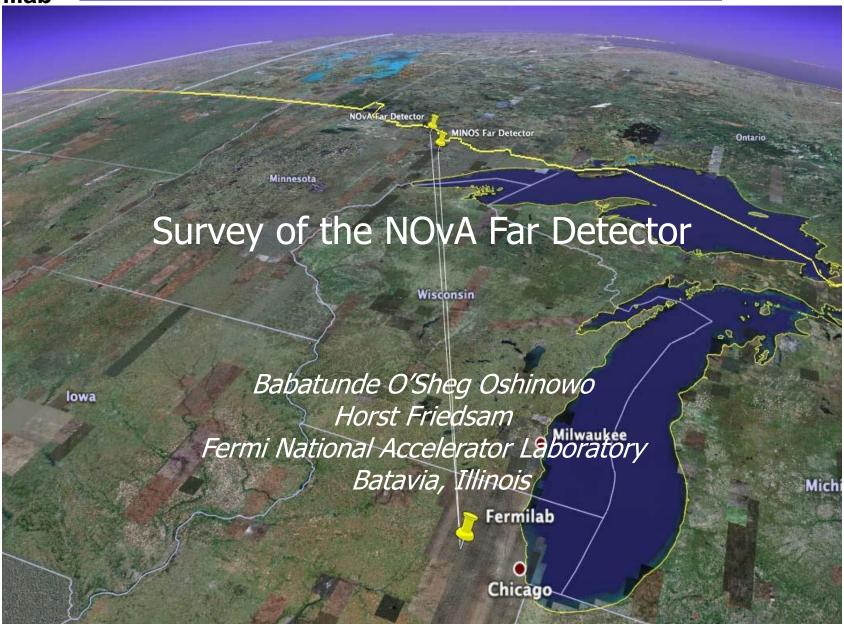


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Fermilab



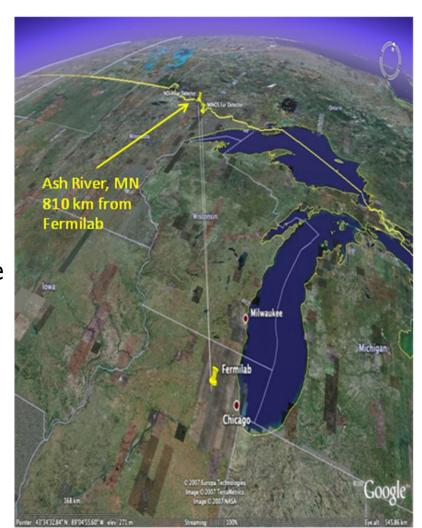


The NOvA Experiment



NOvA: NuMI Off-Axis v_e Appearance Experiment v_e = electron neutrino

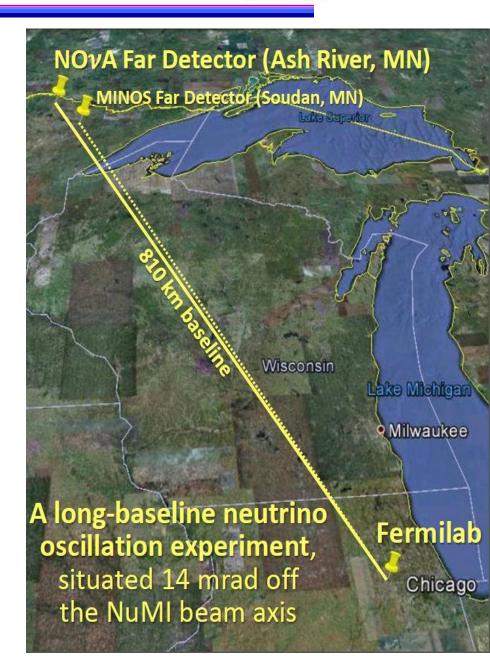
- North America's most advanced neutrino experiment
- NOvA is a second-generation experiment on the NuMI beamline
- The NOvA project also includes accelerator upgrades to bring the NuMI beam intensity from 400 kW to 700 kW
- Uses two detectors to look for changes in the neutrino beam as it travels:
 - Far Detector in Ash River, Minnesota Near Detector at Fermilab
- Run for 6 years : 2015 2021



