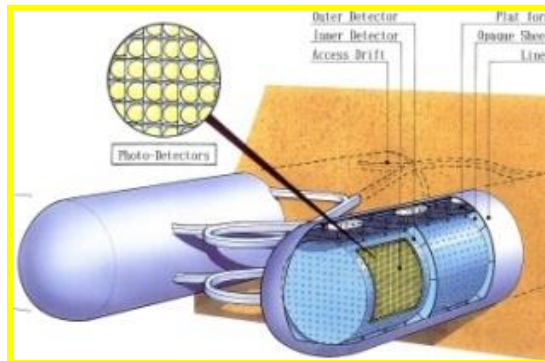


# CALIBRATION FOR HYPER-K

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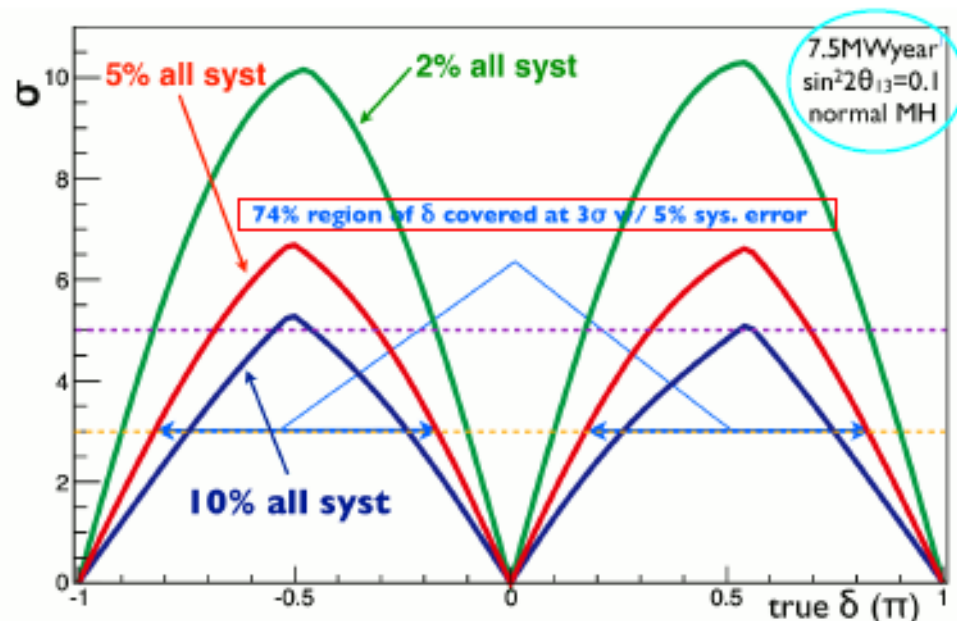
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# Measurement of oscillation parameters

- Sensitivity of HK dependant on total systematic uncertainty
- SK detector systematics are significant for T2K
  - We will need to do better in HK.



Source of error for  $\nu_e$  appearance  
arXiv:1311.4750

Error source [%]	$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.1$	$\sin^2 2\theta_{13} = 0$
Beam flux and near detector (w/o ND280 constraint)	2.9 (25.9)	4.8 (21.7)
$\nu$ interaction (external data)	7.5	6.8
Far detector and FSI+SI+PN	3.5	7.3
Total	8.8	11.1

Source of error for  $\nu_\mu$  disappearance  
PRL, 111, 211803

Source of uncertainty (number of parameters)	$\delta n_{SK}^{exp} / n_{SK}^{exp}$
ND280-independent cross section (11)	6.3%
Flux and ND280-common cross section (23)	4.2%
Super-Kamiokande detector systematics (8)	10.1%
Final-state and secondary interactions (6)	3.5%
Total (48)	13.1%

# What do we need to measure?

- Electronics
- PMT Response
  - Timing
  - Gain
  - Angular Response
  - Faulty PMTs
  - Relative PMT efficiency
  - Overall detector gain
  - Multi and single photon effects
- Detector Properties
  - Water Attenuation/Extinction
  - Scattering
  - Reflections from surfaces
- Physics sources
  - Energy scale
  - Reconstruction
  - Event shapes

