

Vertex reconstruction

in large liquid scintillator detectors

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Why a vertex reconstruction?

- *Novel track reconstruction* has been developed
- Holds great potential for any liquid scintillator detector
- Has a limited number of fundamental assumptions
- Gain topological energy deposition information

Novel track reconstruction needs a reference point

- Providing vertex to the *Novel track reconstruction*
 - Currently for LENA(low energy neutrino astronomy)
 - Operation in an energy range of a few MeV to GeV
 - Also works with a start point near the track

Time of flight

Time of flight for photon i

$$t_i = \frac{D(x_i(0), x_i(t))}{v_g}$$

- $t_i \hat{=}$ Time of flight for photon i
- $v_g \hat{=}$ Group velocity
- $D(x_i(0), x_i(t))$ distance $x_i(0)$ to $x_i(t)$

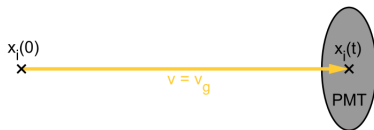


Figure : Time of flight for a photon.

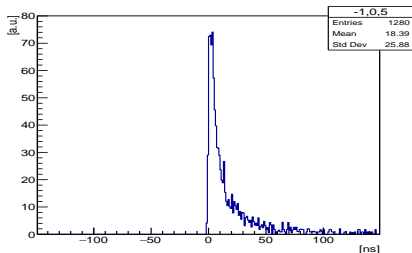
Not considered

- Scattering
- Absorption with reemission
- Scintillation decay time
- Electronic effects

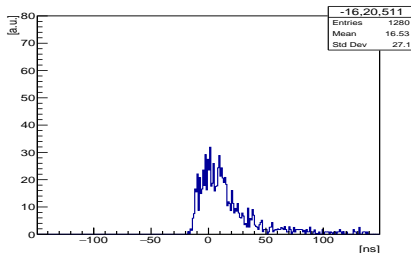
Time difference histogram

$$t_{i,dif} = t_{i,hit} - t_i$$

- $t_{i,dif} \hat{=}$ Difference in time for photon i
- $t_{hit} \hat{=}$ Measured time for photon i
- $t_i \hat{=}$ Time of flight for photon i



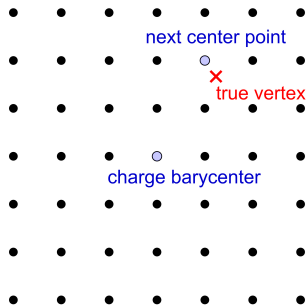
(a) Near the true vertex



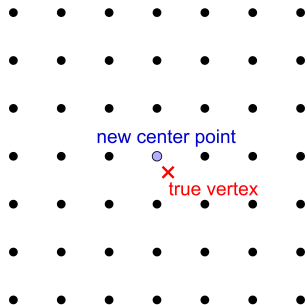
(b) ~ 5 m away from true vertex

Figure : Examples for time difference histograms at the true vertex and 5 m aside from the true vertex.

Grid



(a) First iteration



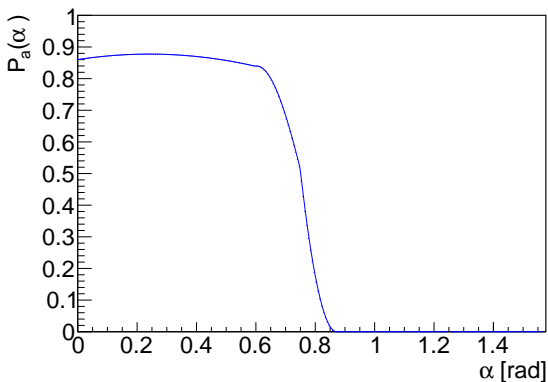
(b) Following iteration

Figure : 2 dimensional example grid to illustrate the vertex finding.

