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# Report from the Intensity Frontier

Take-aways from LArTPC R&D workshop  
Thoughts on Instrumentation in near and far future  
for neutrino physics  
*Apologies for what is not presented here....*

CPAD/Instrumentation Frontier

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Neutrino physics -> Precision detectors on large scales

- advances in light collection in Water detectors
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*Highlights from LArTPC R&D  
Workshop*

Things I won't cover but were discussed in the fall:

- Heavy Quark Experiments
- Rare Processes Experiments

*Won't cover this.....*

# The Detectors We Want to Use or Have Already Used



The following experiments have used/proposed/been approved/are constructing a detector with LAr as a neutrino detector. I am sorting them by their mass.

**Yale TPC**



Location: Yale University  
Active volume: 0.002 ton  
operational: 2007

**Bo**



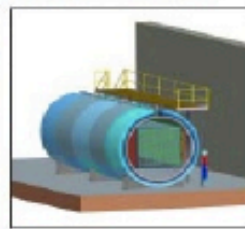
Location: Fermilab  
Active volume: 0.02 ton  
operational: 2008

**ArgoNeuT**



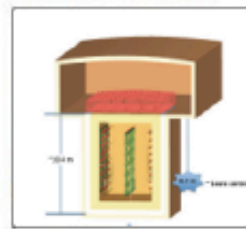
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Active volume: 0.3 ton  
operational: 2008  
First neutrinos: June 2009

**MicroBooNE**



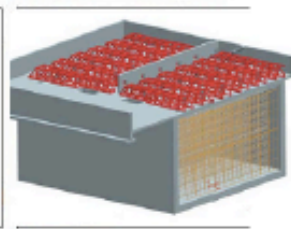
Location: Fermilab  
Active volume: 0.1 kton  
Construction start: 2011

**LAr1**



Location: Fermilab  
Active volume: 1 kton  
Construction start: 2016?

**LBNE**



Location: Homestake  
Active volume: 10 kt on  
Construction start: 2020

**Luke**



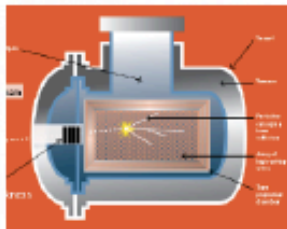
Location: Fermilab  
Purpose: materials test st  
Operational: since 2008

**LAPD**



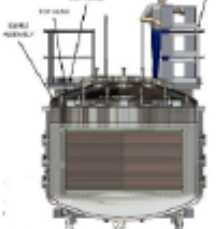
Location: Fermilab  
Purpose: LAr purity demo  
Operational: 2011

**LArIAT**



Location: Fermilab  
Purpose: LArTPC calibration  
Operational: 2013 (phase 1)

**Captain**



Location: LANL  
Purpose: LArTPC calibration  
Operational: 2013

R&D for LBNE design is mostly development with focus on cost savings – should make sure to keep options open.....!

# Engineering Development

(not always straightforward.....)

- Informed by experiments running or in construction
- Mechanical, Cryogenics, electronics, Costing
  - Electronics-> Cold electronics with LBNE multiplexed in situ
  - High Voltage
  - TPC design for cost and installation
  - Costing models

# Customizing the TPC detectors



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  - ▶ 4 mm - ArgoNeuT
  - ▶ 5 mm - LBNE
- ▶ Warm vs Cold Electronics
- ▶ Electronics sampling time:
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- ▶ Wrapped wire planes: LBNE, LAr1
- ▶ Double Phase Readout - LBNO (*see talk by A. Marchionni*)
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## Light Readout in LArTPCs

Conventional readout in LArTPCs: PMTs operable at cryogenic temperatures

- requires wavelength shifting
- requires space!

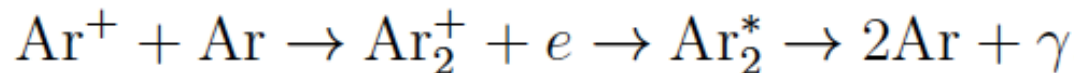
Low Profile Readout

- SiPMs
- Wave guides + SiPMs
- New ideas?



# Photon Detection Overview

2 processes production scintillation light in LAr



decay from singlet  $\text{Ar}_2^*$  state: **prompt light** at 6 ns ( $\sim 25\%$ )

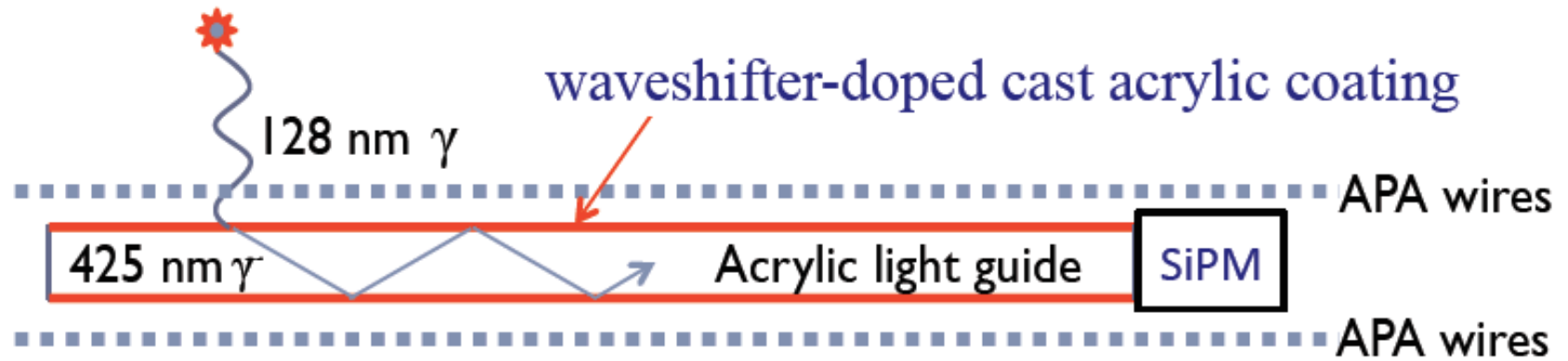
decay from triplet  $\text{Ar}_2^*$  state: **late light** at 1.6  $\mu\text{s}$  ( $\sim 75\%$ )

photons emitted in VUV at 128 nm, where

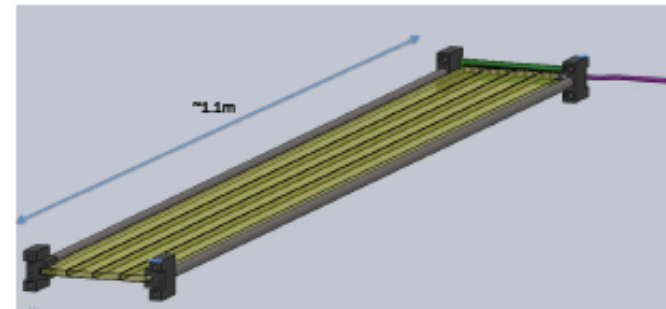
- photodectors are insensitive or expensive
- most materials are opaque
- solution: waveshifter (TPB/bis-MSB) to absorb UV photons and re-emit in the optical

## Basic Element: Light Guide

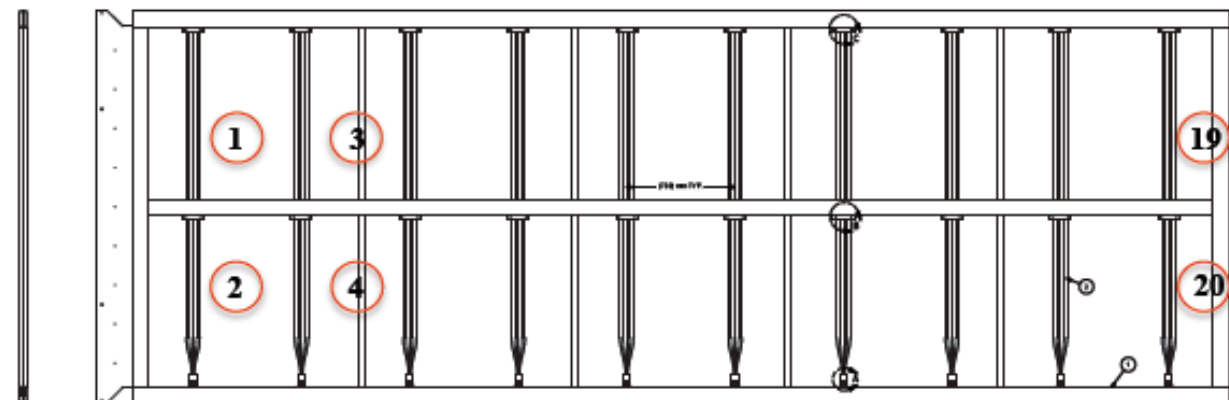
## Design



4 light guides ganged into stainless steel Photon Detector Paddle (PDA)



