

# High Energy Analysis at KamLAND and Application to Dark Matter Search

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# Overview

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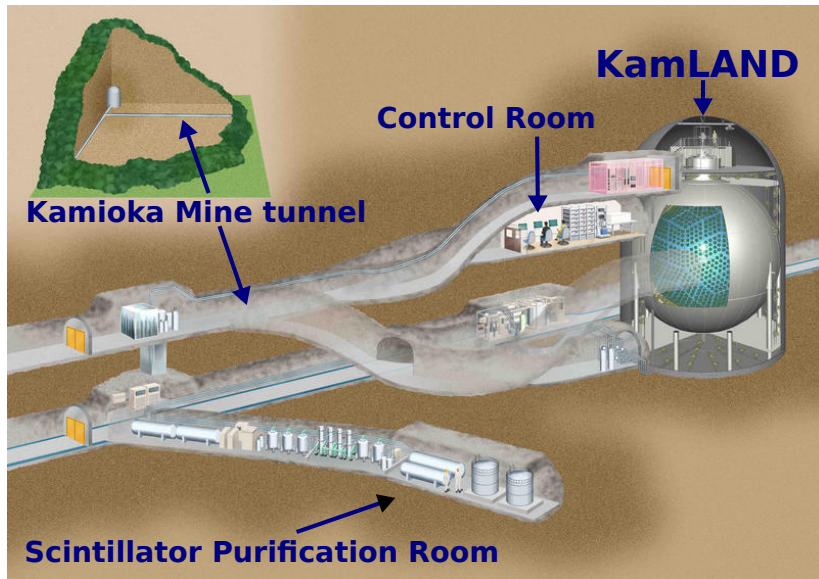
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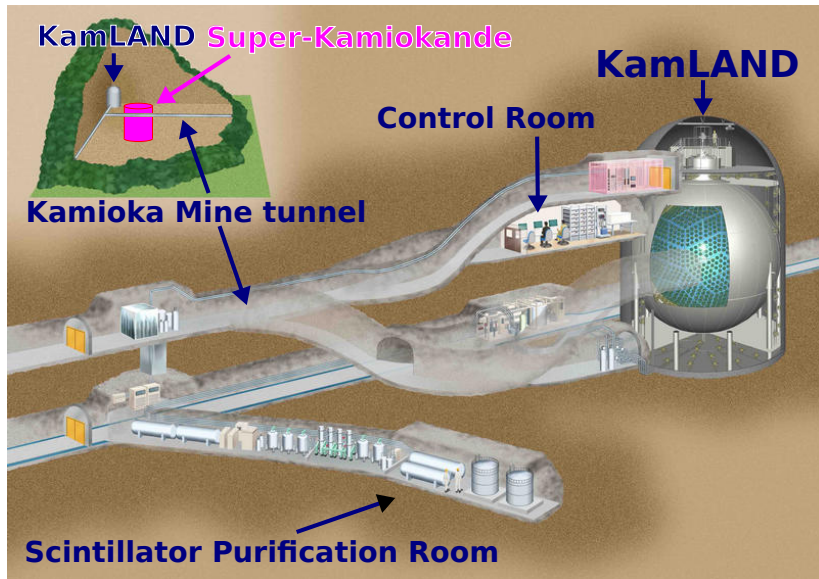
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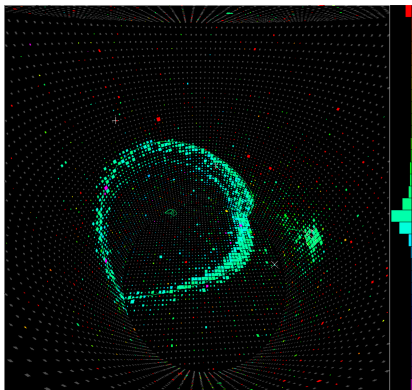
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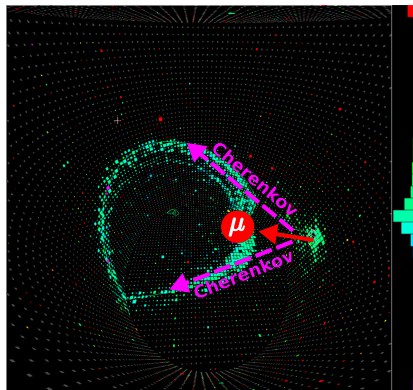


