

Core-to-Core Program



MEG II実験に向けたDLC-RPCの 放射線照射による検出器への影響

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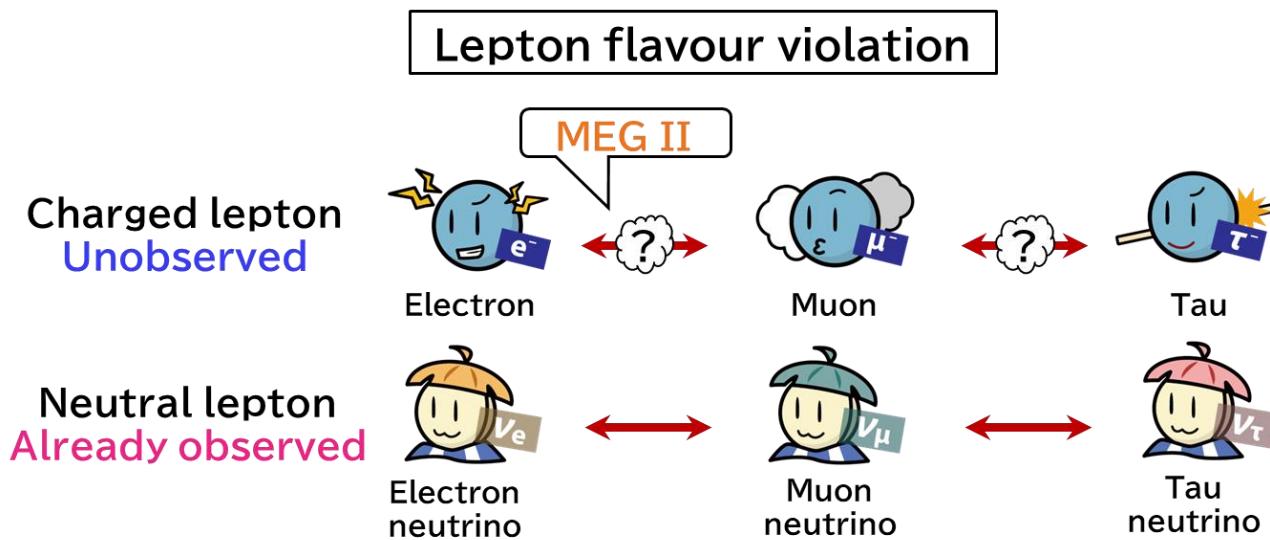
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Charged Lepton Flavour Violation

- In the Standard Model, lepton flavour is conserved
- Neutrino oscillation is observed
 - Flavour in neutrino sector is violated
- Charged Lepton Flavour Violation (cLFV)
 - Practically never occurs in SM: $\mathcal{B}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) \sim 10^{-54}$
 - Many new physics predictions in a measurable region
 - SUSY-seasaw, SUSY-GUT etc.: $\mathcal{B}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-14})$
- The discovery of cLFV is clear evidence of new physics



MEG II experiment

$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+\gamma$ search using the world's most intense μ^+ beam

- Upgraded from MEG experiment (2008 – 2013)
 - MEG result (2016): $\mathcal{B}(\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+\gamma) < 4.2 \times 10^{-13}$ (90% C.L.)



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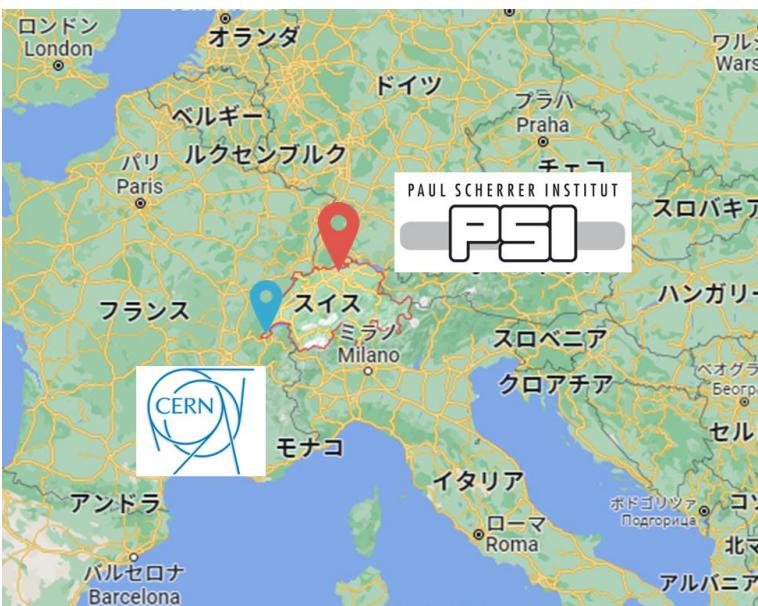


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MEG

× 2 intensity μ^+ beam
× 2 resolution everywhere
× 2 efficiency

Upgrade!

MEG II

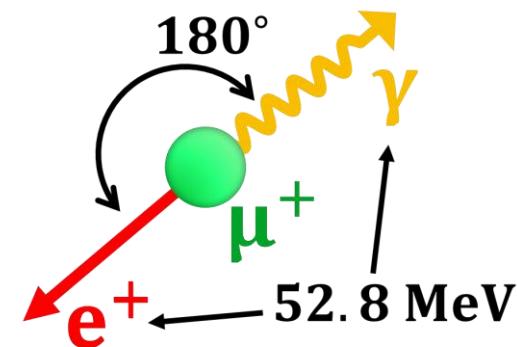
Search for $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+\gamma$ down to
 6×10^{-14} (90% C.L. sensitivity)

Physics run started from 2021 !!

$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+\gamma$ signal and MEG II detectors

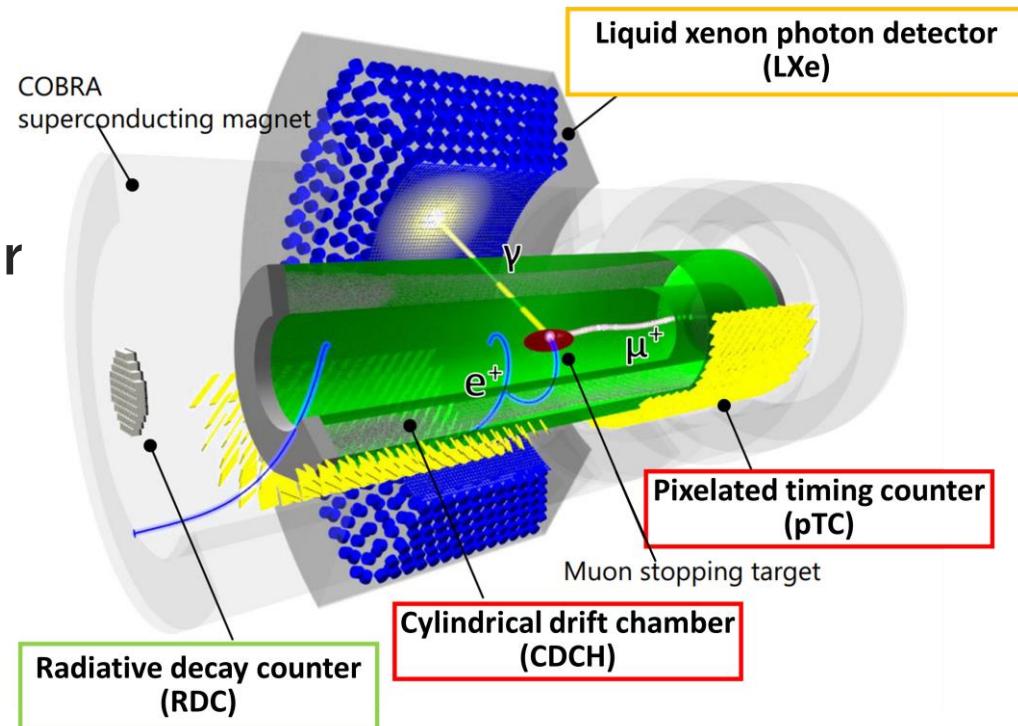
➤ The $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+\gamma$ signal features

- ✓ e^+ and γ have the same energy (52.8 MeV)
- ✓ e^+ and γ emitted at the same time
- ✓ e^+ and γ emitted in opposite directions



➤ MEG II detectors

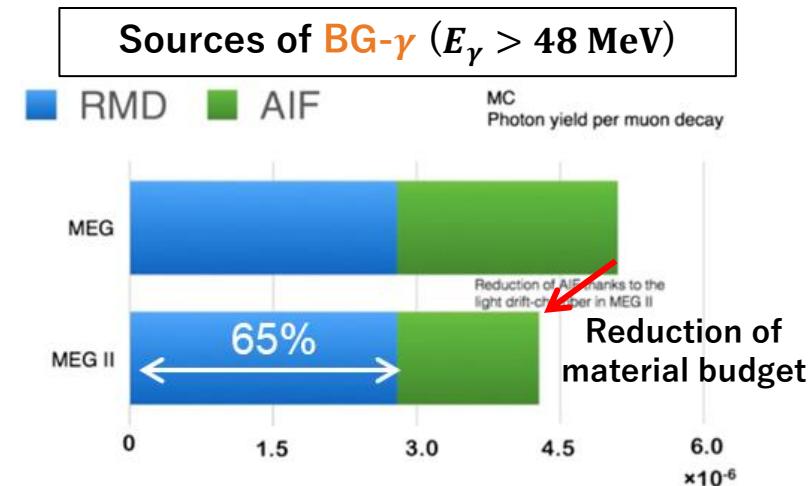
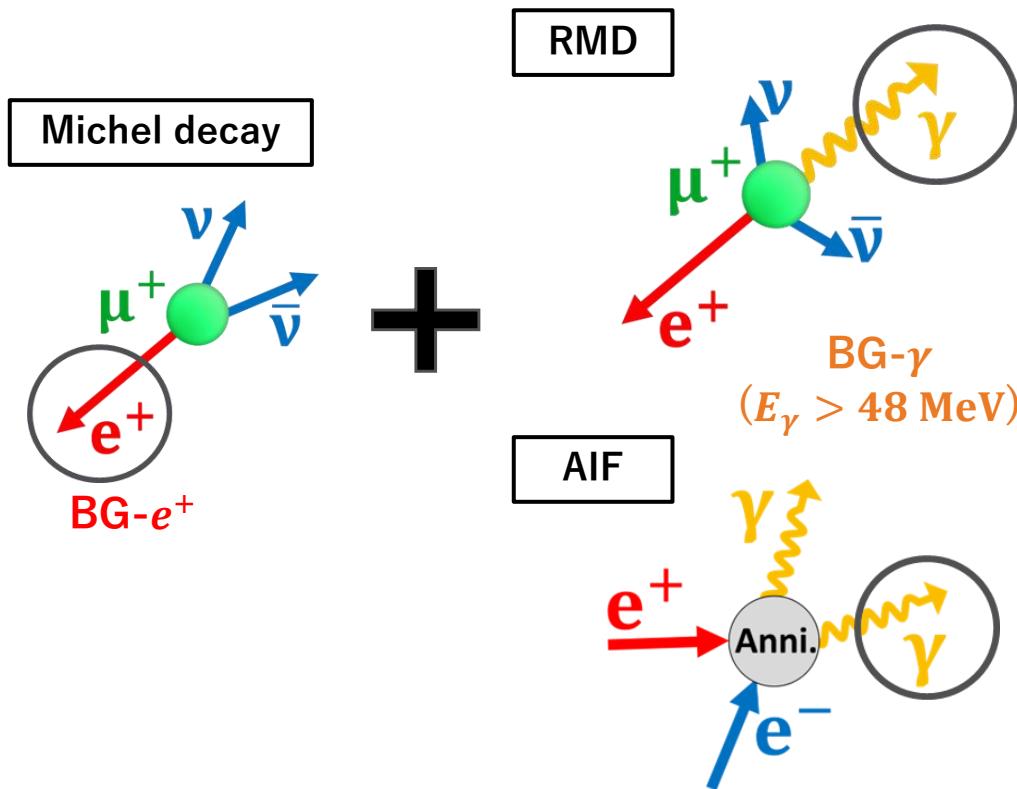
- γ detector
 - Liquid xenon calorimeter
- e^+ detectors
 - Drift chamber
 - Timing counter



Background in MEG II

- Accidental coincidence of **BG- e^+** and **BG- γ** with different sources

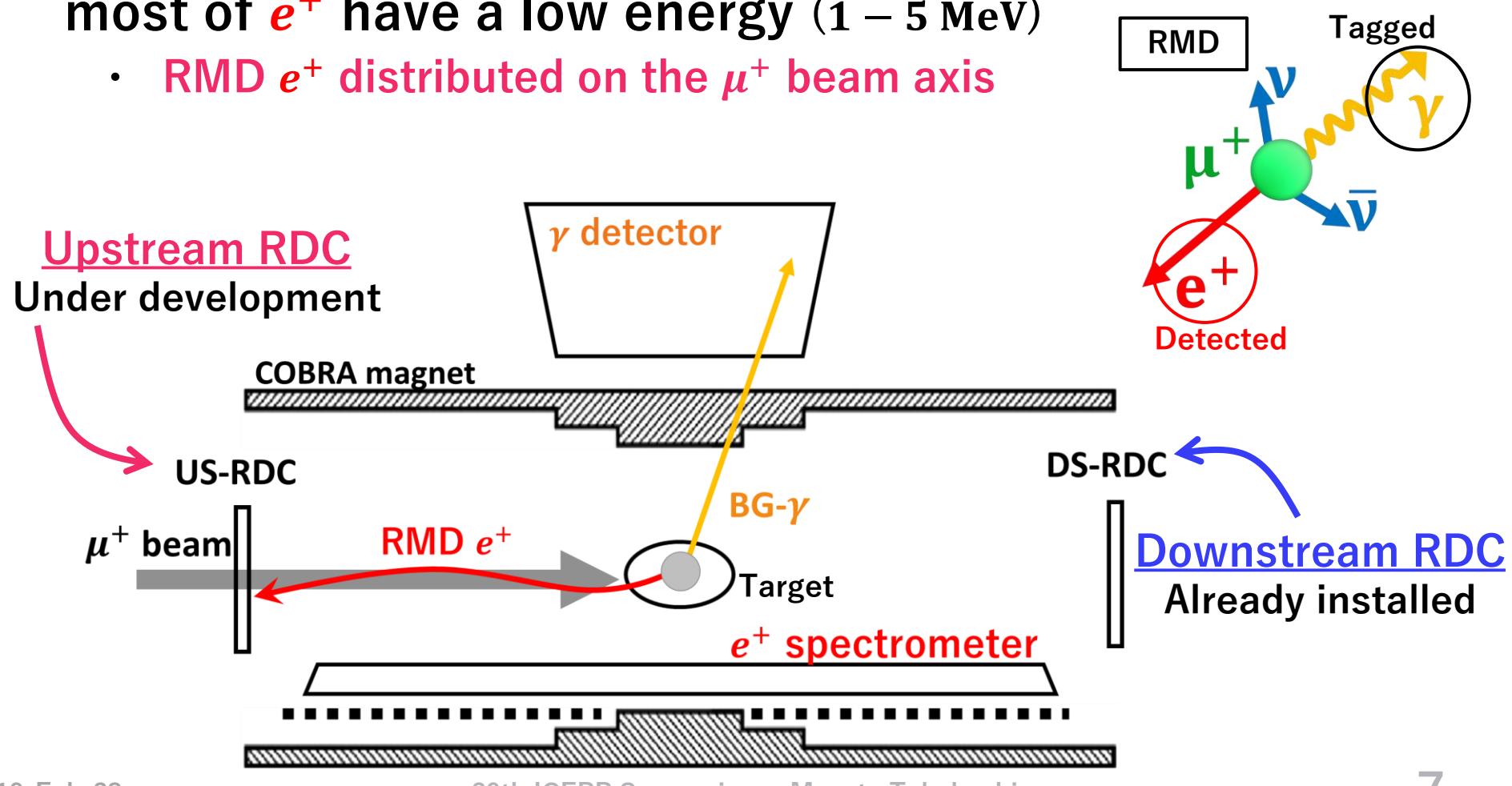
- e^+ : Michel decay
- γ : Radiative Muon Decay(RMD), Annihilation In Flight (AIF)



Identifying BG- γ with Radiative Decay Counter (RDC)

Radiative Decay Counter (RDC)

