

# The Muon $g-2$ Experiment

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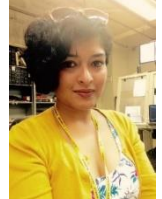
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Press Conference: First results from the muon g-2 experiment at Fermilab

Muon 

Live Broadcast:

  
**Press  
Conference**

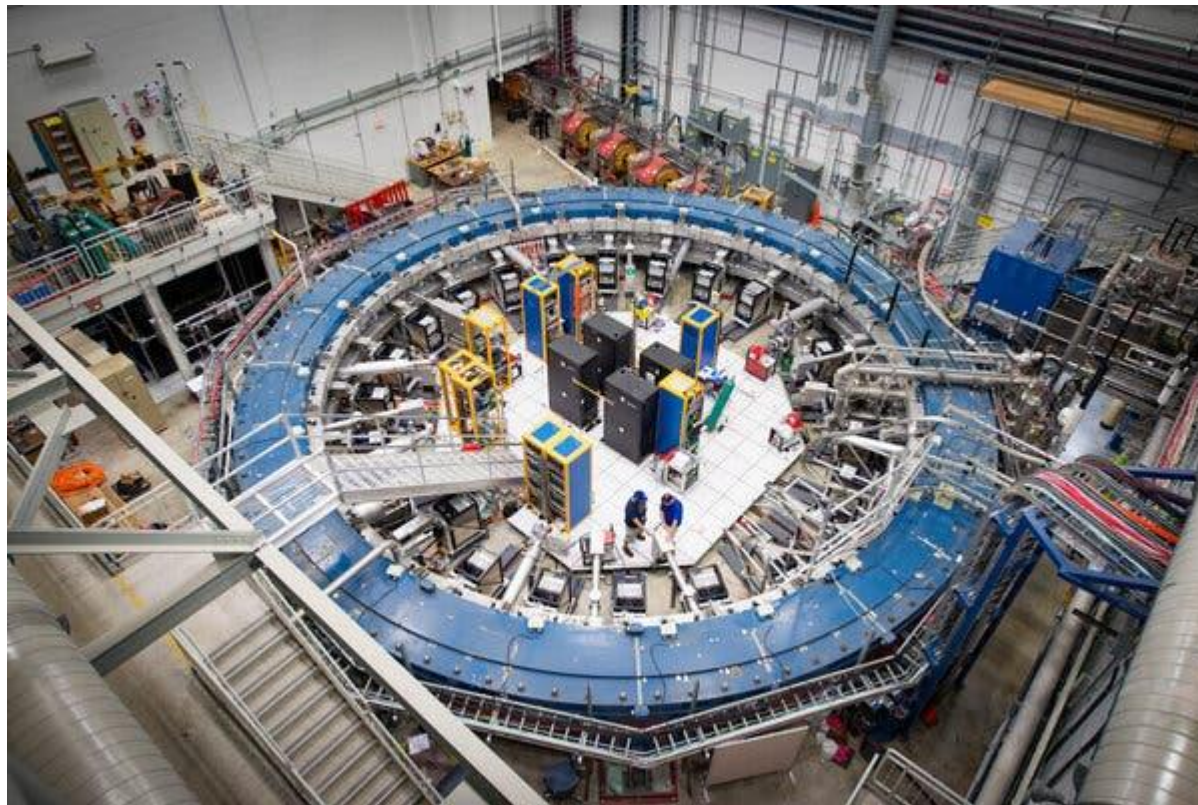


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# The New York Times

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“Finding From Particle Research Could Break Known Laws of Physics”

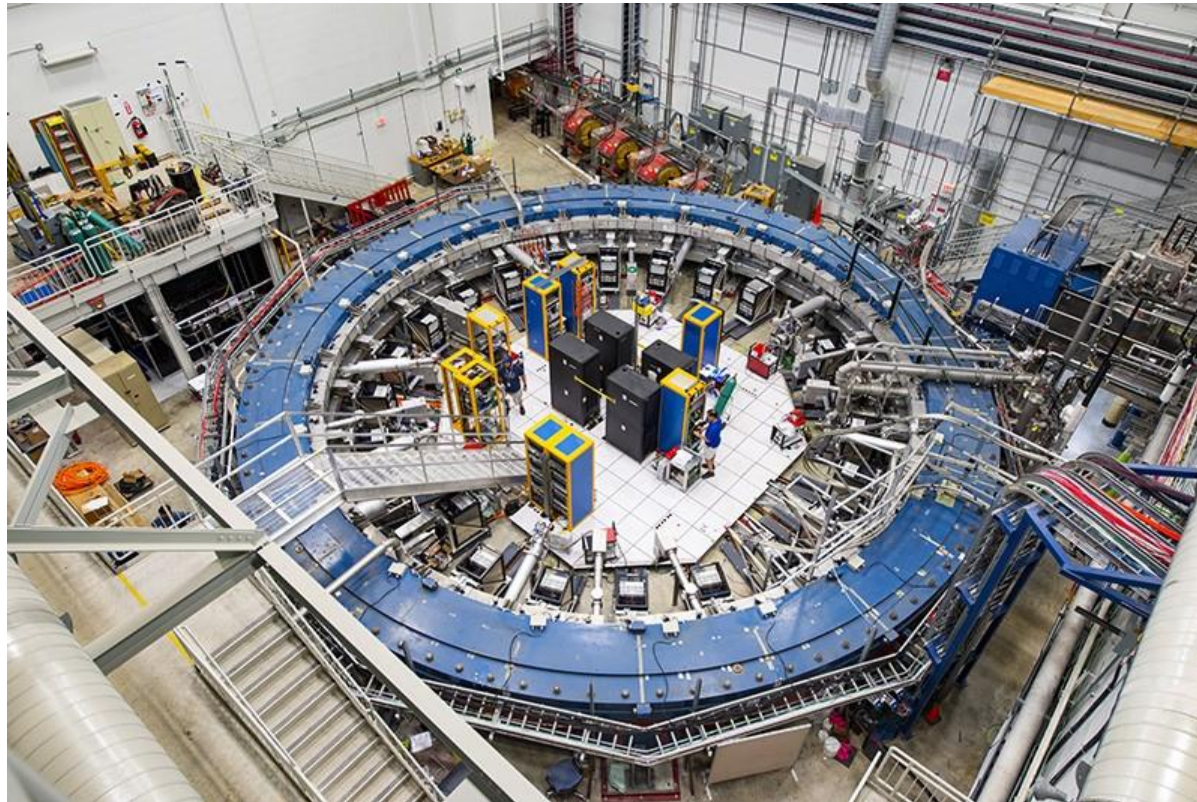


The Muon g-2 ring, at the Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory in Batavia, IL

# nature

April 7, 2021

“Is the standard model broken? Physicists cheer major muon result.”



The storage-ring magnet used for the  $g - 2$  experiment at Fermilab.

# Science

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“Particle mystery deepens, as physicists confirm that the muon is more magnetic than predicted.”

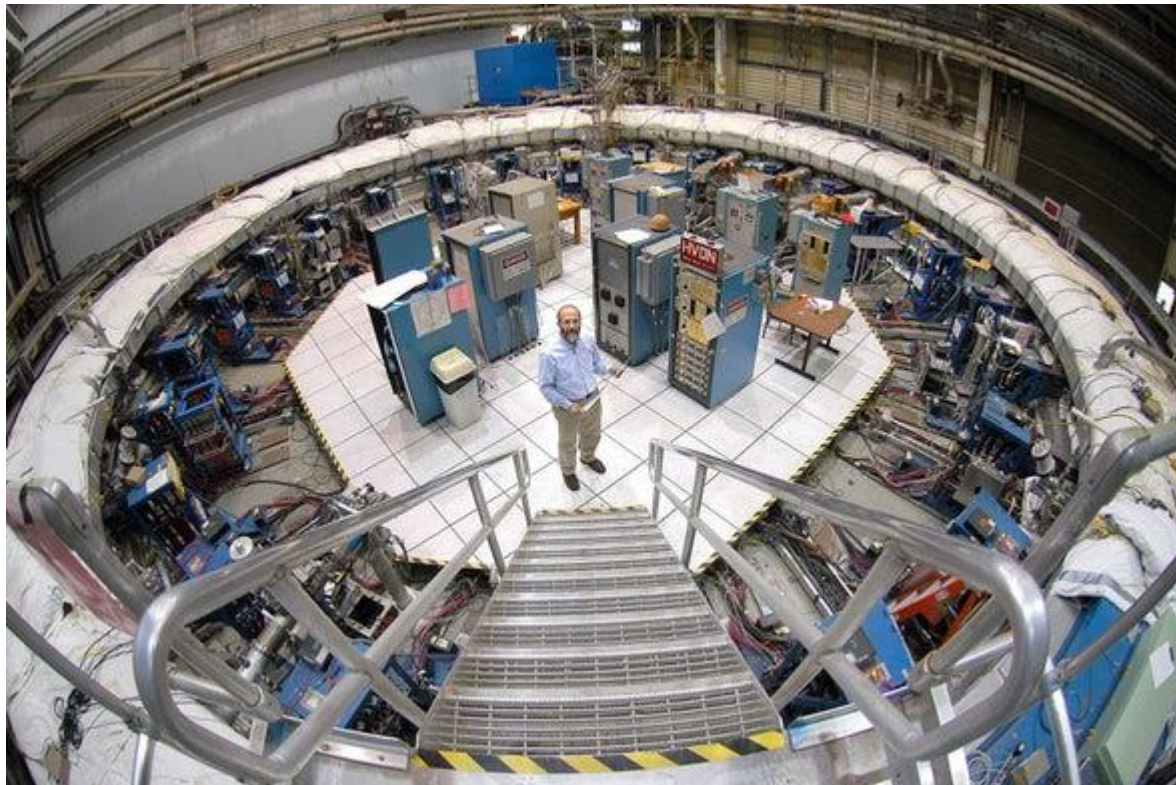


Muons twirl as they circulate in this ring-shaped accelerator at Fermilab, like race cars perpetually spinning out.

# SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN™

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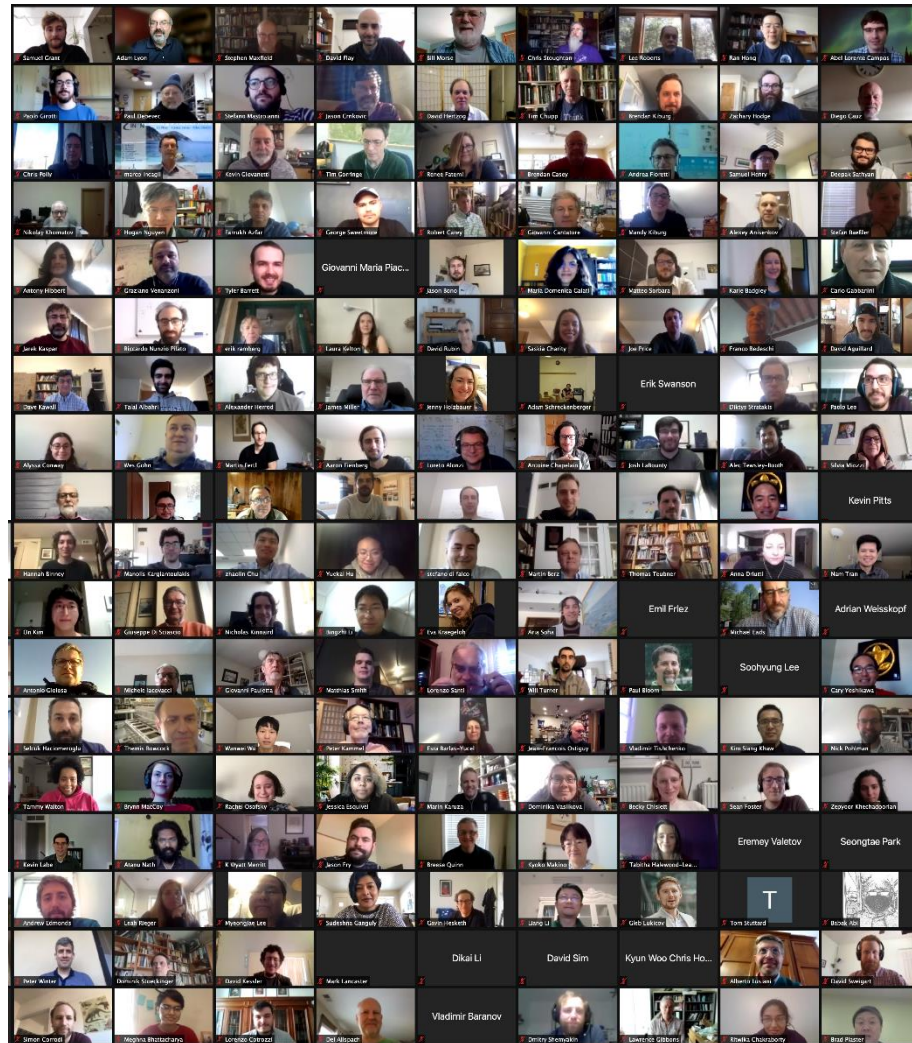
“Long-Awaited Muon Measurement  
Boosts Evidence for New Physics”



The muon g-2 magnetic storage ring, seen here at Brookhaven National Laboratory in New York before its 2013 relocation to Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory in Illinois.

# February 27, 2021

## FNAL E989 unblinding decision Zoom





# FNAL E989 2019 collaboration meeting photo



# Muon $g-2$ Collaboration

7 countries, 35 institutions, 190 collaborators



# What did we do between February 27 and April 7?

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS **126**, 141801 (2021)

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Editors' Suggestion

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**Measurement of the Positive Muon Anomalous Magnetic Moment to 0.46 ppm**

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**Magnetic-field measurement and analysis for the Muon  $g - 2$  Experiment at Fermilab**

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**Measurement of the anomalous precession frequency of the muon  
in the Fermilab Muon  $g - 2$  Experiment**

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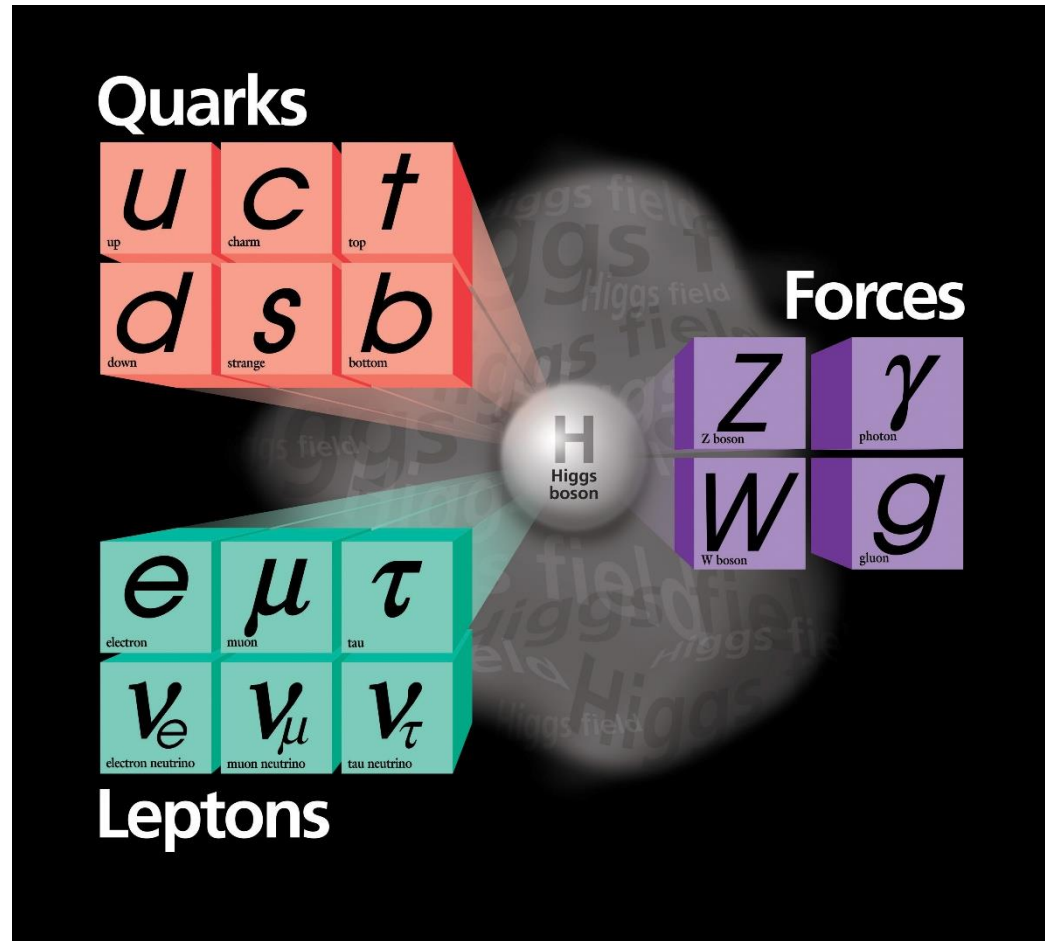
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**Beam dynamics corrections to the Run-1 measurement  
of the muon anomalous magnetic moment at Fermilab**

