



DUNE: Progress and Physics

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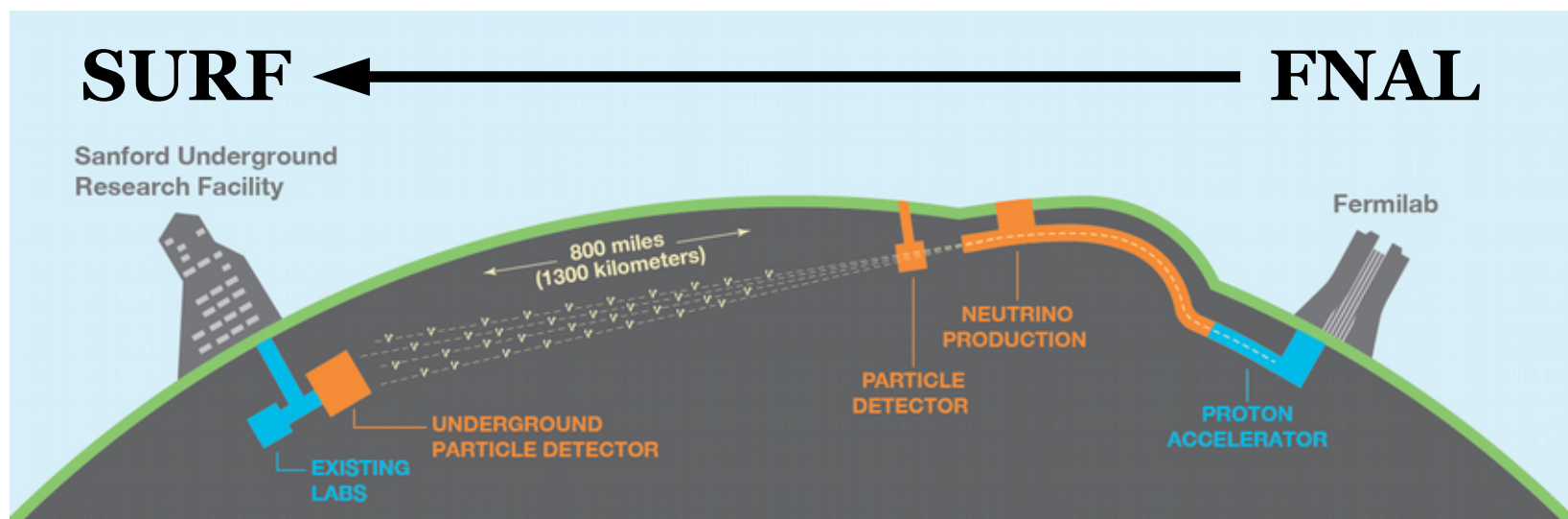
Introducing DUNE

◆ “Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment”

- 1300 km baseline
- Large (70 kt) LArTPC **far detector** 1.5 km underground
- **Near detector** w/ LAr component

◆ Primary physics goals:

- ν oscillations ($\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ disappearance, $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ appearance)
 - $\delta_{CP}, \theta_{23}, \theta_{13}$
 - **Ordering of ν masses**
- Supernova burst neutrinos
- BSM processes (baryon number violation, NSI, etc.)

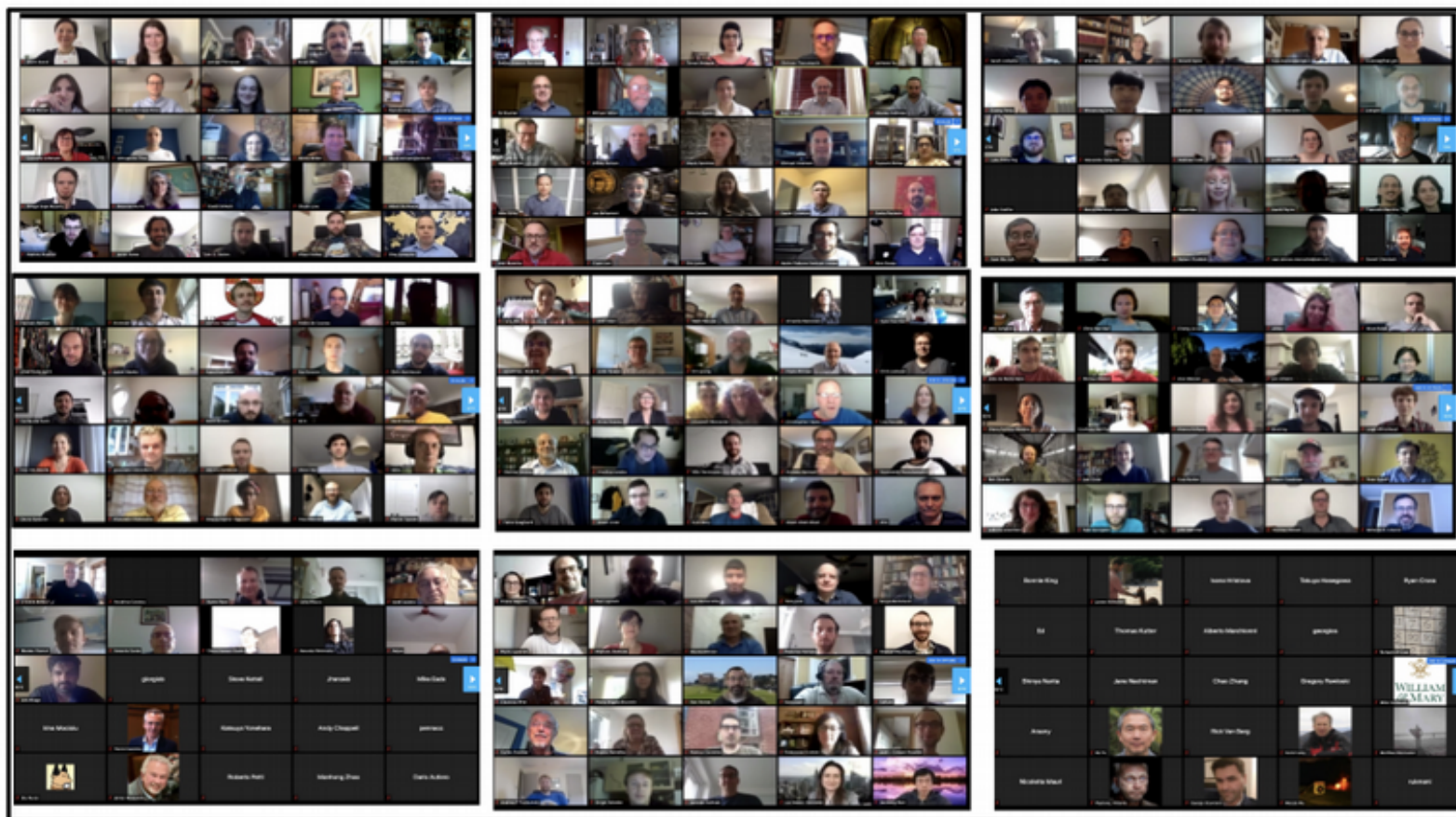


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May 2019 Collaboration Meeting

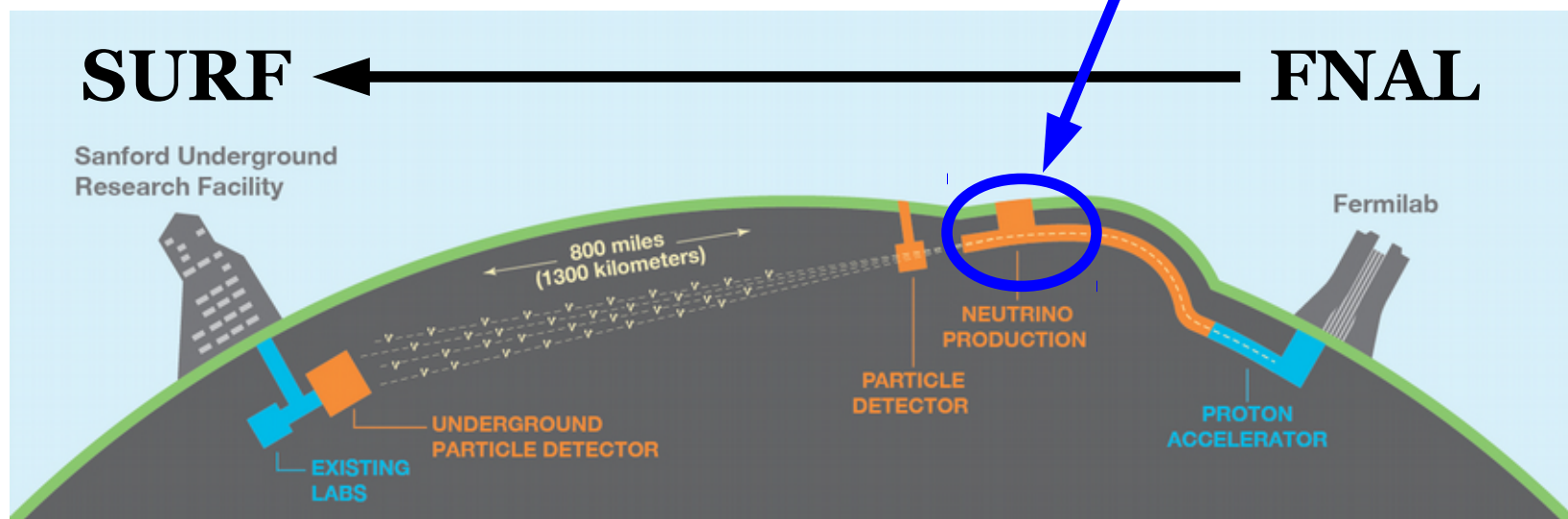
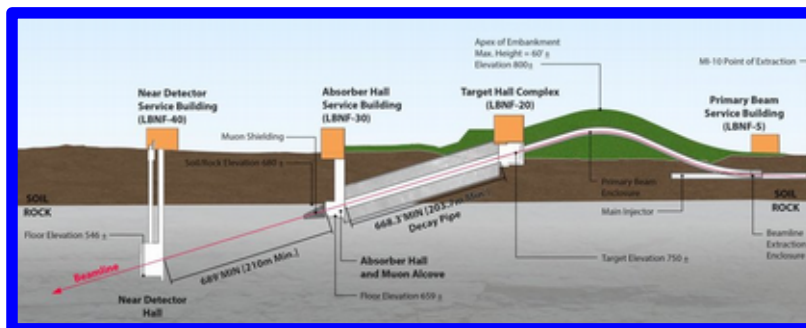
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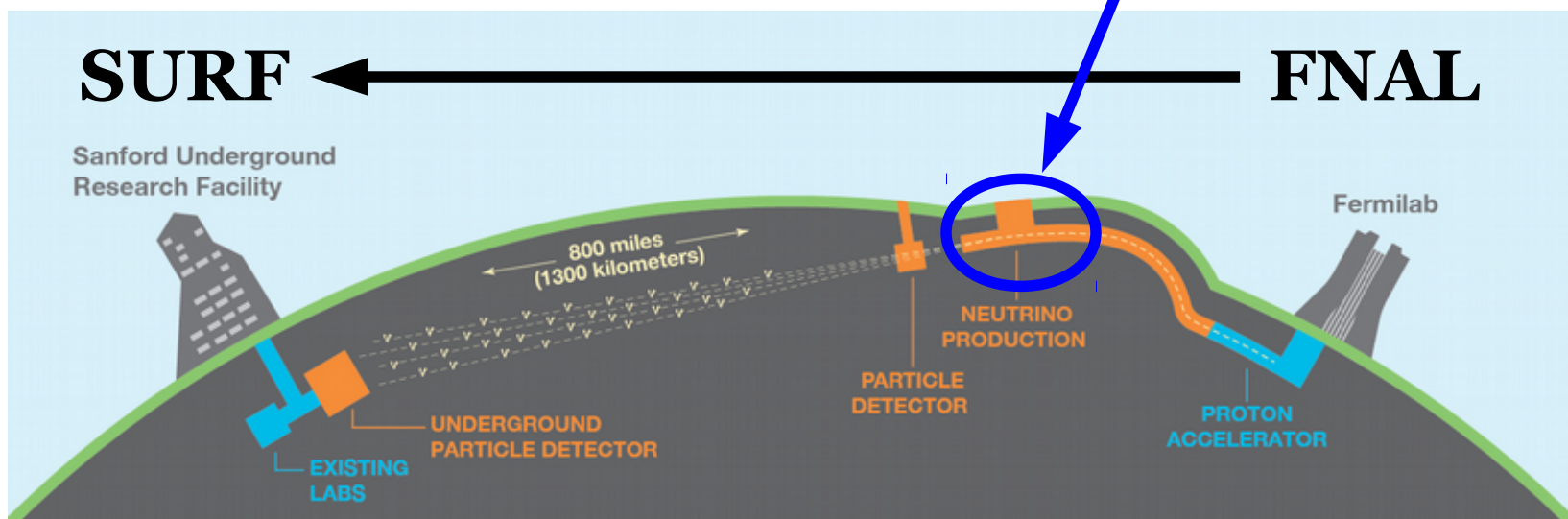
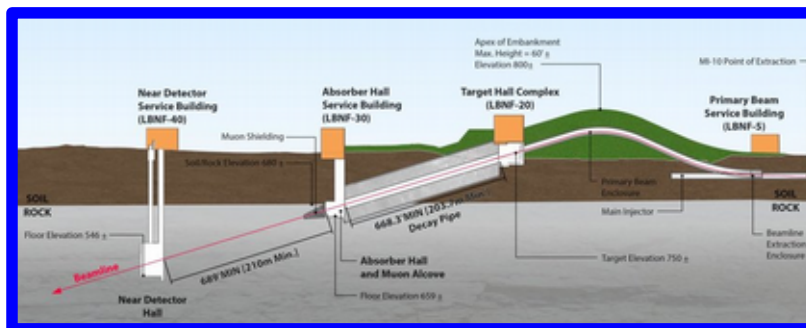
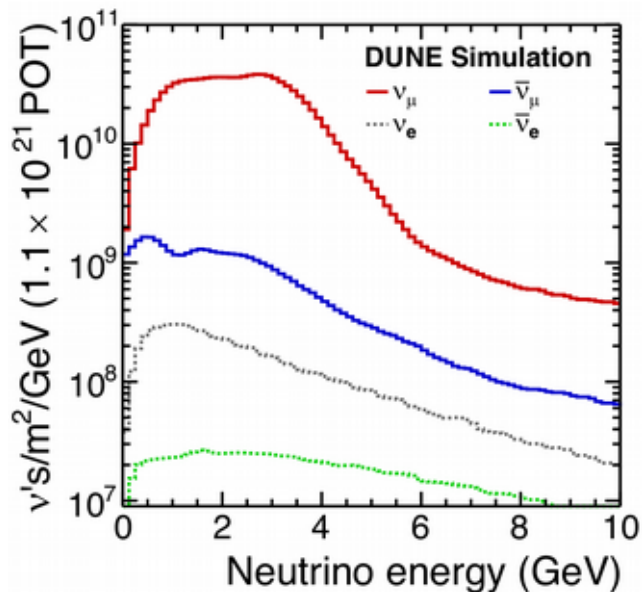
May 2020 Collaboration Photo

