



# Neutrino Beam Instrumentation

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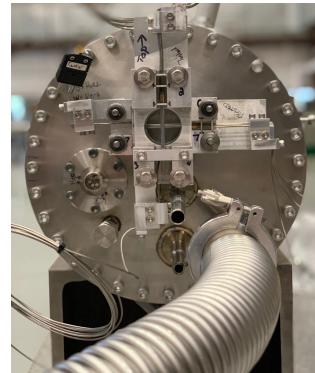
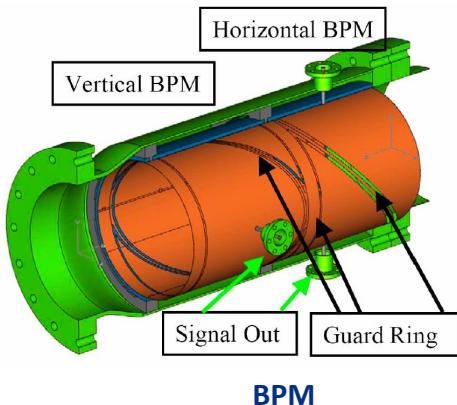
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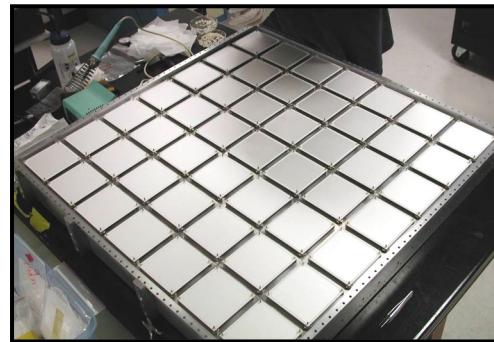
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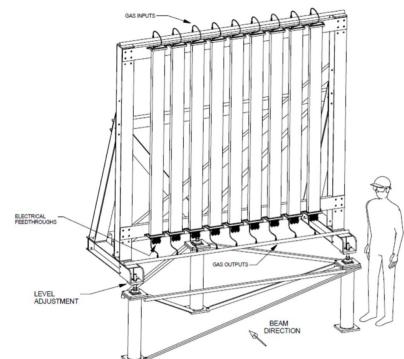
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TPT



HM



MM

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Beam  
Position

BPM  
MM  
TPT

Beam  
Angle

BPM  
MM

Beam  
Profile

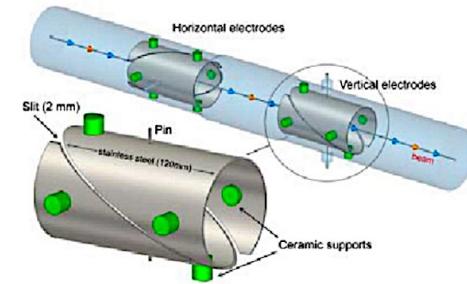
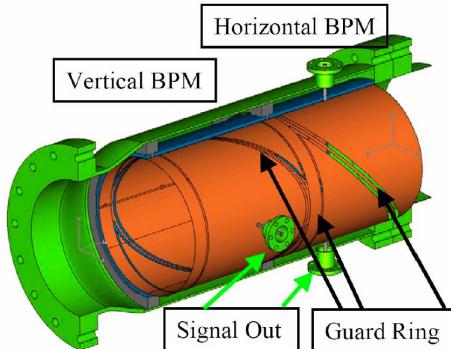
Profile  
Monitor  
(centroid,  
RMS)

Beam  
Intensity

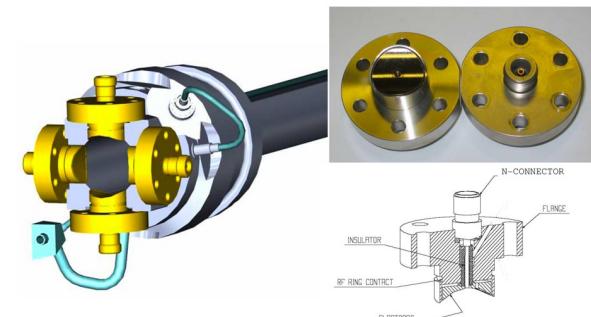
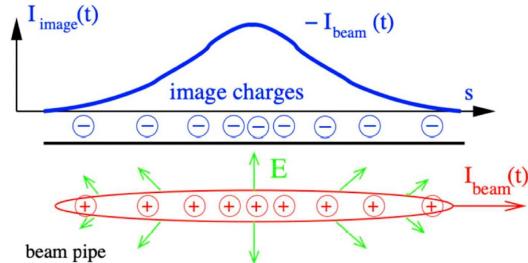
CT  
MM

# BPM

- Beam Position Monitor (BPM)
  - Observe ratio of mirror beam charge on paired electrodes
  - **Linear-cut BPM** is the default BPM for NuMI
  - **Linear-cut BPM** is applied for **autotune\***
  - **Button BPM** has curvilinear conductive region instead of a planar
  - Expect to have a good performance at high power beam operation

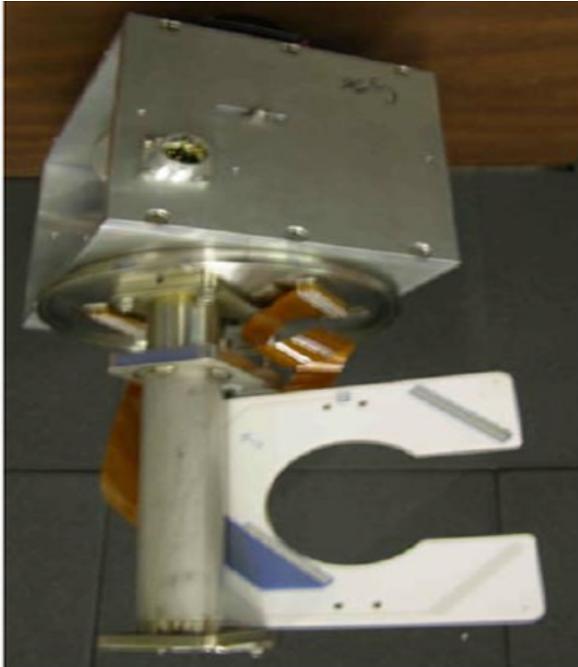


## Linear-cut BPM



## Button BPM

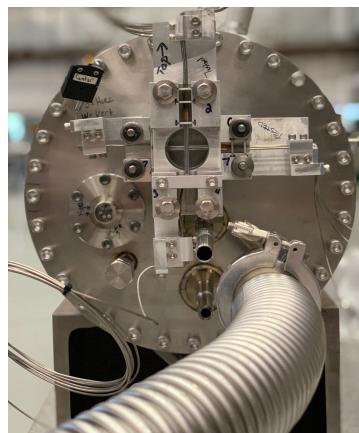
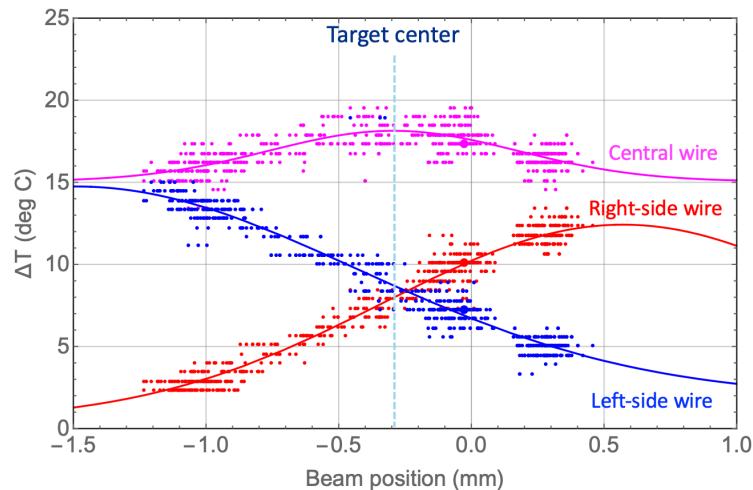
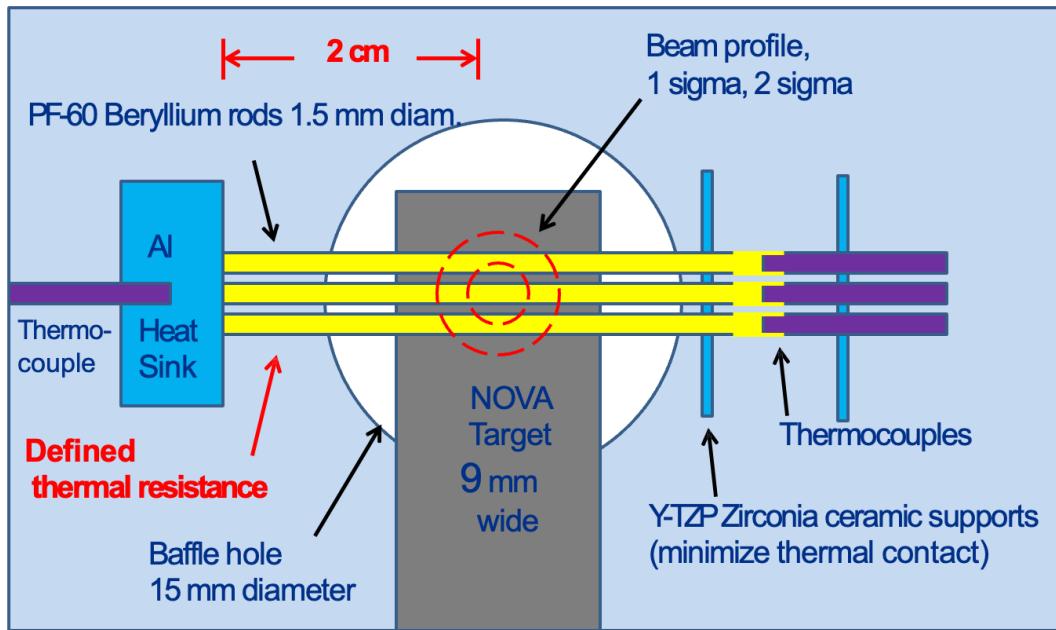
Charge distribution generated by proton beam traveling through BPM



