

Cosmic ray muons reconstruction in the SNO+ experiment

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Main Objective

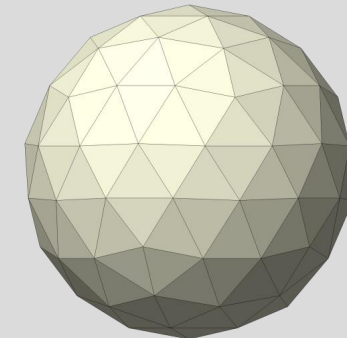
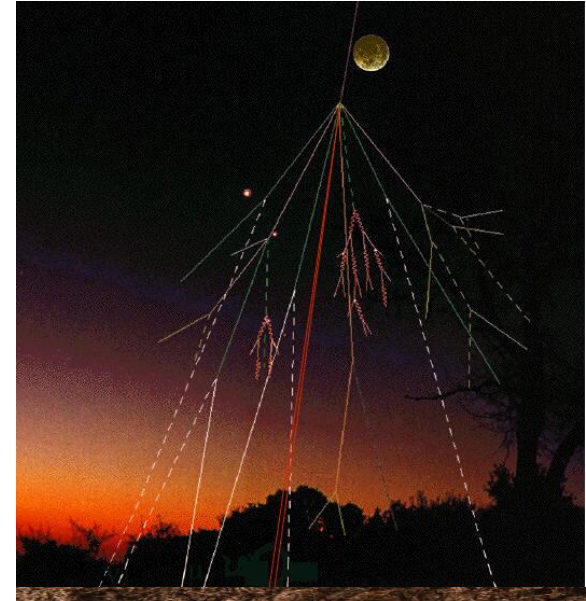
Even if neutrinos are our main concern,
we must estimate the muon underground flux!