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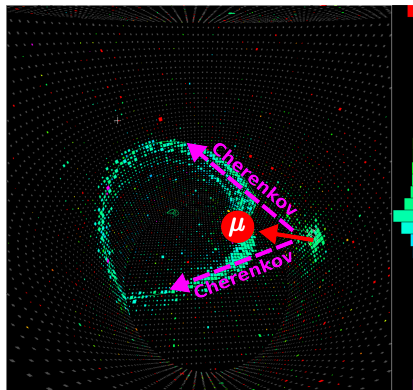
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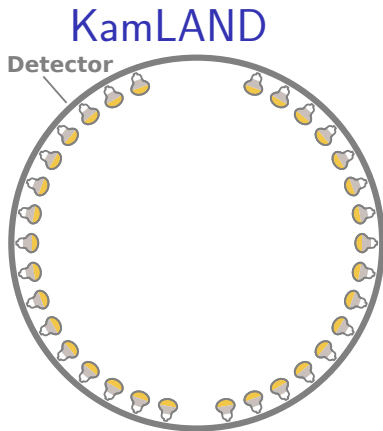
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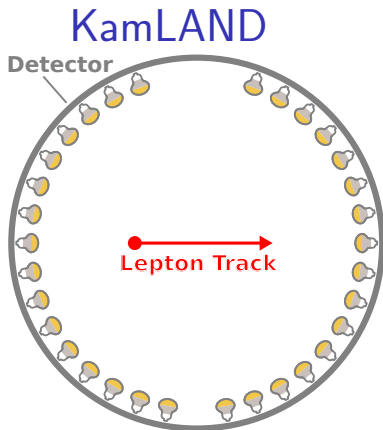


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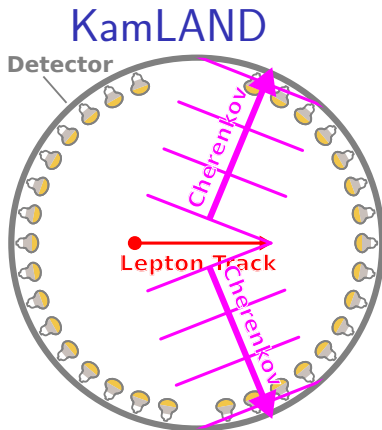
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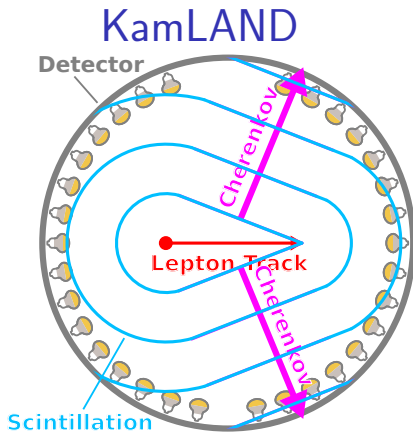


