ForwArd Search ExpeRiment

3DCal Modules

The Basic Unit - Scintillating Voxel:

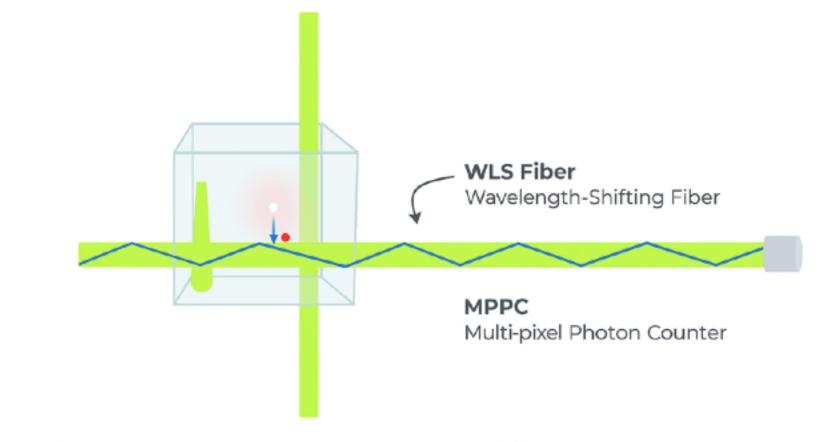
- Detector built from half a million of 1 cm³ plastic cubes.
- A charged particle crossing a cube → cube scintillates, emitting photons.

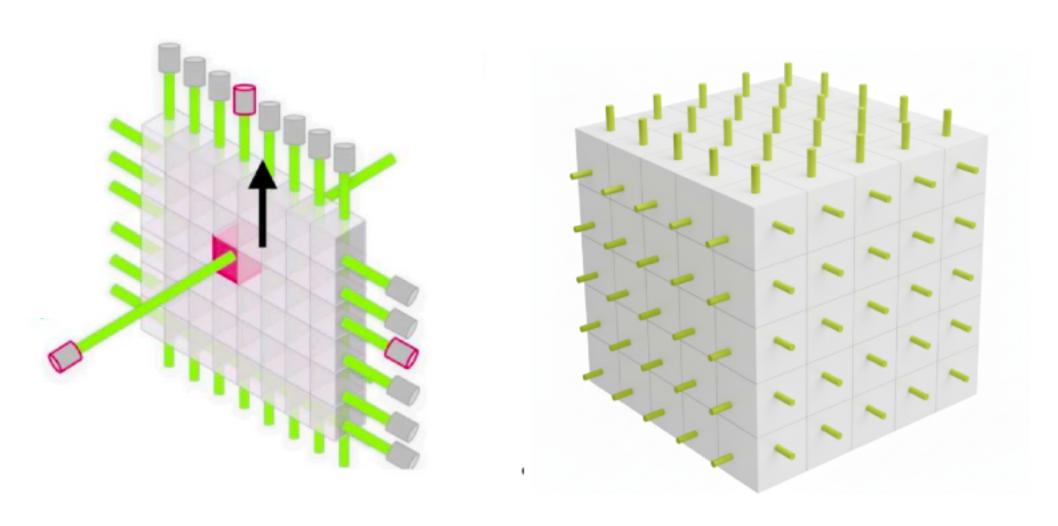
Capturing the Light: Wavelength-Shifting (WLS) Fibers

- Three orthogonal fibers pierce each cube.
- Fibers absorb scintillation light → re-emit & guide photons to sensors at detector edges.

Same technology as SuperFGD:

- Very Successful in T2K experiment.
- 2 million voxels.





[The Super FGD for the T2K neutrino oscillation experiment: Link]

The Read Out

The Data Challenge

Three-Plane Readout:

- Light collected from fibers along X, Y, Z axes.
- Produces three independent 2D projections of the event.

Creating a 3D Image:

- Combine 2D views → Sparse 3D event.
- Allows us to pinpoint **energy deposits** with fine resolution.

However:

- Energy reconstruction from 2D views is not unique.
- E.G: Z plase has 1 active projection → 3 voxels.