

# Quality parameters for atmospheric neutrino separation

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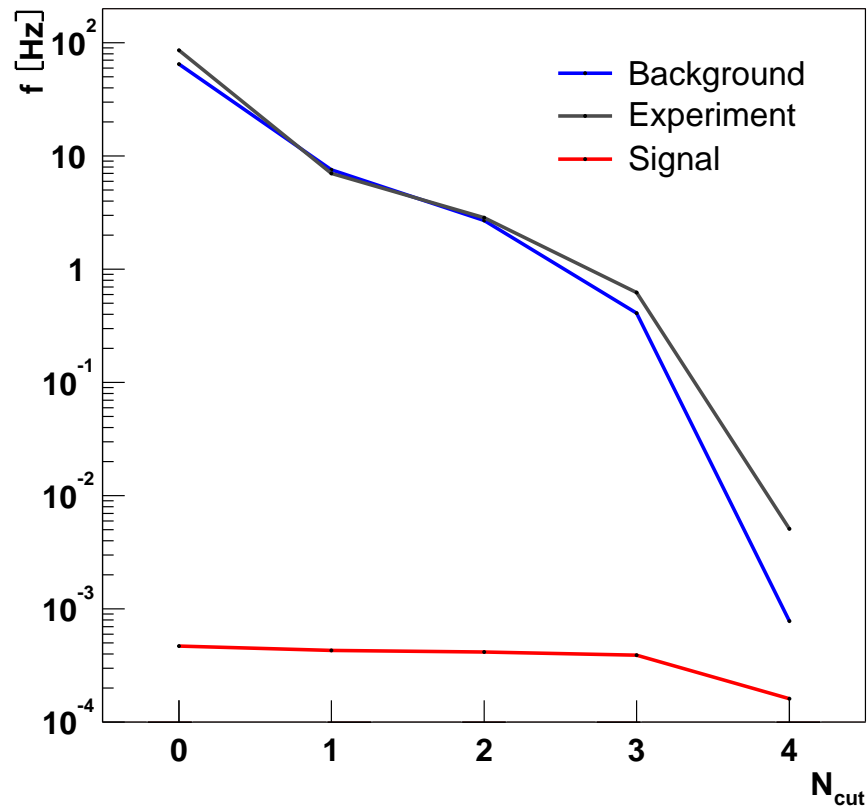
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# Overview

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  - Background extrapolation
  - Energy reconstruction
  - Comparison to AMANDA-B10

# Standard analysis



## Data samples

Experimental data : 43.2 days

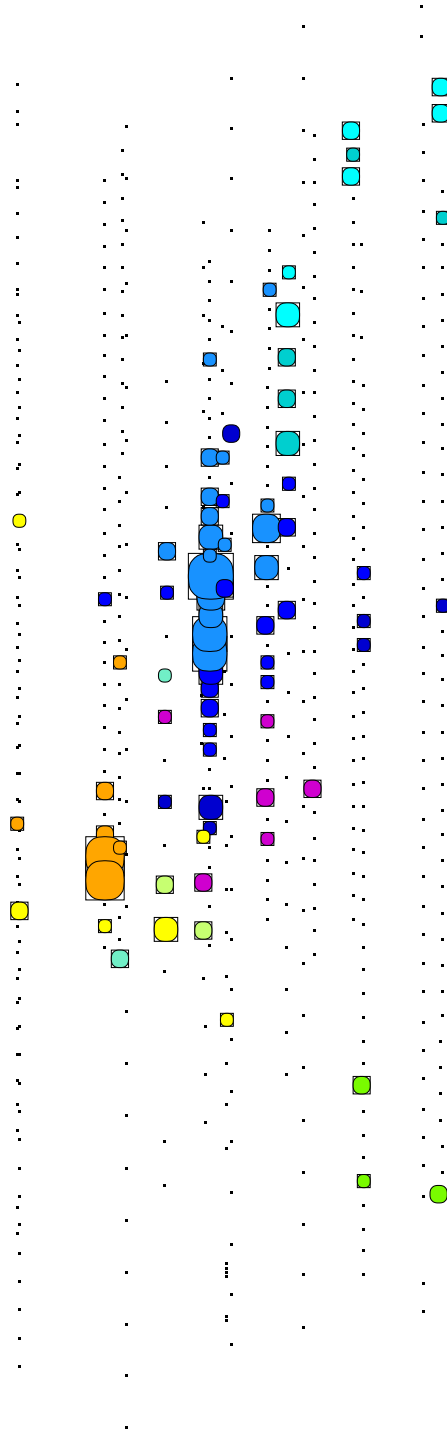
Background simulation : 1.16 days

Signal simulation : 110 days

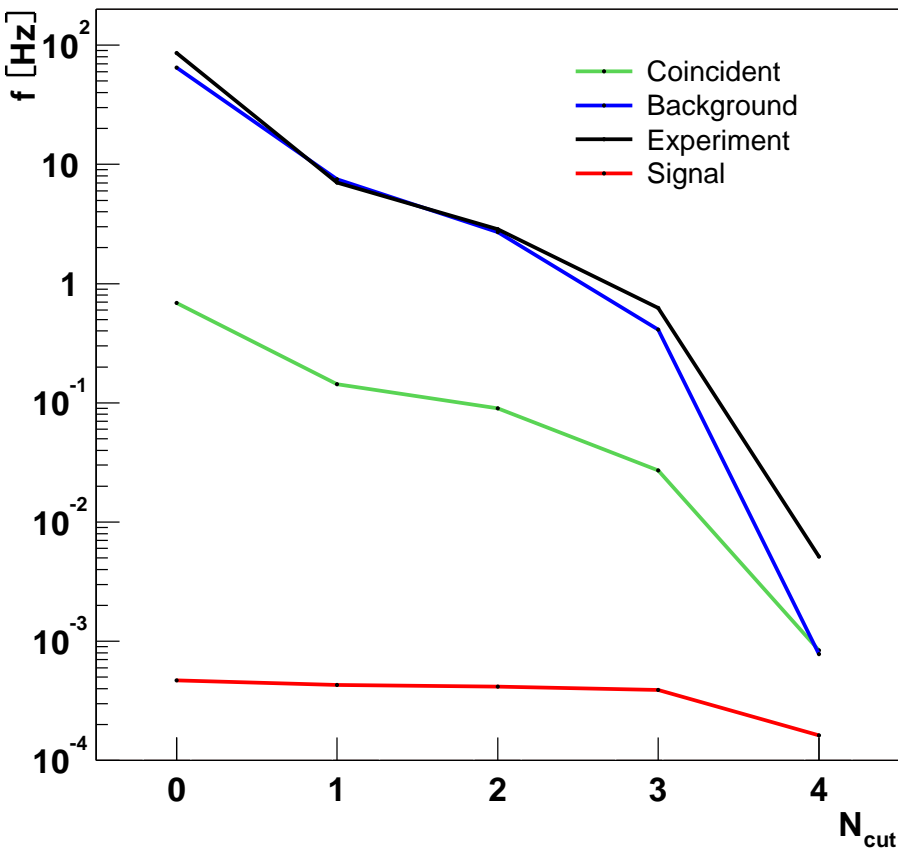
## Zenith angle selections

1.  $\max(\theta_{DW}, \theta_{LF}) > 70^\circ$
2.  $\max(\theta_{LK}^{[1]}(DW), \theta_{LK}^{[1]}(LF)) > 80^\circ$
3.  $\theta_{LK}^{[16]} > 80^\circ$
4.  $\theta_{bayes} > 90^\circ$

# Coincident muon candidate



# Coincident muons



⇒ difficult to handle :  ~~$\theta_{\text{bayes}}$  - Cut~~

## Simulation

- air shower
- muon propagation
- merge events ( $\Delta t = \pm 5 \mu\text{s}$ )
- detector response

## Rate calculation

$$f_{\text{coinc } \mu} \approx f_{\text{atm. } \mu}^2 \cdot \Delta t$$

$$f_{\text{coinc } \mu} = 0.69 \text{ Hz}$$

## Data sample

Coincident simulation : 18.6 days

# Topological parameters

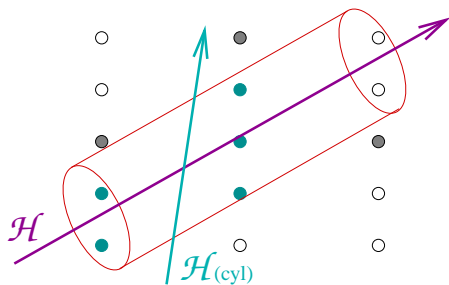
Investigate hit pattern  $\mathcal{T}$  relative to the track hypothesis  $\mathcal{H}$

