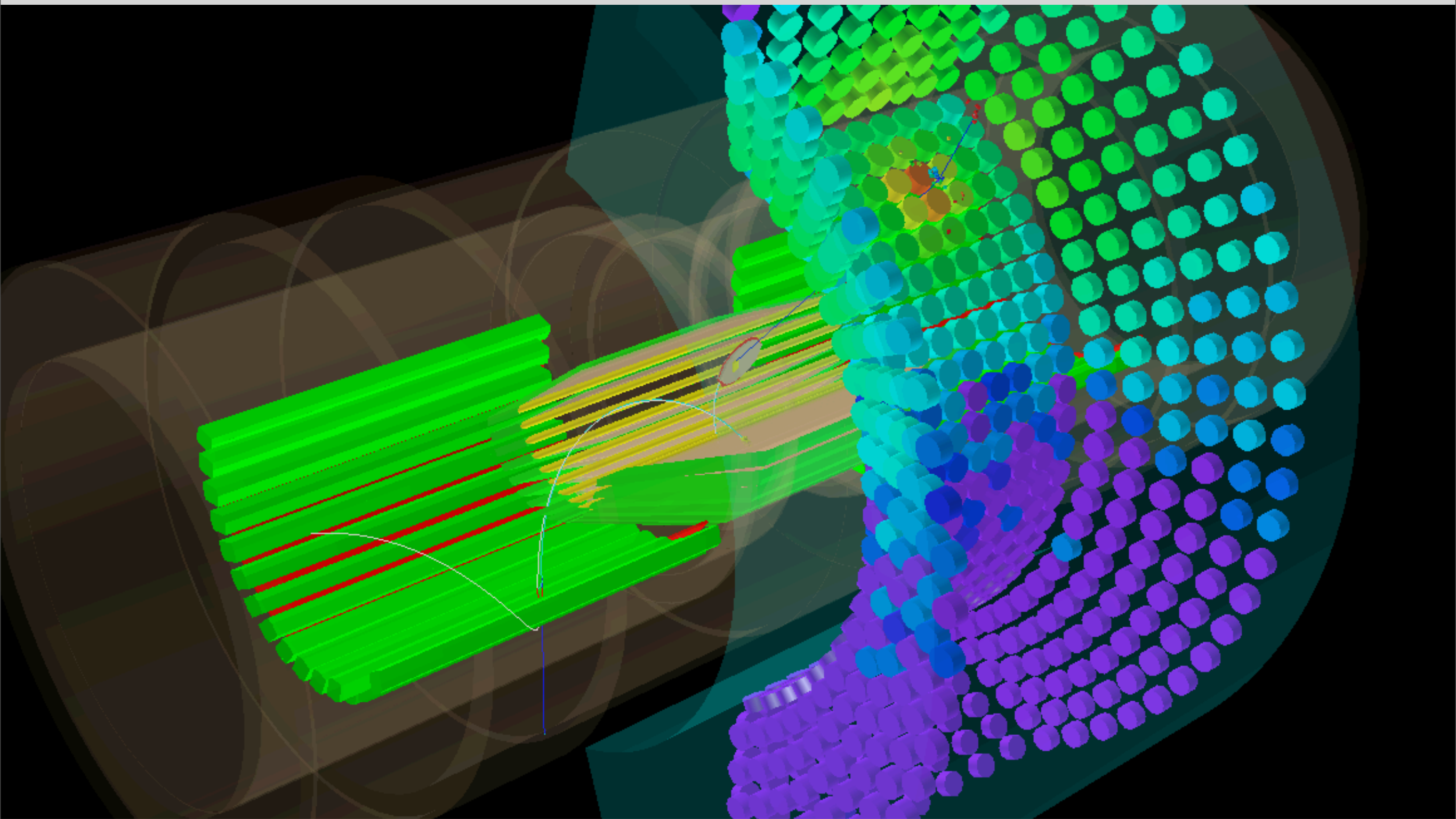




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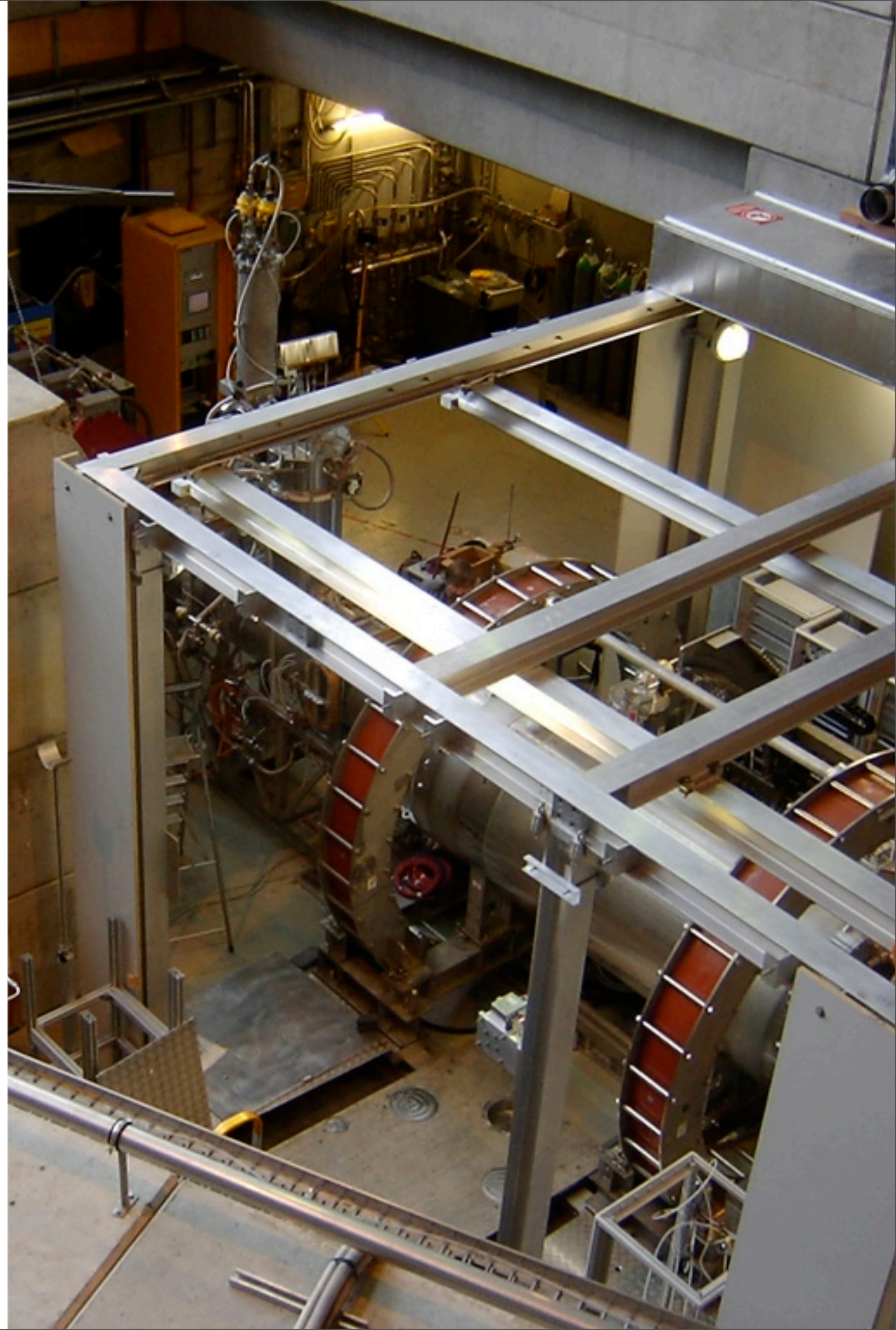
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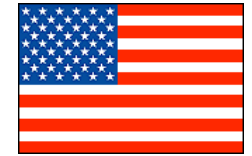
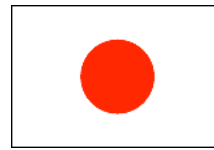
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Introduction

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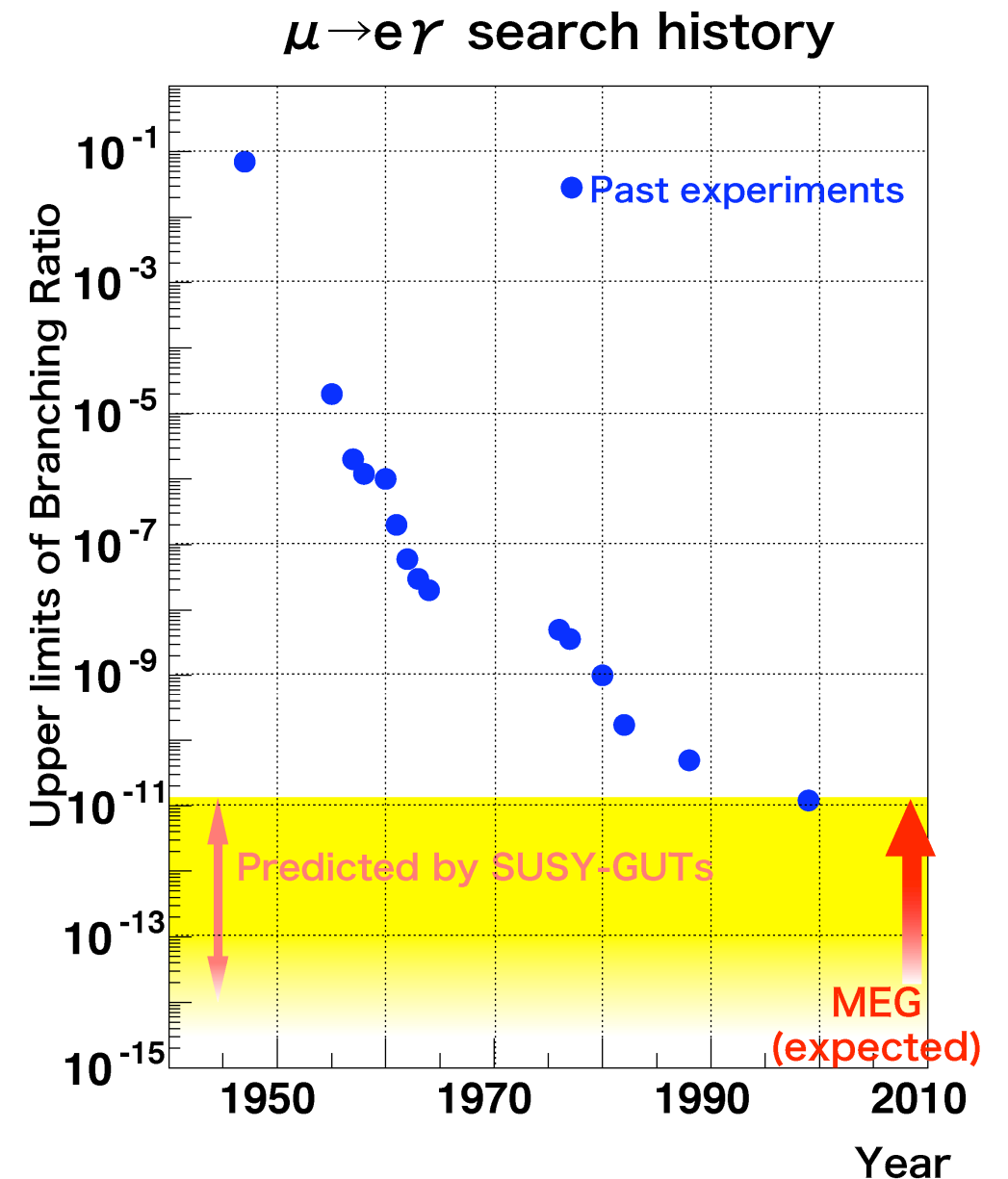
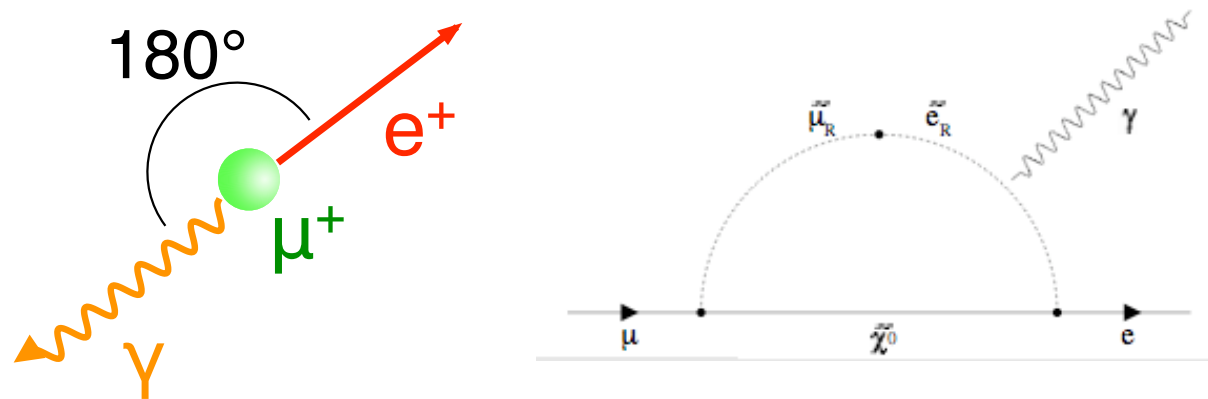
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What Is MEG?

