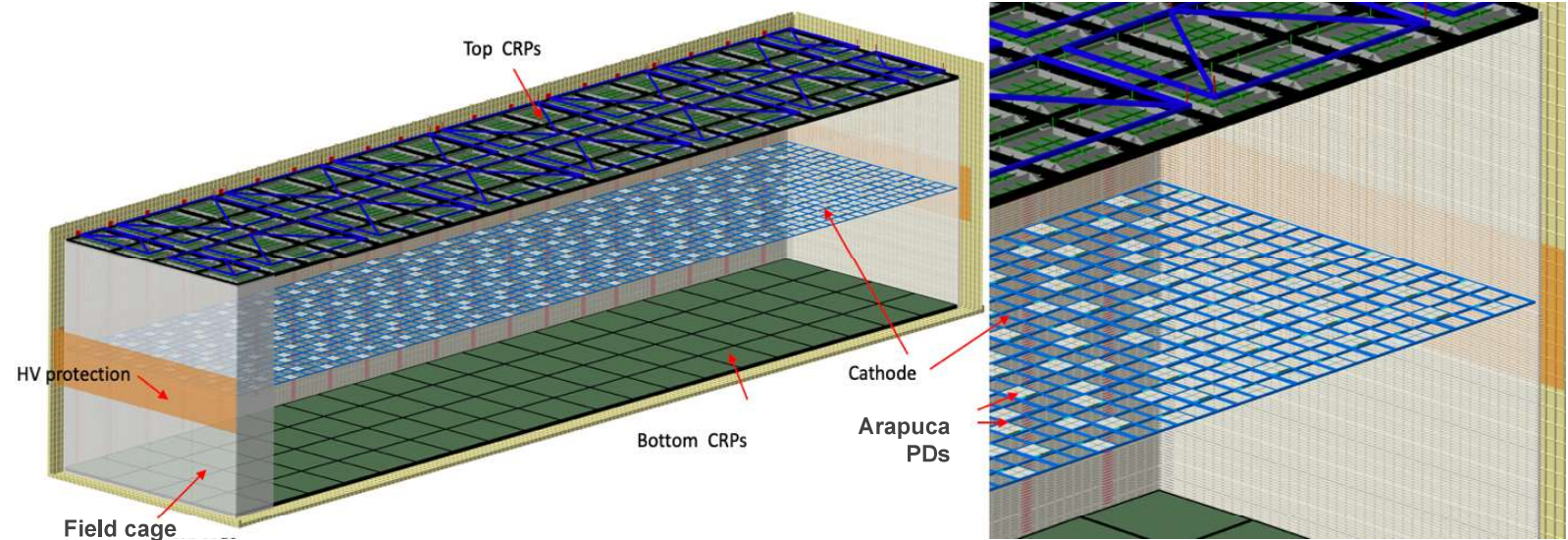


The DUNE Vertical Drift Photon Detection System

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