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

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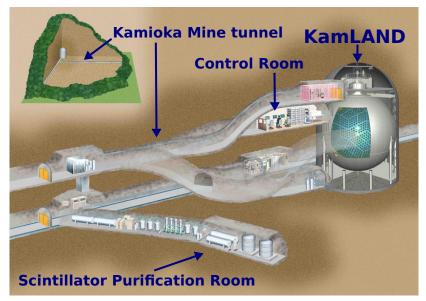
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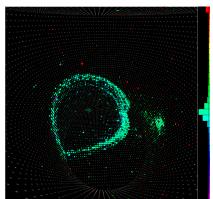
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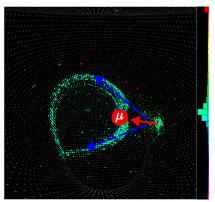
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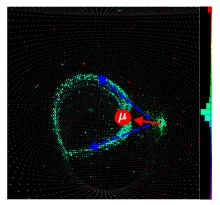
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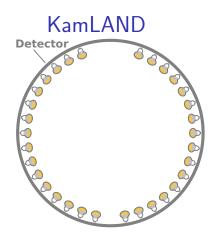
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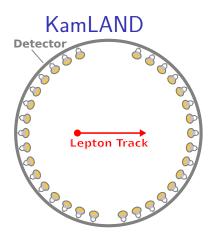
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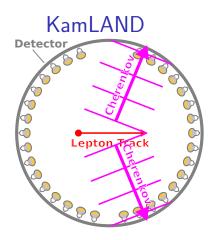
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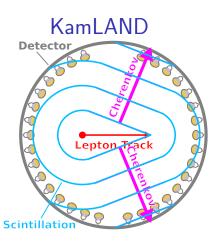
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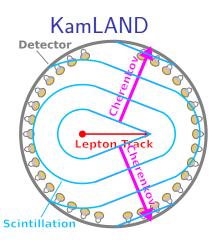




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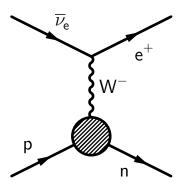
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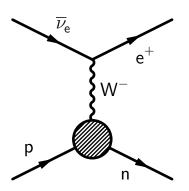
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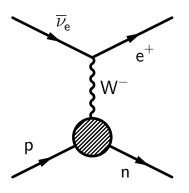
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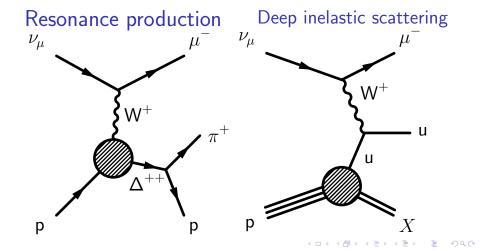
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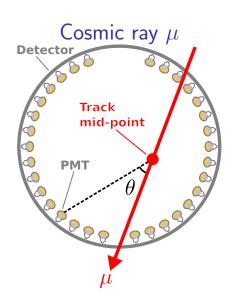
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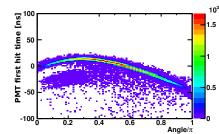
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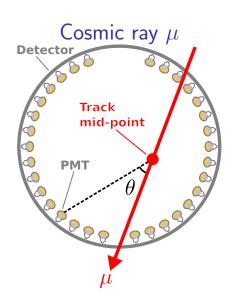
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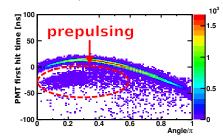


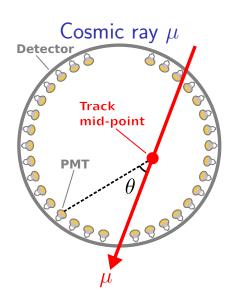
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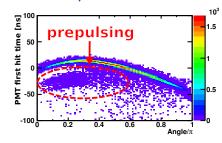


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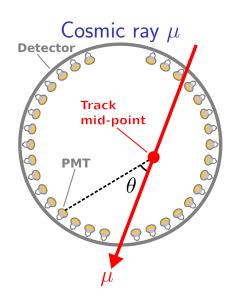




