



# Applications of SiPM based detectors in muon spin spectroscopy

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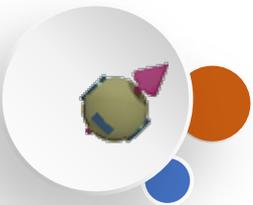
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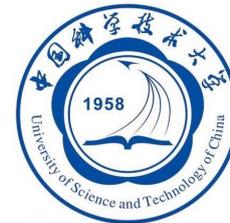
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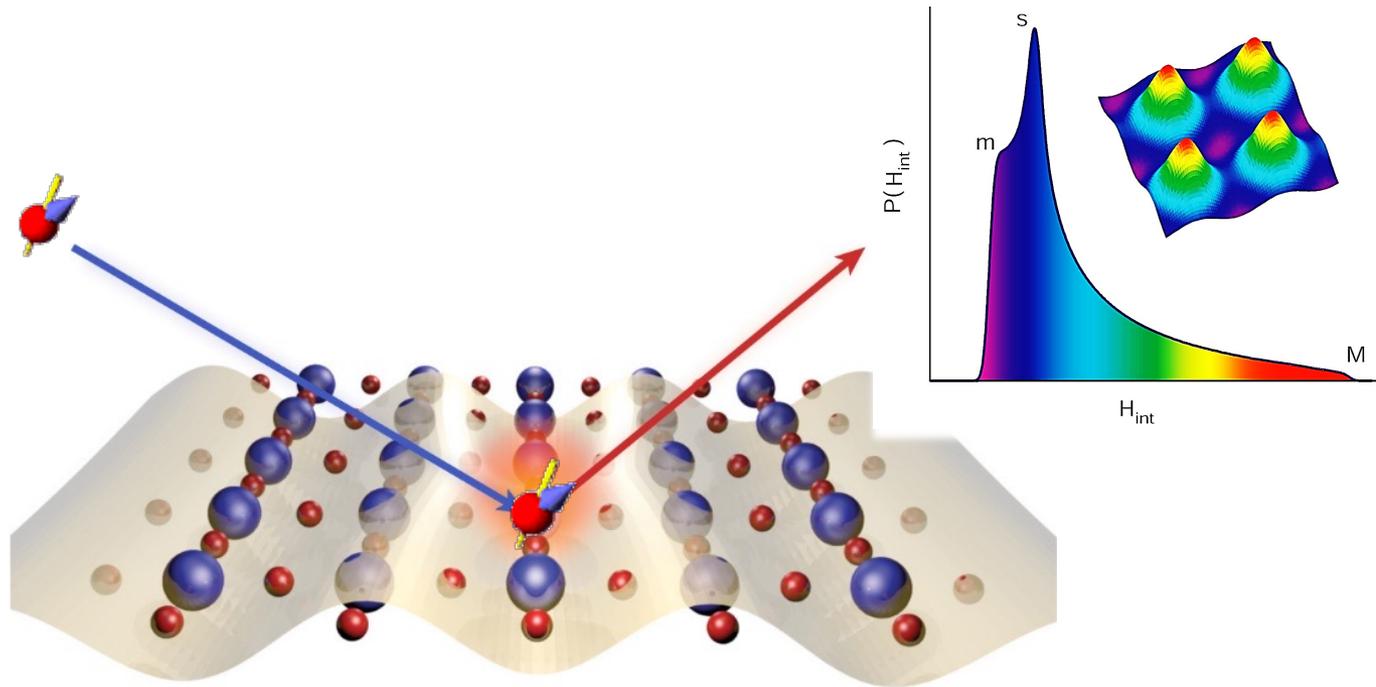
**总结与展望**

An aerial, stylized illustration of a modern university campus. The scene features several large, multi-story buildings with white and grey facades, interspersed with lush green lawns and trees. A prominent building in the foreground has a long, horizontal structure with a series of vertical supports. In the center, there's a large, curved building with a distinctive roof. The overall aesthetic is clean and architectural, with a focus on green spaces and modern infrastructure.

# 1. 研究背景

# 1.1 Principles of $\mu$ SR spectroscopy

**$\mu$ SR: muon spin rotation/relaxation/resonance**  
**缪子自旋旋转/弛豫/共振**



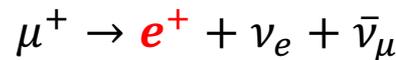
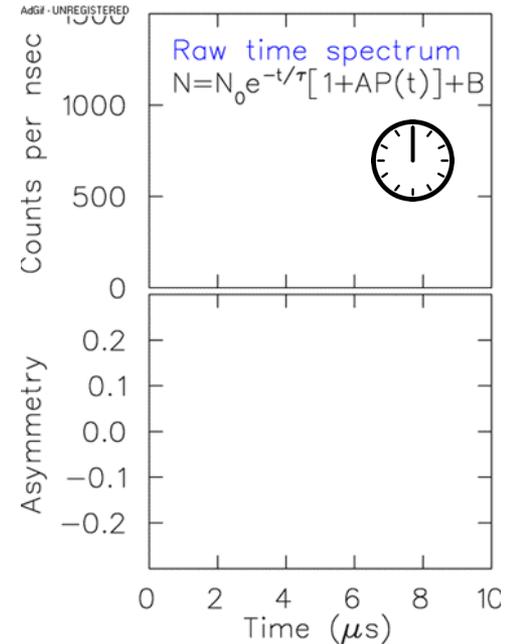
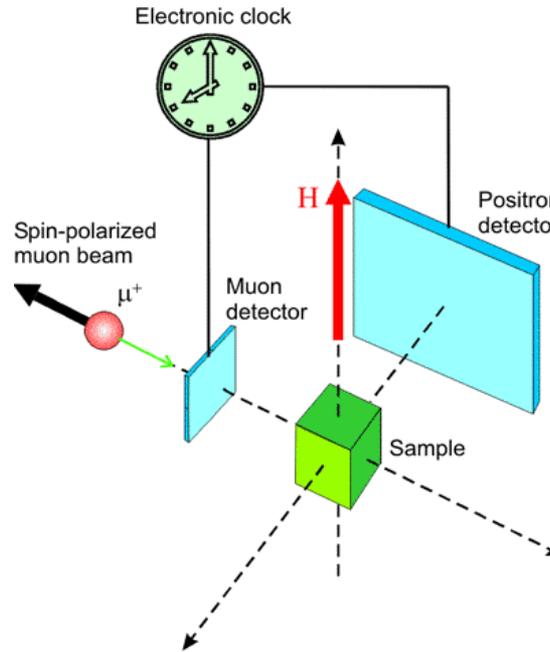
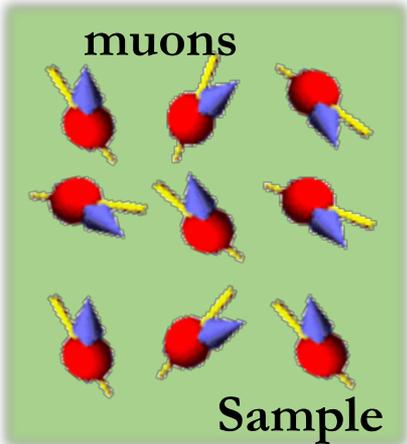
**A quantum magnetism probe**

# 1.1 Principles of $\mu$ SR spectroscopy

拉莫进动  
(自旋相互作用)

非对称衰变  
(正电子探测)

$\mu$ SR谱  
(解谱分析)

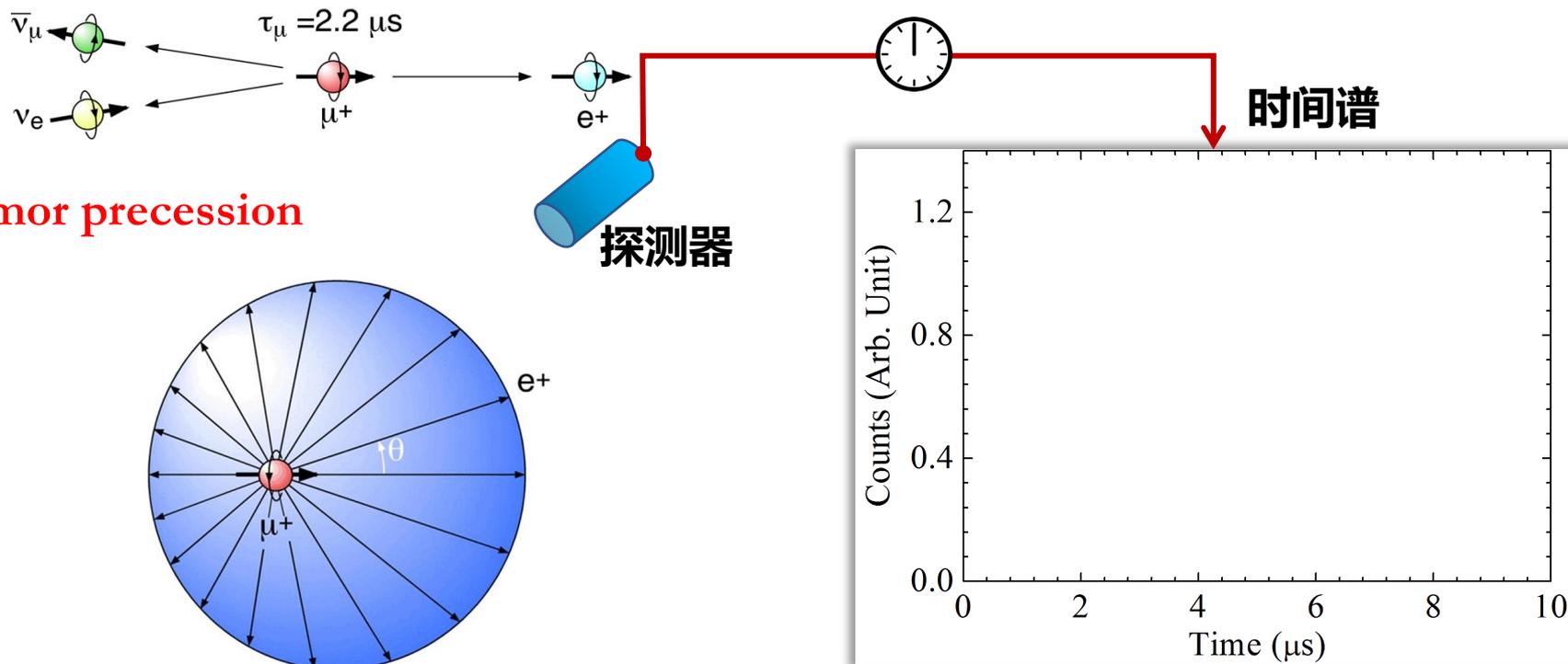


$$\frac{N_F(t) - N_B(t)}{N_F(t) + N_B(t)} = AP(t)$$

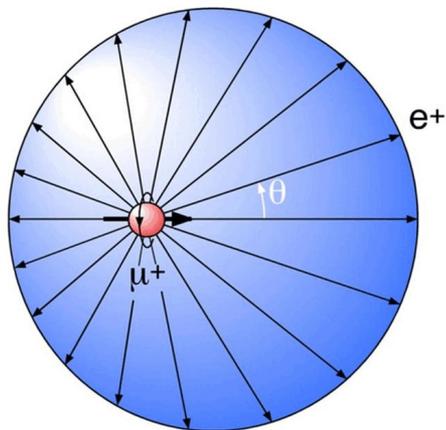
$$\frac{d\mathbf{S}_\mu(t)}{dt} = \gamma_\mu \mathbf{S}_\mu(t) \times \mathbf{B}_{loc}(t)$$

