



Models of Particle Signatures in KM3NeT ORCA

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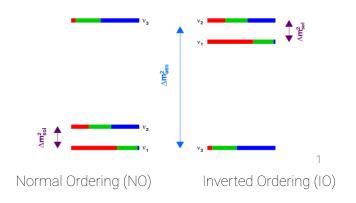
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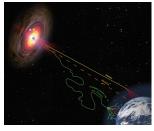
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KM3NeT's goal: What is the Neutrino Mass Ordering (NMO)?





Certain extrasolar objects accelerate particles to high energies, which are called *cosmic rays*.

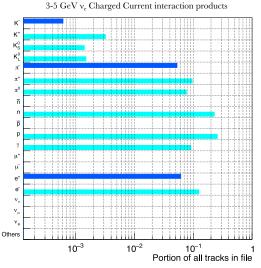
Cosmic rays collide with the Earth's atmosphere and produce neutrinos.³

Atmospheric neutrinos can travel through the entire Earth virtually unaffected, causing a ubiquitous flux.

² Artist's impression by HAP / A. Chantelauze

³ [Molerach and Roulet, 2018][Honda et al., 1995]

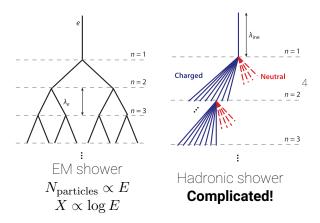
Atmospheric neutrinos can interact in water and create *product* particles.



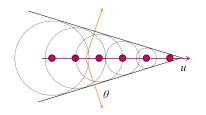
Neutral current → hadronic particles.

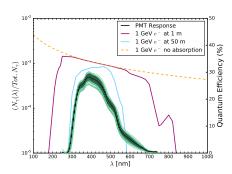
Charged current → lepton + hadronic particles

Product particles from neutrino interactions produce more particles in *showers*



⁴Diagram from [Engel, 2011]

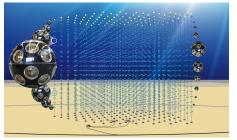




Charged particles emit Cherenkov light in water.

This light is emitted at an angle θ , and can be seen by Photomultiplier tubes $(PMT)^5$

 $^{^{5}}$ Diagram from [Alaeian, 2014]





KM3Net ORCA

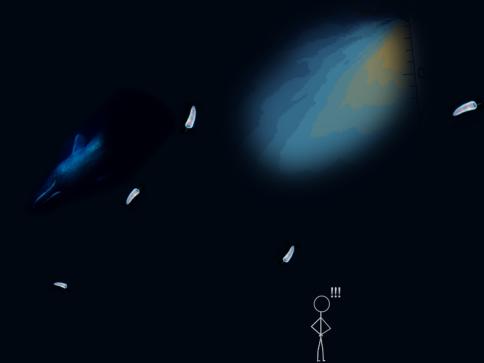
⁶ 68 000 PMTs.

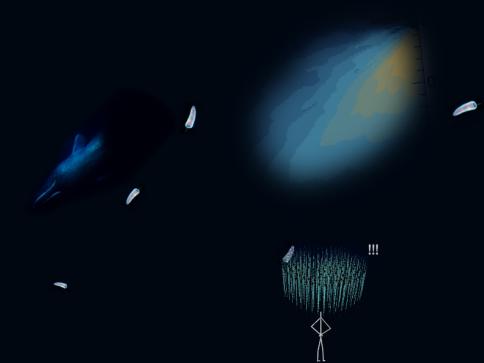
 $0.004 \, \mathrm{km^3}$















What do different particles look like to ORCA?



Aims of this work

- \circ Create model of light signatures in ORCA from u interaction products.
- Use models for Monte Carlo simulation shortcut.
- \circ Use models for reconstruction of particle showers and ν events.

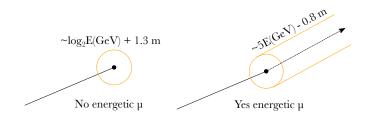
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Current models lump all events into showers or tracks.

- o Only large scale differences used
- Simplified energy scaling

There is more stuff going on inside! Can we exploit details?

→ Create models of different

product particles

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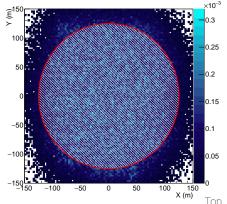
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view of simulated interaction vertices and ORCA outline.

