

A satellite map of Lake Baikal and the surrounding regions of Russia. The lake is a deep blue, elongated body of water, surrounded by green and brown land. The text is overlaid on the map.

Baikal-GVD: status and plans

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Baikal GVD

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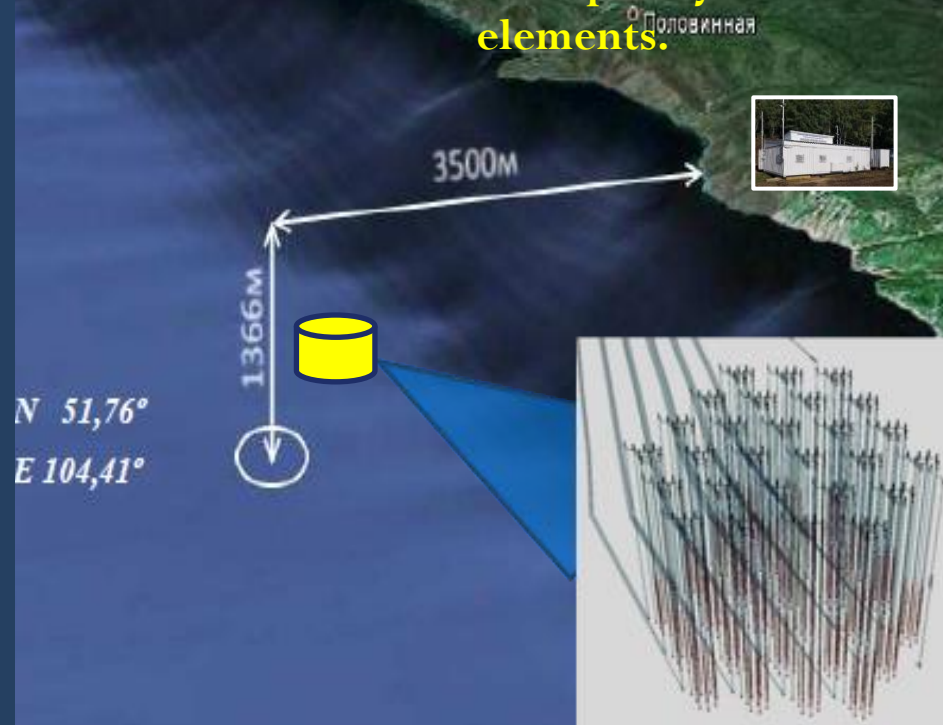


Baikal-GVD project

- 1370 m maximum depth
- Distance to shore ~4 km
- Absence of high luminosity bursts from biology and K^{40} background
- Water properties:
Abs. length: 22 ± 2 m
Scatt. length: ~ 30-50 m
- Possibility to deploy the detector from the ice of the lake

Basic approach in GVD construction:

- * Flexible structure allowing an expand, upgrade and rearrange of the detection system.
- * Simplicity of the basic detector elements.



3D array, 10^4 photodetectors

Eff. volume $\sim 1.5 \text{ км}^3$

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Baikal-GVD phase 1: GVD-1 (2020-2021)

