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Low Energy Studies with High Intensity Muon Sources (On the Road to the First Muon Collider) –

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Muon and Electron Lepton Number Nonconservation: The MECO Experiment to Search for

$\mu^- N \rightarrow e^- N$  – *W. Molzon (UC Irvine)*

A  $\mu \rightarrow e + \gamma$  Experiment at  $10^{-14}$  Sensitivity? – *H.C. Walter (PSI)*

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Outline

1. Introductory Perspective

2. Low Energy Studies

- i) Muon-Number Non-Conservation
- ii) Muon Electric Dipole Moment
- iii) Neutrino Oscillations
- iv) Other

Compelling  
"New Physics"  
Searches

3. Concluding Remarks

1. Introductory Perspective

Muon Collider Concept - "An idea whose time has come."

Still Needs: Creative Ideas  
Clear Compelling Physics Goals  
Aggressive R&D  
Reality Checks!

$\mu^+\mu^-$ ,  $\sqrt{s} = 100, 500, \underline{3,000}, \underline{10,000}$  GeV?

Build An Intense Muon Source

Study Muon Production, Collection, Polarization, Cooling ...  
and

Carry Out - A Frontier Physics Program (More Important!)

- 1) Existing Facility eg. AGS  $6 \times 10^{13}$  p/pulse  $\rightarrow 10^{11} \sim 10^{13} \mu^{\pm}/\text{sec}$   
(relatively inexpensive)
- 2) Full Front End of Muon Collider  $\rightarrow 7 \times 10^{13} \mu^{\pm}/\text{sec}$  (clear)

Either Represents A Major Step Forward  
(Current Facilities  $\sim 10^7 \sim 10^8 \mu/\text{sec}$ )

Do Both

## 2. Low Energy Muon Studies (Most Compelling)

### i) Muon-Number Non-Conservation

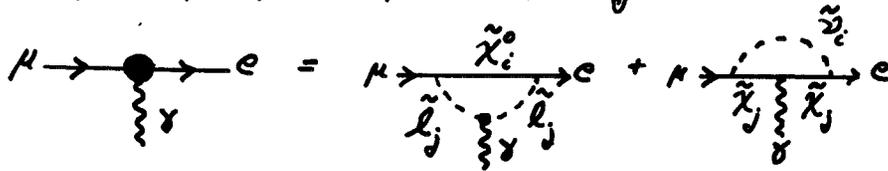
Reaction	Current Bound	Ongoing	Future
$B(\mu^- \tau_i \rightarrow \bar{e} \tau_i)$	$< 7 \times 10^{-13}$	$\sim 2 \times 10^{-14}$	$10^{-16}$ ( $10^{-18}?$ )
$B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^+)$	$< 1 \times 10^{-12}$	-	?
$B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma)$	$< 4.2 \times 10^{-11}$	$\sim 5 \times 10^{-12}$	$10^{-14}$

Powerful Probes of "New Physics"

Robust Discovery Potential

Need Lots Of Muons!  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \omega. \text{ Molzon et. al} \\ 10^{11} \mu^- / \text{sec} \end{array} \right\}$

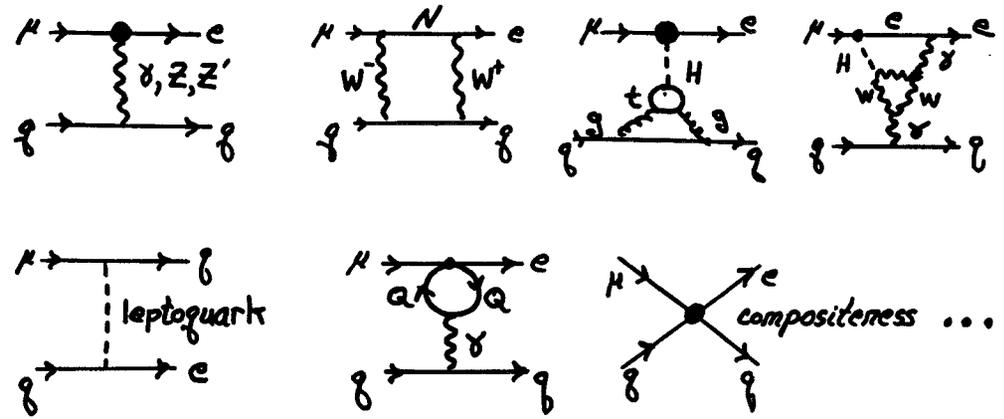
### Example Supersymmetry (Compelling)



$$B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma) : B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^+) : B(\mu^- \tau_i \rightarrow \bar{e} \tau_i)$$

$$1 : \frac{1}{150} : \frac{1}{200}$$

All should be done!



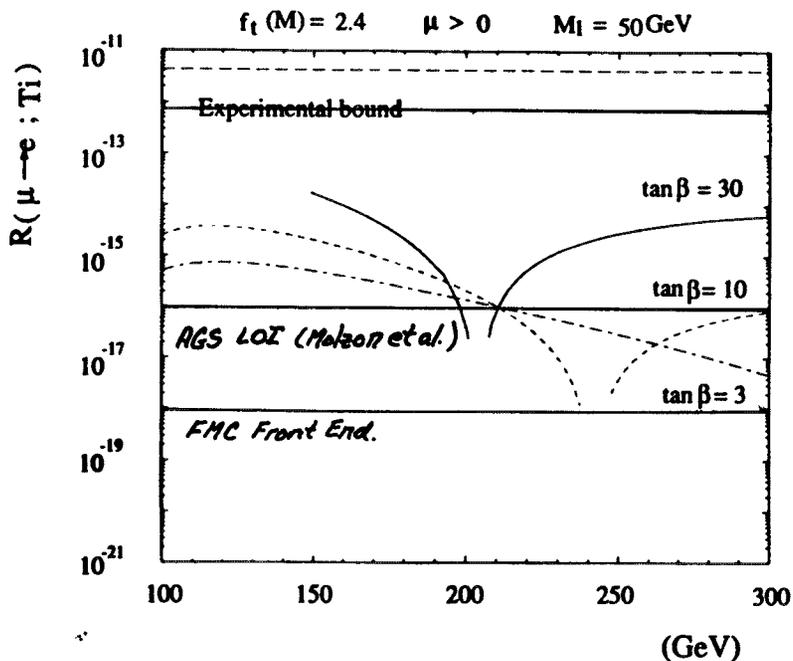
Physics Probed By  $B(\mu N \rightarrow e^- N) \lesssim 10^{-16}$  ( $10^{-18}$ )

- i) SUSY GUTS see fig. example
- ii) Heavy Neutrino Mixing  $|U_{\mu N}^* U_{e N}| \lesssim 8 \times 10^{-13}$  ( $10^{-15}$ )
- iii) Leptoquarks  $M_{LQ} > 3000 \sqrt{\lambda_{ud}} \sqrt{\lambda_{ed}} \text{ TeV!}$
- iv) Compositeness  $\Lambda_c > 3000$  (9000) TeV!
- v) Higgs  $\mu e$  Coupling  $< 10^{-4} H \mu \mu$   
Equivalent to  $B(H \rightarrow \mu e) < 10^{-12}$  ( $10^{-14}$ )!
- vi) Z  $\mu e$  Coupling Equiv.  $B(Z \rightarrow \mu e) < 10^{-17}$  ( $10^{-19}$ )!

Anticipate Discovery!

$\mu^- Ti \rightarrow e^- Ti$  in SUSY  $SU(5)$  Model, (Hisano, Moroi, Tobe + Yamaguchi)

$\sim (\frac{m_t}{m_\mu})^2$  larger is some SUSY  $SO(10)$  (Barbieri, Hall...)



$m_{\tilde{c}_R}$

(a)

ii) Muon Electric Dipole Moment (e.d.m.)

Brookhaven  $g_{\mu-2}$  Collaboration

Storage Ring Exists + Works (see fig)

$\rightarrow \Delta a_\mu = \Delta \left( \frac{g_{\mu-2}}{2} \right) = \pm 40 \times 10^{-11}$  (or better)

AGS LOI Yannis Semertzidis et al.

Measure Muon e.d.m.

(Strong Focusing, High Intensity, Pol.)

Currently

$|d_e| \lesssim 4 \times 10^{-27}$  e-cm

$|d_n| \lesssim 10^{-25}$  e-cm

$|d_\mu| \lesssim 7 \times 10^{-19}$  e-cm

} Violate P+T!  
(Baryogenesis)

Very Crudely Expect  $d_e : d_n : d_\mu :: m_e : m_n : m_\mu :: 1 : 20 : 200$

Currently Muon Not Competitive (But Pure)

BNL E821 LOI  $\rightarrow |d_\mu| \sim 10^{-24}$  e-cm! (level of e+r)

6 Orders of Magnitude Improvement!

in an amplitude

Like 17 Orders of Magnitude

$d_\mu \sim 10^{-24}$  e-cm requires: Polarization } Being studied  
 $\sim 7 \times 10^7 \mu/\text{sec}$  }  
 strong focusing

More Intense Source  $\rightarrow 10^{-25} - 10^{-26}$  e-cm! (Exciting!)

Need  $10^{10} - 10^{12} \mu/\text{sec}$  (Challenging!)

iii) Neutrino Oscillations (using muon storage ring)

Old Idea eg Fermilab P860 W. Lee et al.

$\bar{p}$  Debuncher



Contains  $\mu^-$   
 $3 \times 10^7 \mu/\text{sec}!$

Proposal  $\rightarrow 6 \times 10^8 \mu/\text{sec}$  Study Osc.

$\mu^- \rightarrow e^- \nu_\mu \bar{\nu}_e$  Clean Well Known Spectrum

Extremely Compelling  $\gtrsim 10^{11} \mu/\text{sec}$

Highlight of Fermilab Workshop (November 1997)

S. Geer (preprint)  $7 \times 10^{13} \mu/\text{sec}!$

(Worth Pursuing Near Term)

iv) Other (Under Study)

Muonium  $\mu^+e^-$  H.F.S.,  $\mu^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+e^+$

Muonic Atoms P,T violation  $\mu^-N$   $|g_A^2| \sim \frac{m_\mu^2}{m_e^2} \sim 10^7$

Neutrino Mass

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### 3. Concluding Remarks

Intense Muon Source + Low Energy Exp. Program

Provide Path to First Muon Collider

$\mu^-N \rightarrow e^-N$   
 $(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma)$

Muon e.d.m.

$\nu$  osc.

Revolutionary Discovery Potential

(Challenging)

Start as soon as possible! Fast track!

Demonstrate:  $\mu$  Production, Collection, Pol., Cooling,  
 Storage, Accel., Reliability ...

Do Fundamental Physics!

**Muon and Electron Lepton Number Nonconservation**  
**The MECO Experiment to Search for  $\mu^- N \rightarrow e^- N$**

**4th International Conference**  
**on Physics Potential and Development of  $\mu^+ \mu^-$**   
**Colliders**

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- Physics Motivation
- Overview of Experimental Technique
- MECO Search for  $\mu^- N \rightarrow e^- N$  with Sensitivity Below  $10^{-16}$ 
  - New Muon Beam
  - Backgrounds and Sensitivity
  - Status and Schedule

**Search for Lepton Flavor Violation**

Apparently conserved additive quantum numbers associated with each *family* of leptons

- Rigorously true in SM if neutrinos are degenerate in mass

G=1	$e$	$\nu_e$	$u$	$d$
G=2	$\mu$	$\nu_\mu$	$c$	$s$
G=3	$\tau$	$\nu_\tau$	$t$	$b$

- Not well motivated theoretically – not result of invariance with respect to gauge transformation as in electric charge conservation
- Tested experimentally in many processes
- Mass scale probed is very high –

$$\Gamma(\mu^- N \rightarrow e^- N) / \Gamma(\mu^- N \rightarrow \nu N') = 10^{-16} \Rightarrow$$

$$M = 1000 \text{ TeV}/c^2$$

- Essentially all extensions to Standard Model allow LFV processes
- Improved muon beams and experiments allow huge improvements in sensitivity

$\mu^- N \rightarrow e^- N$	$10^{-12} \rightarrow 10^{-16}$
$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma$	$10^{-11} \rightarrow 10^{-14}$

## Classify Decays by Change in Generation Number

From the model of Cahn and Harari – basic dimensional analysis:

G=1     e    $\nu_e$    u   d  
 G=2      $\mu$     $\nu_\mu$    c   s  
 G=3      $\tau$     $\nu_\tau$    t   b

$\Delta G = 0(2)$  processes:

	$B(K_L^0 \rightarrow \mu e) < 2.4 \times 10^{-11}$ BNL871 $\rightarrow 10^{-12}$ axialvector or pseudoscalar	$M_X > 99 \text{ TeV}/c^2$
	$B(K^+ \rightarrow \pi \mu e) < 2.1 \times 10^{-10}$ BNL865 $\rightarrow 3 \times 10^{-12}$ vector or scalar	$M_X > 29 \text{ TeV}/c^2$

$\Delta G = \pm 1$  processes:

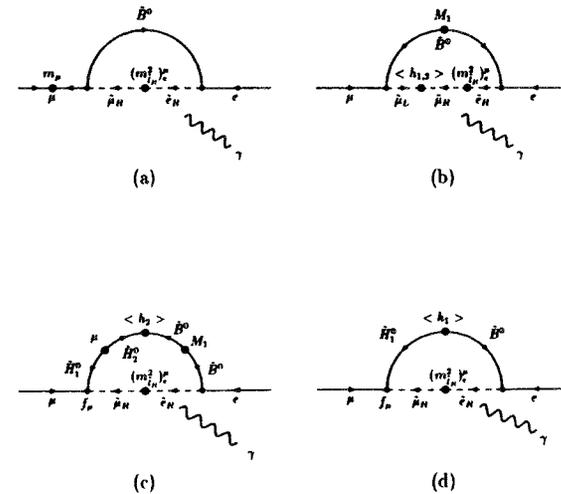
	$B(\mu \rightarrow eee) < 1.0 \times 10^{-12}$	$\Delta > 86 \text{ TeV}/c^2$
	$B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma) < 1.7 \times 10^{-11}$ MEGA $\rightarrow \text{few} \times 10^{-12}$	$\Delta > 20 \text{ TeV}/c^2$
	$\frac{\Gamma(\mu^- A \rightarrow e^- A)}{\Gamma(\mu^- A \rightarrow \nu A)} < 8 \times 10^{-13}$ SINDRUM2 $\rightarrow 4 \times 10^{-14}$ MECO at BNL $\rightarrow 10^{-16}$	$\Delta > 240 \text{ TeV}/c^2$

$\Delta G = \pm 2$  processes:

