

# The COMET experiment

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# Outline

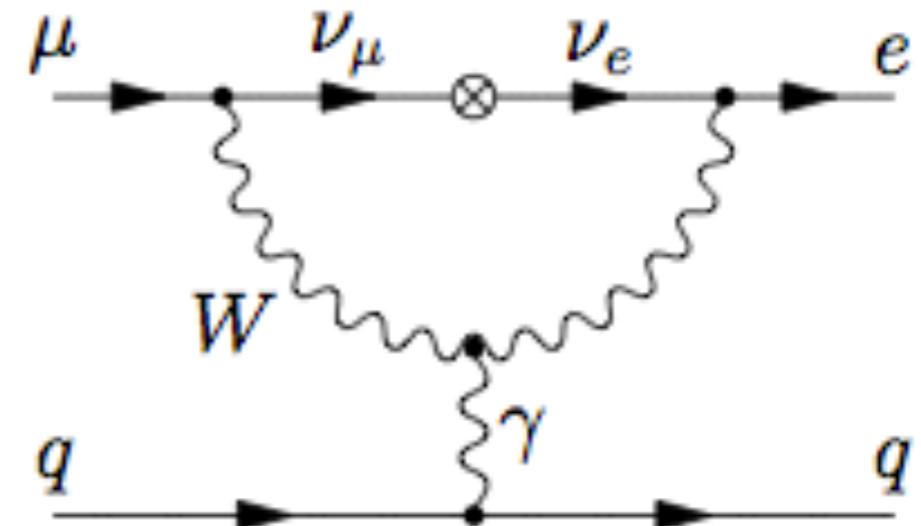
- Introduction
- Status and Plan of the COherent Muon-to-Electron Transition (COMET) experiment at J-PARC
- Future prospect of COMET
- Summary

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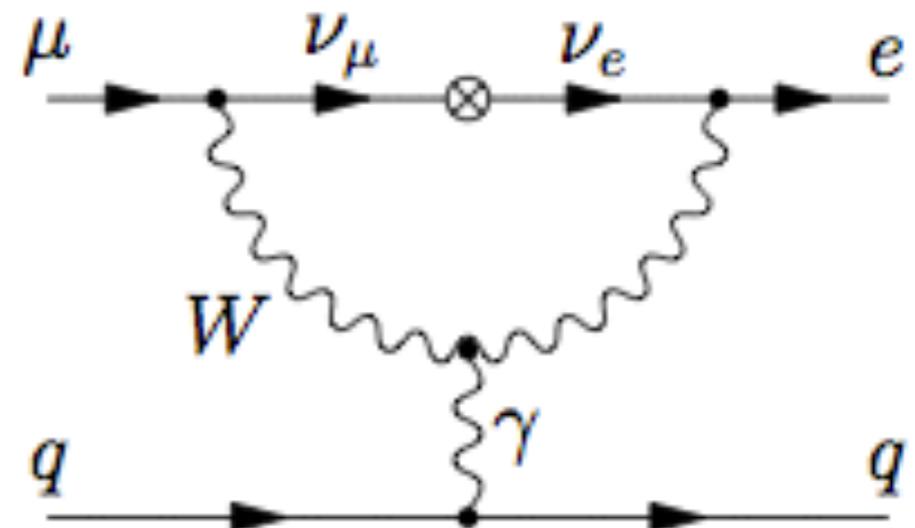
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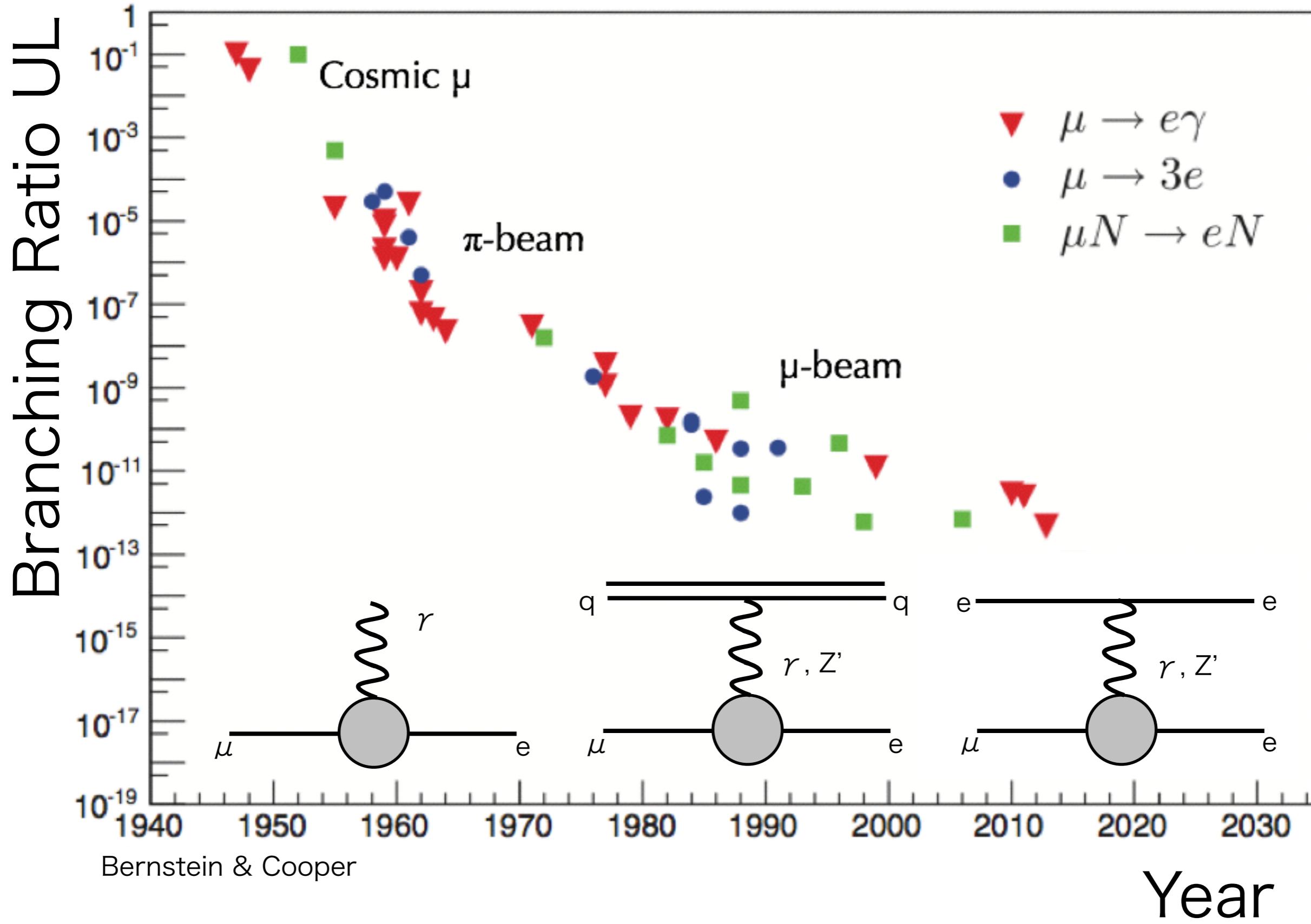
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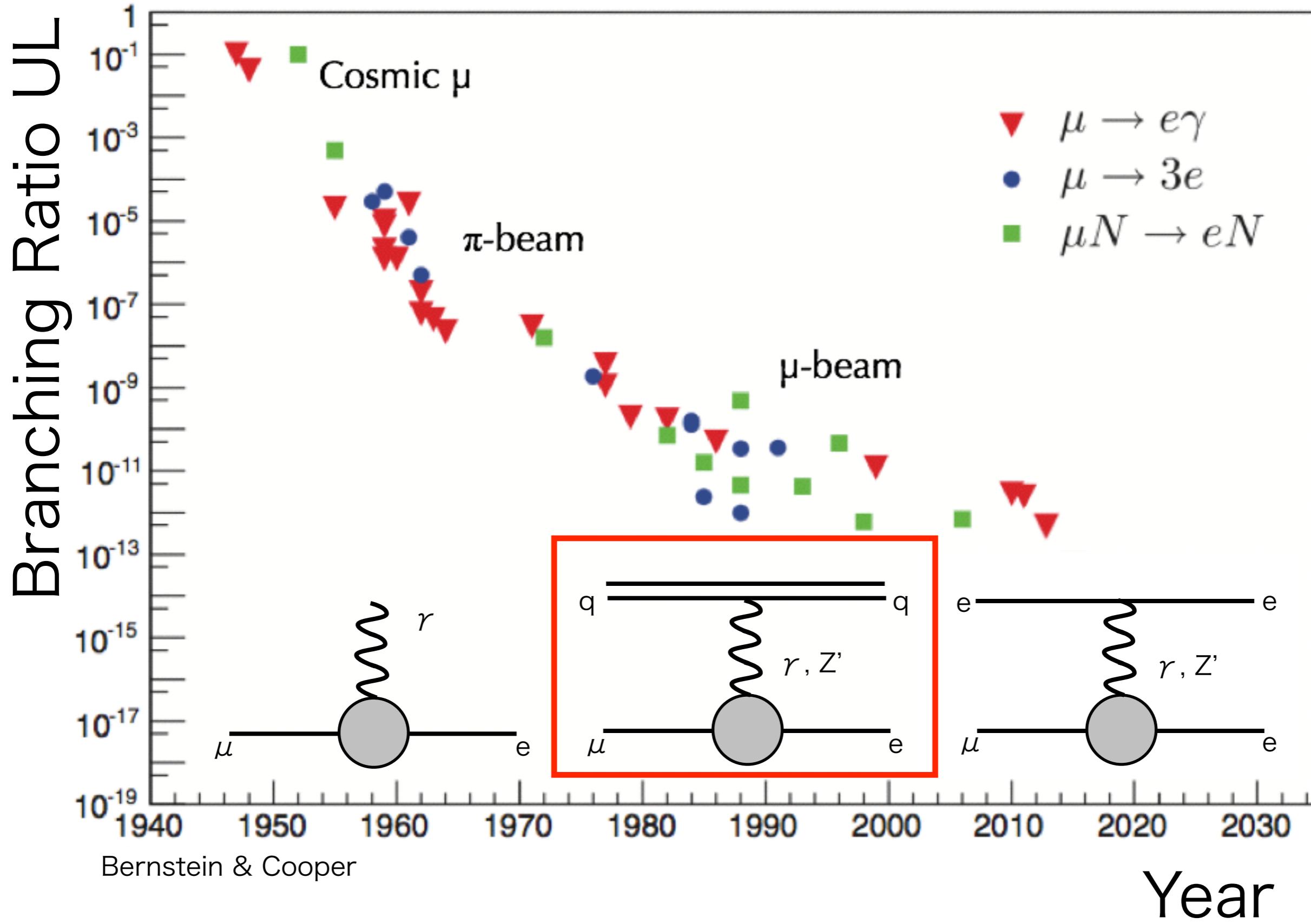


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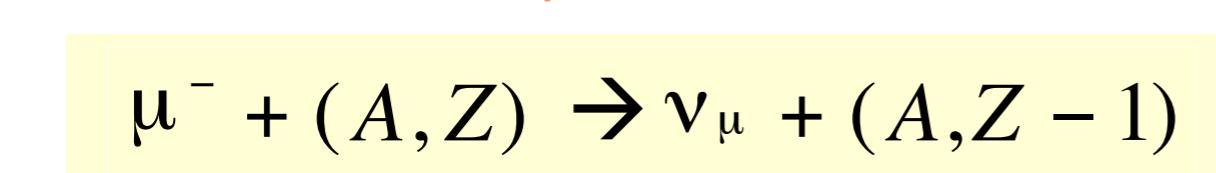
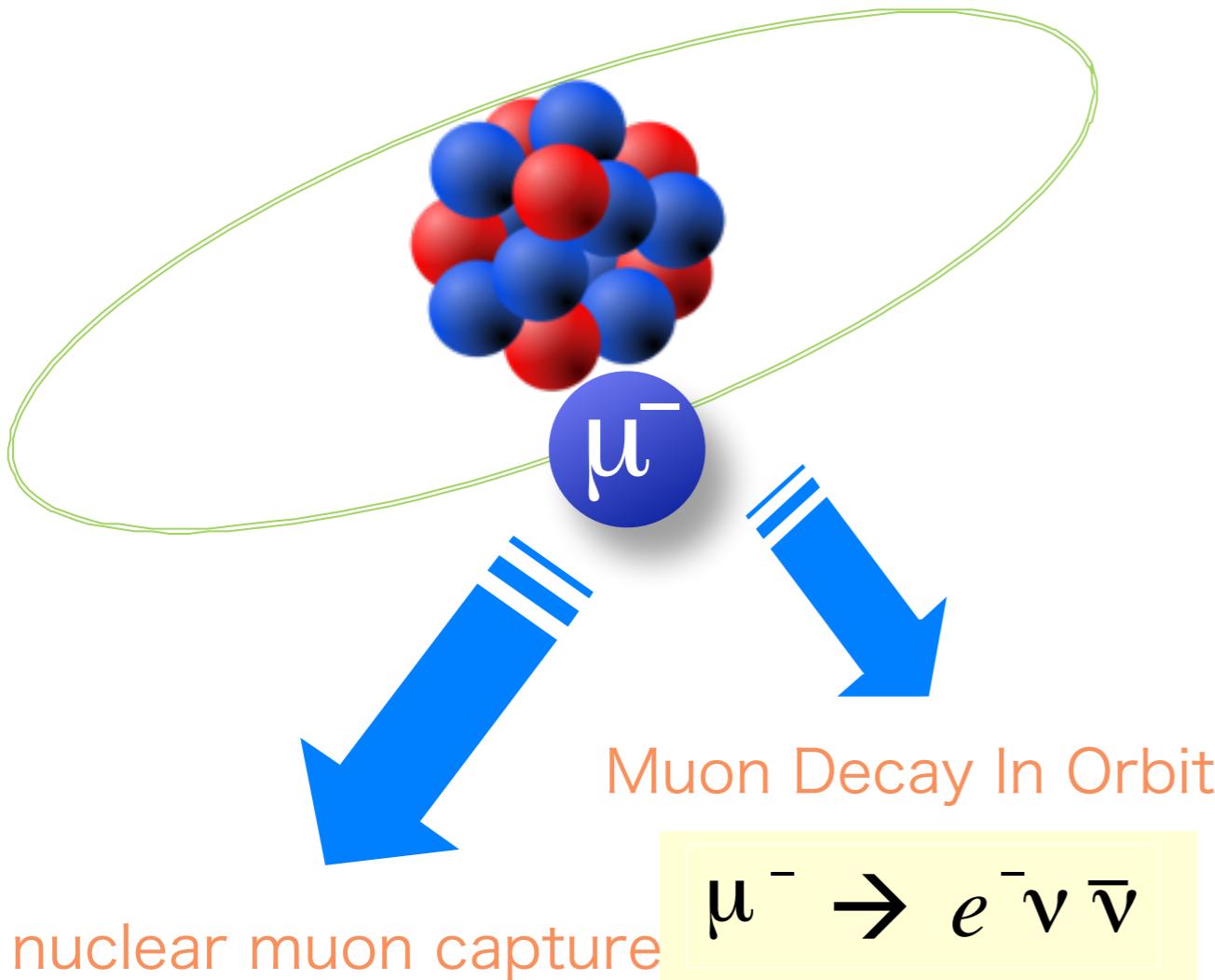
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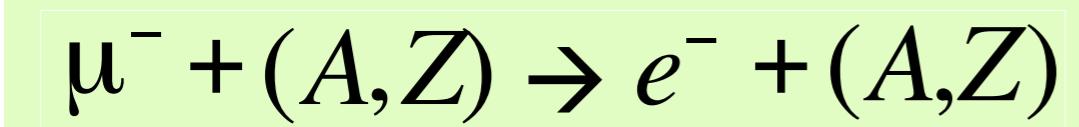