$$\mathbf{P}(t) = \frac{\mathbf{S}_\mu(t)}{\mathbf{S}_\mu(t=0)}$$

# 1.1 Principles of $\mu$ SR spectroscopy



Larmor precession



缪子自旋取向在局域场中随时间变化



正电子空间分布随缪子自旋取向变化

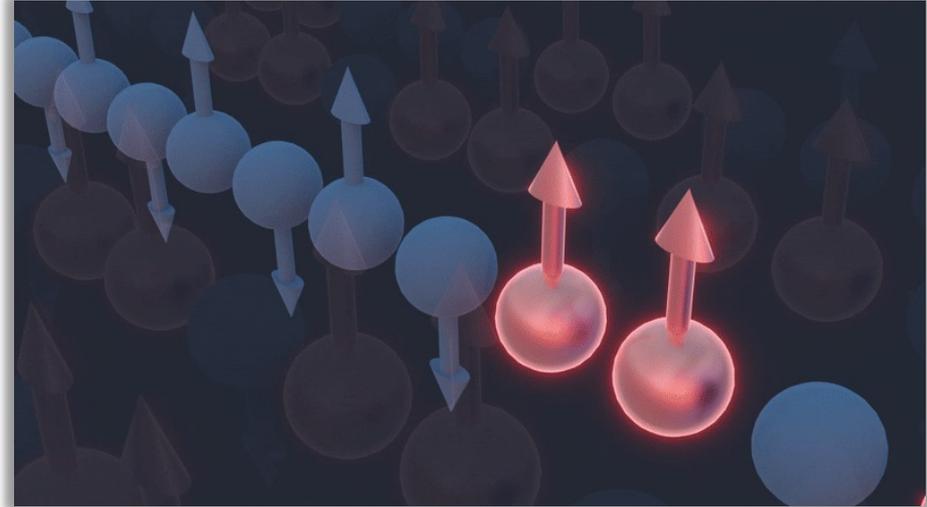
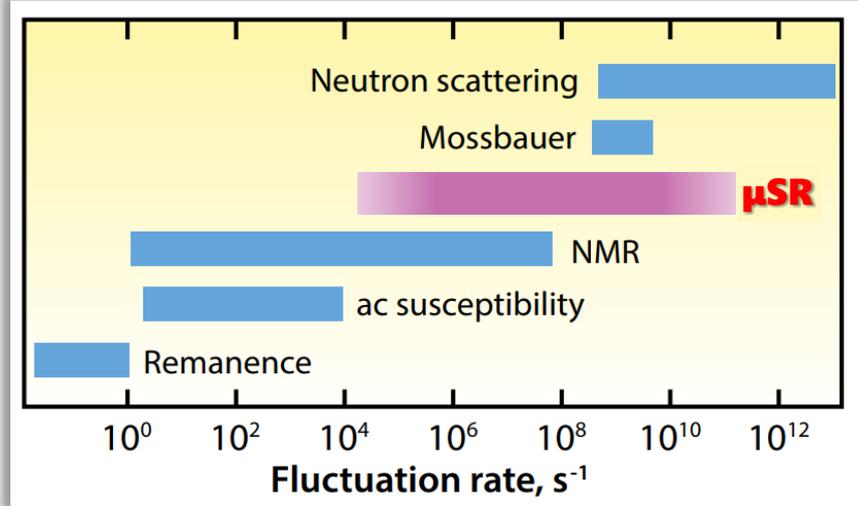


探测器正电子计数随时间变化



拟合解谱提取极化函数  $AP(t)$ , 表征材料磁性

# 1.2 Advantages of $\mu$ SR spectroscopy



- **独特的时间窗** (complementary to NMR/neutron scattering)
- **弱磁性灵敏** (small moment magnetism  $\sim 10^{-3} \mu_B/\text{Atom}$ )
- **随机/不均匀磁性分布** (e.g. spin glasses)
- **短程有序** (where neutron scattering is not sensitive)
- **高度极化，可零场实验** (independent of temperature, unique measurements without disturbance of the system)
- **单粒子探测** (with extremely high sensitivity)
- **样品状态无限制** (in choice of materials to be studied)
- **局域量子磁探针** (no need to search reciprocal space)

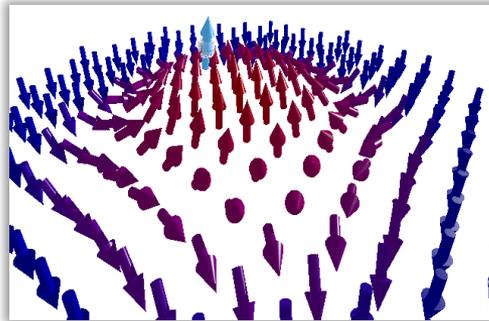
# 1.3 Application fields

## ● Passive probe (lepton)

Superconductor

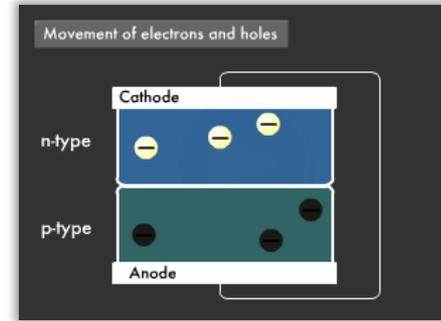


Magnetism

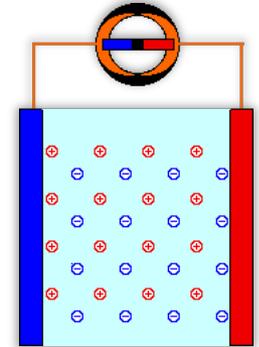


## ● Active probe (light proton)

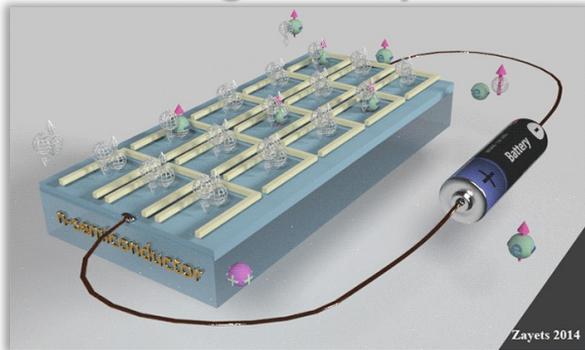
Semiconductor



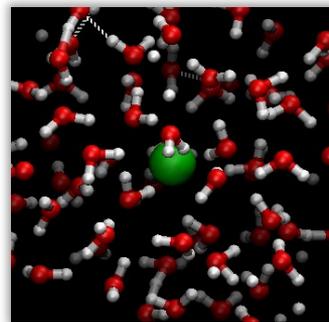
Ionic conductor



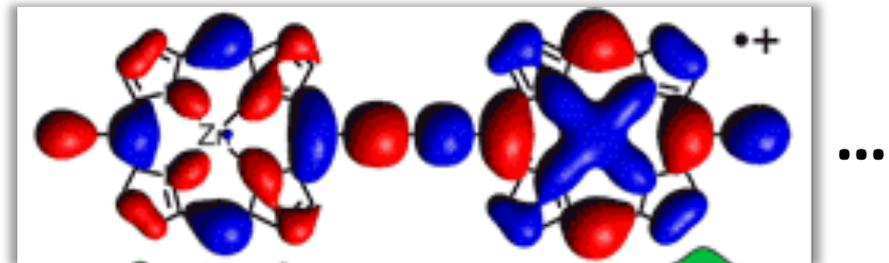
Charge transport



MD



Polaron motion

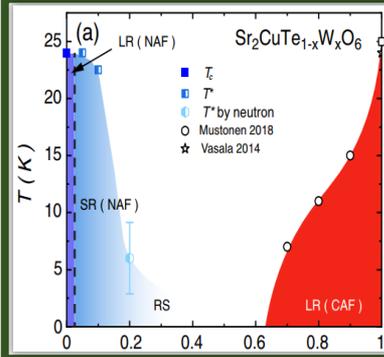


# 1.3 Application fields

## 李世亮课题组 @ 中科院物理所

*Extreme Suppression of Antiferromagnetic Order and Critical Scaling in a Two-Dimensional Random Quantum Magnet, [Physical Review Letters](#) 126, 037201 (2021).*

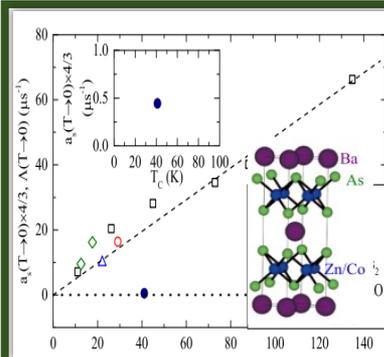
**二维量子反铁磁体掺杂演化机制得到部分澄清**



## 宁凡龙课题组 @ 浙江大学

*Ba(Zn,Co)<sub>2</sub>As<sub>2</sub>: A diluted ferromagnetic semiconductor with n-type carriers and isostructural to 122 iron-based superconductors, [Physical Review B](#) 99, 155201 (2019).*

