



# The Single-Phase Prototype at CERN



# **This Talk**



#### **★** This Talk:

- Introduction: The LBNE TPC Concept
  - The LBNE FD concept
  - LBNE → LBNF/ELBNF: the single-phase LAr option
- From Concept to Reality
  - 35-ton prototype
- The Single-Phase Prototype at CERN
  - Key Aims
  - Current concept
  - Status
- What will we Learn?
- How to get involved?
- Final Words
- ★ Thanks to: Mark Convery, Jack Fowler, Thomas Kutter Greg Pawloski, Michelle Stancari, Jim Stewart







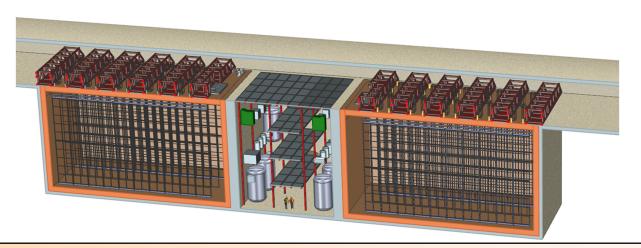


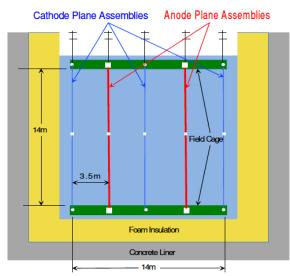
# **Towards ELBNF?**



#### **★** The LBNE TPC Design

- Single--hase "ICARUS-inspired" design
- The challenge: scale up by a factor ~50+
  - Industry "standard" membrane cryostat
  - Modular wire plane readout "Anode Plane Assemblies" APAs
    - Hang many identical readout planes in cold volume
  - Analogue and digital electronics inside cryostat
  - APAs: wrapped reading out two drift volumes
  - Wire mesh cathode planes: ~ -185kV
  - FR4 PCB/copper Field Cage



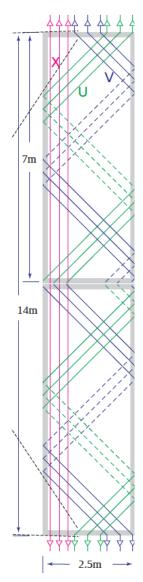


cross section view of the TPC components inside the cryostat



## LBNE APAs



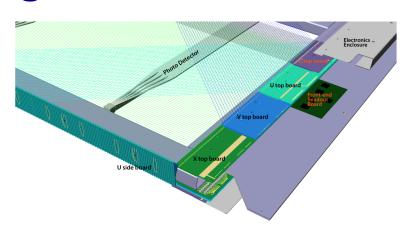


#### ★ LBNE CDR APA Design

- Stacked 2.5m x 7m modules
- Three readout wire planes
  - X (vertical) : collection
  - U (45°) Induction
- Wire pitch ~4.5 mm
- Readout at ends of APAs

#### **★** Questions

- Impact of wrapping
  - Ambiguities/disambiguation
- Gaps between APA modules
  - Impact on physics
- Optimal wire spacing/pitch/angle
  - Impact on physics







# From Concept Reality



# **Evolution**



- ★ Goal is to provide option for construction of a 10 kton far detector (~2021) + 30 kton (~2025)
- ★ Road to 10 kton by 2021 is challenging (& exciting)
  - Need a program of single-phase development that minimizes risk
  - Builds from strength, e.g. existing experience
    - ICARUS, Argoneut, ...
  - Now embarking on a z development paths towards a "ELBNF"-scale single-phase Far Detector
    ~700 t



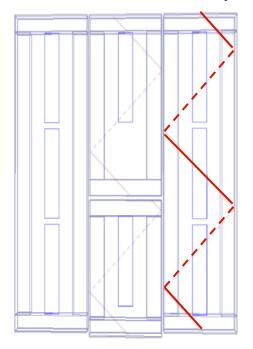


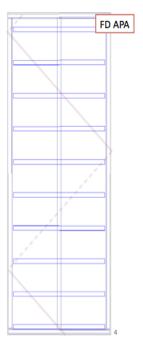
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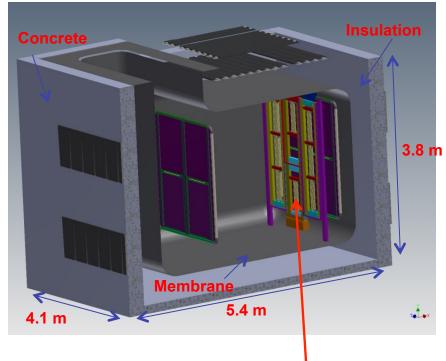