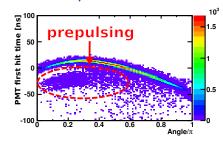
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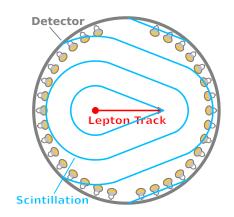
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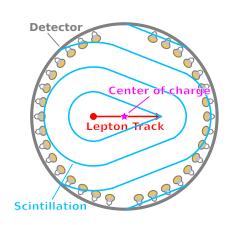
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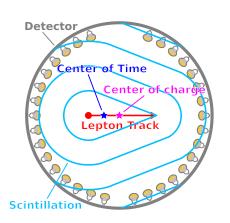
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  - ▶ Time
  - Charge

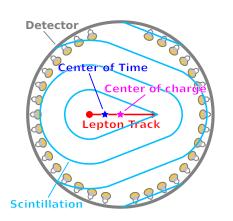




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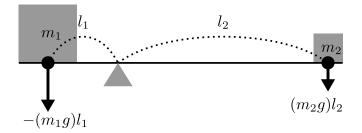
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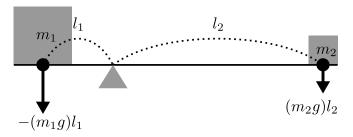
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Let's review some basic physics

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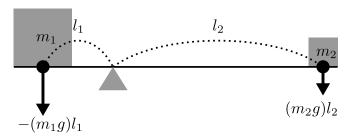


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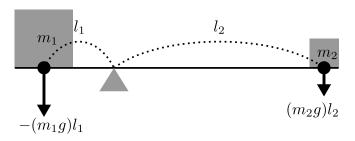
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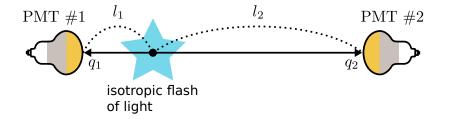


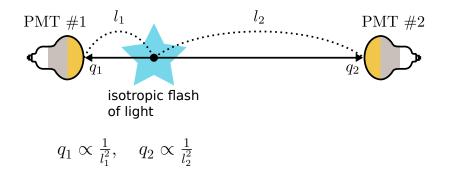
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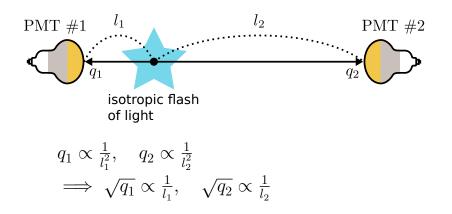
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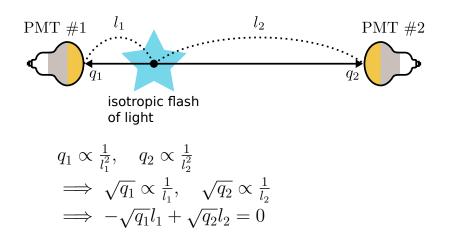


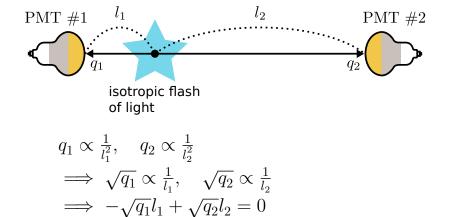
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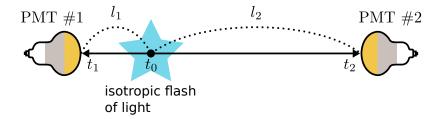


