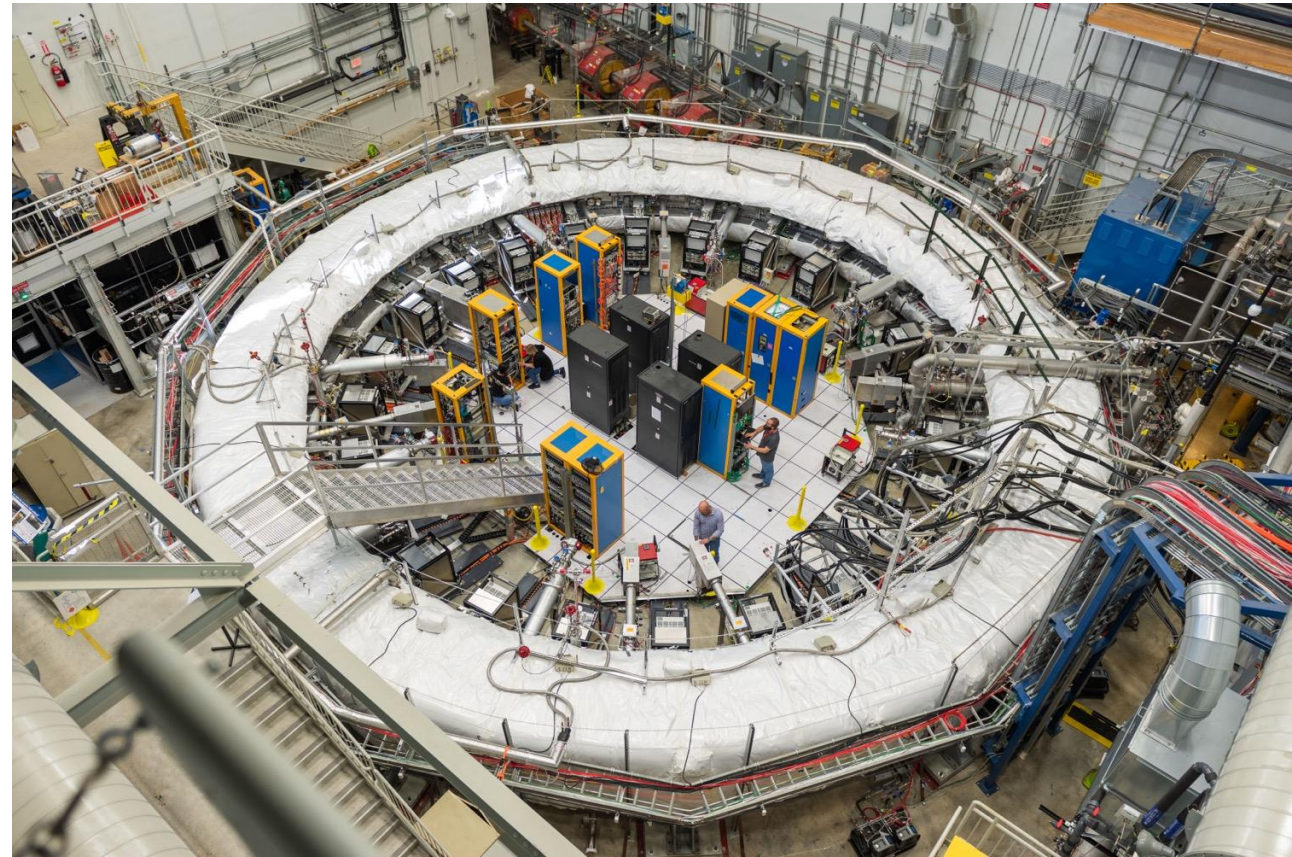


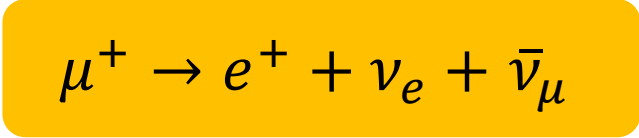
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# Measuring the muon electric dipole moment at the Fermilab Muon $g-2$ experiment

