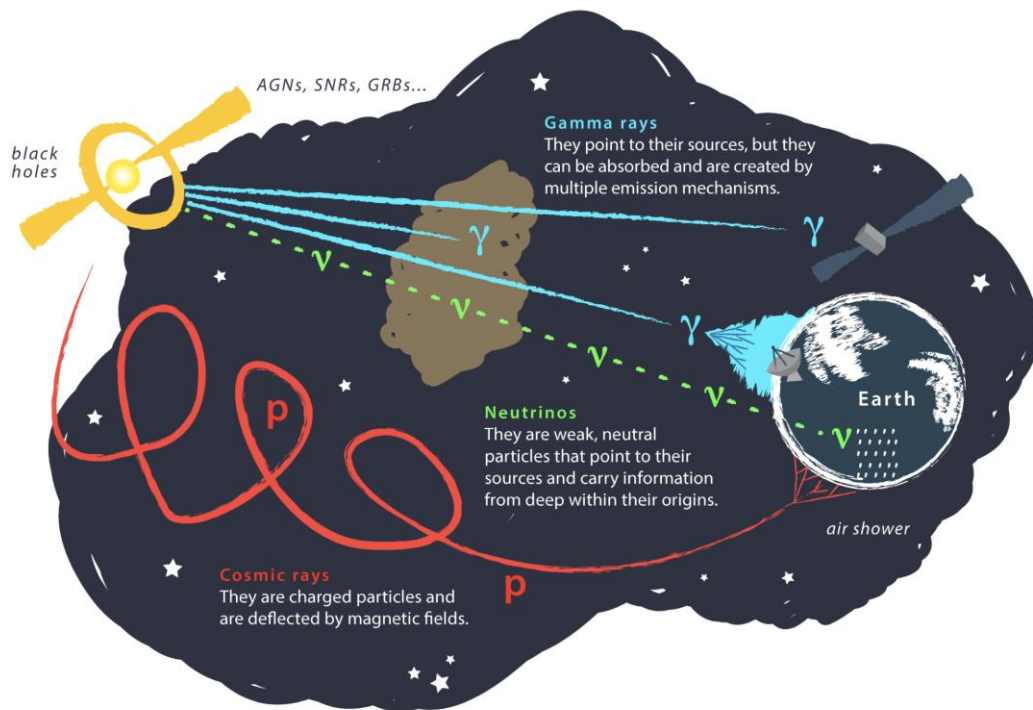


Neutrino Reconstruction in TRIDENT Based on Graph Neural Network

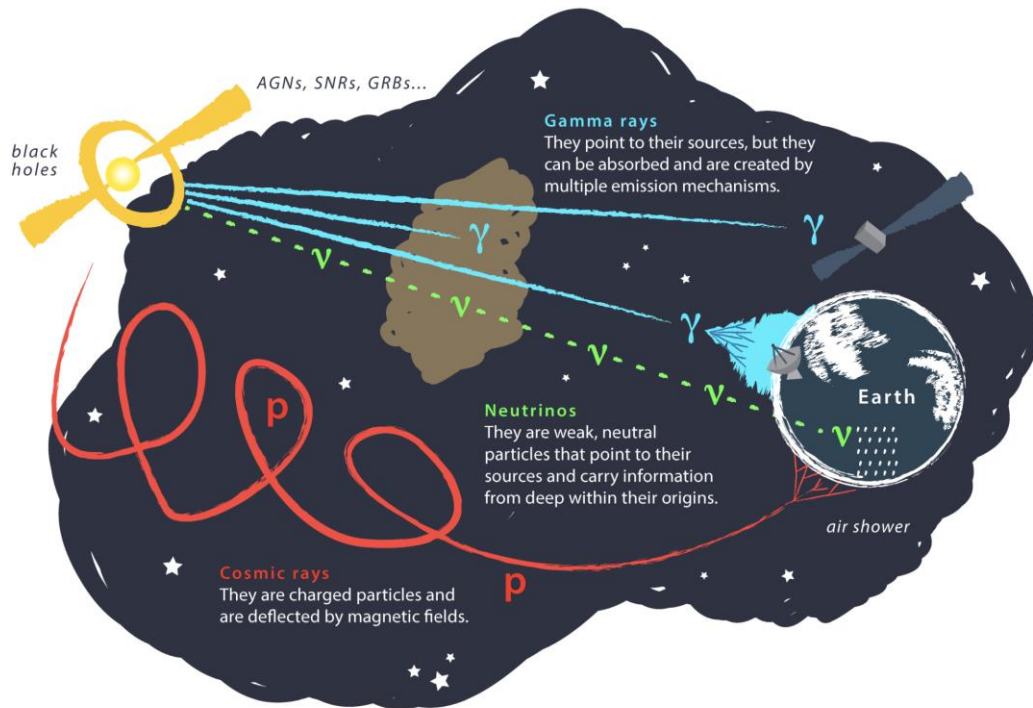
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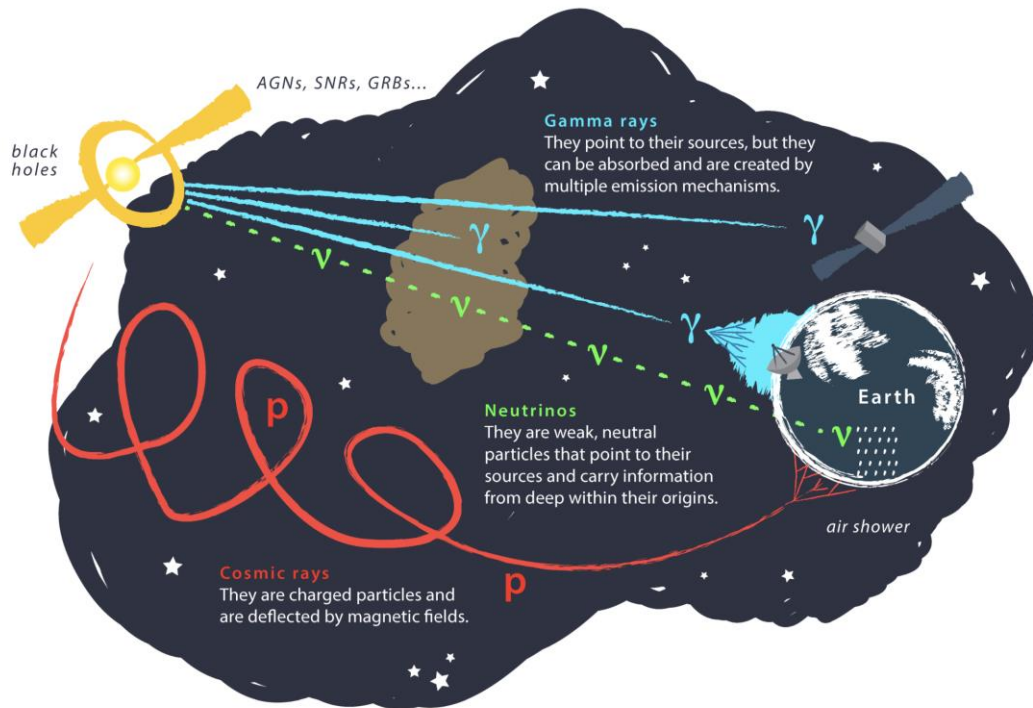
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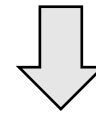
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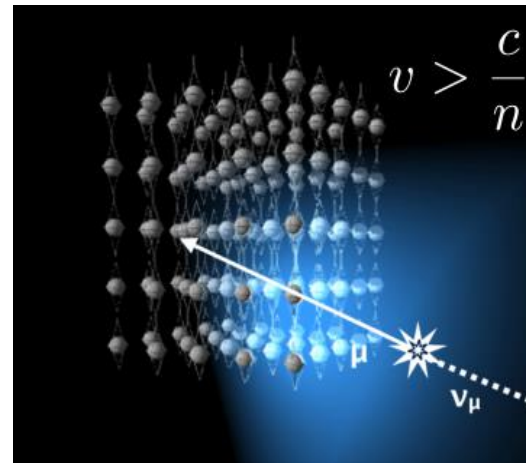
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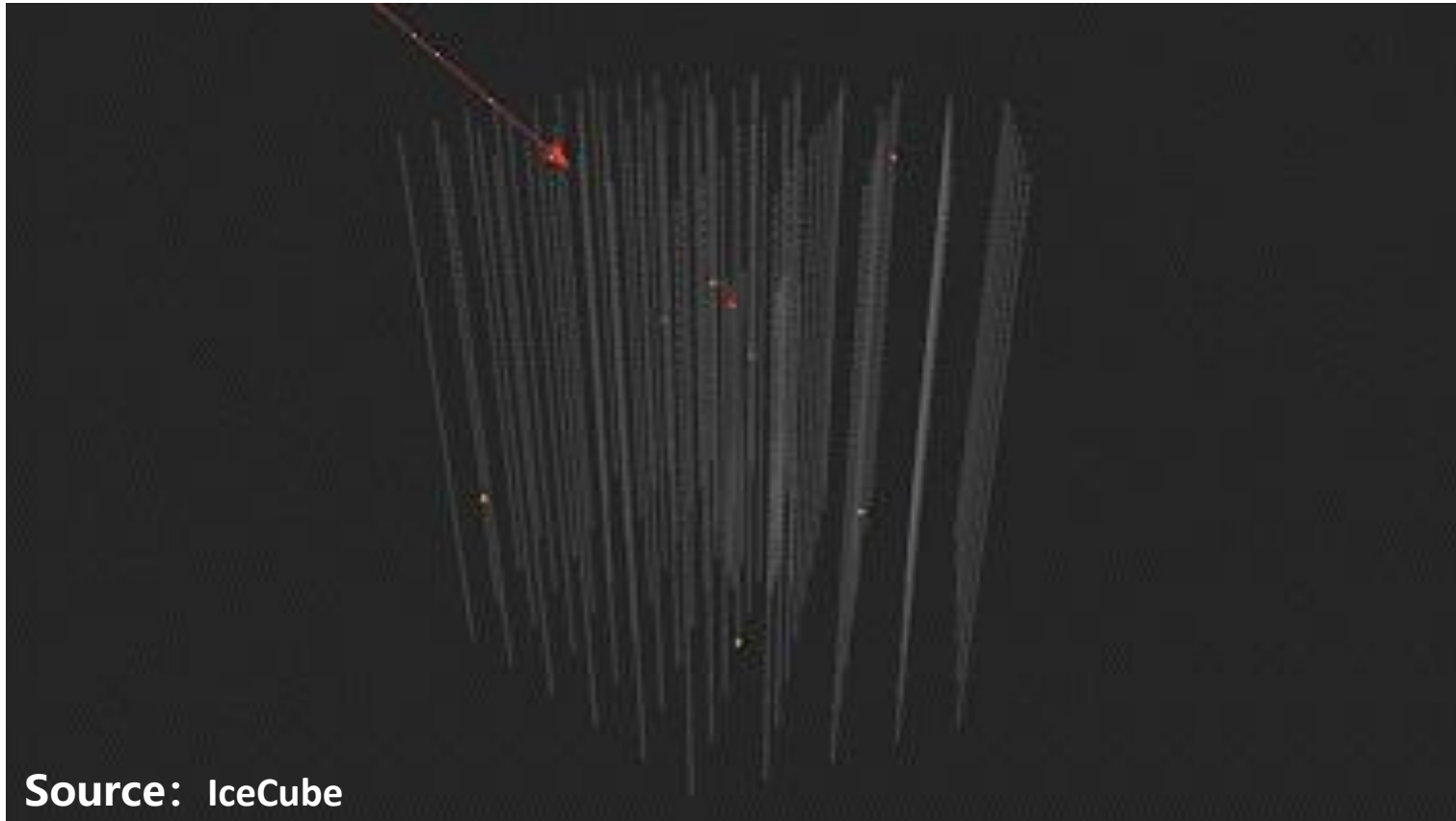
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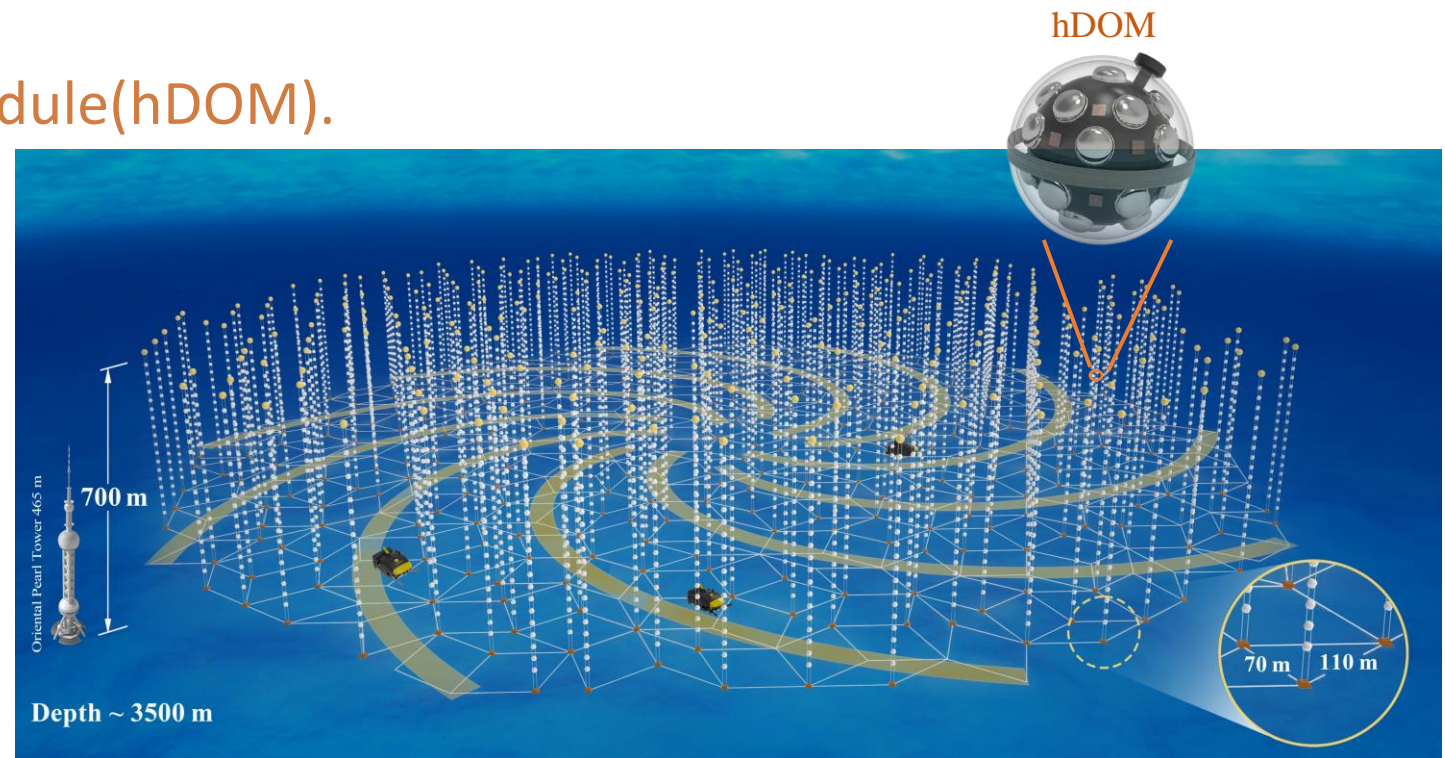
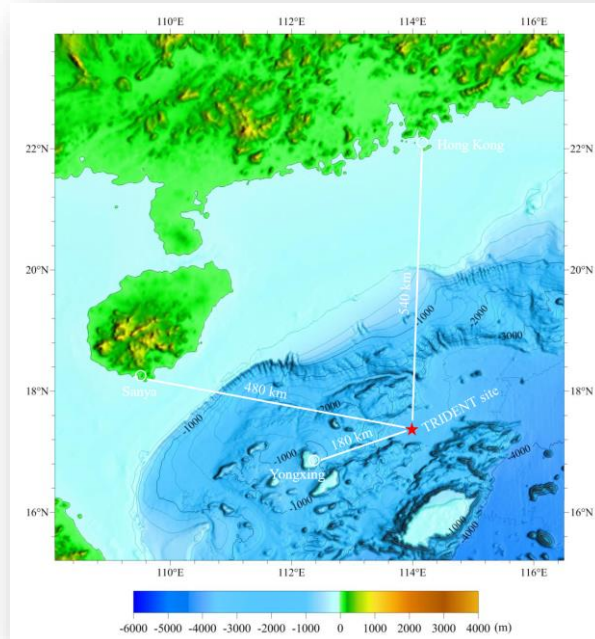
- **TRIDENT: TR**ropical **DE**ep-sea **N**eutrino **T**elescope.

