

# MEG II 実験2021年データを用いた $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ 探索結果

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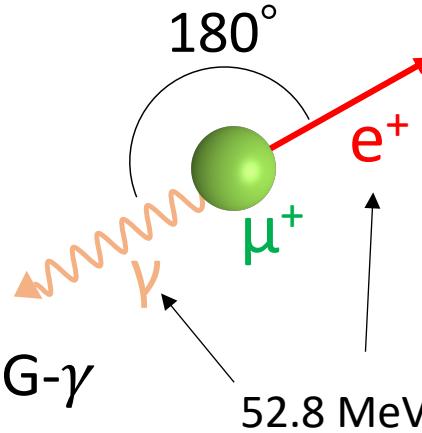
Some important details are omitted from this presentation.  
Also see cited presentations in the past JPS for details.

# Outline

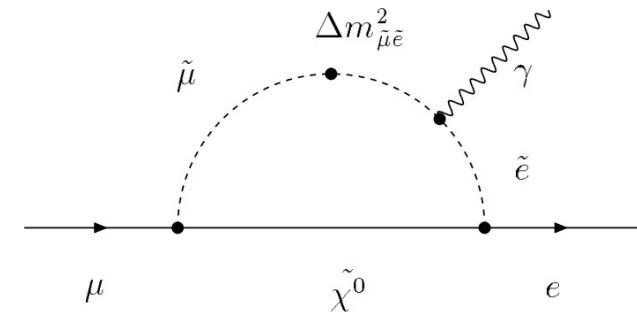
- Introduction
- Updates since last JPS
- Analysis
- Summary and prospect

# Motivation and principle of $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ search

- $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$  search at MEG II
  - CLFV decay, forbidden in SM
  - Target sensitivity:  $\text{Br}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) \sim 6 \times 10^{-14}$   
→ Can probe O(10 TeV) physics
- Search strategy
  - Signal identified by kinematics
    - Statistics:  $N_{sig} \propto R_\mu \cdot T \cdot Br(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) \cdot \epsilon$
  - Main BG: Accidental coincidence of BG- $e$  & BG- $\gamma$ 
    - $N_{BG} \propto R_\mu^2 \cdot T \cdot \delta E_e \cdot \delta E_\gamma^2 \cdot \delta\Theta^2 \cdot \delta T$   
→ Use of DC beam @ PSI  
→ High resolution measurement
  - Second BG: Radiative decay with small energy  $\bar{\nu}\nu$ 
    - $\times 0.1$  compared to the # of accidental



New physics example:  
 $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$  from slepton mixing

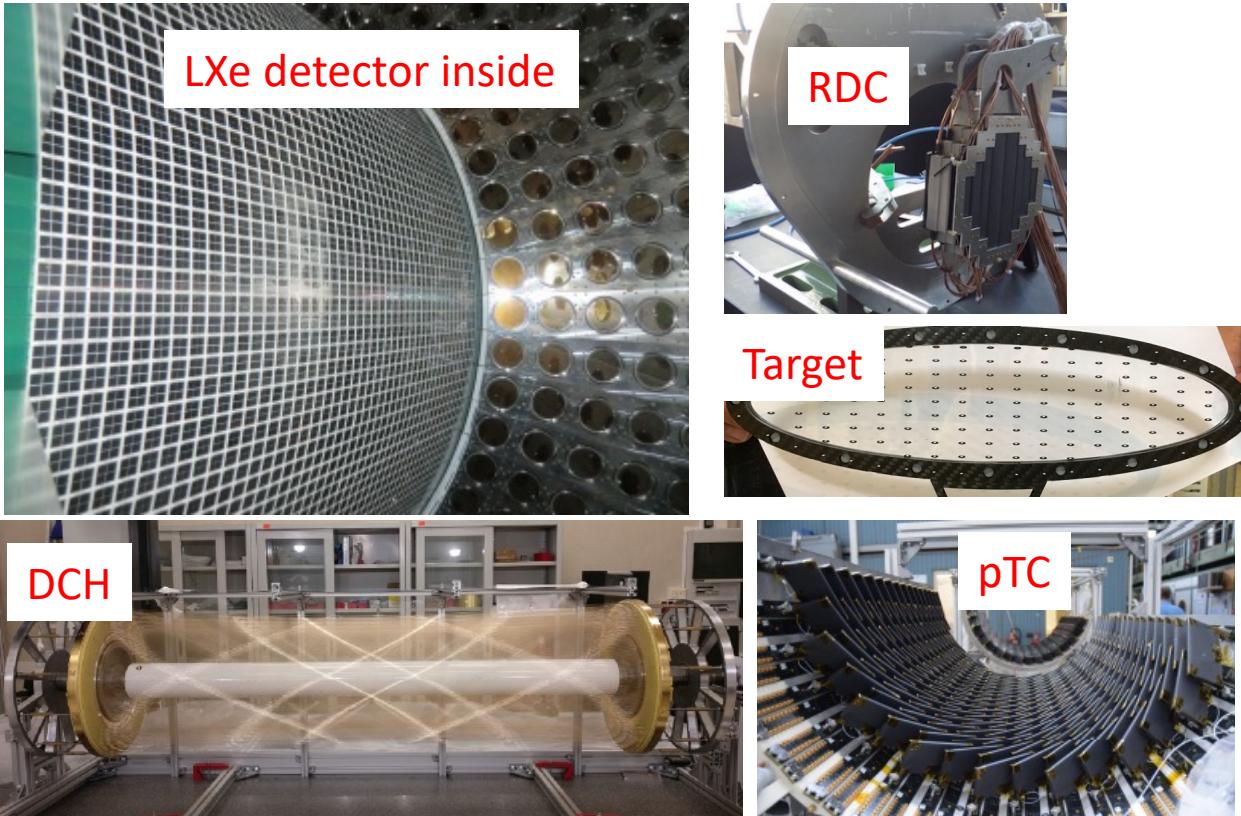


Notation	
$R_\mu$	$\mu$ rate
$T$	Experiment time
$\epsilon$	Efficiency
$\delta E, \delta T, \delta\Theta$	Resolution

Kinematics	Signal	BG
$e\gamma$ time difference	Same time	No correlation
$e\gamma$ direction	Opposite	No correlation
$E_e$	52.8 MeV	< 52.8 MeV
$E_\gamma$	52.8 MeV	< 52.8 MeV

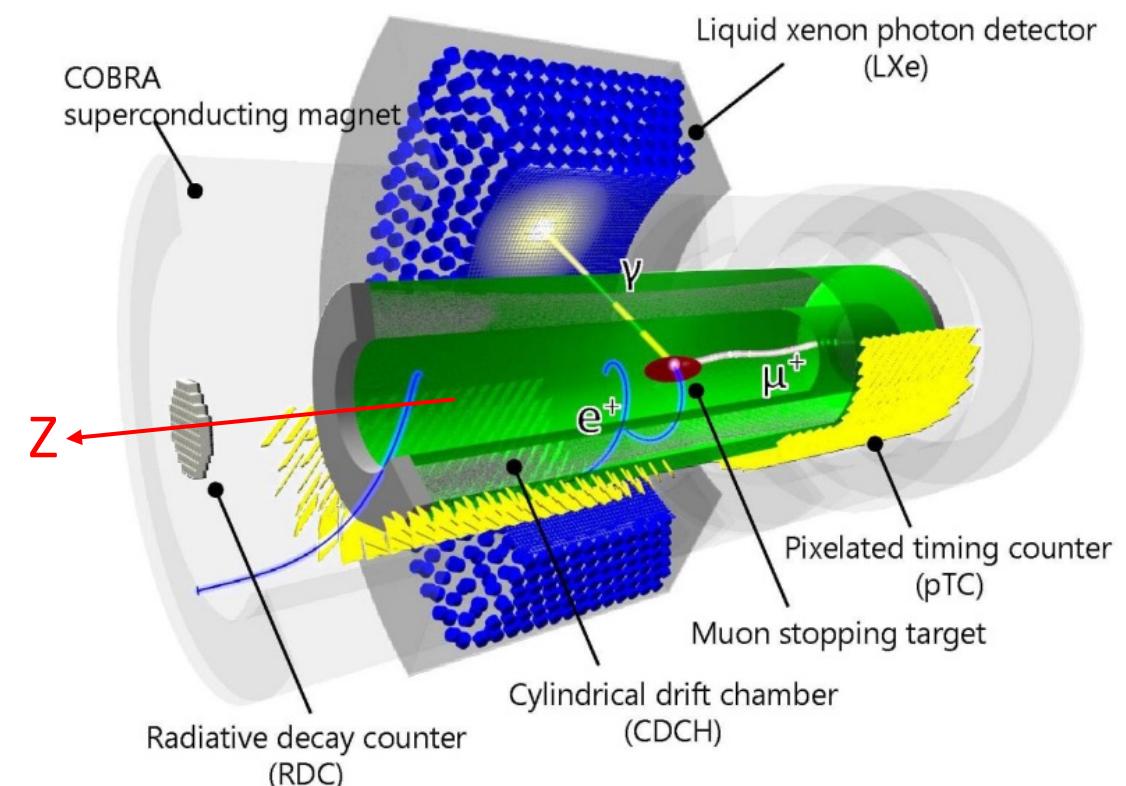
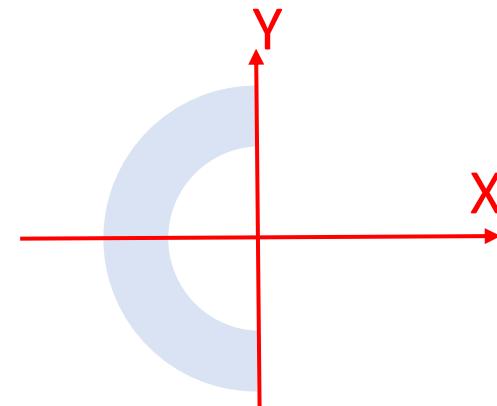
# MEG II apparatus

- Muon stopped on target
- Positron detection with magnet + DCH + pTC
- Gamma detection with LXe detector
  - BG- $\gamma$  tagging with RDC detector



## Coordinate definition

- X-axis in opposite of LXe
- Z-axis in downstream
- $\theta, \phi$ : polar coordinate



