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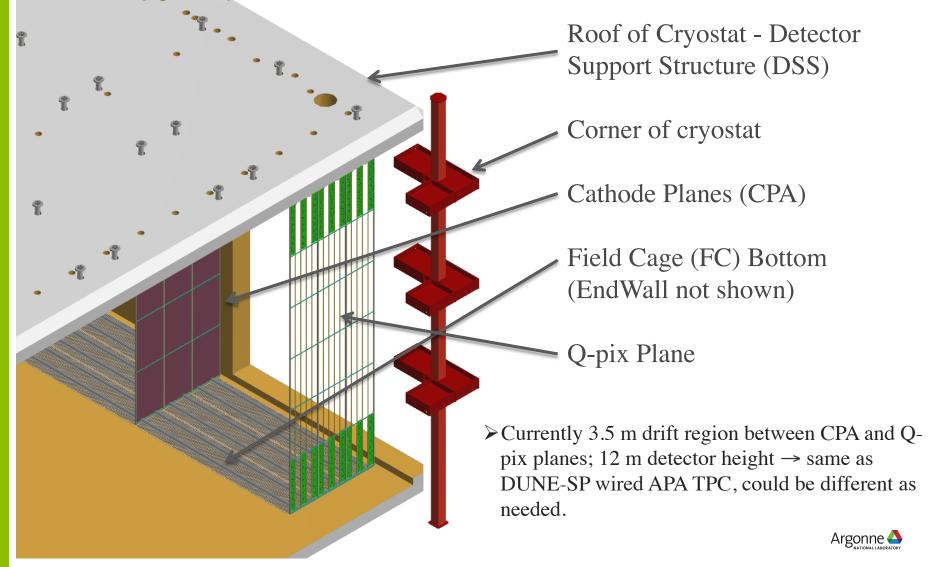
#### Argonne Focus on Q-pix

- Mechanical and Electrical Engineering design of Q-Pix Pixel Board and Support Structure
- Development of novel photo-detection techniques and materials for light detection
- Science Interest and Opportunities