Probabilistic Approach

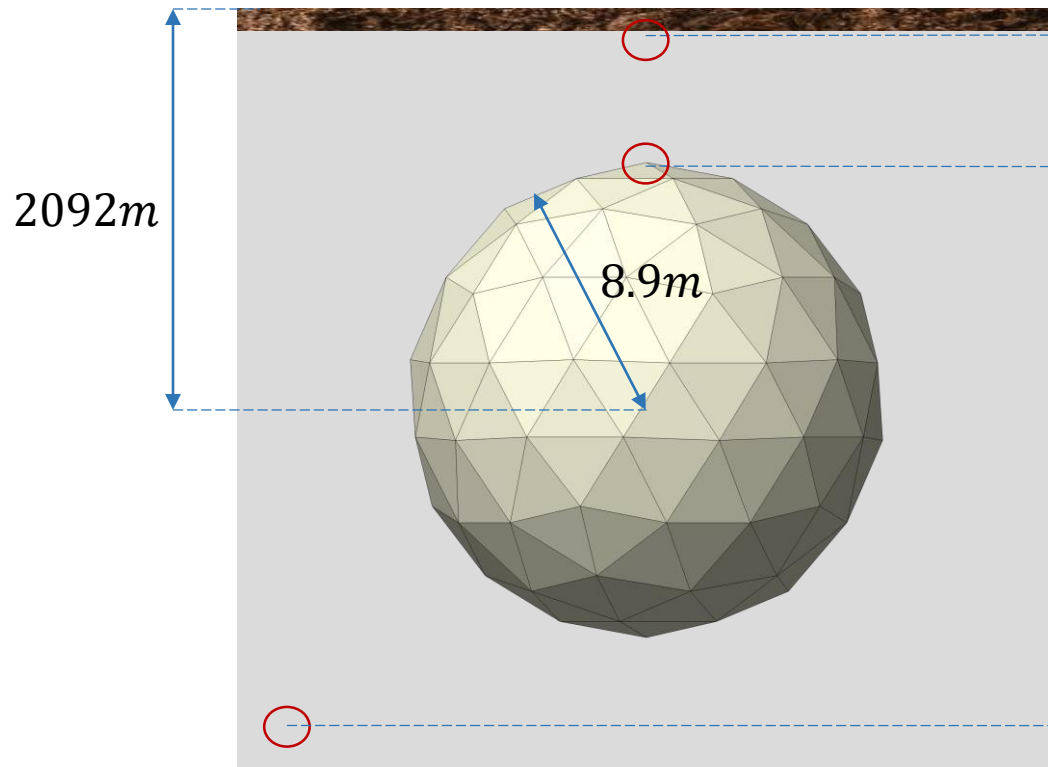
Collision-type Approach

Energetic Approach

Numerical Approach



The SNO+ detector and its surroundings



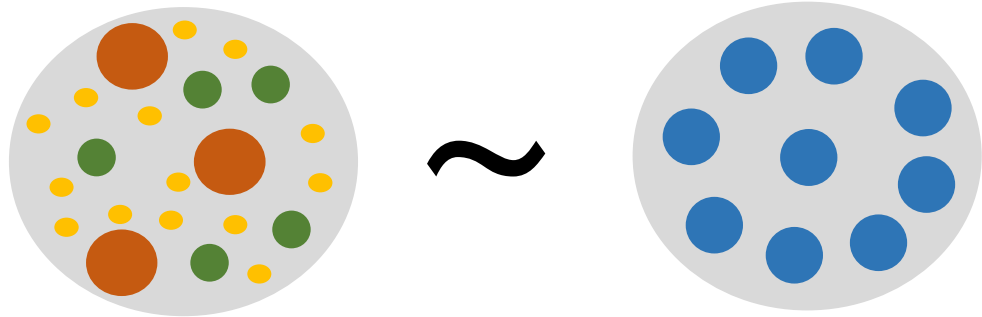
$$\rho_{2,s} = 2.8g \cdot cm^{-3}$$

$$\rho_{2,v} = 2.9g \cdot cm^{-3}$$

$$\rho(890 \leq r \leq 209200, \phi, \theta) = -\frac{1}{2083100}r + \frac{302094}{104155} g \cdot cm^{-3}$$