# Data samples

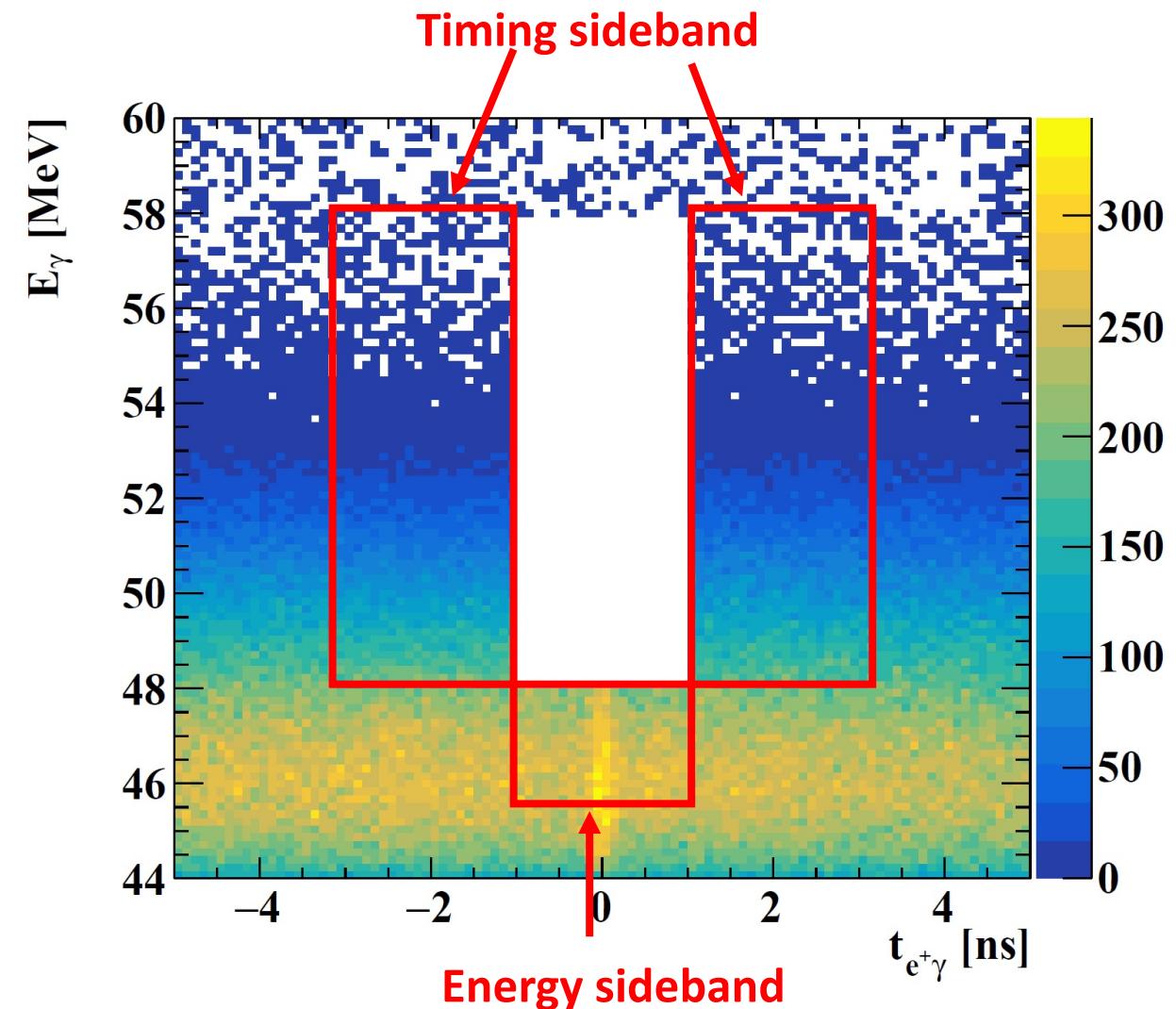
- 7 weeks of DAQ in 2021

- Blinded box

- Time coincidence within 1 ns
- $48 \text{ MeV} < E_\gamma < 58 \text{ MeV}$

- Backgrounds in data

- Accidental coincidence (Major)
  - Study in the timing sideband region
- Radiative decay (Very few events)
  - Study in the energy sideband region  
(Peak in the right plot)



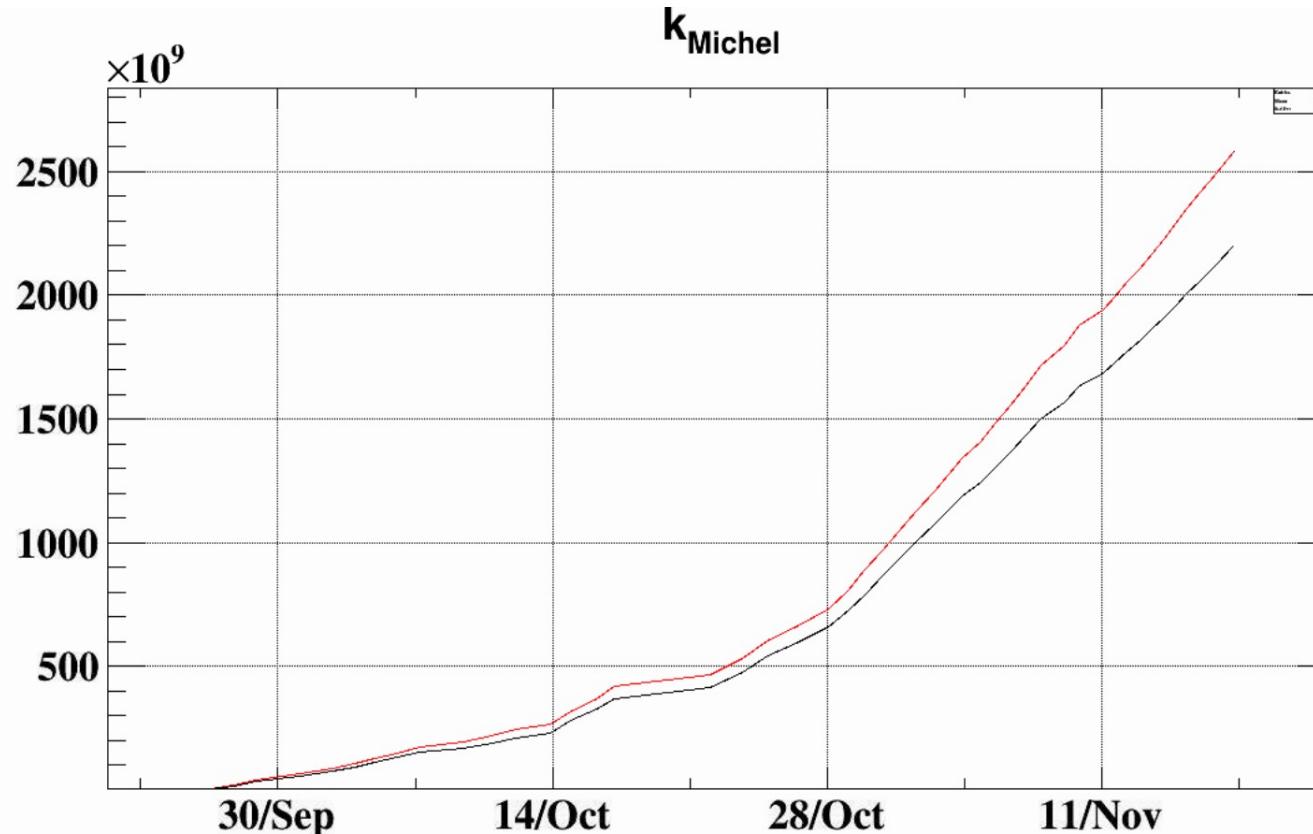
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# Update since last meeting

## 1. Improved efficiency in positron track reconstruction

- Introduced machine learning method in hit reconstruction
  - Details presented in 8aA421-2 (2022 autumn)
  - **Improved tracking efficiency by 15 – 20%**

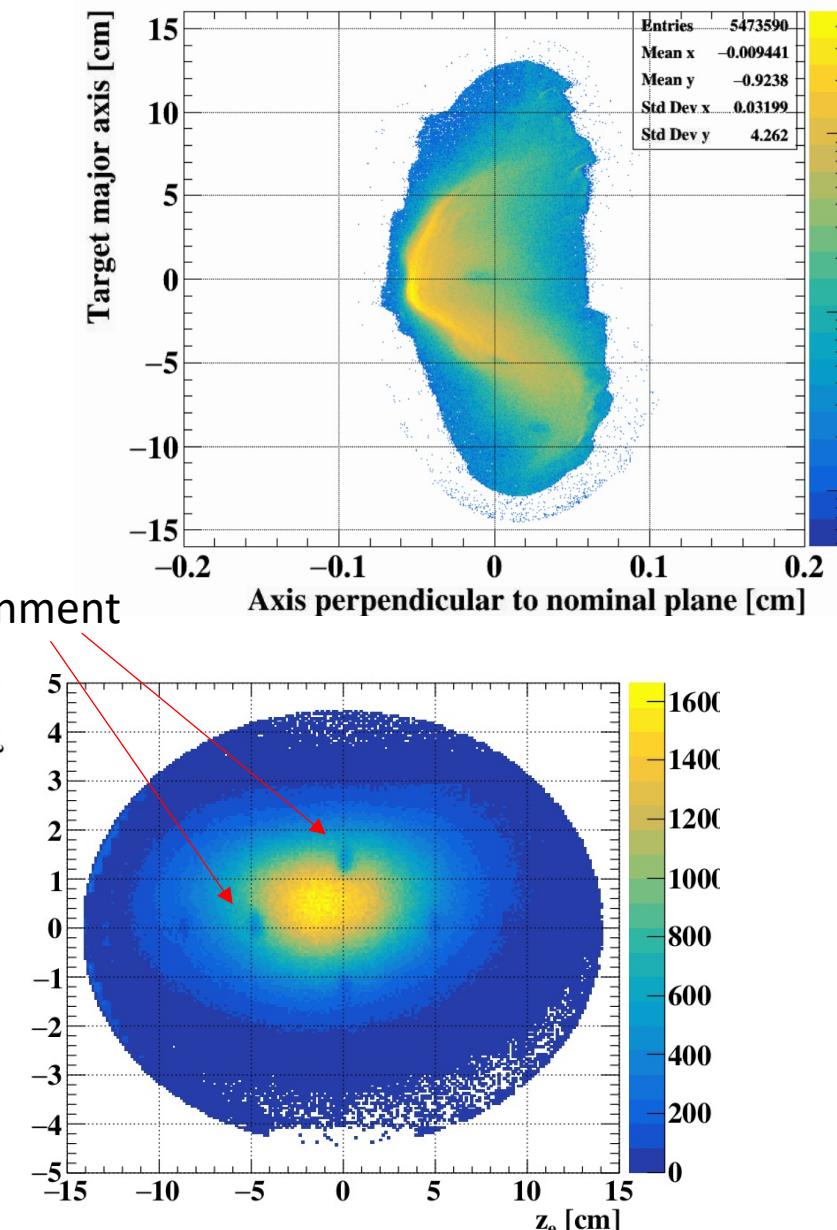


# Update since last meeting

## 2. Finalized alignment

- Target deformation is considered in tracking
  - Bowing of up to 1 mm
- Updated target hole alignment
  - Method discussed in
    - 23pT1-2 (2023 spring)
    - 7aA442-2 (2022 autumn)
- Updated cosmic ray tracking
  - Used to align XEC to CDCH in z direction
- **Concluded alignment uncertainty**
  - **~ 100  $\mu\text{m}$  in target alignment**
  - **~ 1 mm in LXe vs CDCH alignment**

Holes used for alignment



# Update since last meeting

3. Finalized analysis towards unblinding
  - Finalized evaluation of systematic uncertainties
    - Gamma energy scale uncertainty (previous talk)
    - Alignment uncertainty
  - Checked analysis reliability
    - Fitting to sideband (**today's talk**)
    - Fitting to full detector simulation

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# Statistical method of $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ search

- Likelihood analysis to estimate  $N_{sig}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 L(N_{sig}, N_{Acc}, N_{RMD}) = & \exp\left(-\frac{(N_{RMD} - \mu_{RMD})^2}{2\sigma_{RMD}^2}\right) \times \exp\left(-\frac{(N_{Acc} - \mu_{Acc})^2}{2\sigma_{Acc}^2}\right) \\
 & \times \frac{e^{-(N_{sig} + N_{Acc} + N_{RMD})}}{N_{obs}!} \times \prod_{dataset} \left( N_{sig} \cdot S(x) + N_{acc} \cdot A(x) + N_{RMD} \cdot R(x) \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Extend likelihood      
 PDFs of  $E_e, E_\gamma, t_{e\gamma}$  etc.

Additional external constraints

- Confidence interval

- Feldman-Cousins method, profile likelihood ratio used for ordering:  
<https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevD.57.3873>

$$\lambda(N_{sig}) = \frac{L(\text{best fit with fixed } N_{sig})}{L(\text{full best fit})}$$

- Observables in fitting

- $\phi_{e\gamma} := \pi + \phi_e - \phi_\gamma$ ,  $\theta_{e\gamma} := \pi - \theta_e - \theta_\gamma$ ,  $E_\gamma, E_e, t_{e\gamma} := t_\gamma - t_e$ , RDC hit

