

# DUNE: Physics | Plans | Progress

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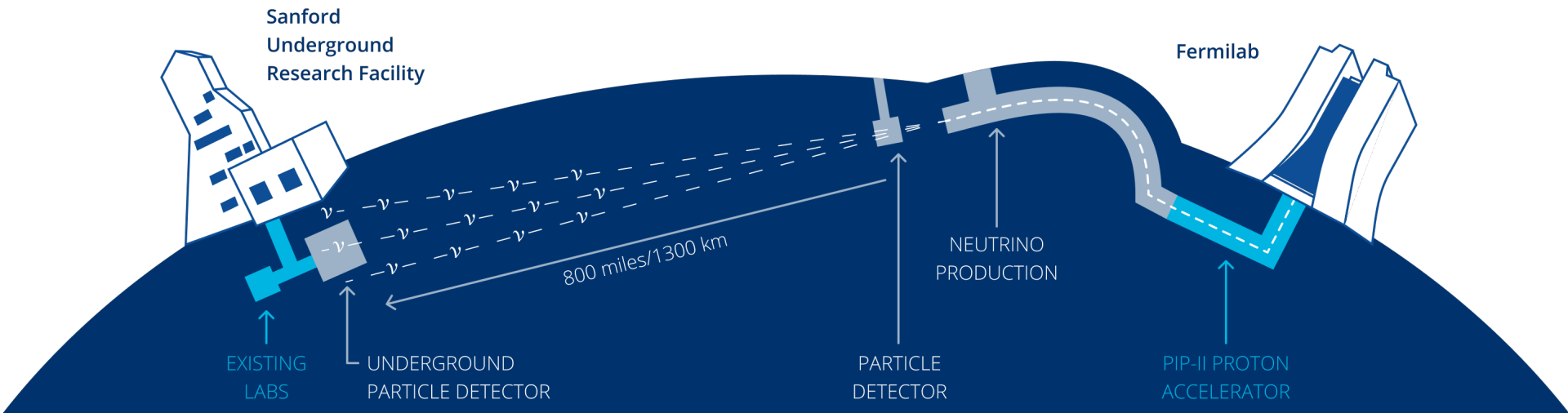
Where do we stand?

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What and when?

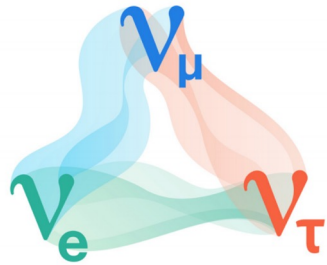
From the [Director's report](#) at Users' Meeting 23

**Delivering on LBNF/DUNE is Fermilab's highest priority**



# Neutrino Oscillations

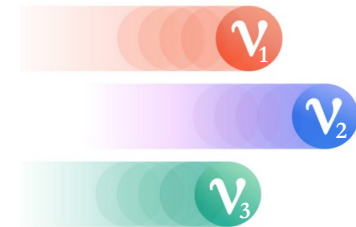
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Flavor Eigenstates

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = U_{\text{PMNS}} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Mixing Matrix



Mass Eigenstates

$$U_{\text{PMNS}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13} e^{-i\delta_{\text{CP}}} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13} e^{i\delta_{\text{CP}}} & 0 & c_{13} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} c_{ij} = \cos \theta_{ij} \\ s_{ij} = \sin \theta_{ij} \end{array}$$

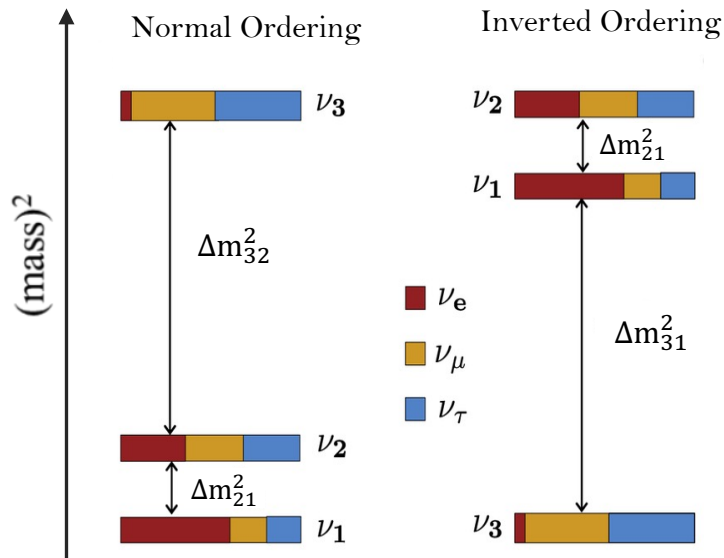
- The mixing angles determine the amplitude and the mass-splitting control the frequency of the oscillations.
- L and E are experimental design parameters.

$$P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) \sim \sin^2(2\theta) \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta m_{ij}^2 L}{4E}\right)$$

**L** : distance (baseline)  
**E** : neutrino energy

# Open Questions

## 1. Which neutrino is the heaviest?

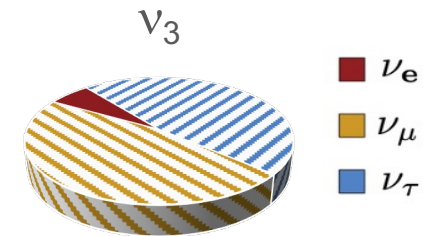


$\nu$  Mass Ordering (MO):  
Normal or Inverted?

## 2. Is the $\theta_{23}$ mixing maximal?

Current Measured Value :  $\theta_{23} \sim 45^\circ$

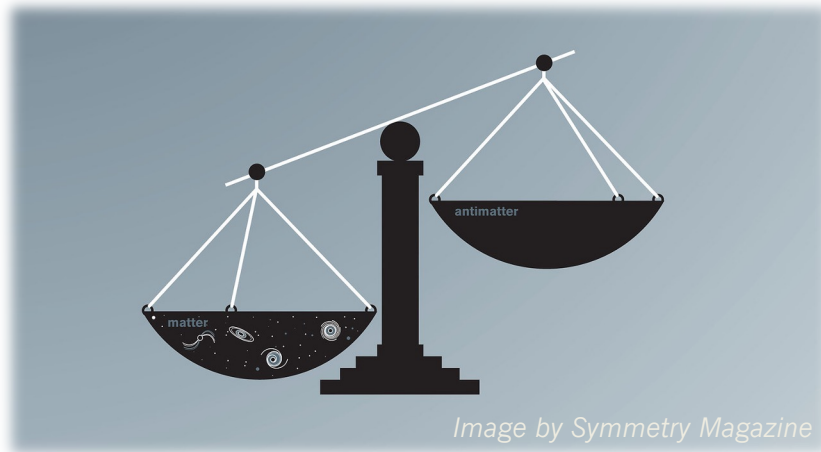
Precision :  $\sin^2 \theta_{23} \sim 5\%$



If  $\theta_{23} = 45^\circ \rightarrow |U_{\mu 3}| = |U_{\tau 3}|$

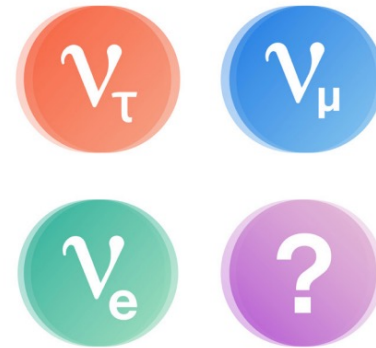
# Open Questions

## 3. Why is there more matter than anti-matter in the Universe?



Do neutrinos and anti-neutrinos oscillate differently violating the CP symmetry?  
Is  $\sin \delta_{CP} = 0$ ?

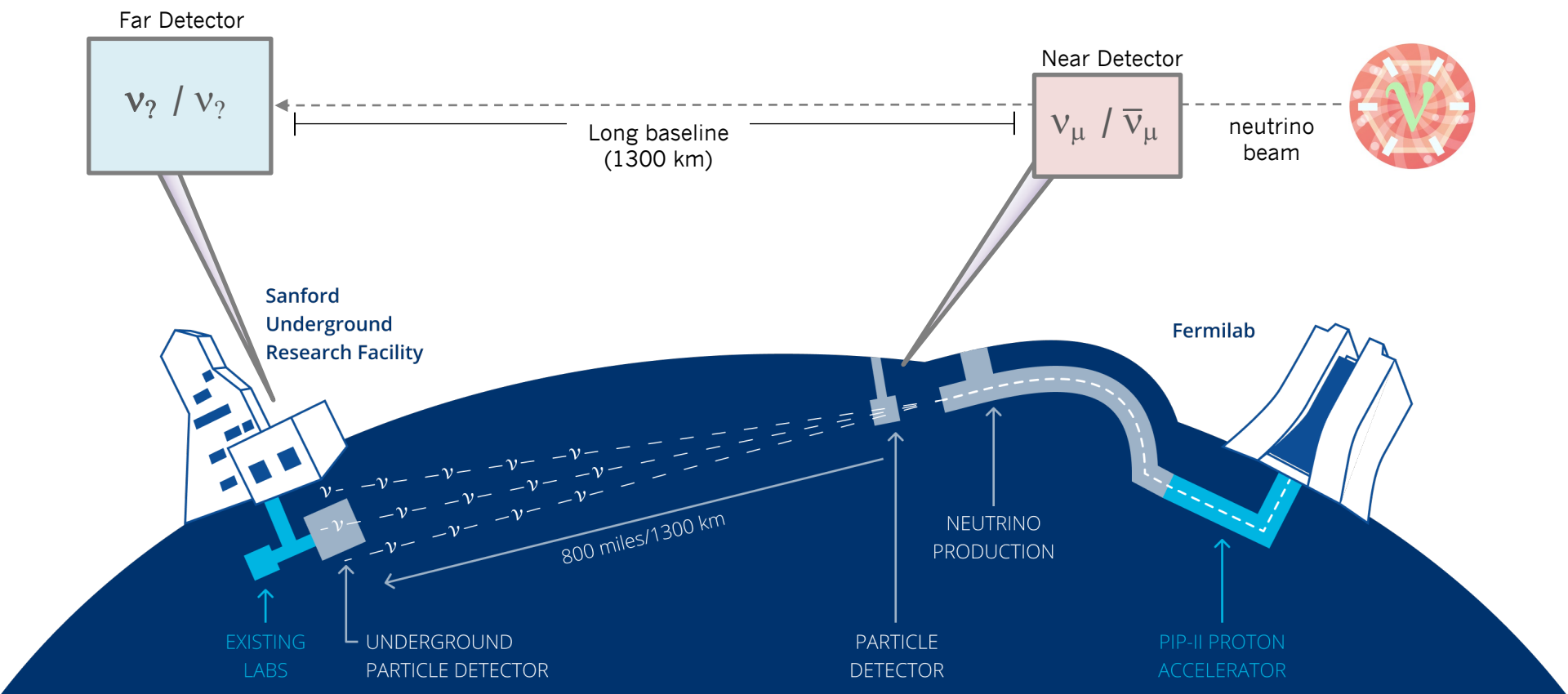
## 4. Is the 3-flavor neutrino picture complete?



- Are there only 3 neutrino flavors?
- Is  $\nu$ SM complete?
- Is PMNS matrix unitary?

# DUNE

- The Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment (DUNE) is next-generation international neutrino experiment hosted in the US.
- DUNE will feature a wideband beam of muon neutrinos and utilize large LArTPC detectors at SURF ~1300 kms to detect neutrino oscillations.



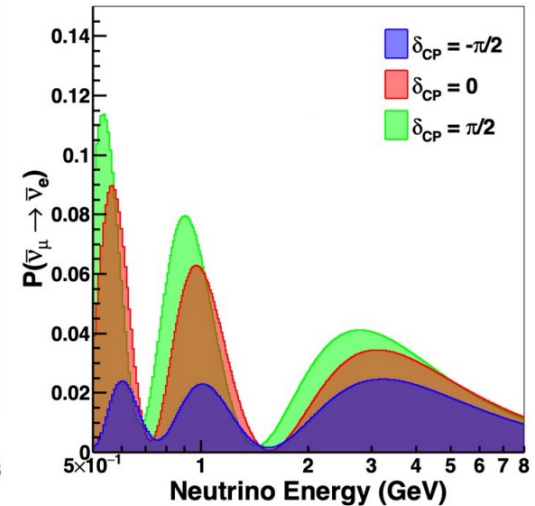
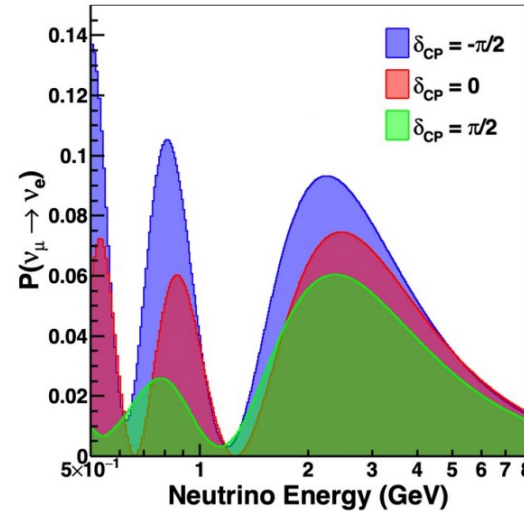
# DUNE: Physics

- Asymmetry in  $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e)$  vs  $P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)$  as a continuous function of neutrino energy (at  $L = 1285$  km) gives DUNE its *strong* discriminating power to measure
  - mass ordering,
  - $\theta_{23}$  octant, &
  - CP violation

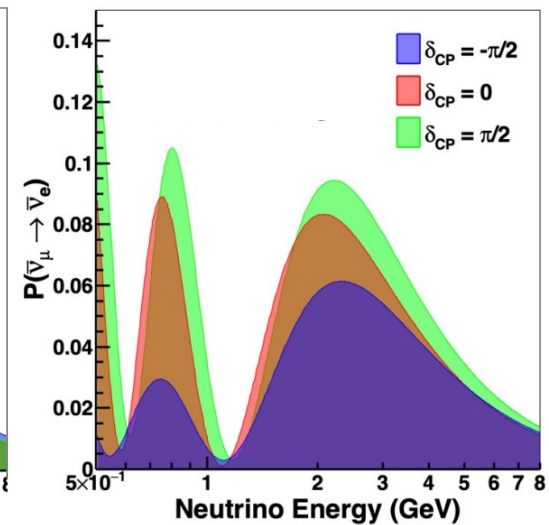
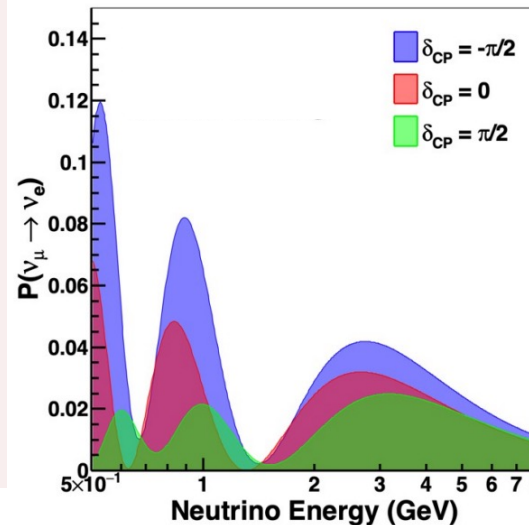
## Neutrinos

