

#### Detector studies and software analysis with The Mu3e Experiment

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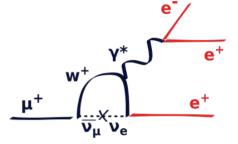
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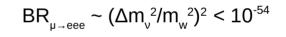
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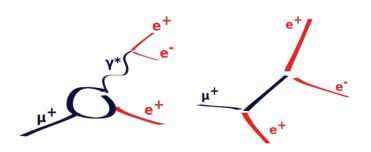
# • Search for Lepton Flavour Violating (LFV) decay $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+e^-e^+$

- Heavily suppressed in the SM
  - Mediated by neutrino mixing
  - Enhanced by various beyond-SM theories
- Current limit (90% CL):
  - $BR_{\mu \to eee} < 10^{-12} SINDRUM 1988$
- Mu3e targets up to BR  $\sim 10^{-16}$ , 4 orders of magnitude better than the current results





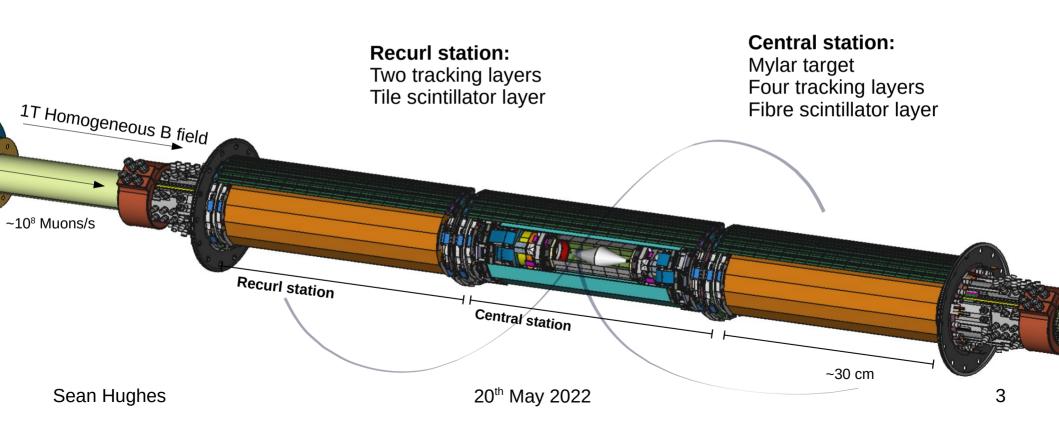




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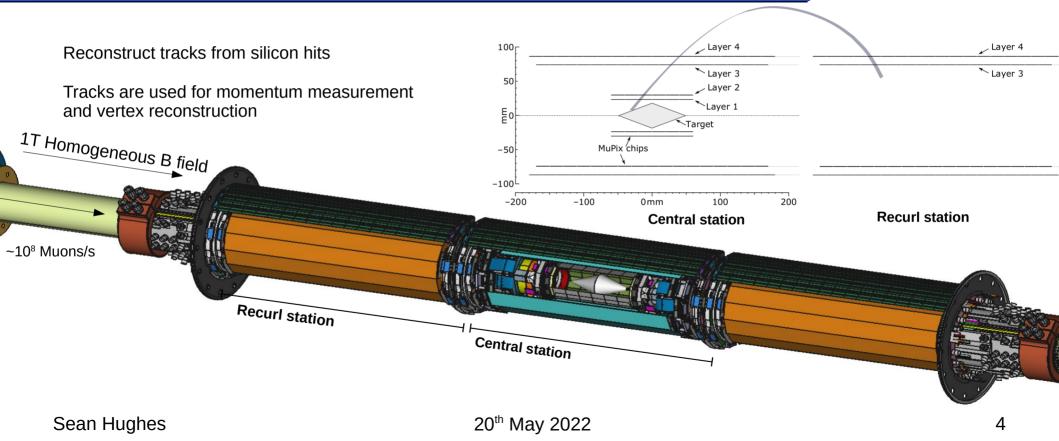
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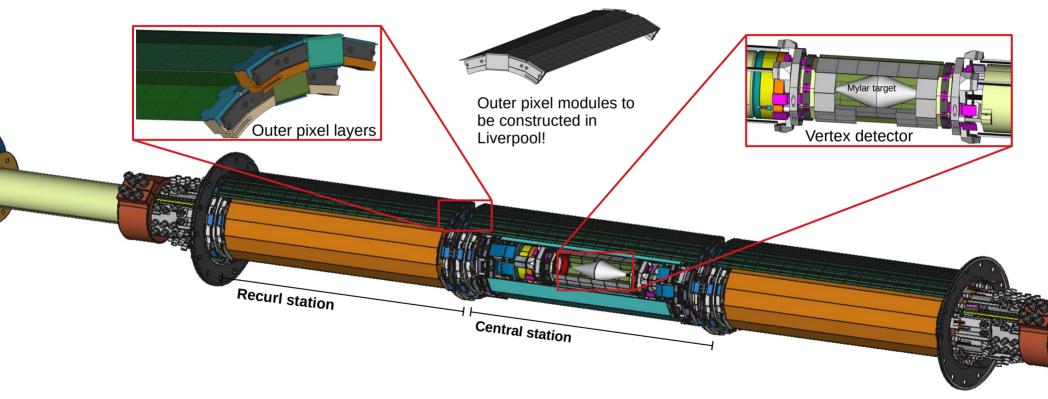