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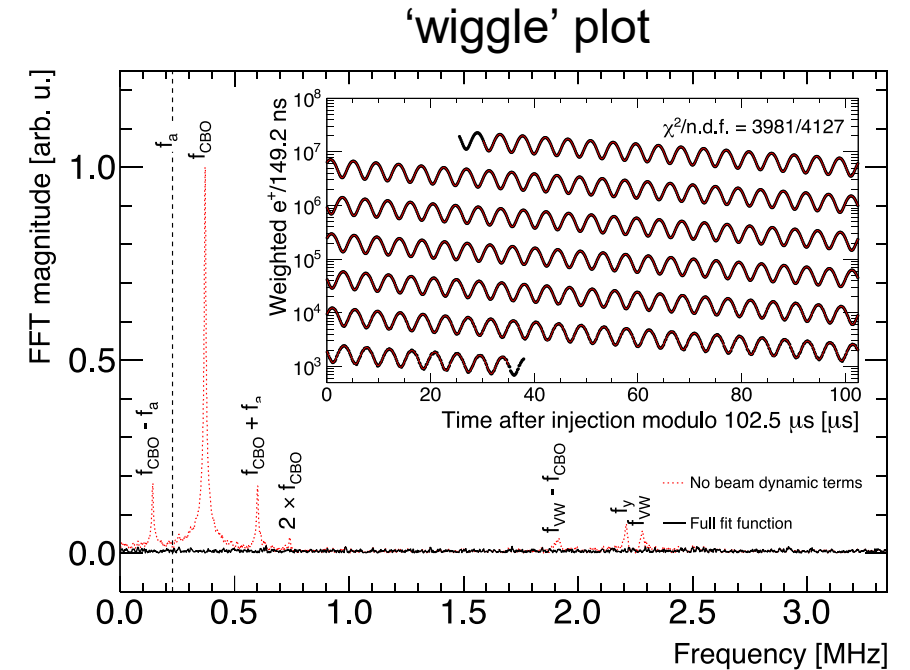
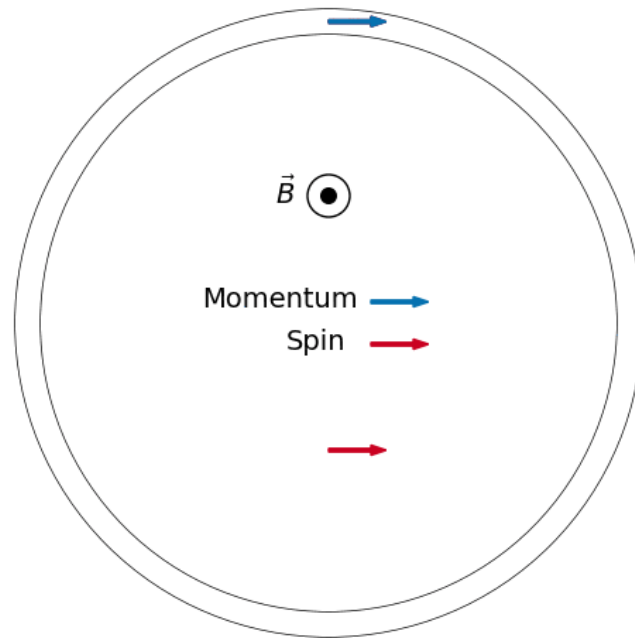
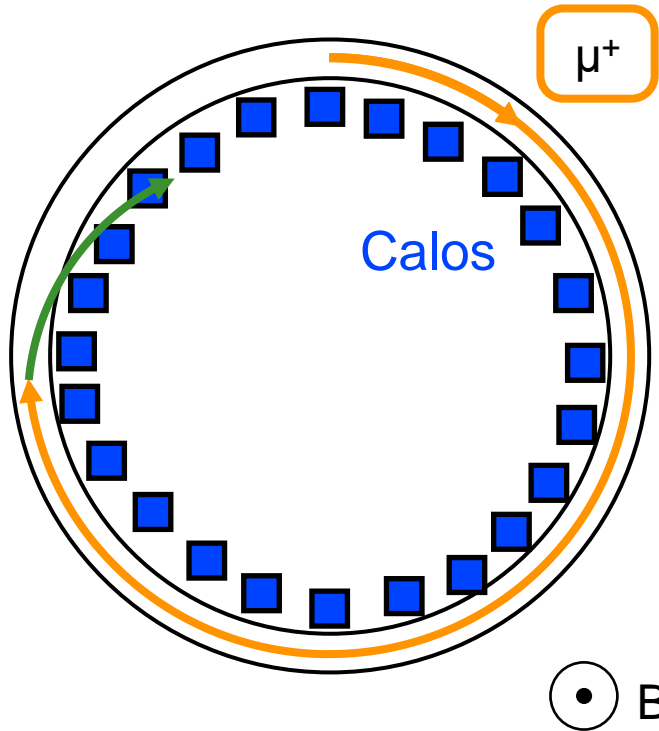