- Profile Monitor (PM)
  - Multiwire SEM chamber
  - 47 + 47 wires to measure projection of beam profile in horizontal & vertical planes
  - It can extract **beam centroid** and **RMS beam width**
  - PM is usually removed from beam line to mitigate beam loss & beam spot size growth at PM except for PMTGT
  - PMTGT is always in

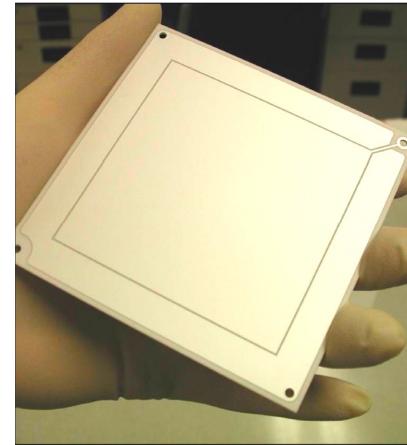
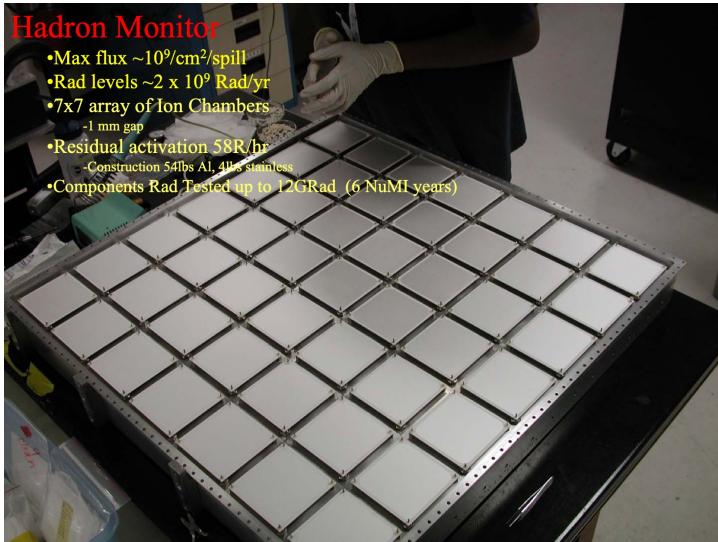
## Beam profile monitor

# Thermocouple sensor



# Hadron/Muon Monitor (Ion Chambers)

- Pixelized ion chamber (99.997 % Helium gas for ionization)
  - 5 x 5 Hadron Monitor since FY22 (NuMI)
  - 9 x 9 Muon Monitor (NuMI)



*Sense wafer, chamber side*

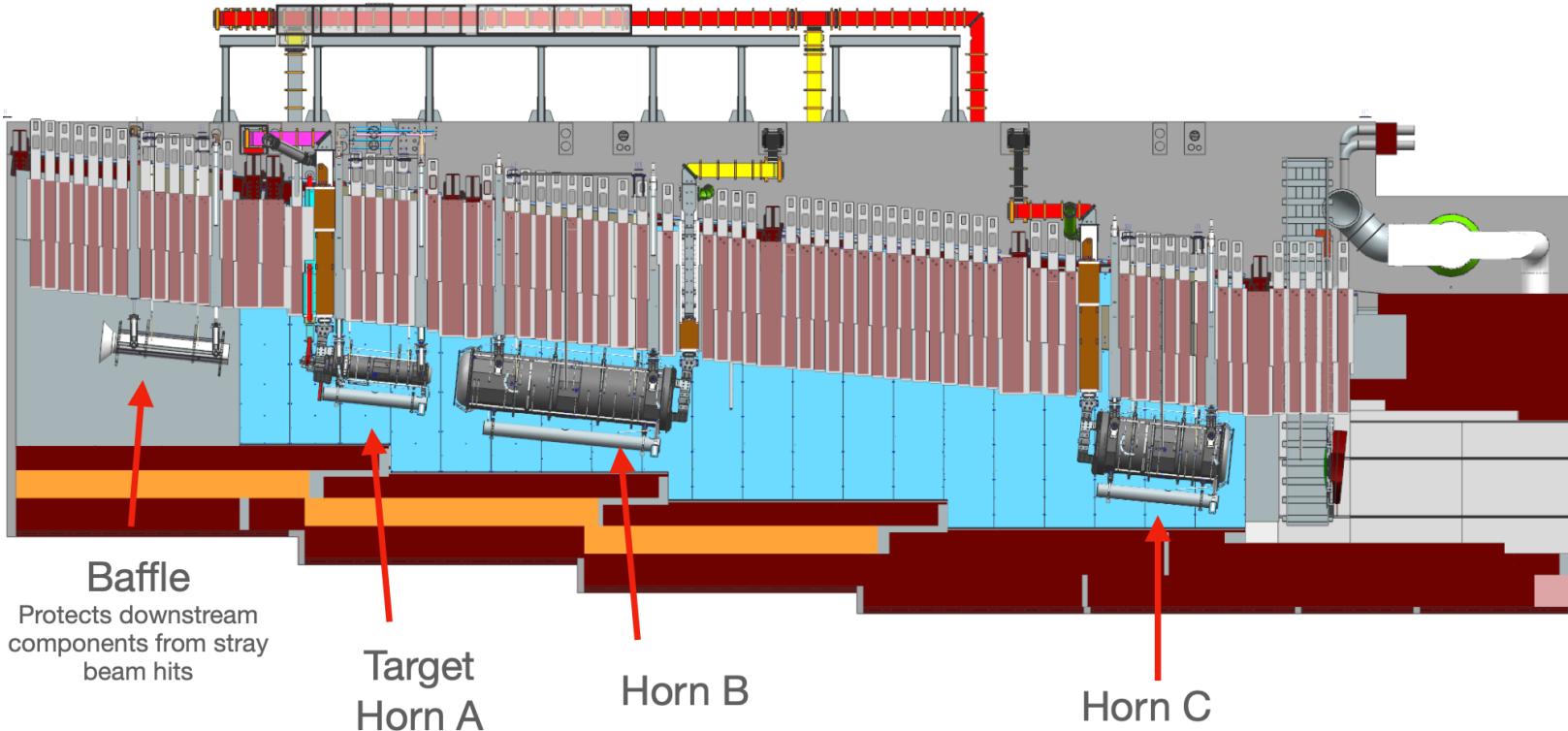
## Parallel-Plate Geometry:

- Ensures a simple and uniform signal volume
- Ionization medium: Helium gas at atmospheric pressure
  - Low charge per cm
- $10.2 \times 10.2 \text{ cm}^2$   $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  ceramic wafers
- Electrodes: Ag-plated Pt
- Corner holes for mounting
- Design includes electrical & mechanical contacts in corner holes; chamber gap varies by station

# Highlights of Talk

- Why do we need beam instrumentation
  - Constrain beam systematics
- Beam-based alignment
  - e.g., LBNF
- Near Detectors
  - e.g., LBNF
- Pico-second Detectors
- Anomaly detection
  - Application of ML

- Neutrino beam for DUNE



# LBNF Beamlne & Locations of Neutrino Beam Instrumentation

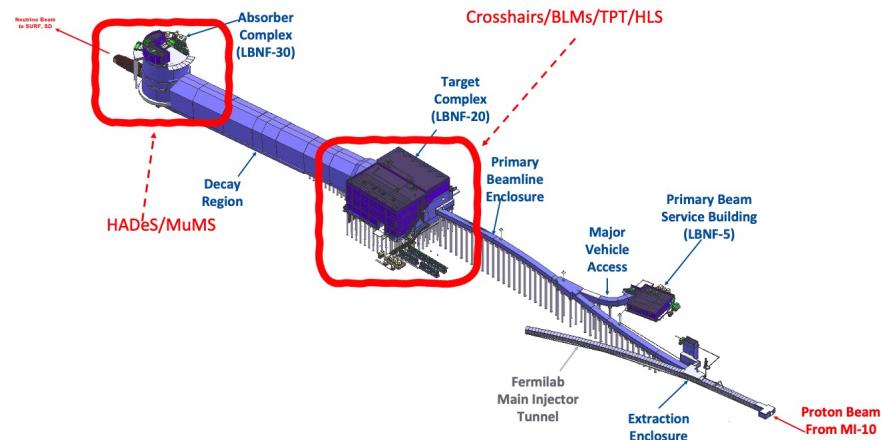
Consists of following systems

- Target complex: Crosshairs/BLMs/TPT, HLS
- Absorber complex: HADeS/MuMS

Used for beam-based alignment & monitoring neutrino beam

Upstream of target, not under purview of NBI

- Beam Position Monitors (BPMs)
- Secondary Emission Monitors (SEMs)



# Requirements of Neutrino Beam instrumentation for LBNF

- Need to keep beam systematics constrained to achieve DUNE physics goals
- Ensure a well-controlled & stable beam
- Align beamline elements within specified tolerances
- Precisely steer the beam onto target

## • Cross hairs and Beam Loss Monitors (BLMs)

- Necessary components for Beam-based alignment (BBA)

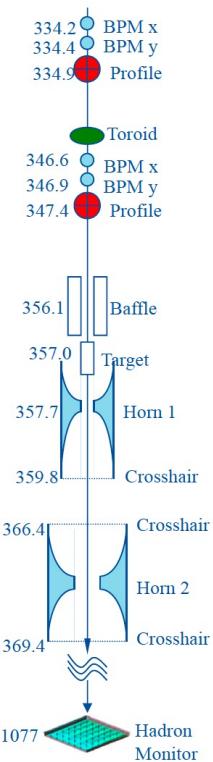
## • Target Position Thermometer (TPT)

- Used both during BBA & normal operations to secure beam on target

Quantity	1-sigma Shift	Notes	In TDR
Horn A Transverse Displacement	0.5 mm	X and Y shifted separately, added in quadrature	Y
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Horn B Transverse Displacement	0.5 mm	X and Y shifted separately, added in quadrature	Y
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Horn C Transverse Displacement	0.5 mm	X and Y shifted separately, added in quadrature	N
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Target Transverse Displacement	0.5 mm	X and Y shifted separately, added in quadrature	N
Target Transverse Tilt	0.5 mm	X and Y shifted separately, added in quadrature; upstream and downstream ends shifted in different directions	N
Horn A Longitudinal Displacement	2 mm		N
Horn B Longitudinal Displacement	3 mm		N
Horn C Longitudinal Displacement	3 mm		N
Proton Beam Transverse Position	0.5 mm	X and Y shifted separately; added in quadrature	Y
Proton Beam Radius	10%	Updated from 0.1 mm for NuMI	Y
Proton angle on target	$70\mu$ rad	X and Y shifted separately; added in quadrature	Y
Decay Pipe Radius	0.1 m		Y
Horn Currents	1%	Changed in all three horns simultaneously	Y
Baffle Scraping	1%	To Be Updated	N
Bafflelet Scraping		To Be Updated	N
Target Density	2%		Y
Horn Water Layer Thickness	0.5 mm	Changed in all three horns simultaneously	Y
Upstream Target Degradation			N
# Protons on Target			Y
Near Detector Position			N
Far Detector Position			N
Field in Horn Necks			N
Decay Pipe Position	20 mm		N

Table 1: Sources of alignment and focusing uncertainties in the neutrino fluxes at DUNE. Sources that were considered in physics studies in the TDR are marked with a 'Y' in the 'In TDR' column.

