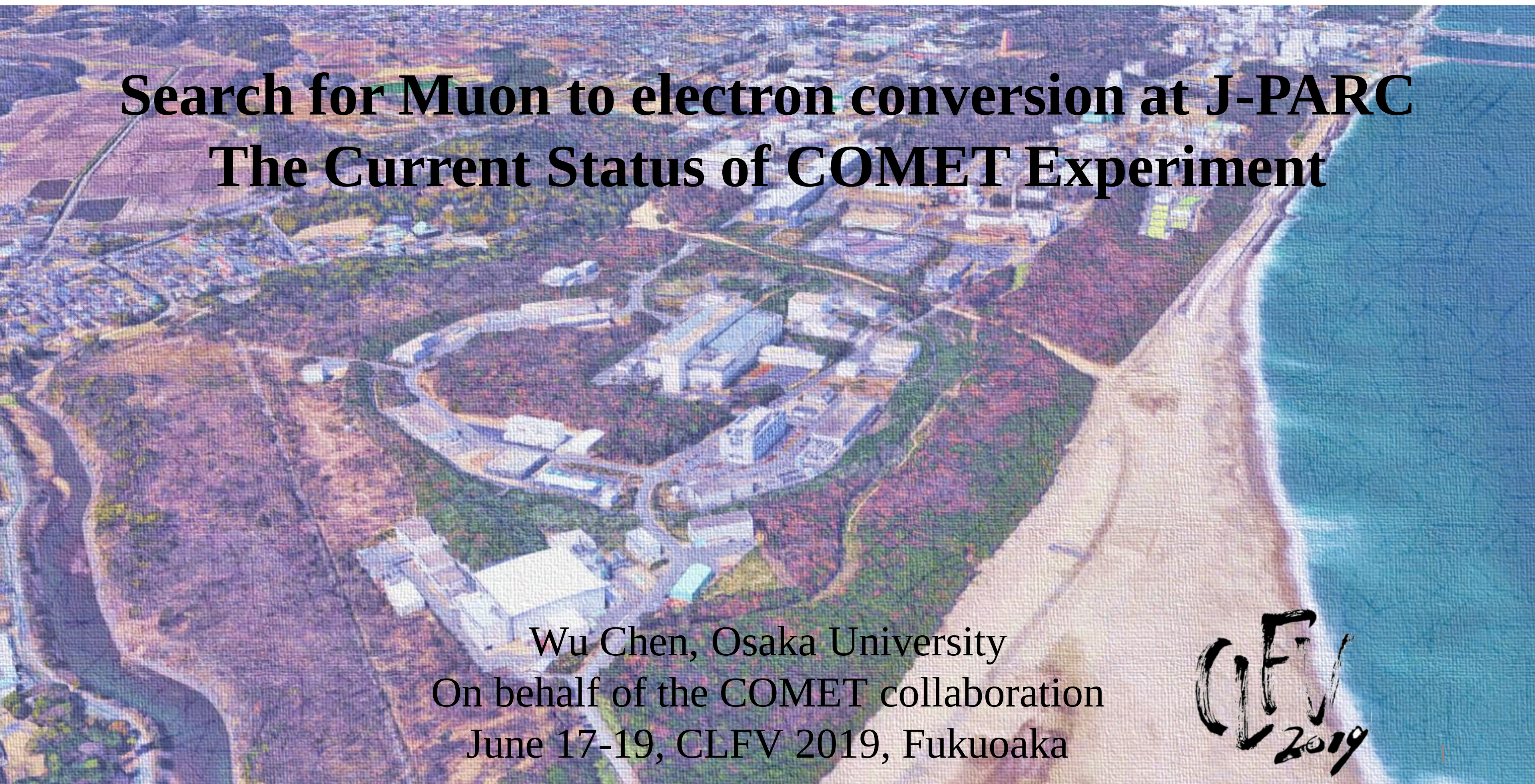
Search for Muon to electron conversion at J-PARC
The Current Status of COMET Experiment



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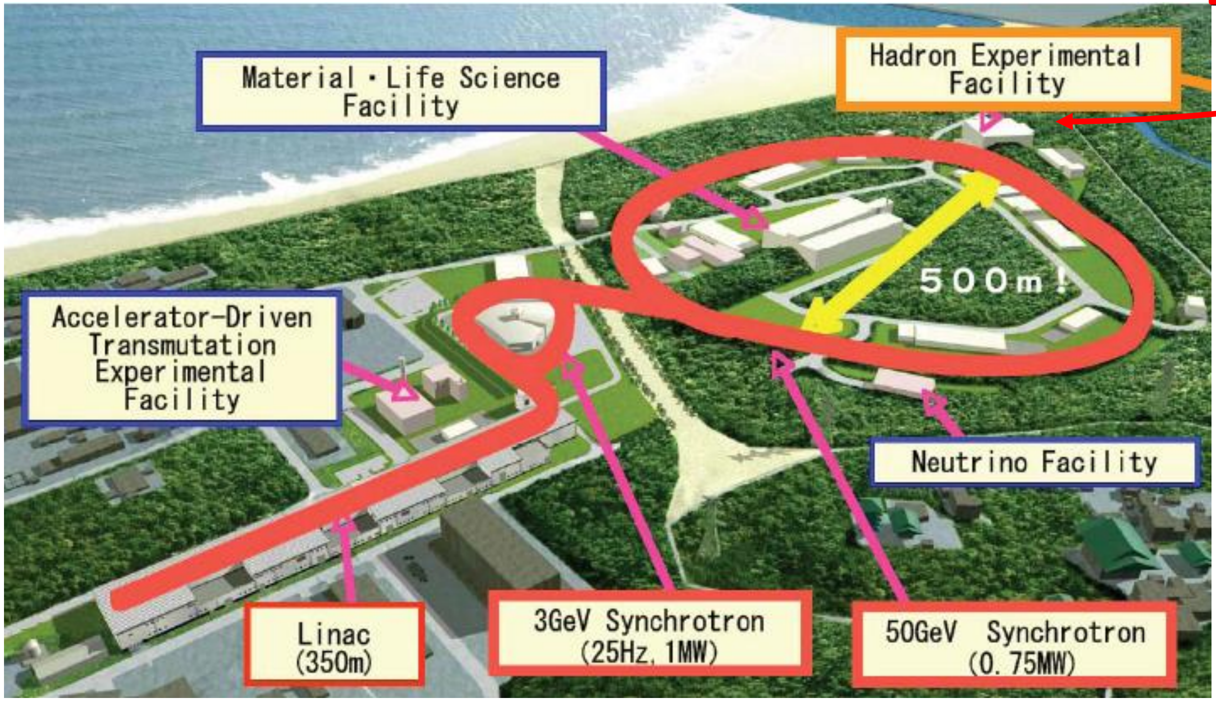
About COMET

COherent Muon Electron Transition

- Utilizing the proton source from J-PARC main ring, COMET searches for muon to electron conversion process which violates charged lepton flavor conservation.
  - $\mu^- N \rightarrow e^- N$
  - Signal electron is mono-energetic: ~105 MeV



- COMET aims at a single event sensitivity (S.E.S) = 2.6×10^{-17}
  - 4 orders of magnitude improvement!
  - Using slow extraction with 8 GeV proton at 56 kW

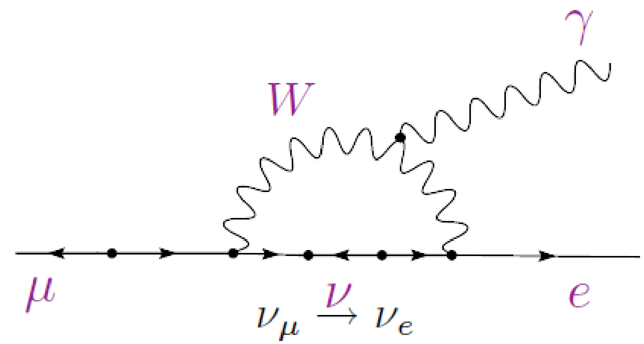
The COMET collaboration

Jan 2018, COMET collaboration at Osaka University

~200 members,
41 institutes from 17 countries
Still growing!

Physics Motivation

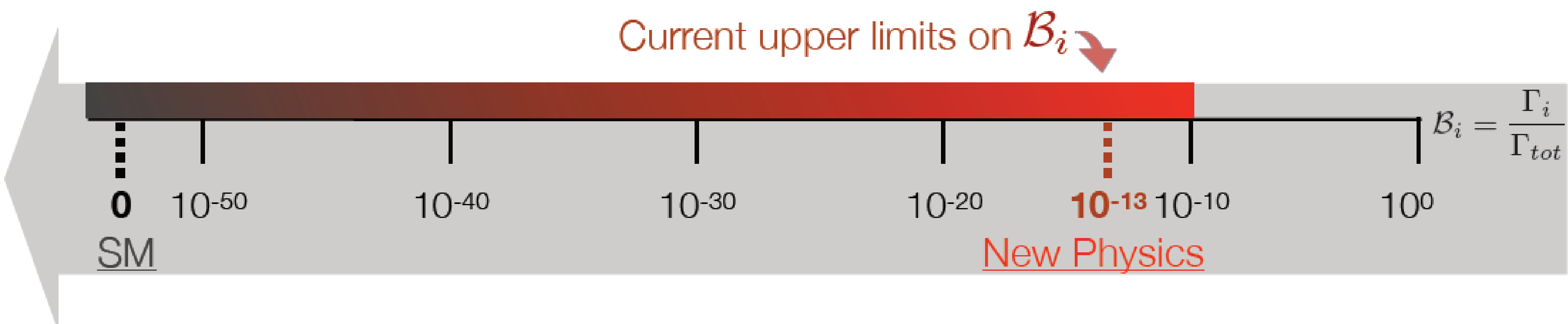
Charged Lepton Flavor Violation



cLFV highly suppressed in SM+m_ν:

$$\mathcal{B}(\mu \to e\gamma) = \frac{3\alpha}{32\pi}\left|\sum_{i=2,3} U^*_{\mu i} U_{ei} \frac{\Delta m^2_{i1}}{M^2_W}\right|^2 \sim 10^{-54}$$

S.T. Petcov, Sov.J. Nucl. Phys. 25 (1977) 340



Clean field to search for new physics!

New Physics Energy Scale of CLFV

- Effective field theory approach $\mathcal{L}_{eff} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \sum_{n\geq 1} \frac{C_{ij}{}^{4+n}}{\Lambda^n} \mathcal{O}^{4+n}$

Current Limit	Experiment
* 5.7×10^{-13}	*MEG* Phys. Rev. Lett. **110**(20)
1×10^{-12}	*SINDRUM* Nucl.Phys. B299 (1988)
7×10^{-13}	*SINDRUMII* Eur.Phys.J. C47 (2006)