- MEG is an experiment to seek evidence for lepton flavor violating muon decay, $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$.
- Target sensitivity $\sim \text{BR} \sim 10^{-13}$ improving the present limit by two orders of magnitude.
- Real chance to discover evidence of new physics beyond the SM such as SUSY-GUTs.



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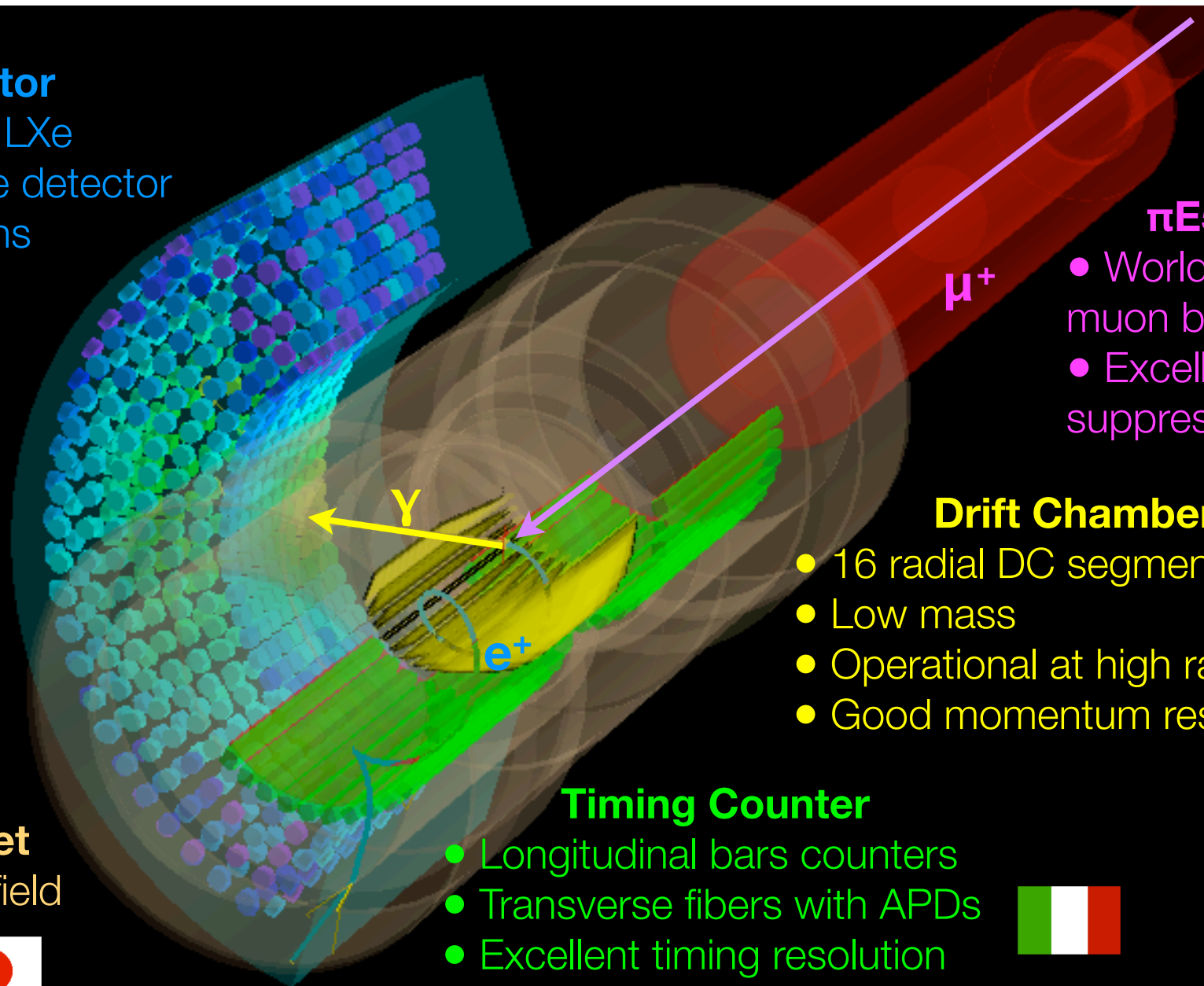
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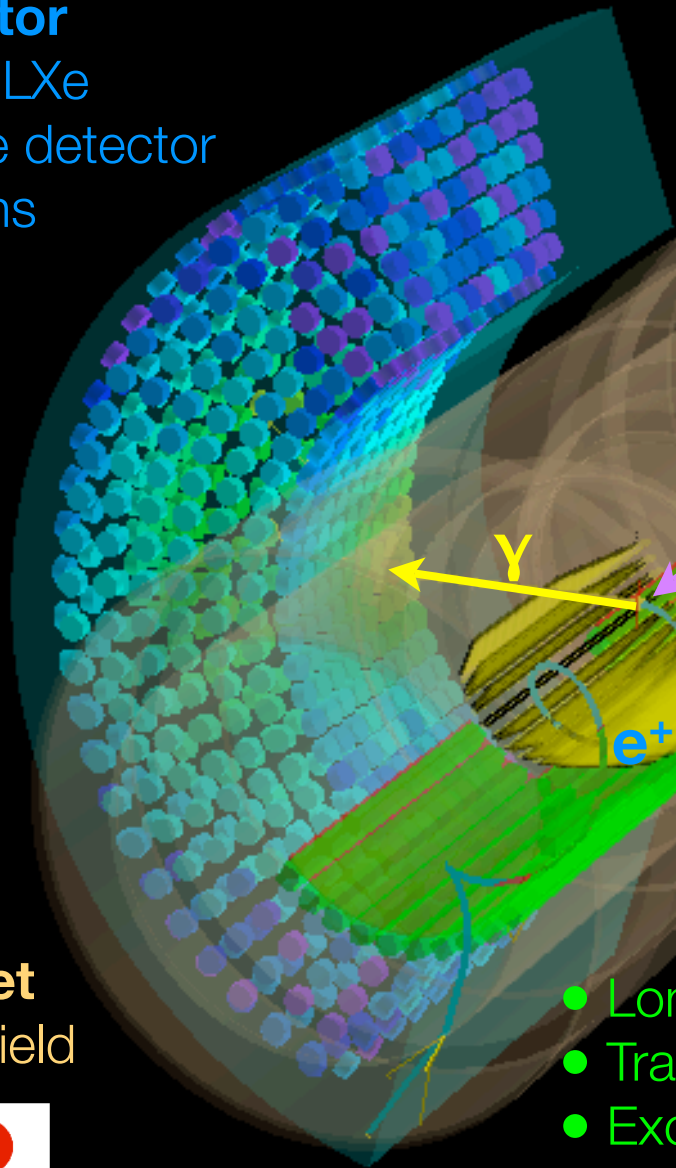
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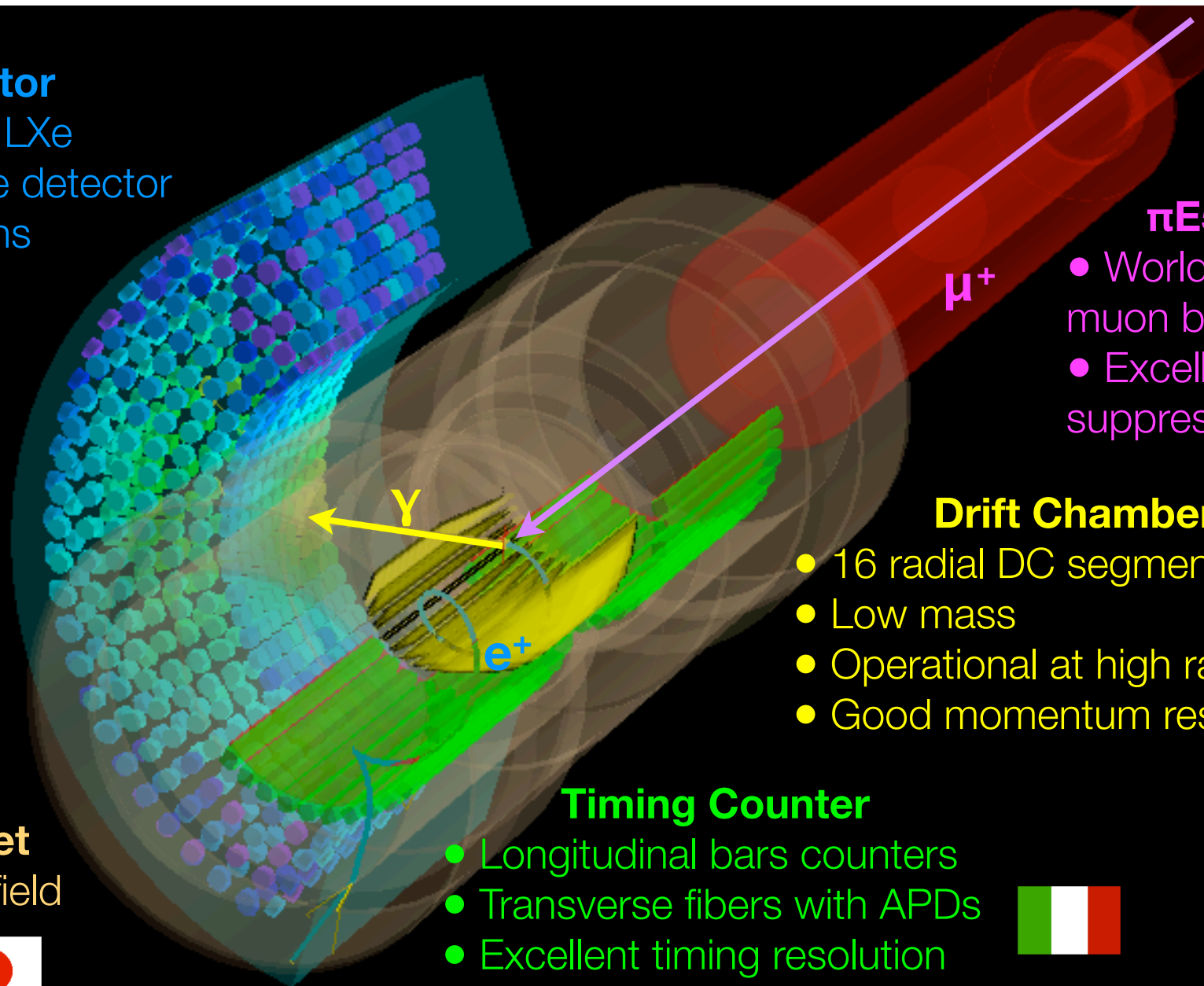
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Flags: Switzerland, Russia, Japan, USA, Italy