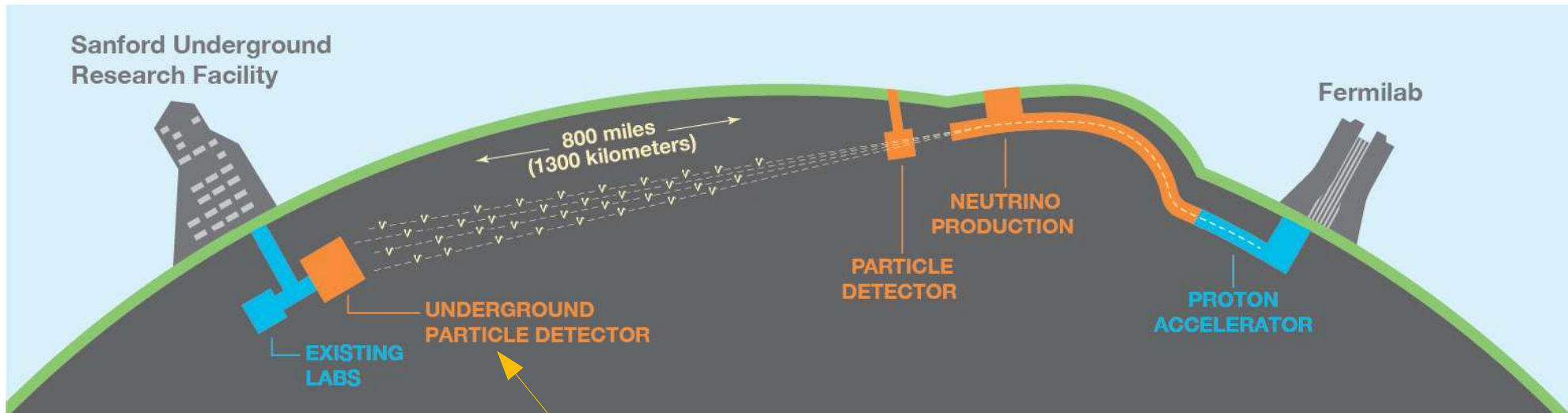
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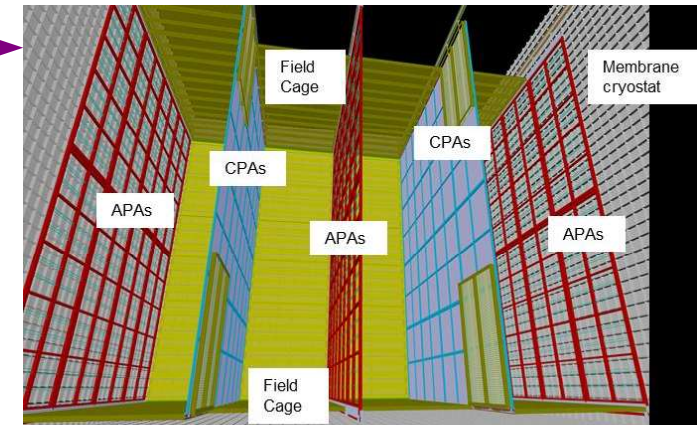
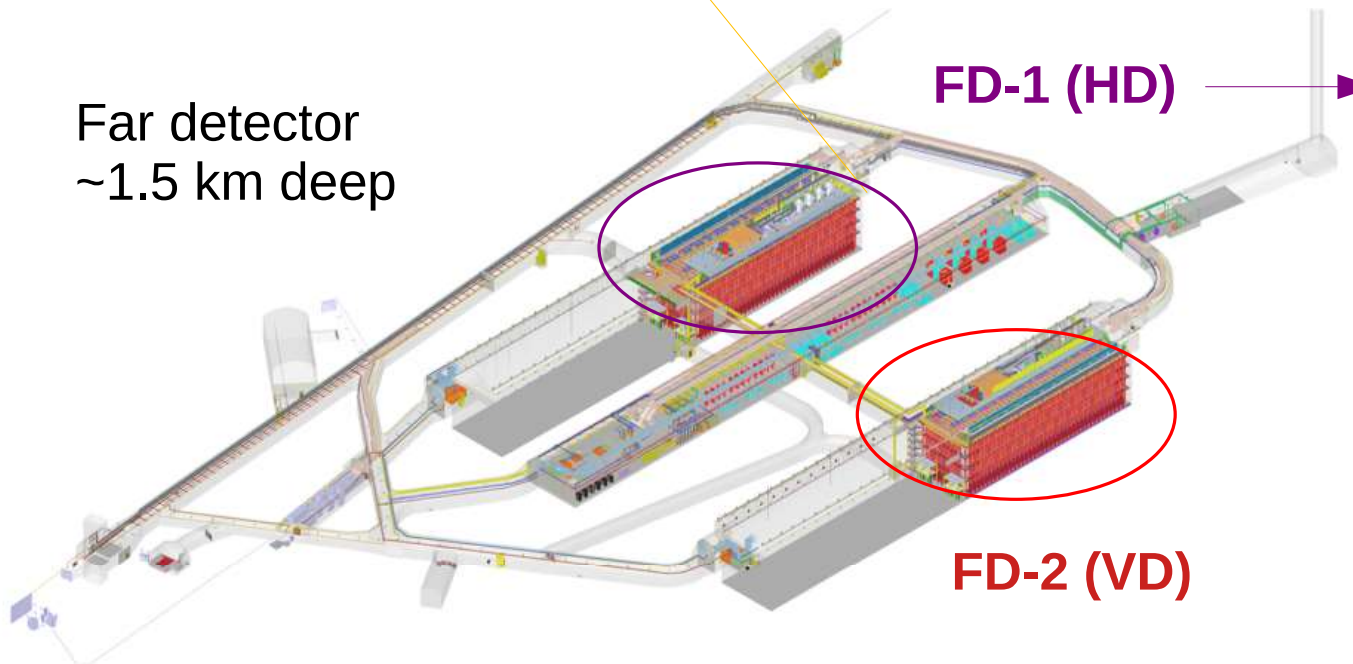