- PDF details

- 7aA442-2 (2022 autumn), 23pT1-2 (2023 spring), 18pRA34-7

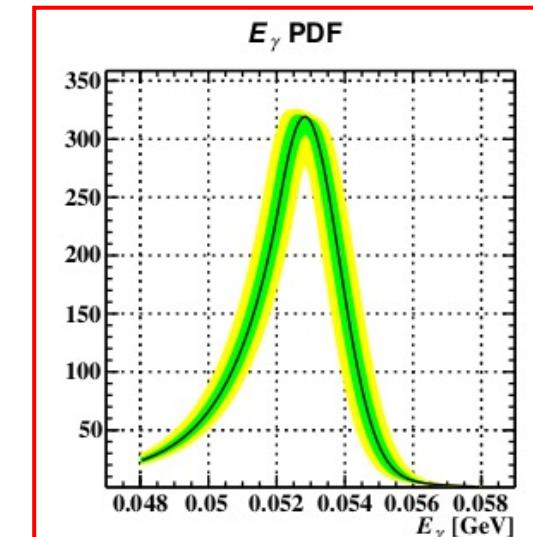
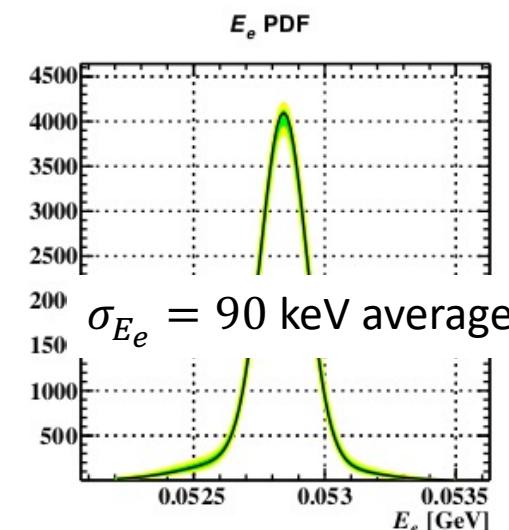
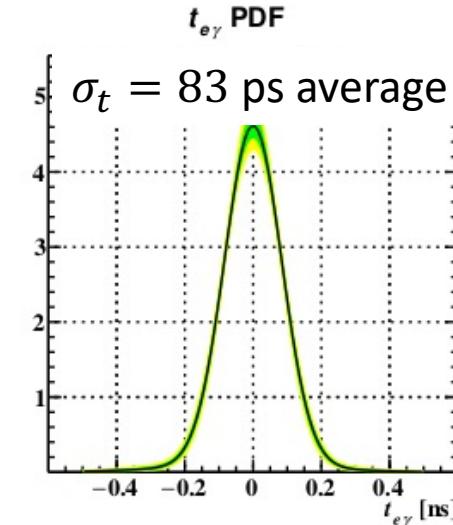
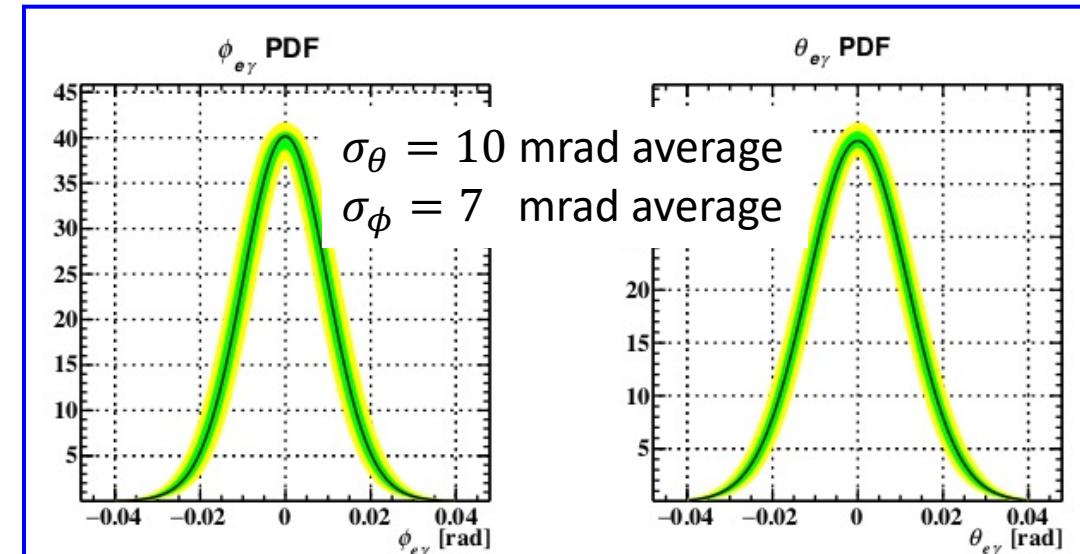
# Normalization

- Normalization: To convert  $N_{sig}$  estimation of likelihood into branching ratio
  - $Br = N_{sig}/N_\mu$ 
    - $N_\mu$ : The number of effectively measured muon decays
  - Two independent approaches discussed in 7aA442-2 (2022 autumn)
- Updated value including positron reconstruction improvement
  - Positron counting method
    - $(2.55 \pm 0.13) \times 10^{12}$
  - RMD event counting in energy sideband
    - $(3.1 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{12}$
  - **Combined result:  $(2.64 \pm 0.12) \times 10^{12}$**

# Systematic uncertainties

- Signal PDF uncertainty
  - Shown in the right
  - Large contribution from
    - Alignment (angle PDF)
    - $E_\gamma$  calibration
- Normalization
  - 5% uncertainty

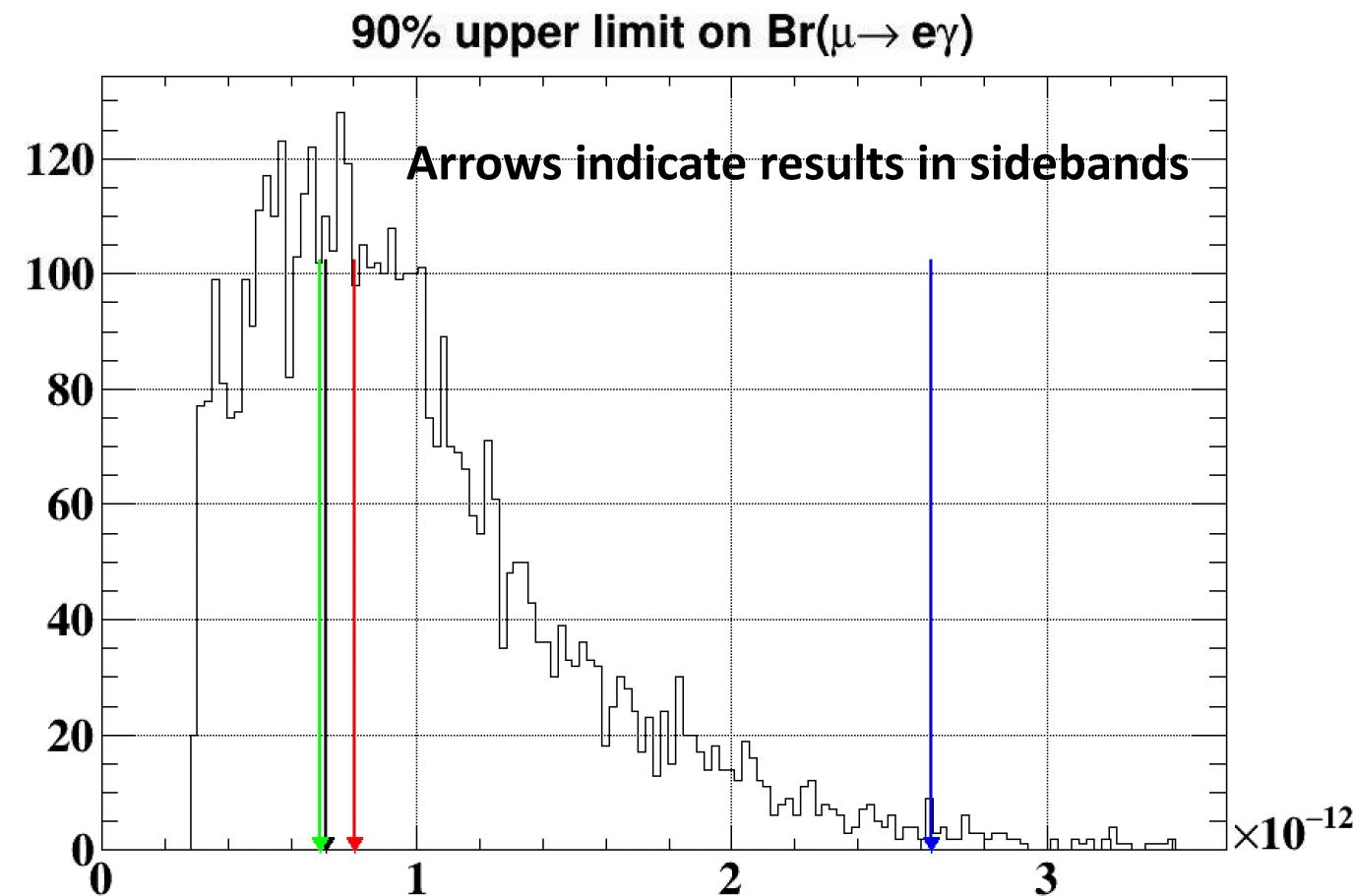
Uncertainty dominated by detector alignment



Uncertainty dominated by energy scale calibration

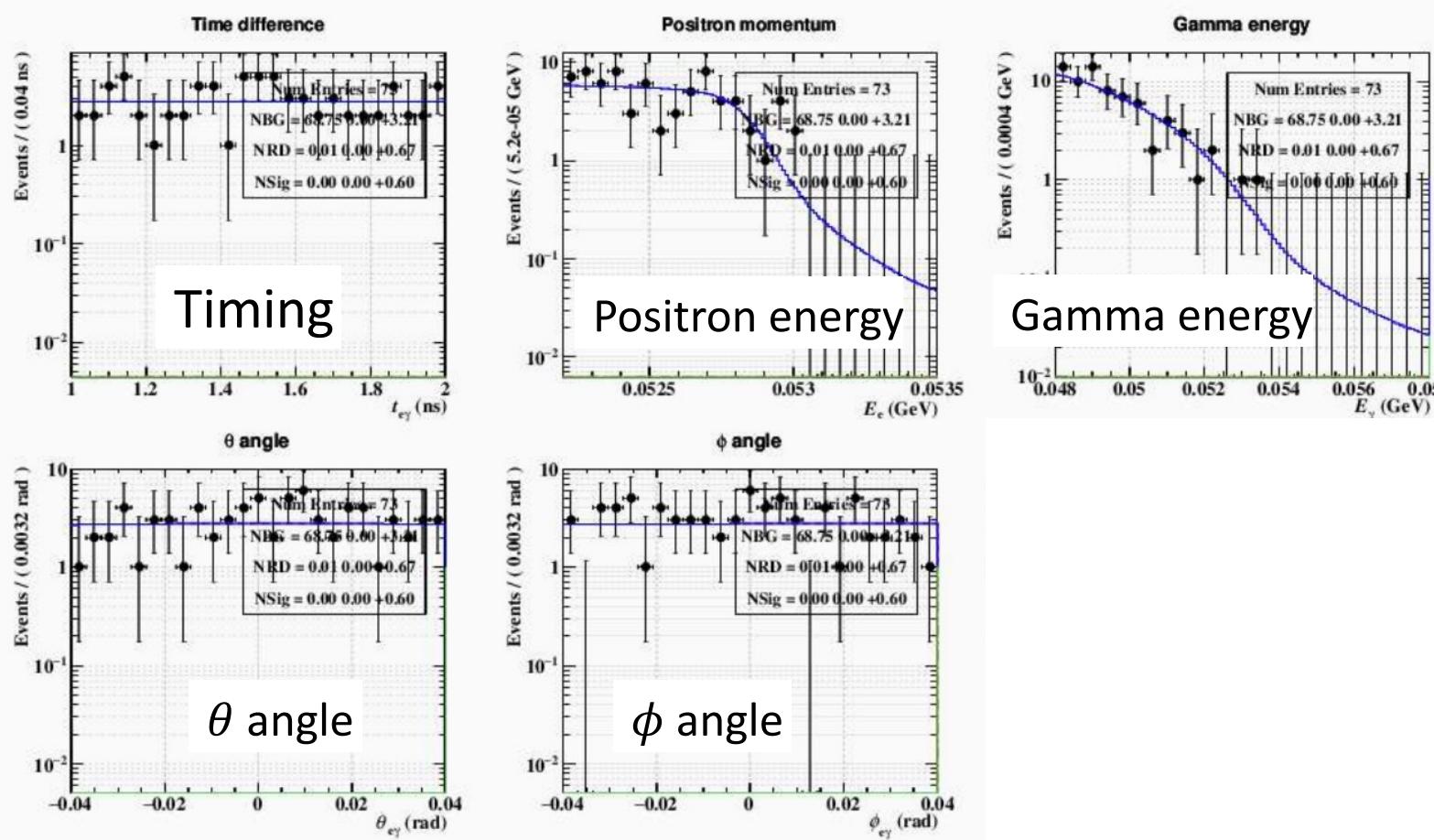
# Sensitivity & fitting to BG-only data

- Sensitivity
  - Definition: Median of upper limit in zero signal toy experiments
  - $Br(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) < 8.4 \times 10^{-13}$  w/o systematics
  - $Br(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) < 8.8 \times 10^{-13}$  w/ systematics
- Result will be reported soon
  - “PSI special seminar” in Oct/20
- Today’s talk: Sideband analysis
  - Analysis for timing sideband data
  - Four sidebands are analyzed
    - $-3 < t_{e\gamma} < -2$  ns
    - $-2 < t_{e\gamma} < -1$  ns
    - $1 < t_{e\gamma} < 2$  ns
    - $2 < t_{e\gamma} < 3$  ns



