

# **Design Parameters**

## **Sessions A1.1 and A2.1**

Plenary Report

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- no problems with Coriolis force

**North Pole !**



# ApPEC Recommendations Neutrino Telescopes

- With the aim of constructing a detector of km<sup>3</sup> scale in the Northern hemisphere, both in view of size and competition with IceCube: form a single coherent collaboration collecting *all* the efforts underway
- Prepare report to ApPEC PRC with following informations:
  - optical properties of water, incl. seasonal variations and using the same devices
  - optical background and sedimentation
  - comparative simulations about impact of depth and water properties to some benchmark km<sup>3</sup> detectors (focussing to the central goals of Nu Telescopes)
- Single design study in the European FP6 framework
- New review in one year (summer 2004)

## Promising steps:


- Long term measurement of sedimentation a la Antares at NEMO site (just one example)
- next: measurement of volume scattering function
- Collaborations envisage to cross calibrate site informations by measuring water parameters at NESTOR site with AC-9 device
- Comparative studies of detectors at different depths, with different noise rates and with 3 principal architectures have been done in a first approach (Dmitry Zaborov, Piera Sapienza). Also Nestor has done a lot of km<sup>3</sup> simulations.

## Next steps in simulation:

Form a task force group on detector simulation:

- Agree on a working plan (October)
- Input to application for a European Design Study (November)
- First results on comparative studies to ApPEC (Next spring/summer)
- don't prioritize site decision in initial phase but just simulate benchmark detectors characterized by a tuple of basic parameters (say depth 2.5, 3.5 and 4.5 km, noise 25,50 kHz and „high“, 3-4 basic architectures)

- Translate to the „real site language“ in a later step
- only then, pure physics arguments should be confronted with technology/infrastructure etc. arguments
- a site which is clearly weaker in „physics performance“ would have to have strong arguments on the technology/infrastructure site to be selected for a km<sup>3</sup> detector
- Input from the performance of detectors at the Antares/Nestor site as early as possible (not for simulations but for a final decision on architecture and site).

	<b>ANTARES</b>	<b>NEMO</b>	<b>NESTOR</b>
Depth (km):	2.4	3.4	4-5
<i>Factor downward muon intensity</i>		← ~5 →	← ~3 →
Absorption length (m):	50 (60)	65	55-70
	Same device		
External steady noise: (kHz/8 inch tube)	40-60	20-30	20-30 (10")
Sedimentation:	strong	smaller	smaller
Distance to shore (km):	20 (10)	70 (70)	20 (15)
			 Shore station (closest shore)

- Background from misreconstructed downward muons
- Visibility of sky
- Influence of bioluminescence.  
dead-times and background rejection
- Limitations due to sedimentation/biofouling (up/down OMs)
- Distance to shore

## Direct effects

Light absorption coefficient (l)	number of Cherenkov photons on PMT
Light scattering coefficient (l)	} timing of Cherenkov photons on PMT
Volume scattering function (l)	
Light refraction index (T, S, P, l)	timing of Cherenkov photons
Optical noise	spurious hits, PMT and electronics dead time

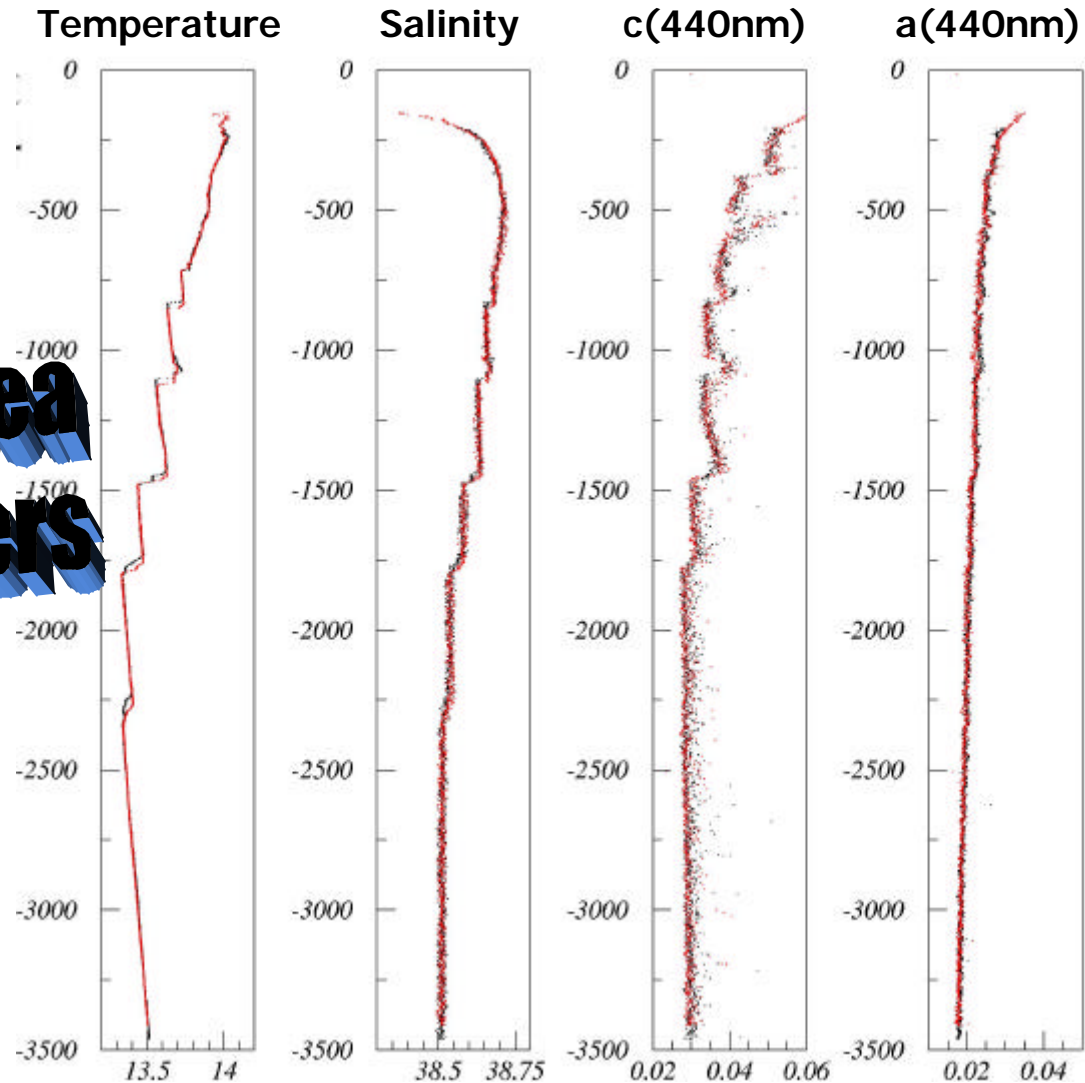
## Indirect effects

Sound velocity (T,S,P)	position of PMTS
Sedimentation rate	light scattering + PMT temporary obscuration
Biofouling	PMT permanent obscuration
Currents	positioning
	increase bioluminescence
	reduce sedimentation

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# Alicuda the Tyrrhenian Sea shows water layers

A.Capone et al., NIM 2001



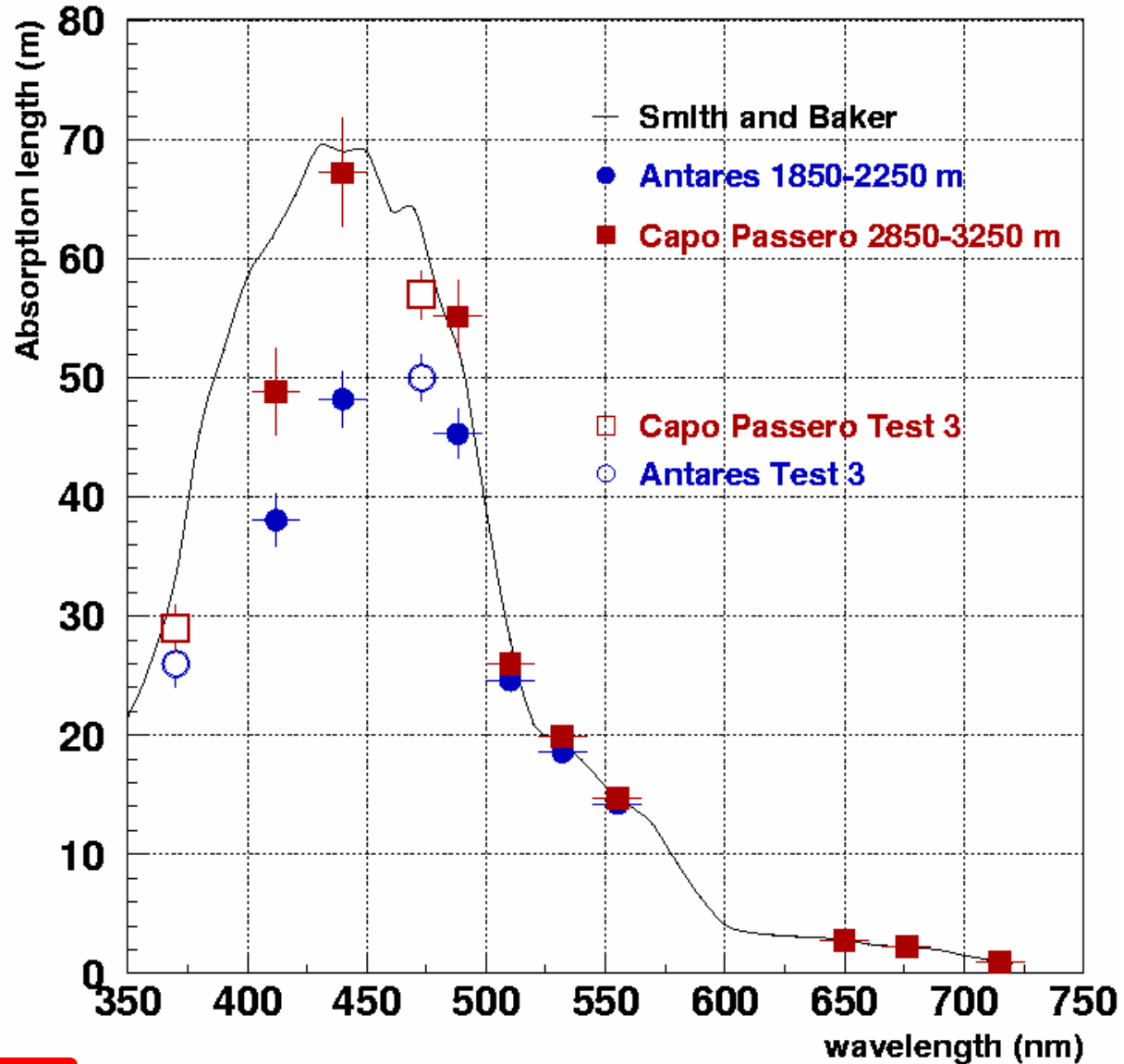
The systematic error is due to the calibration of the instrument.

It has been evaluated to be:  $\Delta a(\lambda) \approx \Delta c(\lambda) \approx 0.002 \text{ m}^{-1}$

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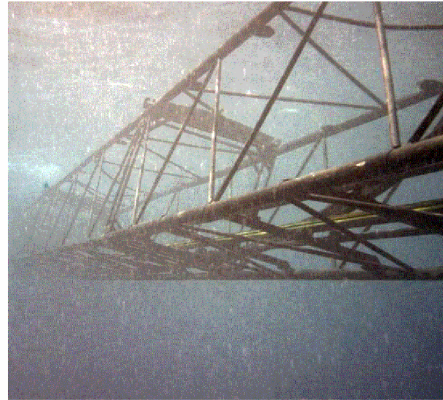
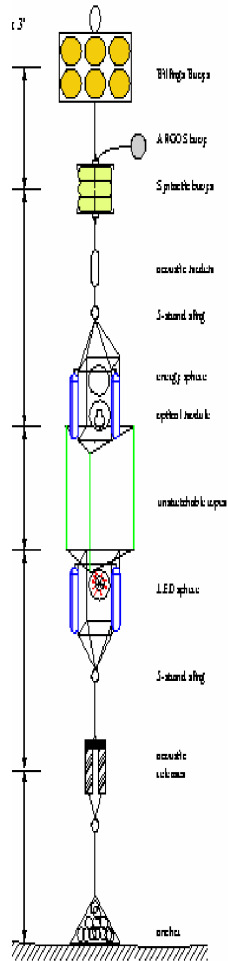


# AC9+Test 3' data: Capo Passero and Toulon

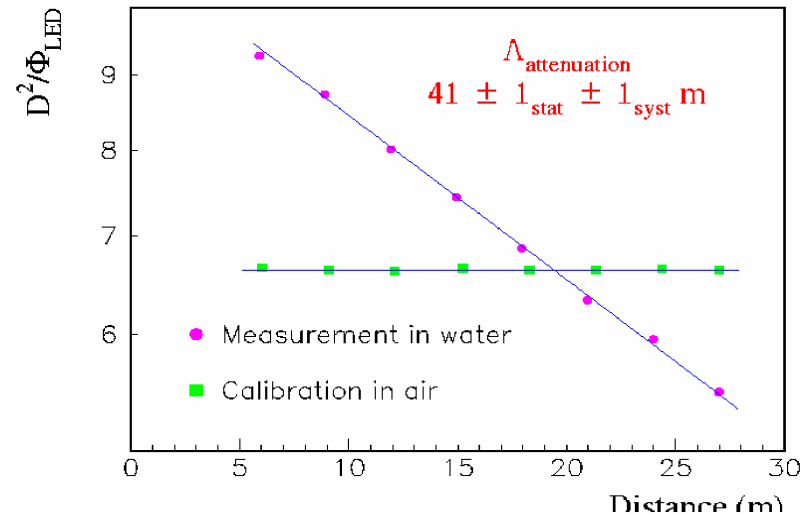
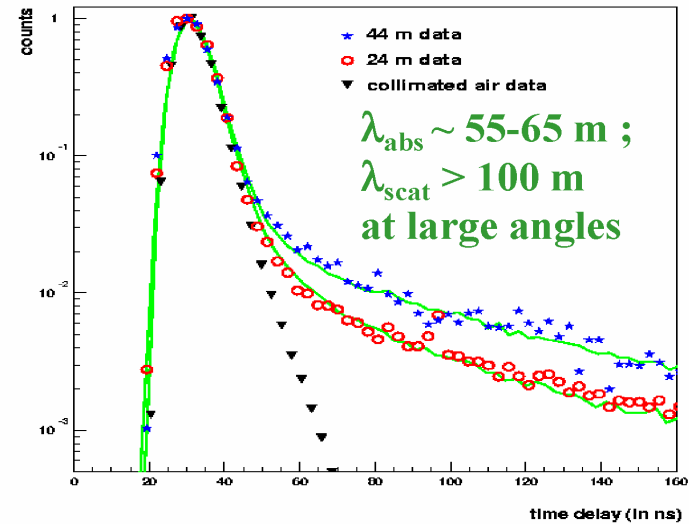