# Brief overview of particle physics

# The standard model

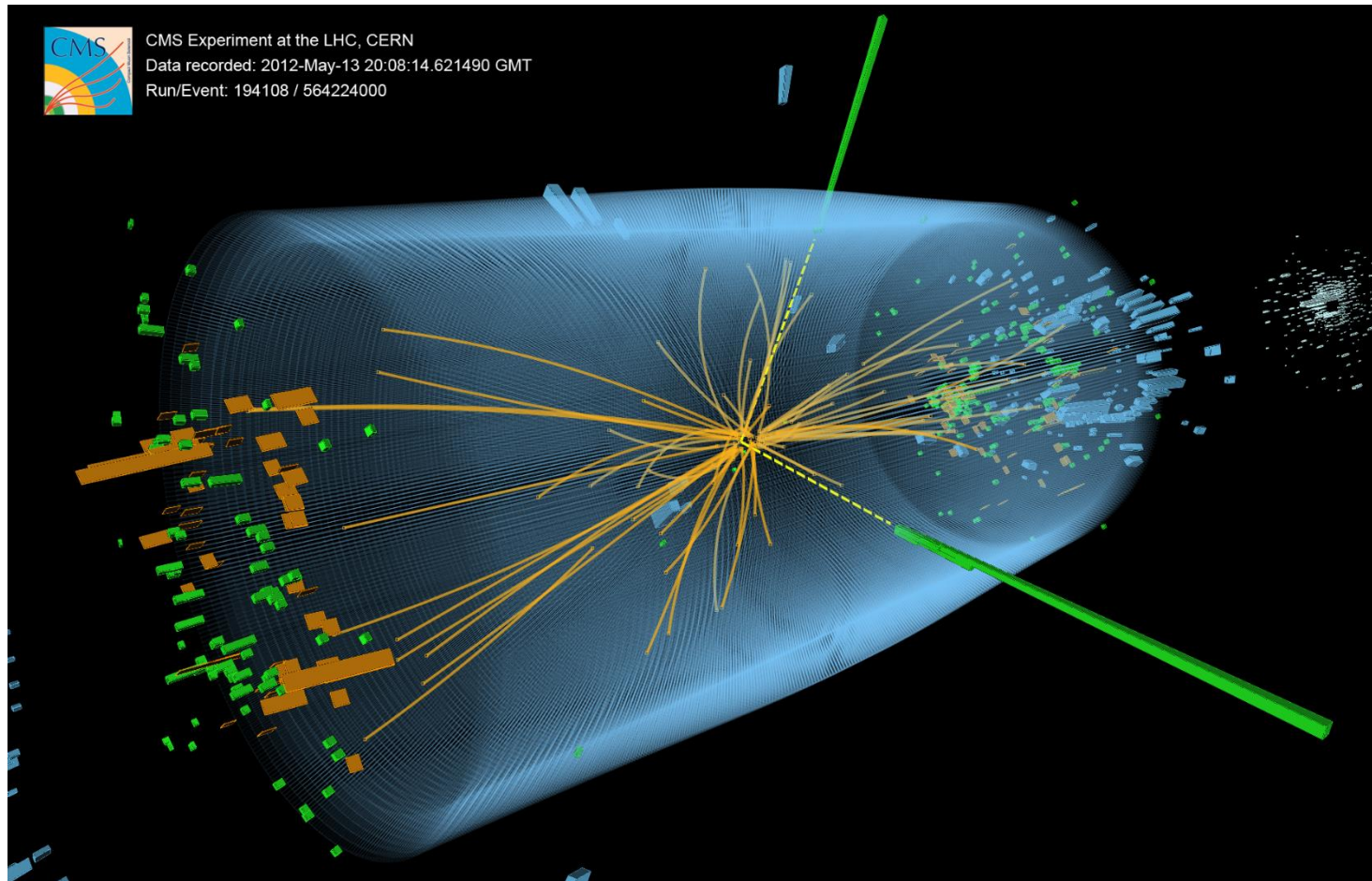
6 quarks, 6 leptons, 3 forces, 1 Higgs



# The standard model is incomplete.

- origin of neutrino masses
  - neutrino oscillations change flavor
- what is dark matter?
  - ordinary matter is only 5% of observed universe
- matter/anti-matter asymmetry
  - why did anti-matter disappear? other CP violation?
- universe expansion is accelerating
  - dark energy?
- gravity not in standard model
  - grand unification of all forces?

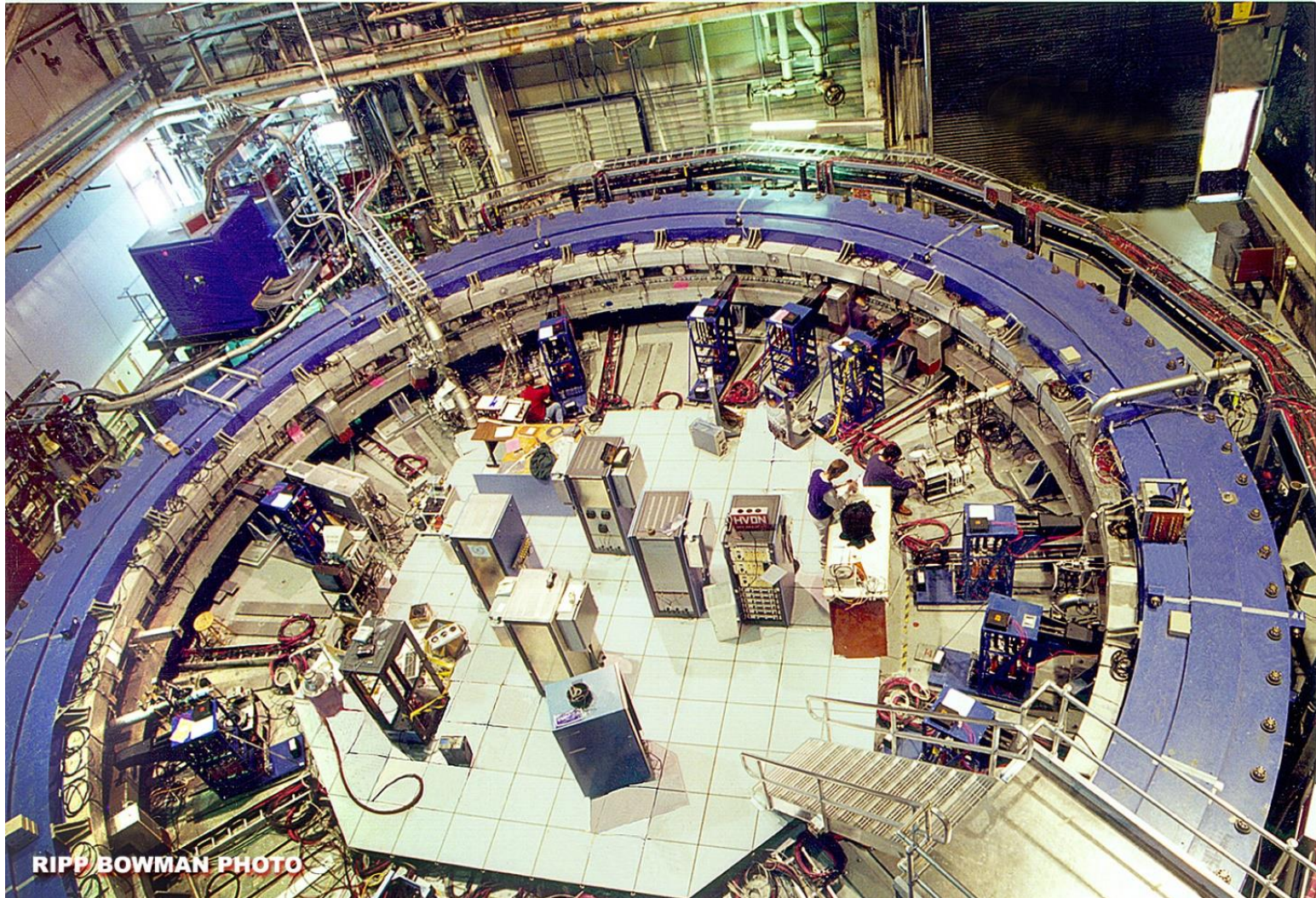
# Search by direct production in high-energy collisions



Higgs boson discovery event

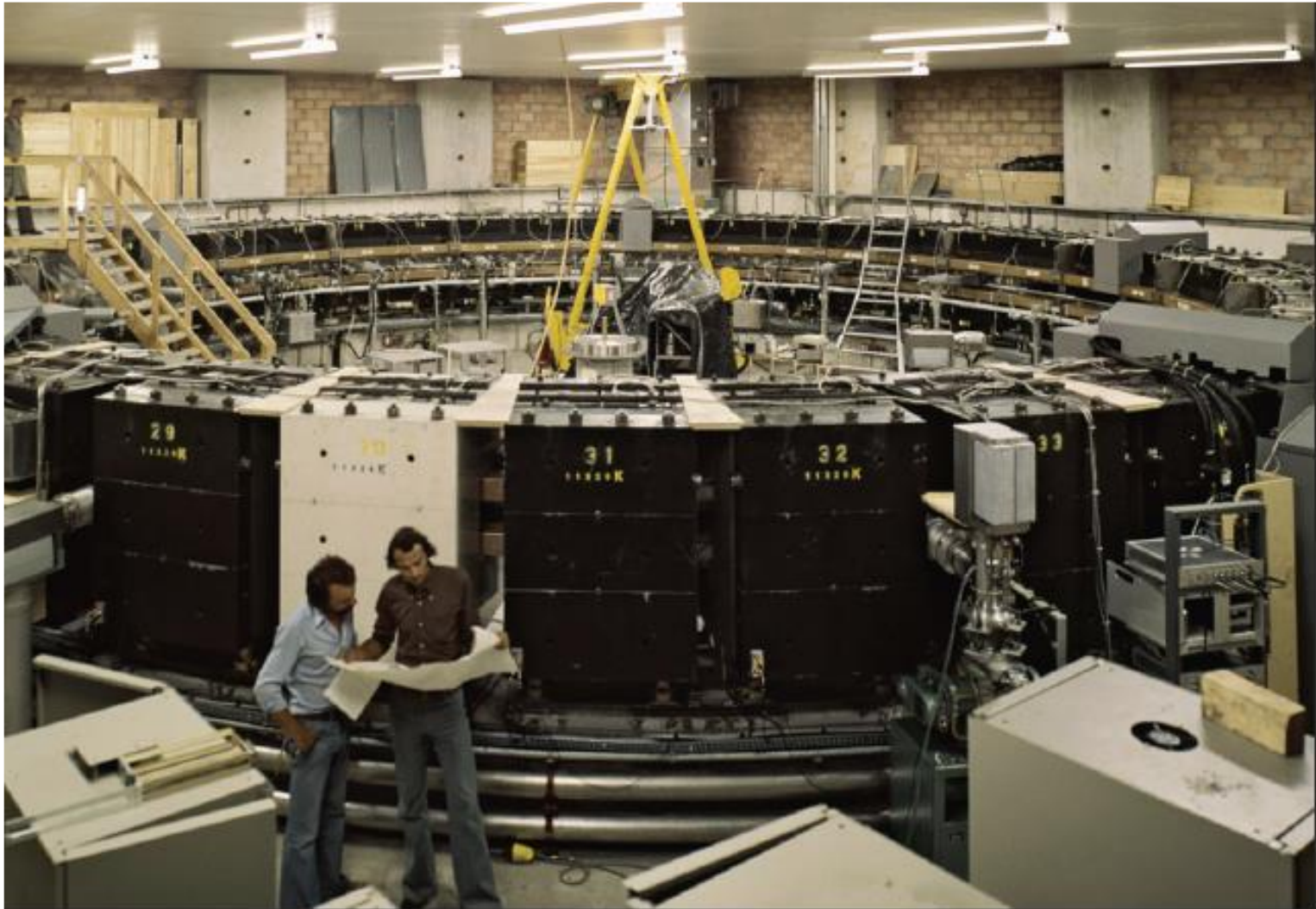
# Search by precision measurements of fundamental properties

g-2 storage ring at Brookhaven National Laboratory circa 2005



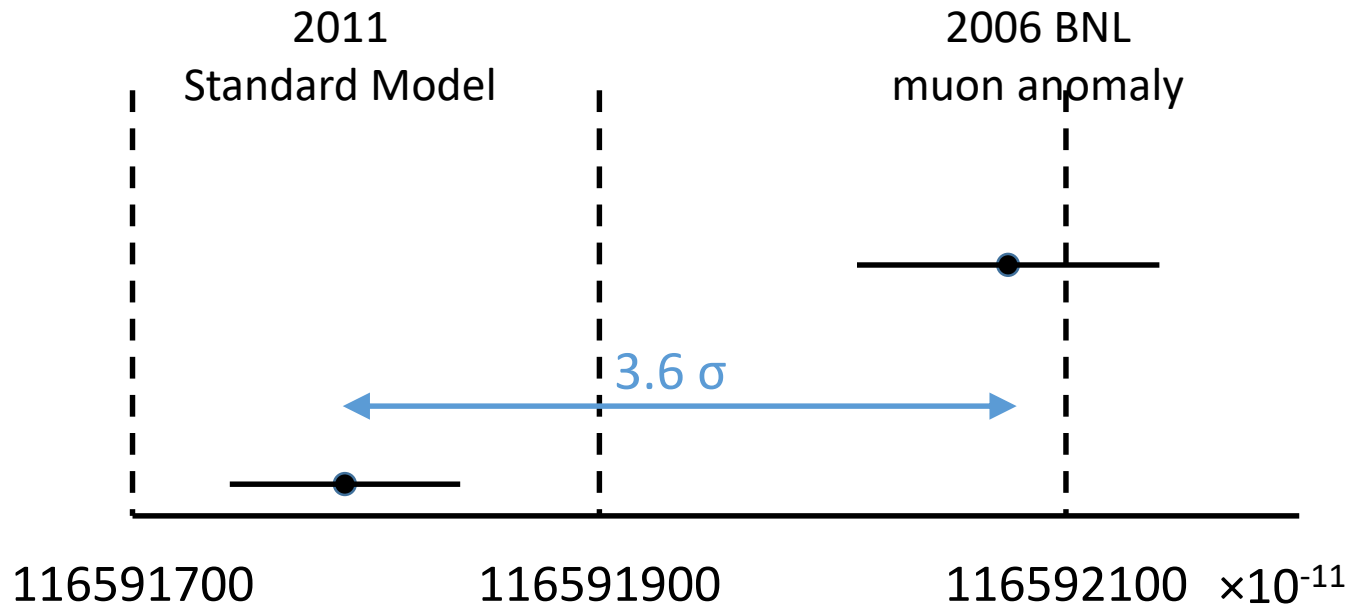


# CERN g-2 storage ring circa 1976



CERN final result 7 ppm precision from runs in 1974-1976  
(positive muons), and 1975-1976 (negative muons)

# Precision Experimental Result – 2006 BNL g-2 Compared to Precision Standard Model Calculation of 2011



discovery gold standard is 5  $\sigma$

BNL final result 0.54 ppm precision from runs in 1999 and 2000 (positive muons), and 2001 (negative muons)

# CERN and BNL results history

TABLE I. Summary of  $a_\mu$  results from CERN and BNL, showing the evolution of experimental precision over time. The average is obtained from the 1999, 2000 and 2001 data sets only.