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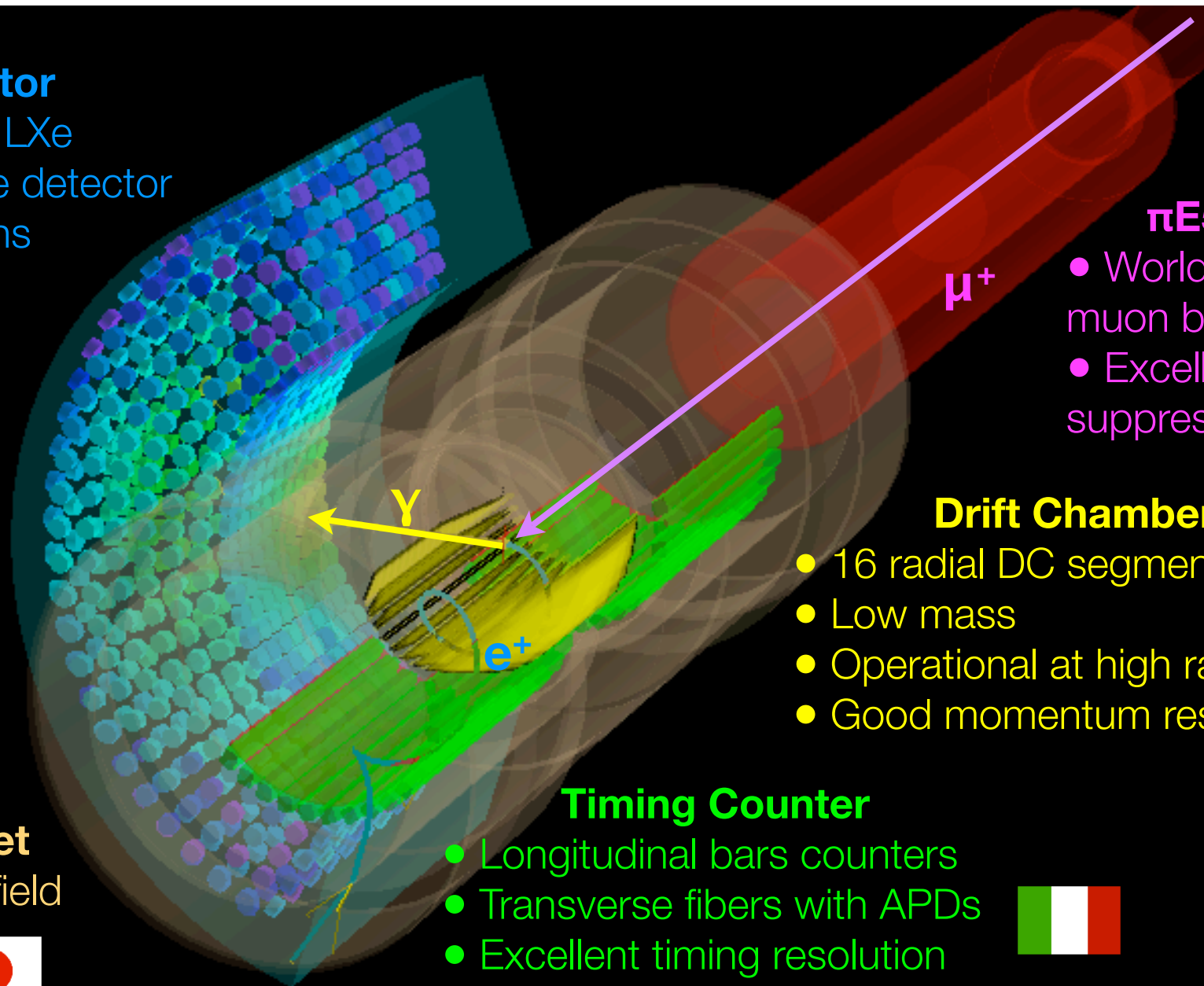
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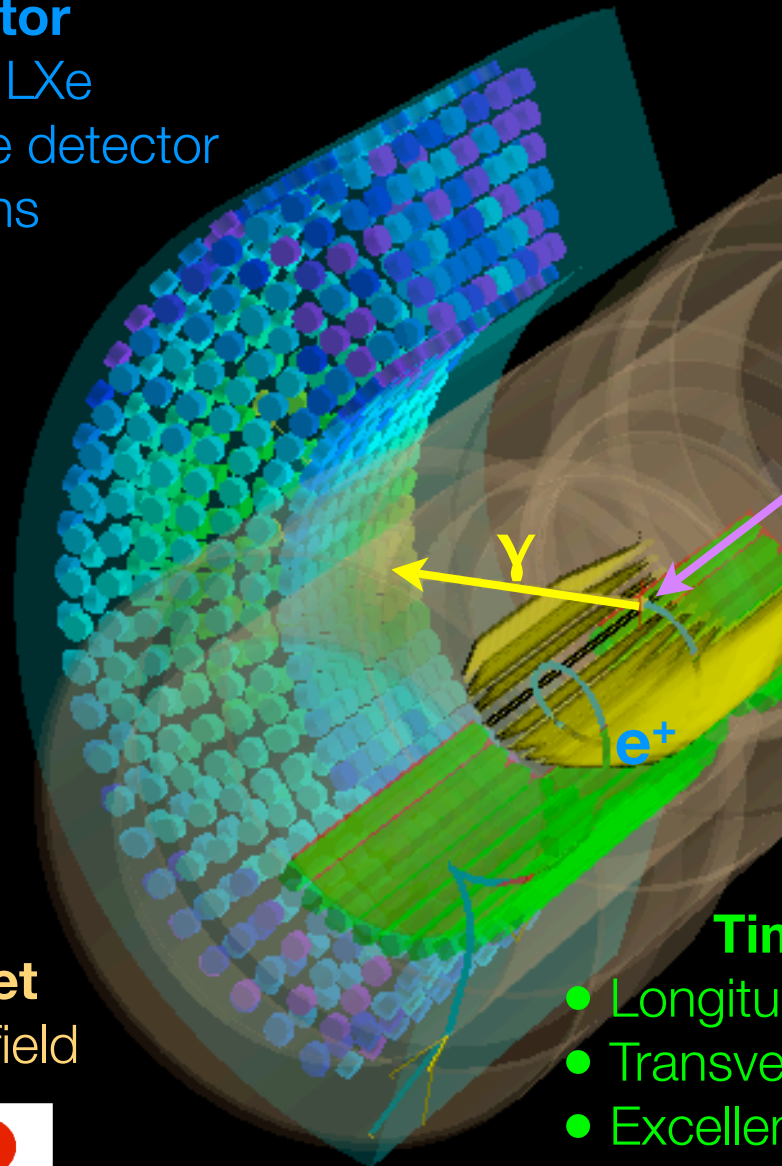
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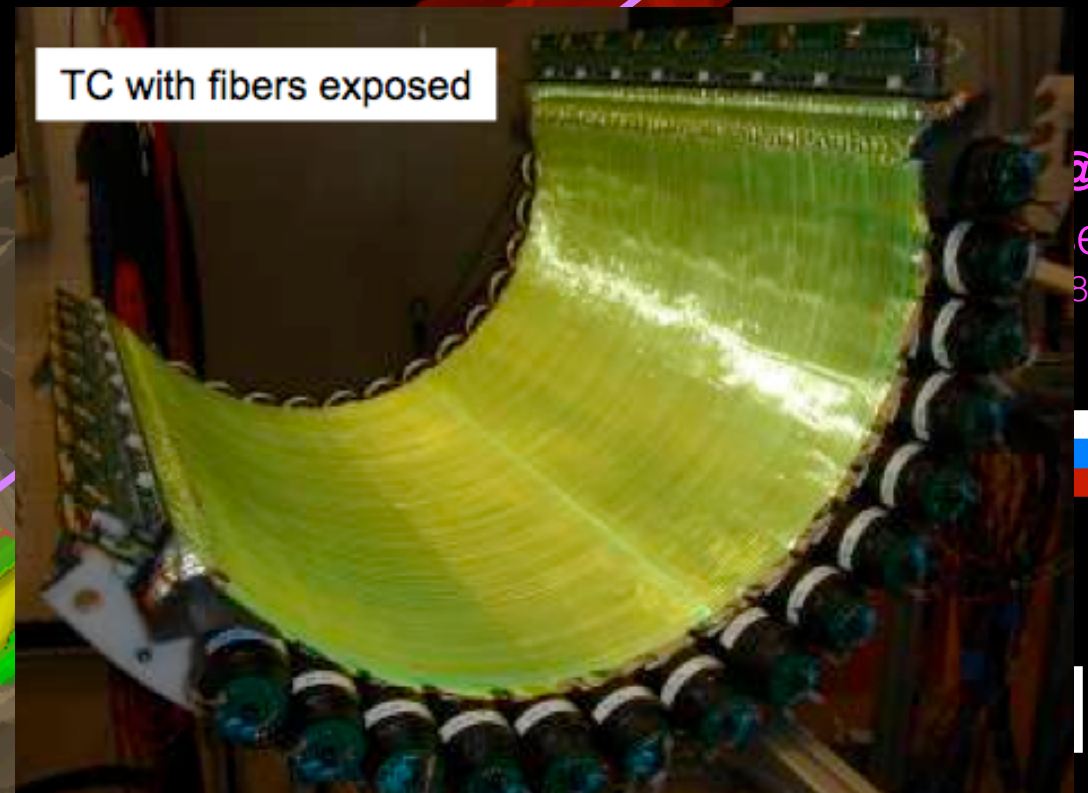


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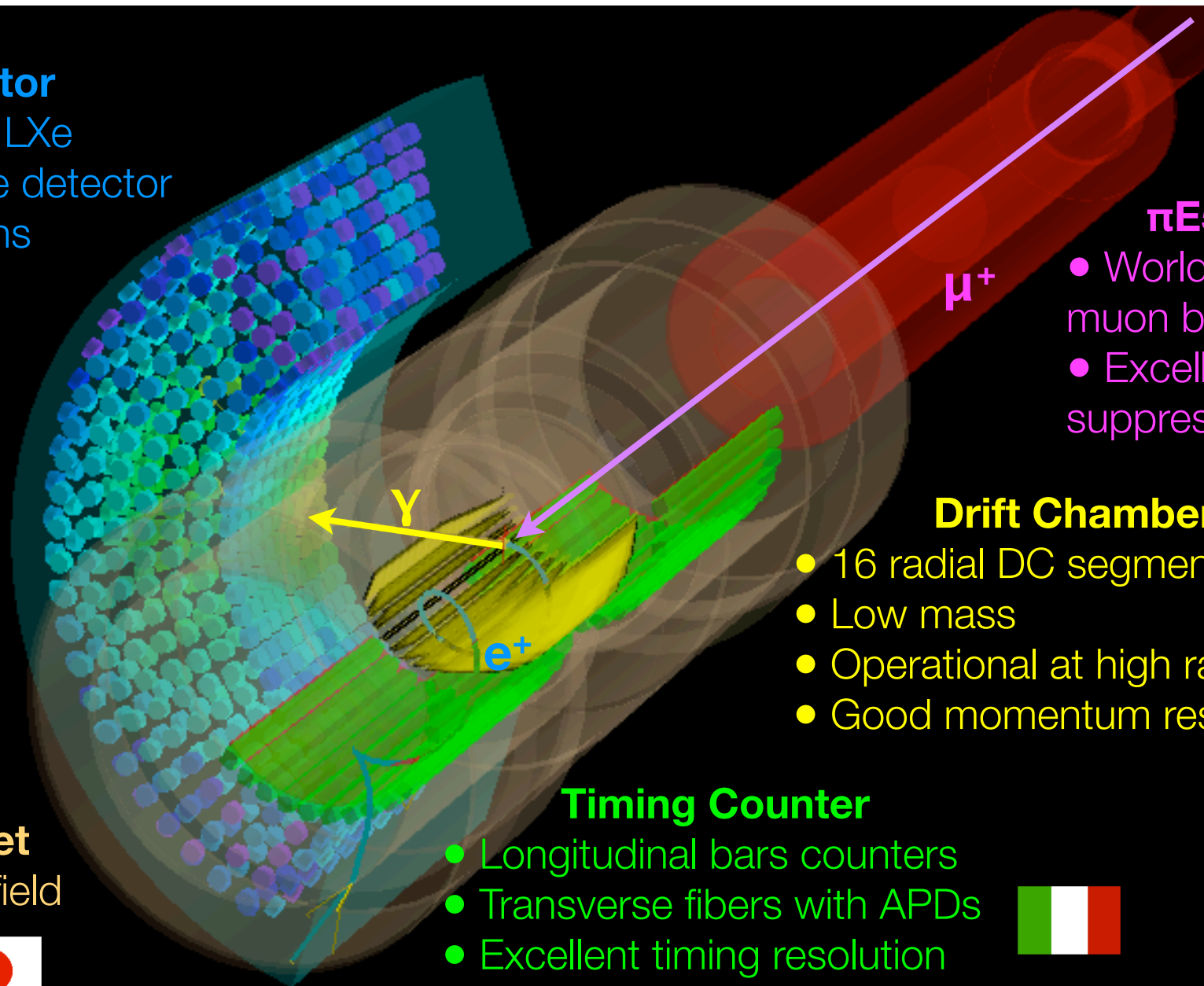
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Run 2008

What We Did Last Year

- Engineering run in 2007
 - All the main detector components assembled and operated.
 - $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ trigger worked at expected rate.
 - Test physics run (~1-2days)
- Issues
 - LXe γ -detector
 - Low light yield due to impurity in LXe
 - HV feedthrough problem
 - e^+ spectrometer
 - Some layers were not operational in drift chamber system
 - Fiber counters in the TOF detector system are missing.
 - ...