$$\rho_1 = 2.83g \cdot cm^{-3}$$

Major simplifications



$$\rho = \rho(r, \phi, \theta)$$



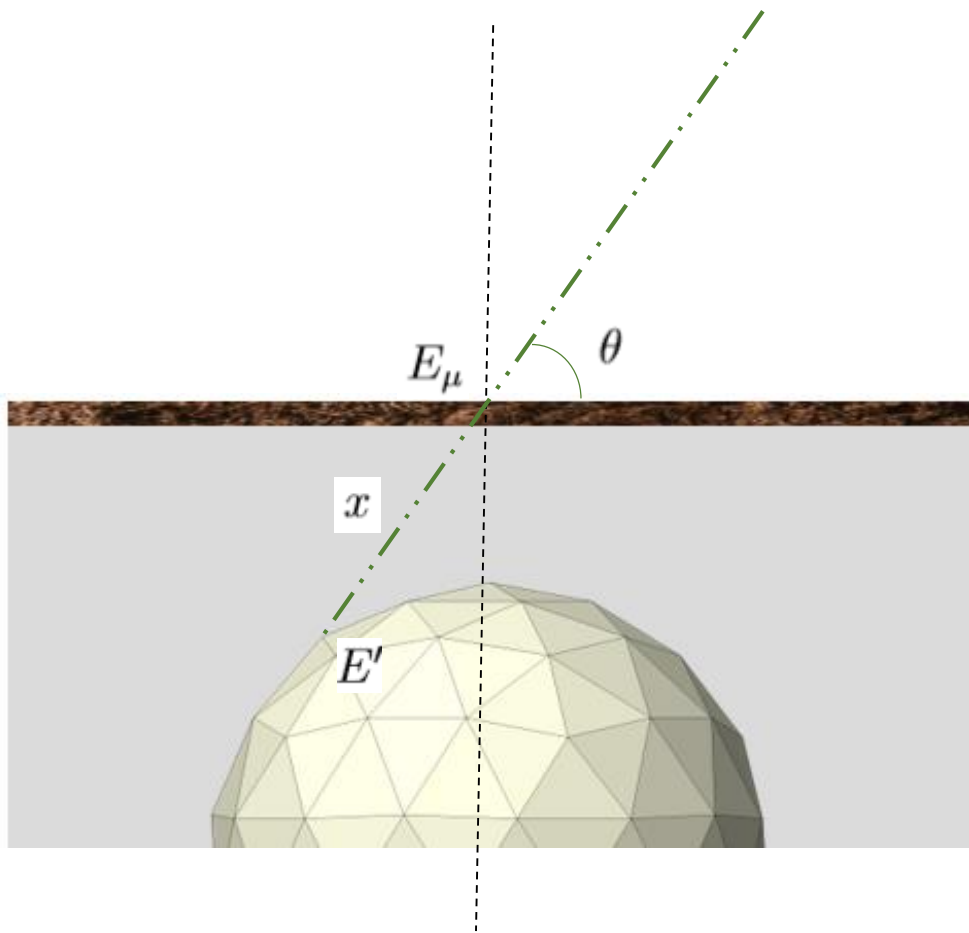
$$\rho = 2.85g \cdot cm^{-3}$$

45% oxygen
26% silicon
9% aluminum
4% iron

$$Z = \frac{0.45Z_{O} + 0.26Z_{Si} + 0.09Z_{Al} + 0.04Z_{Fe}}{0.84} \approx 11.25$$

$$A = \frac{0.45A_{O} + 0.26A_{Si} + 0.09A_{Al} + 0.04A_{Fe}}{0.84} \approx 3.788 \times 10^{-23}g$$

Method



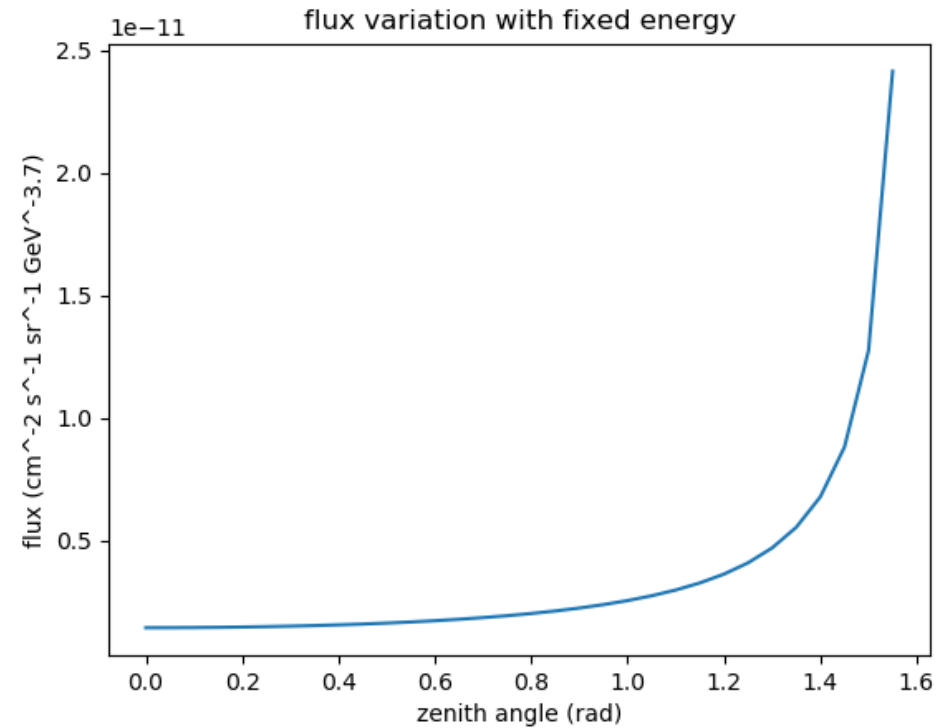
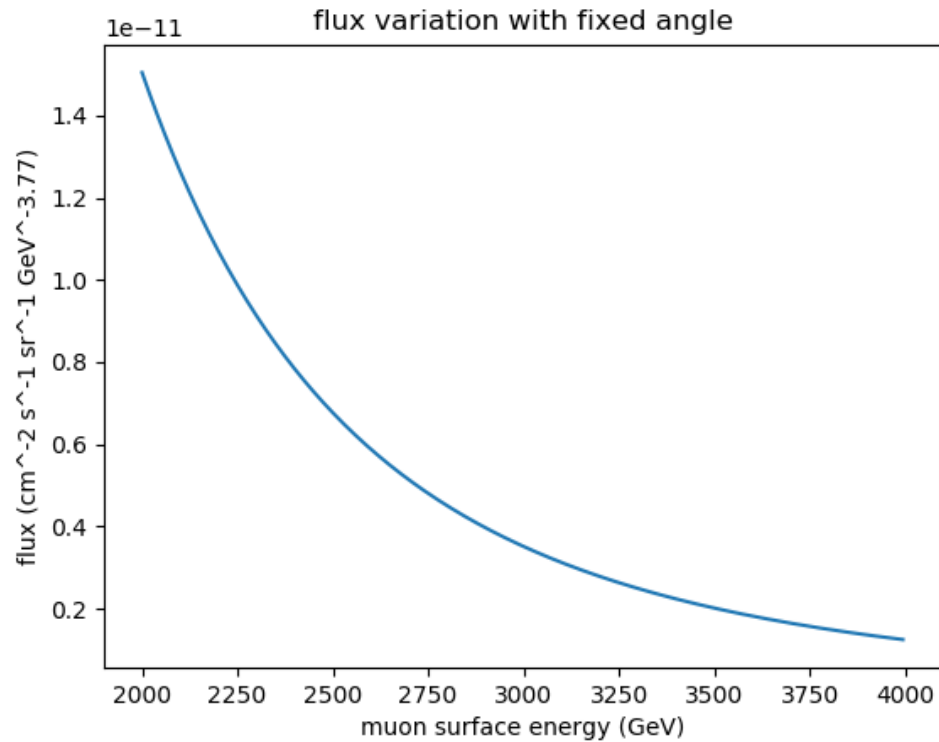
$$\Phi := \frac{dN}{dE} = \frac{0.14(E_\mu/\text{GeV})^{-\gamma}}{\text{cm}^2 \text{ssrGeV}} \left(\frac{1}{1 + \frac{1.1E_\mu \cos\theta}{115\text{GeV}}} + \frac{0.054}{1 + \frac{1.1E_\mu \cos\theta}{850\text{GeV}}} \right)$$