Experiment	Years	Polarity	$a_\mu \times 10^{10}$	Precision [ppm]	Reference
CERN I	1961	$\mu^+$	11450000(220000)	4300	[2]
CERN II	1962–1968	$\mu^+$	11661600(3100)	270	[3]
CERN III	1974–1976	$\mu^+$	11659100(110)	10	[5]
CERN III	1975–1976	$\mu^-$	11659360(120)	10	[5]
BNL	1997	$\mu^+$	11659251(150)	13	[6]
BNL	1998	$\mu^+$	11659191(59)	5	[7]
BNL	1999	$\mu^+$	11659202(15)	1.3	[8]
BNL	2000	$\mu^+$	11659204(9)	0.73	[9]
BNL	2001	$\mu^-$	11659214(9)	0.72	[10]
Average			11659208.0(6.3)	0.54	[10]

g-2 moves to FNAL

# The Big Move June - July 2013

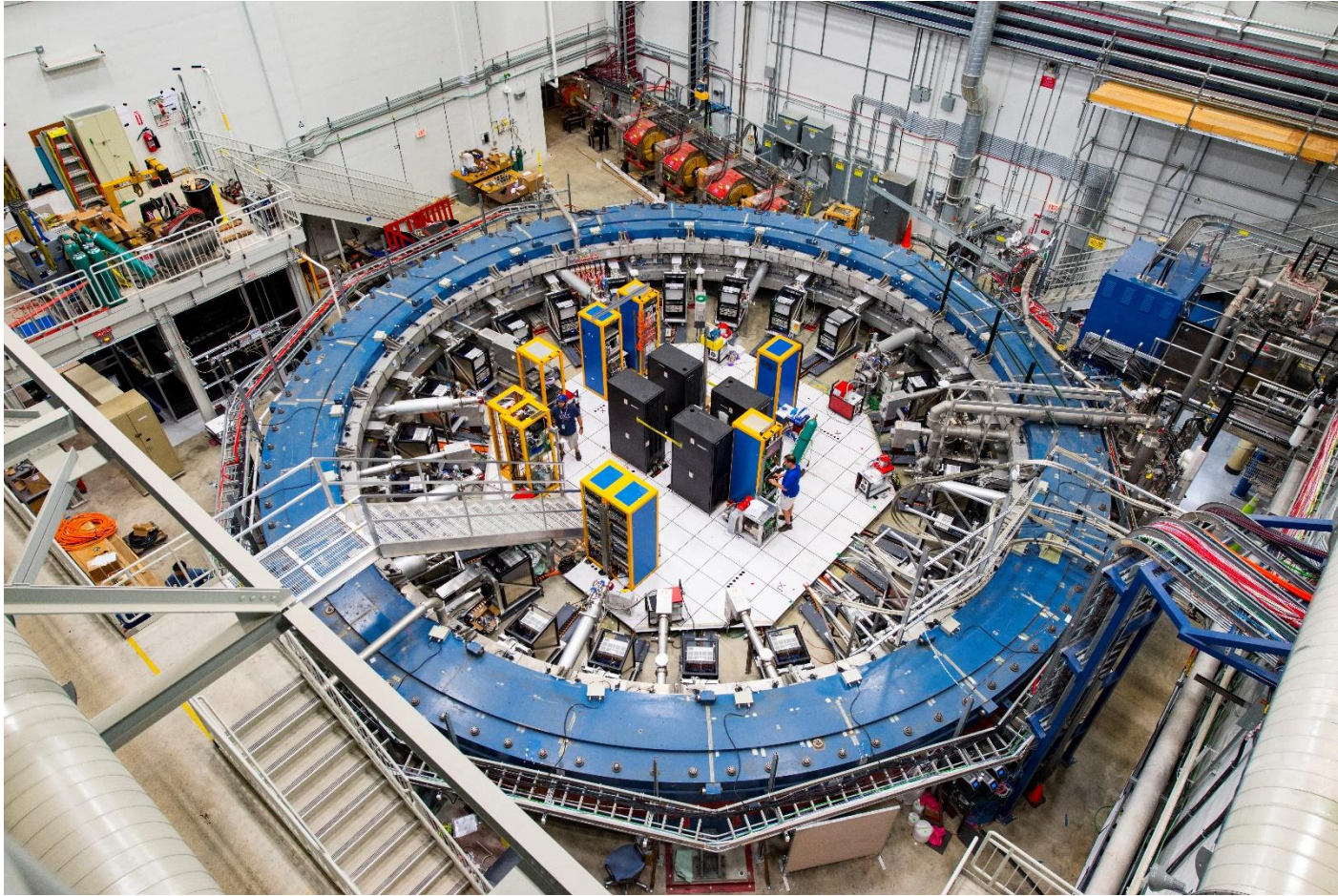




# g-2 storage ring coils arrive at FNAL July, 2013



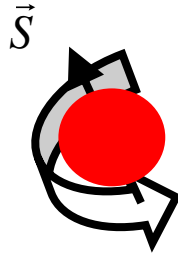
# g-2 storage ring at FNAL operational April, 2018





# Back to the Beginning. What's g?

A particle with spin (angular momentum) has a (spin) magnetic moment.



$$\vec{\mu} = g \frac{e}{2m} \vec{S}$$

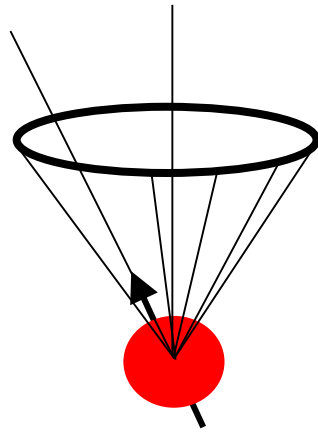
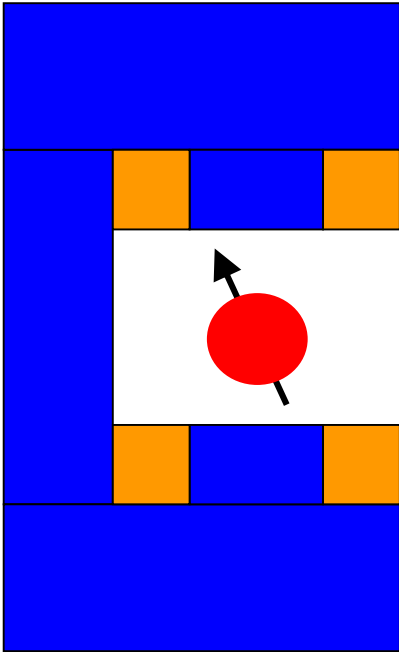
Spin is quantized.  
For spin  $\frac{1}{2}$  particles

$$\mu = g \frac{e \hbar}{2m 2}$$

According to quantum mechanics and special relativity as combined in the Dirac equation, for structureless spin one-half particles, e.g. electron and muon, the g-factor is exactly 2.

So, for the electron and muon  $\mu = 2 \frac{e \hbar}{2m 2}$

# magnetic moments precess in a magnetic field



$$\vec{\tau} = \vec{\mu} \times \vec{B} = \frac{d}{dt} \vec{S} \quad \text{torque equation}$$

$$\omega_s = g \frac{e}{2m} B \quad \text{precession frequency equation}$$

The precession (angular) frequency is proportional to  $g$  and  $B$ .

**Measure  $B$  and  $\omega_s$  to determine  $g$ .**

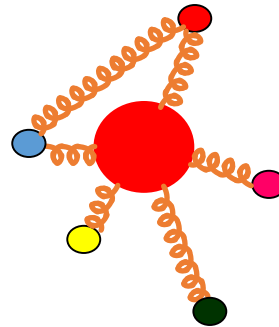
# g-factor anomaly – g is not exactly 2

anomaly defined

$$a \equiv \frac{g-2}{2}$$

anomaly illustrated

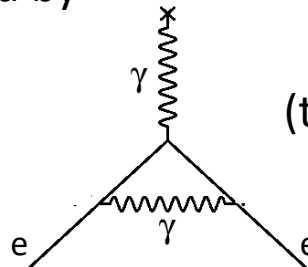
all particles are surrounded by virtual particles and fields



(this figure is a cartoon)

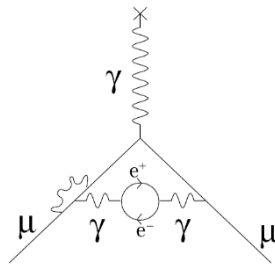
lowest order QED contribution first calculated by Schwinger (1947)

$$a_e = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} = 0.00116141$$

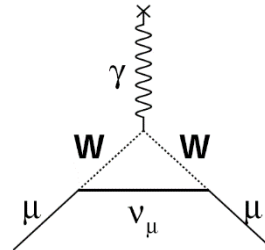


(this figure is a Feynman diagram)

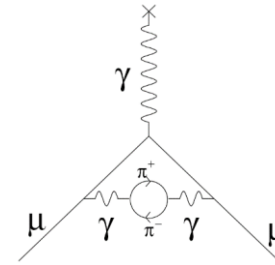
# complete standard model contributions to g-2



QED



Electroweak



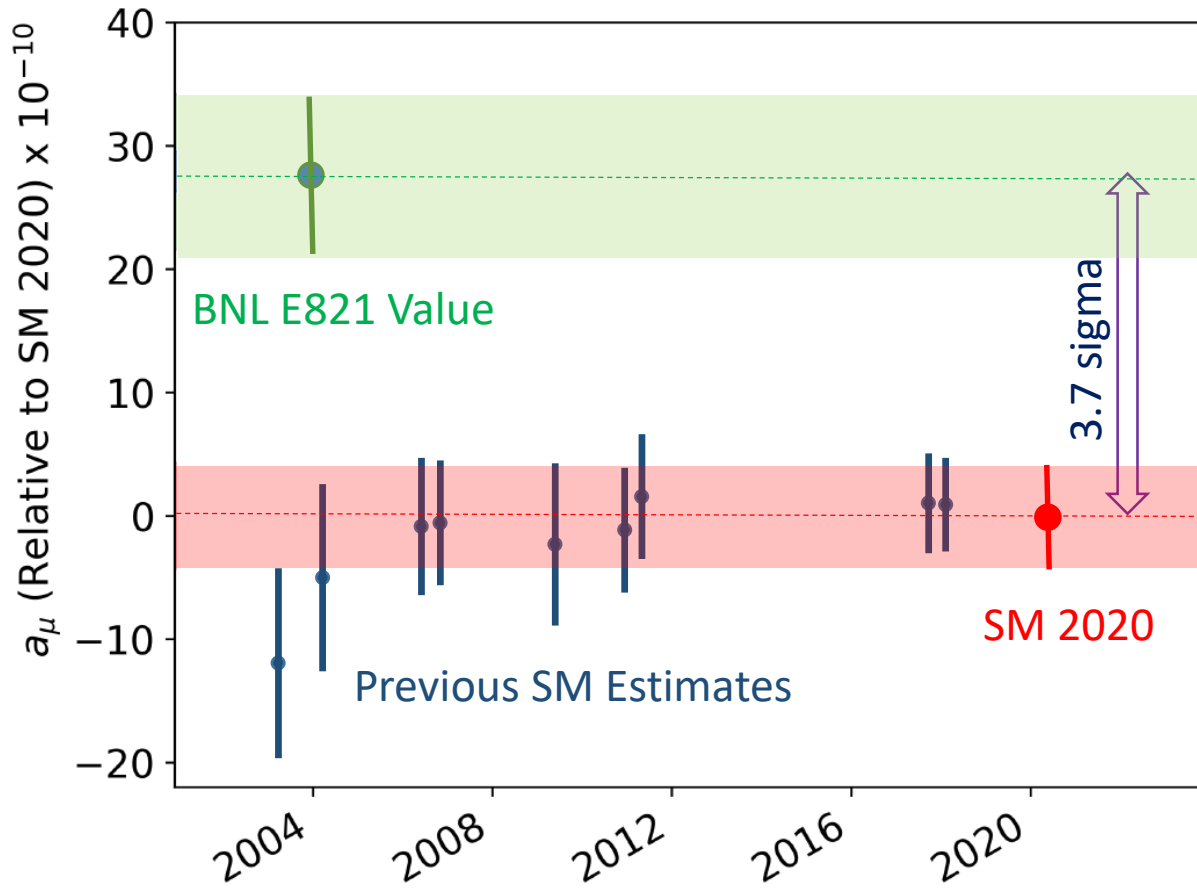
Hadronic

$$a_\mu = \frac{g_\mu - 2}{2}$$

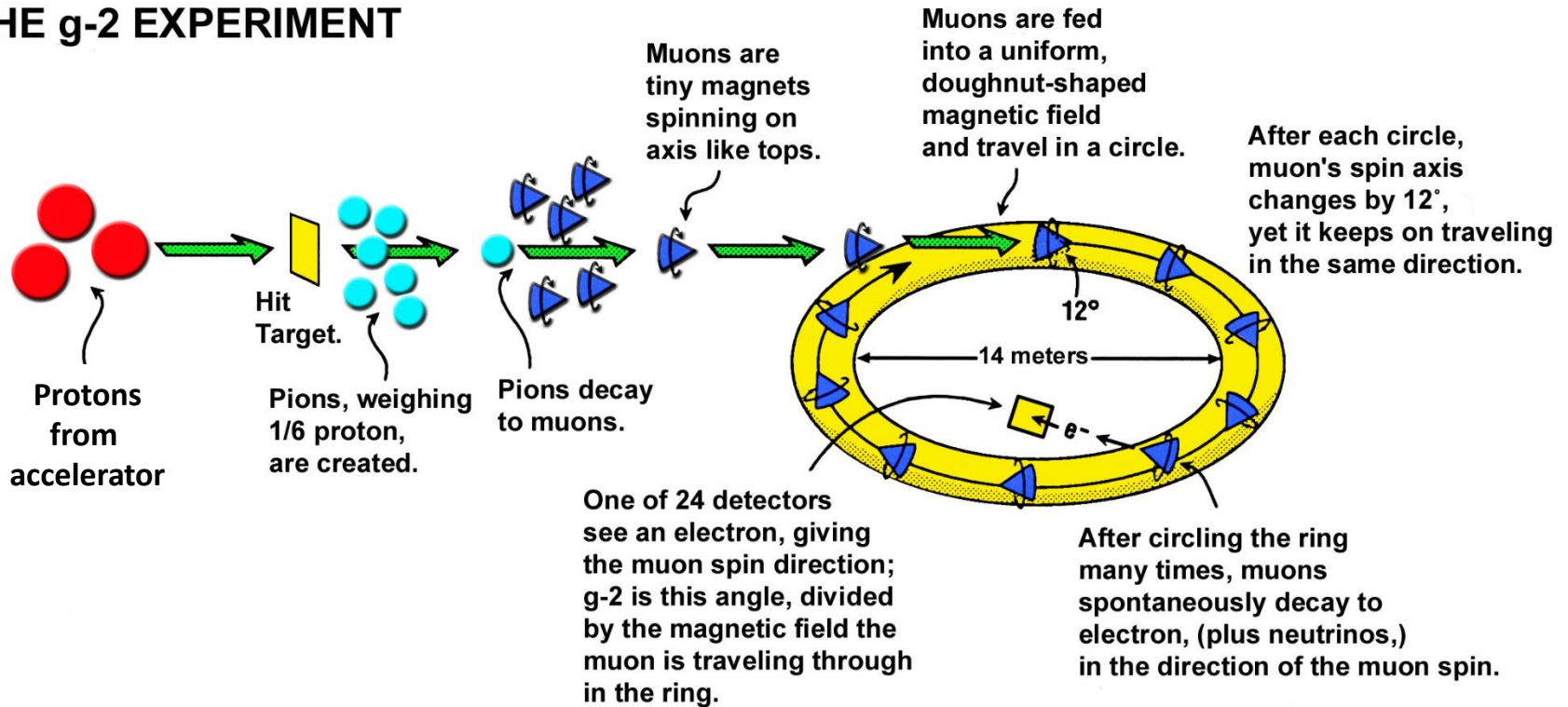
$$a_\mu^{SM} = a_\mu^{QED} + a_\mu^{EW} + a_\mu^{HLBL} + a_\mu^{HVP} + a_\mu^{HOHVP}$$

QED	116 584 718.853	± 0.036	
EW	153.6	± 1.0	
HLBL	105	± 24	
HVP	6 923	± 42	all in units of × 10 <sup>-11</sup>
HOHVP	-98.4	± 0.7	
Total	116 591 802	± 49	(0.43 ppm)

# BNL muon g-2 experiment compared to standard model theory calculations



# LIFE OF A MUON: THE g-2 EXPERIMENT



# Elements of the g-2 experiment

## 1. Polarized muons

pion decay produces polarized muons

## 2. Precession gives (g-2)

in a storage ring the spin precesses relative to the momentum at a rate proportional (g-2)

## 3. Parity violation

positron energy indicates the direction of the muon spin

## 4. $P_m$ The magic momentum

at one special momentum, the precession is independent of the electric focusing fields

# 1. Polarized Muons

Pions are produced in proton nucleus collisions

Pion decay is the source of polarized muons



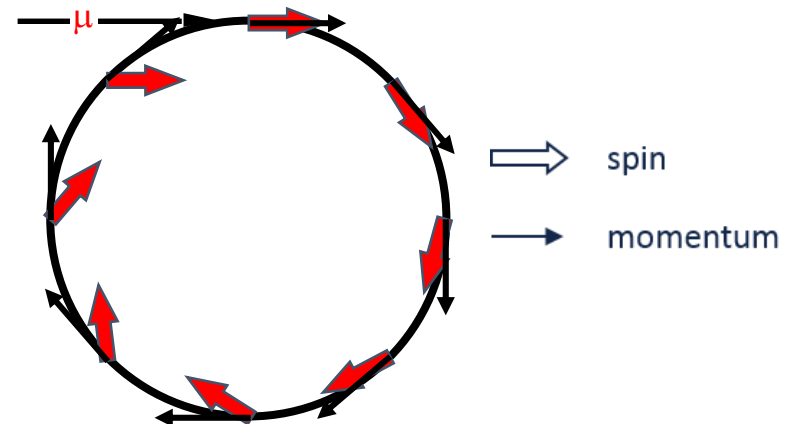
# 2. Spin and Cyclotron Motion in a Storage Ring

spin  $\omega_s = \left[ 1 + \gamma \frac{g-2}{2} \right] \frac{e}{m} \frac{1}{\gamma} B$

momentum  $\omega_c = \frac{e}{m} \frac{1}{\gamma} B$

difference  $\omega_a = \omega_s - \omega_c = \frac{g-2}{2} \frac{e}{m} B$

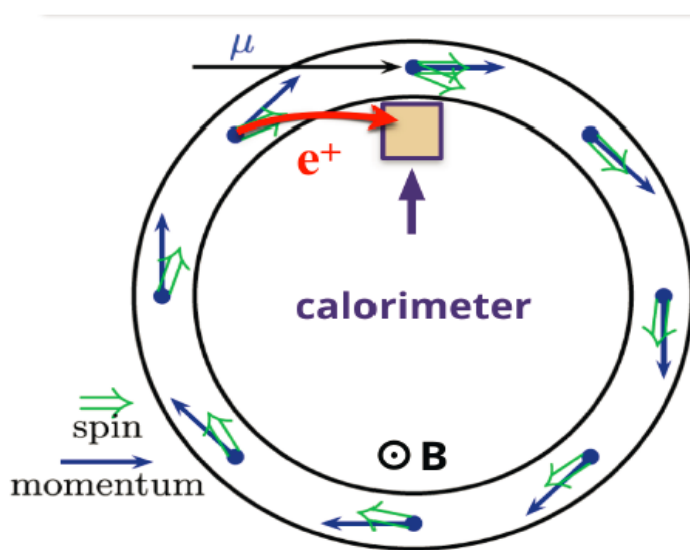
difference proportional to g-2, not g, independent of momentum



