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Baikal-GVD: first cluster Dubna

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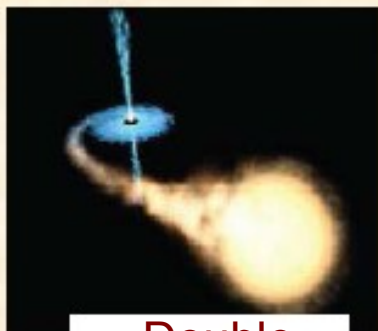
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Astrophysical targets: visible objects in GeV-TeV gamma-rays and dark matter clumps



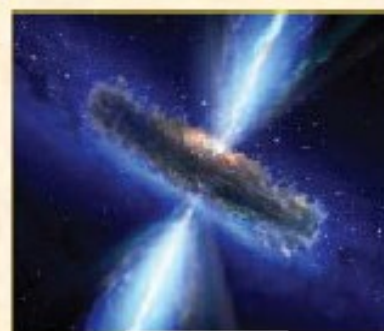
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Double systems



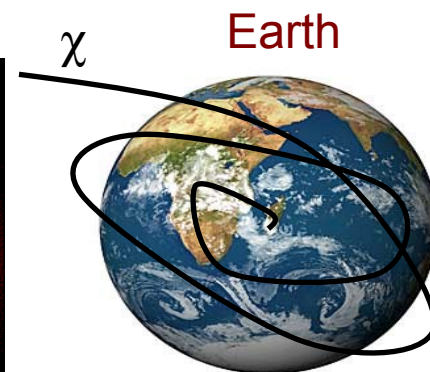
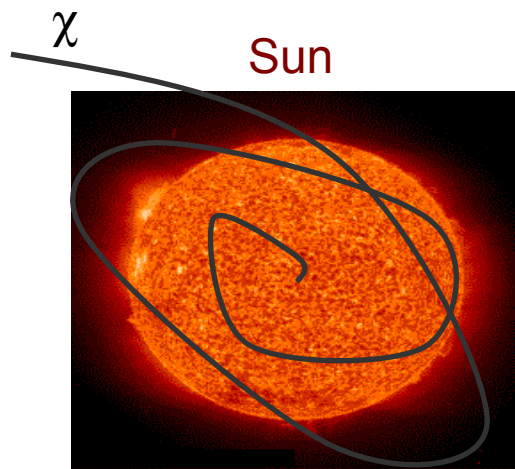
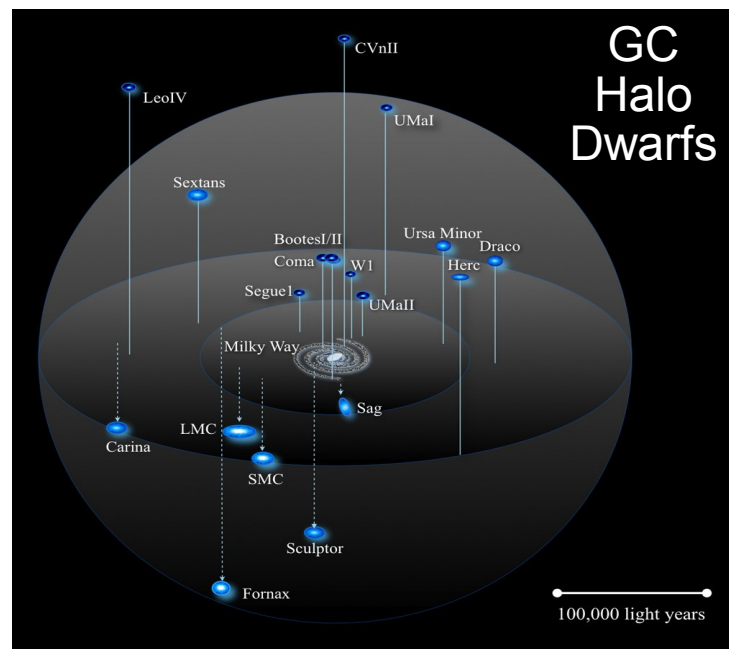
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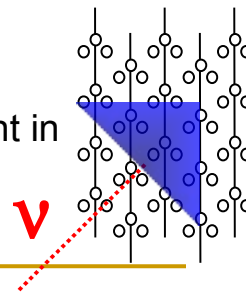
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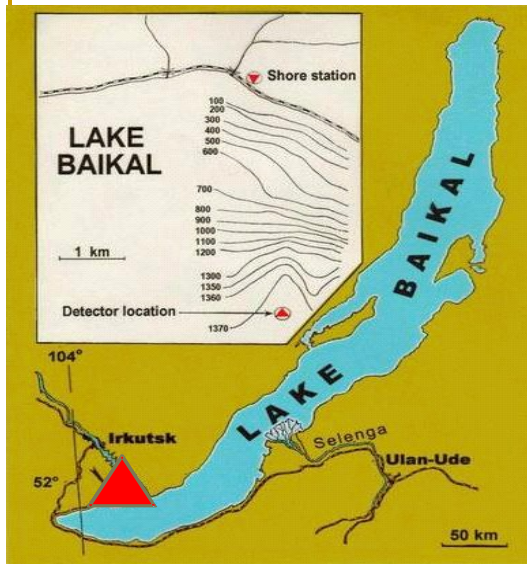
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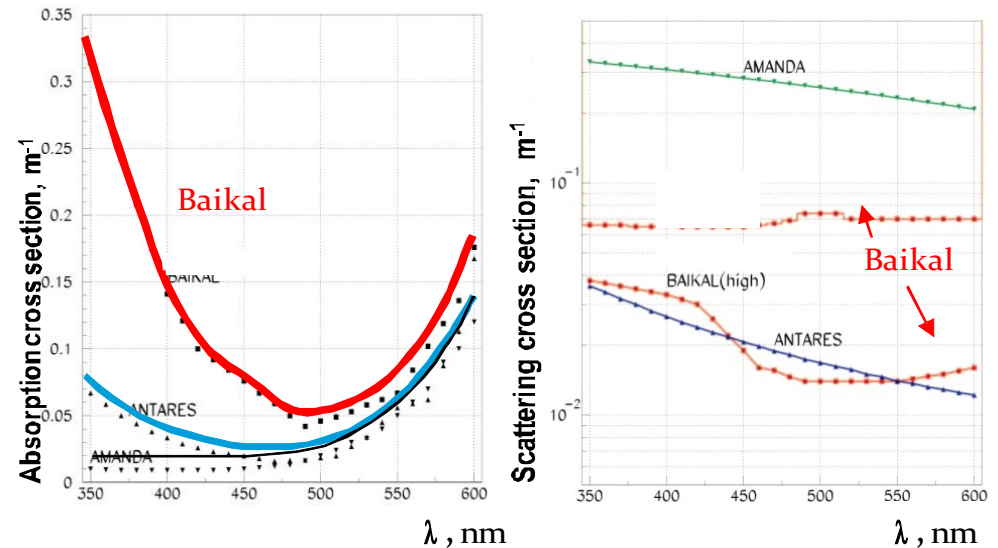
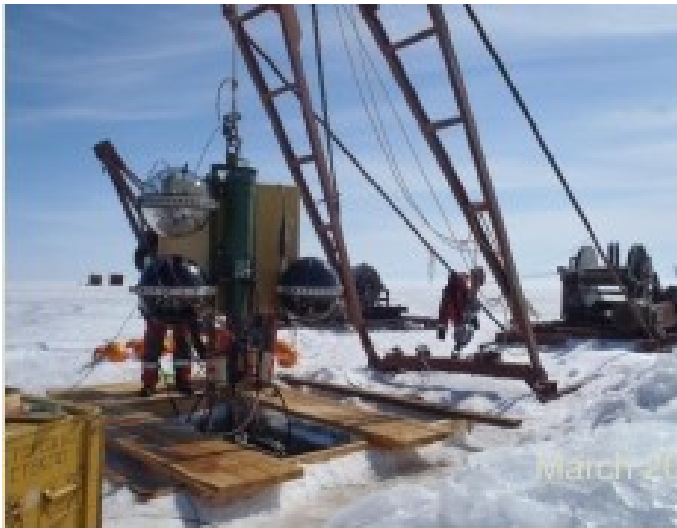
Observation of Cherenkov light in large natural volume of fresh water in Lake Baikal