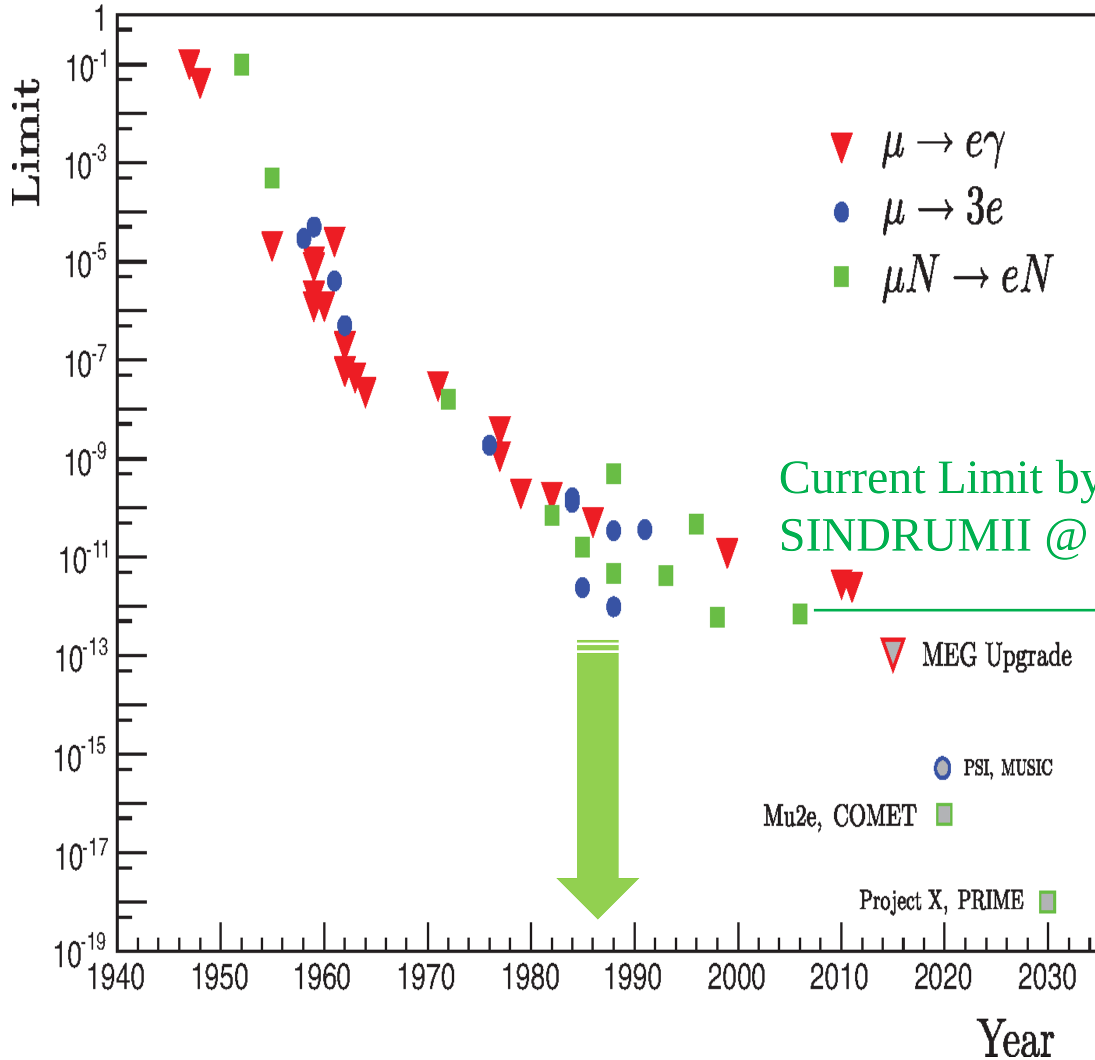
* ***Current limit:*** 4.2×10^{-13} Eur.Phys.J. C76 (2016)

	$\lvert C_a \rvert$ $[\Lambda = 1\ \text{TeV}]$	Λ (TeV) $[\lvert C_a \rvert = 1]$	CLFV Process
$C_{e\gamma}^{\mu e}$	2.1×10^{-10}	6.8×10^{4}	$\mu \to e\gamma$
$C_{\ell e}^{\mu\mu\mu e, e\mu\mu\mu}$	1.8×10^{-4}	75	$\mu \to e\gamma$ [1-loop]
$C_{\ell e}^{\mu\tau\tau e, e\tau\tau\mu}$	1.0×10^{-5}	312	$\mu \to e\gamma$ [1-loop]
$C_{e\gamma}^{\mu e}$	4.0×10^{-9}	1.6×10^{4}	$\mu \to eee$
$C_{\ell\ell, ee}^{\mu eee}$	2.3×10^{-5}	207	$\mu \to eee$
$C_{\ell e}^{\mu eee, ee\mu e}$	3.3×10^{-5}	174	$\mu \to eee$
$C_{e\gamma}^{\mu e}$	5.2×10^{-9}	1.4×10^{4}	$\mu^- \text{Au} \to e^- \text{Au}$
$C_{\ell q, \ell d, ed}^{e\mu}$	1.8×10^{-6}	745	$\mu^- \text{Au} \to e^- \text{Au}$
$C_{eq}^{e\mu}$	9.2×10^{-7}	1.0×10^{3}	$\mu^- \text{Au} \to e^- \text{Au}$
$C_{\ell u, eu}^{e\mu}$	2.0×10^{-6}	707	$\mu^- \text{Au} \to e^- \text{Au}$

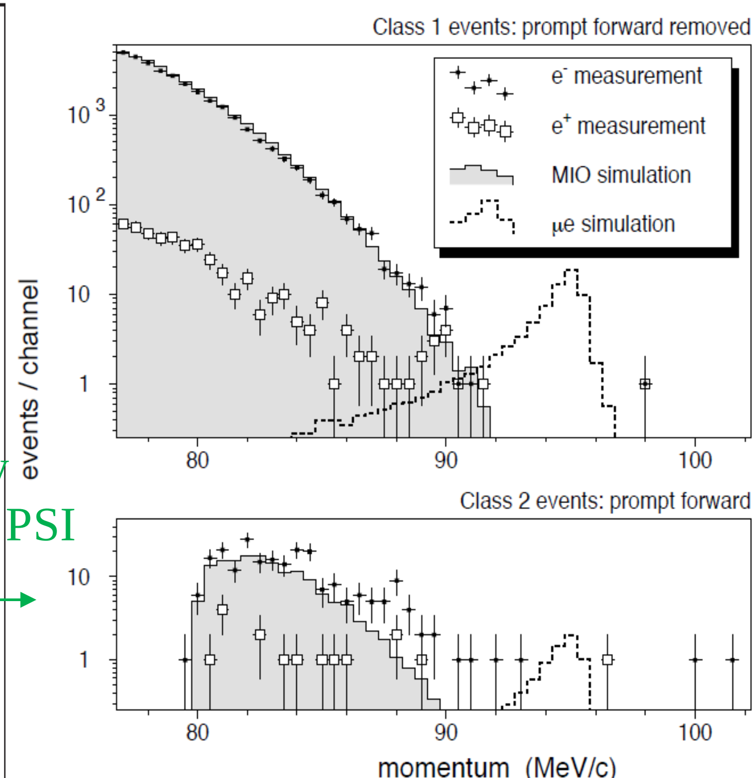
F. Feruglio, P. Paradisi and A. Pattori, Eur. Phys. J. C 75 (2015) no.12, 579
G. M. Pruna and A. Signer, JHEP 1410 (2014) 014

- Given Dim-6 operators (lowest possible order for CLFV), factor 10,000 in precision = factor 10 in energy scale.

Search for Muon to Electron Conversion



Current Limit by
SINDRUMII @ PSI



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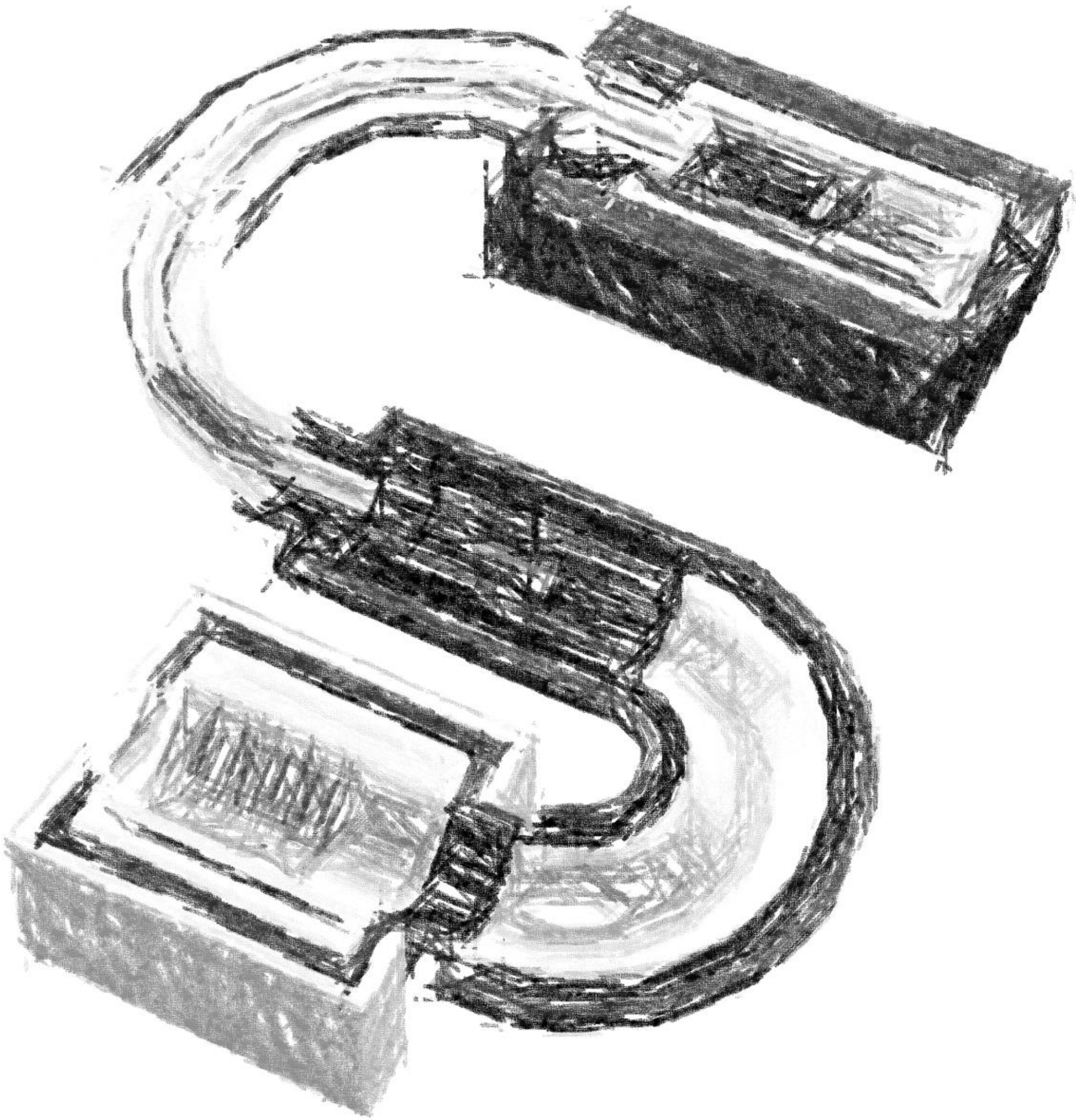
With a different design, > 4 orders of magnitude improvement is possible!

Design of the COMET Experiment



The “new idea”: MELC

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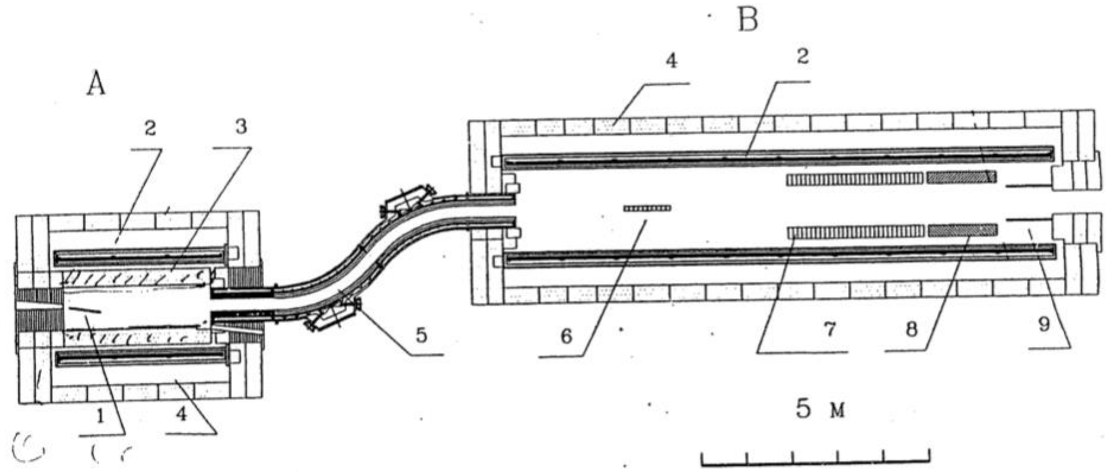
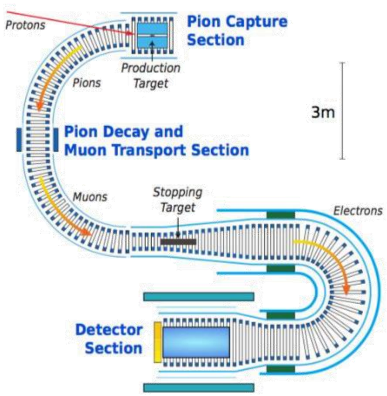
V.S. Abadjev, B.N. Bakhtin, O.N. Goncharenko, R.M. Djilkibaev, V.V. Edlichka, V.M. Lobashev, V.I. Parfenov, I.A. Plisco, V.V. Popov, S.K. Popov, A.L. Proscuryakov, I.V. Sekachev, A.K. Skasyrskaya, O.B. Sokolova, A.P. Solodukhin, A.N. Toropin, S.P. Toropov