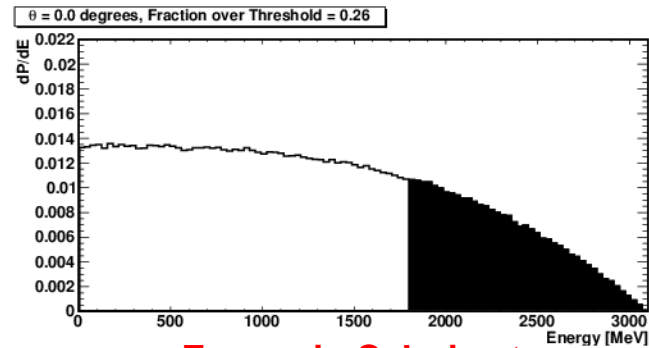


### 3. Measuring the Spin Direction

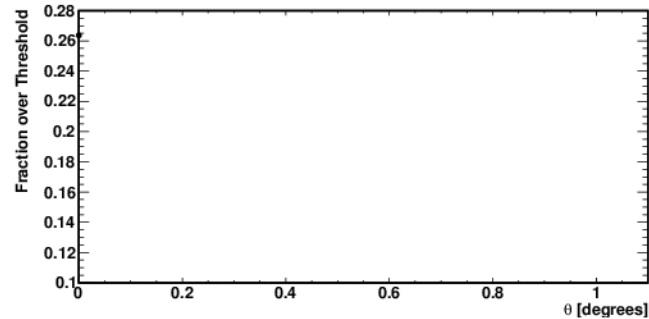
The g-2 experiment measures no angles. The energy of the positron depends on the direction of the muon spin.



$$\omega_a = \omega_s - \omega_c = \frac{g-2}{2} \frac{e}{m} B$$

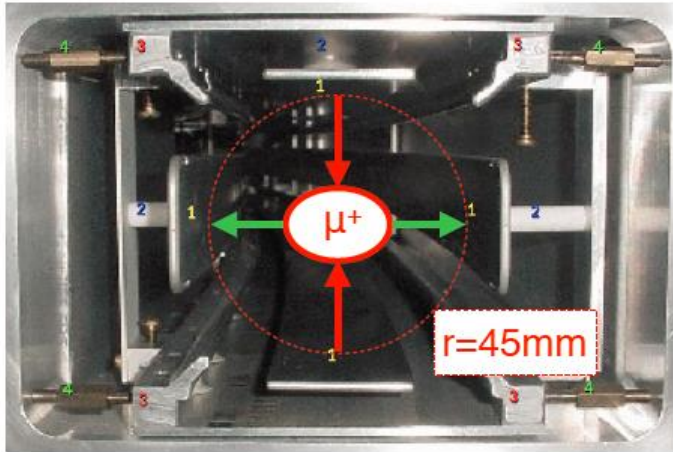


Energy in Calorimeters



Phase of Muon Spin

## 4. The Magic Momentum



Muons in the storage ring must be confined by focusing elements. Following the third CERN g-2 experiment, electrostatic focusing is used. Motional magnetic field is seen by circulating muons which would precess the spin, except at the “magic momentum” of 3.094 GeV/c

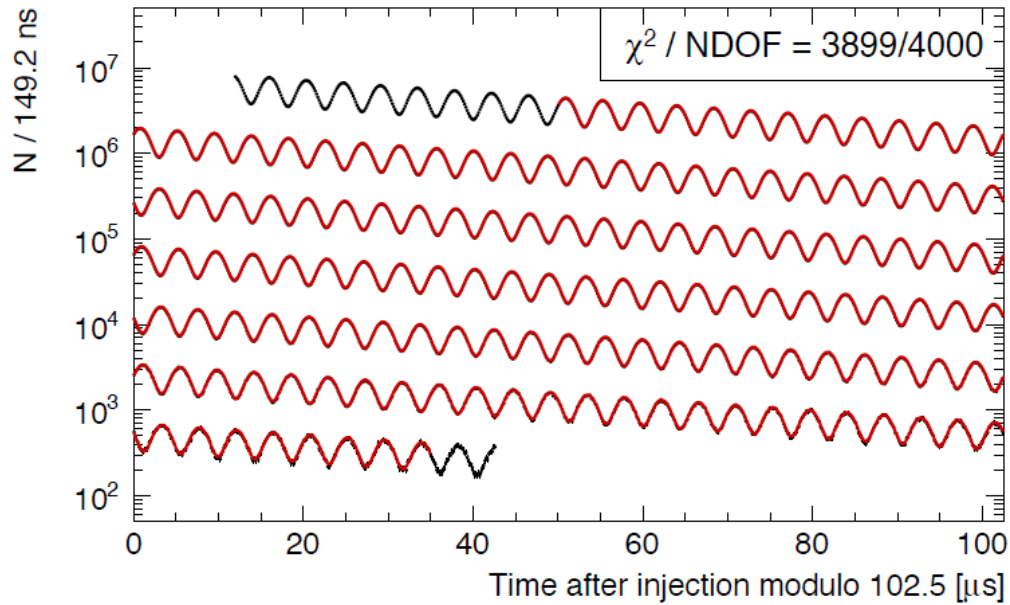
The difference frequency expression including  $E$ -field focusing and possible out of plane oscillations

$$\vec{\omega}_a = \frac{e}{m} \left[ a_\mu \vec{B} - a_\mu \frac{\gamma}{\gamma + 1} (\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{B}) \vec{\beta} - \left( a_\mu - \frac{1}{\gamma^2 - 1} \right) \vec{\beta} \times \vec{E} \right]$$

↑ obtain  $a_\mu$  ↓  
↑ measure these ↑ 0 if “in plane” ↑ term cancels at 3.094 GeV/c, the “magic momentum”

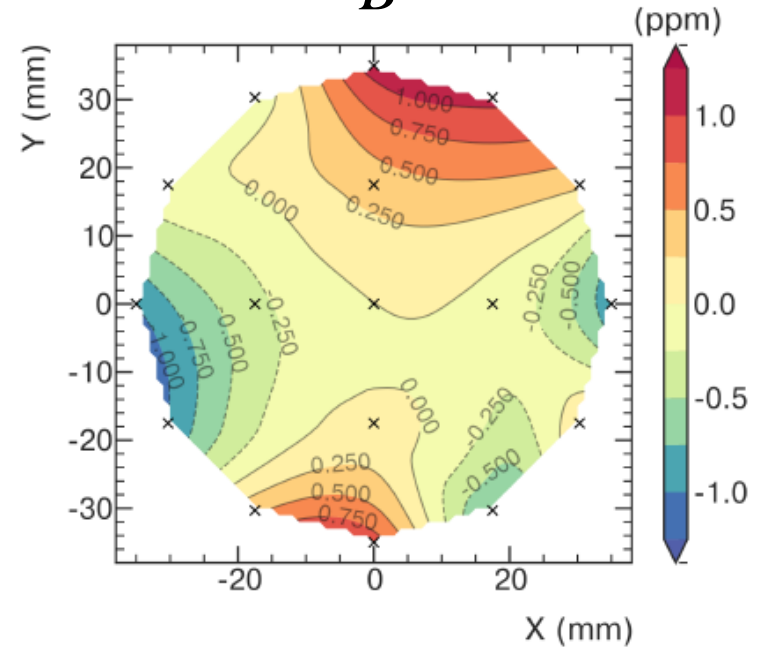
## Precession Frequency

$$\omega_a$$



## Azimuthal Average Magnetic Field

$$B$$

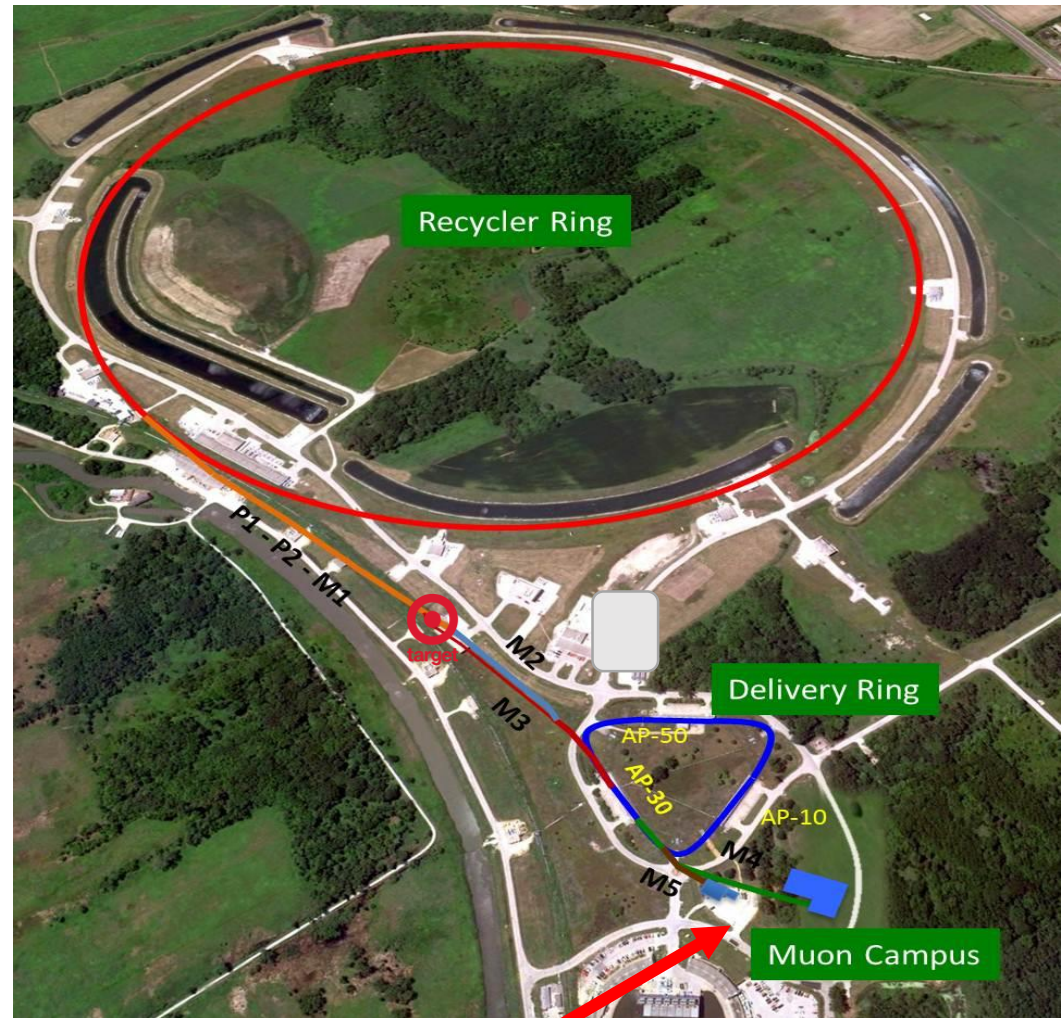


$a_\mu$  is determined from these two data sets.

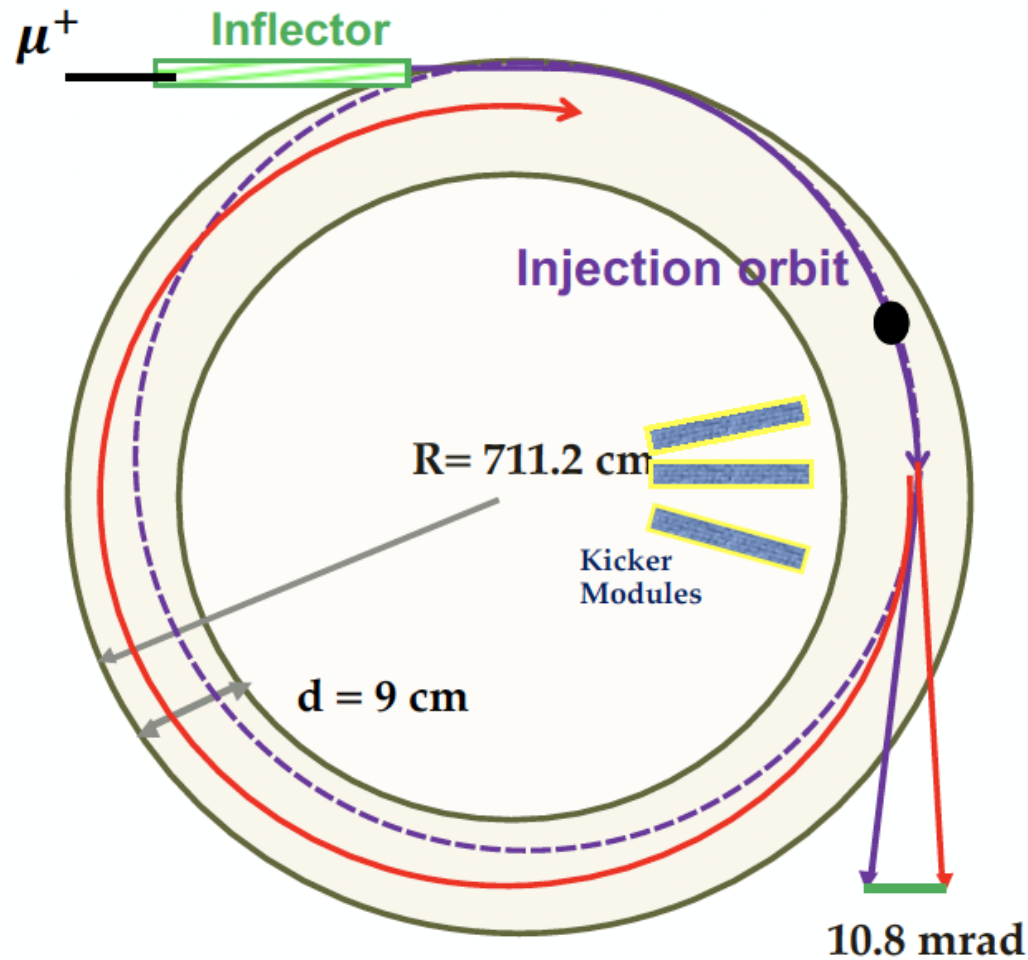
some of many experimental details

# making the muon beam

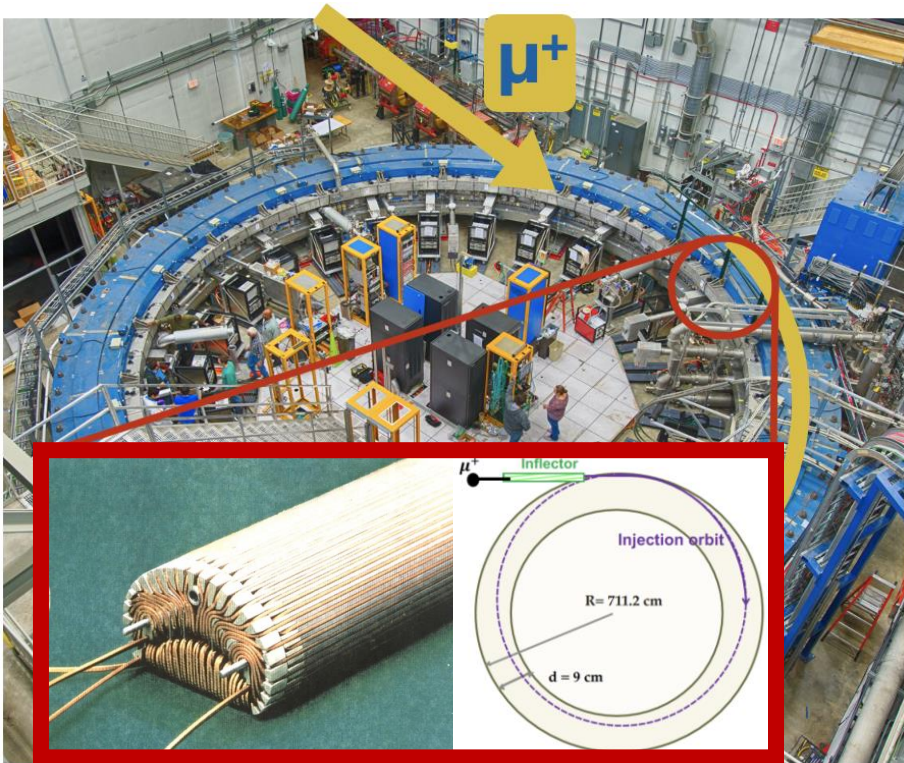
- Fermilab accelerator chain gets protons into Recycler ring
- Extracted bunches hit nickel-based target
  - Left mainly with protons, pions, and muons
  - Particles enter Delivery Ring
    - Protons get removed from the beam
    - Pions decay into muons
  - Muons enter Muon g-2 ring through M5 line