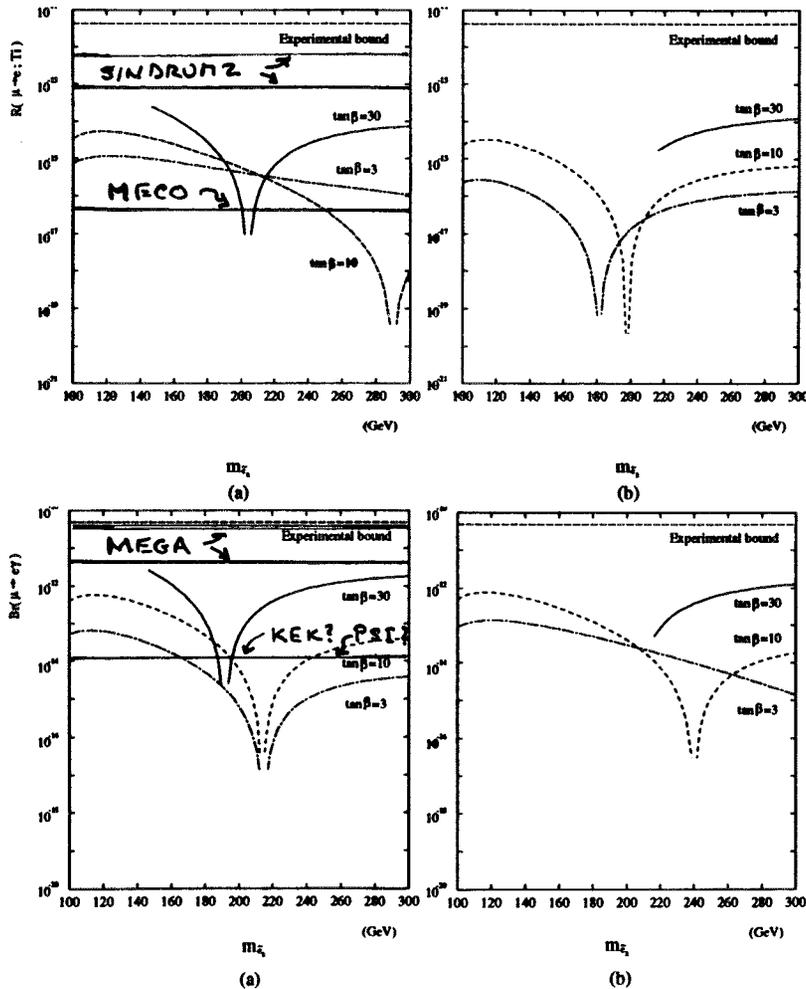
	$\Delta M_K < 3.5 \times 10^{-12} \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\Delta > 400 \text{ TeV}/c^2$
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## Supersymmetric GUTs Motivation for LFV

- Perhaps the most realistic possibility for physics beyond the SM
- Grand unified supersymmetric theories relate family structure of standard and supersymmetric sectors
- If supersymmetry is discovered, motivation for LFV searches is as strong as it ever was
  - $\Rightarrow$  the possibility of predictions for LFV rates
  - $\Rightarrow$  the possibility of discovering something
- LFV occurs through mixing in supersymmetric sector



## LFV Predictions From the Model of Hisano, et al.



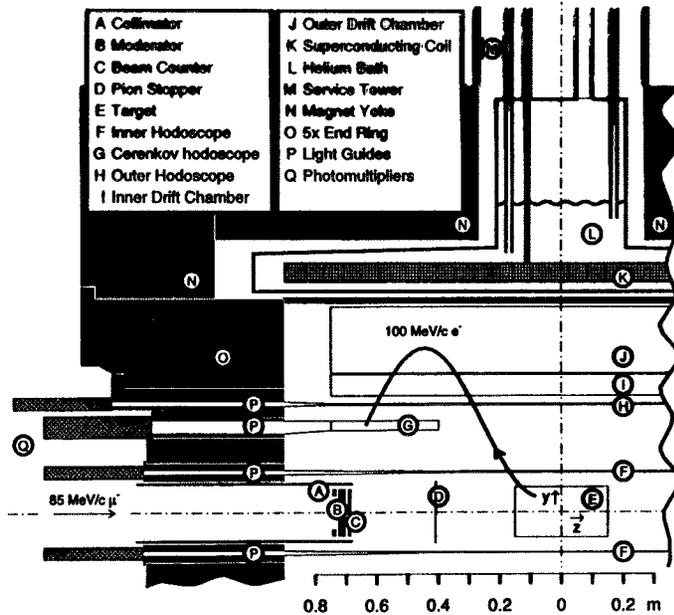
## Outline of $\mu^- N \rightarrow e^- N$ Experiment

- Basic process:
  - Bring  $\mu^-$  to rest in thin target
  - $\mu^-$  is captured in Coulomb orbit, cascades in
  - Can capture on the nucleus (inverse  $\beta$  decay)
  - Can decay in orbit
  - **May convert to electron**
- Interaction is coherent over the nucleus
  - Nucleus usually left in ground state
  - Rate for  $\mu^- N \rightarrow e^- N$  enhanced for high Z nuclei
- For  $\gamma$  exchange,  $B(\mu^- N \rightarrow e^- N) / B(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma) \simeq 0.01$
- For other mechanisms,  $\mu^- N \rightarrow e^- N$  can be more sensitive
- Experimental issues
  - Signature is very simple – 105 MeV electron
  - No accidental coincidence backgrounds
  - Other sources of 105 MeV electrons heavily suppressed
  - Balance higher sensitivity at high Z vs. less experimental difficulties at low Z

## Search for $\mu^- N \rightarrow e^- N$ with SINDRUM2 at PSI

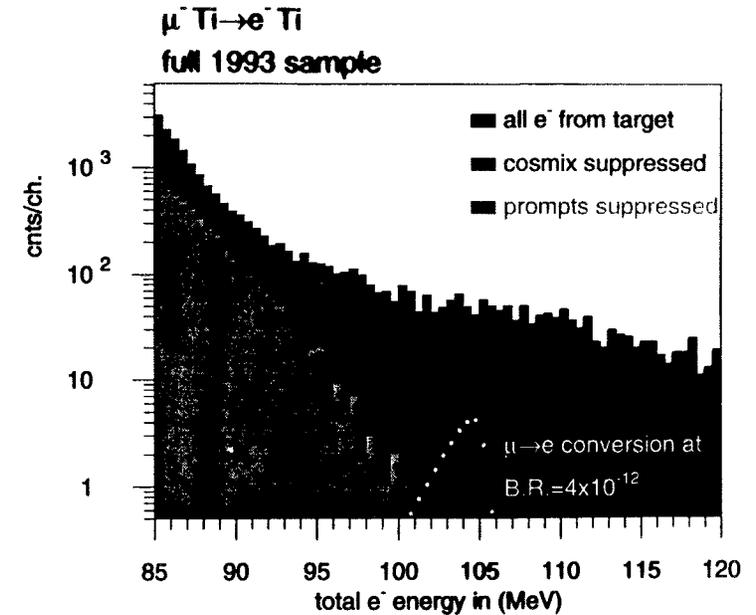
- $\mu^-$  beam derived from 1.5 mA, 590 MeV cyclotron ( $10^{16}$  protons per second at 1.2 GeV/c)
- Muon beam is a mixed 85 MeV/c  $\pi, \mu, e$  beam with total flux  $> \sim 10^7 \text{ s}^{-1}$
- Data taking complete for first phase

$$\Gamma(\mu^- N \rightarrow e^- N) / \Gamma(\mu^- N \rightarrow \nu N') < 7.8 \times 10^{-13}$$



## Search for $\mu^- N \rightarrow e^- N$ with SINDRUM2 ...

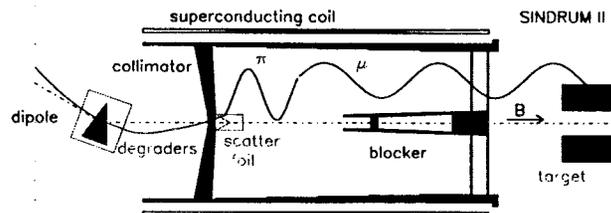
- Limited by “prompt”  $\pi, \mu, e$  processes and detector rates
  - Eliminated with veto counter in beam
- Cosmic ray induced background eliminated by detecting throughgoing muon in detector
- Electron energy resolution limited by energy loss straggling and spectrometer resolution of  $\text{FWHM} \sim 2.5 \text{ MeV}$



## Expected Improvements from SINDRUM2

- New beam being built for SINDRUM2 at PSI
  - Reduce  $\pi$  beam energy below 70 MeV
    - eliminate prompt  $e$  background
  - Absorb most pions
    - reduce prompt  $\pi$  background
  - Increase  $\mu$  stop rate
    - no veto counter allows higher rate

the new muon channel



$10^9 \pi^- s^{-1}$  at 95 MeV/c

$10^8 \mu^- s^{-1}$  stops

high purity, no beam counter required

- Expected sensitivity of  $4 \times 10^{-14}$
- Sensitivity then limited by available flux

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A Search for  $\mu^- N \rightarrow e^- N$  with Sensitivity Below  $10^{-16}$

## Muon – Electron Conversion

Proposal to Brookhaven National Laboratory AGS

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PRIMARY BEAM	8-20 GeV proton beam pulsed at 1.11 MHz $4 \times 10^{13}$ per spill
PRIMARY TARGET	2-3 second repetition rate, 50% duty cycle Radiation cooled tungsten
SECONDARY BEAM	Low energy, negative $\mu$ $5 \times 10^{11}$ per pulse
SECONDARY TARGET	Aluminum
TIME REQUESTED	4000 hours
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## Physics Background Issues for $\mu^- N \rightarrow e^- N$

1.  $\mu^-$  decay in orbit:
  - $E_e^{max} = E_e$  from  $\mu^- N \rightarrow e^- N$
  - $dN/dE_e \propto (E_{max} - E_e)^5$
  - Sets electron energy resolution required
2. Radiative  $\mu^-$  capture:  $\mu^-(A, Z) \rightarrow (A, Z - 1)\nu\gamma$ 
  - $E_e^{max} = 102.5$  MeV,  $P(E_\gamma > 100.5) = 4 \times 10^{-9}$
  - $P(\gamma \rightarrow e^+ e^-, E_{e^-} > 100 \text{ MeV}) = 2.5 \times 10^{-5}$
3. Radiative  $\pi^-$  capture:  $\pi^-(A, Z) \rightarrow (A, Z - 1)\gamma$ 
  - Branching fraction  $\sim 1.2\%$  with  $E_\gamma > 105$  MeV
  - $P(\gamma \rightarrow e^+ e^-, 103.5 < E_{e^-} < 105 \text{ MeV}) = 3.5 \times 10^{-5}$
  - $\Rightarrow < 10^{-16}$   $\pi^-/p$  at target during detection
4.  $\mu^-$  decay in flight,  $e^-$  scatter in target
5. Beam  $e^-$ , scatter in target
  - $\Rightarrow < 10^{-7}$   $e^-/p$  with  $E_e > 100$  MeV
6. Cosmic ray induced  $e^-$ 
  - primarily muon decay and interactions
  - requires active and passive shielding

1,2	require excellent energy resolution
3,4,5	eliminated with beam veto or pulsed beam
6	requires active and passive shielding

## Background from Anti-protons

- Potential background from  $\bar{p}$  annihilating in stopping target
- Concern is late arriving (and hence low energy)  $\bar{p}$ 
  - High ( $> 80$  MeV/c) momentum  $\bar{p}$  are not transmitted
  - Low ( $< 80$  MeV/c) momentum  $\bar{p}$  arrive late not suppressed by pulsed beam
  - Production cross section near threshold not well measured
- Comments on  $\bar{p}$  production
  - Threshold in pp collisions is 6.5 GeV/c
  - Threshold for Fermi momentum of 300 MeV/c is  $\sim 5$  GeV/c
  - $\bar{p}$  produced at threshold have  $p_{\bar{p}} \simeq p_p/4$   
 $\Rightarrow$  no low energy production
  - $\bar{p}$  produced at threshold do not reflect in field
- Safest response is to work below threshold
  - FLUKA and Gheisha predict 40-50% loss in  $\mu$  stop rate
  - some sensitivity regained from increased rep rate
- Additional suppression from the following:
  - Crossed E and B field gives drift  
 2 m long electrodes in beginning transport solenoid  
 600 kV over 0.3 m, 2 T  $\Rightarrow v_D$  is  $10^6$  m/s  
 drift distance is  $\sim 13$  cm – same direction as drift in torus
  - Use very thin absorber at second collimator location

### Essential Features of MECO Experiment

- Much higher muon flux (idea from MELC at MMF)
  - High  $Z$  target for enhanced pion production
  - Capture most produced pions in graded solenoidal field
  - Produce  $\sim 10^{-2}$   $\mu$  per proton with 8 GeV p beam  
( $10^{-8}$  for SINDRUM2,  $10^{-4}$  for MELC, 0.3 for  $\mu$  collider)
  - $\mu^-$  transported in curved solenoid, new for MECO  
Suppress high momentum negatives, all positives

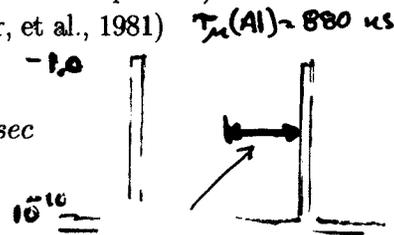
- Pulsed beam to eliminate prompt backgrounds  
(conversion electron detected in time with beam particle)  
used in PSI experiment (A. Badertscher, et al., 1981)

– Beam pulse length  $\ll \tau_\mu$

– Time between pulses  $\simeq \tau_\mu \simeq 1 \mu\text{sec}$

– Large (50%) macro duty-cycle

– Extinction between pulses  $\simeq 10^{-10}$



- Detector with improved resolution, background rate capabilities

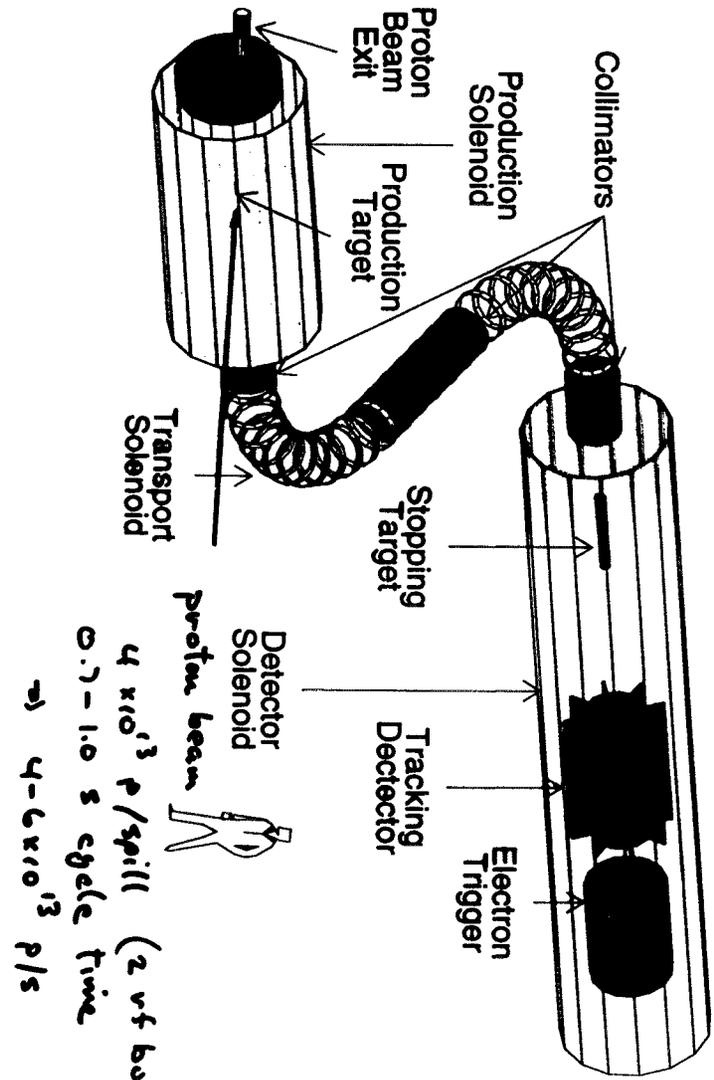
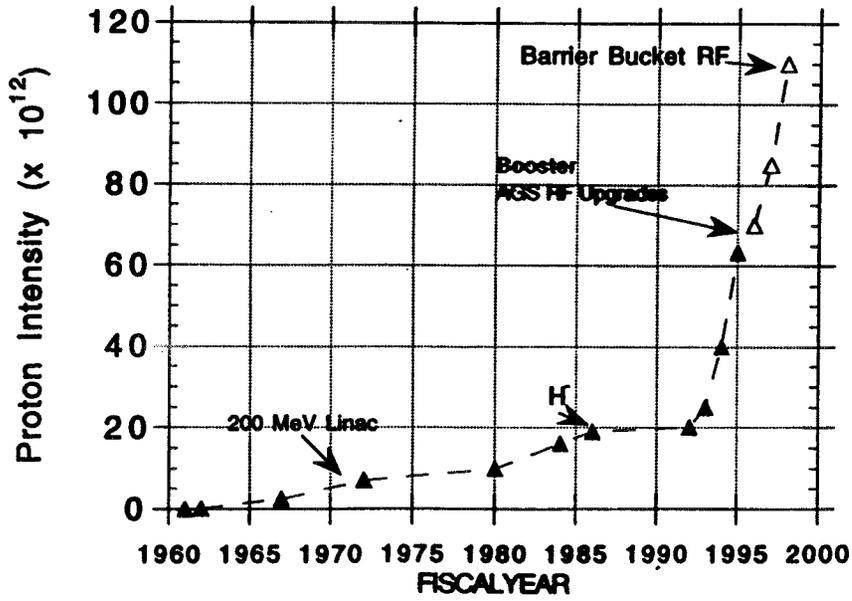
- Detector in graded solenoidal field  
for good acceptance, rate capabilities (M)
- Spectrometer with nearly axial detector  
very high resolution (MECO)