20 PDAs  
per APA plane



# WLS Fiber-Based Prototype

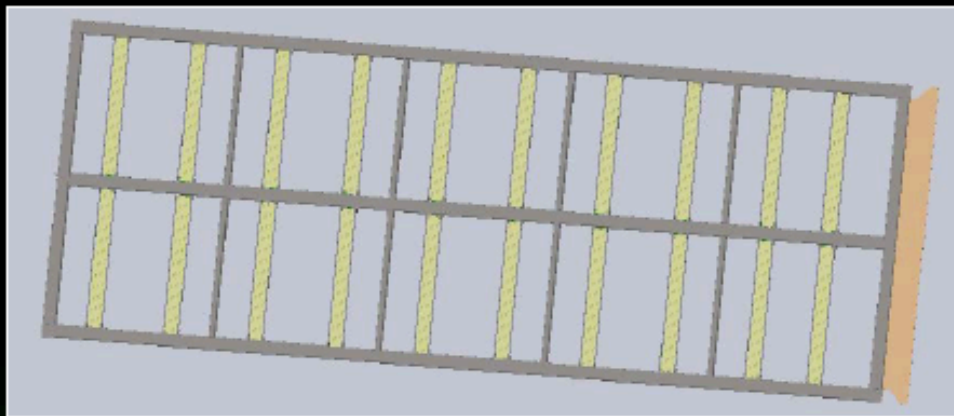
- Why investigate fibers?
  - Potentially lead to cost savings – gang several channels to single photo-sensor
  - Could be used in a hybrid system with bars or some other “bulk” design
  - ~~Crazy~~ More exotic ideas like instrumenting the CPA with fibers and have sensors located some distance away
- How do you do this? One of three ways...
  - Coat the fibers with WLS (TPB or Bis-MSB)
  - Dope cladding with WLS (or an inner cladding perhaps)
  - Dope fiber core and use very thin cladding

We are starting with the last option – have a sample of Bis-MSB doped fiber from Saint-Gobain (BCF-12 1 mm dia.)

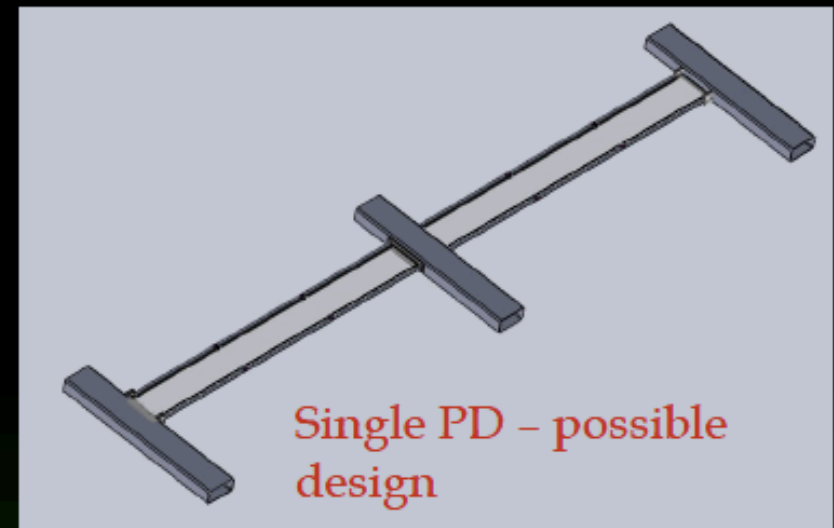
Sent sample to LBNL for Vic to look at with his VUV system (next talk).

# WLS Fiber-Based Prototype

- Design considerations
  - To keep PD design and engineering effort in check it is critical that the fiber-based design fit into the same package as the IU paddles



Fibers assemblies could be used in place of the paddles in this design – or perhaps to fill the empty regions



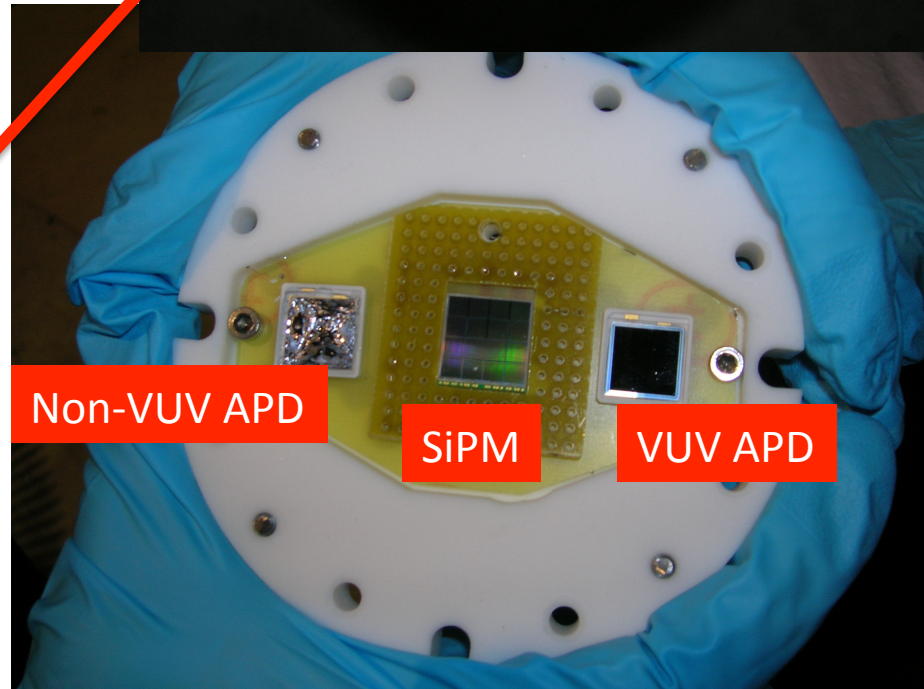
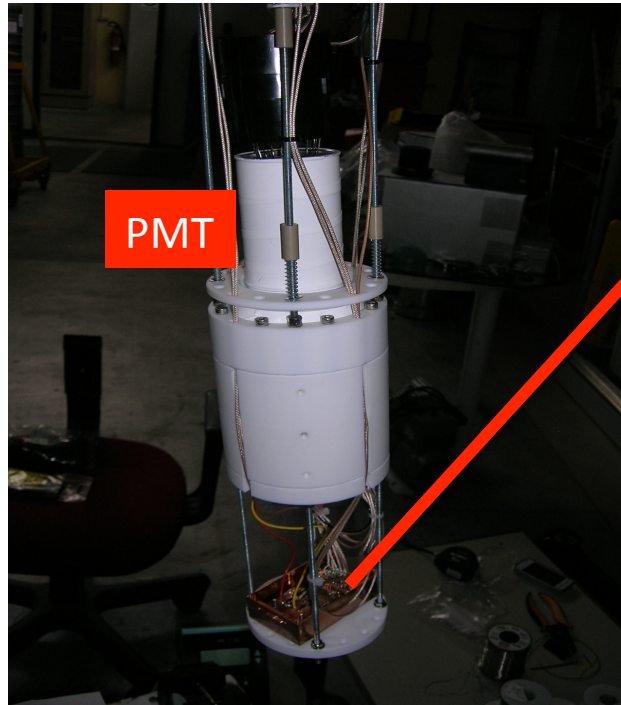
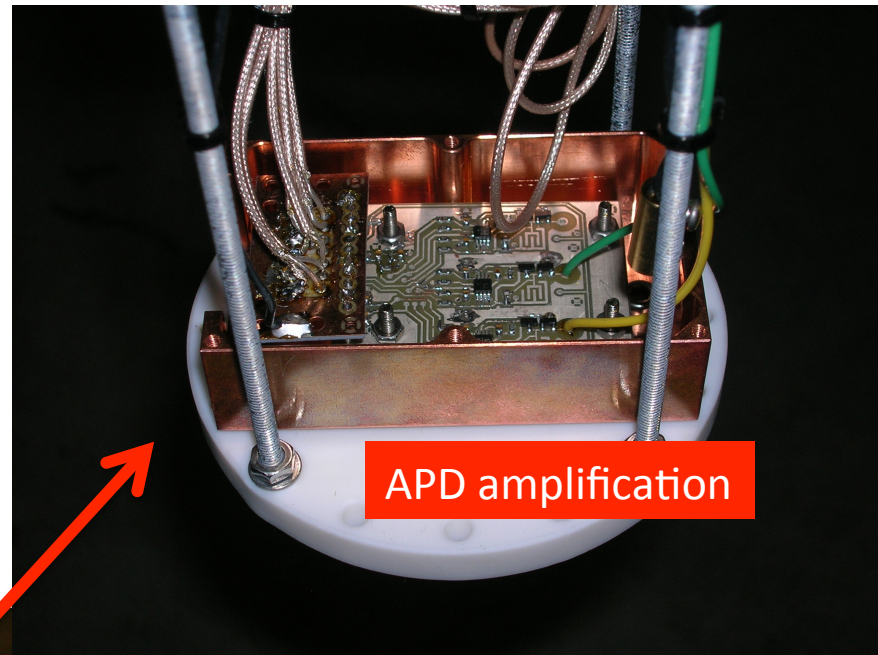
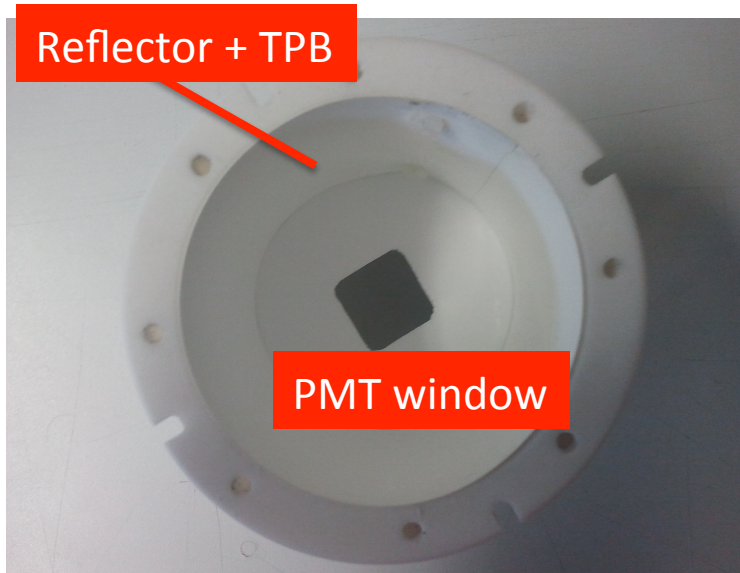
*Courtesy Dave Warner*