$$= E_\mu^{-2.7} \left(\frac{16.1}{115 + 1.1E_\mu \cos\theta} + \frac{6.426}{850 + 1.1E_\mu \cos\theta} \right)$$

$$-\frac{d\bar{E}}{dx} = \frac{4\pi n z^2}{m_e c^2 \beta^2} \left(\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \right)^2 \left[\ln \left(\frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2}{I(1 - \beta^2)} \right) - \beta^2 \right]$$

Surface flux

$$\Phi = E_{\mu}^{-2.7} \left(\frac{16.1}{115 + 1.1E_{\mu}\cos\theta} + \frac{6.426}{850 + 1.1E_{\mu}\cos\theta} \right) \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{ s}^{-1}\text{ sr}^{-1}\text{ GeV}^{-1.7}$$



Angle fixed: $\pi/4$

Energy fixed: 3.5TeV

Energy is lost: muon interaction with the rock

$$-\frac{\overline{dE}}{dx} = \frac{4\pi n z^2}{m_e c^2 \beta^2} \left(\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \right)^2 \left[\ln \left(\frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2}{I(1-\beta^2)} \right) - \beta^2 \right] \text{ where } n = \frac{N_A Z \rho}{A} \text{ and } I \approx (10\text{eV})Z$$

★ $n = n(r, \phi, \theta) \approx 5.097277933 \times 10^{47} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

★ $\frac{4\pi n z^2}{(4\pi)^2 \epsilon_0^2 m_e c^2} = \frac{n}{4\pi \epsilon_0^2 m_e c^2} = 1.012578065 \times 10^{63} \frac{\text{cm}^{-3}}{\text{eVC}^4 \text{N}^{-2} \text{m}^{-4}} = 1.012578065 \times 10^{69} \frac{1}{\text{m}^{-1} \text{eVC}^4 \text{N}^{-2}}$