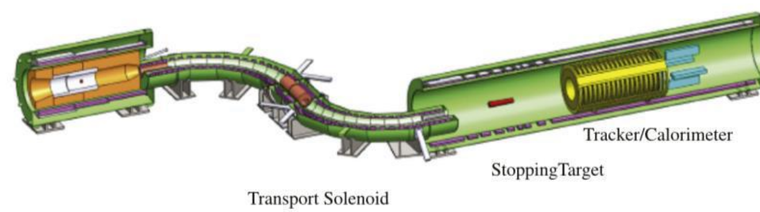
MELC EXPERIMENT TO SEARCH FOR THE $\mu^- A \rightarrow e^- A$ PROCESS





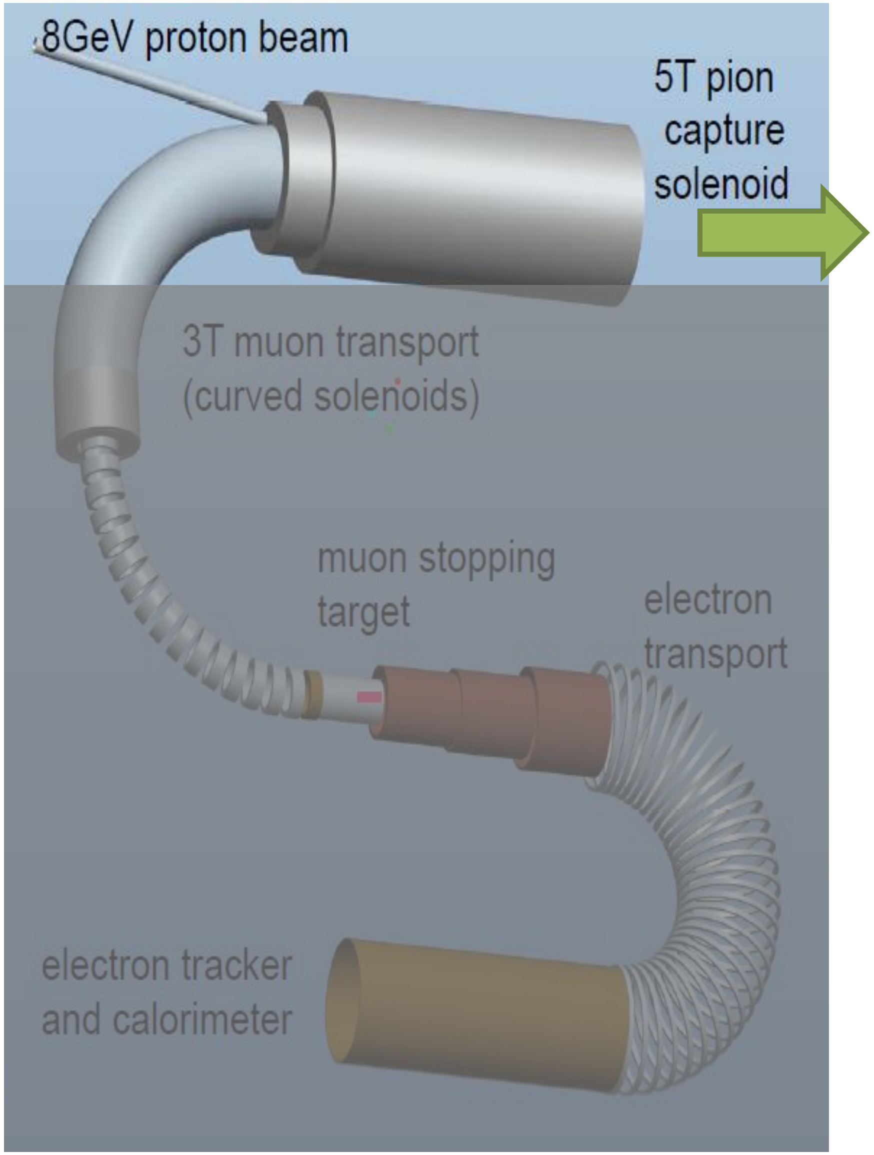
COMET

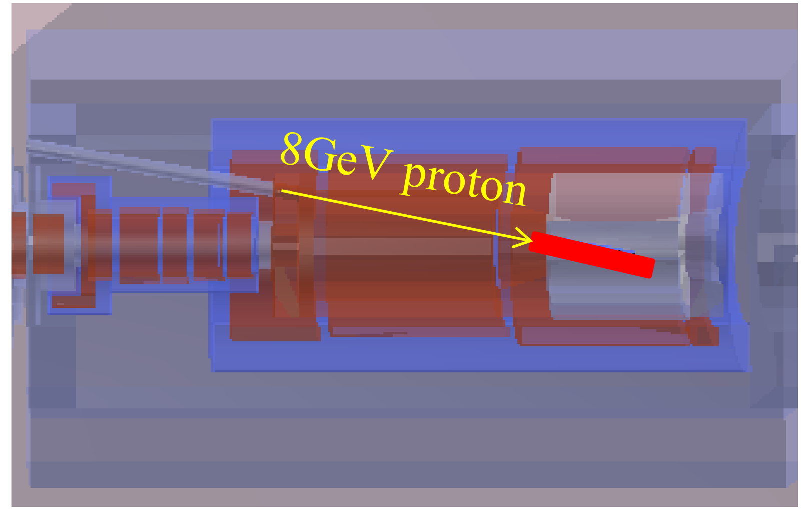
Mu2e



- Improve the production and capture efficiency
  - Thick target with super conducting solenoid as capture magnet
- Clean muon beam
  - Long beam line with momentum selection
- Search for signal with the special momentum
  - Light detector to provide precise measurement

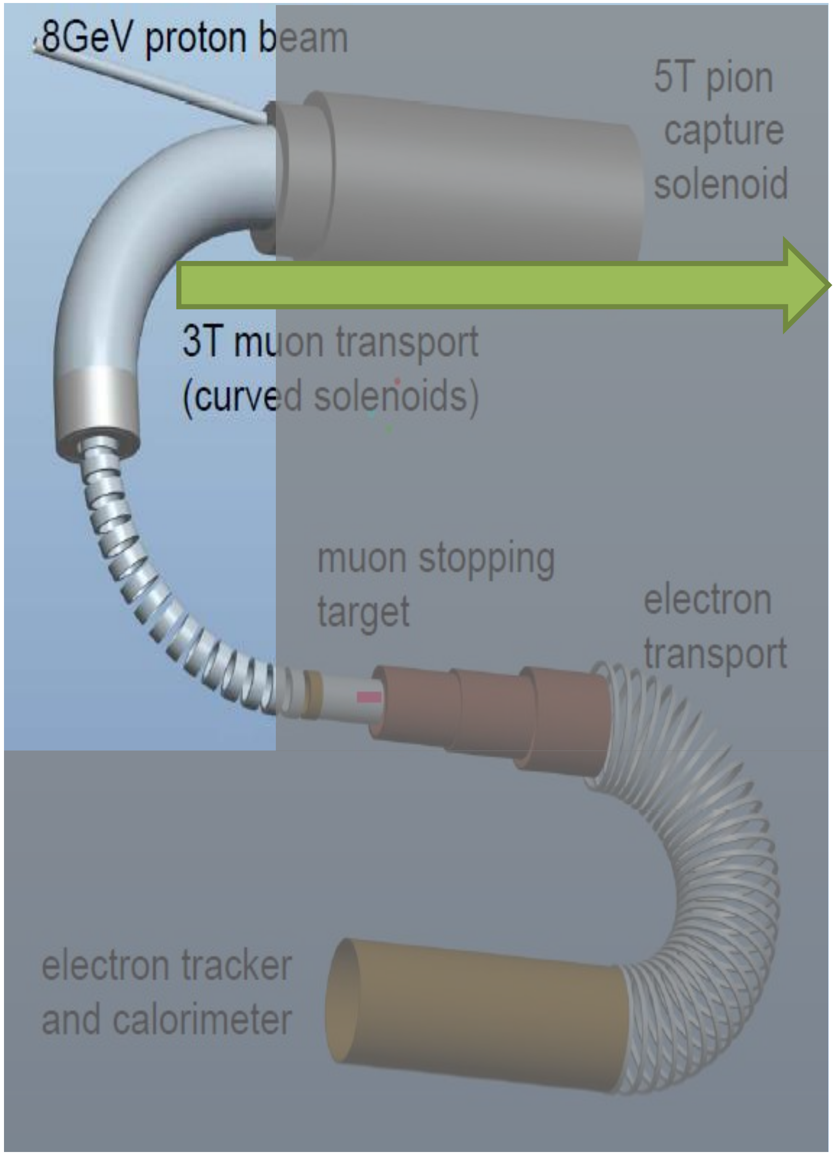
Production target and the capture magnet





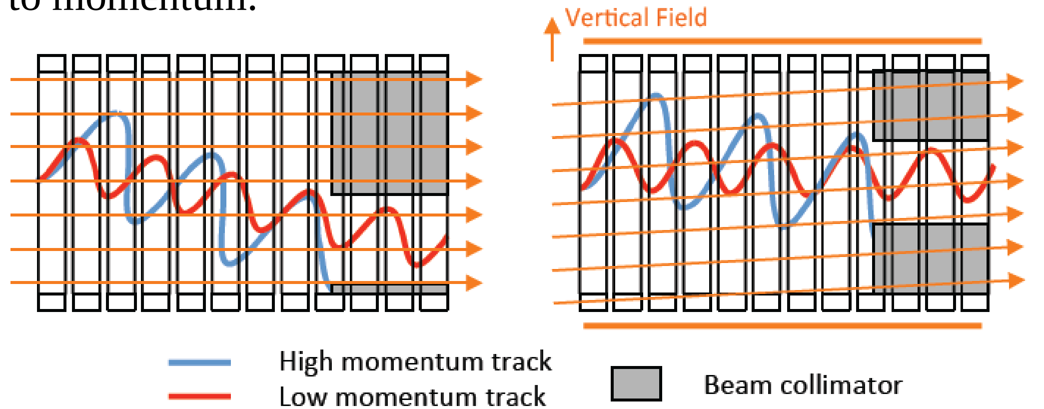
- 8 GeV 56 kW proton beam
- Thick target with 1~2 hadron interaction length
- Powerful capture magnet: 5 T
  - Large inner bore to fit in the shielding
  - Adiabatic decreasing field: focusing and mirroring
- Expected muon yield: 10^{11} muon/sec! (10^8 @ PSI)

Transportation solenoid



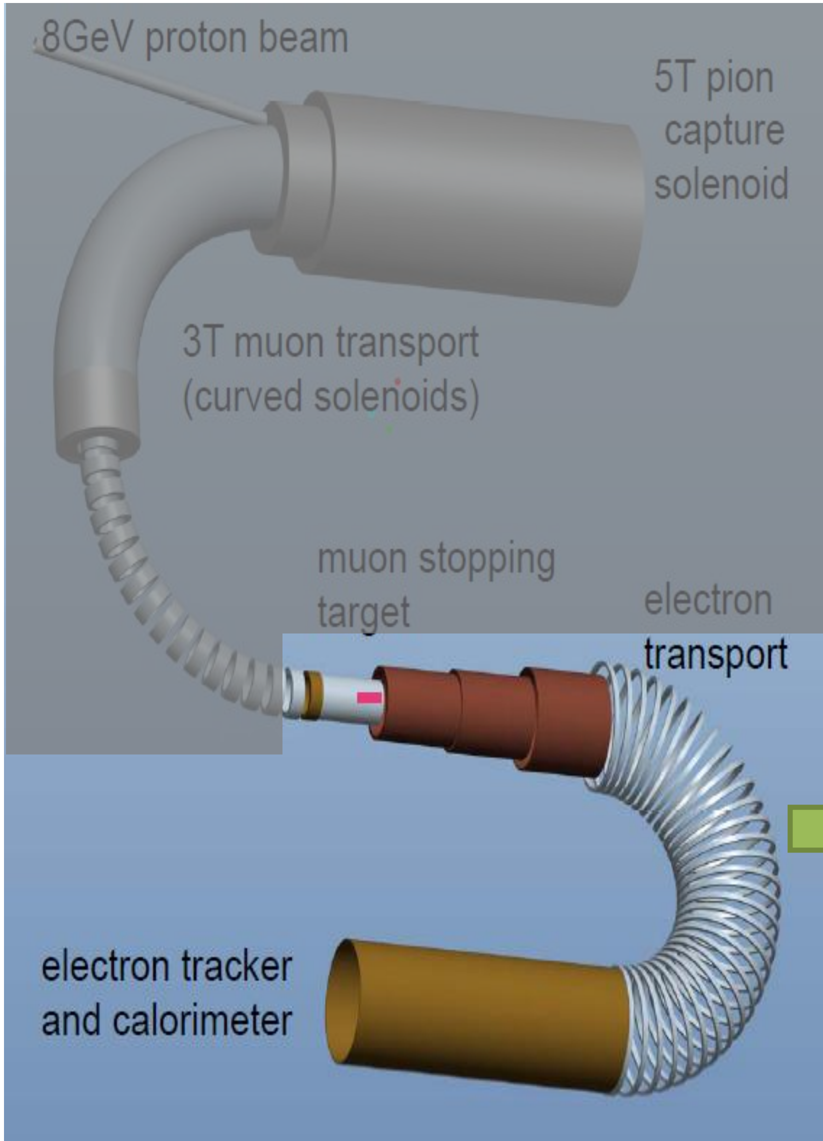
Drift vertically, proportional to momentum.