# Liquid Argon scintillation read-out with silicon devices

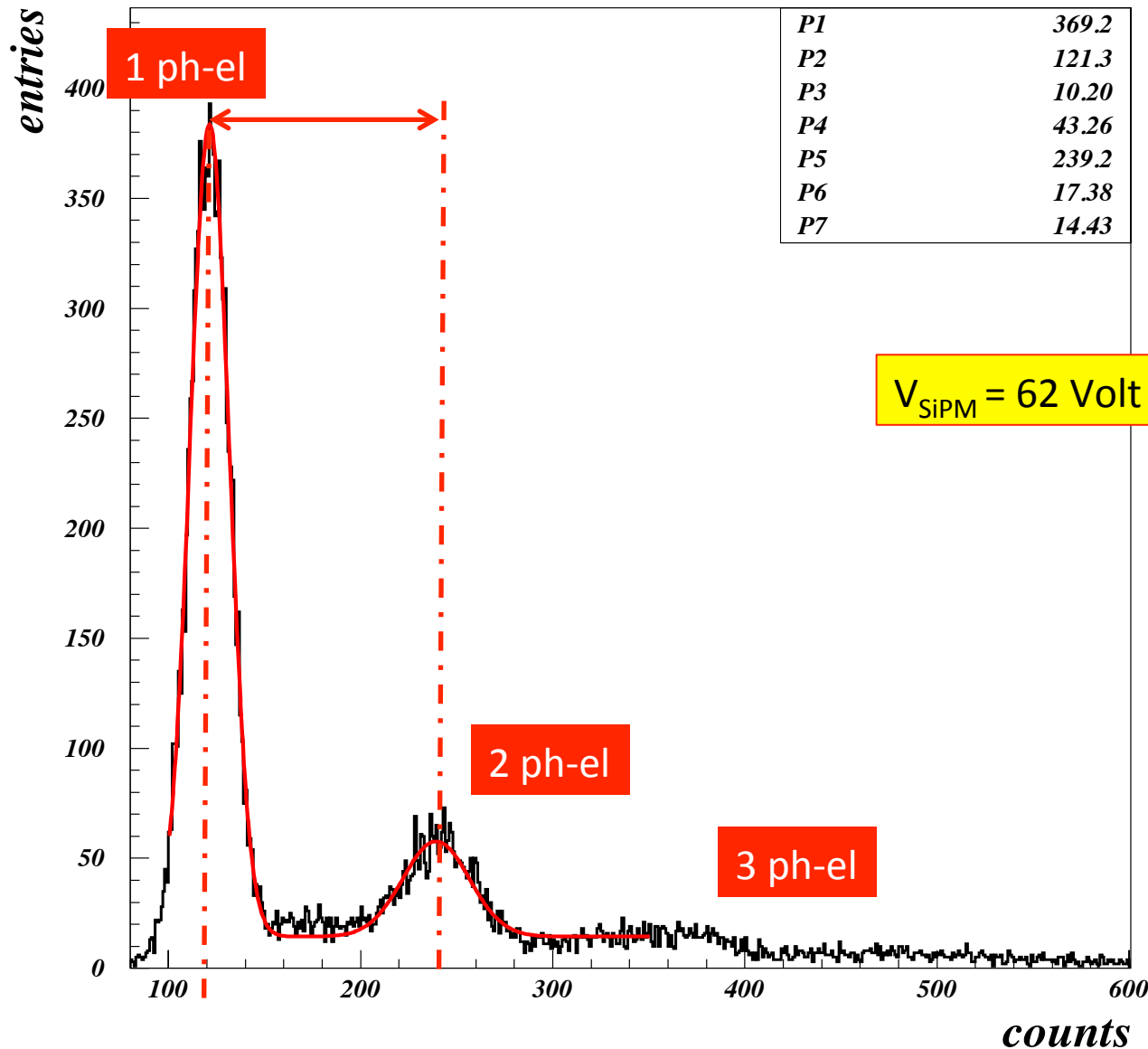
N. Canci, C. Cattadori, A. A. Machado,  
S. Riboldi, E. Segreto, C. Vignoli



