Photon Detector Data Products

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Timing



- Light emitted with two different time constants
 - $\sim 1/4$ emitted promptly ($\tau = 6$ ns)
 - $\sim 3/4$ emitted late ($\tau = \sim 5 \mu s$)
- Note that even the "slow" light is much faster than the drift time (ms)
- The SiPMs also have a time constant of $\sim 0.5 \ \mu s$, so each photon signal lasts a couple μs .

Waveforms

- The lowest-level object you're likely to run into.
 - Raw waveform data unpacked into this object.
 - Electronics simulation produces this object
- raw::OpDetWaveform
 - A vector of shorts
 - Timestamp of first sample
 - Channel #
 - Note that there are 4 channels/photon detector bar



Optical Hits

- A hit is a signal at a particular time on a particular channel.
 - Often not a single photon.
 - It will merge several photons which come close in time to one another.



- Time of the peak, relative and absolute
- Width, Area, Height of peak
- **–** PE
 - Converted from Area for DUNE



Flashes

- A "Flash" is intended to correspond to physics in the detector producing light.
 - Like a track, but you expect only 1 per interaction.
 - Made up of hits coincident in time.
- recob::OpFlash
 - Time, width in time
 - Position, width in Y and Z
 - Weighted average of PDs with hits
 - TotalPE
 - PE on each channel



Caveat about Positions in ProtoDUNE

- In protoDUNE, there are only 3 bins of photon detectors in the Z-direction.
- We do not get the Zposition right for entering events since we don't have the resolution in that direction.

