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November 3rd, 2008

ArgoNeuT and MicroBooNE

- ArgoNeuT Status
- MicroBooNE Status
- Impact on the broader program

Will have updated collaboration
list here to point out
new institutions
new collaborators
will list grad students in red?

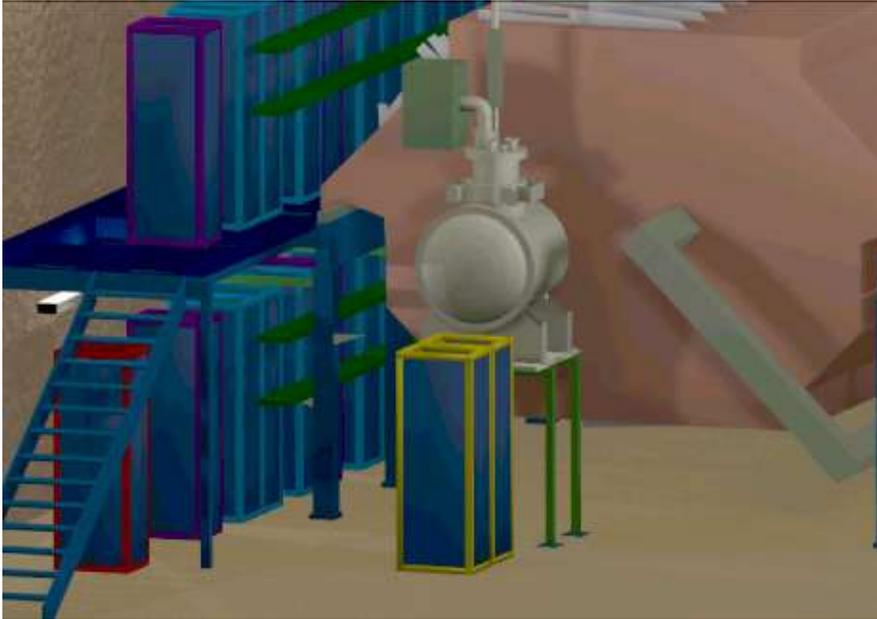
ArgoNeuT (2008)

Joint NSF/DOE project

0.3 ton active volume

0.5 x 0.5 x 1.0 m³ TPC; 500 channels

- See neutrino interactions (~150 evts/day)
- Long term running conditions
- Underground issues

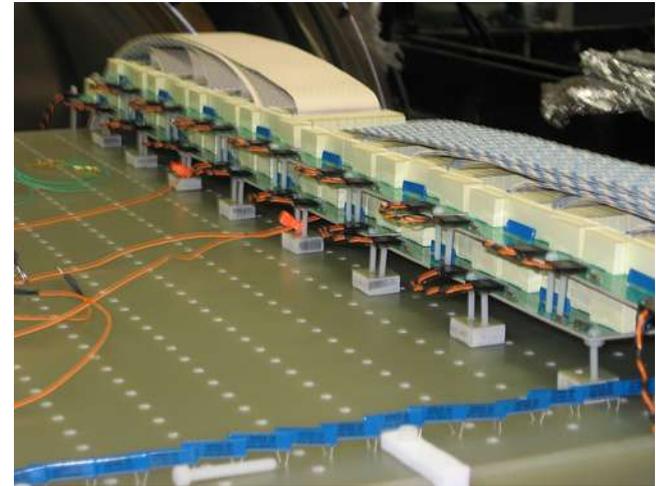
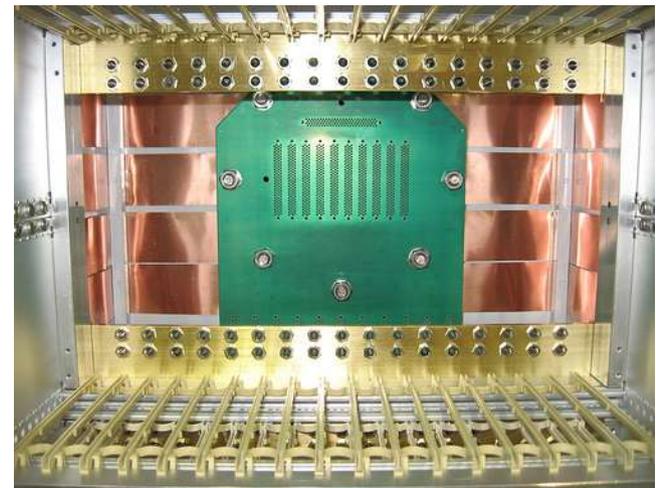
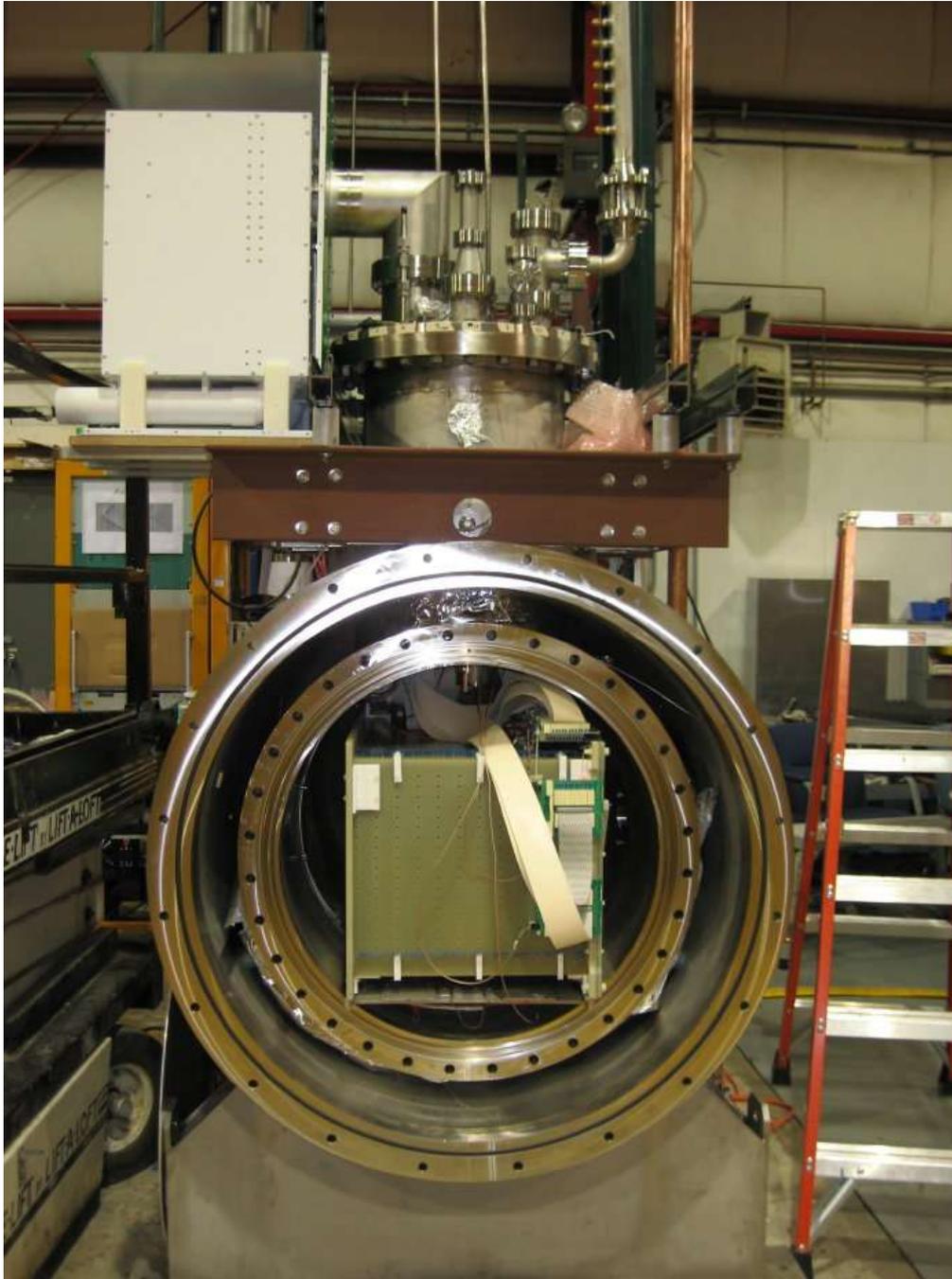


Located in NuMI near hall using MINOS near detector as a muon catcher

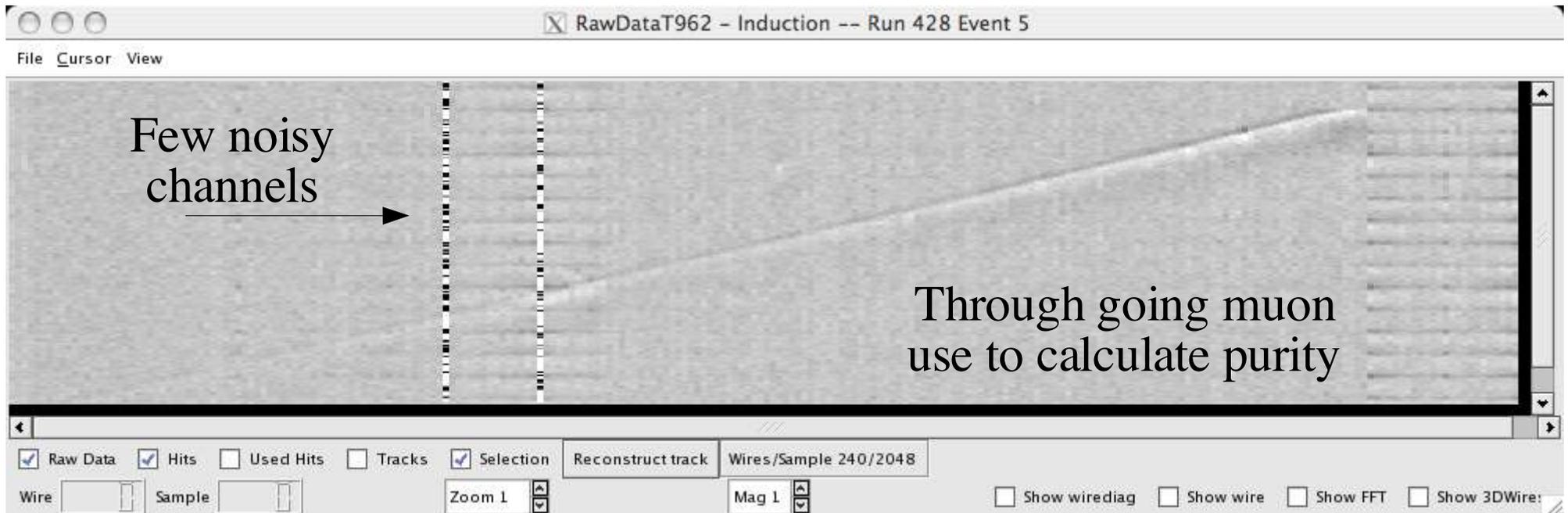
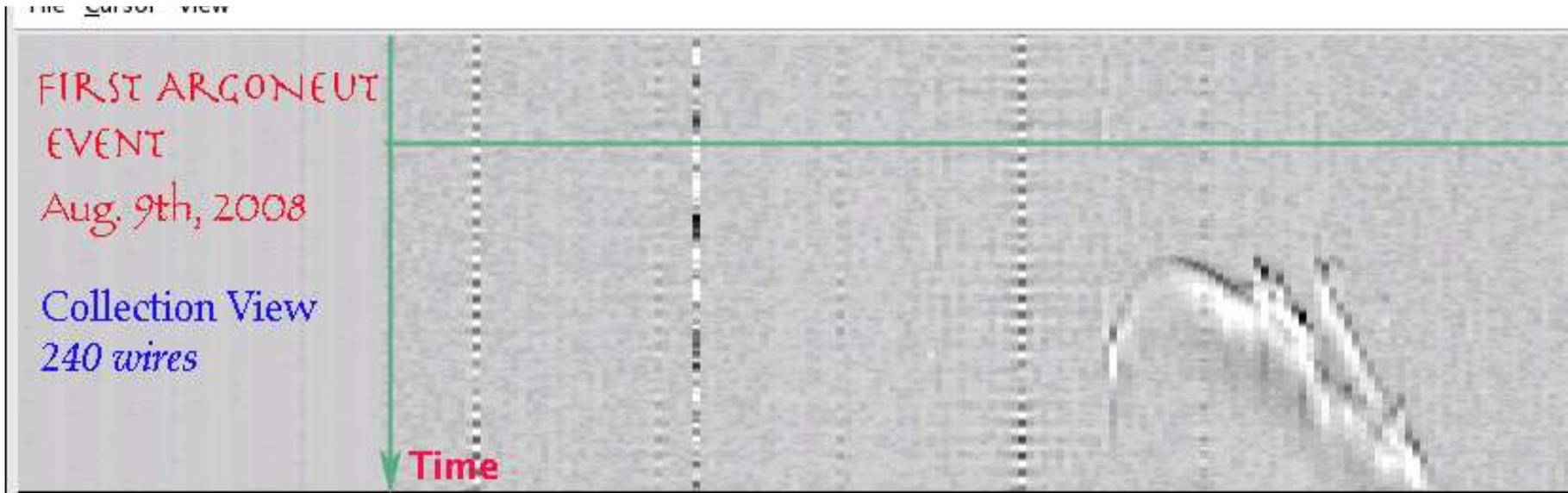
Detector fully
assembled
and commissioned
above
ground in August



