

# Some Mundane Details

1. Getting help: see Aspasia (Rm 213) or Henry (Rm320) for help with lodging, transportation (e.g. cabs), food, .. Mary Heintz for computer/wireless/etc.
2. Wireless is HEPWAP4- runs on timer
3. Building is open Friday-we will have to prop open the HEP side door Sat.
4. Please do not take the Red Line or Green Line CTA- use cabs or Metra or the CTA #6 bus (ask Ossy about the Green Line);
5. Lunch will be brought in today and Sat; Friday dinner is at Cedars on 53<sup>rd</sup> St.

# Goals of the Workshop

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## Outline

1. Context
2. What Do We Need?
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# Context

Phototube technology is being stressed by the lure of SiPMT's, shrinking scientific markets, and market forces- and yet there are areas in which PMT's and MCP-PMT's are unsurpassed:

1. **Large-area** ( $>$  or  $\gg m^2$  -- whole-body PET, neutrons, animal PET, neutrinos, colliders, fixed-target);
2. **Gain** ( $> 10^7$ )
3. **Noise** ( $< 0.1$  counts/cm<sup>2</sup> from MCP pair)
4. **Gain x bandwidth x area/cost**  
(New Figure of Merit  $\sim 10^{18} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ sec}^{-1} \text{ \$}^{-1}$ )  
(can we define a new unit? - the ? Need 1/resolution too..)

# What Do We Need?

1. Higher efficiency (form factor x QE ...)
  2. New Assembly methods for large-areas
  3. High and tight yields
  4. Integrated systems optimized for specific applications
  5. Extension into new areas in parameter space (time, space, rate, hardness, wavelength,...)
  6. `The pull of the customer' (Michael M)
- All these lead to lower cost; but the PC drives

It would be a tragedy to lose the knowledge and a healthy competitive environment for vacuum photodevices

# The goals of the 1<sup>st</sup> workshop:

Klaus slide from 1<sup>st</sup> Cathode Workshop:

## What is Our Goals?

1. Discuss and agree on the basic underlying physics processes (Finding a common Language) **Yes**
2. Bring up and explore new directions, materials, techniques, and geometries **Yes**
3. Elucidate the trade –offs between conventional choices: transparent/reflective, bialkali/III-V, etc. **?**
4. Clarify the requirements for large-area photo-cathodes (Vacuum, fabrication, lifetime, mechanical & chemical) **Yes**
5. Identify the most promising conventional materials for high-QE, low-noise cathodes in the 300-500nm range **Yes**
6. Identify additional resources, facilities, and (possibly) collaborative efforts **Yes**
7. Contribute to narrowing the possibilities for this year's work on photo-cathodes to a few most promising paths **Yes**