## Antineutrinos

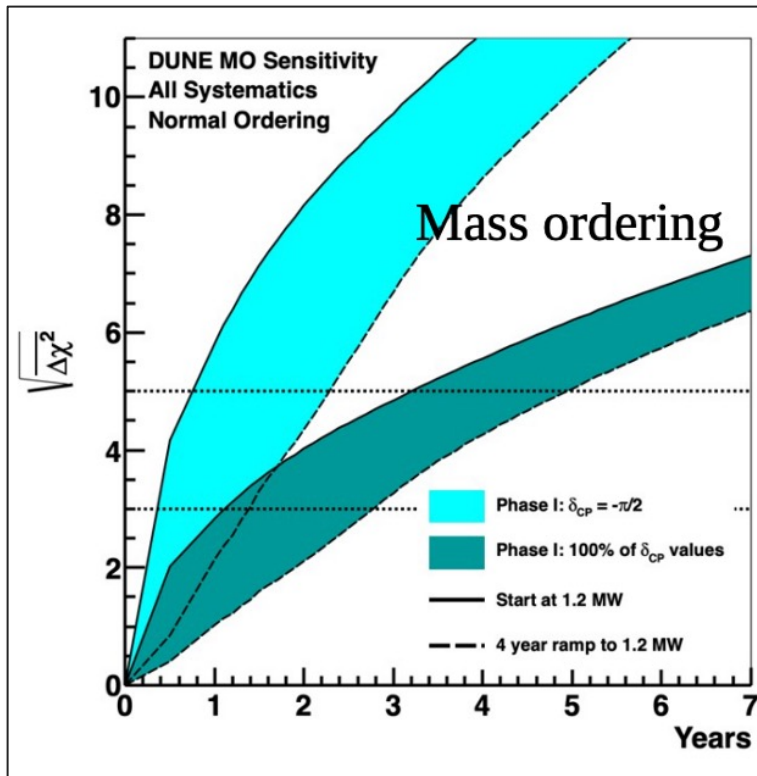
Normal Ordering



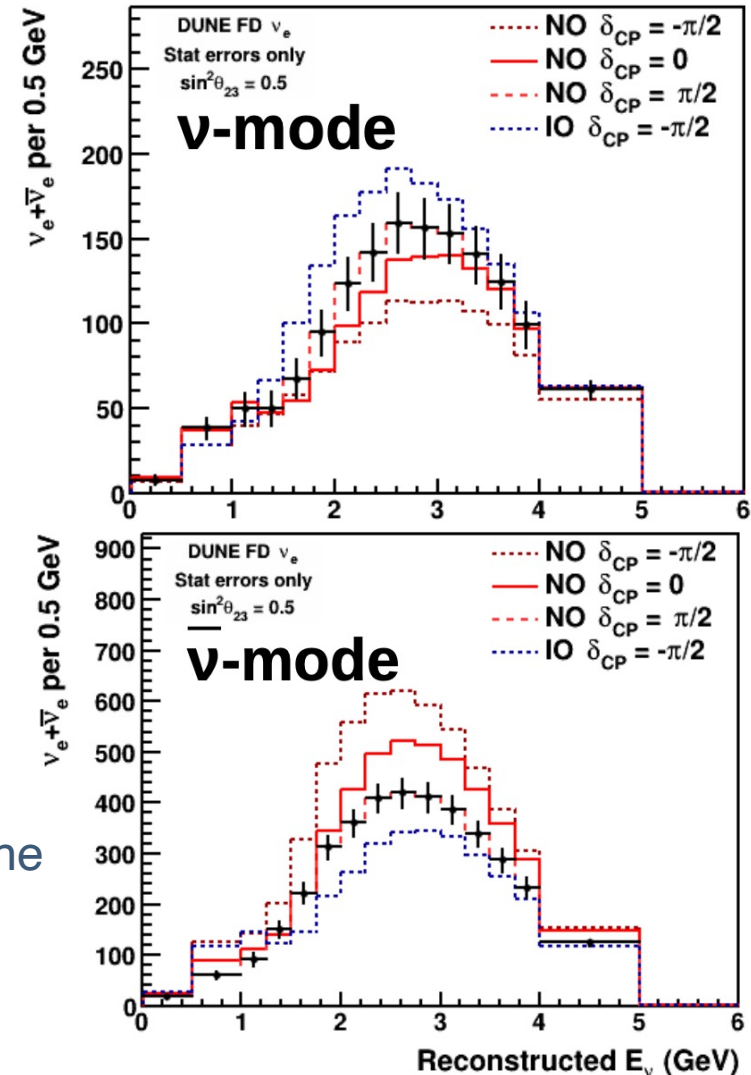
Inverted Ordering



# Goals: Mass Ordering

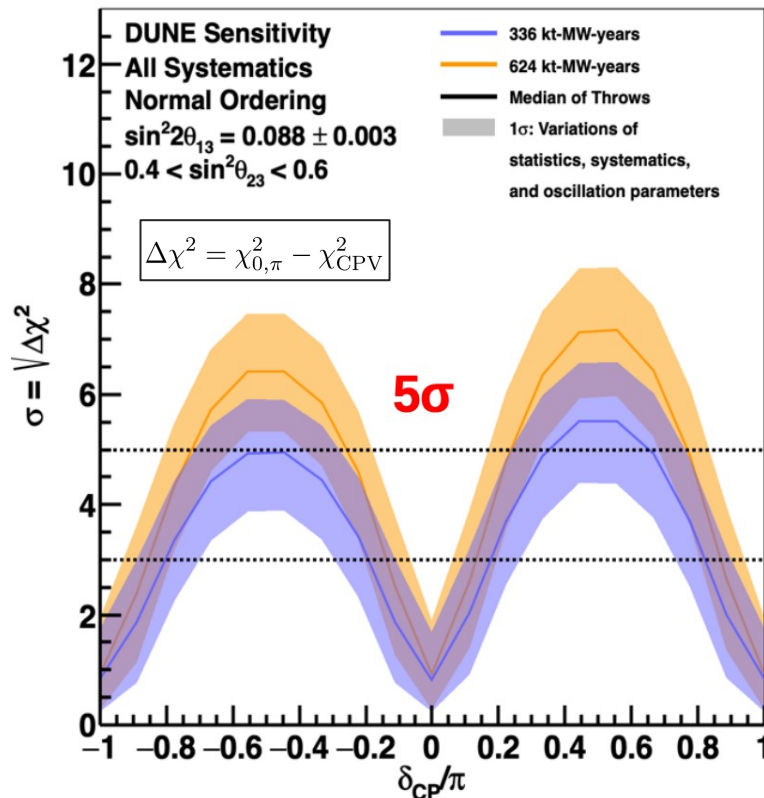


- Unrivaled sensitivity to resolve MO for any values of other oscillation parameters due to the enormous difference between NO & IO expectations for any value of  $\delta_{CP}$ .
- Early science milestone soon after turning-on.

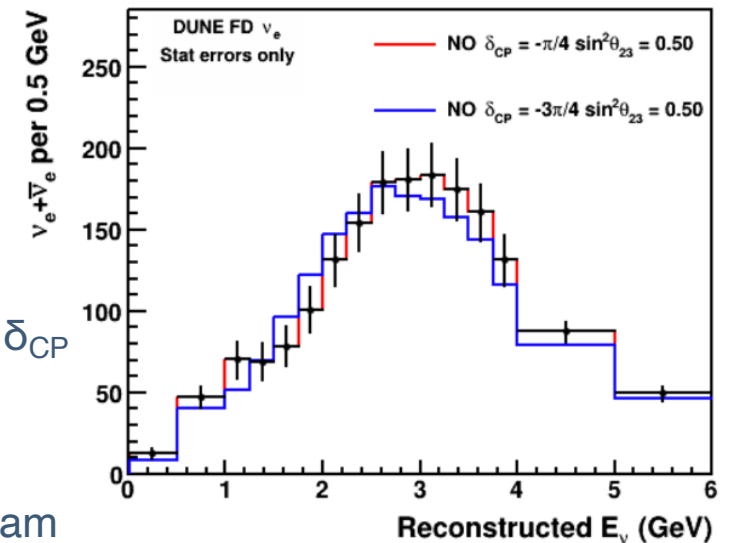
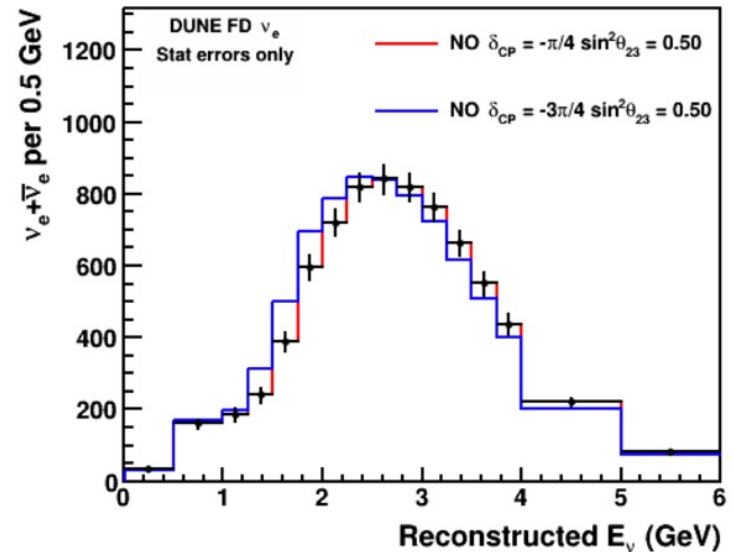




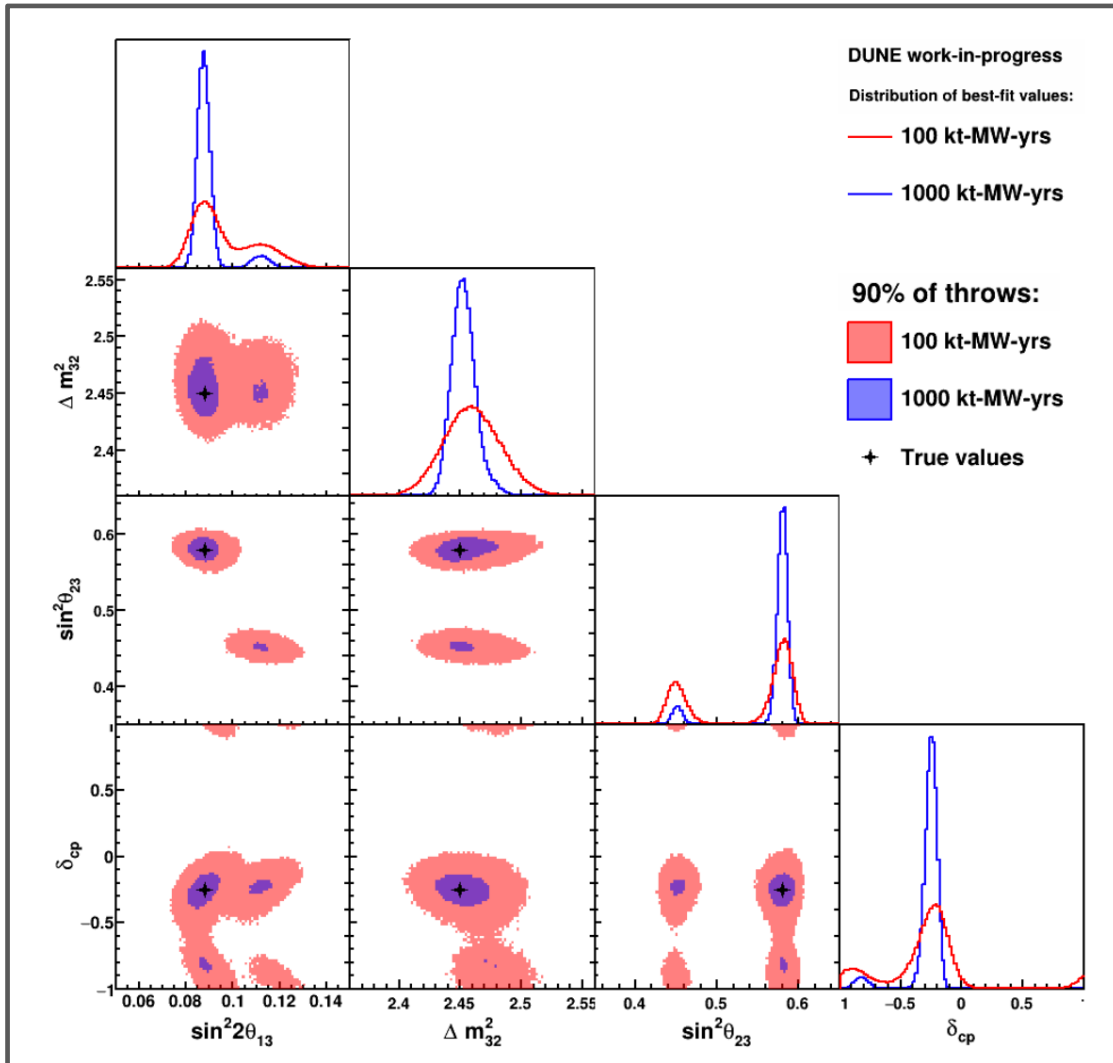
# Goals: CP violation



- DUNE has  $> 5\sigma$  discovery potential for  $> 50\%$  of  $\delta_{CP}$  values for either MO.
- Incomparable capability to resolve critical degeneracies in  $\delta_{CP}$  using the broad-spectrum beam and superior energy resolution.