#### **★** 35 ton prototype

- Crucial test of LBNE TPC concept
- Installed at Fermilab
- 2m x 2m x 2m TPC
- Two drift volumes (long/short)
- 4 APA modules (8 sets of wires)











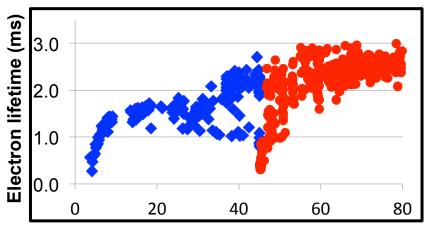


# 35 ton Prototype Goals



#### **★ Phase-I** (completed early 2014)

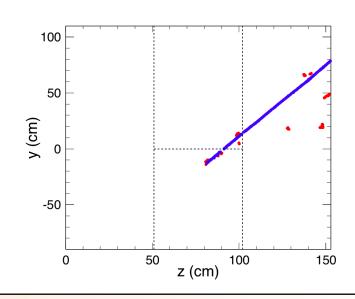
- Validation of cryostat design/performance
- Demonstrate argon purity required for physics
- No TPC



**Liquid Argon Volume Exchanges** 

#### ★ Phase-II (~second quarter 2015)

- Crucial test of LBNE TPC concept
- Exposed to cosmic-rays
- First test of reconstruction with wrapped APAs
- Evaluate physics performance using cosmic rays





### R&D Issues Addressed



#### **★** 35 ton Prototype addresses many R&D issues

- APA performance:
  - wrapping ambiguities,
  - gaps, tracks crossing APAs,
  - energy resolution
- Photon detector performance:
  - event time resolution
  - photons/MeV
- Electronics/DAQ performance:
  - Signal/Noise with cold pre-amp and ADC
  - triggerless DAQ operation
- Cryostat performance:
  - Argon purity
  - acoustic noise
- FR4 printed-circuit field cage performance.

#### All crucial to demonstrating LBNE TPC concept





# Single-Phase Prototype at CERN



#### Single Phase Option for ELBNF



- **★** The LBL road to a single-phase ELBNF FD
  - ICARUS
    - Established single-phase concept
    - Demonstrated long-term operation/stability
  - 35 ton prototype
    - Validate novel aspects of LBNE concept
    - Experience ⇒ motivate design
  - What Next?
- **★** Some key questions
  - TRL: are we ready to "launch" an ELBNF FD ?
    - Maybe, but risk...
  - Do we understand the performance sufficiently to control systematic uncertainties?
    - Almost certainly not

System Test, Launch & Operations TRL 8 System/Subsystem Development TRL 7 Technology Demonstration Technology Development TRL Research to Prove Feasibility TRL 3 **Basic Technology** TRL 2 Research TRL 1

**→ Single-phase prototype at CERN will address these key issues** 



#### Single-Phase Prototype at CERN



#### **★** Eol

- "Expression of Interest for a Full-Scale Detector Engineering Test and Test Beam Calibration of a Single-Phase LAr TPC" submitted to SPSC in October
  - 186 authors, 43 institutes, 6 countries from LBNE, LBNO and ICARUS collaborations
- SPCS invites technical proposal ~spring/summer 2015

#### ★ Status

- Detailed plans/design still evolving
- Submit proposal on June 1<sup>st</sup> for June SPSC
- Beam: late 2017/early 2018 challenging but plausible timeline

#### !!! Opportunity for new collaborators !!!



# Goals



#### **★** Main goals of single-phase Prototype:

- Full-scale prototype of LBNE-concept for single-phase TPC
  - Address engineering design issues RISK REDUCTION
  - Effectively a pre-production test of the APA design
  - Full validation of concept prior to possible deployment as the initial ELBNF 10 kton FD
- "Calibrate" physics performance:
  - Calibrate performance with know charged particle beam
  - Systematic study of detector response
  - Validate/improve MC simulation, e.g. low-E hadronic showers in Argon