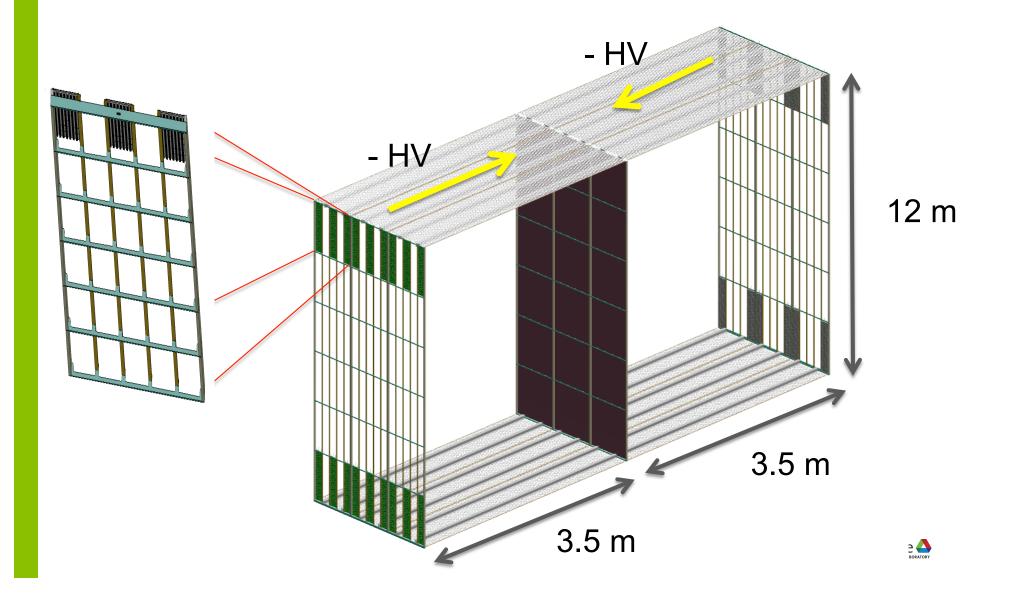


Overview of Q-pix based DUNE Far Detector

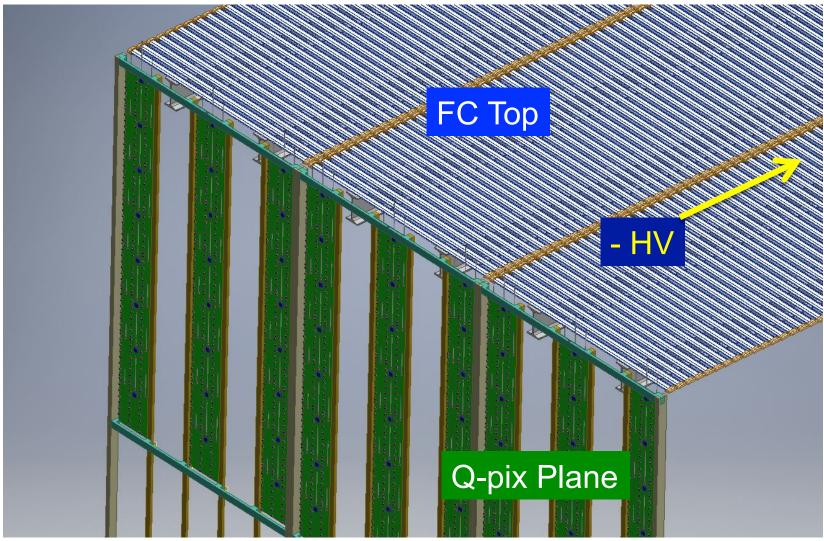
 Led by Vic Guarino (Argonne EOF Division) and HEP scientists K. Byrum,
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• Two drift volumes showing Top/Bottom Field Cage, CPA in middle and Q-pix planes at each end