The Baikal site and water properties



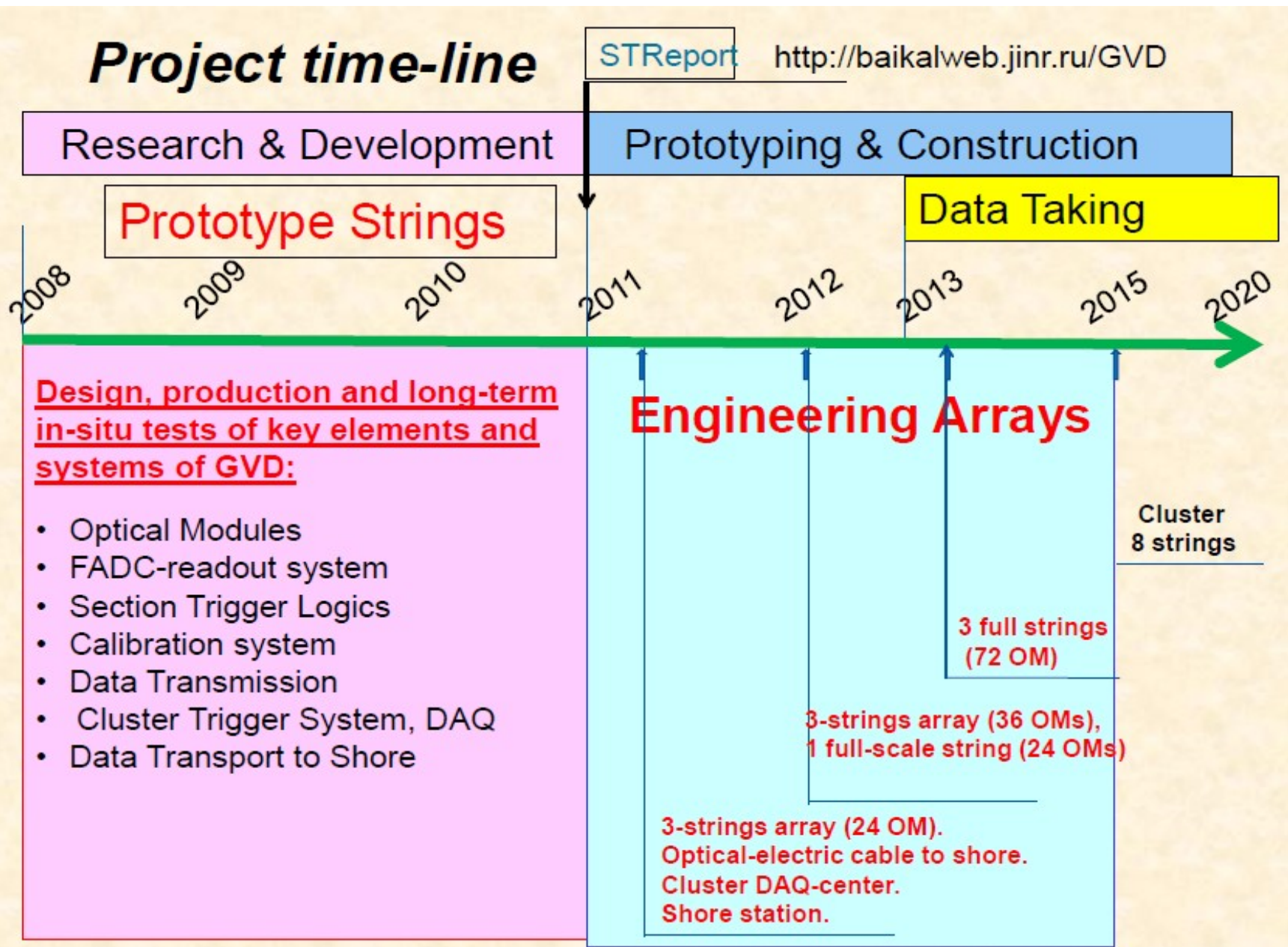
3.6 km to shore, 1370 m max depth



Absorption length – 22-24 m ; Scattering length: 30-50 m
($L_{\text{eff}} \sim 300-500$ m)

- No high luminosity bursts from biology.
- No K^{40} background.
- Deployment simplicity: ice is a natural deployment platform

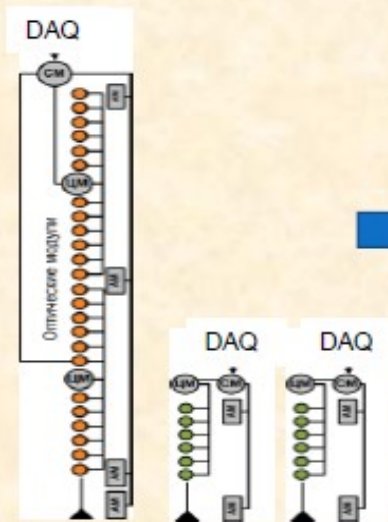
- Telescope installation, maintenance, upgrade and rearrangement
- Installation & test of a new equipment
- All connections are done on dry
- Fast shore cable installation (3-4 days)



Engineering arrays (2012-2014)

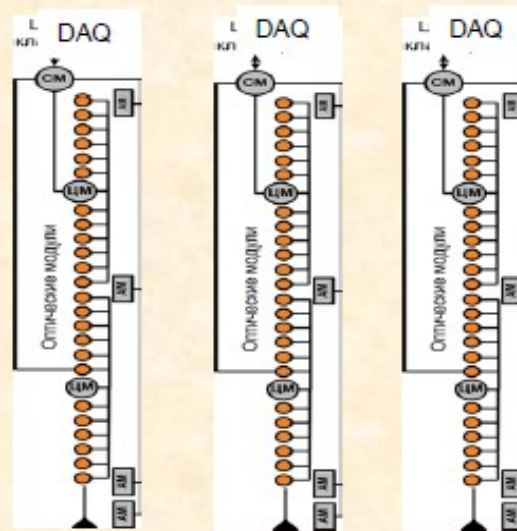
2012

3 strings, first full-scale
GVD string (24 OMs)
Data taking from
April 2012 – Feb. 2013.



2013

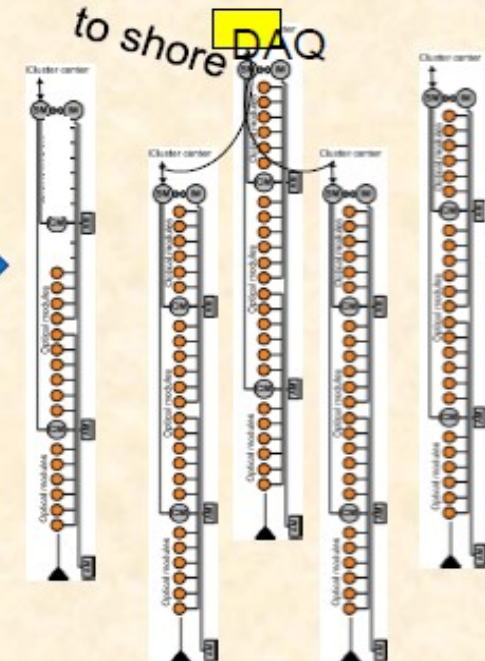
3 full-scale strings (72 OMs),
update of section electronics
Data taking
April 2013 – Feb. 2014



$\sim 10^6 \text{ M}^3$ instrumented volume

2014

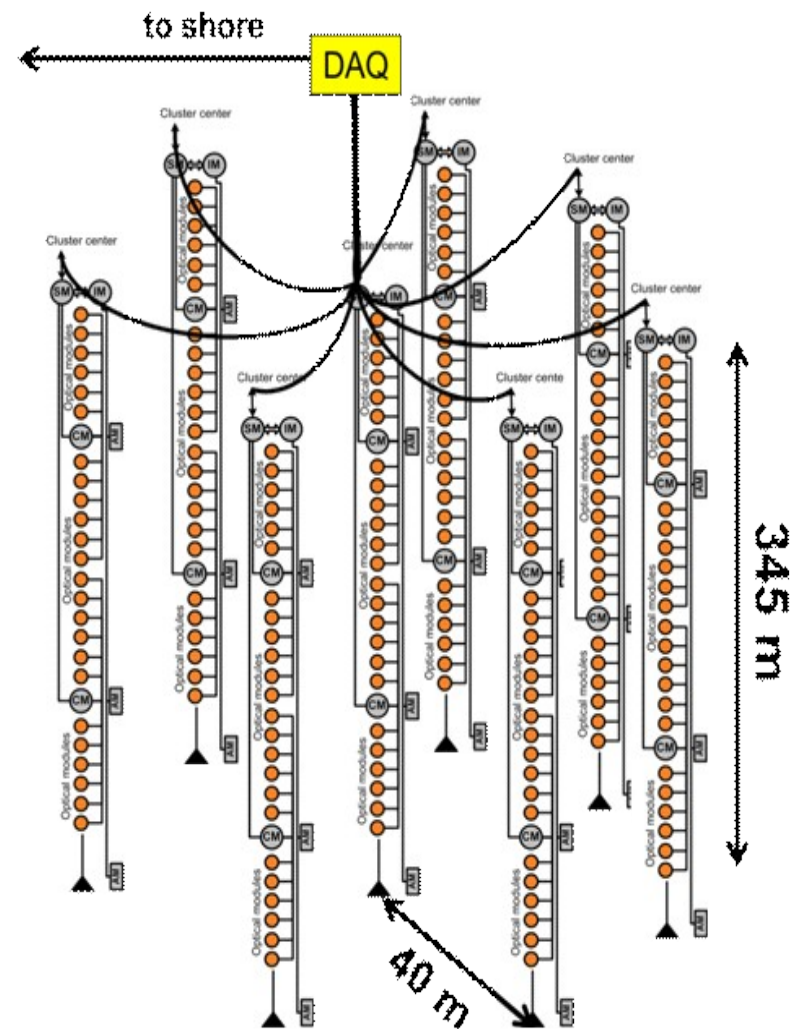
5 strings (112 OMs)
Data taking since
April 2014 - now



$\sim 2 \times 10^6 \text{ M}^3$

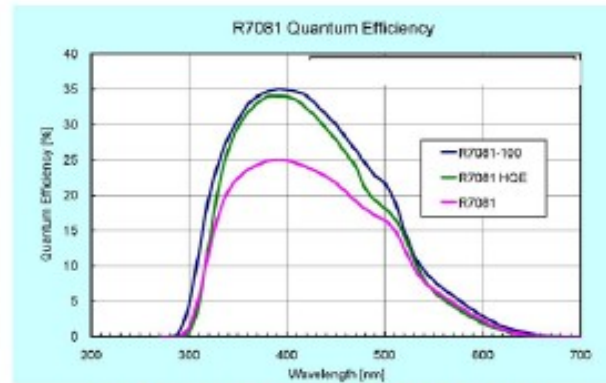
April 2015: first cluster of the GVD

- 192 OMs located at 8 strings;
 - 2 sections per string
 - 12 OMs per section
 - each OM spaced by 15 m
- DAQ-center
- Optical cable to shore
- Acoustic positioning system;
- Active depth 950 — 1300 m



the peripheral strings have been located at a reduced radius of 40 m around a central one (compared to 60 m for the baseline configuration)