# Toulon data from ANTARES Collaboration

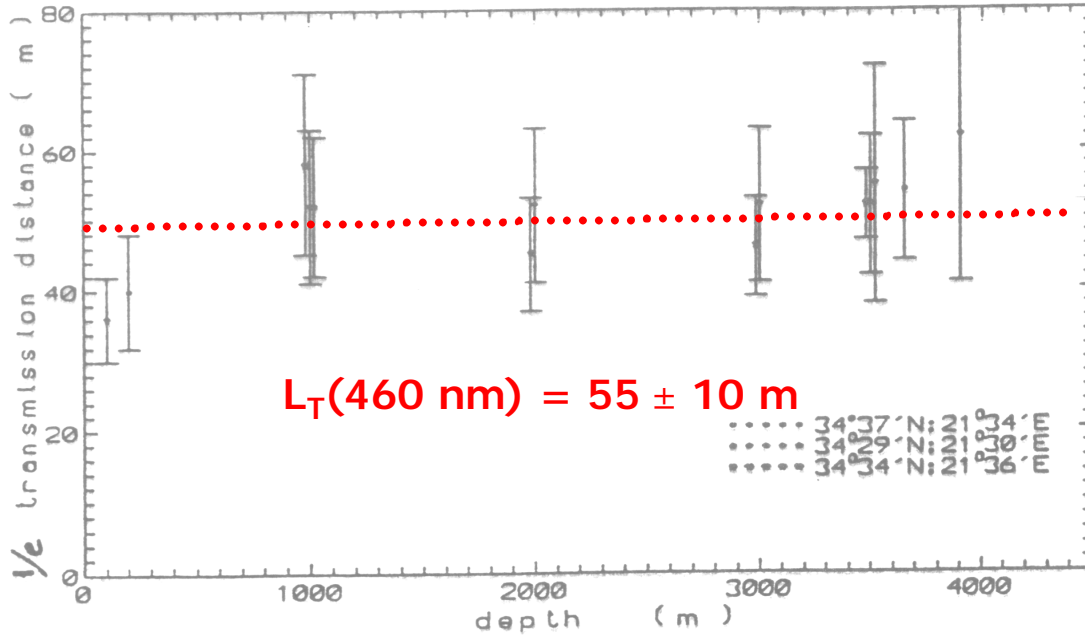
## Water Transparency



Arrival time distribution of photons from a pulsed isotropic source



# Pylos data from NESTOR Collaboration



Transmission length

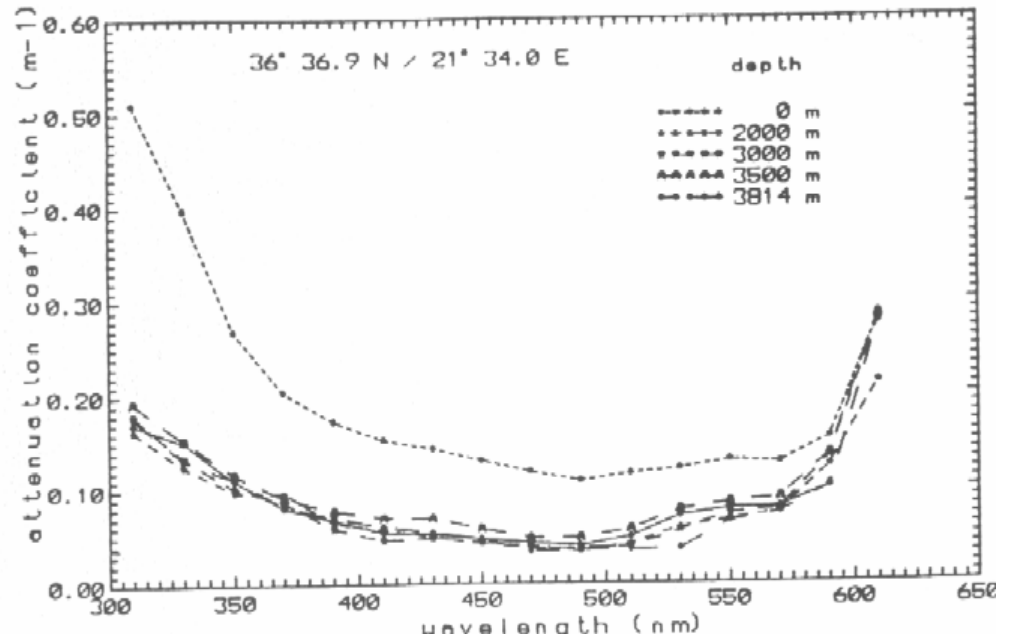
Measured in non-collimated geometry

(Annassontzis et al., NIM 1994)

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Attenuation coefficient

Measured in collimated geometry using deep seawater samples (Khanaev et al., NESTOR 1993)



# Main physics goals proposed as basis for benchmarking procedure

- Point source search (excluding WIMPs) +
  - steady sources ? +
  - transient sources -
  - muons +
  - cascades -
  - energy range ?
  
- WIMPs
  - Earth WIMPs *not competitive with direct searches* -
  - Solar WIMPs +
  - energy range go as low as possible

# Main physics goals proposed as basis for benchmarking procedure (cont'd)

- Atm.neutrino oscillations -
  - not competitive with SK & K2K if not the spacing is made unreasonably small
  - nested array a la NESTOR 7-tower ?
  - proposal: → no optimization goal  
→ no benchmark goal
  
- Oscillation studies with accelerators -
  - too exotic to be included now

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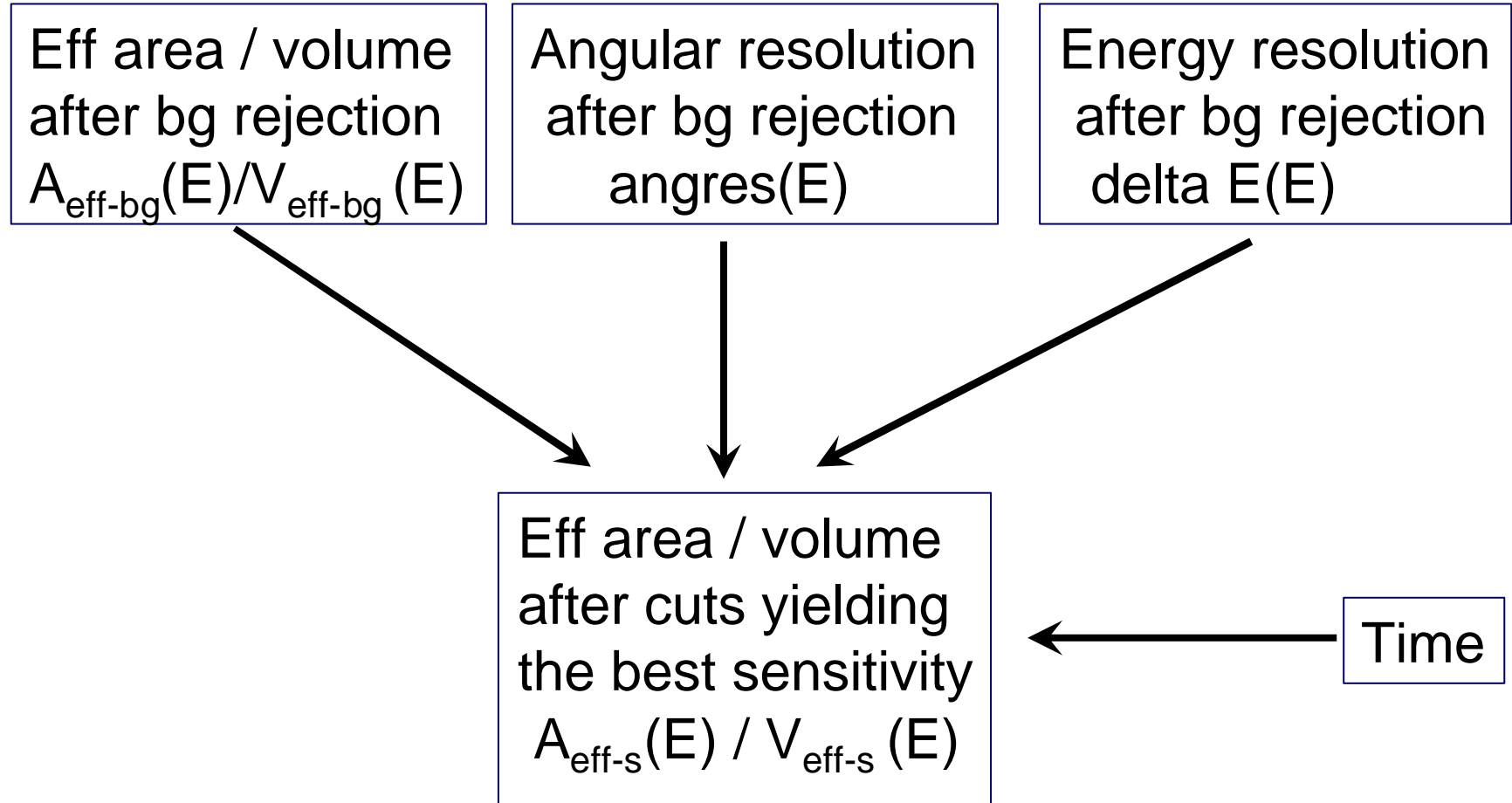
## → Diffuse fluxes

- muons up and down +
- cascades +

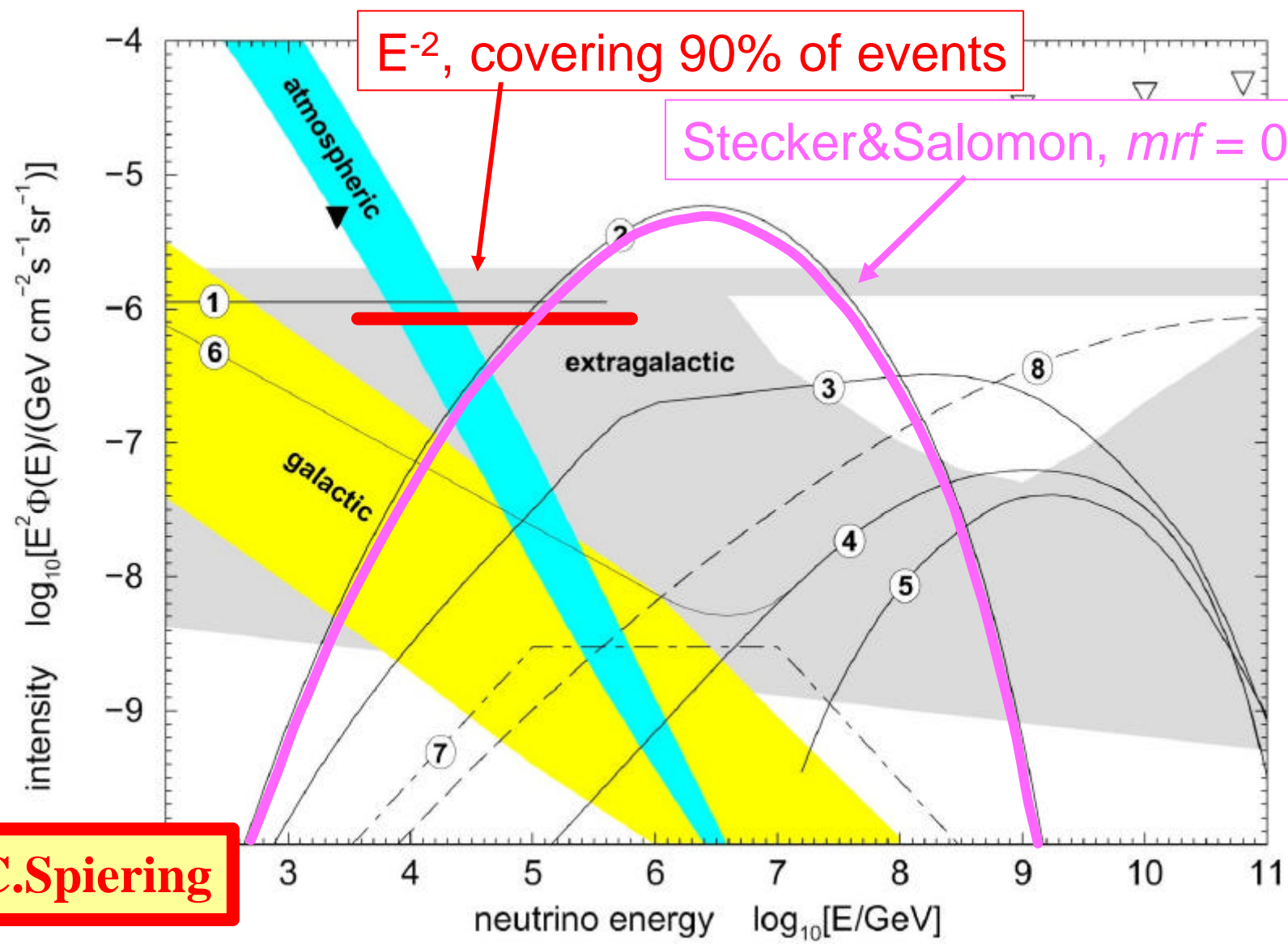
## → Others

- downgoing muons
  - physics -
  - calibration ?
- monopoles -
- slowly moving particles -
- ...

# Benchmark Parameters

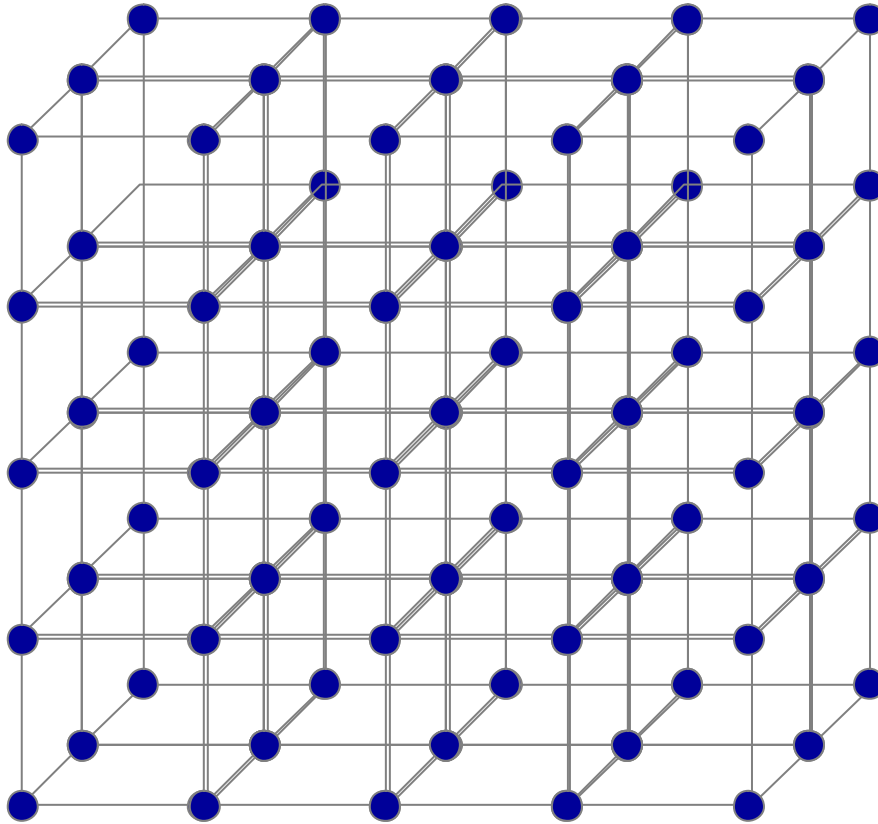


# Integral Limits



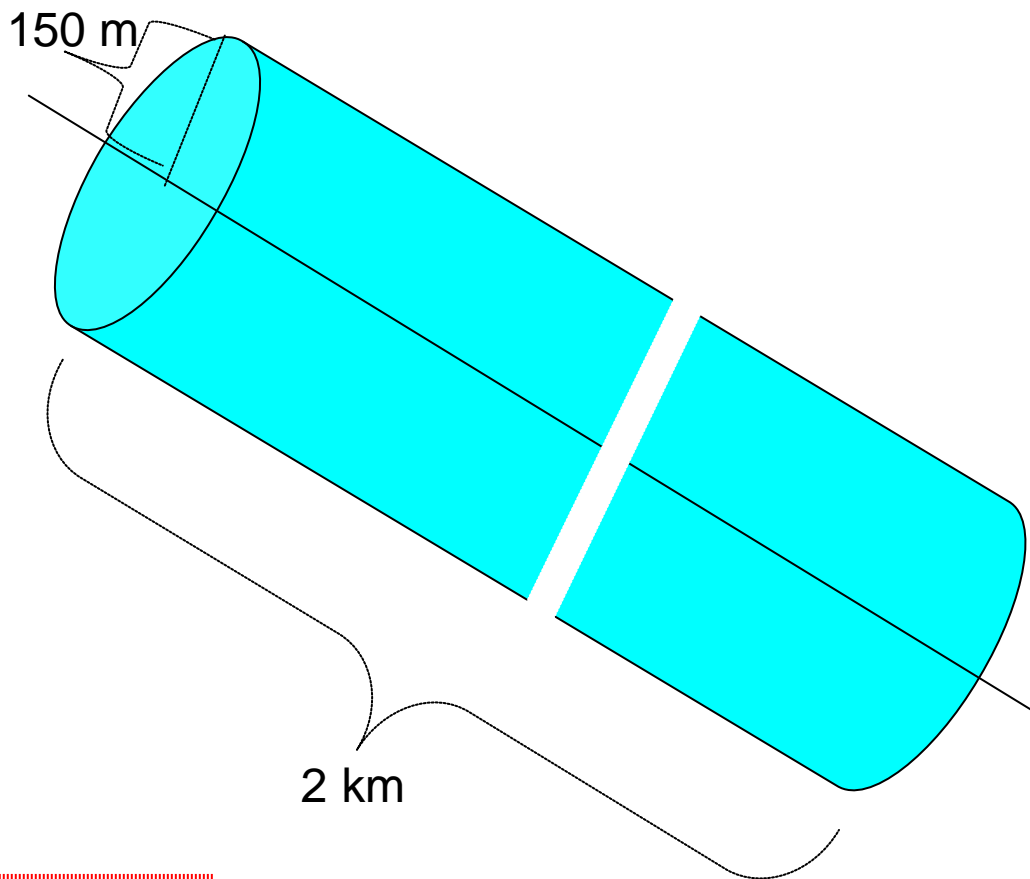


**Can we use a generic, dense detector as the basic tool in our design studies?**



**A GRID type  
Detector**

# Mean Number of “Candidate” PMTs per “Track”



	Mean Number of “Candidate” PMTs per Track
NEMO	550
NESTOR	1070
ANTARES	11000
GRID	140000

## Shadowing

**NESTOR:  $0.4 \cdot 10^{-3}$**

**GRID:  $12 \cdot 10^{-2}$**

# The “obvious” way to proceed

Define the values of the relevant environmental parameters, for the candidate sites, based on published data (water optical properties, K40 background, bioluminescence activity, bio-fouling, atmospheric background fluxes and absorption)

Simulate the response of an optimum detector (at a given site) to  $e$ ,  $\mu$  and  $t$  (vertices). Events are produced equal (or almost equal) probably in phase space.

Use standard tools to simulate the physics processes. Include in the simulation the K40 background.