Vertical field as "correction"

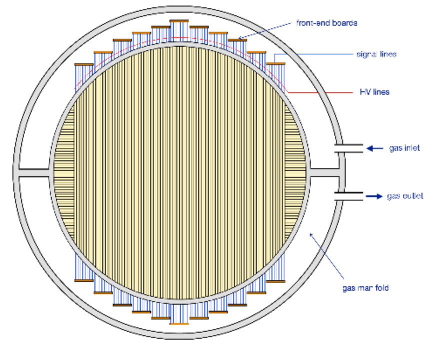


- Use C shape curved solenoid
  - Beam gradually disperses
    - Charge & momentum
  - Dipole field to pull back muon beam
    - Can be used to tune the beam
  - Collimator placed in the end
    - Utilize the dispersion in 180 degrees

Stopping target and detector system

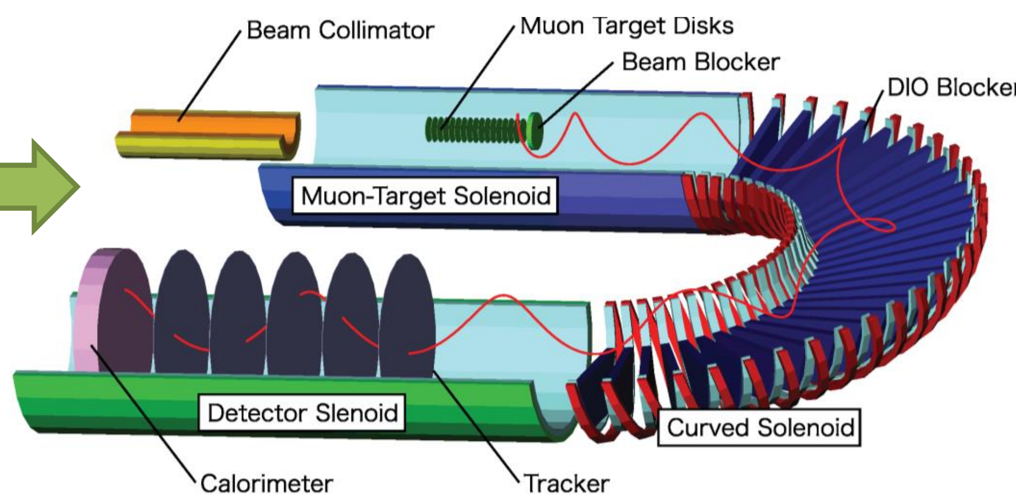


- Use straw tracker to measure the momentum
  - Really light: put in vacuum, 12 micro meter thin straw



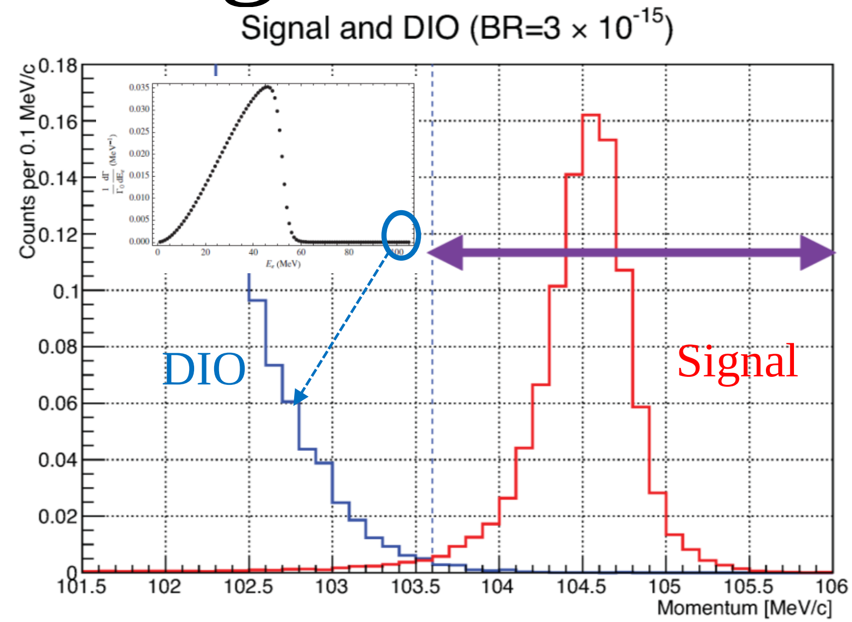
See Kou Oishi's, Yuki Fujii's, and Ryosuke Kawashima's posters!

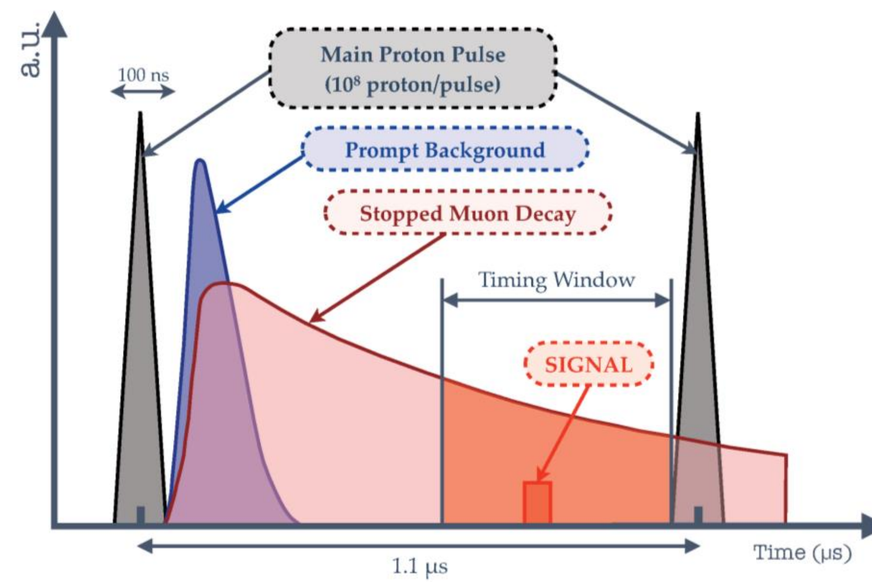
- Electromagnetic calorimeter
  - Providing trigger, TOF and PID



To control the background

- Intrinsic physics background
  - Mostly from muon decay in orbit (DIO)
    - Calculated by Czarnecki with radiative correction. Branching ratio drops with order-5 function near end point.
    - Momentum resolution required to be better than 200 keV/c
- Beam related background
  - Energetic particles in beam with E>100MeV
    - Mostly prompt. Can be suppressed by a delayed measurement window (~700 ns)
    - Some due to leaked proton. Proton extinction factor required to be $< 10^{-10}$。
- Cosmic ray background
  - Cosmic ray: cover the system with cosmic ray veto detectors.