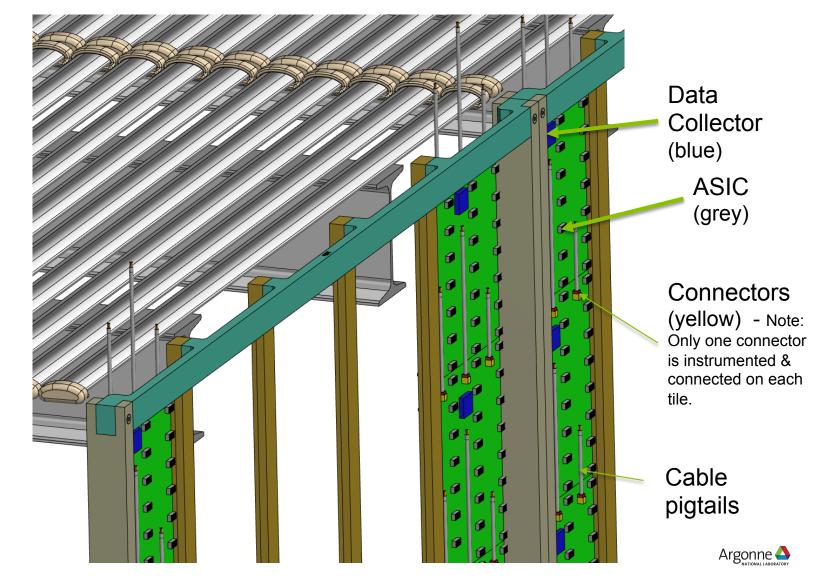


• Field cage top with Q-pix plane

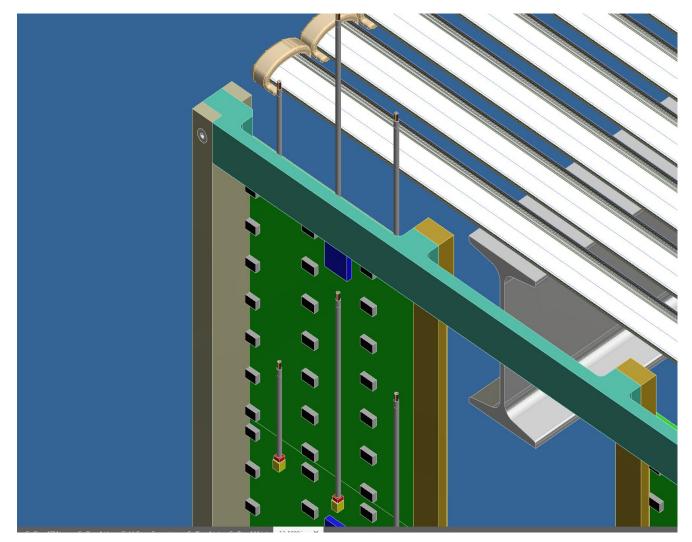


3/5 Qpix panels shown in the plane (Green)
 Wires shown exiting top of Q-pix plane are examples (small subset of total!) Argonne

Close-up view of the top of FC and Q-pix Plane
 -Cable lines, ASICs, Data Collector, Connectors and Cables



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- > Next Steps
  - Short-term

-Completion of Q-pix electro-mechanical design for the 10-kton DUNE Module of opportunity

-Electronics support from ANL Physics, TBD

-Initial cost estimate for 10-kton module

• Longer-term

-Further refinement of Q-pix electro-mechanical design

-Electronics support within HEP

-Q-pix Prototype Design and Fabrication



#### Photon Detection

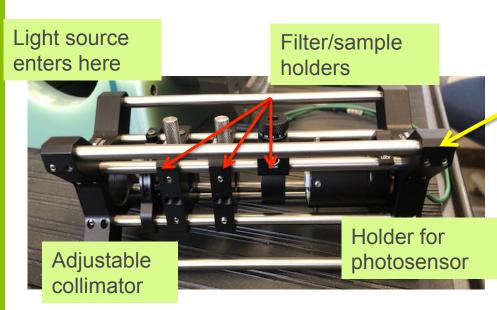
- > ANL UV conversion material research
  - Ongoing program to develop nanoparticle wavelength shifters tuned to specific absorption wavelength and emission wavelength.
  - Goal: identify nanoparticle for detection of light at 128 nm and 175 nm (Argon & Xenon) and study applicability to both neutrino and DM experiments.
  - ANL role: test candidates and characterize in terms of absorption, wavelength-shift size, emission.
  - Research on materials for direct conversion of UV to electron/(holes) draws on expertise of Argonne Materials Science Division (MSD)

     Alex Martinson (MSD) has experience in areas of solar conversion materials and optoelectronic processes; could provide 20% of his time researching materials and processes specific for liquid argon UV detection.
  - Steve Magill is leading a research on nanoparticle wavelength shifters for Ar and Xe light detection (SBIR grant with CapeSym, Inc).

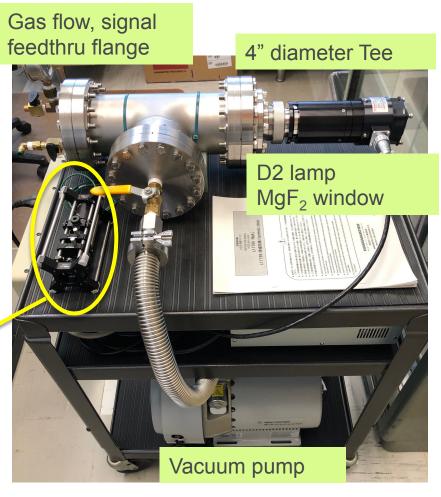
• Nanoparticle wavelength shifting research for detection of Argon and Xenon light (SBIR grant with CapeSym, Inc)

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- Low Wavelength Filter Testing Device
  - Tests of UV absorption and visible emission by nanoparticles (SBIR)
  - Vacuum or gas flow operation
  - Transmission or reflection measurements