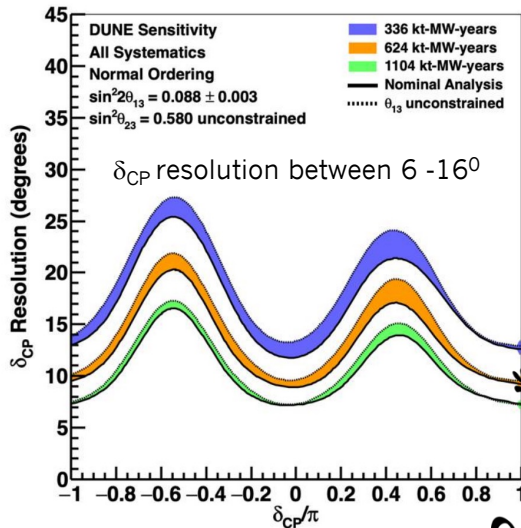


# Goals: CPv and Mixing Angles

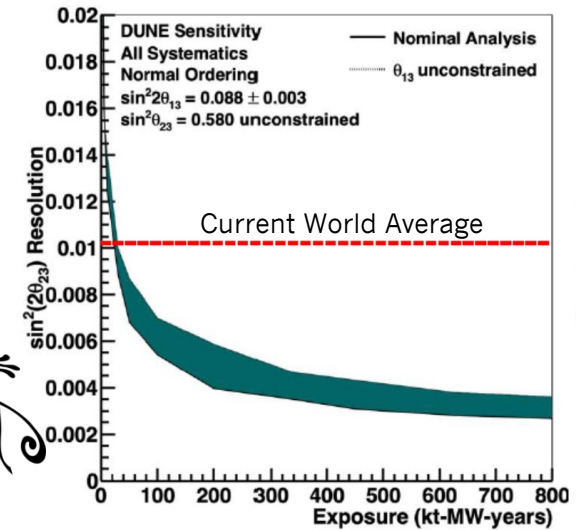


- Long-baseline oscillations are highly degenerate not only in CPv and  $\nu$ MO but also with mass-splitting and mixing angles.
- DUNE can utilize the spectral information from its broad-band beam to measure all these parameters.

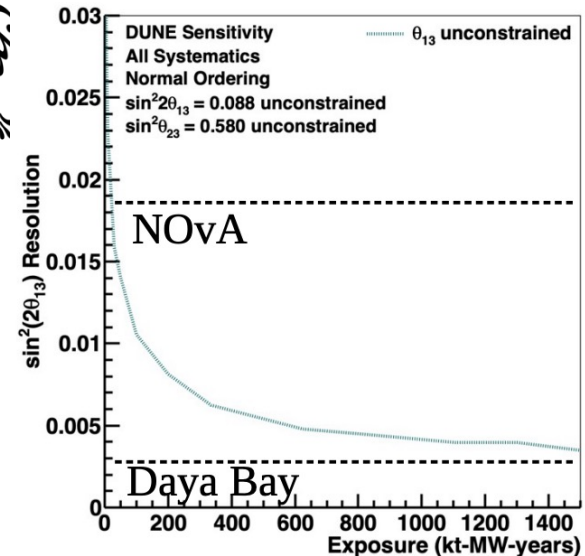
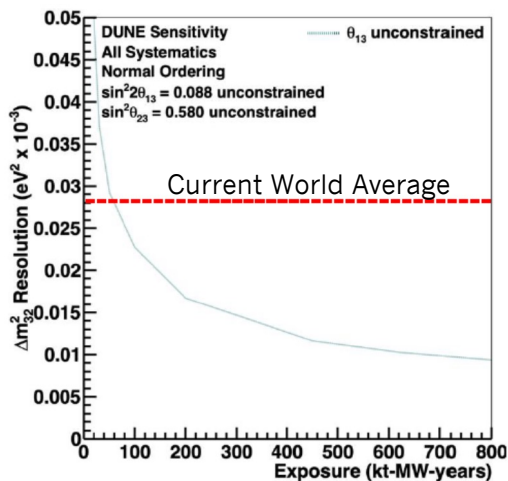
# Goals: Precision



World Average from NuFit5: JHEP 09 (2020) 178

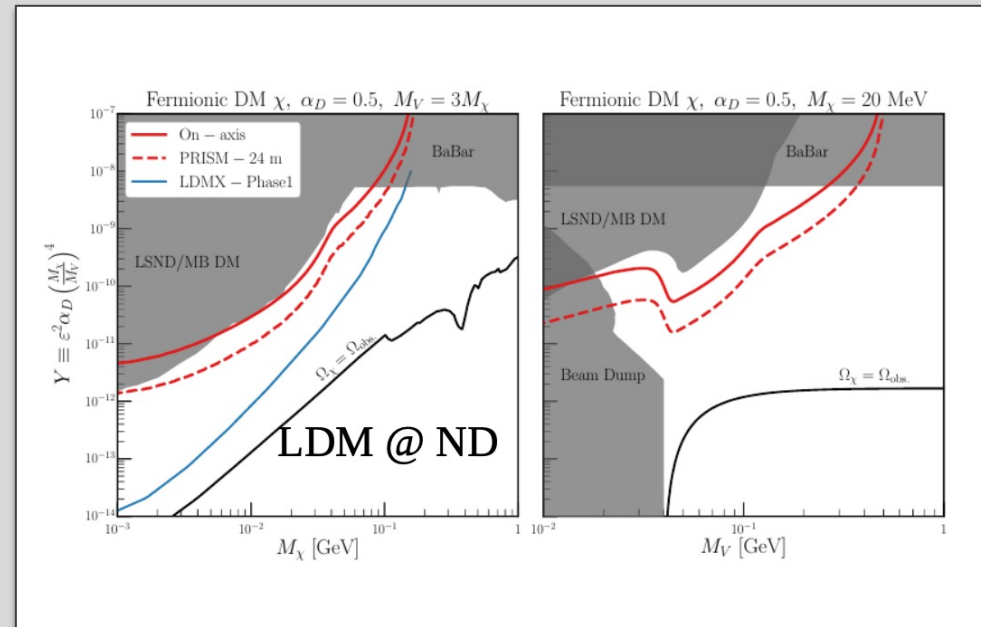
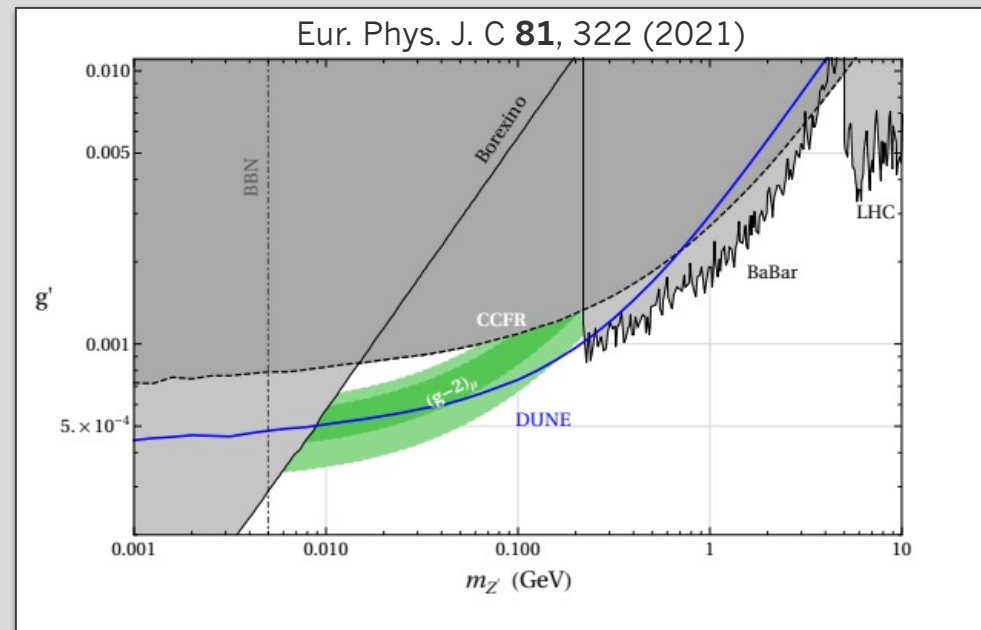


DUNE is the  
best-in-class  
experiment that will  
make unambiguous  
high precision  
measurements of  
 $\Delta m_{32}^2$ ,  $\delta_{CP}$ ,  $\theta_{23}$  and  $\theta_{13}$   
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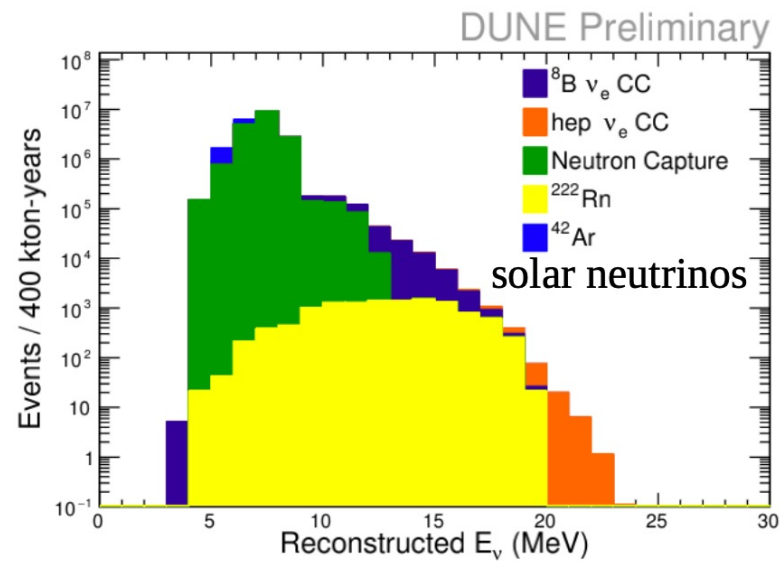
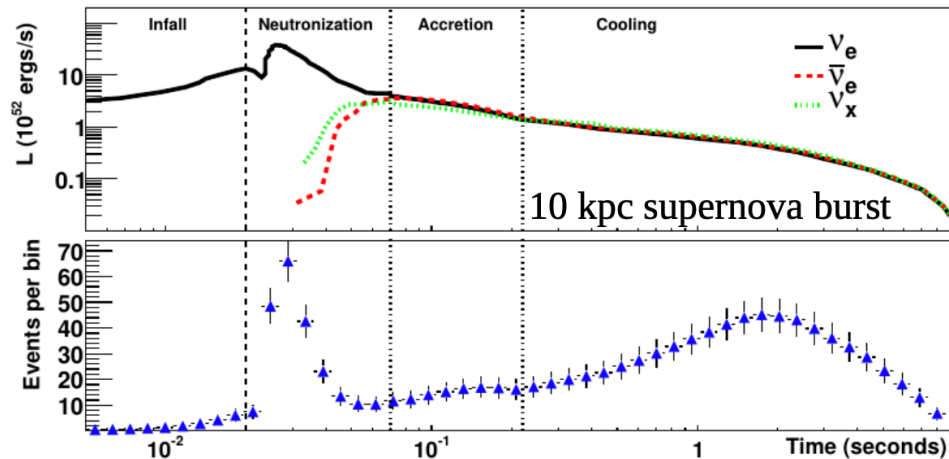


# Beyond $\nu$ SM

- Due to its large mass, underground location, high resolutions, low thresholds and intense beam DUNE has the potential to probe many BSM models such as
  - Existence of Sterile neutrinos
  - Dark Matter searches
  - Neutrino Tridents
  - Heavy neutral leptons (HNL)
  - Non-standard interactions (NSIs)
  - CPT symmetry violation



# Non-beam $\nu$ 's



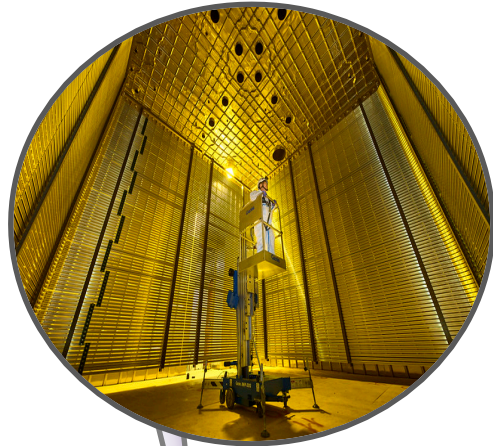
	$\nu_e$	$\bar{\nu}_e$	$\nu_x$
DUNE	89%	4%	7%
SK <sup>1</sup>	10%	87%	3%
JUNO <sup>2</sup>	1%	72%	27%

<sup>1</sup>Super-Kamiokande, *Astropart. Phys.* **81** 39-48 (2016)

<sup>2</sup>Lu, Li, and Zhou, *Phys Rev. D* **94** 023006 (2016)

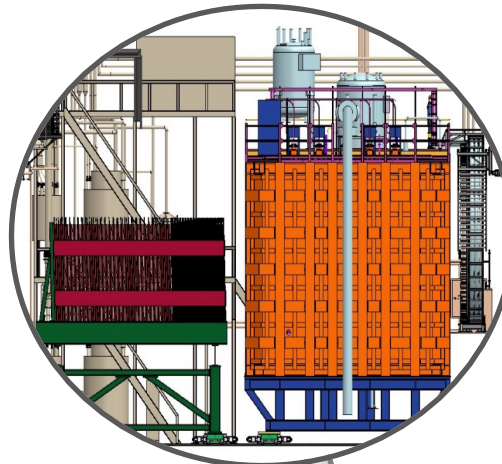
- DUNE will see SN  $\nu_e$ s adding a nice complementarity to the other large detectors.
- Solar neutrino sensitive to the  $^8\text{B}$  and potential to measure the hep flux and solar mixing parameters.

