

Status of the Short-Baseline Near Detector [SBND] at Fermilab

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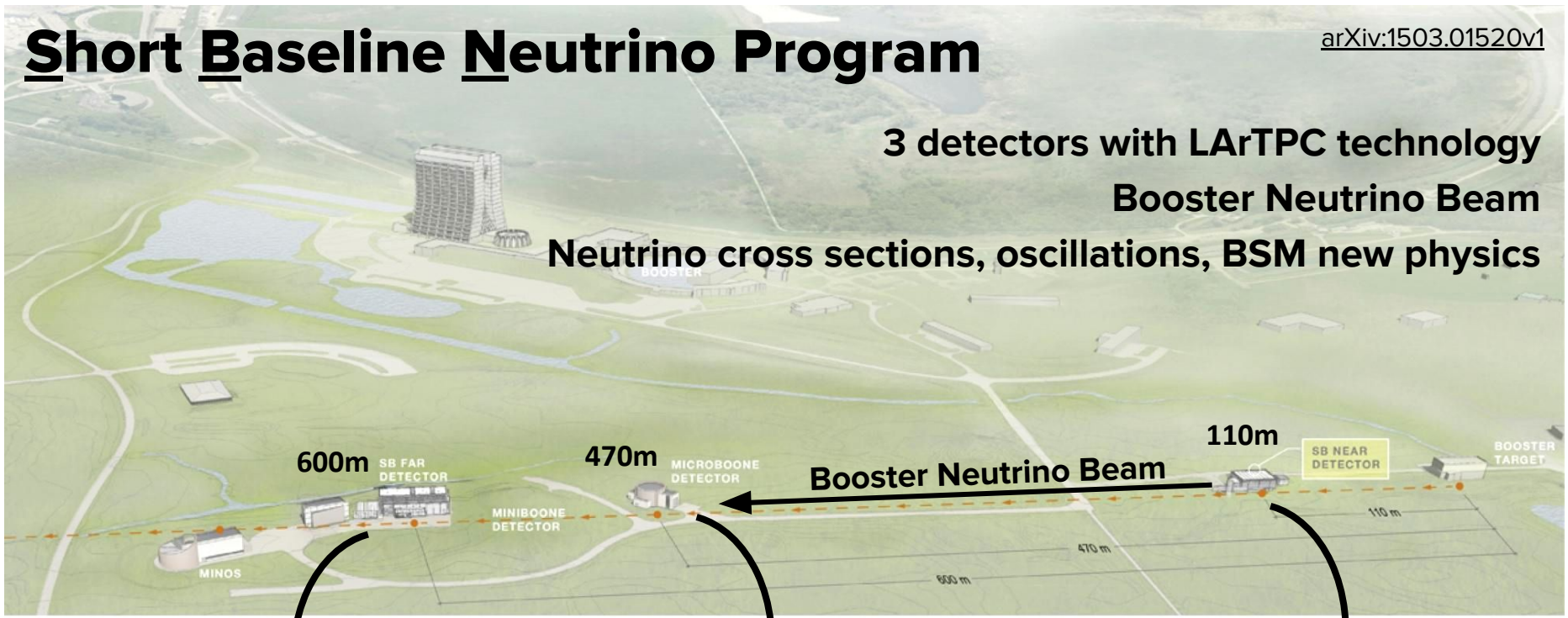
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One SBND TPC, with anode wire planes on the left and cathode plane on the right.

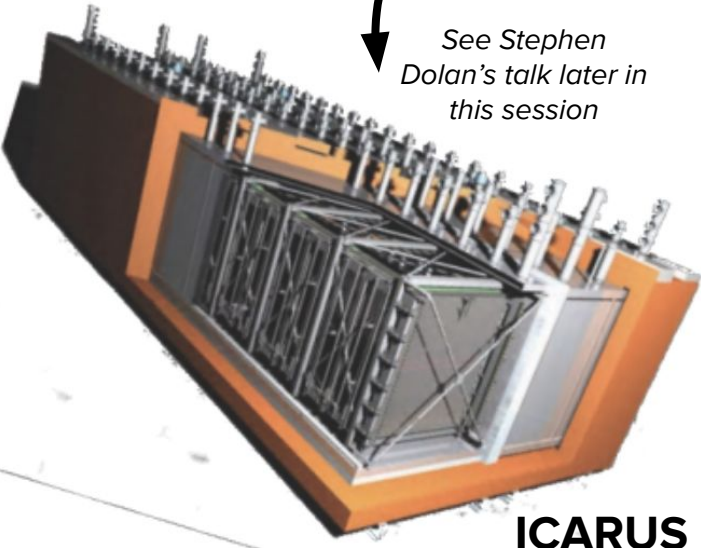
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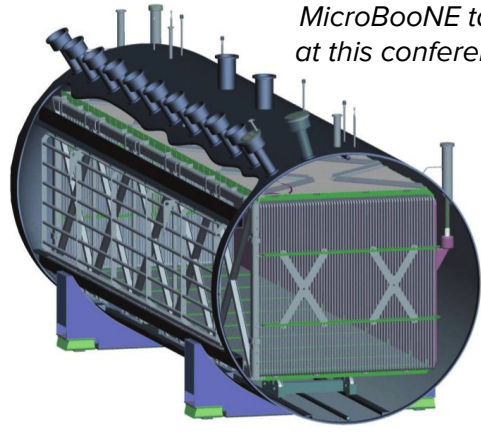


See Stephen Dolan's talk later in this session

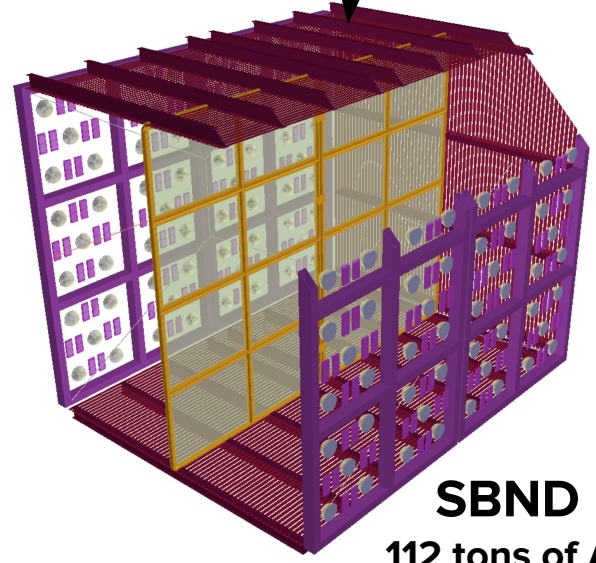
See the seven MicroBooNE talks at this conference!



ICARUS
476 tons of Ar



MicroBooNE
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SBND
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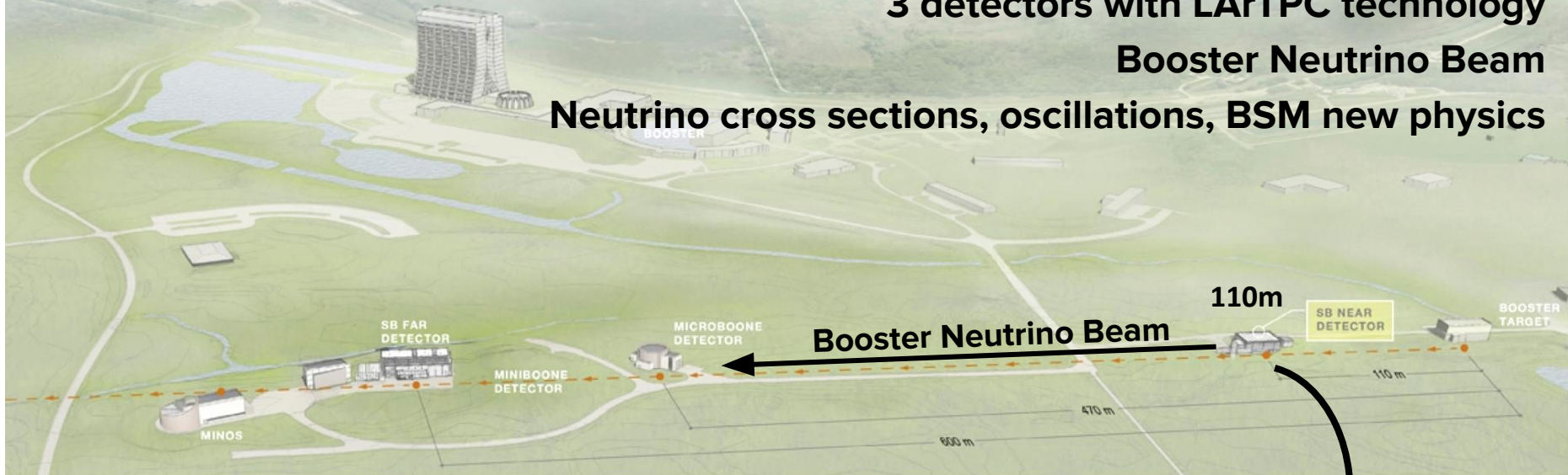


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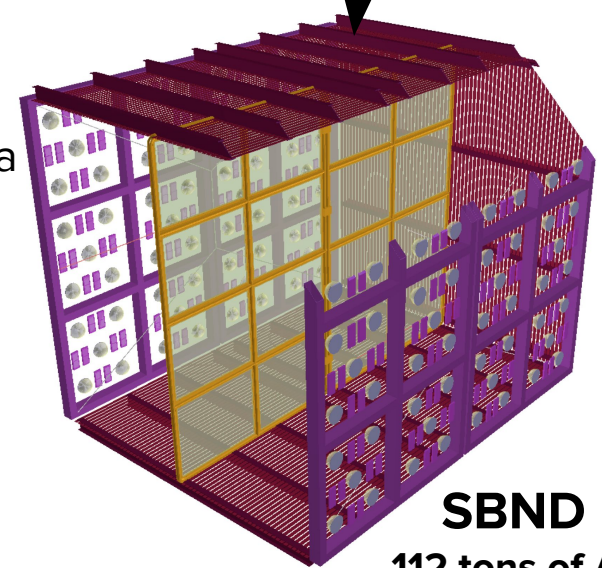
Last LArTPC to begin operating before DUNE

=> last prototype for various design elements, operations, data reconstruction, etc.

The **near detector** of the SBN program [110 m from target].

High-intensity neutrino beam + proximity to target

=> **large statistics of neutrino-argon interactions, off axis fluxes.**



SBND

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Start of operations planned for **2023**.



The Booster Neutrino Beam @ SBND

Beam Composition:

$\nu_\mu = 93.6\%$
 $\bar{\nu}_\mu = 5.9\%$
 $\nu_e + \bar{\nu}_e = 0.5\%$

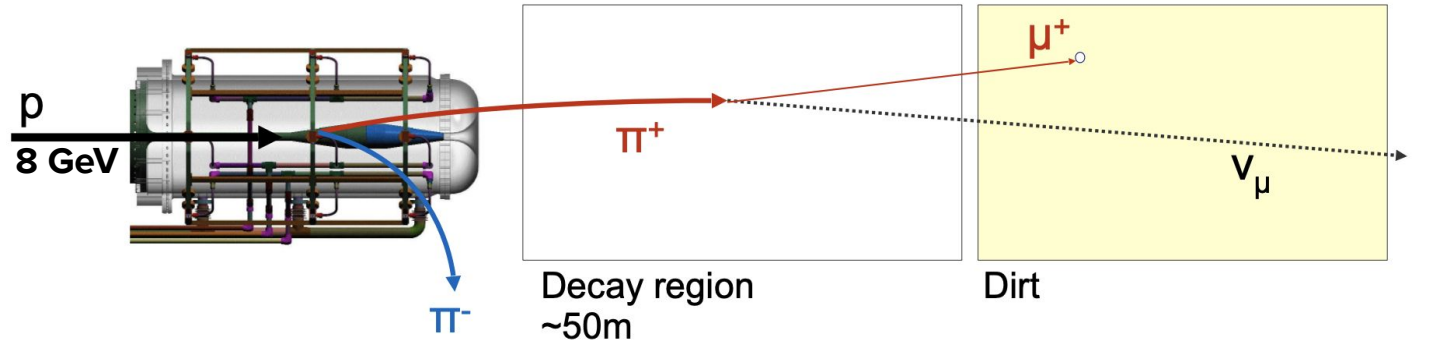
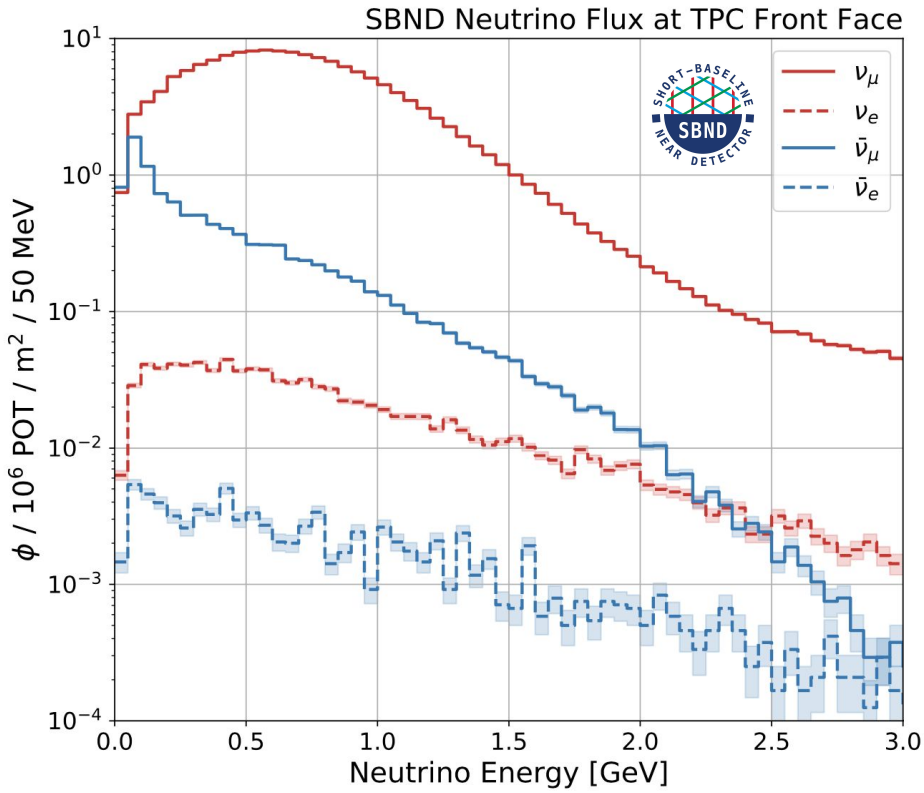
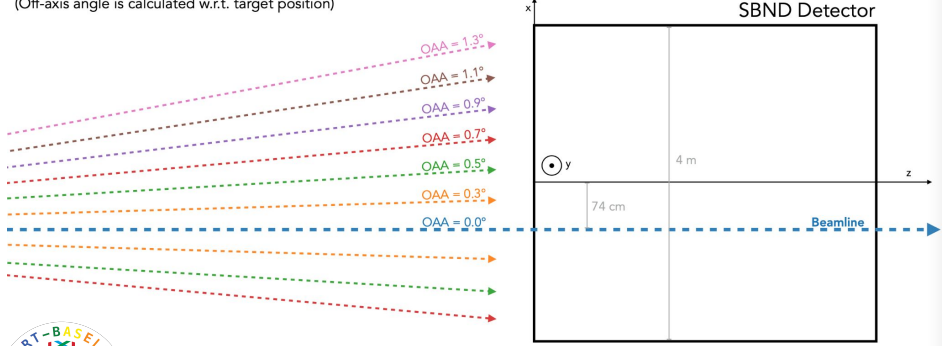


Image credit: Zarko Pavlovic

- $\langle E_\nu \rangle \sim 800$ MeV.
- Projected to take **10-18 X 10²⁰ POT** of data in total => large statistics on Argon.
- Close to the target + slightly off-axis => SBND can sample **off-axis fluxes** (hear more about this in the next talk by Lauren Yates).