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Far detector
~1.5 km deep



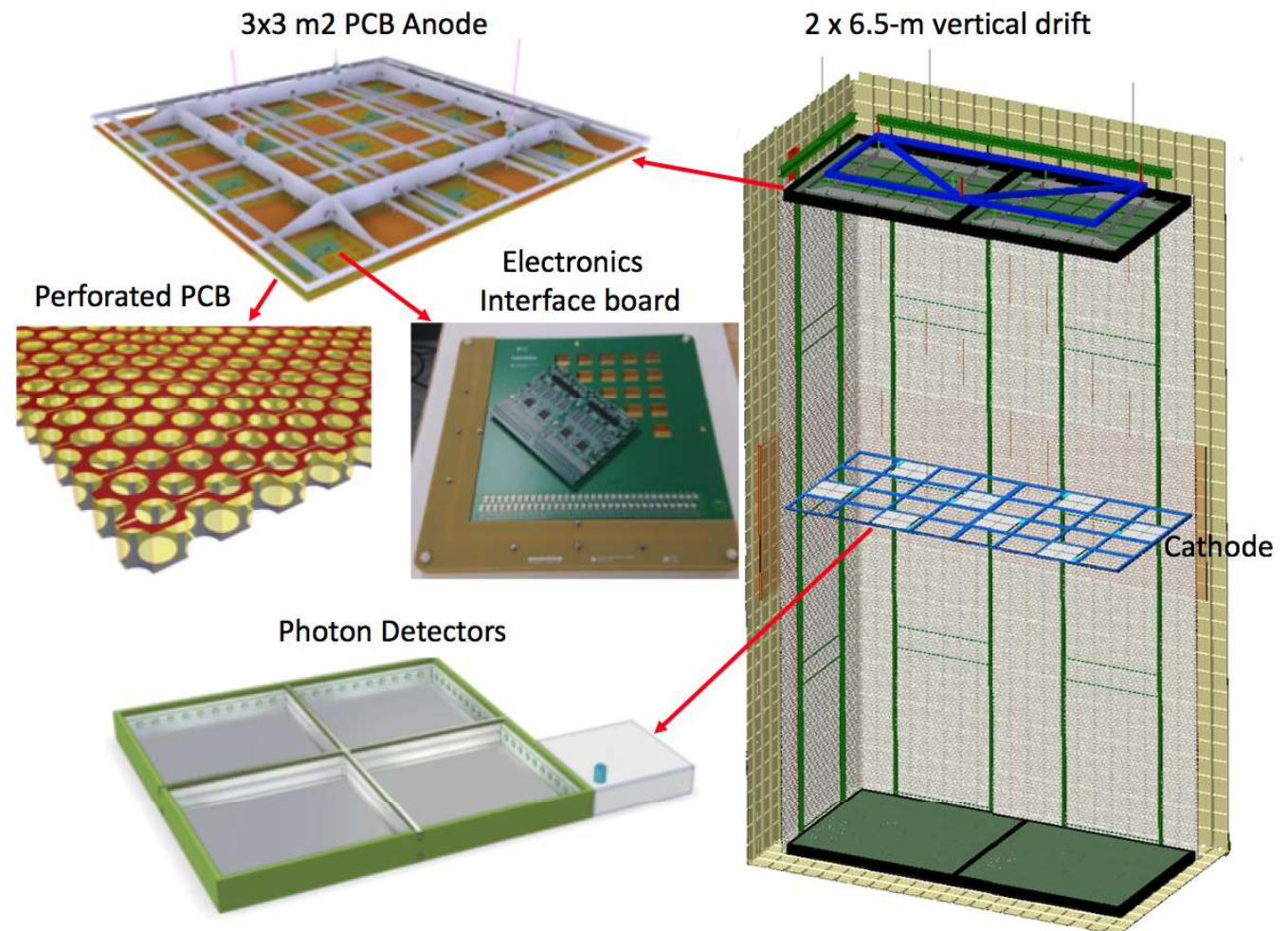
4 Caverns for 4 cryostats for 4 17kt LArTPC FD-Modules

The Vertical Drift Module

2 volumes (13.5 m x 6.5 m x 60 m) separated by a cathode plane

2 Anode planes (top & bottom)

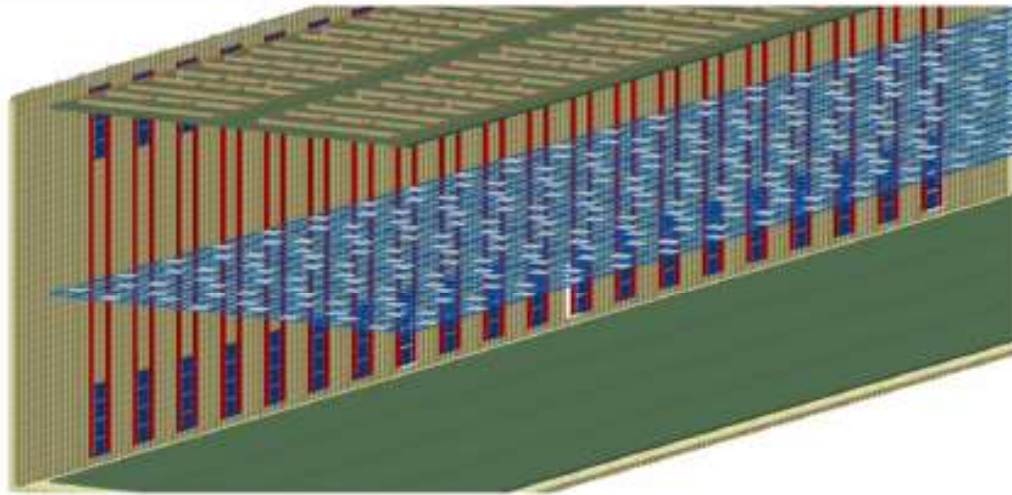
Anode composed by stacked layers of a perforated PCB with electrode strips