## Cylinder

$$\rho = 50 \text{ m}$$

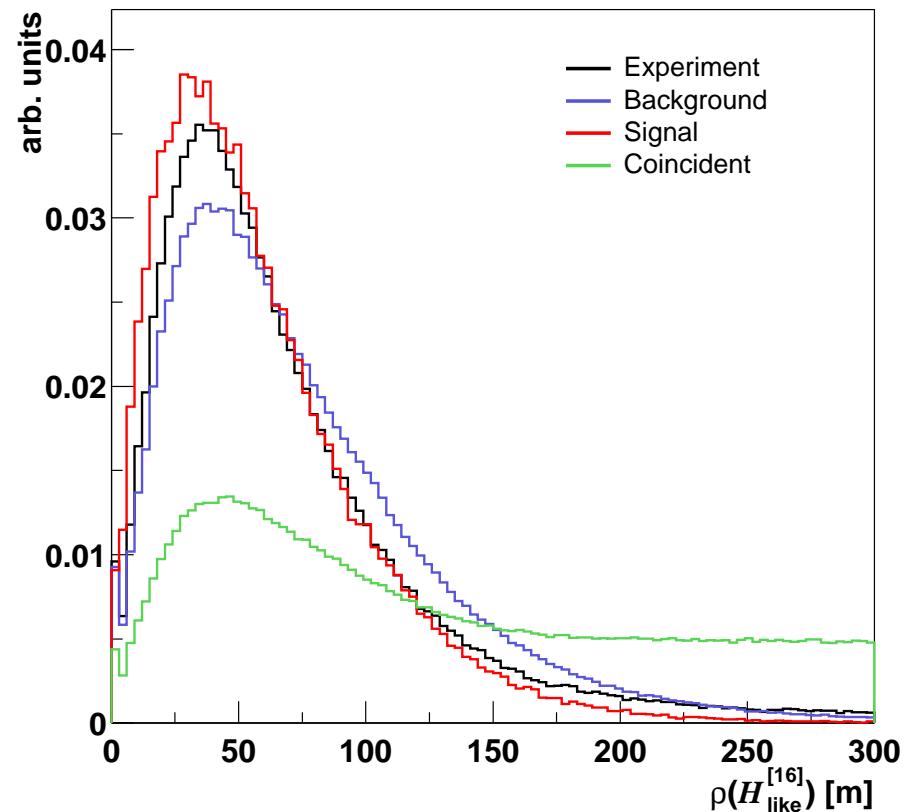
## Parameters

- number of hits in cylinder
- fraction of hits in cylinder
- *smoothness* of hits



## Reconstruction

Full reconstruction using *only* hits in the cylinder

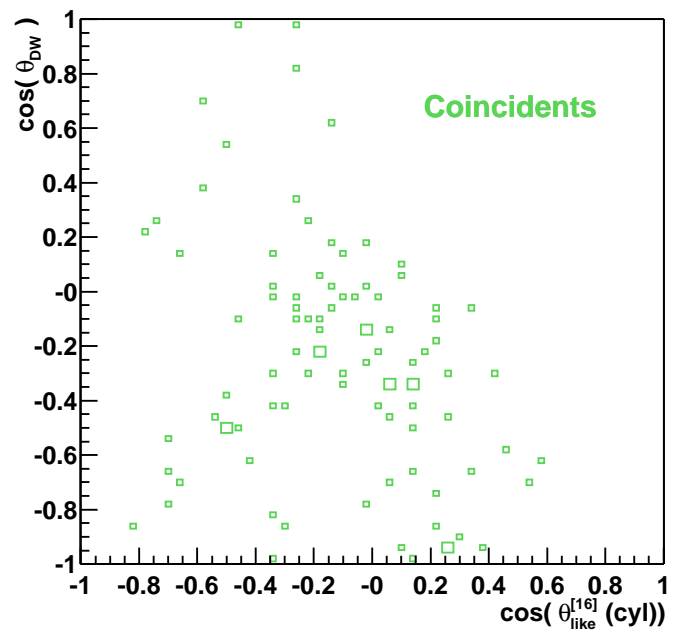
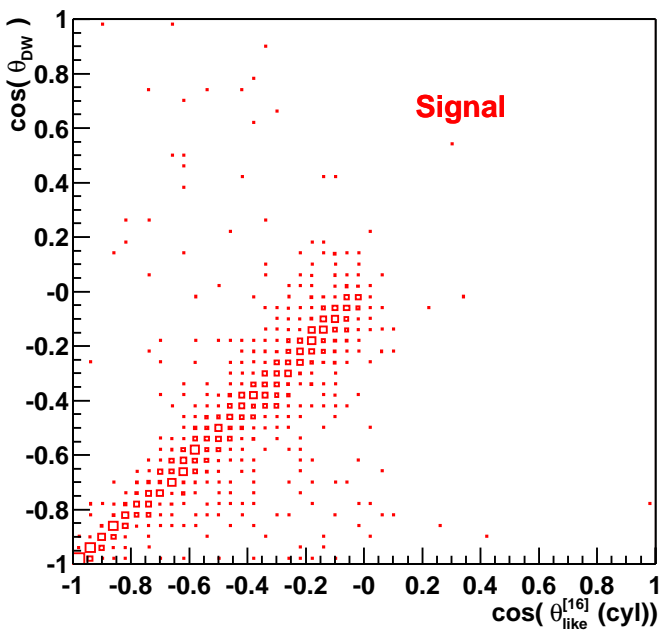
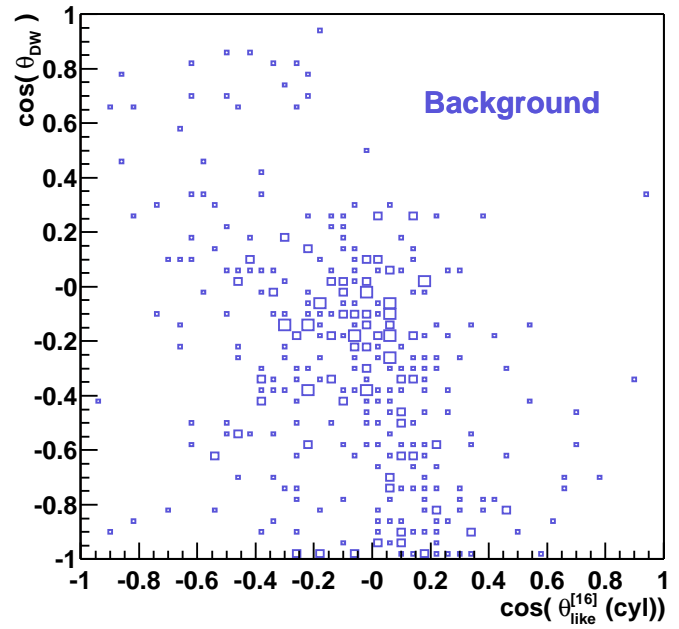
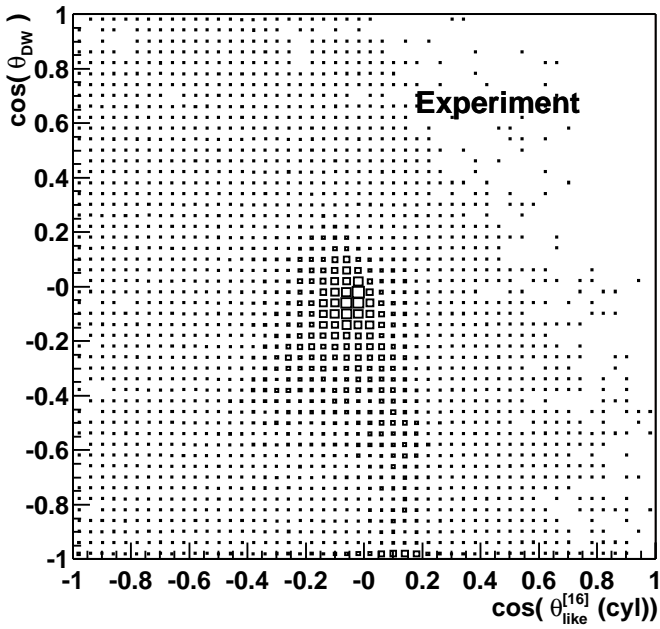


$\rightsquigarrow$  Suppression of coincident muon events by a factor of  $\sim 10$