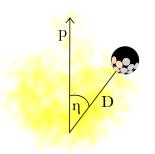
Start off with simulated sample of ν -events in ORCA

Propagator and hit simulator is GEANT4 based **KM3Sim**

 $\sim 250 \, \mathrm{M}$ events

Procedure

- 1. Pick product particle form sample
- 2. $N_{\mathrm{p.e.}}$ of every particle hit gets filled in the $(E_{\mathrm{particle}}, D, \eta, \theta_{\mathrm{PMT}}, \phi_{\mathrm{PMT}}, \Delta t_{\mathrm{arrival}})$ bin of 6d histogram.
- 3. Interpolate histogram and expand $\langle N_{\rm p.e.} \rangle$ into Poisson distribution to obtain the **p.e. Pattern PDF** (PEPP).
- 4. Repeat process for each particle to obtain each particle PEPP.



The PEPP tells you the probability of obtaining a p.e. given particle type and position in phase space

"It's basically an interpolation of state of the art particle interaction modelling in water." – me

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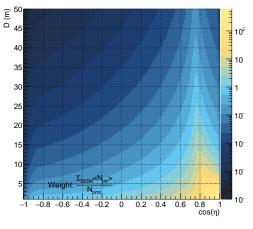
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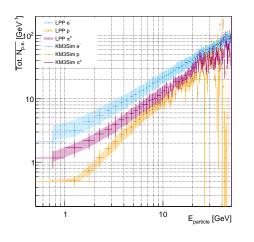


- 1. In water, $\cos \theta_{\mathrm{Cher.}} \simeq 0.75$ for $\beta \simeq 1$, explaining the peak.
- For 30 GeV electron, expect an EM shower of ~ 6 m.

30GeV Electron PEPP

PEPPs agree with theoretical expectations

PEPP Monte Carlo Simulations



Comparison of KM3Sim and PEPP MC, error bars and bands are for $\frac{1}{10}\sigma$.

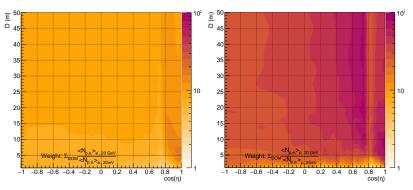
Excellent match for

$$\overline{TotN_{\rm p.e.}} \equiv \sum^{N_{\rm events}} N_{\rm p.e.}.$$

PEPPs agree with original Monte Carlo simulation

PEPPs Energy Dependence

Left (right): $\frac{20 \text{ GeV}}{2 \text{ GeV}}$ electron (proton)

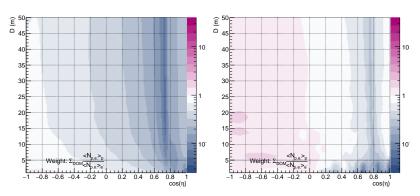


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PEPPs EM/Hadronic Comparison

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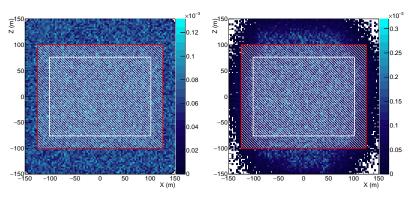
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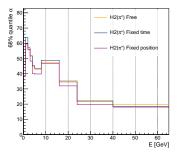
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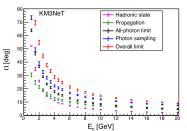
- 1. > 4 hits
- 2. Within inner half volume of ORCA



Before hit number cut

After hit number cut





Single hadronic shower \equiv all ν -interaction secondaries minus leading lepton.

Angle difference

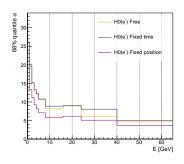
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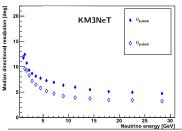
Intrinsic limit paper⁸shows **best possible resolution** of ORCA.

Not directly comparable due to hit cut, but gives an idea.







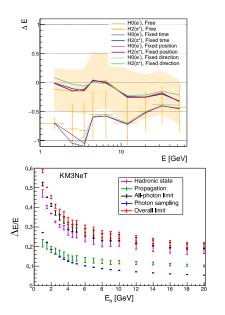


⁸[Adrian-Martinez et al., 2017]

Single electron.

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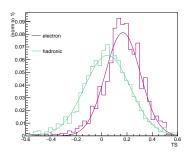
Resolution reproduces that of LOI

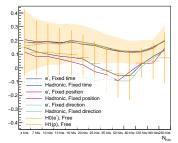


Single hadronic shower energy difference $\Delta E \equiv \frac{E_{h,\mathrm{true}} - E_{h,\mathrm{reco.}}}{E_{h,\mathrm{true}}}$, where $E_h \equiv E_{\nu} - E_{\mathrm{lep.}}$.

