



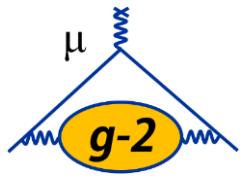
Doubling Down An Update from Run-2/3 of the Muon g-2 Experiment

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Outline

- Introduction
- Experiment
 - Experimental method
 - Systematics
 - This result
- Theory/Experiment Comparison
- Path forward

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from all around the
world working together
to calculate + measure
“just” 1 value!

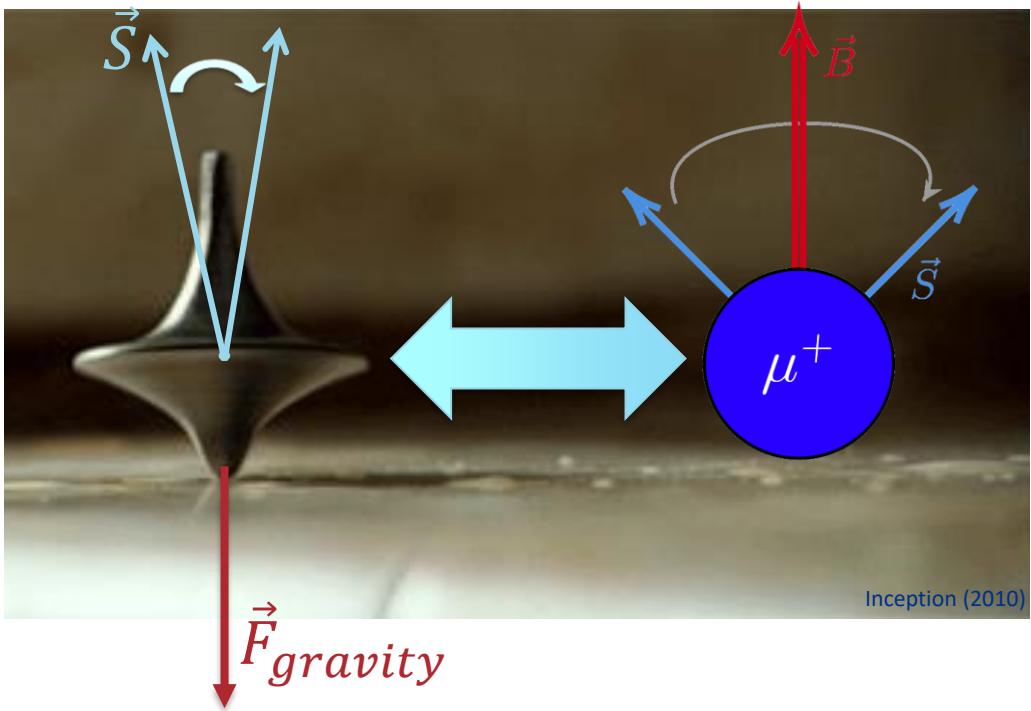


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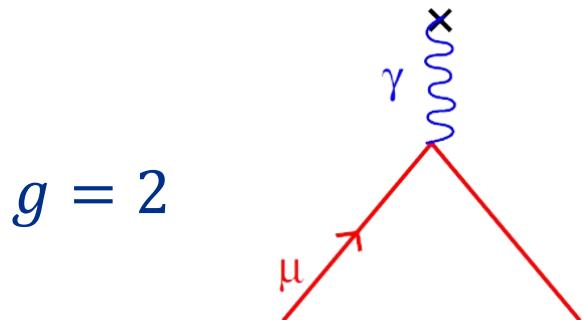
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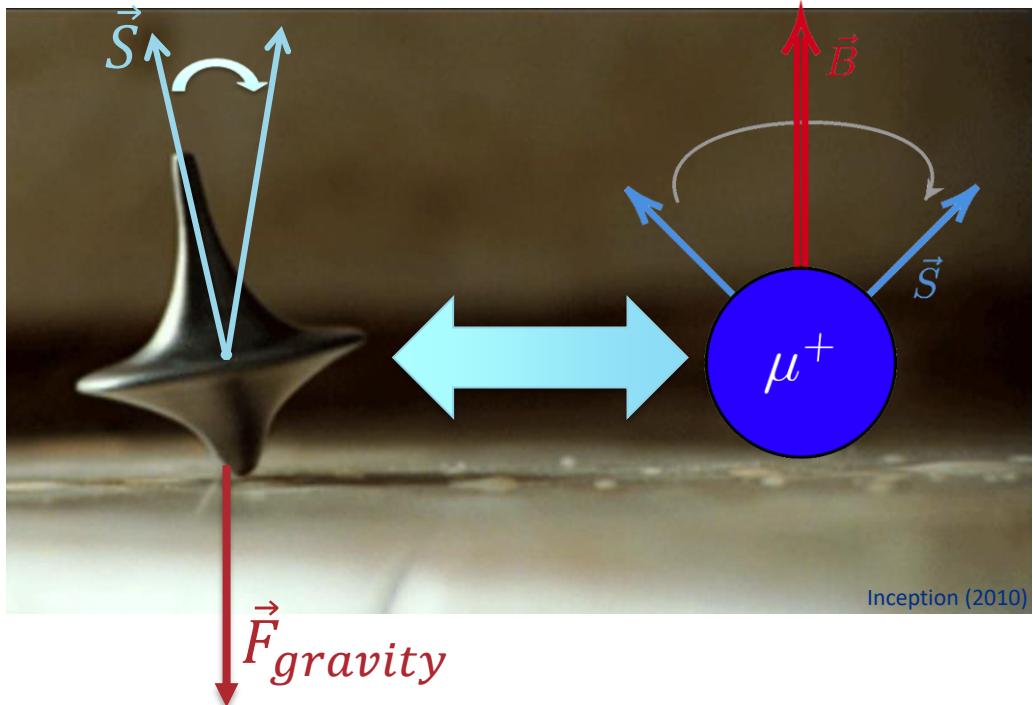
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Dirac's equation predicts, for a spin-1/2 charged fermion:



$$g = 2$$



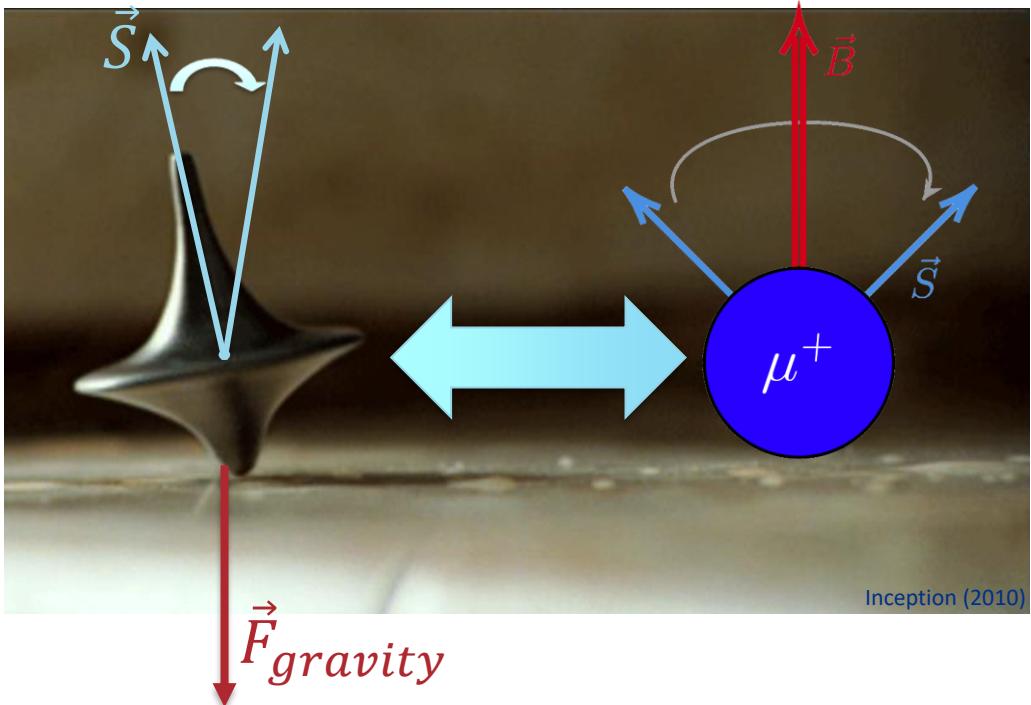
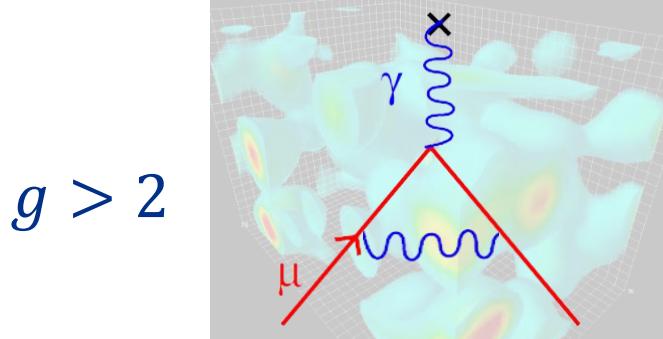
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Interactions with virtual particles alter the value, making it slightly greater than 2



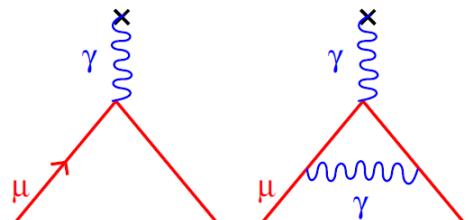
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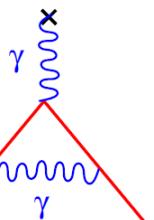


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$$+ .00116 \dots$$

QED



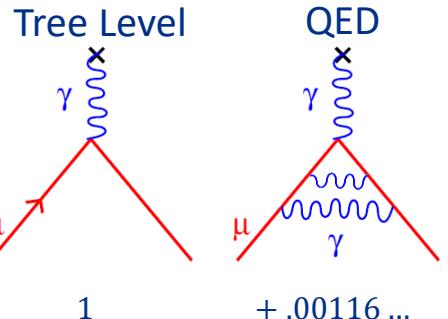
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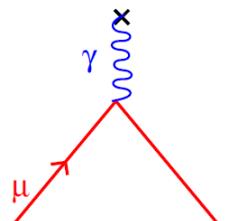
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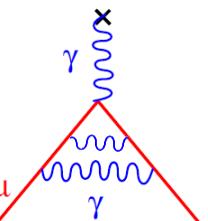
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HVP***	6845	40	343
HLbL	92	18	154
EW	153.6	1.0	8.6
Total	116,591,810	43	368

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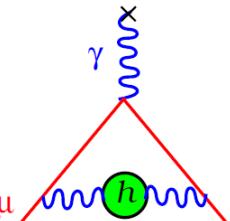


$$g = 2(1 + .00116 \dots + .00000006845 \dots + .000000000092 \dots + .0000000001536 \dots + \mathcal{O}(100 * 10^{-11}))$$

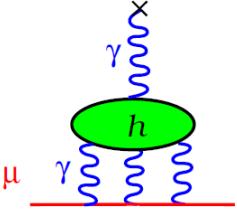
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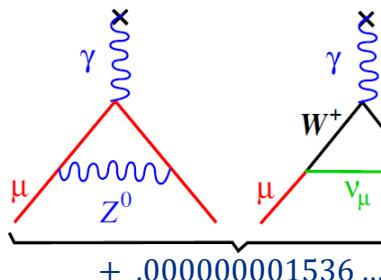
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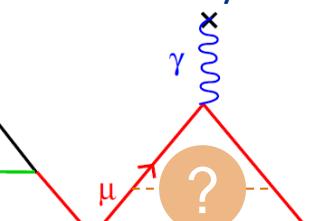
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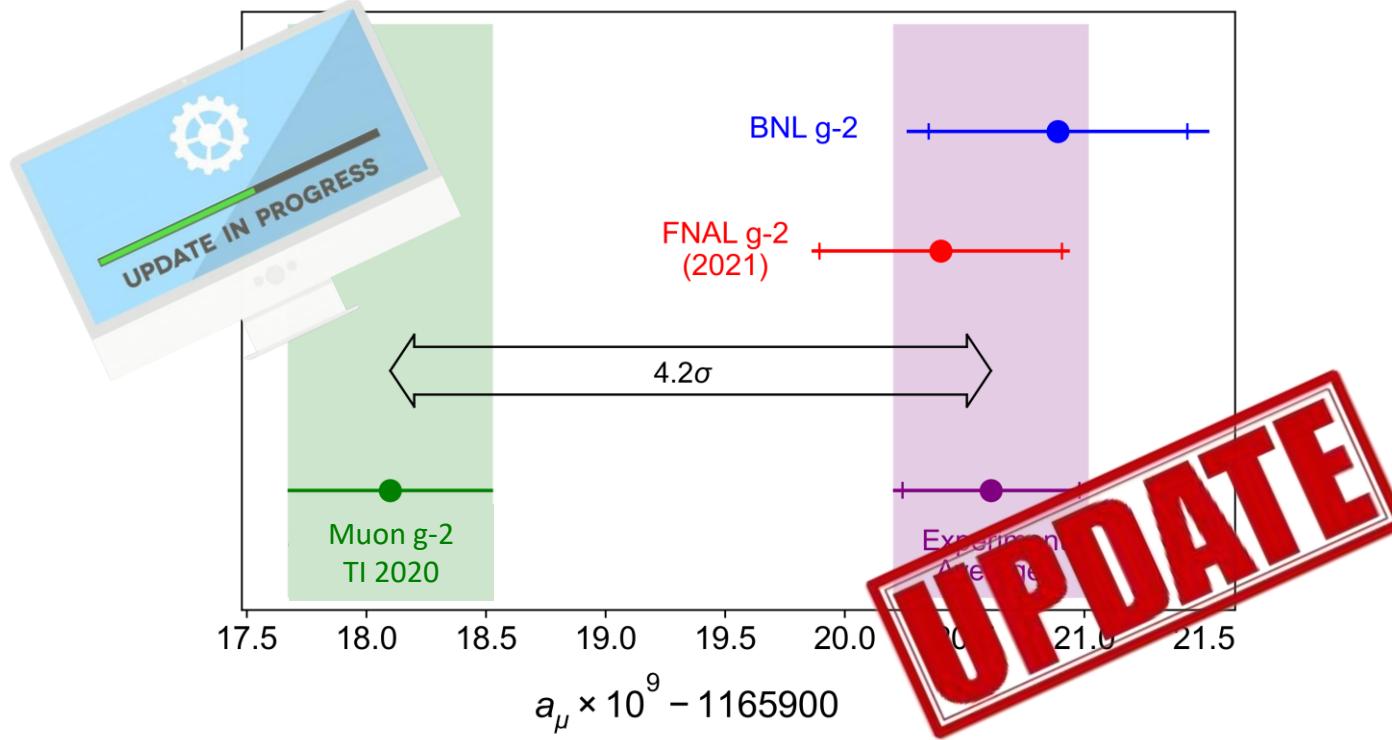
Electroweak



New Physics?



Where we were in 2021



The anomalous magnetic moment of the muon in the Standard Model

[Physics Reports Volume 887](#), 3 December 2020, Pages 1-166

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.physrep.2020.07.006>

[Measurement of the Positive Muon Anomalous Magnetic Moment to 0.46 ppm](#)

[Phys. Rev. Lett. 126, 141801 – Published 7 April 2021](#)

Muon g-2 in a Storage Ring: ω_s vs. ω_c

In a storage ring, the spin of a muon will precess to first order like:

$$\frac{d\vec{s}}{dt} = \vec{\mu} \times (\vec{B} - \vec{\beta} \times \vec{E})$$

$$= \vec{\omega}_s = -\frac{ge}{2m}\vec{B} - (1-\gamma)\frac{e\vec{B}}{\gamma m}$$

and the momentum will precess like:

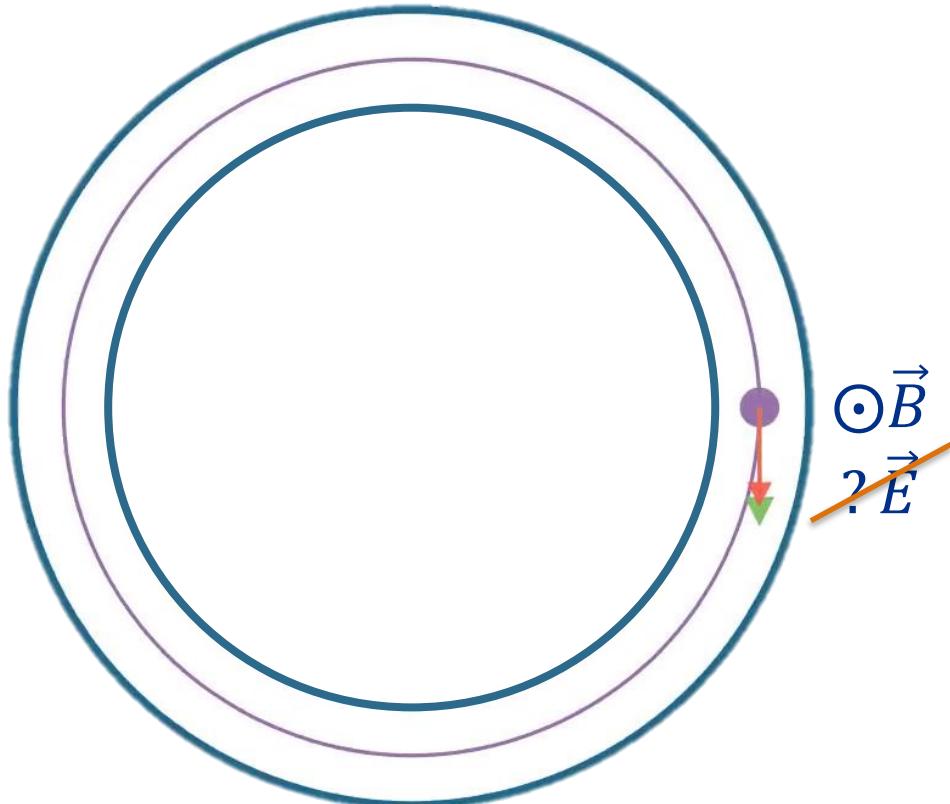
$$\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = \vec{\omega}_c = -\frac{e\vec{B}}{\gamma m}$$

The difference in these precession frequencies is:

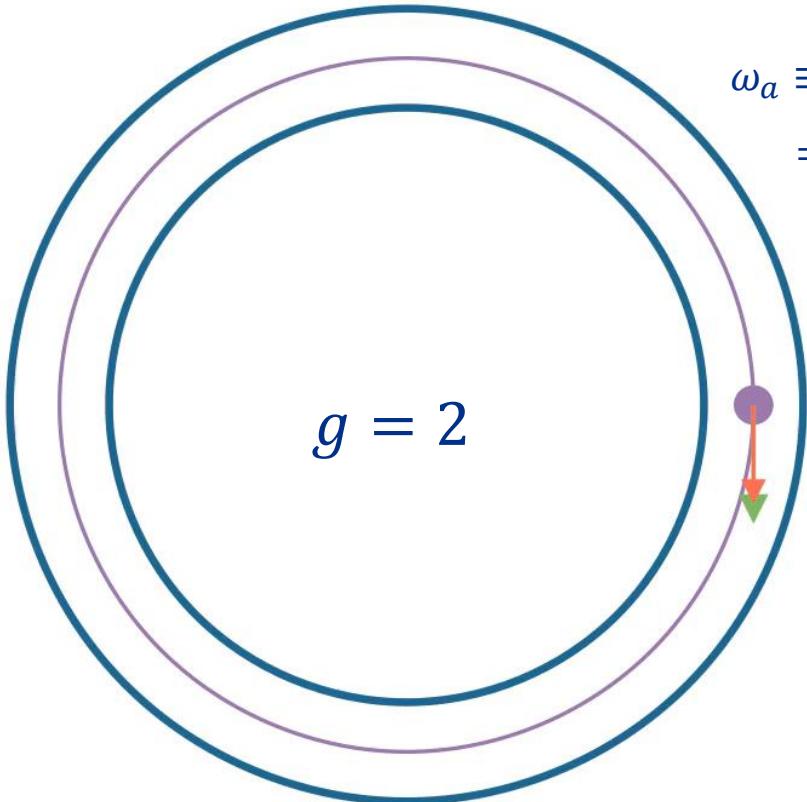
$$\vec{\omega}_a \equiv \vec{\omega}_s - \vec{\omega}_c = a_\mu \frac{e\vec{B}}{m}$$

where

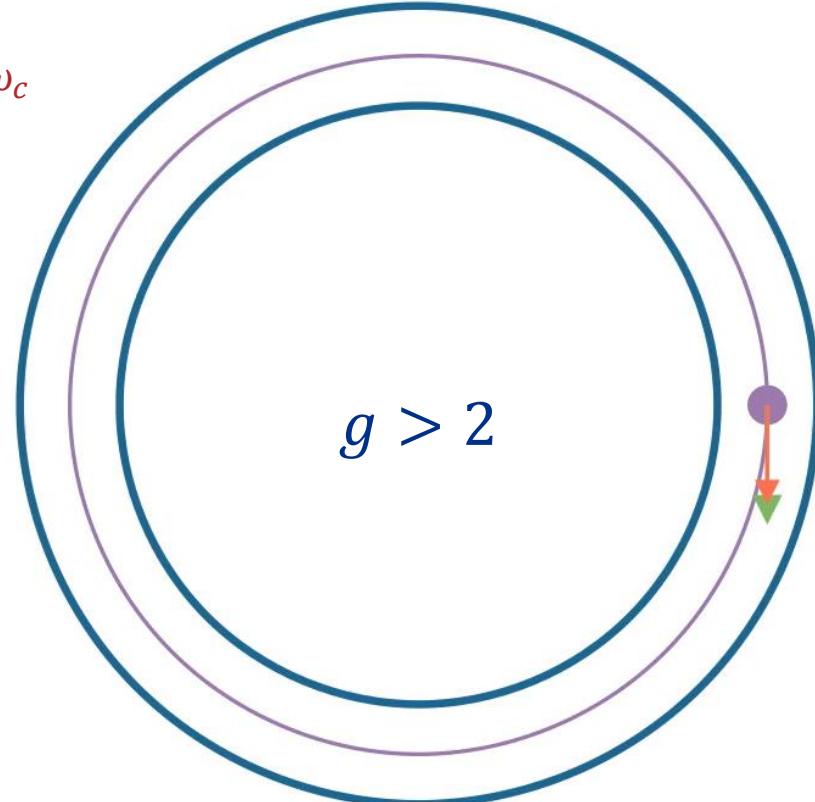
$$a_\mu \equiv \frac{g-2}{2}$$



In a Storage Ring ω_a is Directly Sensitive to a_μ

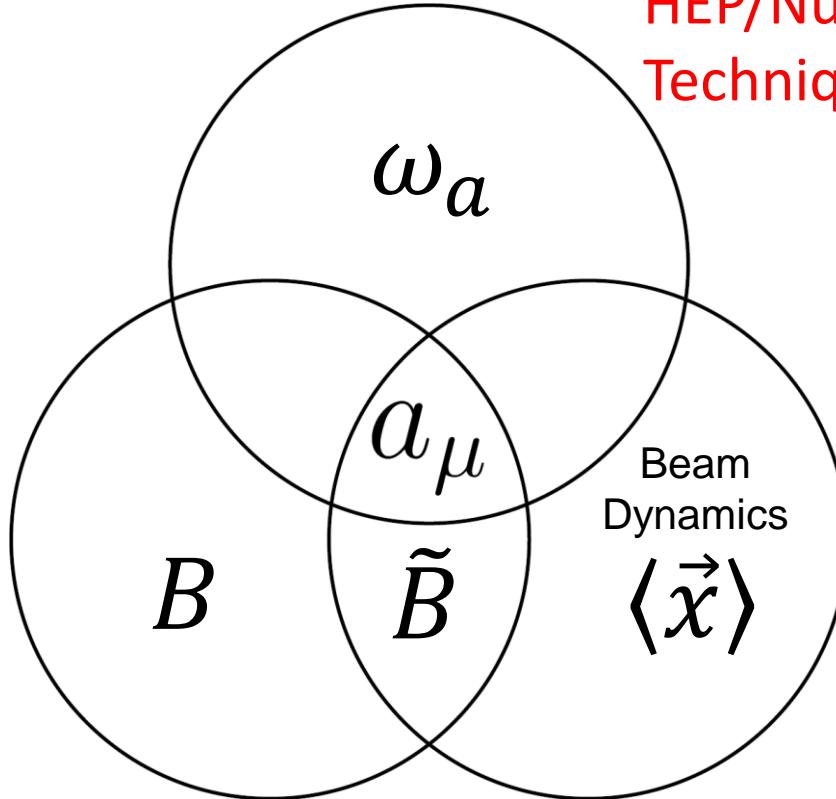


$$\begin{aligned}\omega_a &\equiv \omega_s - \omega_c \\ &= a_\mu \frac{eB}{m}\end{aligned}$$



$$a_\mu = \frac{\omega_a m}{\tilde{B}} \frac{m}{e} + \dots$$

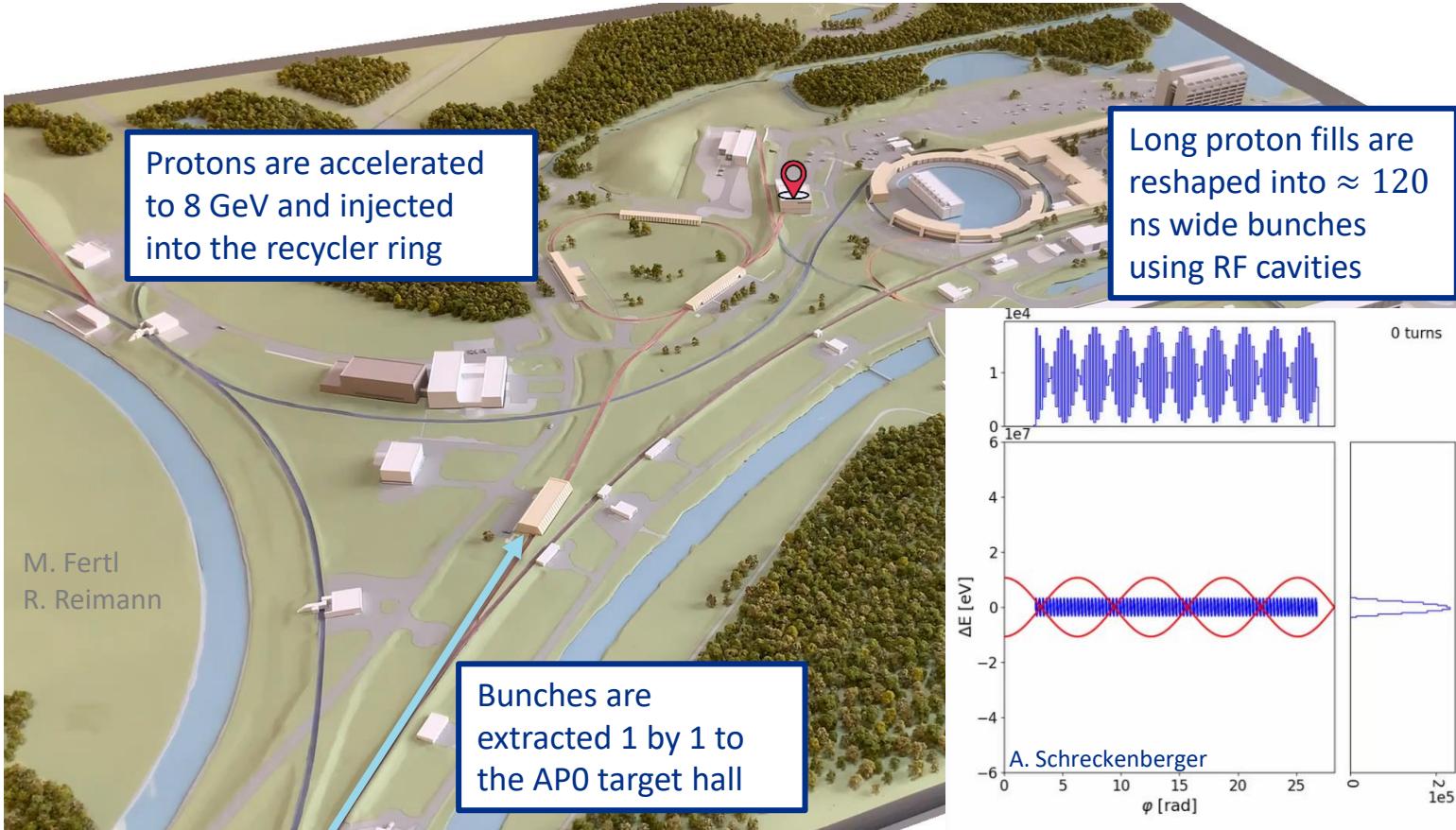
Precise
NMR
Metrology



'Traditional'
HEP/Nuclear Physics
Techniques

Accelerator
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Muon Production and the Beamlines



