

*LArIAT:
a TPC to calibrate TPCs
(and much more...)*

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Liquid Argon TPC In A Testbeam

Setting up a long-term test facility to calibrate and test LArTPCs and their components using a beam of charged particles

PHASE I

Reuse the ArgoNeuT detector with small modification for:

- *Visible energy calibration*
- *Optimization of particle ID (PID) methods*
- *Experimental determination of e/γ separation*
- *Development of criteria for charge sign determination*
- *Kaon reconstruction*

PHASE II

Build a larger TPC for:

- *Characterization of EM and hadronic showers*
- *Realization of a test station for LAr detector subsystems under development for future use (cold electronics, new wire plane designs, study longer drift distances...)*



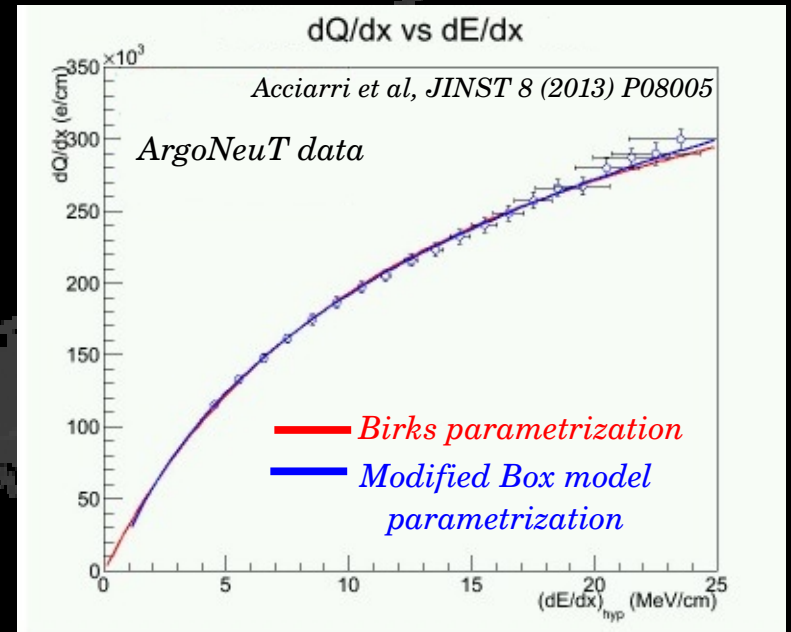
A unique cryogenic/purification facility designed to operate for both phases and to allow future tests of LAr detectors

Visible Energy Calibration

Precisely determine the electron recombination parameters by studying the dQ/dx of single stopping tracks of known energy

WHY?

- *ArgoNeuT data agree with standard parametrization over a large range of dE/dx but rely on protons / deuterons only*
- *Recombination parameters estimated using secondary particle whose nature is established by the parametrization itself*
- *Provide to LAr TPC experiments a verification of the Birks parametrization in a large range of dE/dx for different types of particles*



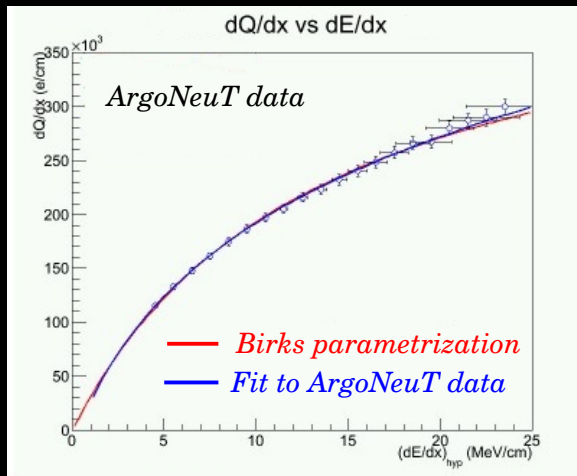
HOW?

Determination of ionization charge collected at TPC wires vs energy deposited in LAr for:

- *Different types of stopping particles ($E=0.25-1$ GeV - large dE/dx range)*
- *Different E fields ($\sim 0.3-1.0$ kV/cm)*

PID Methods Optimization

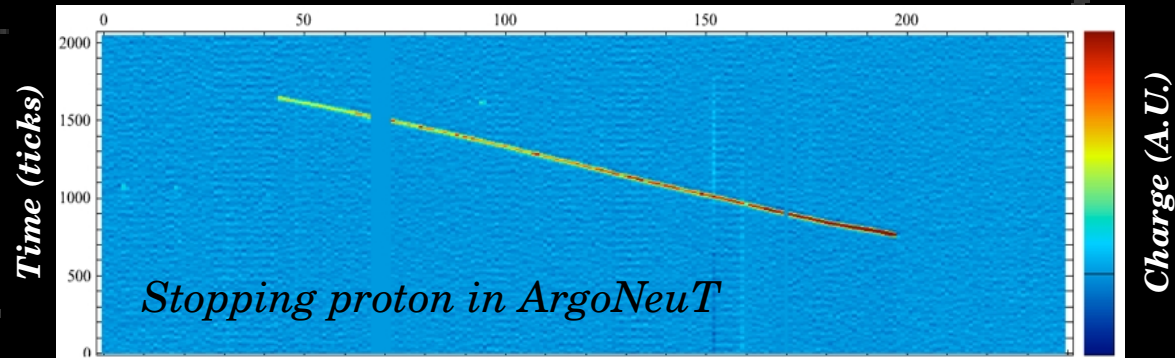
e^- recomb. param. in LAr



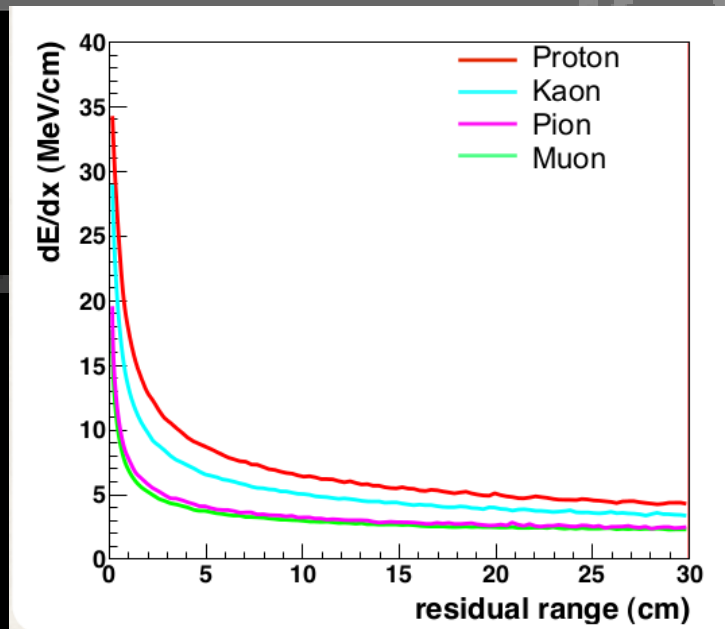
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Full 3D imaging

Collection Plane Wire Number



dE/dx vs. Residual Range: Particle Identification



High-statistics test beam data will allow experimental determination of:

- Proton ID
- Kaon ID
- P/K separation and purity / rejection factor
- $K/\pi/\mu$ separation and purity / rejection factor

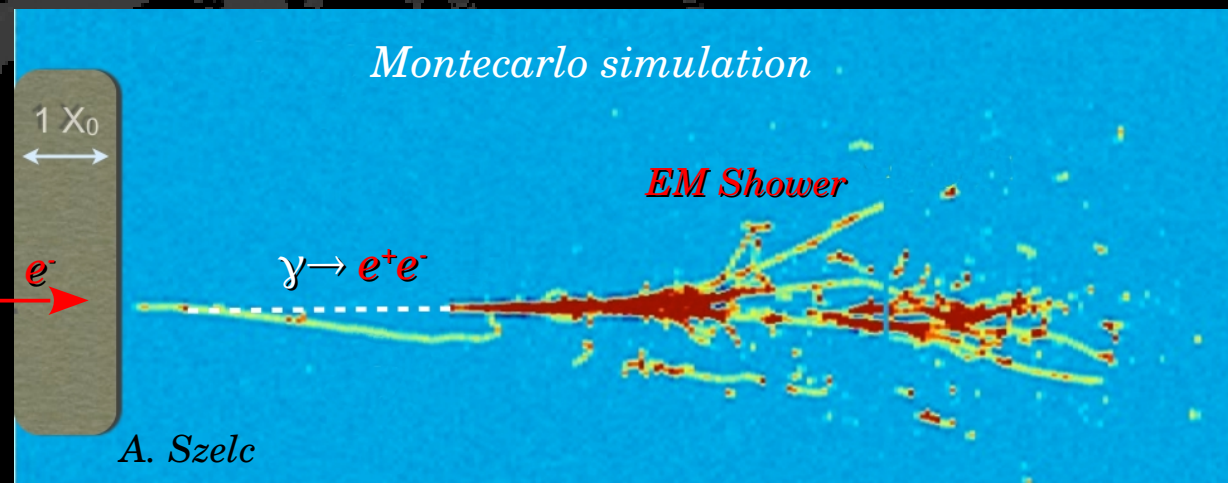
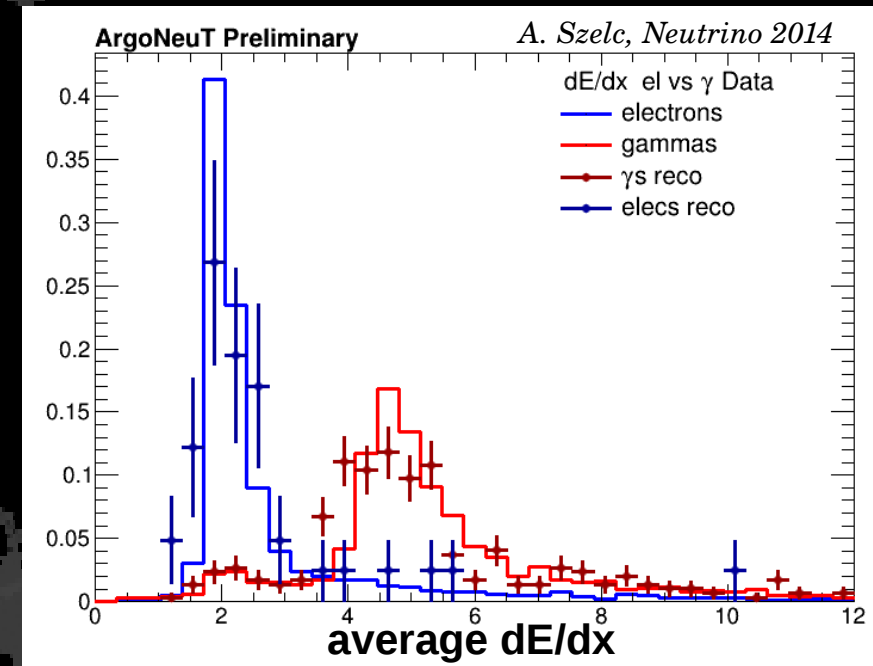
Electron / Gamma Shower Separation