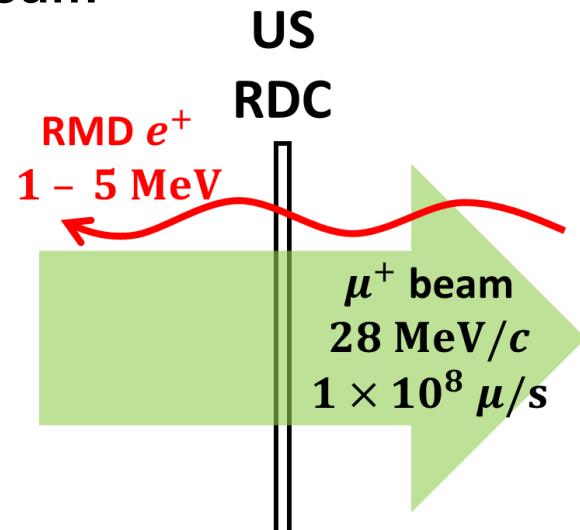
- Detector for tagging **BG- γ**
- When **BG- γ** have signal-like energy (~ 52.8 MeV) most of e^+ have a low energy (1 – 5 MeV)
 - RMD e^+ distributed on the μ^+ beam axis



Requirements for upstream RDC

- US-RDC needs to detect MIP e^+ from RMD in a **low-momentum** and **high-intensity** muon beam ($28 \text{ MeV}/c$) ($1 \times 10^8 \mu/\text{s}$)

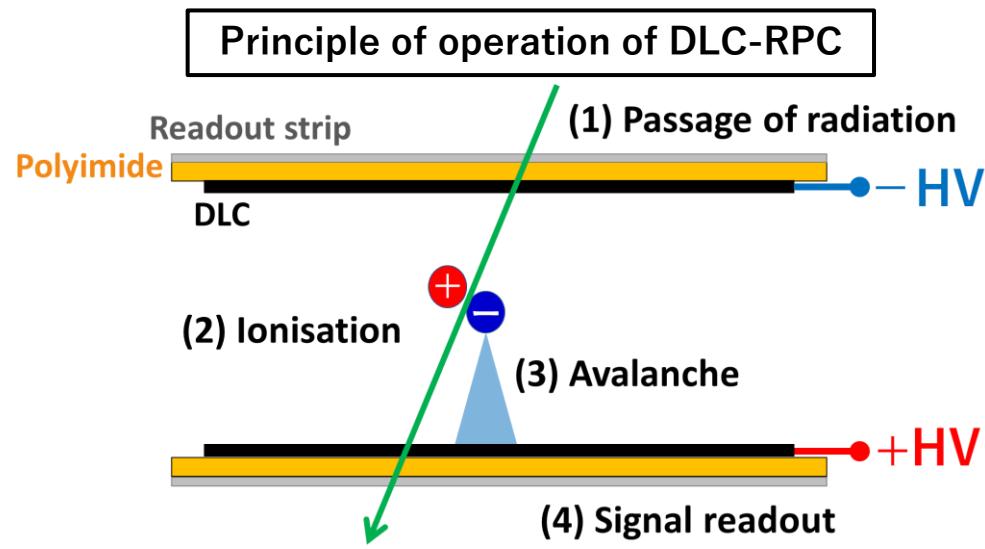
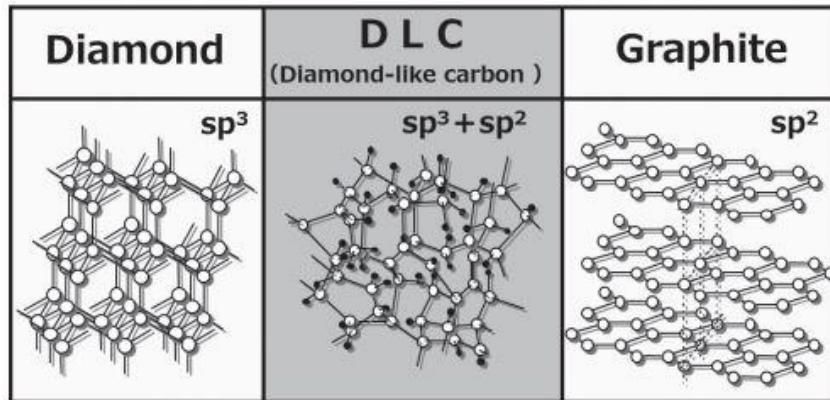
1. Material budget: $< 0.1\%$ radiation length
2. Rate capability: $4 \text{ MHz}/\text{cm}^2$ of muon beam
3. Radiation hardness: $> 30 \text{ weeks}$ operation
4. Efficiency: $> 90\%$ for MIP
5. Timing resolution: $< 1 \text{ ns}$
6. Detector size: 20 cm (diameter)



Developments of Resistive Plate Chamber (RPC) with Diamond-Like Carbon (DLC) electrodes for US-RDC

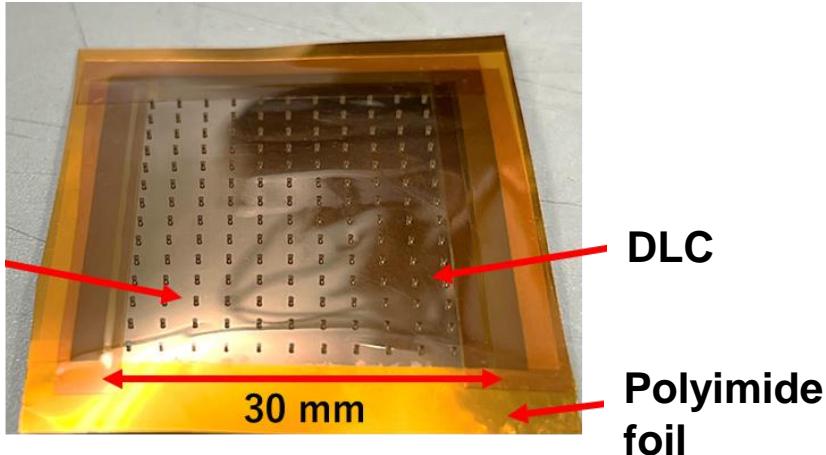
DLC-RPC

- DLC : high-resistance thin-film material
 - Small material budget by sputtering
 - Controllable resistivity by changing film thickness
- RPC : gas detector
 - Fast response (< 1 ns)
 - High detection efficiency (by multi layering)

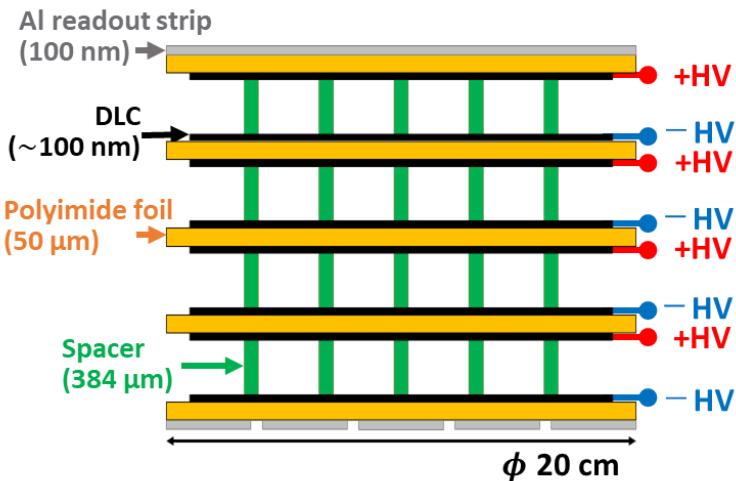


DLC-RPC for MEG II

DLC-RPC electrode sample



Scheme of MEG II DLC-RPC structure



Pillars for
spacer

DLC

Polyimide
foil

➤ Requirements for US-RDC and current status of DLC-RPC

Contents	Requirements	Current status
Material budget	$< 0.1\% X_0$	~0.095%
Rate capability	4.0 MHz/cm ²	1 MHz/cm ²
Radiation-hardness	> 30 weeks	N/A
Detection efficiency	> 90%	> 40% (with single-layer), > 90% (calculated)
Timing resolution	1 ns	160 ps
Detector size	φ 20 cm	3 cm × 3 cm (active region)

Purpose of this study

➤ Investigating radiation-hardness of DLC-RPC

- Radiation-hardness of DLC-RPC has not yet been studied
- Known ageing effects in conventional RPC
 - **Deposition** on electrodes
 - **Increased dark currents** correlated to fluorine deposition

→ We need to confirm in DLC-RPC as well

- How much irradiation causes ageing?
- Are there ageing specific to DLC-RPC?

➤ Li presents operation test and problems with the new electrode

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Requirement for upstream RDC

- Requirement of radiation-hardness in MEG II experiment
 - 30 weeks operation in a low-momentum and high-rate μ^+ beam
 - 28 MeV/c
 - 4 MHz/cm²
 - Not easy to take out after installation
- Evaluation of ageing of DLC-RPC performance due to irradiation
 - The integrated charge due to irradiation is compared with the irradiation doses of μ^+ beam
- Estimation of irradiation doses in μ^+ beam
 - (Charge) = (Avalanche charge) \times (Hit rate) \times (Operational period)
 - Average avalanche charge : 3 pC
 - Hit rate : 4 MHz/cm²
 - $3 \text{ pC} \times 4 \text{ MHz/cm}^2 \times 30 \text{ weeks} \sim \mathcal{O}(100) \text{ C/cm}^2$
- Irradiate as much as possible

Irradiation facilities and test

➤ Fast neutron radiation facility @Kobe Univ.

- 2022/6/20 – 2022/7/3
- Tandem electrostatic accelerator
- ${}^9\text{Be} + \text{d} \rightarrow {}^{10}\text{B} + n + 4.36 \text{ MeV}$
- $\mathcal{O}(10^8)$ Neutron with peaks at 2.0 – 2.5 MeV



➤ X-ray generator @KEK Platform-C

- 2022/8/29 – 2022/10/7
- Cu target
 - X-ray with 8 keV

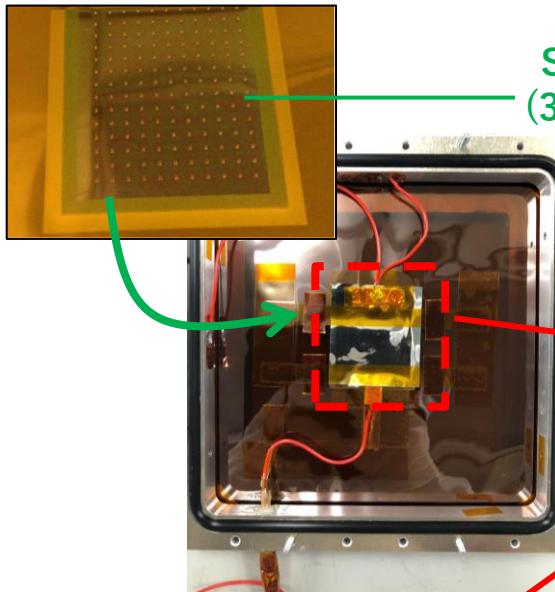


From these test,
Irradiation doses of $\mathcal{O}(100) \text{ mC/cm}^2$
were obtained

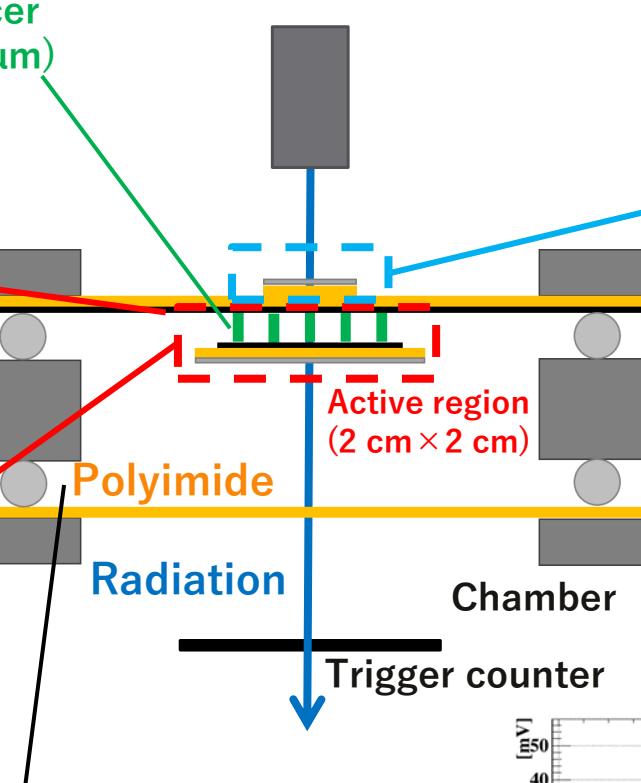
Setup of DLC-RPC

Inside the chamber

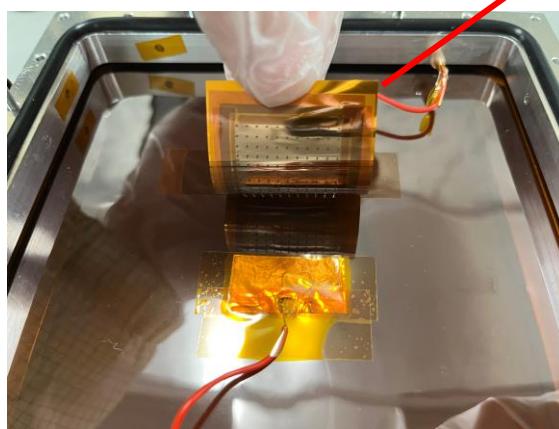
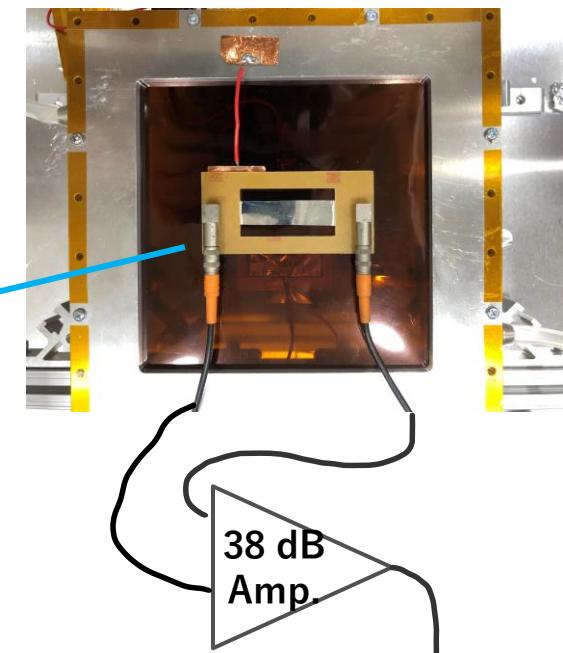
DLC-RPC electrode



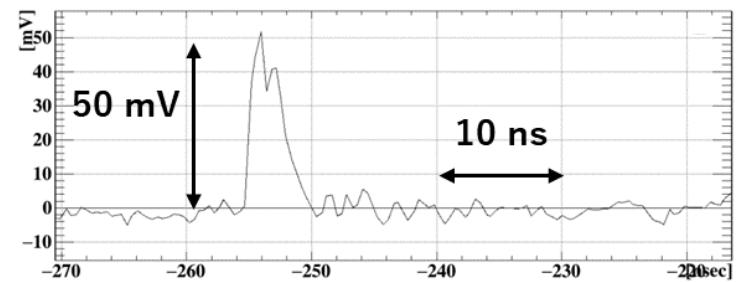
Scheme of the chamber



Readout strip



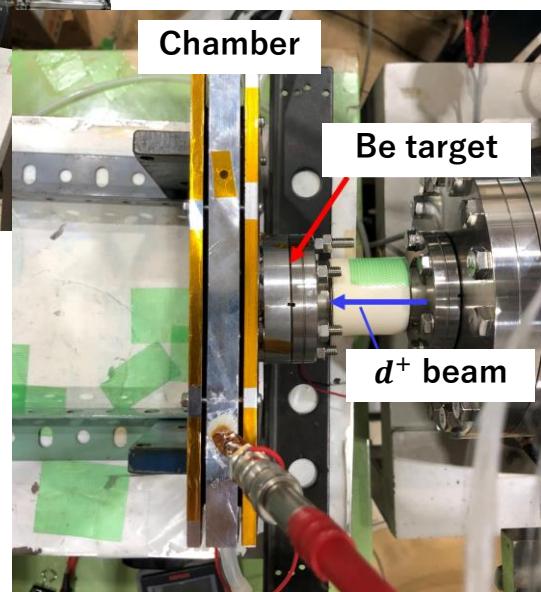
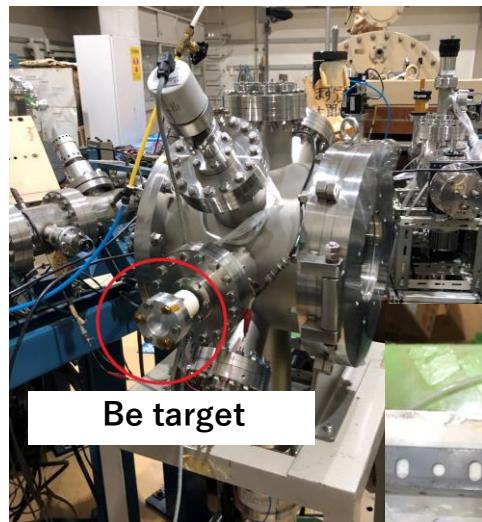
Gas mixture
R134a/SF₆/i-C₄H₁₀
= 94/1/5