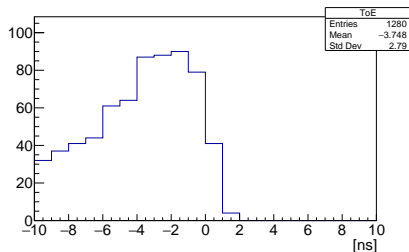
Angular acceptance of PMTs

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{\vec{p} \cdot \vec{n}}{|\vec{p}| \cdot |\vec{n}|}$$

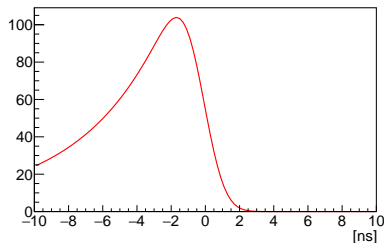
- α incident angle
- \vec{n} PMT normal vector
- \vec{p} incident vector



Time fitting and evaluation algorithm



(a) Histogram at determined vertex



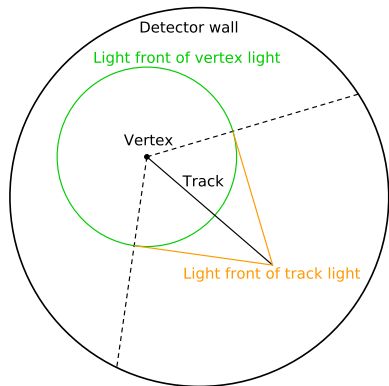
(b) Fit for (a)

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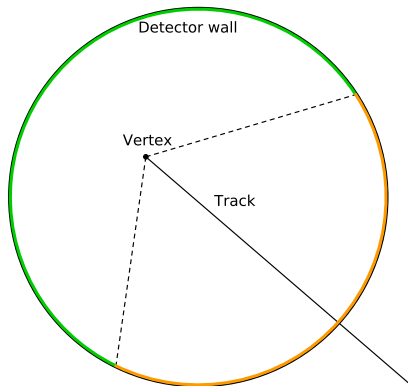
- Scintillation decay time
- PMT time resolution

$$t_{i,dif} = t_i - t_{i,hit}$$

High energy event development



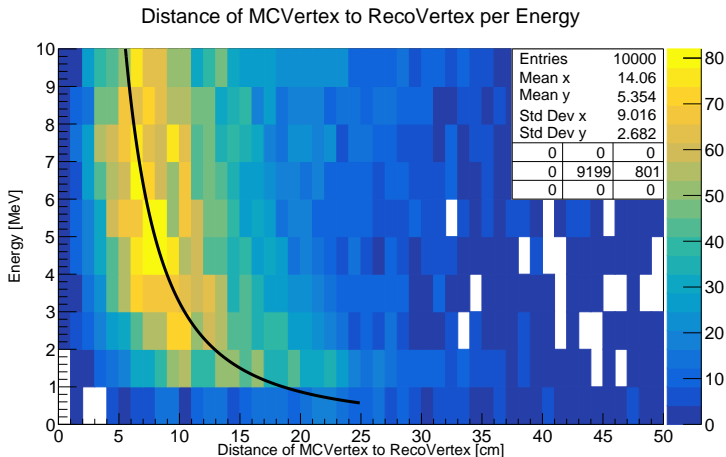
(a) A few nanoseconds after the events start



(b) First hit distribution after the event

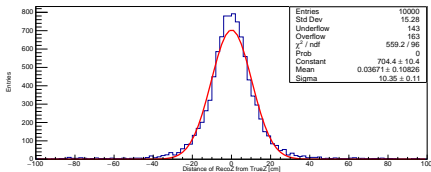
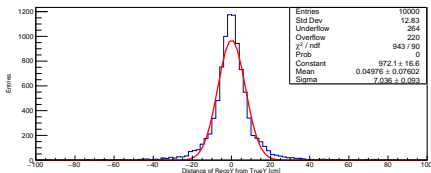
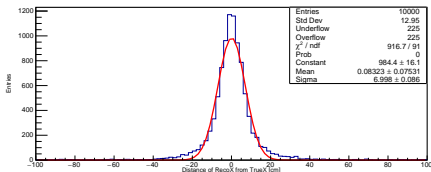
Figure : Distribution of first hit information