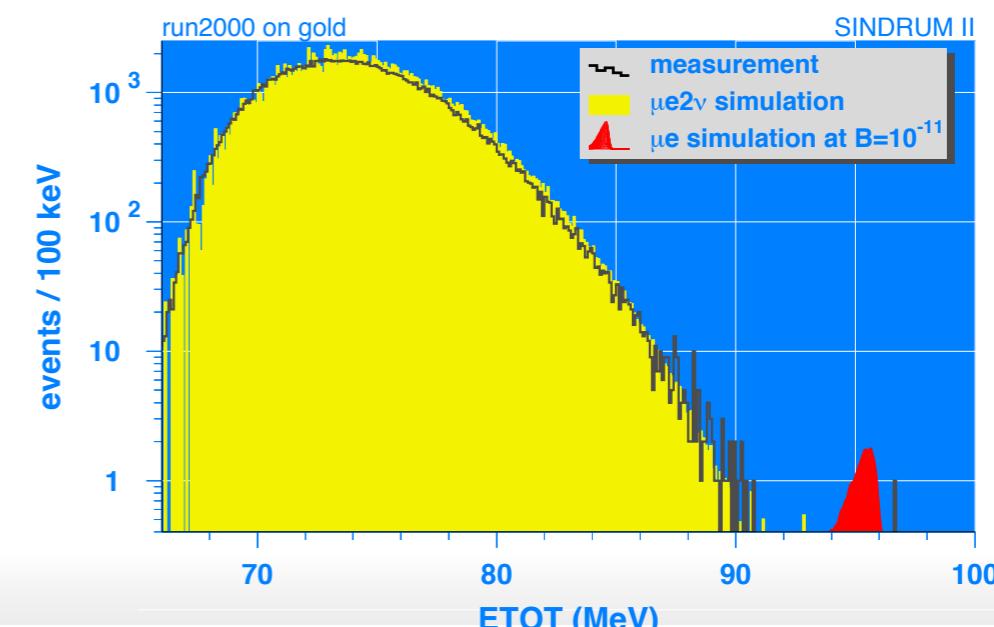
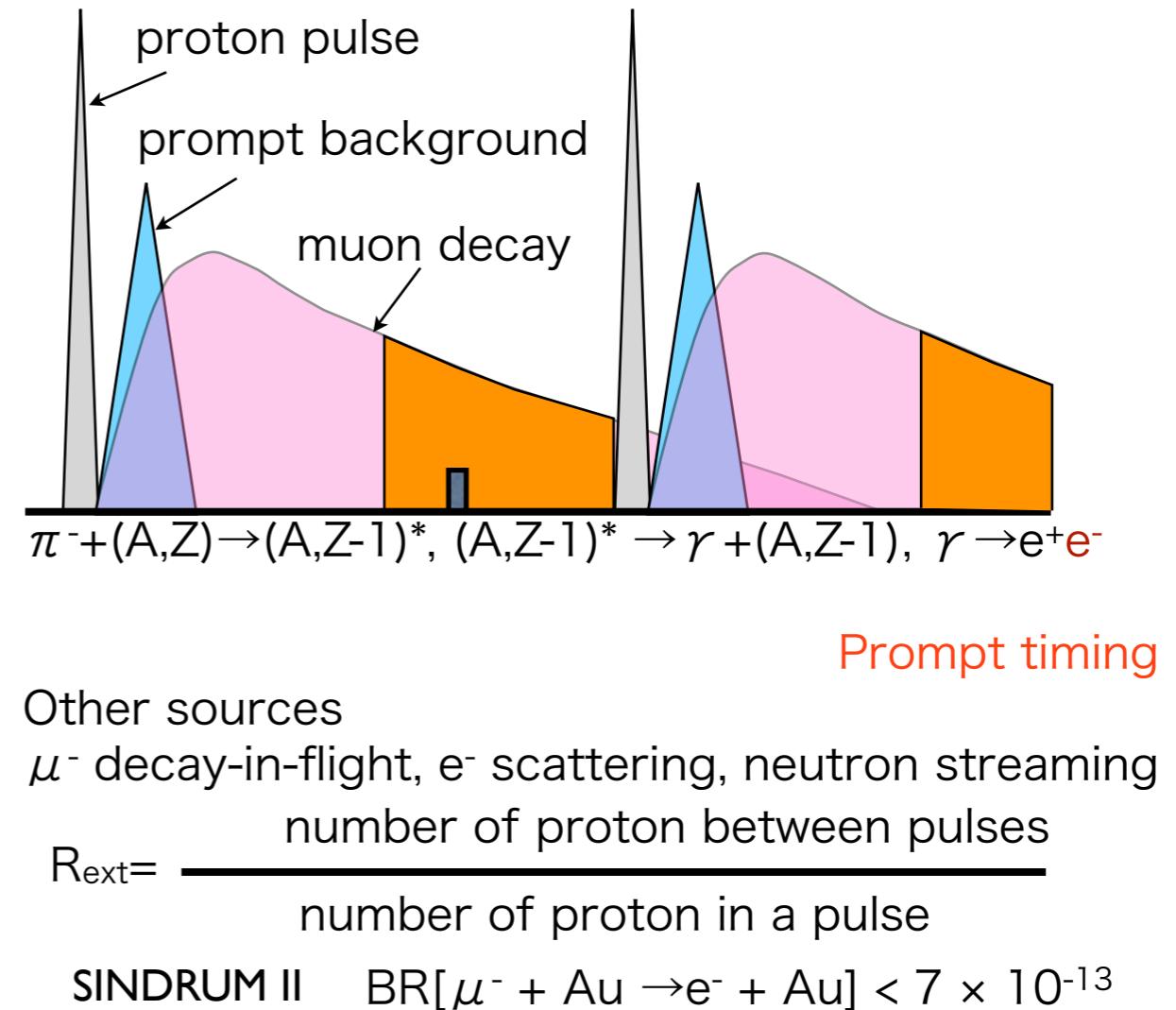
# $\mu \rightarrow e$ search using pulsed muon beam



$\mu$ -e conversion



- $E_{\mu e}(Al) \sim m_\mu - B_\mu = 105 \text{ MeV}$ 
  - $B_\mu$ : binding energy of the 1s muonic atom



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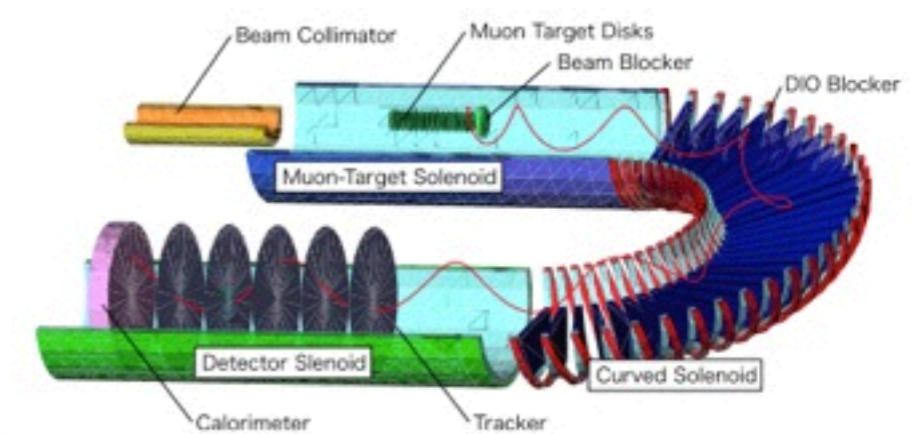
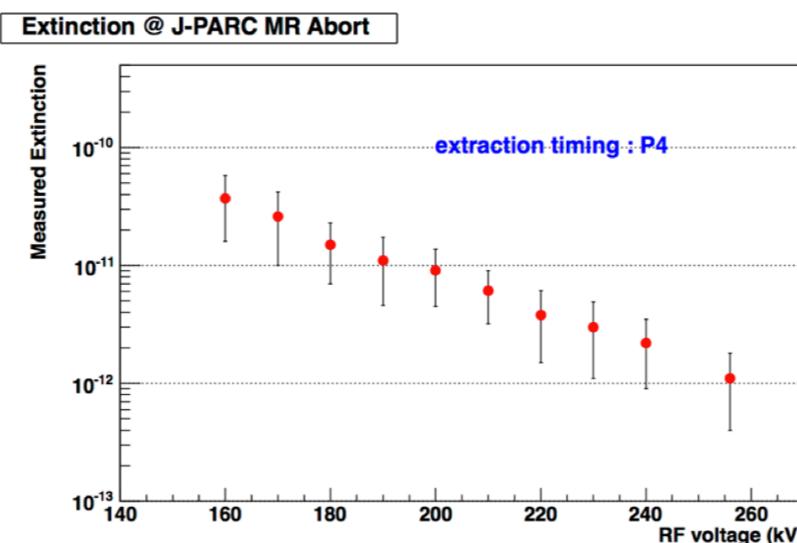
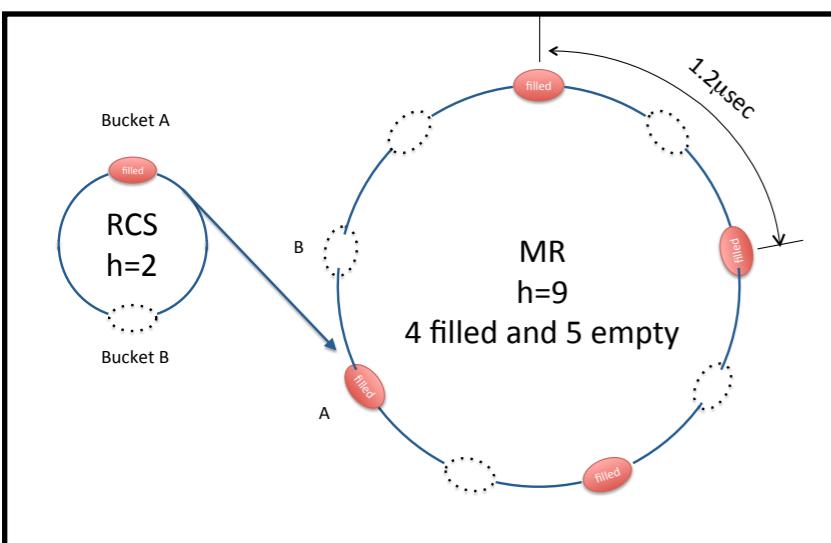
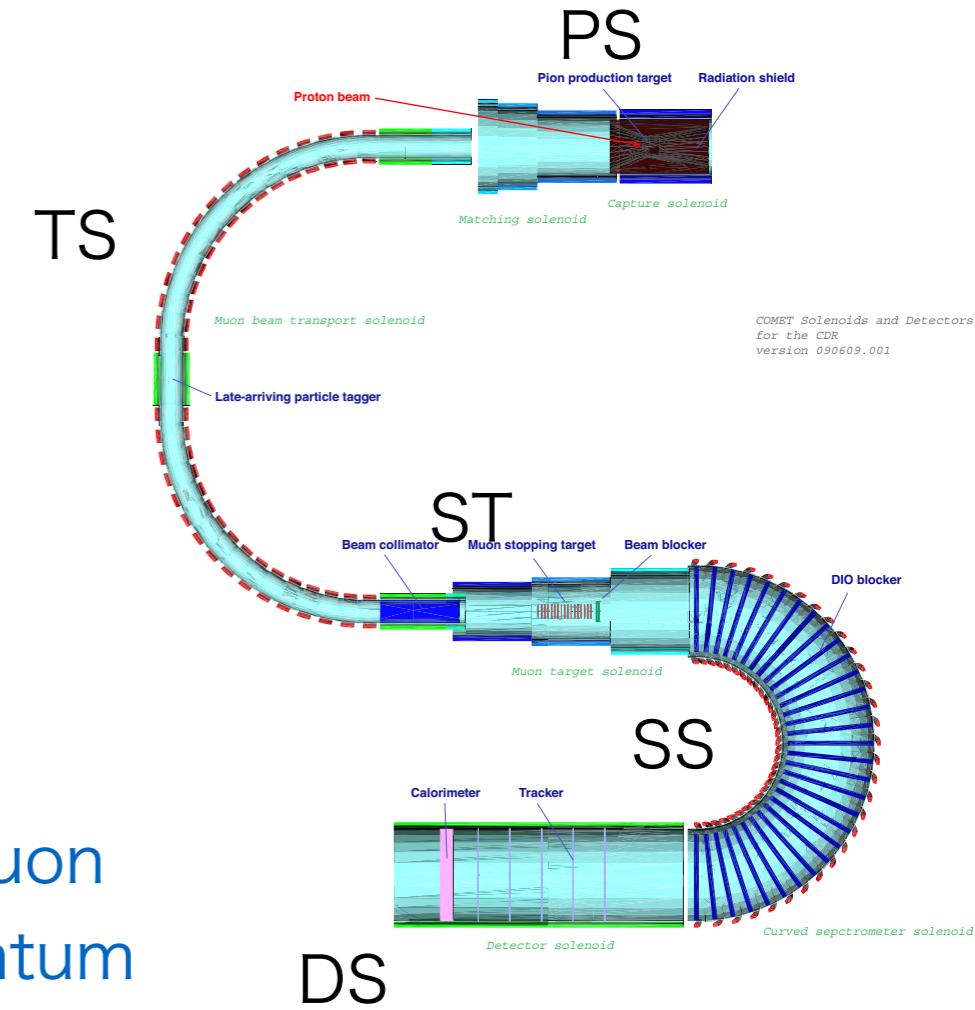
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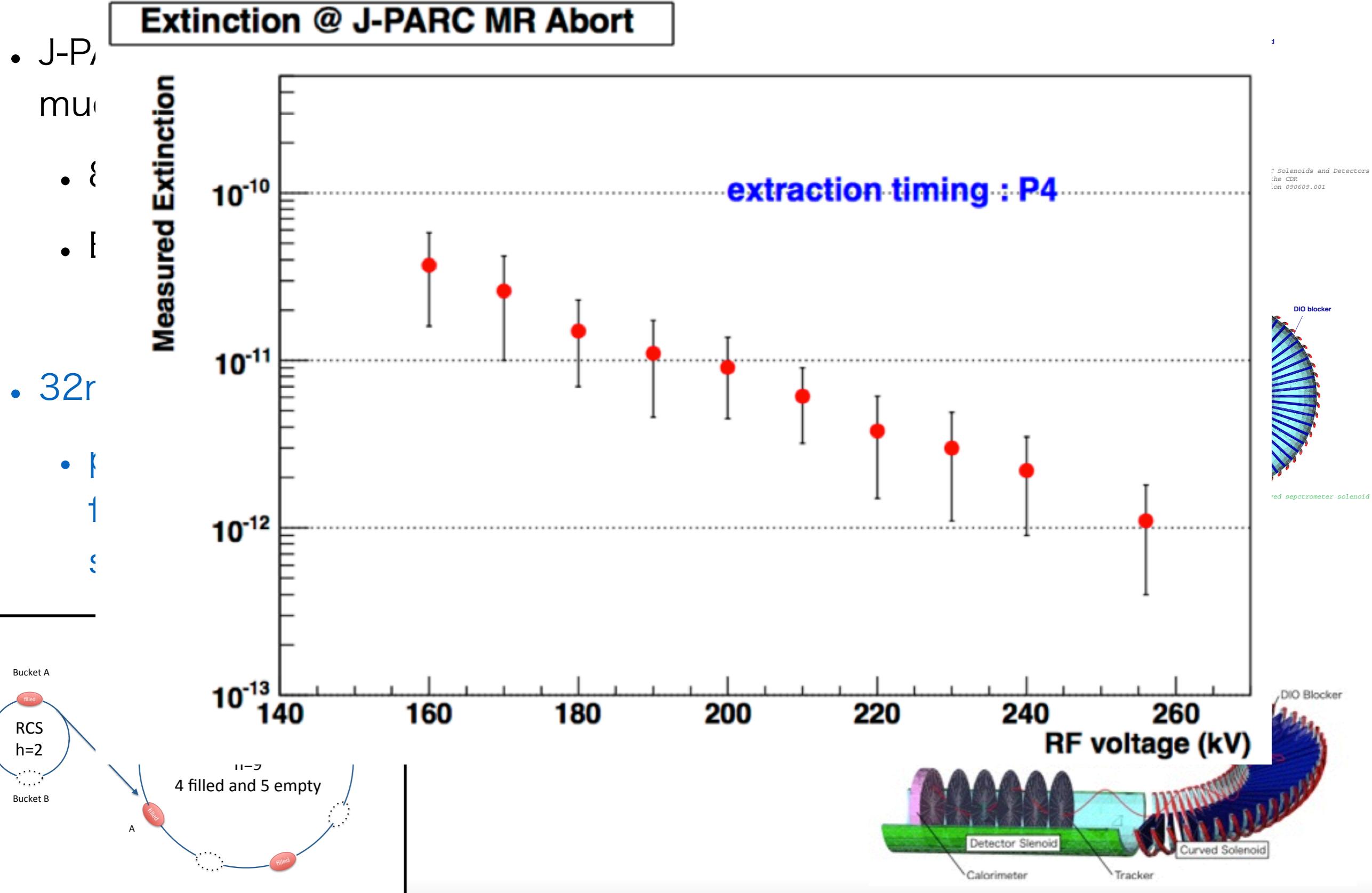
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- J-PARC pulsed proton beam to produce pulsed muon beam
  - 8GeV, 3.2kW-56kW
  - Beam extinction factor study in May 2014
    - 8GeV w/o extraction  $< 10^{-11}$
  - 32m long chain of SC solenoid magnets
    - pion collection (PS), muon transport (TS), muon focusing on the target (ST), electron momentum selection (SS), and electron spectrometer (DS)

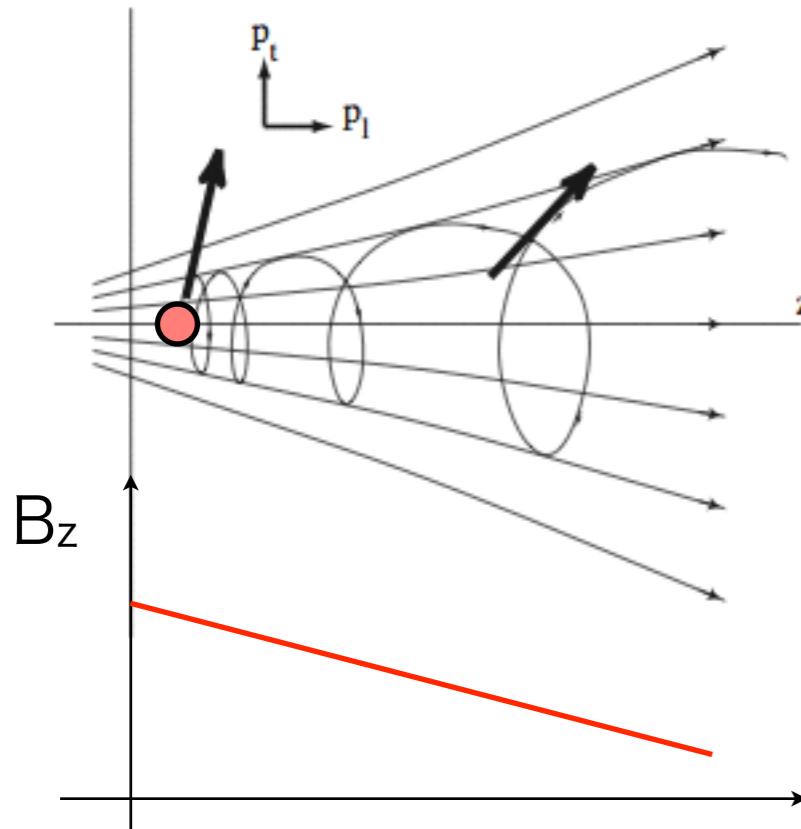


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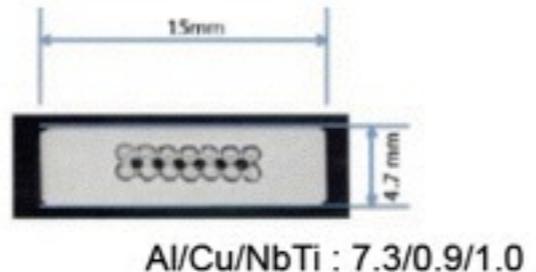
# As many muons as possible!