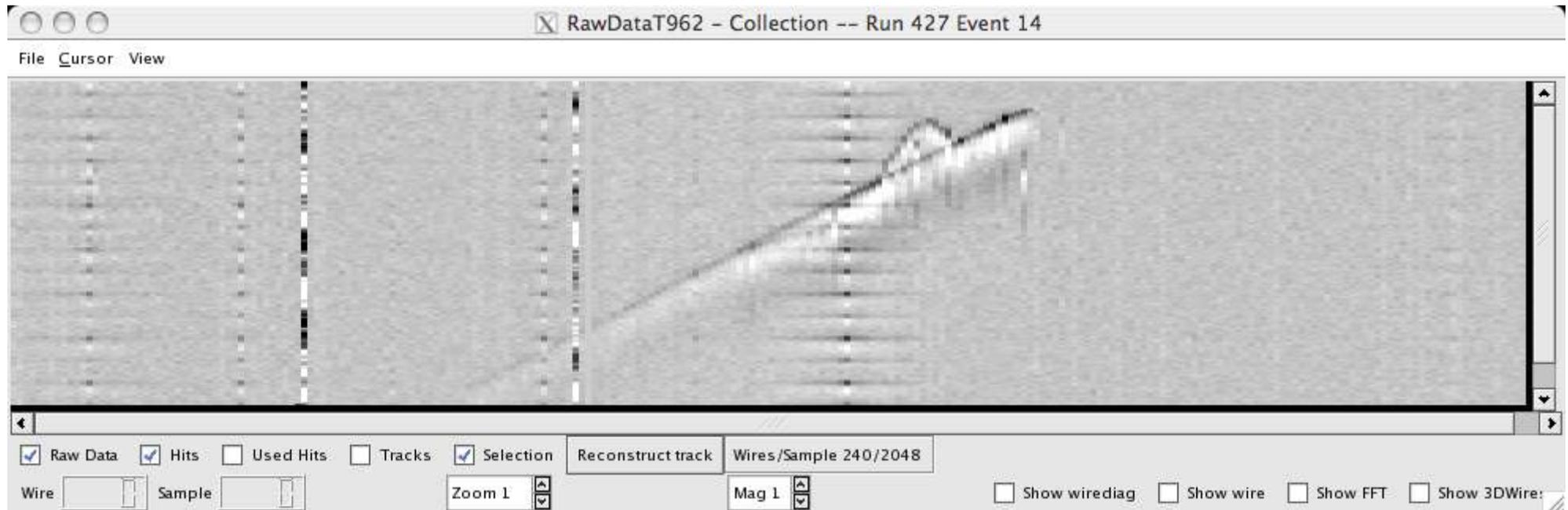
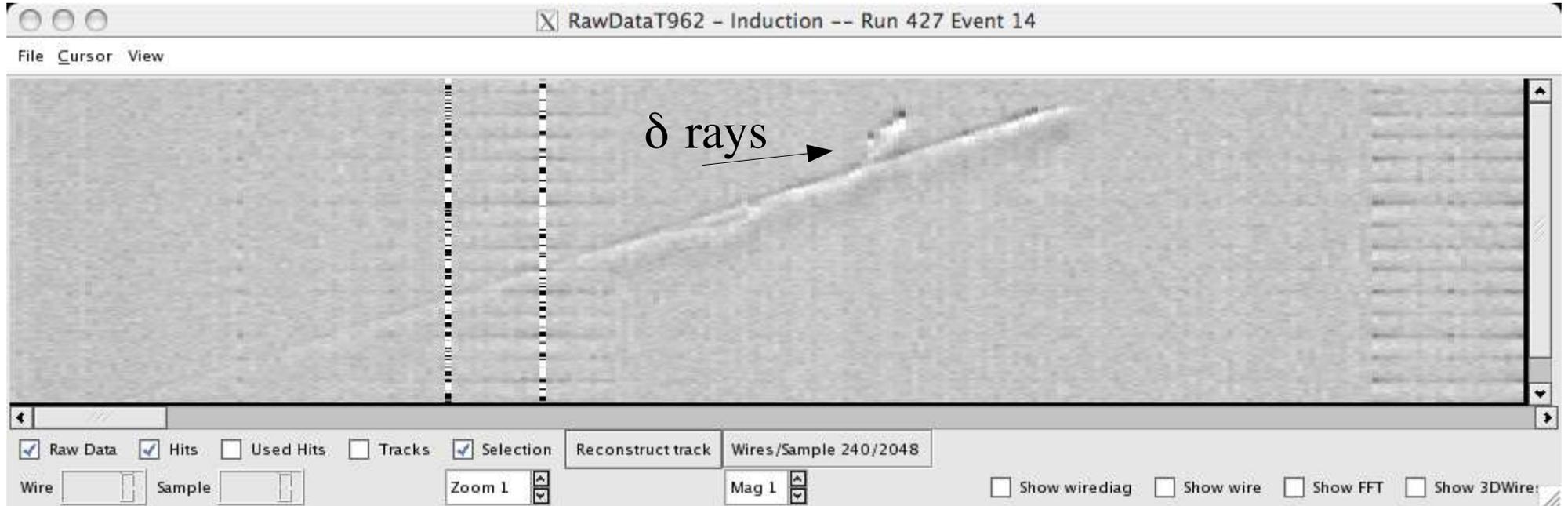
Inner detector and Readout



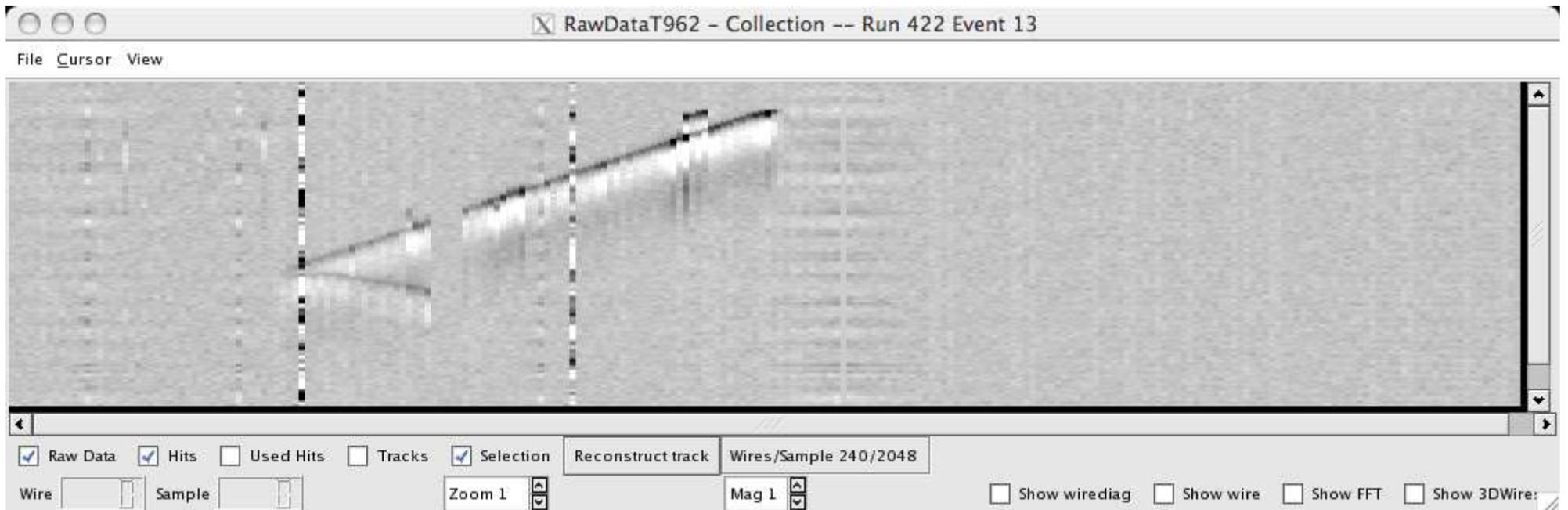
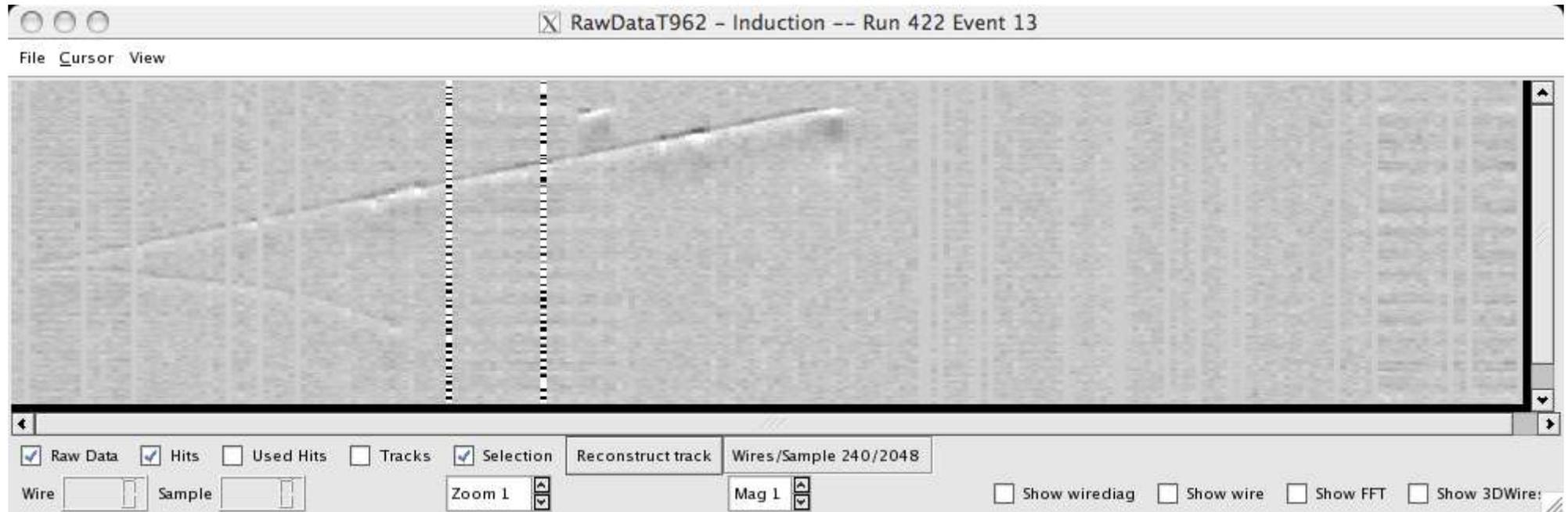
ArgoNeuT fill with LAr for first time on August 4th. First cosmic tracks seen on August 9th!



Another muon – in Induction and Collection planes



Candidate neutrino interaction in Induction and Collection planes

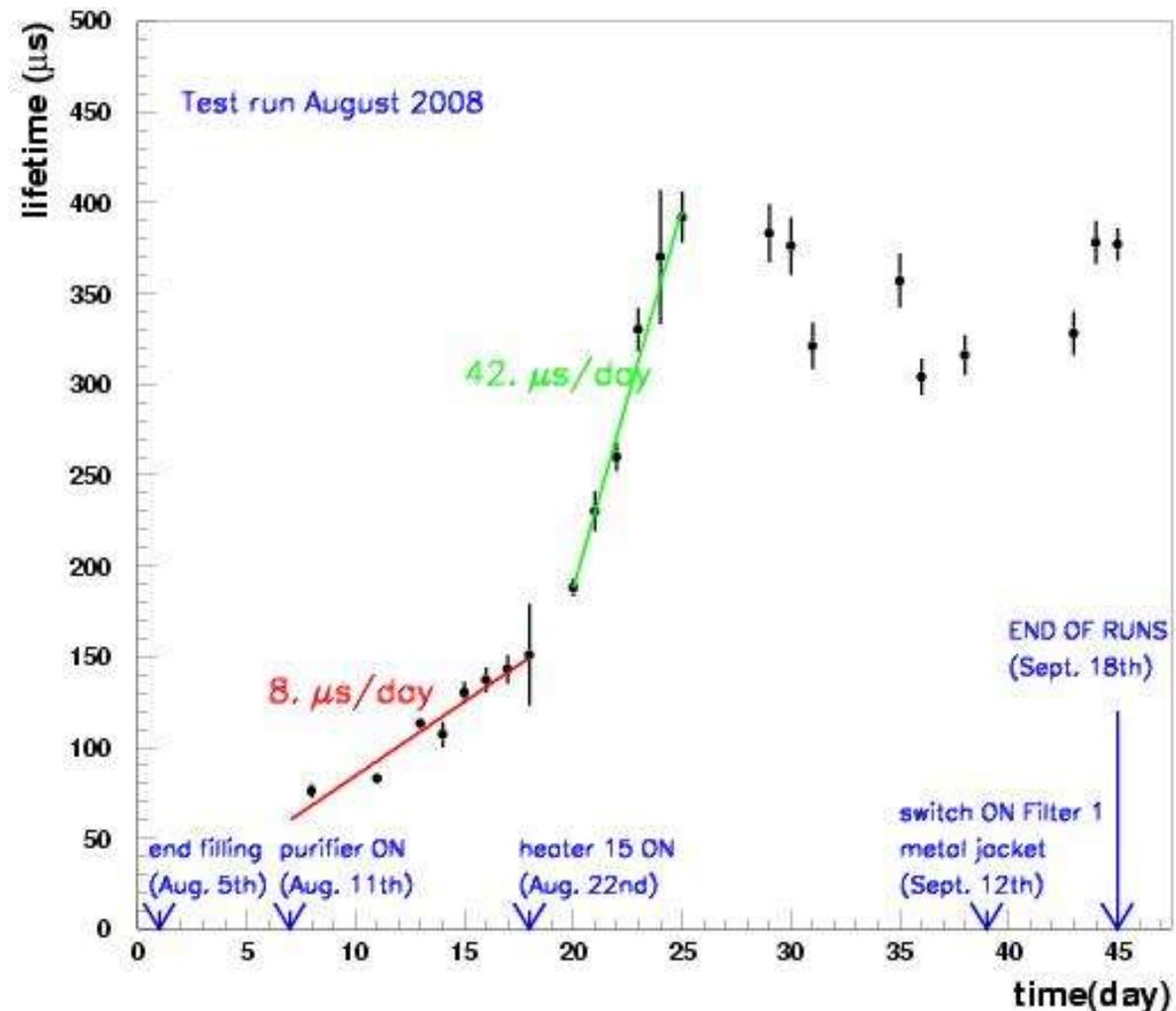


Lessons learned:

- This is not “black magic”!
- That said: Purity is good enough for ArgoNeuT, but details in the fill procedure and purification/cryogenic system are important!

