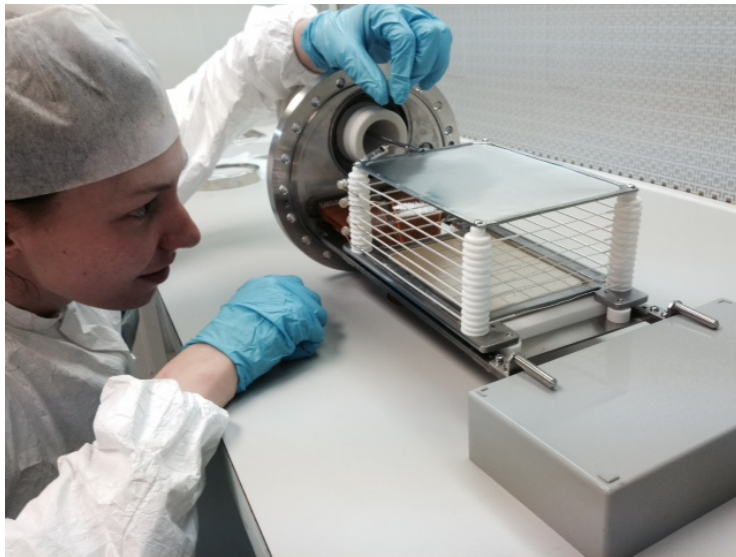


# Precision Muon Physics

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MuSun



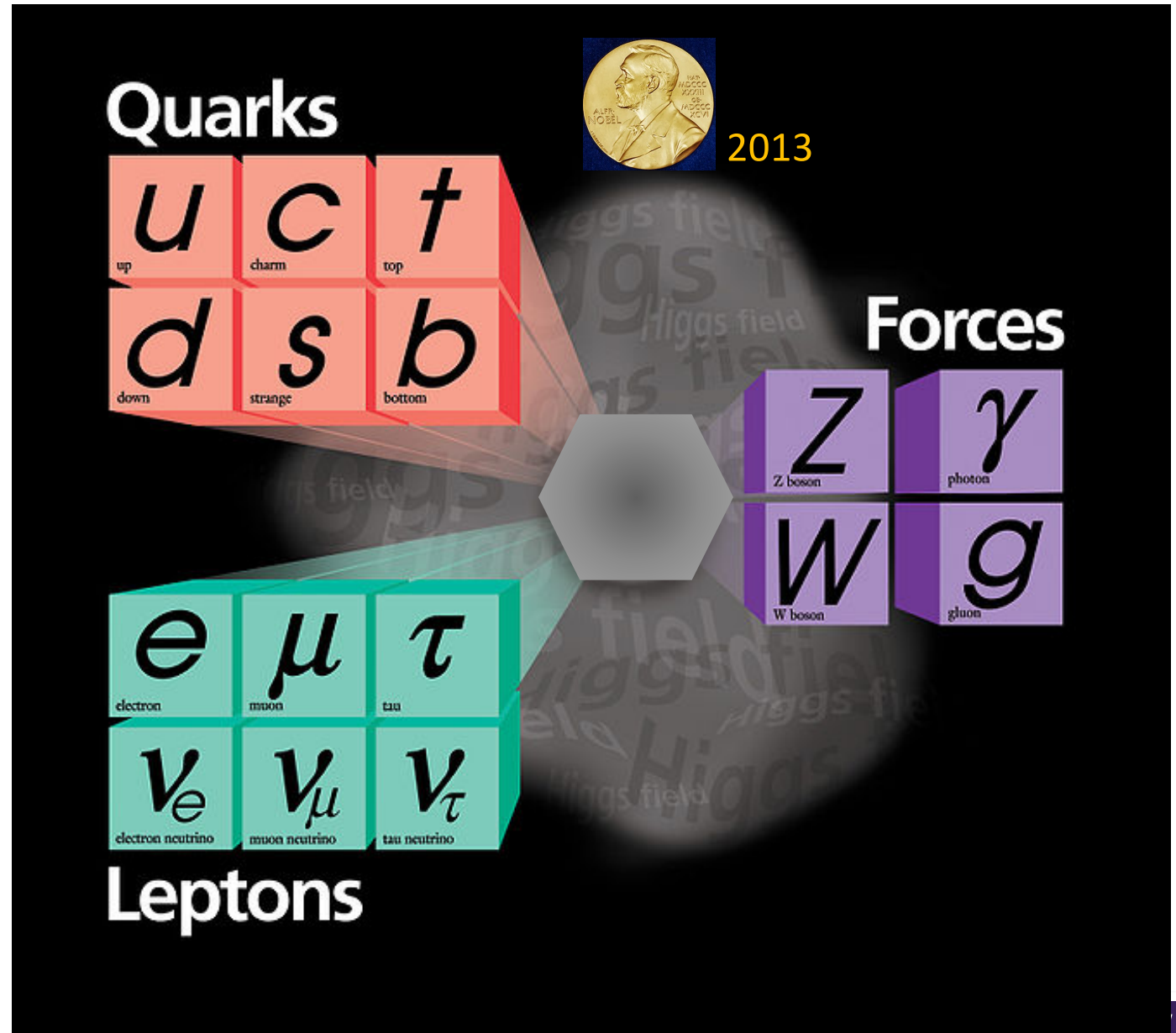
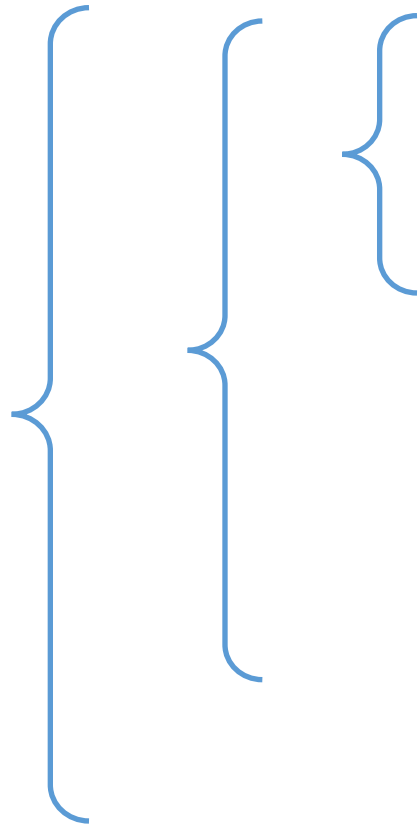
Muon g-2

# Outline

- Introduction
- MuSun Weak few nucleon reactions and astrophysics
- Muon  $g-2$  Search for New Physics



# The Standard Model



# Standard Model Equations

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} = & -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \\ & + i \bar{\Psi} \not{D} \Psi + h.c. \\ & + \bar{\Psi}_i \gamma_{ij} \Psi_j \phi + h.c. \\ & + |D_\mu \phi|^2 - V(\phi)\end{aligned}$$

- Predictions to extremely high precision
- Last 30 years experiments tried to find cracks, to guide deeper understanding
- Strong interaction (Quantum Chromodynamics) still difficult to calculate (Lattice QCD)



# What's special about Muons?

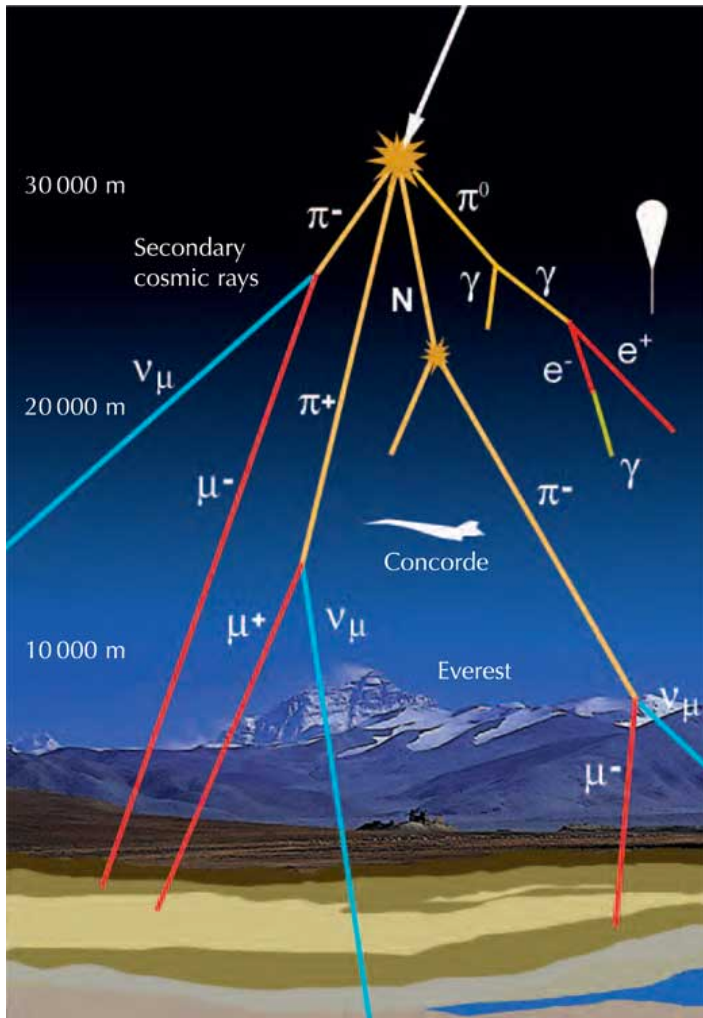
Summary of measured Muon properties and selected decay rates and limits.

