

# Dune and Liquid Argon Software (LArSoft) an overview

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# What is a Neutrino?

Greek  
symbol:  $\nu$

Family: lepton



Trillions of neutrinos  
stream through your  
hand every second

(but they're so antisocial,  
only one might actually  
interact with your body  
in your whole lifetime).



Neutrinos rarely interact  
and feel only two forces:

gravity

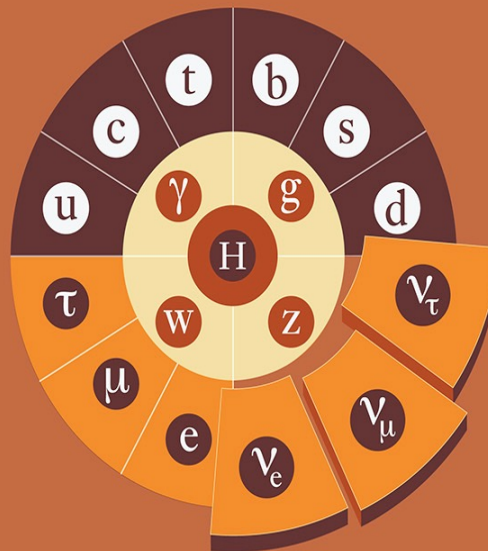
weak force



Antimatter version: antineutrino  
Neutrinos might be their own antiparticles!



## The Intriguing Neutrino



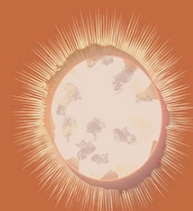
**MASS**

UNKNOWN but incredibly small,  
more than one million times  
smaller than an electron

Spin  
 $1/2$

Charge  
 $0$

When a star explodes,  
99% of the energy is  
carried away by neutrinos



~ Name means ~  
"little  
neutral  
one"



[www.fnal.gov](http://www.fnal.gov)

“

Dear radioactive ones,  
scrutinize and judge.

– Wolfgang Pauli, in his letter proposing  
the neutrino, a "desperate remedy"  
he worried physicists could never detect

”



Neutrinos are  
left-handed and  
antineutrinos are  
right-handed

3 TYPES



electron  
neutrino



muon  
neutrino



tau  
neutrino

Discovered:

1956

1962

2000

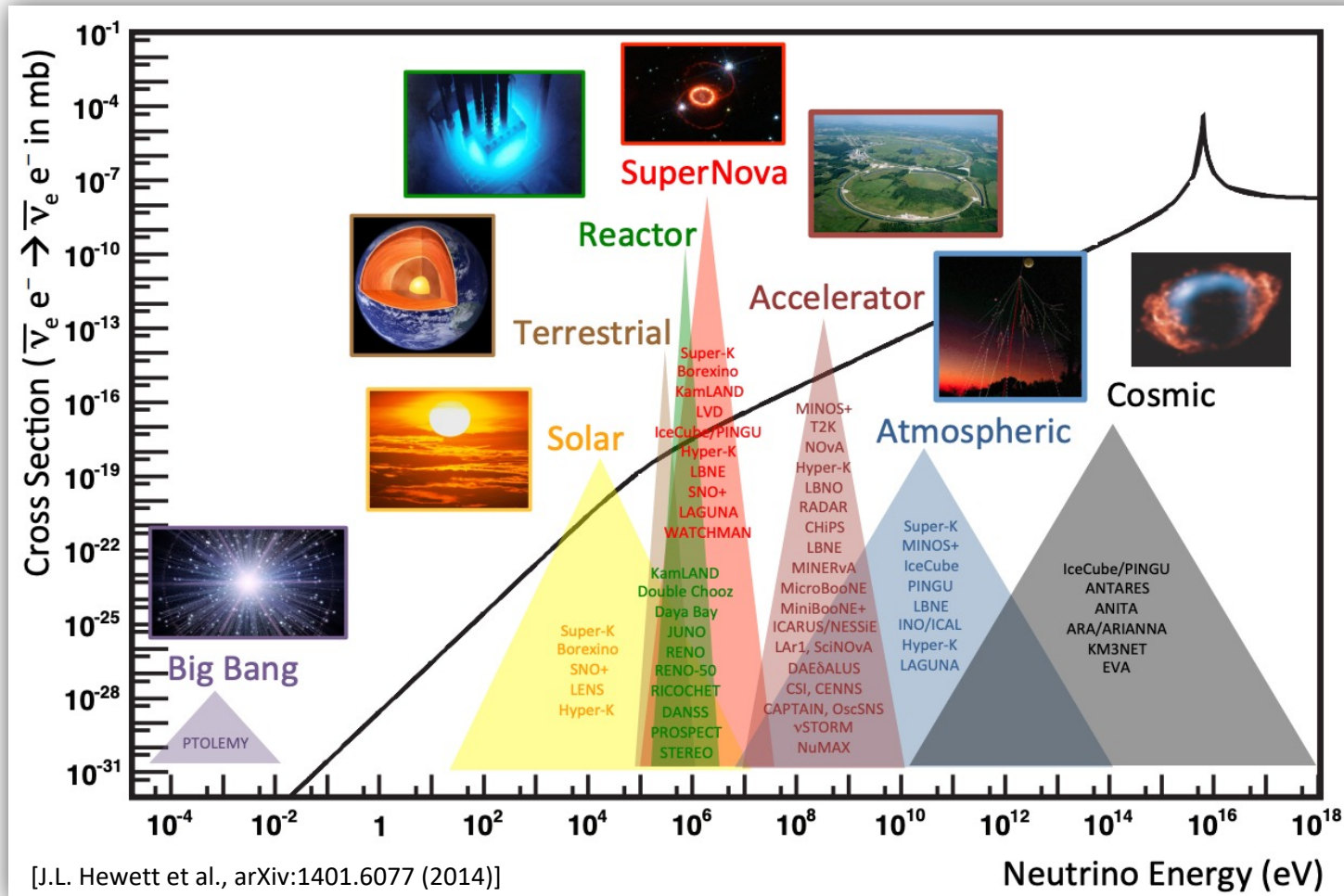
Neutrinos oscillate,  
or change type, as they travel

