



Supernova Neutrino Detection with LHAASO-MD

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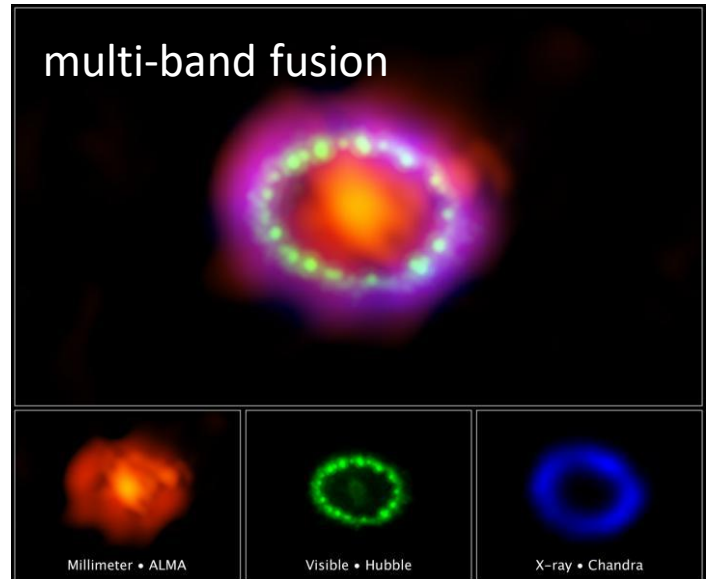
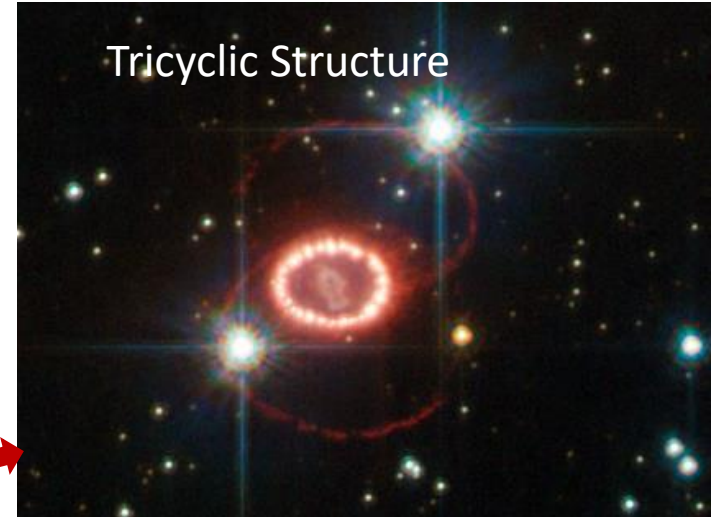
Supernova SN1987A

On 24 February 1987. A neutrino burst, which signified the event as a type II core-collapse supernova (SN), was retrospectively detected by several detectors.

51.4 kpc to the earth.



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SN1987A Neutrino

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- The first (and so far only) supernova detected by its neutrino emissions
- Neutrino events recorded by the Kamiokande, IMB and Baksan experiments.
- The 24 neutrino were recorded over a time interval of 13 seconds.
- Energy 10-50MeV

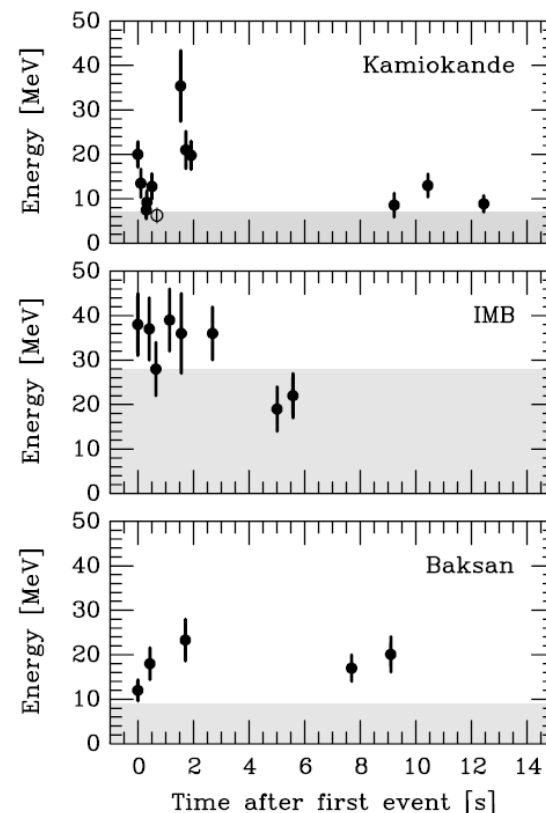
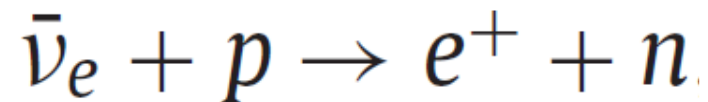