# Fitting to sideband: Example1

- Fit to sideband as a cross-check before unblinding
  - Only accidental events identical to those in blinded region → Checks about BG PDF
  - Below: sideband 1 ns – 2 ns



## Fitting in another sideband

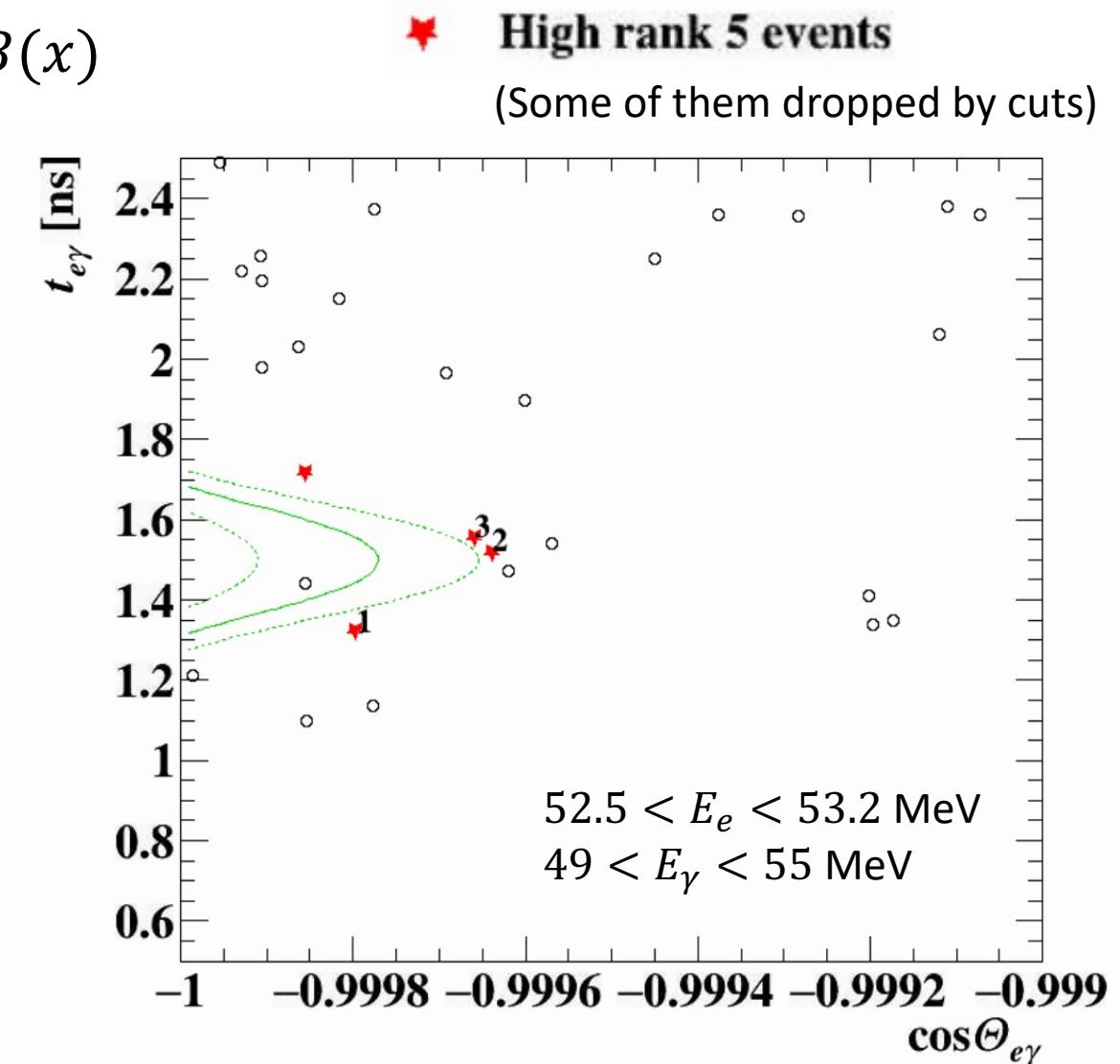
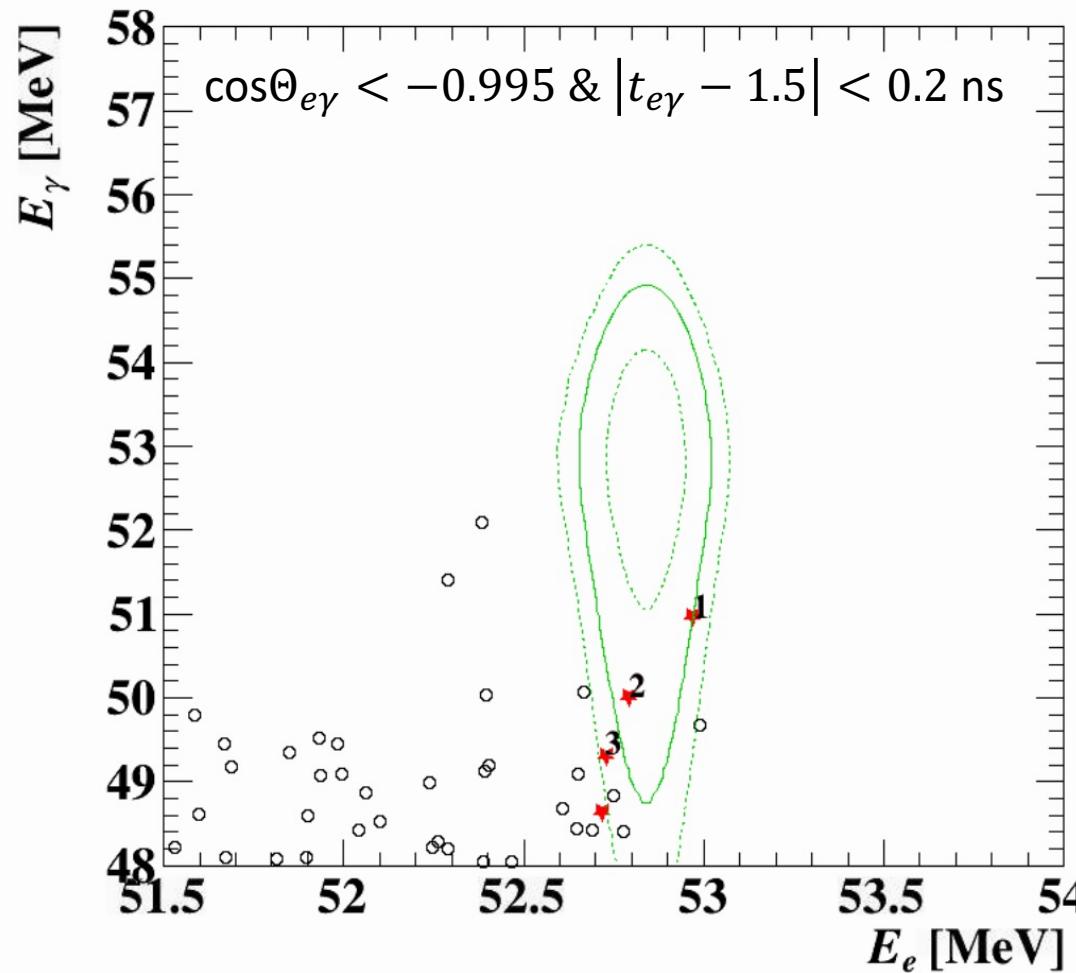
- Consistent with  $\text{Br} = 0$
- Confidence interval
  - $\text{Br} < 6.9 \times 10^{-13}$

# Event distribution in sideband: Example1

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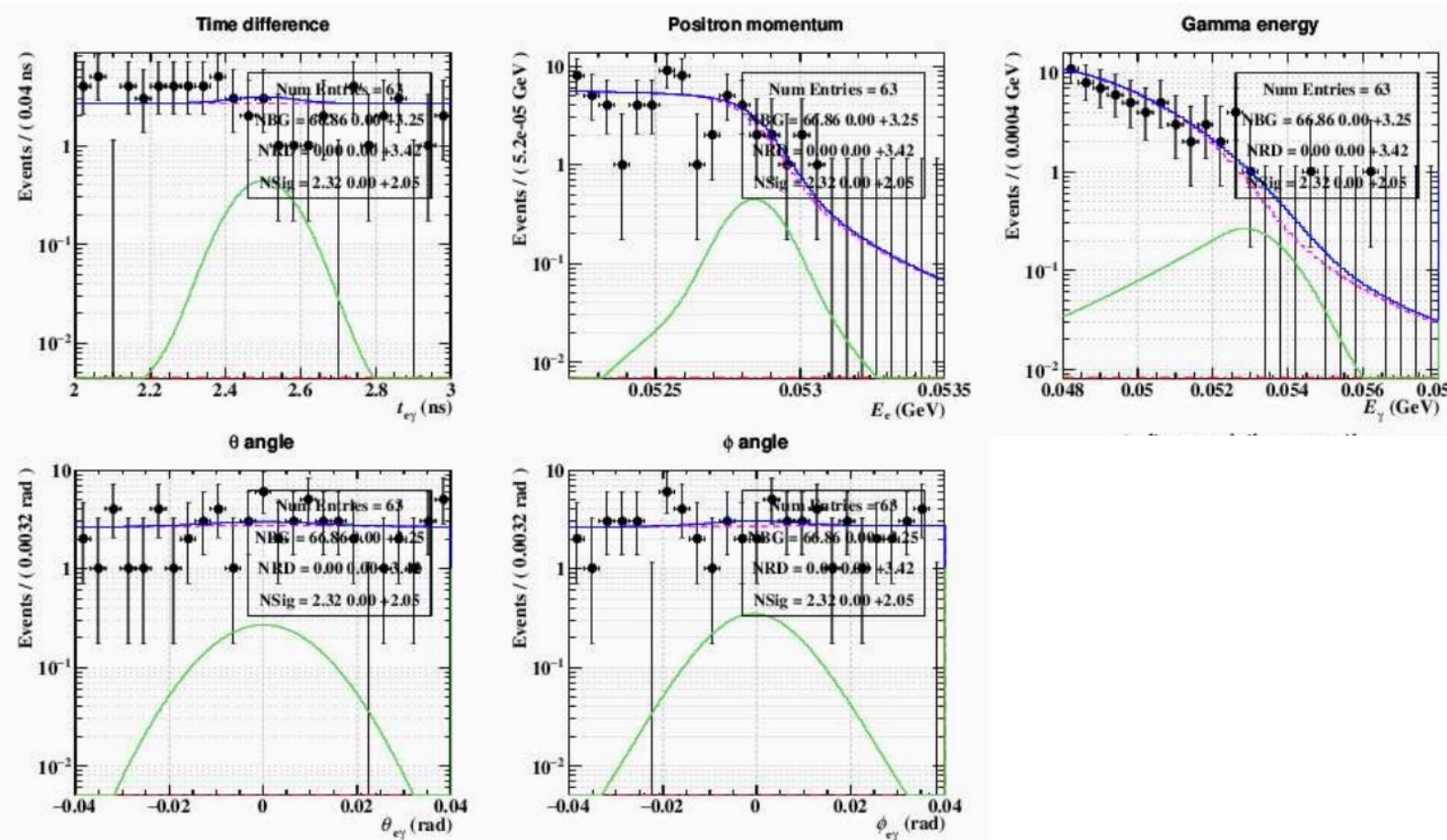
- Event distribution

- Signal likelihood ranked by PDF ratio:  $S(x)/B(x)$



# Fitting to sideband: Example2

- Fit to sideband as a cross-check before unblinding
  - Only accidental events identical to those in blinded region → Checks about BG PDF
  - Below: sideband 2 ns – 3 ns



