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# New limit on LFV searches from the MEG experiment

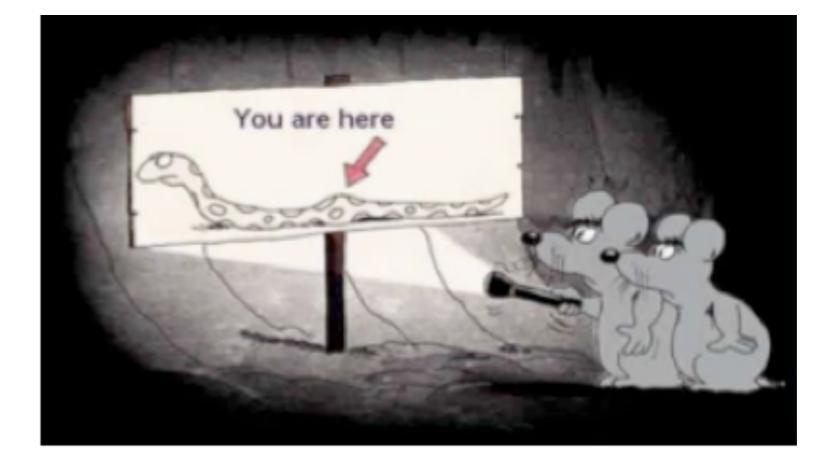
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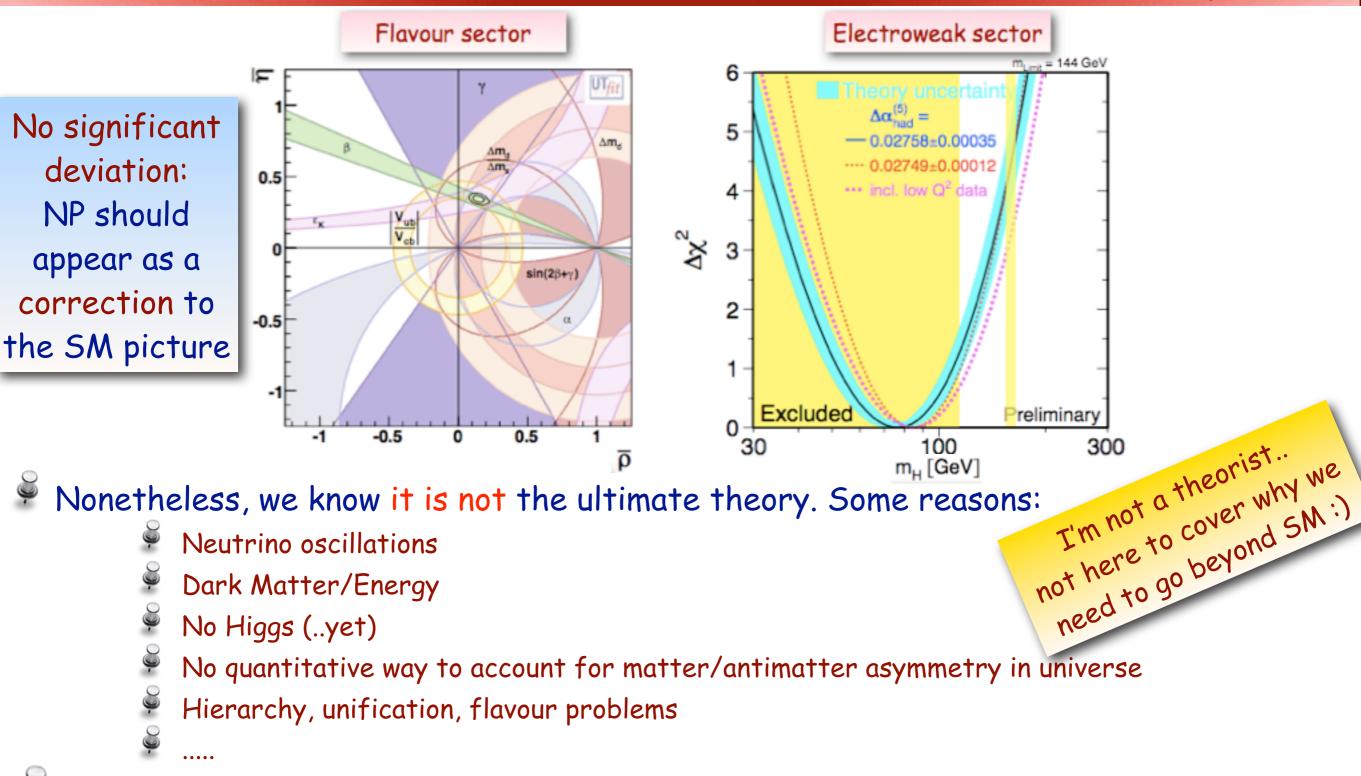
#### where I am now :)



we are at least two people on shift, but in case of big emergency, my duties will compel me to leave you :)

on shift!

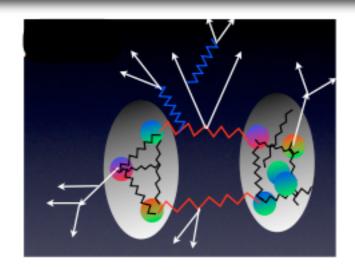
### SM success (& failure)



#### Everybody is eager for New Physics !!

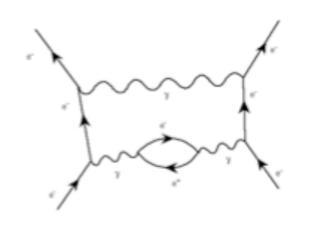
### Going beyond the SM

#### Through the gauge sector (Higgs, EWSB)



The High Energy Frontier

Through the flavour sector (LFV,v mixing, DM, CPV, FCNC, EDM)





The High Intensity Frontier

New particles produced increasing c.m. energy

Virtual processes indirectly test the NP energy scale (sometime further than LHC reach)

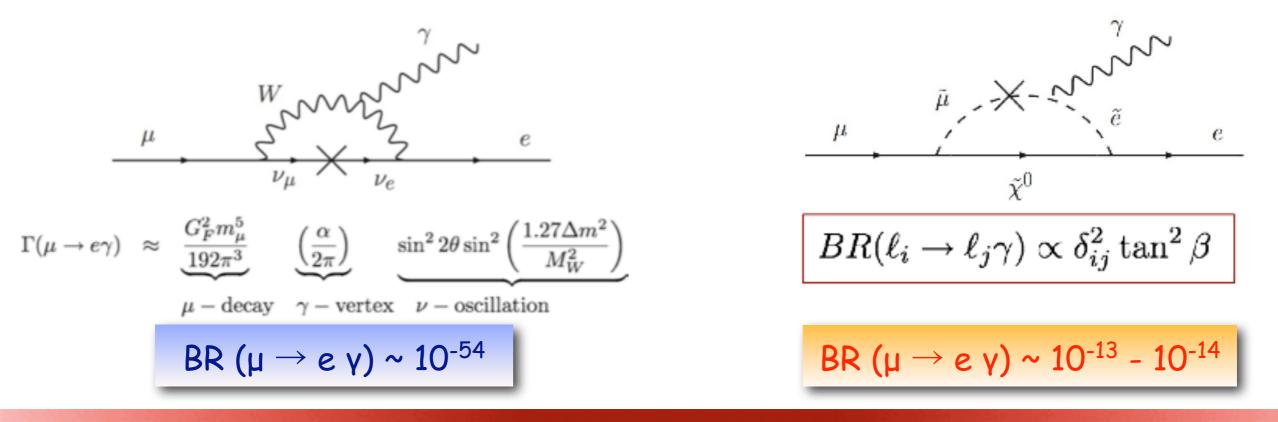
Full complementarity between the two approaches

### Why Lepton Flavour Violation

- Lepton Flavour Conservation is an accidental symmetry of SM:
  - Not related to the gauge structure of the theory
  - Naturally violated in SM extensions

Observation of  $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$ would be an unambiguous evidence of NP beyond SM

- LFV already observed in the neutral sector: neutrino oscillations
- LFV in charged sector could be mediated by
  - neutrino oscillation in SM extensions with massive neutrinos
  - ff-diagonal terms in the slepton mass matrix (through RG evolution) in SUSY









$$BR(\mu \to e\gamma) = 1 \times 10^{-11} \times \left(\frac{400'\text{TeV}}{\Lambda}\right)^4 \left(\frac{y}{2}\right)^2$$

Sensitive to energy scale higher than 400 TeV

for loop diagram:

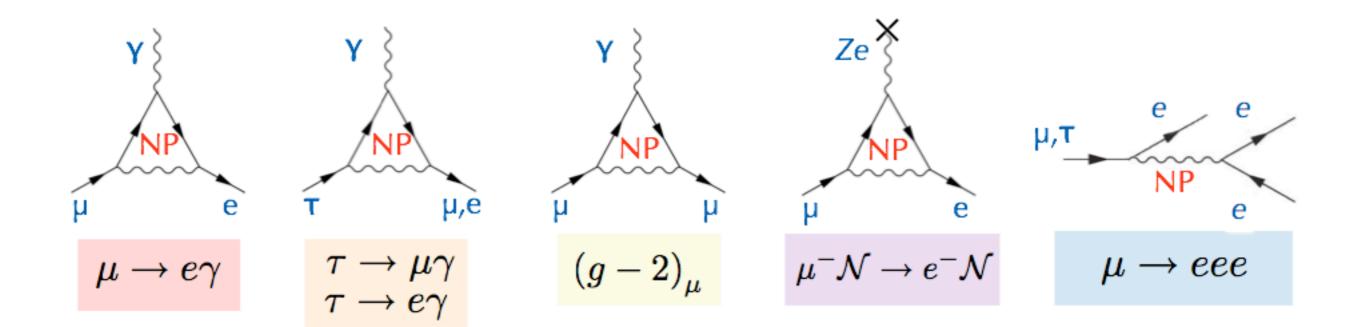
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slepton mixing from RGE $\mu$ $\tilde{\nu}_{\mu}$ $\tilde{\nu}_{e}$ $\tilde{\nu}_{e}$	$\mathrm{BR}(\mu \to \mathrm{e}\gamma$	$(t) = 1 \times 10^{-11} \times \left(\frac{2\text{TeV}}{\Lambda}\right)^4 \left(\frac{\theta_{\mu e}}{10^{-2}}\right)^2$
$(m_{\tilde{L}}^2)_{21} \sim rac{3m_0^2 + A_0^2}{8\pi^2} h V_{td} V_{ts} n rac{M_{GUT}}{M_{R_s}}$	SUSY GUT	Sensitive to TeV energy scale
$(m_{\tilde{L}}^2)_{21} \sim \frac{3m_0^2 + A_0^2}{8\pi^2} h_{\tau}^2 U_{31} U_{32} \frac{M_{GUT}}{M_{R_s}}$	SUSY neutrino seesaw	with reasonable mixing