Fermilab

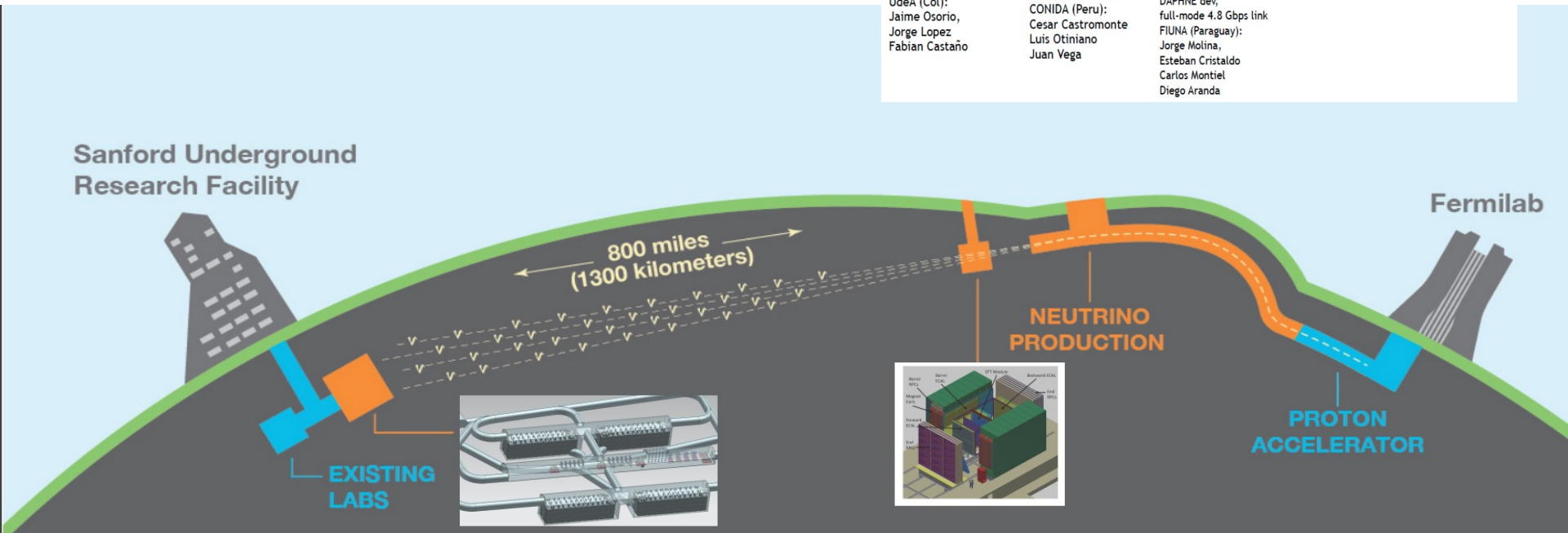
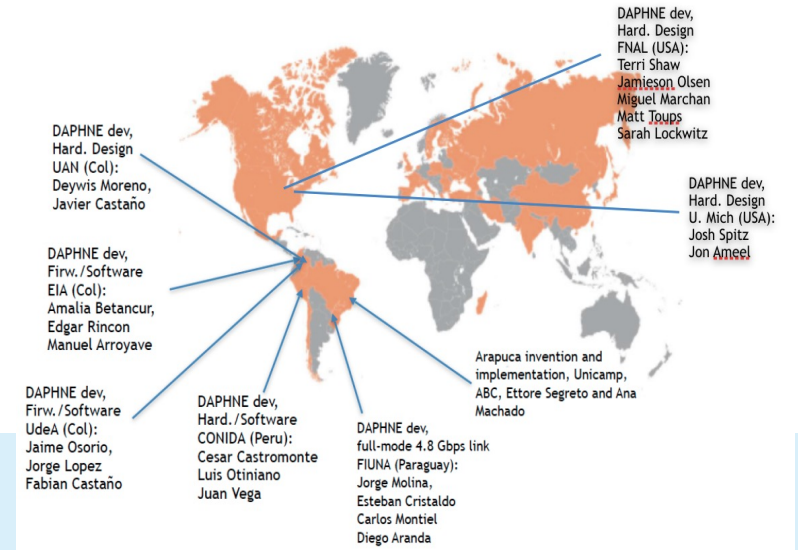


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# Neutrinos



# What is DUNE?



A 70-kton liquid argon TPC distributed in four modules with all the instrumentation *to* see neutrinos



# DUNE Scientific Goals

## Neutrino Oscillations

- CP violation in the neutrino sector
- Neutrino mass hierarchy
- Precision oscillation measurements
- Testing 3v paradigm

