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INTERNATIONAL
SYMPOSIUM ON
“LARGE TPCs
FOR LOW-
ENERGY RARE
EVENT
DETECTION”

PARIS
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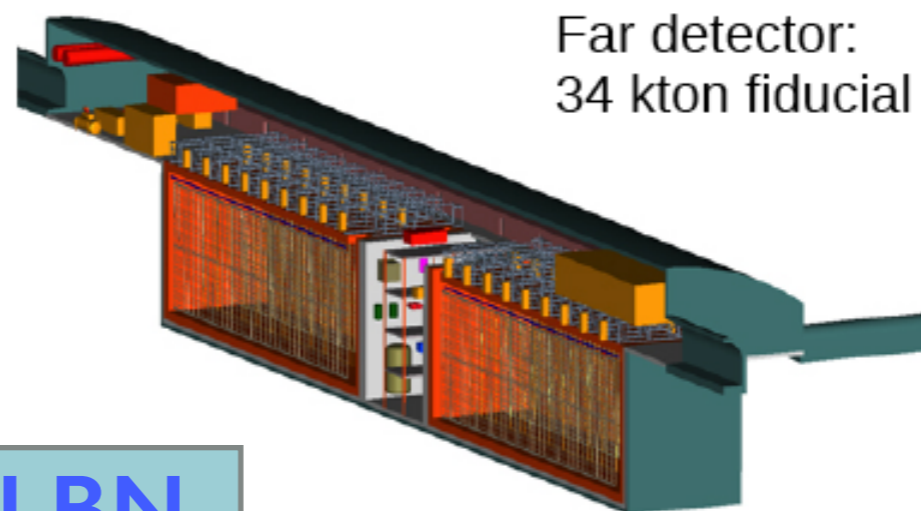
The LArTPC R&D Program at
FERMILAB



Large US LArTPCs

MicroBooNE

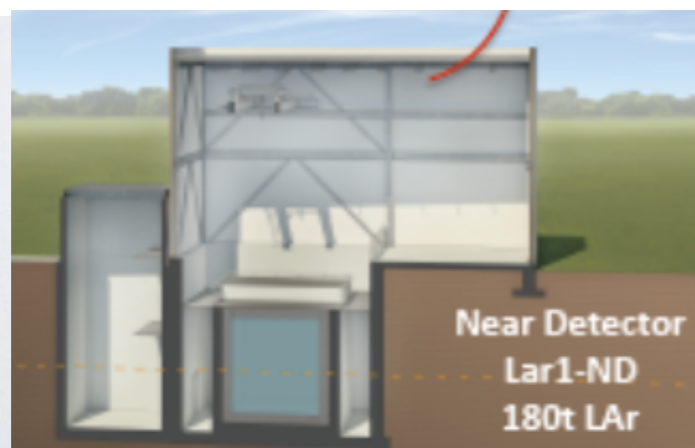
- Study MiniBooNE low-energy excess
- Cross-section measurements.



LBN

- CP-violating phase δ and θ_{13} measurement (ν_e appearance)
- Mass hierarchy
- Supernova burst and atmospheric neutrinos, proton decay

SBN



- Sterile Neutrino Search



FNAL Mission:

develop the expertise to enable the SBN & LBN Program :

Develop hands-on experience and (new) infrastructure

- filters, cryogenics, HV feed-throughs, readout electronics

Look at technical topics which may not have been fully explored previously

- material tests, in-liquid electronics, light detection

Put a LArTPC in a neutrino beam to exercise a complete system (and physics)

- ArgoNeuT

Demonstrate good electron lifetime *in an **unevacuated commercial vessel***

- LAPD (Liquid Argon Purity Demonstration)

Expose LArTPC to a beam of known energy and different particle types

- LArIAT (Liquid Argon In A Test beam)

Develop an integrated system test that incorporates as many aspects of the far detector design as possible.

- the **35 t Program**

Exploit synergies with Dark Matter detectors

- **DarkSide Program**

(Some) Liquid Argon R & D at Fermilab

Charge Detection

- **Certification of detector materials**
Materials Test System (MTS)
- **Production of clean argon without evacuation**
Liquid Argon Purity Demonstration (LAPD)

Light Detection and Production

- **Effect of contaminants and additives (quenching, attenuation)**
- **Detector Performance (light collection, photosensors)**
BO and TalBO cryostat systems
LArIAT Experiment

High Voltage

- **Breakdown in noble liquids**

(Some) Liquid Argon R & D at Fermilab

Neutrino Specific

- **TPC performance with electronics and HV ->**
BO TPC and Long BO TPC
- **Detailed behavior of particles in liquid Argon ->**
Test beam into LArTPC (LArIAT)

Dark Matter Specific

- **Light yield from nuclear recoils at low energy (<50 keV)**
ScENE (Scintillation Efficiency of Noble Elements) experiment
- **Argon for low-background experiments**
Purification of underground argon

TOWARDS THE SB & LB NEUTRINO PROGRAM

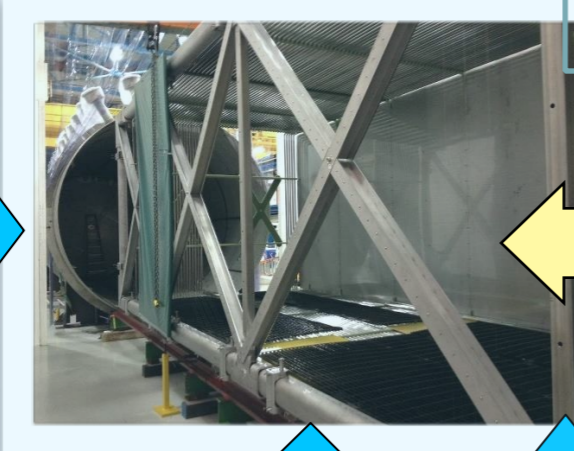
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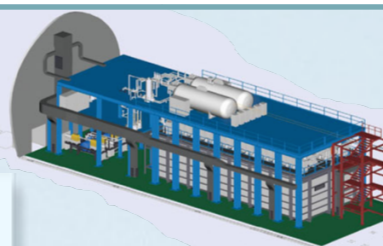
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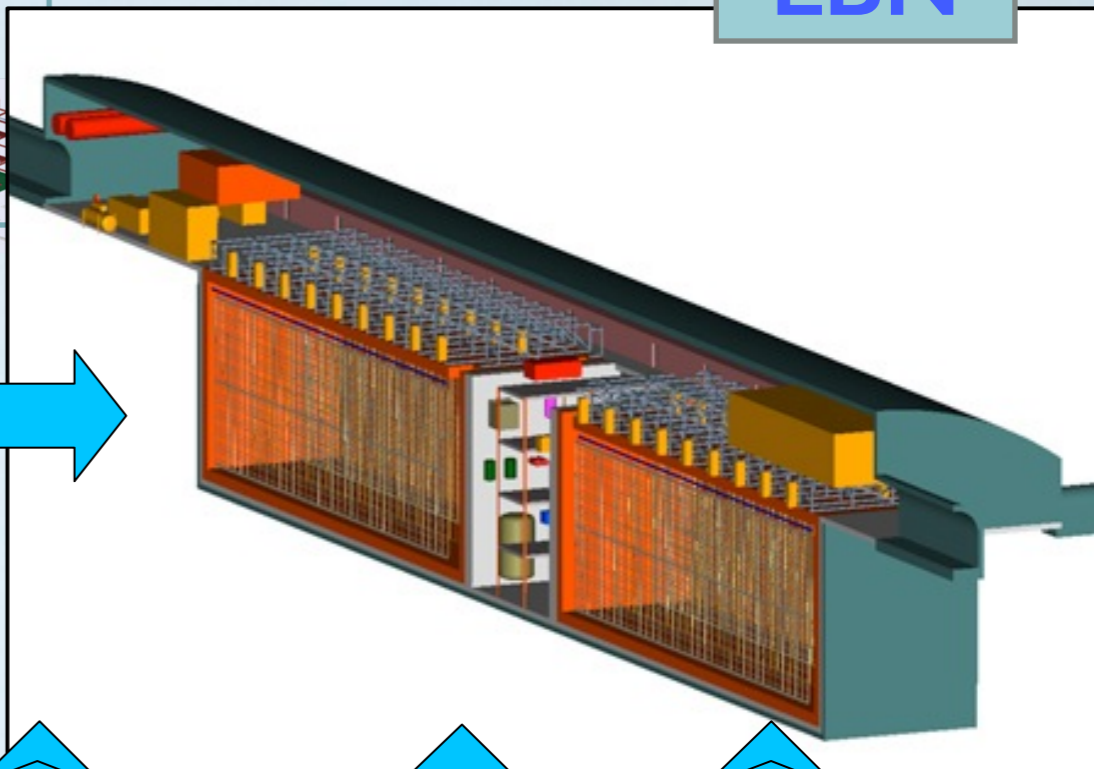
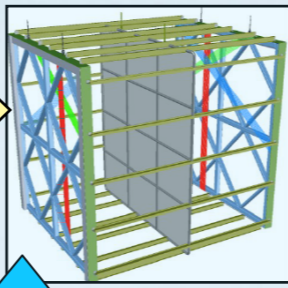
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MicroBooNE



LAr1-ND

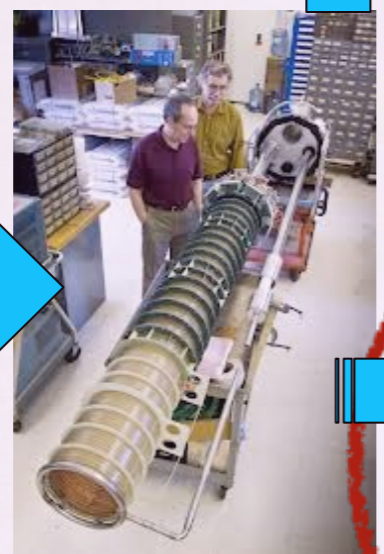


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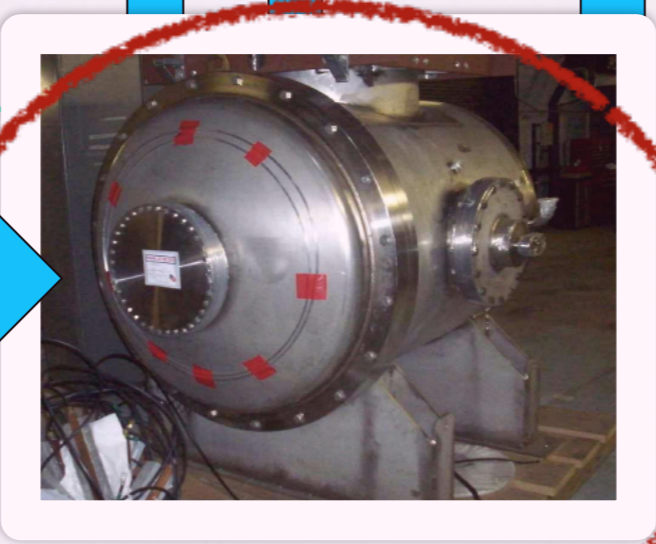
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readout,
cold elec.



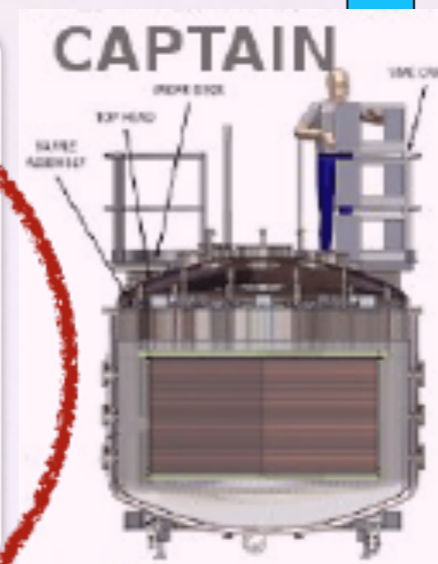
Long Bo
(LAPD)
HV, cold
elec., purity

2014

SBN

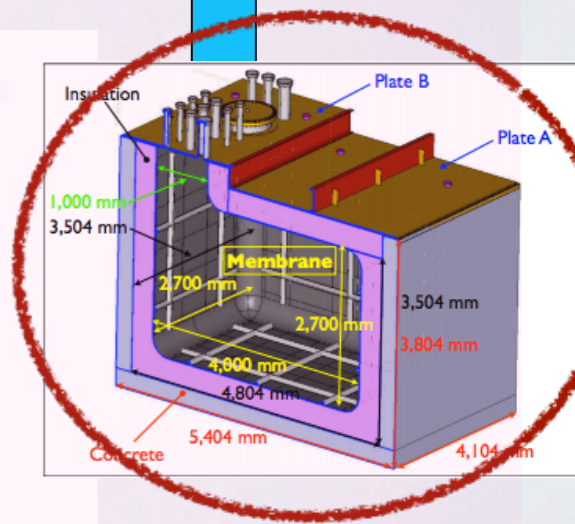


LARIAT



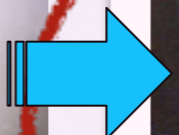
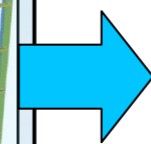
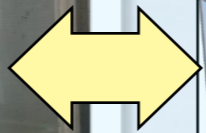
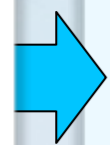
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Purpose: LArTPC calibration
Operational: 2014



35T MEMBRANE
CRYOSTAT
purity test &
TPC prototype

Complementary R&D programs

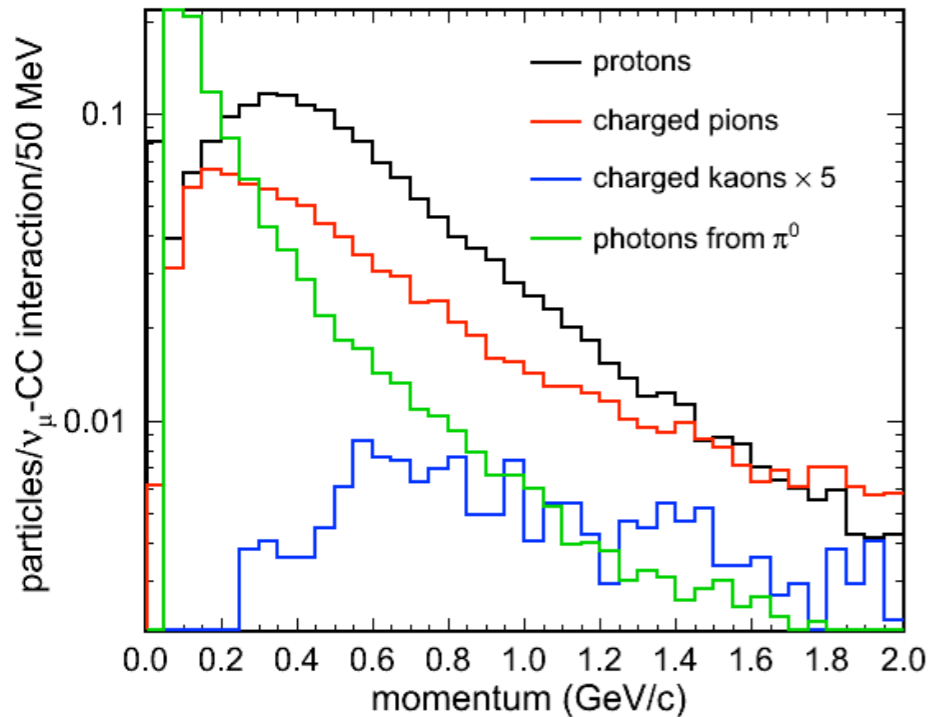


LIQUID ARGON TPC IN A TESTBEAM



LARIAT

MOTIVATION



NuMI LE on-axis Beam

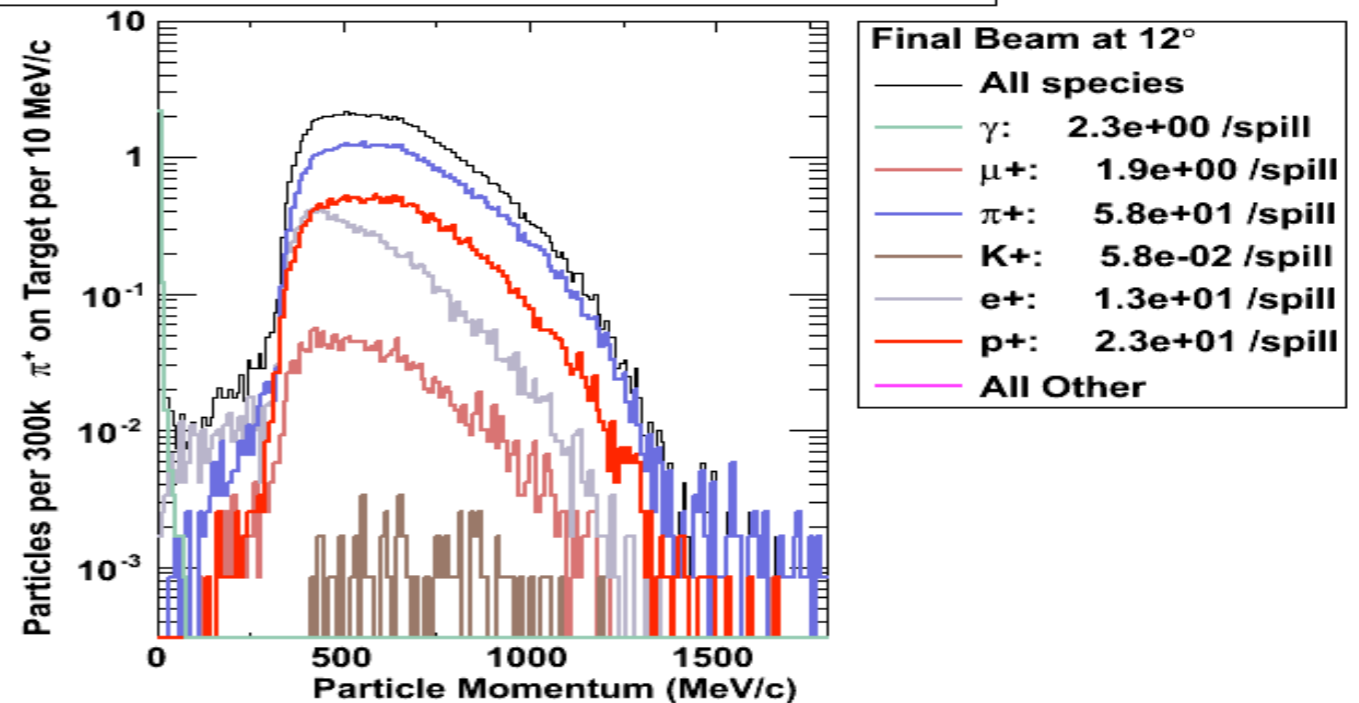
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Study in LArTPC
Particles emerging from
 ν Interactions
(in the energy range
relevant for
SBN & LBN)

LARIAT

METHOD

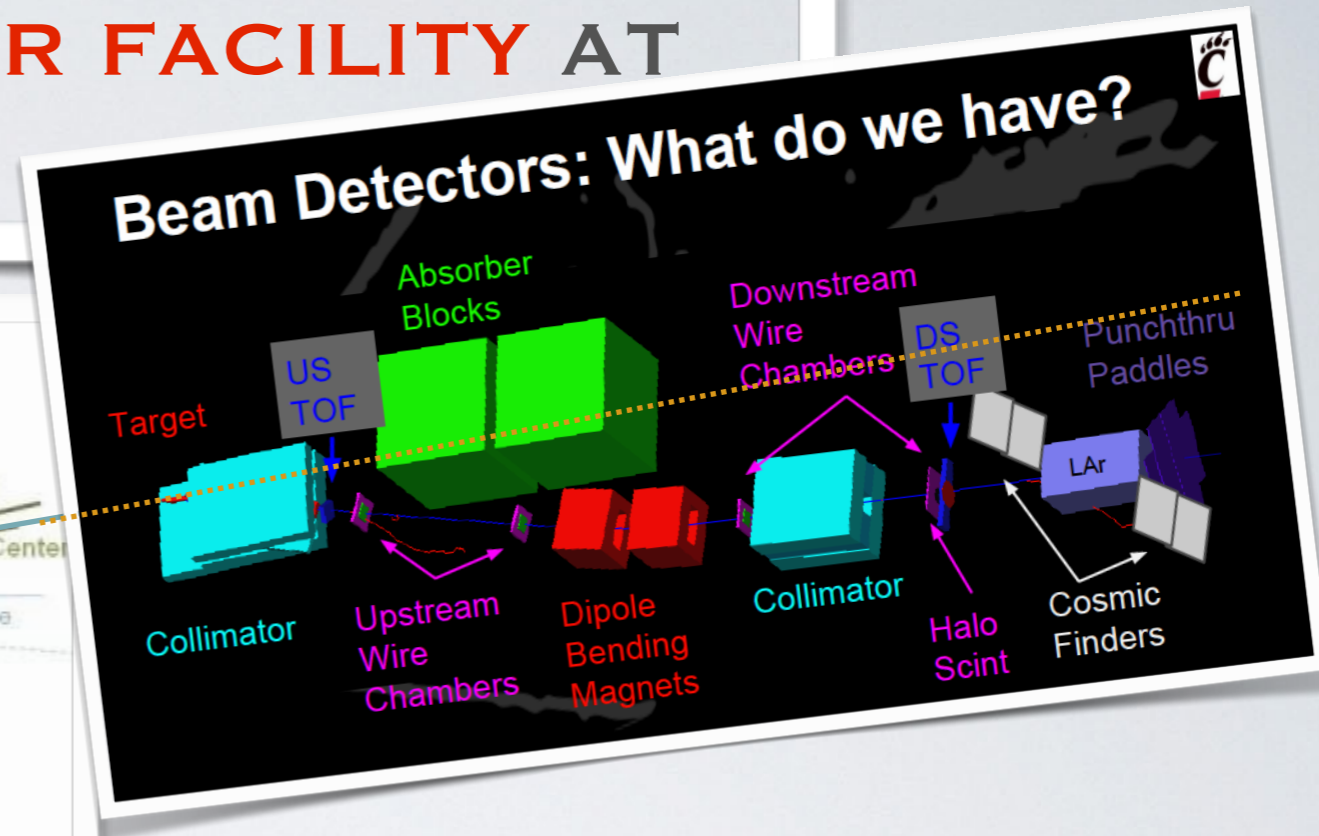
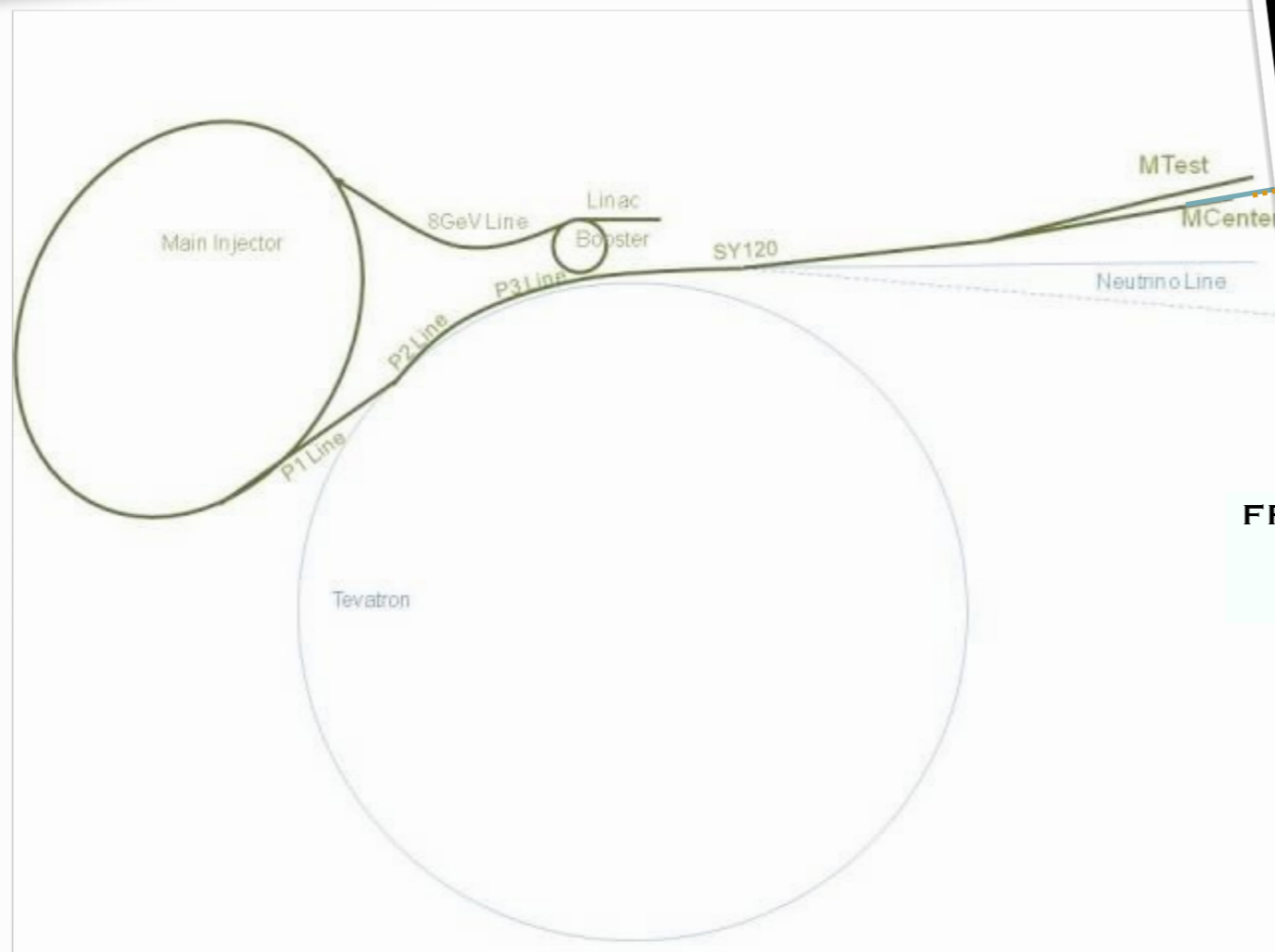
Final Beam at 12°, 08 GeV 2ndary, +0.35 Tesla field



LArIAT Test Beam

Study in LArTPC
Particles emerging from a
suitably designed Beam-
line
with appropriate
momentum range

BASIC CONCEPT: A (SEMI-PERMANENT) **LAR FACILITY** AT FTBF



FROM THE SECONDARY PION **MCENTER** BEAM-LINE AT FTBF, A DEDICATED LOW MOMENTUM **TERTIARY BEAM** LINE HAS BEEN DESIGNED, INSTALLED AND TESTED



A fully operational **TB/cryo-Facility** will allow for any future test of different components in experimental conditions (e.g. different designs for TPC, Light Det. system, Electronics)

The LArIAT Beam Line is now fully operational

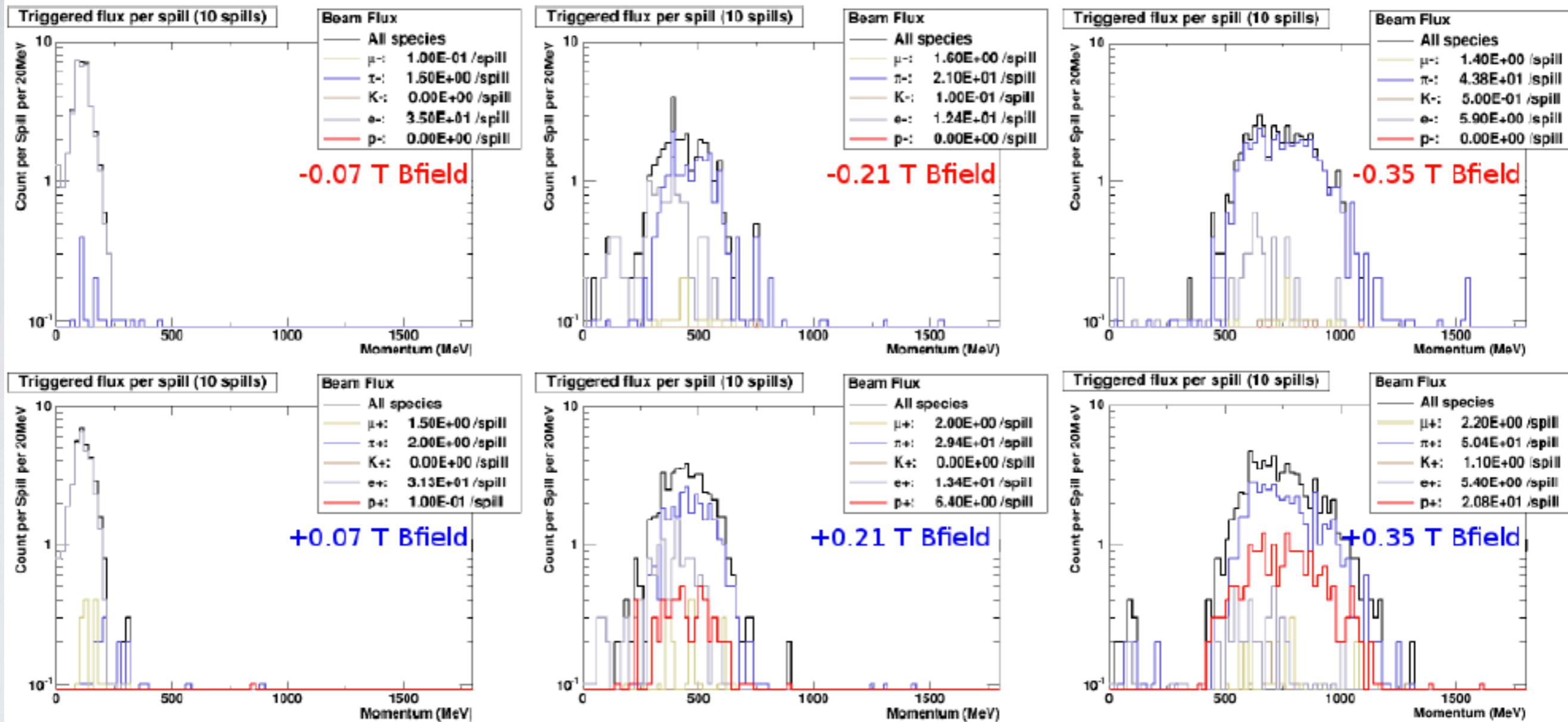
result of a great effort: FTBF team & LArIAT grps (FNAL, Cincinnati, LSU, BU, ...)



