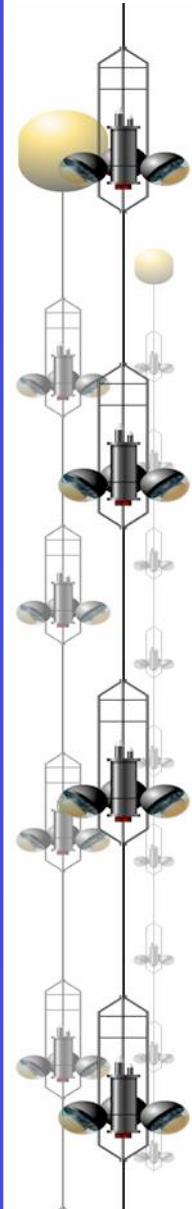
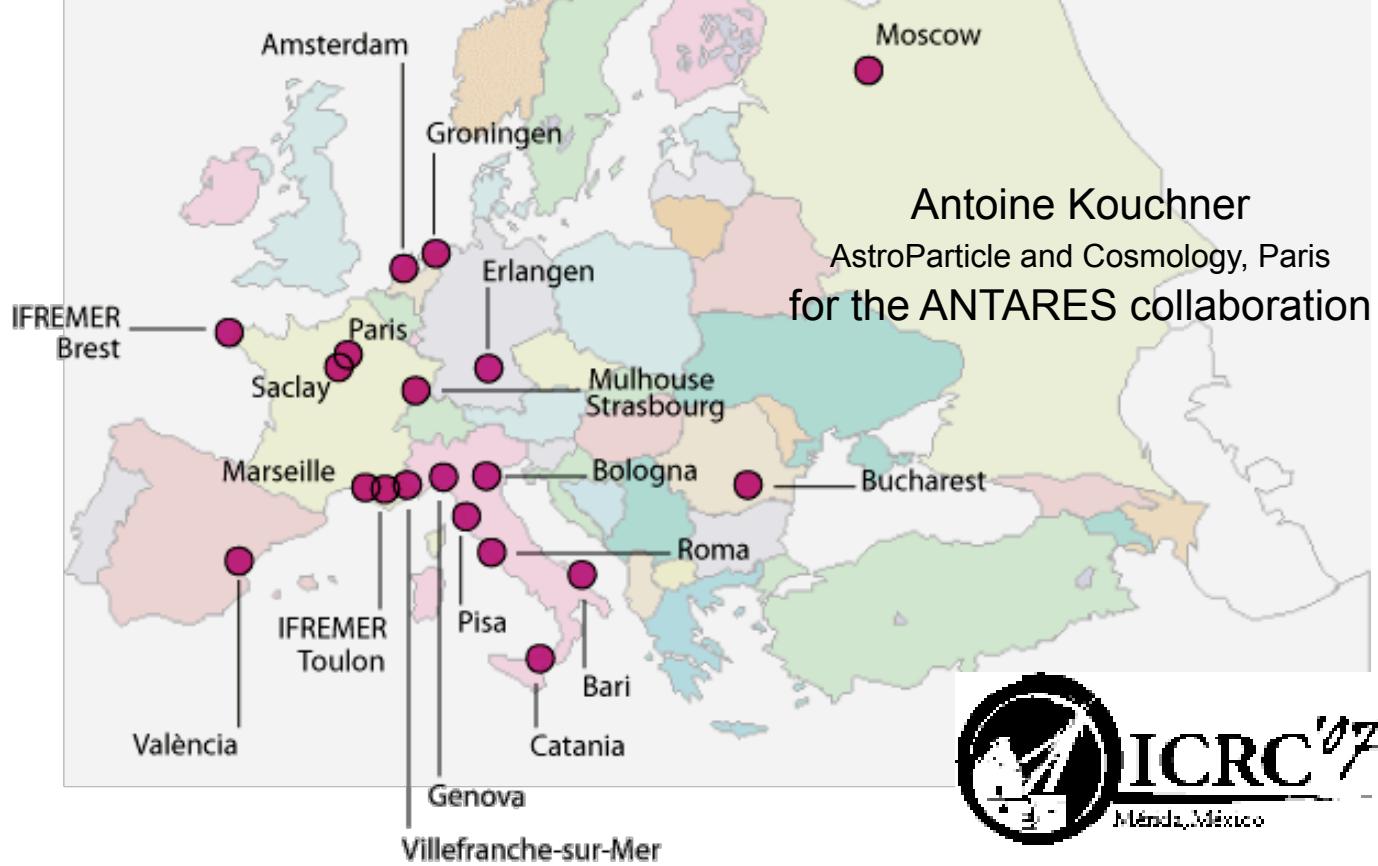