Pion/muon collection using gradient magnetic field

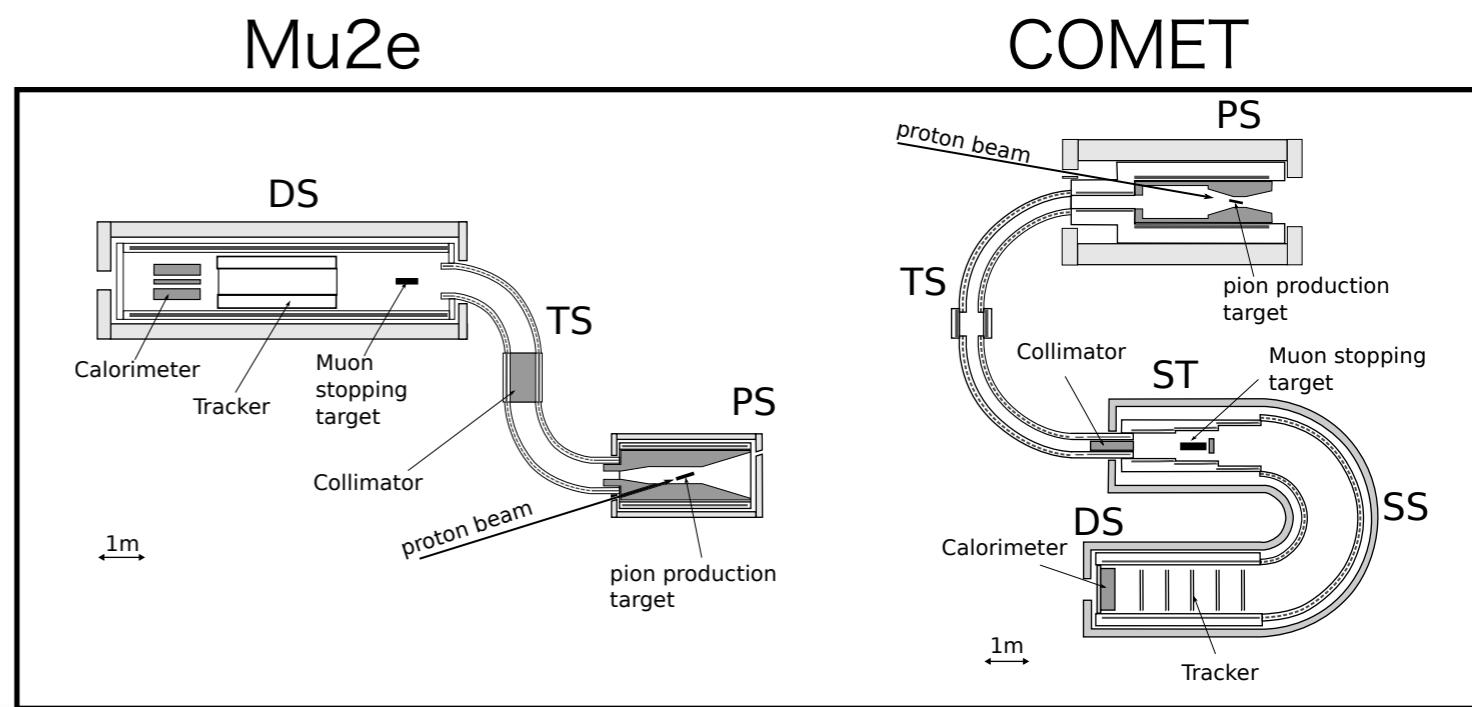
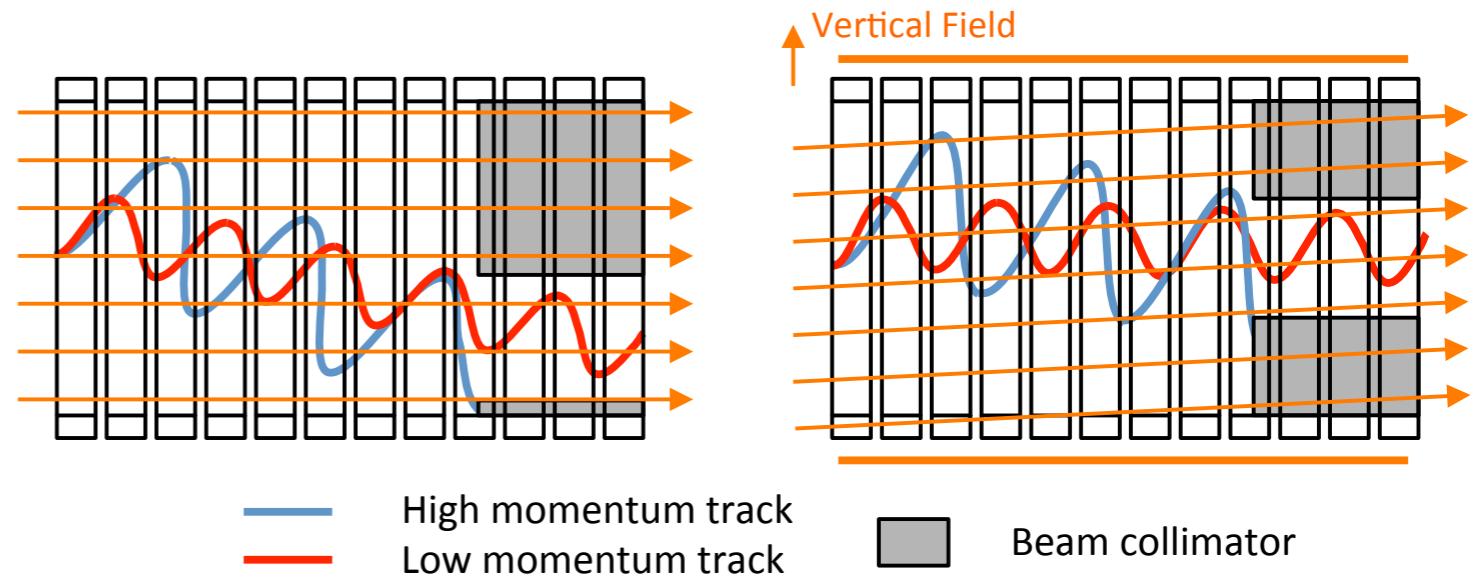


Strong Magnetic field in high radiation environment

Aluminum stabilized SC  
Collaborative R&D between  
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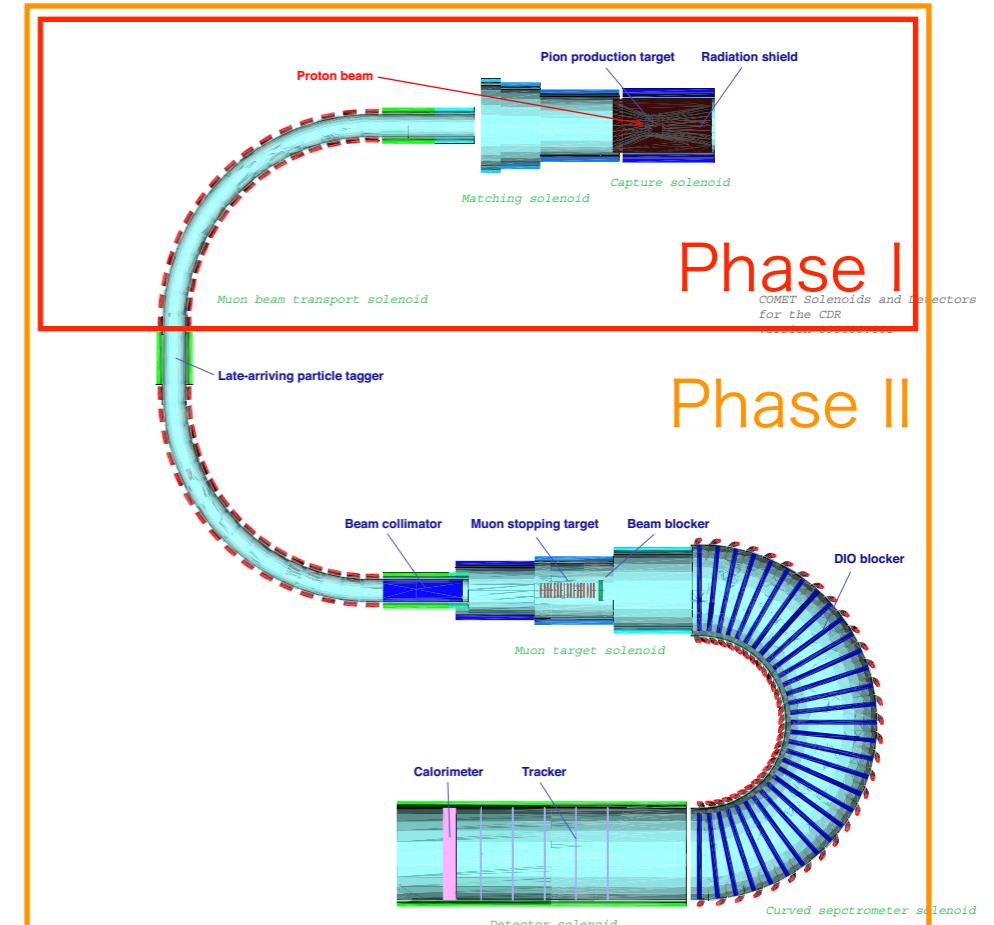


Muon transport with large momentum acceptance and momentum selection

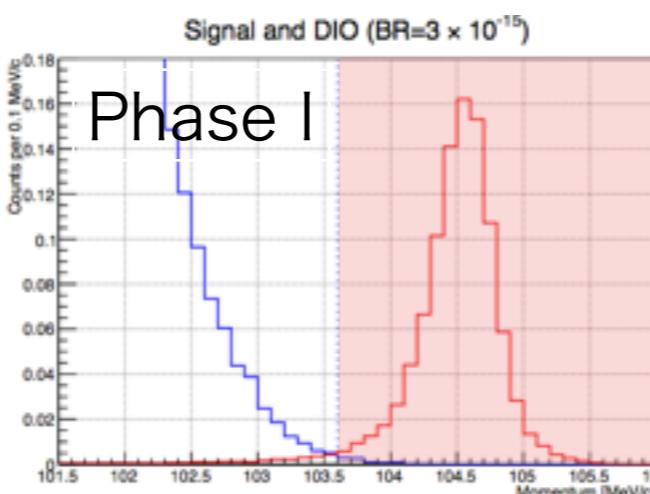


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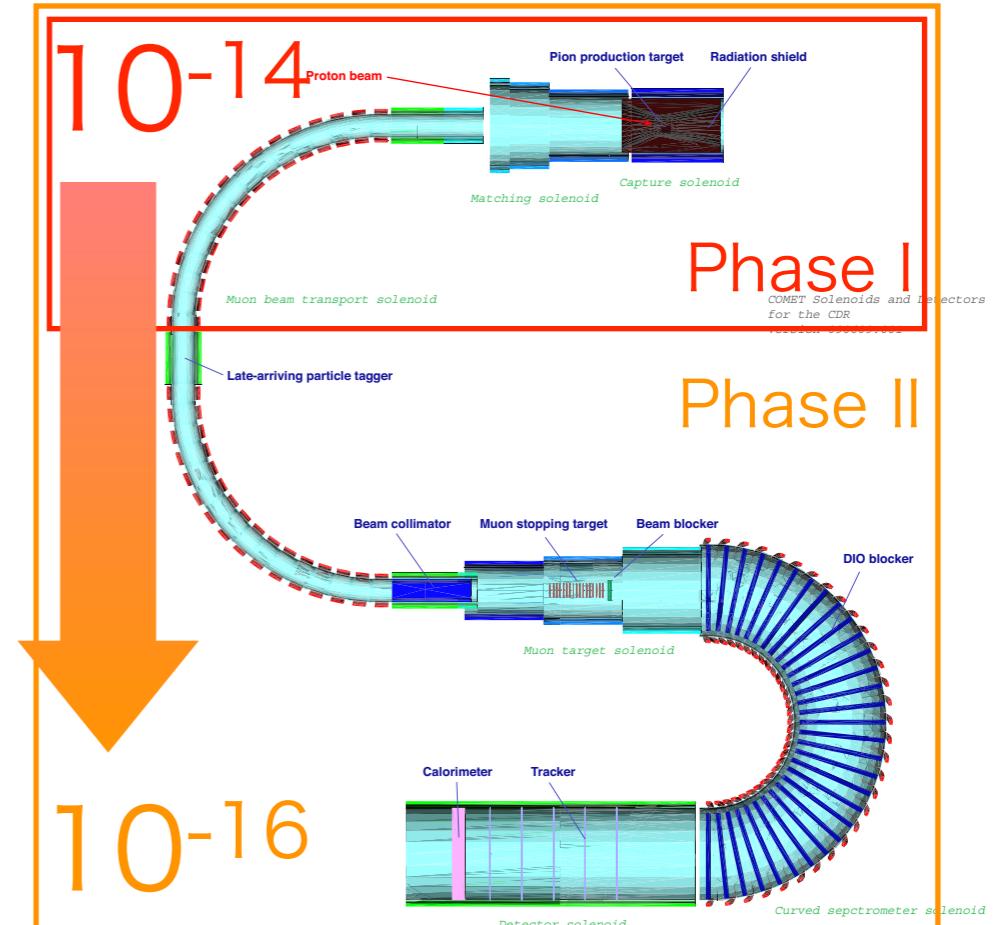
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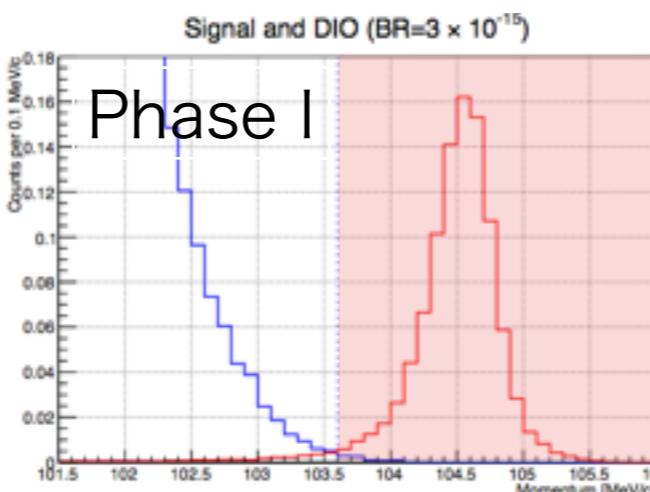
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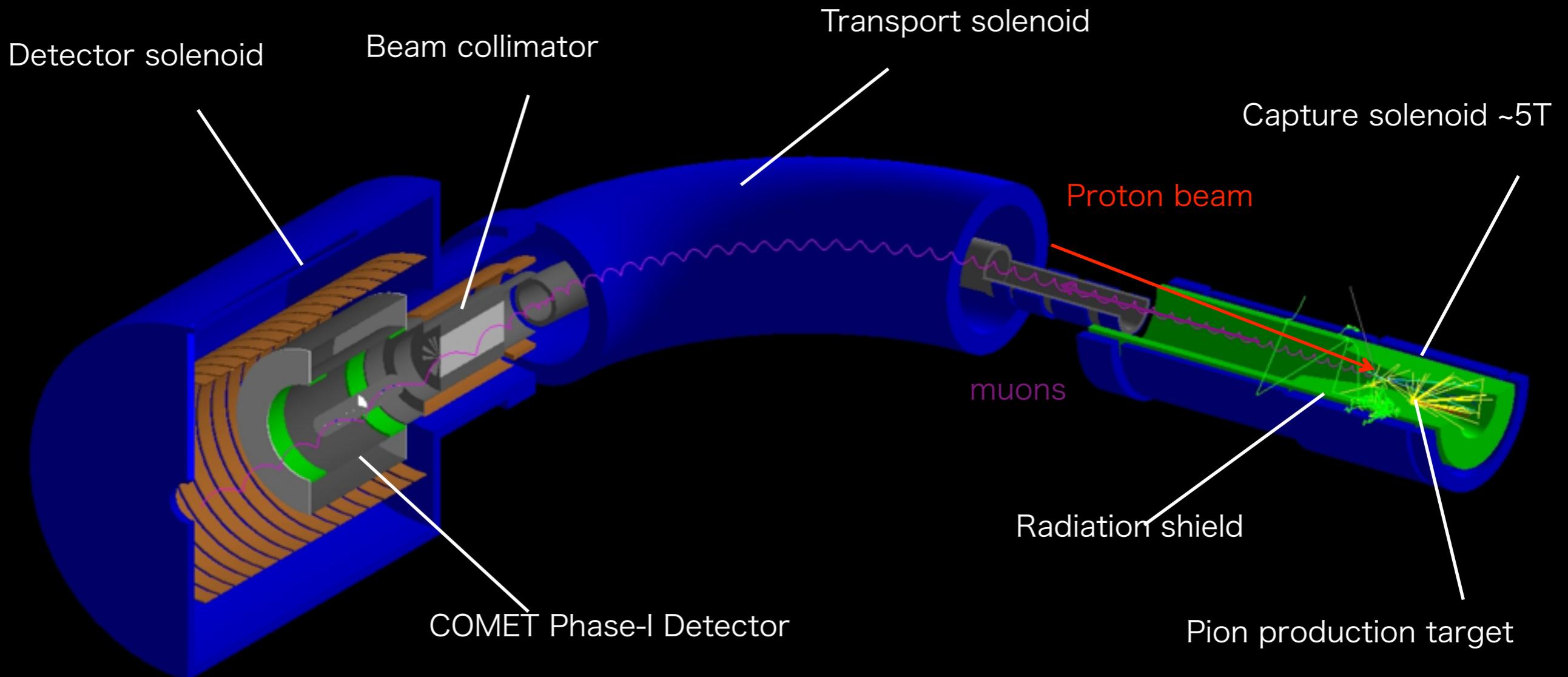