New Detectors are being built/tested/installed:
3 Cherenkov counters (Yale, Duluth, KEK, UT Austin) and μ -stacker (FNAL)

Tertiary beam composition (MC only)

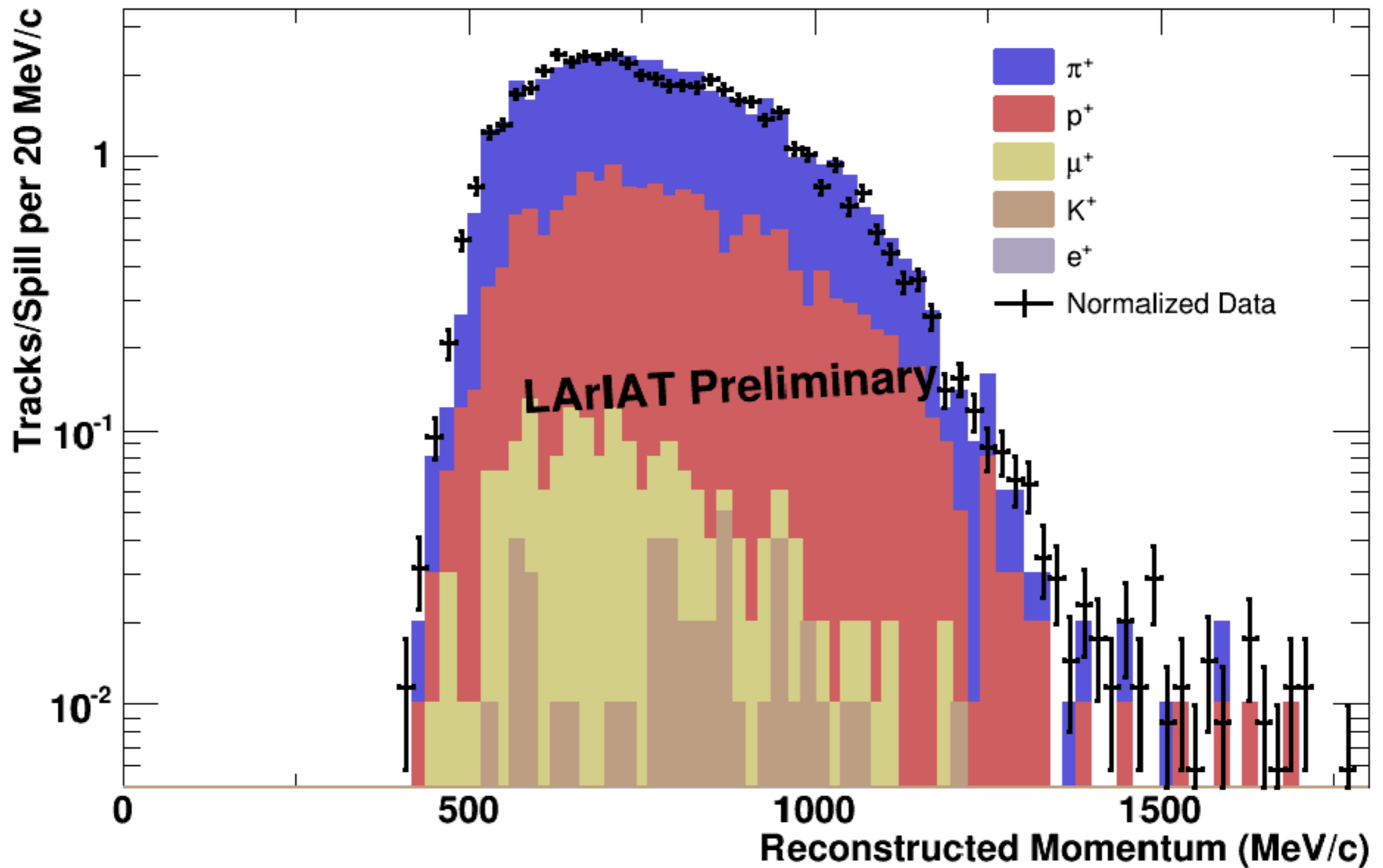
80 GeV π^+ on target



- Secondary and tertiary beam polarities can be switched
- Mostly pions but depending on the energy of the secondary beam and the magnetic field it is possible to change beam composition

LArIAT beam: Momentum Distribution

32 GeV π^+ on Target, +100 A Magnet Current



SCIENCE OUTLOOK:

ELECTRON VS PHOTON SHOWER DISCRIMINATION

Experimental confirmation for the separation efficiencies (MC determined) - key feature of LArTPC technology

MUON SIGN DETERMINATION (W/OUT MAGNETIC FIELD)

Explore a LArTPC feature never systematically considered (decay vs capture in LAr)

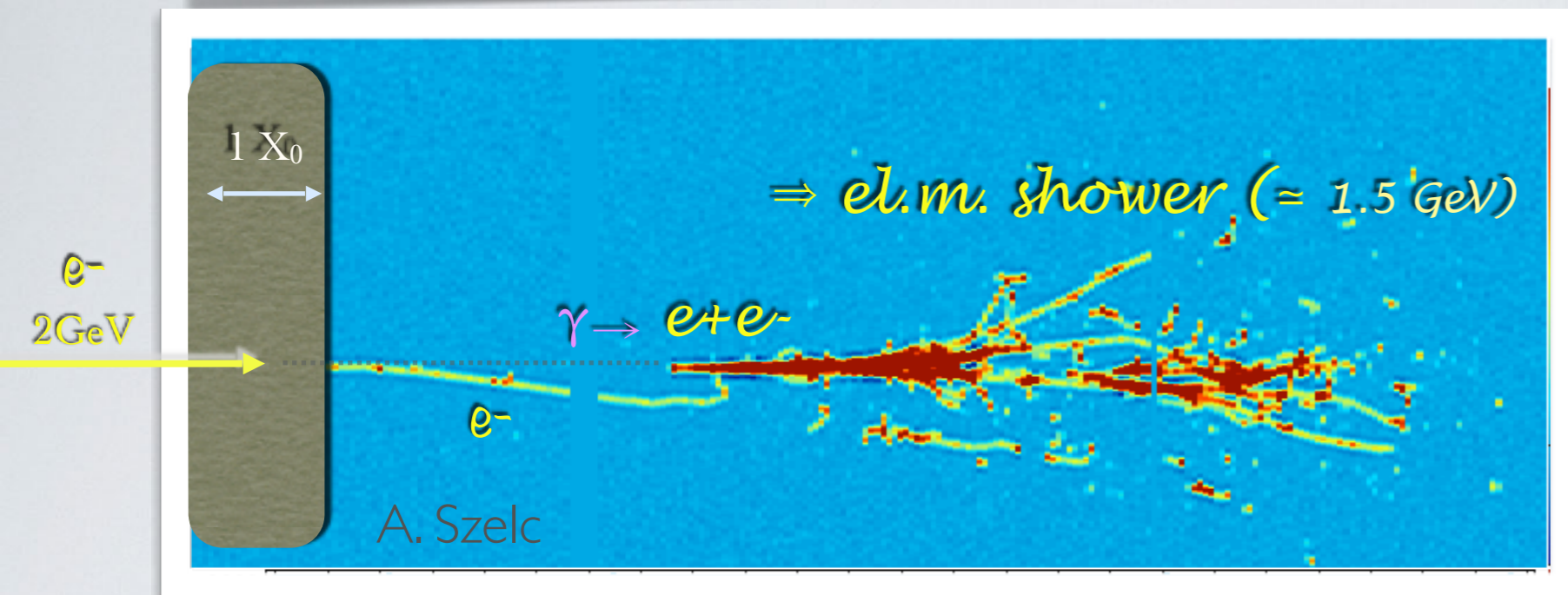
STUDY OF NUCLEAR EFFECTS

Pion Absorption, π^0 from π^\pm Charge Exchange, Elastic & Inelastic Cross-Section
Kaon interaction channels
Antiproton annihilation (relevant for n-nbar oscillations)

DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW CONCEPT FOR LAR SCINTILLATION LIGHT COLLECTION

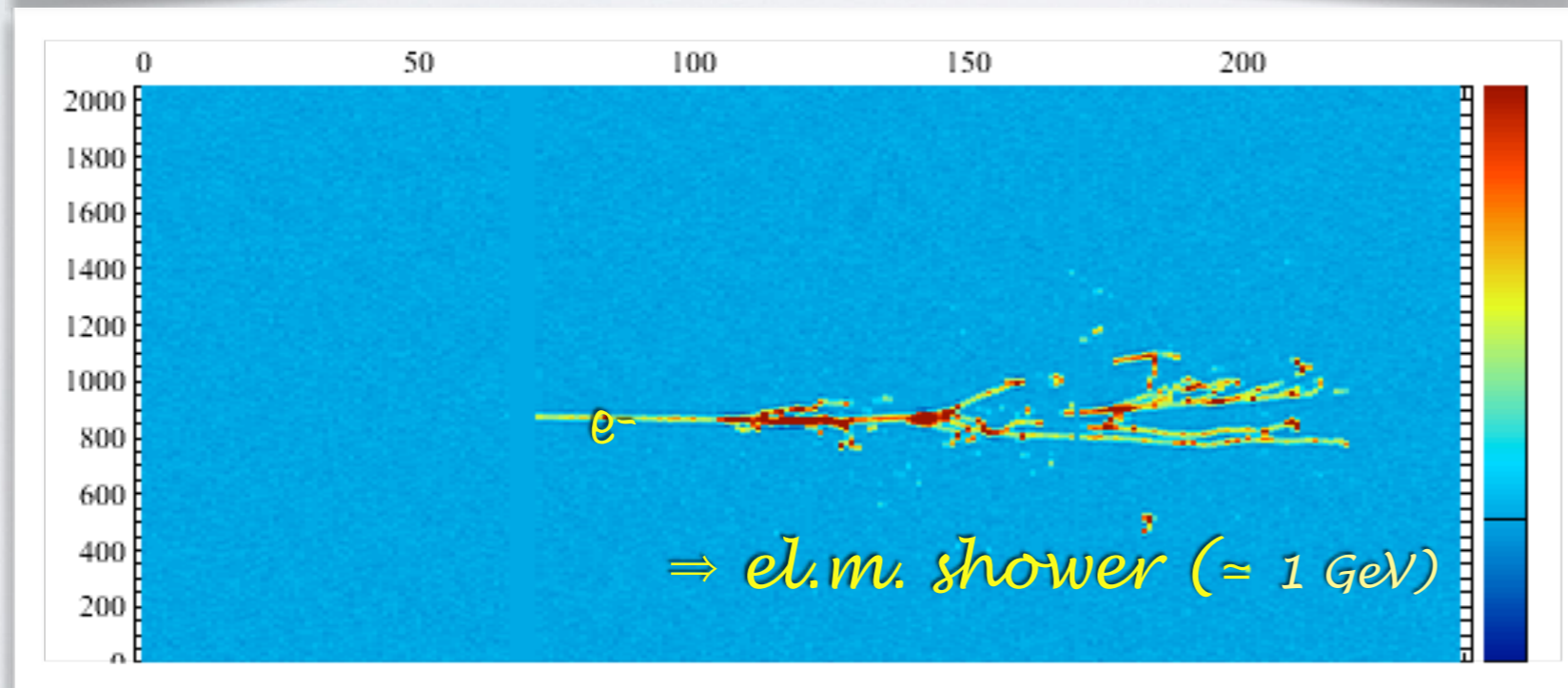
Relate energy deposited to **charge** and **light** for an improved calorimetric energy resolution

ELECTRON VS PHOTON SHOWER DISCRIMINATION



Bremsstrahlung from upstream radiator plate

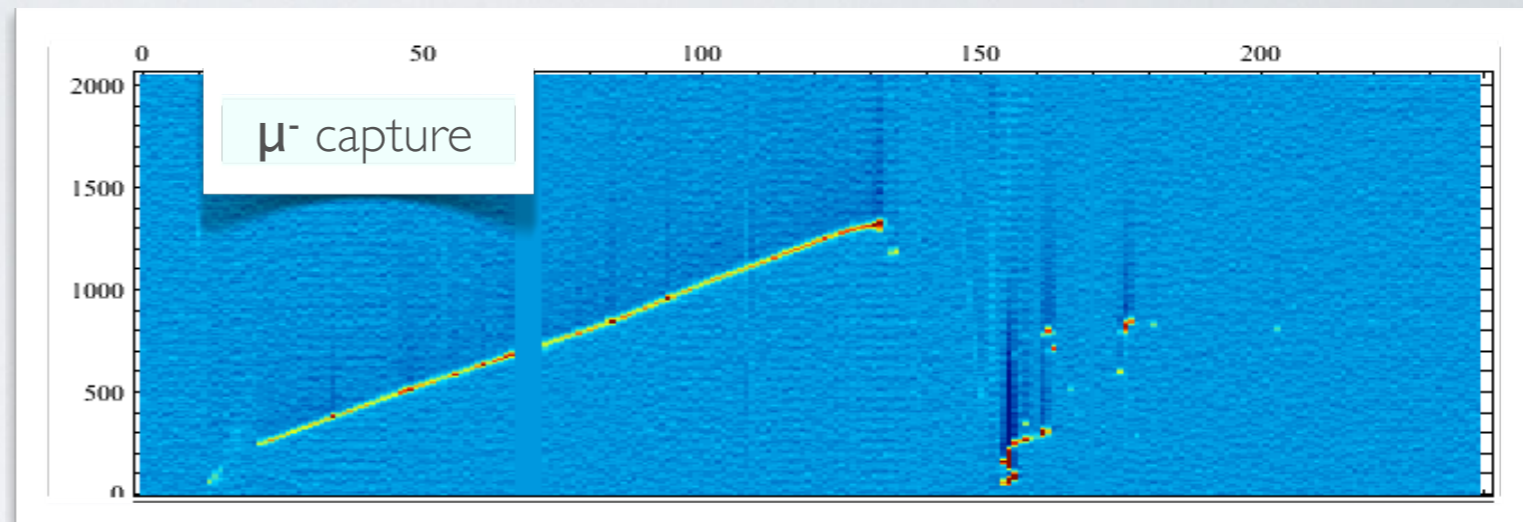
Tagged with incoming electron PID in beamline + deviated track + gap.



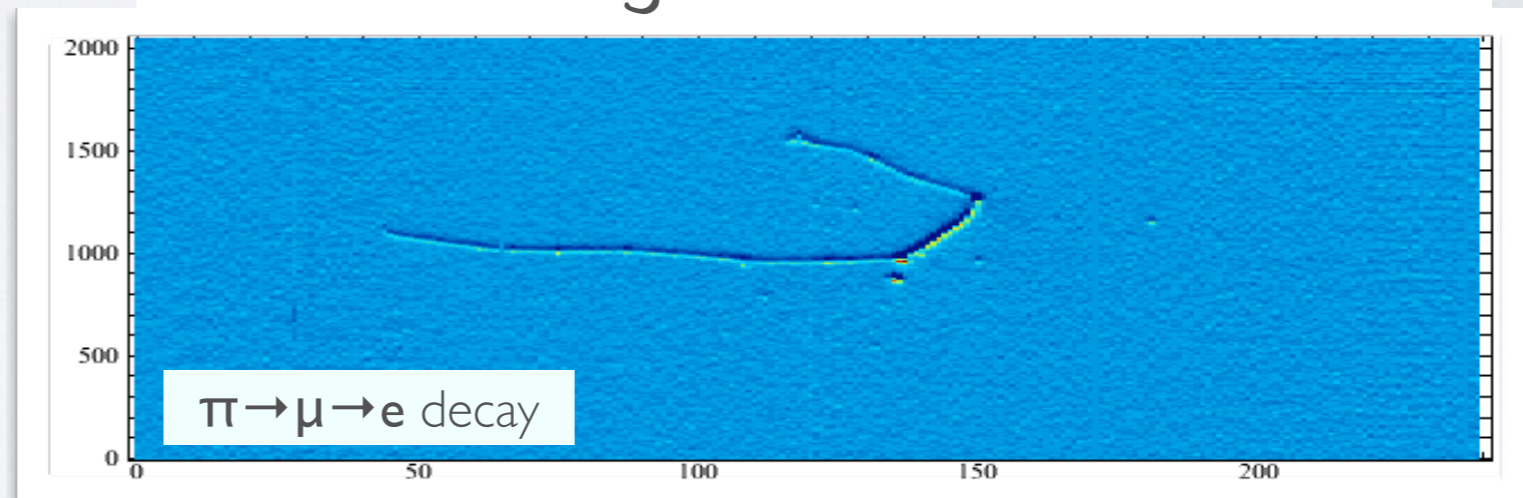
MUON SIGN DETERMINATION (W/OUT MAGNETIC FIELD)

Charge sign determination (w/o magnetic field) for fully contained muons using statistical analysis :

- μ^+ decay rate with e^+ emission of a known energy spectrum = 100 %
- μ^- capture on nuclei rate followed by γ / n emission $\sim 75\%$ vs decay rate $\sim 25\%$
- capture rate higher in Ar than in lighter elements
- Beam tunable polarity will provide data for direct measurement of the sign separation efficiency and purity for muons (might be possible for pions)

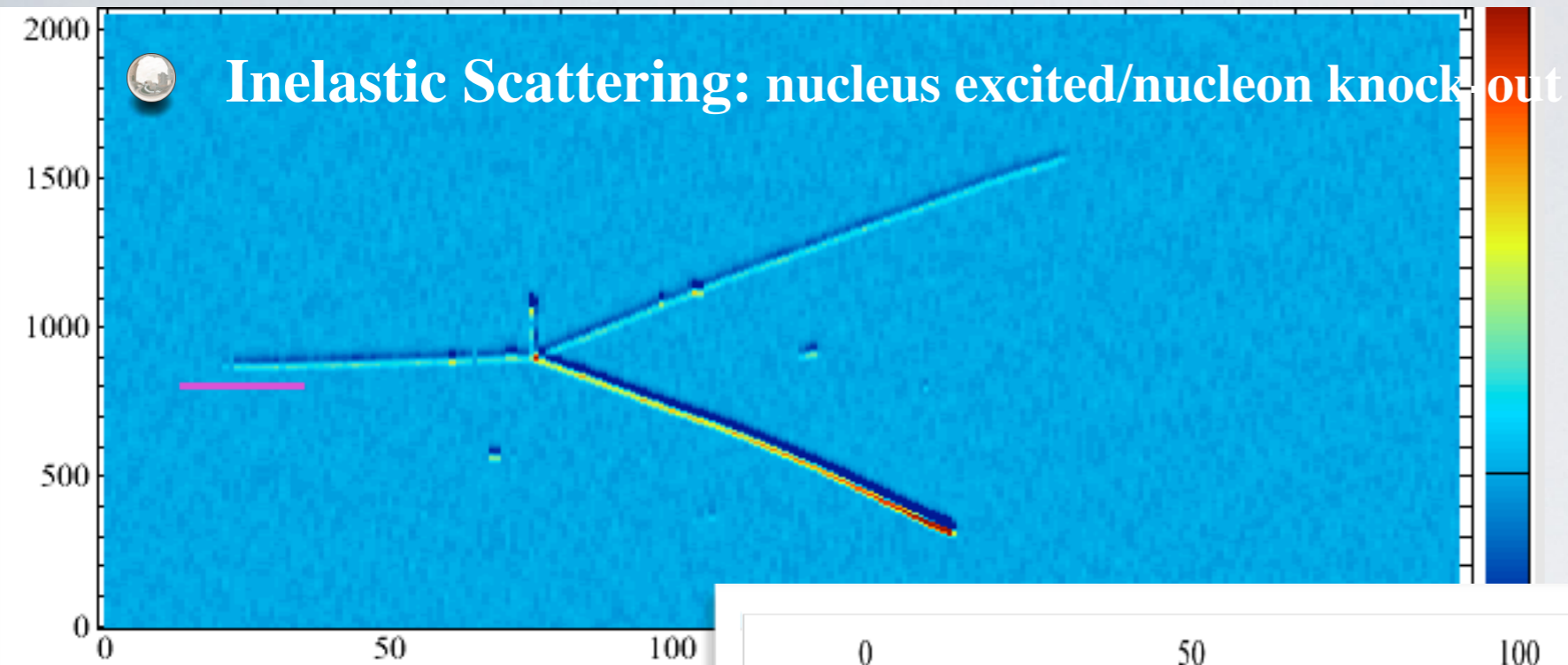


ArgoNeuT Data

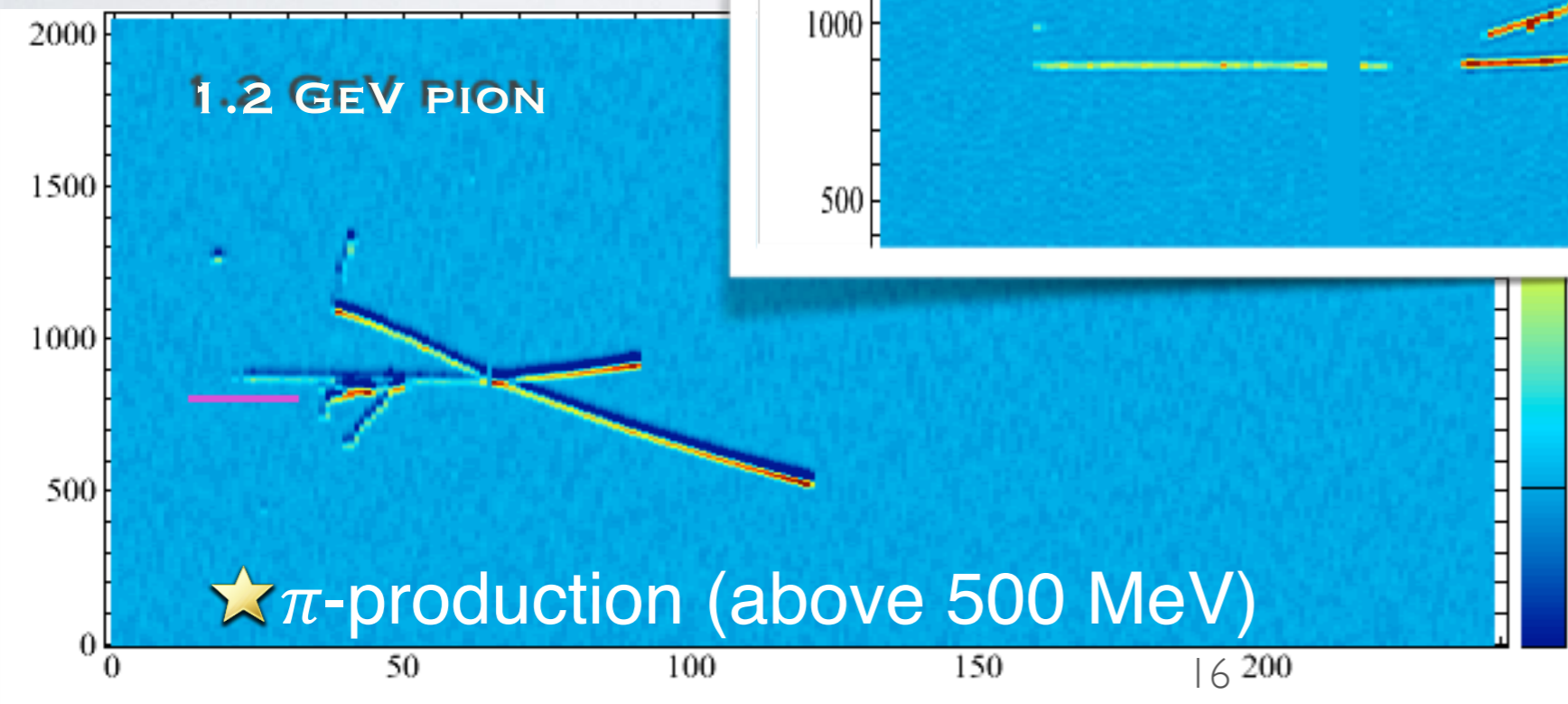
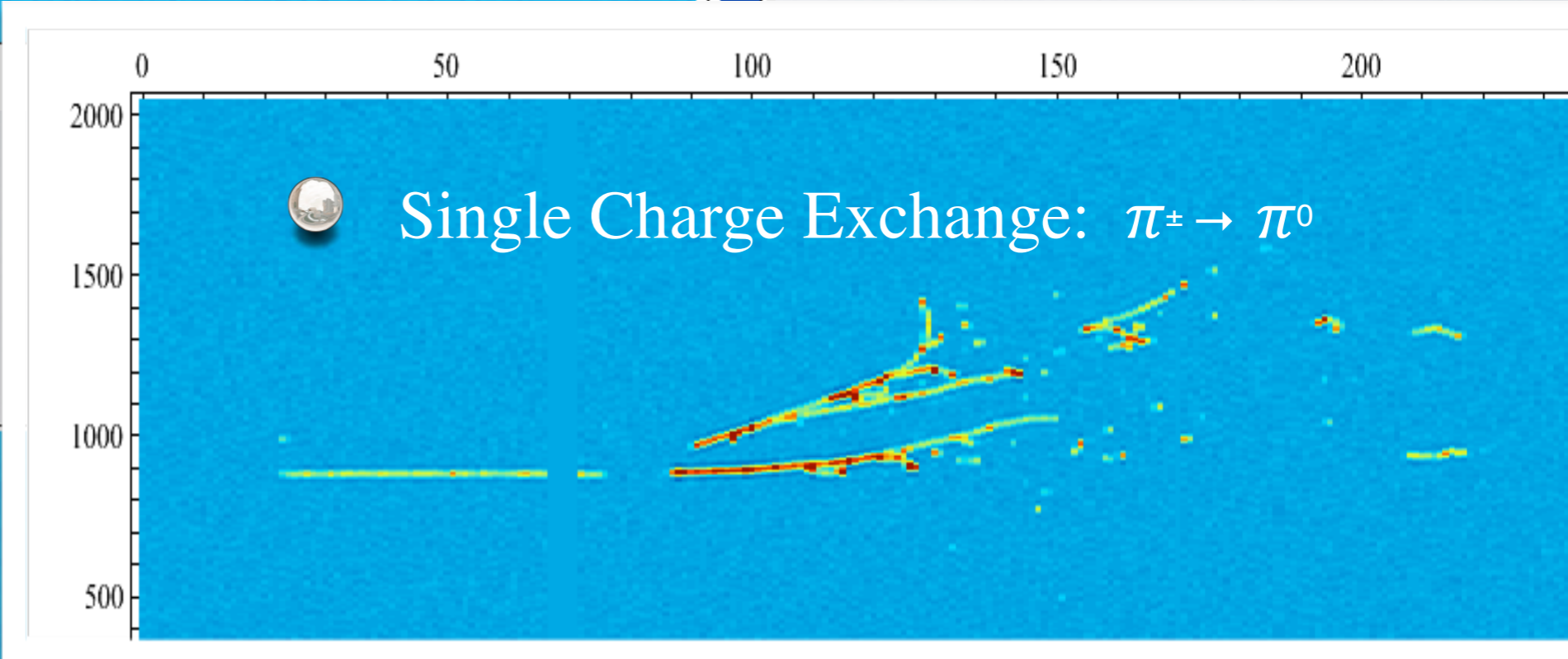


LArTPC sign determination capability has yet to be explored

- Constrain the capability to charge-ID the primary lepton in muon neutrino CC interactions of particular interest
- for CP violation with LBNE



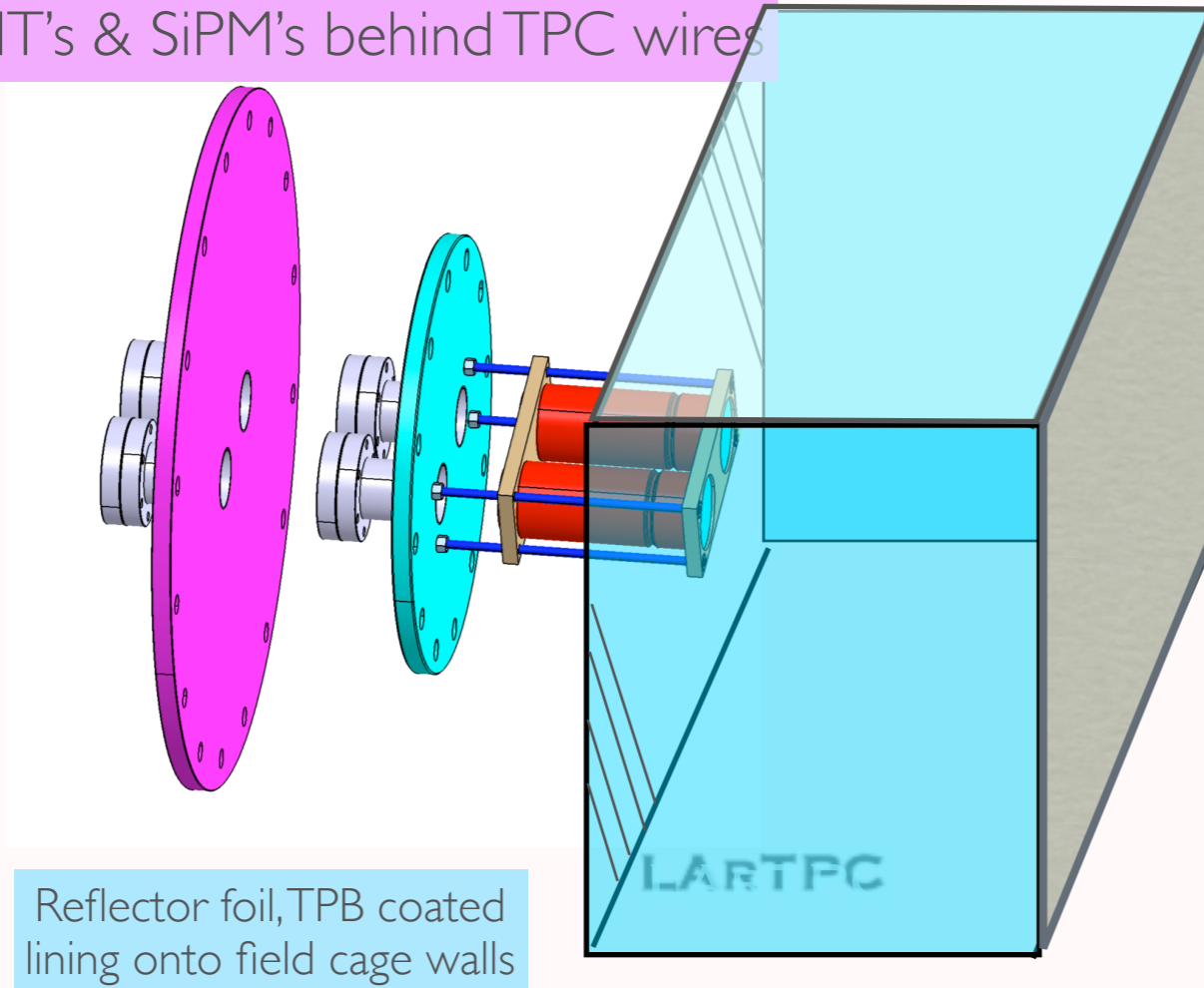
Charged π 's in LAr



(A.Szelc-Yale)

DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW CONCEPT IN LAR SCINTILLATION LIGHT COLLECTION

PMT's & SiPM's behind TPC wires



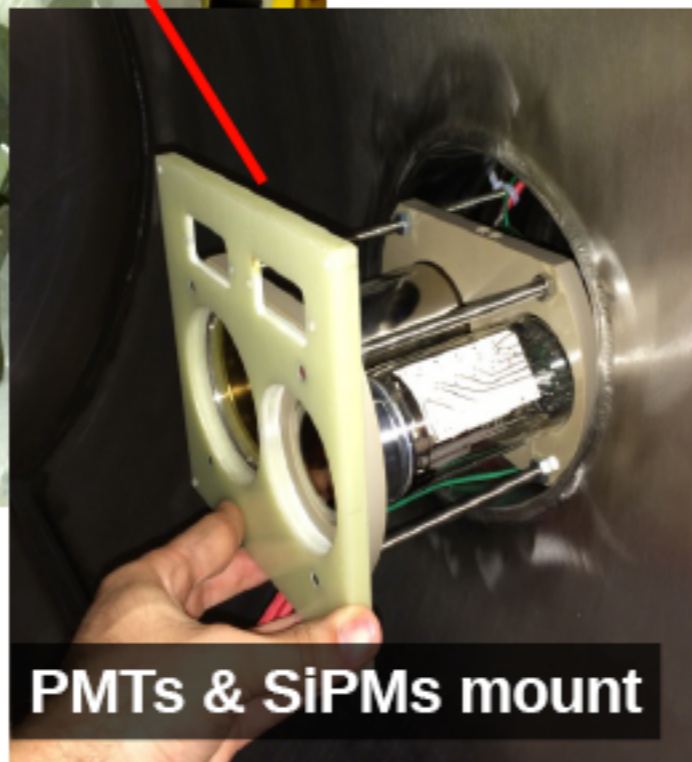
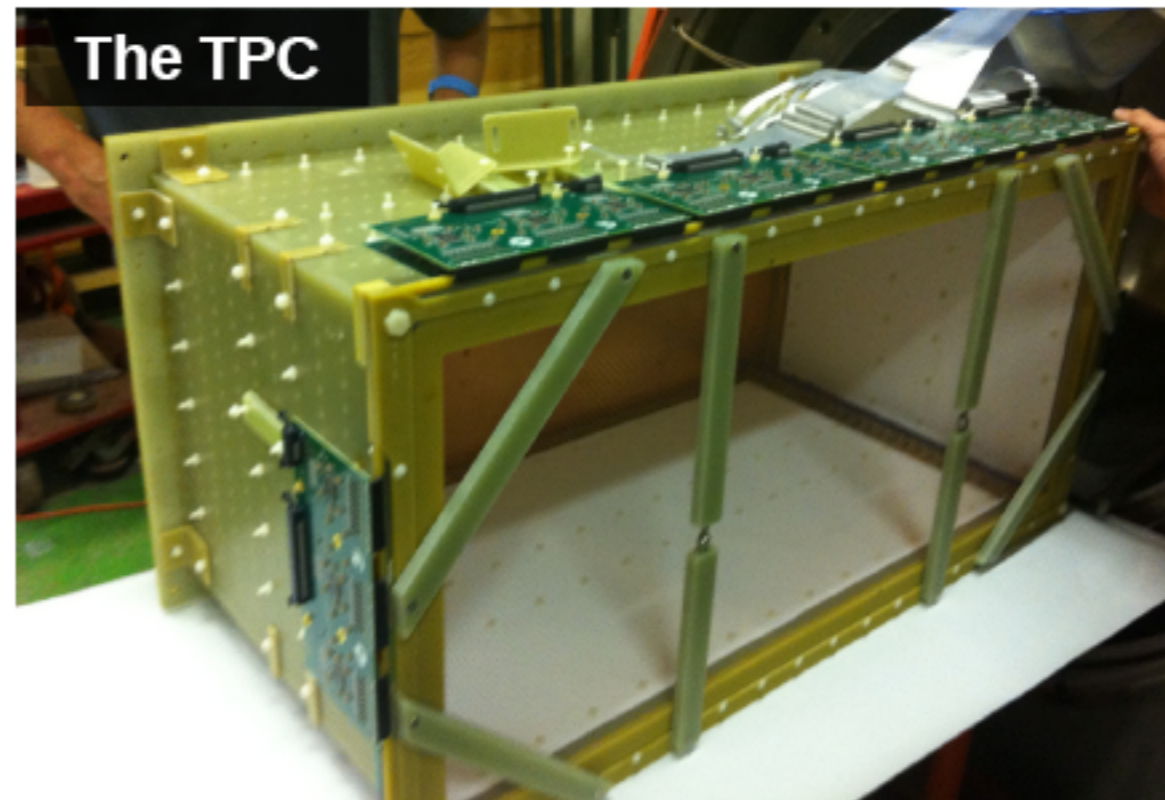
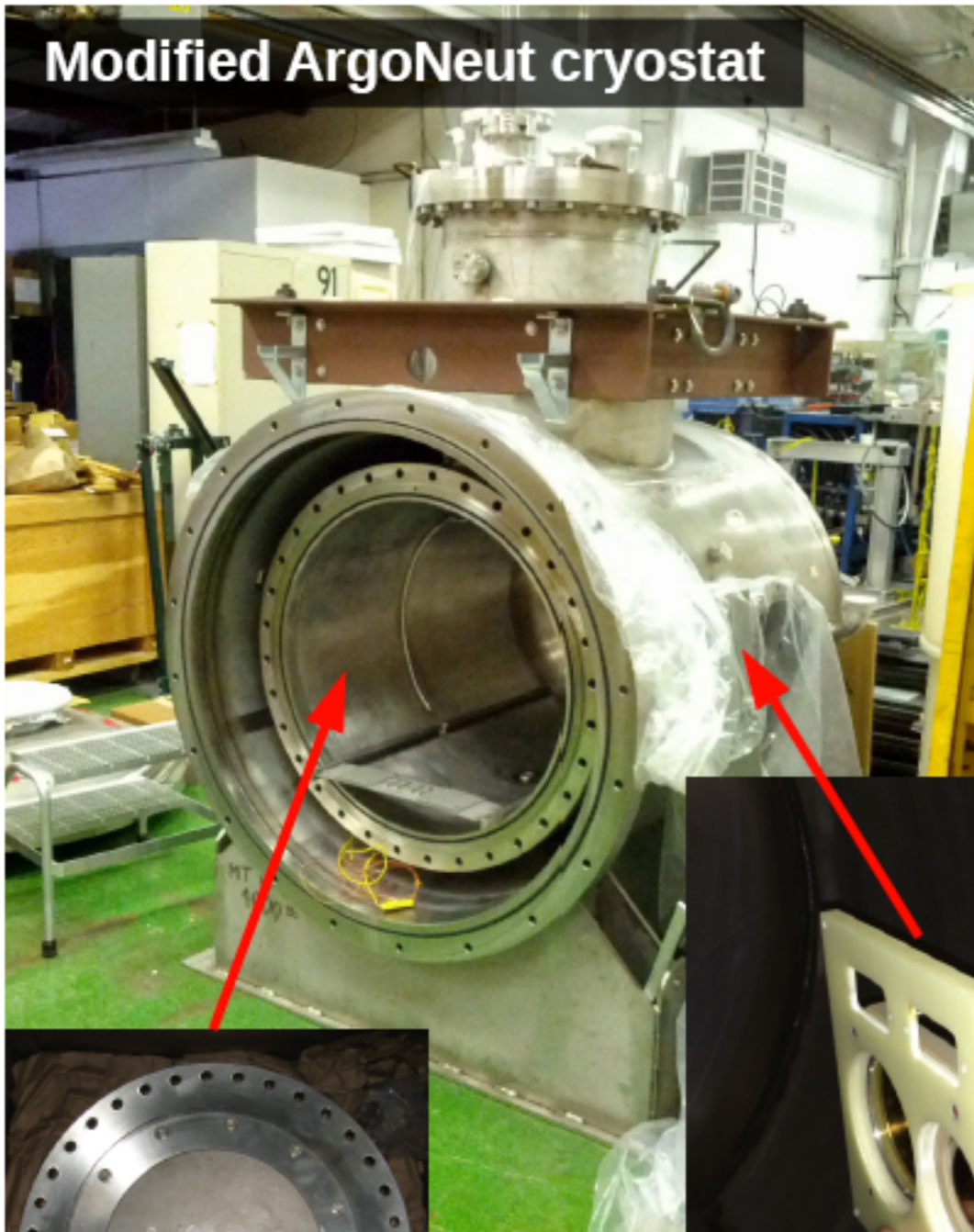
Reflector foil, TPB coated lining onto field cage walls

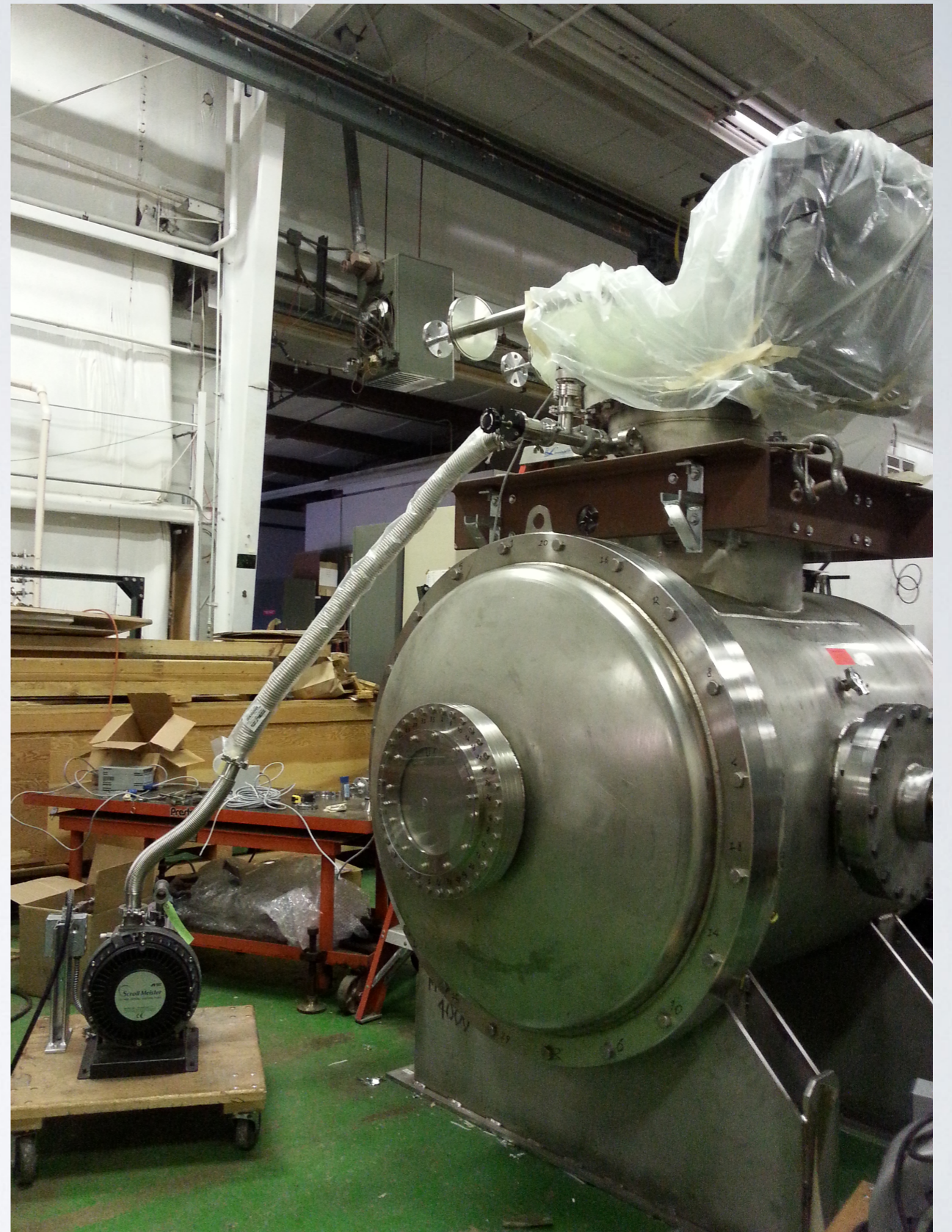
To enhance efficiency of light collection one has to increase the detector active surface.

This can be achieved by increasing the n. of PMTs (expensive) OR by adding a reflector coated by wl.s. on the boundary of the detector volume. Scintillation VUV photons thus are wl.shifted when hitting the TPB and then reflected from the mirror surface beneath multiple times up to collection at the PMT

**RELATE ENERGY DEPOSITED
INTO CHARGE AND LIGHT
FOR AN IMPROVED CALORIMETRIC
ENERGY RESOLUTION**

LArIAT TPC / cryostat





LArIAT cryostat sealed yesterday (Dec. 15)

...today moving the cryostat/TPC into the enclosure...



First Run (engineering run - completed, Sept. '14):

- Secondary Pion Beam Commissioned - June '14
- DAQ & Trigger Commissioned - July/Aug '14
- Tertiary Beam Commissioned - Aug./Sept. '14
- *Beam DATA (rate, momentum, mom. resolution, PID in excellent agreement w/ MC expectations)*

Beam shutdown (Sept.-Nov. '14)

- Cryo-System Delivery & Assembly
- LArTPC/Cold Electronics & Scintillation Light System Test

Second Run (starting asap):

- *Installation in test-beam enclosure (ongoing now...)*
- Cryo-System Commissioning (LAr filling)
- LAr detectors (TPC, PMT & SiPM) Commissioning
- *Physics Run*

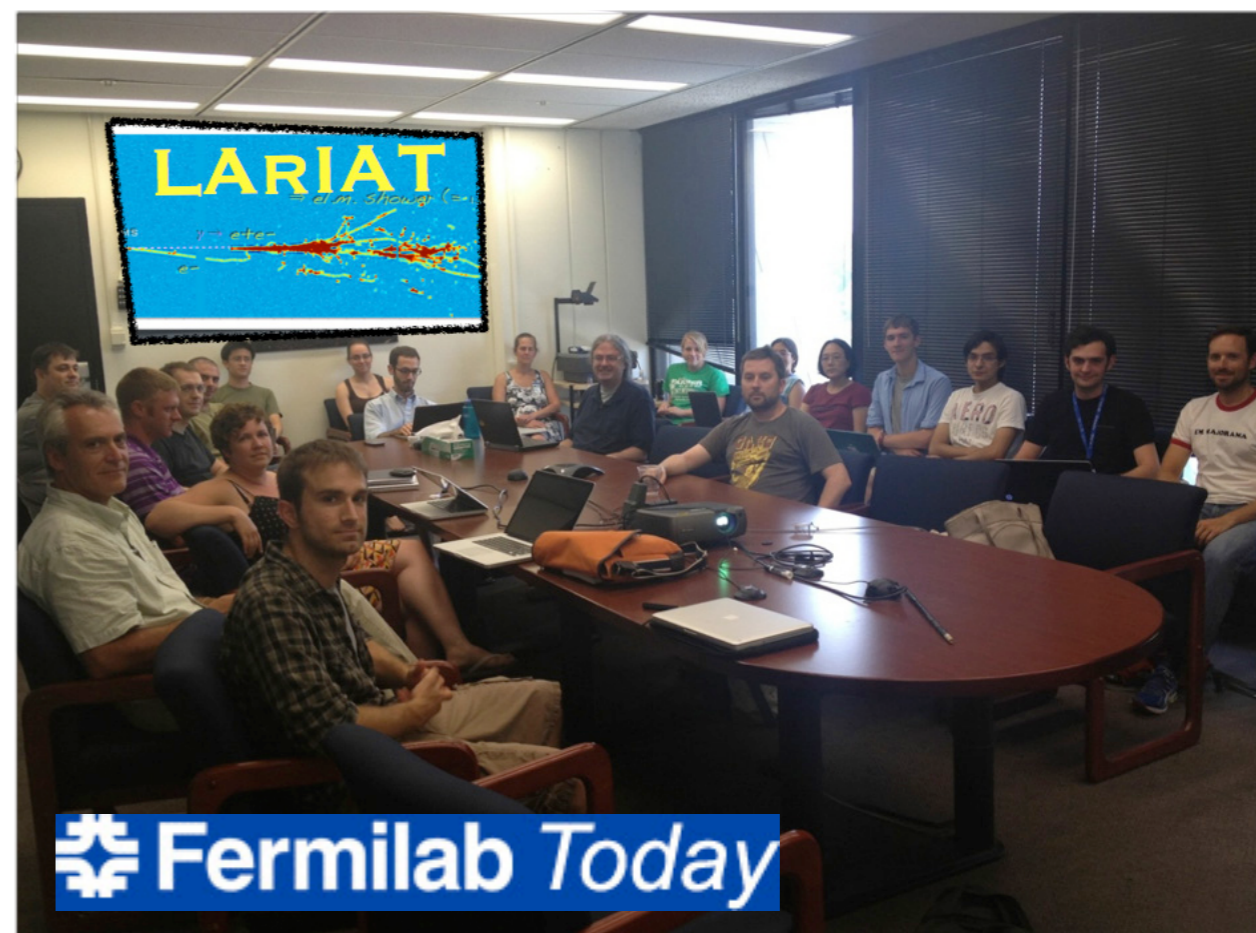


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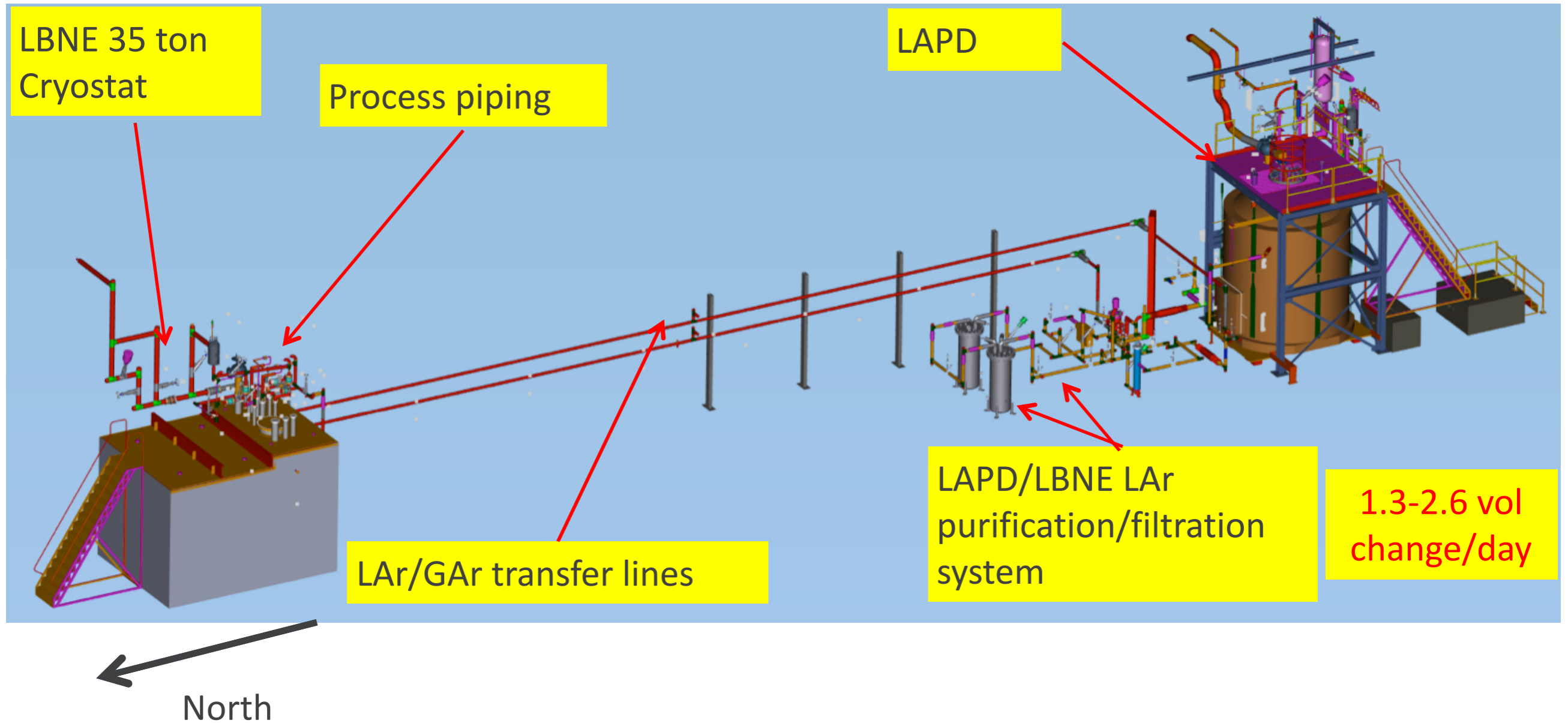
- **68 Collaborators**
- 3 US national labs
- 12 US universities
- 5 foreign institutions
- *and 20+ students in summer*

new groups are showing interest to join



The LBNE 35 ton Membrane Cryostat

Layout



LBNE 35-ton prototype (what makes it special)

Cryostat

Membrane cryostat technology from LNG industry

Cold Electronics

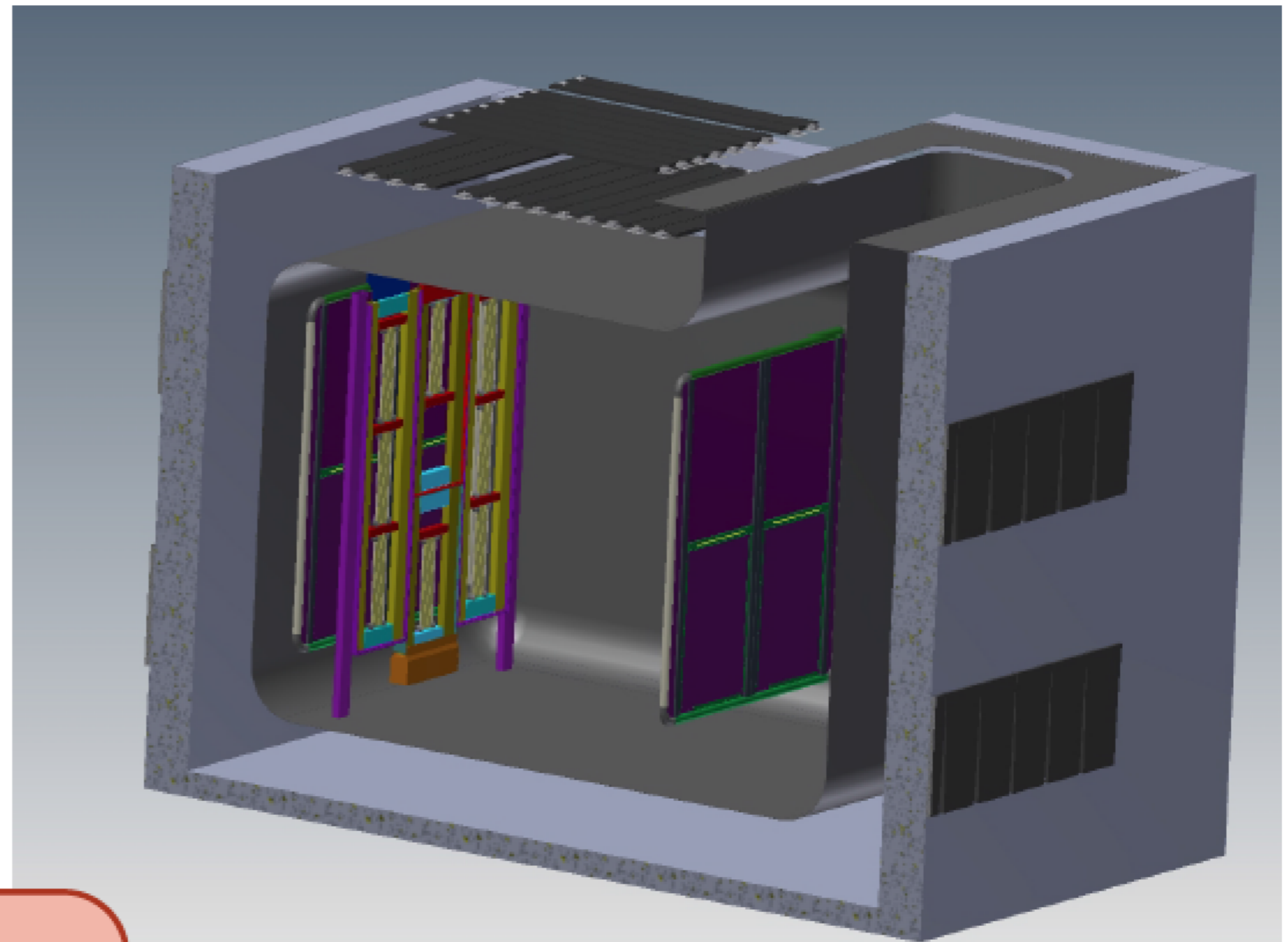
Amplify and digitize signals inside cryostat

DAQ

Continuous readout of TPC and Photon Detectors

Photon Detectors

- TPB (wavelength shifter) coated light guides with SiPMs
- Absolute SiPM calibration being developed
- Simulation of light production and collection



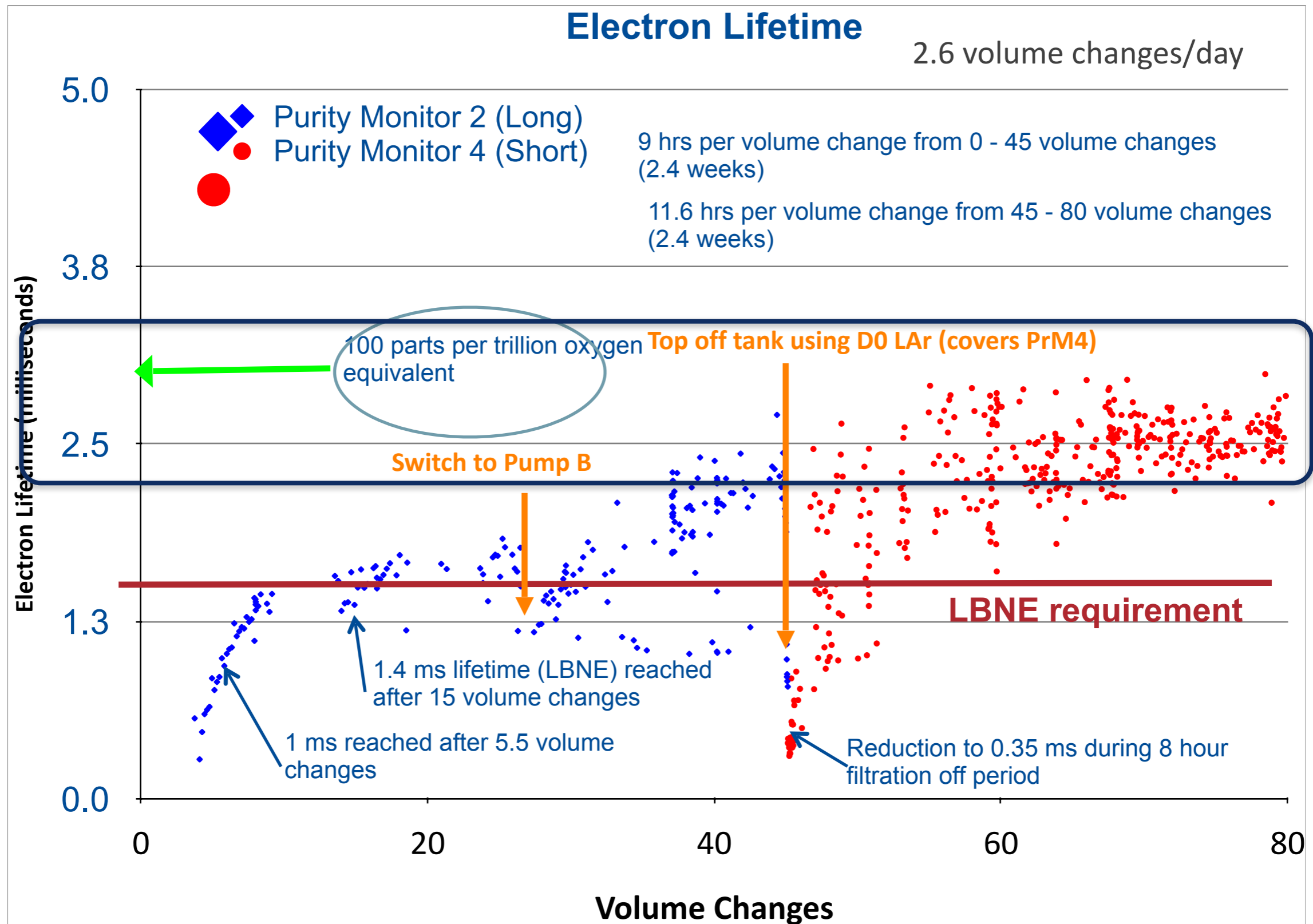
TPC

- Cathode HV up to 200 kV, 2.2 m electron drift
- Wrapped wire planes (ambiguity associating induction plane hits to drift volume)
- 8 sets of wire planes, 8 drift volumes, 2 drift directions

Inside view



Purity



35ton Measurements – High priority

Detector sensitivity

- Measure S/N with MIPs (through-going muons)
- **Note:** S/N depends on electronics noise, wire length, wire spacing, drift field, purity, and ??? We have 3 different wire lengths

Tracking resolution

- Measure tracking performance for through going muons ***

Energy resolution

- Measure dE/dx vs residual range for muons (MIPs), electrons (Michel), protons? and compare with simulation ***

Time resolution

- Measure event time resolution of the photon detectors, using external scintillators as truth

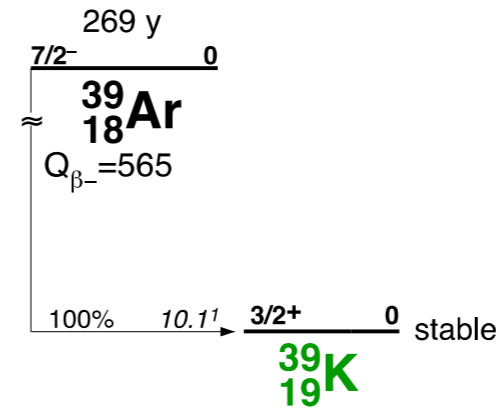
Characterize photon detectors

- Simulate light production and collection, tune to match data

*** with special attention to gaps between APAs and edge effects near field cage/APA

Low Radioactivity Underground Argon

Atmospheric Argon Limit
for low level detectors
(e. g., Darkmatter detectors)



- Atmospheric Argon (AAr)
 - Contains beta emitter ^{39}Ar at a concentration of 8×10^{-16}
 - Radioactivity of AAr = 1 Bq/kg
- Underground Argon (UAr)
 - Concentration of ^{39}Ar is at least 150 times less than AAr
 - Radioactivity of UAr < 7mBq/kg
ref. (arXiv:1204.6011)

Low Radioactivity Underground Argon source
in South Western Colorado



Carbon dioxide well used for oil industry

Purification of low-radioactivity argon from underground

Atmospheric argon $\sim 1\text{Bq/kg}$ from ^{39}Ar ;

This background limits the size of dual-phase Argon TPCs to < 1 tonne for dark matter searches because of pile up.

Ar (600 ppm) from certain CO_2 wells in Co has $< 0.01\text{ Bq/kg}$ (arXiv:1204.6011) Mixture of $\sim 4\%$ Ar, $\sim 5\% \text{N}_2$, $\sim 90\% \text{He}$ comes to Fermilab; have to distill the N_2 off.