Electron lifetime vs
time during
commissioning run.

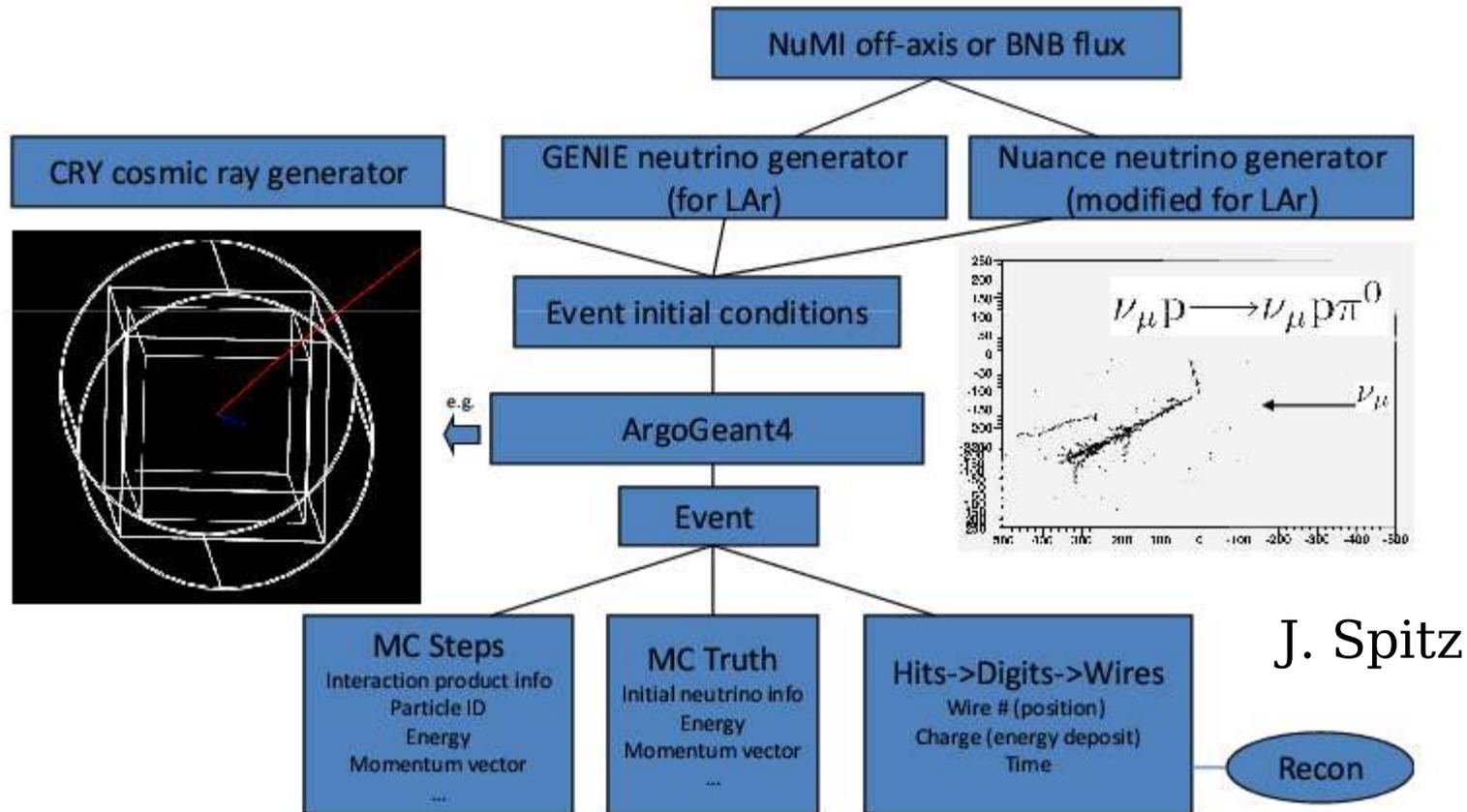
Late August/Early
Sept., purity
remains
constant/decreases:
Heat load changes
or exhausted filter
are possible causes



- Optimizing other systems before going underground: routing of readout cables, filter insulation, heat load balance, purity monitor fiber....

Simulation/Reconstruction effort

The Monte Carlo tree



Overall framework for Simulation and Reconstruction packages in development.

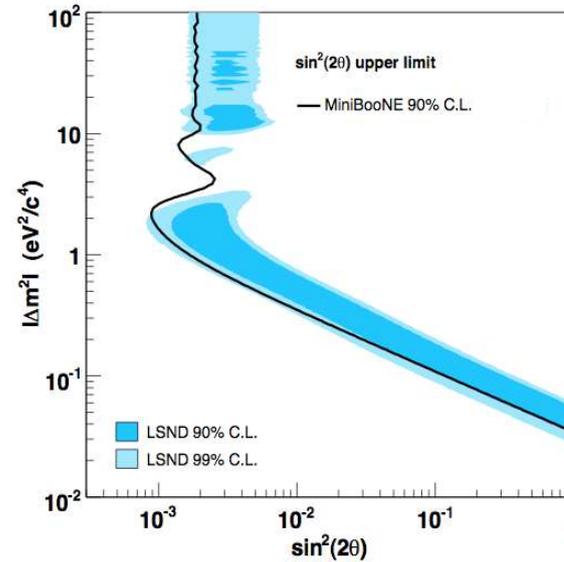
Combined Analysis tools effort for ArgoNeuT/MicroBoone

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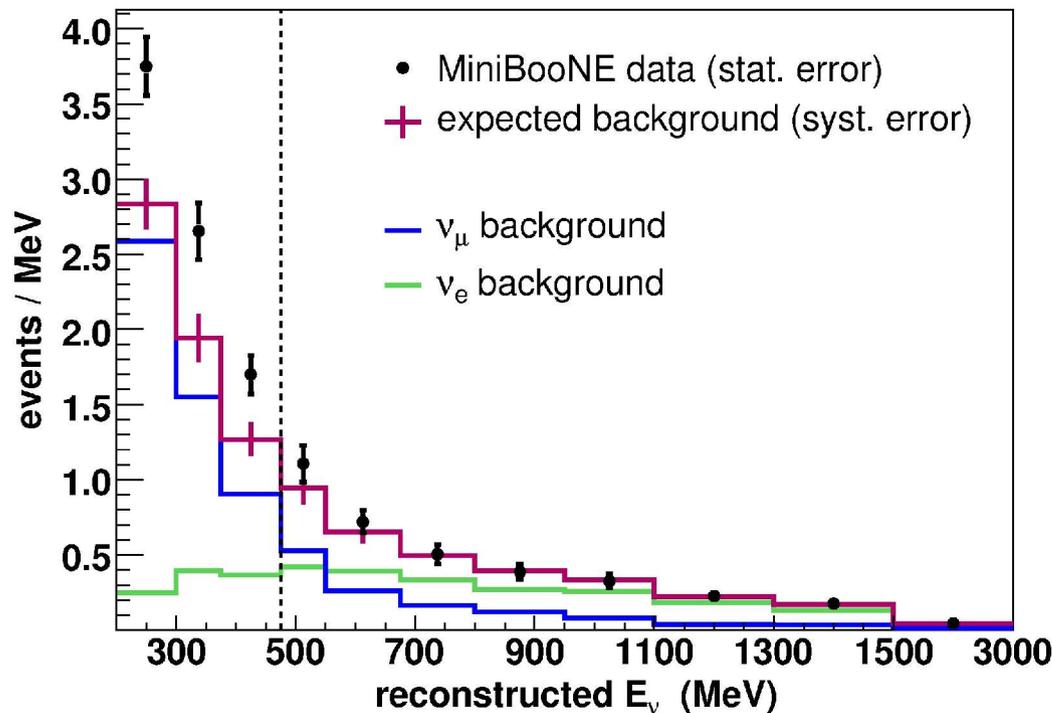
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 - MicroBooNE Status
 - Impact on the broader program
- Physics Motivation update
 - Detector design work
 - Review process

MiniBooNE Results, 2007
 Data consistent with background in
 $475 < E_\nu^{QE} < 3000$ MeV
 analysis region



Incompatible
 with the
 LSND
 experiment
 at 98% CL.

Excess below this not well
 understood



reconstructed neutrino energy bin (MeV)

	200-300	300-475
total bkgnd	284 ± 25	274 ± 21
ν_e intrinsic	26	67
ν_μ induced	258	207
NC π^0	115	76
NC $\Delta \rightarrow N\gamma$	20	51
Dirt	99	50
other	24	30
data	375 ± 19	369 ± 19
	2.5σ	3.7σ

MiniBooNE spent ~1 year to
 understand the low energy region and
 continues to see a >3 sigma excess.....

- Basic checks that events looked electromagnetic, were distributed evenly in time and space
- In depth analysis of backgrounds, uncertainties, and cuts

Some effects added to excess, some removed excess...

- Improved treatment of π flux errors
- Improved π^0 /radiative Δ analysis
- Additional hadronic processes in cross section model
- Additional cuts to remove dirt events
- New data (0.83E20 pot in neutrino mode during SciBooNE run)

Final Results

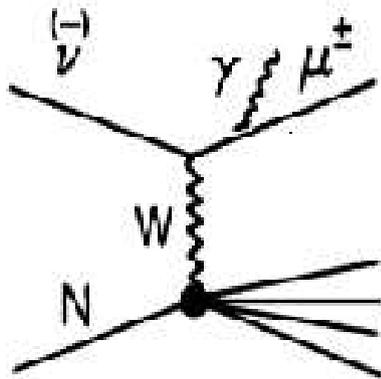
	reconstructed neutrino energy bin (MeV)	
	200-300	300-475
total bkgnd	186.8±26.0	228.3±24.5
ν_e intrinsic	18.8	61.7
ν_μ induced	168	166.6
NC π^0	103.5	77.8
NC $\Delta \rightarrow N\gamma$	19.5	47.5
Dirt	11.5	12.3
other	33.5	29
data	232	312
	1.7 σ	3.4 σ

Excess persists!

There is a range of possible explanations....

Commonplace

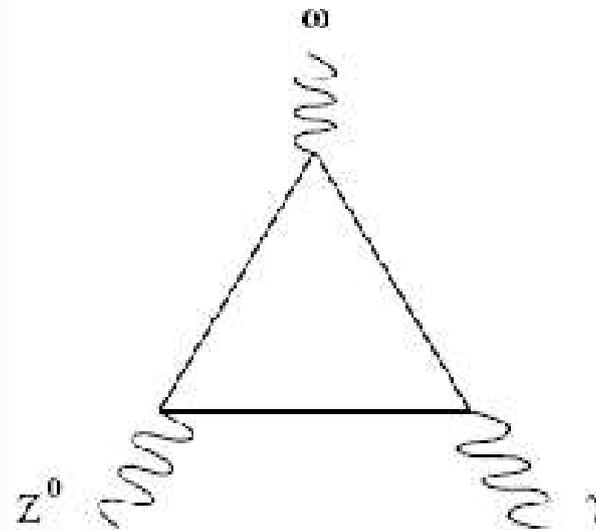
- **Muon bremsstrahlung**
(Bodek, 0709.4004)



- Easy to study in MB with much larger stats from events with a Michel tag
- Proved negligible with MB data in 0710.3897

SM, but odd

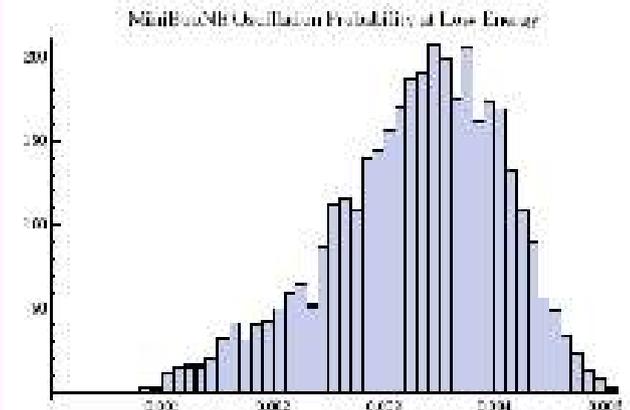
- **Anomaly-mediated γ**
(Harvey, Hill, Hill, 0708.1281)



- Still under study, nuc. effects neglected, δg_{ω}
- Has to contribute...how much?