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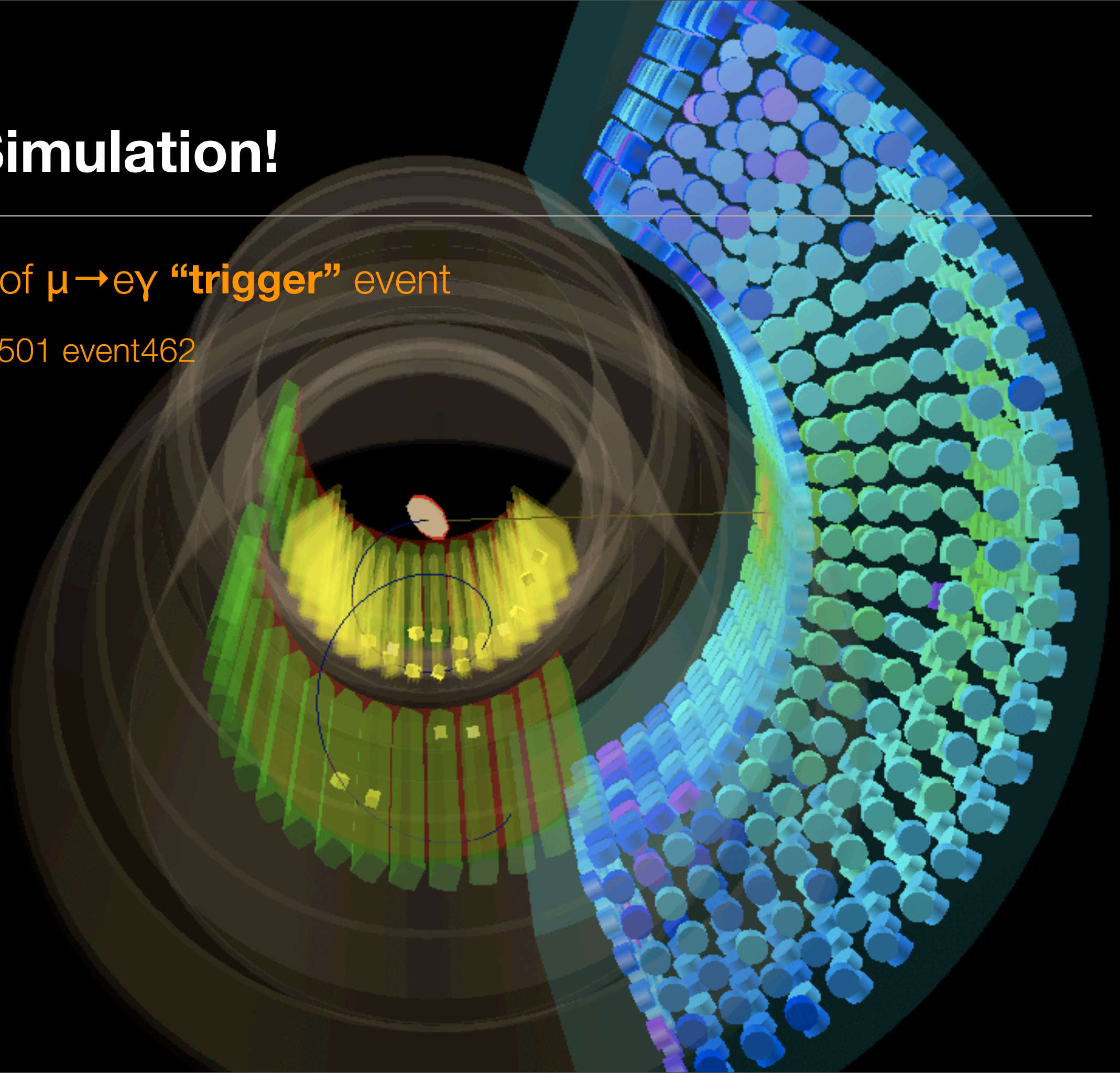
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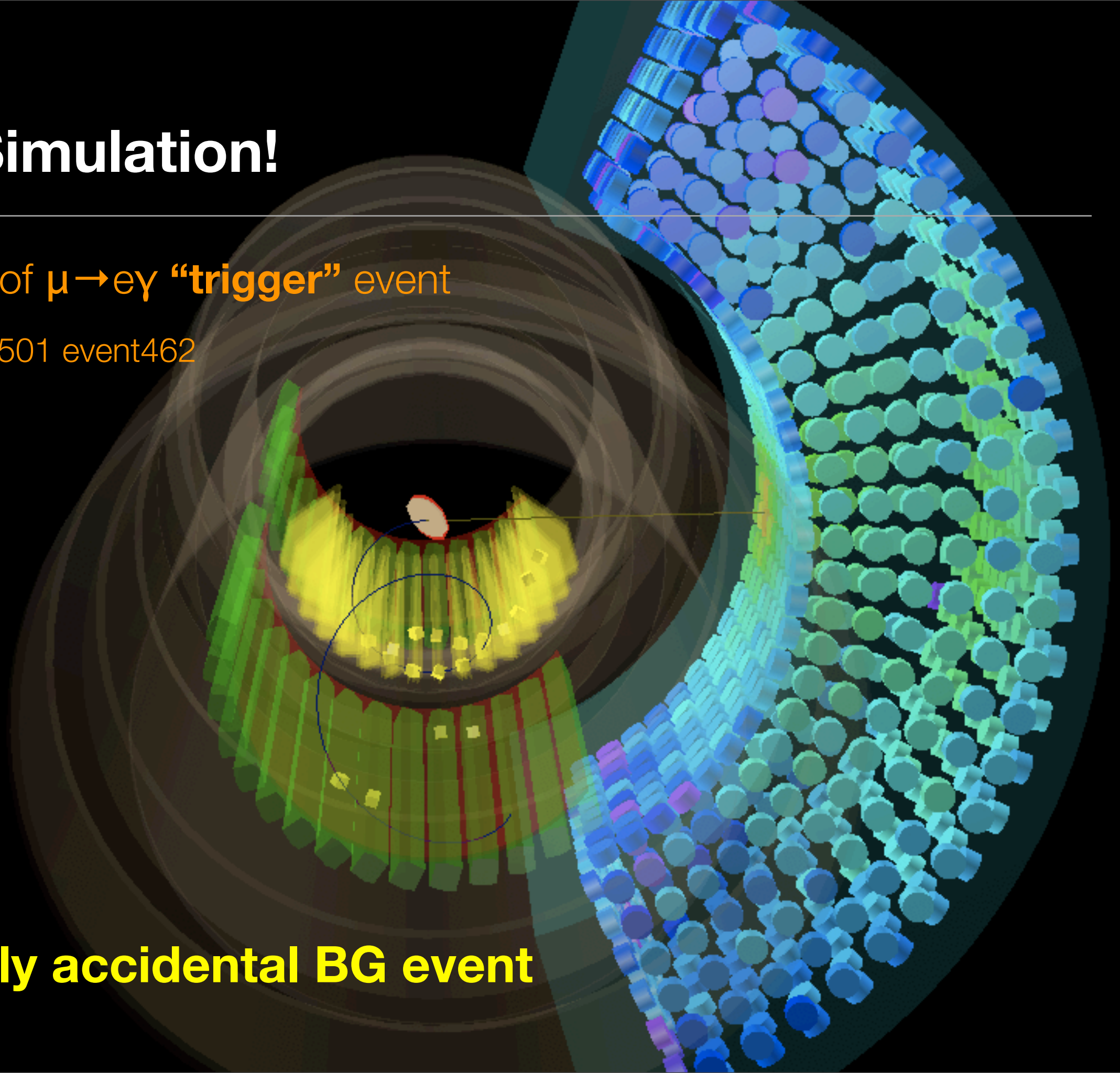


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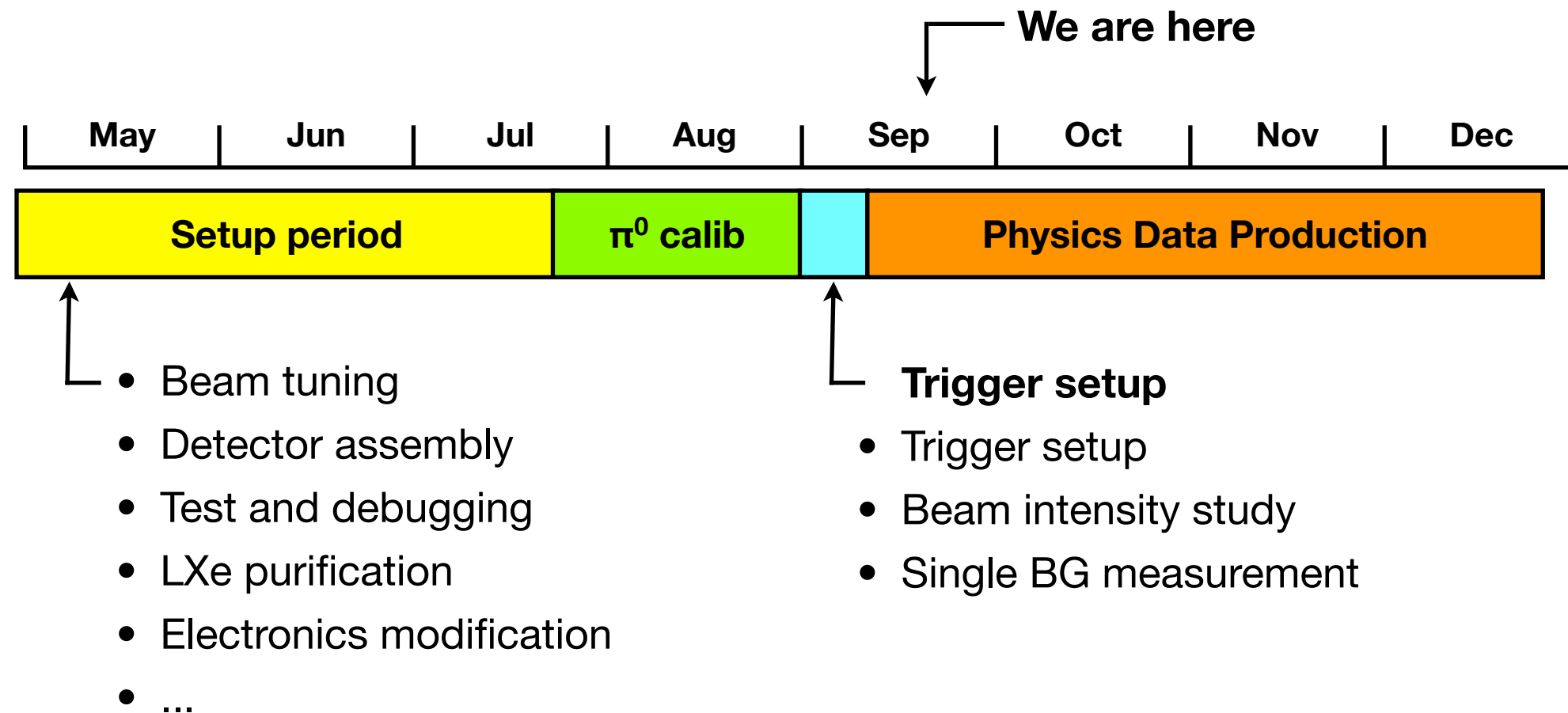
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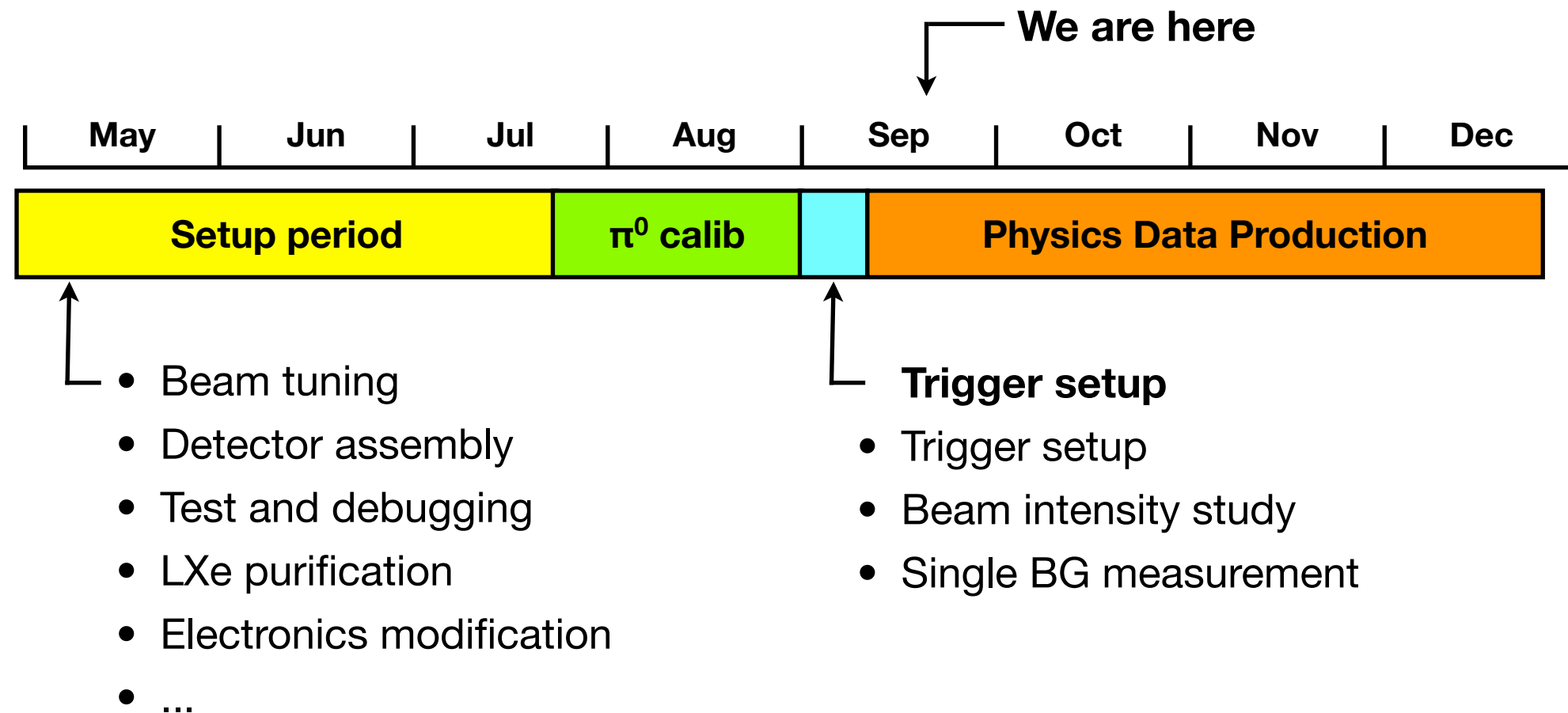
Most likely accidental BG event



