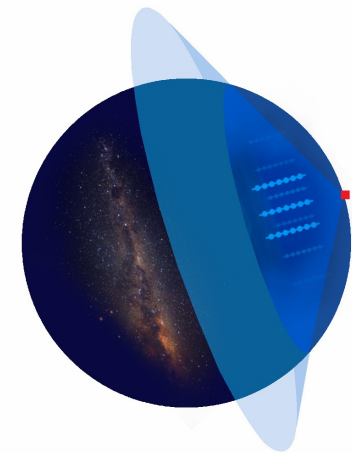




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# The Status of NEON

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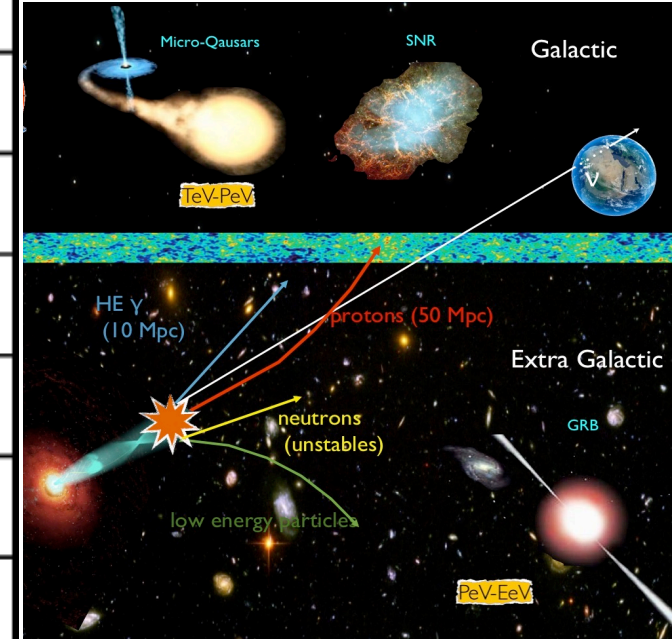
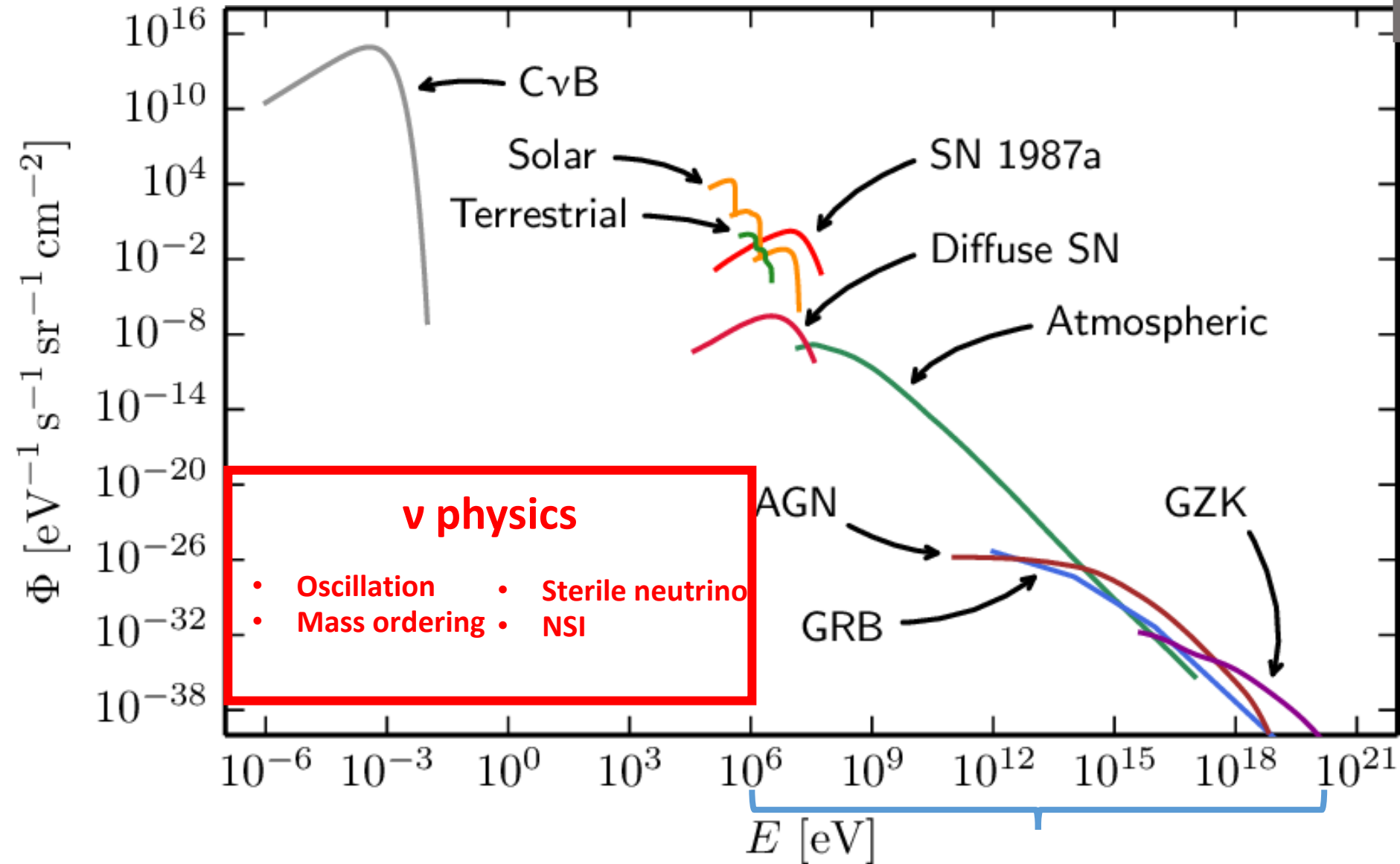
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# Astrophysics