### Advantages of Building Muon Source at BNL

- Much larger  $\mu^-$  flux per proton than at low energy accelerators
- $\mu^-/\mu^+$  ratio near 1 – so lower rates wrt low energy accelerator
- More muons per incident energy – easier job with shielding
- $\mu^+$ ,  $\mu^-$  beams needed for muon collider R & D
- AGS will run as RHIC injector – modest cost to run experiment

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### AGS PROTON INTENSITY HISTORY



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J. Steinberger + H. Wolfe

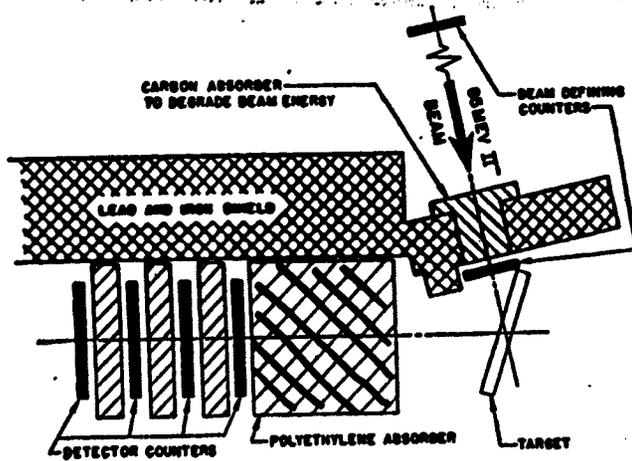


FIG. 1. Experimental arrangement.

Upper limit  $\frac{\Gamma(\mu N + \nu N)}{\Gamma(\mu N + \nu N)}$   
 $< 5 \times 10^{-4}$

Remaining time 20 hrs

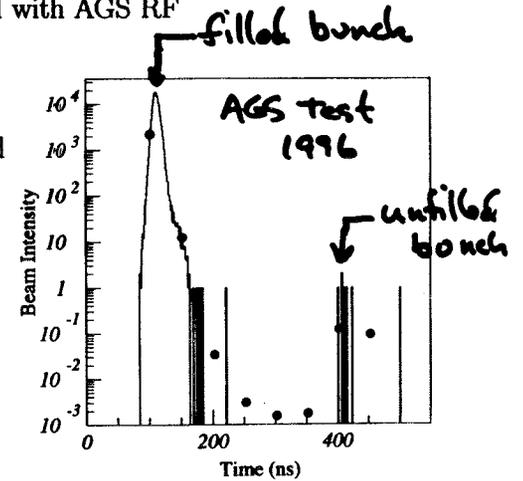
Pol. In : 5 cts  
 Pol. out : 123 cts

**Pulsed Proton Beams at BNL AGS**

- Required to eliminate prompt background – extinction  $< 10^{-10}$ 
  - beam electrons scatter in target
  - radiative  $\pi^-$  capture
  - $\mu^-$  decay in flight

- Extract proton beam bunched with AGS RF

- 8 bunches
- 2.7  $\mu$ sec revolution time
- Beam extinction measured one bunch extracted
- Extinction  $< 10^{-6}$  between bunches
- Extinction  $< 10^{-3}$  in unfilled bunches

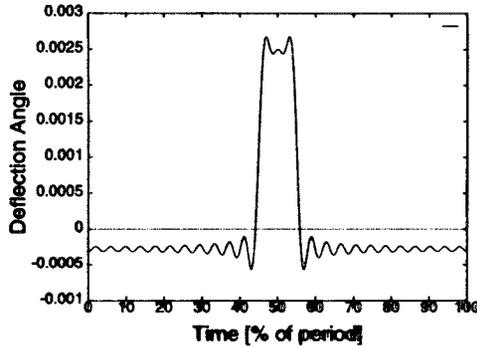


- Require secondary extinction in extracted beamline

- Pulsed electrostatic or magnetic kicker
  - \* Divert beam by 2.5 mrad
  - \* 4 MV/meter transverse field, 5 m long

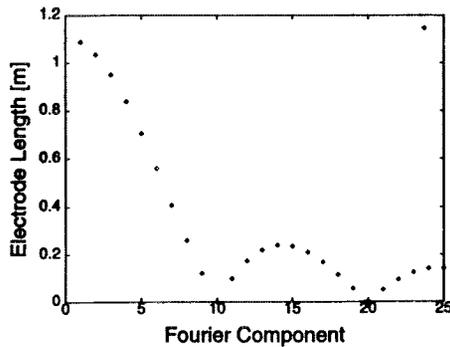
## Electrostatic Kicker for Pulsed Beam

- Divert beam off muon production target between pulses with electrostatic kicker

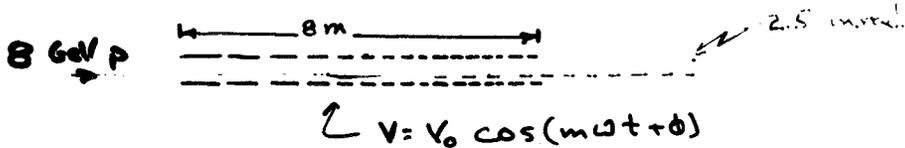


- 8 m long device, giving 20 MeV/c transverse momentum
- 25 m drift path giving ~8 cm deflection

- Get time structure by superposition of Fourier components of 10% DF square wave with ~1 MHz frequency
- Use ~20 electrodes, each driven resonantly with LRC circuit

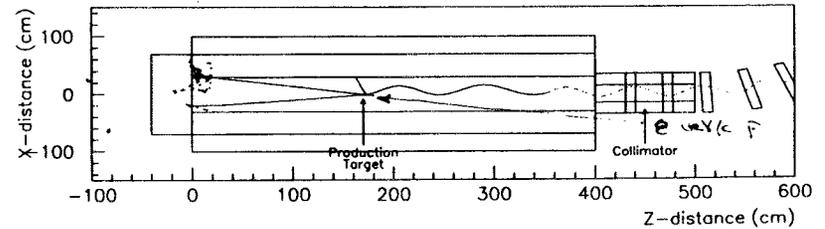
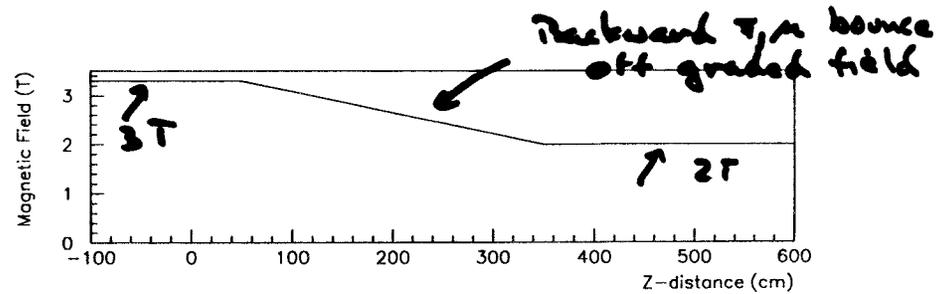


- Simple low power drivers give 4 MV/m field
- Length of electrode  $\propto$  Fourier coefficient
- Adjust phase for proton transit time
- Feedback to inductor to stay on resonance



## Muon Production for MECO

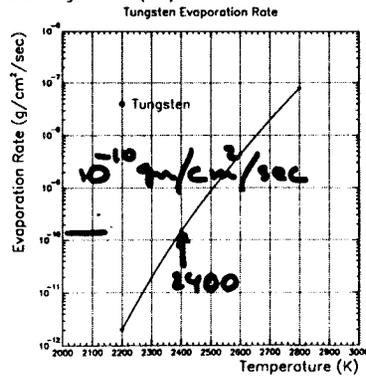
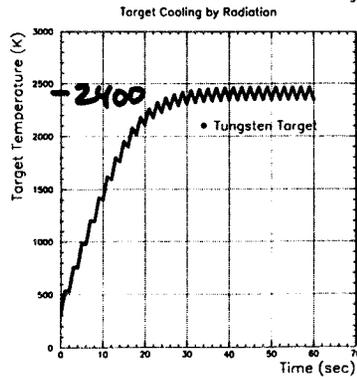
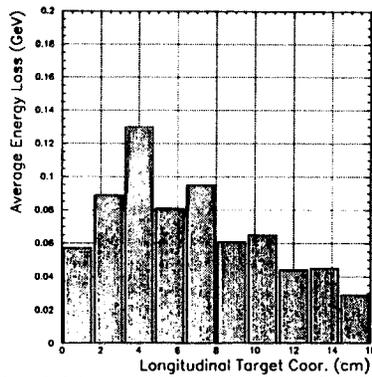
- Target in solenoid with graded field to increase solid angle acceptance to  $\sim 4\pi$
- High Z target for improved low energy muon yield
- Target backwards to minimize problems with dump



### Radiation Cooled Tungsten Target

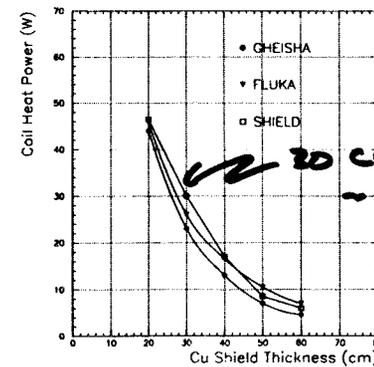
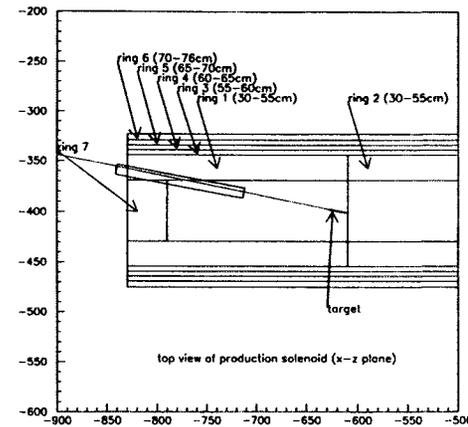
- Studied with GEANT simulation

Hadron Code	Average Current	Target Radius	Target Length	Average Loss	Peak Power	Average Power
GHEISHA	$2 \times 10^{13}$ p/sec	0.4 cm	16 cm	0.7 GeV	4.7 kW	2.35 kW
GHEISHA	-	-	20 cm	0.77 GeV	5.1 kW	2.55 kW
FLUKA	-	-	16 cm	0.7 GeV	4.7 kW	2.35 kW
FLUKA	-	-	20 cm	0.74 GeV	4.9 kW	2.45 kW



### Production Solenoid Radiation and Heat Load

- Studied with GEANT simulation
- Radiation load is  $\sim 50$  Mrad per year
- Total heat load on solenoid below 50W
- Local instantaneous heat load below 0.2 mW/gm well below quench limits



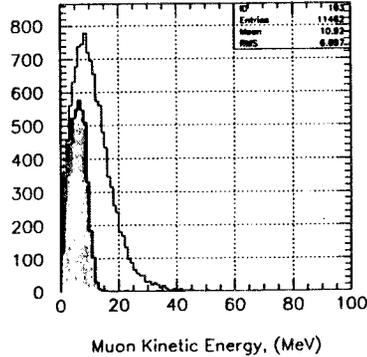
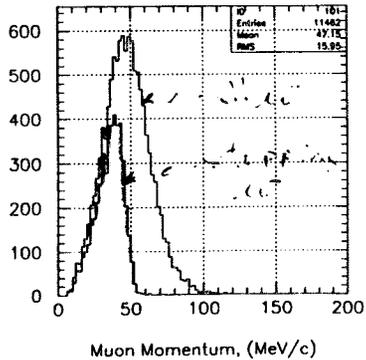
30 cm Cu shield  
 $\sim 30$  W power  
 in 6cm Cu shell

## Studies of Muon Yield for MECO

- Not much information on low energy (0-10 MeV, 0-60 MeV/c) pion production cross sections with 8-20 GeV proton beams
- E910 at BNL has data, perhaps to below 100 MeV/c
- Production cross sections modeled with a number of codes – GHEISHA, FLUKA, SHIELD
- Study yield vs. target and production solenoid parameters