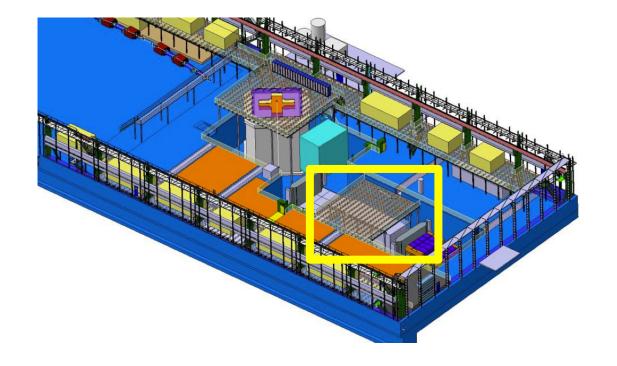


#### Single Phase at the CERN Platform



#### **★** Single-Phase test

- Preferred option is a second cryostat
  - Obvious advantages over sharing single cryostat with double phase prototype (WA105)
  - Exact configuration depends on size/orientation

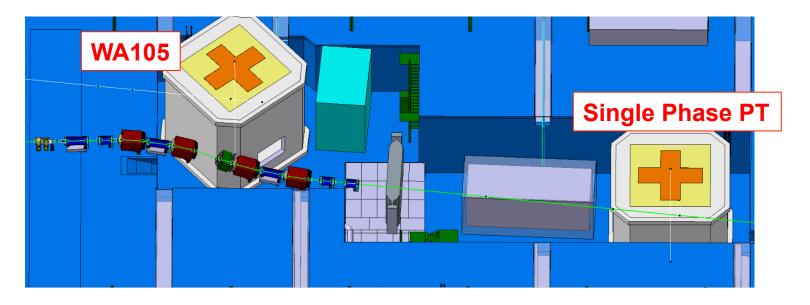




# **Basic Design: Beam**



- **★ Beam** (H4Ext beam line)
  - Calibrate on tagged particles: e, π, μ, p, ...
  - Ideally, extending down to low energies p~200 MeV/c
    - relevant to second oscillation maximum
  - Possible to have steerable beam ~10-15°
    - Test of potential angular dependence of recombination effects

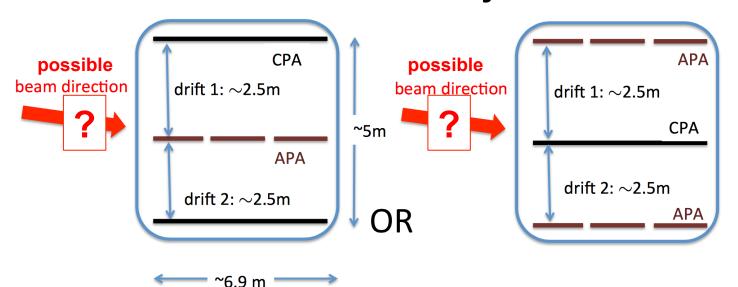


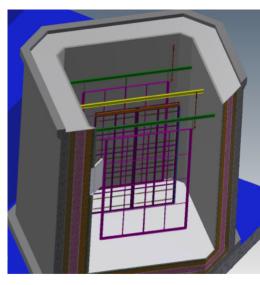


# **TPC Configuration**



- **★** Evolution from 35 ton prototype
  - Full-scale prototype of LBNE concept
- **★ Currently Two main options** 
  - Central APAs vs APAs at sides: 3 vs. 6
  - Dimensions motivated by containment studies





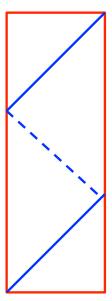
- **★** In each case there are multiple APAs
  - Chance to qualify fabrication at several production sites

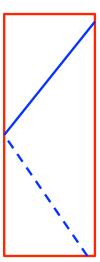


### **Details: APAs**



- **★** Intended as a full-scale prototype
- **★** APA design recently revisited:
  - Rigidity of 7.0 m x 2.5 m frame
  - Concerns about disambiguation
  - Practical considerations, e.g. transport
- **★** New design
  - "single wrap": removes ambiguities
  - Smaller frame, 6.0 m x 2.3 m
    - Standard transport, more rigid
    - Wire angle 35.7° (aspect ratio helps)
- **★**Other considerations
  - Increased cost of electronics
  - More modules, more gaps, impact?