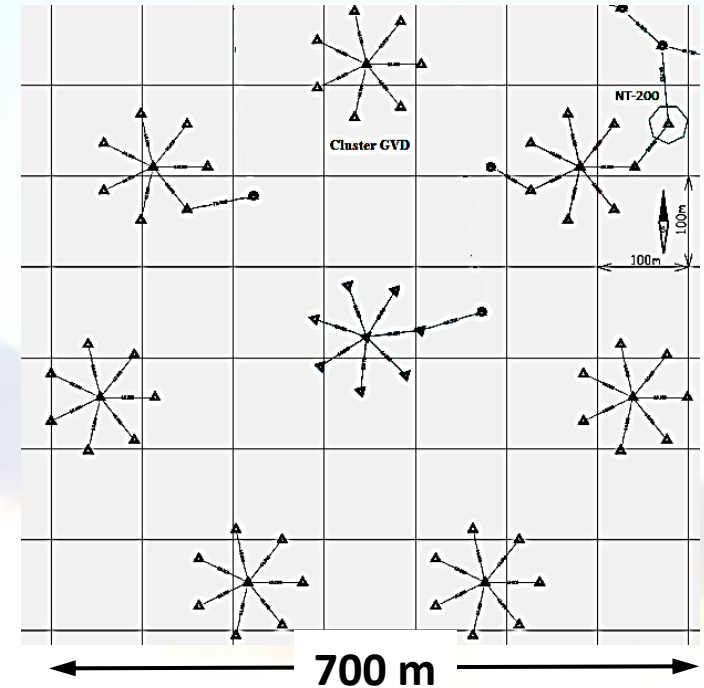
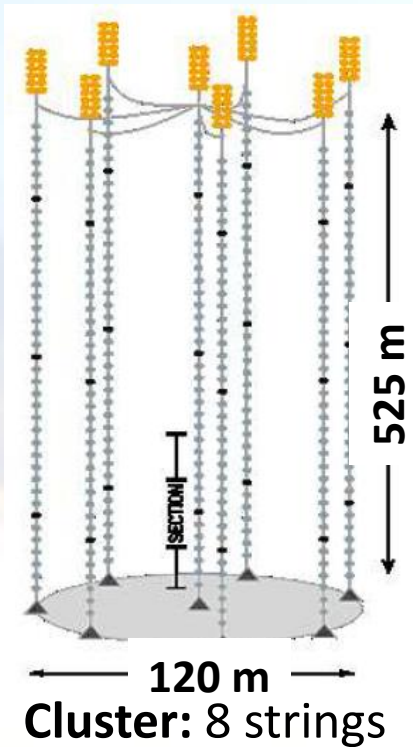
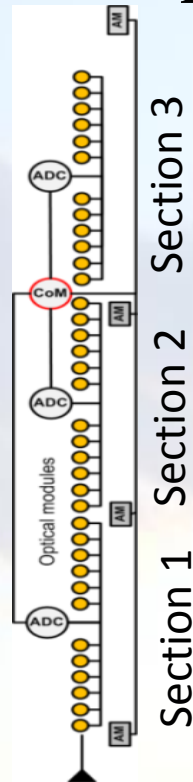


Optical module

PMT: R7081-100

$\varnothing=10$ inch

QE $\approx$ 35%



String: 3 Sections $\times$ 12 OMs&ADC module

GVD-1: 8 clusters

GVD-1

OMs	2304
Clusters (8 Strings)	8
Depths, m	750 – 1275
Eff. Volume	0.4 km ³

Directional resolution

Cascades: 3.5° – 5.5°

Muons: 0.25° - 0.5°

Energy resolution

$\delta(E/E_{sh}) \sim 0.15$

$\delta(\lg E) \sim 0.4$

Production of GVD-1 components

Optical modules

OM assembling and tests: JINR

Electronics production: SNIIP factory, Moscow

Tests OM electronics: INR RAS



DAQ modules

Electronics production: MSU

Assembling and tests: INR RAS



Cables

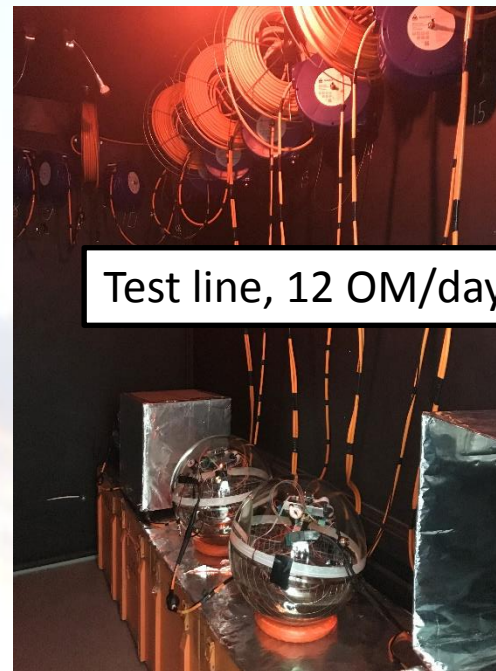
Production: PskovGeocabel factory

Assembling and tests: Irkutsk group.