LEVertex



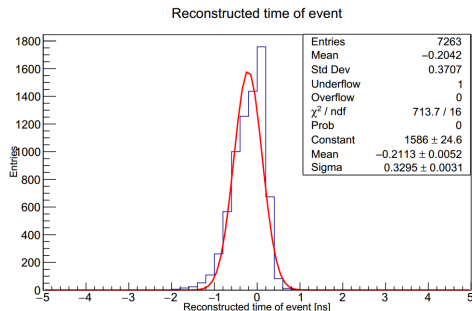
Figure

MeV positional reconstruction results



- Results for 10k electron events
- Fit for X,Y and Z direction
- 0.5 to 10.0 MeV Energy
- Random position in the detector
- $\sigma_{x,y,z} = \pm 14.34 \text{ cm}$

Time reconstruction results



- Only results within 20 cm of true vertex
- From fit $\sigma_t \pm 0.33$ ns
- Gaussian distribution around 0 ns expected
- Shift and excess due to underestimated TOFs

Figure : Event time reconstruction results in MeV range

Reconstruction of a GeV muon

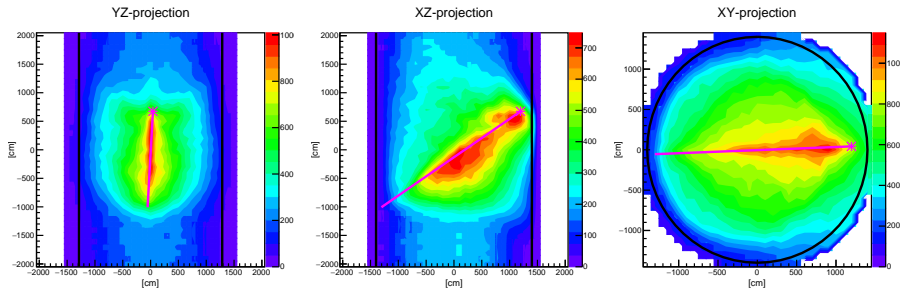
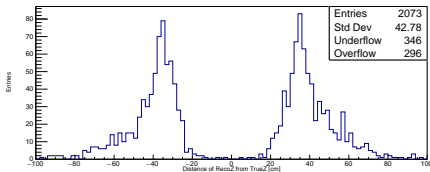
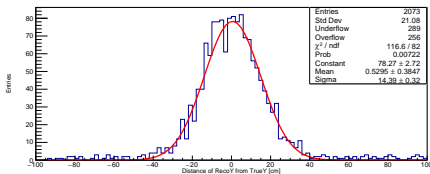
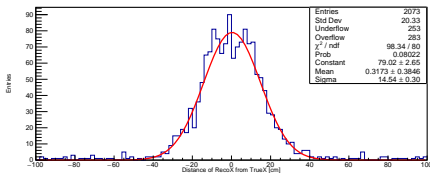


Figure : Example muon event

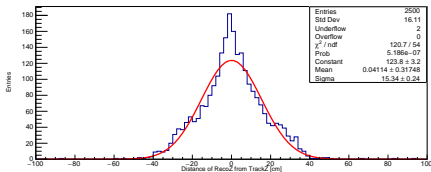
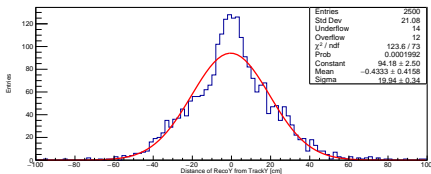
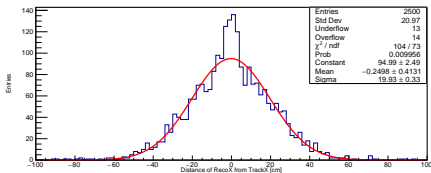
- 5.8 GeV Simulated event energy

GeV positional reconstruction results



- Results for 2500 muon events
- Fit for X,Y and Z direction
- 5.0 to 10.0 GeV Energy
- Random position in the detector

GeV positional reconstruction near track



- Distance to true track
- Point near track is enough for *Novel track reconstruction*
- Fit for X,Y and Z direction
- $\sigma_{x,y,z} = \pm 34.56 \text{ cm}$