# Quality parameters

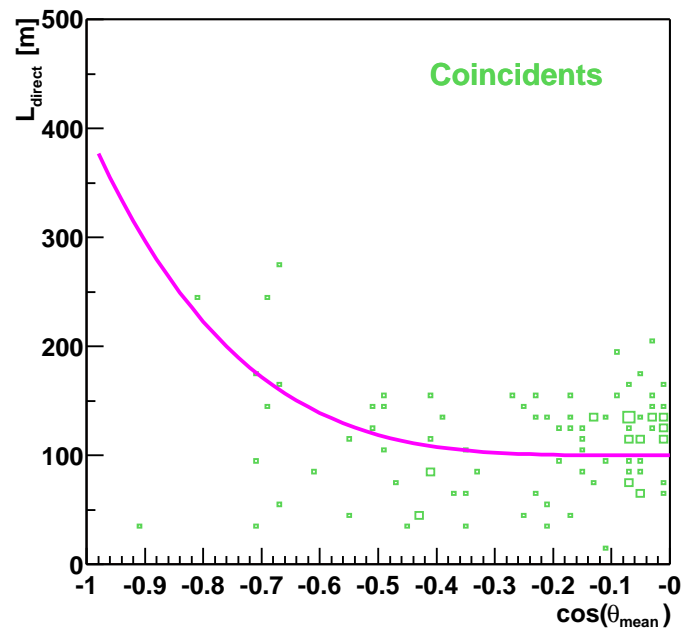
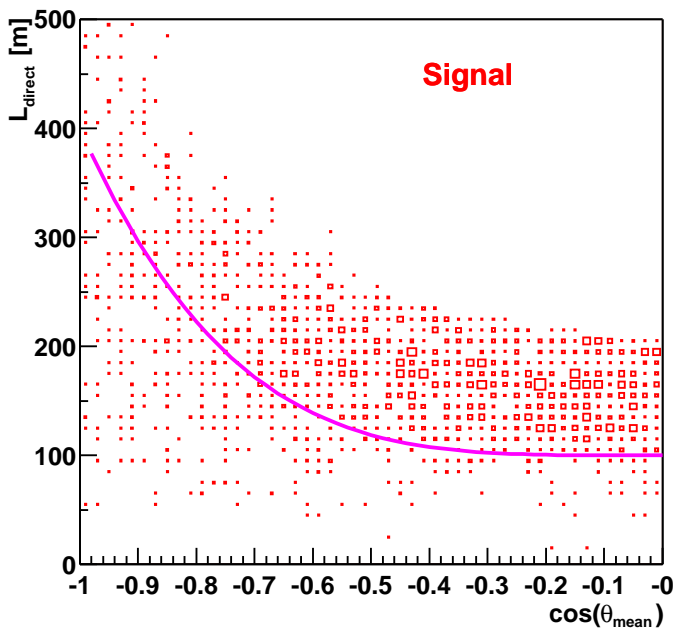
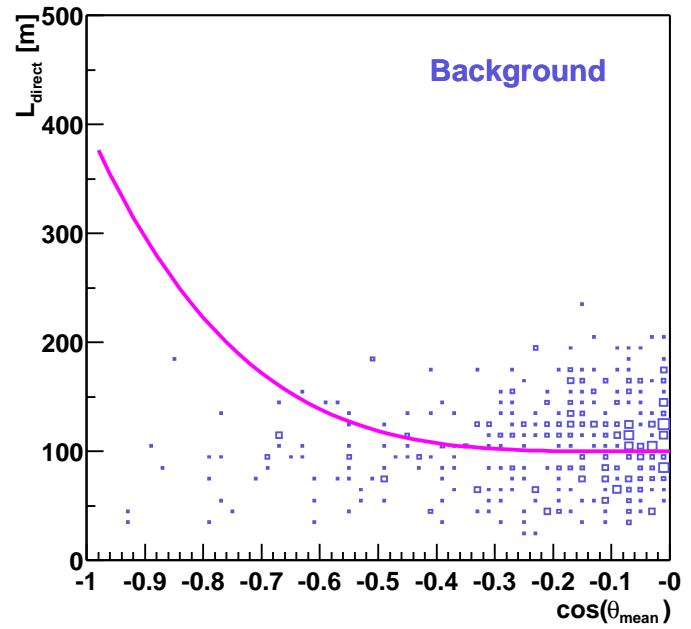
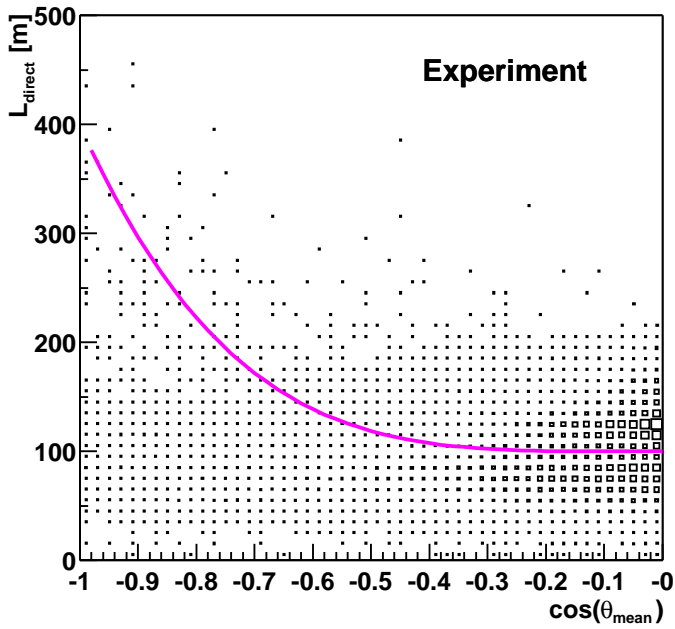
- À Low number of simulated background events
  - ↪ combine observables into **one quality** parameter
  - ↪ background extrapolation possible
- ˘ Simulations and experimental data do not match for many observables
  - ↪ use **correlations** of observables which are **equally** affected.
- ˘ Minimize influence of systematic effects
  - ↪ **systematic checks** using well reconstructed **downgoing** muon events.

# Correlations



Correlation of different track reconstructions

# Correlations



Correlation of track length and incident angle

# Systematic checks

**Reference**  $\theta_{mean} > 90^\circ$

**Signal** : good events

**Upward tracks**  $\theta_{mean} > 90^\circ$

**Background** : fake events

Experiment : mostly fake events

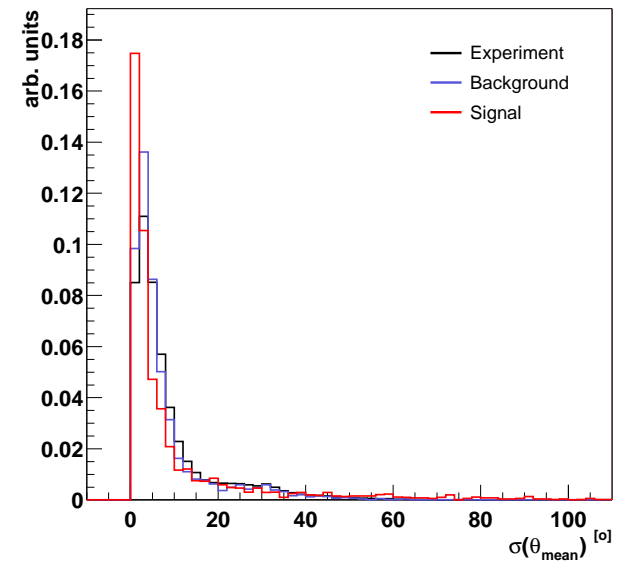
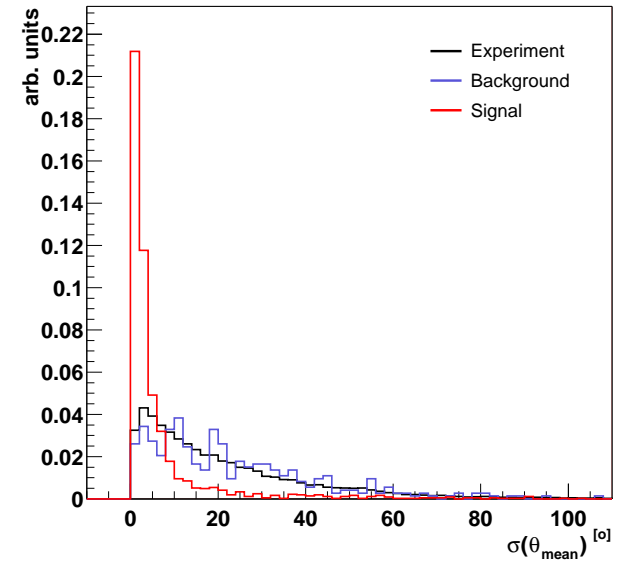
⇒ only **background** and experiment match

