

Summary of “Muonium and other experiments” || session

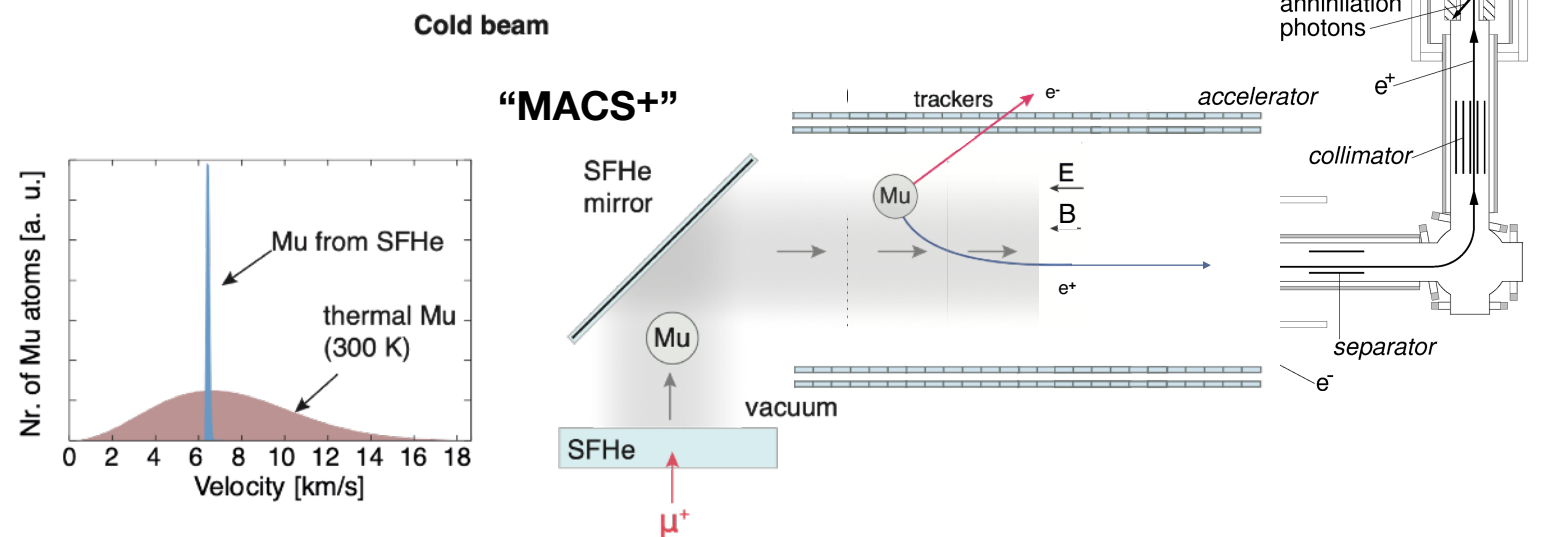
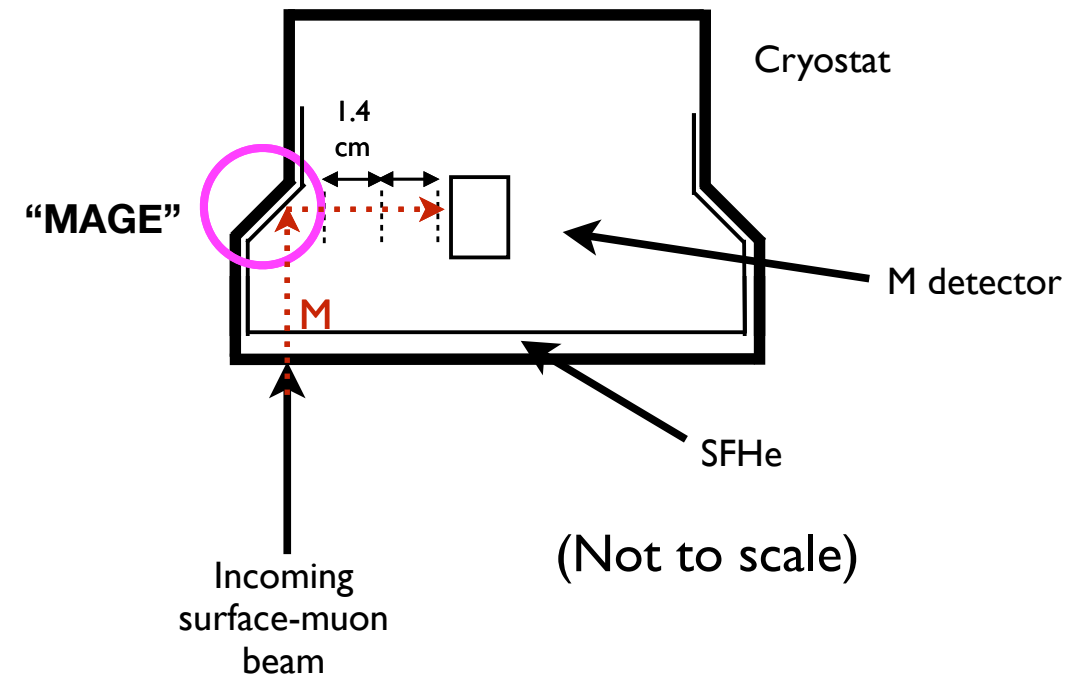
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Session Agenda