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Supernova Neutrino detection

Supernova neutrino is detected by the **inverse beta process (IBD)** in most experiments.

Positron carries almost all the energy from neutrino.



	Detection method	target	Target mass → IBD events amount	backgr ound
1 st class	IBD Event Reconstruction	Liquid scintillator/ water	Small	Low
2 nd class	Collective rise in all events rates on top of the dark noise	water (ice)	Large	High

Compare LHAASO-MD with other experiments

	Experiment	Target	Target mass(kton)	IBD Events	Threshold(MeV)	Material coverage	Number and distance of detector units	background rate(Hz)
1st class	KamLAND	Liquid scintillator	1	300	0.35	underground 1000m	single	<1
	LVD	Liquid scintillator	1	300	4	underground 1400m	single	<1
	Borexino	Liquid scintillator	0.3	100	0.2	underground 1400m	single	<1
	Daya Bay	Liquid scintillator	0.33	110	0.7	underground 250-860m	8	<1
	JUNO	Liquid scintillator	20	6700	0.5	underground 700m	single	<1
	Super-K	water	32	7000	7	underground 1000m	single	<1
2nd class	IceCube	Ice	1000	134000	-	under ice 1450-2450m	5160DOMs, 7,72/42m	540->286
	LHAASO-WCDA	water	300	20000	-	on the ground	3120, Close to each other	>30K
	LHAASO-MD	water	51	12750	5	underground 2.5m	1171, 30m	8k->400?

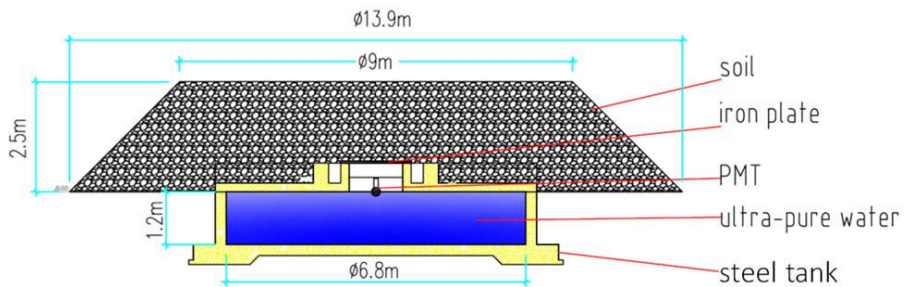
The estimation based on calculations for the SK detector

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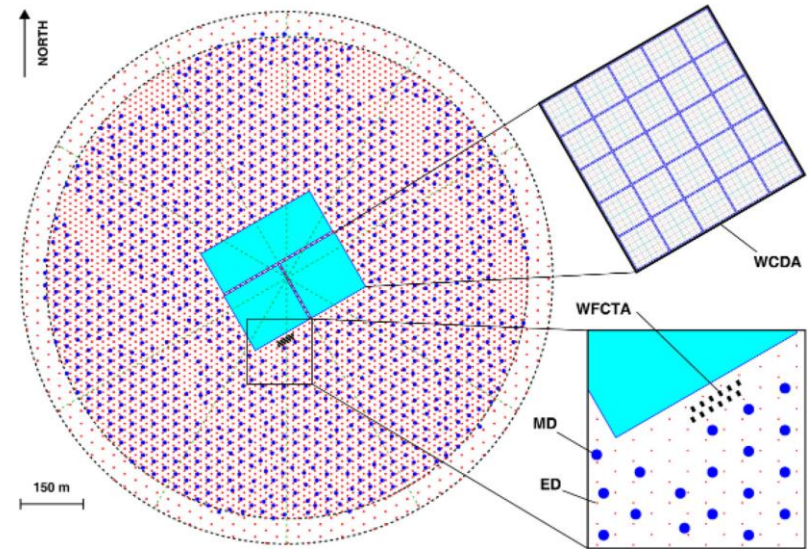


