

The DUNE Photon Detection System (Phase I)

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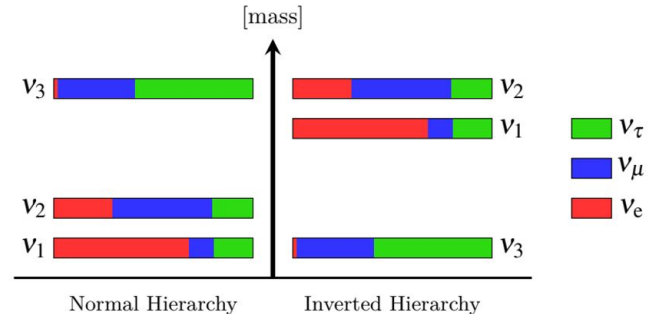
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Mysteries of neutrinos

Even if neutrinos are fundamental particles which have been detected 70 years ago there **are still several open questions related to their properties:**

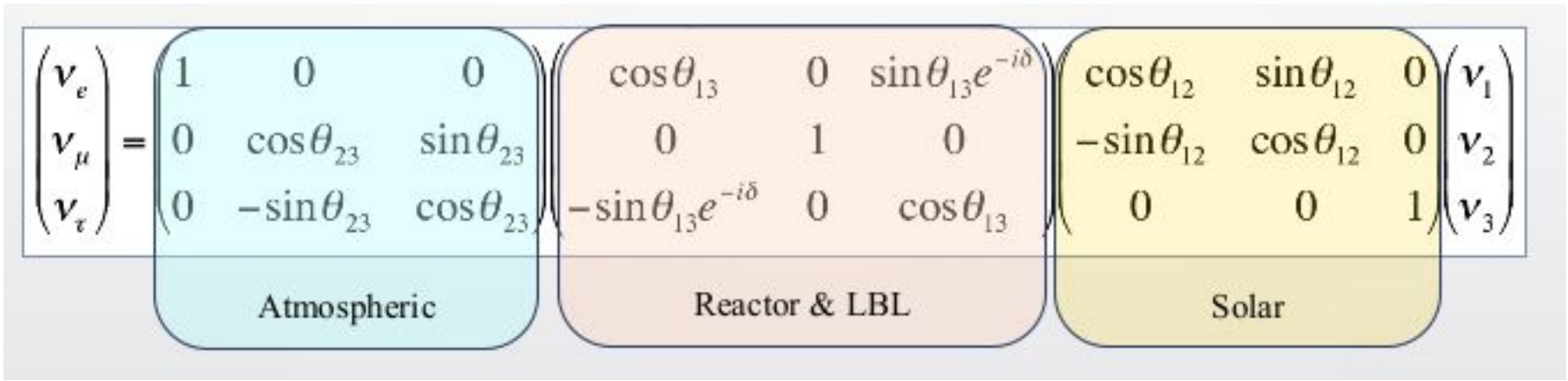
- Are neutrinos their own antiparticle ?
- What are the masses of neutrino?
- How are the mass ordered ? (mass hierarchy)
- Do neutrino and anti-neutrino oscillate in a different way? (CP violation)
- Are there other neutrino types or interactions ?



Neutrino Oscillation

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.799 \dots 0.844 & 0.516 \dots 0.582 & 0.141 \dots 0.156 \\ 0.242 \dots 0.494 & 0.467 \dots 0.678 & 0.639 \dots 0.774 \\ 0.284 \dots 0.521 & 0.490 \dots 0.695 & 0.615 \dots 0.754 \end{bmatrix}$$

The flavor eigenstate of a neutrino is a linear combination of three mass eigenstates:



The probability of transition from a muon neutrino to an electron neutrino is:

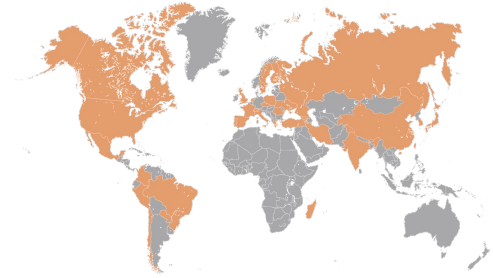
$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) \sim \sin^2(2\theta_{13})\sin^2(\theta_{23})\sin^2(\Delta m_{12}^2 L/4E)$$

Where we neglect CP violation terms and matter effects.



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Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment (DUNE)



Next generation international neutrino oscillation experiment

LBNF neutrino beam

Near Detector

Two TPCs + magnetized beam monitor located at Fermilab, with the goal to characterize the neutrino beam

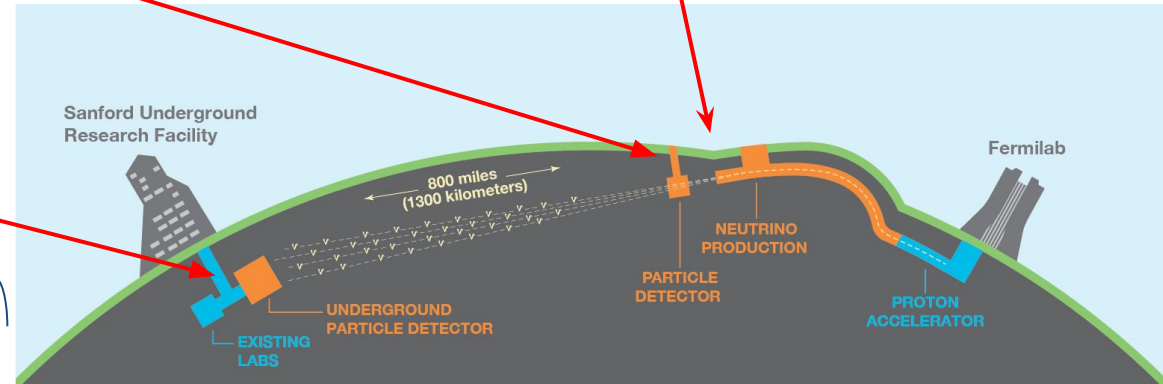
- ND-LAr
- TMS (Phase I)
- SAND

Far Detector

Phase I - FD1 and FD2
Phase II - FD3 and FD4

Fermilab accelerators produce a 1 MW proton beam. The beam hits a target of graphite producing as a final result muonic neutrinos with an energy ranging from 0.5 to 5 GeV.