Setup of irradiation test

- The chamber as close as possible to the output point

Setup of neutron irradiation test

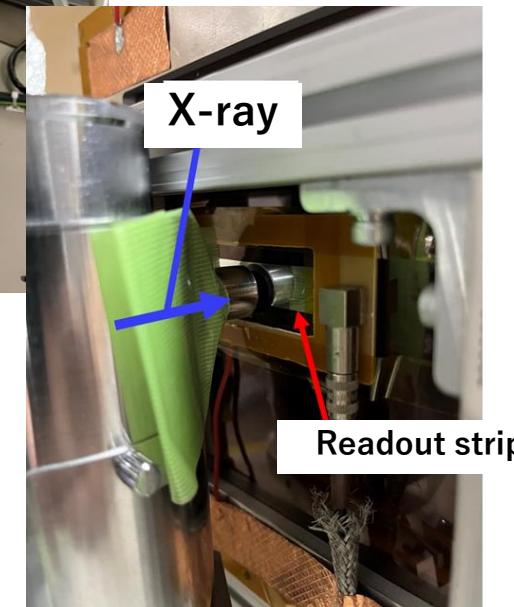


Setup of X-ray irradiation test

X-ray generator



X-ray

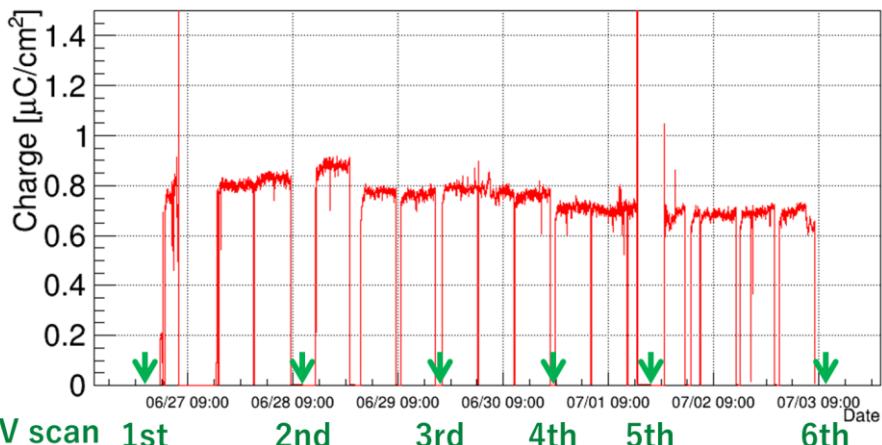


Results of total charge

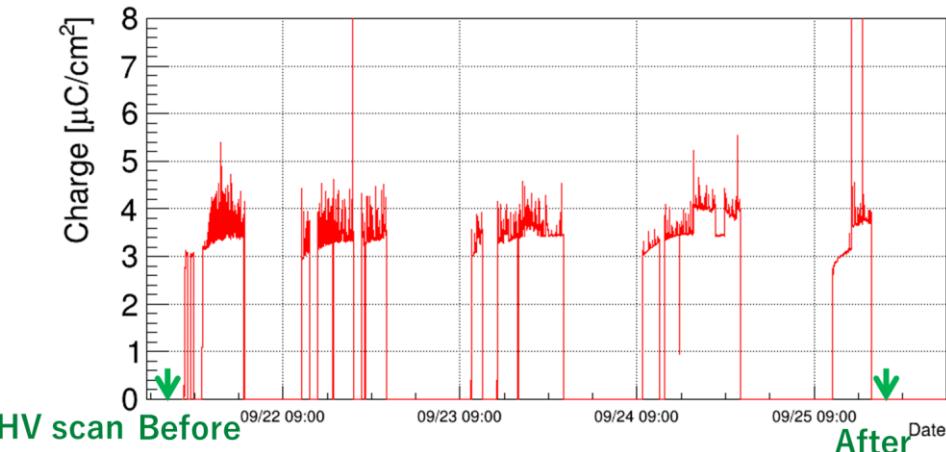
➤ Monitor detector current for irradiation dose evaluation

- Pulse height distributions for β -ray were measured to evaluate changes in performance of DLC-RPC due to irradiation
 - In addition, pulse height distributions for X-ray was measured continuously

Current during neutron irradiation



Current during X-ray irradiation



Total charge due to neutron irradiation

→ 165 mC/cm²

Total charge due to X-ray irradiation

→ 272 mC/cm²

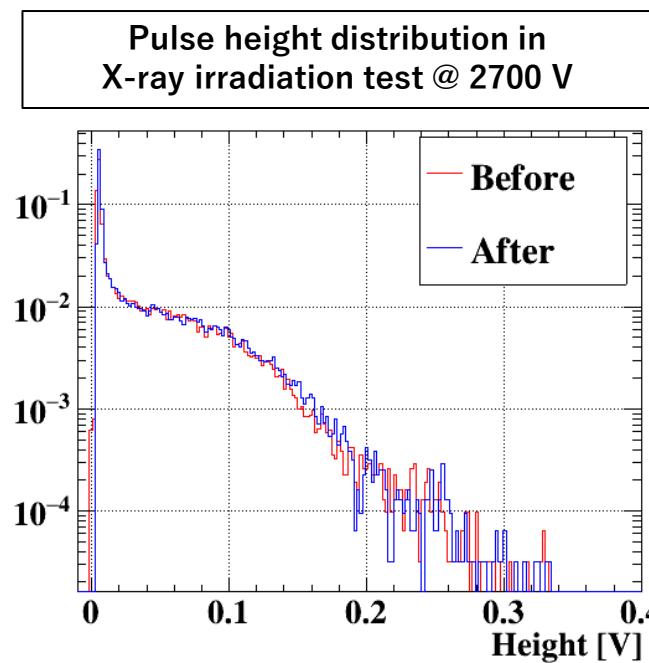
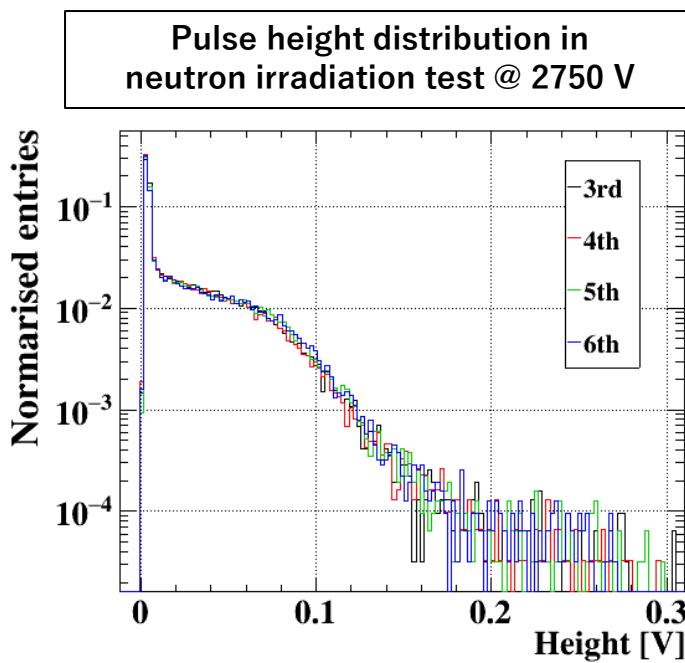
Changes in performance of DLC-RPC

➤ Neutron irradiation test

- 1st and 2nd, readout strip was not in place
- Agreement at 6.4% from 3rd and 6th

➤ X-ray irradiation test

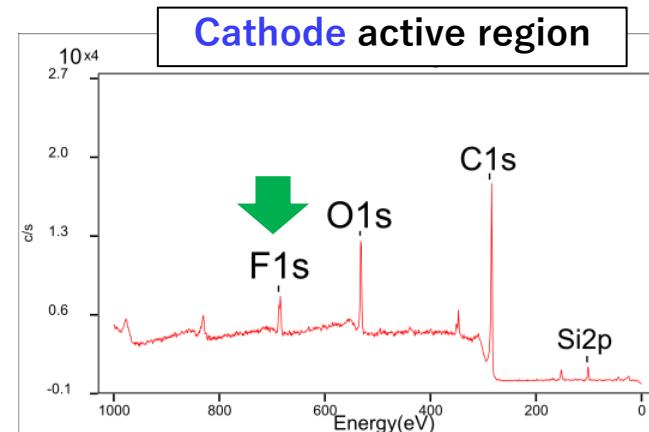
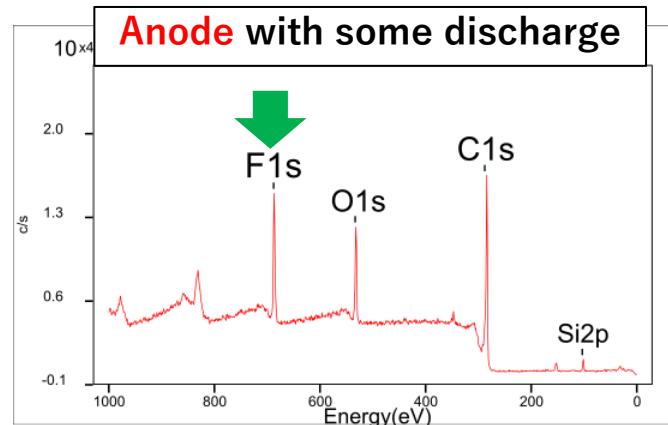
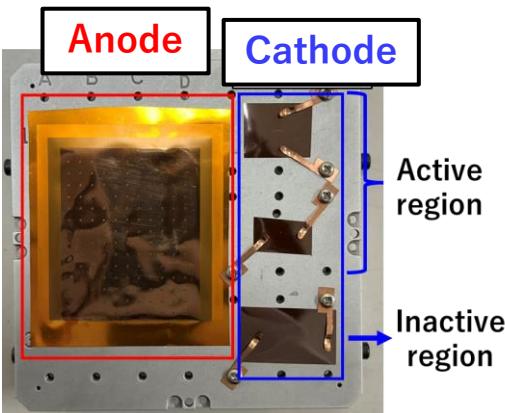
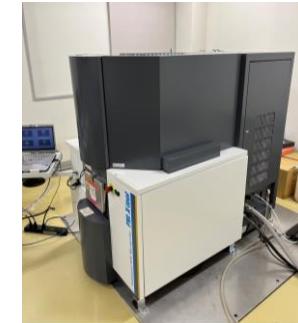
- Agreement at 5.3% before and after irradiation



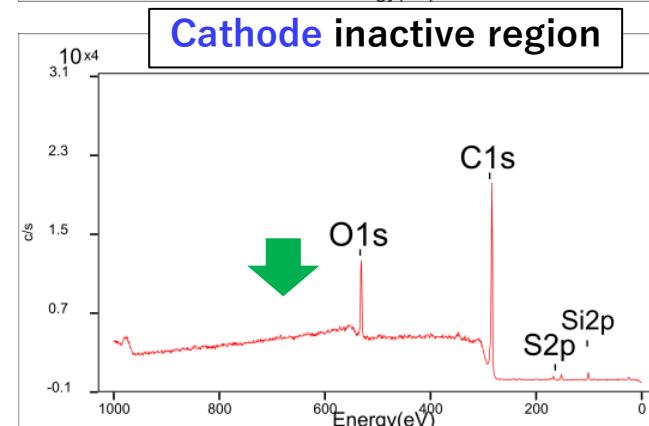
No significant ageing in performance DLC-RPC was observed
at irradiation dose of $\mathcal{O}(100)$ mC/cm²

Electrode surface condition survey

- Using X-ray Photoelectron Spectroscopy (XPS)



電極サンプル	C1s(%)	N1s(%)	O1s(%)	F1s(%)	Si2p(%)
Non-irradiation	79.03	3.19	17.78	—	—
Neutron irradiation (active region)	76.06	—	15.22	<u>7.37</u>	1.35
Neutron irradiation (inactive region)	72.82	3.02	19.72	<u>1.53</u>	2.91
X-ray irradiation (anode discharge point)	67.63	—	15.52	<u>14.51</u>	2.35
Cathode active region	74.82	—	17.22	<u>5.89</u>	3.68
Cathode inactive region	81.20	—	15.72	—	2.37



Ageing effect of DLC electrode

- Fluorine deposition on electrode due to irradiation
 - Proportional to the amount of charge generated
 - Fluorine does not deposit simply by being in contact with DLC-RPC gas
 - Ratio deposit to is higher for anode
- Fluorine source is the operating gas of the DLC-RPC
 - R134a ($C_2H_2F_4$): However, it is stable and hard to break a bond
 - SF_6 : Generated during avalanche
 - $SF_6 + e^- \rightarrow SF_6^{-*}, \quad SF_6^{-*} \rightarrow SF_5^- + F$
- Reports of the effects fluorine in other experiments
 - Reported on Guida, R., RPC2022 and Rigoletti, G., RPC 2022.
 - Fluorine deposition and gas contamination cause dark currents
 - Dark currents can be suppressed by quickly flowing polluted gases
 - Dark currents due to fluorine deposits on electrode are permanent

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Summary

- DLC-RPC is under development for MEG II US-RDC
 - The low-momentum and high-intensity muon beam passage
→ Several stringent requirements are imposed
 - First study on the ageing of DLC-RPC
 - Using fast neutron and X-ray irradiation facility
 - **165 mC/cm²** integrated charge by fast neutron
 - **272 mC/cm²** integrated charge by X-ray with 8 keV
 - Integrated charge was 3 orders of magnitude lower than that of **MEG II ($\mathcal{O}(100)$ C/cm²)**
 - Ageing effect of DLC electrodes
 - Fluorine deposition on DLC electrodes
- No significant ageing in performance was observed at this irradiation

Prospects

➤ Further long-term irradiation

- Investigate whether detector performance deteriorates
- Effects of dark currents due to fluorine deposition
- Additional, long-term stable operation of the detector will be confirmed

➤ To reduce ageing due to fluorine

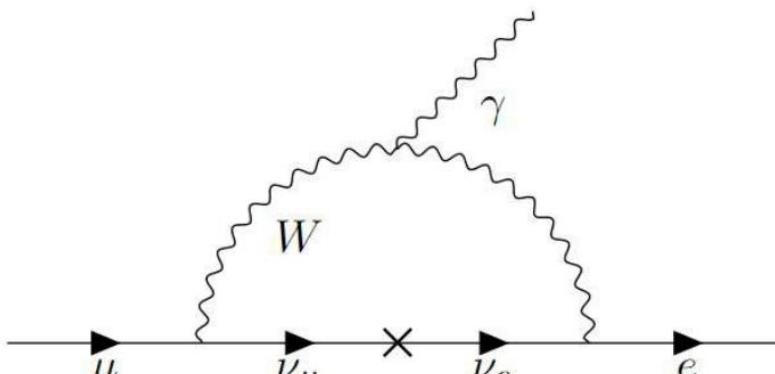
- Increased dark currents due to gas pollution reported by other experiments
 - Quick flowing polluted gas reduces dark currents

Backup

Charged lepton flavour violation

- In the Standard Model, lepton flavour is conserved
 - There is no explicit gauge symmetry
- Neutrino oscillation have been observed
 - Lepton flavour breaks between neutral leptons
 - Neutrinos have mass

ニュートリノ振動と $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ 崩壊



ニュートリノ振動を介した $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ 崩壊

$$\mathcal{B}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) = \frac{3\alpha}{32\pi} \left| \sum_{i=2,3} U_{\mu i}^* U_{e i} \frac{\Delta m_{i1}^2}{M_W^2} \right|^2 \sim 10^{-54}$$

α : 微細構造定数、 U_{ij} : レプトン混合行列、 Δm_{ij}^2 : ニュートリノ質量の二乗差、 M_W : ウィークボソンの質量

SUSYと $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ 崩壊

➤ MSSM

- ・ レプトンの質量行列を対角化した時、sleptonの質量行列の非対角成分は0でない
- ・ $\Delta m_{\tilde{\mu}\tilde{e}}$ によってsleptonのフレーバー混合によって $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ 崩壊が起こる
- ・ この時の $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ 崩壊分岐比は大きすぎる値が予想されている
- ・ LFVとFCNCの実験の制限から、SUSYの破れにはsleptonのフレーバー混合が抑制されなければならない
→ 超対称フレーバー問題