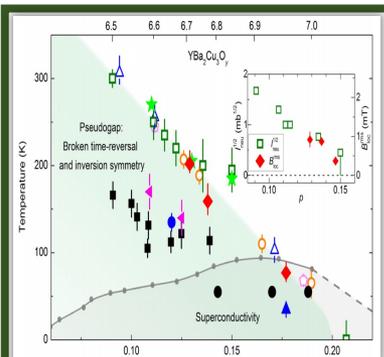
**成功合成一种新型稀磁半导体并由μSR确证**



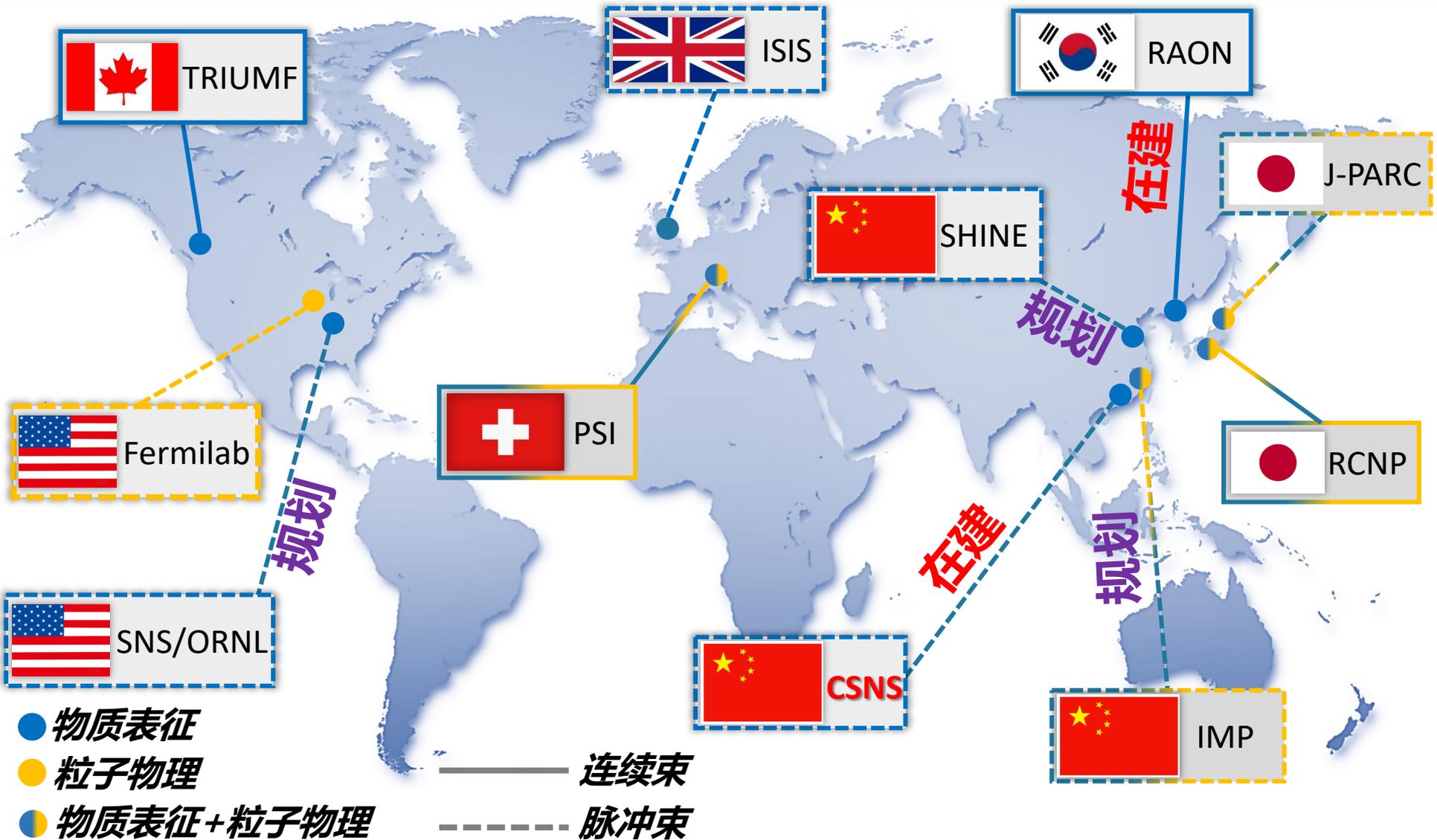
## 宓蕾课题组 @ 复旦大学

*Discovery of slow magnetic fluctuations and critical slowing down in the pseudogap phase of YBa<sub>2</sub>Cu<sub>3</sub>O<sub>y</sub>, [Science Advances](#) 4, eaao5235 (2018).*

**高温超导体赅能隙研究取得突破**



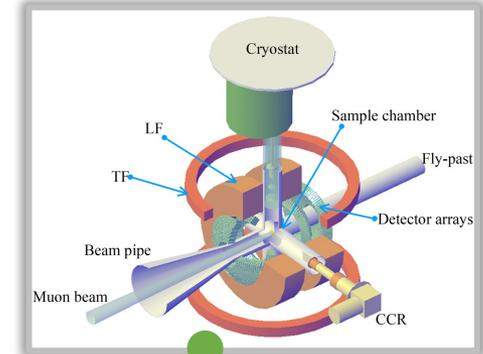
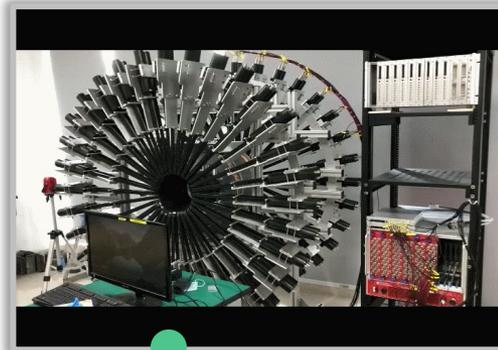
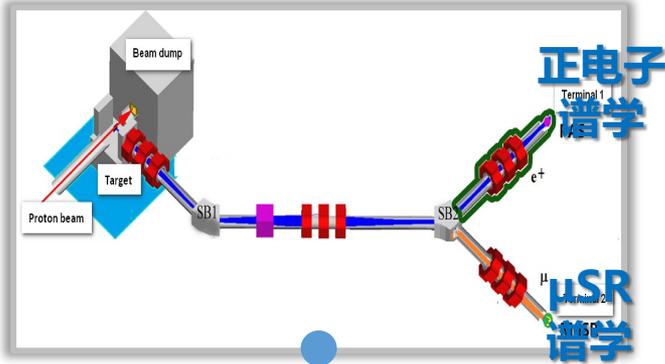
# 1.4 Worldwide muon sources



# 1.5 Instrumentation @ USTC muon group

## Particle Beam Application Laboratory

(PI: 叶邦角教授)



**Pre-study**  
(2007-2014)

束流设计

**Prototype R&D**  
(2015-2020)

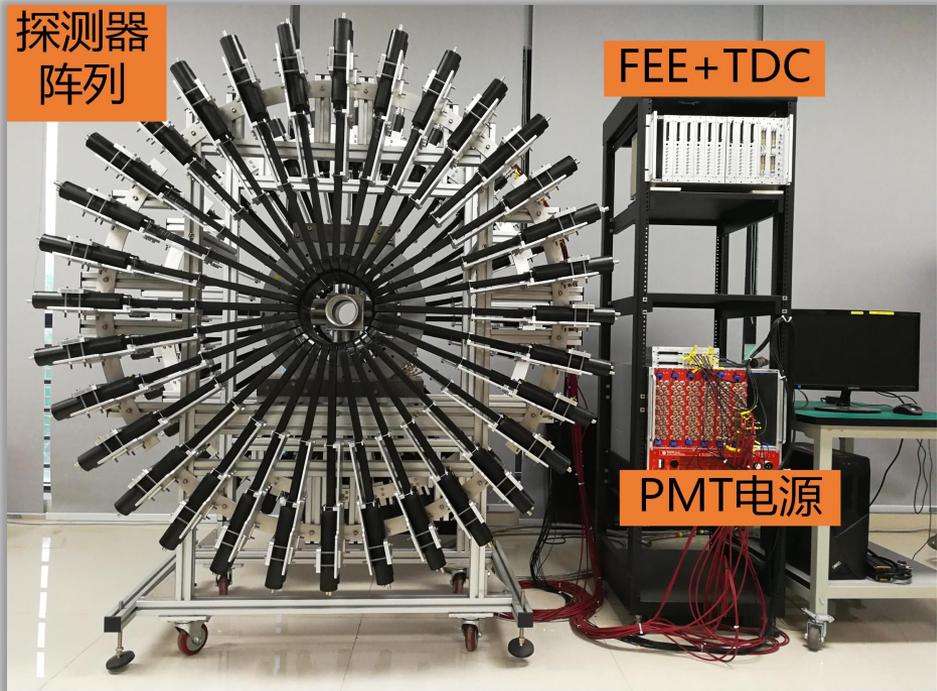
1<sup>st</sup> generation  
128路样机(PMT)

**Construction**  
(2023-2028)

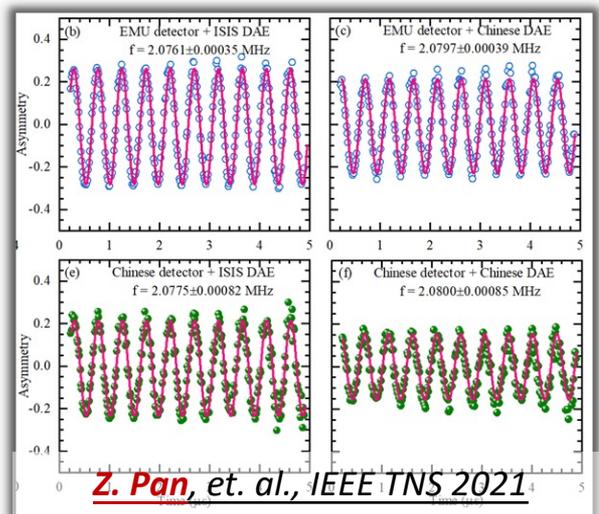
2<sup>nd</sup> generation  
工程谱仪(SiPM)