Power: 1.2 MW up to 2.1 MW



DUNE goals

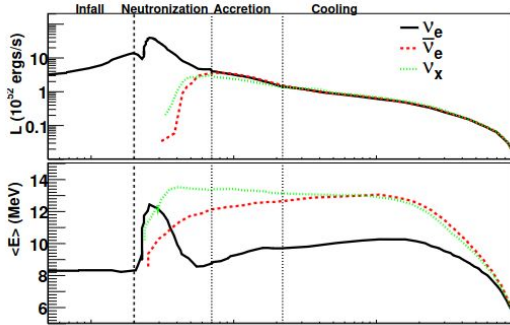
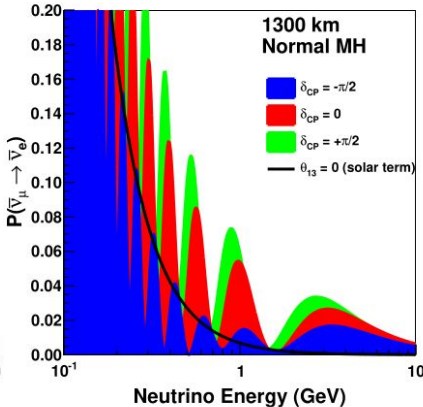
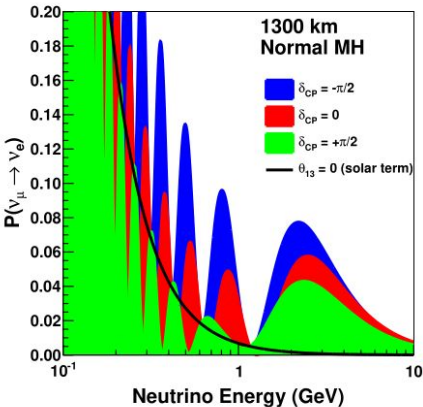
- **Neutrino oscillation parameters:**

- Mass ordering
- CP violation
- Better precision on parameters

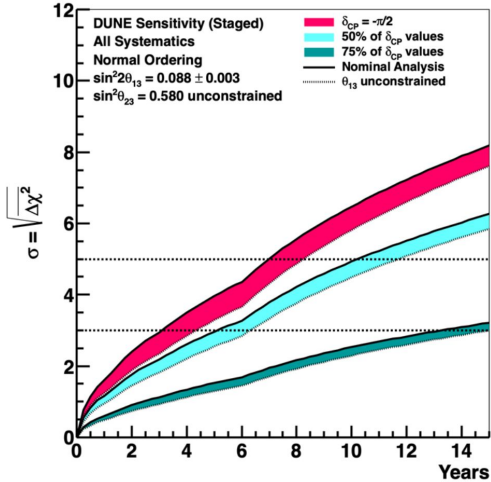
- **No beam data**

PDS very important to trigger

- Proton decay
- Solar neutrinos
- Supernova neutrinos
- BSM
- and more

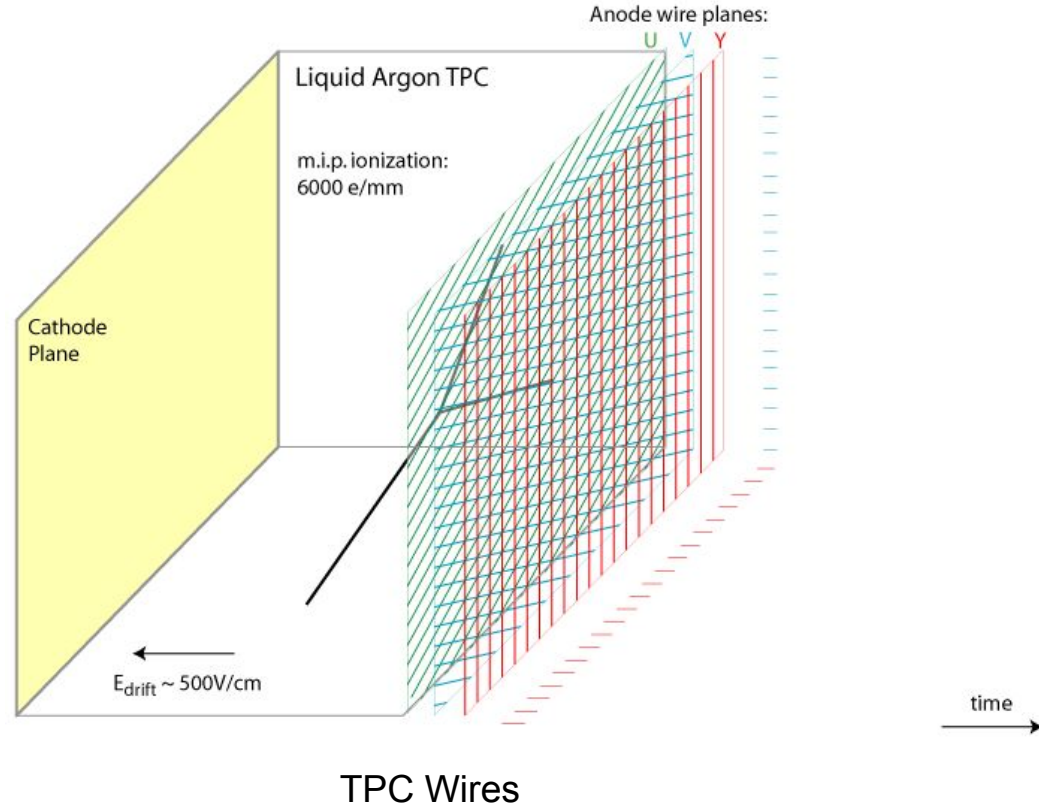


CP Violation Sensitivity

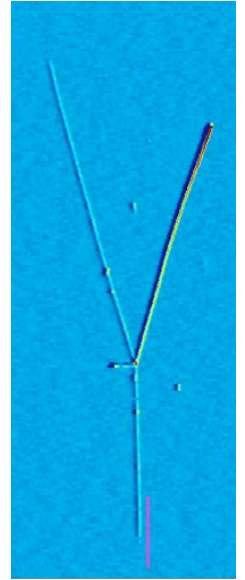


LArTPC (Liquid Argon Time projection Chamber)

Charged particle in LAr produces free **ionization electrons** and **scintillation light** (128 nm)