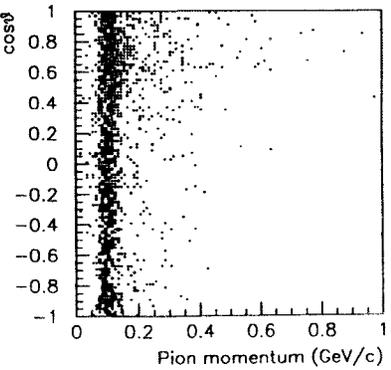
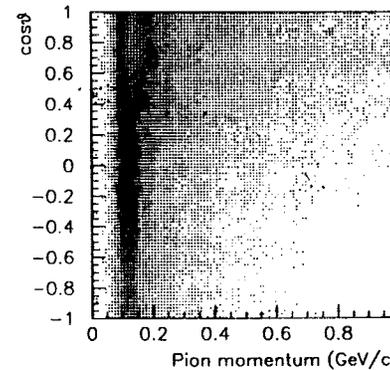
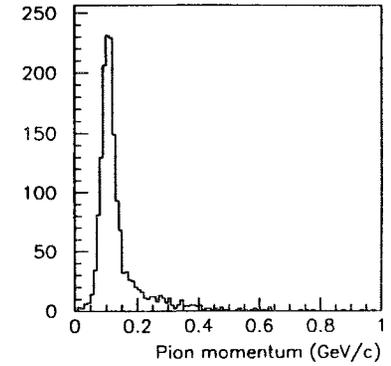
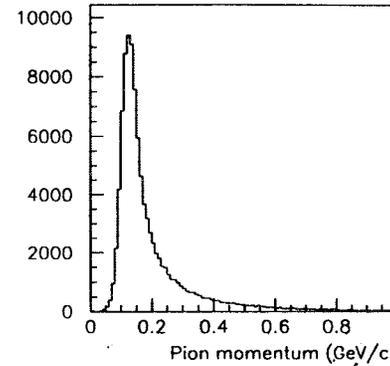
Hadron Code	Target Radius	Target Length	Target Angle	Pr. Sol. Radius	Tr. Sol. Radius	Total $\mu^-$	Stop $\mu^-$
GHEISHA	0.4 cm	16 cm	170°	30 cm	15 cm	1840	729
FLUKA						495	118
SHIELD						1983	563
GHEISHA				40 cm		1831	732
GHEISHA				20 cm		1597	662
GHEISHA					10 cm	585	410
GHEISHA	0.6 cm					1484	572
GHEISHA		20 cm				1784	717

From 1985  
7 or 8 years  
without momentum selection  
collimator



## Where are the Stopping Muons Produced?

- Pions which result in muons stopping in the target
- produced over wide range in angle
  - typically at 100 MeV/c

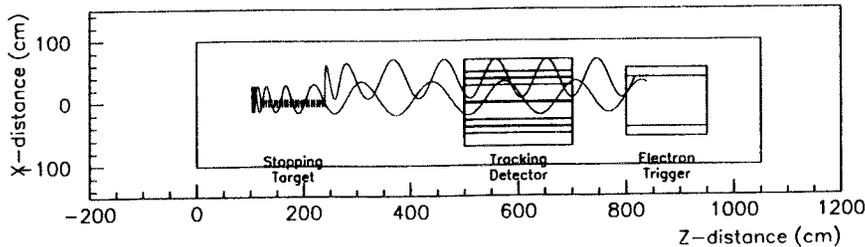
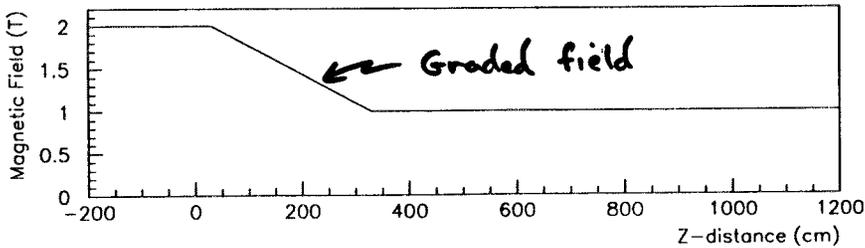
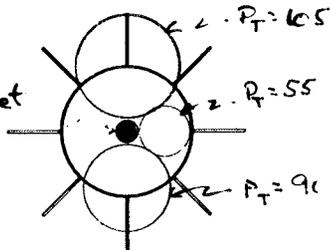


All pions

Pions which produce stopping  $\mu^-$

### Stopping Target, Solenoid and Detector

- Stopping target and detector in solenoid with graded field
- Stopping target – 25 layers of .02 cm aluminum
- Tracking detector consist of axial detectors
  - Cylinder is either 5 mm straws or 0.5  $\mu\text{m}$  scintillating fibers
  - Vanes are 5 mm straws (electrically semi-transparent)
  - Axial coordinate from cathode pads (straws) or stereo (fibers)
- Electron scintillator/calorimeter
  - Primarily used in trigger
  - Fully absorbing solid plastic scintillator

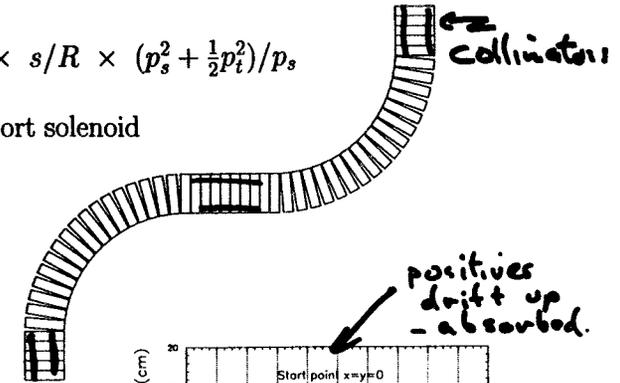


### Charge and Momentum Selection in Muon Transport

- Transport in curved solenoid results in drift  $\perp$  to bend plane

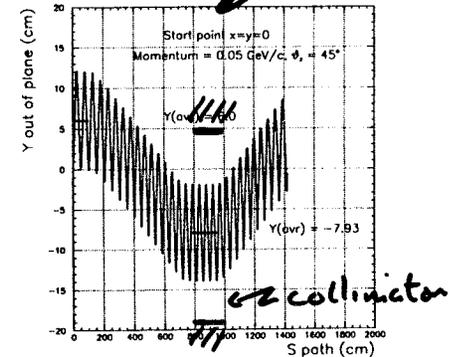
$$\text{Drift} = 1/(0.3B) \times s/R \times (p_s^2 + \frac{1}{2}p_t^2)/p_s$$

Curved muon transport solenoid



$D$  is drift distance  $\perp$  to bend plane  
 $B$  is magnetic field  
 $s/R$  is bend angle of solenoid  
 $p_t$  and  $p_s$  are  $\perp$  and  $\parallel$  momenta

for  $s/R = \pi/2$   $p_t = 0.035 \text{ GeV}/c$ ,  
 $p_s = 0.035 \text{ GeV}/c$ ,  $B = 2T$   
 $\Rightarrow D = 14 \text{ cm}$



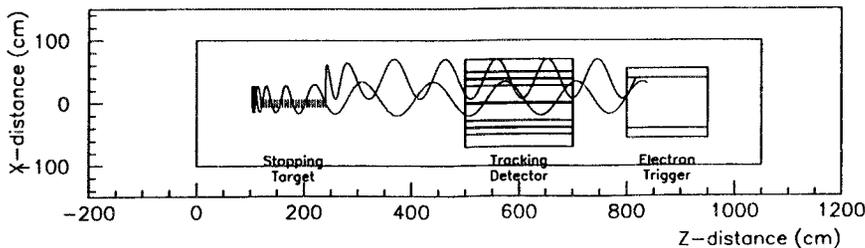
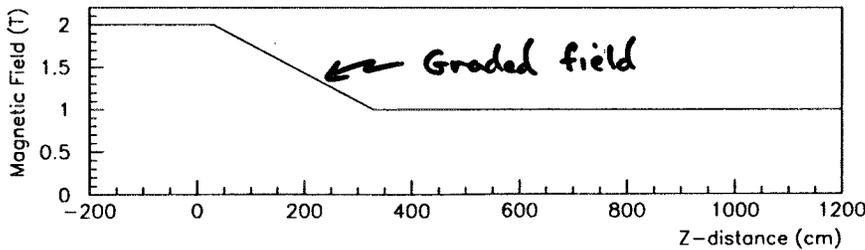
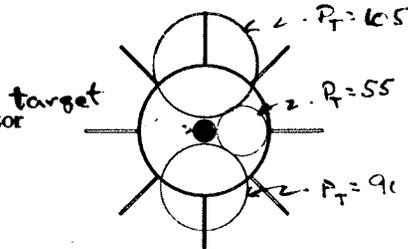
- Positive muons are absorbed in collimator after  $\pi/2$  bend – reduces rates in detectors
- Particles above 100 MeV/c are similarly absorbed – important for beam electron background rejection
- Particles returned to axis after second bend – maintains well collimated beam

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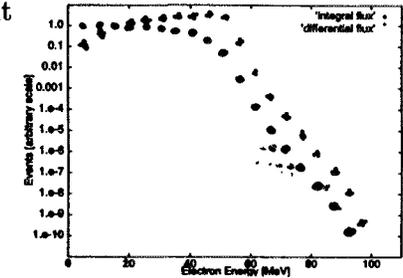
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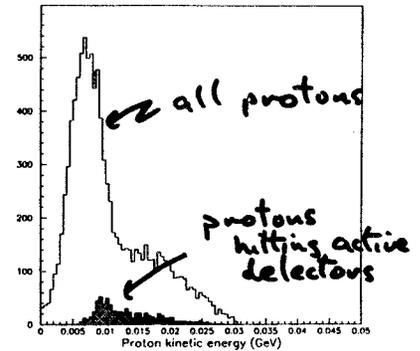
## Particle Flux Issues for Detectors

- Electrons from  $\mu^-$  decay in orbit
  - $E_{e^-} > 53 \text{ MeV}$
  - Trapped at small radii
  - $\sim 40 \text{ kHz}$  / channel



### • Protons from $\mu^-$ capture

- About  $10^{-2}$  per  $\mu^-$  capture
- Low kinetic energy
- High momentum
- Absorbed in target
- Absorbed in 0.1 mm  $\text{CH}_2$
- $\sim 150 \text{ kHz}$  / channel



### • Photons from $\mu^-$ capture

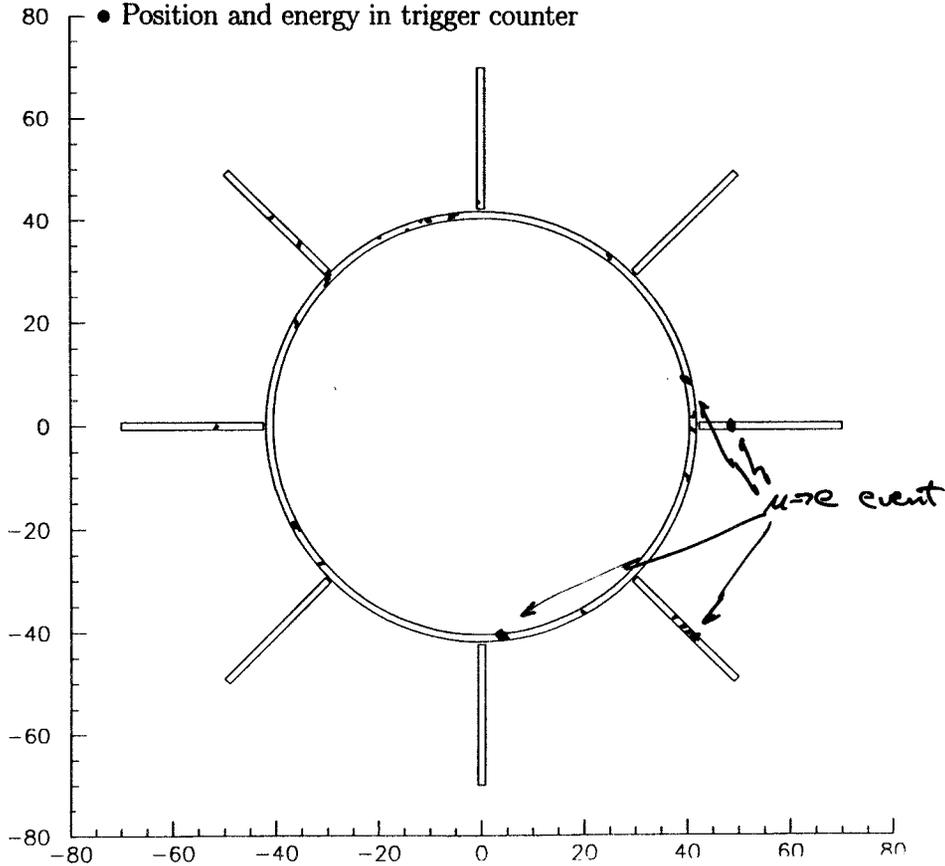
- About 2 per  $\mu^-$  capture
- Conversions in detector
- $\sim 100 \text{ kHz}$  / channel

### • Neutrons from $\mu^-$ capture

- Flash from stopping pulse – gate detector HV

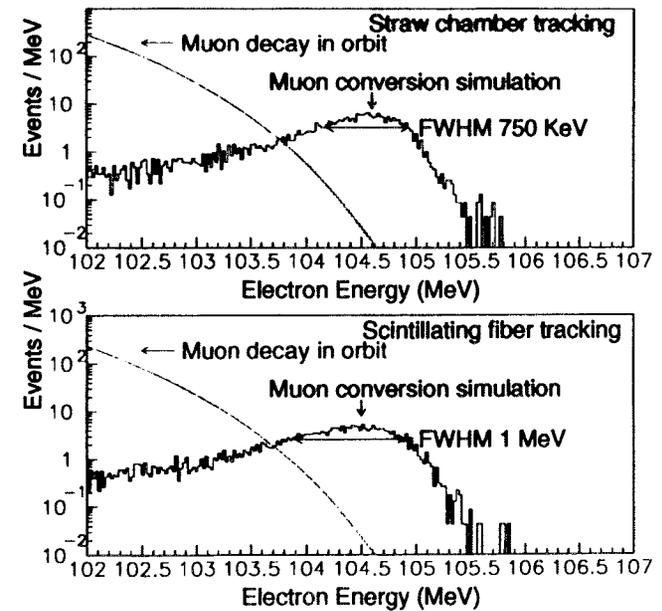
## Pattern Recognition and Pileup Issues

- Rates of order 200,000 per detector element
- Tracking detector integration time ( $\sim 30$  ns)
- Local information on track angle ( $\sim 50$  mrad)
- Local timing information ( $\sim 3$  ns)
- Position and energy in trigger counter



## MECO Detector Resolution Studies

- Important in eliminating  $\mu^-$  decay in orbit background
- Full GEANT simulation of detector response
  - Energy loss in target (large effect, low energy tail)
  - Multiple scattering (dominates intrinsic resolution)
  - Position resolution (small contribution)
- No pattern recognition, effects of noise not yet incorporated
- Electron energy fitted by maximum likelihood method
- Signal and background plotted for  $R_{\mu e} = 10^{-16}$



### Expected MECO Sensitivity

- Expect  $\sim 5 \mu^- N \rightarrow e^- N$  events for  $10^7$  s run,  $R_{\mu e} = 10^{-16}$

Running time (s)	$10^7$
Proton flux ( $s^{-1}$ )	$2 \times 10^{13}$
$\mu/p$ entering solenoid	$\rightarrow 0.012$
Stopping probability	0.37
$\mu$ capture probability	0.60
Fraction of $\mu$ which capture in time window	0.31-0.54
Electron trigger efficiency	0.90
Fitting and selection criteria	0.25
Detected events for $R_{\mu e} = 10^{-16}$	3.7-6.5

now 4-6 with  
0.7-1.0 s cycle time  
few  $\times 10^4$   
 $\mu/sec$

- Expect  $\sim 0.4$  background events for  $10^7$  s run,  $R_{\mu e} = 10^{-16}$

Source	Events	Comment
$\mu$ decay in orbit	0.190-0.330	$S/N = 20$ for $R_{\mu e} = 10^{-16}$
Radiative $\mu$ capture	$\ll 0.050$	
$\mu$ decay in flight	$< 0.003$	without scatter in target
$\mu$ decay in flight	0.004	with scatter in target
Radiative $\pi$ capture	0.007	from out of time protons
Radiative $\pi$ capture	0.014	from late arriving $\pi$
$\pi$ decay in flight	$\ll 0.001$	
Beam electrons	$< 0.020$	$\leftarrow$ further suppressed by 0.1
Cosmic ray induced	0.004	$10^{-4}$ CR veto inefficiency
Total background	0.290-0.410	

### Possible MECO Timeline

Scientific approval	October 1997
HEPAP recommendation to proceed	March 1998
Detector prototypes	1998 - 1999
Pulsed extraction tests	summer 1998
Beam emittance tests	fall 1998
Kicker prototype tests	fall 1998
Solenoid design	early 1999
Technical design	mid 1999
Detector and beam construction	1999-2001
Pulsed beam tests	early 2000
First muon beam	early 2001
Physics data	late 2001

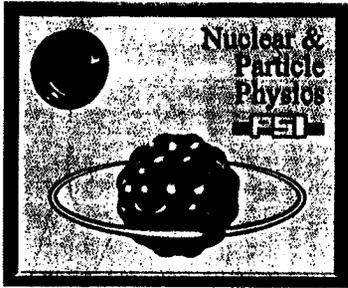
## Summary and Prospects

The MECO  $\mu^- N \rightarrow e^- N$  experiment can make a major advance in searching for muon and electron number violation

- There is a robust discover potential in many scenarios for physics beyond the Standard Model, e.g. supersymmetry
- A new high intensity pulsed muon beam has been designed using the BNL AGS operating at up to  $4 \times 10^{13}$  p/s
- A detector with high acceptance and good background rejection has been described
- A new experiment –BNL E940–has been approved to search for  $\mu^- N \rightarrow e^- N$  with sensitivity below  $10^{-16}$
- Executing the experiment will depend on a commitment by the DOE to operate the AGS for particle physics
- The Gilman HEPAP subpanel is charged with recommending the level of support for particle physics research at the AGS



**A  $\mu \rightarrow e + \gamma$  experiment with  $10^{-14}$  sensitivity?**



4<sup>th</sup> Int. Conf. on  
Physics Potential and  
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 $\mu^+ \mu^-$  Colliders  
Dec. 10 - 12, 1997  
San Francisco

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Why  $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$  and why at PSI ?