How Muons are Made

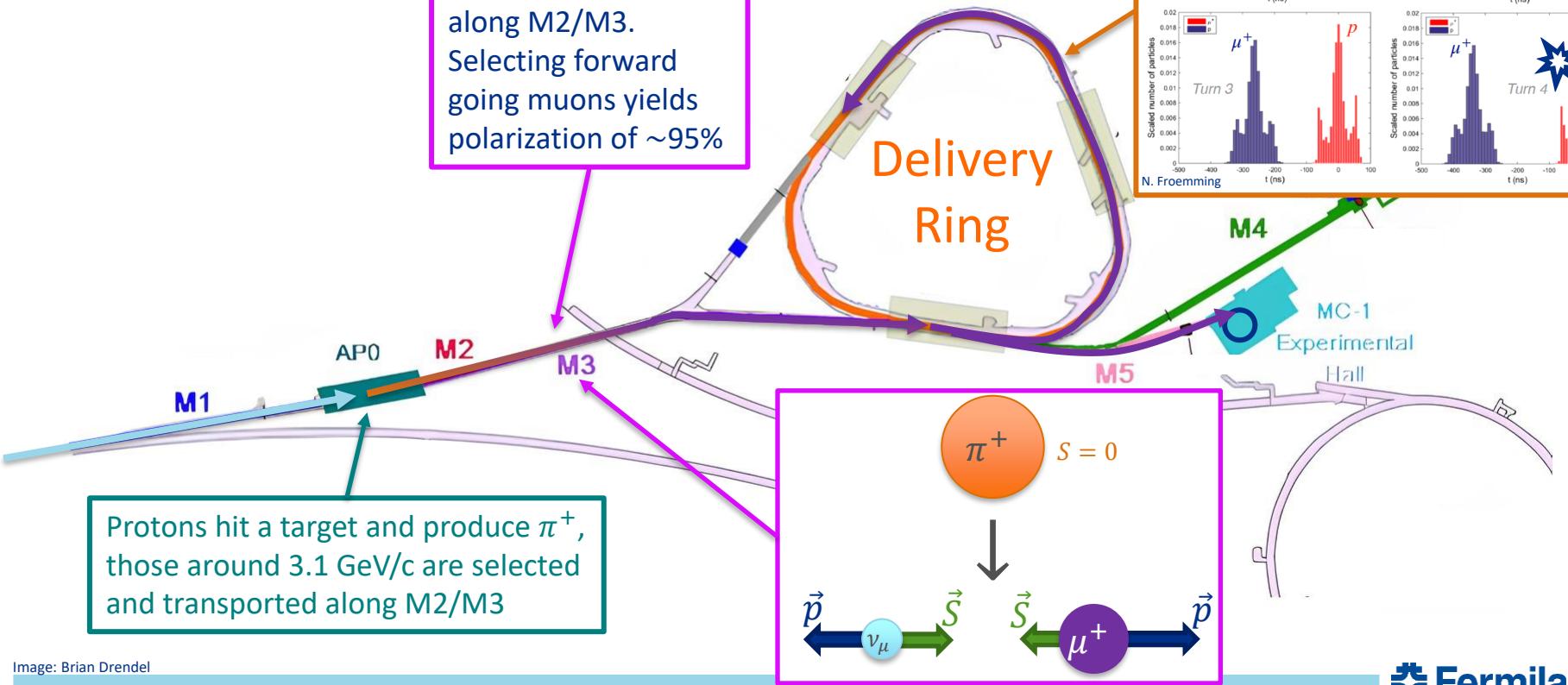


Image: Brian Drendel

Previous Generation: E821 at BNL

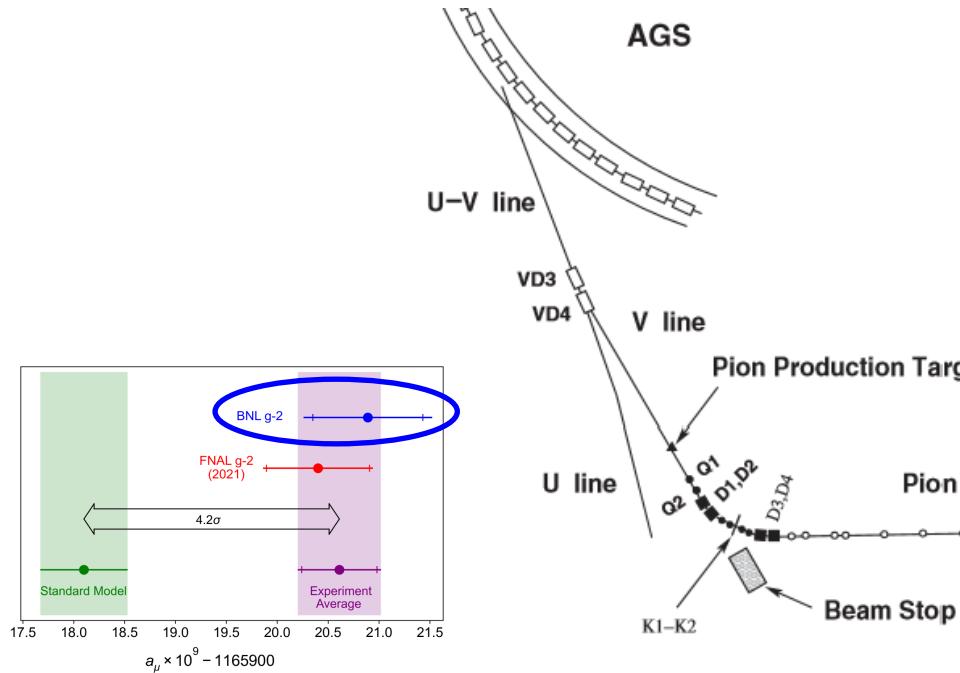
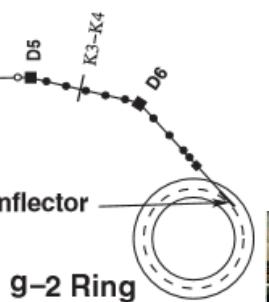
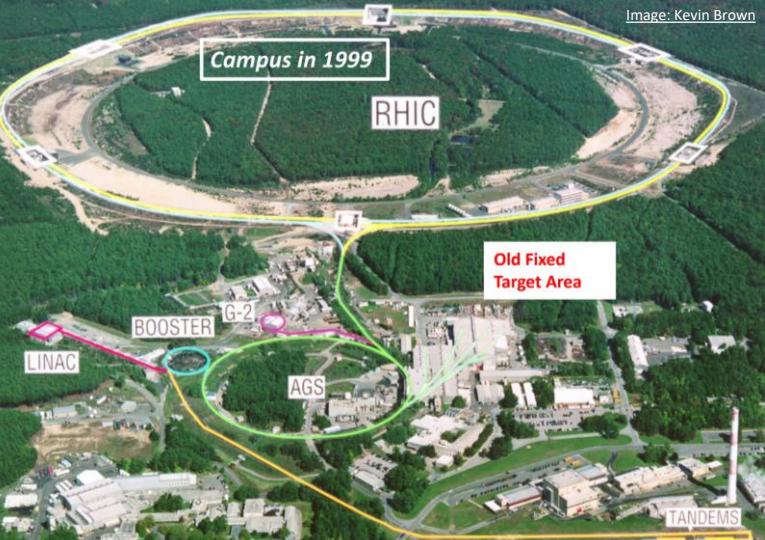


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In An Alternate Universe...

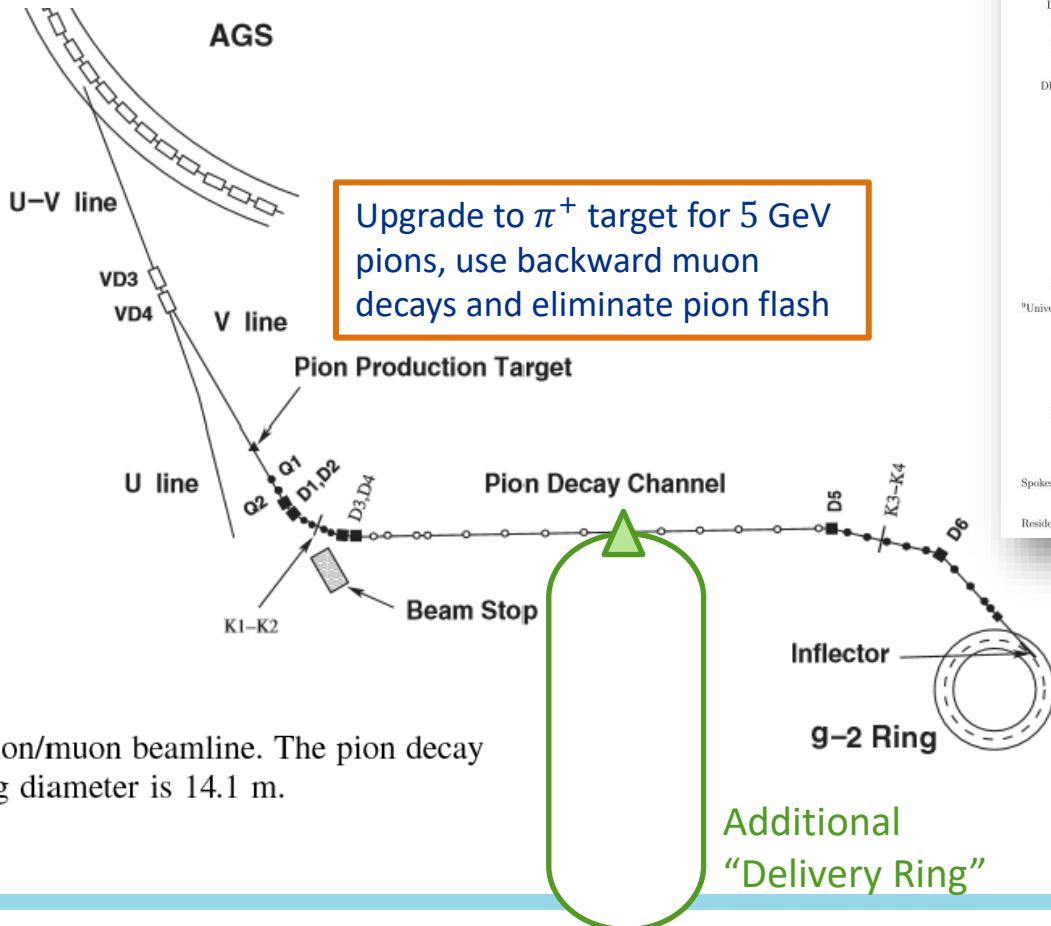


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A ($g - 2$) _{μ} Experiment to ± 0.2 ppm Precision

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Fast extracted proton beam to the V-target. 12 or 24 bunches per AGS cycle, 60 TP per cycle, minimum possible AGS cycle time.

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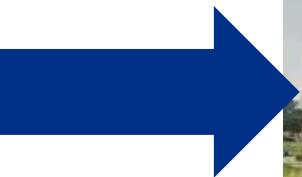
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The Big Move: A Last Look at the Muon g-2 Ring's Departure from Brookhaven

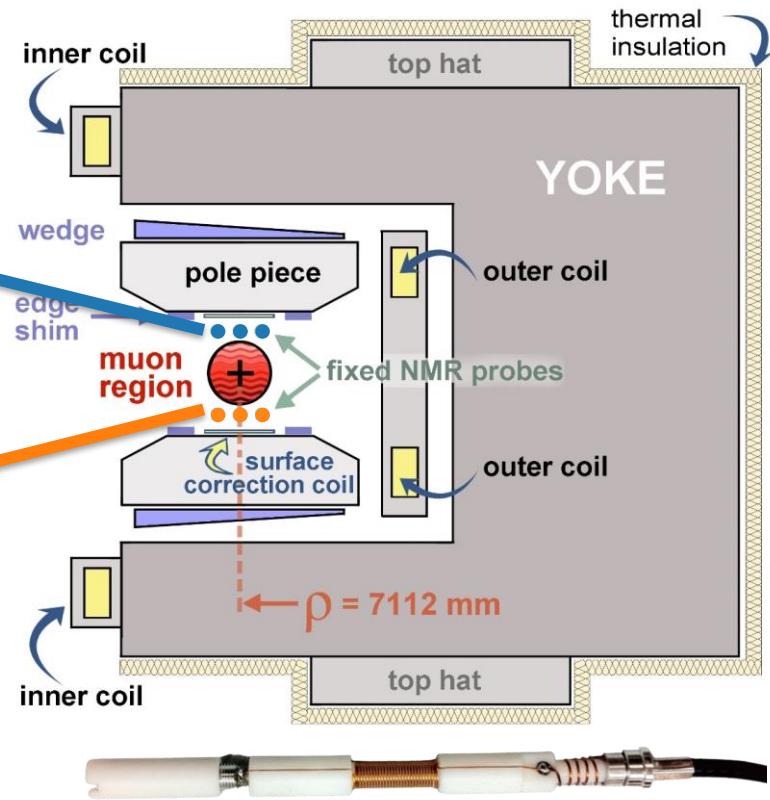
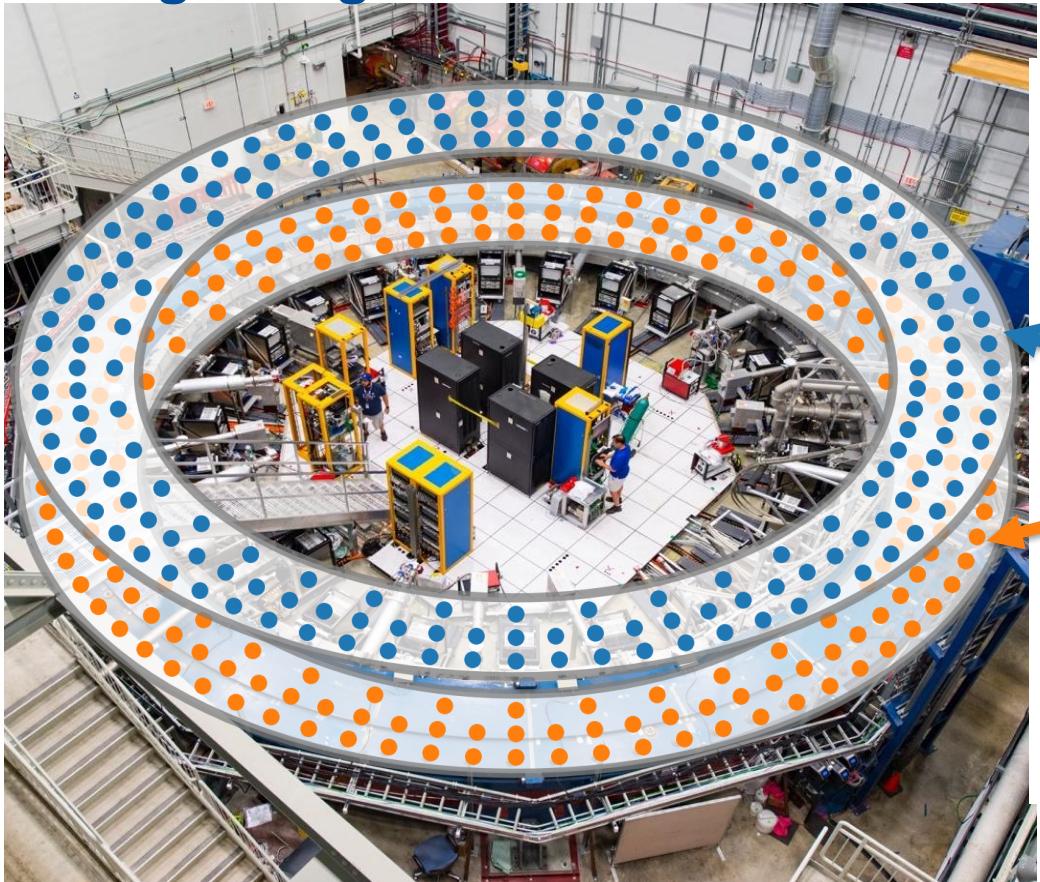
Brookhaven employees and expert engineers guided the massive electromagnet across Long Island in the first leg of its journey to Illinois

August 8, 2013

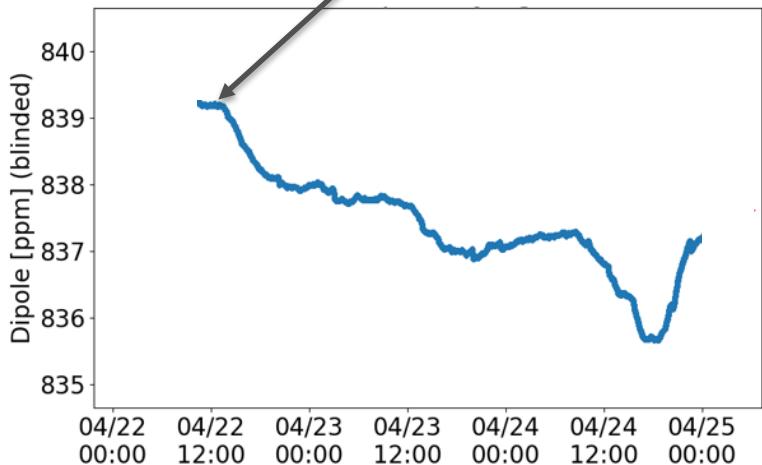
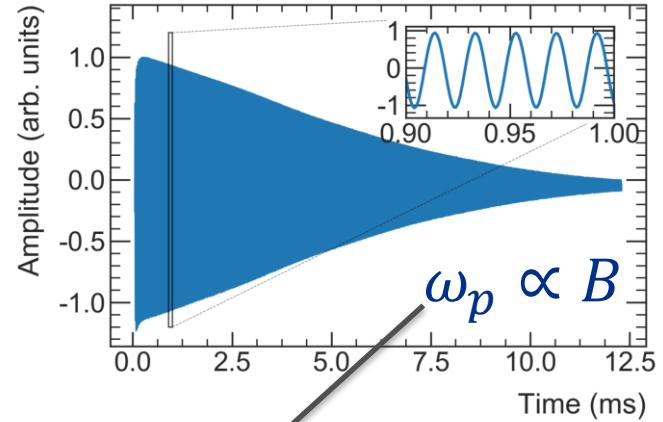
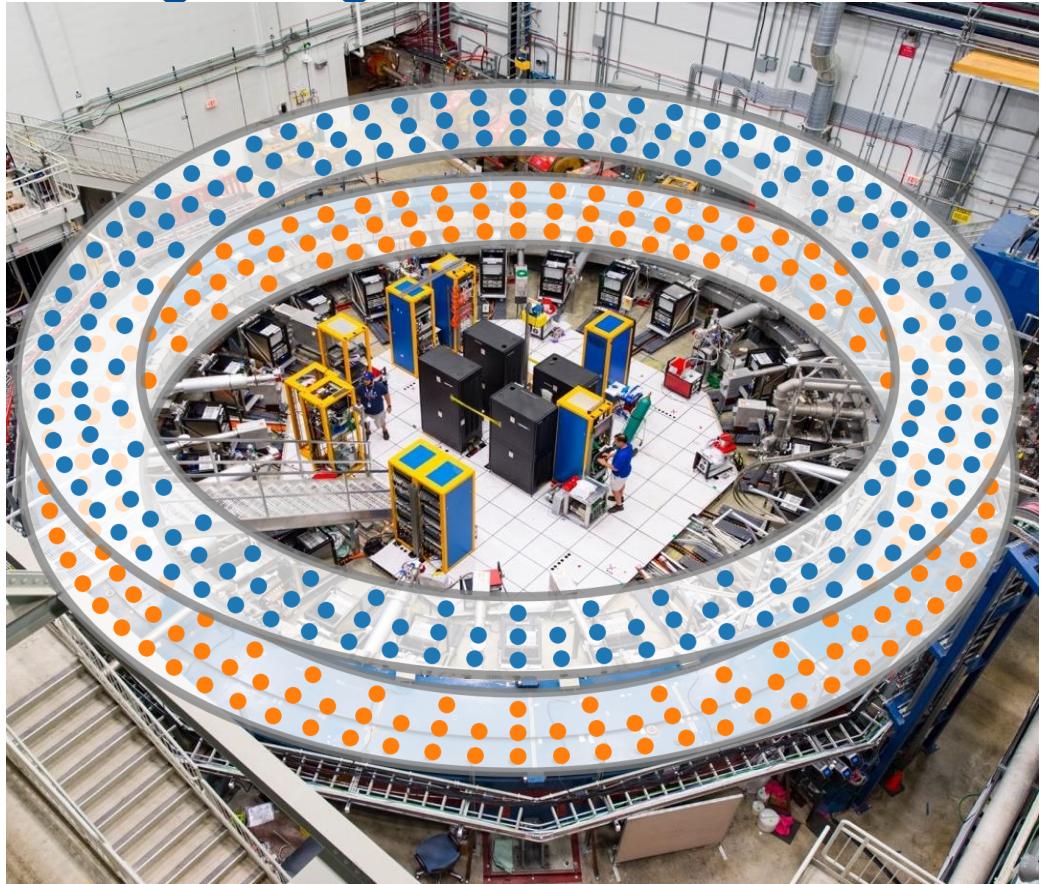


The massive electromagnetic muon storage ring can be seen here exiting the building where it gave Brookhaven Lab researchers a tantalizing glimpse of physics beyond the Standard Model.