- Measuring the muon anomalous magnetic moment.



Latest result measured the muon anomalous magnetic moment to 0.20ppm [Phys. Rev. Lett. 131, 161802 \(2023\)](#)

- High energy positrons favourably decay along spin vector.



- Classically, charged point-like particles have zero EDM.
- A small EDM arises due to quantum fluctuations polarising the vacuum around the particle  $\mathcal{O}(10^{-36})$  e cm for muons.

$$\mathcal{H} = -\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{B} - \vec{d} \cdot \vec{E}$$

CP even      CP odd

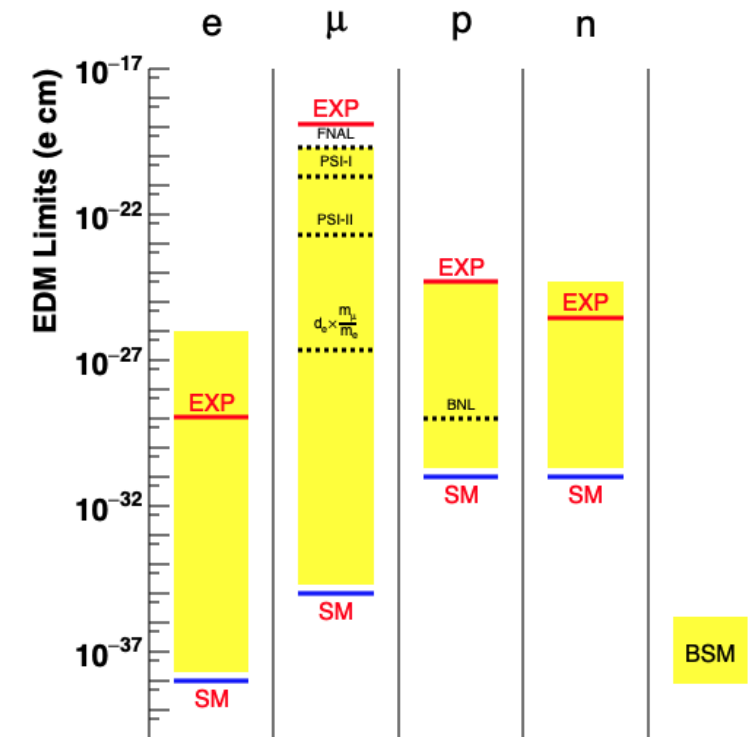
$$\vec{d} = \eta \frac{q}{2m} \vec{s}$$

Magnetic moment!