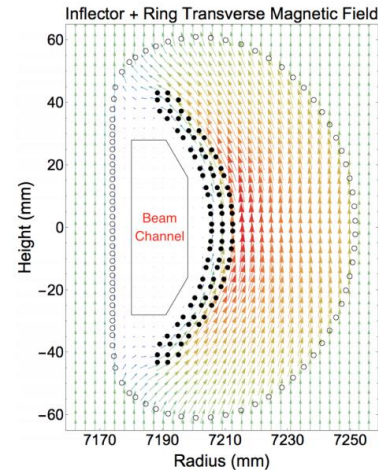
two crucial elements: inflector and kicker



# muon injection into storage ring

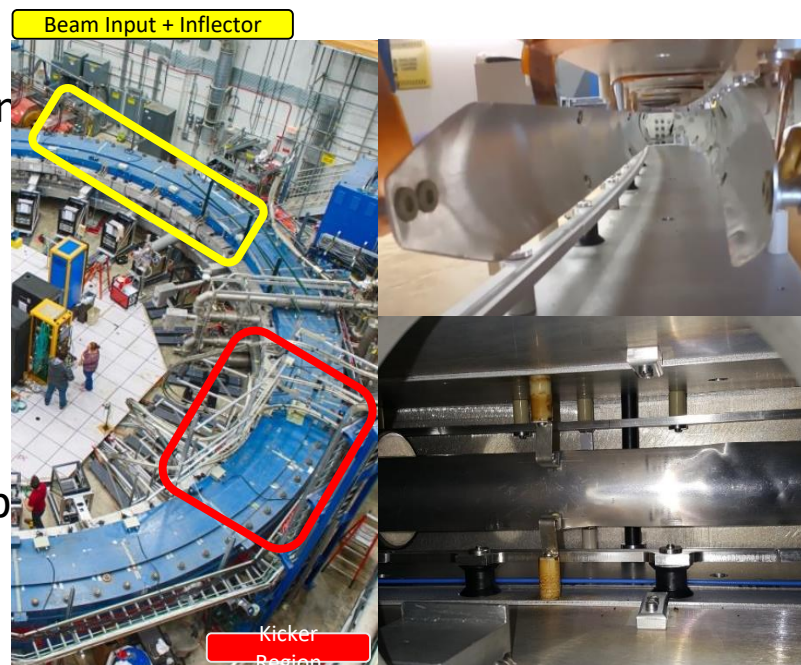


- Weak decay of pions produces highly polarized muon beam
  - Muon spins aligned to momenta
- Inflector is the entryway
  - Superconducting magnet
  - Cryogenically cooled
  - Cancels ring's 1.45T field in  $18 \times 56 \text{ mm}^2$  window
- Muons displaced 77 mm from closed orbit radius



# muons need a kick

- **77-mm displacement presents challenge!**
  - Without action, not much physics is happening
- **Three non-ferric kickers nudge beam onto closed orbit trajectory**
  - Pulsed current drives perturbation
  - No magnetic material as ferric items would interfere with main measurement
  - System requirements drove R&D for Fermilab
  - **Big difference between systems at BNL and Fermilab**



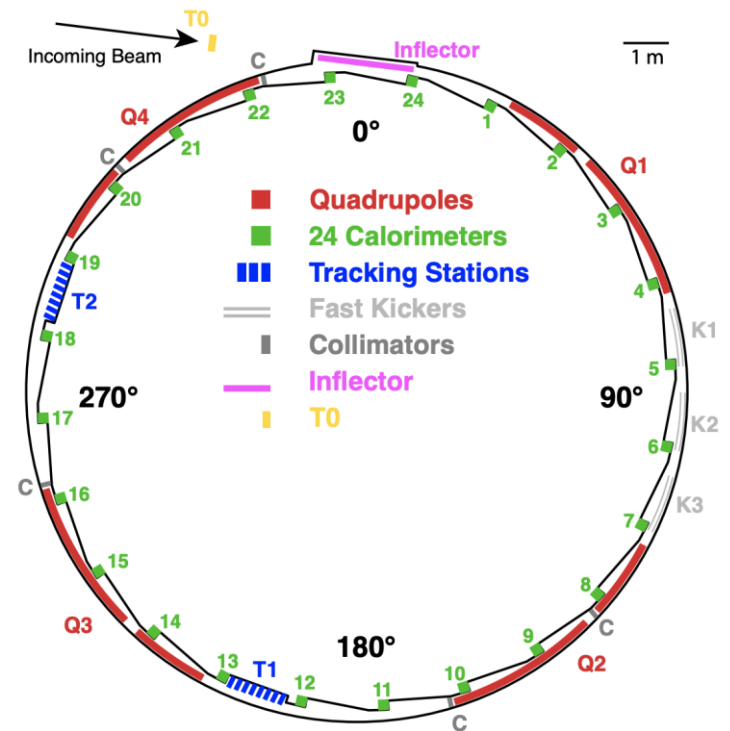


# storing the muons

## Electrostatic Quadrupoles

- **Covers 43% of the storage ring**
- Provides vertical beam focusing while magnet contains radial focusing
- Minimizes electric field contribution running at magic momentum  $p=3.094 \text{ GeV}/c$

Captured with trolley




# storing the muons



## electrostatic quadrupole system

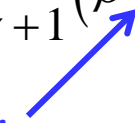
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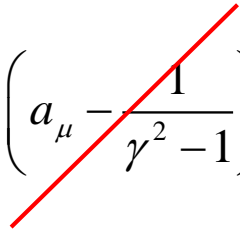
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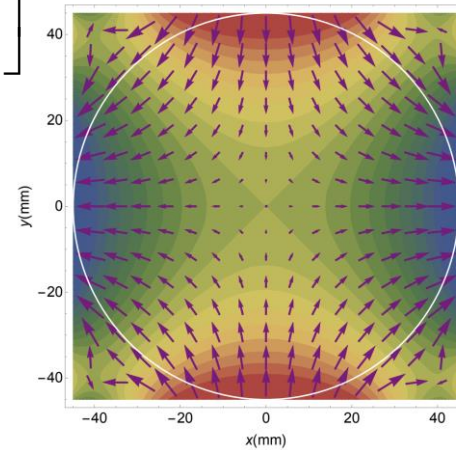
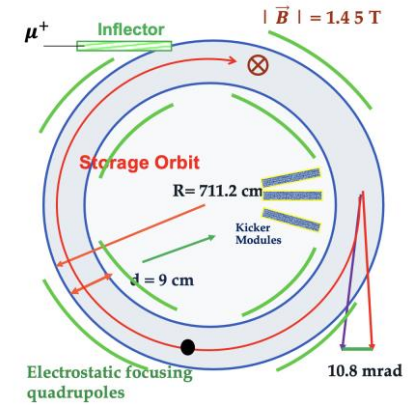
obtain  $a_\mu$  

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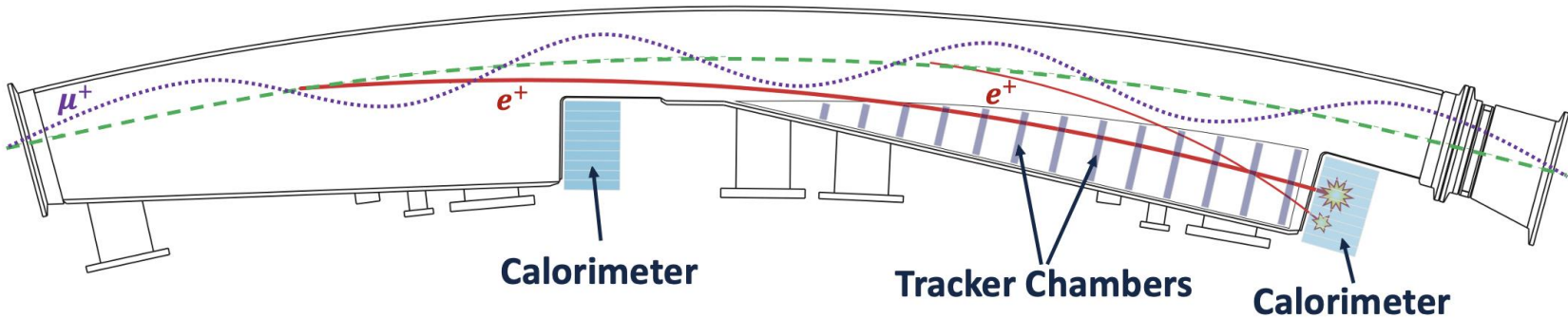
measure these  

0 if "in plane" 

term cancels at the magic momentum 



# beam motion



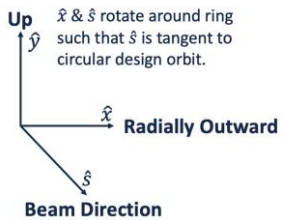
- Magnetic field provides radial confinement:  $\vec{B} \sim B_0 \hat{y}$ .
- Electric fields provide vertical focusing:  $\vec{E} \sim E_1(x\hat{x} - y\hat{y})$ .

$$x(s) \sim x_e + A_x \cos\left(\frac{v_x}{R_0} s + \phi_{x0}\right)$$

$$y(s) \sim A_y \cos\left(\frac{v_y}{R_0} s + \phi_{y0}\right)$$

Betatron Motion

$$v_x^2 + v_y^2 \sim 1$$



To extract  $\omega_a$ , need to know:

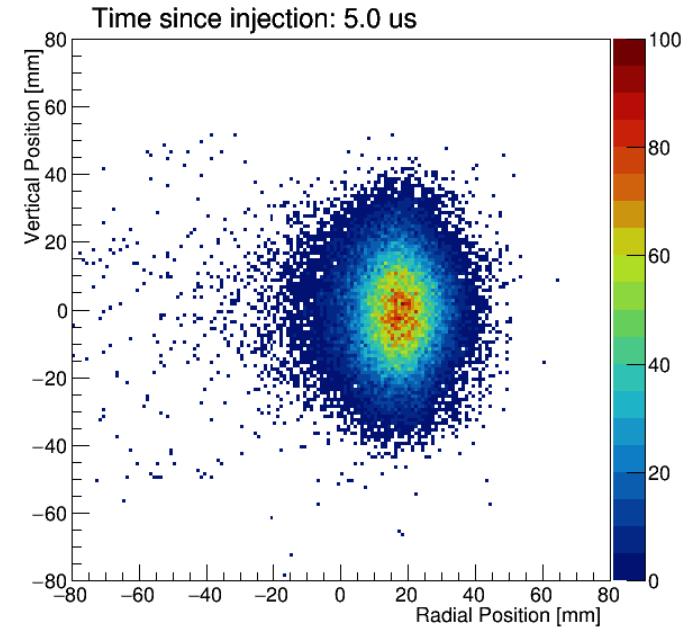
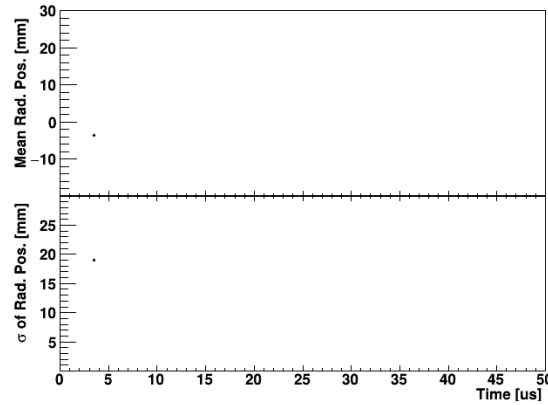
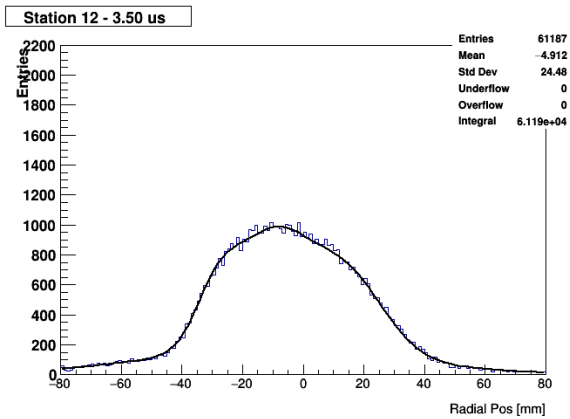
1. where decay occurs
2. energy + position of positron
3. how the beam motion couples with detector

acceptance



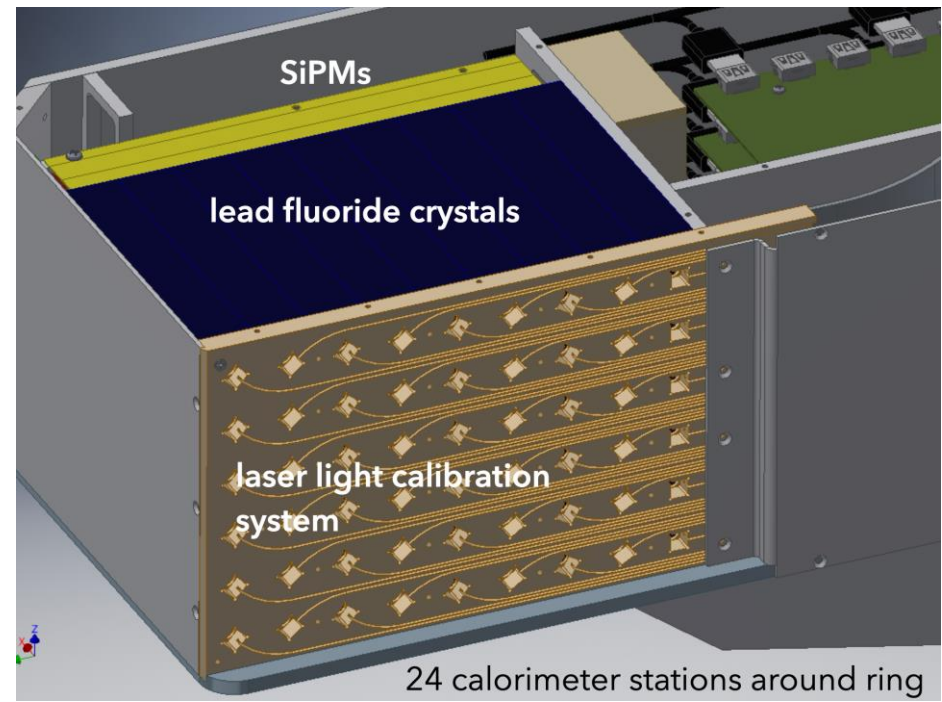
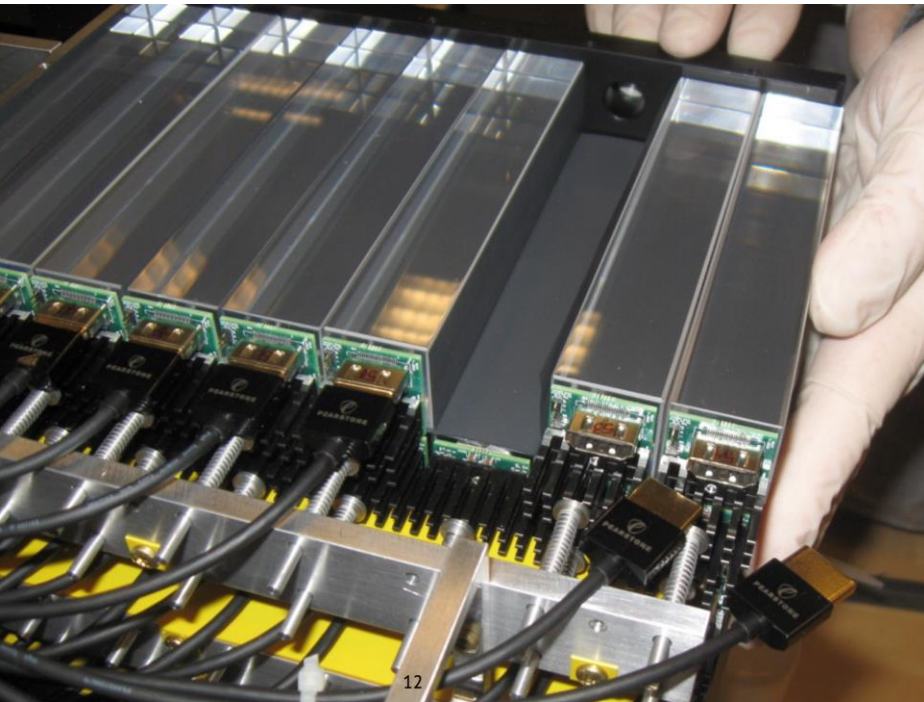
Use Calorimeters and Trackers