SBND sees neutrinos from several off-axis angles (OAAs)
 (Off-axis angle is calculated w.r.t. target position)



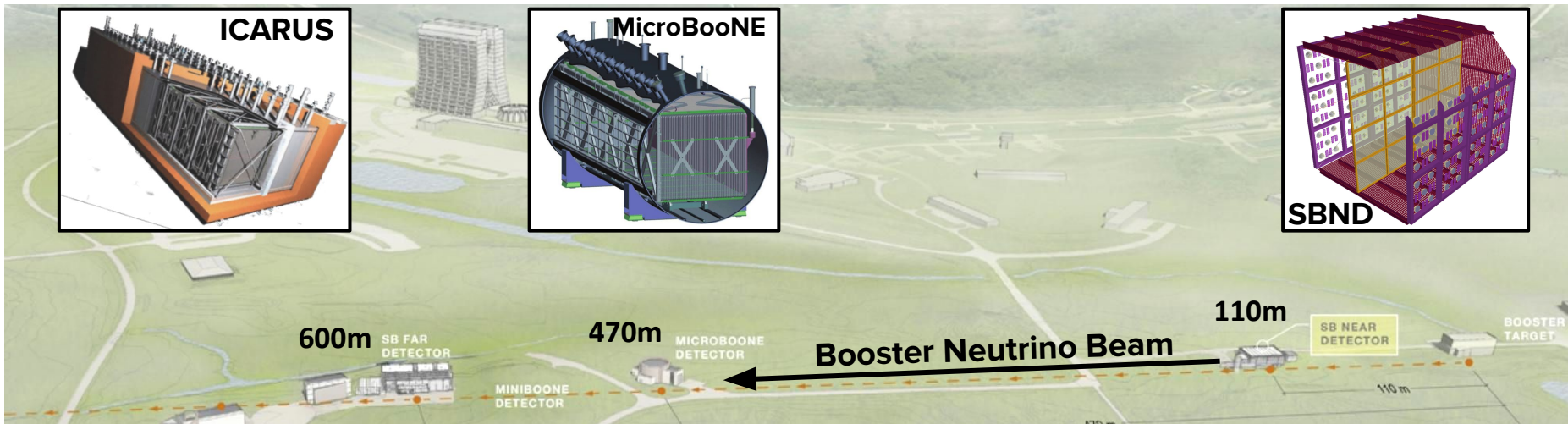
SBND Physics: Neutrino-Argon Cross Sections

See next talk, “Neutrino Interaction Measurement Capabilities of the SBND Experiment”
by **Dr. Lauren Yates**



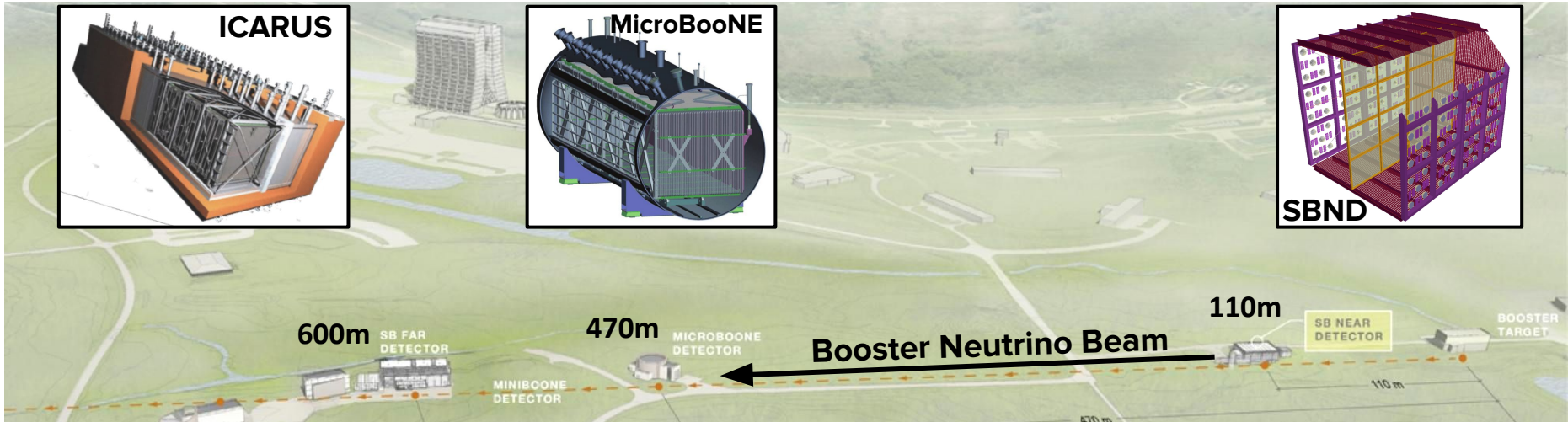
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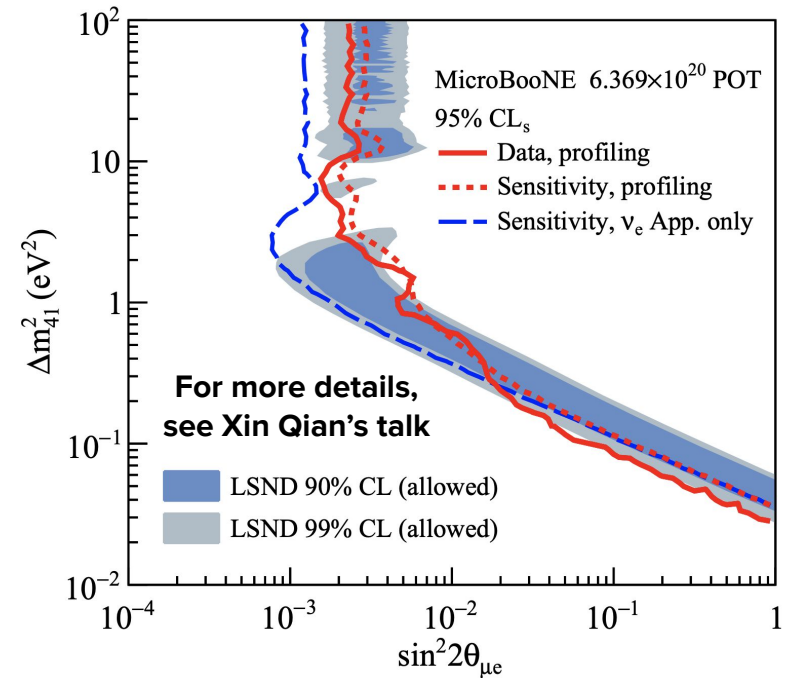
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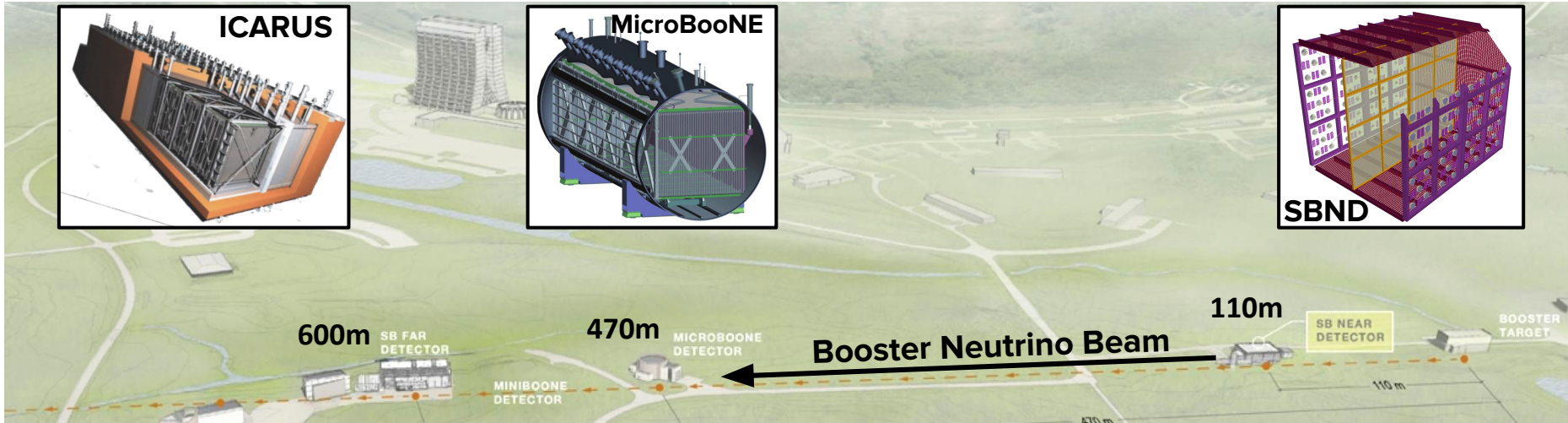
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The MicroBooNE Collaboration, [arXiv:2210.10216v2](https://arxiv.org/abs/2210.10216v2)



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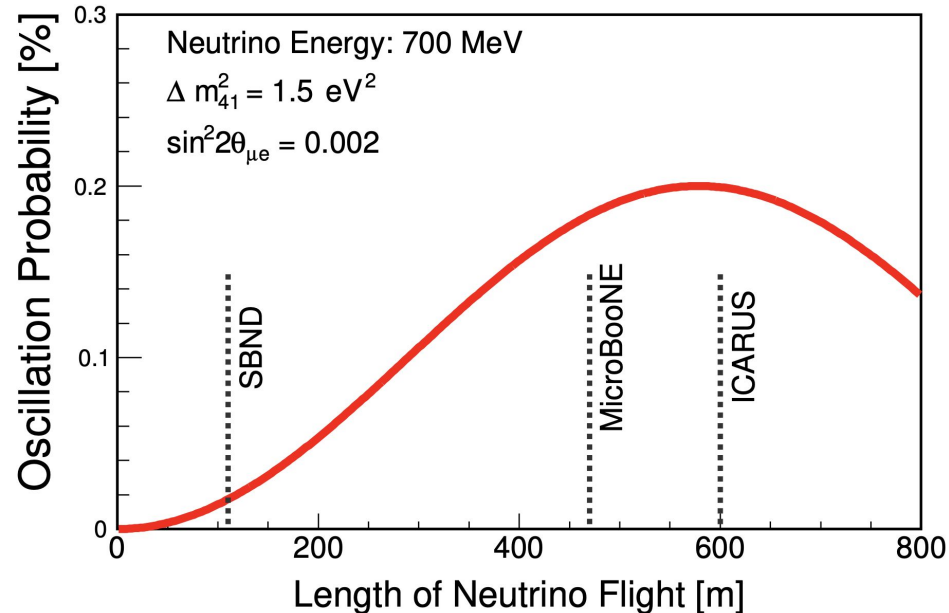
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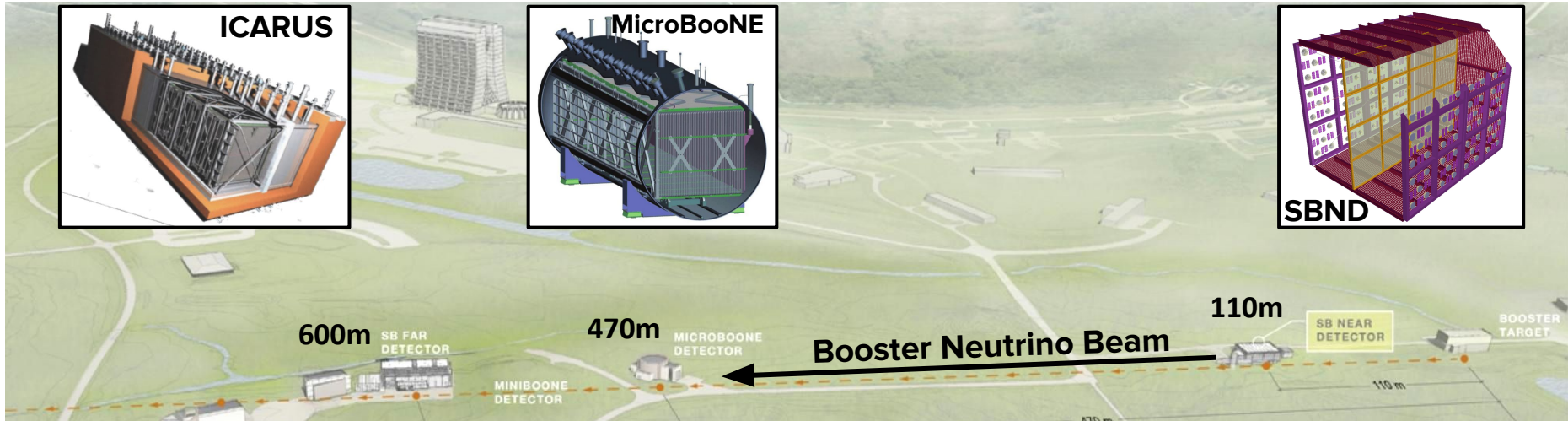
- **Near Detector (SBND) with large statistics to constrain systematics.**
- Far Detector (ICARUS) with large mass for increased exposure.
- Substantially improve the global dataset regarding sterile neutrinos.

arXiv:1903.04608v1

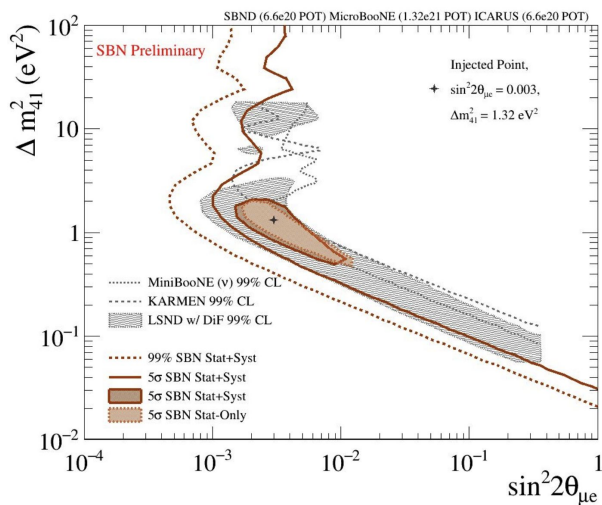


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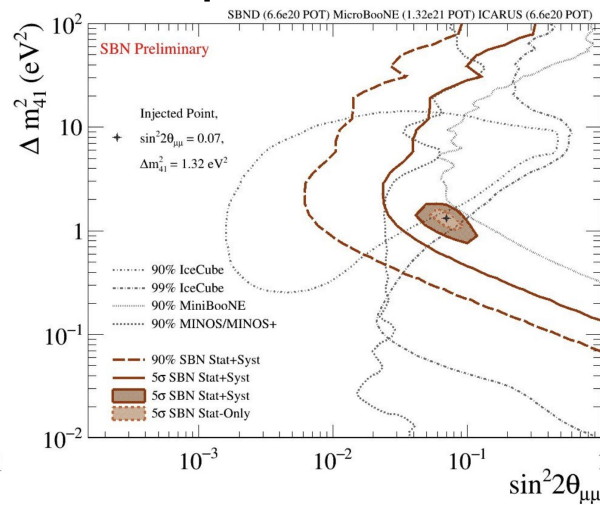
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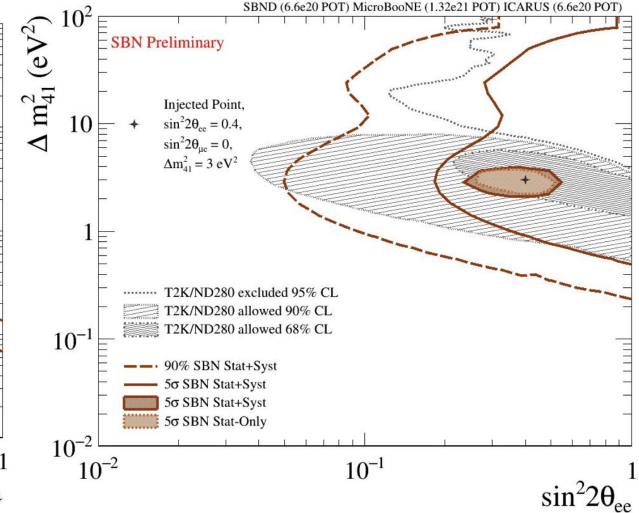
ν_e appearance



ν_μ disappearance



ν_e disappearance



The SBN program will probe all three sterile neutrino oscillation channels:
 ν_e appearance, ν_μ disappearance, and ν_e disappearance. Expect **5 σ sensitivity**.