➤ $SU(5)$ SUSY-GUT

- ・ 右巻きsleptonの質量行列の非対角成分によって $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ 崩壊が起こる
- ・ 右巻きsleptonのみが $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ 崩壊に寄与するため、生成される陽電子のヘリシティは左巻きが支配的
→ $\mu^+ \rightarrow e_L^+ \gamma$ 崩壊が支配的
- ・ sleptonの質量が数百 GeV/c^2 の時、崩壊分岐比 $\mathcal{O}(10^{-14})$ となる
- ・ 二つのヒッグスの真空期待値の比である $\tan\beta$ が大きい場合はさらに大きな崩壊分岐比が予想されている

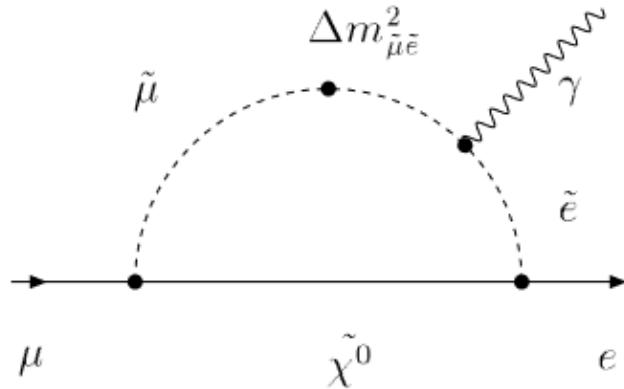
➤ $SO(10)$ SUSY-GUT

- ・ 左巻きsleptonと右巻きsleptonの両方が $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ 崩壊に寄与
- ・ 崩壊分岐比は片方のヘリシティのみが寄与する場合と比べ $(m_\tau/m_\mu)^2$ で増大される

➤ SUSY-seesaw

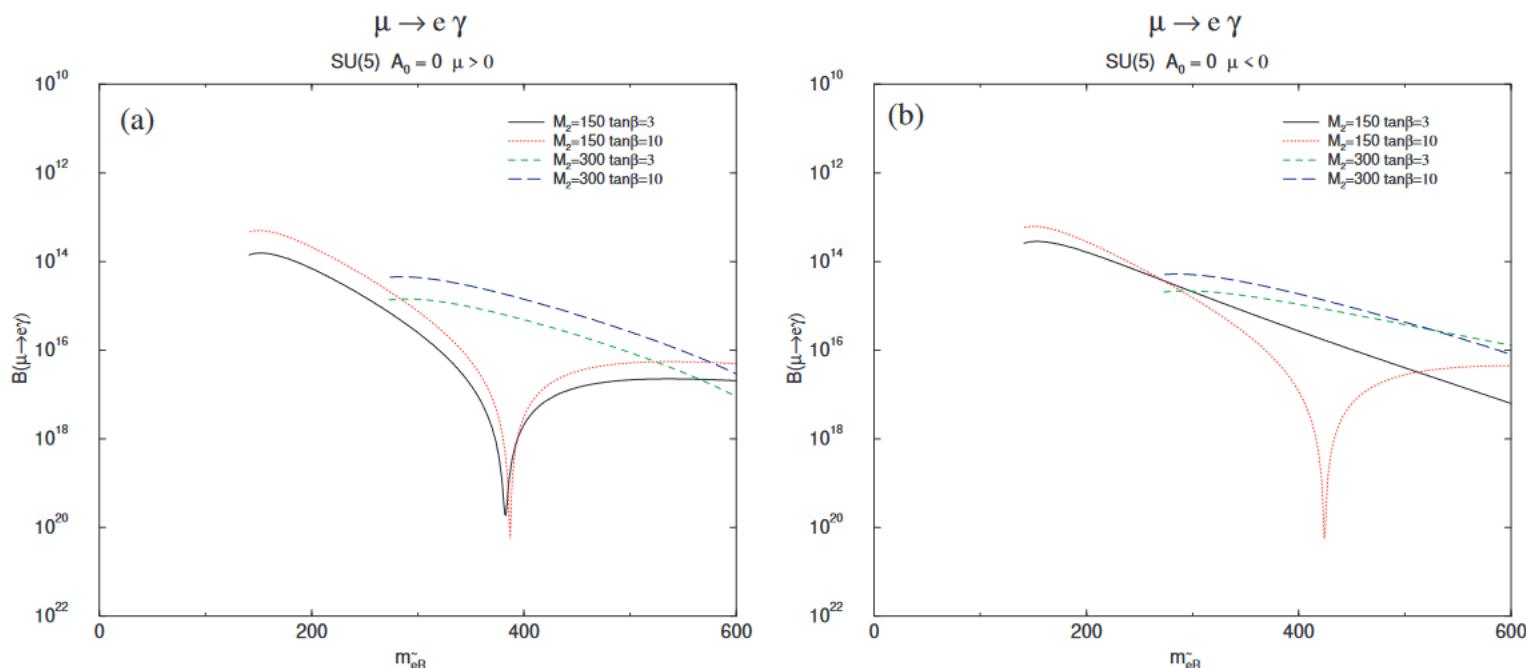
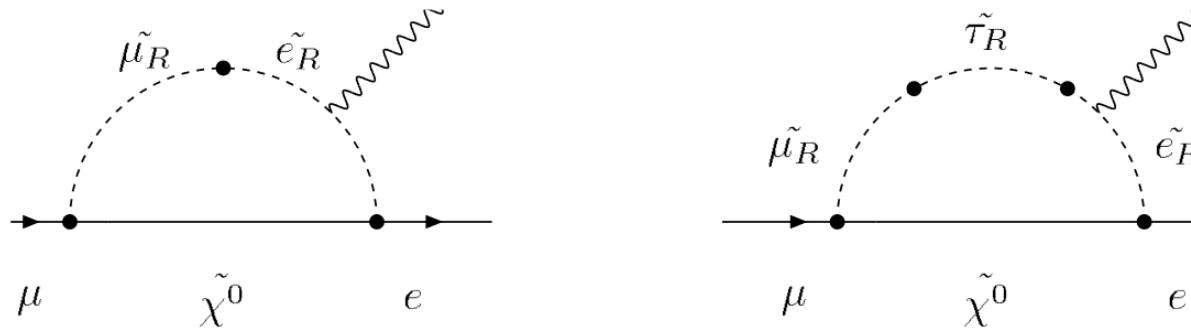
- ・ 重い右巻きニュートリノをMSSMに導入
- ・ ニュートリノ混合が新たな湯川結合定数に起因すると仮定すると、
ニュートリノ混合パラメータがsleptonの混合に影響し、 $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ 崩壊分岐比を予想できる
- ・ 重い右巻きニュートリノの質量を $10^{10} - 10^{14} \text{ GeV}/c^2$ と仮定すると、SUSY-GUTと同程度の分岐比を予言する

MSSMと $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ 崩壊



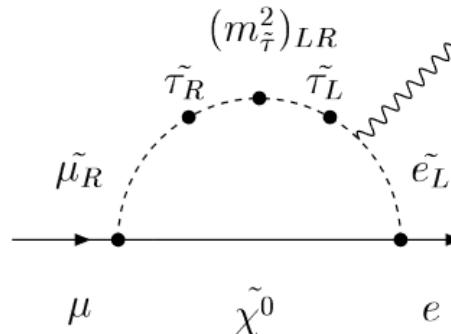
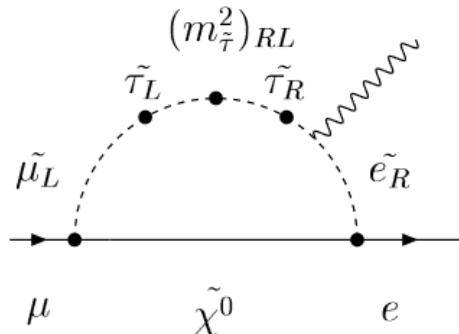
sleptonのフレーバ混合による $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ 崩壊

$SU(5)$ SUSY-GUTと $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ 崩壊

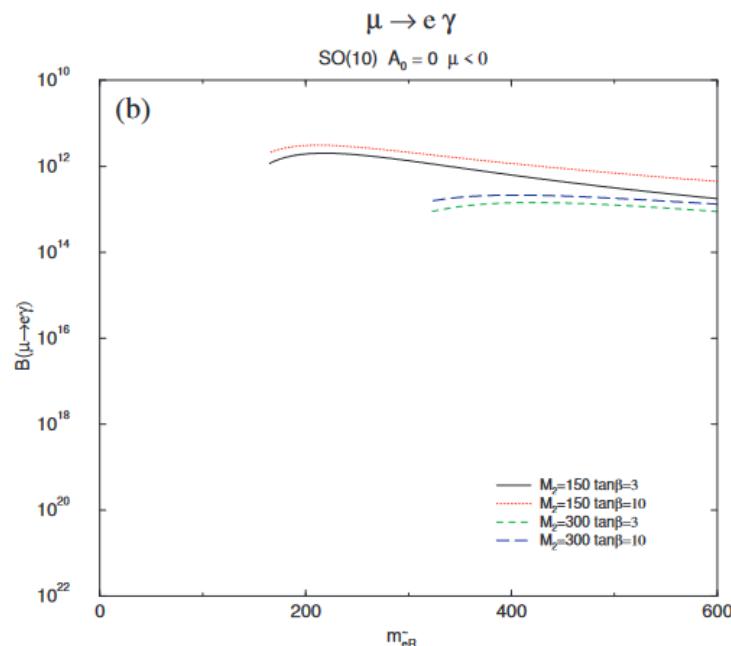
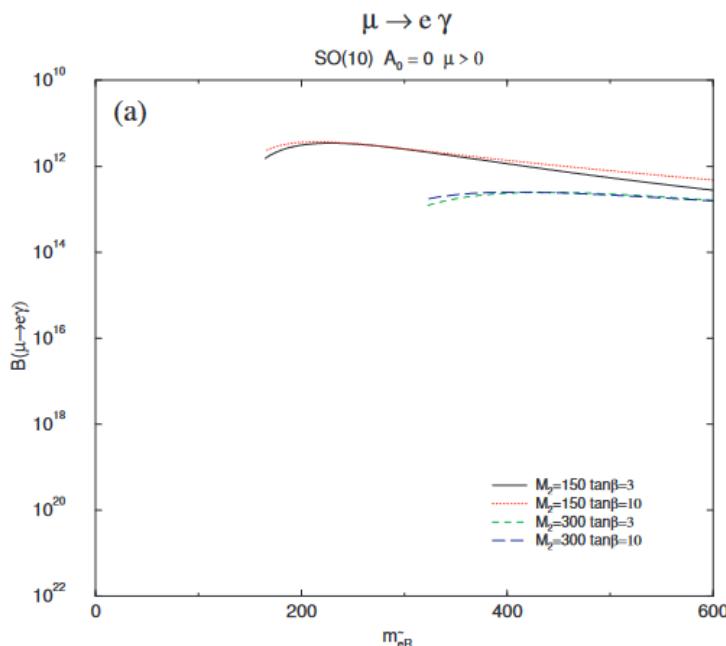


$SU(5)$ SUSY-GUTによる $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ 崩壊分岐比の例
 横軸は右巻き slepton の質量

$SO(10)$ SUSY-GUT と $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ 崩壊

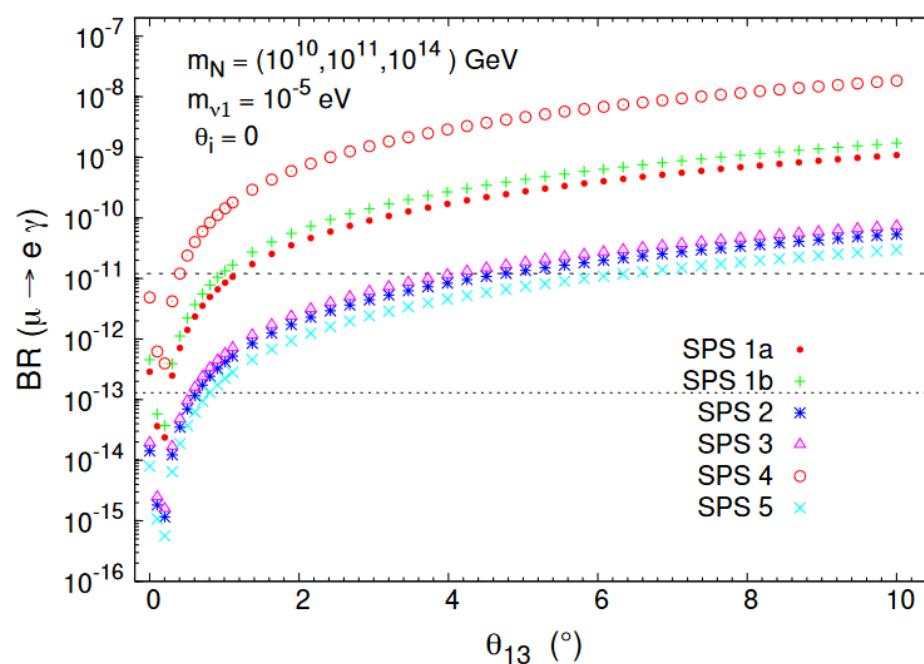
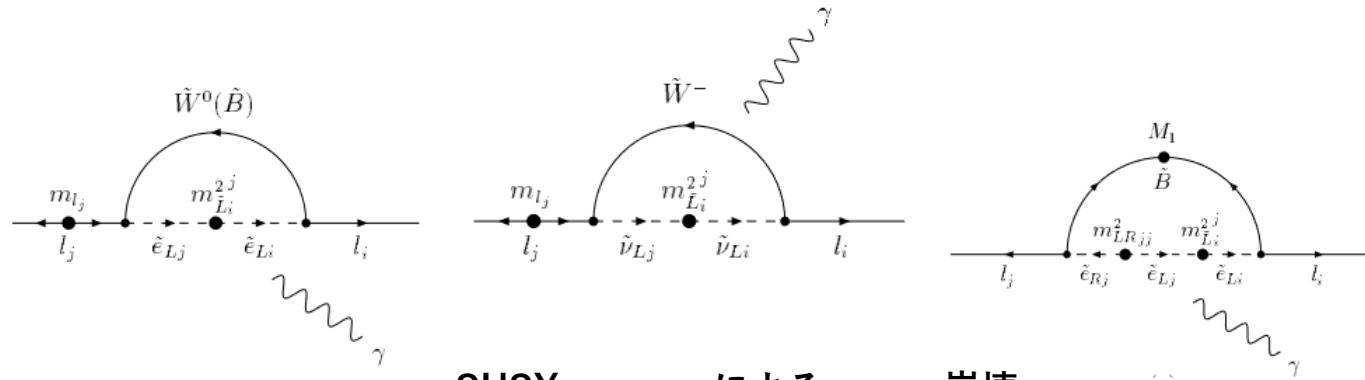


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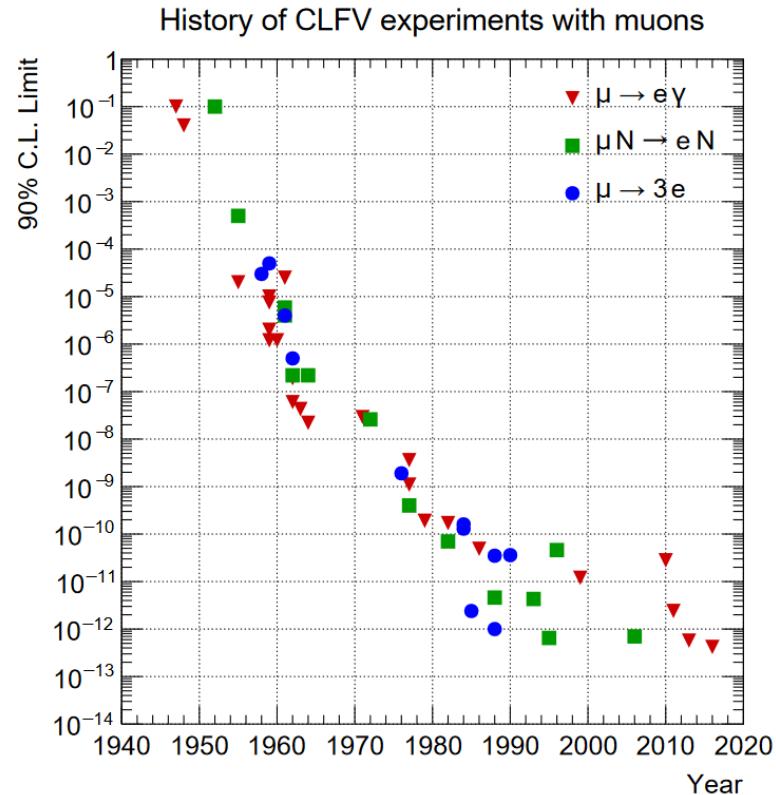
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SUSY-seesawによる $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$ 崩壊分岐比の例
横軸はニュートリノ質量の混合角 θ_{13}

cLFVを伴うミューオンの崩壊探索最新結果

崩壊モード	崩壊分岐比の上限値 (90% C.L.)
$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma$	4.2×10^{-13} [3]
$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ e^+ e^-$	1.0×10^{-12} [23]
$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \gamma\gamma$	7.2×10^{-11} [24, 25]
$\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ \nu_\mu \bar{\nu}_e$	1.2×10^{-2} [26]
$\mu^- \text{Au} \rightarrow e^- \text{Au}$	7×10^{-13} [27]
$\mu^+ e^- \times \mu^- e^-$	8.3×10^{-11} [28]