- **SNEWS** - SuperNova Early Warning System <http://snews.bnl.gov/>
- The goal is to provide a World-wide alert of the supernova neutrino signal
- 7 member experiments:
Super-K (Japan), LVD (Italy), Ice Cube (South pole), KamLAND (Japan),
Borexino (Italy), Daya Bay (China), HALO (Canada)
- Hope LHAASO could be the 8th experiments.

LHAASO-MD



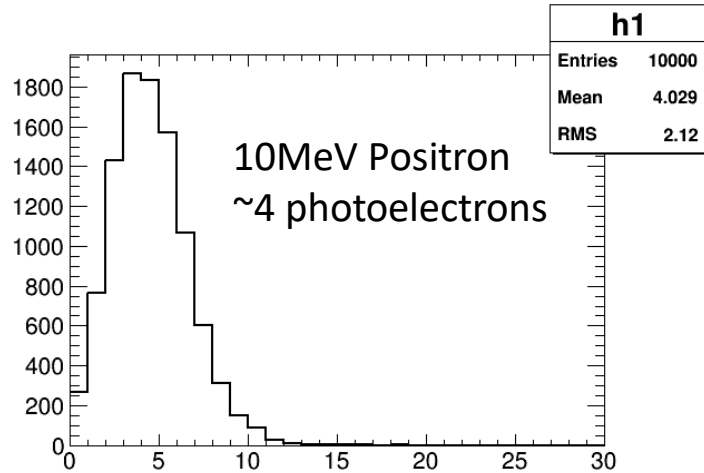
Schematic of LHAASO MD



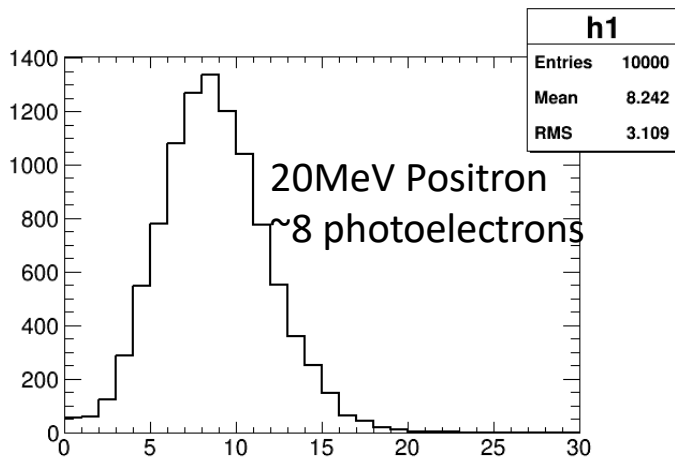
MD distribution

- Number of MD units: 1171; Distance 30m; water 0.044kton/PMT, total **51kton**
- Scattered layout and spatial uniformity
- Good detection efficiency (> 95%) & good liner reflectivity (> 95%)
- PMT Threshold 5mV~1.7pe