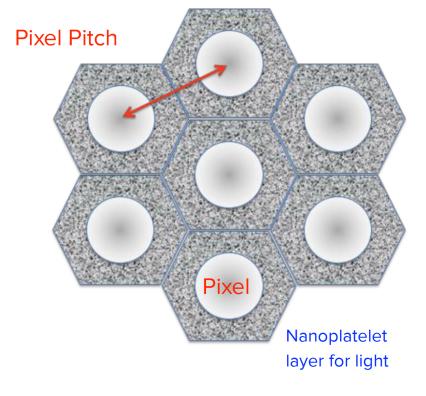


Insert fits inside Tee - aligned with lamp



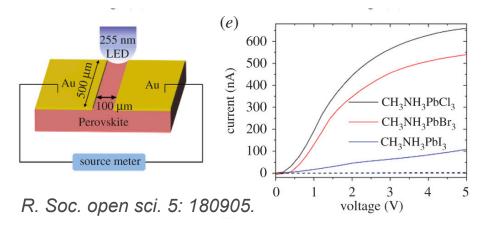
So far – 4 out of 9 samples from CapeSym tested – eager to get back to testing!

- Nanoplatelets Approach
  - The charge collection pixels are isolated using the photon sensors.
  - The pixel plane is made of a substrate material with nanoplatelets deposited on the substrate, readout on the back side (outside of TPC)
  - Nanoplatelets absorb VUV photons, generate electrons: direct conversion of photons to current.
  - Current SBIR grant with CapeSym, Inc. (8/19–4-20) to identify nano candidates sensitive to 128 nm and 175 nm form into nanoplatelets direct signal.
  - Collaboration with Argonne Nano-Science and Technology (NST) Division





- Halide Perovskite Approach
- In addition to amorphous selenium, halide perovskites are a potentially very interesting candidate for UV photodetection.
- Perovskite: A generic term for any material with the same crystal structure at CaTiO<sub>3</sub>.
- Base material for new high-efficiency solar photovoltaics. Methylammonium halides are being studied for their excellent charge carrier mobility and lifetime.
- Sensitivity to deepest UV (100-300 nm) is largely untested
- Low temperature operation untested
- Stability is a challenge (H<sub>2</sub>O sensitivity)
- Low temperature stability untested



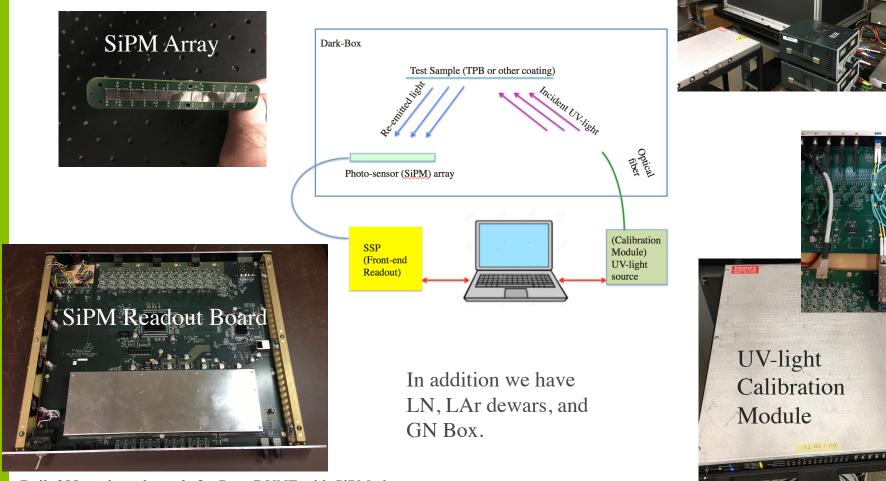


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• Photon-Detector R&D test-stand for wavelength-shift materials and photo-sensor tests