Far Detector Site



- This site is at 810 km from Fermilab, about 11 km off-axis
- The Ash River site is the farthest available site from Fermilab in the U.S. along the NuMI beamline

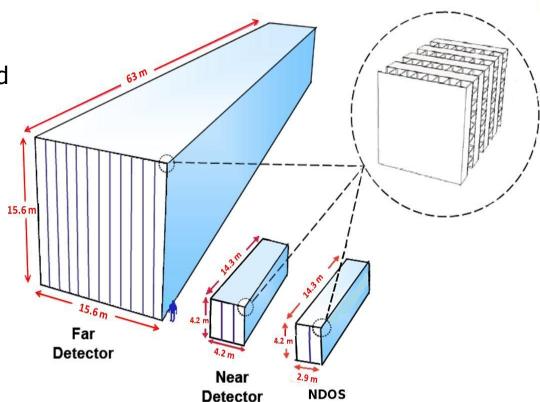


NOvA Detectors



NOvA Detectors:

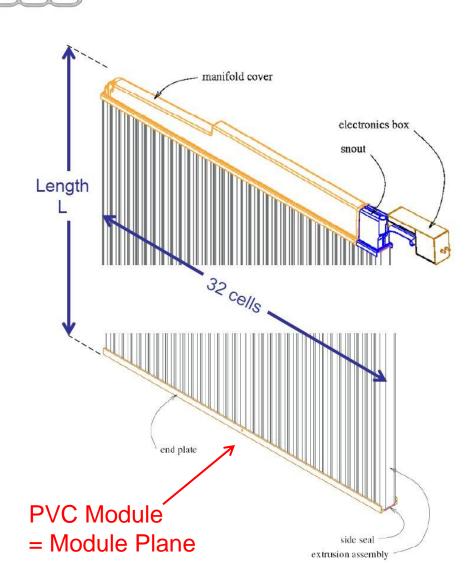
- A 14 kTon Far Detector sited 14 mrad off the NuMI beam axis at a distance of 810 km at a distance of 11 km (Assembly underway at Ash River)
- A 0.3 kTon Near Detector identical to the far detector sited 14 mrad off the NuMI beam axis at a distance of 1 km from the NuMI Target (Begin installation Spring 2013)
- An 84 Ton NDOS (Near Detector On the Surface) identical to the Near Detector sited on the surface 107 mrad off the NuMI beam axis in the NOvA Near Detector Surface Building at Fermilab (IWAA2010; Completed and running since November 2010)



NOvA Detector



- The NOvA detectors are constructed from planes of PVC modules
- Extrusions have a cellular structure, with 16 isolated cells per extrusion
- A module of 32 cells is constructed from two 16-cell PVC extrusions glued together L = 15.6 m for Far Detector L = 4.2 m for Near Detector
- Modules are capped by a Manifold and an End Plate/Cap to contain the liquid scintillator
- Twelve (12) extrusion modules get placed side by side on a flat assembly table to form one plane of the Far Detector





- 32 planes make 1 NOvA block
- 5 blocks make 1 super block
- NOvA block (B) configuration is as follows:

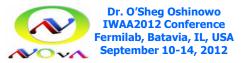
$$B = v_0 h_1 v_2 h_3 v_4 h_5 v_6 h_7 v_8 h_9 v_{10} \dots v_{20} h_{21} v_{22} h_{23} v_{24} h_{25} v_{26} h_{27} v_{28} h_{29} v_{30} h_{31}$$

where v are planes of vertical modules and
h are planes of horizontal modules
number of planes is counted from 0 (Upstream)
to 31 (Downstream)

Block assembly starts from plane (or layer)
 31 (h₃₁) on the assembly table and ends with plane 0 (v₀)