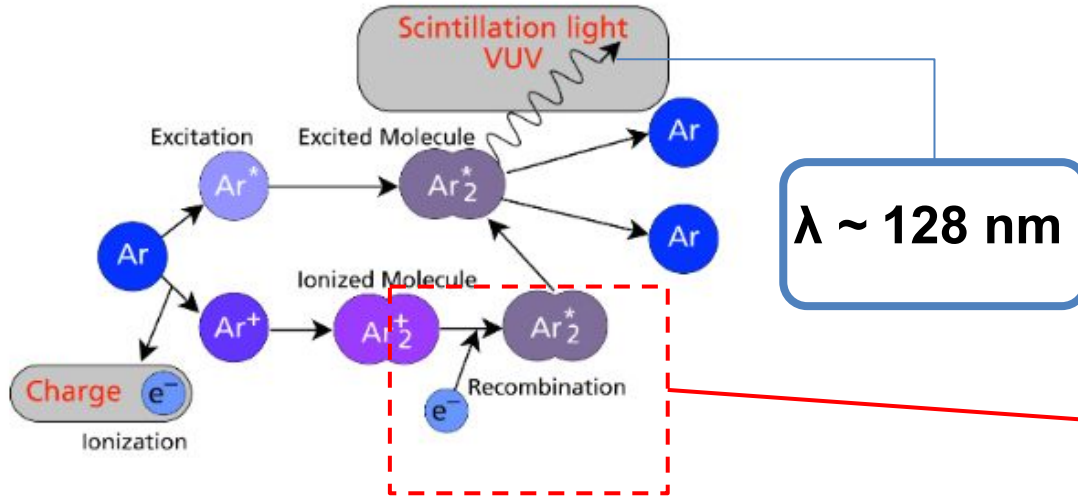


LArTPC DATA



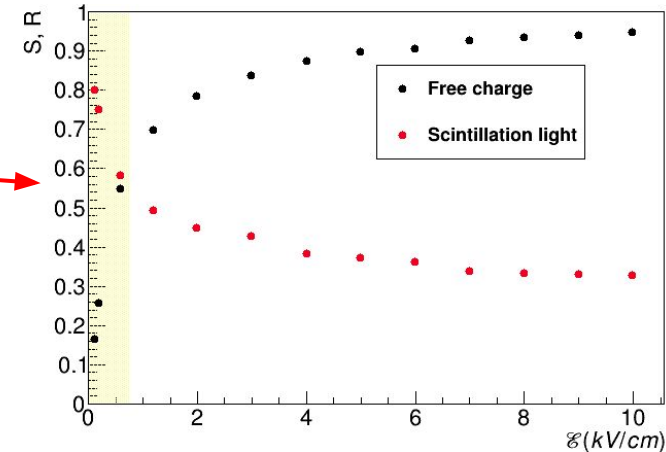
Scintillation

- Production of photons in argon: 40000 photons/MeV
@ 0 kV/cm



Slow component: 1.5 ~ 1.6 μs
Fast component: 6 ~ 10 ns

Due to quenching,
it is possible to do particle
discrimination:
Electron vs Nuclear recoil

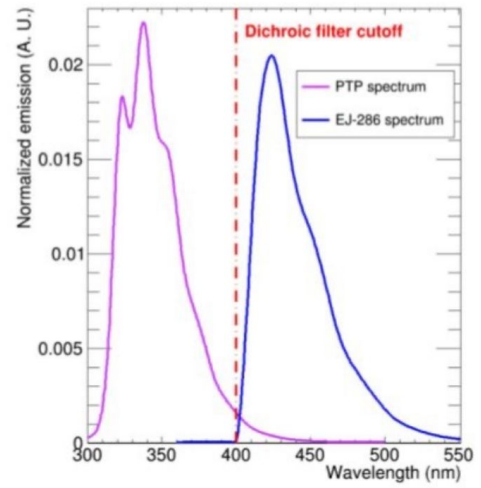
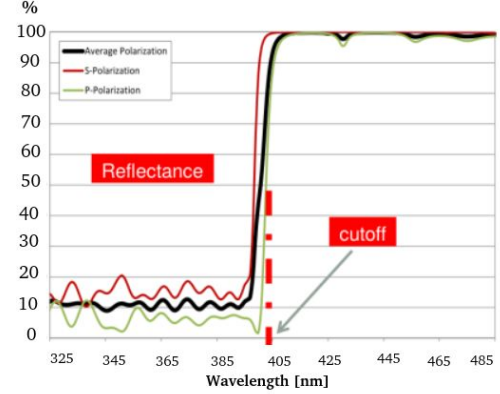
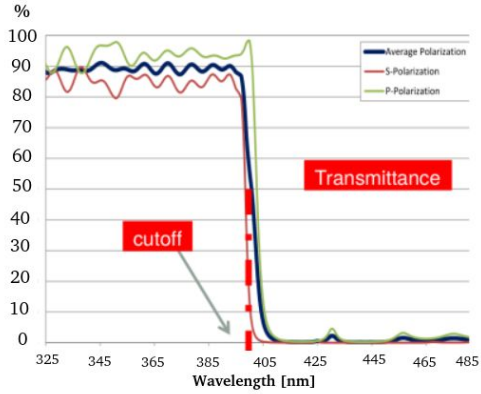
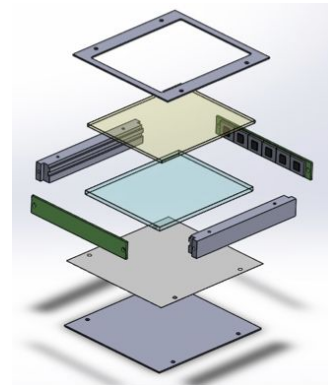
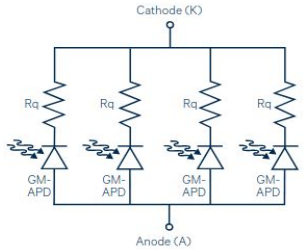
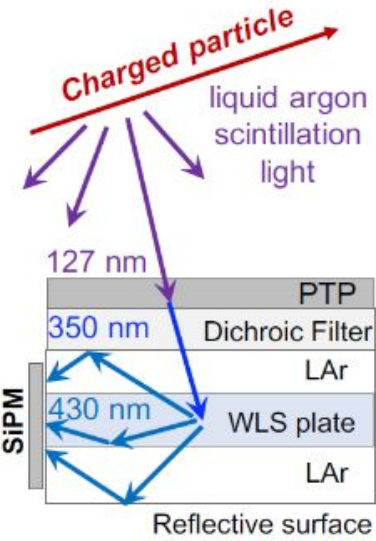


X-ARAPUCA

ARAPUCAs are light-collecting devices;

