

The positron reconstruction at the Muon $g-2$ Experiment

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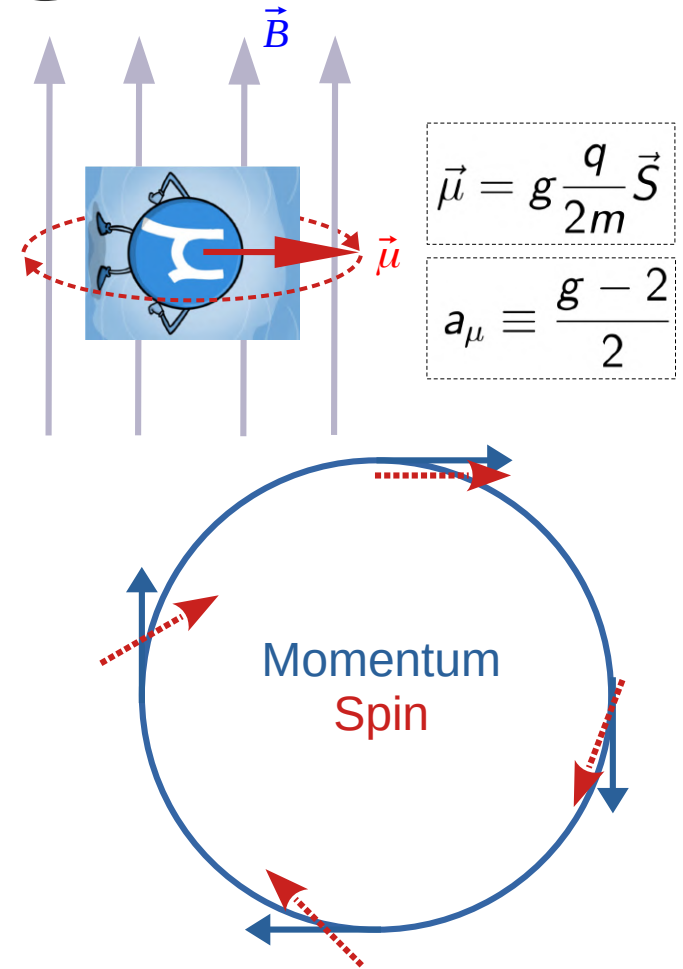
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The g-2 measurement

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

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

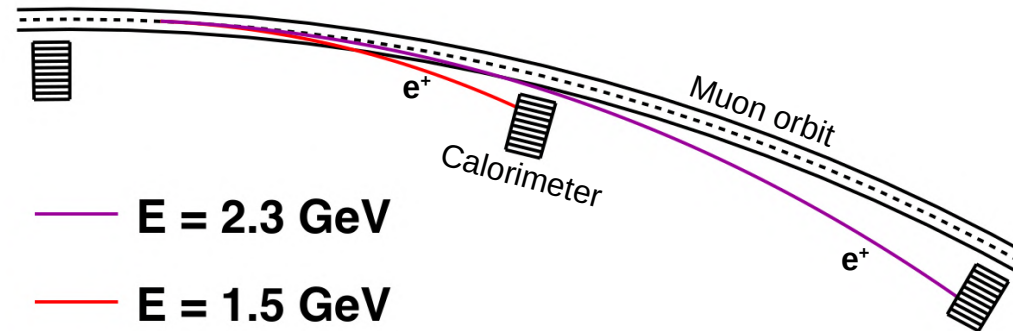
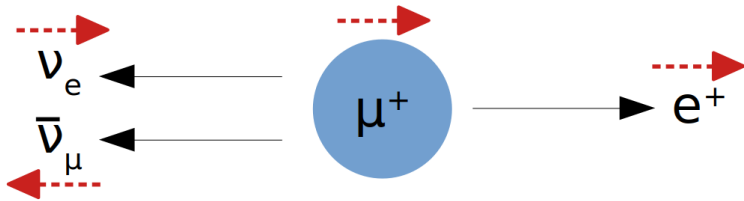
- The anomalous precession frequency of a muon in a known magnetic field is a measure of \mathbf{a}_μ
- Magnetic field measured in terms of the Larmor precession of protons with NMR probes
- Experiment goal: **140 ppb** (100 stat, 100 syst)



$$\vec{\omega}_a = a_\mu \frac{e\vec{B}}{m} \longrightarrow a_\mu = \frac{\omega_a}{\tilde{\omega}'_p(T_r)} \left[\frac{\mu'_p(T_r)}{\mu_e} \frac{m_\mu}{m_e} \frac{g_e}{2} \right]$$

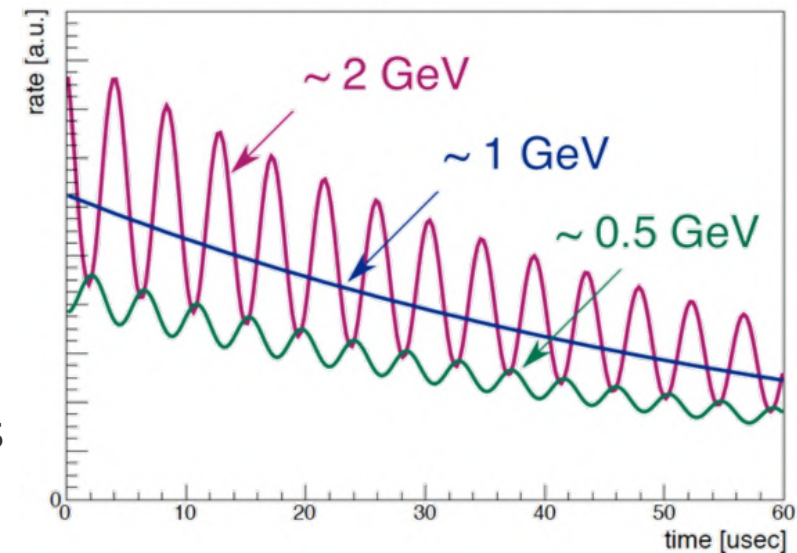
Constants known from other experiments with high precision (25 ppb)