A new lepton-lepton coupling

 $y_{ij}\ell_i F^{\mu
u}\ell_j\sigma_{\mu
u}$ 



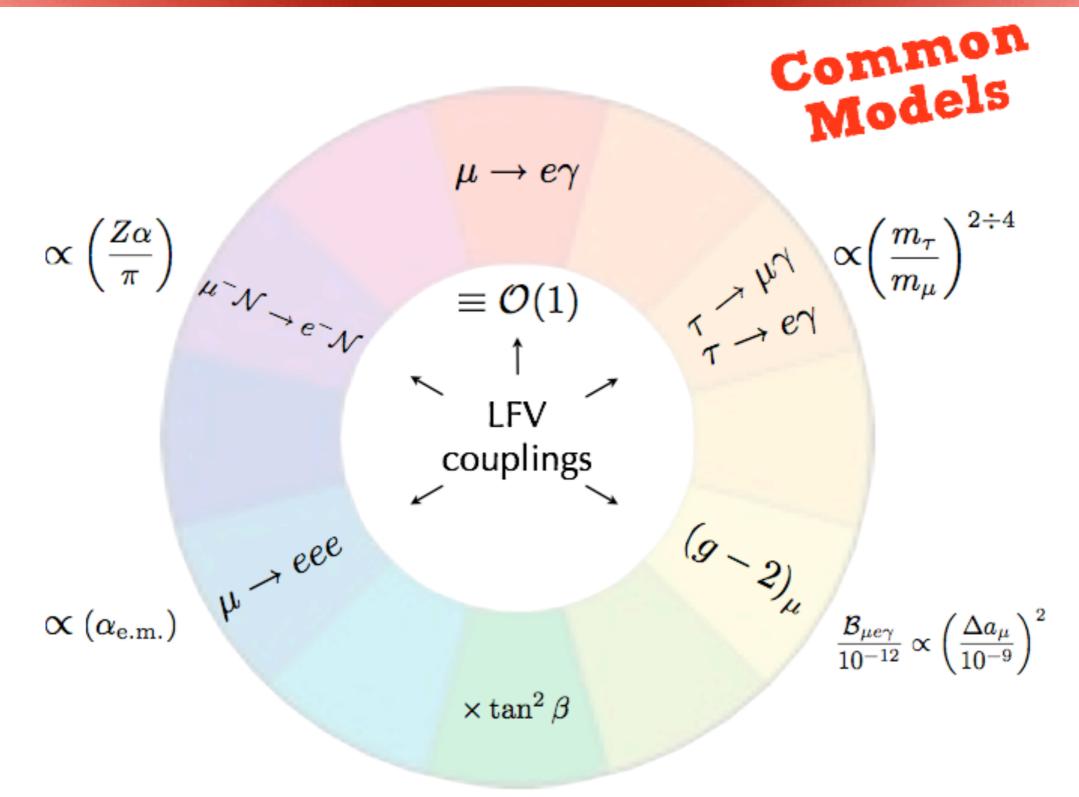
CLFV processes are a wide field of research

- 🖉 LFV decays
- Muon to electron conversion in matter
- Anomalous magnetic moment