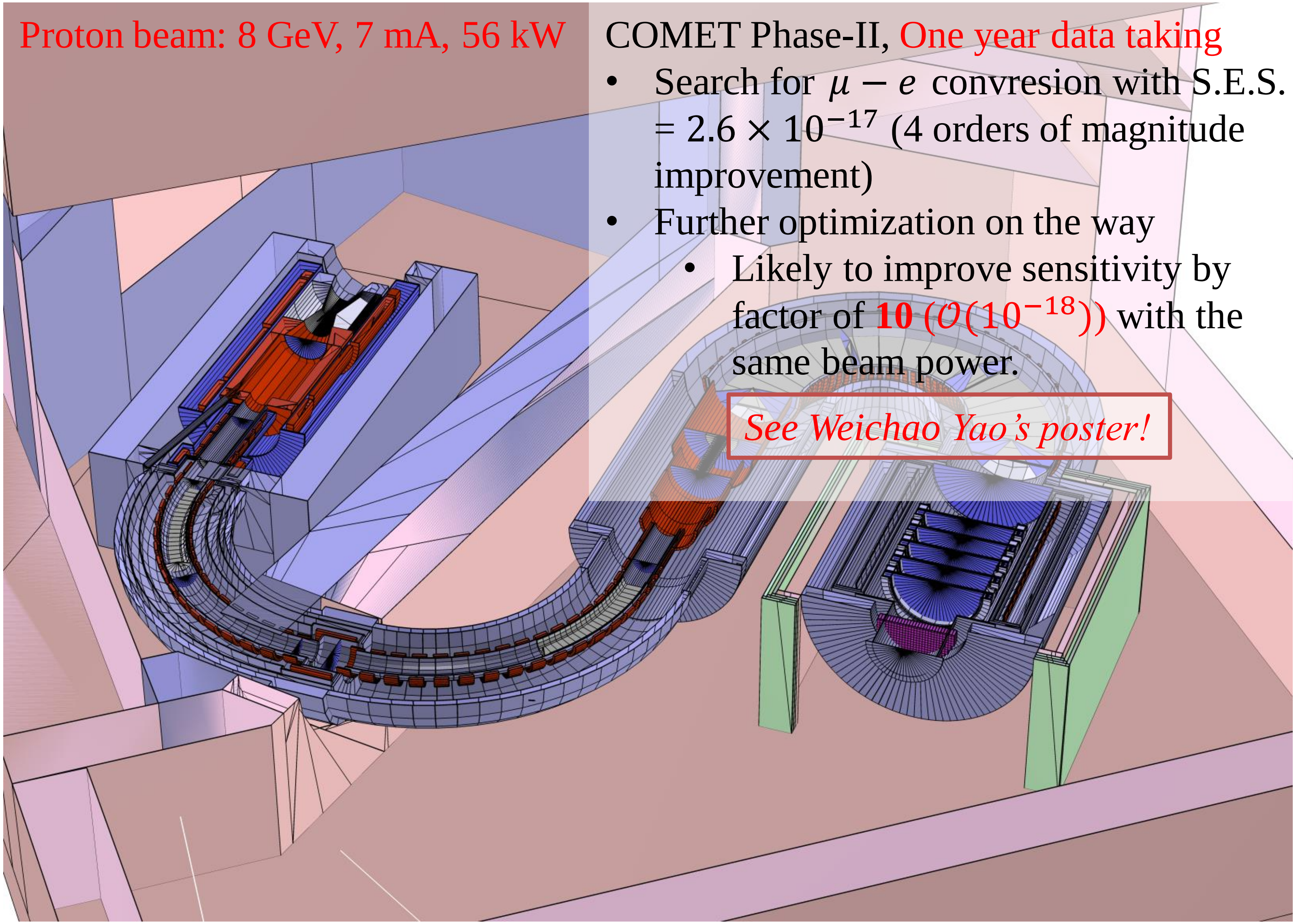
Physics Sensitivity

Proton beam: 8 GeV, 7 mA, 56 kW

COMET Phase-II, One year data taking

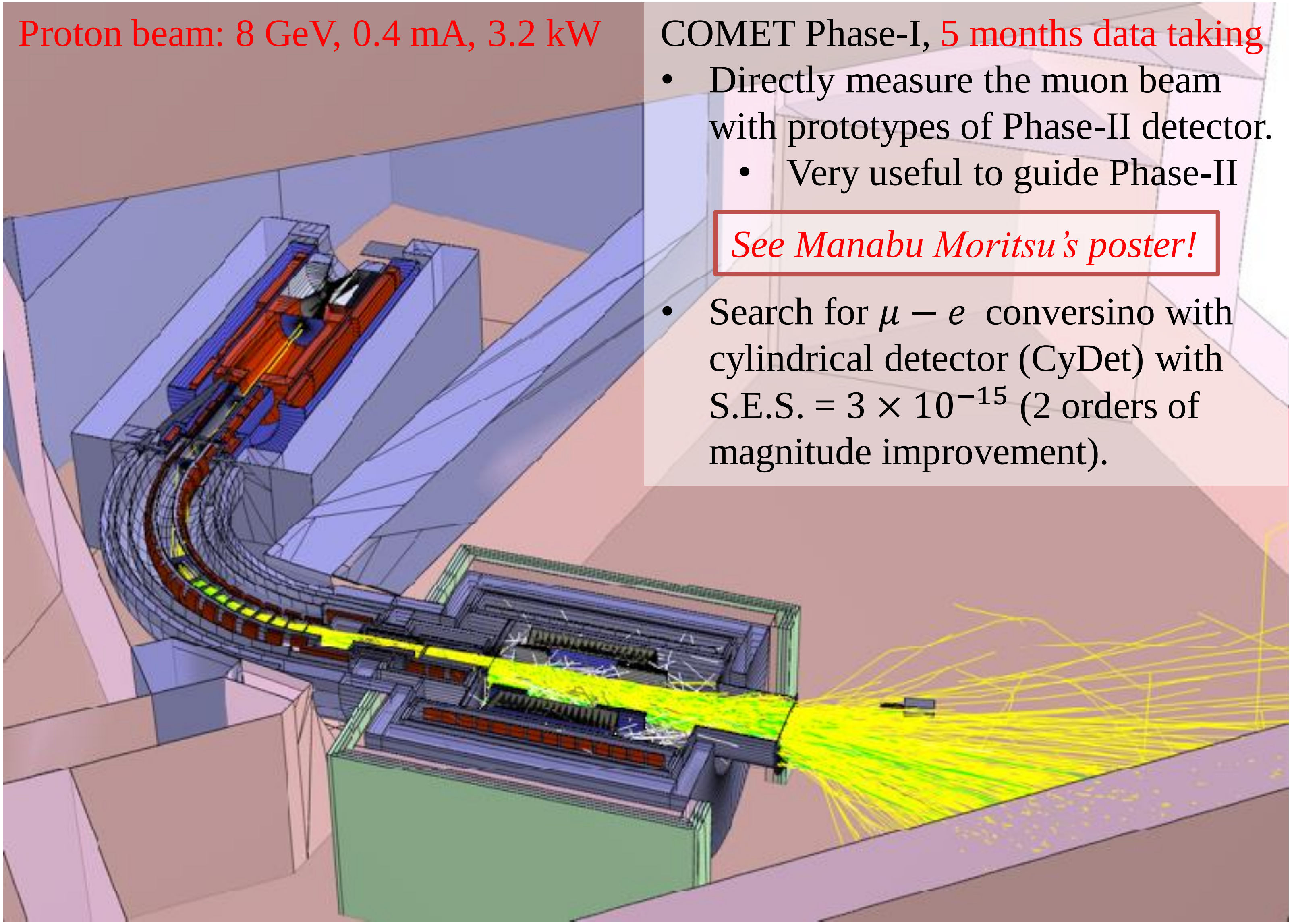
- Search for $\mu - e$ convresion with S.E.S. = 2.6×10^{-17} (4 orders of magnitude improvement)
- Further optimization on the way
  - Likely to improve sensitivity by factor of **10** ($\mathcal{O}(10^{-18})$) with the same beam power.

See Weichao Yao's poster!



Simulation in Geant4 using software framework ICEDUST

Staged plan of COMET



Proton beam: 8 GeV, 0.4 mA, 3.2 kW

COMET Phase-I, 5 months data taking

- Directly measure the muon beam with prototypes of Phase-II detector.
  - Very useful to guide Phase-II

See Manabu Moritsu's poster!

- Search for $\mu - e$ conversino with cylindrical detector (CyDet) with S.E.S. = 3×10^{-15} (2 orders of magnitude improvement).

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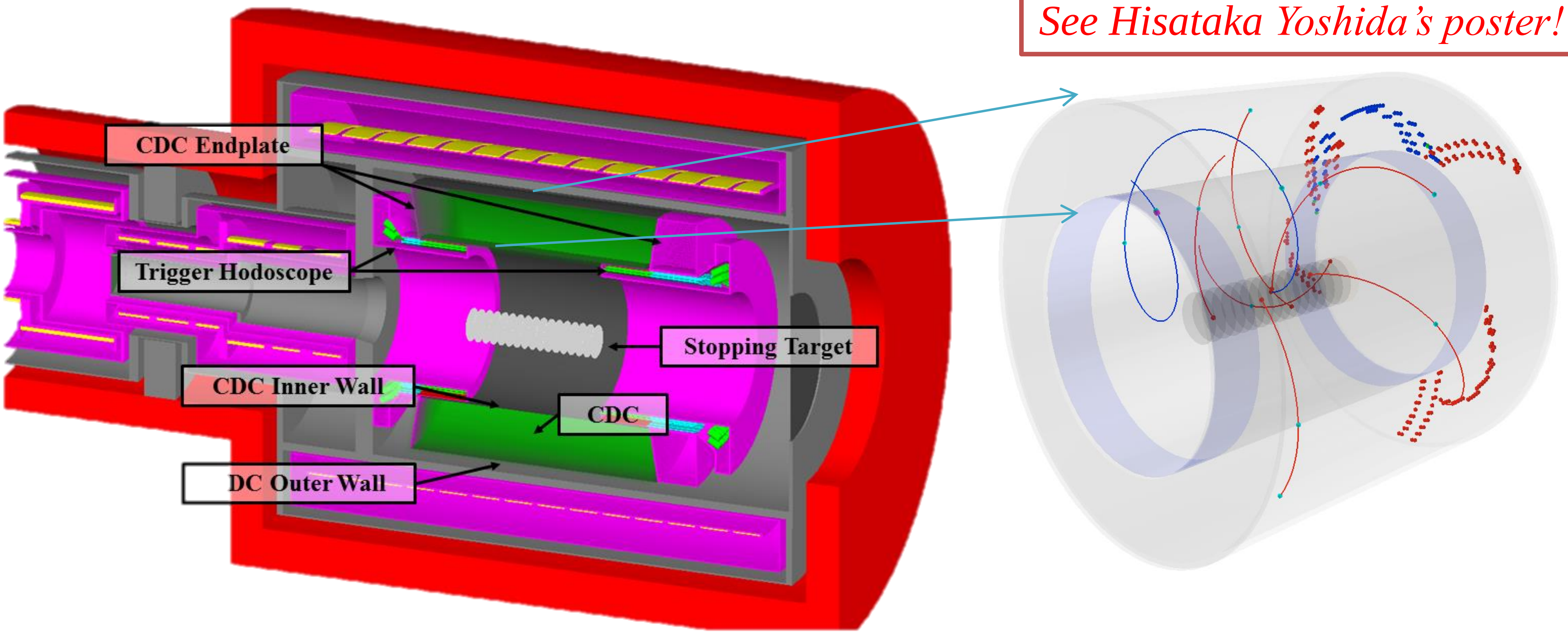
Cylindrical Detector (CyDet)

See Hisataka Yoshida's poster!

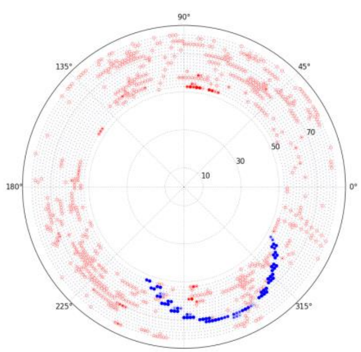


- Specially designed for Phase-I. Consists of:
  - Cylindrical trigger hodoscope (CTH):
    - Two layers: plastic scintillator for t0 and Cerenkov counter for PID.
  - Cylindrical drift chamber (CDC):
    - All stereo layers: z information for tracks with few layers' hits.
    - Helium based gas: minimize multiple scattering.
    - Large inner bore: to avoid beam flash and DIO electrons.

Monte Carlo study of COMET Phase-I

- The optimization of COMET Phase I is finished. Detailed performance is estimated with Monte Carlo studies. TDR was published on arXiv last month.
  - Sensitivity:
    - Total acceptance of signal is 0.041
    - Can reach 3×10^{-15} SES in 150 days.
  - Background:
    - With 99.99% CRV total expected background is 0.032
  - Trigger rate:
    - Average trigger rate ~10kHz (after trigger with drift chamber hits)

Event selection	Value
Online event selection efficiency	0.9
DAQ efficiency	0.9
Track finding efficiency	0.99
Geometrical acceptance + Track quality cuts	0.18
Momentum window (ε_{mom})	0.93
Timing window ($\varepsilon_{\text{time}}$)	0.3
Total	0.041



See Yu Nakazawa's poster!

Type	Background	Estimated events
Physics	Muon decay in orbit	0.01
	Radiative muon capture	0.0019
	Neutron emission after muon capture	< 0.001
	Charged particle emission after muon capture	< 0.001
Prompt Beam	* Beam electrons	
	* Muon decay in flight	
	* Pion decay in flight	
	* Other beam particles	
	All (*) Combined	≤ 0.0038
	Radiative pion capture	0.0028
	Neutrons	$\sim 10^{-9}$
Delayed Beam	Beam electrons	~ 0
	Muon decay in flight	~ 0
	Pion decay in flight	~ 0
	Radiative pion capture	~ 0
	Anti-proton induced backgrounds	0.0012
Others	Cosmic rays†	< 0.01
Total		0.032

† This estimate is currently limited by computing resources.

Other Physics Topics on COMET

- $\mu^- N_Z \rightarrow e^+ N_{Z-1}$: Lepton number violation (LNV)
  - Current limits: $\mu^-\ Ti \rightarrow e^+\ Ca(gs) \leq 1.7 \times 10^{-12}$
    $\mu^-\ Ti \rightarrow e^+\ Ca(ex) \leq 3.6 \times 10^{-12}$
  - Can improve with a proper target

See Sam's poster!

Phys. Lett. B422 (1998)

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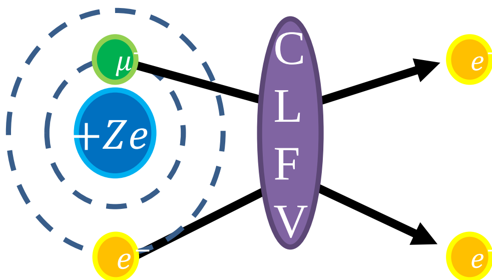
- $\mu^- e^- \rightarrow e^- e^-$: μ^- and e^- overlap proportional to Z^3