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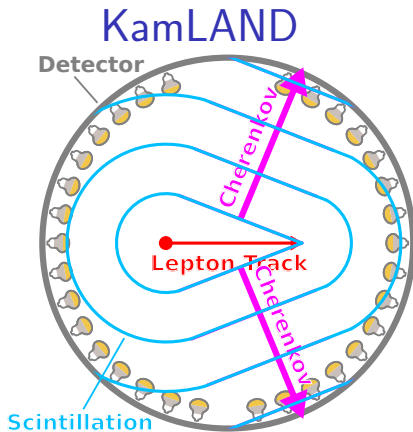
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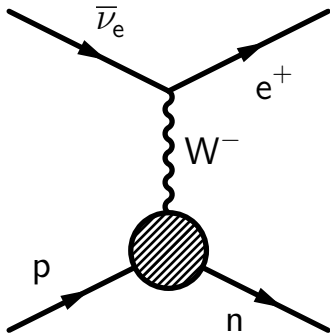
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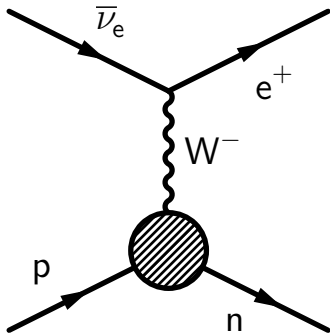
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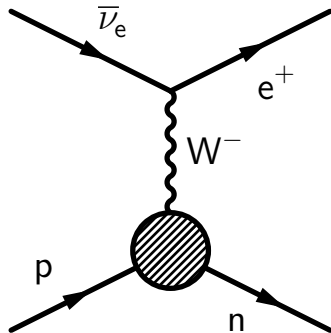
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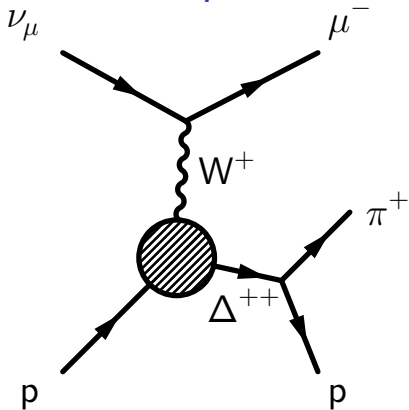
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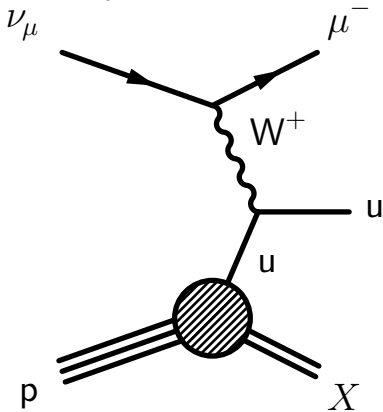
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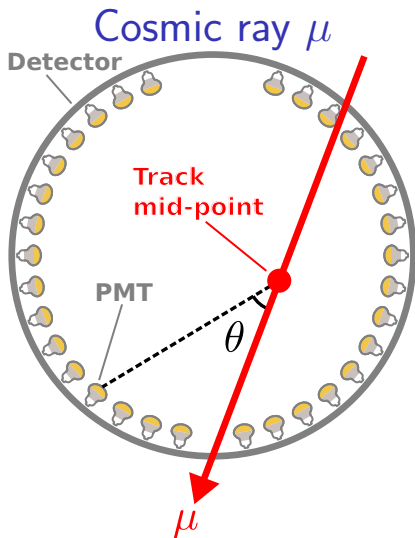
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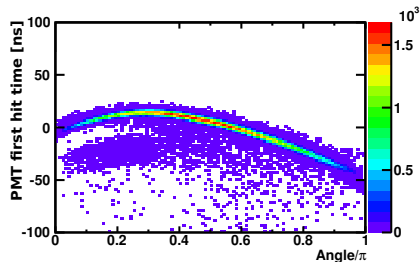
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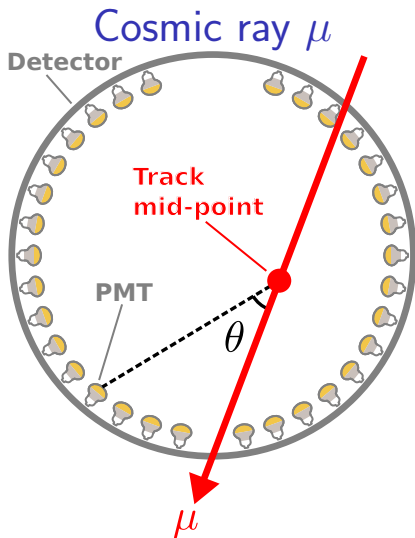
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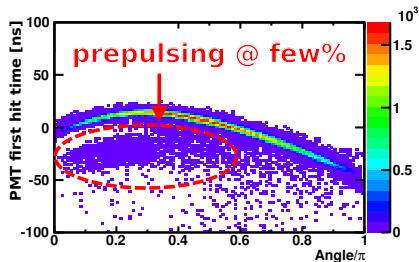
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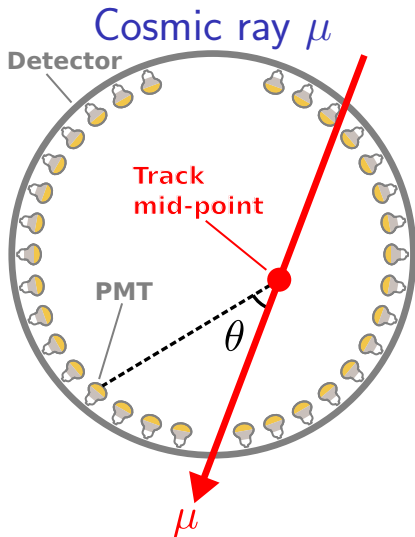
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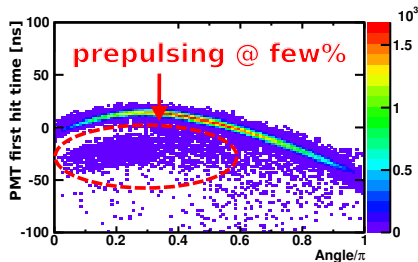
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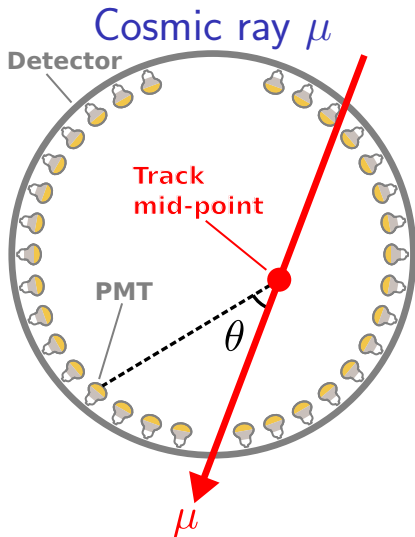