- Tuesday afternoon, 3/28:

14:00	Muonium overview <i>469, Lauritsen</i> <i>Daniel Kaplan</i> 13:30 - 13:55	
	M-Mbar mixing <i>469, Lauritsen</i> <i>Alexey Petrov</i> 13:55 - 14:30	
	Proposed MACE M-Mbar experiment <i>469, Lauritsen</i> <i>Mr Shihan Zhao</i> 14:30 - 14:55	
	Muonium spectroscopy <i>469, Lauritsen</i> <i>David Kawall</i> 14:55 - 15:30	
16:00	Low-energy muons at Fermilab <i>469, Lauritsen</i> <i>Carol Johnstone</i> 16:00 - 16:25	
	Making muonium with superfluid hel <i>Thomas Phillips</i>	
	Muonium gravity <i>469, Lauritsen</i> <i>Daniel Kaplan</i> 16:50 - 17:10	
17:00	Discussion, other physics, & summa... <i>All</i>	

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Double CLFV; differently sensitive than Mu2e to CLFV new physics
New experiment due
Goal: 10^{-3} – 10^{-4} x PSI 1999 MACS limit

Petrov: M - \bar{M} mixing

Muonium oscillations: just like $B^0\bar{B}^0$ mixing, but simpler!

★ Lepton-flavor violating interactions can change $M_\mu \rightarrow \bar{M}_\mu$

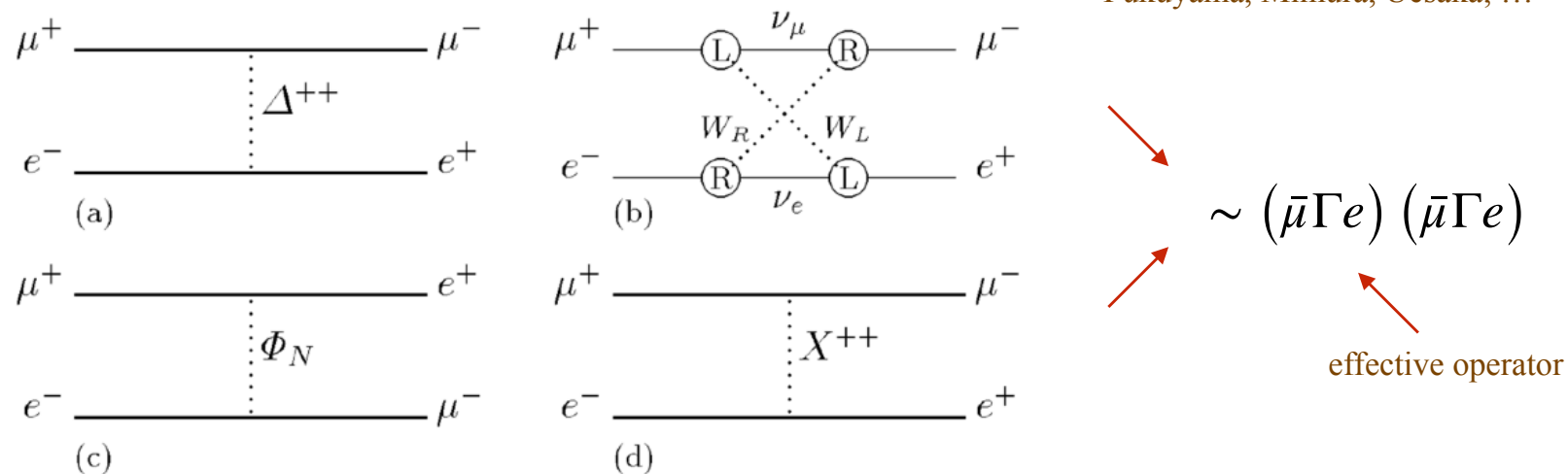
Pontecorvo (1957)

Feinberg, Weinberg (1961)

• Such transition amplitudes are tiny in the Standard Model

– ... but there are plenty of New Physics models where it can happen

Clark, Love; Cvetič et al,
Li, Schmidt; Endo, Iguro, Kitahara;
Fukuyama, Mimura, Uesaka; ...



• Illustrative diagrams of NP models contributing to M - \bar{M} mixing

– theory: compute transition amplitudes for **ALL** New Physics models!

– experiment: produce M_μ but look for the decay products of \bar{M}_μ

Petrov: $M-\bar{M}$ mixing

Conclusions and things to take home

- There is no indication from high energy studies where the NP show up
 - this makes indirect searches the most valuable source of information
- Muonium is the simplest atom: atomic physics
 - level splitting (Lamb shift): probe NP w/out QCD complications
- Muons are ideal tools to probe fundamental physics
 - flavor-conserving quantities (g-2, EDM)
 - flavor-changing neutral current decays
 - flavor oscillations (muonium-antimuonium conversion)
 - muon transitions already probe the LHC energy domain and can do better!
- New experimental facilities: MACE at CSNS
 - similar domestic experiment at SNS (Oak Ridge)?
 - possible muonium oscillation experiment at J-PARC (Japan)?