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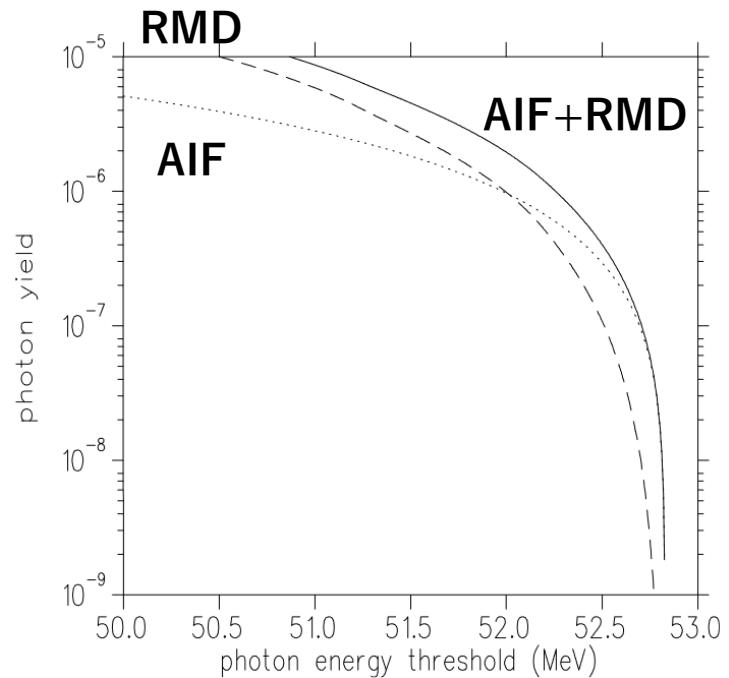
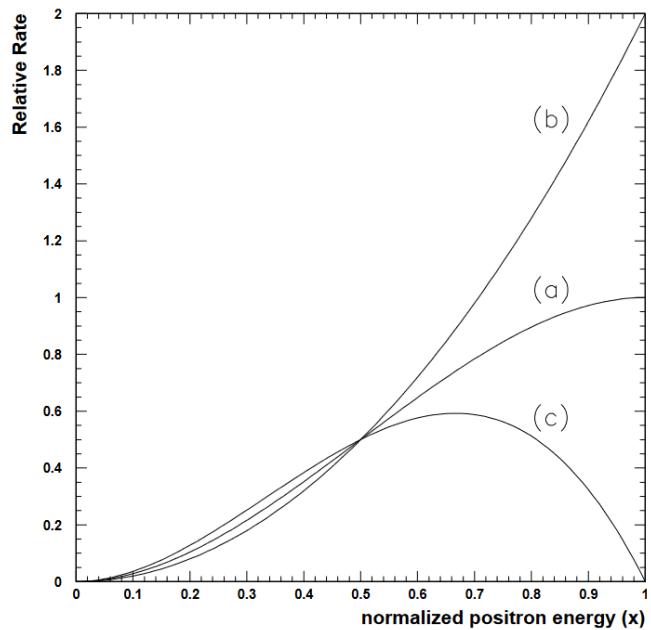
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MEG II実験における偶発的背景事象のエネルギー分布



➤ Michel陽電子

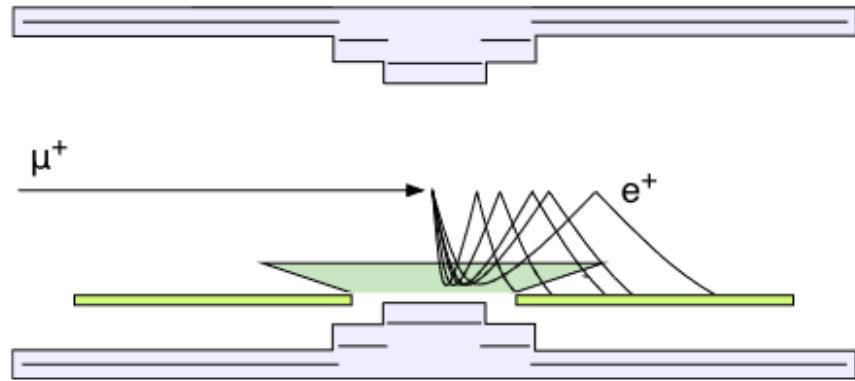
- 100%偏極した μ^+
- 微分崩壊分岐比は

$$\frac{d^2\Gamma(\mu^\pm \rightarrow e^\pm \nu\bar{\nu})}{dx d\cos\theta_e} = \frac{m_\mu^5 G_F^2}{192\pi^3} x^2 [(3 - 2x) \pm P_\mu \cos\theta_e (2x - 1)]$$

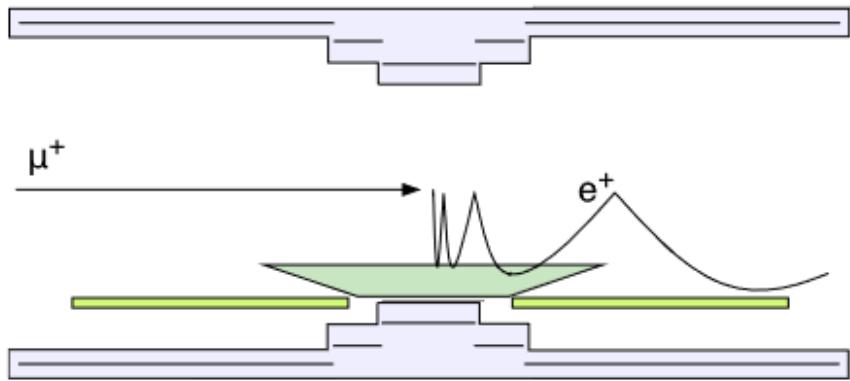
➤ 背景ガンマ線

COBRA電磁石

A)



B)



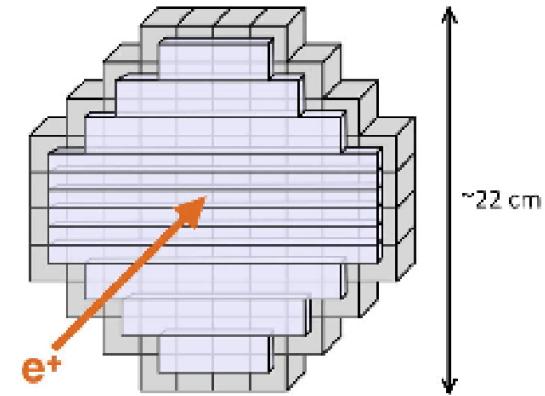
COBRA電磁石の形成する勾配磁場の概念
検出器模式図はMEG実験時のもの

➤ 勾配磁場を持つ COnstant Bending RAdius 電磁石

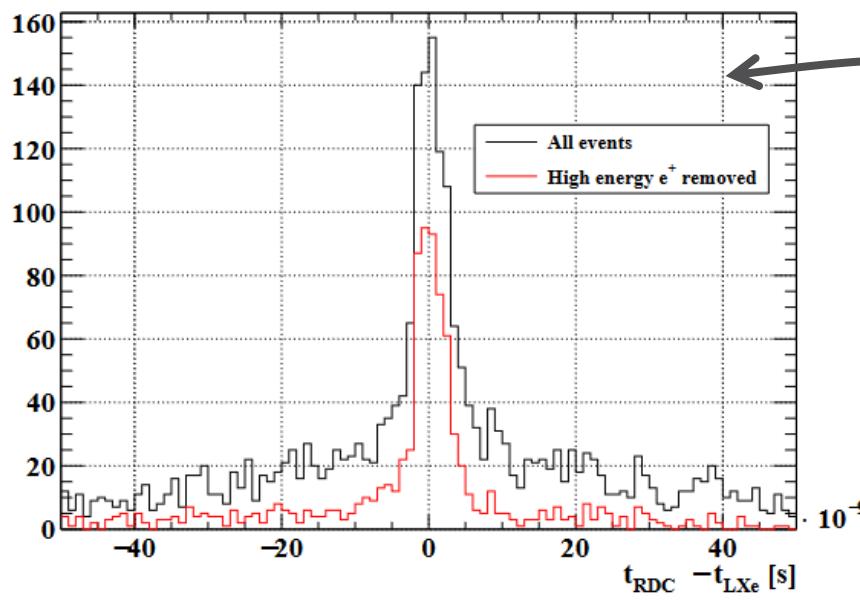
- A) 信号領域付近のエネルギーを持つ陽電子が放出角に依らず、一定の回転半径を持って運動
- B) μ^+ ビーム軸に垂直に放出された陽電子が検出層から素早く排出

下流側RDC

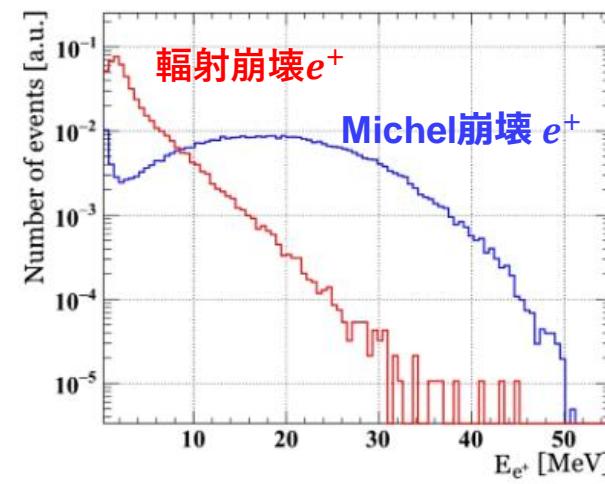
- 前方に時間測定用のプラスチックシンチレータ
- 後方にエネルギー測定用のLYSO結晶



下流側RDCでの陽電子検出とLxeでのガンマ線検出の時間差



RDCの位置での陽電子のエネルギー

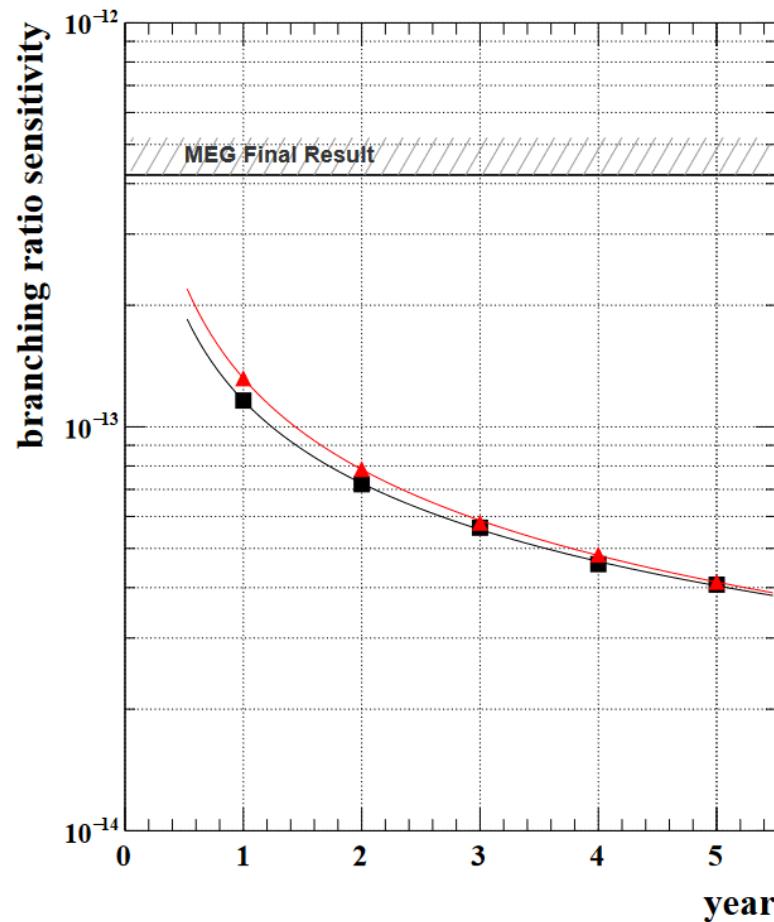


MEG II実験の検出器性能

	MEG 実験	MEG II design	MEG II updated
e^+ の運動量分解能 $\sigma_{p_{e^+}}$ (keV/c)	380	130	100
e^+ の角度分解能 $\sigma_{\theta_{e^+}}$ (mrad)	9.4	5.3	6.7
γ のエネルギー分解能 σ_{E_γ} (%) ($w < 2$ cm)/($w > 2$ cm)	2.4 / 1.7	1.1 / 1.0	1.7 / 1.7
γ の位置分解能 σ_{x_γ} (mm)	5	2.4	2.4
e^+ と γ の時間分解能 $\sigma_{t_{e^+\gamma}}$ (ps)	122	84	70
e^+ の検出効率 ϵ_{e^+} (%)	30	70	65
γ の検出効率 ϵ_γ (%)	63	69	69

- Baldini, A. M. et al., “The Search for $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+\gamma$ with 10^{14} Sensitivity: The Upgrade of the MEG II Experiment”, Symmetry 13 (2021)

MEG II実験で予想される探索感度

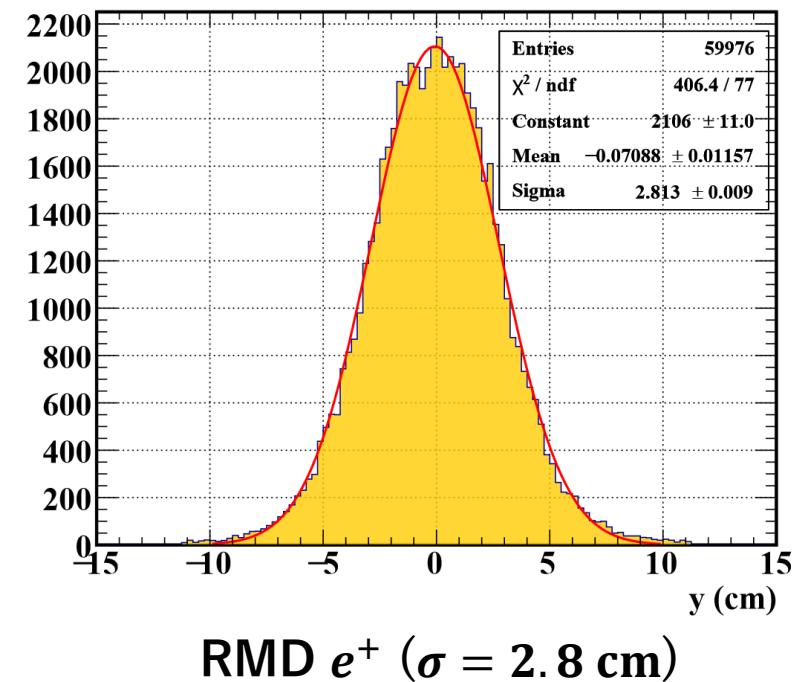
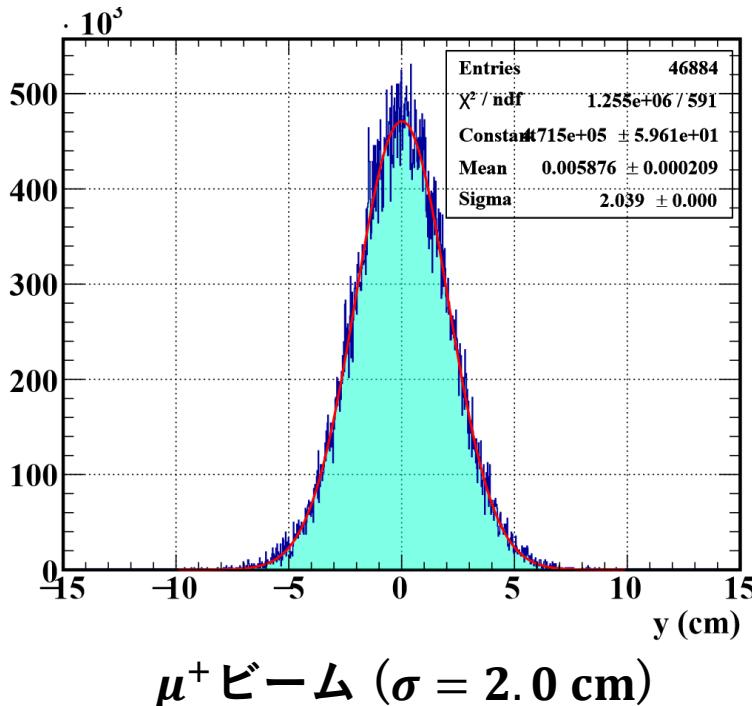