# 1.5 Instrumentation @ USTC muon group

专家组验收

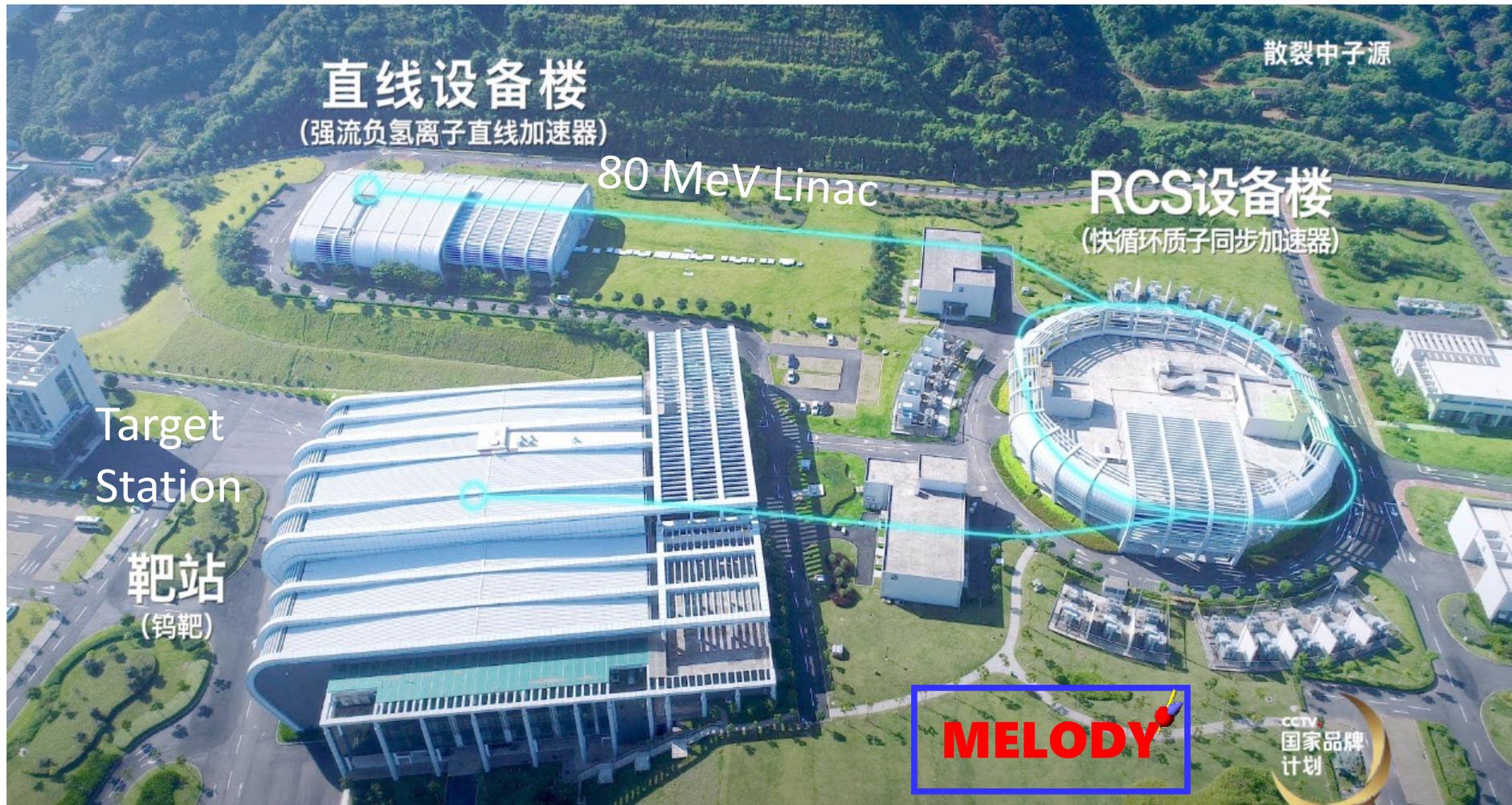


- ✓ 样机探测系统计数性能优于ISIS谱仪
- ✓ 可以精确测量样品局域磁场
- ✓ 基金委结题评价为**亮点工作**



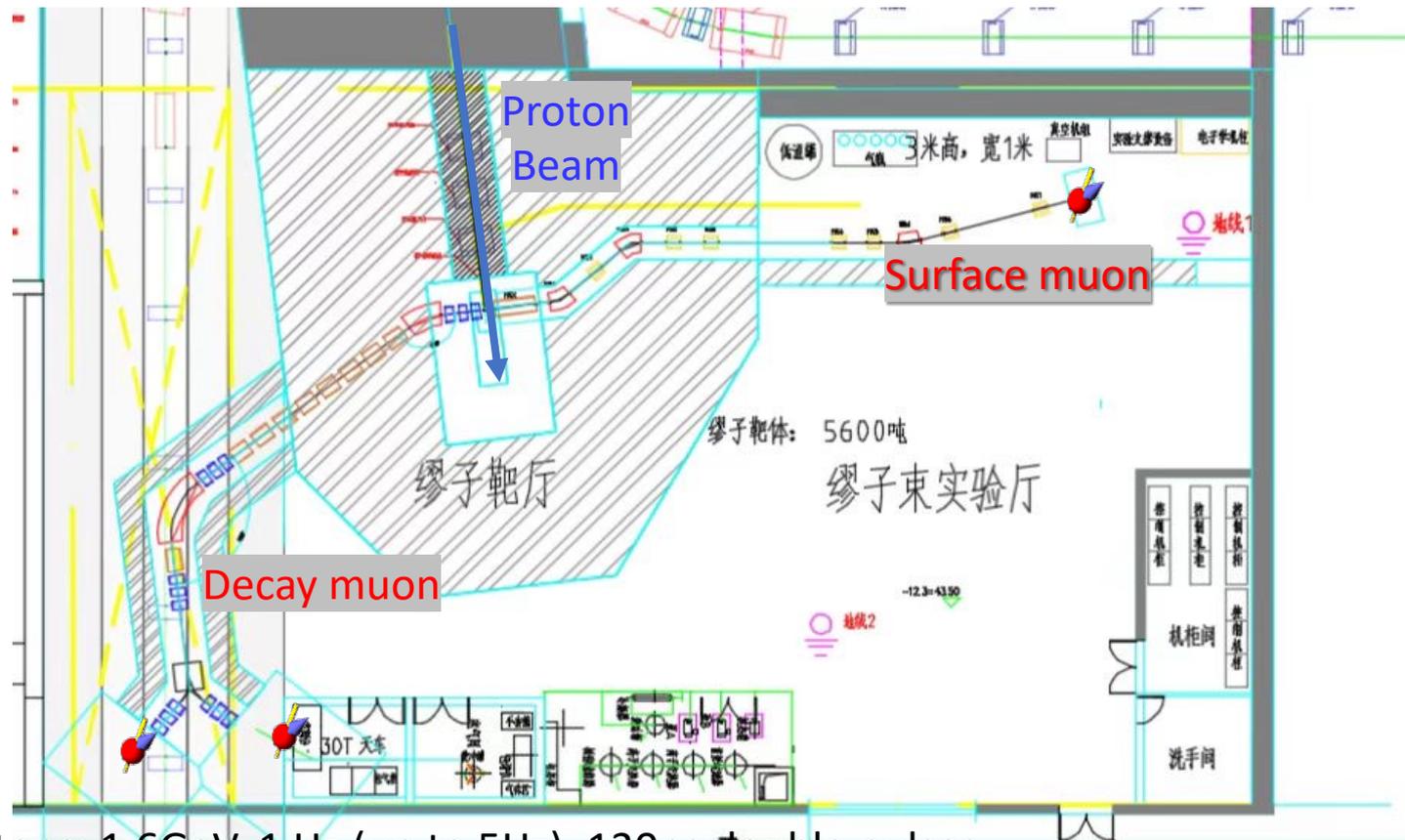
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## Muon station for sciENCE technoLOGY and inDUstrY (MELODY)



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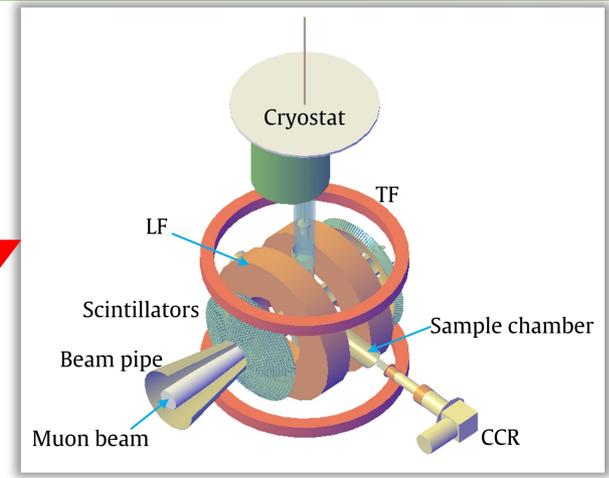
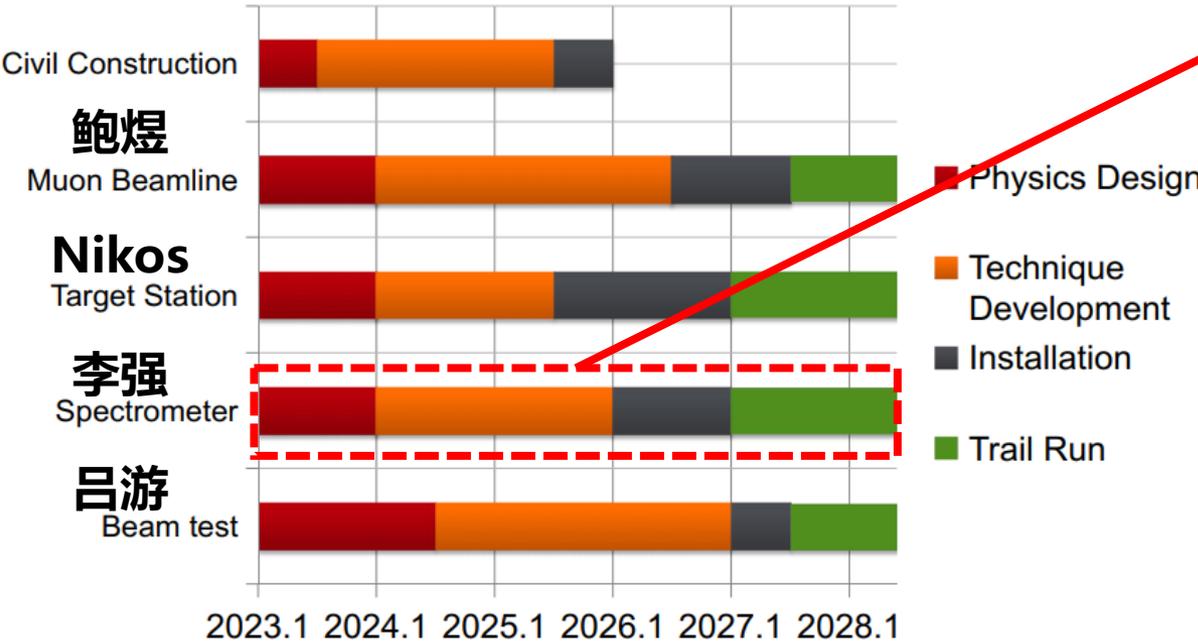


- Protons: 1.6GeV, 1 Hz (up to 5Hz), 130ns double pulses
- Muon beamlines: one **surface muon** and one decay muon beam
- Spectrometers: **1  $\mu$ SR spectrometer** and more...

*Proceedings @ MuSR2020*

# 1.6 MELODY @ CSNS II

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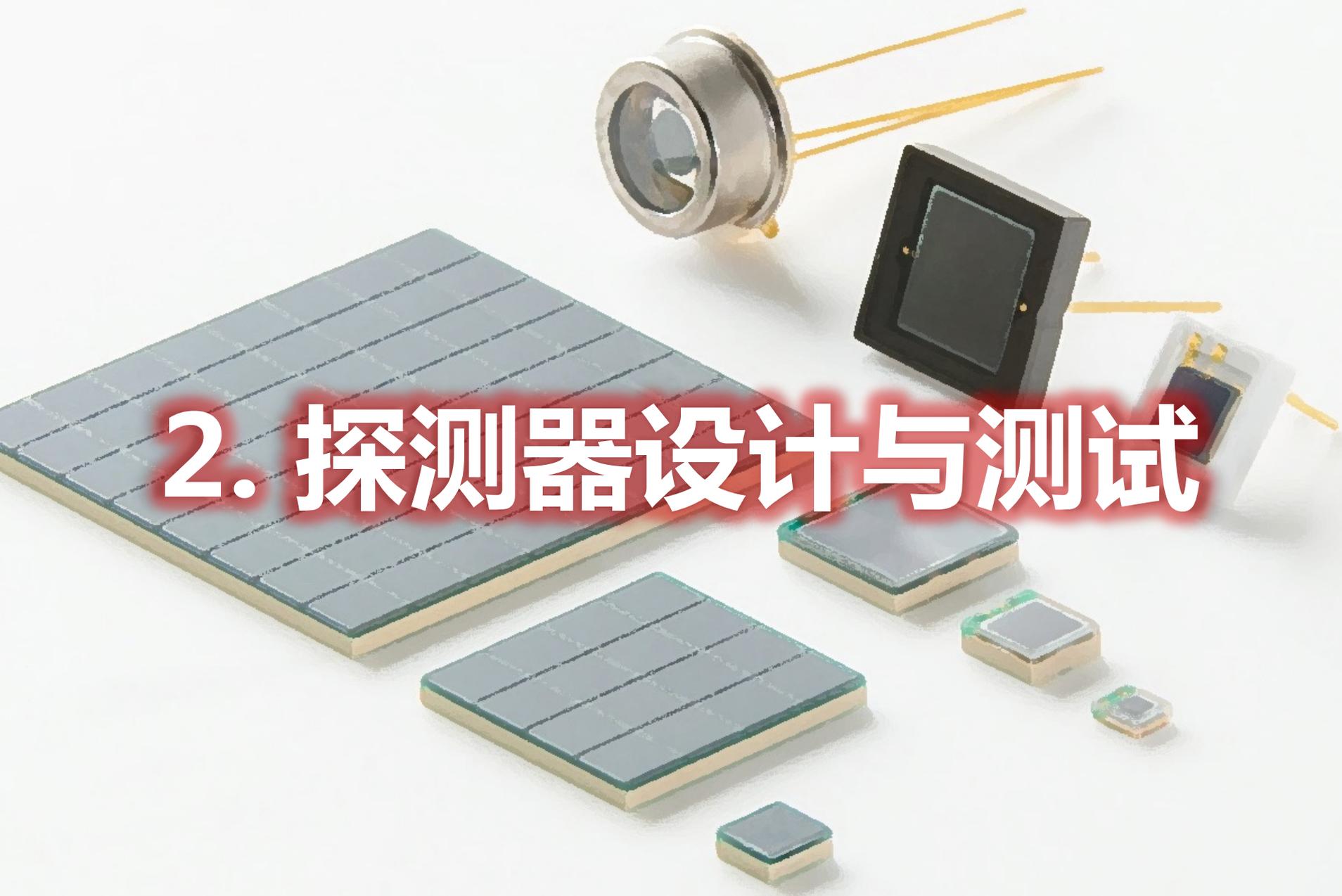