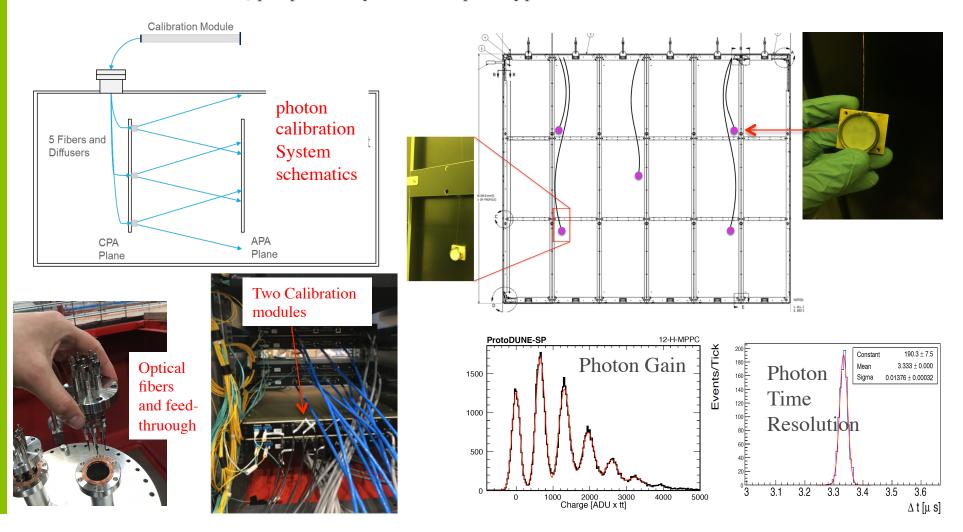
Dark Box

- -Ready for testing of new materials and SiPMs
- -Expertise with photon readout systems and calibration
- -To be used by Q-pix collaborators



Built 288 readout channels for ProtoDUNE with SiPM photo-sensors

- ➢ Related photon-detection R&D at Argonne: DUNE photon-detector calibration system
  - The system emits UV-light: electronics module -> fiber (through cryostat) -> point-like diffusers
     -Result: distribute UV light from cathode to photon detector at anode
     -Fully integrated with DAQ/timing, emits light with desired intensity and repetition rate
     -Full test and verification completed with ProtoDUNE => will equip full DUNE SP FD
  - Potential use for Q-pix photon system tests/prototypes/detectors



- > Next Steps
  - Short term
    - -Identify and test promising perovskite materials
    - -Continued work to identify nanoparticle wavelength shifters for UV 128nm and 175nm
    - -Collaborative work with Argonne Nanoscience & Technology Division on nanoplatelet concept
    - -Research material candidates for direct UV→electron conversion
    - -Optical test setups at Argonne (two existing setups) are available for material tests.
    - -Explore potential SiPM-based photon detector with Q-pix
  - Longer-term
    - -Continue exploring DUNE physics sensitivity with efficient photon-detectors (see next slides)
    - -Integrate UV→electron candidate material into pixel board design. Produce and test actual prototype board
    - -Design the SiPM-based photo detector with Q-pix, if decided
    - -Incorporate prototype into ProtoDUNE or ArgonCUBE prototypes when needed.

- Ultimate science goal is to provide a definite measurement of CP-violation, and to enhance a sensitivity to other deep underground physics
  - -Capable additional Far Detector (Q-pix based) increasingly important to reach DUNE science goals

-Use advantages of pixelated readout: expected with a lower noise and a lower energy threshold compared to conventional wire-APA