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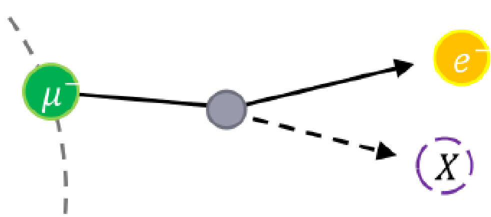
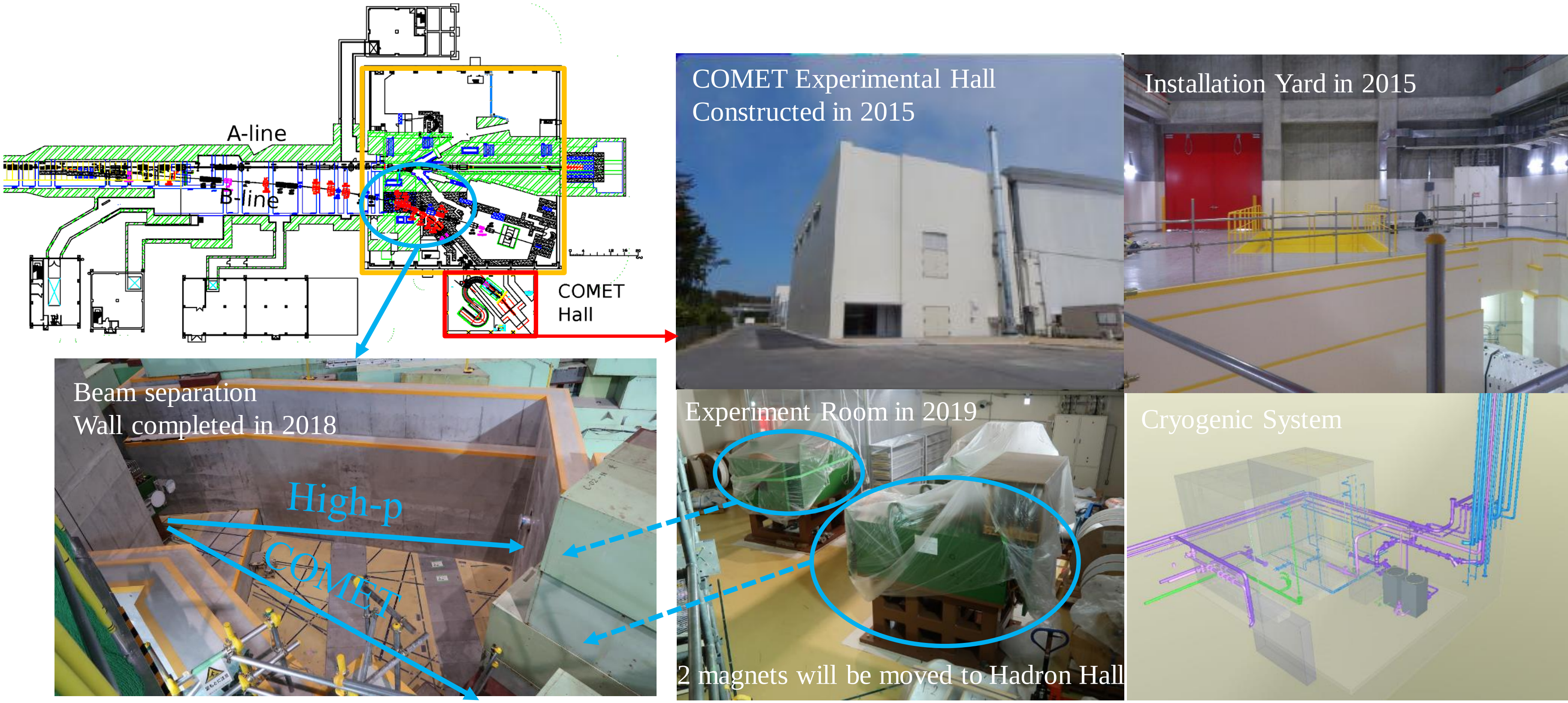
- $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- X$: X can be a new light boson, axion, etc.
  - feasibility being studied in COMET



Current Status of the COMET Experiment

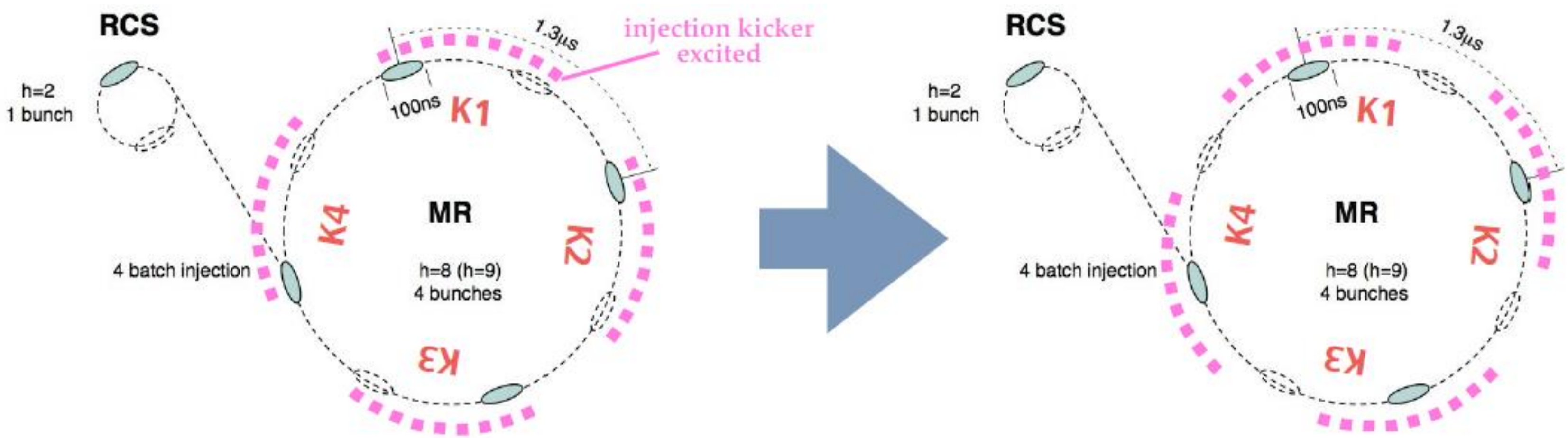
COMET Facility



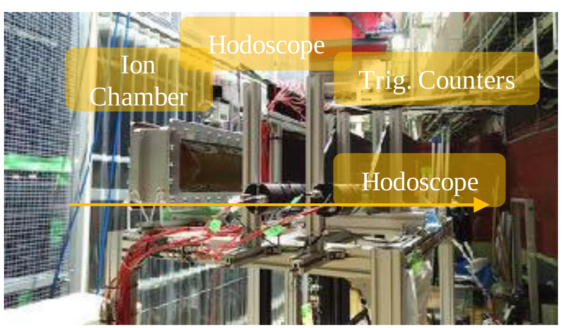
- Experimental Hall building completed
- Cryogenic system under construction
- Proton beamline will be ready this year
  - Shield wall & power station completed. 2 more magnets to be located soon.

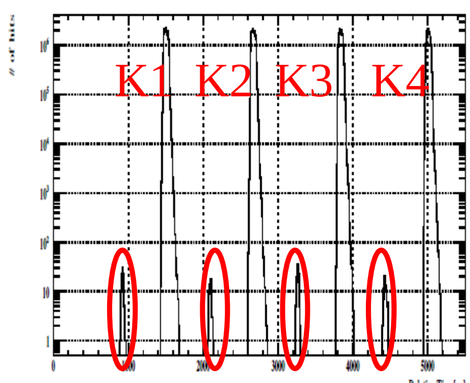
Proton beam from J-PARC MR

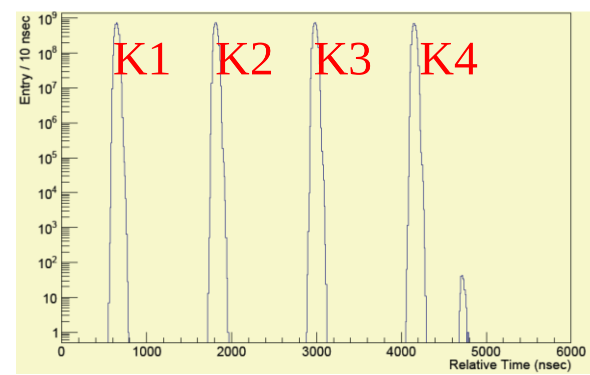
- To make the proton extinction factor $< 10^{-10}$
  - Shift the kicker phase by half period to avoid residual protons in the empty bucket.



- Tested SX in early 2018, proton extinction factor $< 6 \times 10^{-11}$

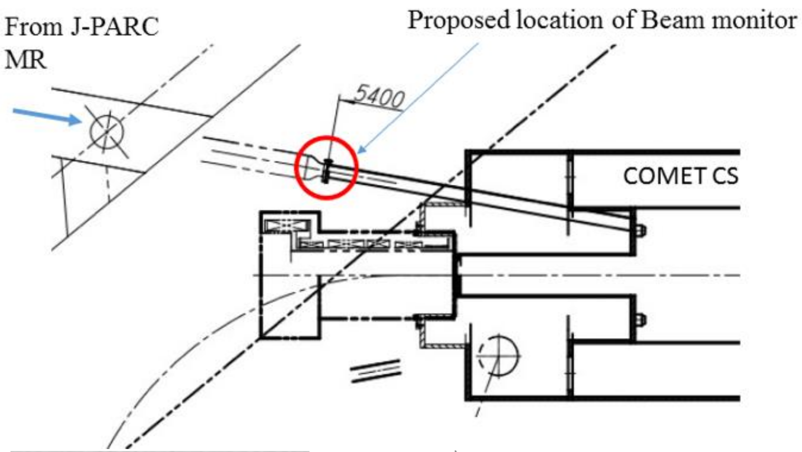


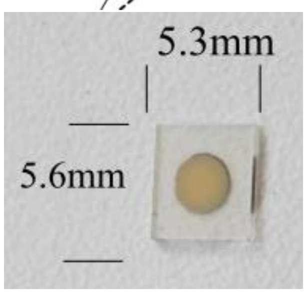


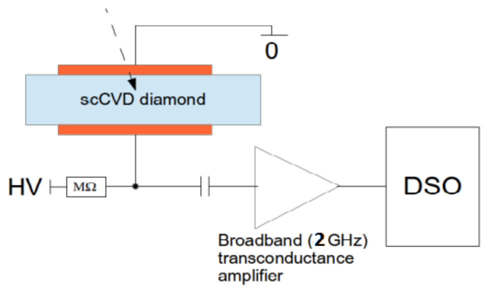


**The rear end small peak is solved this year!*

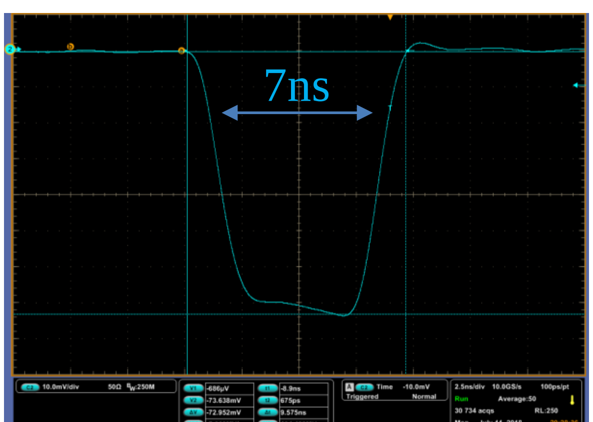
Proton Beam Monitor

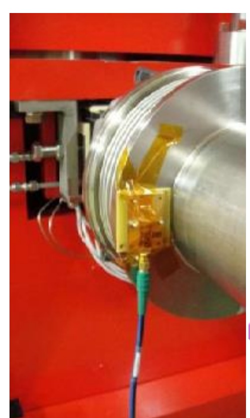


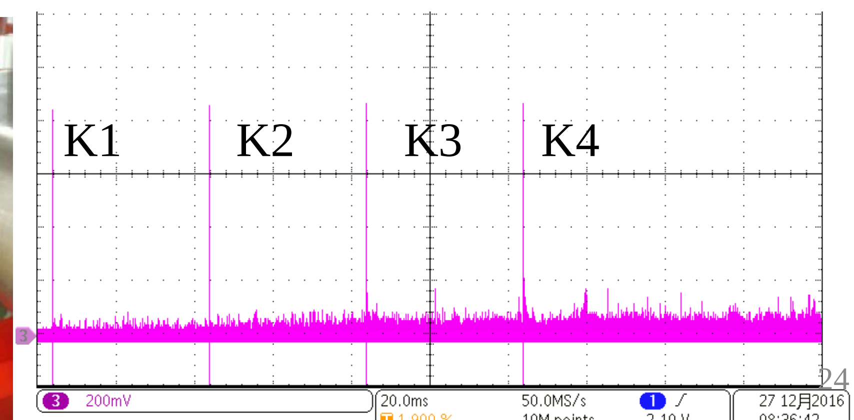




- Measure the proton beam profile and monitor extinction
  - First attempt to get real time profile for such intense beam!
- **Diamond semiconductor**
  - High radiation tolerance
  - Simple geometry
  - Fast response
- Tested at J-PARC main ring
  - Excellent timing response
- Considering backup plans:
  - Gallium Nitride
  - TiO2 nanotube arrays

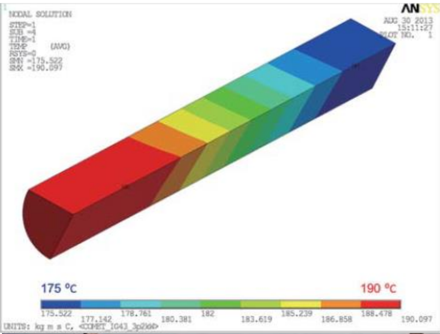


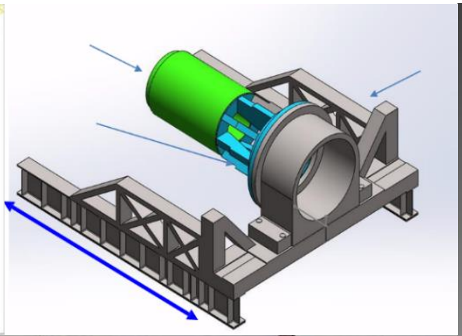




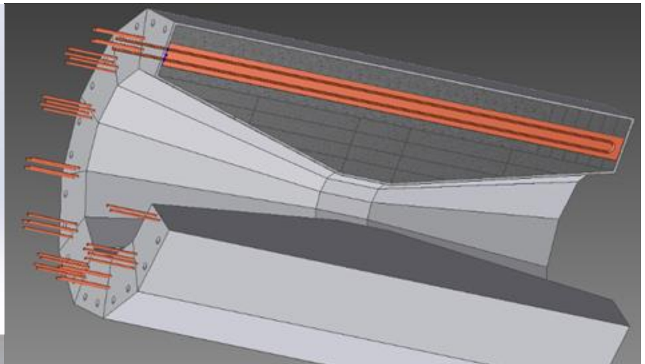
Production Target System

- Phase-I graphite target (IG-43) can be cooled by radiation with 3.2 kW beam.
- Remote handling and cask design of target is in progress.
- Shielding blocked with water cooling is being designed.