| Property  | Symbol                  | Value                                    | Precision             |
|---|-------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Mass  | $m_\mu$                 | 105.658 3715(35) MeV                     | 34 ppb                |
| Mean lifetime                                       | $\tau_\mu$              | $2.196\,9811(22) \times 10^{-6}$ s       | 1.0 ppm               |
| Anom. mag. moment                                   | $a_\mu$                 | $116\,592\,091(63) \times 10^{-11}$      | 0.54 ppm              |
| Elec. dipole moment                                 | $d_\mu$                 | $<1.9 \times 10^{-19} e \cdot \text{cm}$ | 95% C.L.              |
| Branching ratios                                    | PDG average             | B.R. limits                              | 90% C.L.              |
| $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- \bar{\nu}_e \nu_\mu$         | $\approx 100\%$         | $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- \gamma$           | $5.7 \times 10^{-13}$ |
| $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- \bar{\nu}_e \nu_\mu \gamma$  | 1.4(4)%                 | $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- e^+ e^-$          | $1.0 \times 10^{-12}$ |
| $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- \bar{\nu}_e \nu_\mu e^+ e^-$ | $3.4(4) \times 10^{-5}$ | $\mu^- \rightarrow e^-$ conversion       | $7 \times 10^{-13}$   |

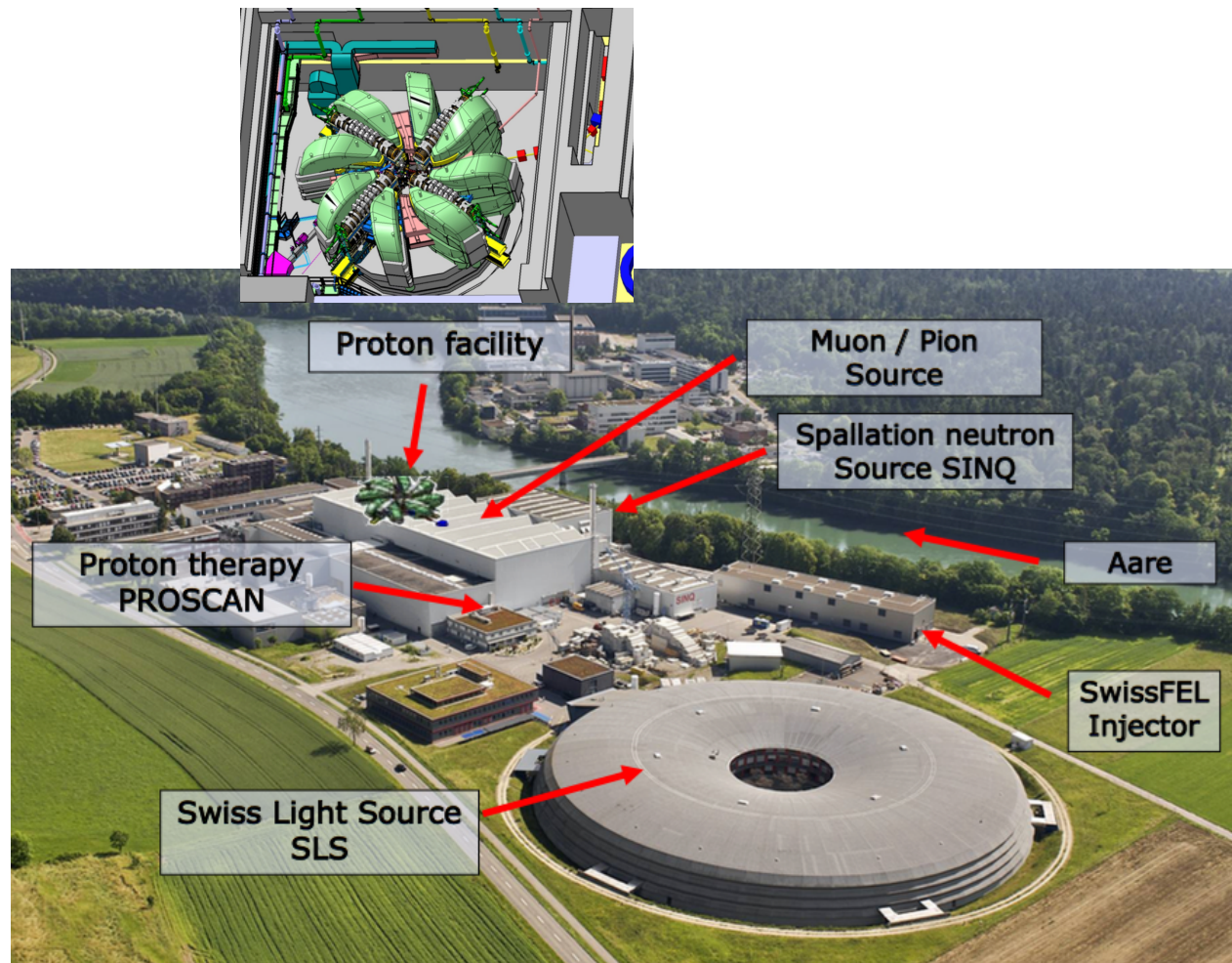
- Precision physics @ Intensity frontier
- Muon decay: basic structure of weak interactions
- Muon capture probes nuclear weak interactions, MuSun
- Quantum loop sensitivity to new physics  $(m_\mu/m_e)^2$ , Muon g-2
- Charged Lepton Flavor violation
- Muon collider, MSR, etc



# How are they generated?

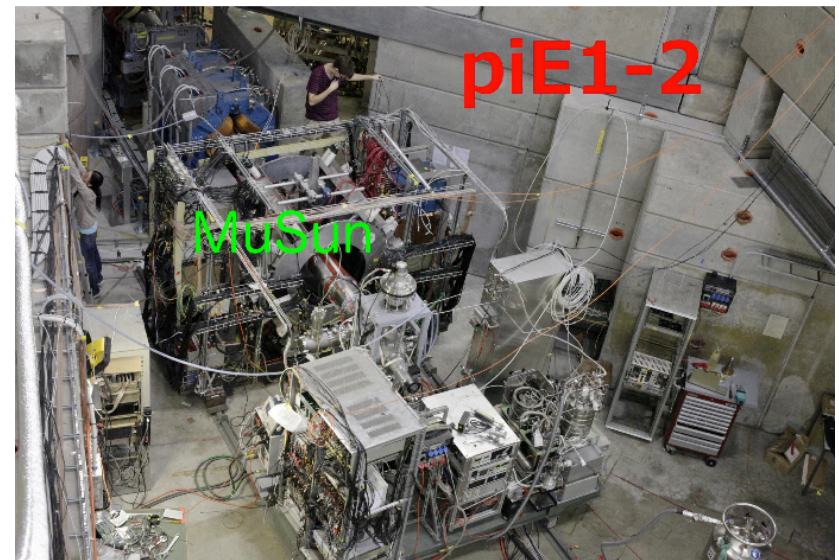
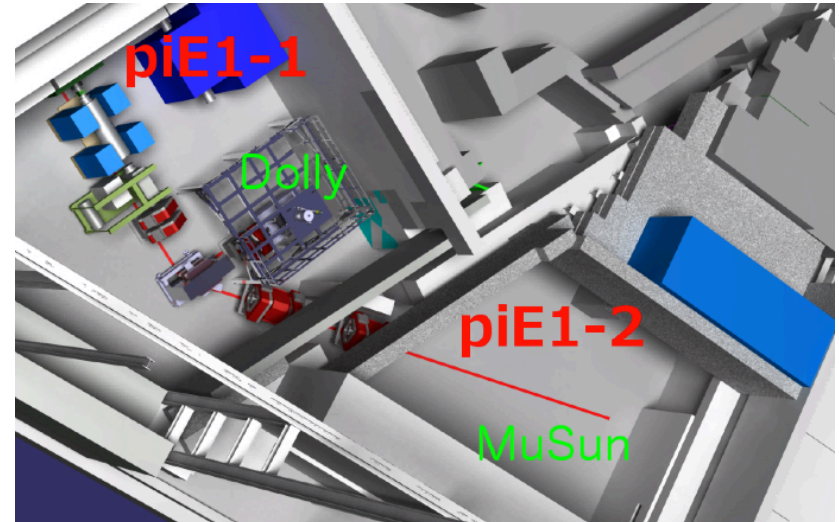