General detector considerations



Specific detector proposals



Future plans

**Experiments to probe Supersymmetric GUT**

"Violations of lepton flavour and CP in supersymmetric unified theories"

R. Barbieri, L. Hall and A. Strumia, Nucl. Phys. B 445 (1995) 219,  
and R. Barbieri et al., Erice- and Gran Sasso workshops 1995

**Abstract**

As a consequence of the large top quark Yukawa coupling, the supersymmetric unified theories with soft supersymmetry breaking terms generated at the Planck scale predict lepton flavour and CP violating processes with significant rates.

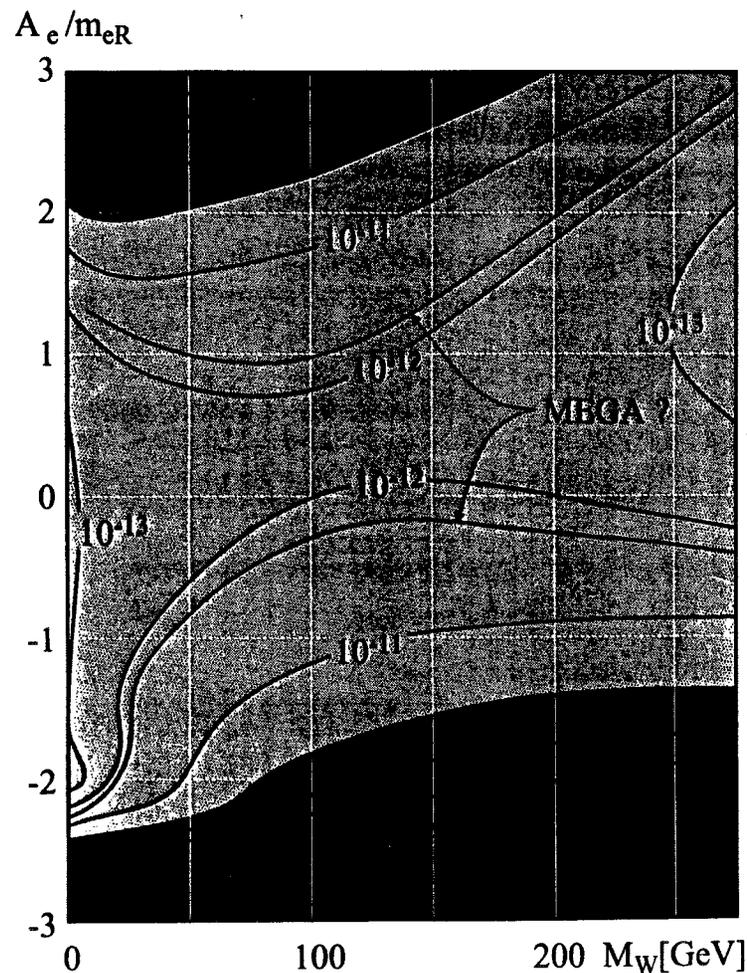
The flavour violating parameters of the low energy theory are derived in both SU(5) and SO(10) theories, and are used to calculate the rate for  $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$ . The sensitivity of the search for  $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$  is compared with that for  $\mu - e$  conversion in atoms,  $\tau \rightarrow \mu \gamma$  and the electric dipole moment of the electron. The experimental search for these processes is shown to provide a very significant test of supersymmetric unification, especially in SO(10) but also in SU(5).

	SU(5)	SO(10)	MSSM	
$\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$	●	●	●	very important search
$\mu - e$ conv.	●	●	●	important search
$\tau \rightarrow \mu \gamma$	●	●	●	important search
$d_e$		●	●	dominant constraint on parameters
$d_n$		●	●	dominant constraint on parameters
$\epsilon'/\epsilon$		●	●	dominant constraint on parameters
$\epsilon_B$		●	●	dominant constraint on parameters
$\epsilon_K$	●	●	●	constraint on parameters
$\Delta m_B$	●	●	●	constraint on parameters
$b \rightarrow s \gamma$	●	●	●	constraint on parameters

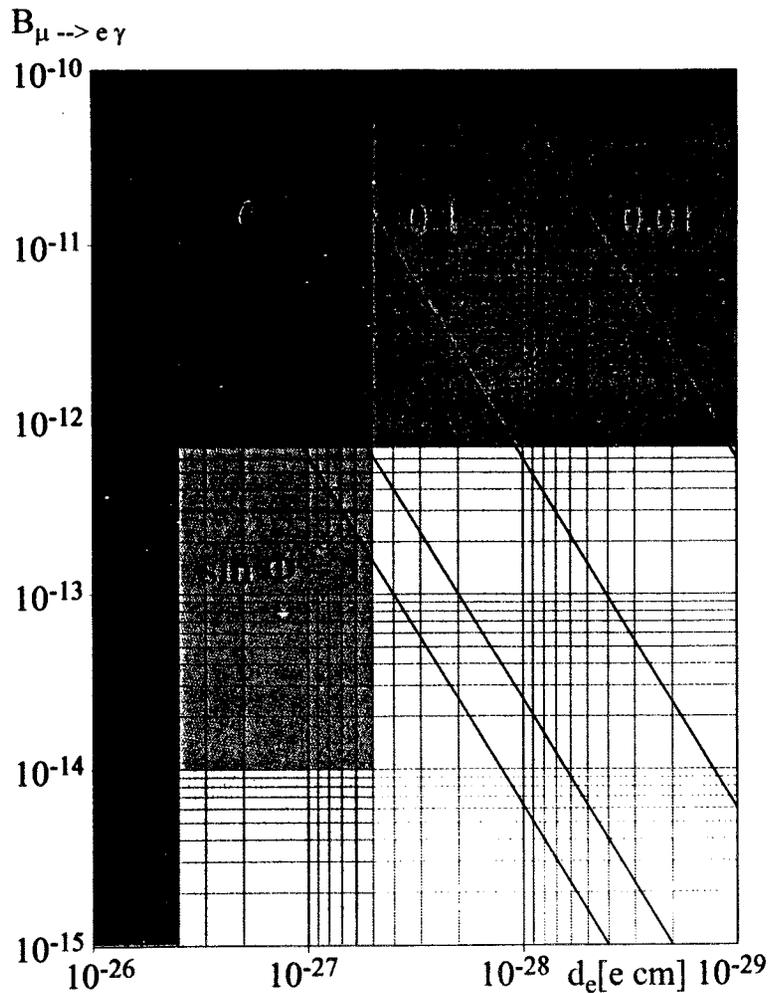
Recent theory papers on  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$

- R. Barbieri et al. Nuclear Phys. B 445 (1995) 219  
 "Violations of lepton flavour and CP in supersymmetric unified theories"  
 $B(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) = 10^{(-13 \pm 1)}$
- J. Hisano et al. Phys. Rev. D 53 (1996) 2442  
 "Lepton-flavour violation via right-handed neutrino Yukawa couplings in the supersymmetric standard model"  
 $B(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) \leq 10^{-11}$
- Y. Kuno and Y. Okada KEK-TH-478, April 1996  
 "μ → eγ Search with Polarized Muons"  
 Reduction of accidental background
- B. de Carlos et al. Phys. Rev. D 53 (1996) 6398  
 "Constraints on supersymmetric theories from μ → eγ"  
 $(\text{gaugino mass})^2 / \mu\text{-e mass mixing} \gg 34 \text{ TeV}$
- M.E. Gomez and H. Goldberg Phys. Rev. D 53 (1996) 5244  
 "Lepton flavor violation in SUSY SO(10) with predictive Yukawa texture"  
 $B(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) = 10^{(-12 \pm 2)}$

B.R. ( $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ ) in SO (10) (Barbieri et al.)



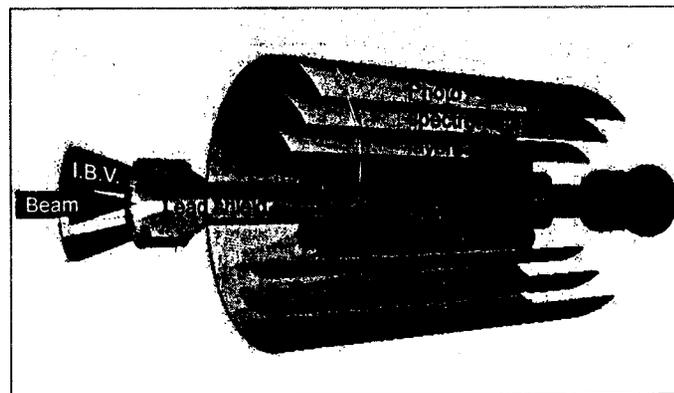
$\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$  versus  $d_e$  (Barbieri et al.)

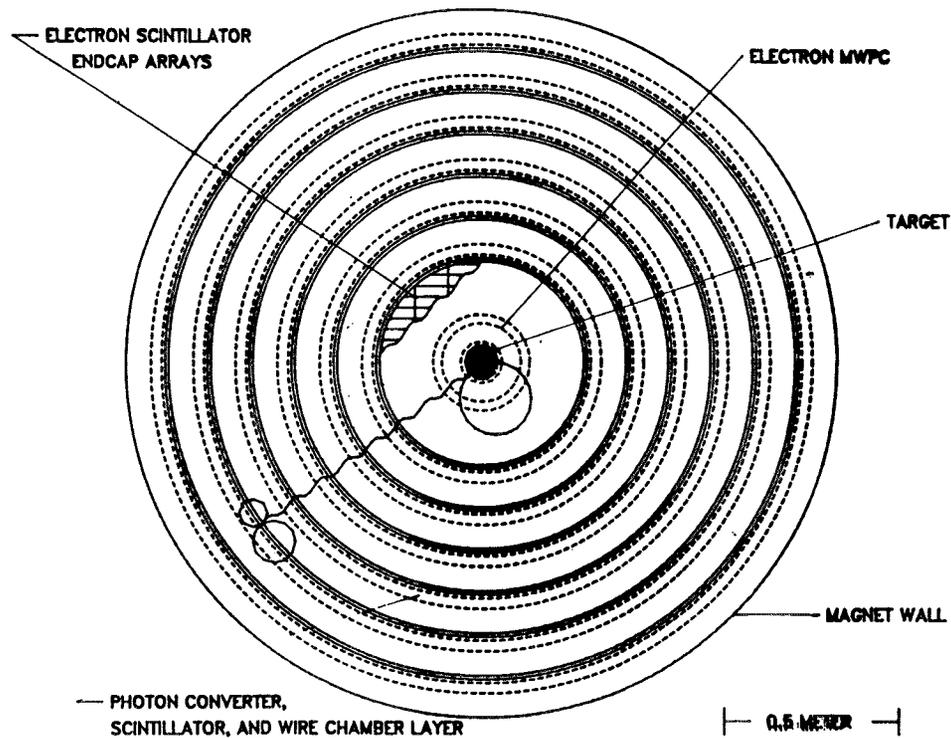


The MEGA (search for  $\mu \rightarrow e + \gamma$ ) experiment at LAMPF

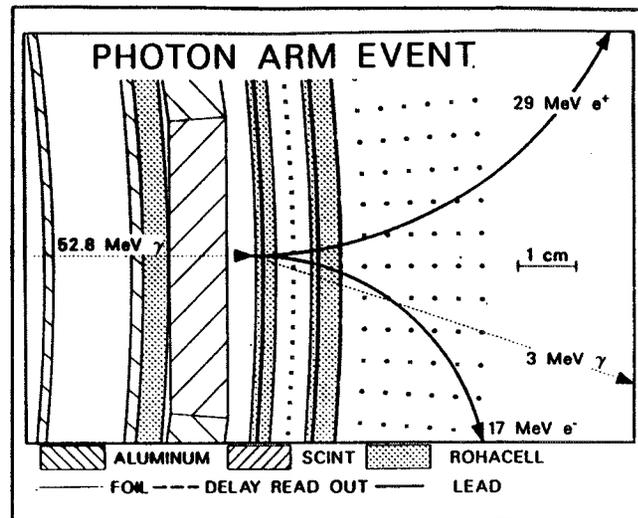


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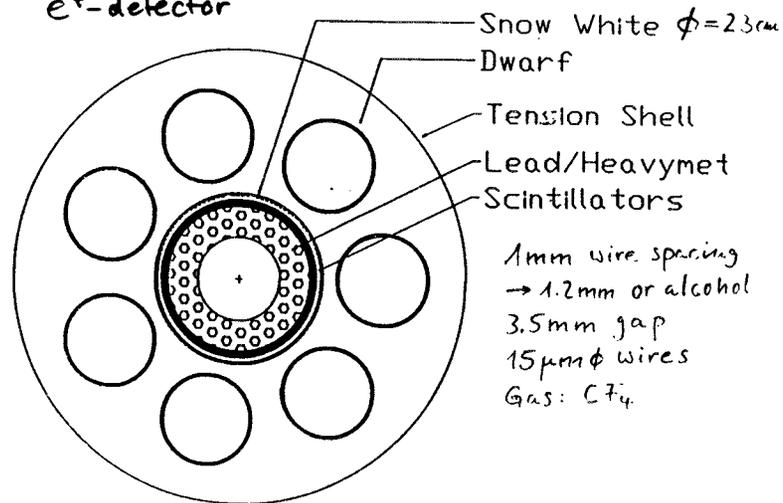