GeV time reconstruction

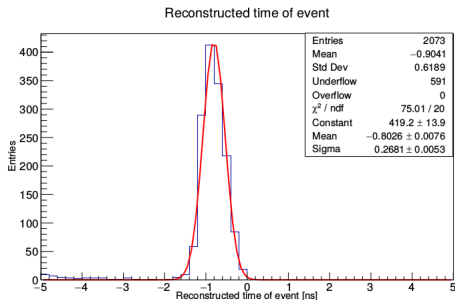


Figure : Event time reconstruction results in GeV range

- Only results within 20 cm of true vertex
- From fit $\sigma_t \pm 0.27$ ns
- Gaussian distribution around 0 ns expected
- Shift due to underestimated TOFs and shift of reconstructed vertex along track

Summary & Outlook

Conclusion:

- Determination of time and position is achieved
- Applicable for a energy range of a few MeV to GeV
- MeV range: position: $\sigma_{x,y,z} = \pm 14.34$ cm, time $\sigma_t \pm 0.33$ ns
- GeV range: position: $\sigma_{x,y,z} = \pm 34.56$ cm, time $\sigma_t \pm 0.27$ ns
- Direction determination 99.2% with in 25°
- Build on *Novel track reconstruction* software foundation:
 - Results can be provided to the *Novel track reconstruction*
 - Simple integration is possible
- Parallelization & Fast algorithm (a few seconds for GeV events)

Outlook:

- Implementation of a energy reconstruction
- Consideration of time delay effects
- Full adaptation for JUNO detector

Thank you for your attention.

Literature



Juno collaboration.

Neutrino physics with junos.

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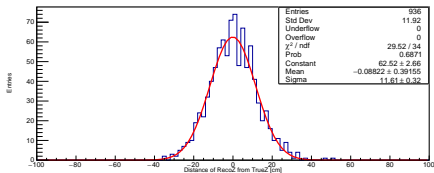
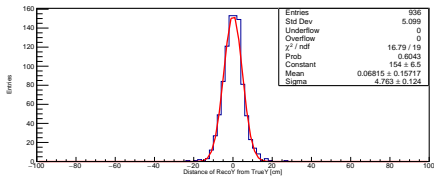
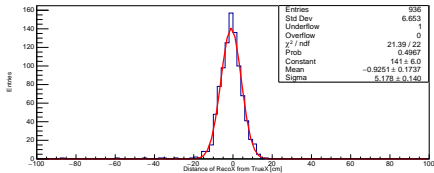
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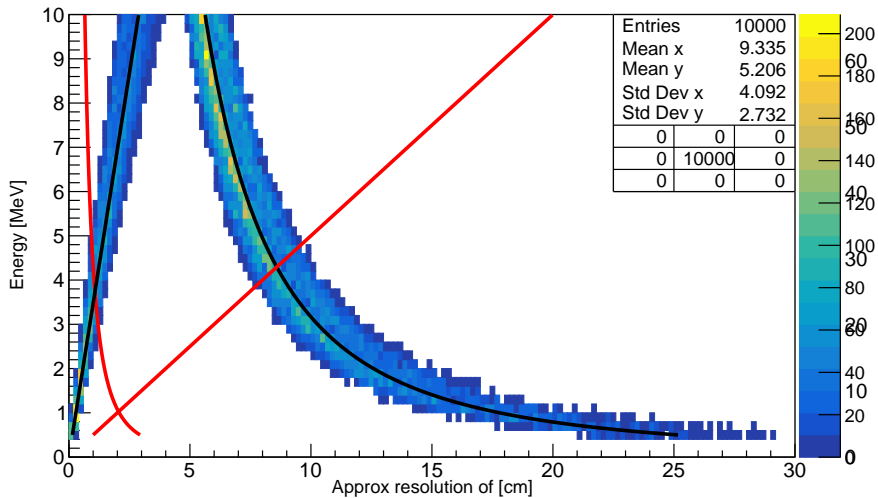
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Reconstruction of spatially extended events in borexino.