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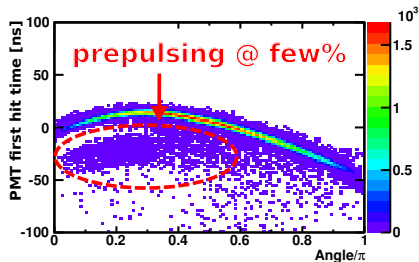


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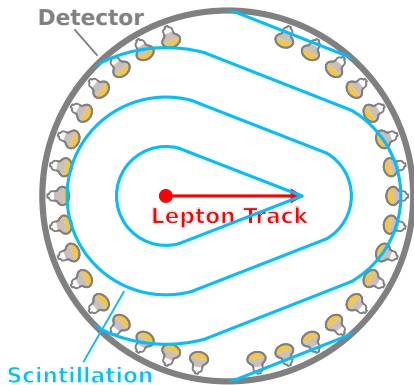
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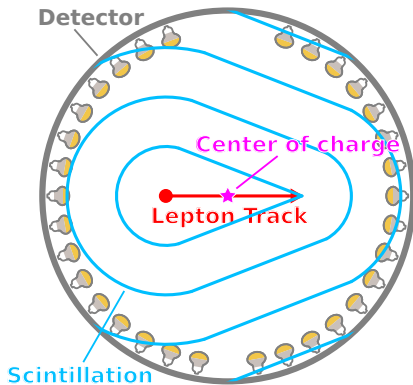
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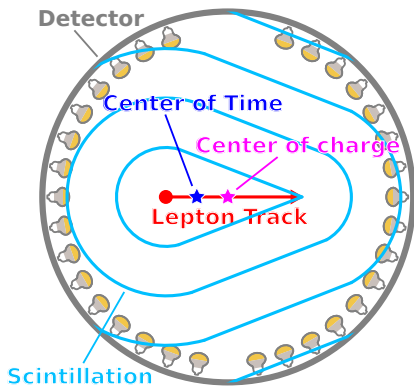
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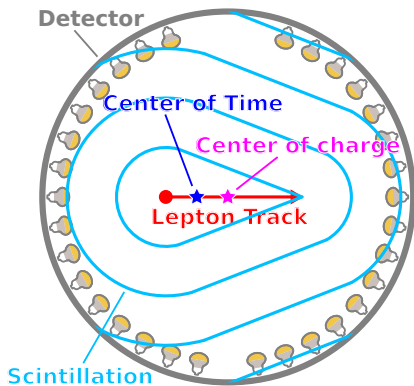