A multi-cubic-kilometre neutrino telescope in the western Pacific Ocean. [Nat Astron \(2023\)](#).

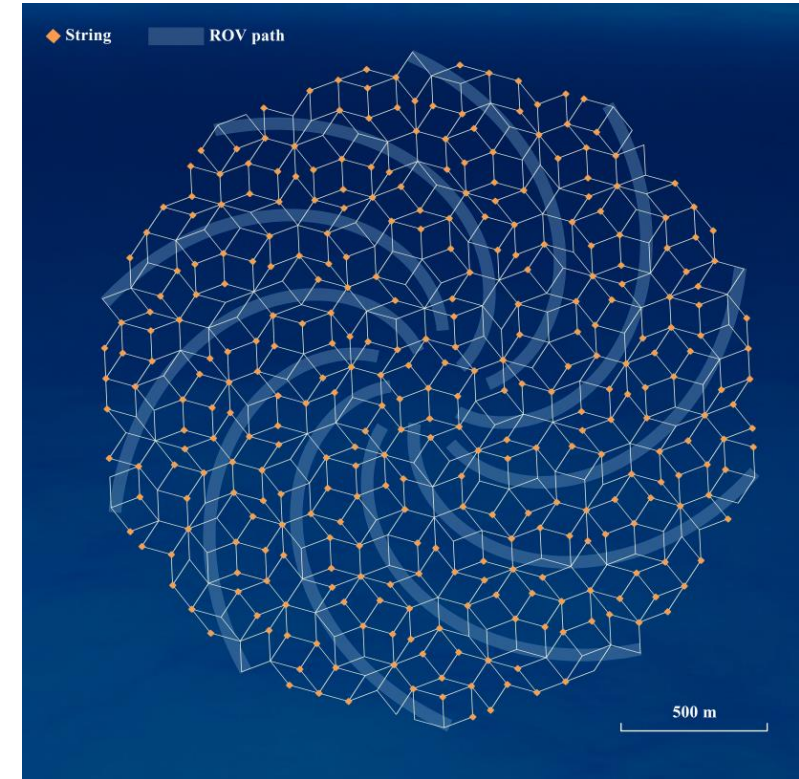
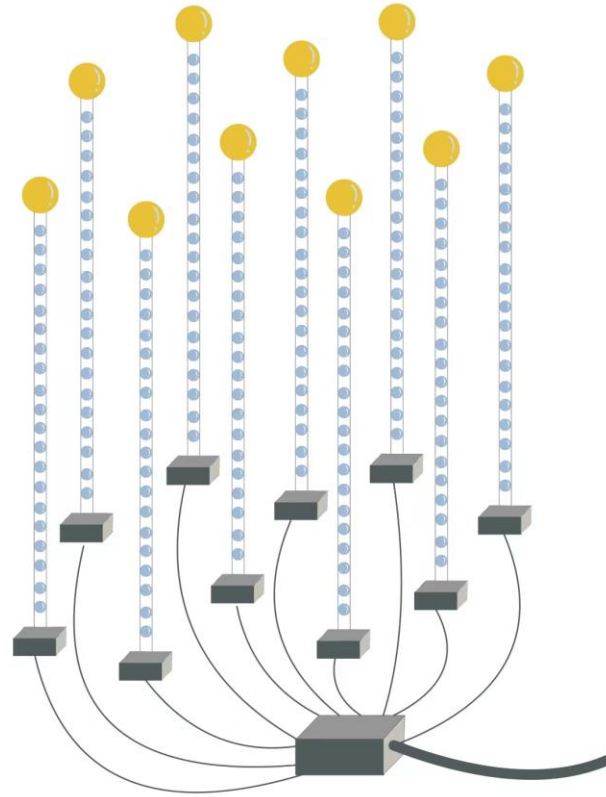
- To be located in the **South China Sea**.

- **Penrose tiling** structure with 2000m radius, 700m height (**8.7 km³**). **3500m deep** under sea level.

- 24220 **hybrid Digital Optical Module(hDOM)**.



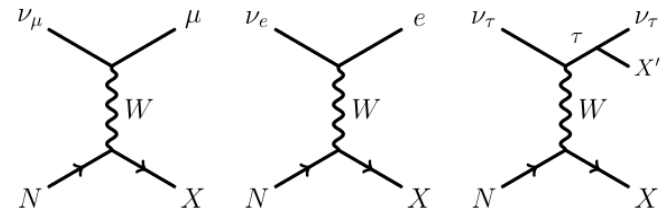
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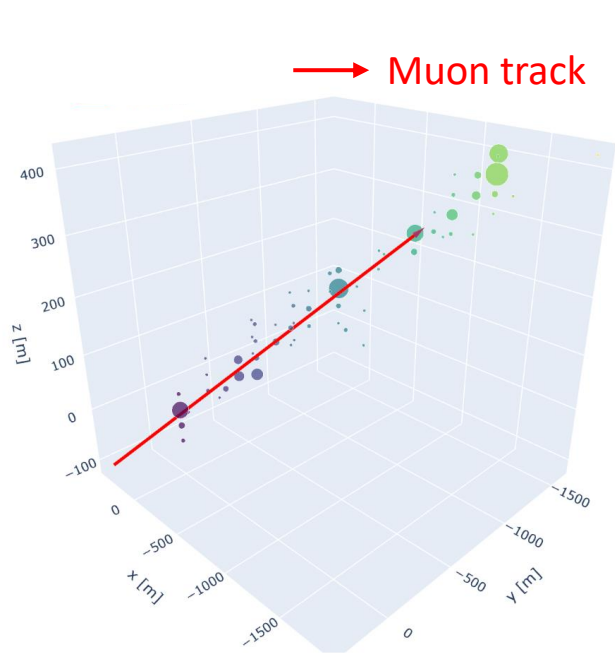
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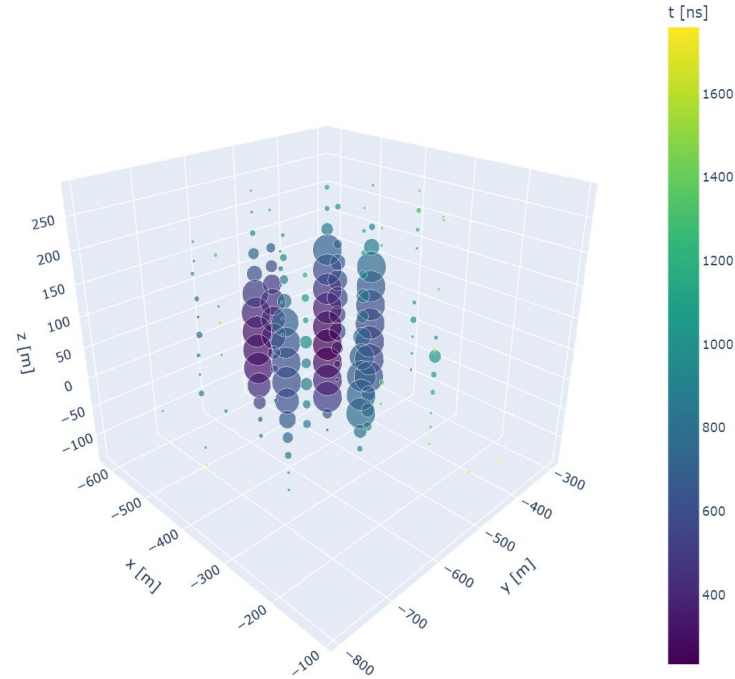


- The size of dots indicates the number of received photons.



