

# SBND

# Liverpool contributions

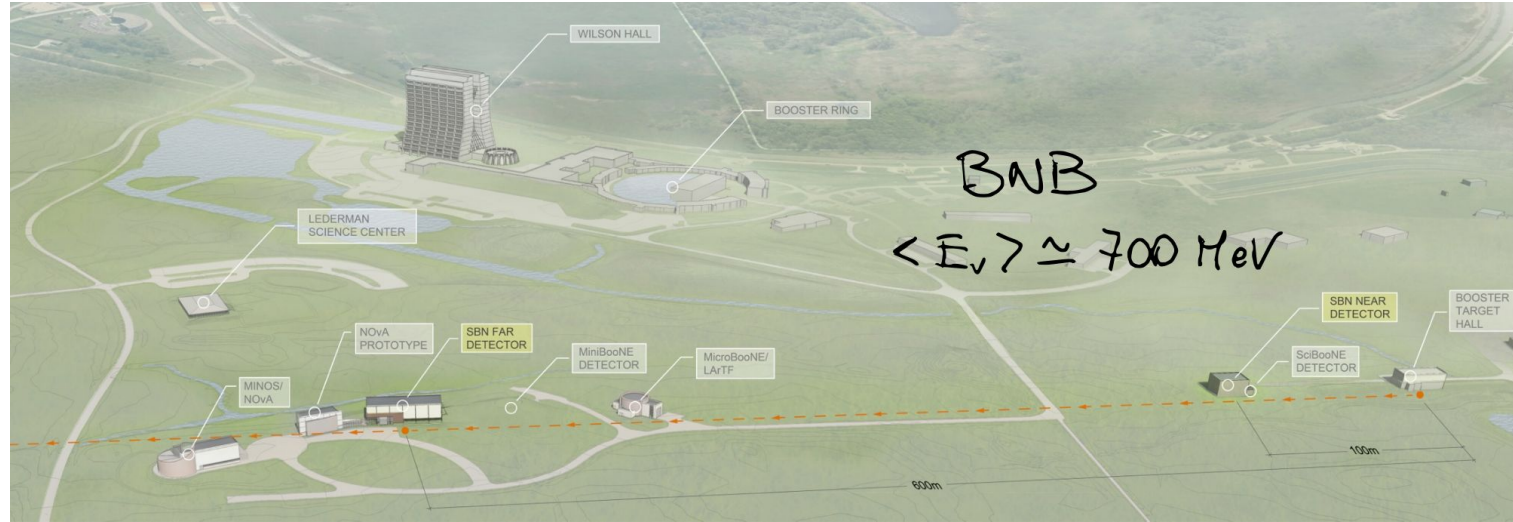
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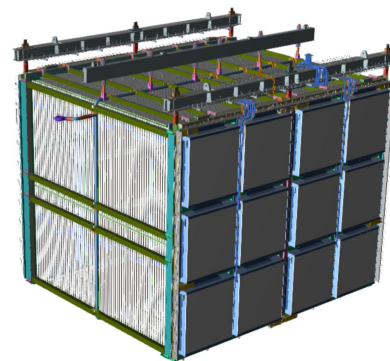
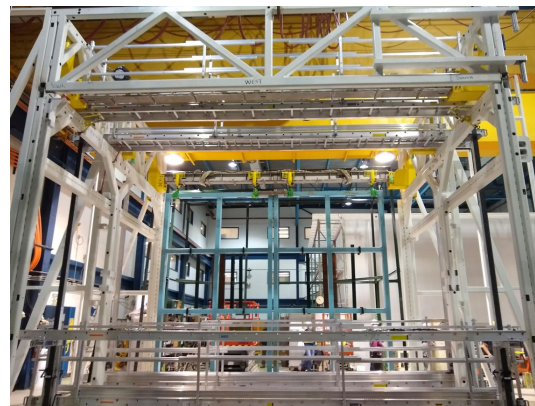
# SBND as a near detector for the SBN program



- Short baseline - 600 m - SBND is at 110 m from the target
- 3 LAr TPC experiments: SBND, MicrobooNE and Icarus
- Main goal: Search for sterile neutrino via oscillations
  - neutrino data in the TPC expected in late 2022

# Status - assembling a detector during pandemic

- Lots of different area relatively in parallel
  - Cryostat
    - External layers completed
    - work on surrounding infrastructures
  - Cryogenics
    - This is its year
  - TPC Assembly
    - So far tests - [Rhiannon Jones](#)
    - assembly begins this year
    - Cathode plane - [Kostas Mavrorkoridis](#), [David Payne](#), [Peter Sutcliffe](#)
  - DAQ
    - Crates completed
      - It does not mean job done
    - Already taking CRT data