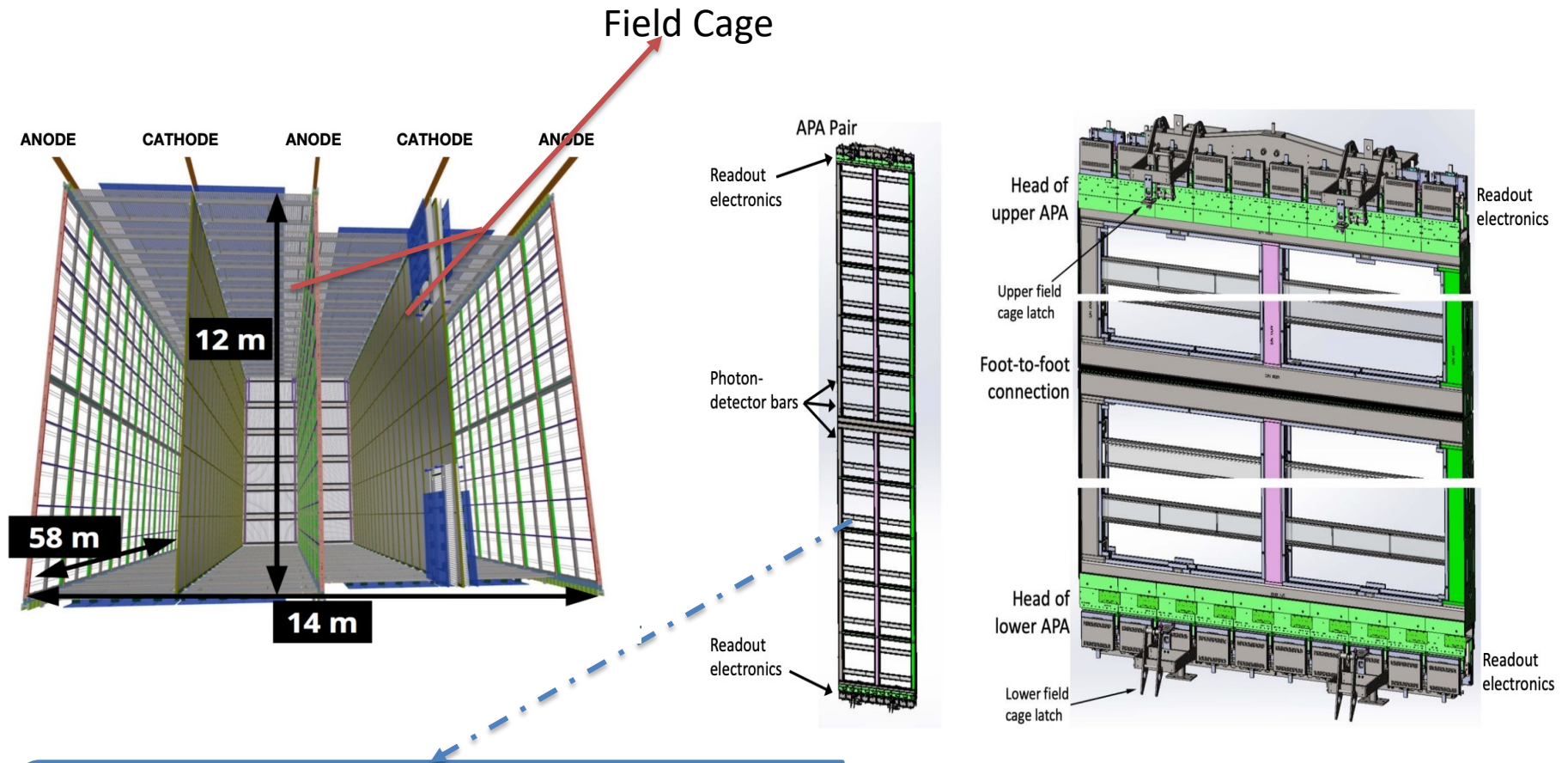
## Proton Decay

- Predicted by BSM theories, but not yet seen
- Unique sensitivity to  $p \rightarrow \bar{\nu}K +$

## Supernova neutrinos

- Neutrino burst from galactic core-collapse supernova

# Far Detector module I: LArTPC plus Photon Detector System (PDS)



Two APAs linked together to form one unit of an APA wall[1].