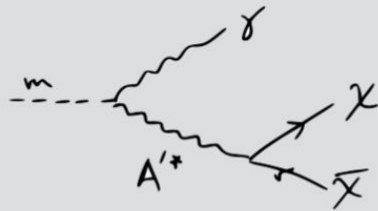
External data: [IceCube \$\nu_\mu\$ \(2020\)](#), [MINOS \$\nu_\mu\$ \(2017\)](#), [T2K \$\nu_e\$ \(2014\)](#), [MiniBooNE \$\nu_e\$ \(2013\)](#) & [\$\nu_\mu\$ \(2011\)](#), [KARMEN \$\nu_e\$ \(2002\)](#), [LSND \$\nu_e\$ \(2001\)](#)

SBND Physics: BSM New Physics

- **High-intensity** proton beam
- **3 mm resolution** 3D event reconstruction
- **Large-mass** LArTPC
- Excellent particle identification with **low thresholds**

=> SBND can search for a variety of BSM phenomena.

Light Dark Matter



Romeri Kelley Machado PRD 2019

Dark Neutrinos



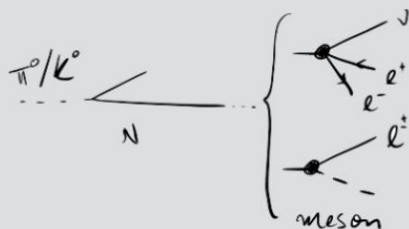
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Ballett Pascoli Ross-Lonergan PRD 2019
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Millicharged Particles



Magill, Plestid, Pospelov, Tsai, PRL 2019
Harnik Liu Palamara, JHEP 2019

Heavy Neutral Leptons



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Higgs Portal Scalar



Pat Wilczek 2006
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MicroBooNE 2021

Axion-like Particles



Kelly Kumar Liu PRD 2021
Brdar et al PRL 2021

Image credits: Pedro Machado, Marco Del Tutto



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We introduce the model into our simulation & run reconstruction.

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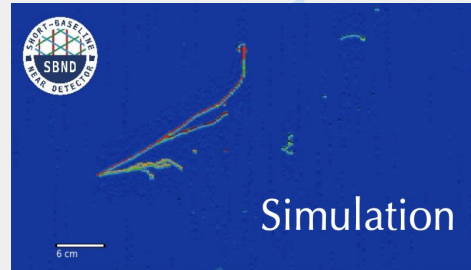
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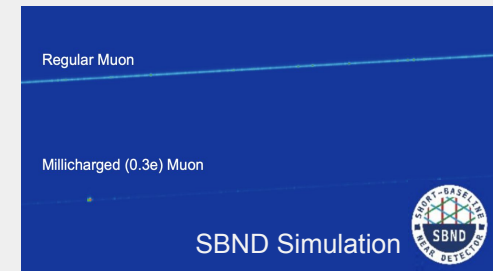
single e^- scattering or e^+e^- pair with no hadronic activity

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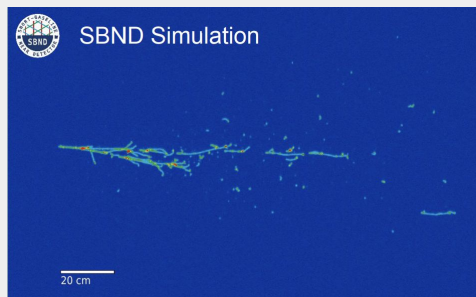
e^+e^- pair with or without hadronic activity

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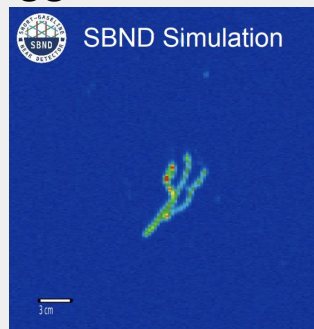
blips or faint tracks

Heavy Neutral Leptons



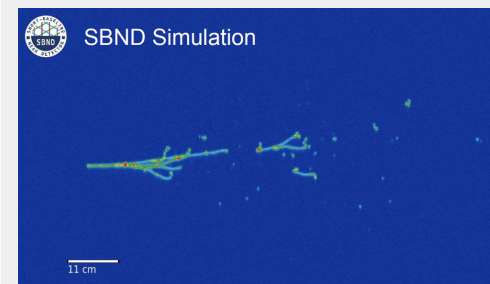
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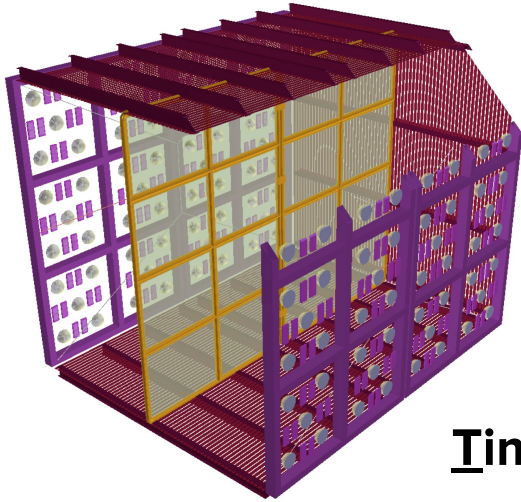
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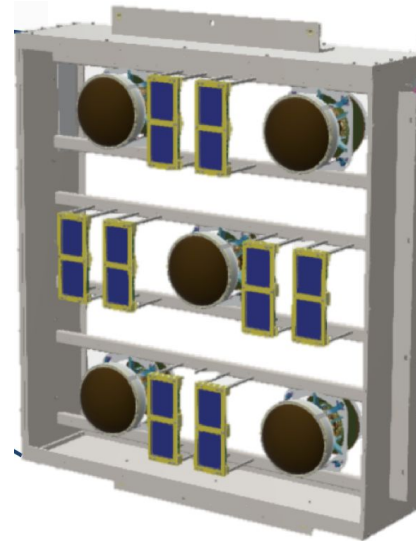
high-energy e^+e^- or $\mu^+\mu^-$ pair



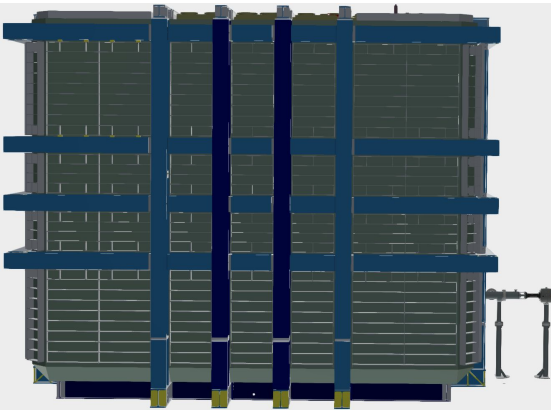
SBND: The Detector Subsystems



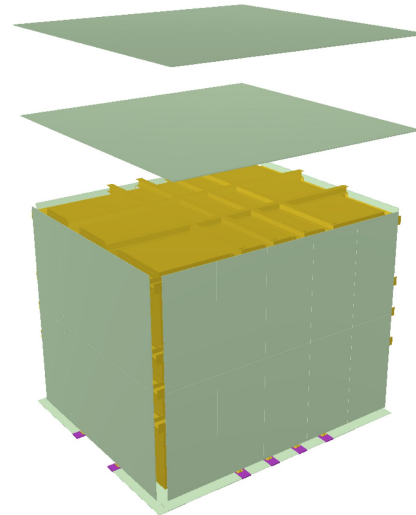
Time Projection
Chamber



Photon Detection
System



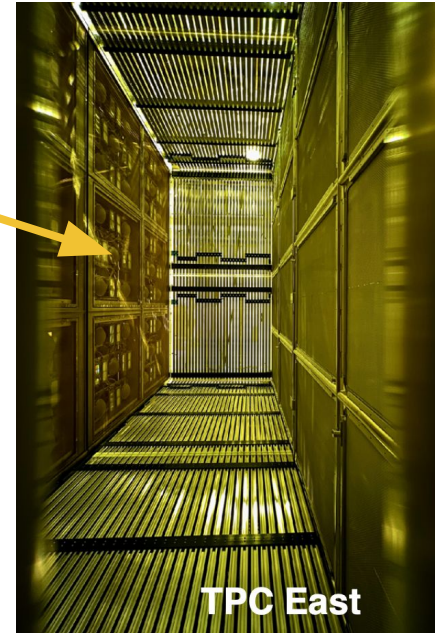
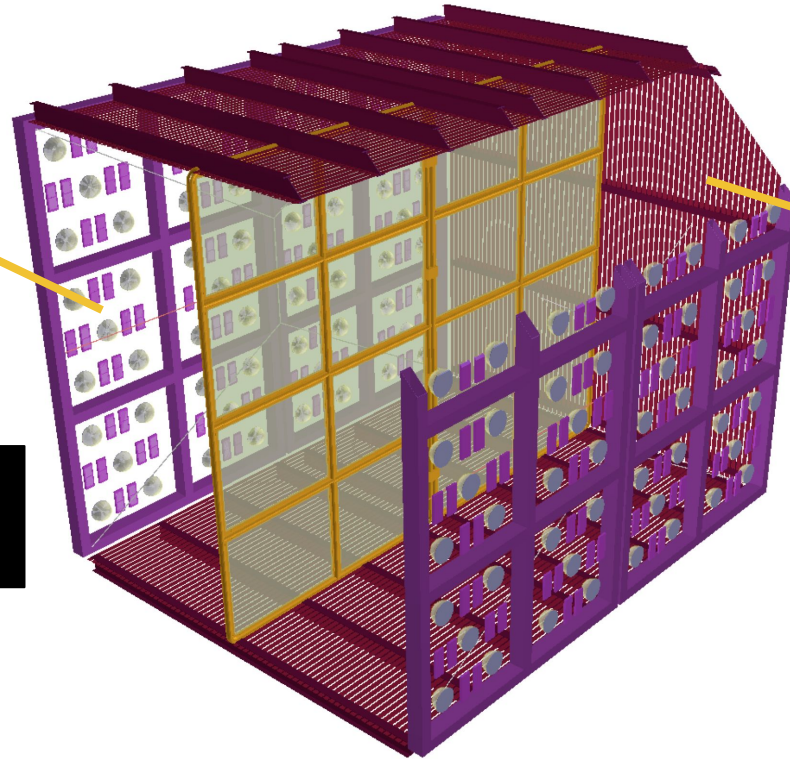
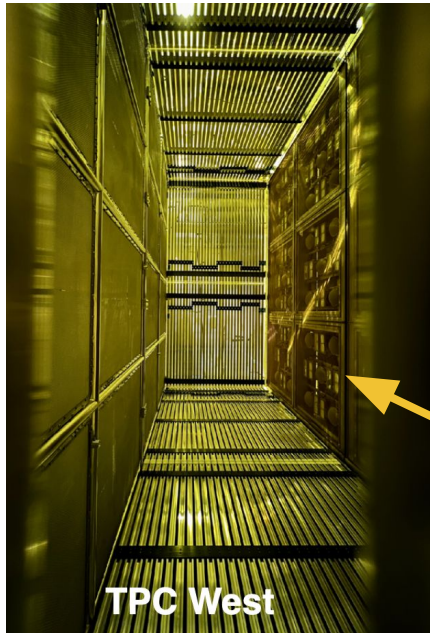
Cryostat



Cosmic Ray
Tagger

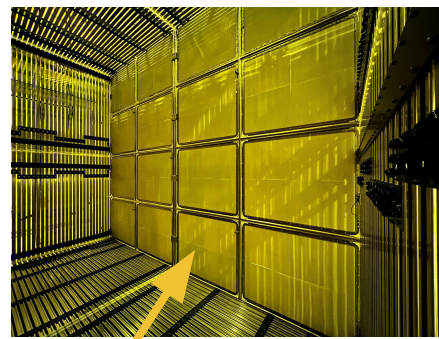
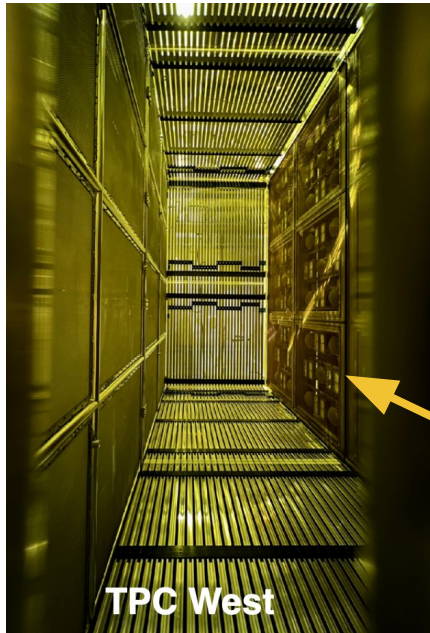


SBND TPC

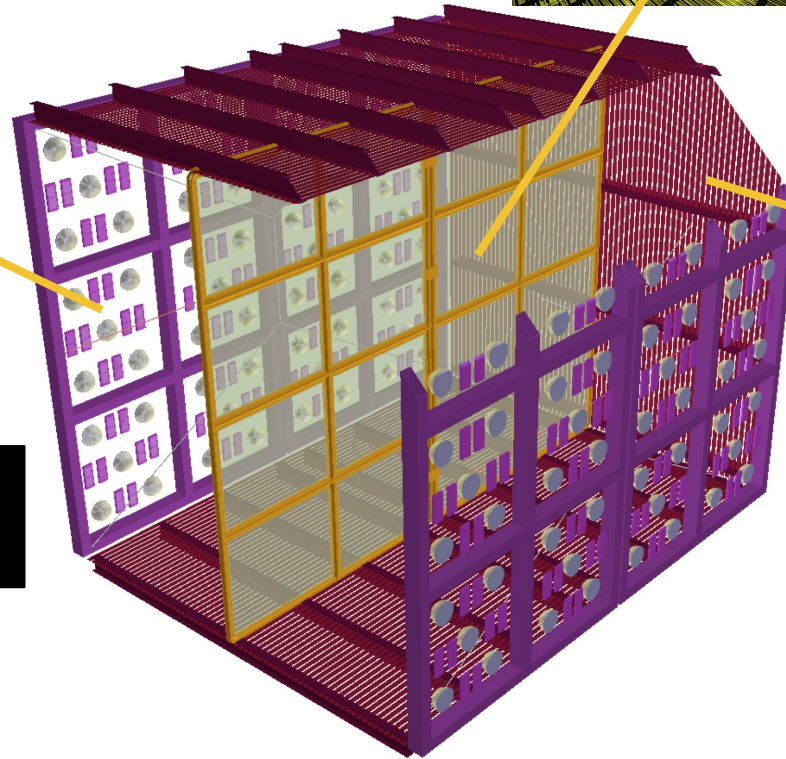
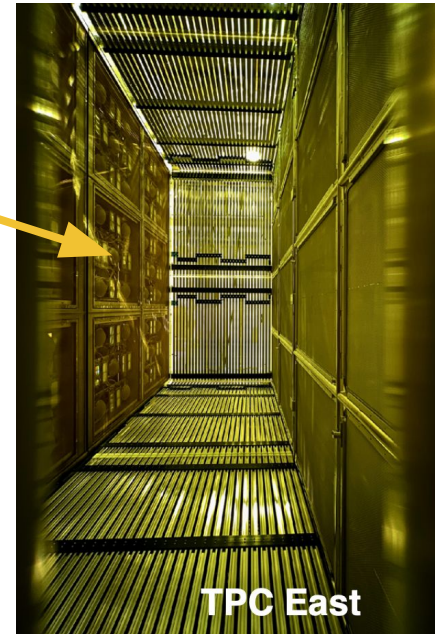