Optical module design



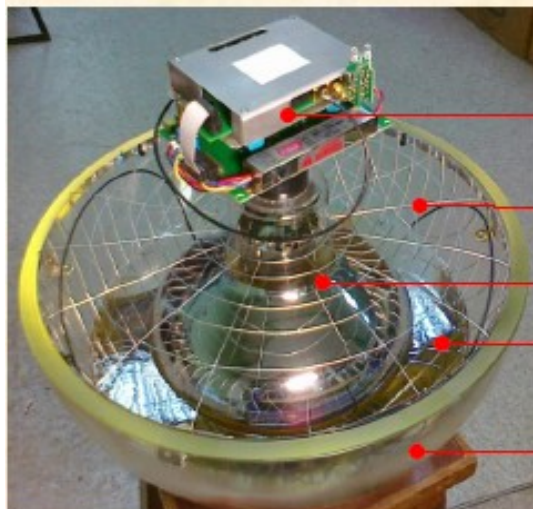
Quantum efficiency

R7081-100 Hamamatsu



D=10 inch. SBA photocathode QE \approx 35% @ 400nm; Gain $\sim 10^7$, dark count ~ 8 kHz

Angular sensitivity



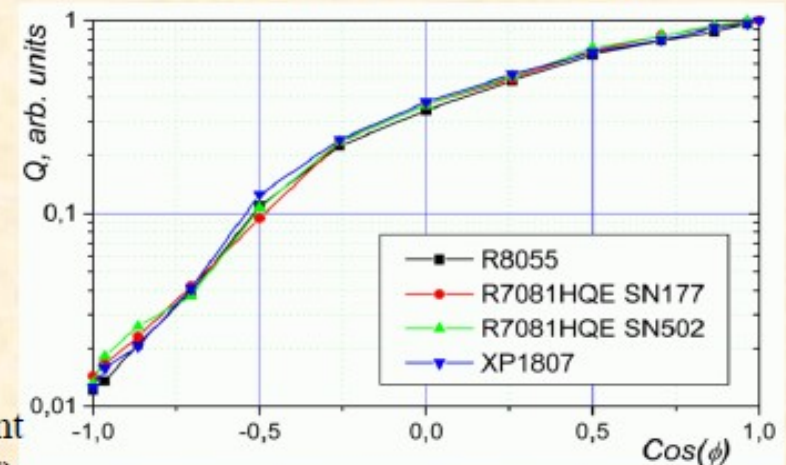
OM electronics

Mu-metal cage

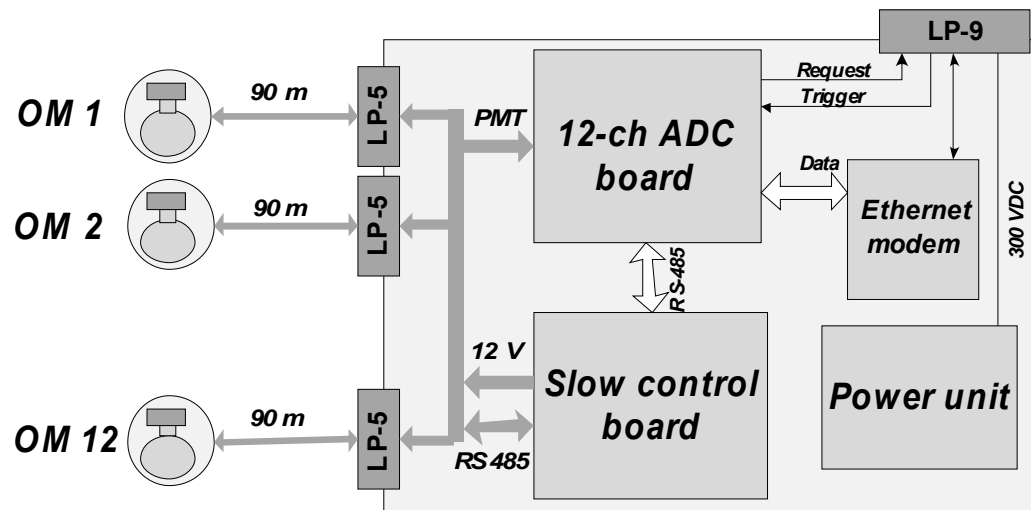
PMT

Optical gel

Glass pressure-resistant
sphere VETROVEX (17'')



Section: 12 OMs and CEM



12-channel ADC unit: PMTs analog pulse conversion, time synchronization, data processing, local trigger.

Data transmission: Two outputs of ADC board: optical output (for future detector extension) and 100 BASE-TX (present stage).

shDSL modem: Extending the Ethernet line up to 1 km.

Slow control board: OM power on/off and control of OM operation (RS485).

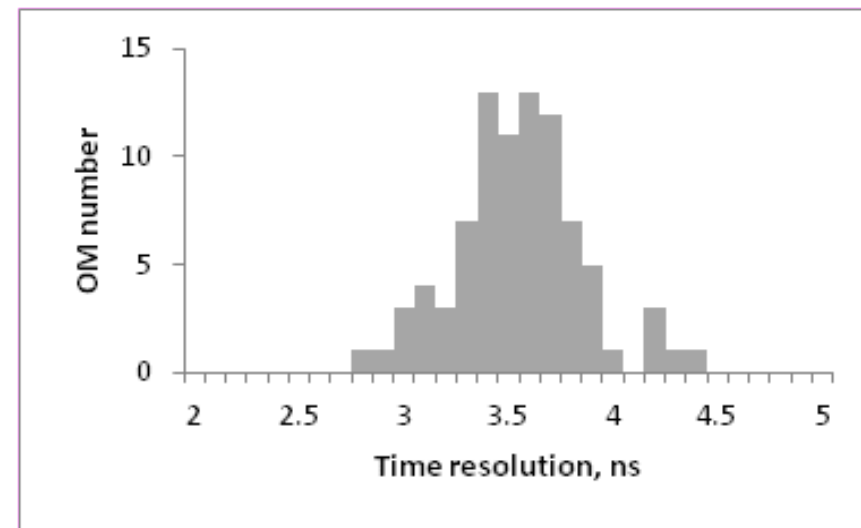
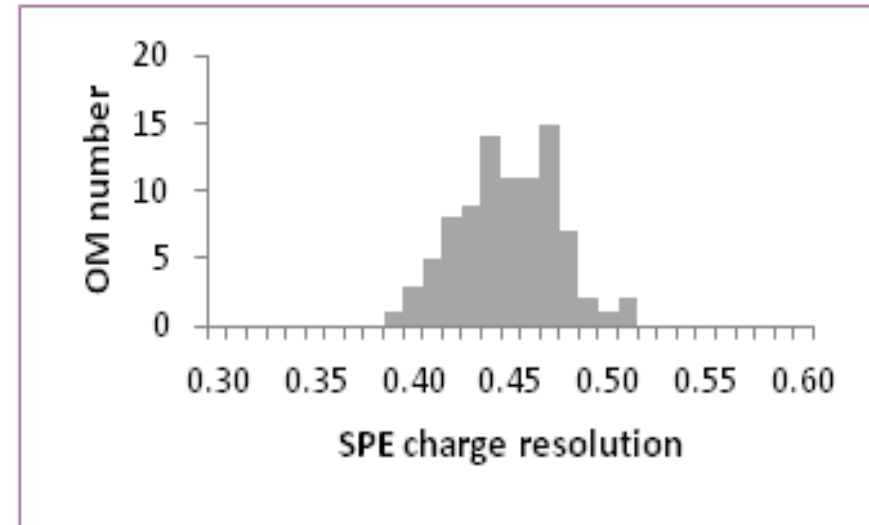
Optical module: functions and calibrations