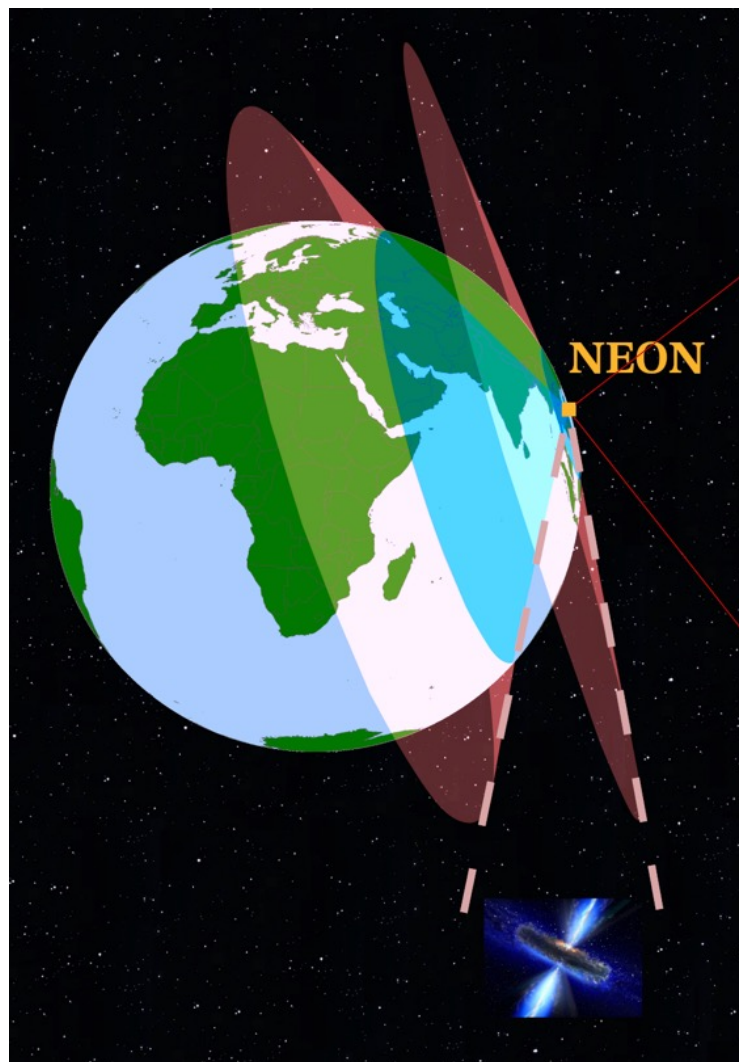
Multi-messenger Astronomy:  
Origin of CRs, astrophysical  
environments...