Beam and Detectors

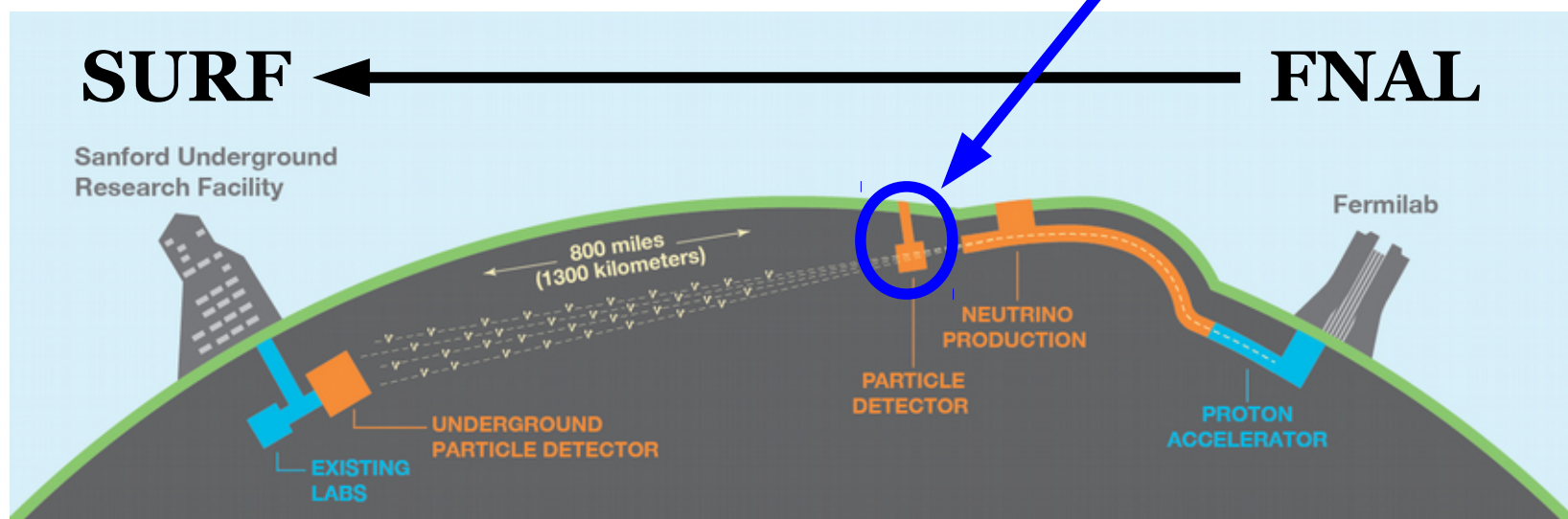
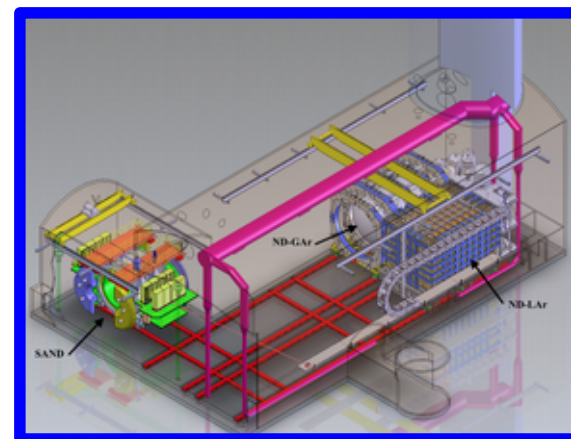
DUNE's Neutrino Source: LBNF Beam

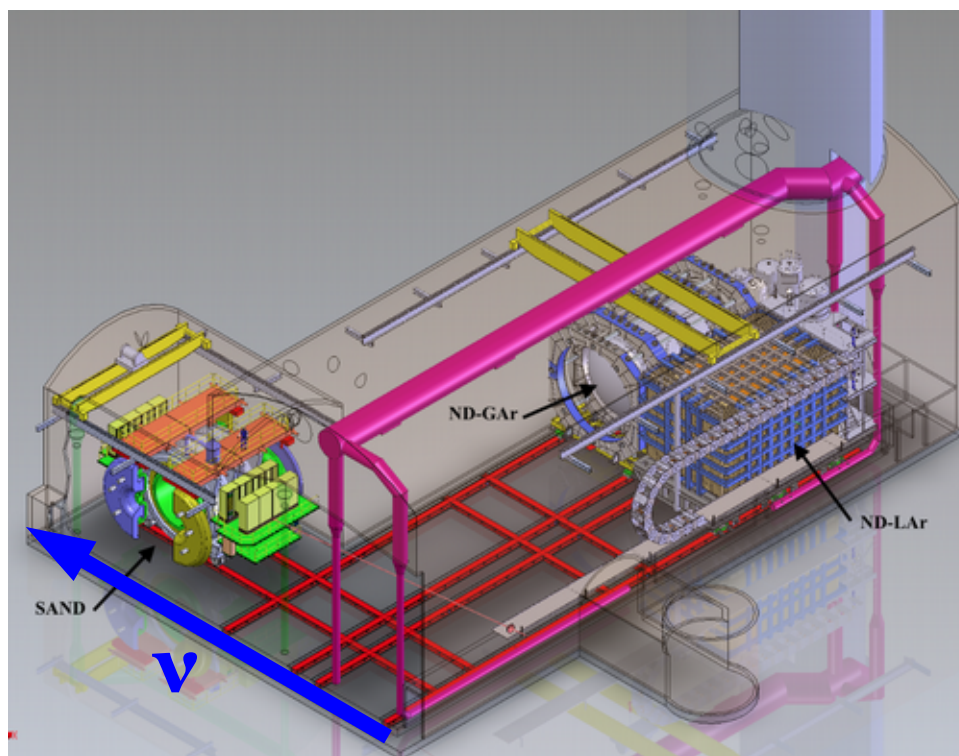


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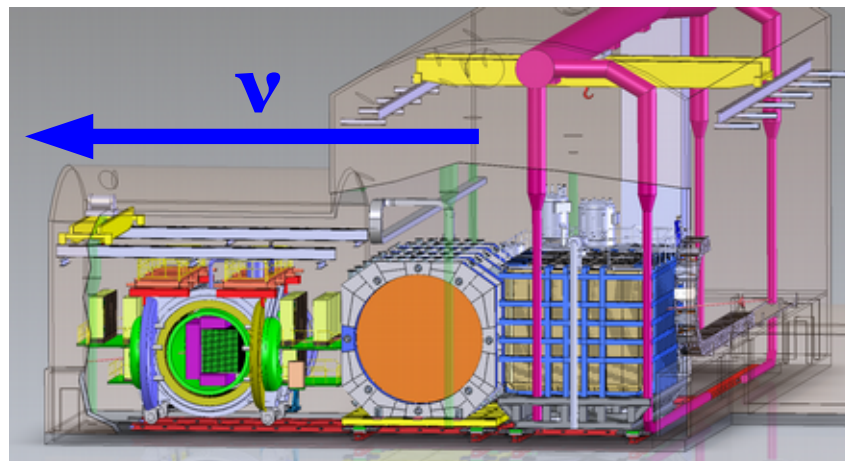
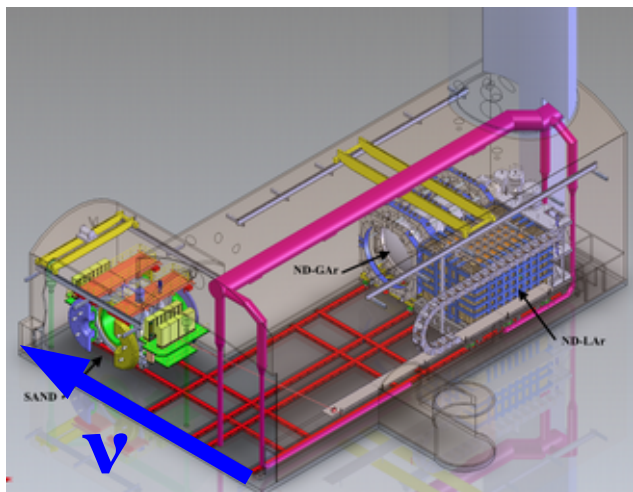