MuSEUM experiment (J-PARC)

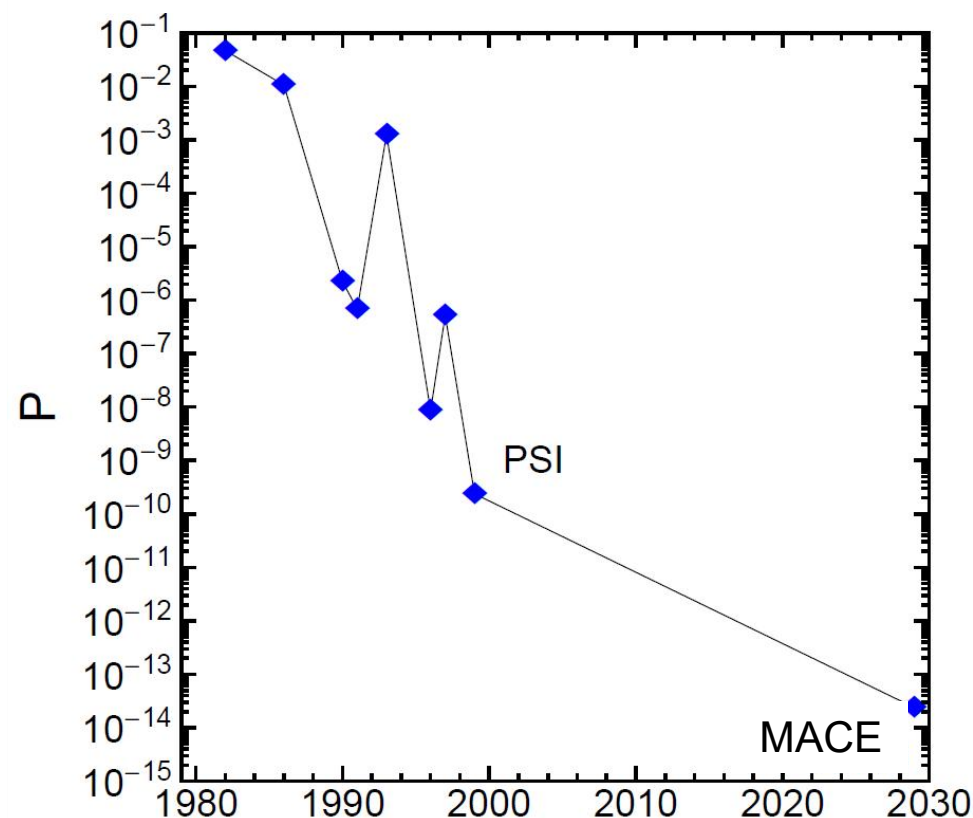
Prospects for precise predictions of a_μ in the Standard Model
G. Colangelo, et. al., arXiv:2203.15810 [hep-ph]

Snowmass2021 Whitepaper: Muonium to antimuonium conversion
A.-Y. Bai, ..., AAP, ..., arXiv:2203.11406 [hep-ph]

Zhao: Proposed $M-\bar{M}$ exp't

- Proposal to Chinese SNS:

MACE: Shed light on new physics



- **MACE:** The first proposed muonium-to-antimuonium conversion experiment since 1999, we plan to improve the sensitivity by more than two orders of magnitude.
- Together with other flavor and collider searches, MACE will shed light on the mystery of the neutrino masses.

MACE: Muonium-to-Antimuonium Conversion Experiment

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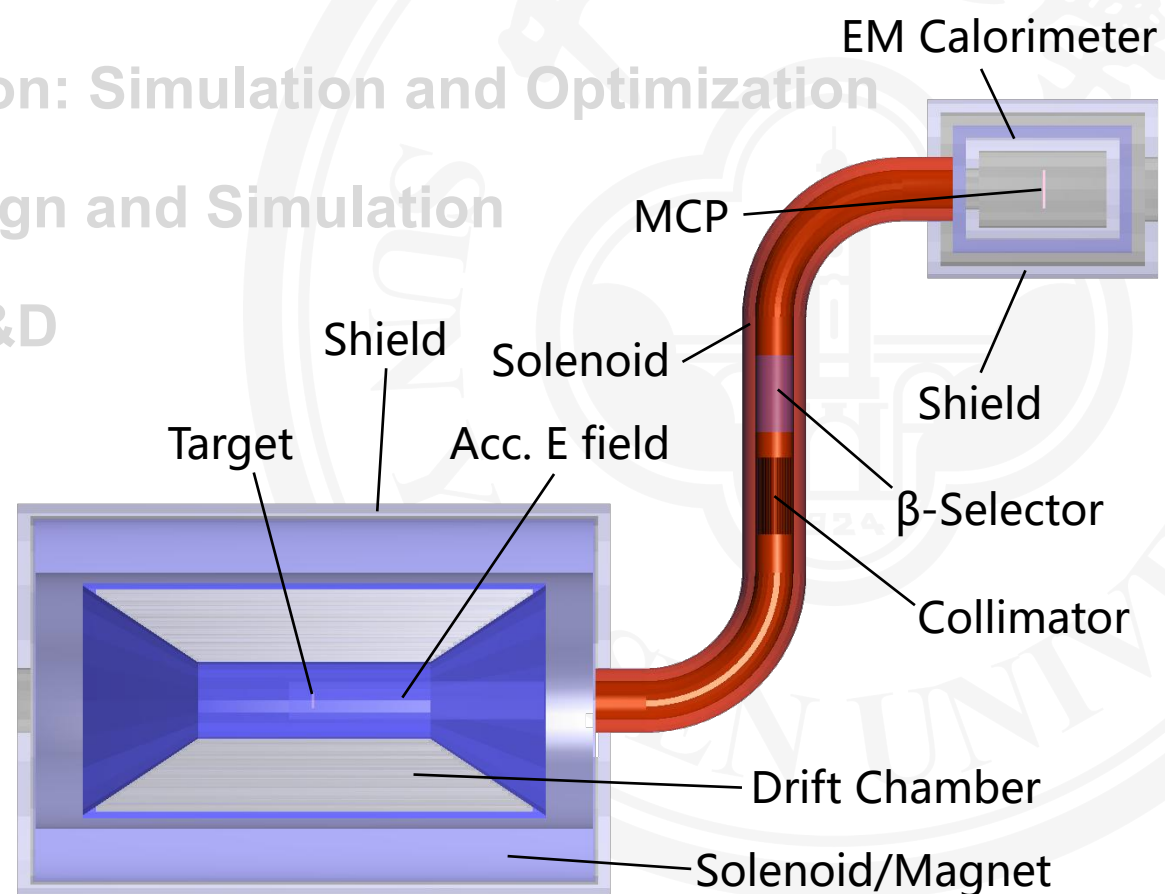
- Motivation