**Horizontal tracks**  $\theta_{mean} = 80^\circ \pm 5^\circ$

**Background** : good events

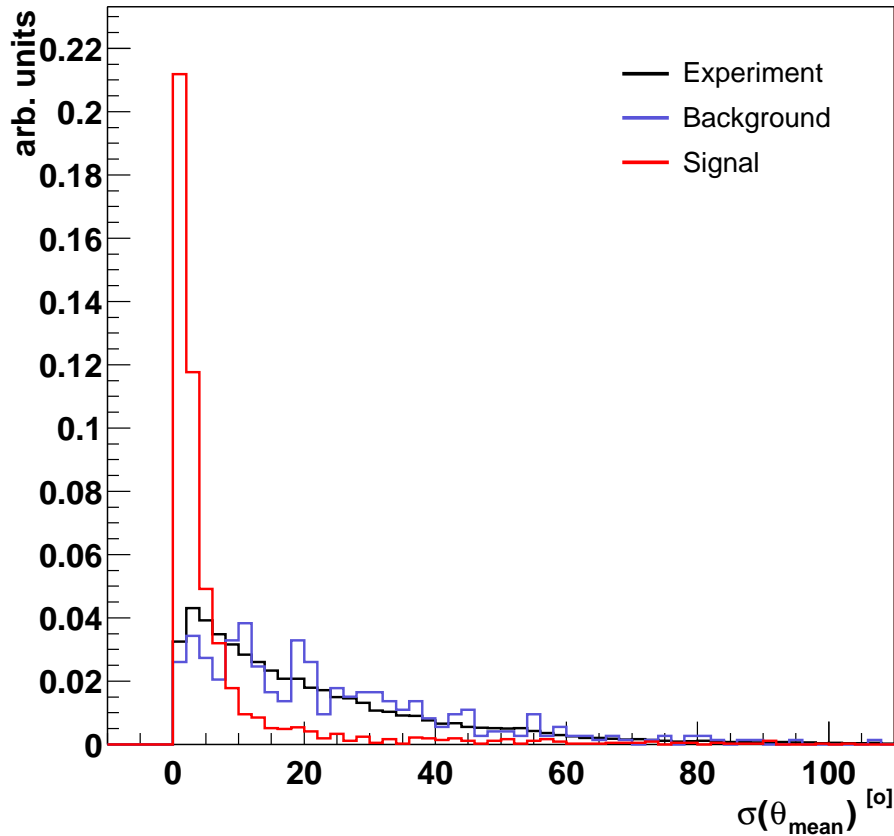
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⇒ matching of **background**, experiment and **signal**



# Final variables

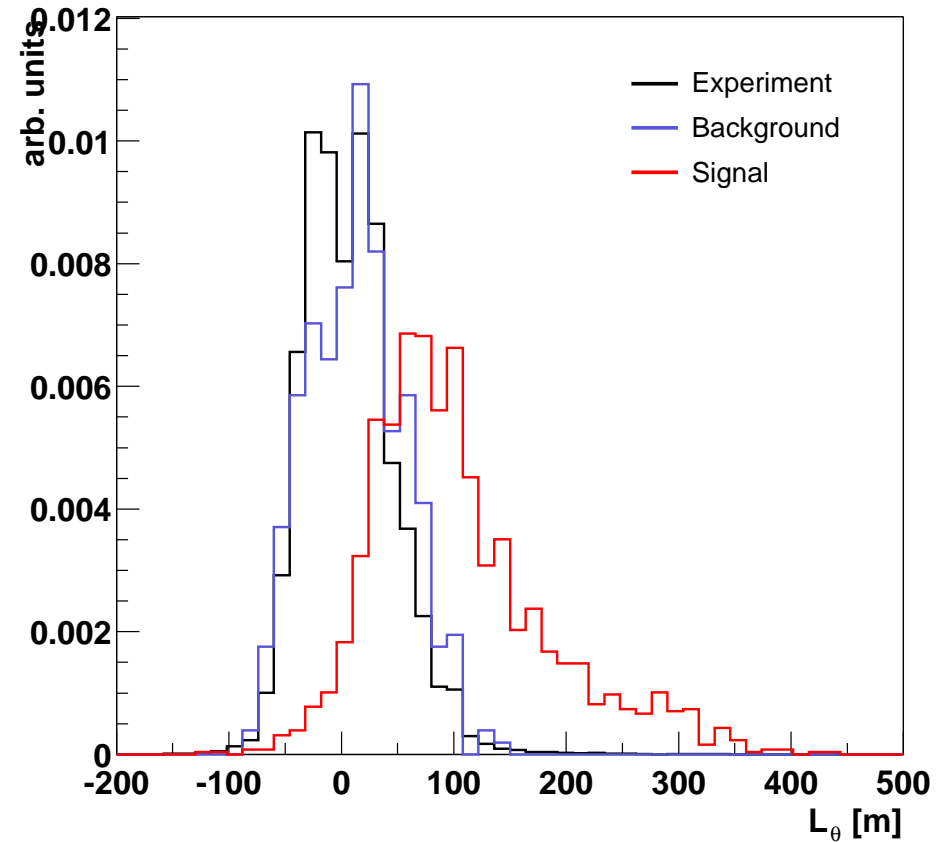
## Stability of reconstruction



$$\sigma(\theta_{mean}) := \sqrt{\langle \theta_j^2 \rangle - \langle \theta_j \rangle^2}$$