# Status - Before pandemic

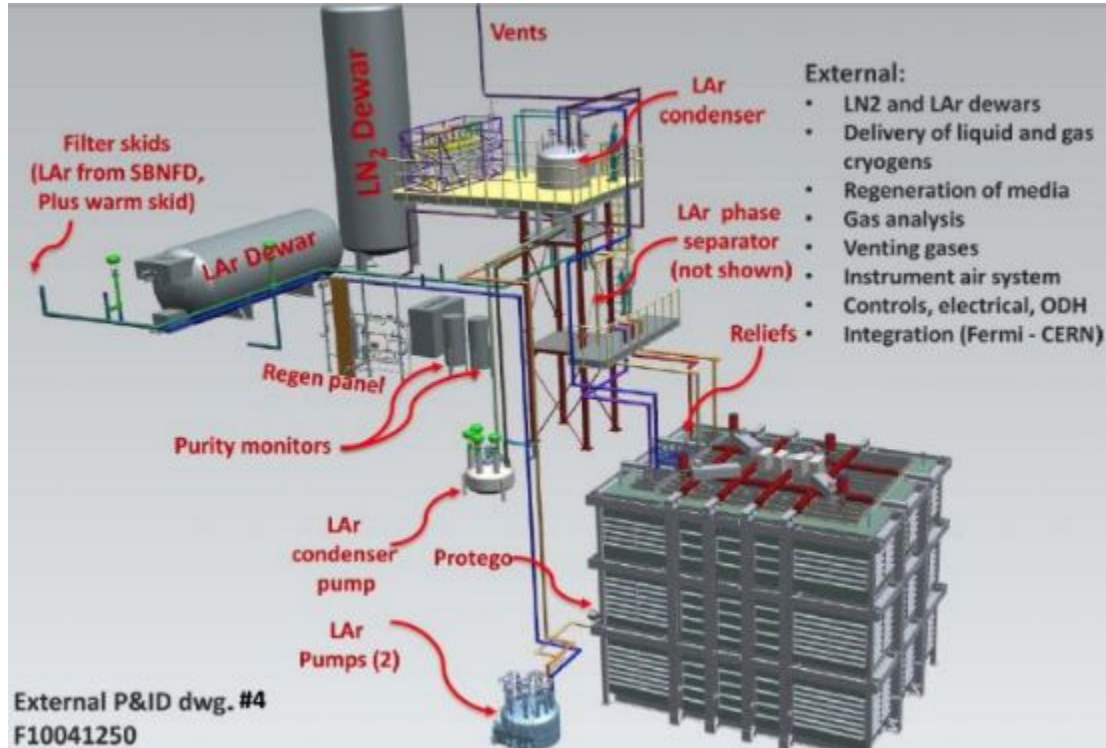
Completed cryostat

DAQ racks in the  
background





# Status - a few pictures

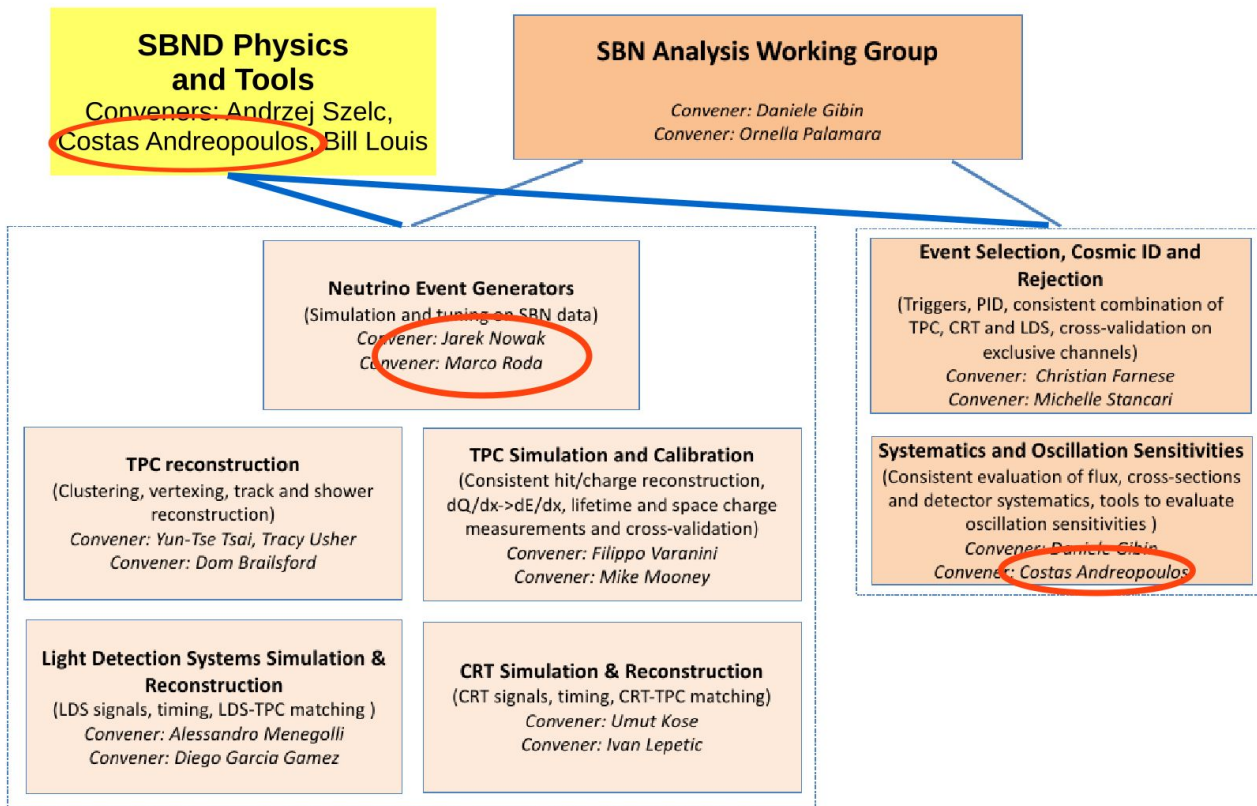


@ CERN, ready to be shipped

# Physics package

- 1 eV sterile neutrino search
  - Long lasting puzzle that needs a solution before DUNE searches for Lepton CP violation
- Neutrino Cross section measurements on Argon
  - Unmatched mix of statistics and resolution
  - Data will become a legacy for the whole community
- Beyond standard model physics