2 Time Projection Chambers
[total 4 X 4 X 5 m]

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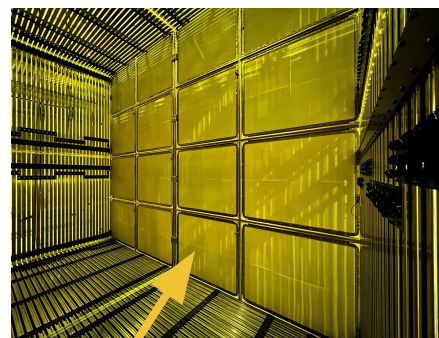
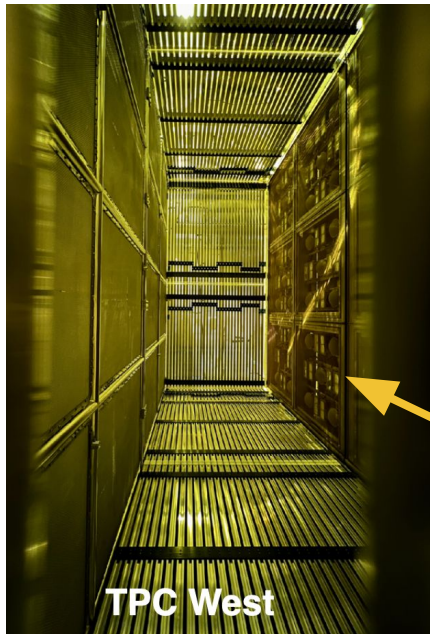
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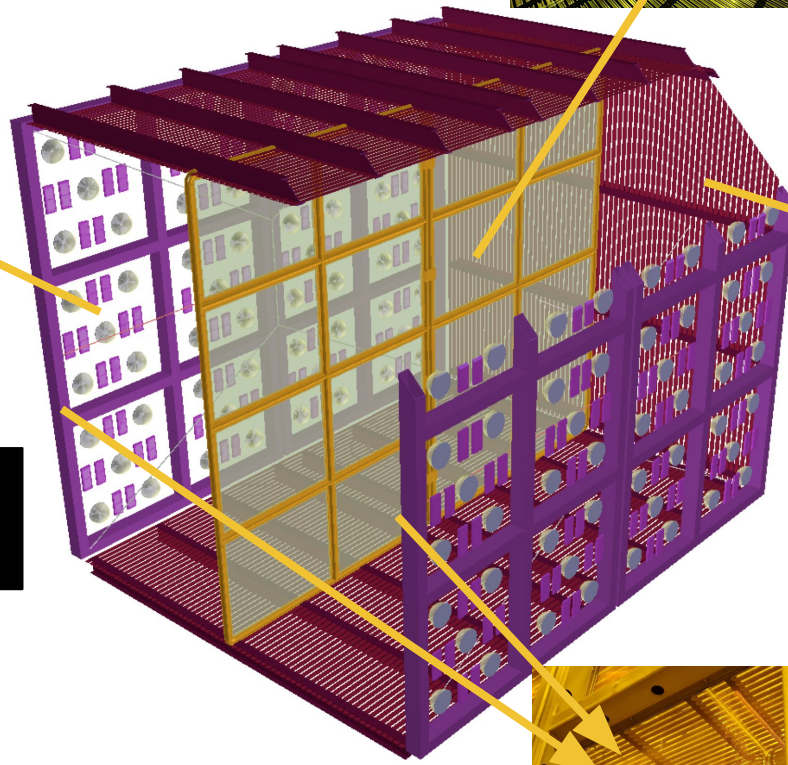
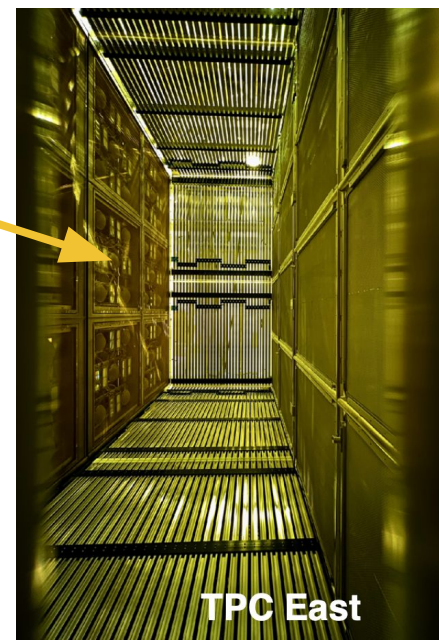
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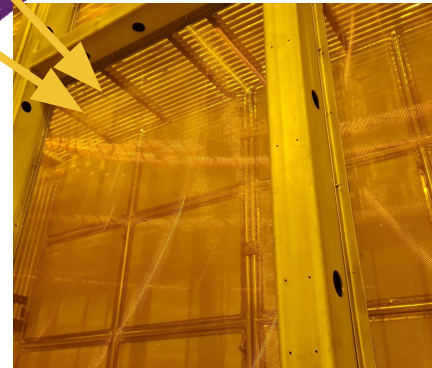
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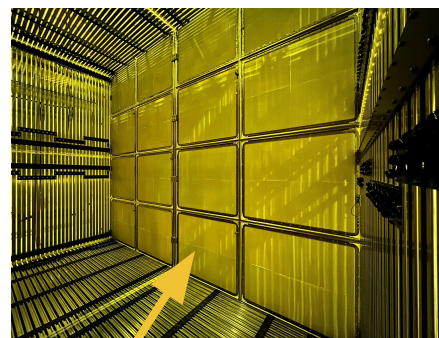
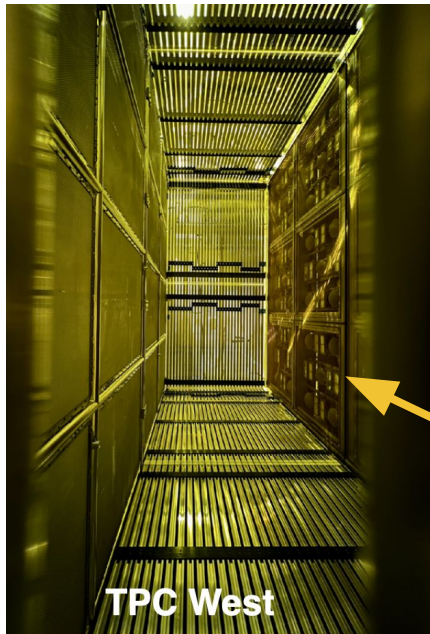
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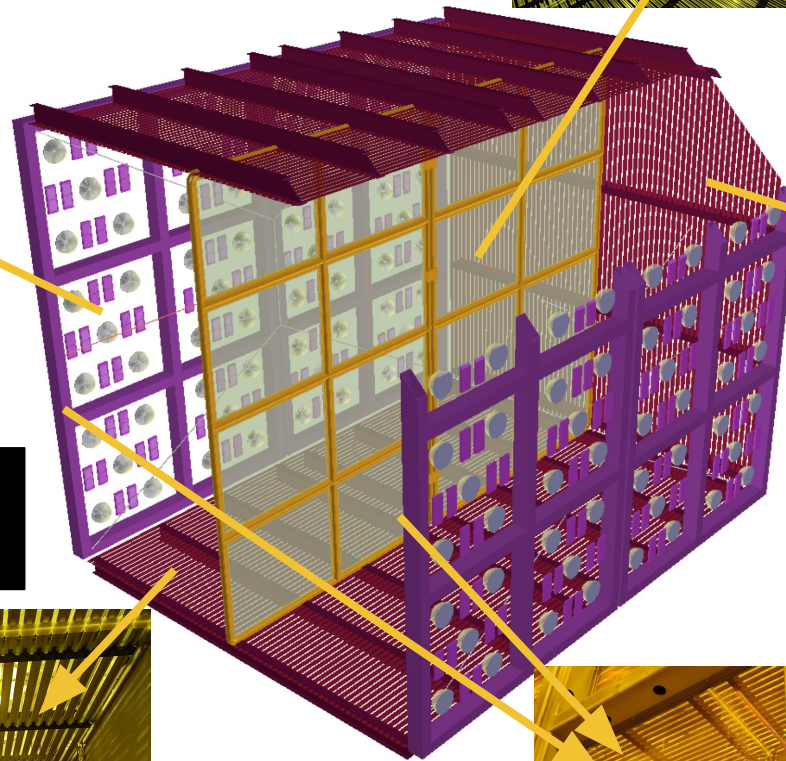
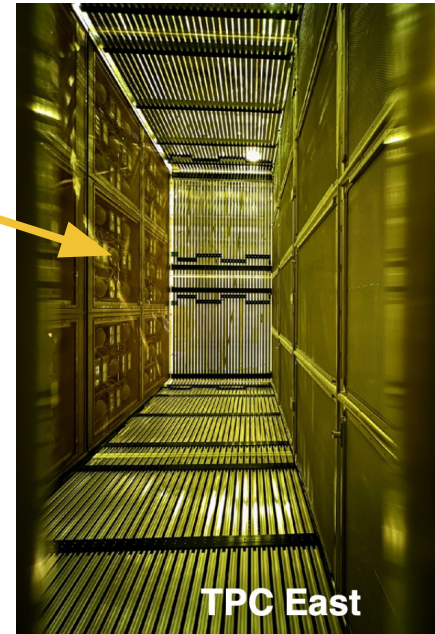
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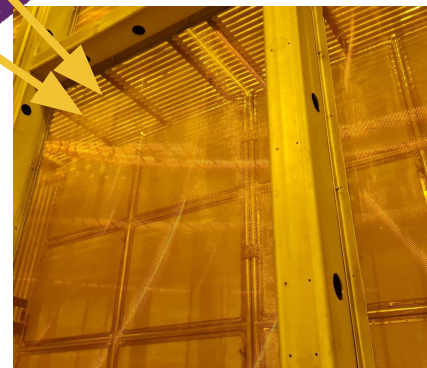


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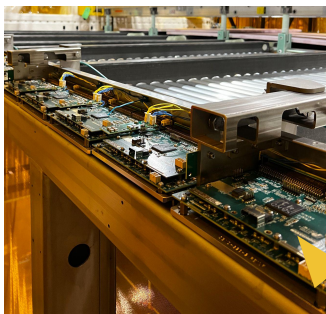
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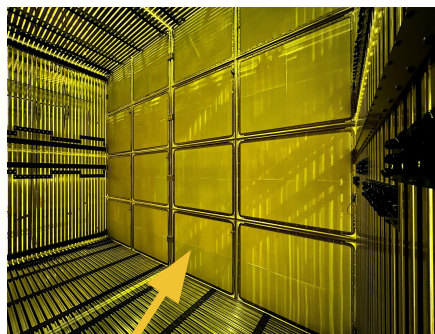
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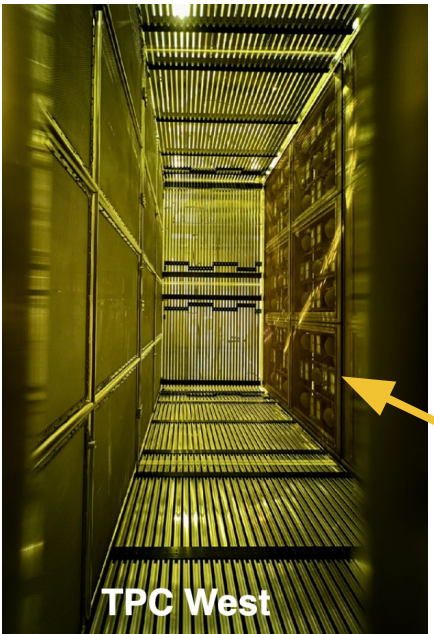
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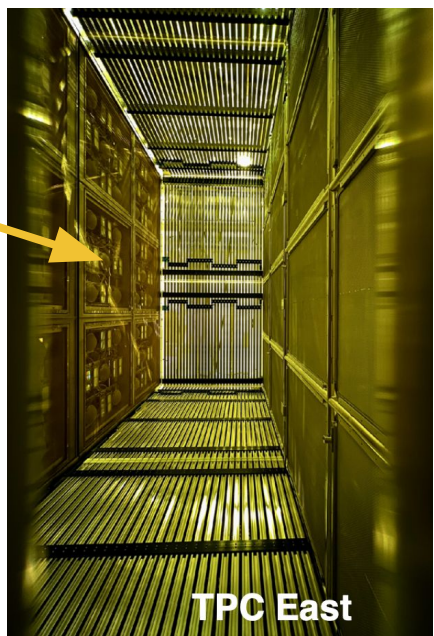
Cold Electronics to pre-amplify & digitize signals in the cold



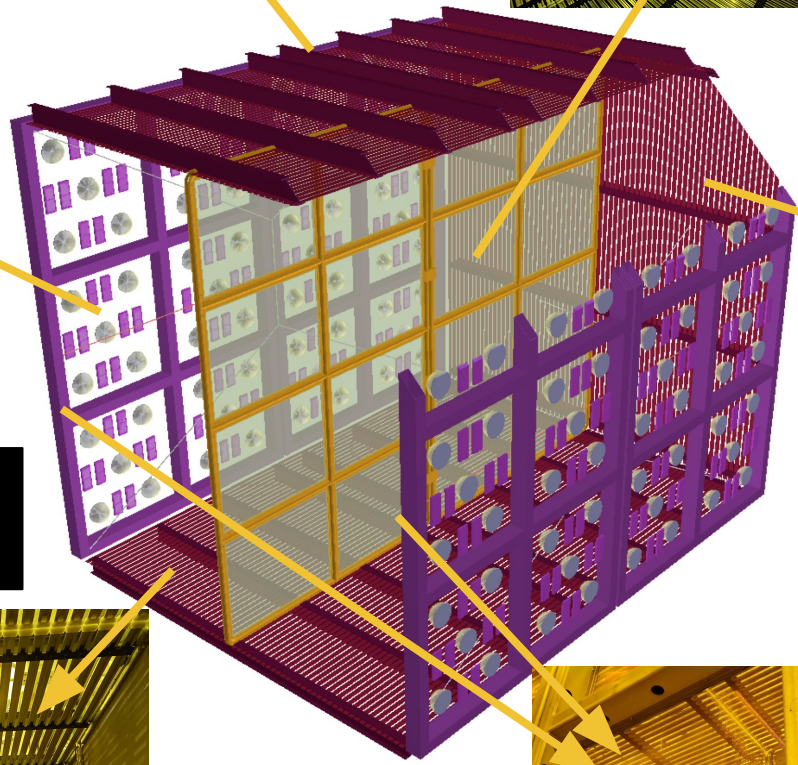
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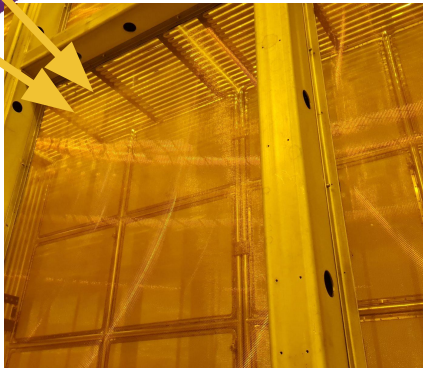


TPC East



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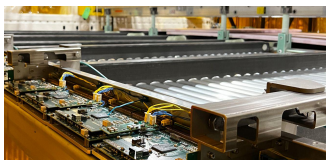
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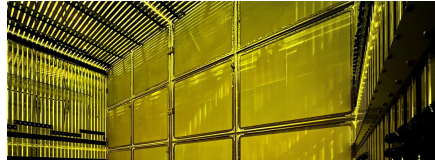
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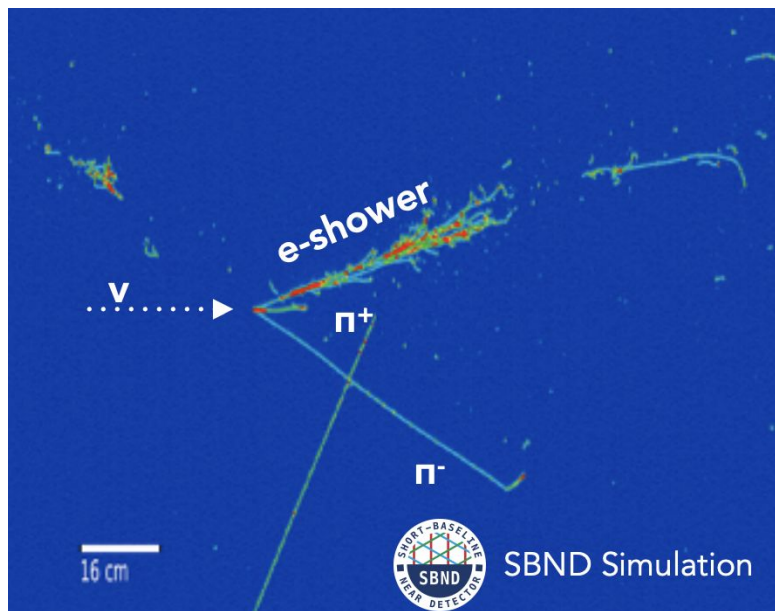


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3D event reconstruction.
3 mm position resolution.
Low momentum thresholds.
Particle ID: e/γ separation
 μ , π , p , etc identification.