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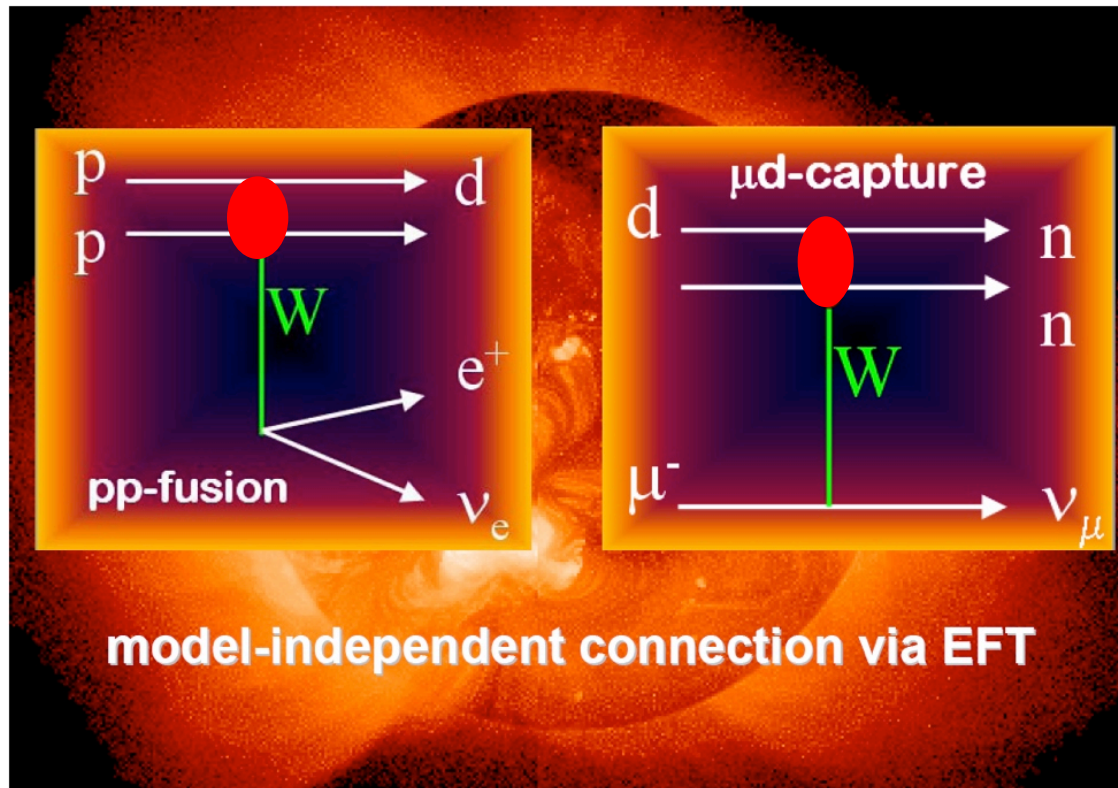


# PSI and "our" Beamline



# MuSun Experiment

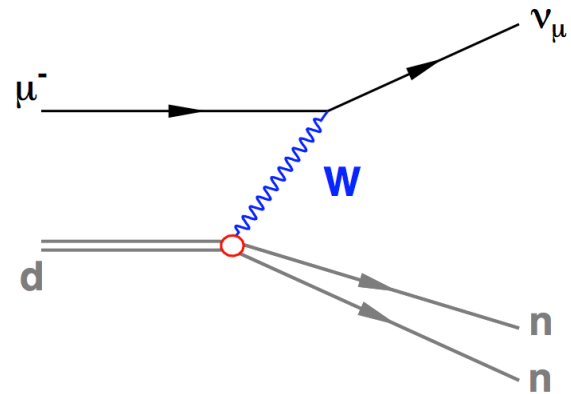
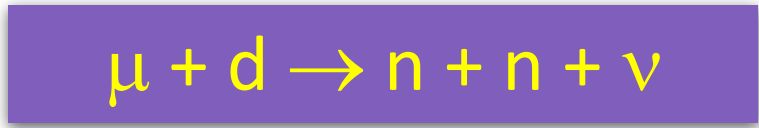
## Precision measurement of SM parameters



# Muon capture on the deuteron

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- Goal: measure capture rate to 1.5 %



- Motivation:

- Low energy effective field theory of QCD has been developed. This theory describes protons, neutrons and nuclei consistent with the fundamental QCD.

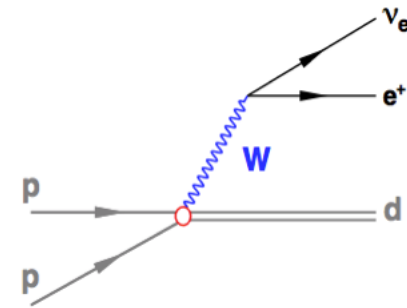
**Parameters have to be determined from experiment.**

- Prediction for basic astrophysics reactions depend on this knowledge.

**“Calibrate the Sun”**

# Calibrating the sun and neutrino interactions 10

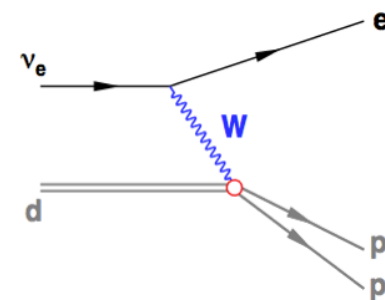
The sun is powered by proton-proton fusion



The neutrino deficit from the sun led to the discovery of neutrino oscillation using



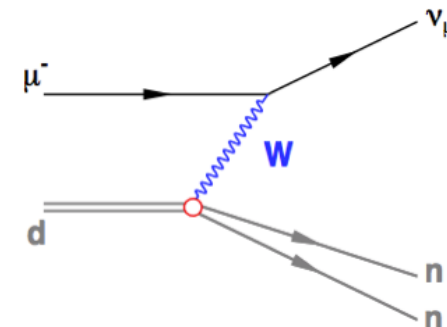
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The rates for both reactions cannot be determined at terrestrial conditions. The calculation is challenging.



Calibrate via the related *muonic* reaction:

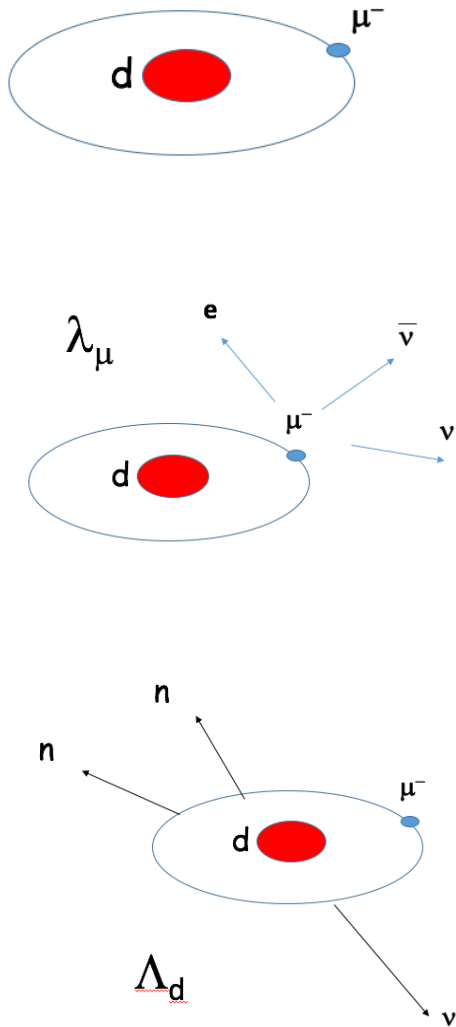


**But existing measurements poor !**





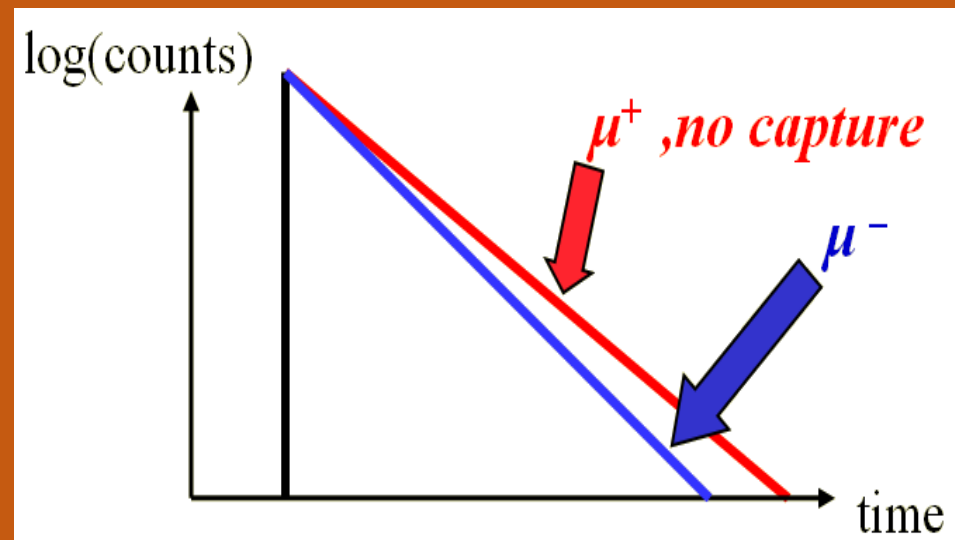
# Experimental technique



$\Lambda \sim Z^4 !$

- $\mu d \rightarrow n n \nu$  rare, only 0.1% of  $\mu \rightarrow e \nu \nu$
- neutron detection not precise enough