Precession measurement



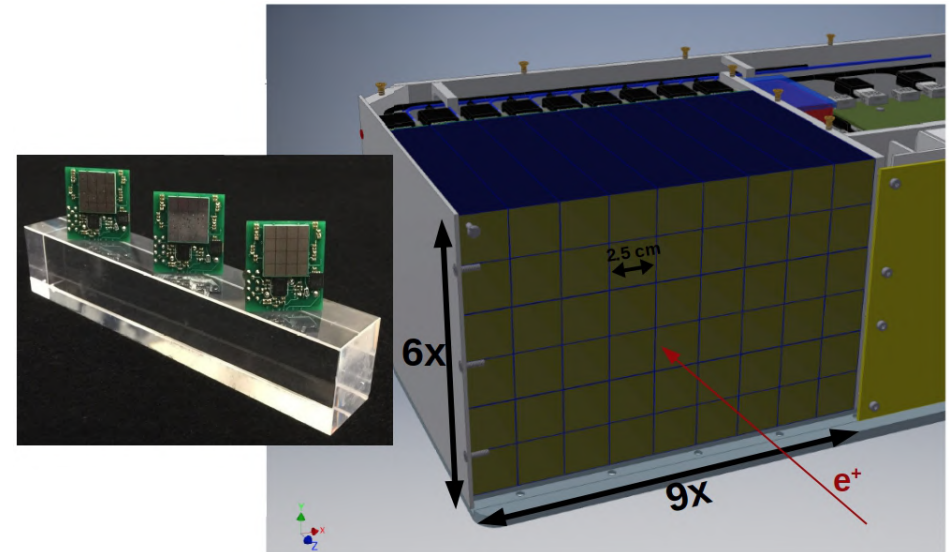
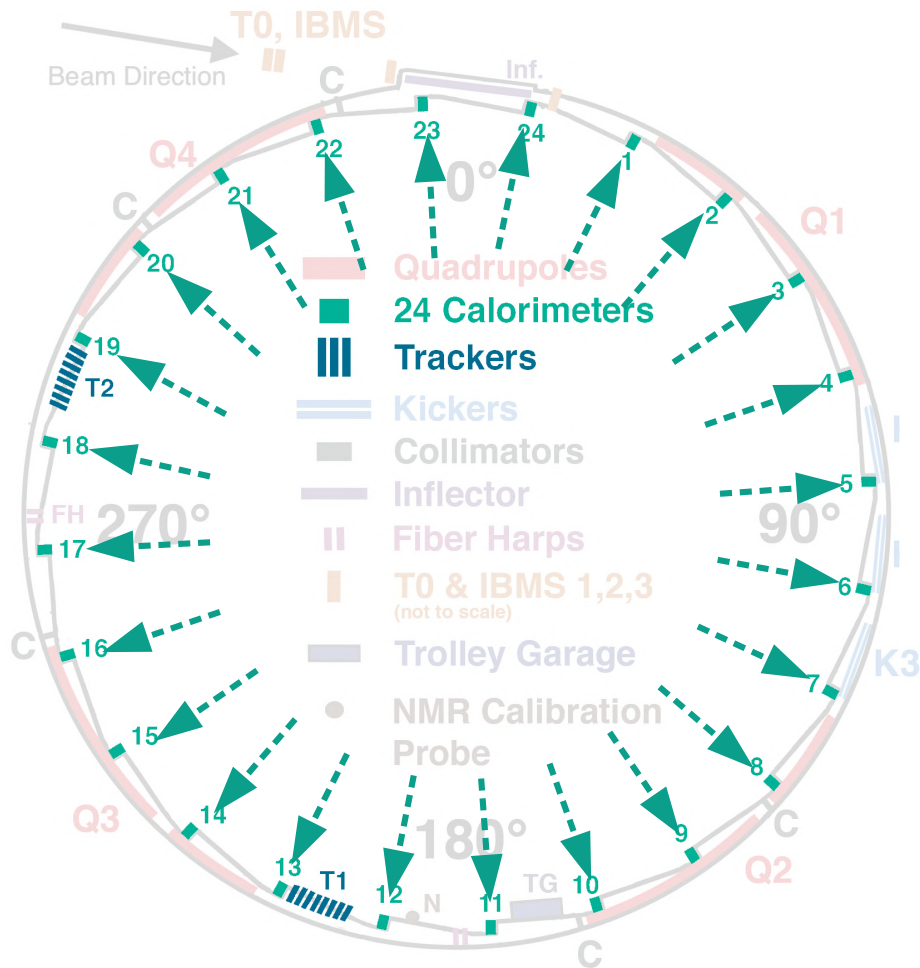
- 3.1 GeV/c polarized muon beam
- Parity violation in weak decay \rightarrow high energy positrons in the c.m. frame are emitted preferably in the direction of muon spin
- Positrons ($p \leq 3.1$ GeV/c) curl inward and hit a calorimeter
- Decay **asymmetry** observed in the lab frame as an oscillation of the positron count over time

$$N(t) = N_0 e^{-t/\tau} (1 + A \cos(\omega_a t + \varphi))$$



Calorimeters

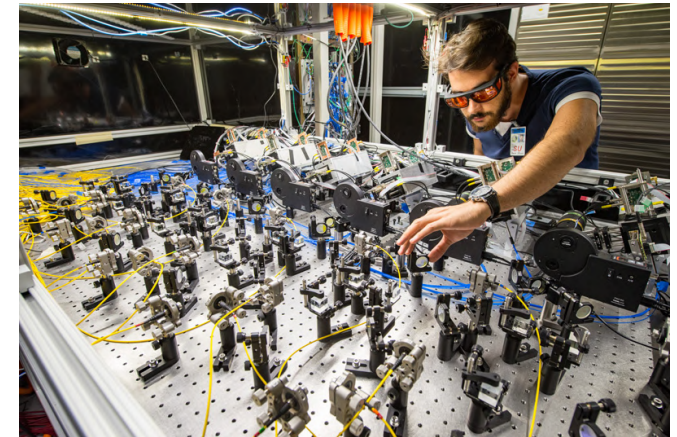
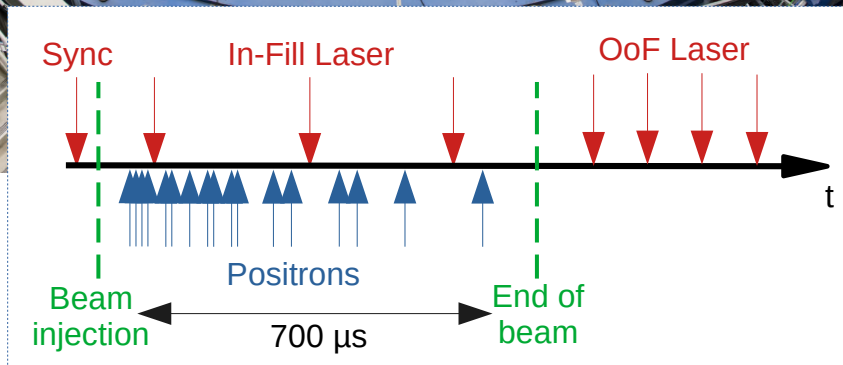
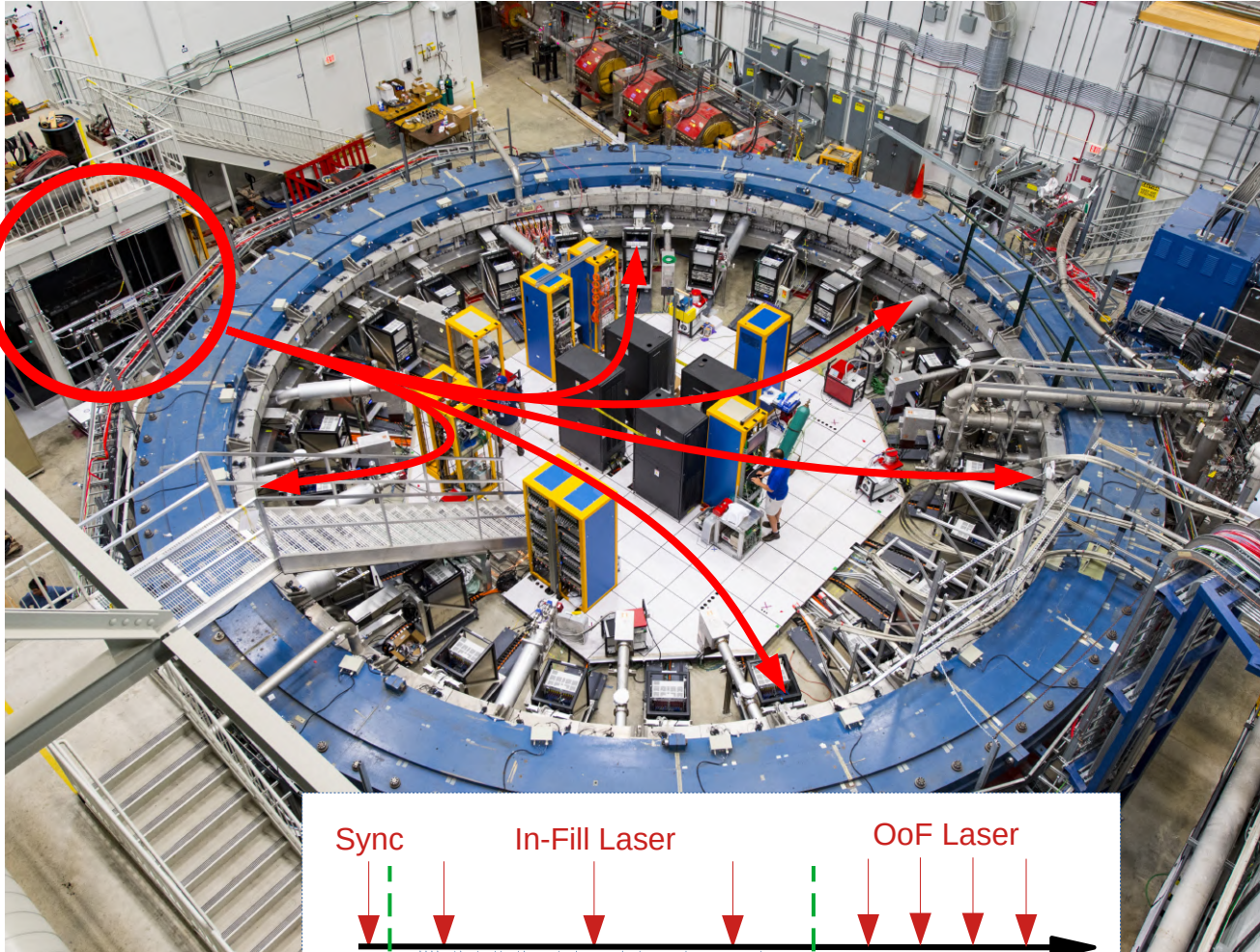
- 24 electromagnetic **calorimeters** for positron energy and time measurement
- 9x6 PbF₂ crystals (15X₀ length) coupled with Hamamatsu SiPMs of 144 mm² active size (57344 pixels each)
- SiPMs collect Čerenkov light from the positrons EM shower
- Waveforms sampled at 800 MSps, with online GPU-based trigger