JINR FACILITIES FOR THE OPTICAL MODULES PRODUCTION

See talk A. Doroshenko



Now we have 450 OMs
ready to use: ~1.5 clusters



Equipment allows to assemble and test up to 12 OMs per day

INR TEST FACILITIES FOR THE DAQ ELECTRONICS

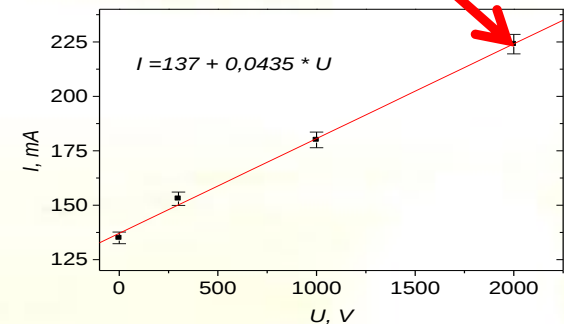
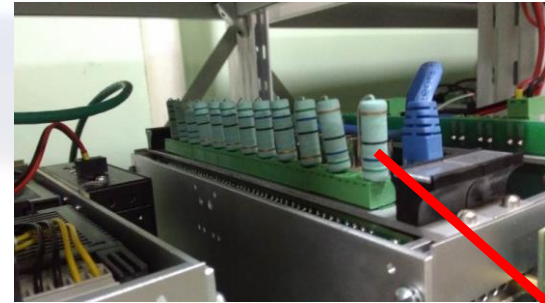