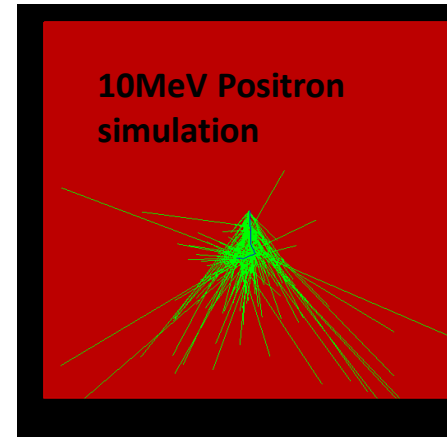
MD simulation



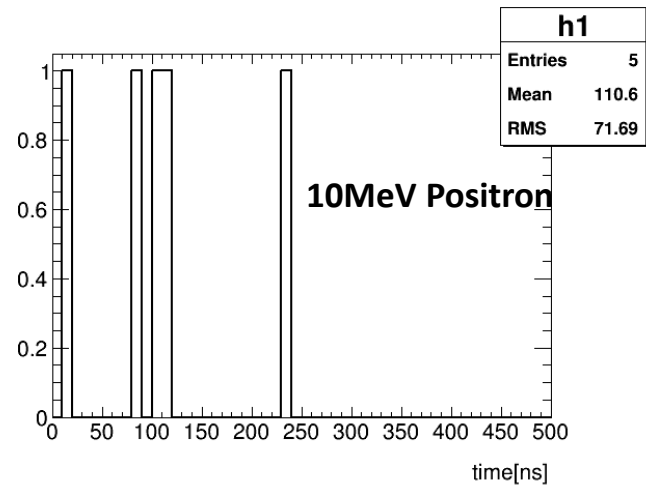
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- Single Positron events