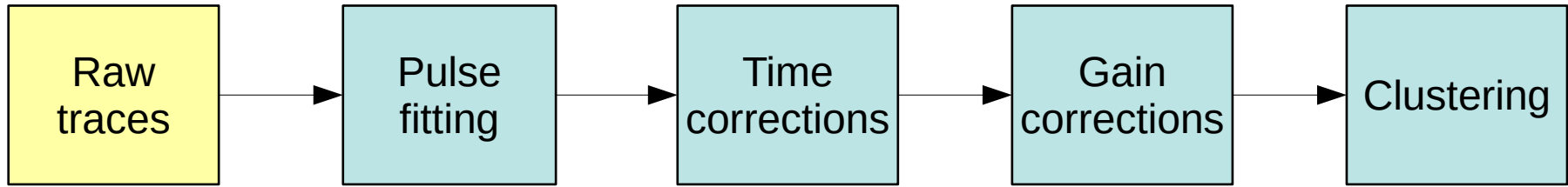
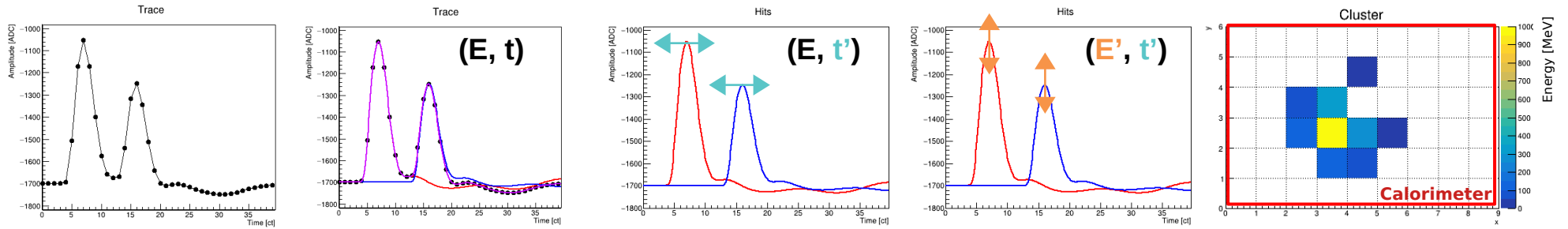
Laser Calibration System

- Built by **INFN-INO**
- Laser sent to all 1296 crystals to mimick Čerenkov radiation
- Time synchronization at the ~ 50 ps level
- Gain calibration of the SiPMs at the 10^{-4} level at all timescales

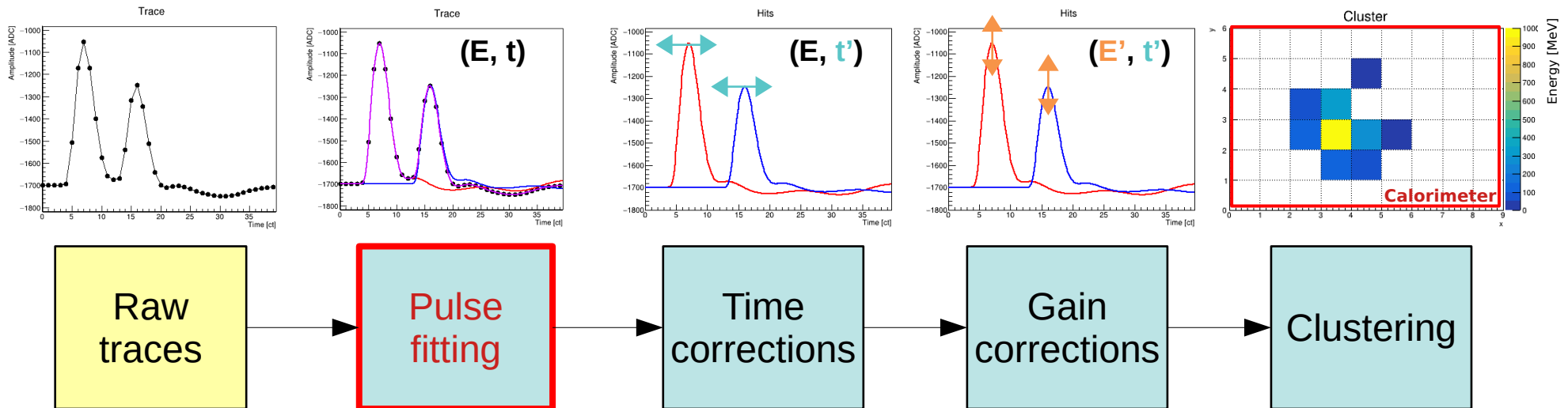
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Positron reconstruction