# trackers are used to measure the transverse beam motion

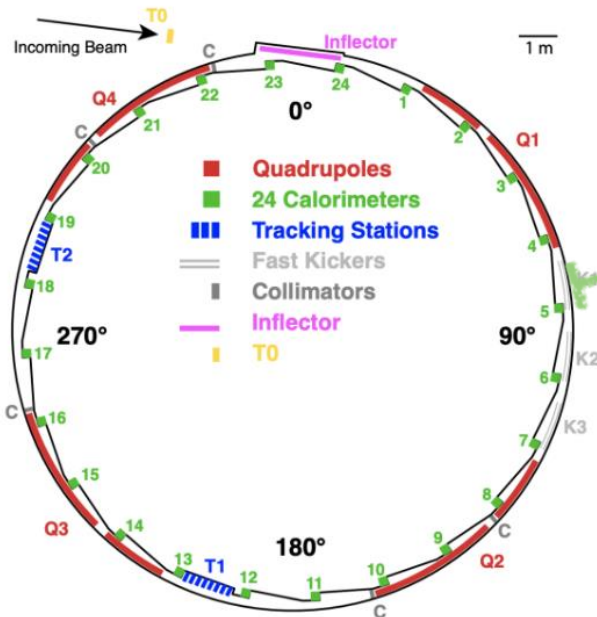


# calorimeters

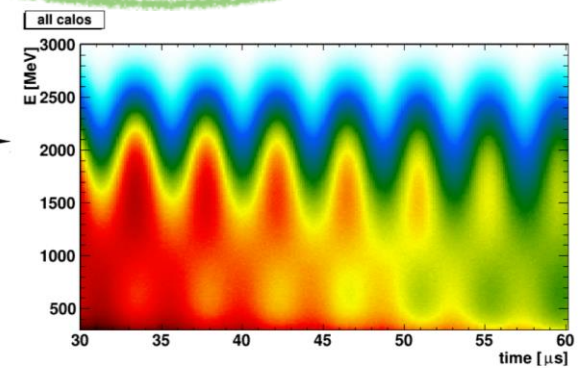
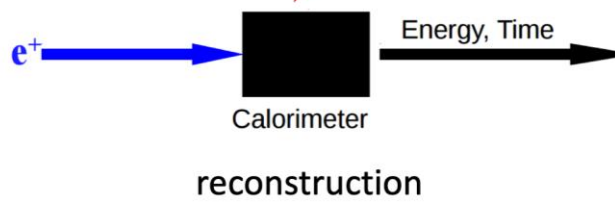
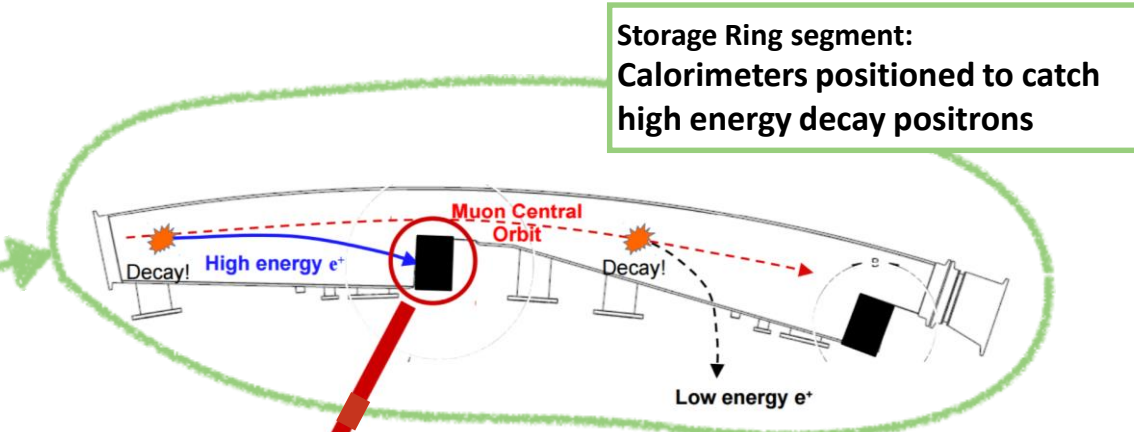
primary instrument of  $\omega_a$  measurement



# What does the calorimeter do?

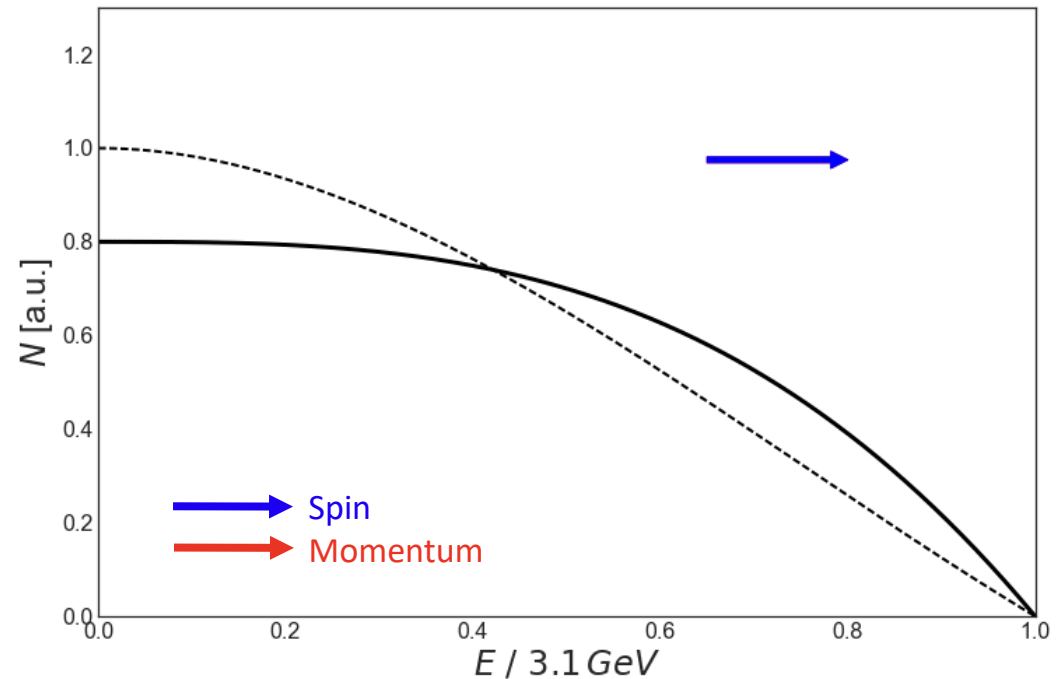
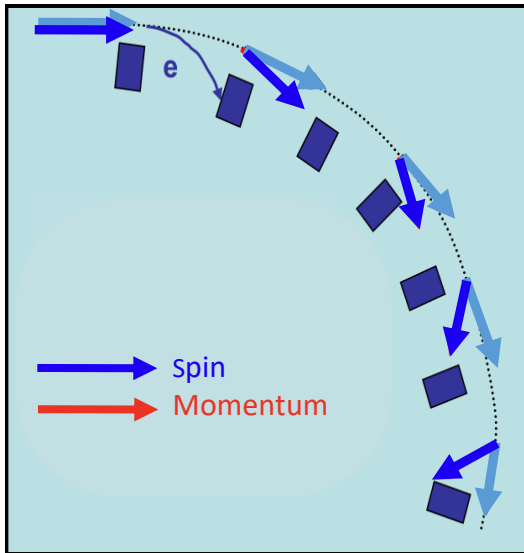


24 calorimeters evenly spaced around the inner perimeter of the ring

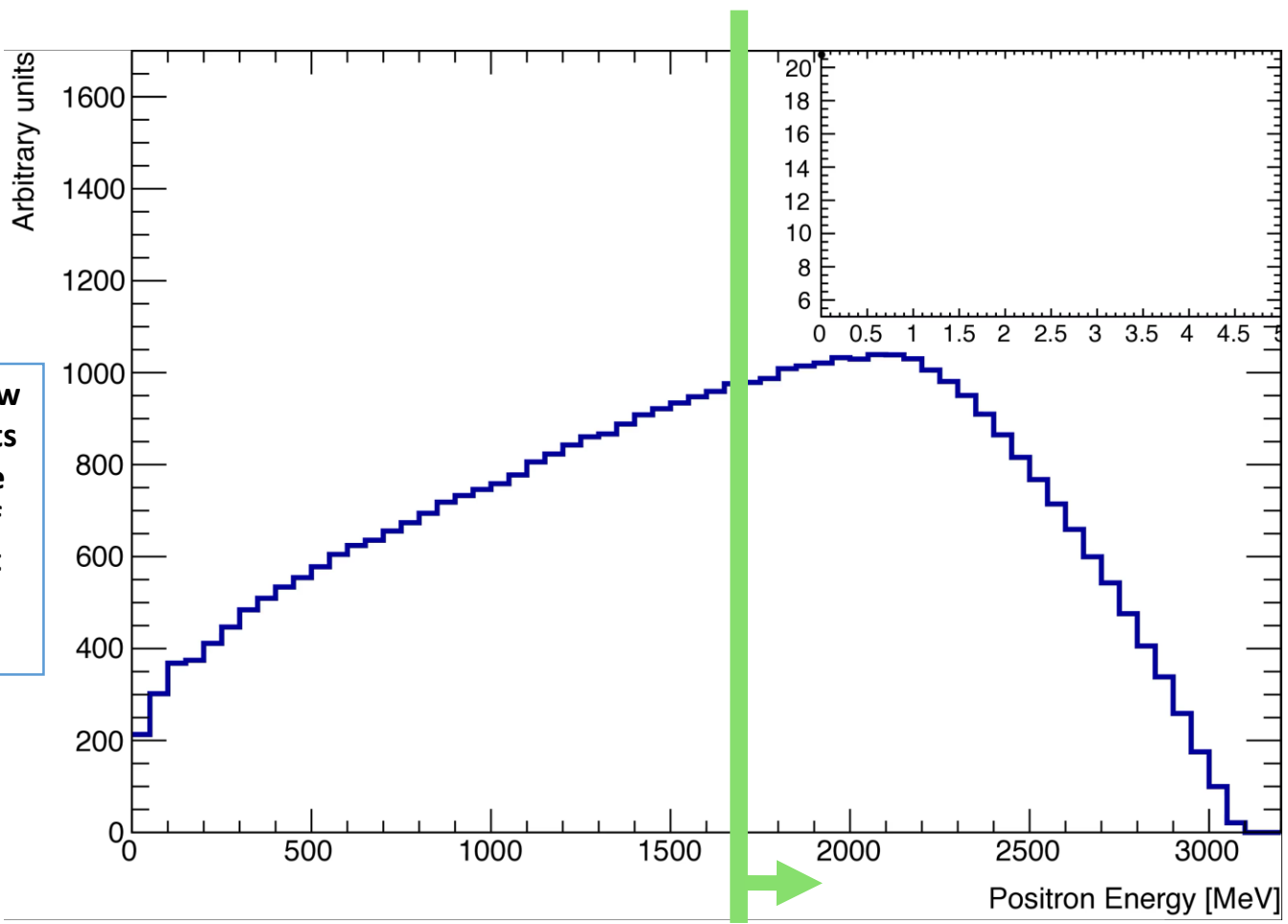


(E,t) distribution from 60h dataset

# Calorimeter detects positron energy oscillating at $\omega_a$



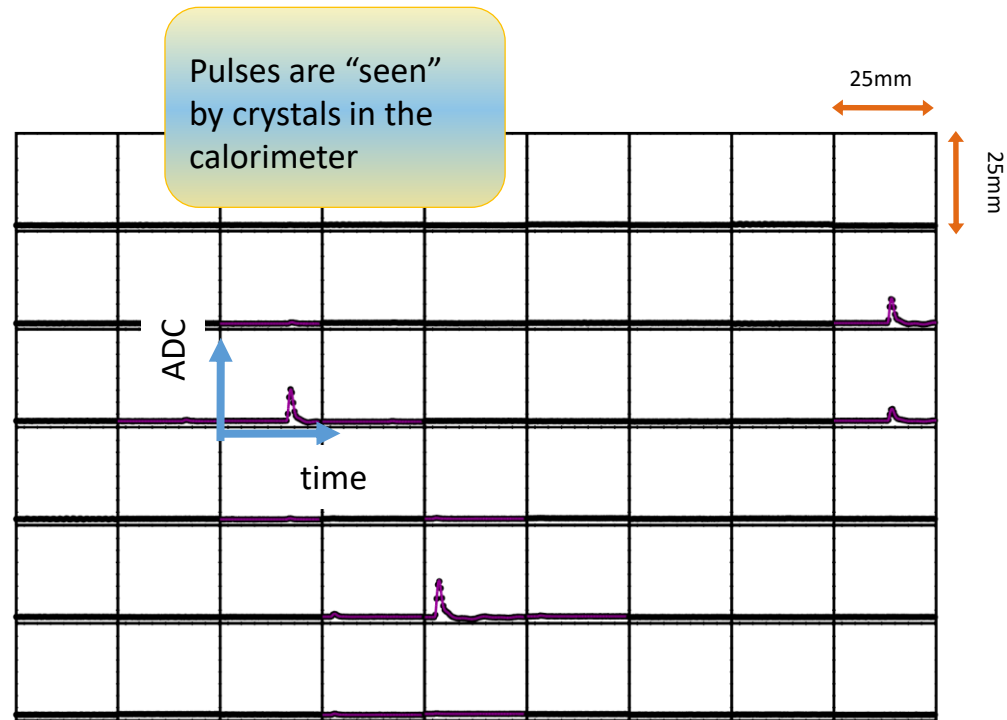
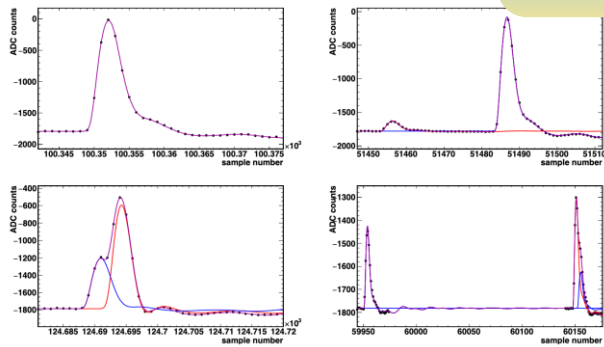
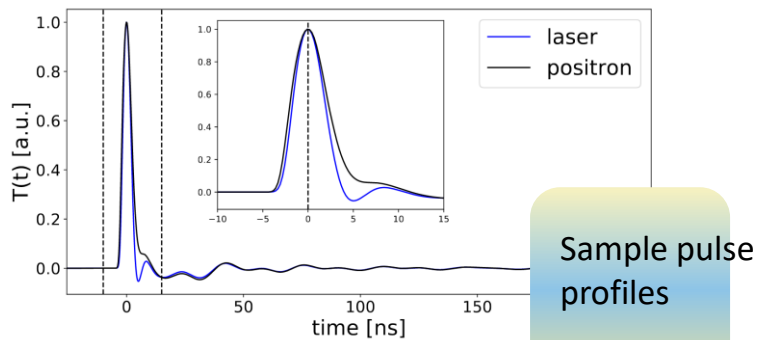
$$\vec{\omega}_a = \vec{\omega}_s - \vec{\omega}_c = - \left( \frac{g_\mu - 2}{2} \right) \frac{q\vec{B}}{m} = -a_\mu \frac{q\vec{B}}{m}$$



Removing low energy events increases the amplitude of the wiggle at the cost of statistics



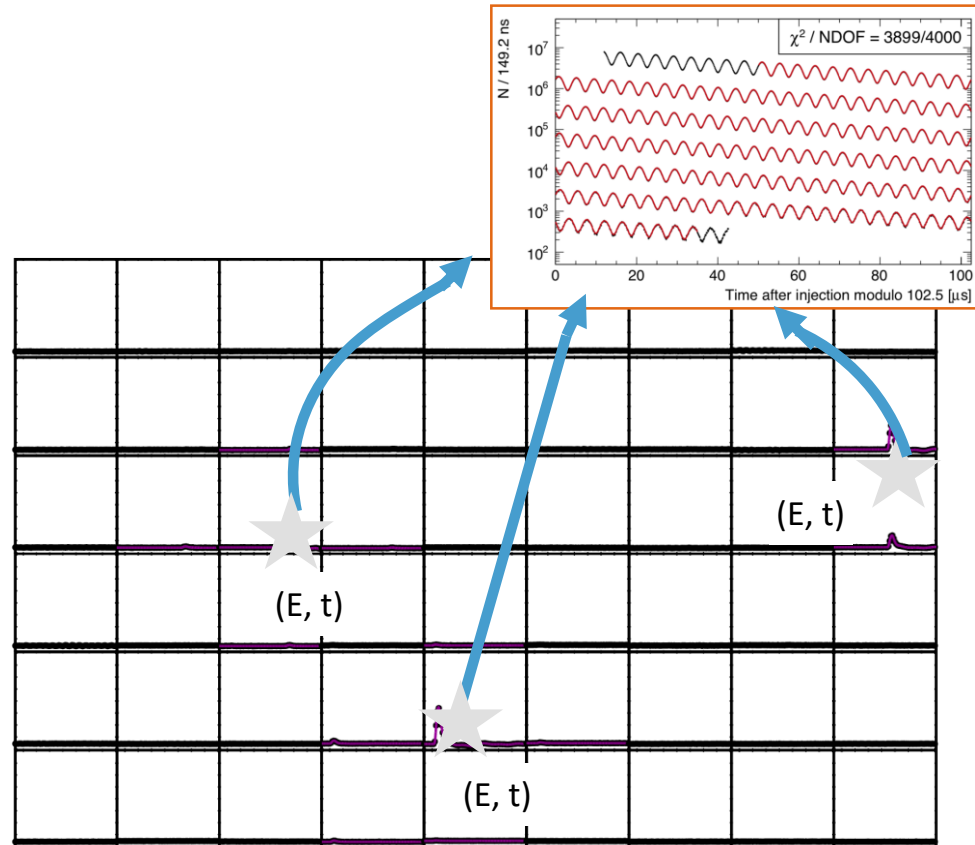
# positrons deposit energy in the calorimeter