Basic functions for section operation

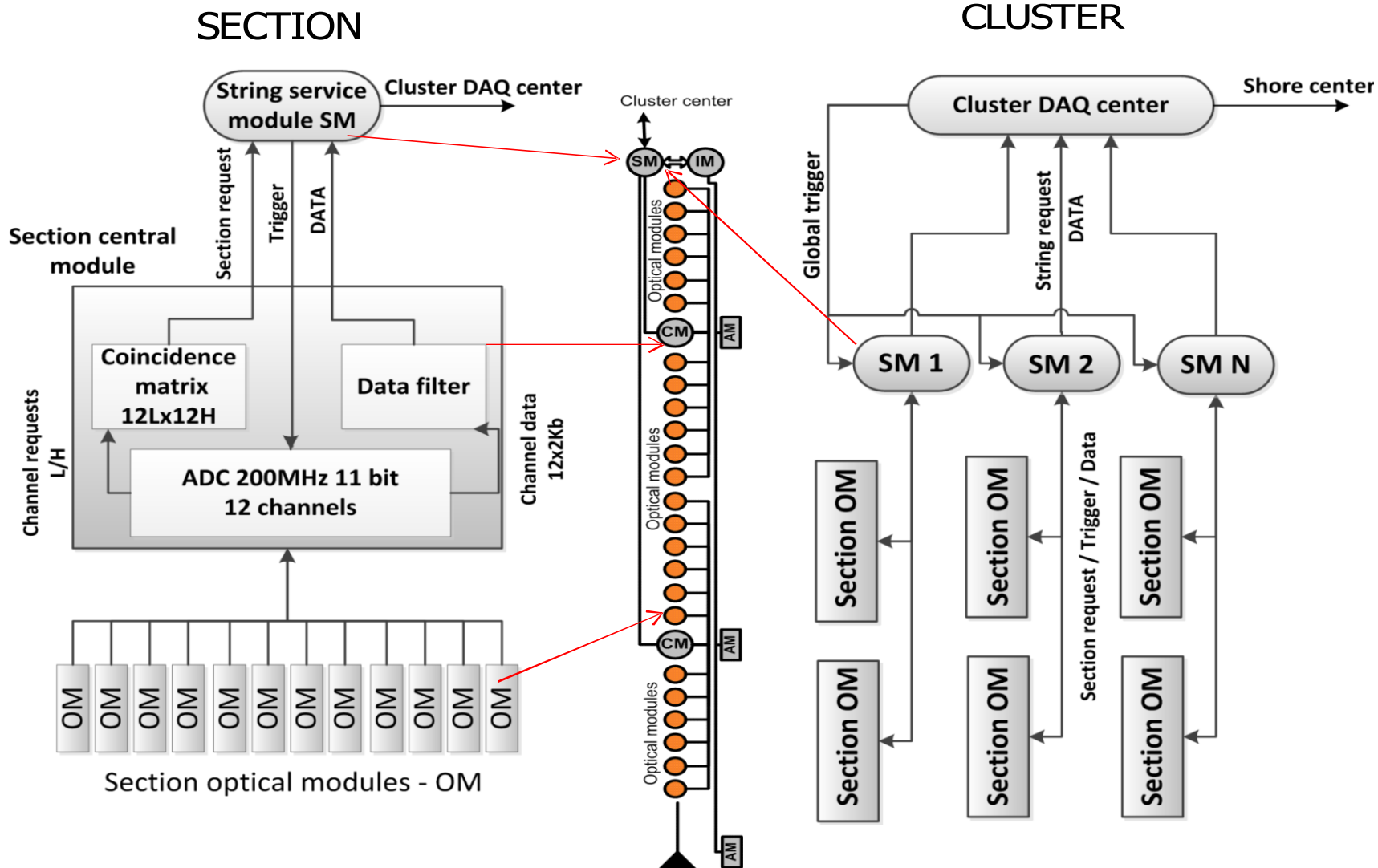
- Detection of the particle radiation
- Shaping of the output analog pulse for signal transmission to the ADC board
- Control of the PMT operation modes
- Calibration and monitoring of the parameters of OM electronic components.

Fully automatized test procedures

- Electronic components, stress test, modes var.
- Adjustment of the PMT power supply volt.
- Performance with oscilloscope LeCroy
- SPE spectrum, threshold 0.2SPE
- Nonlinearity of measuring channels (LED pulses, linearity range $\sim 100\text{p.e.}$)



Triggering and Data Transmission

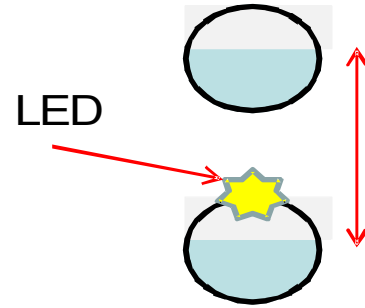
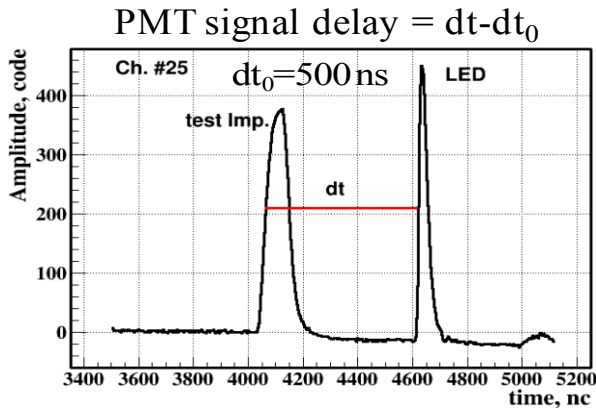
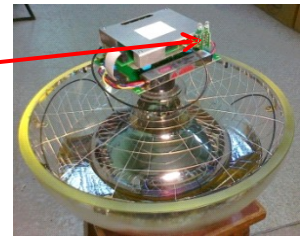


Time calibration – two methods

Measurement of signal delay of each channel

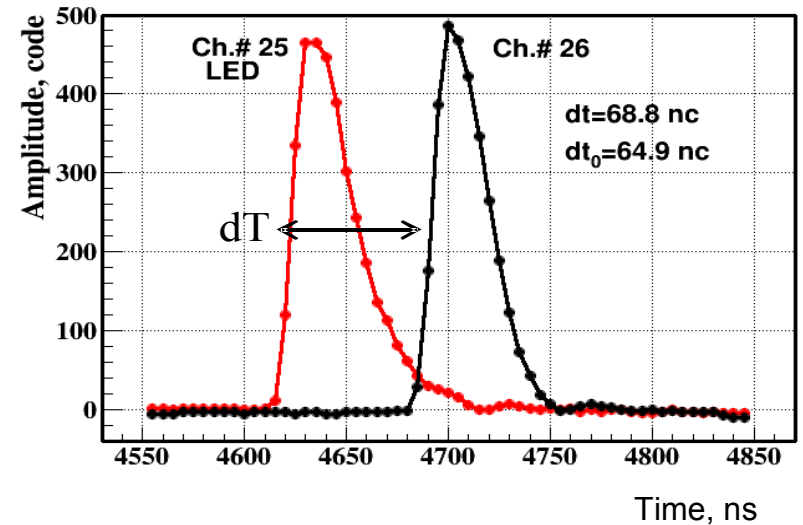
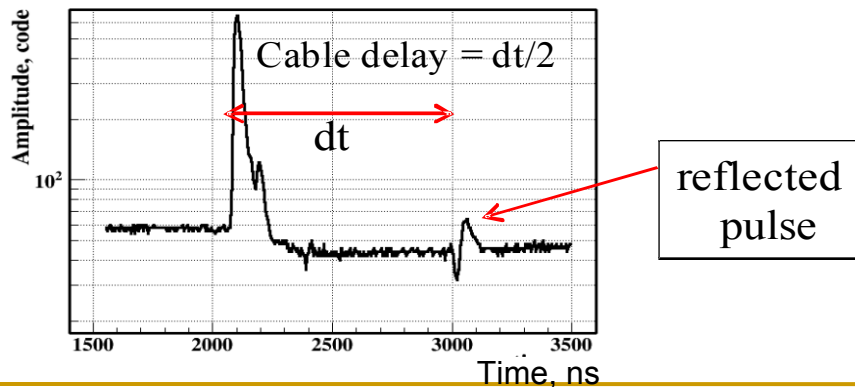
Time difference of two channels

two LEDs



15 m- distance between OMs
 $dT_0 = 64.9 \text{ ns}$ – expected time difference

Signal delay in cable (~90 m) is measured in lab.



Reconstruction of laser-light source position

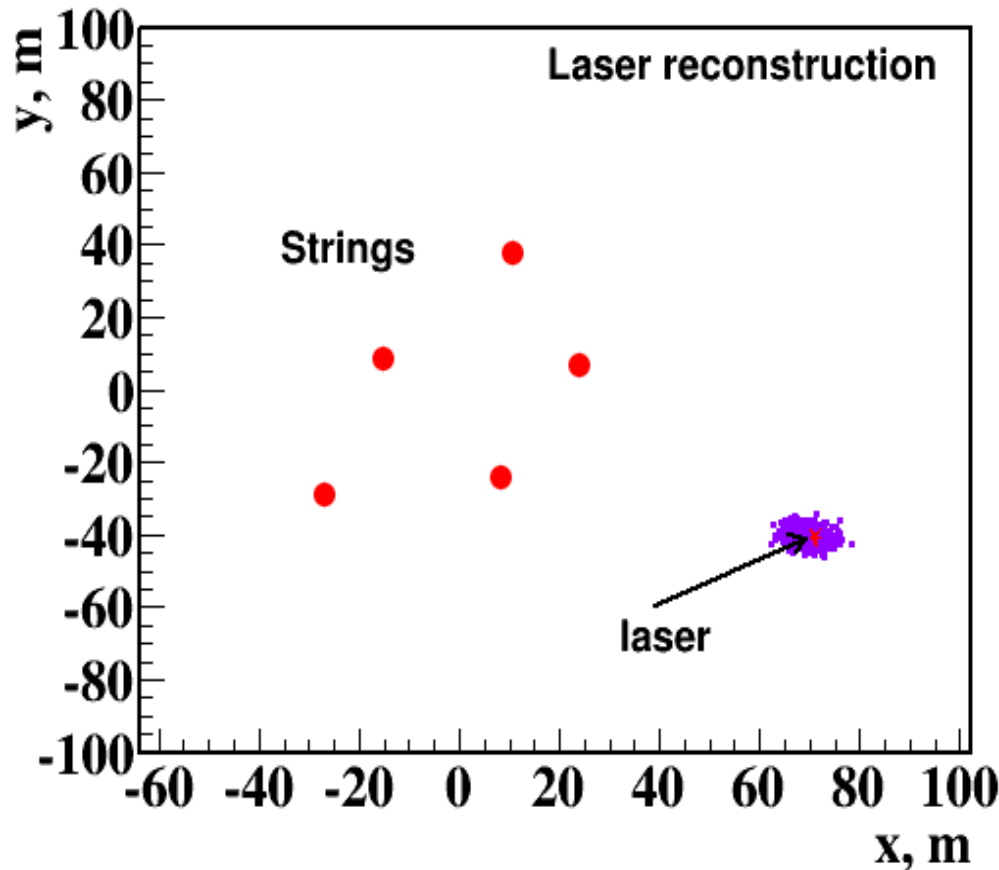
- Laser and OMs coordinates from data of acoustic positioning system
- Time offsets of OMs from LED calibration
- Iterative reconstruction procedure – OMs with residual $\delta t > 15$ ns are excluded from analysis

$$\chi_t^2 = \frac{1}{(N_{hit} - 4)} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{hit}} \frac{(T_i(x, y, z, t_0) - t_i)^2}{\sigma_{ti}^2},$$