Lifetime method



$$\Lambda_d = \lambda_- - \lambda_+$$

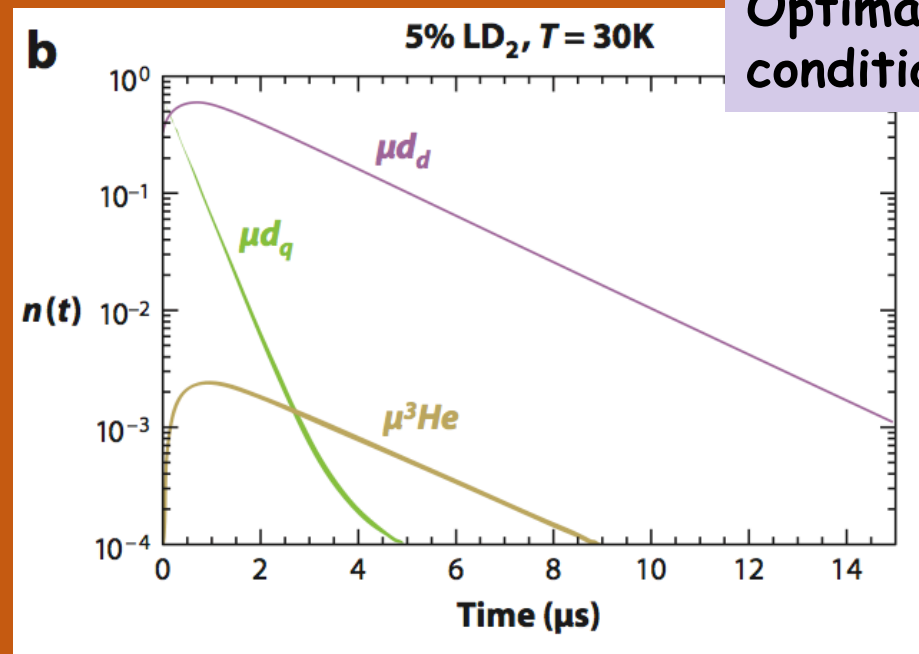
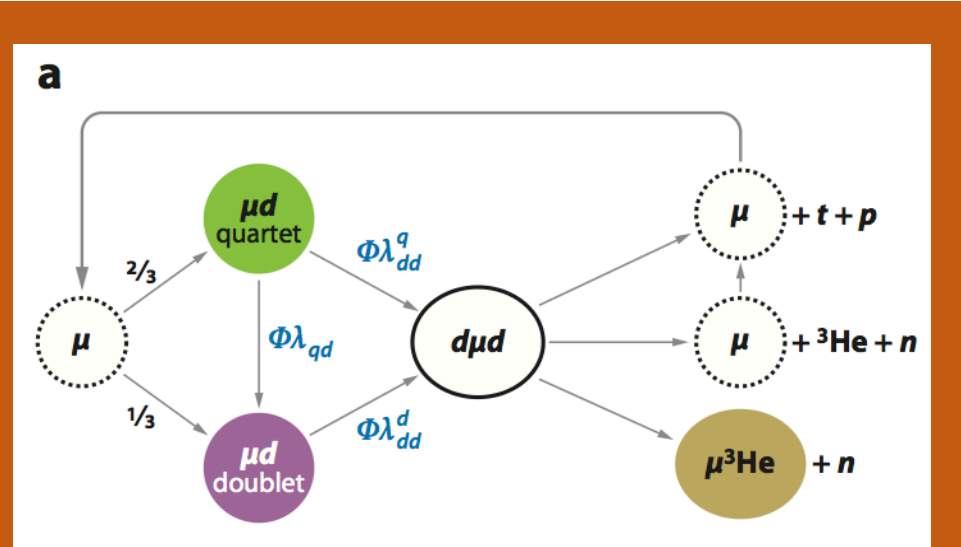
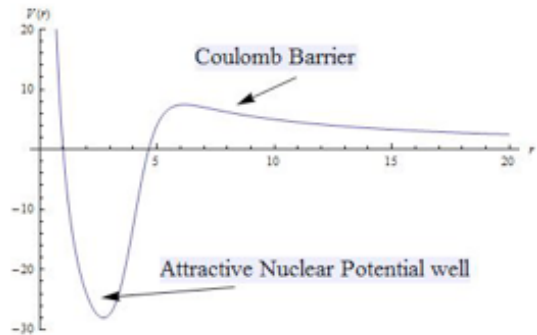
measure  $\lambda_-$  to 10ppm