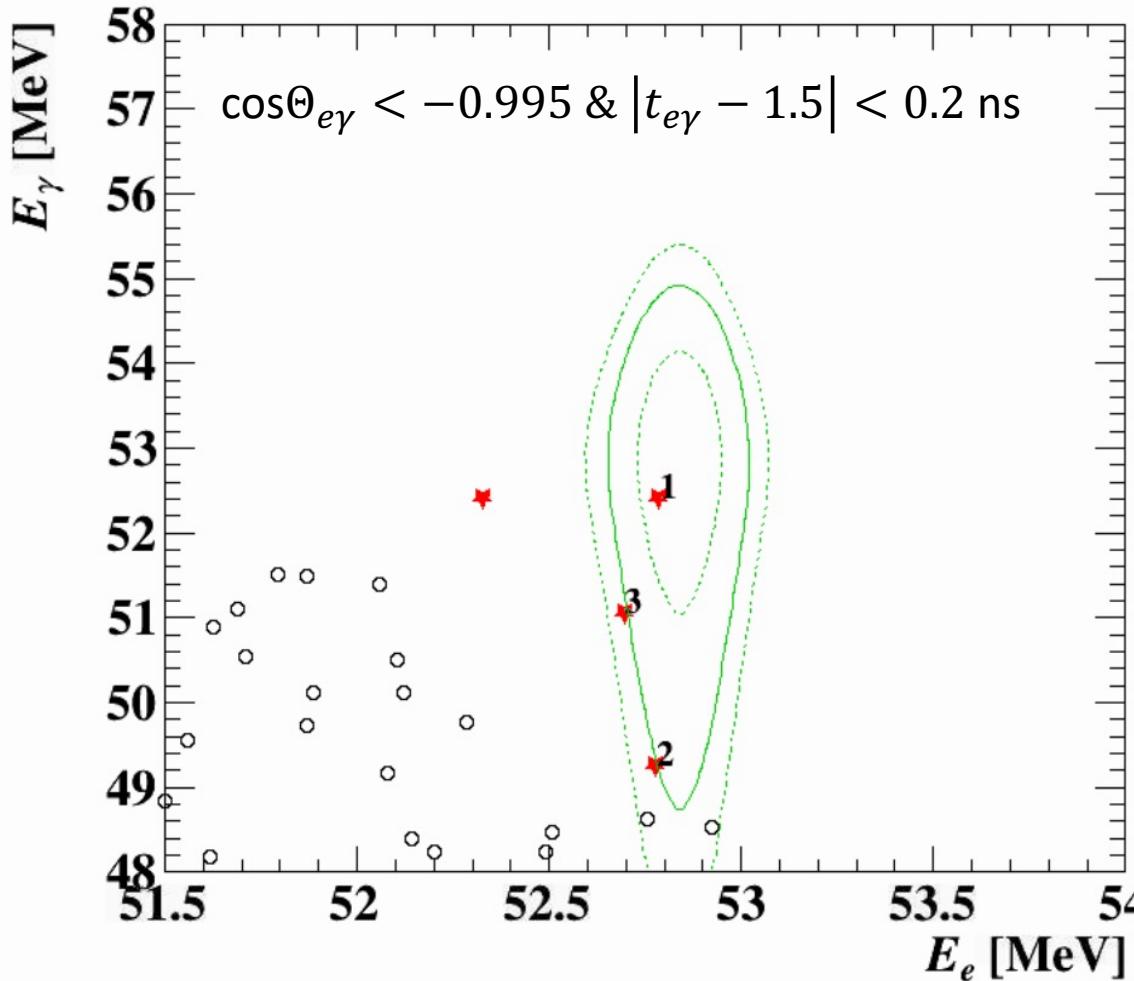
## Fitting in another sideband

- Observed 3 signal-like events
- But within statistical fluctuation
  - 5% probability expected
- Confidence interval (90% C.L.)
  - $1.6 \times 10^{-13} < \text{Br} < 2.6 \times 10^{-12}$

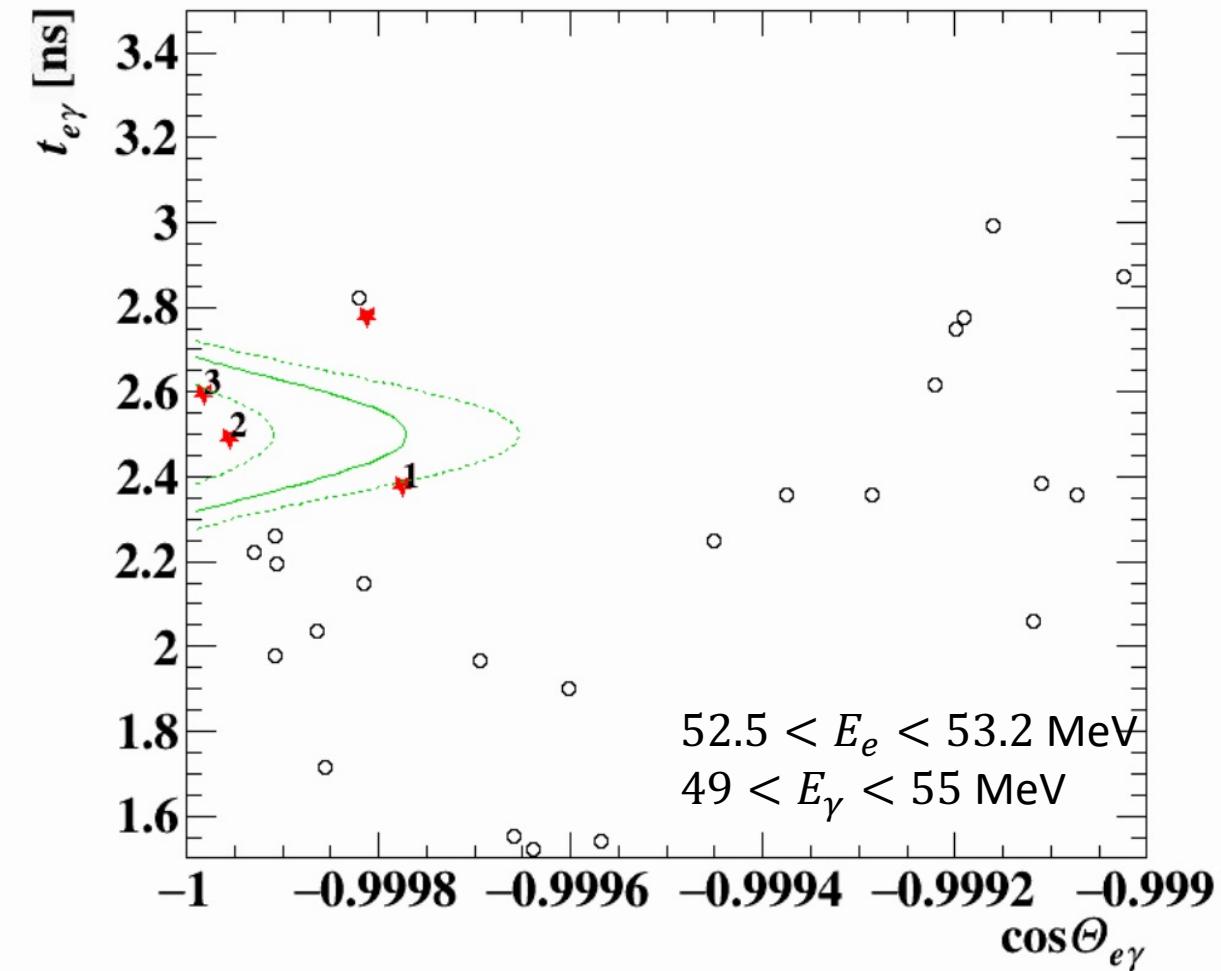
# Event distribution in sideband: Example2

- Event distribution

- Signal likelihood ranked by PDF ratio:  $S(x)/B(x)$

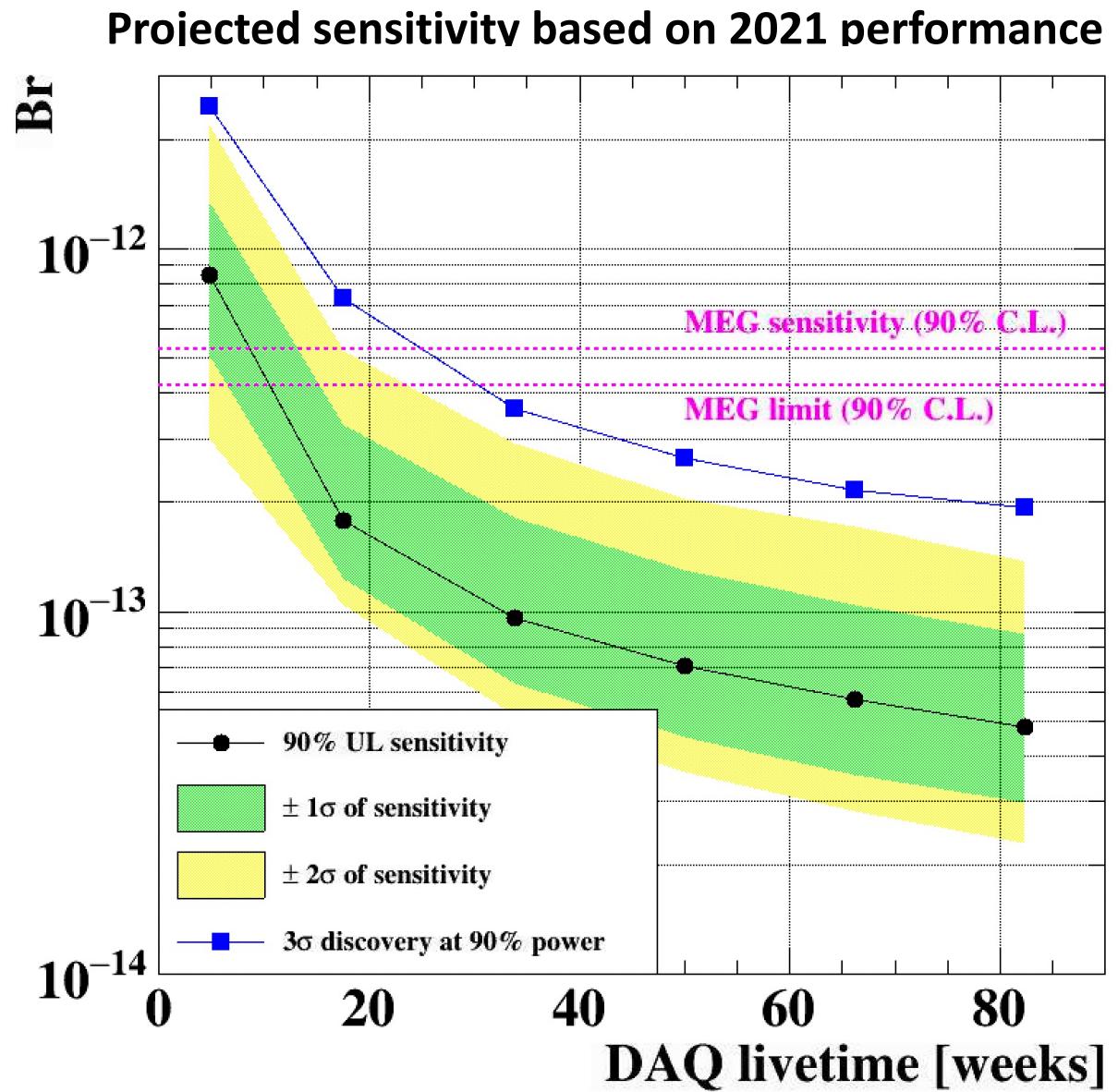


★ **High rank 5 events**  
(Some of them dropped by cuts)



# Summary and prospect

- 2021 analysis
  - Sensitivity to  $\text{Br}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma)$ :  $8.8 \times 10^{-13}$
  - Will be published soon
  - “PSI special seminar” in Oct/20
- 2022 analysis
  - Calibration works in progress
- 2023 DAQ and onwards
  - 2023 data taking with good condition so far