# TPC Primary Characteristics

## Liquid-Argon Time-Projection Chamber (LArTPC)

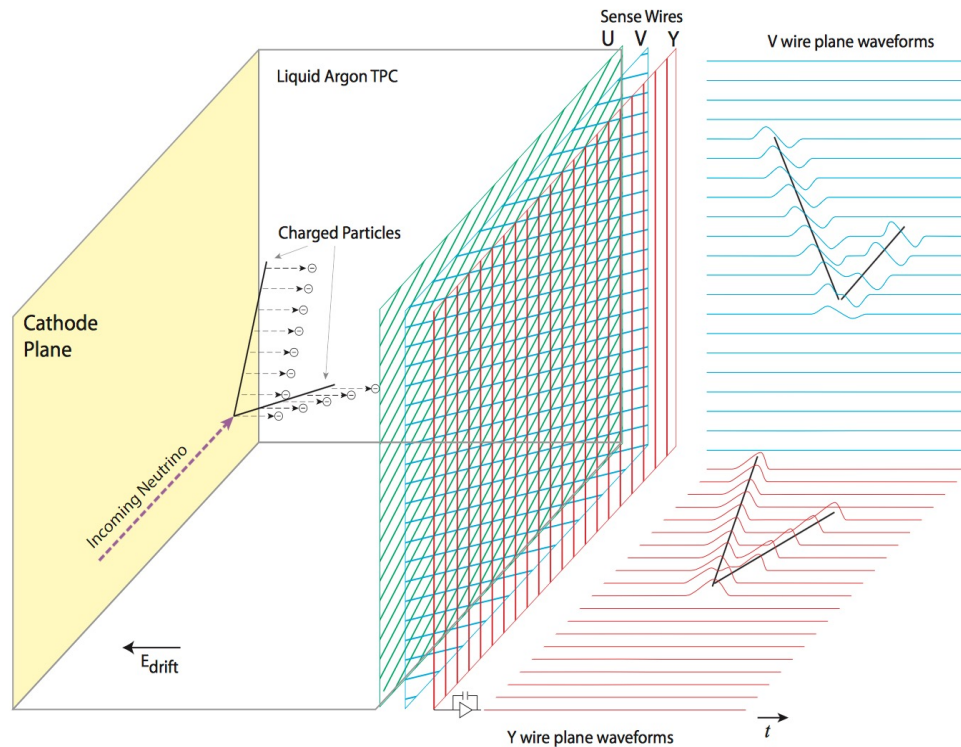


Figure from arXiv:1612.05824

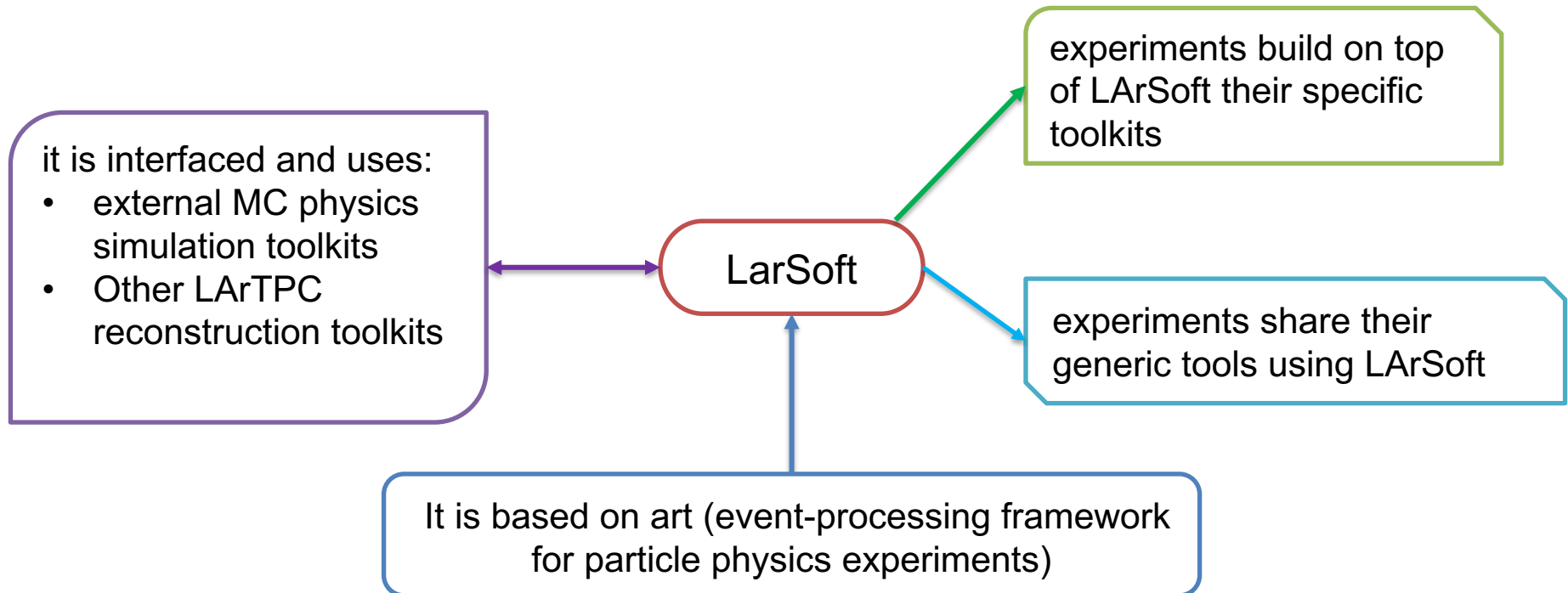
- Charged particles produced in neutrino interactions deposit ionisation trails in liquid argon.
- Ionisation electrons drift in an applied electric field.
- In a single-phase LArTPC, the electrons are detected by a series of wire planes and the photons are detected by the photon detector.



# What is LarSoft?

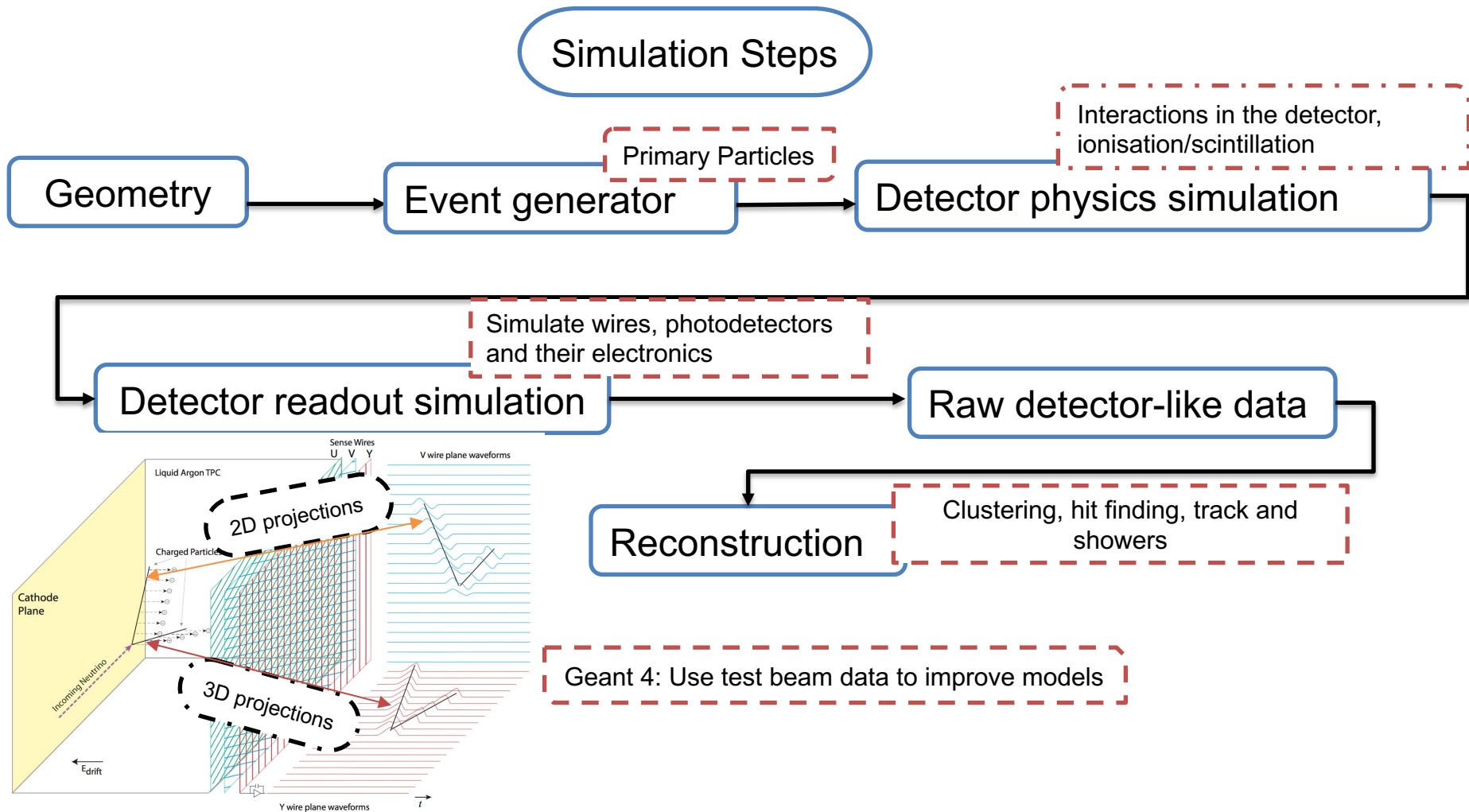
**“A toolkit to facilitate simulation, reconstruction and analysis of events from liquid-argon TPC-based detectors”.**