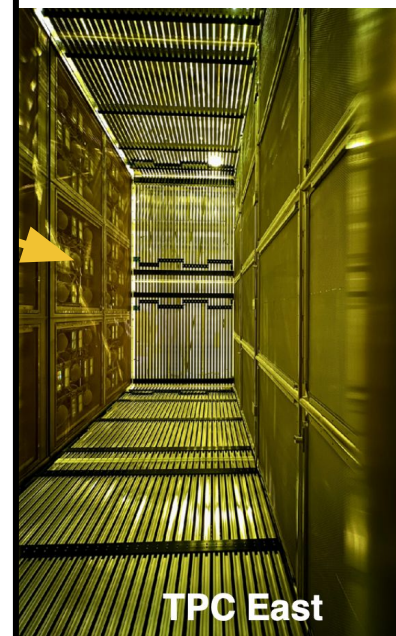
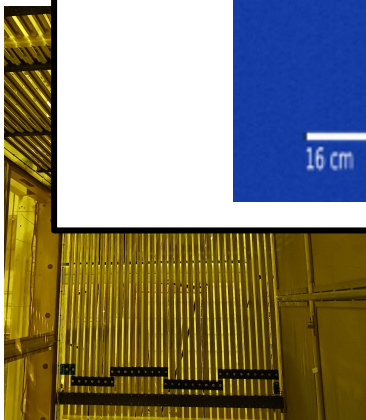


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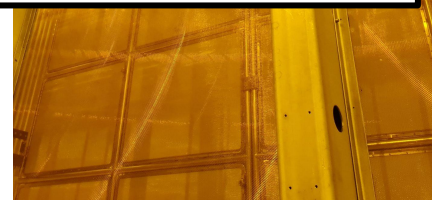
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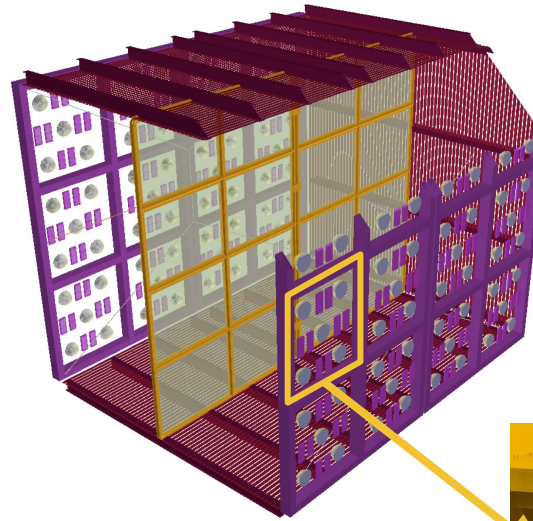


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SBND Photon Detection System



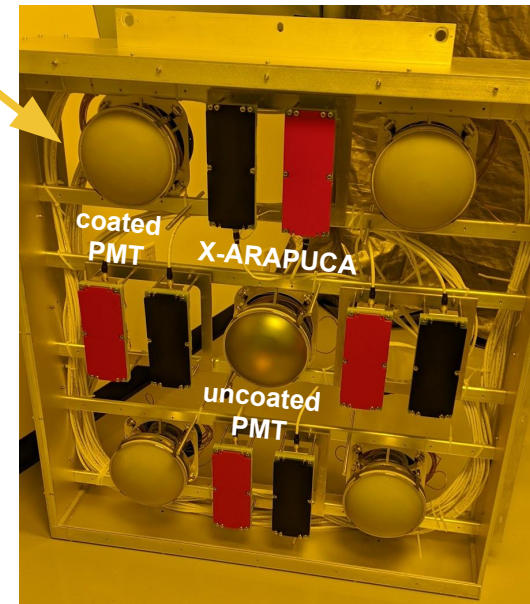
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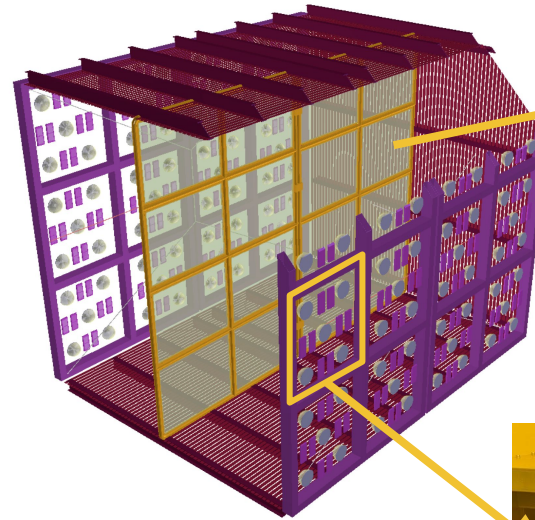
8x24 = 192
X-ARAPUCAs*

*sensitive to UV
+ visible light



SBND Photon Detection System

Cathode Plane
with TPB coated
reflective foils mounted
between mesh panels.



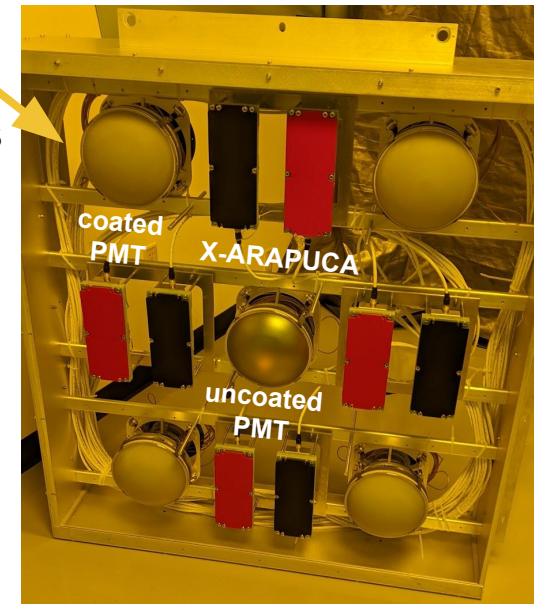
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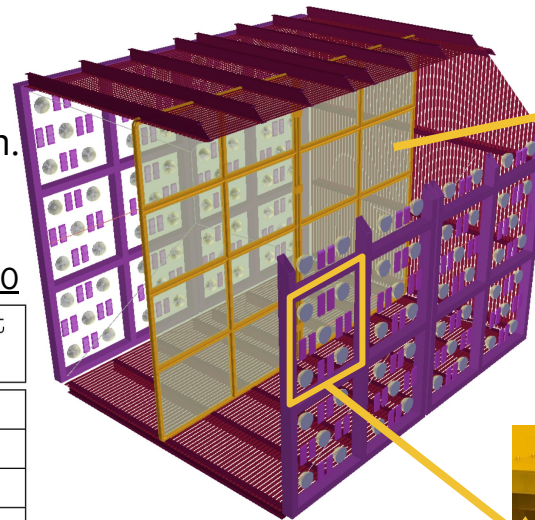
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SBND Photon Detection System

- **Primary scintillation and reflected light:** improved and more uniform total light yield.
- **Triggering:** recent improvements in timing resolution to resolve the beam structure & identify interaction time.
- **Cosmic background tagging:** based on amount of light + 3D position reconstruction.
- **Calorimetry:** light information can supplement TPC information. [arXiv:2203.00740](https://arxiv.org/abs/2203.00740)

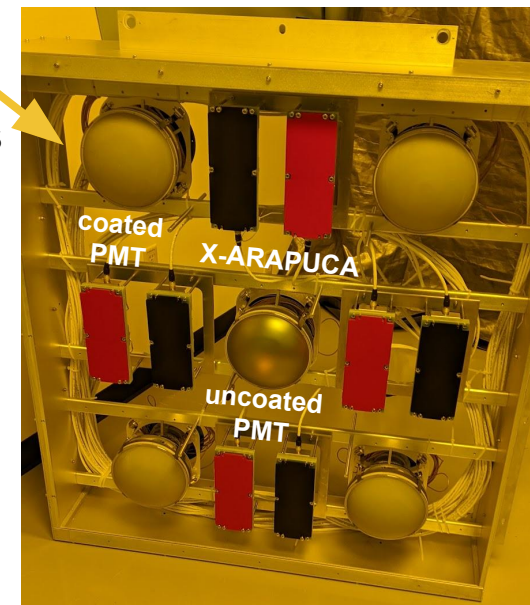
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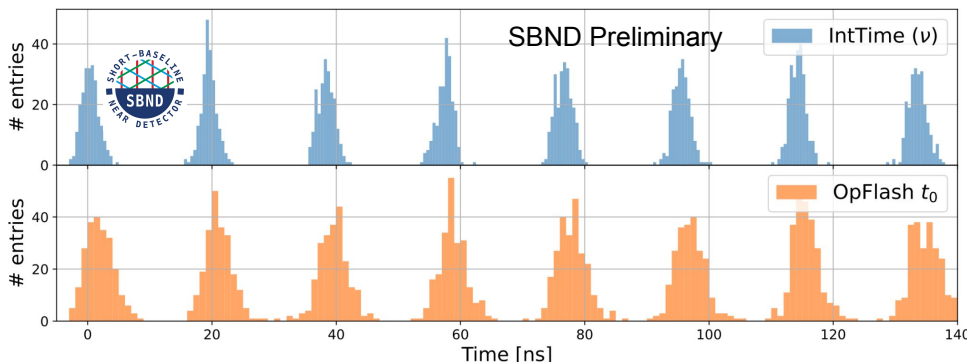
Experiment	Average light yield (PE/MeV)	Uniform light collection?
MicroBooNE	~ 5	no
LArIAT	~ 18	yes
pDUNE-SP	1.9 at 3.3m	no
SBND	~ 80 (> 50 min)	yes
DUNE: Vertical Drift	~ 38 (> 16.5 min)	yes

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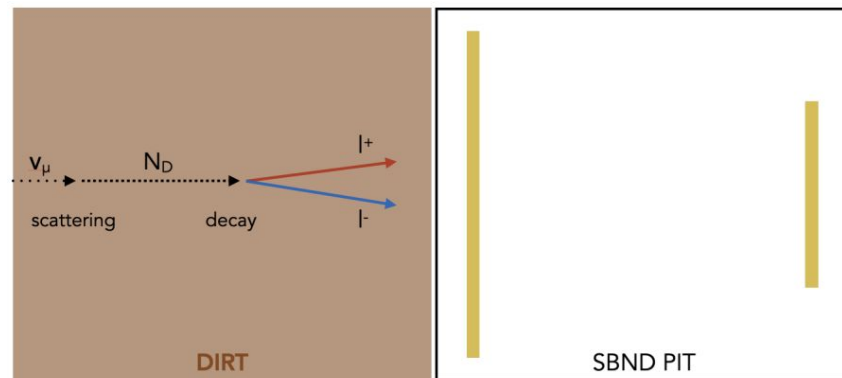
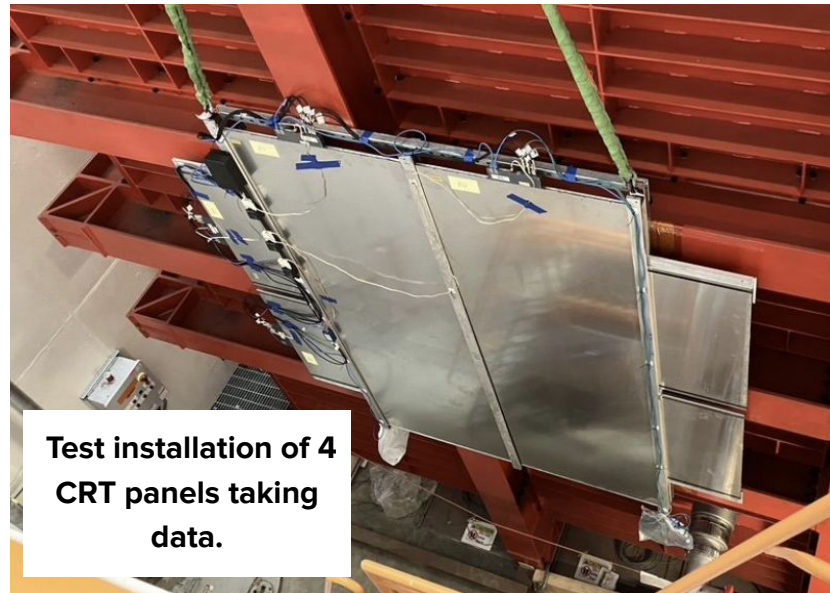
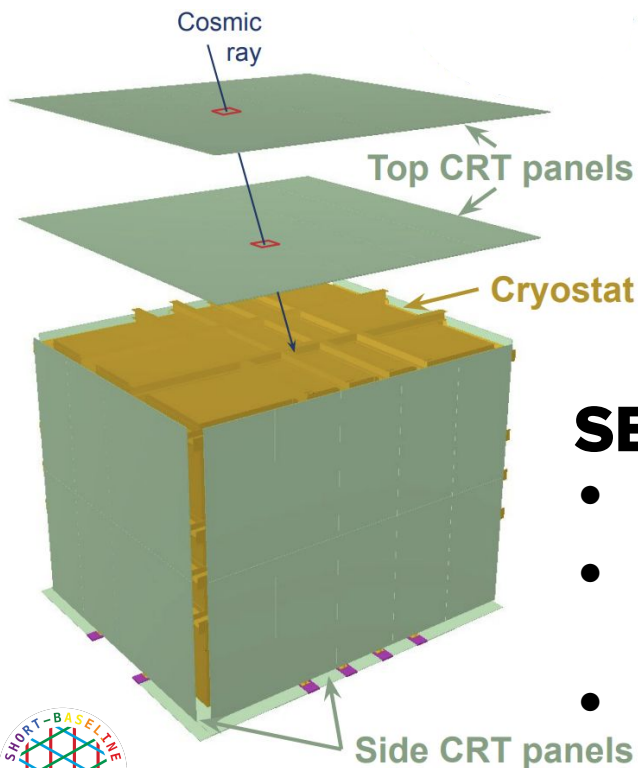
*sensitive to UV
+ visible light



Simulated (top) and reconstructed (bottom) light flashes showing the neutrino beam structure.

SBND Cosmic Ray Tagger

- 3-4 cosmic muons in TPC per readout window.
- **4π coverage** important for surface detectors
- Can act as a “**beam telescope**,” e.g. to look for BSM new physics particles decaying in the dirt around SBND (dark neutrino analysis development underway).