The DUNE Near Detector





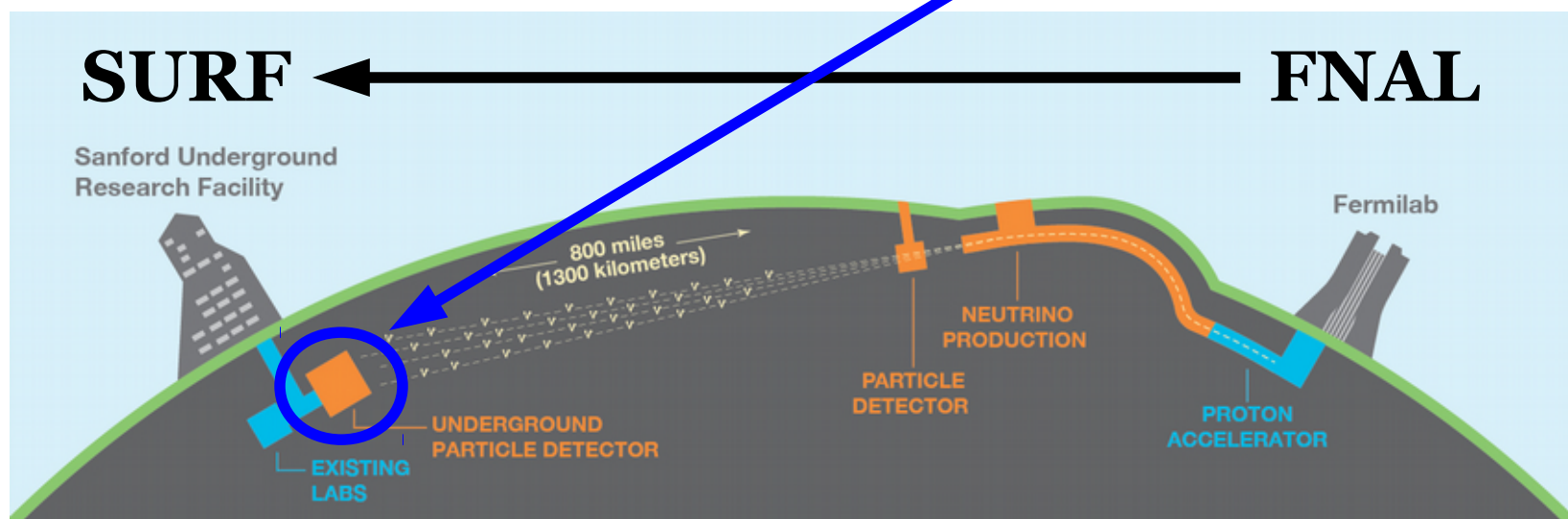
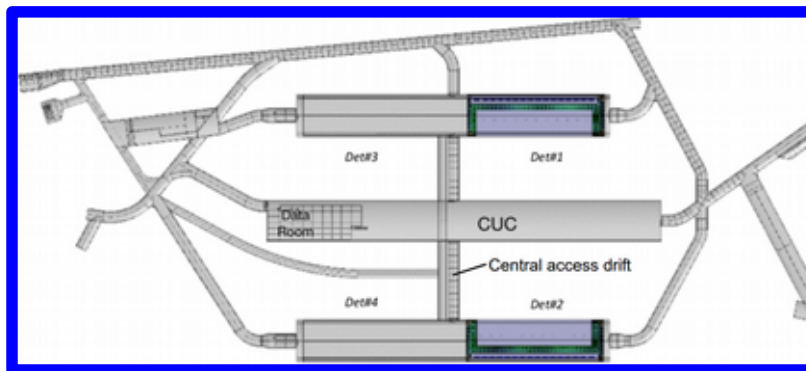
- ◆ DUNE ND located 574 m from neutrino beam target
- ◆ Primary purpose is to **characterize neutrino beam** and **constrain cross section uncertainties** in long-baseline neutrino oscillation analysis



SAND ND-GAr ND-LAr

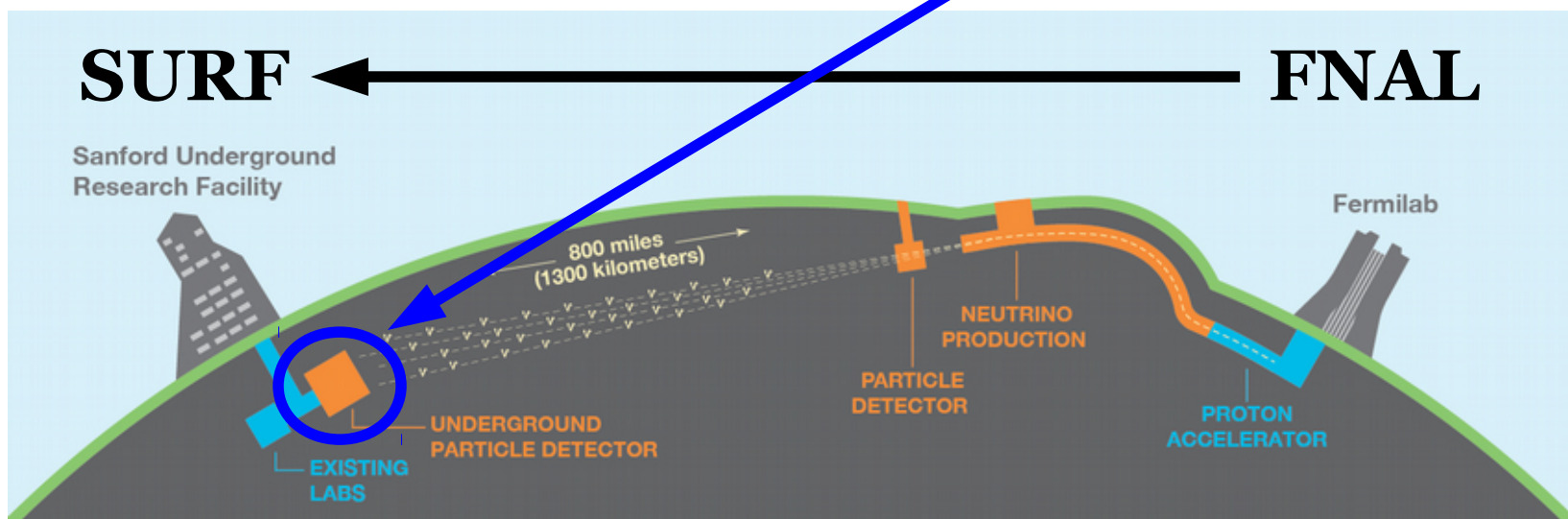
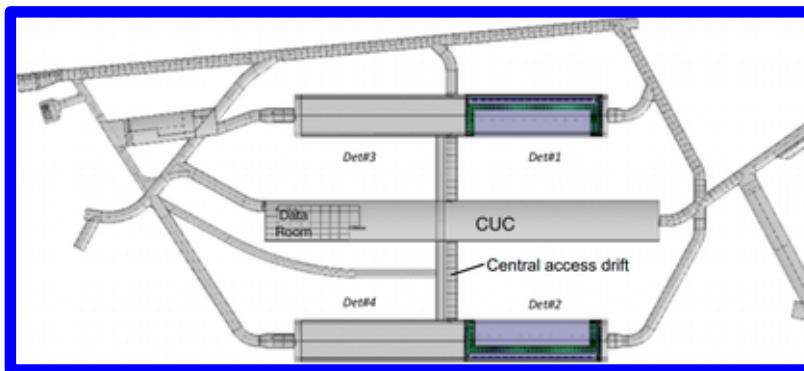
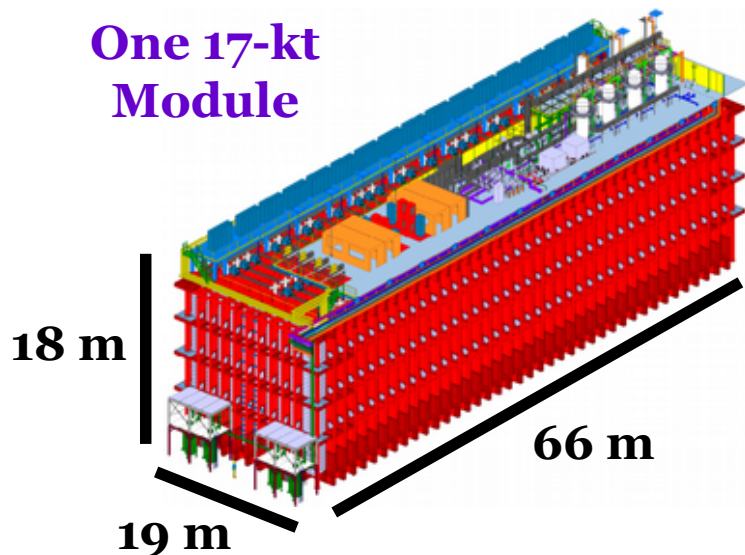
- ◆ DUNE ND complex: multiple complementary systems
 - ND-LAr: modular, pixelated LArTPC
 - Acts as primary target and is most similar to FD (both contain LAr)
 - ND-GAr: high-pressure GArTPC surrounded by ECAL and magnet
 - Constrains nuclear interaction model; muon spectrometer
 - SAND: tracker surrounded by ECAL and magnet
 - On-axis monitor of beam spectrum
- ◆ ND-LAr/ND-GAr can move off-axis (DUNE-PRISM)

The DUNE Far Detector: Four LArTPC Detector Modules



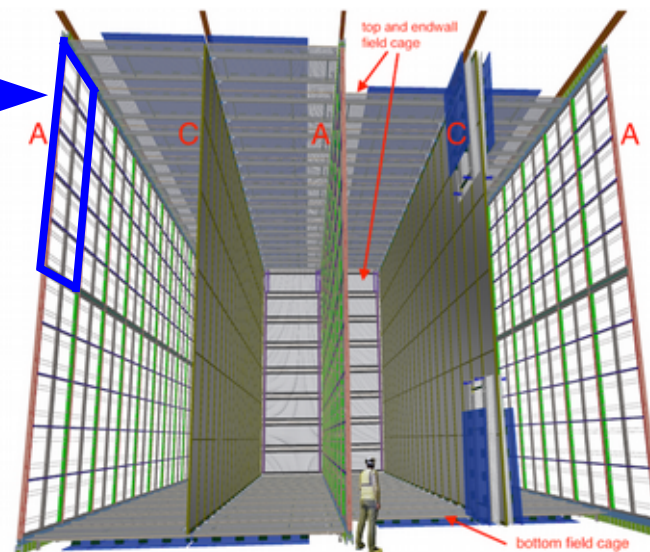
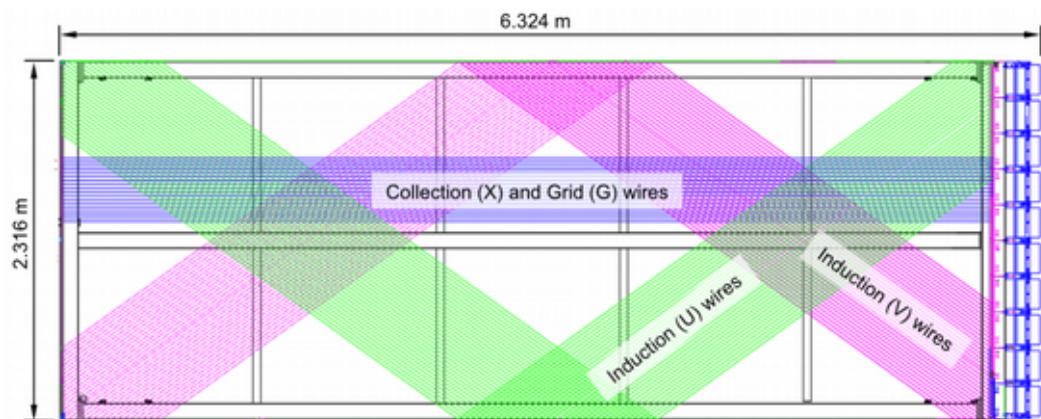
DUNE Far Detector (FD)