Track

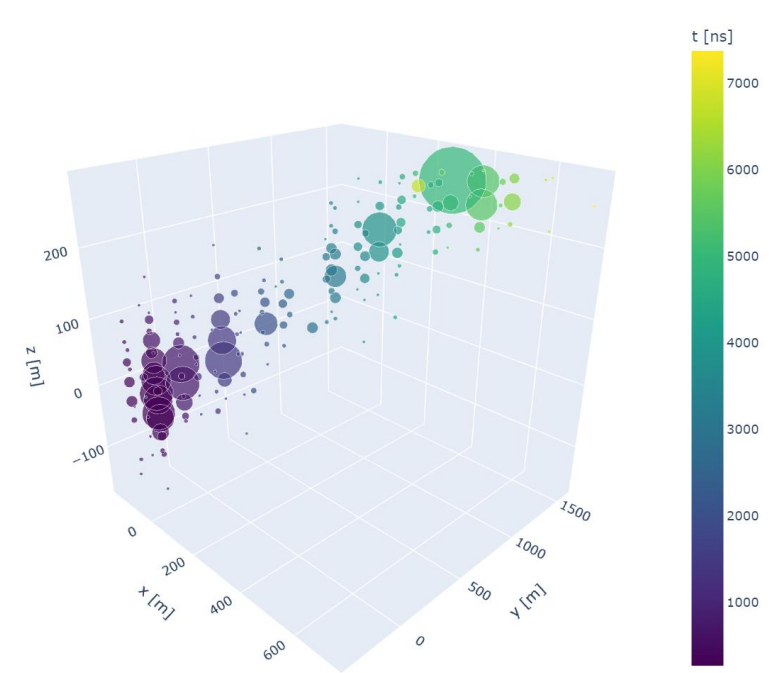
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Cascade

$$\nu_e + N \rightarrow e + X$$

$$\text{or } \nu + N \rightarrow \nu + X$$



Double bang

$$\nu_{\tau} + N \rightarrow \tau + X$$

$$\& \tau \rightarrow \nu_{\tau} + X'$$

Neutrino event generator

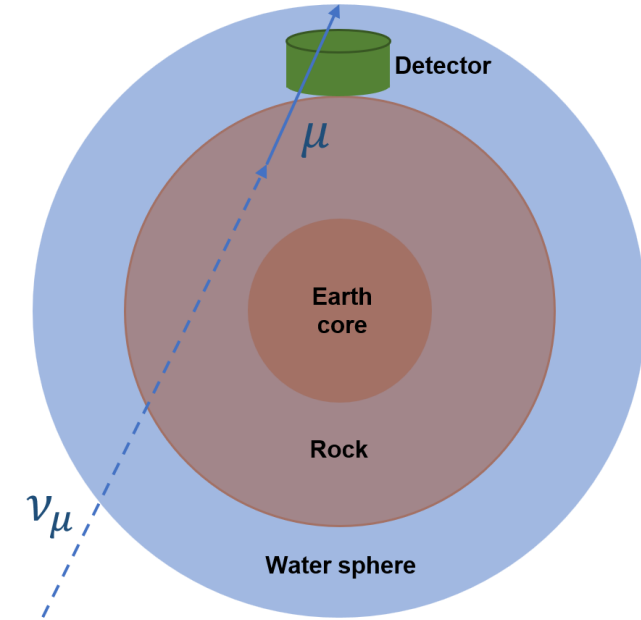
Based on **CORSIKA8** ([arxiv:2208.14240](https://arxiv.org/abs/2208.14240)):

- A preliminary earth model is built.
- Scattering of ν and p is simulated with PYTHIA8.
- Propagation of μ is simulated with PROPOSAL.

Detector simulation

Based on **Geant4**:

- Simulate the propagation of secondary particles.
- Accelerate Cherenkov photons simulation with **OptiX**.



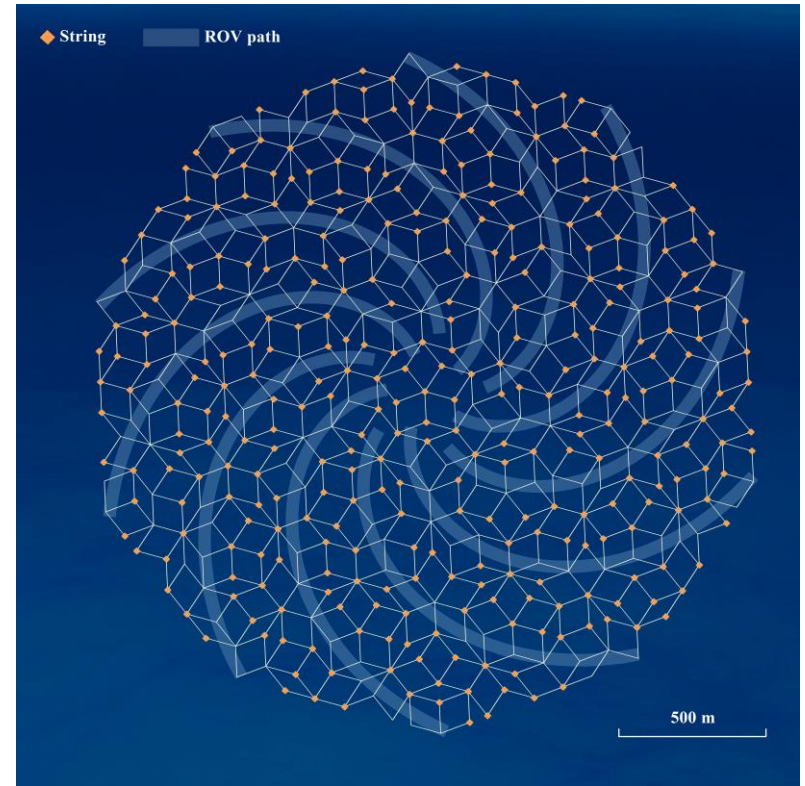
Preliminary earth model

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- Irregular detector geometry
- Sparse signal

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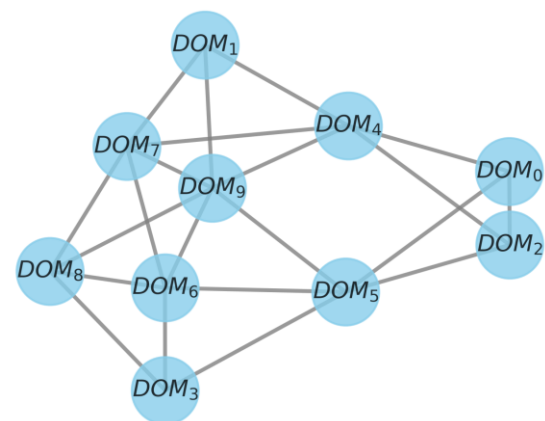
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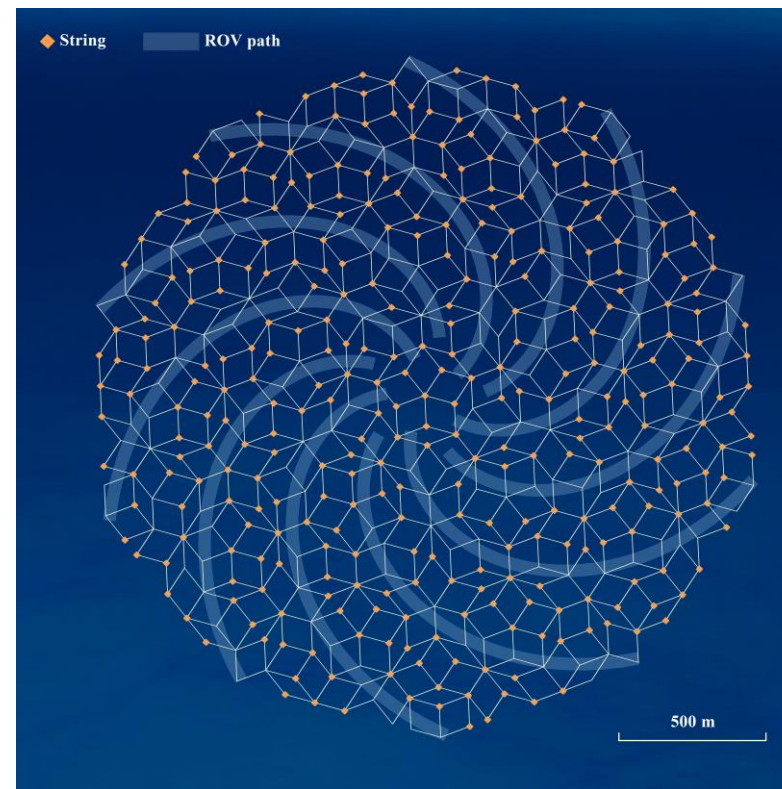
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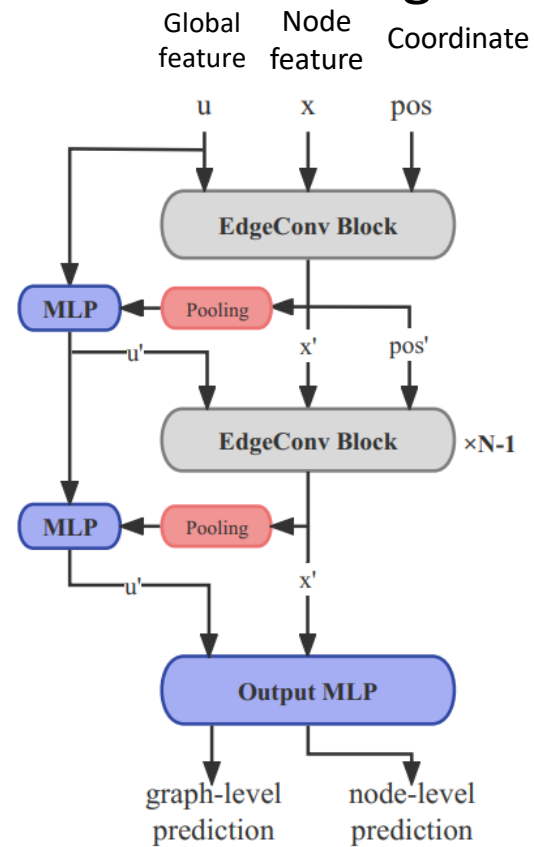
Use **point cloud** to represent neutrino events:

- Triggered DOMs → **Nodes** of point cloud
- Location of DOMs → Coordinate of nodes, pos_i .
- DOM-measured time → Features of nodes, x_i .