**Detection system: (潘子文)**  
 2868 plastic scintillators  
 Sensi sipm  
 FEE+TDC readout

**Sample environment: (程辉、胡海韬)**  
 Cryostat: 2 – 600 K  
 CCR: 10 – 600 K  
 ZF/LF/TF magnets

**Data analysis software: (李样)**

## 2. 探测器设计与测试



# 2.1 Spectrometer development trend

PSI

TRIUMF

RCNP

ISIS

J-PARC

CSNS



DOLLY



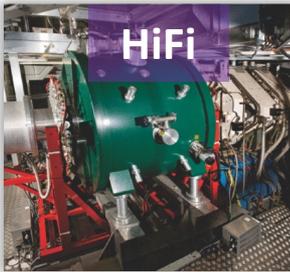
HAL-9500



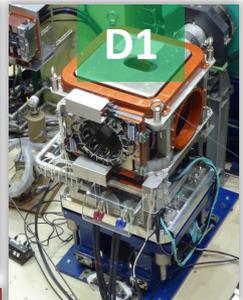
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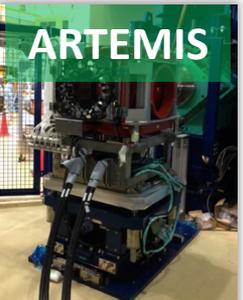
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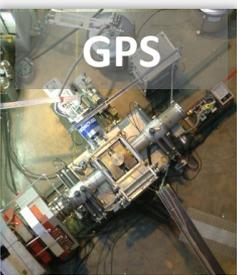
HiFi



D1



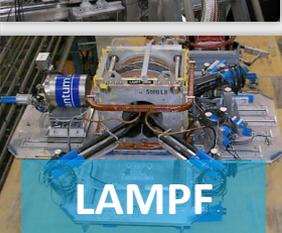
ARTEMIS



GPS



FLAME



LAMPF

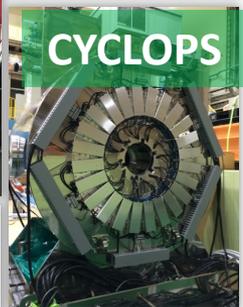


MuSR spectrometer

MuSR



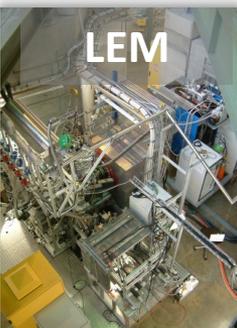
MuSR



CYCLOPS



USM



LEM



Pandora



NuTime



EMU



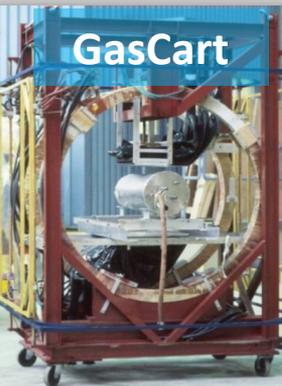
Super-MuSR



GPD



Omni'



GasCart



CHRONUS



ARGUS



探测器阵列

FEE+TDC

PMT电源

Prototype



# 2.1 Spectrometer development trend

Facilities	Time mode	Spectrometer	Light sensors	Amount
PSI	Continuous	DOLLY、GPS、GPD、 HAL-9500、LEM、FLAME	SiPM/PMT	6
TRIUMF	Continuous	Helios、DR、NuTime、 Omni Prime、LAMPF、 SFUmu、Hodge-Podge、Gas Cart	PMT	8
MuSIC	Continuous	Reused from KEK	PMT	1
ISIS	Pulsed	MuSR→SuperMuSR、EMU、HiFi、 ARGUS、CHRONUS	PMT/SiPM	5
J-PARC	Pulsed	D1、ARTEMIS、USM、CYCLOPS	SiPM	4
<b>In total:</b>				<b>24</b>

- ◆ 早期建设的谱仪(如TRIUMF、ISIS)使用PMT，后期建设的基本使用SiPM
- ◆ 使用PMT的谱仪也逐步升级到SiPM
- ◆ μSR谱仪逐步SiPM化



## 2.2 Technical challenges

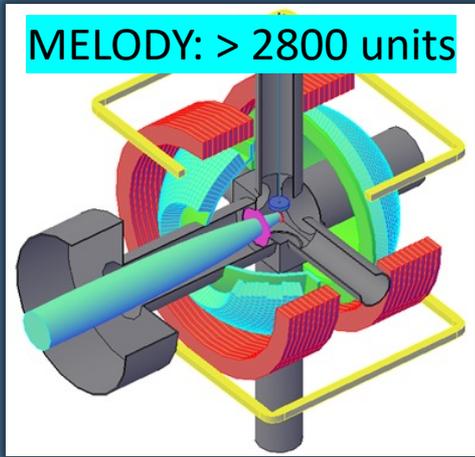
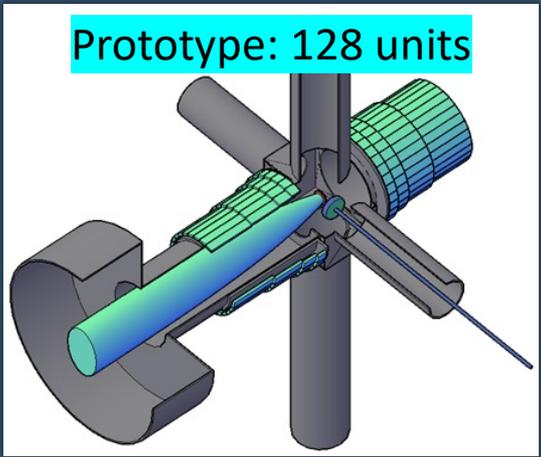
缪子源	J-PARC		ISIS	CSNS	
谱仪	DΩ1	D1	ARTEMIS	EMU	-
流强( $\mu^+$ /pulse)	< $10^{11}$ (需准直)		< $7.5 \times 10^4$	> $10^5$	
频率(Hz)	25		40	1	
通道数	128	640	640	96	
总计数率 (Mevents/h)	40	180	180	140	-
单路计数率 ( $e^+$ /pulse/ch)	3.47	3.13	3.13	10.13	-
传感器	PMT	SiPM	SiPM	PMT	SiPM
死时间(ns)	-	~ 100	50	8	-

**用户需求:** 多样品多条件快速测量 (一次测量需要  $2 \times 10^7$  events)

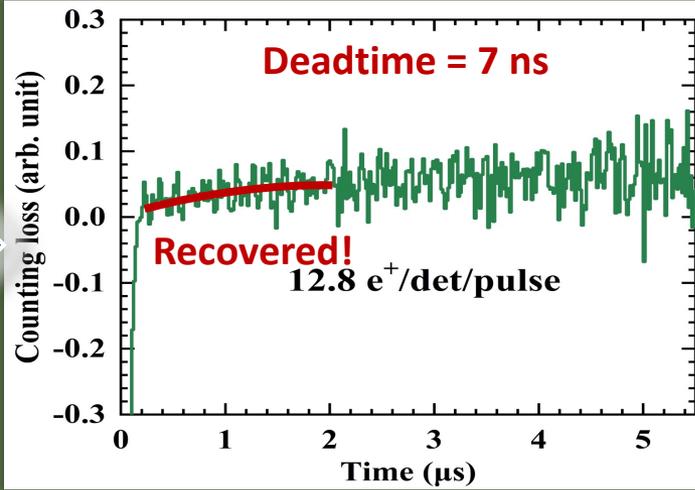
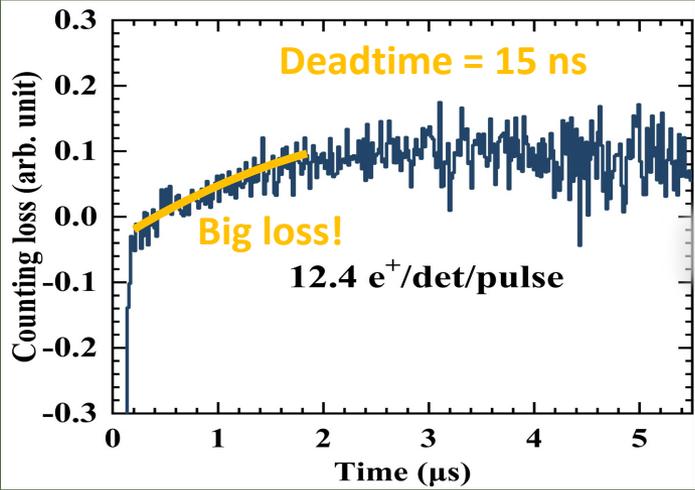
- 技术难点:**
- MELODY束流重复频率低
  - 每脉冲流强高
  - SiPM死时间长

