

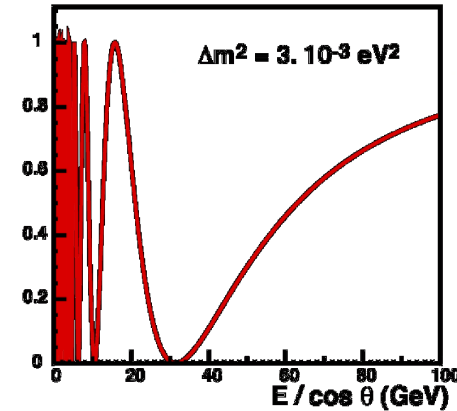
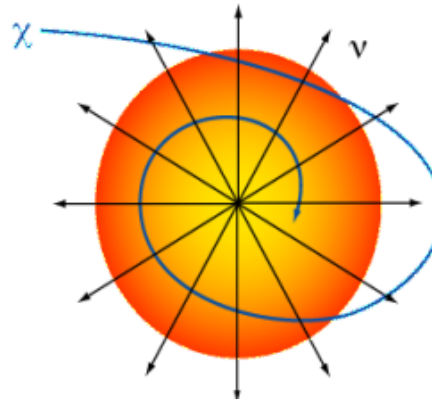
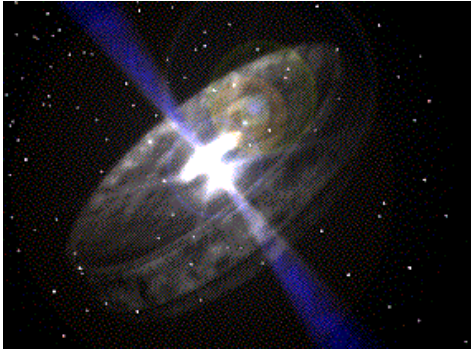
# Deep-sea neutrino telescopes: oportunities for Earh and Sea Siences



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# Neutrino telescopes: science scope



High Energy  
 $E_\nu > 1 \text{ TeV}$

Medium Energy  
 $10 \text{ GeV} < E_\nu < 1 \text{ TeV}$

Low Energy

$10 \text{ GeV} < E_\nu < 100 \text{ GeV}$

$\nu$  from extra-terrestrial  
sources

Dark matter search

$\nu$  oscillations

Origin and production  
mechanism of HE CR

↓  
Primary goal

Exotic particle physics  
Monopoles, nuclearites,...

Marine & Earth sciences: oceanography, biology, geology...

# Reconstruction of muon trajectory

Natural radiator is low cost and allows huge instrumented regions

- Deep sea or lake
- Deep clear Ice

Detection of Cherenkov light emitted by muons with a 3D array of PMTs

Requires a large ( $\text{km}^3$ ) dark transparent detection medium

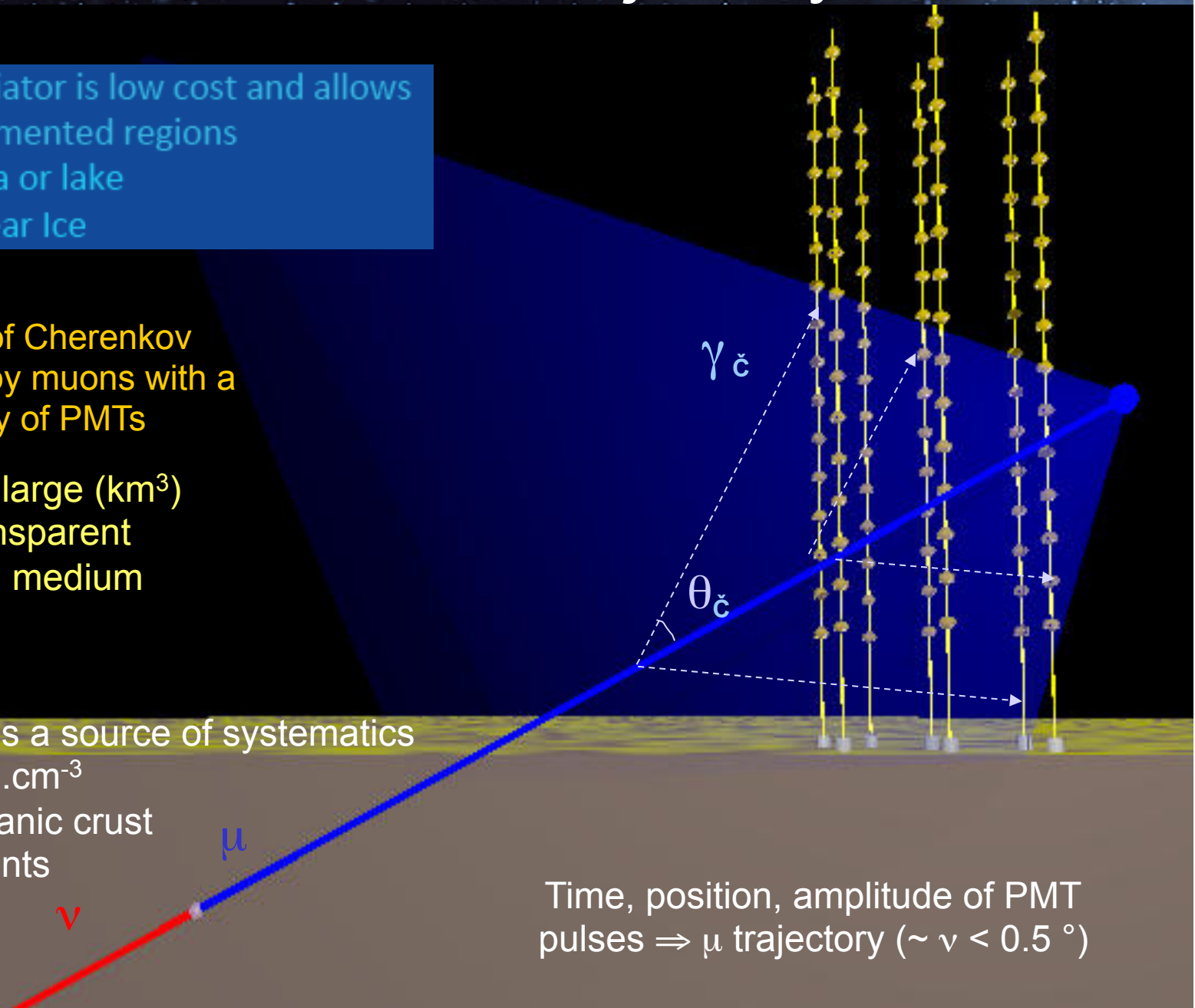
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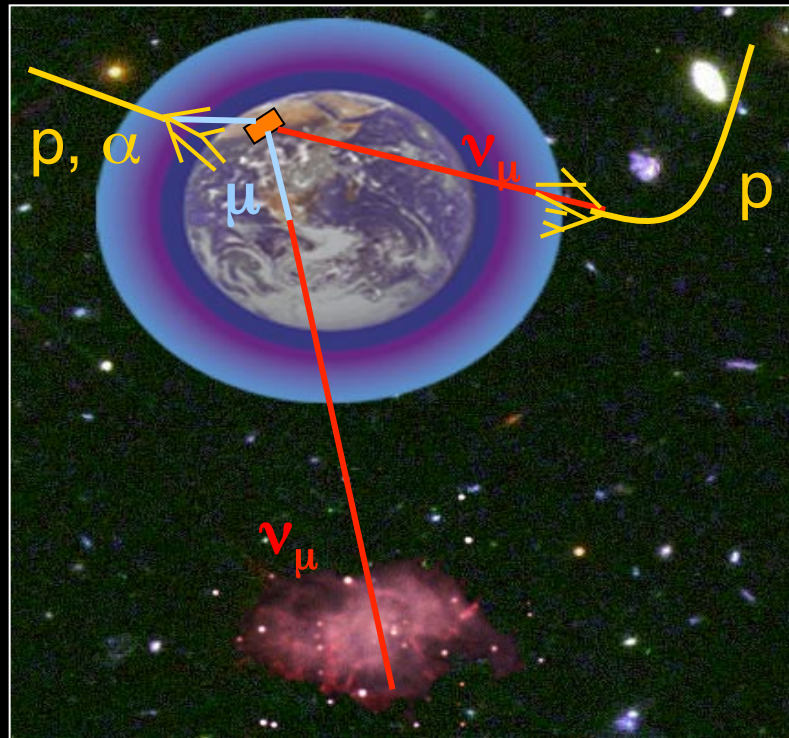
Layer of sediments