$$j \in \{DW, Lk^{[1]}, Lk^{[16]}, Lk^{[16]}(cyl)\}$$

## Detector aspect ratio

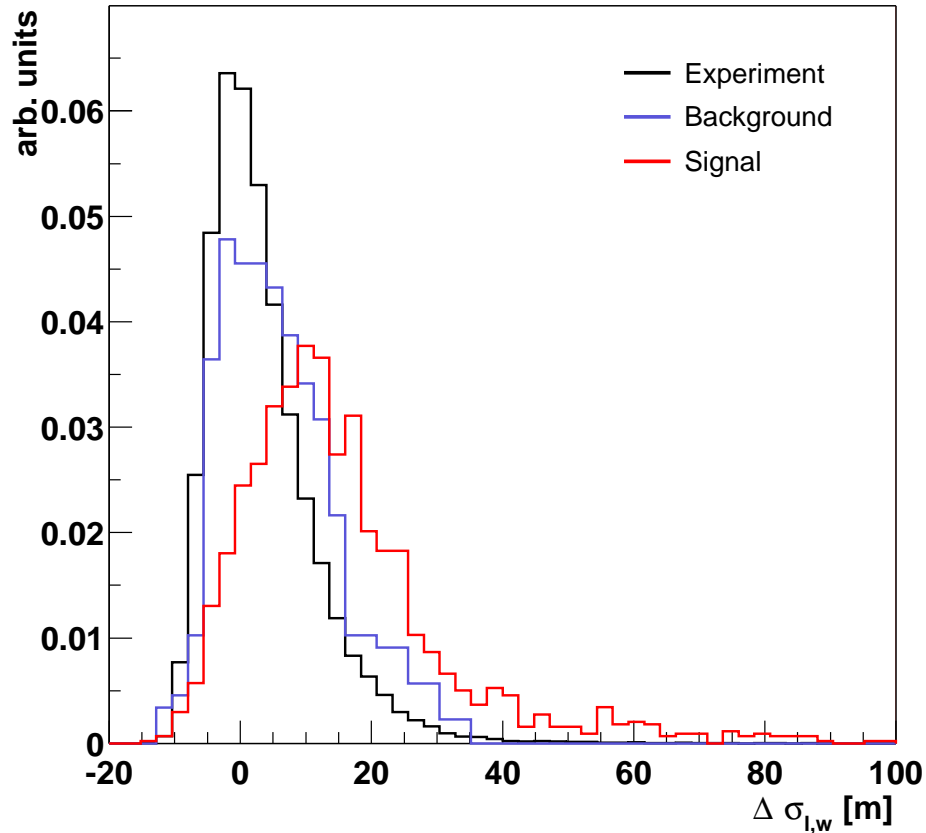


$$L_\theta := L_{direct} - (a \cdot \cos(\theta_{mean})^4 + b)$$

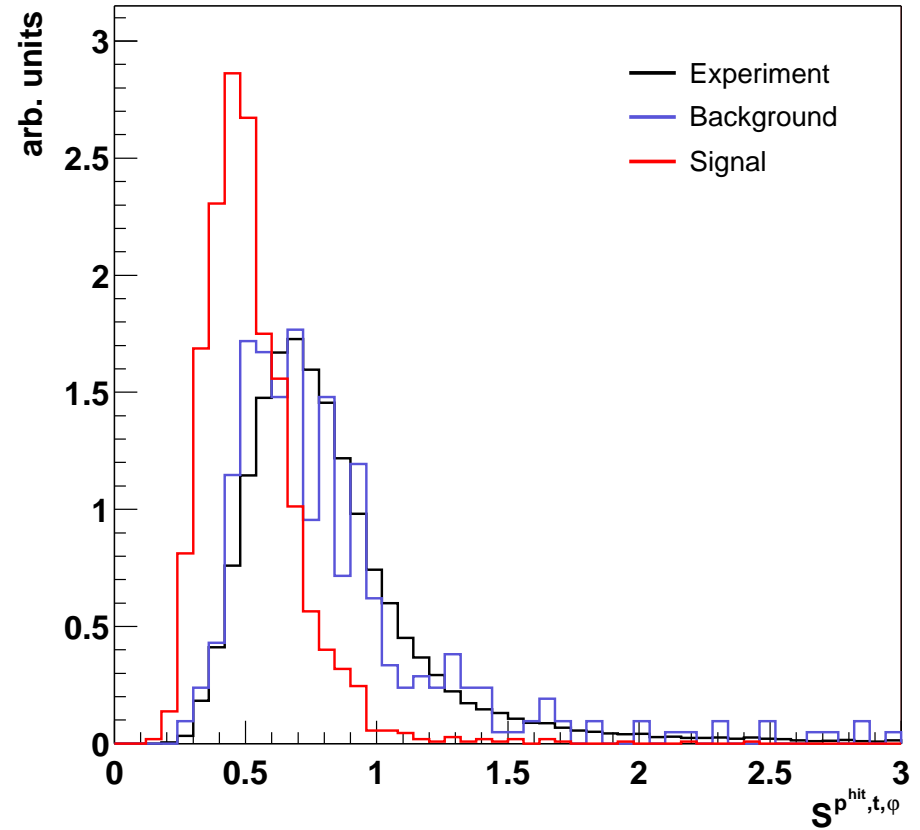
$$a, b = \text{const}$$

# Final variables

## Spread of hits



## Smoothnesses



$$\Delta\sigma_{l,w} := \sqrt{\sum z^2} - \sqrt{\sum x^2 + y^2}$$

$x, y, z$  in TOI system

$$S := \sqrt{\left(S_{direct}^{p^{hit}}\right)^2 + \left(S^{\phi(cyl)}\right)^2 + \left(S_{direct}^t\right)^2}$$

along                      around                      time

# Parameter probability

## Fit distributions

$$f(x)^{(j)} = \alpha (x + \delta)^\beta \cdot e^{-\gamma x} \quad j \in \text{sig, back, coinc}$$

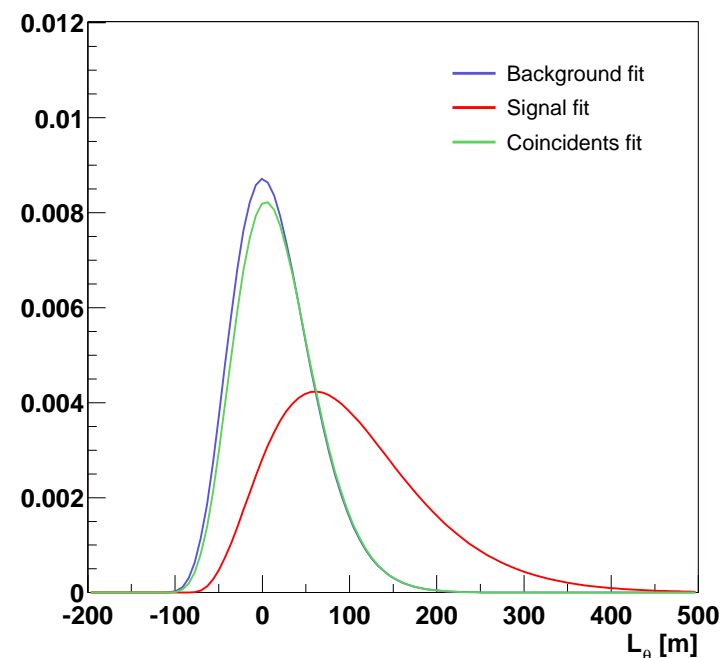
## BAYES theorem

$$P(j|x) = \frac{P(j) \cdot P(x|j)}{P(x)}$$

- $P(j) = 1 \quad \forall j$
- $P(x) = \sum_j P(x|j)$
- $P(x|j) = f(x)^{(j)}$

## Probability density

$$P(j|x) = \frac{f^{(j)}(x)}{\sum_k f^{(k)}(x)} \quad j, k \in \text{sig, back, coinc}$$



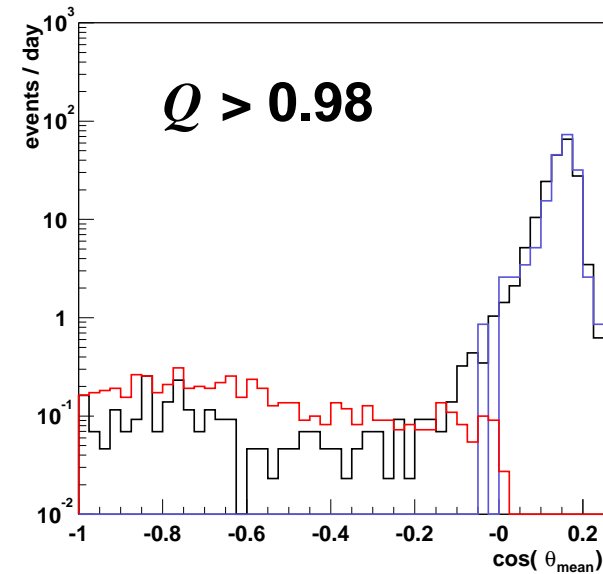
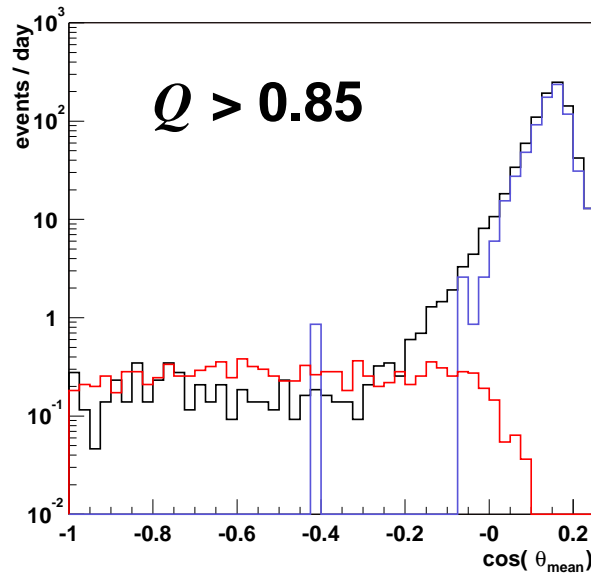
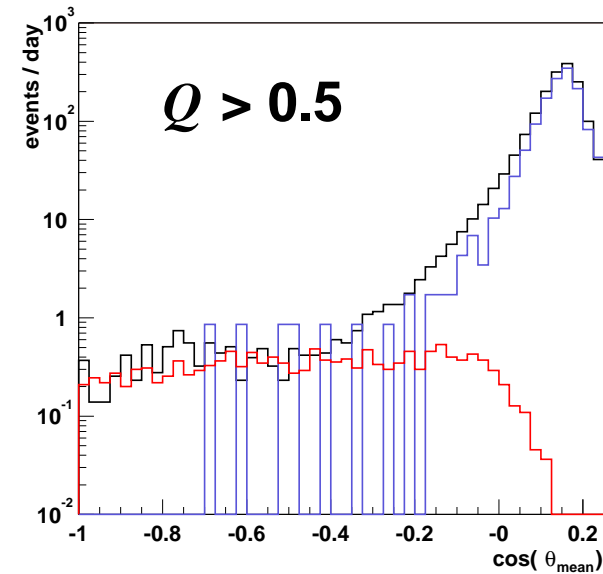
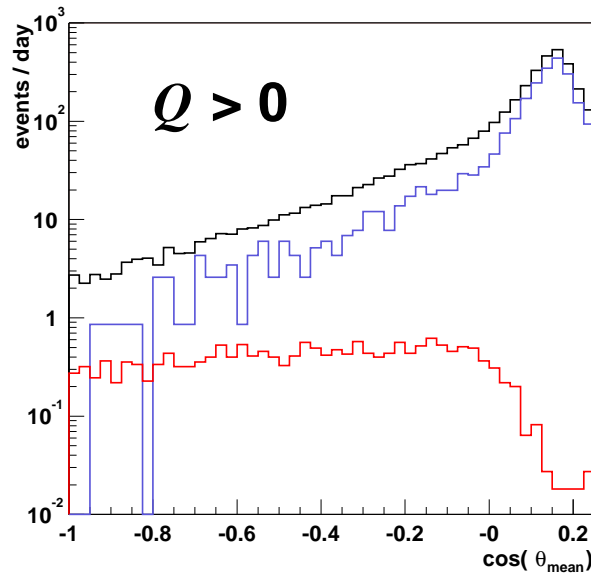
# Quality parameter