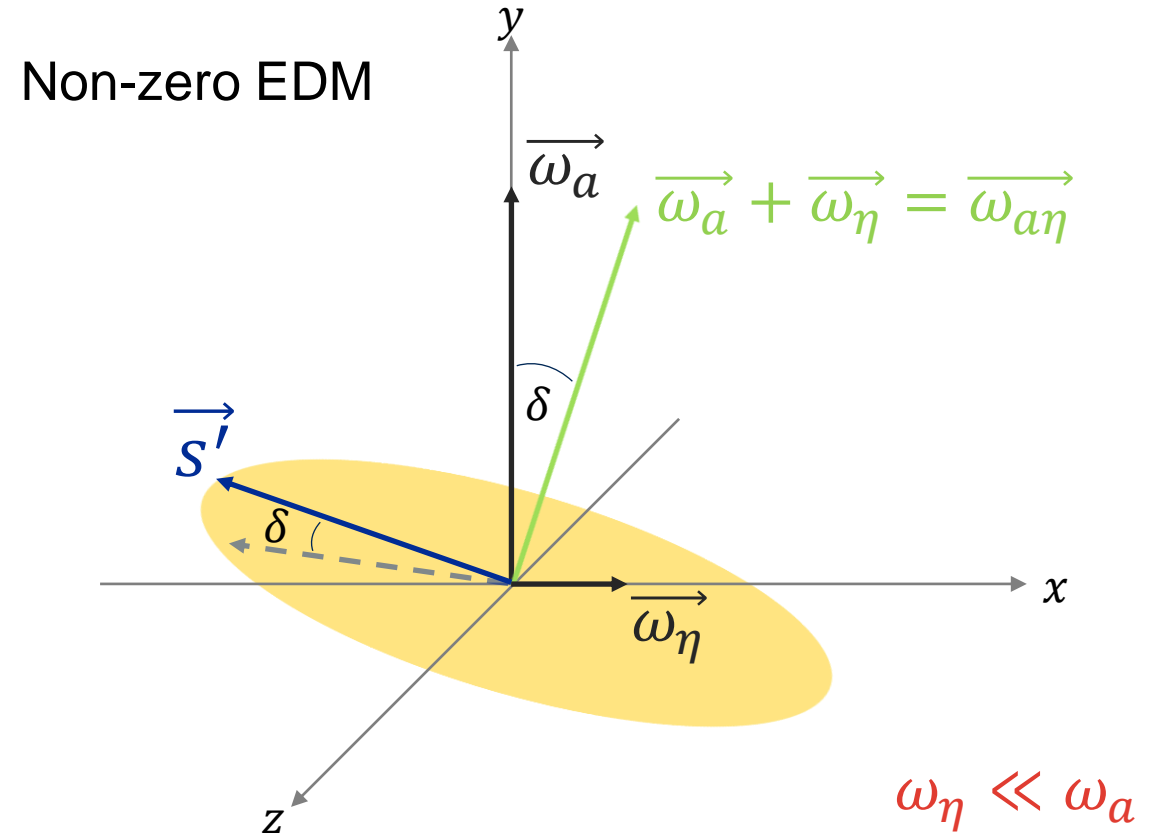
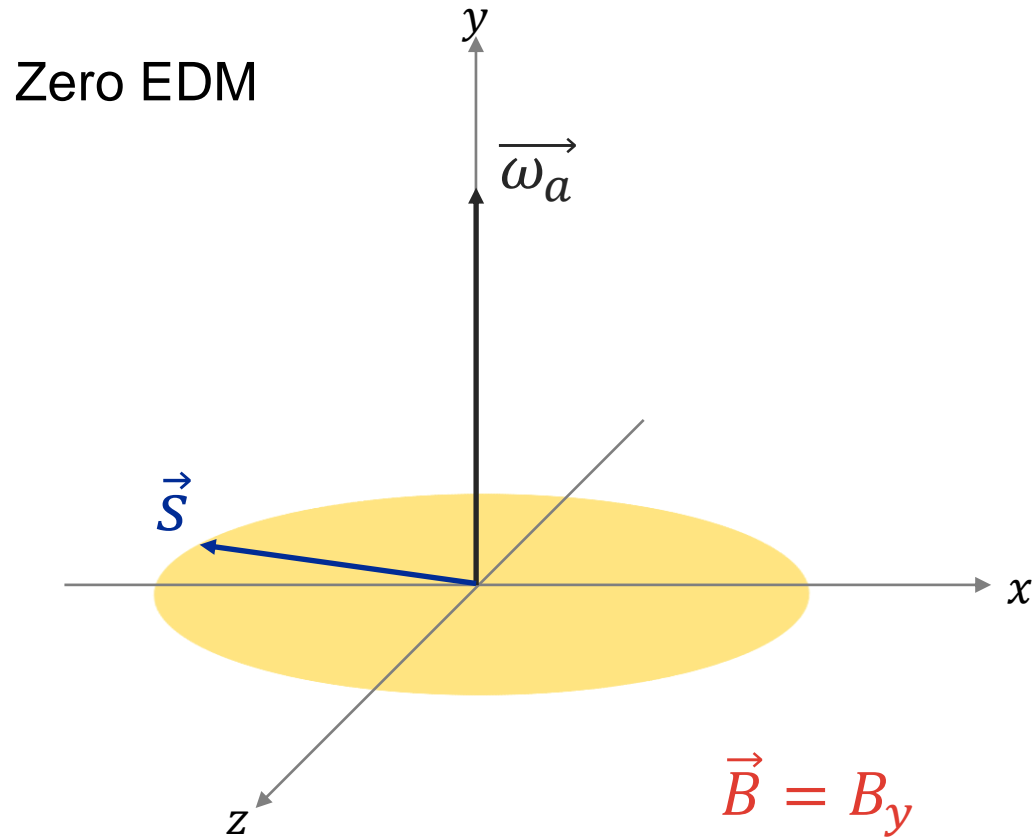
$$\vec{\mu} = g \frac{q}{2m} \vec{s}$$