**LarSoft Tutorial CERN.**



R. Sulej, LArSoft Tutorial at CERN, 31.10.2016

# LarSoft Structure



## Graphics Source

A. Navrer-Agasson - 6th UK LArSoft Workshop - Edinburgh

# LarSoft Structure

## Reconstruction Steps

Raw data, sim or real detector

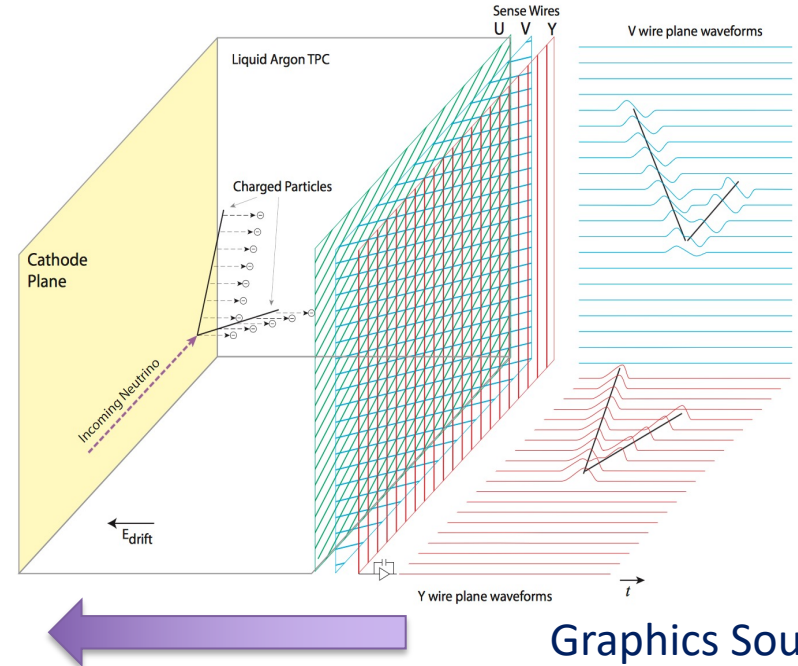
Deconvolution

2D hits/ 3D cells

Hit finding and 3D imaging

- Pattern recognition
- Trajectory fit
- Vertex finding
- EM showers
- Hierarchy recognition

Full real event, ready for PID and kinematics



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# Pandora and LarSoft

**Pandora is a multialgorithm** pattern recognition framework that operates externally to LarSoft but with direct modules and algorithms in LarSoft

Takes Hit collections as input, and performs

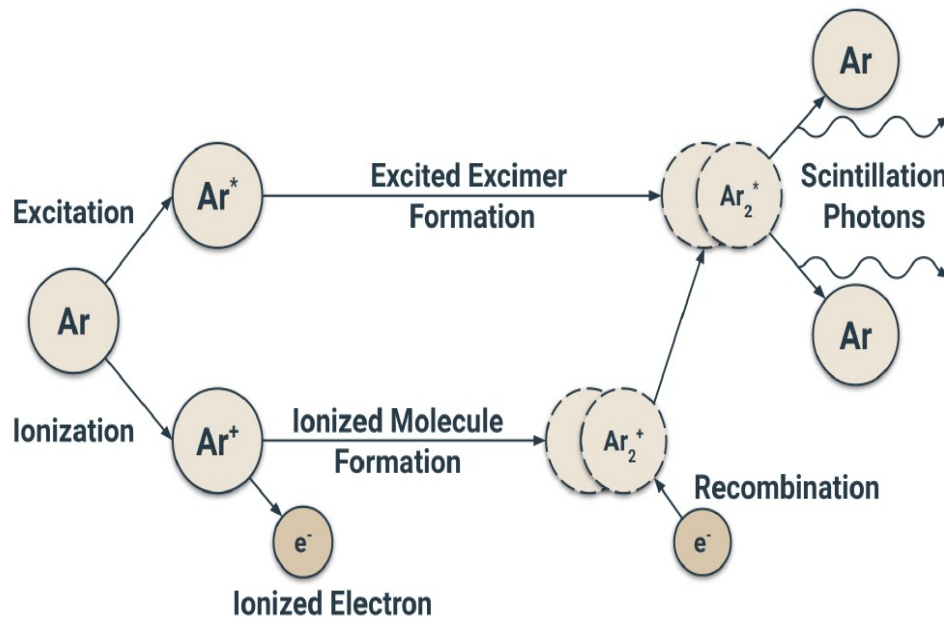
- 2D cluster finding (track-like and shower-like)
- 3D matching
- shower/track discrimination
- vertex finding and classification