Simulate in detail the OM response and ignore effects of (in a first approximation will be the same to all the different designs) the readout electronics, triggering and DAQ.

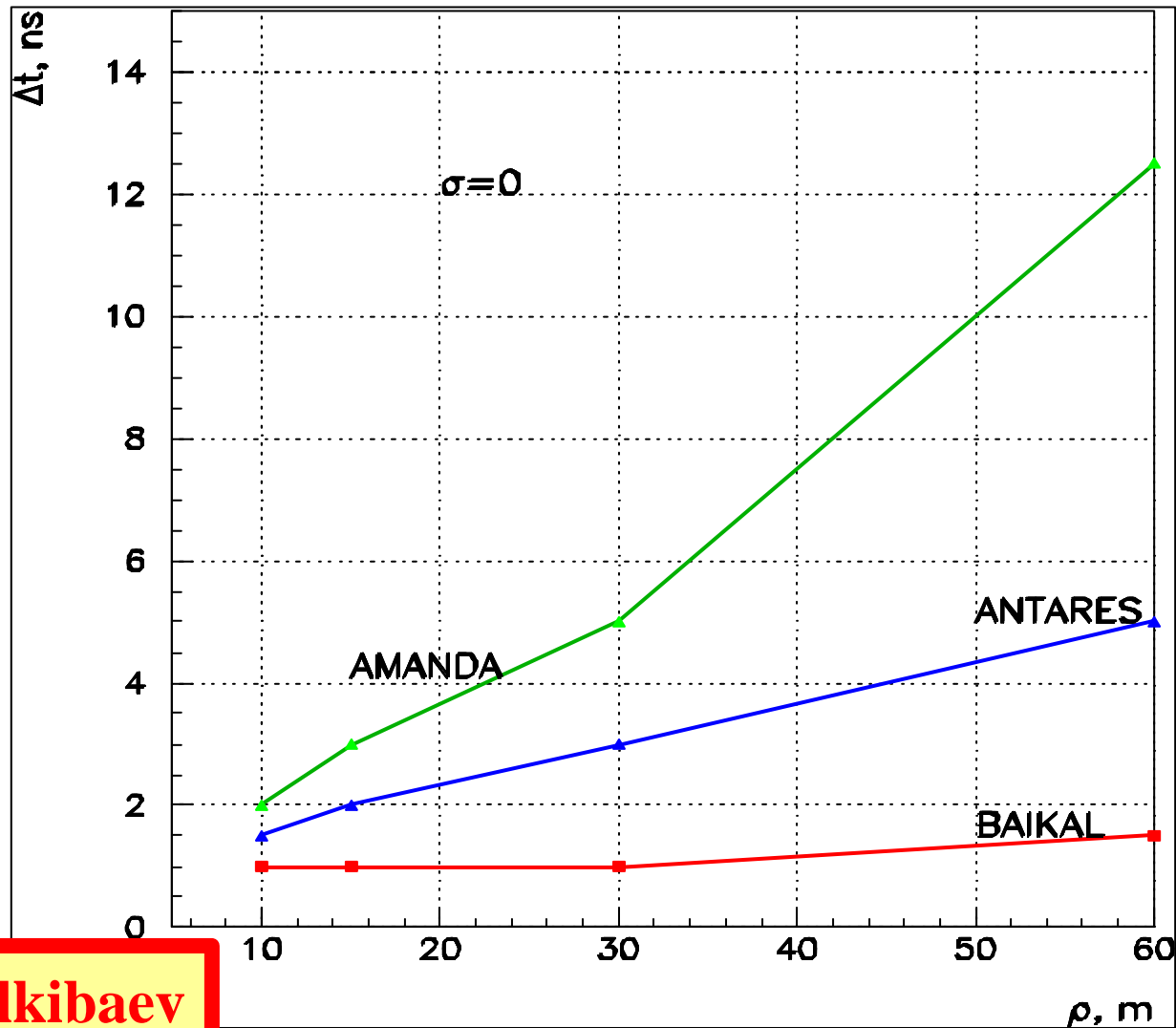
Produce “event tapes” including the “generation” information and the detector response (e.g. deposited charge and arrival time of each PMT pulse). The “event tapes” and the relevant data basis should be available to the other groups.

Reconstruct the events and produce DST’s including the “generation” and reconstructed information (e.g. direction, impact parameter, flavor, energy) for each event. The DSTs should be available to the other groups.

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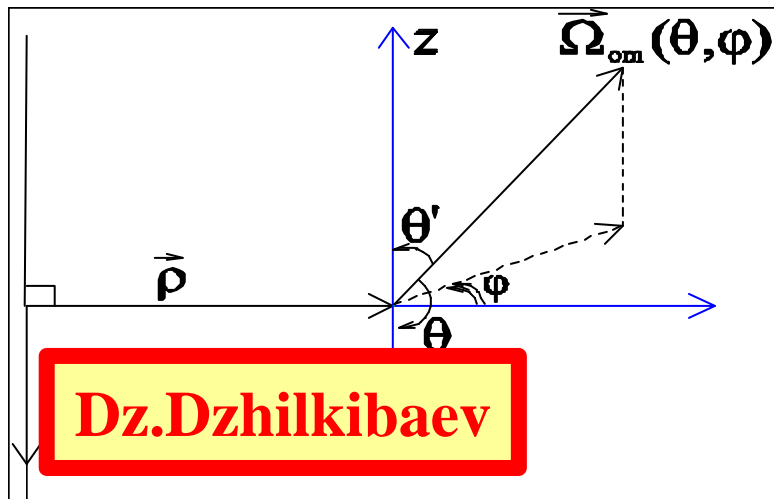
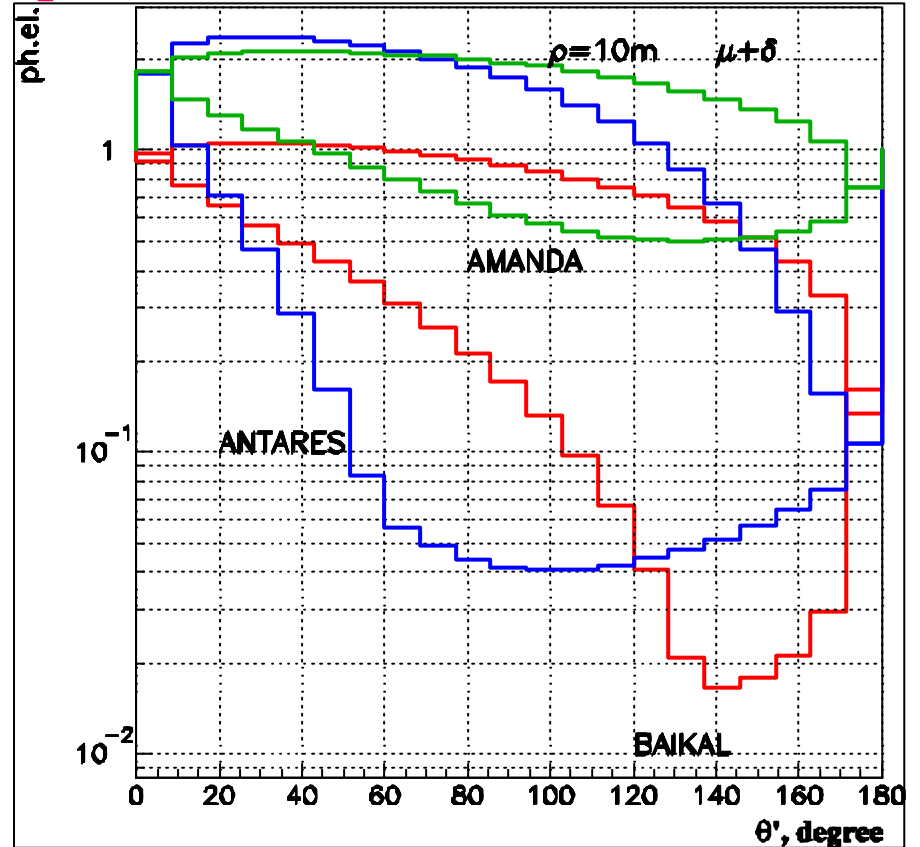
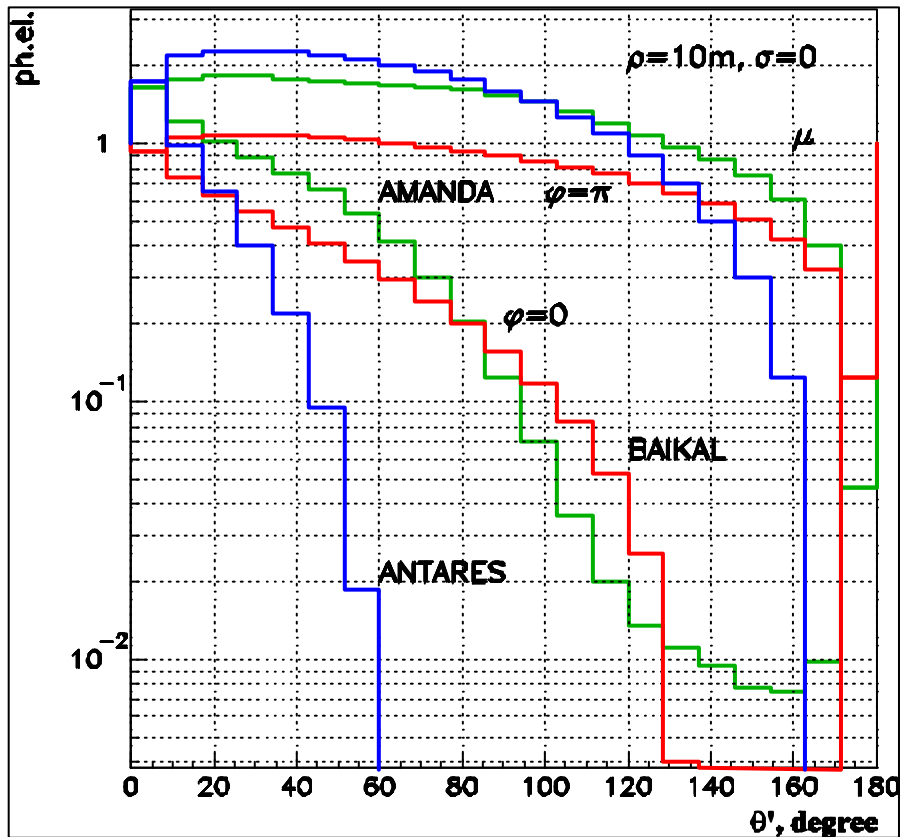
(Ntuples) to express the tracking efficiency and resolution as a function of the direction and energy (and impact parameter)

# FWHM of the time distribution (without scattering)



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# Dependence of OM response on its orientation

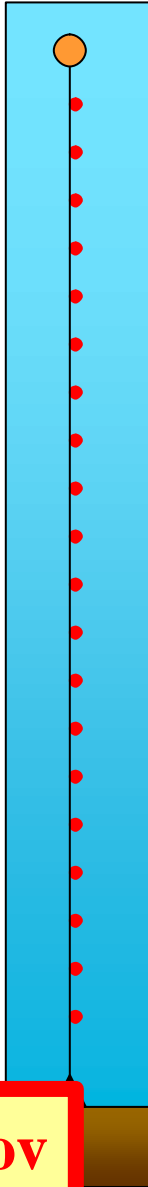


	anisotropy	Blind zone
BAIKAL	$\sim 50$	4 %
ANTARES	$\sim 50$	25 %
AMANDA	$\sim 4$	-

# A large homogeneous KM3 detector (8000 PMTs)

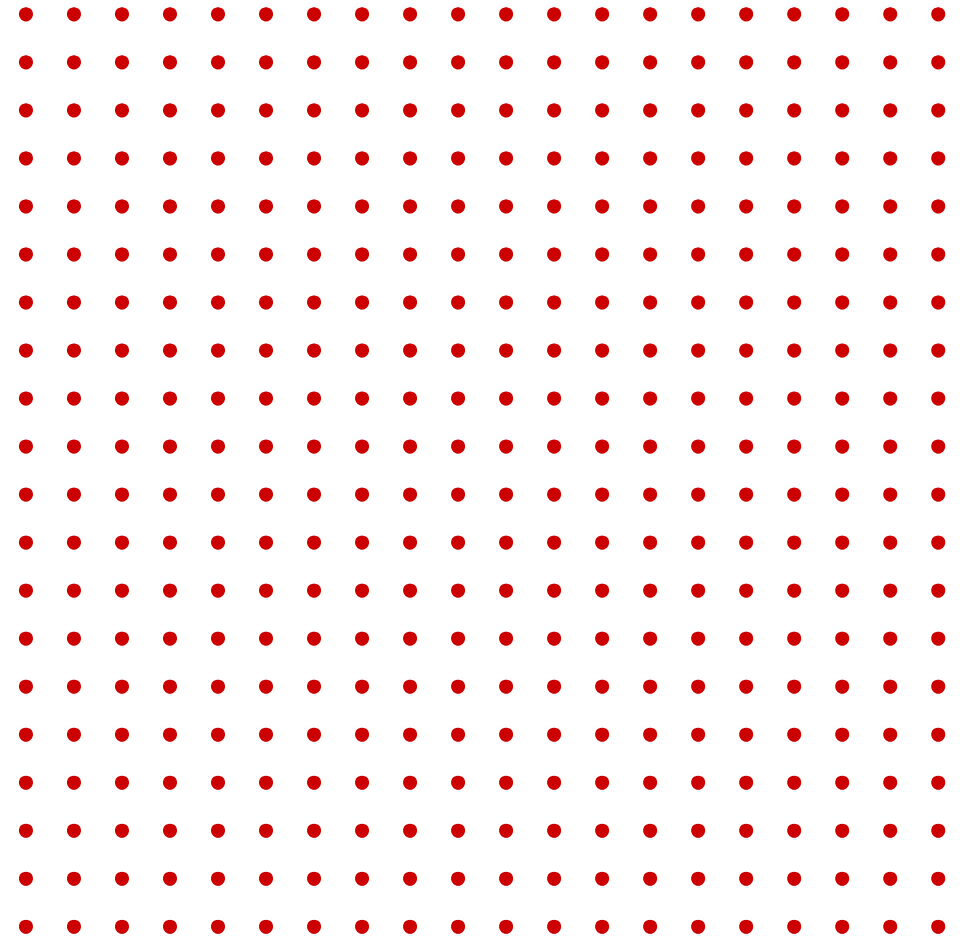
Structure of  
the string

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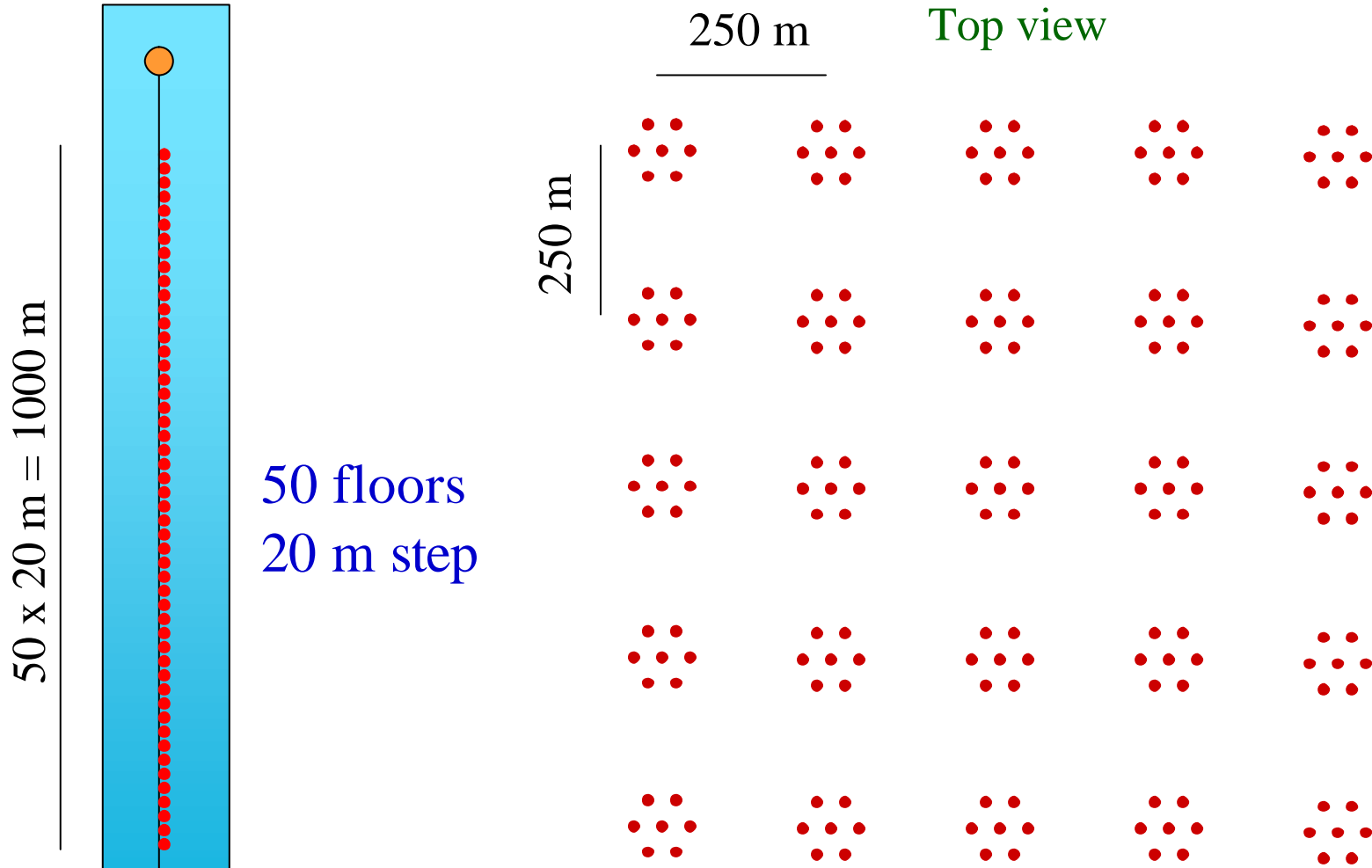
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homogeneous lattice 20 x 20 x 20 downward-looking  
10 " photomultiplier tubes