Photon detector: large size X-Arapuca tile (0.6 x 0.6 m²)

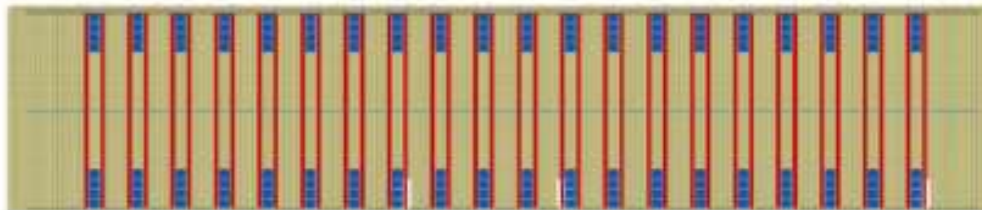
Vertical drift single phase PDS

Reference Design (Cathode & Membrane mounted PDS @ Xe doping)



4 pi layout :

- Full trigger capabilities down to 10 MeV
- Energy, Position and T0
- xArapucas 60x60 on the cathode, 115 mq, analog readout
- xArapucas 60x60 on the cryo membrane, ~3m from Cathode



Active coverage: 14.8% Cathode, 7.4% Laterals

Reference Design

PD Active Optical Coverage onto

3 sides

(w/ modified FC - 70% T)

+

PD Passive Optical Coverage

(reflector) on the Anode side

+

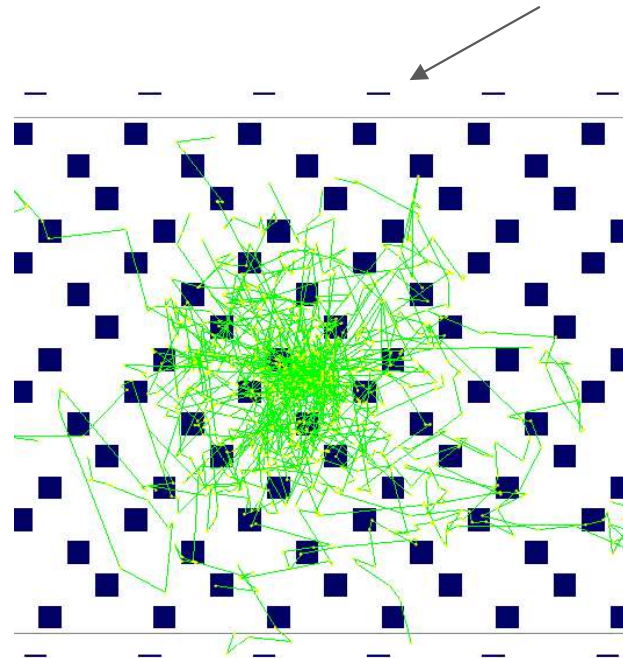
Xe doping

- *good uniformity of response*
- *low detection & trigger threshold*
- *energy resolution and position resolution capability*

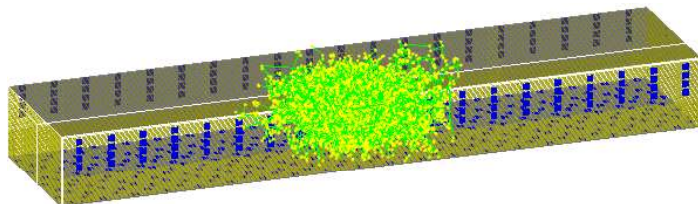
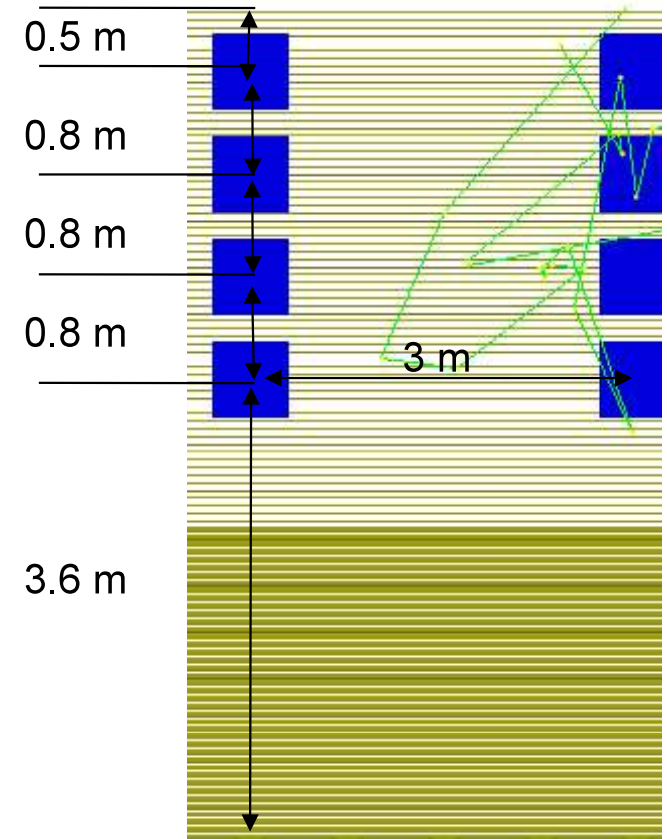
Reference Design Simulation