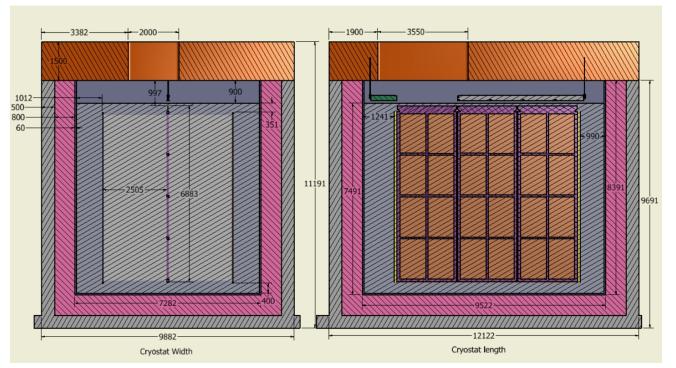




# Cryostat



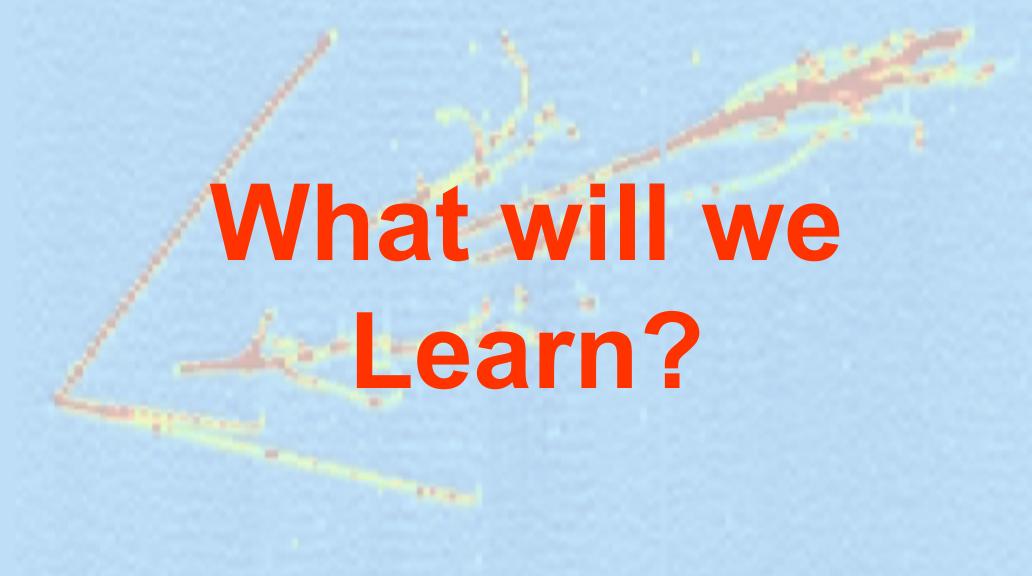
- ★ First engineering designs of cryostat being developed
  - Driven by size/configuration of APAs
  - Quite a big beast: 7.3 m x 9.5 m x 8.4 m (inner dimensions)



- **★** Exposed to a charged particle test beam
  - Need to get beam into LAr volume without interaction
  - Beam window design requires serious engineering effort









# Goals



#### ★ Technical

- Full-scale test of LBNE single phase LAr-TPC design
  - Engineering: rigidity of APAs, cooldown issues, ...
- Understand performance
  - Characterize noise, uniformity of response, ...
- Potential to qualify multiple construction hubs

#### ★ Physics

- Understand response to multiple particle types
  - Test-beam based calibration limit FD systematic uncertainties
- Test MC simulation on particle interactions in Ar
  - e.g. characterize hadronic showers + feedback to GEANT4
- Test reconstruction & PID performance
  - Including impact of gaps
- Evaluate LAr-TPC response
  - e.g. recombination vs. angle to E-field
- ...



# **Impact**



#### **★** Technical

Initial operation could establish a final single-phase FD design



Ready to move to FD construction

risk mitigation (for single-phase TPC design)

#### ★ Physics

- Establish physics performance
  - Potential to compare single-phase to double-phase
- Many interesting analysis topics









# **Opportunity Knocks**



- ★ New groups/collaborators very welcome (contact Thomas and Greg)
  - Opportunities for intellectual contributions
    - CERN prototype design/physics program are not fixed
    - Effort for proposal is needed now!
  - Opportunities for hardware contributions
    - In new "ELBNF" world, funding model
    - Opportunities for contributions to TPC, DAQ, ...
    - Will need people: construction schedule ~2017/2018
  - CERN is helping at many levels
  - Great time to get involved
     ....things have to move quickly
- + 35-ton would welcome new people (contact Michelle and Mark)
  - For contributions to operations and analysis









# **LBNE** → **ELBNF** Transition



- **★** LBNE → ELBNF
  - Single phase effort currently embedded in LBNE project
  - Dedicated teams working on:
    - 35-ton prototype & CERN prototype
    - Many people are funded on existing LBNE DOE project
    - Need continuity through this transition period: these activities are essential

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