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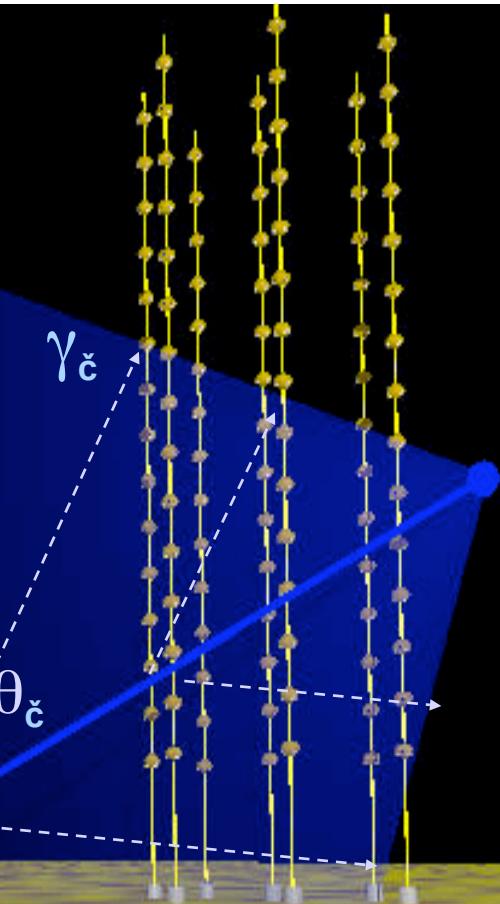
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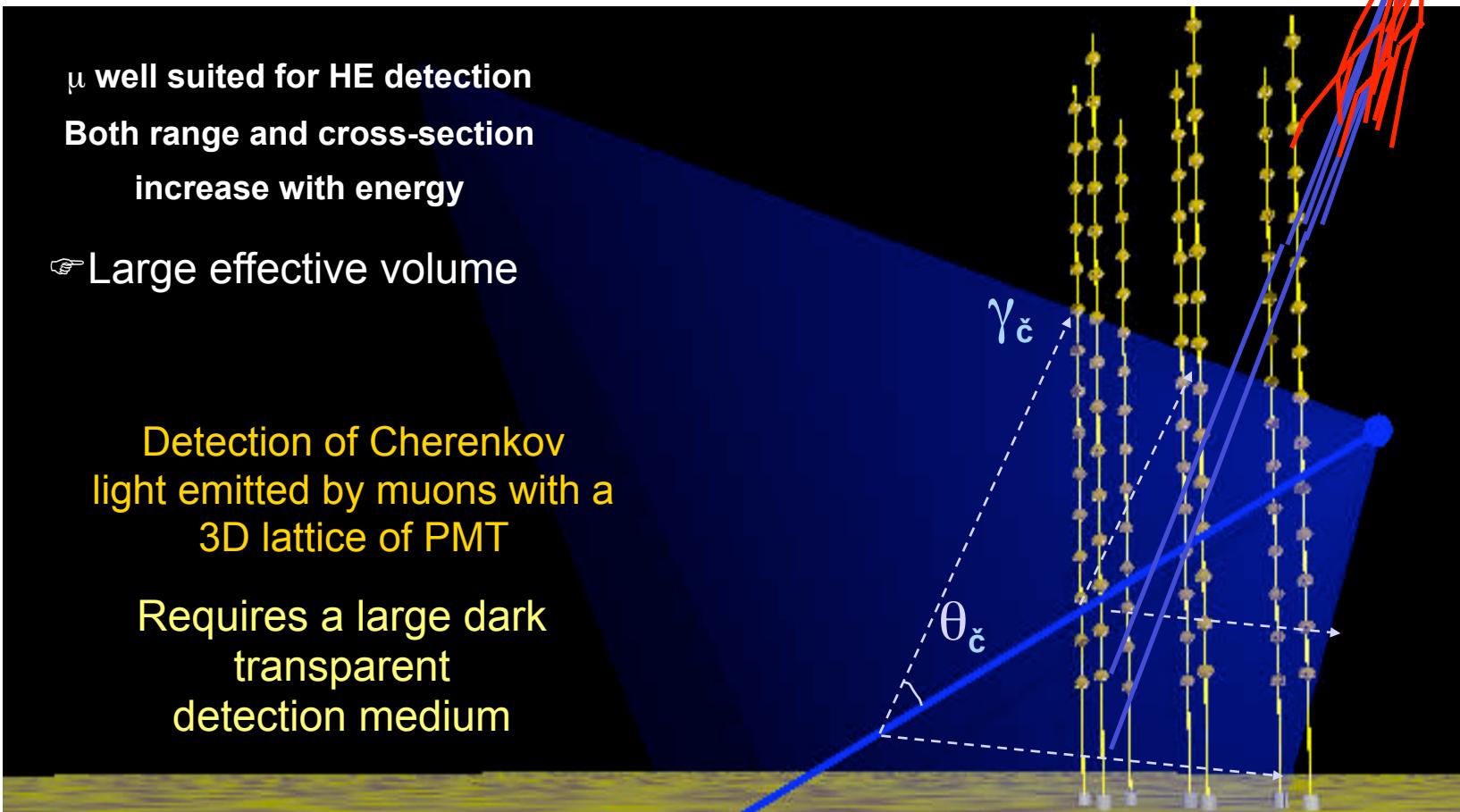
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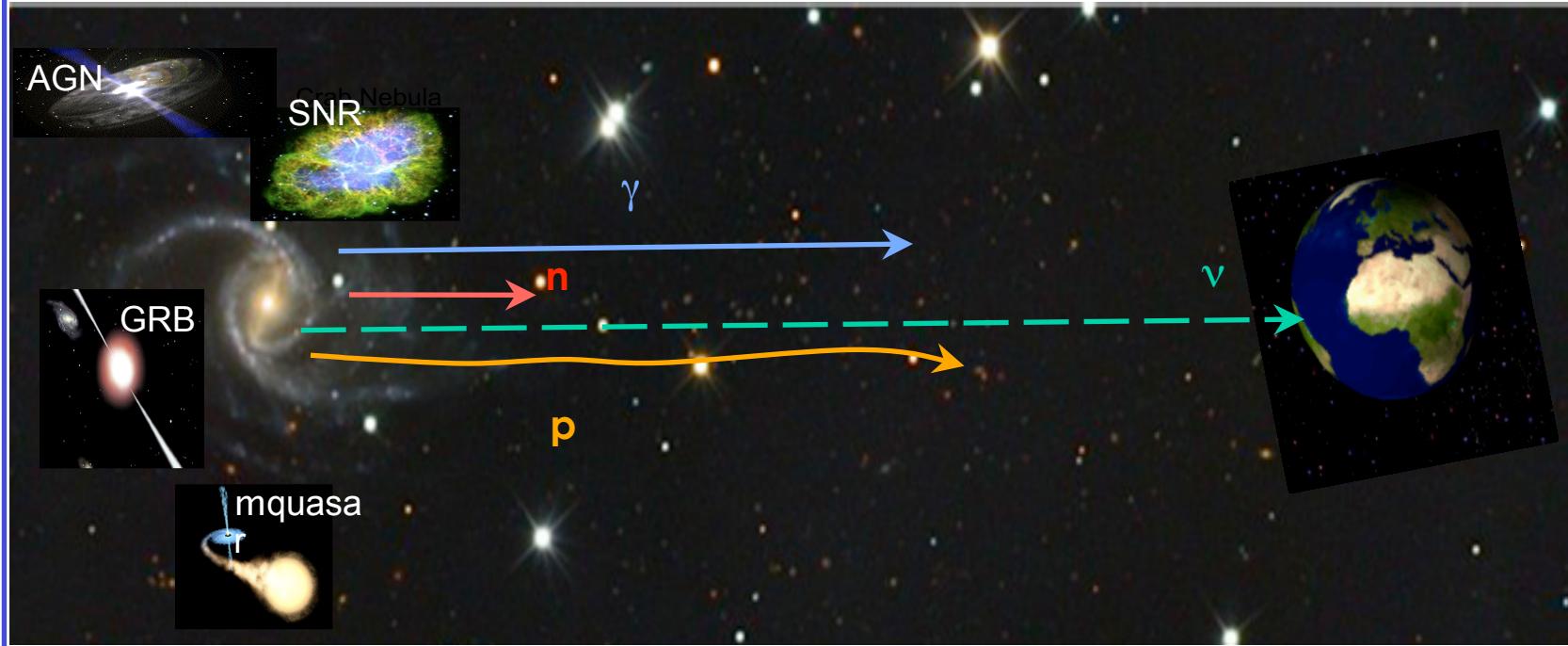
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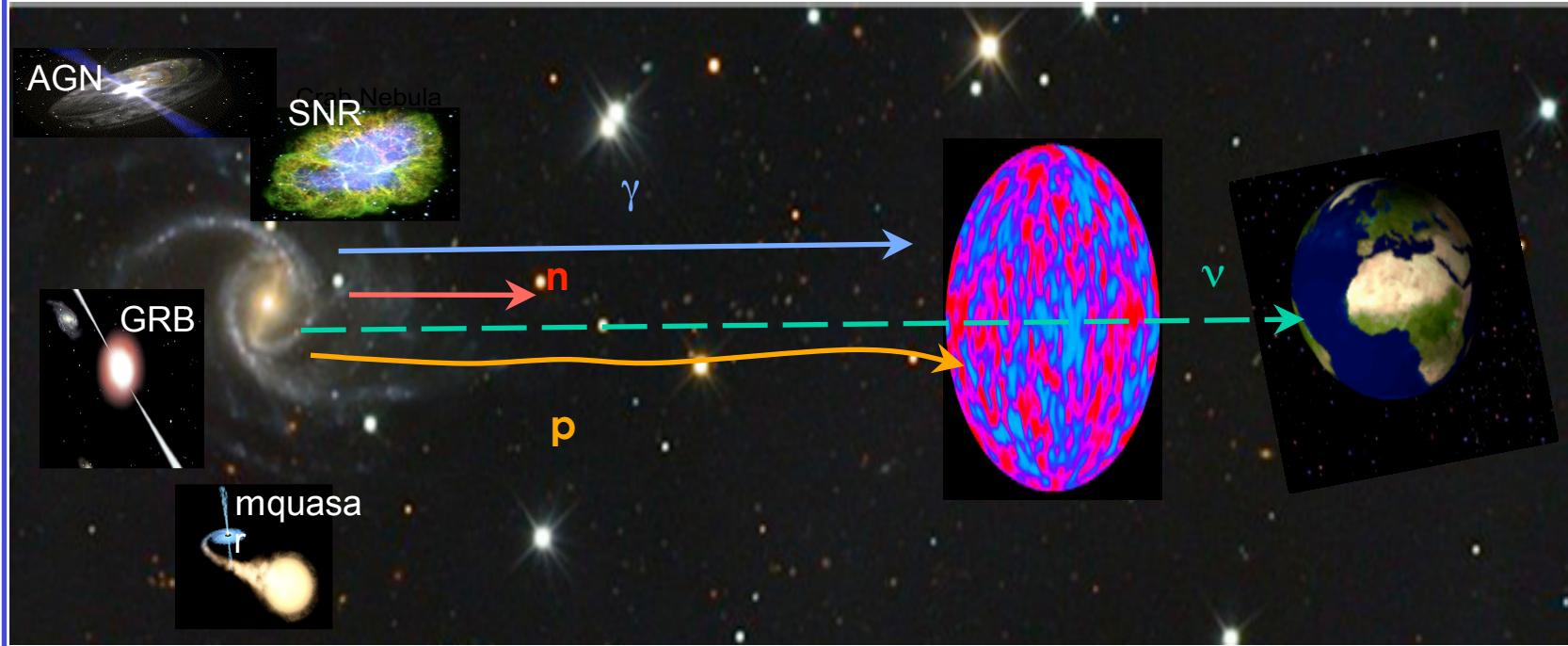
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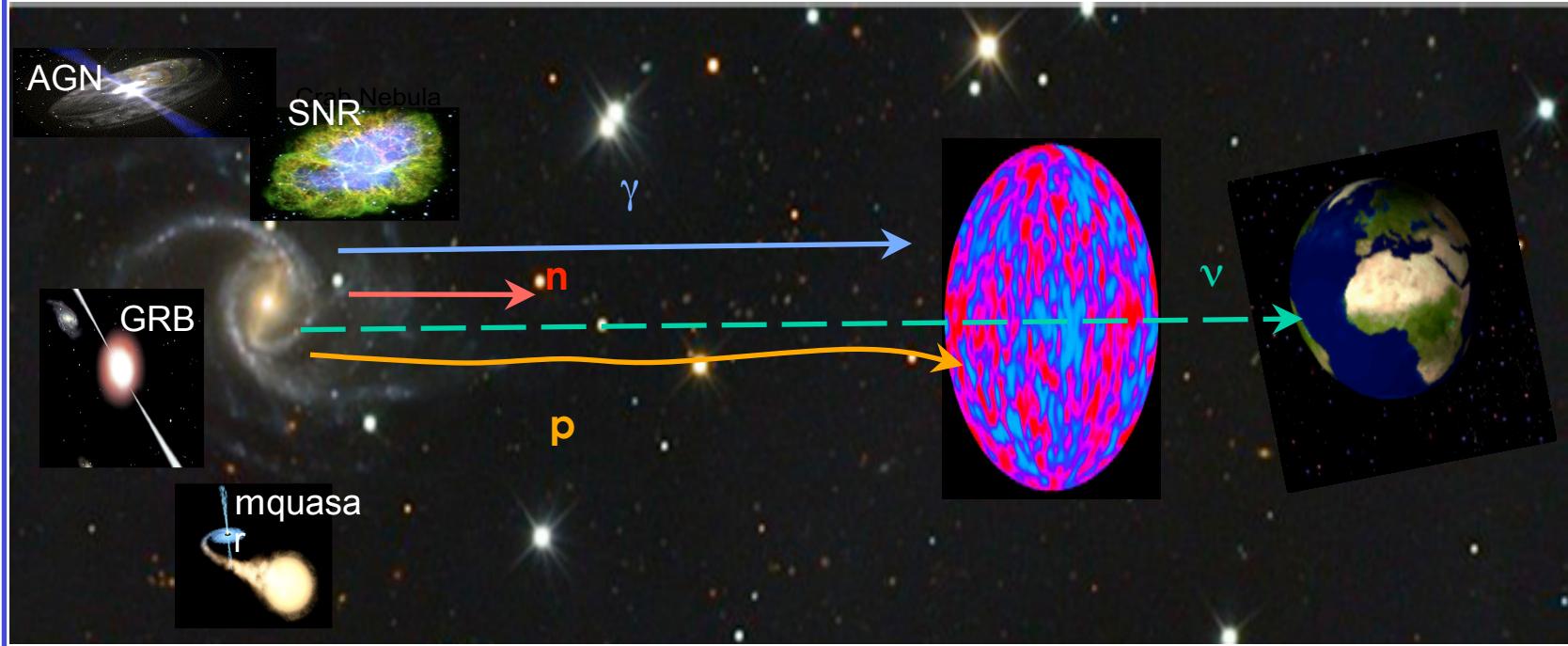
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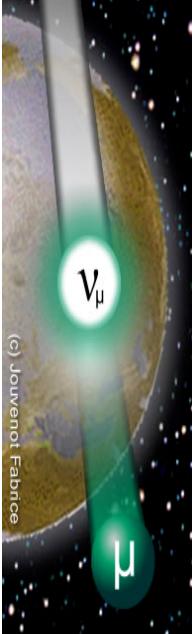
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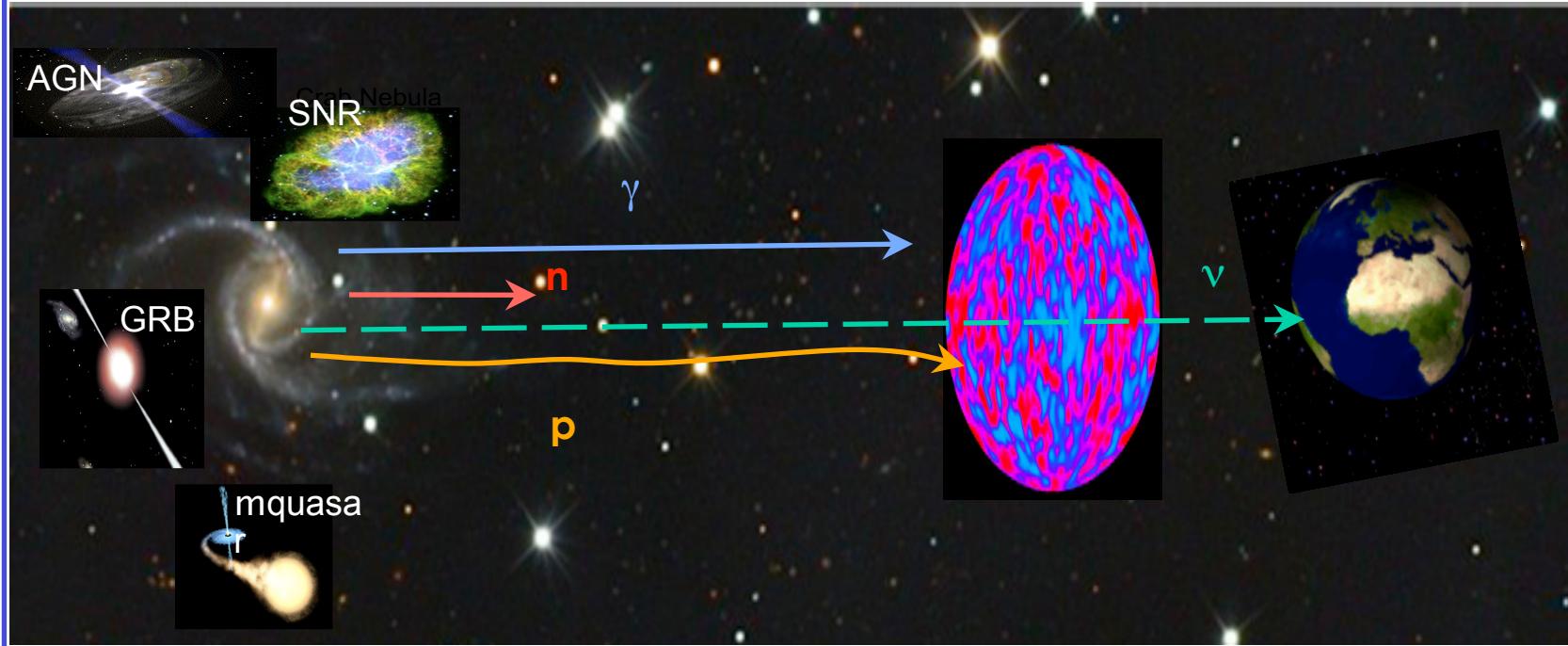
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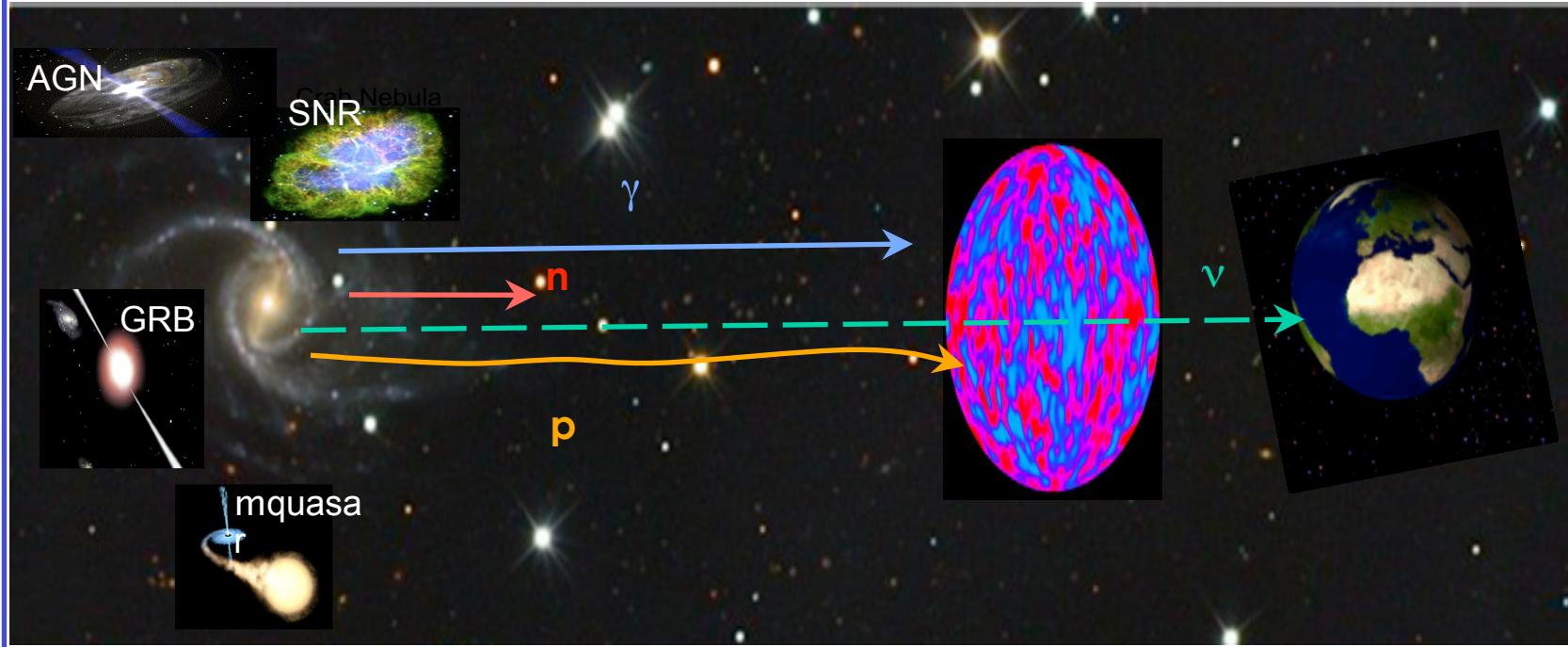
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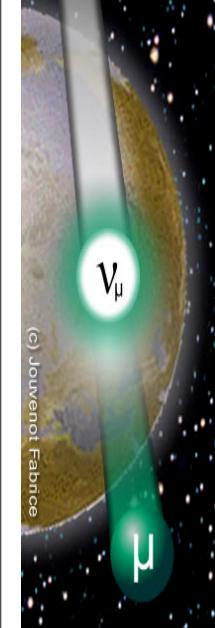
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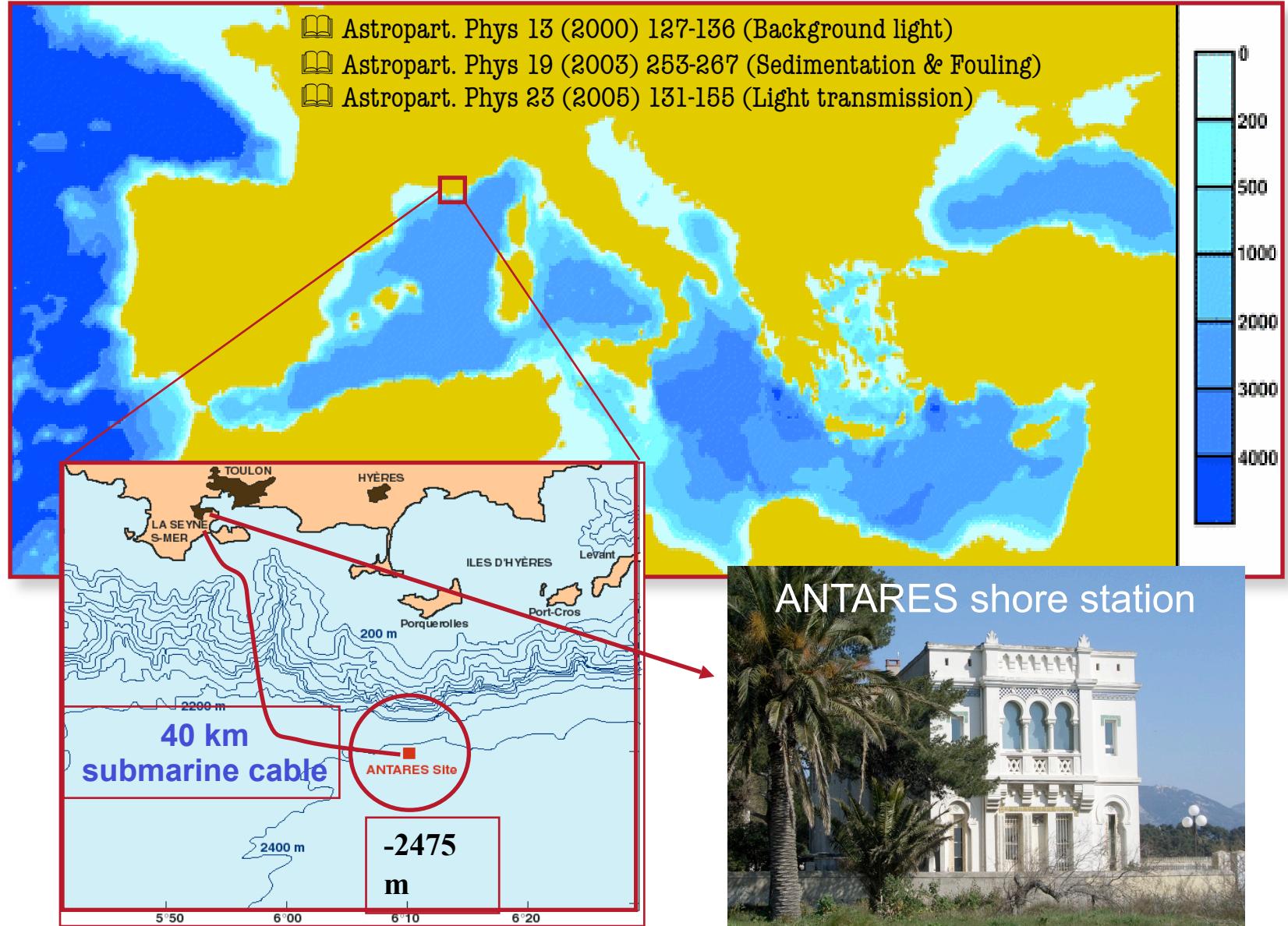
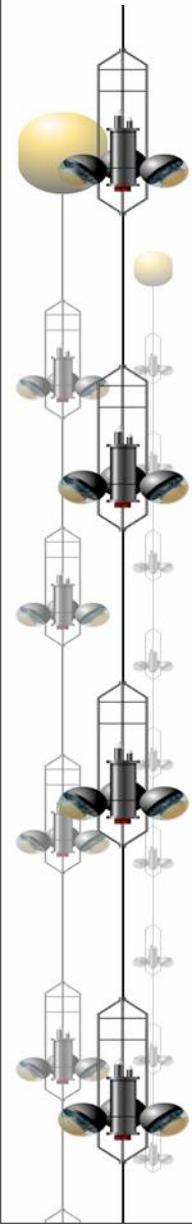
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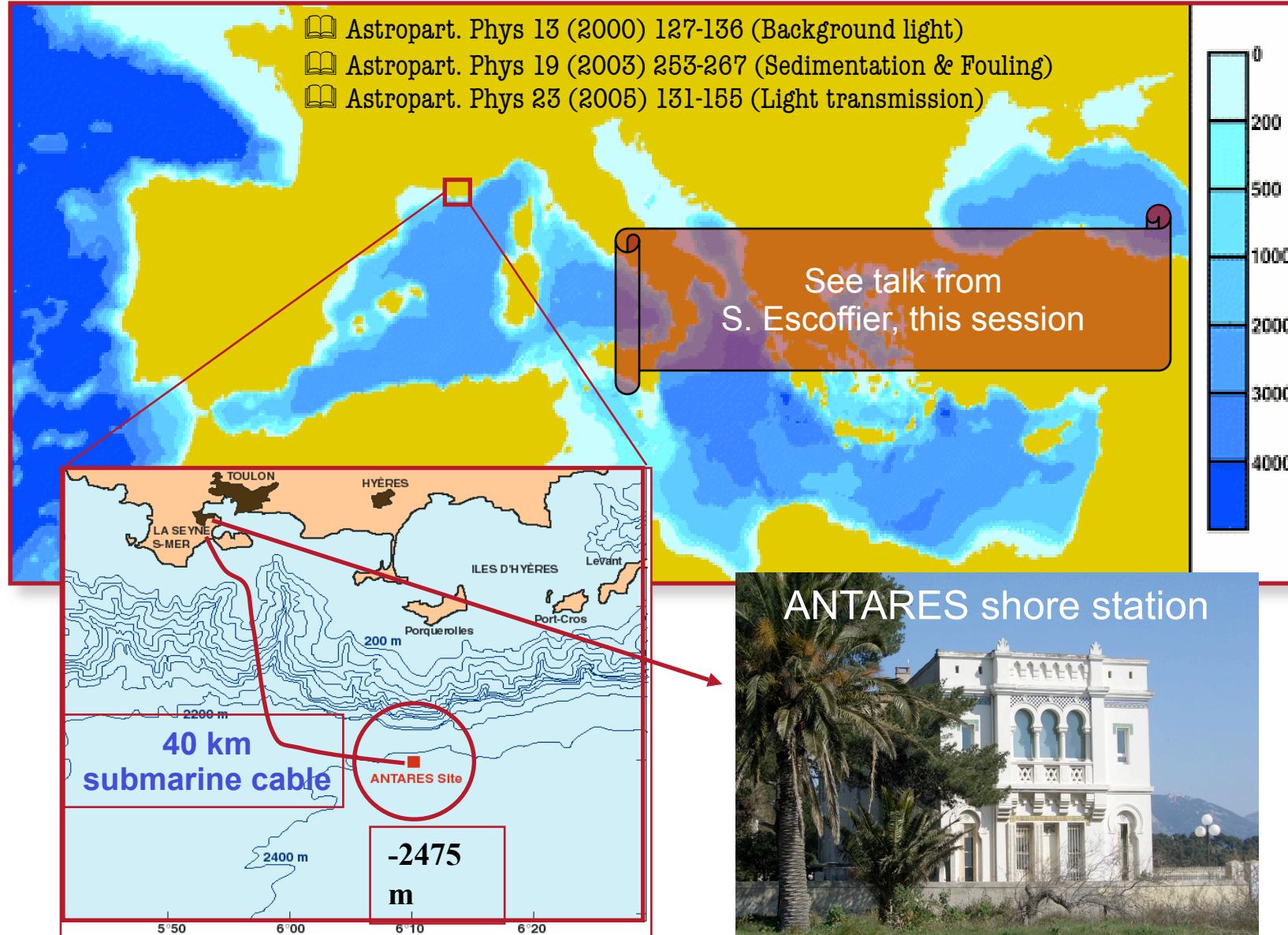
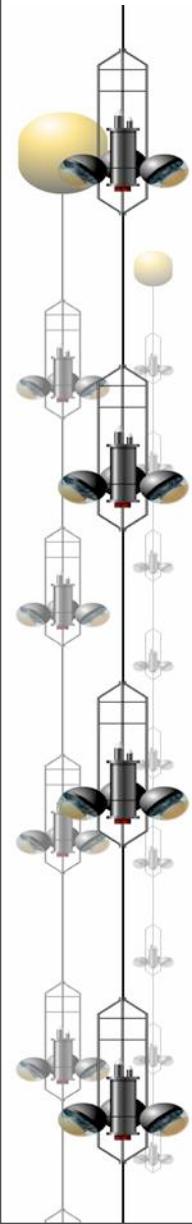