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# A large NESTOR – like detector (8750 PMTs)

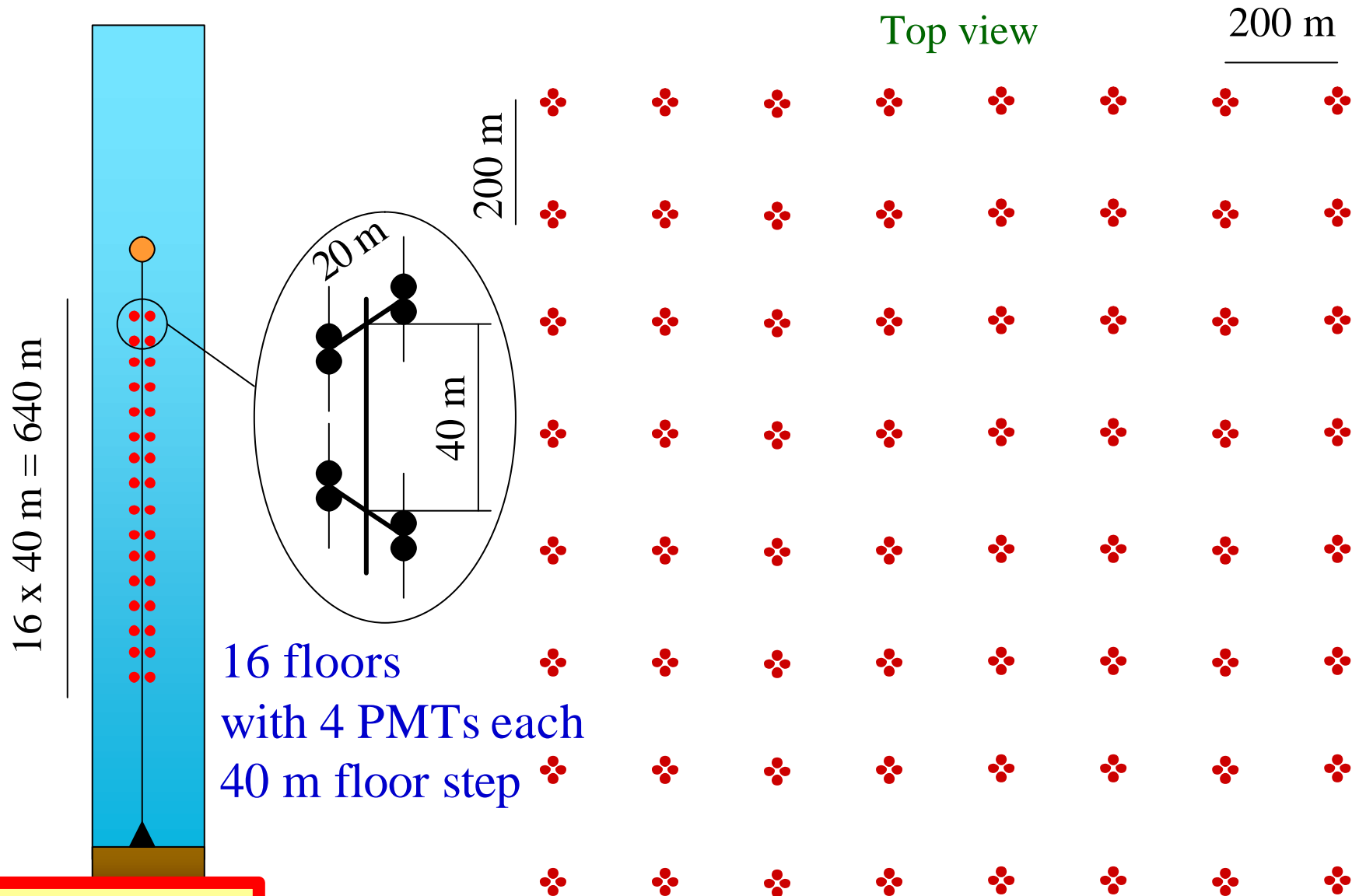


50 floors  
20 m step

25 towers, each consists of 7 strings  
PMTs are directed downwards

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# A large NEMO – like detector (4096 PMTs)

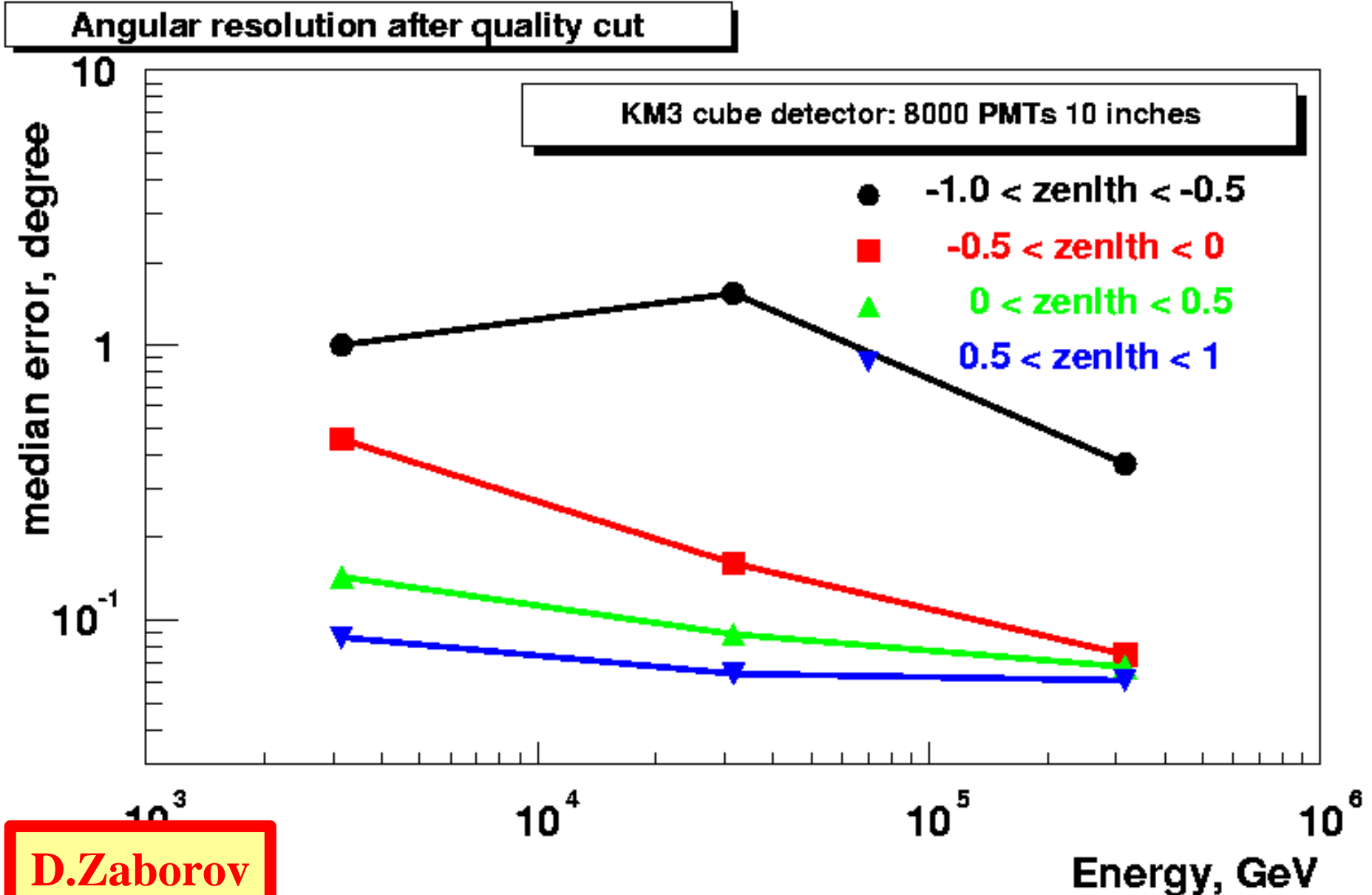


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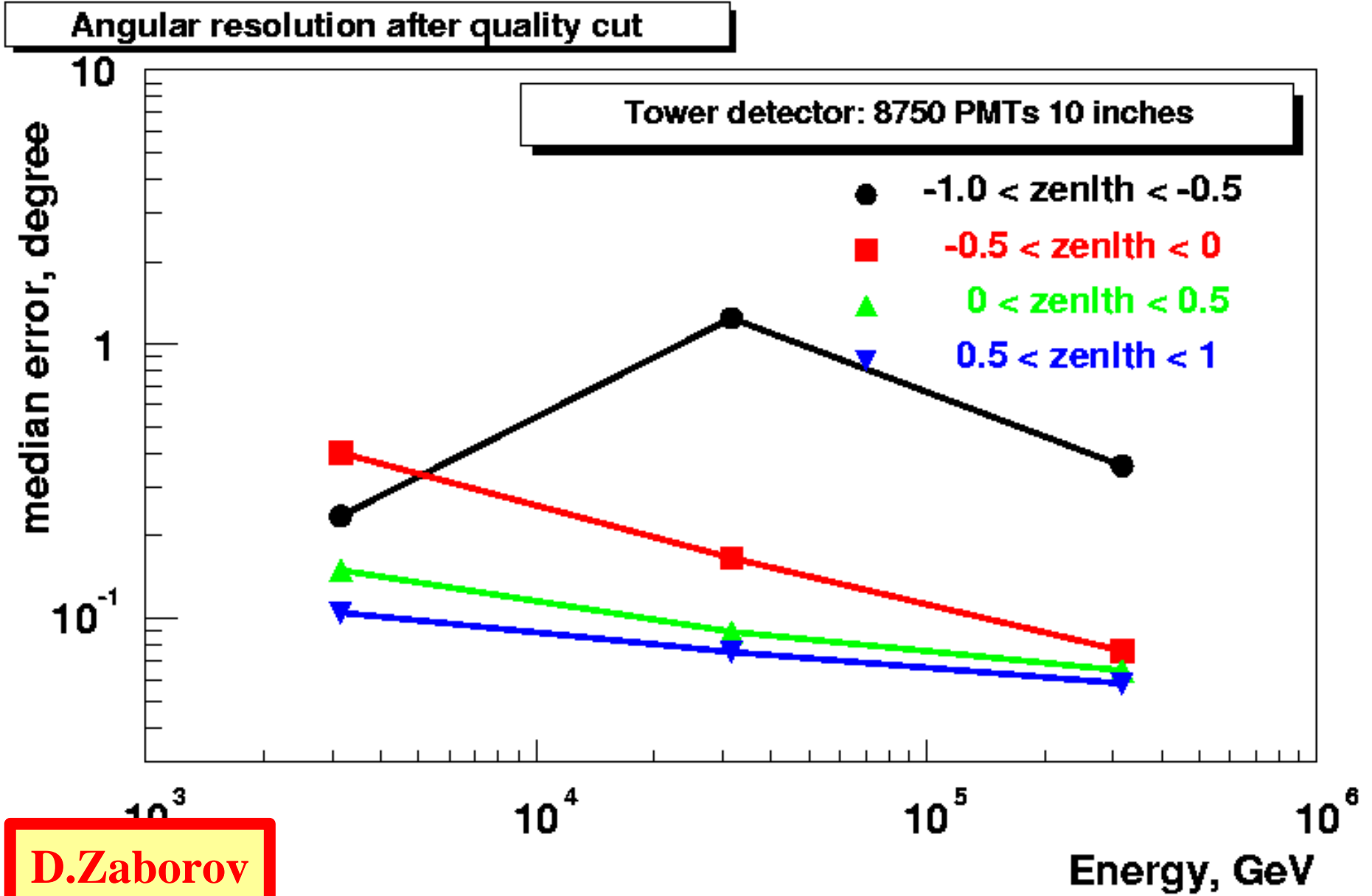
64 NEMO - towers



# Angular resolution of the homogeneous detector

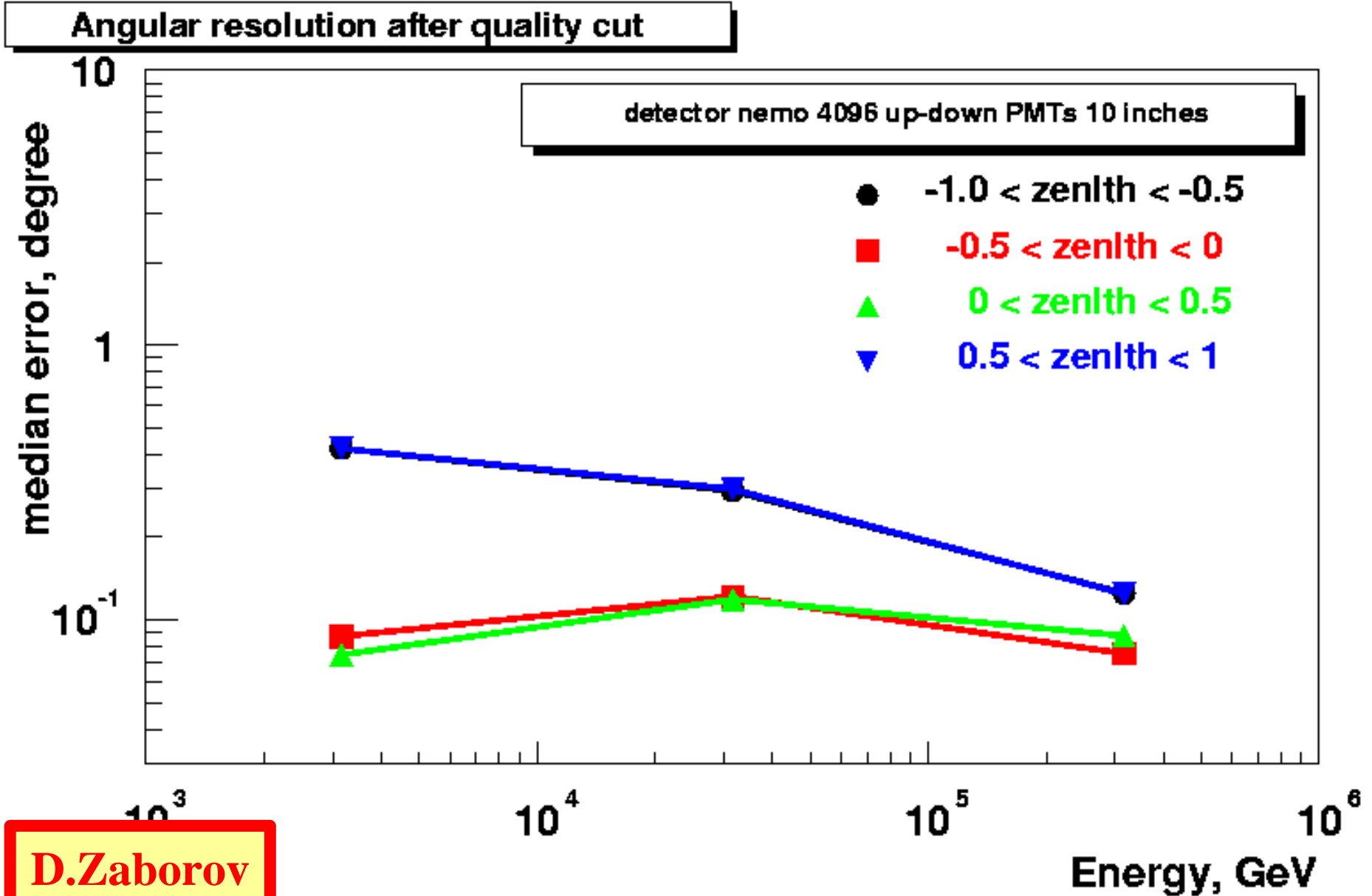


# Angular resolution of the NESTOR-like detector



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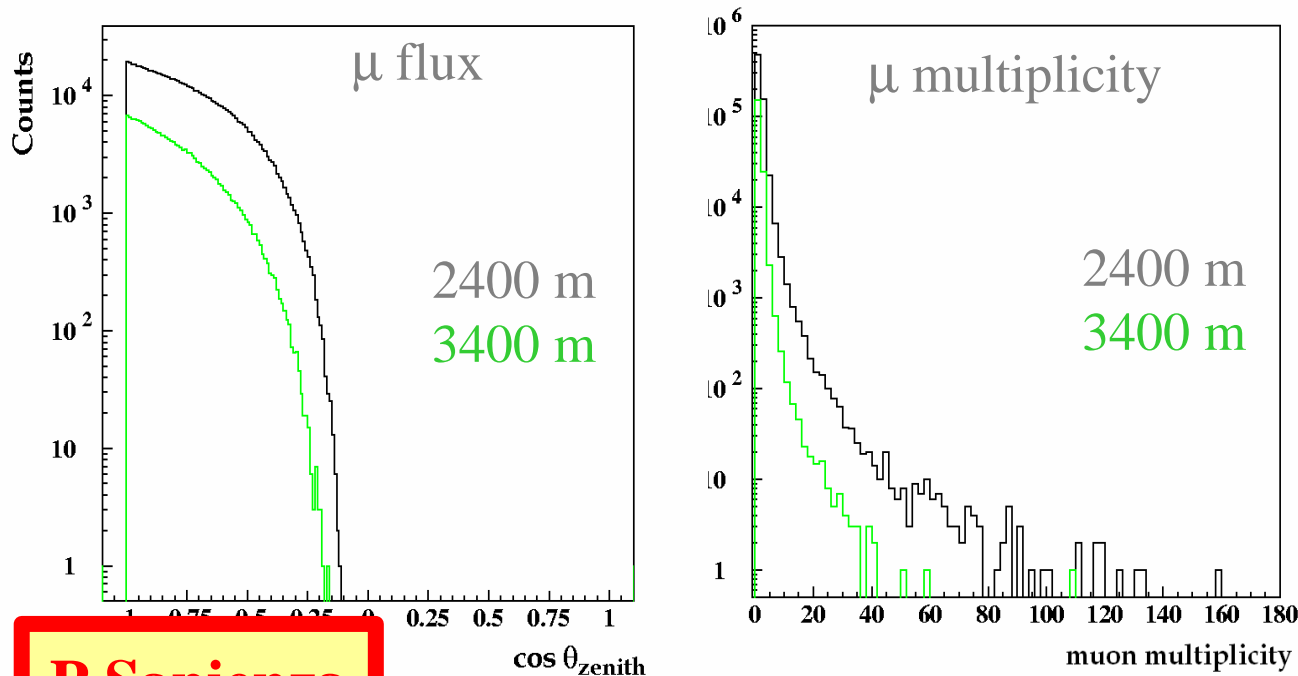
# Angular resolution of the NEMO-like detector