Produces PFParticles

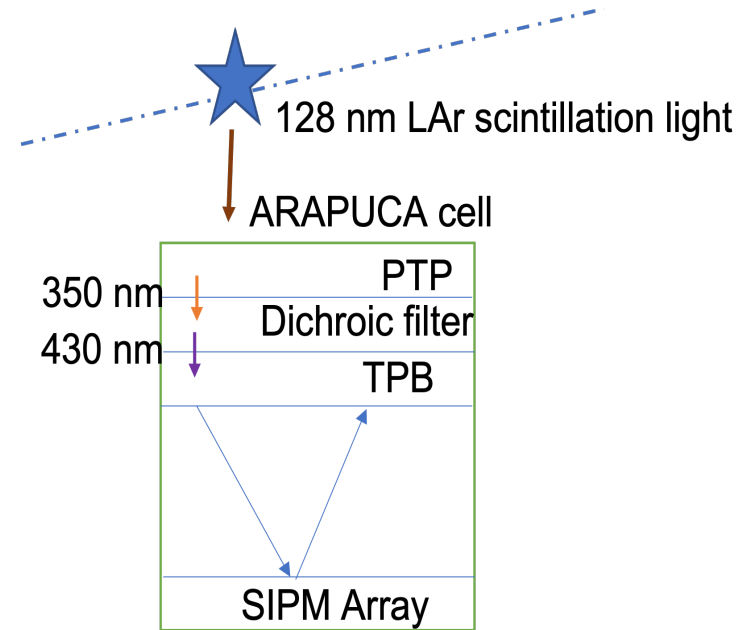
- Mother-daughter hierarchy for all particles from a single event vertex
- Distinguish tracks, delta rays, showers, vertices

# How the PDS Works



Schematic of scintillation light production in argon [1].

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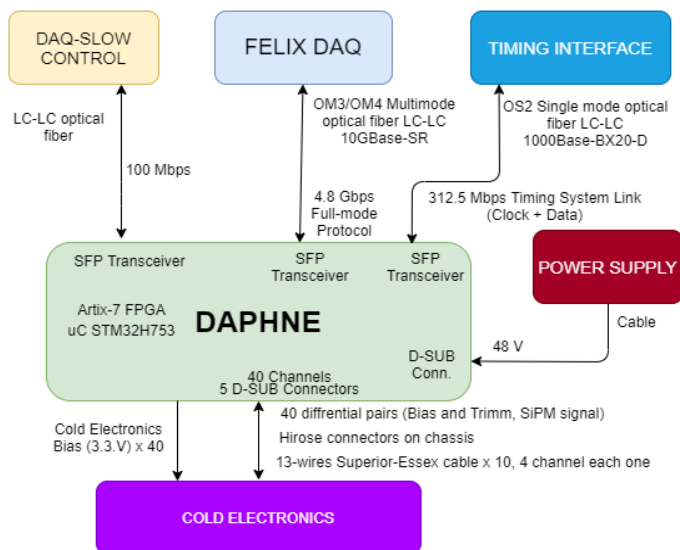


ARAPUCA cell configuration based on [2]



# DAPHNE

DAPHNE GENERAL BLOCK DIAGRAM



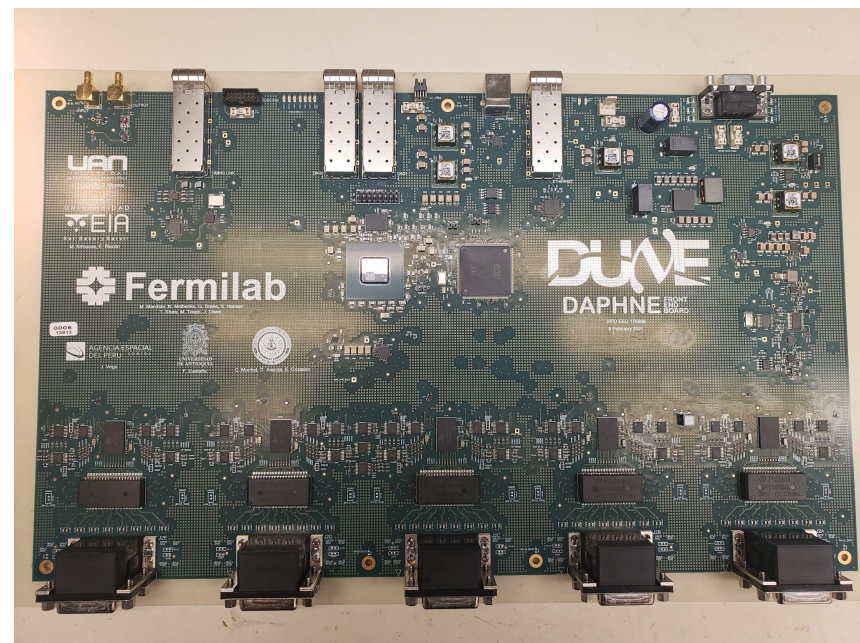
- **D**etector electronics for **A**cquiring **P**Hotons from **N**eutrinos
- **PDS** warm electronics

Slow Control, Timing and Data Interfaces specified by: [https://edms.cern.ch/ui/file/2088726/2/2088726\\_DID\\_DAQSC\\_PDS\\_V2\\_docx\\_cpdf.pdf](https://edms.cern.ch/ui/file/2088726/2/2088726_DID_DAQSC_PDS_V2_docx_cpdf.pdf)

Cold-Warm Electronics interface specification: [https://edms.cern.ch/ui/file/2342785/1/Cold\\_Warm\\_PDS\\_Interface\\_4\\_27\\_2020.pdf](https://edms.cern.ch/ui/file/2342785/1/Cold_Warm_PDS_Interface_4_27_2020.pdf) (connector definition to be updated)

DAPHNE-ColdElec interface connector: 5 D-SUB connectors, 30 pins (dual 15 pins), 8 channels/1 AFE each one (currently under analysis), 3 options to connect to the chassis (where the Hirose connectors are located)