WHY?

- Crucial for discriminating ν_e CC signal from π_0 background coming from NC interactions
- e^-/γ shower separation efficiency and sample purity not yet experimentally measured
- Recently (Neutrino 2014) ArgoNeuT showed the feasibility of such study in LAr

HOW?

- Electrons found in the beam
 - Photons generated via brehmsstrahlung in $1 X_0$ pre-shower disk.
- Only initial part of the shower is relevant – no need of containment



Muon Sign Determination

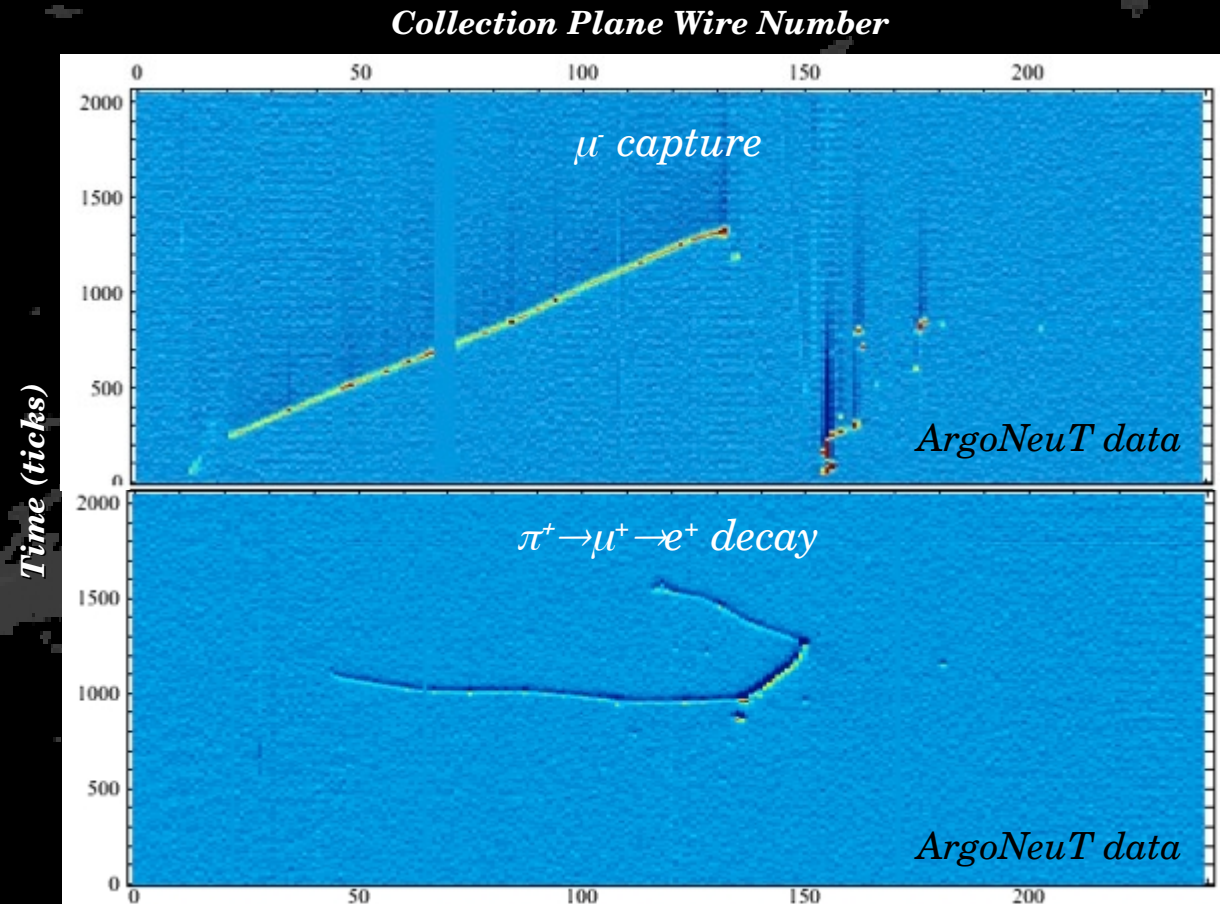
Systematic study of capture in Ar and sign-selection capabilities in LArTPC

WHY?

- $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ bar discrimination in non-magnetized LArTPC

HOW?

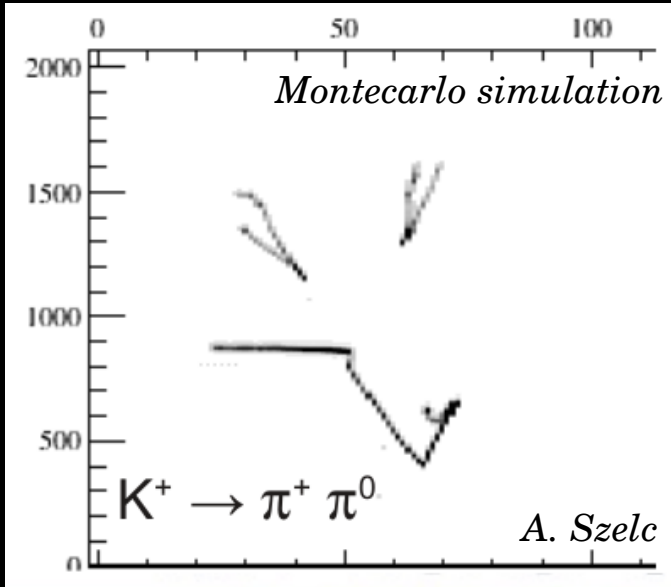
- μ^- undergo both capture on nuclei (76%) and decay (24%)
- μ^+ undergo decay (100%)
- Topological differences can allow for sign determination in absence of magnetic field on a statistical basis



LArIAT will be the first exploring this possibility in a systematic way!

Kaon Reconstruction

Kaon reconstruction and systematic study of decay topologies

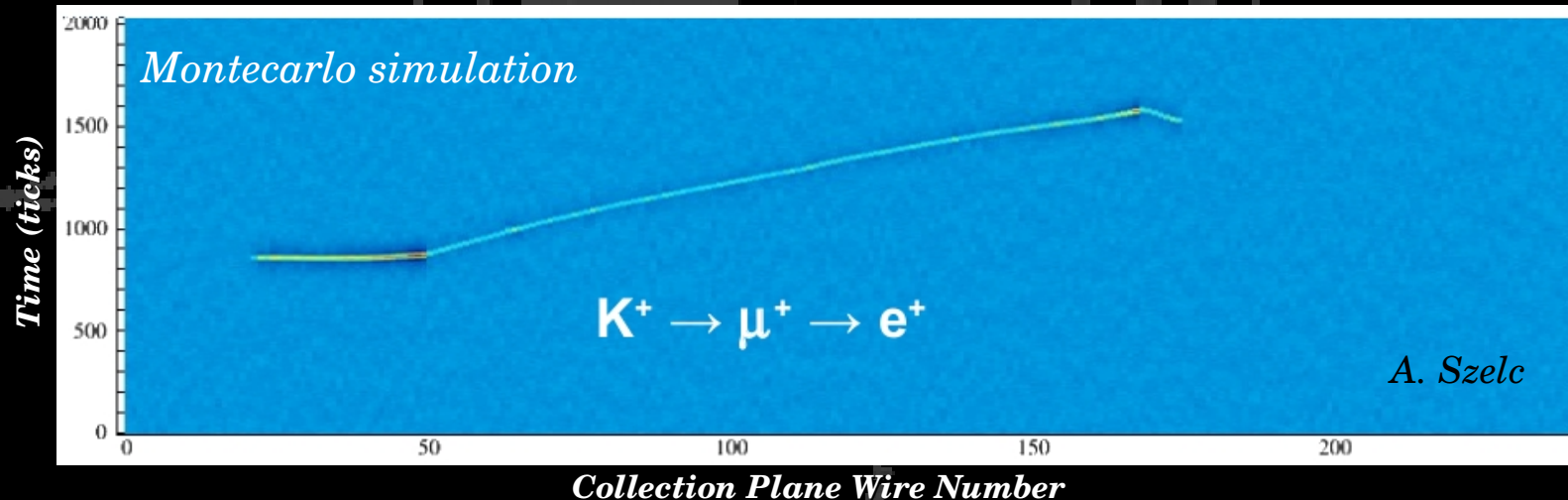


WHY?