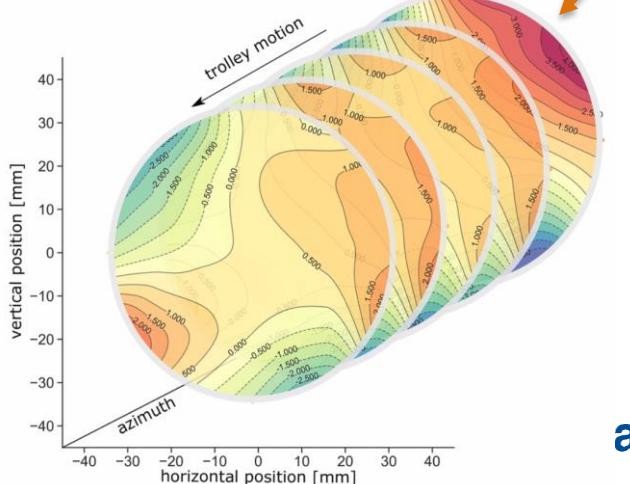
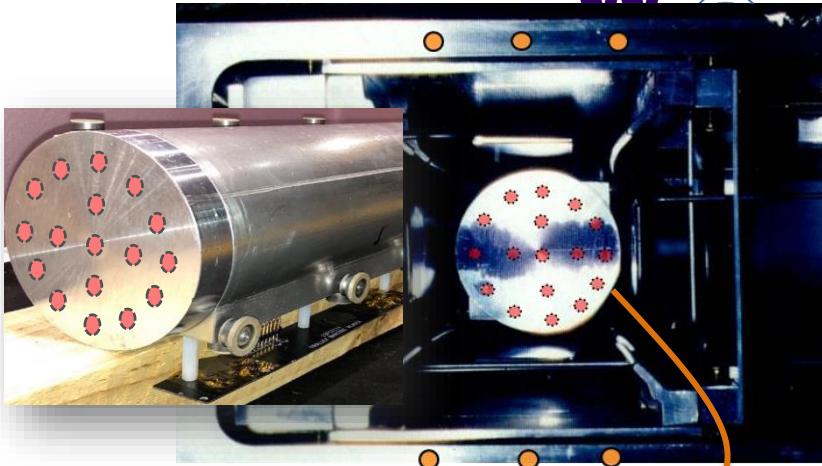
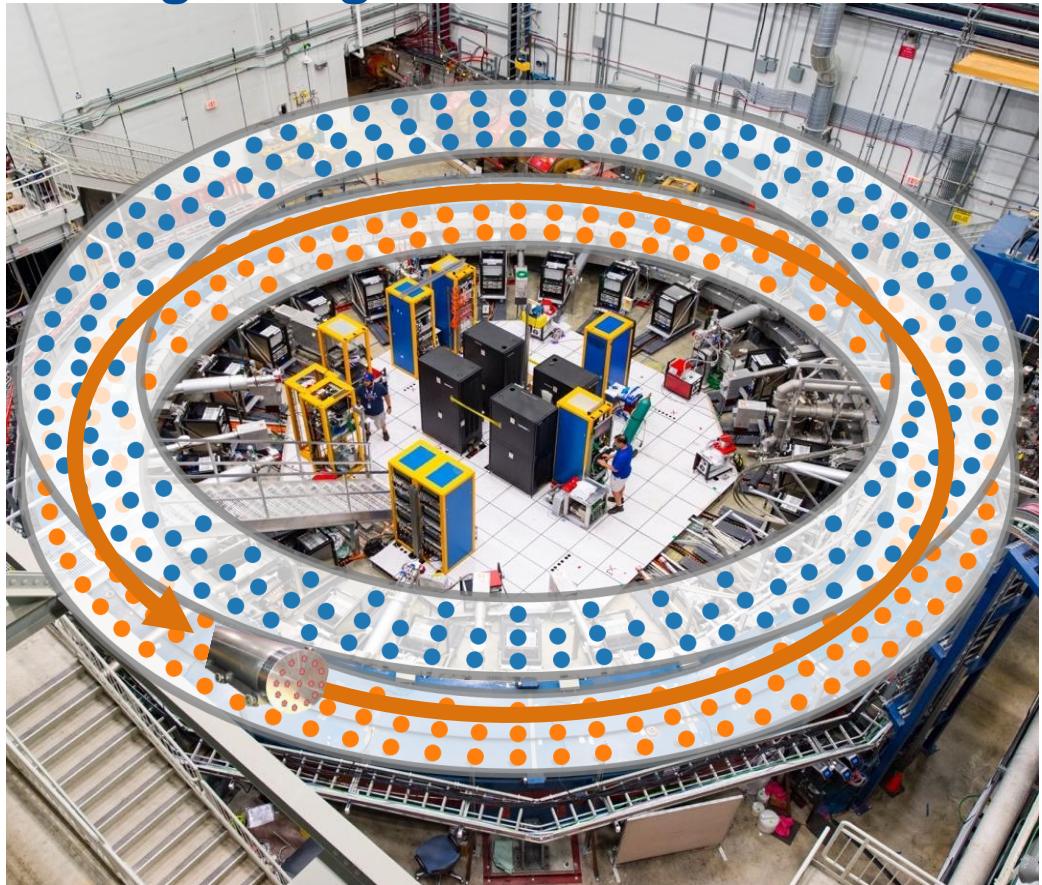
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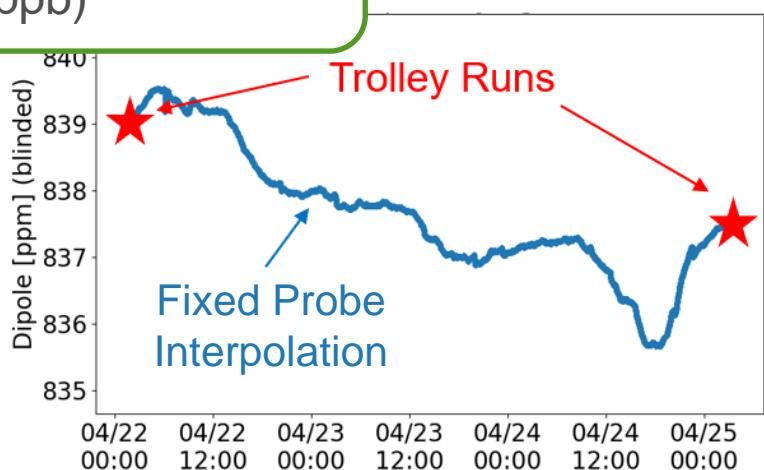
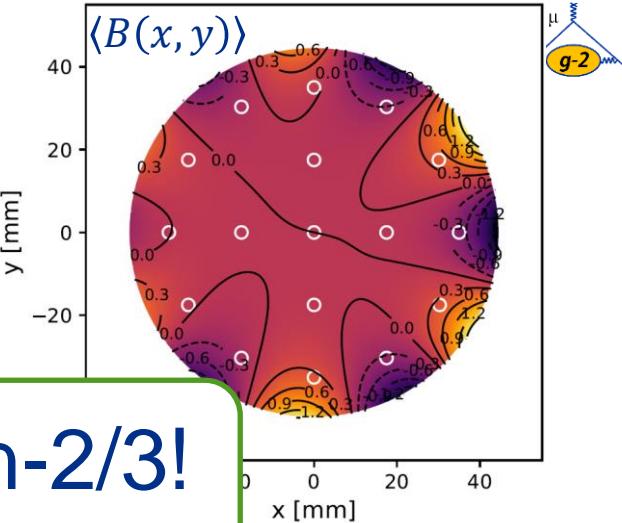
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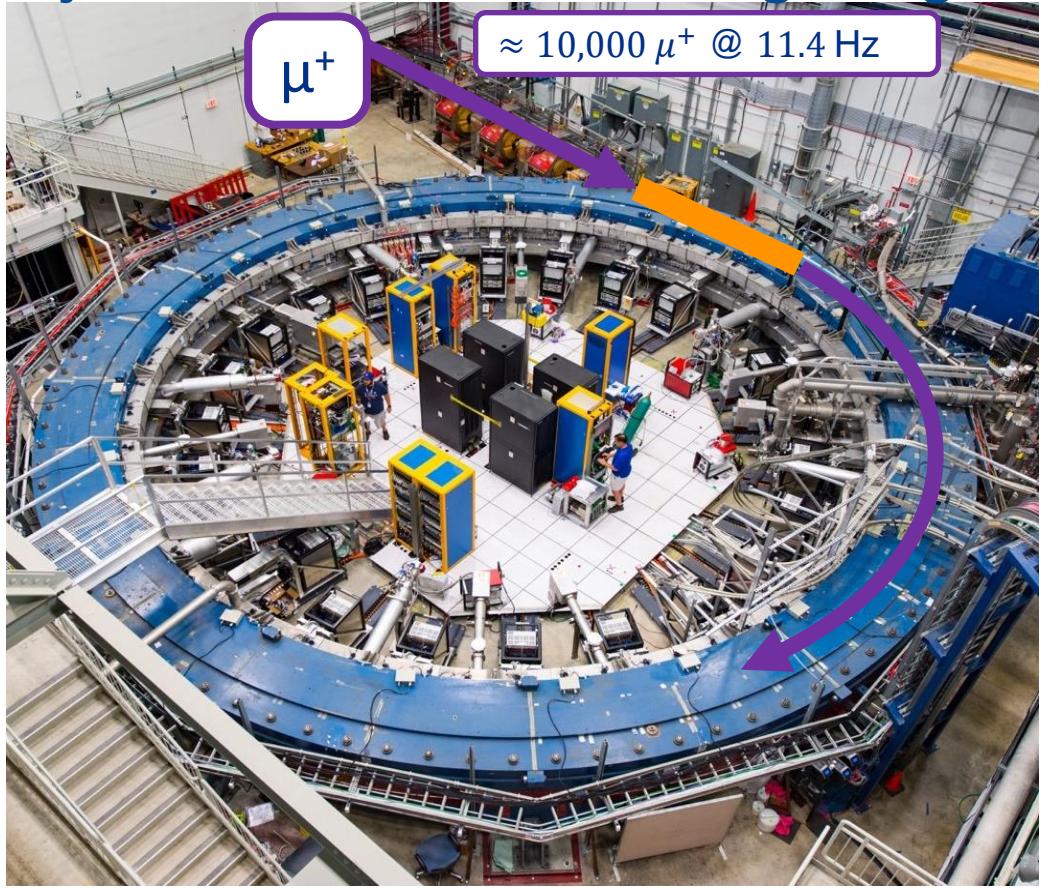
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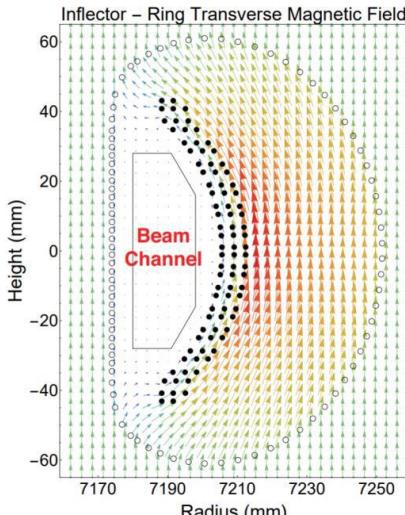
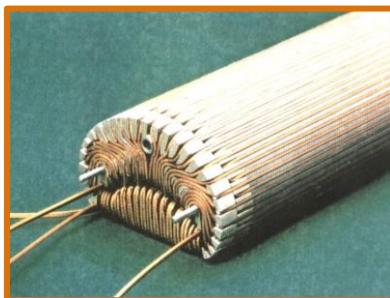
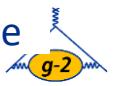
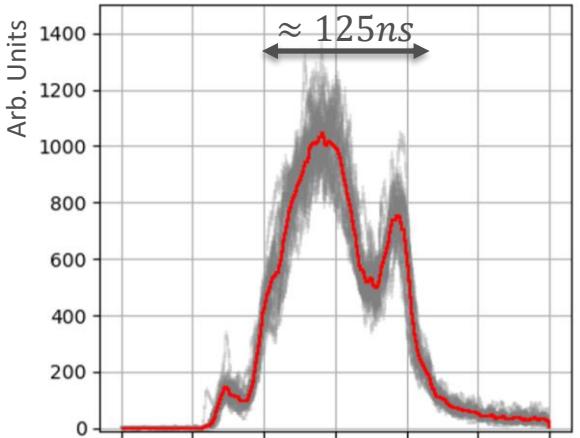
$\delta B < 50 \text{ ppb}$ for Run-2/3!
(proposal goal: 70 ppb)



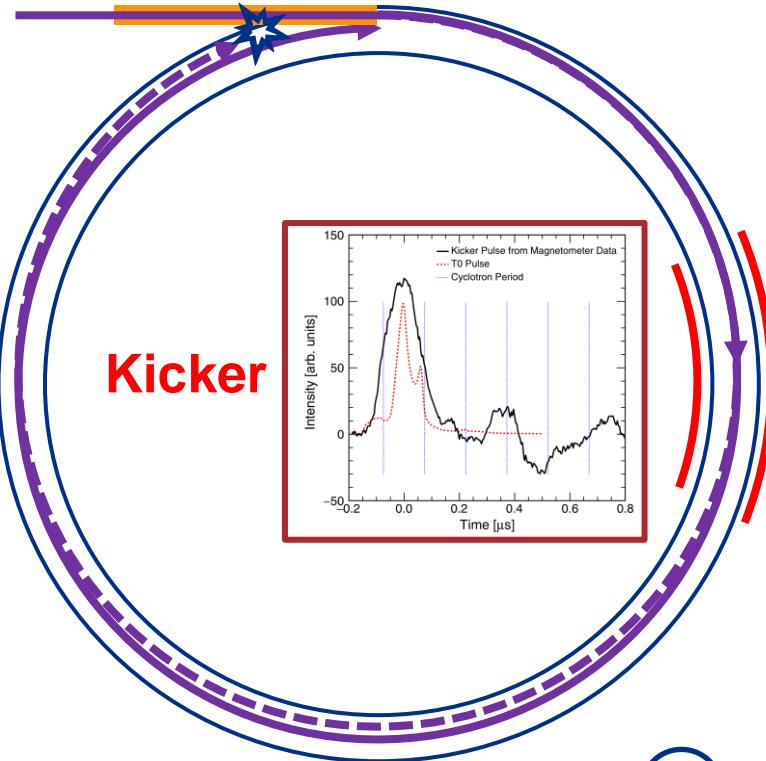
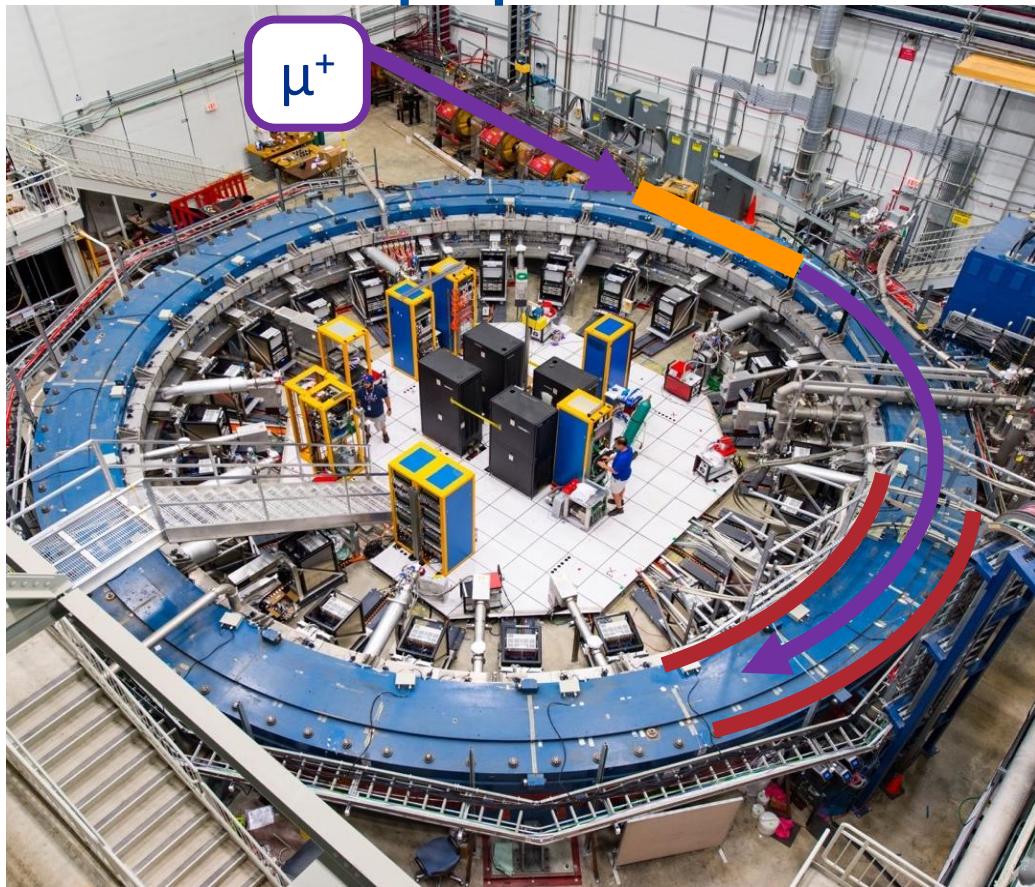
Inject muons into the storage ring



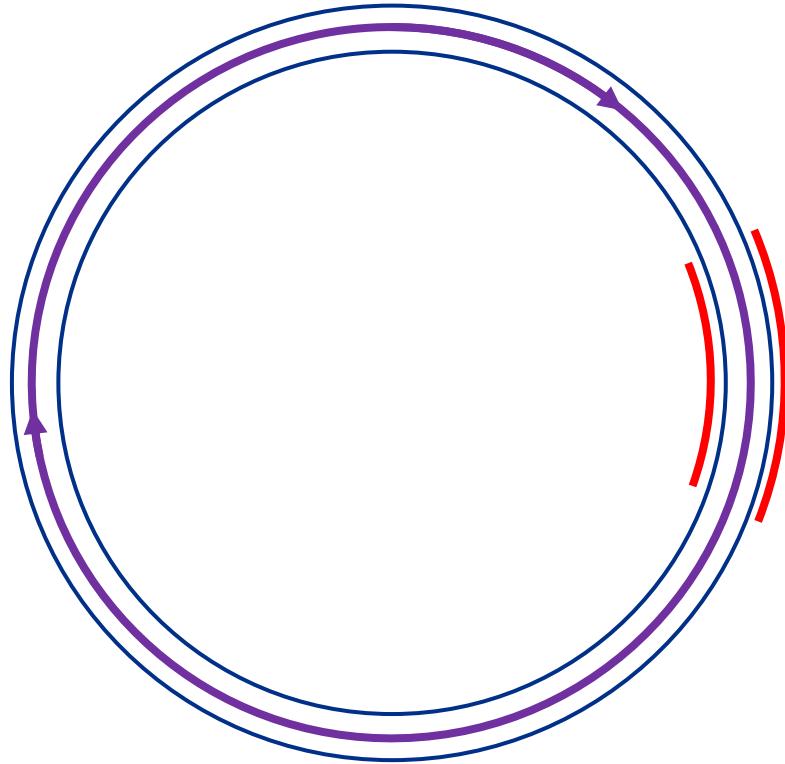
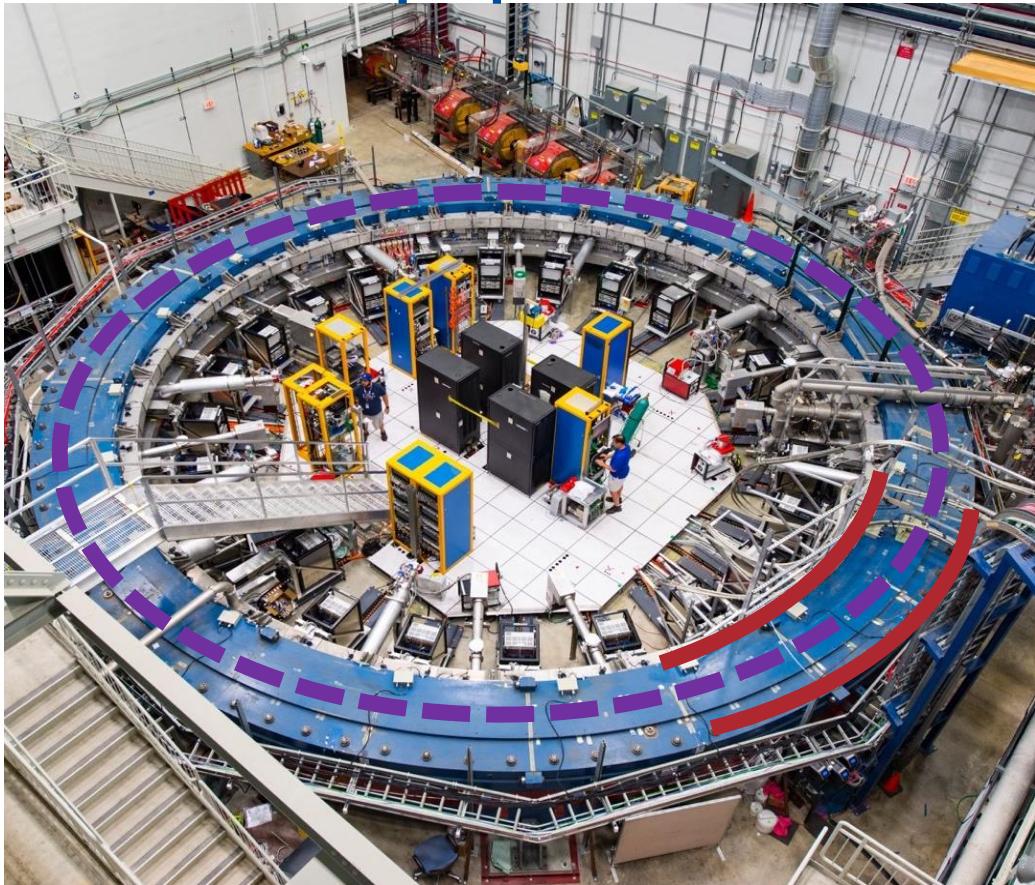
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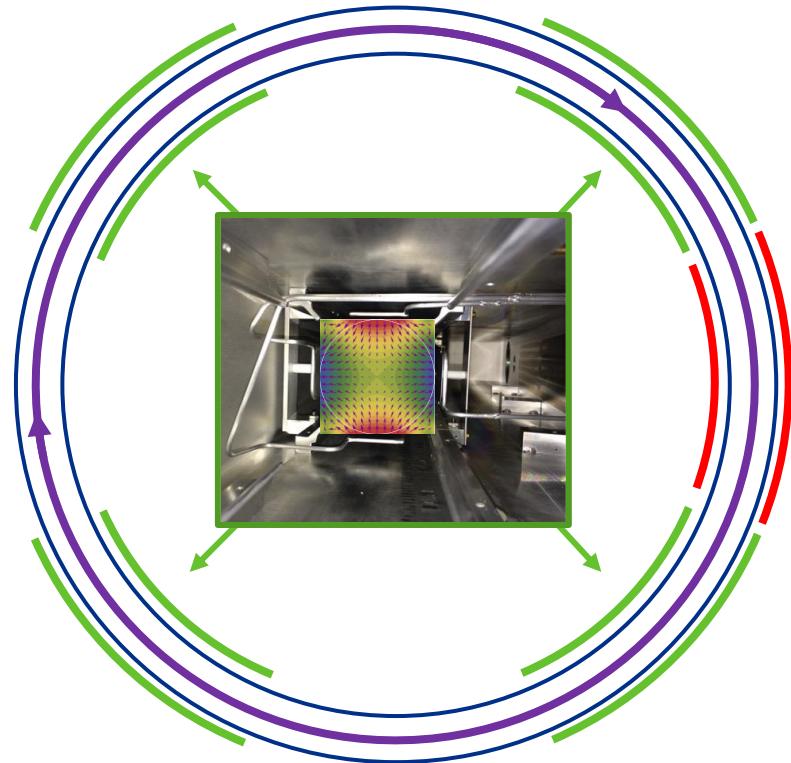
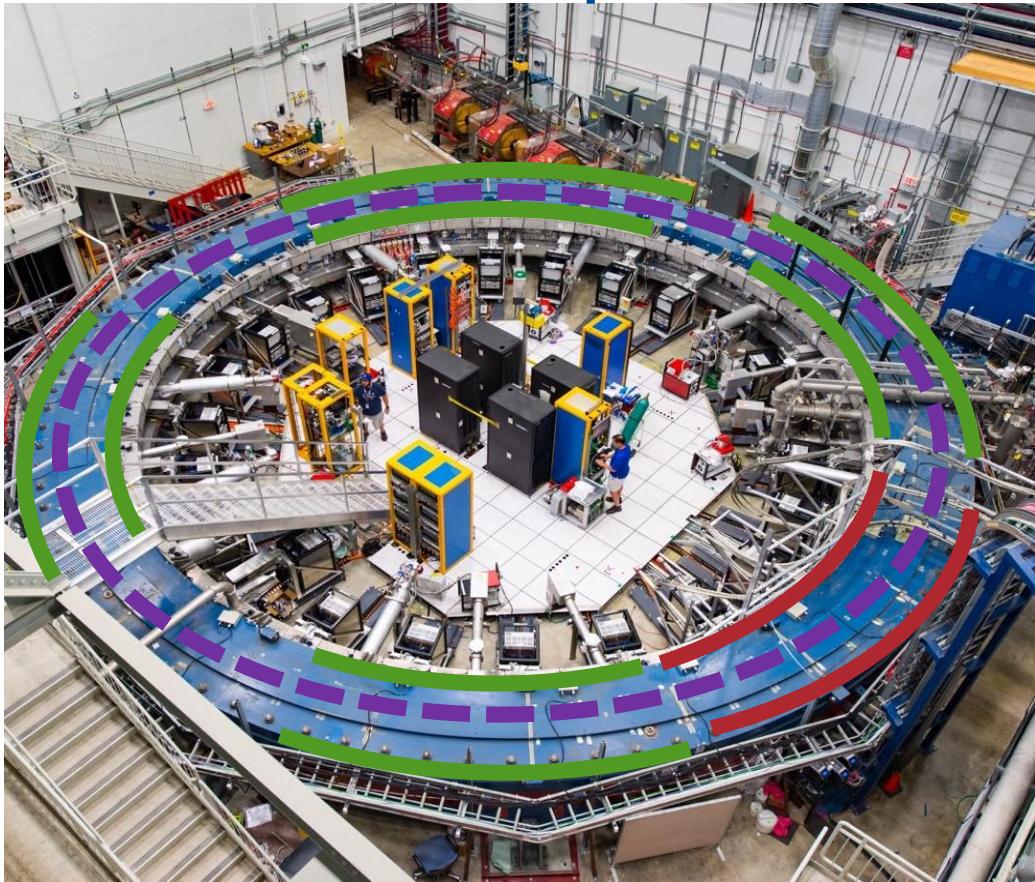
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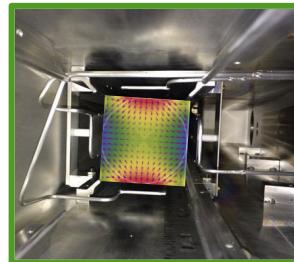
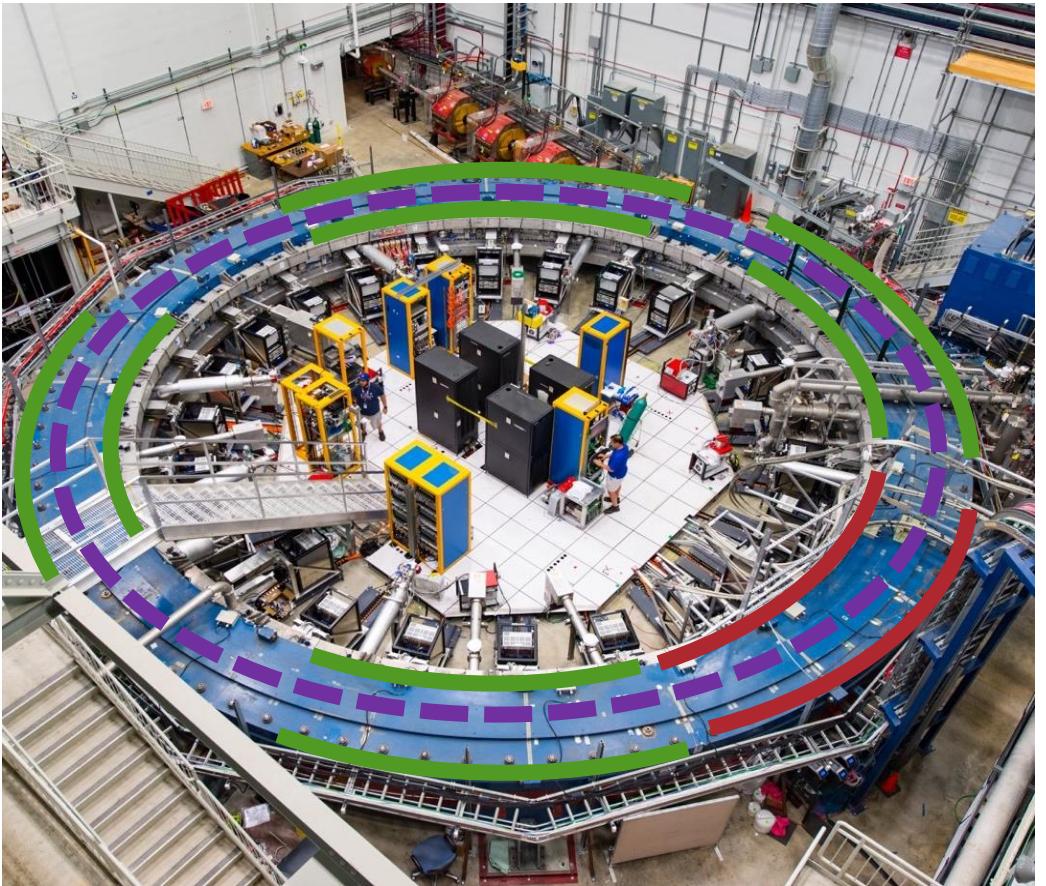
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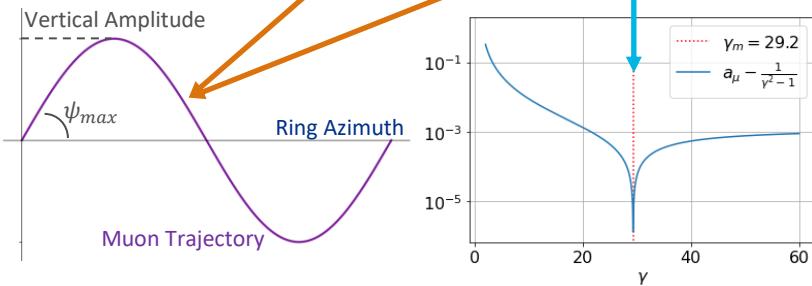
Electrostatic Quadrupoles Focus Vertically



Electric Field Requires Correction to a_μ



$$\omega_a = \frac{eB}{mc} \left[a_\mu - a_\mu \frac{\gamma}{\gamma+1} (\beta \cdot \vec{B}) \vec{\beta} - \left(a_\mu - \frac{1}{\gamma^2-1} \right) \vec{\beta} \times \vec{E} \right]$$