# Experimental set-up (II)



# Light yield with SiPM -> SER



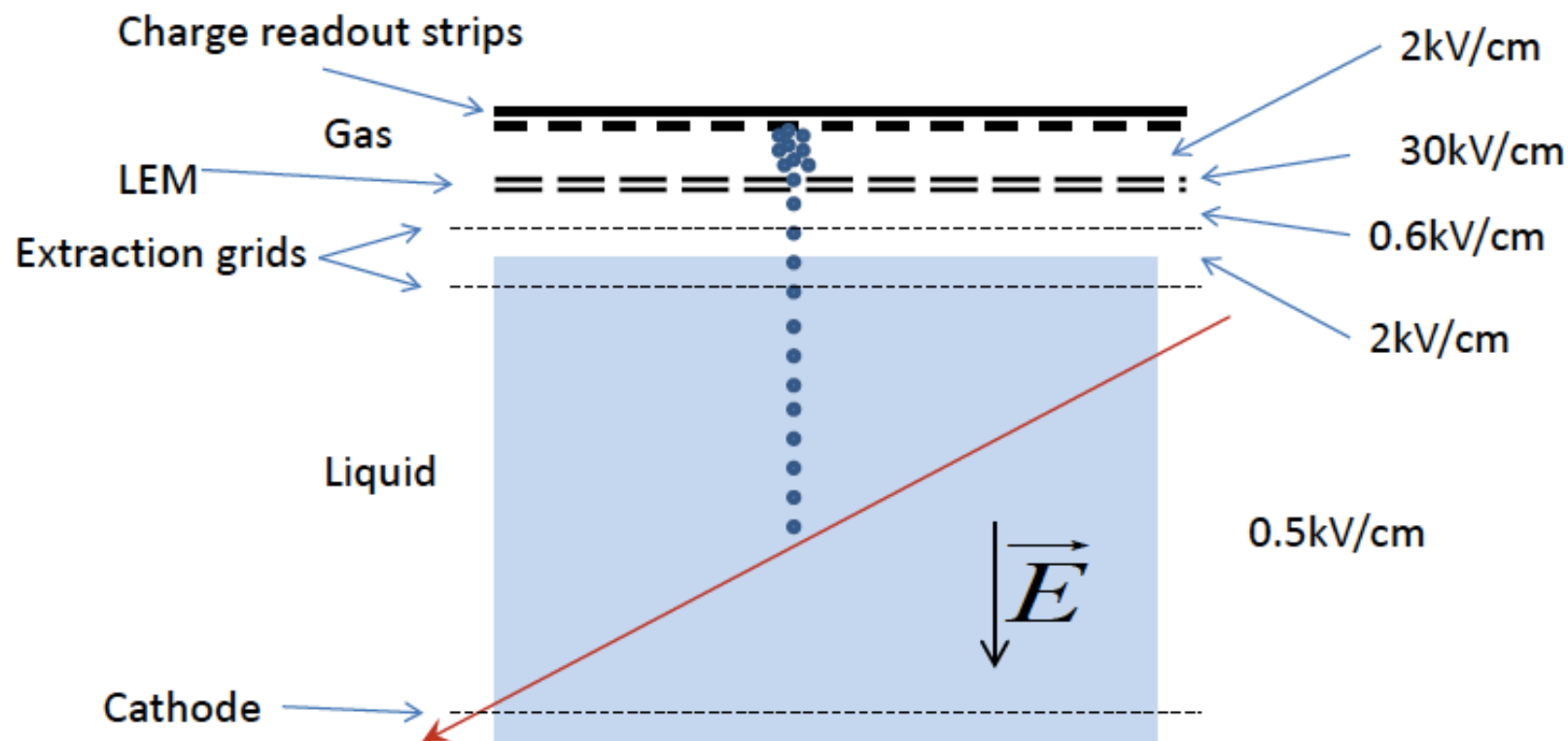
- SiPM signal readout with a *Camberra 2005 charge preamplifier + ORTEC 672 spectroscopy amplifier*;
- Signal acquired with a *multichannel*;
- ***The spectrum of first photo-electrons is very well resolved***;
- The absolute *calibration factor* between counts and photo-electrons is obtained as the ***difference between first phel and second phel position***.

# Future plans and Conclusions

- *SiPM* demonstrated to be *an excellent device to be used in LAr* with a Quantum Efficiency higher than that of the most performing cryogenic PMT on the market (Hamamatsu R11065);
- Some easy optimization of the *quenching resistor* could be needed;
- In the near future: characterization of the device with *a laser source* at room and cryogenic temperature (Milano Bicocca);
- Test of *SiPM with comparable area from a different manufacturer (FBK)* – possibly produced without optical window (VUV sensitive);
- Test of SiPM from FBK and Hamamatsu mounted on low radioactivity substrates;
- Development of fast current amplifier for the read out of the signals;



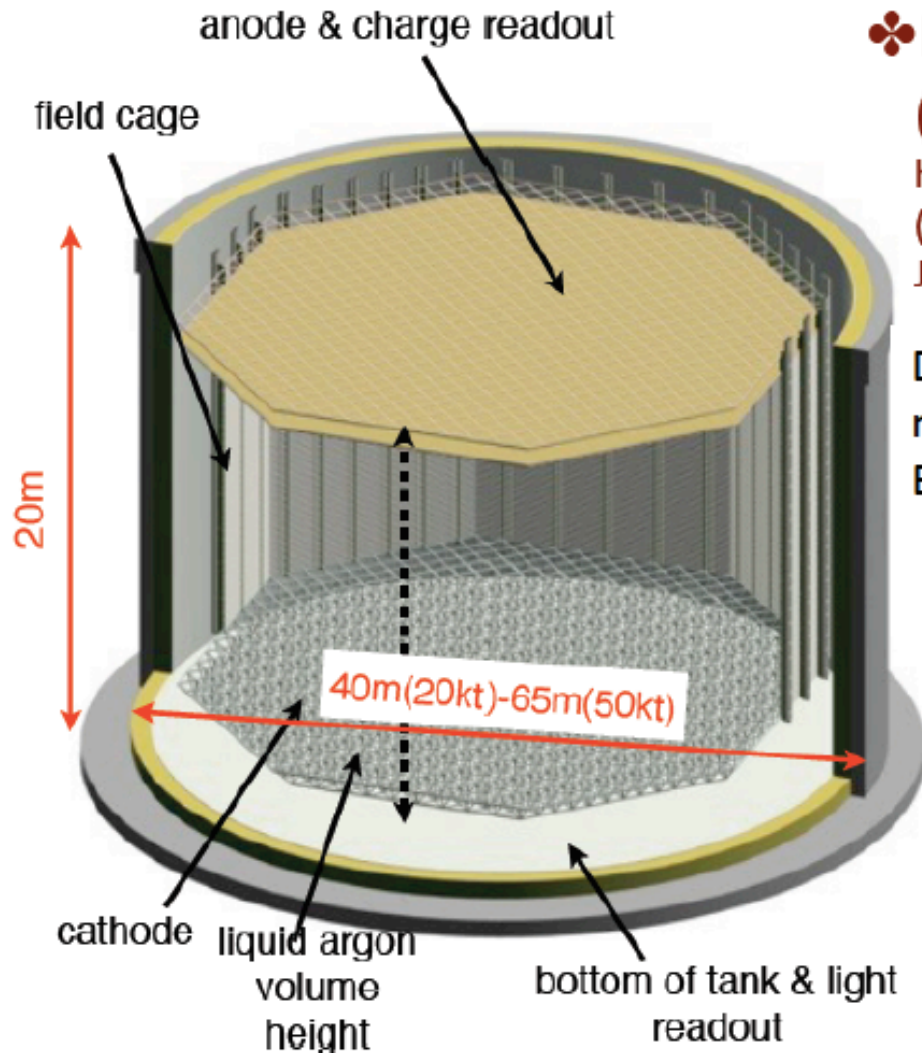
# Double-phase LAr TPC operation



- Distances between layers at the top  $\sim 2\text{cm}$
- LEM thickness  $\sim 1\text{mm}$
- Charge Amplification through LEM  $\sim 30$

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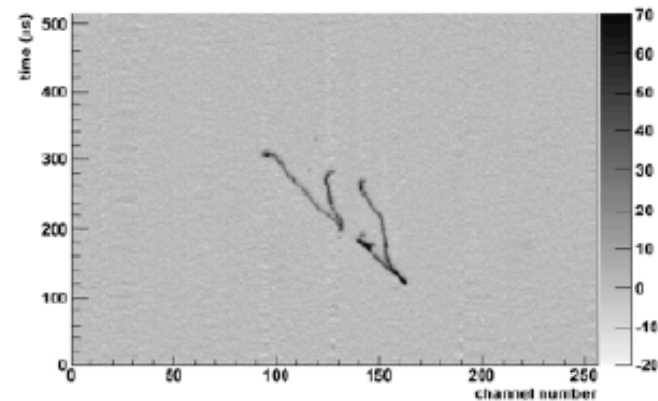
# 20-50kt GLACIER detector