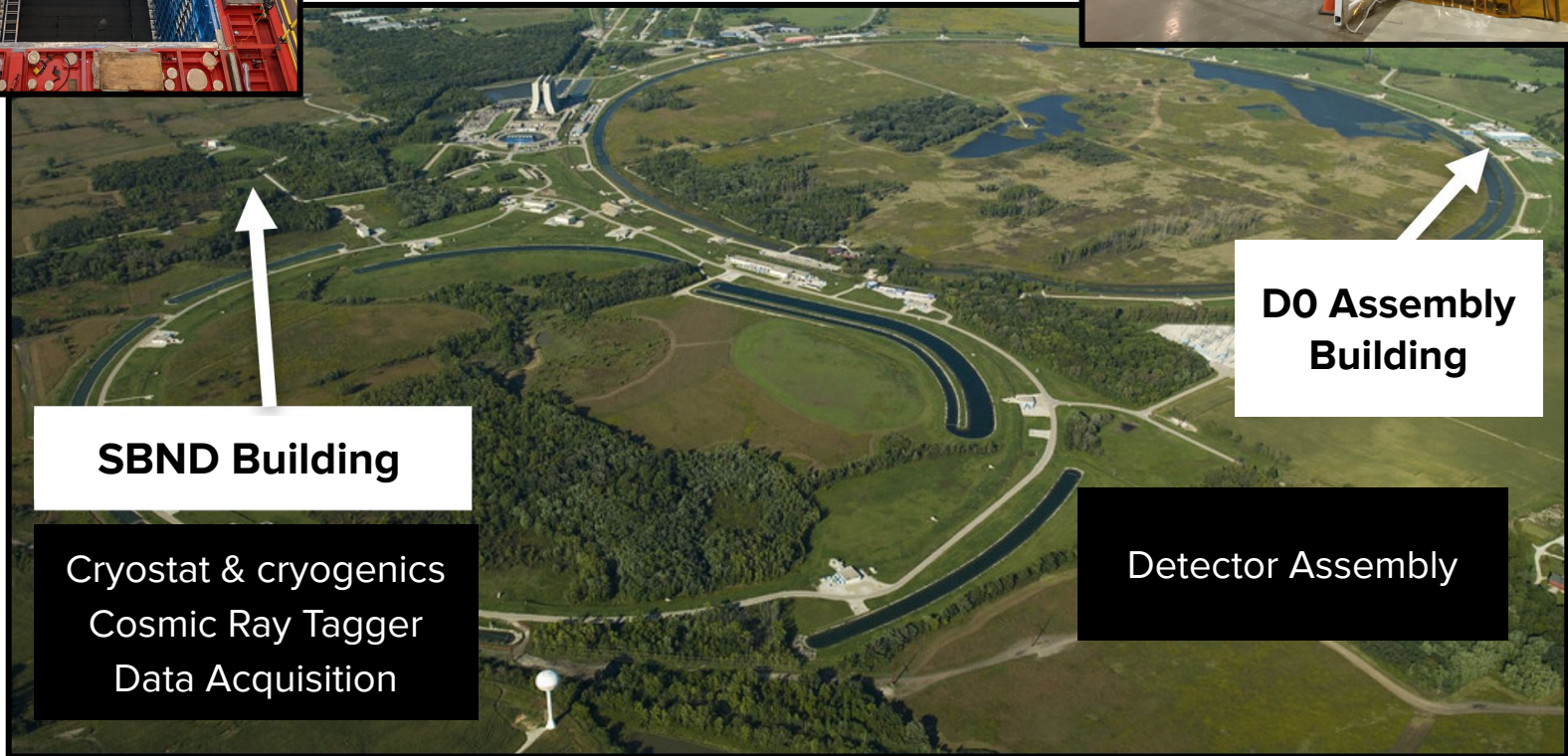
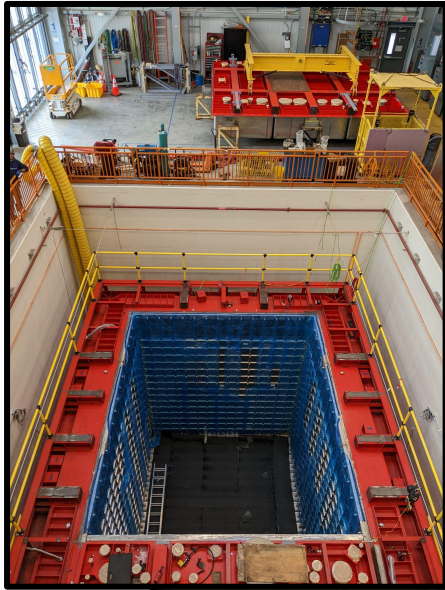


SBND Cryostat

- **Prototype for DUNE** - elements similar to DUNE.
- The detector is suspended from top caps and held inside the cryostat.
- Two top caps through which all cabling and instrumentation will be passed.



Detector Construction at Two Sites



SBND Building

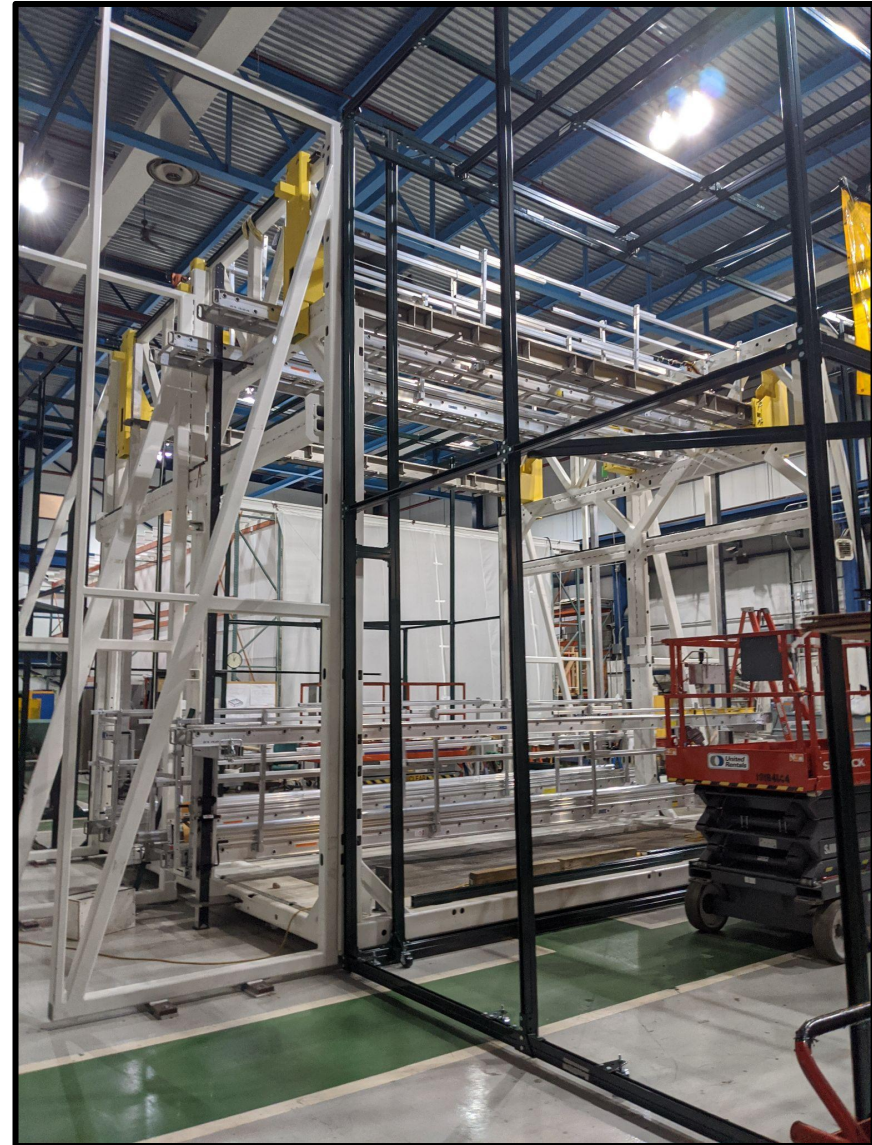
Cryostat & cryogenics
Cosmic Ray Tagger
Data Acquisition

D0 Assembly Building

Detector Assembly



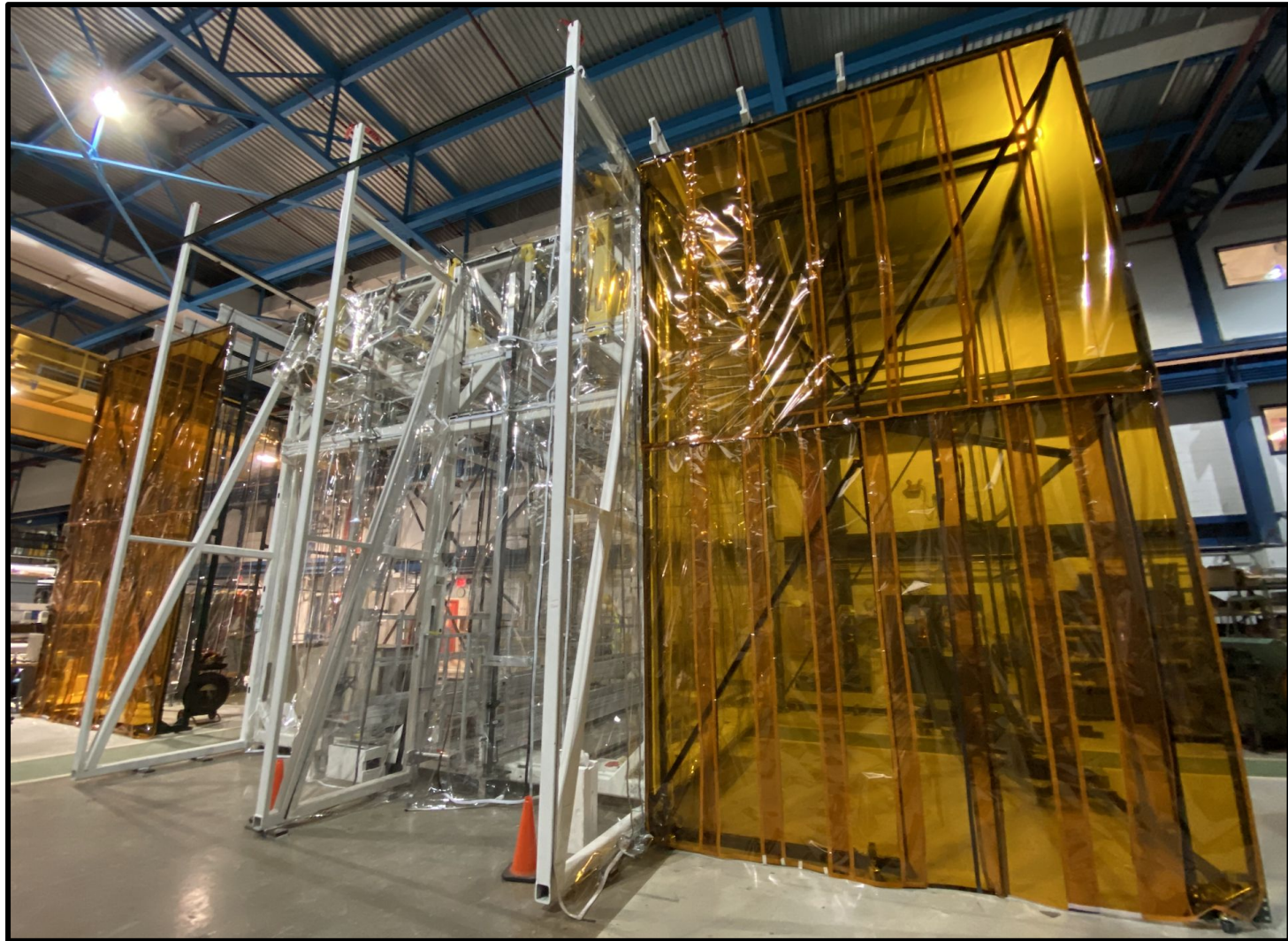
Detector Assembly



Empty Assembly Transport Frame,
December 2019



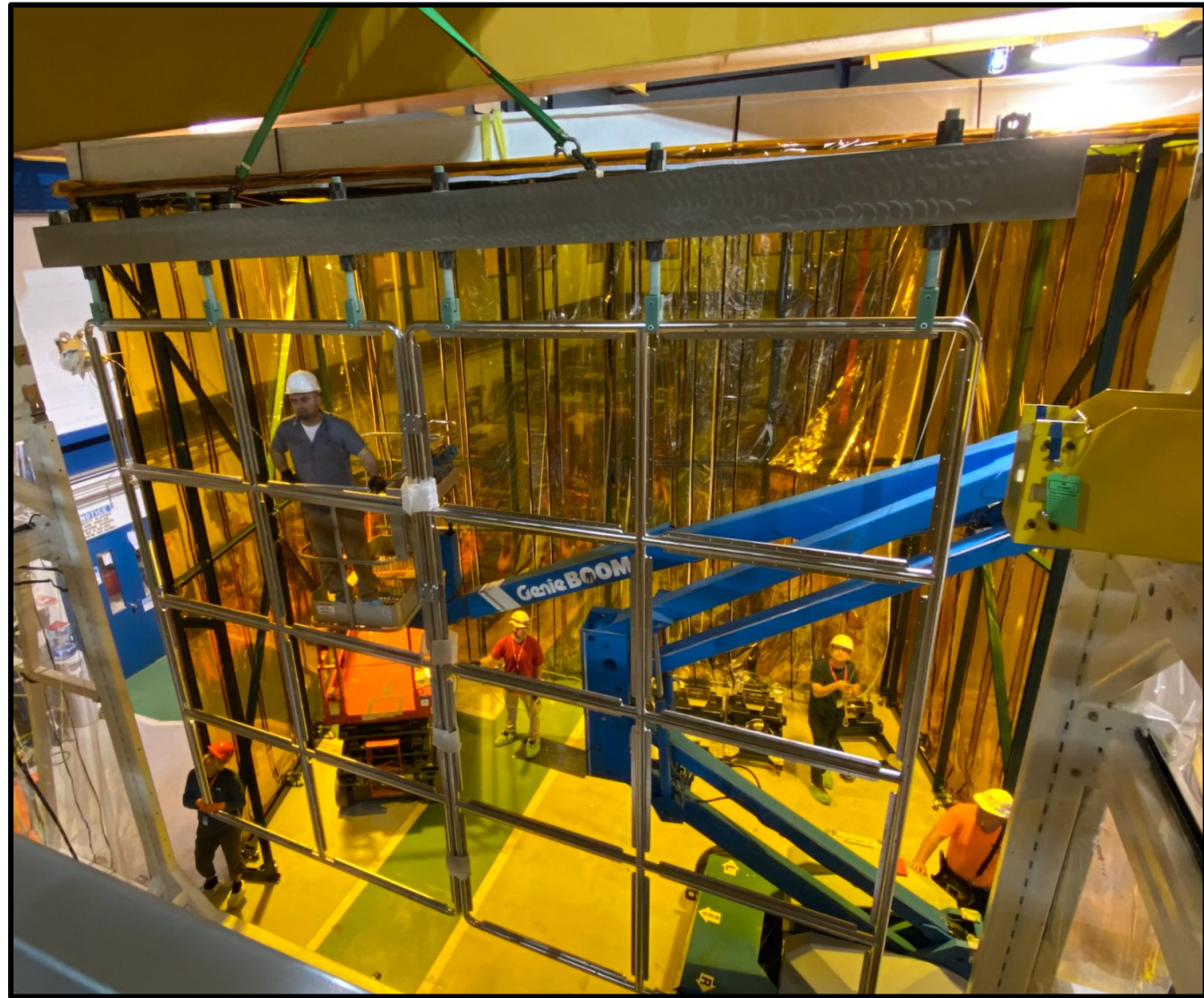
Detector Assembly



Clean tent with UV filters fully constructed,
April 2021



Detector Assembly



Cathode Plane structure being installed,
July 2021



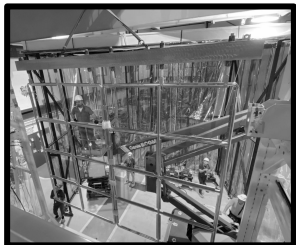
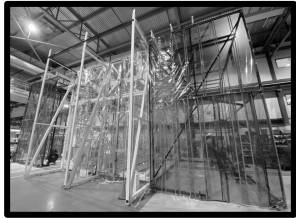
Detector Assembly