- A measurement of non-zero EDM would **violate CP symmetry**.

- The **current best limit** was set at BNL:  $|d_\mu| < 1.8 \times 10^{-19} e \cdot \text{cm}$ .\*
- Many orders of magnitude above SM predictions.
- Improving on this will help to **constrain BSM theories**.

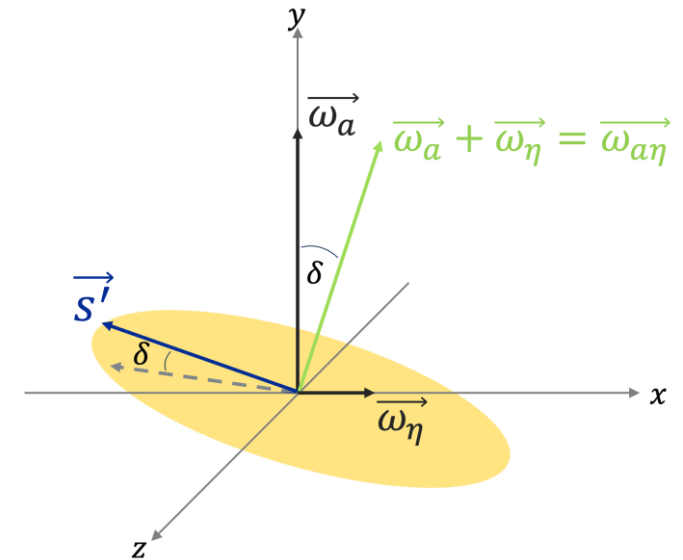


Plot: Mark Lancaster



- **Lorentz transformation** of the  $B$  field in the laboratory frame to the muon rest frame introduces an electric field.
- This produces a torque, **tilting the spin precession plane.**

