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with few additions from my side



- which physics measurements can be achieved (and on which time scale)?
- what is the optimal configuration to achieve these?
  - effective volume
  - angular and energy resolution
  - veto power and background rejection
- testbed for the development of statistical analyses for mass hierarchy





E. Akhmedov,, S. Razzaque, and A. Smirnov, http://arxiv.org/1205.7071

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- benefits from experience with IceCube and DeepCore
- part of icetray
- neutrino generator: genie instead of nugen
- direct photon propagation
- event weighting to account for oscillations and atmospheric spectrum





### **CROSS SECTIONS COMPARISON**



apologize, I could not find the reference ...



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A "textbook" picture from the BEBC bubble chamber. A neutrino interacts with a proton in the liquid hydrogen to produce a negative muon, a proton and an excited charmed meson (D<sup>\*</sup>). The D<sup>\*</sup> decays to a charmed D<sup>0</sup> meson plus a positive pion and the D<sup>0</sup> itself decays to a negative kaon and another positive pion. After stopping in the liquid the kaon interacts with another proton to produce a hyperon.



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PINGU v3 - Top View





-50

0

50

X/m

100

150

200

PINGU v5 - Top View





- currently using a cut on the number of hits to indicate that the events can be reconstructed
- alternative figures of merit to be investigated in the future
  - effective volume using direct hits (?) (matters for first-guess reconstructions but not so much for high-level ones)
  - effective volume after reconstruction
  - effective volume with benchmark background rejection





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#### First-Guess Reconstruction

seed for

#### Likelihood Reconstruction

These reconstructions do not take the ice properties or the event topology into account.

Possibilities under investigation:

LineFit - straight line fit through the hits ignores Cherenkov cone and scattering SANTA - uses the geometry of the Cherenkov cone and a stringent hit cleaning (as in ANTARES paper) JAMS - a simple pattern recognition algorithm used in AMANDA may apply several llh reconstructions with increasing complexity

using ice properties and event topology

high-end likelihood reconstruction on next slide

# Likelihood Reconstruction of contained events

- Reconstruct the full event:
  - hadronic cascade + muon track
- Use tabulated pdfs for photon arrival times -> best possible use of ice information
- Under comparison and study many different options: from first look energy resolution looks promising, track resolution still problematic .... but tomorrow is another day and things will look differently!





- Fully-functioning simulation framework is set up using the tools and experience of IceCube
- Investigation of different geometries well-under way
- With small muon lengths,
  - we should reconstruct the muon length to measure its energy
  - the cascade forms an important part of the event
- High-Level Reconstruction should take the nature of the events into account