# Scientific motivation and goal

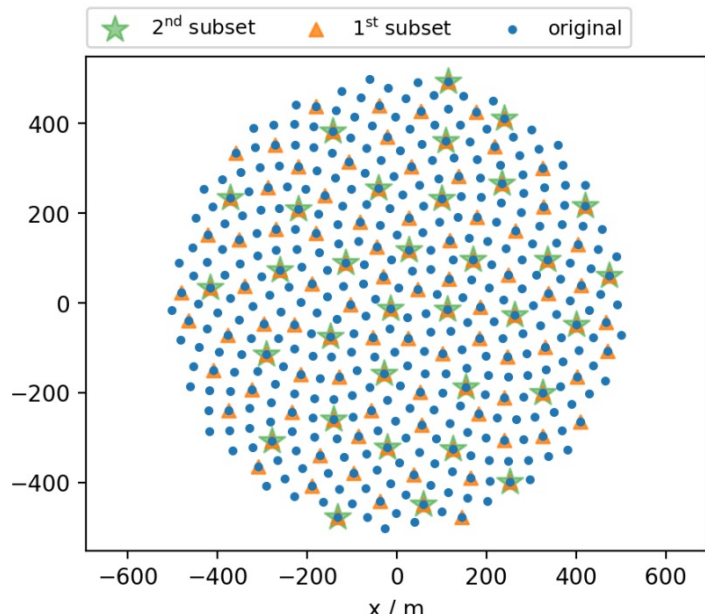




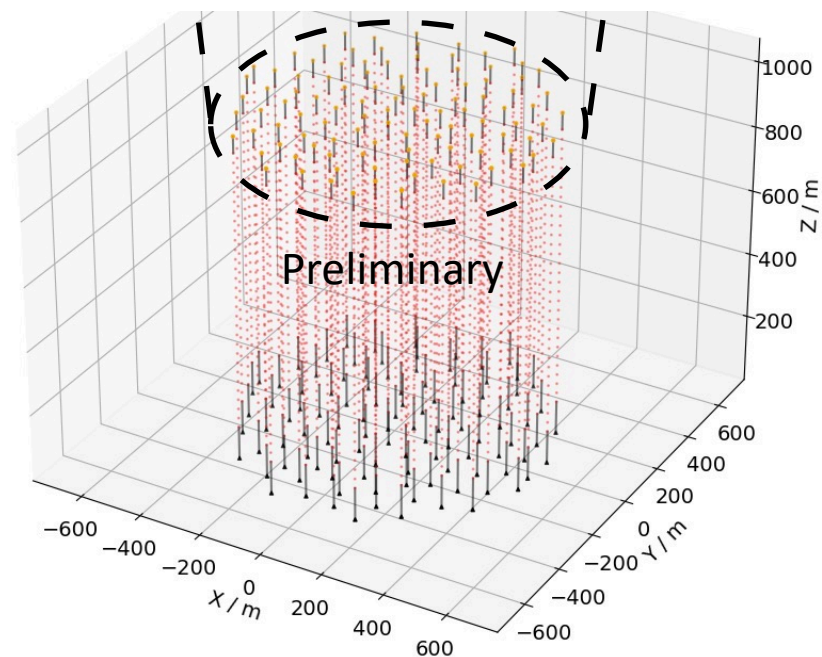
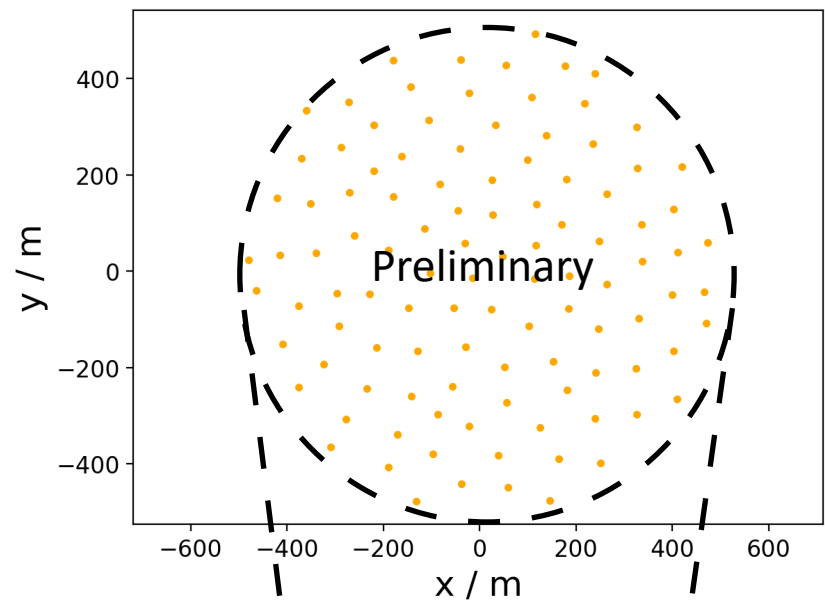
# Neutrino Observatory in the Nanhai (NEON)



# Array Design



Fibonacci layout

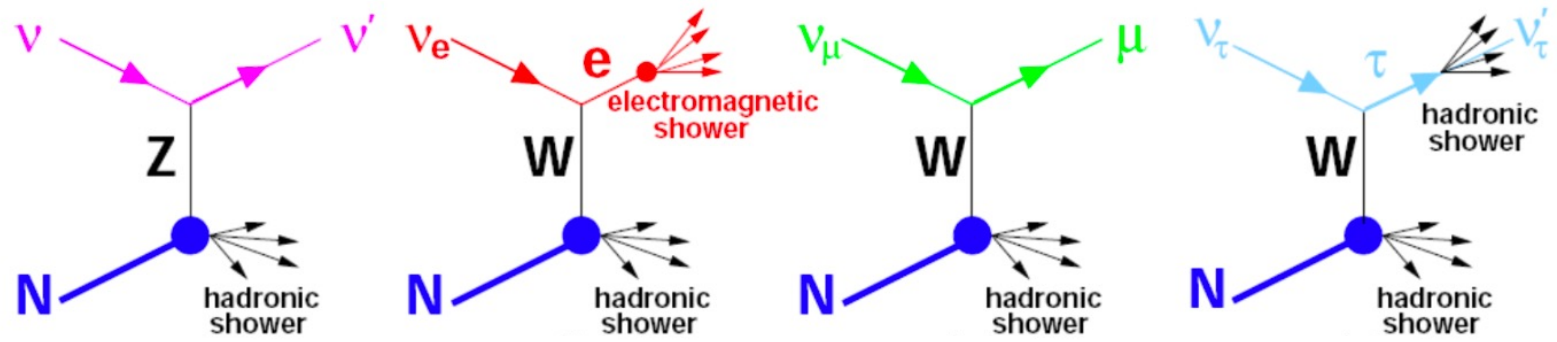


type	$d_{\text{vertical}}$	$d_{\text{horizontal}}$	$R$	$\Psi_{50}$
STD	30 m	100 m	250 m	0.4
$L_{\text{ver}}^{\text{den}}$	10 m	100 m	250 m	0.3
$L_{\text{ver}}^{\text{spa}}$	50 m	100 m	250 m	0.4
$L_{\text{hor}}^{\text{den}}$	30 m	50 m	250 m	0.2
$L_{\text{hor}}^{\text{spa}}$	30 m	200 m	250 m	1.2
$L^{\text{large}}$	30 m	100 m	500 m	0.2
$L^{\text{small}}$	30 m	100 m	125 m	0.8