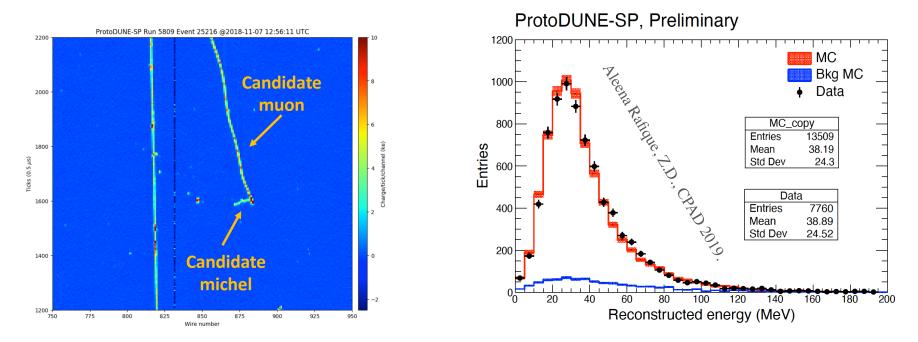
- Argonne is exploring several opportunities to improve physics sensitivity -Low-energy physics
  - -Use LAr scintillation light information
  - -Improve energy resolution by charge + light information
- We have started on these topics with the SP ProtoDUNE/DUNE

   Potential to carry these studies to Q-pix based detector
   Potential to add Argonne High-Performance Computing to development efforts



• Argonne group is addressing DUNE low-energy physics via Michel electron studies

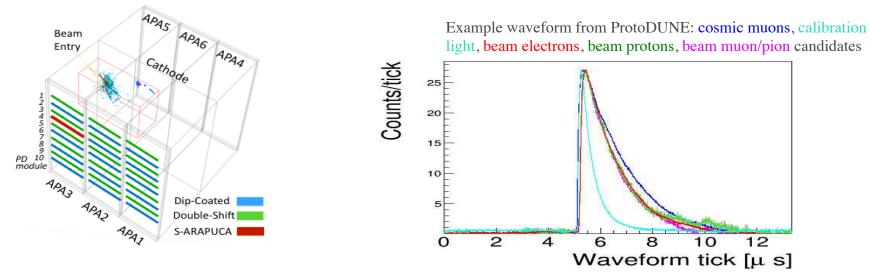
-Our goal is to provide reconstruction and calibration algorithm to be used from Far Detector day one



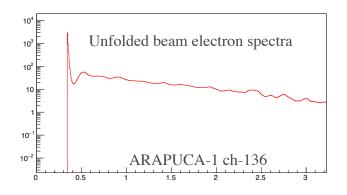
- Preliminary energy resolution of reconstructed Michel electrons ~28%
   -this is expected to improve with Q-pix readout (lower noise, low det. threshold)
- Potential to extend above studies to Q-pix detector and compare two technologies
   -will need simulated data
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LAr scintillation light information - contained in photon-detector signal waveforms

 Particle ID information contained in pulse-shape (singlet vs triplet light components)
 Aka prompt vs delayed light ratio: different for different particle species?



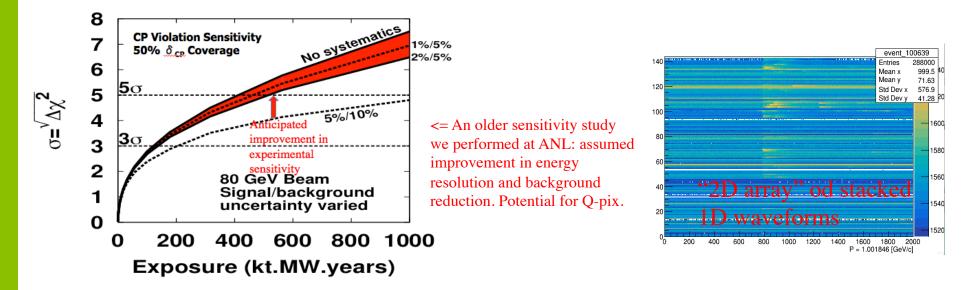
- We are currently studying this with an IMSA student -Use collected ProtoDUNE-SP photon det. data -Compare beam electrons vs cosmic-ray muons
- Will this provide additional PID information?
   -Can we separate electrons from muons?
   -Is the late light important for Far Detector?