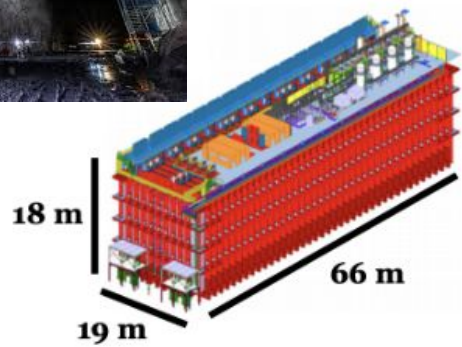
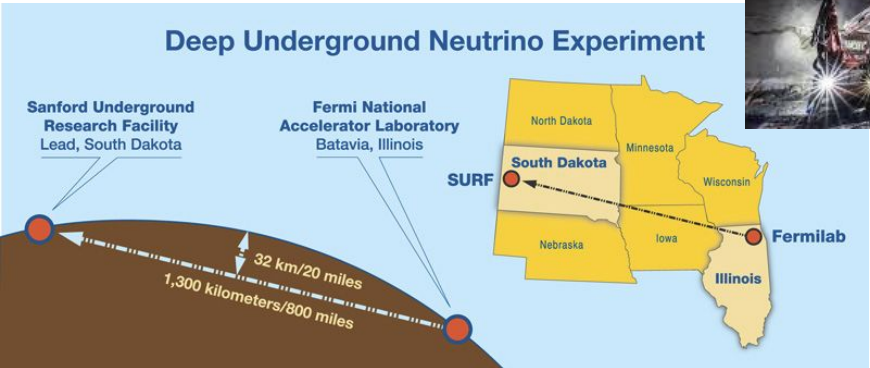
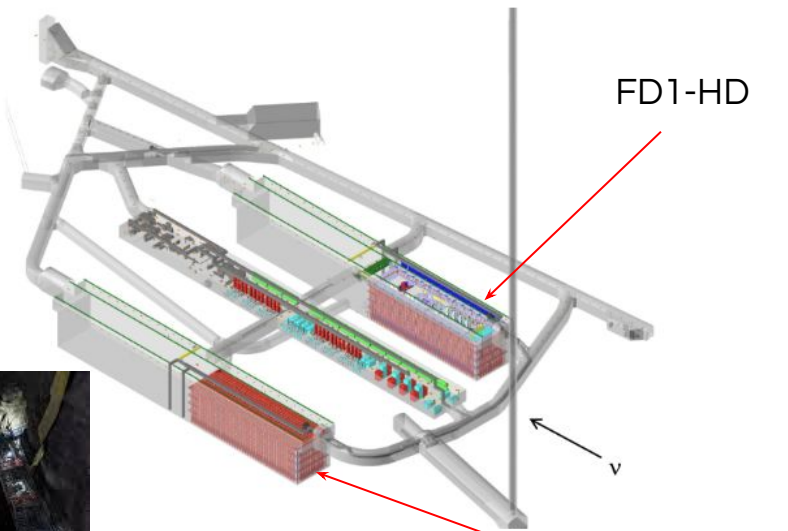
They are composed of:

- Mechanical structure
- p-Terphenyl (pTP) layer
- Dichroic filter
- Light guide bar
- Reflective foil (Vikuiti)
- Silicon Photomultiplier (SiPMs)



DUNE Far Detectors

- 4 LArTPCs of 17 kton and 1.5 km underground
- Phase I :
 - FD1 - Horizontal Drift LArTPC**
 - FD2 - Vertical Drift LArTPC**
- Phase II :
 - FD3 and FD4:**
 - Vertical drift**



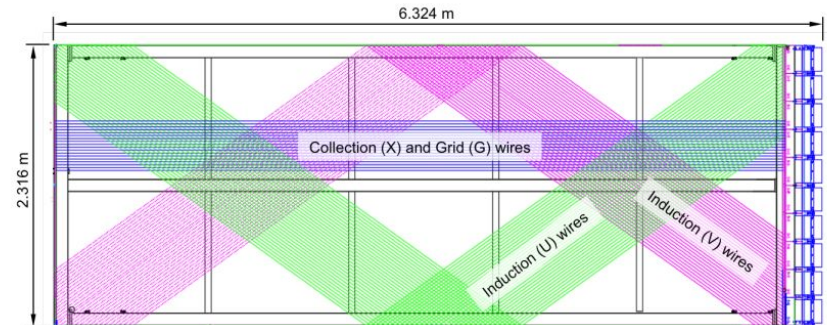
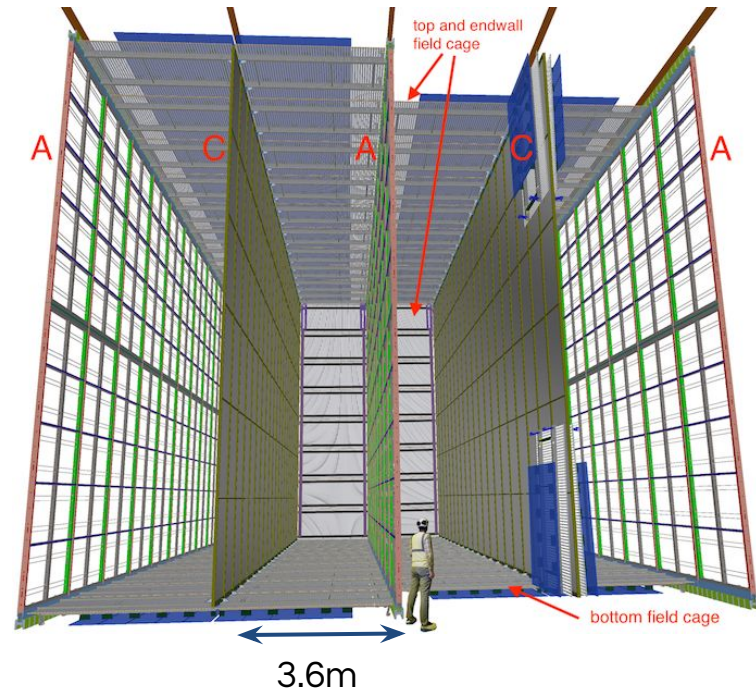
FD1-HD

- 4 Drift Volume (3.6 m x 58 m x 12 m)
- 3 Anodes and 2 cathodes
 - Cathode → 2 CPA array → each 150 (6x25) Cathode Plane Assembly (CPA) at: -180kV
 - 3 Anode Plane → each 50 (2x25) Anode Plane Assembly (APA) at ground potential

4 wire planes: 1 Collection (X),
2 Induction (U,V) and 1 Grid (G)

- Fiducial volume: 10 kton
- Field Cage to uniform Electric Field

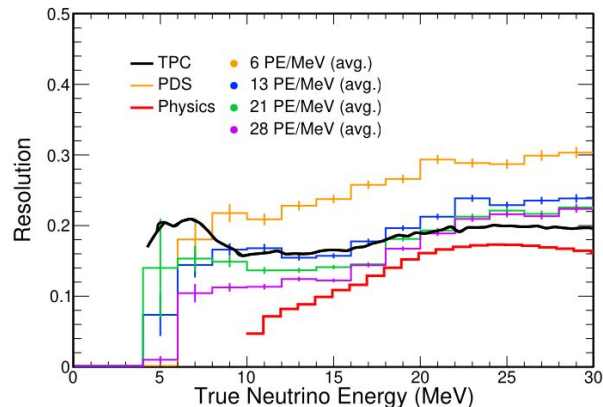
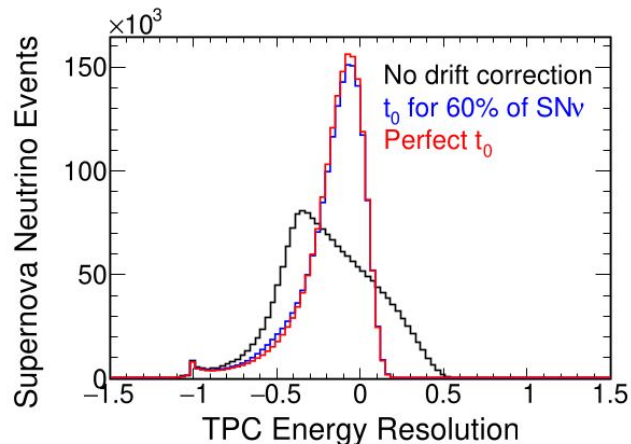
Electric field: 500 V/cm
25000 photons/MeV
and
27000 electrons/MeV