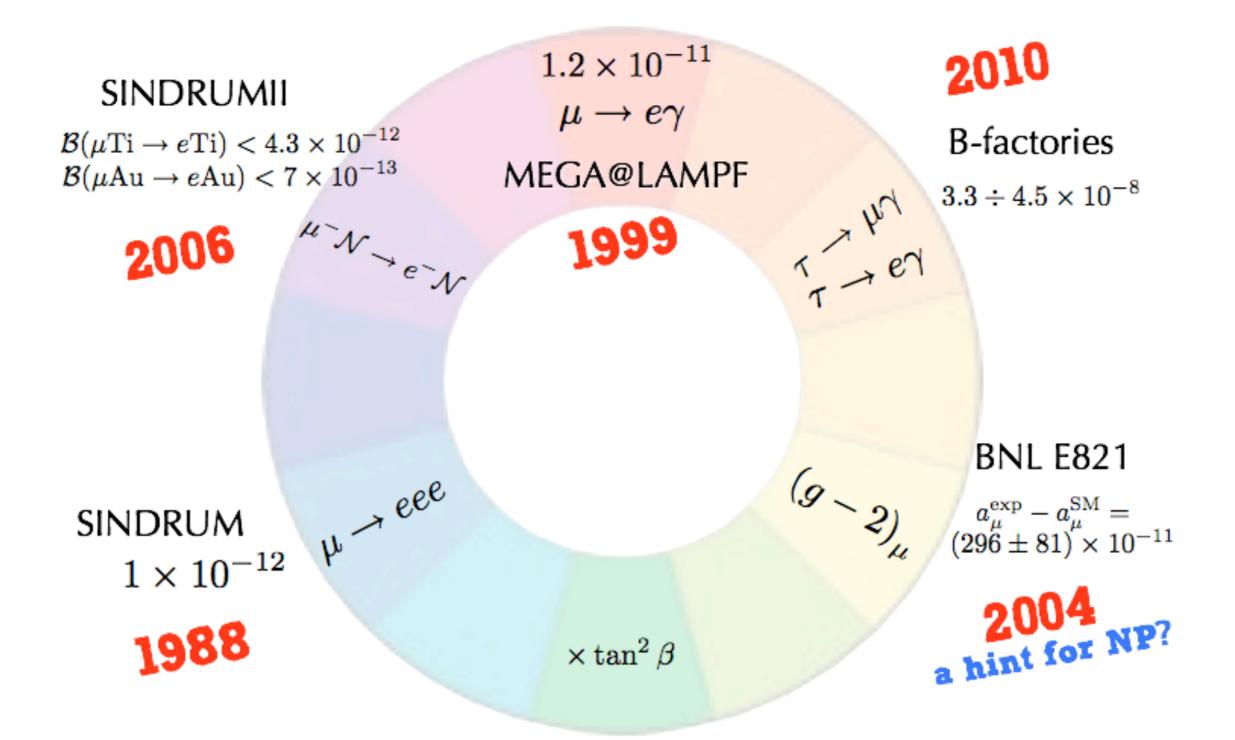






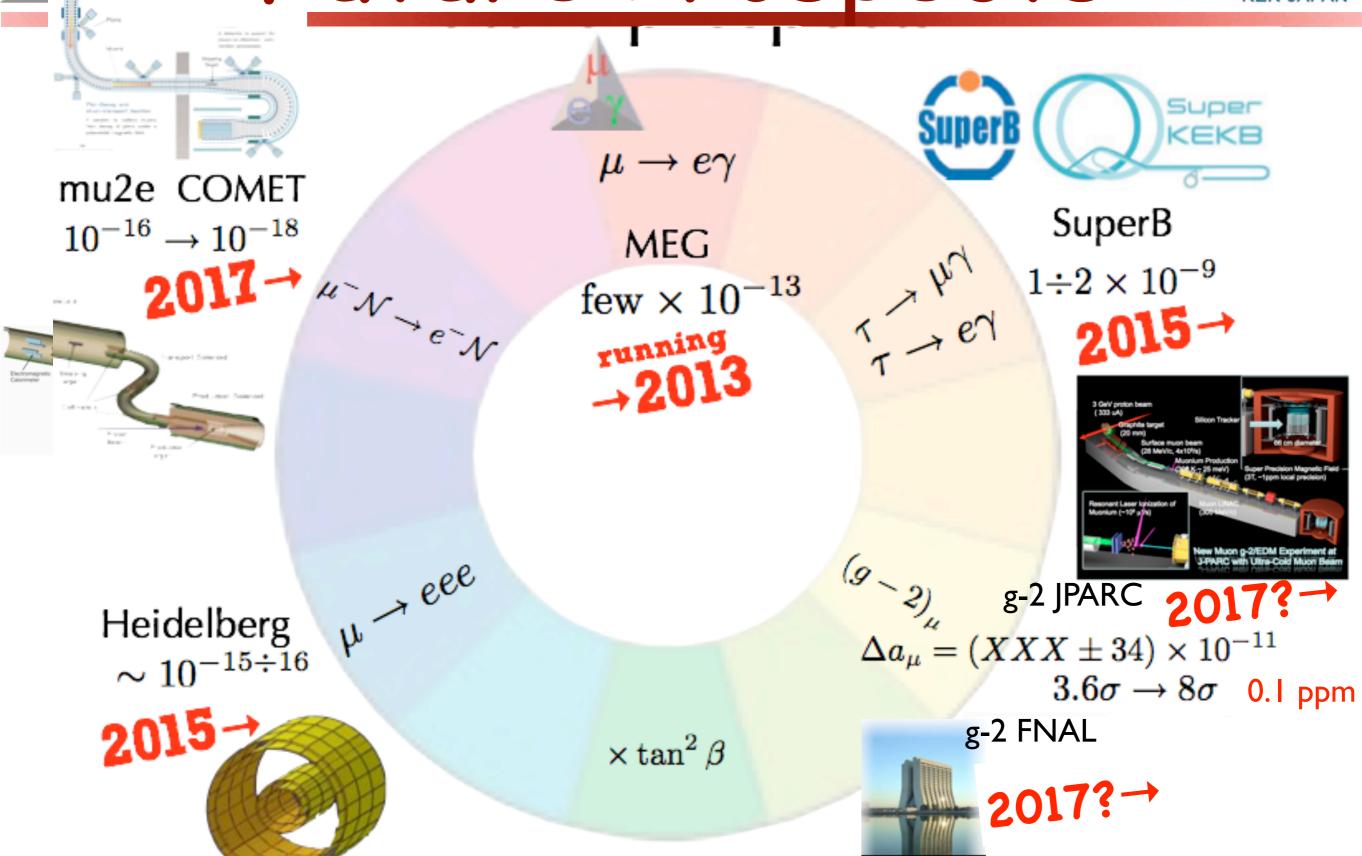




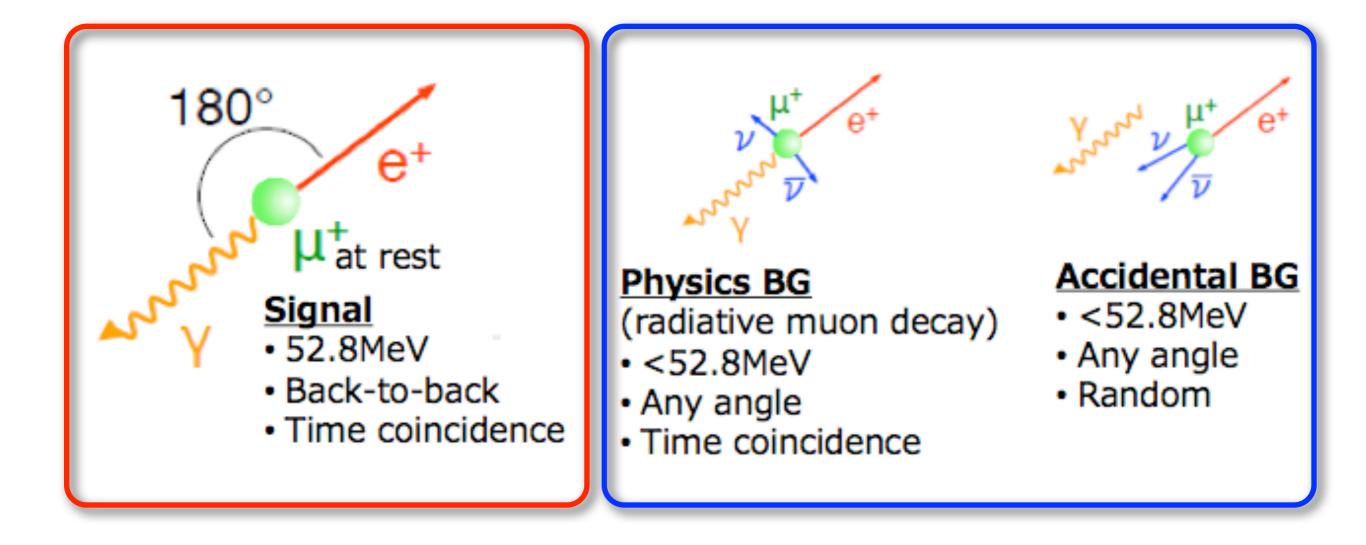


#### Future Prospects

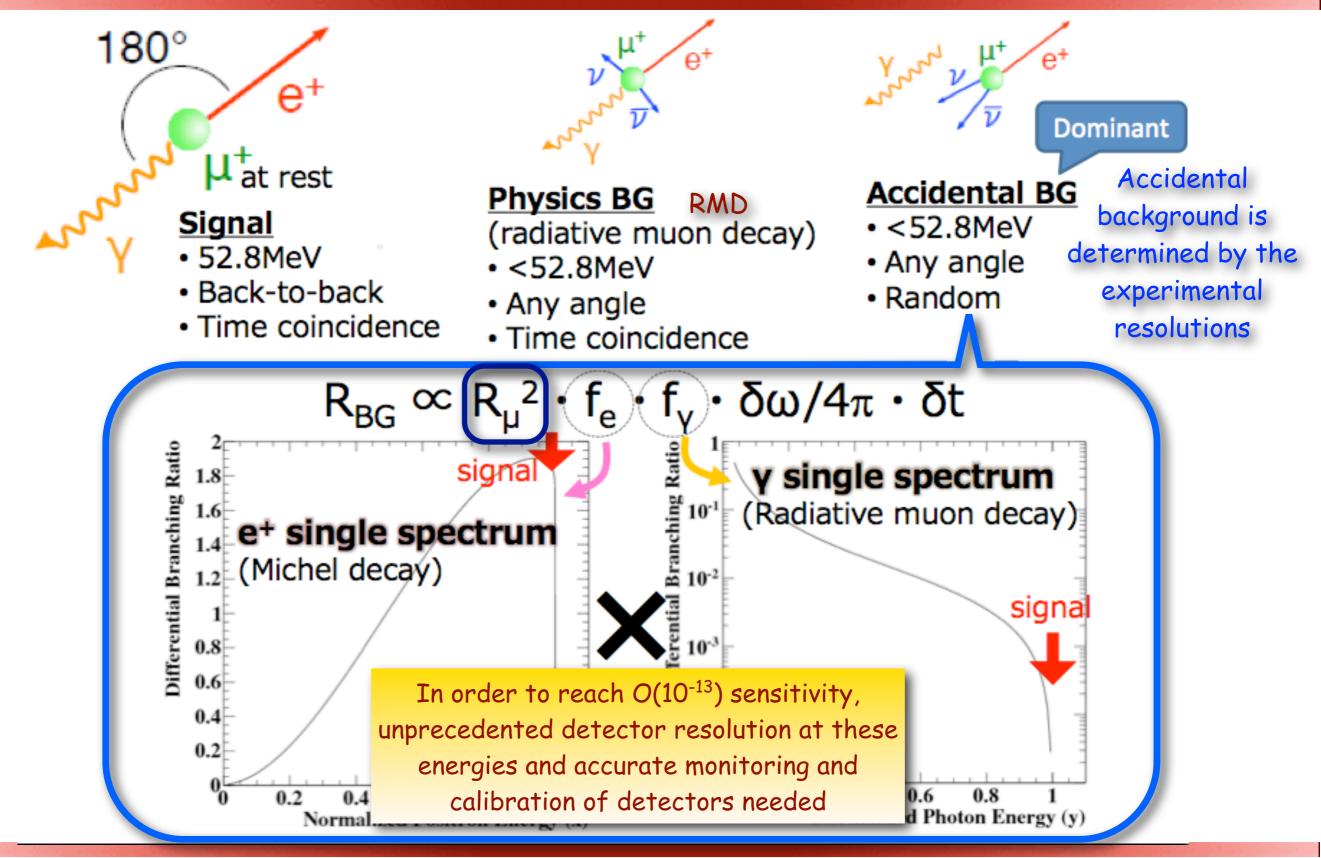








#### $A \mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ :experimental challenge!!





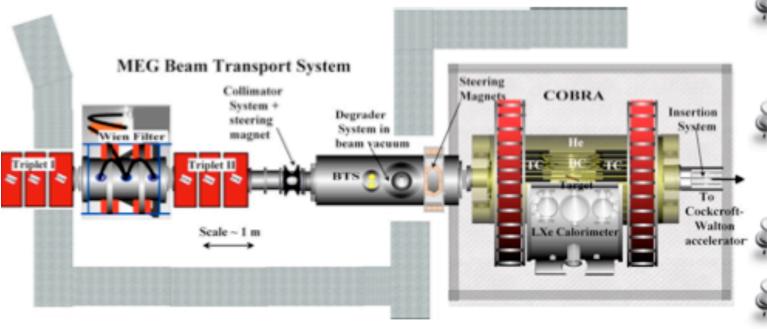
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### MEG in a nutshell



Most intense DC muon beam of  $3 \times 10^7$  muon/s at PSI 1m Quasi-solenoidal spectrometer & low mass drift chamber for COBRA Magnet Drift Chamber e<sup>+</sup> kinematic measurement φ Ş u<sup>+</sup> Beam Scintillator bars and fibers Timing Counter θ for e<sup>+</sup> timing Stopping Target ĕ Liquid Xenon calorimeter for photon detection Liquid Xenon y-ray Detector Ş ~10<sup>7</sup> fully efficient trigger bkg suppression ~ 60 collaborators INFN Genova KEK **INFN** Lecce BINP - Novosibirsk Tokyo Univ. UC Irvine PSI **INFN** Pavia JINR - Dubna Waseda Univ. **INFN** Pisa

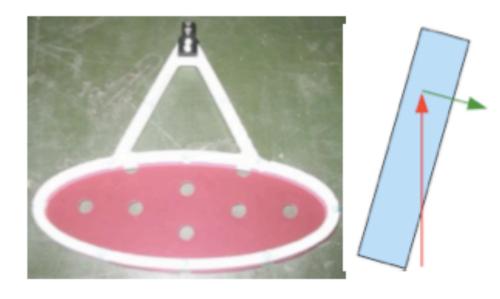
#### A The PSI $\pi E5$ beam & target



 Most intense proton DC beam in the world : 2 mA @ 1.3 MW
 28 MeV/c "surface muons" from decay of π at rest
 Wien filter for e/μ separation
 Solenoid to couple beam with the COBRA magnetic field

Need enough material for stopping muons but low bremsstrahlung for signal positron:

- 🎽 degrader 200/300 μm + target 205 μm
- 20.5° angle between beam and target
- material with high radiation length X<sub>0</sub> (CH<sub>2</sub>)

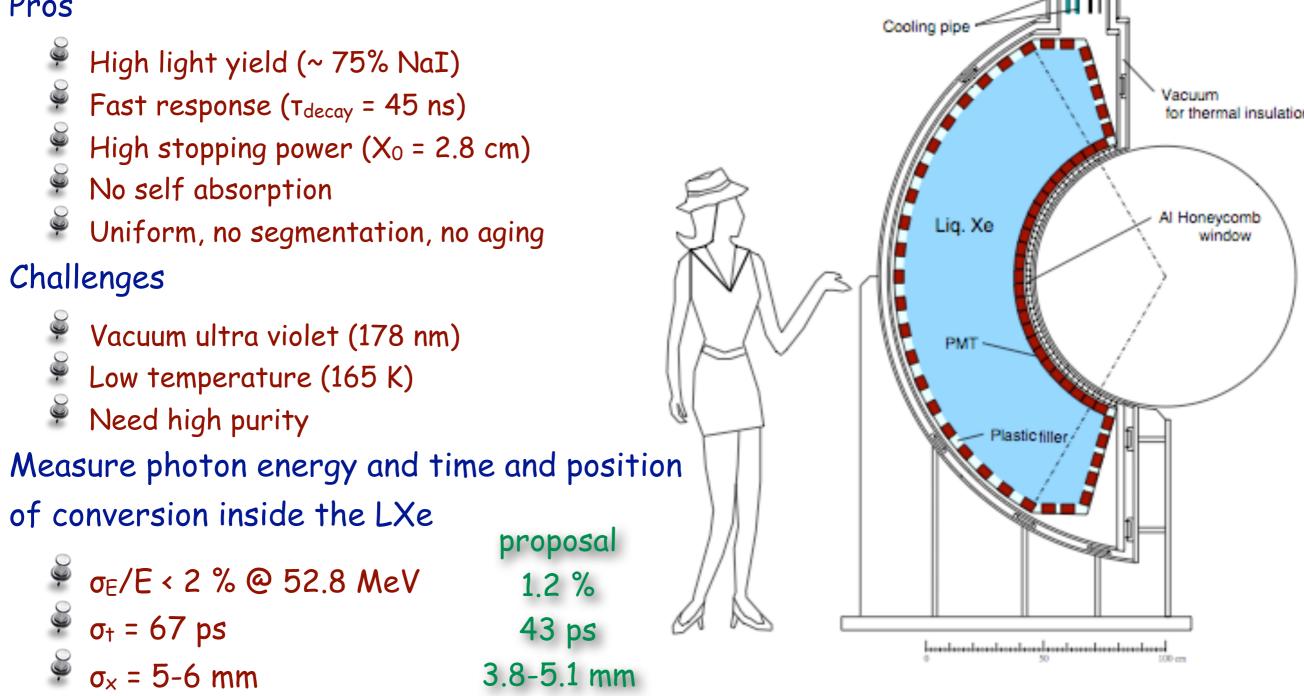


### Liquid Xenon y detector KEK-JAPAN

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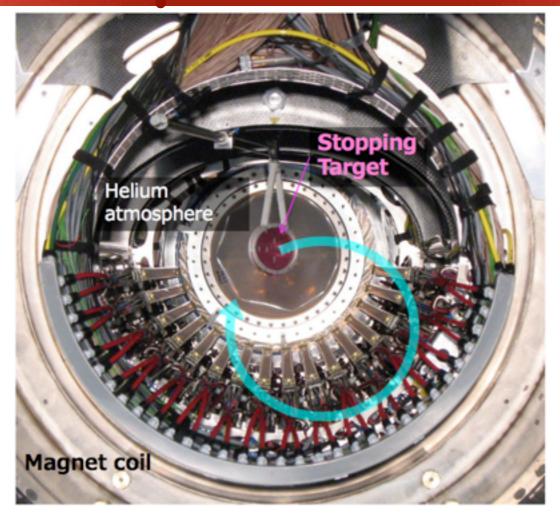


#### Pros



#### The Spectrometer



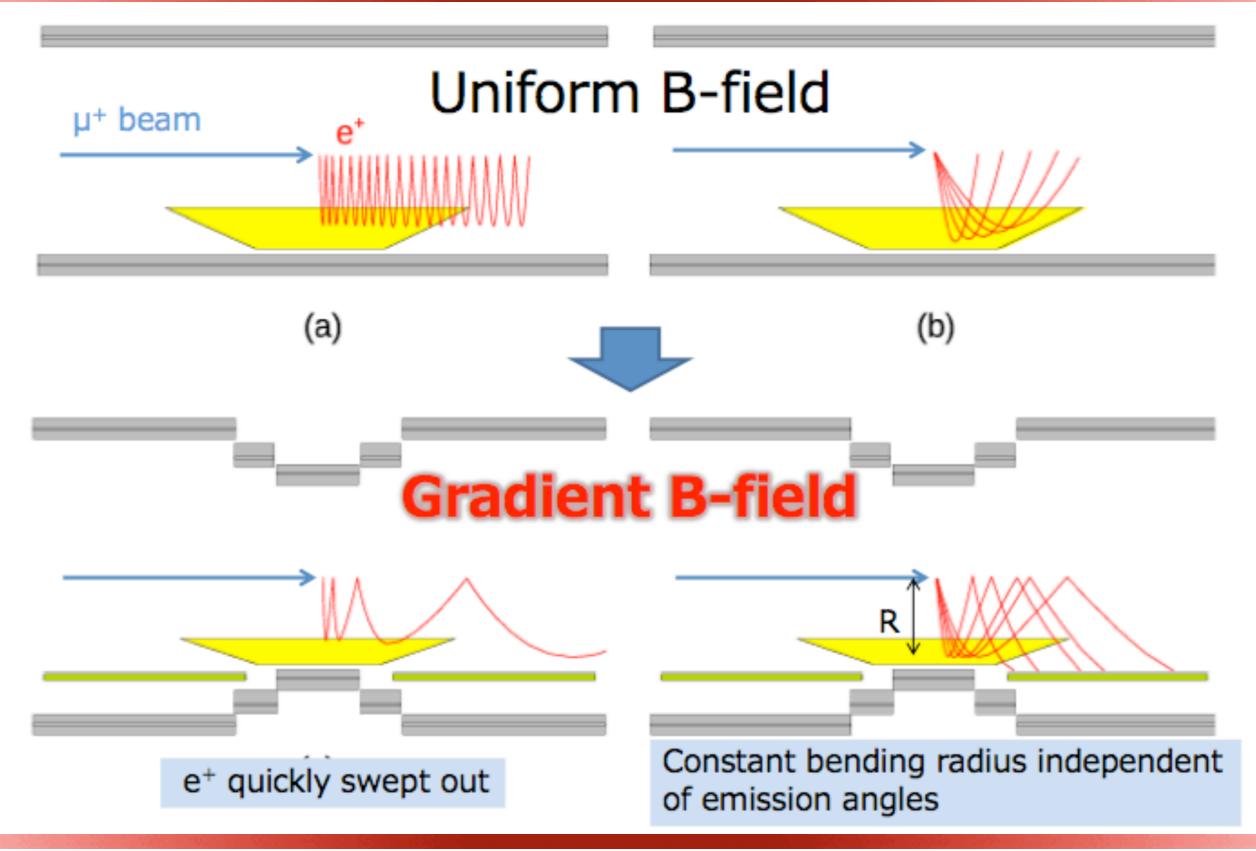


Experimental requirements:

Very good momentum and angular resolution (~ 200 KeV @ 52.8 MeV and ~ 5 mrad) Low pile-up for efficient background rejection

Low mass drift chambers in graded magnetic field (COBRA)

#### Constant Bending RAdius Magnet

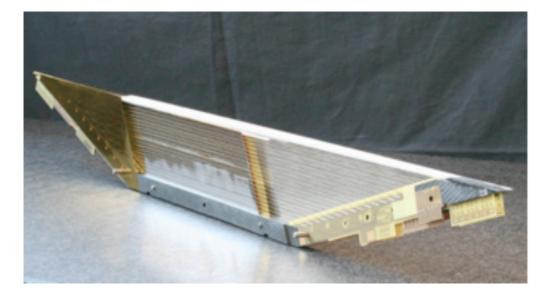


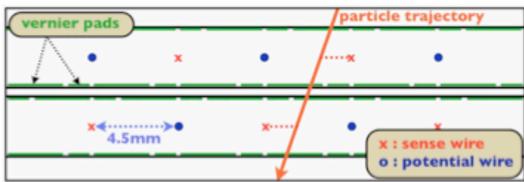


### Drift Chambers









- 16 chamber sectors, 2 planes each
- Staggered array of drift cells
- Helium:Ethane 50/50 mixture
- Ultra low mass chamber to suppress MS that limits momentum and angular resolutions
  - 12.5 µm cathode foils with Vernier patter for Z hit position
  - ✓ 0.2 % X<sub>0</sub> along e<sup>+</sup> trajectory
- Reconstruct e<sup>+</sup> momentum vector at

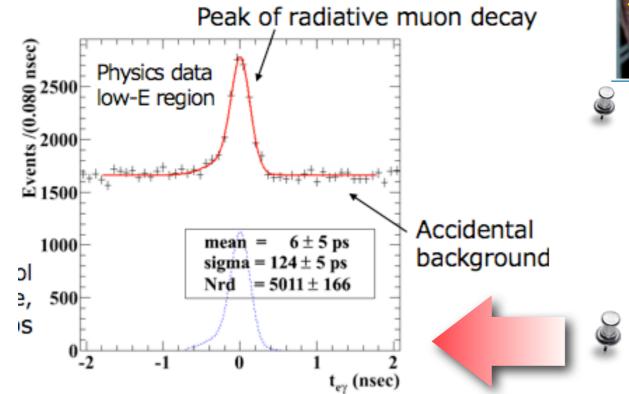
target with Kalman filter technique

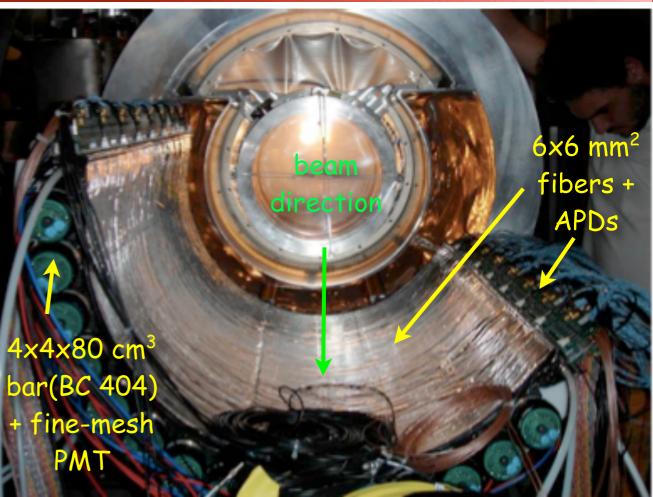
σ <sub>E</sub> /E ~ 0.6 %	0.3 %
🧳 σ <sub>θ</sub> ~ 10 mrad	5 mrad
🎽 σ <sub>φ</sub> ~ 7 mrad	5 mrad

### Time Measurement



- Positron time measured by timing counter:
   2 sections (upstream & downstream) of 15
   bars each read by fine mesh PMTs
- Further z impact position measurement with scintillating fibers read by APDs
- Crucial for positron time measurement: intrinsic time resolution: current ~ 70 ps/ goal ~ 50 ps





Muon decay time:

- TC hit time +  $e^+$  flight length from DC
- $\stackrel{\scriptstyle \bigcirc}{=}$  LXe hit time +  $\gamma$  flight lenght

$$\sigma_{tey}$$
 = 122 ps from RMD







#### DAQ

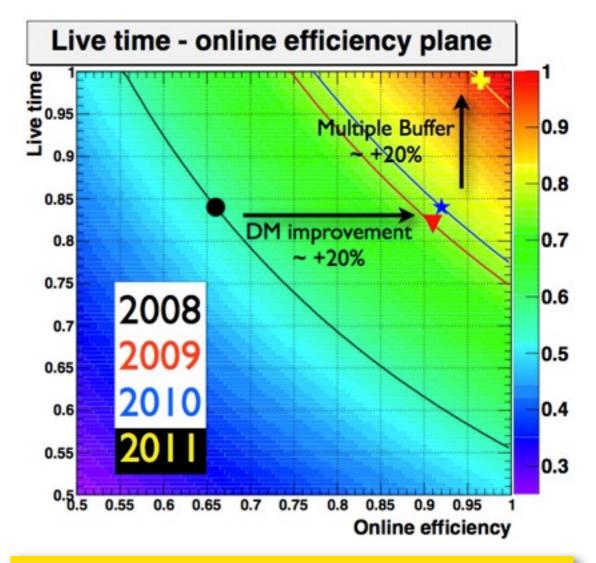
- Custom WF digitizer DRS chip design at PSI
- Sampling speed [800 MHz, 5 GHz]
- Bandwidth 1 GHz
- inter-chip synchronization < 30 ps

#### Trigger experimental requirements

- O (10<sup>7</sup>) background suppression
- > 95 % efficiency on signal
- Maximum latency ~ 450 ns
- Flexibility for physics analysis as well as calibrations

#### MEG choices

- 100 MHz digital conversion of input signals
- Selection algorithms on FPGAs
- Use of fast detector, LXe and TC:
  - $\stackrel{\checkmark}{=}$  E<sub>v</sub> > 45 MeV ---> rate 2 × 10<sup>3</sup> Hz
  - Δt between LXe and TC --> rate 100 Hz
  - Collinearity based on LUT tables --> 10 Hz

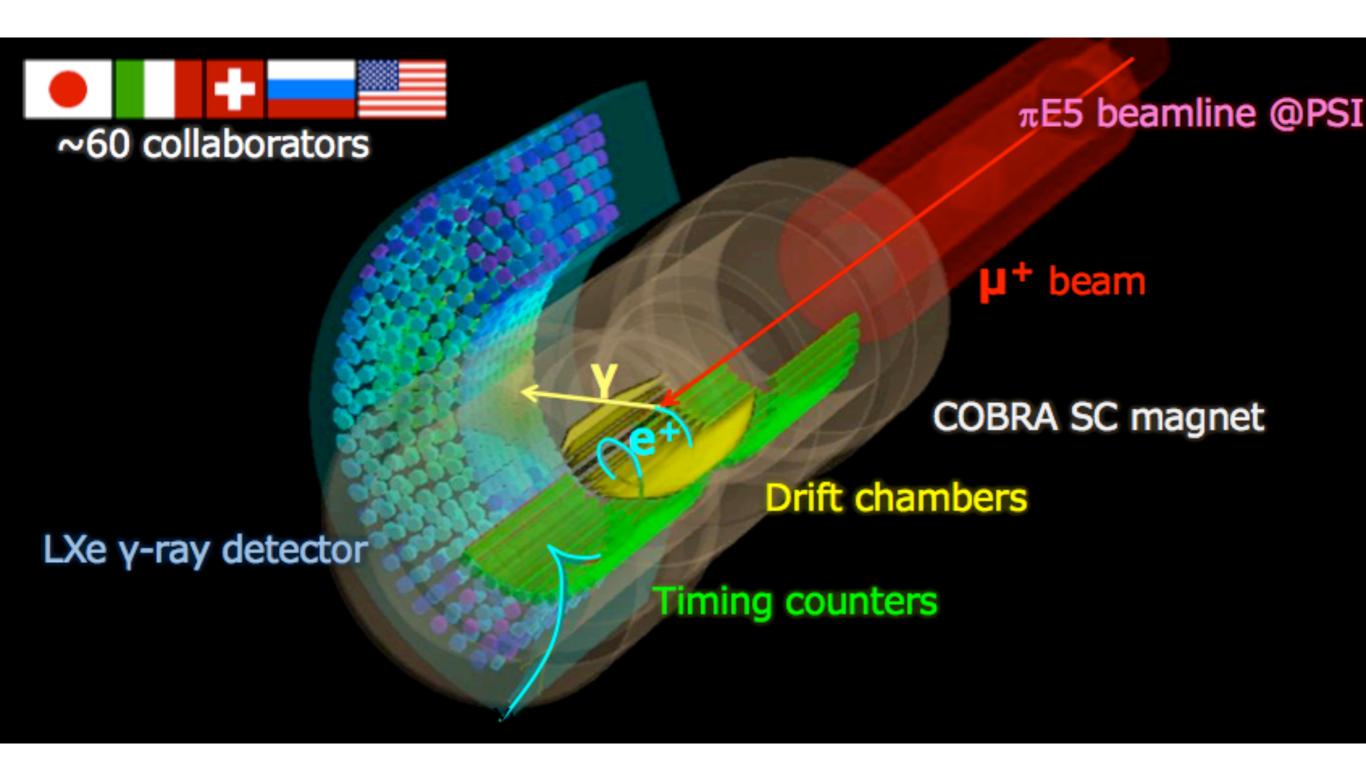


Trigger improvements through time thanks to improved online resolutions (DM improvement) and multiple buffer readout implementation (MB)