For single energy at 3 MeV

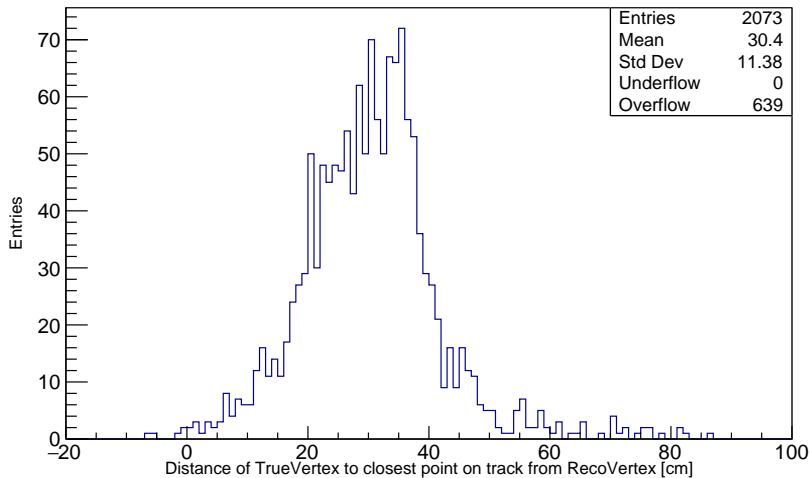


Approx resolution per energy



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Shift along track



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Reconstruction close to the track

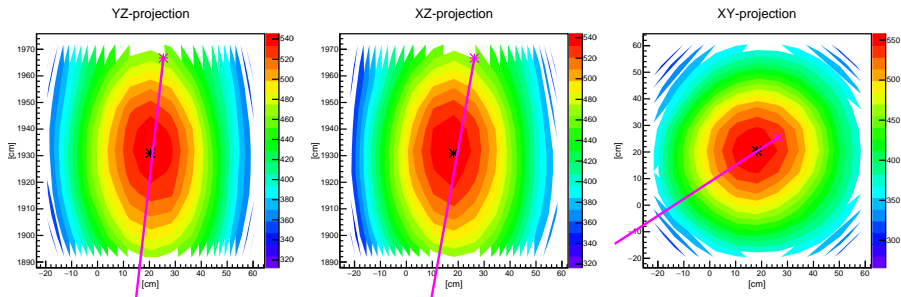
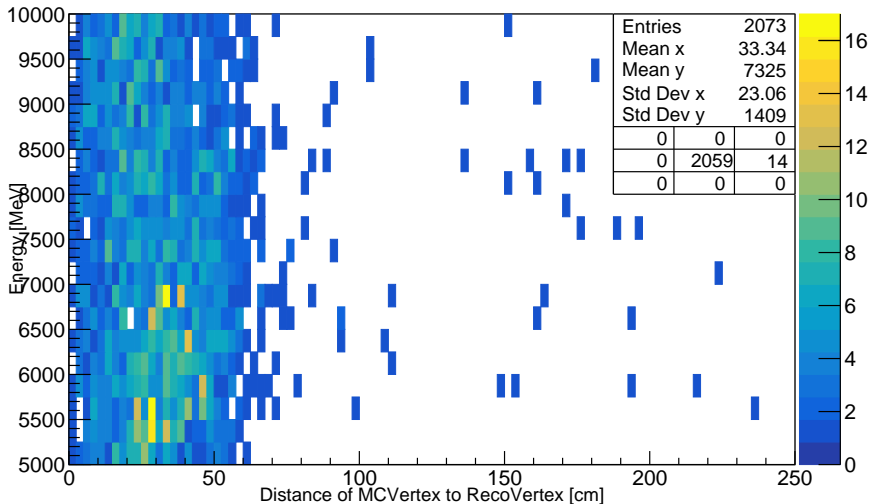


Figure : Example for a reconstructed vertex near the track.