Run Schedule 2008



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Goal of run 2008

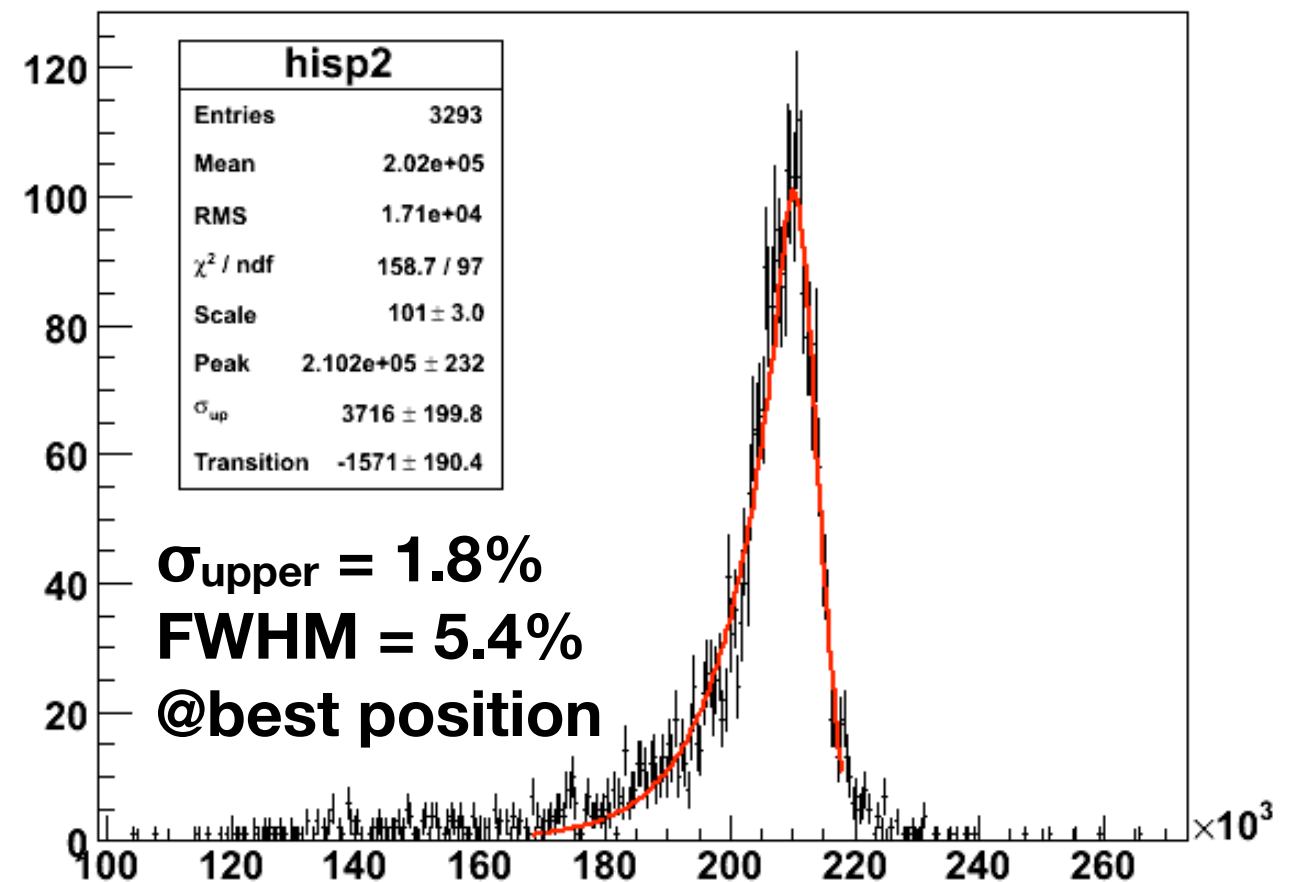
- *First physics-data production (~12week)*
- *“Significant” physics result*

Detector Performance in 2008

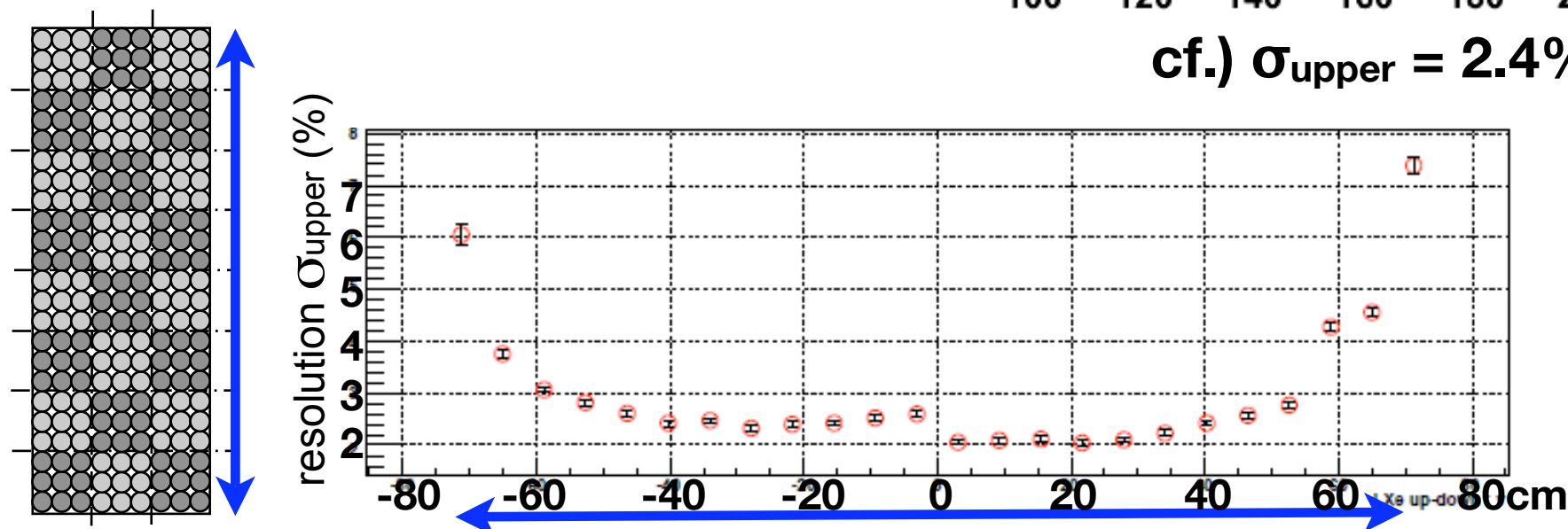
(Preliminary results)

LXe: π^0 Calibration: Energy

- LXe detector calibrated **in full acceptance** with high-energy γ from π^0 decay
- Energy resolution for 55MeV- γ
- Systematic non-uniformity of detector response. Yet to be understood

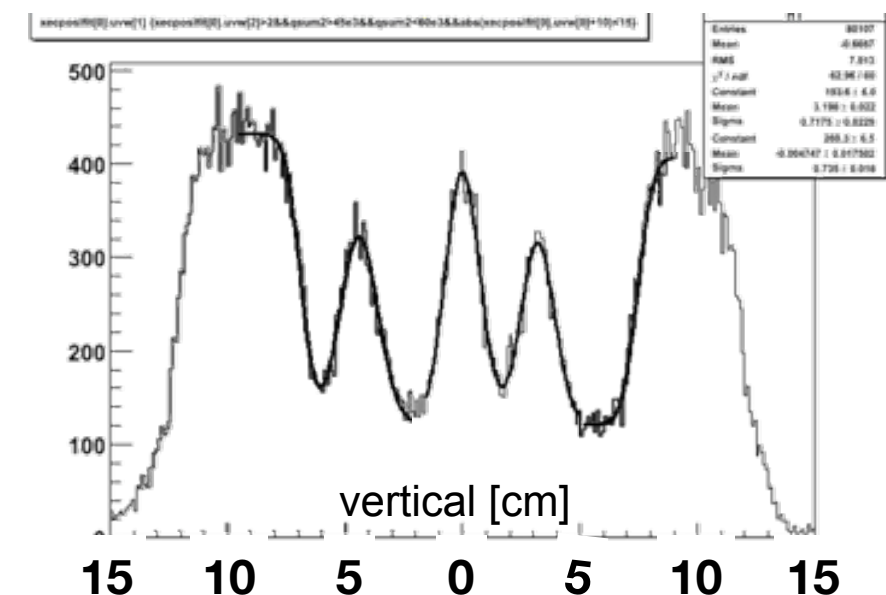
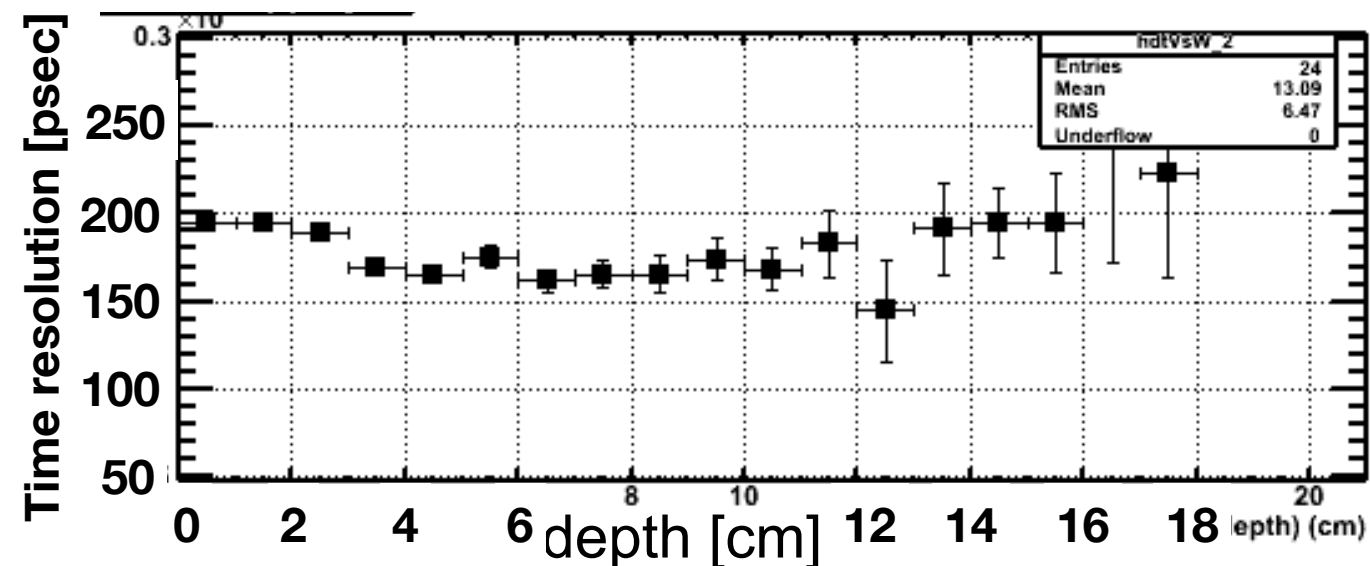