# DUNE: The Experiment



Far Detector (FD)

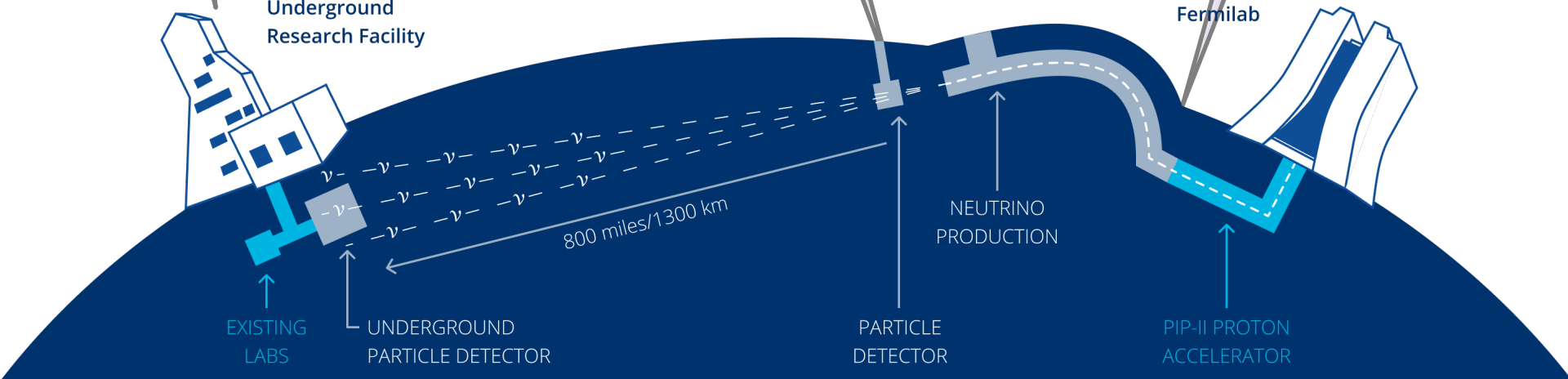
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Near Detector (ND)

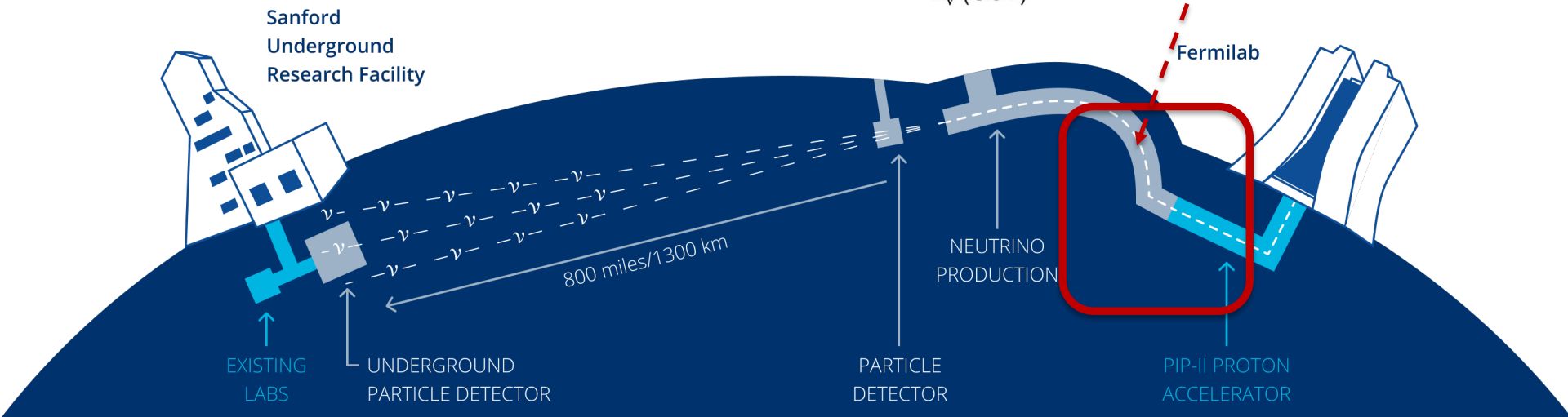
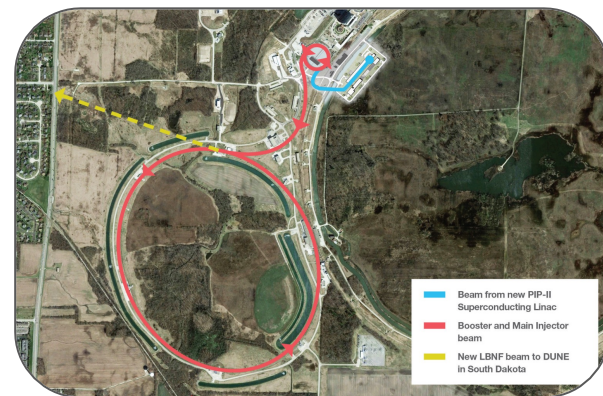
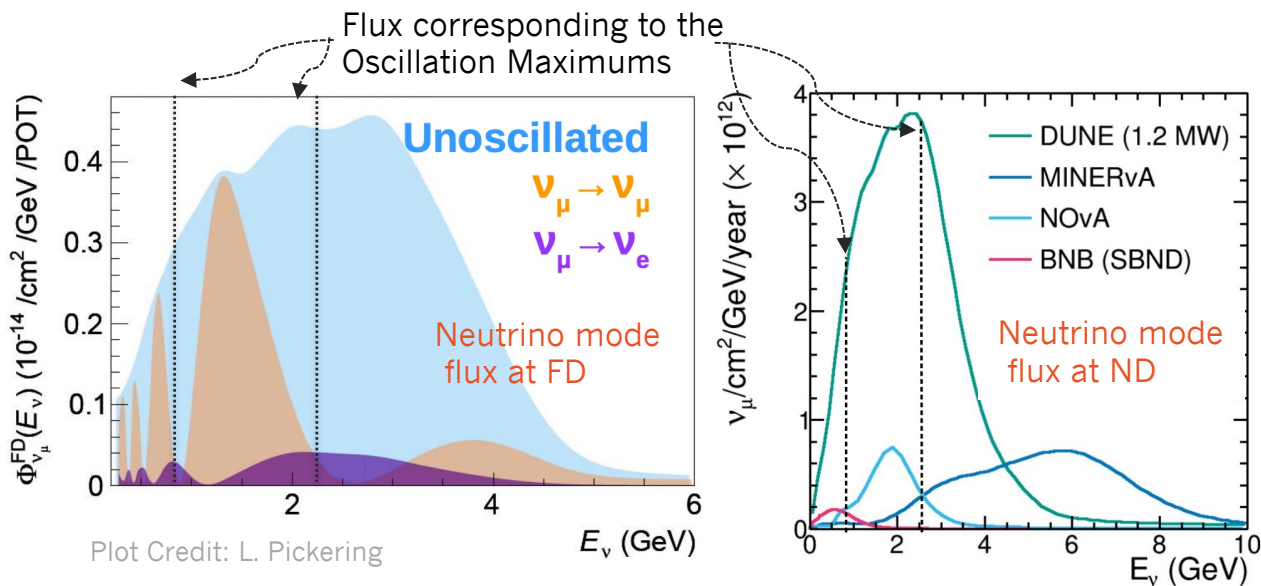


Neutrino Beam



# Neutrino Beam

**Building the world's most intense neutrino beam!**



# DUNE: Driven by LBNF and PIP-II

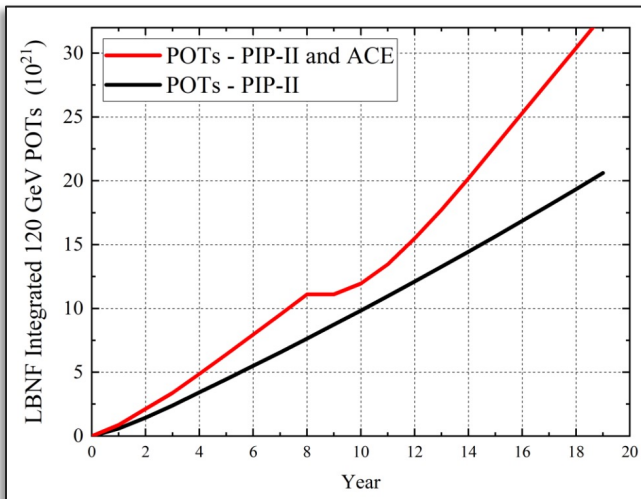
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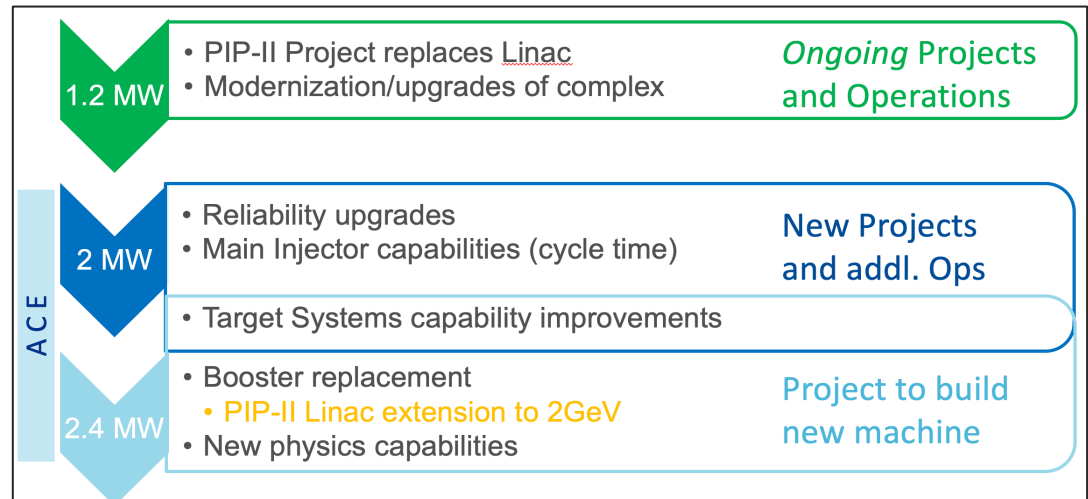
**DUNE: The world's most capable neutrino experiment, driven by LBNF and PIP-II**

**Delivering on LBNF/DUNE is Fermilab's highest priority**

*Slide from Adam Schreckenberger*



*Plot from Mary Convery*



*Slide from Ralitsa Sharankova*



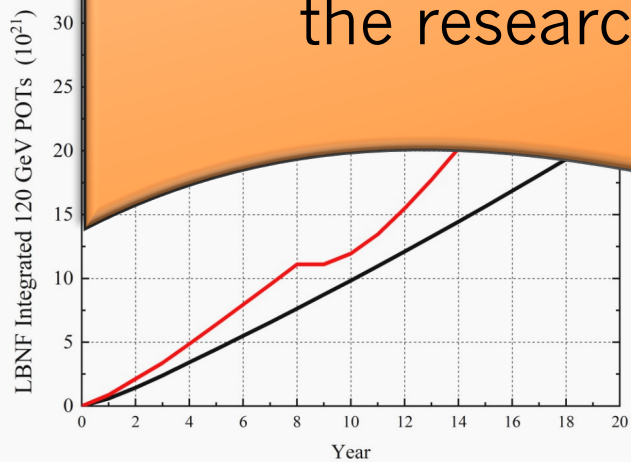
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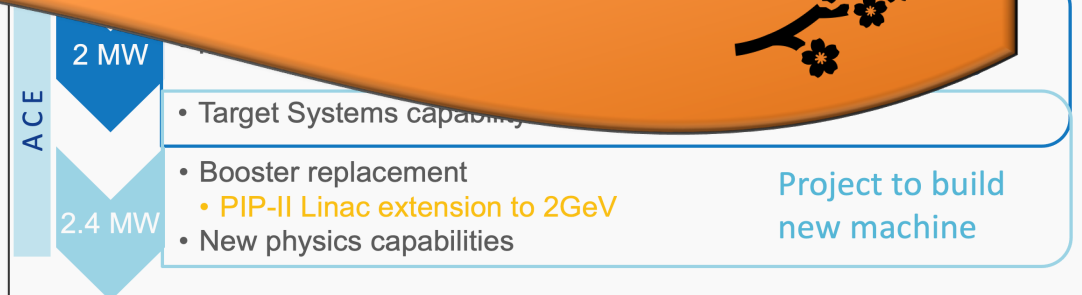
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Huge thank you to the Accelerator Division, for all the research, innovations, and services!

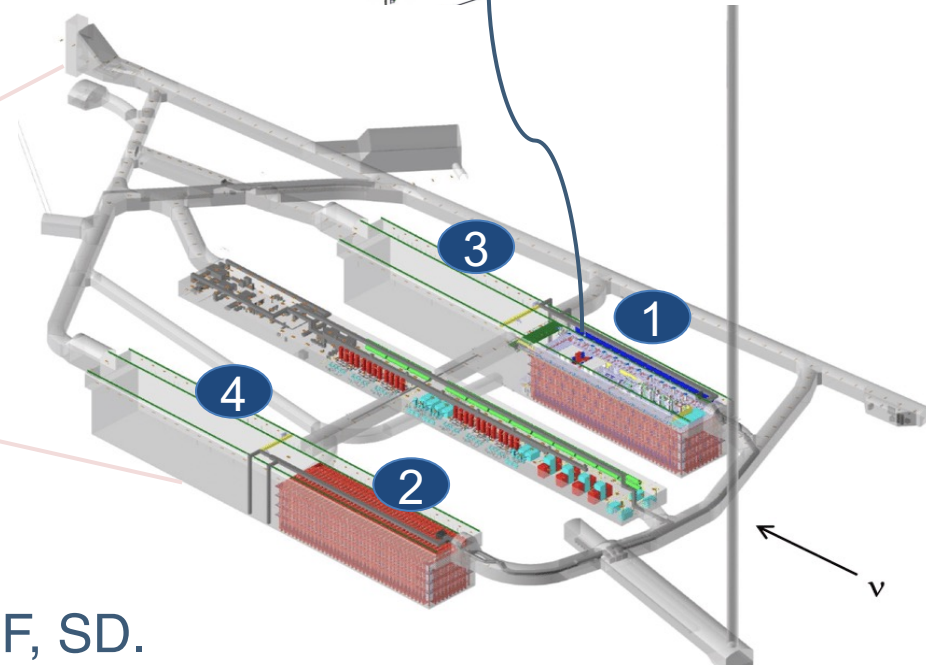
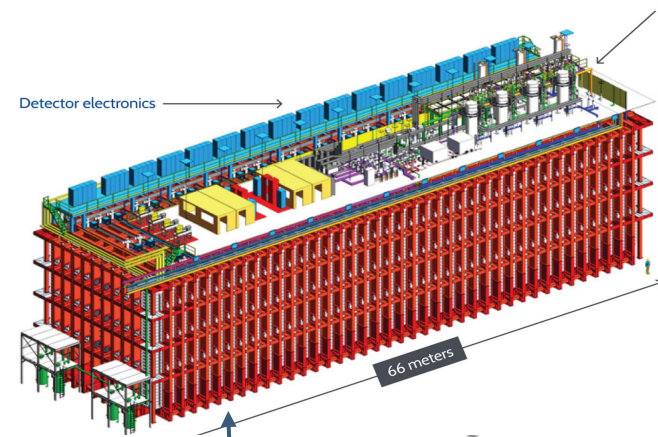
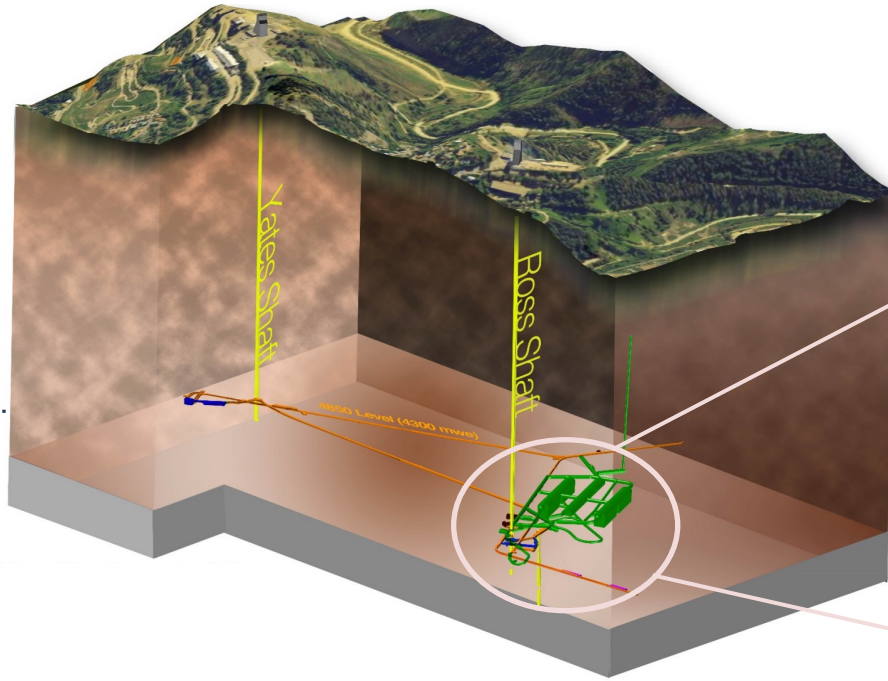