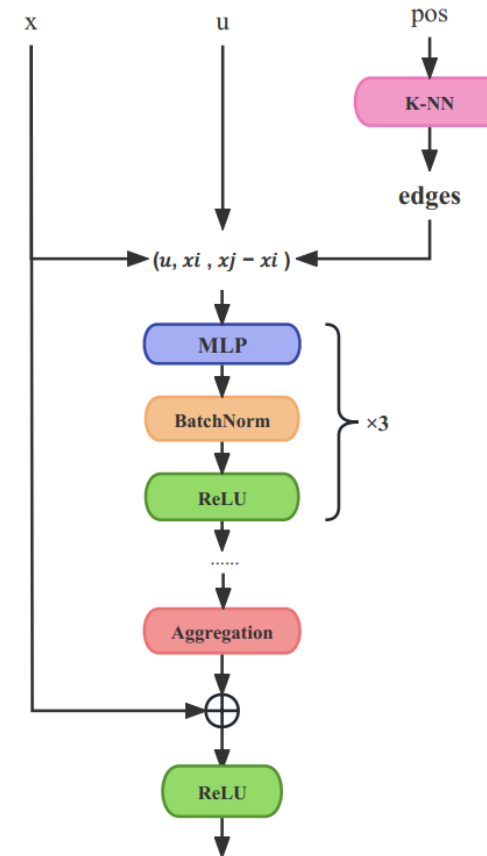


Top view of TRIDENT

- GNN is built based on **EdgeConv** block: modified from **EdgeConv** block used in ParticleNet ([arxiv:1902.08570](https://arxiv.org/abs/1902.08570)).
- Both **graph-level** and **node-level** target can be predicted.



Network Structure



EdgeConv Block



Cascade Reconstruction

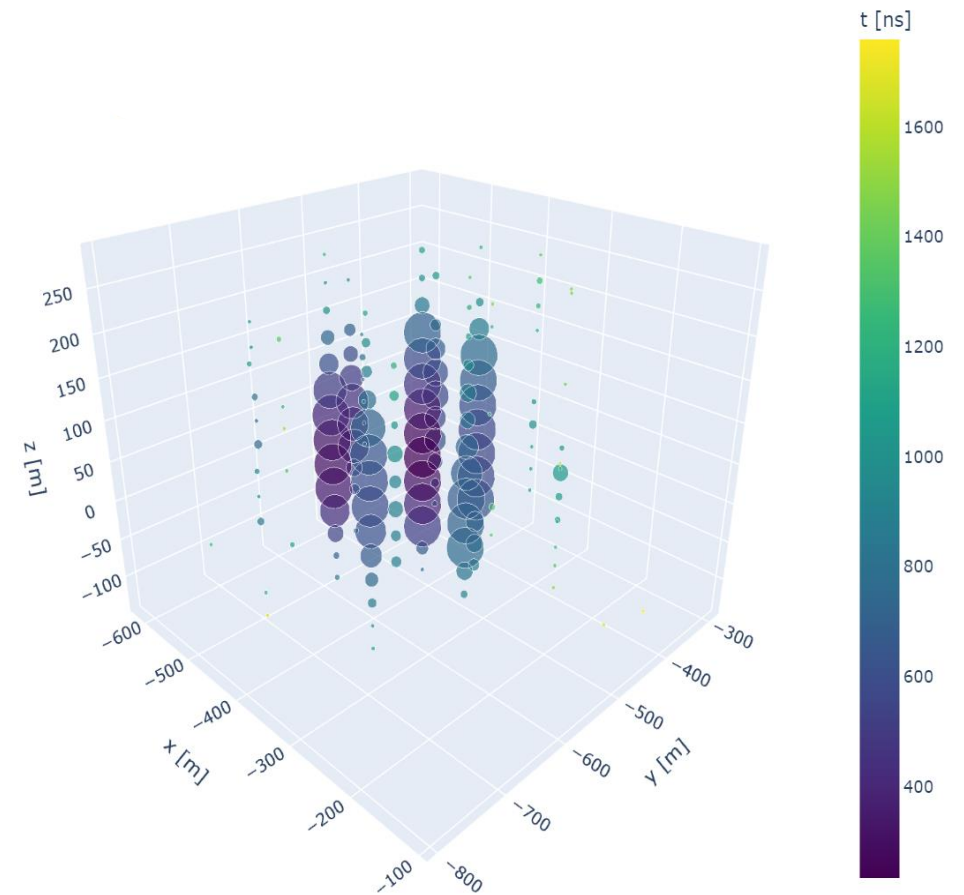
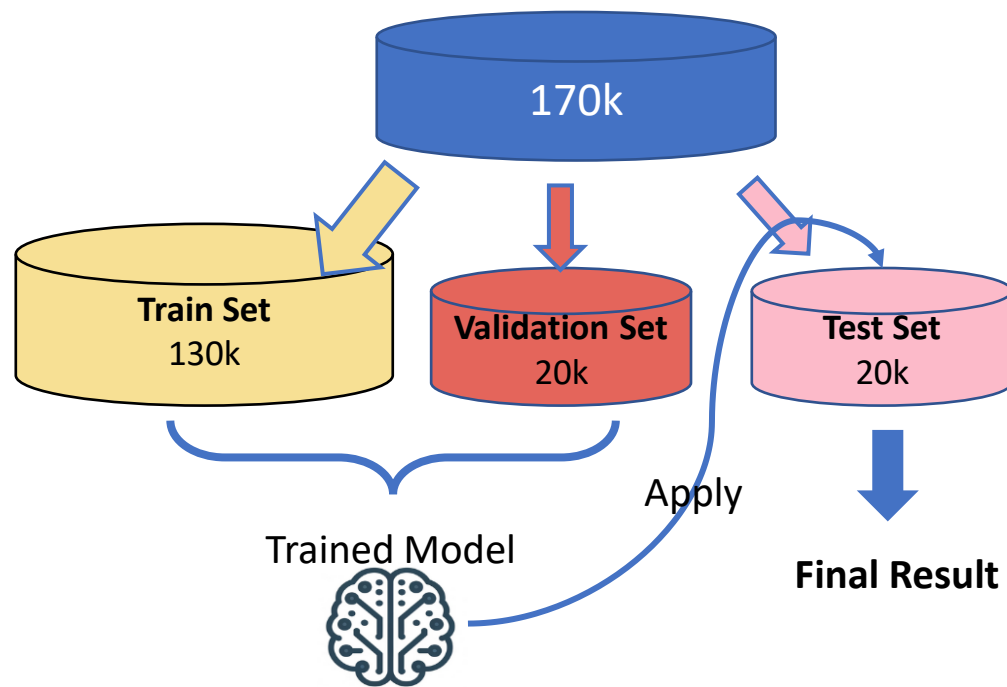
Direction & Energy Reconstruction

$$\nu_e + N \rightarrow e + X$$

ν_e direction reconstruction

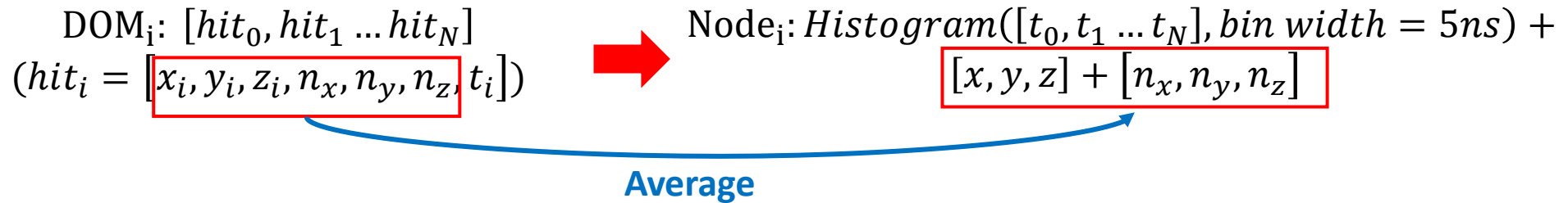
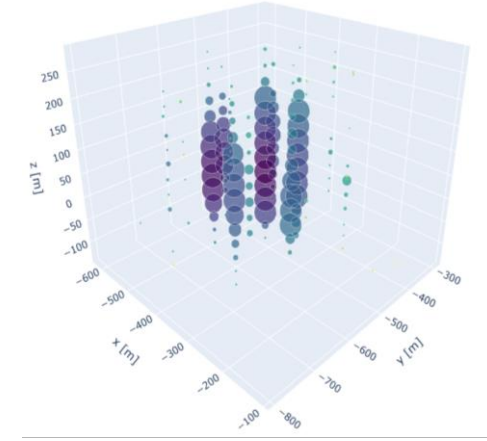
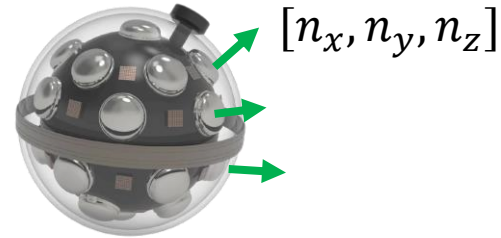
Configuration for Direction Reconstruction

- ν_e energy: 100TeV
- Sample size:



ν_e direction reconstruction

- Input feature of DOM_i :



- Histogram is further modified (**normalization**):

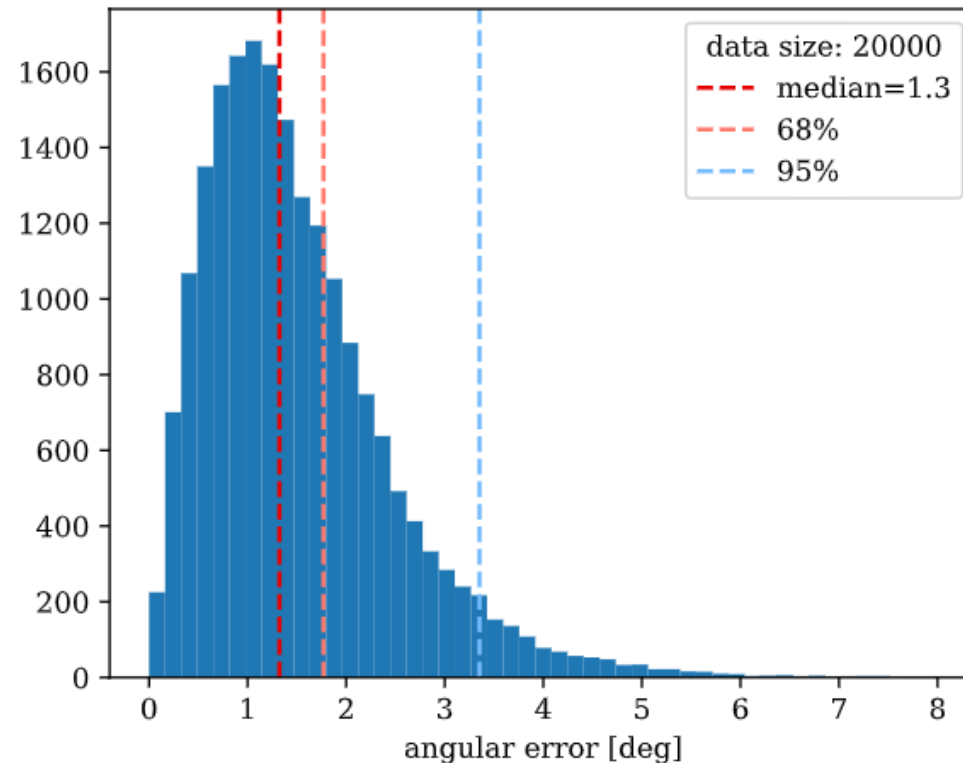
$$\text{Node}_i = [x, y, z, n_x, n_y, n_z, \ln(\text{Histogram} + 1)]$$

- Network is trained to predict \hat{n}_ν with **MSE loss**:

$$\text{Loss} = \left| \frac{\overrightarrow{\text{output}}}{|\text{output}|} - \hat{n}_{\text{truth}} \right|^2$$