  - Many explanations for MiniBooNE electromagnetic excess
    - Fermilab theory group very active and engaging with SBN people
- Detector physics performance useful in preparation for DUNE

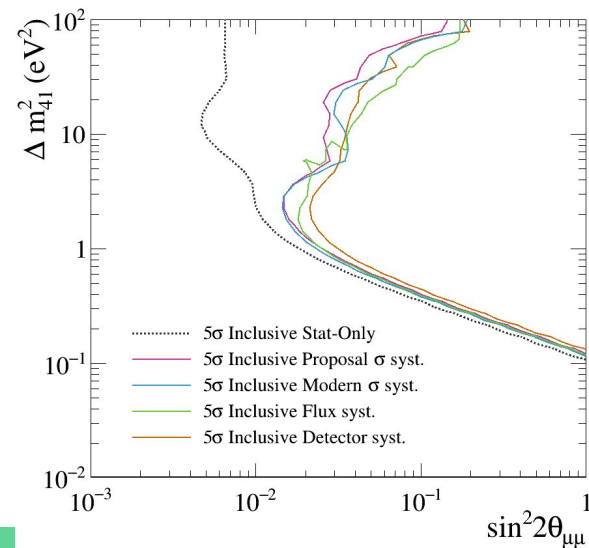
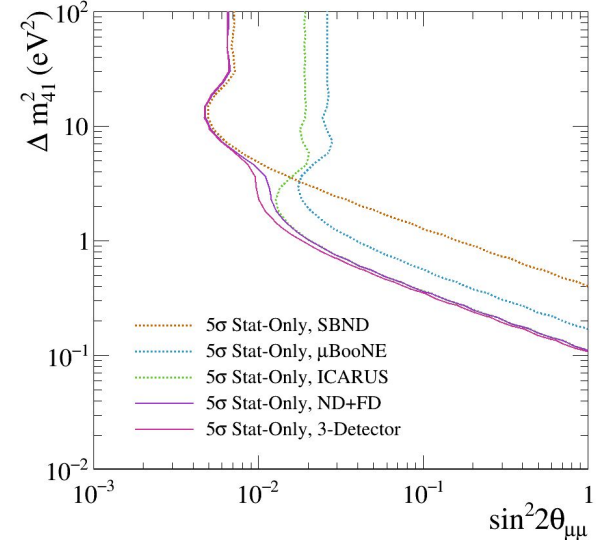
# Analysis structure and Liverpool's roles



- Structure of the analysis organisation
  - Organised at the SBN program level
  - Structure re-adopted internally in SBND
- Liverpool has two convenerships
  - Systematic and oscillation
  - Generators