Anode Plane Assembly with wires being brought into place, October 2021



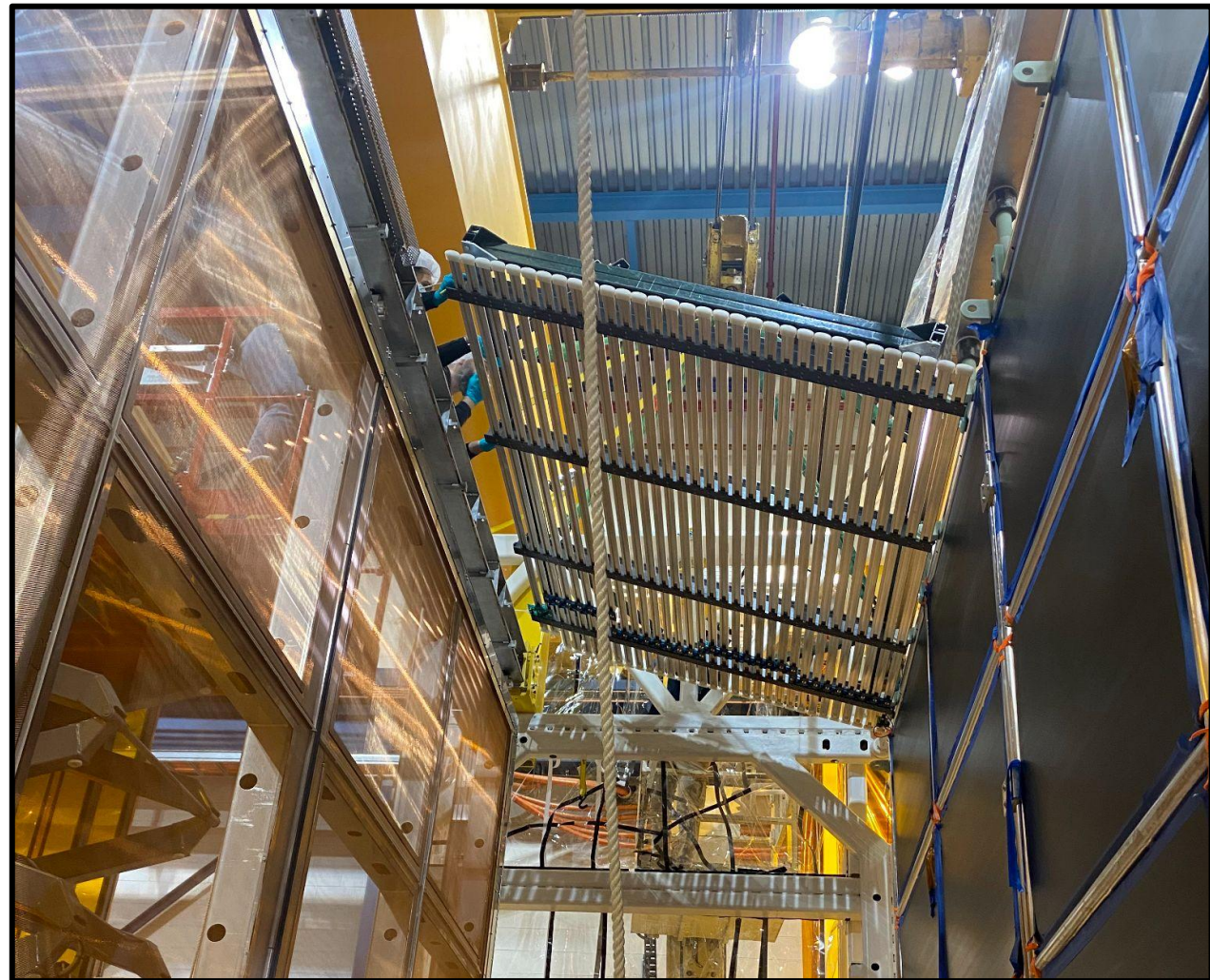
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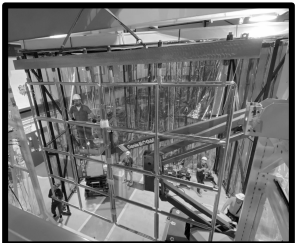
Installation of Cold Electronics,
December 2021 & May 2022



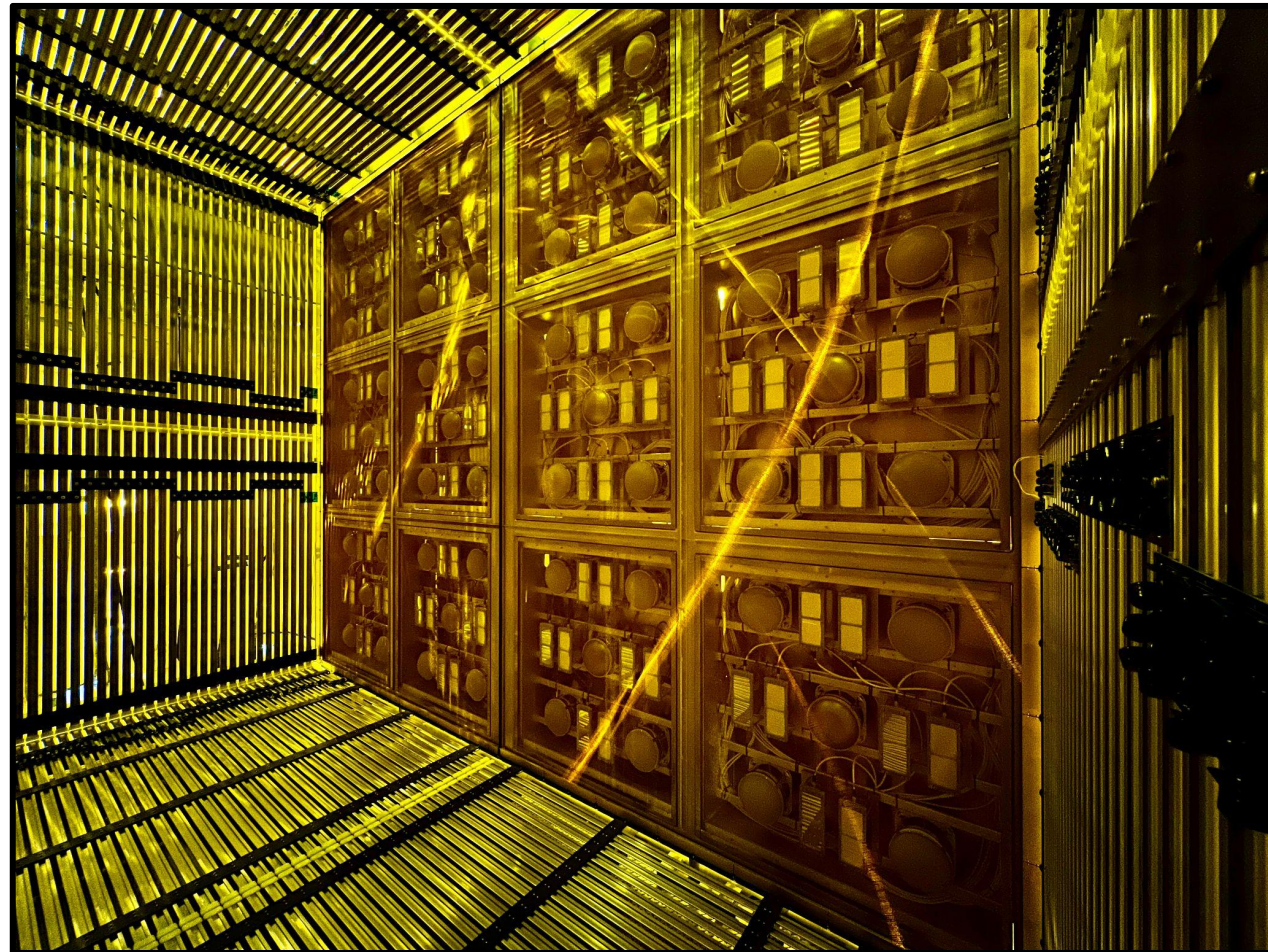
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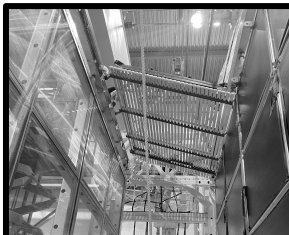
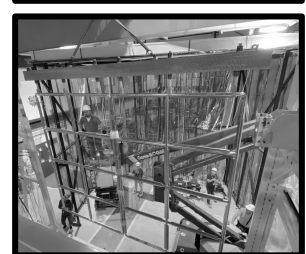
Field Cage top module being lowered,
January 2022



Detector Assembly



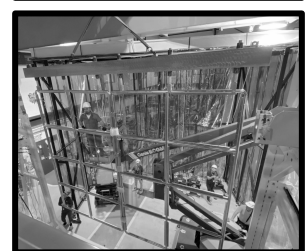
Photon Detection System boxes fully installed behind anode wire planes, September 2022



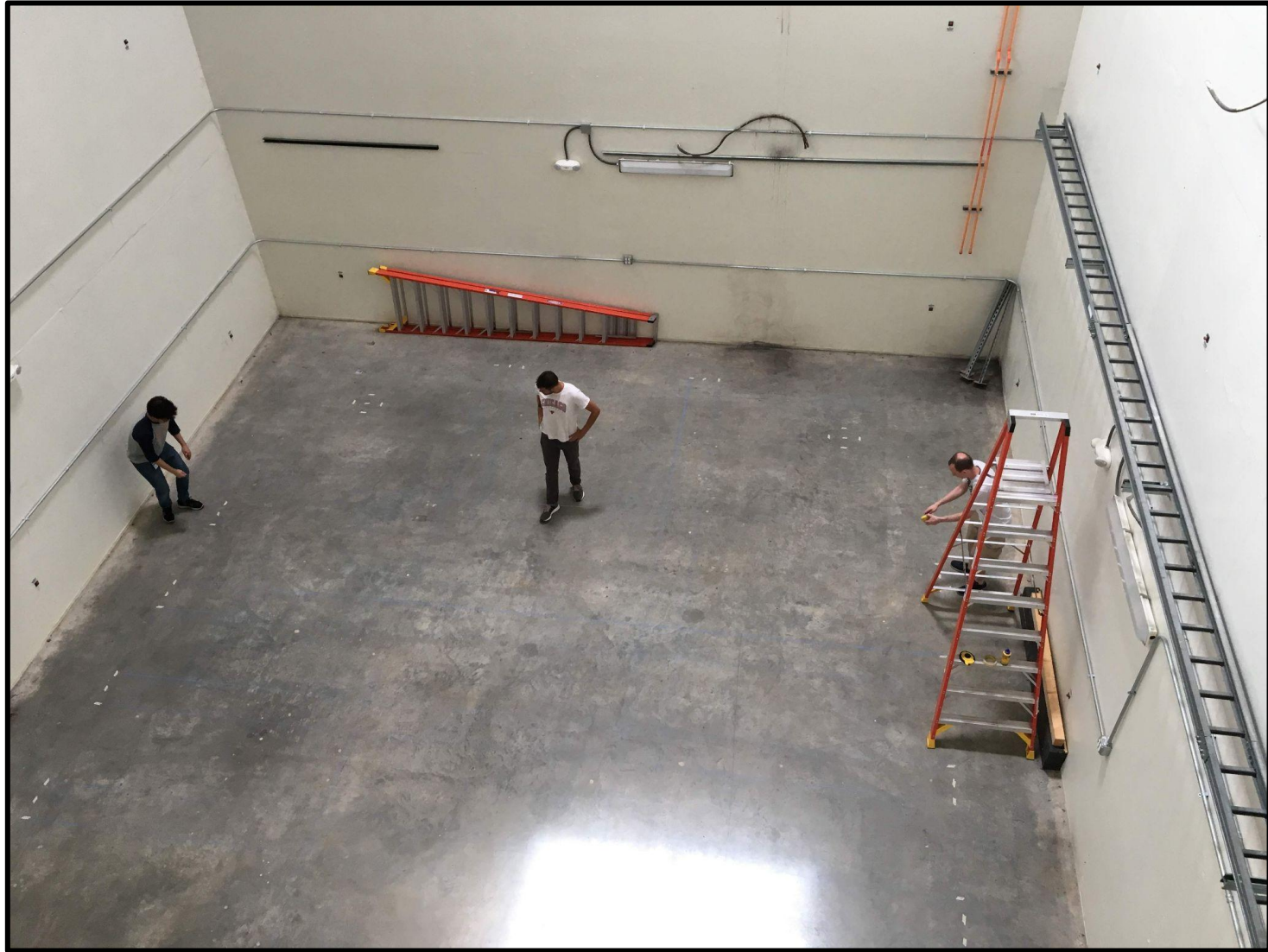
Detector Assembly



Fully completed assembly of 2 TPCS + Photon Detection System, September 2022



Cryostat + SBN-ND Building Preparation



Empty pit where the future detector will go,
July 2019



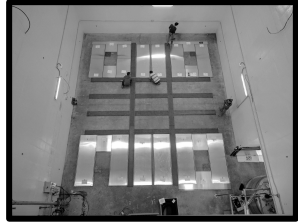
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Bottom Cosmic Ray Tagger modules installed,
September 2019



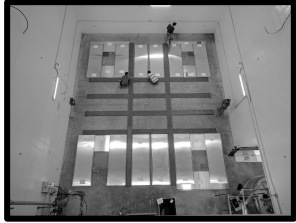
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Cryostat outer shell completed, November 2019



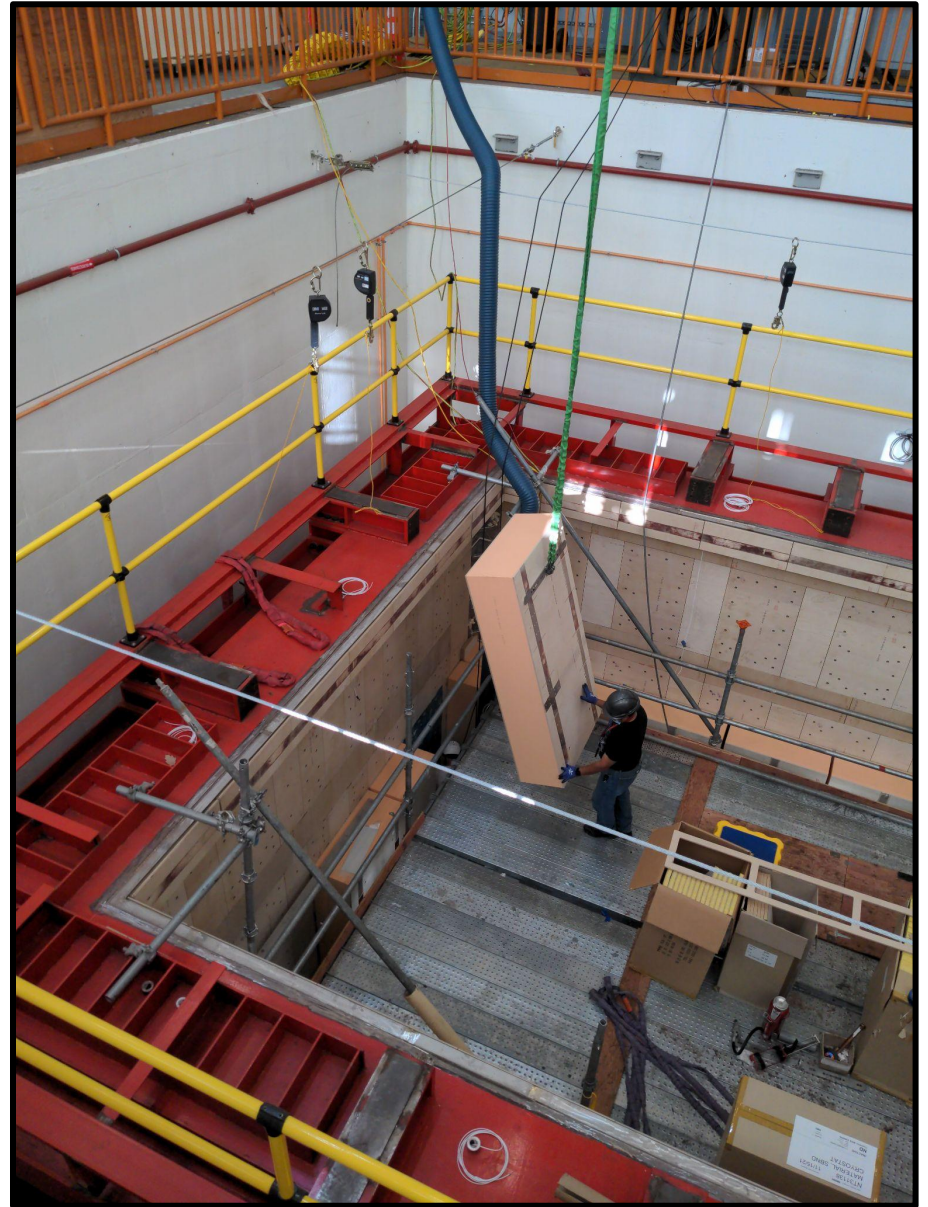
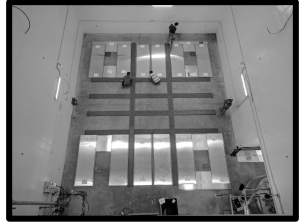
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Data Acquisition System electronic racks installed in the mezzanine level, February 2020