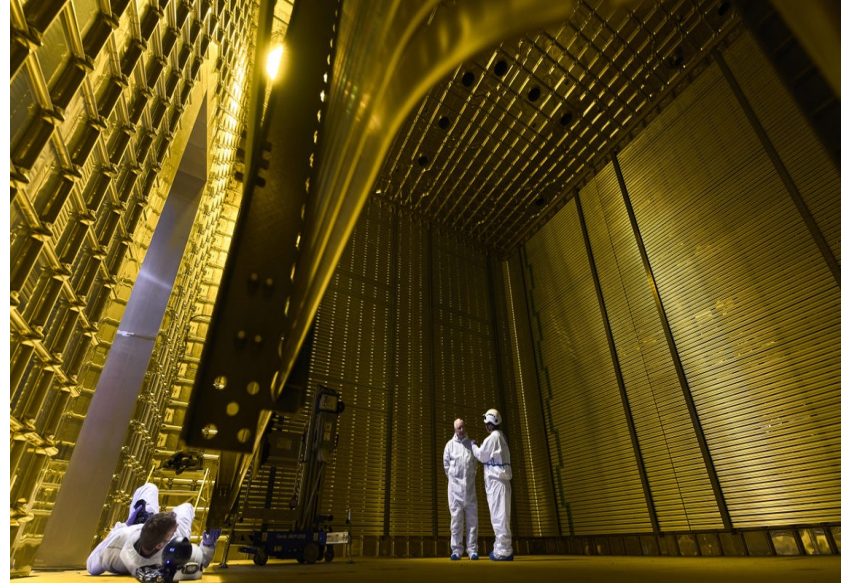
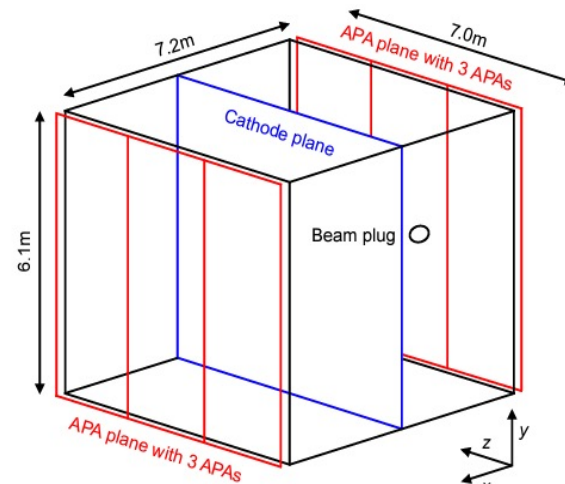
Power supply connector: D-SUB, required a locked connector, redundancy, return, remote sensing features



# DAPHNE and ProtoDUNE - II

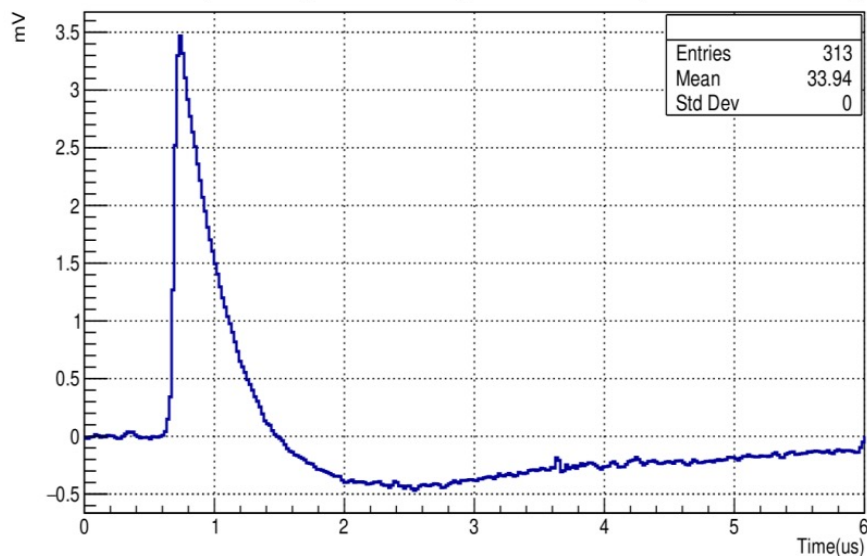
## Goals:

- Full characterization of “Module 0”s for DUNE Far Detector: improved APAs, HV system components, cold electronics, photon detectors, DAQ.
- Increase beam data statistics (cross section measurements, particle identification, calibration, reconstruction)
- Complete data sets with negative polarity for electrons, muons, pions, kaons in momentum range 0.3-7 GeV, with special attention to lower momenta
- Develop, implement, and demonstrate new calibration techniques, non implemented in ProtoDUNE Phase 1, including a laser calibration system and a pulsed neutron source



# DAPHNE

## SPE Template (Cold Amplifier-> input DAPHNE)



Photon Detector Simulation and Physics WG meeting.  
Maritza Delgado. October 3, 2022.