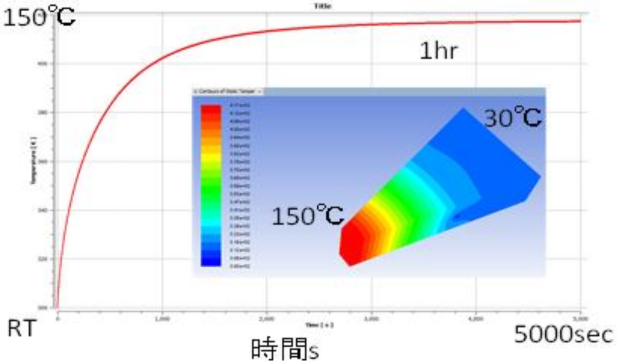


Phase-I production target prototype

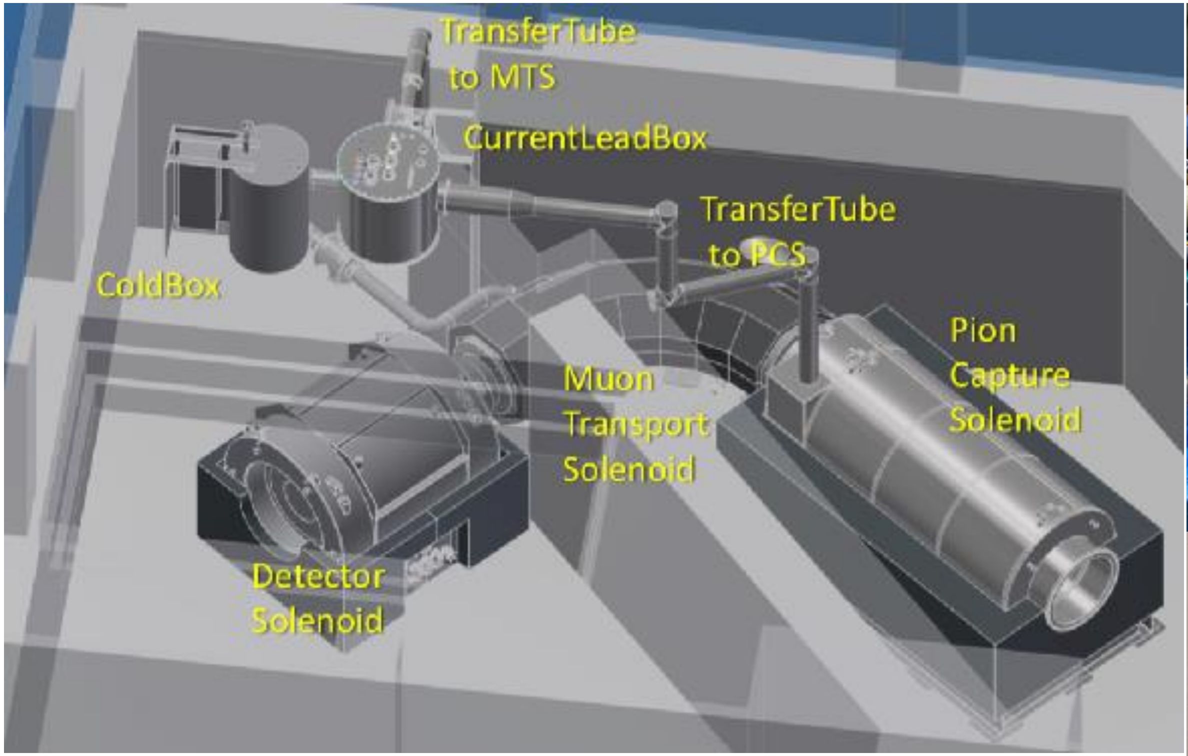


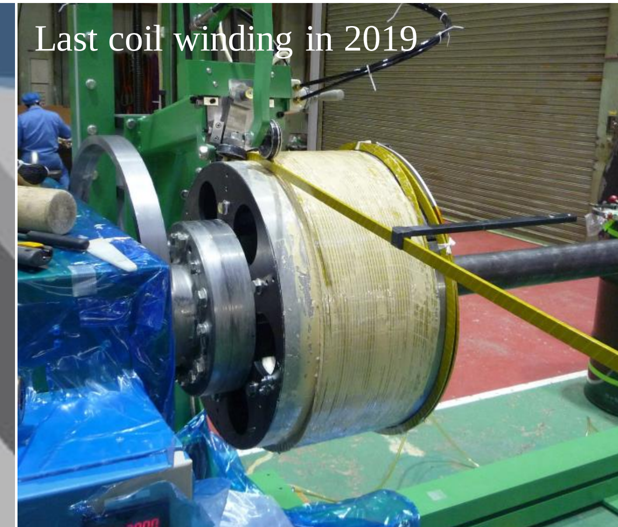
Tungsten shielding with water cooling

27 °C 3 m/s inlet water is enough to cool the block



Solenoids




Last coil winding in 2019


Installed in 2015

Solenoid in 2016

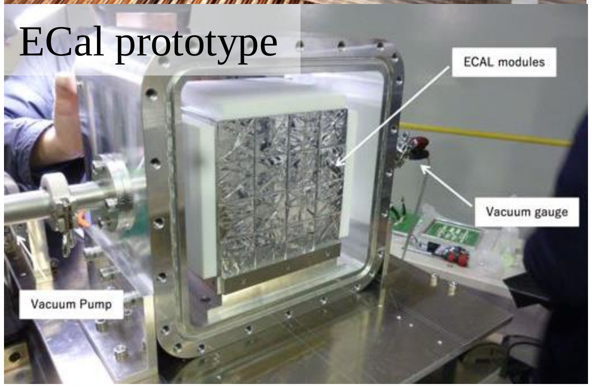

Cryostat in 2019

- Capture solenoid
    - Last coil under winding.
- Transport solenoid
    - Installed and ready for cryogenic test.
- Bridge & detector solenoid
    - DS coil and cryostat ready. BS coil delivered.
- Cryogenic system:
    - Refrigerator test completed.
    - Helium transfer tube in production.

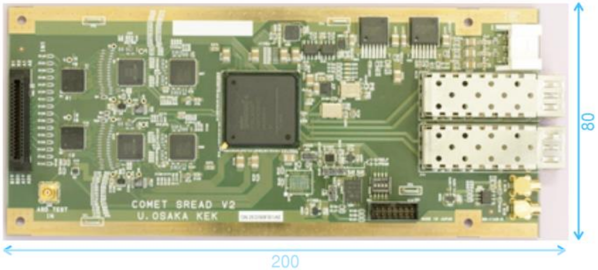
StrEcal

- Straw tube detector
  - Finished vacuum test with 20 um straw tubes.
  - Mass production for Phase-I finished.
  - Tested with 100 MeV electron beam. 150 um spatial resolution achieved.
- Electromagnetic calorimeter
  - Tested GSO and LYSO. Preliminary resolutions are 5.7% and 4.6% for each. LYSO chosen as final option.
- Front end electronics
  - Finished designing (ROESTI/EROS) based on DRS4 with GHz sampling rate.
  - Radiation tests results published.


Straw tube prototype



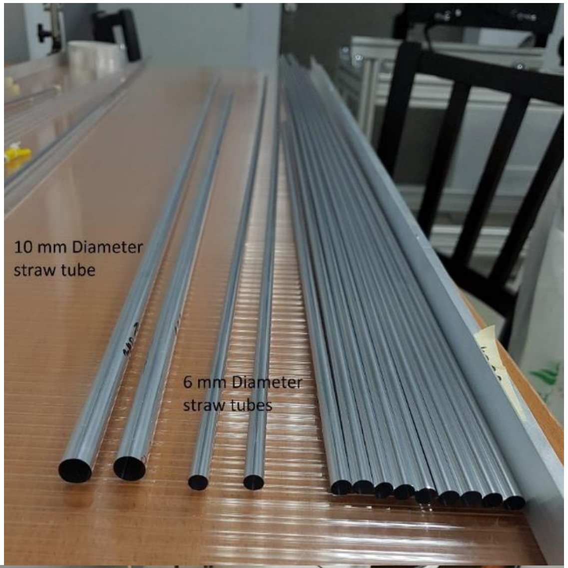
ECal prototype

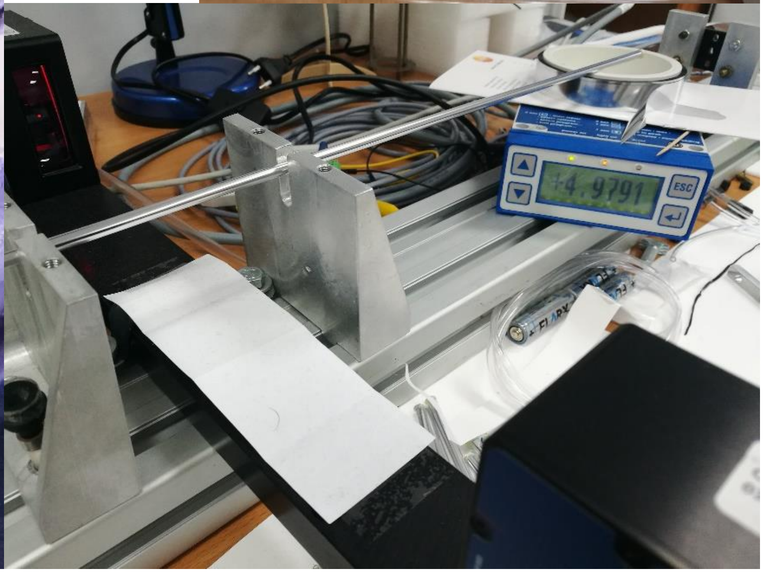


Front end electronics: ROESTI/EROS

R&D of straw for R&D

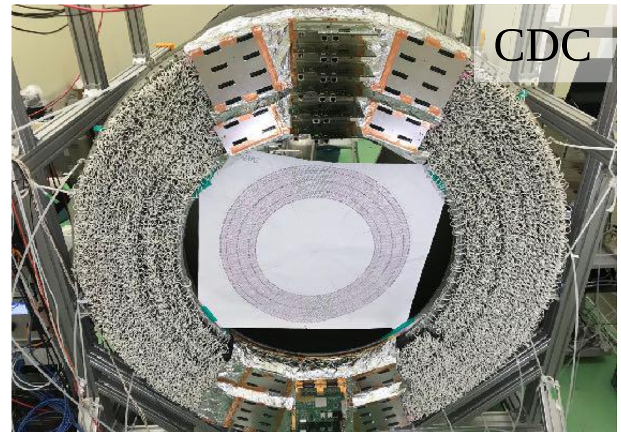
- 12 micro meter thin straw produced for Phase-II!
- Diameter 5 mm
  - 1 bar overpressure straw tube diameter measurement shows 0.1 um accuracy.
- Over pressurization test holding more then 4 bar