# Experimental technique

Muonic atoms  $m_e/m_\mu$   
smaller than ordinary atoms

Muon-catalyzed fusion  
of  $dd\mu$  molecules

Requires energy to overcome Coulomb repulsion



Optimal conditions

# MuSun Experimental Strategy

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Precision technique

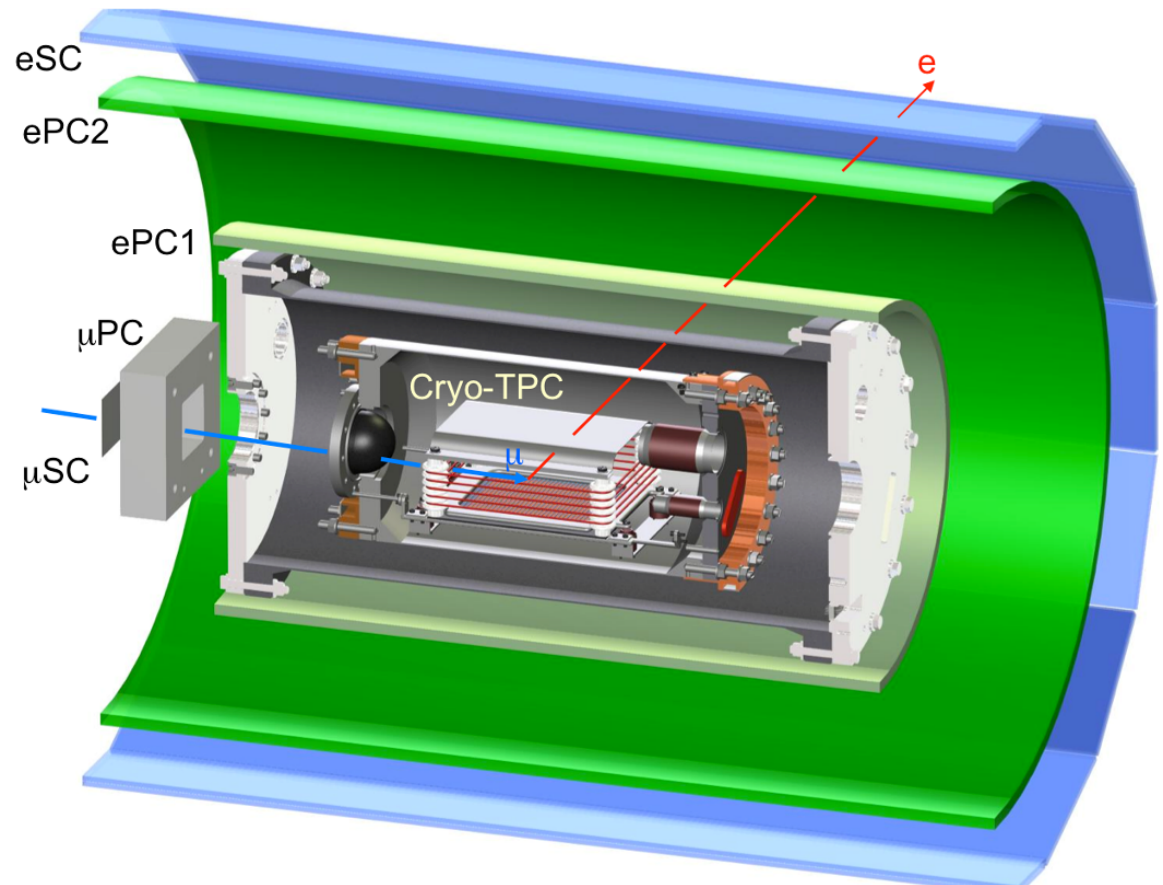
Clear Interpretation

Clean stops in  $D_2$

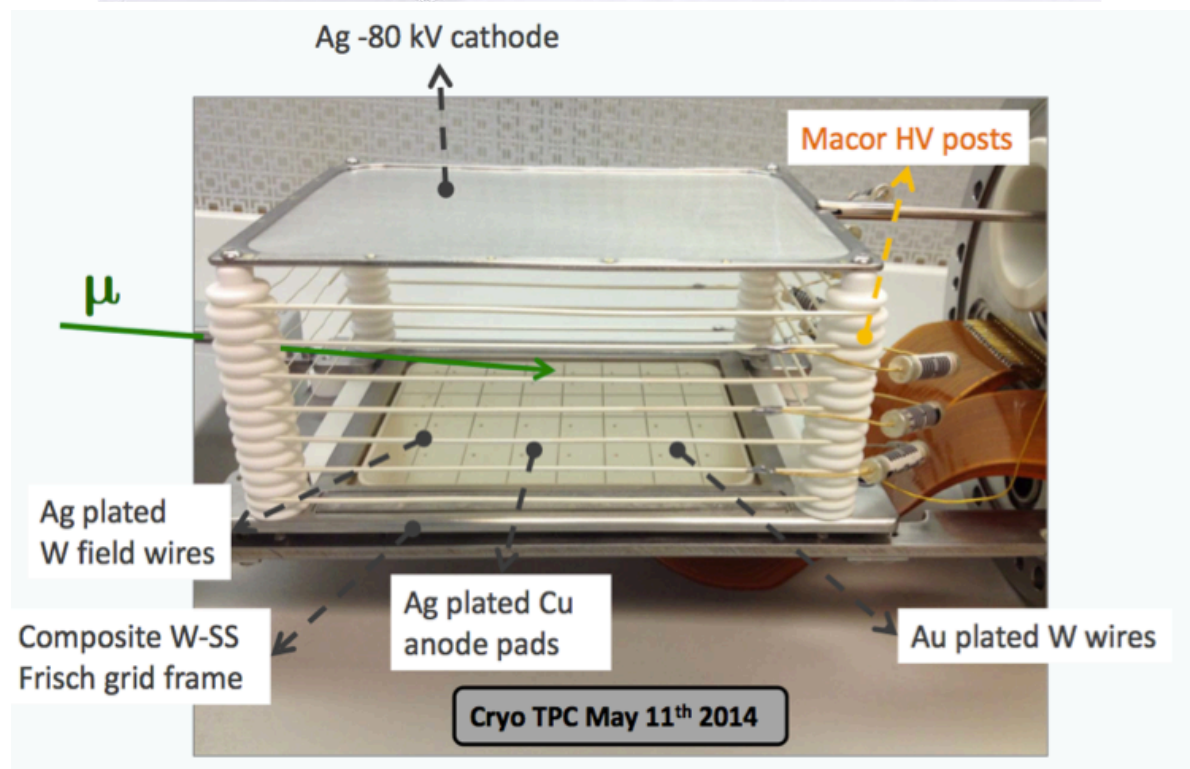
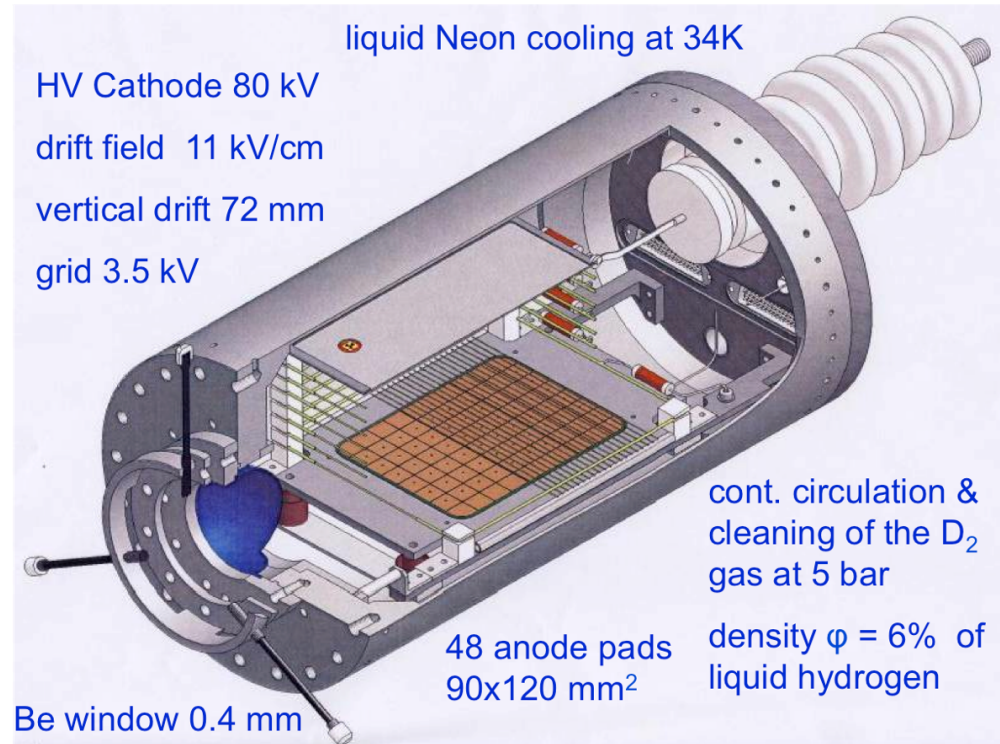
Impurities  $< 1$ ppb

H/D  $< 100$  ppm

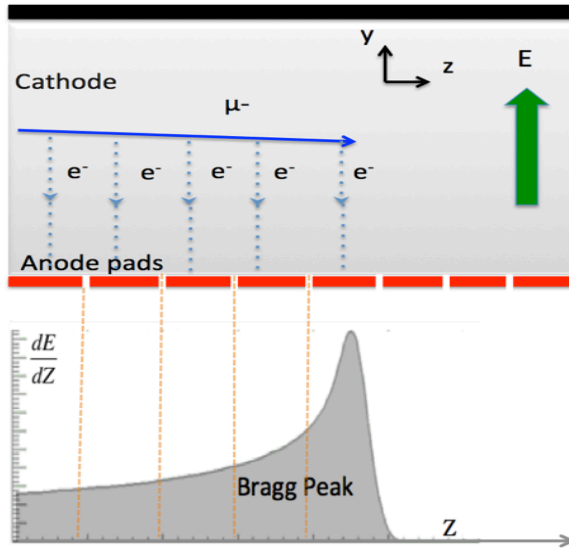
Time projection chamber (TPC)



# TPC



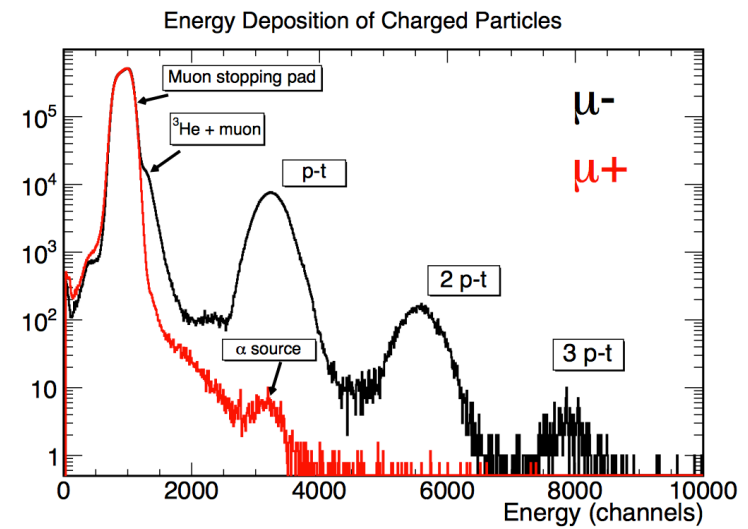
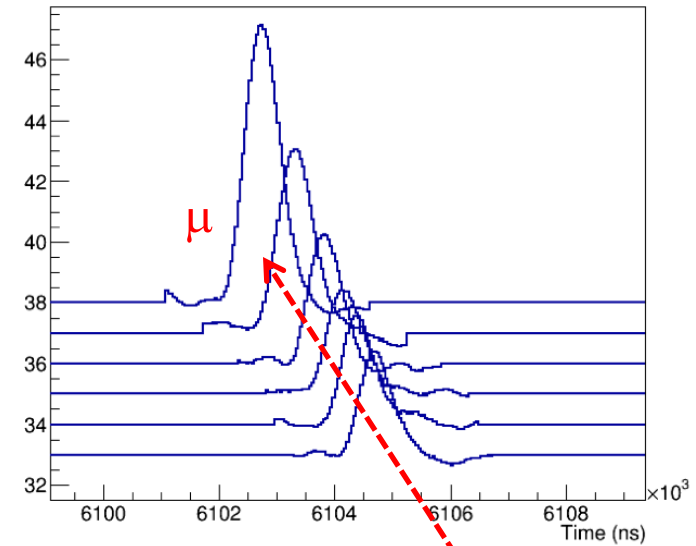
# Events in TPC



125.5 mm



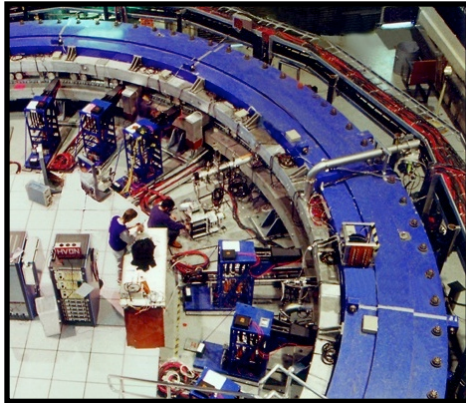
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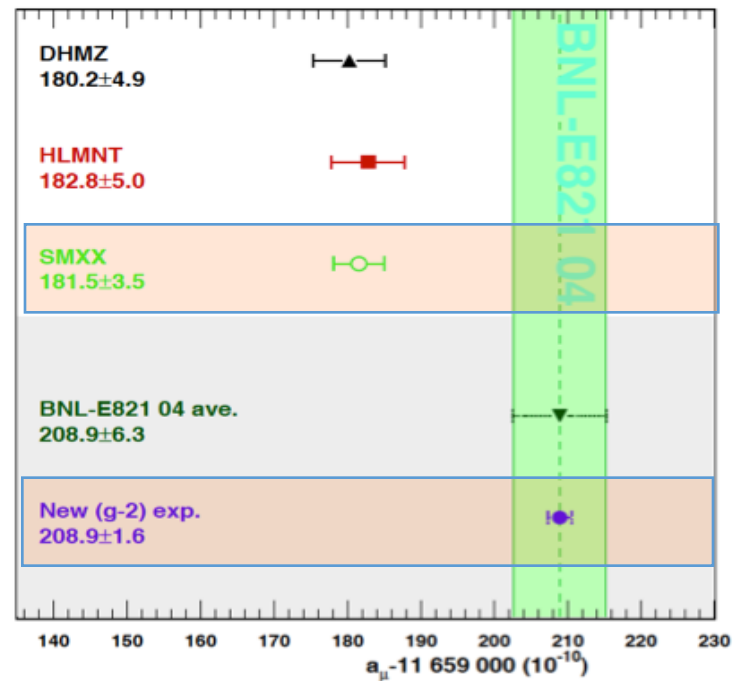
# Muon g-2 Experiment at Fermilab