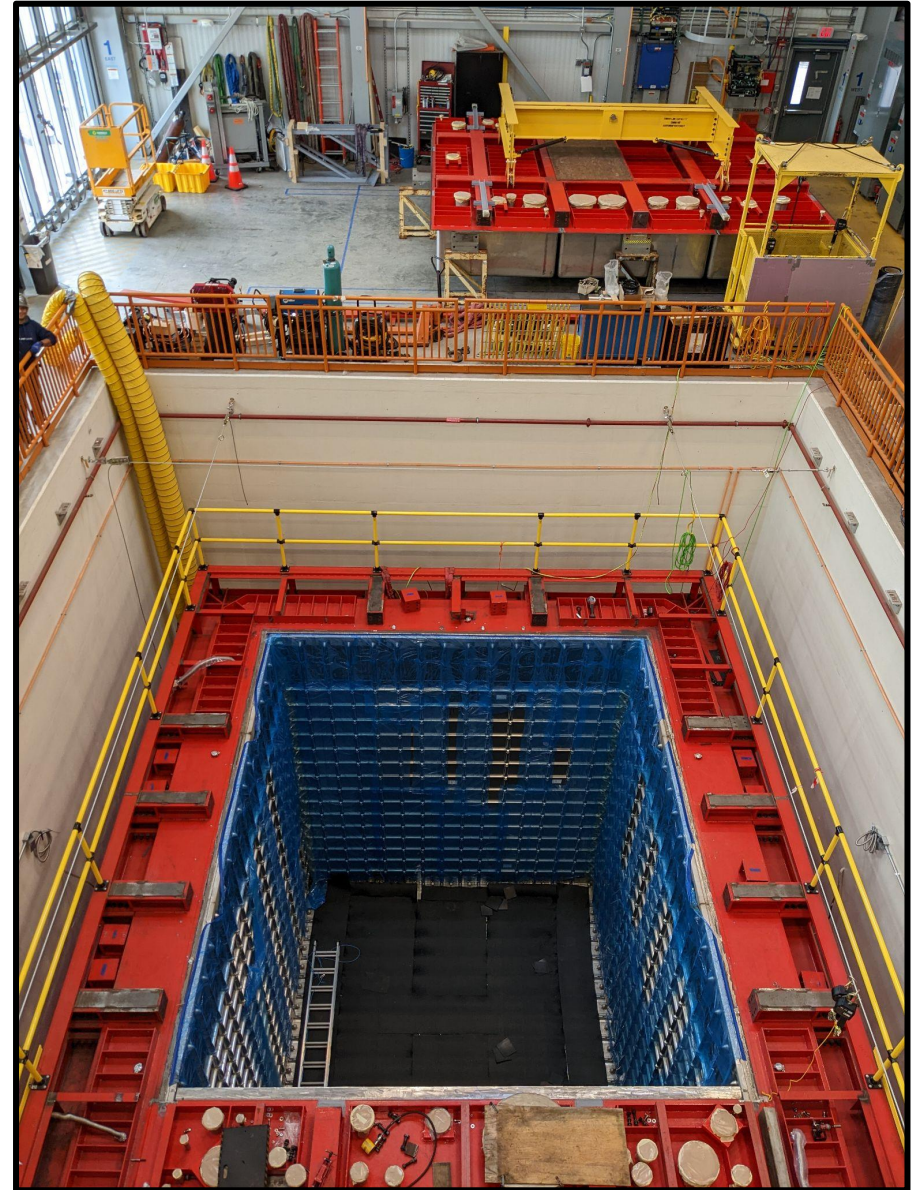
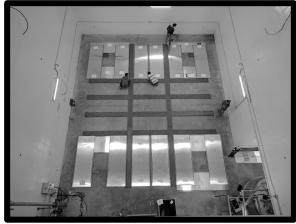
Cryostat + SBN-ND Building Preparation



Cryostat insulation installation, July 2022

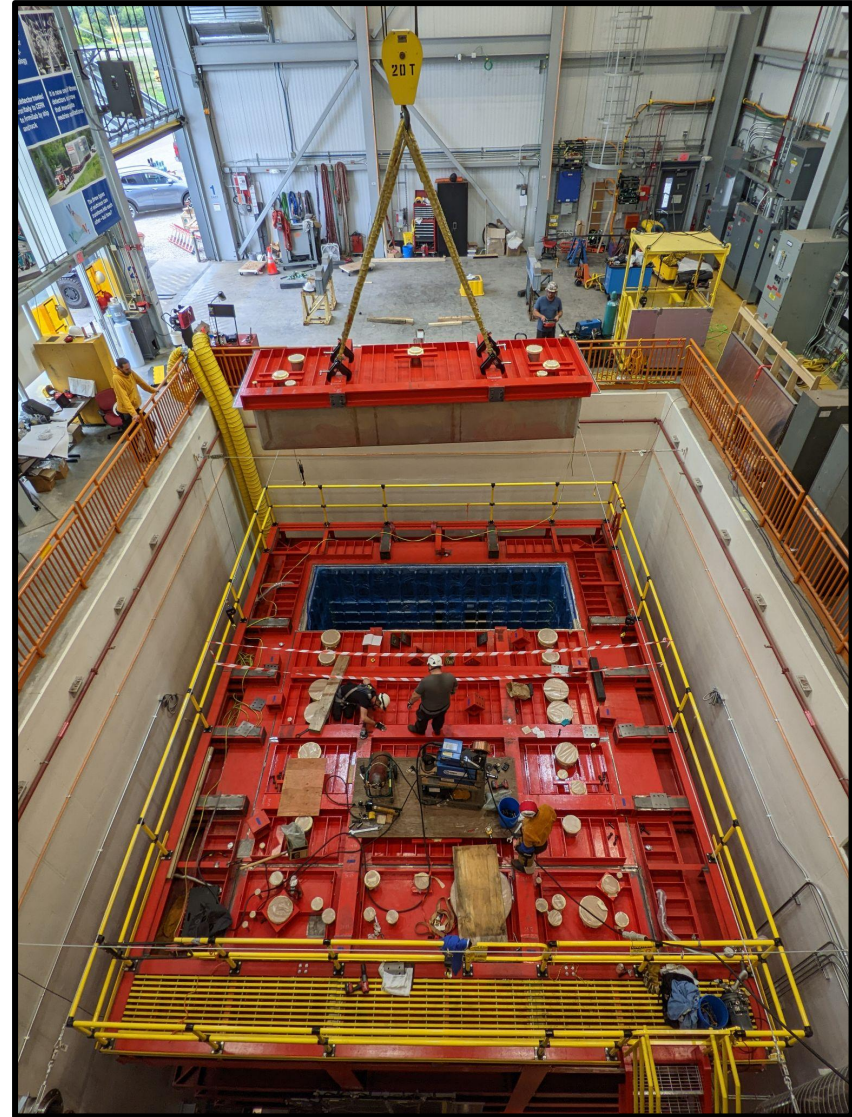
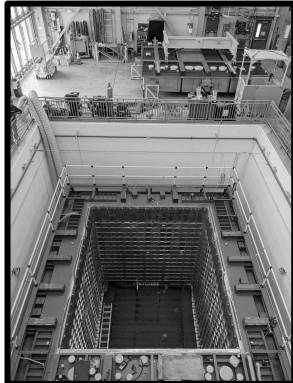
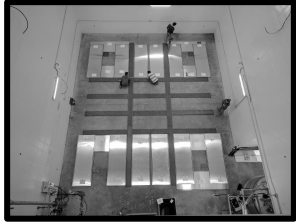


Cryostat + SBN-ND Building Preparation



Finished cryostat, September 2022

Cryostat + SBN-ND Building Preparation



Top caps with ports for cabling & instrumentation test installation, October 2022



The Road to Physics

Detector move: We will move the detector in the Assembly Transport Frame from assembly site to SBN-ND Building (permanent location of SBND).

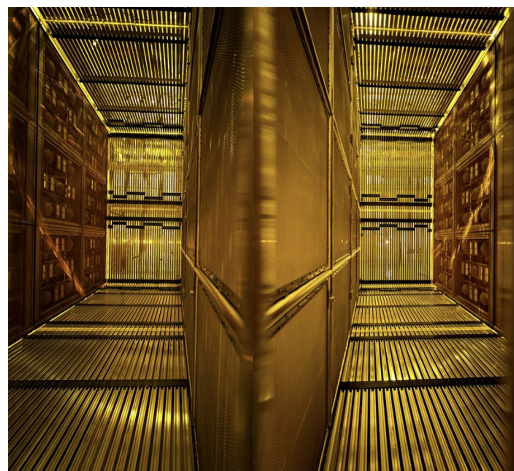
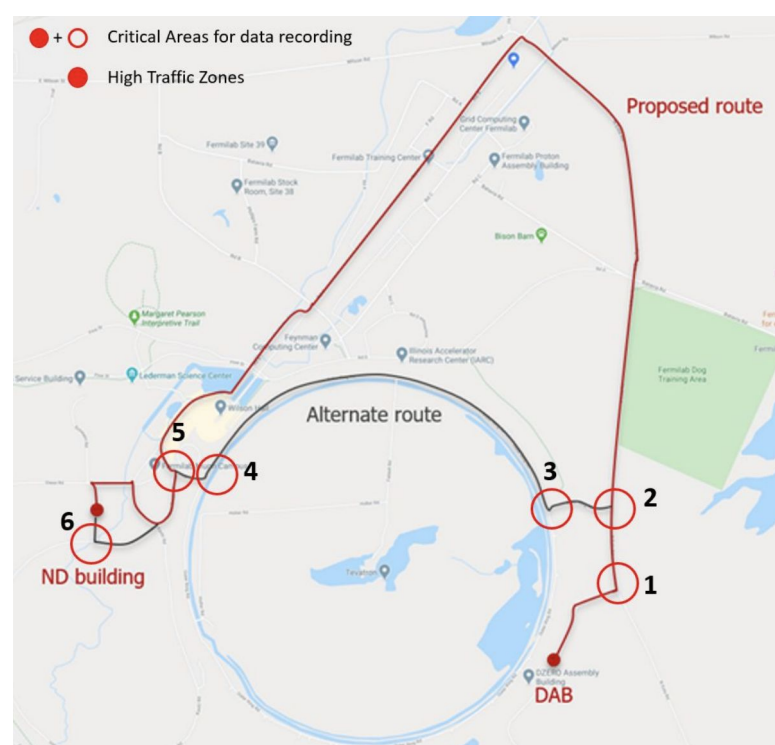
Planned for late November 2022.

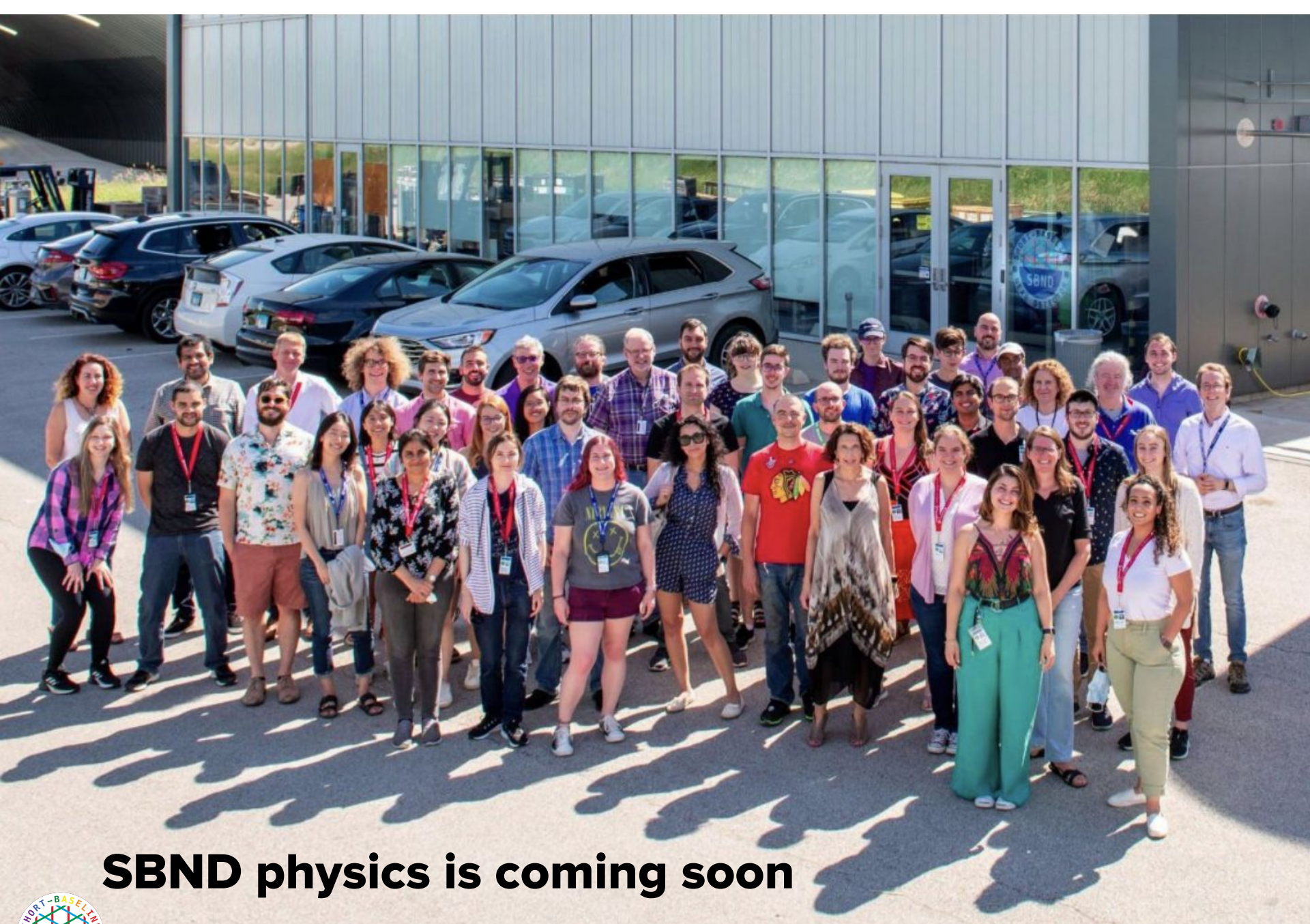
Activities at SBN-ND: Quality check of all detector subsystems, installation of instrumentation, finalizing cryogenics, lowering into position inside the cryostat, etc.

December 2022-early Summer 2023.

Filling of liquid argon & cold commissioning

Summer 2023.





SBND physics is coming soon



Backup



SBND Light Collection & Triggering

X-Arapuca technology
uses dichroic filters
and waveguides to
guide photons to SiPM