PDS

- What is the goal of PDS?
 - Increase energy resolution
 - Trigger for non beam events
 - Better time precision
 - Measurement of t_0
 - Cross check with charge measurements
 - Charge correction

- electron drift speed:
~ 1.6 mm/ μ s
- photon speed:
~ 2×10^5 mm/ μ s

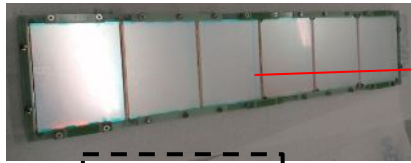


PDS-HD

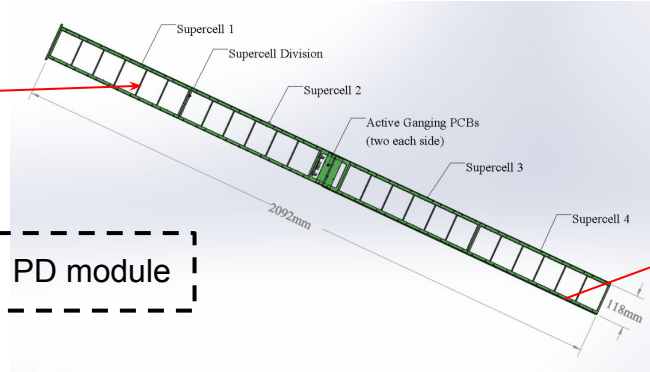
- 10 PD modules for APA → 1500 in total
- 1 PD module → 4 super cell X-ARAPUCA (49 cm x 10 cm)
- Inside the APA: not decrease the active volume

500 dual-face (middle anode)
1000 single-face (edge anodes)

PDE ~ 2%



Supercell



PD module



APA

SUPER CELL:

- EJ-286 WLS Light Bar (487 mm x 93 mm x 3.5 mm)
- 48 SiPMS per SUPERCELL → 192 per PD module

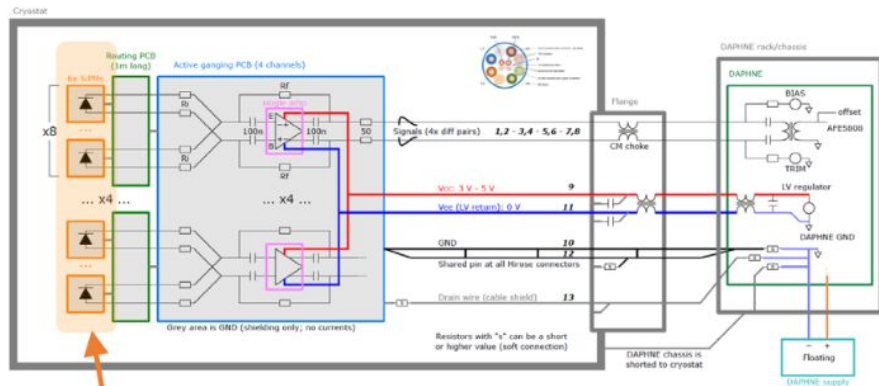
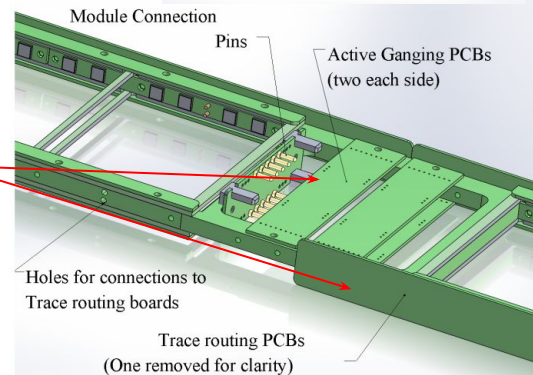
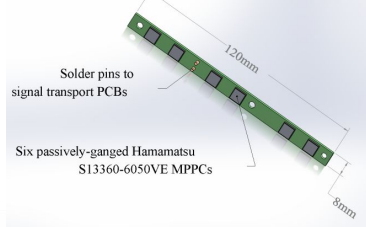
- 6 dichroic windows with a pTP layer

Channels and electronics

1 channel = 1 SuperCell (48 SiPMs)
 → Bias and signal → same line

- Passive ganging: 6 SiPM from mounting board
- Active ganging: 8 SiPM mounting board
 Cold amplifier → Differential Signal
- Warm electronics: **DAPHNE** (Detector electronics from Acquiring PHotons from NEutrinos): Amplification, digitalization, sending to DAQ, and more

based on **mu2e** cosmic ray veto



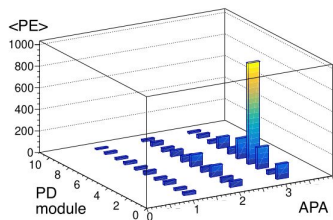
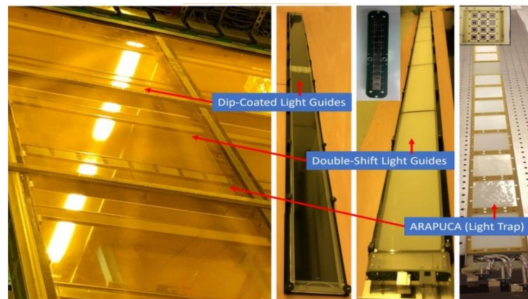
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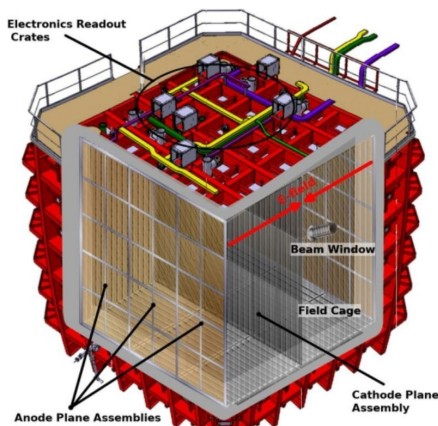
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Proto-DUNE SP

- 0.42 kton fiducial LAr
- 6 APAs

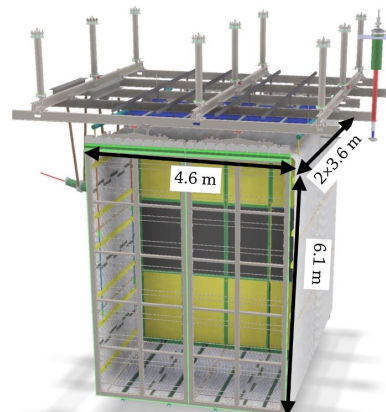


Successful



Proto-DUNE HD

- 0.28 kton fiducial LAr
- 4 APAs
- Moved to X-ARAPUCA



– 2 different WLS and SiPMs (Hamamatsu and FBK)