- Never performed in LAr in a systematic way
- Will provide insight into possible proton decay topologies

HOW?

- dE/dx vs. residual range allows K/P discrimination
- TOF detectors provides K sample and allows test of dE/dx vs. residual range discrimination power

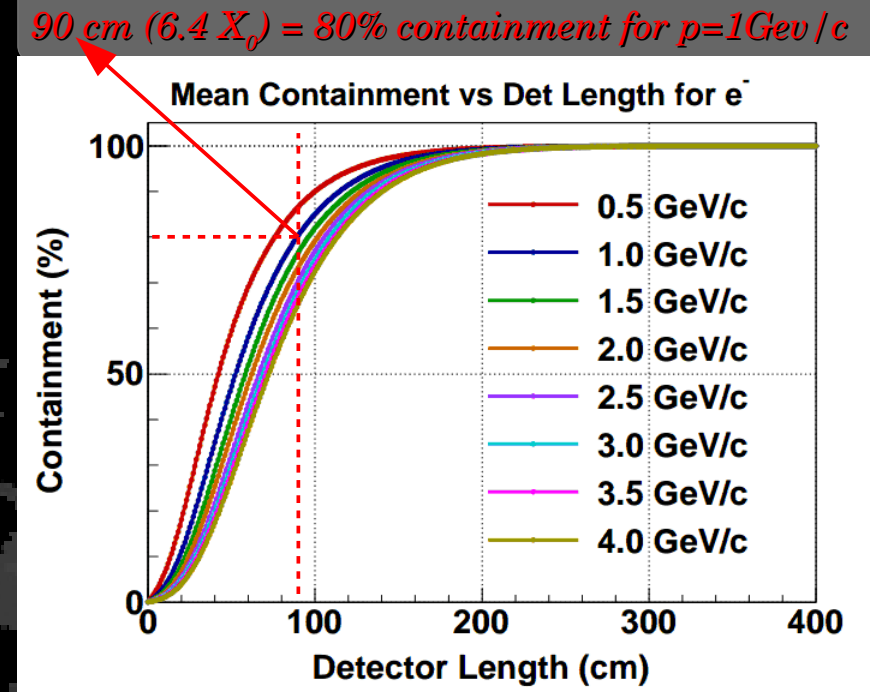


EM / Hadronic Showers Characterization

EM showers:

- Energy deposition mechanisms very well understood and reliable MC simulation
- ~30% deposited energy goes into soft electrons ($< 2 \text{ MeV}$)

Phase I detector size allows for a first study of energy reconstructed vs. total energy deposited

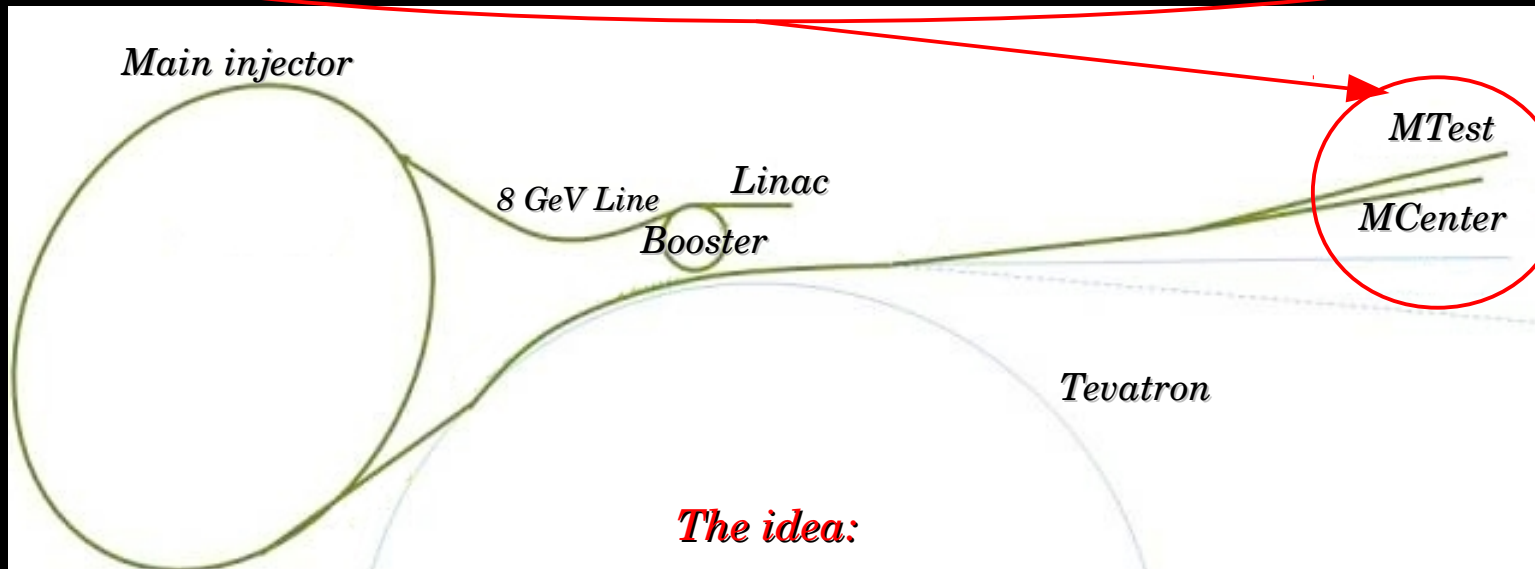


Hadronic showers:

- Hard to contain (develop on $\lambda_{int} \simeq 5 X_0$)
- More complicated energy deposition mechanism: energy goes into EM (E dependent), soft neutrons ($\simeq 10\%$) and an undetectable not-well-known fraction

Characterization of hadronic showers possible with a larger phase 2 detector

Where Everything Happens: *Fermilab Test Beam Facility*



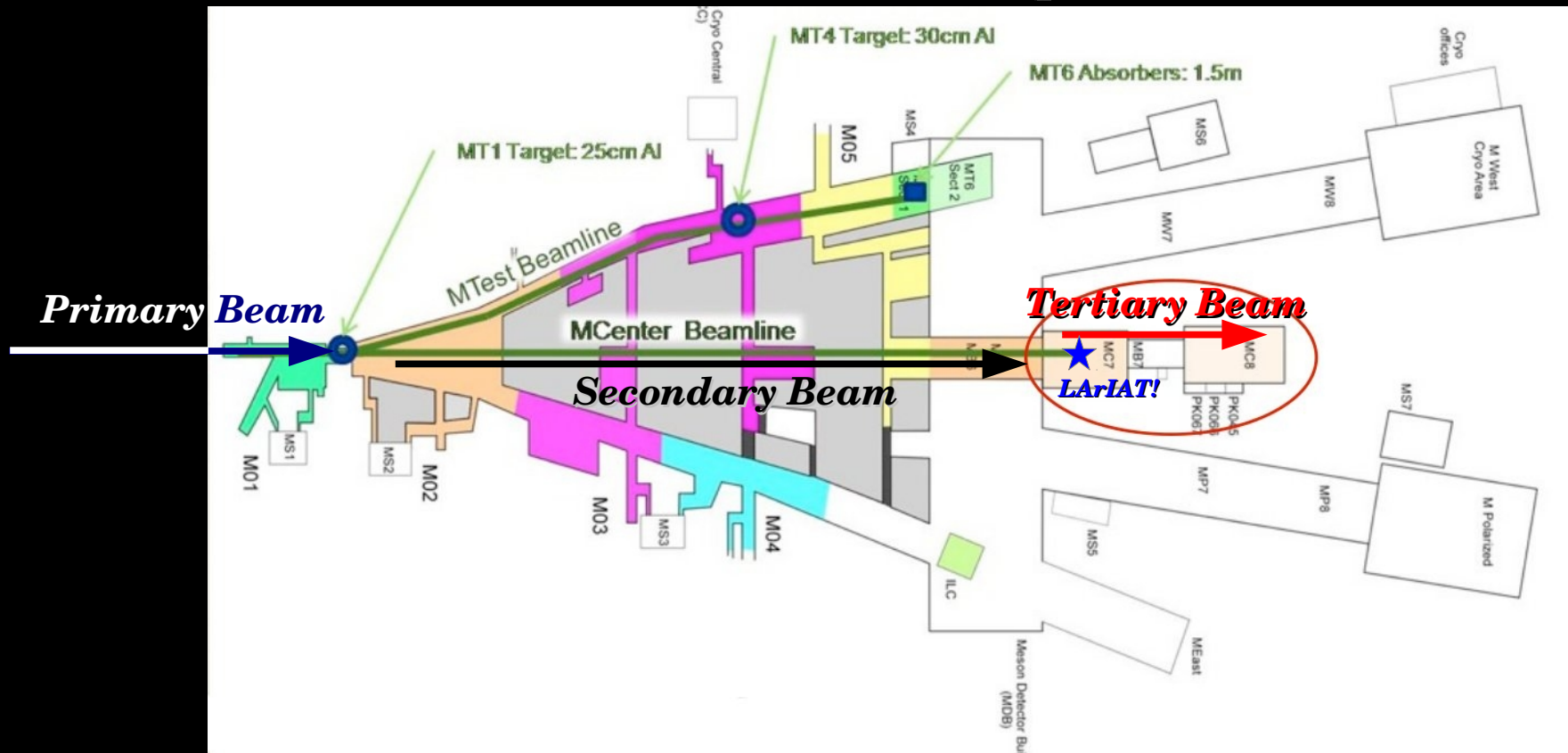
The idea:

Flexible, equal, and open access to test beams for all detector tests, with low bureaucratic overhead and a guarantee of safety, coordination, and oversight

Two facilities:

- ✓ *MTest: hosts short-term tests (1 week – 1 month)*
- ✓ *MCenter: allows long term occupation. Will host LArIAT becoming the facility for long-term LAr calibration and R&D*
- ✓ *Both receive a primary beam of 66-120 GeV protons in 4 sec/min spills*

Fermilab Test Beam Facility



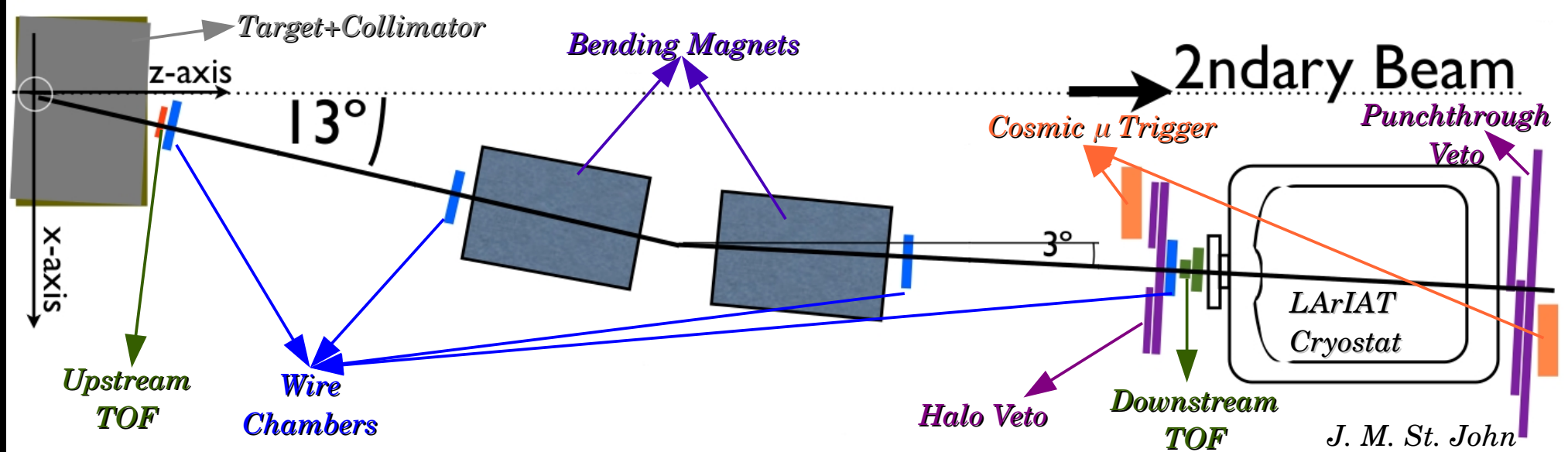
Secondary Beam

- π mode: 8-80 GeV beam
- Low energy π mode: 1-32 GeV beam
- $\mu/\kappa/e$ mode: same energy as low energy π

Tertiary Beam

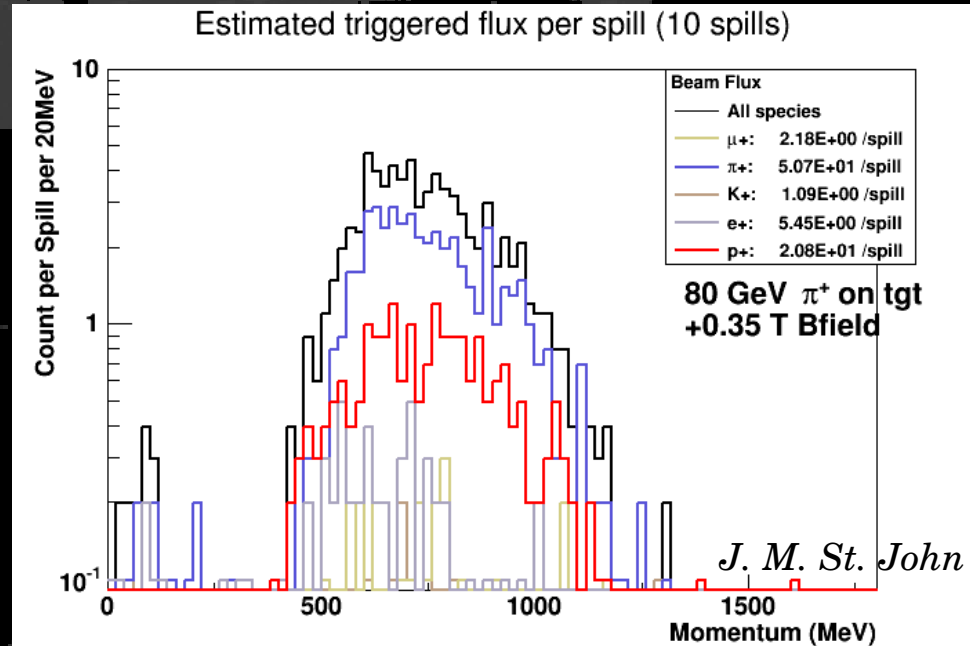
- Low energy π mode: 0.2-3 GeV beam
- p, κ, μ, e down to 200 MeV

Tertiary Beam & Beam Detectors Layout



➤ Particle momentum range and sign @ TPC selected by tuning secondary beam energy and dipole magnetic field (± 0.35 T)

➤ For $3 \cdot 10^5$ 80 GeV π^+ per spill on target expected 400 particles at cryostat / 70-80 after trigger cuts



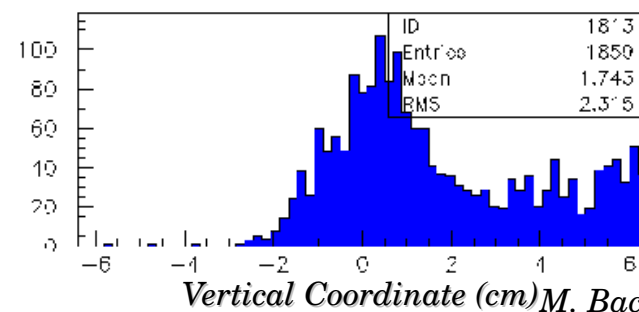
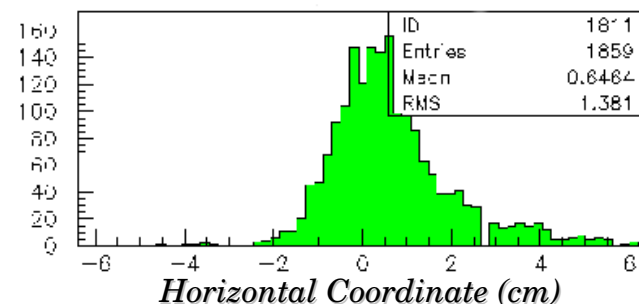
Where We Are

Beam detectors @ MC7



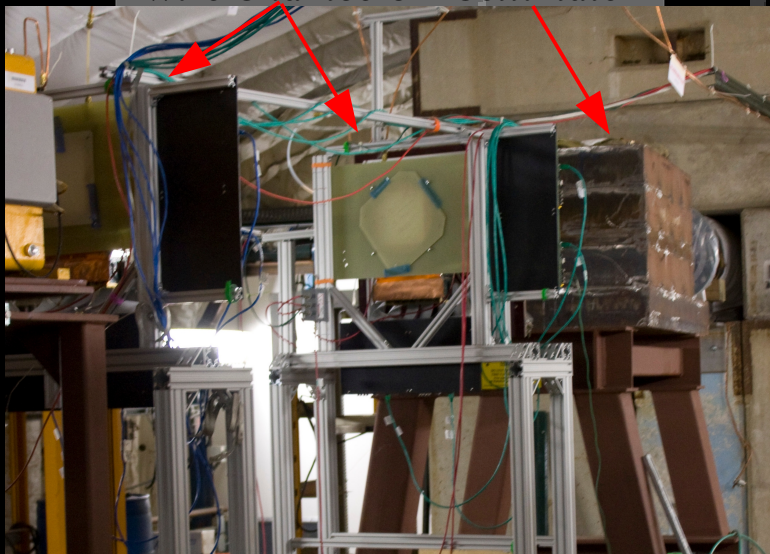
- Secondary beam commissioned!
- Target, Collimator, Wire Chambers, TOF, Magnets installed
- Tertiary beam under commissioning right now

