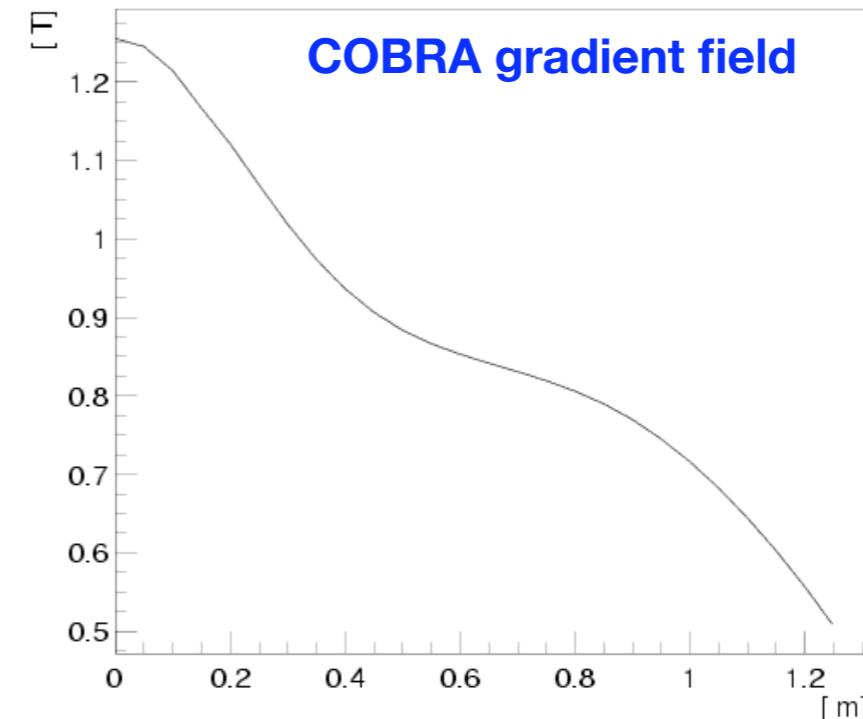
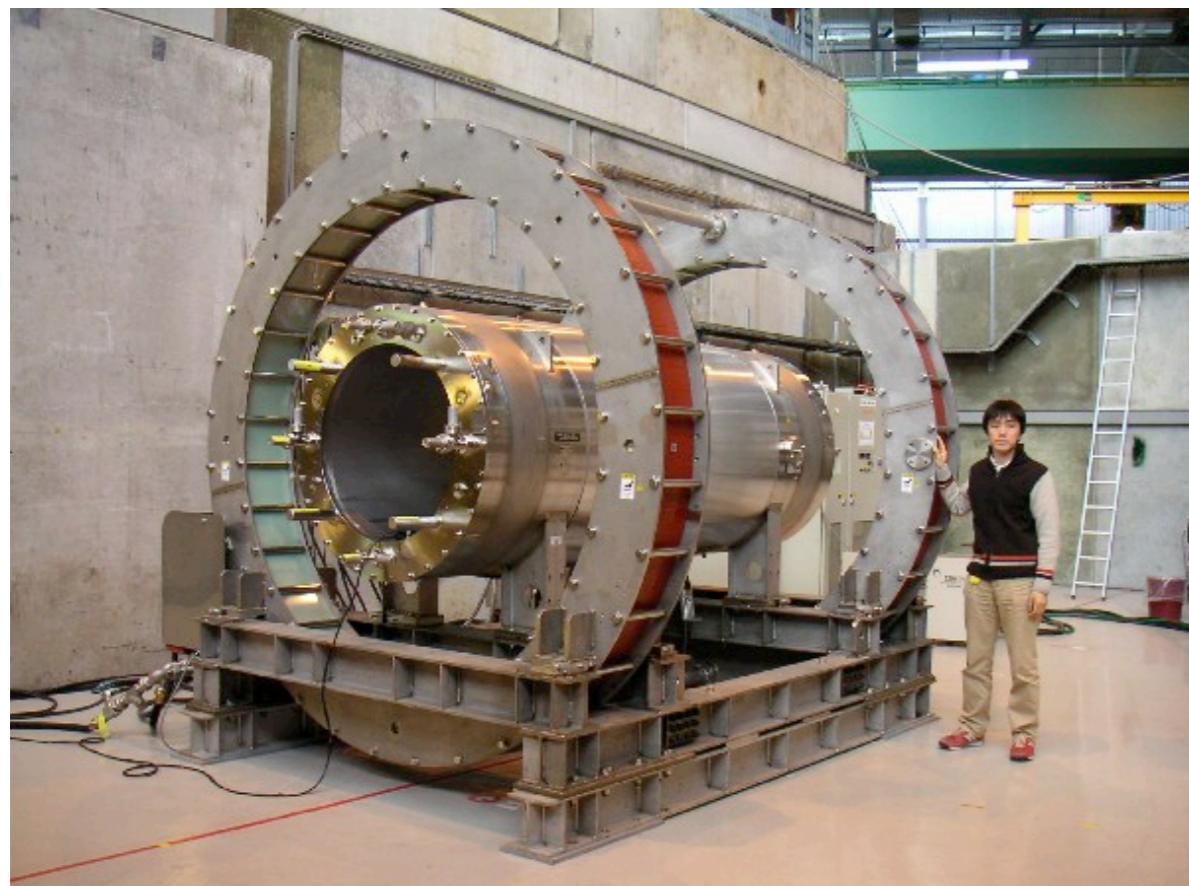
gradient B-field