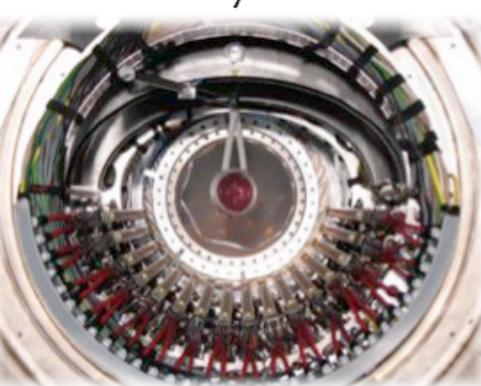
#### Detector Pictures

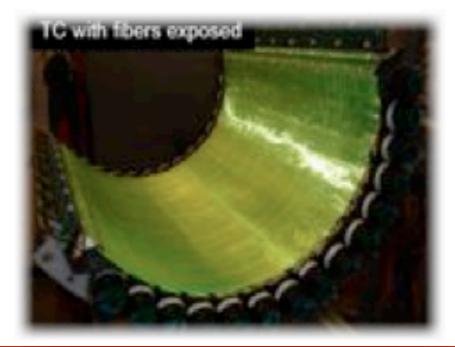


DC system

LXe detector







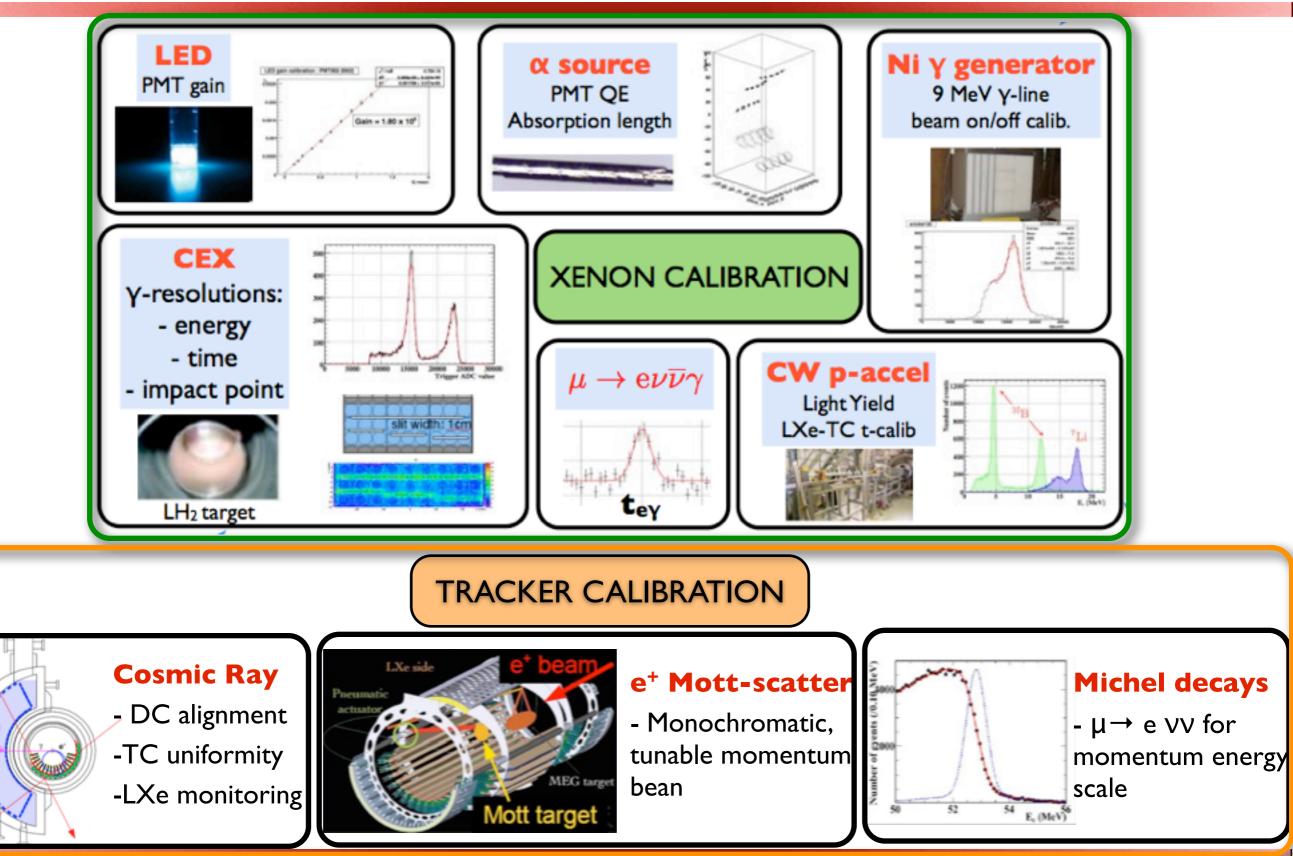
Beam Line



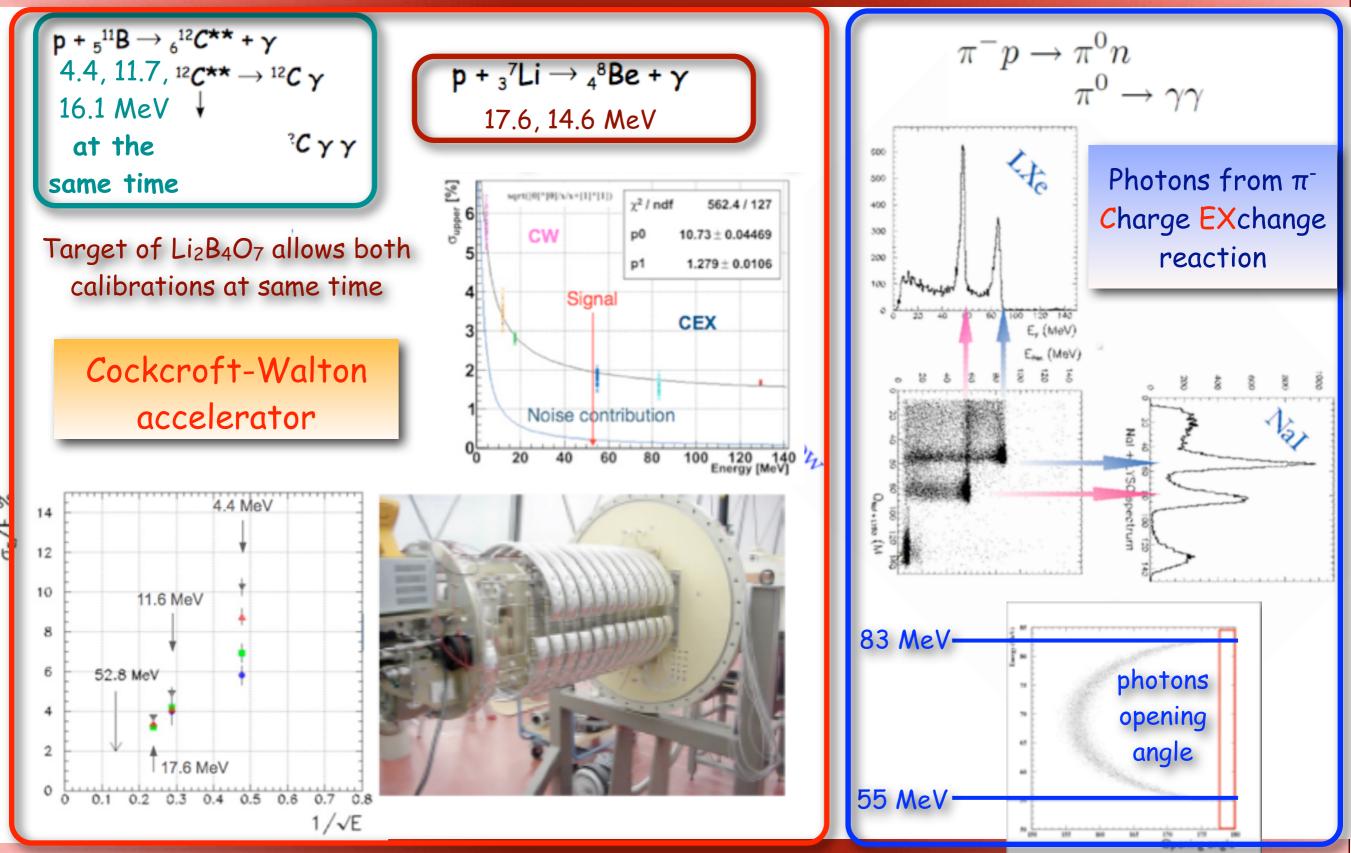


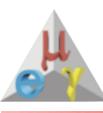
### Calibrations





### CW and CEX calibrations



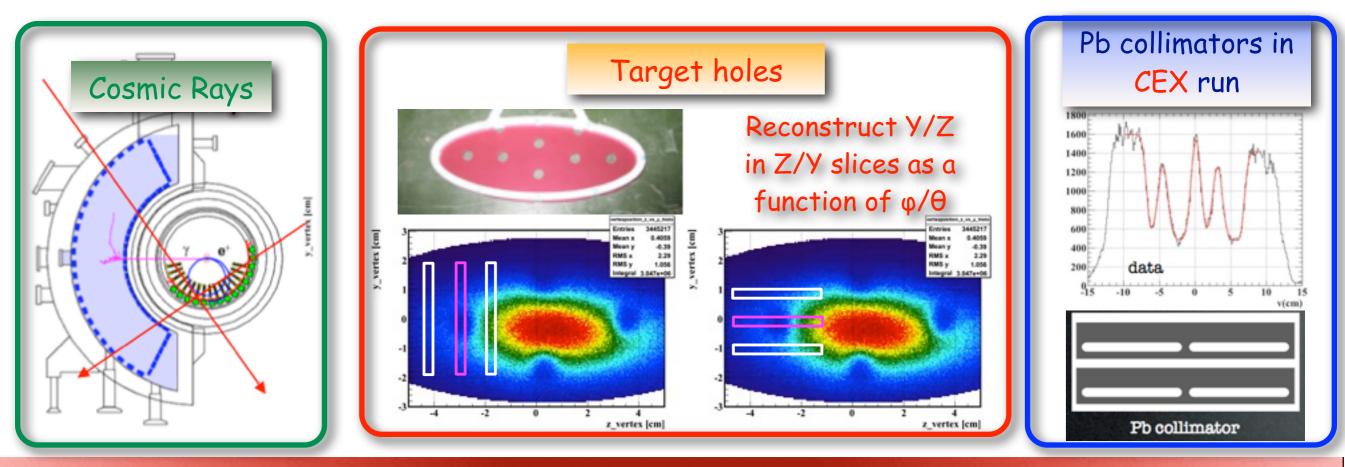


# Alignment



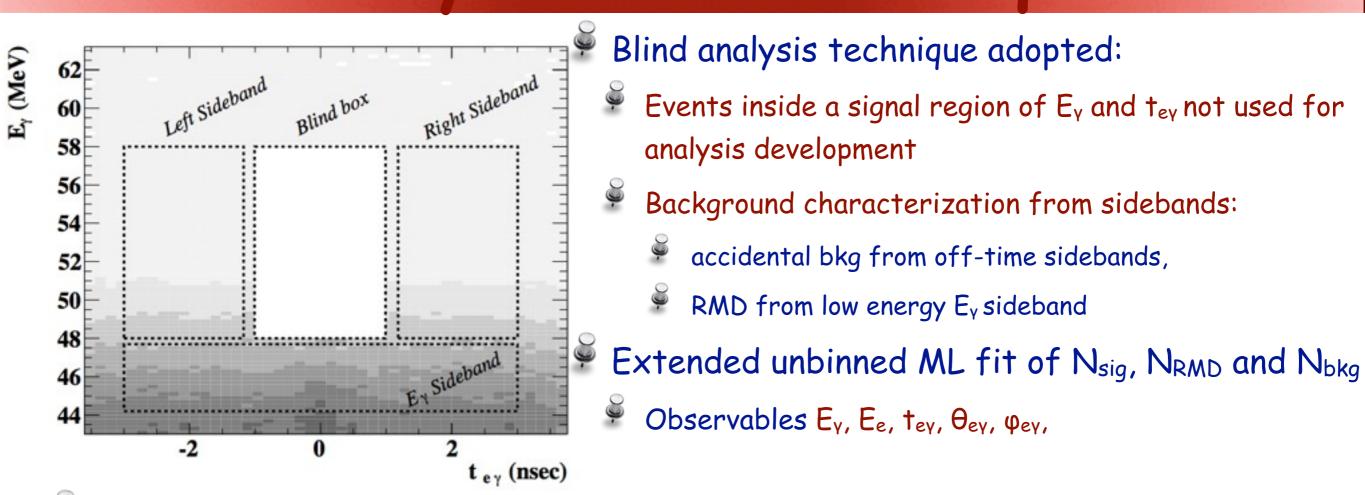
- Good alignment is crucial to reduce systematics on relative photon-positron angle
  - No back to back source for calibration
  - Nonetheless, we improved alignment inside and among detectors
    - DC B field target LXe