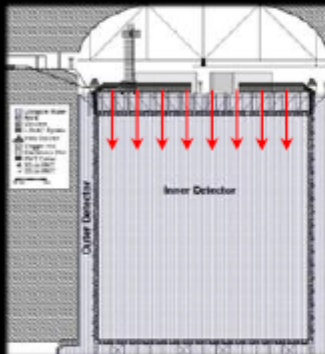
# Calibration Strategies

- Deploy sources
  - Light sources
  - Radioactive sources
- Collect data for calibration insitu
  - Michel Electrons
  - Cosmic muons
  - Atmospheric neutrinos
- Build sources into the detector
  - Optical fibres
  - Embedded sources
- Precalibration
  - Careful measurements before/during assembly

# Deploying sources

## Current Deployment Systems

Super-K

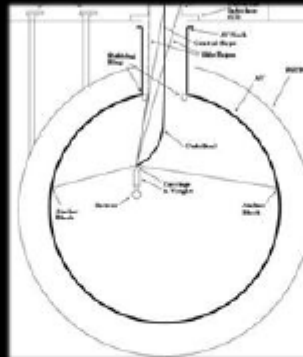


Semi-automatic

1D calibration  
System (manual)

Volume Calibrated:  
 $\sim 50\text{k m}^3$

SNO

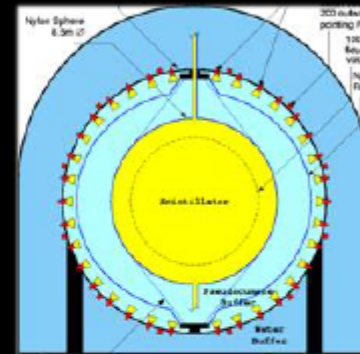


Semi-automatic

2D calibration  
System (manual)

Volume Calibrated:  
 $\sim 1\text{k m}^3$

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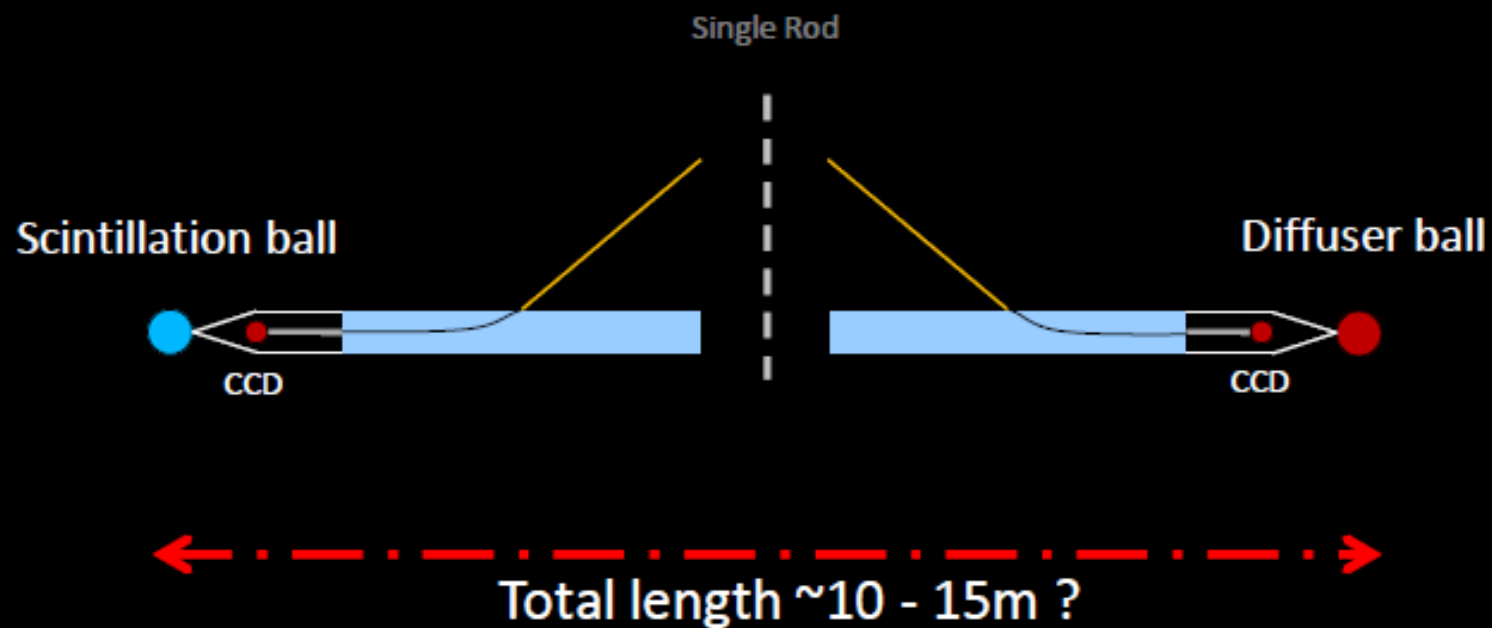