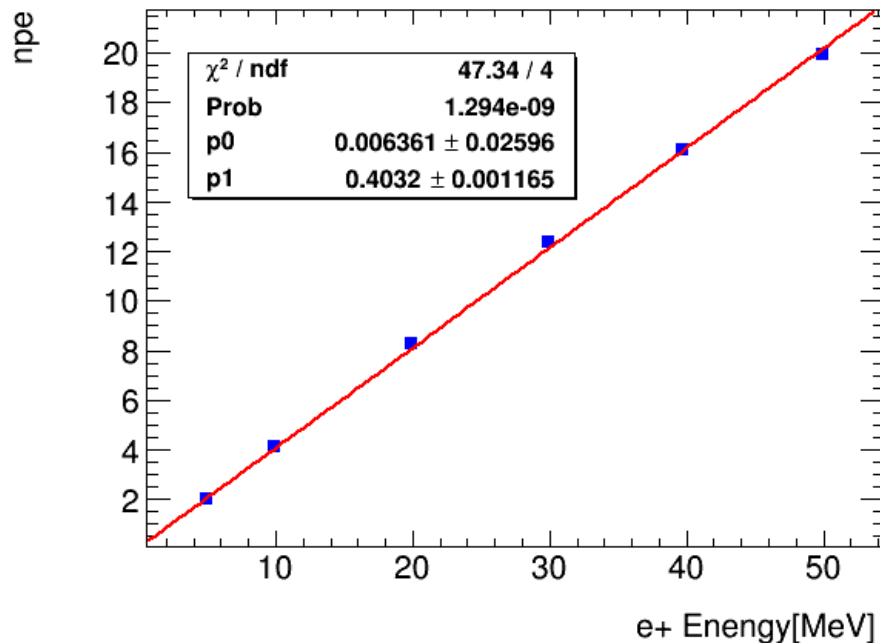


Time of Photoelectrons

0: positron injection time

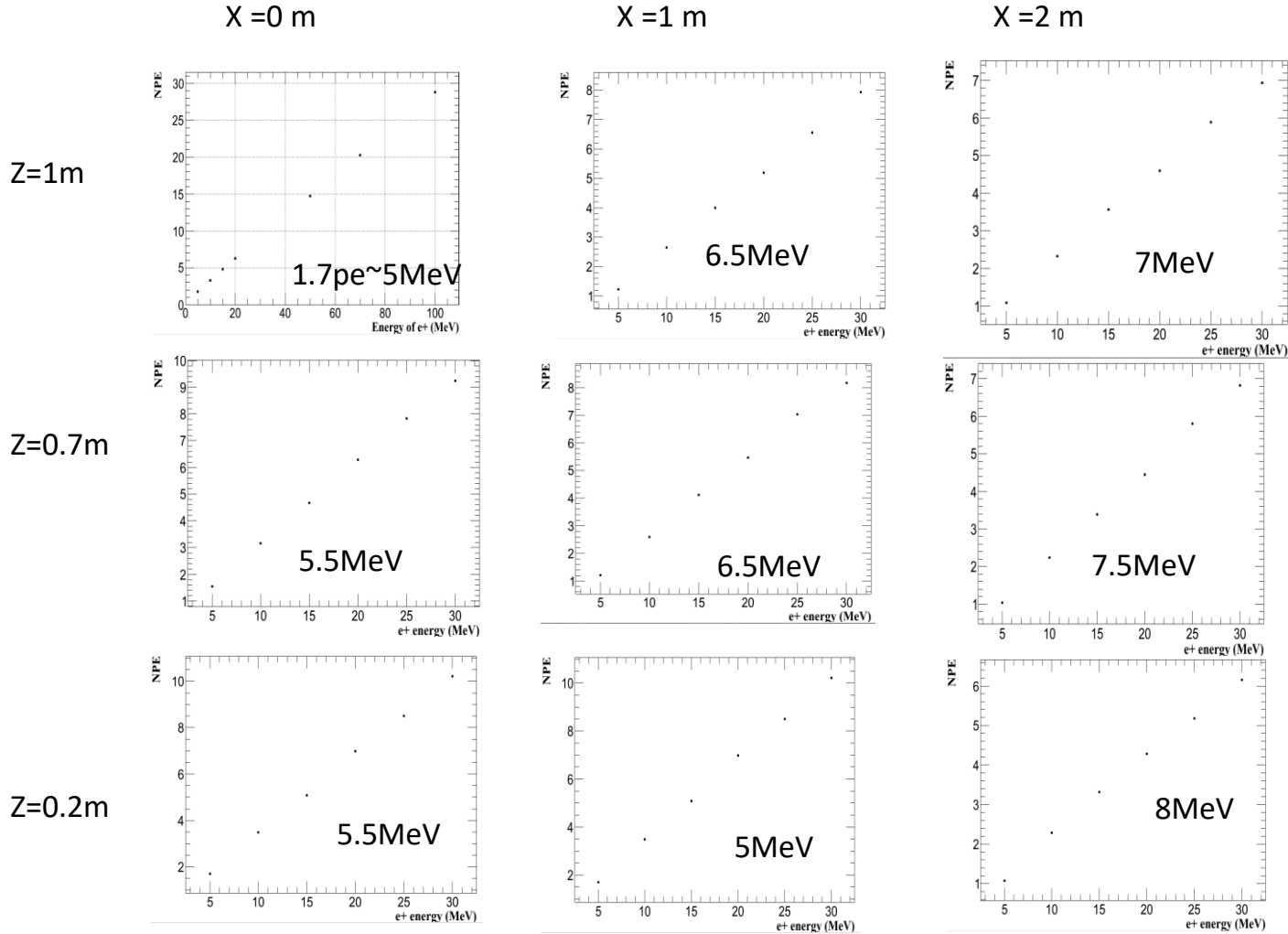
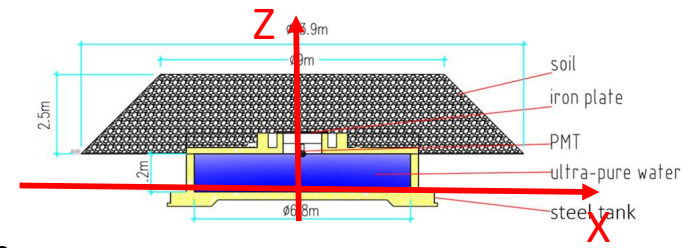
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- Photoelectron Number \sim Positron Energy * 0.4