Pitch Correction

$$C_p \sim \mathcal{O}(200 \text{ ppb})$$

$$\delta C_p \sim \mathcal{O}(5 \text{ ppb})$$

E Field Correction

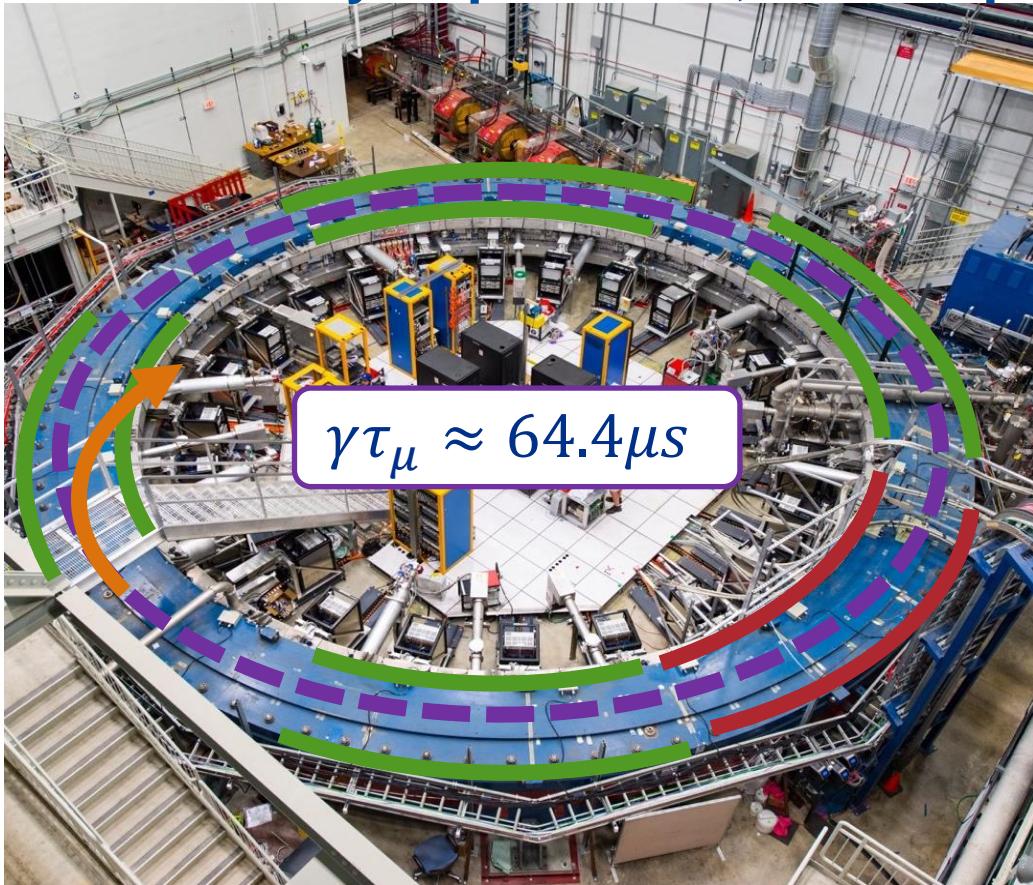
$$C_e \sim \mathcal{O}(500 \text{ ppb})$$

$$\delta C_e \sim \mathcal{O}(30 \text{ ppb})$$

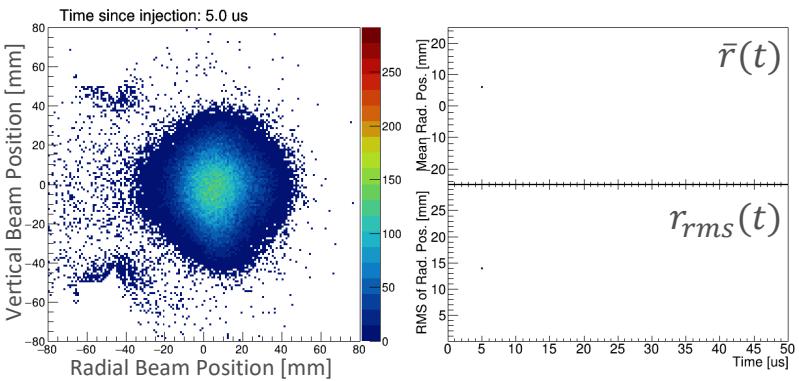
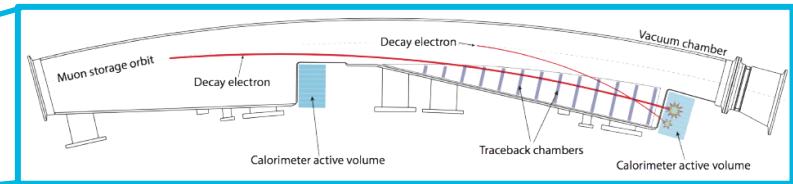
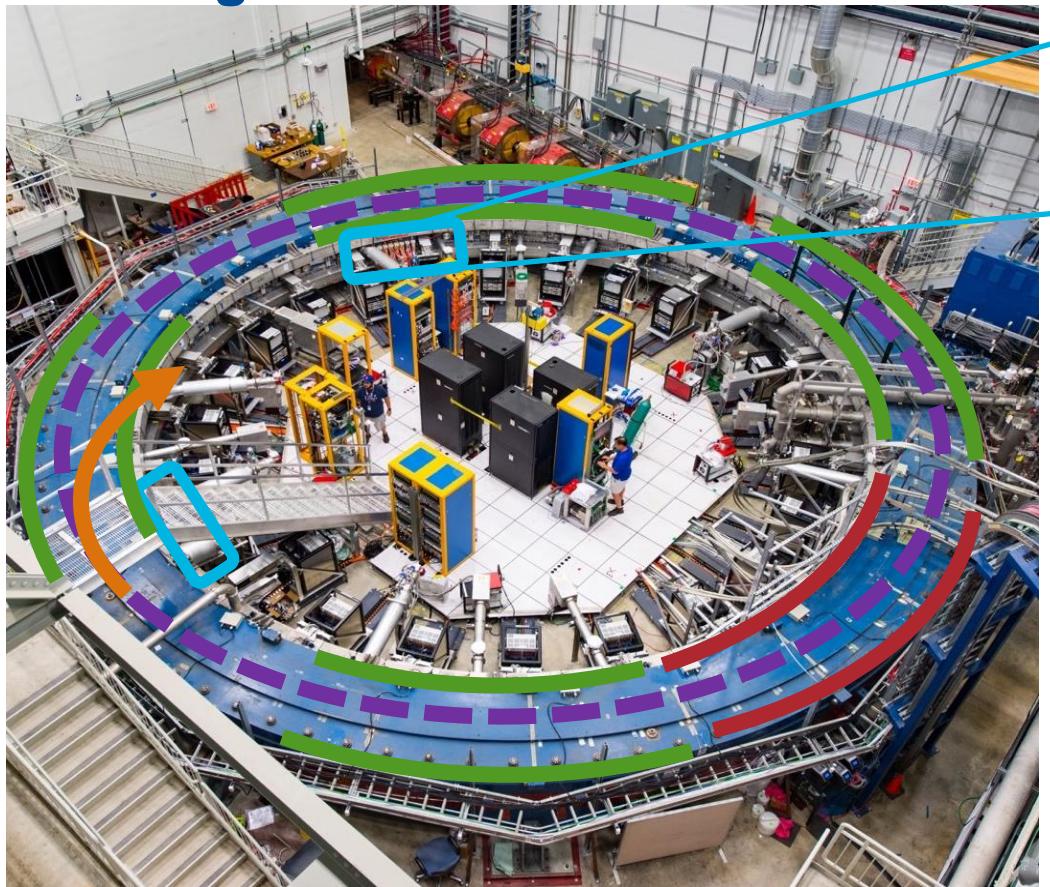
$$a_\mu = \omega_a \frac{mc}{eB} (1 + C_p + C_e + \dots)$$

Fermilab

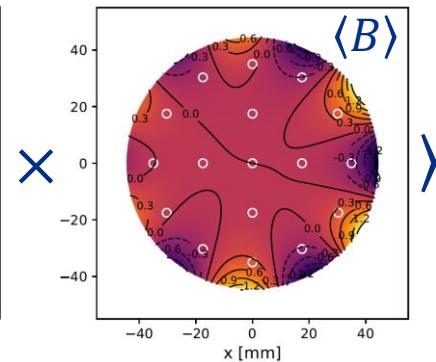
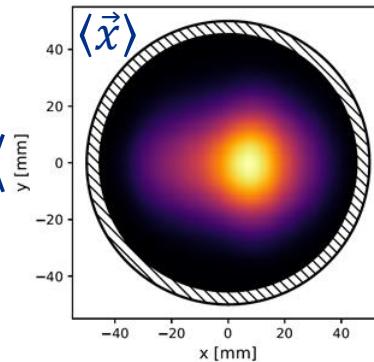
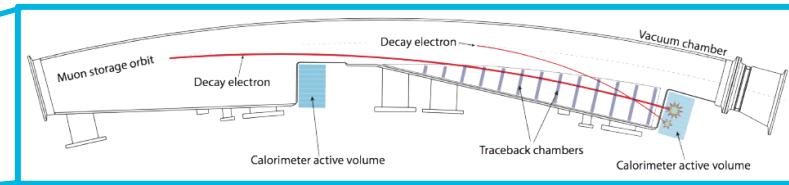
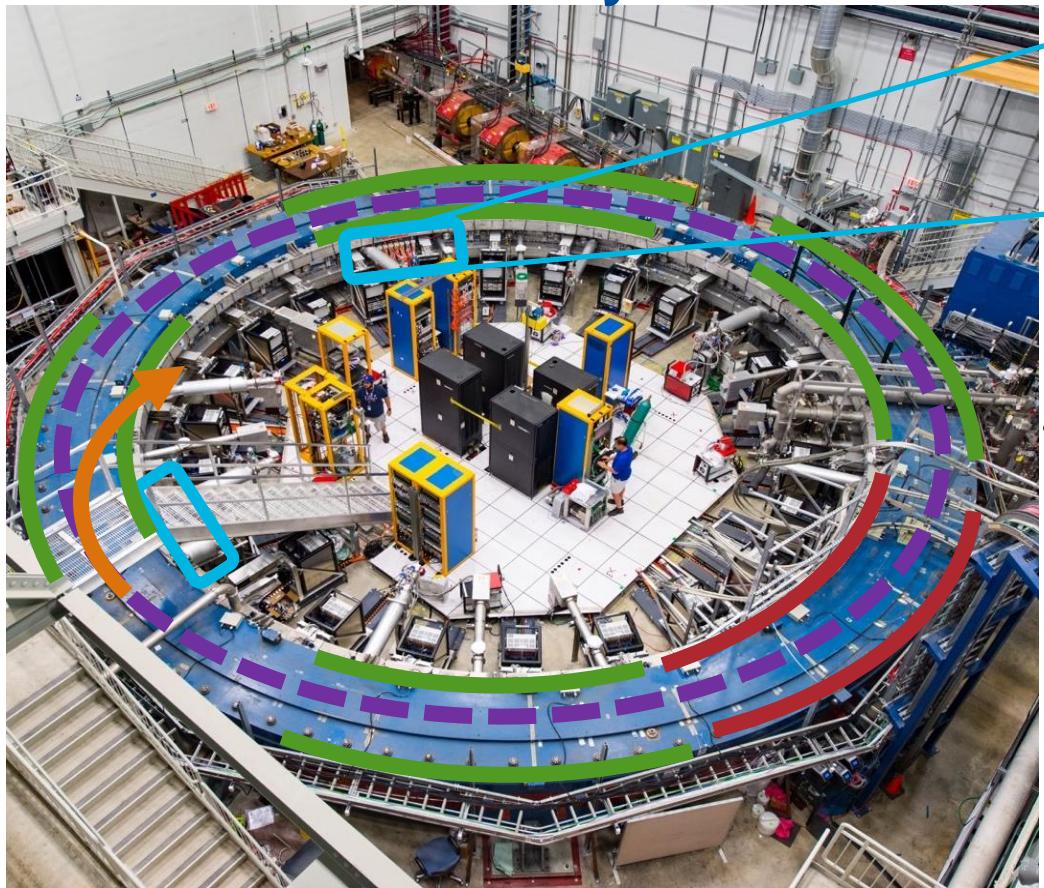
Muons decay to positrons, which spiral inward



Tracking Detectors can Reconstruct Decay Vertices



Combined with Trolley Measurements, this Yields \tilde{B}

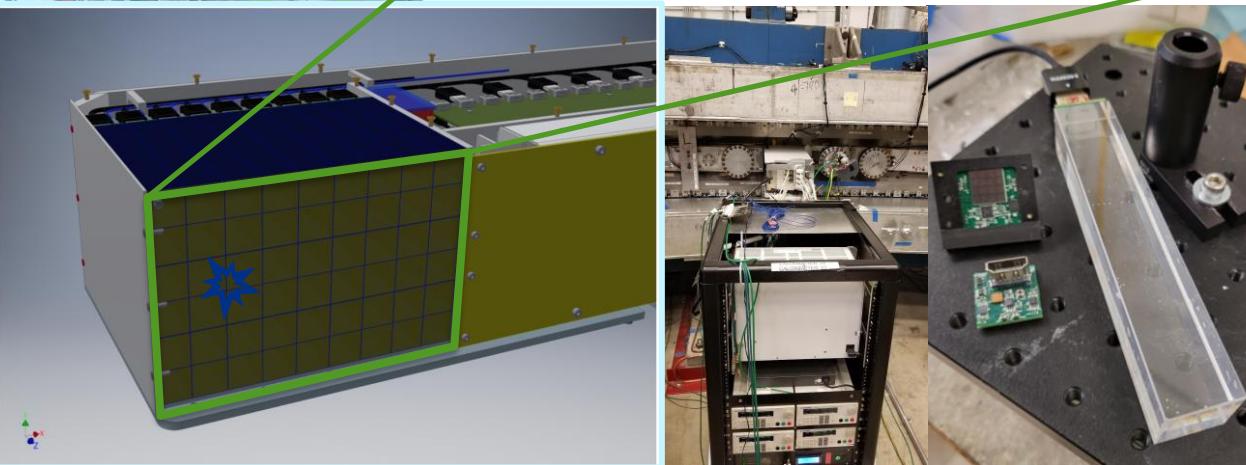
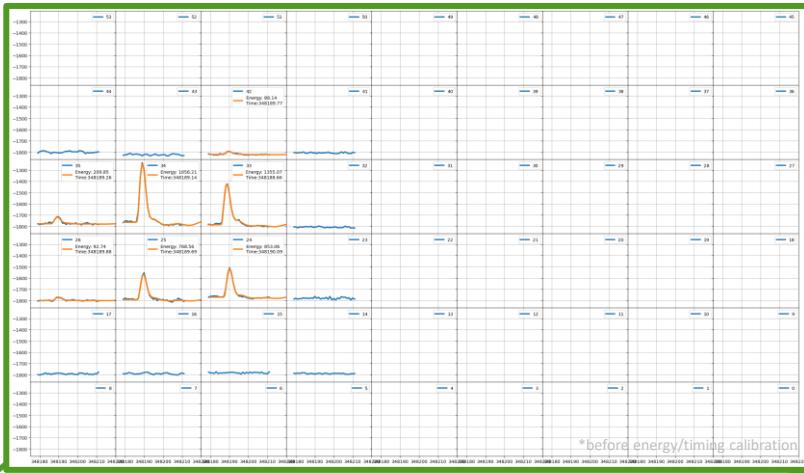
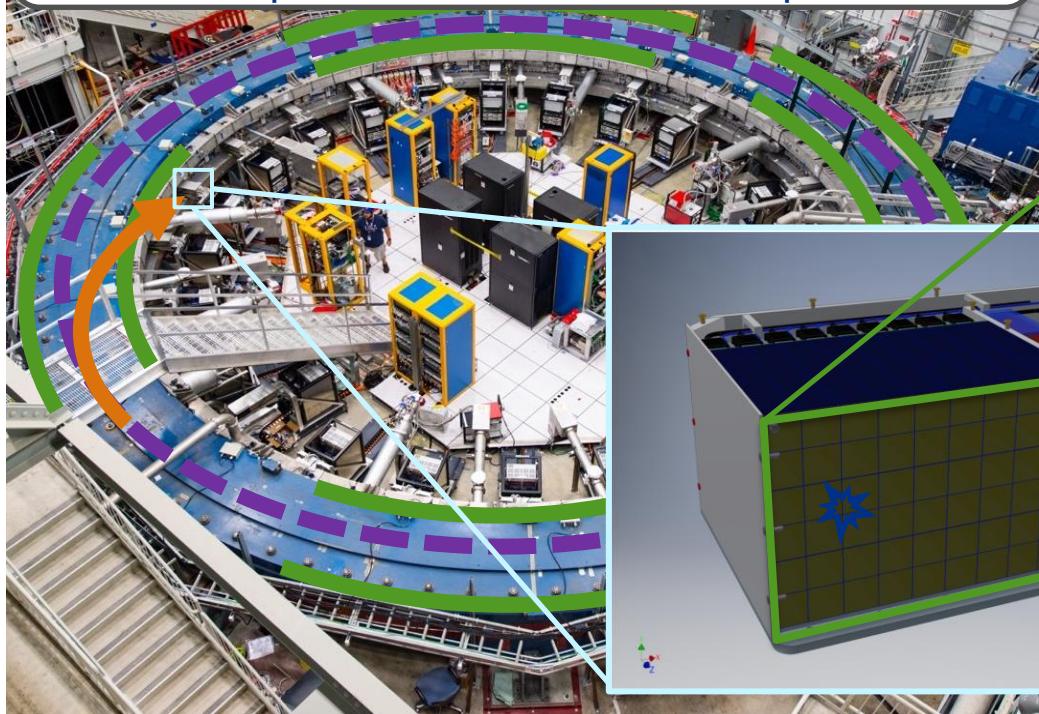


$$= \tilde{B}$$

Time averaged beam position from
trackers gives us the weighted B field

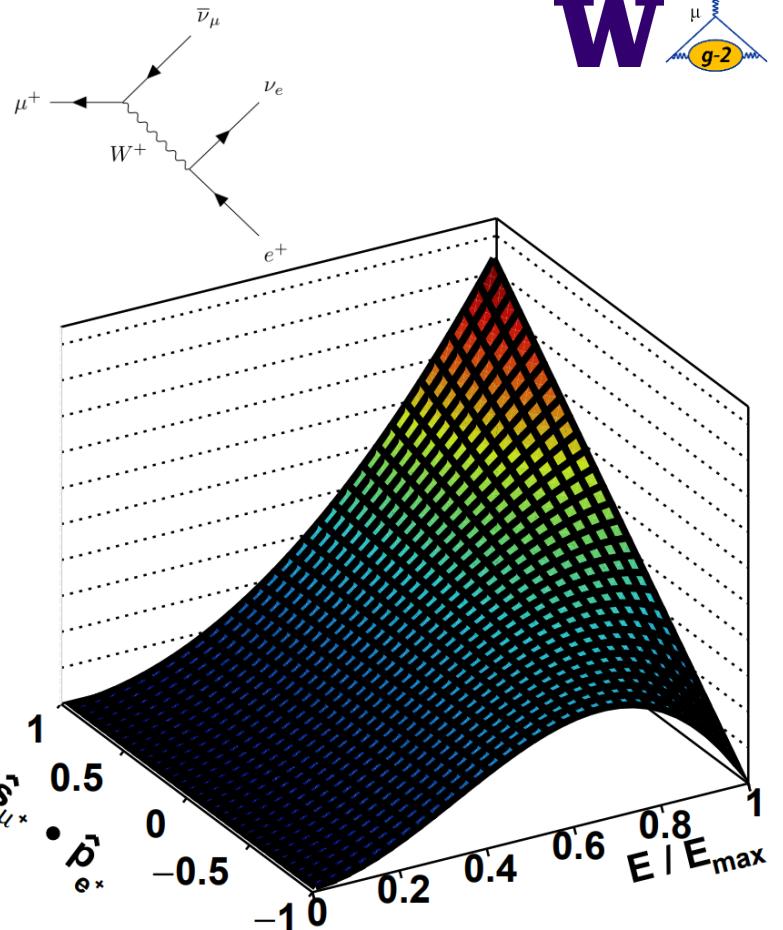
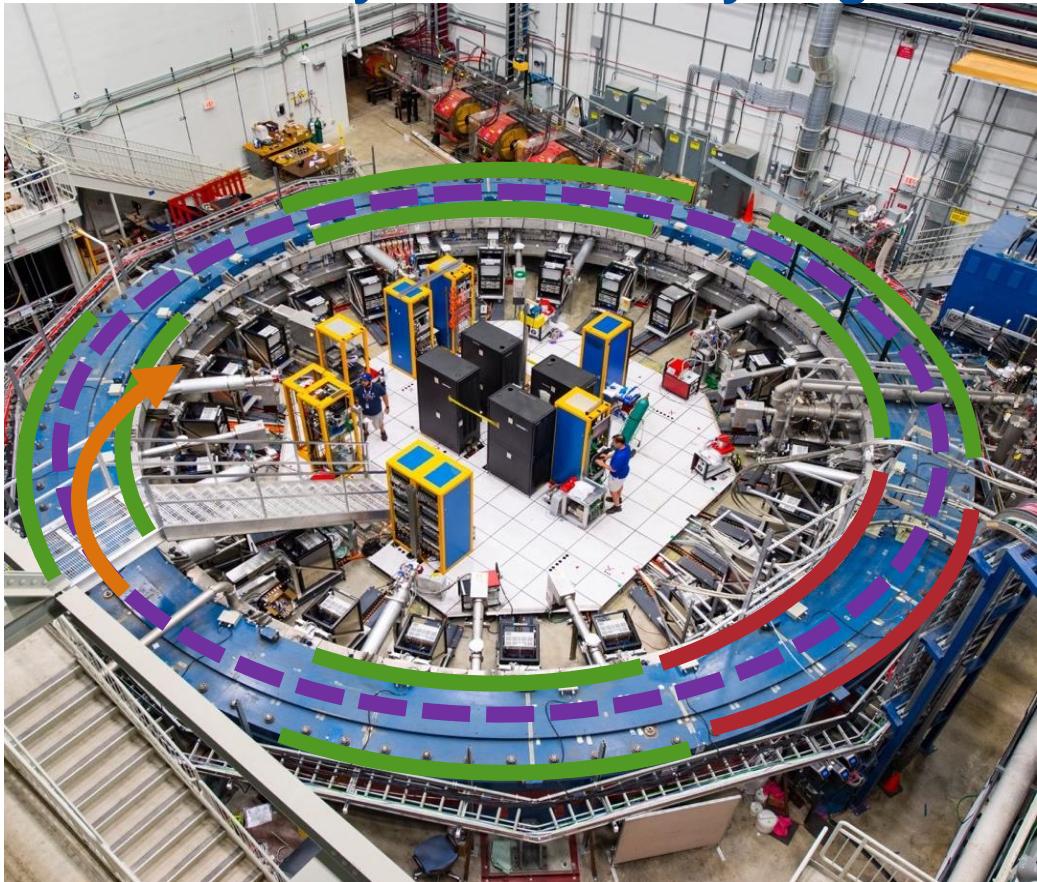
Calorimeters Measure e^+ Energy

24 calorimeters \rightarrow 1296 lead fluoride crystals with their own energy/timing/gain calibrations.
 $> 99\%$ uptime over the life of the experiment

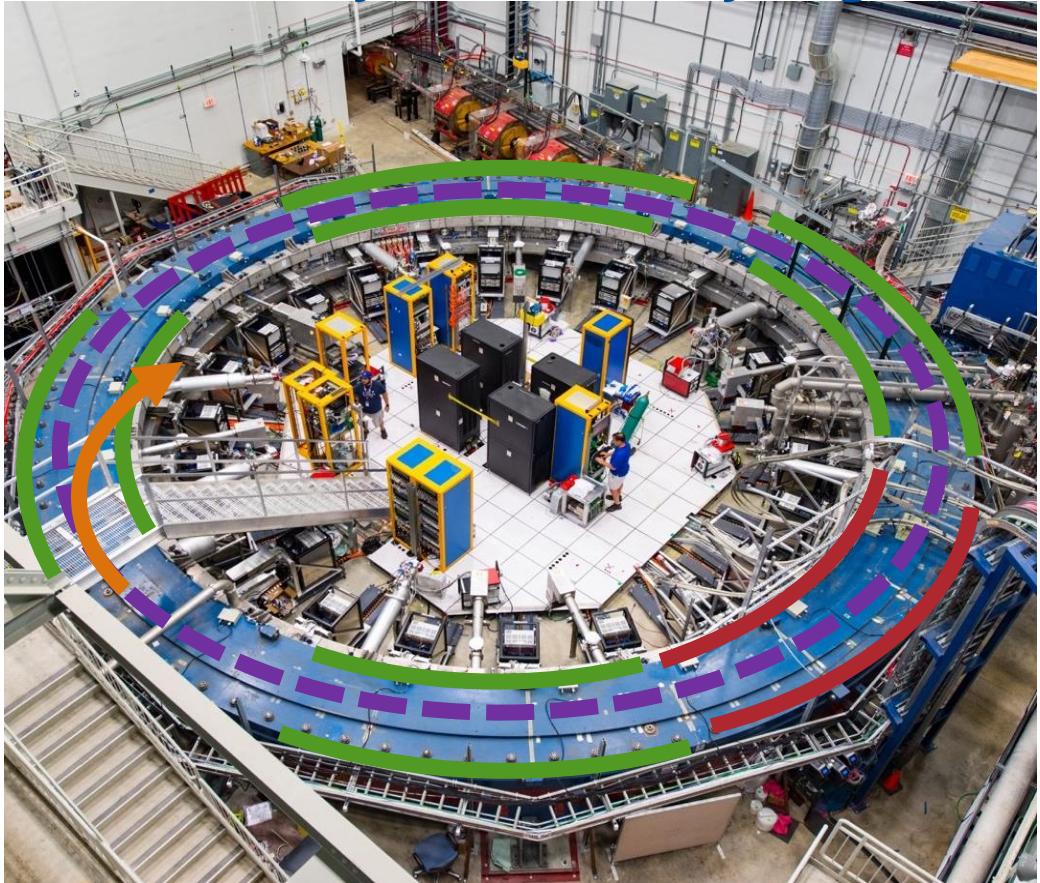




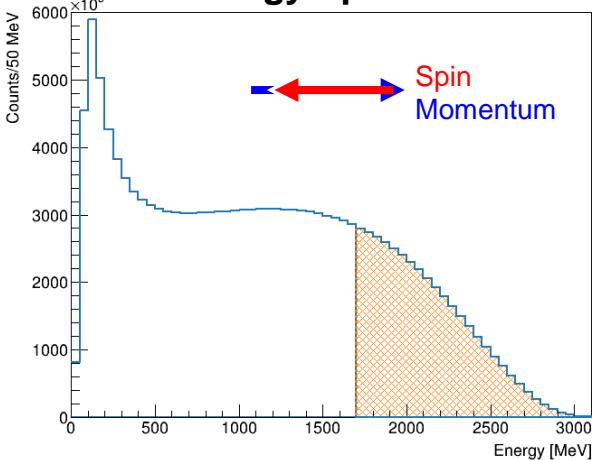
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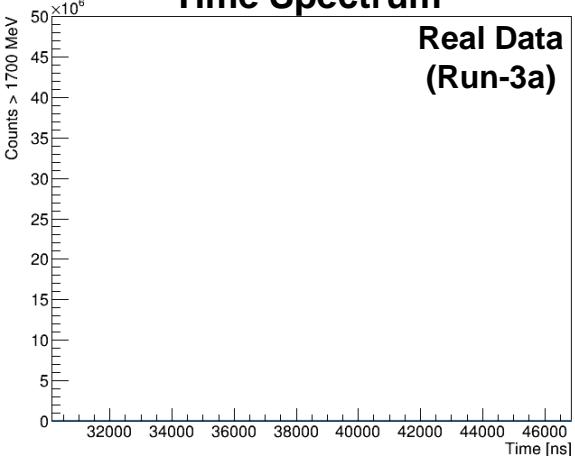
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Energy Spectrum