Beyond the SM

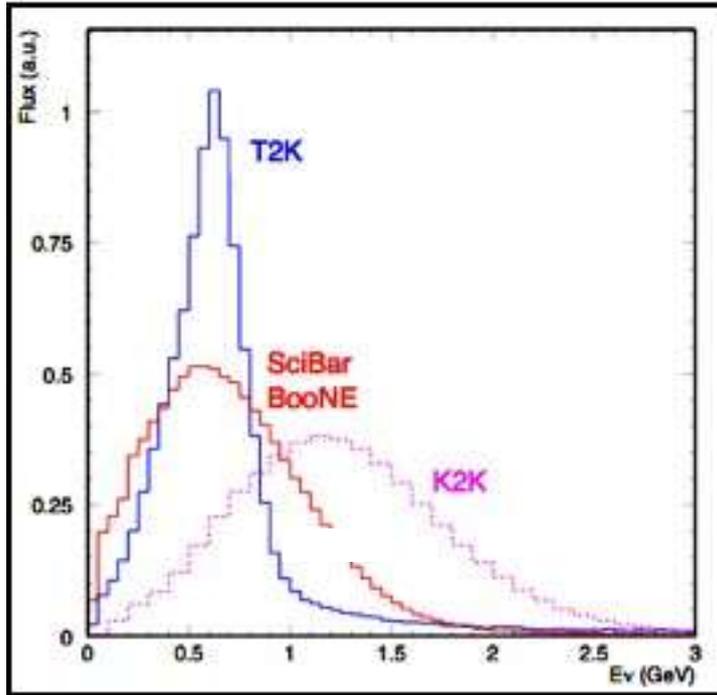
- **New gauge boson**
(Nelson, Walsh, 0711.1363)



- Can accommodate LSND and MiniBooNE
- Firm prediction for anti-neutrinos

Distinguishing electrons from gammas is key to interpreting the signal

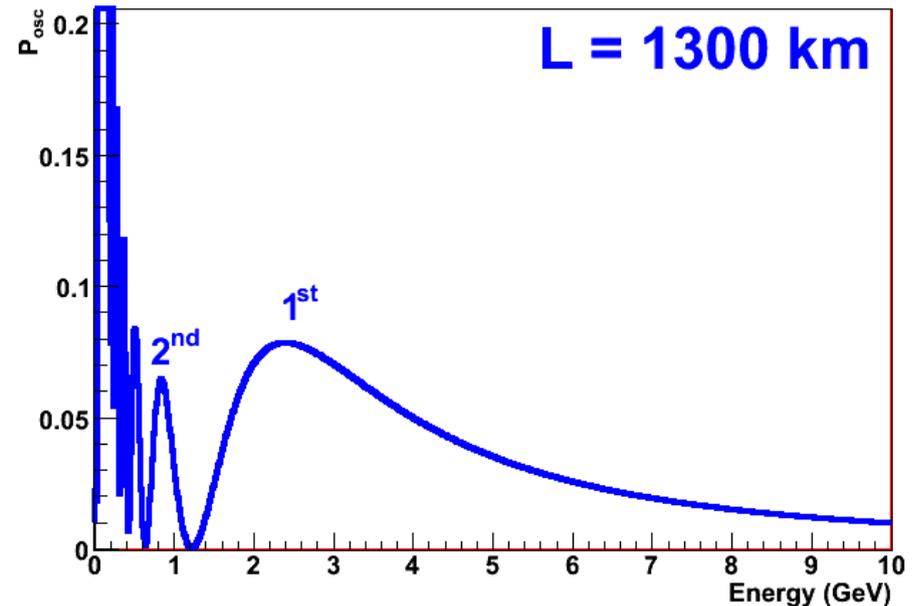
Regardless of interpretation, excess must be understood for next generation ν_e appearance measurements.



T2K experiment:

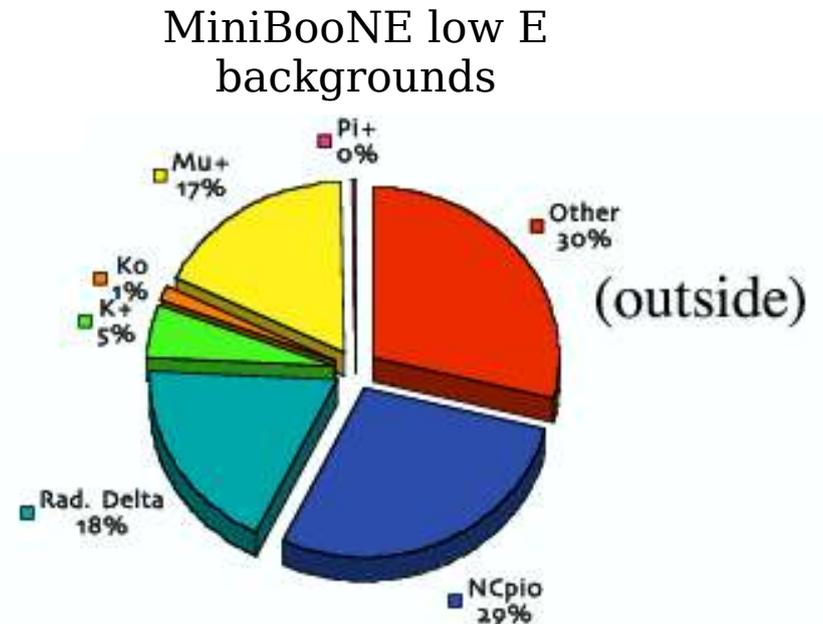
- Similar energy spectrum
- Cerenkov detection technique
- $<1\%$ oscillation probability
- excess would be a background of ~ 100 events at >100 MeV

DUSEL Long Baseline Program:
Low energy excess in region of
 2^{nd} oscillation maxima



MicroBooNE's LArTPC detection technique extremely powerful

- e/γ separation capability removes ν_μ induced single γ backgrounds
- electron neutrino efficiency: $\sim x2$ better than MiniBooNE
- sensitivity at low energies (down to tens of MeV compared to 200 MeV on MiniBooNE)



Translates to 5σ sensitivity if excess is ν_e s
 3σ if excess is γ s
in MicroBooNE's 70 ton fiducial volume

Low energy neutrino interactions:

Sizable samples contained interactions and rare interactions to make unique measurements

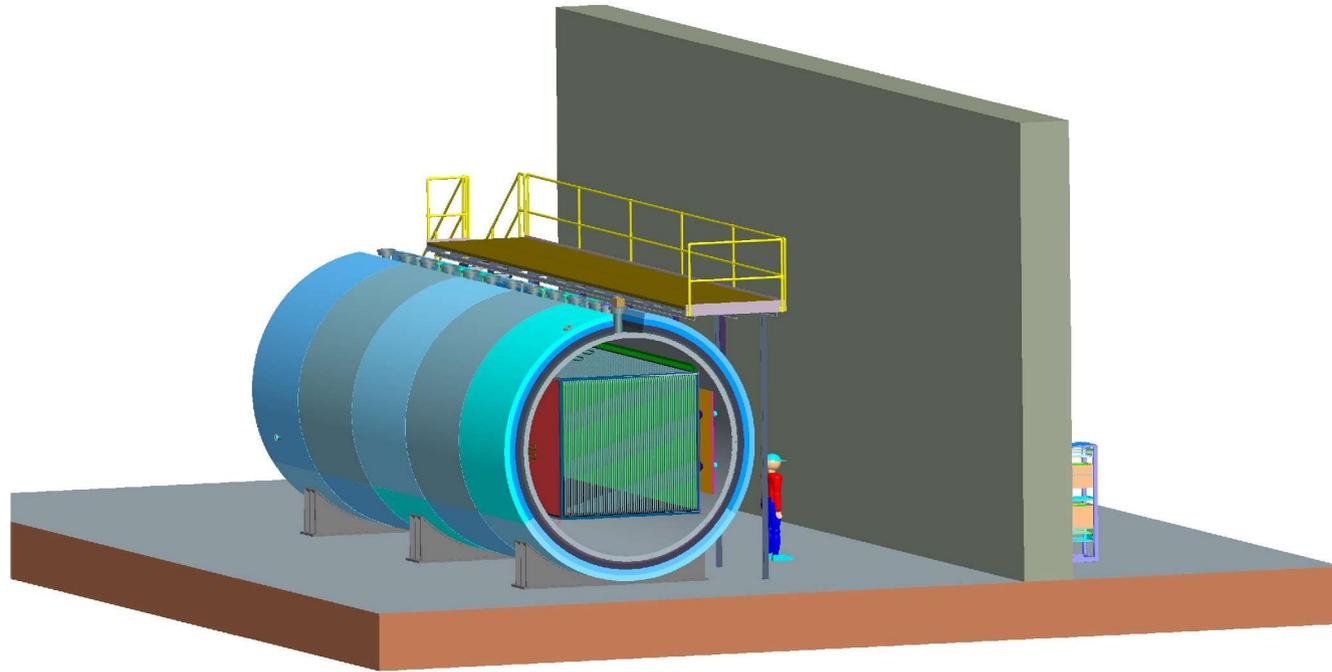
- CCQE sample: $\sim 15\text{k}$ contained events is enough to study kinematics and extract MA
- ~ 500 neutrino interactions in which a K^+ is produced with an energy and decay signature similar to Ks from proton decay
- Study of coherent pion production
- Search for anomalous photon production
- Measure photo-nuclear interactions
- ~ 170 intrinsic electron neutrino interactions
- Measurement of $N_{\text{cpi}0}$ and Delta decays at low energies

MicroBooNE design parameters:

Physics case and R&D program are driving the MicroBooNE design:

- Detector size
- TPC and PMT design
- Dynamic range and data readout
- Cryostat and Cryogenics

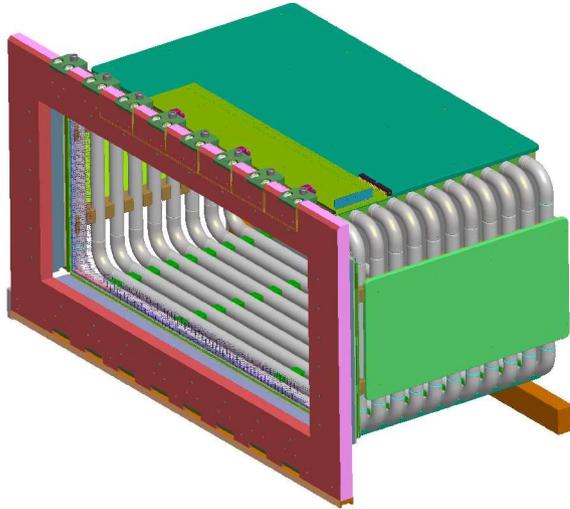
Setting these design parameters and proceeding with design work towards CD-1 in February



Detector size

- As big as possible to use MicroBooNE to learn about the next steps
- As big as possible while remaining a reasonable cost and reasonable size to construct in industry and ship to FNAL.
- The right size to be sensitive to the low energy excess and to have sizable samples for low energy cross section measurements

Active Detectors design:



Wire termination
movie goes here

Mechanical prototype (in design) to understand details of:

- Wire carrier assembly and attachment
- Wire choice and stringing and tensioning process
- Field cage and resistor chain design
- Quality Assurance checks

Other issues to be addressed:

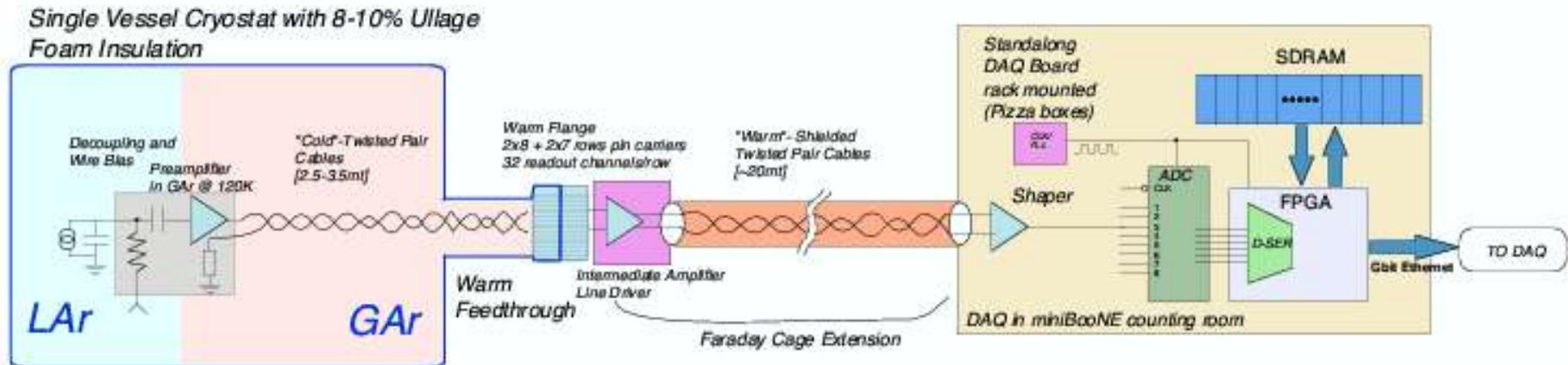
- Wire chamber frame and field cage piece size (issues related to installation for MicroBooNE and beyond)
- Wire sag of long wires over time

TPC construction and wire assembly to be done at Yale
PMT assembly and testing to be done through MIT