# Backup

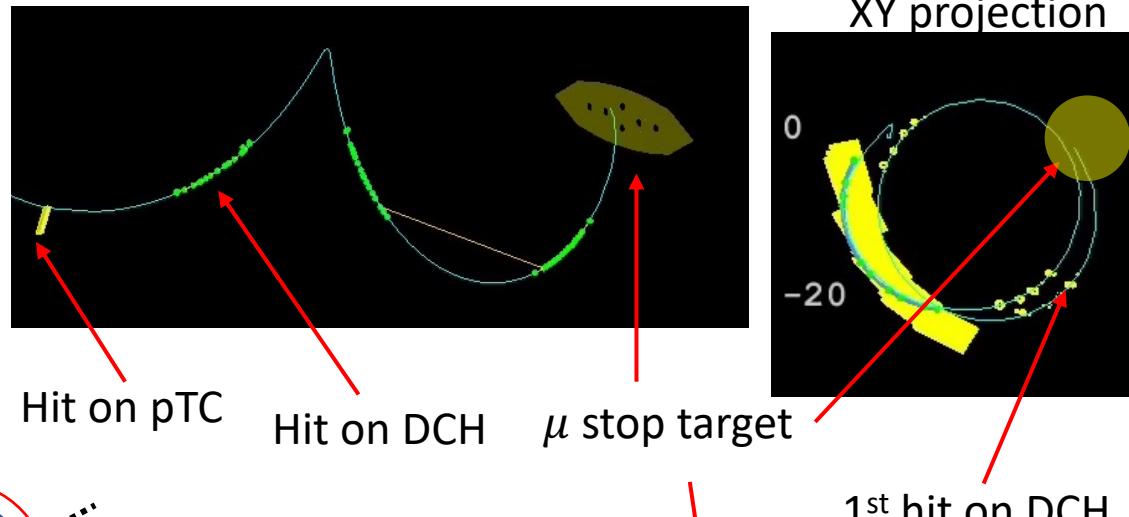
# Performance comparison

	Currently achieved performance in MEG II	Performance in MEG
$\theta_e, \phi_e$	7.7/5.6 mrad (Double turn analysis)	9.4/8.7 mrad
$y_e, z_e$	0.8/2 mm (Double turn analysis)	1.2/2.4 mm
$E_e$	90 keV for core (Michel fit)	306 keV
$E_\gamma$	2% (CEX resolution analysis)	2.4% ( $w < 2$ cm), 1.7% ( $w > 2$ cm)
$u, v, w_\gamma$	2.5 mm for $w < 2$ cm (Collimated gamma ray data)	5 mm
$t_{e\gamma}$	$\frac{112}{\sqrt{n_{TC}}} \oplus 72$ ps (RMD samples)	122 ps
RDC	Installed since middle of 2021 run	Not installed

# MEG II apparatus for vertex & track

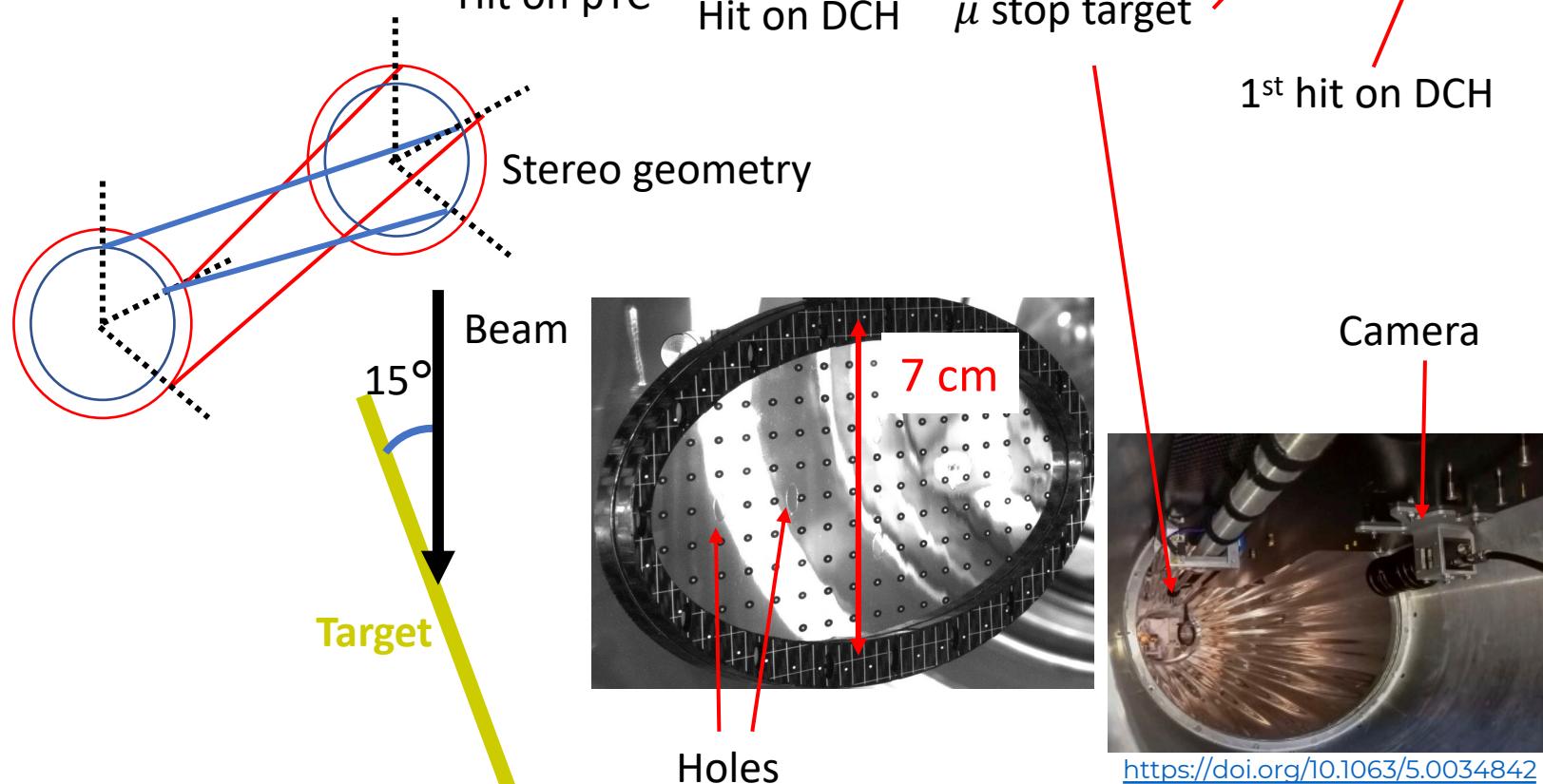
- Positron trajectory in B-field

1. Emitted from target
2. Make hits on drift chamber (DCH)
3. 1.5 or 2.5 turns from target to timing counter (pTC)



- Drift chamber

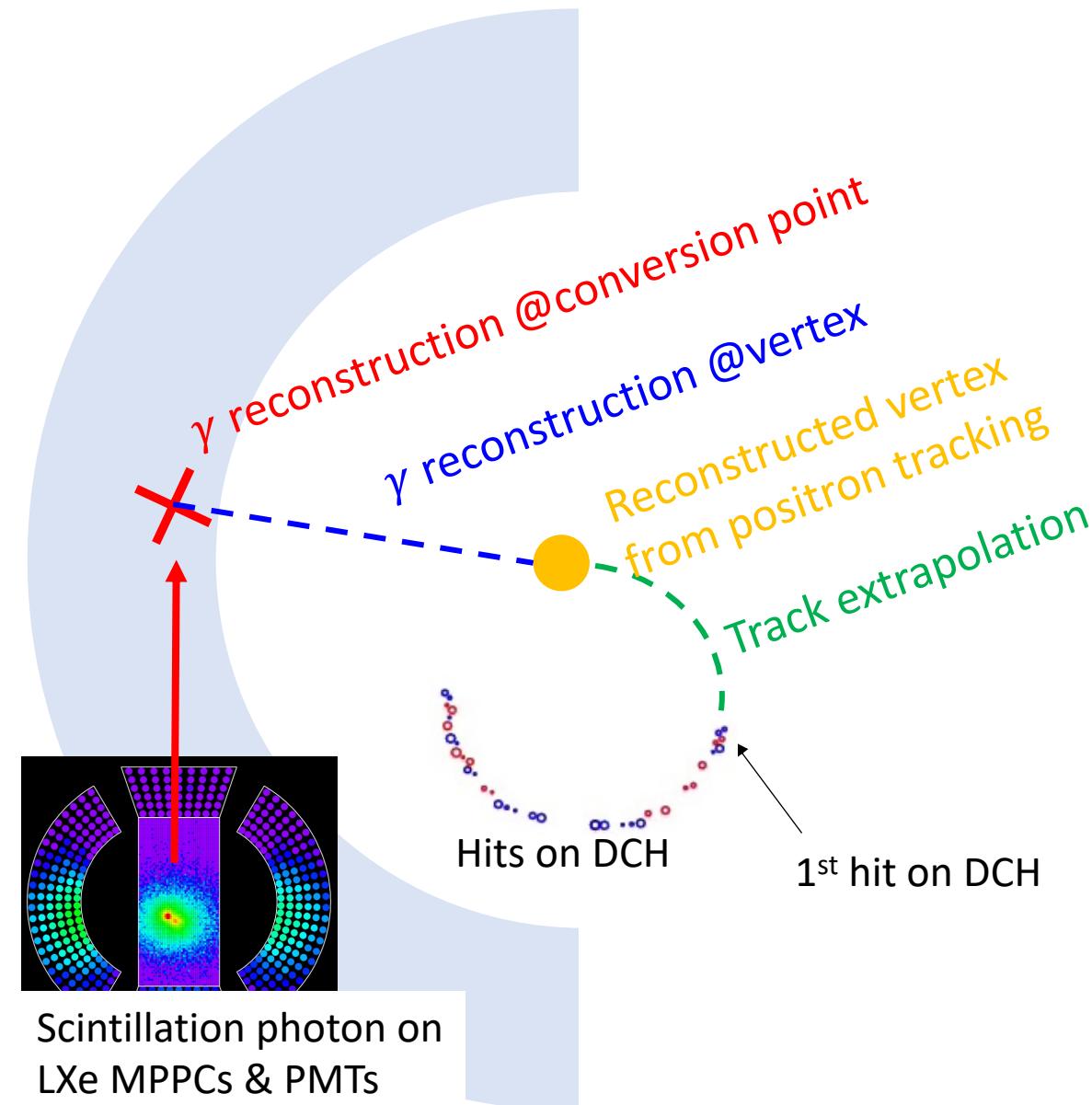
- Stereo geometry wire chamber
- $r_{inner} = 17 \text{ cm}$ ,  $r_{outer} = 27 \text{ cm}$



- $\mu$  stop target

- 15° slanted w.r.t beam
- $r \sim 3.5 \text{ cm}$  projected on XY plane
- 6 holes
- Camera
- Dot markers

# Reconstruction

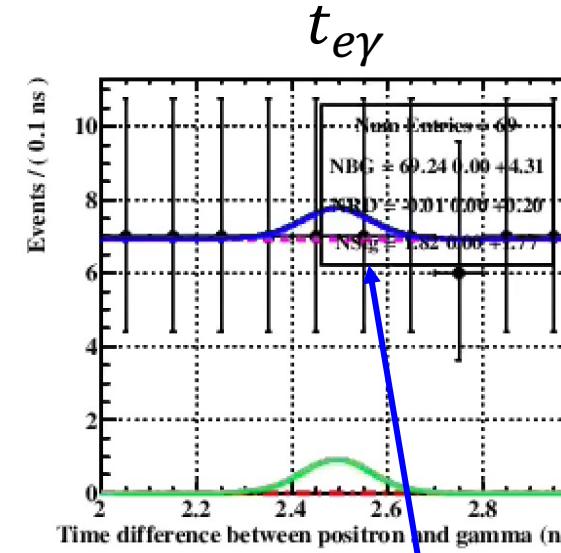


- Positron reconstruction
  - Decay position and angle by track extrapolation to target
  - Time measured at pTC & TOF correction with track
  - Energy from track curvature & B-field
- **Gamma reconstruction @conversion point**
  - Conversion position by light distribution
  - Time by combining measurements at photo sensors
  - Energy by total number of scintillation photons
- **Full reconstruction of kinematics @vertex**
  - Gamma angle by combining with vertex reconstructed by positron spectrometer
  - Gamma time @vertex reconstructed with TOF correction