Distance of MCVertex to RecoVertex per Energy



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Example reconstruction in the JUNO detector

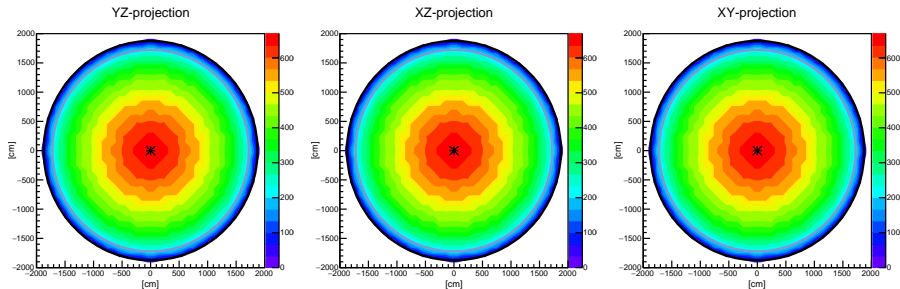


Figure : Example for a reconstructed vertex inside the JUNO detector.

- True vertex simulated at the center
- No adjustments for acrylic or water
- Symmetry effects enable correct reconstruction

Reconstruction of a MeV electron

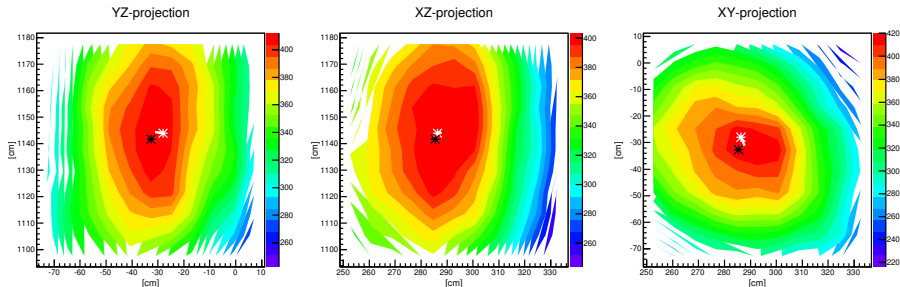
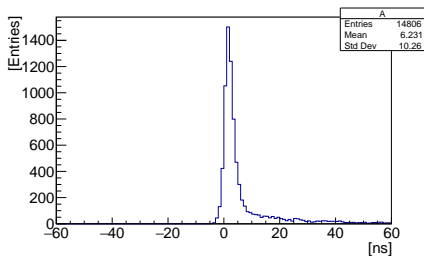
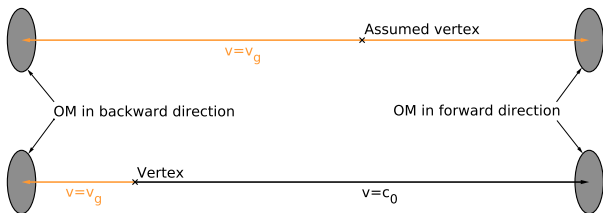


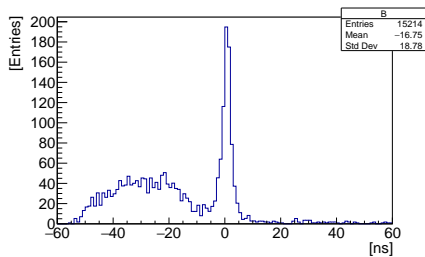
Figure : Example electron event. 6.70 MeV Simulated event energy

- 5.32 cm Distance true (white) to reconstructed vertex (black)
- 5.46 cm Approximated statistical resolution
- ~ 9 cm for BOREXINO
- ~ 3 cm for JUNO (simulated in center)

Direction determination



(a)



(b)