NSF MRI

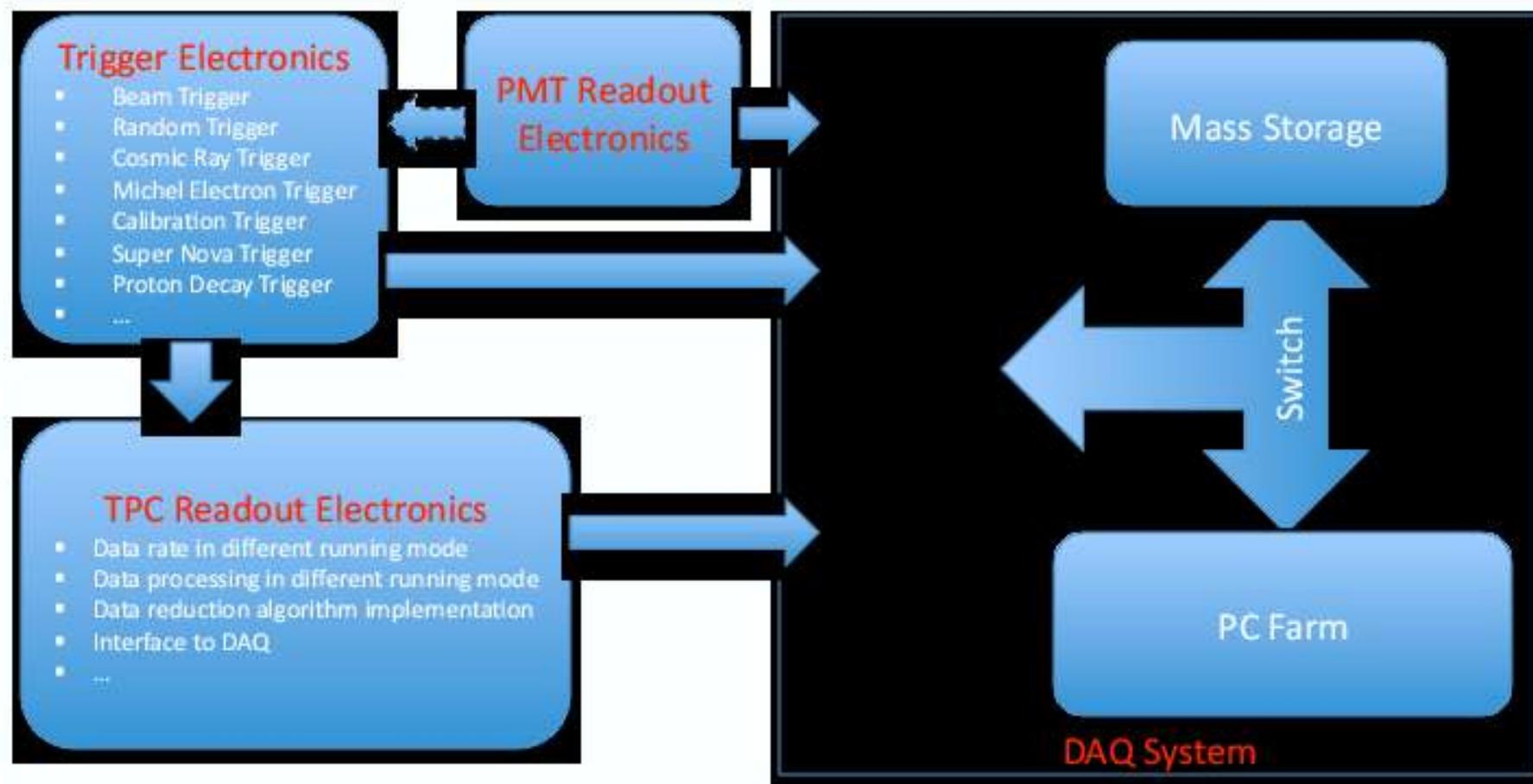
TPC Readout Scheme



- **Cold Electronics**
 - Preamplifier
 - Cold Motherboard
 - Cold Cable
 - **On-Detector Electronic**
 - Intermediate Amplifier
 - Warm Cable
 - **Readout Electronics**
 - TPC Readout Board
 - Analog Part
 - Digital Part
 - Calibration Board
 - Transmission to DAQ
 - Gigabit Ethernet
 - **DAQ**
 - Event Builder
 - DAQ Software
- Prototype
Prototype
Prototype
Layout
Prototype

Parameters driving design:
Dynamic range needed for physics goals
Data readout rate for MicroBooNE and beyond

Layout of MicroBooNE Readout System



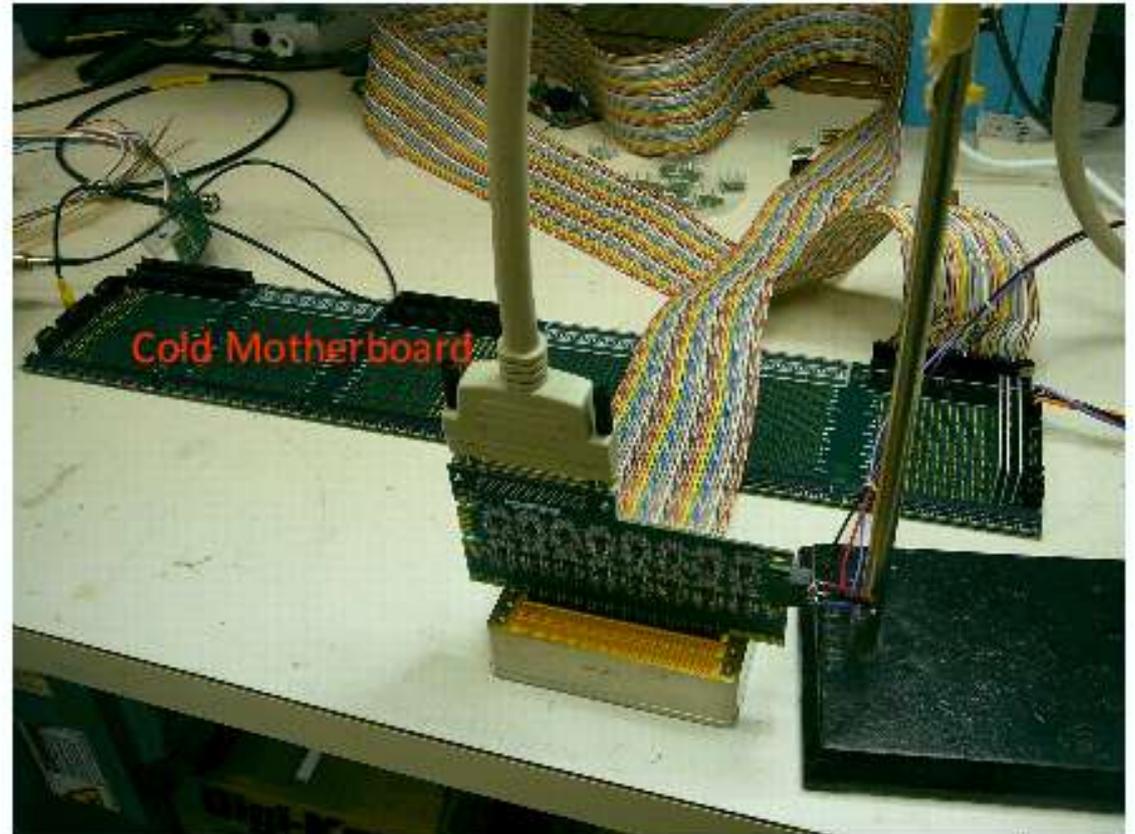
Prototype of Cold Electronics and On-Detector Electronics



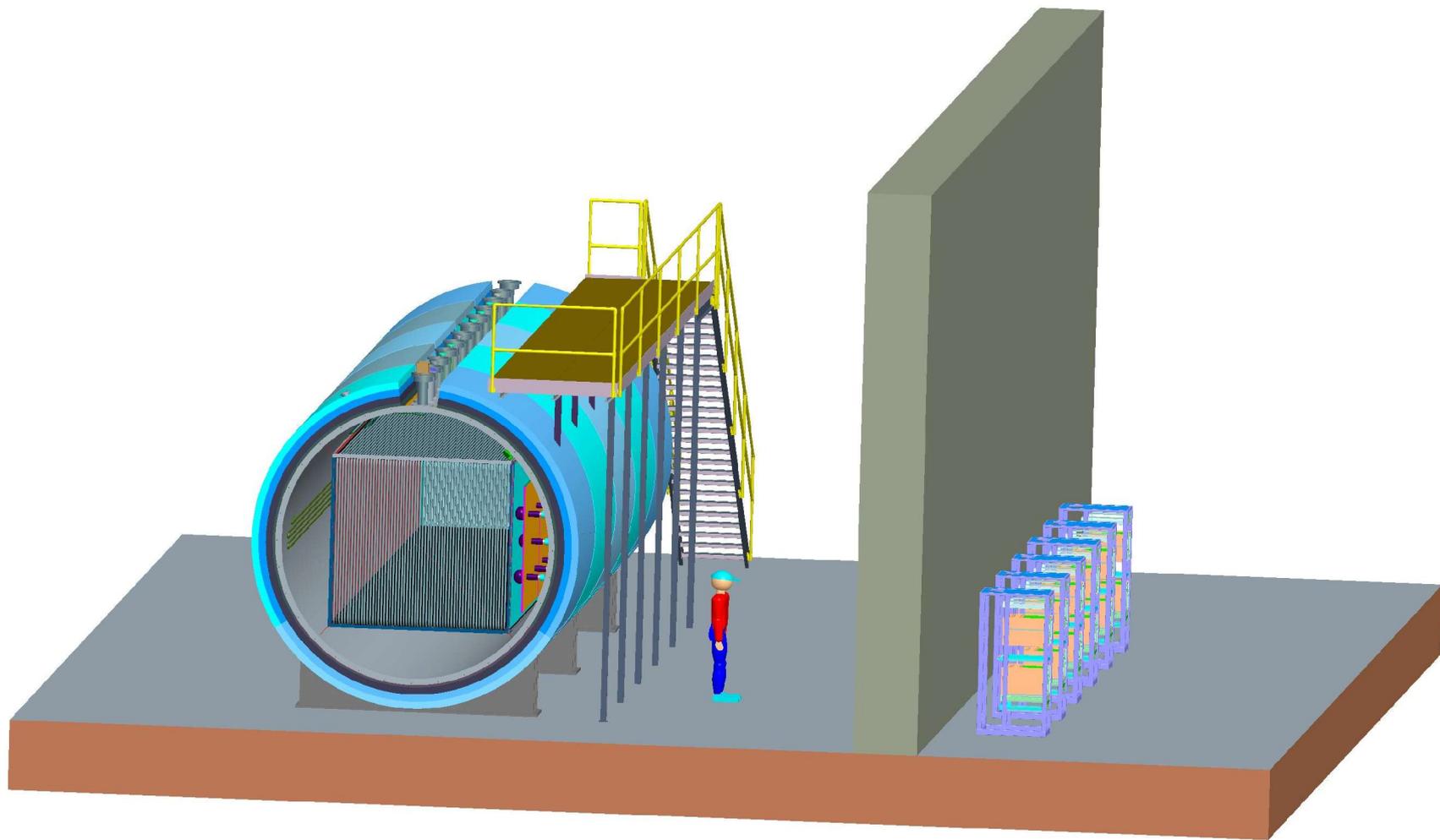
Quad Preamplifier



Intermediate Amplifier



Front End Readout Electronics Test Setup



Cryostat/Cryogenics/Purification design work continues.

*Cryogenics engineering resources are tight
Trying to augment cryogenics team with cryogenics
engineers outside FNAL/BNL*

