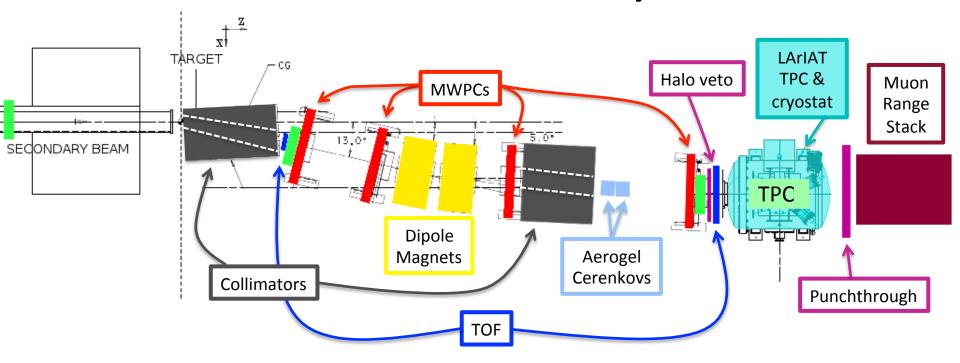
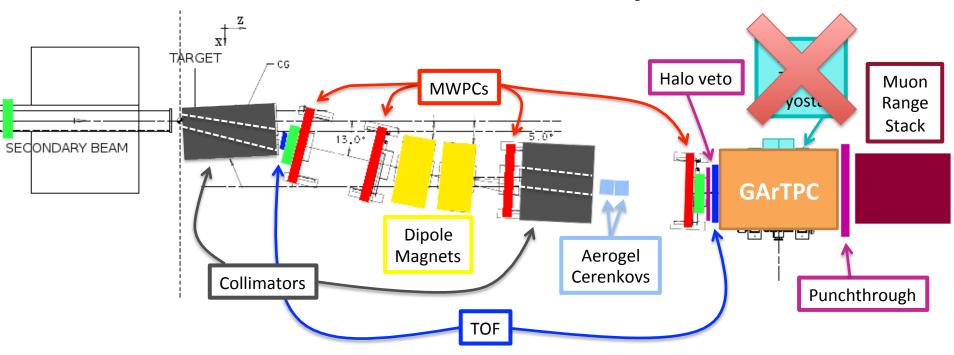
Plans for LArIAT Run-III & High-pressure GArTPC

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 Replace LArIAT TPC & cryostat with GArTPC in pressure vessel, leave all other beam components in place

Observations from LArIAT Run-II

- LAr filter becomes saturated, and must be regenerated every ~5-6 weeks
 - ~1.5 weeks downtime for regeneration
- Opening cryostat front flanges: 1 full week
 - 2-3 full days to clear space in front of cryostat (done by LArIAT collaborators)
 - 1/2 day to open inner and outer flanges (techs)
 - 1/2 day to replace flanges (techs)
 - 2-3 days to replace beamline elements in front of cryostat (LArIAT collaborators)

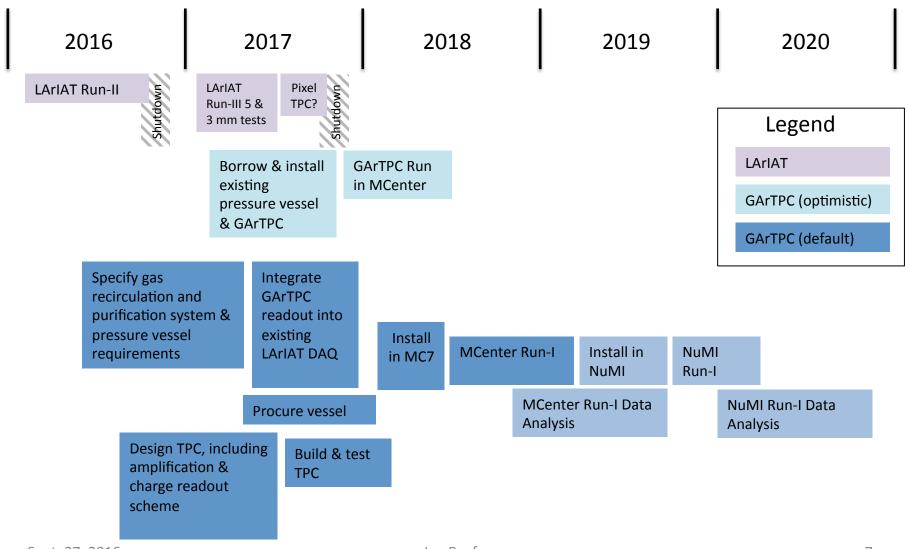
LArIAT Run-III (tentative)

- Oct 1 Jan 31: Prep for Run-III (MCenter activities only)
 - 2-3 days: Move some beamline elements (downstream collimator, cosmic stands, downstream TOF & halo veto)
 - ~1 day: Open front flange (requires techs & fork truck)
 - ~2 weeks: Refurbish TPC (change to 5 mm wire pitch)
 - ~2 days: Reinstall TPC, close front flange
 - 2-3 days: Replace beamline elements
- Feb 1 ~Mar 10: 5mm wire pitch data-collection
- ~Mar 10 Apr 1
 - Filter regeneration + TPC modification (same steps above)
- ~Apr 1 May 15: 3mm wire pitch data-collection
- May 15 June 1: Filter regeneration & swap TPC
- June 1 shutdown (July?):
 - Possibly: new pixel-readout TPC from Bern

GArTPC Optimistic Plan

- Possibly can borrow existing pressure vessel from BNL and existing GArTPC (NEXT-DEMO) from Dave Nygren
- Would have shorter timeline to enable collection of GArTPC data before DUNE Near Detector CD-1 Review
- Details not yet worked out (this possibility only came to light in the past week)

Timeline as a whole (roughly)



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GArTPC 5 Year Plan/Timeline (default)

Year 1

- Develop specifications for gas purification and recirculation system and pressure vessel, request for bids, vessel procurement
- Layout of purification/recirc system within MCenter test beam enclosure, and within NOvA ND hall in NuMI underground
- Design of TPC amplification and charge readout scheme

Year 2

- Finalize TPC design, acquire materials, assemble detector
- Integrate GArTPC readout with existing LArIAT DAQ
- Install pressure vessel and purification system in MCenter

Year 3

- Complete detector assembly, test with cosmics
- Operation in MCenter tertiary beam
- Begin analysis of charged particle beam data
- Plan for detector move to NuMI neutrino beam

Year 4

- Continued analysis of test beam data
- Move detector and associated systems to NuMI beamline

Year 5

- Operation in NuMI neutrino beam
- Analysis of test beam data and neutrino beam data