## Challenging the Standard Model



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# Spinning top and Larmor precession

Classical relation for atom

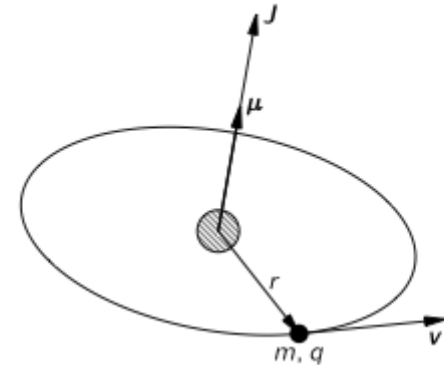
- magnetic moment
- angular momentum
- g factor

$$\mu = IA = \frac{qvr}{2}$$

$$L = rmv$$

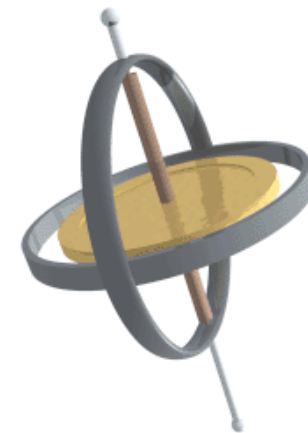
$$\mu = g \times \frac{q}{2m} L$$

$$g=1$$



Larmor precession in field B

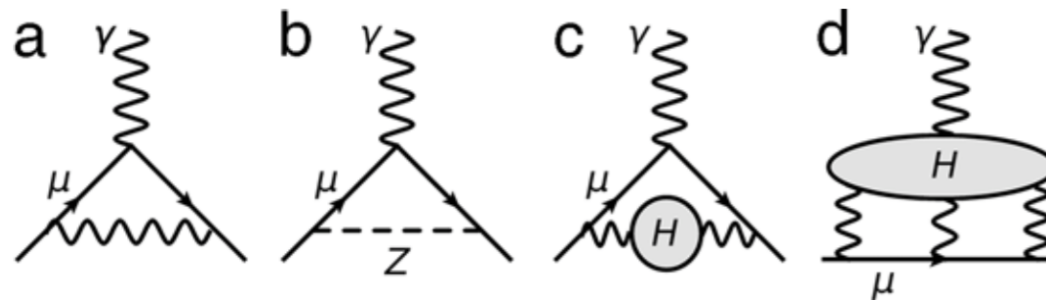
$$\omega = \frac{\mu}{J} B = g \times \frac{qB}{2m}$$



# Quantum Mechanics and g-2

Spin ½ particles described by Dirac equation:  $g=2$

Higher order QED corrections



$$\vec{\mu} = g \frac{Qe}{2m_{\mu,e}} \vec{s}, \quad \underbrace{g = 2(1 + a_{\mu})}_{\text{Dirac}}$$

$$a_{\mu}(\text{SM}_a) = 1\,165\,918\,02(49) \times 10^{-11} \quad (0.42 \text{ ppm})$$

$$a_{\mu}(\text{SM}_b) = 1\,165\,918\,28(50) \times 10^{-11} \quad (0.43 \text{ ppm})$$

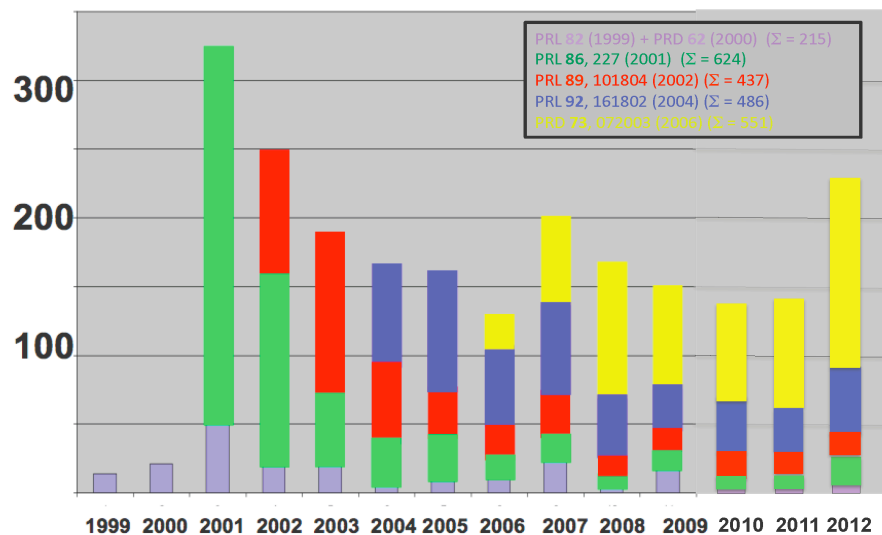
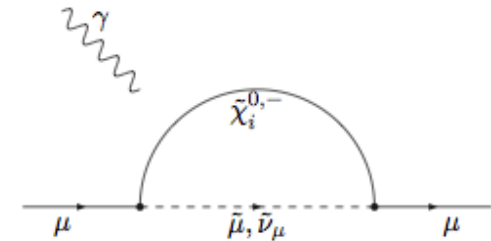
$$a_{\mu}(\text{Exp}) = 1\,165\,920\,91(63) \times 10^{-11} \quad (0.54 \text{ ppm})$$

3.4  $\sigma$

# Beyond Standard Model

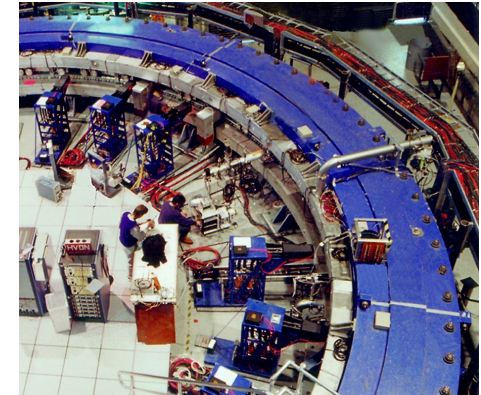
Precise knowledge of  $a_\mu$  will aid in discrimination between a wide variety of standard model extensions

- Supersymmetric models
- Many others: extra dim, compositeness...
- Dark photon
- The “Un-invented”



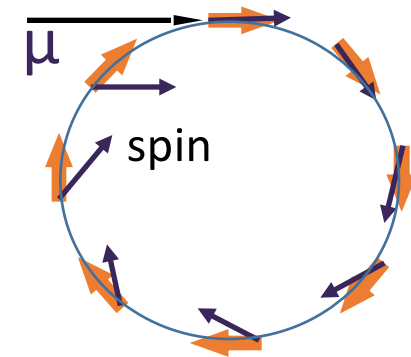
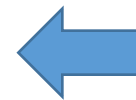
# Key elements of g-2 measurement

- ◆ Polarized muons  
~97% polarized for forward decays



- ◆ Precession proportional to (g-2)

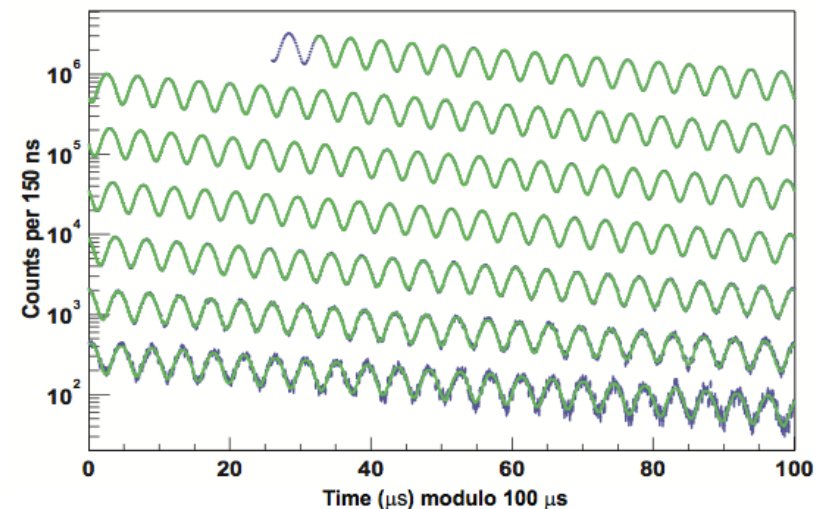
$$\omega_a = \omega_{spin} - \omega_{cyclotron} = \left( \frac{g-2}{2} \right) \frac{eB}{mc}$$