➤ 上流側RDCの寄与は含んでいない

- Onda, R., “Suppression of γ -ray background for the highest sensitivity of $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+\gamma$ search in MEG II experiment”, Ph. D. dissertation, The University of Tokyo (2021) により計算

μ^+ ビームとRMD e^+ の分布

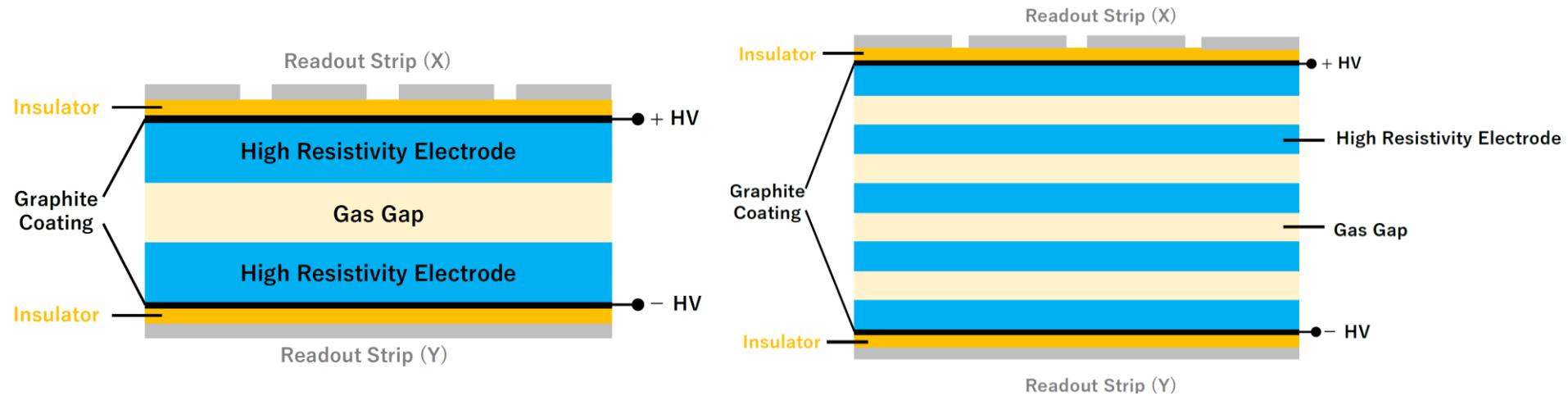
- MCより、どちらも中心付近に多い分布
→ 検出器中心に孔を空けることはできない



従来型のResistive Plate Chamber

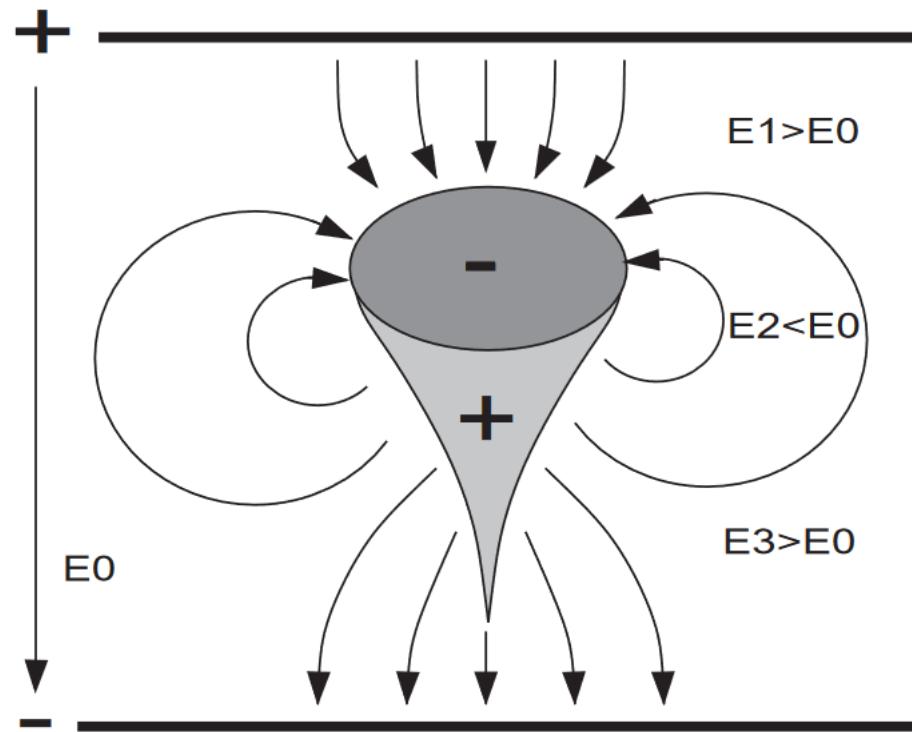
➤ 高抵抗電極にはガラスが用いられることが多い

- ガラスの体積抵抗率は一般的には $10^{13} \Omega\text{cm}$
 - 酸化物の添加により $10^8 - 10^9 \Omega\text{cm}$
 - この場合のレート耐性は 100 kHz/cm^2 まで報告されている
(Liu, Z. et al., NIM A 959 (2020))



空間電荷効果

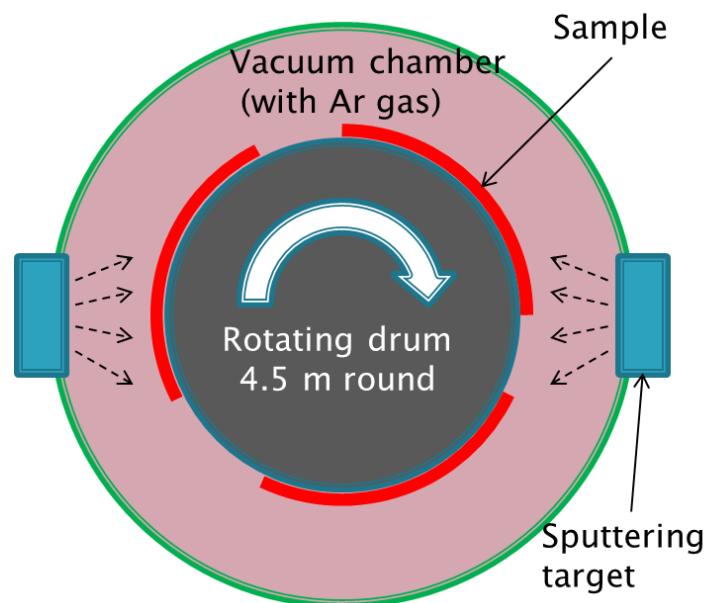
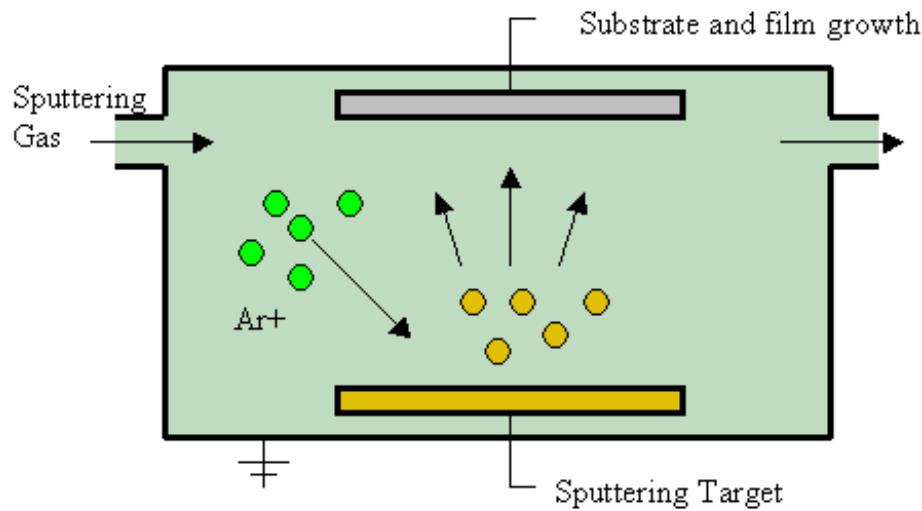
- $10^7 - 10^8$ 程度の增幅率で增幅が飽和する



DLCスパッタリング

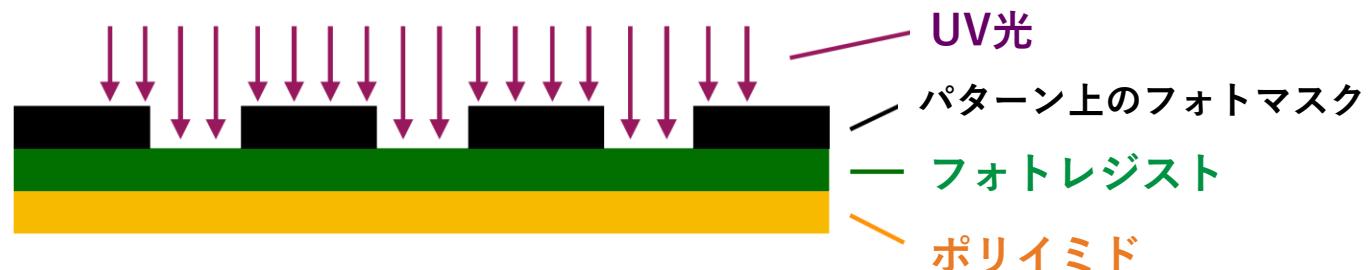
➤ スパッタリング法

1. 真空中で不活性ガス(主にAr)を添加する
2. 蒸着材料に負の電荷を与える
→ グロー放電を起こし、ガス原子をイオン化
3. ガスイオンを高速でターゲットに衝突させる
4. 叩き出されたターゲット構成粒子が
基板表面に付着・堆積
→ 薄膜を形成



フォトレジストの取付

1. マスクをかけてUV光で露光する



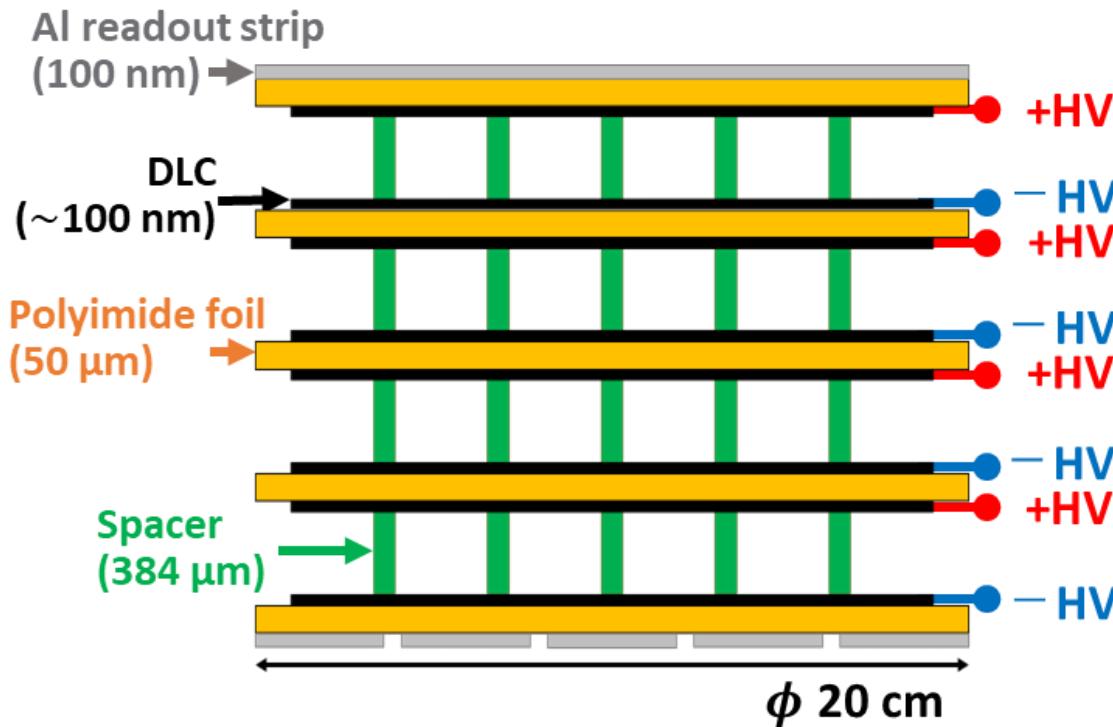
2. 現像液によって非露光領域を溶かす



3. ピラーが完成する



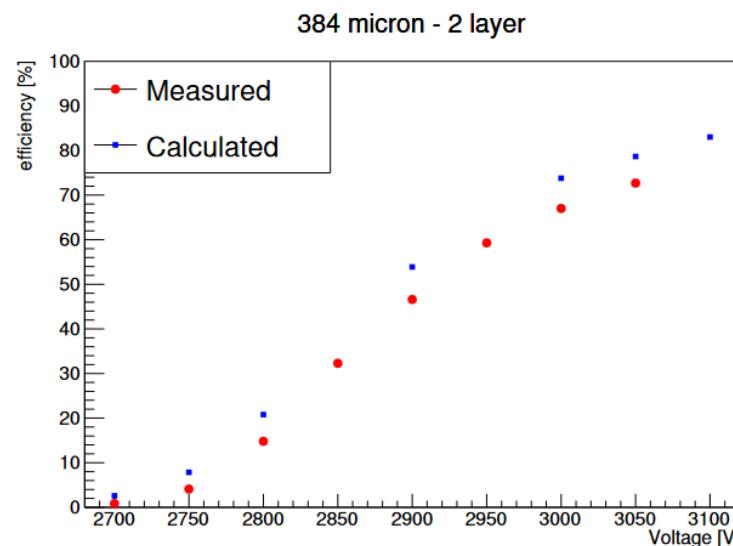
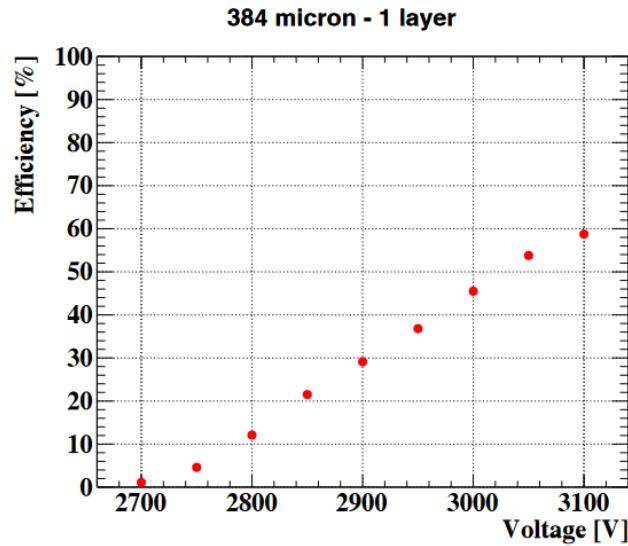
MEG II実験 DLC-RPCのデザイン