One 17-kt
Module

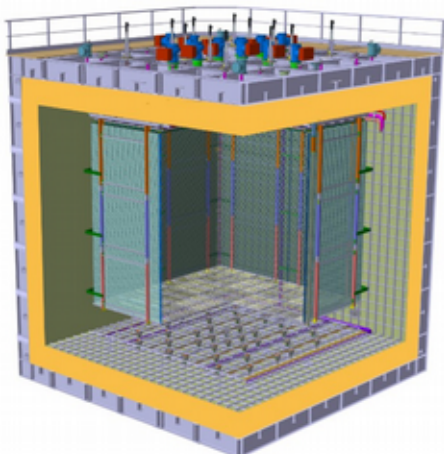


- ◆ Four 17-kt modules deployed in stages
- ◆ Two far detector designs: single phase (LAr) and dual phase (LAr+GAr) – **first module will be single phase**
- ◆ Single phase FD uses modular drift cells (scalable)
 - Suspended Anode and Cathode Plane Assemblies (APAs and CPAs)
 - **Wrapped wire** to reduce # of readout channels, cabling complexity
 - 3.6 m drift, 500 V/cm field; **photon detectors** for non-beam triggering

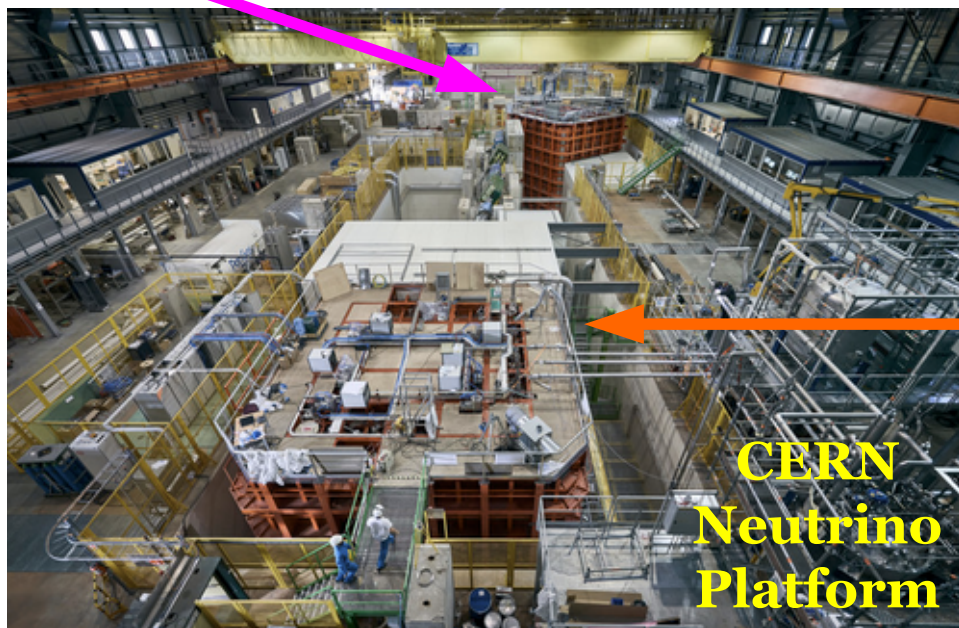
APA Schematic



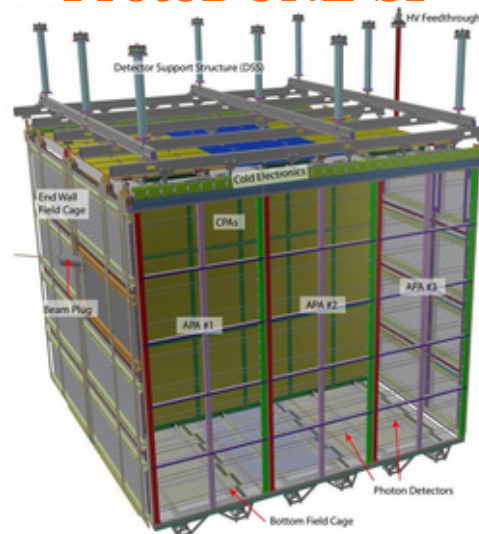
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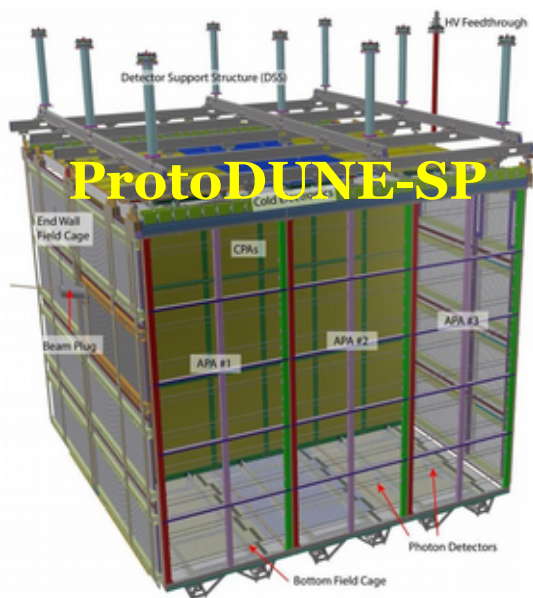


- ◆ Two 1-kt “ProtoDUNE” in charged test beam at CERN (one per FD design)
- ◆ Test of component installation, commissioning, and performance
- ◆ ProtoDUNE-SP operating since 2018; ProtoDUNE-DP since 2019

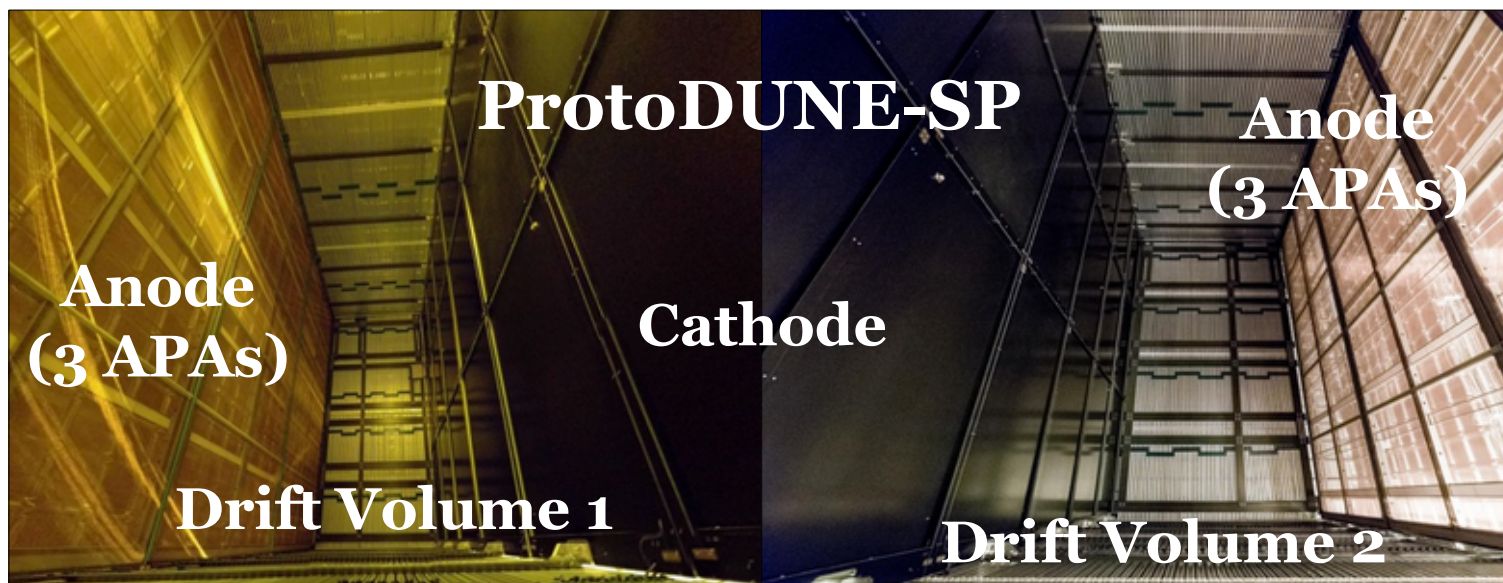


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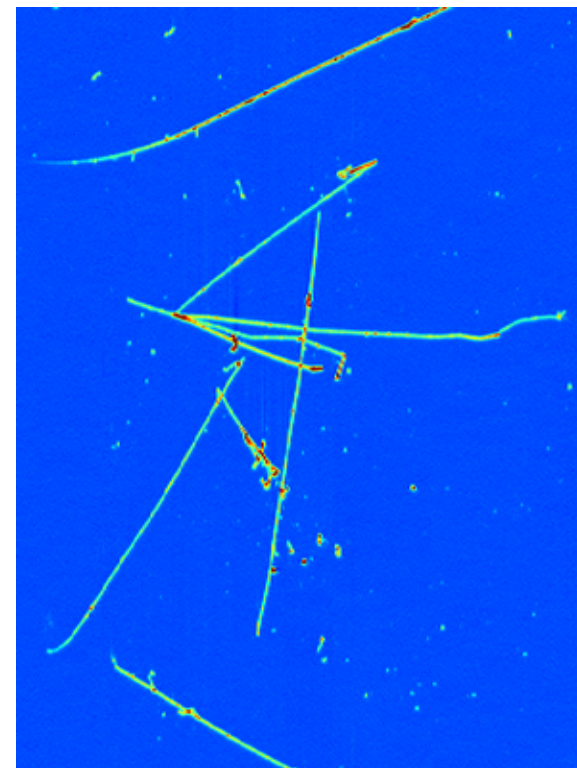
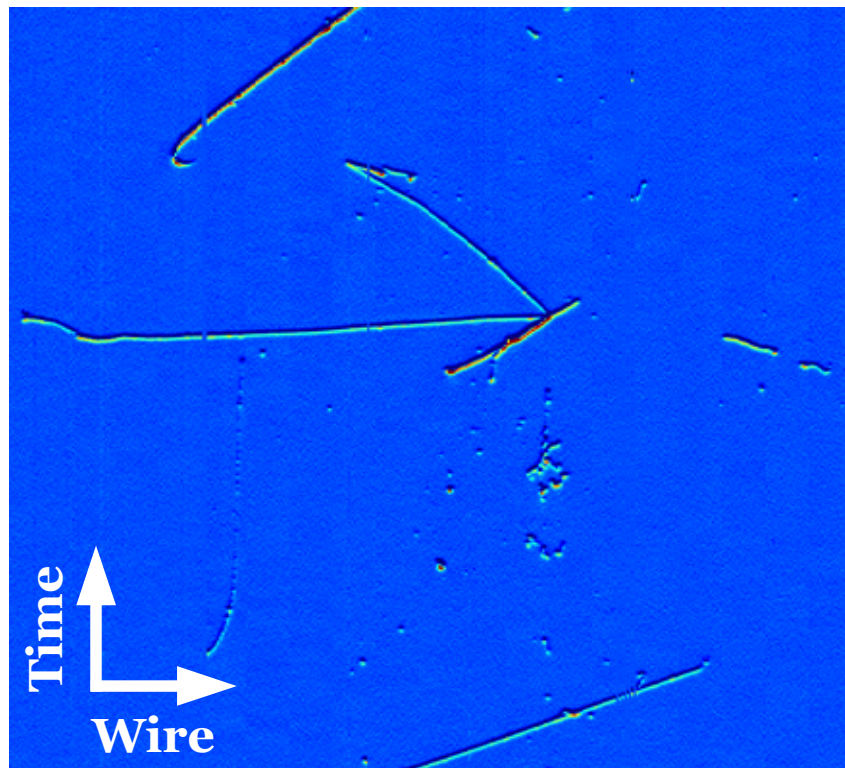
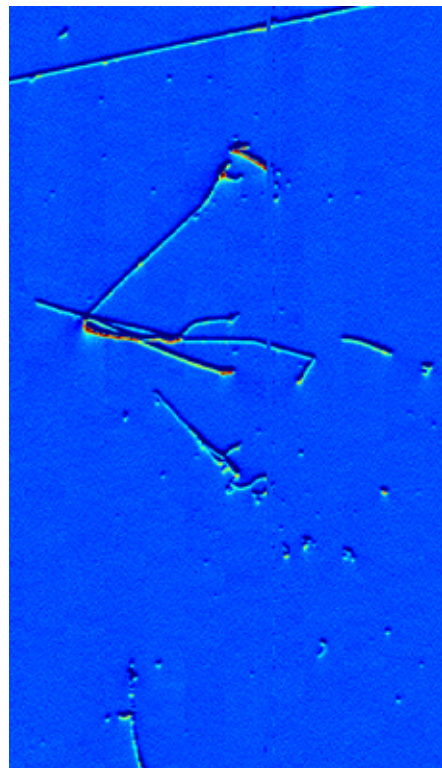
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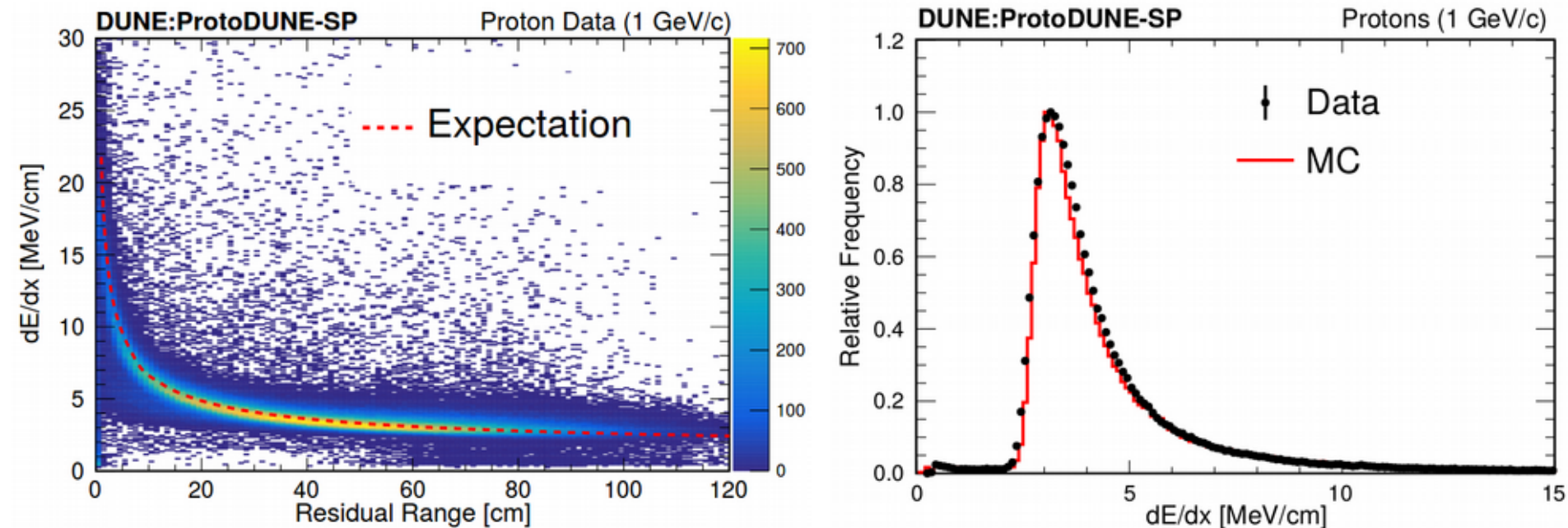
Induction 1