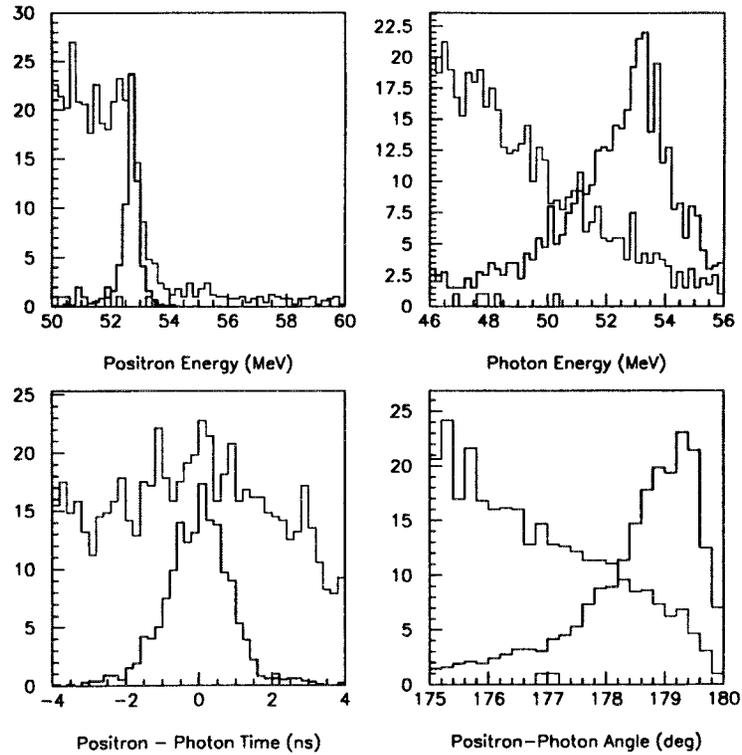
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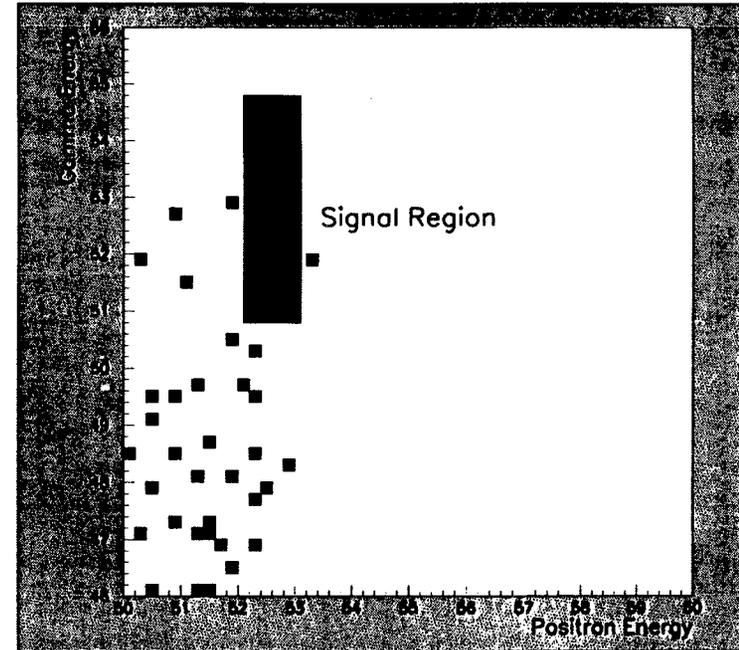
$e^+$ -detector



## Results from MEGA



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Results from ~16 % of data  
 $BR_{90\%}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) < 3.8 \times 10^{-11}$

compare to current world limit from crystal box

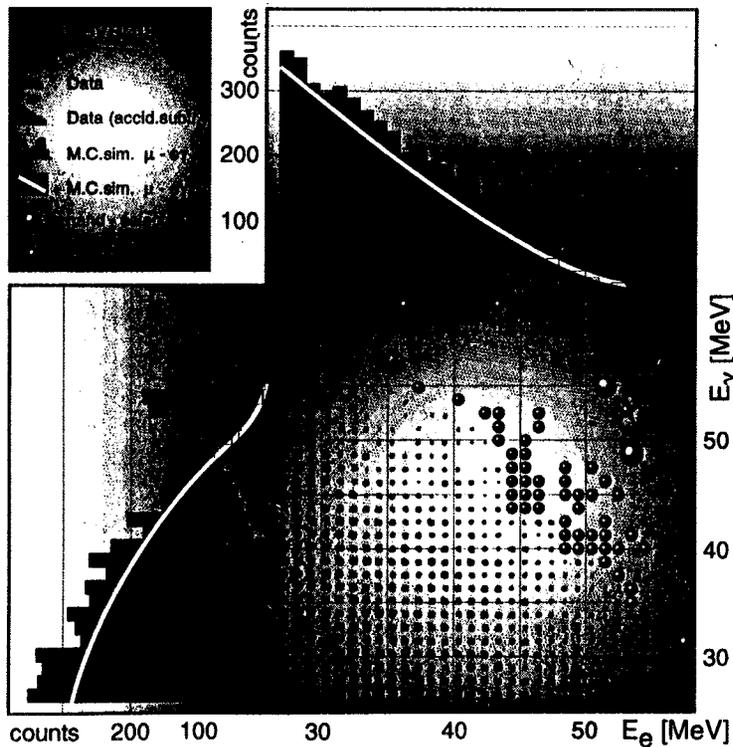
$BR_{90\%}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) < 4.9 \times 10^{-11}$

Expectation from all MEGA data

$BR_{90\%}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) < 3-6 \times 10^{-12}$   
 or evidence for the decay

The famous  $\mu - e\gamma$  experiment at SIN

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_{\mu - e\gamma} &< 10^{-9} && \text{(SIN 1978)} \\
 &< 5 \cdot 10^{-11} && \text{(X-tal Box LAMPF)} \\
 &5 \cdot 10^{-13} && \text{(MEGA LAMPF)}
 \end{aligned}$$


 Sensitivity and background for  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ 

Single event sensitivity:

$$B_{\mu \rightarrow e\gamma}^{\text{sing.event}} = (N_\mu \cdot T \cdot \frac{\Omega}{4\pi} \cdot \epsilon_e \cdot \epsilon_\gamma \cdot f_{\text{pol}} \cdot \epsilon_{\text{cut}}^5)^{-1}$$

- $N_\mu$  = muon stop rate
- $T$  = measuring time
- $\Omega$  = solid angle
- $\epsilon_i$  = efficiencies
- $f_{\text{pol}}$  = gain factor for polarized muons

Physical background:

$$B_{\mu \rightarrow e\gamma\nu\bar{\nu}}^{\text{phys}} = 5.8 \cdot 10^{-4} \cdot (\delta x)^2 \cdot \delta y \cdot [\delta y + \frac{\delta x}{3}] \cdot (\delta z)^2$$

- $x = 2E_e/m_\mu$
  - $y = 2E_\gamma/m_\mu$
  - $z = \pi - \theta_{e\gamma}$
  - $\delta$  = signal box half width
- $$\delta x_i = \frac{1}{2} \cdot (\Delta x_i)_{\text{cut}}^{\epsilon_{\text{cut}} - 0.9} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1.4 \cdot \Delta x_i^{\text{FWHM}}$$

Accidental background:

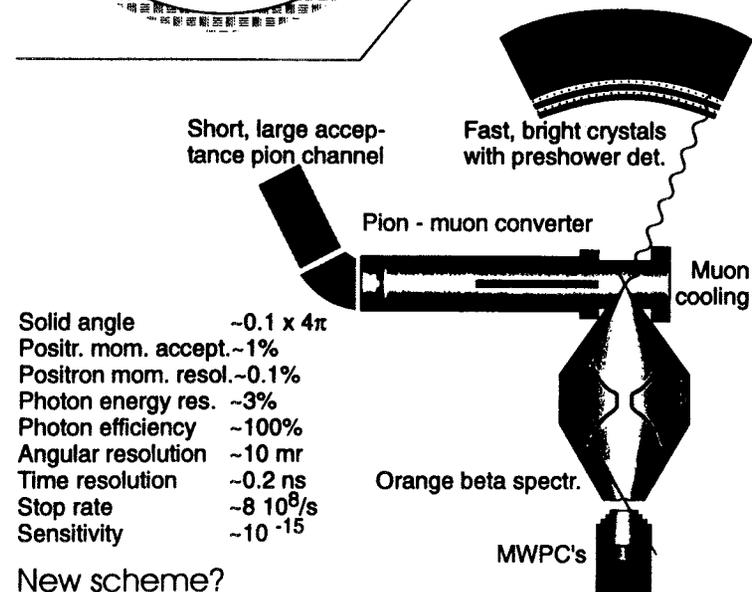
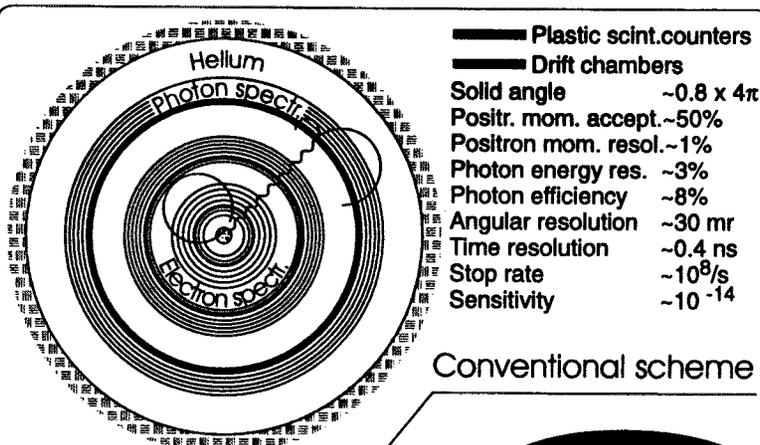
$$B^{\text{acc}} = R_\mu \cdot f_e^0 \cdot f_g^0 \cdot (\frac{\delta\omega}{4\pi})^2 \cdot 2\delta t \cdot \epsilon_{\text{cut}}^{-5}$$

With

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_e^0 &= 2\delta x \\
 f_\gamma^0 &= \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \cdot (\delta y)^2 \cdot (\ln \delta y + 7.33) \\
 &= 1.16 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot (\delta y)^2 \cdot (\ln \delta y + 7.33) \\
 \frac{\delta\omega}{4\pi} &= \frac{\pi(\theta_{e\gamma})^2}{4\pi} = \frac{(\theta_{e\gamma})^2}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

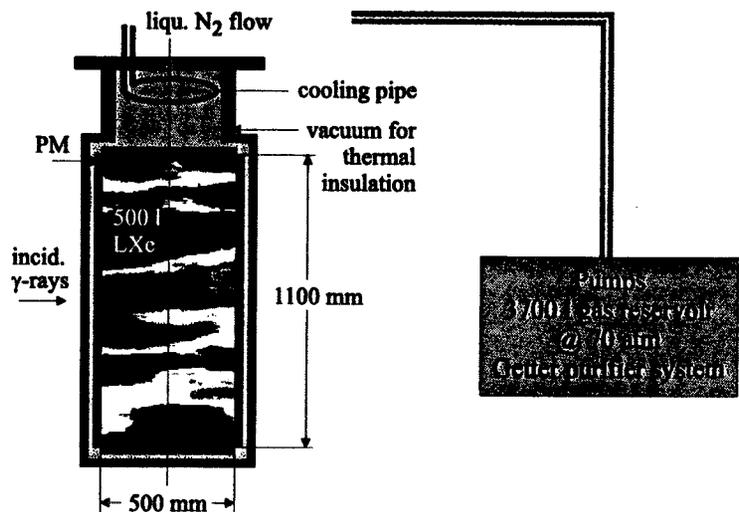
$$B^{\text{acc}} = R_\mu \cdot \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \cdot \delta x \cdot (\delta y)^2 \cdot (\ln \delta y + 7.33) \cdot (\delta\theta)^2 \cdot 2\delta t \cdot \epsilon_{\text{cut}}^{-5}$$

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Schemes for  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$  experimentsCharacteristics of the  $\pi E5$  channel at PSI

Solid angle $\Omega$	150 msr
Length L	10.5 m
Resolution $\delta p/p$	1.5 %
Momentum band $\Delta p/p$	10 % FWHM
Max. momentum $p_{\max}$	120 MeV/c
Spot size for pions	
x	= 1.5 cm FWHM
y	= 2.0 cm "
x'	= 300 mrad "
y'	= 100 mrad "
Spot size for muons	
x	= 3.1 cm FWHM
y	= 3.3 cm "
x'	= 300 mrad "
y'	= 100 mrad "

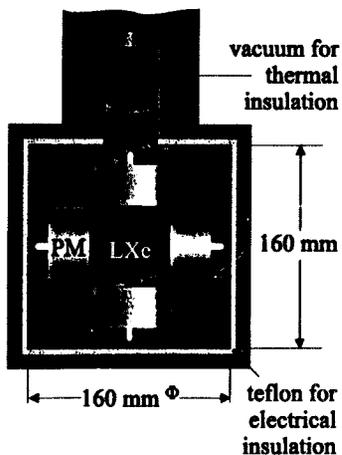
**LXe calorimeter for  $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$ , R&D (T. Doke)**



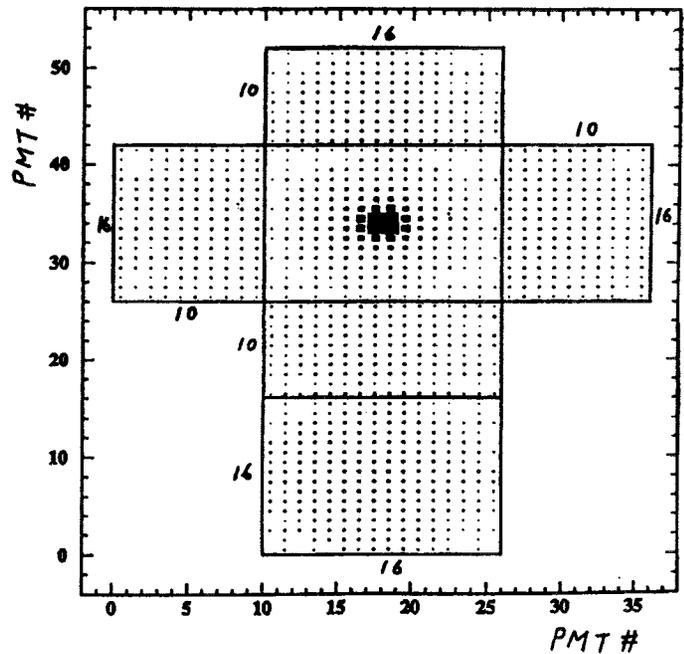
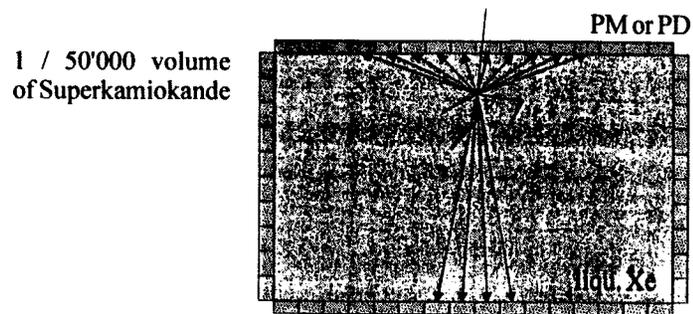
**VUV Sensitive Photomultiplier R6041Q**

Diameter: 2"  
 Height: 1.6"  
 Dynode: Metal Channel Diodes  
 Photo-cathode: Sb - Rb - Cs \*  
 diameter: 1.8"  
 Quantum eff.: 0.1 \*\* for 175 nm

\* This is the same as used in R 1668, so this multiplier can be operated at liquid Xe temperature  
 \*\* This value includes the absorption effect due to the quartz window.