Time Spectrum



Run-2/3 Dataset

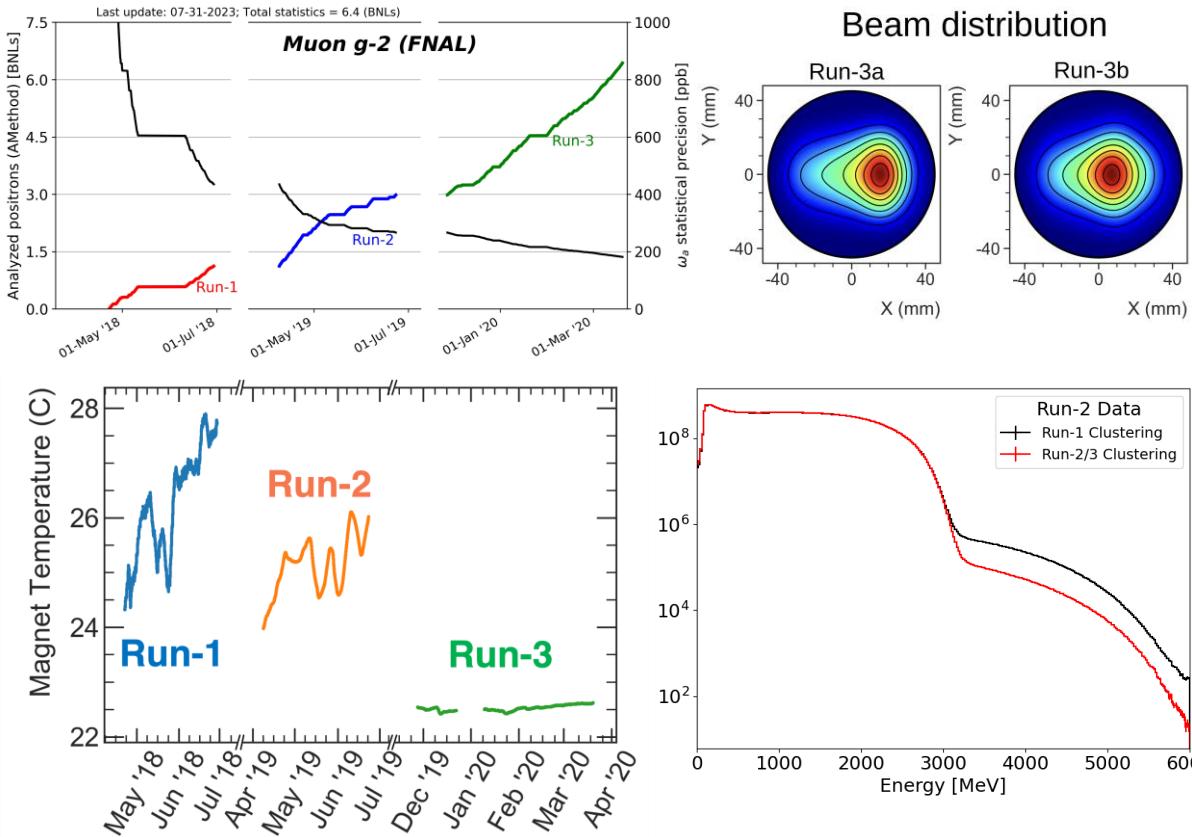
This dataset: $5.3 \times \text{BNL}$, $4.7 \times \text{Run-1}$

Better running conditions

- Improved quadrupole performance throughout
- Improved kick strength in the latter half of Run-3
- Improved magnet and detector stability

Improved analysis techniques

- Pileup improved in one reconstruction algorithm by a factor of 2+
- Upgrades to how some systematics are handled, new measurement techniques incorporated as cross-checks



+ many more improvements

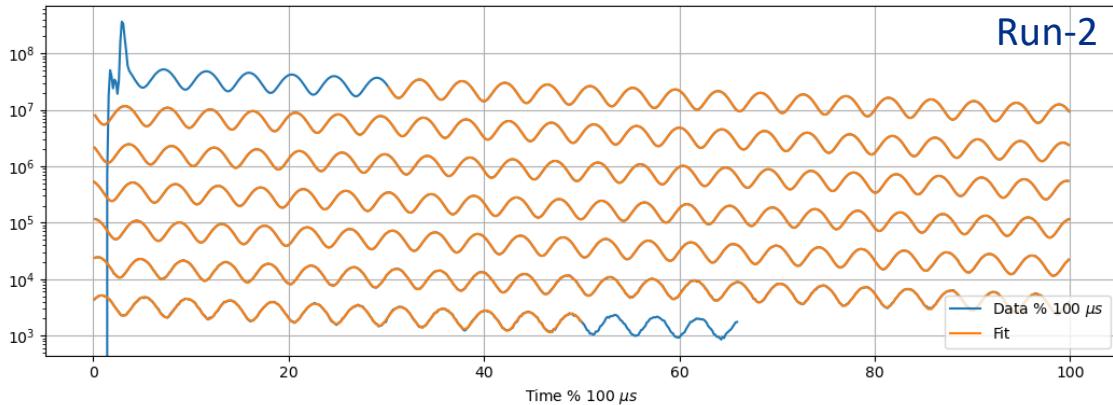
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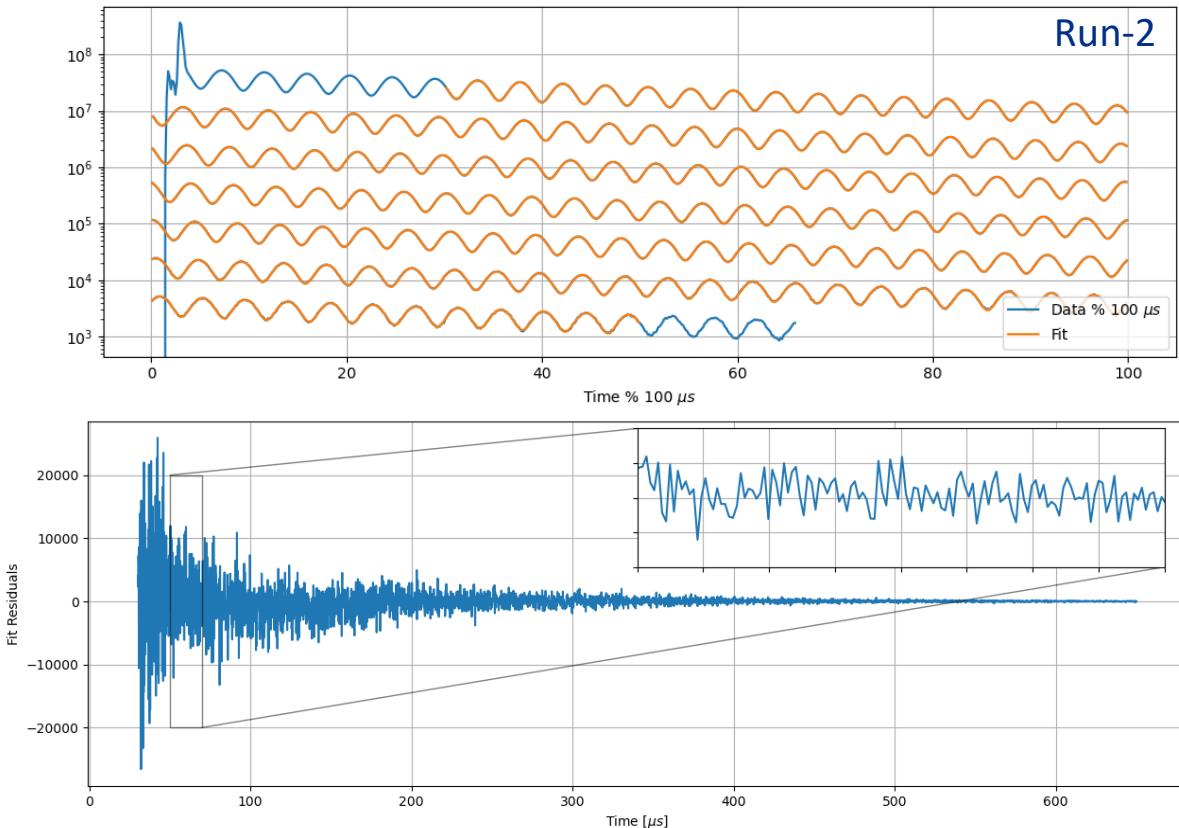
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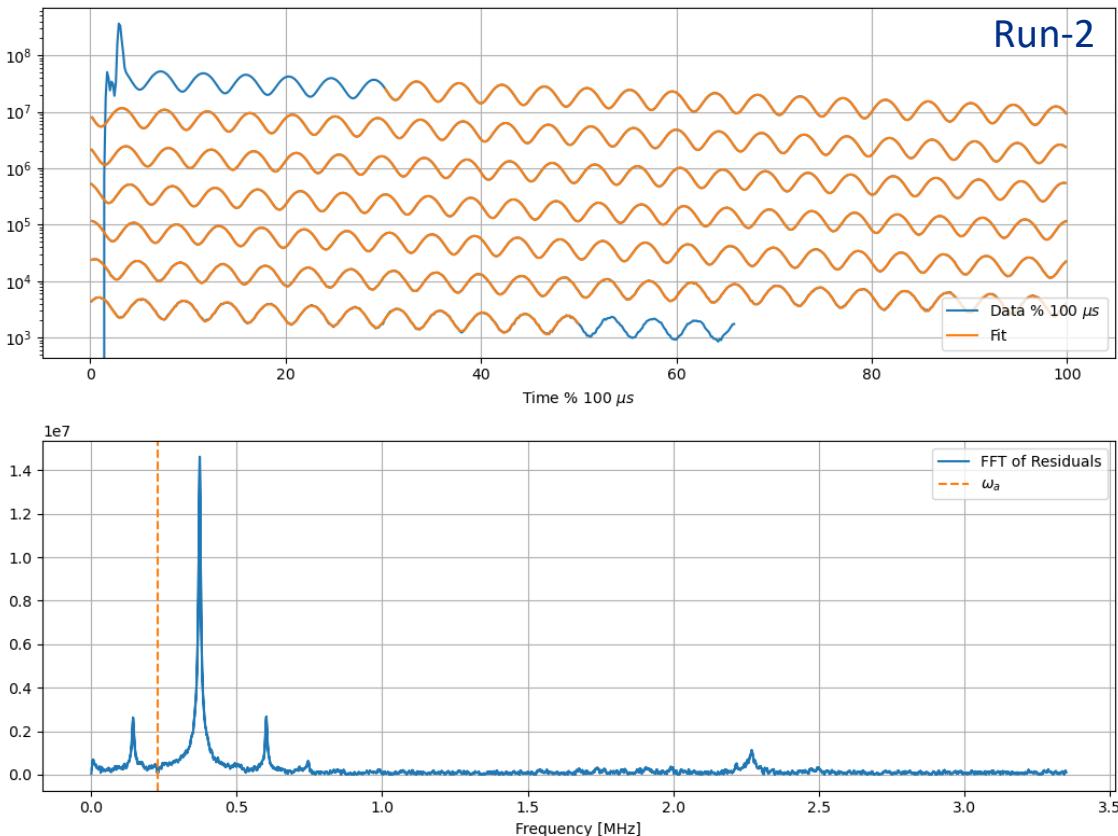
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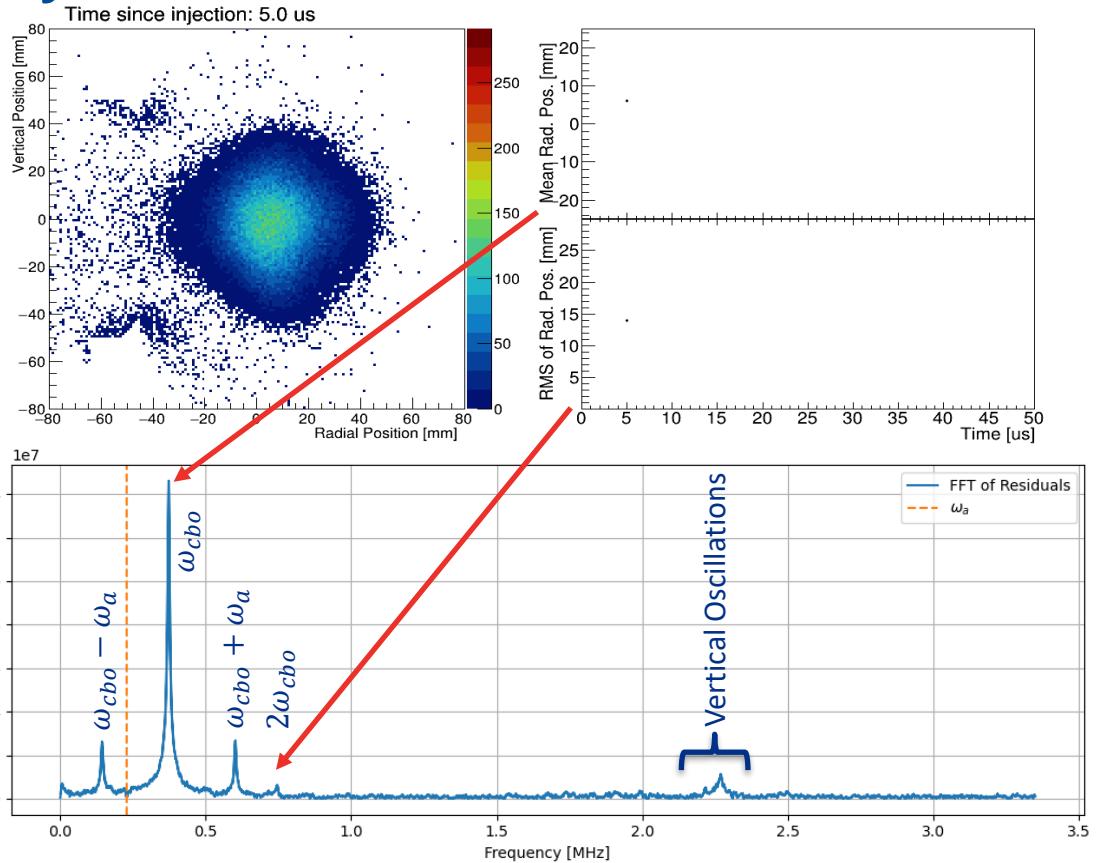
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Precession Frequency Analysis

The largest beam oscillation frequency is the radial ‘coherent betatron oscillation’ [CBO].

This (and other beam motion frequencies) enter our fit due to detector acceptance difference for different decay positions.



Precession Frequency Analysis: Adding 1st Order CBO

We can modify the fit function to incorporate these beam motion effects. The lowest order effect is the CBO motion, which we incorporate as:

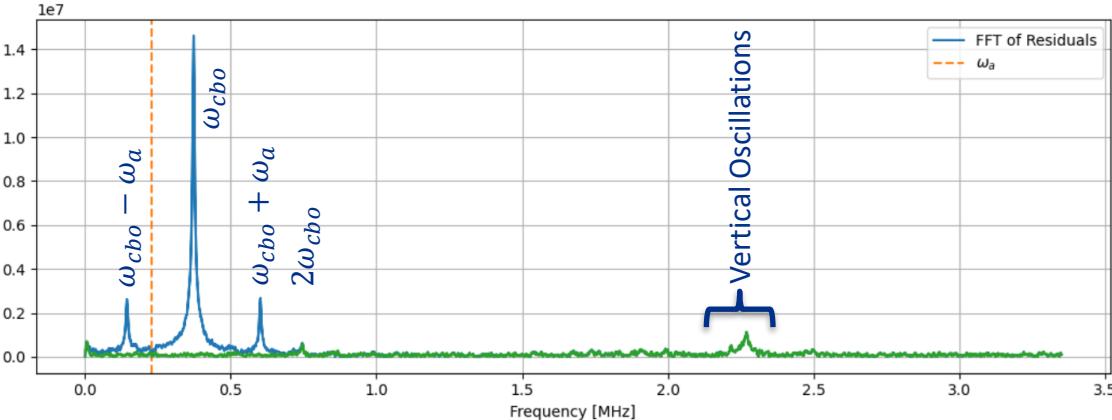
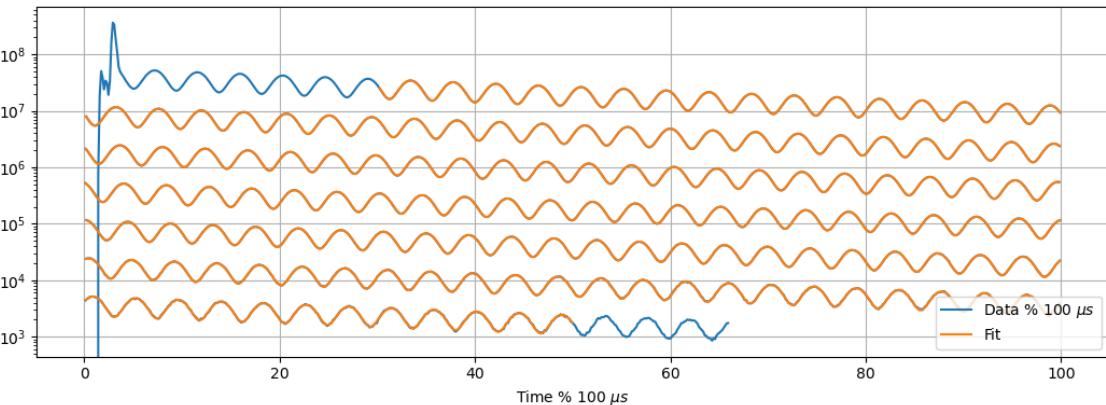
$$N(t) = N_0 N_x e^{-t/\tau_\mu} (1 - A_0 \cos(\omega_a t - \phi_a))$$

where:

$$N_x(t) = 1 + A_{cbo} e^{-t/\tau_{cbo}} \cos(\omega_{cbo} t + \phi_{cbo})$$

With this addition:

$$\chi^2/NDF = 1.18$$





Precession Frequency Analysis: Full Fit Function

$$N(t) = N_0 N_{loss}(t) N_x(t) N_y(t) N_{xy}(t) e^{-t/\tau} [1 + A A_x(t) \cos(R(\omega_a)t - \phi_a \phi_x(t))]$$

R ≡ blinded proxy for ω_a

$$N_{loss}(t) = 1 - K_{loss} \Lambda(t)$$

$$N_x(t) = 1 + e^{-2t/\tau_{cbo}} A_{NX22} \cos(\omega_{cbo}(t)t + \phi_{NX22})$$

$$N_y(t) = 1 + e^{-t/\tau_y} A_{NY11} \cos(\omega_y(t)t + \phi_{NY11})$$

$$A_x(t) = e^{-t/\tau_{cbo}} A_{AX11} \cos(\omega_{cbo}(t)t + \phi_{AX11})$$

$$\phi_x(t) = 1 + e^{-t/\tau_{cbo}} A_{\phi X11} \cos(\omega_{cbo}(t)t + \phi_{\phi X11})$$

$$N_{xy}(t) = 1 + e^{-t/\tau_{cbo}} A_{NX11} \cos(\omega_{cbo}(t)t + \phi_{NX11})$$

$$+ e^{-t/\tau_{vw}} A_{NY22} \cos(\omega_{vw}(t)t + \phi_{NY22})$$

$$+ e^{-t/\tau_{cbo}-t/\tau_{vw}} *$$

$$\left[A_{xy+} \cos((\omega_{vw} + \omega_{cbo})t + \phi_{xy+}) + A_{xy-} \cos((\omega_{vw} - \omega_{cbo})t + \phi_{xy-}) \right]$$

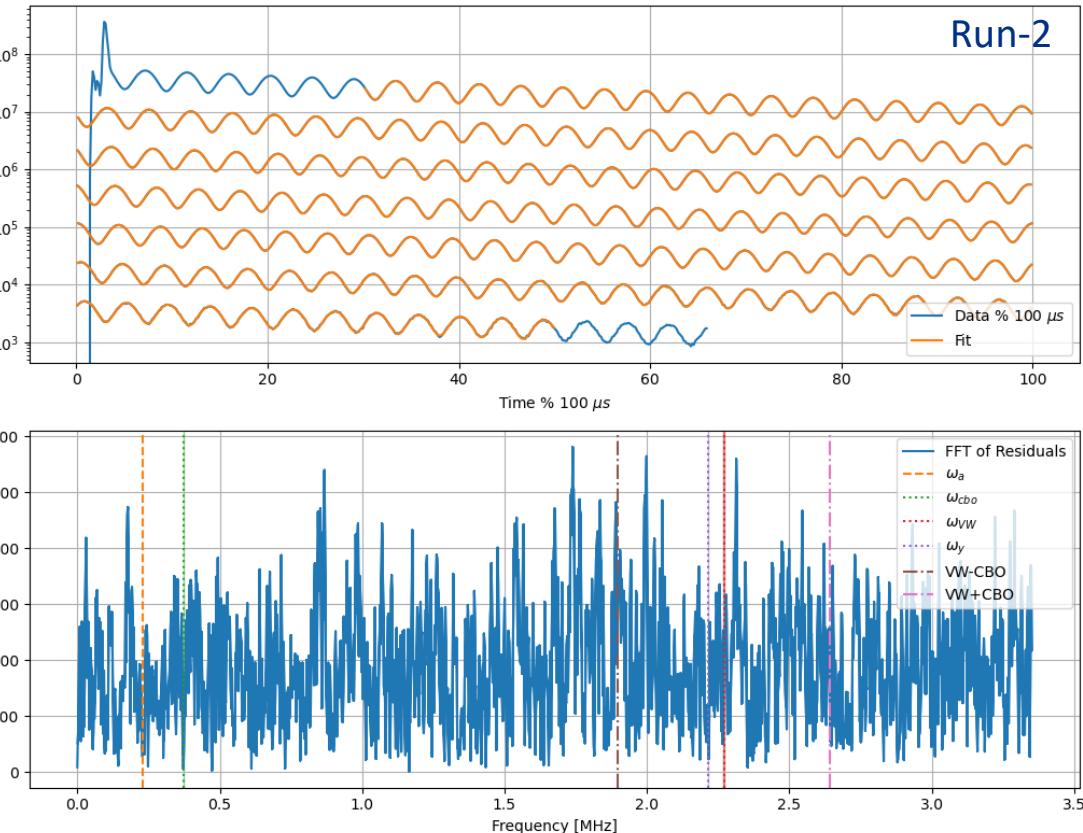
Revealed with higher statistics Run-2+3.

More expected in Run-4+

Precession Frequency Analysis

After the addition of terms accounting for vertical and horizontal beam motions and Muon losses, we arrive at a final fit.

No more peaks are seen in the residuals, and the fit converges to a stable minimum.



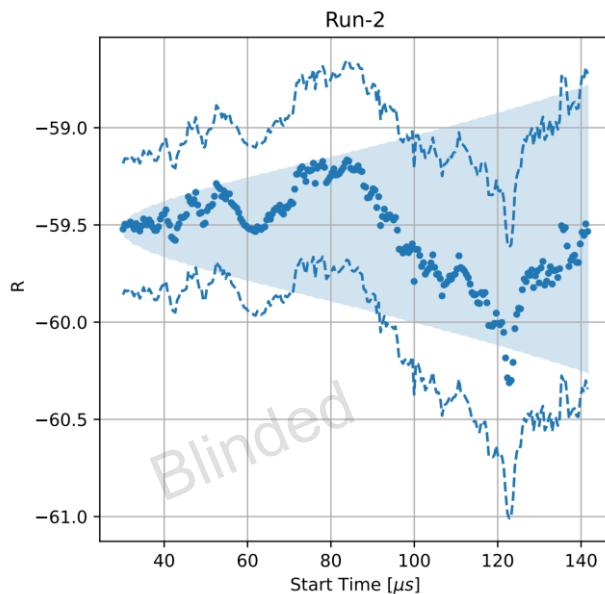
Precession Frequency Analysis: Cross Checks



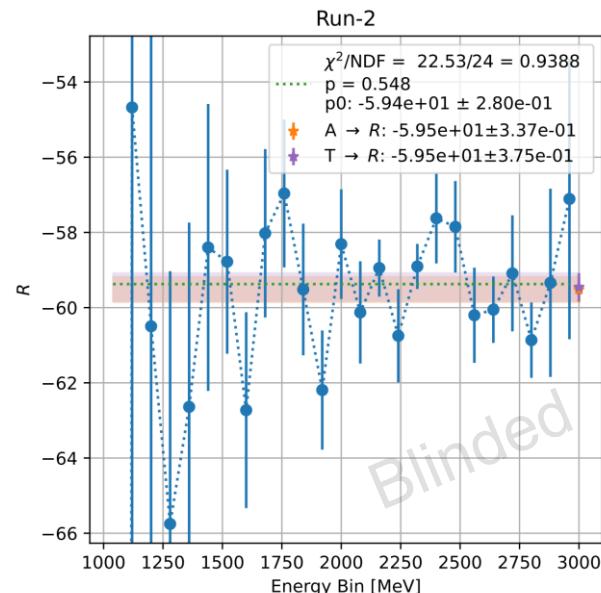
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$R(\omega_a)$ stability vs:

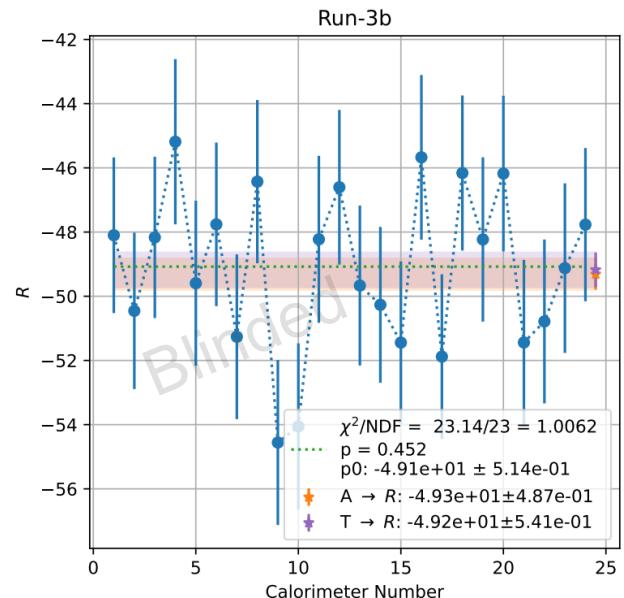
Start time



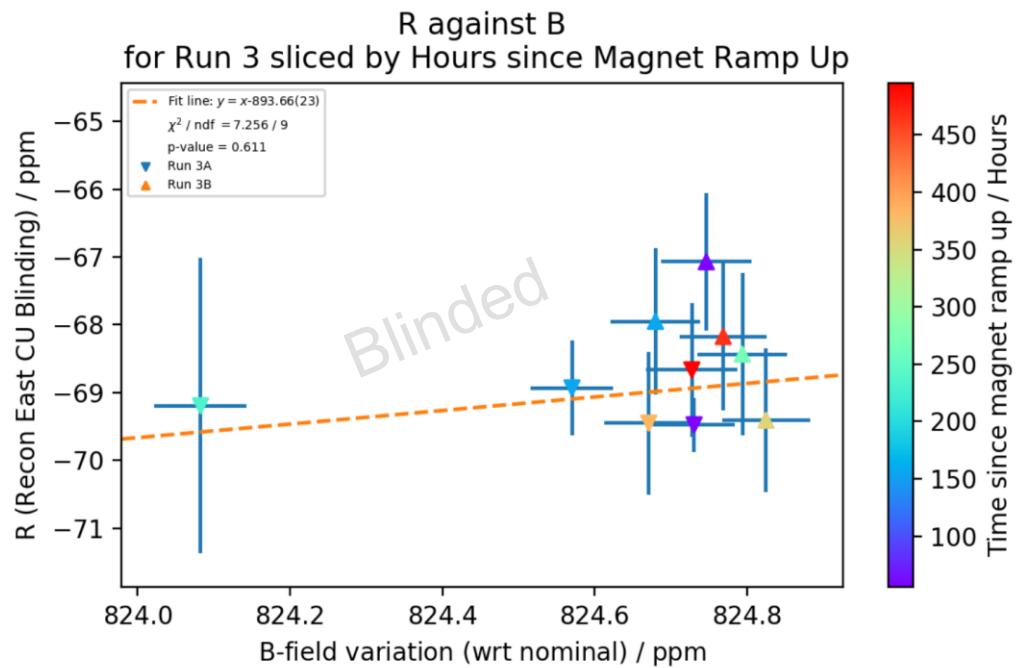
Energy Bin



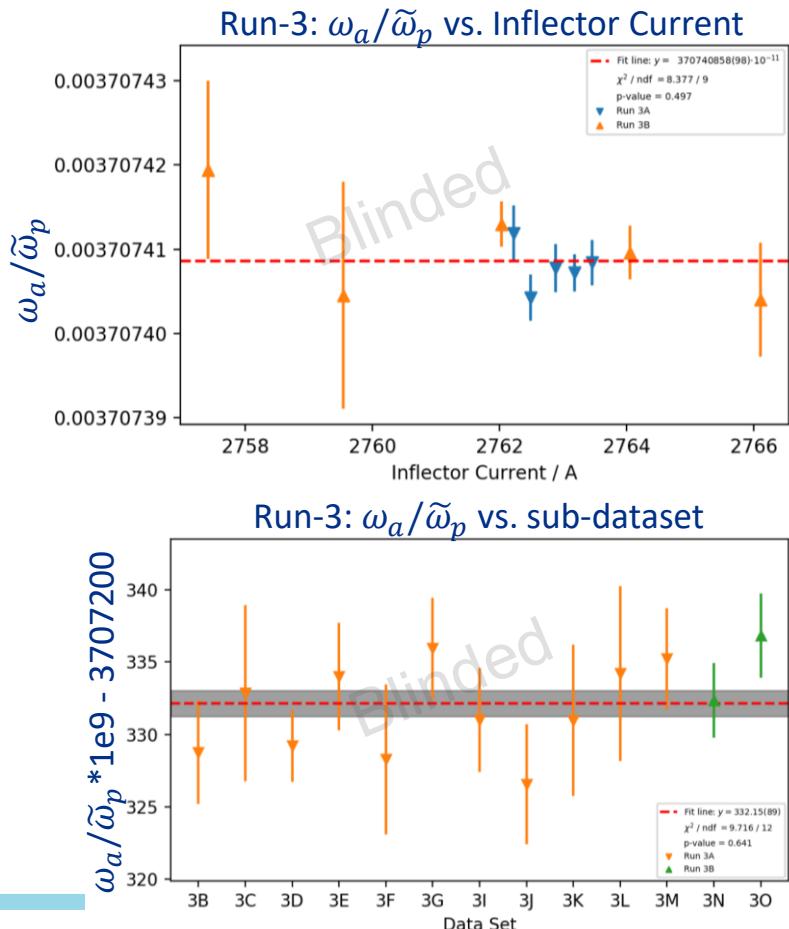
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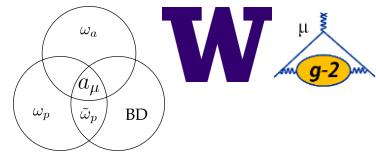
Precession Frequency Analysis: Cross Checks



+ many, many more cross checks



Putting it all together... with corrections



$$a_\mu = \frac{\omega_a}{\tilde{B}} \frac{m_\mu}{e}$$

Changes in ω_a

$$\frac{f_{clock} \omega_a^{meas} (1 + C_e + C_p + C_{ml} + C_{pa} + C_{dd})}{f_{calib} \langle \vec{x}(x, y, \phi) \times \omega_p(x, y, \phi) \rangle (1 + B_k + B_q)}$$

Changes in ϕ_a

Transient
magnetic fields

External Constants

$$\frac{\mu'_p(T_r)}{\mu_e(H)}$$

10.5 ppb uncertainty
at $T_r = 34.7^\circ\text{C}$
Metrologia 13, 179 (1977)

$$\frac{\mu_e(H)}{\mu_e}$$

Bound state QED calculation
“Exact”
CODATA 2018

$$\frac{m_\mu}{m_e}$$

Muonium hyperfine splitting
+ QED | 22 ppb uncertainty
CODATA 2018

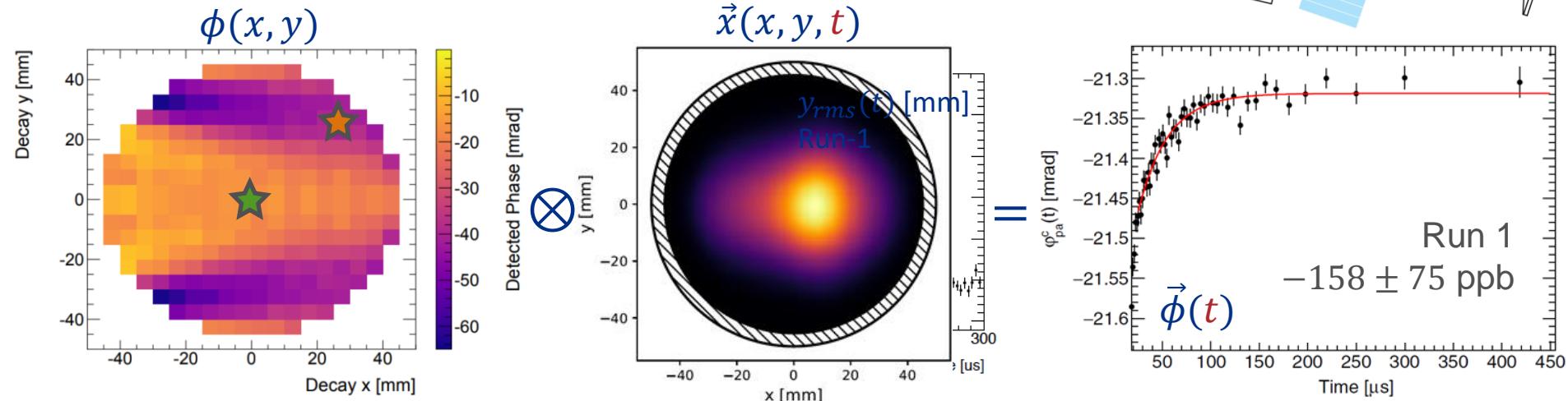
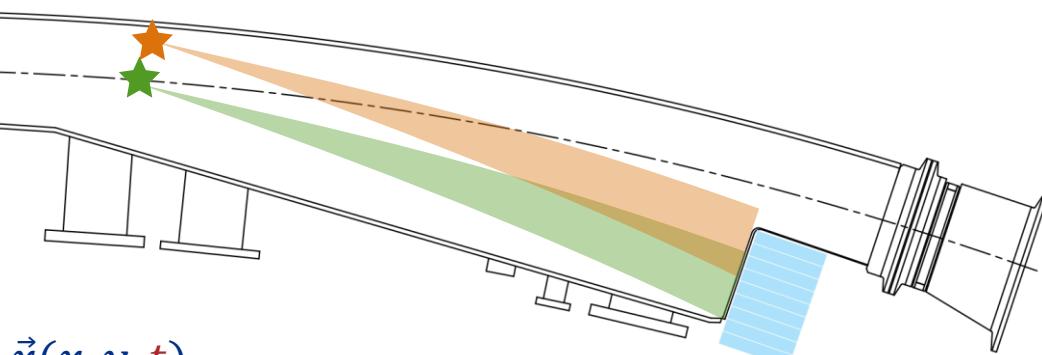
$$\frac{g_e}{2}$$

Electron g-2 (2023)
0.13 ppt uncertainty
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Systematic Improvements: C_{pa}

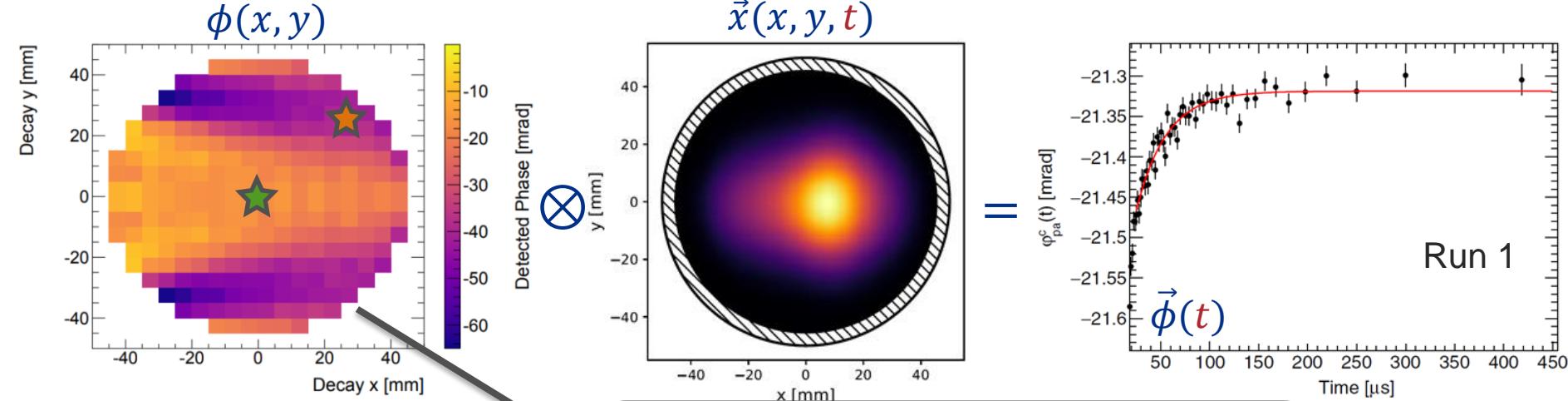
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$$\begin{aligned} \omega_a t + \phi &\rightarrow \omega_a t + \phi(t) \\ &= \omega_a t + \left(\phi_0 + \frac{d\phi}{dt} t + \frac{d^2\phi}{dt^2} t^2 \dots \right) \\ &\downarrow \\ \omega_a^{meas} &= \omega_a + \frac{d\phi}{dt} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

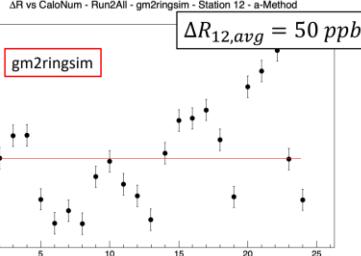
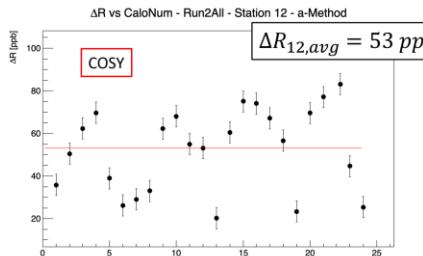


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Additional systematic studies done to verify phase/acceptance maps. Cross checks between different simulation programs to ensure consistent results.

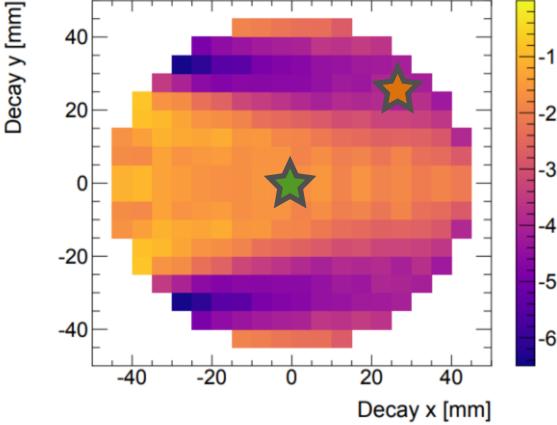


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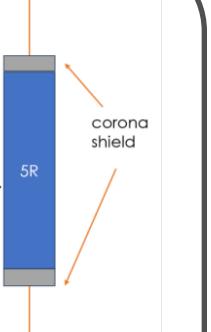
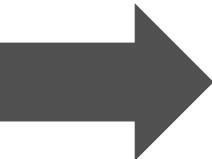
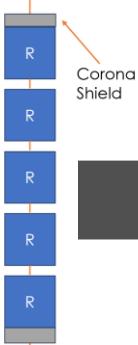
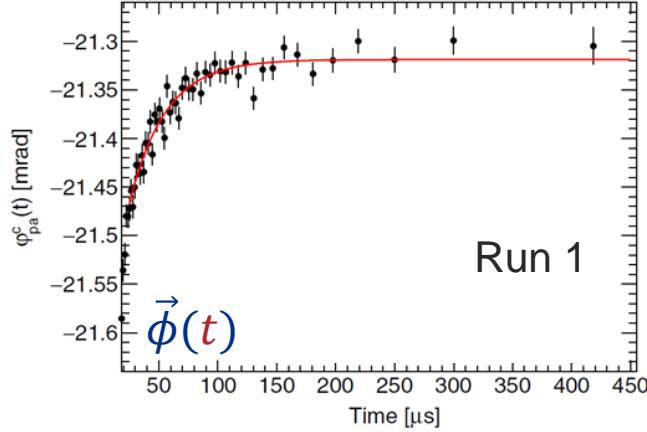
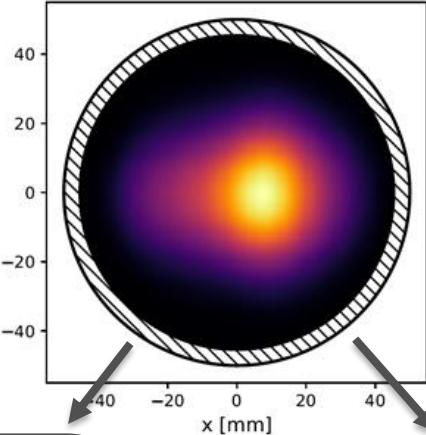


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$\phi(x, y)$



$\vec{x}(x, y, t)$



article

y_{rms} [mm]

y_{rms}(t)

- Run1d
- Run2c

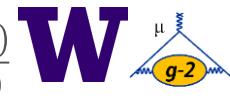
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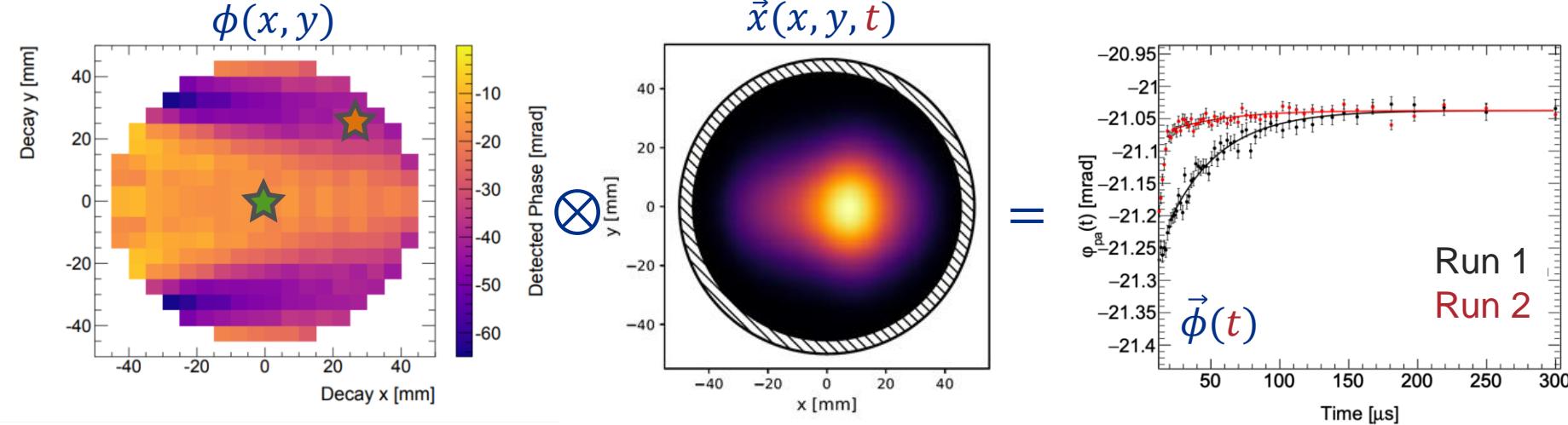
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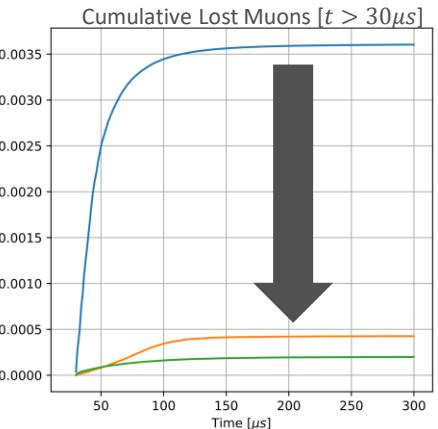
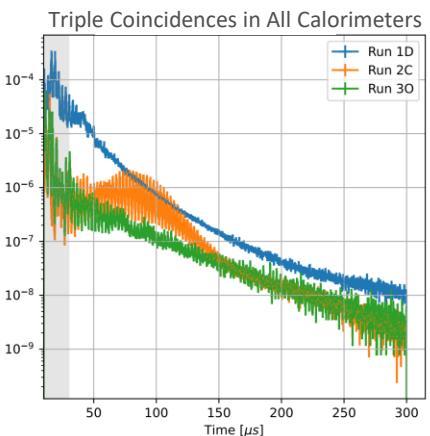
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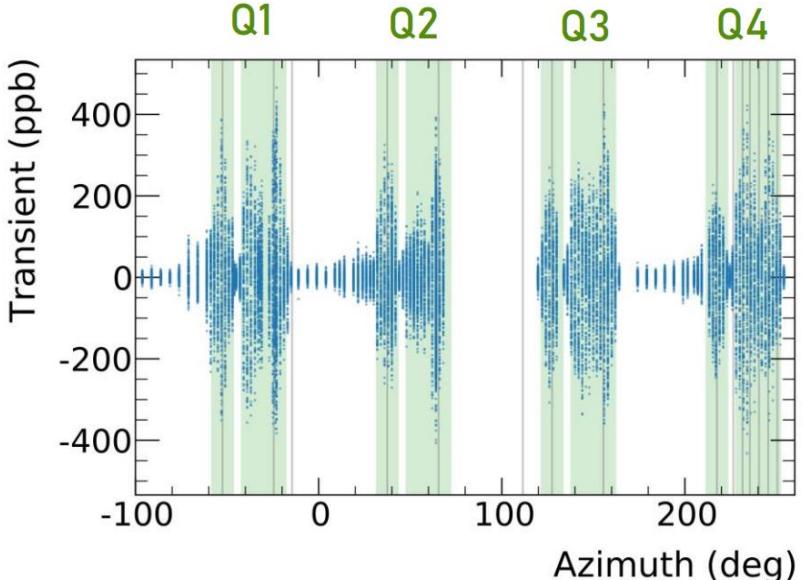
C_{pa}	Correction [ppb]	Uncertainty [ppb]
Run-1	-158	75
Run-2/3	-27	13

Selected Systematic Improvements



Better running conditions reduced muon losses: C_{ml} is now negligible

Run-1 Measurement Points
Run-2+ Measurement Points



More measurements of quad transient:
 B_q is now much better understood

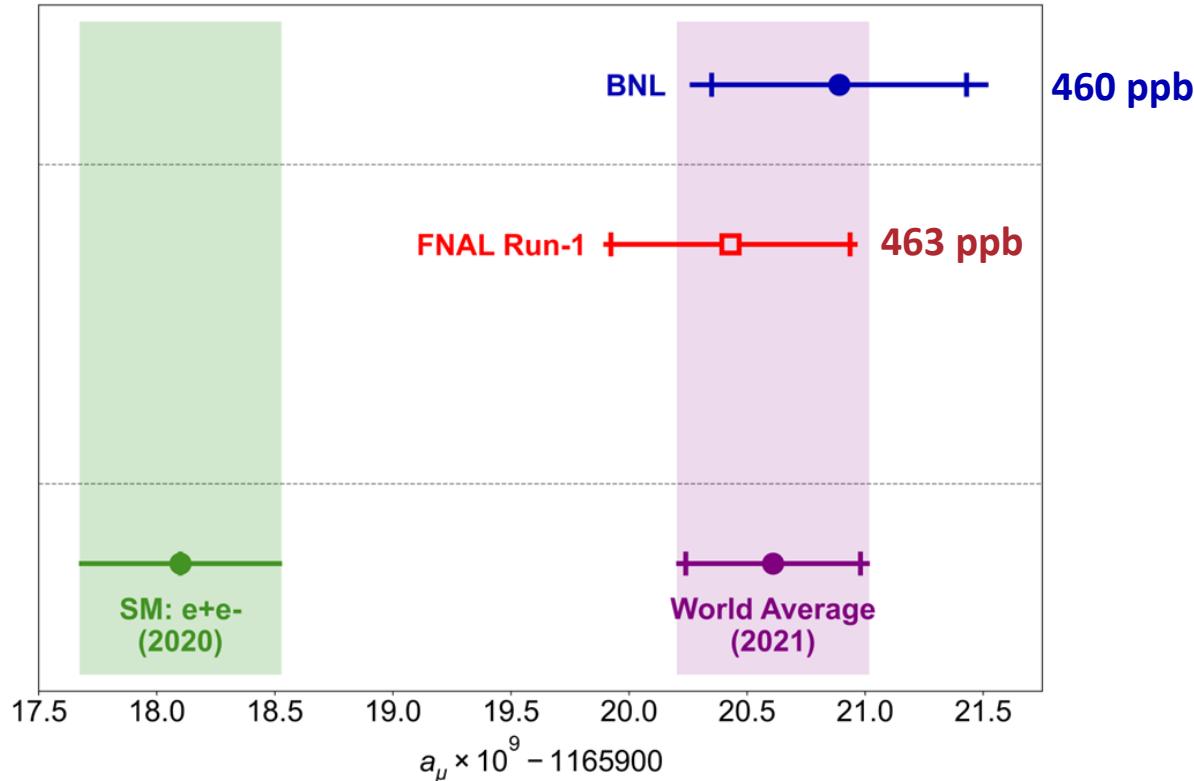
Run-2/3 Systematics

Quantity	Correction [ppb]	Uncertainty [ppb]	
ω_a^m (statistical)	—	434	201
ω_a^m (systematic)	—	56	25
C_e	451	53	32
C_p	170	13	10
C_{pa}	-27	75	13
C_{dd}	-15	-	17
C_{ml}	0	5	3
$f_{\text{calib}} \langle \omega'_p(\vec{r}) \times M(\vec{r}) \rangle$	—	56	46
B_k	-21	37	13
B_q	-21	92	20
$\mu'_p(34.7^\circ)/\mu_e$	—	10	11
m_μ/m_e	—	22	22
$g_e/2$	—	0	0
Total systematic	—	157	70
Total external parameters	—	25	25
Totals	622	462	215

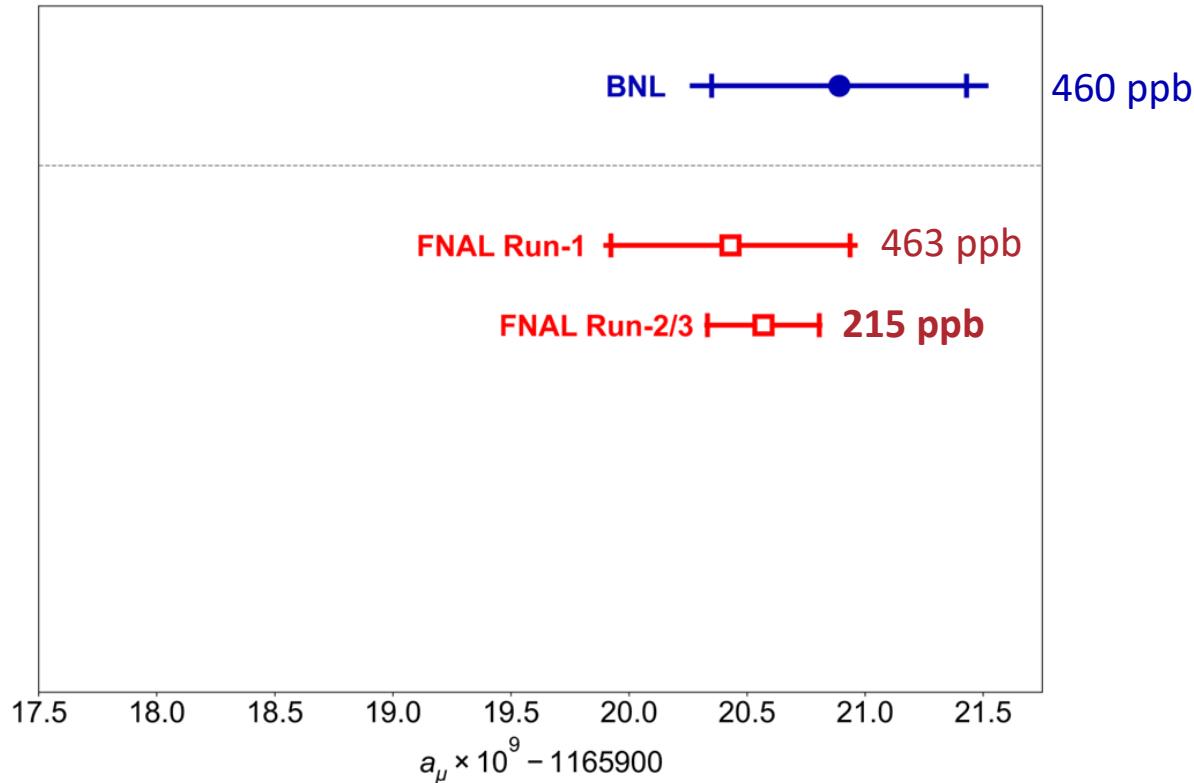
[ppb]	Run-1	Run-2/3	Ratio
Stat.	434	201	2.2
Syst.	157	70	2.2

Systematic uncertainty of
 70 ppb surpasses our 
 proposal goal of 100 ppb!