Far Detector

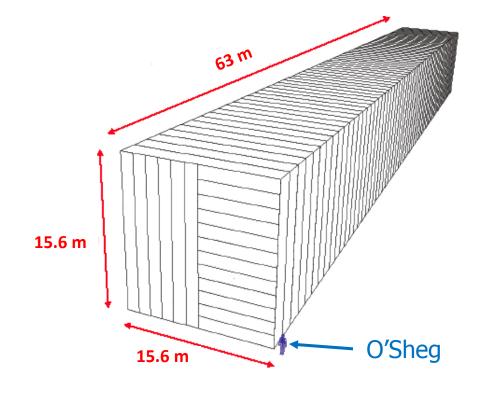


• The Far Detector (**FD**) consists of 29 blocks:

$$FD \rightarrow B_0B_1B_2B_3B_4B_5....B_{25}B_{26}B_{27}B_{28}B_{28}$$

where the number of blocks is counted 0 (Upstream) to 28 (Downstream)

- The NOvA Far Detector consists of 928 (15.6 m square) planes
- Twelve (12) modules make up a plane, and the planes alternate in having their long dimension vertical and horizontal



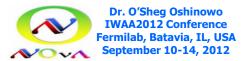
NOvA Far Detector Building

The NOvA Far Detector building contains

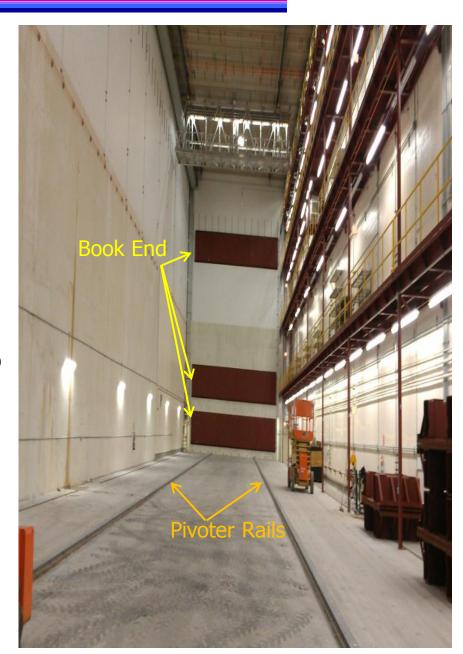
- The Detector Hall at the south end
- Block Assembly area at the north end



The NOvA Detector Hall



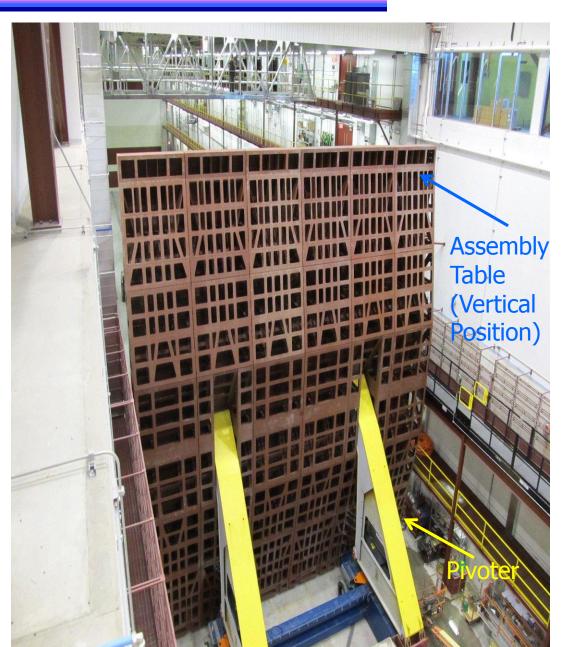
- The Detector Hall will house all the 29 NOvA blocks.
- The first block will rest on the Book End on the South Wall
- The Pivoter Rails are used by the Pivoter to transport each block to the far south end



Block Assembly Area



- The Block Assembly area houses the NOvA Block Pivoter machine and the Pivoter Assembly Table that is used to build all the blocks
- All block are assembled on the assembly table while it is in its horizontal position



Block Assembly

- Installation of the NOvA Far Detector is underway
- The Block assembly starts at the glue machine where glue is applied to the extrusion modules
- The modules are then transported to the assembly table by the lifting fixture to be glued to the next modules to form planes (layers)
- Alignment Posts attached to the assembly table are used as guides for the module installation
- The block is assembled in its horizontal position starting first with the downstream end
- Each plane is scanned with the Laser
 Scanner once the plane is completed