Induction 2

Collection



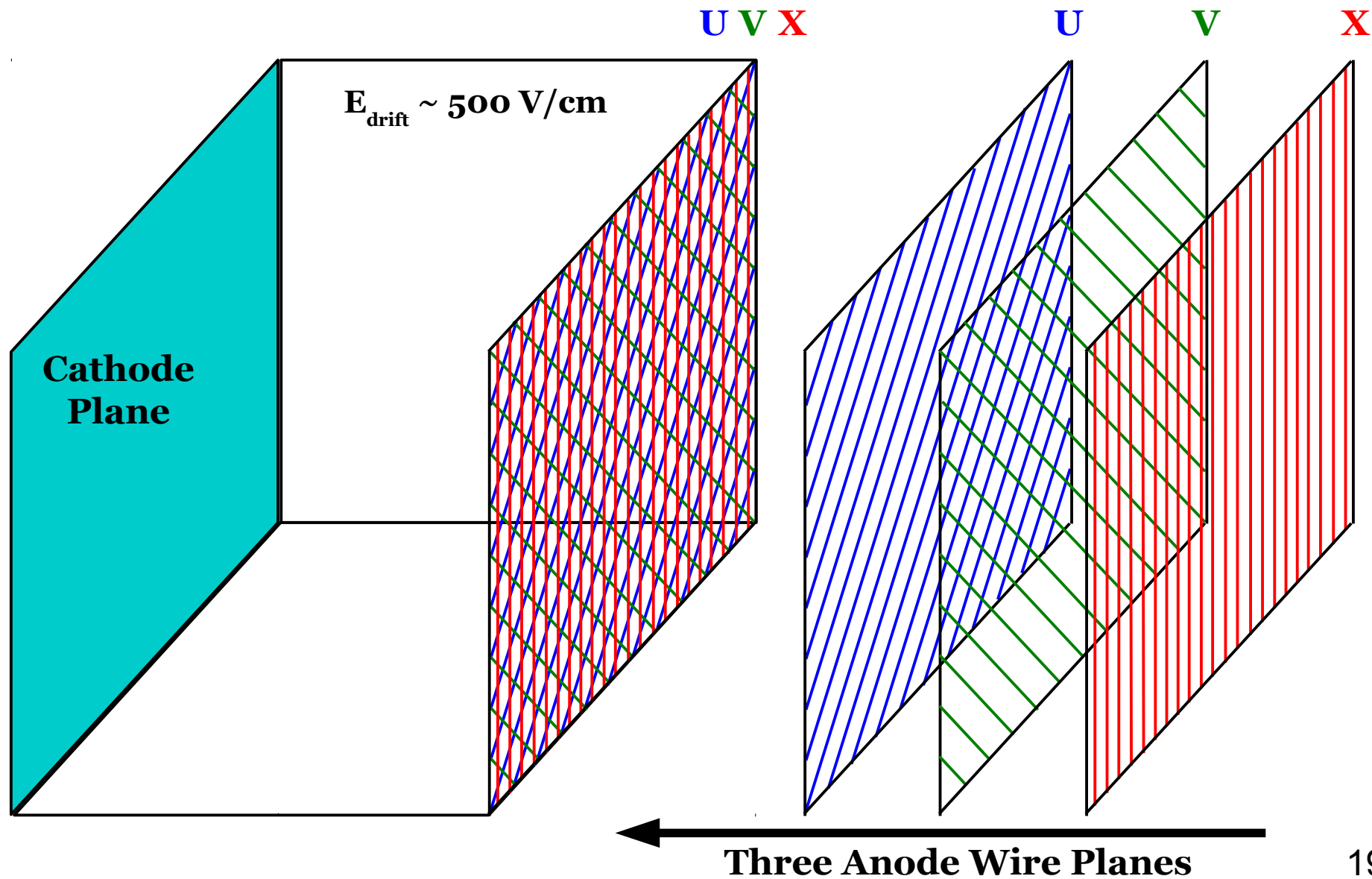
- ◆ First beam data events: **noise levels low** on all three planes
- ◆ S/N ratio > 10 in all cases (> 40 for collection plane)
- ◆ **Stable running** since first operations began in 2018



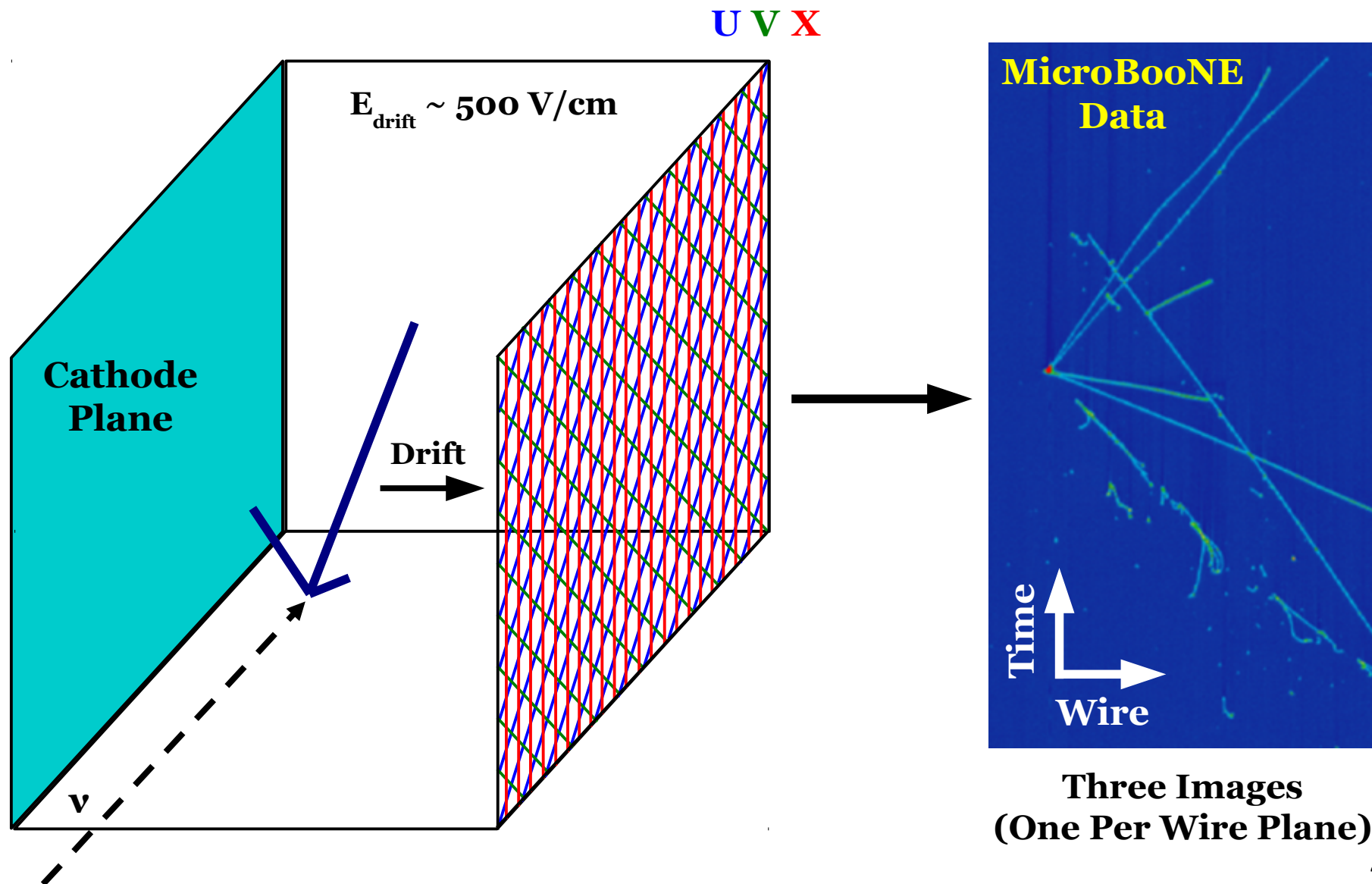
- ◆ First results from ProtoDUNE-SP informing **calibrations** and **reconstruction** for single phase DUNE FD
 - Above left: dE/dx vs. residual range for 1 GeV protons (data)
 - Above right: dE/dx distribution of 1 GeV protons (data vs. MC)
 - Upcoming paper on arXiv soon: “First results on ProtoDUNE-SP LArTPC performance from a beam test at the CERN Neutrino Platform”