The depth of the site is related to the shielding from atmospheric muons

HEMAS code (vrs7-02) has been used to simulate the atmospheric down-going muon flux at sea level for zenith angles up to about 85°

MUSIC code has been used to propagate muons from sea level to the detector can at 2400 m and 3400 m underwater



**Strong muon flux and multiplicity reduction at 3400 m, especially at large angle  
Effect on detector performance is under investigation**

# Simulation of NEMO detectors with OPNEMO

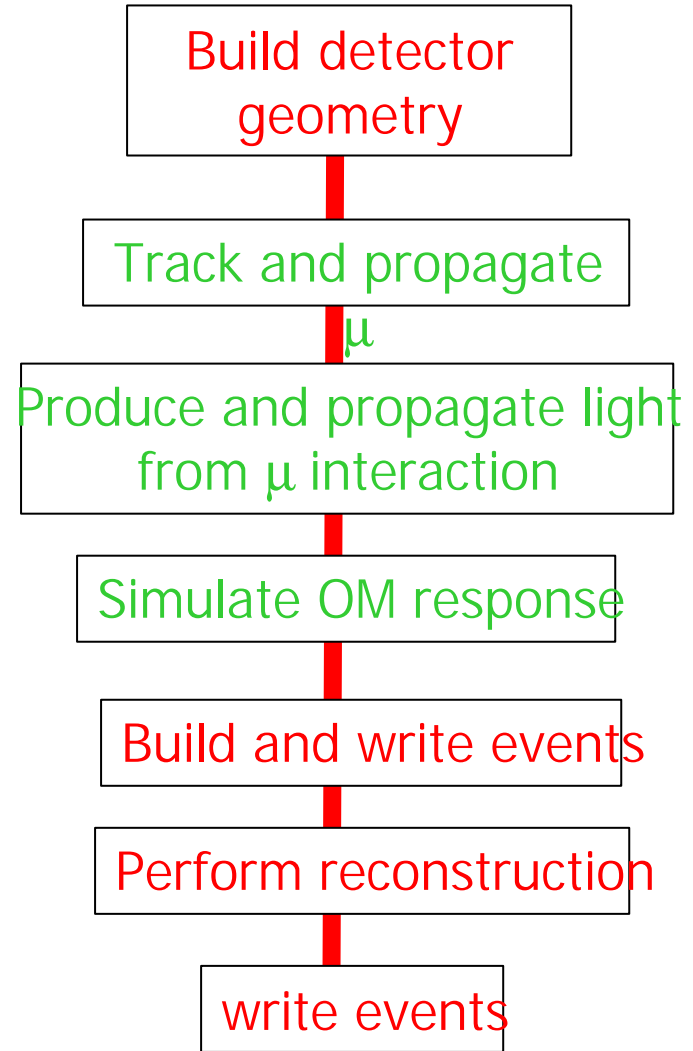
OPNEMO code (S. Bottai and T. Montaruli) is a fast first generation Monte-Carlo tool

OPNEMO has been used to define km<sup>3</sup> detector lay-out and triggers in the NEMO Collaboration

Main limitations:

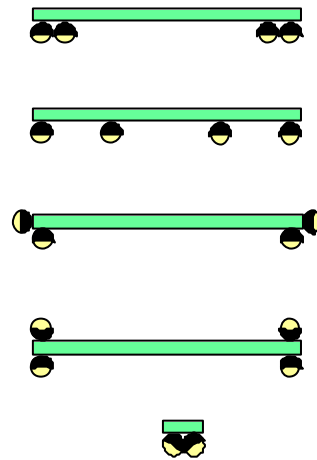
- scattering of light not taken into account
- **track reconstruction in presence of optical background not implemented**
- ...

It has provided indications for the detector lay-out

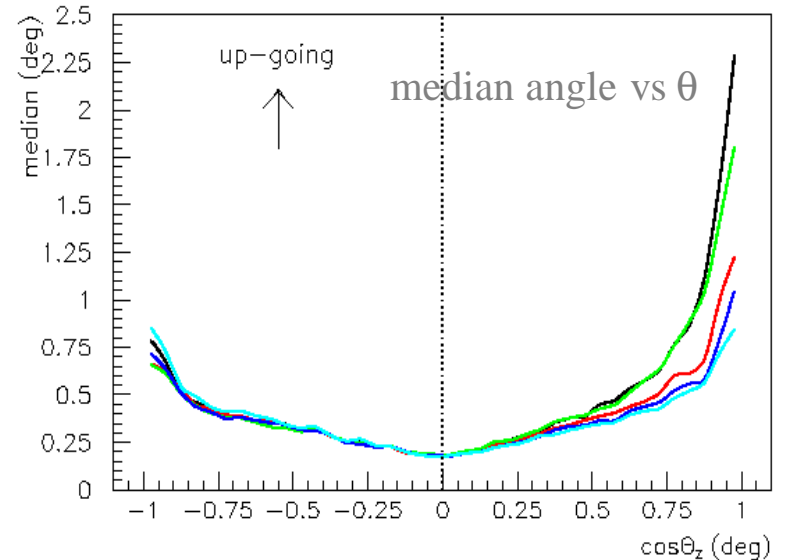
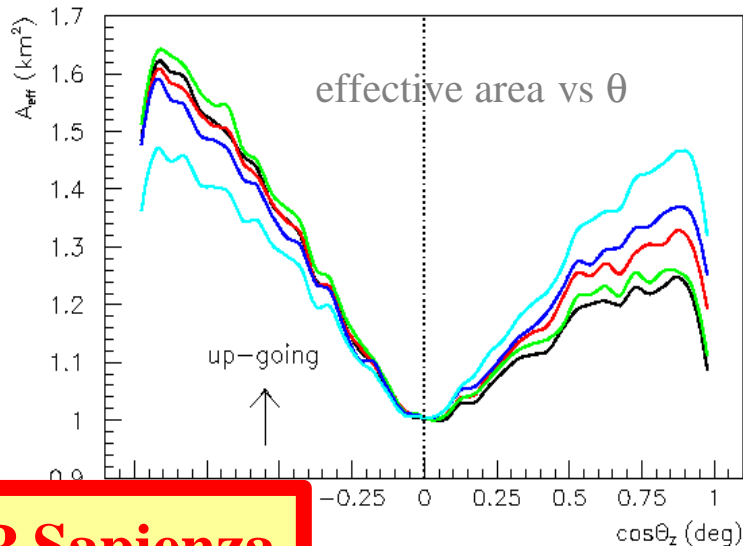
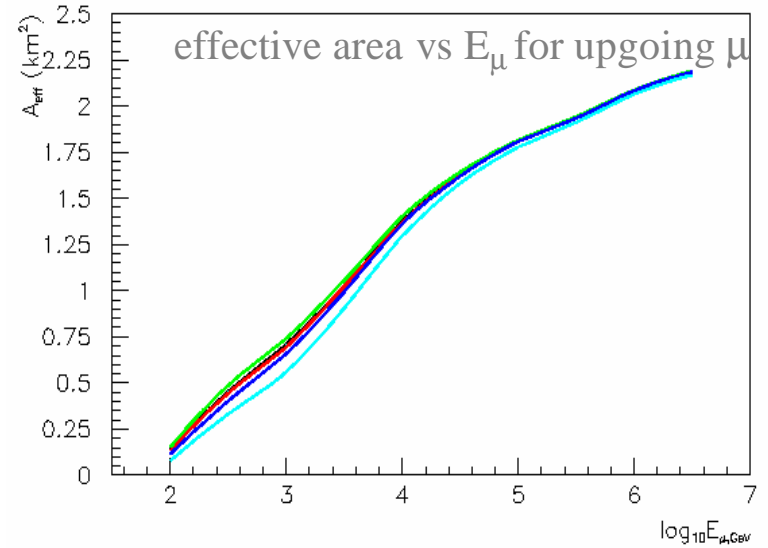


# Detector configurations – OM arrangement - OPNEMO without optical background (C. Distefano et al)

surf.  $\mu$  generation  
 $N_{\text{string/tower}} = 64$   
 $H_{\text{string/tower}} = 600$  m  
 $N_{\text{PMT}} = 4096$   
 $D_{\text{PMT}} = 10''$   
 $S_{\text{PMT}} = 2.5$  nsec  
 $d_{xy} = 180$  m  
 $\lambda_a(450 \text{ nm}) = 40$  m



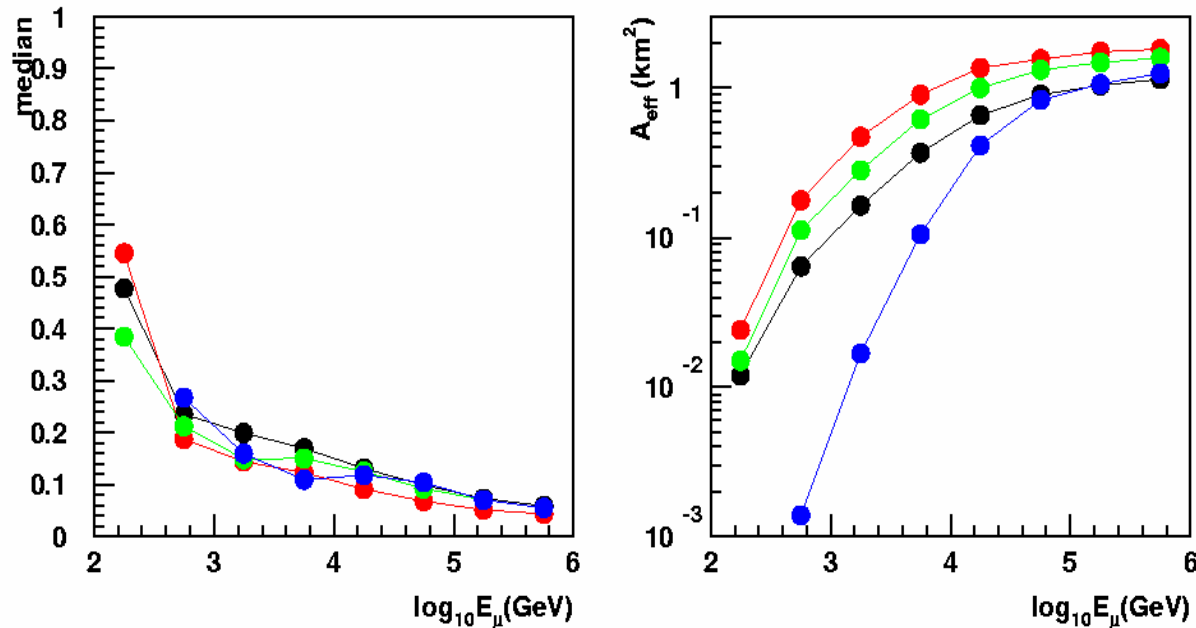
- dd
- 4d
- dh
- ud
- d90



## **Simulations of NEMO detectors with the ANTARES software package (R. Coniglione, P.S. et al)**

During the ANTARES meeting held in Catania on september 2002, the ANTARES and NEMO collaboration agreed to start a stronger cooperation towards the km<sup>3</sup>. In particular, activities concerning site characterization and software were mentioned. By the end of 2002, ANTARES software was installed in Catania by D. Zaborov.

# Optical background dependence



In order to make comparisons for the same angular resolution quality cuts must be applied

**Regular lattice 400 strings 60m x 60m**  
**NEMO 140 dh 9x9 20 kHz with qual. cuts**  
 NEMO 140 dh 9x9 60 kHz with qual. cuts  
**NEMO 140 dh 9x9 120 kHz th. 1.5 p.e. & q. c.**



# Water properties Refractive index

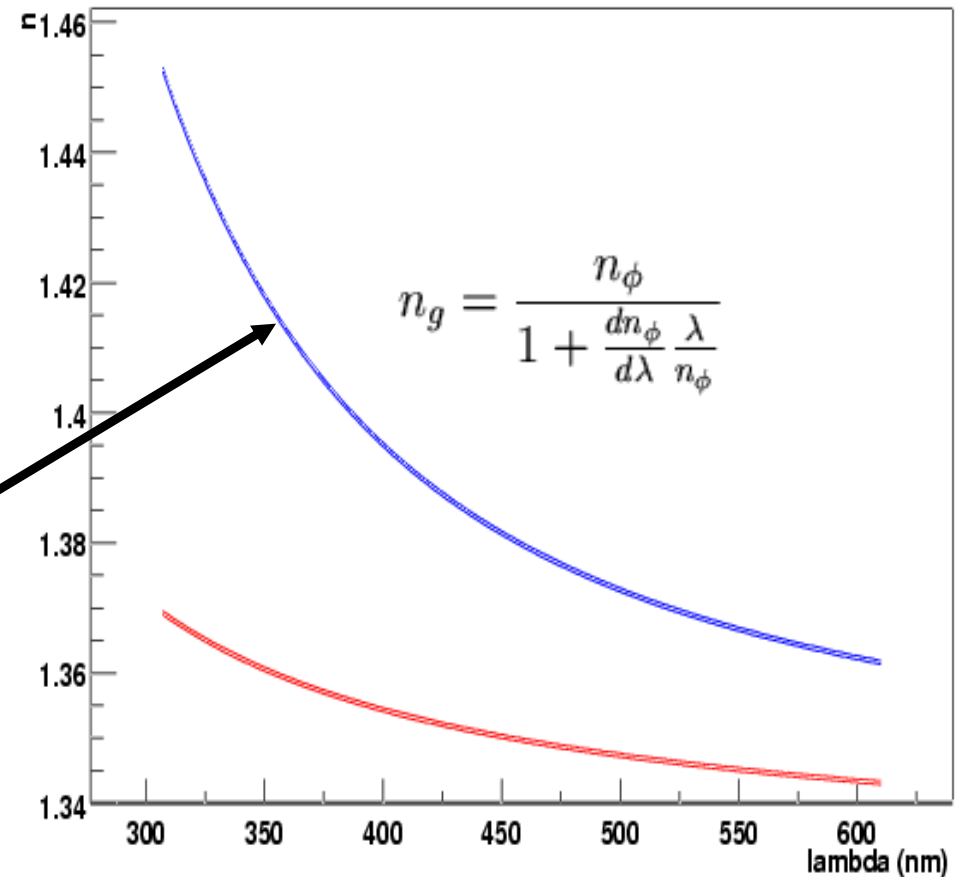
Wave length window

300-600nm

Refraction index function of pressure, temperature salinity (depth dependence in the detector neglected)

Group velocity correction

(ignoring group velocity degrades Angular resolution by factor 3)