cf.) $\sigma_{\text{upper}} = 2.4\%$ (last year)



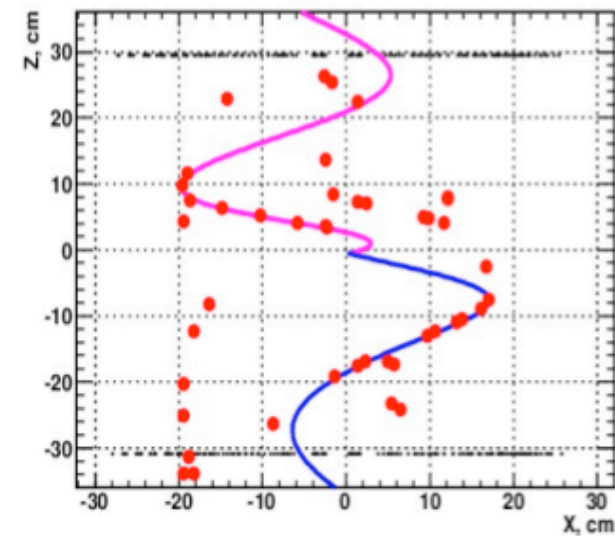
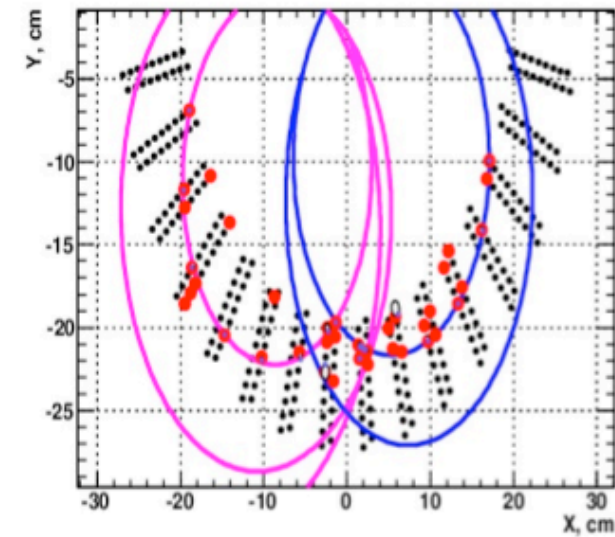
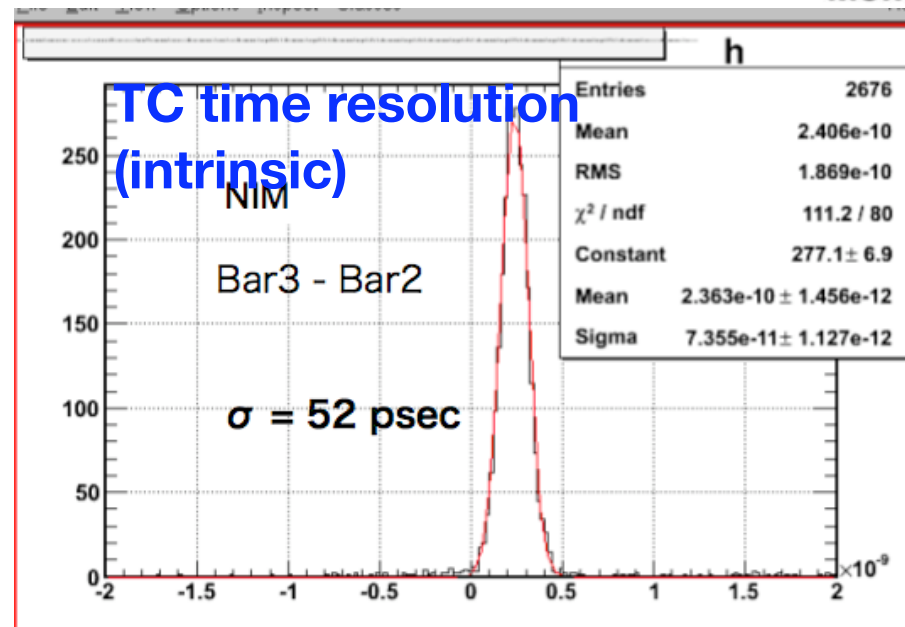
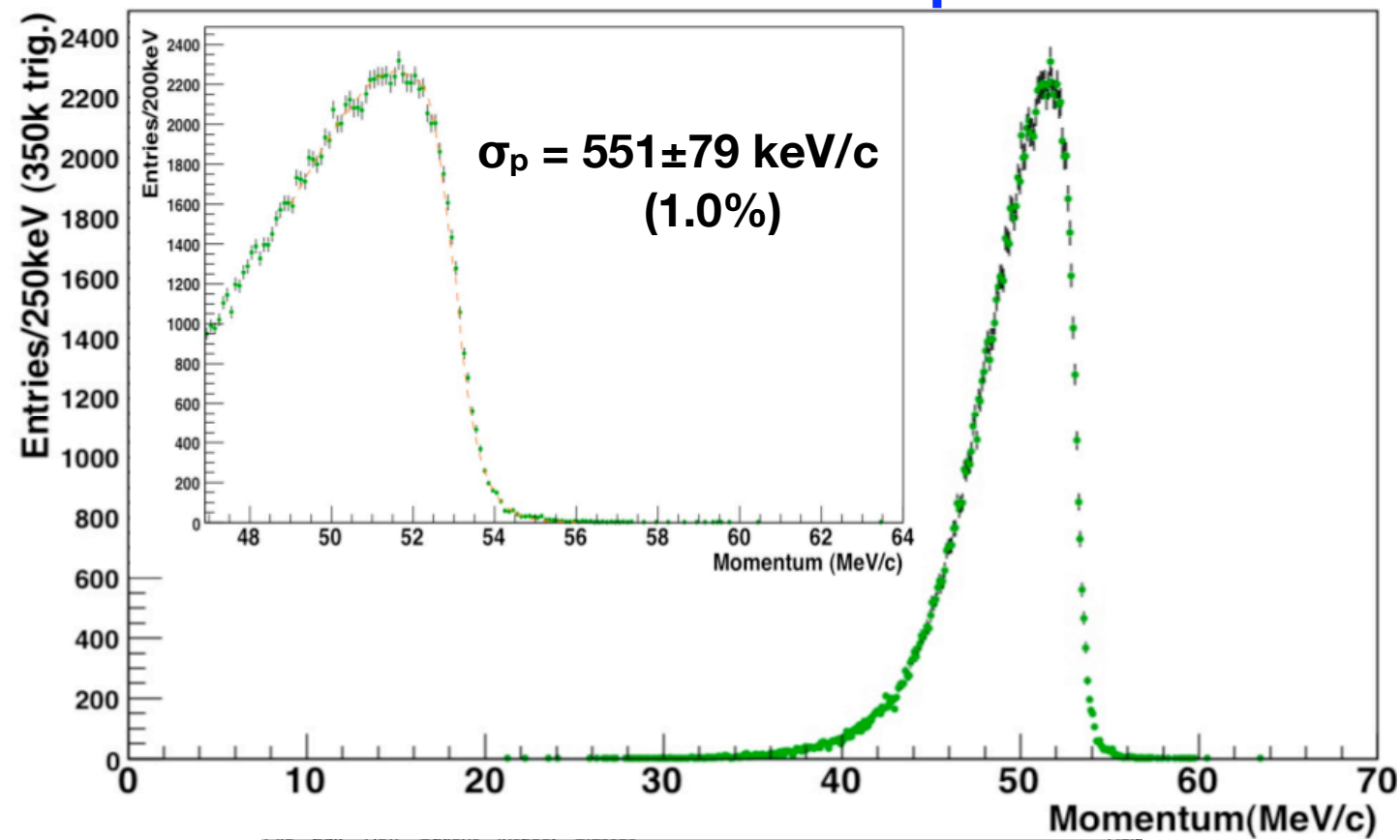
LXe π^0 Calibration: Timing & Position

- Timing resolution for 55MeV- γ
 - Relative time between LXe and timing counter with pre-shower converter
 - LXe timing resolution = 160ps - 70ps(timing counter) - 60ps(target)
= 130ps (σ)
- Position resolution for 55MeV- γ
 - Shadows of lead collimator slits
 - LXe position resolution
 - **0.5cm (σ) @ edge**
 - 0.65cm (σ) @ slit (need further analysis)



Positron Spectrometer

Reconstructed Michel spectrum



- Calibration not yet completed

Detector-Performance Summary

- **Very preliminary**
- Calibration not yet completed for 2008 data. Expected to be improved.