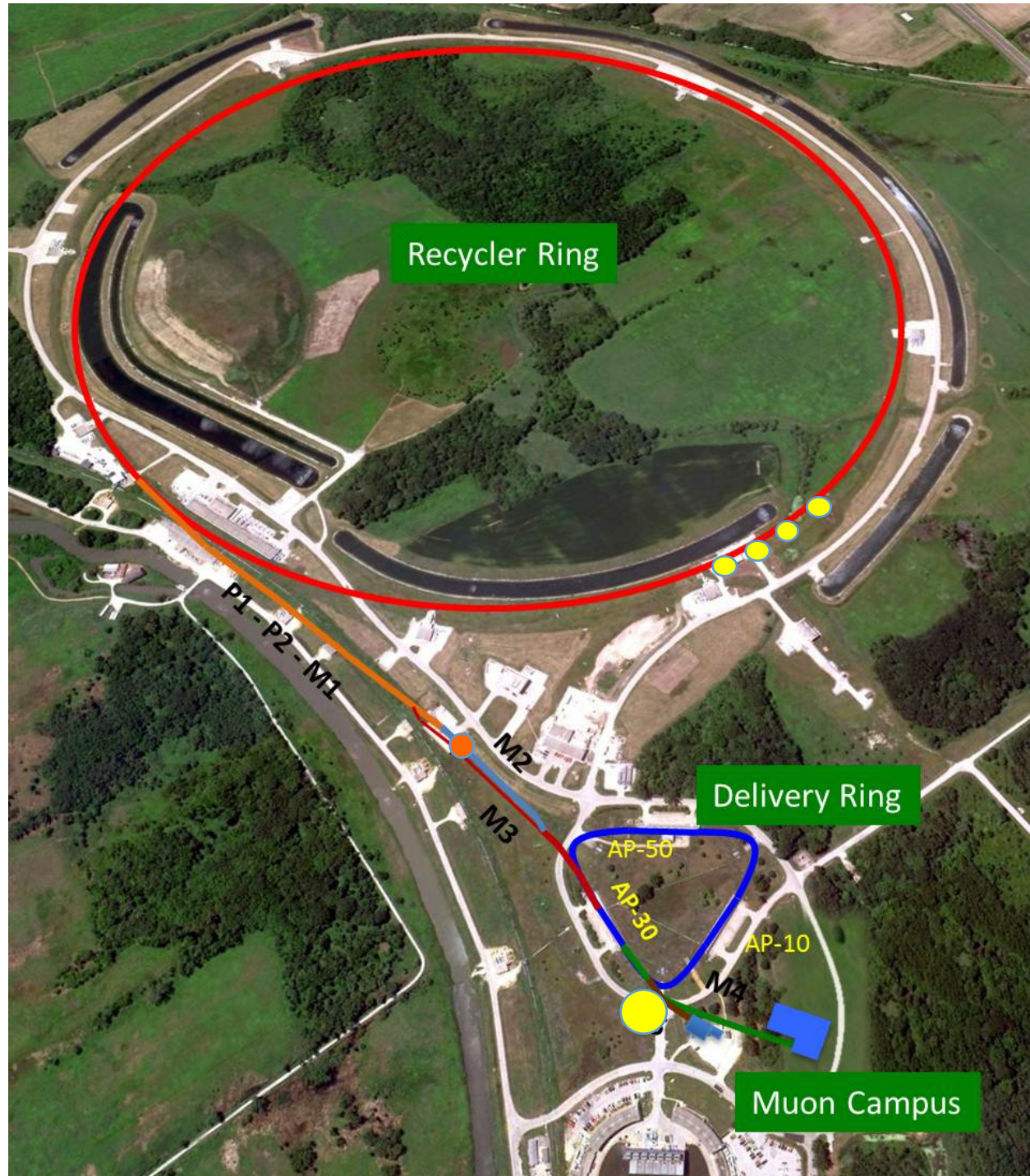
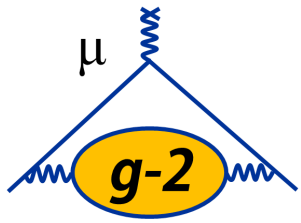
- ◆  $P_\mu$  magic momentum = 3.094 GeV/c

$$\vec{\omega}_a = -\frac{q}{m} \left[ a_\mu \vec{B} - \left( a_\mu - \frac{1}{\gamma^2 - 1} \right) \frac{\vec{\beta} \times \vec{E}}{c} \right]$$

- ◆ Parity violation in the decay gives average spin direction

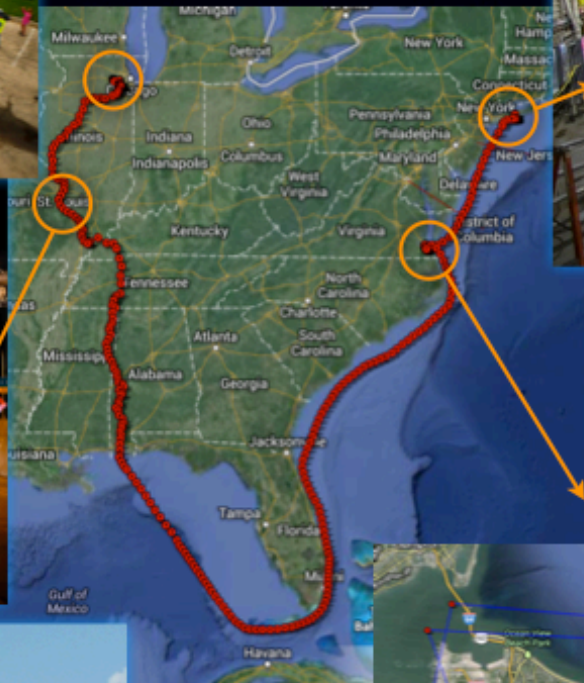








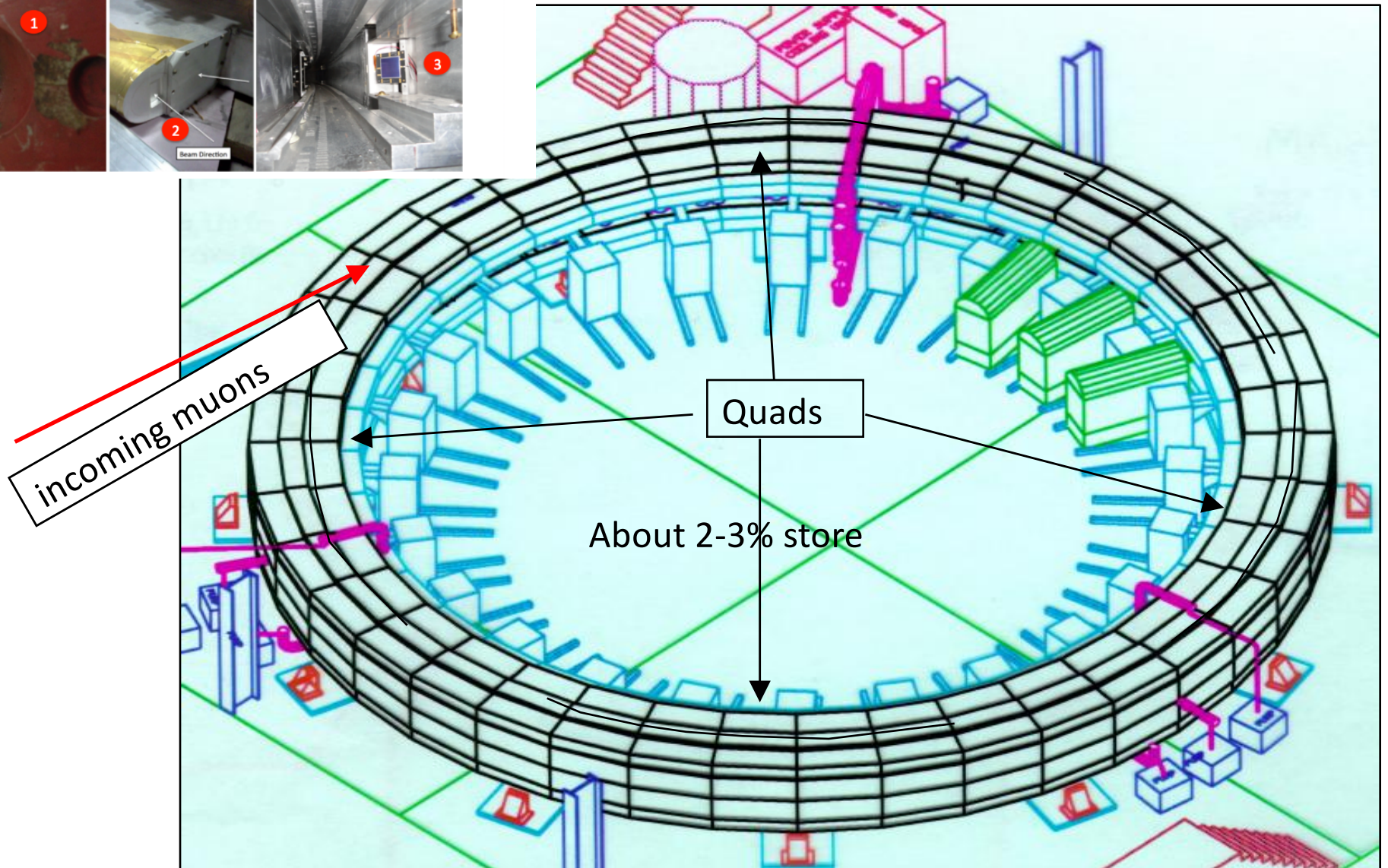
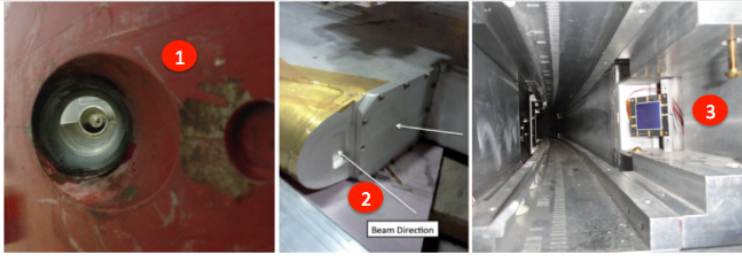
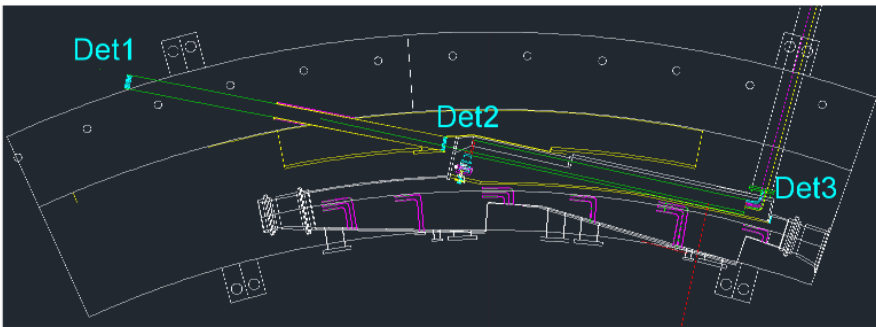
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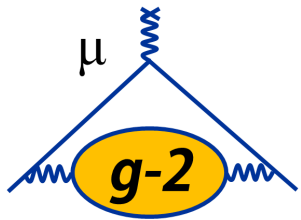