Wire chamber at LARIAT target

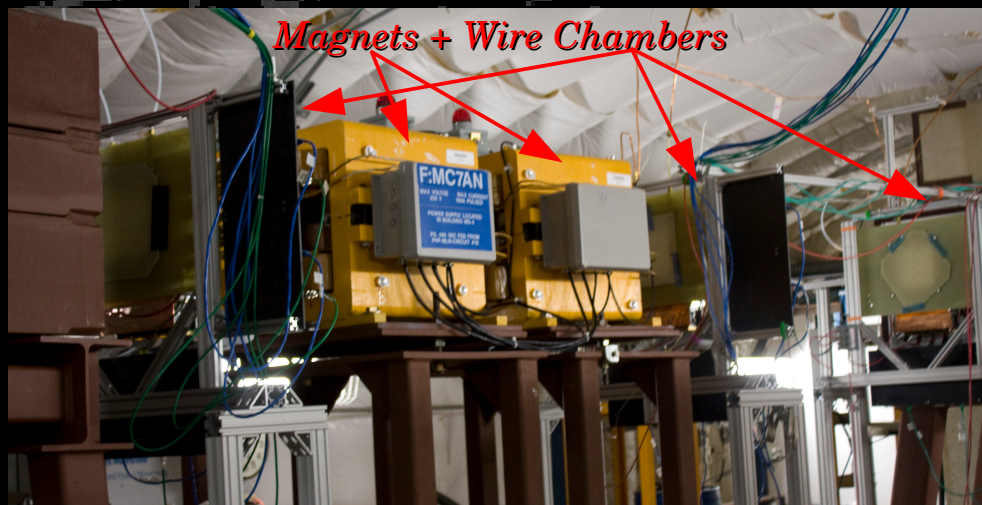


M. Backfish

Wire Chambers + Collimator

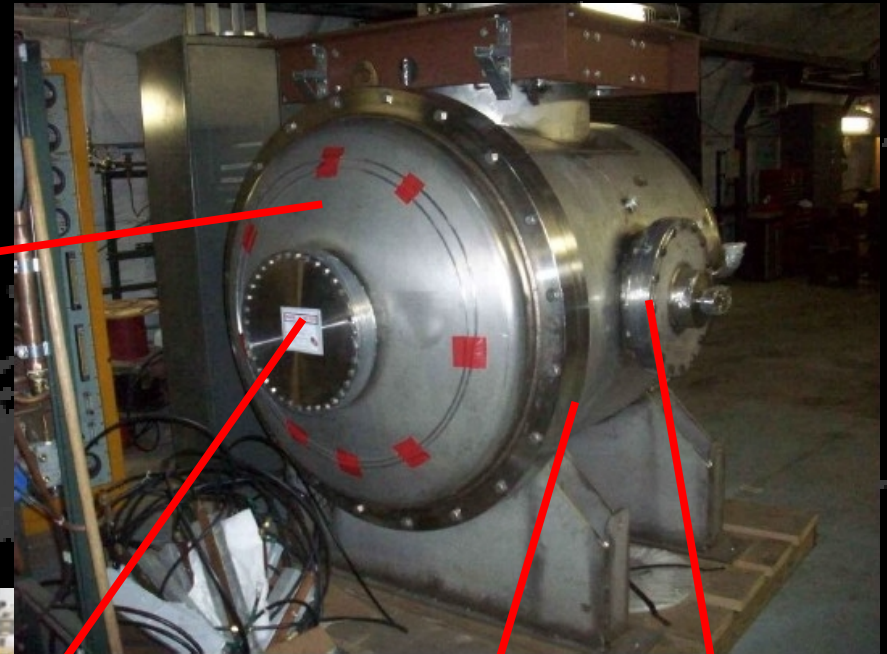
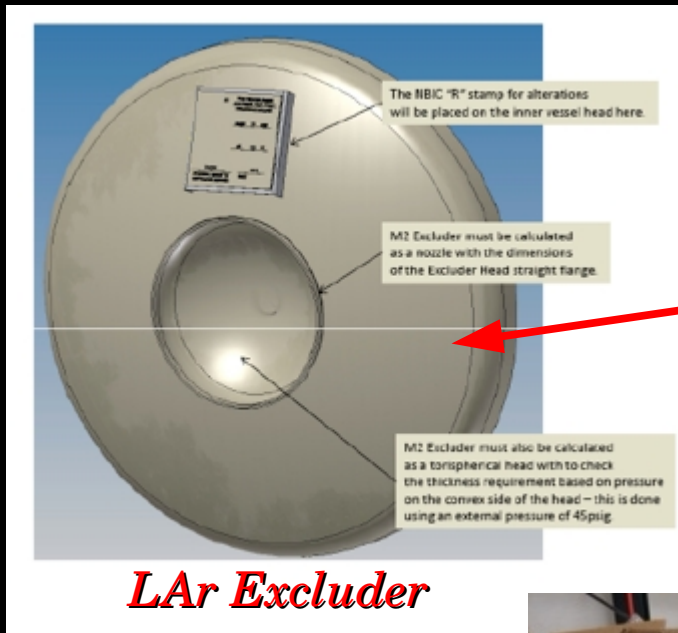


Magnets + Wire Chambers



Other Updates: Cryostat

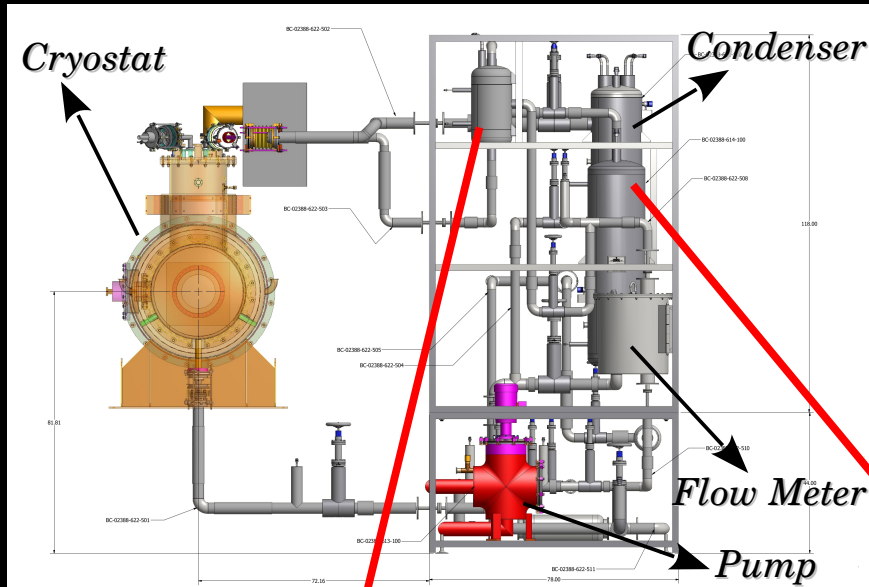
Work on cryostat done by PHPK; realization of a Ti beam window done by the Fermilab engineer and mechanical department