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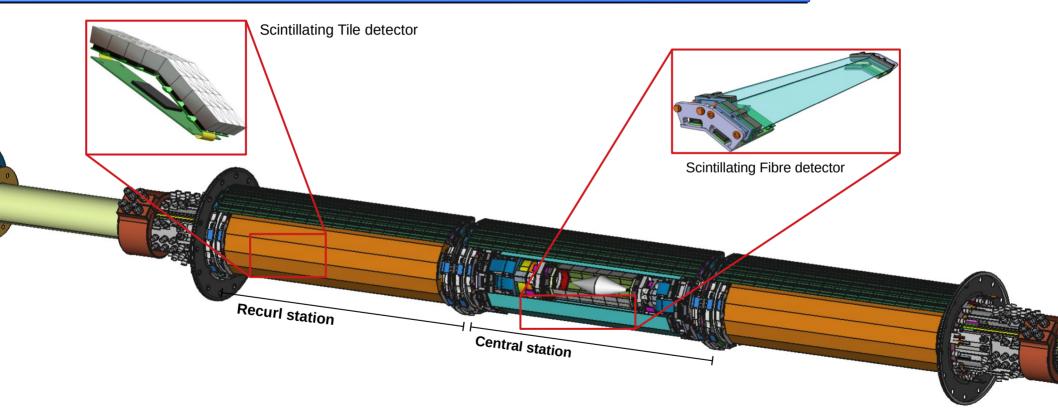
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#### The Mu3e Detector (4/4)





## Mu3e Software Two-layer tracking



Mu3e two-layer tracking performance studied (Integration Mu3e Work in progress run) σ<sub>p</sub> [MeV] Short Fake-rate, reconstruction Int. run efficiencies and momentum resolutions were estimated Long-8 Long-6 Simulation also used in the context of the ongoing cosmic  $10^{-1}$ Integration run run Modules of 4 ladders 10 10 n 20 30 50 60 70 40 arget Phase I geometry Half-she p<sub>mc</sub> [MeV] or 5 laders

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## Mu3e Software Search for Dark Photons

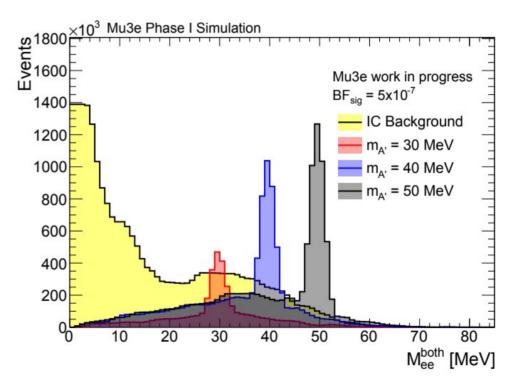


• Signature:

A' is Dark Photon

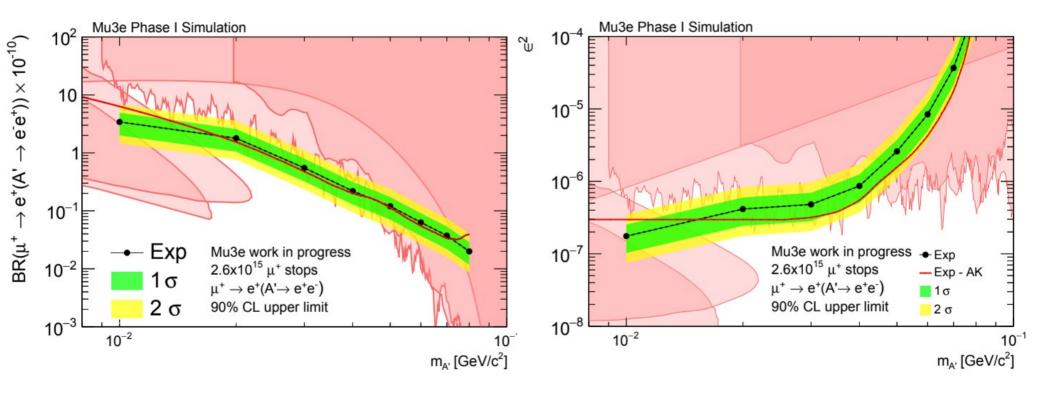
 $A' = e^{+}$   $W^{+} = v_{e}^{+}$   $\overline{v_{\mu}}$ 