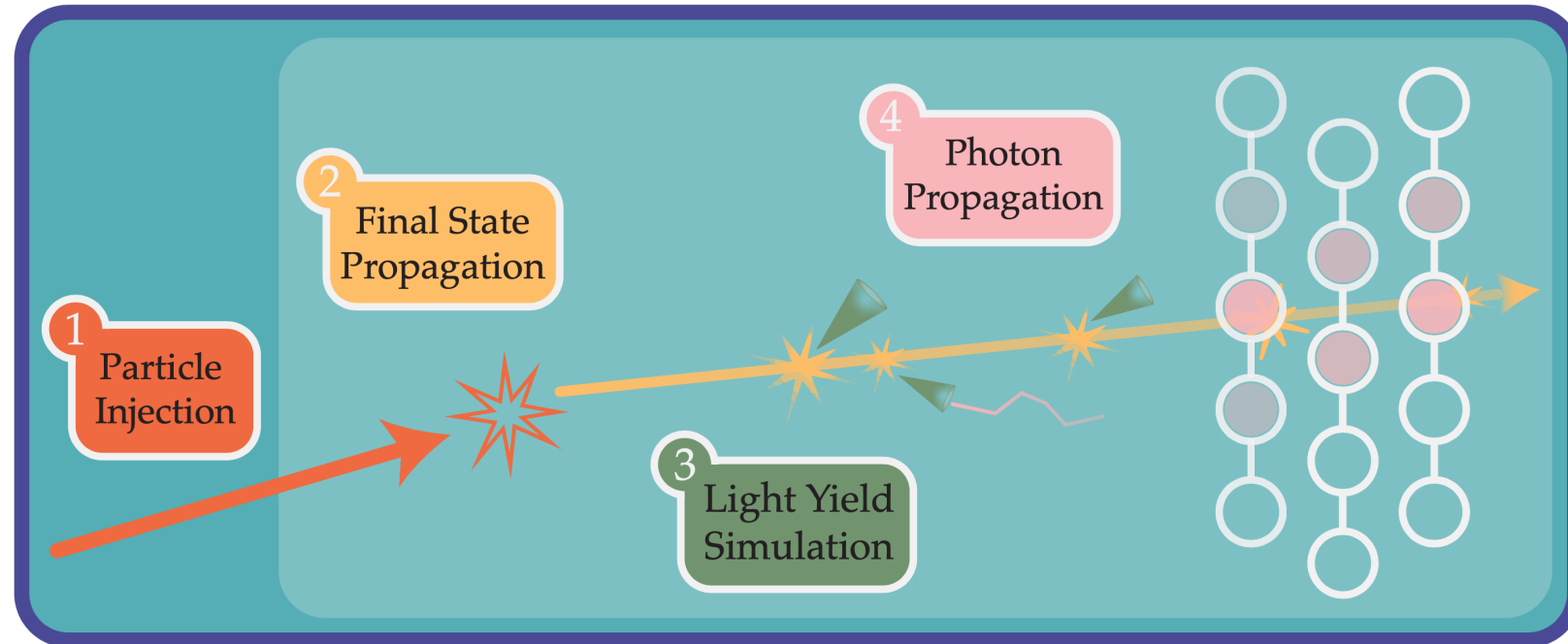
The behavior of some subsets.

# The simulation chain

- Neutrino interacts with water
- Secondaries propagating in water
- Photons are emitted secondary particles
- Propagation of photons, considering scattering and absorption