ν_e direction reconstruction

- **Angular error**: angle between **recon_direction** and **truth_direction**
- Resolution reaches **1.3 degrees**. As a comparison: likelihood method: ~ 1.7 degrees (DOI: [10.22323/1.301.0950](https://doi.org/10.22323/1.301.0950))



**Angular resolution
Improvement: 25%**

- ν_e energy reconstruction

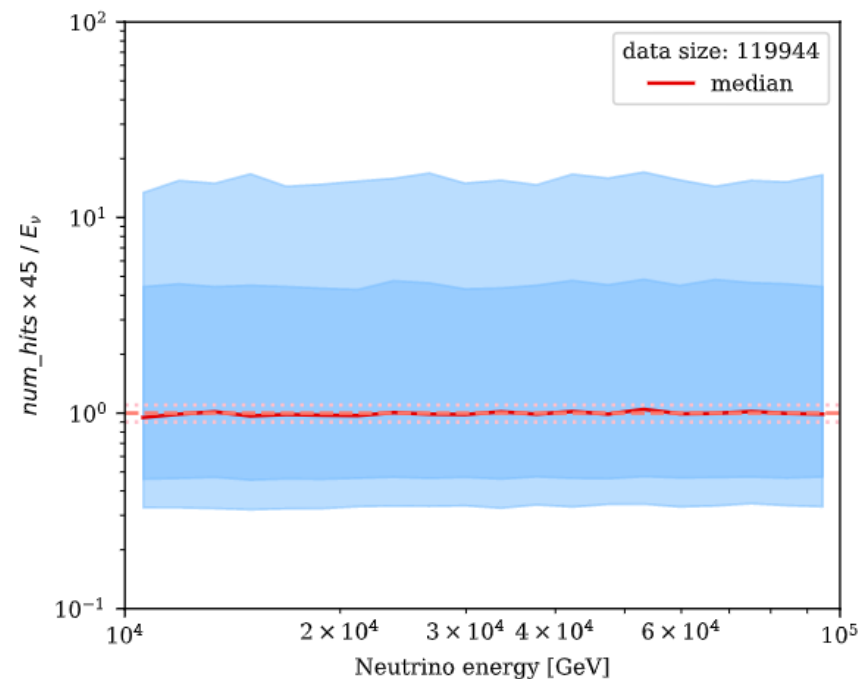
Configuration for Energy Reconstruction

- ν_e energy: 10TeV \sim 100TeV

- Sample size: 150k samples are splitted into:

train : *validation* : *test* = 120k : 15k : 15k

Linearity between num_hits & Energy

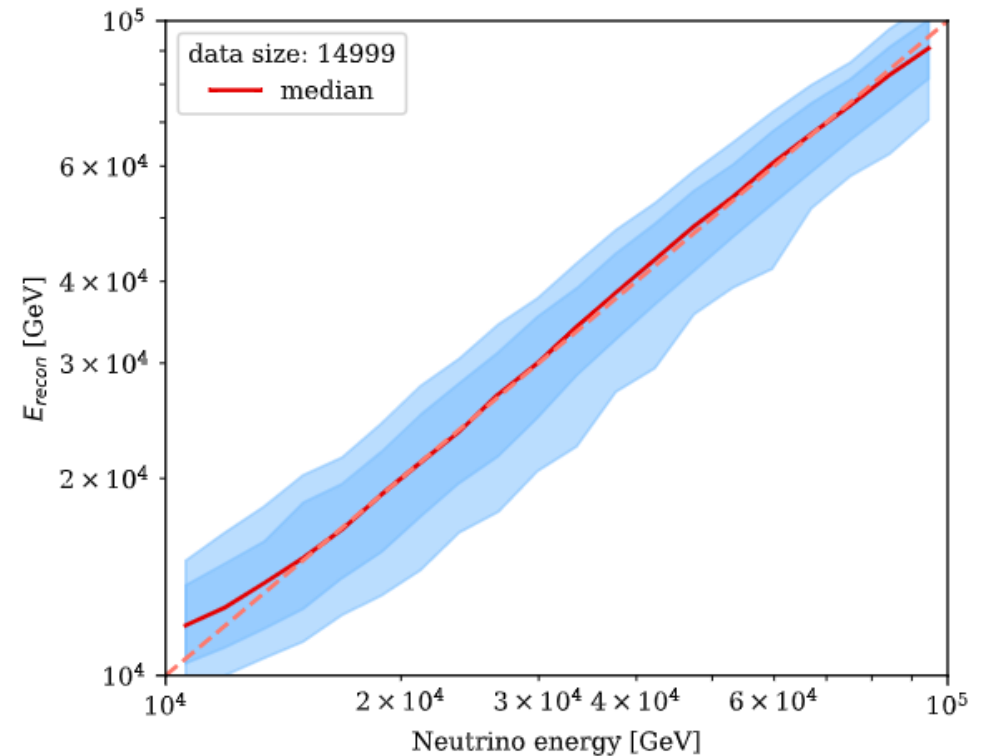
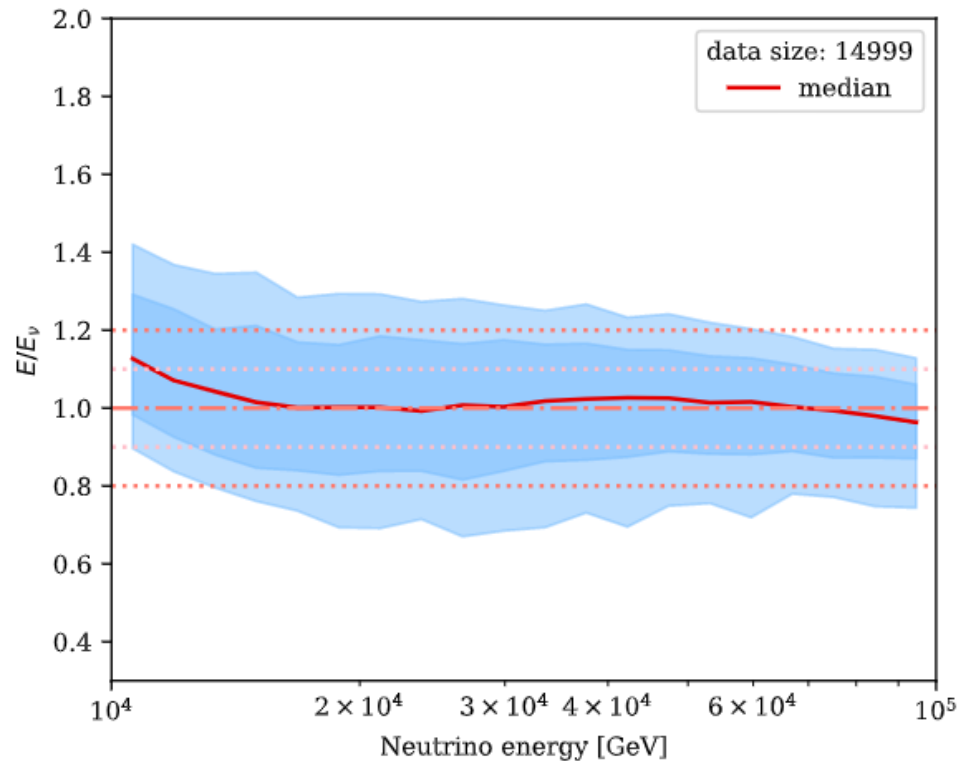


- Train GNN with:

$$\log_{10} E = \mathbf{GNN}(\mathbf{graph}) + \log_{10}(\text{num_hits} \times 45)$$

$$\text{Loss} = (\log_{10} E - \log_{10} E_{\text{truth}})^2$$

- Energy resolution is around 10% for high energy event – comparable results with the traditional likelihood method.



Track Reconstruction

Direction Reconstruction

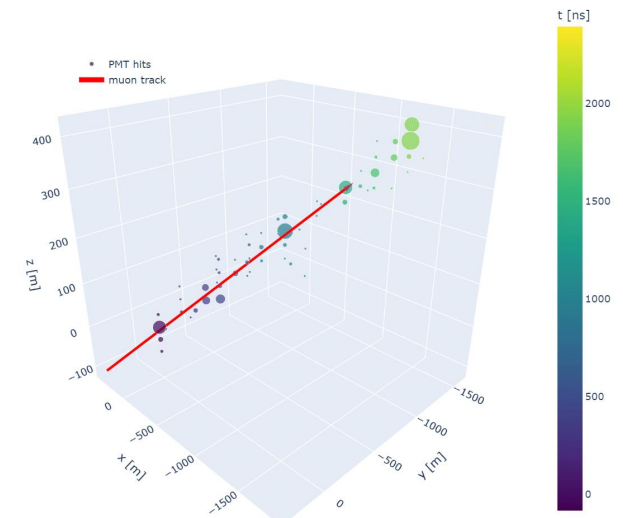
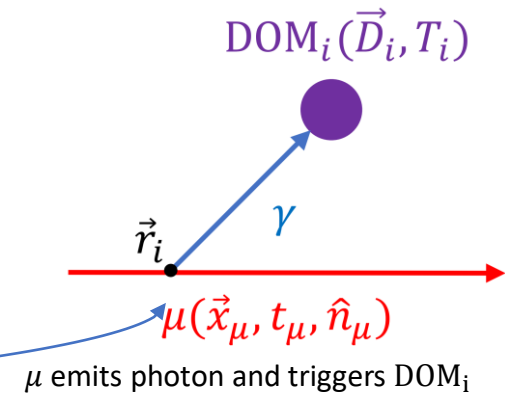
$$\nu_{\mu} + N \rightarrow \mu + X$$

ν_μ Direction reconstruction

train : *validation* : *test* = 900k : 70k : 100k

- **Input features**: location \vec{D}_i , first photon arrival time T_i and number of photo hits n_i .
- To make full use of the geometric feature of track-like events, the network is trained to predict \vec{r}_i for each DOM_i .
- **Linear fit** on the predicted \vec{r}_i' to reconstructs \hat{n}_μ .
- **Loss function**: mean square error (MSE) with weight proportional to n_i :

$$\text{Loss} = \sum_i n_i \times \left| \overrightarrow{\text{output}_i} - \vec{r}_i \right|^2 / \sum_i n_i$$

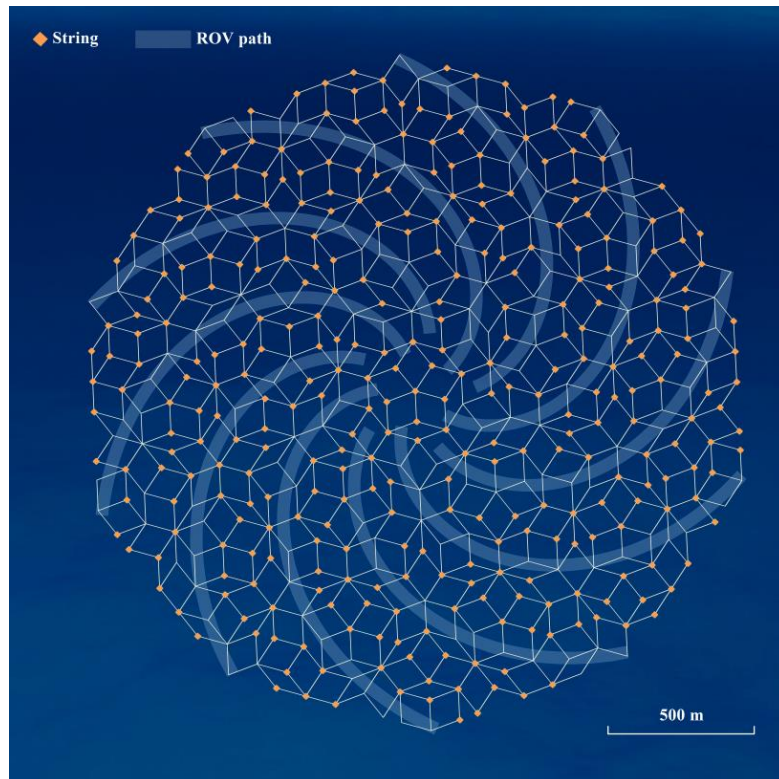


Track-like event display

- **Data Augmentation:** based on symmetry of TRIDENT.