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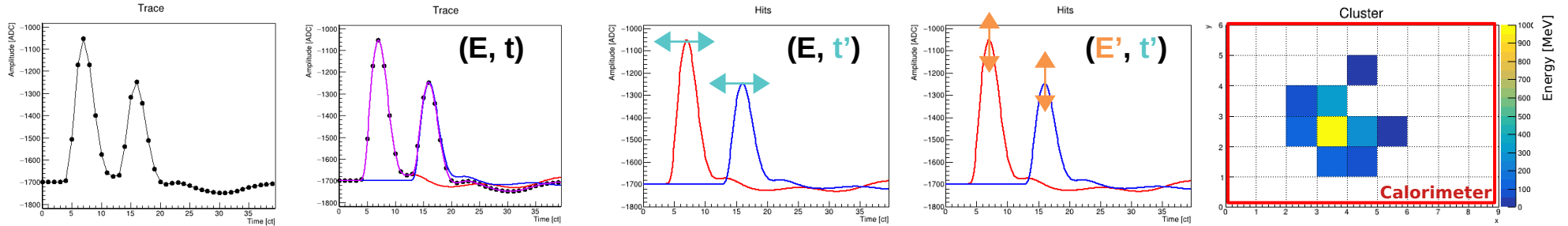


Raw traces are fitted with pulse templates. Each positron generates a pulse in one or more SiPMs.

Three approaches for fitting traces:

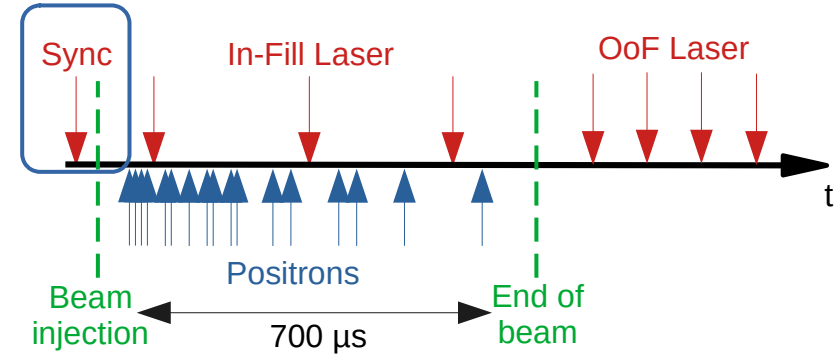
- **local:** each SiPM is treated separately
- **global:** fit all the calorimeter traces simultaneously with a single fixed time
- **hybrid:** after the first round of reconstruction, traces are re-fitted using the positron detection time to improve pulse separation

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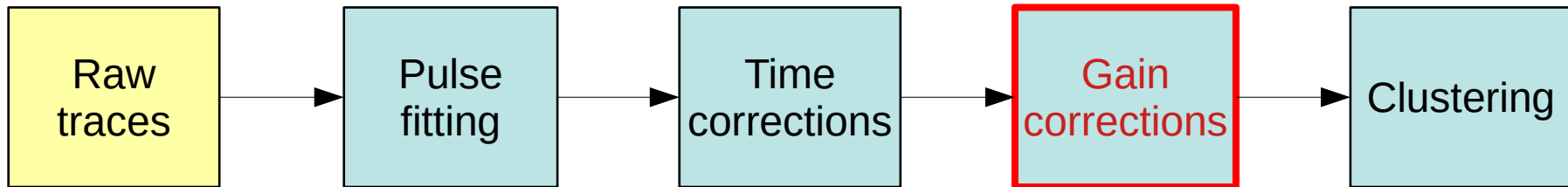
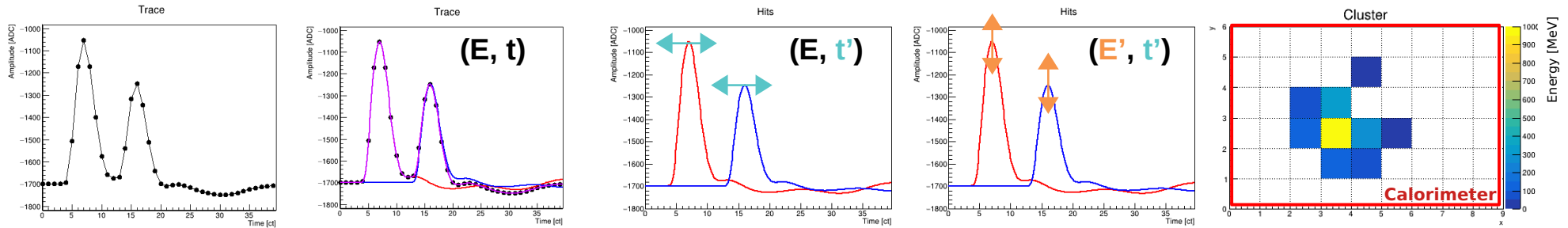


Laser Calibration System provides a synchronization laser pulse to all 1296 crystals $\sim 100 \mu\text{s}$ before beam injection

- SiPM digitizers synchronized with $\sim 50 \text{ ps}$ accuracy
- $T=0$ set at beam injection