**PMT
Feedthrough**

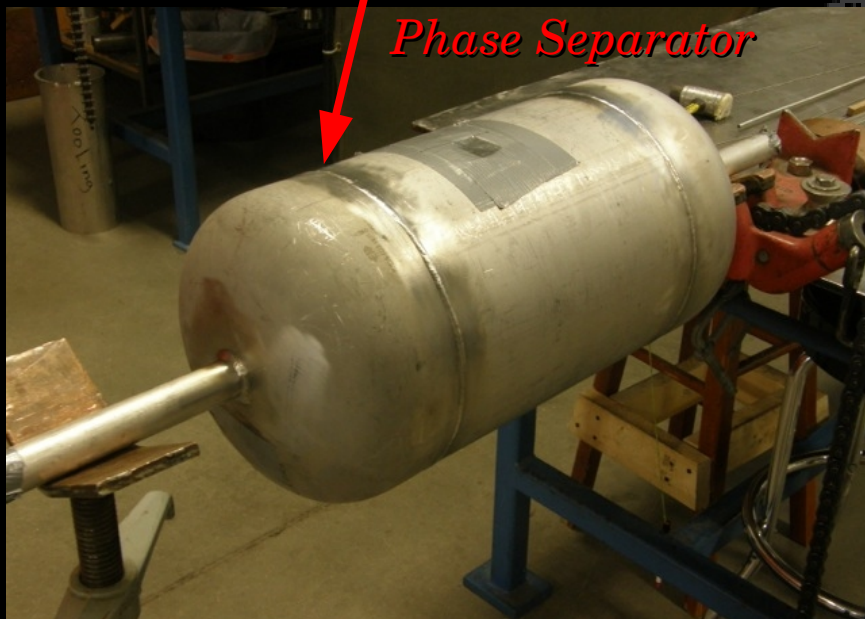
Drainage Port

Other Updates: Cryogenic System



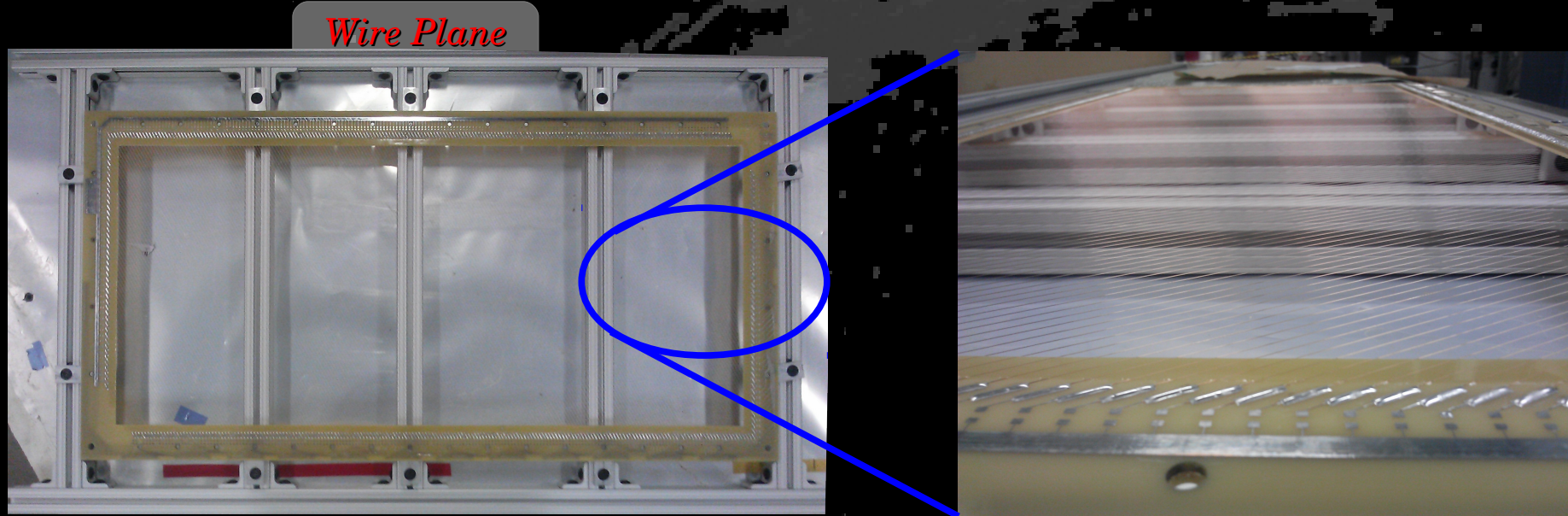
➤ Work done by EDEN

➤ First parts arriving soon



Other Updates: TPC

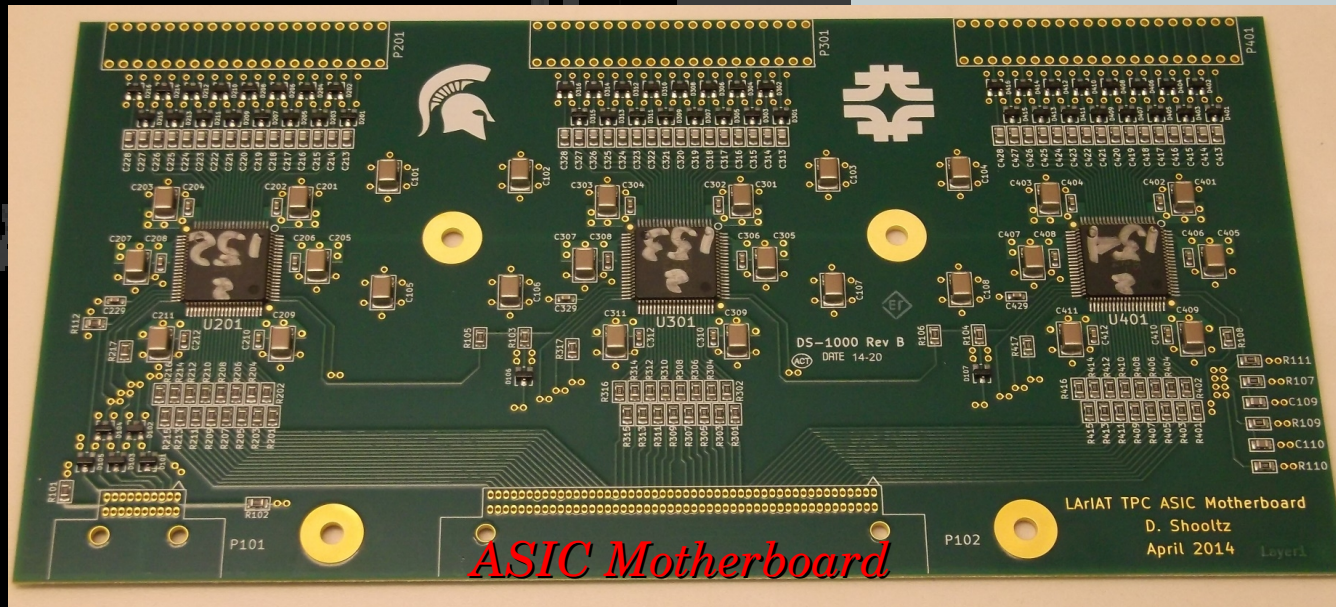
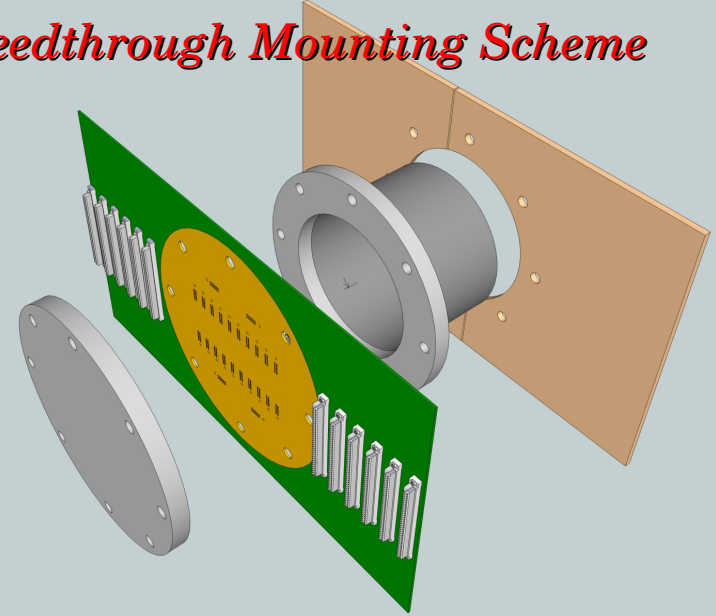
- *ArgoNeuT TPC with new wire, wire frames, resistors*
- *Cryostat and TPC moved to Lab6 to allow assembling in parallel with beam commissioning and cryo-system work*
- *Wire mounted on wire frames*
- *Field cage resistors tested*
- *TPC assembled by August, in time for an engineering run*



Other Updates: Readout Electronics

- Replace ArgoNeuT warm electronics with new cold electronic designed and made @ MSU using the same BNL ASIC as is used in MicroBooNE
- 14 ASIC motherboards realized and being tested now
- Feedthrough design finalized and being realized now