★ $\frac{2m_e c^2}{I} = 9084.4 \frac{\text{eV}}{\text{eV}} = 9084.4$

$$d\overline{E}_p := -\frac{\overline{dE}}{dx} \approx \frac{6.672605127 \times 10^{-7}}{\beta^2} \left[\ln \left(9084.44 \frac{\beta^2}{1-\beta^2} \right) - \beta^2 \right] \frac{1}{\text{m}^{-1} \text{eVN}^{-2}}$$

Energy is lost: caution needed

★ $\beta^2 = \beta^2(x)$

★ $E = K + E_0 \rightarrow K$ where $E_0 = m_\mu c^2$.

★ $K = m_\mu c^2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}} - 1 \right) \Rightarrow \beta^2 = \beta^2(K) = 1 - \left(\frac{m_\mu c^2}{K + m_\mu c^2} \right)^2$

The Bethe Formula can thus be expressed as

$$-\frac{dK}{dx} = \xi(K) \text{ being}$$

$$\xi(K) = \frac{6.672605127 \times 10^{-7}}{1 - \left(\frac{m_\mu c^2}{K + m_\mu c^2} \right)^2} \left\{ \ln \left[9084.44 \frac{1 - \left(\frac{m_\mu c^2}{K + m_\mu c^2} \right)^2}{\left(\frac{m_\mu c^2}{K + m_\mu c^2} \right)^2} \right] + \left(\frac{m_\mu c^2}{K + m_\mu c^2} \right)^2 - 1 \right\}$$

Energy is lost: what we ‘just’ need to solve

$$-\frac{dK}{dx} = \frac{2.6 \times 10^{25}}{1 - \frac{11172.49}{(K+105.7)^2}} \ln \left[9084.44 \frac{1 - \frac{11172.49}{(K+105.7)^2}}{\frac{11172.49}{(K+105.7)^2}} \right] - 2.6 \times 10^{25} \implies$$
$$\implies |dK| = \int_0^{x(\theta)} \left\{ \frac{2.6 \times 10^{25}}{1 - \frac{11172.49}{(K+105.7)^2}} \ln \left[9084.44 \frac{1 - \frac{11172.49}{(K+105.7)^2}}{\frac{11172.49}{(K+105.7)^2}} \right] - 2.6 \times 10^{25} \right\} dx$$