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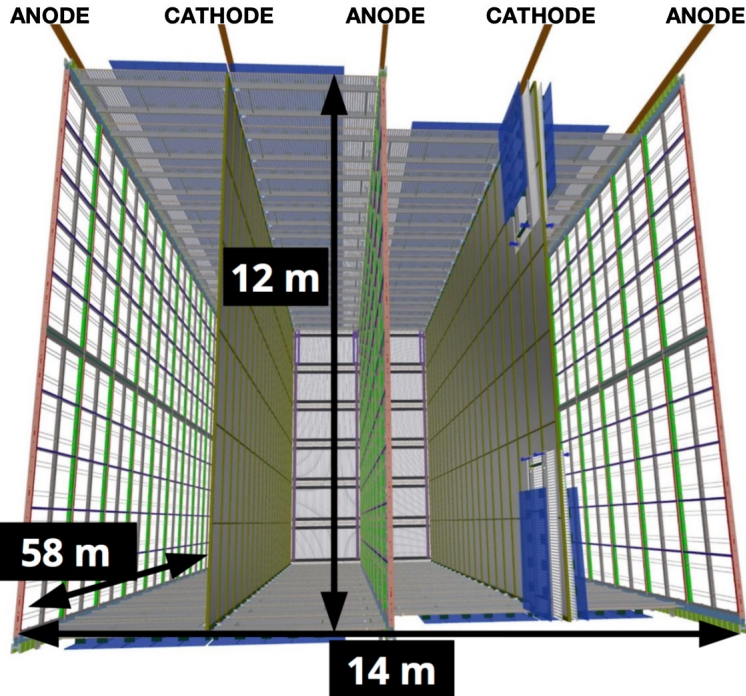
# DUNE FD



- 4 modules of 17 kt LArTPC detector
- Located 1.5 km underground at SURF, SD.
- Design of FD-I and FD-II has been frozen.
- Discussions and R&D for the remaining module design is ongoing.

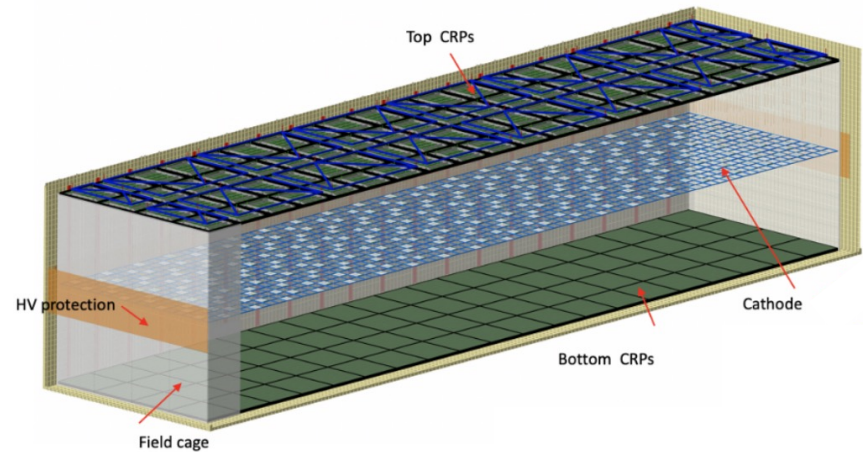
# FD: Horizontal and Vertical Drift LArTPCs

TDR: JINST 15 T08010 (2020)



- First module will use horizontal drift technology.
- 150 Anode Plane Assemblies (APAs) with 384,000 readout wires
- 3.5 m drift; Cathode at -180 kV; 500 V/cm field

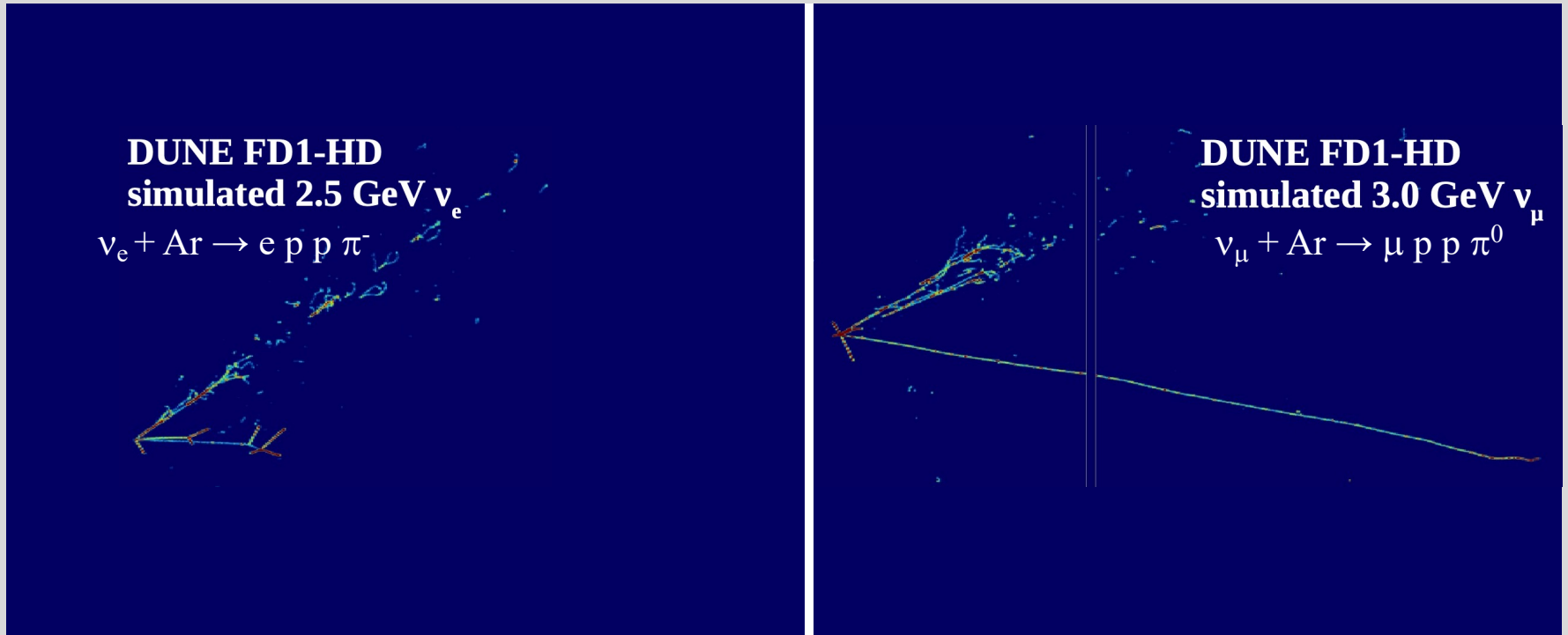
## Two Posters at UM - Alex Heindel and Sarah Choate



- Second module will use vertical drift technology. TDR coming out soon!
- Charge readout planes (CRPs) are at the top and bottom with the Cathode in the middle. The photon detectors are integrated on cathode and on cryostat walls.
- 6.5 m drift; -300kV on cathode; 450 V/cm field

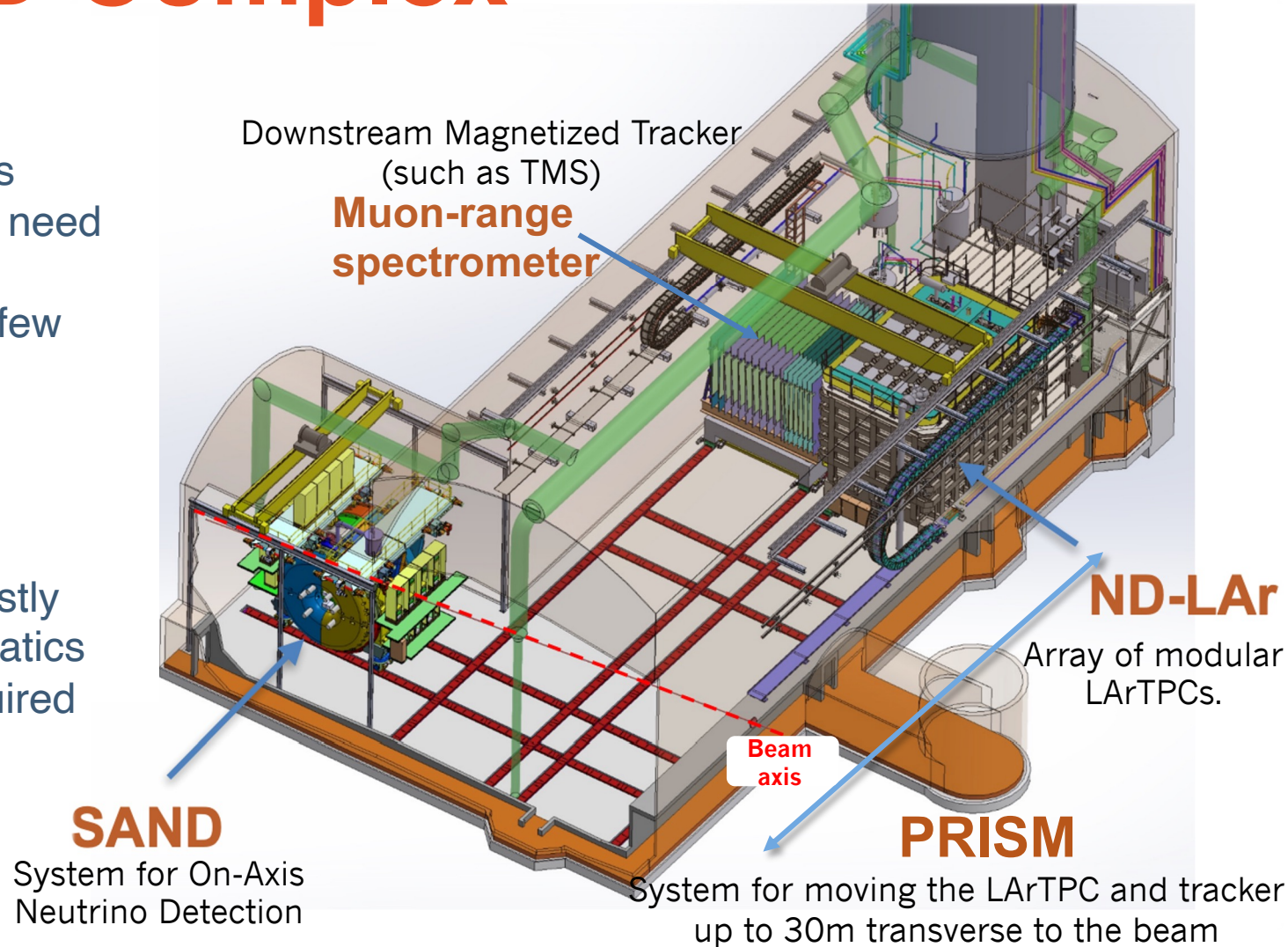
# Why LArTPCs?

- Excellent imaging for neutrino flavor ID and energy reconstruction with high resolution.
- Low thresholds for charged particles enables precise reconstruction of lepton and hadronic energy over a broad energy range.



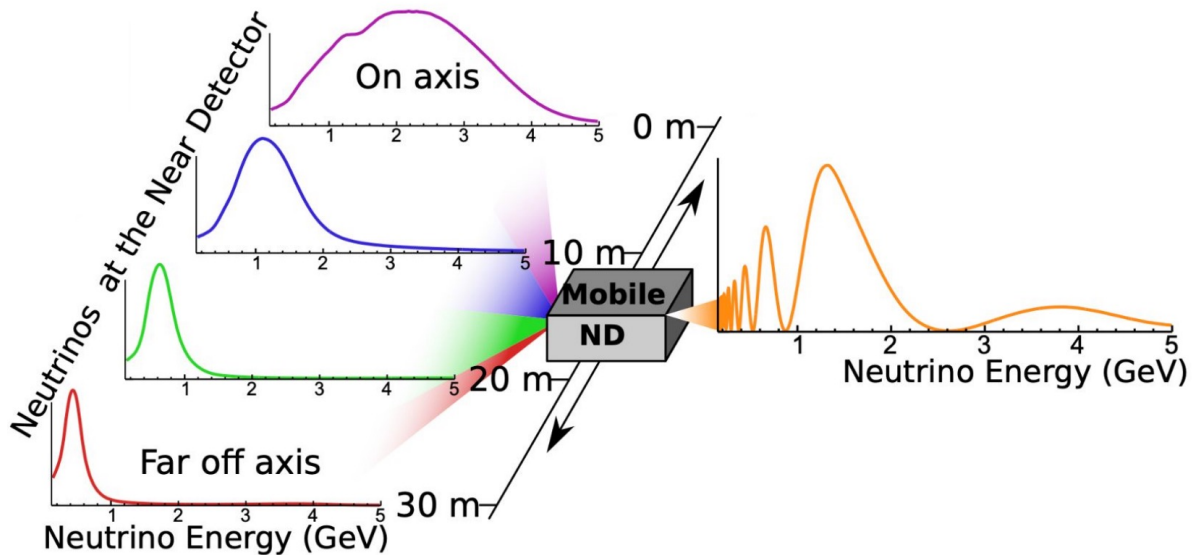
# The ND Complex

- To achieve its ambitious physics goals, DUNE will need to constrain its systematics to a few percent level.
- A suite of near detectors are designed to robustly constrain systematics and achieve required sensitivities.