## ❖ Double phase LAr LEM TPC (GLACIER, Venice 2003 !)

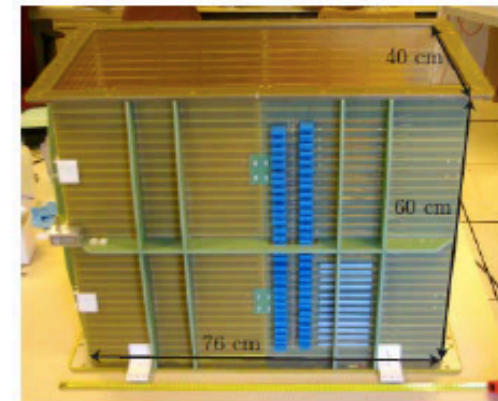
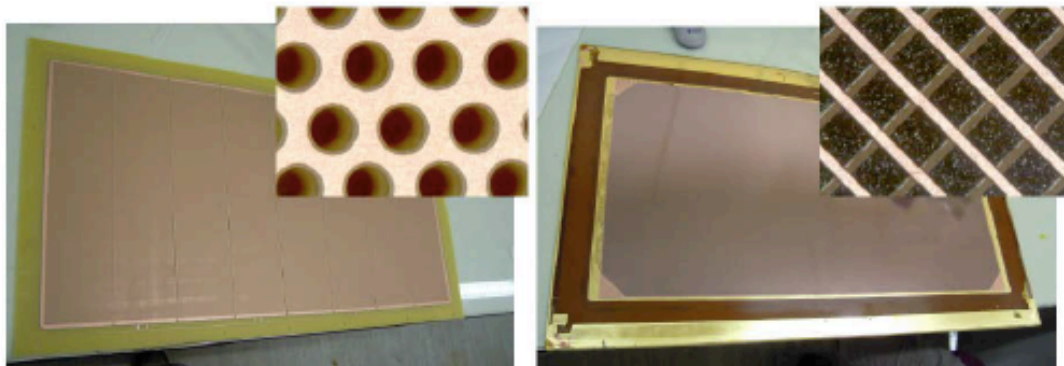
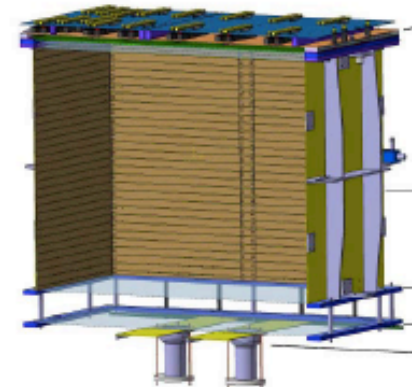
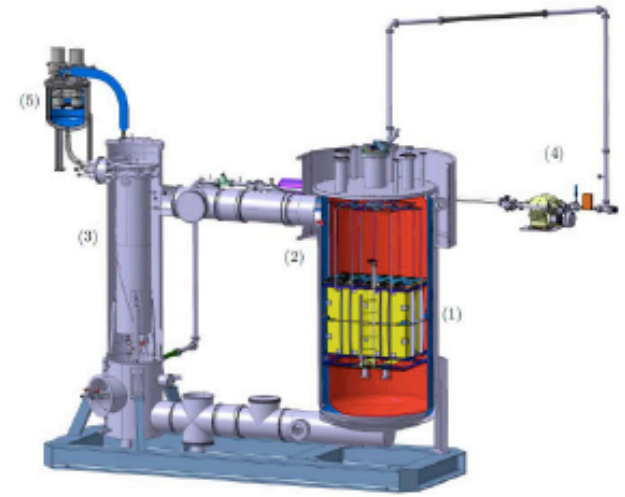
hep-ph/0402110; J.Phys.Conf.Ser. 171 (2009) 012020; NIM A 641 (2011) 48-57; JINST 7 (2012) P08026; arXiv:1301.4817

Diffusion coefficients not well known. At 20m drift Expect transv.  $\sim 5\text{mm}$ , long.  $\sim 3\text{mm}$



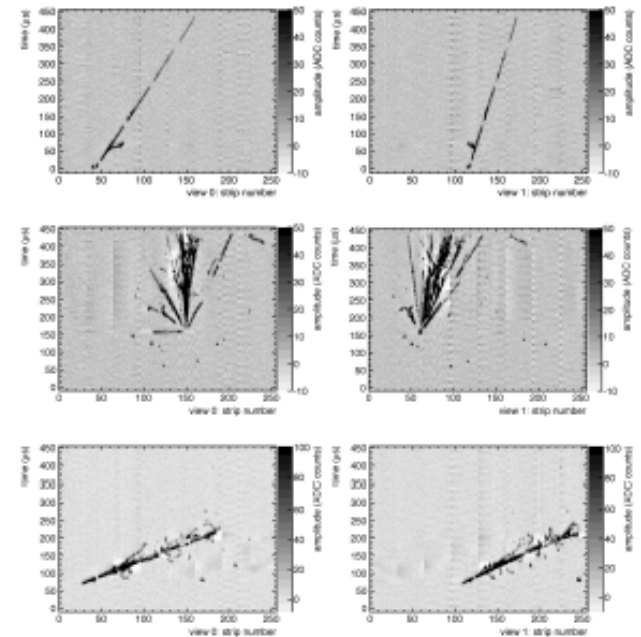
# 200lt prototype (ETH)

- 1ton ArDM vessel
- 76x40cm<sup>2</sup> readout surface
- 60cm max drift
- 2 TPB-coated PMTs
- LEM (left) with 0.5M holes
- 2D anode (right)
- CAEN (hot) electronics



# 200lt prototype (cont.)

- Stable operation for 1 month
- Muon, had. shower, EM shower:
- Coherent noise filtering, QSCAN reconstruction
- Effective gain: 14,  $s/n > 30$  (MIP)
- A. Badertscher et al., JINST 7 (2012) P08026



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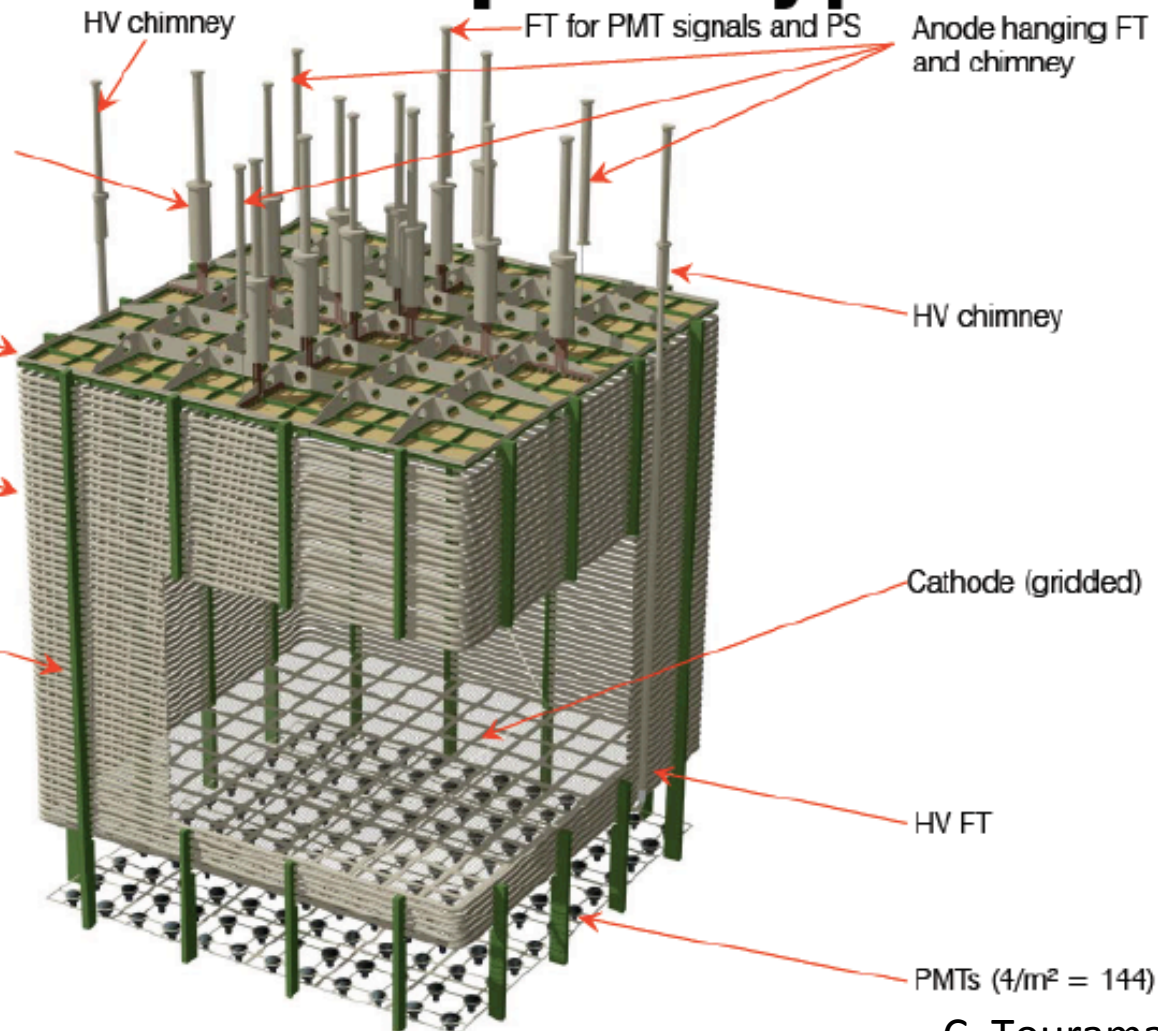
# LAGUNA LAr prototype