FD Neutrino Event Reconstruction/Selection

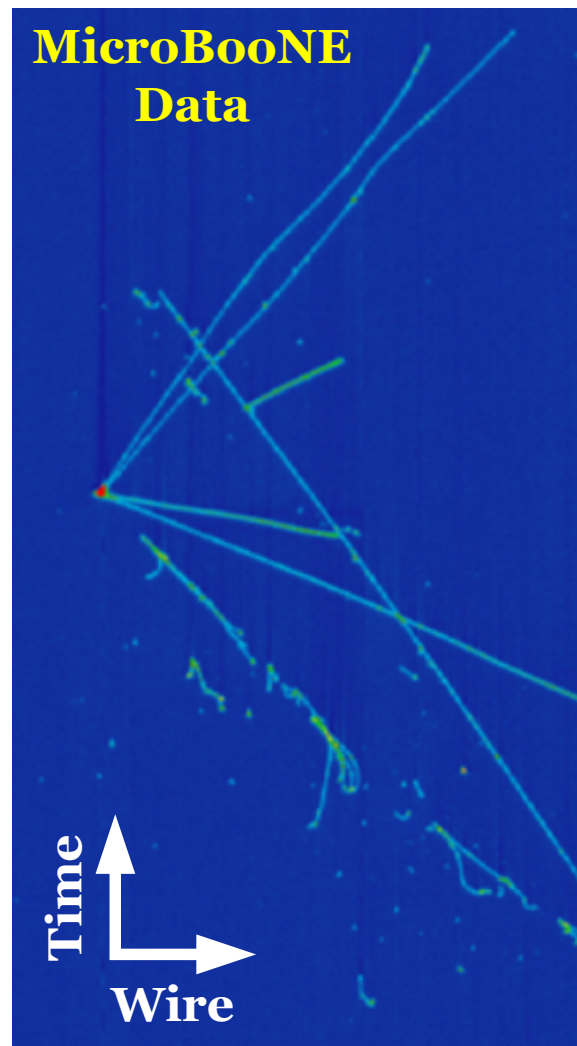
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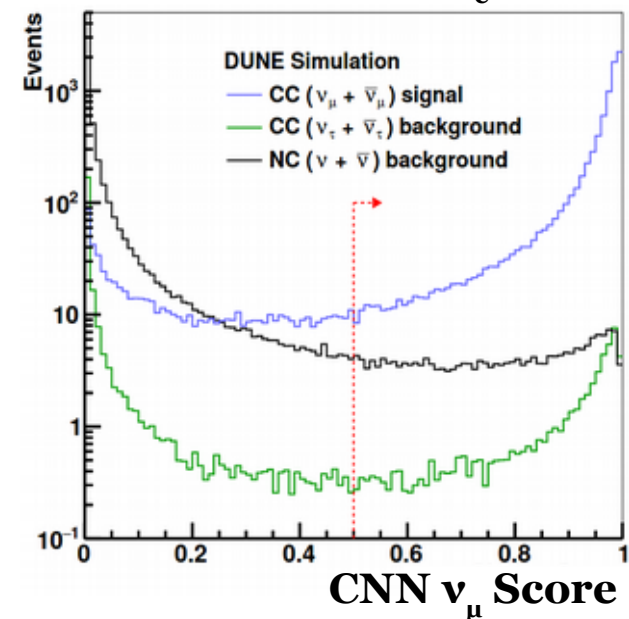
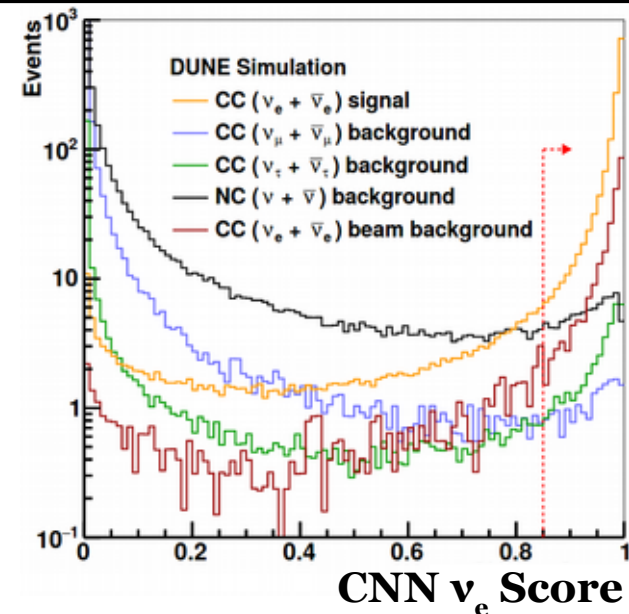


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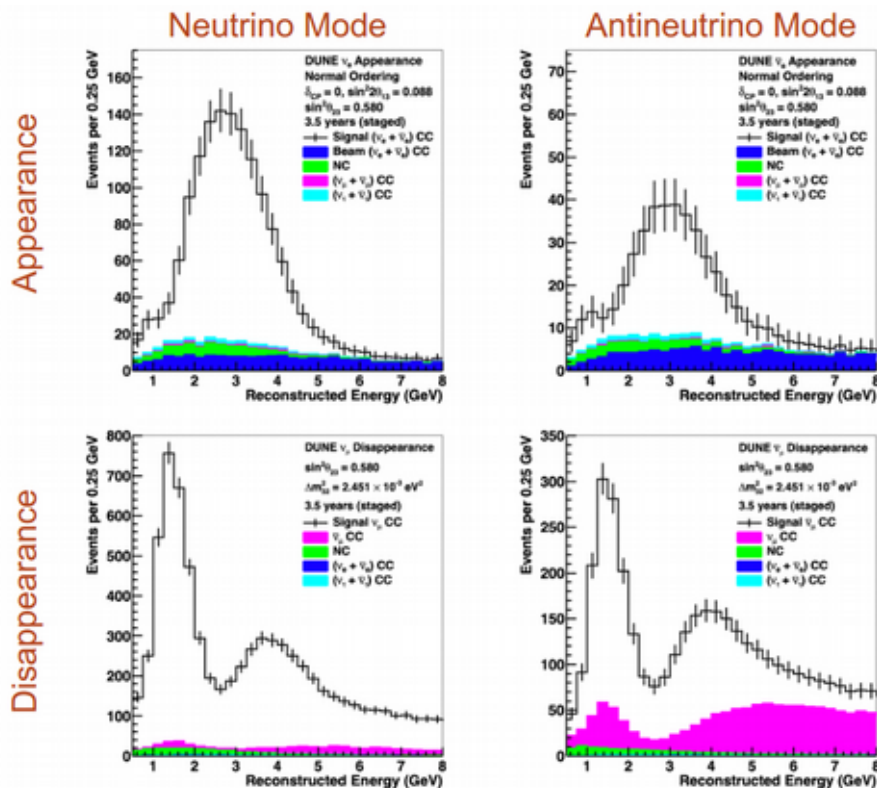
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DUNE Physics Program

FD Oscillation Spectra

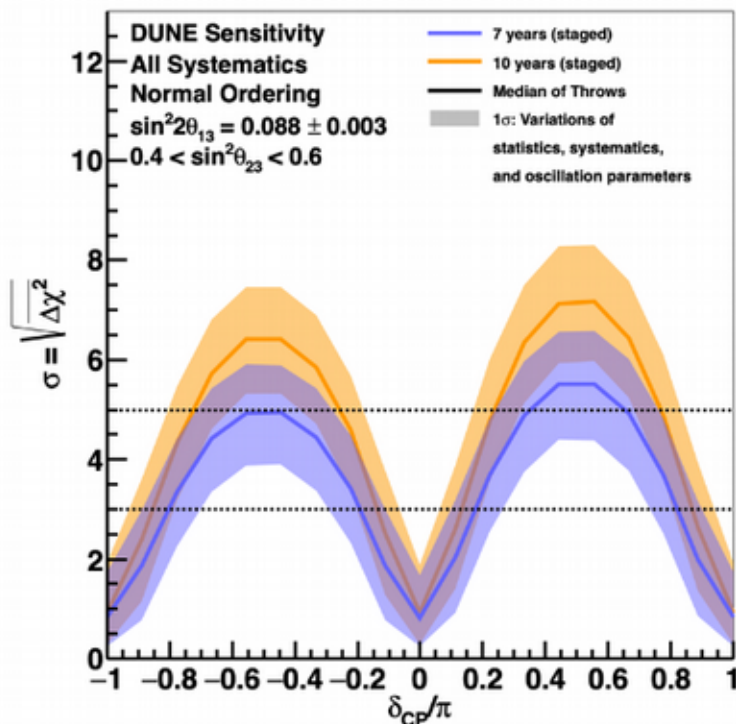


~1,000 ν_e events
in 7 years (staged)

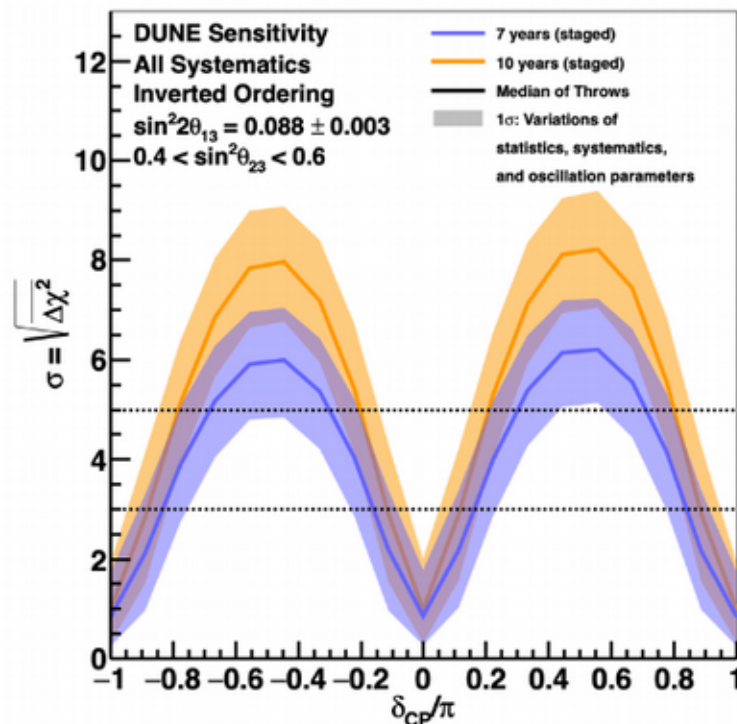
~10,000 ν_μ events
in 7 years (staged)

- ◆ Four-component fit of FD data w/ constraint from ND data
- ◆ New: **full systematics** (flux, cross section, detector) included
- ◆ Upcoming paper ([on arXiv](#)): “Long-baseline neutrino oscillation physics potential of the DUNE experiment”