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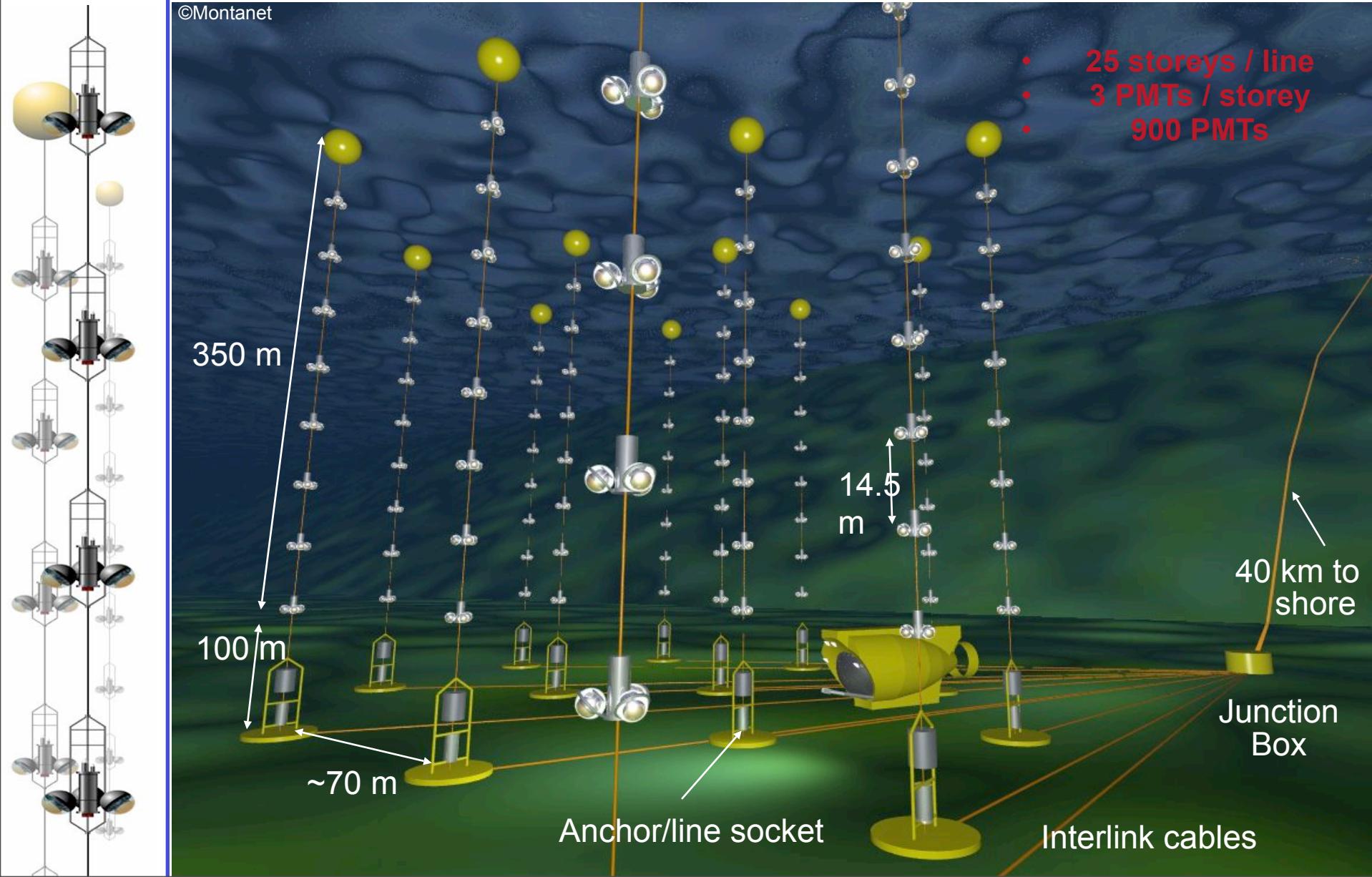


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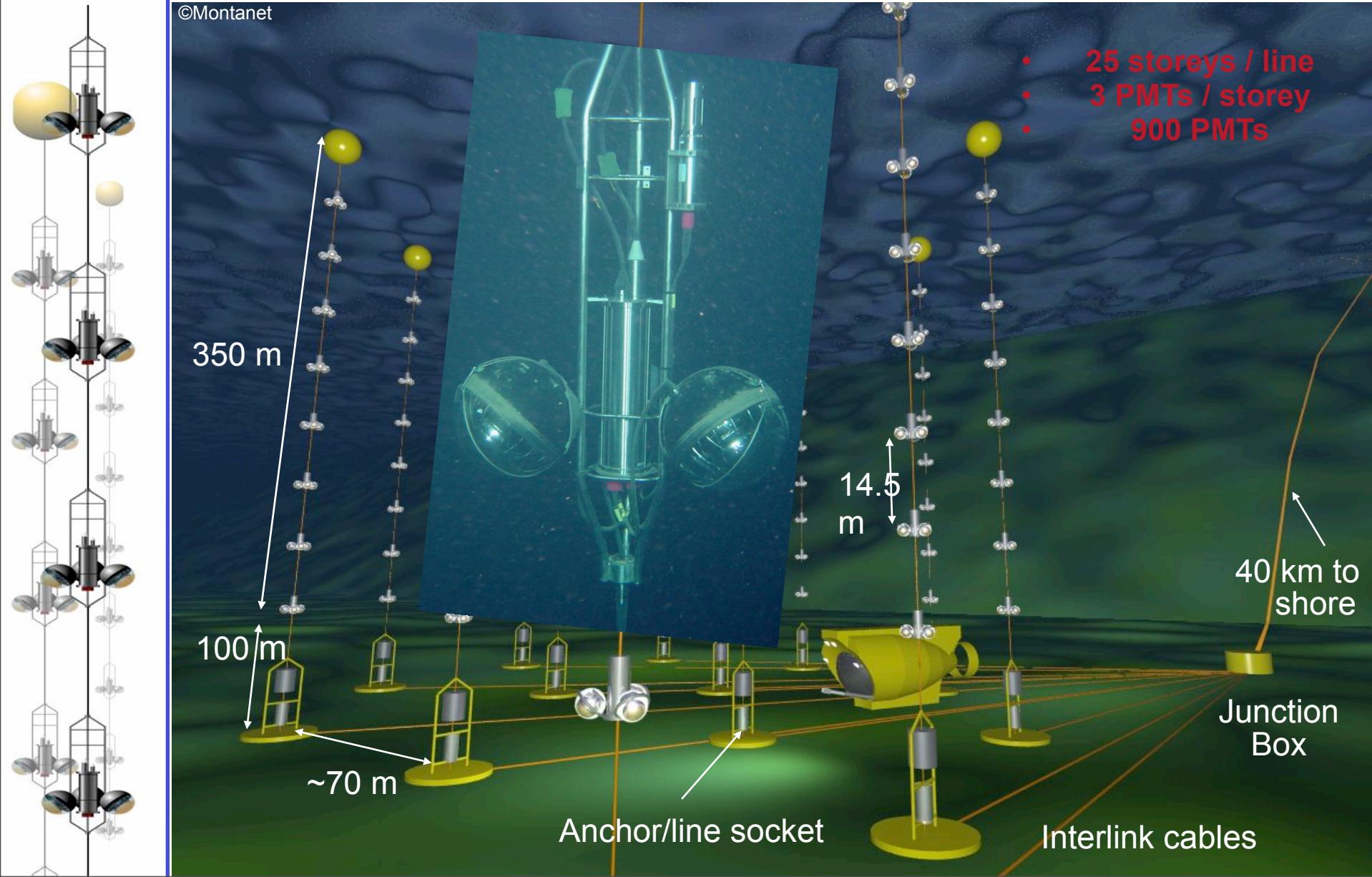


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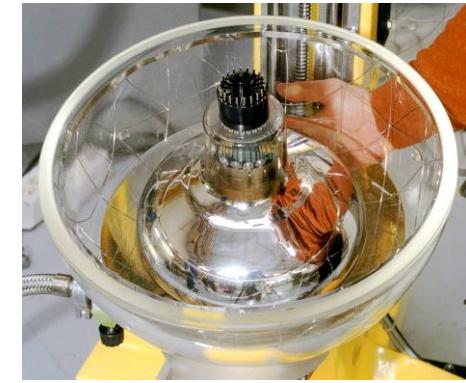
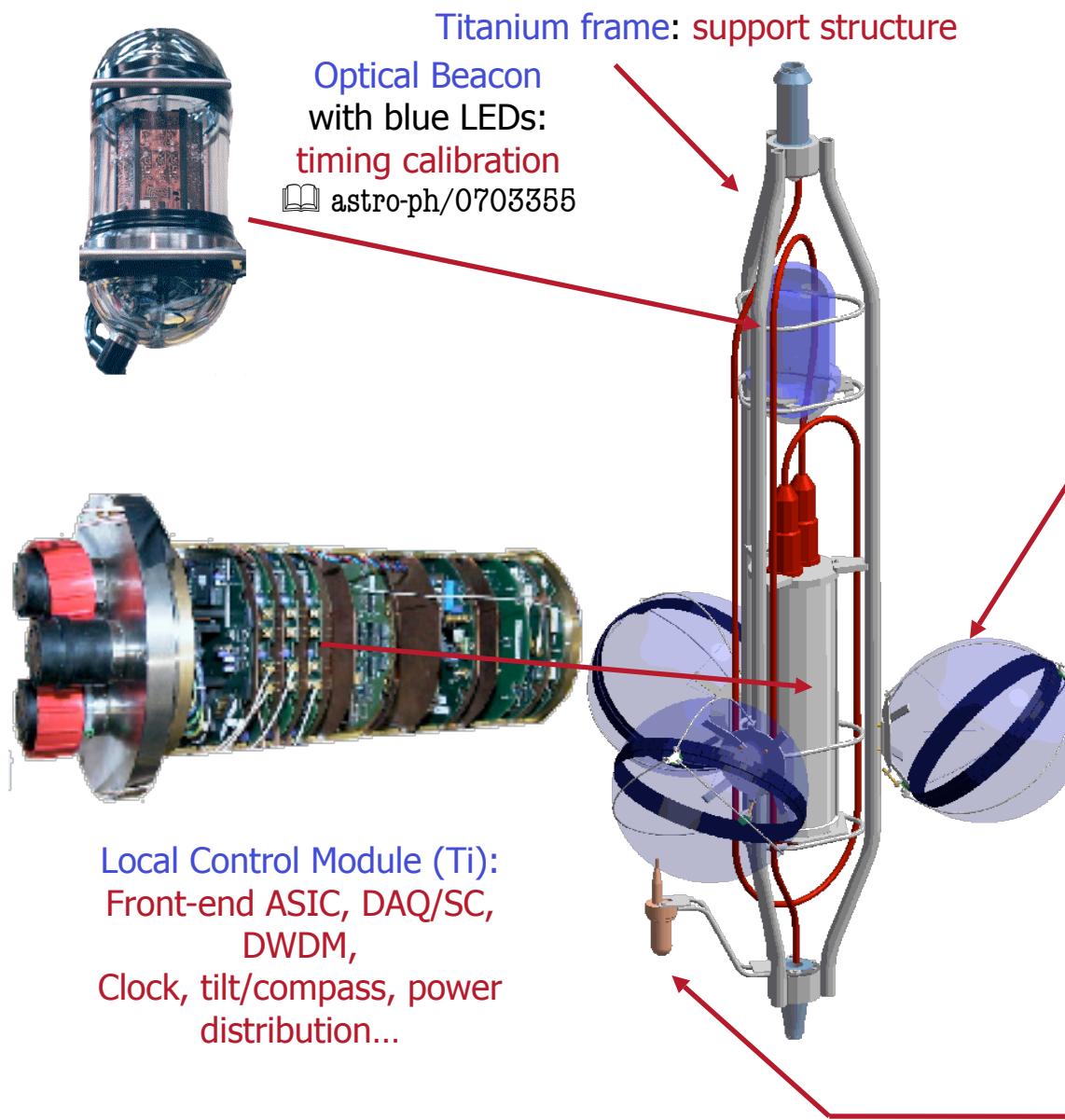
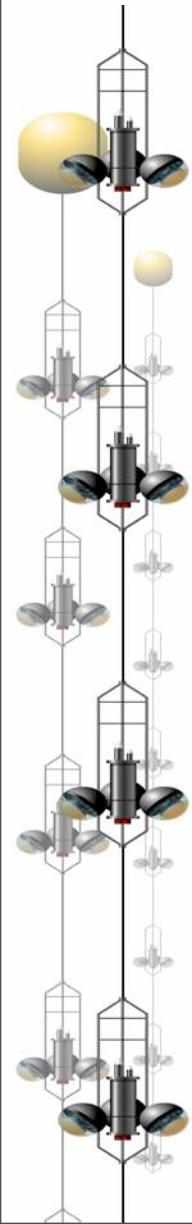