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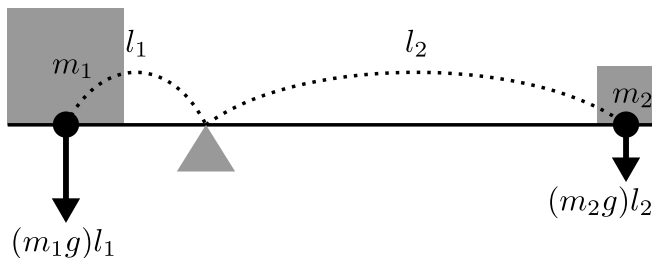
- ▶ But, what do we use for the weights in the **weighted mean**:

$$\frac{\sum_i w_i x_i}{\sum_i w_i}$$

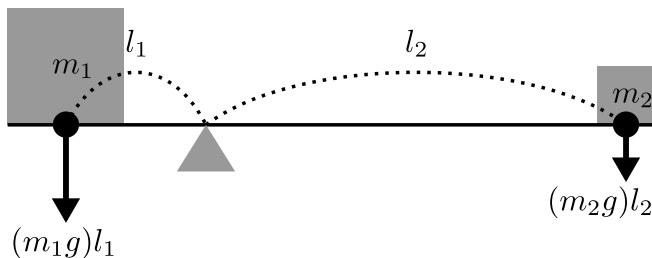
when calculating center of charge and time?

# Let's review some basic physics...

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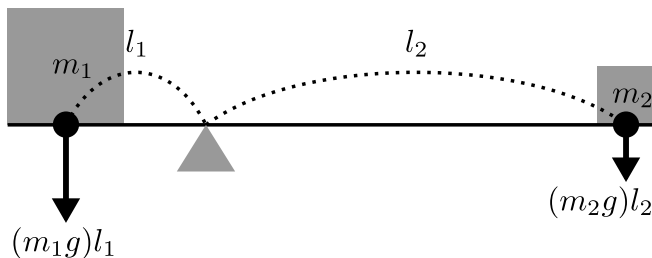
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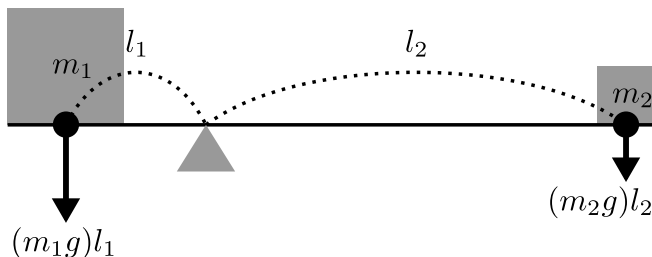
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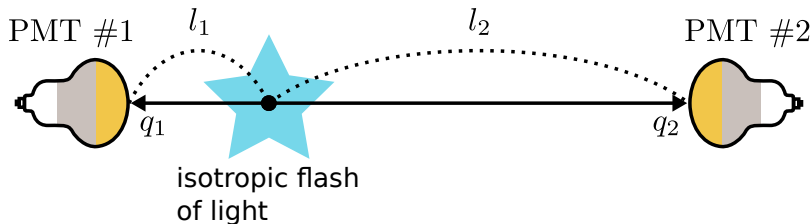
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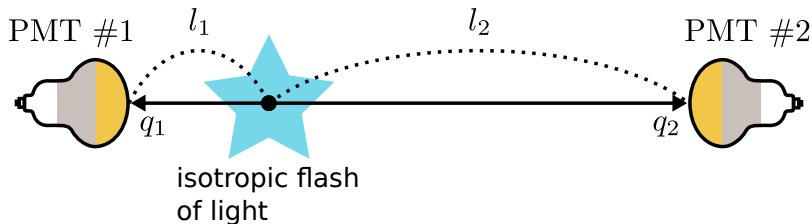
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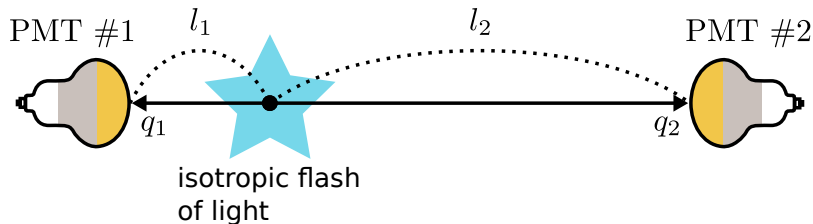