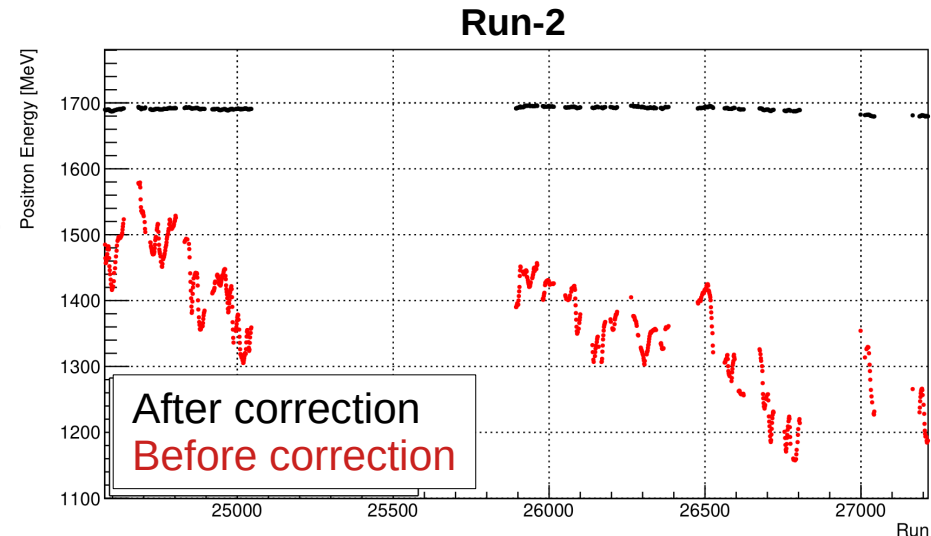


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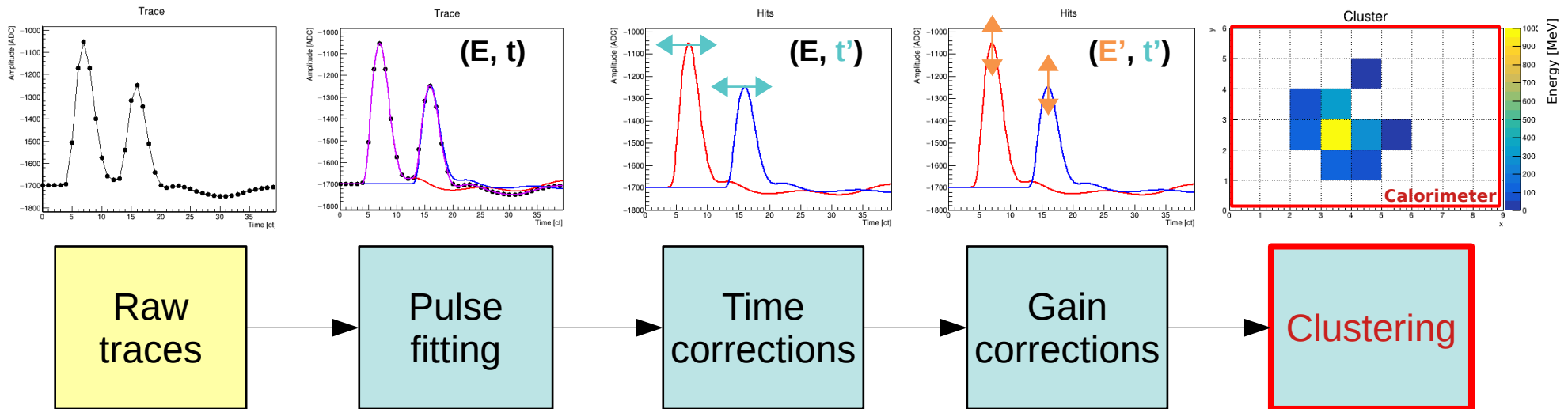


Laser Calibration System used to measure SiPM gain fluctuations and extract correction functions

- Dedicated Short-Term Double-Pulse studies to measure ns-scale SiPM dead time
- In-Fill laser pulses to measure any rate-dependent gain sag
- Out-of-Fill pulses to measure long term gain drifts

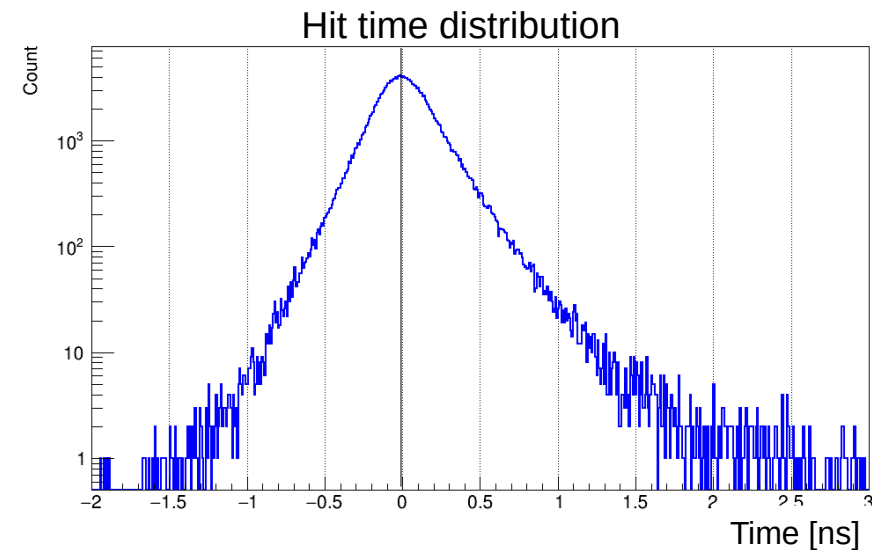


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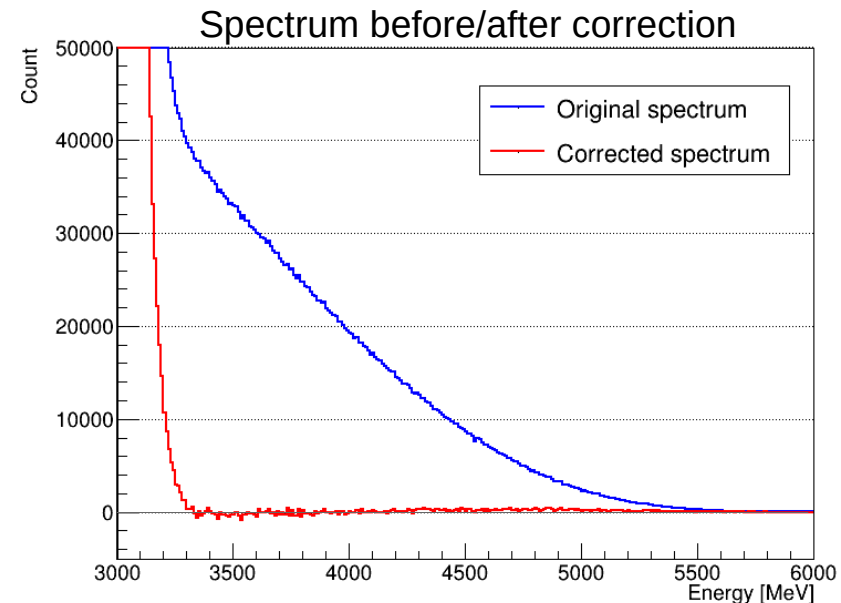
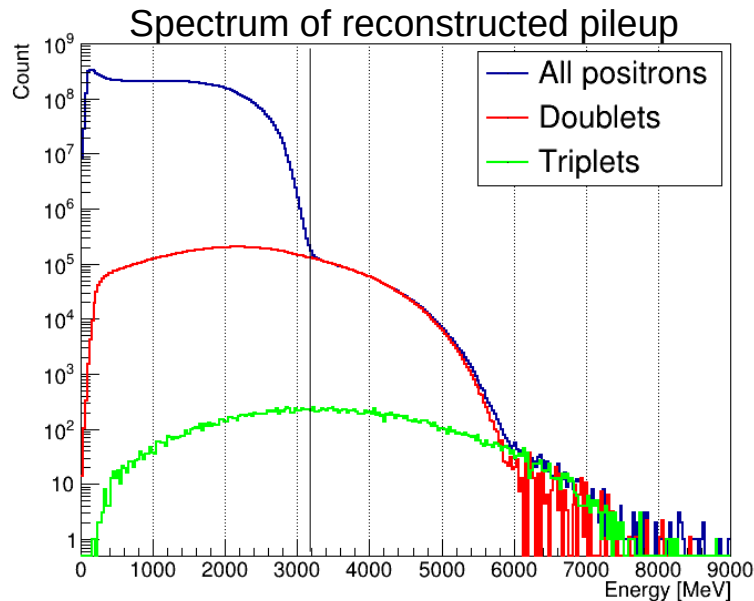
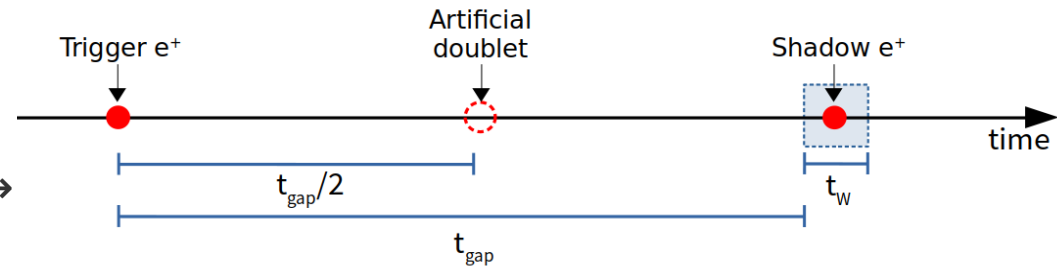
Clustering of SiPM pulses into individual positron candidates