- Tools:
  - Optical surveys
  - 👻 DC: Millipede (a la CMS)
    - with cosmic rays + Michel e<sup>+</sup>
  - Target holes
  - 🚪 LXe: Pb collimators
  - B field: resolutions and correlations (see later)



### Analysis Technique





Number of muons stopped on target:  $1.7 \times 10^{14}$  (6.5 × 10<sup>13</sup> (2009) + 1.1 × 10<sup>14</sup> (2010))

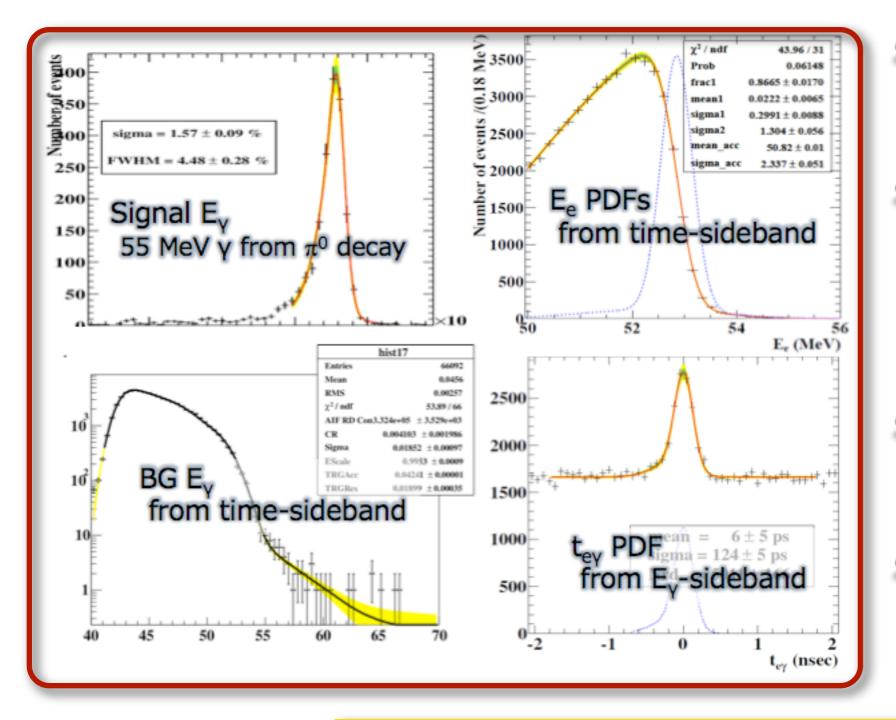
- Count unbiased Michel sample in physics data simultaneously with the signal
  - $\checkmark$  Count RMD sample in E<sub>y</sub> sideband (independent sample) for consistency check
- Independent of instantaneous beam rate and insensitive to acceptance and efficiency

$$\mathrm{BR}(\mu^+ \to e^+ \gamma) \;=\; \frac{N_{\mathrm{sig}}}{N_{e\nu\bar{\nu}}} \times \frac{f_{e\nu\bar{\nu}}^E}{P} \times \frac{\epsilon_{e\nu\bar{\nu}}^{\mathrm{trig}}}{\epsilon_{e\gamma}^{\mathrm{trig}}} \times \frac{A_{e\nu\bar{\nu}}^{\mathrm{TC}}}{A_{e\gamma}^{\mathrm{TC}}} \times \frac{\epsilon_{e\nu\bar{\nu}}^{\mathrm{DCH}}}{\epsilon_{e\gamma}^{\mathrm{DCH}}} \times \frac{1}{A_{e\gamma}^{\mathrm{g}}} \times \frac{1}{\epsilon_{e\gamma}}$$









Signal E<sub>e</sub> PDF from fit to Michel edge data

Signal angle PDFs measured on data from tracks which make two turns inside the spectrometer

Background angle PDFs measured on time sideband

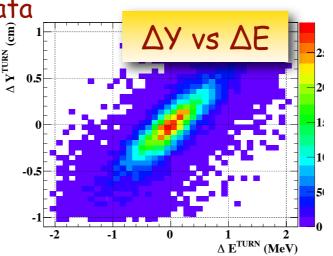
RMD PDFs from theoretical distributions convoluted with measured resolutions

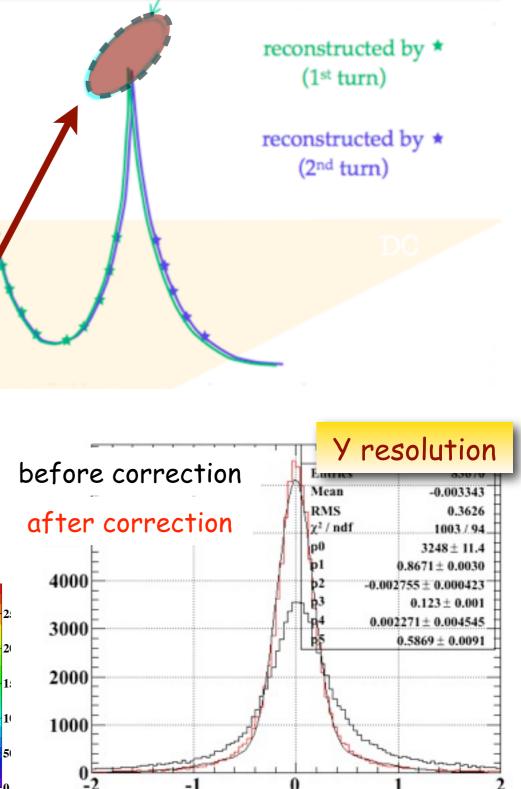
Fit variables:  $E_{\gamma}$ ,  $E_{e}$ ,  $t_{e\gamma}$ ,  $\theta_{e\gamma}$ ,  $\phi_{e\gamma}$ 

#### Signal Positron PDFs & Correlations

- Signal positron PDFs are evaluated from tracks which make 2 turns inside the spectrometer, treating each turn as an independent pseudo track
- Since all positrons must come from the target (~200 µm thick, fairly considered bidimensional in our analysis), this constraint removes one degree of freedom from the problem, introducing correlations among all positrons track parameters and resolutions
- This geometrical effect worsen resolutions, which can nevertheless be partially recovered taking correlations into account in the likelihood analysis
- Evaluating resolution at the 2-turn track turning point on a fictitious plane with same inclination as the target allows to extract correlations from data

$$\begin{split} \delta \phi_e &= -2 \tan \phi_e \frac{\delta R}{R} = -2 \tan \phi_e \frac{\delta E}{E} \\ \delta Y &= 2 \delta R \cos \phi_e + R \sin \phi_e \delta \phi_e = \frac{2R}{\cos \phi_e} \frac{\delta E}{E} \\ \delta Z &= \frac{2R}{\sin^2 \theta_e} \delta \theta_e - 2R \cot \theta_e \frac{\delta E}{E} \end{split}$$











	2009	2010	
γ energy	1.9%(w> 2cm), 2.4%(w< 2cm)	1.9%(w> 2cm), 2.4%(w< 2cm)	
γ timing	96 ps	67 ps	
Y position	5 mm (u,v), 6 mm(w)	5 mm (u,v), 6 mm(w)	
y efficiency	58%	59%	Slightly worse et
e <sup>+</sup> timing	107 ps	107 ps	tracking in 2010 ← due to noise
e <sup>+</sup> energy	0.31 MeV (80% core)	0.32 MeV (79% core)	problem
e <sup>+</sup> angle (θ)	9.4 mrad	II.0 mrad	
e <sup>+</sup> angle (φ)	6.7 mrad	7.2 mrad	
$e^+$ vertex (Z/Y)	1.5 mm/1.1 mm(core)	2.0 mm/1.1 mm(core)	
e <sup>+</sup> efficiency	40%	34%	
e <sup>+</sup> - γ timing	146 ps	122 ps	
Trigger efficiency	91%	92%	Photon timing
$e^+$ - $\gamma$ angle ( $\theta$ )	14.5 mrad	17.1 mrad	improvement thanks
e <sup>+</sup> - γ angle (φ)	13.1 mrad	14.0 mrad	to WF digitizer
Stopping µ rate	2.9 x 10 <sup>7</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	2.9 x 10 <sup>7</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	upgrade in 2010
DAQ time/ Real time	35 days/43 days	56 days/67 days	
Total stopped $\mu$	6.5 x 10 <sup>13</sup>	1.1 x 10 <sup>14</sup>	



#### This result arXiv:1107.5547 Accepted by PRL



2009 + 2010 dataset combined analysis (2010 data ~ 2 x 2009 data)

Finproved understanding of the experiment w.r.t. ICHEP 2010:

- Improved alignment inside and among detectors through newly developed techniques
- Improved magnetic field map
- Implementation of correlations at the target in likelihood analysis, strongly reducing the systematics and the effective resolutions

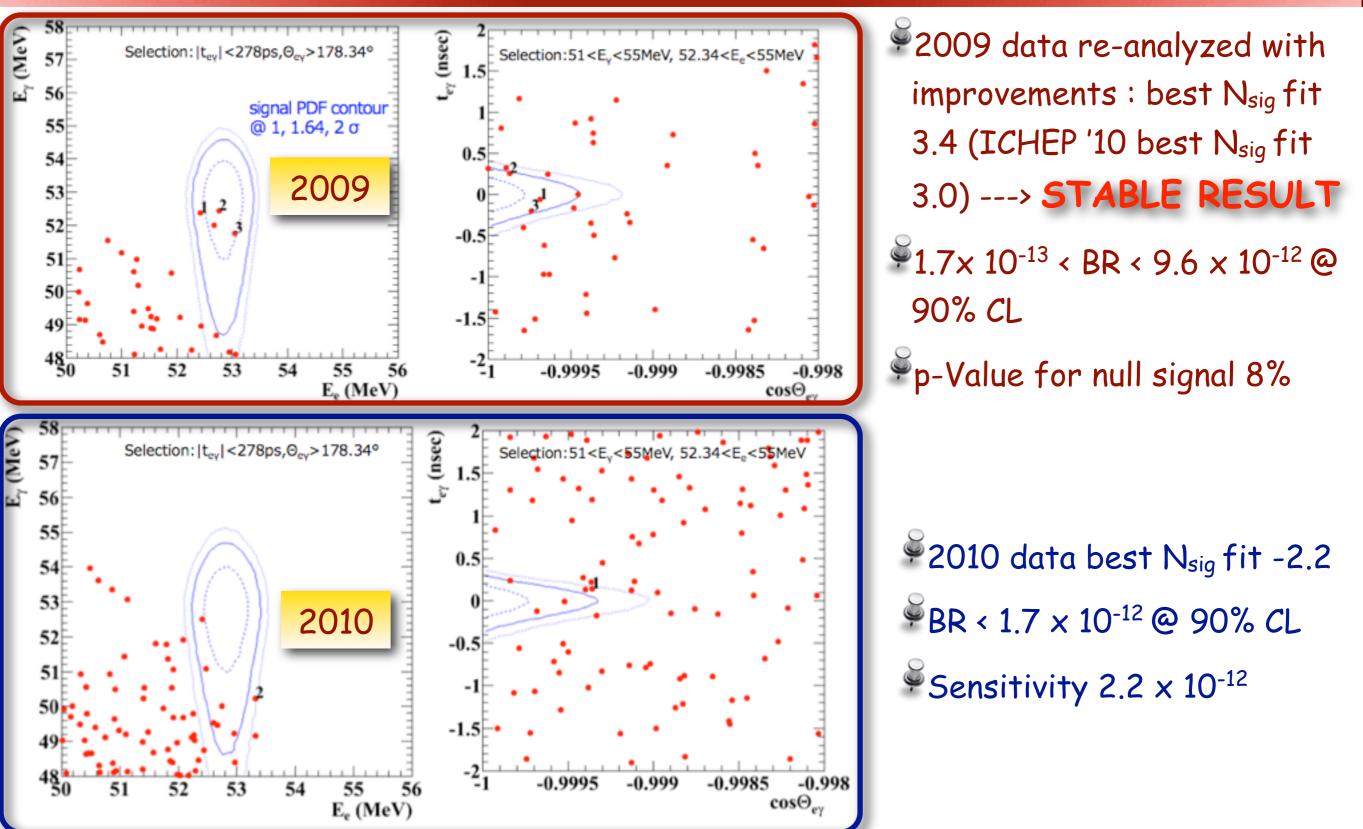
Improvements in the likelihood analysis technique w.r.t. ICHEP 2010
N<sub>bkg</sub> constrained from sideband data
Profile-likelihood interval with Feldman-Cousins method

compare best UL 12 x 10<sup>-12</sup>

Sensitivity
confirmed on
time AND
angular
sideband data

Sensitivity of combined data 1.6 x  $10^{-12}$  @ 90% CL 3.3 x  $10^{-12}$  in 2009 + 2.2 x  $10^{-12}$  in 2010