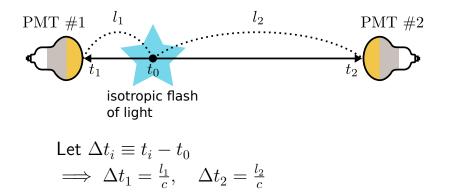


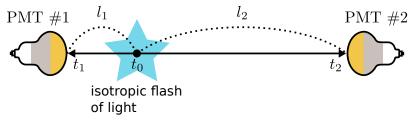




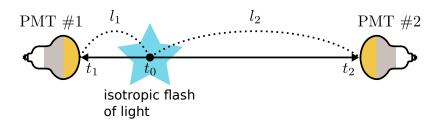
... weight is square root of charge:  $w_i = \sqrt{q_i}$ 



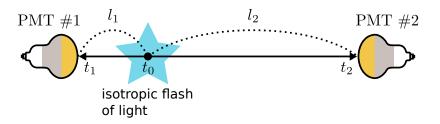




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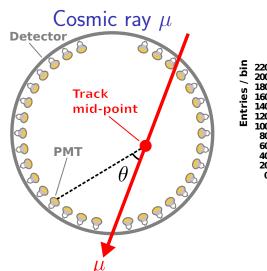
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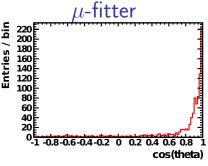
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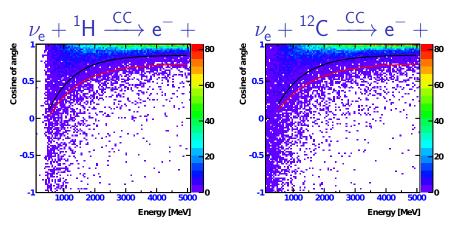
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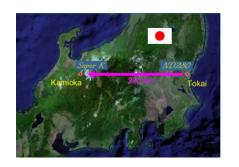
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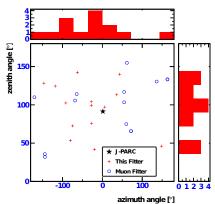


- ▶ Black line:  $1 \sigma$  of reconstructed angle from  $\nu$  direction
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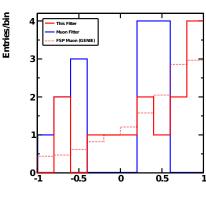
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#### Hellgartner's algorithm

$$h(\vec{x},t) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{PMT}}} \Theta(q_i - q_{\text{threshold}}) \sum_{j=1}^{N_{\gamma}} f(t_{ij} - t_i^{\text{TOF}}, t)$$

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

 $N_{\gamma}$ : number of photon hits to count per PMT

 $q_i$ : charge on i-th PMT,  $q_{\text{threshold}}$ : minimum charge for analysis

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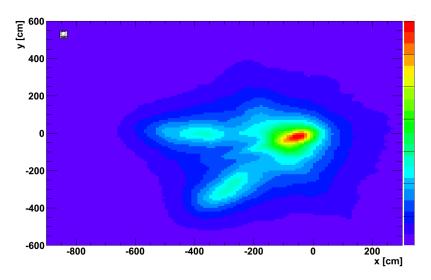
 $t_i^{\mathsf{TOF}}$ : expected time-of-flight between *i*-th PMT and  $\vec{x}$ 

$$f(\Delta t, t) \propto (t - \Delta t) \exp \left[ -\frac{(\Delta t - t)^2}{2\sigma_{\mathsf{tts}}} \right]$$

Figure of merit for each test point in space  $= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |h(\vec{x},t)|^2 dt$ 

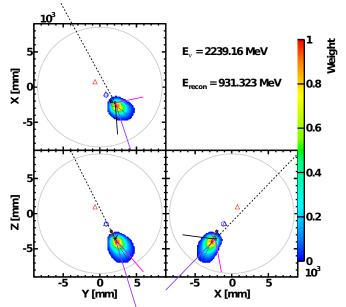


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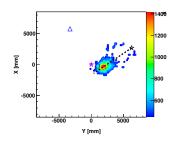


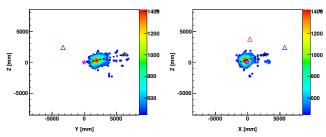
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### Lepton discrimination algorithm

Explanation is here.

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#### **Reconstructed Ellipticity**