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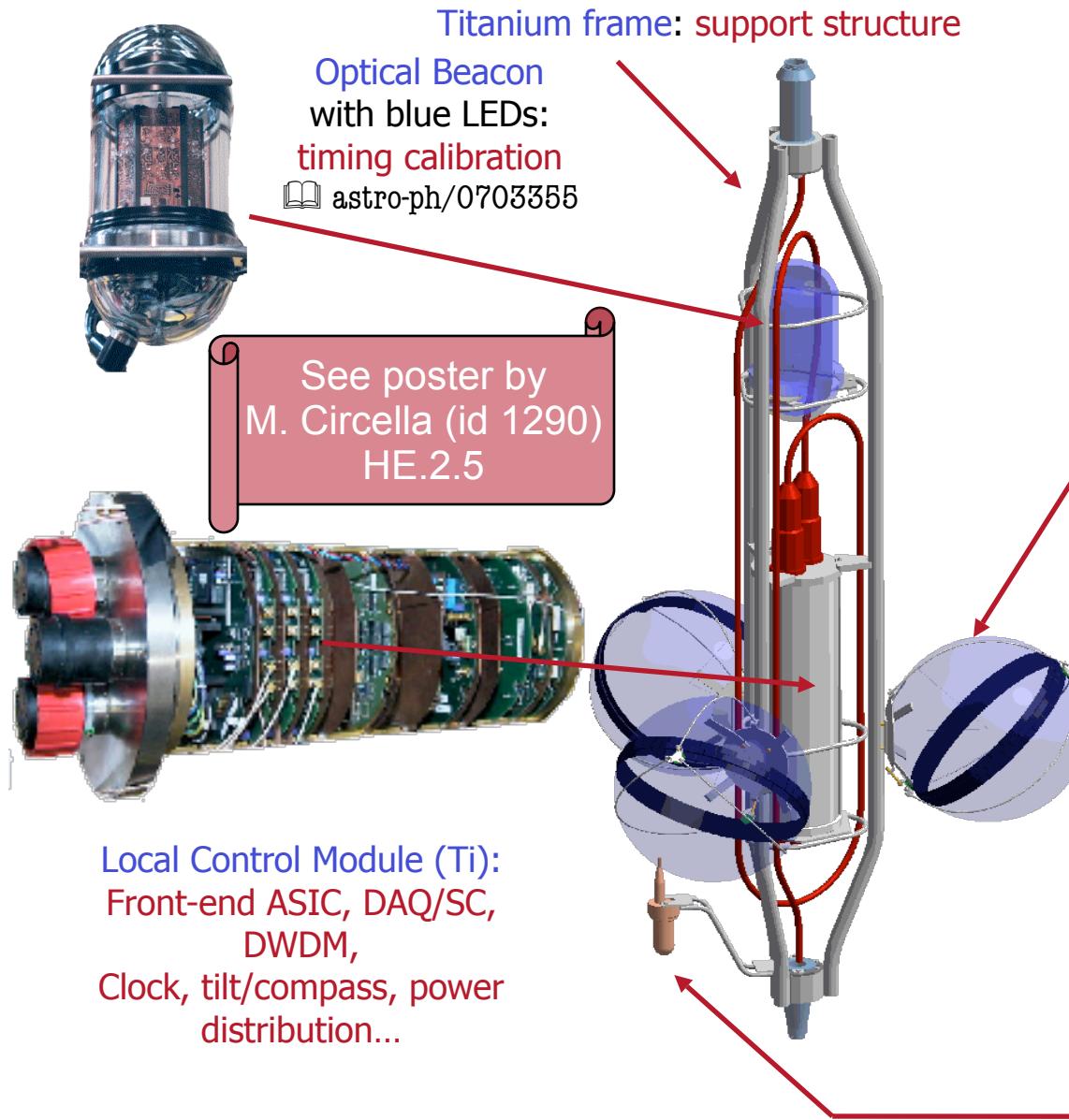
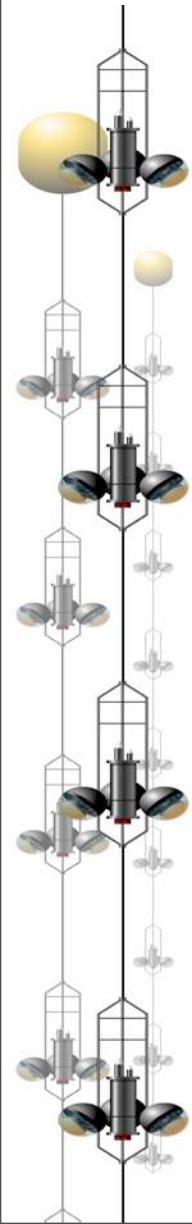
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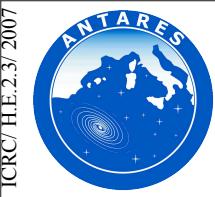
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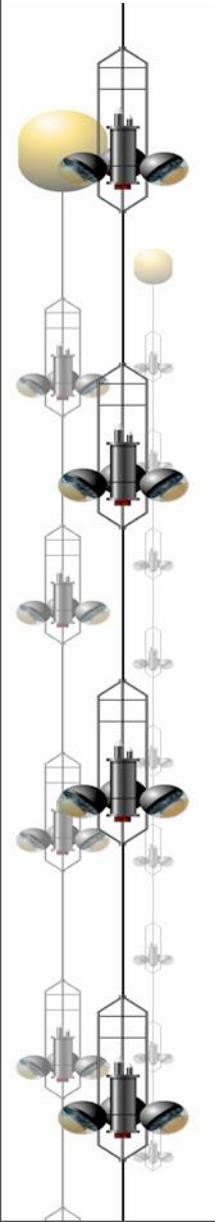
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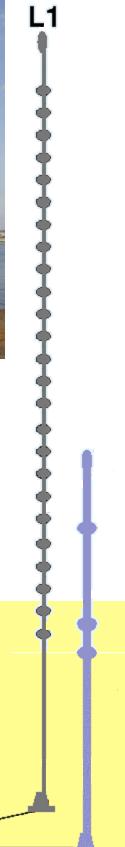
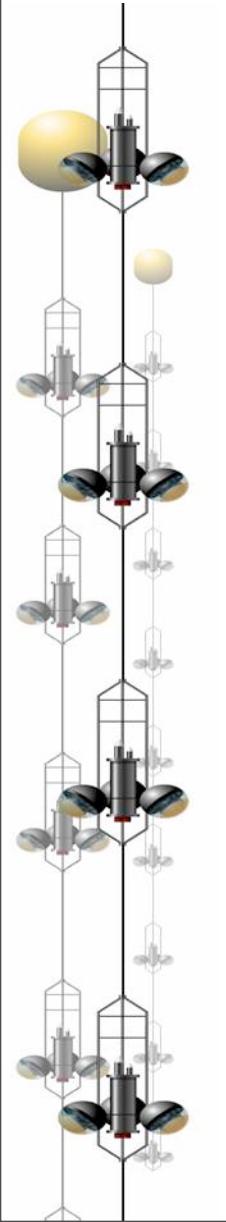
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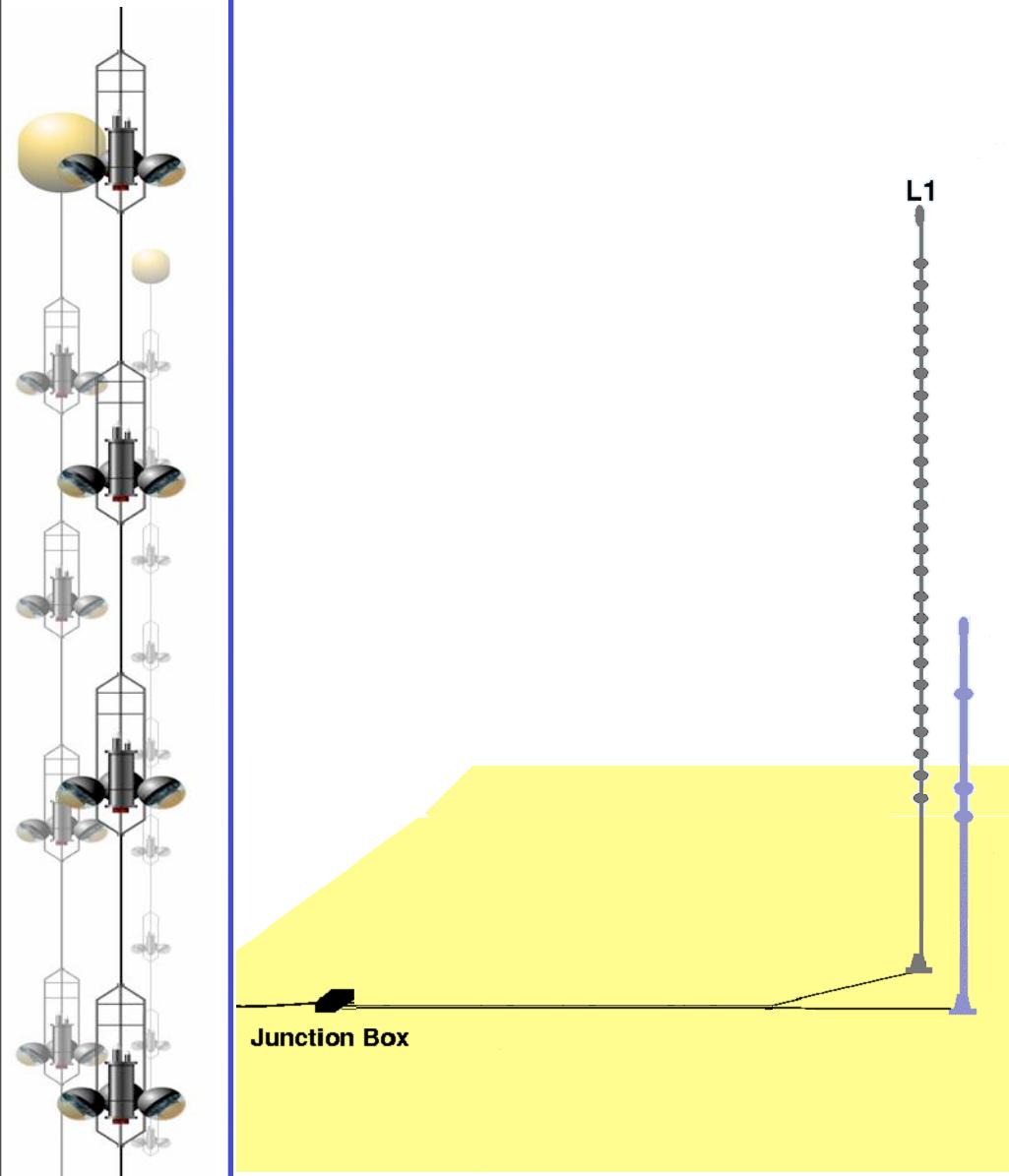
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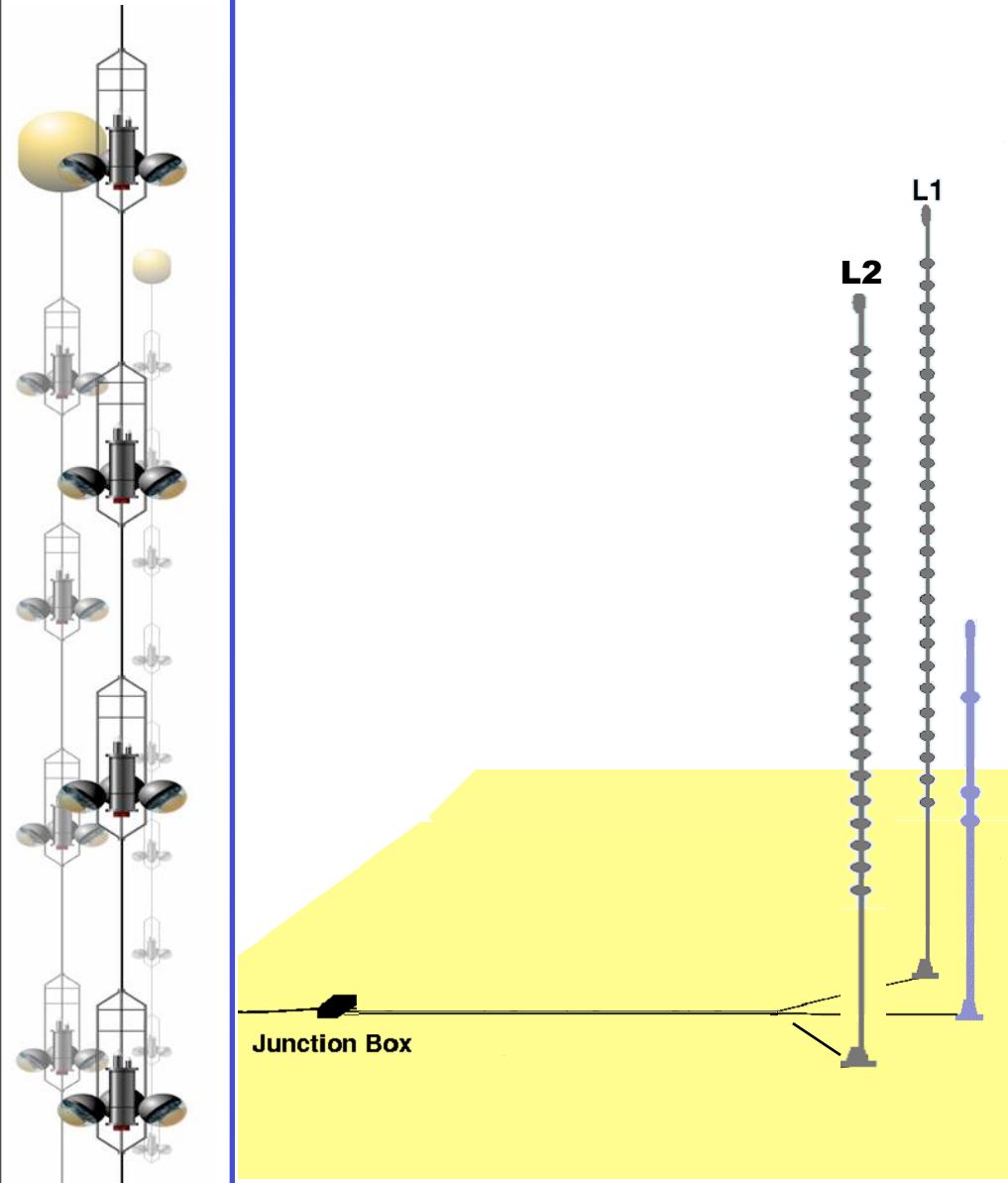
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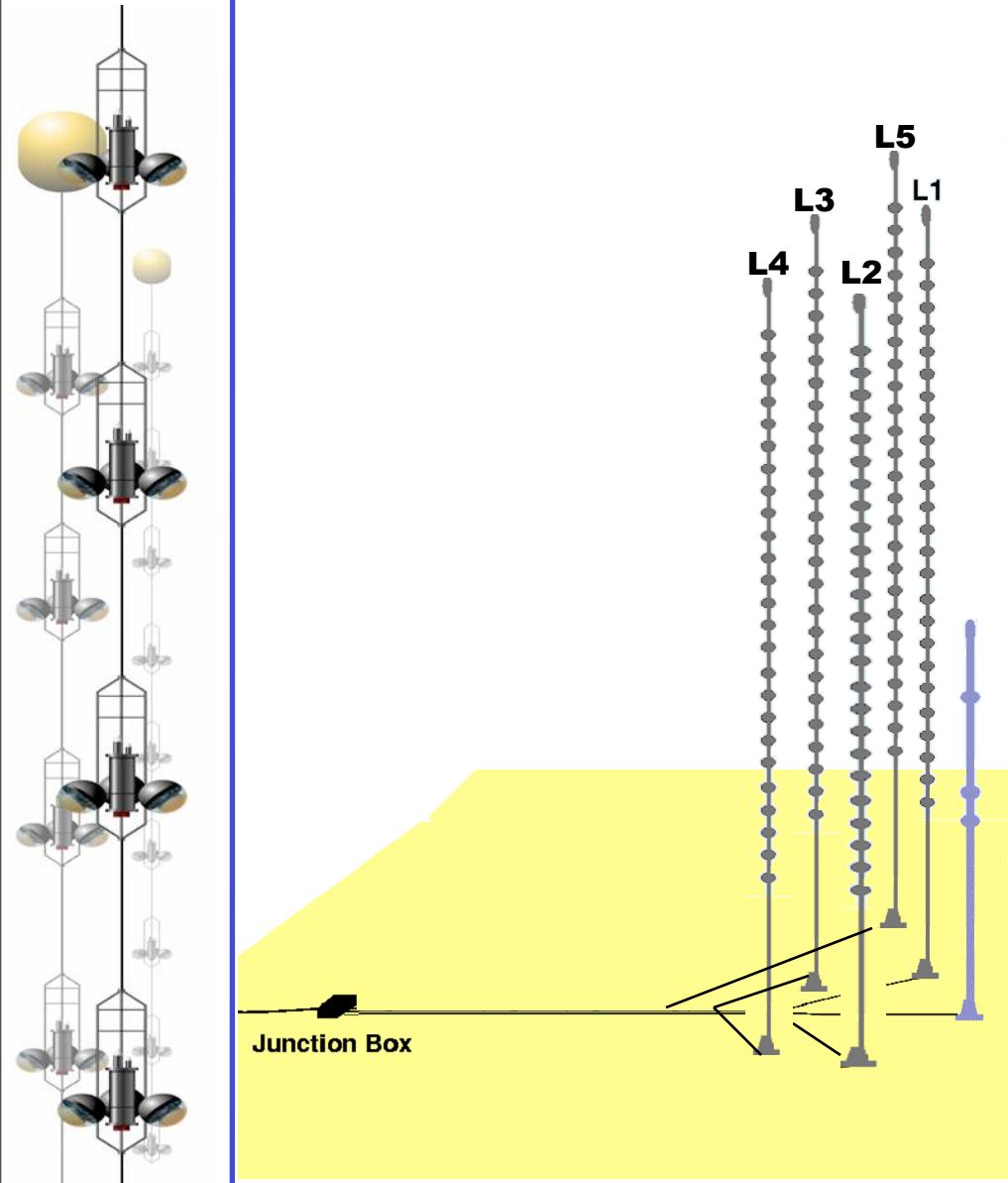
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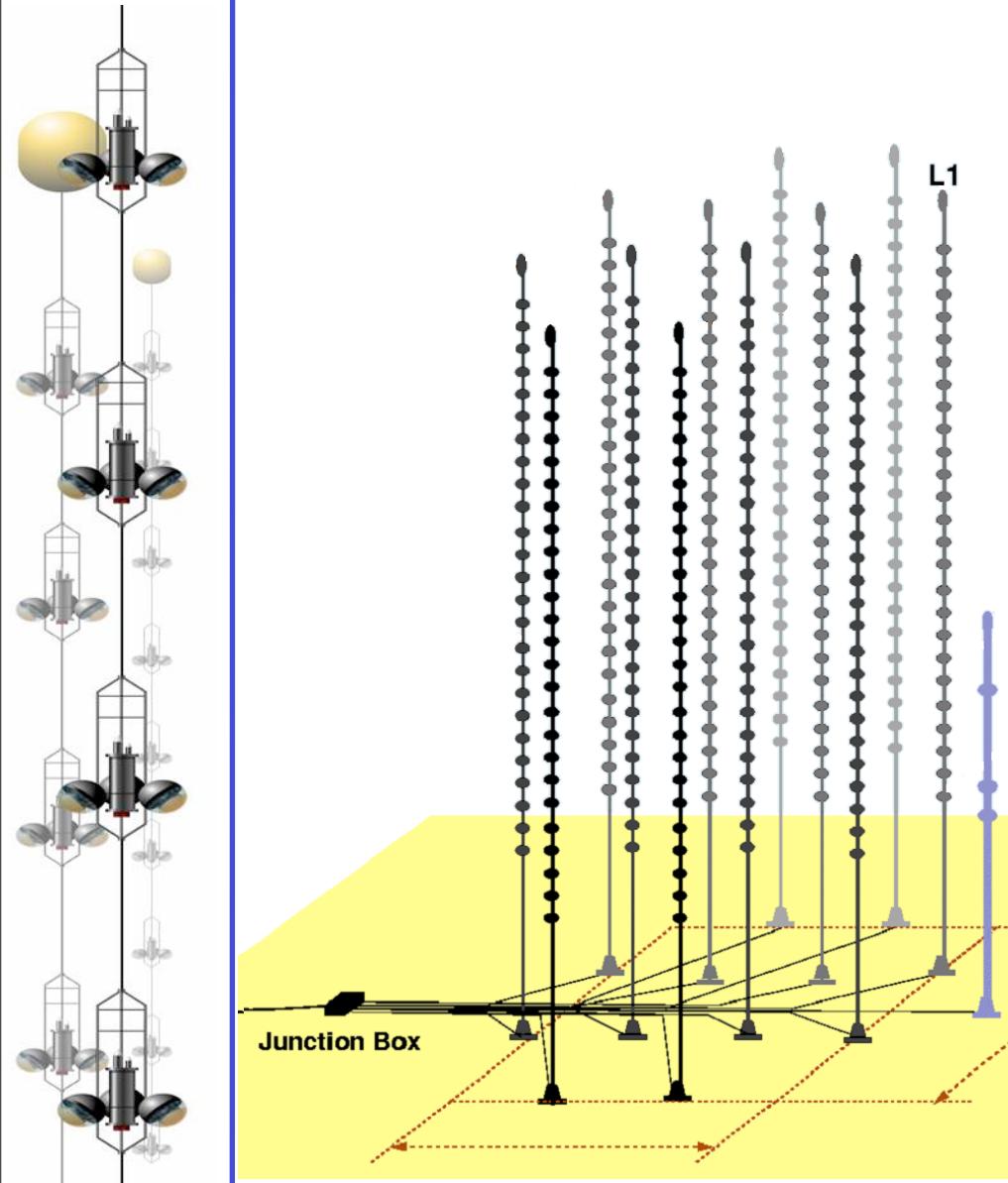
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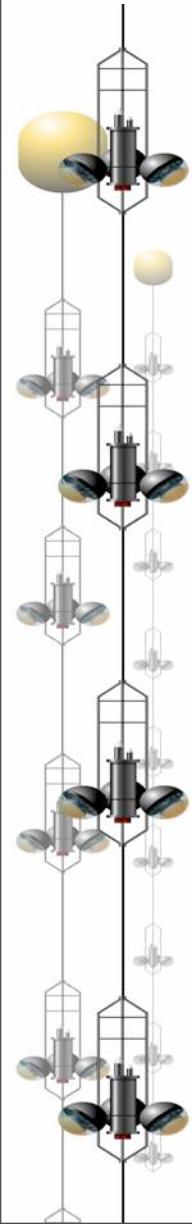
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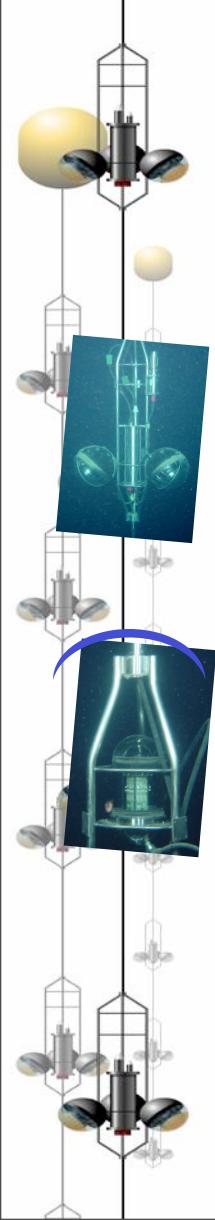
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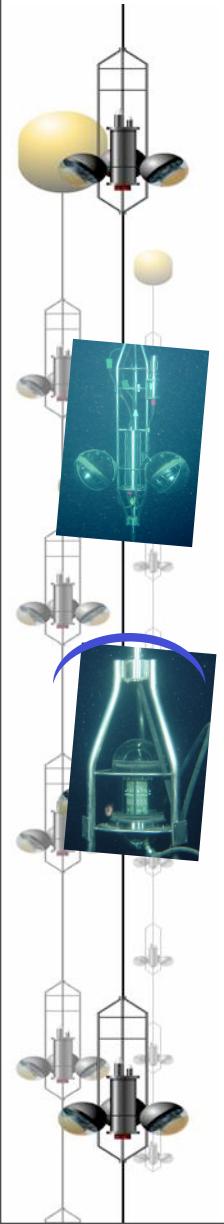
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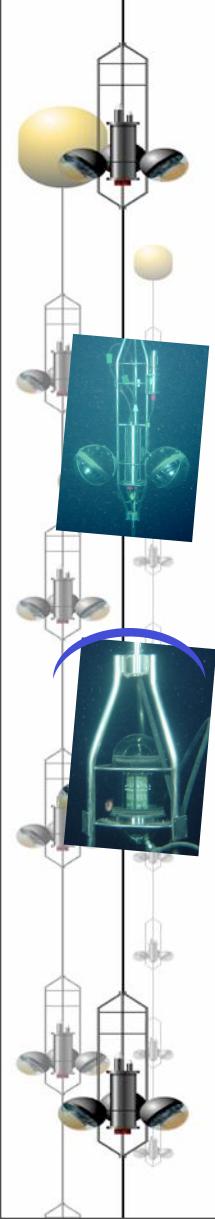


