

Design of the LBNF Beamline

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Neutrino Program at Fermilab



LBNF/DUNE Science Goals

LBNF/DUNE is a comprehensive program to:

- Measure neutrino oscillations
 - Direct determination of CP violation in the leptonic sector
 - Measurement of the CP phase δ
 - Determination of the neutrino mass hierarchy
 - Determination of the θ_{23} octant and other precision measurements
 - Testing the 3-flavor mixing paradigm
 - Precision measurements of neutrino interactions with matter
 - Searching for new physics

Start data taking ~ 2026

 $|\Delta m_{22}^2|$

- Study other fundamental physics enabled by a massive, underground detector
 - Search for nucleon decays (e.g. targeting SUSY-favored modes)
 - Measurement of neutrinos from galactic core collapse supernovae
 - Measurements with atmospheric neutrinos

Start data taking ~ 2024

 Δm_{12}^2

 $|\Delta m_{32}^2|$

Fermilab Accelerator Complex

- H⁻ linac
 - 400 MeV
- Booster
 - h = 84
 - 15 Hz
 - 400 MeV -> 8 GeV
- Recycler
 - h = 588
 - Slip-stack 12 batches (double bunch intensity)
- Main Injector
 - 8 GeV -> 120 GeV



LBNF proton beam extracted from MI-10 straight section



701 kW on the NuMI/NOvA target in one supercycle on June 13, 2016!! Proton Improvement Plan (PIP)

PIP-II (~2025)

- Key elements:
 - Replace existing 400 MeV linac with an 800 MeV linac capable of CW operation.
 - Higher energy + painting
 = more beam in Booster
 - Increase Booster rate to 20 Hz
 - "Modest" improvements to Recycler and MI
- Goals:
 - 1.2 MW @ 120 GeV
 - 100+ kW @ 800 MeV
 - Thanks to cryoplant from India



162.5 MHz325 MHz0.03 -10.3 MeV10.3-185 MeV



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Not to Scale

Primary Beamline

The primary beam designed to transport high intensity protons in the energy range of 60-120 GeV to the LBNF target, with repetition rate of 0.7-1.2 sec, and 10 μs pulse duration



Target Hall Layout



Decay Pipe Layout

- 194 m long, 4 m inside diameter
- Helium filled
- Double-wall, carbon steel decay pipe, with 20 cm annular gap
- 5.6 m thick concrete shielding
- It collects ~30% of the beam power, removed by an air cooling system





layer

Hadron Absorber

Absorber Hall and Service Building

The Absorber is designed for 2.4 MW ~ 30% of beam power in Absorber 515 kW in central core 225 kw in steel shielding

> Absorber Cooling Core: water-cooled Shielding: forced air-cooled



Overview of Beamline Muon Monitors

- 1. Array of Ionization Detectors that measure flux of all muons passing through (diamonds, Si)
 - Measure beam center and intensity
 - Spill by spill monitoring of beam

- 2. Threshold Gas Cherenkov Detector
 - Measure signal intensity at different gas pressures and detector orientations
 - Extract muon spectrum in alcove with the intention to constrain the neutrino flux

- 3. Stopped muon counters
 - Measure muon flux at several different energies
 - Robust measurement of beam flux and composition
 - Use to constrain neutrino flux



Testing prototypes at the NuMI beamline

Reference design baffle, target and horns - Viable for 1.2 MW

NuMI-like (low energy), with modest modifications



Protects target cooling structure and horns from errant beam pulses

47 graphite target segments, each 2 cm long and spaced 0.2 mm apart, 10 mm in width





Strong target R&D program in place

Inner Conductor of NuMI Horn



New Horn power supply needed to reduce the pulse width to 0.8 ms.

Baffle

Mechanical model for optimized horns & target





Horns constructed from 75% 6061-T6 aluminum forgings. Minimum fatigue life requirements of 100 million pulses for each design in the energy range from 60 – 120 GeV.

Preliminary optimization results



LBNF/DUNE Milestones

- Critical Decision-0 (CD-0) approved, January 8, 2010.
- CD-1 Refresh approved, November 5, 2015.
- CD-3a approval expected in December 2016 (far-site pre-excavation and excavation).
- Beamline optimization conceptual design ready for review, September 2017.
- CD-3b approval expected in April 2019 (near-site embankment placement).
- CD-2/CD-3c expected in March 2020 (baselining and start of construction).
- Beamline installation and checkout complete, August 2026.
- LBNF complete, December 2026.