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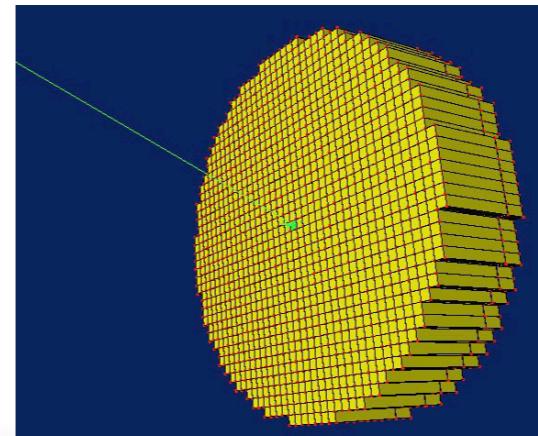
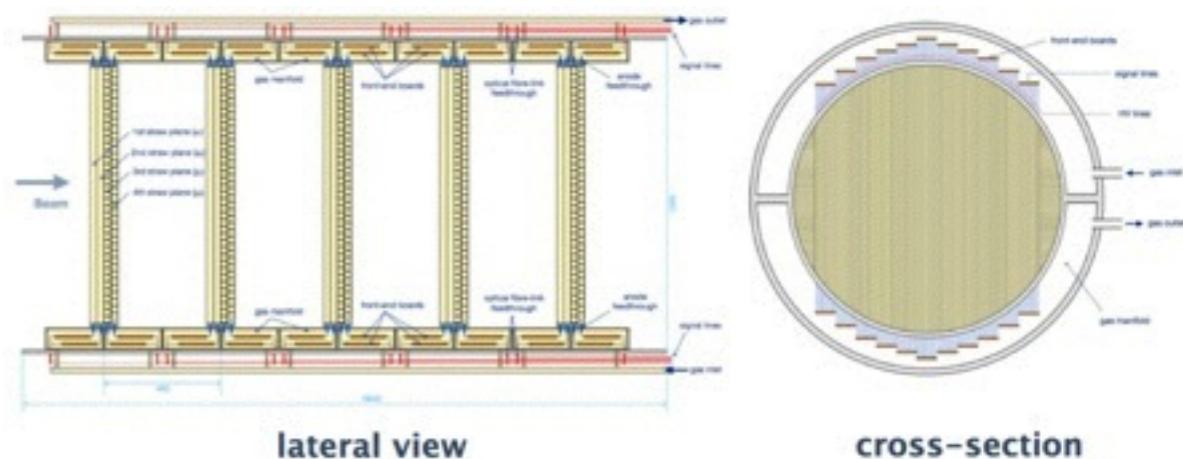
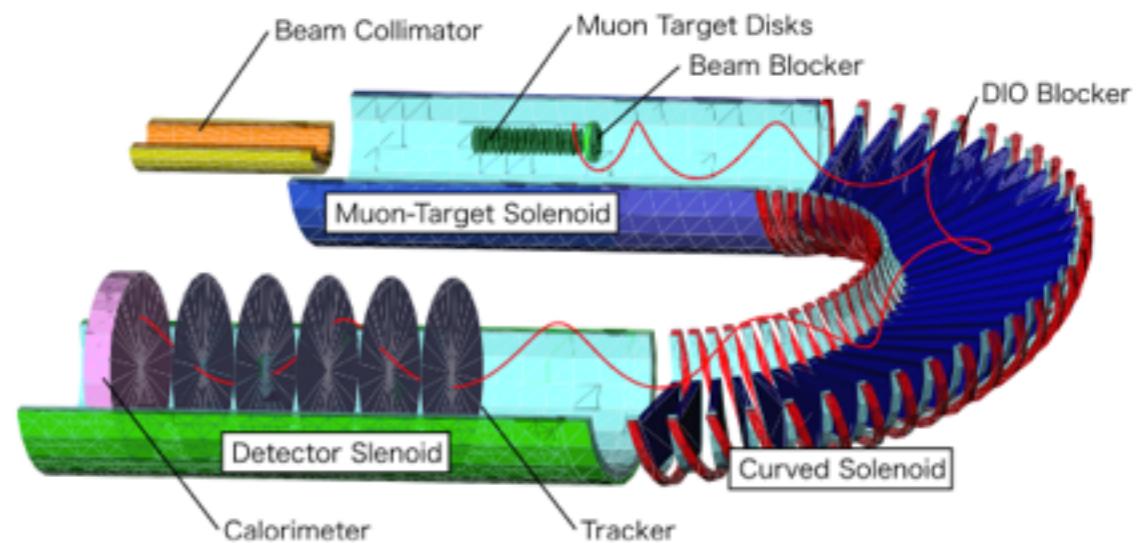
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# COMET Phase I Setup



# R&D toward Phase II

- In Phase II another curved solenoid will be implemented for electron momentum selection
  - electron momentum/energy measurements after selection
- Straw tube tracker & crystal calorimeter
  - operation in vacuum to suppress multiple-scattering effect
- **Part of these detectors are constructed and tested in phase I**
  - Muon beam & background study
  - Performance evaluation of the spectrometer



# Sensitivity & background in Phase I

- Sensitivity

- Acceptance=0.046

- $0.29 \text{ (geometrical)} \times 0.97 \text{ (mom. sel.)} \times 0.30 \text{ (timing sel.)} \times 0.80 \text{ (trigger)} \times 0.80 \text{ (DAQ)} \times 0.8 \text{ (reconst.)}$

- Atomic capture rate  
 $f_{\text{cap}}=0.61$

- $N_\mu = 1.3 \times 10^{16}$  muons  
(~90days@0.4 $\mu$ A)

- S.E.S.= $3.1 \times 10^{-15}$ , 90% U.L. =  
 $7.2 \times 10^{-15}$

- Background

Type	Background	Estimated events
Physics	Muon decay in orbit	0.01
Physics	Radiative muon capture	$5.6 \times 10^{-4}$
Physics	Neutron emission after muon capture	< 0.001
Physics	Charged particle emission after muon capture	< 0.001
Prompt Beam	Beam electrons (prompt)	$7.1 \times 10^{-4}$
Prompt Beam	Muon decay in flight (prompt)	$\leq 1.7 \times 10^{-4}$
Prompt Beam	Pion decay in flight (prompt)	$\leq 2.0 \times 10^{-3}$
Prompt Beam	Other beam particles	$\leq 2.4 \times 10^{-6}$
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Delayed Beam	Beam electrons (delayed)	$\sim 0$
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Delayed Beam	Anti-proton induced backgrounds	0.007
Others	Electrons from cosmic ray muons	< 0.0001
Total		0.019

- Intrinsic & beam related

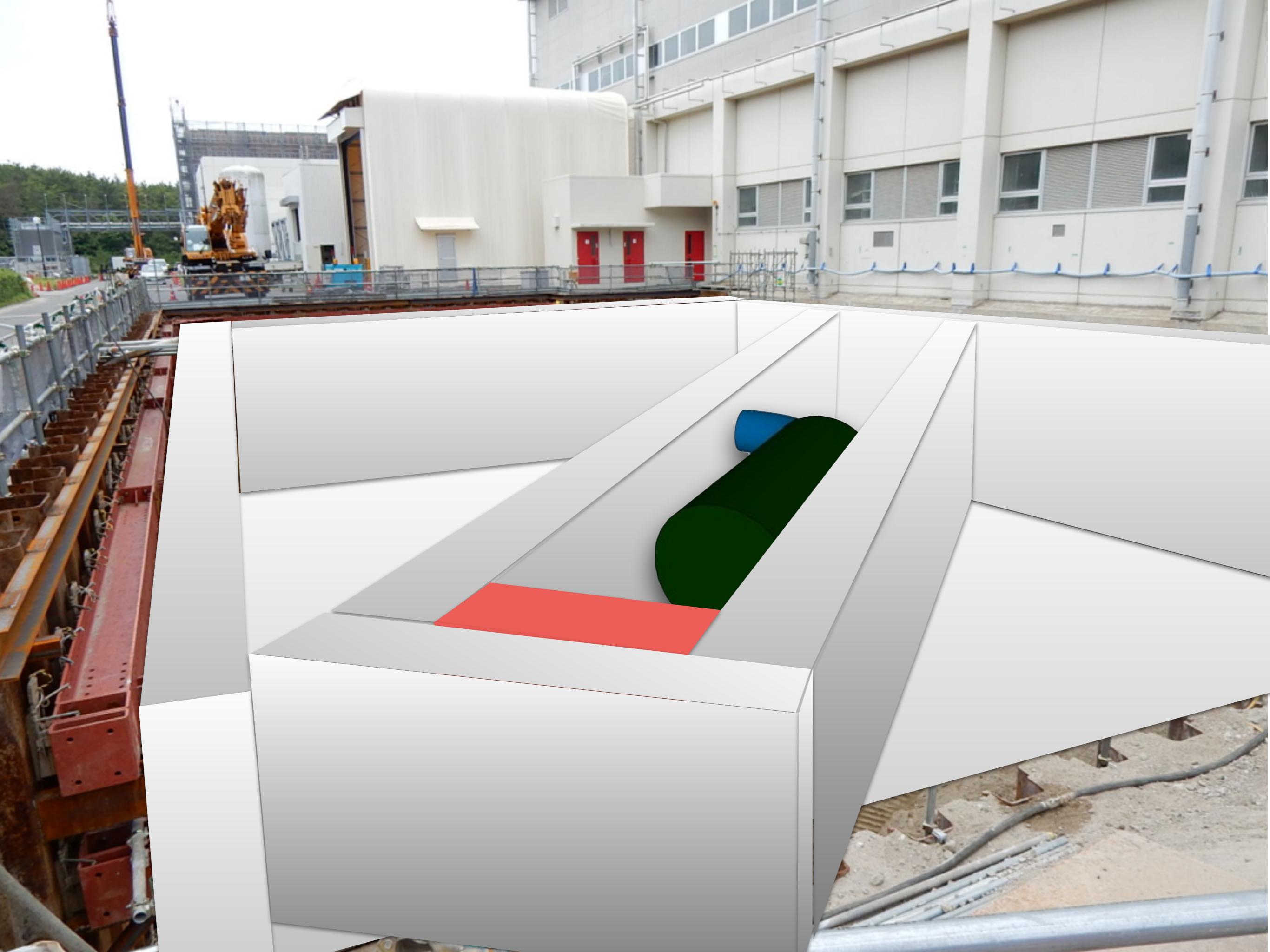
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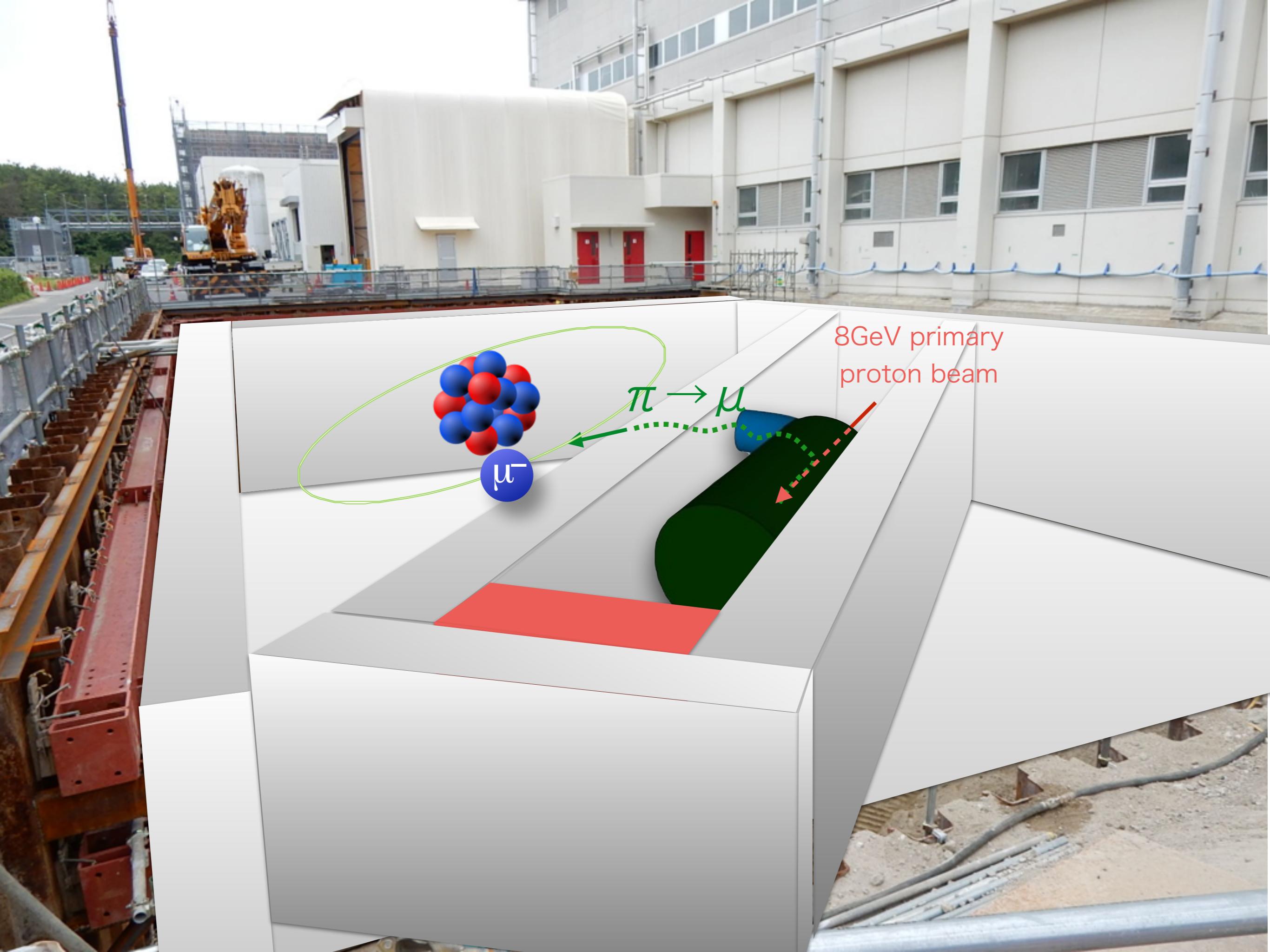
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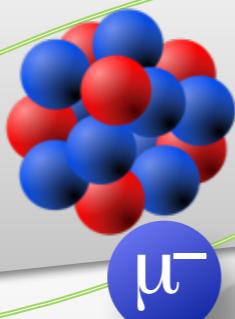
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- Superconducting magnet construction
- Detector construction