• We submitted an Exploratory AI/ML LDRD in March: "Achieving unprecedented sensitivity in DUNE neutrino experiment using raw data information"

1) use Machine Learning to recognize light wave form (previous slide) and "learn" particle energy

- 2) understand how to combine light and charge to achieve unprecedented energy resolution (potential improvement in energy resolution ~50%, with event-by-event basis)
- TPC data is 2D image data with a slow timescale, while the optical data is 1D time series data/channel -"Combining these datasets in a meaningful way is an important and unfilled challenge".



• Opportunities with ANL High Performance Computing for Q-pix (w Corey Adams et al.): simulation, reconstruction

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- -Currently hold a sample of 10M simulated Geant4 events
- -Further discussion with Q-pix group is needed on how to synchronize simulation effort.
- We are interested to run simulation at Argonn<sup>20</sup> "super" computers

Electron ID/pi0 rejection algorithm using machine learning

#### • Learning process

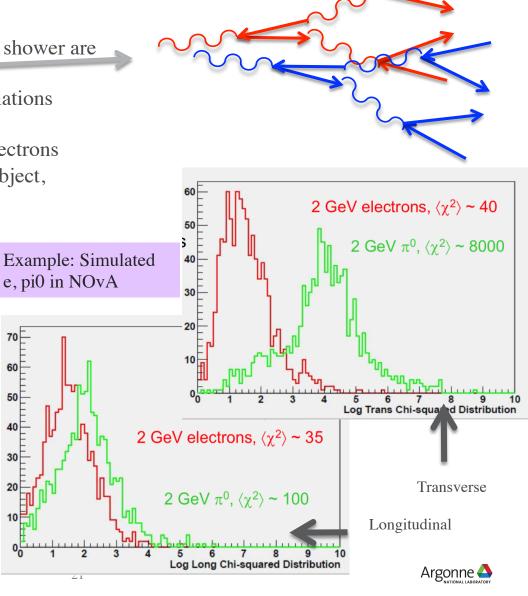
- -Energy deposits in an electromagnetic shower are highly correlated
- -Form a covariance matrix of the correlations
- between hits in an EM shower
- -Matrix generated from MC or Data electrons
- -Use inverted matrix to test hits in an object, forming a Chi2.

#### • Advantages of this method:

-Uses basic detector objects - starts with *highest purity objects* available in the event

-Relies on *most basic correlations between objects* to ID source of the objects

-Training can be done on MC *or on real Data* if available.



- Next Steps: we won't be able to do everything these are opportunities we are looking at
  - Short-term
    - -Complete Michel electron studies with DUNE/protoDUNE-SP; publish
    - -Summarize ongoing waveform studies
    - -Start on exploratory Machine Learning LDRD on light and charge (if funded)
  - Longer-term
    - -Perform optimized energy resolution studies (charge + light)
    - -Run Michel electron reco algorithm with Q-pix simulation
    - -Use Argonne AI/ML/simulation capabilities in Q-pix simulation, reconstruction
    - -Perform Physics sensitivity studies with improvement above



#### Summary

- ANL group will continue to lead mechanical design of the pixelated anode and high-voltage systems, leveraging expertise from DUNE and ProtoDUNE efforts

   Assuming availability of an electronics engineer at ANL, develop cost estimate for full Q-pix based Far Detector for DUNE
- ANL will collaborate with Q-pix groups to test novel ANL solutions (MSD, NST et al.) and schemes for light collection and detection

-Test stands for tests of new materials are in place. This should support a development of baseline concept of a photon-detector system for DUNE Q-pix, with new materials and/or with SiPMs

- We will contribute to Q-pix white paper
- Contributions using ANL High Performance Computing (HPC) in support of pixelated detector simulation and AI/ML reconstruction

   Leverage Argonne Leadership Computing Facility (ALCF), ALCF and HEP science teams
- Argonne participation of above roles will enhance prototyping and demonstration of Qpix concept with either ProtoDUNE or ArgonCUBE prototypes.

#### THANK YOU!