Facility is designed for long-term tests of all cluster components with full power load.



6 strings (216 ADC channels) is under testing now

String electronics:

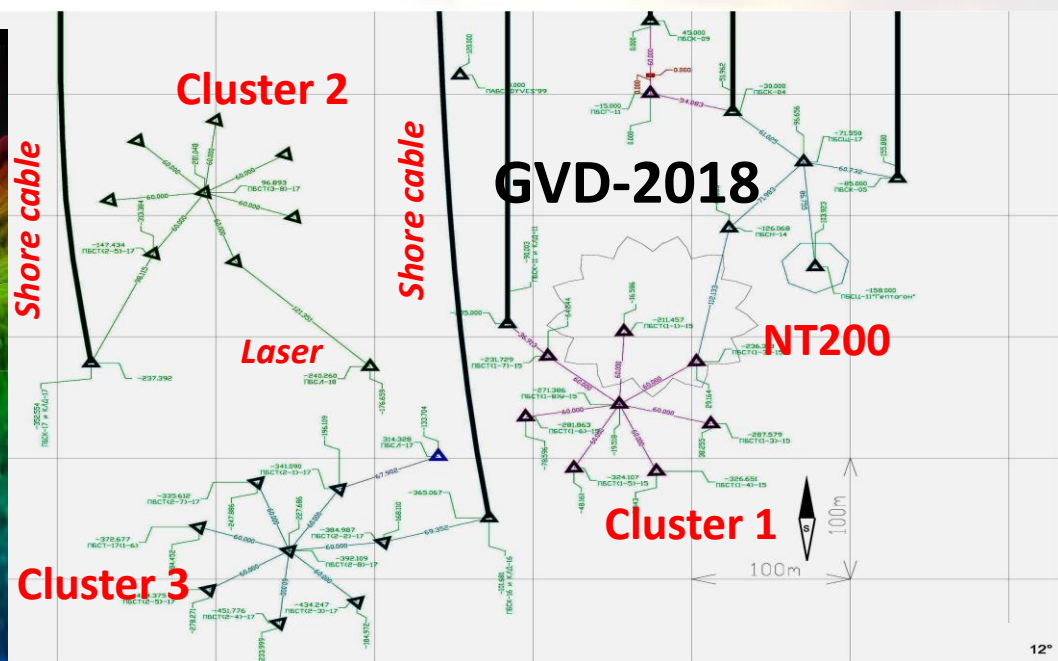
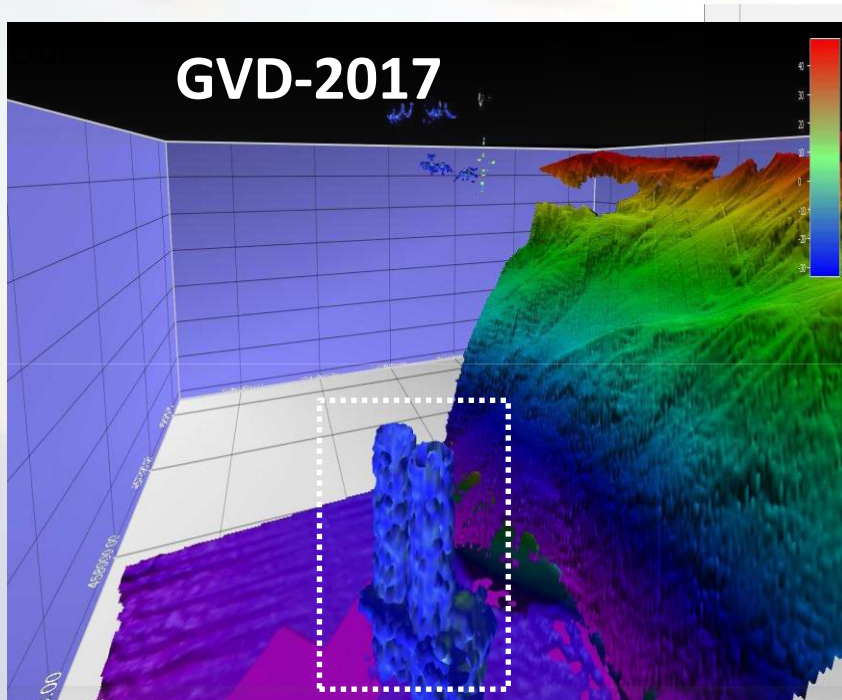
→ 3 Section modules and String module (36 ADC channels).