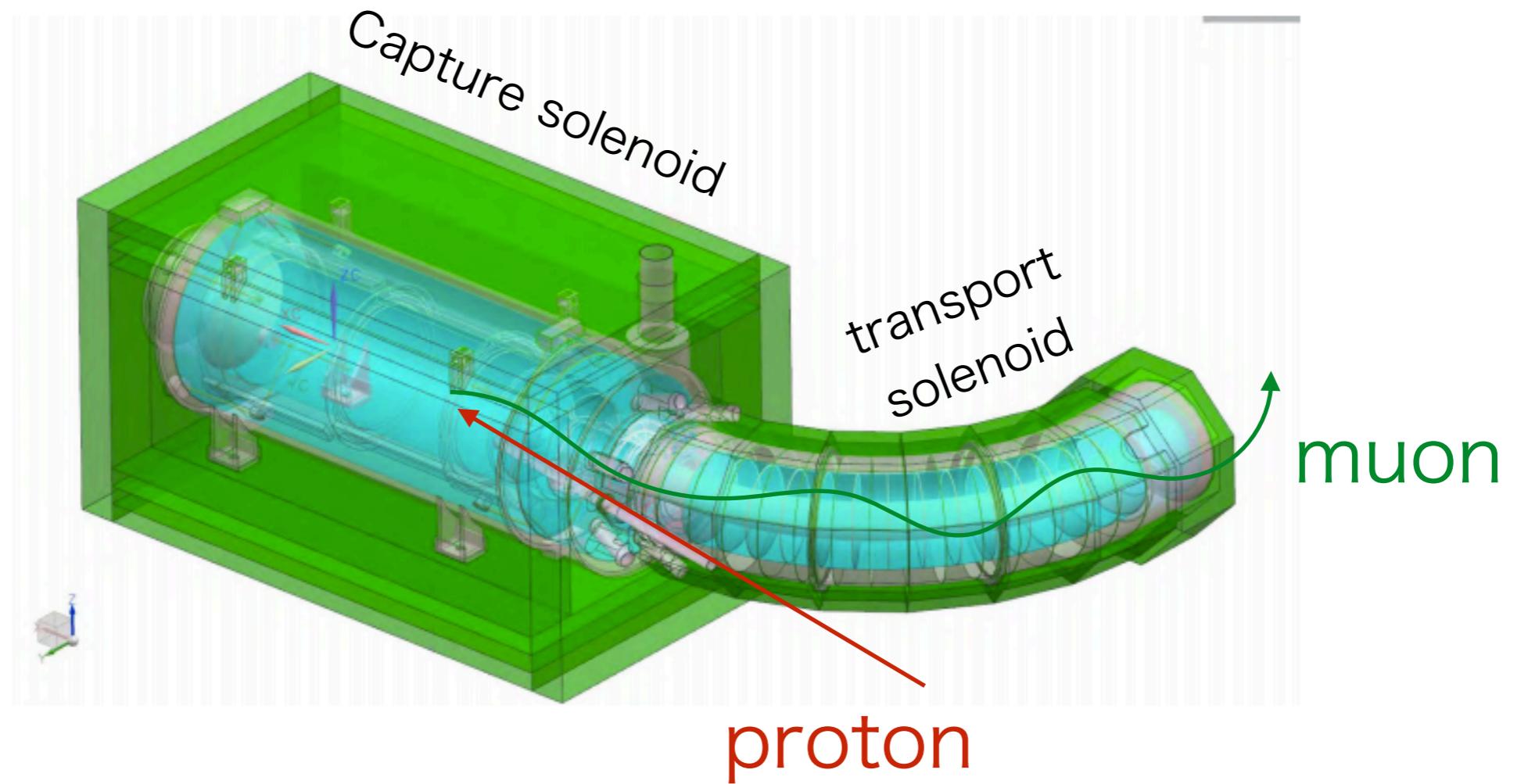


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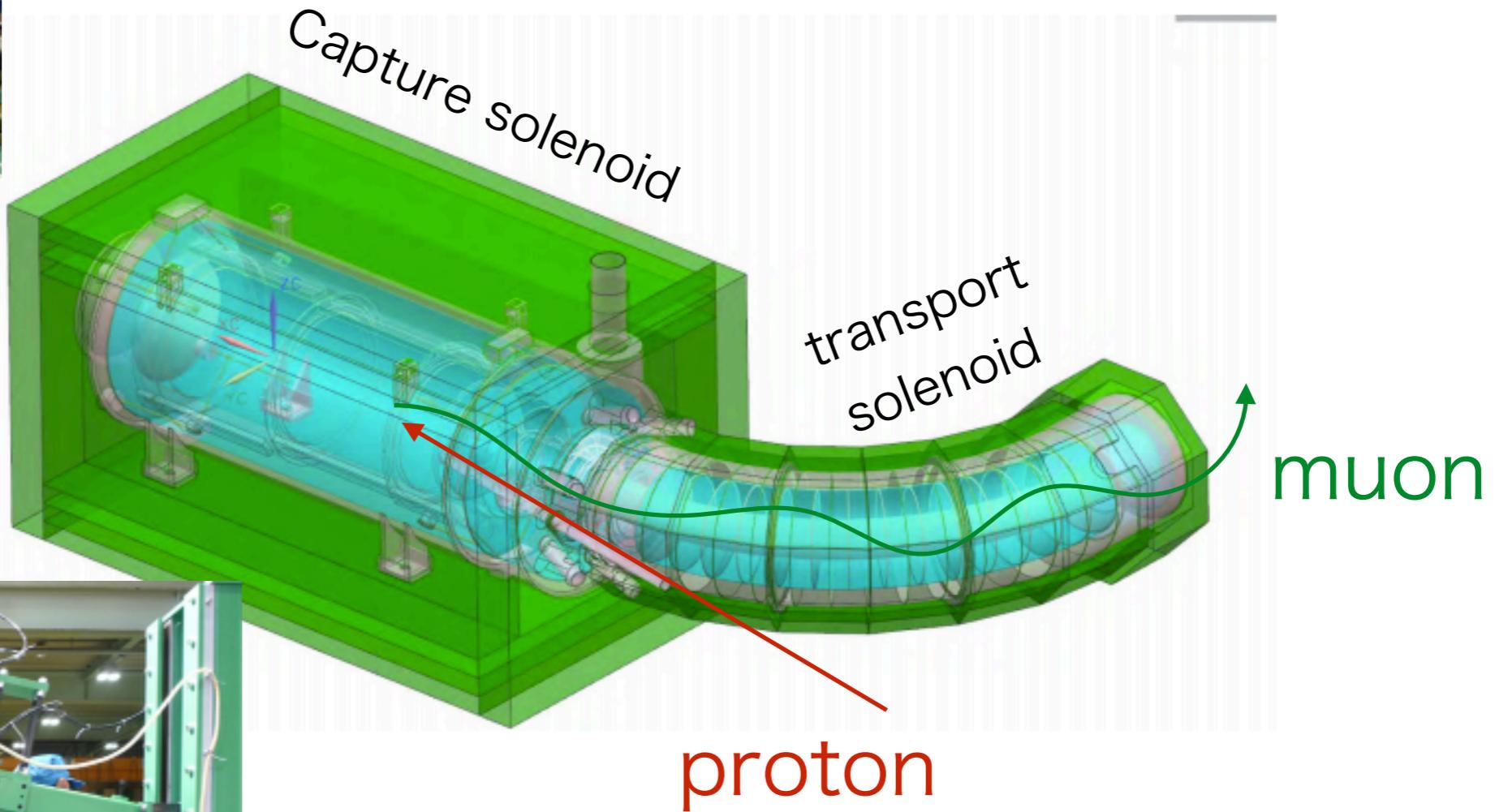
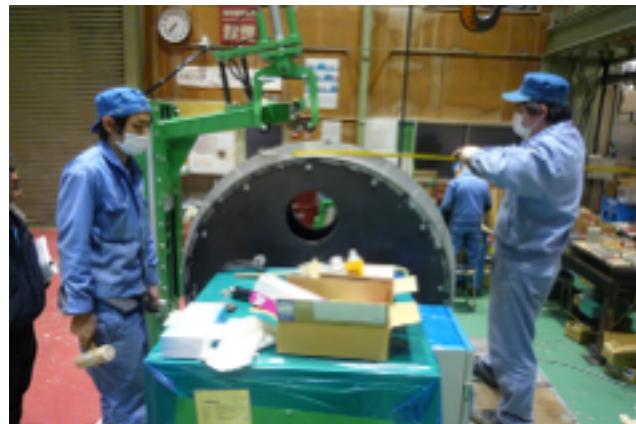