Signal feed through chimneys (12)  
Each with: 10 x 32 pin connectors  
For a total of 7680 electronic channels

Anode deck made by 144  
 $0.5 \times 0.5 \text{ m}^2$  panels or 72  
 $0.5 \times 1.0 \text{ m}^2$  panels

Field shaping electrodes (60)  
D: 69 mm  
P: 100 mm

Field shaping electrodes  
spacers/supports (16)



**ETH**

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Swiss Federal Institute of Technology

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# Light Readout in Water Detectors

Conventional readout in Water

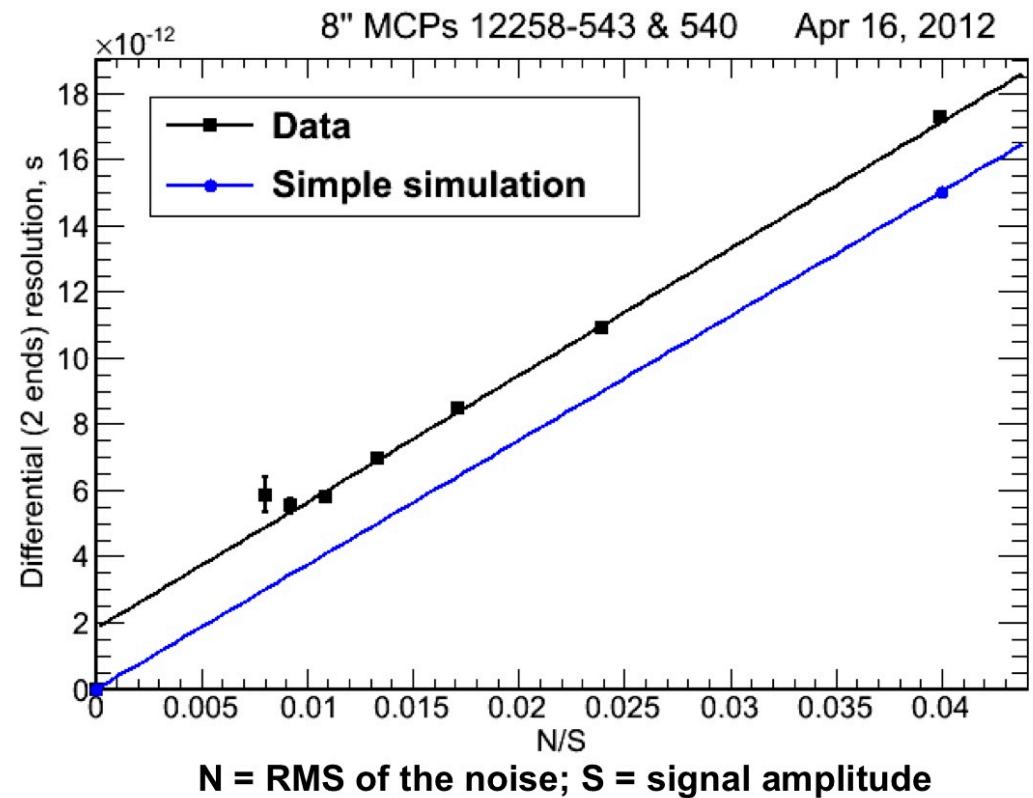
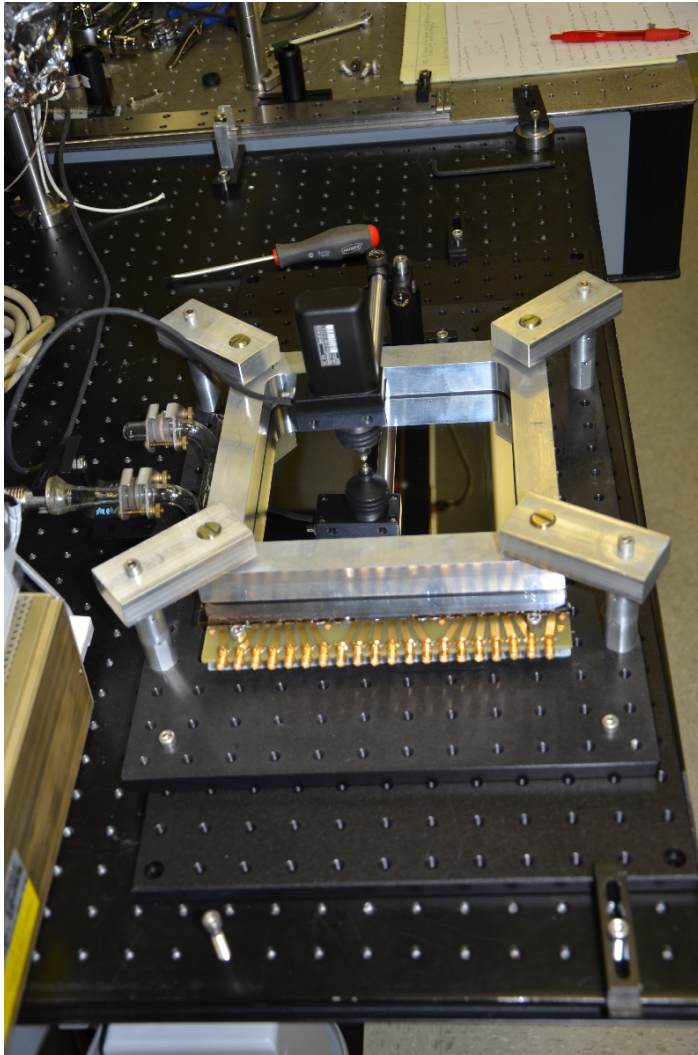
- Requires space and large Photo Cathode coverage  
(translates to cost)