Combine parameters

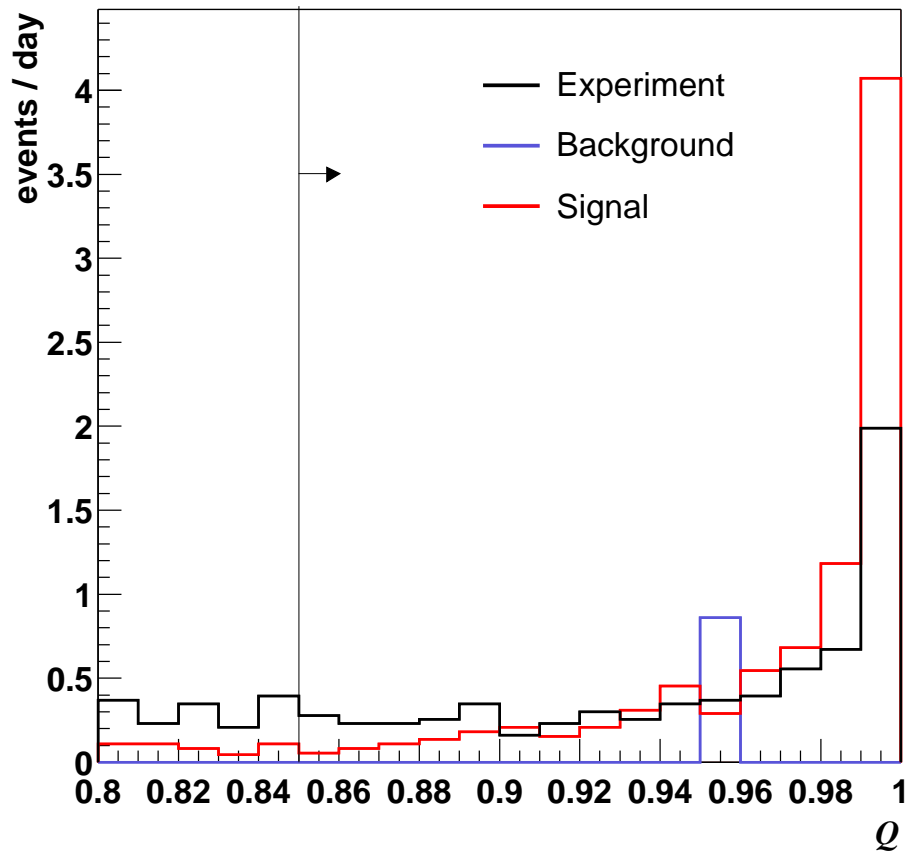
$$Q(\vec{x}) = \frac{\prod_i P_i(\text{sig}|\vec{x})}{\sum_j \prod_i P_i(j|\vec{x})}$$