# The Three Criteria: \*

Long lifetime of the device & easy to assembly

High efficiency & bandwidth optimization

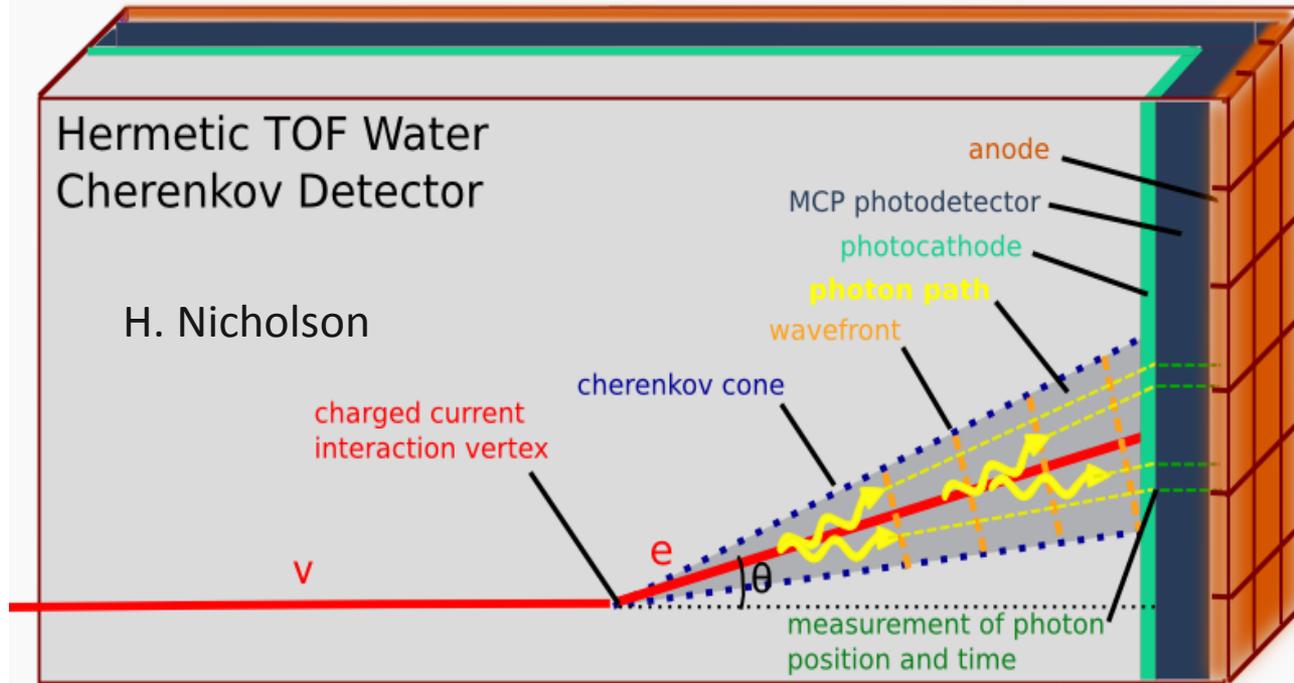
“Good” noise behavior

What is the best structure for a good and cost-efficient Photocathode?

\* Klaus slide from 1<sup>st</sup> Workshop on Photo-cathodes: 300-500nm July 20-21, 2009: University of Chicago

# Neutrino Physics

**Need:** lower the cost and extend the reach of large neutrino detectors



**Approach:** measure the arrival times and positions of photons and reconstruct tracks in water

**Benefit:** Factor of 5 less volume needed, cost.

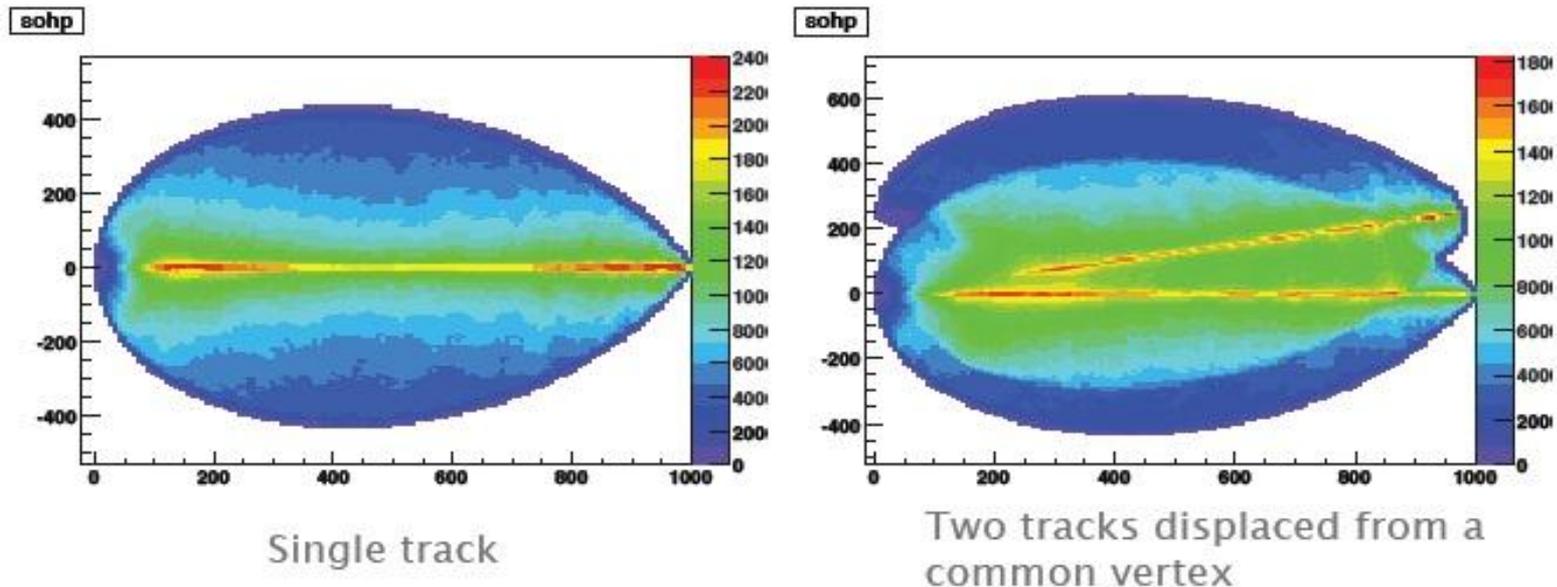
**Competition-** large PMT's, Liquid Argon