For each MD, \sim 4-20 Photoelectrons arrive in hundreds ns

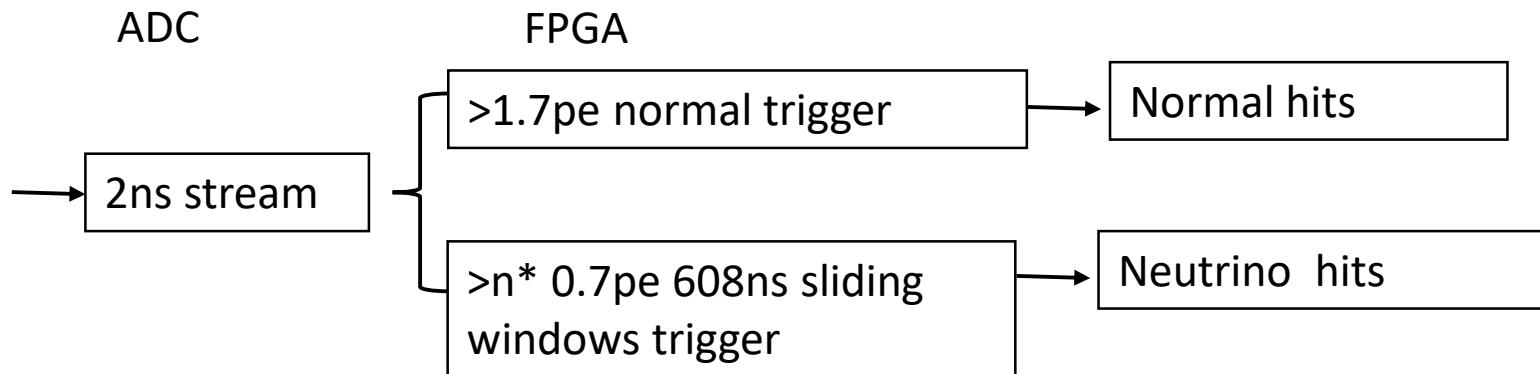
Positron injection position X:Z



MD: 10MeV Positron 3.3pe
 Threshold ~5MeV (1.7pe)

FPGA programming to be done

- For each MD, ~ 4 -20 Photoelectrons arrive in 250 ns
- MD threshold is 1.7 pe
- Single photon will not be triggered by MD DAQ
- Need FPGA Level programming (sliding windows method) to trigger multi-photons in 608ns
- ---Studying by Xi Wang with help from Jinfan Chang



Noise estimation

Full MD record Data (Special trigger mode):

/eos/lhaaso/raw/km2a/2020/0918/ 140 files

- 10 minutes Full record Data
- Record all hits from MD before selection.

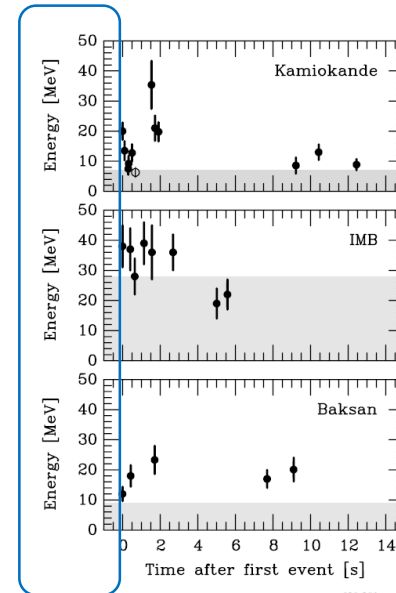
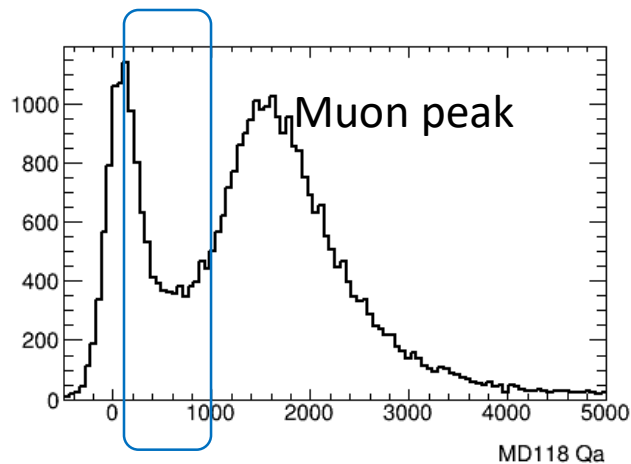