Column has processed $> 100\text{ kg}$ Ar

Aimed at DarkSide and DEAP programs



Argon Distillation Column at PAB

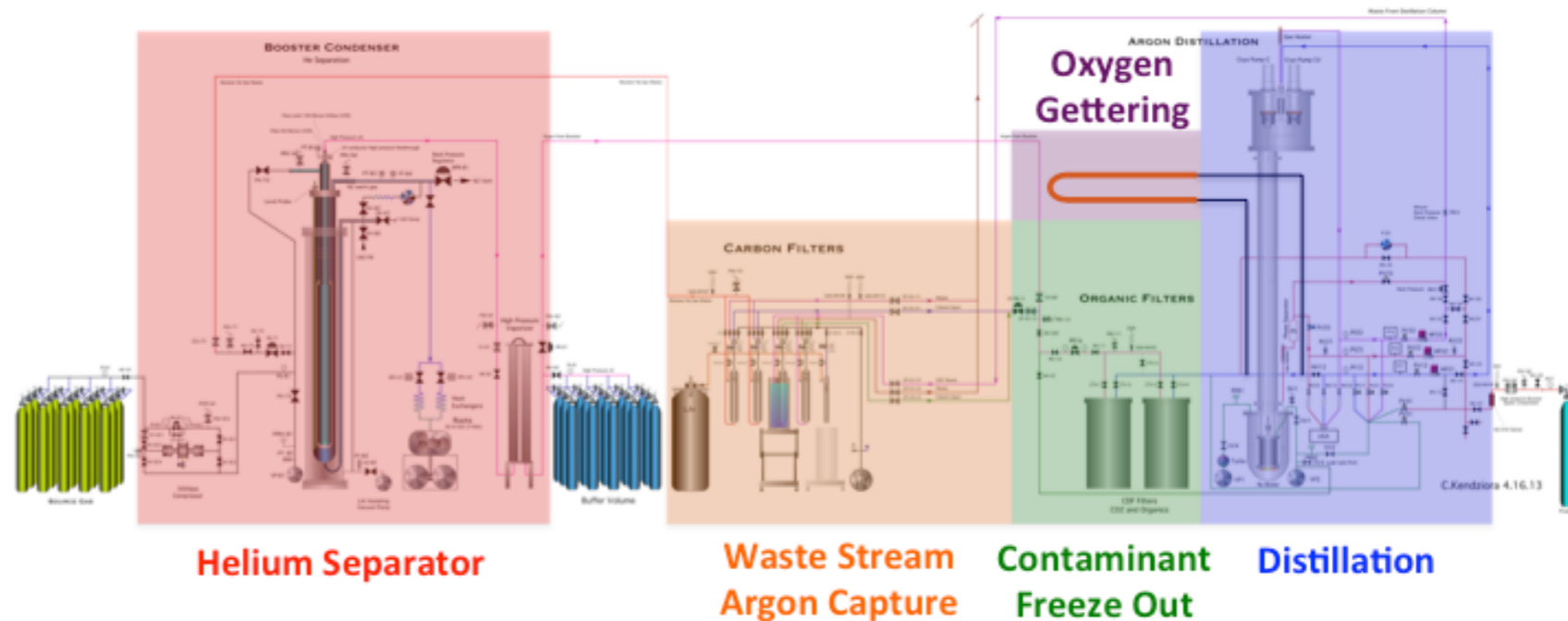
Getting to the UAr

Extracting Argon in Colorado



- Well gas is primarily CO₂ with 500 ppm argon contamination
- Extraction plant in Colorado produces crude gas mixture
 - 5% Argon
 - 5% Nitrogen
 - 90% Helium

Purification at Fermilab



- The Purification Process at Fermilab
 1. Separate Helium for Ar-N₂ mix
 2. Freeze out any residual contaminants (e.g., CO₂)
 3. Capture residual oxygen before entering distillation column
 4. Distillation Column separates N₂ and Ar
 - System also has argon recovery for residual argon in helium waste

The Success

Purified UAr mass – 145 kg

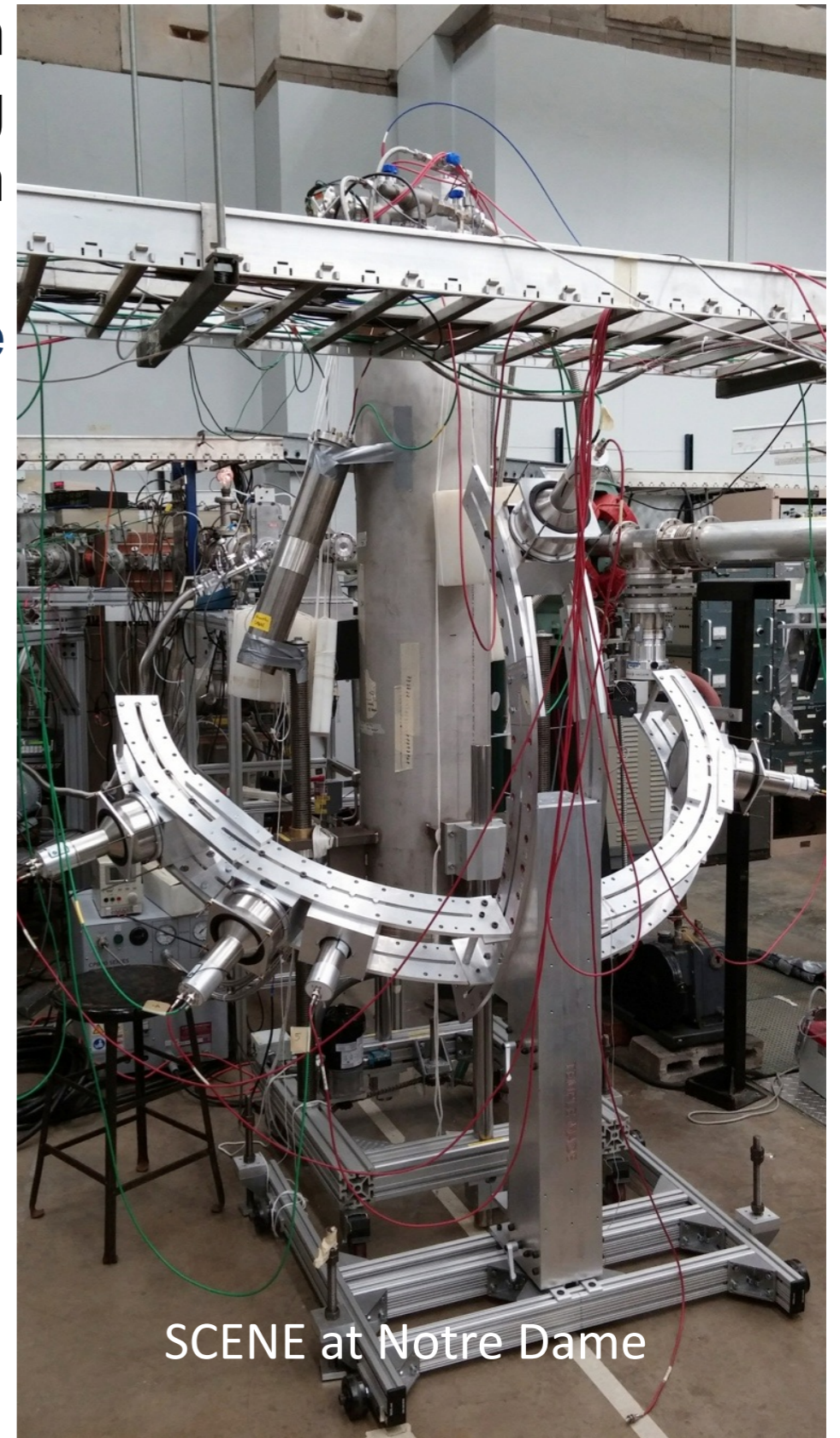
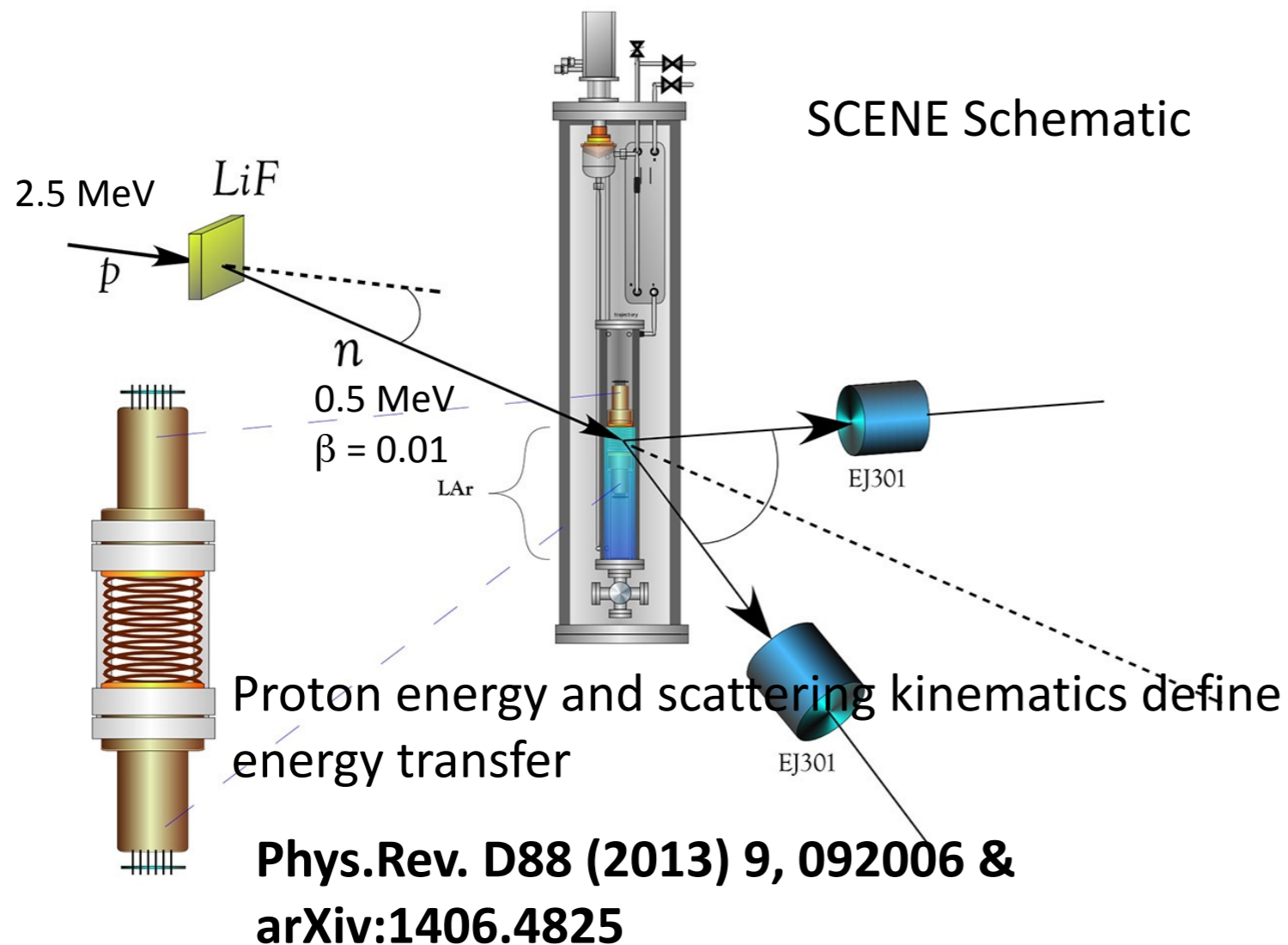
Required for Darkside-50 target – 160 kg

Expected completion Feb. 2015

SCENE – Scintillation Efficiency of Noble Elements

Precision measurement of light output of Argon nuclear recoils in a dual-phase LArTPC using monoenergetic, low energy, pulsed Neutron Beam at Notre Dame

(Chicago, Fermilab, Princeton, Naples, Notre Dame, Temple, UCLA)



The LArTPC R&D at FERMILAB - SUMMARY

Construction of LAr1-ND and run of LArIAT are the big items.

Test LBN TPC design with 35 t Prototype

Integration of the HV cryostat on argon source at PAB

Argon Purification

HV studies

Light detection studies

Materials Tests

ScENE studies

Infrastructure wish-list:

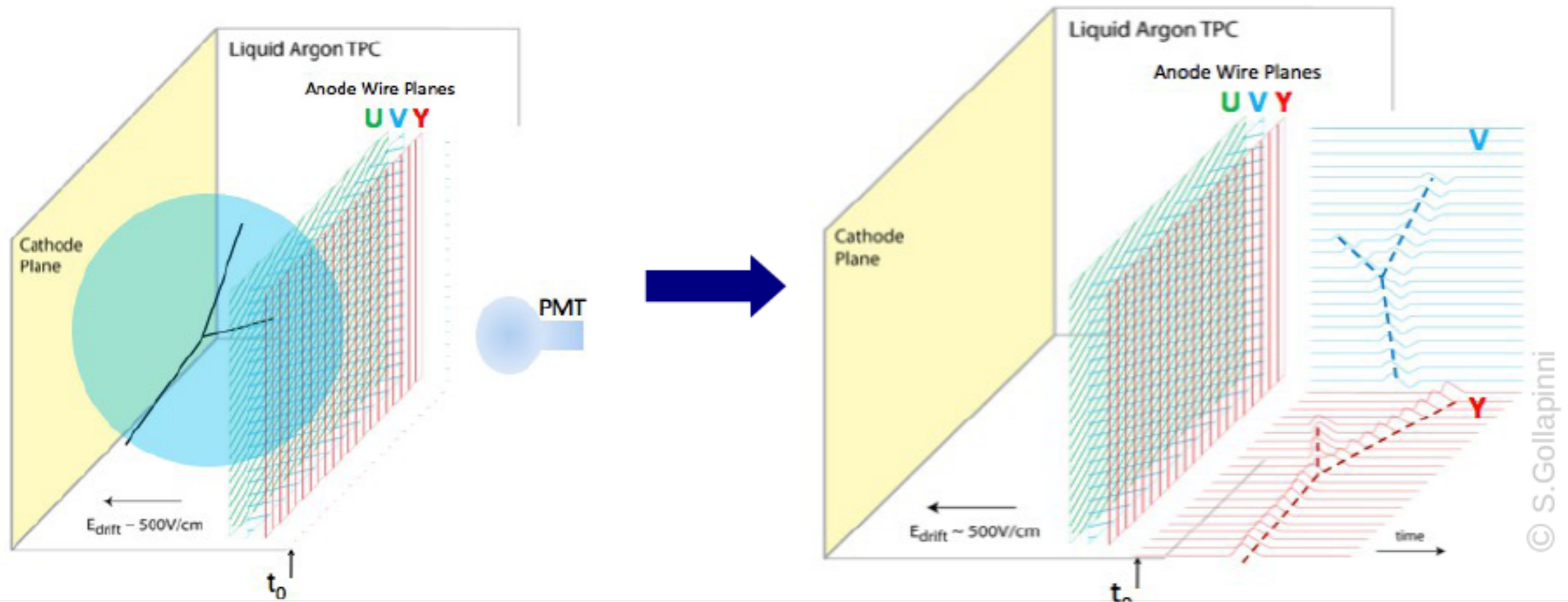
Device to move radioactive sources up and down inside a cryostat

Material test stand to measure water outgassing rates from – 100 C to 0 C.

Lightweight under water (argon) camera

BACK-UP SLIDES

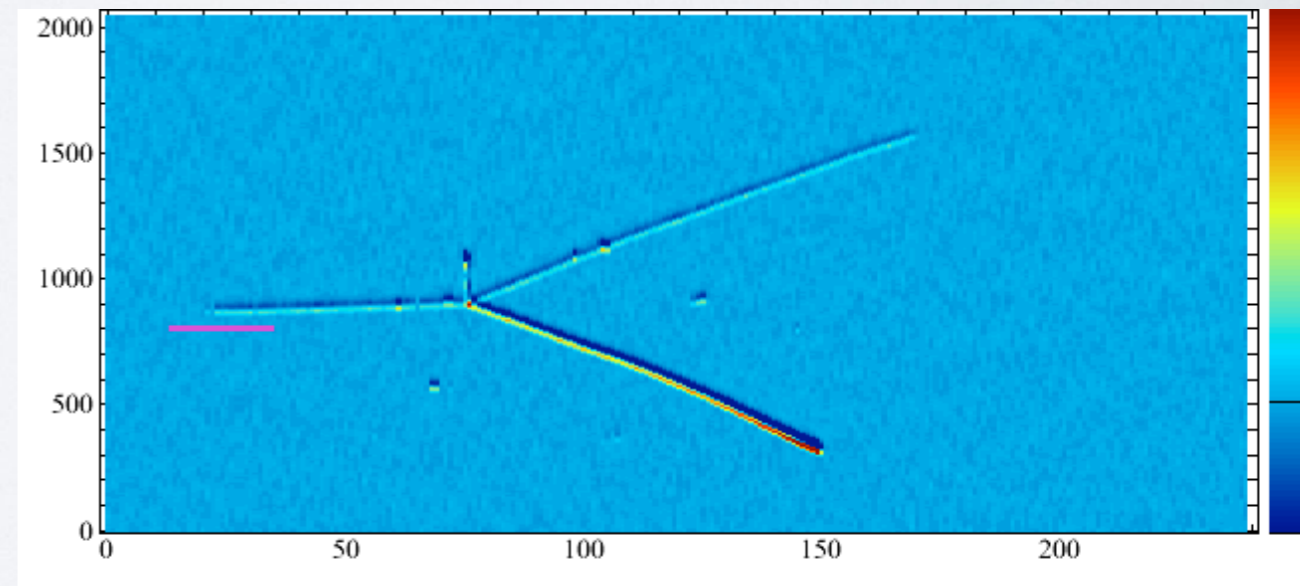
Time projection chambers

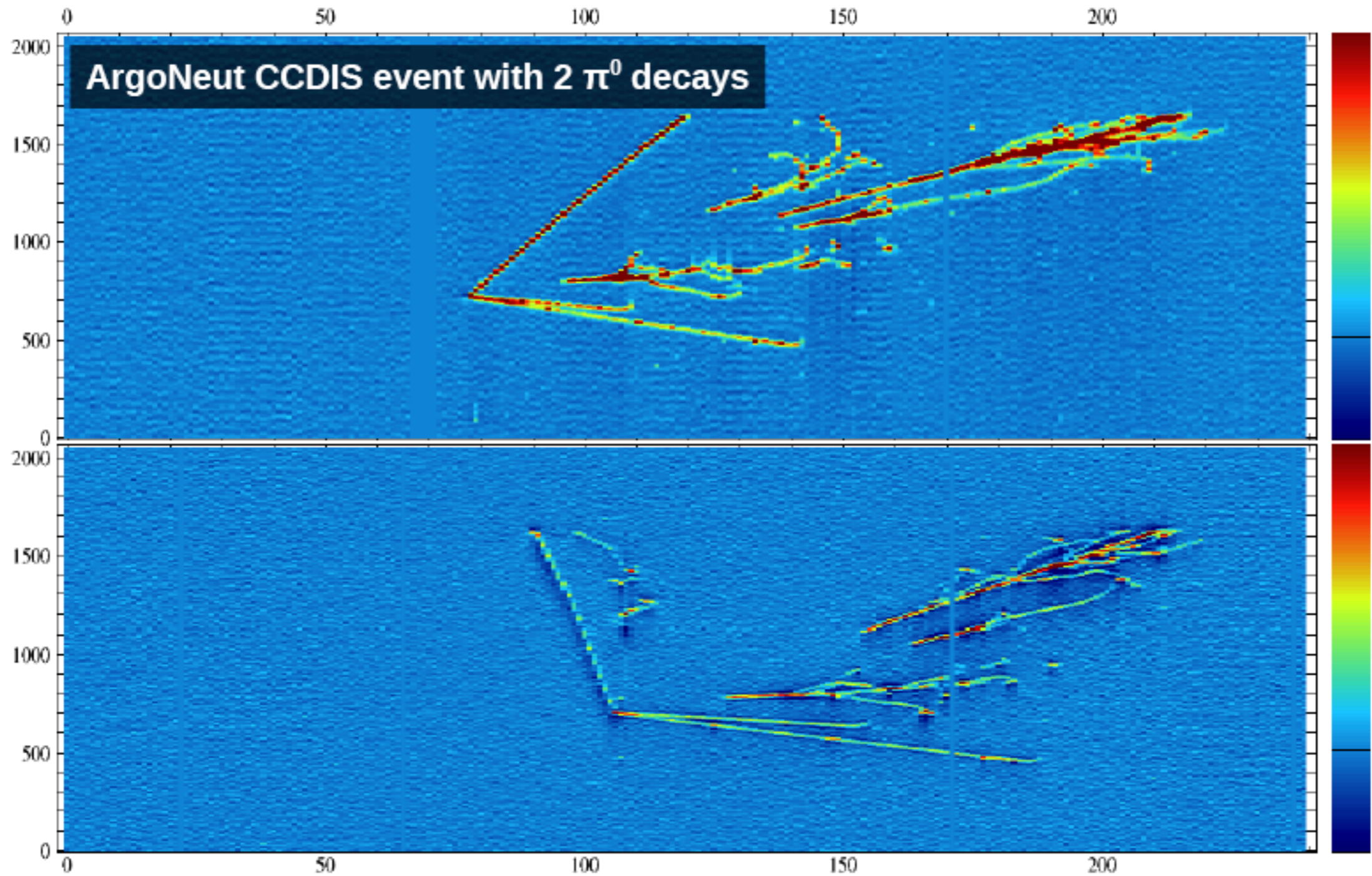


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LAr-Time Projection Chambers allow multiple 2D and the 3D reconstruction of charged particles tracks.

- Charged particles crossing the detector ionize the liquid, producing free electrons that are drifted towards the readout wire-planes and produce digitized signals.
- The 3rd coordinate is determined from measuring the drift time. Scintillation light gives the reference t_0 time.
- The total charge is prop to the deposited Energy \Rightarrow calorimetry. (note: also scintillation light is prop to dep Energy)
- dE/dx along the track \Rightarrow PId





ν_e appearance background rejection
 $\pi^0 \rightarrow$ photon / electron discrimination possible



ORIGIN OF THE CURRENT LArTPC TEST BEAM EFFORT (IN US)

Integrated Plan for LArTPC neutrino detectors in the US

Prepared for the FNAL Director's Review of LArTPC R&D Planning
LArTPC Planning Group, B. Baller and B. Fleming, Editors
November 18, 2009

most of the indicated
LArR&D items in the
list successfully
accomplished in the
meantime!!

1 LBNE and LAr Science and Project Goals

Experimental results from the last decade have revolutionized neutrino physics. The first conclusive evidence that neutrinos oscillate and have mass came in 1998. While this seminal discovery has answered many questions, even more. Particularly interesting is the question of CP Violation: do neutrinos and anti-neutrinos oscillate at the same rate? The answer to this question is the key to our matter dominated universe.

Long baseline neutrino oscillation searches are proposed and are being carried out. Moreover, these experiments are the only ones that can simultaneously measure the unknown in the 3x3 neutrino mixing matrix, a CP violating phase, and the neutrino mass eigenstates.

The US particle physics community is developing ideas for long baseline oscillation experiments beyond NO ν A. To be sensitive to

In summary form, the plan consists of the following pre-existing components:

- The Materials Test Stand program, now in operation at Fermilab, addressing questions pertaining to maintenance of argon purity
- Existing electronics test stands at FNAL and BNL
- The Liquid Argon Purity Demonstrator (LAPD) now being assembled at Fermilab
- The ArgoNeuT prototype LArTPC, now running in the NuMI beam
- The MicroBooNE experiment, proposed as a physics experiment that will advance our understanding of the LArTPC technology, now completing its conceptual design phase.
- A software development effort that is well integrated across present and planned LArTPC detectors.

We are proposing to add to these efforts the following:

- A membrane cryostat mechanical prototype to evaluate and gain expertise with this technology.
- An installation and integration prototype, to understand issues pertaining to detector assembly, particularly in an underground environment.
- A ~ 5% scale electronics systems test to understand system-wide issues as well as individual component reliability.
- A calibration test stand that would consist of a small TPC to be exposed to a test beam for calibration studies, relevant for evaluation of physics sensitivities.

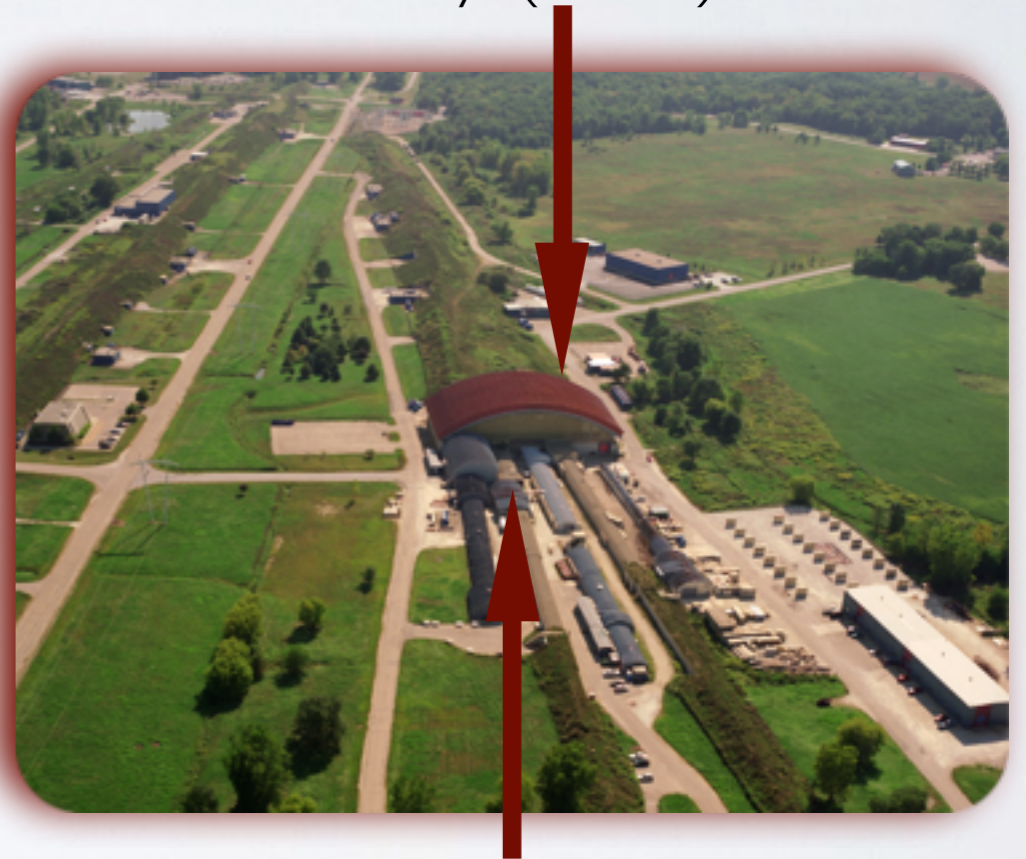
and discussed again
at LBNE Integrated Plan – May 2010
and
at LBNE/LAr Working Group mtg
June 2/3 2011

Feb. 2012 – formed LArIAT
Collaboration

Data taking about to start

LArIAT: what, where, when, why

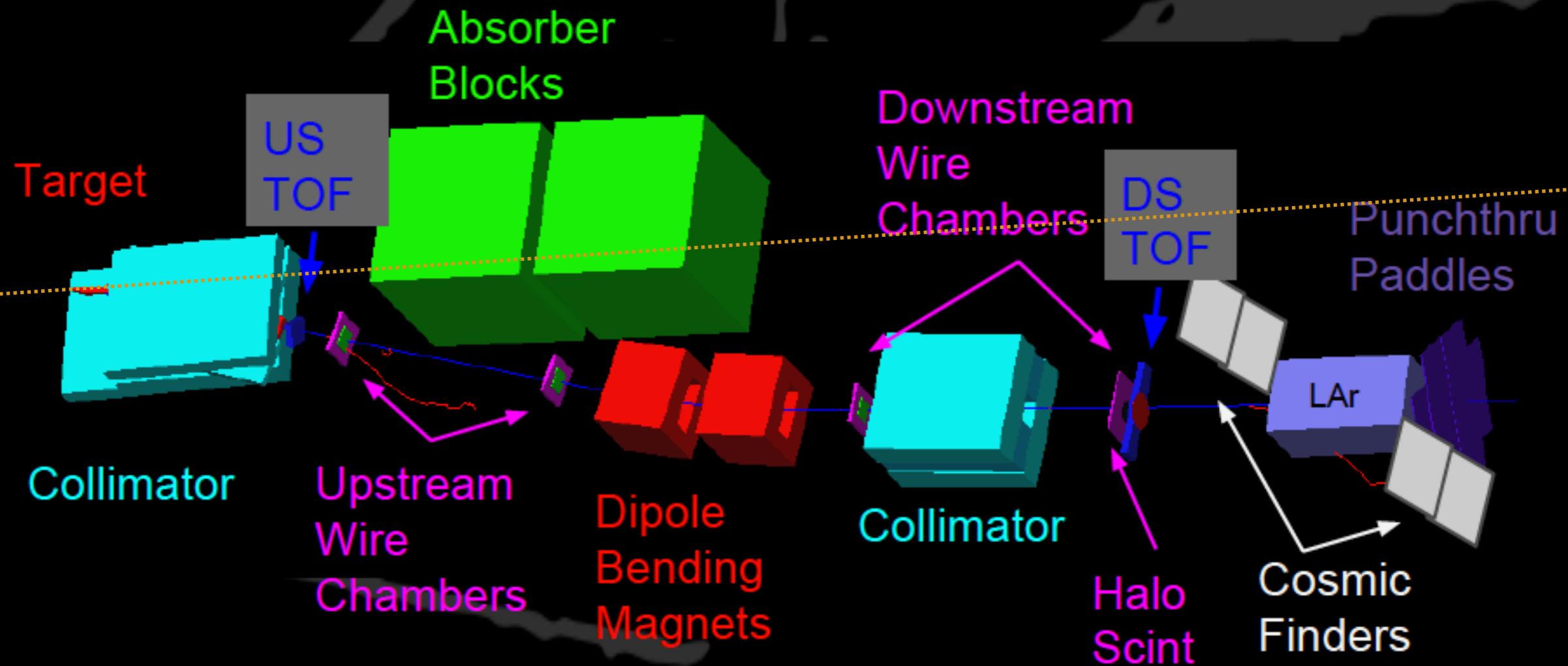
- LArIAT is a test beam experiment designed to measure details of the detector response to charged particles of known energy and type.
 - LArIAT is the first precision **charged particle** test beam with LArTPC !
(Only earlier LAr-TPC test beam was T32 at JPARC with coarser strip, single plane read-out)
- The experiment is being assembled at FNAL Test Beam Facility (FTBF).
- The experiment is foreseen as taking place in several phases
 - *Phase I* renovate the ArgoNeuT cryostat&TPC and add a new cryogenics system, new cold electronics, new scintillation light read-out and new DAQ.
 - *Phase II* will re-use the cryogenics system and add a new cryostat&TPC. **New innovative solutions are being considered.**
- *Phase I* should take data soon (Run 2014-15)
- *Phase II* could take data starting in ≥ 2016



FROM THE RESUMED **MCENTRAL BEAM-LINE** AT FTBF,
A DEDICATED **TERTIARY BEAM** LINE HAS BEEN
DESIGNED, INSTALLED
AND IS NOW READY TO OPERATE

The LArIAT Beam Line and Detectors
(shown by J. St.John-Cincinnati, LArIAT Run Coordinator)

Beam Detectors: What do we have?



Pion Beam

from Box Schematic to Real Hardware

Beam Detectors : What do we get?