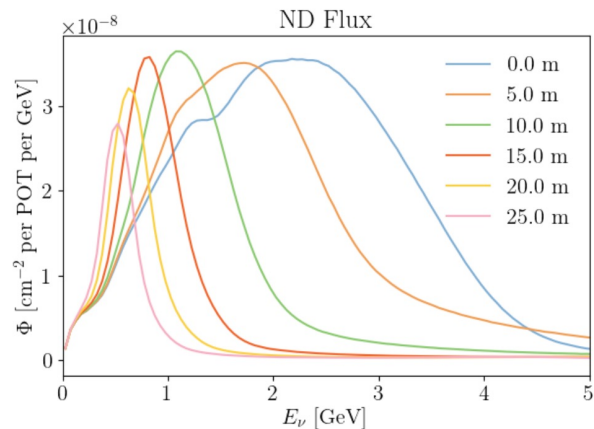


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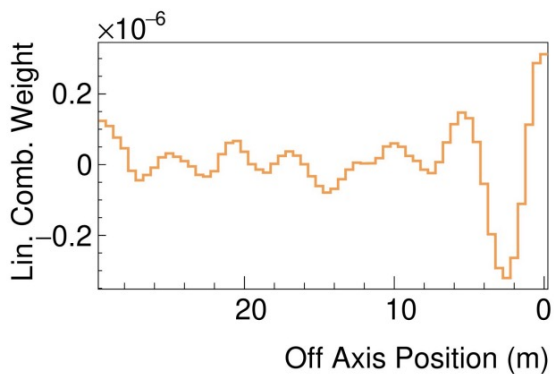
- Using a linear combination of ND flux at various off-axis positions, we can construct a prediction for the oscillated FD flux.



$$\Phi^{ND}(\mathbf{E}_\nu, \mathbf{x})$$

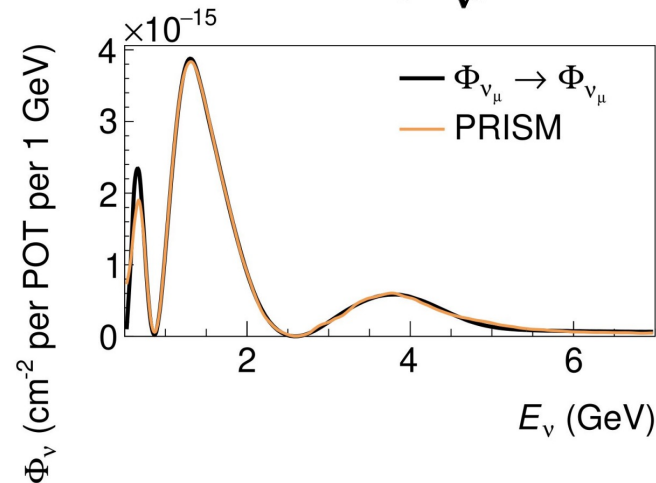


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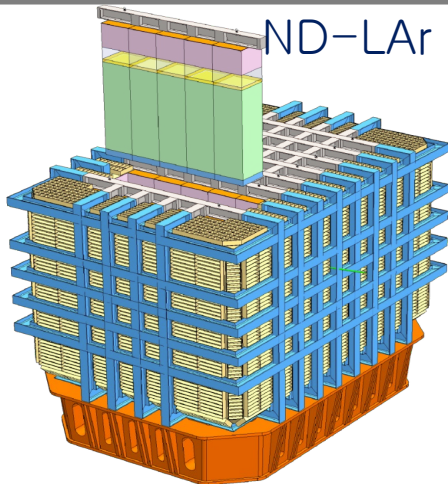


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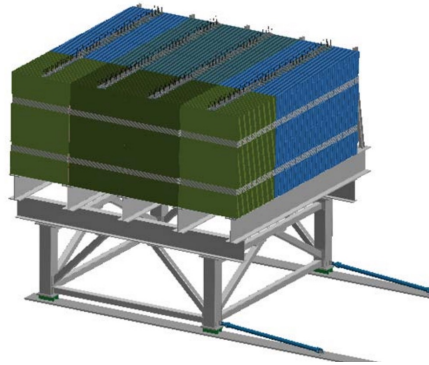
$$\Phi^{FD}(\mathbf{E}_\nu)$$



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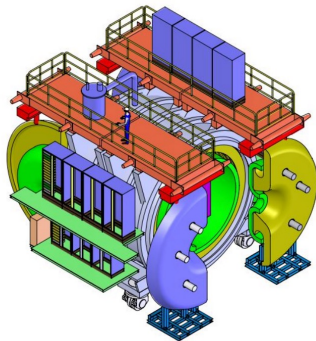


ND-LAr



TMS

SAND



- ✓ Measurements transferable to the FD
- ✓ Constrain the cross-section model
- ✓ Measure the neutrino flux
- ✓ Obtain measurement with different fluxes
- ✓ Monitor time variations of the neutrino beam
- ✓ Operate in high-rate environment
- + New exciting physics measurements to test BSM, sterile and dark-matter models.

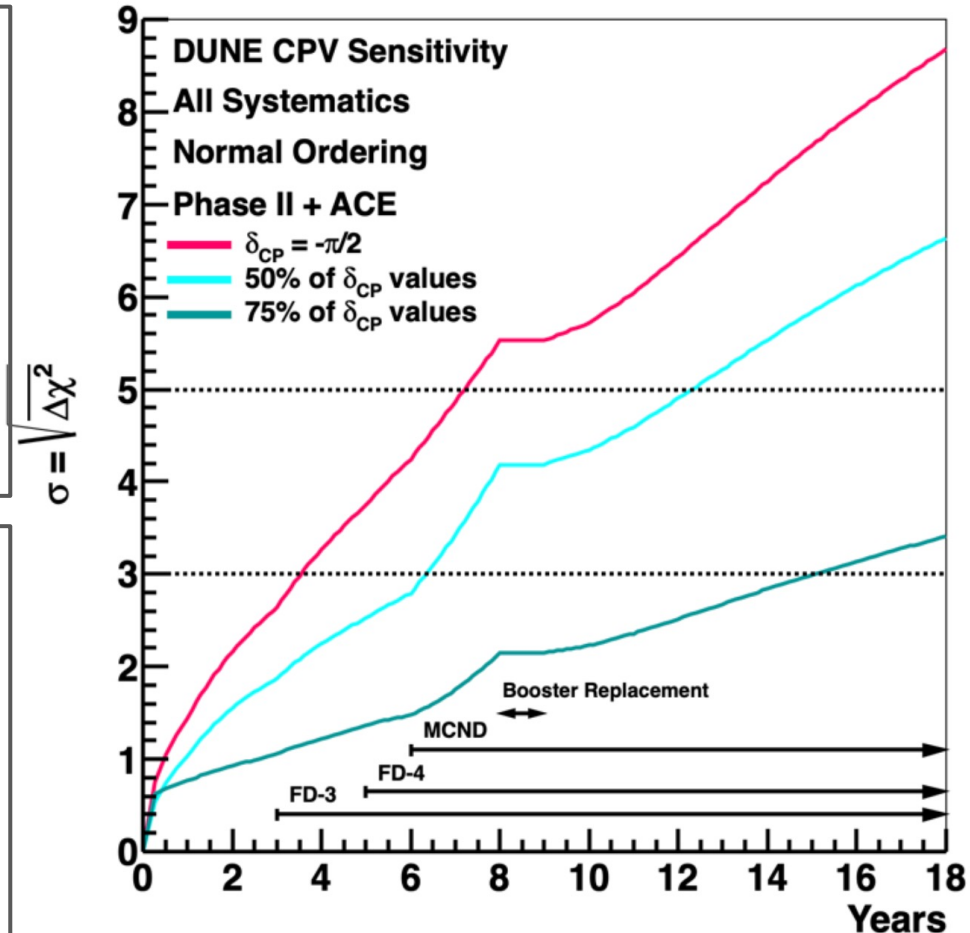
# DUNE: Phased Construction

## Phase I

- FD mass: 17 kt x 2 modules
- Beam: 1.2 MW
- ND: ND-LAr, TMS, SAND

## Phase II

- FD mass: 17kt x 4 modules
- Beam: 2.4 MW
- ND: TMS to be replaced by a more capable ND such as Gas-Ar TPC



DUNE needs the full detector scope to achieve its science goals!



# DUNE: Progress



# Milestones in 2023

- ✓ **CD-1RR approved by DOE.**
  - Reaffirmed science objectives
  - Reset point estimate and cost range
  - Implemented subprojects.

16 Feb 2023

- ✓ **CD-3a subproject approval for Far Detectors and Cryogenic Infrastructure (FDC)**  
21 Feb 2023

25 March 2023

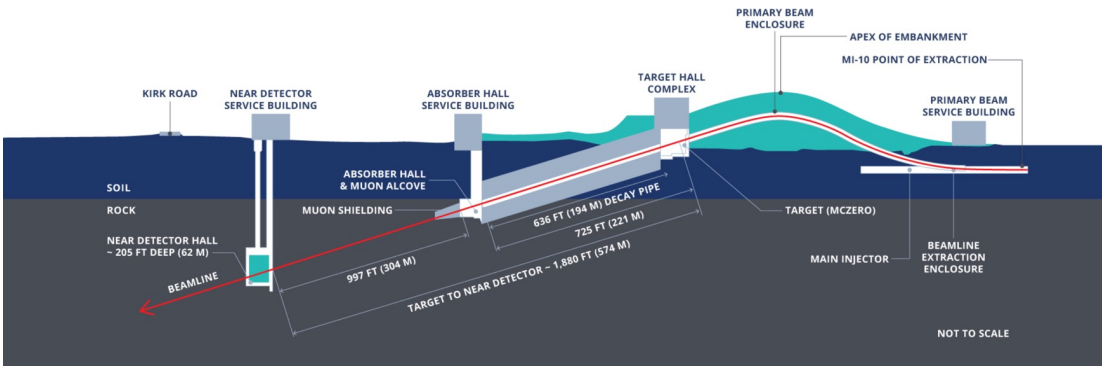
- ✓ **CD-3a subproject approval for Near Site Conventional Facilities and Beamline**  
**CD-2/3 subproject approval for Far Site Conventional Facilities – Building and Site Infrastructure (FSCF-BSI)**

Sep 2023

Coming up soon:  
**CD-2/3 subproject approval for Far Detectors and Cryogenic Infrastructure (FDC)**

Not to scale

# Near Site Facilities & Beamline @ Fermilab



- Beamline design at 70% final design status and prototyping is in advanced stages.
- Conventional Facilities design remains at 100% final design status.
- Near site facilities construction starts in 2025.

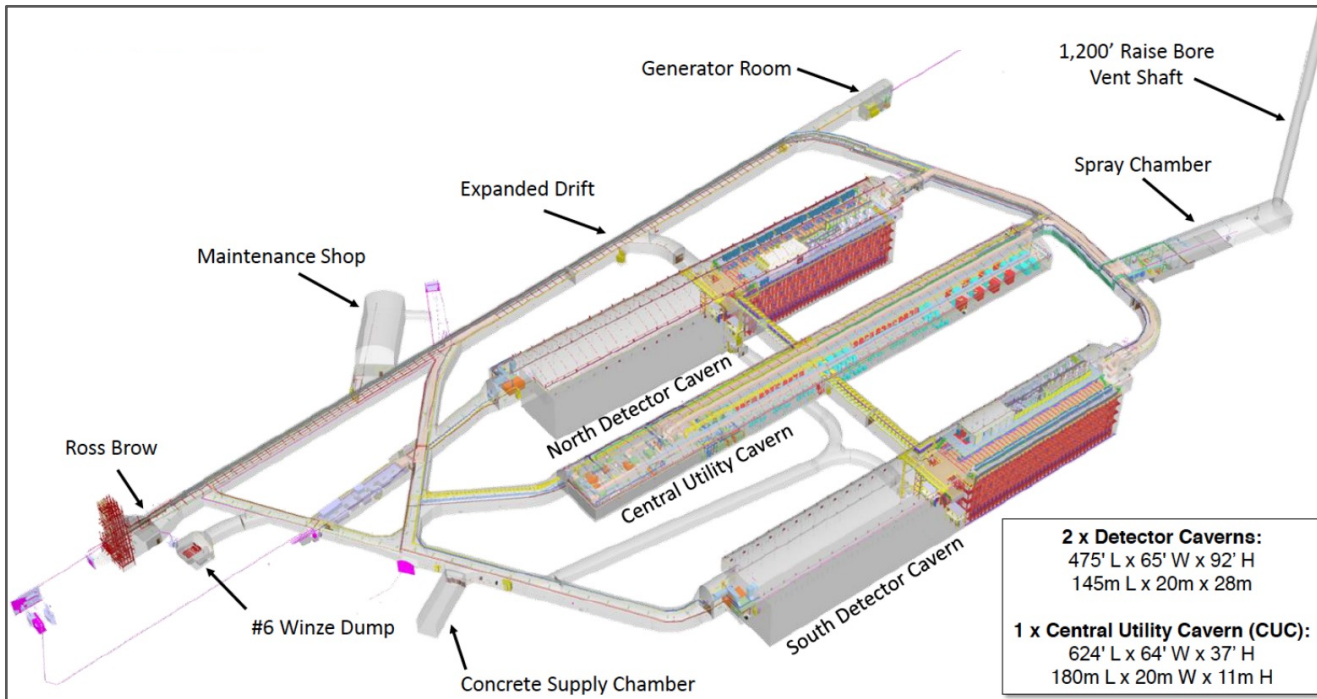


Groundbreaking for PIP-II Accelerator Building



Cryogenics Plant Building is complete

# Far Site Facilities @SURF



- Excavation of caverns for the far detector is ongoing at SURF, SD.
  - ~ 70% completed by May 2023