- Goal: maximize separation of pileup events
- Multiple approaches based on the time and energy distributions of the hits
- 0.1 ns spread between adjacent crystals



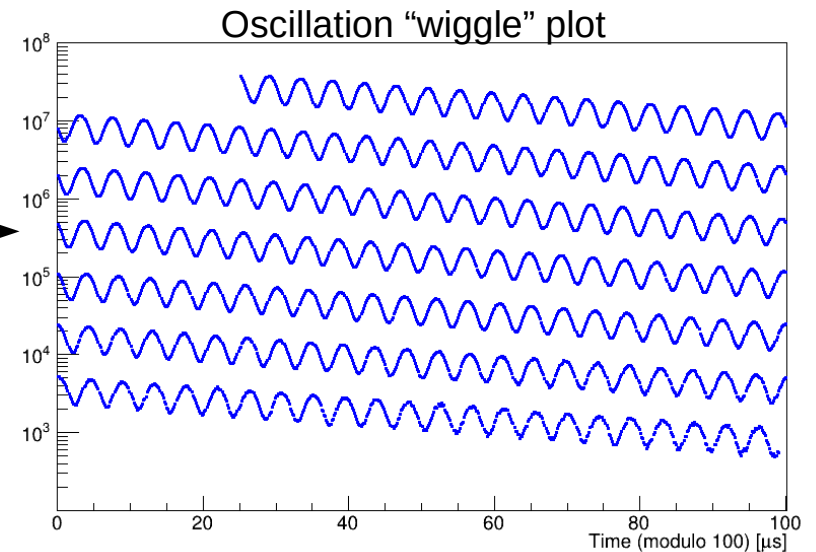
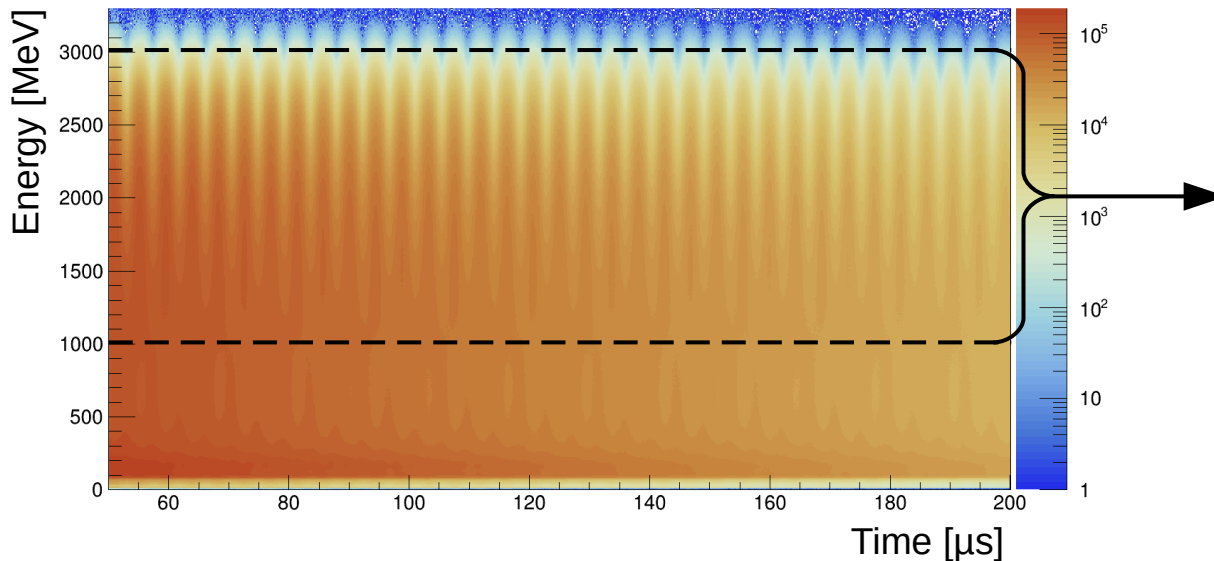
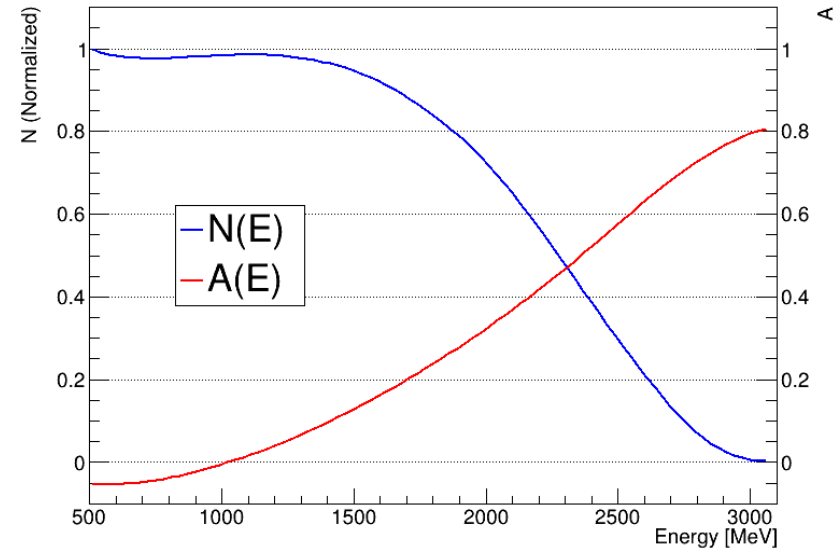
Pileup subtraction

- Pileup = two or more positrons are reconstructed as one
- Contamination subtracted statistically with a “shadow window” technique
- Run-1: 300 ppb effect if not corrected → 40 ppb systematics after correction
- Run-2/3 pileup contamination reduced by factor ~ 3



