### **SURF** Roundtable

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# Big Science Questions to address underground

# A broad range of physics topics benefit from low-background environment available underground

- Neutrino properties
  - Is leptogenesis a viable explanation of the observed matter anti-matter asymmetry?
- Neutrinos as probes of other phenomena
  - What are dynamics of supernova explosions?
- Nucleon decay
  - Do protons decay, providing evidence for GUTs?
- Dark matter
  - Can we detect dark matter particles directly?
- Quantum information science
  - Can greatly reduced cosmic ray background enable significant progress in quantum computing?
- etc

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Connection of CPV in neutrino oscillations to CPV in heavy neutrinos is model dependent, but there are models in which  $\delta_{CP}$  can play a dominant role in leptogenesis (Moffat, Pascoli, Petcov, and Turner, arXiv:1809.08251)

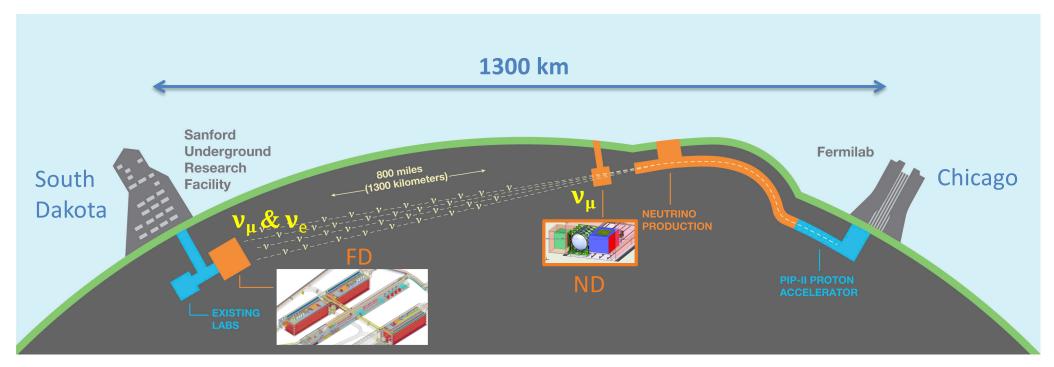
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  - 3) Search for neutrinoless double beta decay, to demonstrate that neutrinos are their own antiparticles ← several speakers will address in detail.
    - Question: What is best strategy for 0vββ decay if hierarchy is normal, and what facilities will be needed?

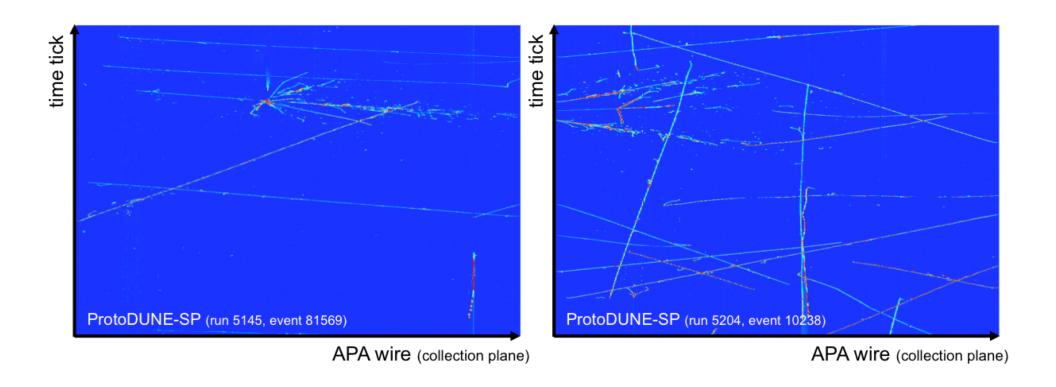
### LBNF/DUNE Overview

- Muon neutrinos/antineutrinos from high-power proton beam
  - 1.2 MW from day one; upgradeable to 2.4 MW
- Massive underground Liquid Argon Time Projection Chambers
  - full DUNE scope is 4 x 17 kt (> 40 kt fiducial)
- Near detector to characterize the beam (100s of millions of neutrino interactions)



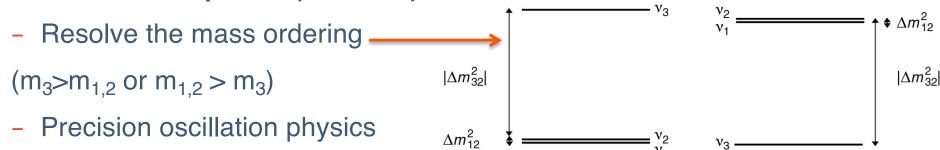
### **DUNE Science**

Unique combination of world's most intense wide-band neutrino beam, a deep underground site, and massive LAr detectors enables broad science program addressing some of the most fundamental questions in particle physics.