# 2.3 Solutions

高度  
阵列化

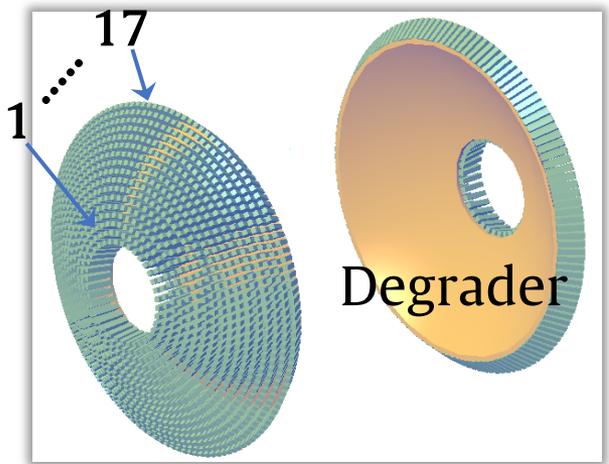


信号  
窄化

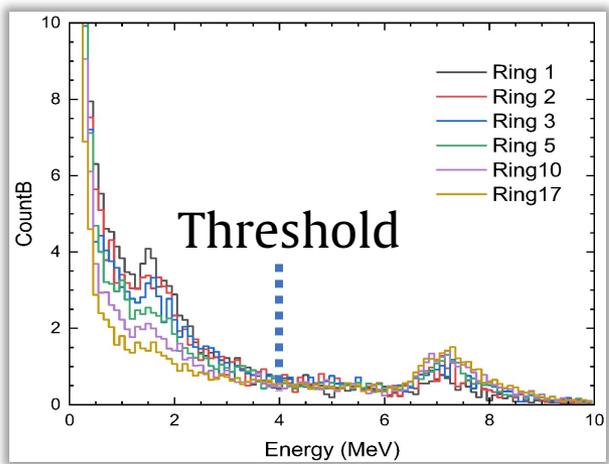


# 2.3 Preliminary design

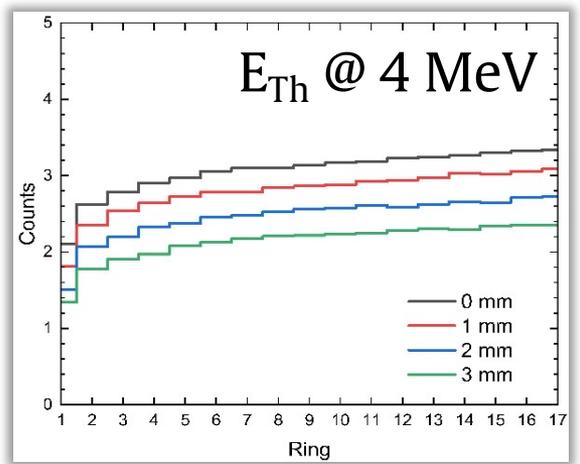
## Detectors



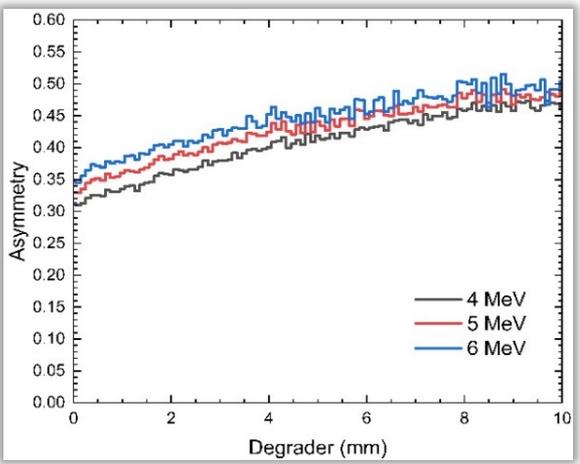
## Energy deposition



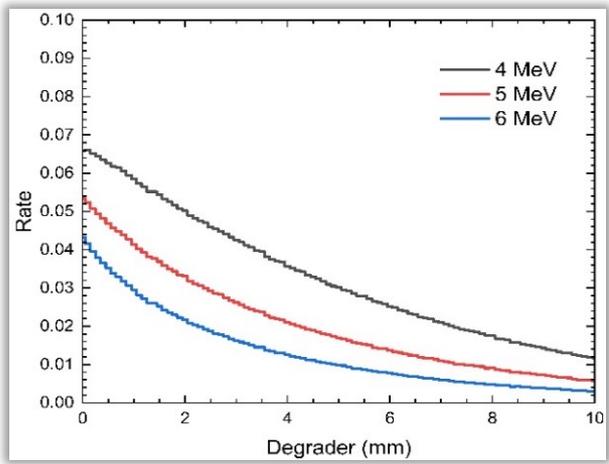
## Counting rate (/det/pulse)



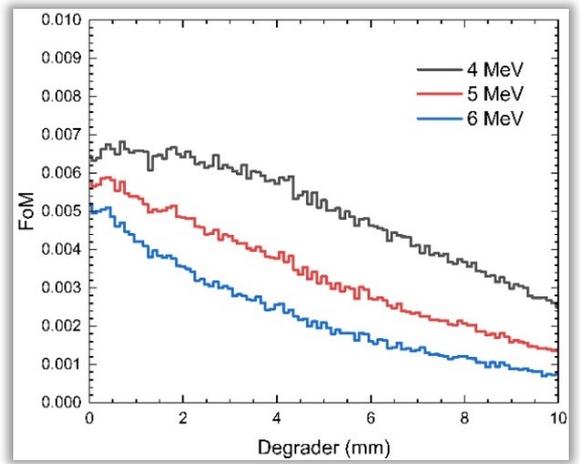
## Asymmetry



## Detection rate



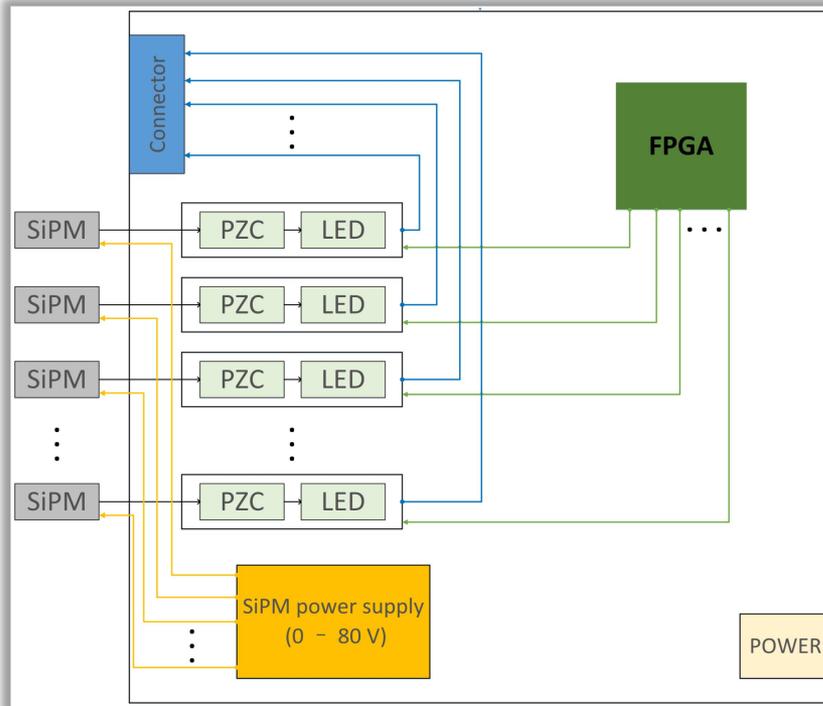
## Figure of Merit



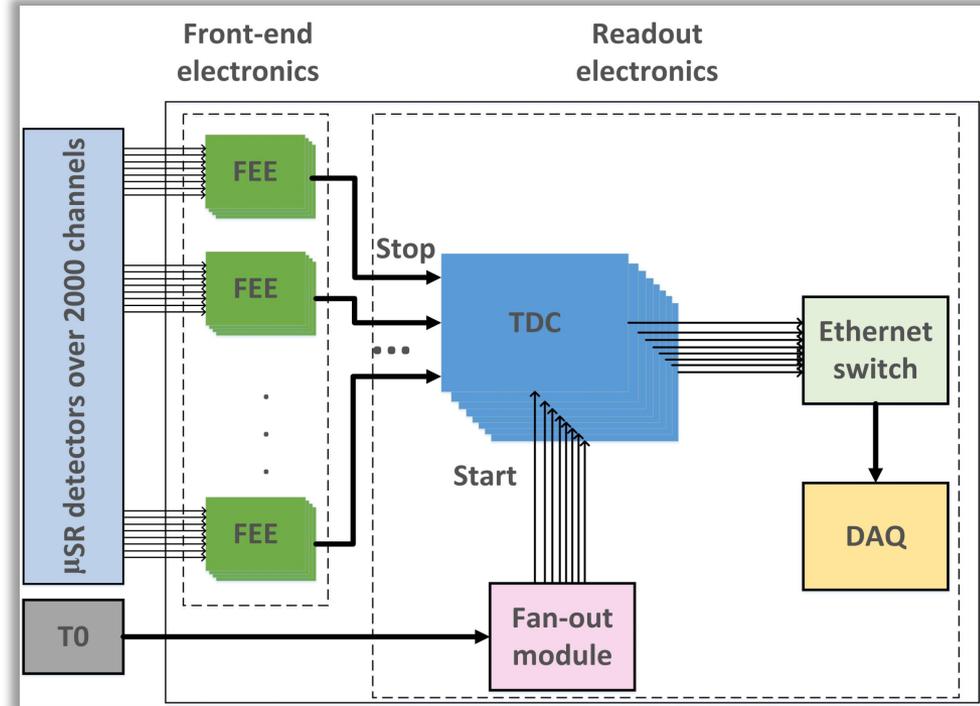
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## Electronics

### Front-End Electronics



### TDC Readout

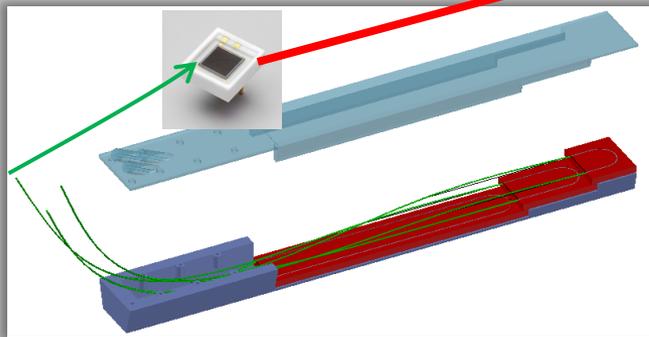
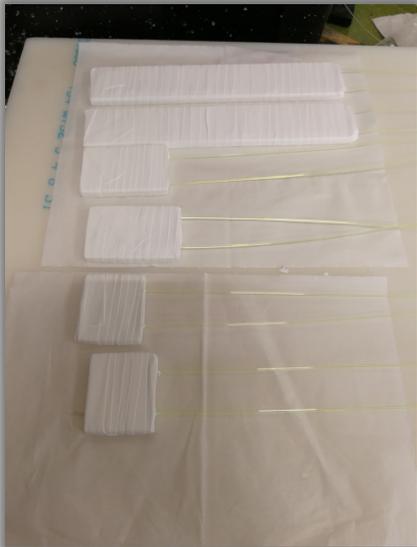