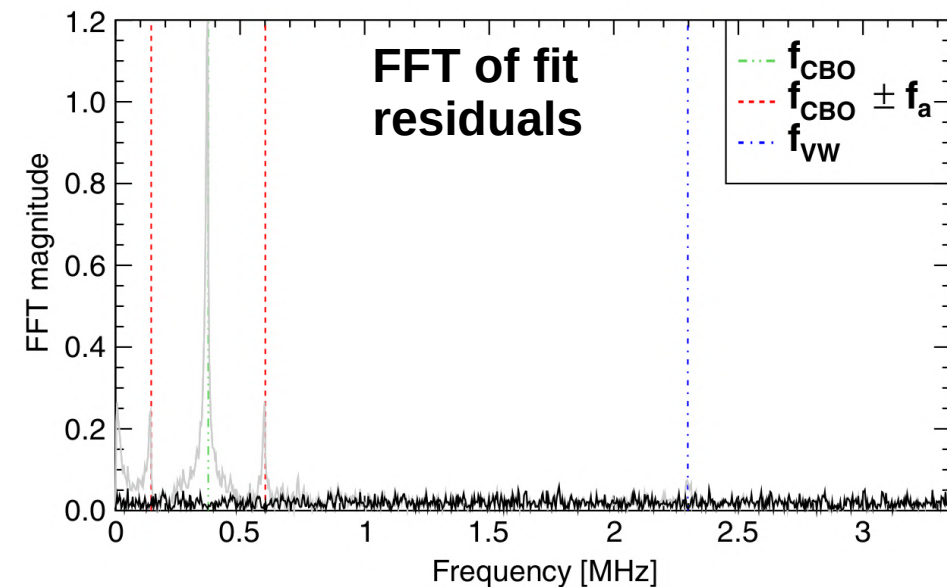
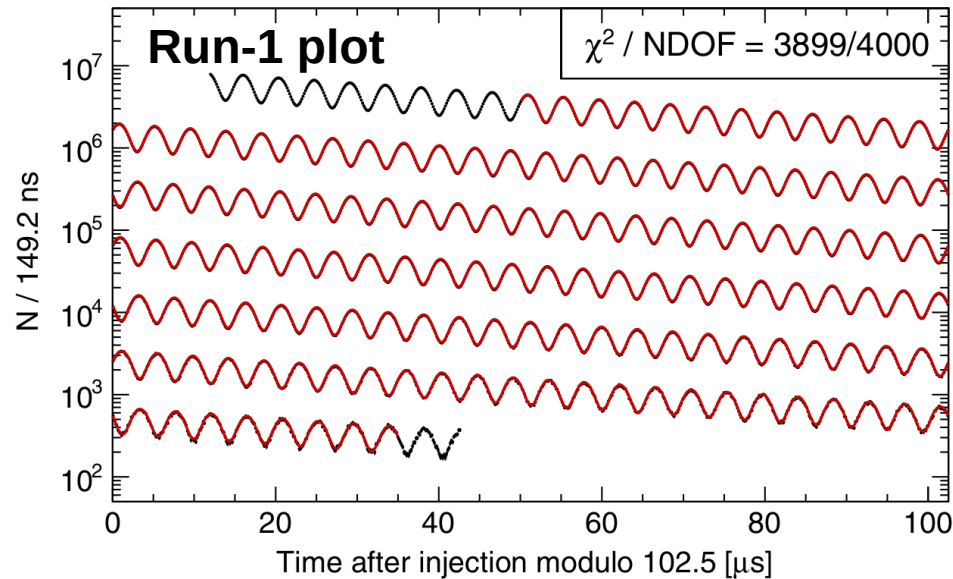
Positron weighting

- High energy positrons carry the largest asymmetry \rightarrow Counting positrons above an energy threshold to produce “wobble” plot
- Maximum statistical power achieved by weighting the positrons according to their asymmetry $A(E)$ and then integrating over the [1000,3000] MeV range



Measuring ω_a

- Histogram fitted with 22-parameters function
- Muon precession, beam oscillations, lost muons
- 4 independent analyses averaged to extract the muon anomalous precession frequency ω_a

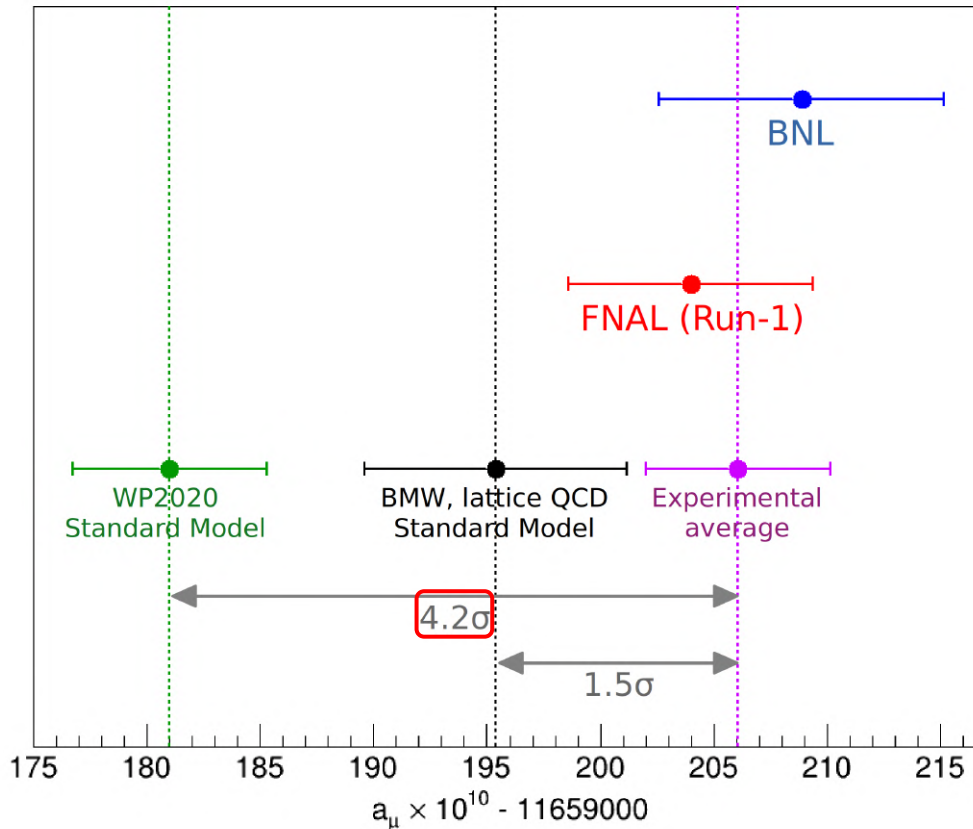


$$\begin{aligned}
 N(t) = & N e^{-t/\tau_\mu} [1 + A \cdot \cos(\omega_a t - \phi + \phi_{BO}(t))] \cdot \\
 & \cdot \left(1 + A_{CBO} \cos(\omega_{CBO} t - \phi_{CBO}) e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_{CBO}}}\right) \cdot \\
 & \cdot \left(1 + A_{VW} \cos(\omega_{VW} t - \phi_{VW}) e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_{VW}}}\right) \cdot \\
 & \cdot \left(1 + A_{2CBO} \cos(\omega_{2CBO} t - \phi_{2CBO}) e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_{2CBO}}}\right) \cdot \\
 & \cdot \left(1 + A_y \cos(\omega_y t - \phi_y) e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_y}}\right) \cdot \\
 & \cdot \left(1 - k_{LM} \int_0^t L(t') e^{t'/\tau_\mu} dt'\right) \cdot
 \end{aligned}$$