$$i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$$

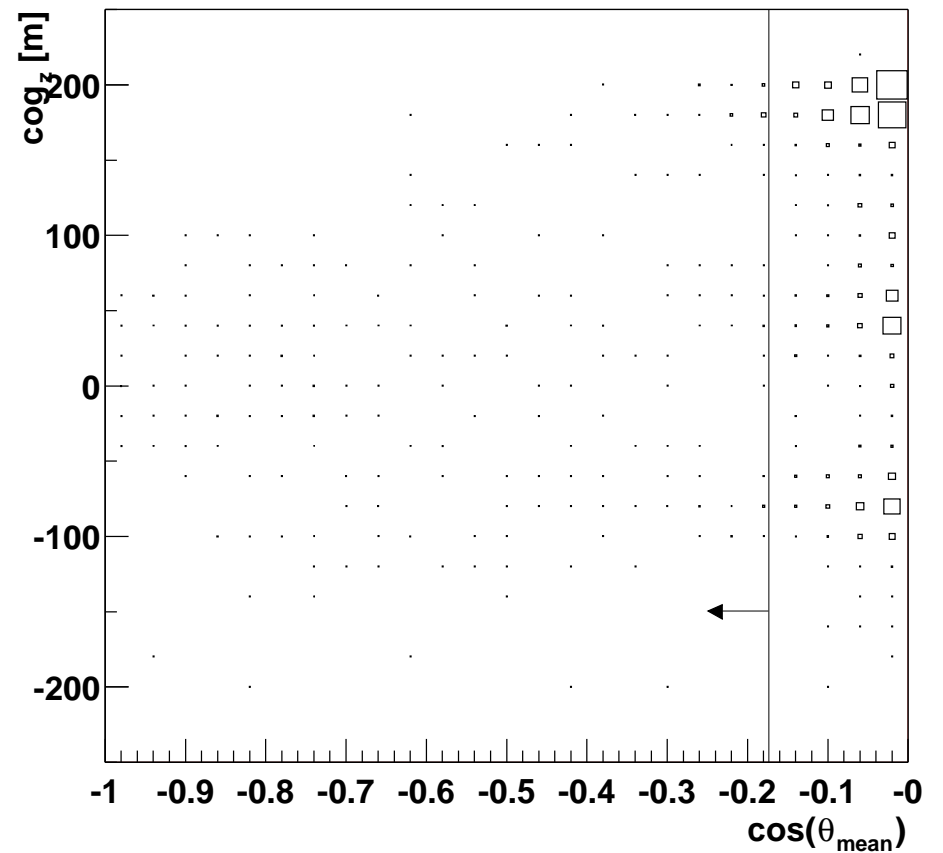
$$j \in \text{sig, back, coinc}$$



# Final Cuts



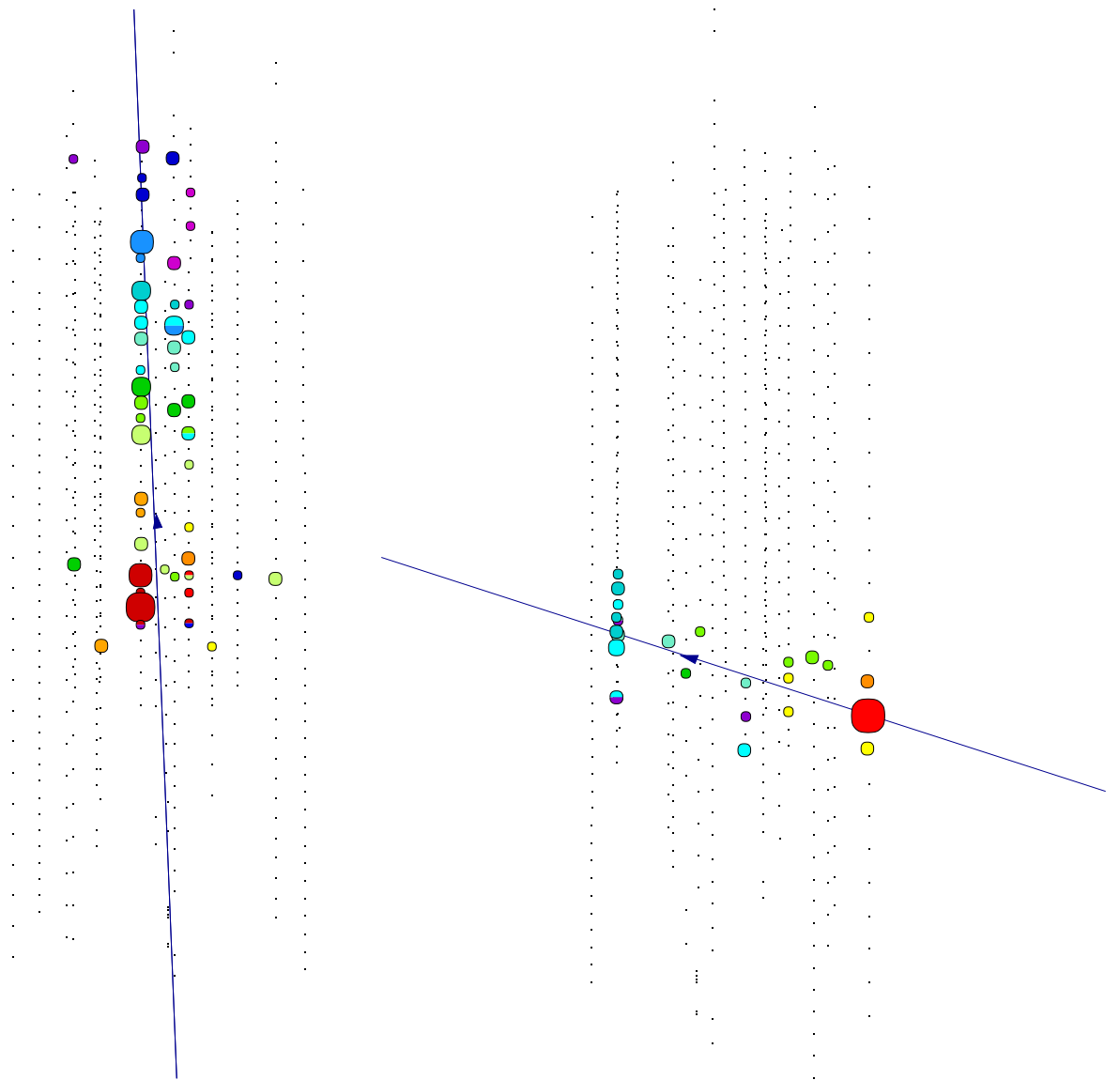
$$Q > 0.85$$



$$\theta_{\text{mean}} > 100$$

# Results

# Neutrino candidates



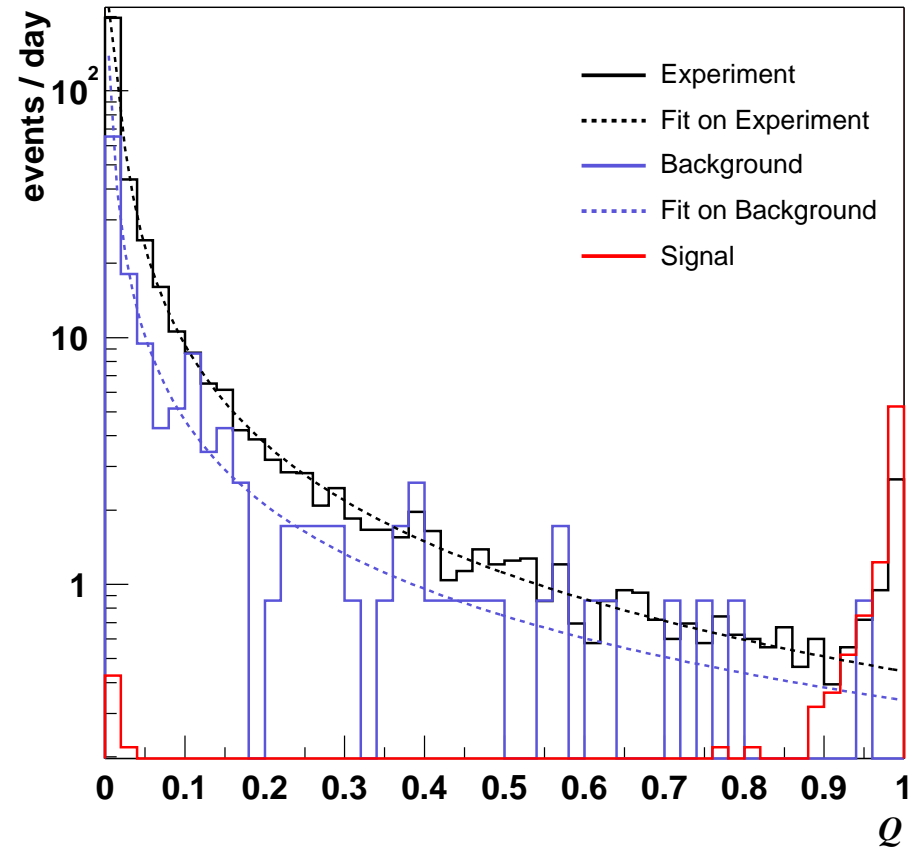
# Background extrapolation

## Fit

$$N^{BG}(Q) = N_0^{BG} \frac{1}{Q^\alpha}$$

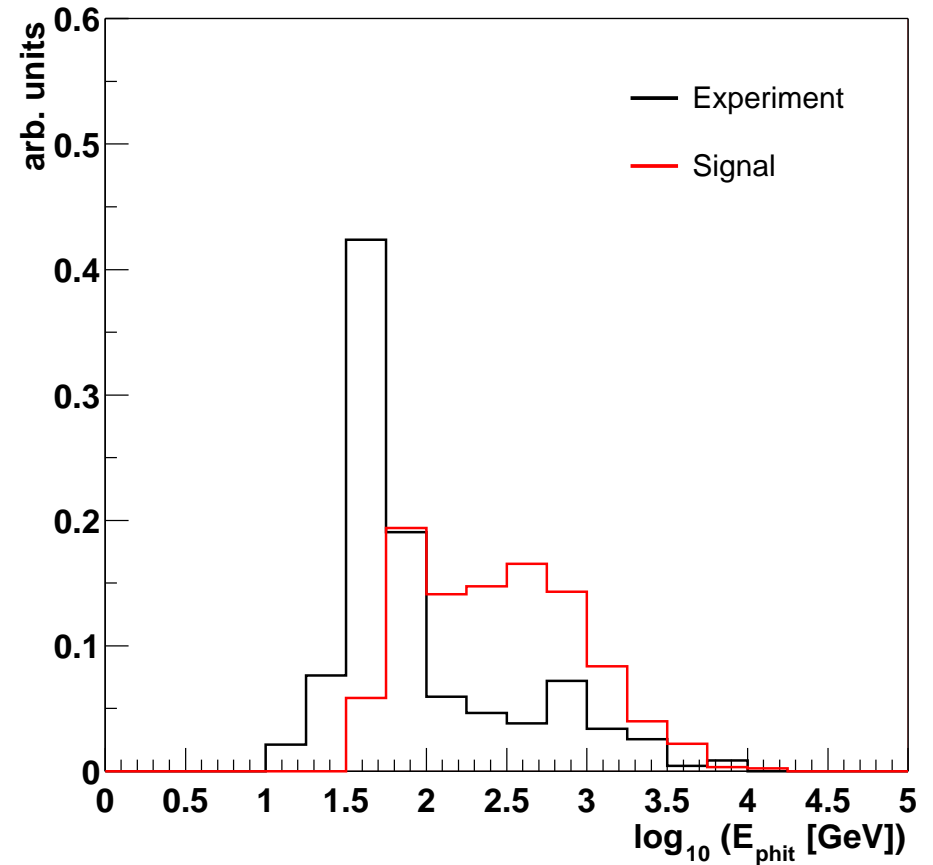
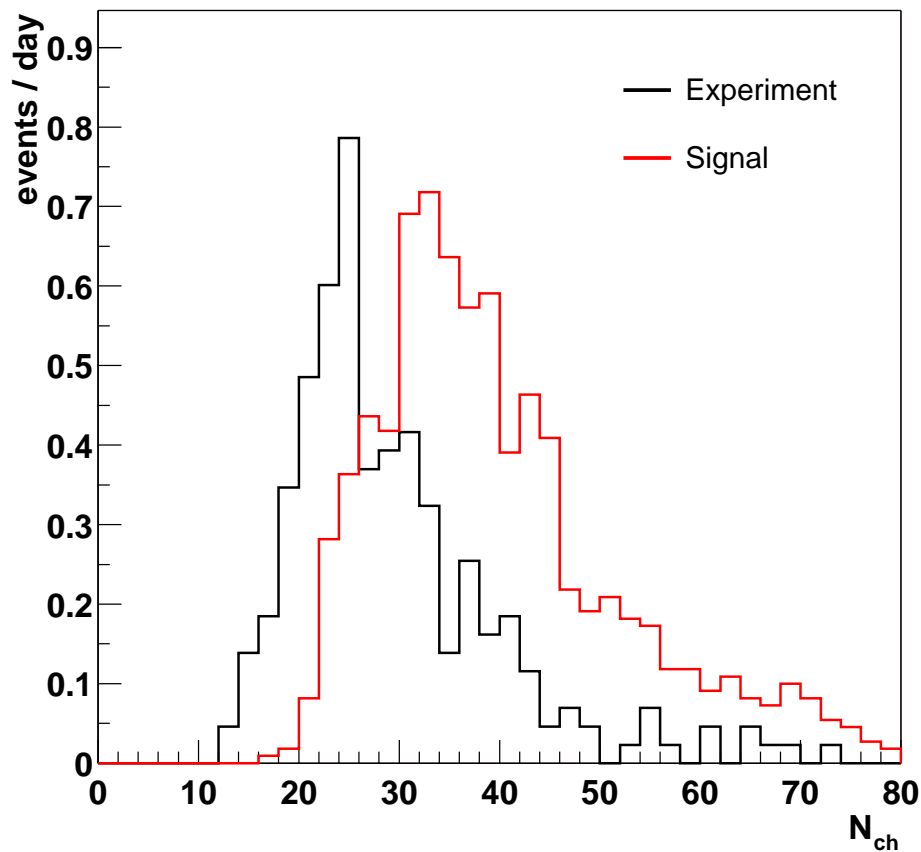
## Event rates