In trigger:

“good” track along beam path (WC's, $\overline{\text{Halo}}$)
timing measurement (TOF)
cosmic near TPC diagonal (cosmic finders)

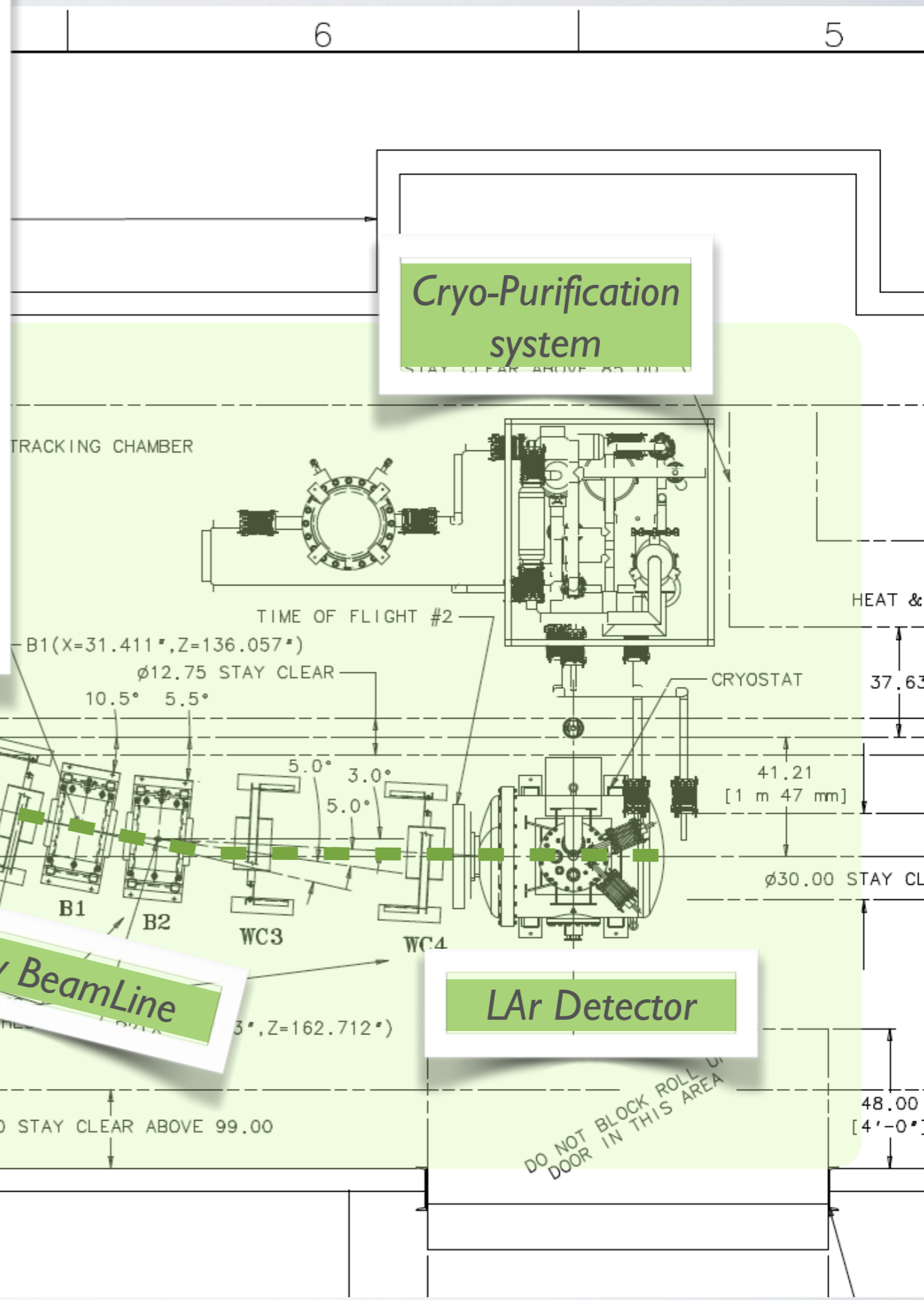
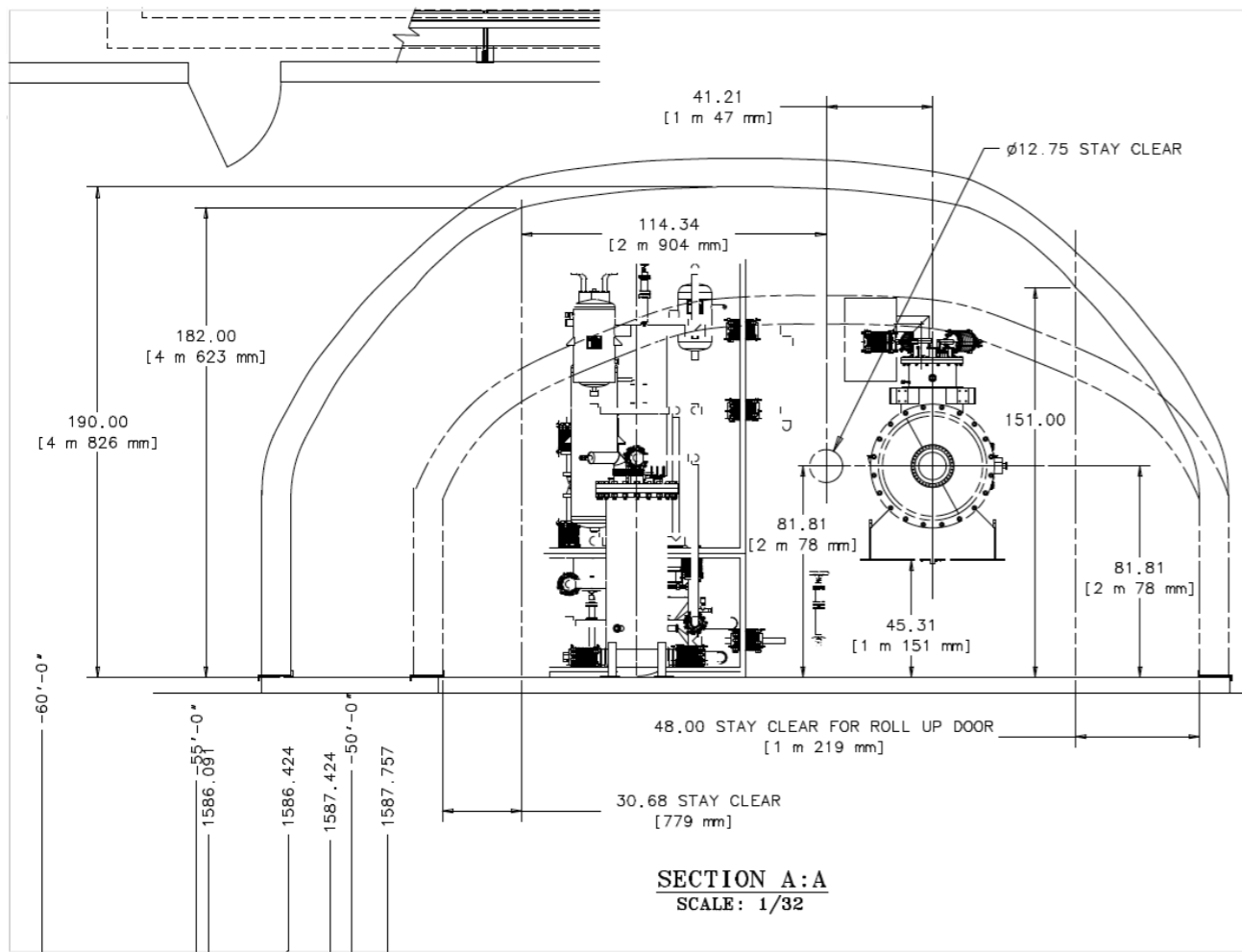
In data, trigger info plus:

track momentum (WC's) →
track position (WC's) → Mass estimate → PID
particle beta (TOF) →
track punches through (...punchthrough)

coming soon:

e, μ, π ID by a pair of threshold aerogel Cherenkov counters
($n=1.05$ & $n=1.11$)

μ ID by a downstream Iron/Scint muon stack ranger



LArIAT
Enclosure

Tertiary BeamLine

LAr Detector

→ experimentally measure separation efficiency and sample purity for

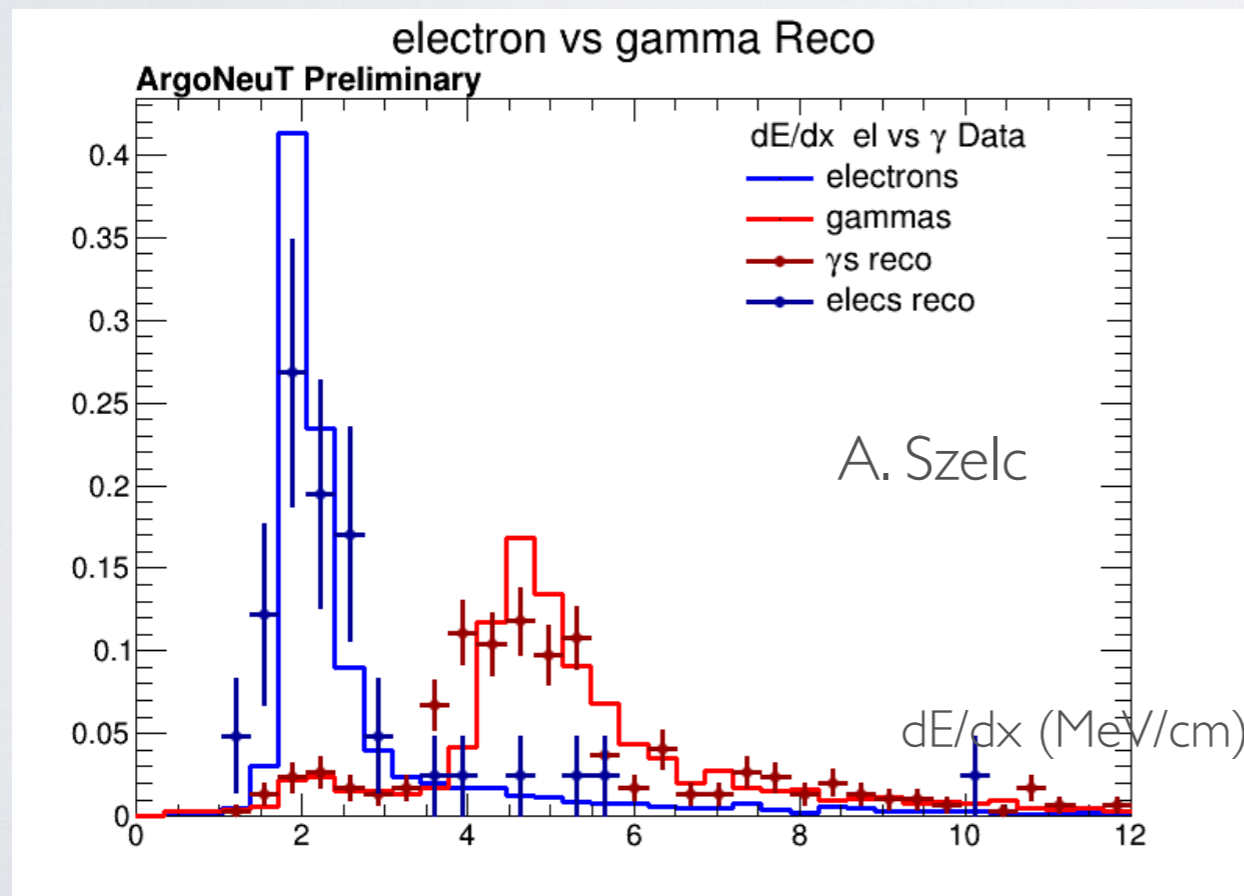
e^- -induced vs. γ -induced showers

→ tune Monte Carlo simulation

→ develop / optimize algorithms

- Study of the *MiniBooNE* low-energy excess (*MicroBooNE* goal)

- Support measurement of the CP violating phase from oscillation into electron (anti)neutrinos (*LBN* goal)



high stat test beam data

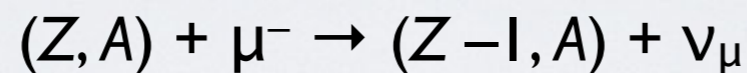
will come soon

μ^- Capture

A meso-atom is formed after muon slows down in the target;
in this case, the muon relaxes to the $1s$ state, emitting a cascade of meso-X-ray photons (μX).

A muon located in the $1s$ state may undergo two alternative processes:

- **decay** with the partial lifetime $\tau_d = 2197.03$ ns into an electron and muon neutrino or
- **be captured** by the nucleus $\tau_c = 570$ ns:



When a muon is captured, an excited daughter nucleus is formed. It will relax in different ways:

- electromagnetic transitions (if the excitation energy is less than about 6MeV) or
- emission of one or several nucleons

	Isotopes	Isotopic yield per stopped muon, %
$^{40}\text{Ar} + \mu^- \rightarrow ^{40}\text{Cl} + \nu$	^{40}Cl	7.12 ± 0.17
$^{40}\text{Ar} + \mu^- \rightarrow ^{39}\text{Cl} + n + \nu$	^{39}Cl	48.7 ± 1.38
$^{40}\text{Ar} + \mu^- \rightarrow ^{38}\text{Cl} + 2n + \nu$	^{38m}Cl	1.6 ± 0.1
	^{38}Cl	15.45 ± 0.9
$^{40}\text{Ar} + \mu^- \rightarrow ^{39}\text{S} + p + \nu$	^{39}S	0.22 ± 0.10
$^{40}\text{Ar} + \mu^- \rightarrow ^{38}\text{S} + d + \nu$	^{38}S	<1.2

μ^- capture: **Sum = 74 %**

μ^- decay: **26 %**

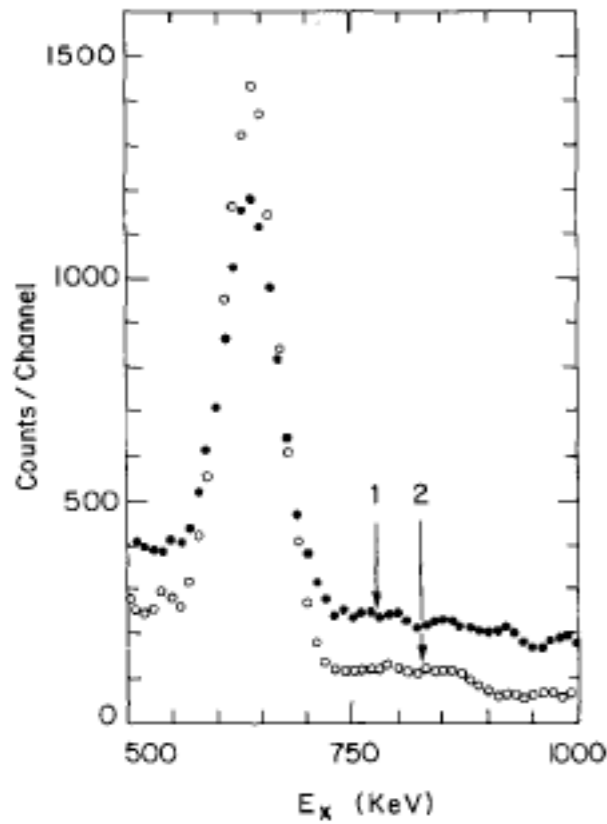
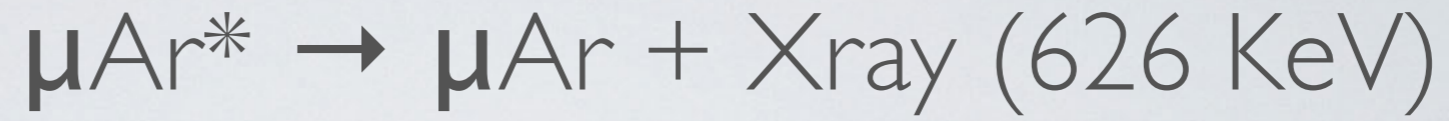
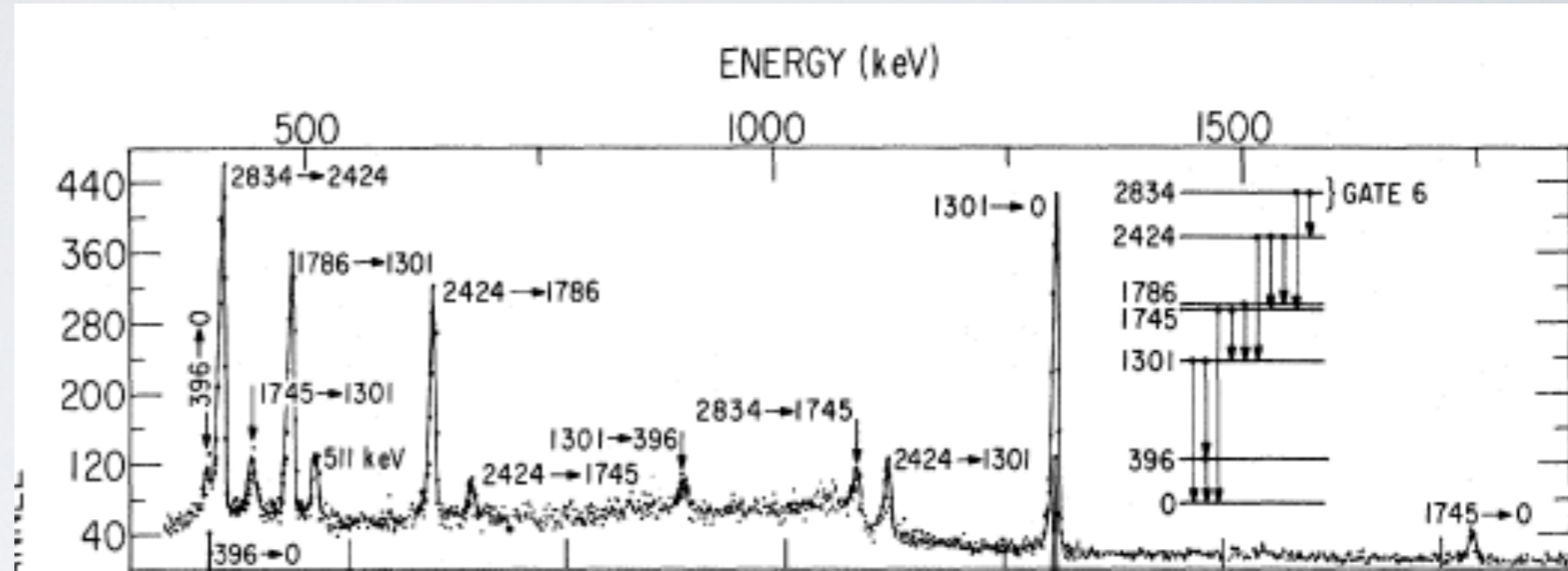
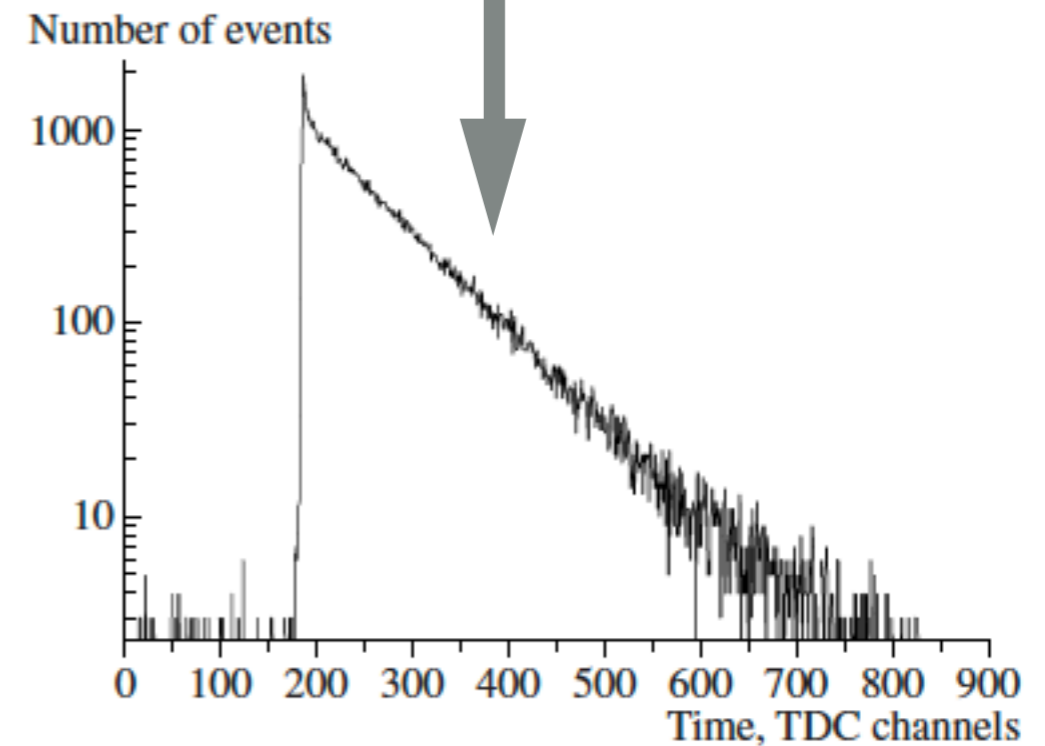


Fig. 2. Energy spectrum of the μAr prompt X-rays. 1:3 abs atm; 2:6 abs atm runs.

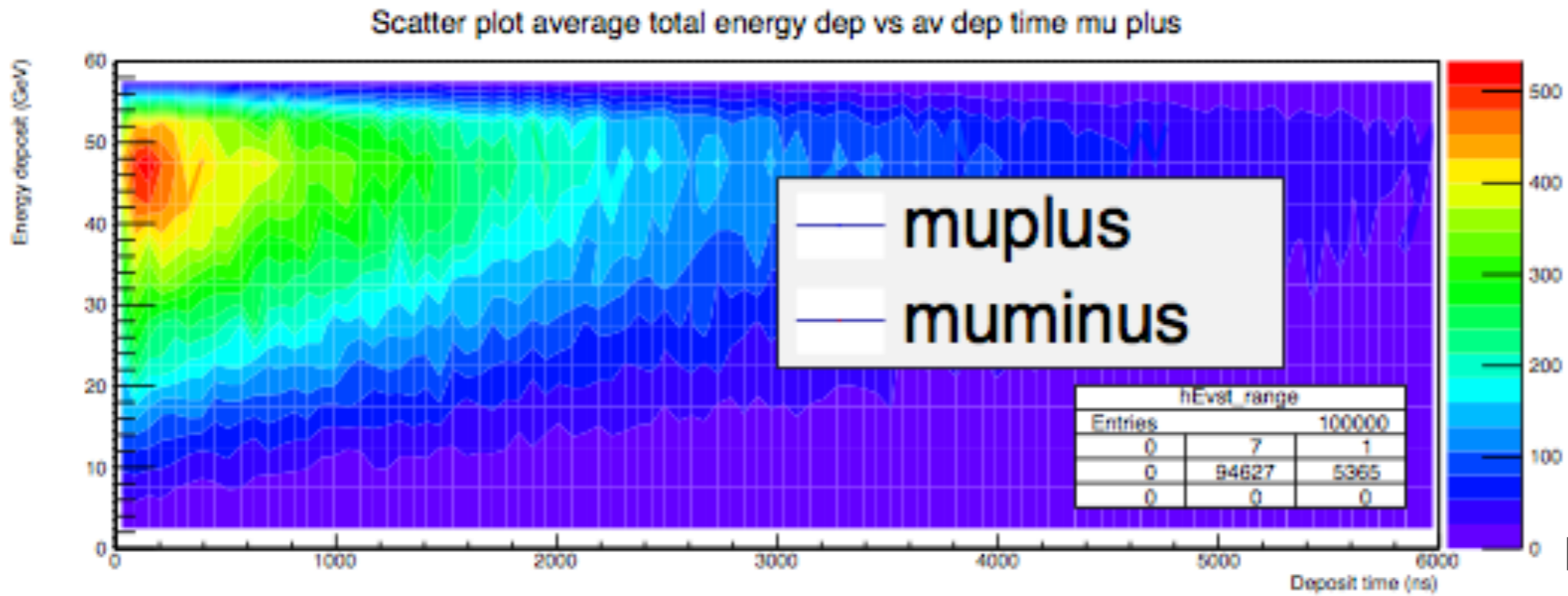


$^{39}\text{Cl}^*$ lines

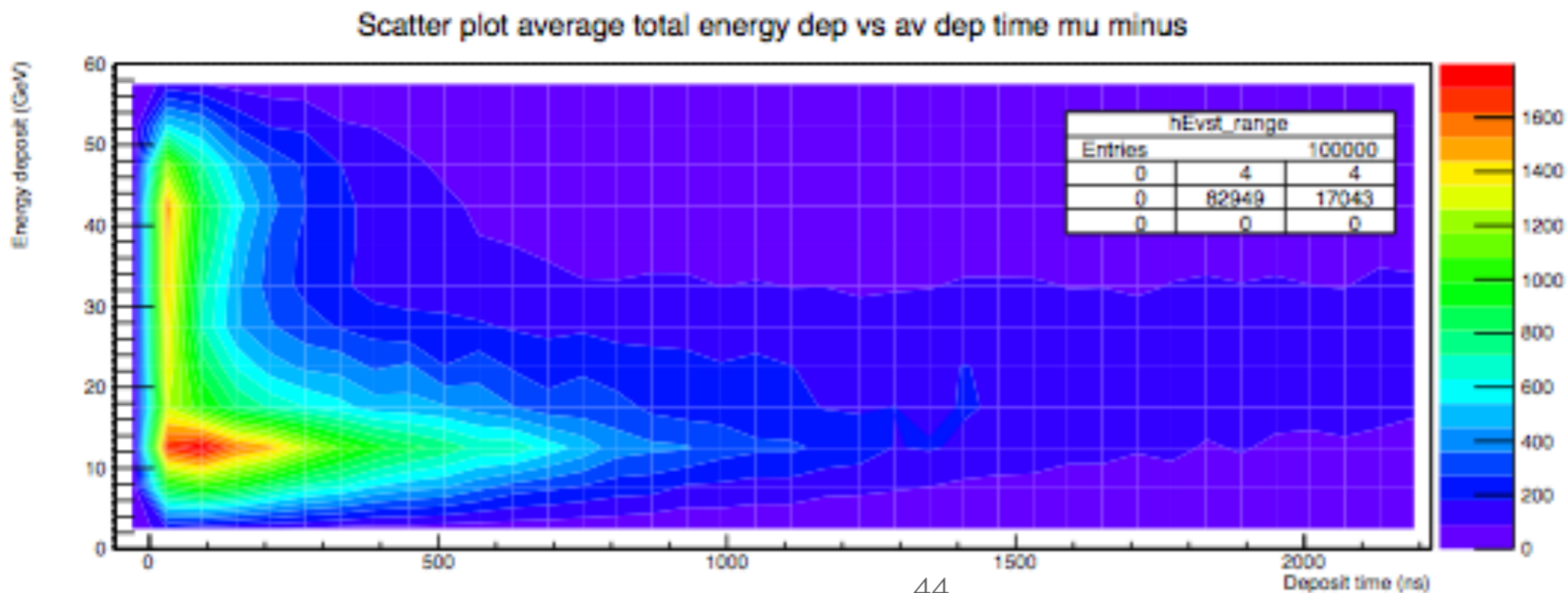


Time evolution of 1301-keV γ lines.

by I. Nutini, INFN Summer Student at FNAL (and H. Wenzel, G4 Team at FNAL)



note different hor. scale



Charged π 's in LAr in the [100 - 500] MeV range

In the intermediate energy range (100-500 MeV) the pion interaction is dominated by the strong Δ resonance (Δ resonance peaks for pion kinetic energy of ~ 200 MeV).

Pion-Nucleus interaction has four main components:

- 🌐 Elastic Scattering: nucleus left in ground state
- 🌐 Inelastic Scattering: nucleus excited/nucleon knock-out
- 🌐 Absorption: no pion in the final state
- 🌐 Charge Exchange: $\pi^\pm \rightarrow \pi^0$

★ π -production (above 500 MeV)

All processes (below 500 MeV) are dominated by Δ excitation

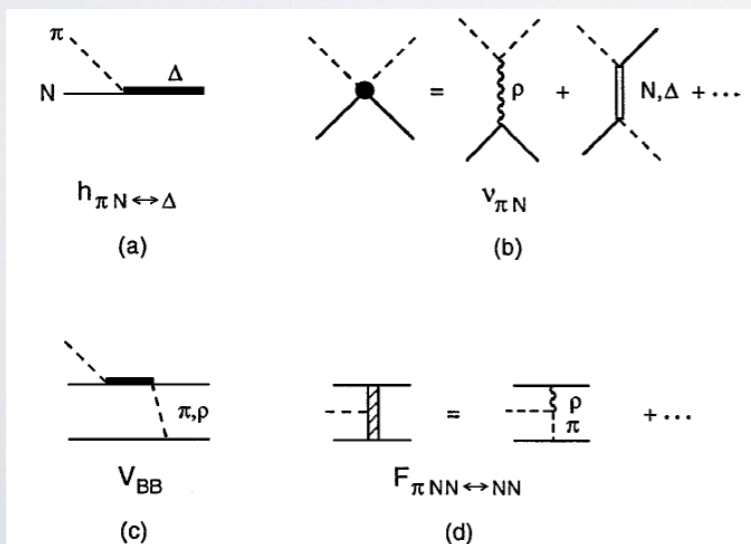
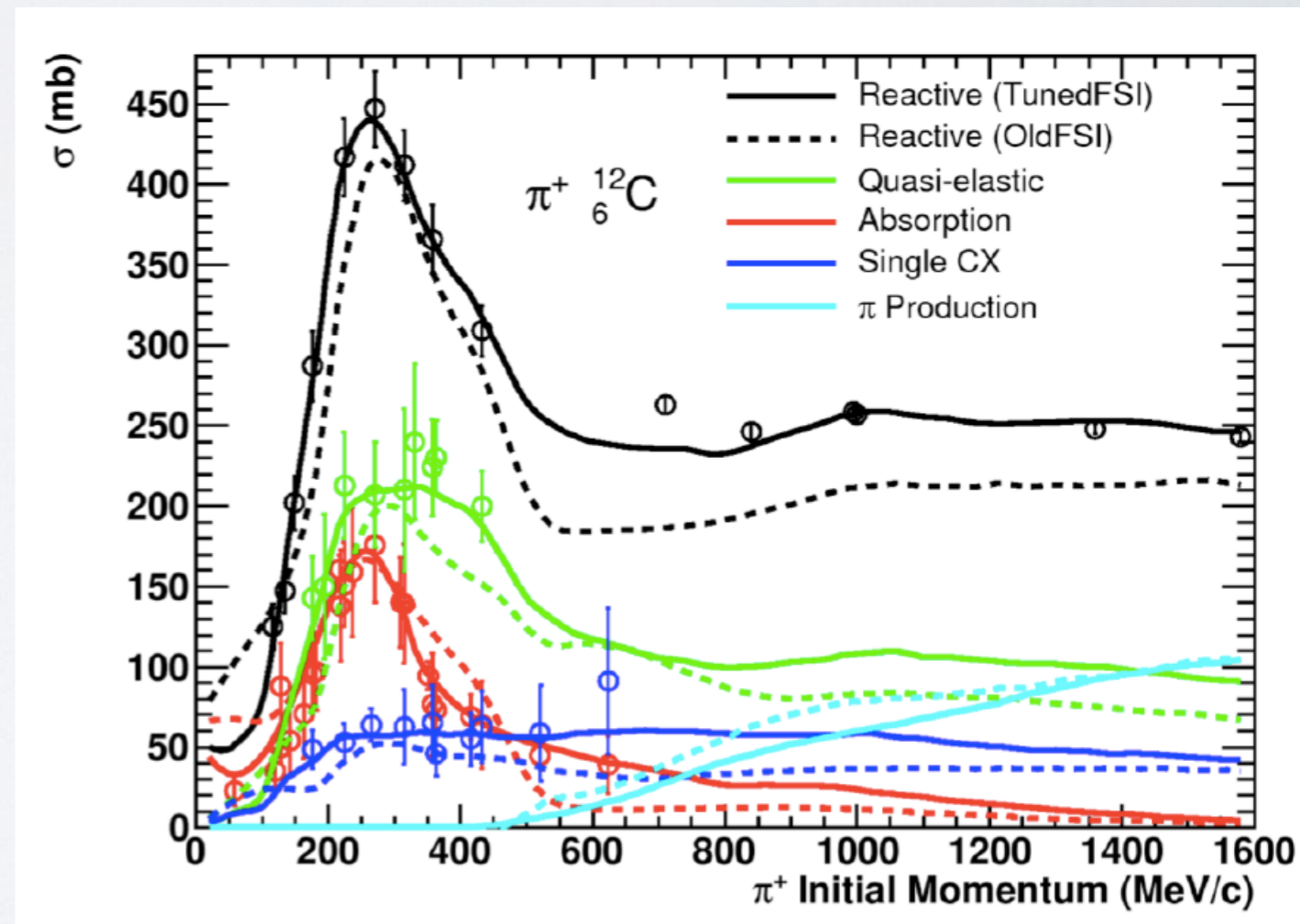
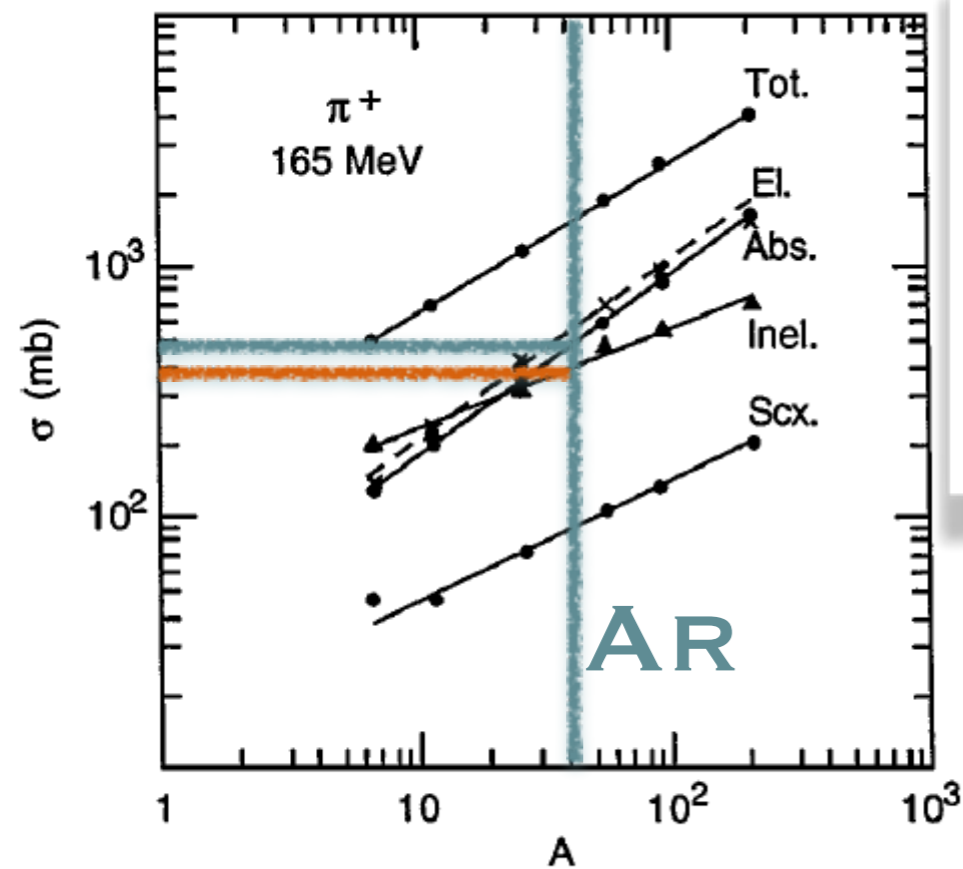


Figure 4 Graphical representations of some basic mechanisms of pion-nucleus interactions.



ABS is the dominant process in Ar (0.5 b !!)