Doping

- Scintillator and
- Gadolinium

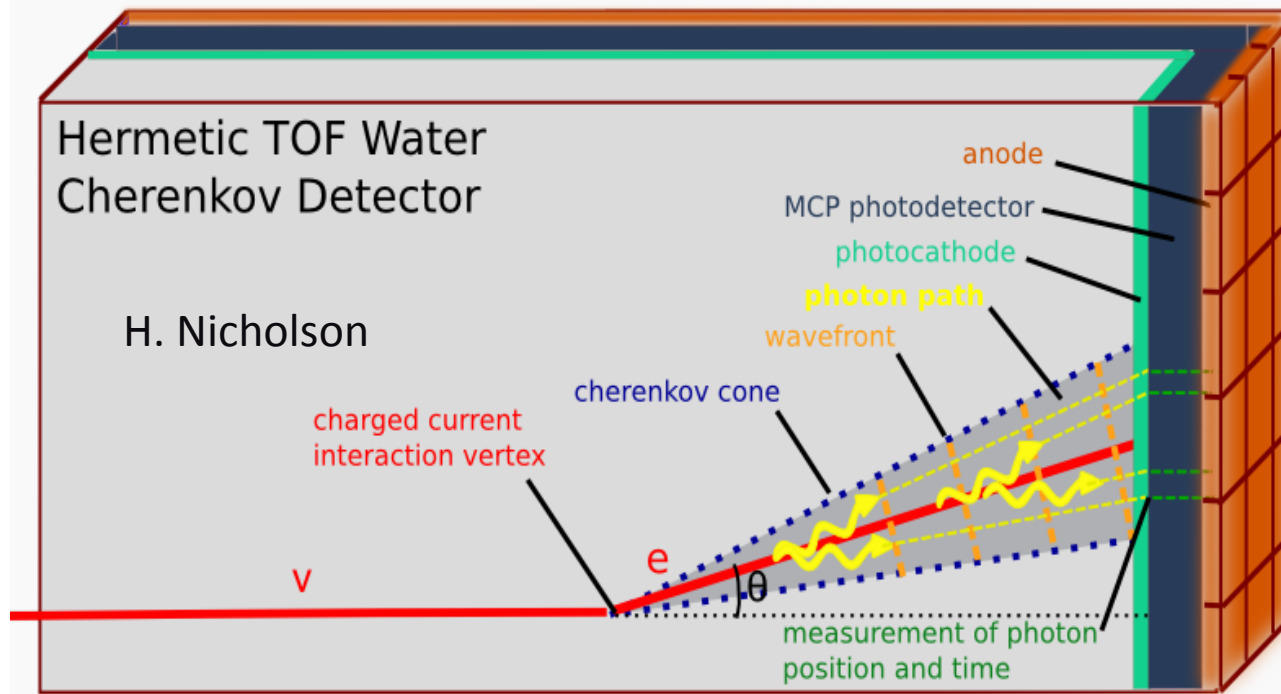
# The Development of Large-Area Pico-second Photodetectors

Henry Frisch, Enrico Fermi Institute, Univ. of Chicago  
For the LAPPD Collaboration



# Neutrino Physics

**Need:** lower the cost and extend the reach of large neutrino detectors



**Approach:** measure the arrival times and positions of photons and reconstruct tracks in water

**Benefit:** Factor of 5 less volume needed, cost.

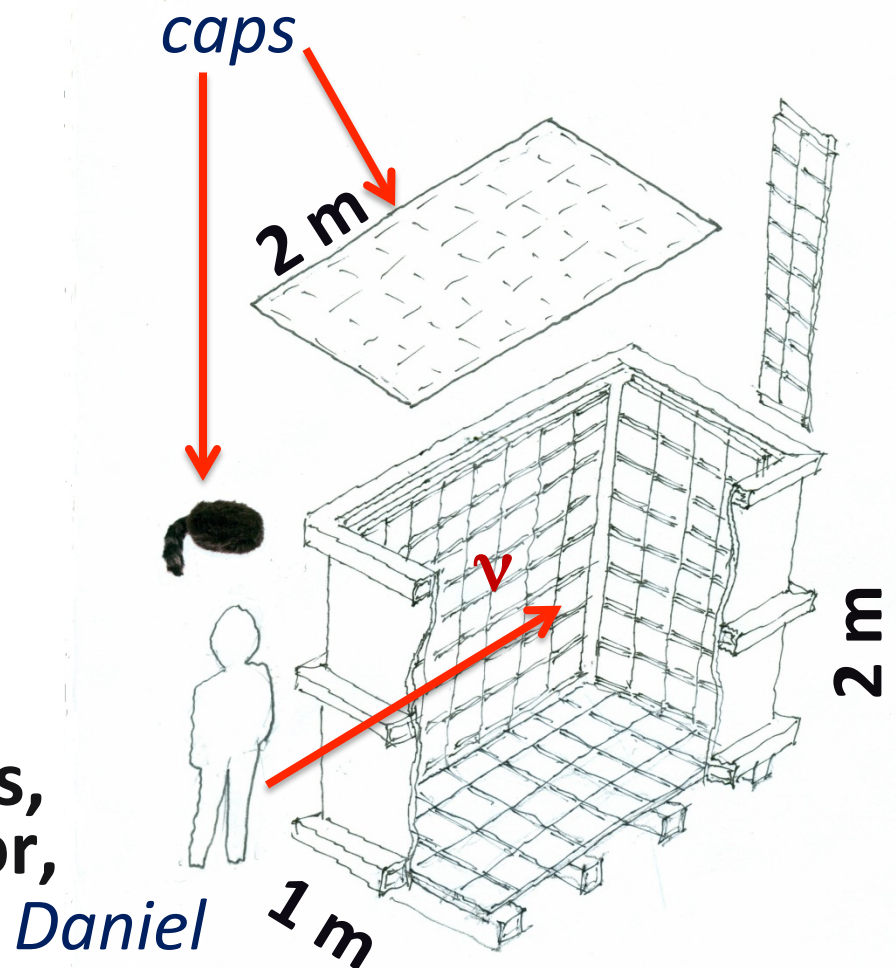
**Competition-** large PMT's, Liquid Argon



# Daniel Boone\*

- Proposal (LDRD) to build a little proto-type to test photon-TPC ideas and as a simulation testbed
- `Book-on-end' geometry- long, higher than wide
- Close to 100% coverage so bigger Fid/Tot volume
- $\Delta x, \Delta y \ll 1 \text{ cm}$
- $\Delta t < 100 \text{ psec}$
- **Magnetic field in volume**
- Idea: to reconstruct vertices, tracks, events as in a TPC (or, as in LiA).