Fully manual

3D calibration  
System (manual)

Volume Calibrated:  
 $\sim 0.3\text{k m}^3$

# Deploying sources



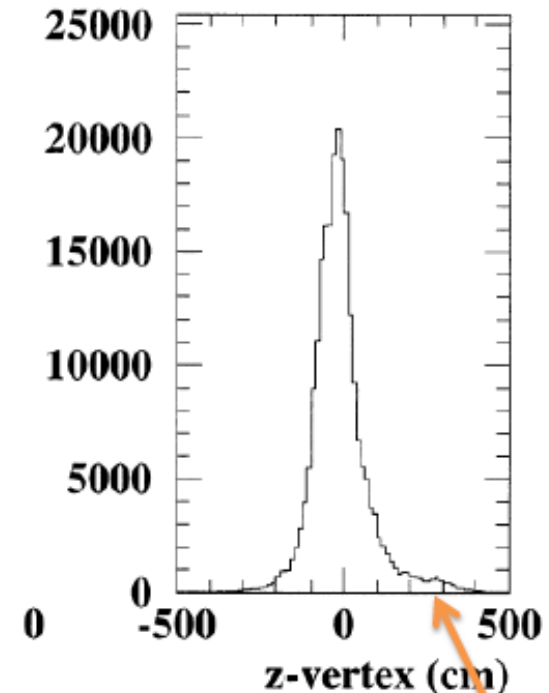
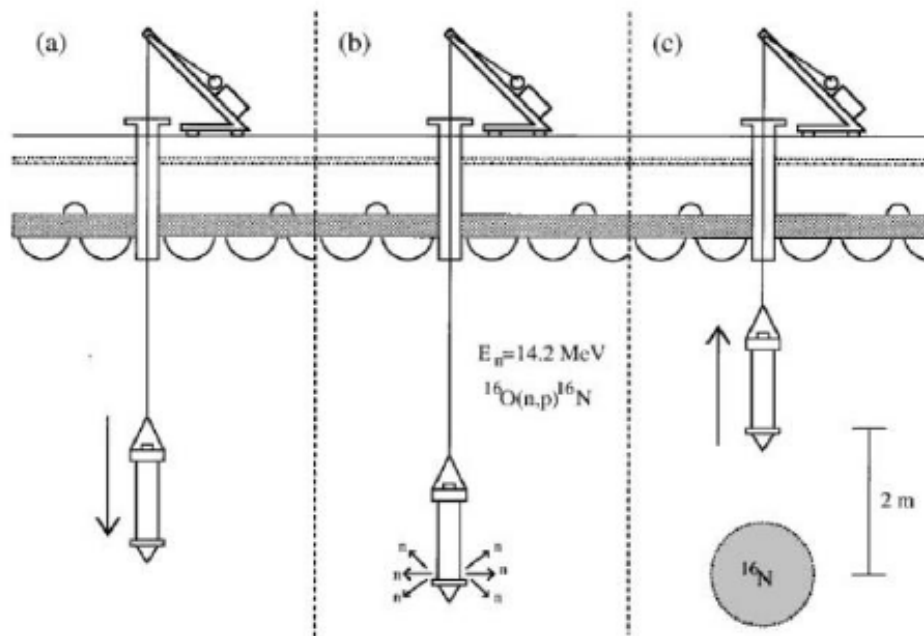
Similar to KamLAND: a solution with one rod, all sources mounted