Pion mass and kinetic energy mainly goes into energetic nucleons:

- $\pi^+ (np) \rightarrow pp$ or $\pi^- (np) \rightarrow nn$ (QDA 2-body reaction)
- $\pi^+ \rightarrow ppn$ or $\pi^- \rightarrow nnp$ (3-body reactions)

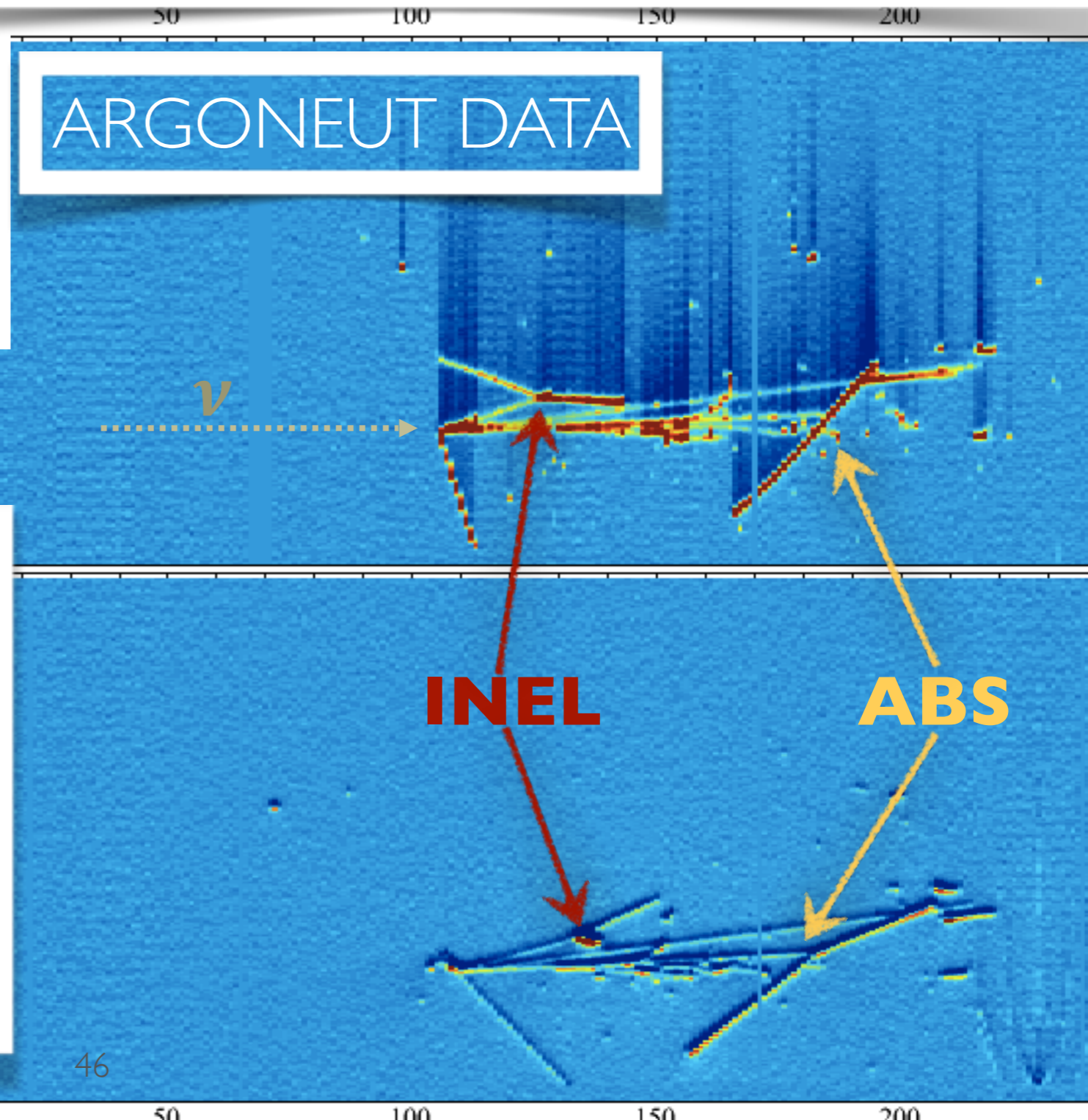
Nuclear mass (A)-dependence of pion-nucleus interaction cross sections

Charged π 's in LAr

INEL Xsect is also very large in Ar (0.4 b !!)

typical reaction:

- $\pi^+ p \rightarrow \Delta^{++} \rightarrow \pi^+ p$ (with p knock-out in final state)

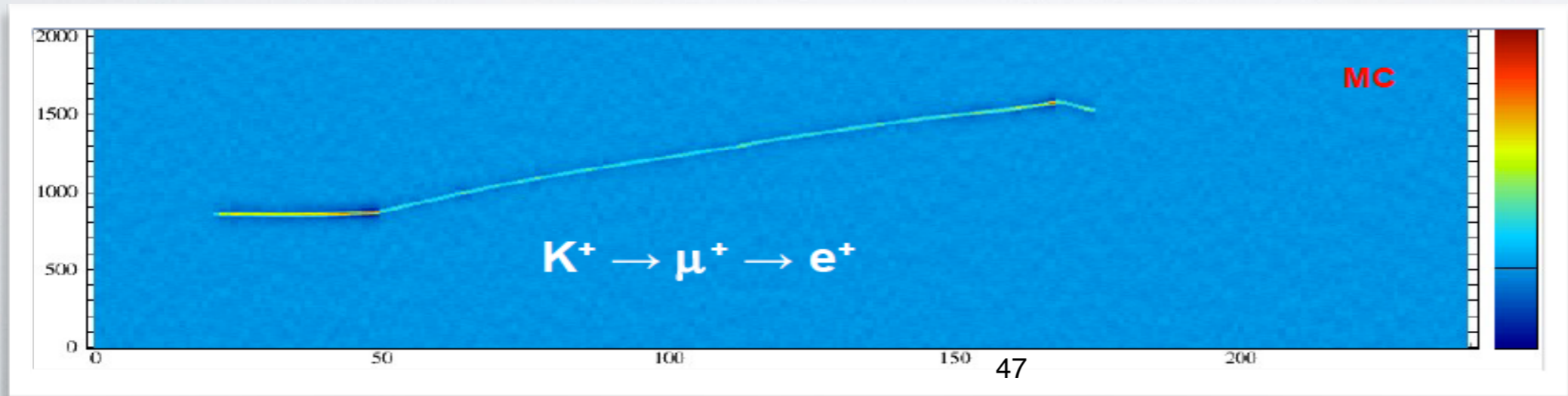
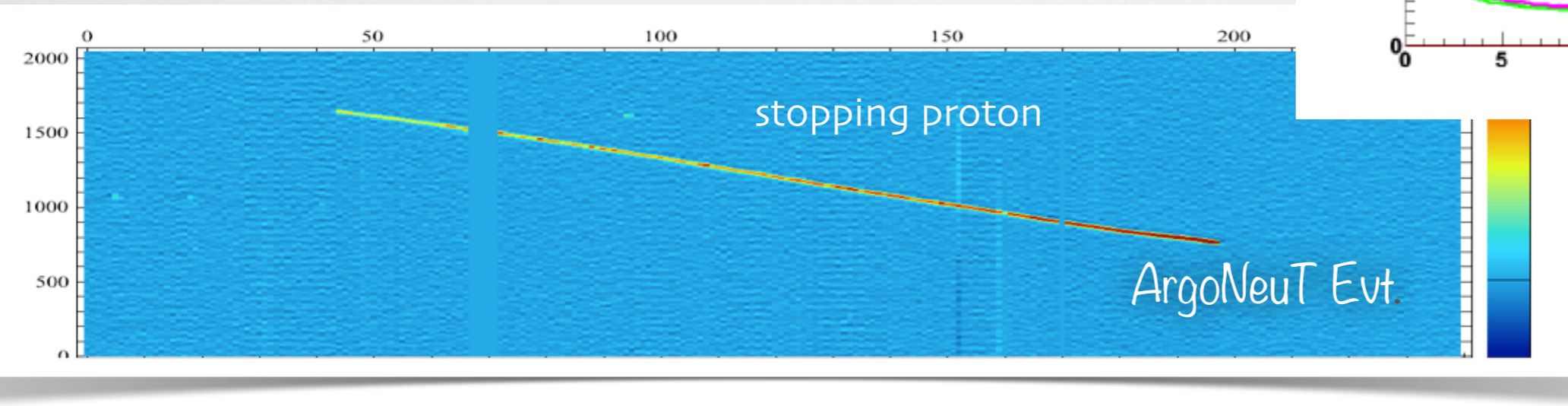
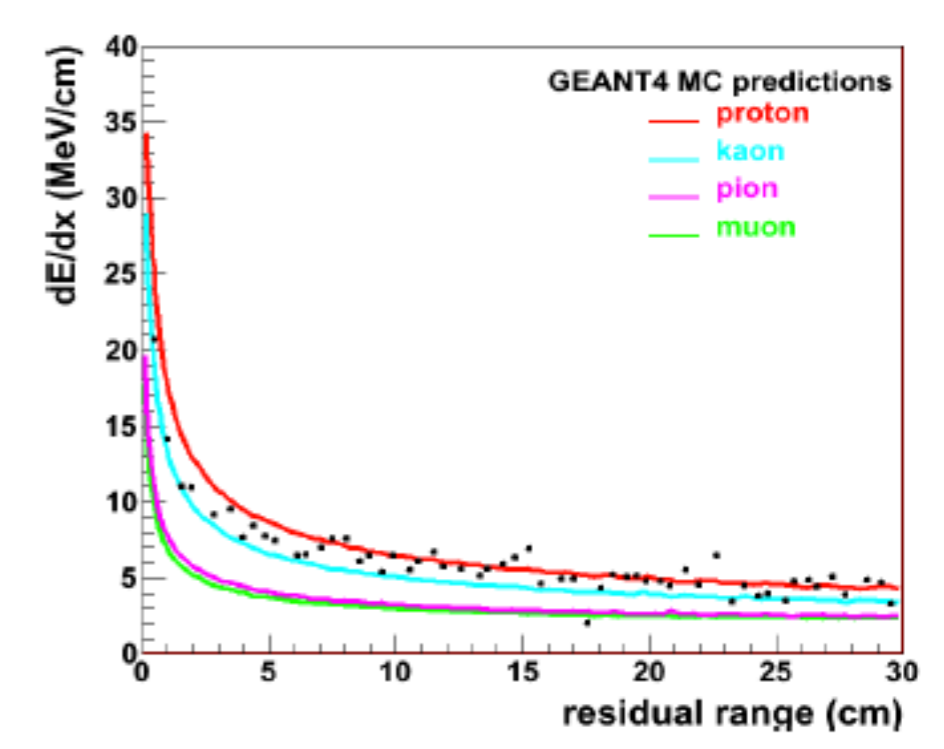


PARTICLE IDENTIFICATION

Study recombination along stopping tracks:

- Kaon to proton separation
- Kaon to pion separation

p-decay
(LBNE/F UG)



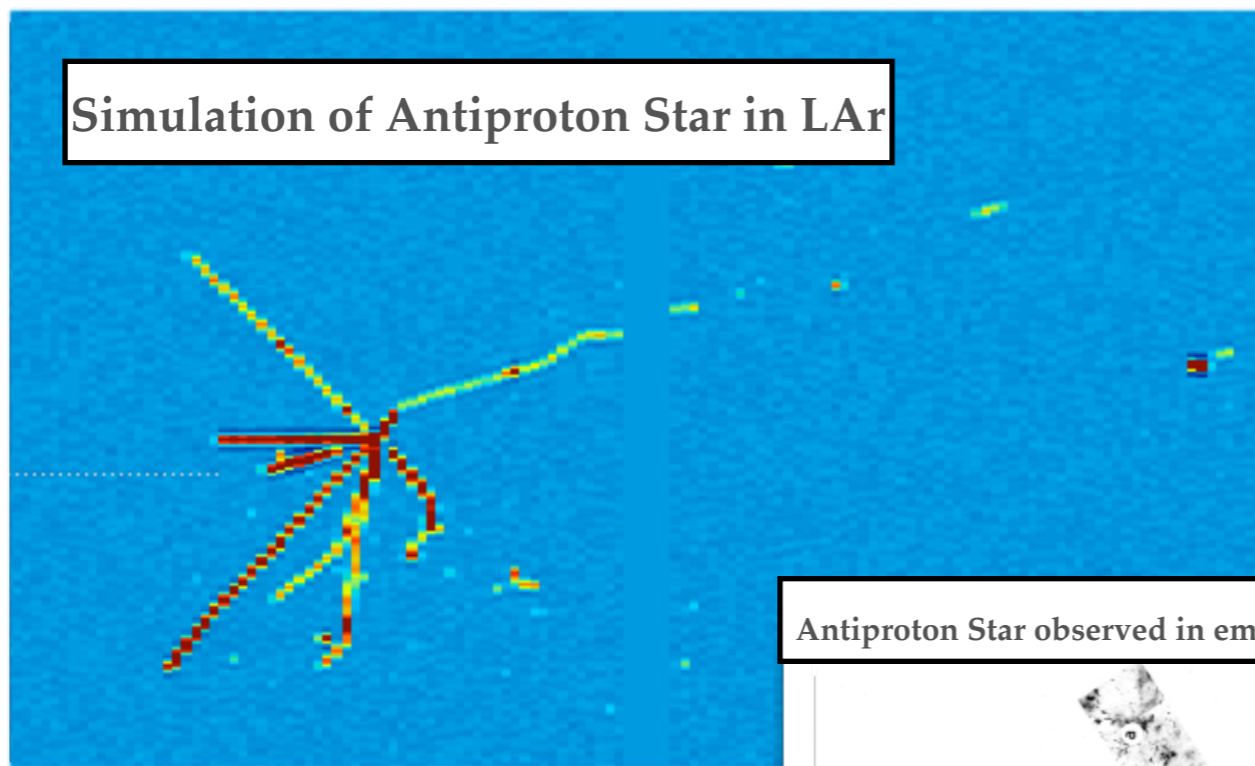
Study Nuclear Effects

- Nuclear effects are always an unknown for neutrino experiments

- Anti-p: HADRON STAR TOPOLOGY STUDY FROM $p\bar{p}$ ANNIHILATION IN AR

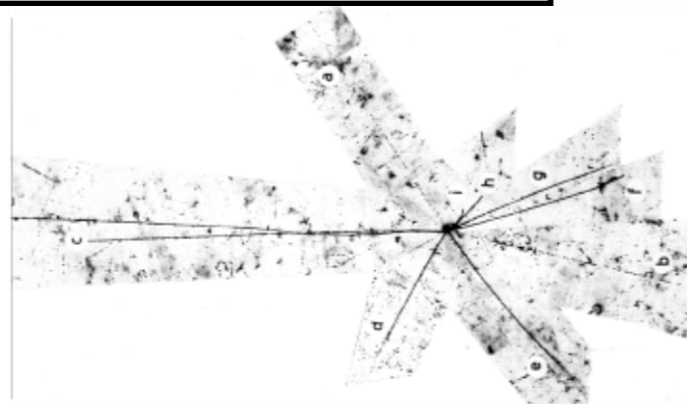
(RELEVANT FOR $n\bar{n}$ OSCILLATION SEARCH WITH FUTURE LARGE LArTPC DETECTORS)

Simulation of Antiproton Star in LAr



π, K, \dots multiplicity in
hadron stars with
LAr imaging detector

Antiproton Star observed in emulsion



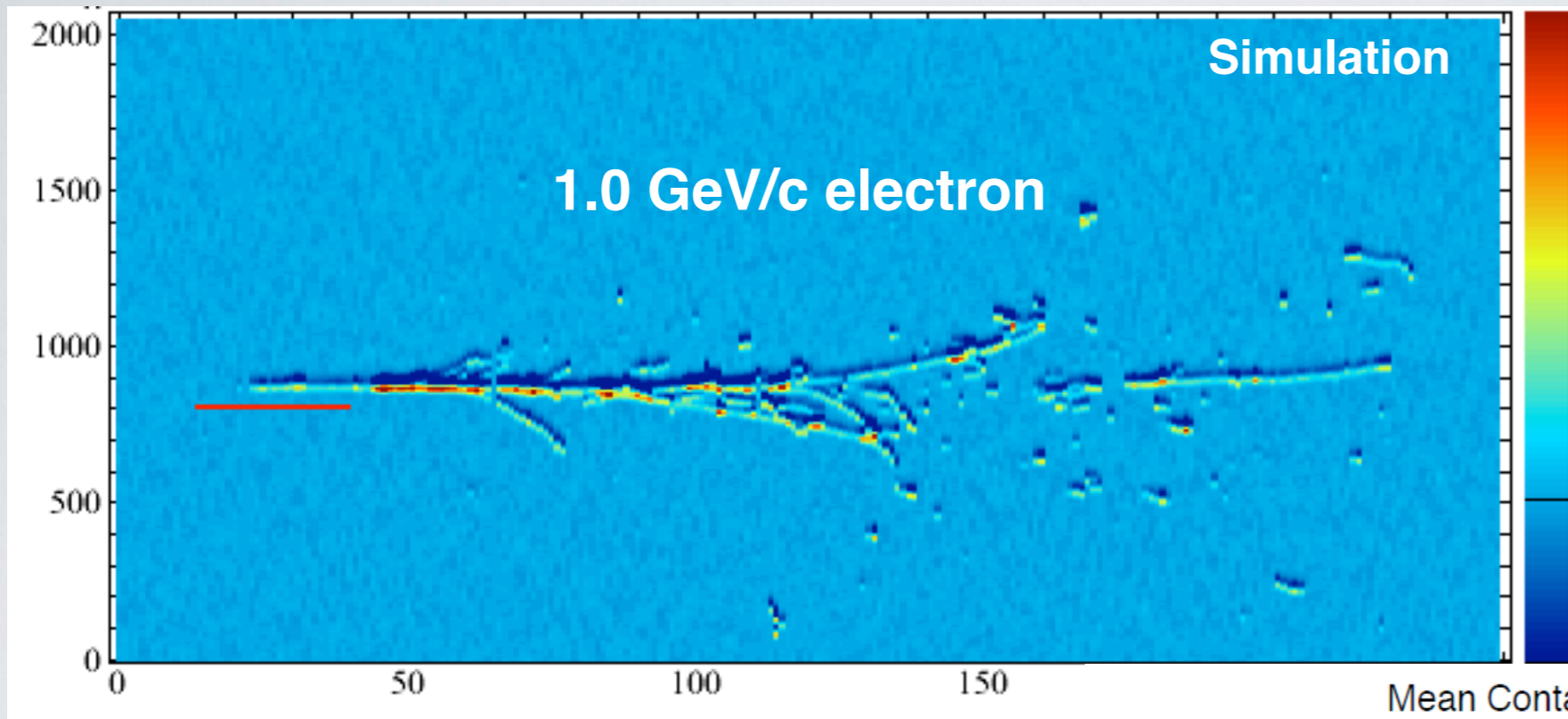
Antiproton Star Observed in Emulsion*

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ENERGY MEASUREMENTS

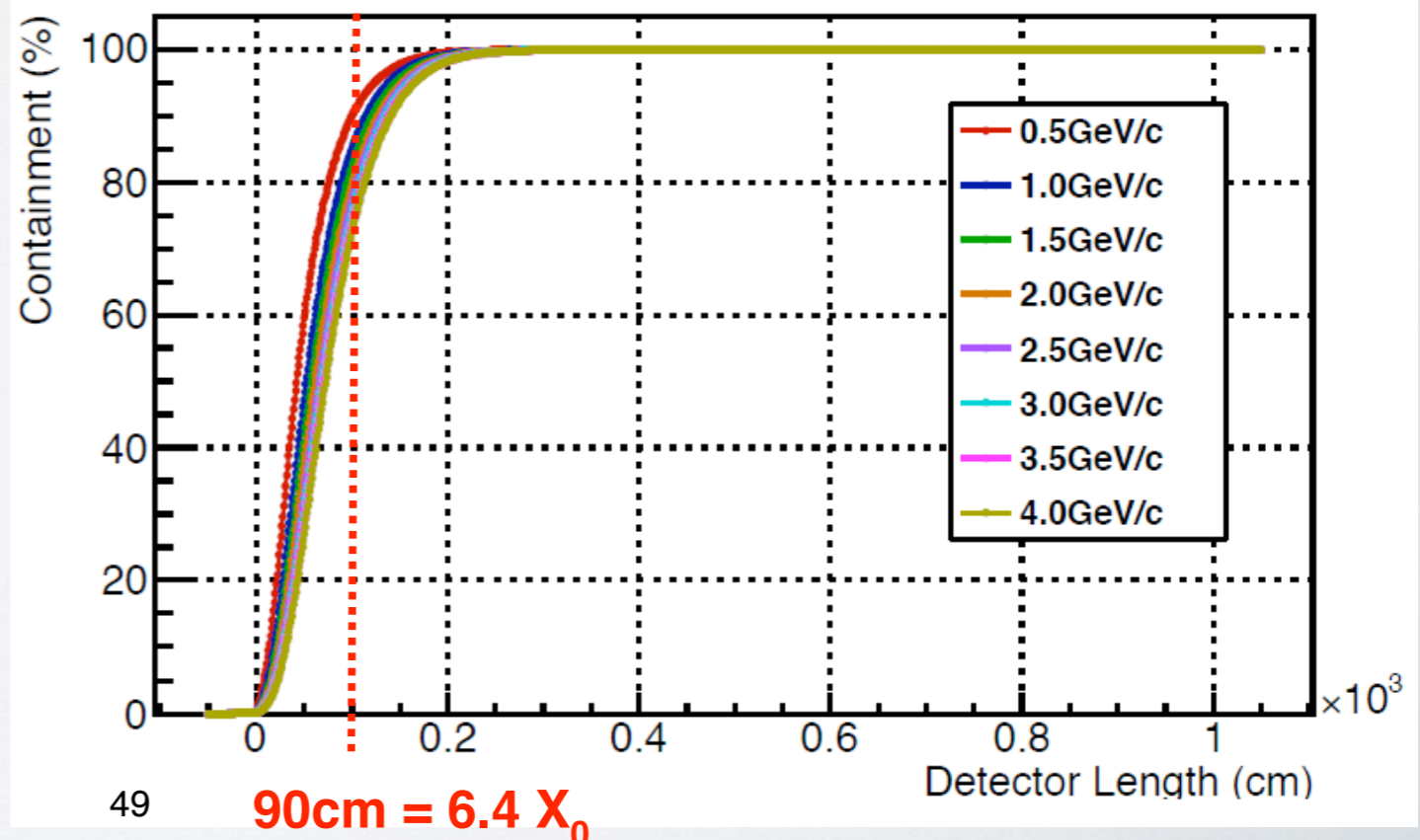


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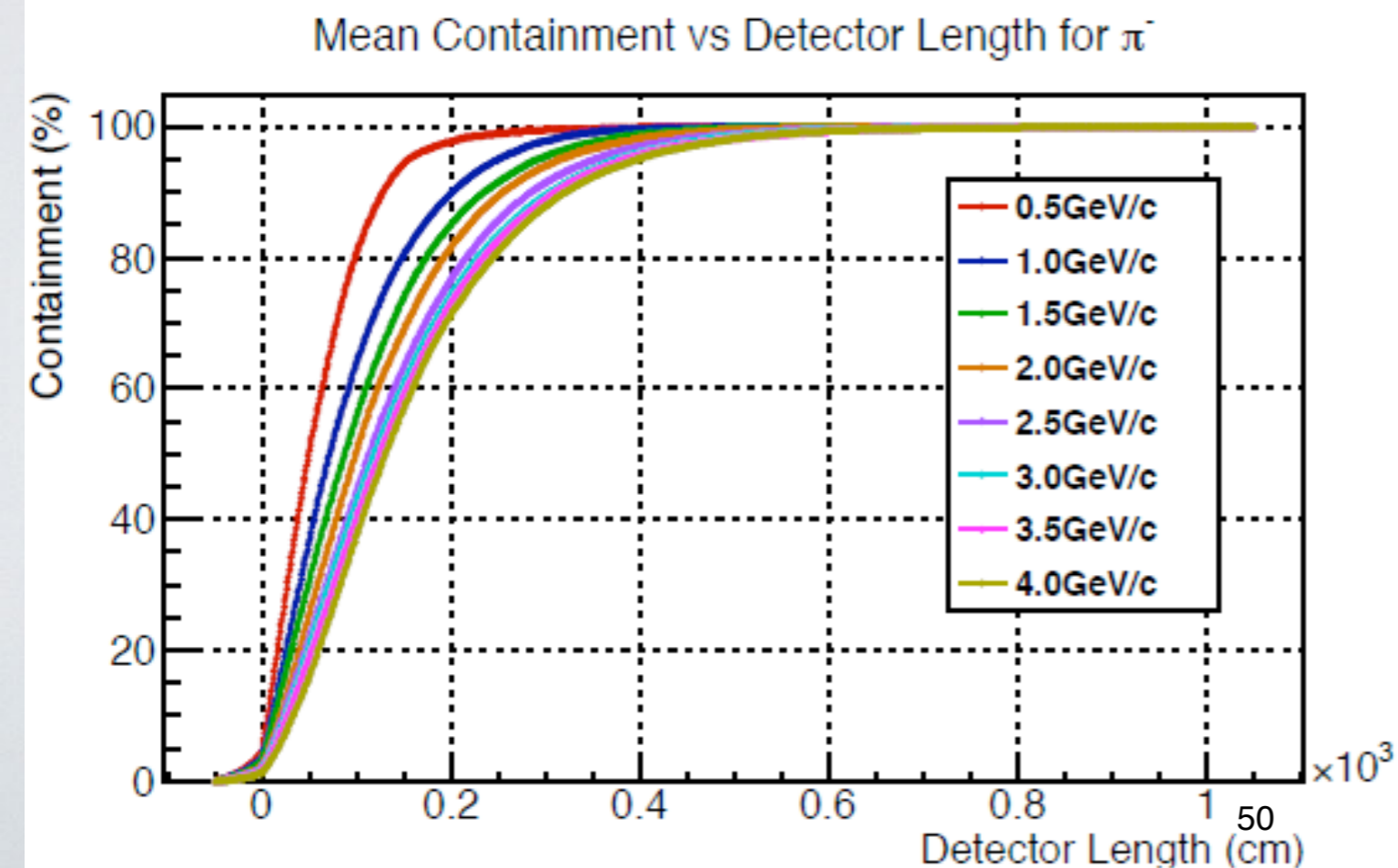
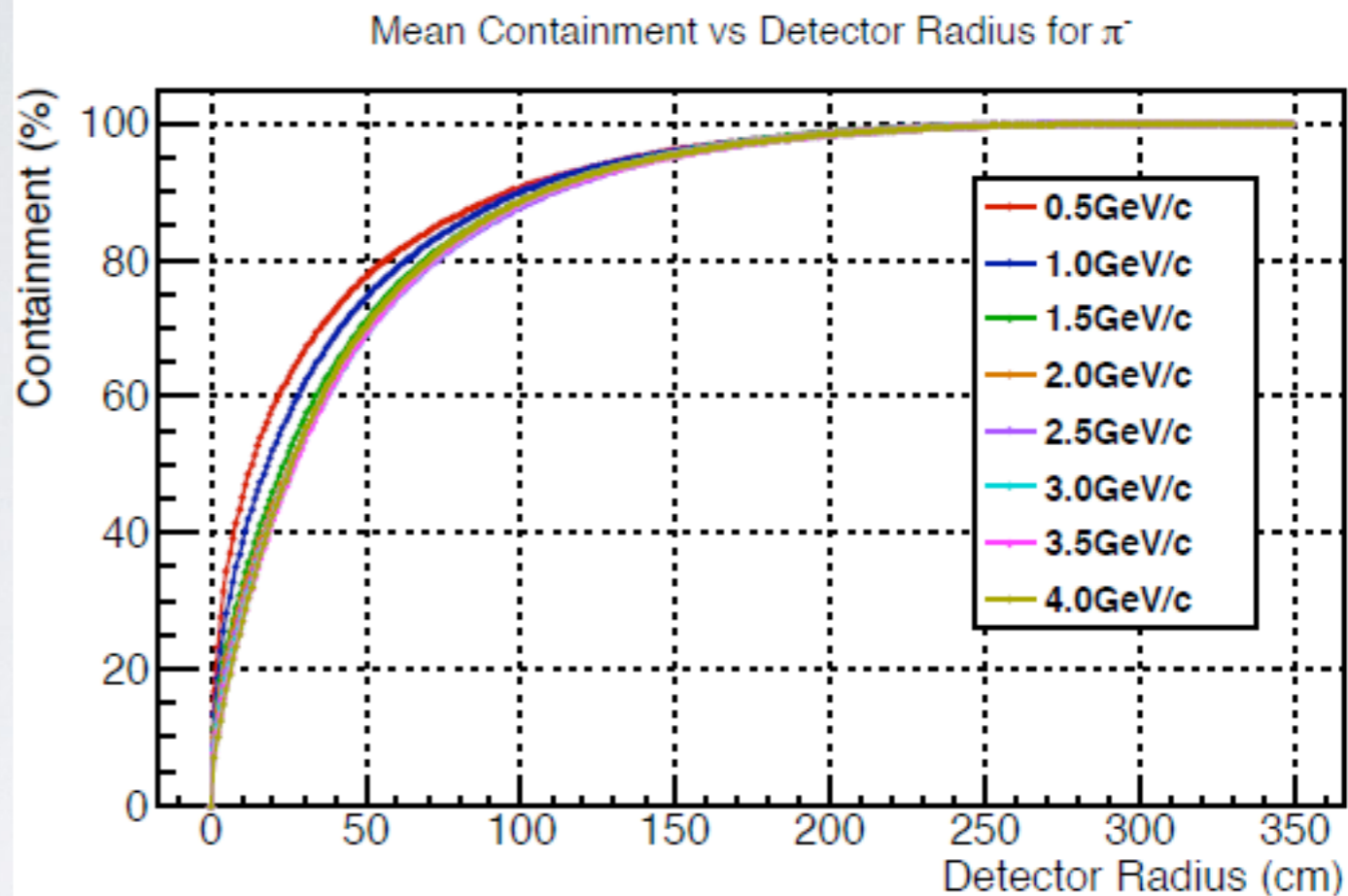
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Electrons