# **DUNE Science Program**

- Neutrino Oscillation Physics
  - Search for leptonic (neutrino) CP Violation



- Parameter measurements, θ<sub>23</sub> octant
- Testing the current 3-neutrino model, non-standard interactions, ...
- Supernova burst physics and astrophysics
  - 3000 v<sub>e</sub> events in 10 sec from SN at 10 kpc
- Beyond the Standard Model physics, including nucleon decay
- + many other topics (v interaction physics with near detector, atmospheric neutrinos, sterile neutrinos, WIMP searches, Lorentz invariance tests, solar neutrinos, etc.)

#### P5 Recommendations

Recommendation 12: In collaboration with international partners, develop a coherent short- and long-baseline neutrino program hosted at Fermilab.

For a long-baseline oscillation experiment, based on the science Drivers and what is practically achievable in a major step forward, we set as the goal a mean sensitivity to CP violation² of better than  $3\sigma$  (corresponding to 99.8% confidence level for a detected signal) over more than 75% of the range of possible values of the unknown CP-violating phase  $\delta_{\text{CP}}$ . By current estimates, this goal corresponds to an exposure of 600 kt\*MW\*yr assuming systematic uncertainties of 1% and 5% for the signal and background, respectively. With a wideband neutrino beam produced by a proton beam with power of 1.2 MW, this exposure implies a far detector with fiducal mass of more than 40 kilotons (kt) of liquid argon (LAr) and a suitable near detector. The minimum requirements to proceed are the identified capability to reach an exposure of at least 120 kt\*MW\*yr by the

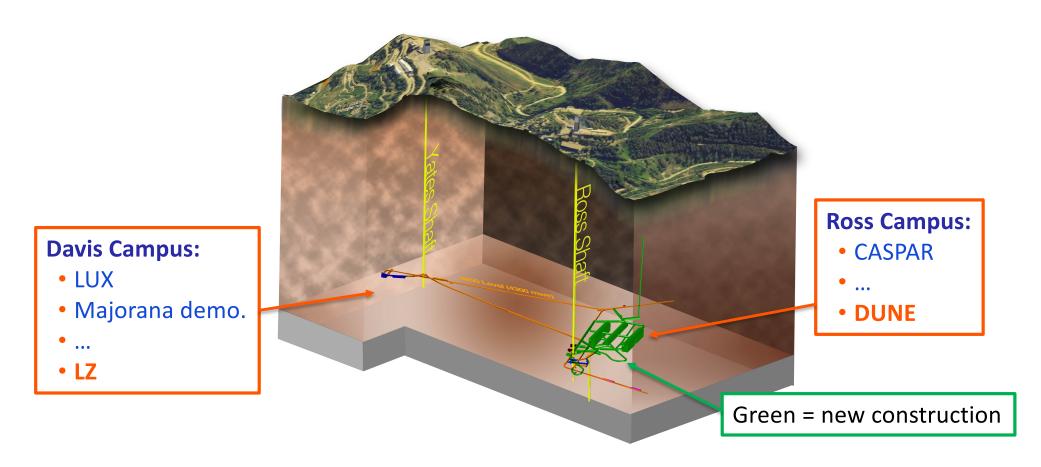
2035 timeframe, the far detector situated underground with cavern space for expansion to at least 40 kt LAr fiducial volume, and 1.2 MW beam power upgradable to multi-megawatt power. The experiment should have the demonstrated capability to search for supernova (SN) bursts and for proton decay, providing a significant improvement in discovery sensitivity over current searches for the proton lifetime.

Recommendation 13: Form a new international collaboration to design and execute a highly capable Long-Baseline Neutrino Facility (LBNF) hosted by the U.S. To proceed, a project plan and identified resources must exist to meet the minimum requirements in the text. LBNF is the highest-priority large project in its timeframe.