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MD rate $\sim 8\text{K Hz}$

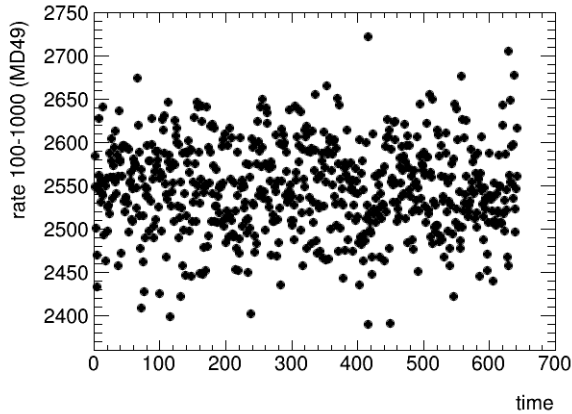
Could remove the Muon by energy cut

energy 10-100MeV

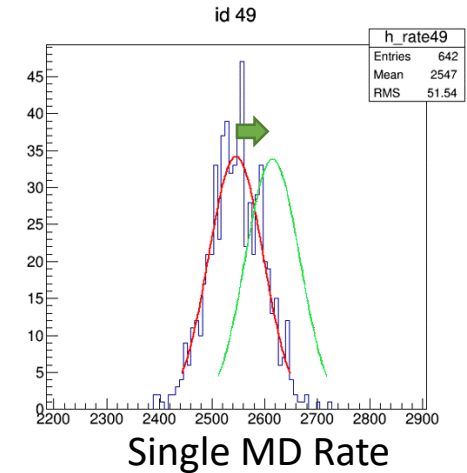
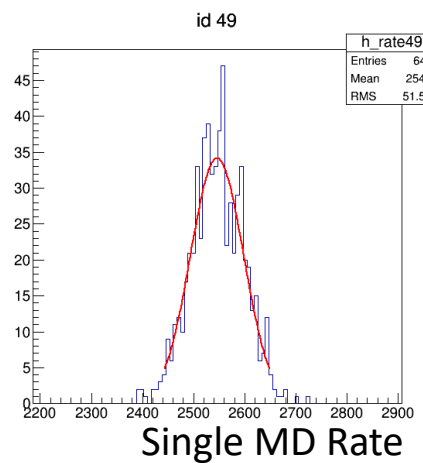
$\sim 100\text{-}1000\text{ADC count}$

MD hits rate (100-1000 ADC count)

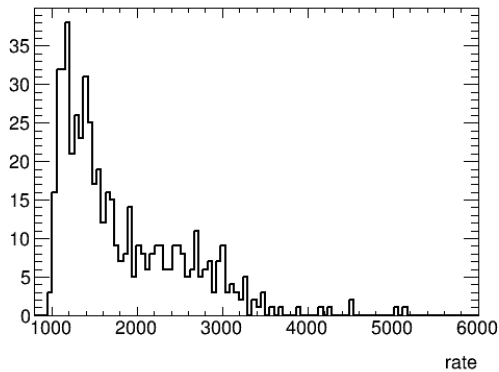
Single MD hits rate vs time



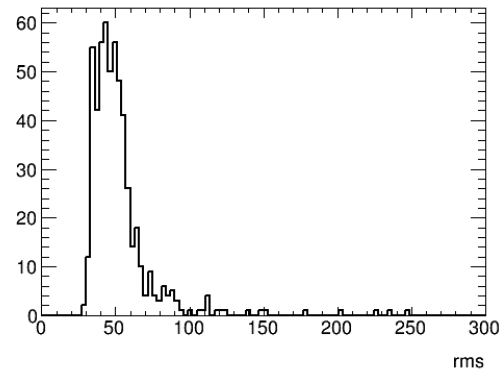
If Supernova arrives, could see a rise in hits rate