~85% containment in ~1 m of LAr
for el. momenta <1 GeV/c



PION CONTAINMENT

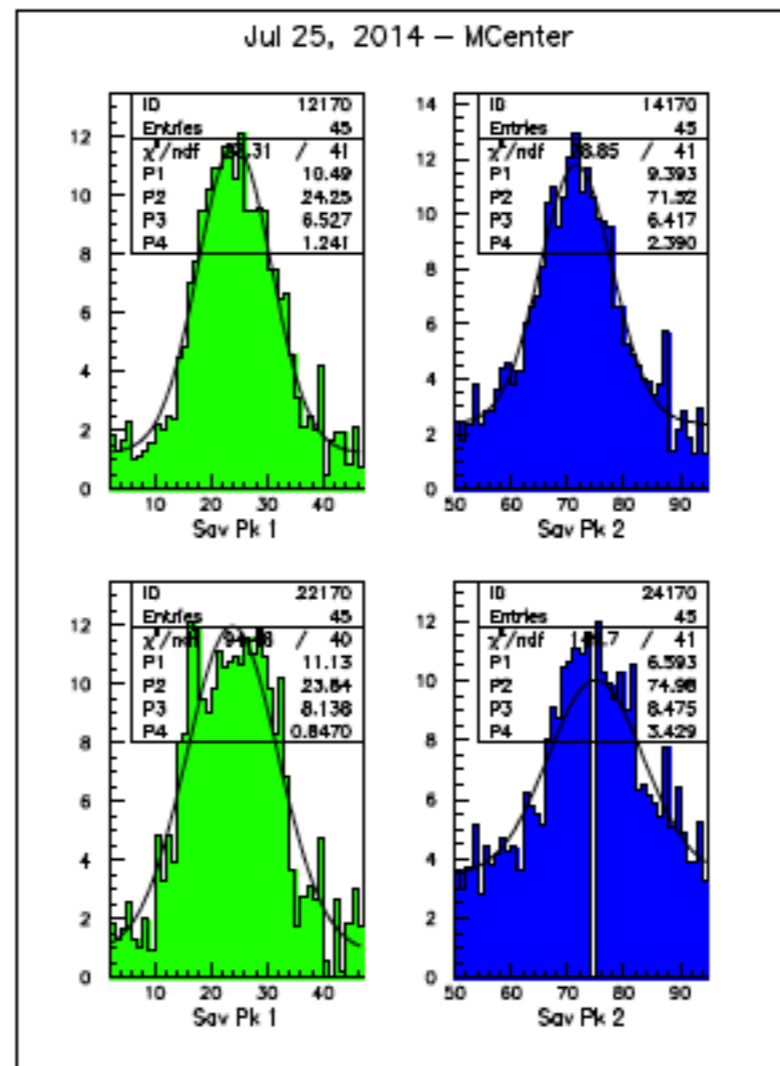
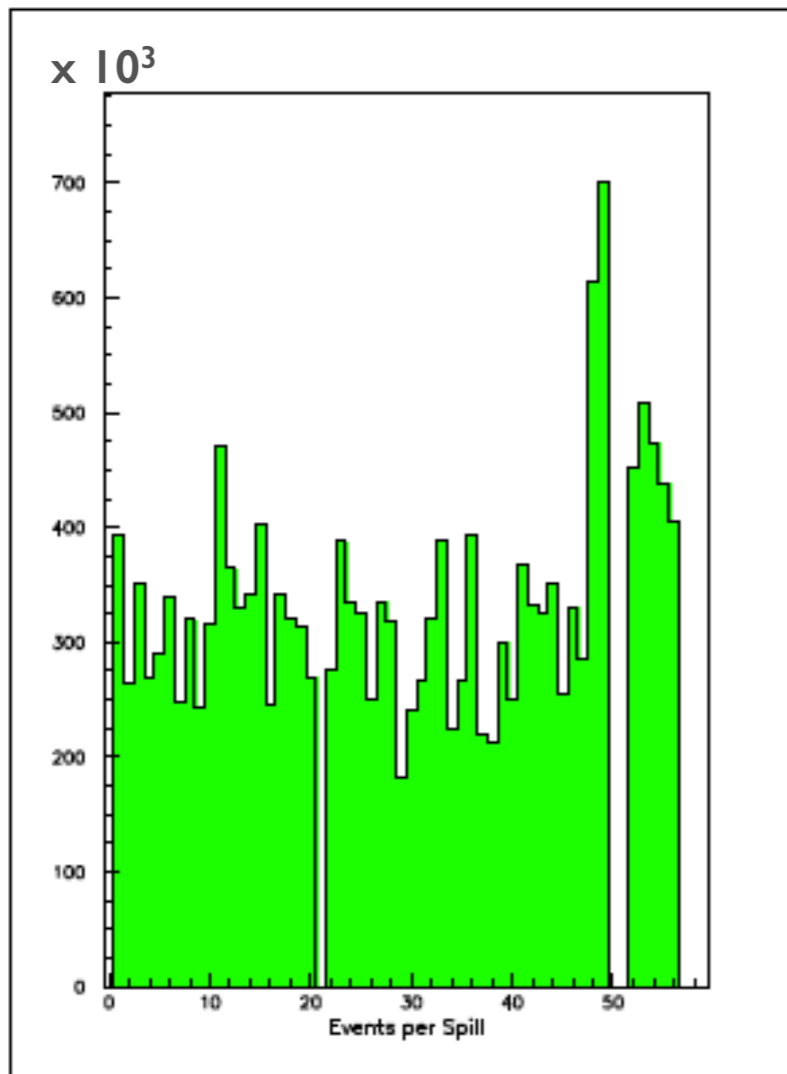


Beam commissioning

July-Sept. '14

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Secondary Beam intensity
(n.of pi/spill)



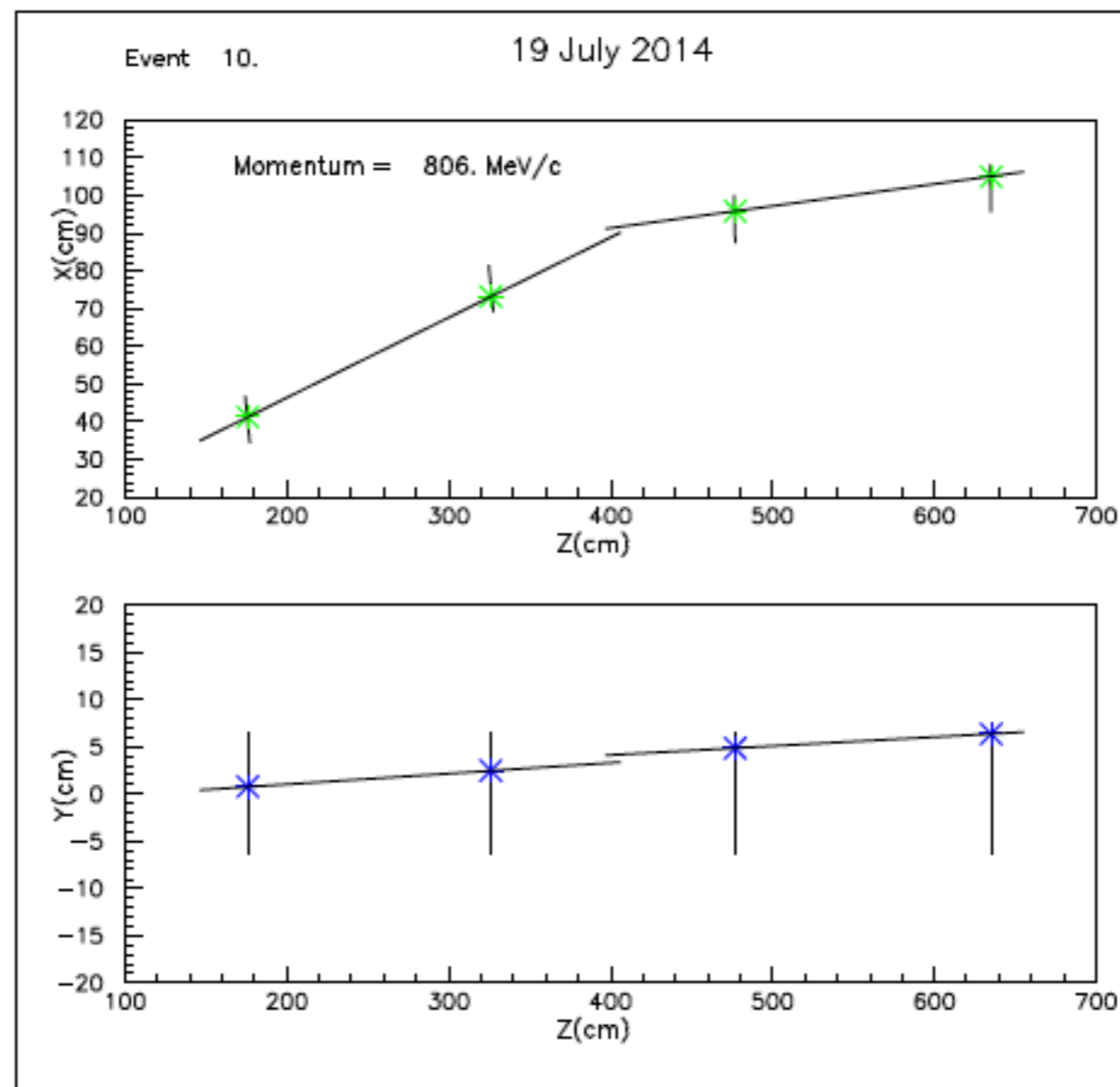
Secondary Beam
profile

- Secondary beam successfully commissioned, good beam up to 80 GeV energy!
- Data was collected before the shut down @ 8, 32 and 80 GeV energies with different magnet currents (20, 40, 50 and 100 A)
- Thanks to all the FTBF and Accelerator Division people who did an awesome job in refurbishing the beamline!

Beam data analysis

D. Jensen

(x,z) plane

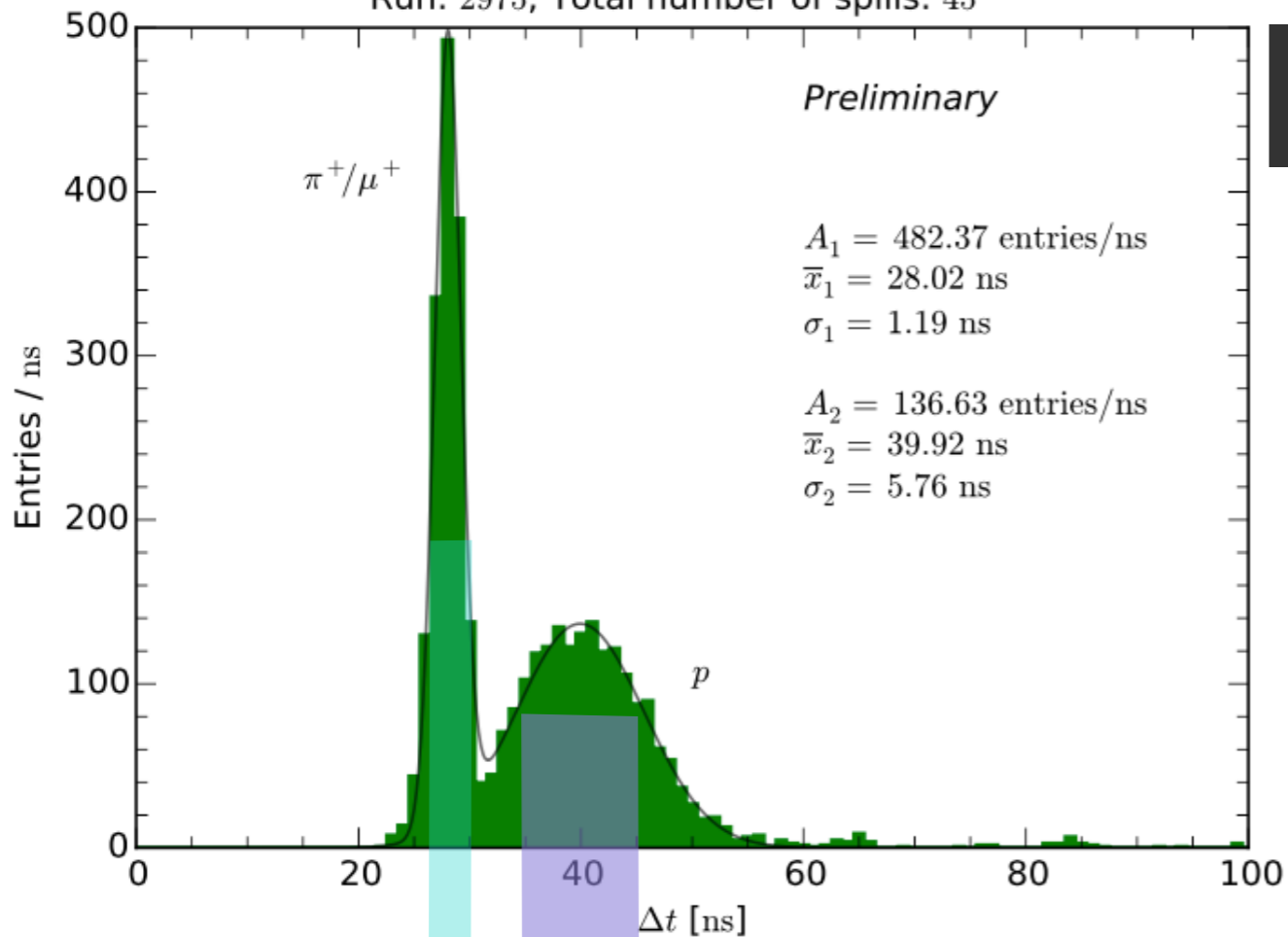


(y,z) plane

- Momentum resolution from vertical and horizontal angle distributions
 - @ 100 A → $\Delta p / p$ is 1.6 % LArIAT beam: Momentum Resolution
 - @ 40 A → $\Delta p / p$ is 3.4 %

$$\Delta p / p = dA_y / A_x$$

Δt between DSTOF and USTOF V1751 hits
Run: 2975; Total number of spills: 45



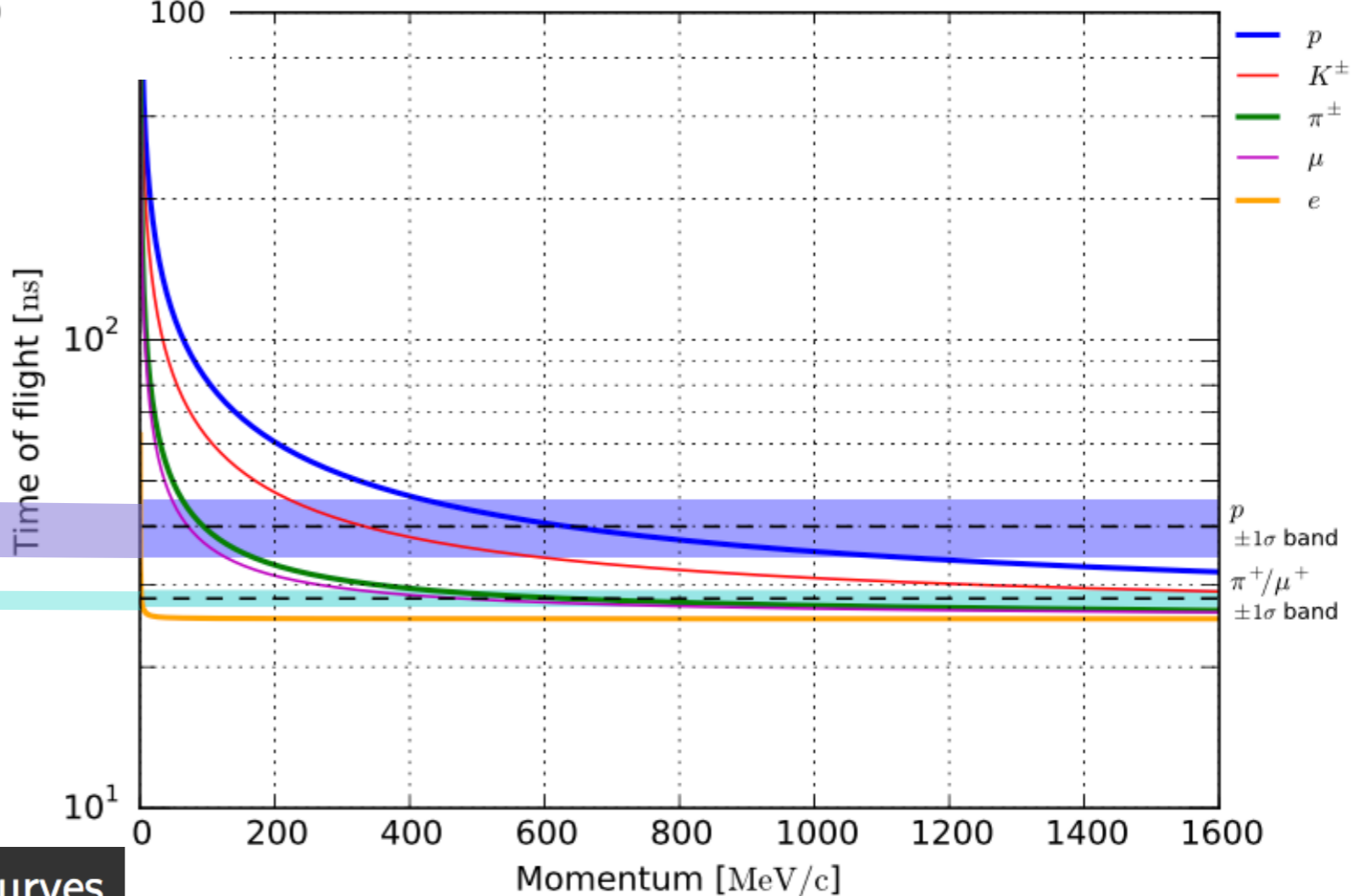
Time-of-flight distribution from data

LArIAT beam:
Ptcl. Identification by ToF

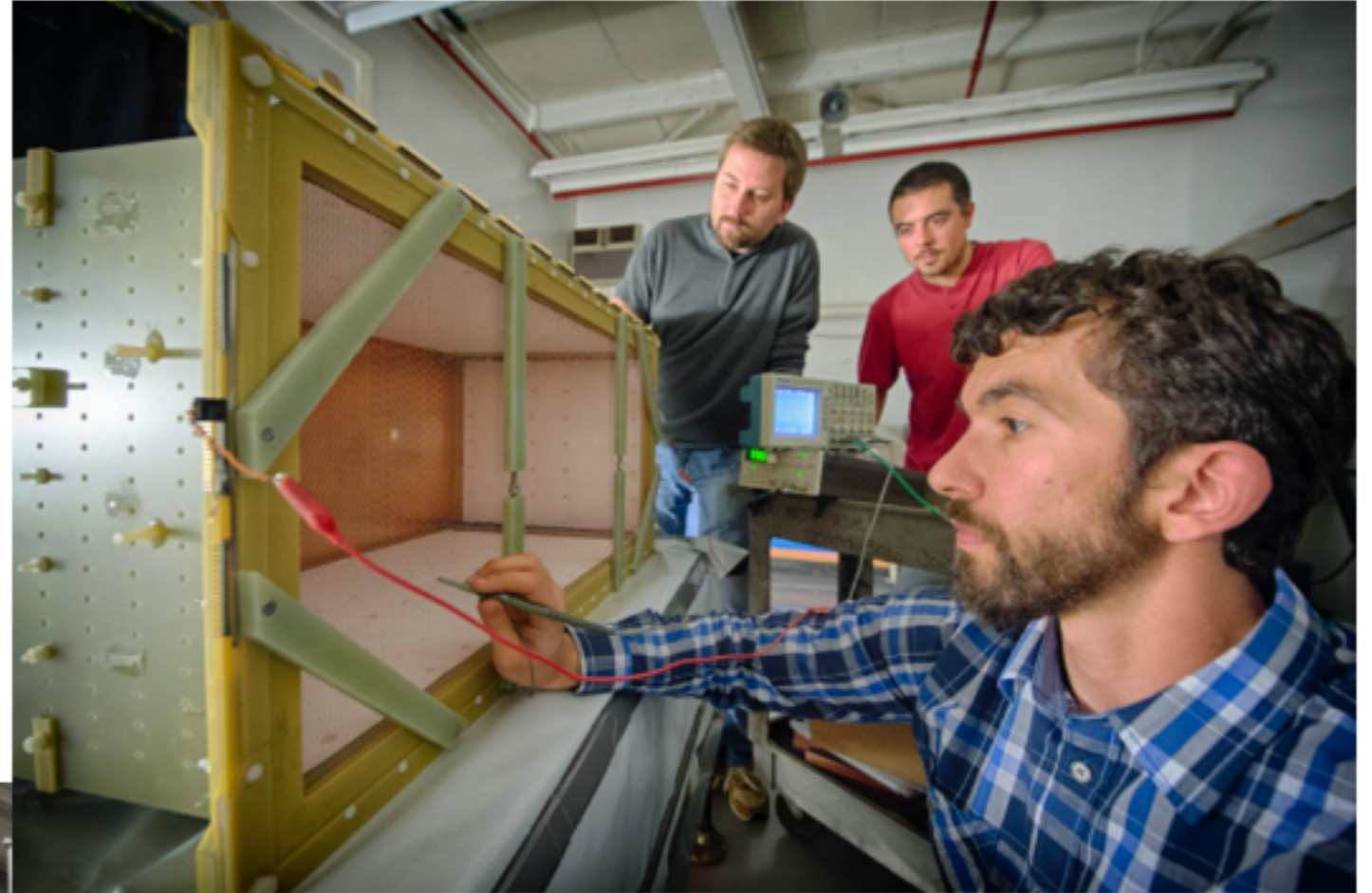
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Momentum vs. time of flight

$L = 7.6$ m



Theoretical momentum vs. time of flight curves



ArgoNeuT
becomes
LArIAT

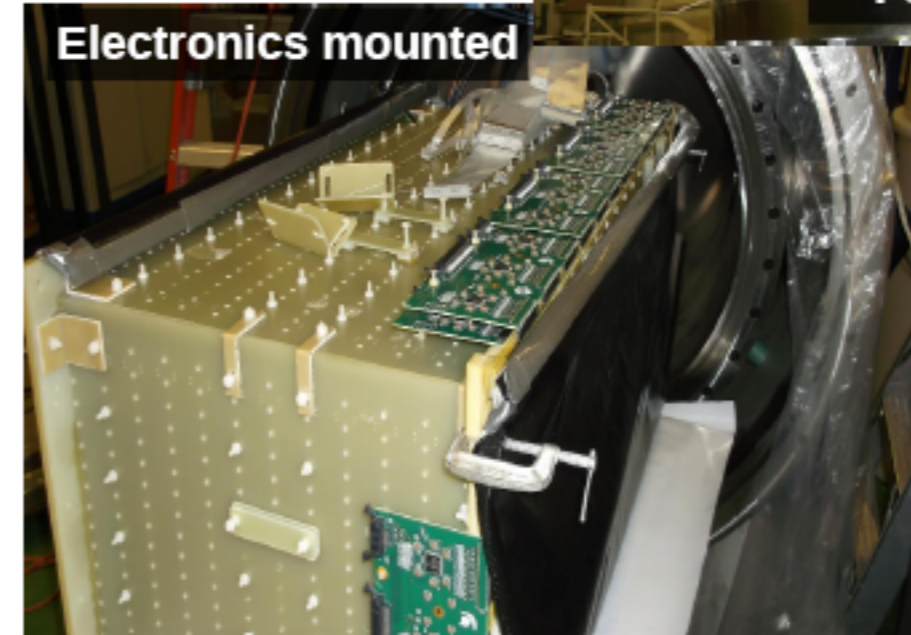
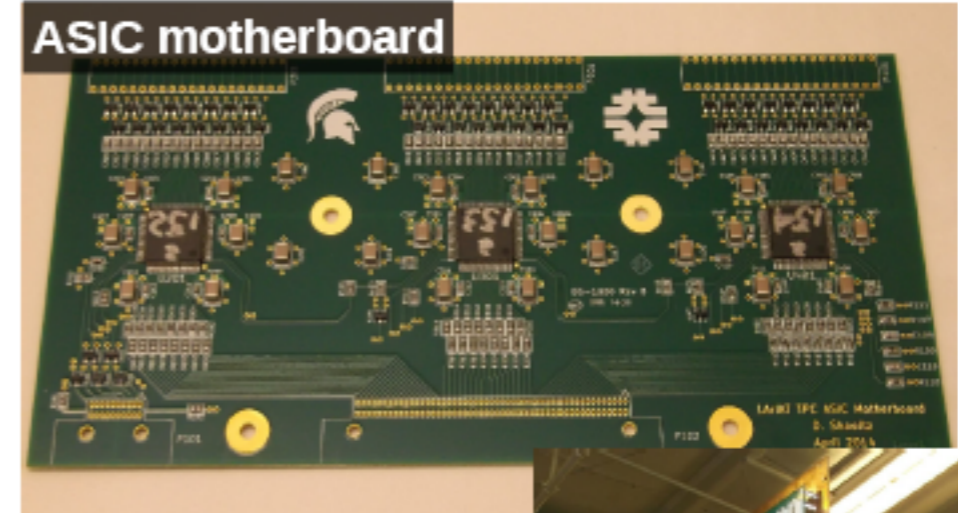
LArIAT front-end electronics

- **Features:**

- Custom new cold electronics
- 10x 48 channel ASIC cards (cold)
- 10x 48 channel receiver cards (warm)
- Differential to single-ended cards

- **Status:**

- ASIC cards and cryostat feed-through backplane have been manufactured, assembled, and mounted
- Cabling from inside the cryostat to feed-through done
- Tests done with liquid nitrogen
- Other elements in production / undergoing tests
- Tests after mounting show no dead channels found



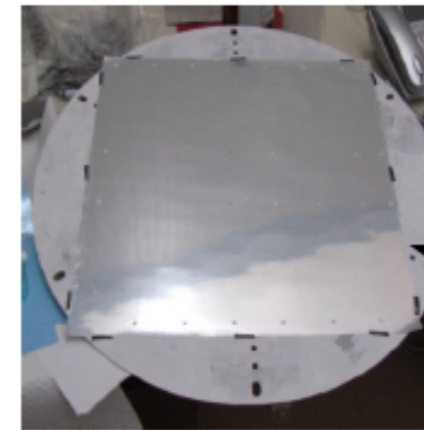
Light collection sys

- **Light collection system**

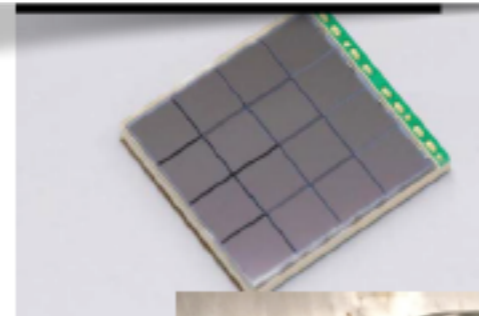
- 2 cryogenic PMTs: 2" ELT (QE 20%) and 3" Hamamatsu (high QE 30%)
- 2 Hamamatsu SiPMs (QE 50%)
- TPB wavelength shifting reflector foils

- **Status:**

- Side port added to the cryostat to accommodate the PMTs
- PMTs mount dry-fit test done
- Cryogenic PMTs tested and U. Chicago and Fermilab
- SiPMs bias voltage and pre-amplification circuits have been designed, built and tested



Applying TPB to the reflective foil that will line the inside of the LArIAT TPC

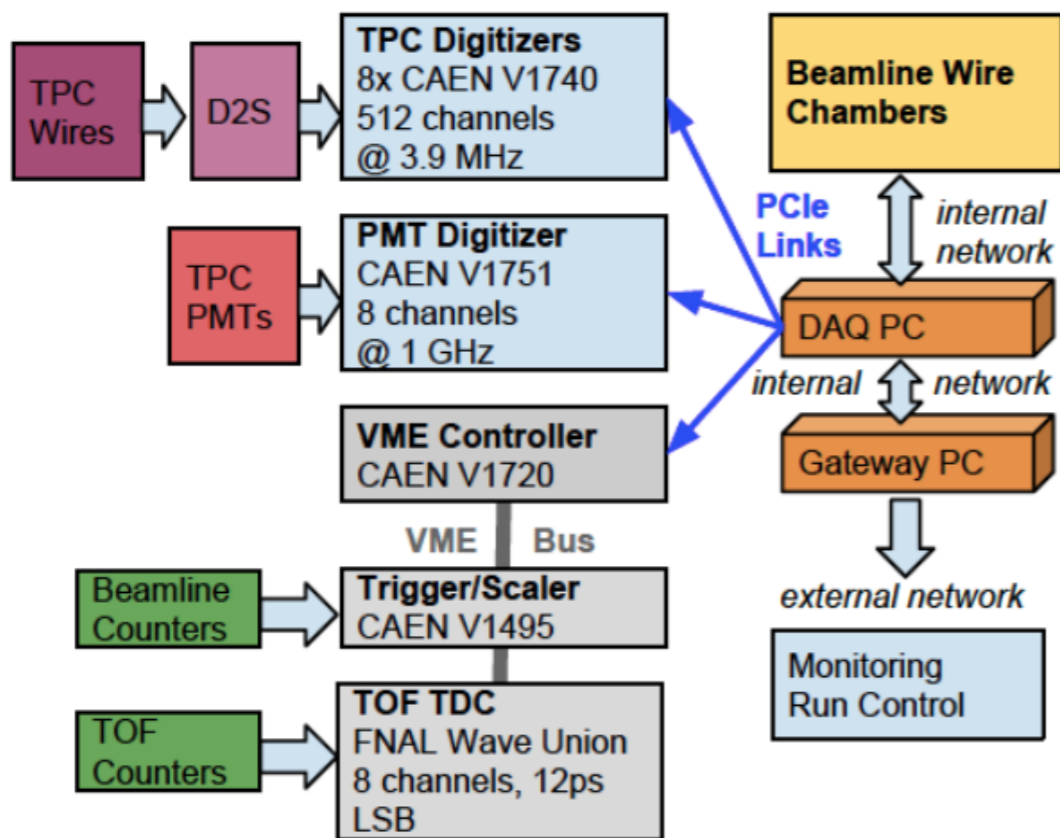
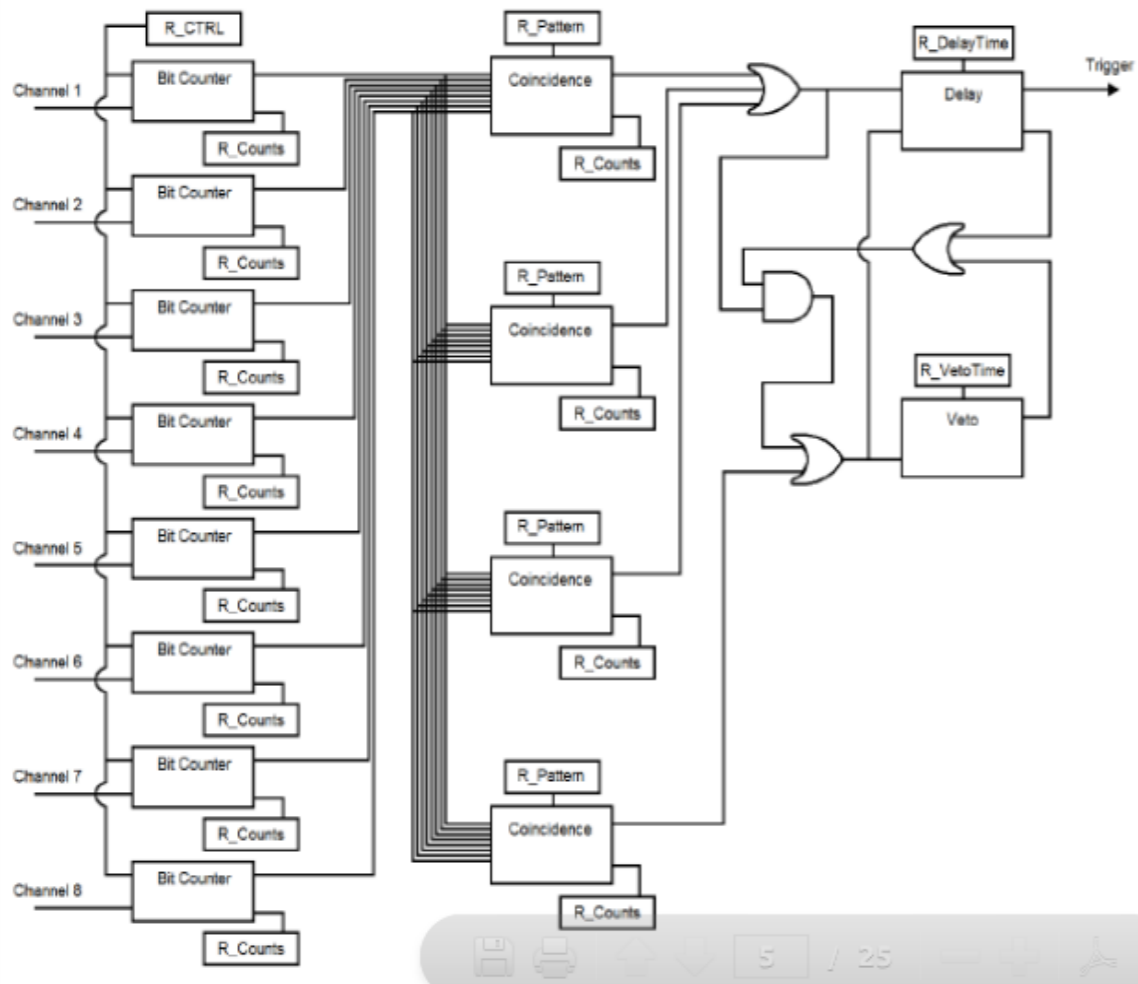