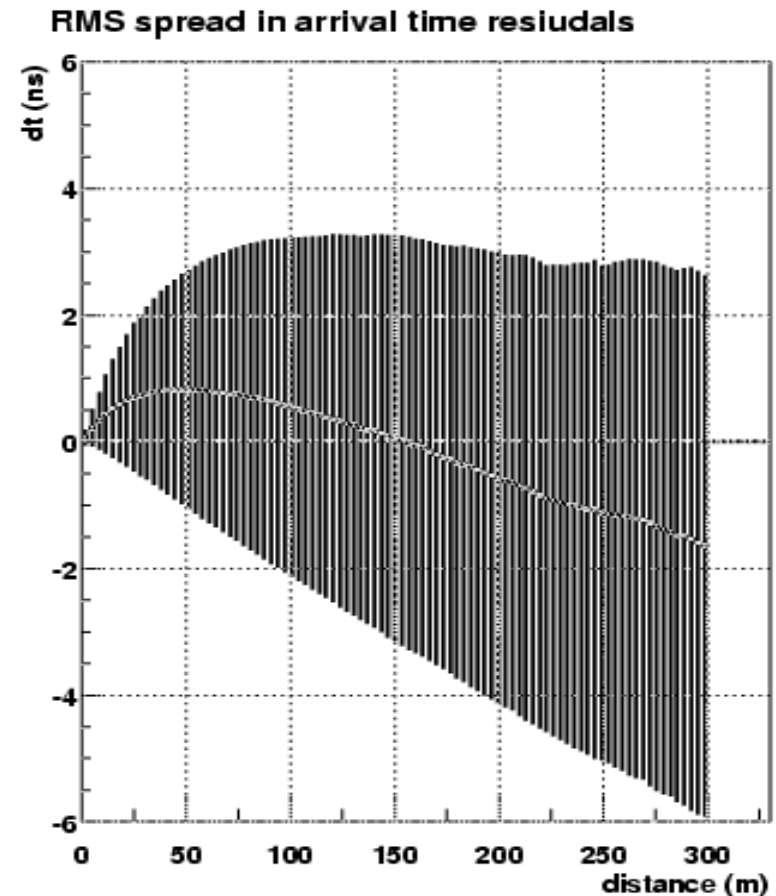
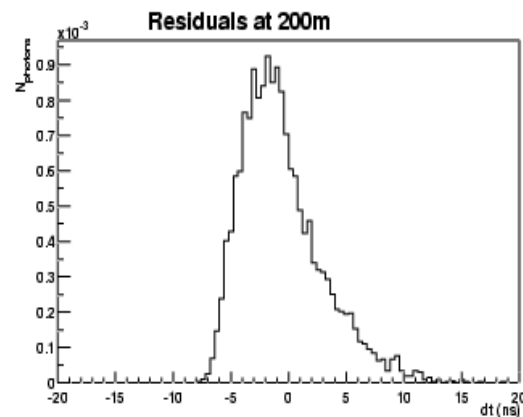
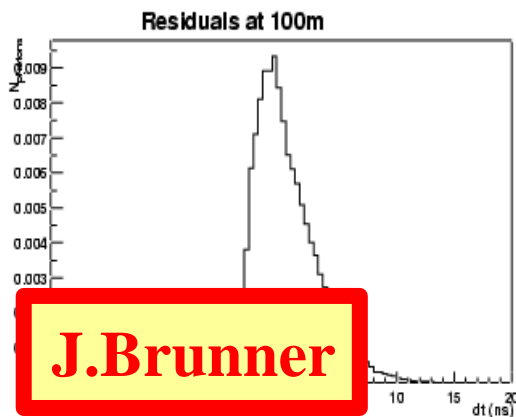
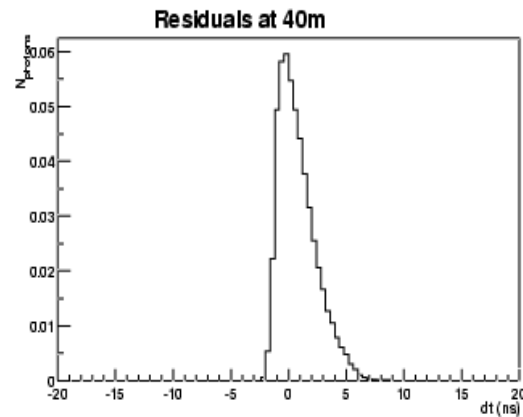
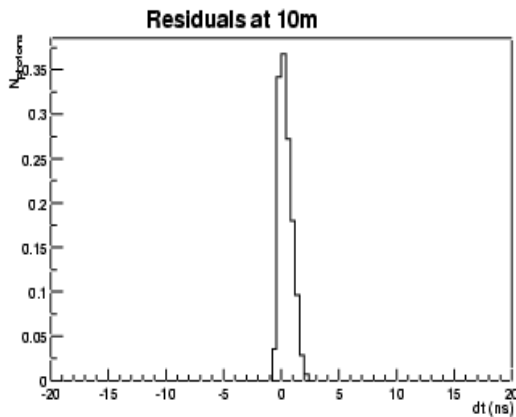
# Water properties Dispersion

Cherenkov photon propagation done for **ONE** wavelength (CPU time)

Dispersion correction added at PMT depending on distance

At 50m comparable to PMT tts !

Examples: Effect of dispersion , no scattering



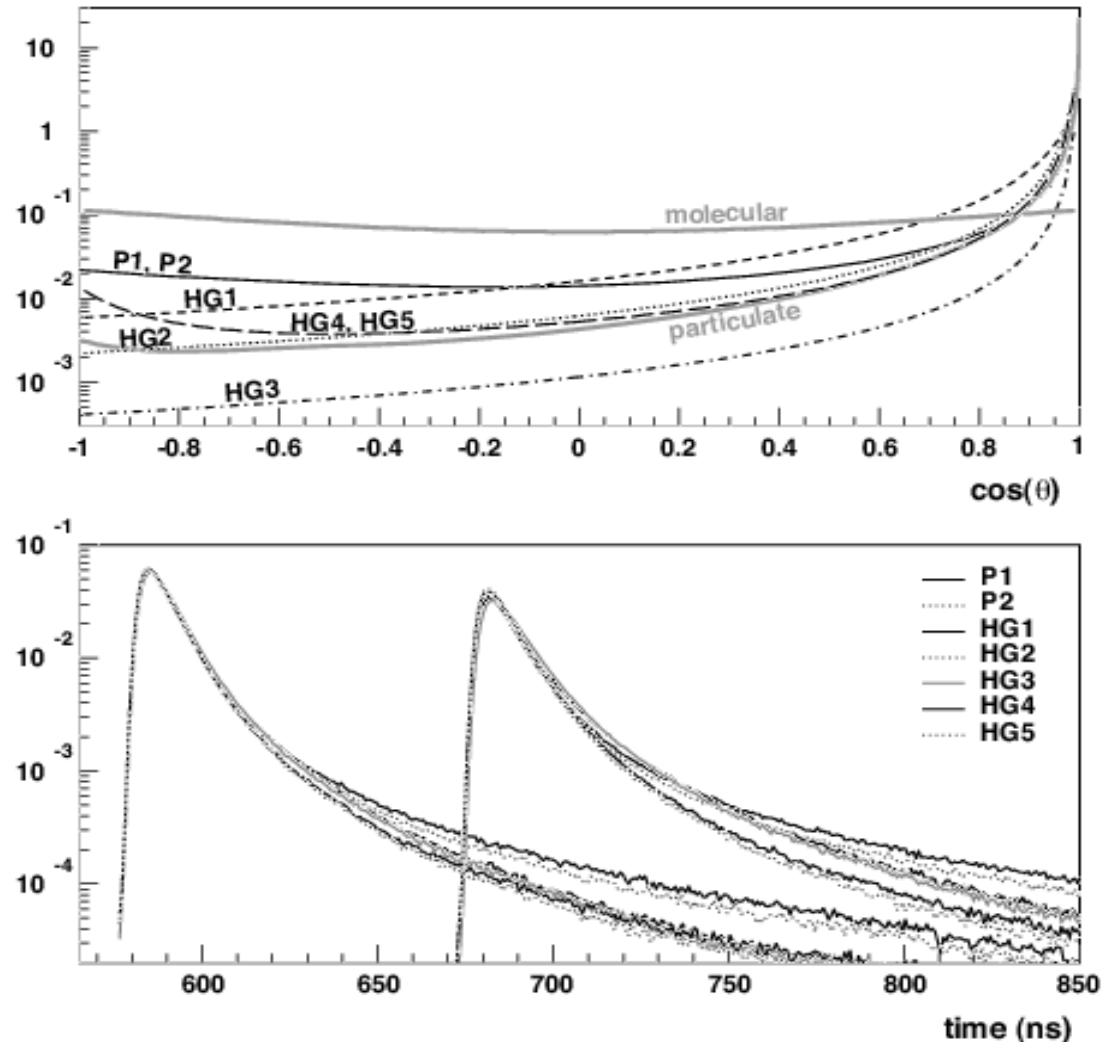
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# Water properties Scattering

Study of various water models  
Which are not incompatible with  
Antares measurements

Effect on time residuals:  
Mainly tail but also peaks

Result:  
Ignorance on details of  
Scattering introduces  
30% error on angular resolution  
10% error on eff. area



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- Full simulation chain operational in Antares
- External input easily modifiable
- Scalable to km<sup>3</sup> detectors, different sites
- Could be used as basis for a km<sup>3</sup> software tool box

# Simulation tool

## 1. Light propagation :

$L_{sc} \gg 30\text{-}50\text{m}$ ;  $L_{abs} @ 20\text{m}$   $\bar{P}$  for showers with energy up to  $\sim 10$  TeV and muons up to  $\sim 50$  TeV scattering of light in medium can be ignored.

For higher energies scattering is taken into account on the base of long term measurements of parameters of scattering.

**2. Accurate** simulation of time response of a channel on fact of registration is provided.

## 3. Atmospheric muons:

CORSIKA with QGSJET.

## 4. Muons from atm. neutrino:

- cross-sections - CTEQ4M (PDFLIB)
- Bartol atm. neutrino flux

**I.Belolaptikov**

**5. Angular distribution for hadronic showers** is the same as for el.-m. showers.

**4. Lepton transport** in media and in the array is done by MUM.

Showers with energy  $> 20$  MeV are considered as catastrophic losses.

**5. Dead time and random** hits of measuring channels are included in code.

Efficiencies of channels are measured experimentally in situ.

**6.** For simulation of **high energy neutrinos** we are going to use ANIS code.

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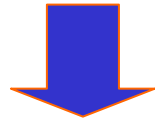
# S.Hundertmark: Simulation in Amanda

- AMASIM
- Versatile, mature system, open for alternative modules
- Peculiar for Amanda: strong scattering layered ice
- Ang.error upgoing tracks  $\sim 2^\circ$

**S.Hundertmark**

- Physics Simulation
- Cherenkov light emission and propagation
- OM response

**GEANT4**



- PMT Waveform generation (signal)

**HOME  
MADE**



- Trigger & Electronics Response



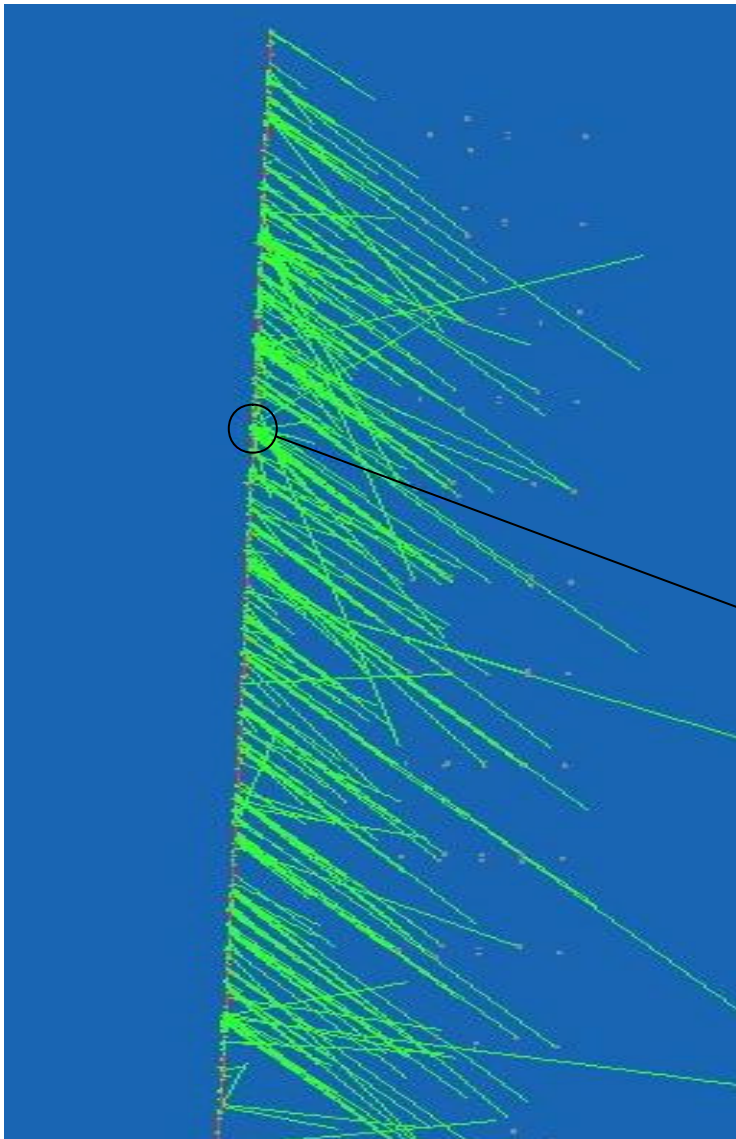
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Raw Data Format

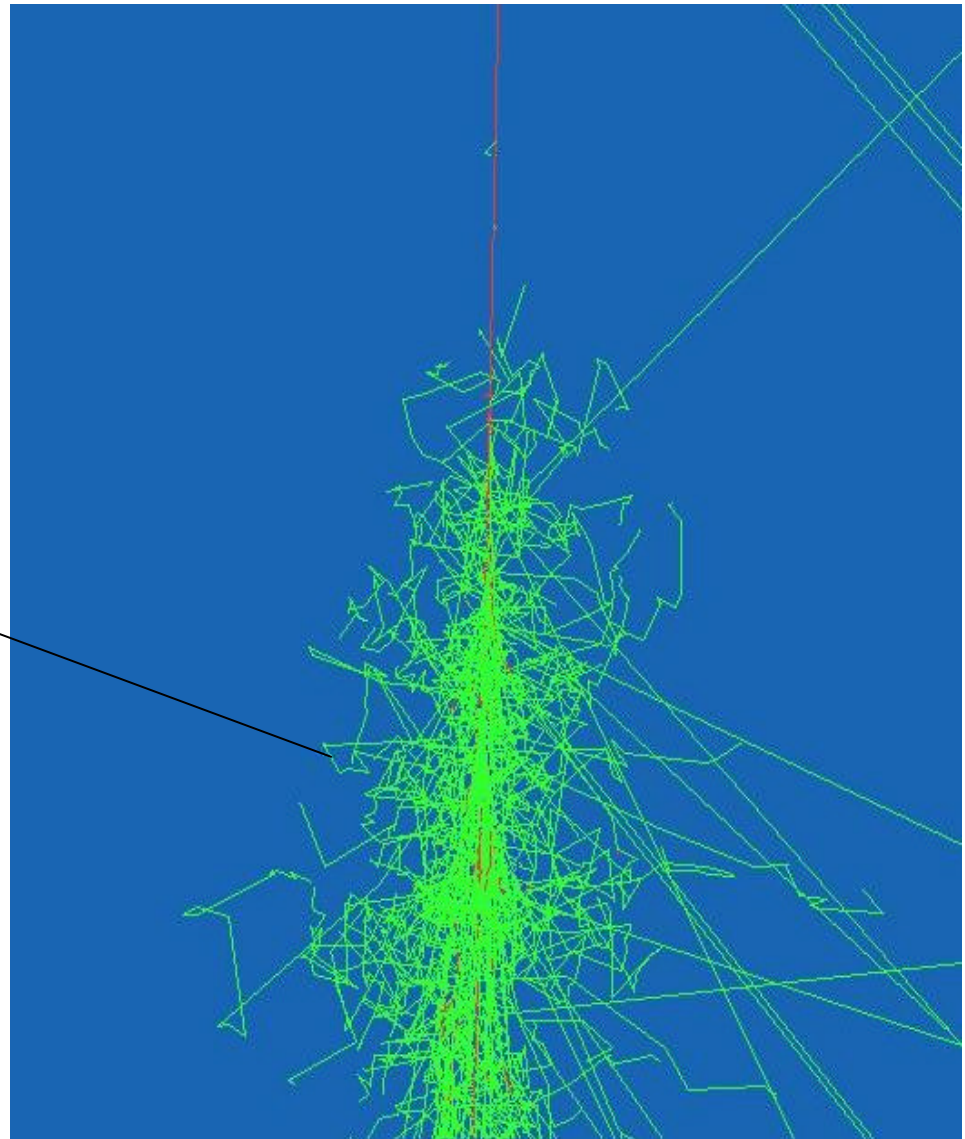


# Example of GEANT4 full simulation

A muon track (100 GeV)