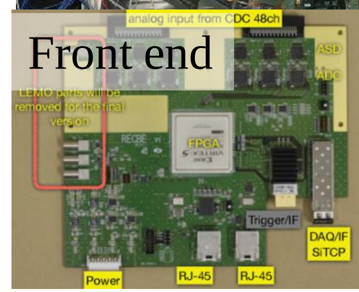


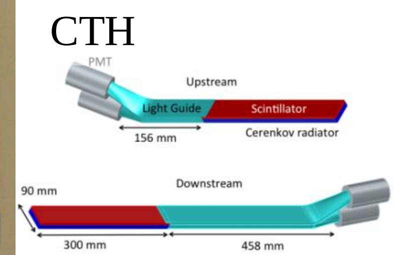


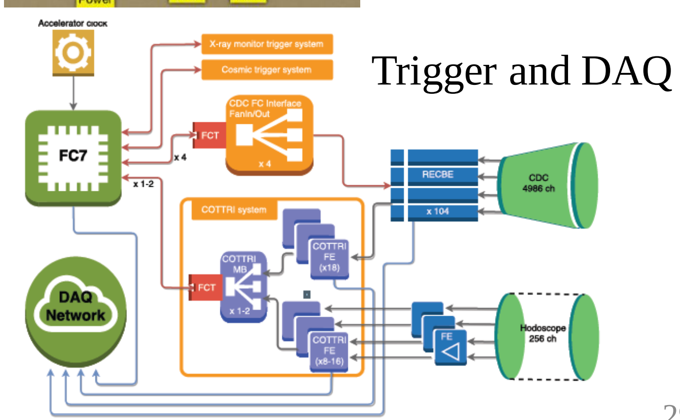
CyDet

- Cylindrical Drift chamber (CDC)
  - Prototype tests finished in 2015. 150 um spatial resolution and 99% hit efficiency were achieved.
  - Construction of the chamber was finished in 2016.
  - Cosmic ray test is under data taking phase.
- Front end electronics
  - Based on RECBE boards from BELLE-II
  - Finished the production and mass tests of 108 boards.
  - Radiation tests are published / to be published.
- Trigger system
  - Cylindrical trigger hodoscope (CTH) under mechanical design.
  - Trigger logic and trigger board design finished. Communication tests with FCT-FC7 trigger system is on going.









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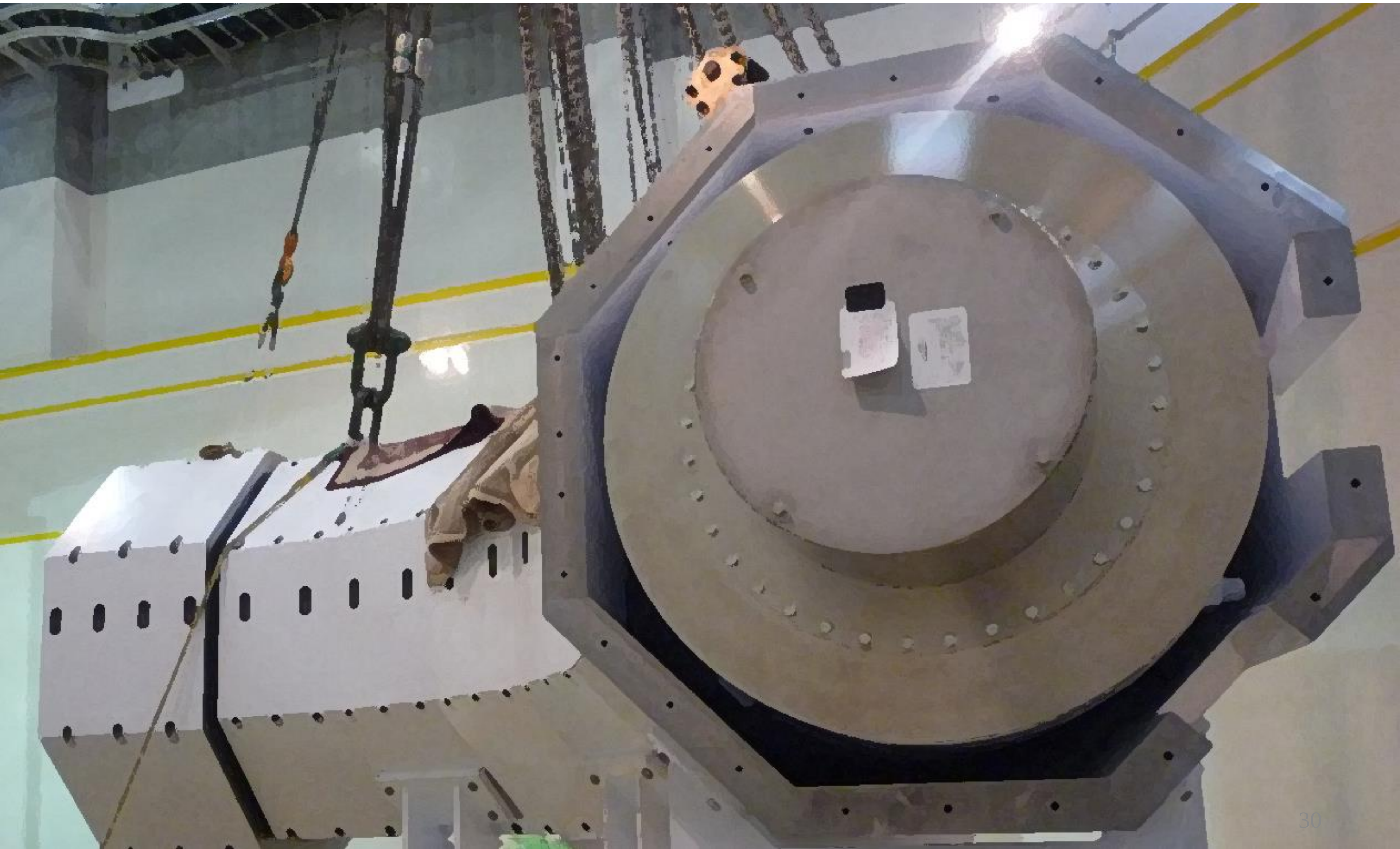
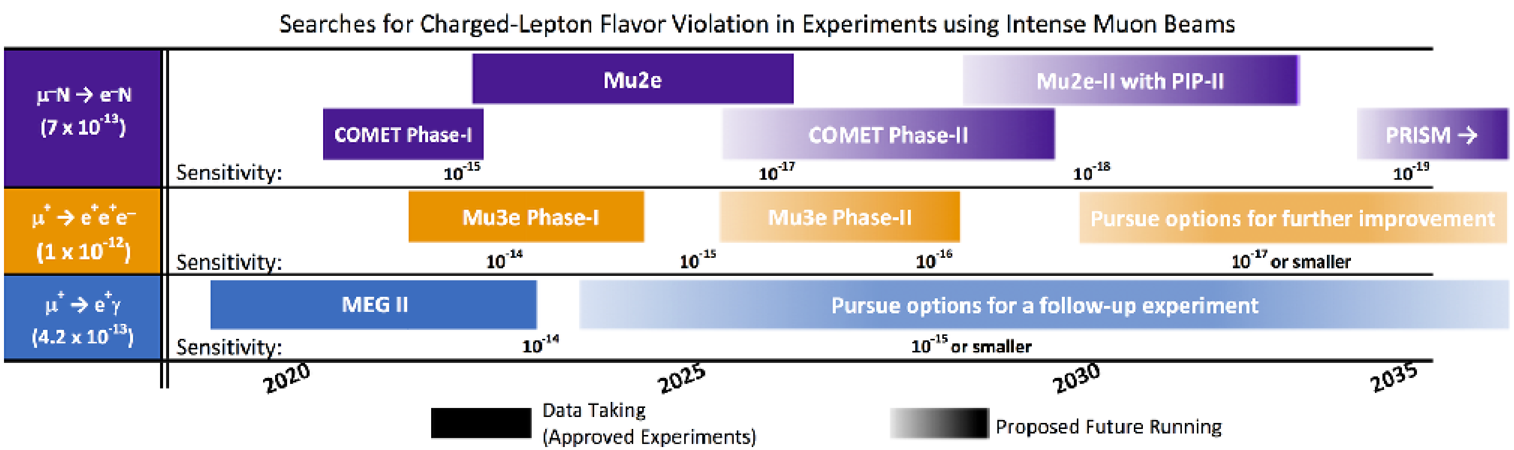


- COMET is an experiment at J-PARC searching for muon to electron process.
  - Aims at S.E.S = 2.6×10^{-17} (4 orders of magnitude improvement) with 1 year beam time using 56 kW 8 GeV proton beam.
  - With the same beam power, **10** times better sensitivity ($\mathcal{O}(10^{-18})$) is likely and optimization is on the way.
- COMET will be carried out in two phases and Phase-I is under construction.
  - Aims at S.E.S = 3×10^{-15} (2 orders of magnitude improvement) with 150 days beam time using 3.2 kW 8 GeV proton beam.
  - Will directly measure the muon beam.
- COMET Phase-II R&D study is on going and will be adjusted based on Phase-I result.

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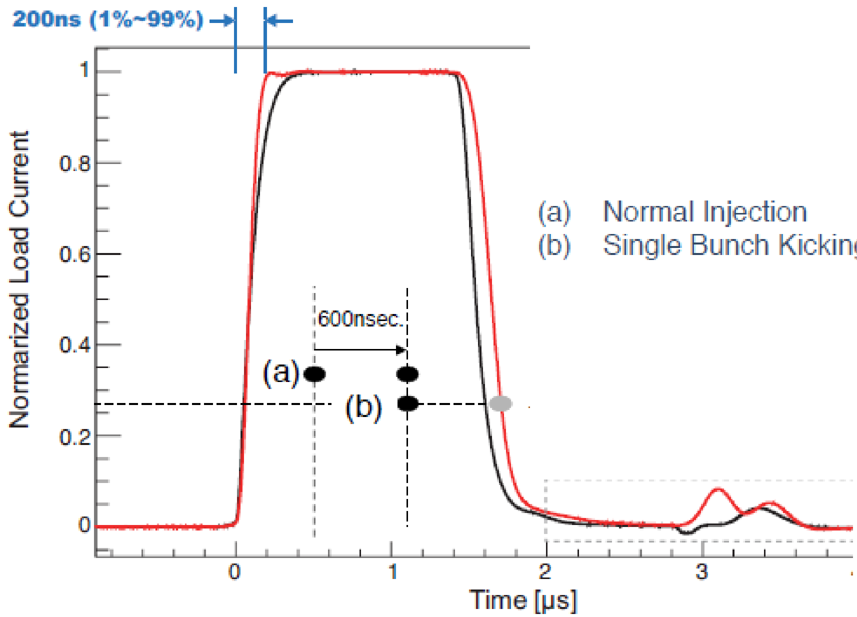
Backup slides

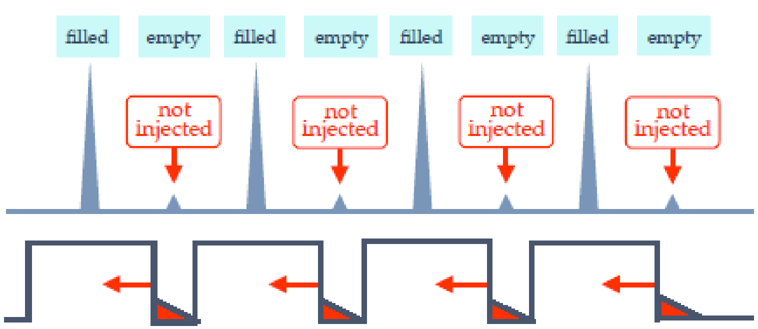
"What does cause K4_rear Mystery" ???

- **Most suspicious assumption:**
  - **Tail of Kicker Excitation ?**
  - **Injection Kicker filed has a small but a certain trailing component**
  - Shift for "Single Bunch Kicking" is half a excitation duration (= 600 nsec)
  - Shift of 600 nsec might be not long enough

    → **Can cause imperfect extinction**



- **Why only K4_rears shows a Mystery ?**
  - Every injection batch has a following injection immediately except for K4
  - Kicker excitation can extinct the residual protons in the prior batch



- **Can be tested quickly just shit the kicker timing little more**
- **Following kicker excitation might have a finite effect…**
- **Let's test it by FX !!**