	$N_{events}$	$f$ [ $\text{day}^{-1}$ ]
Signal	908	8.25
Background	1	0.9
Fit background	(120)	2.8
Fit experiment	(160)	3.7
Experiment	236	5.45
Coincident	4	0.2



75% deficit in neutrino rate

# Energy reconstruction



**Problem:** Filewise OM-selection  $\rightsquigarrow$   $N_{ch}$  systematically lower  
**but** shape seems okay

# Energy spectrum

## Neural Network *by Heiko Geenen*

- 6 input - 3 hidden - 1 output neurons
- trained with flat spectrum
- six input parameters

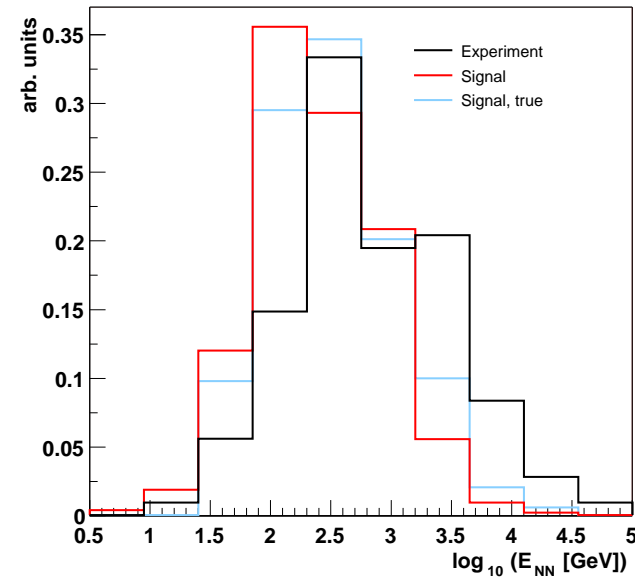
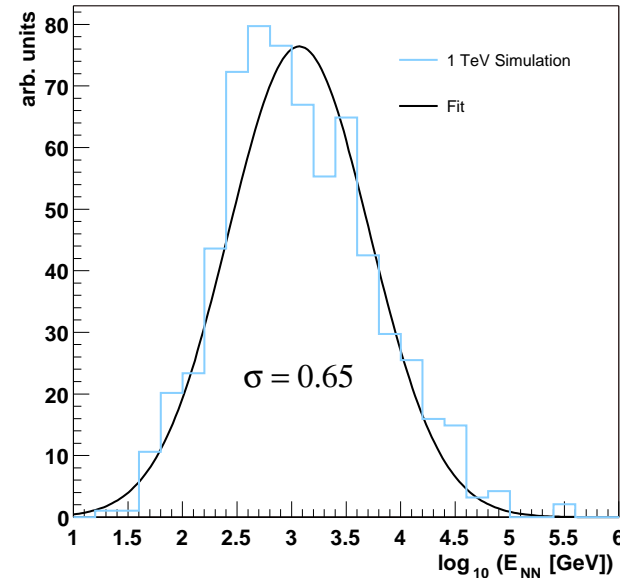
$$\begin{array}{l}
 \langle A_{calib} \rangle \\
 \langle LE \rangle \\
 \sigma (LE)
 \end{array}
 \quad
 \begin{array}{l}
 N_{ch}^{[1]} \\
 N_{ch} \\
 \underbrace{\log_{10} (N_{hit})}
 \end{array}$$

fudge factor  $\times 1.25$

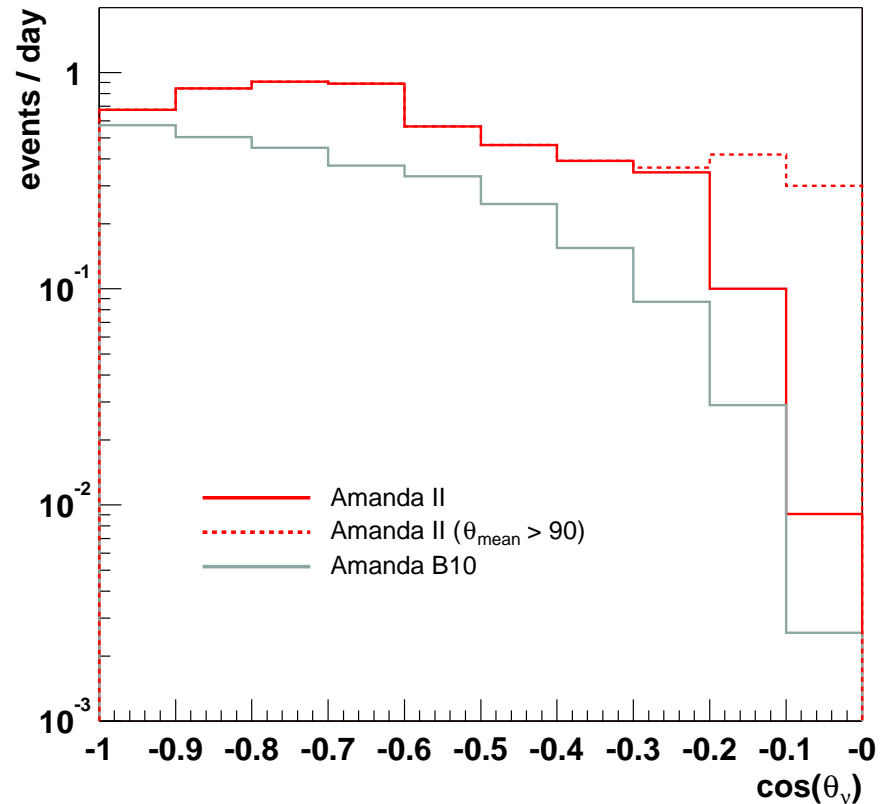
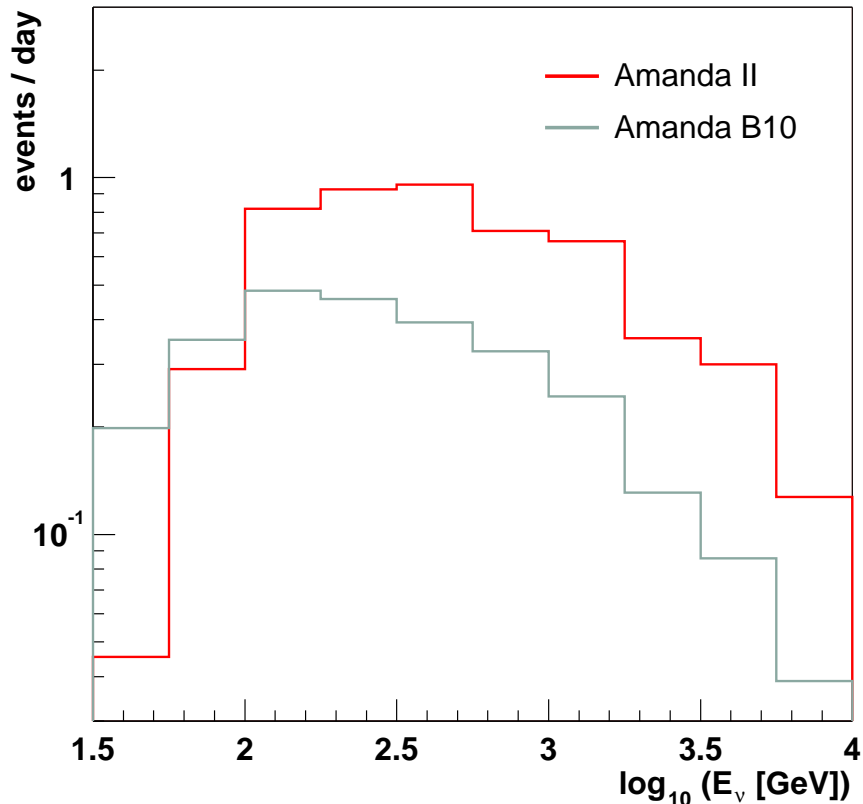
- Energy resolution

$E_{mono}$	100 GeV	1 TeV	10 TeV	100 TeV
$\sigma (\log_{10}(E_{NN}))$	0.53	0.65	0.65	0.61

à energy estimate possible



## Comparison to AMANDA-B10



Different systematics  $\rightsquigarrow$  compare **signal** at same background level ( $< 15\%$ )

Increased sensitivity to **higher energies** and to the **horizon**

# Summary

- **Coincident muons**

- 4 identified
- 4 simulated
- 4 suppressed

- Small number of parameters
  - ↳ **Simplification** of analysis

- Quality parameter
  - ↳ Background **extrapolation**

- Neural network
  - ↳ Energy **estimate**

## Needs more investigation

- 8 Poorly described variables
- 8 Neutrino deficit

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