# Beam-Based Alignment Strategy



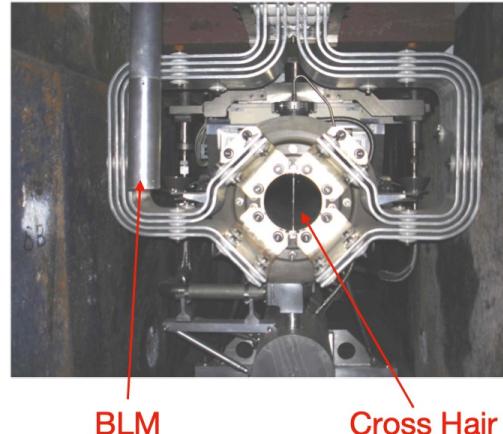
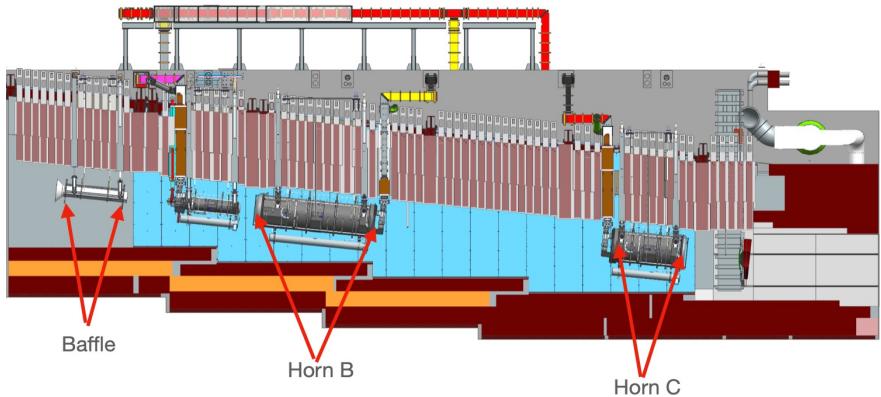
What would we like to align?

- Target & Baffle
  - Meson production varies with amount of material traversed
  - Position of production important for other optics
- Horns
  - Focusing depends on positioning and angle
- Procedure
  - Scan proton beam across known features of beamline components
    - Target & Baffle material
    - Horn neck and cross-hairs
  - Use instrumentation to correlate measured proton beam position with component features
    - Target Position Thermometers (TPT)
    - Beam Loss Monitors (BLM)
    - Hadron Monitor (HM)

# Example LBNF

## Cross Hairs & BLMs

- Upstream and downstream of each component

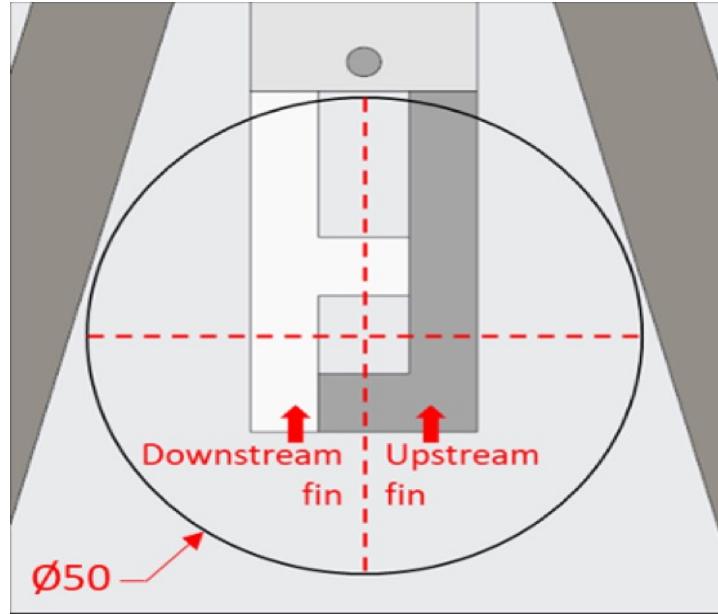
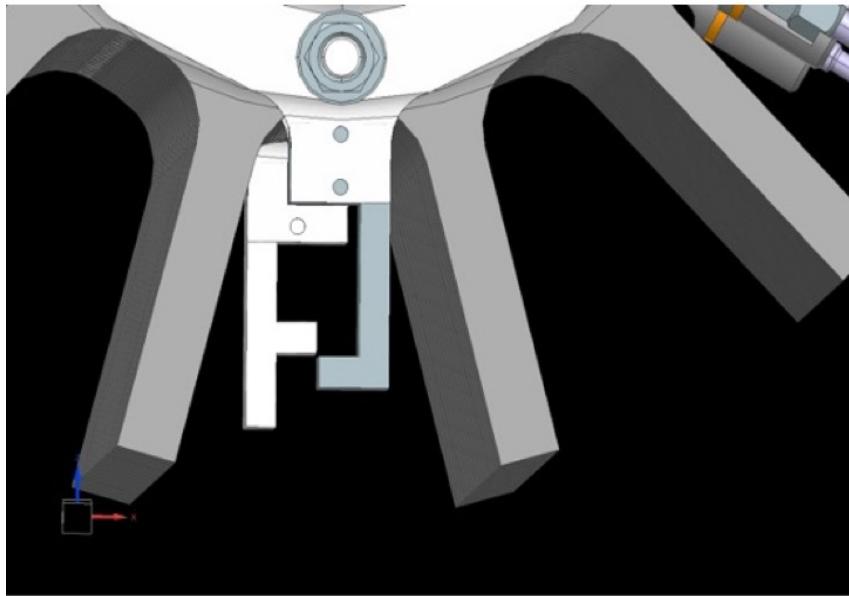


NuMI Horn

### Alignment of Baffle/Target/Horns in Beam-Based Alignment:

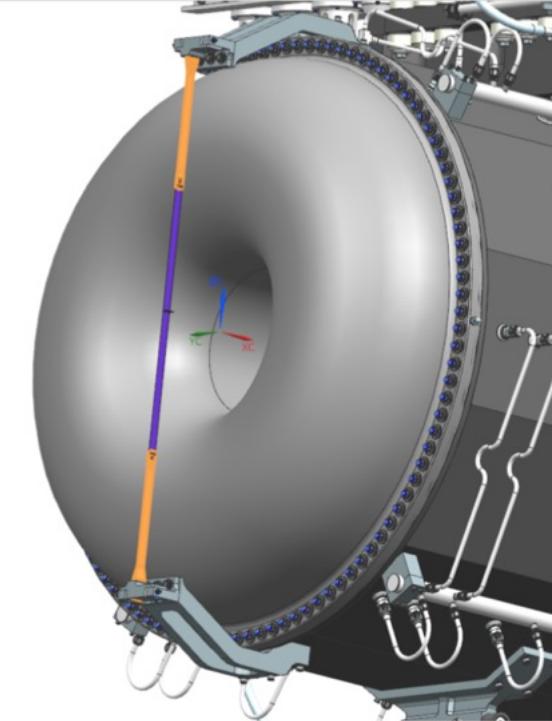
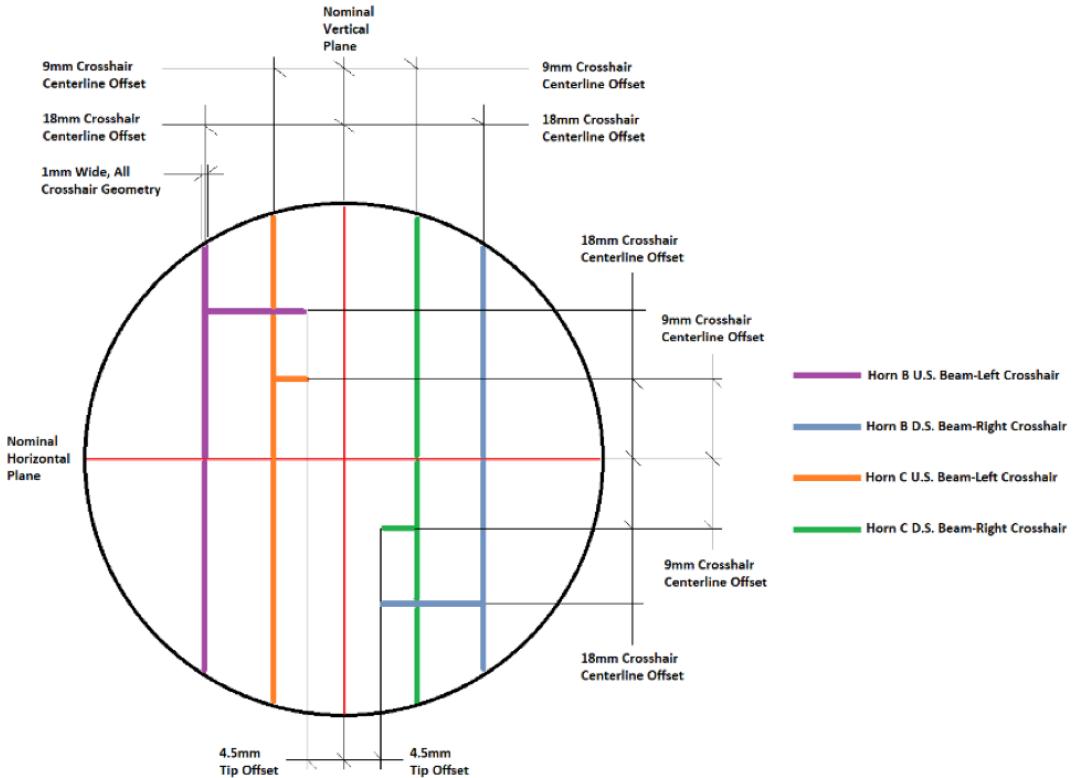
- Scan beam across known physical features to identify each element
- Utilize crosshairs at upstream and downstream ends
- Independently measure transverse misalignment of each end (horizontal + vertical)
- Use beam loss monitor to detect beam scatter from crosshairs