COntant Bending RAdius  
independent of emission angles

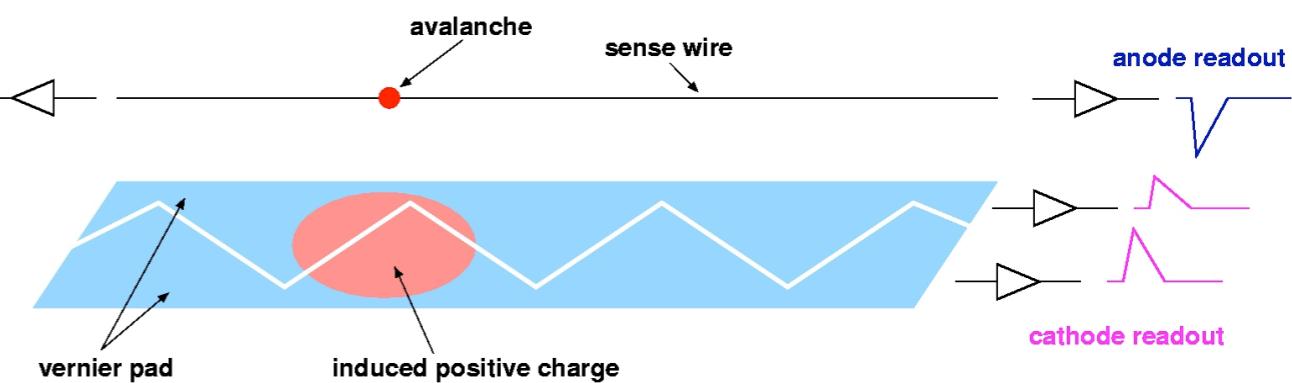
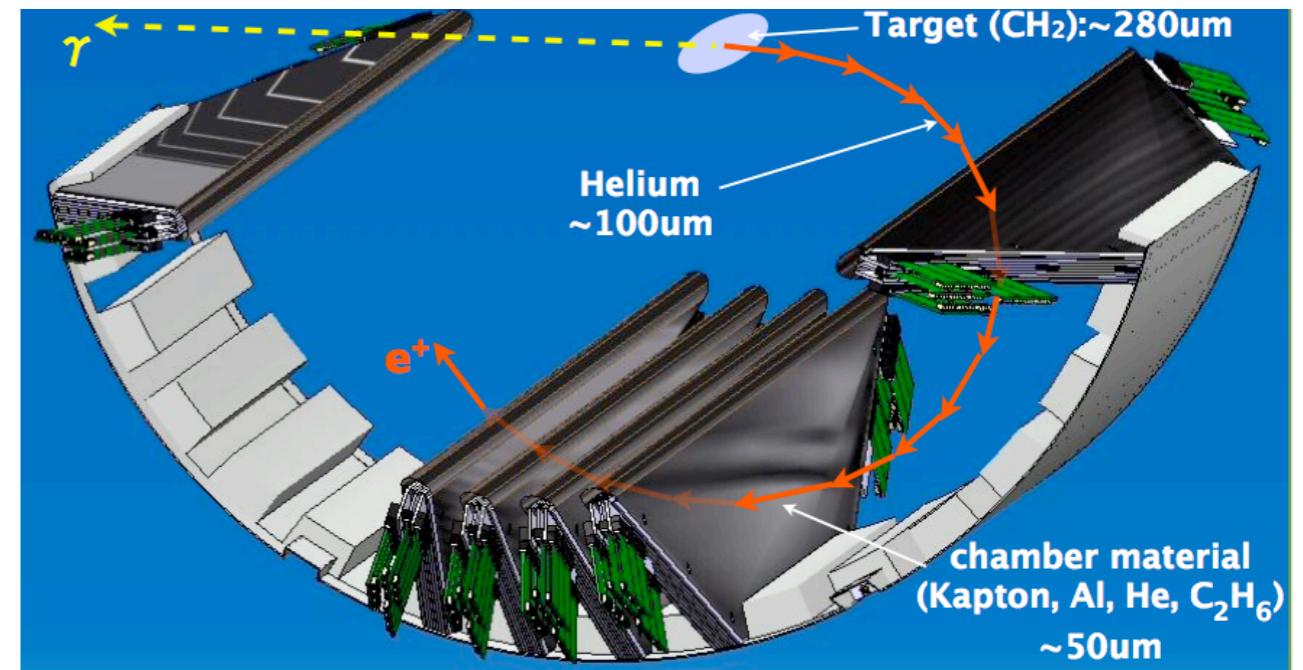
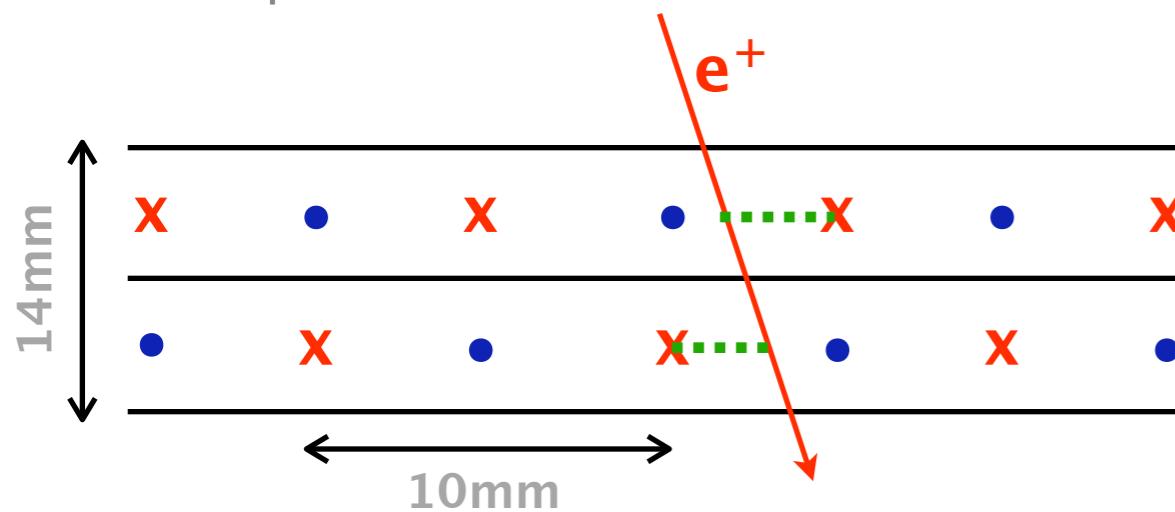
# COBRA Magnet