Feedthrough Mounting Scheme

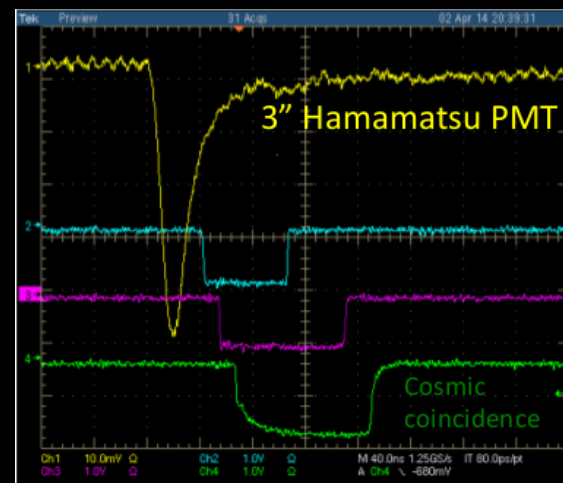
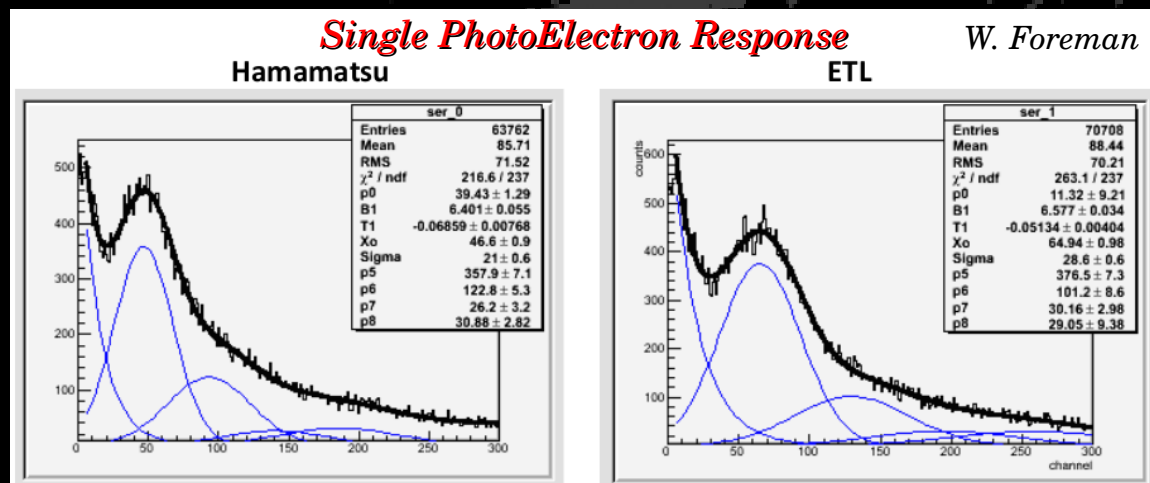
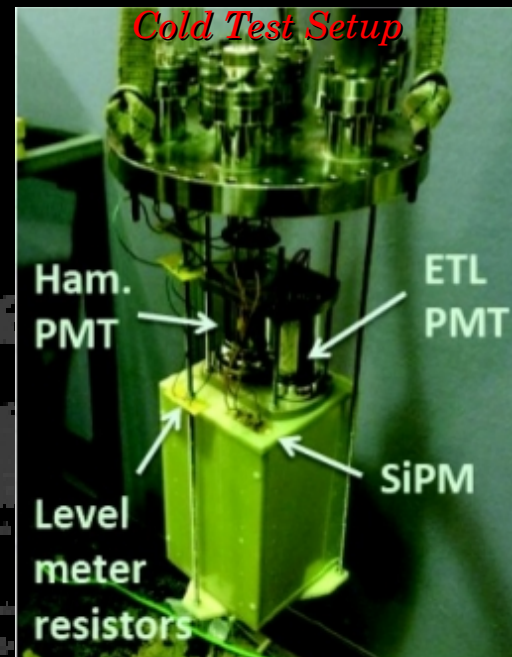


Other Updates: Light Readout

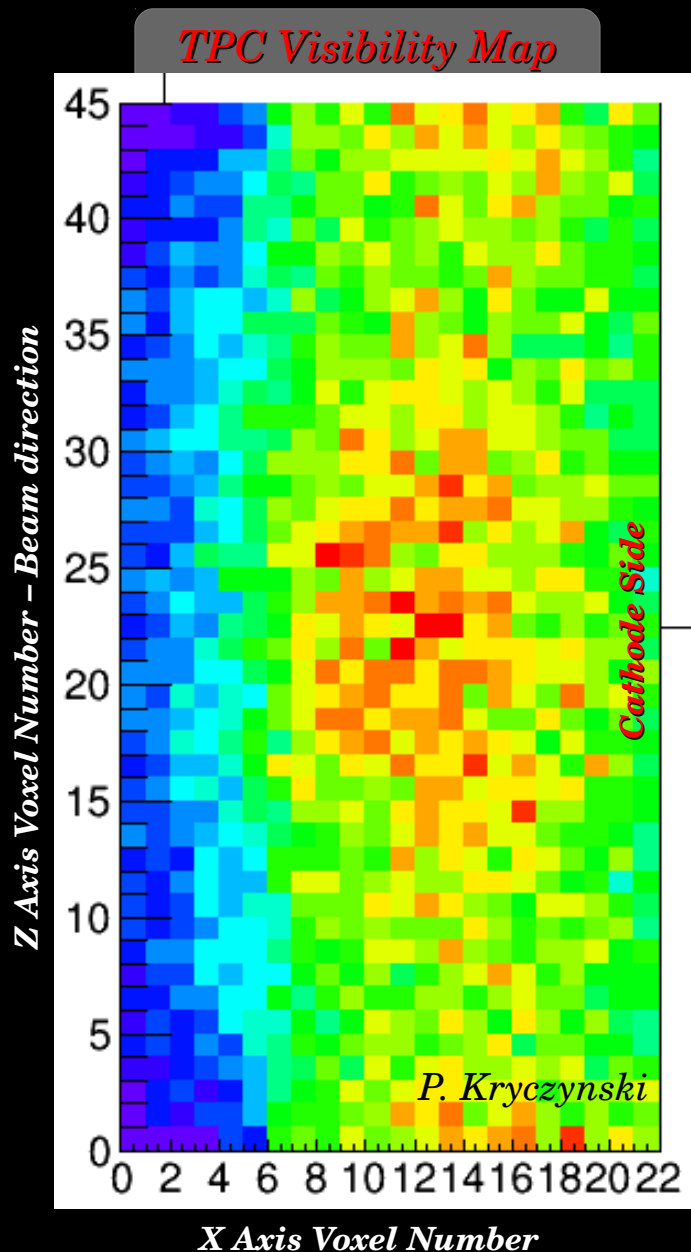
Two PMTs and two SiPM for R&D on light collection and energy reconstruction from charge+light

- Cold test @ U Chicago: check of devices working conditions, TPB-covered foils and light collection simulation
- Test of the mounting procedure of the TPB-covered foils in the TPC
 - Test of the power supplies at MCenter

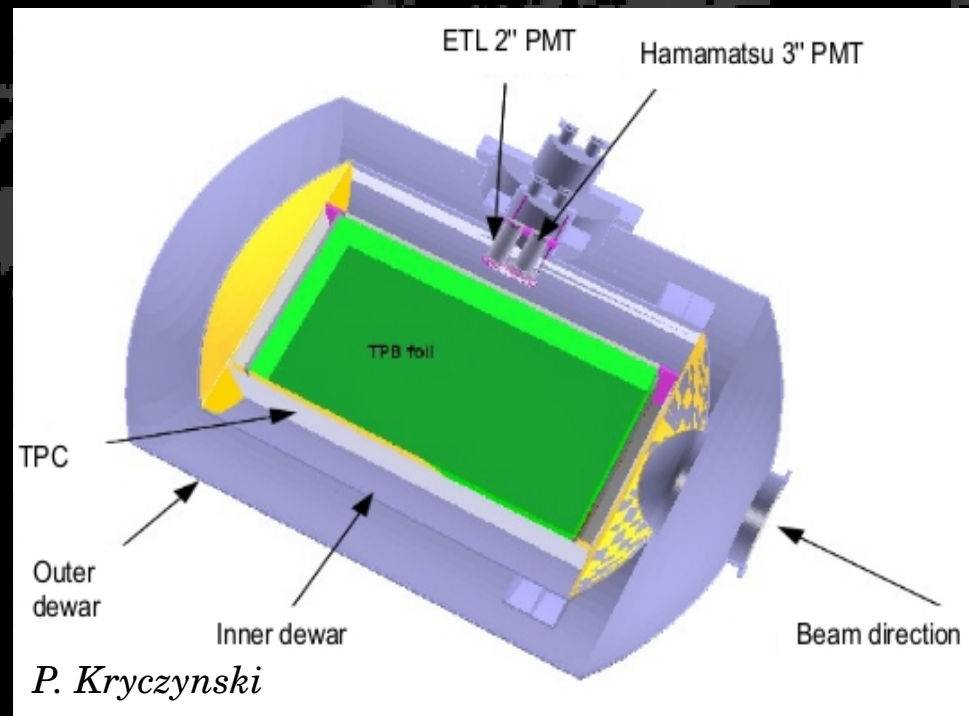
More info in W. Foreman talk!!!



Other Updates: Simulation

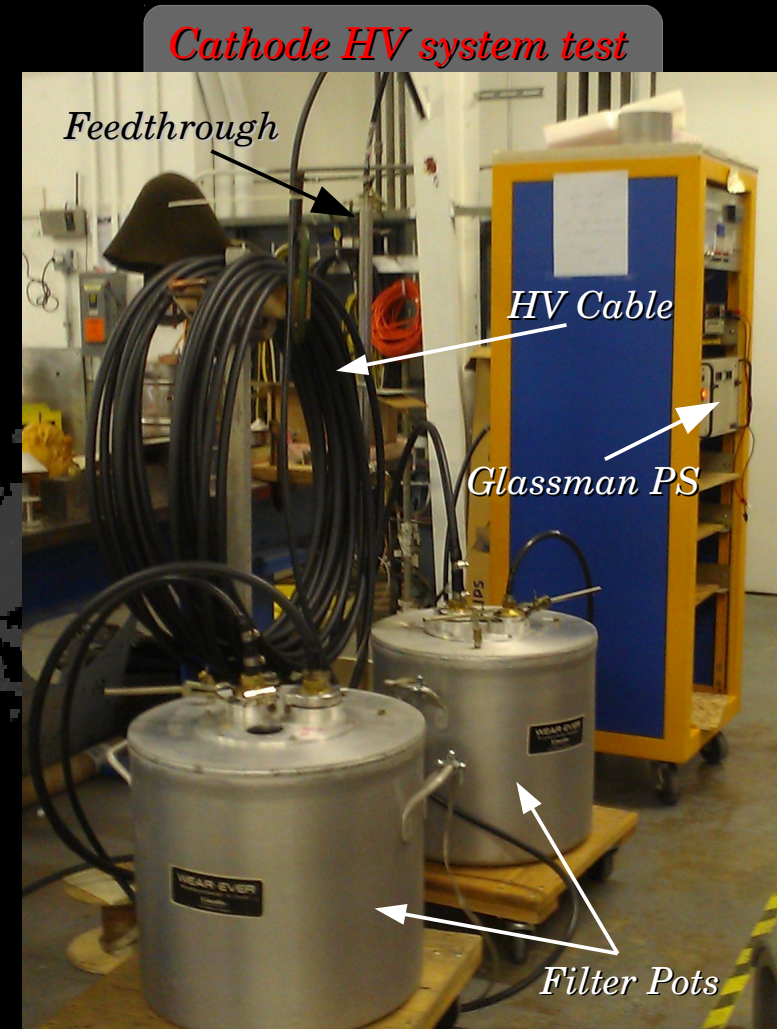


- *Cryostat modifications inserted in Geant*
- *MonteCarlo is based on ArgoNeut detector with updated geometry*
- *Light collection system (PMTs+SiPM+TPB) fully simulated and tested*