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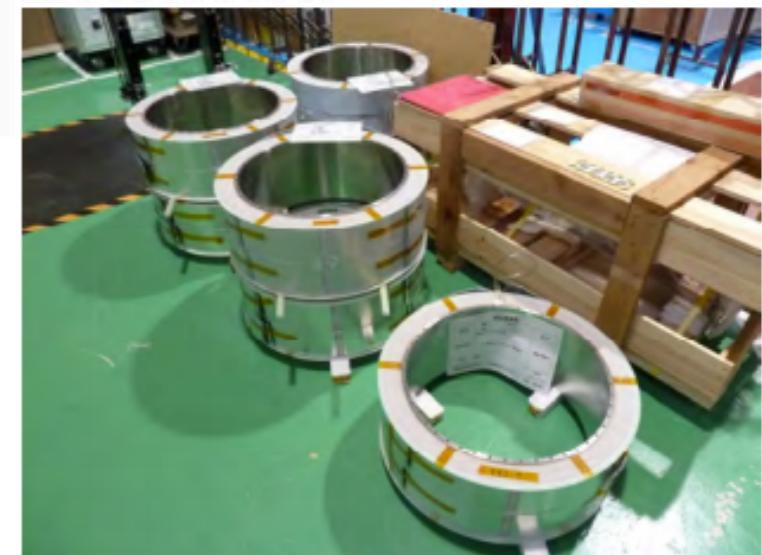
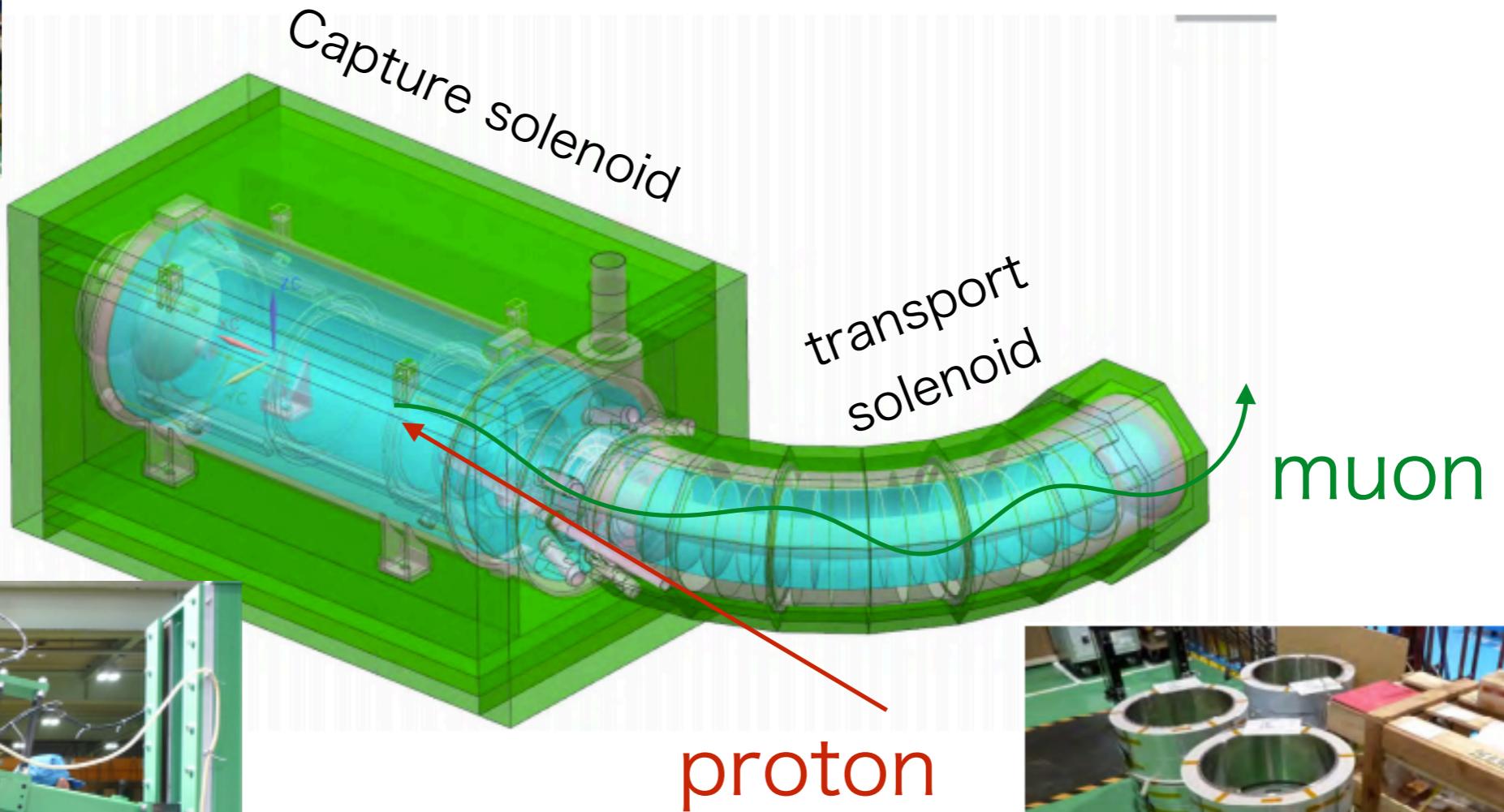
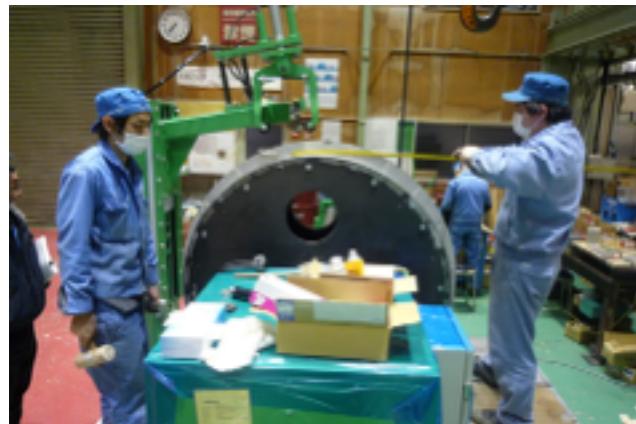
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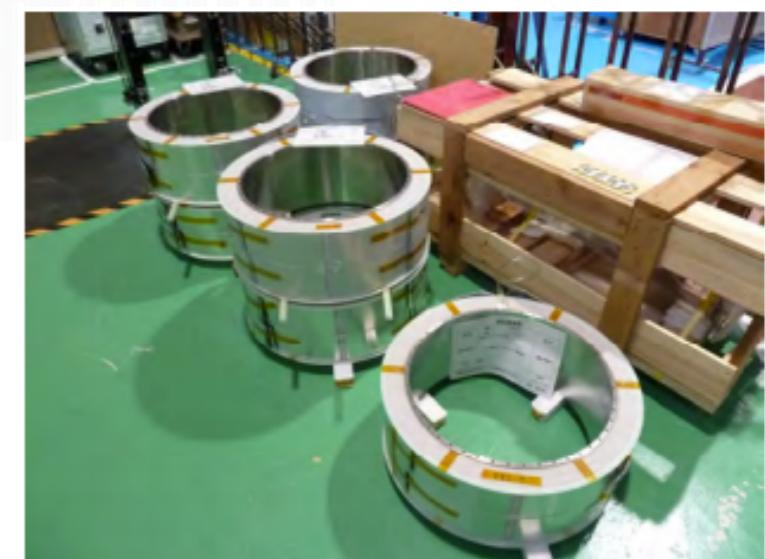
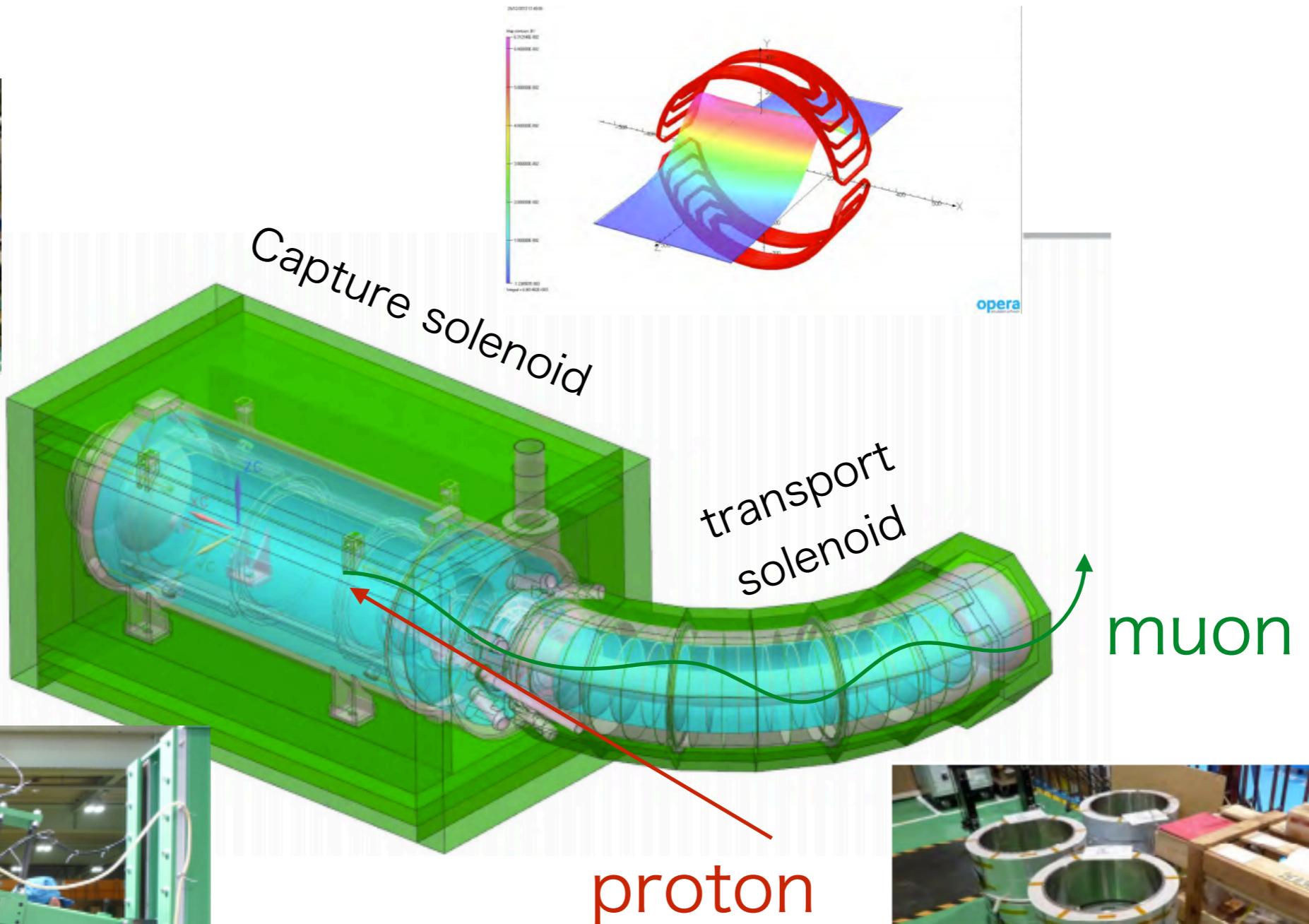
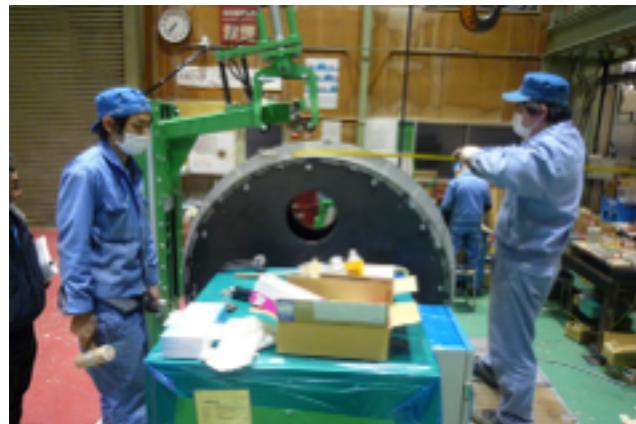
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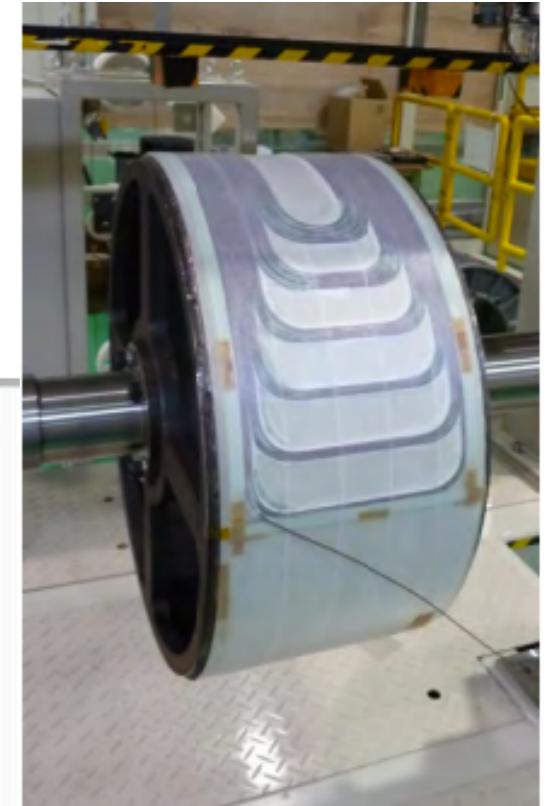
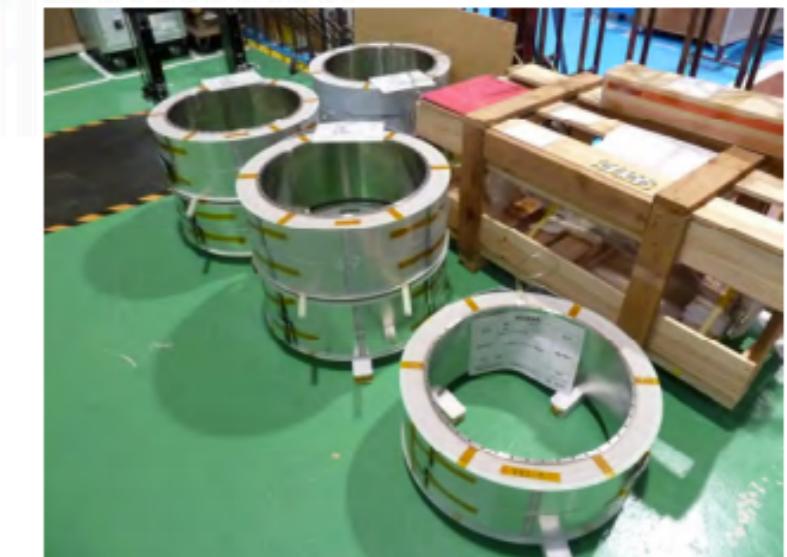
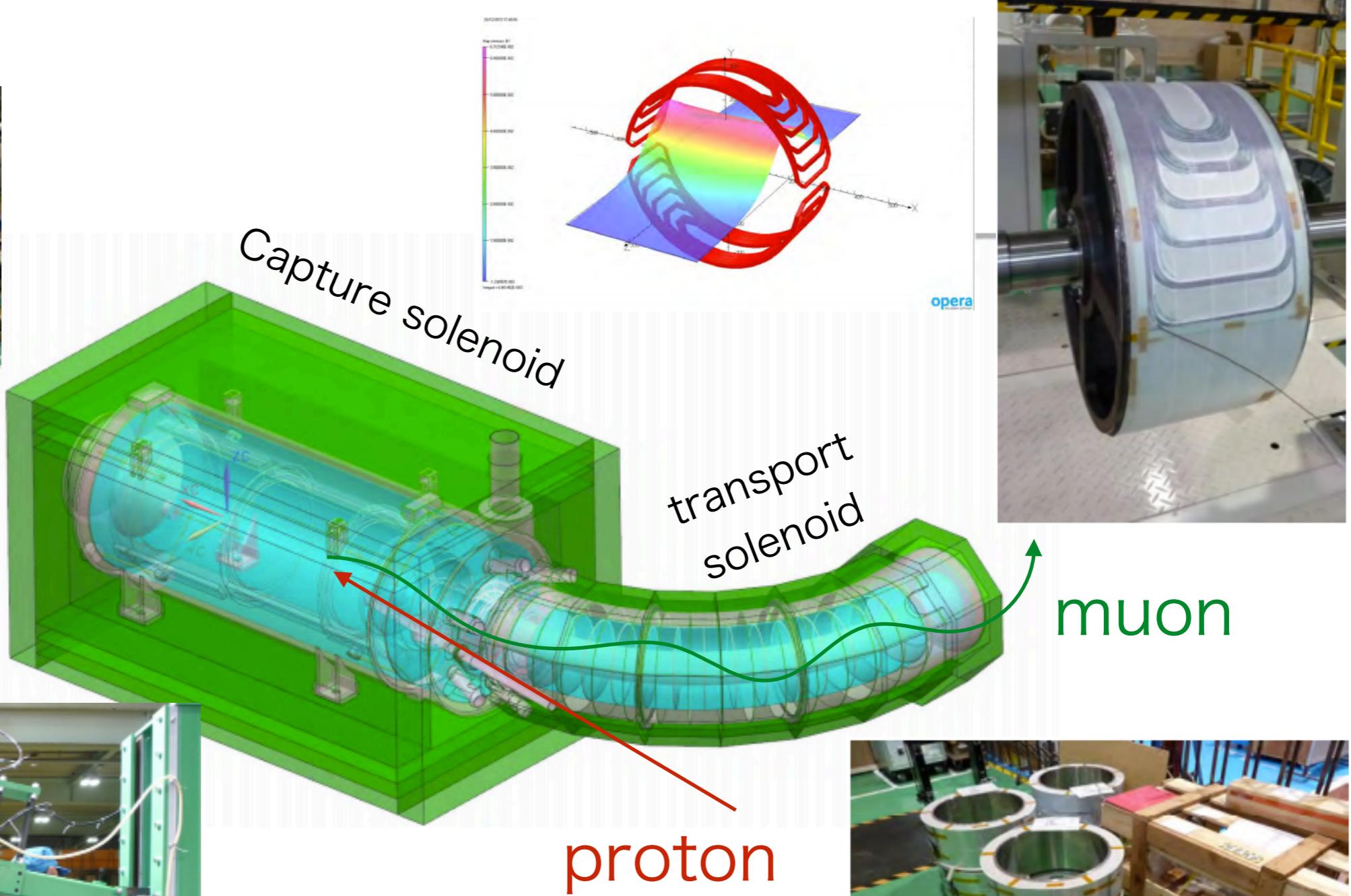
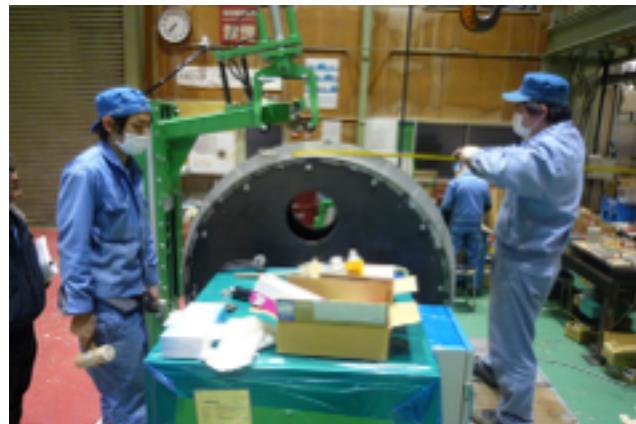
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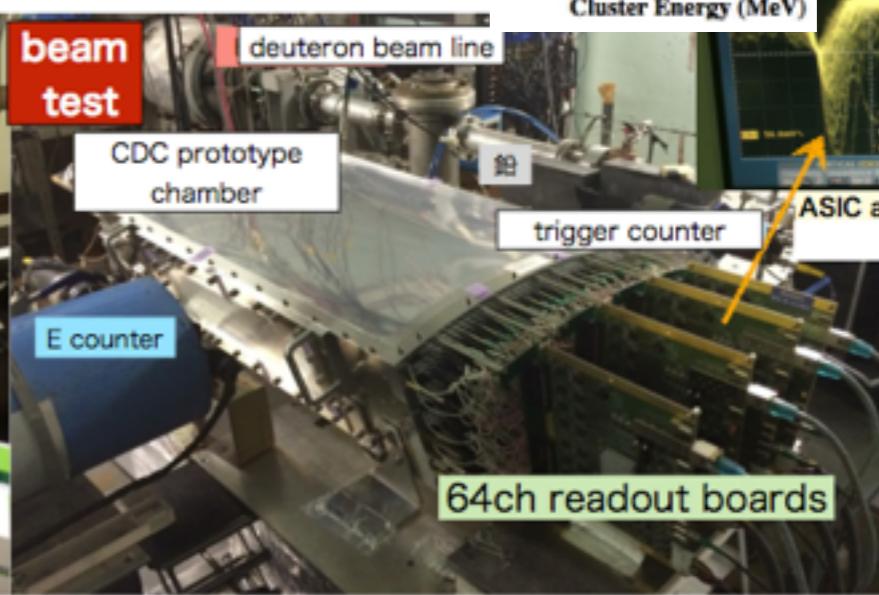
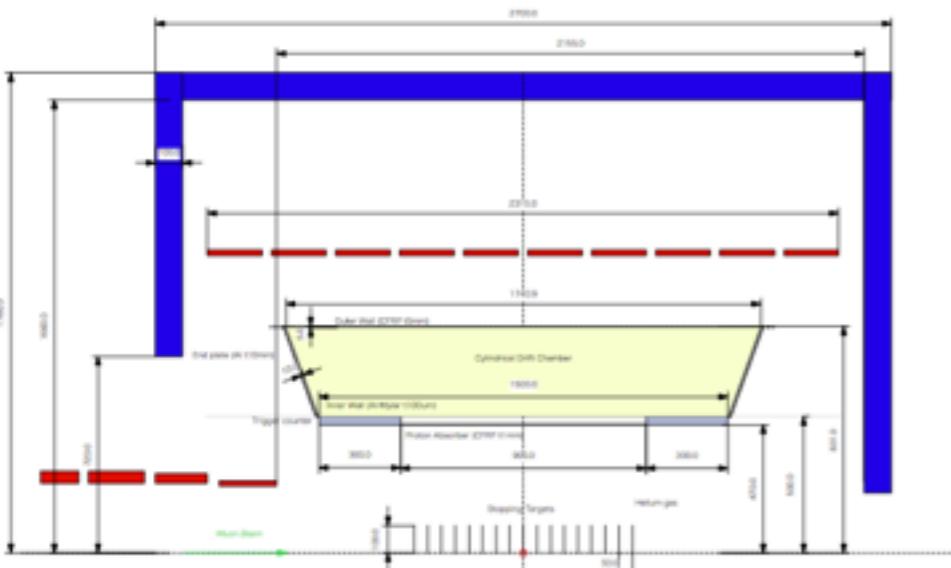
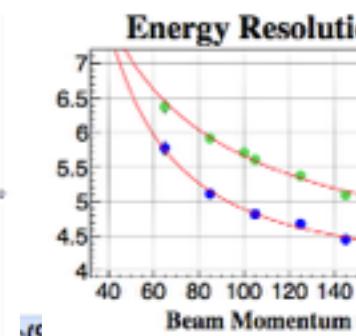