- **Conceptual Design of MACE**

- Muonium Production: Simulation and Optimization
- Drift Chamber Design and Simulation
- Offline Software R&D

- Preliminary analysis

- Summary

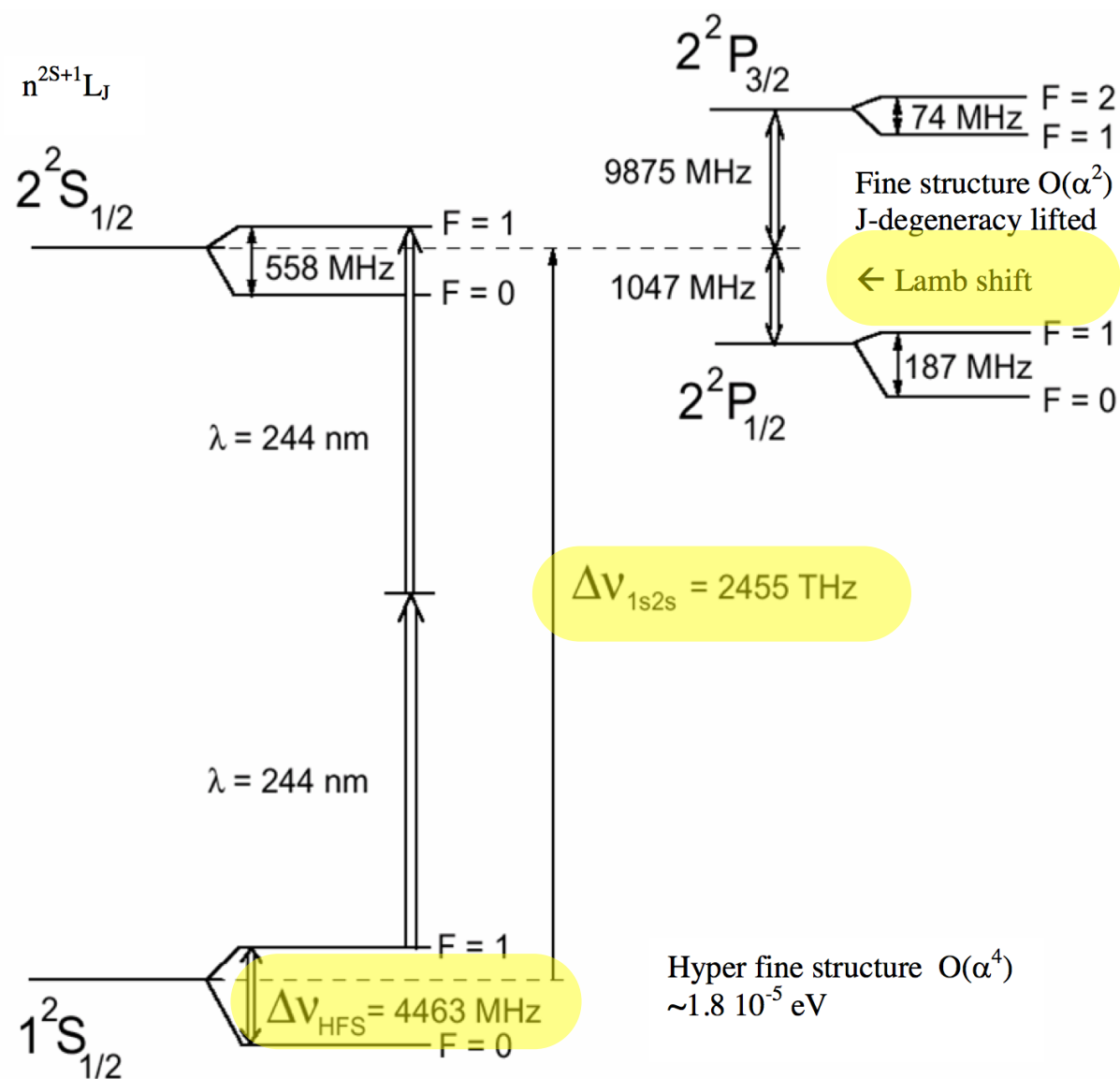


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- Precision QED test (strong, finite-size):
M 1S-2S, hyperfine, Lamb shift
- New experiments in progress:
(MuSEUM, Mu-MASS) @ (J-PARC, PSI)
- World-leading sensitivity with AMF