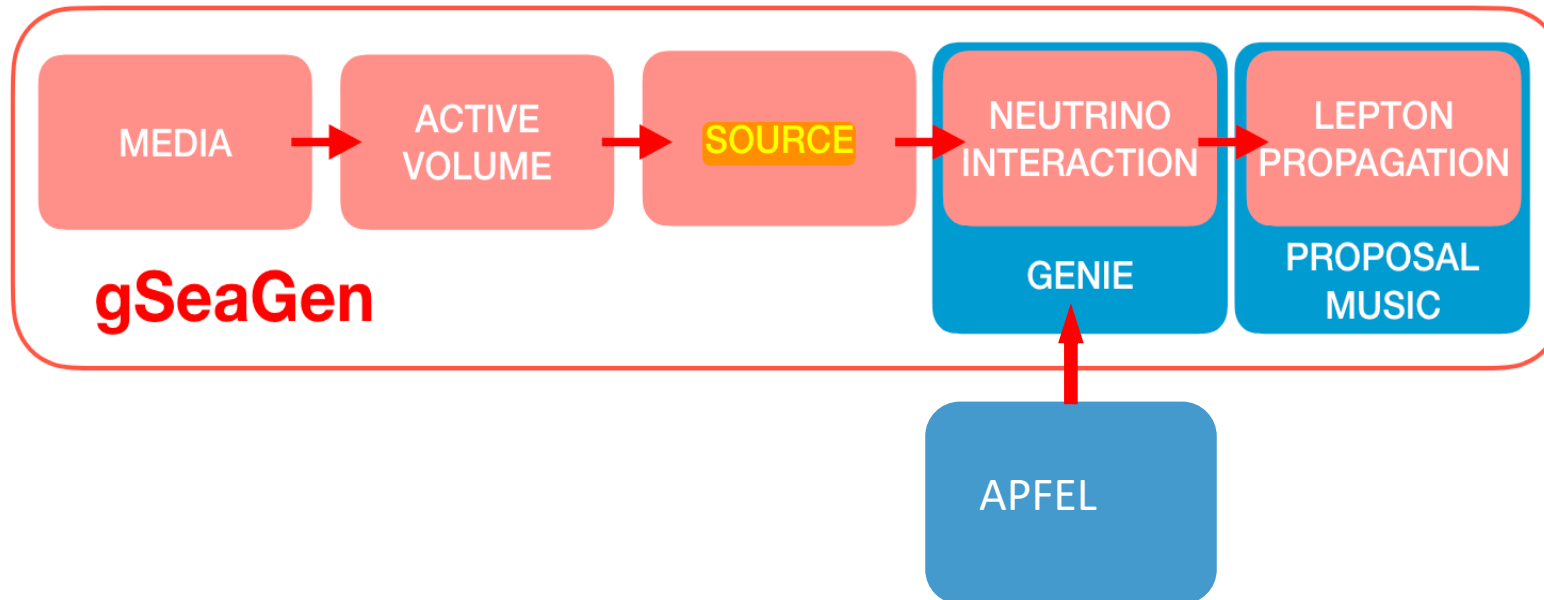
**Neutrino interactions:**  
 $NC, \nu_e CC, \nu_\mu CC, \nu_\tau CC$



## Event generator:

- gSeaGen (Base on GENIE)
- High Energy Extension:  
APFEL

Energy range: 100keV - 100PeV  
Neutrino type: All type



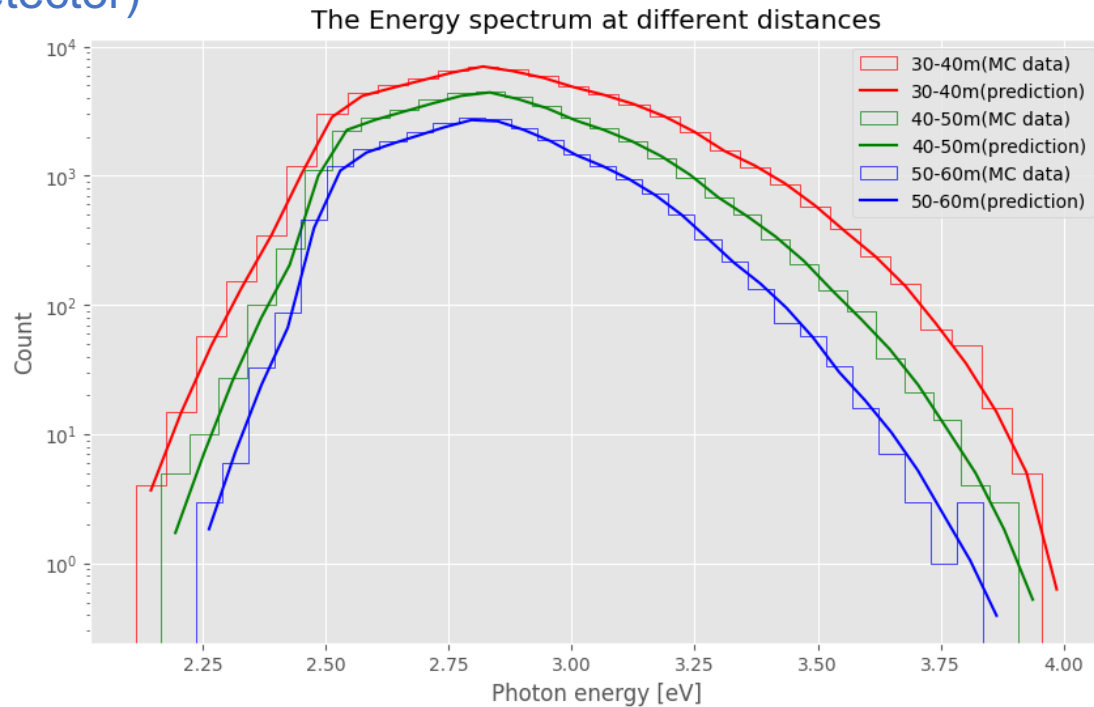
# The $^{40}\text{K}$ background study

$$N_{\text{photon}}^{\text{obs}}(r) = A \times \sum_{\lambda} (Q_{\lambda} \times \eta_{\lambda} \times e^{-\frac{r}{L'_{\lambda}}})$$

Simulation parameters

Obtained with simulation in Geant4 ( $^{40}\text{K}$  decay near to detector)

- (1) Reasonable and Effective
- (2) Easily apply to other isotopes and detectors.



Max opacity: 28m

The number of hited PMT in 10 ns	Event Count [%]
1	97.16
2	2.79
3	$4.78 \times 10^{-2}$
4	$4.93 \times 10^{-4}$



# Reconstruction

$$|\Delta t| - \frac{\Delta r}{v} < 20\text{ns}, \quad \left| |\Delta t| - \frac{\Delta r}{c} \right| < 500\text{ns}$$

- **K40 decay (major noise).**
- Light emitted by organic matter when it is disturbed, or by deep-sea fish as a biological response.
- PMT dark current.