- Geant4
- FC structure
- Semi-transparent Cathode: $T = 80\%$
- Anode $R=20\%$ (Xe)
- Abs length = 50 m
- Rayleigh scattering*
 $\lambda_{Ar} = 99.9 \text{ cm}$,
 $\lambda_{Xe} = 8.5 \text{ m}$

PDs 60 cm behind FC



Top volume: 20 columns per side, each with 4 tiles



320 over the laterals
 (160 each volume)
 320 on the cathode

*M. Babicz et al, JINST 15, P09009 (2020)

PDS Reference Design: Light Yield Map

- 25000 photons per MeV of energy deposited

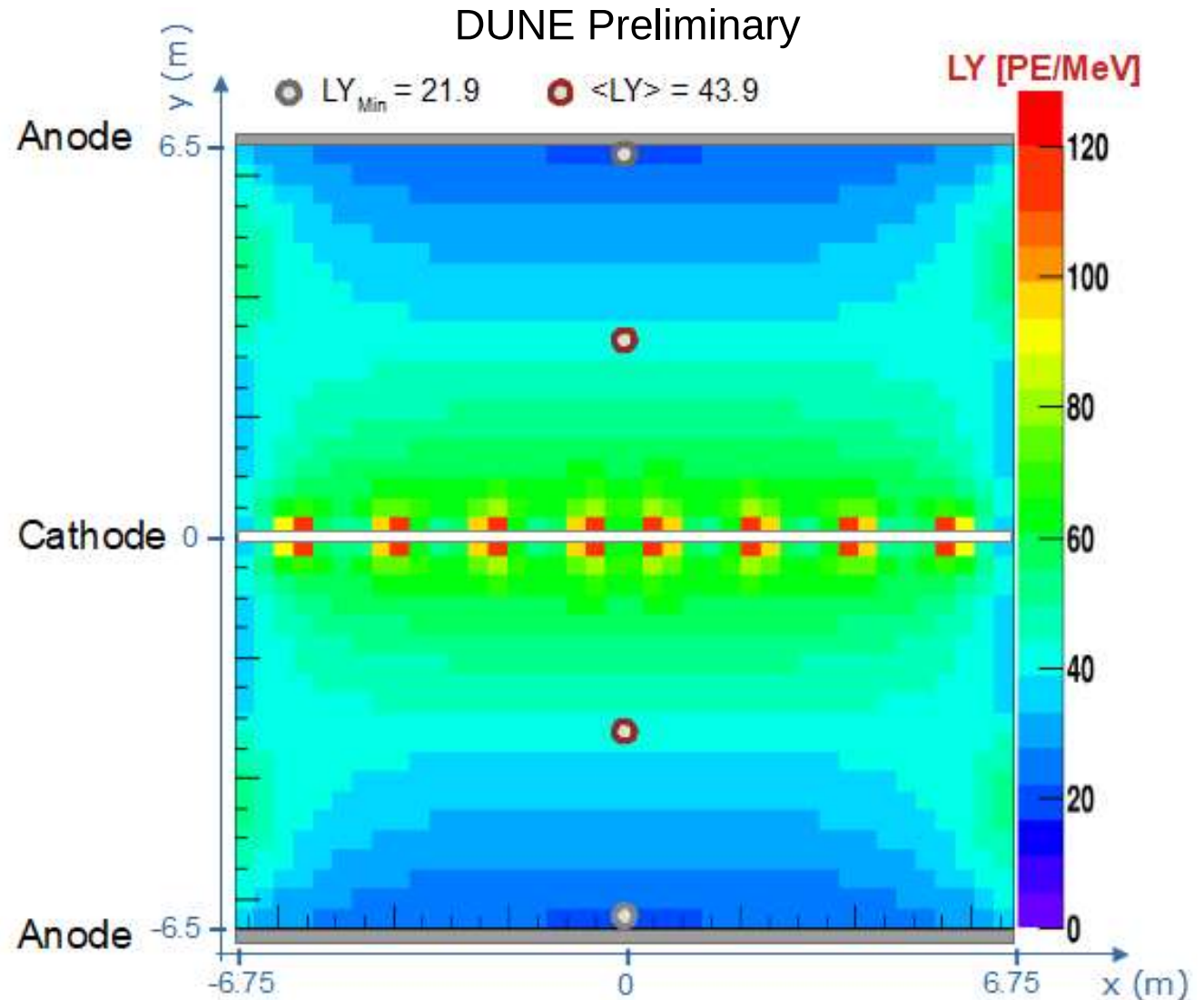
75% Xe / 25% Ar

- 3% detection efficiency

$LY_{\min} = 21.9 \text{ PE/MeV}$

$\langle LY \rangle = 43.9 \text{ PE/MeV}$

Ar + Xe (10 ppm by mass)

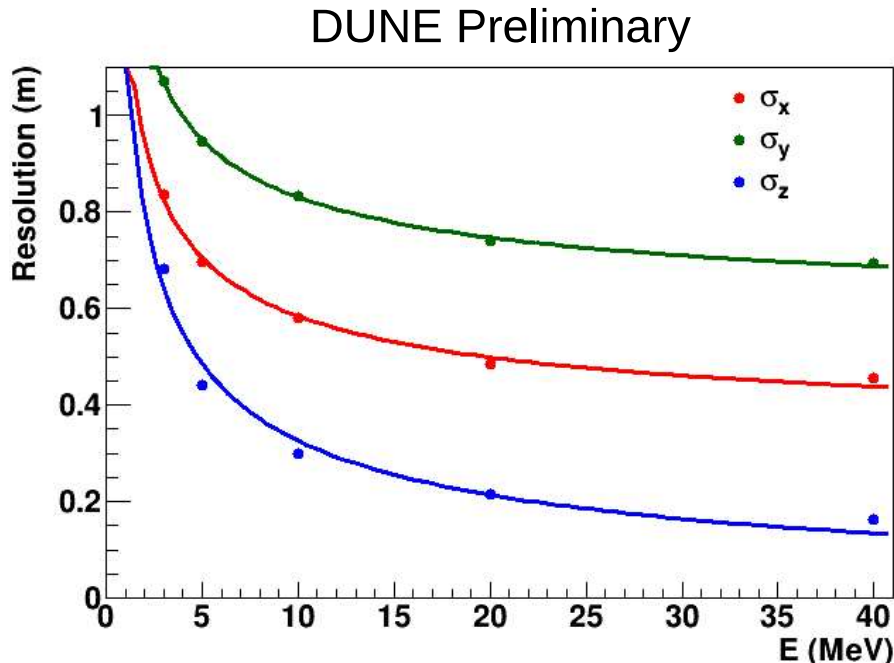


Requirements:
 Average - En res comparable to TPC for 5-7 MeV SN vs
 Minimum - tagging of > 99% of nucleon decay

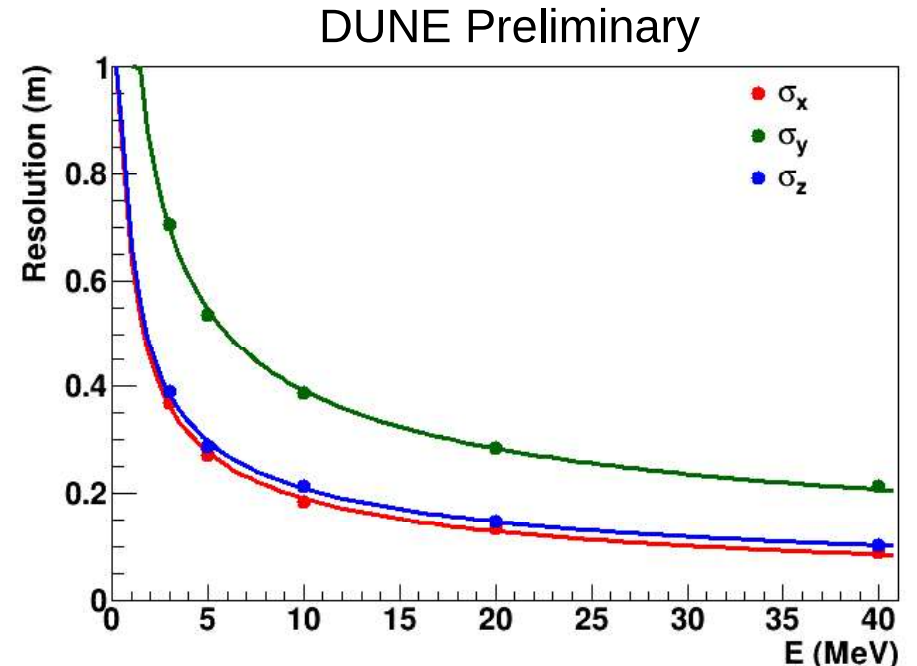
Position Resolution in the Reference Design