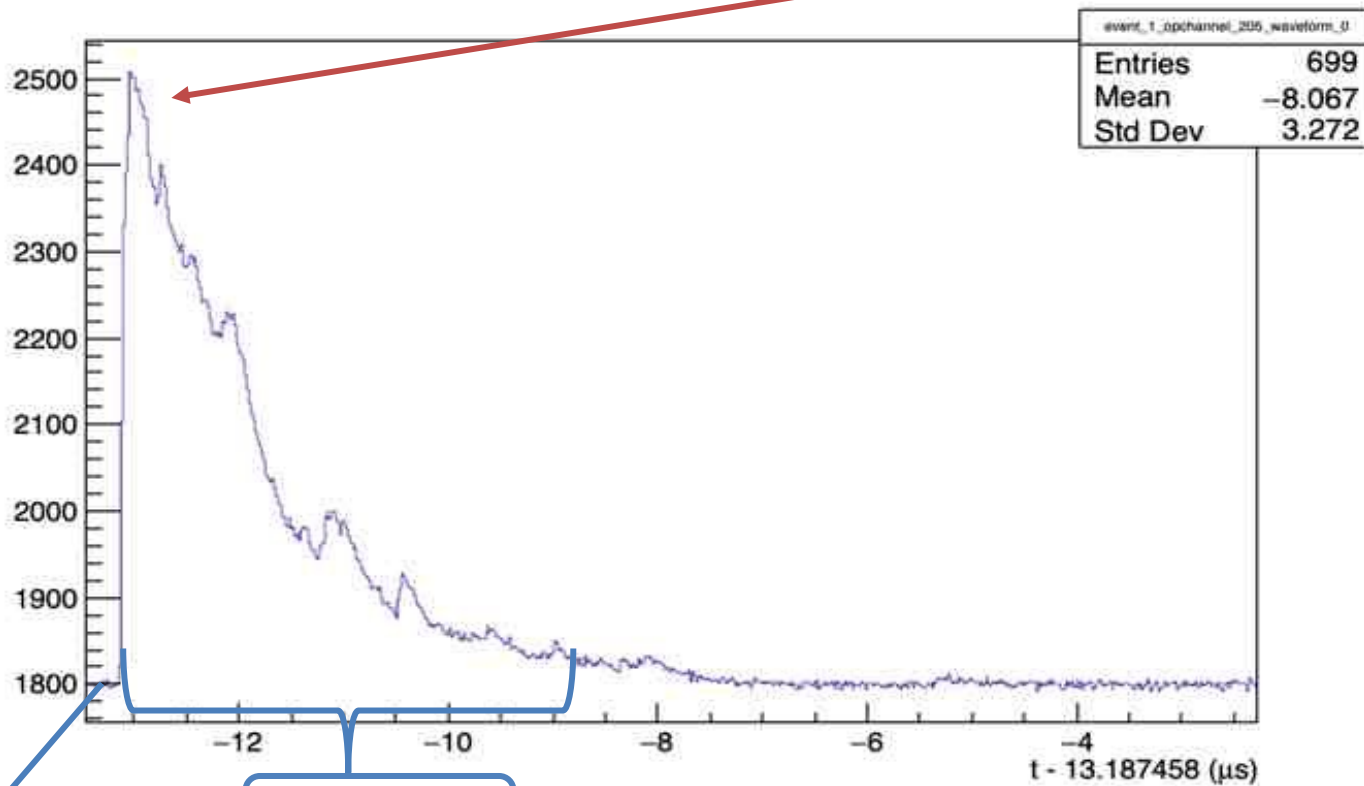
Pulse Length	$6 \mu s$
Max Amplitude	3.5 mV
Rise Time	$\sim 100 ns$
Fall Time	$\sim 1 \mu s$





# Photon Detection System Simulation Examples

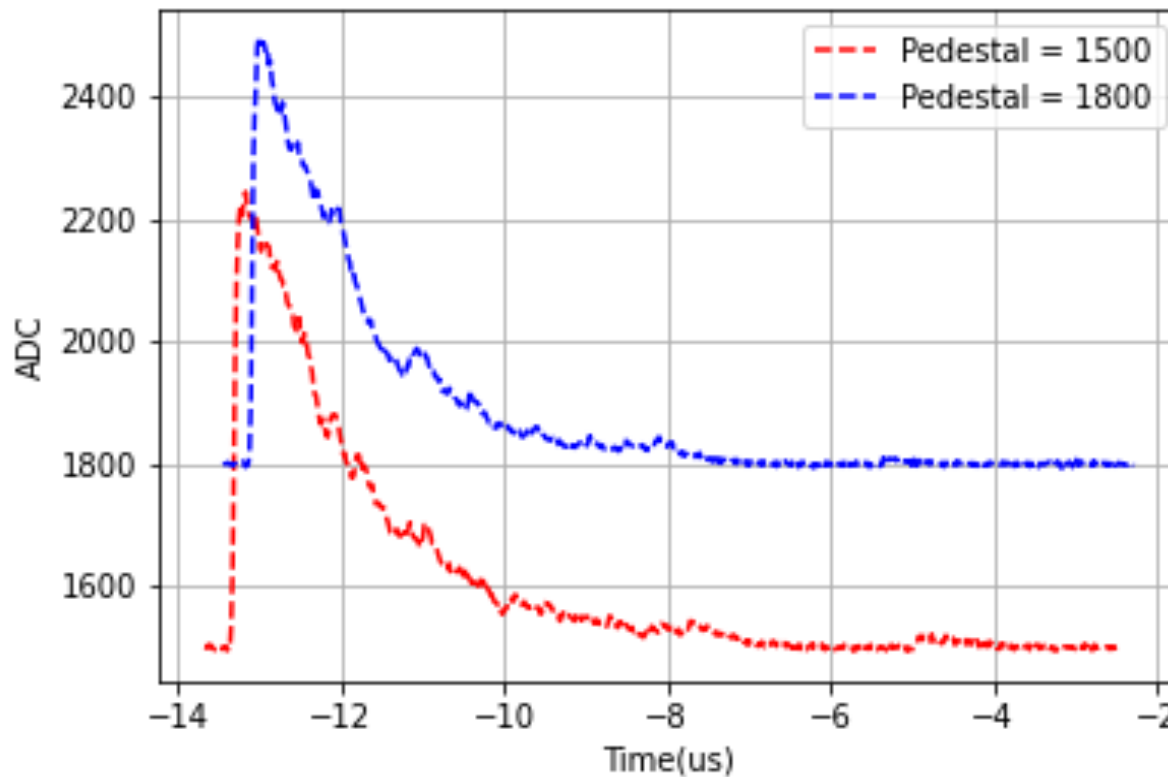
Waveform representation: ADC vs time distribution in  $\mu s$



Pedestal

320 Ticks

# Photon Detection System Simulation Examples





# Summary

- ❑ DUNE will enable high-precision neutrino measurements, encompassing:
  - CP violation measurement and neutrino mass ordering determination, studies of neutrinos from a galactic supernova burst, and potentially solar neutrinos and many BSM searches, including sterile neutrinos, baryon number violation, non-standard interactions.
- ❑ Related to DAPHNE Integration into the DAQ system is progressing in different labs in CERN.
- ❑ LarSoft will provided the simulations results to find the time distribution and number of photons per channel, also will help to know what is the appropriate length of the waveform.
- ❑ The following year combing tools as LarSoft and ROOT will be integrated in the data analysis of the experimental results from the different experiments with DAPHNE.

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