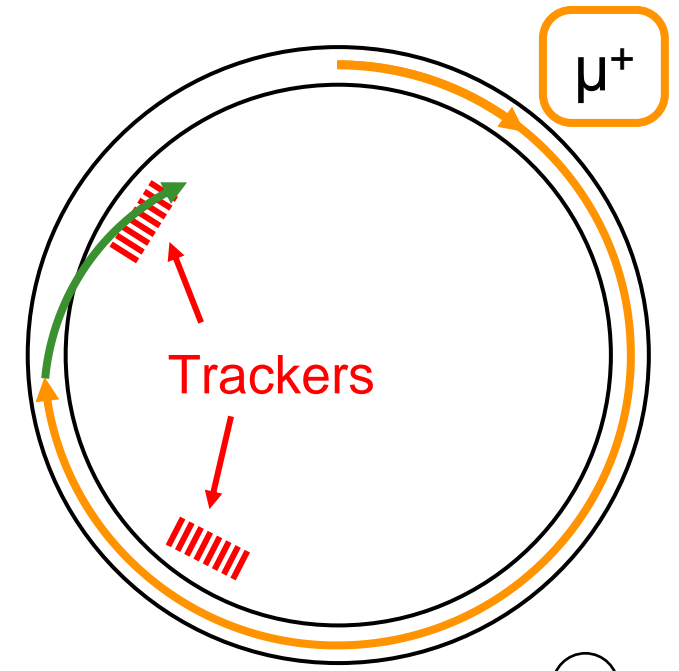
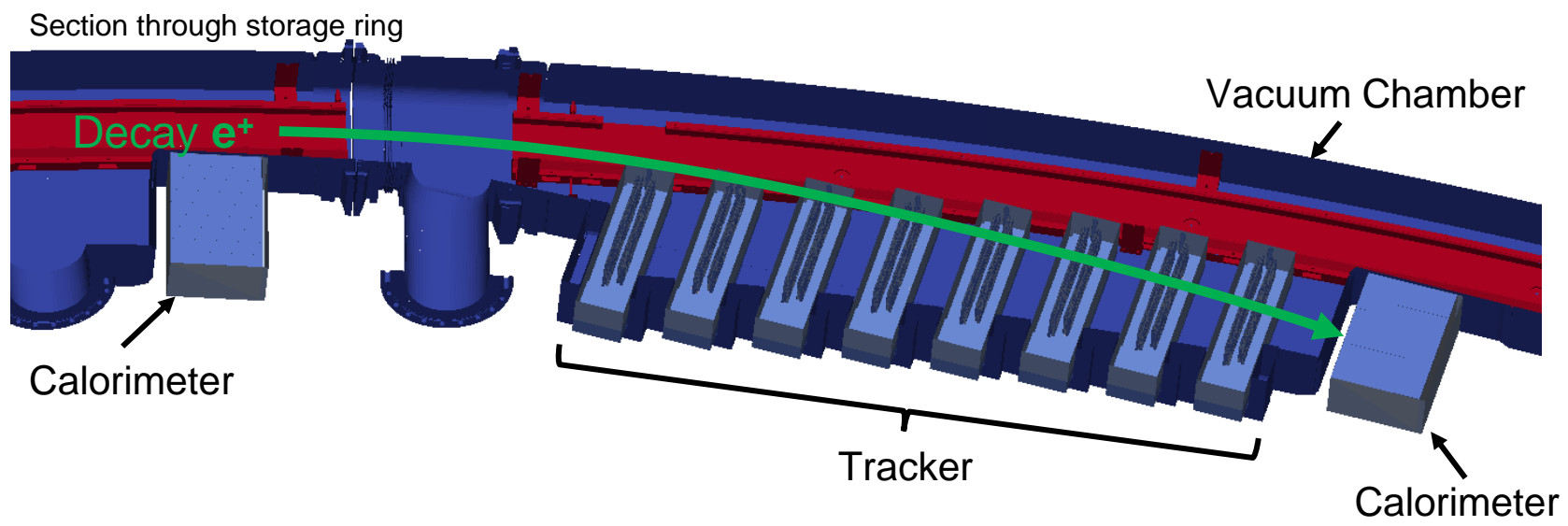
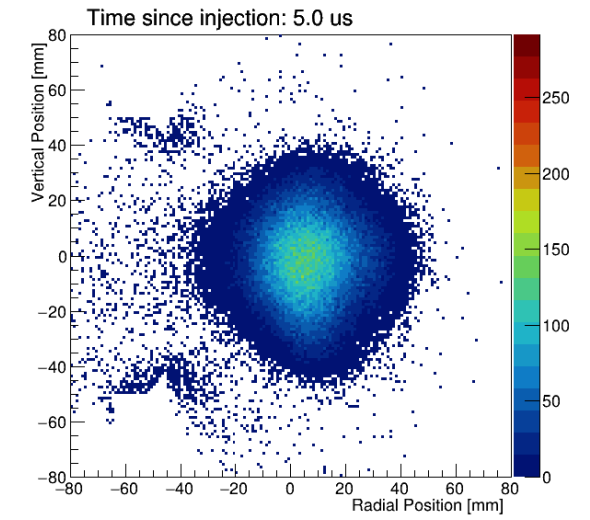
- The **average vertical decay angle will oscillate  $\pi$  out of phase with the  $g-2$  oscillation.**
  - Measure the angle the decay positron makes with the horizontal.
  - Fit this oscillation to extract the tilt angle.