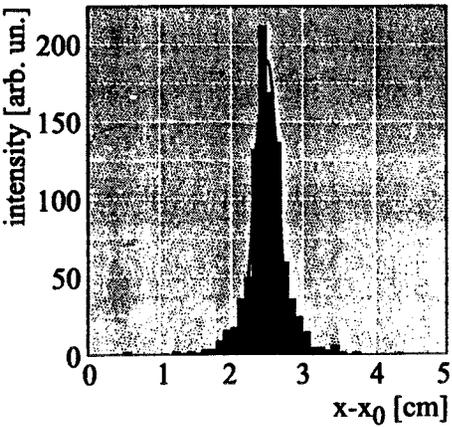
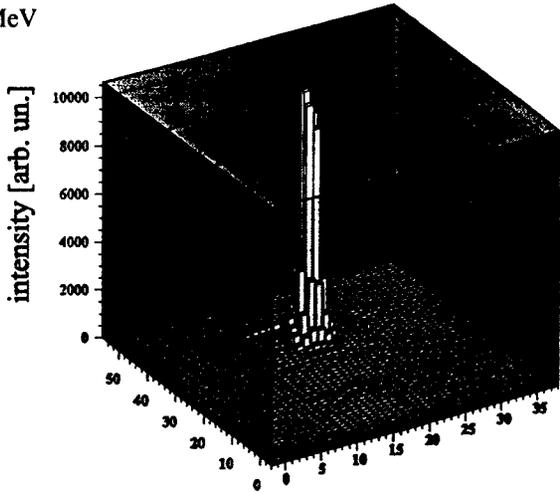


**"Min - Kam" liqu. Xe cal. for  $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$  (S. Orito)**



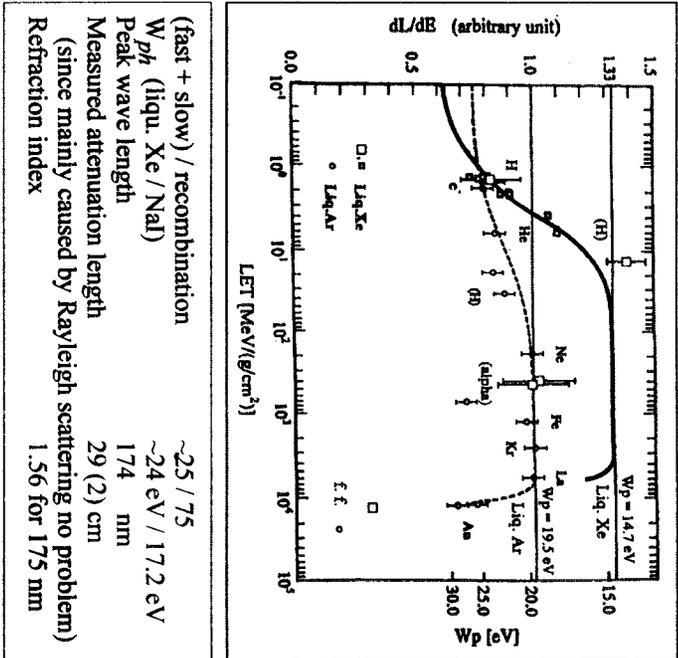
50 MeV photon in Min - Kam (S. Orito)

Trial event 50 MeV



x-resolution by crude weighted mean for 5" x 5" PMT  
 $\sigma_x = 1.7$  mm  
 FWHM = 4 mm  
 (will improve by proper fitting algorithm)

Physical Properties of Liquid Xe	
Atomic number	54
Atomic weight	131.3
Boiling point at 1 bar	165 K
Melting point at 1 bar	161 K
Temperature at triple point	161.4 K
Pressure at triple point	612.2 Torr
Liquid density	3.0 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Solid density	3.4 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
W-value	15.6 eV
$W_{ph}$ -value	24.0 eV
for 1 MeV electrons	
Decay time constants:	
$\tau_f$ (fast component)	4.2 ns
$\tau_s$ (slow component)	22.0 ns
$\tau_r$ (recombination)	45 ns
Ratio of scintillation from direct excited atoms to that from recombination	0.25
Attenuation length of scintillation light	30 cm

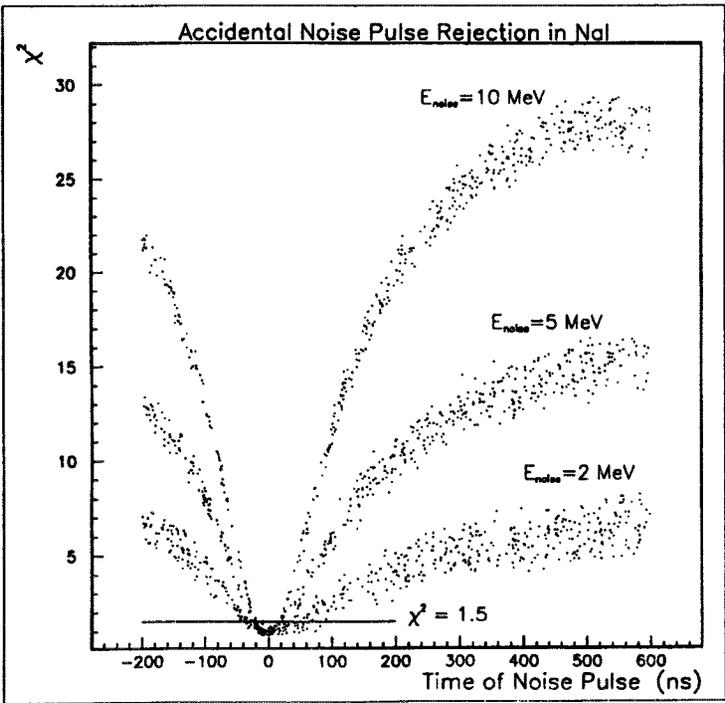
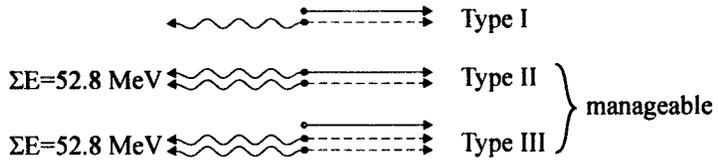


(fast + slow) / recombination  
 $W_{ph}$  (liq. Xe / NaI) ~25 / 75  
 Peak wave length ~24 eV / 17.2 eV  
 Measured attenuation length 174 nm  
 (since mainly caused by Rayleigh scattering no problem)  
 Refraction index 29 (2) cm  
 1.56 for 175 nm

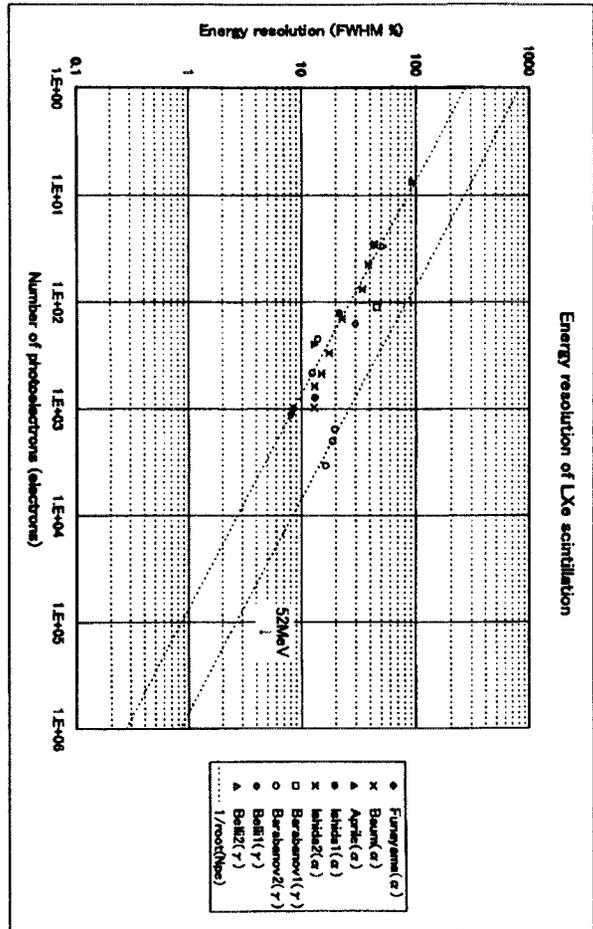
Liquid Xe Scintillation Calorimeter for  $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$  Decay (T. Doke)

## Photon detection, granularity, pile-up (R.Marlow)

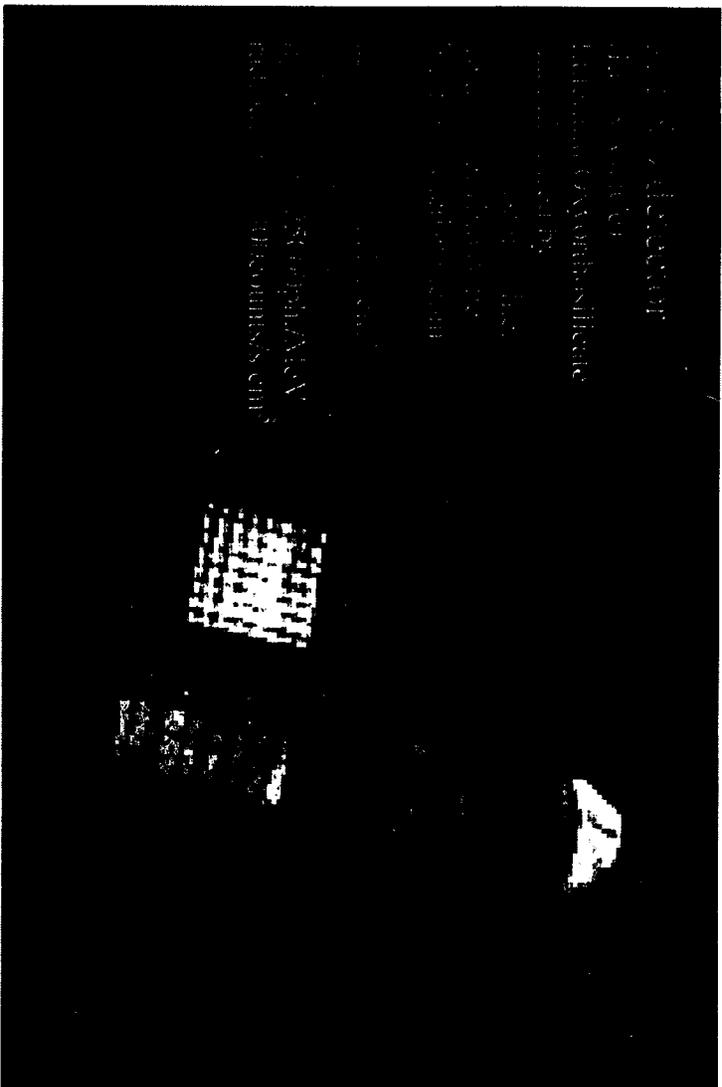
Tower geometry: position resol.  $\sim 1$  cm  
 Pile-up rej.  $\sim 0.1 \tau$  by waveform analysis



Estimated energy resolution for 52 MeV gamma - rays is  $\sim 2.5\%$  (FWHM), where  $Q_{eff} = 0.1$  and light collection = 0.5 are assumed



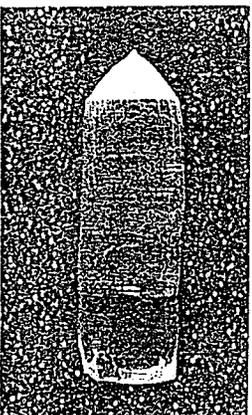
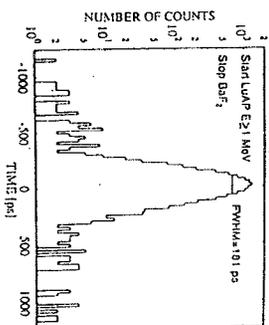
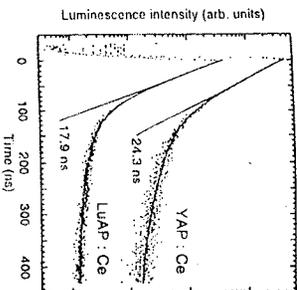
Energy resolution of liquid Xe (T. Doke)



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# Crystal properties

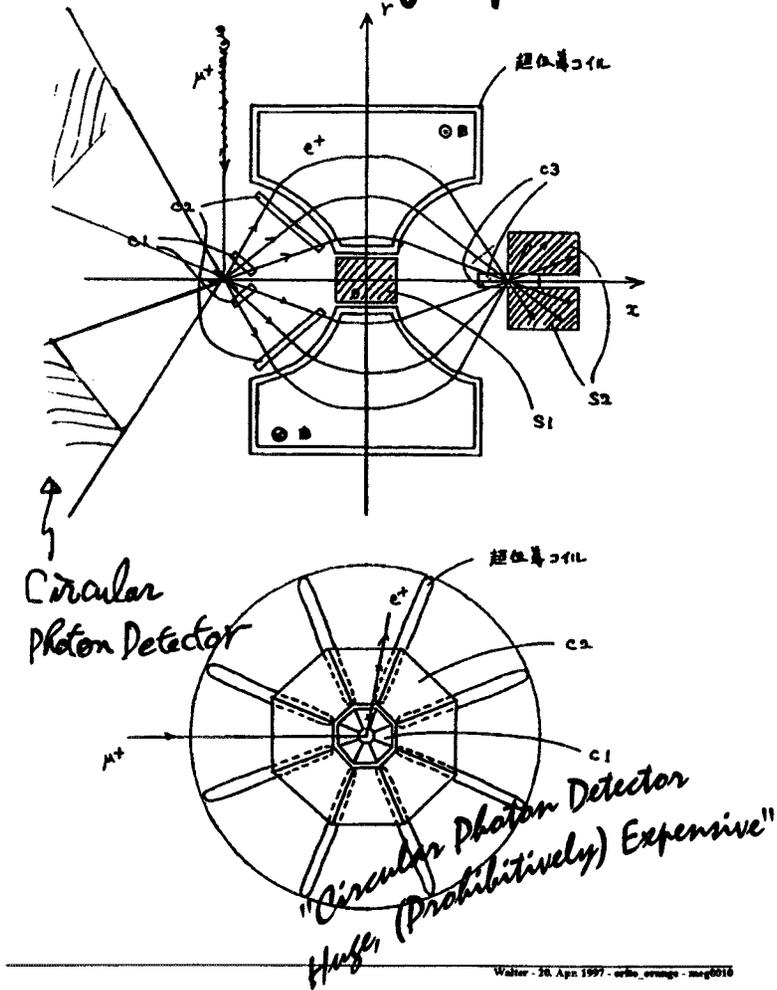
	γ energy									
	YAP	LuAP	LuAP	ISO	GSO	BGO	NaI(Tl)			
Ce concentration	10 <sup>-3</sup>	10	0.35	1.05	2.2	23	10			
light yield	ph/keV	14	12	23	23	9	9			
fall time	ns	24	17	16	47	41	300			
density	g/cm <sup>3</sup>	5.5	8.4	8.4	7.4	6.7	7.1	3.7		
peak wave length	nm	380	365	365	420	430	480	415		
energy resolution	10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.66	7.2	6.5	7.9	7.8	9.3	6.5		
time resolution	ns	1	0.3	0.25	0.16	0.16	0.7	1	0.35	
mass att. length	cm	0.51	MeV	2.63	1.05	1.05	1.38	1.11	3.05	
refractive index		1.94	1.94	1.94	1.82	1.85	2.15	1.85		