- From barycenter determination
- Resolution: $A/\sqrt{E} + B$
- Good position resolution
 - Border effects

Requirement:
Spatial localization
(perpendicular to drift) < 2.5 m
Matching of PD and TPC signals



2800 events per energy deposit anywhere in the volume (central region)

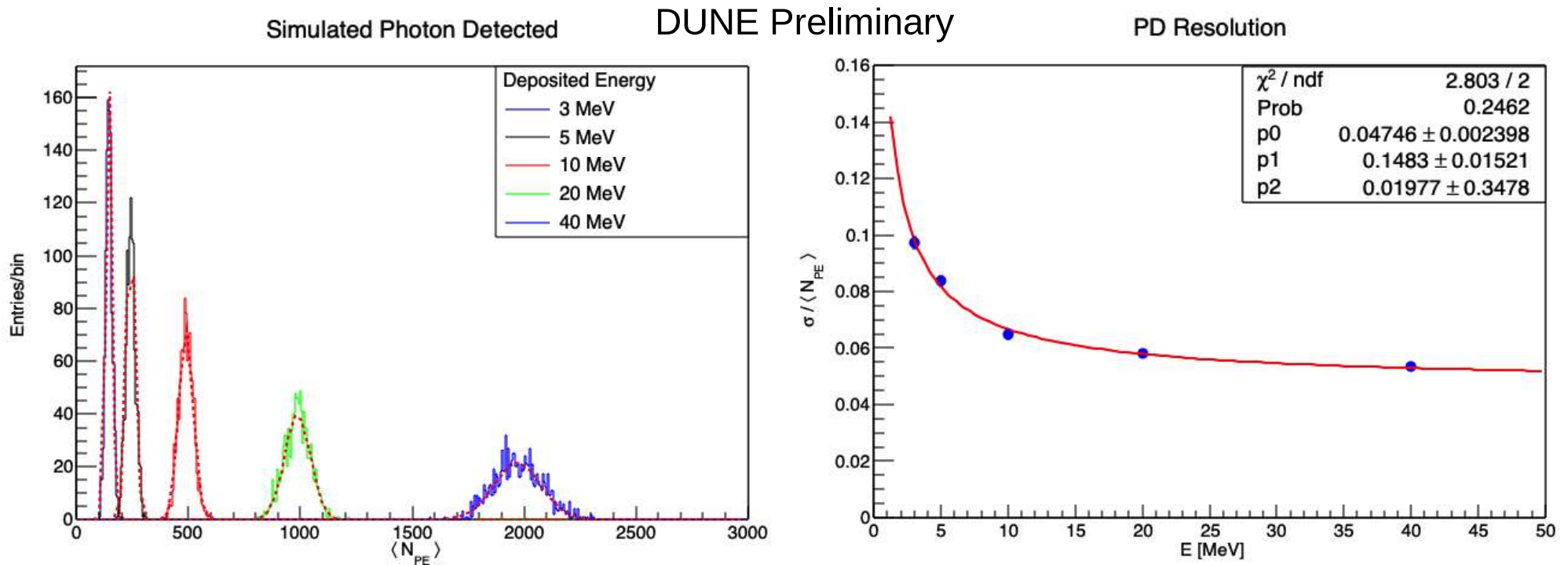


500 events for each energy deposit at (0,0,0)

Energy Resolution in the Reference Design

Identification of SN spectrum features

- Point-like E deposits at center of top volume
 - Uncertainty on energy calibration (p0)
 - Statistical fluctuation (p1) on the number of detected PEs
 - Noise term (p2)

