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#### Near detector physics goals

- Measurement of absolute ν flux as a function of E<sub>ν</sub>, and relative abundance of four ν species (ν<sub>e</sub>, ν<sub>μ</sub>, ν<sub>μ</sub>, ν<sub>μ</sub>):
  - Reduce systematics on sterile neutrino searches at  $\nu$ STORM.
  - ... and exploit  $\nu$ STORM's unique 1% precision on  $\nu$  flux for...
- 'Event-generator measurements' for the LBLν experiments:
  - Background to oscillations at LBL
     v experiments.
- Precision measurements of v cross-sections:
  - Inclusive CC and Exclusive QE, Resonance;
  - Neutral current; NC-QE;
  - *v*-e scattering.
- Precision determination of the exclusive processes such as ν QE, resonance, K<sup>0</sup>/Λ/D production and of the nucleon structure functions;
- Dark matter searches: weakly interacting massive particles with electronic, muonic and hadronic decay modes with unprecedented sensitivity.

#### Near detector requirements

- Should be capable of handling high multiplicity events;
- Magnetic detector necessary especially for  $\overline{\nu}$  exposure;
- Energy resolution as good as far detector;
- Likely consist of several detectors (sub-detectors) to cover flux normalization and cross-section measurements;
- ... a near detector facility:
  - Covers physics goals;
- ....NearBIND, HiResM $\nu$  and  $\gamma \nu$ det options are presented here.

#### NearBIND

# A magnetized iron neutrino near detector

- NearBIND at a near detector facility (20-50 m) would be a scaled version of SuperBIND at (1500 m);
  - ► 200 T:
  - dia. 3 m, length 6 m;
  - 1.5 cm Fe plates.
- NearBIND can be placed downstream of a "cross-section" detector:
  - Contributes to reconstruction of events occurring in the "cross-section" detector:
  - Provides an independent sample of events for SuperBIND physics.

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#### The HiResMNu concept

- Derived from NOMAD;
- ND option for LBNE:
  - ► 3.5 × 3.5 × 7.5 m Straw Tube Tracker (STT);
  - 4 π ECAL in a Dipole B-field (0.4T);
  - 4 π μ detector (RPC) in Dipole and downstream
  - Pressurized Ar target (×5 FD stat).



### A $\overline{\nu}_e$ CC candidate in NOMAD

- $e^{-}/e^{+}$  ID using TRD, ECAL;
- μ from ν<sub>μ</sub> and e from ν<sub>e</sub> are Tracks: determined with very high precision;
- Universality equivalence:  $\mu$ - $\nu_{\mu} \leftrightarrow e$ - $\nu_{e}$ ;
- Uniquely resolve  $\mu^-$  ( $\nu_\mu$ ) from  $\mu^+$  ( $\overline{\nu}_\mu$ ),  $e^-$  ( $\nu_e$ ) from  $e^+$  ( $\overline{\nu}_\mu$ ).



#### Kinematics in HiResMNu

- Pt vector:
  - Powerful constraint on  $E\nu$  scale and  $\nu$  vs  $\overline{\nu}$  interactions;
  - NC vs CC ID;



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#### Resolutions in HiResMNu

- $\blacktriangleright~\rho=0.1~{\rm g/cm^3};$
- Space point res. = 200  $\mu$ m;
- ► Time res. = 1 ns;
- CC events vertex  $\Delta(X,Y,Z)$ = O(250  $\mu$ m);
- Energy in downstream ECAL
  = 6%/sqrtE
- ▶ µ angle res. (~2 GeV) = O(3 mrad)
- $E_{\mu}$  res. (~2 GeV) = ~3.5 %
- $E_e$  res. (~2 GeV) = ~4.5 %



#### Expected statistics at nuSTORM

- ▶ 1e21 POT;
- Fiducial mass: 7 tons.



#### Identification of $\nu_e$ CC interactions

 HiResMν can distinguish e<sup>-</sup> from e<sup>+</sup> in STT;

 $\implies$  recons. *e* as bending tracks not showers;

- e ID against charged hadrons from both TR and dE/dx;
   ⇒ TR π rejection of 10<sup>-3</sup> for ε ~ 90%:
- Multi-dim. likelihood functions to reject non-prompt backgrounds (π<sup>0</sup> in ν<sub>e</sub> CC and NC);

$$\implies$$
 On average  $\epsilon = 55\%$  and  $\eta = 99\%$  at LBNE;



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#### $\nu_{\mu}$ -QE Analysis

- Example of a  $\nu$  interaction in a high-res. ND as a calibration of FD;
- Key is 2-Track ( $\mu$ , p) signature: proton reconstr. is THE critical issue.