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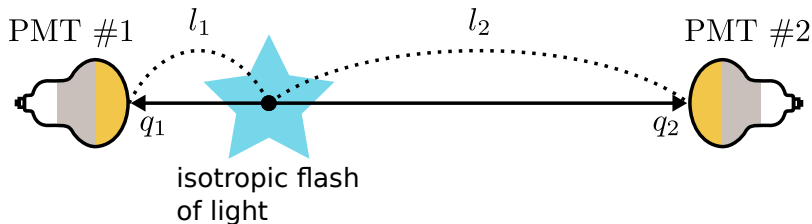
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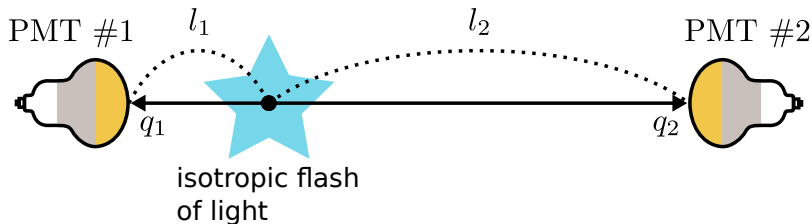


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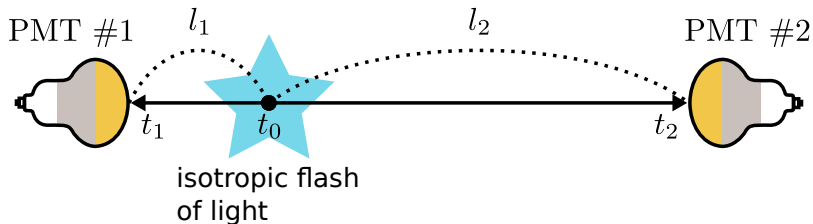
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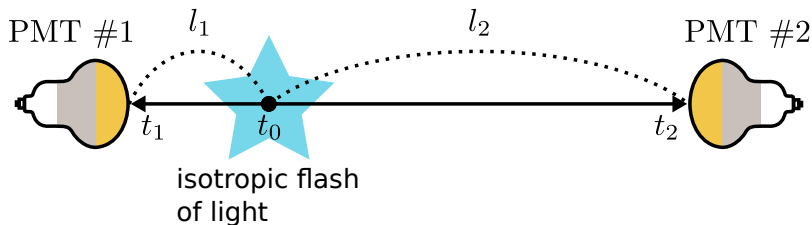
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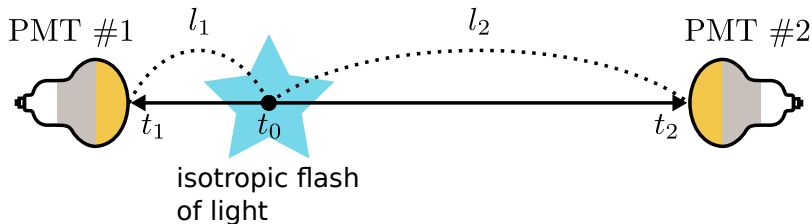


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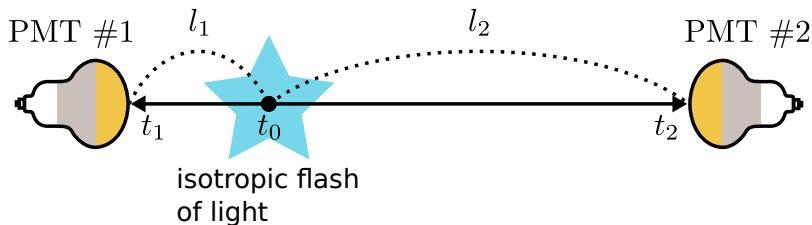