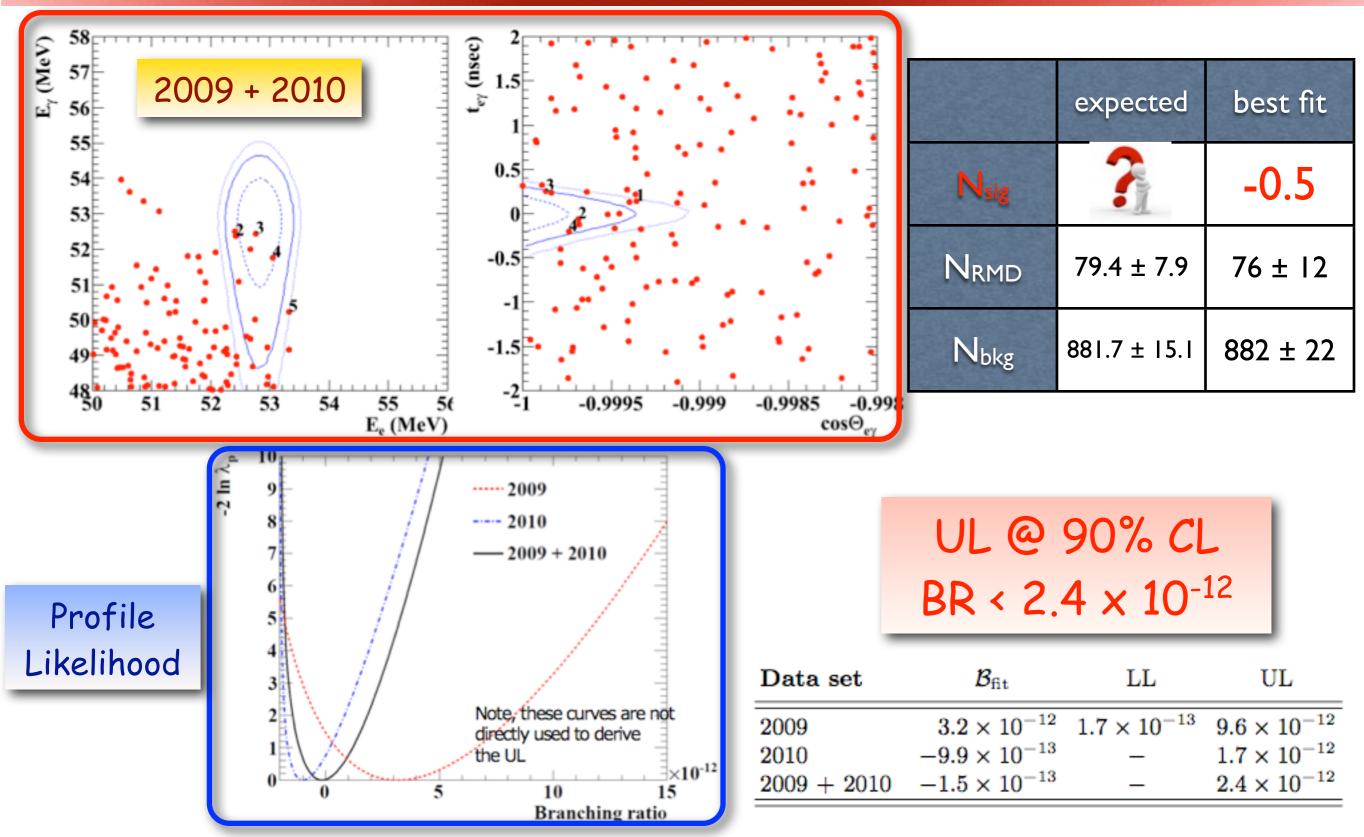
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#### Combined Result

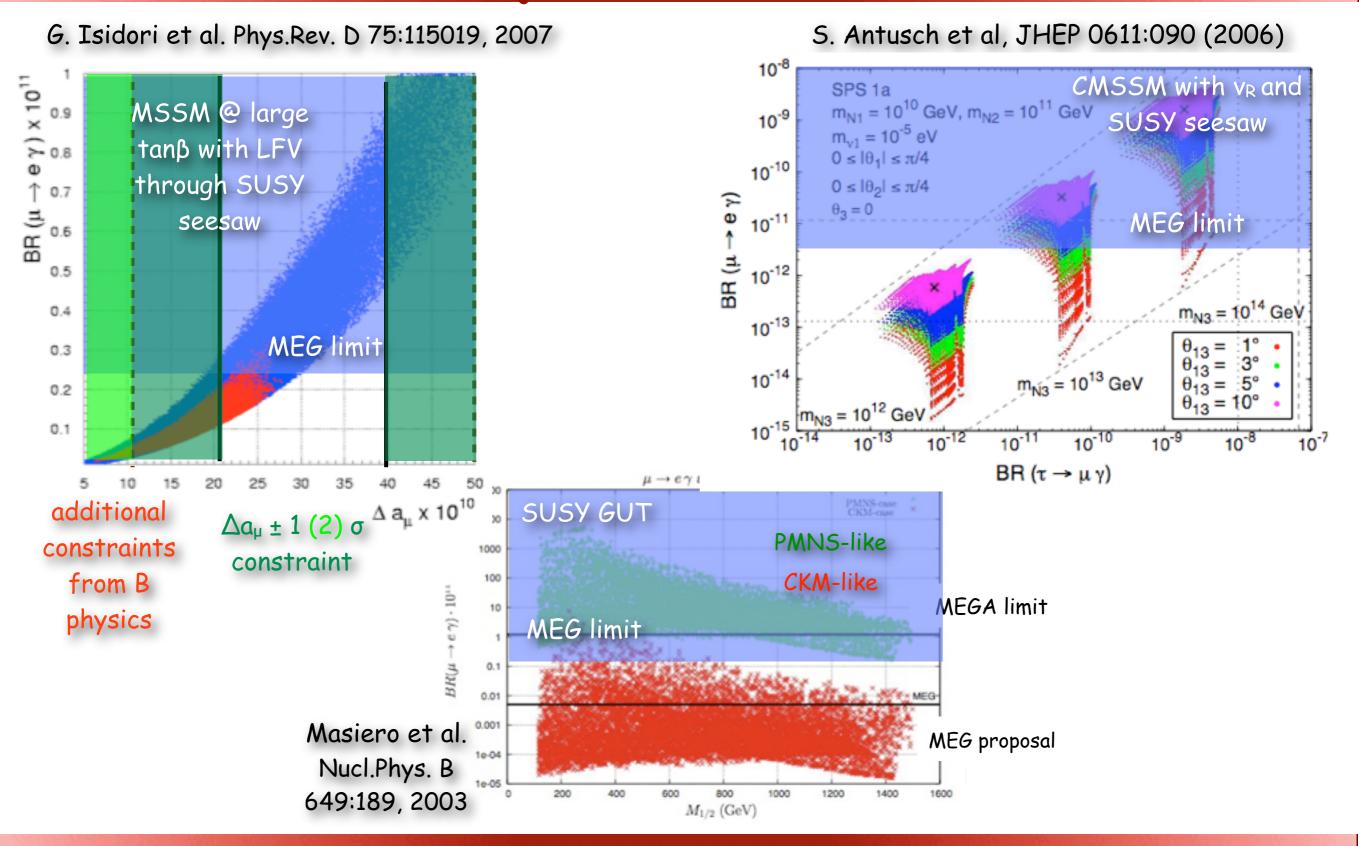


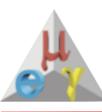




#### Implications



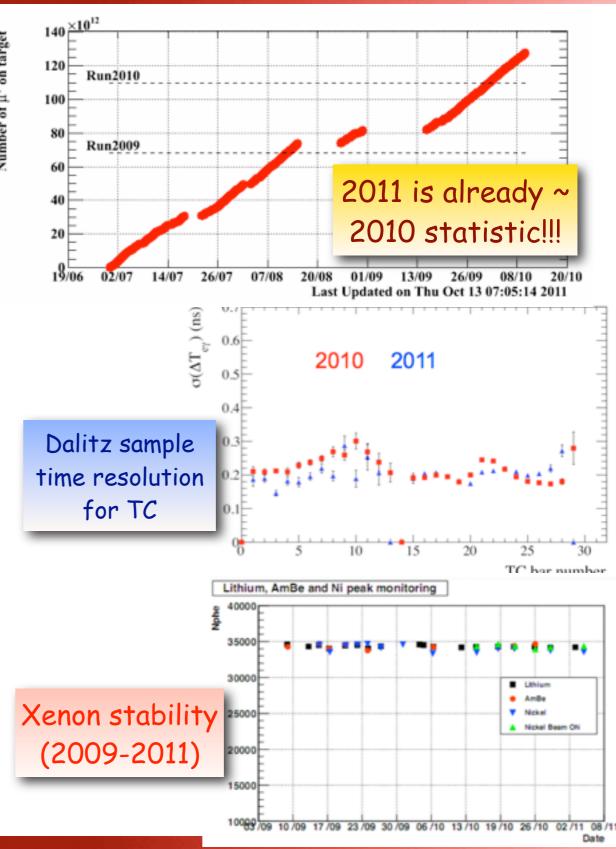




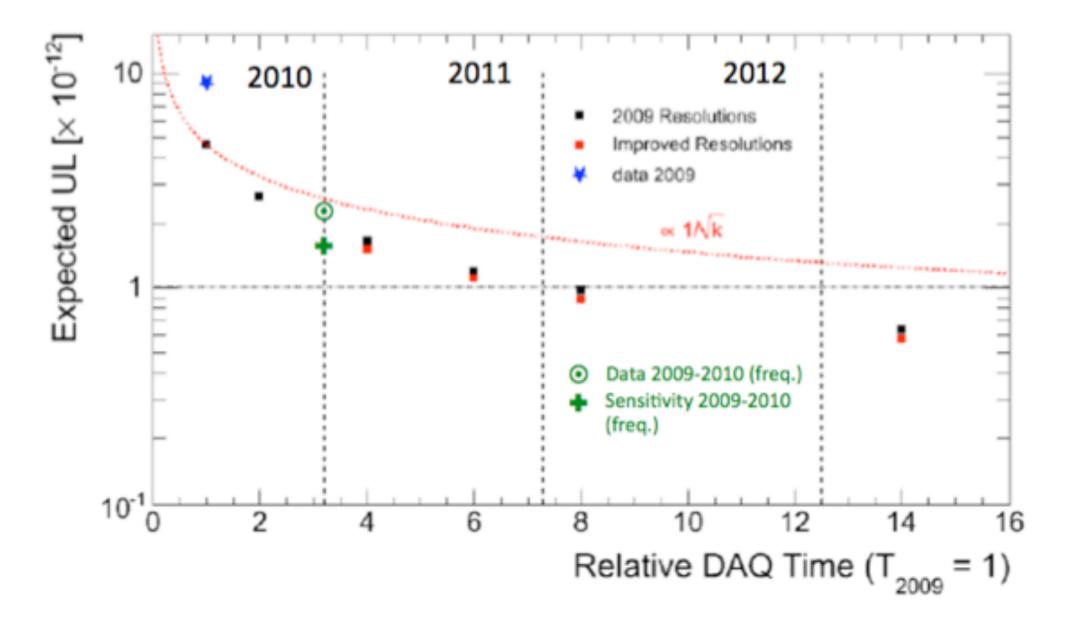
### 2011 Run



2011 data taking started in July By now, collected already ~ 2010 statistic Expected to acquire ~ 2 x 2010 statistic this year Improved DAQ & trigger efficiency up to >99% live time with >95% efficiency Improved noise conditions in DC thanks to new HV power supplies TC fibers APDs operational All positron and photon resolutions consistent with 2010 already with preliminary alignment and calibrations