# Can we build a photon TPC?

## Track Reconstruction Using an "Isochron Transform"

Results of a toy Monte Carlo with perfect resolution

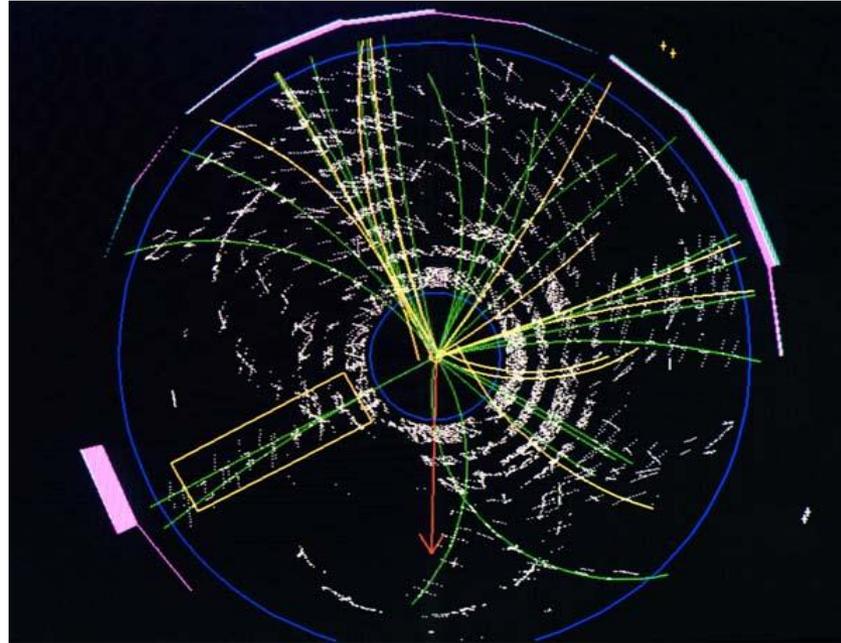
Color scale shows the likelihood that light on the Cherenkov ring came from a particular point in space. Concentration of red and yellow pixels cluster around likely tracks



Work of Matt Wetstein (Argonne,&Chicago) in his spare time (sic)

# Colliders:

Need: 1) identify the quark content of charged particles  
2) vertex photons

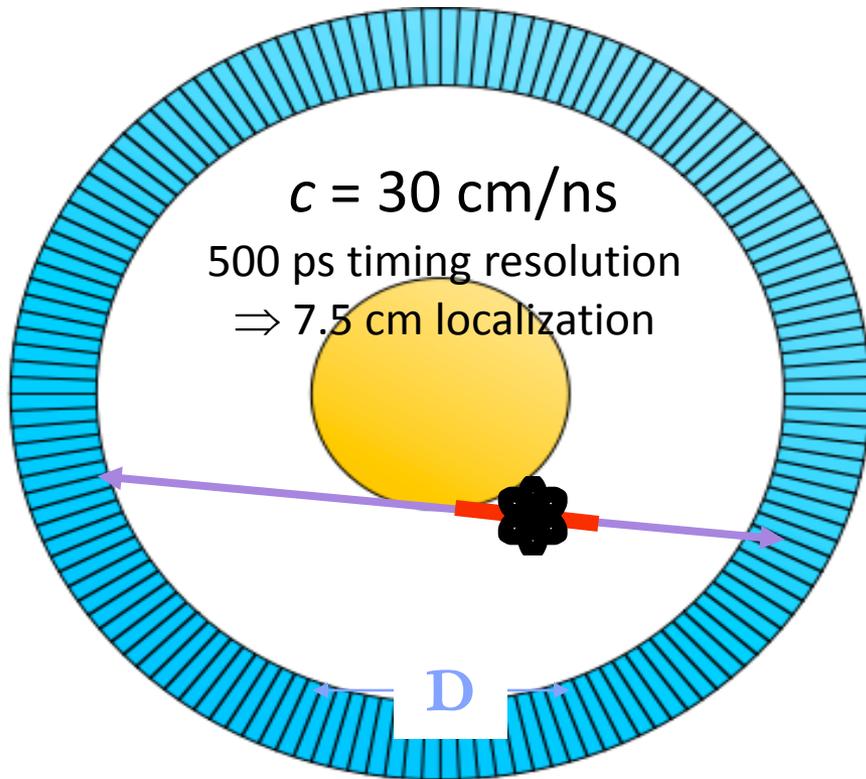


Extract *all* the information in each event (4-vectors) – only spins remain...

Approach: measure the difference in arrival times of photons and charged particles which arrive a few psec later. Light source is Cherenkov light in the window/radiator.  
Benefit: Discoveries in signatures not possible now (Note: conventional TOF resolution is 100 psec -factor of 100 worse than our goal= 1" is 100 psec, so need a small scale-length).

# Application 3- Medical Imaging (PET)

Bill Moses Slide (Lyon)



Can localize source along line of flight.

Time of flight information reduces noise in images.

Variance reduction given by  $2D/c\Delta t$ .

500 ps timing resolution  $\Rightarrow 5x$  reduction in variance!

Time of Flight Provides a *Huge* Performance Increase!  
Largest Improvement in Large Patients

# Goals of the Workshop

The proposed goals of the workshop are to:

1. Understand deeply the chemistry and physics of alkali photocathodes.
2. Discuss/propose experiments, measurements and theory that would answer remaining questions;
3. Foster collaborative efforts to bring a broad and powerful variety of photodetectors with high QE into the application areas.