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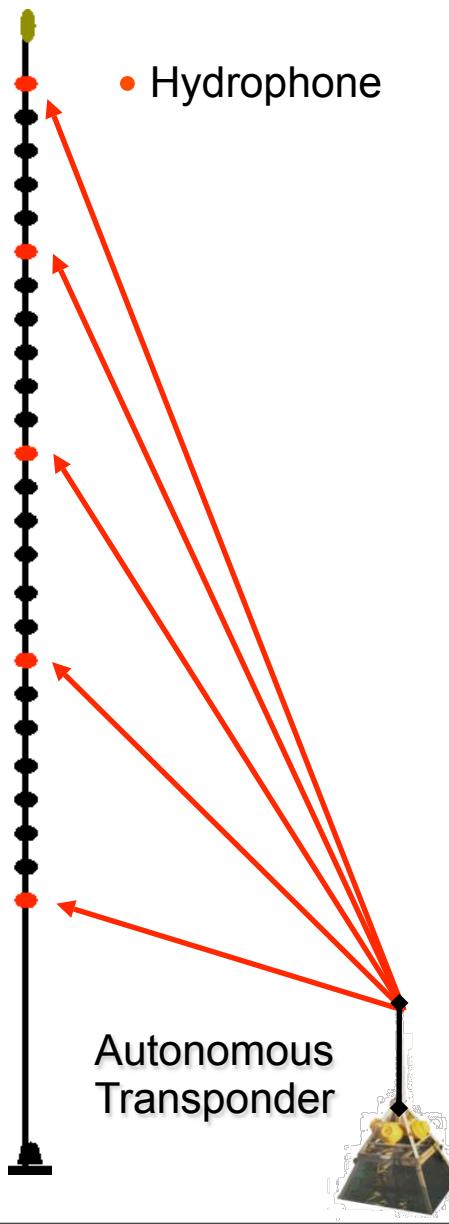
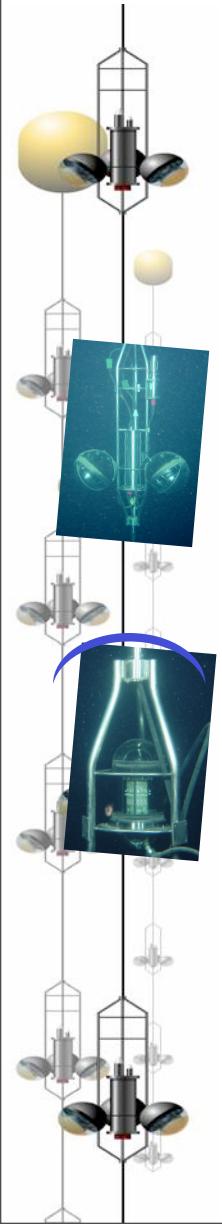
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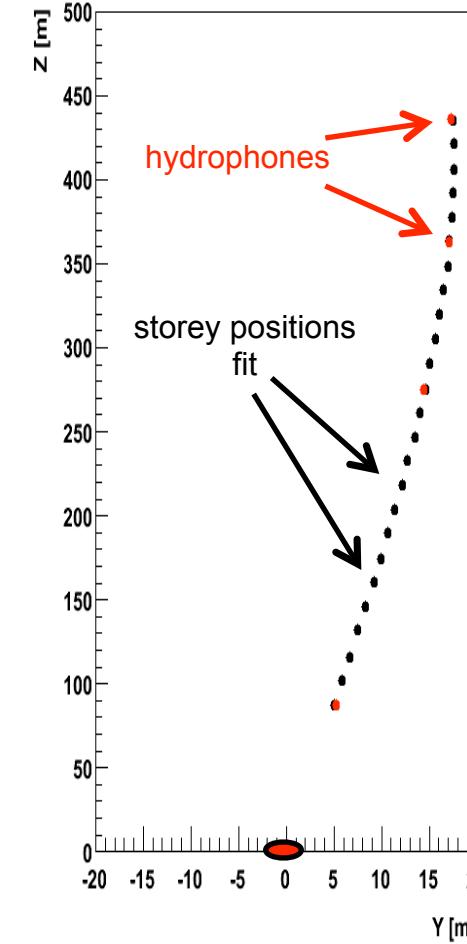
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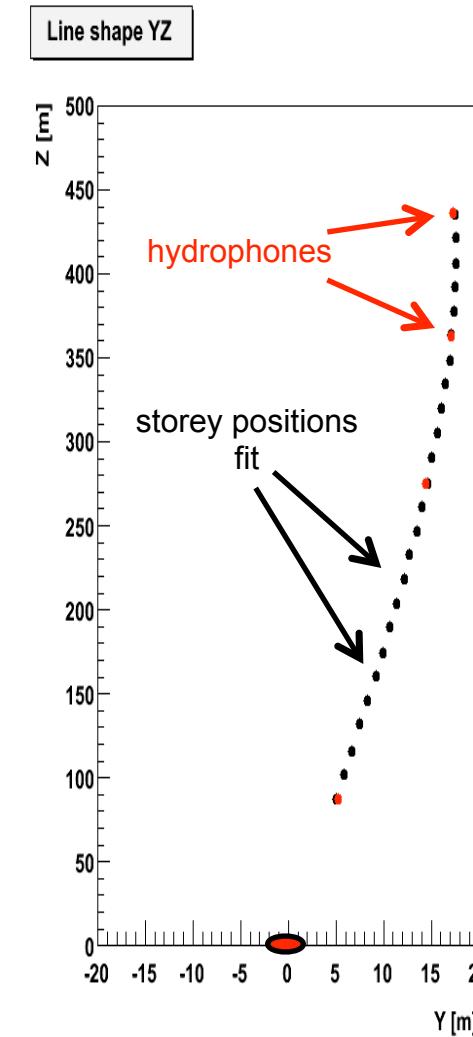
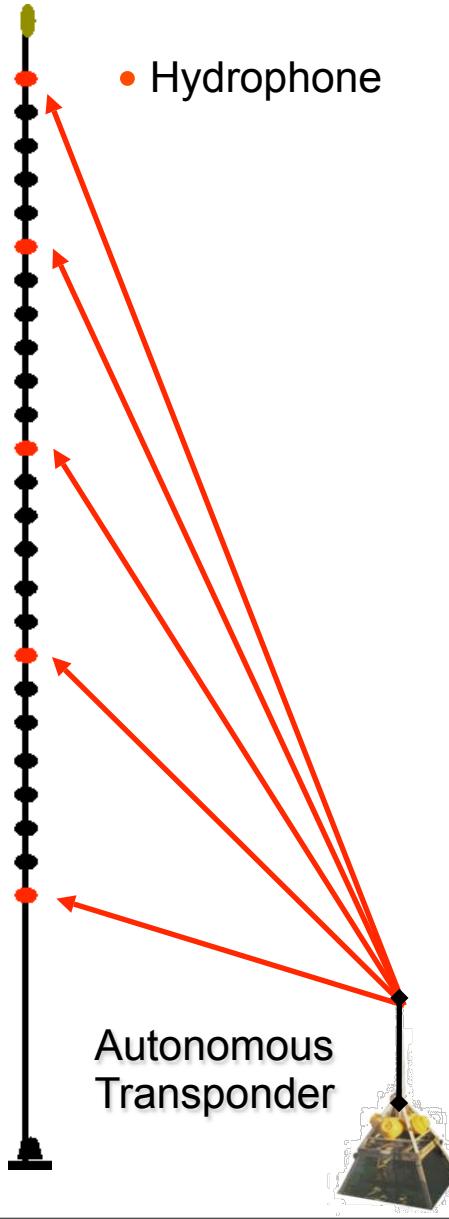
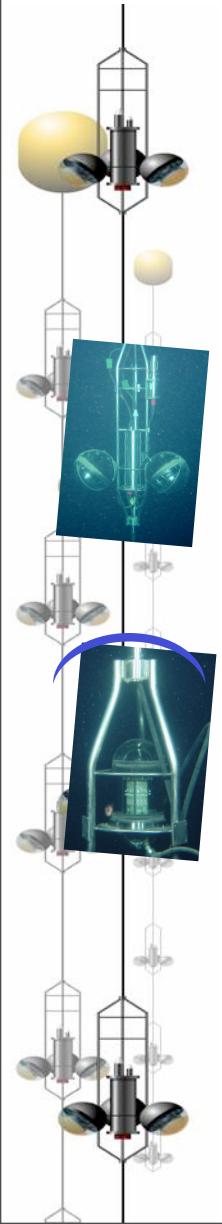
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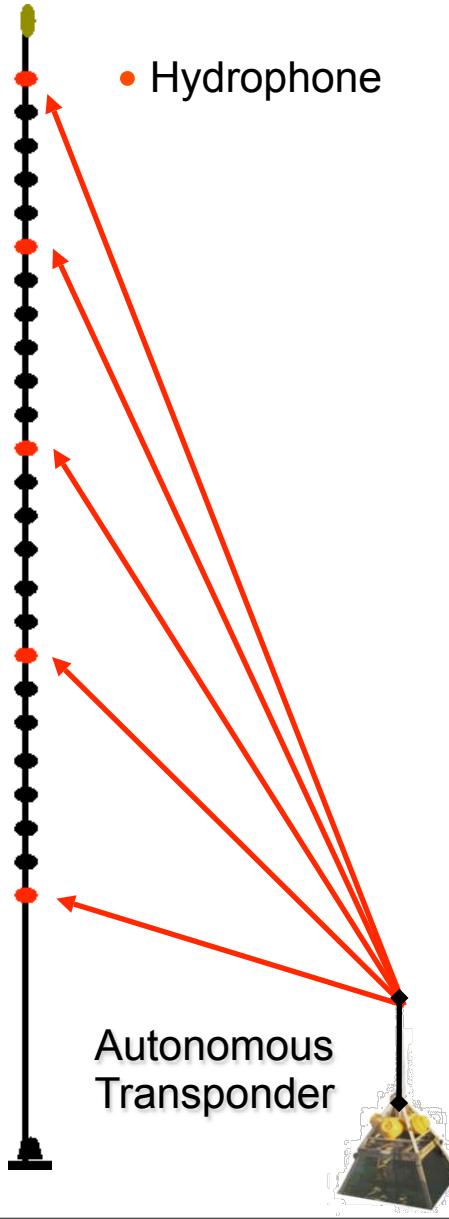
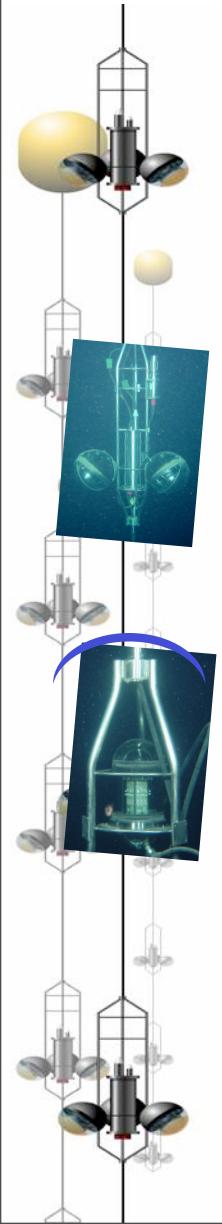


