Stereo Calorimetry at JUNO

Controlling Systematics by Measuring Scintillation Light with two Redundant PMT Systems

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JUNO: an unprecedented Liquid Scintillator Detector



Detect $\bar{\nu}_e$ from Nuclear Reactor

Goal: Determine Neutrino Mass **Ordering** by performing a

	DETECTOR TARGET MASS	ENERGY RESOLUTION
KamLAND	1000 t	6%/√E
Daya Bay	8+22 t	
Reno	16 t	8%/√E
Daya Bay	20 t 🌙	
Borexino	300t	5%/√E
JUNO	20000 t	3%/√E



Charge Reconstruction and Energy Accuracy

Large Liquid Scintillator (LS) volume and large PMT surface (20" diameter) imply unprecedented PMT dynamic range making **charge reconstruction** challenging

Noise and overshoot can easily introduce charge non-linearities when many photoelectrons pile-up at the PMT anode



Photoelectrons per PMT (20")









Detector response is nonuniform. Map it using calibration source (eg. ⁶⁰Co)

Such map embeds charge non-linearities which are energy dependent

When map is applied at different energy does not work properly



Stereo Calorimetry Concept: Calibration & Physics

To **disentangle** charge non-linearities from other **response** effects (eg. nonlinear LS light yield, non-uniform detector response) JUNO implements a system of **3**" **PMTs** whose mean illumination is low enough for them be always working in single-PE (photon counting) regime.



Stereo Calorimetry Implementation



Cross-calibrate the response of the two systems to better control the systematic uncertainties associated to light detection and energy reconstruction. Use both calibration sources and oscillation parameters as standard candles.





HZC Photonics (XP72B22) Production rate: 2000/month Gain (at JUNO): 3 10⁶ QE x CE (at 420nm): 24% SPE Resolution: 35% Dark Rate at 1/4 PE: 1kHz Transit Time Spread: 5 ns