## 1. Linear fit (fastest)

$$\vec{d} = \sum_{i,j (t_j > t_i)} w_{ij} (\vec{P}_j - \vec{P}_i), \text{ where } w_{i,j} = q_j + q_i \text{ and } q \text{ is}$$

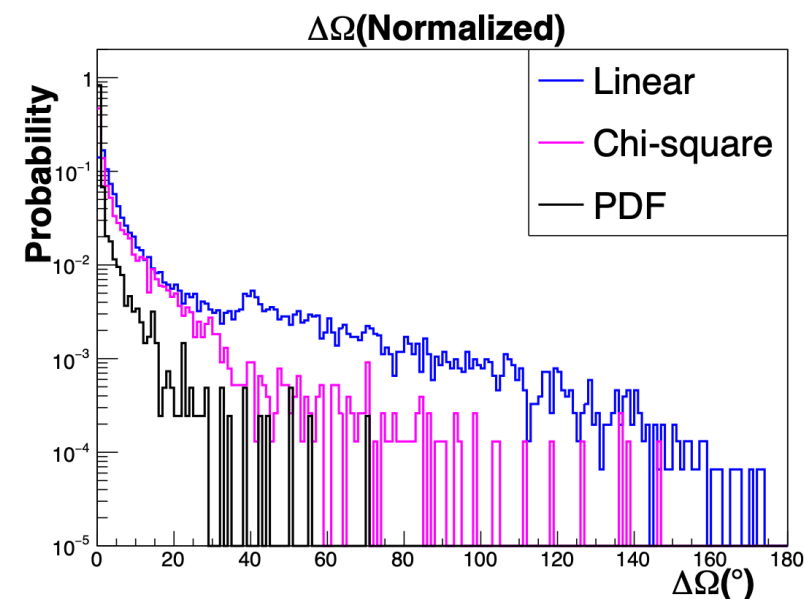
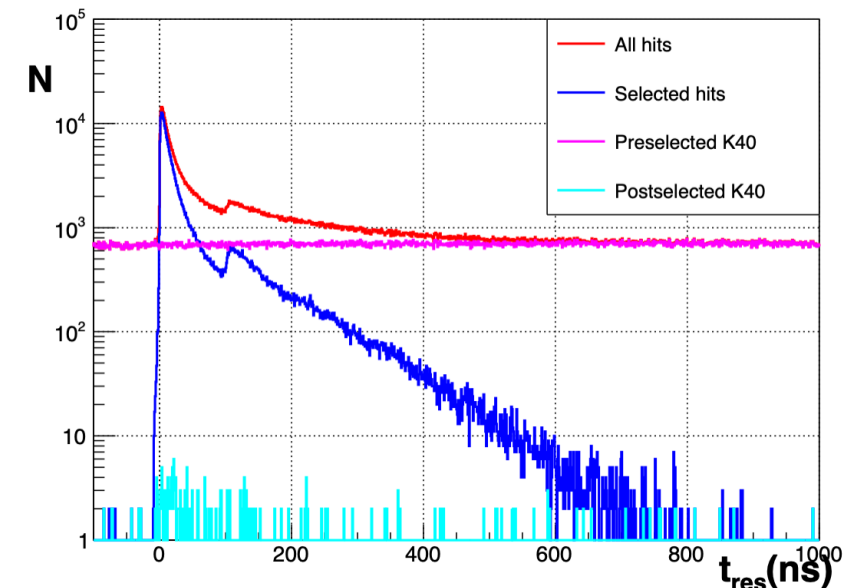
photon electron

## 2. Chi-square fit

$$\chi^2 = \sum_i (t_{\text{res}}^i)^2$$

## 3. PDF fit (the most accurate)

$$L(t_{\text{res}}^1, t_{\text{res}}^2, \dots, t_{\text{res}}^n | \vec{P}, \vec{d}) = \sum_i f(t_{\text{res}}^i | \vec{P}, \vec{d})$$