# LBNF Baffle Cross Hair



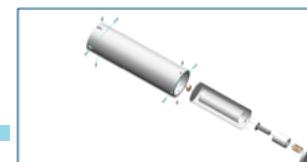
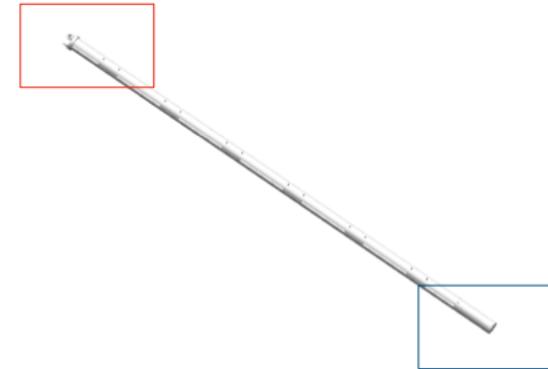
- Baffle crosshairs are positioned underneath baffle
- Cross hairs 141mm long along beam axis at upstream and downstream end
- Bars 6mm wide and at +/-7mm from beam axis when baffle in BBA position

# LBNF Horn Cross hair



# Beam Loss Monitor (BLM)

- Support structure
  - 2.7m long, 7cm diameter aluminum cylinder
  - Carries radiation-hard signal, HV, & ground wiring
  - Lower end has a cup to hold BLM
  - Upper end has support structure
- Can be inserted or pulled out of beam
- Electronics setup to give 1V per  $10^7$  particles (expectation from MC was few  $10^7$  per  $10^{12}$  protons (90% of signal current shunted to ground))

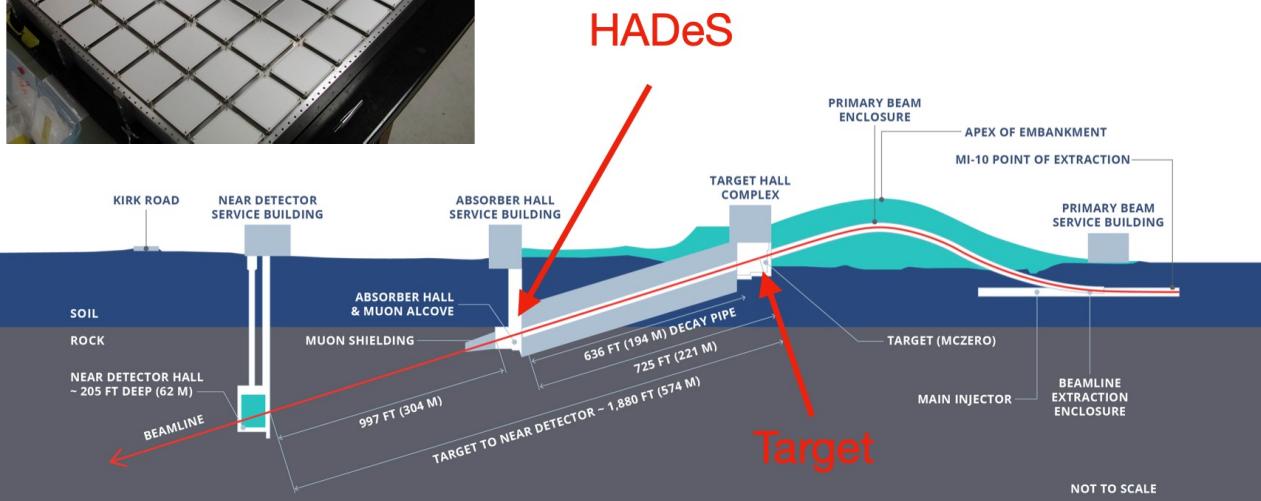


# LBNF Hadron Monitor: HADeS



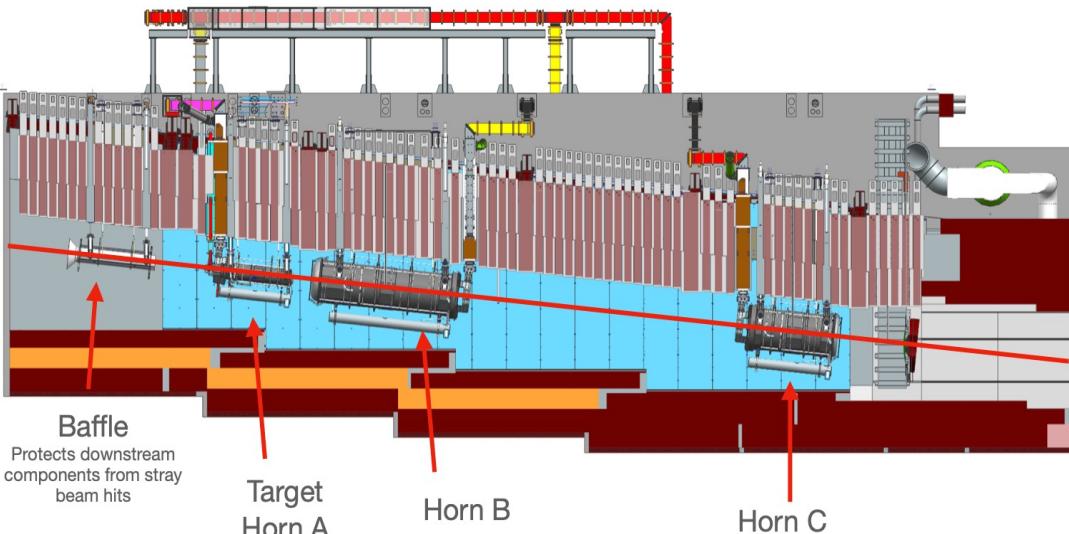
Hadron Monitor located 220m downstream of target at end of decay pipe:

- Designed based on NuMI
- Features an array of ionization chambers



# Beam-Based Alignment(BBA): LBNF

- Goal to align baffle, target/horn A, horn B, and horn C on beamline



Utilize 1 mm sigma beam spot size for scanning



Operate at low intensity and low rate



Scan beam parallel to nominal beam axis, both up/down and left/right, within +/- 25 mm



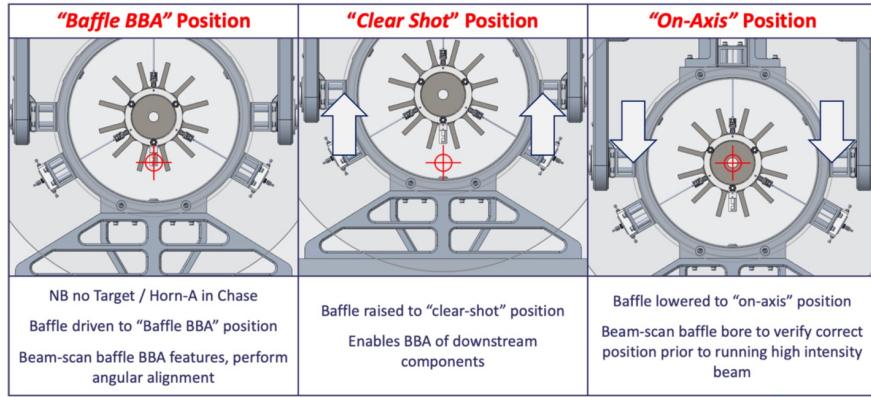
Execute in multiple steps: Beam direction, Horn B&C, Baffle, Target, and Final alignment



Employ TPT, Beam Loss Monitors, and HAdES for alignment and monitoring

# Beam-Based Alignment(BBA): LBNF

- BBA done in 6 steps
- Each step changes beamline setup &/or uses different instrumentation



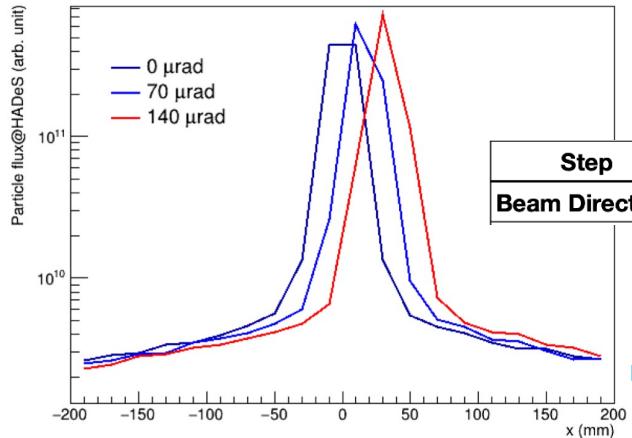
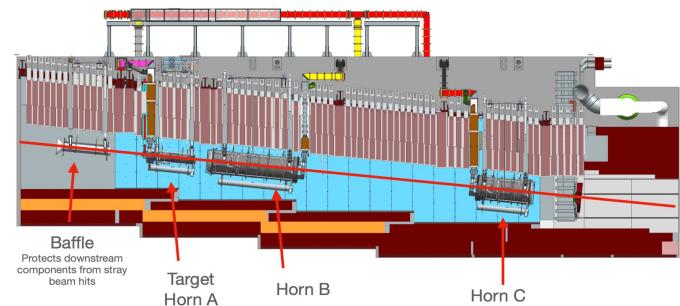
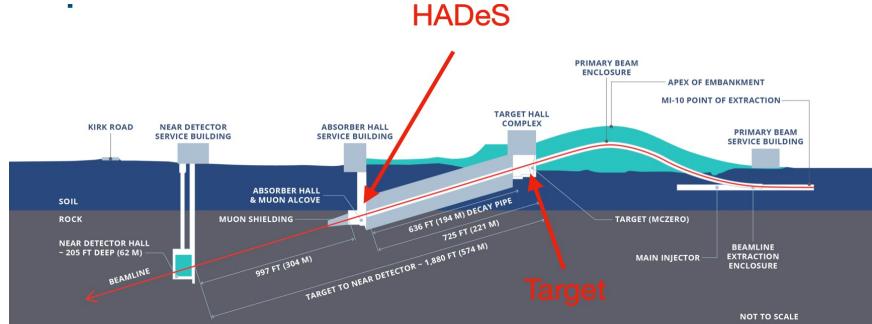
Baffle transverse position can be modified for clear shot, BBA, & "On-Axis" alignments