5-fold Rotational Symmetry

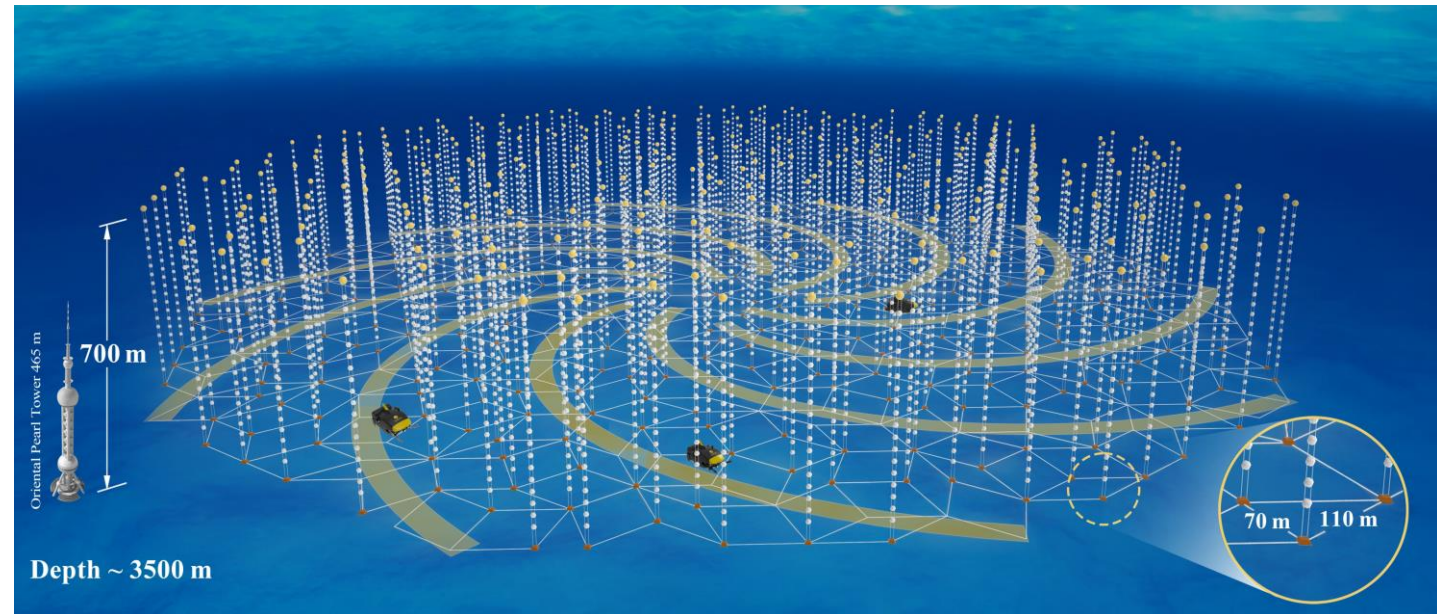
Invariant under 36° rotation around z-axis



Data size $\times 5$

Reflection Symmetry

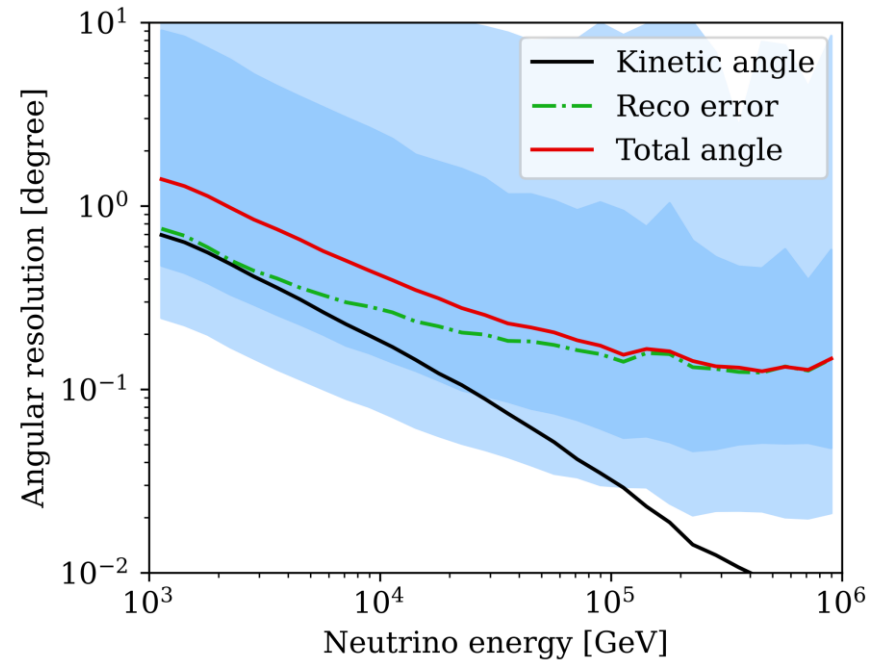
Invariant under $x \rightarrow -x$ and $z \rightarrow -z$



Data size $\times 4$

ν_μ Direction reconstruction

- Model is trained on events with **track length > 500m**.
- Median angular error decreases from 1 degree to **0.1 degree** as the energy of ν_μ increases – competitive to the result of likelihood method.



- Kinetic angle = $\langle \vec{n}_\mu, \vec{n}_\nu \rangle$
- Reco error = $\langle \vec{n}_\mu, \vec{n}_{recon} \rangle$
- Total angle = $\langle \vec{n}_\nu, \vec{n}_{recon} \rangle$

- Simulated neutrino events in TRIDENT are represented as **point clouds** and are reconstructed by Graph Neural Network.
- GNN demonstrates high accuracy in reconstructing ν_e and ν_μ events in neutrino telescope:

Task	Resolution (GNN)	Resolution (Traditional method)
Cascade direction	1.3 degrees	1.7 degrees
Cascade energy	10% (>50 TeV)	5~20%
Track direction	~0.1 (>50 TeV)	0.1 (>50 TeV)

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 - **25% improvement** for ν_e direction reconstruction.
 - **10% energy resolution** for ν_e & **0.1 angular resolution** for ν_μ : competitive to traditional method.
- Reconstruction **speed** achieved by GNN (**~ 1 ms/event**) significantly outperforms the speed of likelihood method (~ 1 s/event).
- Improvement of neutrino reconstruction will be further studied.
- Future research will try to enhance the method's robustness against experimental uncertainties and noise.

Thanks for listening!

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- **Learning rate:**

Initial learning Rate = 0.003

lr scheduler: `ReduceLROnPlateau(factor=0.5, patience=5)`

- **optimizer:**

`Adam(betas=(0.9, 0.999), eps=1e-8, weight_decay=0)`

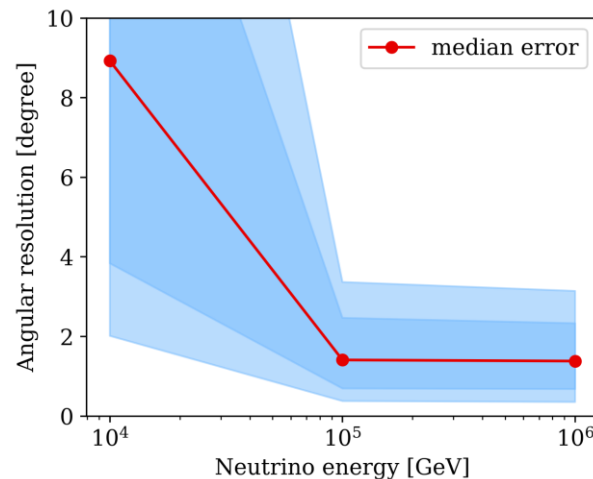
$$\log \mathcal{L} = \sum_{empties} \log[P_i^{nohit}] + \sum_{hitPMTs} \log[1 - P_i^{nohit}]$$

$$P_i^{nohit} = \exp[-\mu_{sig}(r_i, z_i, a_i, E_S) - R_{bg} \cdot T]$$

(equation 5.2) are considered. The expected number of hits from the shower μ_{sig} is evaluated using interpolation of a three-dimensional histogram depending on r_i, z_i and a_i at a shower energy of 1 PeV (figure 8). The expected number of hits at different shower energies is calculated using the fact that the number of emitted photons scales linearly with the shower energy E_S .

- Former GNN result on samples with other energy (by linear scaling num_photons):

$$n' = n \times \frac{100TeV}{E_\nu}$$



Track-like Events Reconstruction

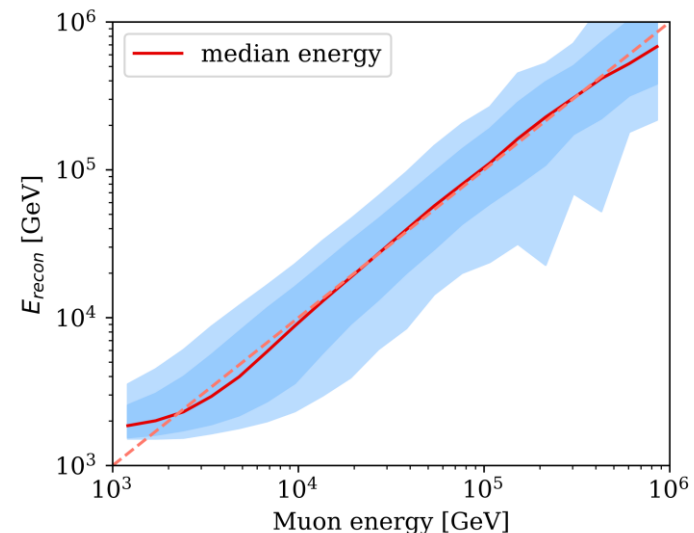
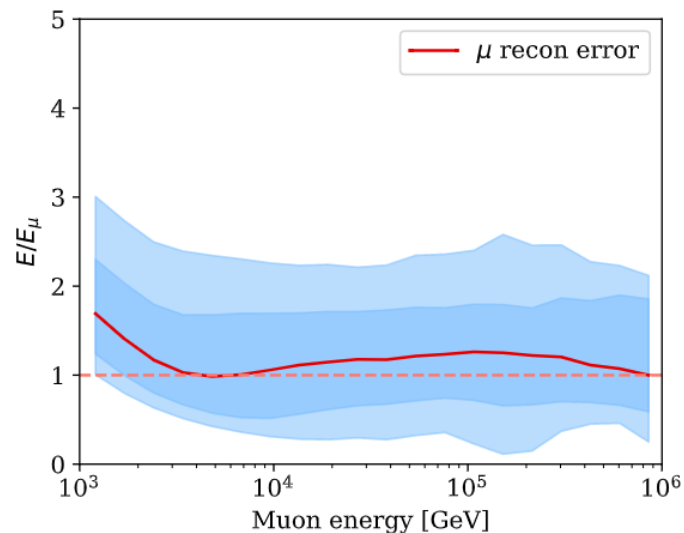
Energy reconstruction