- Thin-wall superconducting magnet designed to form gradient field
- Material thickness within calorimeter acceptance:  $0.19X_0$
- Field cancellation by compensation coils for stable operation of the PMTs in the calorimeter



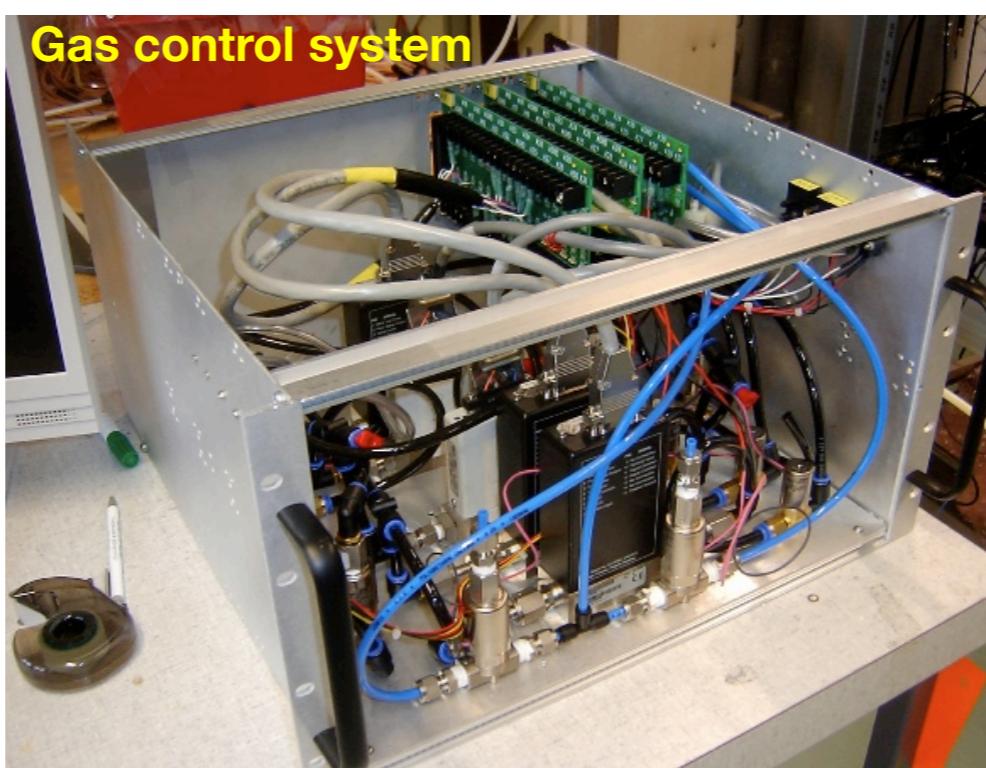
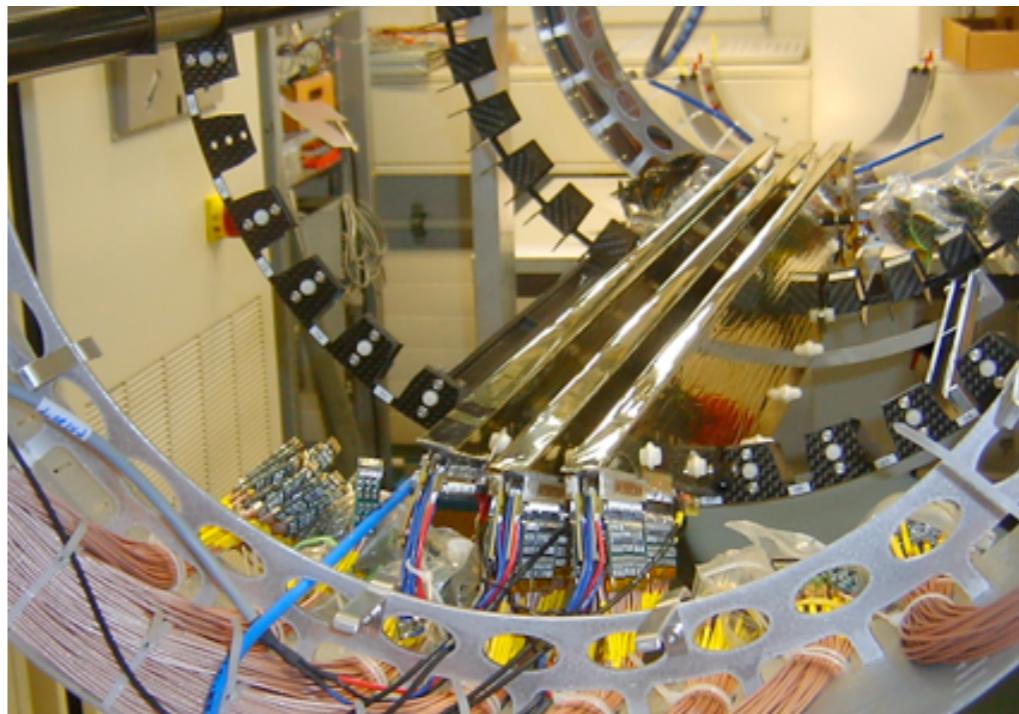
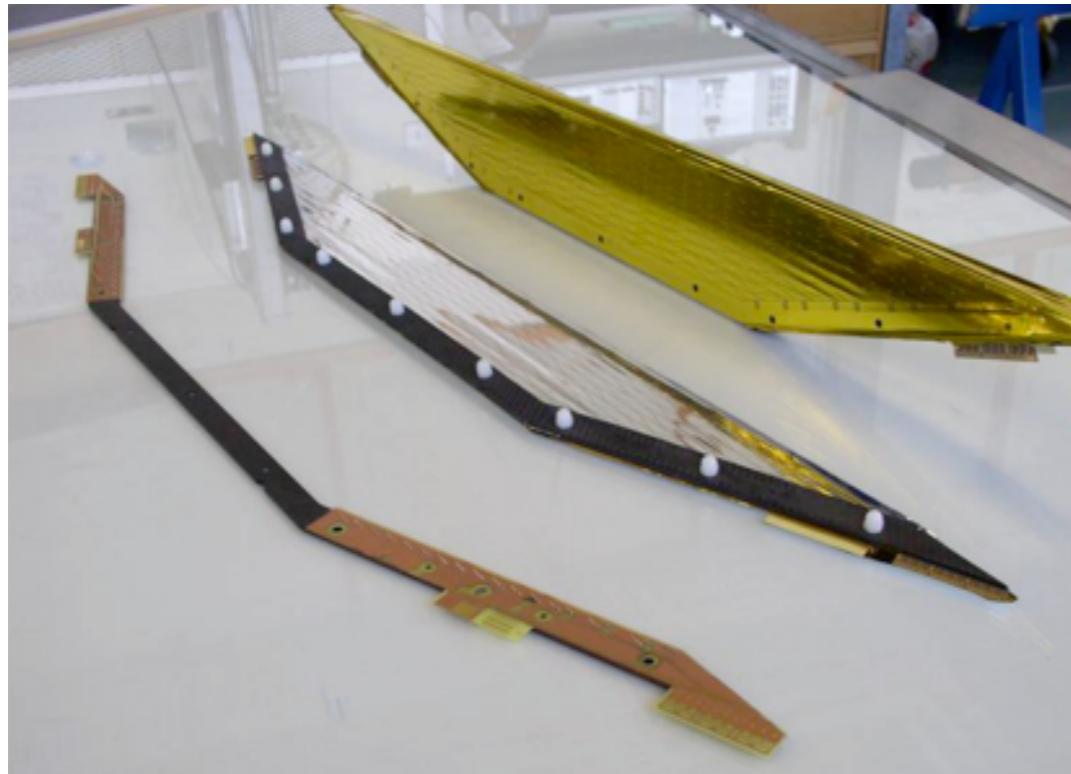
# Drift Chamber System