Energy difference resolution for low energies, close to intrinsic resolution for >4 hits.

 π_+ best at reconstructing hadronic showers, supposedly due to high presence of $\pi_{+/-}$ in hadronic showers.





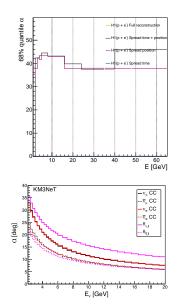
Identifying hadronic shower possible?

Top: 25 - 35 hits.

25 - 80 hit region shows promise for 1σ separation.

At higher energies, EM shower ≃ hadronic shower → no distinguishing power.

Reconstruction Neutrino Event

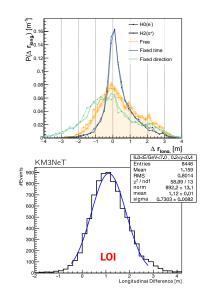


 u_e -charged current angle difference.

Assuming 3 m position resolution and 5 ns timing resolution

Close to intrinsic limits at low energies.

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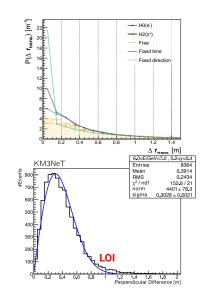
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- Produced models of the signal of various particles in ORCA, PEPPs.
- PEPPs reproduce KM3Sim results with some deviations in timing.
- Reconstructions with PEPPs is possible, and competitive at best.

Next steps

- o Investigate time arrival deviations from KM3Sim.
- Optimise PEPP reconstruction for full neutrino events.
- Reconstruct Bjorken-Y, improve sensitivity of ORCA to NMO.
- Include K-40 background + PMT response, next stage of tests for reconstruction.

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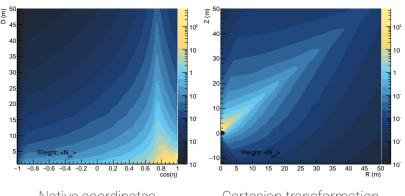
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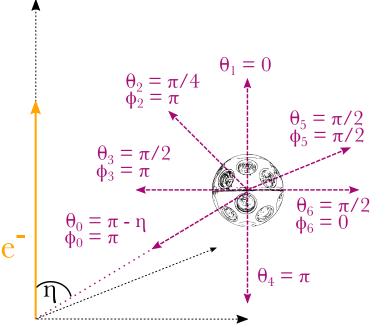
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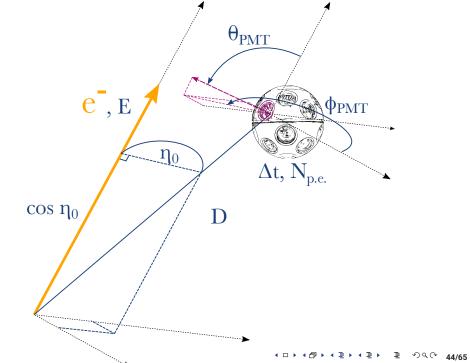


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Cartesian transformation

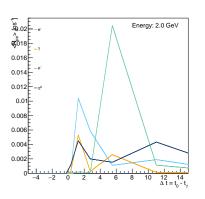
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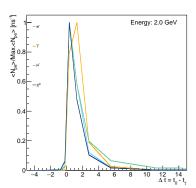




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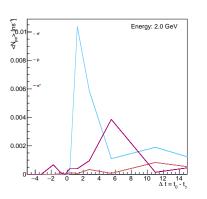
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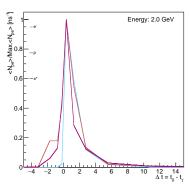




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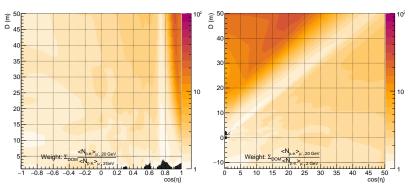
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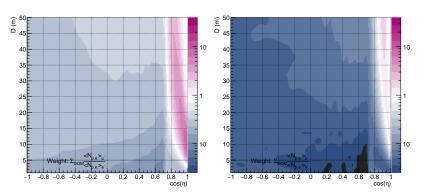


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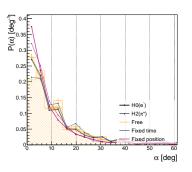


