# Vertex reconstruction using the Photo Detection System

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## **DUNE low energy group**

<u>Laura Paulucci (</u>UFABC)  $\rightarrow$  leading the Supernova (SN) neutrino simulations production

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Supernova explosion:

Low energy neutrinos of all flavors are emitted

DUNE  $\rightarrow$  sensitivity of 10 - few tens of MeV  $\rightarrow$  CC interactions produce short electron tracks in LAr

$$\nu_e + {}^{40} Ar \to e^- + {}^{40} K^*$$

Also, deexcitation gammas product of K\* allow for a unique way of tagging interactions

#### What DUNE can do: directionality



Number of expected interactions as a function of SN distance

- Main objective: SN localization
- Neutrinos arrive before light signal
- Gives astronomers a chance to see the complete SN light curve!



# Simulation and reconstruction



#### **Simulation software**

Liquid Argon Software (*LarSoft*) to produce the simulations

Github link → https://github.com/DUNE/dunesw/tree/develop/fcl/dunefdvd

Contains all the .fcl files required to run a neutrino + LAr interaction events



#### **Scintillation light simulation**



#### Light yield

The **light yield (LY)** is defined as the amount of PEs obtained per unit of energy (usually MeV)  $\rightarrow$  LY = PE/MeV



<LY> expected for DUNE > 20 PEs/MeV



#### **Clustering for position reconstruction**

- <u>Objective</u>: generate *flashes* → clusterings of optical hits related in time and space
- With these flashes, we can perform a position reconstruction for the true event
- PDS reconstruction + TPC reconstruction → great imaging capabilities
- The PDS system also provides a good tool for triggering (can see DUNE TDR), and calorimetry (can see talk https://agenda.infn.it/event/33107/contributions/205130/attachments/112095/1 60096/NeutrinoTelescope23\_brunetti.pdf)

## **Creating flashes: how does it work?**



Presented with xmind

#### **#Flashes**

- 4-30 MeV SN nues with a flat spectrum
- <LY> ~ 32 PEs/MeV



- The mean #flashes is ~2.32. Since all the hits come from a single signal event, ideally this value would be ~ 1
- Amount of 0 flashes is ~ 1.6 %

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#### **Spatial resolution**

Distance from true to reconstructed vertexes



- Resolution for *all* flashes (blue), and the *largest* flash (red).
- Flashes with lower amount of PEs have a worse reconstruction

## Signal + background

## **Background model**

| Component                         | Activity (mBq/cm <sup>3</sup> ) |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <sup>39</sup> Ar in LAr           | 1.41                            |
| $^{42}$ Ar and $^{42}$ K in LAr   | $0.128 \times 10^{-3}$          |
| <sup>85</sup> Kr in LAr           | 0.16                            |
| <sup>222</sup> Rn chain in LAr    | $1.395 \times 10^{-3}$          |
| <sup>40</sup> K in cathode        | 9.1                             |
| <sup>238</sup> U chain in cathode | 0.113                           |
| <sup>60</sup> Co in anode         | 0.361                           |
| $^{238}\mathrm{U}$ chain in anode | 95                              |
| <sup>222</sup> Rn chain in PDS    | 0.021                           |
| External neutrons                 | $7.6 \times 10^{-3}$            |
| (rocks, concrete walls, etc)      |                                 |
| Cavern gammas                     | 64                              |

The two bigger points of interest are:

- Low energy, lots of events: mainly Ar39/Ar42 (Ar 39 is generated at a rate of 1/Ls, which with 17 kt of LAr would produce ~ 10^{10} particles of 2 MeV each.
- High energy, fewer events: mainly neutrons, which capture producing a ~6.1 MeV gamma shower.

## **Signal + background simulation**

#### <u>Signal</u>

- SN nue
- 5-30 MeV energy spectrum
- Entire simulation extends through +- 4 ms (determined by the electron drift time), with the signal is located at **T=0**.

#### **Background**

 Background extends throughout the *entire* detector, and also throughout the *entire* time window **T** = +- 4 ms.

#### **Resolution comparison**

Background  $\rightarrow$ more light across the detector and throughout the entire time window (+- 4 ms considering TPC drift)  $\rightarrow$ more flashes

For example, looking at the spatial resolution:







#### **#PEs vs time, near X-Arapuca**



#### **#PEs vs time, center volume**

30 MeV nue signal only

#### 30 MeV nue signal plus background



## What is the plan?



#### #PEs vs cluster time

- <u>Objective:</u> explore clustering to maximise number of photons from the neutrino signal
- Explore discrimination capability as a function of spatial position

#### Conclusions

- Clustering algorithm shows good performance for a signal only simulation, with a spatial resolution of ~1.2m when considering the largest flash
- Optimization of waveforms and peak finding parameters to increase detection efficiency is under study
- Background induces some significant alteration in the clustering process due to the high amount of extra PEs generated
- Obtain a set of parameters for signal identification and background discrimination

# **Backup slides**

#### **Detector efficiency, X and Y cuts**

Detector efficiency far from OpDets. TrueE = 4-30 MeV



<u>Spatial cuts:</u> 225 cm < x < 325 cm -100 cm < y < 100 cm

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#### **PE waveform threshold variation**

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<LY> ~ 23 PE/MeV