Time, position, amplitude of PMT pulses  $\Rightarrow \mu$  trajectory ( $\sim \nu < 0.5^\circ$ )





# Reconstruction of muon trajectory



Physical backgrounds:

- ❖ atmospheric neutrinos (irreducible...)
- ❖ atmospheric muons (only down-going)

detectors buried deep  
detectors look “downwards”

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$\theta_c$

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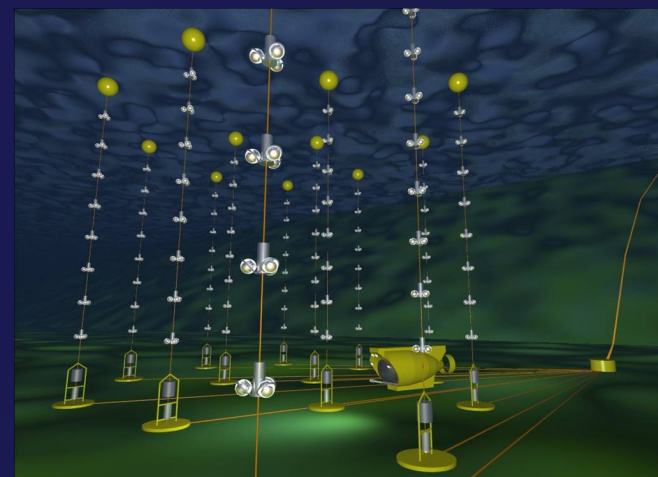
# Toulon



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# Antares

Electro-optical  
Cable of  
40 km



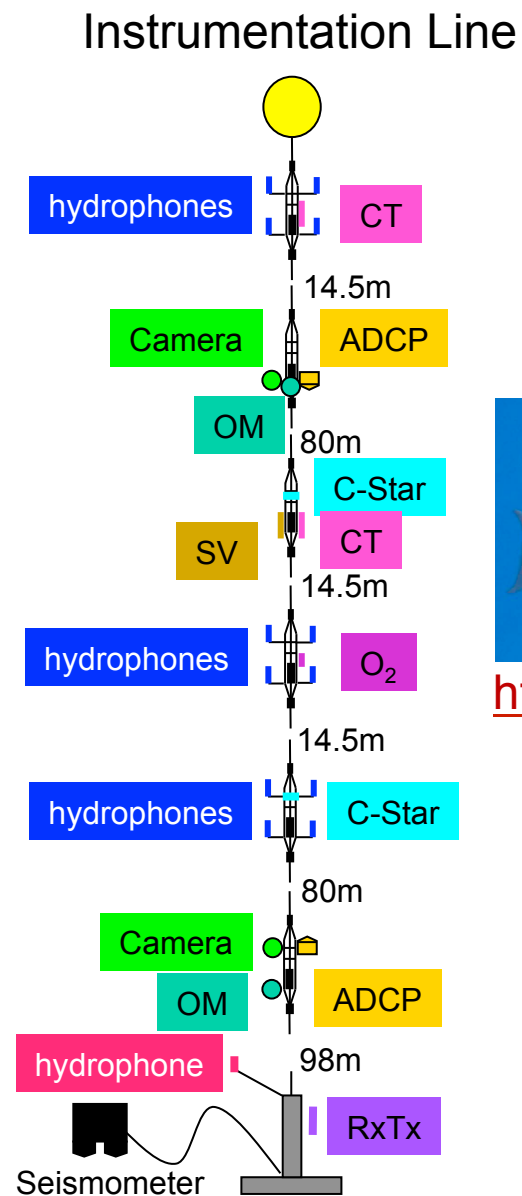
42 50'N, 6 10'E

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# Sea science and Earthquakes



Acoustic noises



<http://listentothedeep.org/>

seismometer



Video-monitoring

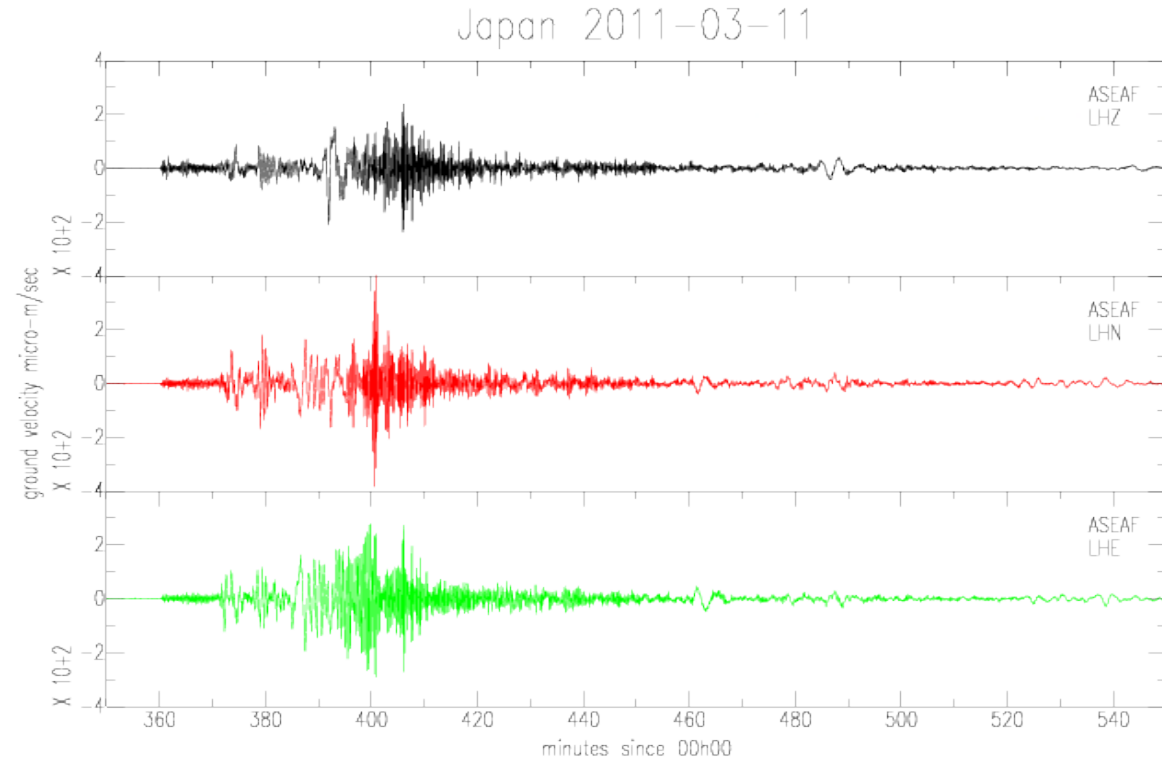
*ANTARES is a  
multidisciplinary  
observatory*