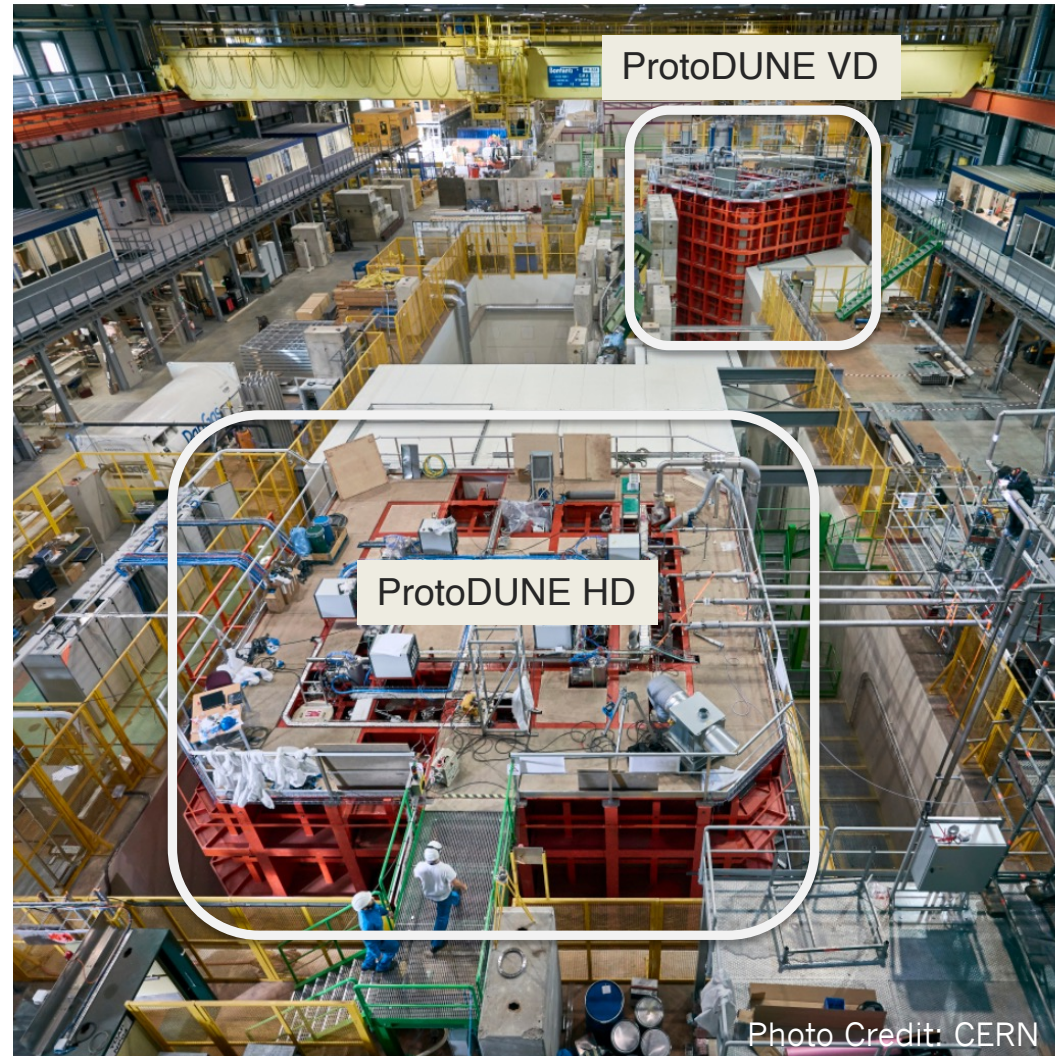
# FD-I Construction



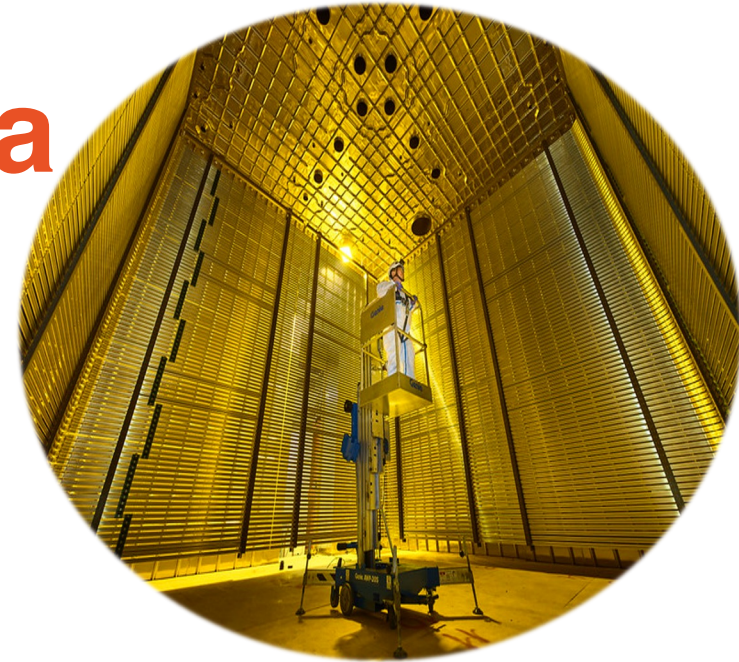
- APAs are being built primarily in the UK and the test APAs have arrived at SURF.
- CERN has started fabrication of cryostat-I.
- Aim to have FD-I and FD-II taking physics data by 2029.

# FD Prototypes: ProtoDUNEs @CERN

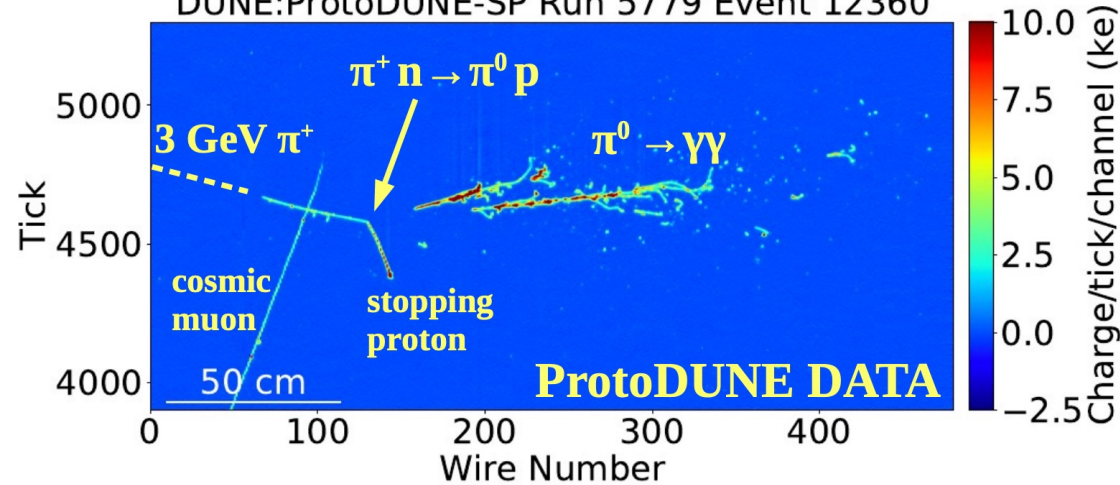
- Two 770-ton prototypes of DUNE FD have been built at CERN for a test-beam run with charged particles.
- ProtoDUNE- Horizontal Drift (HD) collected over **4 million events in a successful run from 2018- 2020.**
- A run of ProtoDUNE VD and a second run of ProtoDUNE HD is anticipated early next year.



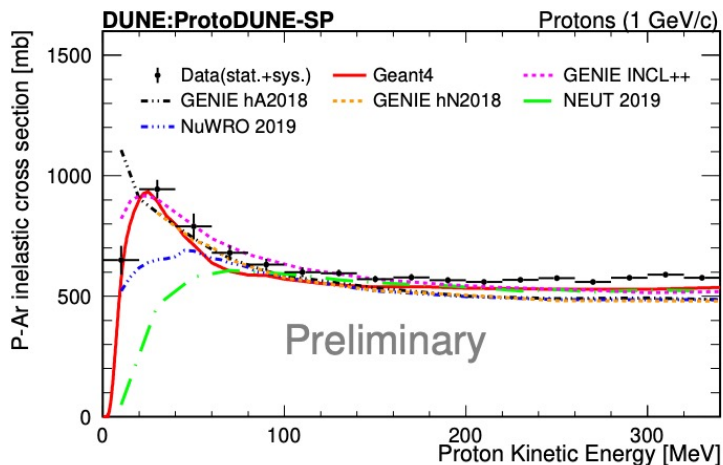
# ProtoDUNE-HD Data



DUNE:ProtoDUNE-SP Run 5779 Event 12360

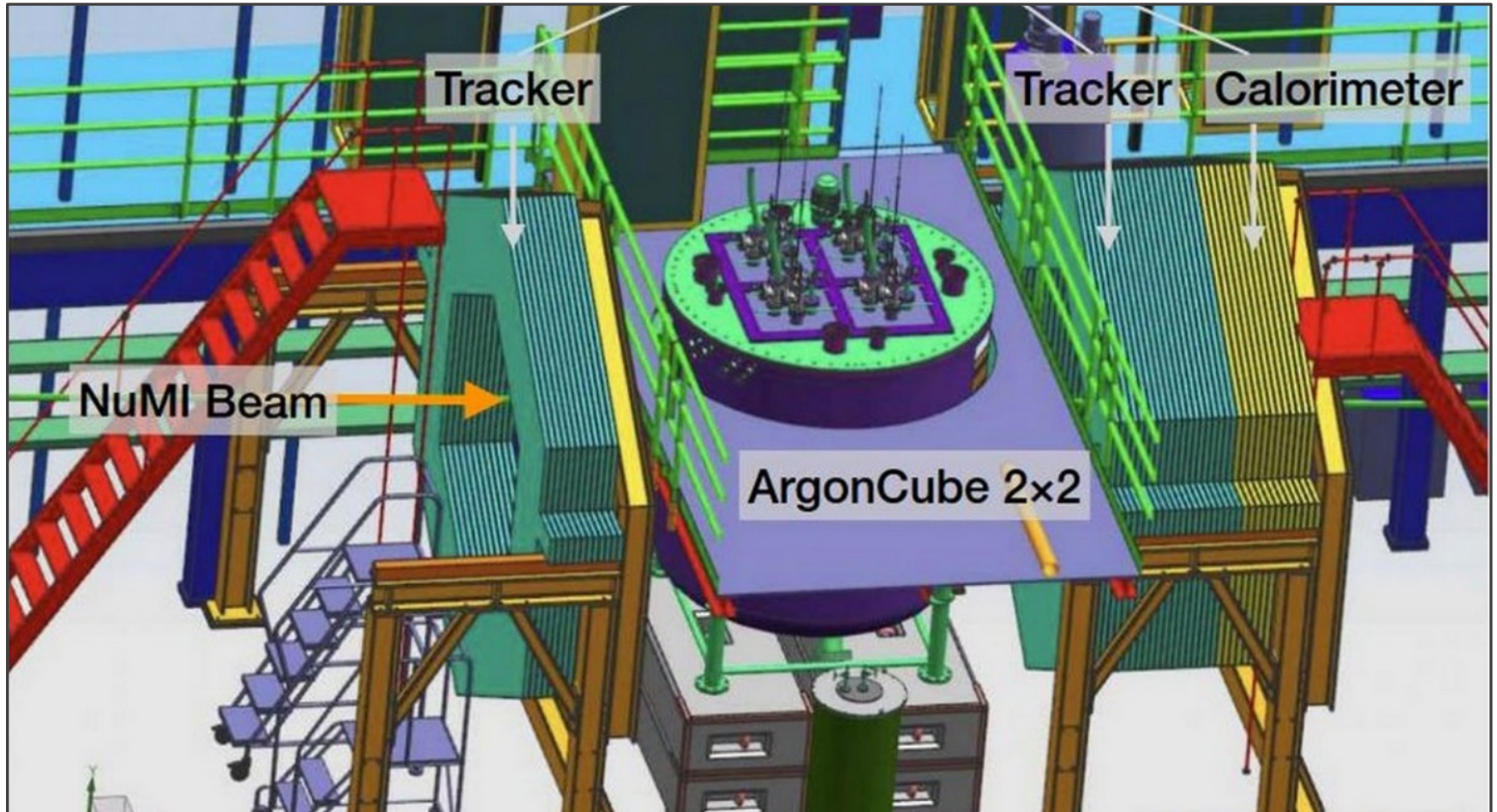


p-Ar cross section



- Rich test-beam data collected with charged particles (charged pions, kaons, protons, muons and electrons) with different momentum modes at CERN.
- Multiple papers on calibration, detector physics measurements and reconstruction have been published since 2020.
- **Hadron-Ar cross-section measurements coming out soon!**

# ND Prototypes



**See next talk by Zach Hulcher!**



# Summary

- DUNE has excellent physics sensitivities:
  - Resolve the neutrino mass ordering and the potential to measure CP violation over a broad range of  $\delta_{CP}$
  - Unique and complementary sensitivity to low-energy neutrinos from supernova burst and to physics beyond the SM
- DUNE is making good progress on all fronts:
  - Far site excavation is **~70% finished** and first components of the FD are being shipped to SURF.
  - PIP-II is advancing rapidly and Near site design has finished
- Both Near and Far detector prototyping is progressing successfully.
  - Rich test-beam data collected in the first ProtoDUNE run.
  - **First  $\nu$ -beam test with a DUNE prototype detector is coming this year!**

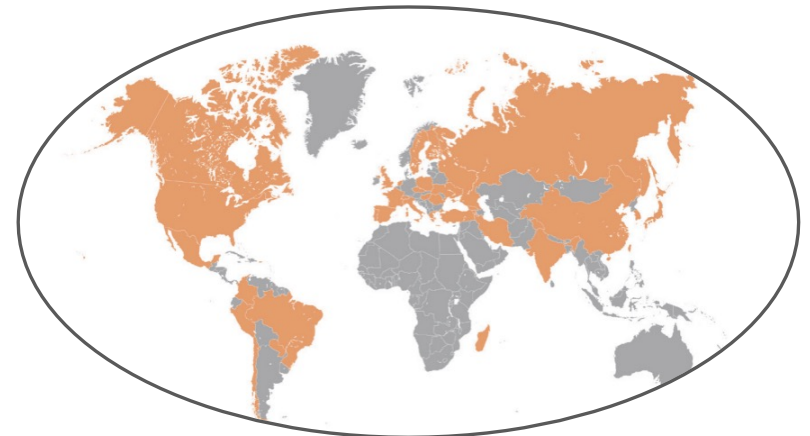
# Thank You!