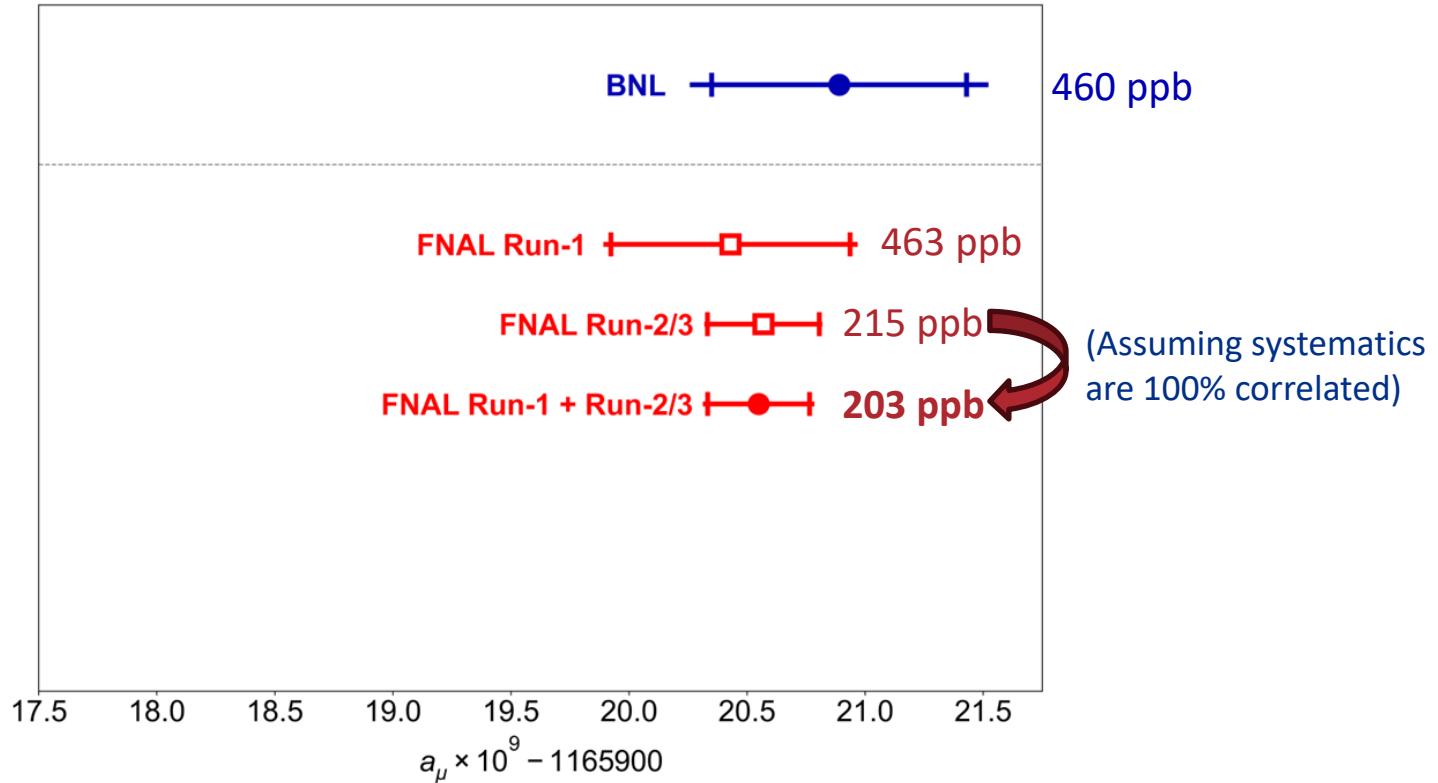
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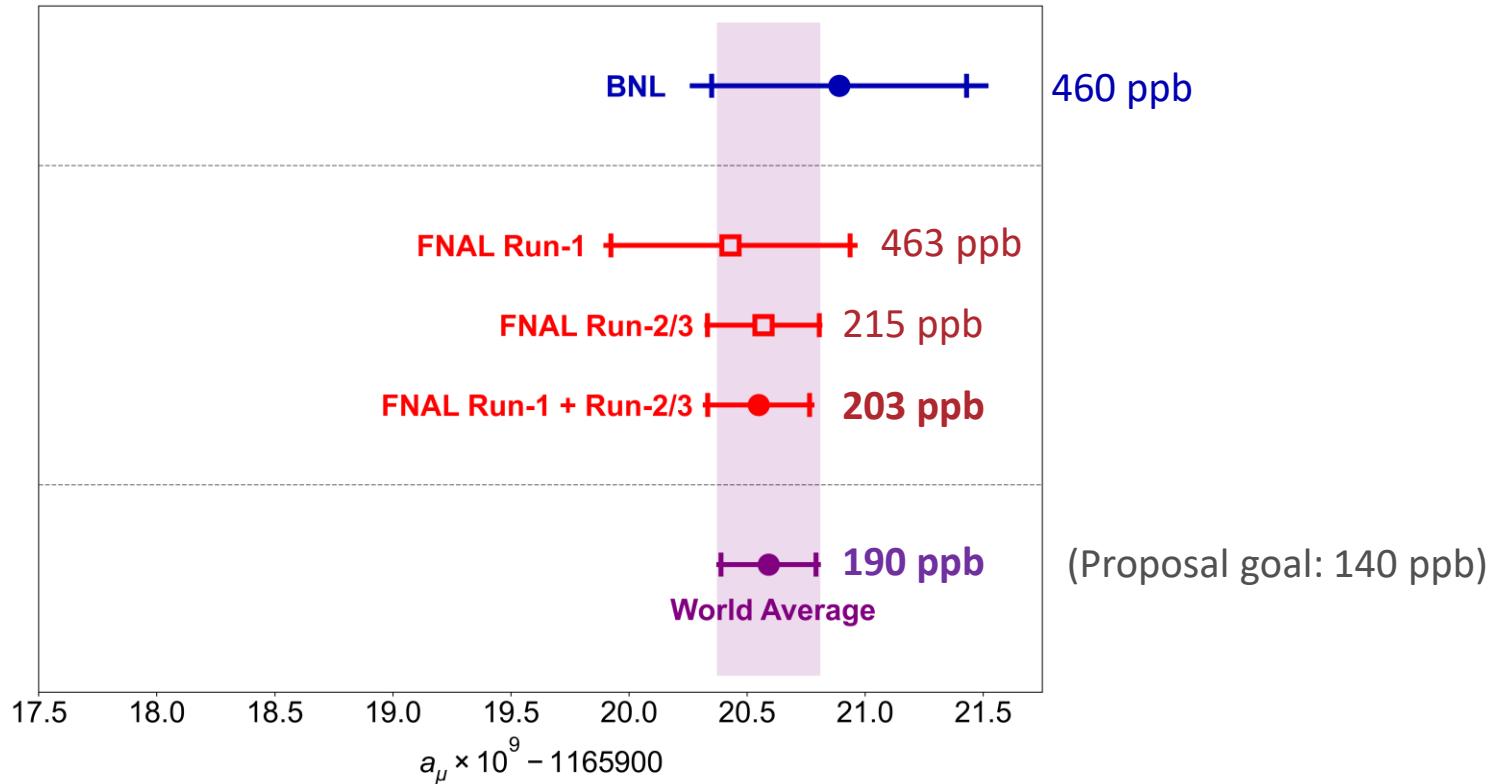
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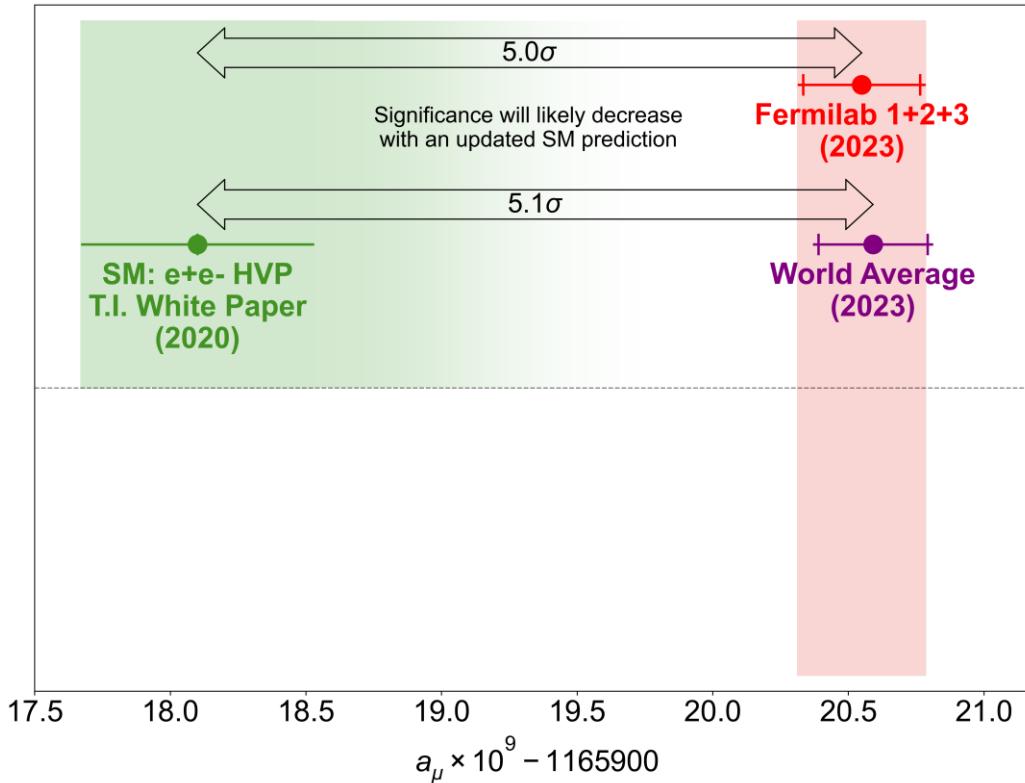
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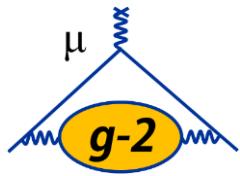
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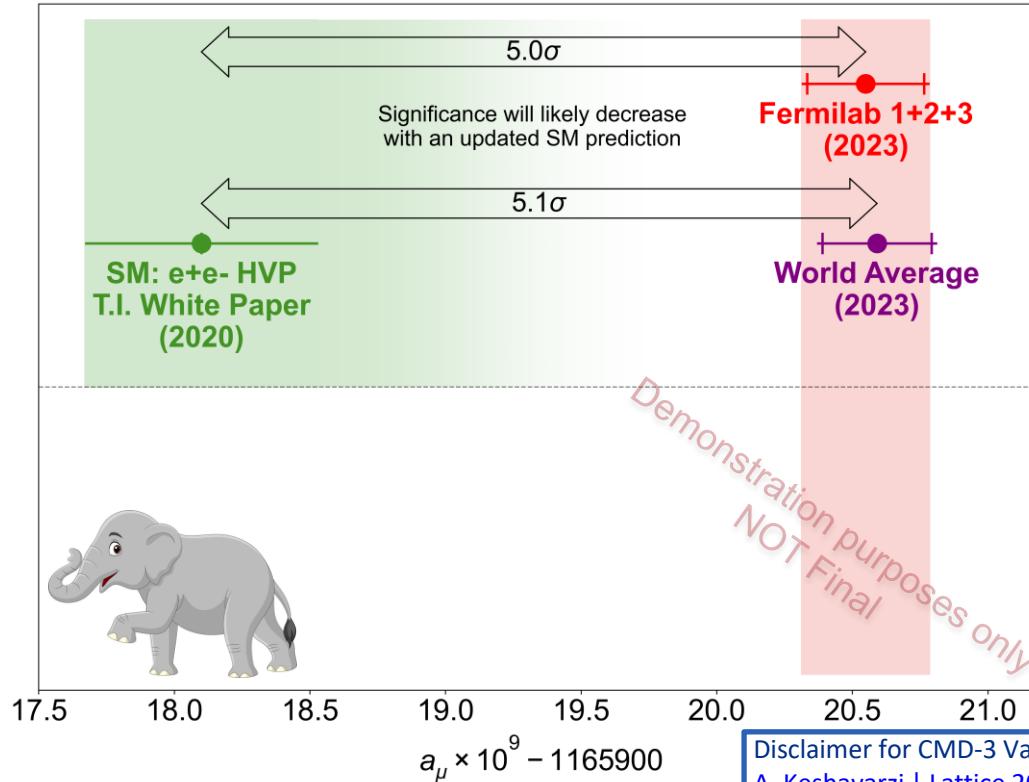
Muon g-2 Collaboration Meeting – Elba 2019

Were there no updates to the theory side, I could end the talk here...

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Where we stand now



Disclaimer for CMD-3 Values

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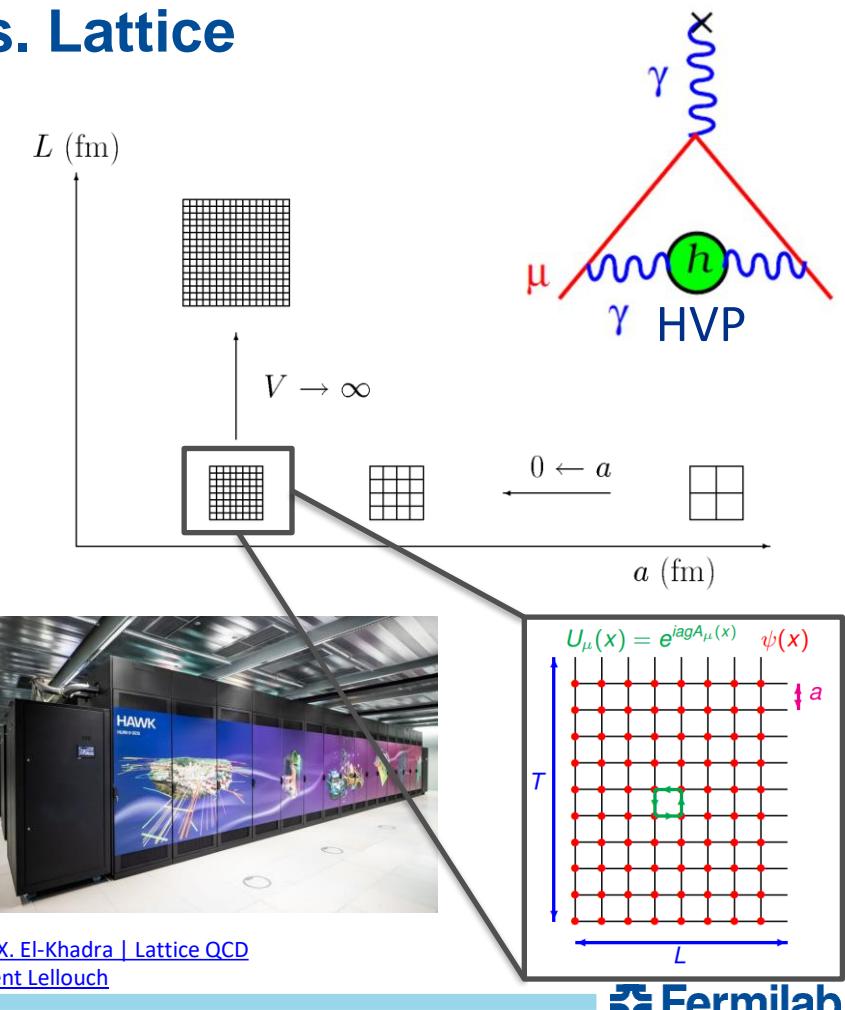
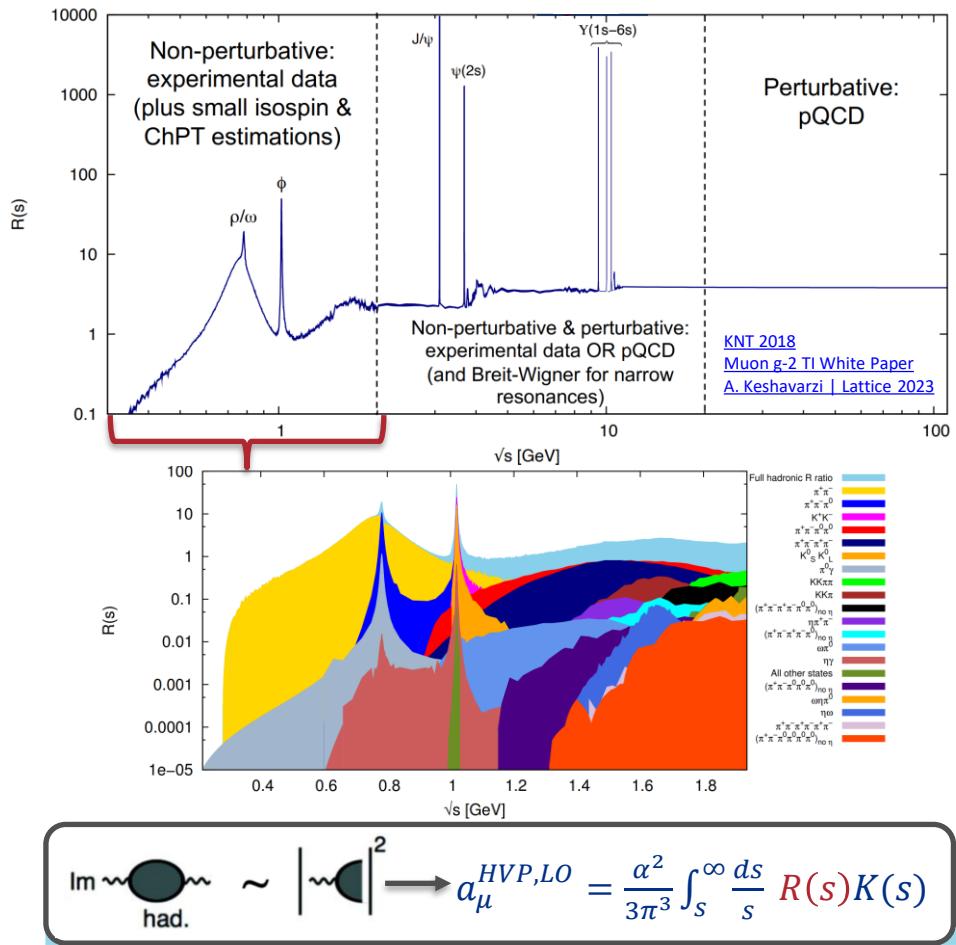
IMPORTANT: THIS PLOT IS VERY ROUGH!

- TI White Paper result has been substituted by CMD-3 only for $0.33 \rightarrow 1.0$ GeV.
- The NLO HVP has not been updated.
- It is purely for demonstration purposes → should not be taken as final!

⚠ WARNING

You're about to hear an
experimentalist talk about
theory...

Theoretical Tensions: Dispersive vs. Lattice



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Only one sub-percent evaluation of a_μ^{HVP} on the lattice [BMW 20]

Goal: many 0.5% lattice calculations

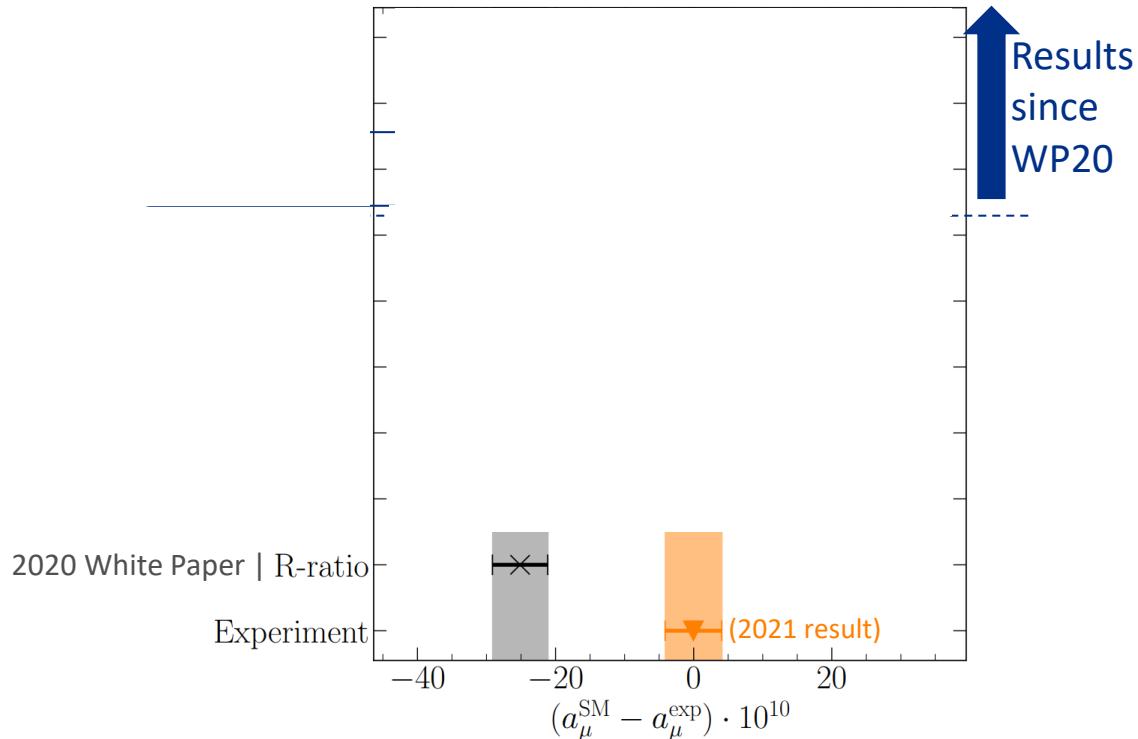
- Limited supercomputer time
- Timescale: 1.5-2 years

Goal: comparisons of lattice with dispersive results

- Tools developed to make intermediate comparisons
- Timescale: right now!

$a_\mu^{\text{hyp,LO}}$ from:

	staggered		twisted mass
	Wilson		domain wall



CALCULABLE ~~HABITABLE ZONE~~

Discretization
effects

Good statistical precision
Small finite volume effects

Noise
Finite volume
corrections
...

Integration window [$\propto fm$]

Image: UC Berkeley/UH-Manoa/Illumina Studios

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Lattice: Euclidean Time Windows

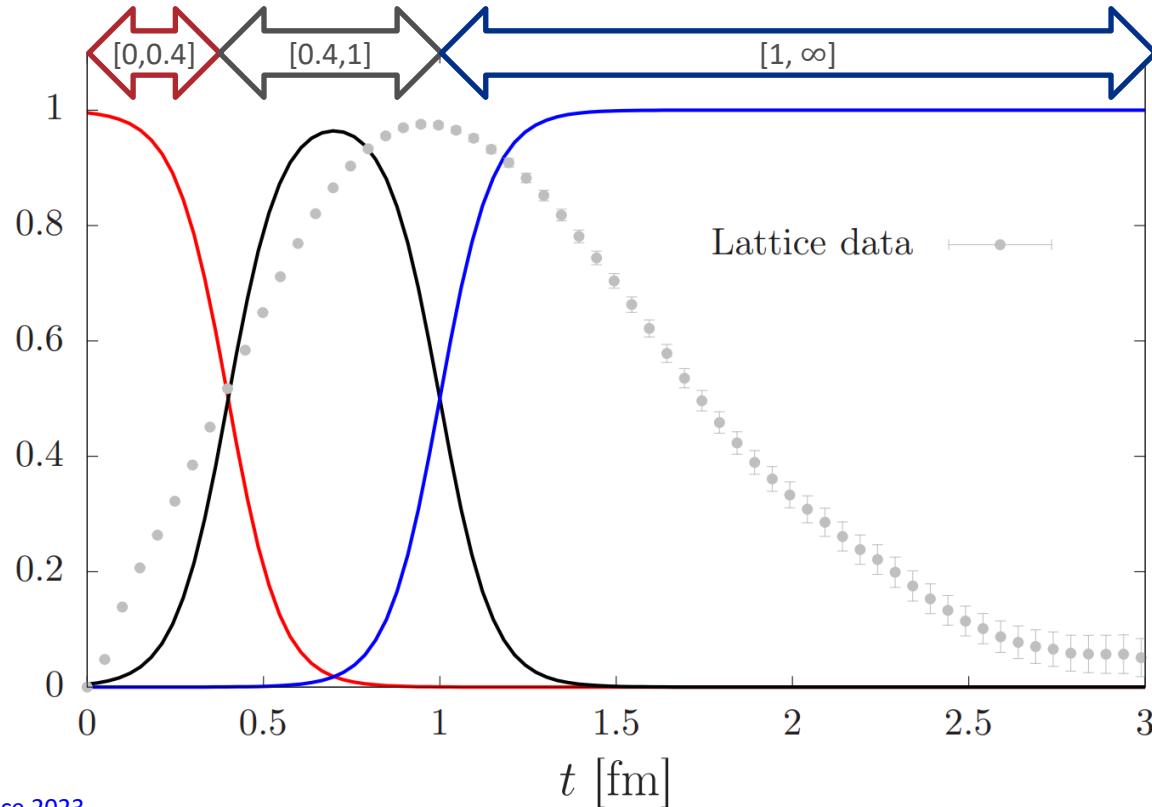
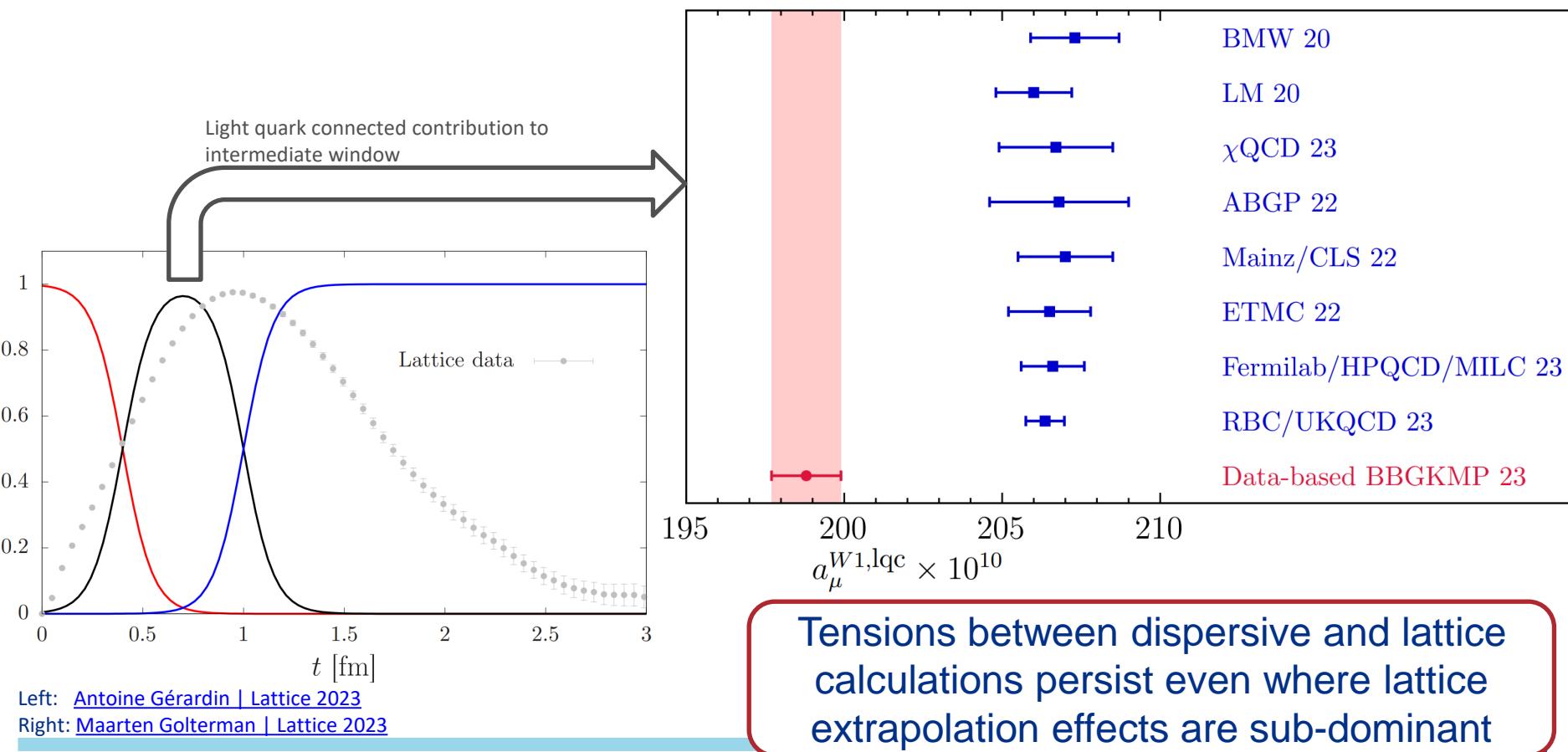