# A tragic example

## Seismometer



## *Real time monitoring*



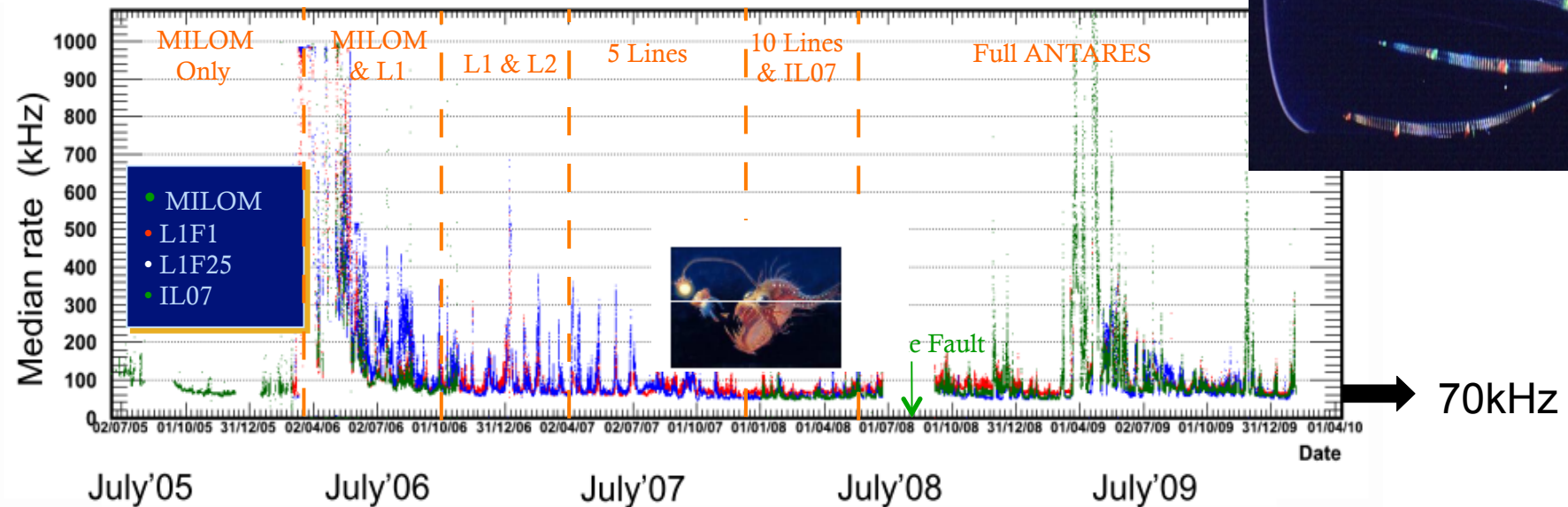
## Antares e-log

“Japan earthquake offshore of Myiagi Mw 8.9 11/03/2011 05h46UTC

The earthquake took place off shore. The location and the focal solution show that it is related to the subduction zone of the Pacific plate beneath Japan. The generation of a large tsunami is confirmed.”

# Optical background

Deep water formation (cold winter) +  
Instabilities of local currents due to  
surface water



## Optical background :

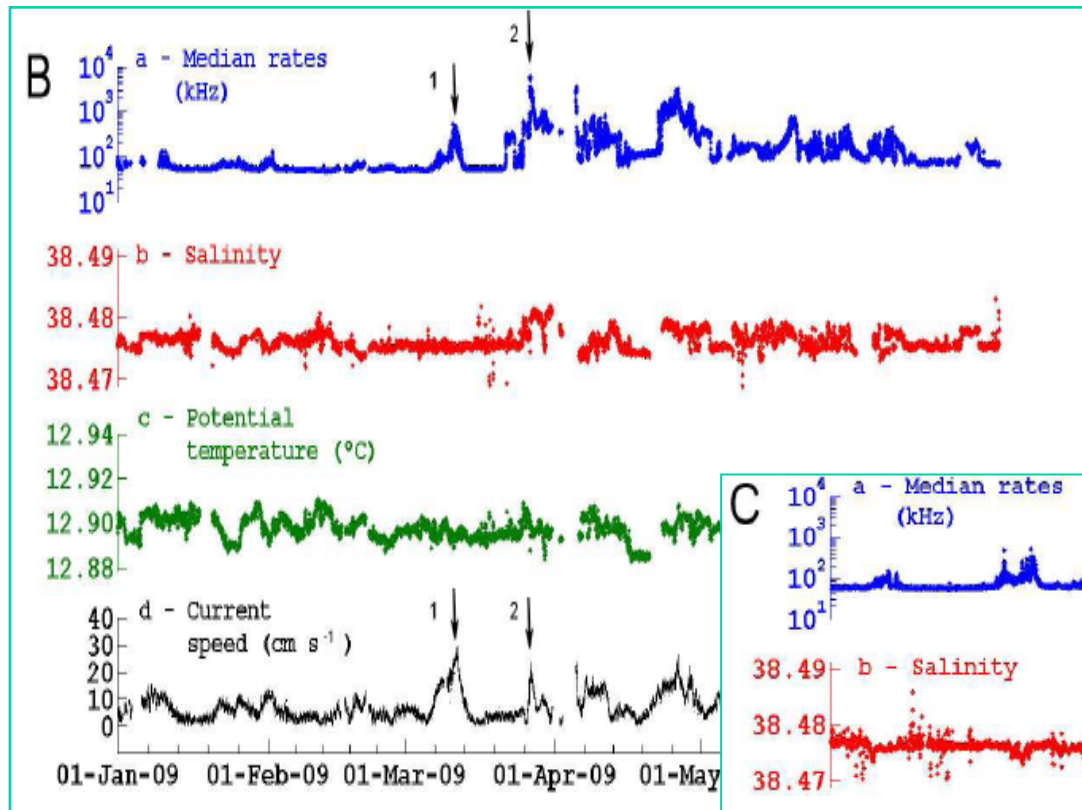
- radioactivity  $\beta$   $^{40}\text{K}$  ( $35 \pm 7$  kHz)
- bioluminescence :
  - .bacteria (continuum)
  - .from protista to vertebra (flashes)