- 16 chambers radially aligned with  $10^\circ$  intervals
- Minimize amount of material to avoid multiple-scattering and annihilation photon BG
- Two staggered layout of drift cells for R measurement ( $\sigma_R \sim 100\text{-}200\mu\text{m}$ )
- Charge division on anode wire and Varnier pattern cathode pad to measure Z ( $\sigma_Z \sim 300\mu\text{m}$ )
- Expected momentum resolution: 0.4%



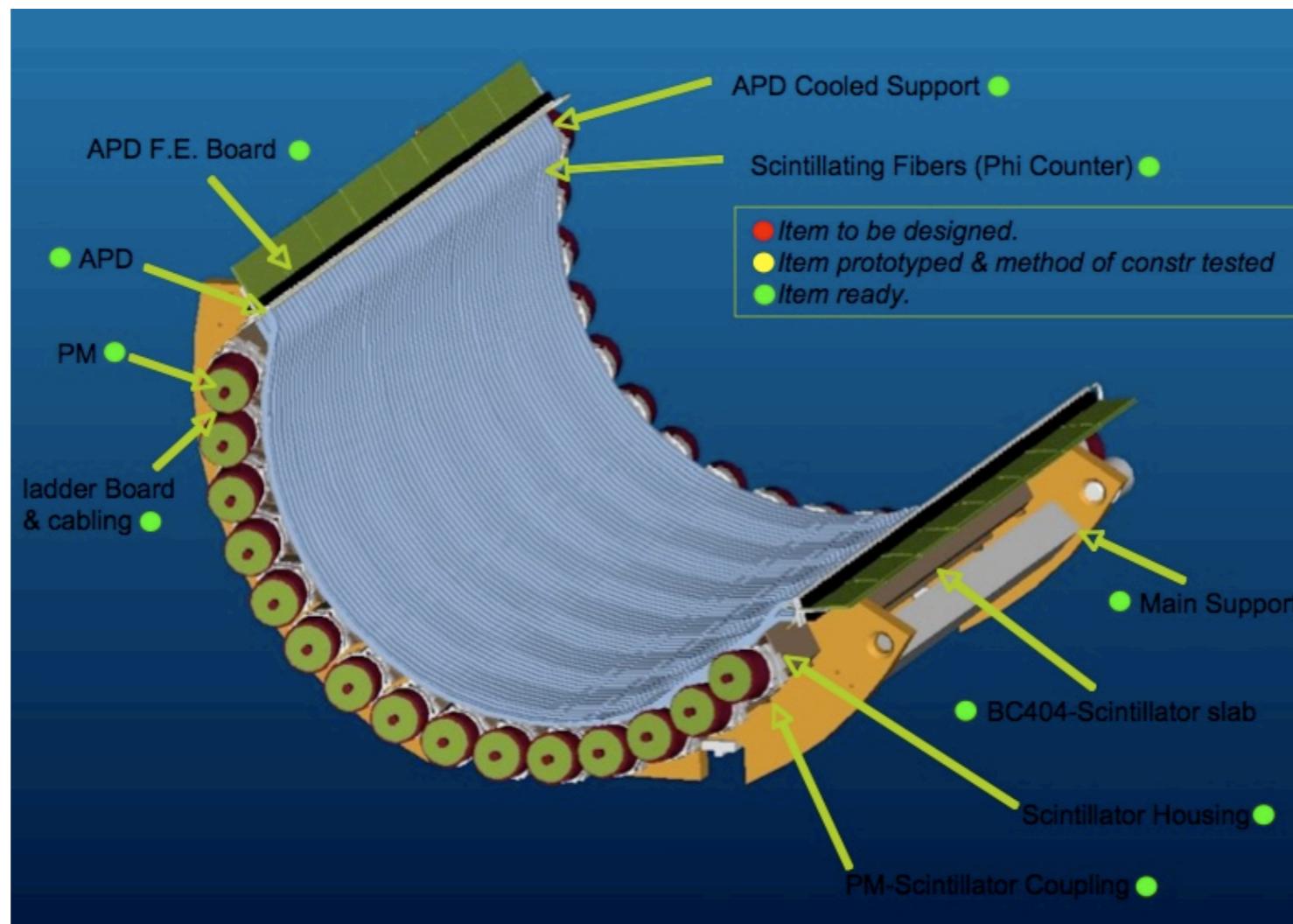
# Drift Chamber System, cont'd

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# Timing Counter

- Fast timing counter for positron
- Phi-counter: scintillator bars read out by fine mesh PMTs at both ends to measure the positron timing.
- Z-counter: Scintillating fiber read out by APD for additional trigger information