Step	Baffle	Target/Horn A	Horn B	Horn C	Instrumentation
<b>Beam Direction</b>	Clear Shot	Out	In	In	HADeS
<b>Horn B&amp;C</b>	Clear Shot	Out	In	In	BLMs, HADeS
<b>Baffle</b>	BBA	Out	In	In	BLMs, HADeS
<b>Target</b>	Clear Shot	In	In	In	HADeS
<b>Final (low int)</b>	On-axis	In	In	In	HADeS
<b>Final (med int)</b>	On-axis	In	In	In	TPT, HADeS

		Pulses							
	Device	Hor	Ver	Passes	Total	POT/ Pulse	Sec/ pulse	Hours	Power/ kW
<b>Beam Direction</b>	HADeS	200	200	2	800	1E+12	10	2.2	1.92
<b>Horn B&amp;C</b>	BLM	500	500	4	4000	1E+12	10	11.1	1.92
<b>Baffle</b>	HADeS, BLM	500	500	3	3000	1E+12	10	8.3	1.92
<b>Target</b>	HADeS	250	250	3	1500	1E+12	10	4.2	1.92
<b>All in (low int.)</b>	HADeS	250	250	3	1500	1E+12	10	4.2	1.92
<b>All in (med int.)</b>	TPT	7500	7500	2	30000	1E+13	1.2	10.0	208

## BBA Example: Beam Direction

- Target/Horn A out of beam
- Baffle in “clear shot” position
- Aim beam at hadron absorber, establish beam center
- HADeS requirement to measure beam position with 1.5cm precision

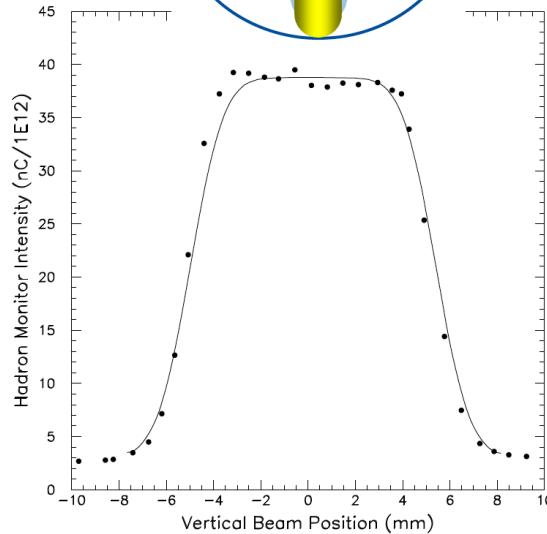
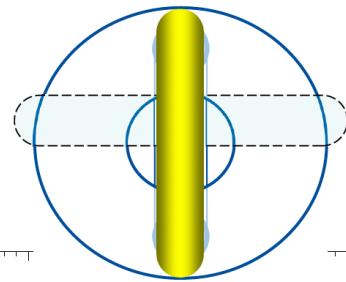
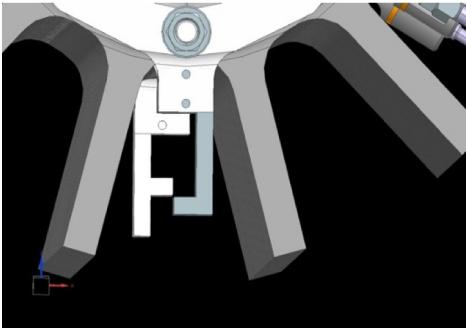


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# What do we get from HDeS & BLMs?

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- Using total signal and/or RMS in HDeS can find position of each fin

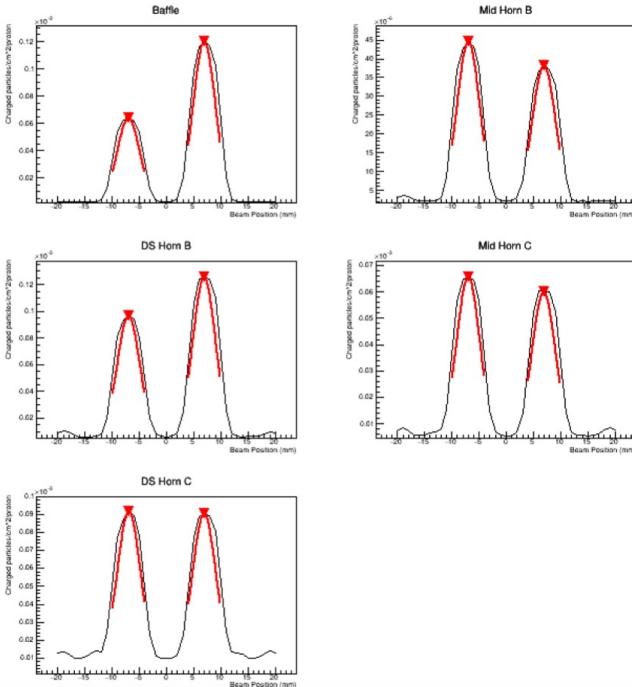
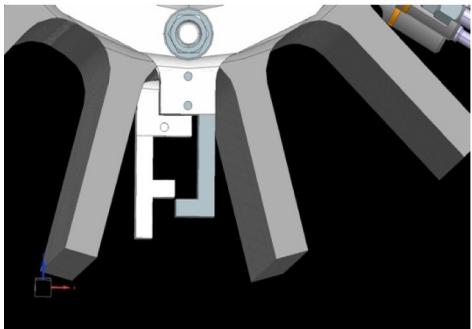


**Hadron Monitor  
Intensity  
Drops with Baffle  
absorption & scattering**

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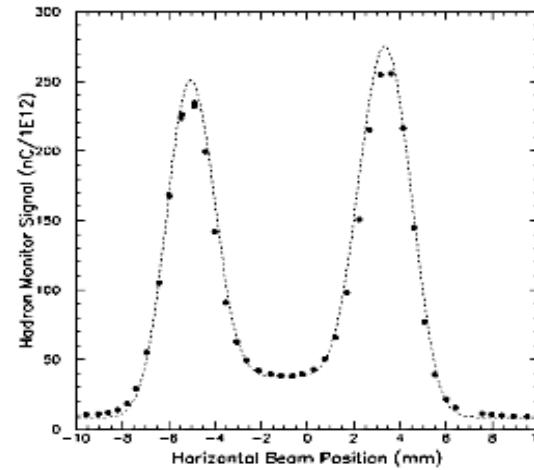
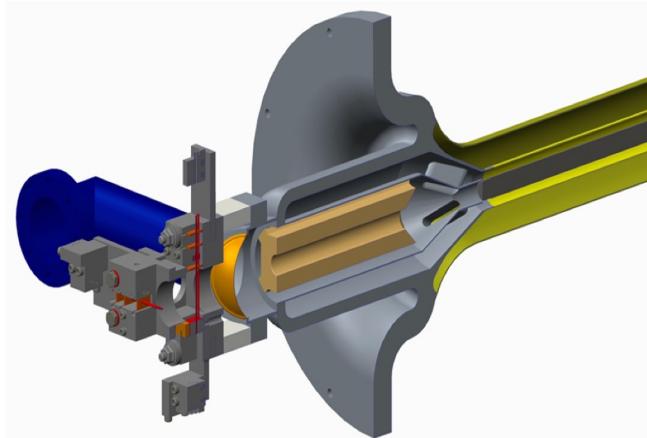


BLMs:

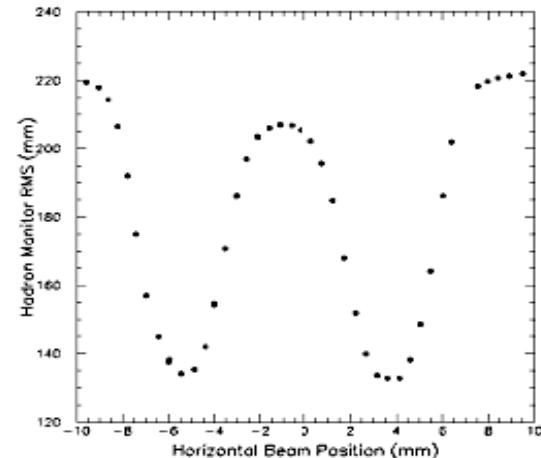
- Beam loss at specific points along beamline
- Signal is a measure of beam loss, which occurs when particles in beam interact with surrounding material and are lost (due to scattering, absorption etc.)
- Signal proportional to flux of charged particles at location of BLM

# BBA Final Scan

- Baffle moved to in beam position
- Final scan, confirm baffle position
- Confirm beam centered on target using TPT as ramping intensity

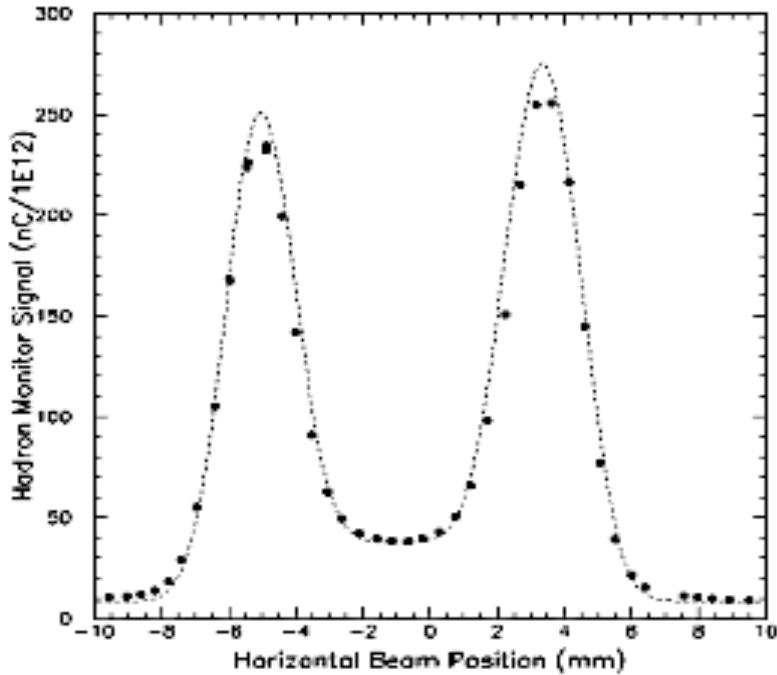


HADeS/Hadron Monitor Signal



Baffle	Target/Horn A	Horn B	Horn C
In Beam	In Beam	In Beam	In Beam

- Question
- Why do we see 2-peaks?
- Why different peak heights?