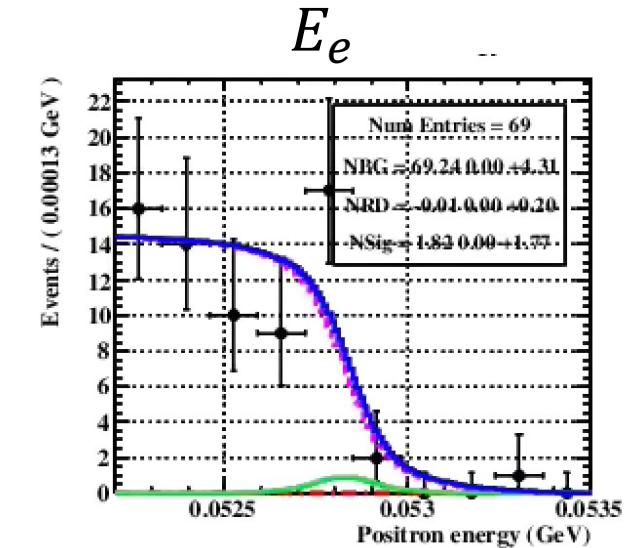
# Observables in analysis

- List of observables

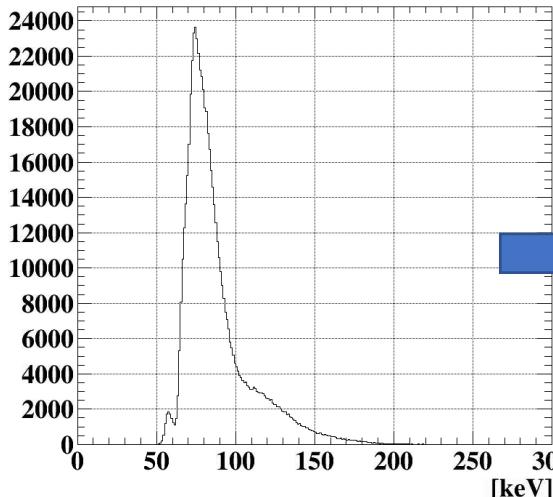
- $t_{e\gamma} := t_\gamma - t_e$
  - $\phi_{e\gamma} := \pi + \phi_e - \phi_\gamma$
  - $\theta_{e\gamma} := \pi - \theta_e - \theta_\gamma$
  - $E_\gamma$
  - $E_e$
  - RDC hit
- ] Opening angle  
decomposed into  $\theta, \phi$



Signal peak in the flat BG distribution (if  $N_{sig} > 0$ )



Tracking momentum uncertainty



With smaller uncertainty,  
signal peak in  $E_e$  distribution  
becomes sharp

- Conditional observables

- Track fitting uncertainty
- $\phi$  emission angle  
(Parameter correlation depends on  $\phi$ )
- Conversion depth in LXe



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# Overview of PDFs

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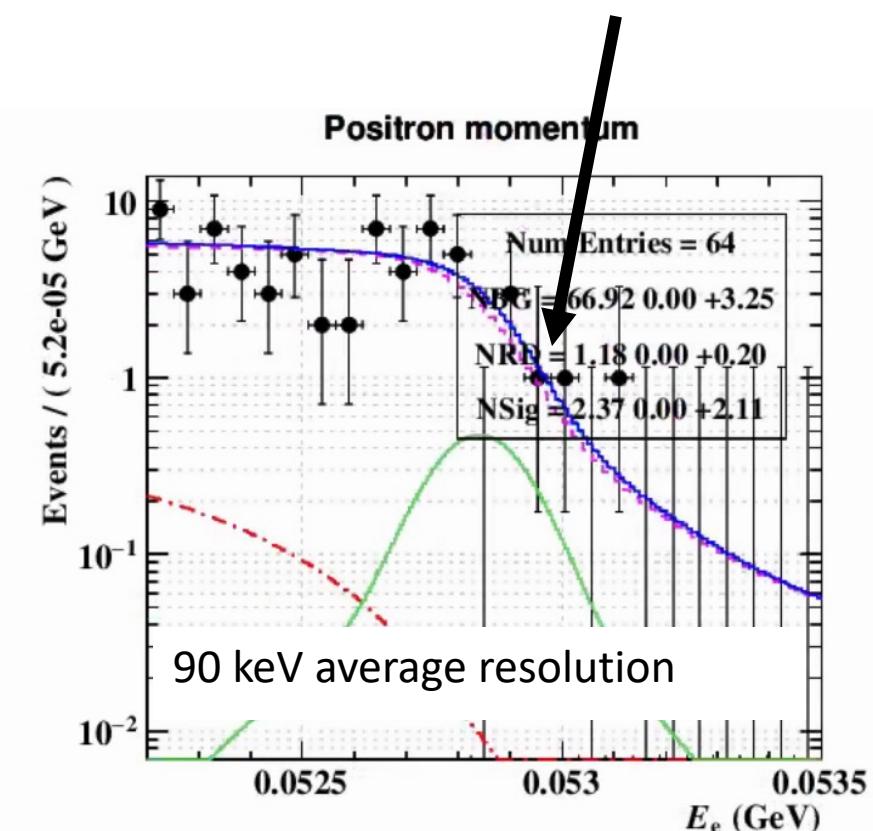
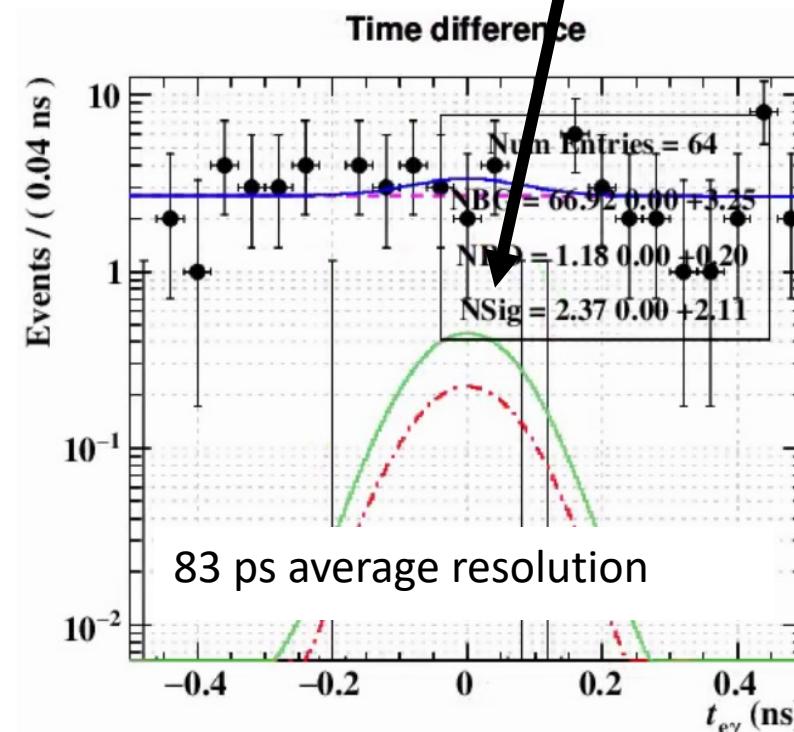
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- RDC hit

Signal PDF  
 BG PDF  
 RMD PDF  
 Full PDF

Also see  
 1.23pT1-2 (2023 spring)  
 2.7aA442-2 (2022 autumn)

RMD events in energy sideband used for resolution evaluation

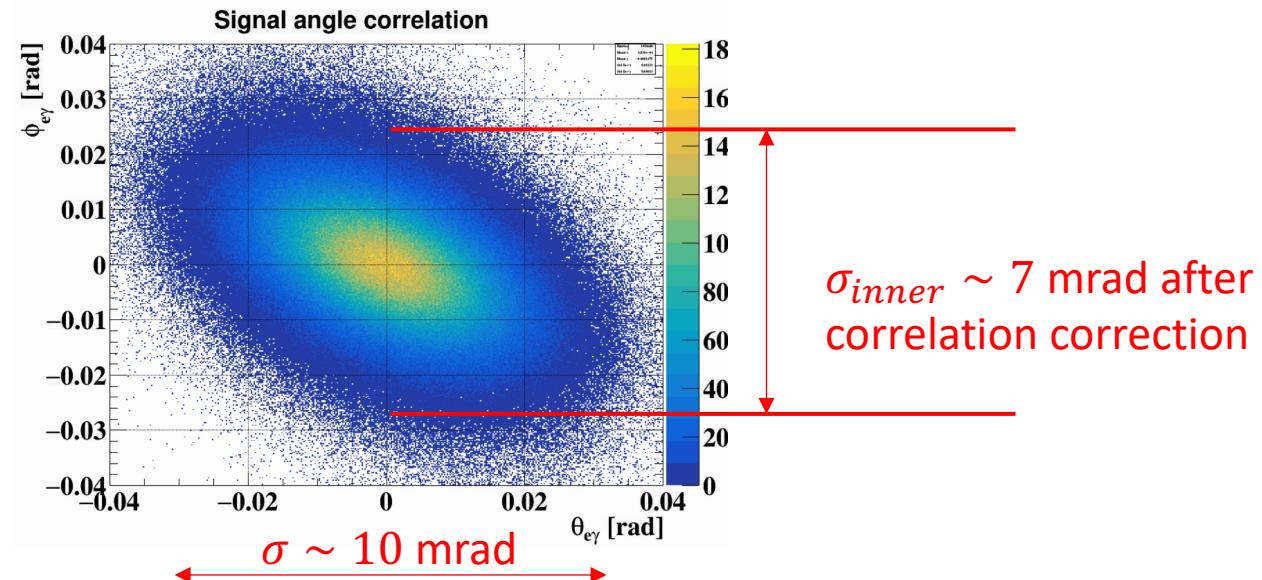
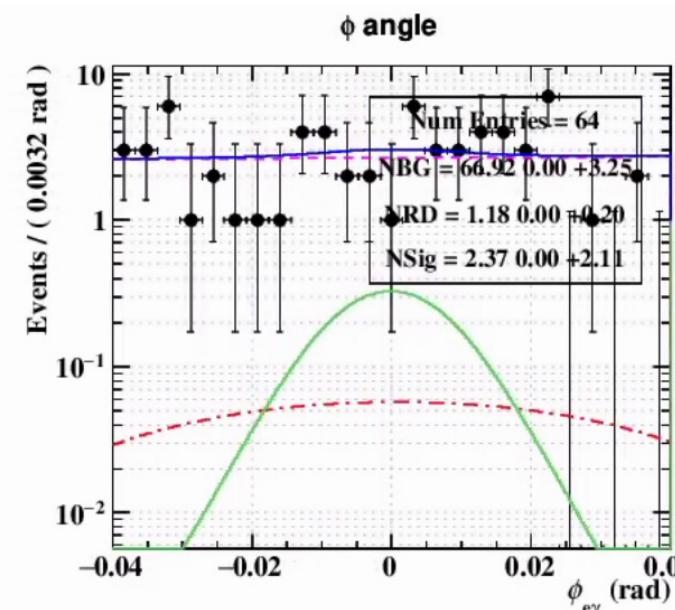
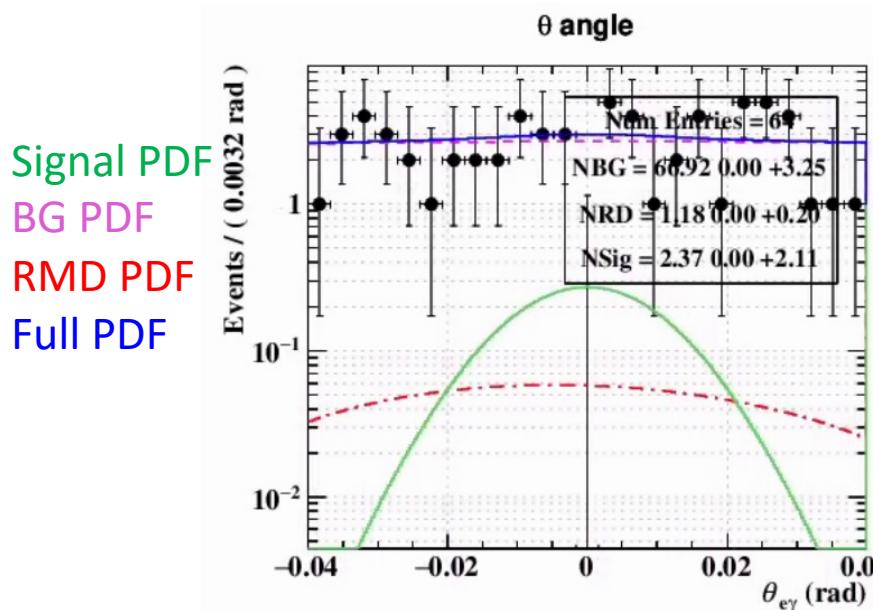
Kinematic endpoint smeared by resolution  
 $\rightarrow$  Resolution evaluated by spectrum fitting



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Positron resolution by two-turn analysis

Detail in

1.23pT1-2 (2023 spring)

2.7aA442-2 (2022 autumn)

Gamma resolution by DAQ w/ collimator

Detail in 15aSE-9 (2020 autumn)

# Normalization

- Normalization with two independent methods

## Michel positron counting method

- Use of pre-scaled positron only trigger
- Automatically include
  - Positron efficiency
  - Beam intensity
- Need precise knowledge of
  - Selection efficiency
  - Trigger efficiency
  - Gamma efficiency
- $(2.55 \pm 0.13) \times 10^{12}$