Direction reconstruction

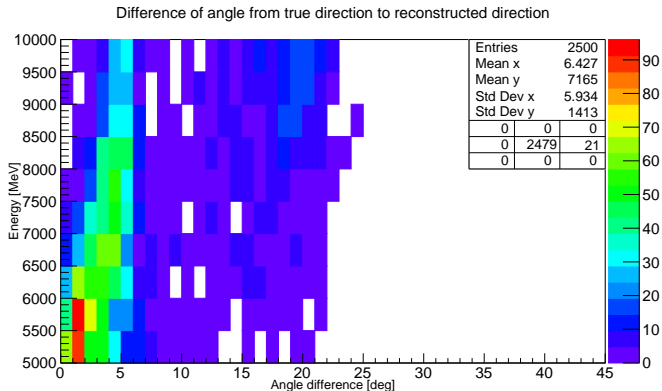
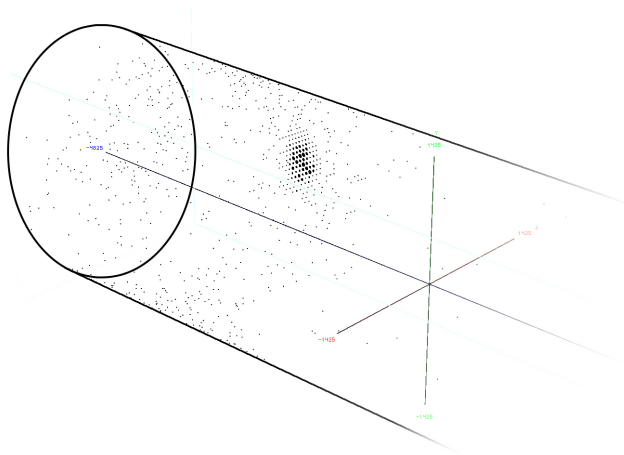


Figure : Direction determination for event GeV range

- For 99.2% the direction was determined within 25°
- For 75.7% the direction was determined within 7°

Charge barycenter

$$\vec{P}_{bc}(pmt) = \frac{\sum_{pmt=1}^{PMT} \vec{p}_{pmt} \cdot Hit_{pmt}}{\sum_{pmt=1}^{PMT} Hit_{pmt}}$$



Survival probability

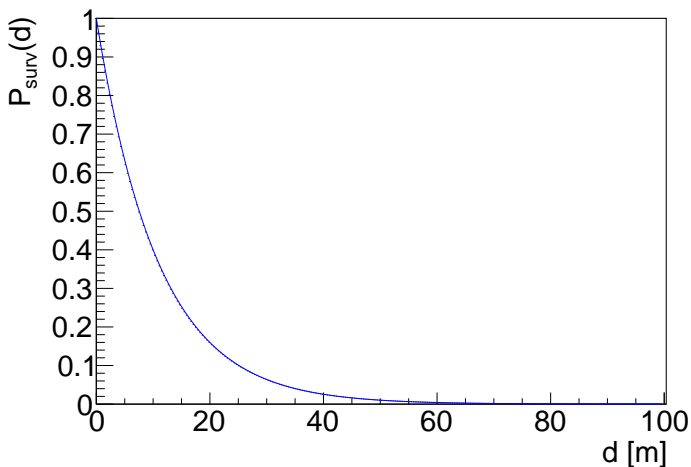


Figure : Photon survival probability. $P_{sp}(s) = \exp(-\frac{s}{A_L})$

Hit probability

$$P_{hit} = \frac{r_{pmt}^2 \cdot (\vec{V}_{pmtNormal} \cdot (\vec{V}_{vertex} - \vec{V}_{pmt}))}{4 \cdot |\vec{V}_{vertex} - \vec{V}_{pmt}|^3}$$

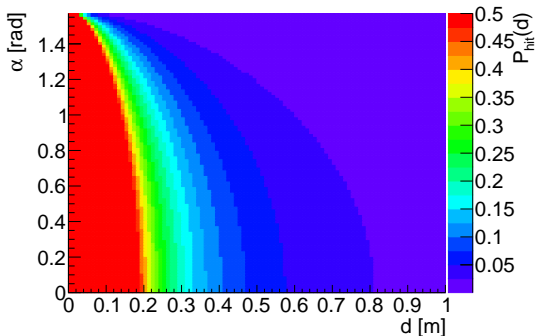


Figure : Hit probability.