**FEE (PZC + LED) + TDC**

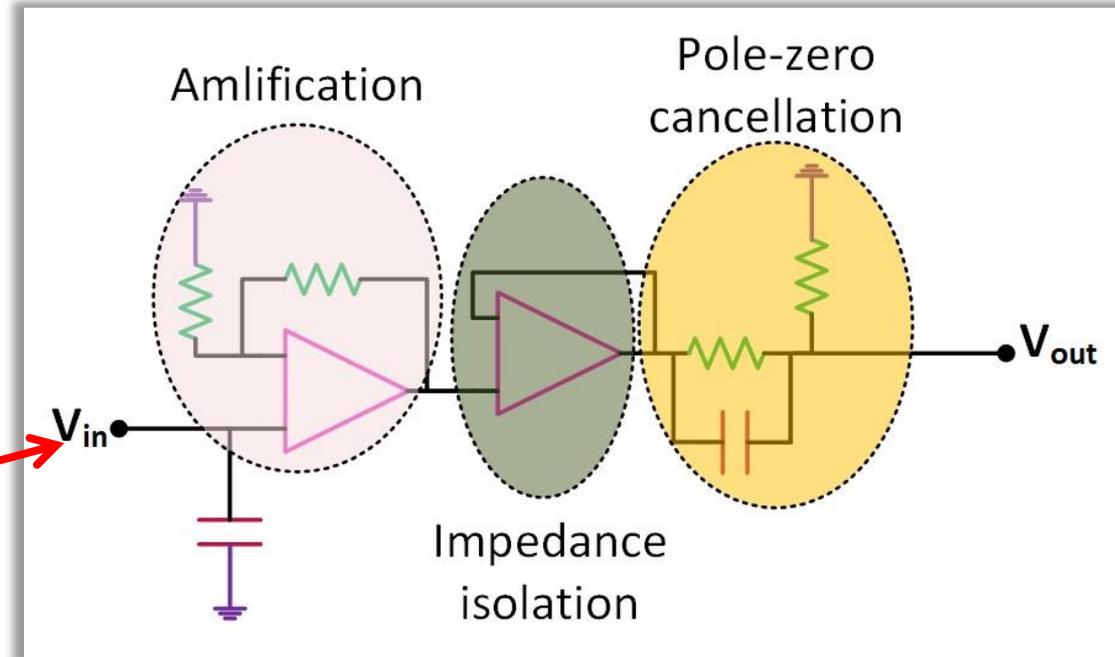
*PZC: Pole-zero cancellation, LED: Leading-edge discrimination*

# 2.4 Tests @ ISIS Muon Facility

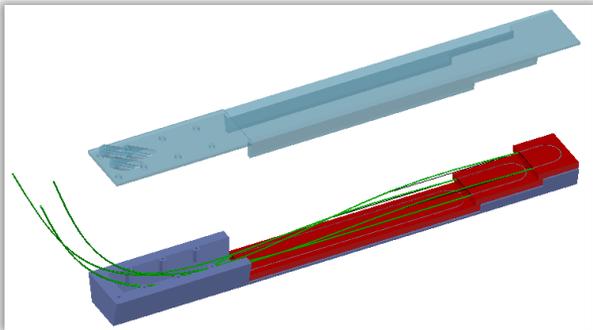
PS + WLSF



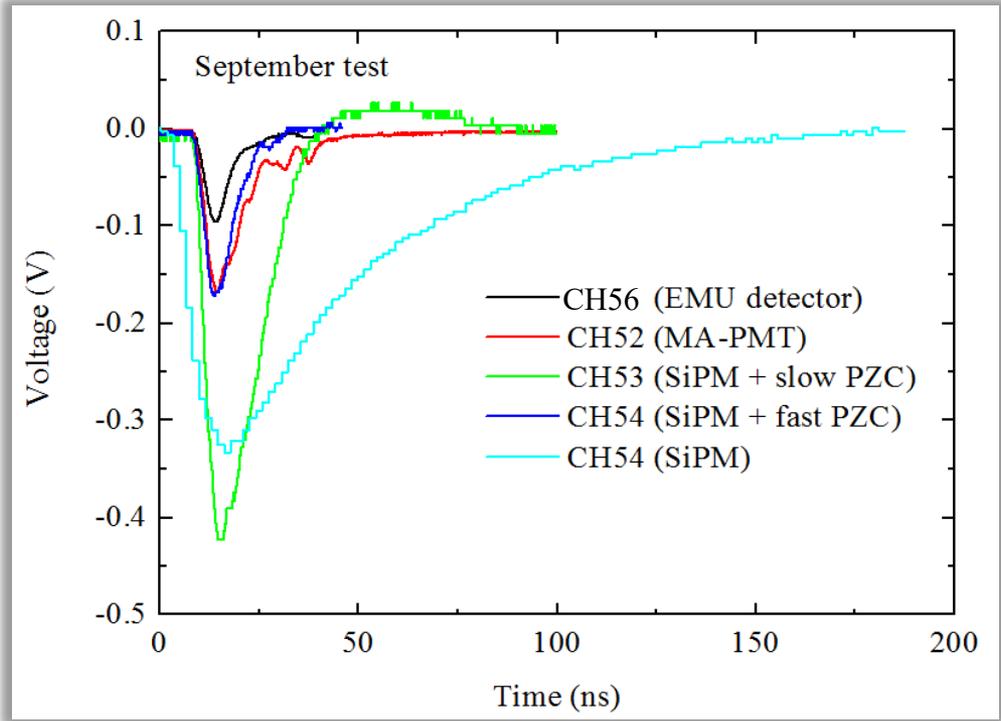
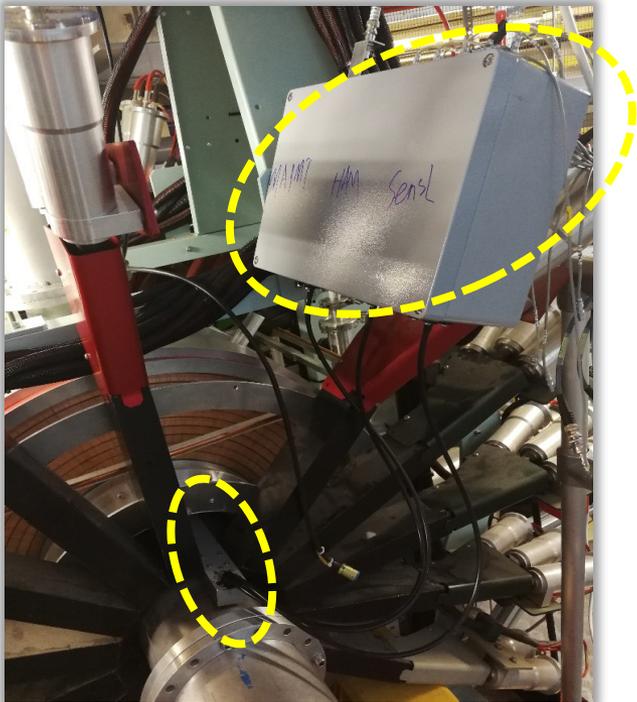
## Electronics



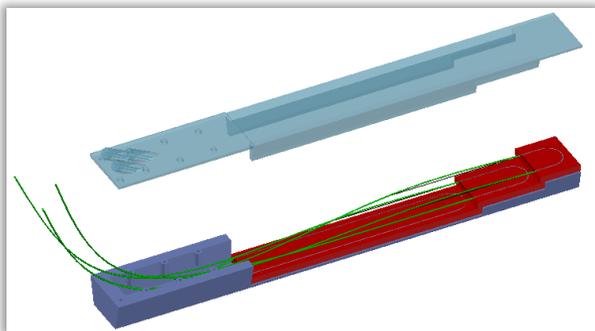
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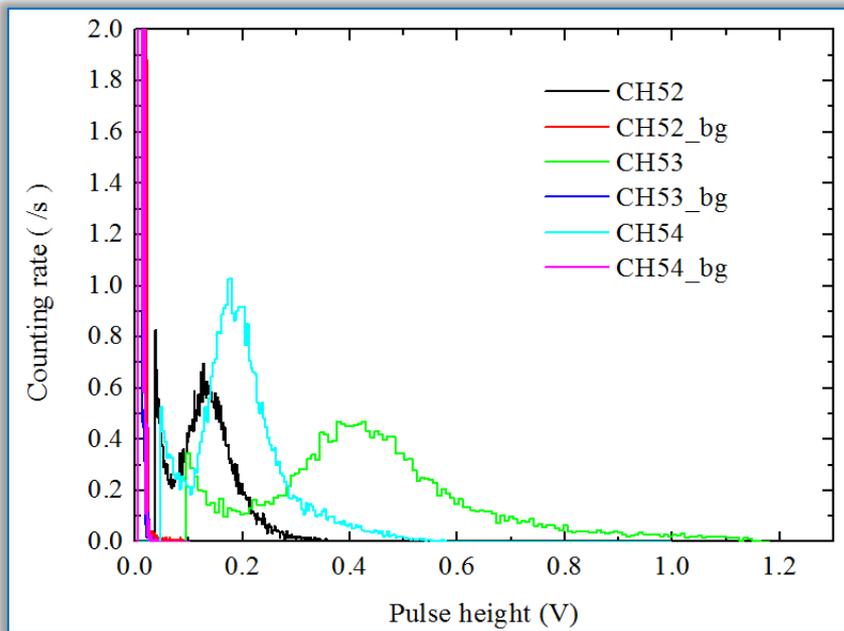
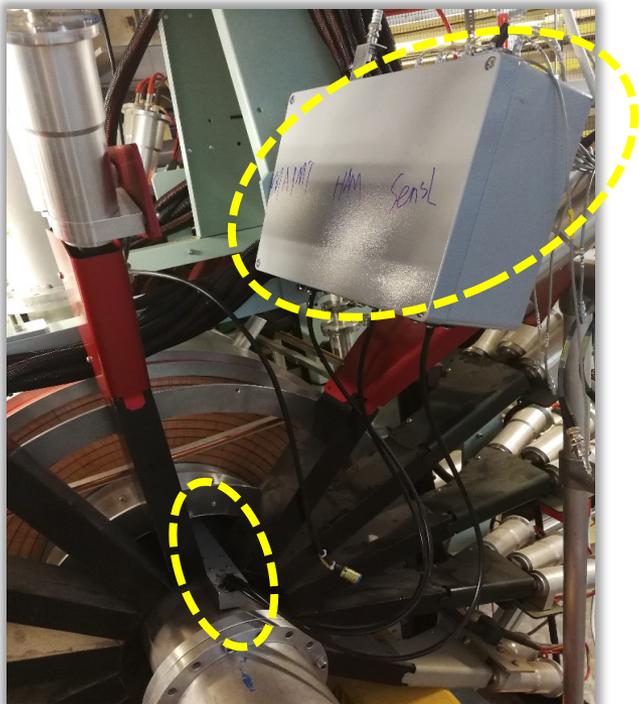
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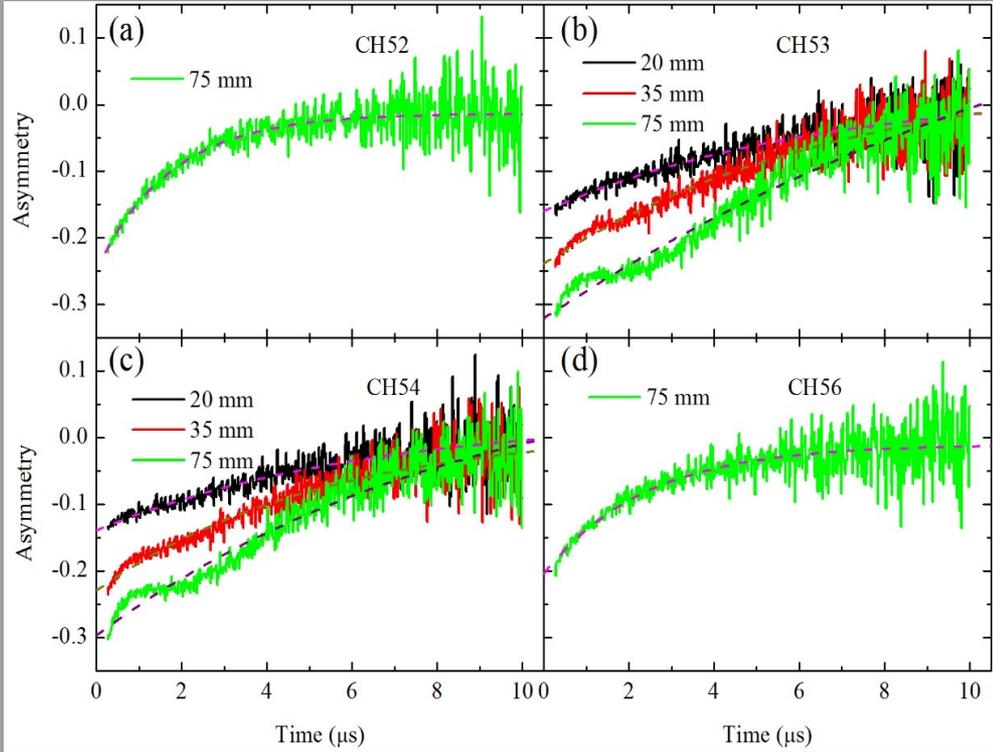
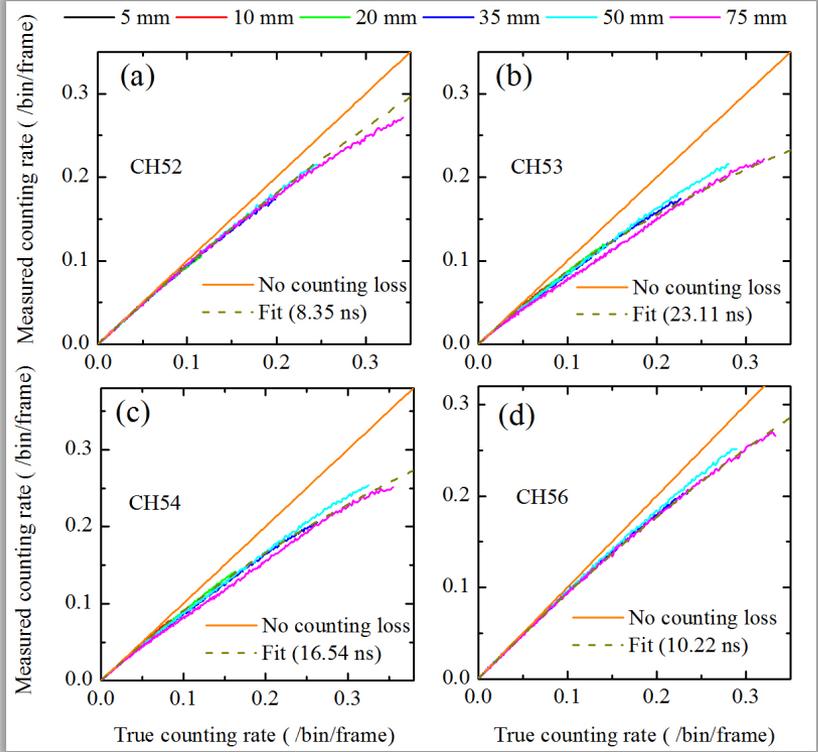
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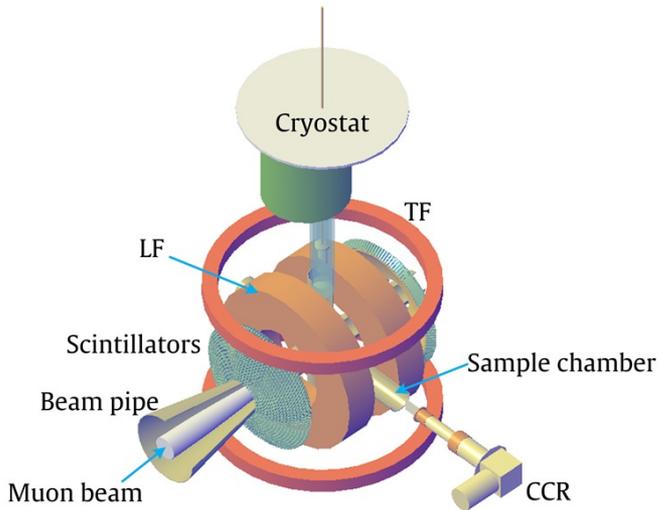
- ◆ MA-PMT和PMT死时间相当
- ◆ SiPM使用极零相消电路 ( PZC ) 后 , 死时间下降至20 ns左右
- ◆ 计数率高于18 events/pulse后 ,  $\mu$ SR谱出现明显变形