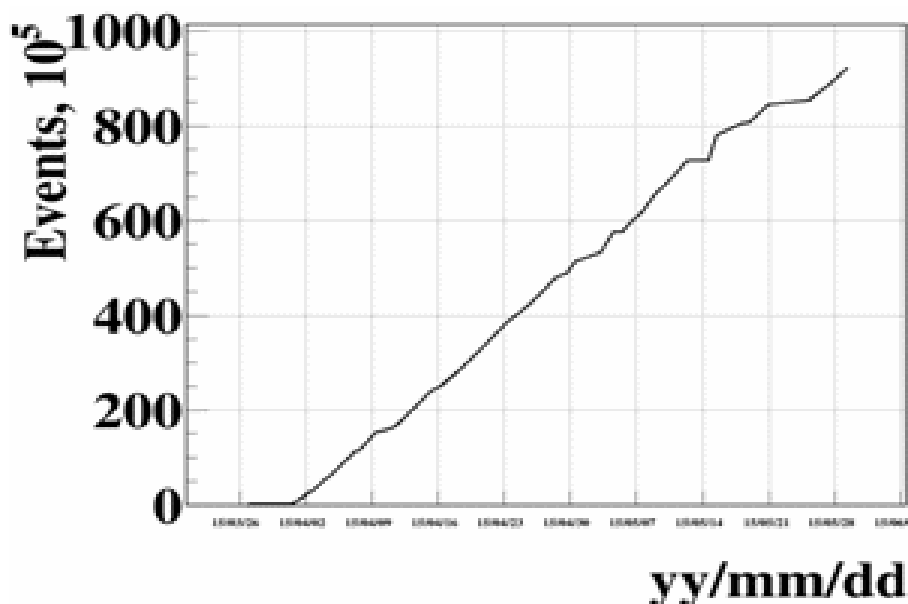
External calibration laser:

- 480 nm light pulses
- Five fixed intensities:
 $\sim 10^{12} - 6 \cdot 10^{13}$ \square / pulse
(~10 PeV – 600 PeV shower energy)
- Distances: 50 – 250 m.

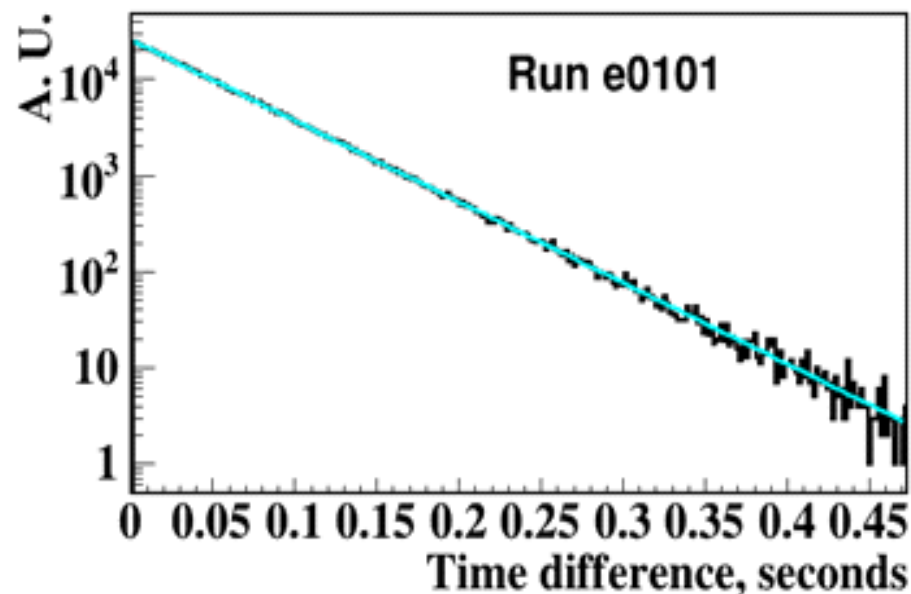


Operation-2015

Cumulative number of events

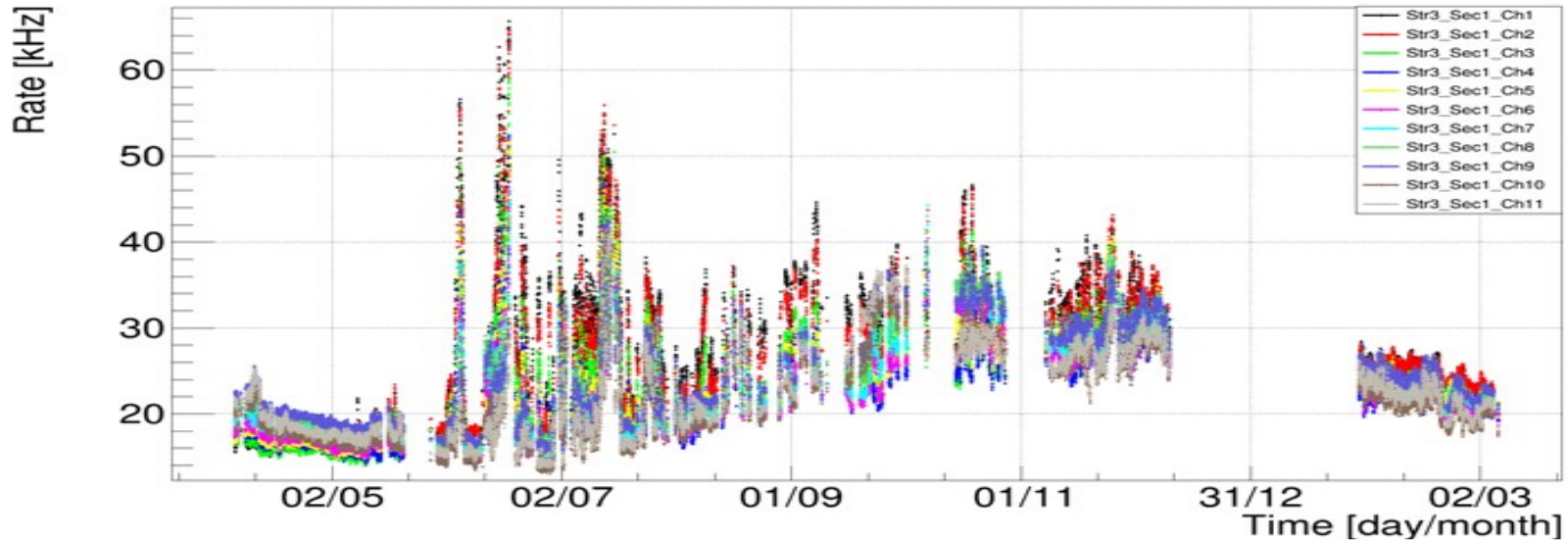


ΔT between subsequent events

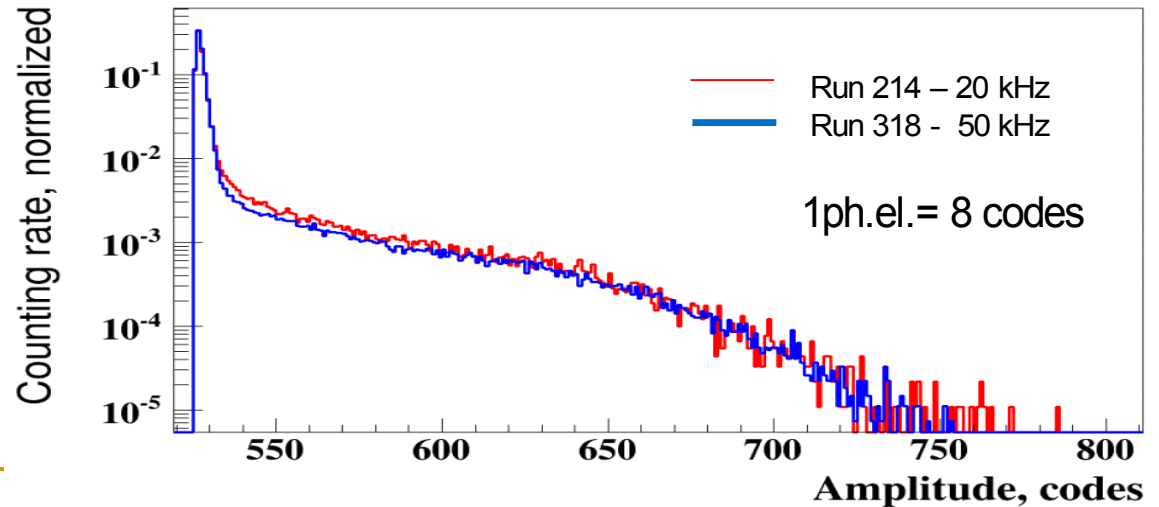


Operation-2014, 2015

Counting rates of OMs



Amplitude distribution of selected OM recorded pulses



Atmospheric muons

Runs - (156 – 169)