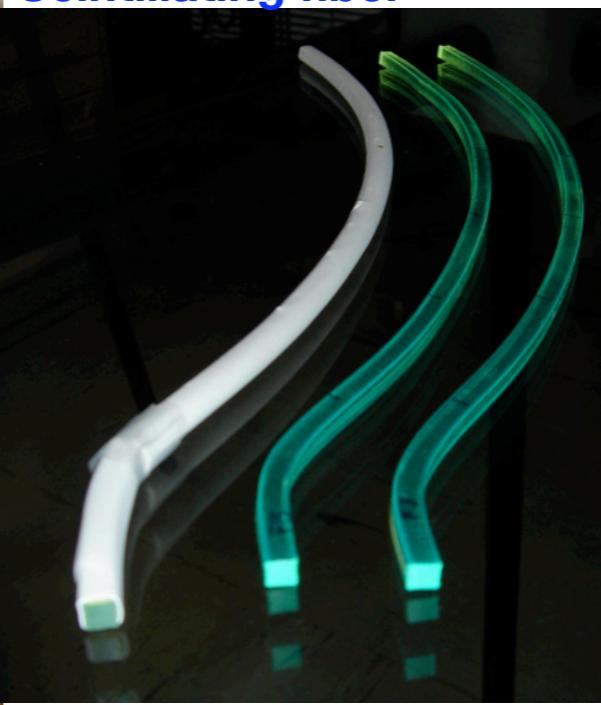


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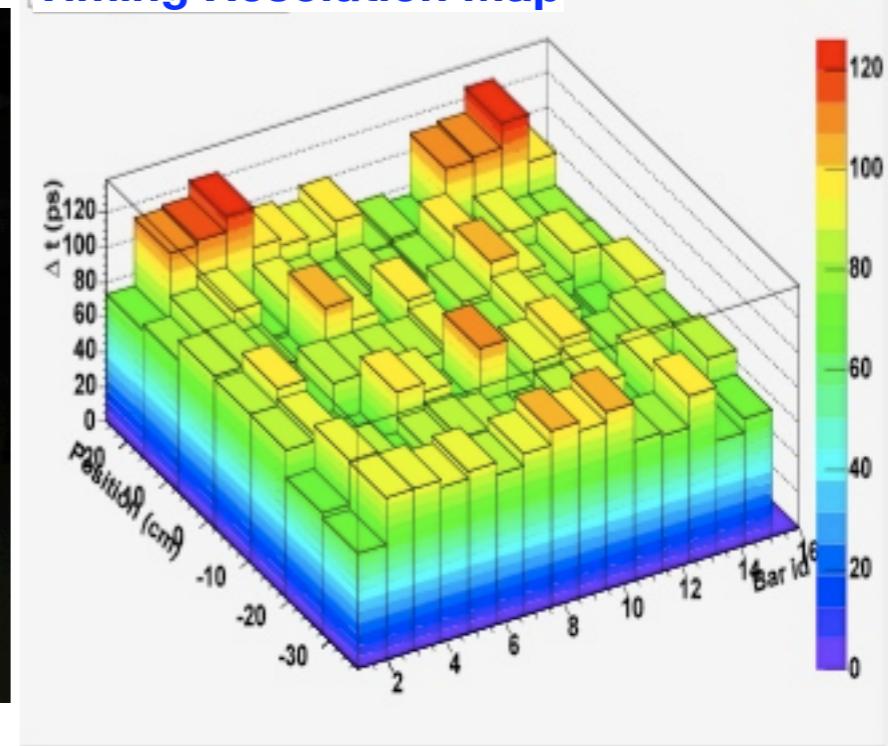
**Scintillator bars**



**Scintillating fiber**



**Timing Resolution Map**



**Comparison of long timing counters (from E. Nappi)**

Exp. application (*)	Counter size (cm) (T x W x L)	Scintillator	PMT	$\lambda_{att}$ (cm)	$\sigma_t$ (meas)	$\sigma_t$ (exp)
G.D.Agostini	3x 15 x 100	NE114	XP2020	200	120	60
T. Tanimori	3 x 20 x 150	SCSN38	R1332	180	140	110
T. Sugitate	4 x 3.5 x 100	SCSN23	R1828	200	50	53
R.T. Gile	5 x 10 x 280	BC408	XP2020	270	110	137
TOPAZ	4.2 x 13 x 400	BC412	R1828	300	210	240
R. Stroynowski	2 x 3 x 300	SCSN38	XP2020	180	180	420
Belle	4 x 6 x 255	BC408	R6680	250	90	143
MEG	4x4x90	BC	R5924	270	38	



