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Track and vertex reconstruction in ANNIE Phase II

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The ANNIE experiment

Primary **physics** goal:

- Measure the abundance of final state neutrons (neutron yield), as a function of momentum transfer, from neutrino-nucleus interactions in water
 - Reduce systematic uncertainties on neutrino energy reconstruction in oscillation searches
 - Constrain backgrounds in proton decay searches

Technological goals:

- First application of Gd-loaded water in a neutrino beam
- First demonstration of Large-Area Picosecond Photodetectors (LAPPDs) in a physics measurement

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The Phase II detector

- Gadolinium (0.2%) loaded water
- ~125 PMTs + 5 LAPPDs
 - Coverage on all internal surfaces of tank → LAPPDs focussed downstream
 - Flexibility to add additional LAPPDs
- Fully instrumented MRD
 - 11 layers and 310 channels
- Upgraded electronics and readout
- Commissioning Fall 2018





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LAPPDs



- Micro-channel plate, fast-timing photodetectors
- Large-area: 20 × 20 cm
- Fast timing: <100 ps for a single photoelectron
- High quantum efficiency (QE): >20 %
- Millimetre position resolution
- A number of tiles have been produced and tested \rightarrow gain, timing and QE
- Purchased tile #25 from INCOM
 - Thorough testing ongoing at ISU
 - Expected to be deployed in ANNIE Phase II

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Event signature



- 1. Charged-current *v* interaction in fiducial volume
 - a. Cherenkov cone incident on tank PMTs and LAPPDs
 - b. Scintillation light from stopping muon in MRD
- 2. Final state neutrons thermalized and captured on Gd
- 3. Cascade of 8 MeV detected by tank PMTs



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 - For each hit calculate the timing residual and timing Figure of Merit (FOM)
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 $(x_{hit}, y_{hit}, Z_{hit}, t_{hit})$

Credit: Jingbo Wang

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- 2. **Extended vertex fit** \rightarrow (*x*, *y*, *z*, *t*, θ , φ)
 - Start with position from simple vertex fit and add hypothesised track direction
 - For each hit calculate extended time residual including muon travel time
 - Calculate cone FOM by comparing (x_{hy}) predicted to measured Cherenkov cone
 - Adjust all six parameters to maximise total FOM (time FOM + cone FOM)

 $(x_{hyp}, y_{hyp}, z_{hyp}, t_{hyp})$ $\theta_{hyp}, \varphi_{hyp})$

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Reconstruction strategy



- Reconstruct vertex and track using extended vertex fit
- Fit track position in all MRD layers \rightarrow track length in MRD
- Reconstruct track length in water using a deep learning neural network
- Reconstruct muon and neutrino energies using boosted decision tree (BDT)
- Calculate *Q*² assuming CCQE interaction

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Phase II simulation

- Full ANNIE Phase II simulation using WCSim
 - Phase II geometry with 128
 8-inch PMTs and 128 LAPPDs
- Mask out LAPPDs to test specific configurations
 - **PMT only**: 128 PMTs (~20 % coverage of the inner walls)
 - LAPPD+PMT: 128 PMTs + 5 LAPPDs → on downstream wall of the tank
- Use a dataset of v from GENIE and propagated through WCSim





Credit: Marcus O'Flaherty

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Vertex position resolution

- Select events where the muon is produced within the fiducial volume and stopped within the MRD
- 128 PMT-only (20% coverage): 38 cm
- 5 LAPPDs + 128 PMTs: 12 cm
- Improvement by more than a **factor of three** when we include LAPPD hits in the reconstruction



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Muon angle resolution

- Select events where the muon is produced within the fiducial volume and stopped within the MRD
- 128 PMT-only (20% coverage): ~11°
- 5 LAPPDs + 128 PMTs: ~5°
- Improvement by about a **factor of two** when we include LAPPD hits in the reconstruction



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Further reconstruction

Combining the track length in water and the track length in the MRD as inputs to a BDT, we can reconstruct the muon and neutrino energies.

At the 68th percentile of all selected events in the sample, we achieve an energy resolution of:

- 10 %, for the muon
- 14 %, for the neutrino



For more details see: E. Drakopoulou, arXiv:1710.05668v3

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Conclusions

- Deploying LAPPDs and using Gd-loaded water will ensure ANNIE can meet its physics goals for Phase II:
 - Namely measuring the neutron yield, as a function of momentum transfer, from neutrino-nucleus interactions in water
- We have demonstrated reconstruction of the track, vertex and energy using PMT and LAPPD hits
- We see a significant reconstruction improvement over ~20 % coverage by PMTs alone
- Continuing effort to ensure reconstruction is ready for the start of data taking in ANNIE Phase II, later **this year**

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A. Lyashenko, Incom LAPPD, Pico-Second Workshop, Kansas City Sept 15-18 2016

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Vertex and track reconstruction





Adjust six parameters to maximize the FOM

Track length reconstruction



- Muon energy is measured as the sum of energy deposit in water and MRD
- Track length in the water tank is calculated using a Deep Learning Neural Network (from Tensorflow package).
- Tracks in MRD are reconstructed in two 2D views and then matched into a 3D view
- MRD reconstruction is done in a separate framework. For the present studies, the track length is calculated as the distance between the true entry and stop points of the muon (neglect scattering)

