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# Status Report of the ANTARES Neutrino Telescope

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#### High-energy neutrinos as cosmic messengers

- no absorption: travel across cosmological distances
- no deflection by magnetic fields: pointing accuracy
- weakly interacting: emerge from dense objects
   produced in photopion interactions: trace the hadronic processes in astrophysical sources



#### What to look at?

 $\gamma$  TeV sources seen by HESS. AUGER UHECR AGN connection? Galactic Acceleration sites: SNR, magnetars SNR Xray binaries microquasars AGN, GRB... Exotics: Extragalactic Wimps, monopoles Quantum decoherence... Some are GW emitters =>Eric's talk near AGN G.R.B.

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## How to discriminate from background?



#### Currently operating HE neutrino telescopes





completed May 30th, 2008 !



BAIKAL

(since 1998, upgraded 2005)



## AMANDA/ICE CUBE

(since 2000, still deploying)







#### **The ANTARES Collaboration**

#### 7 countries, 22 laboratories, ~150 engineers, sea scientists & physicists



## **The ANTARES Site**



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**Titanium frame : mechanical support** 







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Hydrophone: Acoustic positioning



#### 2002: deployment of Junction Box







# April 2005: MILOM(mini-instrumented line with OMs)





#### March 2006: first line







September 2006: Line 2





#### ➢ January 2007: Lines 3 − 4 − 5







# December 2007: Lines 6 to 10 + new Instrumented Line (IL)







30th of May 2008: Lines 11 & 12 connected

# The ANTARES detector is complete!

## The ANTARES Detector: expected performance

#### Angular resolution



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Limitations:

- light scattering + chromatic dispersion in sea water:  $\sigma \sim 1.0$  ns
- transit time spread in photomultipliers:  $\sigma \sim 1.3 \ ns$
- electronics + time calibration:  $\sigma < 0.5$  ns
- OM position  $\sigma$  < 10 cm ( $\leftrightarrow \sigma$  < 0.5 ns)

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Effective area for  $v [m^2]$ 


## **Positioning system**



#### **Time calibration**

Relative timing calibration: ~ 0.5 ns

Dark room measurements:



#### Δt(OM1-OM0)



In situ measurements: use optical beacon system



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### **Optical backgrounds**

- K<sup>40</sup> ~40 kHz
- Bioluminescence
  - Continuum ~ 30 kHz (but variable)
  - Short bursts: up to > MHz





#### Muon rate v.s. depth



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### **1** line vertical muon flux



For 1 line Arrival time (t) of  $\gamma$  v.s. altitude (z)  $\Rightarrow$  Vary with zenithal angle and distance

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### An upgoing v candidate in the 5 Lines detector



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#### A $\nu$ in the 12 Lines detector



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#### **E-M shower detection**

From muon bremsstrahlung



On line event display http://www.nikhef.nl/~mjg/display/

#### **E-M shower detection**



Systematic effects:

- ±20% absorption length
- PMT acceptance

#### A muon bundle in the 5 Line detector



#### **12 line muon bundle and E-M shower**



# MC-Data agreement and cuts on $\nu_{\rm atm}$ - $\mu_{\rm atm}$



Before cuts: difference MCtruth/Reco. =>contamination by atmospheric µ reconstructed as upward

### **MC-Data agreement and cuts**



#### Data with the 5 Line detector 06->12/2007



#### More and more lines...

### 10 lines 12/07-04/08 109 active days

### 12 lines 06/07 14 active days



+11 single line evt.

+88 single line evt.

#### First limits & expected sensitivities

#### **Point Sources of neutrinos**



#### **Conclusions & outlook**

# ANTARES detector complete, alive and working !

- Technology proven
  - Detector under control
- Data analysis in progress
  - nearly 500 neutrino events selected
  - first physics results and much more coming

# Stay tuned!

# Ready for next step with KM3NeT Detector.....



#### It's alive!

# Lizard suicide



# Hard work to repair



#### New spokesman



#### http://antares.in2p3.fr/News/CableReparation/cablefix.swf





### **Backup: optical properties**

[λ ~ 460 nm] (blue)	Absorption length [m]	Scattering length [m]	Angular Resolution [°] (< 0.1km <sup>2,</sup> E>10 TeV)
South Pole Ice	≤ 100	≤ 25	3°
Lake Baikal	≥ 15	> 300	1.5°
Mediterranean Sea	55	> 300	0.2°

#### **Detector Systematics**



- systematic error due to +/- 10% on absorption length = +25%/-20%;
- syst. err. due to -15% on PMT efficiency (QE, eff. area etc) = -15%;
- syst. err. due to cutoff in angular accept. = +20%/-15%;
- total systematic uncertainty +/- 30%.