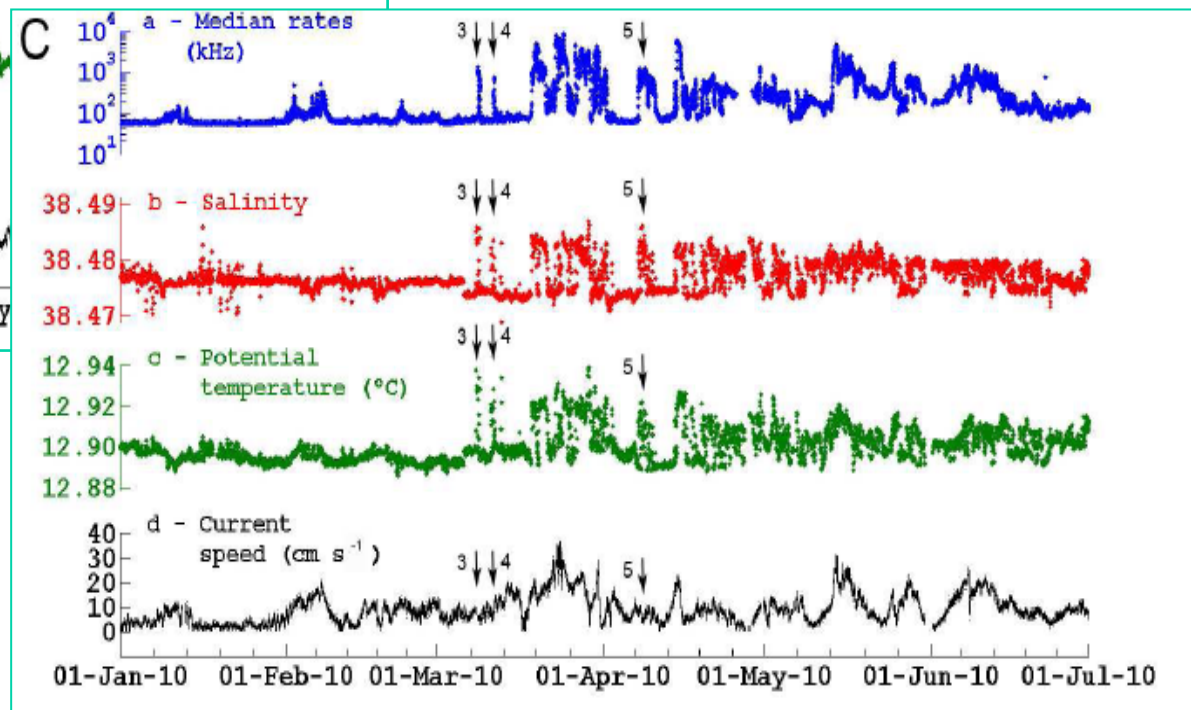
# Examples of Correlation studies

## 2009 : bioluminescence & Sea current



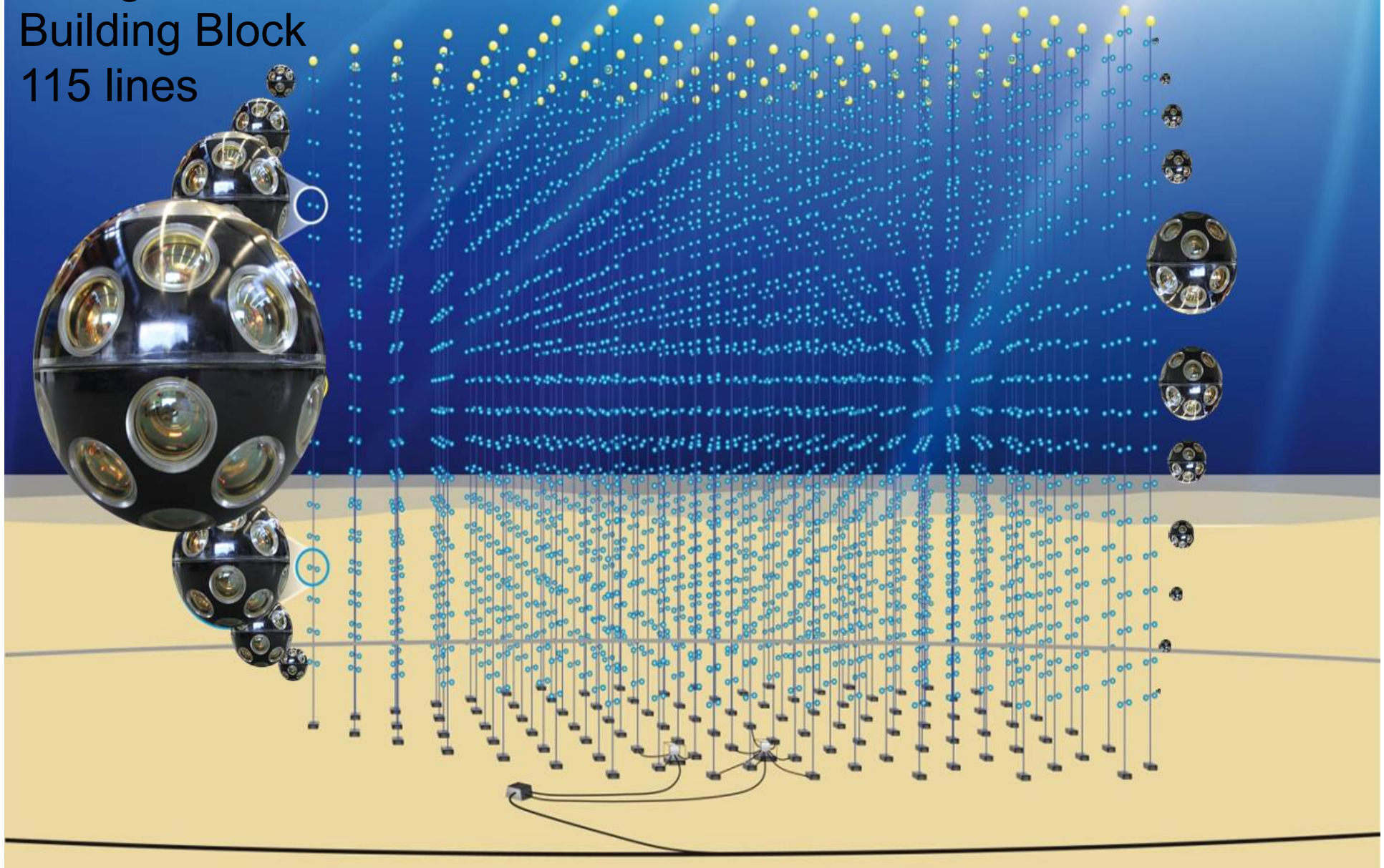
C. Tamburini et al., PLoS ONE 8(7) 2013  
H. van Haren et al., Ocean Dynamics, April 2014, Volume 64, Issue 4, pp 507-517

## 2010 : bioluminescence & salinity & temperature



# KM3NeT: the next generation telescope

A single KM3NeT  
Building Block  
115 lines





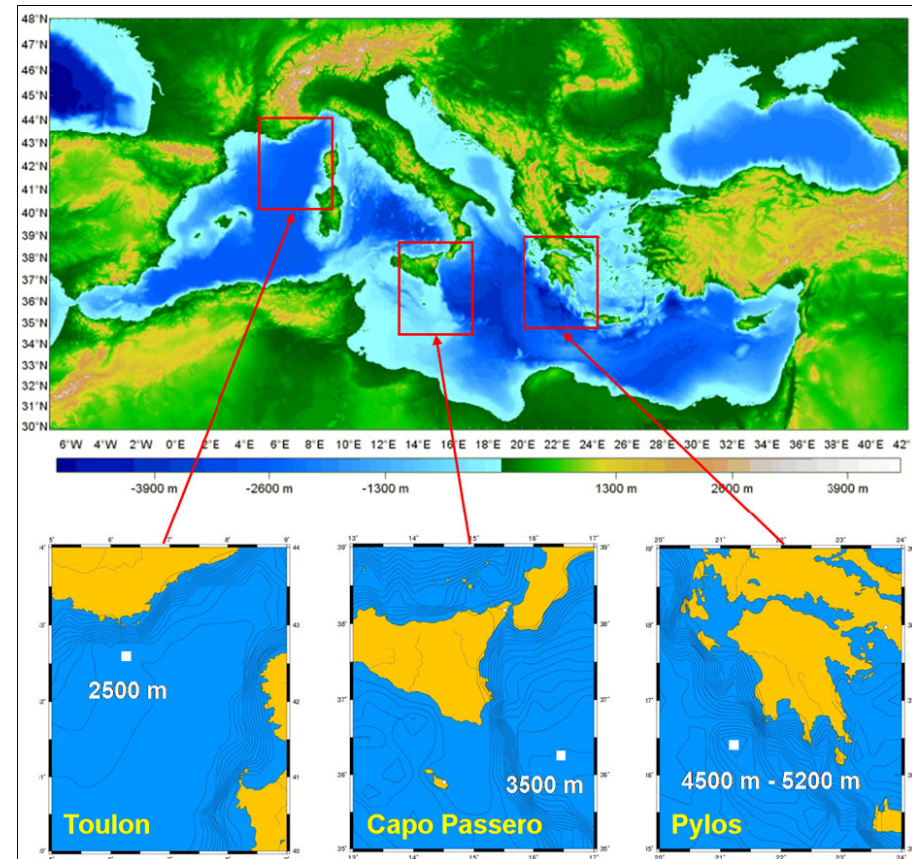
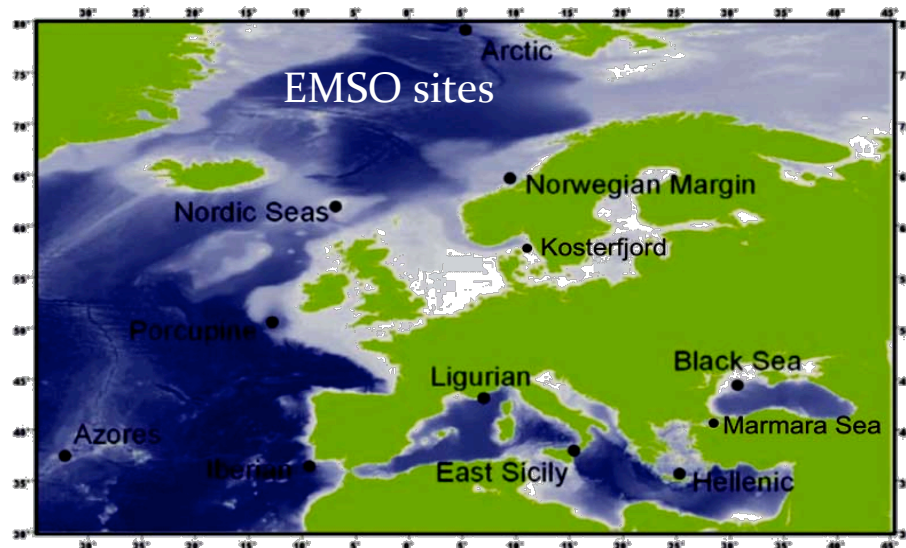
# A multi site detector