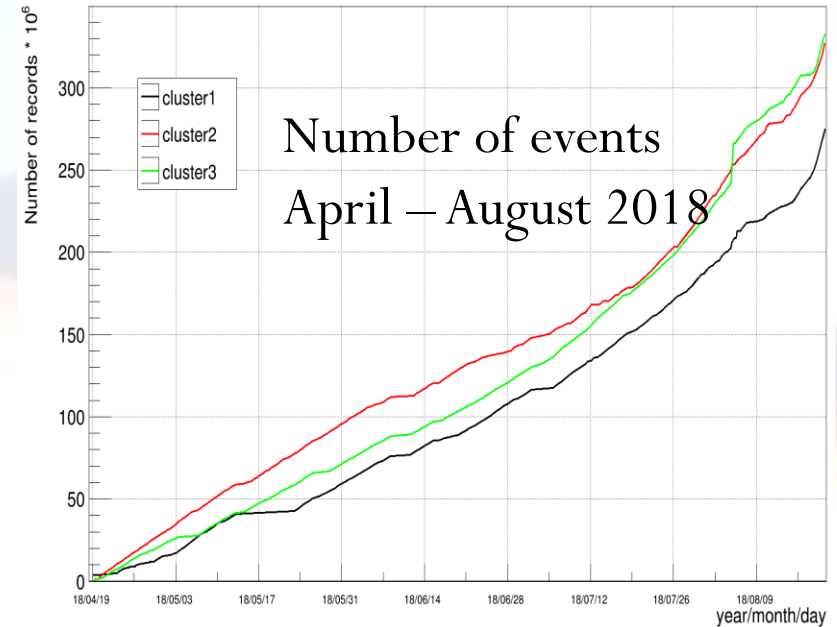
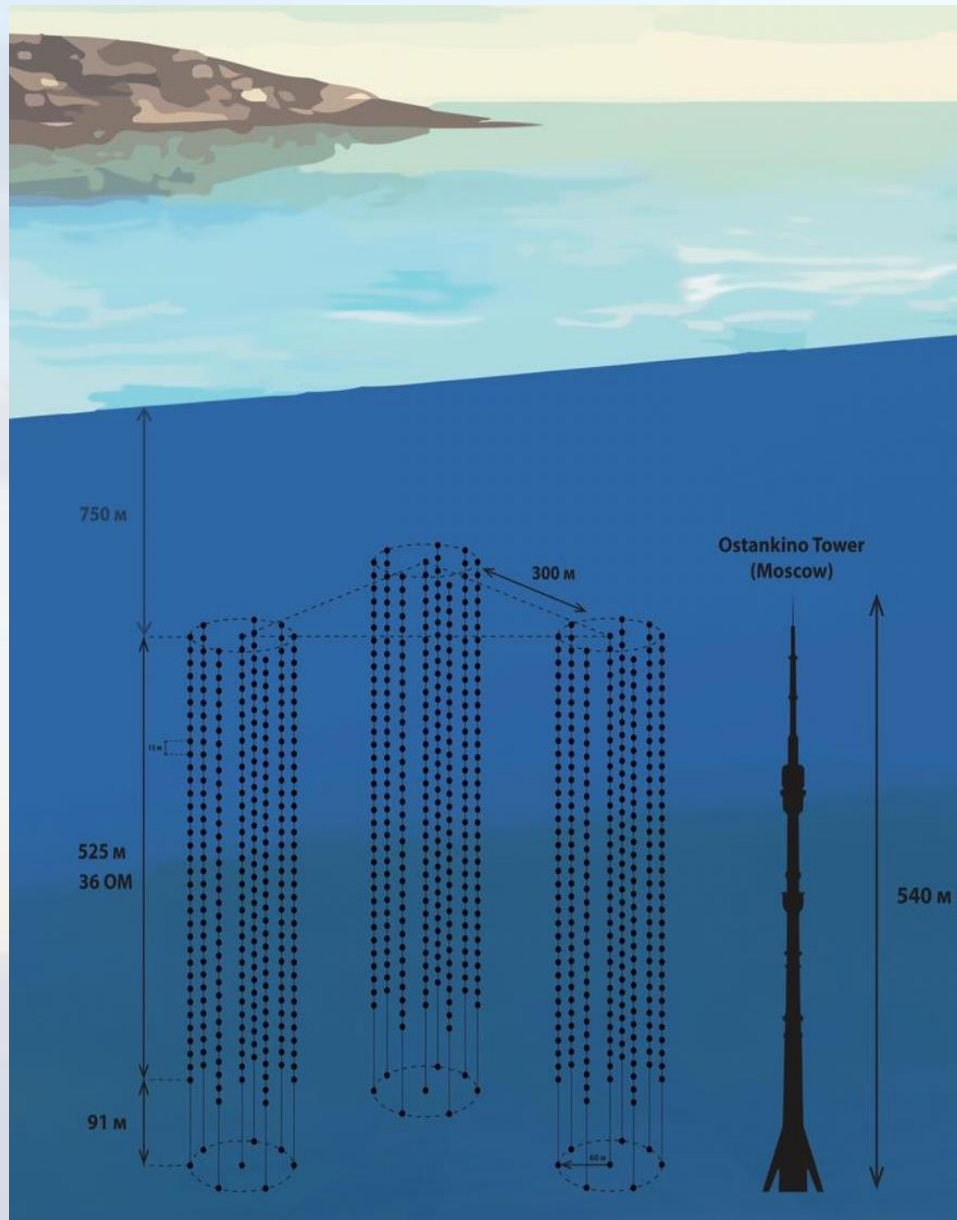
- Signals on the ADC are simulated by generators with an adjustable frequency.
- Software for data acquisition is the same as for real telescope.