Problem: where to store such a long rod ?

# Sources under discussion

- $^{16}\text{N}$  two options  $6\text{MeV } \gamma + \beta\text{s}$ 
  - DTG neutron source deployed directly into the detector.
    - SK Style
  - Activate  $\text{CO}_2$  with DTG neutron source and flow gas into detector.
    - SNO style.
    - Tagged  $\gamma\text{s}$
- Cf – Ni source ( $9\text{ MeV } \gamma$ )
  - Self triggered
  - R&D still required
- Other sources discussed
  - pT source  $19.8\text{ MeV } \gamma$ . Deployed once in SNO.
  - LINAC source.
    - Expensive option (multiple units required)
    - Not currently considered.

## The Super-K D-T generator : In action



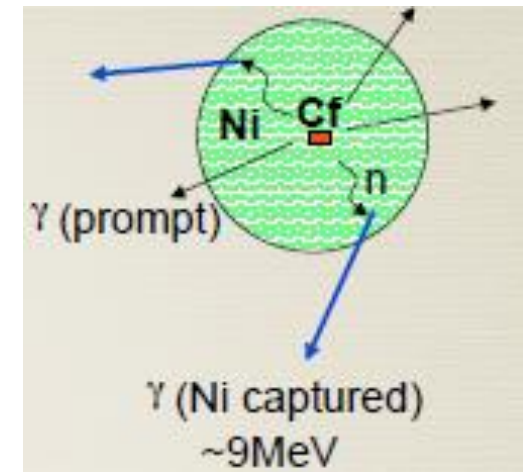
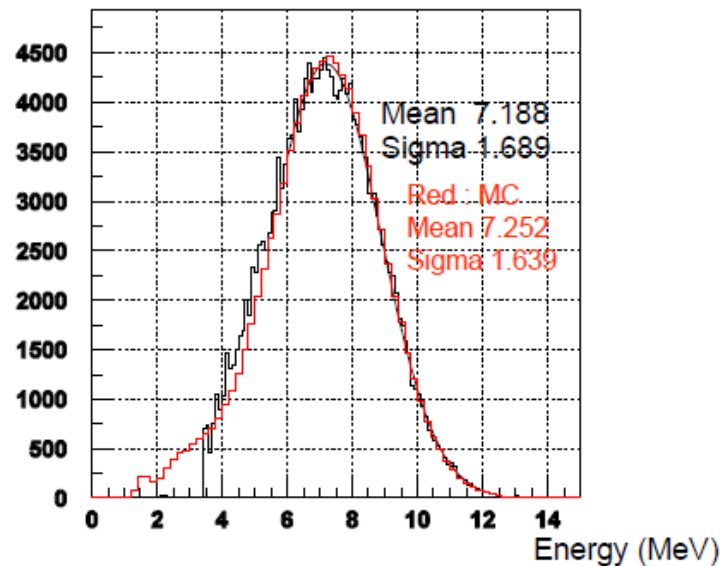
- During the calibration process the DT generator is raised 2m above the original fire position to reduce shadowing/interaction with the device
  - Basically unavoidable
- Causes diffusion of events along axis of this motion as water is displaced
- Range of utility in the vertical direction is limited
- Device is not so mobile