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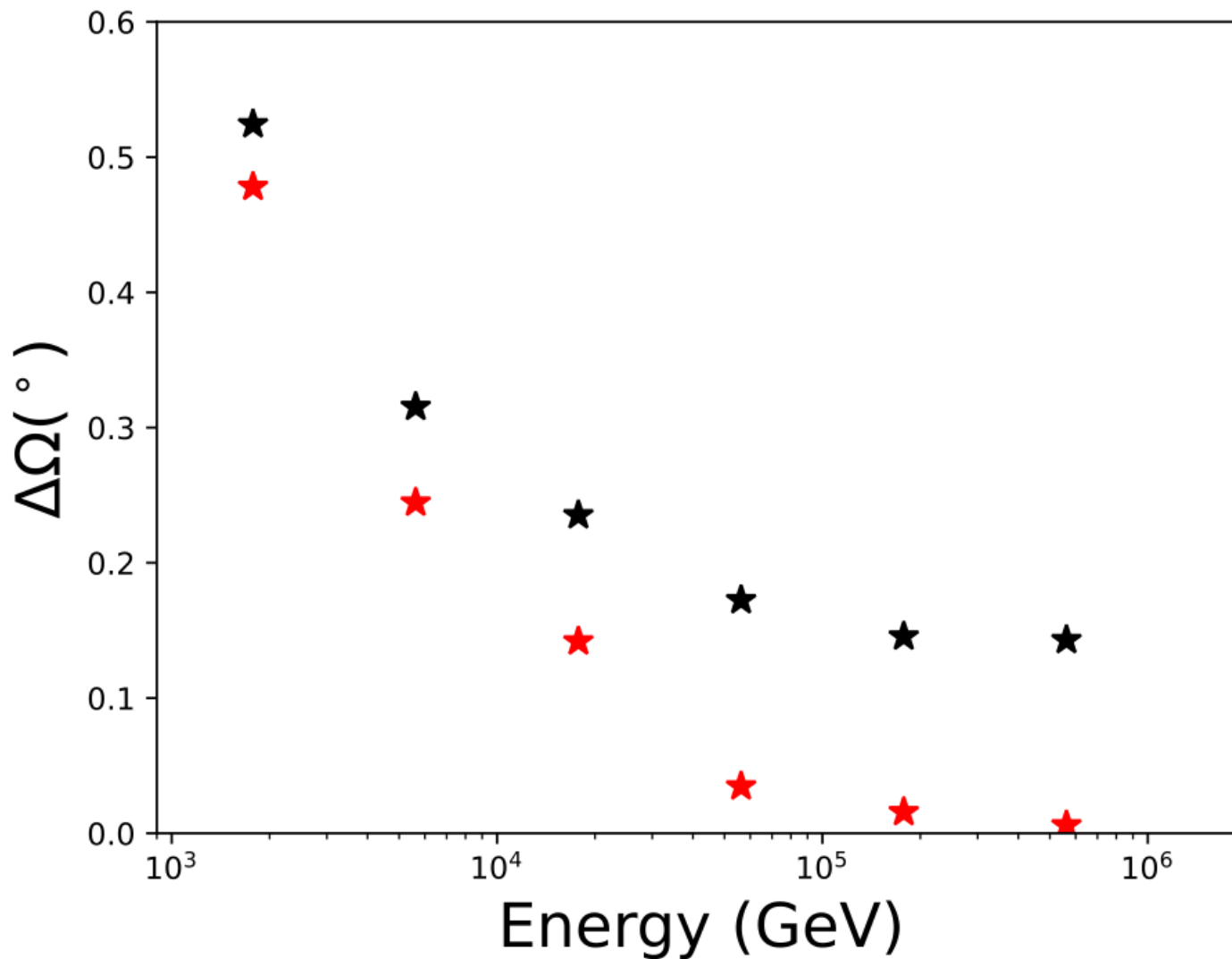
$$\vec{d} = \sum_{i,j(t_j > t)} \text{photon el}$$

2. Chi-square

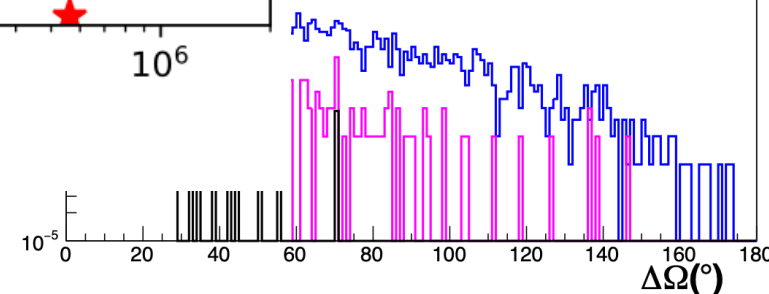
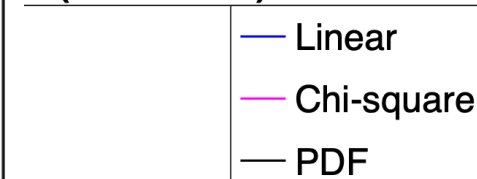
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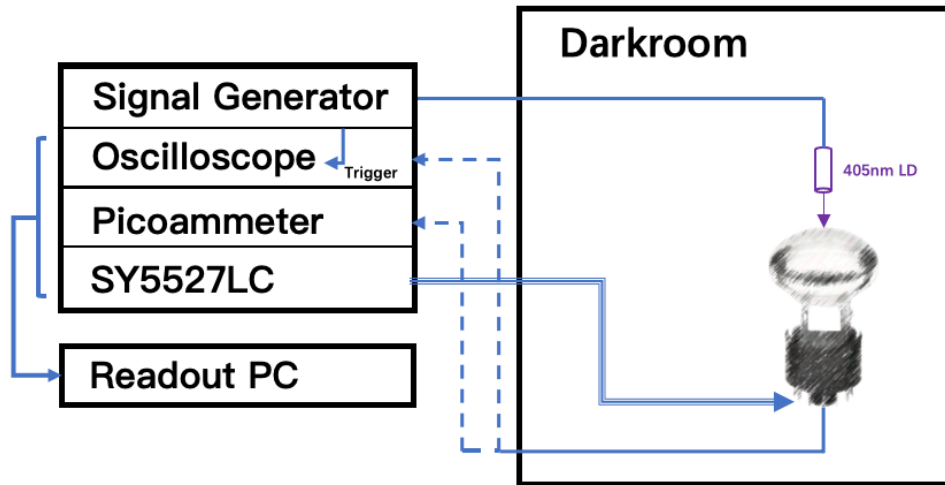
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$\Delta\Omega$  (Normalized)