# Electronics

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# Trigger Electronics

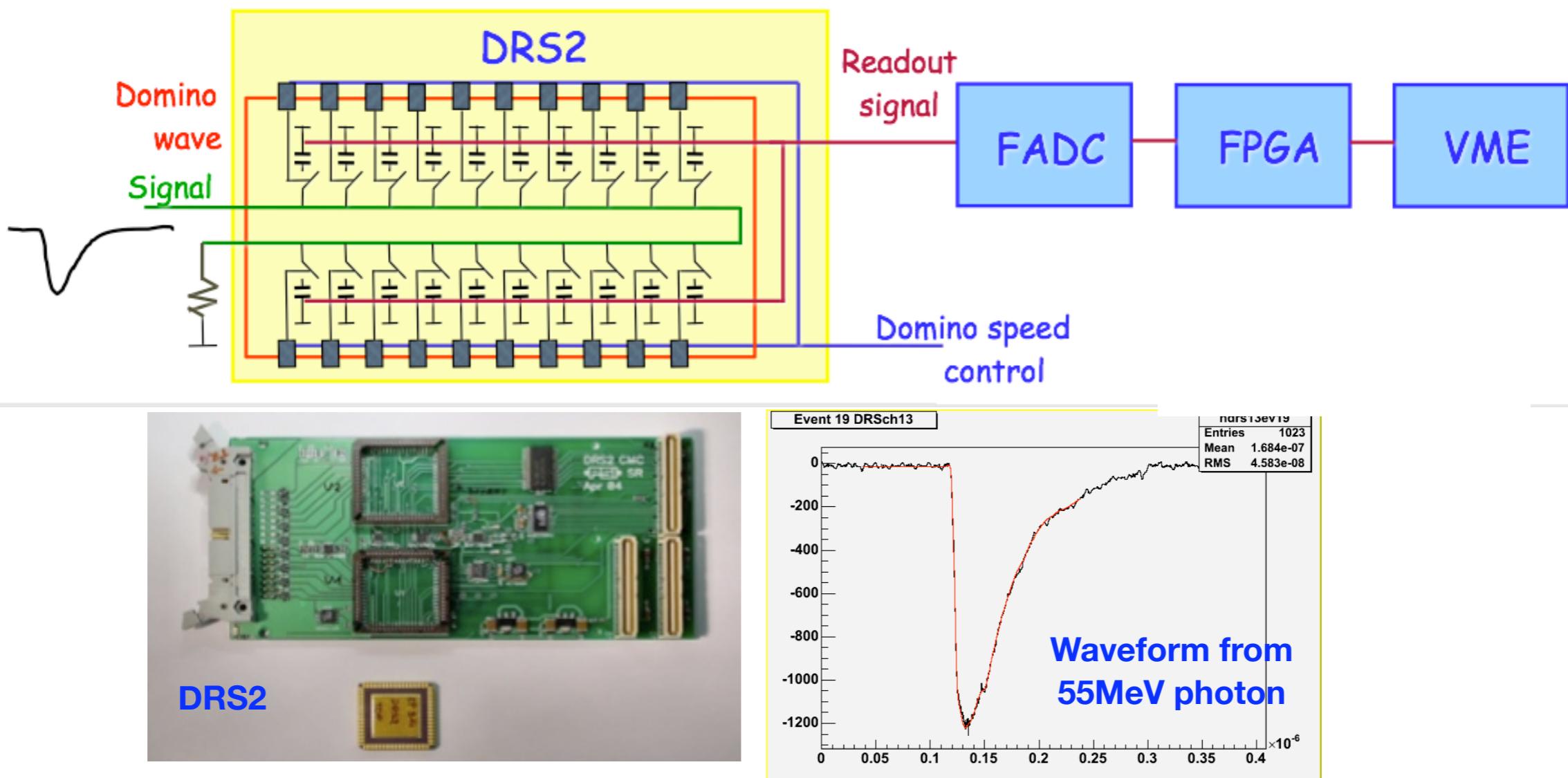
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- Digital trigger based on FADC-FPGA architecture on VME boards
- Flexible trigger algorithm
- Trigger rate (for  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$  trigger with  $1 \times 10^8 \mu^+ \text{ sec}^{-1}$ ): 20Hz
  - LXe calorimeter energy cut  $\wedge$   $e^+ \text{-} \gamma$  time correlation  $\wedge$   $e^+ \text{-} \gamma$  angular correlation bw/ $e^+$  and  $\gamma$