*Think, Pair, Share your answer:*

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# Detecting Neutrinos

- Challenging!
- They are invisible (no charge)
- They are extremely weakly interacting
- Mean free path of a neutrino in lead
- MeV-scale neutrino:  $d_{\text{lead}} \sim 10^{16} \text{ m}$  (over a light year of lead)
- GeV-scale neutrino:  $d_{\text{lead}} \sim 10^{12} \text{ m}$  (still almost a trillion miles of lead)
- What about a GeV-scale proton?  $\sigma \sim 10^{-25} \text{ cm}^2$
- GeV-scale proton:  $d_{\text{lead}} \sim 10 \text{ cm}$

$$d_{\text{lead}} = \frac{1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}}{(\sigma_{\nu\text{-N}} \text{ m}^2)(11400 \text{ kg/m}^3)}$$

atomic mass unit

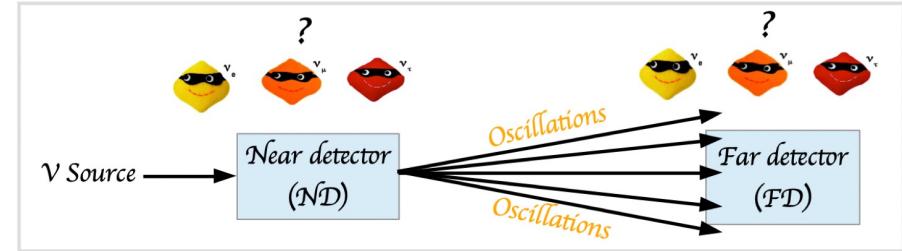
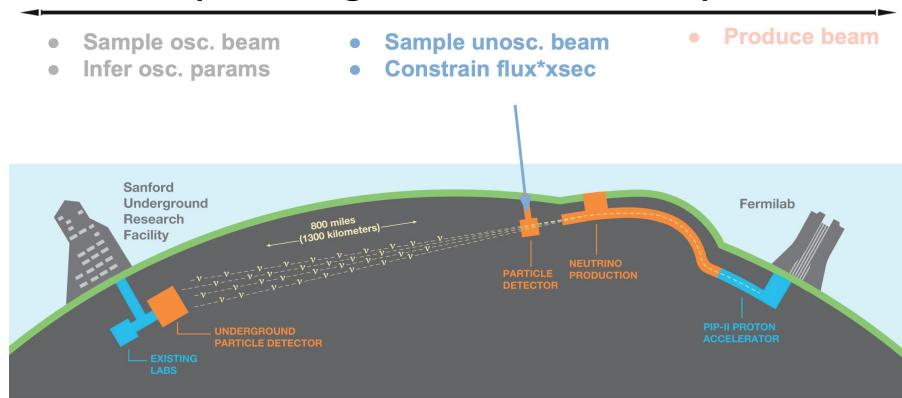
$\nu\text{-N cross-section}$

density of lead

- Generate Neutrinos in Abundance: Aim to produce a substantial number of neutrinos within a well-defined area
- Employ Dense, Large, and Sensitive Material: Utilize materials that are exceptionally dense, big, and highly sensitive to neutrino interactions

# Typical Oscillation Experiment

## The Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment

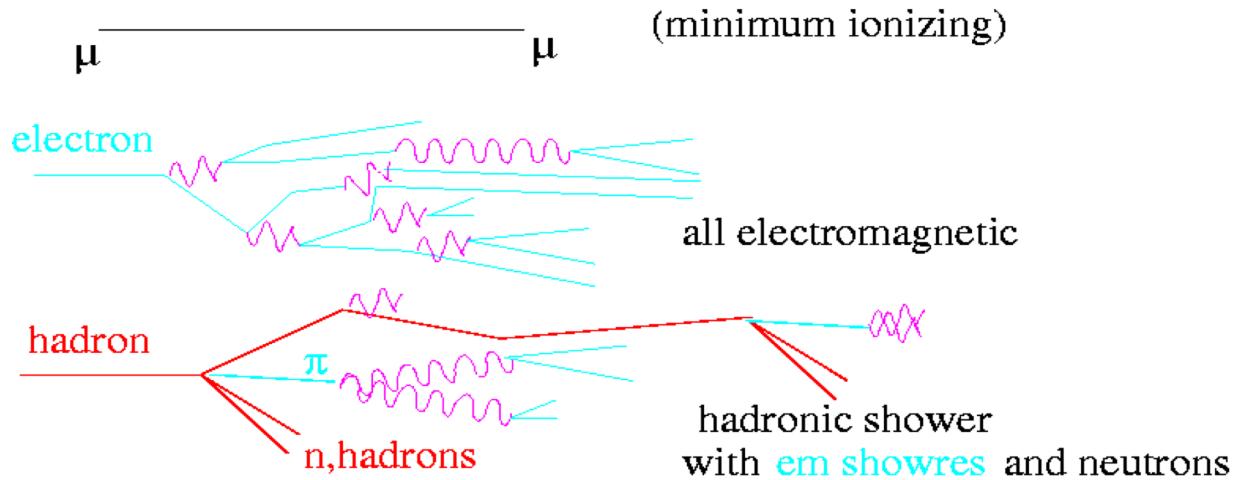


$$\text{Number of Near Detector events} = \text{Flux} \cdot \text{Cross section} \cdot \text{Detector effects}$$

$$\text{Number of Far Detector events} = \text{Flux} \cdot \text{Oscillation probability} \cdot \text{Cross section} \cdot \text{Detector effects}$$

# Three Kinds of Particle Signatures

- Particle interactions in matter
  - Energy loss by ionization
  - Electromagnetic shower
  - Hadronic shower



- Three fundamentally different signatures
- Question: how do you expect energy resolution to change with energy for these three?

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# Particle Passing Through Detector Material

Particle	Characteristic Length	Dependence
Electrons	Radiation length ( $X_o$ )	Log(E)
Hadrons	Interaction length ( $\lambda_{INT}$ )	Log(E)
Muons	$dE/dx$	E
Taus	Decays first	$\gamma c t = \gamma 87 \mu m$

Material	$X_o$ (cm)	$\lambda_{INT}$ (cm)	$dE/dx$ (MeV/cm)	Density (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )
Liquid Argon	14	83.5	2.1	1.4
Water	37	83.6	2.0	1
Steel	1.76	17	11.4	7.87
Scintillator (CH)	42	~80	1.9	1
Lead	0.56	17	12.7	11.4

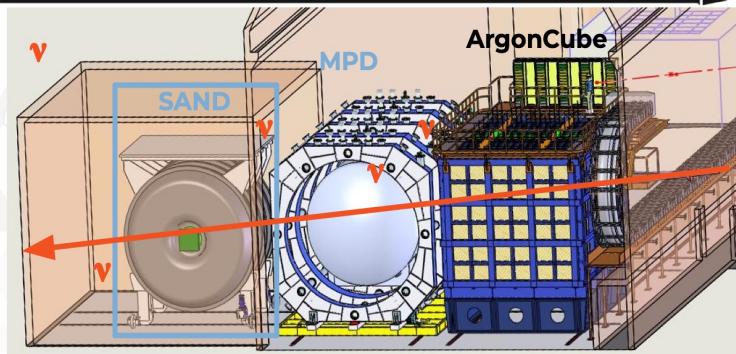
# Different Neutrino Detectors

- Example detectors:
  - Cerenkov Detectors – Water Cerenkov
    - Heavy Water Cerenkov
  - Scintillator Detectors
    - Liquid Scintillator (Reactor Energies)
    - Segmented scintillator
  - Liquid Argon TPC

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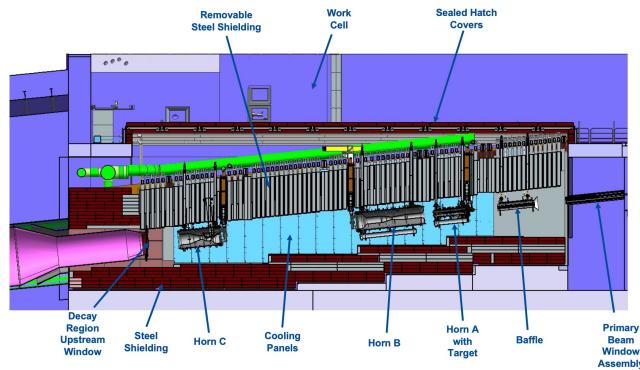
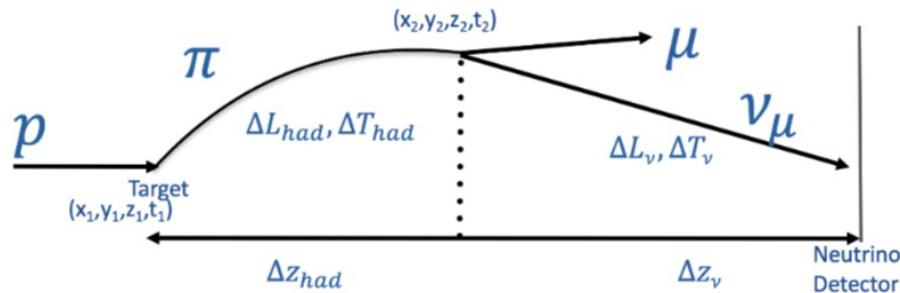
## DUNE Near Detector Concept