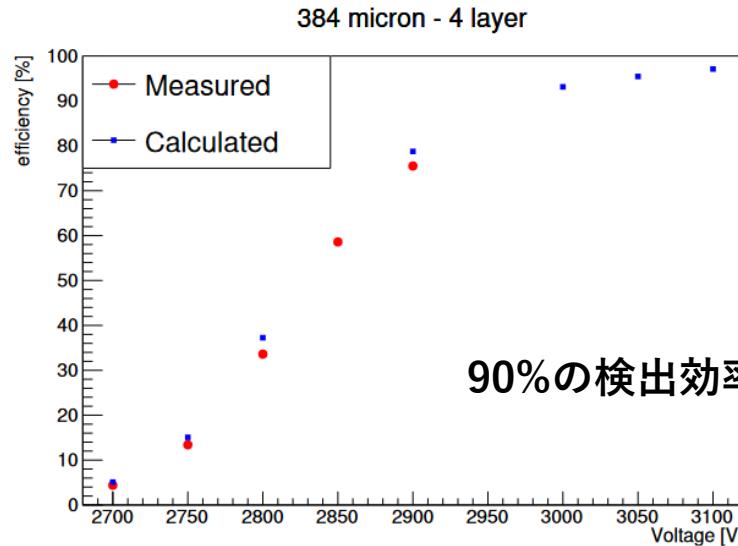
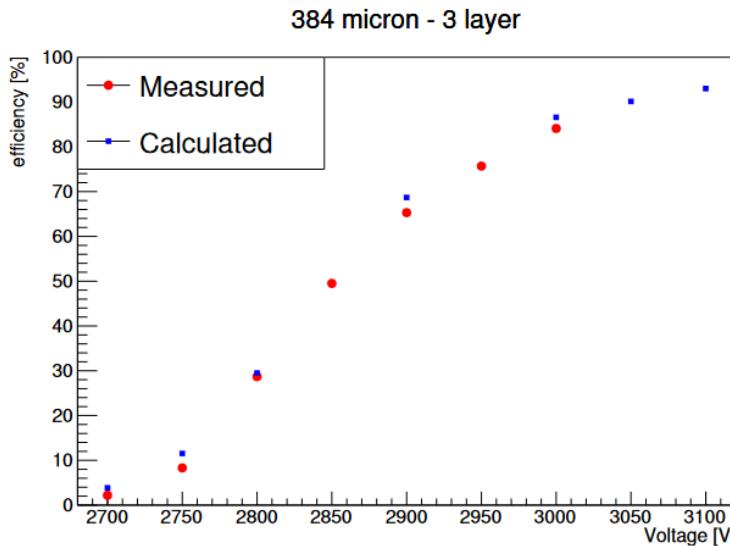
検出器素材	物質量
ポリイミド 50 μm	$0.0175\% X_0$ [51]
アルミニウム 30 nm	$0.0034\% X_0$ [51]
ガス 2 mm	$\sim 0.001\% X_0$

DLCの物質量は
無視できる

先行研究における検出効率



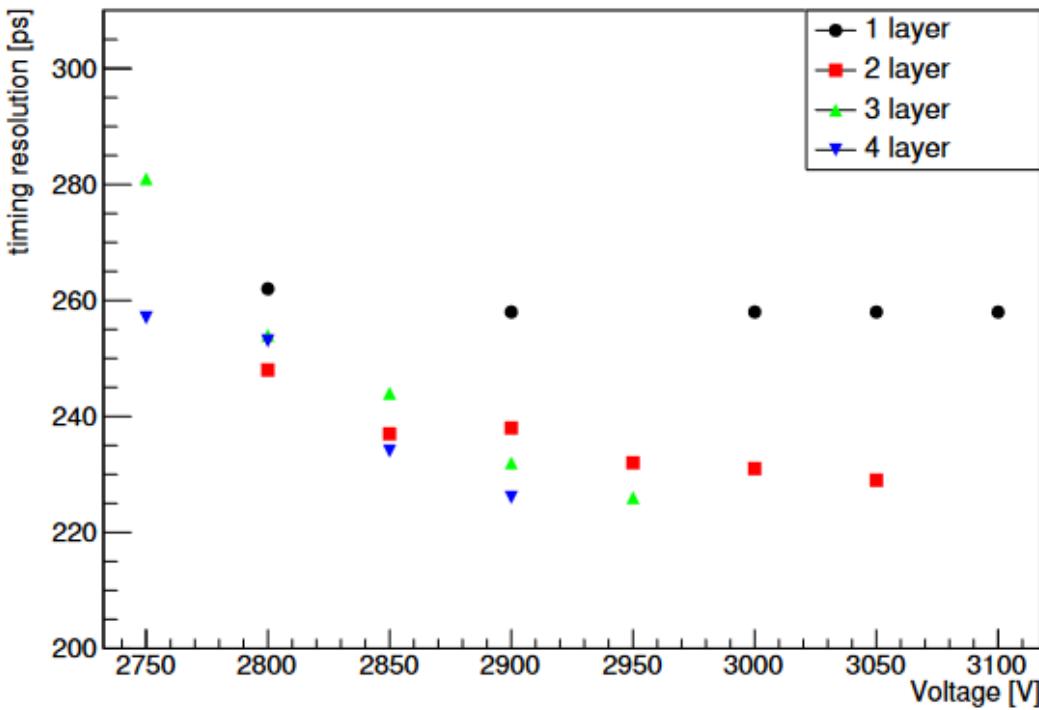
Calculated by
 $\epsilon_n = 1 - (1 - \epsilon_1)^n$



90%の検出効率が達成見込み

先行研究における時間分解能

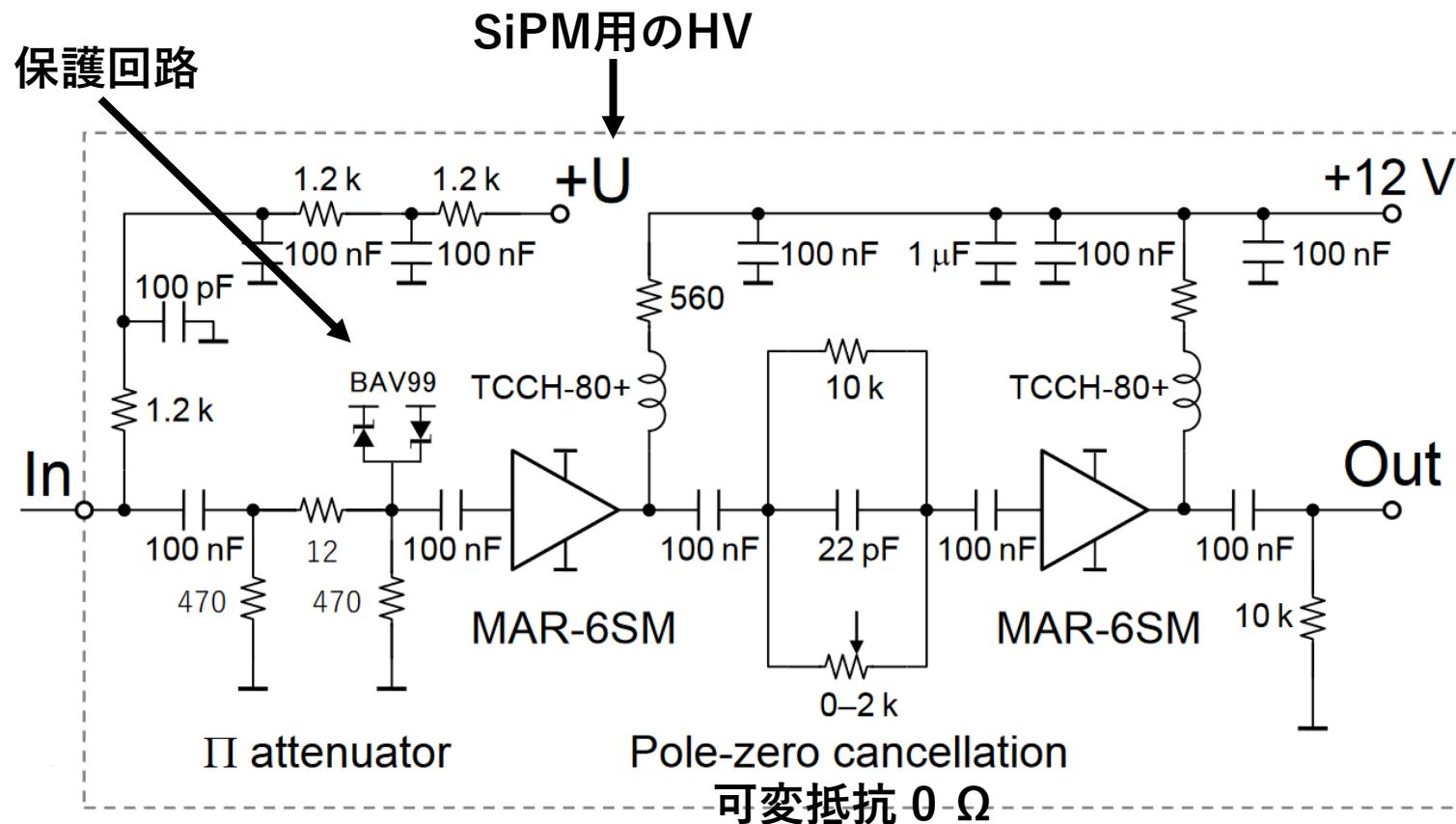
384 micron



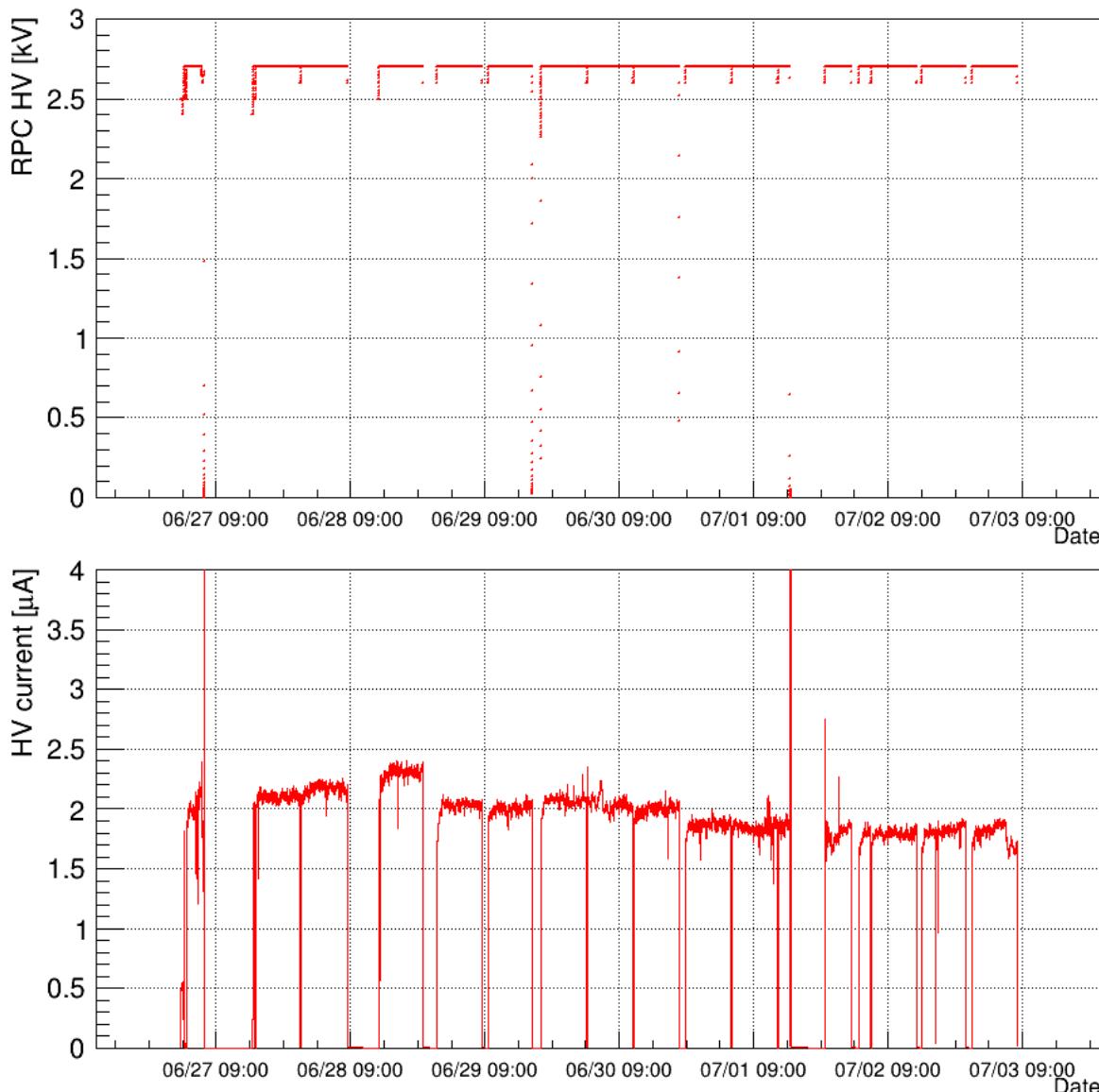
1 ns 以下の時間分解能を達成
(リファレンスカウンタなどの測定系の寄与も含む)