Block Assembly

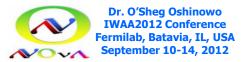


- Once a block has been finished, the last module is painted black, the block Pivoter is used to move the block into place within the detector building to the south wall
- It then pivots 90° to set the block upright to the ideal location
- The block will then be filled with Liquid Scintillator





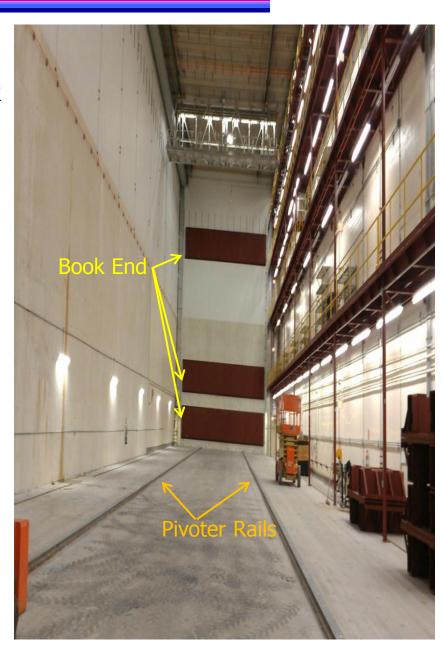
Survey of NOvA Far Detector



Purpose:

- Establish a surface geodetic control network
- Establish a precision horizontal and vertical control network in the Far Detector building
- Floor Flatness measurements
- Book End as-built measurements
- Pivoter Rail measurements
- Pivoter Table Flatness measurements
- Block measurements







Survey Methodology





- An API Tracker3 Laser Tracker and Spatial Analyzer™
- Leica Absolute Tracker AT401
- Trimble S6 Total Station
- Geodimeter Total Station
- Leica DNA03 Digital level
- Trimble GPS Receivers
- Leica HDS6100 Laser Scanner system and its associated software

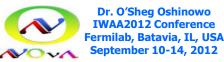




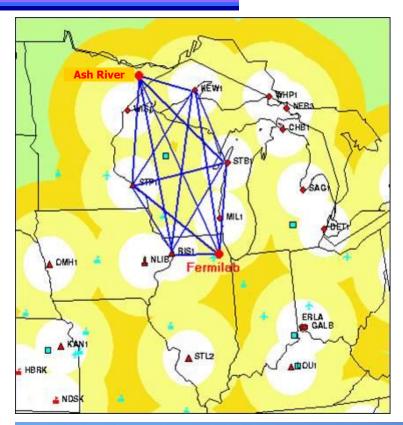




Far Detector Surface Geodetic Network



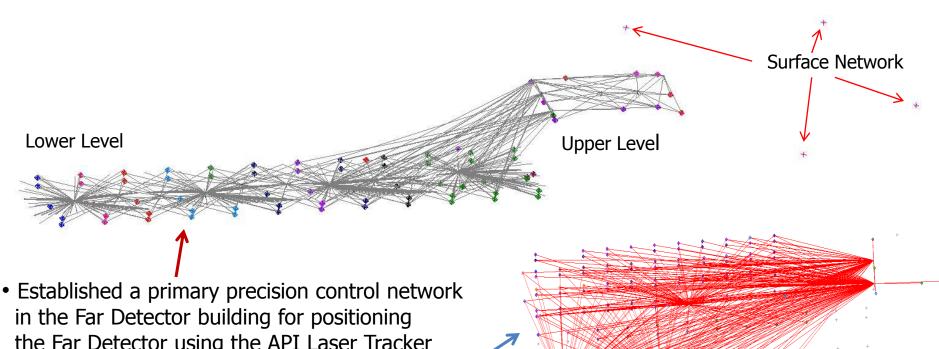
- Established a GPS surface geodetic control network that connects points at Fermilab to Ash River
- Tie surface control network to the National Geodetic Survey's Continuously Operating Reference Stations (CORS) precision geodetic network
- All long baselines are known to better than
 1 cm horizontally and vertically
- The network based on the NAD83 (North American Datum 1983) for horizontal datum and the NAVD88 (North American Vertical Datum 1983) for vertical datum