Neutrino oscillation

- Homestake Experiment => Solar neutrino problem
- Solution: Neutrino oscillation

Pontecorvo–Maki–Nakagawa–Sakata matrix

$$U_{PMNS} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13} e^{-i\delta} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13} e^{i\delta} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c_{ij} \hat{=} \cos(\Theta_{ij}) \quad s_{ij} \hat{=} \sin(\Theta_{ij}) \quad \Theta_{ij} \hat{=} \text{mixing angle} \quad \delta \hat{=} \text{CP-violating phase}$$

Transition probability

$$P(\alpha \rightarrow \beta; t) = \sum_i |U_{\alpha i} U_{\beta i}^*|^2 + 2\text{Re} \sum_{j>i} U_{\alpha i} U_{\alpha j}^* U_{\beta i}^* U_{\beta j} \exp\left(-i \frac{\Delta m_{ij}^2}{2} \frac{L}{E}\right)$$

$$L \hat{=} \text{travel distance} \quad E \hat{=} \text{energy} \quad \Delta m_{ij}^2 = m_i^2 - m_j^2$$

Neutrino Mass Ordering

Parameters that have been determined are:

$$\Theta_{12}, \Theta_{13}, \Theta_{23}, \Delta m_{21}^2 \text{ and } |\Delta m_{31}^2|$$

Sign of Δm_{31}^2 is unknown:

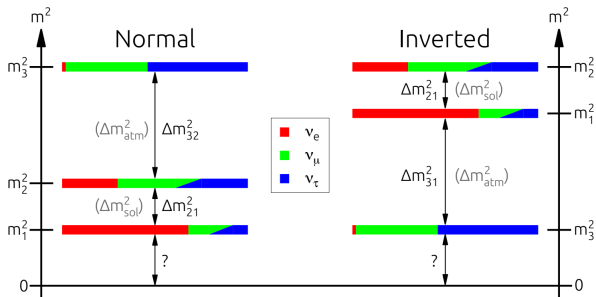


Figure : Neutrino Mass Ordering [2]

Determining the Neutrino Mass Ordering

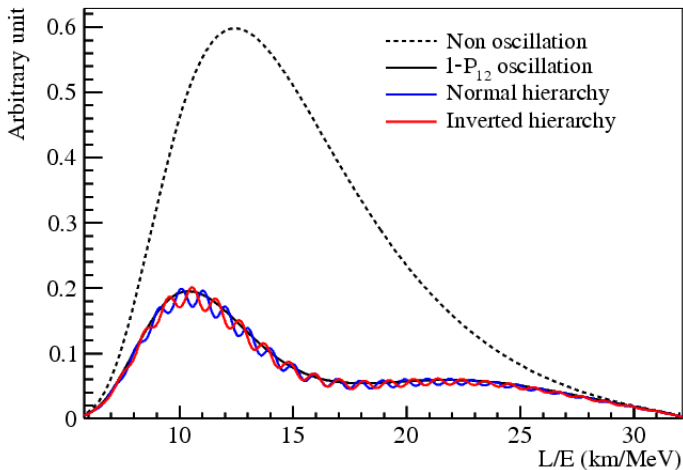


Figure : Reactor antineutrino flux [1]

Jiangmen Underground Neutrino Observatory

- Is being built in China
- Antineutrino experiment
- IBD: $\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow e^+ + n$
- Muon rate ~ 3 Hz

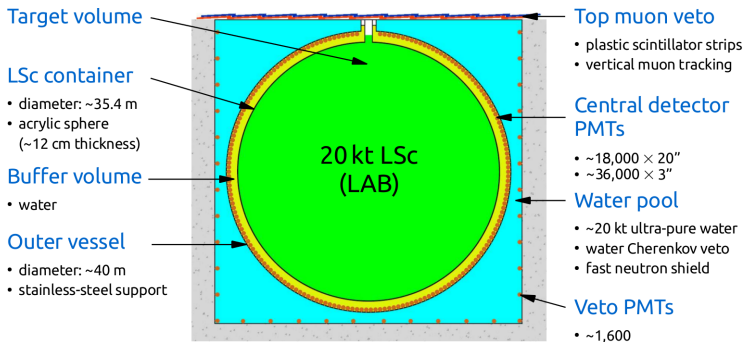


Figure : Outline of the JUNO detector [1]