# Pulses become (E,t) data & enter histogram (with some steps in between)

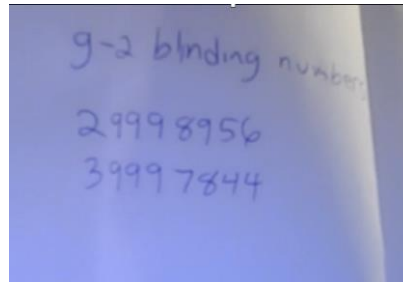
Data Reconstruction process assigns the correct energy and time to each positron event

Hardware blinding shifts the clock time — prevents analyzer from seeing true  $\omega_a$  before analysis is complete



# unblinding meeting February 27, 2021

Collaborators eager to learn the result



Envelope with secret blinding code

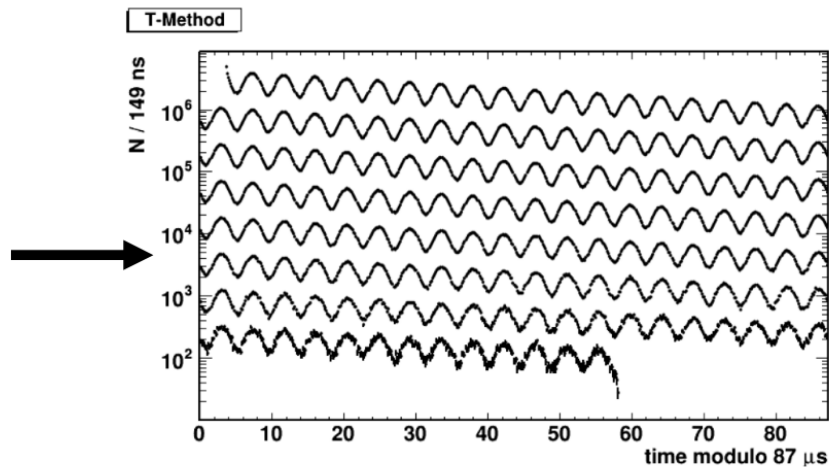
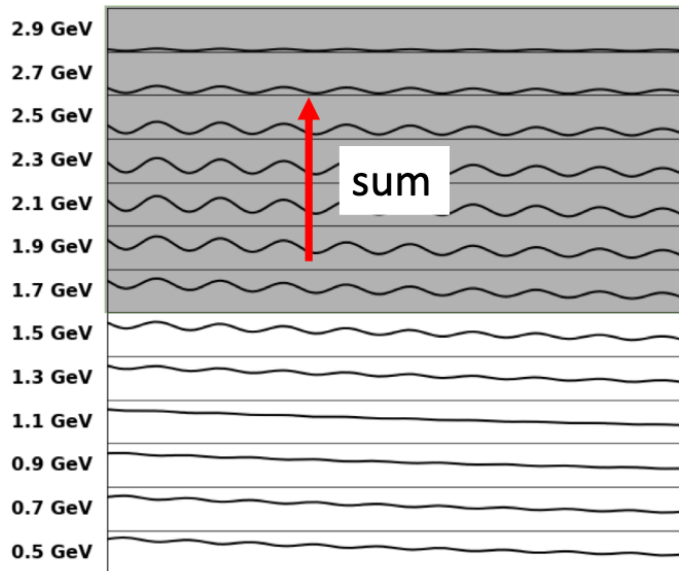


# fit wobble plot for $\omega_a$

$$\omega_a(R) = 2\pi \cdot 0.2291 \text{ MHz} \cdot [1 + (R - \Delta R) \times 10^{-6}]$$

Software blinding

$$N(t) = N_0 e^{-t/\tau} [1 + A \cos(\omega_a(R)t - \phi)].$$




interpretation of g-2 result

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 *Observations*

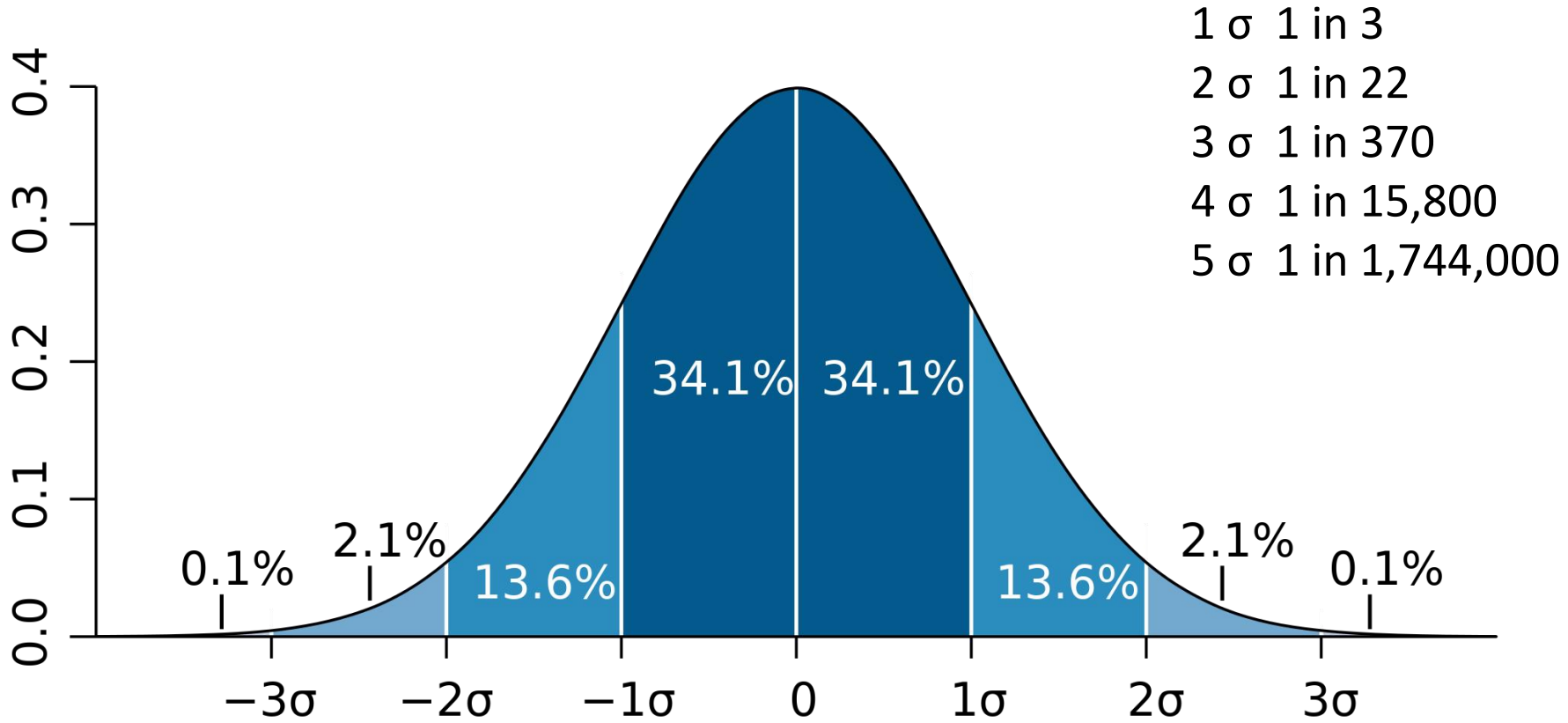
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## 5 Sigma What's That?

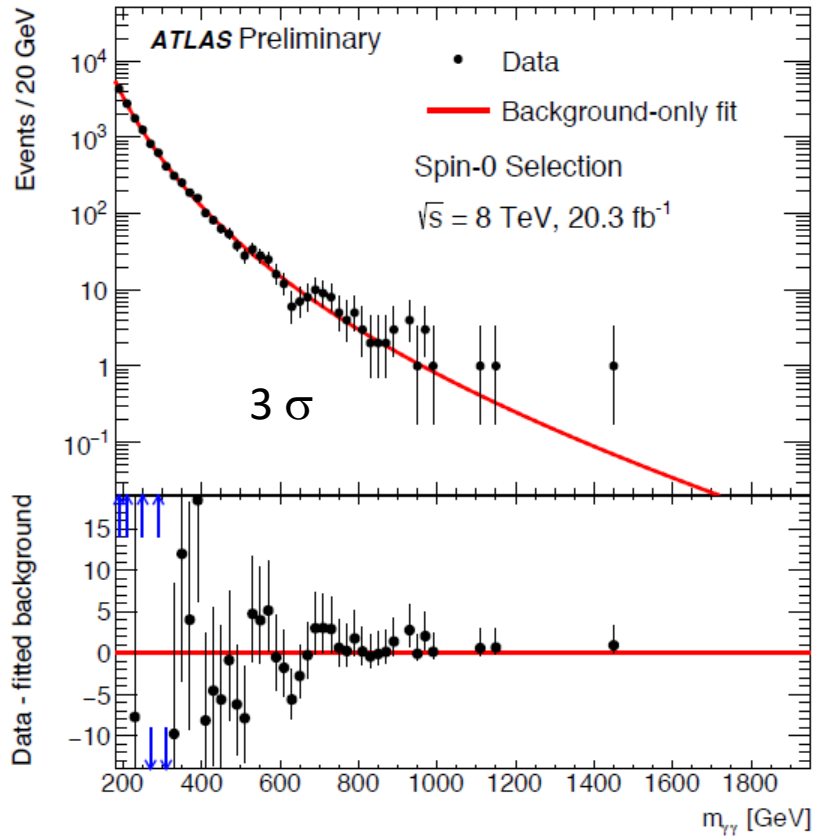
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By [Evelyn Lamb](#) on July 17, 2012

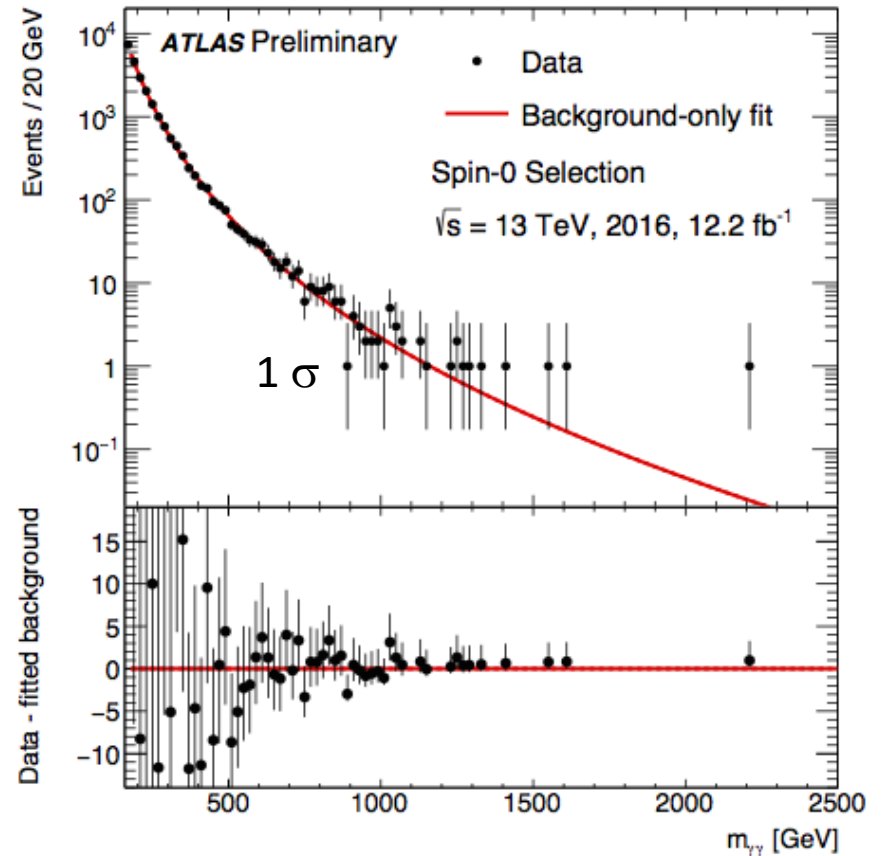
# Normal Distribution to Three Sigma



# disappearance of the 750 GeV bump



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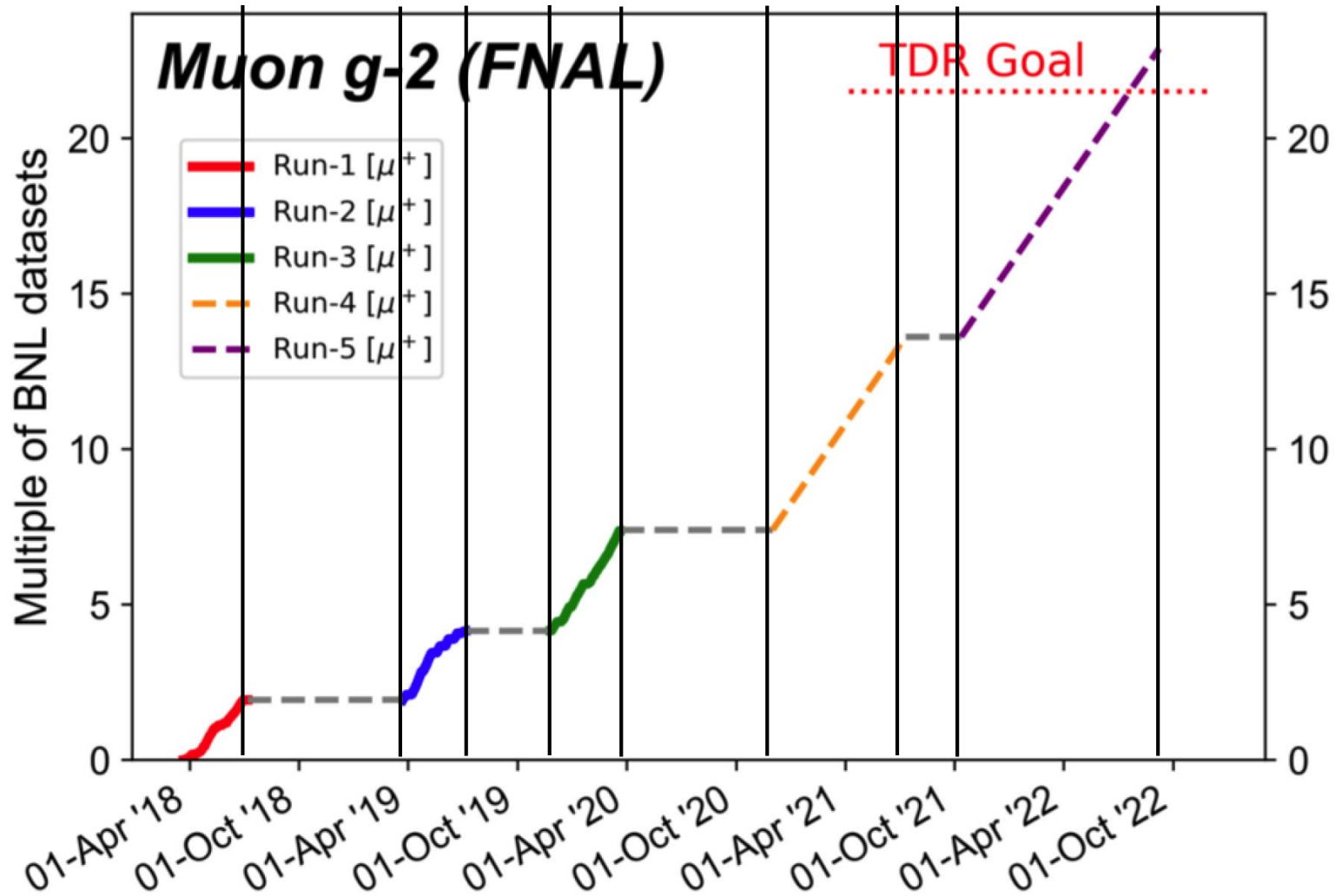


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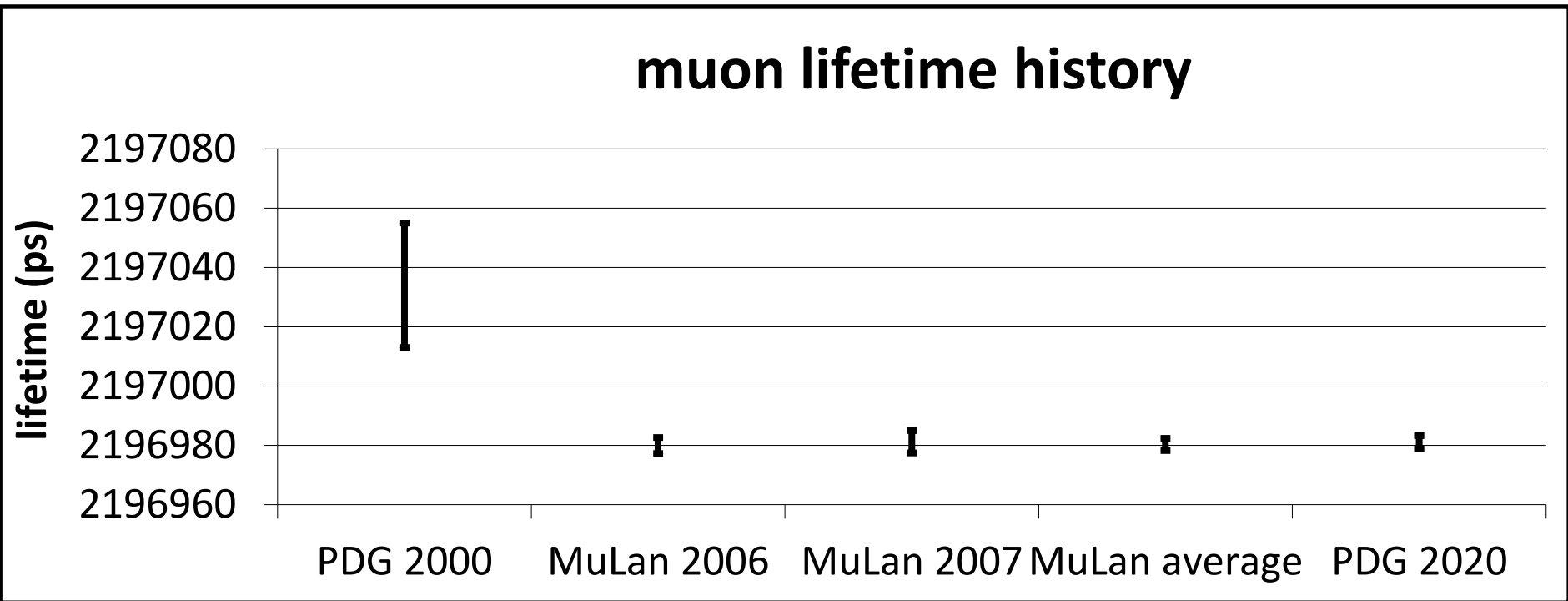