Other Updates: HV System

- HV power supplies for cathode and PMTs controlled remotely via web using a system developed by the Fermilab Accelerator Division (ACNET)
- All HV controls and monitors ready
- Cathode HV system tested in air. Soon test in LAr
- Test of full chain (from HV power supply to readout electronics) + measurement HV-related noise scheduled for the end of July



Summary

➤ **LArIAT scientific goals:**

- ✓ *Direct / experimental proof of e / γ separation in LarTPCs*
- ✓ *Detailed measurement of recombination factors p , K , π , μ PID and accurate calorimetry*
- ✓ *Topological studies for non-magnetic sign determination*
- ✓ *Kaon reconstruction and decay topology study*
- ✓ *Direct measurement of energy resolutions for EM and hadronic showers*
- ✓ *Fine-tuning software for off-line analysis*

➤ **Phase I:**

- ✓ *Commissioning started!*
 - *Secondary beam commissioned*
 - *Tertiary beam and first part beam detectors under commissioning*
- ✓ *3 months beam shutdown (September-November)*
- ✓ *Engineering GAr run before / during beam shutdown with full detector*
- ✓ *First LAr run by the end of the year*

➤ **Phase II:**

- ✓ *Simulation and planning has begun*

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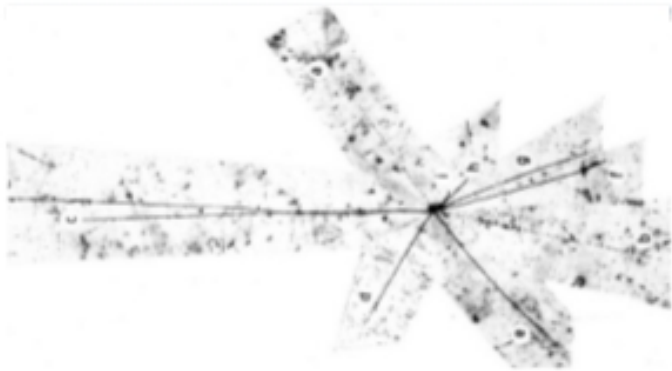
Anti-proton Stars

Antiproton Star Observed in Emulsion*

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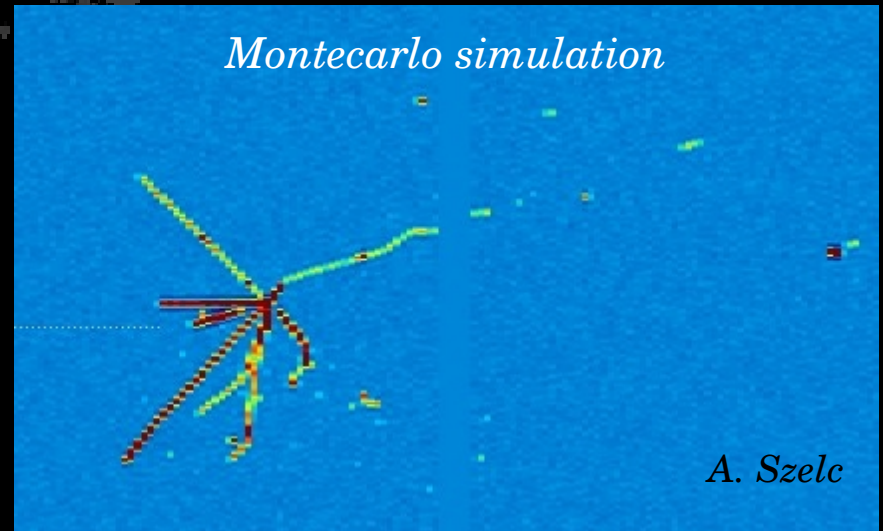


*Relevant for n - $\bar{n}$ oscillation searches at
future large underground LArTPC detectors.*

✓ *Low momentum anti-protons in the beam (even
at a small rate) will allow the first study of
hadron star topology from p - $\bar{p}$ annihilation
at rest in Argon*

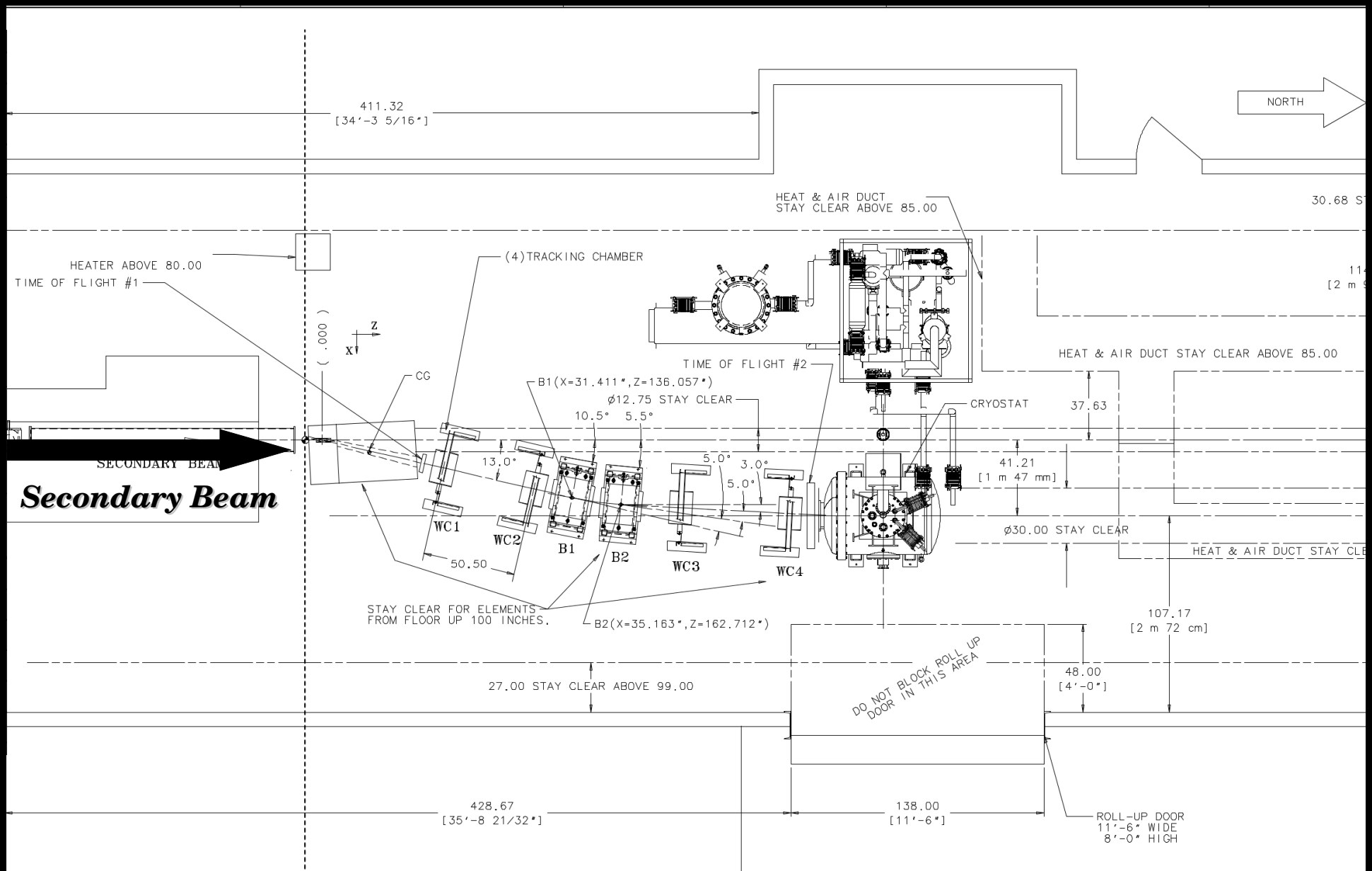
✓ *LAr imaging detector capabilities permits
accurate determination of meson multiplicity*

Montecarlo simulation



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Timeline