\* Think MiniBoone, etc

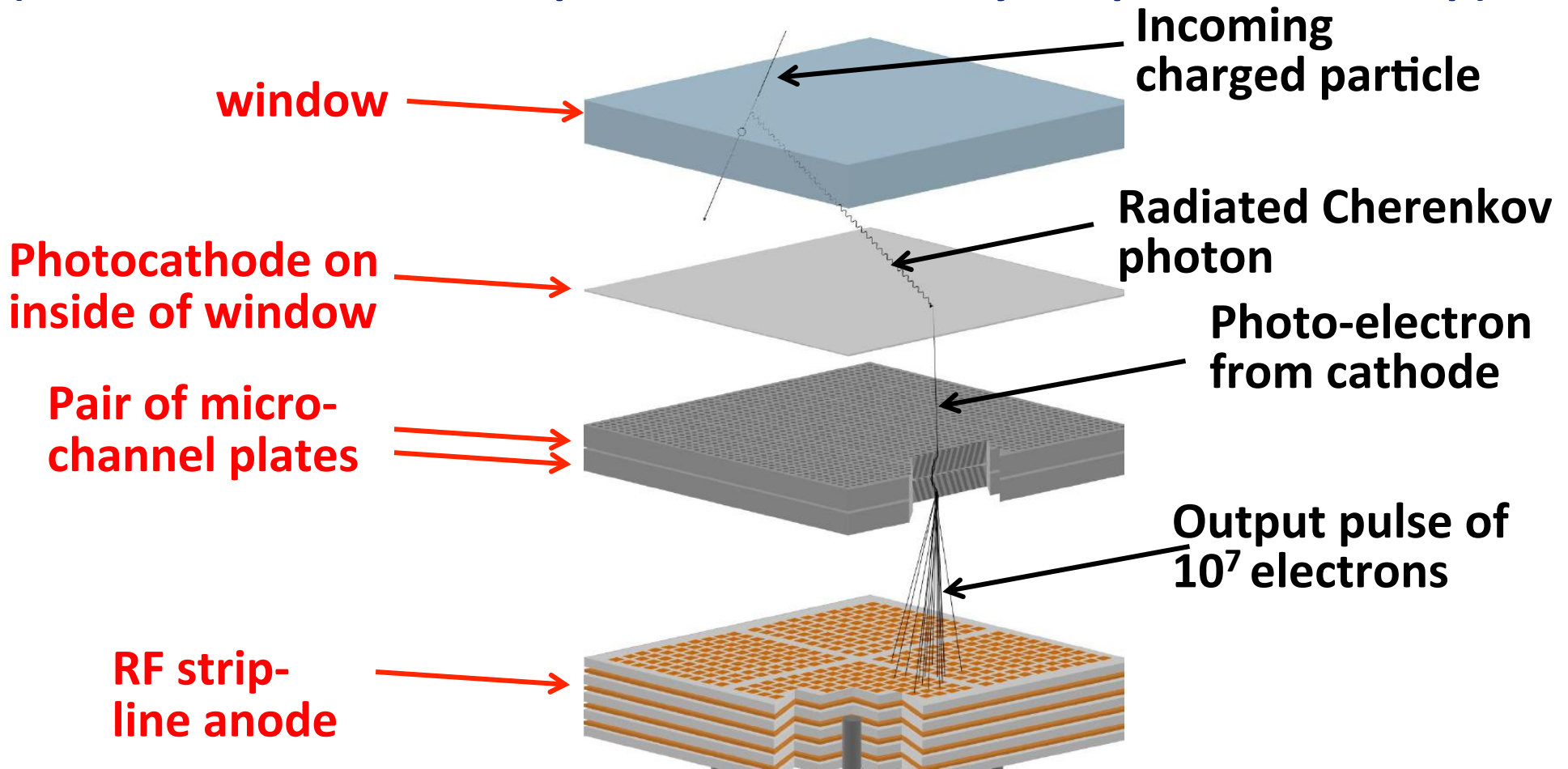


Also ANNIE- Bob Svoboda

# How Does it Work?

Requires large-area, gain  $> 10^7$ , low noise, low-power, long life,  $\sigma(t) < 10$  psec,  $\sigma(x) < 1$ mm, and low large-area system cost

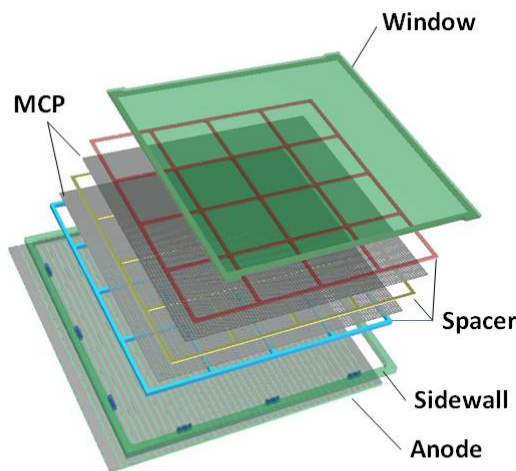
Realized that an MCP-PMT has all these but large-area, low-cost: (since intrinsic time and space scales are set by the pore sizes- 2-20 $\mu$ )



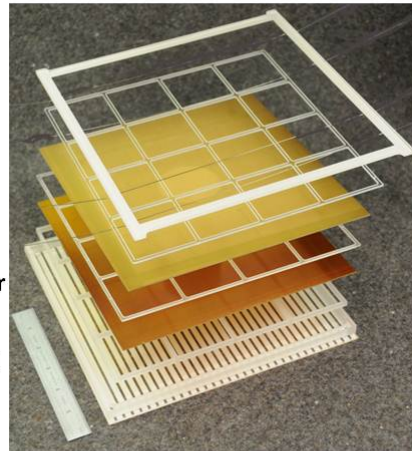
# The Half-Meter-Squared SuperModule

**A** SuperModule holds 12 tiles in 3 tile-rows. 15 waveform sampling ASICS on each end of the tray digitize 90 strips. 2 layers of local processing (Altera) measure extract charge, time, position, goodness-of-fit

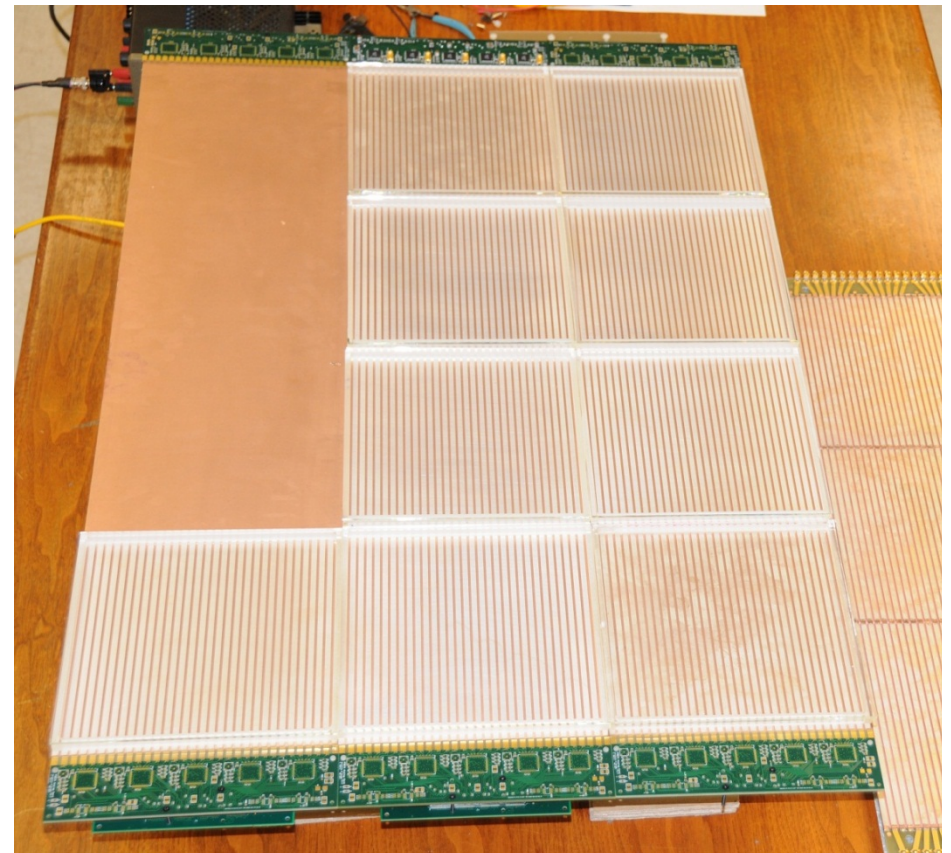
A 'tile' is a sealed vacuum-tube with cathode, 2 MCP's, RF-strip anode, and internal voltage divider  
**HV string is made with ALD**



Design Drawing - September 2010



Actual Glass Parts - April 2012



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# General take-aways

- Significant advances in precision neutrino detection recently
- Room for optimization (Development)
- New ideas and development in light collection (and other areas) are key for better detectors (LArTPCs and WC)
- Beware to state that we don't need R&D, for example, for LBNE, we can say we are ready but can do better.....
- *Apologies for what is not covered here!*

Experiment    Measurement    Reach    Technology    Characteristic    Requirement    Limitation

			Silicon Tracking			
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			Silicon Tracking			
			Photo Sensors			
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Experiments grouped by technology and listed according to timescale

Near Term

Mid Term

Far Term

From Marcel's talk

Backups



# R&D for muon experiments

- Grateful recipient of last decade's R&D efforts in pixels, SiPMs, in-vacuo technologies
- Challenges now are associated with making them work in real experiments
- Example:
  - 50  $\mu\text{m}$  HV-MAPS pixels developed with ILC R&D now being implemented in  $\mu\text{3e}$  experiment at PSI
  - $\sim 0.1\%$   $X_0$  per layer
- Future R&D mainly focused on muon production
  - Higher surface muon yields from spallation targets, narrower pulse width and tunable time structure, cold muon beams



50  $\mu\text{m}$  Si pixel+  
25  $\mu\text{m}$  Kapton flex cable with Al traces+  
25  $\mu\text{m}$  Kapton support