Data being collected at 2024

FD2-VD

- First module to be delivered
- It has evolved from old concept for FD2 Dual Phase LarTPC
- Two drifts volumes (each with **6.5 m x 13.5 m x 60 m**)

2 Anode Planes → 1 Anode Plane have 80 Charge Readout Planes (CRP)

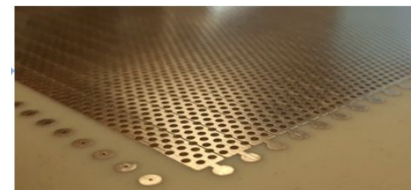
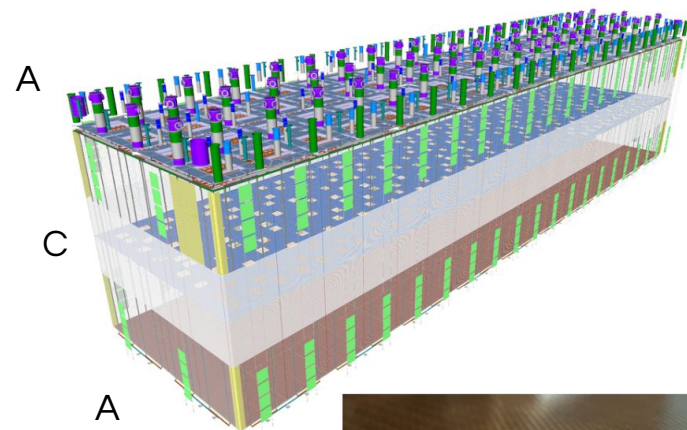
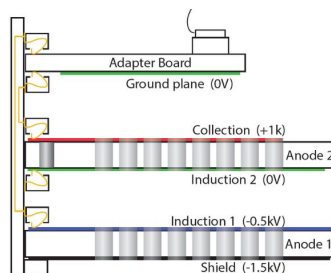
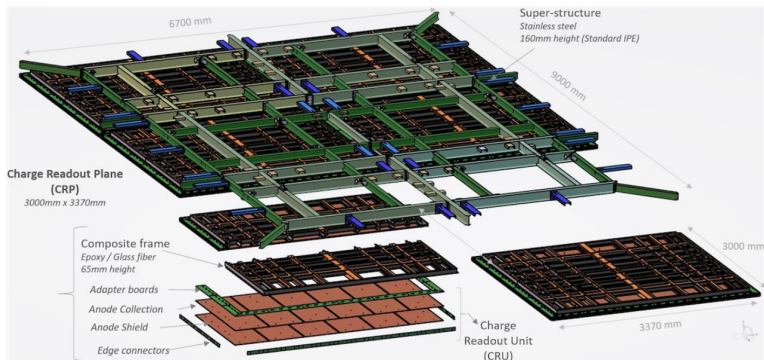
– CRP (3 m x 3.4 m) → Each CRP have 2 CRU (Charge Readout Unit)

–3 readout charge channel made of 2 perforated PCBs per CRU

A lot of challenges due to the HV and dual phase characteristics

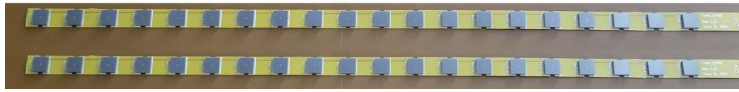
HD VS VD

- cheaper and simpler than HD
- Better light coverage



Cathode → -294 kV
Electric field = ~ 450 V/cm

PDS-VD



MEGACELL X-ARAPUCA

- Dimension 65 cm x 65 cm
- One WLS slab (Glass to Power)
- 160 SiPMs (40 at each side)
- SiPM → 6 mm x 6 mm
- 16 dichroic filter per side
- 2 channels → 80 SiPMs/channel

Cathode :

→ 80 cathode modules (same size of CRP)

→ Each cathode model has 4 X-Arapuca Megacell double-faced

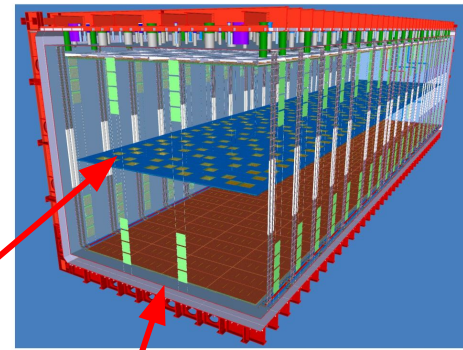
→ total: 320 double faced Megacell

Walls :

→ Behind the field cage (70% transparent) on the four membrane walls

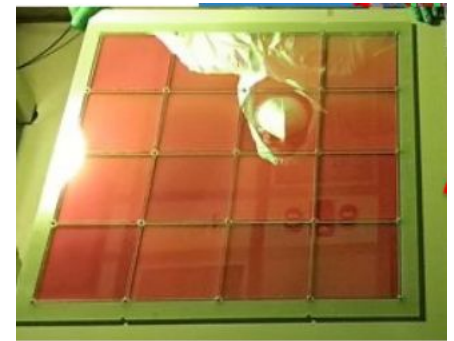
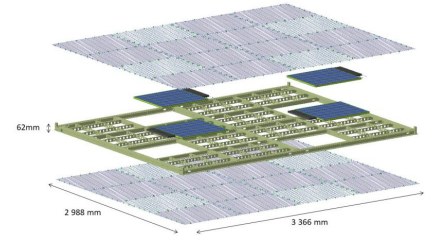
→ 320 at long walls (20 columns) + 32 short walls (4 columns)