mean of 500 MDs hits rate



RMS of 500 MDs hits rate



Real-time analysis method

The most likely *collective rate deviation* μ of all single MD noise rates r_i from their individual $\langle r_i \rangle$'s, is obtained by maximizing the likelihood

$$\mathcal{L}(\Delta\mu) = \prod_{i=1}^{N_{\text{MD}}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \langle \sigma_i \rangle} \exp\left(-\frac{(r_i - (\langle r_i \rangle + \epsilon_i \Delta\mu))^2}{2\langle \sigma_i \rangle^2}\right) .$$

i MD index

r rate

$\langle r \rangle$ rate expectation values

$\langle \sigma_i \rangle$ standard deviation expectation values

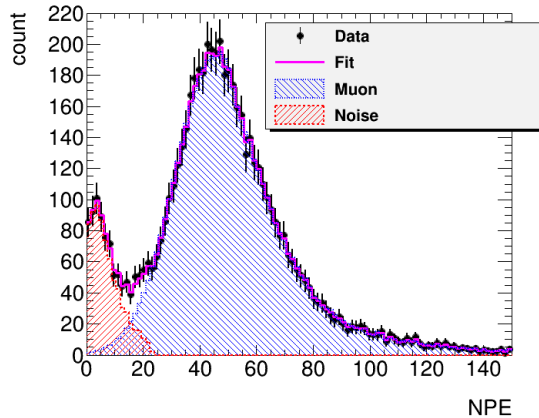
$\epsilon_i \Delta\mu$ correction for each single MD

Significance estimation

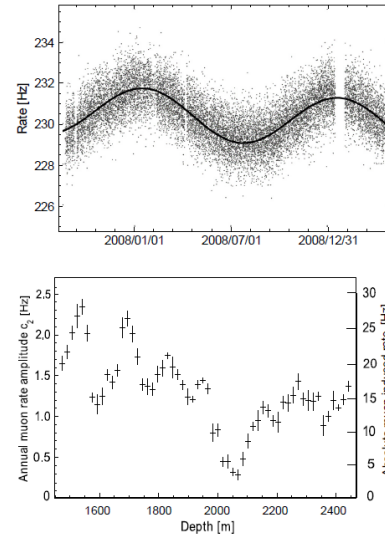
- 10 second IBD events 12750
- First second positron $12750/2=6375$
- Each MD positron $6375/1171=5$
- Average noise rate 2000
- Significance of each single MD: $5/\sqrt{2000}=0.11\sigma$
- 1171 MDs: $\sqrt{1171} * 0.1\sigma=3.5 \sigma$
- Important to lower the noise level

lower the noise level (to do)

1: Fit method to separate Muon and Noise



2: Artificial dead time (IceCube),



The data acquisition was designed to reduce the noise rate by eliminating the excess hits, while keeping the random arrivals. The signal-to-noise ratio of the measurement can be improved by enforcing an artificial dead time τ after every count, configured to $250 \mu\text{s}$ by a field programmable gate array in the DOM. This reduces the noise rate from 540 Hz to 286 Hz at the cost of a 13% dead time for signal. The choice of $250 \mu\text{s}$ optimizes sensitivity to the Lawrence-Livermore model (Totani et al. 1997) distances up to 75 kpc, when neglecting the effect of after-pulses following the signal. A dead time $\tau > 110 \mu\text{s}$ guarantees

Fig. 7. Top: rate of a typical DOM as function of time covering 556 days of lifetime as measured in 0.5 s bins (baseline suppressed). The line corresponds to a rate fit according to Eq. (12). Bottom: parameter c_2 and estimated muon induced rate as function of depth. The variation with depth is mostly due to the optical properties of the ice and muons ranging out.

3: FPGA level study for Supernova Neutrino Detection is on going by Xi Wang and others.

4: Use 2 seconds' hits rate

Summary

- Hope to detect Supernova neutrino by LHAASO-MD
- Need FPGA Level programming (sliding windows method) to trigger
- Important to lower the noise level
- Hope we could be member experiments of SNEWS in the future

Thank you!