Collaboration re-structuring to move through this design period

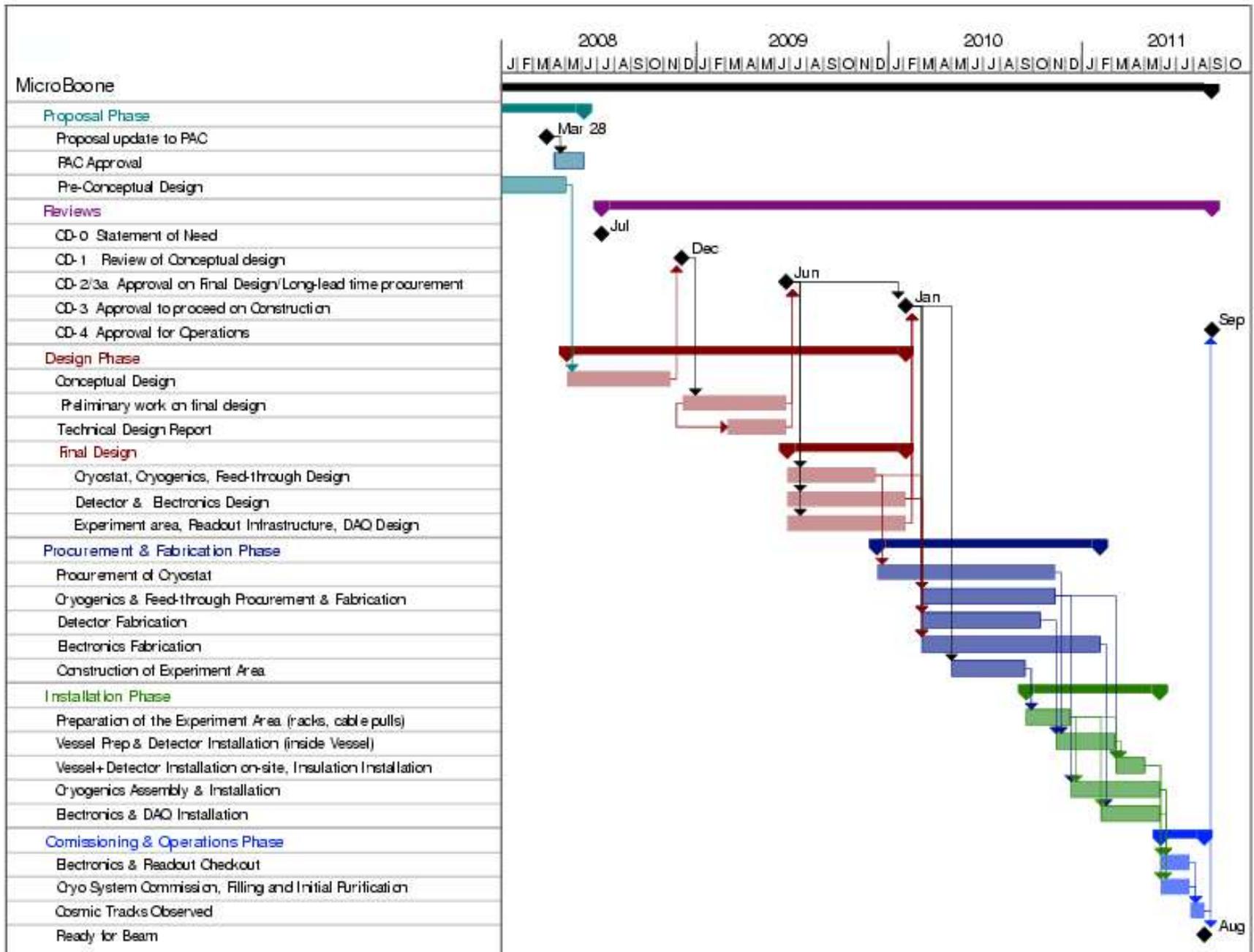
Project Manager: Cat James

Working Groups	Conveners	CAMs
Active Detectors	Bo Yu, Teppei Katori	Bonnie Fleming
Electronics	Hucheng Chen	HuCheng Chen
DAQ		
Cryostat/Cryogenics and Purification	Stephen Pordes Dave Schmitz	Brian Rebel
Beam	Sacha Kopp	Sacha Kopp
Building and Infrastructure	Cat James	Cat James
Analysis Tools	Mike Shaevitz Brian Rebel	
Physics Analysis	Janet Conrad Mitch Soderberg	

Formation of Institutional Board and bylaws

Formation of Technical Board to advise on design

Working on design and materials needed for CD-1
in February



- Concurrently working on
MicroBooNE Phase 2 R&D towards next step:
- Purity Program: MicroBooNE purge test: 6 week program to precede physics run
 - Cold Electronics development: 4 year program to develop electronics and signal multiplexing to run in LAr
 - Optimize detector design for MicroBooNE and beyond: constructability, cost scaling, value engineering

The LBL program to DUSEL is moving quickly –
Exciting time!

Need to move quickly on MicroBooNE to be ready
for this!

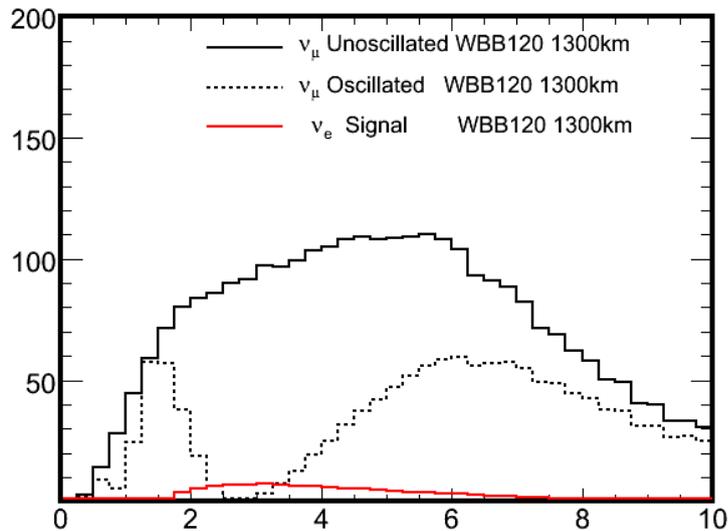
MicroBooNE
has both a physics impact on broader program
and an R&D impact on broader program

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Long baseline neutrino program: Intense neutrino beam from Fermilab to DUSEL



Look for CP Violation
in the neutrino sector



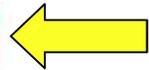
$L = 1300$ km (more matter
effect in the oscillations)

Oscillation maximum at higher
energies

Broad band beam can cover
1st and 2nd maximum

Evolution of the Liquid Argon Physics Program

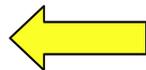
Yale TPC
Luke & Bo



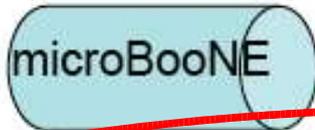
Program underway



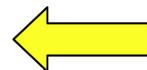
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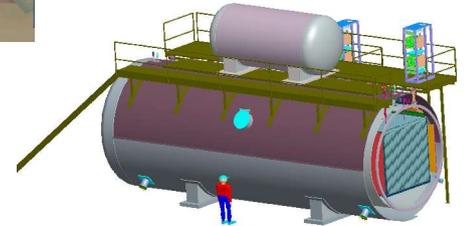
Spring 2008



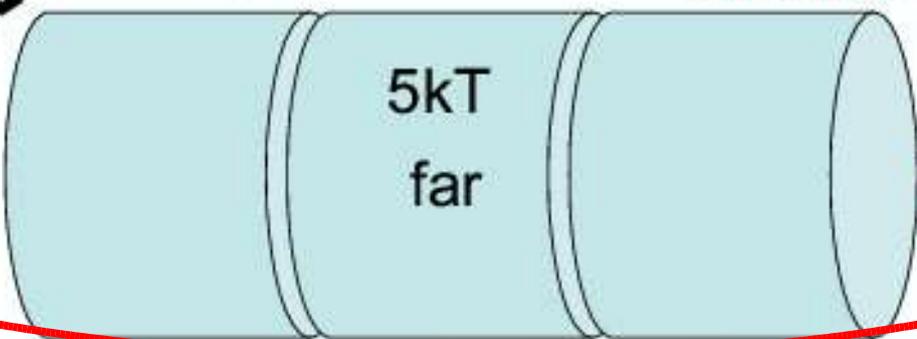
microBooNE



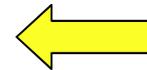
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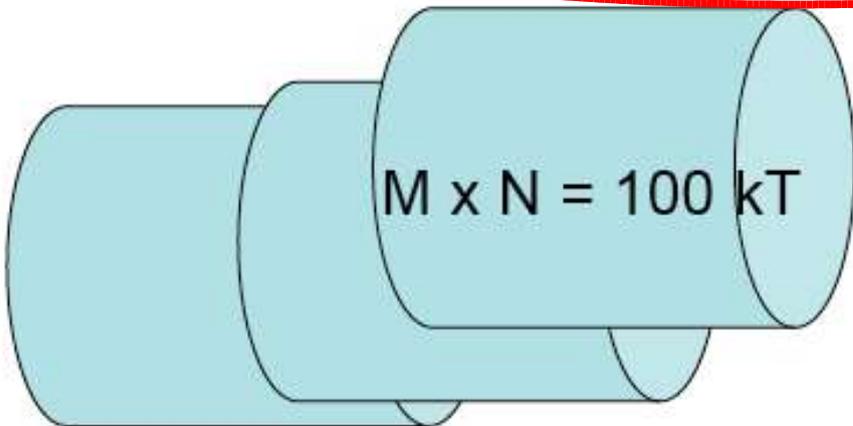
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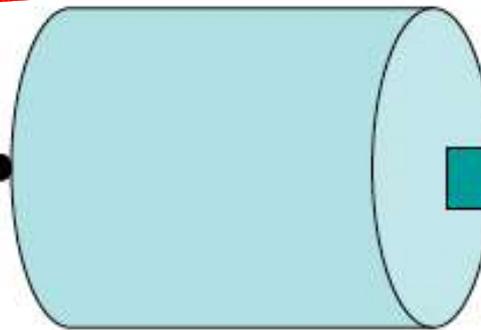
5kT
far



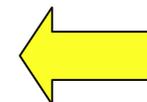
Data. ~2015-2016?



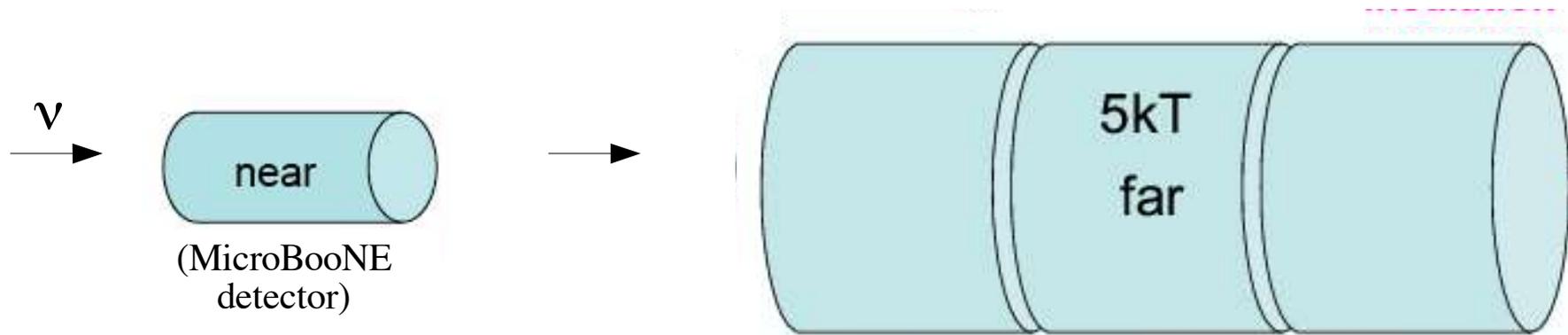
$M \times N = 100 \text{ kT}$



Physics !!!



Data 20??



DUSEL Baseline detector plan: 5+(25) ktons

First step is 5 kton

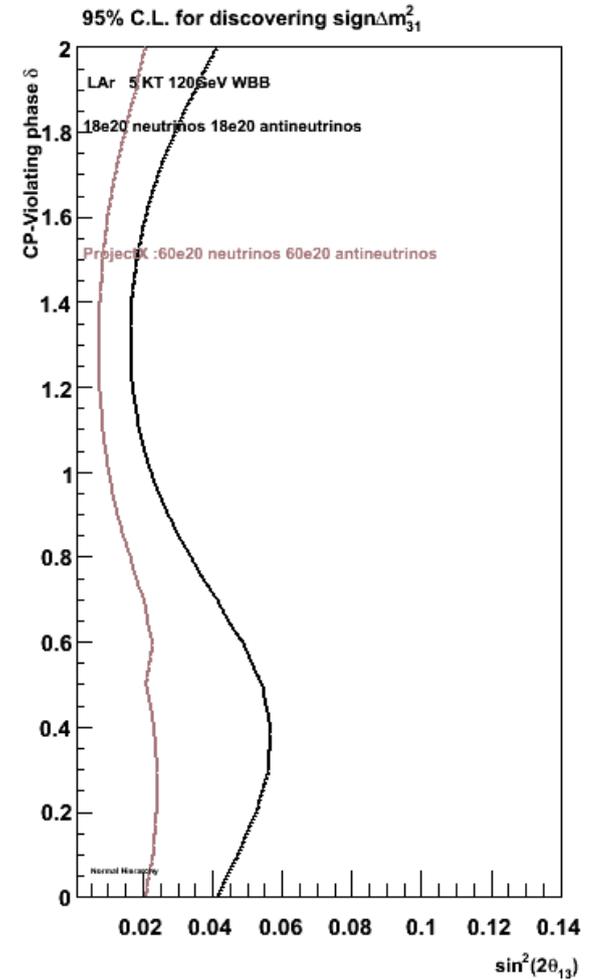
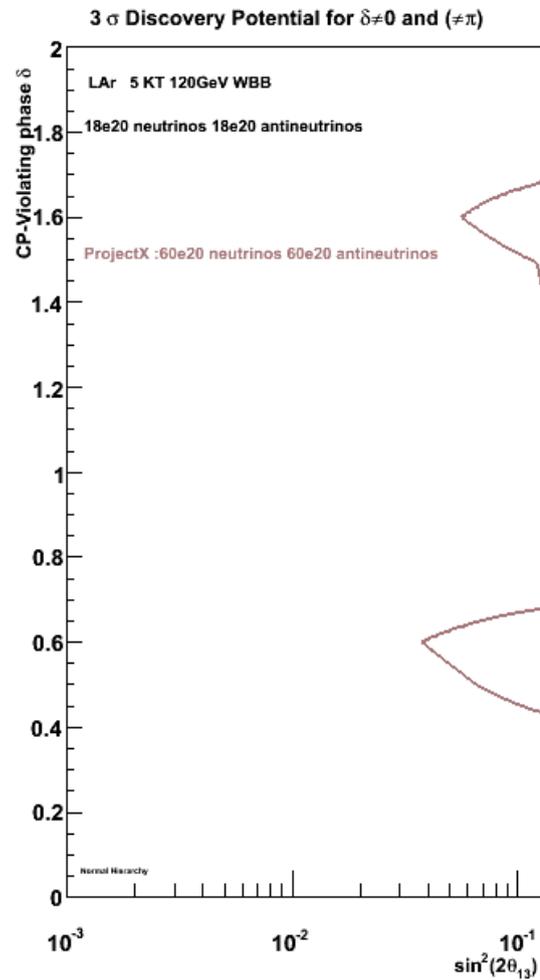
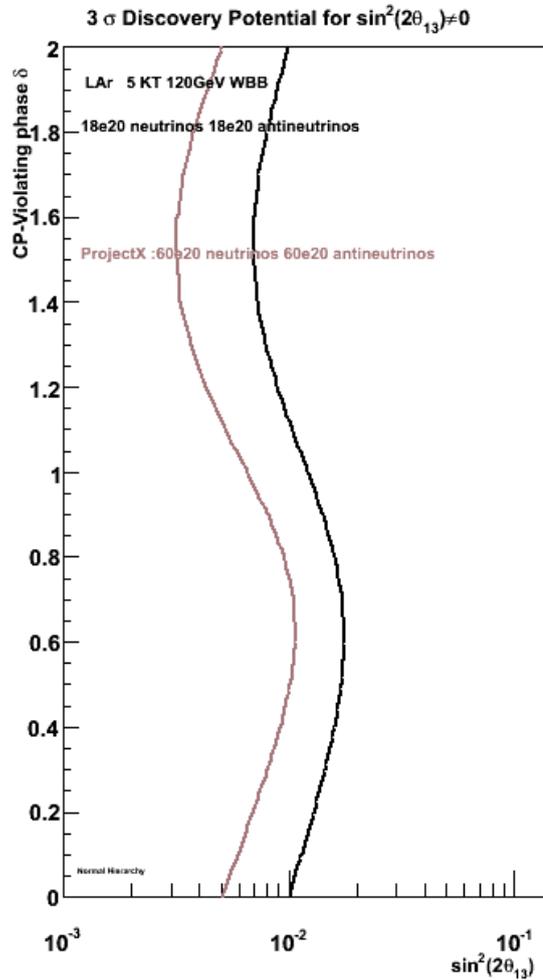
- good step in scale, cost, and physics