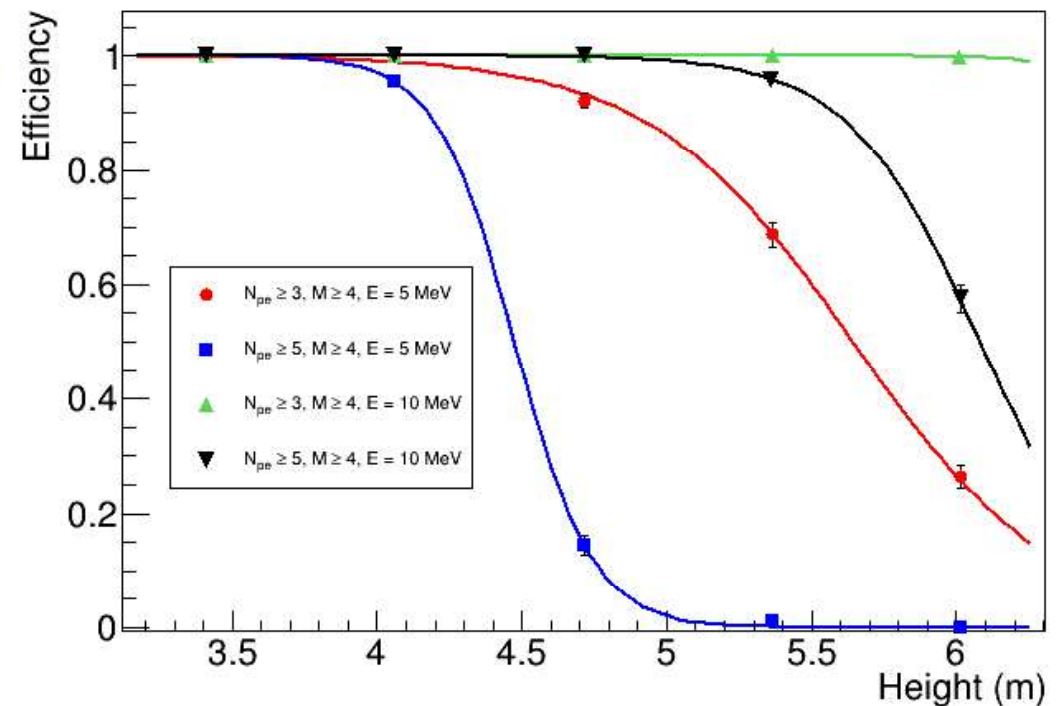
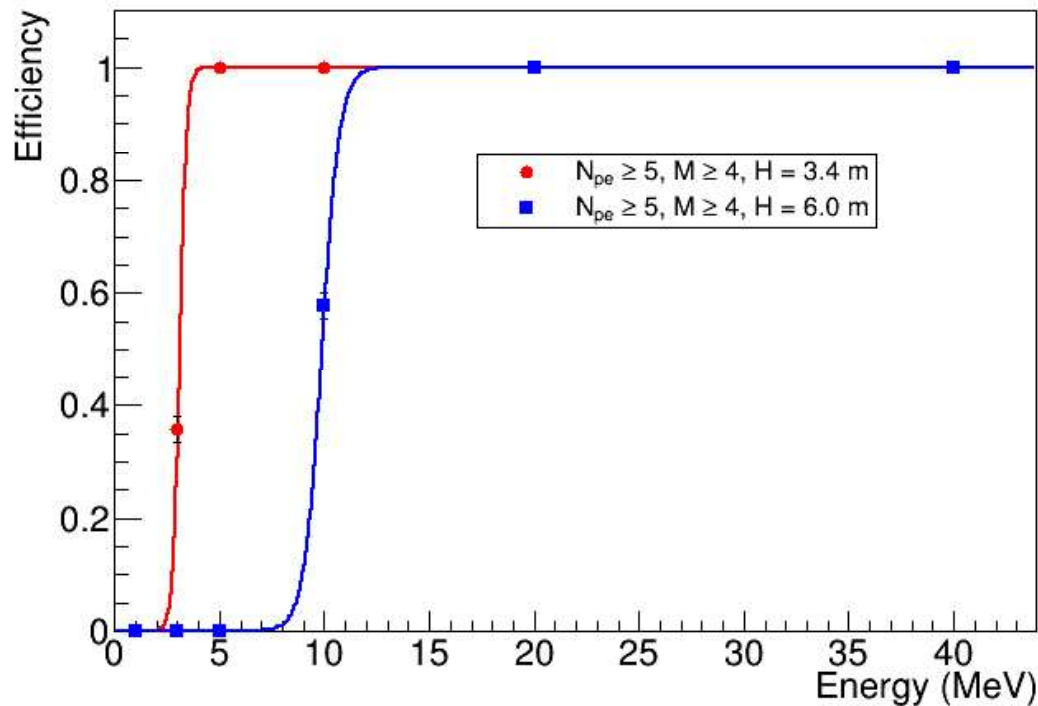


Trigger Efficiency

- Point-like E deposits at the center of top volume
- Simple (N_{PE} , M) Majority condition on adjacent tiles

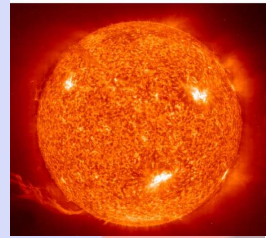
500 events with fixed ($x=0, z=0$) for a given energy deposit

DUNE Preliminary



Summary

- Preliminary evaluation of Physics capabilities of the VD PDS
- LY map
 - Average and minimum above requirements
- Position resolution
- Calorimetry
 - Energy measurement down to low energy (MeV)
- Trigger
 - Efficiency



PD Impact on Low Energy Physics

- Event timing
- Energy resolution (photon calorimetry + drift correction)
- Position resolution (bckg rejection, reconstruction)
- Enhanced triggering, event selection, channel tagging
- Combination of TPC+PDS

improves SNB,
solar neutrinos,
DSNB