Cryogenic PMTs



Cryostat side port

Trigger System and DAQ

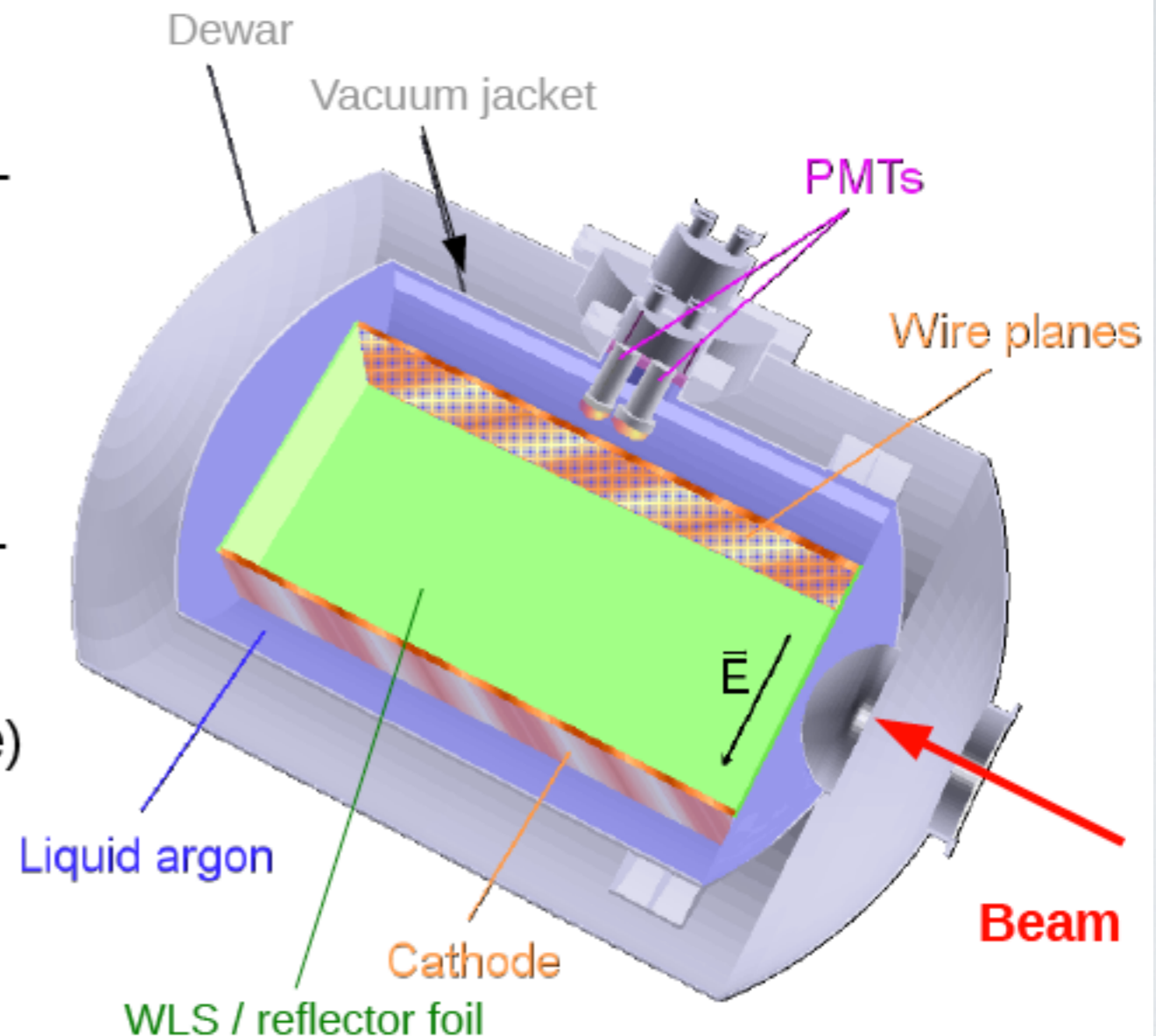


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LArIAT TPC / Cryostat Design

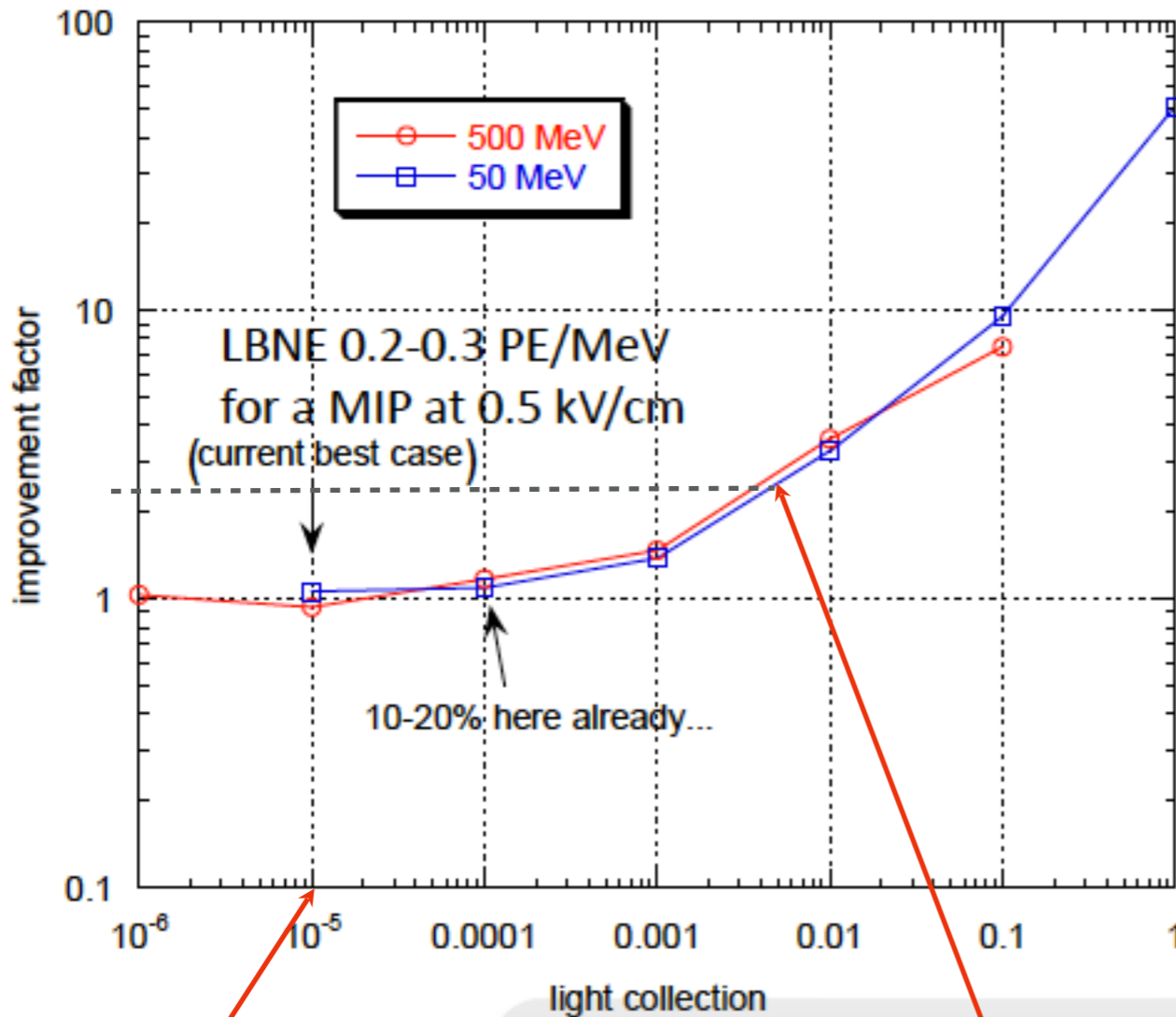
- Refurbished ArgoNeut TPC and cryostat.
- **Specifications:**
 - Modified cryostat (Ti beam window, PMT side port, LAr circulation bottom port)
 - Active volume: 175 L (550 L cryostat)
 - 90 cm x 40 cm x 47.5 (drift) cm TPC
 - 3 wire planes: 1 induction, 1 collection, 1 shield (4mm wire spacing, ~240 wires/plane)
 - Nominal electric field: 500 V/cm (tunable)
 - ~300 μ s max drift time
 - Scintillation light collection: 2 standard PMTs + 2 SiPM + wavelength shifting reflector foils
 - Cold readout electronics



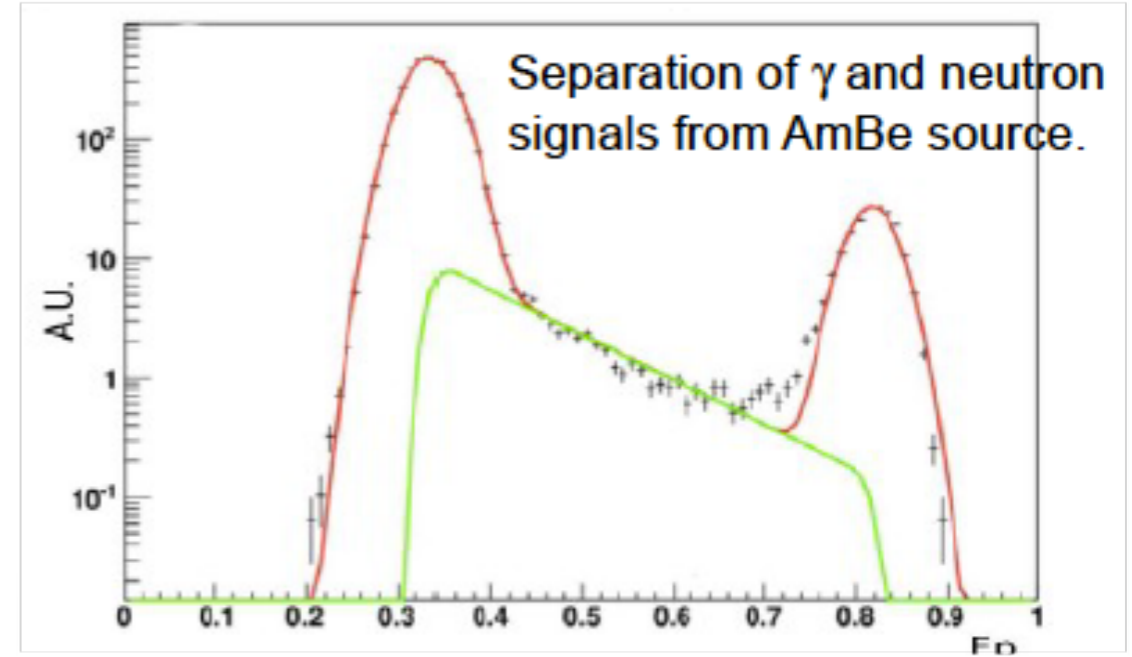
Energy Resolution

FNAL, Software Workshop, Thursday 3-21-13

Improvement in Energy Resolution with Use of Light



	LC (frac)	CY (%)	LY (%)	comb (%)	opt (%)	<- with	improv
500 MeV	1.00E-06	0.33	79.32	0	0.32	0.001	1.0313
	1.00E-05	0.31	9.07	3.28	0.33	0.1	0.93939
	1.00E-04	0.34	3.96	1.19	0.29	900	1.1724
	0.001	0.34	1.2	0.33	0.23	300	1.4783
	0.01	0.36	0.72	0.12	0.1	90	3.6
	0.1	0.27	0.48	0.037	0.036	11	7.5
50 MeV	1.00E-06	0.98	100				
	1.00E-05	1.21	29.01	10.96	1.14	0	1.0614
	1.00E-04	1.01	9.95	3.51	0.92	900	1.0978
	0.001	0.93	3.8	1.11	0.67	300	1.3881
	0.01	1.11	2.39	0.37	0.34	90	3.2647
	0.1	1.05	2.18	0.11	0.11	10	9.5455
	1	0.97	1.91	0.019	0.019	1	51.053

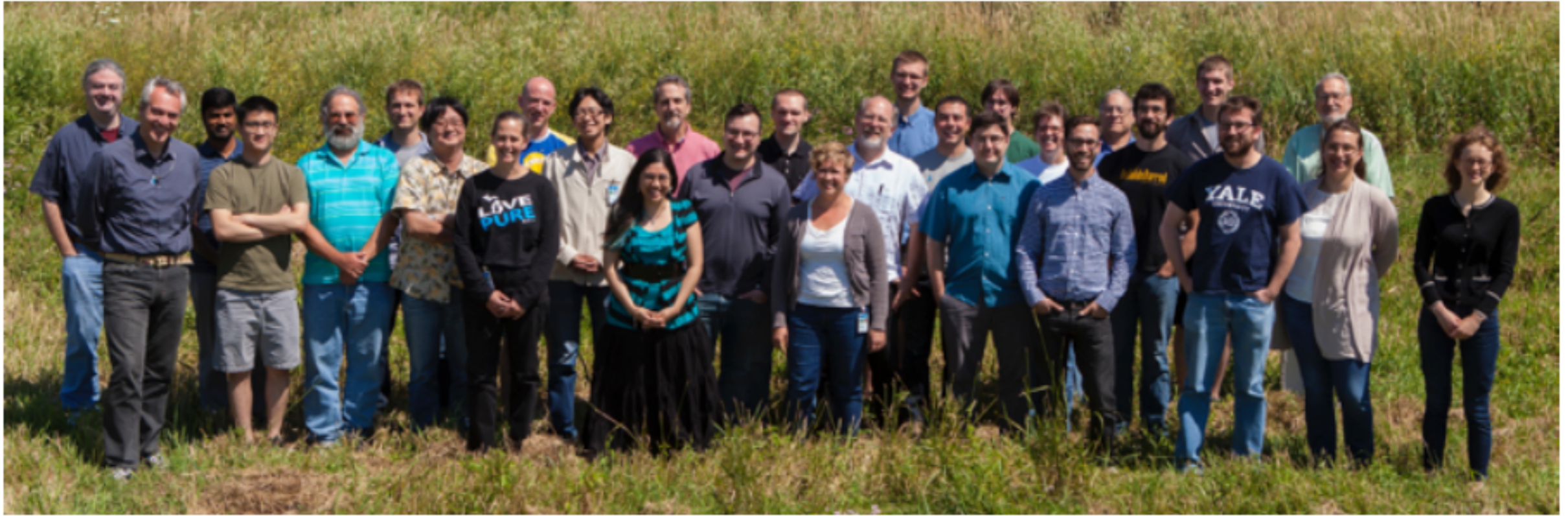


0.2 PE/MeV \approx 10 ppm of the available light

\sim 100 PE/MeV \approx 1% of the available light

\Rightarrow factor >2 improvement in energy resolution

The LArIAT Collaboration



- Broad community interest in LArIAT:
 - 20 institutions; 16 US, 3 UK, 1 Japanese
 - 66 collaborators; 11 gradstudents, 8 postdocs, 48 senior scientists
 - Perfect opportunity for students and postdocs to build and run an experiment
 - Drawing foreign institutions into collaborations and can be seen as a gateway to US neutrino program

LArIAT: Liquid Argon In A Testbeam

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June, 2014

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Liquid Argon Time Projection Chambers (LArTPCs) are ideal detectors for precision neutrino physics. These detectors, when located deep underground, can also be used for measurements of proton decay, and astrophysical neutrinos. The technology must be completely developed, up to very large mass scales, and fully mastered to construct and operate these detectors for this physics program. As part of an integrated plan of developing these detectors, accurate measurements in LArTPC of known particle species in the relevant energy ranges are now deemed as necessary. The LArIAT program aims to directly achieve these goals by deploying LArTPC detectors in a dedicated calibration test beam line at Fermilab. The set of measurements envisaged here are significant for both the short-baseline (SBN) and long-baseline (LBN) neutrino oscillation programs in the US, starting with MicroBooNE in the near term and with the adjoint near and far liquid argon detectors in the Booster beam line at Fermilab envisioned in the mid-term, and moving towards deep underground physics such as with the long-baseline neutrino facility (LBNF) in the long term.

Introduction

The LArTPC detector with its full 3D-imaging, excellent particle identification (PID) capability and precise calorimetric energy reconstruction represents the most advanced experimental technology for neutrino physics. The LArTPC technology is also recognized as a powerful tool in searches for

1st LArIAT Collaboration Meeting (> 45 attendees) 7/10-7/11 FERMILAB

Thursday
July 10, 2014

Invited Talks from OUTSIDE LArIAT

Time Slot

Afternoon Session

- 1) The new MCentral beam line: history, plans, perspectives - **FTBF Team [JJ Schmidt]**
- 2) Experience from T32 [T. Maruyame]
- 3) Expectations for LArIAT contributions to GEANT4 MC - **GEANT4 Team [H. Wenzel]**
- 4) Expectations for LArIAT contributions to GENIE MC - **GENIE Team [S. Dytman]**
- 5) Perspectives from an augmented Scintillation Light Detection system - **external [M. Sorel]**
- 6) CAPTAIN: perspectives from neutron Test Beam - **CAPTAIN Coll. [R. Van der Water]**
- 7) LBNE and LArIAT, from the LBNE standpoint - **LBNE Coll. [Z. Djurcic]**
- 8) Expectations from **LAr TestBeam at CERN [M. Nessi]**

2:00 pm
4:30 pm

Friday
July 11, 2014

Status of the Experimental Set-up

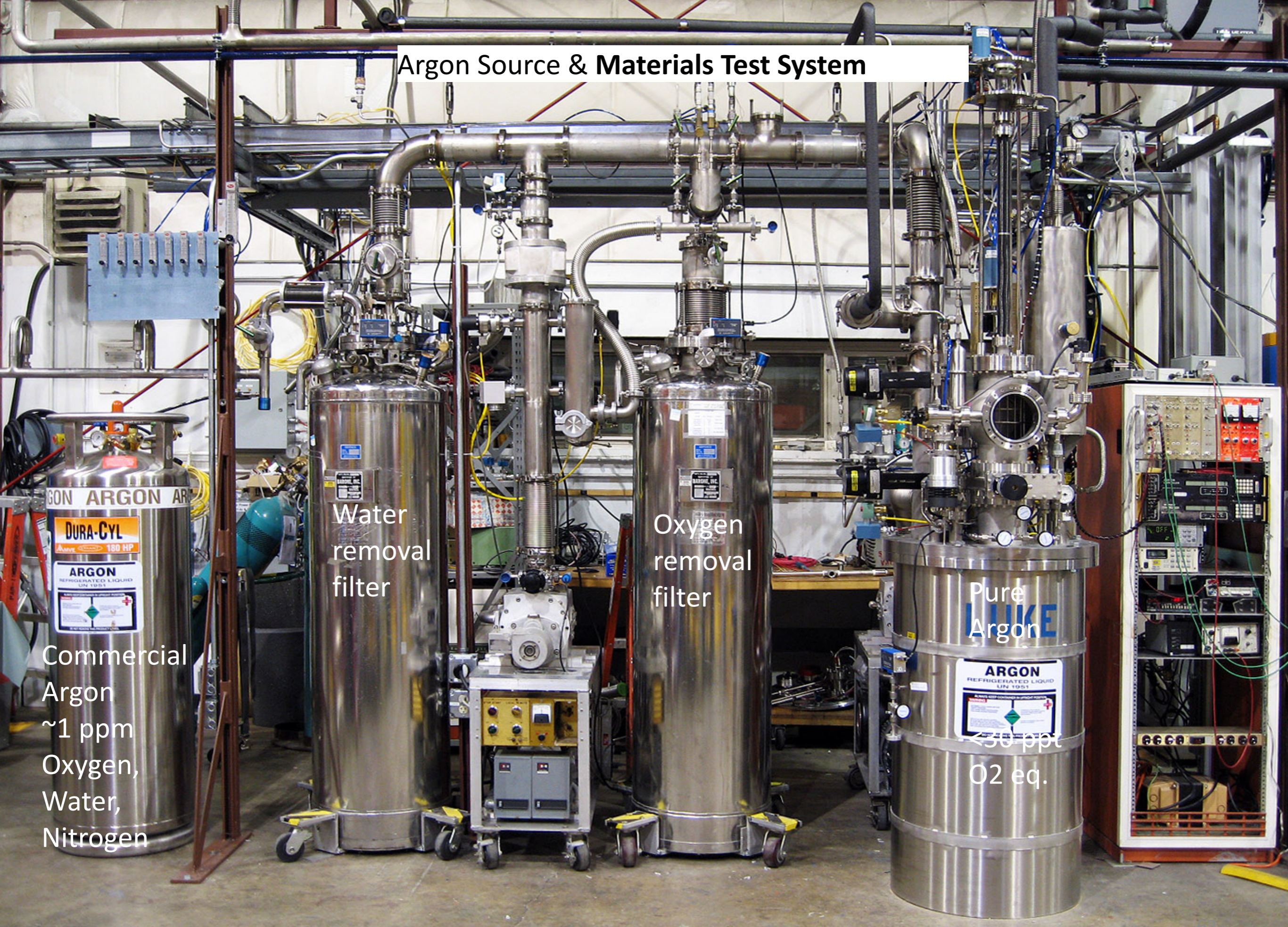
Time Slot

Morning & Afternoon
Soc:DMT / DDQ

20 talks from the LArIAT Collaboration

6:00 pm
8:45 am
6:30 pm

Argon Source & Materials Test System



Commercial Argon
~1 ppm Oxygen, Water, Nitrogen

Water removal filter

Oxygen removal filter

Pure Argon
 $< 30 \text{ ppt O}_2 \text{ eq.}$

Liquid Argon Purity Demonstration

All existing LArTPC detectors have been evacuated before filling. Probably not practical for kiloton detectors

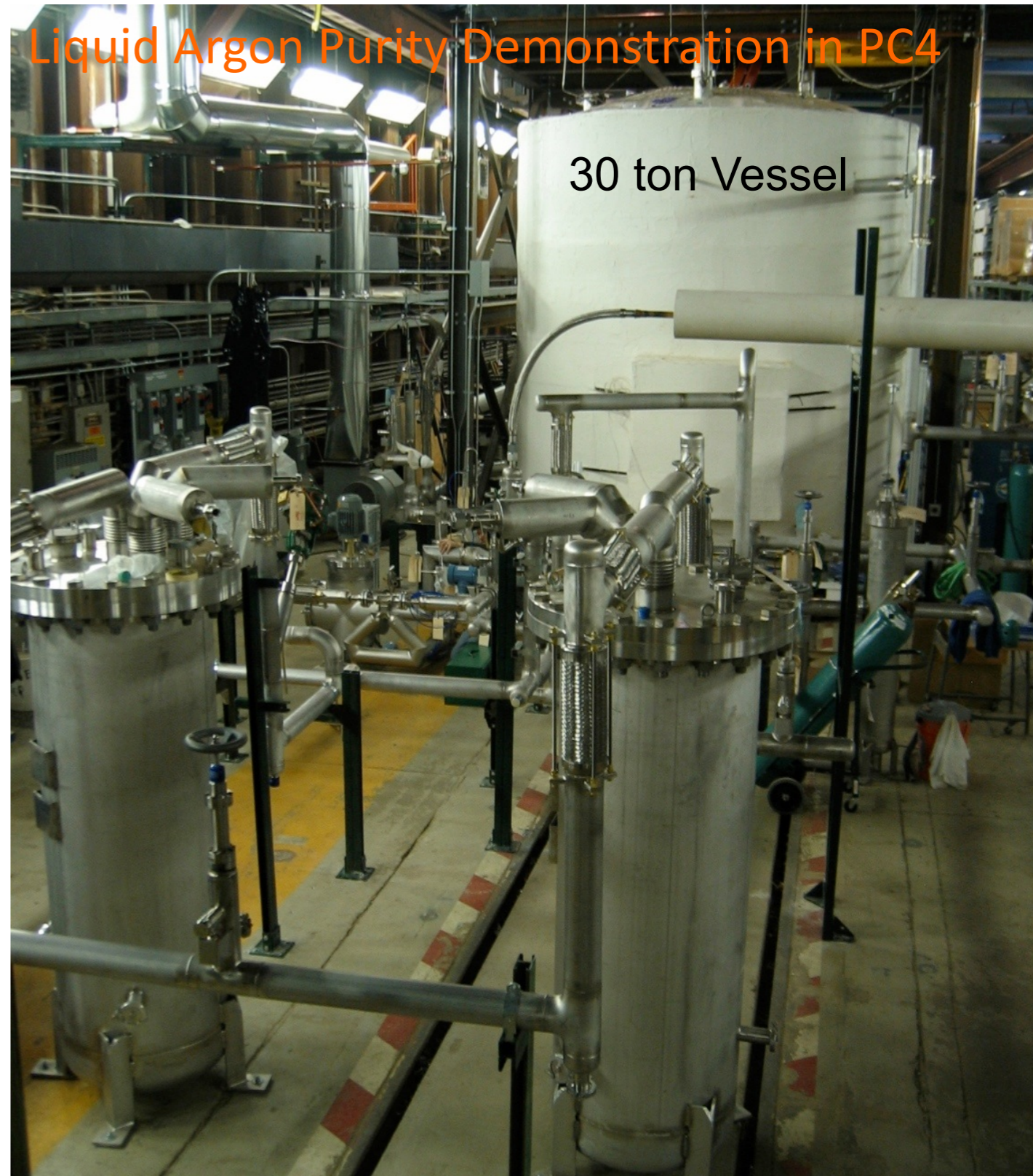
Goal: Demonstrate good life-time in an industrial vessel without evacuation.

First multi-ton purification system designed and built at Fermilab.

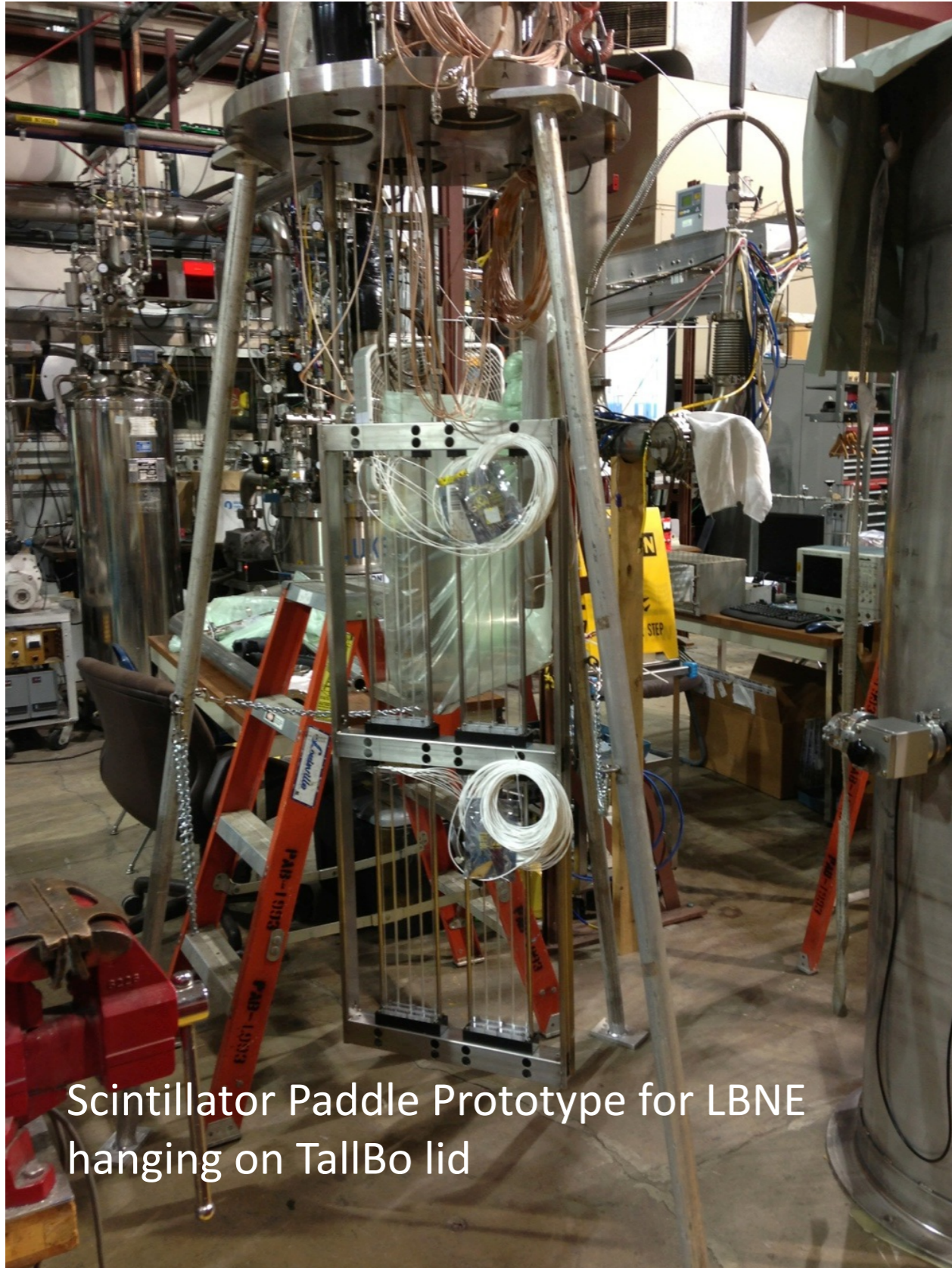
Stage 1 – bare tank & Instrumentation

- Sniffers for evolution of gas purge
- Analyzers – for O₂, N₂, and H₂O levels
- RTDs – for temperature (gradients)
- Purity Monitors - for drift-lifetime

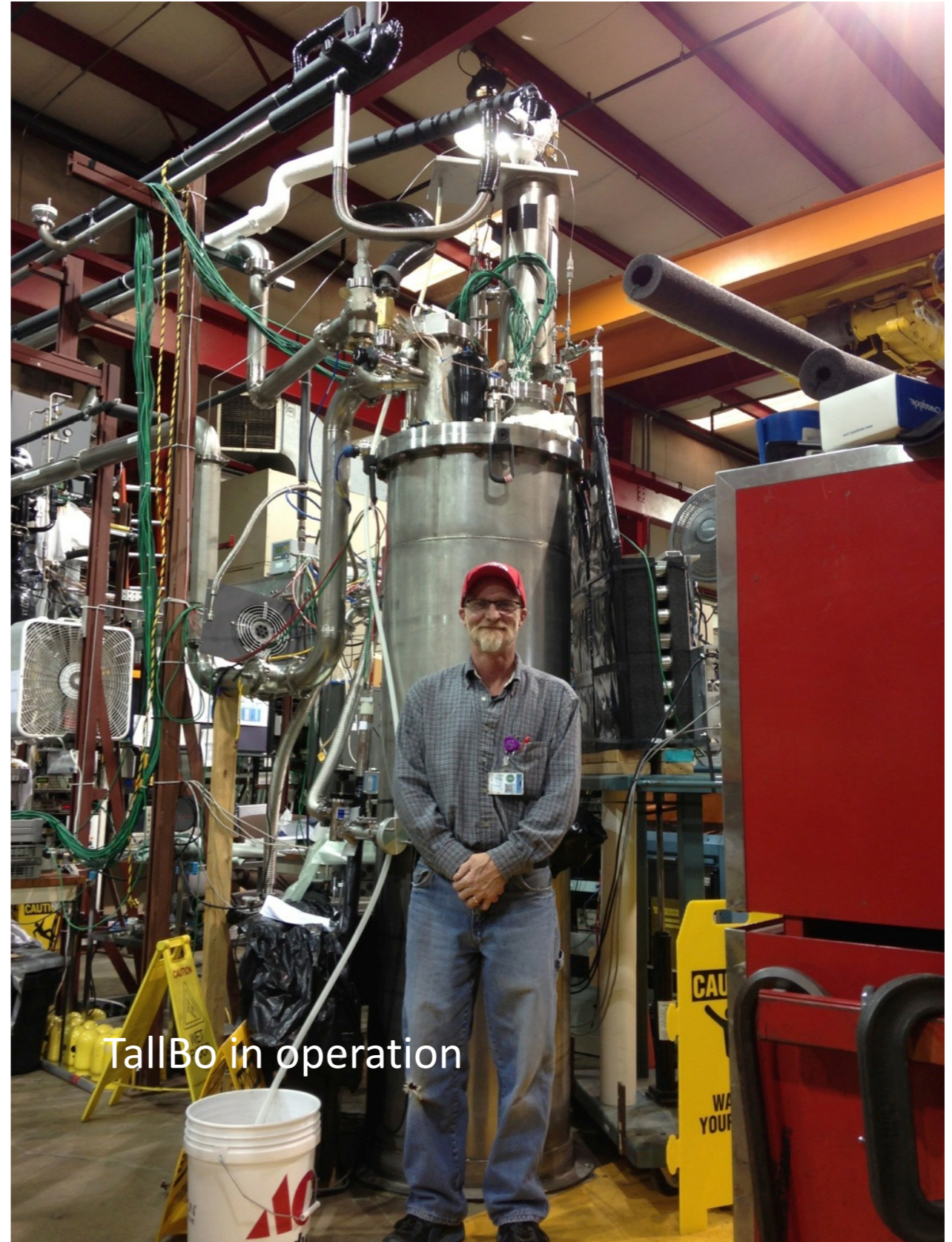
Stage 2 – Operation with long TPC (LongBo)



Light Detection R & D in new 80 inch cryostat, TallBo



Scintillator Paddle Prototype for LBNE hanging on TallBo lid



TallBo in operation