Next step is ~25ktons although design would be driven by what we learn in the next few steps:
(ie: can we live without evacuable vessels..)

Steps beyond this in ~30kton modules: Significant physics gain as you add more modules

Collaboration forming to drive effort on 5kton

Physics reach of 5ktons



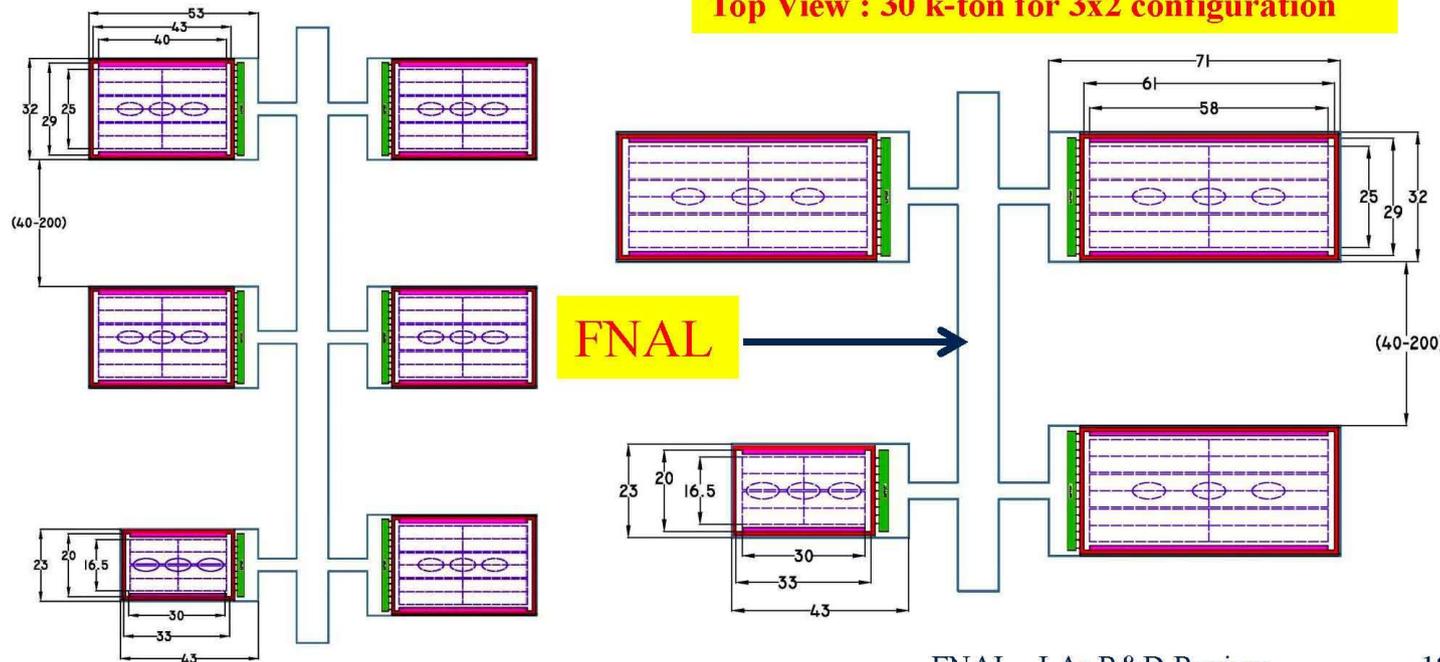
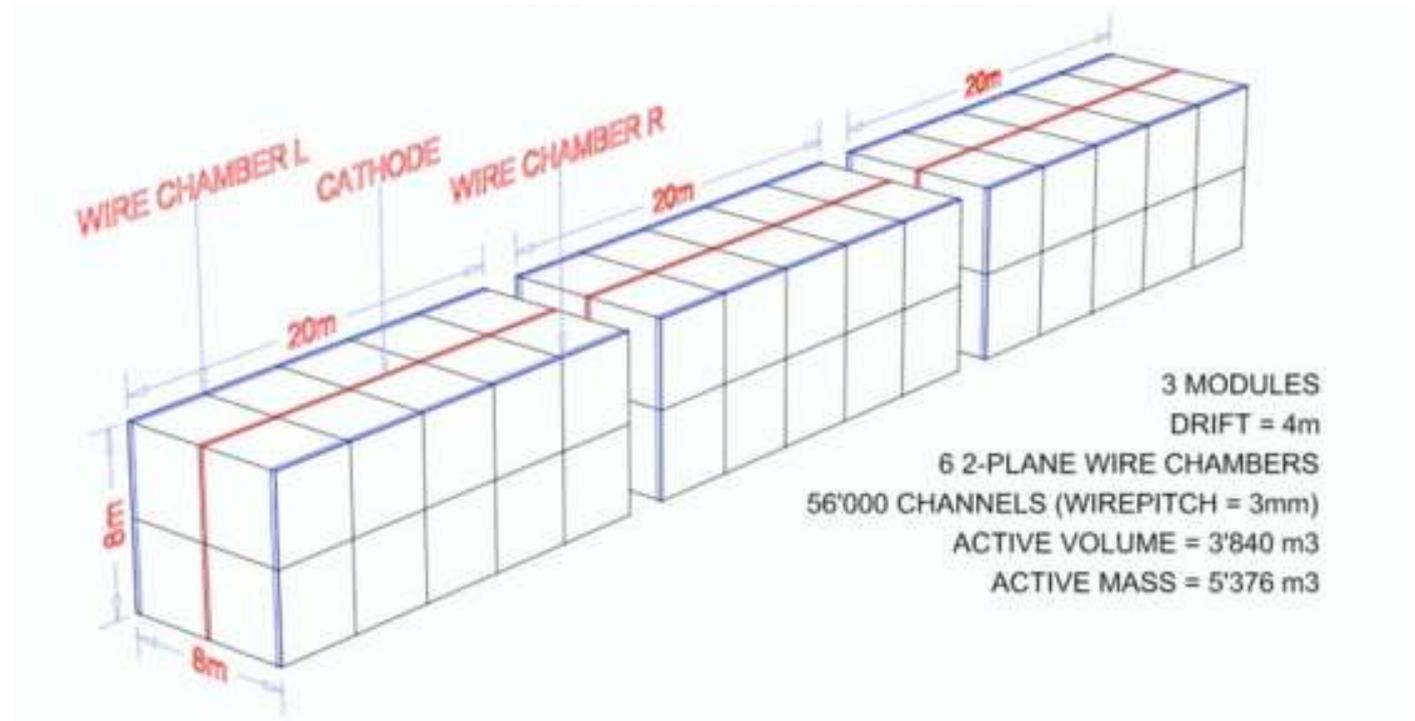
N. Saoulidou



WC efficiency = 0.14
 BG = 1.2 evts/100 kty
 Nobs = Nbg

LAr efficiency = 0.98
 BG = 0.1 evts/100 kty
 Nobs = Nbg

5kton
LAAND
Modular
Concept
(D. Cline,
F. Sergiampietri)



Microboone
like concept:
modularized
detectors

5kton + larger modules in various possible configurations..

General underground siting issues:

LAr loss: O_2 content, reduction of temperature

Mitigation:

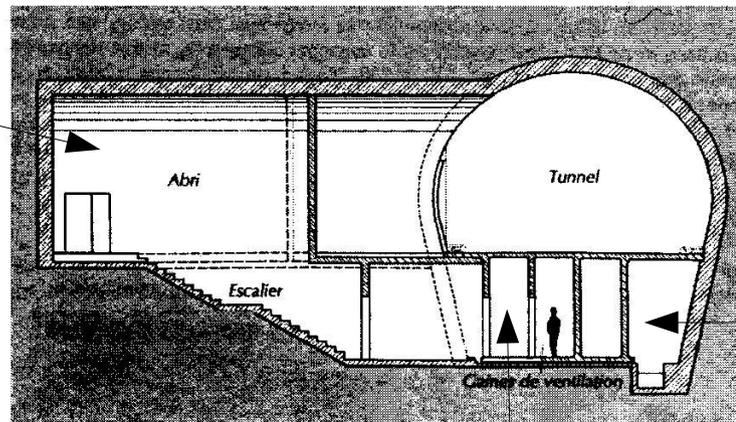
- Design: Use best cryo-techniques to minimize leaks
- Egress/Shelter: In cavern and from cavern



Mont-Blanc Safety upgrade

Refuge Shelter
with fresh air

Ventilation ducts



Experience from
LNGS industry on
bulk transport and
storage

Smoke extraction

- Ventilation: Dedicated exhaust shaft
- Freeze/thaw damage: placement and insulation

Summary:

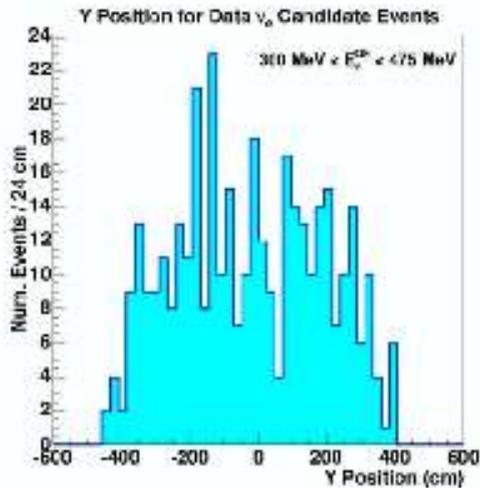
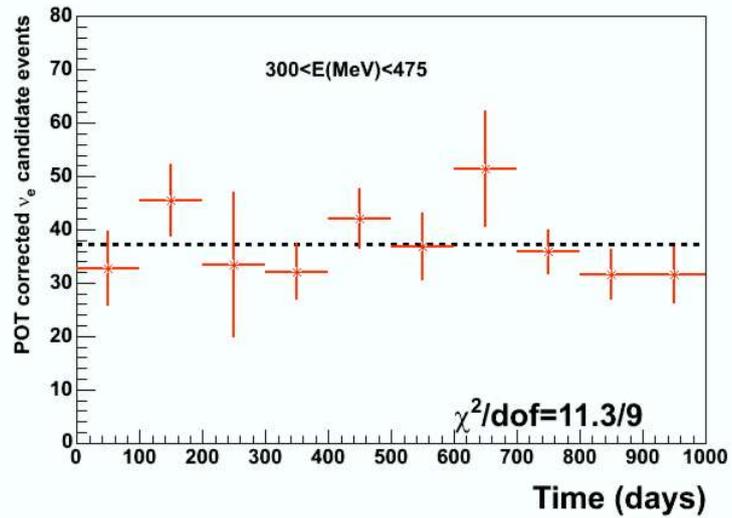
- MicroBooNE moving into design and review stage
- On track for CD-1 in February
- Cryogenics resources are tight

**Success in timescales for DUSEL depend on
an aggressive MicroBooNE Schedule!**

Backup Slides

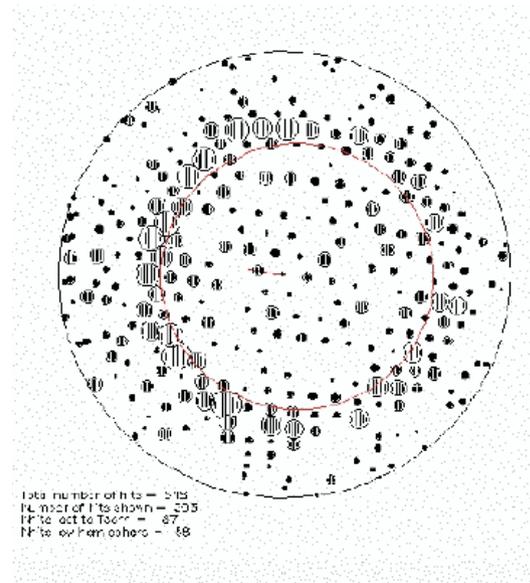
Basic checks:

Are events distributed evenly in time?