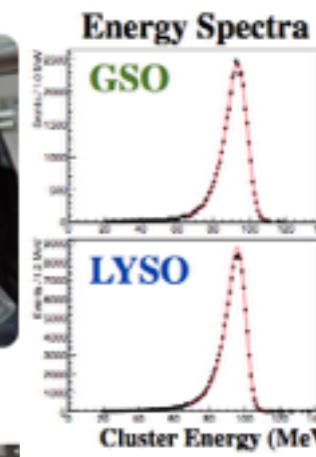
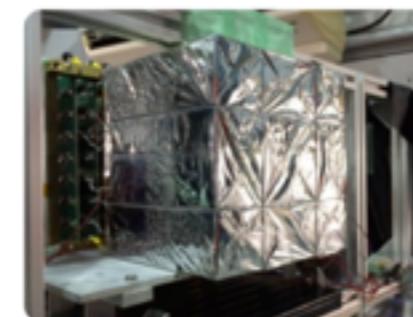
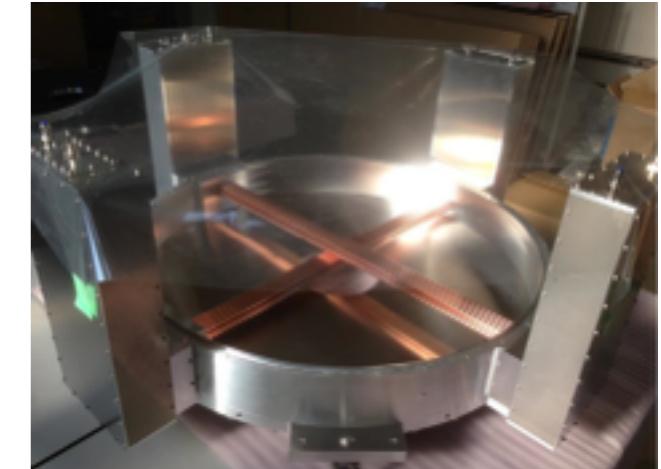
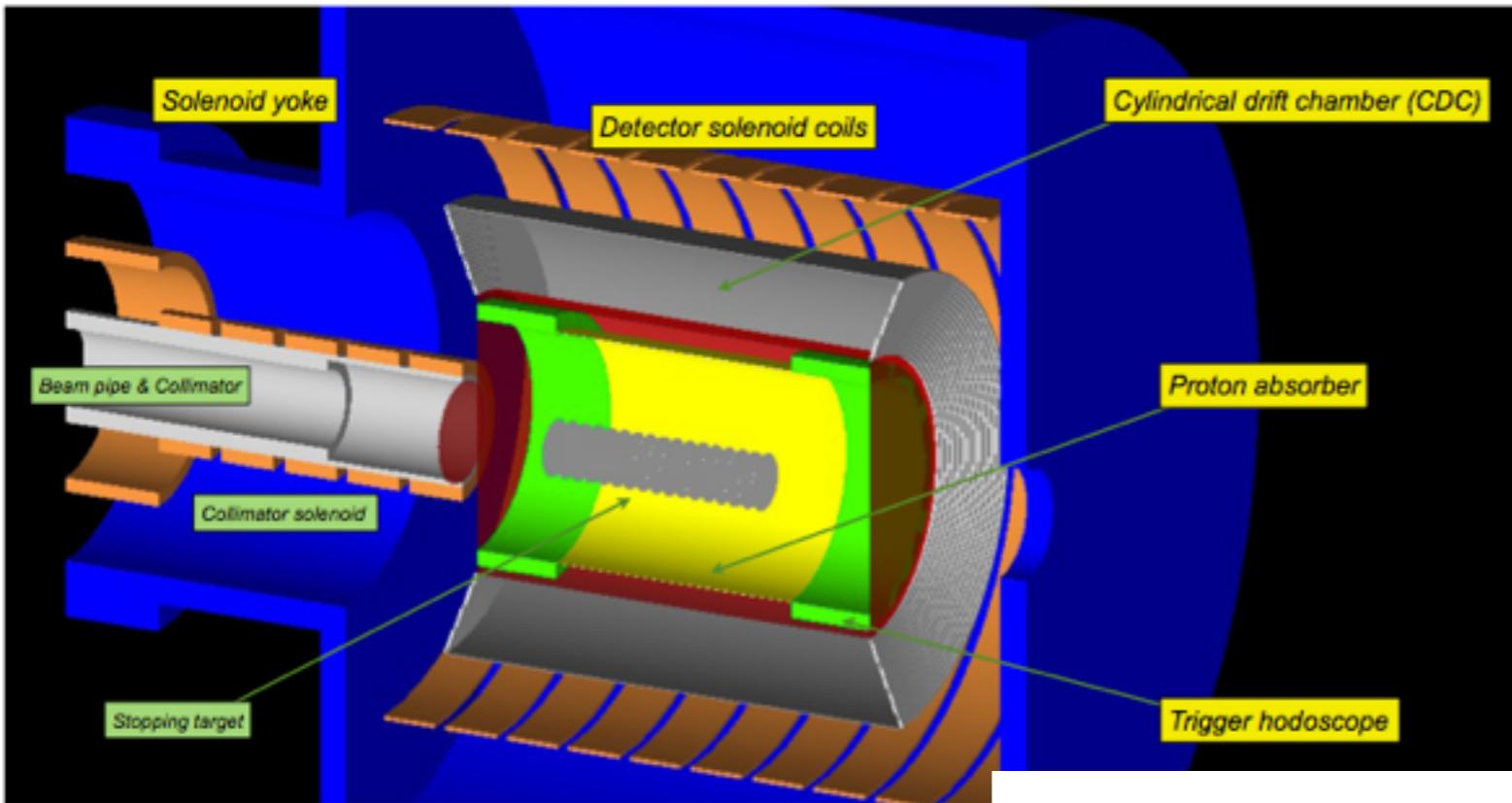
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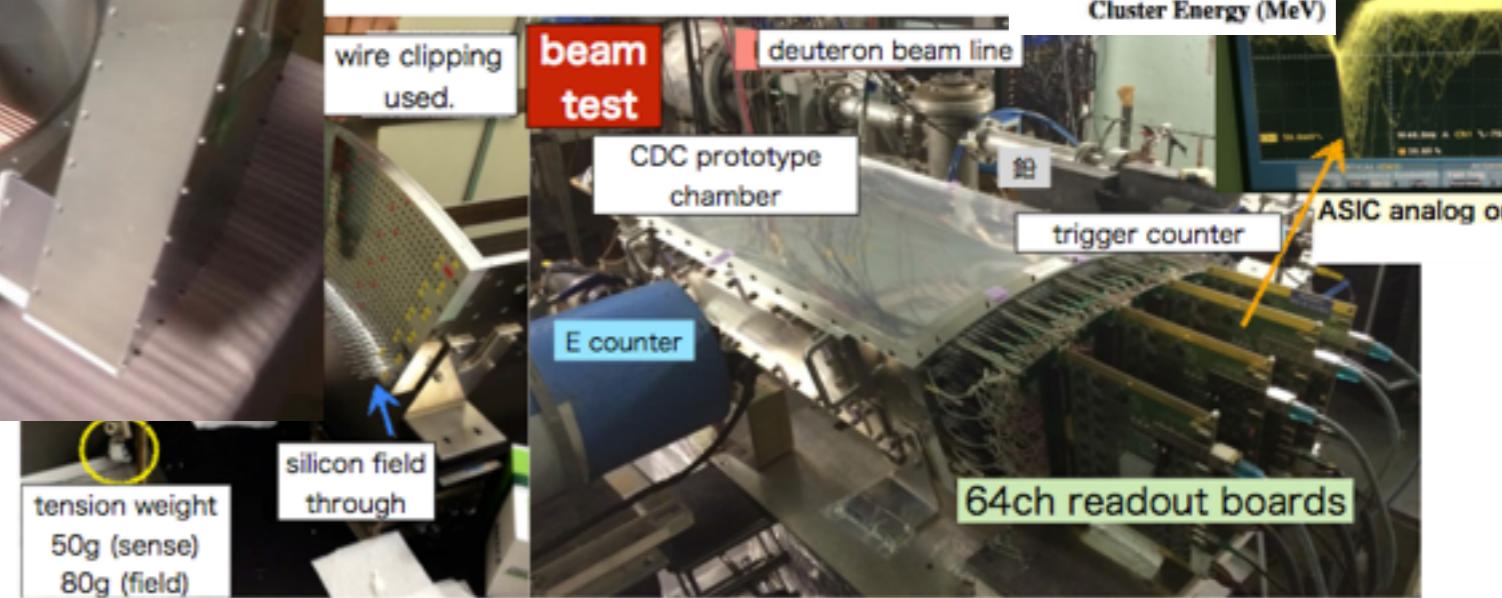
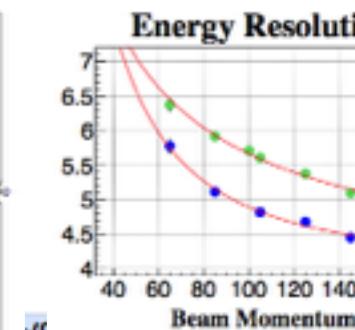
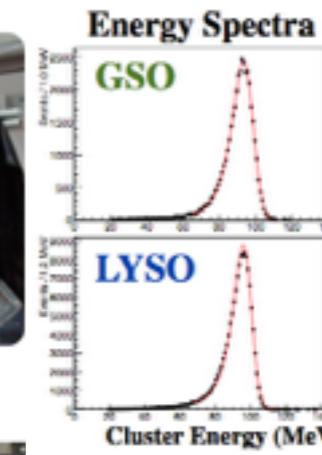
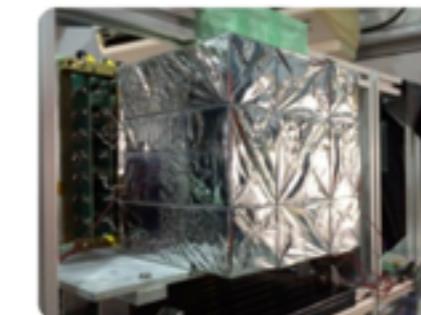
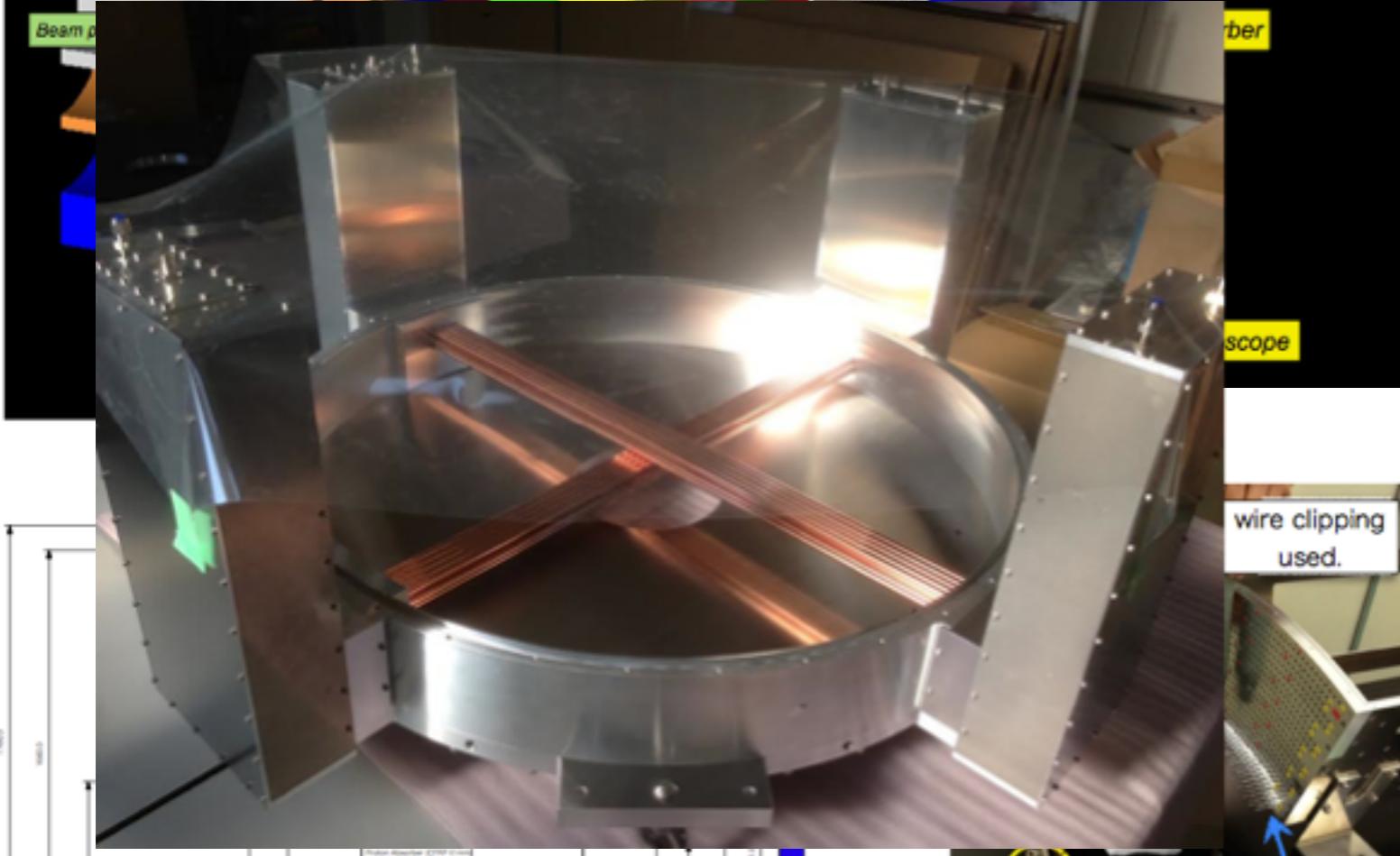
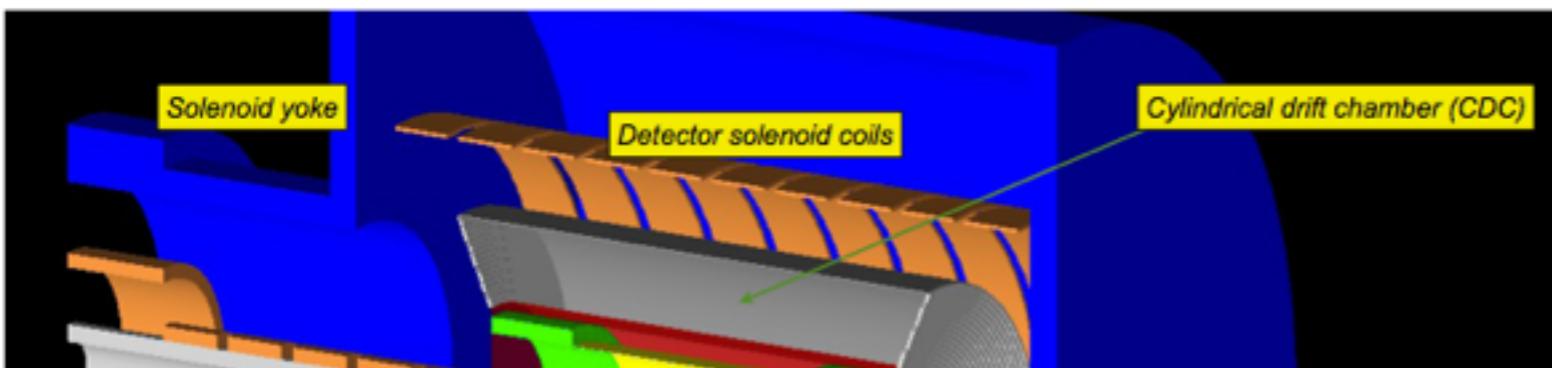
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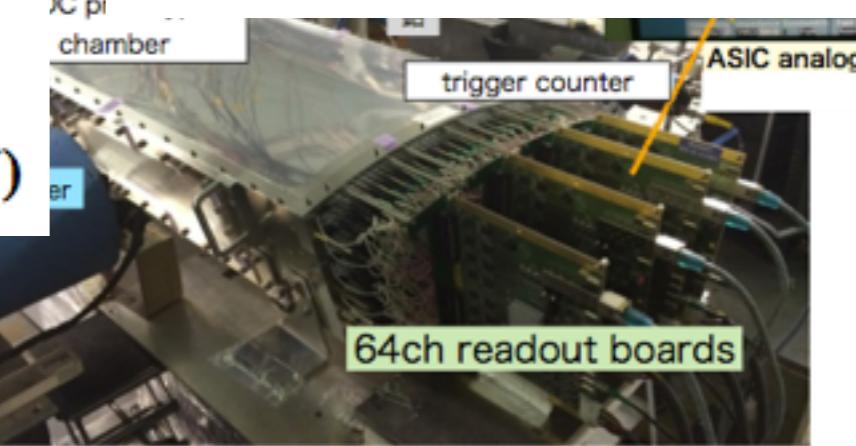
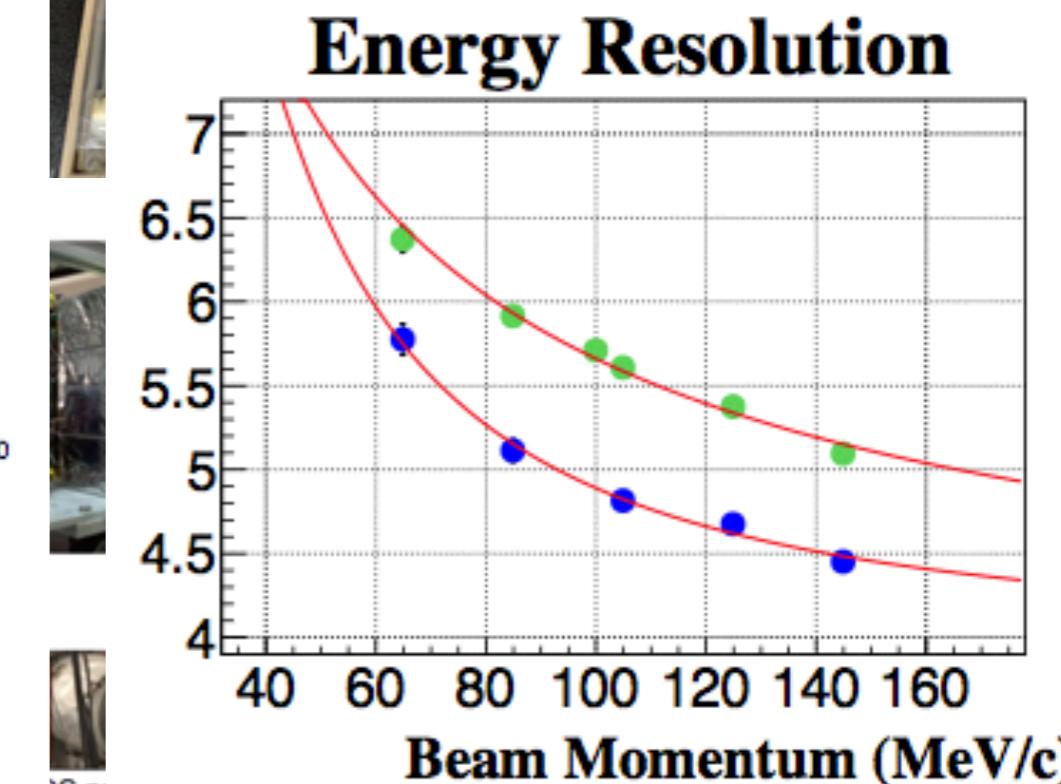
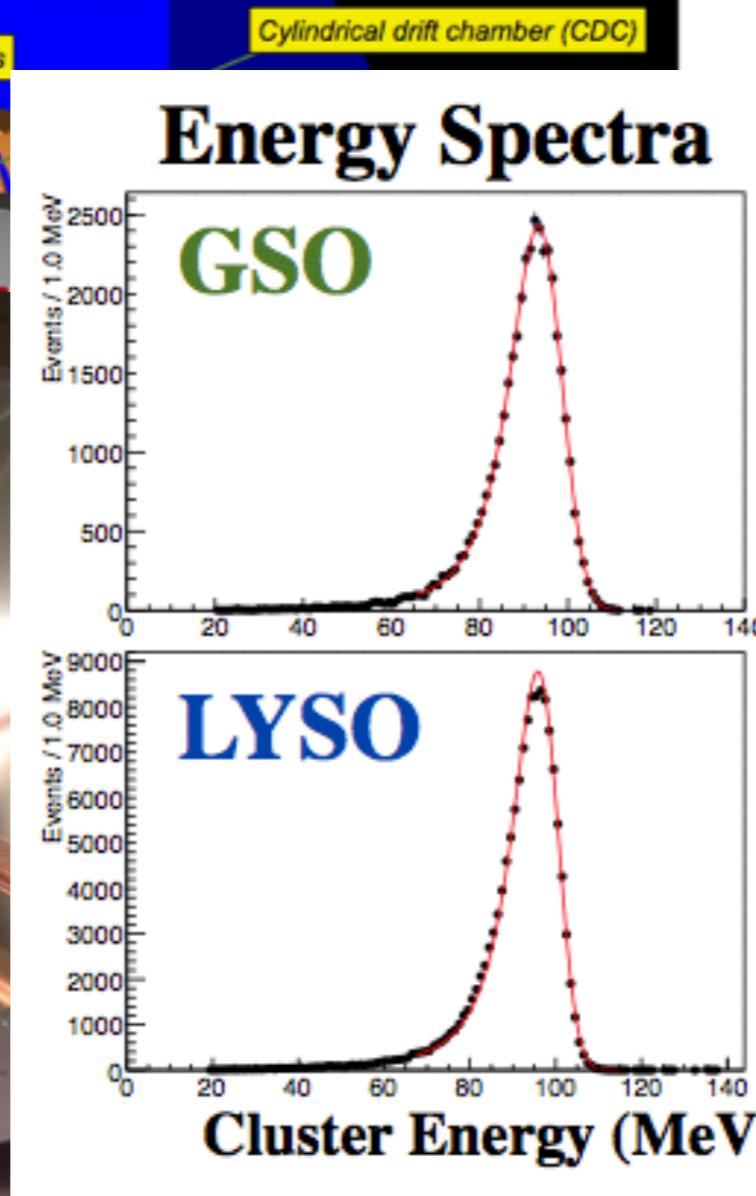
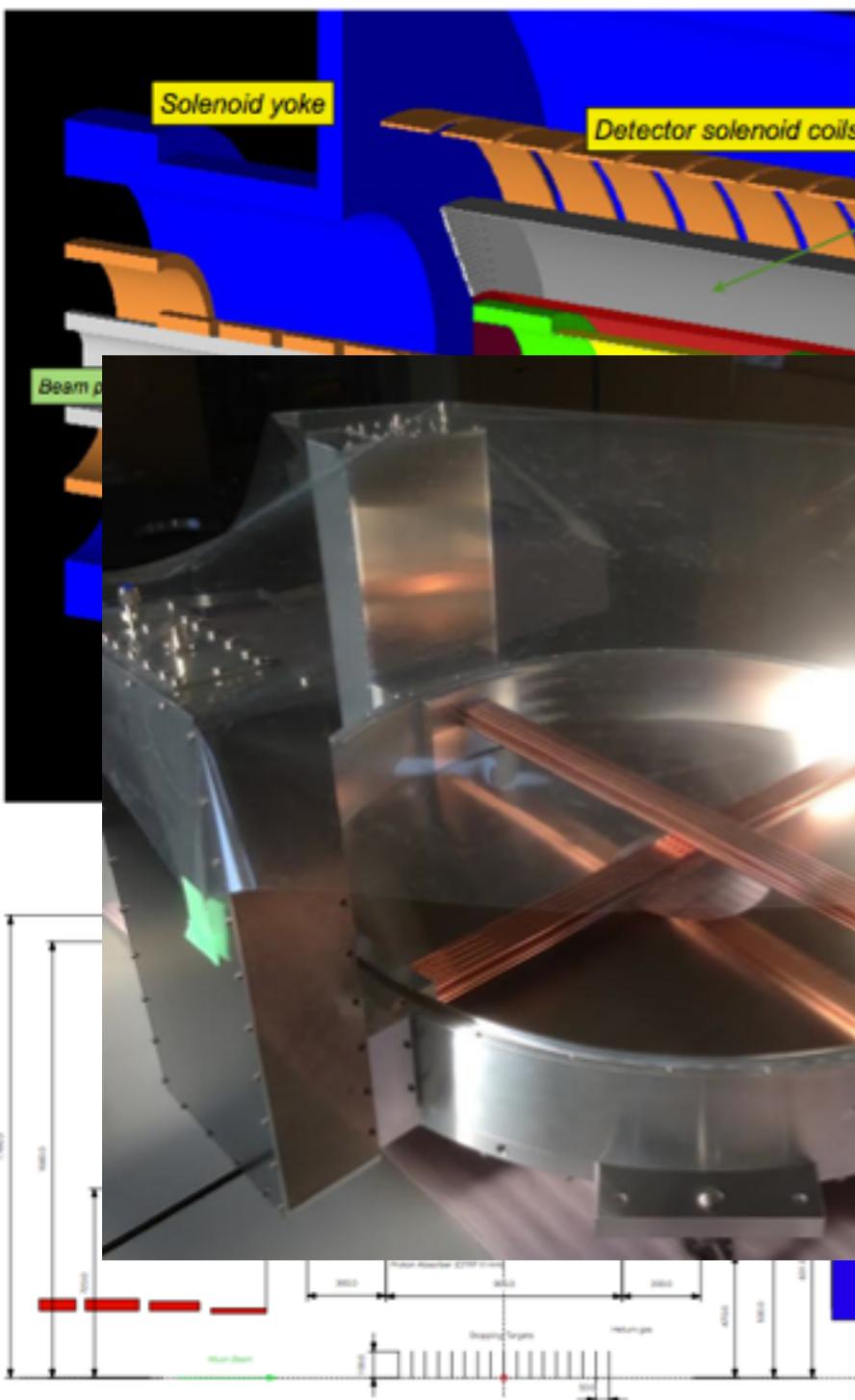
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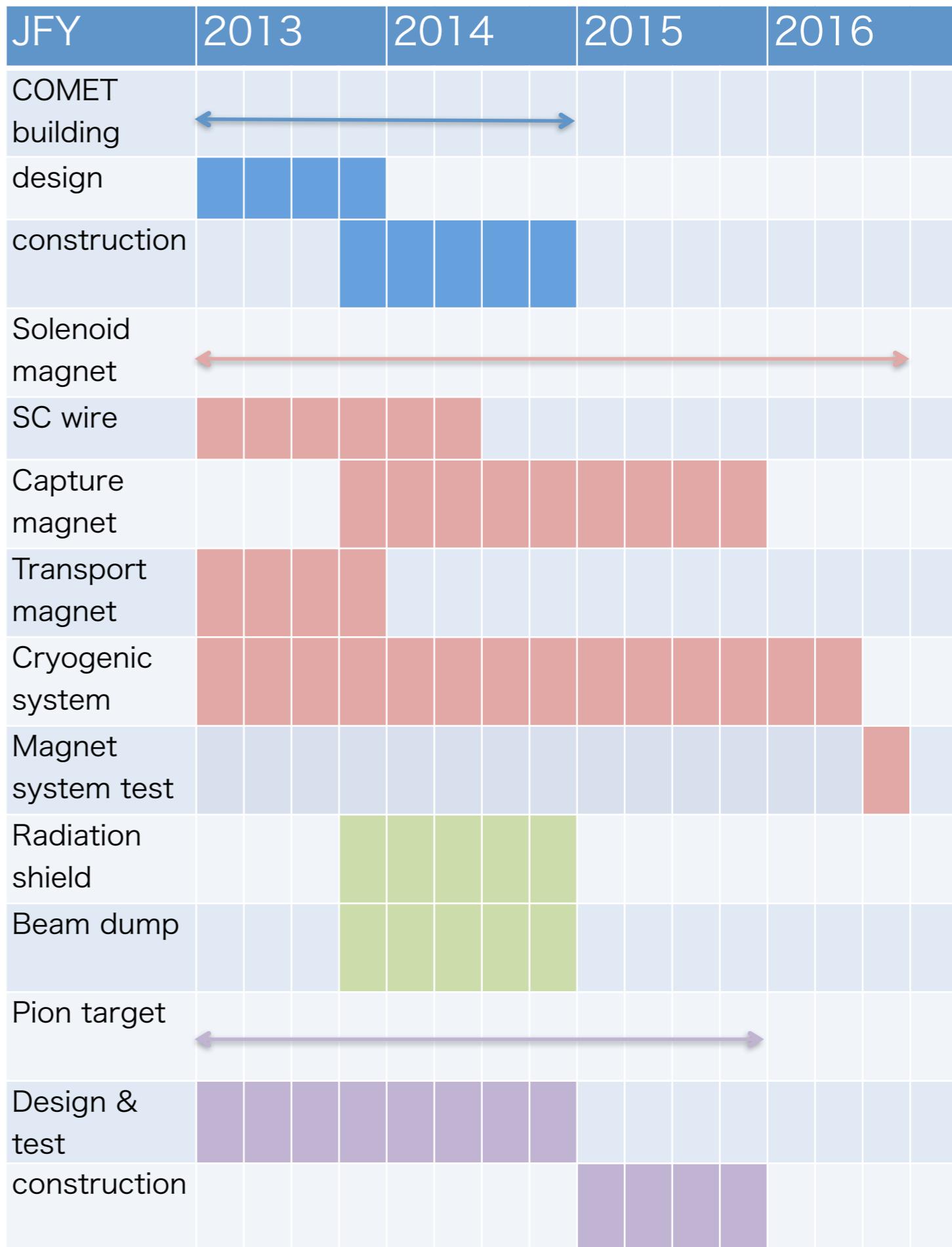