True Normal Ordering



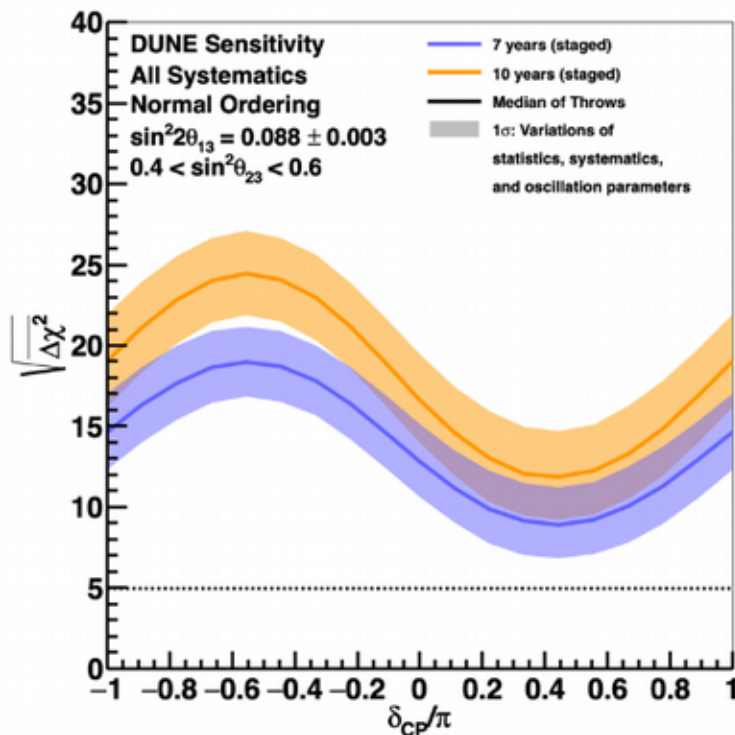
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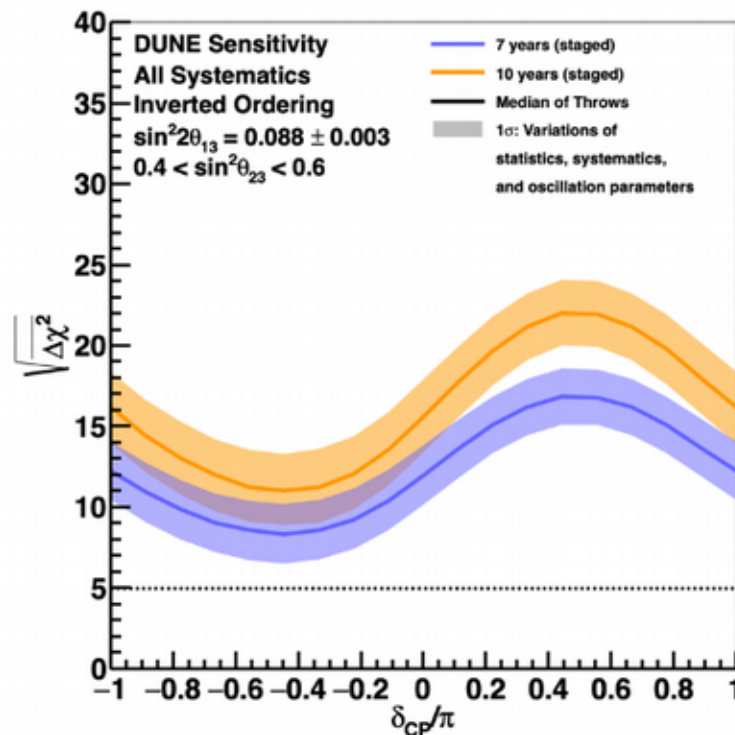
- ◆ Significant CP violation discovery potential over wide range of true δ_{CP} values in 7-10 years (staged)

Mass Ordering Sensitivity

True Normal Ordering



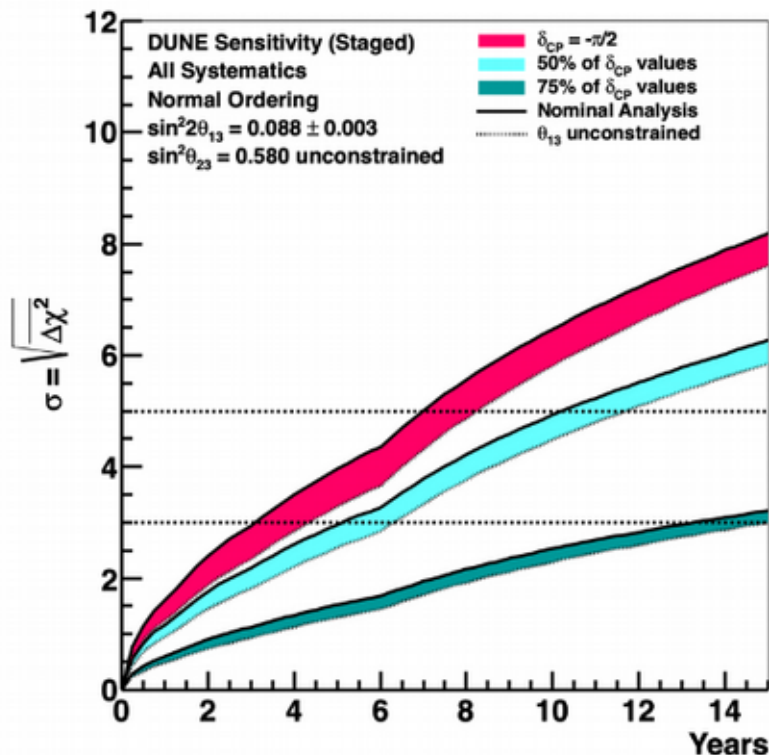
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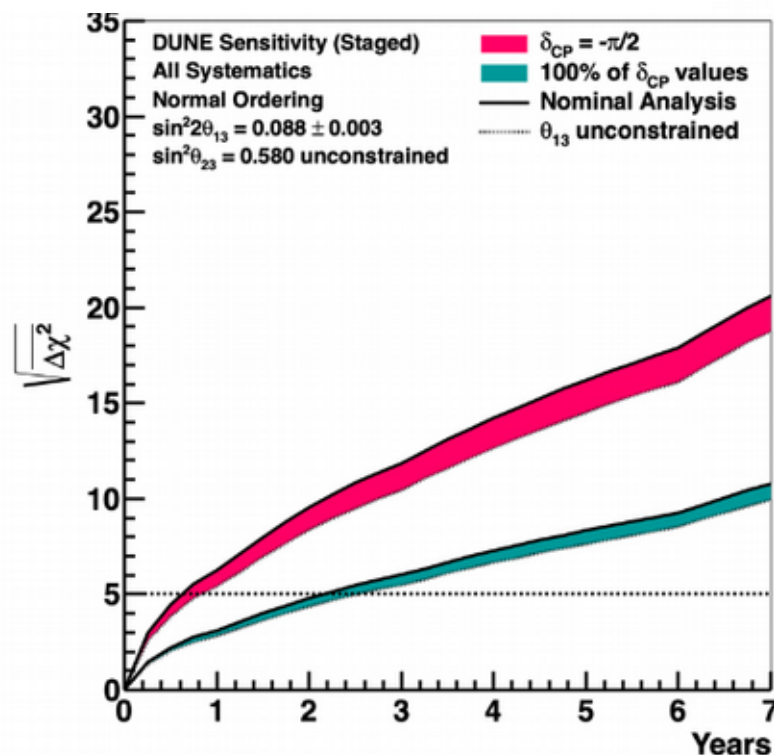
- ◆ Definitive determination of neutrino mass ordering for all possible parameters

Sensitivity Over Time

CP Violation Sensitivity



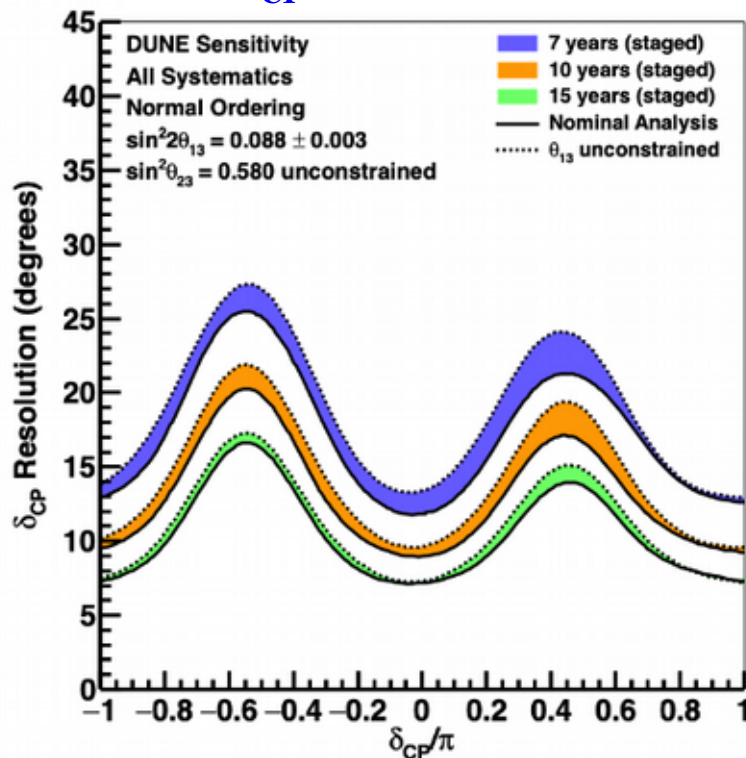
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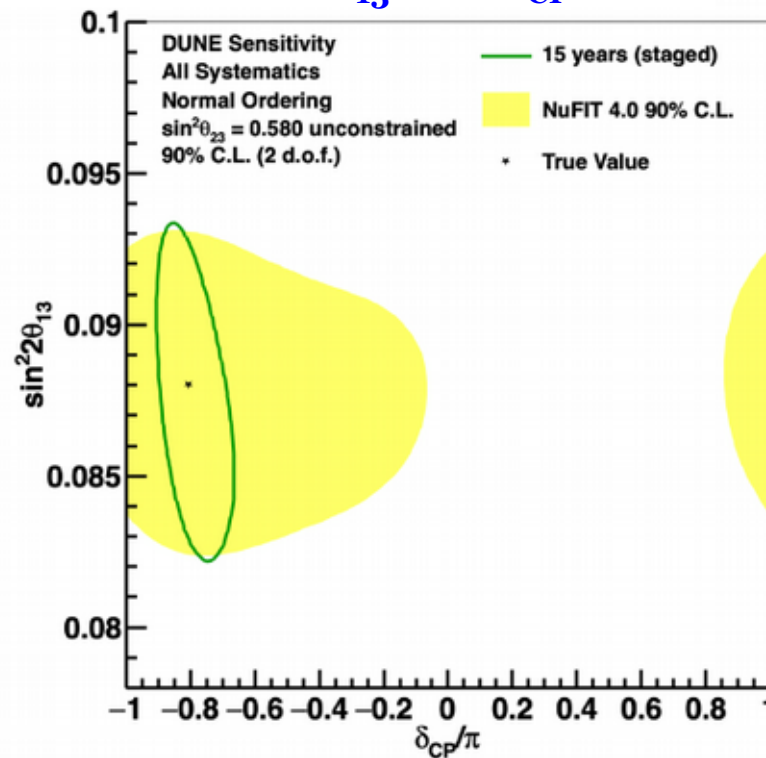
- ◆ CP violation discovery if true $\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$ in ~ 7 years (staged)
- ◆ CP violation discovery for 50% of true δ_{CP} values in ~ 10 years
- ◆ Determination of neutrino mass ordering within first few years