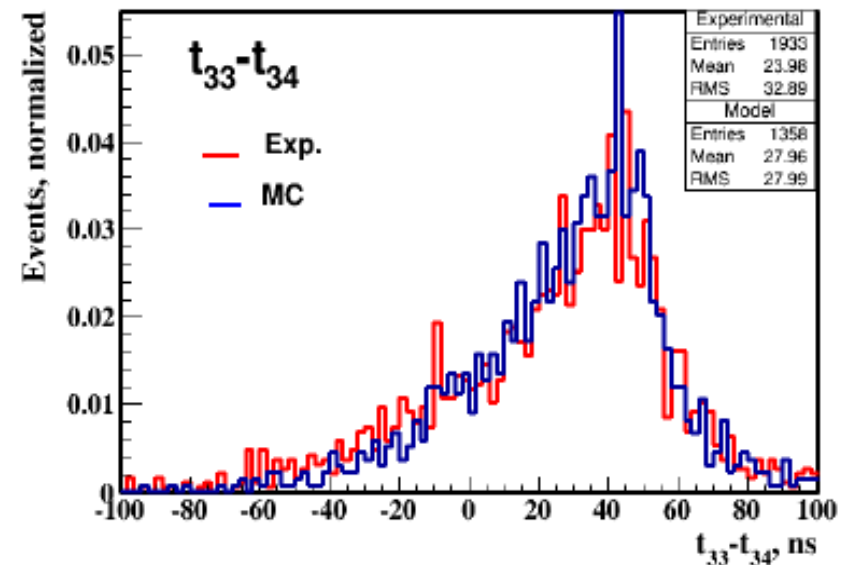
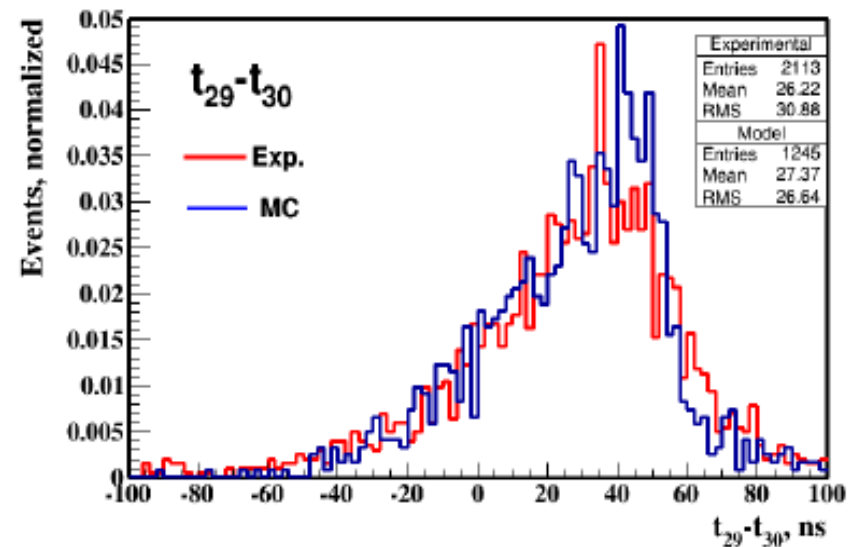
Statistics - 1707896 events

Trigger - 4 OMs /section

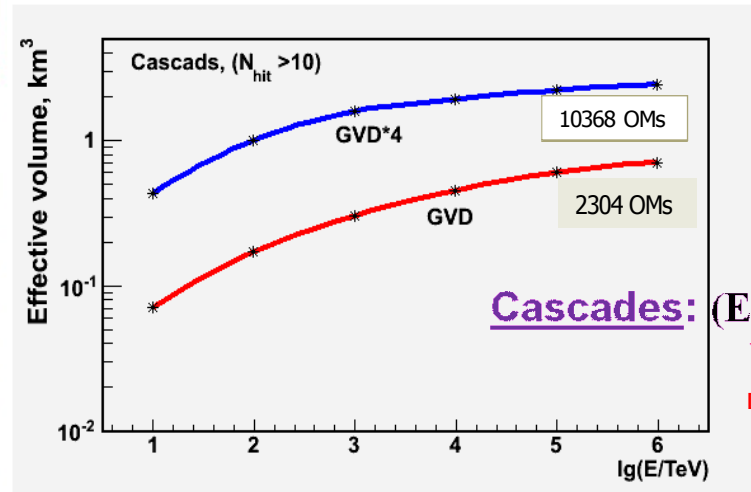
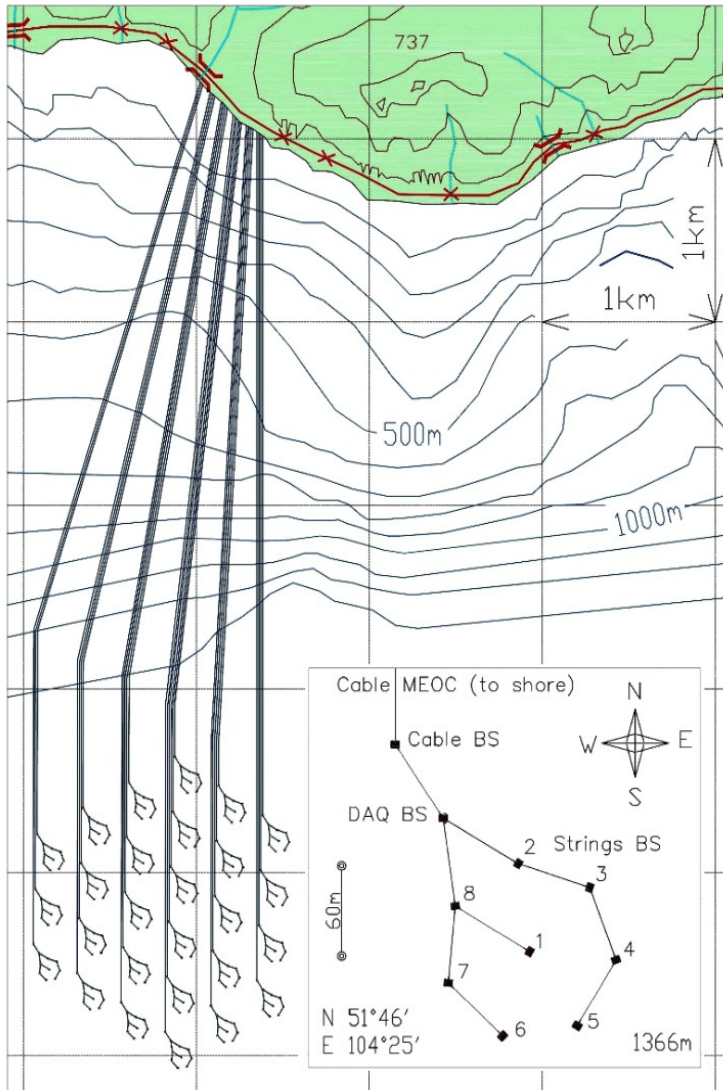
Selection – $Q > 2$ ph.el.

LED – calibration

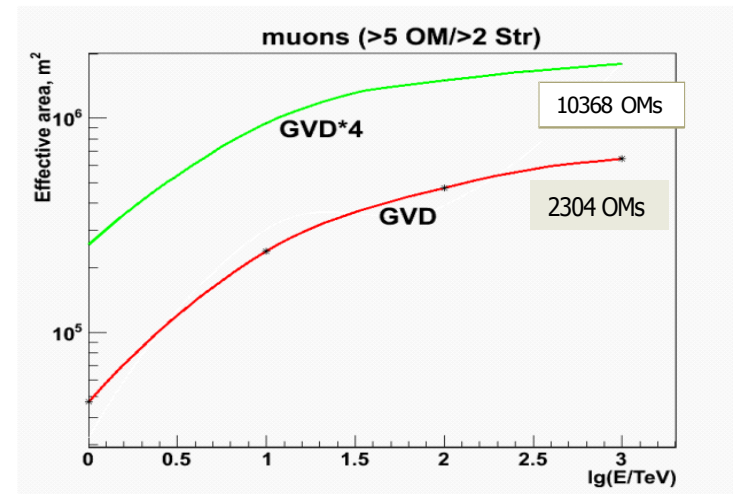
Data consistent with expectation



GVD with 12 clusters and more; Performance



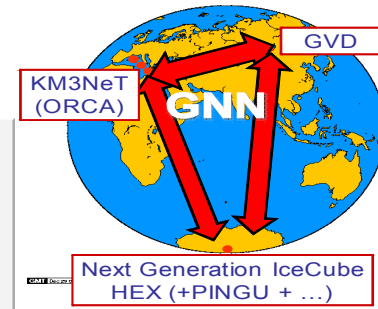
$V_{\text{eff}} \sim 0.4\text{--}2.4 \text{ km}^3$
Direction resolution: $3.5^\circ - 5.5^\circ$