15 m diameter  
3 mm flex tolerance



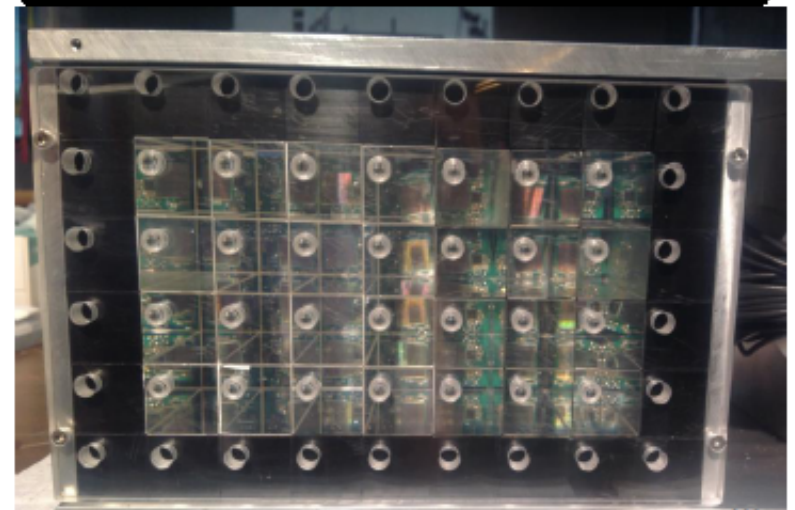
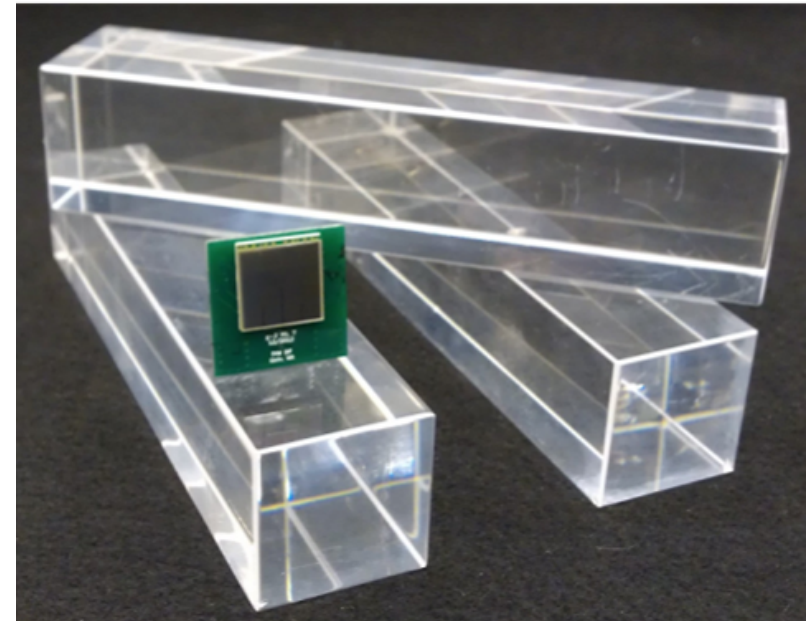
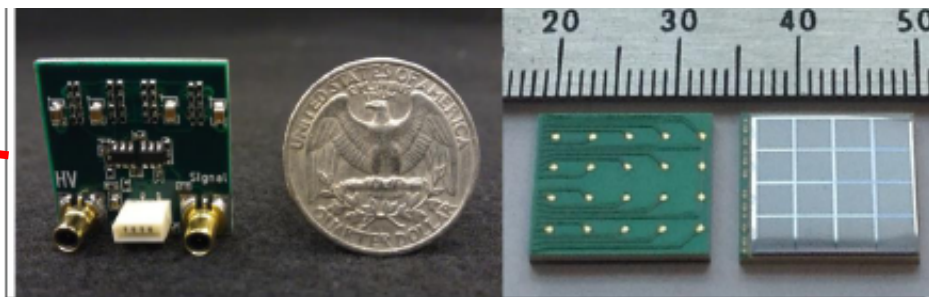
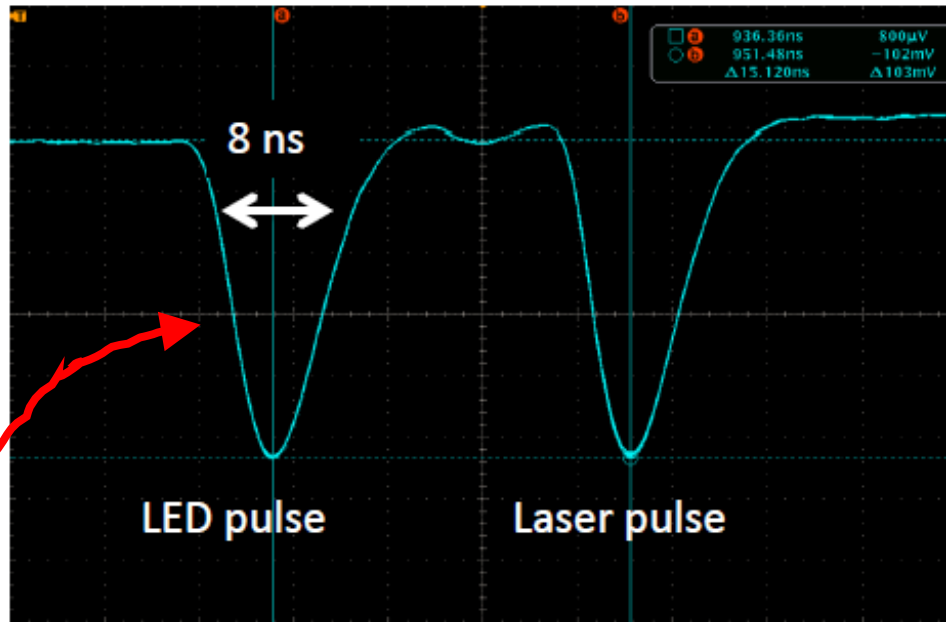
# Muon storage ring





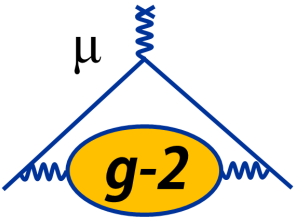
# Segmented PbF<sub>2</sub> Calorimeter with SiPM Readout

SiPM boards optimized to produce PMT-like pulses to exploit short pulse duration of Cherenkov crystals (relevant: pileup)



28-channel prototype calorimeter tested at SLAC





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