Far Detector Building Control Network





in the Far Detector building for positioning the Far Detector using the API Laser Tracker

 A secondary control network on the four levels of the west wall of the Detector hall using the Leica AT401

 Primary network consists of 49 floor monuments and 36 wall monuments in the Far Detector Hall and the Detector assembly area. Secondary network consists of 44 wall monuments

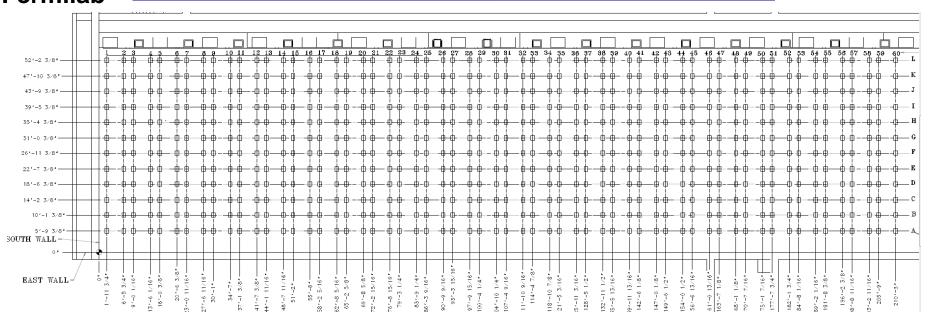
 Tied the new building control network to the surface network using the Geodimeter Total Station



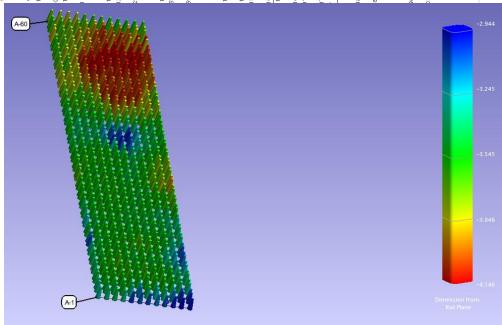


Floor Flatness Measurements





- Floor Flatness measurements using 720 grid points in the Detector Hall made with the Laser Tracker
- These measurement results will be used for shimming the Pivoter Table pallets that the blocks sit on

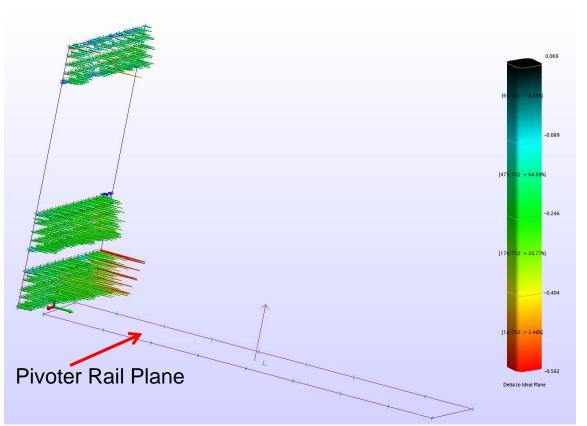




Book End As-Built Measurements



- The surface of the three sections of the Book End on the South Wall were measured with the Laser Tracker
- Deltas from the ideal plane defined by the Top Book End was reported to use for possible adjustments





Pivoter Rail Measurements

- The surfaces of the two Pivoter Rails were mapped with the API Laser Tracker
- A plane fitted to the Pivoter Rails measurements was used to define the NOvA Far Detector Building Local Coordinate System