# 3. 总结与展望



# 3.1 Summary

## Day-One at MELODY



- 2868 PS+SiPM
- Asymmetry : 0.39
- Counting rate :  $8 \times 10^7$ /hour @ 1 Hz

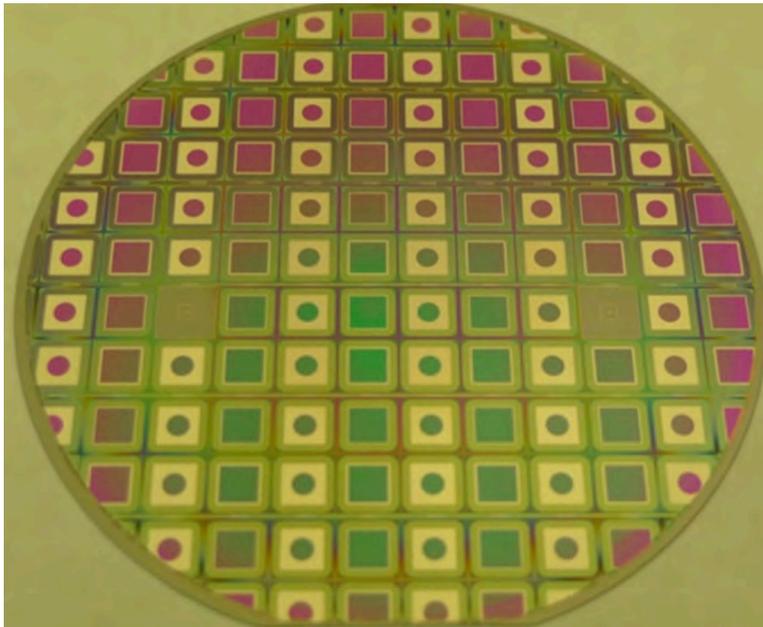


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- SiPM (sensl slow output) + PZC
- Dead time :  $\sim 20$  ns
- Fast output / PZC optimization ?

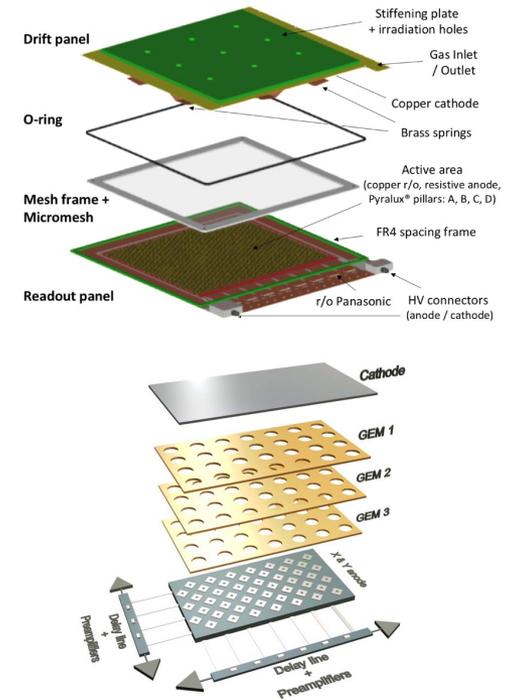
## Next-Generation Spectrometer ?

### LGAD



Small size:  $\sim \text{mm}^2$   
 Fast signal: 10s of picosecond

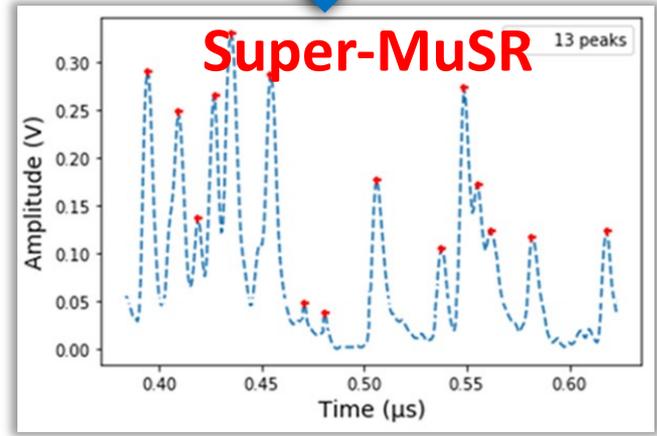
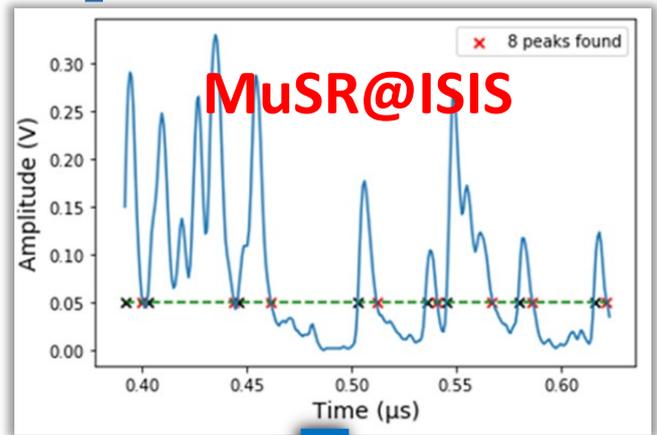
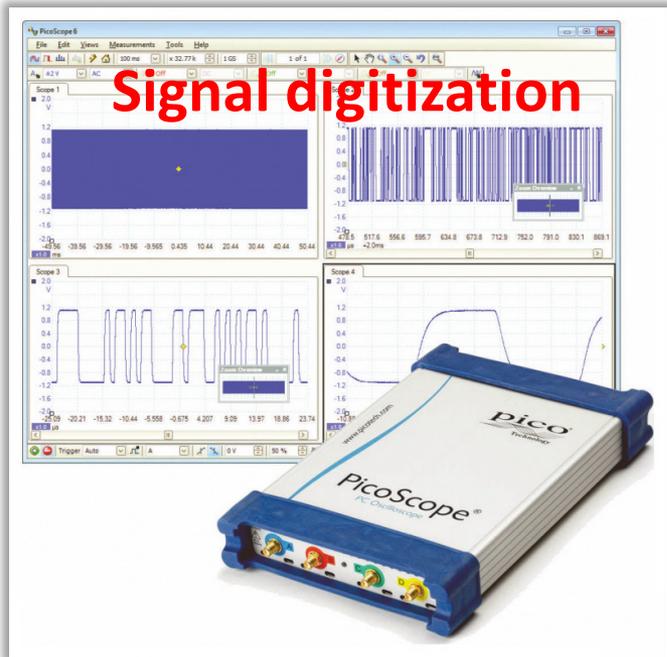
### Micromegas or GEM ?



High granularity (almost no pileups under current intensity)

# 3.2 Outlooks

## Next-Generation Spectrometer ?



# Thanks!



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