Kawall: μ spectroscopy

Muonium Energy Levels



- Hydrogen-like, but purely leptonic, free of nuclear size effects
- Can produce nearly $10^8/\text{s}$
- Live $2.2 \mu\text{s}$, linewidth 145 kHz
- Amenable and interesting for precision spectroscopy
- Extract important constants
- Test bound state QED, search for new physics

$$a_\mu = \frac{\omega_a}{\tilde{\omega}'_p(T_r)} \frac{\mu'_p(T_r)}{\mu_e(H)} \frac{\mu_e(H)}{\mu_e} \frac{m_\mu}{m_e} \frac{g_e}{2}$$

Kawall: M spectroscopy

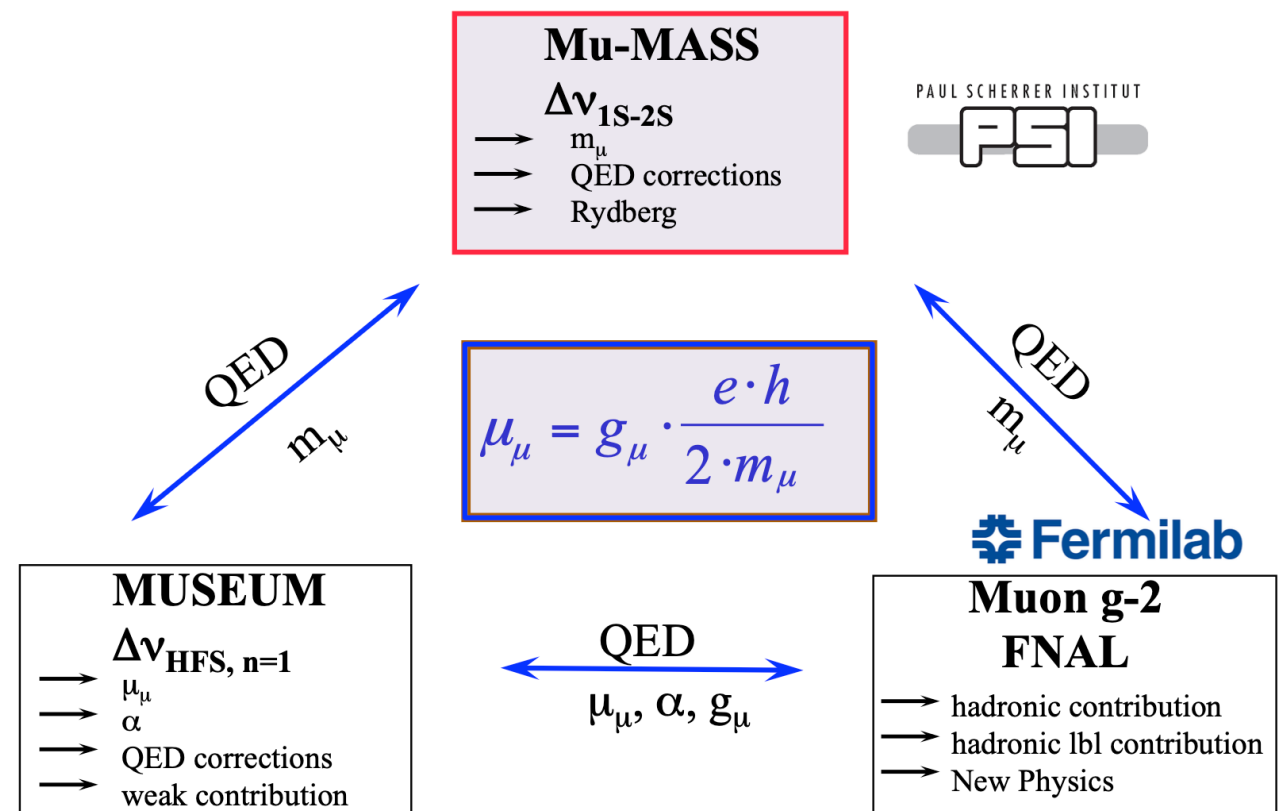
Mu-MASS: Measure 1S-2S interval to 10 kHz, determine m_μ/m_e to 1 ppb

Mu-MASS: Measure **1S-2S transition** with Doppler free laser spectroscopy

GOAL: improve by 3 orders of magnitude (10 kHz, 4 ppt)