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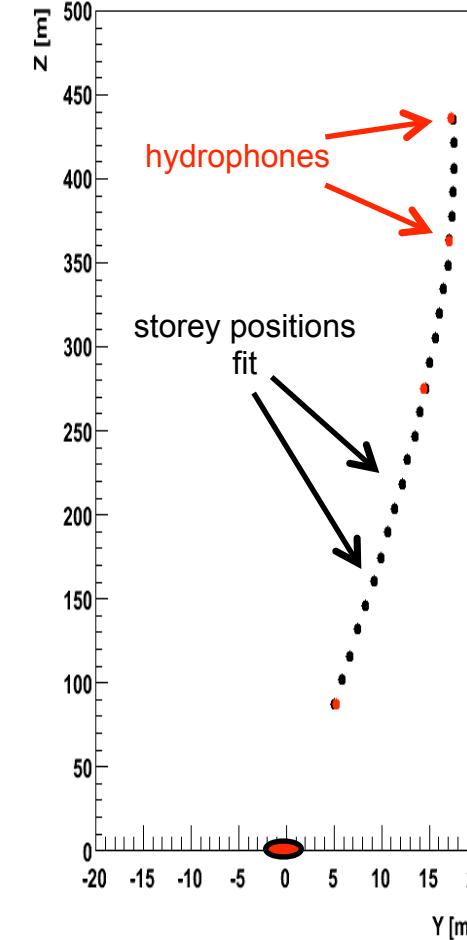
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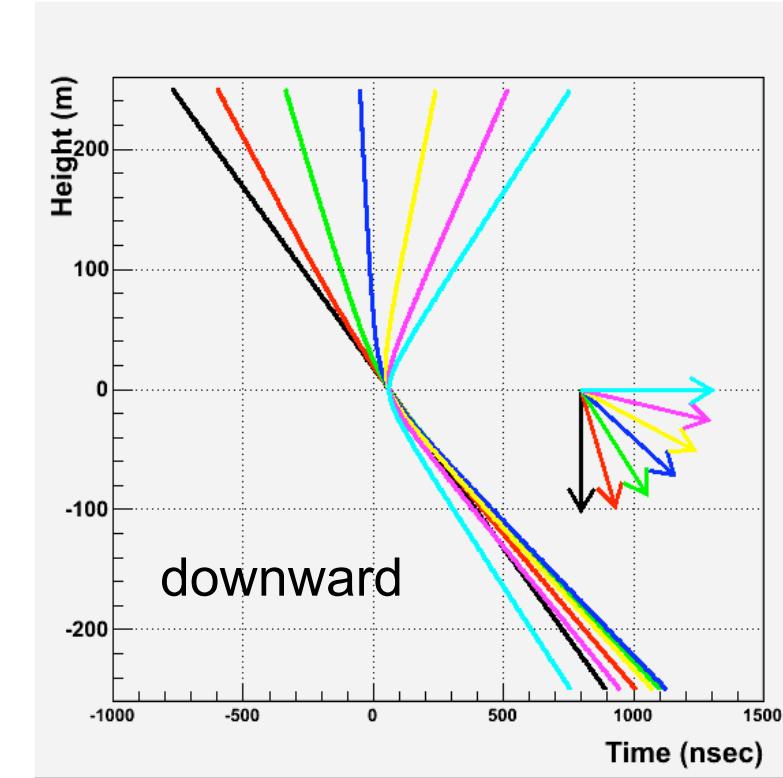
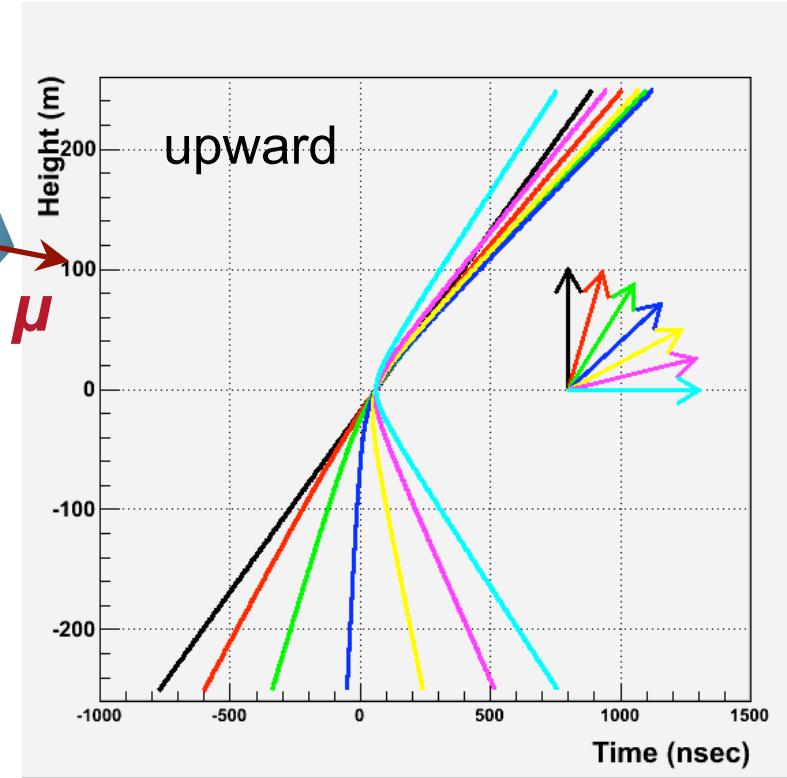
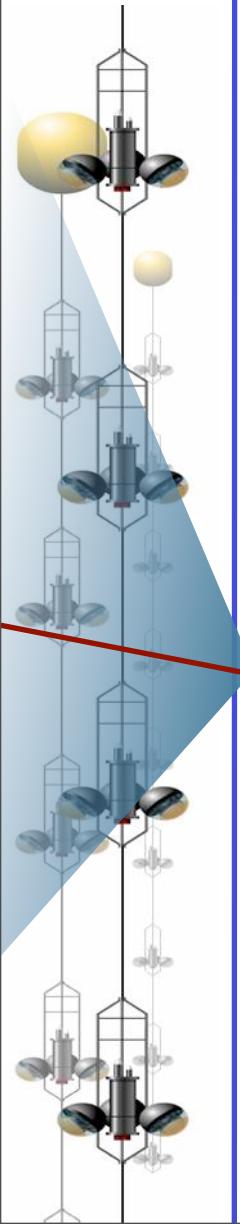