Image: Antoine Gérardin | Lattice 2023

Equation: Phys. Rev. D 106, 114502 (2022)

$$\Theta(t, t', \Delta) \equiv \frac{1}{2} (1 + \tanh[(t - t')/\Delta]).$$

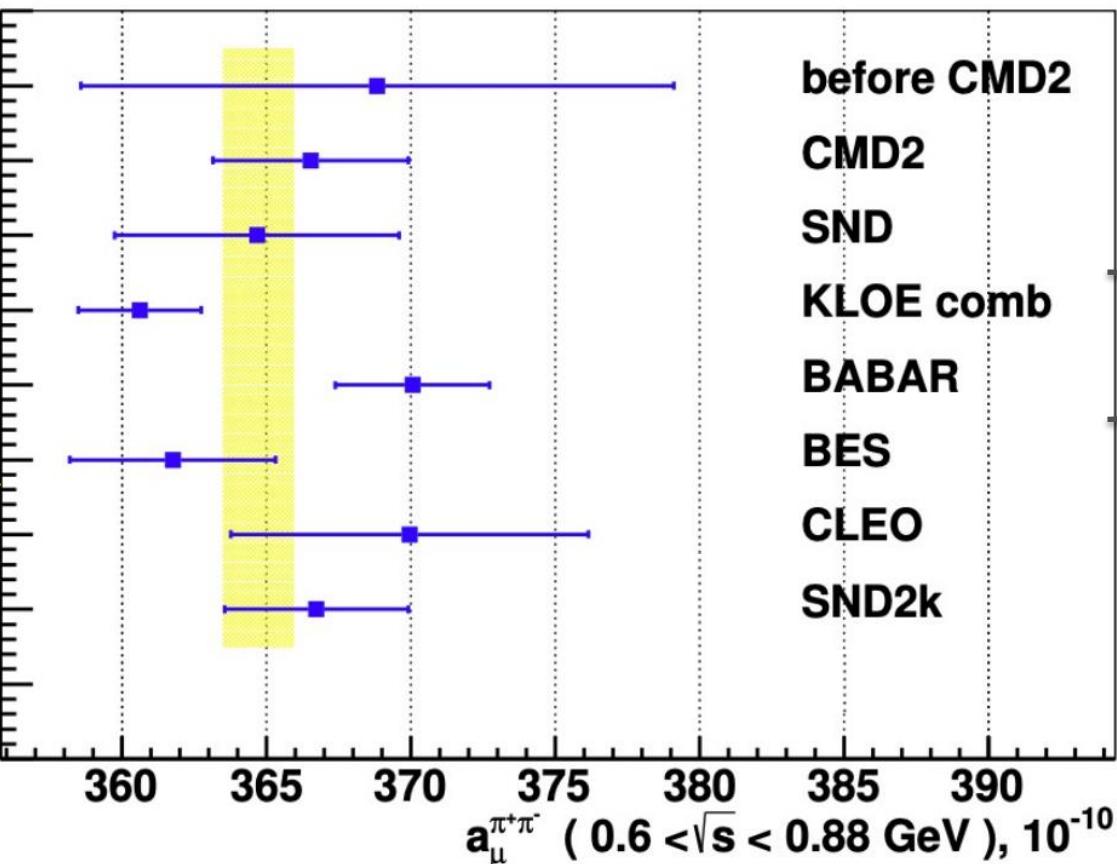
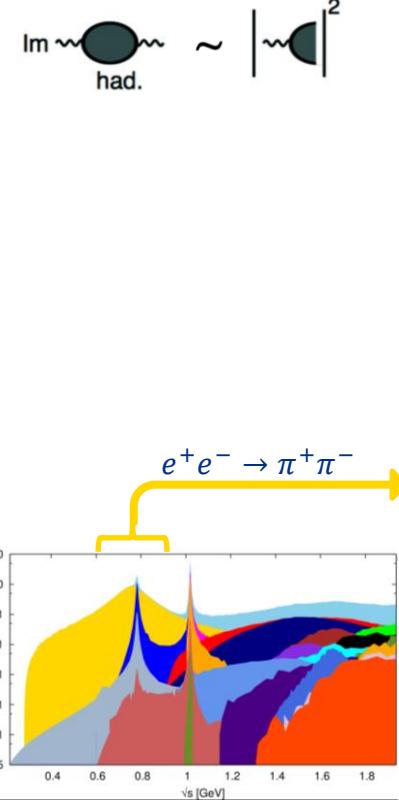
Theoretical Tensions: Intermediate Window



Left: Antoine Gérardin | Lattice 2023

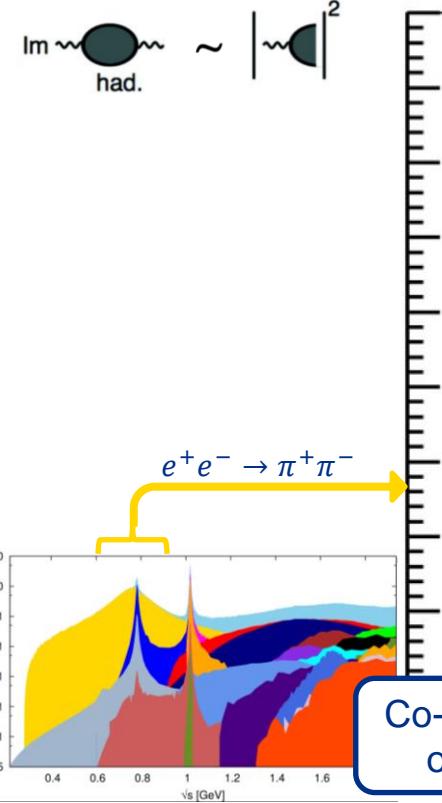
Right: Maarten Golterman | Lattice 2023

Theoretical (Input) Tensions: Babar, KLOE, and CMD-3

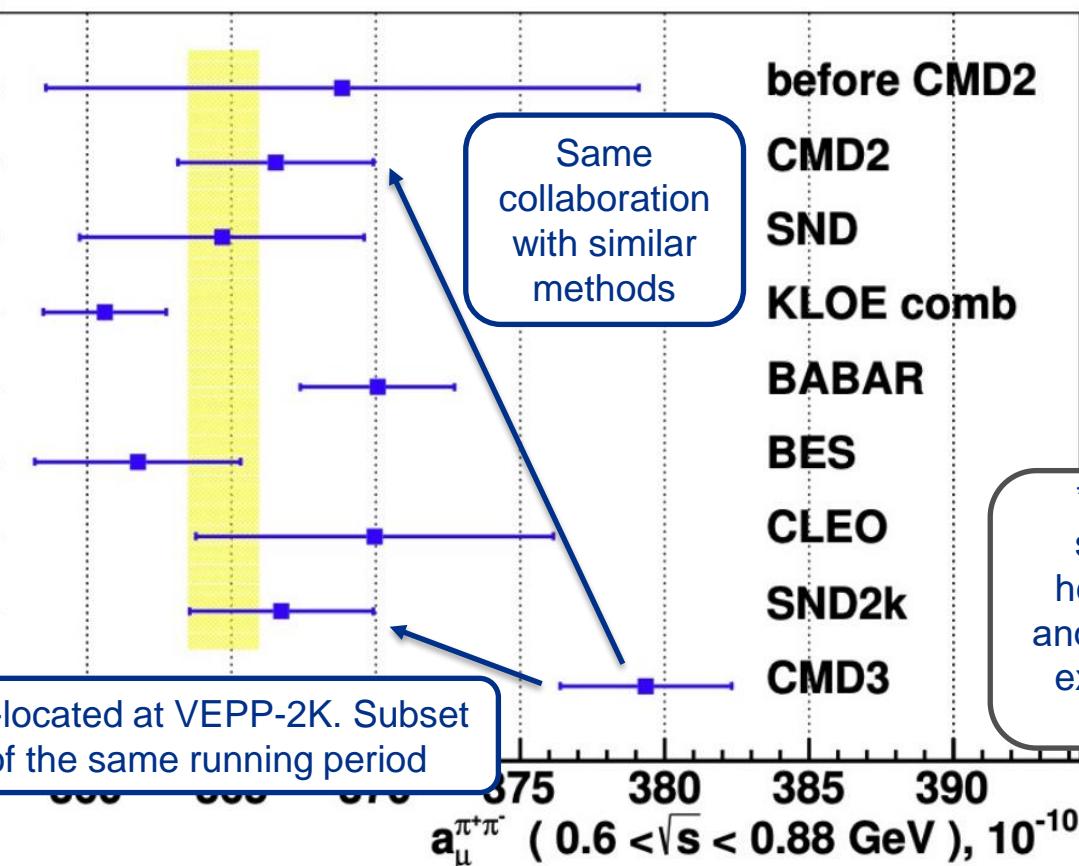


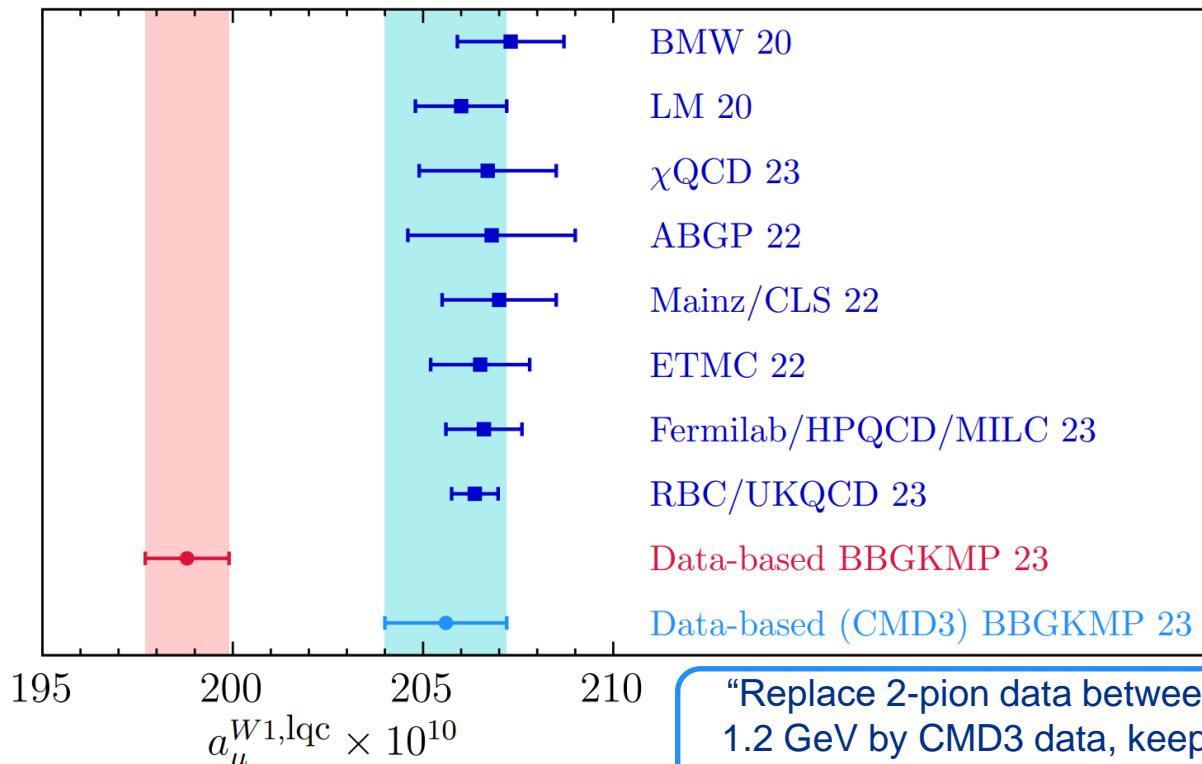
For 2020 WP,
known tensions
between KLOE
and BABAR were
incorporated
into systematic
error

Theoretical (Input) Tensions: Babar, KLOE, and CMD-3



F. Ignatov et al, arXiv:2302.08834





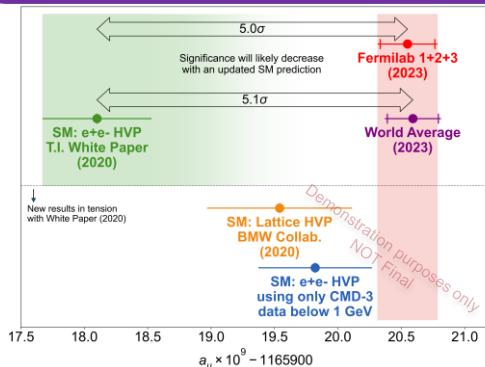
“Replace 2-pion data between 0.33 and 1.2 GeV by CMD3 data, keeping KNT19 data elsewhere (preliminary)”

Light quark connected contribution
to intermediate window

[Maarten Golterman | Lattice 2023](#)

What does it all mean?

Assuming
The Experiment
Correctly
Measures Nature



“Old dispersive inputs are right”

- 5 σ signal of new physics!
- Difference between dispersive and lattice results needs to be understood.

“Lattice calculations are right”

- Standard model lives to fight another day
- Still need more independent (blinded) calculations to confirm the results
- $\approx 4\sigma$ tension (in some energy ranges) between lattice and dispersive evaluations to solve. Do dispersive calculations get the right inputs?

“CMD-3 cross sections are right”

- Assuming CMD-3 is gives the ‘truest’ value of the low-energy e^+/e^- cross section, the lattice and dispersive calculations can agree
- How did 20+ years of experiments get the wrong e^+/e^- cross sections?
- What did CMD-3 do different? No ‘smoking gun’ yet.
- Does this cause tensions elsewhere?

What does it all mean?



Mismatch with Standard-Model Predictions Reaches 5 Sigma

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The Muon g-2 Collaboration has doubled the precision of their 2021 measurement of the muon's magnetic moment, strengthening a tension with predictions based on the standard model.



On Monday, July 24, members of the Muon g-2 Collaboration gathered at the University of Liverpool, UK, to "unblind" their latest experimental results. This photo shows Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory scientist James Mott reading out one of the ... [Show more](#)

Theory initiative plans for an updated white paper in late 2024



The Muon $g - 2$ experiment at the Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory near Chicago, Illinois, has made the best measure of the muon's magnetic moment. Credit: Science History Images/Alamy

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Dreams of new physics fade with latest muon magnetism result

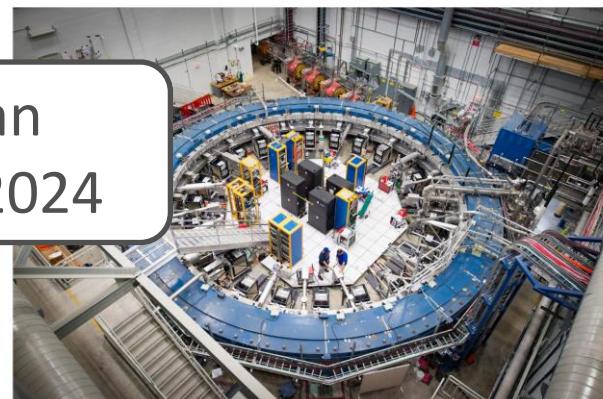
Precision test of particle's magnetism confirms earlier shocking findings – but theory might not need a rethink after all.

Davide Castelvecchi



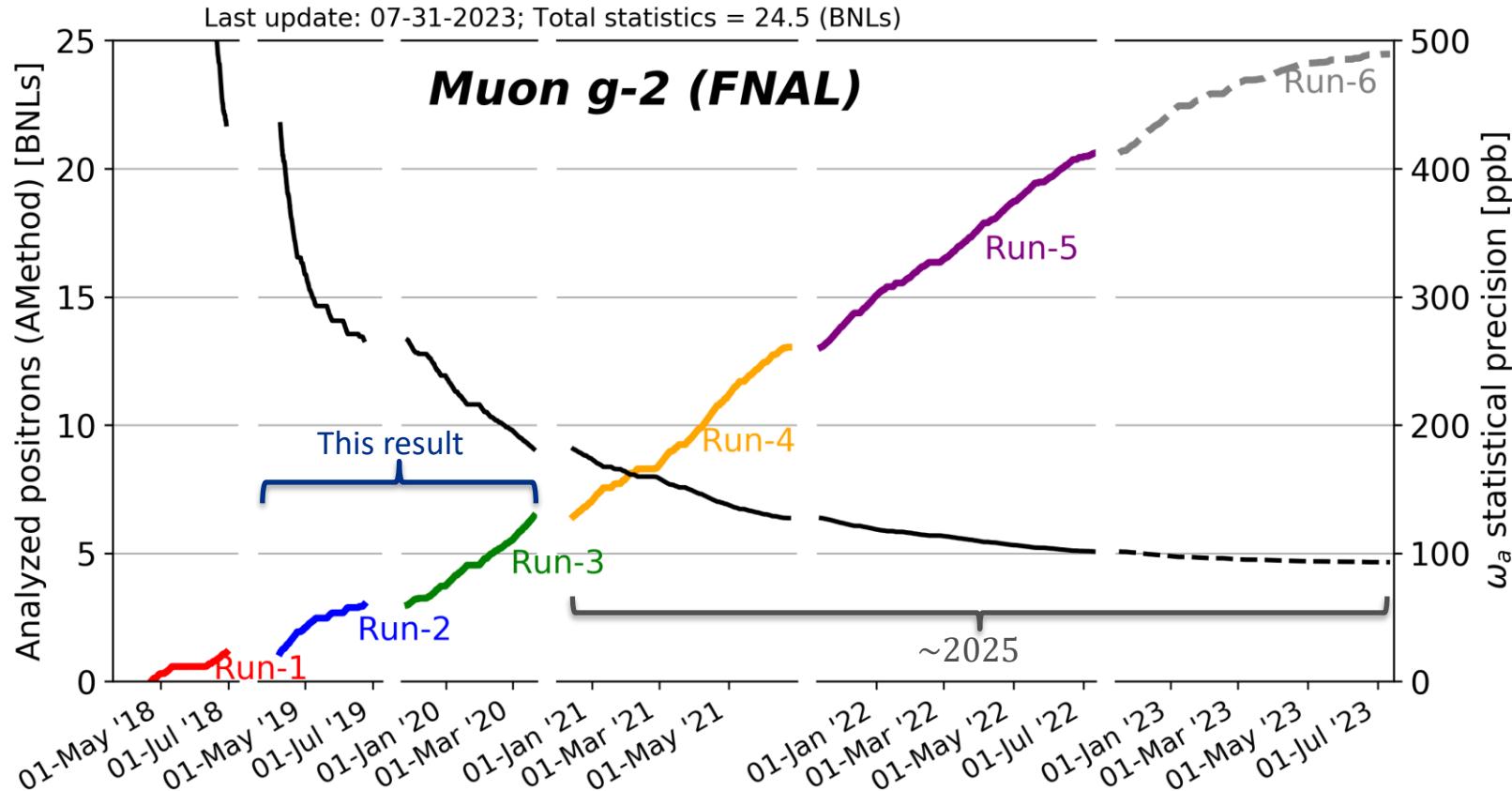
The New York Times Physicists Move One Step Closer to a Theoretical Showdown

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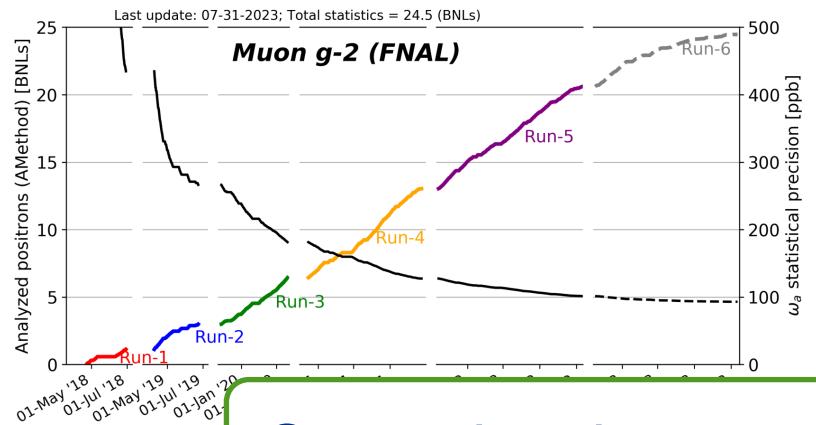


The Muon $g - 2$ ring at the Fermilab particle accelerator complex in Batavia, Ill. Reidar Hahn/Fermilab, via US Department of Energy

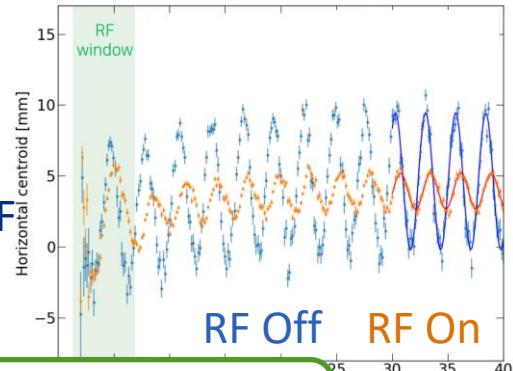
Experimental outlook: The best is yet to come!



Improvements for Run-4+

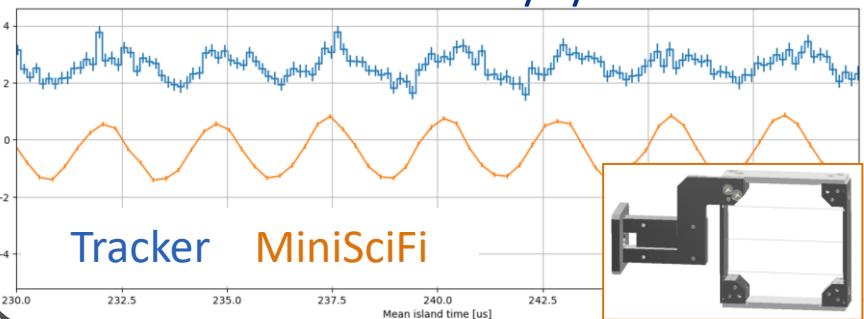


Experimental conditions continue to improve. Quad RF in Run-5 reduces CBO amplitude

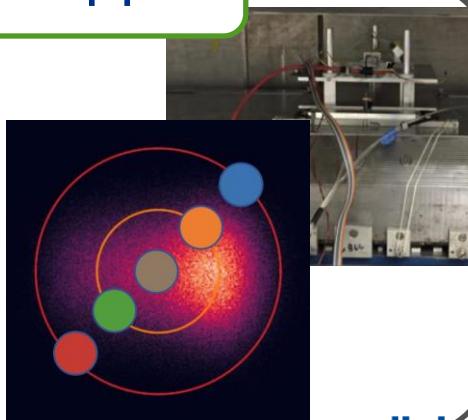


On track to beat our proposal goal of 140ppb!

Additional new detectors in Run-4/5/6



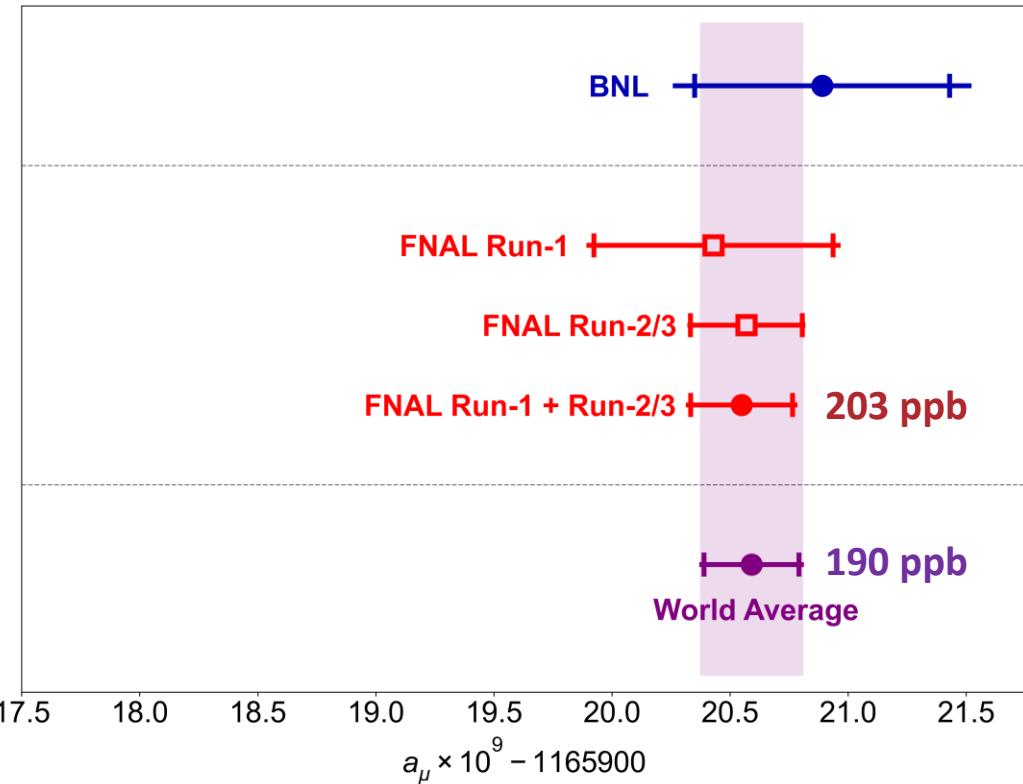
Measurements of the magnetic field (main field + transients) continue post-Run-6

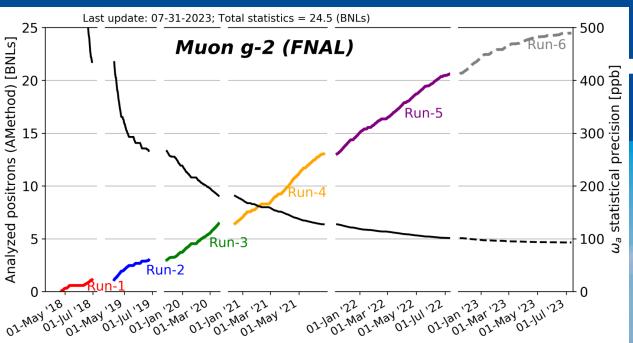
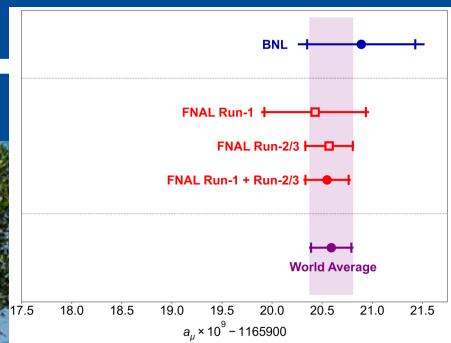


Conclusions

- The Muon g-2 Experiment at Fermilab has measured a_μ to 0.2 ppm
- Theoretical calculations of a_μ remain in flux → Updated white paper in 2024
- Run-4+ promises more improvements in statistical and systematic uncertainties

It's an exciting time for muons!





Muon g-2 Collaboration Meeting – Elba 2019

Thank you!