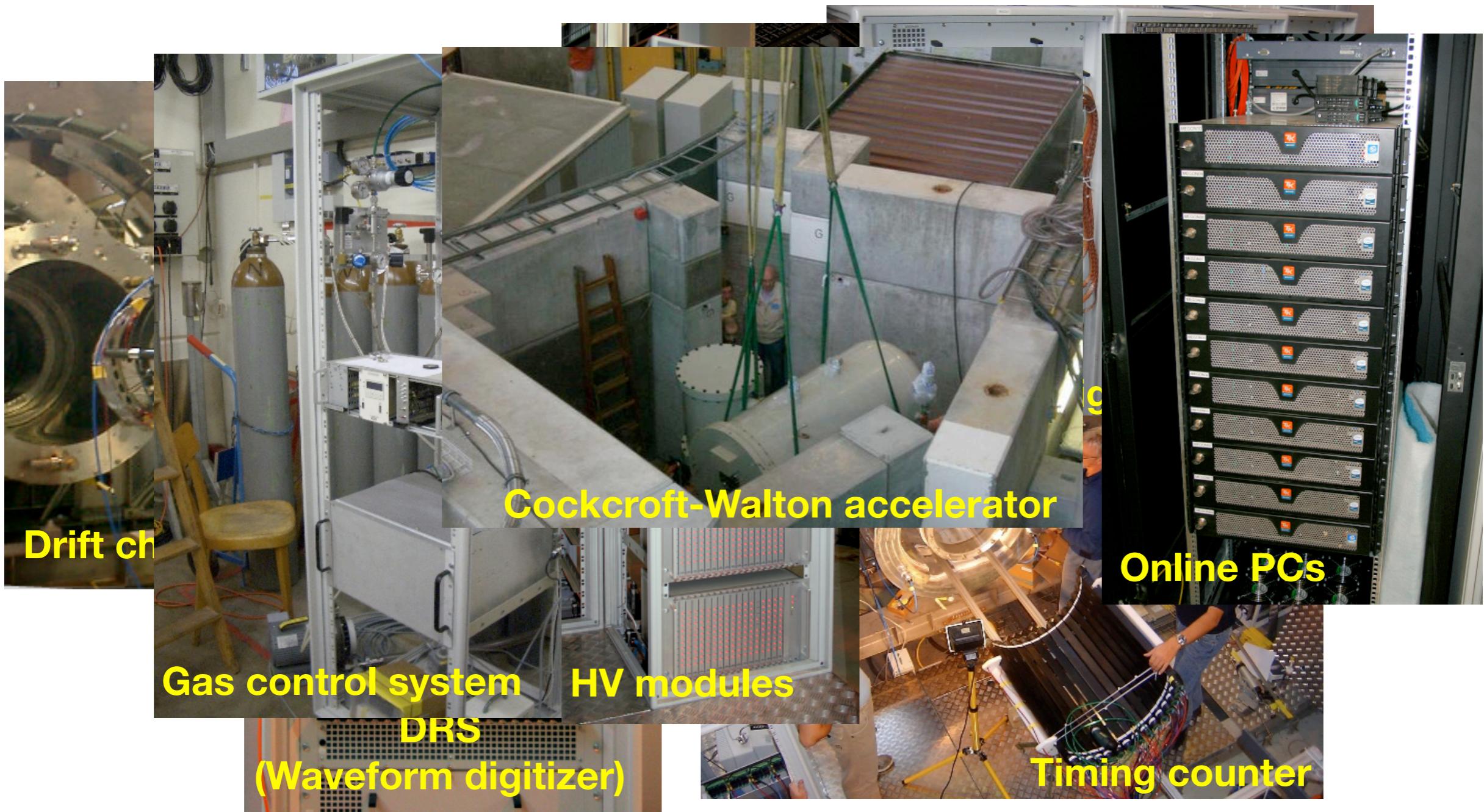
# DAQ Electronics

- All detectors will be read by Domino Ring Sampler (DRS).
- Developed at PSI
- Sampling speed: 2GHz for LXe and TC, 0.5GHz for DC
- 1024 sampling cells



# Detector Assembly and Commissioning

- Most of the detector except LXe detector were installed and tested in Dec. 2006.
- Detector assembly is starting again for Run 2007.



# Sensitivity and How to Run Experiment

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- Sensitivity of the MEG experiment
  - Assumptions
    - Measured detector resolutions
    - BG = 0.5 events
    - Running time:  $T = 4 \times 10^7$  sec (2 years beam time)
    - $R(\mu) = 3 \times 10^7 \mu \text{ sec}^{-1}$
  - $\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) < 1.5 \times 10^{-13}$  at 90% CL
- Can we go further?
  - Single event sensitivity
    - $\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) = 1.1 \times 10^{-14}$  with full beam intensity ( $R(\mu) = 1 \times 10^8 \mu \text{ sec}^{-1}$ )
    - This is the best we could reach with the present detector setup and PSI beam.
  - Need detector upgrade to achieve this sensitivity  
→ Poster session “MEG: Possible Future Plan”

$\Delta E_\gamma$	5 %
$\Delta E_e$	0.9 %
$\delta t_{e\gamma}$	100 psec
$\delta \theta_{e\gamma}$	23 mrad

# Summary and Prospect

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- The MEG experiment is soon to begin.
- The last missing piece is the cryostat for the LXe full-scale detector, which has just arrived at PSI.
- We are planning to start the full DAQ this fall after setting-up and testing the detector.



We hope the MEG would give a good hint for “supersymmetry in 2010’s”.

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