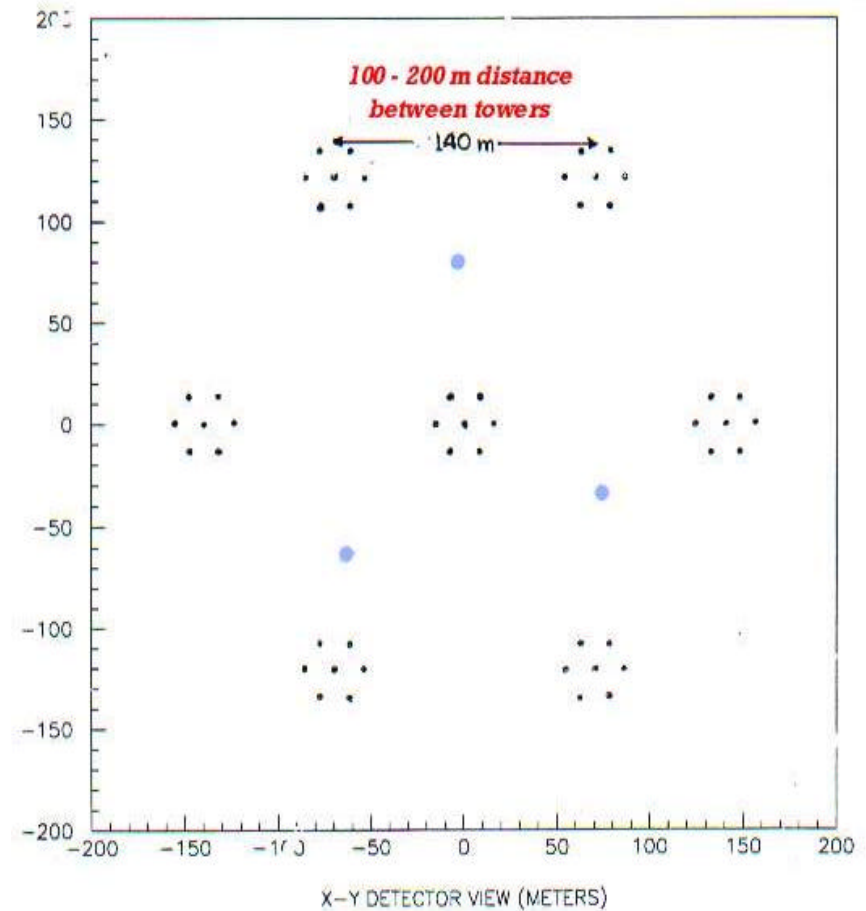
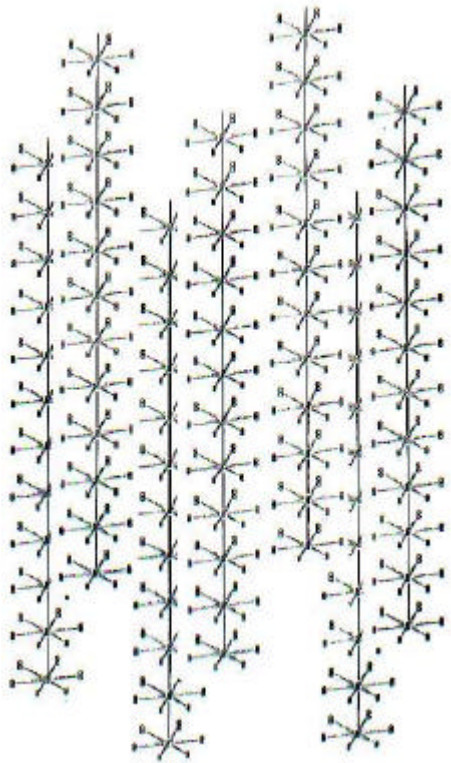


Shower Development



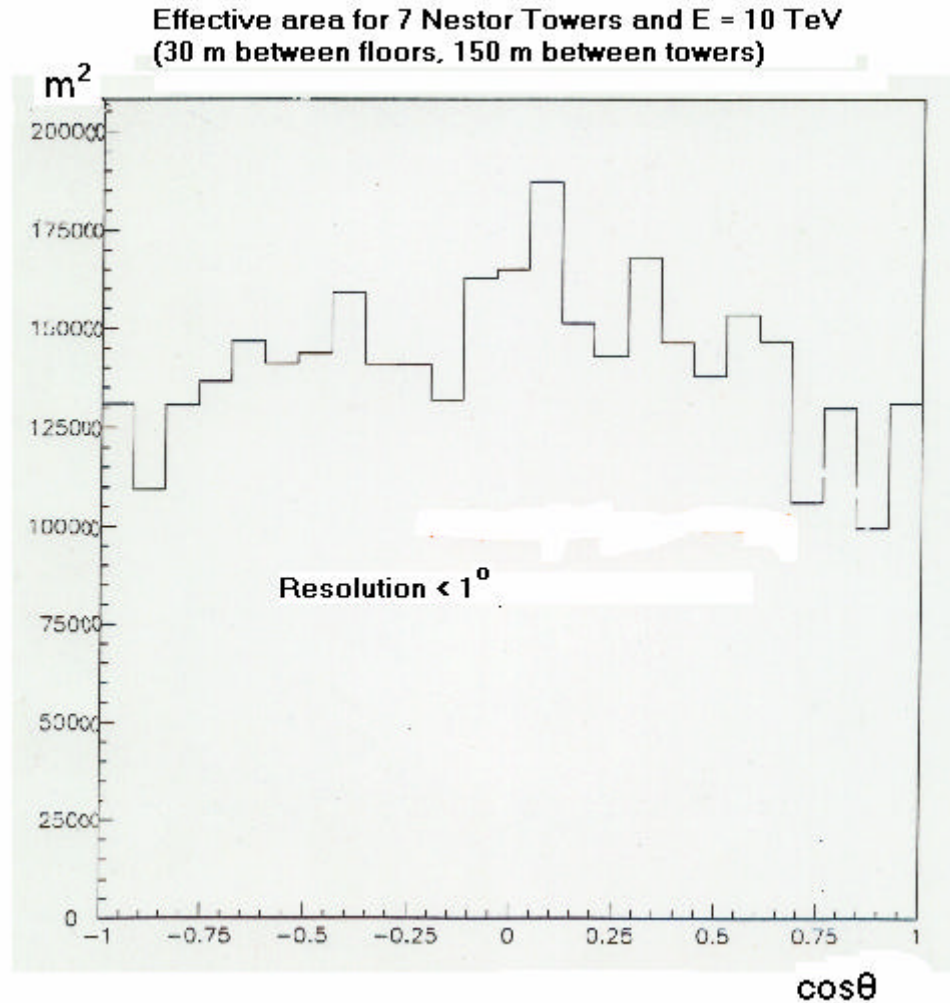
## Example: Eff Area Calculation (a)

### 15% of a Km<sup>2</sup> NESTOR Detector



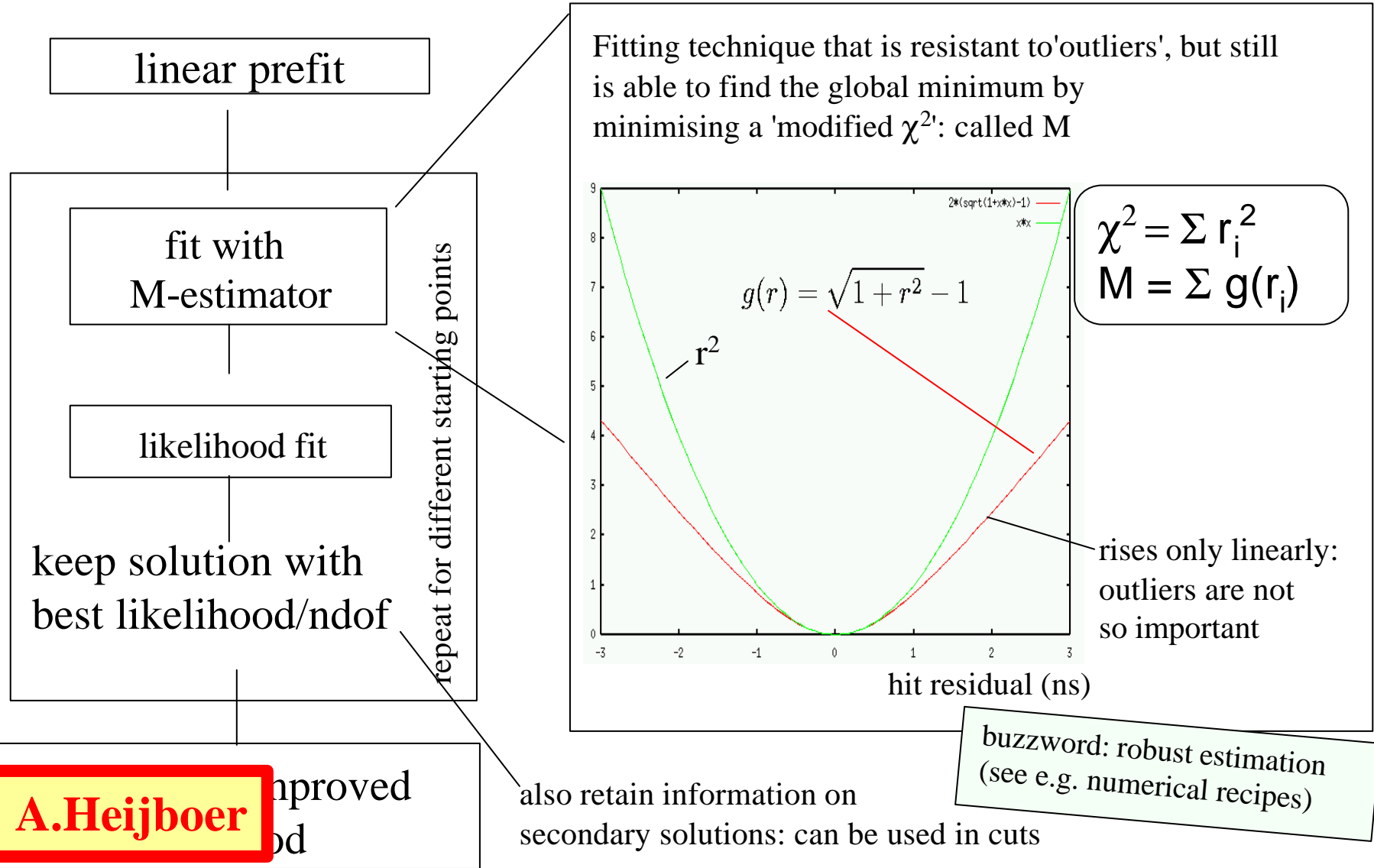
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## Example: Eff Area Calculation (b)

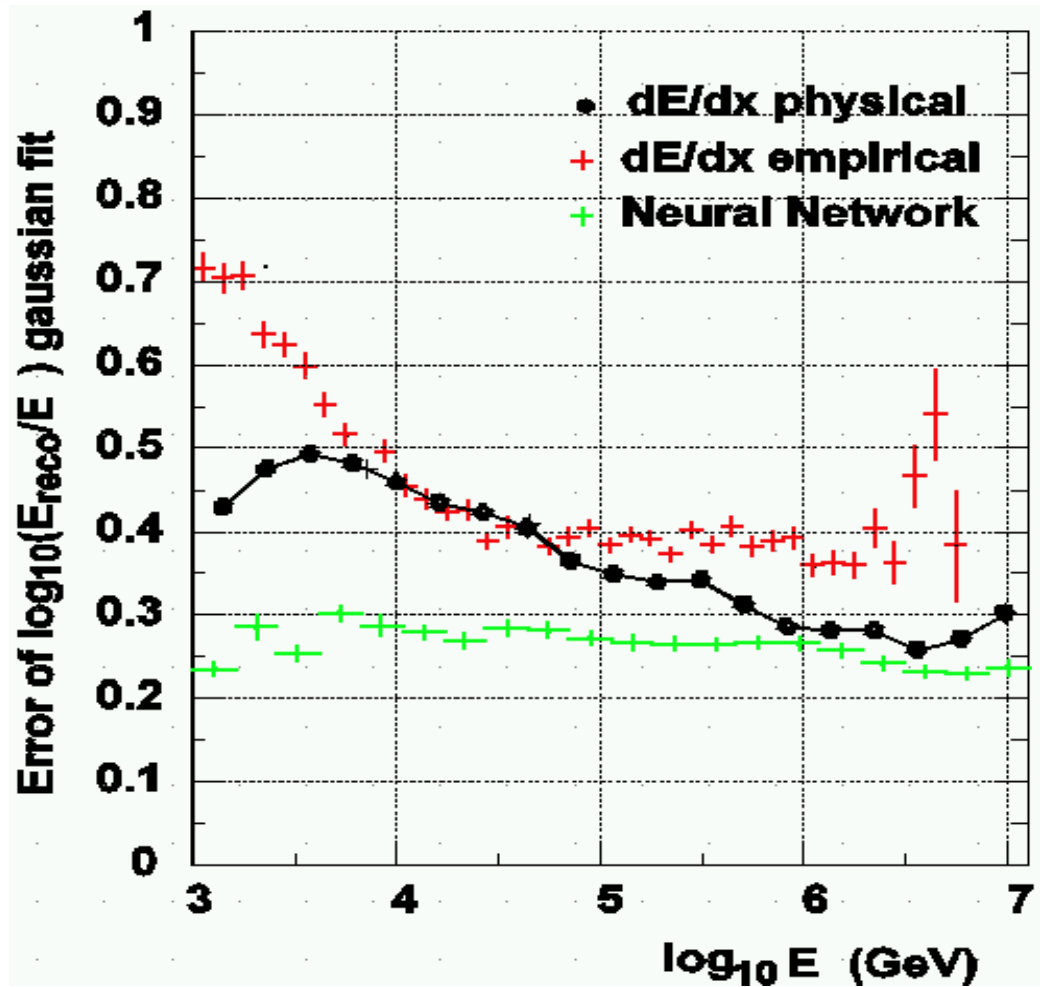


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# M-estimator strategy



# Energy Reconstruction

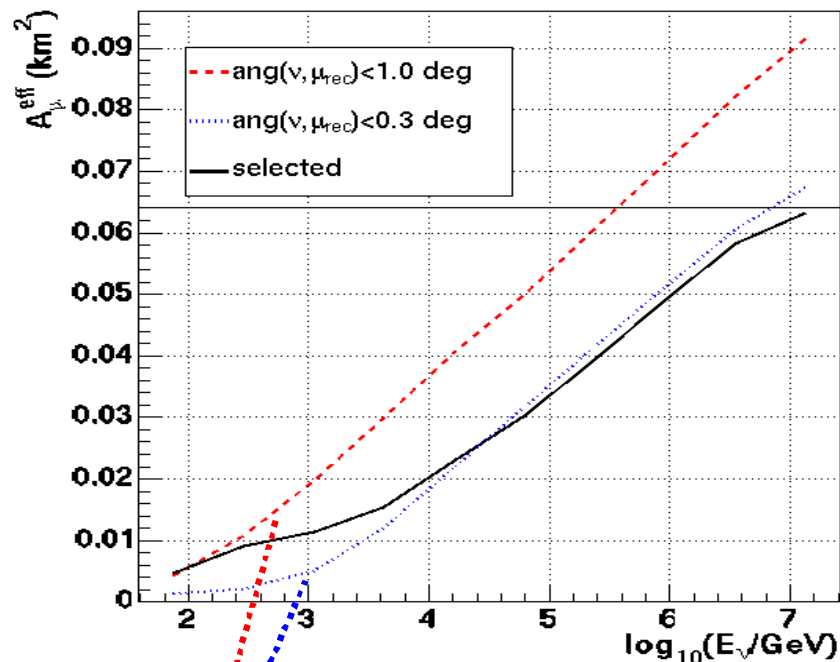


Energy reconstruction accuracy factor 2-3.