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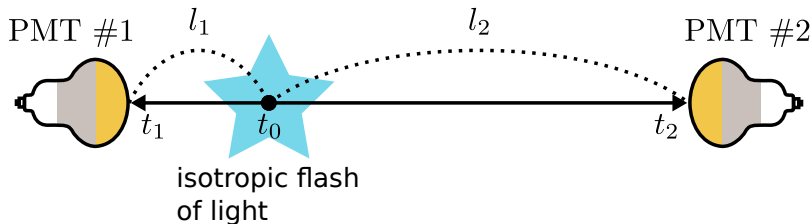
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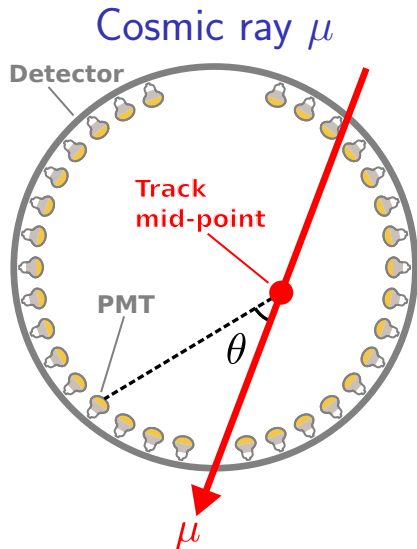
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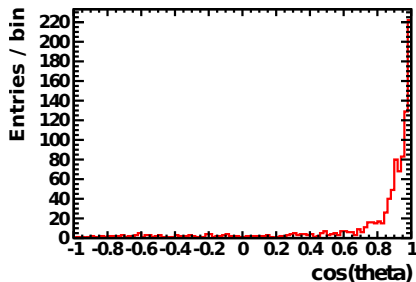
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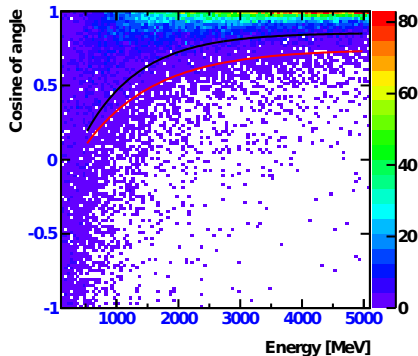
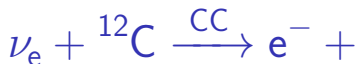
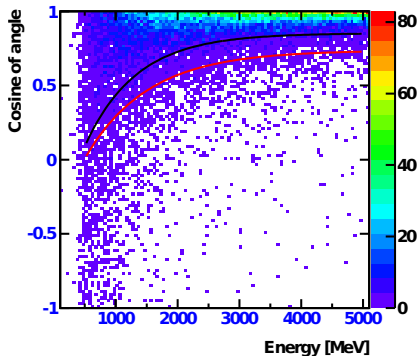
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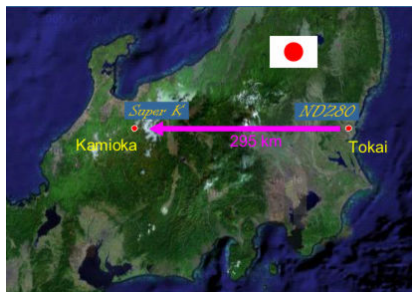
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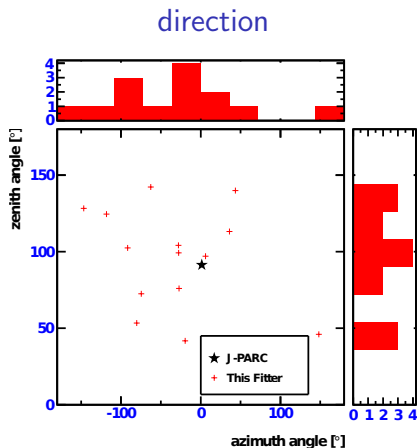
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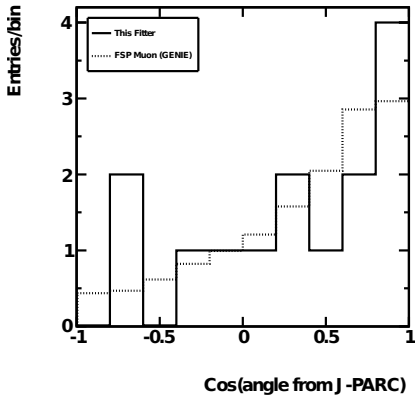
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# Track Reconstruction and Particle ID