Figure 15: A  $\nu_{\mu}$ -QE candidate in NOMAD

#### Reconstruction of CCQE interactions (LBNE spectrum)

 Protons easily identified by the large dE/dx in STT and range:

 $\Longrightarrow$  Min. range to reconstruct p track parameters 12 cm  $\Rightarrow$  250 MeV

 Analyze BOTH 2-track and 1-track events to constrain FSI, Fermi motion and nuclear effects:

 $\Longrightarrow$  Min. range to reconstruct p track parameters 12 cm  $\Rightarrow$  250 MeV

Use multi-dim likelihood functions to reject DIS and Res backgrounds:

 $\Longrightarrow$  On av.  $\epsilon=$  52% and  $\eta=$  82% for CCQE at LBNE

For 
$$\nu$$
STORM  $\epsilon =$  40% with  $\eta =$  70%



# $\pi^0$ reconstruction

- Clean π<sup>0</sup> and γ signatures in STT;
- $\nu$ -NC and CC  $\rightarrow \pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ ;
  - ▶ 50% of the  $\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-$  will convert in the STT, away from the primary vertex
- γ ID;
  - ▶ e<sup>-</sup>/e<sup>+</sup> ID: TR;
  - kinematic cut: mass, opening angle.
- At least one converted γ in STT;
- Another γ in the downstream and side ECAL.



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#### GAs ModulAr NEUtrino DETector ( $\gamma \nu det$ )



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Near detector designs

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# TPC and plastic scintillators embedded in gas pressure vessel



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#### Vertex in argon gas...



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#### Software framework: T. Stainer & Y. Karadzhov

Code available at https://launchpad.net/lbno-nd



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#### Simulation parameters

- Flux file (Fluka) from P.
  Velten for 10<sup>6</sup> p.o.t;
- ND is 800 m from target;
- $10^5 \nu_{\mu}$  only simulated,  $E_{\nu} < 10$  GeV;
- Interactions only in TPC: 2.4 x 2.4 x 3.0 m, 605 kg;
- Uniform 0.5 T dipole field across TPC.



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# Particles leaving the 6 TPC faces



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# Basic momentum reconstruction in (only) the TPC

- Only tracks with hits (Edep) points) are recorded;
- Event criteria: non-zero p and TPC tracks with at least 3 hits.
- Calculate sagitta from truth momentum:
- $s = BL^2/(26.7*p);$
- ds = 300 microns:
- ► B = 0.5 T:
- Smear and recalculate value;
- ► Sum all momenta > reconstructed  $\nu$  momentum;
- 20 cm fiducial cut:



#### Event rates

- LBNO: events in TPC for 1.77e20 POT;
  - 1.09e6 interactions in TPC;
  - 6.7e5 good events;
  - 3.8e4 CCQE events;
- Corresponds to 3.55e7/100T/1e21POT.
- c.f. nuSTORM 2.15e6/100T/1e21POT at 50m;
- $\mu$  per spill in TPC at 800m ( $\mu/m^2/spill$ ):
  - 0.025 from  $\nu$  interactions inside TPC;
  - 6.11 from  $\nu$  interactions outside TPC;
  - 9 from target that reach TPC.

Test beam activities MICE EMR

# MICE EMR commissioned at UNIGE summer 2013, installed at RAL September 2013



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#### AIDA WP8.5.2: MIND and TASD test beam prototypes

- Magnetised Iron Neutrino Detector (MIND):
  - Muon charge identification, for wrong sign muon signature of a neutrino oscillation event: golden channel at a NF: requires correct sign background rejection of 1 in 10<sup>4</sup>: test beam 0.8 to 5 GeV/c;
  - Hadronic shower reconstruction for identification of charged current neutrino interactions and rejection of neutral current n.i.: test beam protons/pions 0.5 to 9 GeV/c.
- Totally Active Scintillating Detector (TASD):
  - Stopping properties of pions and muons up to 200 MeV/c (MICE EMR);
  - Electron and muon charge separation inside a magnetic field, in particular electron charge ID in electron neutrino interaction for the platinum channel at a neutrino factory: 0.5 to 5 GeV/c.
- Test beam: electrons, muons and hadrons (pions, protons), 0.5 to 5.0 GeV/c, at H8 beam line in North Area at CERN 2015.

#### TASD and MIND on the H8 beam line: CERN North Area



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#### AIDA MIND and TASD simulations

- ► TMVA of the baby-MIND:
  - SuperBIND  $\mu$  ID by range: not in baby-MIND
  - Need to rely on other PID metrics: MICE-EMR?
  - Clear differentiation between  $e, \pi, \mu$ ;
  - Training baby-MIND on  $\mu, \pi, p, e$ .
- TASD simulations;
  - 50 plastic scintillator detector modules;
  - Variable distance 0-2.5cm;
  - Targets can be inserted in gaps between modules.



EHN1: Extension to North Area building for neutrino detector prototypes

- WA105: Laguna LBNO proto: LAr and MIND;
- WA104: ICARUS proto: LAr;
- WA104: NESSIE proto: MIND-like and Air core magnet;



#### Plastic scintillator bars with SiPM readout

- Extruded scintillator slabs produced by Uniplast + connectors INR;
- Kuraray Y11 wavelength shifting fiber;
- Optical glue tests and selection;
- Photosensor comparison;
- Electronics: EASIROC tests.





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# Summary

- Near detector facility at  $\nu$ STORM:
  - Likely that more than one detector will be needed to fully address physics goals;
  - The ND facility is also a test bed for neutrino detector prototyping;
- Emphasis on precision neutrino interaction measurements (1% precision on ν flux)
- Several detector options:
  - NearBIND;
  - ► HiResMν;
  - γνdet;
  - Bubble chamber with CCD readout...
- Simulation, design and prototyping work:
  - Common software framework;
    - $\Longrightarrow$ Needed to optimize designs and compare;
  - Projects for test beam activities (AIDA, CERN-WA105).

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