#### LBNF and DUNE are designed to meet the P5 goals.

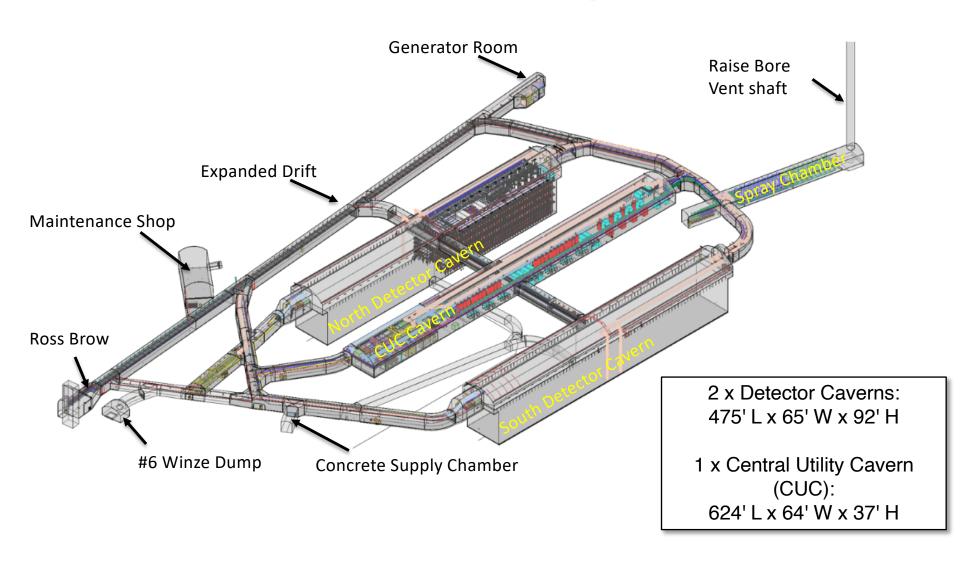
#### **DUNE Far Site**

# Ross Campus of 4850 ft level of Sanford Underground Research Facility



(Why 4850? See A. Bernstein et al., ``Report on the Depth Requirements for a Massive Detector at Homestake,' [arXiv:0907.4183 [hep-ex]].)

# LBNF Excavation Scope



### LBNF/DUNE Groundbreaking, 21 July 2017



#### Far Site Conventional Facilities Status

#### **Reliability Projects**

- ✓ Refuge Chamber Capacity Increase Complete
- ✓ Oro Hondo Fan VFD Replacement Complete
- ✓ Ross Crusher Roof Replacement Complete
- ✓ Ross Shaft Cage Replacement Complete
- ✓ Ross Shaft Skips Replacement Complete
- ✓ Ross Hoist Motor Replacement Complete
- Ross Hoist Bearing/Bushing Refurb Complete
- ✓ Ross Hoist Mech/Electrical Components Upgrades – Complete
- ✓ Ross Shaft Rehabilitation Substantially Complete

#### **Pre-Excavation Projects**

- ✓ Empty & Repair Ore Pass Complete
- ✓ Replace Skip Loading System Complete / Commissioning
- ✓ Replace/Restore Rock Crushing System Complete / Commissioning
- ✓ Rehabilitate the Existing Tramway Complete
- ✓ Install New Conveyor System Complete / under commissioning
- ✓ Install additional Electrical Capacity at Ross Substation – Complete
- ✓ Structural Reinforcement of Ross Headframe – Complete
- ✓ Install Shaft Utilities Complete
- ✓ Early Ventilation Improvements Complete

#### **Excavation Project Preparation**

- ✓ Limited Notice to Proceed Complete
- ✓ Leased Local Office & Equipment Yard Complete
- ✓ Mobilization of Mining Equipment Complete
- ✓ Local Community & Small Business Engagement – Complete
- ✓ Mobilization of Key Field & Staff Resources Complete
- ✓ Communication Plans & Alignment Meetings -Complete
- ✓ Excavation Cost Loaded Baseline Schedule Complete
- ✓ Approve TMI Training, ESH Plans, QA/QC Plans, Build Plans – Complete
- ✓ Builders Risk and SDSTA insurance policies in place

Main excavation phase officially began on 5 April 2021, on schedule

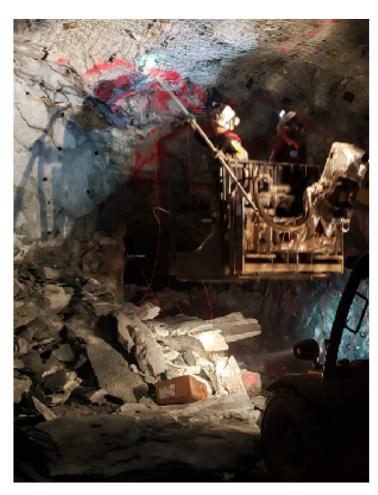
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(from C. Mossey)