OUTPUT

- **Muon mass @ 1 ppb**
- Ratio of q_e/q_μ @ 1 ppt
- Search for New Physics
- **Test of bound state QED (1×10^{-9})**
- Input to muon g-2 theory
- **Rydberg constant @ ppt level**
- New determination of α @ 1 ppb



- **Technique:** Make M inside microwave cavity, or probe with lasers

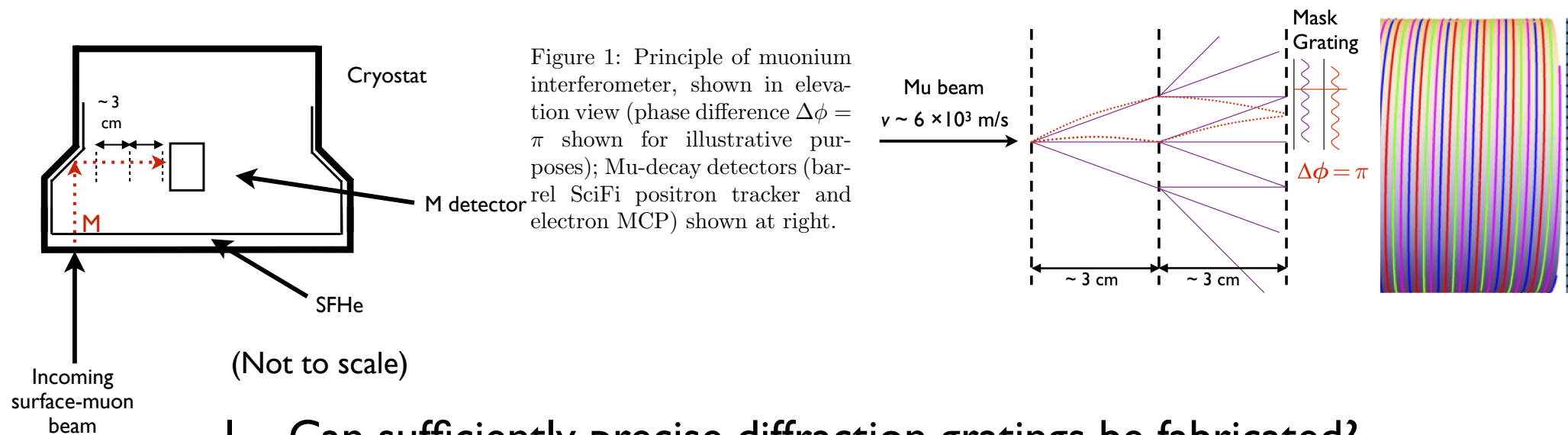
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 - Never measured; 5th-force search, test of GR
 - New experiments in progress/proposed using SFHe M production: (LEMING, MAGE) @ (PSI, FNAL)
 - World-leading sensitivity with AMF
- Fermilab advantages
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Kaplan: Muonium Gravity

Muonium Gravity Experiment

- Some important feasibility questions:



1. Can sufficiently precise diffraction gratings be fabricated?
2. Can interferometer and detector be aligned to a few pm and stabilized against vibration?
3. Can interferometer and detector be operated at cryogenic temperature?
4. How determine zero-degree line?
5. Does SFHe M production work?

- Atom-beam interferometer for \sim pm precision
- Techniques seem feasible based on past experience
- Need SFHe M production:
 - thick SFHe film \rightarrow higher rate than PSI thin-film approach
 - needs R&D

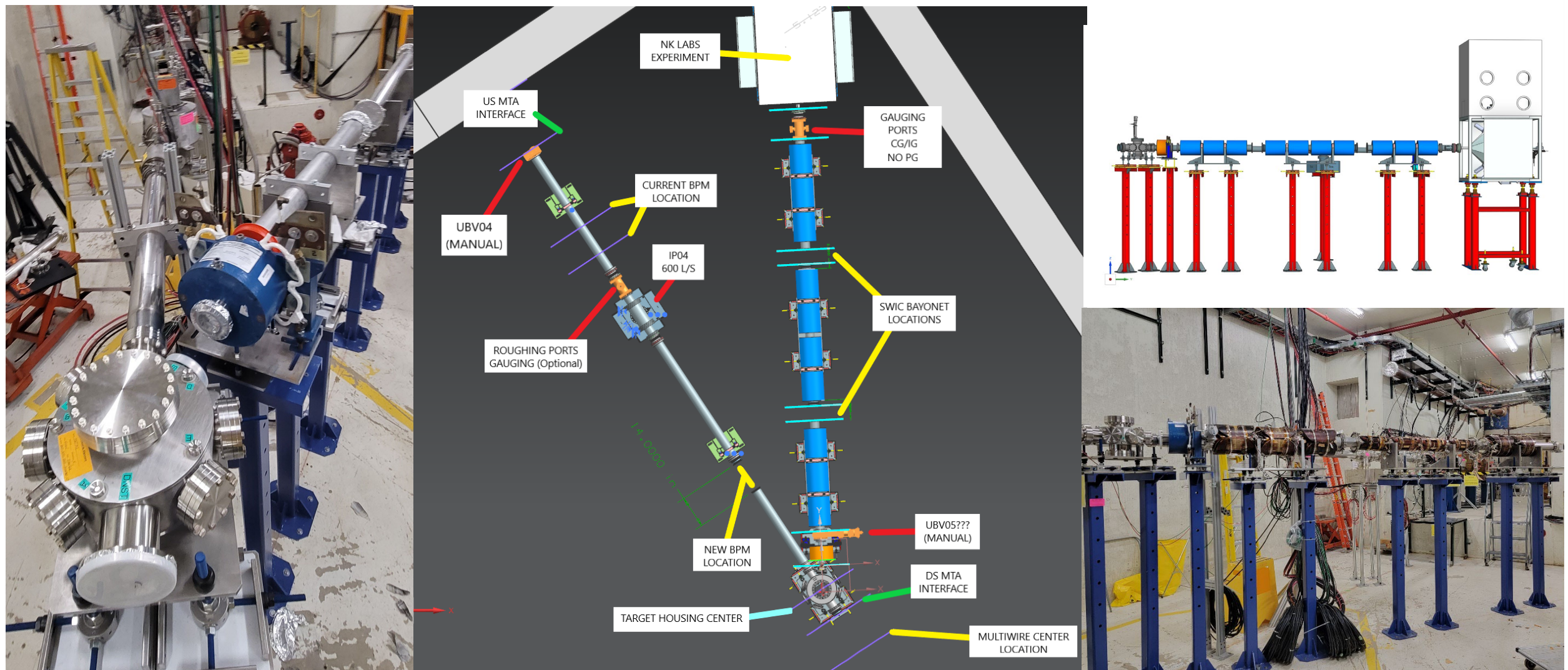
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- Fermilab advantages {
 - R&D possible with existing 400 MeV Linac
 - Possibly competitive with PSI for e.g. M gravity
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Johnstone: Low Energy Muons at Fermilab