## Three sites

- Toulon (France), 2500 m
- Capo Passero (Italy), 3500 m
- [Pylos (Greece), 4500-5200 m]

## Earth and Sea science requirements

- Define the infrastructure needed to implement multidisciplinary science nodes



- EMSO is a ESFRI-PP project aiming at the construction of a European network of seafloor multidisciplinary observatories
- Mediterranean Sea sites and infrastructure technologies are of common interest

France responsible : M. Cannat (IPGP)



# Calibration units

## ■ Calibration Units (CU):

**detector lines devoted to calibration  
and associated sciences  
1 every 10 detection lines**

## ■ Instrumentation Unit:

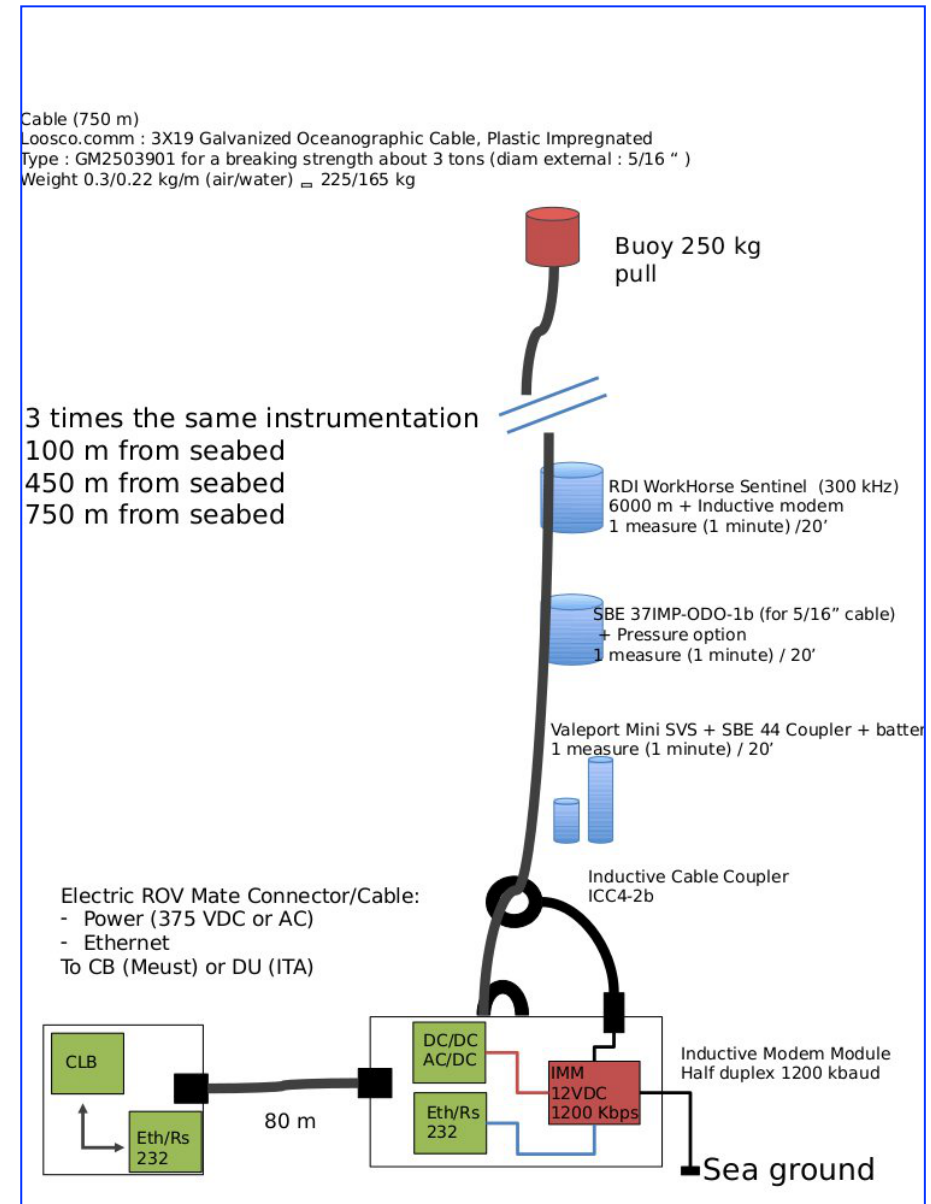
inductive line (+ base) with environmental  
sensors (temperature, sea current...) and  
Calibration instruments  
(laser, acoustic transducers...)

Anything else?