Are they distributed evenly in space?

Do the events look ring-like?



Check backgrounds and error estimates.....

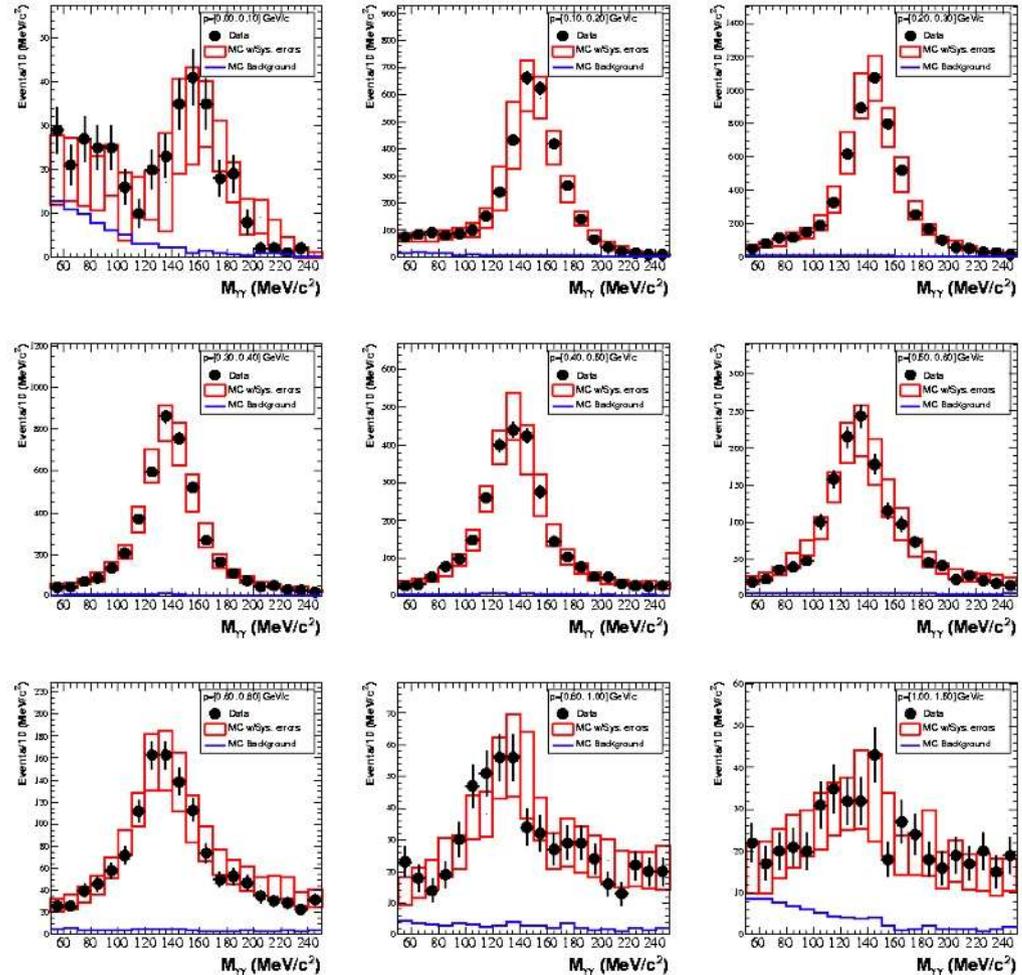
NC π^0 and radiative $\Delta \rightarrow N\gamma$ constrained by identified NC π^0 events (paper submitted to PLB, March '08)

Mis-IDs are back-to-back decays with one “weak” gamma. Mis-ID rate is driven by kinematics of π^0 decay – known to $<(1 \pm 0.1)\%$

MC tuned to match rate measurements in momentum bins

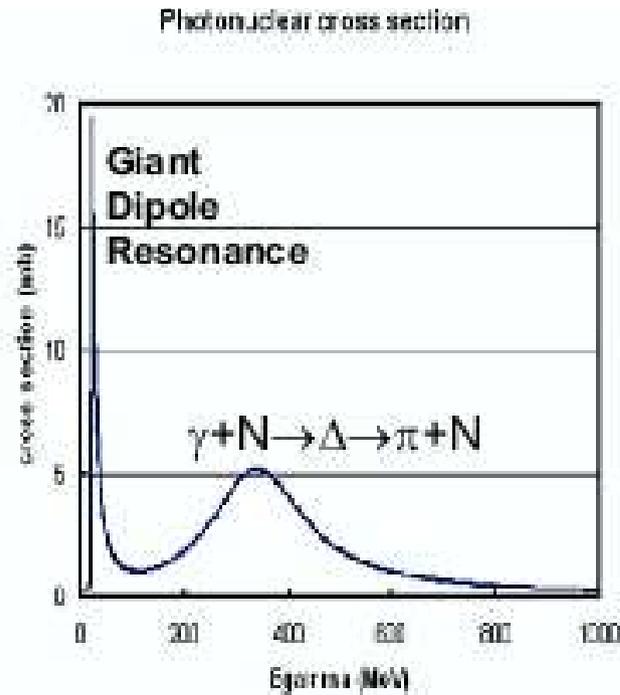
Error due to absolute rate of events, not flux or cross section errors -> robust!

Coherent rate determined from angular distributions



Rate of delta-radiative decays constrained by resonant production measurements for NC π^0 's.

Photonuclear interactions of π^0 :



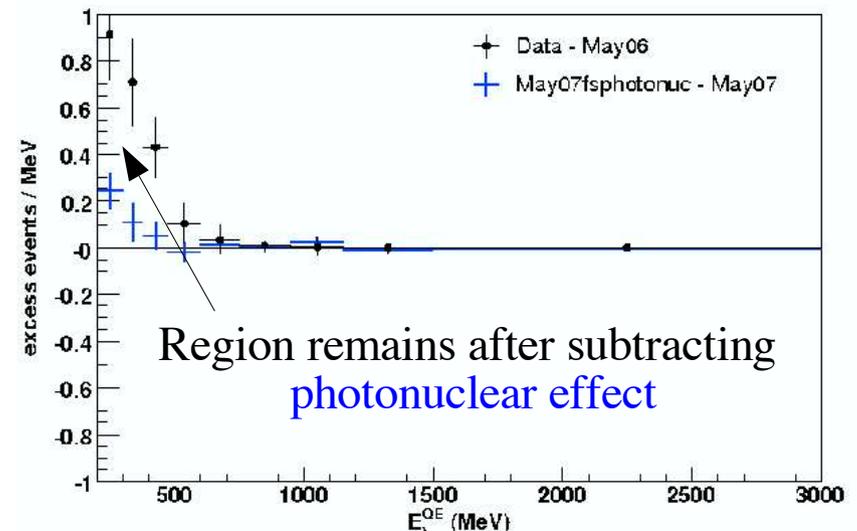
One gamma lost due to interactions with nuclei

interaction often results in other particles produced – final state interactions

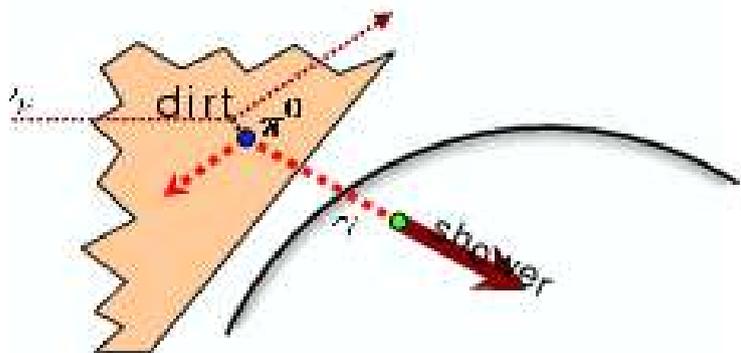
Cannot be constrained by MiniBooNE data:

Most conservative error on rate assessed to determine background

Reduces excess by
 $\sim 13\%$ at 300-475 MeV
 $\sim 27\%$ at 200-300 MeV



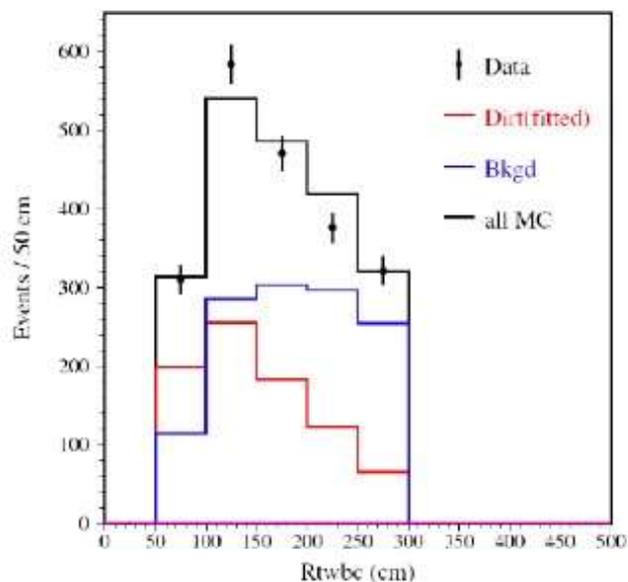
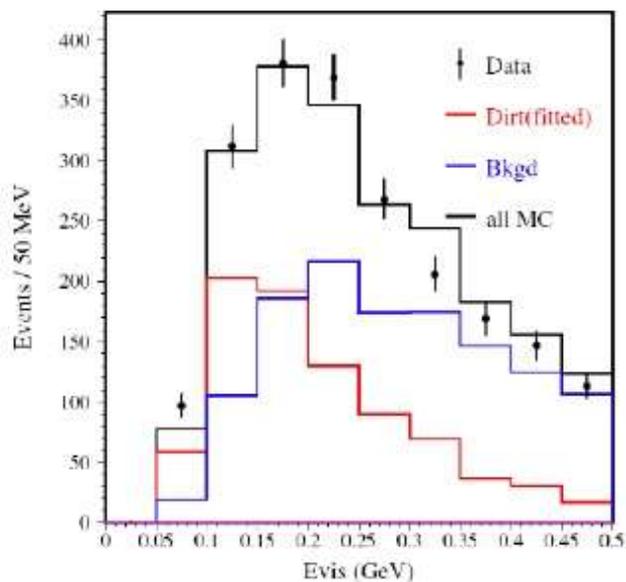
“Dirt” backgrounds



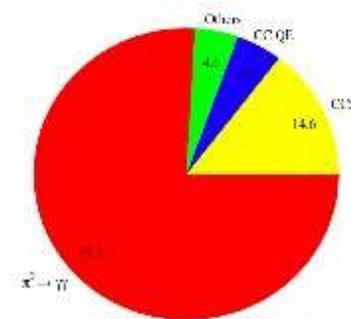
Beam neutrino interactions in dirt around detector can produce single gamma events in detector

Background can be reduced significantly with radial energy cut

Removes $\sim 85\%$ of the background at low energy



Event Type of Dirt Events



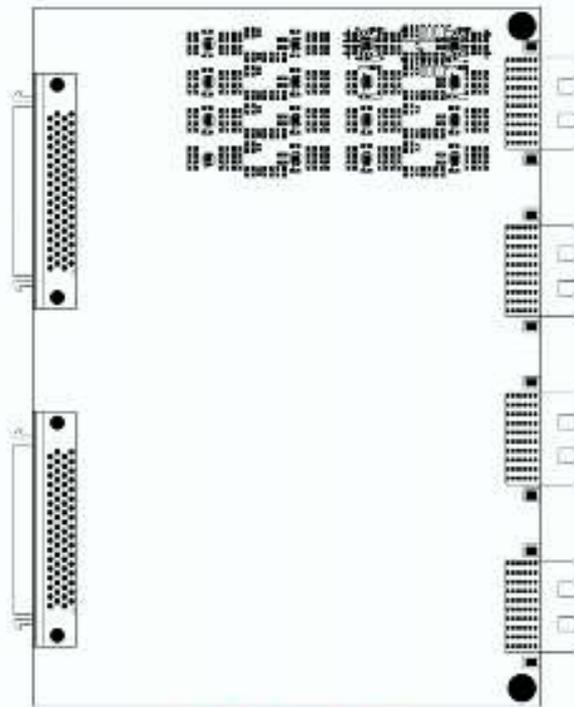
Different Exposures



		$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} \neq 0$	$\text{sign}(\Delta m_{31}^2)$	CPV
		3σ , all δ_{cp}	3σ , all δ_{cp}	3σ , 50% δ_{cp}
Water Cherenkov	300kt, 1.2MW	0.008	0.018	0.030
	300kt, 2.4MW	0.006	0.012	0.015
	600kt, 2.4MW	0.004	0.010	0.008
Liquid Argon	50kt, 1.2MW	0.007	0.014	0.018
	50kt, 2.4MW	0.005	0.011	0.010
	100kt, 2.4MW	0.003	0.008	0.003

Need $\sim 6x$ smaller LAr to obtain similar sensitivities to WCh
Small NC bkg contamination will affect LAr, in particular CPV

Prototype of TPC Readout Board



Analog Part



Digital Part