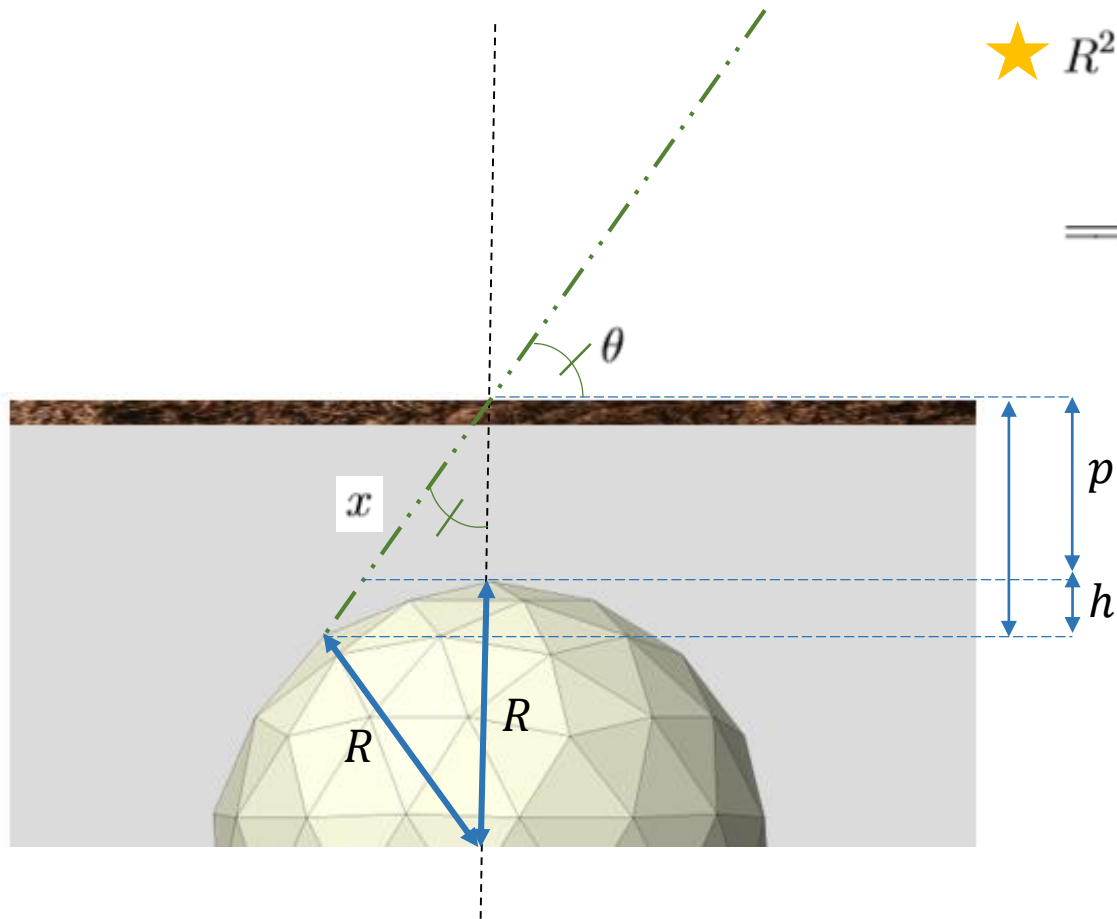
where $E_0 = 105.7 \text{ MeV}$;

and $6.672605127 \times 10^{-7} \text{ mN}^2/\text{eV} \approx 2.599409161 \times 10^{25} \text{ MeV/m} \approx 2.6 \times 10^{25} \text{ MeV/m}$.

Energy is lost: distance traveled by the muon

$$\star R^2 = x^2 \sin^2 \theta + (R - h)^2 \Leftrightarrow h^2 - 2Rh + x^2 \sin^2 \theta = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow h = \frac{2R \pm \sqrt{4R^2 - 4x^2 \sin^2 \theta}}{2} \Rightarrow h = R - \sqrt{R^2 - x^2 \sin^2 \theta}$$



$$\star x \cos \theta = p + R - \sqrt{R^2 - x^2 \sin^2 \theta} \Rightarrow$$

$$x = x(\theta) = (p + R) \cos \theta \pm \sqrt{(p + R)^2 \cos^2 \theta - p(p + 2R)}$$

which only gives

$$x = x(\theta) = 2092 \cos \theta - \sqrt{4376464 \cos^2 \theta - 4376384.79}$$

that **cannot** be correct!

Final remarks: a numerical job

Let $a := 2.6 \times 10^{25} \text{ MeV}/m$, $b := 11172.49(\text{MeV})^2$, $c := 105.7 \text{ MeV}$, $d := 9084.44$

$$\star \quad -\frac{dK}{dx} = \xi(K) \implies \frac{-dK}{\xi(K)} = dx \implies \int \frac{-dK}{\xi(K)} = \int dx \quad \text{for } \xi(K) \neq 0$$

$$\text{but } \frac{1}{\xi(K)} = \frac{(K+c)^2 - b}{a \left\{ (K+c)^2 \left[\ln \left(\frac{d((K+c)^2 - b)}{b} \right) - 1 \right] + b \right\}}$$

★ Taylor expansion? **Better not**

$$\star \quad \text{So we are left with } |dK| = \int_0^{2092 \cos \theta - \sqrt{4376464 \cos^2 \theta - 4376384.79}} \left[\frac{a}{1 - \frac{b}{(K+c)^2}} \ln \left(d \frac{1 - \frac{b}{(K+c)^2}}{\frac{b}{(K+c)^2}} \right) - a \right] dx$$

and a *python* program eager to be run!

Thank You