使用した増幅器

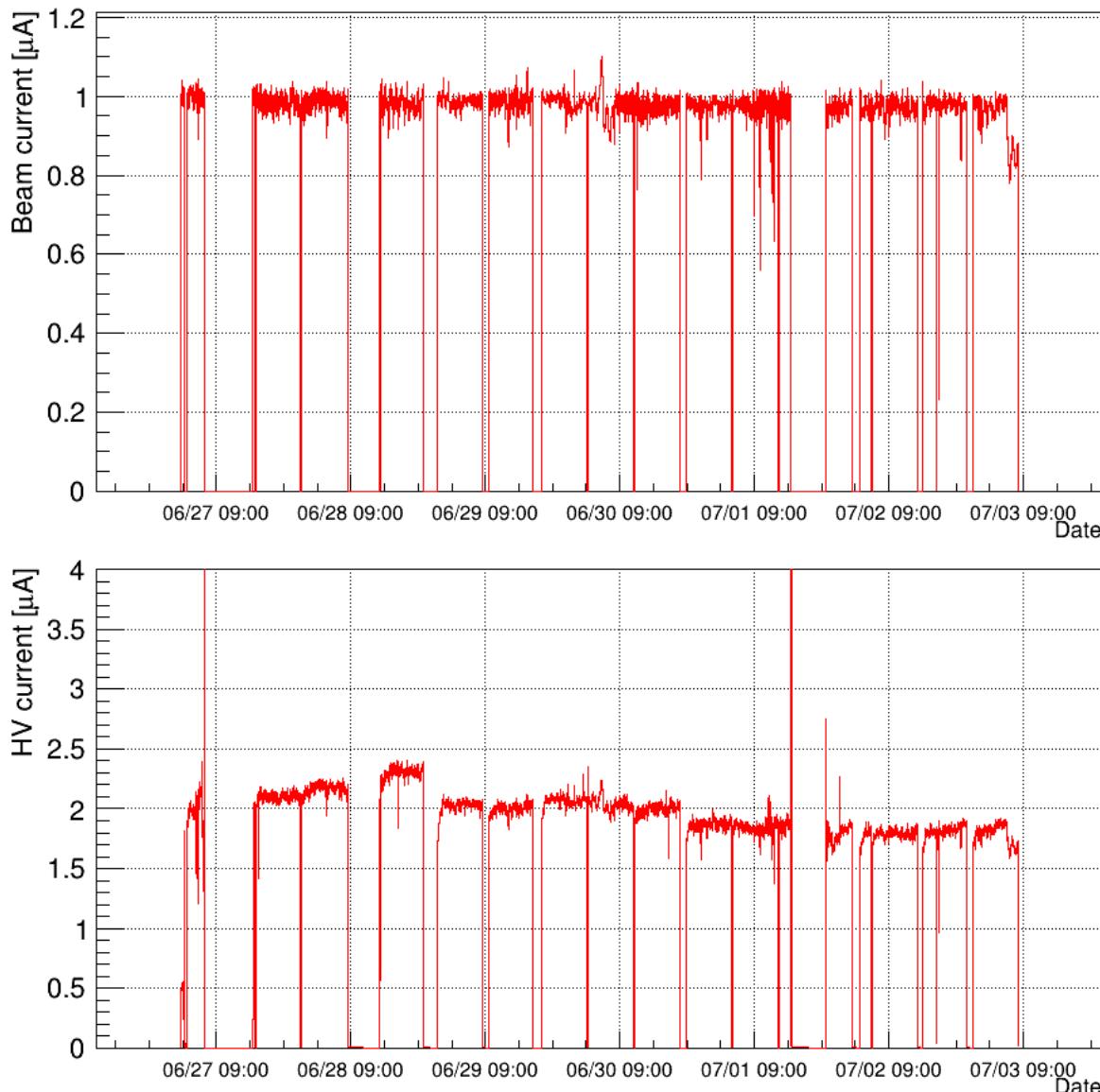
- 38 dB (80倍) の増幅器



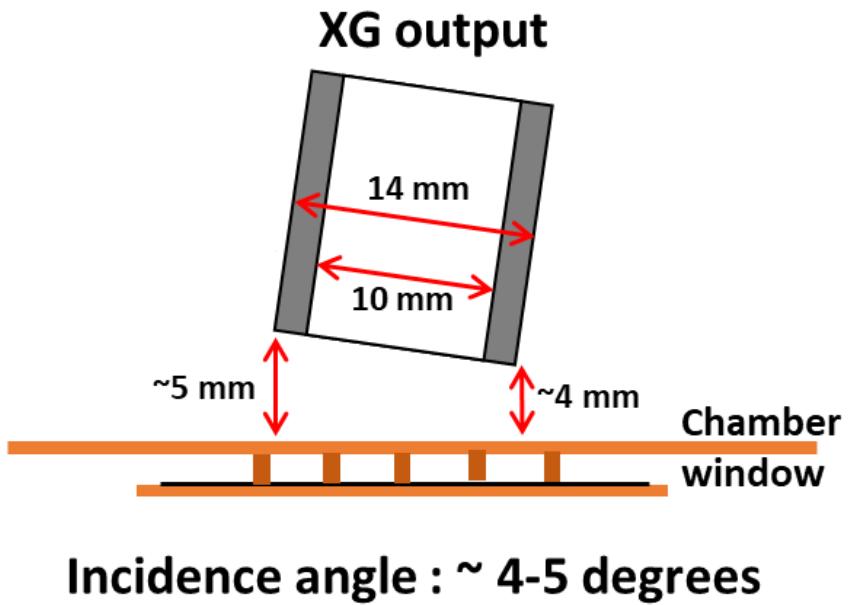
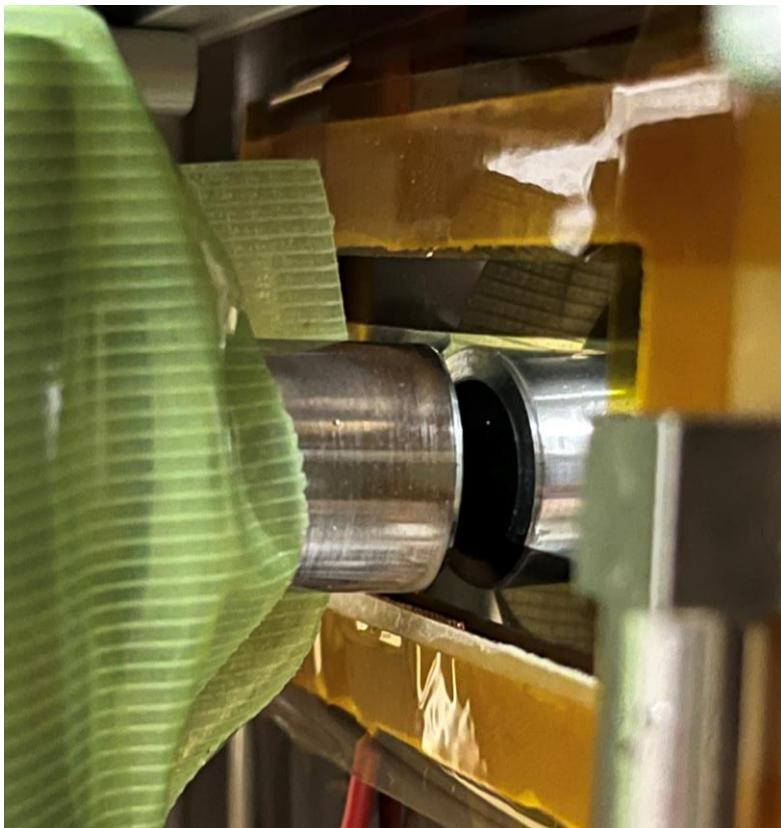
中性子照射中の検出器の状態



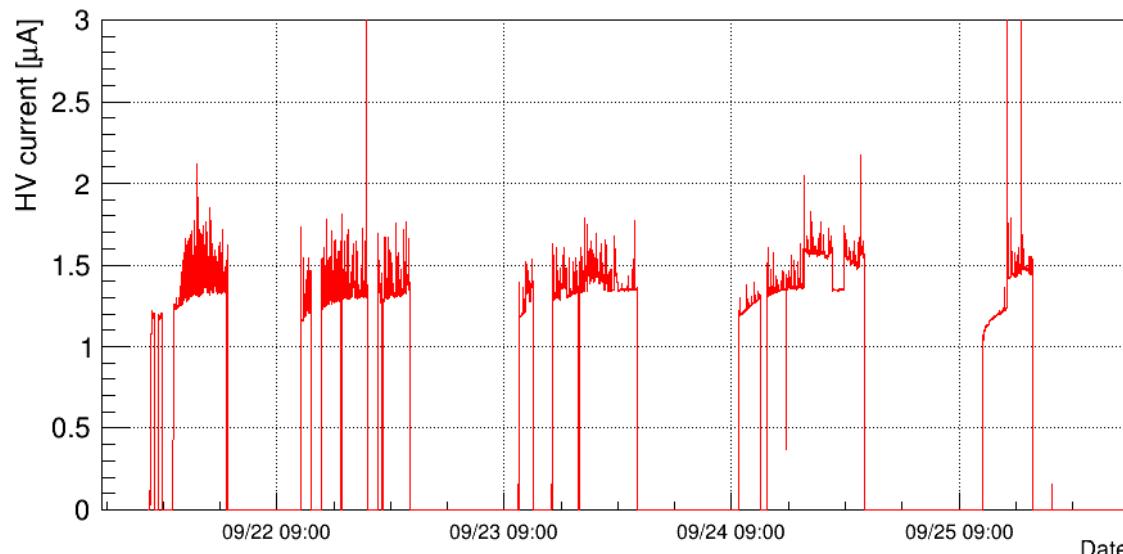
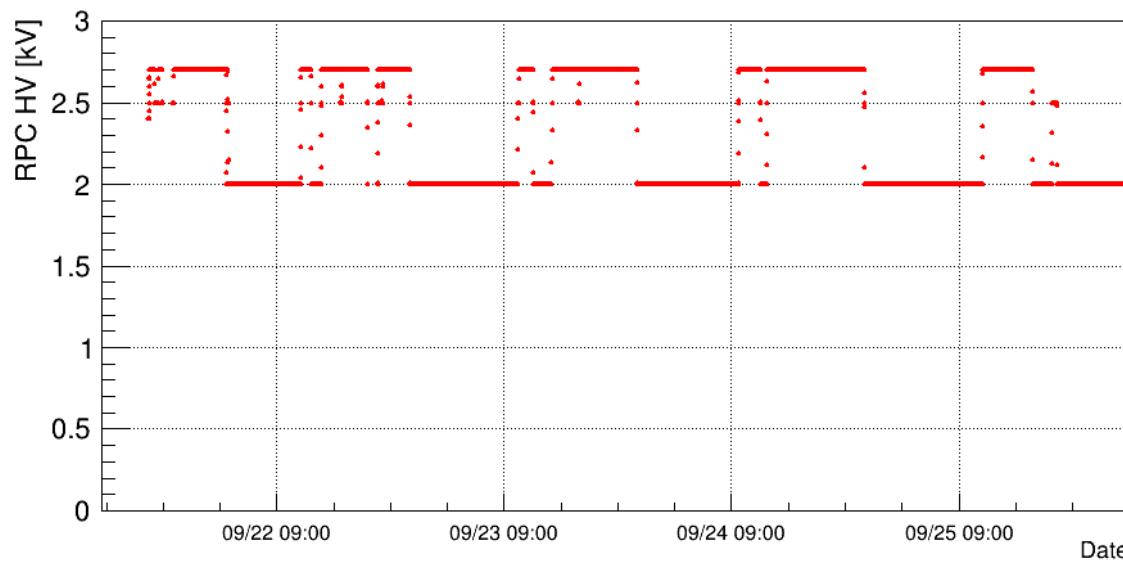
中性子照射中のビームカレント



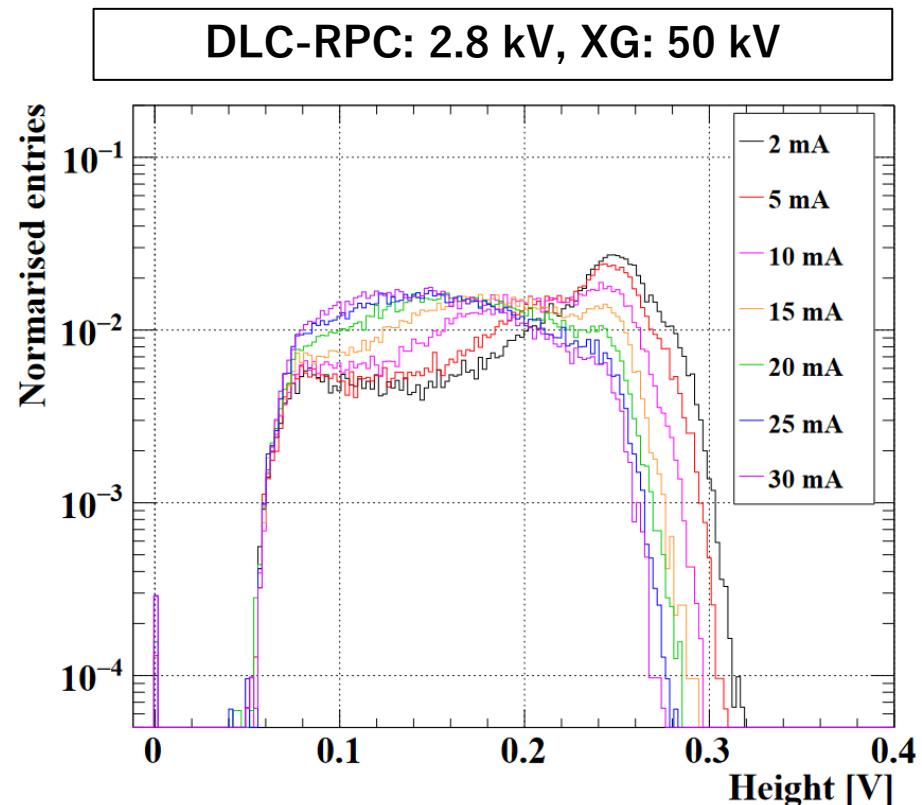
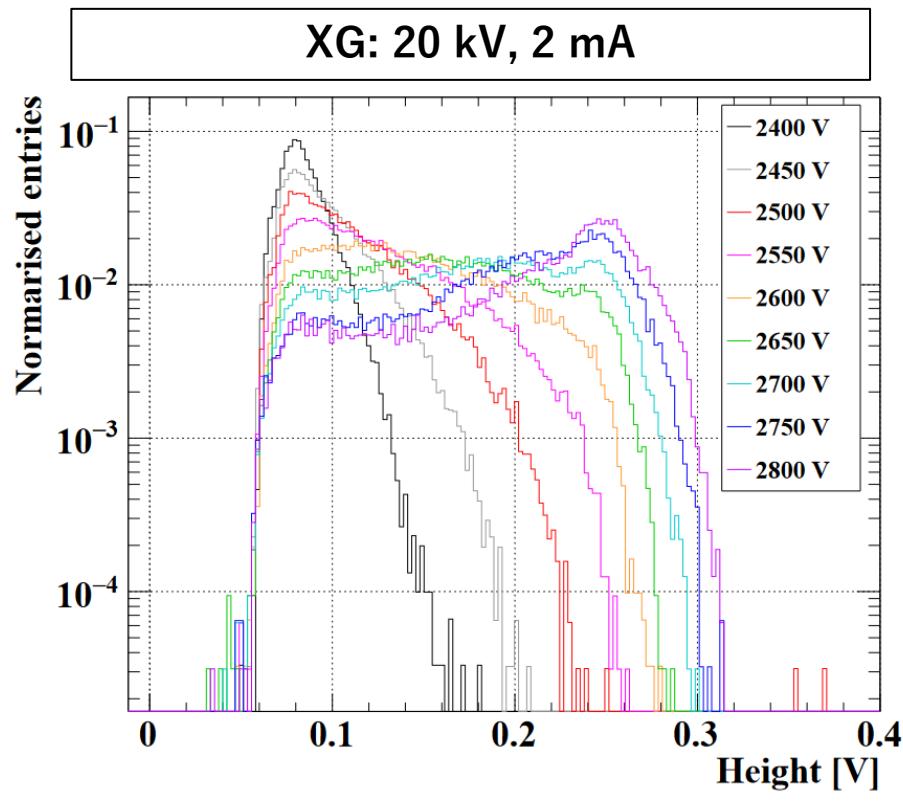
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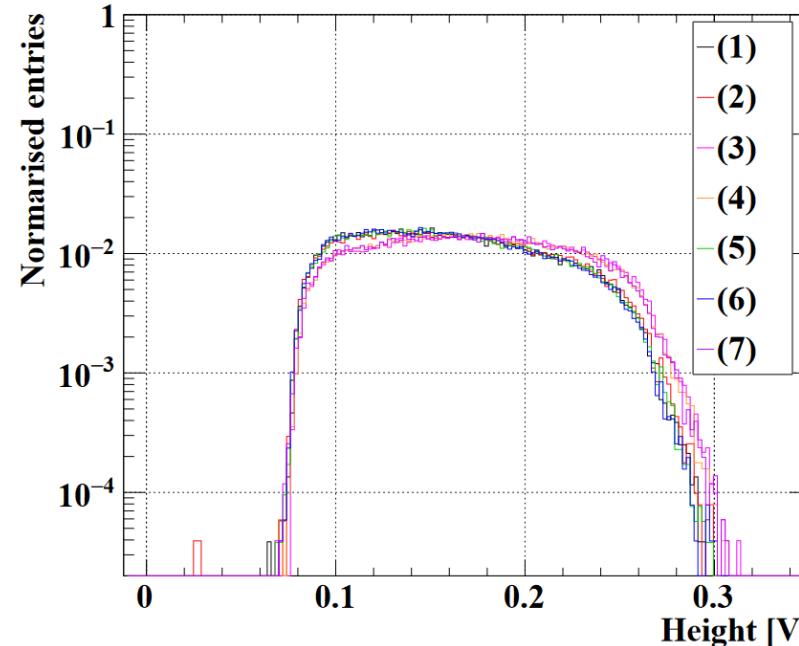
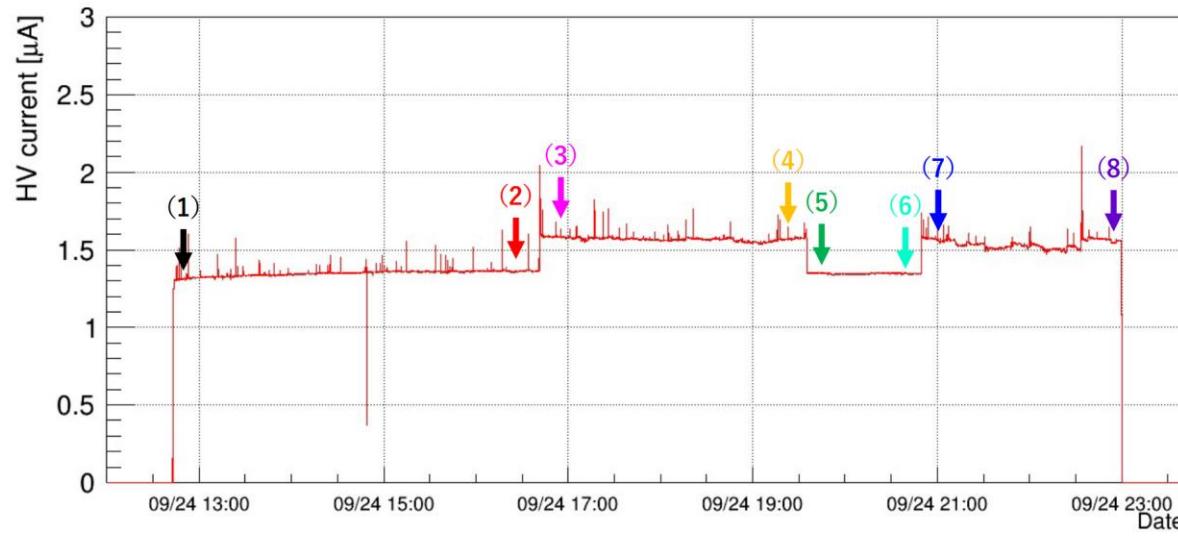
X線照射中のDLC-RPCの状態



X線に対する波高分布



X線照射中の電流値変化



各電極サンプルの元素組成割合

電極サンプル	C1s(%)	N1s(%)	O1s(%)	F1s(%)	Si2p(%)
Non-irradiation	79.03	3.19	17.78	–	–
Neutron irradiation (active region)	76.06	–	15.22	7.37	1.35
Neutron irradiation (inactive region)	72.82	3.02	19.72	1.53	2.91
X-ray irradiation (anode discharge point)	67.63	–	15.52	14.51	2.35
Cathode active region	74.82	–	17.22	5.89	3.68
Cathode inactive region	81.20	–	15.72	–	2.37