5 % uncertainty

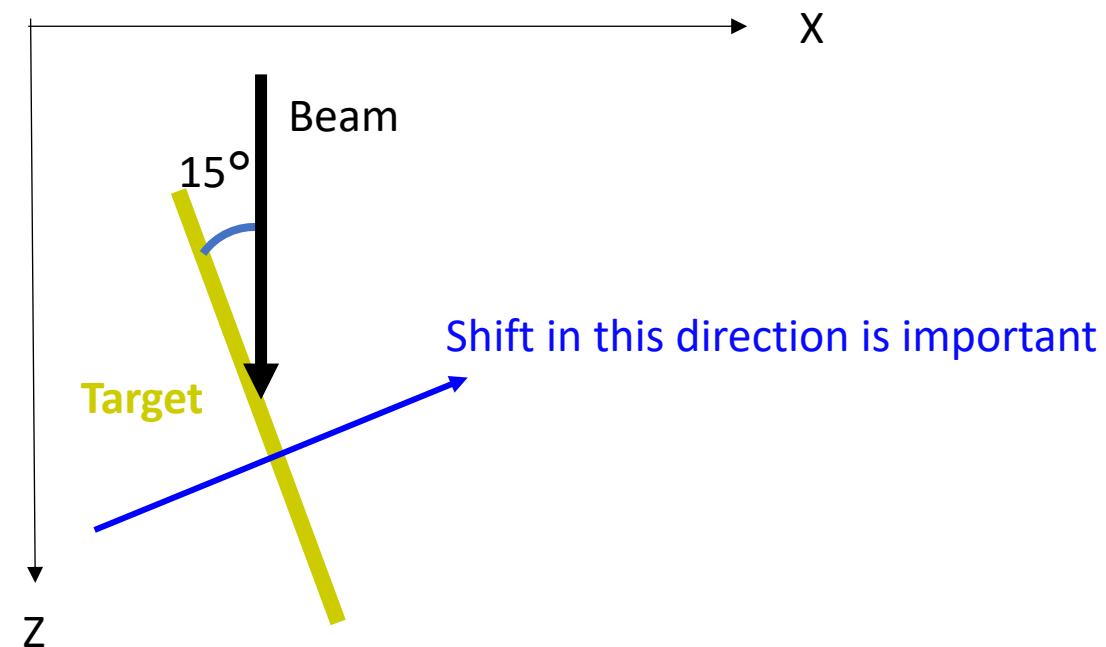
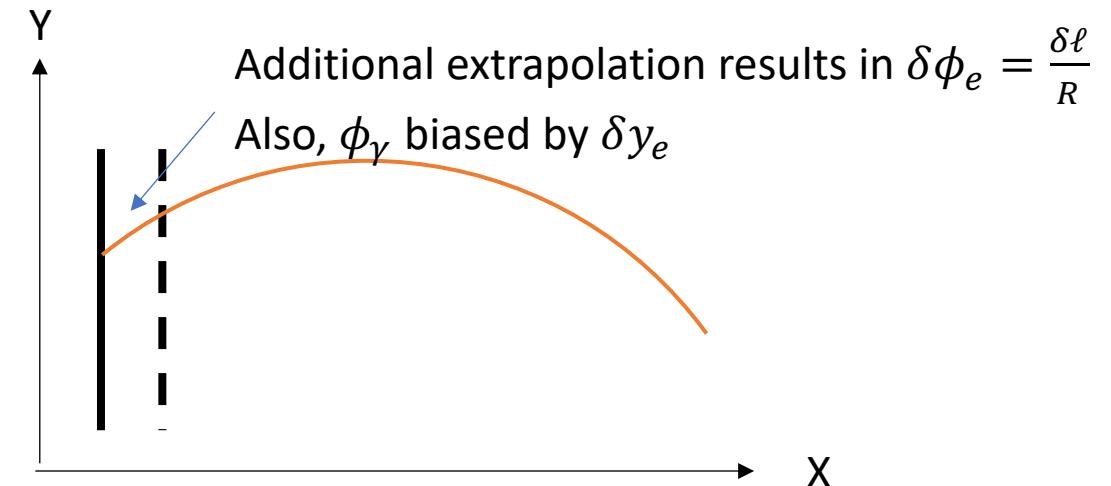
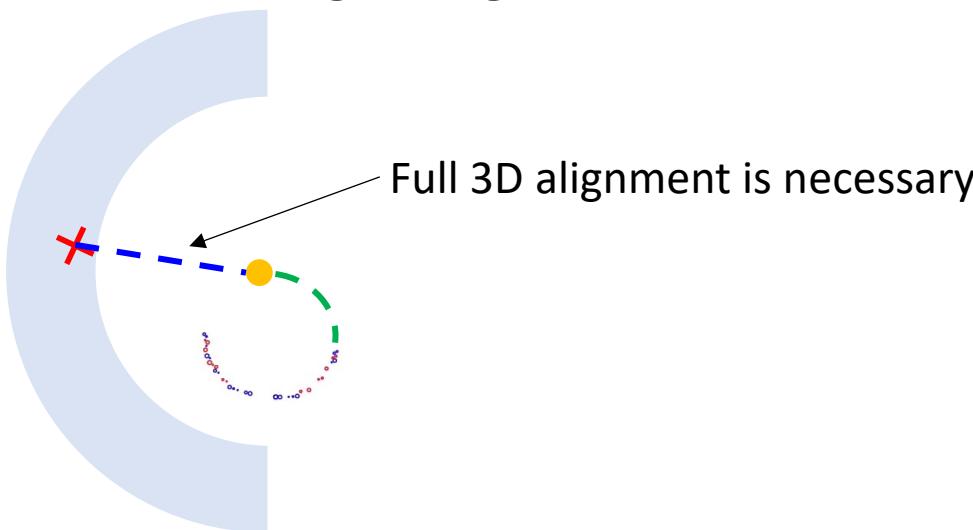
## RMD counting method

- Use of RMD in energy sideband region
- Automatically include both
  - Positron efficiency
  - Gamma efficiency
- Need to correct
  - Efficiency vs energy dependence
  - Impact of detector resolution
- $(3.1 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{12}$ 
  - Large uncertainty in gamma-ray response convolution

→ Combined result:  $(2.64 \pm 0.12) \times 10^{12}$

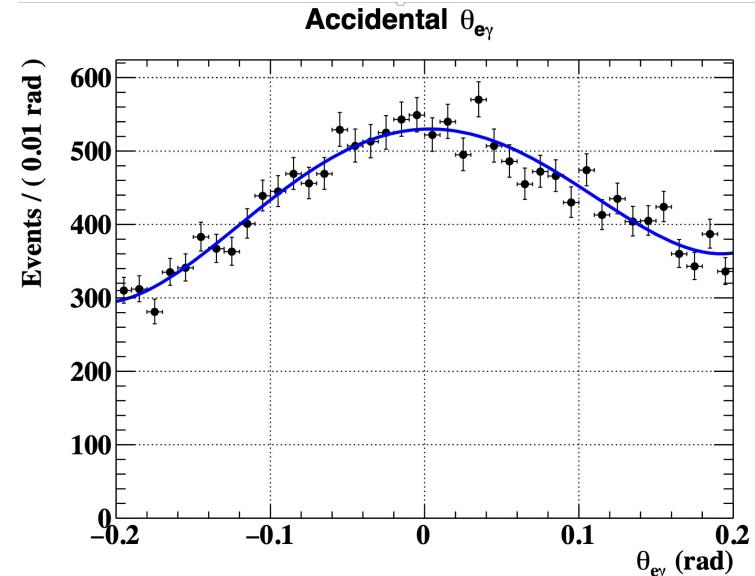
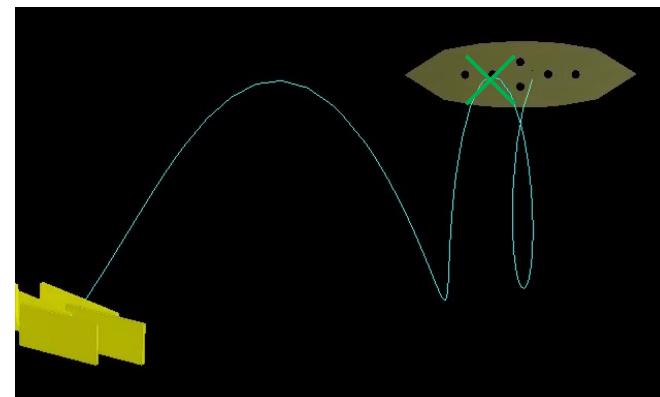
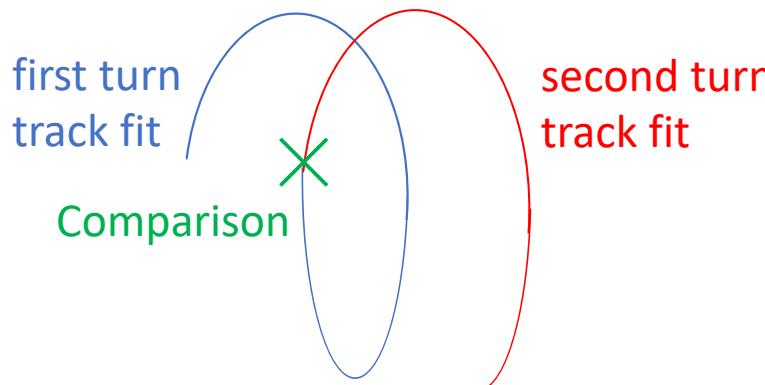
# Alignment (angle PDF uncertainty)

- Mis-alignment shifts signal PDF
  - No physical calibration source
  - Precise alignment is a must
  - Largest systematics source in MEG I
- Important parameters
  1. DCH – LXe relative alignment in 3D
  2. DCH – target alignment in X coordinate

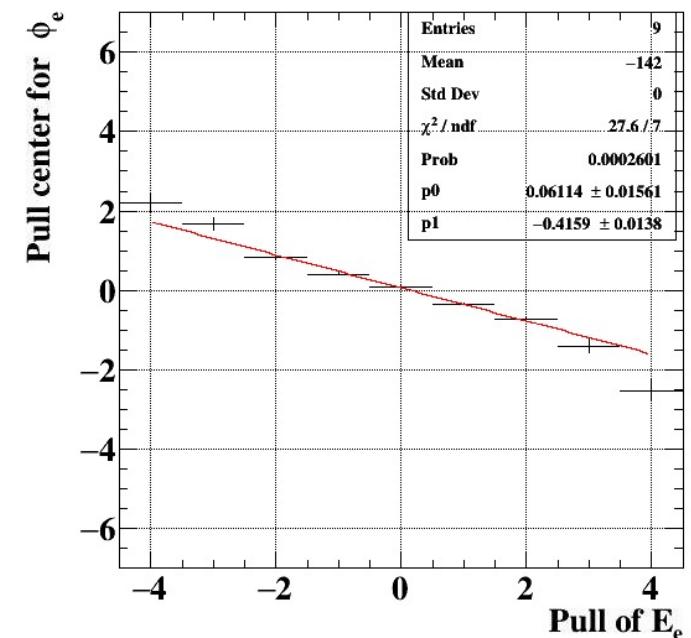


# Angle PDF

- Accidental background
  - Non-flat distribution
    - Trigger requires direction match between positron & gamma
  - Directly taken from sideband
- Signal
  - Correlation is known b/w  $\delta E_e$ ,  $\delta \theta_e$  &  $\delta \phi_e$
  - Correlation parameter estimation in progress
    - By double turn analysis combined with studies on MC samples



Signal  $\phi_e$  error vs  $E_e$  error (MC)



# Positron momentum PDF

- PDF evaluation from background (Michel) fitting
    - Can calibrate energy scale and resolution
    - Fit function:  $(\text{Theory} \times \text{Eff}(E_e)) \otimes \text{Resolution of } E_e$ 
      - $\text{Eff}(E_e)$ :  $E_e$  dependence of efficiency (Modeled with erf)
    - Tracks categorized on  $E_e$  uncertainty in track fitting
      - Clear change in resolution and  $\text{Eff}(E_e)$
  - Uncertainty
    - Energy scale: 10 – 20 keV
    - Resolution: up to  $\sim 10\%$ 
      - Fit resolution well agrees with tracking uncertainty
- O(0.1 %) impact to  $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$  sensitivity