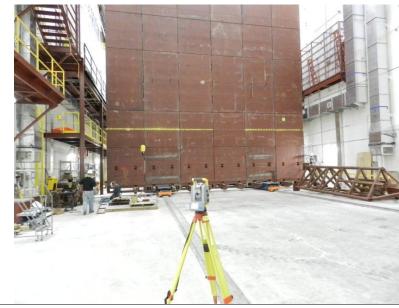


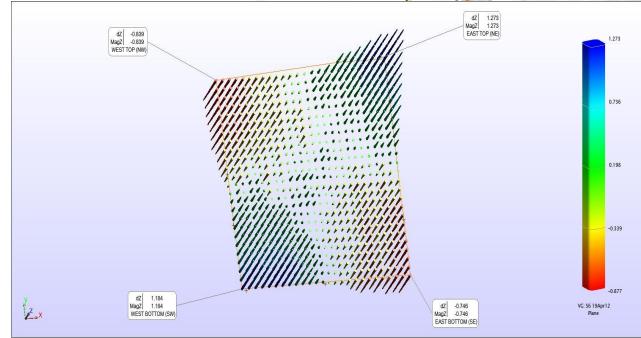


Pivoter Table Survey



- The surface of the Pivoter Table was first measured with the Trimble S6 Total Station using 24" x 24" (61 cm x 61 cm) grids
- Measurement of the Table Top was made with the Table in the vertical position





Pivoter Table Survey

- Flatness measurement of the east side of the Pivoter Table was made using the Laser Tracker with the Table in the vertical position
- Measurements were made at spots where the alignment posts were installed







Pivoter Table Survey

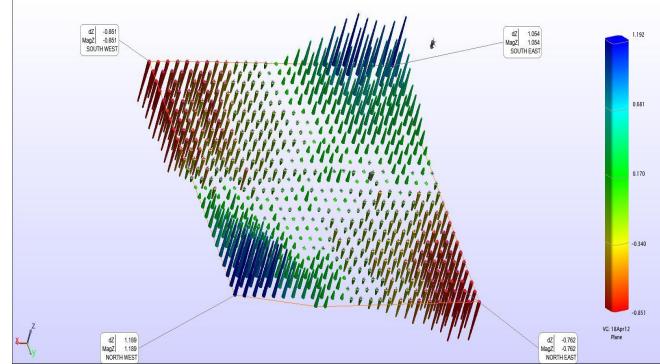


- The surface of the Pivoter Table was measured with the Laser Tracker using 24" x 24" (61 cm x 61 cm) grids
- Measurement of the Table Top was made with the Table in the horizontal position

 Based on these measurements, the Table surface was shimmed accordingly and

covered with plywood





NOVA Block Plane Measurements

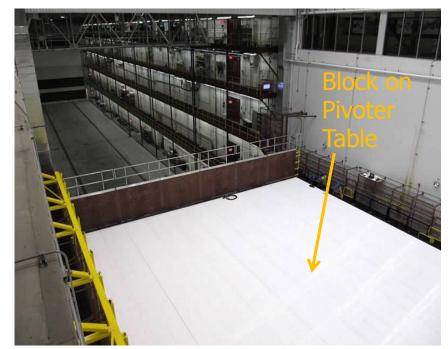


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- The surface of each of the 32 planes of the NOvA Block is scanned with the Laser Scanner located on the ceiling inverted directly above the Pivoter Assembly Table (See next presentation by Horst Friedsam)
- ☐ Overall Block Survey Tolerance:
- Relative 2 mm (Horizontal) edge to edge;
- Relative 0.75 mm or better (Vertical) between adjacent pieces
- Angular tolerance of \pm 2 mm/15.6 m = \pm 0.13 mrad



What's Next?

- The first block, Block 0, was completed on September 5, 2012
- Block 0 was tilted to its vertical position on September 10, 2012 and moved to the Detector Hall south wall Book End
- Installation of Block 1 is underway
- After Block 1 is completed and moved to the Detector Hall, the first two blocks will be filled with Liquid Scintillator
- The blocks will be surveyed before and after filling with Liquid Scintillator using the Laser Tracker at the lower level and Trimble S6 at the higher level
- 28 more blocks to go!



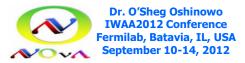
Status NOvA Far Detector

- The first super block is scheduled to be completed by the end of the year
- The Far Detector is scheduled to begin taking data in 2013
- Data taking will continue as the detector is completed in spring of 2014
- The NOvA experiment will run for six year: 2015 – 2021





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