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Run-1 result

- Run-1 a_μ value computed with the field measurement and other correction terms \rightarrow 462 ppb (434 ppb stat, 157 ppb syst)



$$a_\mu \text{ (FNAL)} = 116\,592\,040(54) \times 10^{-11} \text{ (0.46 ppm)}$$

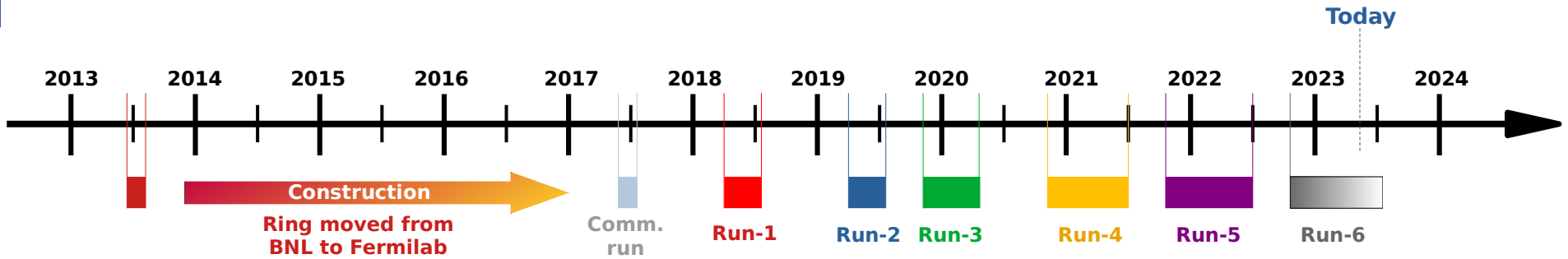
$$a_\mu \text{ (World avg)} = 116\,592\,061(41) \times 10^{-11} \text{ (0.35 ppm)}$$

$$a_\mu \propto \frac{f_{\text{clock}} \omega_a^m (1 + C_e + C_p + C_{ml} + C_{pa})}{f_{\text{calib}} \langle \omega'_p(x, y, \phi) \times M(x, y, \phi) \rangle (1 + B_k + B_q)}$$

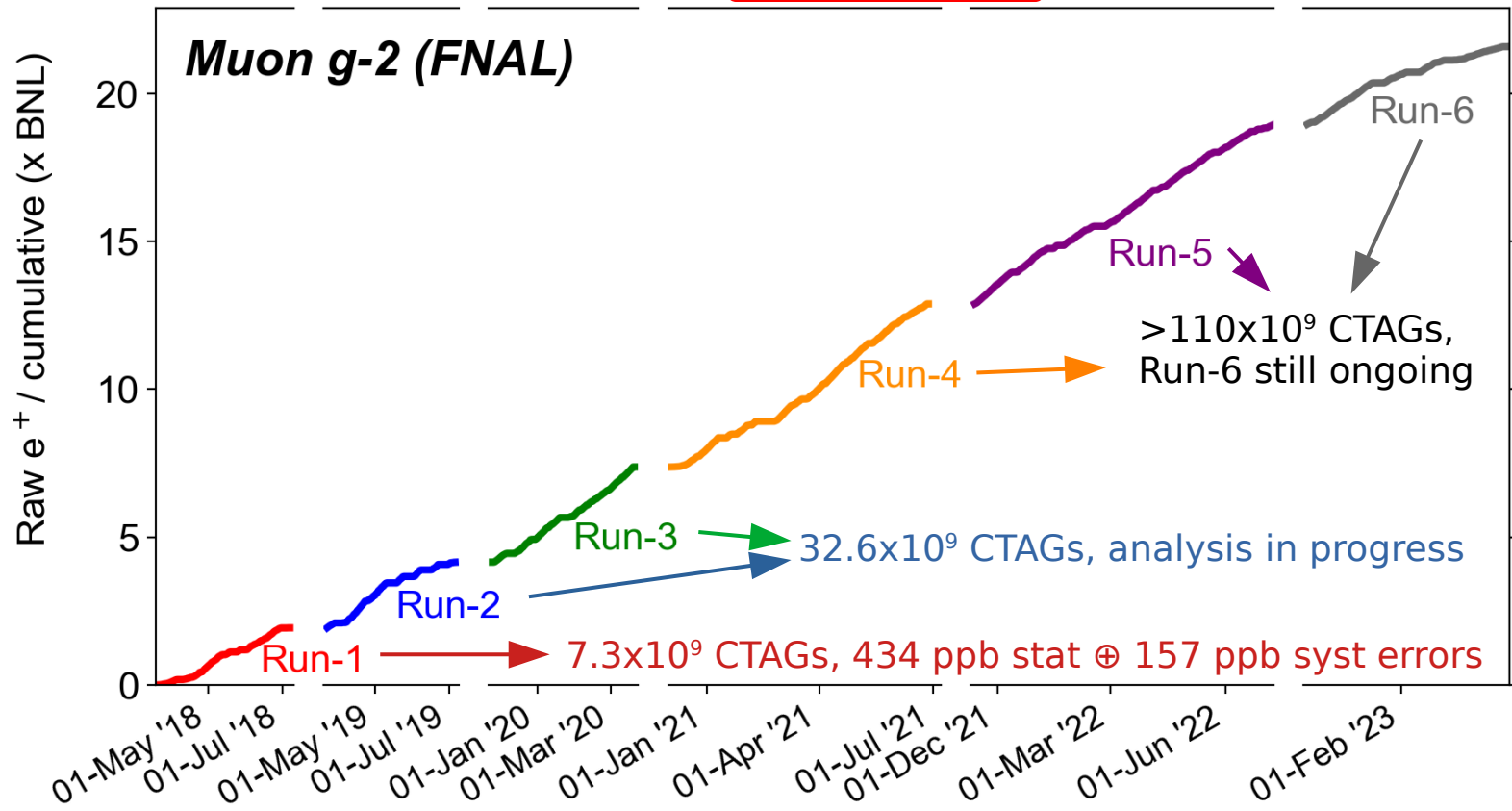
Quantity	Correction [ppb]	Uncertainty [ppb]
ω_a (statistical)	-	434
ω_a (systematic)	-	56
C_e	489	53
C_p	180	13
C_{ml}	-11	5
C_{pa}	-158	75
$f_{\text{calib}} \langle \omega'_p(x, y, \phi) \cdot M(x, y, \phi) \rangle$	-	56
B_q	-17	92
B_k	-27	37
μ'_p/μ_e	-	10
m_μ/m_e	-	22
g_e	-	0
Total systematic	-	157
Total external factors	-	25
Total	544	462

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Current status



Last update: 2023-05-16 06:19 ; Total = 21.66 (xBNL) TDR of 21xBNL reached on 27 Feb 2023



Conclusions

- A precise reconstruction of the positrons is necessary to achieve <70 ppb systematics on the muon precession measurement
- Analysis of Run-2/3 is now at the final stages and a new publication with 2x precision wrt Run-1 (~ 230 ppb) is expected this summer
- Reconstruction of Run-4/5 is complete and analysis is starting. Run-6 (final run) is currently ongoing and reconstruction is proceeding in parallel.
- Run-4/5/6 will have 4x the statistics of Run-2/3. Final publication expected in 2025, on track to achieve or exceed the final goal of 140 ppb!

Thank you for listening!