Precision δ_{CP} Measurement

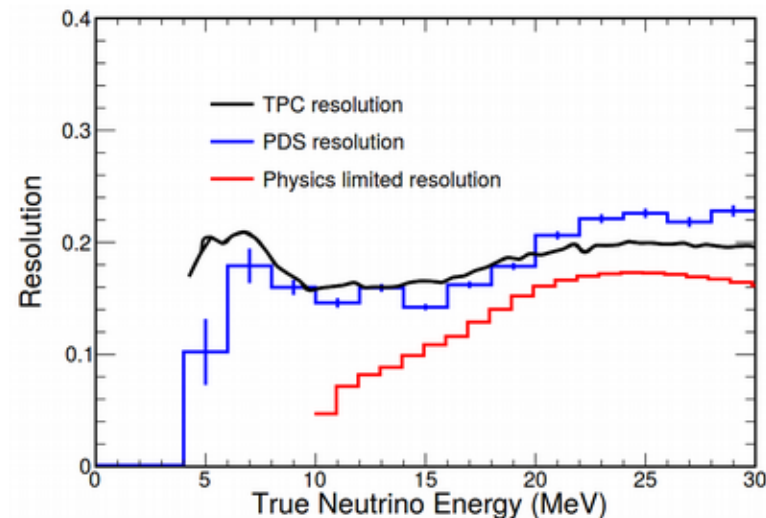
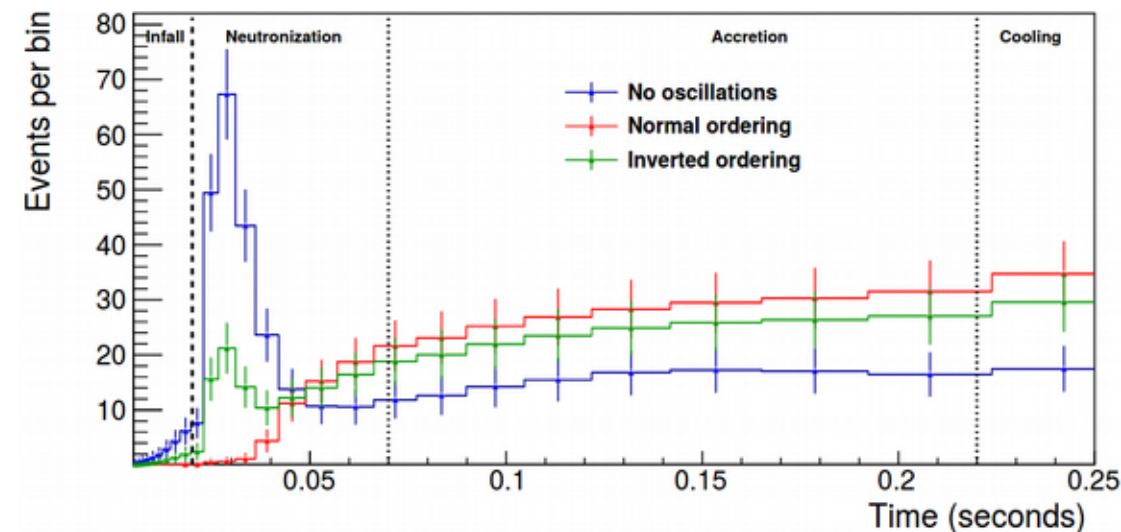
δ_{CP} Resolution



θ_{13} vs. δ_{CP}



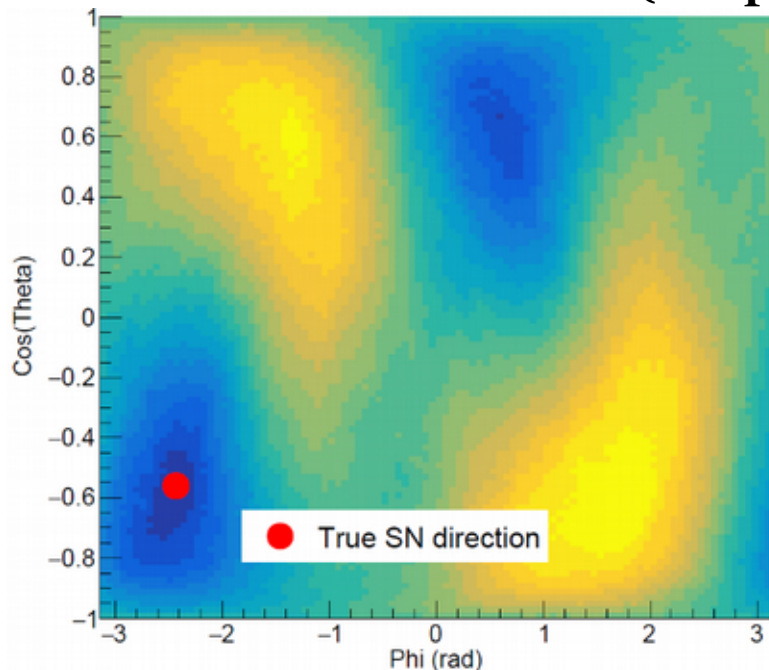
- ◆ δ_{CP} precision of 10° - 20° in ~ 10 years (staged)
- ◆ θ_{13} measurement comparable with reactor experiments after ~ 15 years (staged)



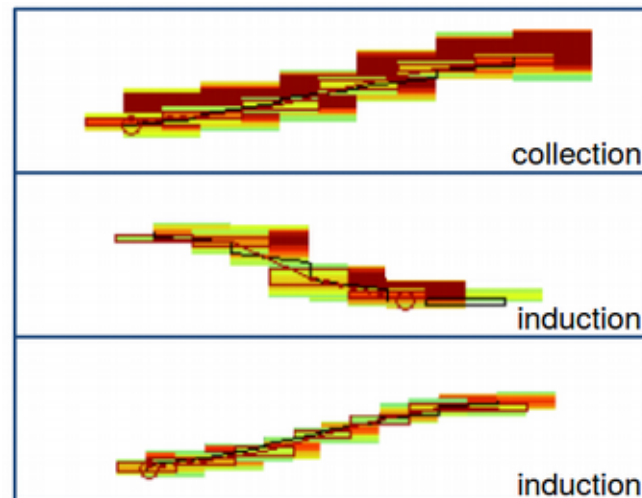
- ◆ Exciting physics aside from long-baseline physics program:
neutrino bursts from **stellar core-collapse supernova**
- ◆ Primary interaction in argon: $\nu_e + {}^{40}\text{Ar} \rightarrow e^- + {}^{40}\text{K}^*$
- ◆ Probe of interesting supernova physics (e.g. core-collapse mechanism) and particle physics (e.g. ν flavor transformations)
- ◆ Excellent energy resolution with both TPC and photodetectors

SNB Directionality

Direction Likelihood Surface (10 kpc SN)

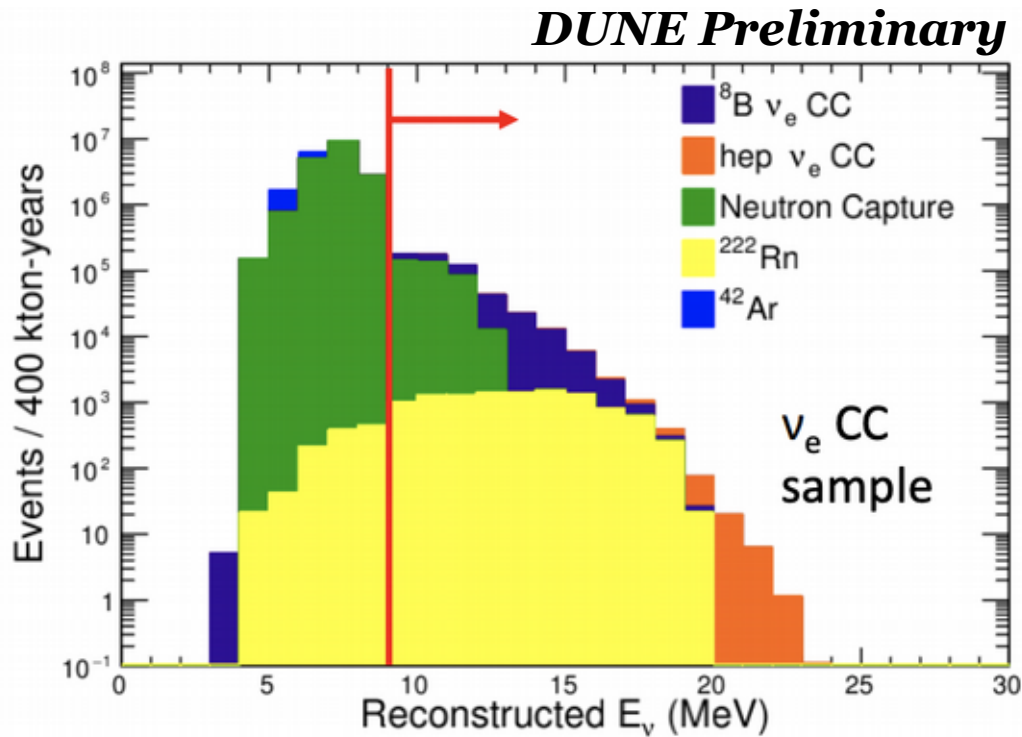


**10 MeV Electron
(Simulated+Reconstructed)**



- ◆ Also sensitive to neutrino-electron elastic scattering, which can provide directionality of supernova neutrino burst
 - Can achieve **4.5° pointing resolution**
- ◆ Upcoming paper: “Supernova Neutrino Burst Detection with the Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment”

Solar Neutrinos



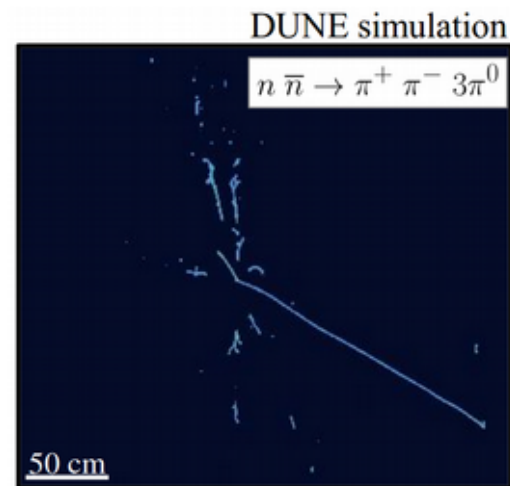
- ◆ Also sensitive to other low-energy neutrinos: **solar neutrinos**
 - ^8B solar neutrinos
 - hep solar neutrinos
- ◆ Currently under investigation – difficult, but very promising!

- ◆ **Large catalog of BSM searches at DUNE** – proton decay, NSI, large extra dimensions, sterile neutrinos, dark matter... **two recent advances shown here**

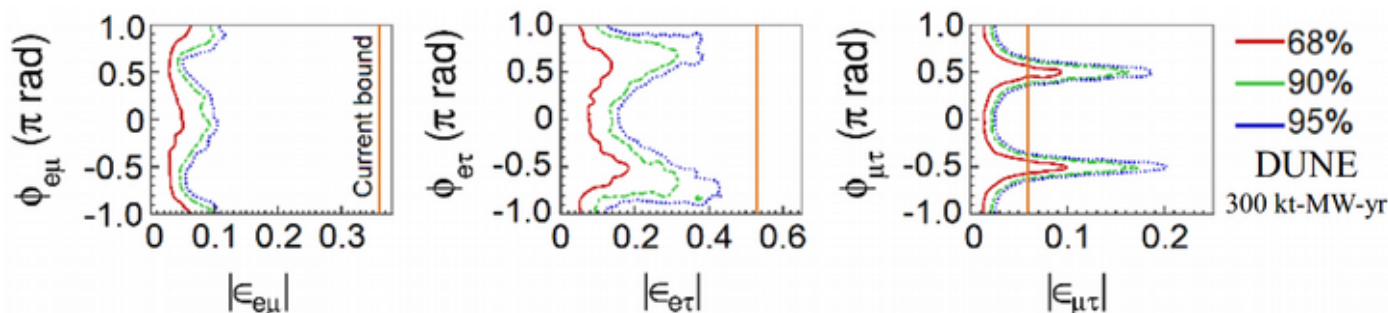
- ◆ n- \bar{n} oscillations: spherical spray of hadrons with $E \sim 2m_n$, net momentum $< p_F \sim 300$ MeV

Free neutron-equivalent sensitivity:

$$\tau_{\text{free,osc}} > 5.5 \times 10^8 \text{ s (90\% C.L.)}$$



- ◆ Non-standard interactions (NSI): modifications to standard matter effects over DUNE's long baseline



Upcoming paper:
“Prospects for Beyond the Standard Model Physics Searches at the Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment”

- ◆ DUNE making good progress toward enabling high-precision neutrino measurements in next decade
 - **Exciting physics program** including CP violation measurement, neutrino mass ordering determination, supernova neutrino burst physics, solar neutrino detection, and many BSM searches
- ◆ Technical milestones:
 - Technical Design Report for DUNE FD complete: **I, II, III, IV**
 - ProtoDUNEs successfully operating at CERN with first results being published soon
 - Conceptual Design Report for DUNE ND under review
- ◆ Plenty of opportunities for additional **international participation**

See 26 DUNE posters for more detailed information!