## ■ Calibration base (CB):

Electronic interface

Junction box  $\leftrightarrow$  instrumentation base

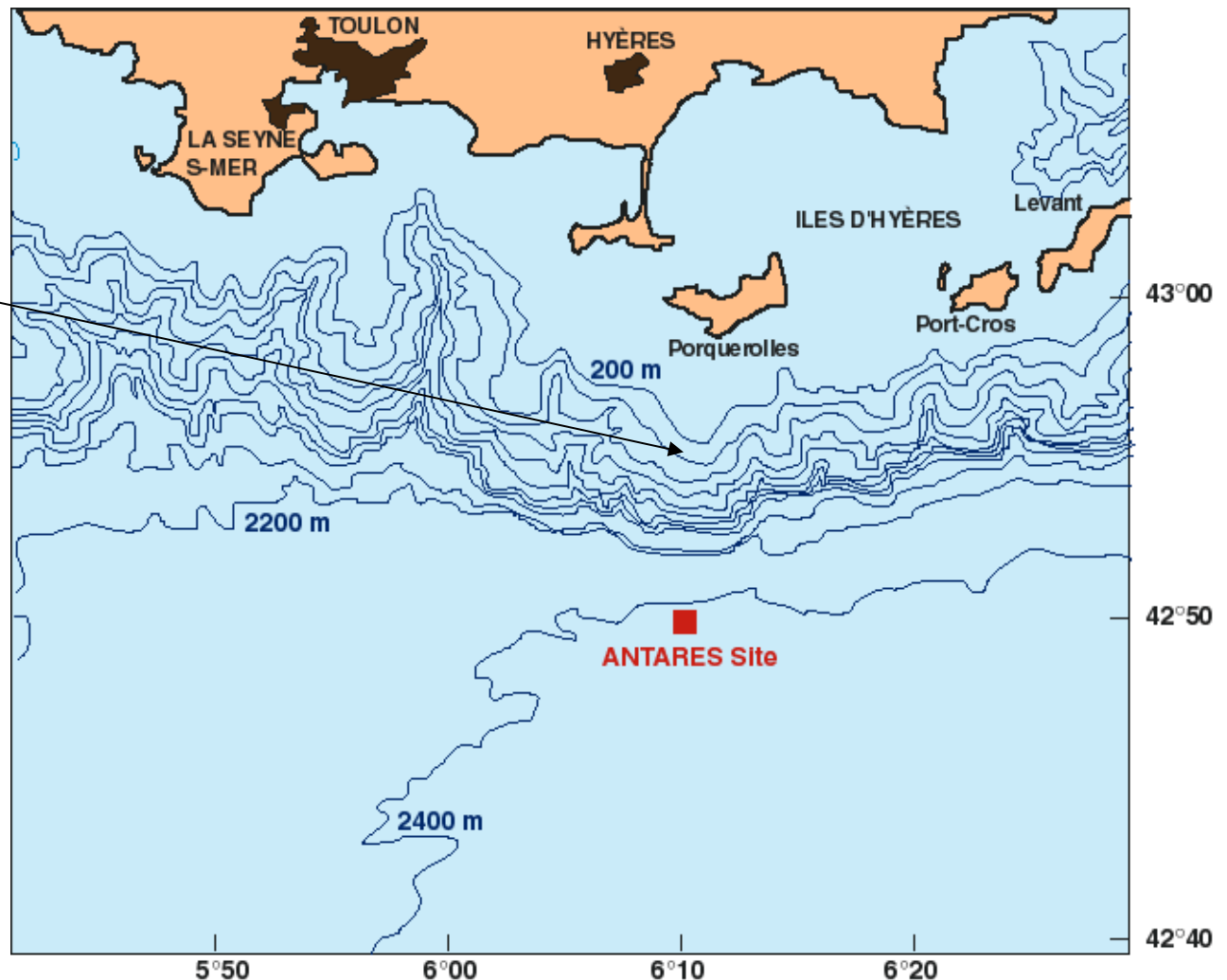


# Atmospheric muons/neutrinos and Earth science

## Muons from above: the shadow of the Continental Shelf

1. Is this visible by studying muons ?

2. Can we use to check the detector positioning ?



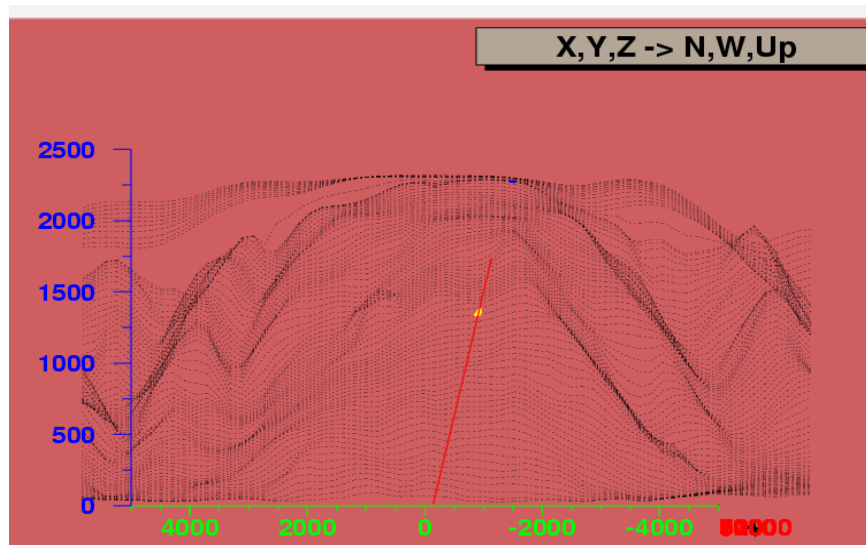
On going study at APC

Need inputs from specialists

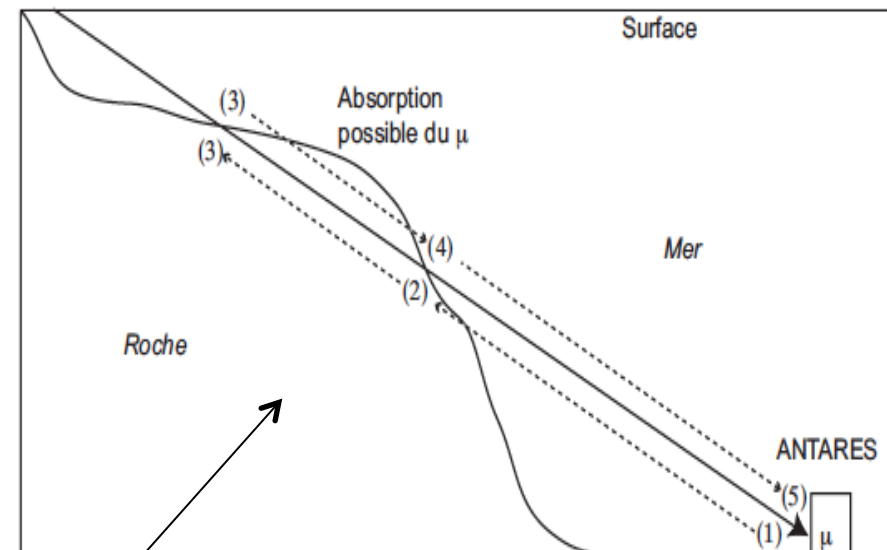
# Atmospheric muons/neutrinos and Earth science

## ANTARES bathymetric area

- Covered area  
6.0°E-6.25°E / 42.833°N-43°N
- Format  
longitude, latitude, depth ~100m x 100m



Relief data originated from SHOM  
Restricted

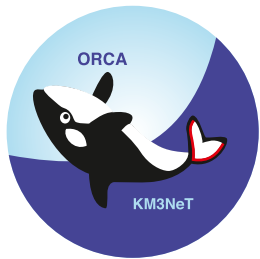


Density / composition of medium unknown?

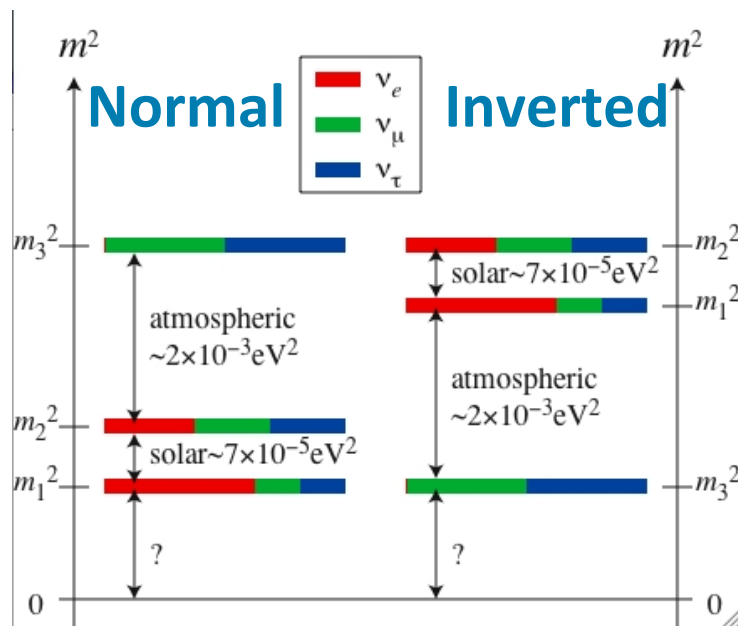


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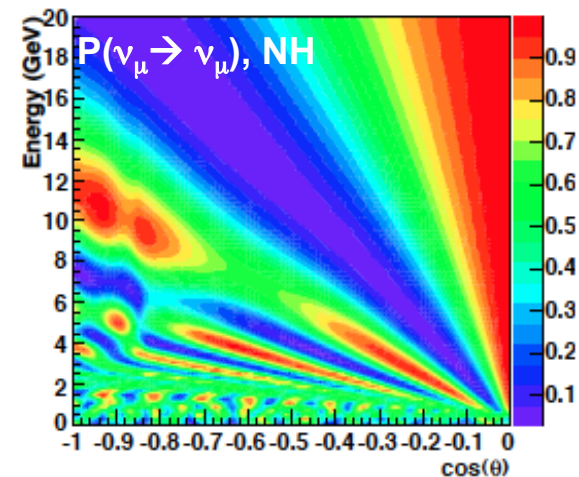
## Neutrinos from below: matter effects in neutrino oscillations



ORCA: a dense detector to measure the neutrino mass hierarchy with **atmospheric neutrinos**



- Free 'beam' of neutrinos:  
 $\nu_e/\text{anti } \nu_e$ ,  $\nu_\mu/\text{anti } \nu_\mu$ ; broad range of baselines (50  $\rightarrow$  1250 km) and energies (GeV  $\rightarrow$  PeV)
- $\nu_e$  and  $\nu_\mu$  interact differently with matter (electrons)
- Different mass hierarchies (normal/inverted) provide different oscillogram patterns in (energy, zenith):



- W. Winter : arXiv:1305.5539,
- Agarwalla et al. arXiv:1212.2238
- Akhmedov et al. JHEP 02 (2013) 082