- Two straw tracker stations around the ring.
- **Extrapolate backwards to the positron decay position.**

Beam oscillations → systematics & corrections.  
**Vertical decay angle → EDM.**

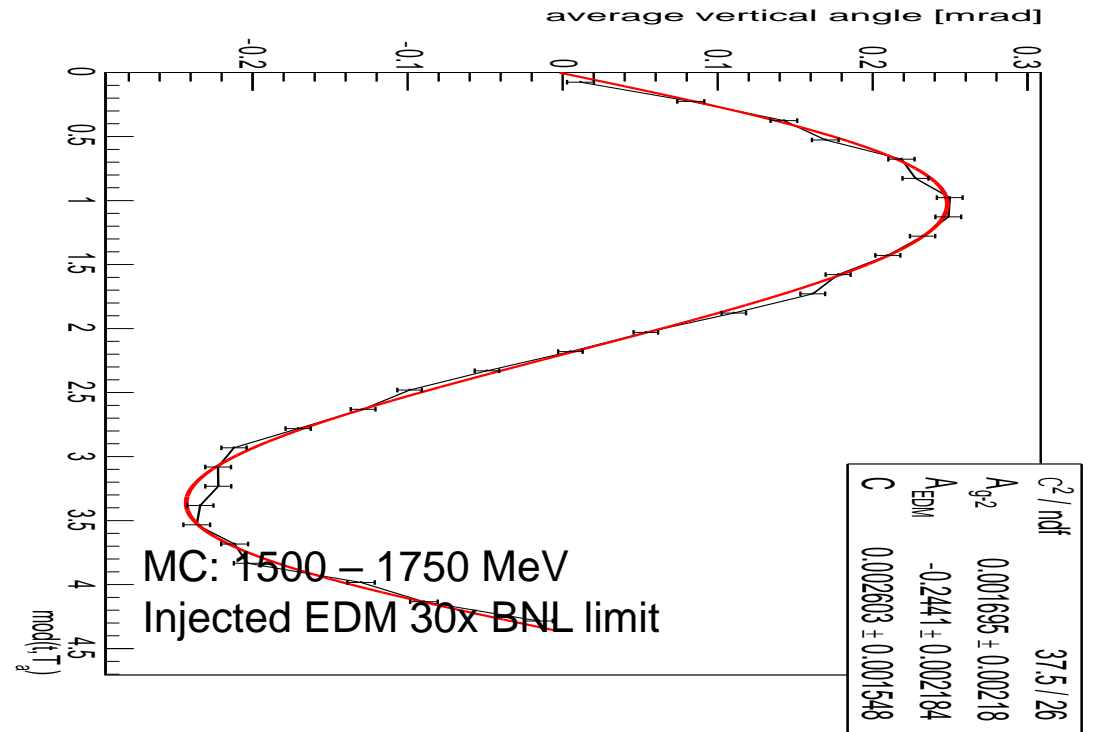


- Use a **momentum binned analysis** for positrons between 1000 – 2500 MeV.
  - Improves the accuracy of the acceptance correction.
- Plot average vertical decay angle  $\langle \theta_y \rangle$  vs. time modulo the g-2 period  $T_a$ .
  - Minimise beam oscillations, maximise oscillations with  $T = T_a$ .