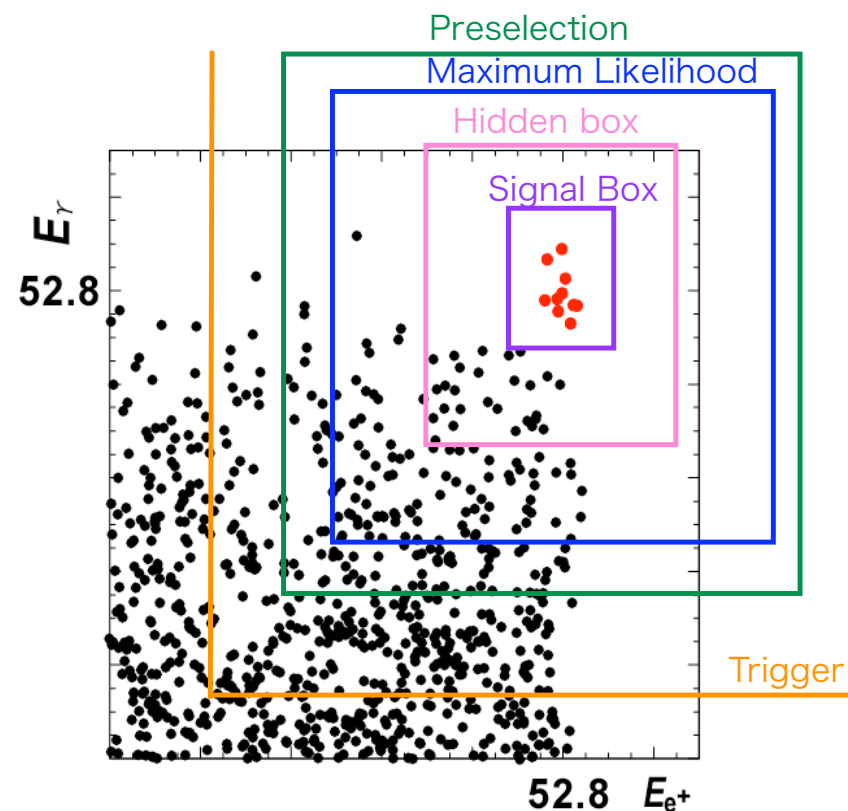
Resolution (FWHM)	2007	2008 preliminary
E_γ [%]	5.6	5.6
E_e [%]	2.2	2.4
$T_{e\gamma}$ [ns]	0.39	0.32
$\theta_{e\gamma}$ [mrad]	28.8	23.3

Preparation for Physics Analysis

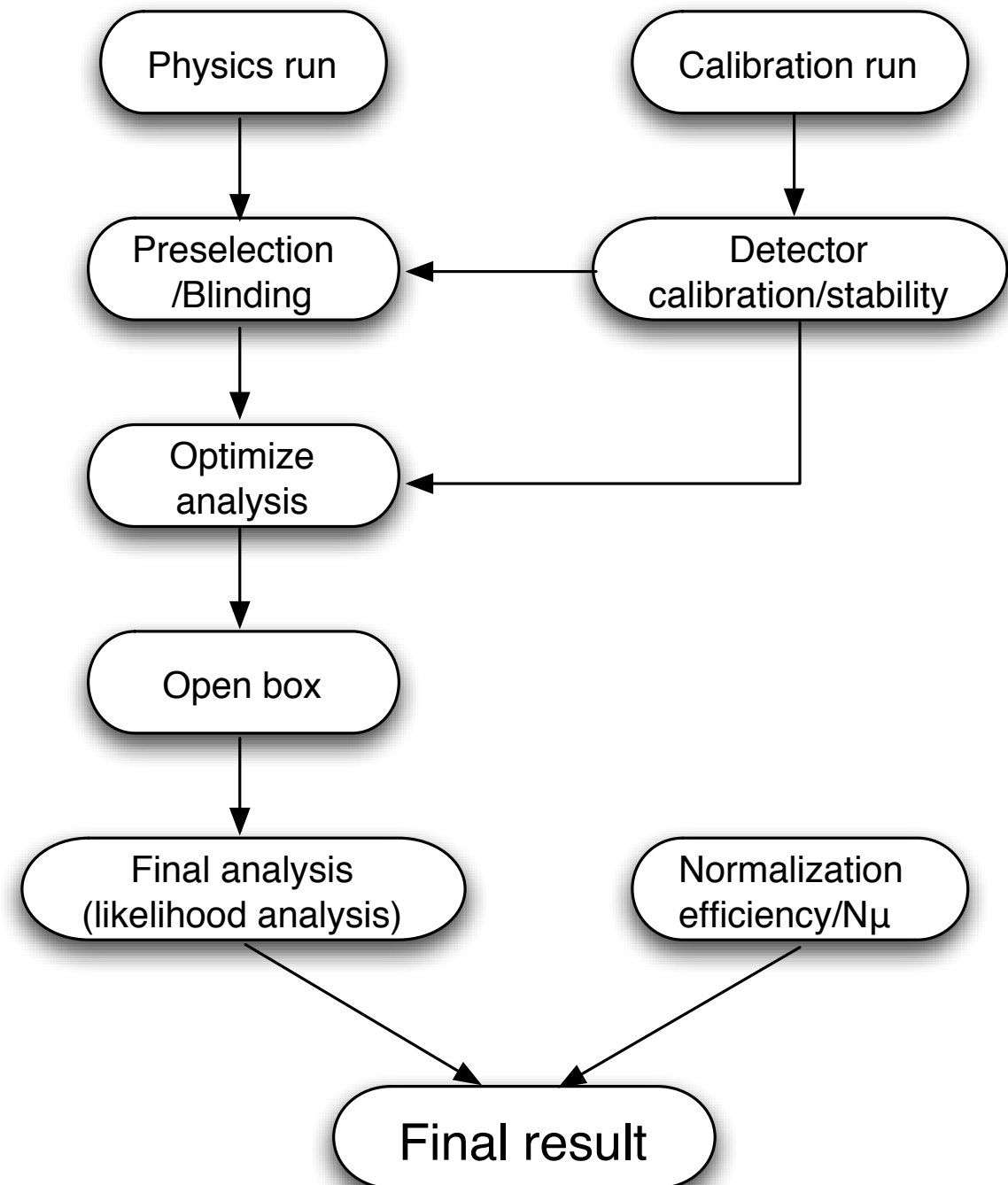
Physics Analysis

- Blind analysis: **Hidden signal box**
- **Maximum likelihood analysis**
- Preselection for data reduction and efficient analysis
- **Framework/tools are ready and being tested.**

Analysis Window Definition with MC data



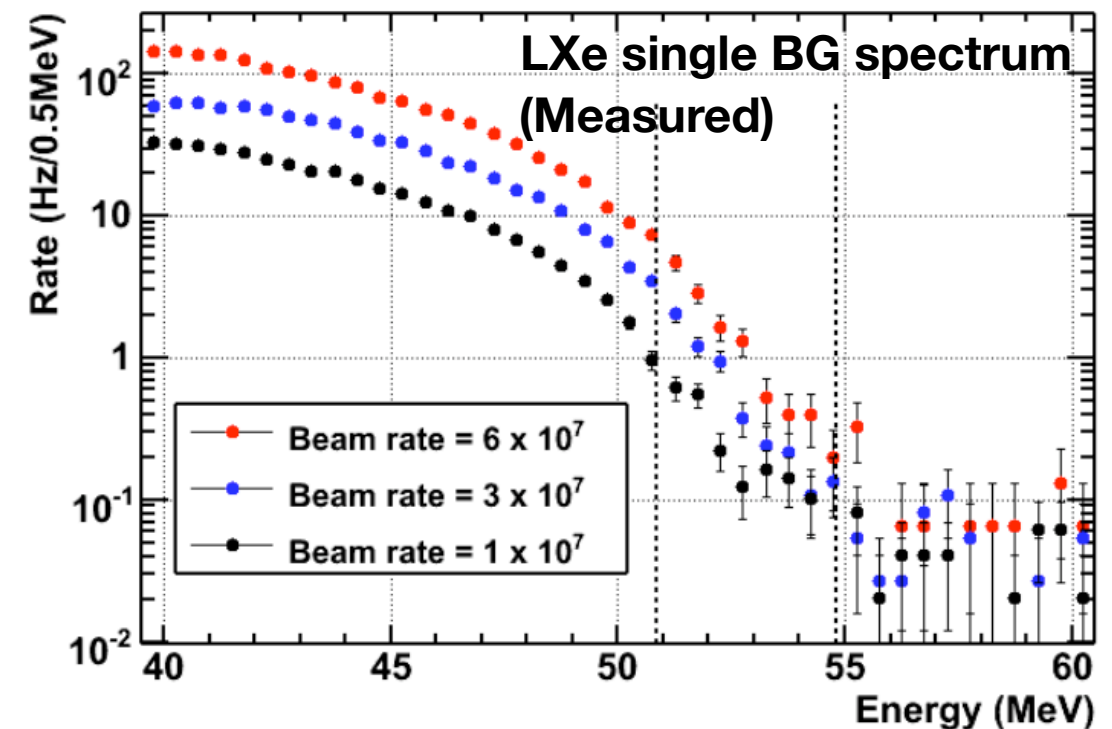
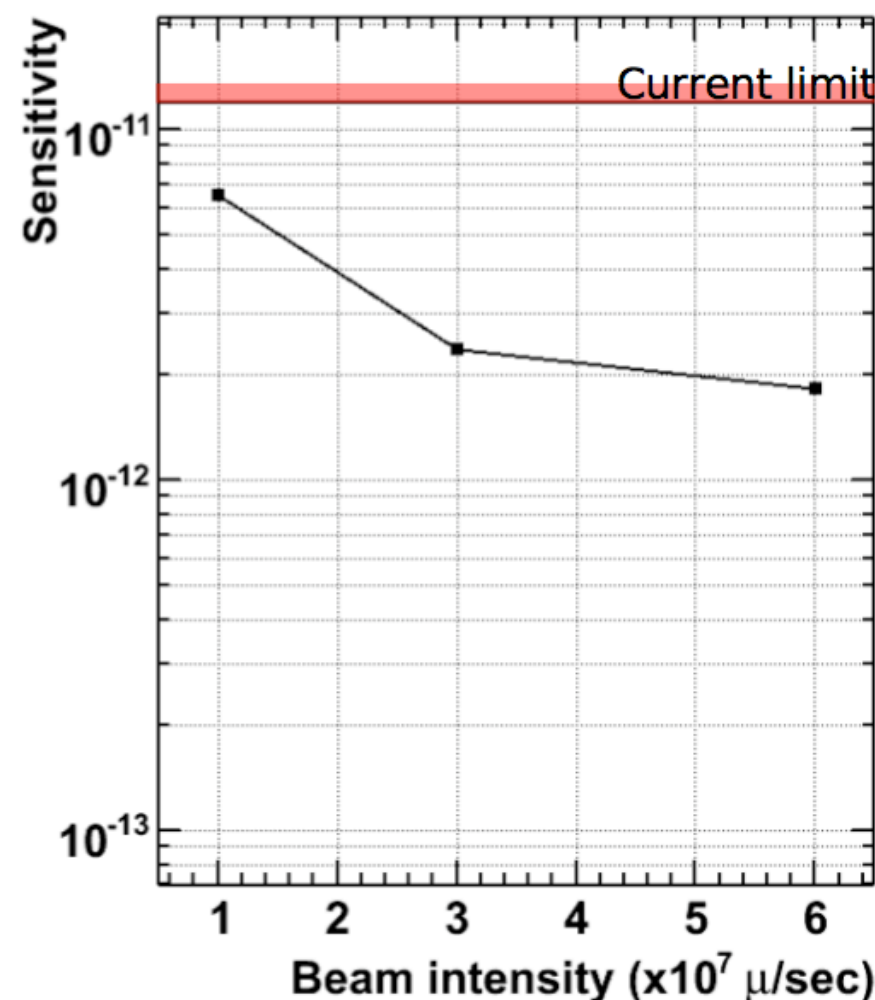
Planned analysis flow