- Redo an old study with latest version of software & an updated statistics treatment
- Multivariate techniques were also investigated
- Limit calculated using dielectron invariant mass distribution



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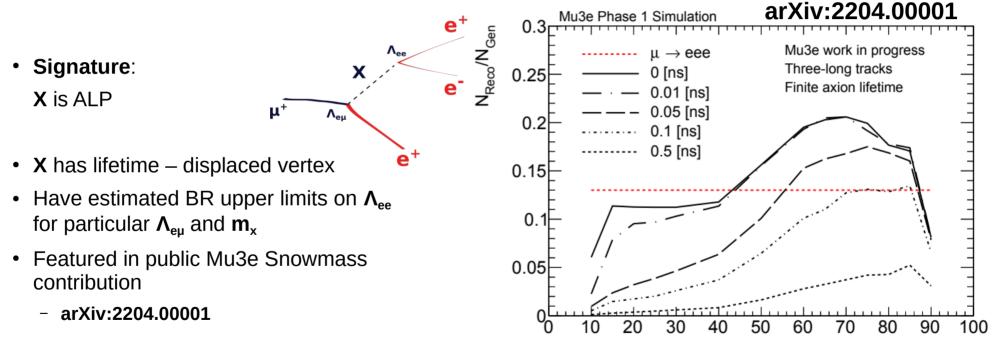
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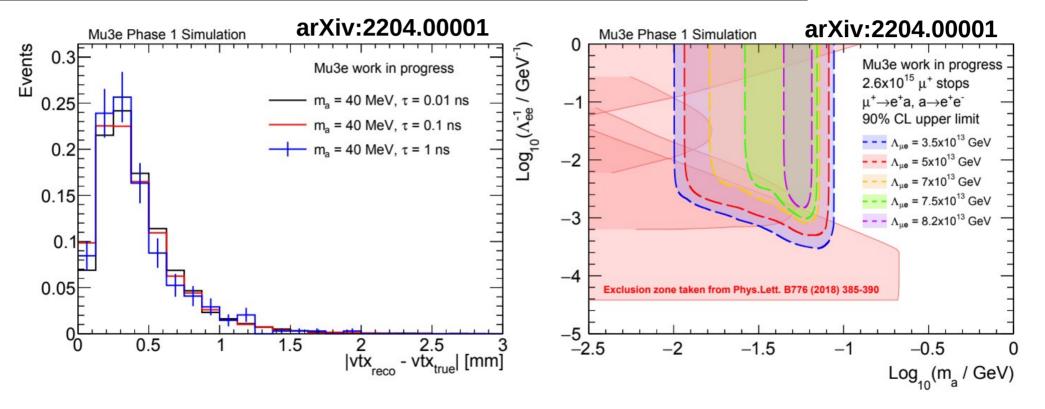


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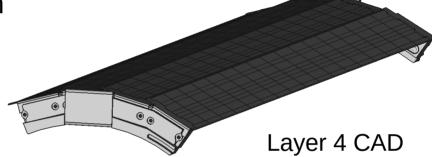
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#### Mu3e Hardware Laboratory work

- Liverpool responsible for construction of Mu3e detector's outer pixel layers
- Work on metrology, preparation for module construction and cooling studies are ongoing







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#### Mu3e Hardware Cosmic run

- Had the privilege of working at PSI
- Assisted in detector setup of Cosmic run, silicon chip ladder quality control... cosmic data taking to begin soon

Vertex detector prototype 20<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Now can we see cosmics?



#### Summary



- Physics and performance:
  - Undertaken studies on performance of the simulated Phase Ib Mu3e detector
    - Helped update Mu3e detector geometry
  - Worked on sensitivity studies regarding other physics with Mu3e
    - Dark Photon sensitivity study
    - ALP sensitivity study
- Hardware:
  - Construction of tape heater modules
  - Cooling studies of outer pixel layers