Conclusions

- Significant progress with preliminary design and beam optimization effort in all Beamline systems.
- Need to advance the conceptual design and take decisions on alternative/optimized options very soon since in October 2017 we need to start working on a definite preliminary design.
- Lots of opportunities for collaboration on the design of specific Beamline components as well as on beam simulations and R&D efforts.
- Now is the time to join the Beamline effort and make a substantial difference.
- We are excited and looking forward to design and build this Beamline working together with all our international partners!!

Backup

Fermilab Accelerator Complex



Facility and Experiment

- **LBNF**: provides facility infrastructure at two locations to support the experiment:
 - Near site: Fermilab, Batavia, IL facilities and infrastructure to create neutrino beam and host the near DUNE detector
 - Far site: Sanford Underground Research Facility, Lead, SD facilities to support the far DUNE detectors
- **DUNE**: Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment
 - Near and far site detectors



LBNF Beam Operating Parameters

Summary of key Beamline design parameters for \leq 1.2 MW and \leq 2.4 MW operation

Parameter	Protons per cycle	Cycle Time (sec)	Beam Power (MW)
≤ 1.2 MW Operation - Current Maximum Value for LBNF			
Proton Beam Energy (GeV):			
60	7.5E+13	0.7	1.03
80	7.5E+13	0.9	1.07
120	7.5E+13	1.2	1.20
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60	1.5E+14	0.7	2.06
80	1.5E+14	0.9	2.14
120	1.5E+14	1.2	2.40

(1.1 – 1.9)x10²¹ POT/yr

Pulse duration: 10 µs

Beamline for a new Long-Baseline Neutrino Facility MI-10 Extraction, Shallow Beam

Beamline Facility contained within Fermilab property



All systems designed for 1.2 MW initial proton beam power (PIP-II). Facility is upgradeable to 2.4 MW proton beam power.

Pictures of NuMI Horns & Power Supplies



New Horn power supply needed for LBNF to reduce the pulse width to 0.8 ms.

Current Work on Muon Monitors



Stopped Muon Counter

- Small Cherenkov volume surrounded by scintillating veto
- Measure stopped µ decays downstream of the absorber after beam pulse ends

Stopping muons have a fixed range: an array of detectors can measure a spectrum instead of just an integral above a threshold

- Muon lifetime fit allows for subtraction of any non-muon background
- Prototype production/testing underway at U. Colorado
- Will use custom PMT bases developed at Drexel to gate off PMTs during high-rate beam pulse, only operate tube after beam later, when muons are decaying

- Testing several possible technologies at the NuMI beamline
 - Diamond detectors, gas Cherenkov detector
- Studying detector operation and long-term stability
- Hope to measure muon flux using scans of Cherenkov detector angle and pressure



Scope of re-optimization

- Horns (long lead items)
- Target
- Integration/mounting of target into horn, baffle mounting, etc.
- Alternative option of gas in target chase
- Absorber
- Associated Modeling
- Associated Radiation Protection
- Horn support modules (three)
- Horn power supply (ies) (0.8 ms)
- Remote handling (casks, morgue capacity analysis, workcell,..)
- Associated Conventional Facilities

Preliminary optimization results



Beryllium R&D

- Be Strength Model Testing and **Development at Southwest Research Institute**
 - Testing complete
 - Strength model development on track to be complete in June
 - Will be used to benchmark with HiRadMat BeGrid results
- HiRadMat (CERN) BeGrid **Experiment PIE**
 - Profilometry of all exposed samples completed
 - Preliminary results indicate
 - less deformation than predicted with extrapolated strength model
 - One Be grade (S200FH) shows consistently less deformation than the others
 - Repeated pulses resulted in plastic strain ratcheting





Graphite R&D

- NuMI Target (NT-02) graphite PIE at PNNL preliminary results:
 - Evidence of swelling in highly irradiated areas (2 5%)
 - Nature of impurities on fracture surface indicates cracking occurred during operation
 - Not much evidence of displacement damage in area away from beam
 - Currently examining area near beam center via TEM
 - Will use these results to bench-mark with other irradiations (lower energy, higher current)







Other ongoing HPT R&D Activities

- Continuation of studies on NuMI primary beam window at Oxford
- Preparation for RaDIATE irradiation run at BNL's BLIP facility
 - Hundreds of samples
 - Be, Graphite, Glassy Carbon, Ti alloys, Si, TZM, Ir
 - In collaboration with FRIB, J-PARC, BNL, CERN, ESS
- Preparation for LE ion irradiations
 - Possibly at Michigan, Surrey, and Notre Dame Universities