Out of phase with the g-2 oscillation

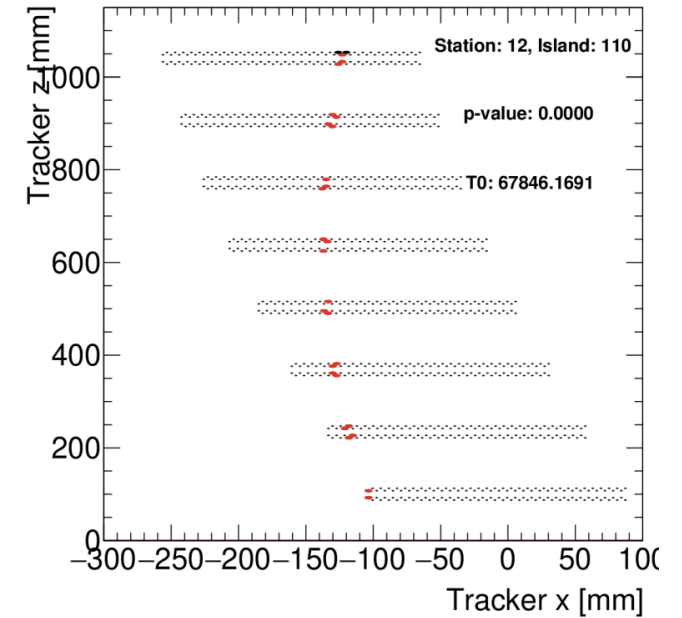
$$\frac{A_{g-2} \cos(\omega_a t + \phi_a) + A_{EDM} \sin(\omega_a t + \phi_a)}{1 + A_N \cos(\omega_a t + \phi_a)} + C$$

From momentum binned tracker wiggle plot

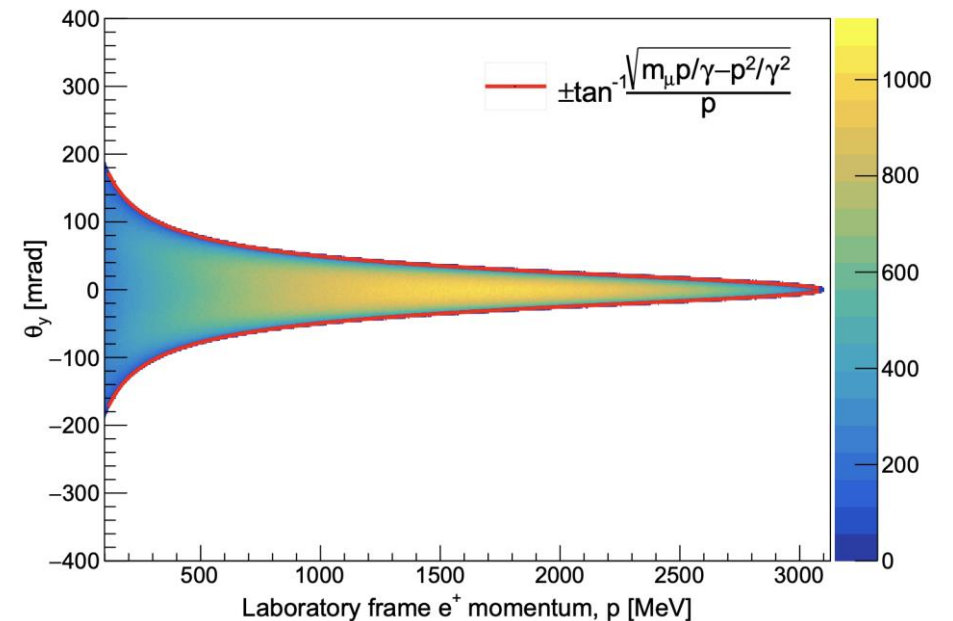




- Result from BNL was statistically limited.
- **Aim to improve the limit by an order of magnitude.**
- To help achieve this **we have been optimising the tracking to increase the statistics for EDM analysis.**
  - Previously, optimised to study beam oscillations using high quality tracks.
- **Managed to increase the number of tracks by 2.7x for Run-2/3**
  - Removing bad hits after fitting and fill-time dependent measures.



- A radial magnetic field would also induce a tilt in the spin precession plane.
  - Measure this directly with a hall probe and using the surface coils.
  - Correct for any tilt from radial field.
- **Tracker acceptance.**
  - The trackers do not see all the decay positrons with same efficiency.
  - Use simulation to determine the impact of this **momentum dependent affect**.



- Experimental limits on EDMs are well above SM predictions.
- Muon g-2 will also measure the **muon EDM** with the aim of **improving the limit by an order of magnitude** with analysis of Run-1 and Run-2/3 data well underway.
- New techniques **increased the number of tracks by 2.7 times for Run-2/3**, which will be crucial in achieving this goal.



Muon g-2 collaboration meeting, Liverpool 2023

Thanks for listening!