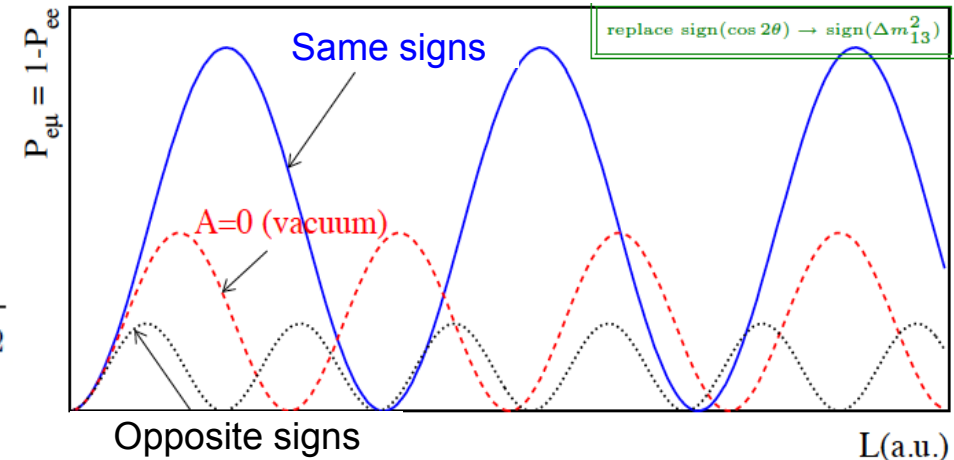
# (Constant Density) Matter Effects

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$$P_{3\nu}^m(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) \approx \sin^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 2\theta_{13}^m \sin^2 \left( \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 L}{4E_\nu} \right)$$

$$\sin^2 2\theta_{13}^m \equiv \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \left( \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2}{\Delta m_{31}^2} \right)^2$$

$$\Delta m_{31}^2 \equiv \sqrt{(\Delta m_{31}^2 \cos 2\theta_{13} - 2E_\nu A)^2 + (\Delta m_{31}^2 \sin 2\theta_{13})^2}$$



$$E_{\text{res}} \equiv \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2 \cos 2\theta_{13}}{2\sqrt{2} G_F N_e} \simeq 7 \text{ GeV} \left( \frac{4.5 \text{ g/cm}^3}{\rho} \right) \left( \frac{\Delta m_{31}^2}{2.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2} \right) \cos 2\theta_{13}$$

Matter resonance:  $A \rightarrow \Delta_{13} \cos 2\theta_{13}$

- Effective mixing maximal
- Effective osc. frequency minimal

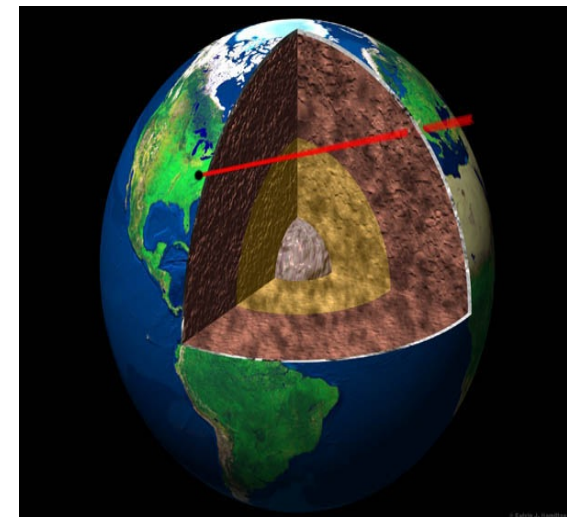
Resonance energy Earth:

- Mantle  $E_{\text{res}} \sim 7 \text{ GeV}$
- Core  $E_{\text{res}} \sim 3 \text{ GeV}$

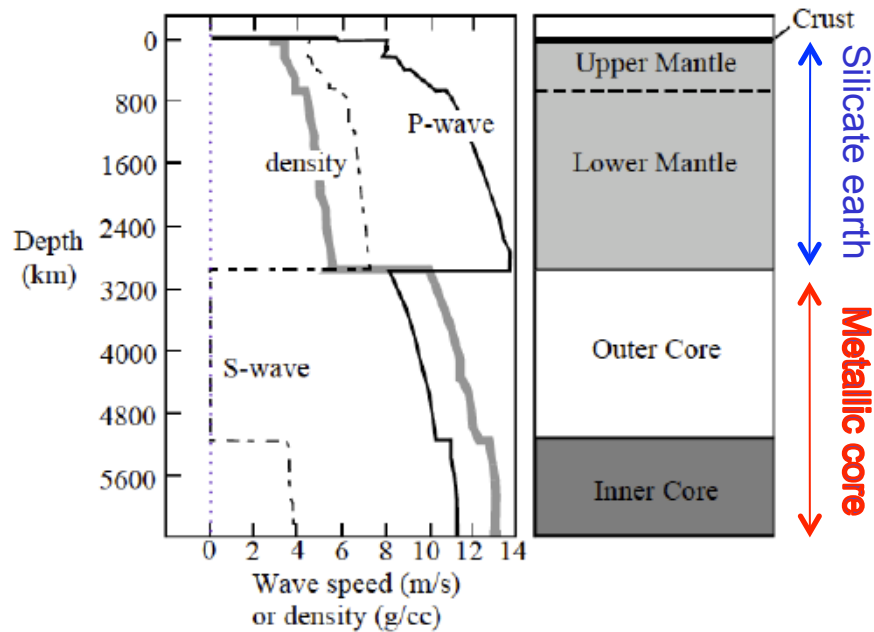
## Requirements:

- $\Delta_{13} \sim A$  matter potential must be significant but not overwhelming
- $L$  large enough – matter effects are absent near the origin
- Distinction between neutrinos and anti-neutrinos

→ different flux and cross-sections!



# Earth tomography and composition

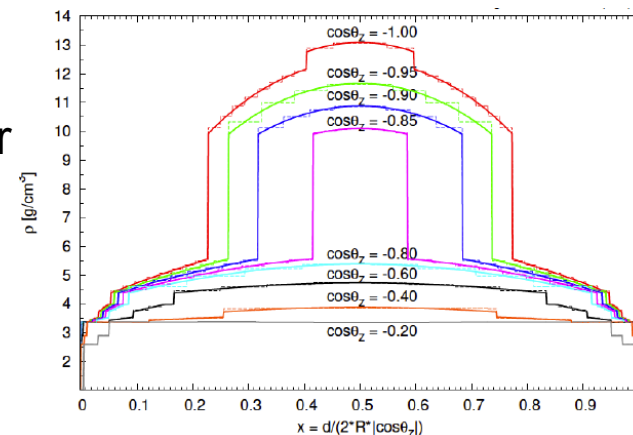
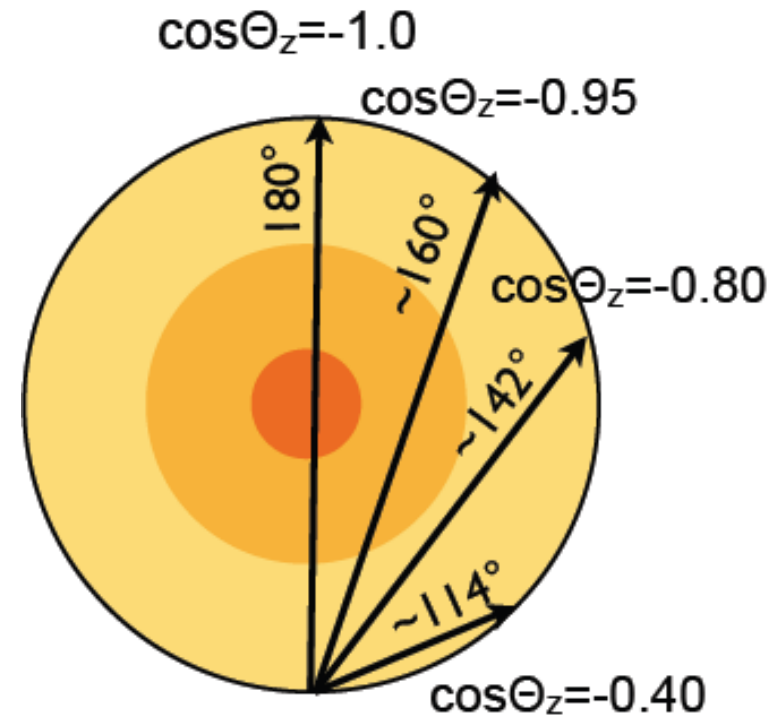