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# Nickel source

- Capture of thermal neutrons by nickel
  - Produces 9 MeV  $\gamma$ -ray.
  - Typically  $^{58}\text{Ni}$  ( $n,\gamma$ )  $^{59}\text{Ni}$  reaction.
- Ni source with  $^{252}\text{Cf}$  fission source embedded.
- R&D Ongoing



# LED Pulsers

- Use an LED rather than a laser as a light source.
- Advantages
  - Cheap per channel cost. (~£10 for LED and basic driver electronics)
  - Compact device possible
  - Stable wavelength distribution ~ 10 nm spread
  - Wide range of wavelengths available
  - ~1 ns pulses possible.
  - Simple coupling to fibres
- Disadvantages
  - Higher current requirements
  - Large light loss into fibres.

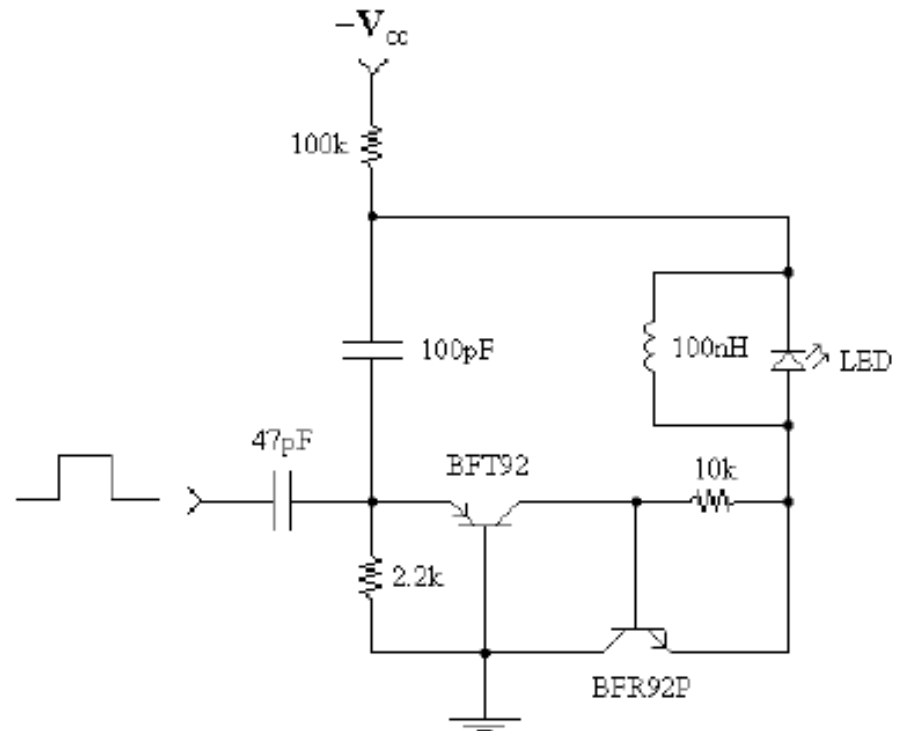
# ANTARES Beacon

- Developed to provide a light source on each ANTARES photo-module.
- Permanently deployed.
- Can flash single or multiple LEDs at once, depending on calibration required
  - Different systems to do this.