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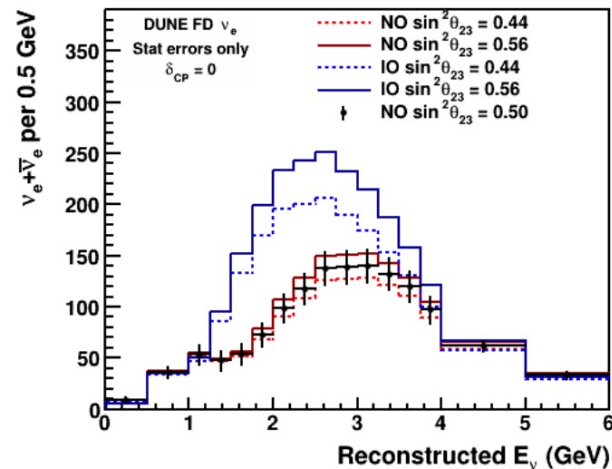
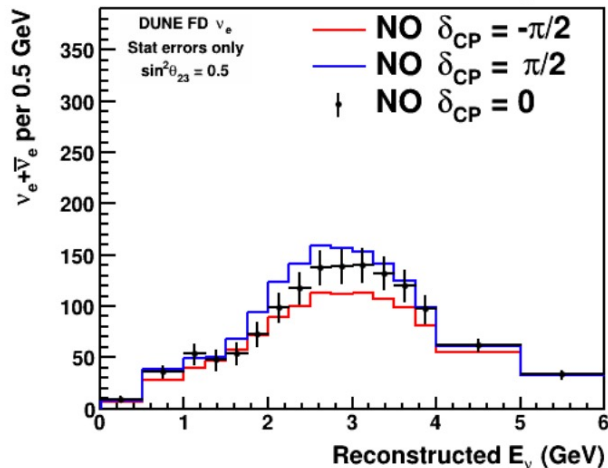
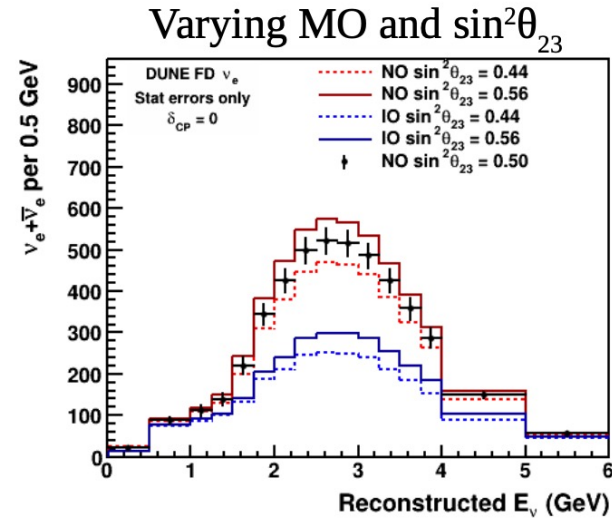
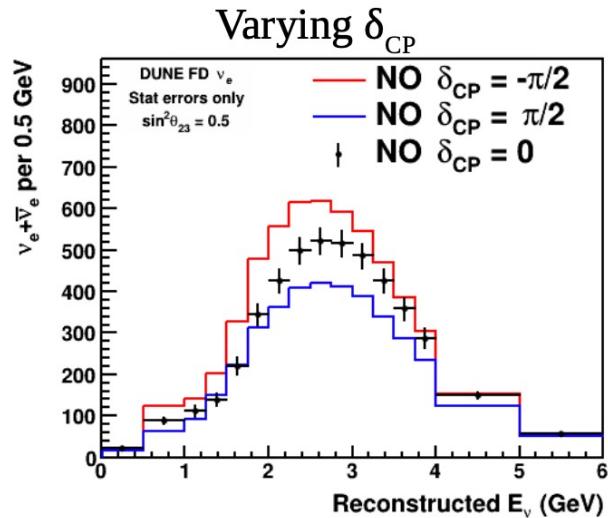
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- © **200+** institutions
- © **37 countries (including CERN)**

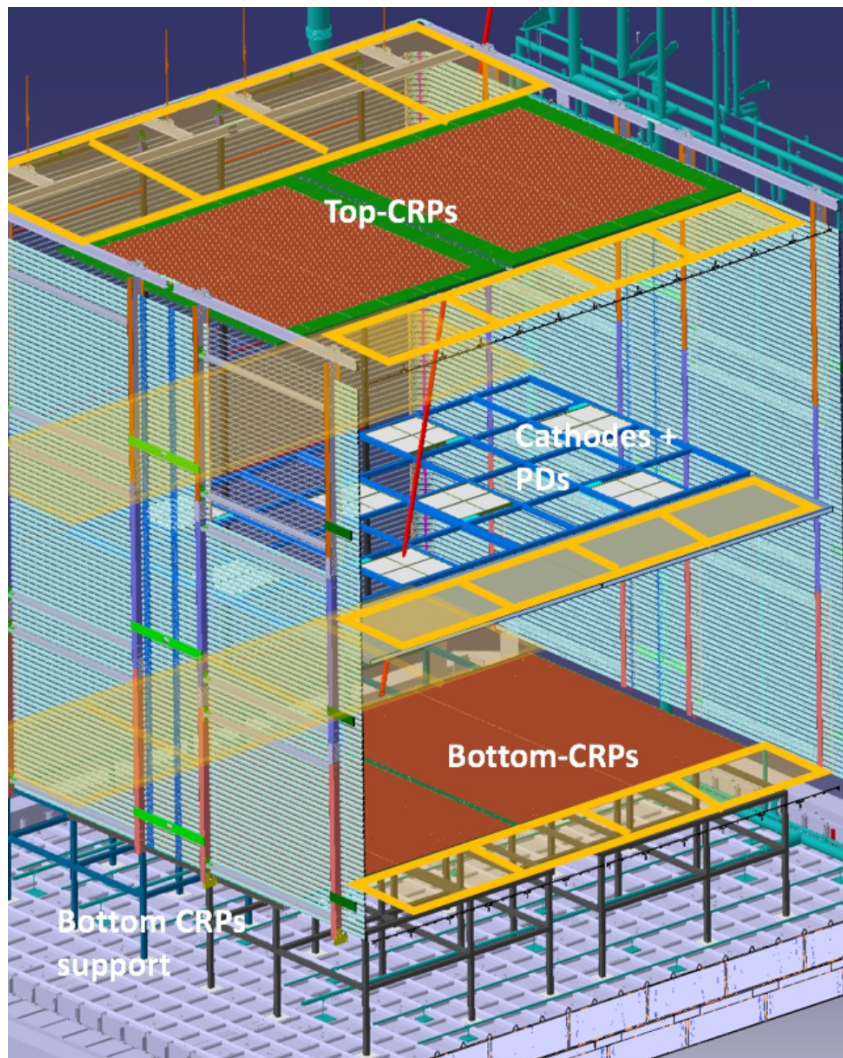


# Supplemental Materials

# DUNE: Physics



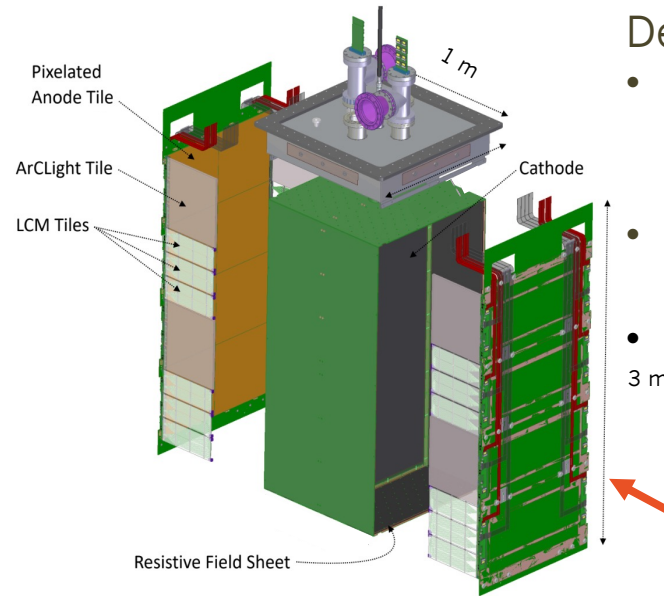
# FD Prototypes



# ND-LAr

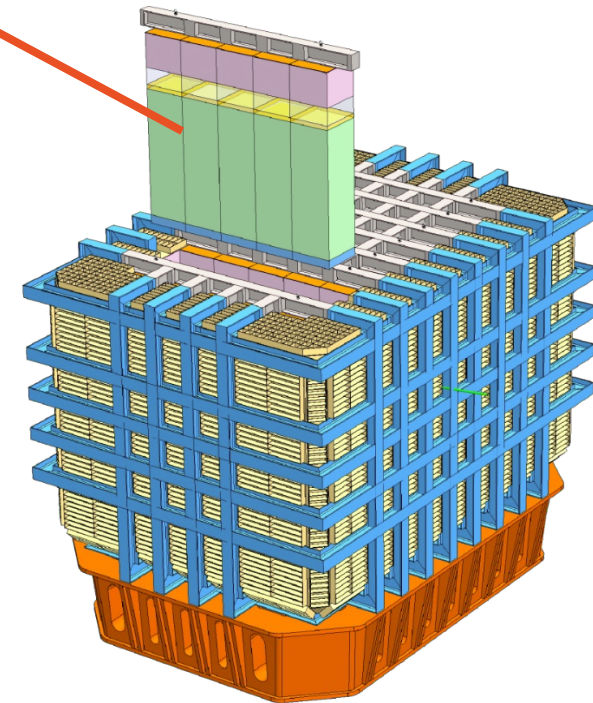
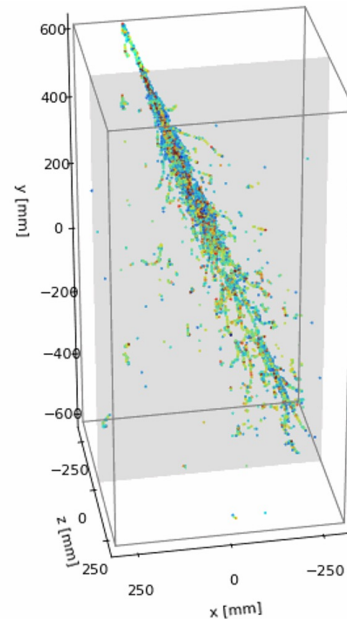
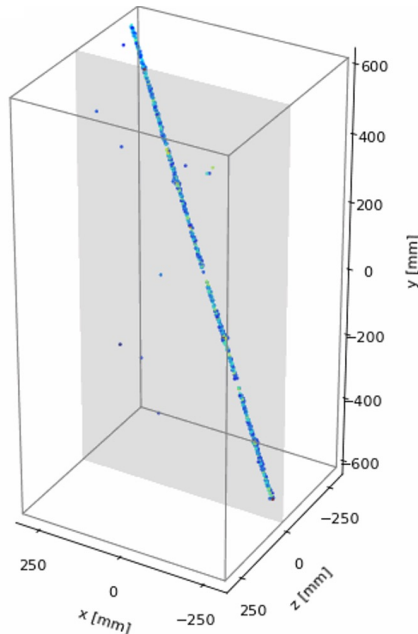
## Core Requirements :

- Liquid Ar target and similar detector technology as FD.
- Constrain flux via  $\nu+e$  elastic scattering.
- Precise constraints on event rates (flux  $\times$  cross sections) in LAr



## Design :

- 5 x 7 array of 1m x 1m x 3m TPC modules with  $\sim 50t$  fiducial volume
- Modular design to tolerate high event rate environment.
- Pixelated charge readout for true 3D imaging of particle tracks.

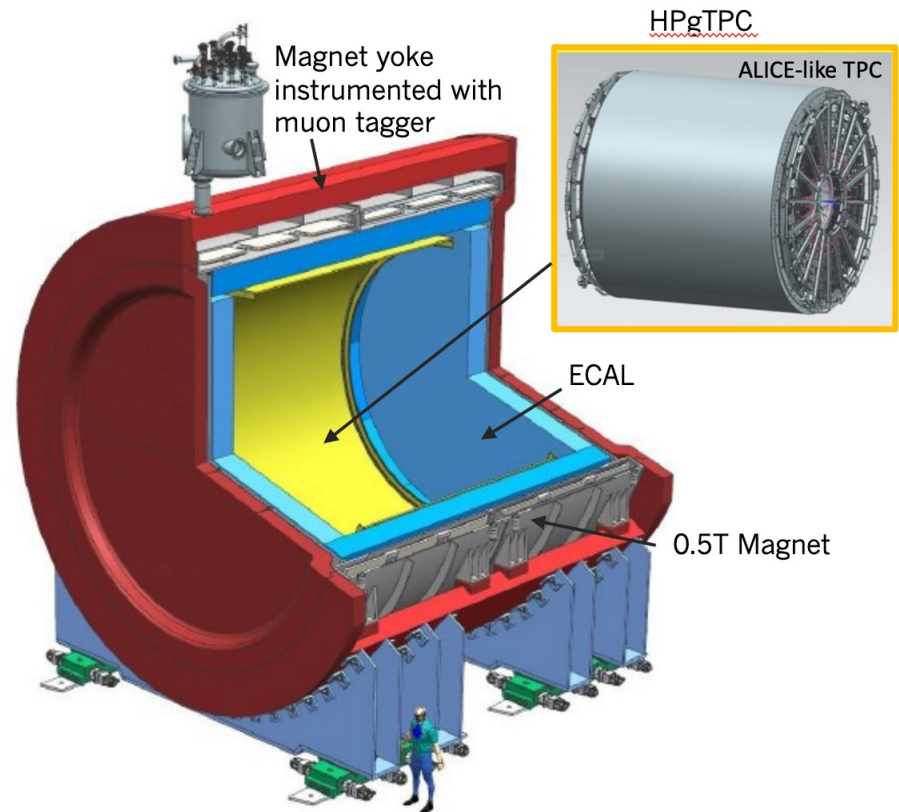


# ND-GAr

Core Requirement : Downstream tracking of muon tracks exiting ND-LAr + low threshold tracking of hadronic system providing fine tuning of cross-section measurements

Main design capabilities:

- Excellent PID,
- tracking efficiency,
- momentum resolution
- $4\pi$  coverage
- Minimal secondary interactions
- Low threshold : high sensitivity to low energy protons or pions
- Measure exclusive final-state topologies



# SAND

Core Requirement :  
Continuous monitoring of  
the on-axis flux to  
determine flux stability  
and trigger quick response  
to any beamline geometry  
change.

Design:

- Inner straw-tube tracker (STT) surrounded by an electromagnetic calorimeter (ECAL) inside a large solenoidal magnet.
- STT provides CH<sub>2</sub> and C targets for a model-independent measurement of (anti)neutrino interactions on hydrogen and comparison with world cross section data.
- Inner Liquid Ar target provides constraints of nuclear effects in Ar and cross-check for ND-LAr.