William F. McDonough "The Composition of the Earth"

Earth density relatively well described through seismic measurements (compressional and shear waves): PREM model (*Dziewonski & Anderson, 1981*)

Neutrino absorption/oscillation tomography:

- ➡ independent check of density profile
- ➡ constraints on core composition

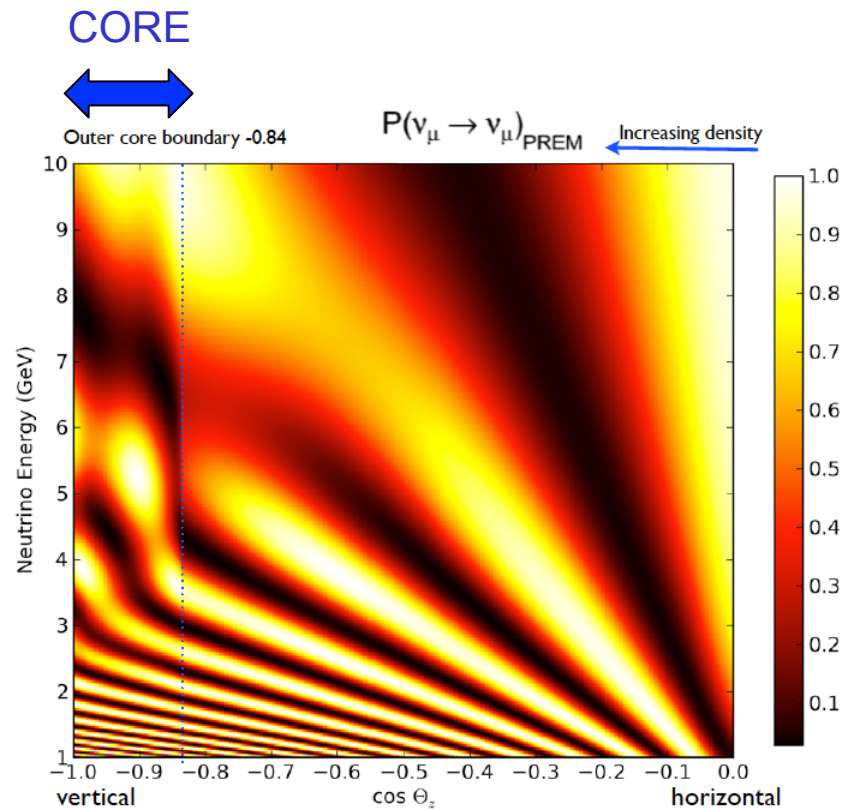




# Earth tomography and composition

Matter-induced neutrino oscillation effects depend on electron density

➡ constraints on composition:  $Y=Z/A$



Most sensitive domain:

$E \sim 2 \rightarrow 10$  GeV

$\cos\theta < -0.84$  (neutrinos traversing the core)

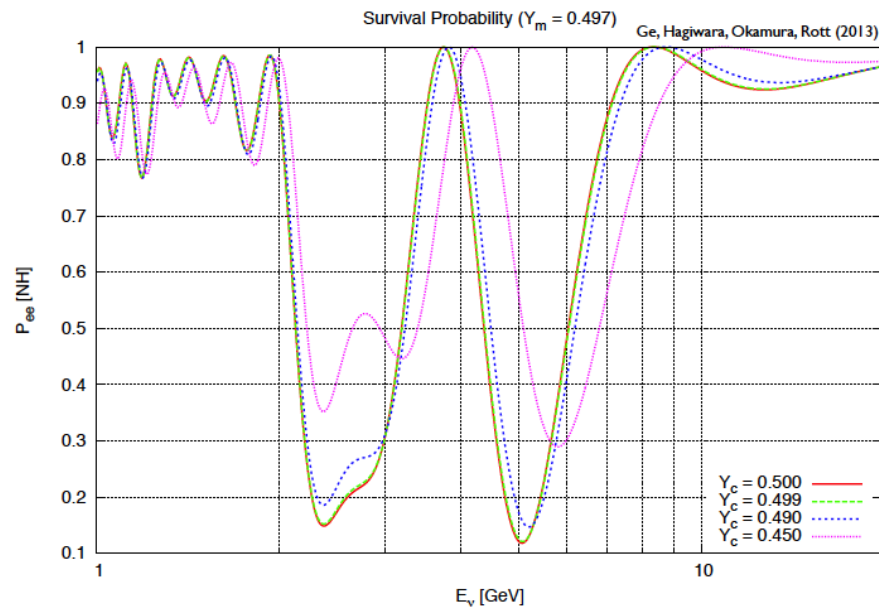
Oscillation parameters fit using information from neutrinos traversing the mantle only

➡ constrain  $Y_{\text{core}}$

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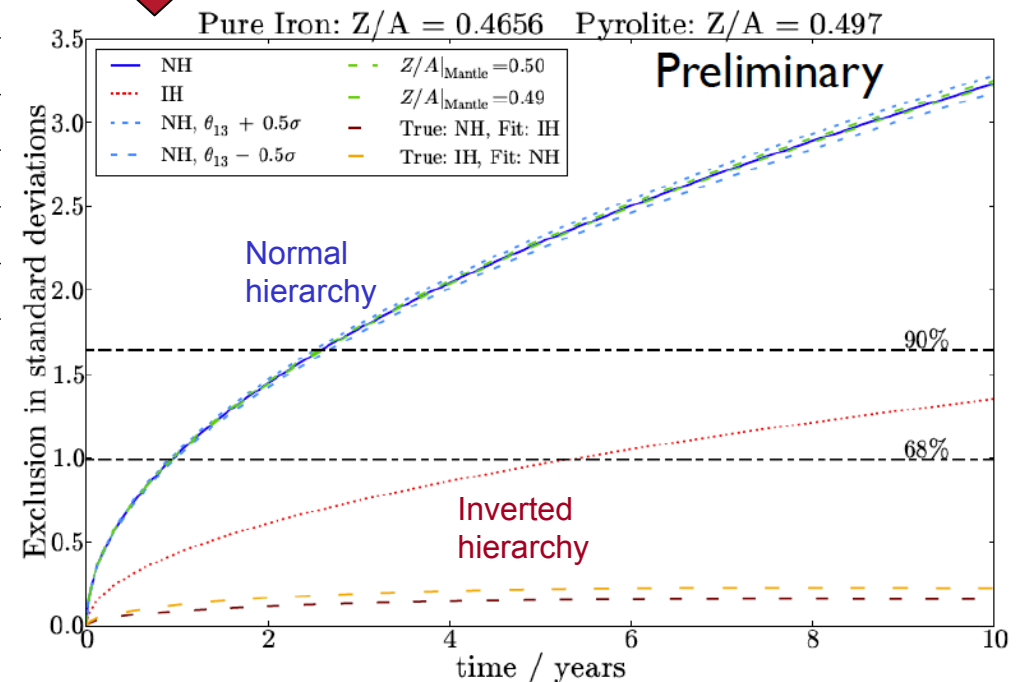
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$\nu_e$  survival probability for different electron densities in the core:  
 $Y_c$  0.45  $\rightarrow$  0.5  
 ( $Y_c$  uncertainties based on Earth composition: few %)

Example study: extreme cases

- pure iron core ( $Y_c = 0.4656$ )
- core = mantle ( $Y_c = 0.497$ )



(here for an in-ice detector)

# Conclusions and perspectives

## ANTARES, KM3NeT/ORCA: underwater Cherenkov telescopes for neutrino (astro)physics

- Cabled deep-sea observatories: opportunities for marine and Earth sciences

- ➡ long-term monitoring of environmental parameters
- ➡ test bench for new instruments (e.g. on calibration lines)

- Atmospheric neutrinos: a background... and a tool to study the Earth

TeV  $\rightarrow$  PeV neutrino absorption tomography:

- ➡ Earth density profile
- ~GeV neutrino oscillation tomography
- ➡ Earth composition

sensitivity studies & detector optimisation to be conducted !