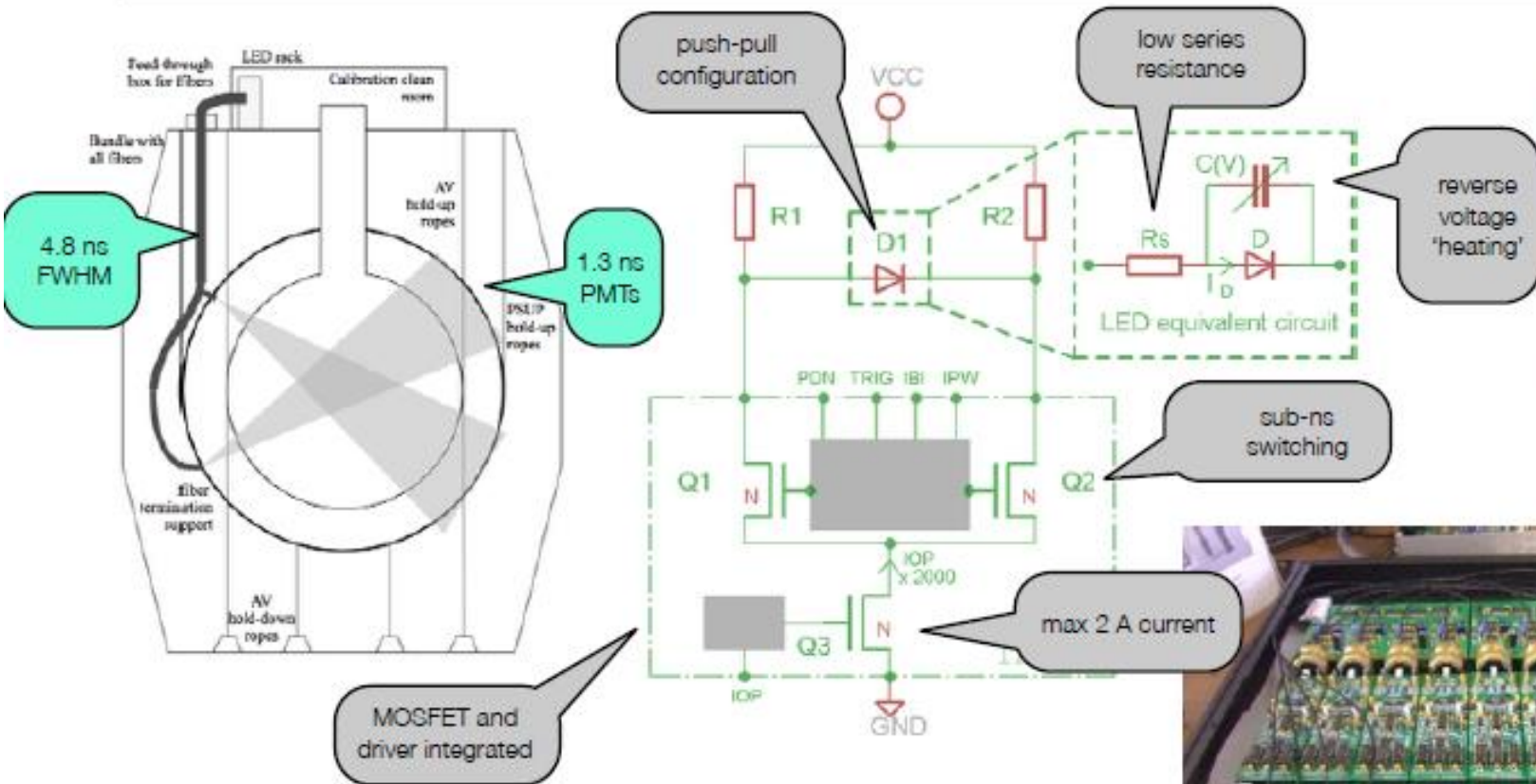


# Basic design of ANTARES system

- Use a modified Kapustinki design.
- Discharge a capacitor into LED.
- Uses a fast 2 transistor switch.
- Inductor to “sweep out” charge.
  - Reduced tail.



# LEDs in SNO+



Original design requirement (LED end):

- >  **$10^6$  photons per pulse**
- **1 ns optical pulse width**

Later additional requirement (wet end):

- $10^3$  photons per pulse (stable)** at
- 1 pulse per second** repetition rate

# Updated LED drivers for HK

- We plan to develop an updated driver circuit for HK exploiting what we've learn from ANTARES and SNO+
  - Include the best of both systems with new improvements
  - Update electronics to more modern standards, use FPGAs for example
- Need to finalise targets for
  - Pulse width
  - Number of photons
  - Decision on number of LEDs to drive simultaneously ( $>1$ ?)

# Possible uses for LED

- Embedded light source on PMT support
- Potted in a diffuser ball as an isotropic light source
- As a beacon on other calibration sources
- As the light source for a “muon source”.