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# COMET Phase I Facility Schedule

- 2013
  - Design of the building & beam line
    - Bid tendering and start construction
  - Design of superconducting solenoid magnets and start of construction
    - Production of SC wires as well
  - Design of the pion production target
- 2014
  - Completion of the building
  - Construction of superconducting solenoid magnets
  - Start magnet and radiation shielding (and beam dump) installation
    - Transport solenoid
  - Start preparation of cryogenic system
  - Tests of the target production target
- 2015
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  - Installation of the target
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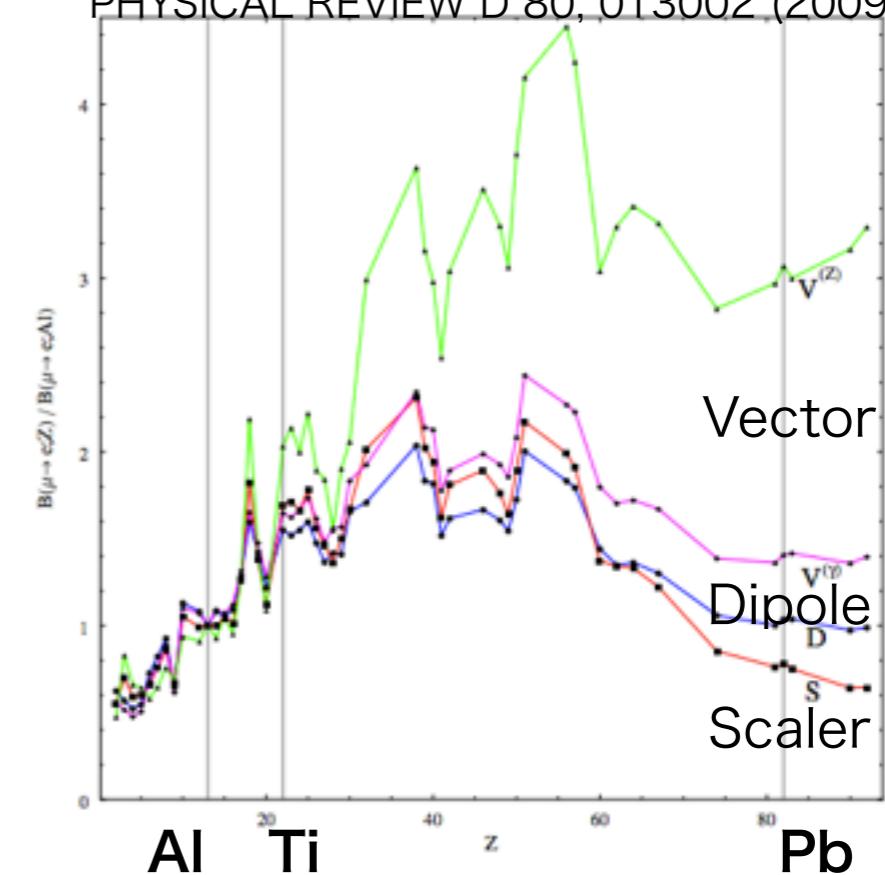
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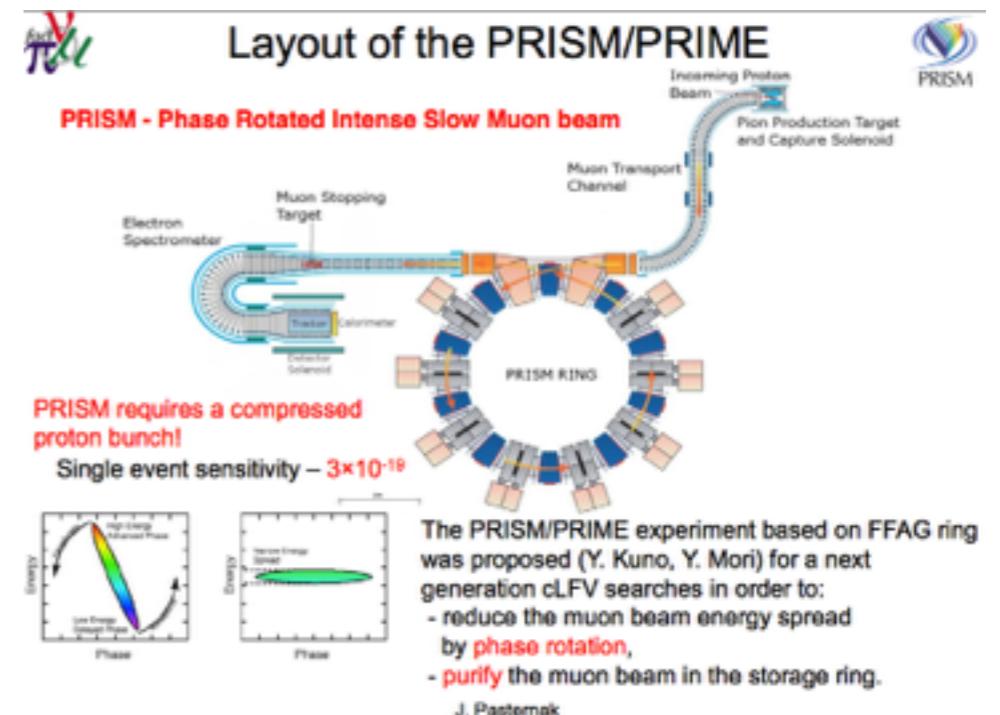
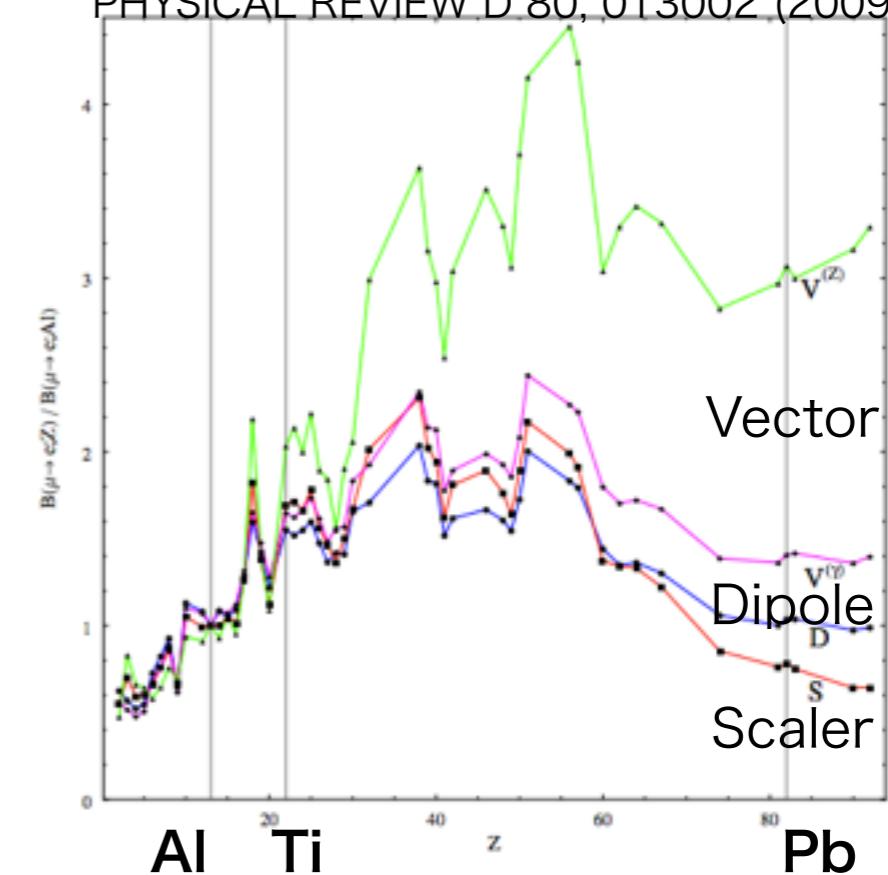


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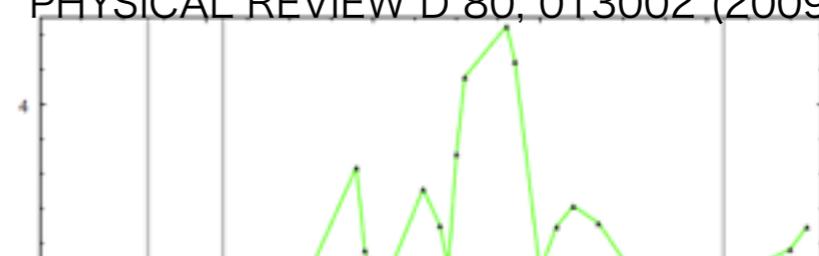


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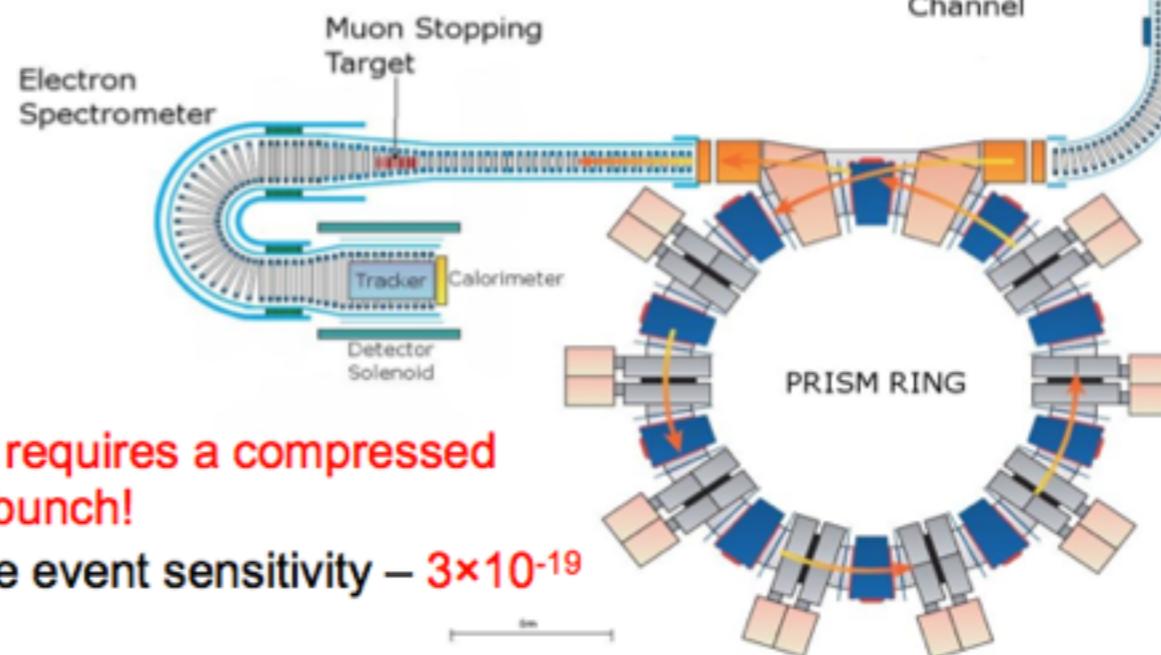


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## Layout of the PRISM/PRIME



PRISM - Phase Rotated Intense Slow Muon beam



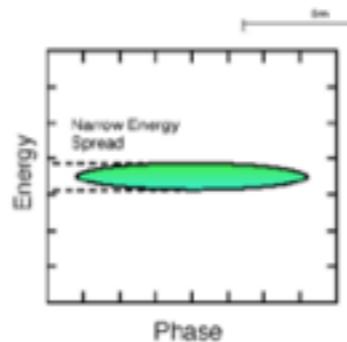
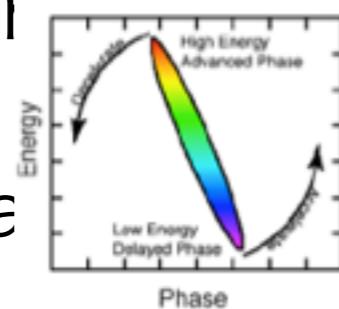
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PRISM requires a compressed proton bunch!

Single event sensitivity –  $3 \times 10^{-19}$



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The PRISM/PRIME experiment based on FFAG ring was proposed (Y. Kuno, Y. Mori) for a next generation cLFV searches in order to:

- reduce the muon beam energy spread by **phase rotation**,
- **purify** the muon beam in the storage ring.

# Summary

- cLFV as a clue to the new physics
- MEG & MEG II at PSI (R. Sawada's talk)
- New experiment at J-PARC in Japan
  - COMET collaboration searching for  $\mu$ -e conversion
  - $10^{-14}$  sensitivity in Phase I and  $10^{-16}$  in Phase II
  - Phase I facility construction is in progress to start the physics DAQ in 2016-2017
    - The facility is sufficient to accept Phase II beam power with additional radiation shielding