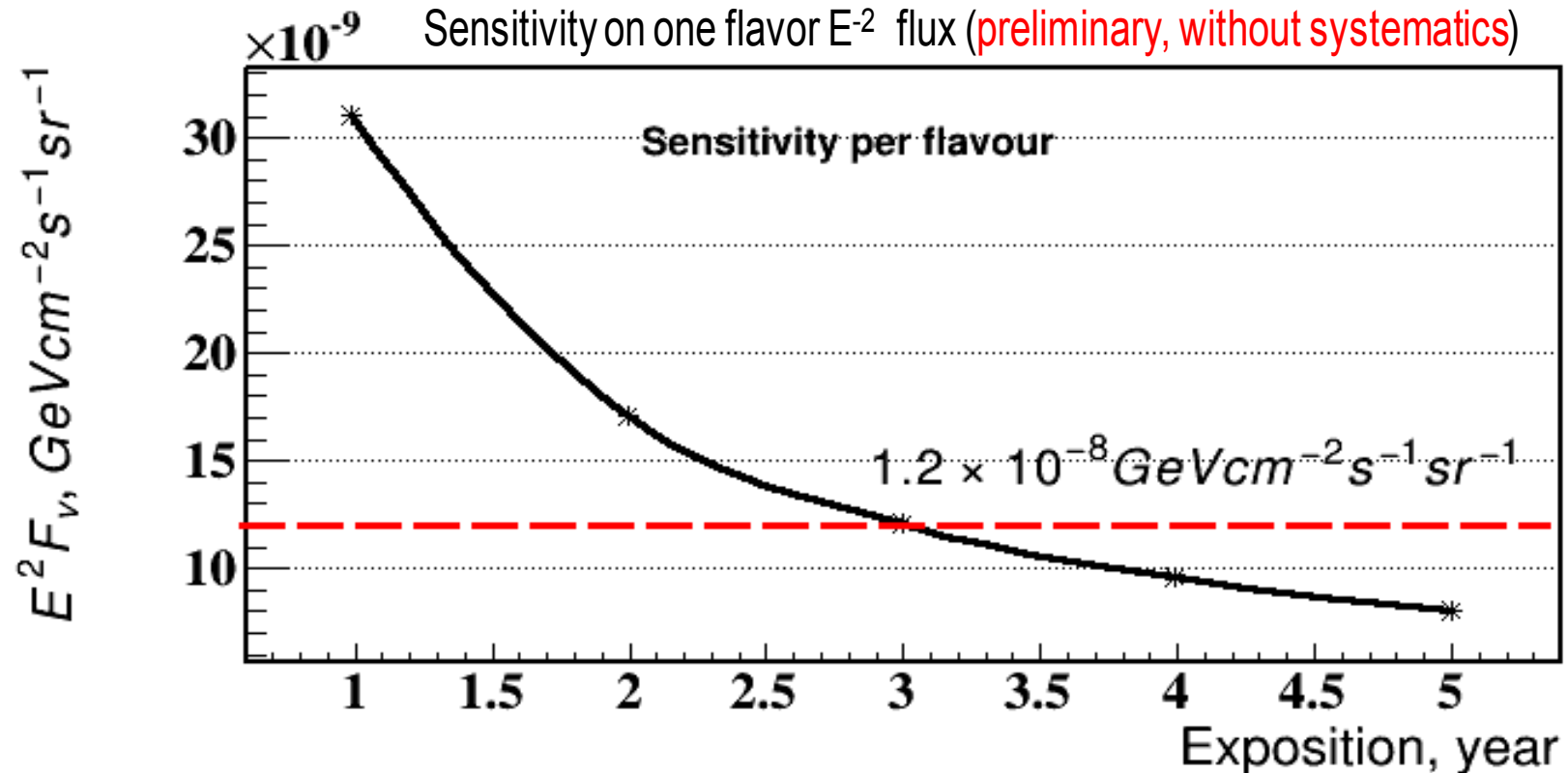
Muons: ($E > 1 \text{ TeV}$):

$S_{\text{eff}} \sim 0.3\text{--}1.8 \text{ km}^2$

Direction resolution - 0.25°



Sensitivity to neutrino induced showers



Expected number of events

for 1 year exposition:

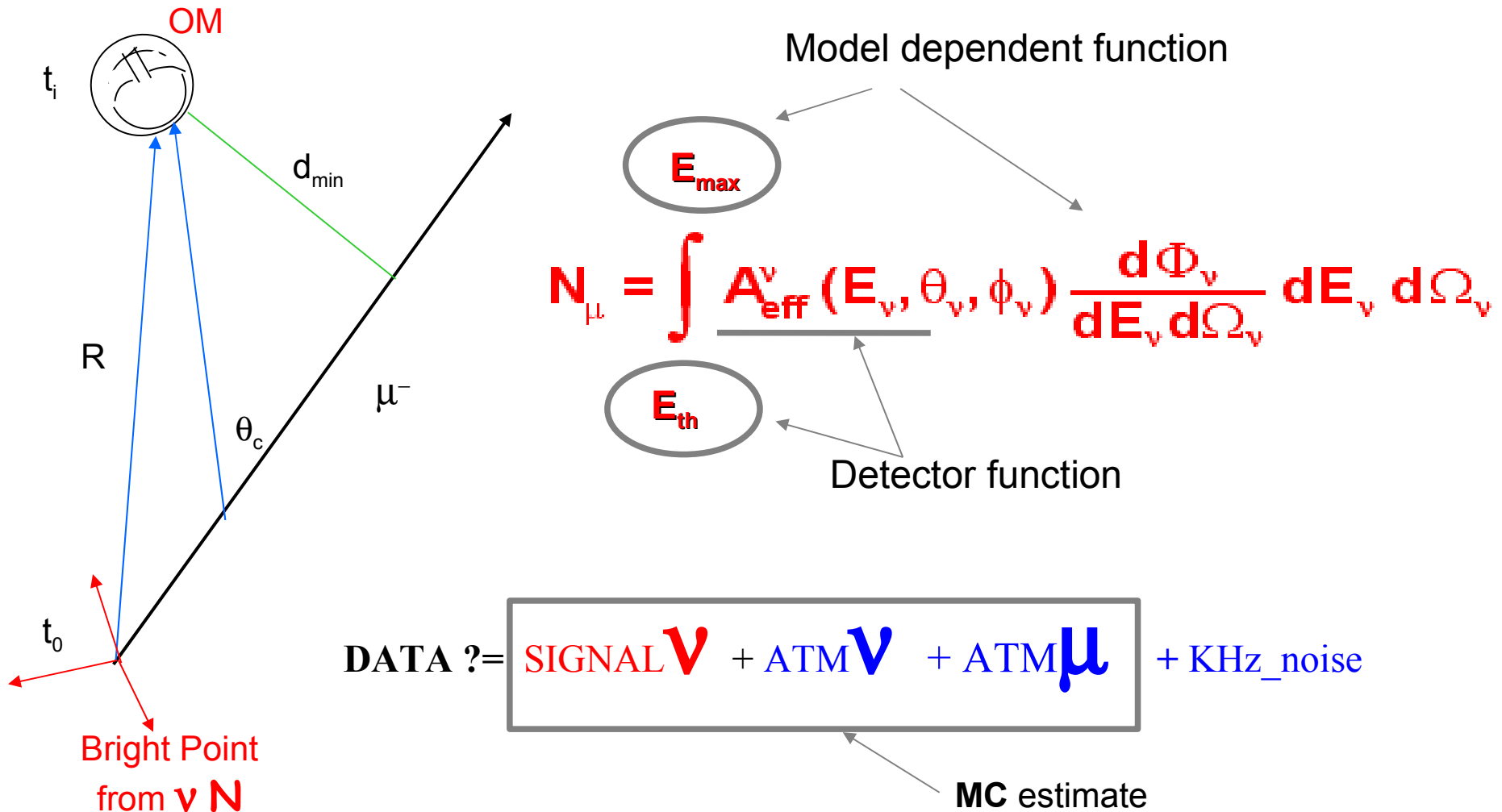
1 ev. from astrophysical IC flux

0.05 ev – atm. ν ;

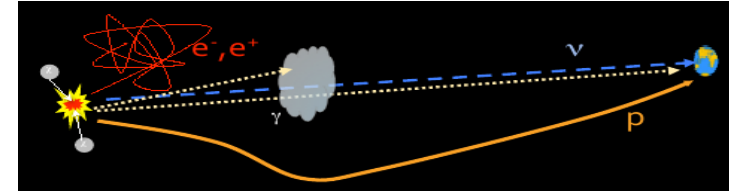
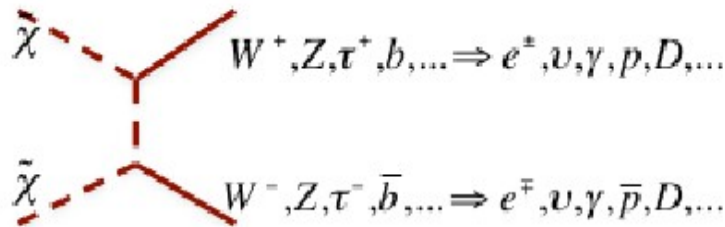
0.05 ev. – atm. μ