- **ArgonCube**: LAr TPC
  - Primary target, similar to FD
- **MPD**: GAr TPC + ECal + Low mass magnet
  - Charge/momenta/PID
  - Low threshold neutrino target
- **SAND**: 3D plastic scintillator detector inside a superconducting solenoid:
  - Beam monitor



DUNE Preliminary	ArgonCube FV				MPD FV
	All int.	Selected			All int.
Run duration	$N\nu_\mu CC$	NSel	WSB	NC	$N\nu_\mu CC$
1/2 yr.	25.5M	11.3M	0.2%	1.4%	680,000

# Neutrino Beam Timing



$$T_A = \Delta T_{had} + \Delta T_\nu = (t_2 - t_1) + \Delta L_\nu / c$$

$$T_A^{prompt} = \Delta z / c = (\Delta z_{had} + \Delta z_\nu) / c$$

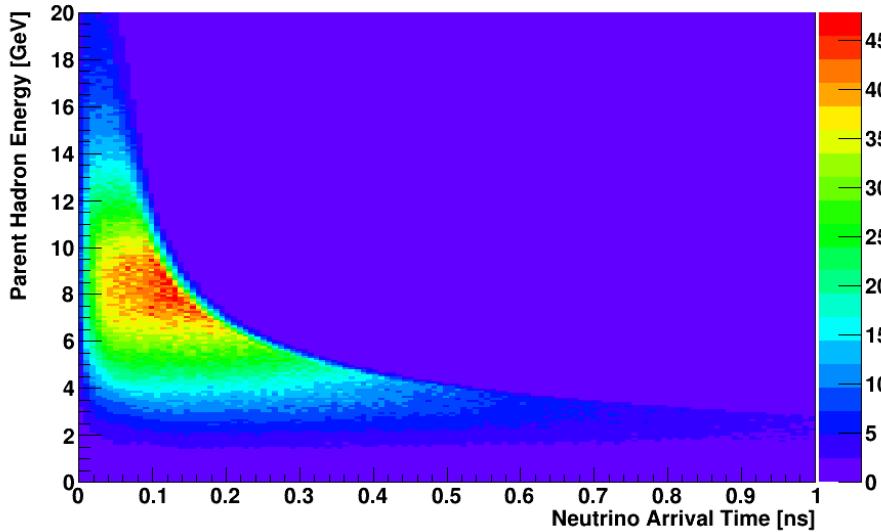
$$\Delta T_{had} = t_2 - t_1 \quad \Delta T_\nu = \Delta L_\nu / c$$

$$\begin{aligned} Eqn1: \Delta T &= T_A - T_A^{prompt} \\ &= \Delta T_{had} + \Delta L_\nu / c - (\Delta z_{had} + \Delta z_\nu) / c \end{aligned}$$

For  $\Delta L_\nu \approx \Delta z_\nu$

$$Eqn2: \Delta T \approx \Delta T_{had} - \Delta z_{had} / c$$

# Neutrino Beam Timing

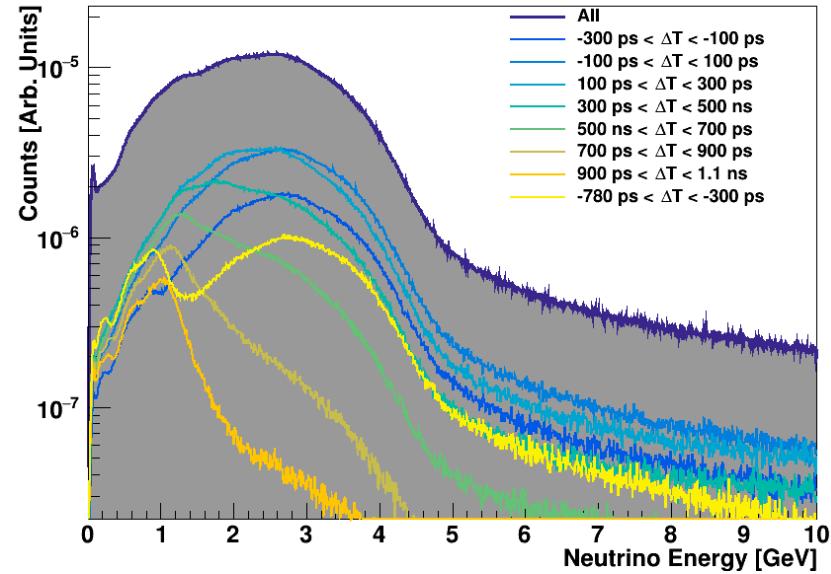
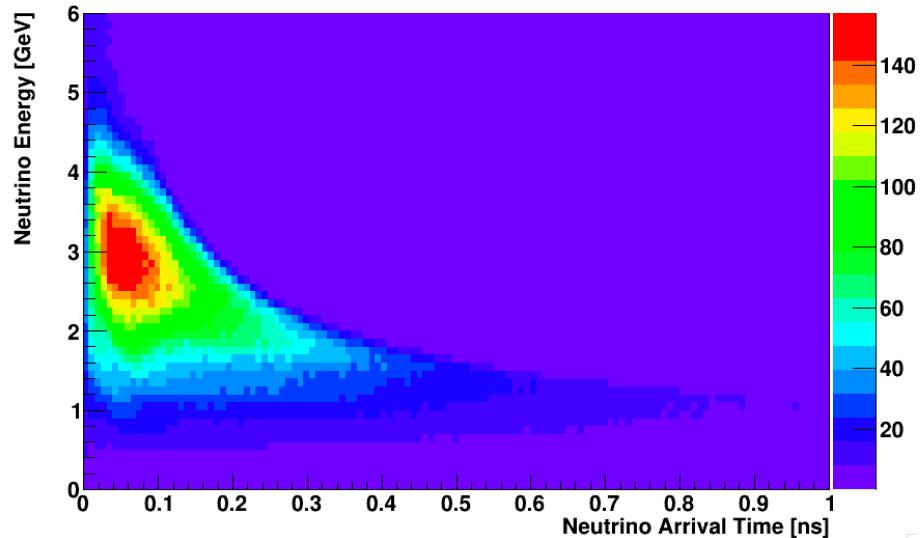


With simulated data of  
LBNF beam in Forward  
Horn Current Mode

**Arrival time difference b/w neutrinos from relativistic hadrons & neutrino from hadron of energy E**

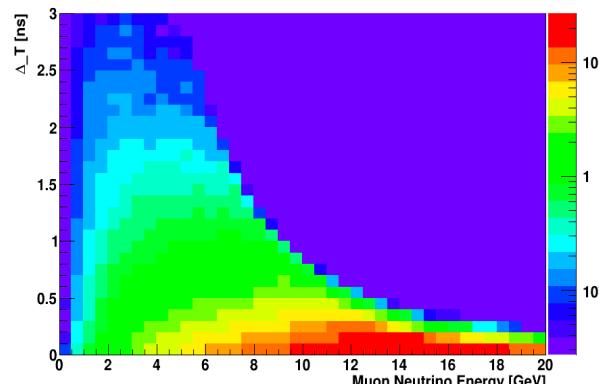
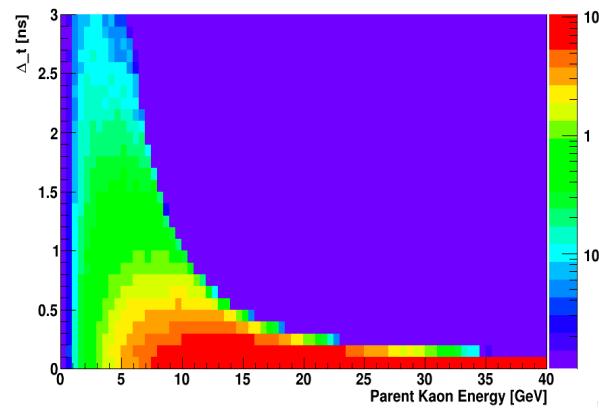
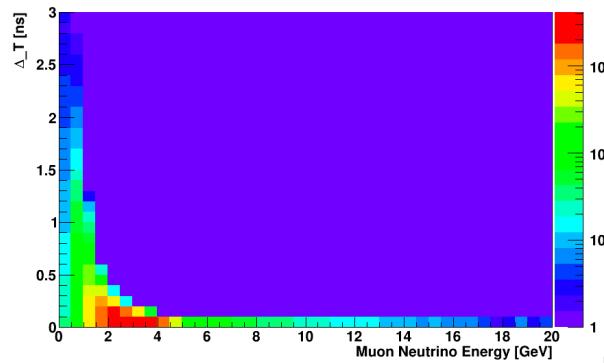
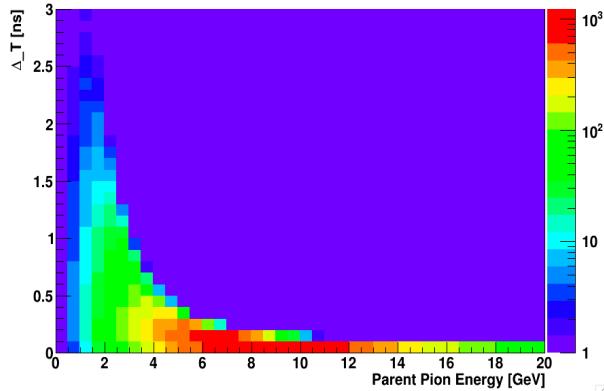
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# Neutrinos at Near Detector