Stages of deployment of the GVD-1

Configuration	2015	2016	2017	2018
The number of OMs	192	288	576	864
Geometric sizes, m	Ø80×345	Ø120×525	2×Ø120×525	3×Ø120×525
Eff. Vol	0.03 km ³	0.05 km ³	0.1 km ³	0.15 km ³



Status-2018 of Baikal-GVD

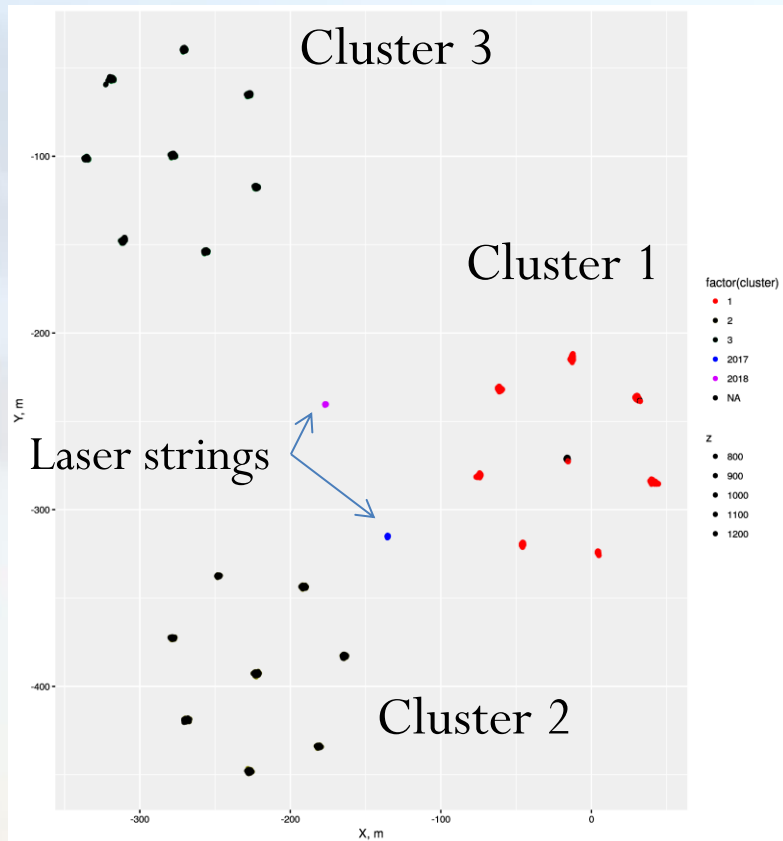


Data transmission

- 40 Gb per cluster per day to shore
- 5 Mb/s 40 km radio channel to Baikalsk

Performance of acoustic positioning system

See talk A Avrorin