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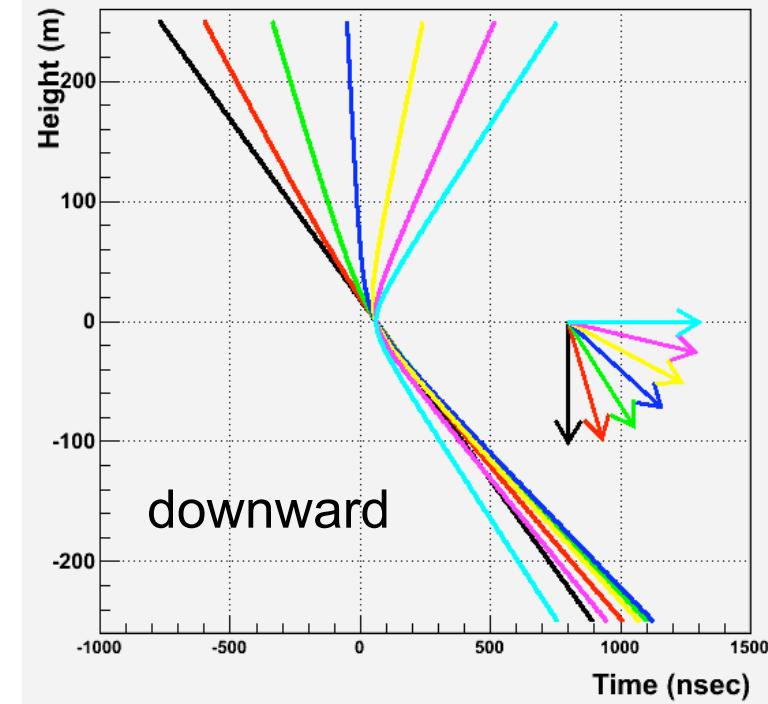
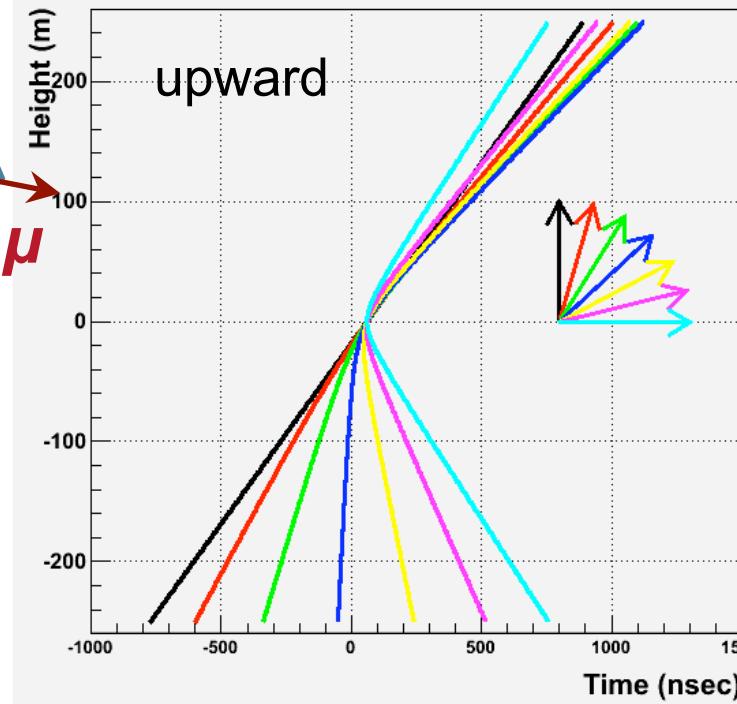
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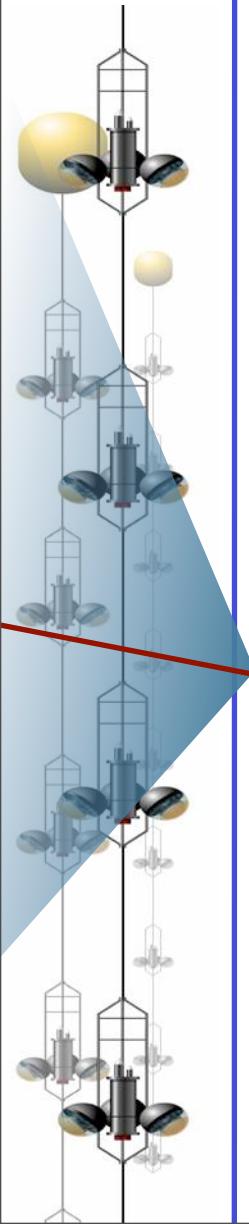
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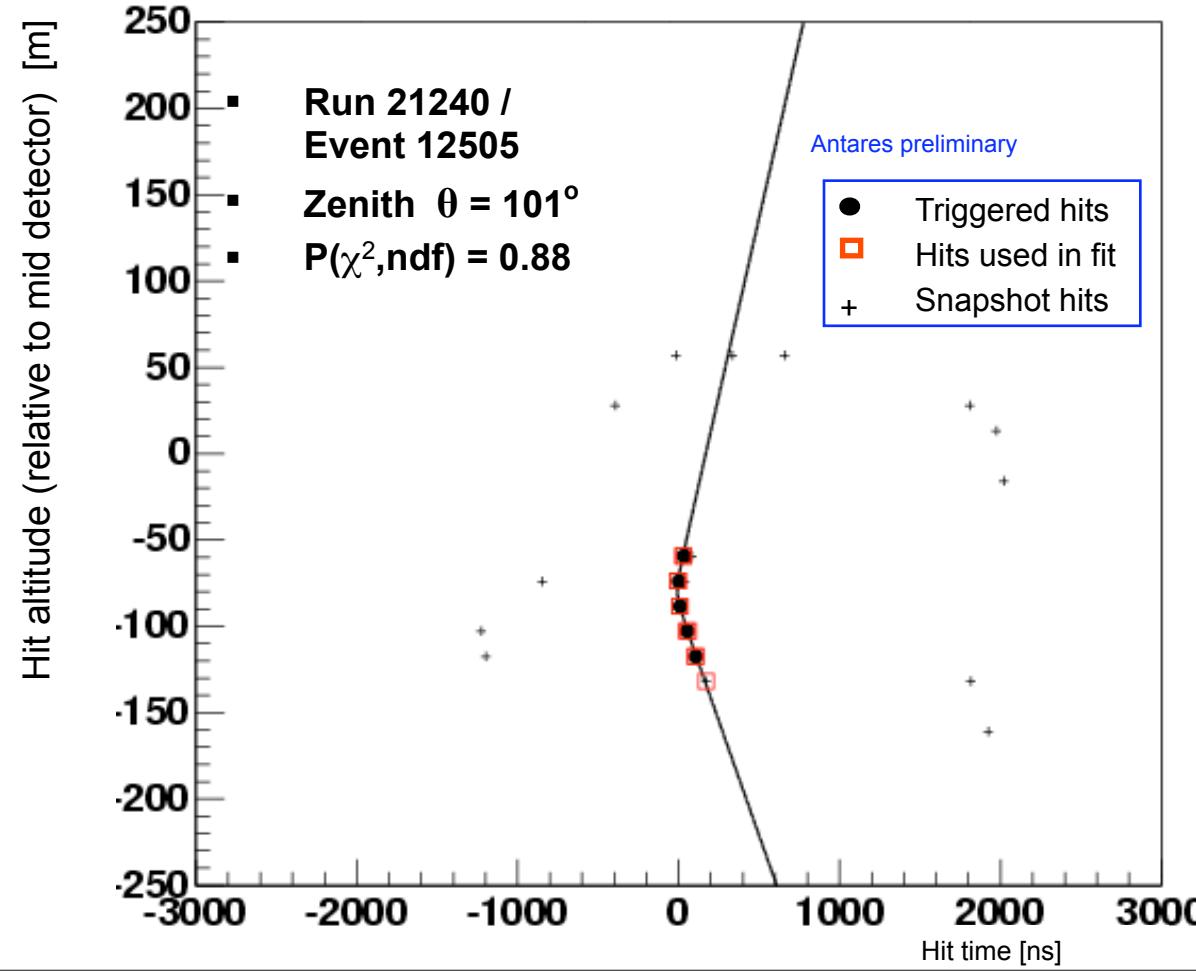


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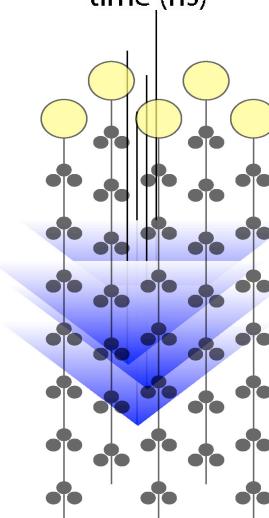
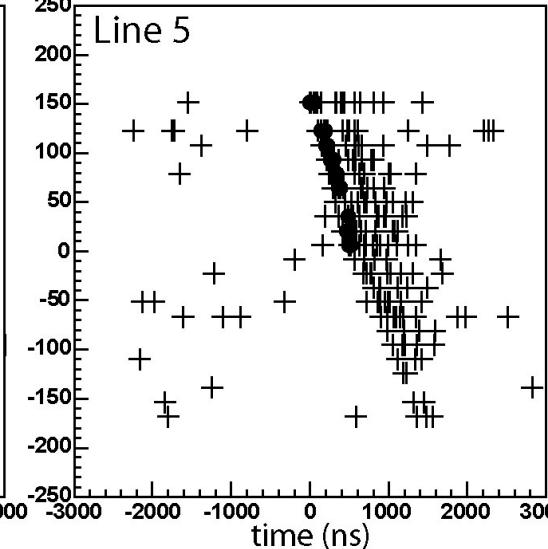
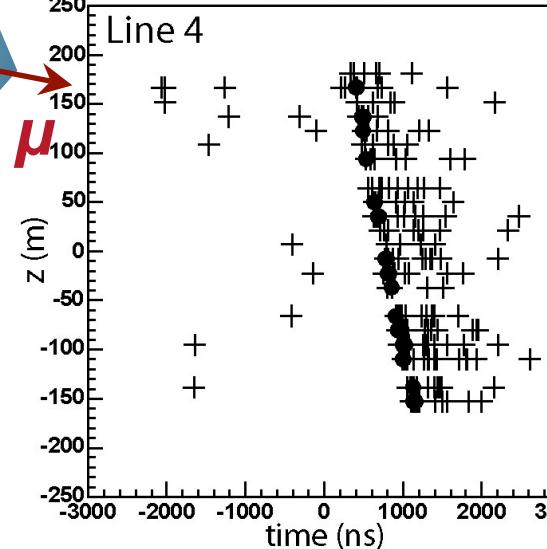
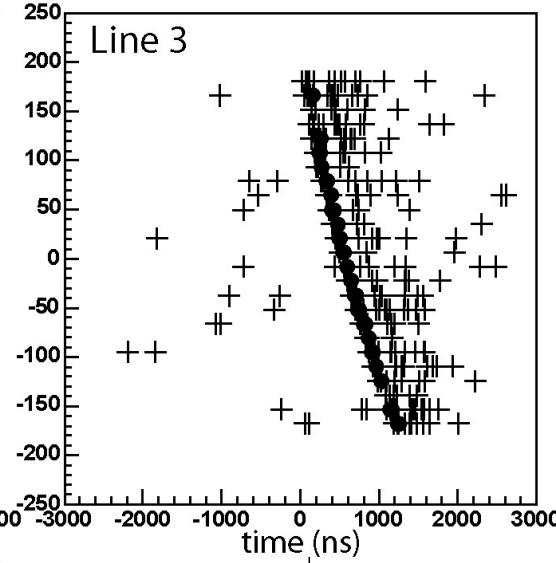
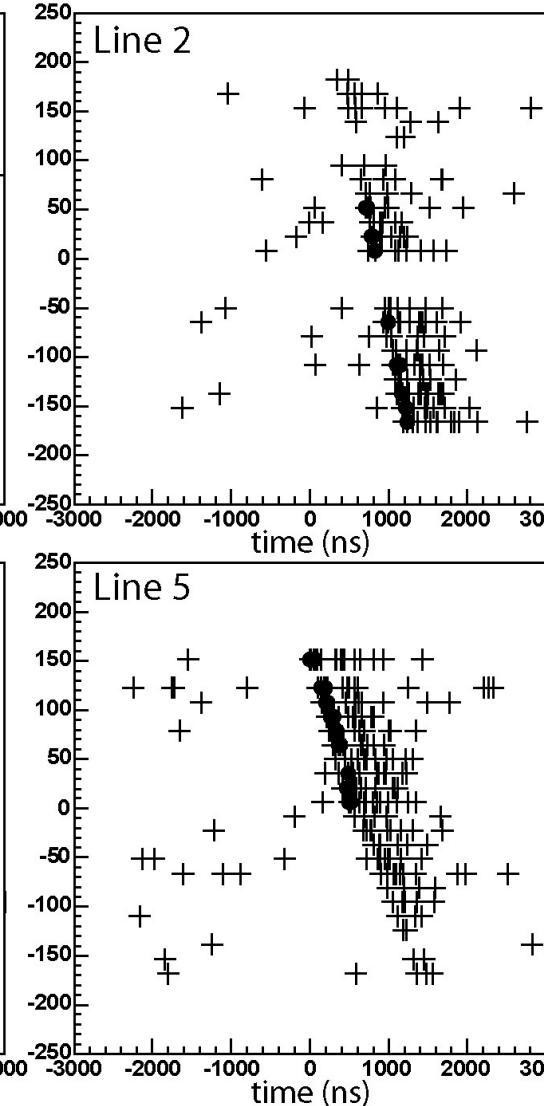
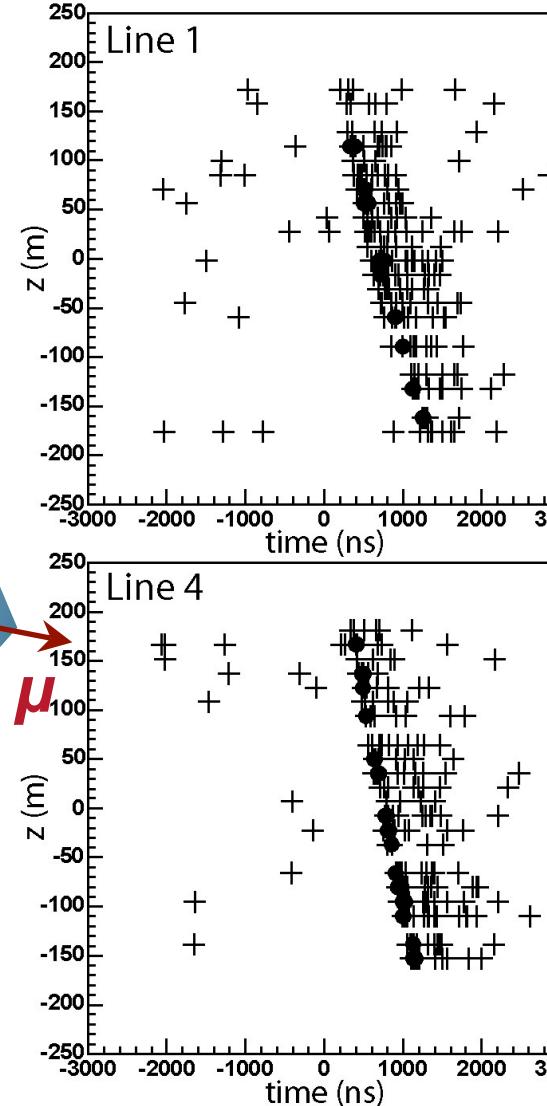
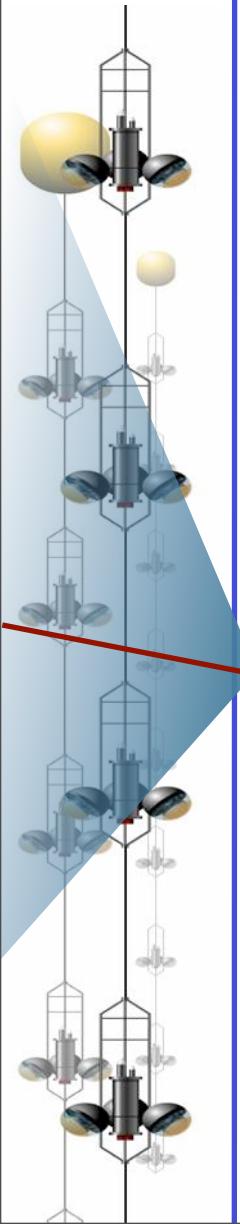
Reconstruction with 1 line (poor sensitivity to azimuth):

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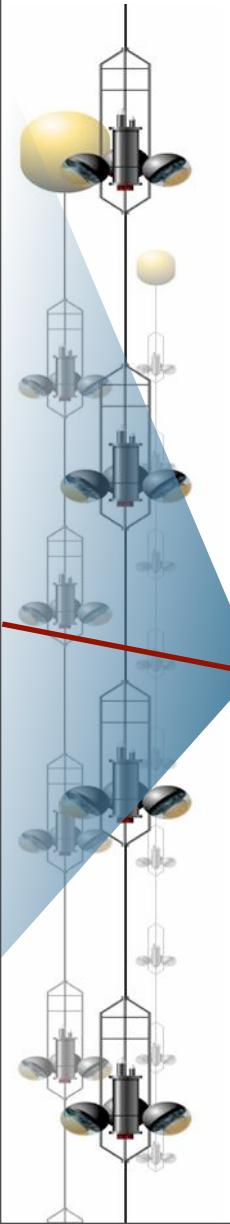