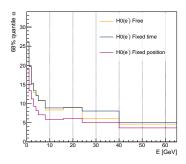
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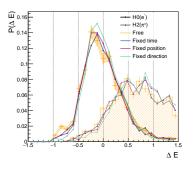
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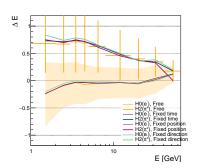




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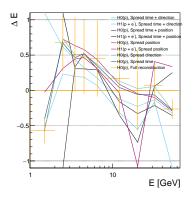


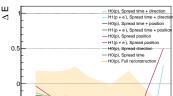


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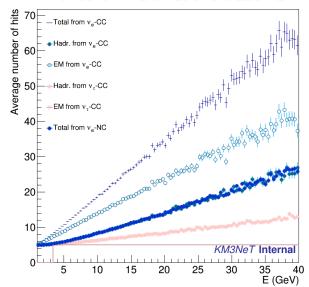
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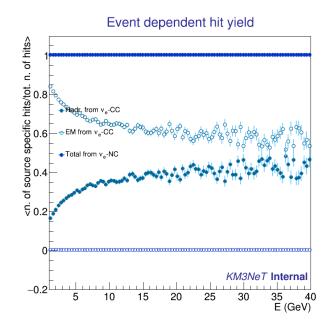


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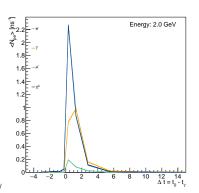
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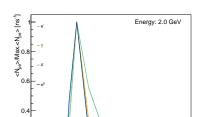


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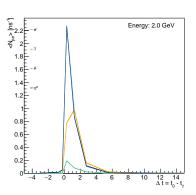


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Normalised view

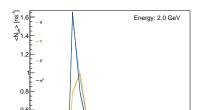


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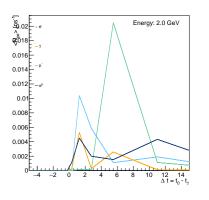
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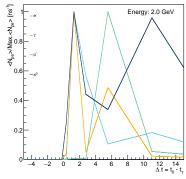
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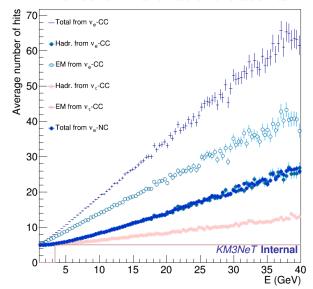




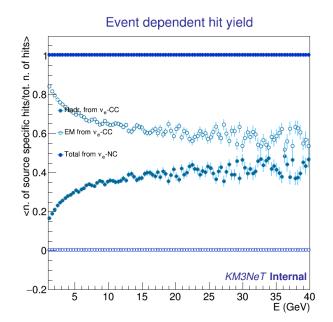
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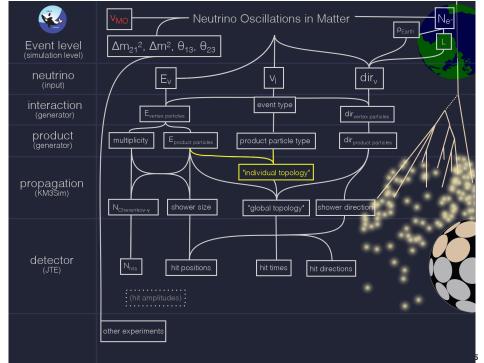
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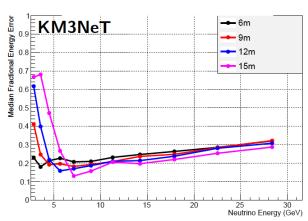
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Used ORCA 1-100GeV all flavours ν -interaction samples



Orca Energy resolution



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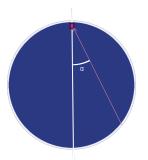
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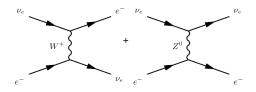
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 - $\circ \rightarrow$ known by neutrino direction

Figure: Parametrization of electrons in path using the Earth



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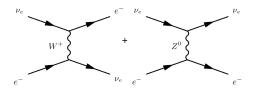
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Motivation: neutrino energy

The neutrino energy affects the following outcomes:

- The size of the event in the detector (PMT positions)
- \circ The number of $\gamma_{cherenkov}$

Signatures are visible in the detector hit pattern.

What affects the hit pattern?

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Disclaimer: not *really* individual since particle themselves decay/re-interact into other particles.

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Product particle types

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Product particle directions