- Same input features as the direction reconstruction.
- Network is trained with **MSE loss** to predict $\log_{10} E_\mu$. Weight $w = \log_{10} E_\mu - 2.5$ is applied:

$$Loss = w(\text{output} - \log_{10} E_\mu)^2$$

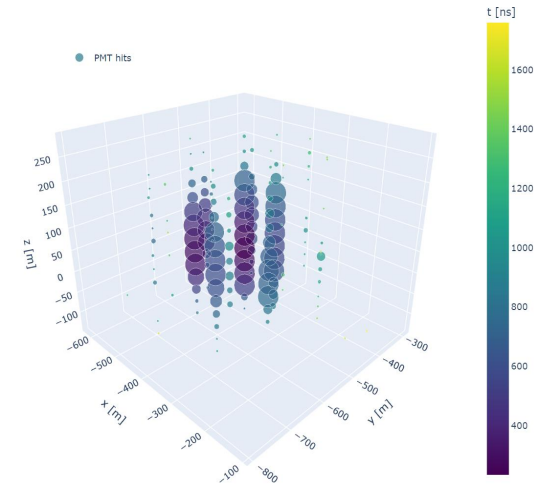
- A shift term, $b = 0.15$ is added to outputs of the model:

$$E_{recon} = 10^{\text{output}+b}$$



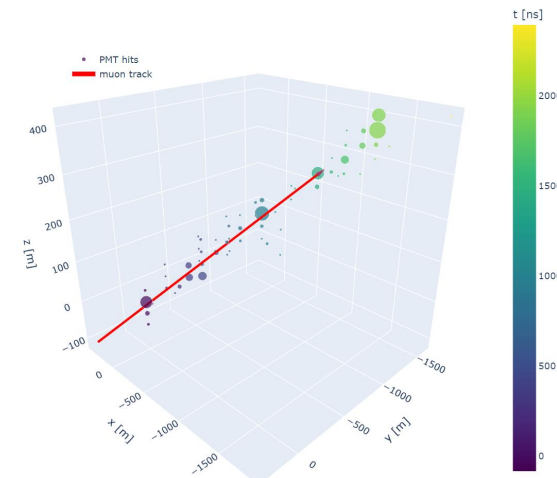
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- Energy Reconstruction

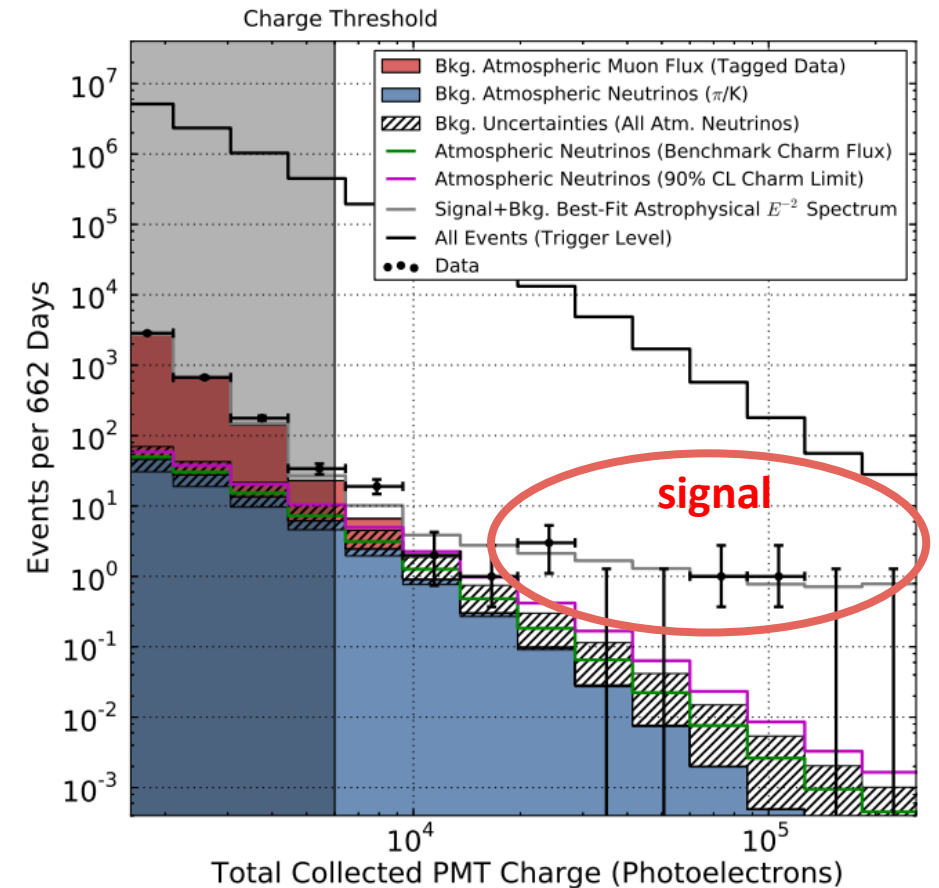
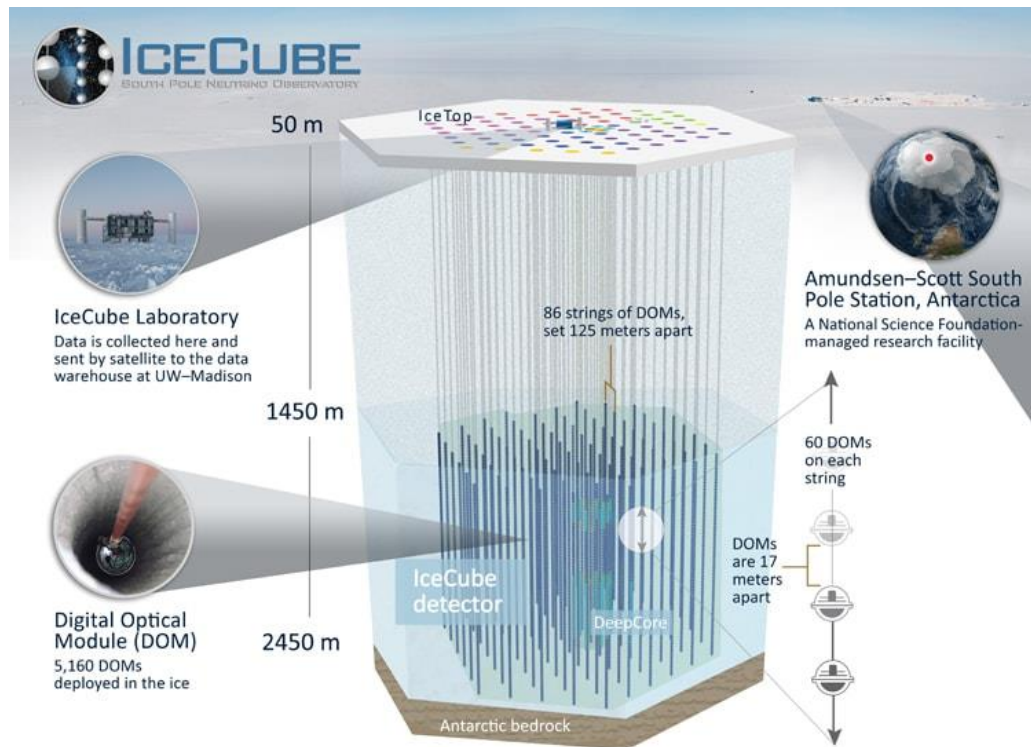


- Reconstruction of ν_μ /track events

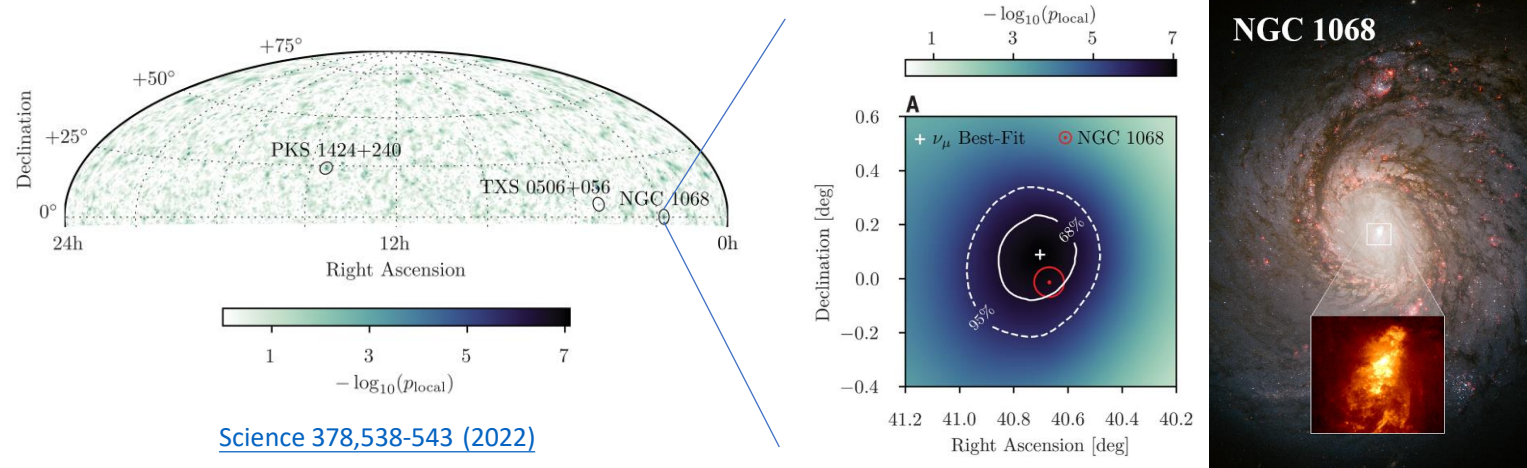
- Direction Reconstruction



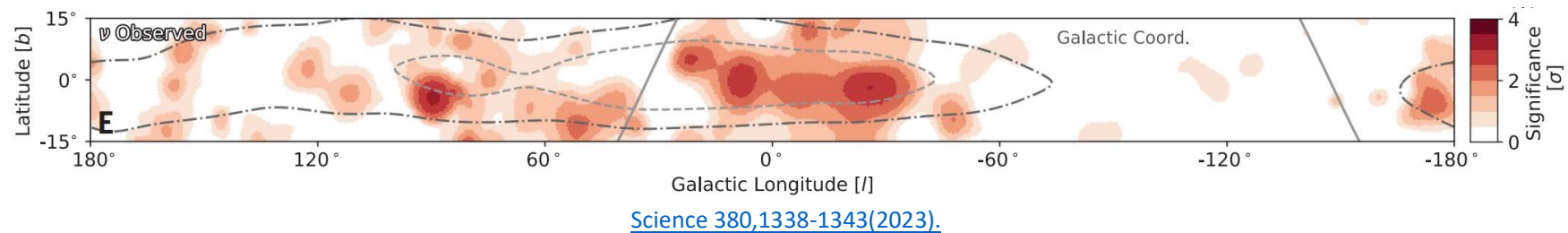
- Currently the largest neutrino telescope.
- Detected astrophysical neutrinos in 2013. [Science 342,1242856\(2013\)](#)



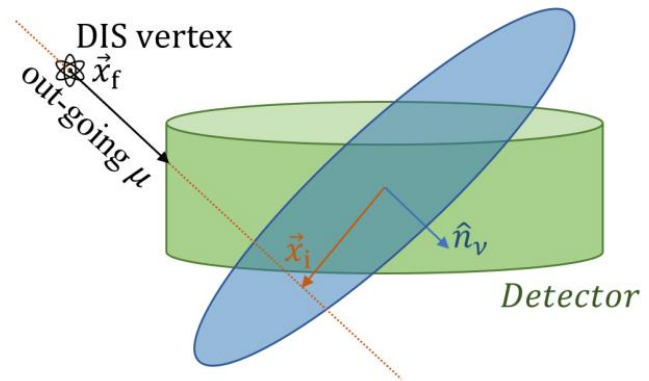
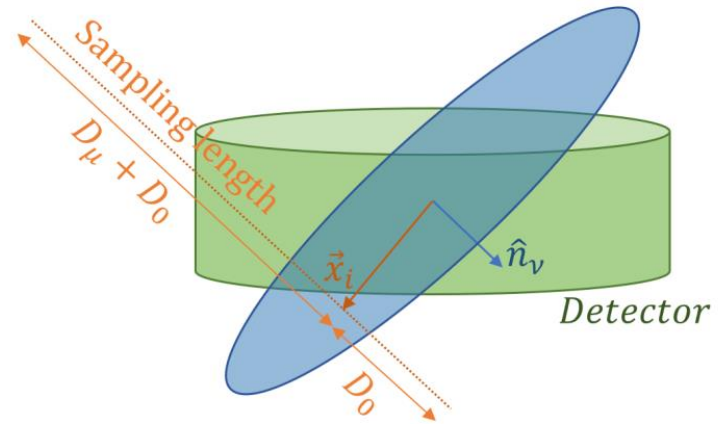
- Evidence for neutrino emission from the nearby active galaxy NGC 1068 (2022).