Sensitivity to neutrino induced muons

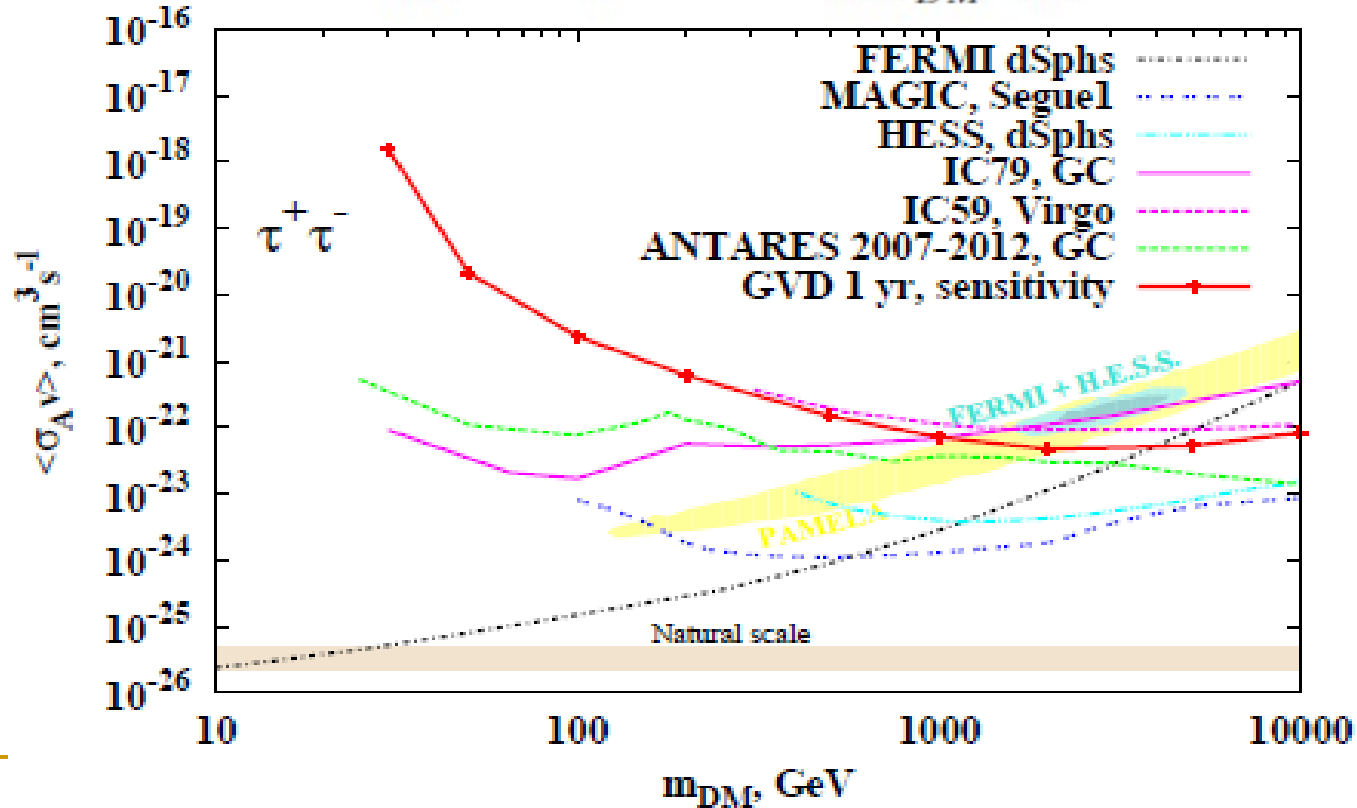
Expected rate of muons



GVD sensitivity to DM annihilations in the GC

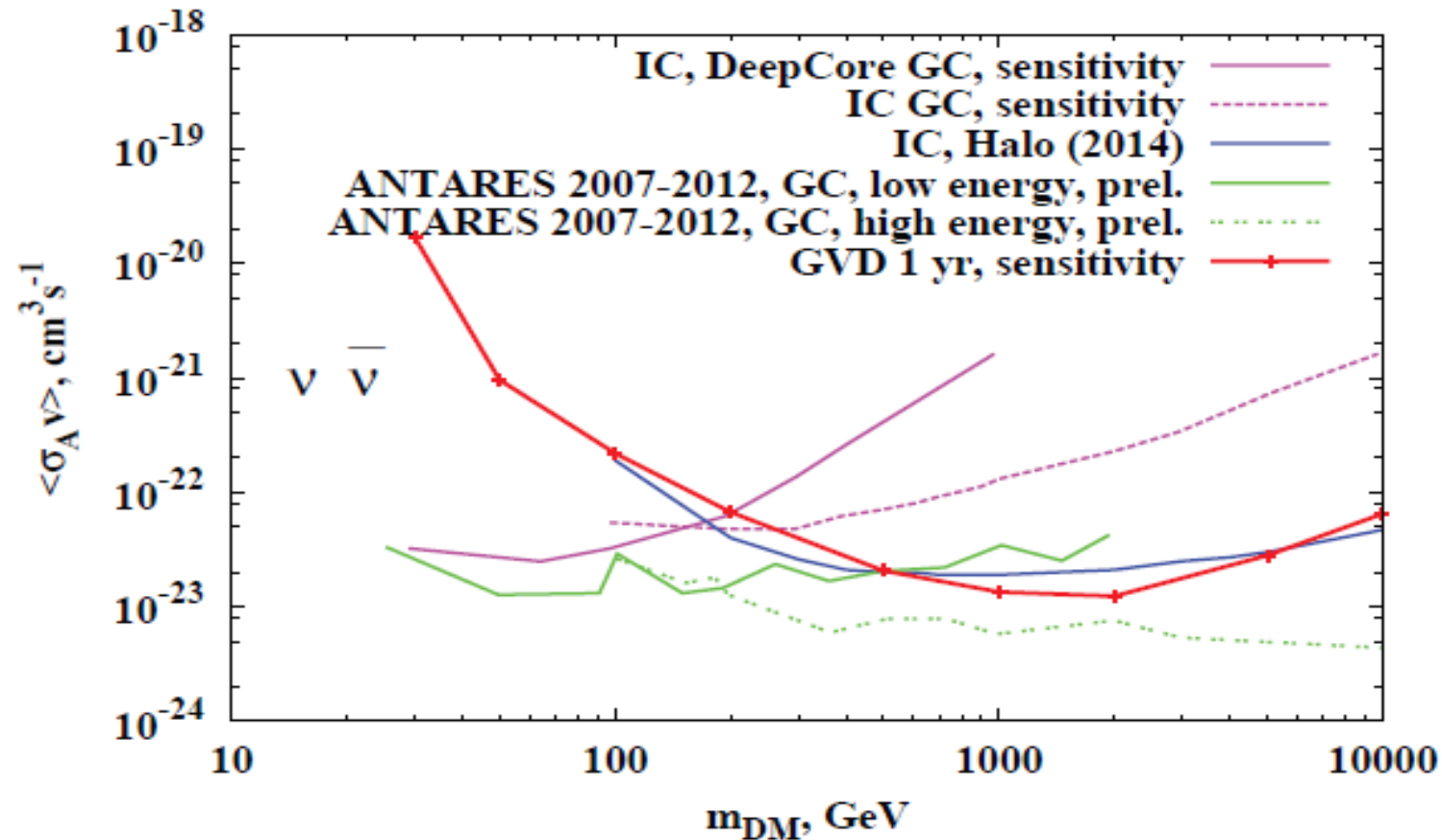


$$\frac{d\phi_\nu}{dE} = \frac{\langle \sigma_{AV} \rangle}{2} J_2(\Psi) \frac{R_0 \rho_{local}^2}{4\pi m_{DM}^2} \frac{dN_\nu}{dE}$$



GVD sensitivity vs stringent bounds on Galactic DM with NTs

Comparison for annihilation $\chi\bar{\chi} \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}$



SUMMARY

In early April 2015, the first Dubna cluster of the Baikal Gigaton Volume Detector is in operation. It comprises 192 optical modules. The modules are arranged at depths down to 1,300 m.

Over its next stages of evolution, the telescope will be stepwise extended by deploying new clusters. By 2020, it is planned to consist of 10-12 clusters with a total volume of about 0.4 cubic kilometers (GVD phase-1).



An aerial photograph of a vast, frozen lake, likely Lake Baikal, showing intricate patterns of clear, blue ice and snow. The background features snow-capped mountains under a clear blue sky. The text "Thank you!" is centered in white.

Thank you!

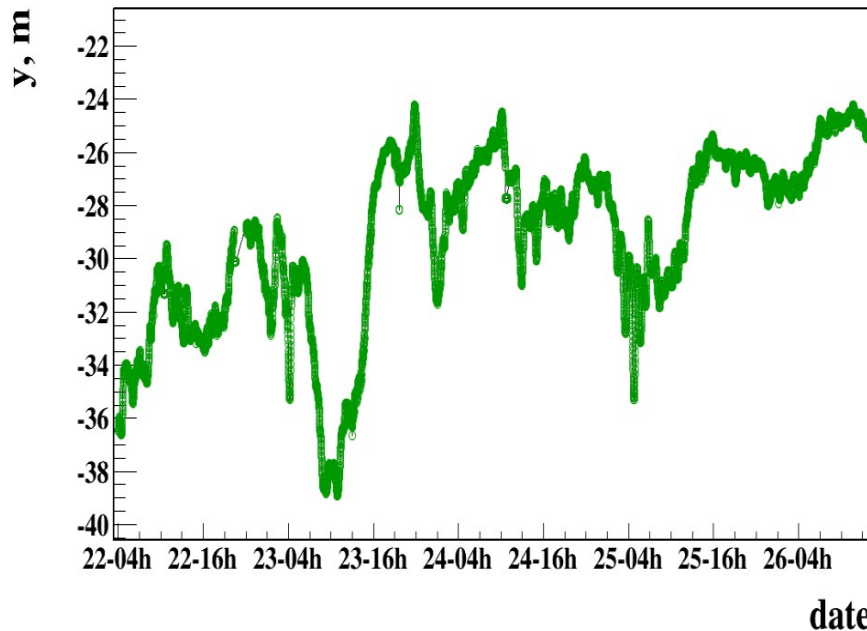
Backup slides

Operation-2014

Performance of acoustic positioning system:

- data every 30 seconds
- high resolution

Horizontal displacement of hydrophone



Vertical displacement