#### **Systematics from flux model**



- +30% for primary flux;
- +25% for the hadronic shower model;
- total systematic uncertainty +40%.





### The ANTARES Detector: deployment phases

Duration of lines in the sea



#### ...and Junction Box in water for 5 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> years

#### **Time calibration with Potassium 40**

#### Presence of <sup>40</sup>K in salty water: <sup>40</sup>K $\rightarrow$ <sup>40</sup>Ca $\nabla_{e}$ e<sup>-</sup>

#### can be used for charge and time calibration of the detector



#### Expected neutrino flux from the Sun

- Neutralino LSP in mSugra theory
- mSugra parameter space through: m<sub>0</sub>,m<sub>1/2</sub>,A<sub>0</sub>,tan(β),sign(μ)



#### Backup : Background noise expected...

Muons distribution over zenith angle


## Backup : Trigger

Before to really reconstruct a muon track, there are five data processing levels from the data taking to the discovering of potential events:

- Level 0 (L0) : All hits
- Level 1 (L1) : local trigger search
  - local coinciding hits in a time gate (~20 ns) on 2 PMTs of the same floor
  - and/or all hits with charge > threshold param. (~2.5 p.e.)
- Level 2 (L2) : global trigger search
  - Space-time relation between signals due to unscattered light from the same muon trajectory or bright point
  - assuming: high relativitic muons, slowest possible speed c/n (n~1.35). For two hits, causality implies:

$$\Delta t = \frac{n}{c} \Delta x$$

 $\Delta t$  : time between hits  $\Delta x$  : diff. Between PMTs positions

# Backup : Trigger

#### • Level 2 (L2) :

• if the number of correlated hits > "minClusterSize" parameter(~4)  $\rightarrow$  Cluster

For example for a 3D Trigger:

Minimum number of hits in the cluster = 5

Minimum number of floors in the cluster = 5

Minimum charge of the largest hits in the

cluster = 0.3 p.e.

🗸 etc...



• Level 3 (L3) : merging of overlapping events

- each event contains a snapshot of all hits in a time window around the cluster tmaxCausal  $\sim$  2.2  $\mu s$
- All hits within causality condition added
- Level 4 (L4) : event building

 All raw hits collected in a snapshot and combined into "PhysicsEvent" with data of clusters

# Backup : Trigger

After, all processing levels used into different forms of triggers which look for:

- 1D : time correlated hits in a given direction (L0 data in input)
- 3D : time correlated hits from any directions (L1 data in input)
- MX : similar to 1D + one local coincidence (1 L1) to speed up the processing of L0 data

And the number of L0 or L1 levels for each trigger can vary...

At the end, the muon track reconstruction strategy can apply to the selected hits...

# Backup : Reconstrustion Strategy

• Step 1 : Linear prefit by  $\chi^{2}$ -minimization over local coincidences and integrated charge of hits

• step 2 : M-estimator minimization

$$G = \sum_{i} K(-2\sqrt{1 + A_{i}r_{i}^{2}/2}) - (1 - K)f_{ang}(a_{i})$$

 $A_i$  = charge,  $r_i$  = time residual,  $f_{ang}$  = angular factor, K=0.05 (MC simulation)

• step 3 : Likelihood-maximization

$$P(event | track) = prod_i P(t_i | t_i^{th})$$

A likelihood cut is preformed to discriminate the « real » up-going events compare to the down-going muon misreconstructed.

### Backup : Neutrinos Effective Area



### Backup : Neutrinos cross sections



 $\sigma_{cc,v}$  from CTEQ coll. Parton Distribution Functions

# Backup : Energy reconstruction



Factor 2 or 3 at low energy (<O(TeV))