- Observation of high-energy neutrinos from the Galactic plane (2023)



v_μ Vertex Sampling



Effective Area of ν_μ

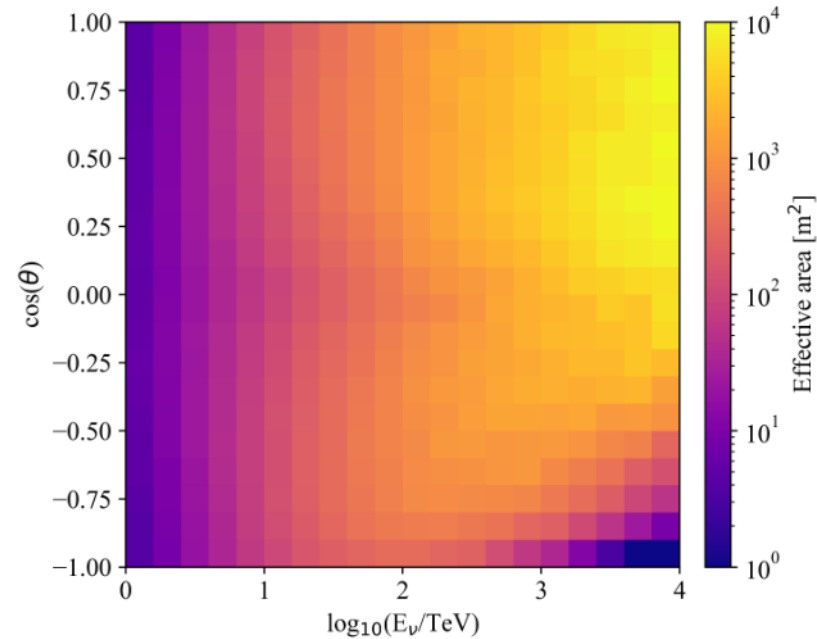
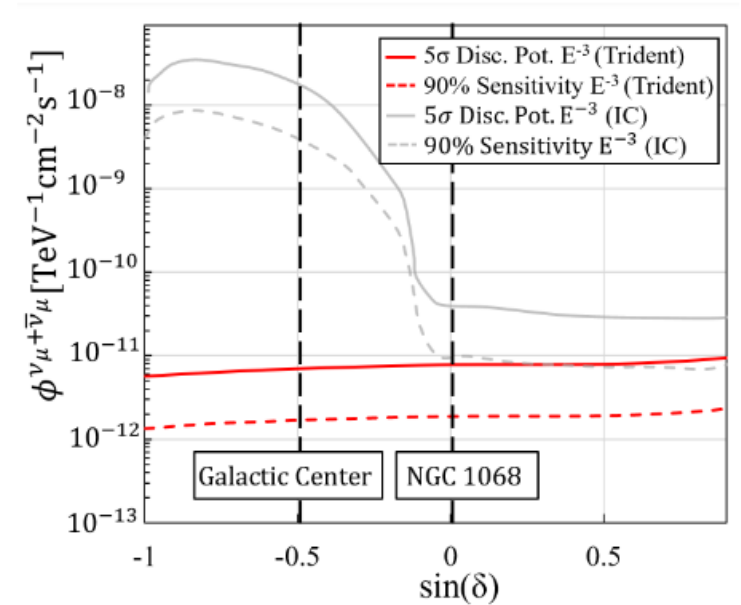
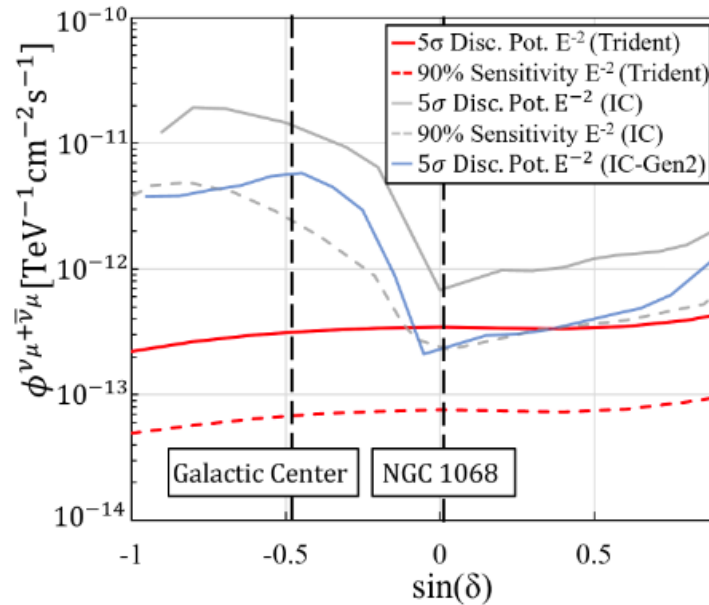
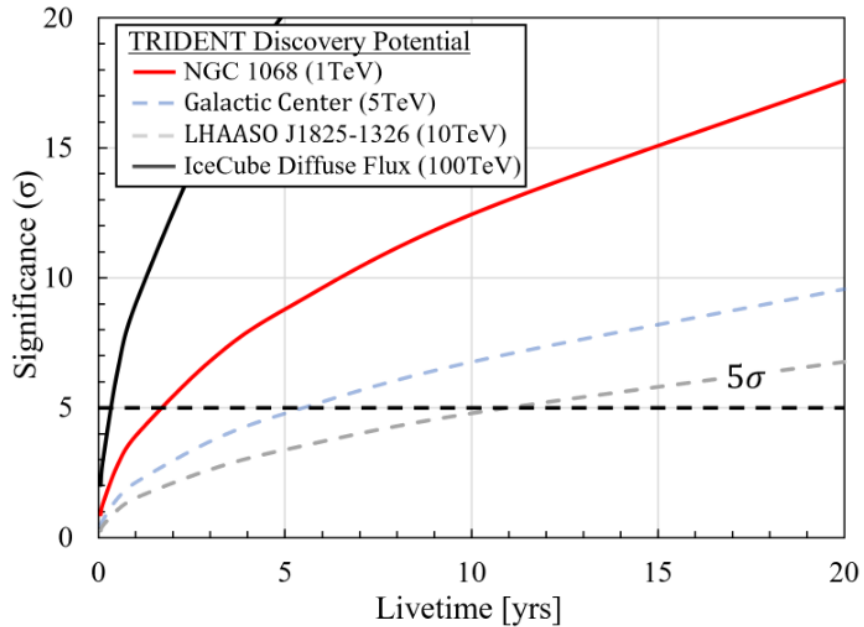


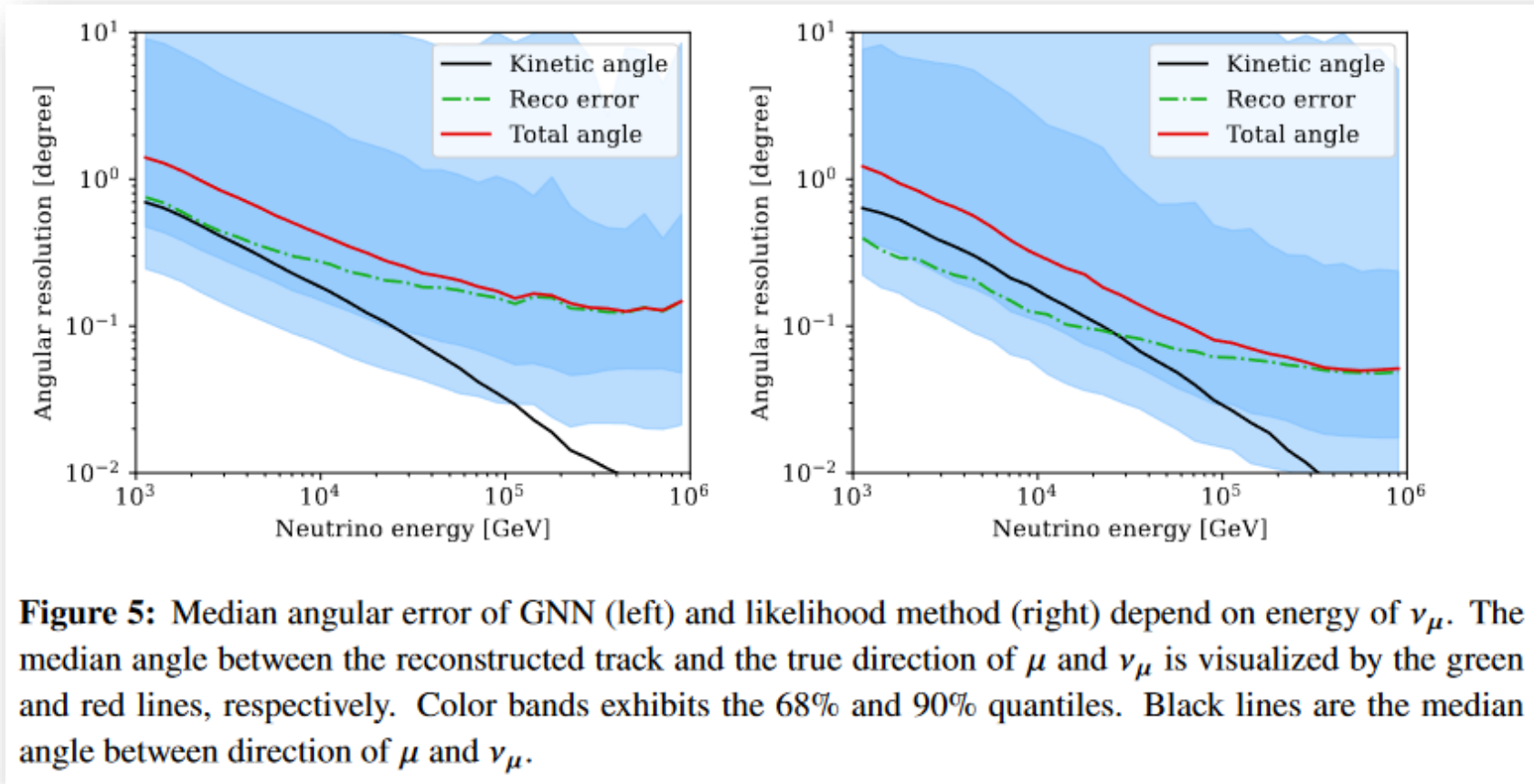
Figure 15: Effective areas at event reconstruction level for ν_μ track events as a function of primary neutrino energy and zenith angle in TRIDENT. At an energy of ~ 100 TeV, the effective area for up-going events is expected to reach 7×10^2 m^2 . Only events with angular error less than 6 degree are selected to evaluate the effective area.

Significance & Sensitivity

[arXiv:2207.04519](https://arxiv.org/abs/2207.04519)



Comparison with Likelihood Method



Track-like Events Reconstruction

Direction reconstruction

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