= 352 single faced X-ARAPUCAs



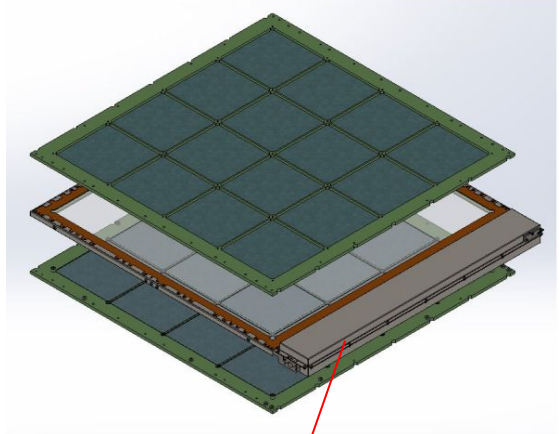
Double face module

Single face module

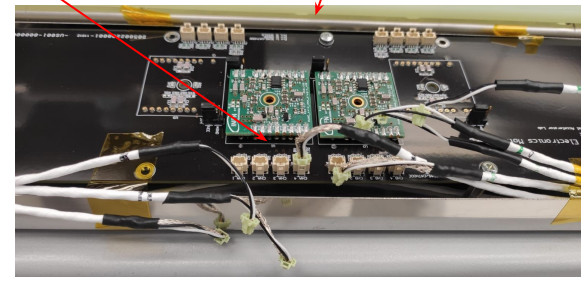
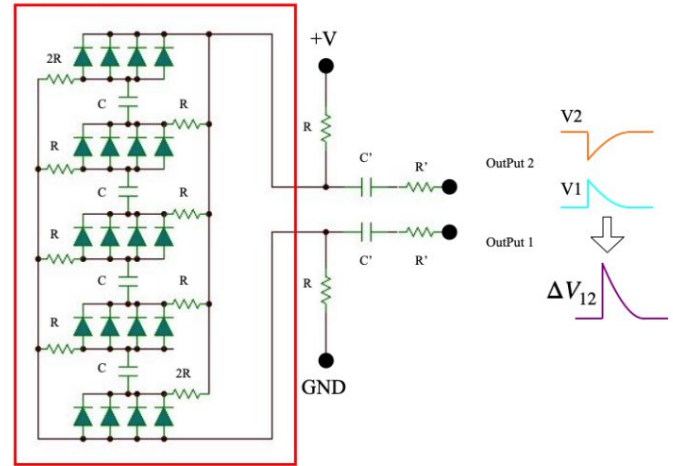


Membrane Modules

- For all the modules (cathode and membrane):
 - 20 SiPMs passively ganged (one flex PCB)
 - 4 flex PCBs are actived ganged: 80 SiPM → 1 channel
- Cold transimpedance amplifier
 - Fully differential amplifier

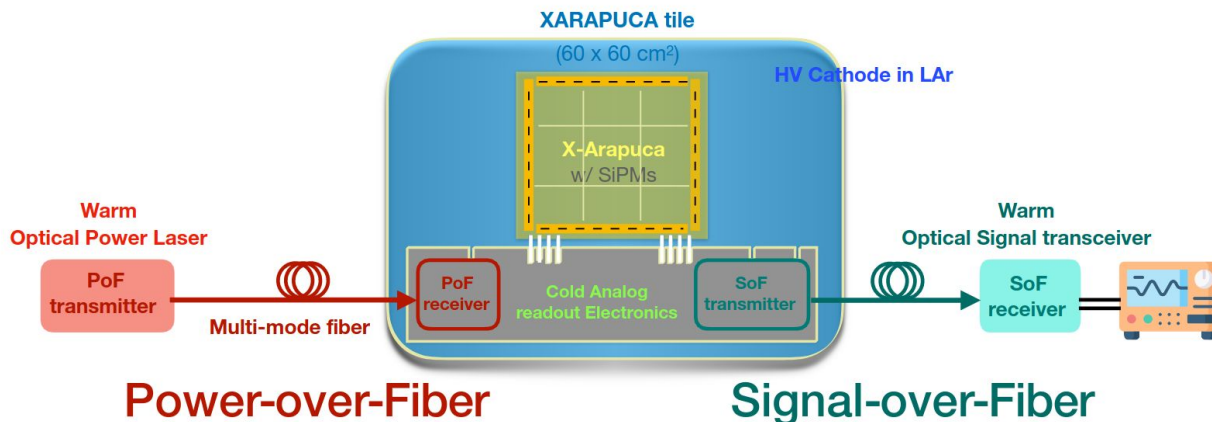
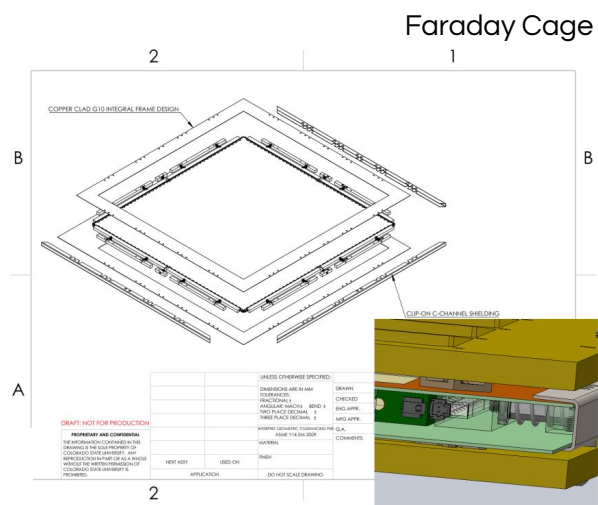


Flex board



Cathode modules

- Cathode is almost at -294 kV → Avoid electric path
 - Power-over-Fiber (PoF)
 - Signal-over-Fiber (SoF)
- Noise Immunity
 - Voltage Isolation
 - Spark free

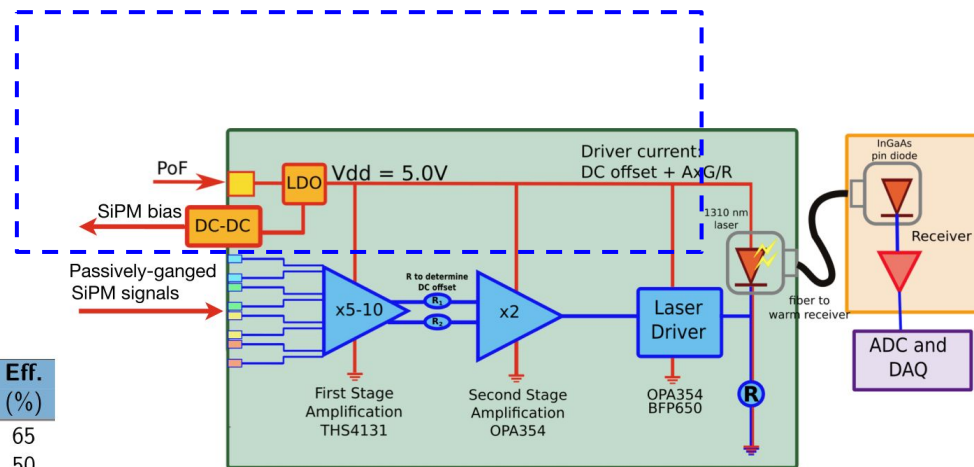


Power-over-Fiber

Laser (808 nm, 2 W) → Optical fiber → Gallium Arsenide (GaAs) Photovoltaic Power Converters (PPC)

- Bias the cold electronics:
 - PoF → PPC ~ 7 V (3 in parallel for more current output)
 - Low Dropout Regulator (LDR) → ~ 5 V
- Bias the SiPMs:
 - DC-DC Step-Up converter
 - up to 50 V

Del. Power (W)*	Type	Wavelength (nm)	Current (mA)	Voltage (V)**	Usable Power (W)	Eff. (%)
0.6	GaAs warm	808	70	5.5	0.40	65
0.4	GaAs cold	808	30	6.5	0.20	50