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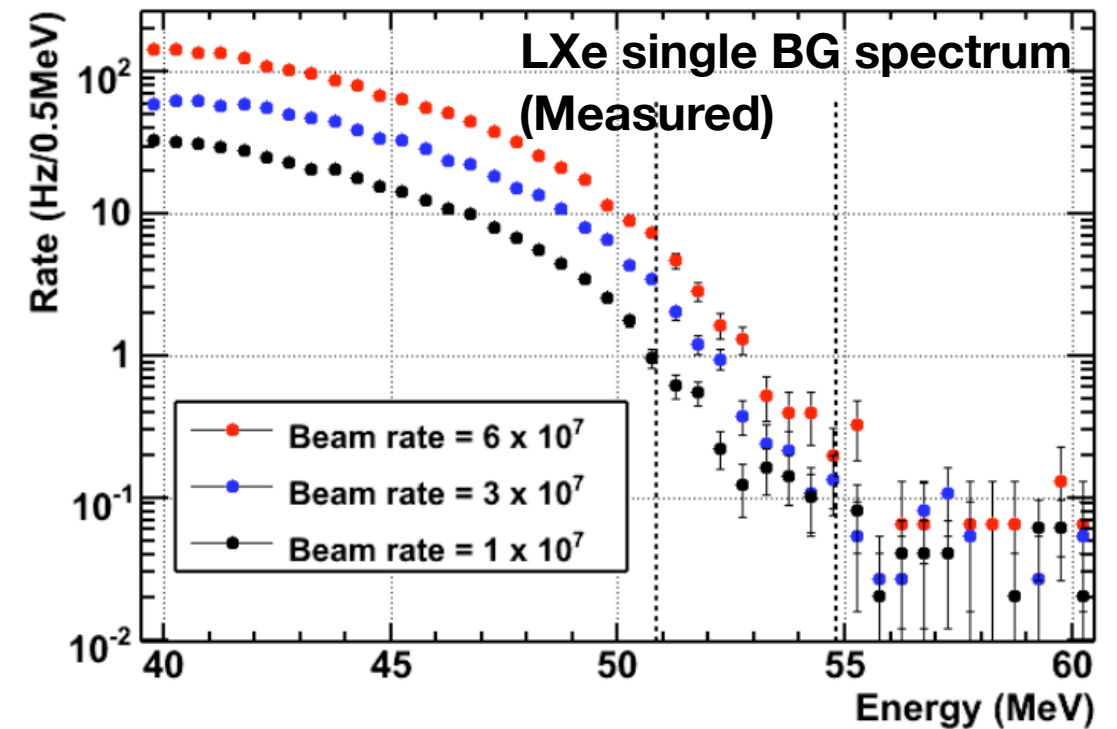
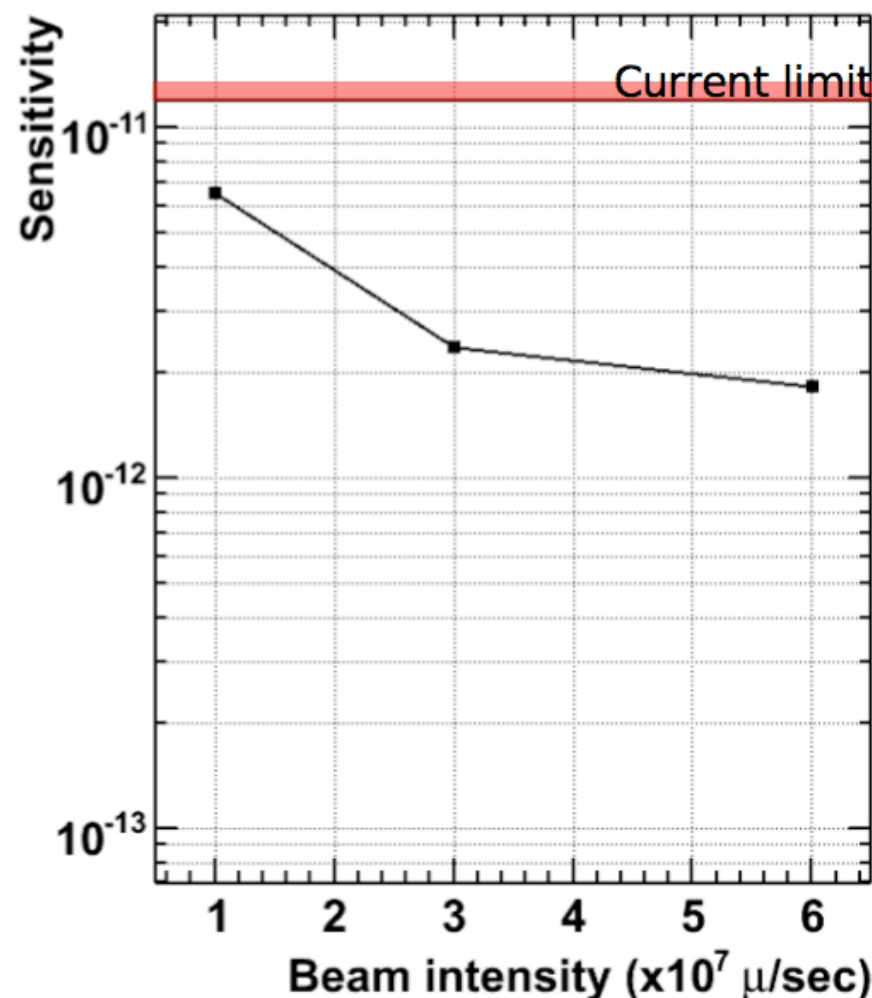


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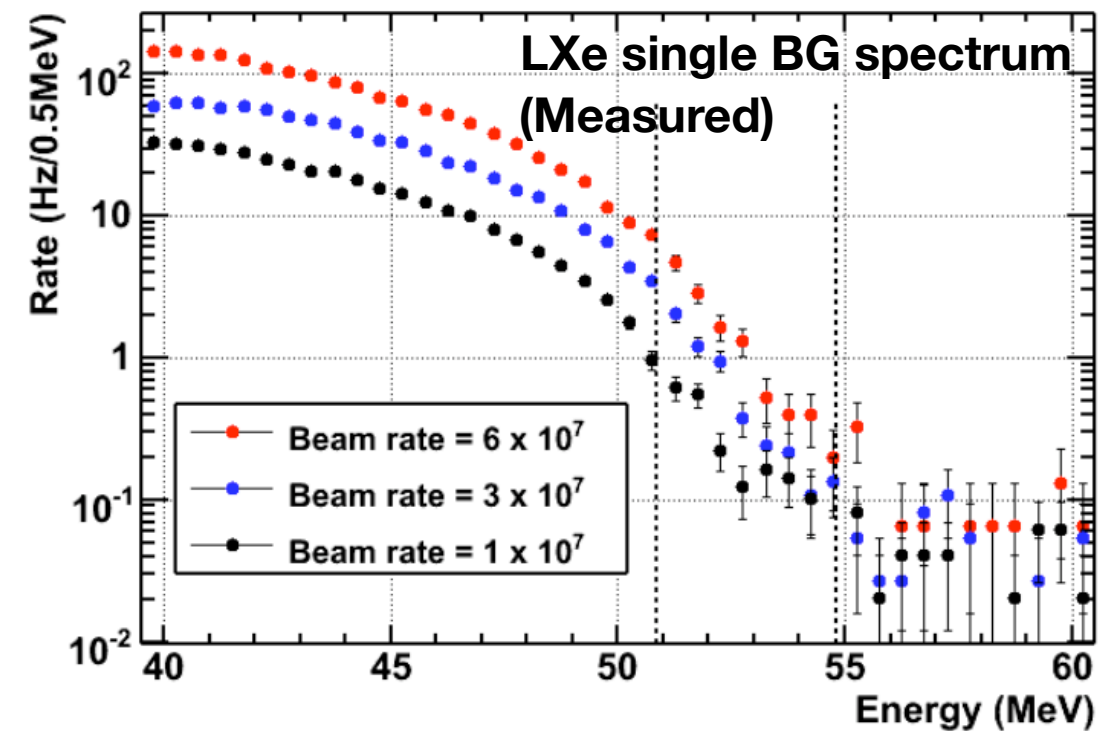
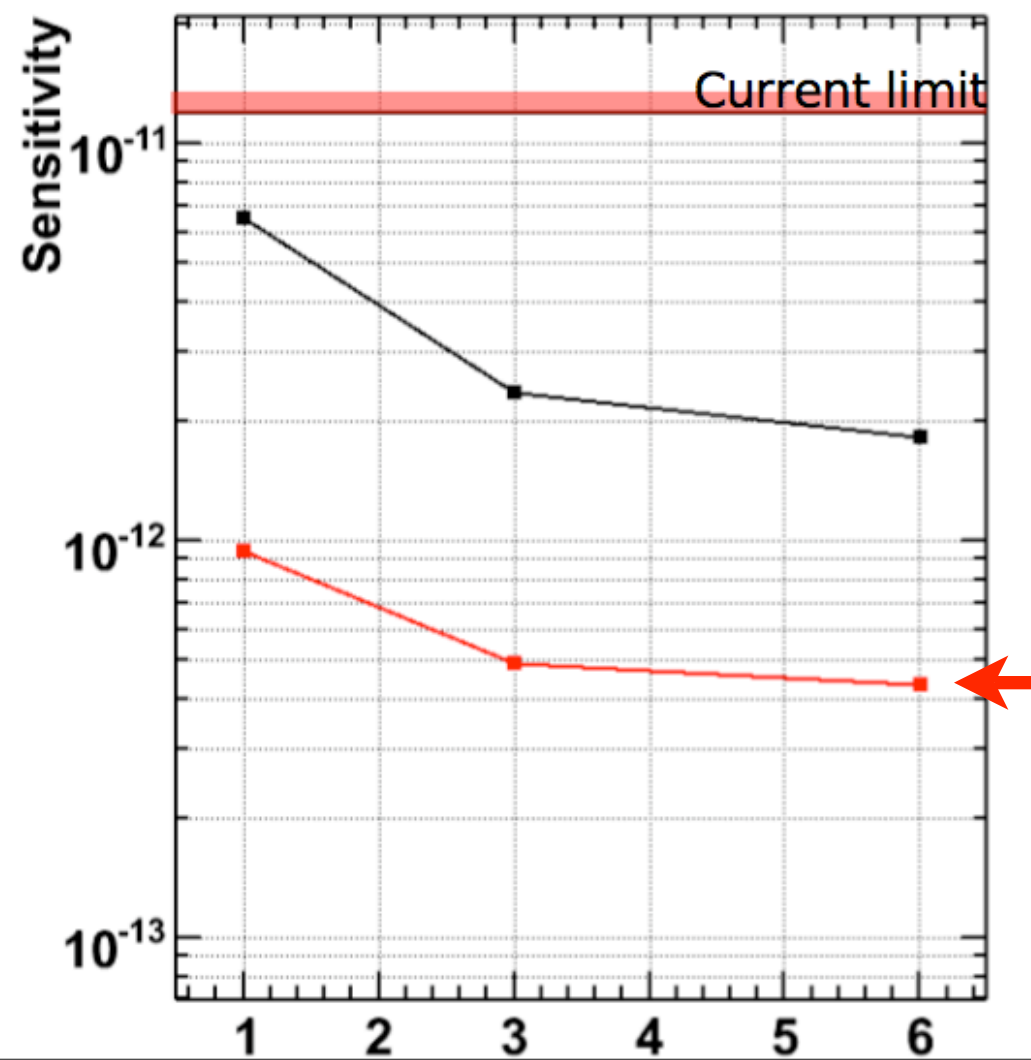


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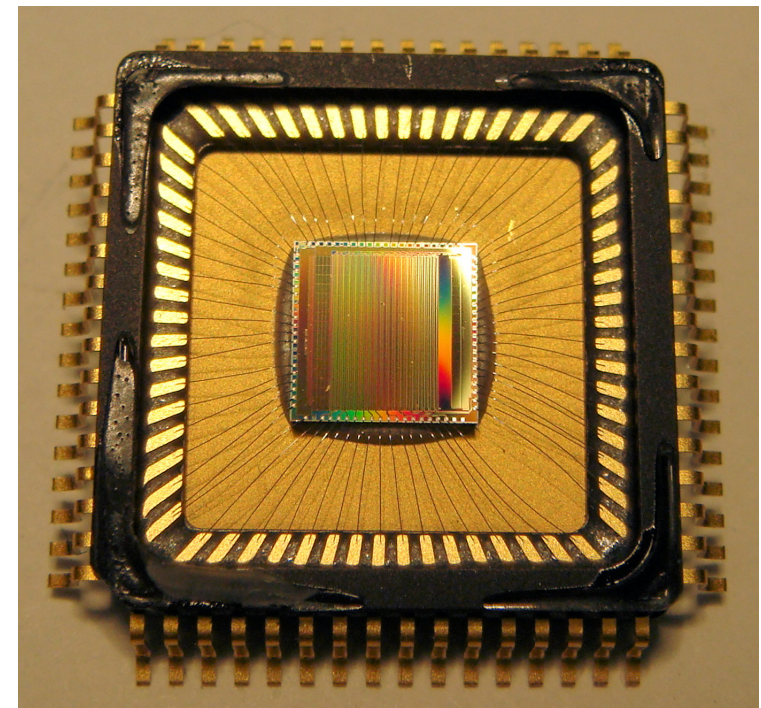


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How about Next Year or Later?

- Some improvements in detector performance should be expected next year
 - Detector calibration not yet completed (even for this year's data)
 - New waveform digitizer (DRS4)
 - Better time synchronization over the chips
 - Better linearity
 - Supposed to arrive at Oct/Nov 2008
 - Further improvement of light yield in LXe?
 - Better reconstruction algorithm
 - Better resolution
 - Higher efficiency
 - Unfolding pileup events

**New digitizer chip (DRS4)
Prototype**



Summary

- All detectors assembled again and calibrated for run 2008.
- **We finally started physics-data production this month!**
- Detector performance is still to be optimized.
- Goal of run 2008
 - **Physics data production for ~12 weeks**
 - **Get the first but “significant” physics result.**

Conclusion

Hopefully first physics result by cherry-blossom season next year
(My personal hope)