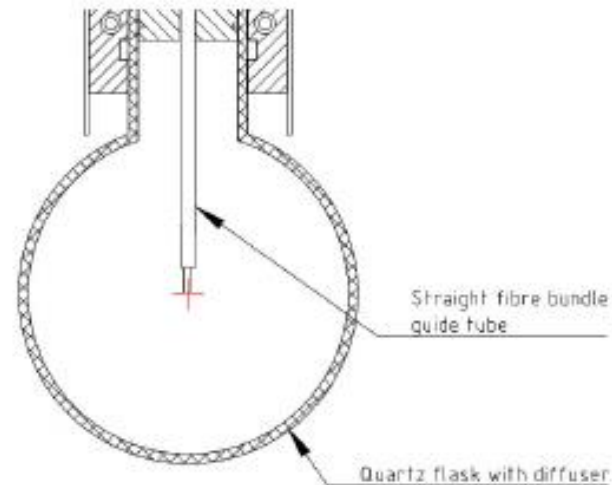
# Embedded Light Sources

- Source for embedded light source in HK PMT support
  - Similar to SNO+ fibre system.
- Could be deployed as a fibre system as in SNO+
- Alternatively could be deployed directly in detector
  - Particularly interesting if we have “wet-end” electronics.
- Useful for measuring/monitoring
  - PMT timing
  - Attenuation/extinction
  - Scattering



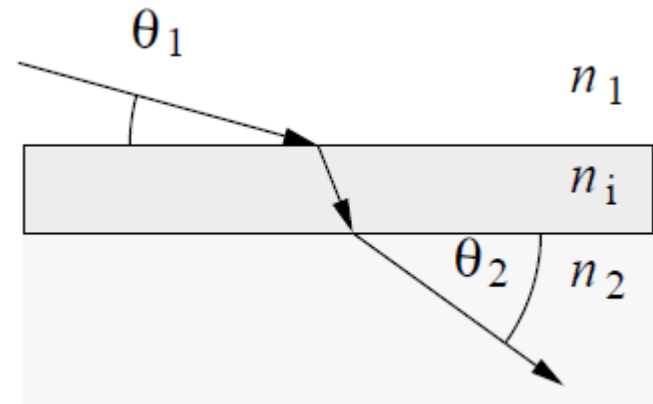
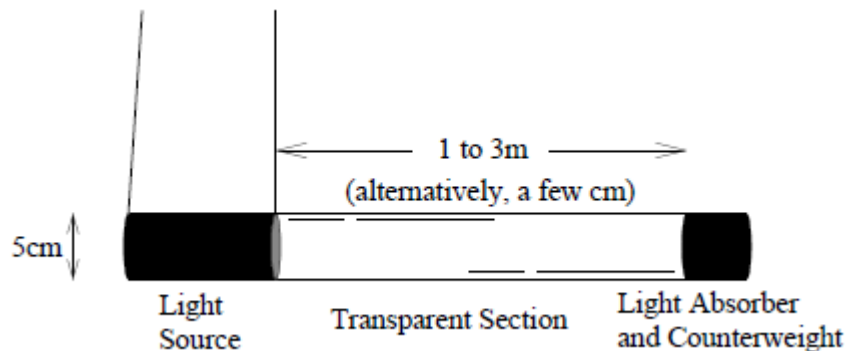
# For an isotropic source

- Adapt the laserball design from SNO.
  - Fibre in the centre of a quartz ball filled with beads potted in a gel.
  - Provides isotropic light.
- Replace fibre with LEDs.
  - Will be more isotropic as the light from a LED is more isotropic than from a fibre.
- Can potentially stay in the detector
  - Can run calibrations without running the laser system.