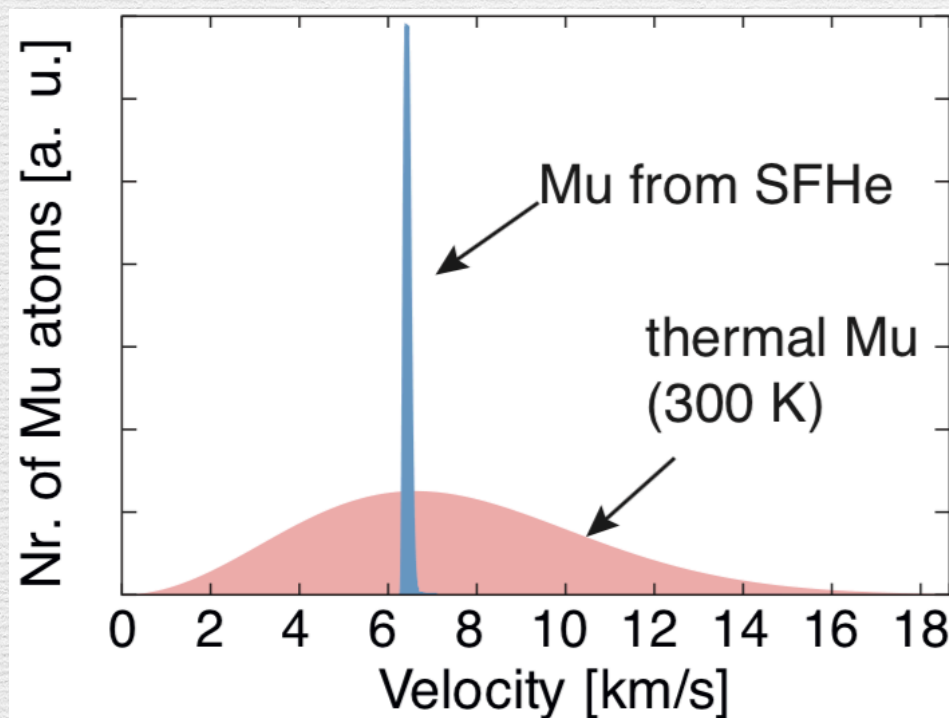
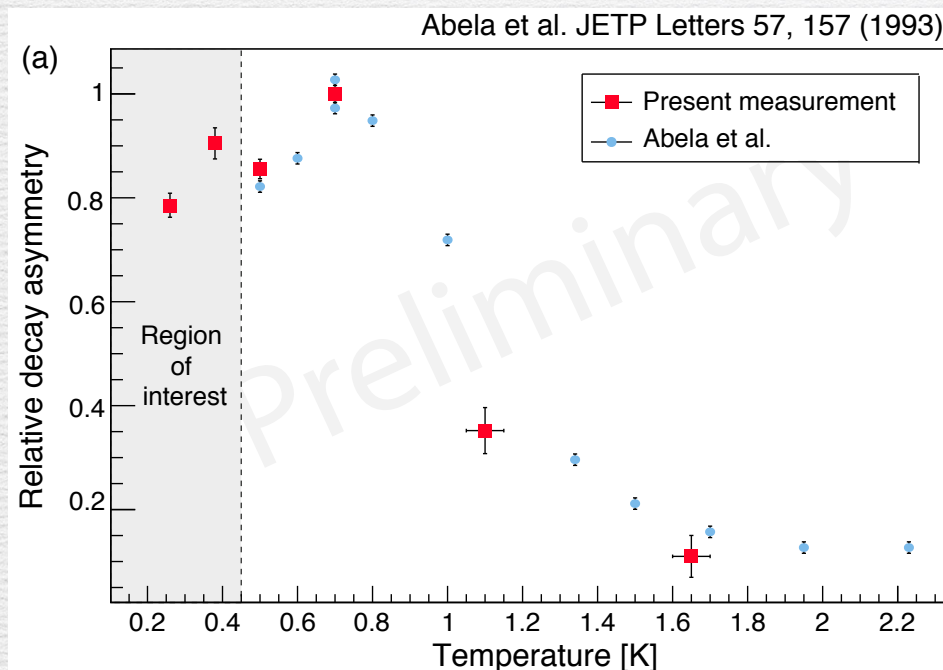
The Beamline – installation complete