# Hellgartner's algorithm

(former LENA grad student)

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where  $N_{\text{PMT}}$ : number of PMTs

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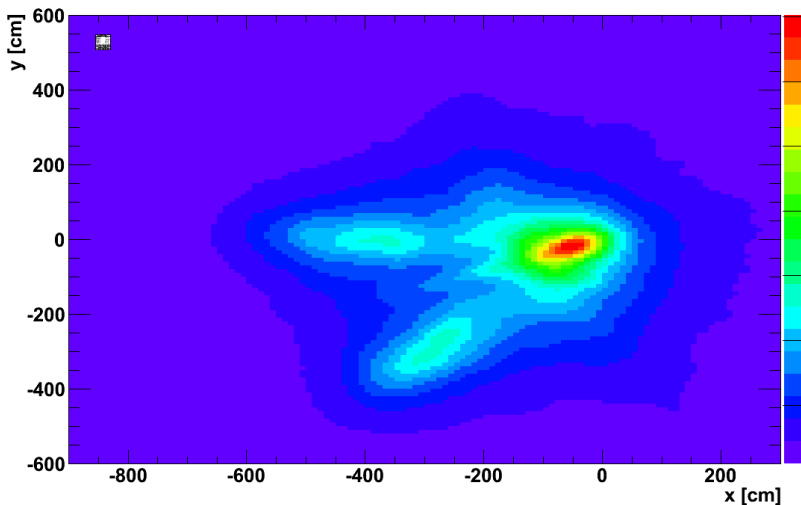
$t_{ij}$ :  $j$ -th hit time on  $i$ -th PMT

$t_i^{\text{TOF}}$ : expected time-of-flight between  $i$ -th PMT and  $\vec{x}$

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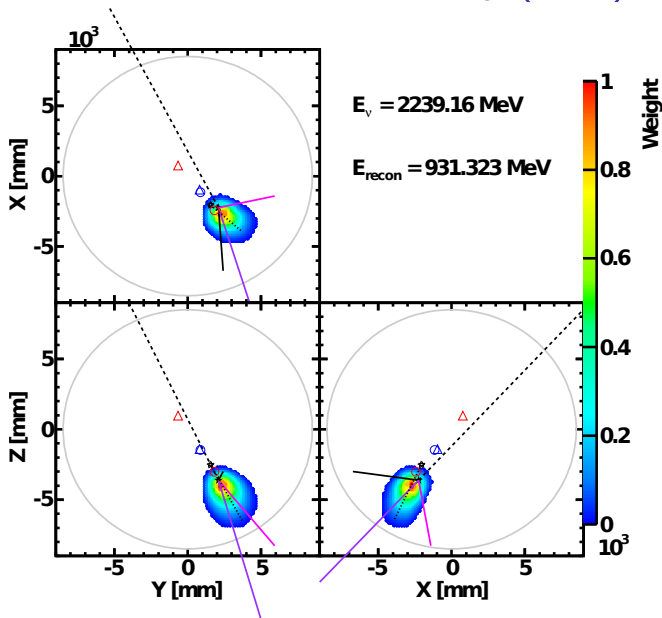
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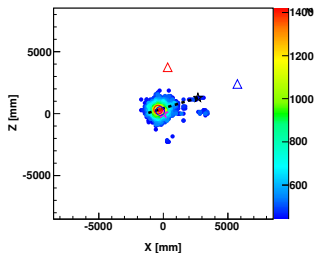
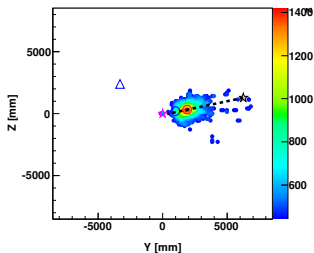
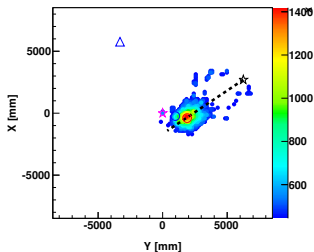


Dominikus Hellgartner

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# Lepton discrimination algorithm

Explanation is here.



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## Reconstructed Ellipticity