# A fake muon source

- A source to simulate muons and test reconstruction.
- A narrow transparent tube with a light source producing almost parallel light at one end.
- Light emitted at the Cherenkov angle.



$$n_1 \sin(\theta_1) = n_2 \sin(\theta_2)$$

independent of  $n_i$

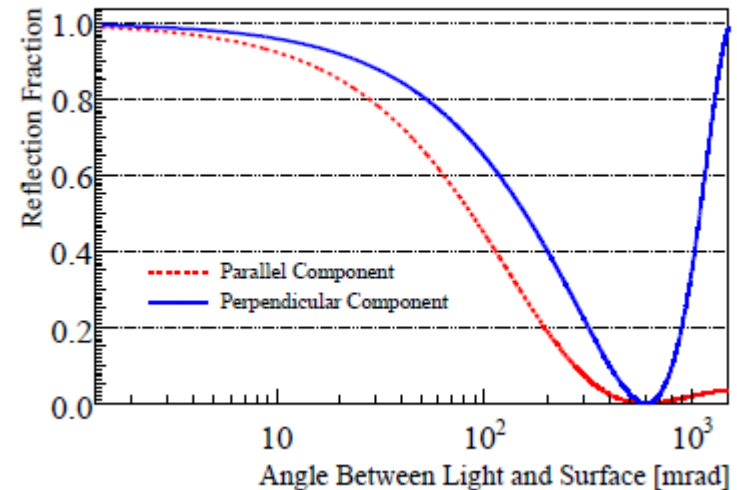
$$\text{As } \theta_1 \rightarrow 90^\circ \quad \sin(\theta_2) \rightarrow 1/n_c$$

Light emitted at Cherenkov angle.

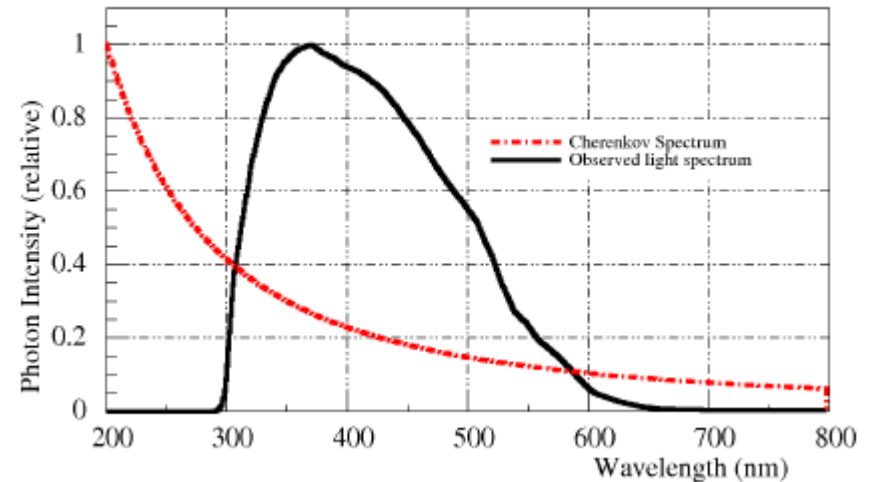
# Plans for muon source

- We plan to pursue this as an R&D project in the UK
- Produce a short source for testing.
- Use multiple LEDs to “cover” range of Cherenkov spectrum
- Plan to
  - Test angular distribution
  - Tune LED intensity
  - Test light deployment and absorption methods.

Fraction of Reflected Light from Air to Glass / Plastic



Cherenkov Spectrum Convolution



# Source Beacon

- LED source is small and compact and could be attached to any calibration source.
  - Or to the source deployment system
- Can therefore use as a beacon to determine the position of the source in the PMT co-ordinate system.
  - Collect multiple pulses – determine mean PMT time for direct light.
  - Reconstruct position of LED
  - Determines source position independent of source effects.
- Could also act as a light source for a camera system if one is deployed.
  - Flash LED at a high rate.

# Conclusions

- Calibration will be critical to meet the physics goals of HK
- A wide a varied program will be required
- Light sources
  - LED pulsers being pursued in the UK
- Radio active sources
- Calibration infrastructure
- Plenty of scope for European involvement.