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# Results: Effective area and pointing resolution

## Effective area

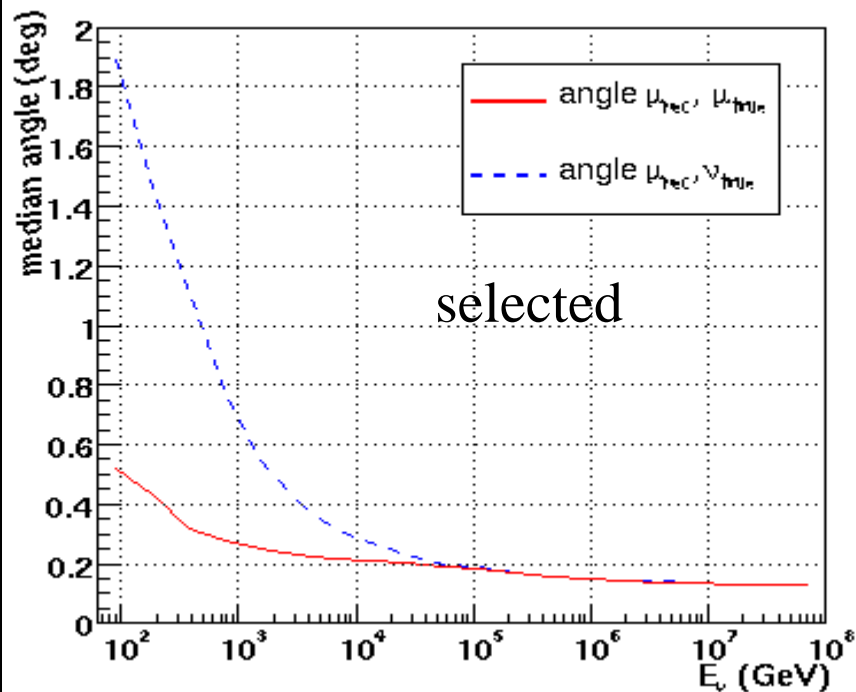


cut on MC truth: known sources

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## angular resolution

- below  $0.2^{\circ}$  for high energies
- dominated by physics below  $\sim 3$  TEV

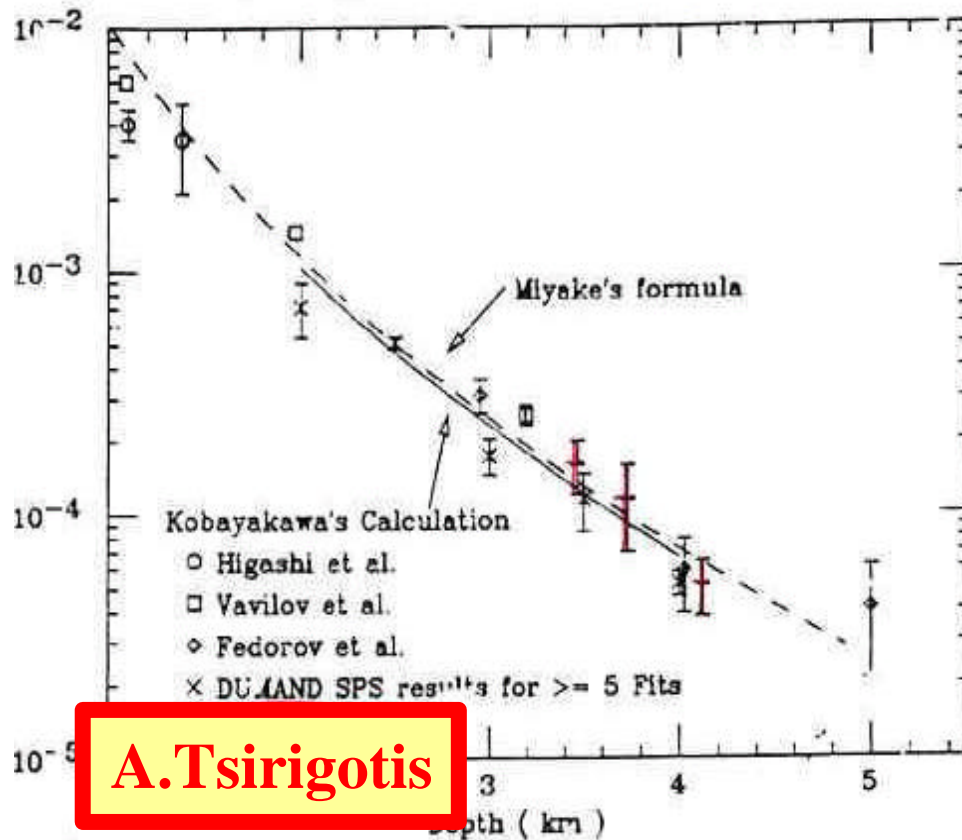


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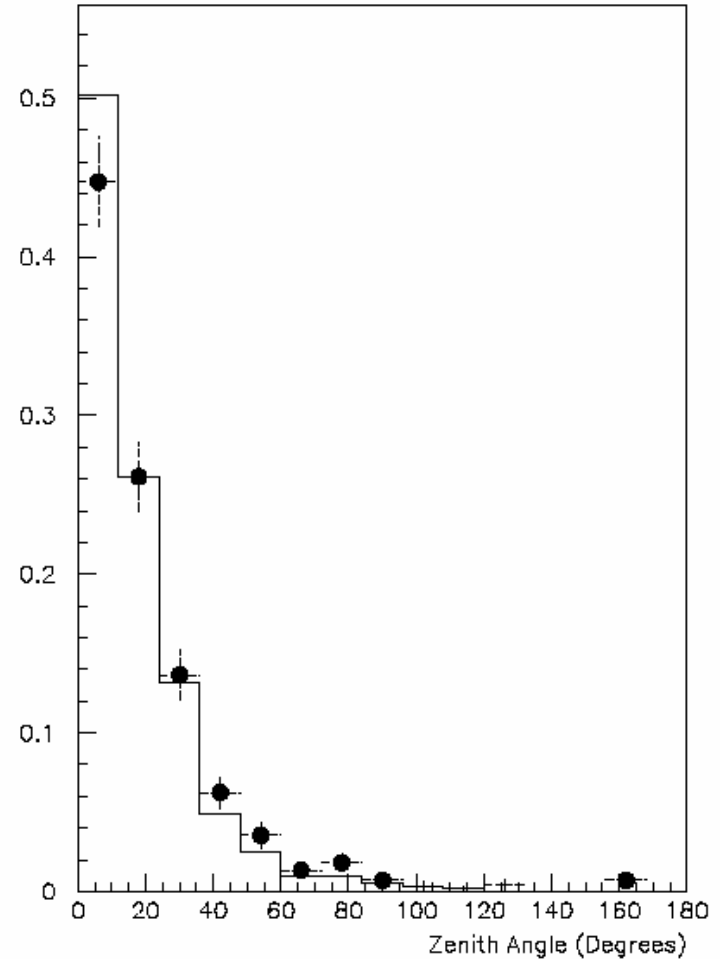
Cosmic ray muon background

Atmospheric muon angular distribution  
Okada parameterization

Depth intensity curve

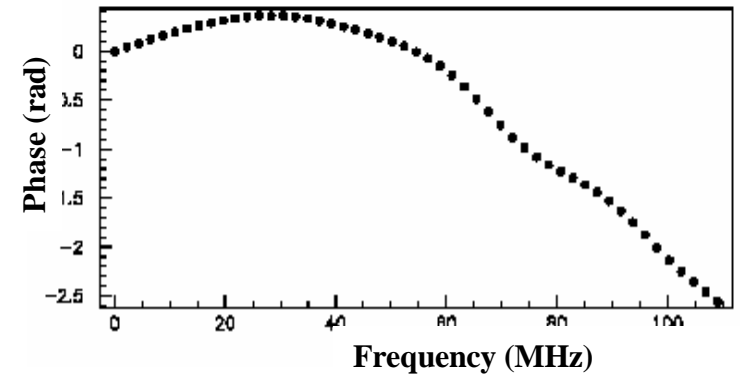
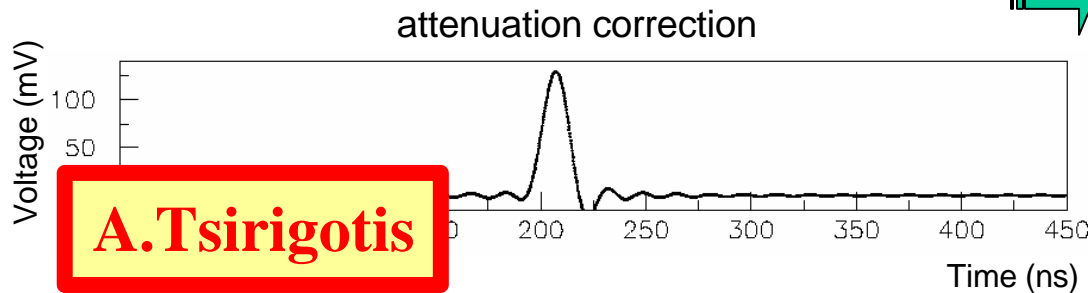
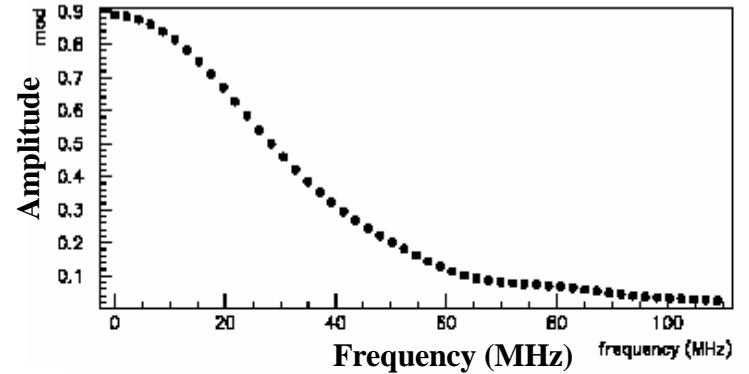
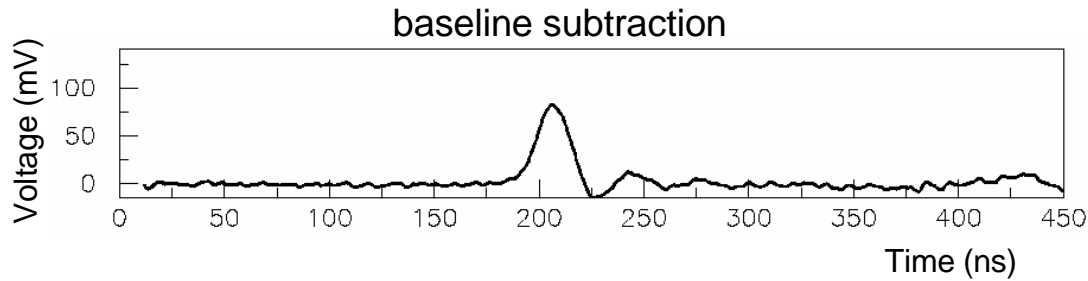
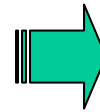
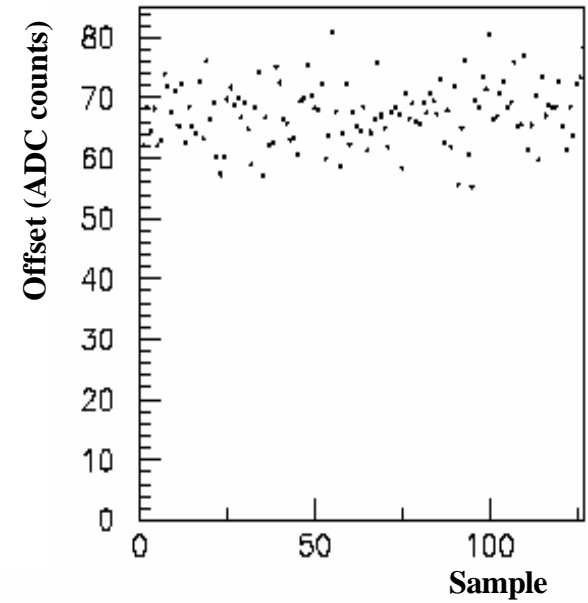
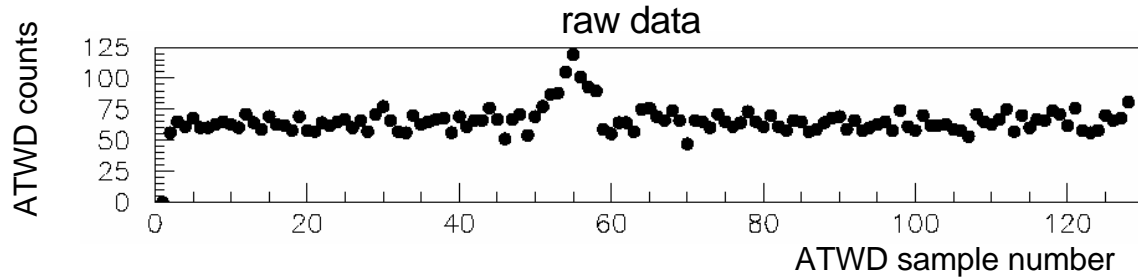


Zenith Angular Distribution



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# Signal processing

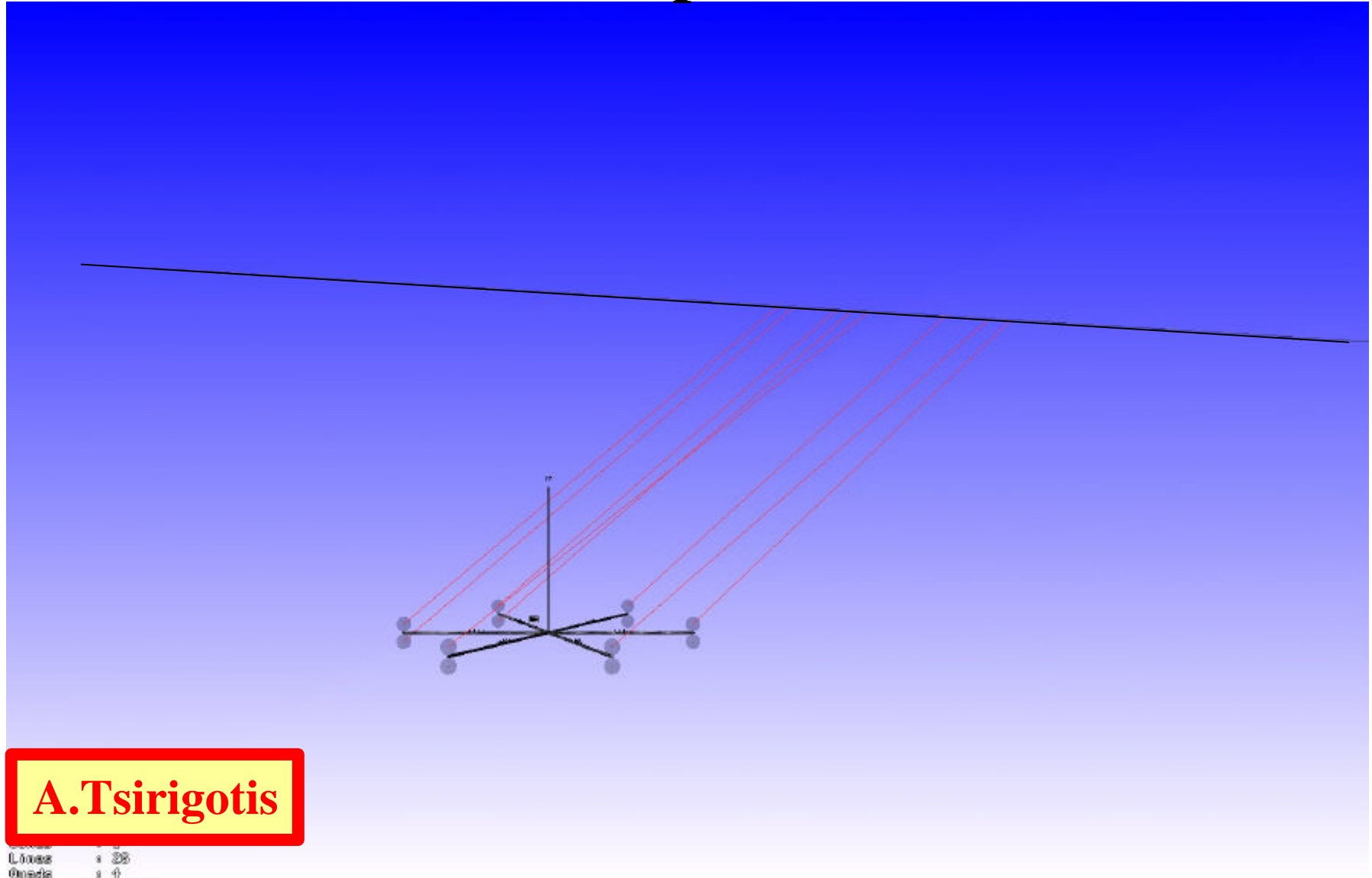


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# Pictorial Representation



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Lines : 28  
Nodes : 4

# I.Belolaptikov: Reconstruction in Baikal

- Ang.error upgoing tracks  $\sim 3^\circ$
- „Allowed region“  $\rightarrow$  allowed theta, phi regions from time differences between pairs of OMs (no fit)

## C.Wiebusch: Reconstruction in Amanda

- Critical due to light scattering
- appropriate likelihood („Pandel“) + clever cuts → effective bg reduction, ang. error for upgoing tracks  $\sim 2^\circ$
- Improvements: likelihood parametrization, layered ice, include waveform

## Summary

Much known about water properties – presumably enough for detector optimization and site comparison

Cross calibration measurements done/underway for Antares/Nemo sites, planned to include Nestor site.

Lot of comparative simulations done in all three collaborations.

Wide spectrum of tools for simulation and reconstruction. Many standard programs common to two or even all three collaborations (Corsika/Hemas, MUM/Music, Geant 3/4, ....)

May also use tools of Amanda/Baikal

Seems to be not too difficult to converge to a common simulation framework for optimization

## Next steps in simulation:

Form a task force group on detector simulation:

- Agree on a working plan (October)
- Input to application for a European Design Study (November)
- First results on comparative studies to ApPEC (Next spring/summer)
- don't prioritize site decision in initial phase but just simulate benchmark detectors characterized by a tuple of basic parameters (say depth 2.5, 3.5 and 4.5 km, noise 25,50 kHz and „high“, 3-4 basic architectures)