# Detector design and assemble



- Higher QE, SNR and PMT production consistency are important for NEON.
- Two types of PMTs are acceptable

## Dark performance

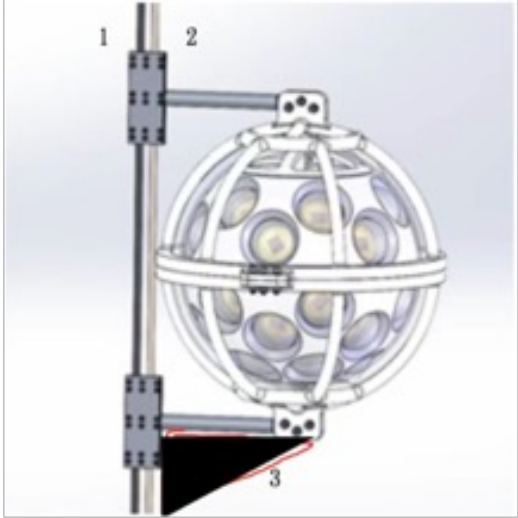
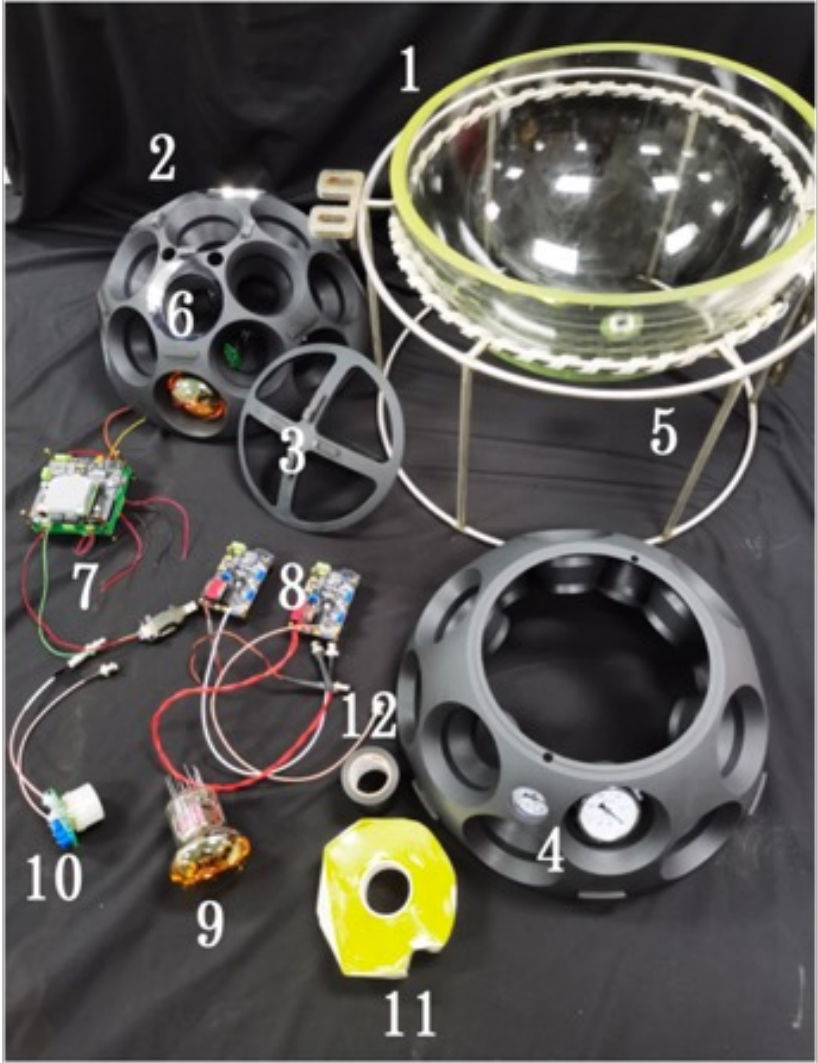
Serial number	QE(%)	Voltage(V)	Gain	P/V	Dark current (nA)	DCR(Hz)
PN2304-1128	29.7	985	5.50E+06	2.62	0.56	459
PN2304-1135	29.9	1058	5.35E+06	2.15	1.32	1993
PN2303-5507	28.5	1005	5.34E+06	2.05	1.35	526
PN2304-1365	27.8	990	4.85E+06	2.26	0.35	360
KM57217	29.0	1000	5.01E+06	2.14	0.60	437
KM61655	29.8	1025	5.05E+06	2.98	0.87	633
KM57154	27.1	1000	4.88E+06	2.25	1.23	1178
KM57446	28.2	1010	5.13E+06	3.05	1.56	912

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# OM Design and Assemble





# Future Plan

- As one of the most important member in multi-messenger astronomy, neutrinos telescopes should be constructed with better resolution and sensitivity.
- As we had the first attempt last week, future improvement is planned and ongoing.
- GNN technique will be applied to shower/track identification and reconstruction.
- Upgrade the FPGA and lower the power consumption.
- The build and construction of deep-sea neutrino telescope is challenging, but super attractive.

Thank you!