# Oscillation analysis

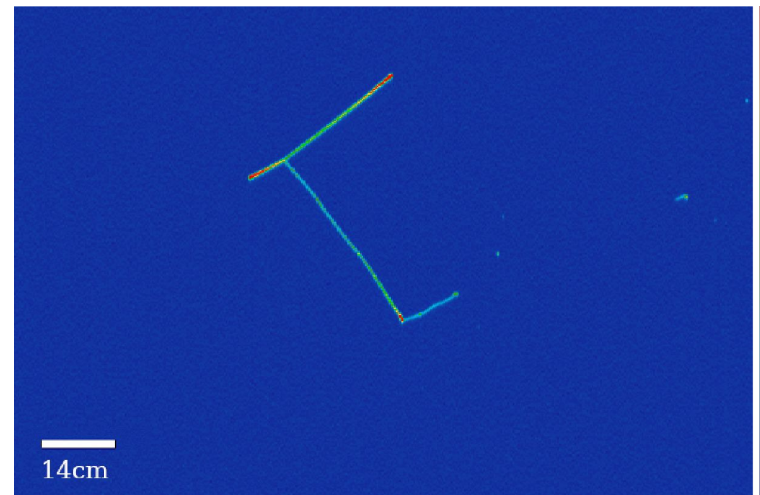
- A number of different analyses
  - muon disappearance ([Rhiannon Jones](#))
  - electron appearance ([Thomas Ham](#))
  - Inclusive samples so far versions
- Systematic studies have a specific place
  - On top of sensitivity analyses
  - Mock data studies ([Rhiannon Jones](#))
    - To check the model dependencies
  - Model extensions and tuning ([Julia Tena-Vidal](#))





# Event Reconstruction in Liquid Argon

- Event reconstruction is one of the technical challenges of LAr TPC technology
  - It has to be automatic
  - deal with a lot of information
- Liverpool group is involved in these activities
  - [Rhiannon Jones](#)
    - Implemented the first selection tool available for the Collaboration
  - [Jaggar Henzerling](#)
    - selection tools based on Machine learning

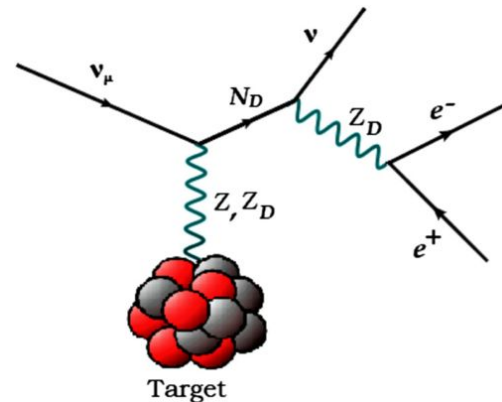


Example of 2p2h event

- 2 protons (back to back)
- 1 muon  $\rightarrow$  electron

# BSM physics

- Models are required to be added to generators ([M. Roda](#))
  - In order to make sensitivity analyses for BSM physics
- So far focus on the Dark neutrino sector
  - Heavy neutral lepton O(100 MeV)
  - coupling with a light neutral boson O(10 MeV) - also coupling with EM charge
  - Neutrino interactions producing electron-pairs from the decay of the dark neutrino
  - Dominant scattering type is coherent interaction



$$\nu_\alpha = \sum_{i=1}^3 U_{ai} \nu_i + U_{\alpha 4} N_D, \quad \alpha = e, \mu, \tau, D$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_D \supset & \frac{m_{Z_D}^2}{2} Z_{D\mu} Z_D^\mu + g_D Z_D^\mu \bar{\nu}_D \gamma_\mu \nu_D + e \epsilon Z_D^\mu J_\mu^{\text{em}} \\ & + \frac{g}{c_W} \epsilon' Z_D^\mu J_\mu^Z, \end{aligned}$$

# Proposed Plans

- Commissioning

- With the start of operations Payne will move full time to FNAL
  - As run coordinator

- Analysis

- Costas will continue coordinate the overall SBN oscillation analysis effort
- Marco will keep acting as Physics Generators WG convener
- Main goals
  - joint analyses of different SBN exclusive channels
  - Extend the neutrino-argon interactions cross section measurements
  - support the development of appropriate theoretical model uncertainties

# Conclusions

- You have seen a quick overview of the SBND experiment
  - Status
  - Liverpool contributions
- Delayed due to pandemic
  - work is proceeding
  - We published the first 2 SBND Collaboration articles in 2020
    - <https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1088/1748-0221/15/06/P06033>
- Clearly this is not the end of the story
  - Experience gained here will be fundamental for DUNE
    - Same technology, similar implementation
  - Liverpool very much involved as well
    - But that's a story for another talk

# Backup

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