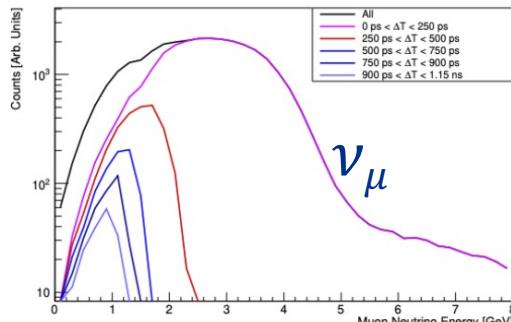


Relative neutrino arrival times versus neutrino energies for all neutrinos with simulated data of the LBNF beam

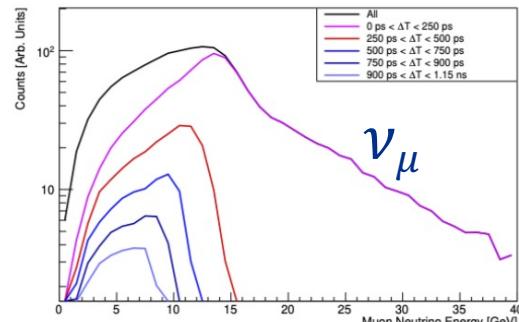
# Neutrinos at Near Detector



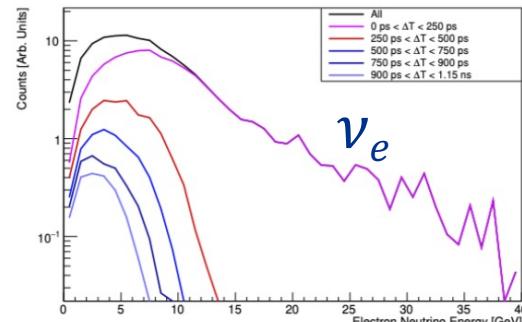
# Timing to Separate Out Neutrino Family Types, Parent Hadron Components



Parent hadron: pion only

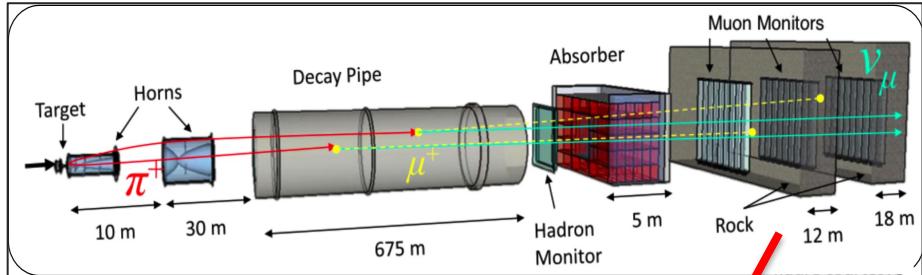


Parent hadron: kaon only



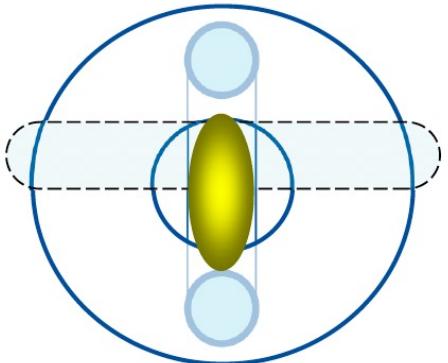
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# Muon Monitors

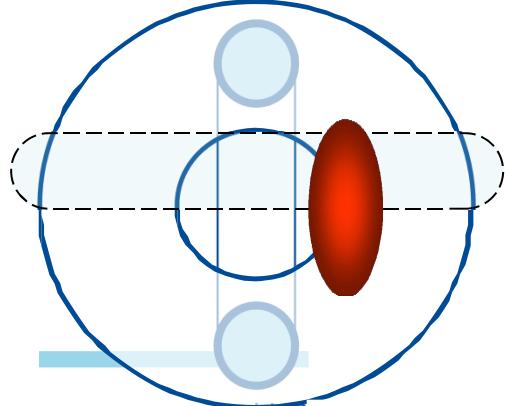


- Muon Monitor intensities show baffle and target positions
- Profiles change with horn focusing

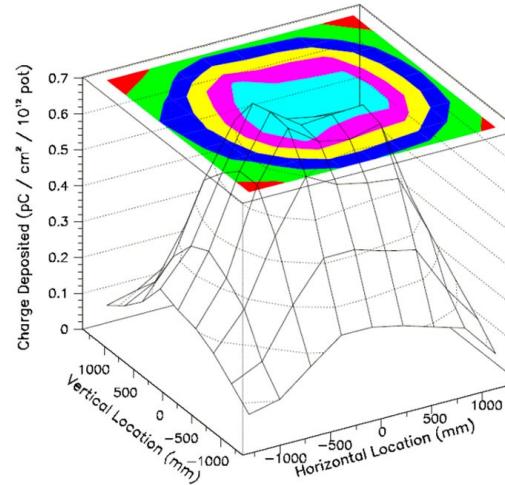
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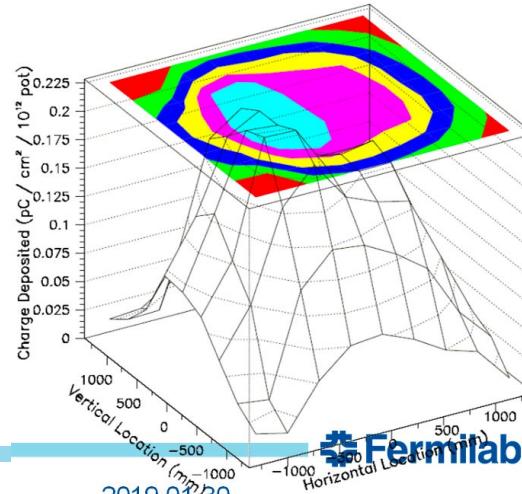
Beam centered on target



Beam off 6 mm horizontally



Muon  
Alcove 1

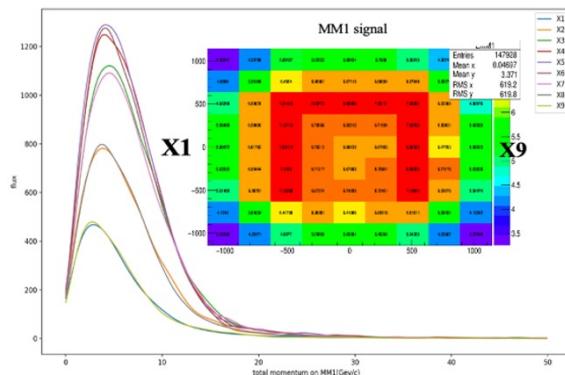


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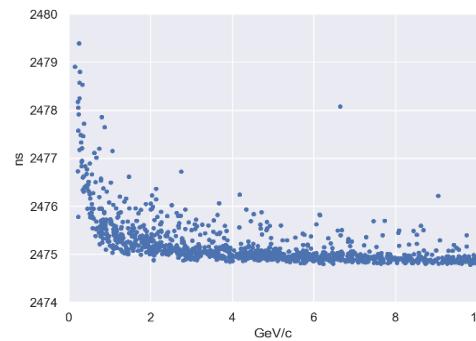
# New Instrumentation Ideas

- Large Area Picosecond Photodetector (LAPPD)
- Use LAPPD as muon monitors, provides muon TOF measurement in alcoves across transverse plane
- Allows application of precision timing in neutrino experiments
- LAPPDs already offer a space resolution of 1x1 mm and a time resolution of ~55 ps or better

Simulated momentum spectra  
on central row of MM1



Simulated time-of-flight vs muon  
momentum at MM1



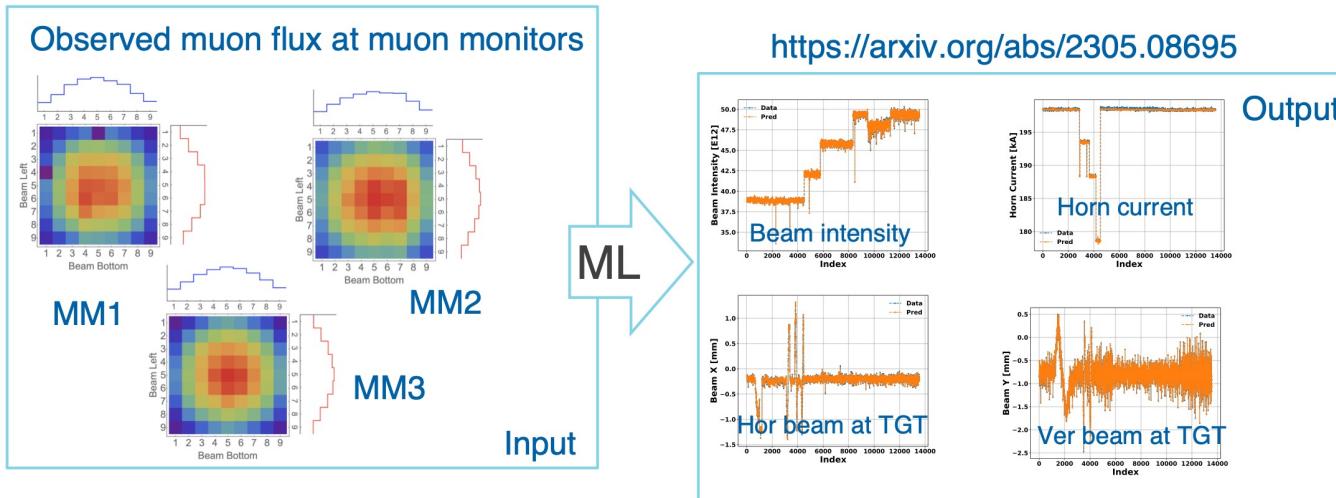
- Individual pixel sees different muon spectrum
- X1 & X9, X2 & X8, X3 & X7, X4 & X6 shows similar shape

- Observed time distribution will be different at different pixel position

# New Instrumentation Ideas

## Machine Learning for Beam Quality Assessment in NuMI:

- NuMI horn's linear beam optics implies linear response to beam changes.
- ML algorithm with ANN predicts target beam positions.
- Based on 241 observed values, accuracy:  $\pm 0.018$  mm horizontally,  $\pm 0.013$  mm vertically observed
- ML matches traditional instrumentation accuracy



> 1,000 flux images are required for training ML