## What BSM Physics Could the New Muon $g-2$ Result Address?

- supersymmetry
- extra dimensions
- technicolor
- baryon asymmetry
- extra gauge bosons
- neutrino mass generation
- charged lepton flavor violation
- strong CP problem
- hierarchy problem
- dark matter
- dark energy
- flavor changing neutral currents
- neutrino oscillations
- family problem
- SM parameters problem
- grand unified theories



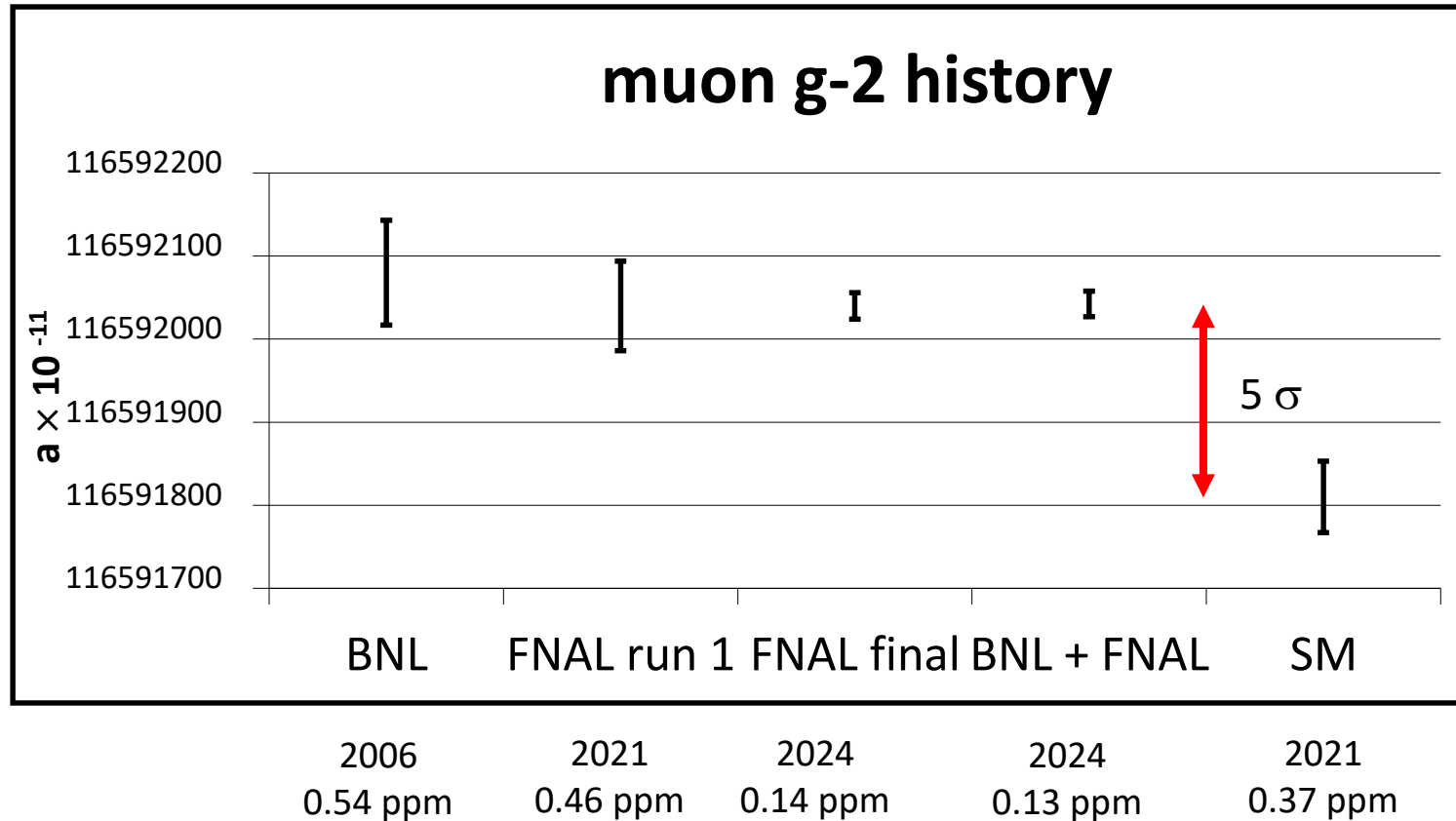
# most precise measurement dominates average



PDG 2000 average of 5 experiments 1972 – 1985

PDG 2020 dominated by MuLan

# FNAL measurement will dominate BNL measurement



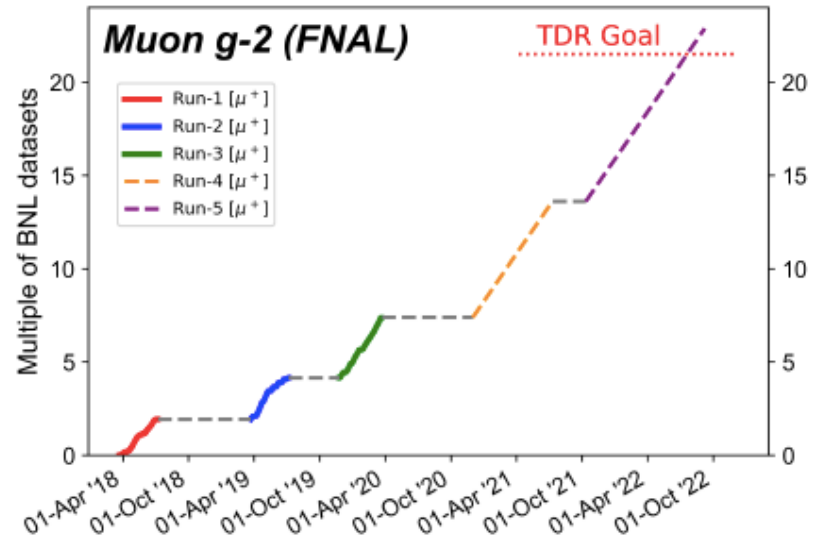
FNAL final same value as FNAL run1, error smaller.  
SM value and error as of 2021.

# g-2 experiment continues

- **Collecting even more data**
  - **Run-1** ~ 6% of the final dataset
  - **Run-2 + Run-3 + Run-4** ~ 10 times the Run-1 dataset
  - **Run-5** ~ achieve project goal !

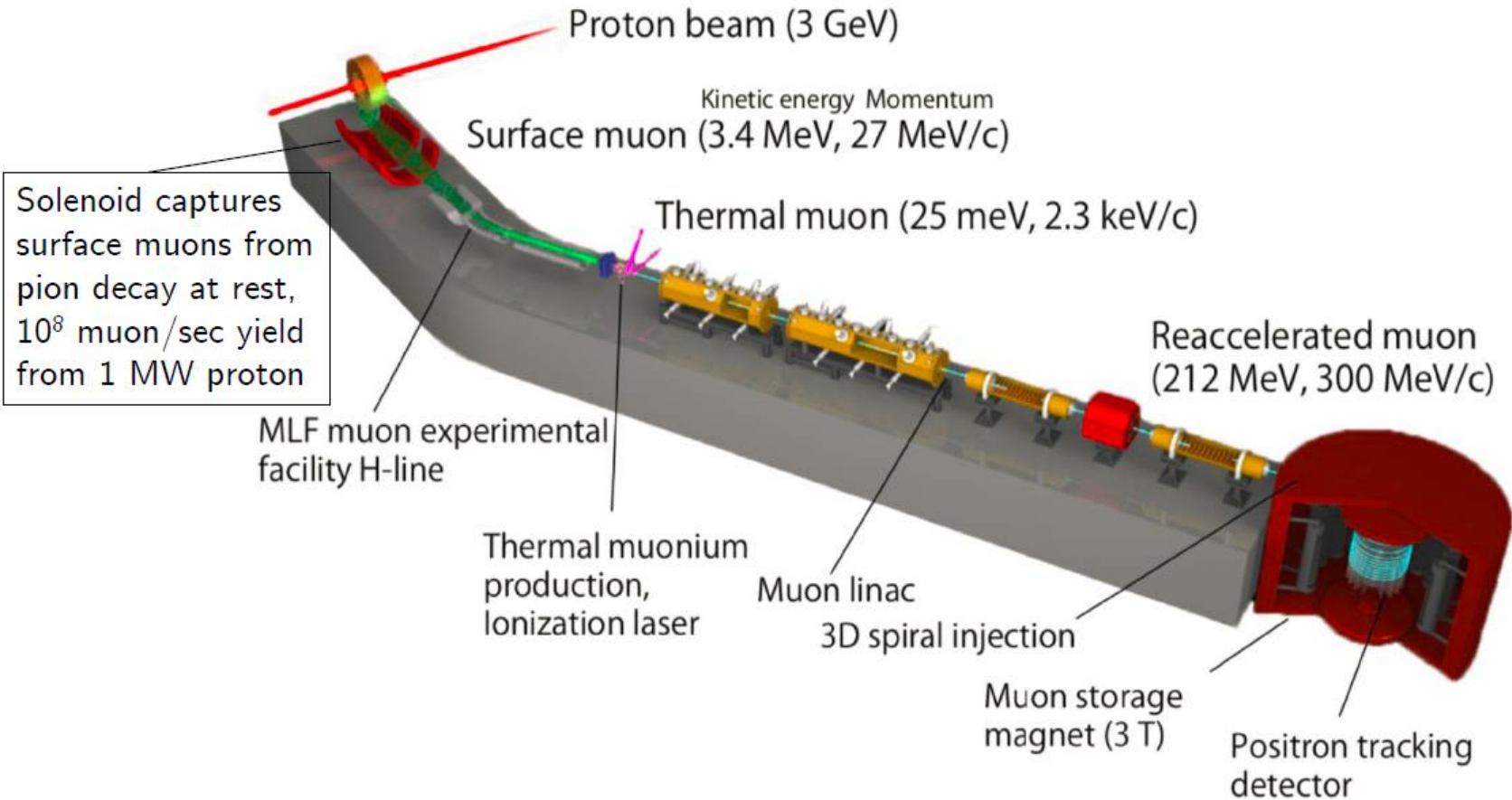


**100 ppb statistical goal!**



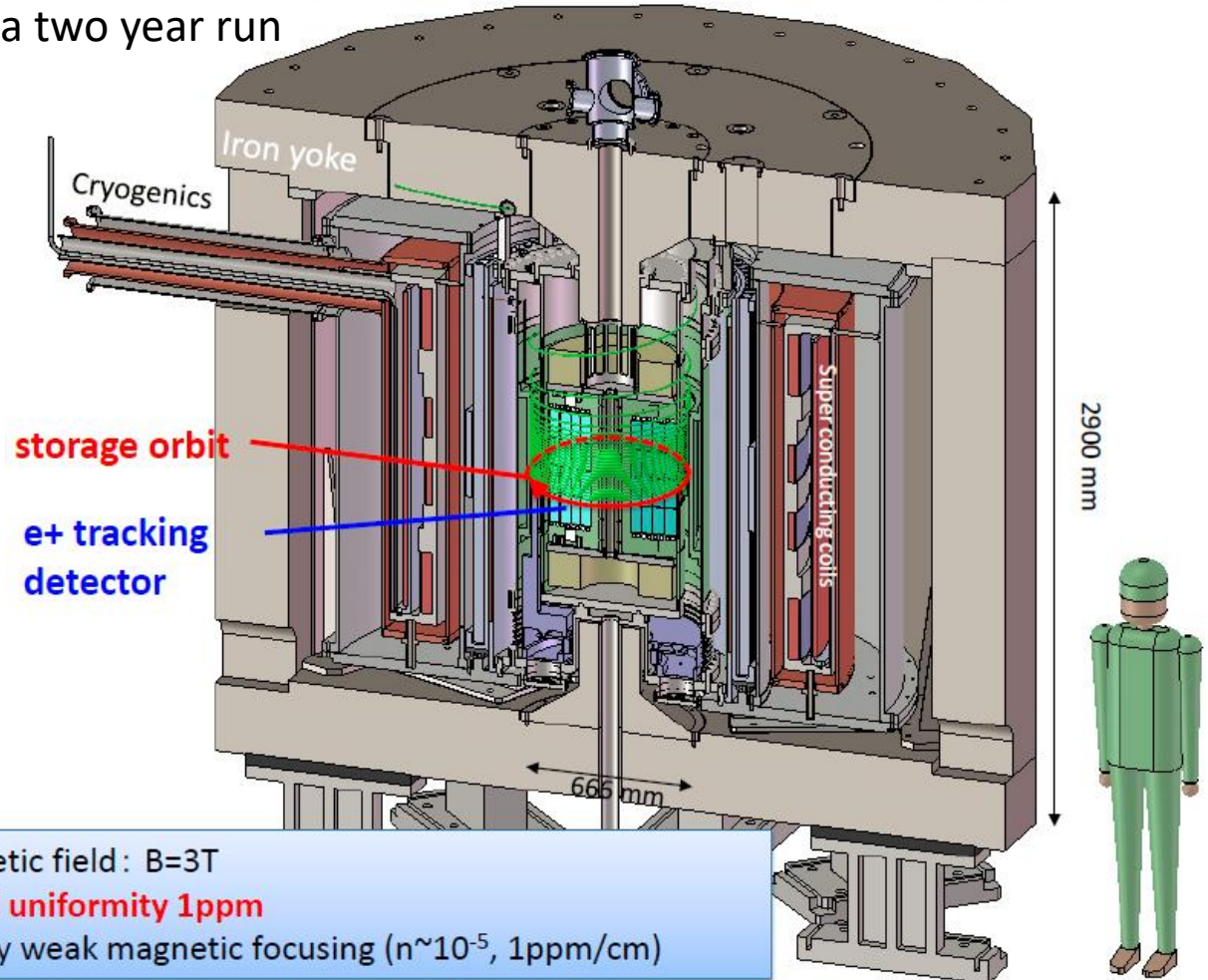
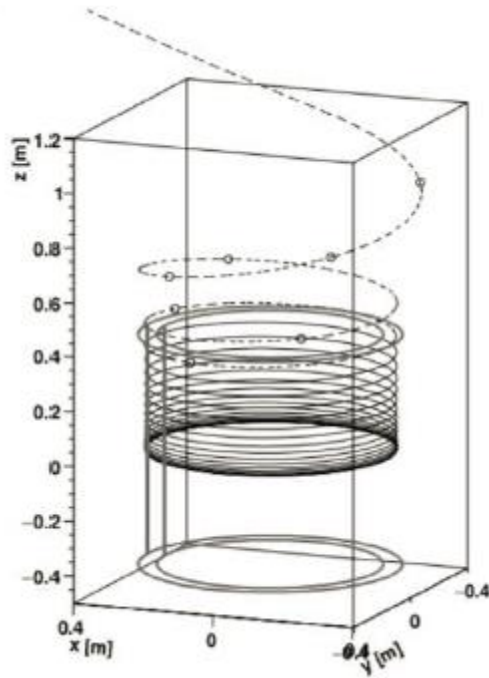
# Muon g-2 Experiment at JPARC

completely different from CERN/BNL/FNAL method



# Muon storage magnet and detector

450 ppb measurement with a two year run



Magnetic field :  $B=3\text{T}$   
**local uniformity 1ppm**  
+very weak magnetic focusing ( $n\sim 10^{-5}$ , 1ppm/cm)

# Is Muon $g-2$ Alone in a Standard Model Deviation?

## No – Some Examples

- B meson to D meson decay branching ratios  $>3 \sigma$  at LHC
- B meson to K meson decay branching ratios 2-3  $\sigma$  at LHC
- Lepton flavor universality violation 3  $\sigma$  at LHC
- K meson to neutral pi decay branching ratio  $>4 \sigma$  at JPARC
- CKM matrix unitarity violation 2-3  $\sigma$
- neutrino oscillation MiniBooNE at FNAL

The Standard Model is incomplete.

Theory and experiment continue to search beyond.



Thank you!

g-2 experiment is just one piece of the puzzle.