2"

Orange Spectrometer for  $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$  (S. Orito)

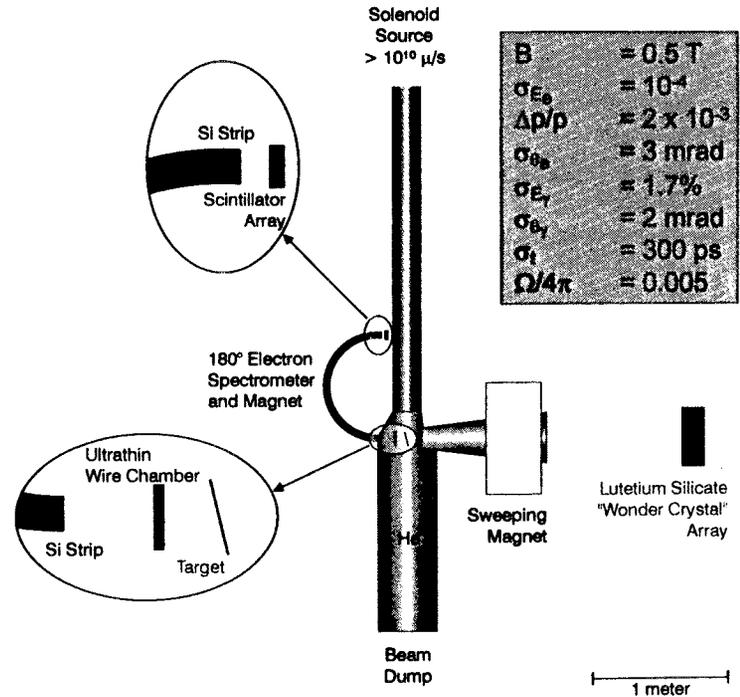
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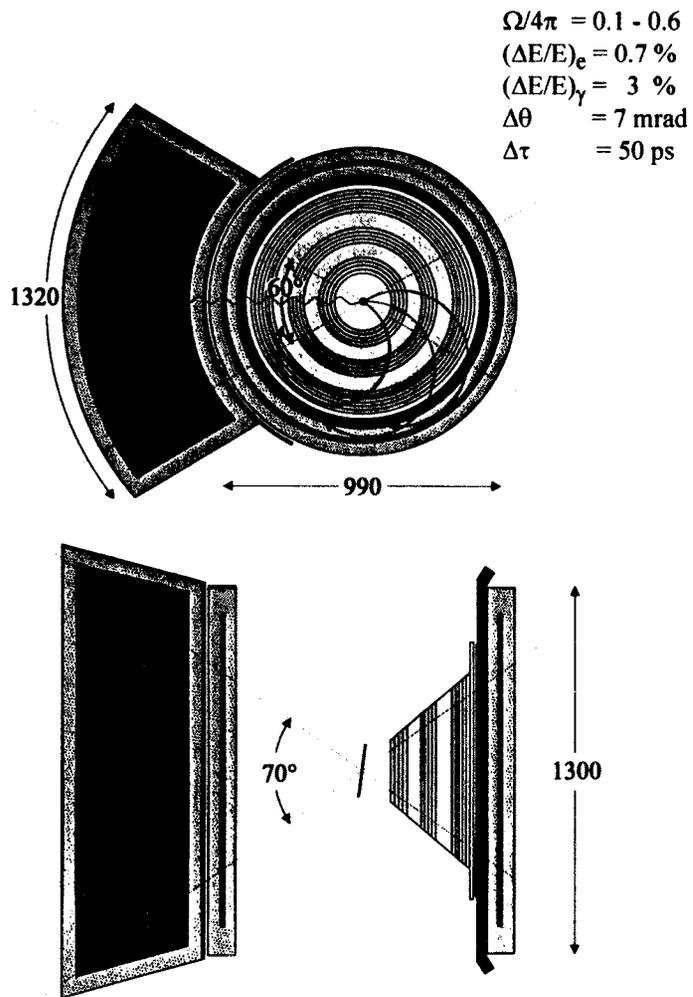
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New Proposal for  $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$   
by M. Cooper (Los Alamos)

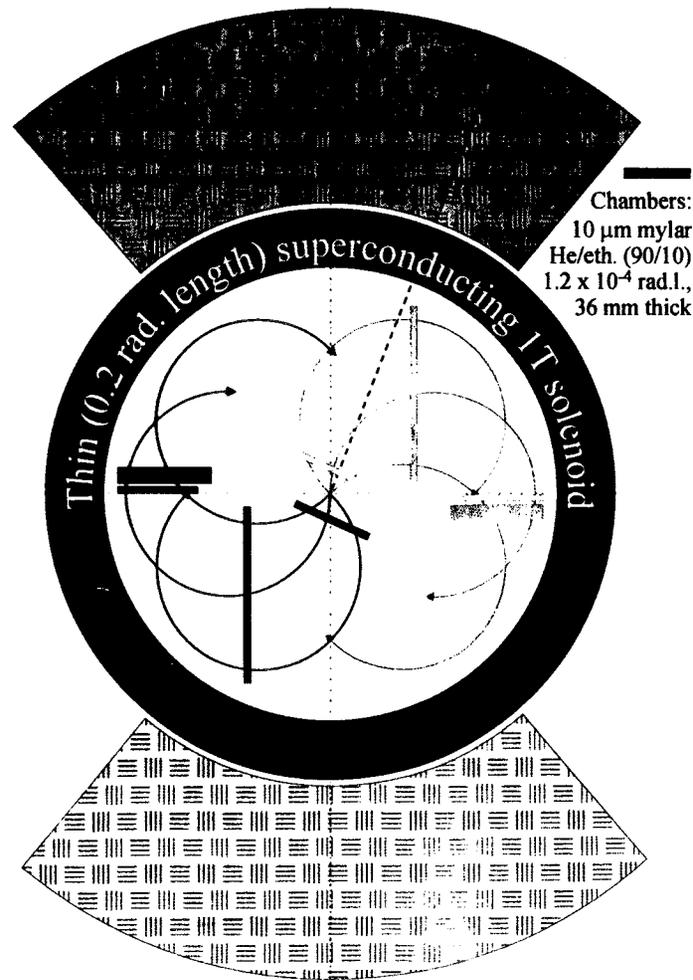
Schematic Layout for a new  
 $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma$  Experiment



Possible  $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$  set-up (S. Orito)



Possible  $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$  set-up (A. Maki)



$\mu - e\gamma$  III (LAMPF) [ at  $10^{-12}$  ]

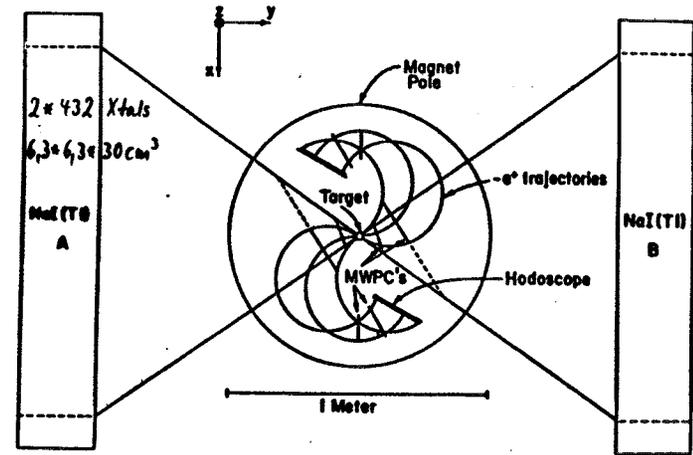
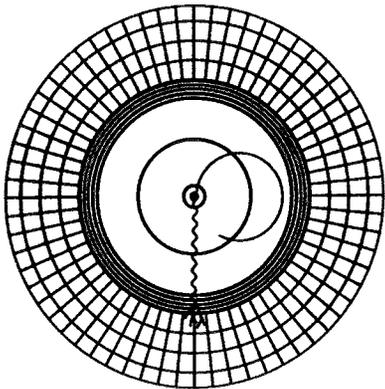
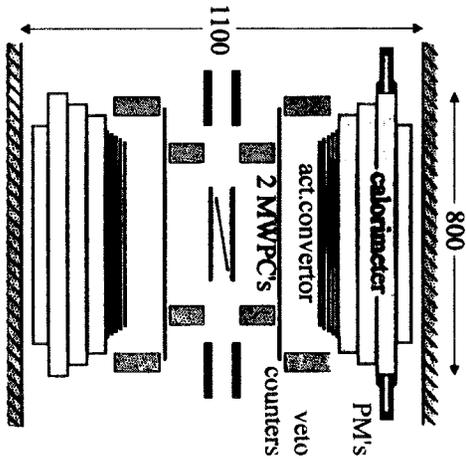
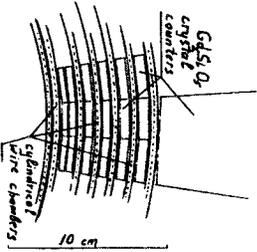


Fig. 14. Design of the future LAMPF  $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma$  (III) experiment.

Acceptance	16%
Stop rate	$2.5 \cdot 10^7$ average
$\Delta E_x / E_x$	4%
$\Delta E_e / E_e$	0.6%
$\Delta t$	0.7 ns

Set-up (MEG - 14M) to search for  $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$  (S. Korenchenko)

$\Omega = 2\pi$  sterad  
 $B = 1.5$  T  
 $E_{\text{cal}}: 14.8$  R.L.  
 $Gd_2SiO_5:Ce$   
 $370$  l, 2.5 tons  
 Active Converter:  
 $2$  R.L.  $\sim 5$  layers  
 $26$  l,  $174$  kg  
 $1152$  P.M. or APD  
 MWPC's:  $7$   
 $10000$  wires  
 $7000$  strips



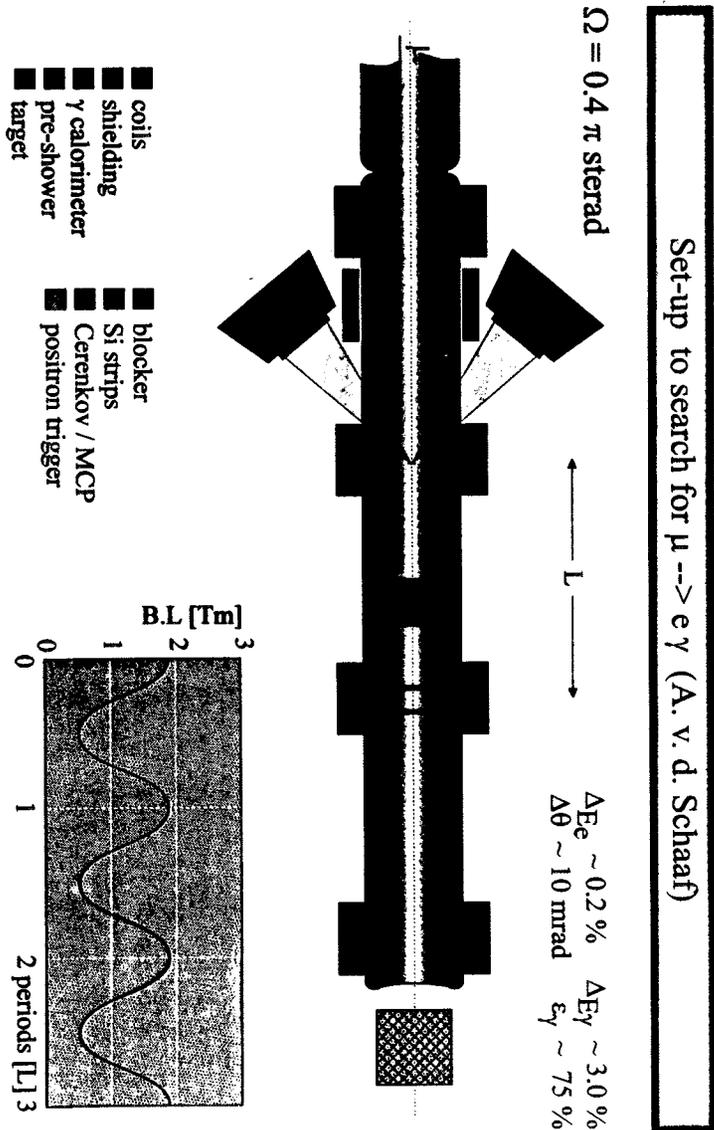
$\Delta E_e \sim 0.7\%$      $\Delta E_\gamma \sim 3.5\%$   
 $\Delta \theta \sim 18$  mrad     $\epsilon_\gamma \sim 75\%$

Possible Participants in a LoI at PSI

Possible Collaborators

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Tadayoshi Doke	Waseda University
Spartak Korenchenko	Dubna
Yoshitaka Kuno	KEK
Akihiro Maki	KEK
David Mzavia	Tbilisi
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Shuji Tanaka, Kazuhiro Terazawa, Koji Yoshimura



## Conclusions

■ A new  $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$  experiment (together with  $\mu - e$  conversion and the EDM of the neutron) is recommended by many theorists as one of the most promising low energy tests to see supersymmetric unification and undoubtedly has high priority

■ It has to have a sensitivity of  $\sim 10^{-14}$  in order to be sufficiently decisive

■ It can be done with the required sensitivity at the edge of present day technology and with the existing  $\pi E5$  beam at PSI

■ Best energy, angular and time resolutions are required for the detector in order to overcome the main accidental background

■ These best performances probably will forbid a  $4\pi$  detector from price arguments, therefore the intrinsic efficiency of the photon side should be high, suggesting a calorimeter

■ Ce doped highly luminous crystals or liquid Xe/Kr are being studied and a photon resolution of 2-3 % FWHM at 50 MeV is strived for

■ The positron (magnetic) spectrometer should have  $< 0.5\%$  energy resolution (FWHM) at 50 MeV/c and a limited momentum acceptance

■ Positron polarization and inner bremsstrahlung vetos should be exploited as far as possible

■ There is still room for good ideas, good R&D on new crystals and liquids and good collaborators

■ There will be competition (complementation) from  $\mu - e$  conversion (BNL) and EDM of the neutron (LANSCE and PSI)

## Conclusions R. Barbieri

What if  $\mu \rightarrow e \gamma$  is not seen at a few  $\times 10^{-14}$  level?

■ Supersymmetric unification is false

or

■ Accelerator searches of SUSY particles reoriented:

$\gamma$ 's from "LSP" - decays

"stable" charged tracks rather than huge missing E