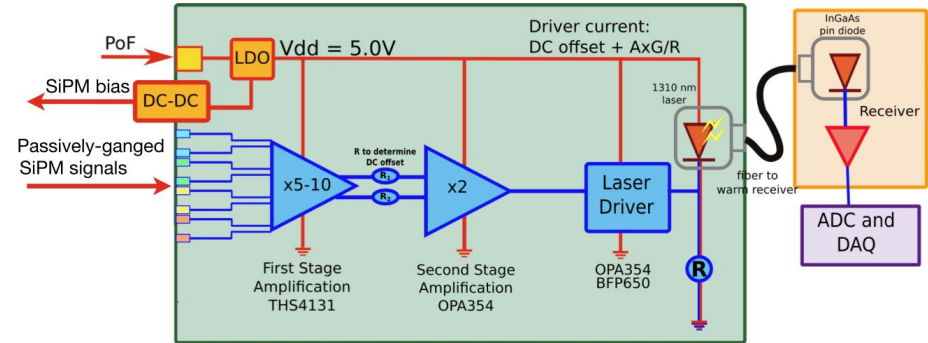
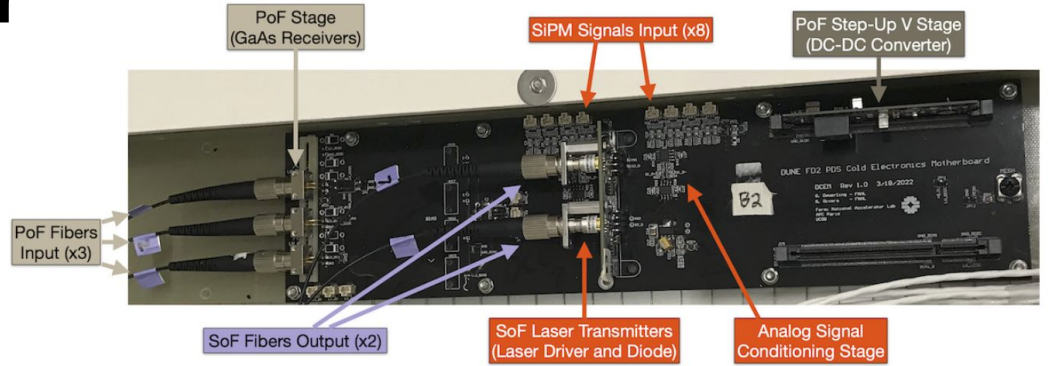
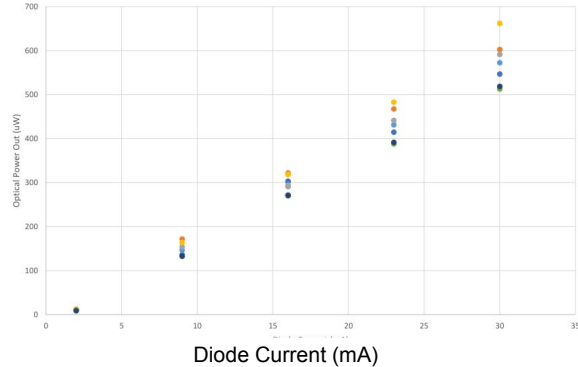


Signal-over-Fiber

- Fabry-Pérot diode laser current
→ 1310 nm (infrared)
- Optical Fiber → InGaAs PhotoDiodes

Electronics:

- First stage amplifier: active ganging (20x4 = 80 SiPMs)
- Second stage amplifier: Differential to single ended
- Laser Driver: Voltage to current



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Proto-DUNE DP

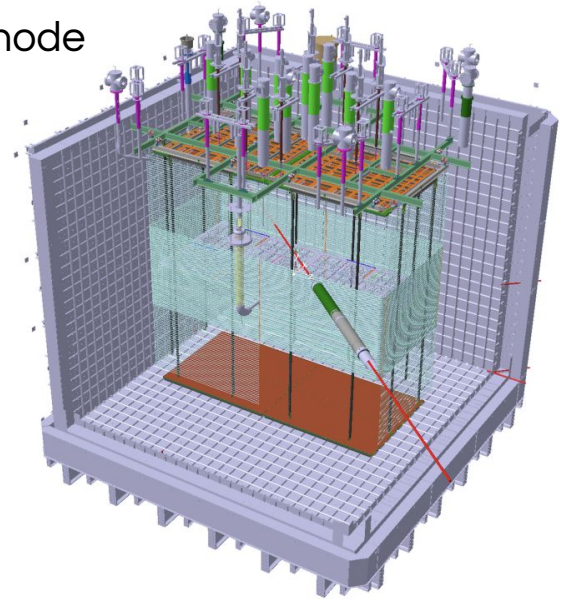
- Double phase
- Based on PMTs
- Problems with HV
- Validated some aspects of the actual FD2

Proto-DUNE VD

- 4 CRPs (2 on each anode) → 8 Cathode X-Arapucas +8 Membrane X-ARAPUCA

Goals:

- Test of X-ARAPUCA on HV cathode
- 70% field cage
- more ...



HD VS VD : PDS

Characteristics	HD	VD
ARAPUCA geometry	SUPERCELL (49 cm x 10 cm)	MEGACELL (65 cm x 65 cm)
Average Light yield	~ 30 PE/MeV	39 PE/MeV
Light Coverage	~ 13% of the anode	15% (cathode) + 7.4% (walls)
SiPMs numbers	48 - 1 channel	160 - 2 channels
SiPMs coverage	3.8%	1.6%
Efficiency	2 ~ 3 %	~ 3%



More on next talk from Sergio

X-ARAPUCAs coating

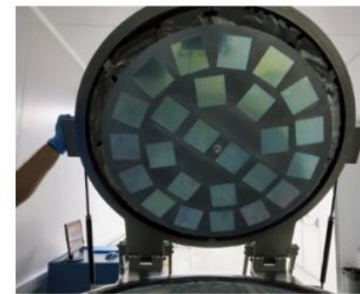
→ SUPERCELL and MEGACELL

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Conclusion

- X-ARAPUCAs devices to detect the light
- HD will use the supercell geometry while VD will use the megacell geometry with two different approaches: membrane and cathode modules
- ProtoDUNE SP showed good results with the ARAPUCAs, and the horizontal drift LArTPC design
- ProtoDUNE HD going to test the SUPERCELL at the HD geometry
- SoF and PoF already tested on cryogenic environment
- ProtoDUNE VD will start operation probably at the start of 2025 to validate more aspects of the PDS

BACK-UP

Xenon doping

It converts the slow component 127nm photons to 178 nm

Goals:

- Improve light detection:
 - Rayleigh Scattering: 127nm: 1m
 - 178nm: 4m
- Mitigate Nitrogen Contamination
 - Nitrogen quenches Triplet states
 - Competition between Xenon and Nitrogen