#### **Far Site Construction Status**



TMI Drilling Blast Holes with Single Boom Jumbo



Explosive Technician Loading Blast Holes

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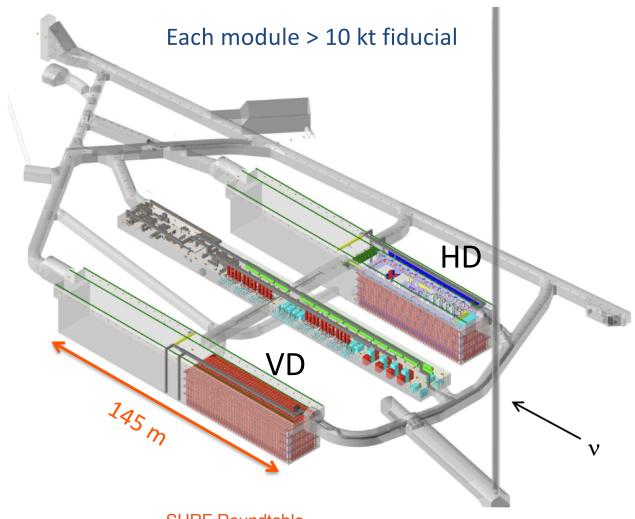
Muck pile, post blast, for electrical substation cavern



Moving muck and dumping through grizzly into ore pass to be loaded on skips to move to surface

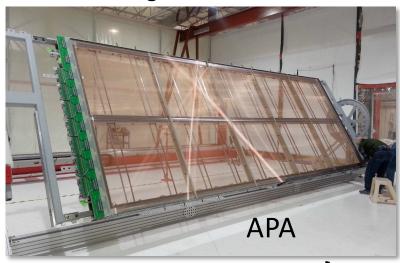
#### **DUNE Far Detector**

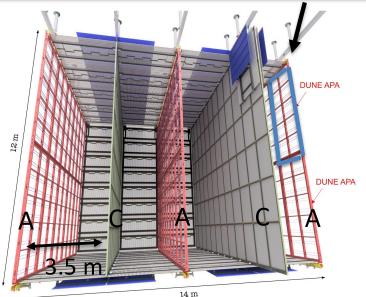
- Four separate 17 kt (> 10 kt fiducial) LAr TPCs
- 4 identically sized cryostats: module 1 horizontal drift (HD), module 2
  vertical drift (VD); technology for modules 3, 4 undetermined



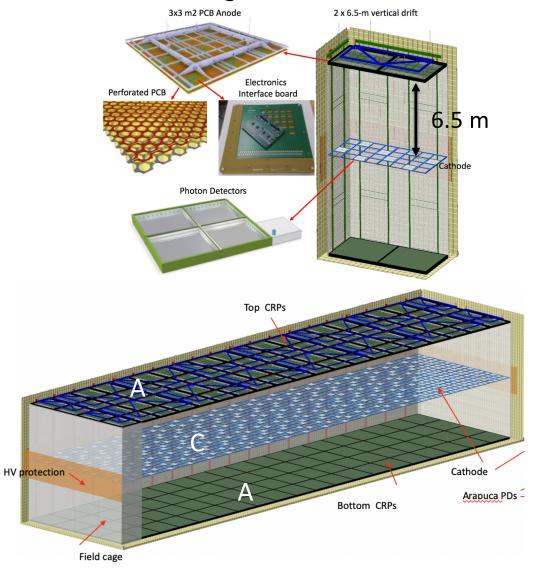
# Technologies for First FD Modules

Module 1: Single Phase Horizontal Drift





Module 2: Single Phase Vertical Drift



### **DUNE Far Detector Strategy**

- FD Module 1 will be SP Horizontal Drift (APAs) and Module 2 will be SP Vertical Drift (CRPs). These modules should be complete toward the end of the decade.
- The full experiment (4 far detector modules, complete near detector) plus 2.4 MW upgrade of the accelerator complex is required to meet P5 science goals.
- The Collaboration will continue to work to assemble resources and develop technologies to build FD Modules 3 and 4.
- Modules 3, 4 present an opportunity to explore new technologies that would expand physics scope in addition to contributing to P5 physics goals.

# Module of Opportunity Workshop at BNL



- Very well attended and exciting workshop at BNL in November 2019.
- Consider advanced liquid-argon (or alternate) technologies.