# A Sensitivity prospects KEK-JAPAN



MEG data taking will continue through 2012

Sensitivity projection in the  $5 \times 10^{-13}$  range

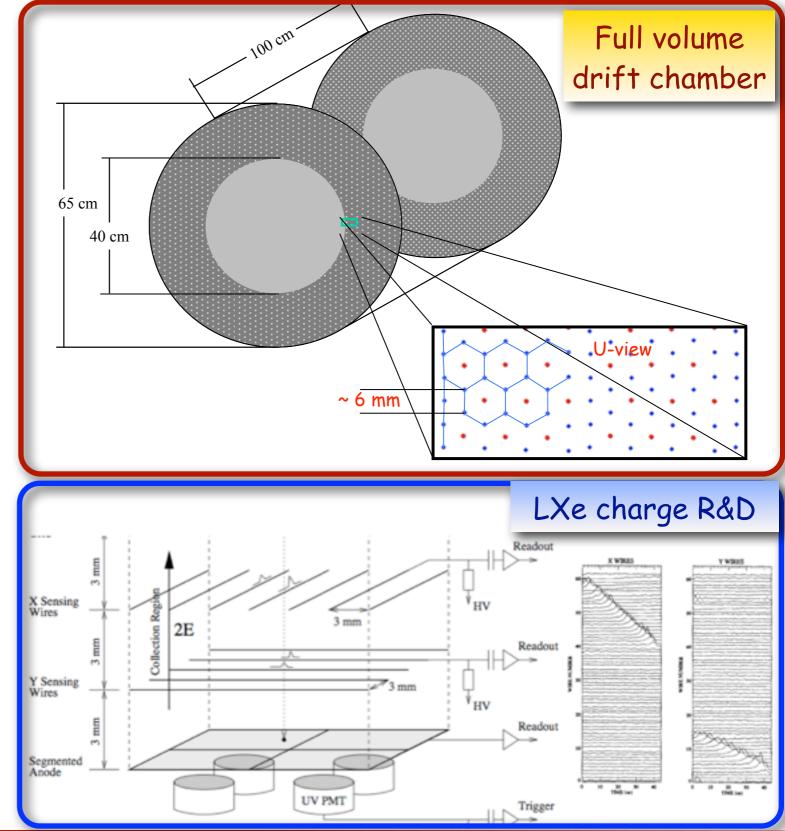
# A Proposals for upgrade KEK-JAPAN

- Several proposals for LXe and tracker short and long term upgrades LXe:
  - Short term: low reflectivity internal surface
  - Long term: replacement of internal window PMTs and use of charge information (italian MIUR independent R&D)

#### Tracker:

- Short term: change DC gas, target inclination and TC cables
- Long term: replace tracker, either full volume DC (capable of isolating primary ionization clusters) or set of scintillating films

R&D now starting





2009 + 2010 MEG data analysis consistent with null signal

Most stringent UL on LFV improved by a factor 5

BR(
$$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma$$
) < 2.4 x 10<sup>-12</sup> @ 90% CL

MEG resumed data taking in July and have already accumulated ~ 2010 statistic with improved trigger, DAQ and DC noise conditions

> Expected sensitivity at the end of 2012: a few 10<sup>13</sup> Stay tuned!! :)

Several proposal for a short (2012-2013) and long term (2015-2016?) upgrades to further improve sensitivity



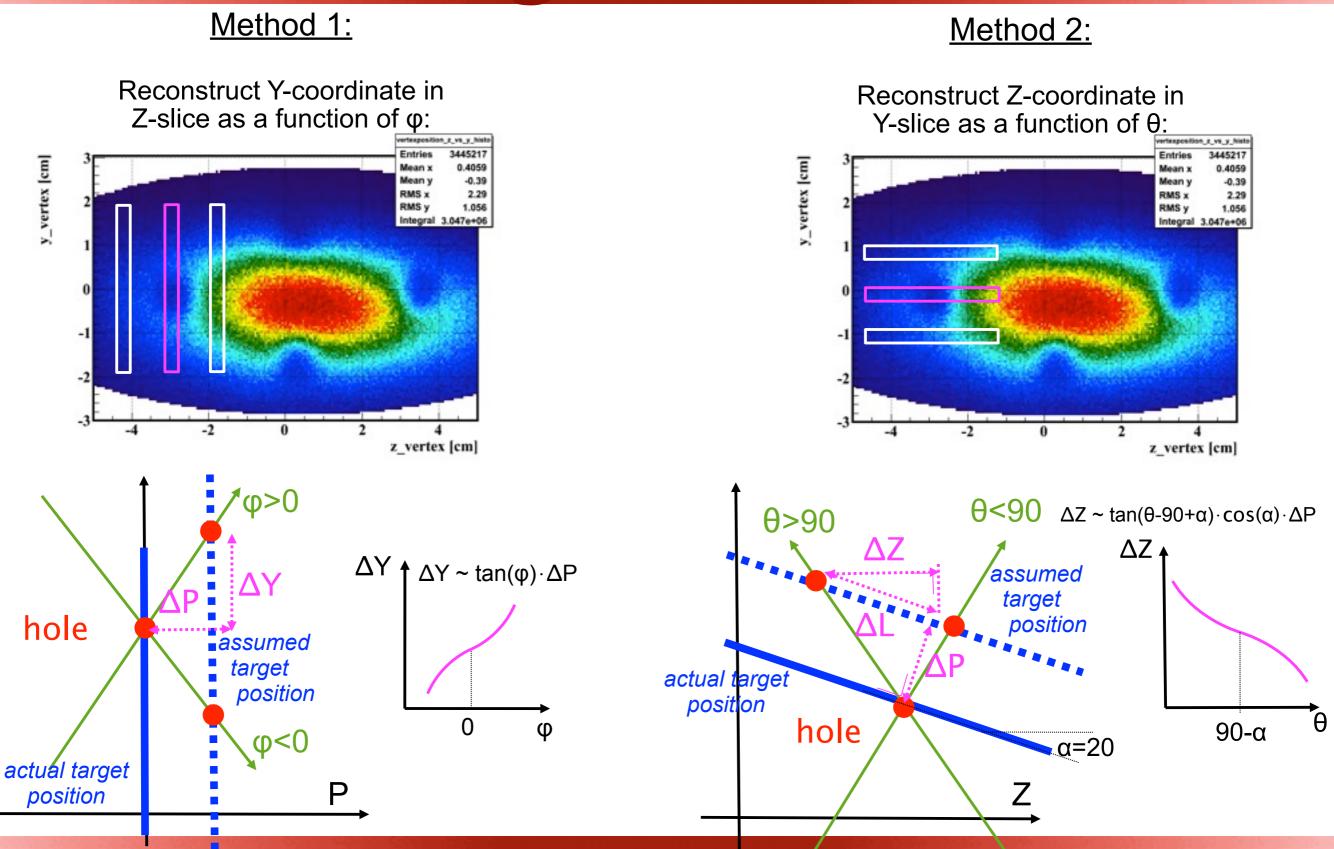




# Backup slides

#### Target Holes





Some more numbers :)

#### Fit region

48 $\leq E_{\gamma} \leq$  58MeV, 50 $\leq E_{e} \leq$  56MeV,  $|t_{e\gamma}| \leq$  0.7ns,  $|\theta_{e\gamma}| \leq$  50mrad,  $|\phi_{e\gamma}| \leq$  50mrad

#### Sensitivity

Nsig

BR

3.4

3.2 ×10<sup>-12</sup>

	2009	2010	Combined
<b>N<sub>sig</sub> (</b> median)	3.6	4.8	5.2
BR (median)	3.3 ×10 <sup>-12</sup>	2.2 ×10 <sup>-12</sup>	1.6 ×10 <sup>-12</sup>

2009 + 2010 combined					
	Best fit LL (90% CL) UL (90% CL) UL (95% CL) CL@				CL@0
<b>N</b> sig	-0.5	-	7.8(7.7)	9.8(N/A)	-
BR	-1.5×10 <sup>-13</sup>	-	2.4 ×10 <sup>-12</sup> (2.3×10 <sup>-12</sup> )	2.9 ×10 <sup>-12</sup> (N/A)	-

#### 2009

	Best fit	Error (MINOS 1.645o)		
N <sub>sig</sub>	+3.4	+6.6-4.4		
NRMD	+26.9	+4.5-4.5		
N <sub>BG</sub>	+273.1	+12.3-12.3		

0.2(0.2)

Bes	t fit	LL (90	%CL)	UL (90%)	CL)	UL (95%CL)
	N <sub>BG</sub>	+273.1	+12.	3–12.3		
	NRMD	+26.9	+4.	5–4.5		
	- sig	10.4	+0.	0-4.4		

1.7 ×10<sup>-13</sup>(1.7 ×10<sup>-13</sup>) 9.6 ×10<sup>-12</sup>(9.4 ×10<sup>-12</sup>)

10.4(10.1)

2	010	
	Best fit	Error (MI
N	2.2	15

N <sub>sig</sub>	-2.2	+5.0-1.9	
N <sub>RMD</sub>	ND +50.2 +9.2-9.2		
N <sub>BG</sub>	+608.5	+18.7–18.6	

NOS 1.645<sub>0</sub>)

	Best fit	LL (90%CL)	UL (90%CL)	UL (95%CL)	CL@0
<b>N</b> sig	-2.2	-	3.8(3.7)	5.0(N/A)	-
BR	-9.9 ×10 <sup>-13</sup>	-	1.7 ×10 <sup>-12</sup> (1.7 ×10 <sup>-12</sup> )	2.3 ×10 <sup>-12</sup> (N/A)	-

CL@0

0.92(0.92)

0.92(0.92)

11.9(N/A)

1.1 ×10<sup>-11</sup>(N/A)







Systematics effect taken into account in the calculation of confidence interval by profiling on (N<sub>RD</sub>, N<sub>BKG</sub>) and by fluctuating PDFs according to the uncertainty values

- All the results shown have systematic effects taken into account
- Size of systematic uncertainty in in total 2% on the UL: 2.3 × 10<sup>−12</sup> --> 2.4 × 10<sup>−12</sup>
- Contribution of each item in the list was studied with toy MC experiments by comparing the results with the nominal PDFs and the one with the fluctuated ones

#### Relative contributions on UL

Center of $\theta_{e\gamma}$ and $\phi_{e\gamma}$	0.18
Positron correlations	0.16
Normalization	0.13
$E_{\gamma}$ scale	0.07
$E_{\rm e}$ bias, core and tail	0.06
$t_{\rm e\gamma}$ center	0.06
$E_{\gamma}$ BG shape	0.04
$E_{\gamma}$ signal shape	0.03
Positron angle resolutions ( $\theta_{\rm e}, \phi_{\rm e}, z_{\rm e}, y_{\rm e}$ )	0.02
$\gamma$ angle resolution $(u_{\gamma}, v_{\gamma}, w_{\gamma})$	0.02
$E_{\rm e}$ BG shape	0.02
$E_{\rm e}$ signal shape	0.01