*in Muon Test Area
off 400 MeV Linac*

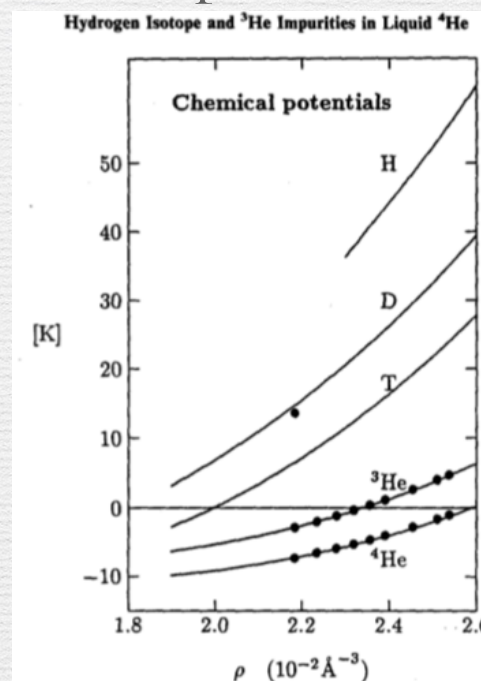


- MTA beamline installed for μCF experiment (μ^-); also transmits μ^+
- Available for R&D until long shutdown (FY27)

Phillips: Muonium in Superfluid Helium



- Mu produced with high efficiency for $T < 1\text{ K}$
- As a light isotope of hydrogen, Mu does not dissolve in SFHe (calculated potential: 270 K)



Saarela and Krotscheck,
J. Low Temp. Phys. 90,
415 (1993)

- ♦ if Mu reaches surface it is ejected perpendicular to surface at $6.3\text{ mm}/\mu\text{s}$
- ♦ nearly mono-energetic and uni-directional!

T.J Phillips IIT Workshop Future Muon Program @ FNAL 3/28/23

- Stopped $\mu^+ \rightarrow$ M $\sim 100\%$ efficient in SFHe @ $T \leq 0.8\text{ K}$
- Makes quasi-monoenergetic, low-divergence beam in vacuum
- Ideal for M gravity
- Game-changer for other meas'ts too?
- Needs R&D
 - uses QIS technique of electrons on SFHe surface

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 - Can SFHe M prod. improve oscillation, spectroscopy exp'ts?
 - Possible to seek rare double-CLFV decays: $M \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}, e^+e^-$?
(μ w cavity?)

Kaplan: Overview

arXiv:2212.04897 [physics.ins-det]

Letter of Intent: Muonium R&D/Physics Program at the MTA

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1 Introduction

There is a need for a high-efficiency source of muonium ($M \equiv \mu^+e^-$, chemically a light isotope of hydrogen), traveling as a beam in vacuum, for fundamental muon measurements, sensitive searches for symmetry violation, and precision tests of theory [1]. Currently PSI in Switzerland is the world leader for such research. With PIP-II Fermilab has the potential to eclipse PSI and become the new world leader. It is prudent to begin the R&D now in order to be ready when PIP-II comes online. Fermilab's MeV Test Area (MTA) at the 400 MeV H^- Linac has a low-energy muon beamline suitable for this R&D, with the potential to compete with PSI for this physics in the pre-PIP-II near term as well.

Key muonium measurements include the search for $M-\bar{M}$ conversion, precision measurement of the M atomic spectrum, and the study of antimatter gravity using M . Furthermore, the J-PARC $g-2$ experiment proposes to use a low-energy μ^+ beam produced by photo-ionizing a slow beam of muonium, but the needed high-intensity muonium beam has yet to be demonstrated. The technique we propose may form a suitable muonium source for such a $g-2$ measurement as well as for other applications of slow muon beams.

$M-\bar{M}$ conversion is a double charged-lepton flavor-violating (CLFV) reaction, allowed (albeit at an undetectably small rate) via neutrino mixing. It may be no less likely — and in some models, *more* likely — than μ to e conversion [1]. Thus in a thorough CLFV research program it should be

- More collaborators welcome!
- Hope for 1st (~10%) gravity meas't as well as R&D

In Summary,

- Stimulating session!
- New ideas raised:
 - applying SFHe M production to M - \bar{M} mixing, M spectroscopy?
 - detecting rare M decays?
- Great promise for M physics at Fermilab
 - hope to follow up with further discussions!
 - please contact us if interested: kaplan-at-iit.edu, awje-at-bu.edu