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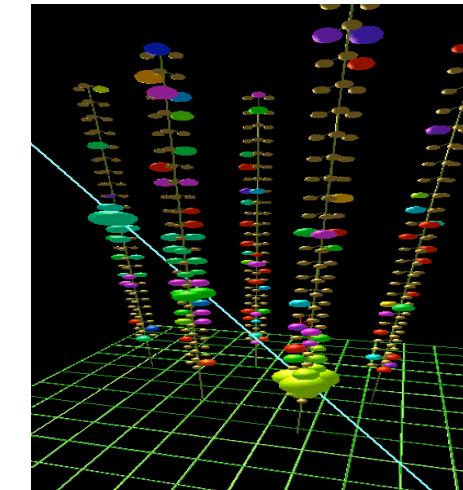
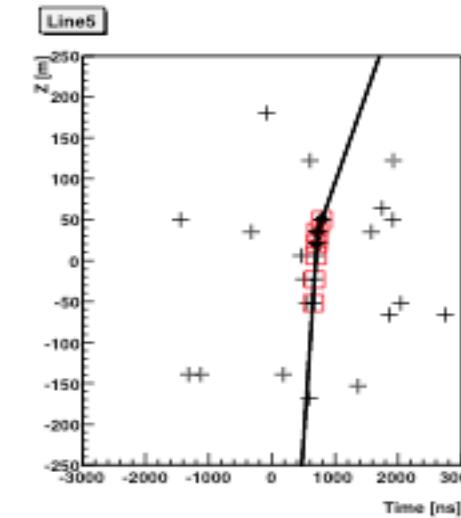
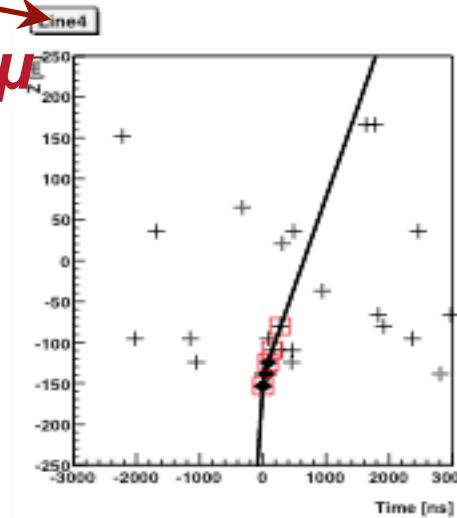
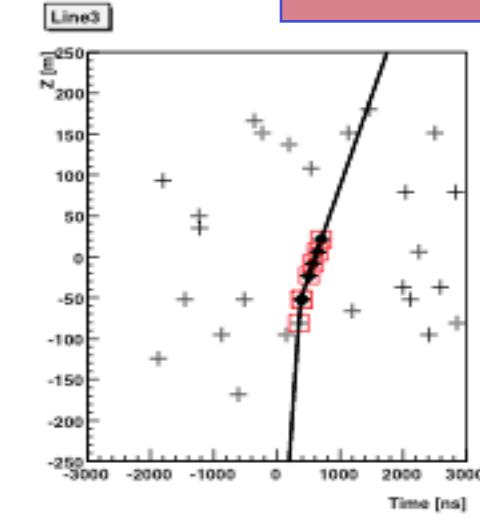
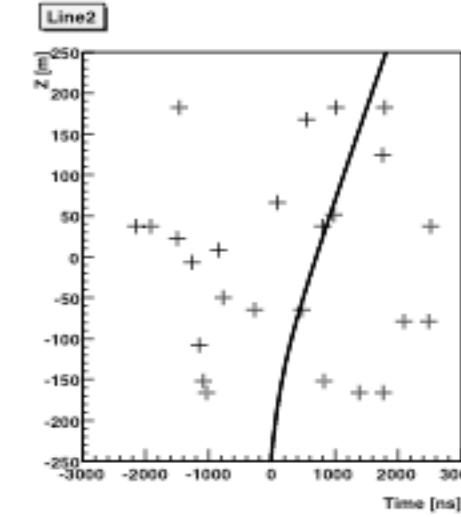
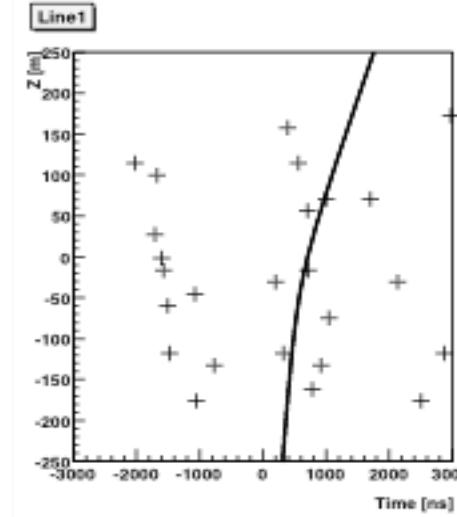


# Atmospheric neutrino candidate



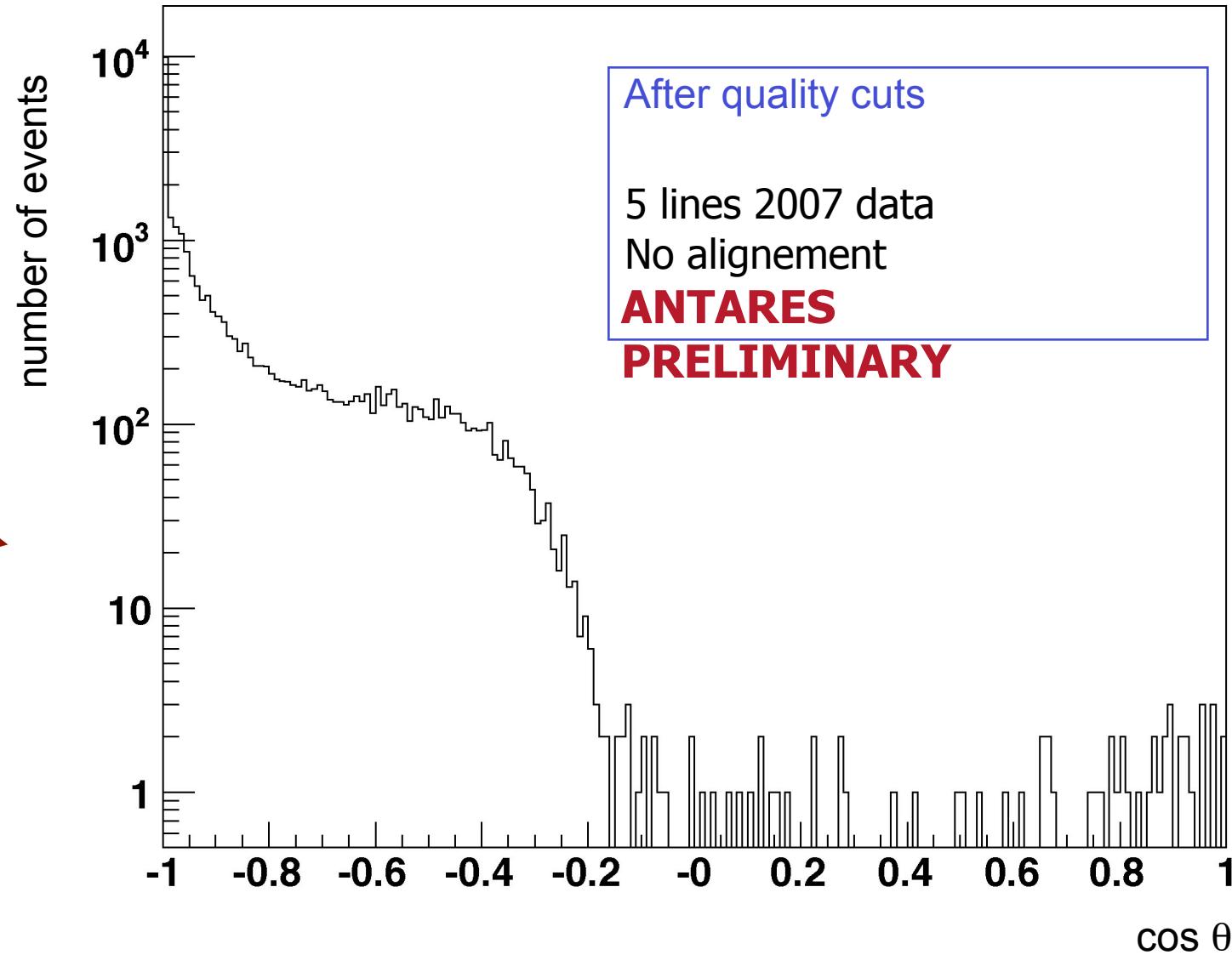
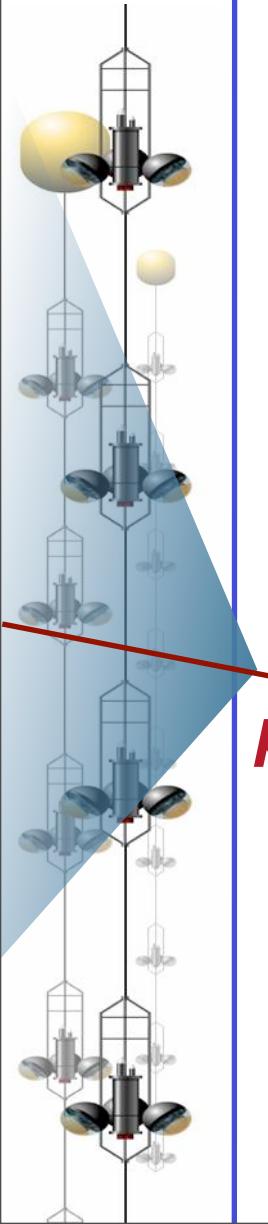
Run : 25929 Event : 6742 FrameTarget : 18 FrameIndex : 61770  
a: 37.1597 b: 22.0716 t0: 164892932.2θ: 0.61779 ϕ: -3.7146 # fits : 4

$$\theta = 35^\circ$$

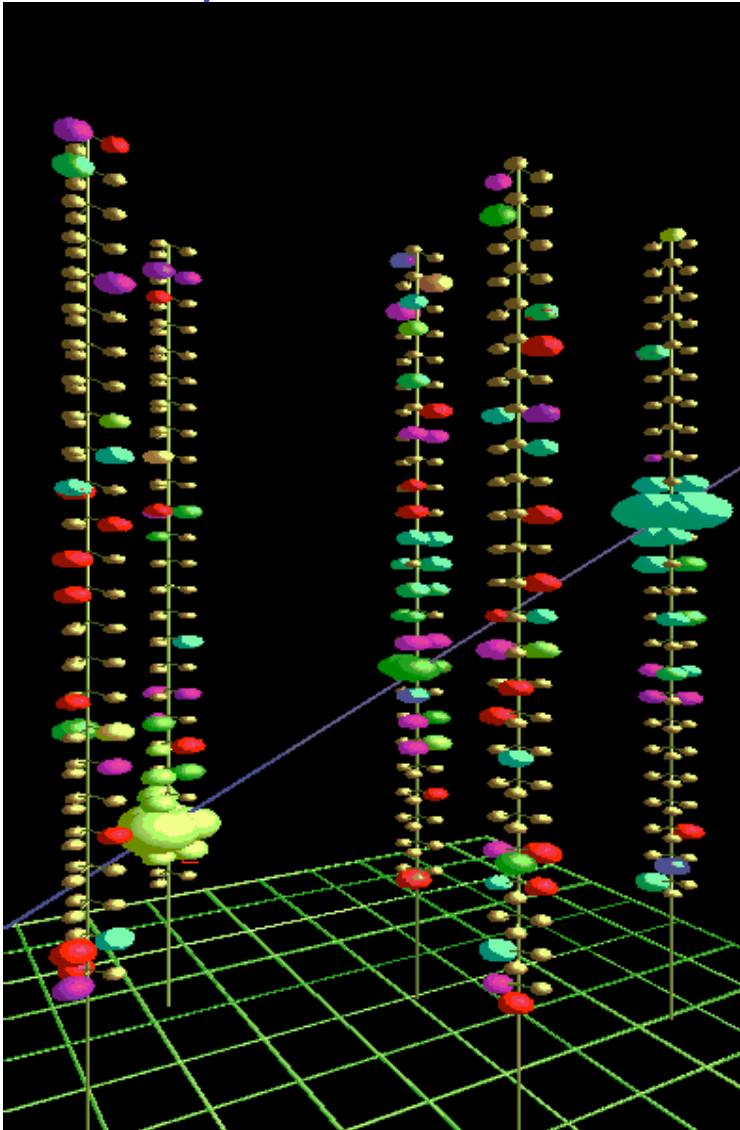




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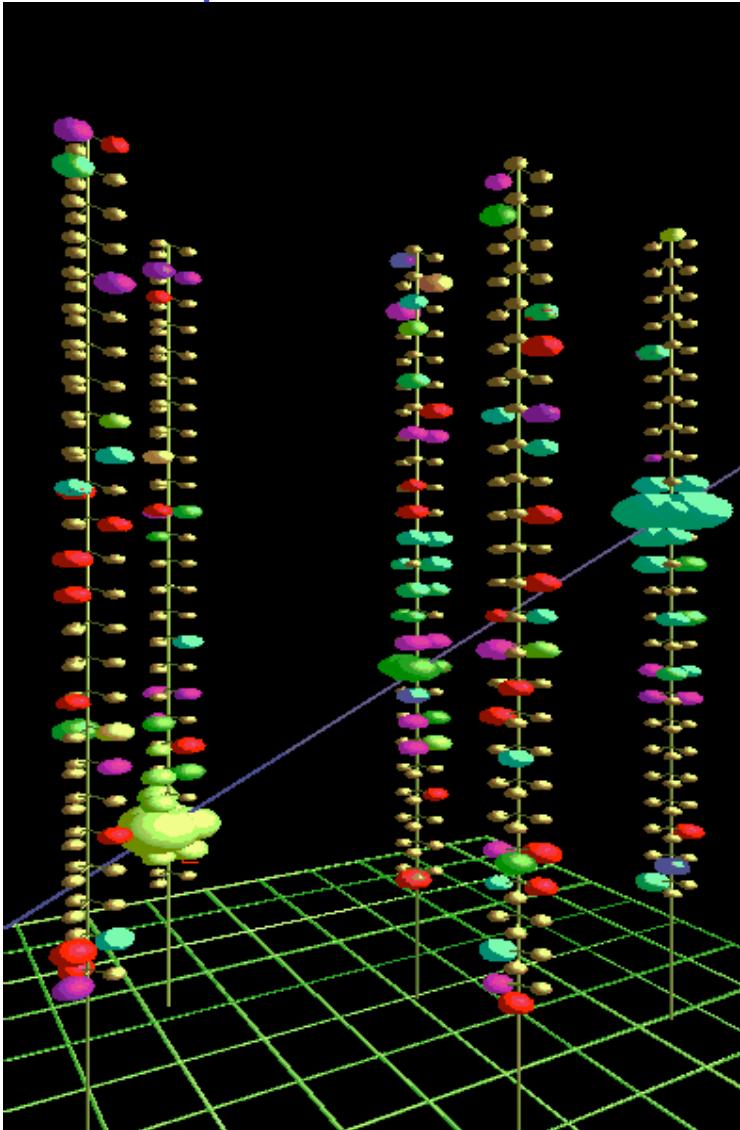


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