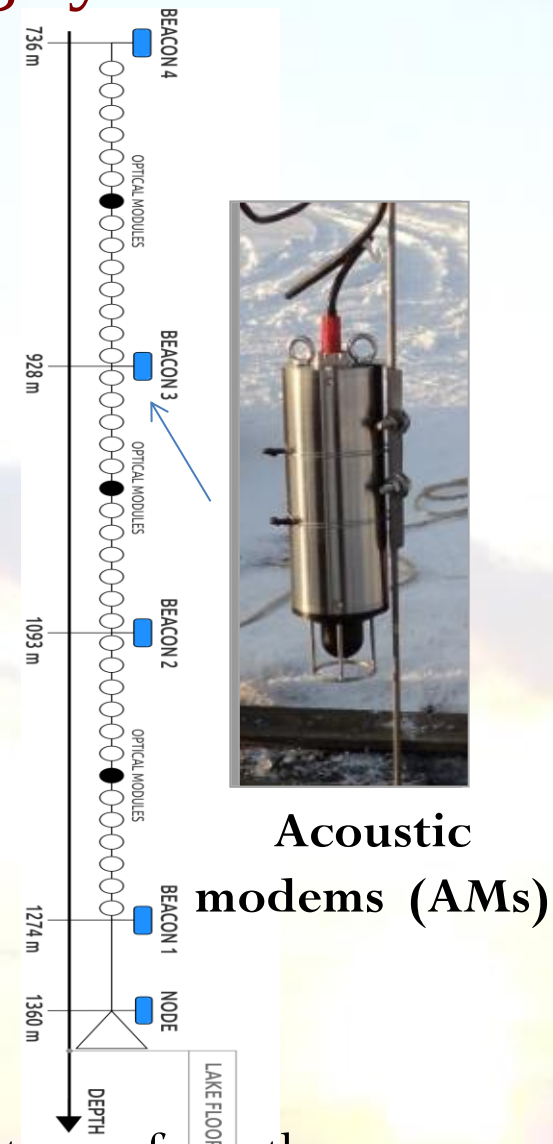


Measured coordinates of AMs, April-September, X-Y plan

The OM positioning accuracy is 5-20 cm depending on the distances from the OM to the AMs along the string and the deviation of the string from the vertical position.

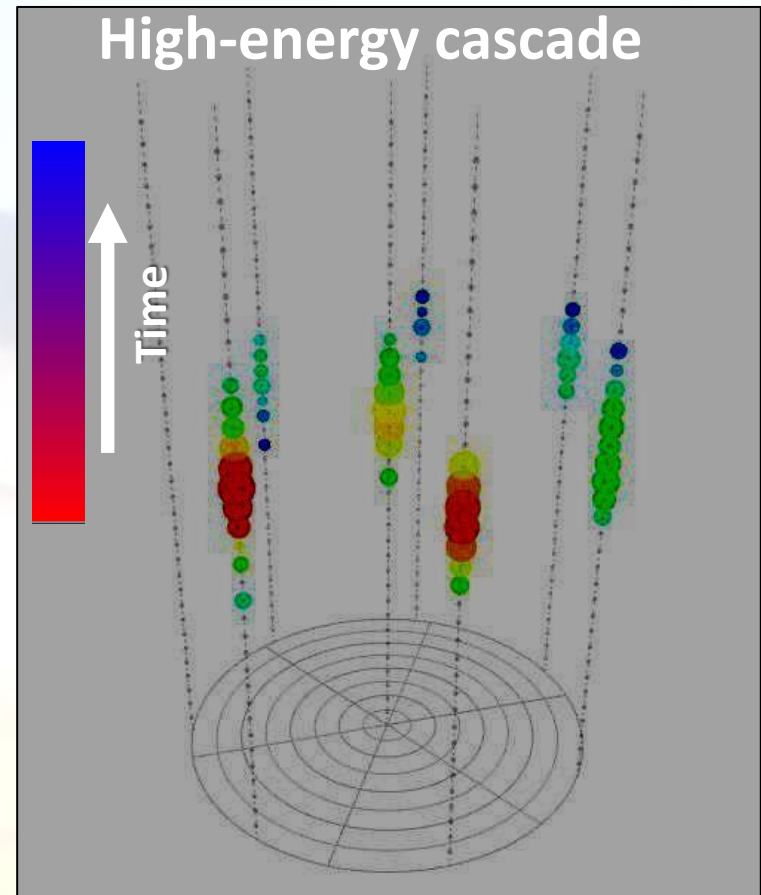
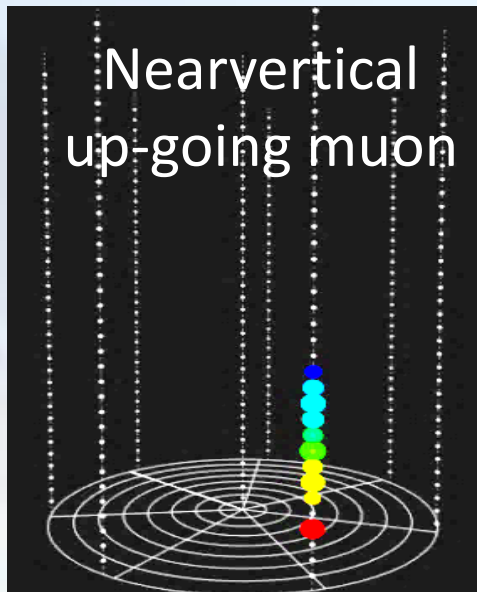
4 AMs on each string.
1 AM (node) is fixed to the anchor.

OM coordinates are linearly interpolated from AM positions.

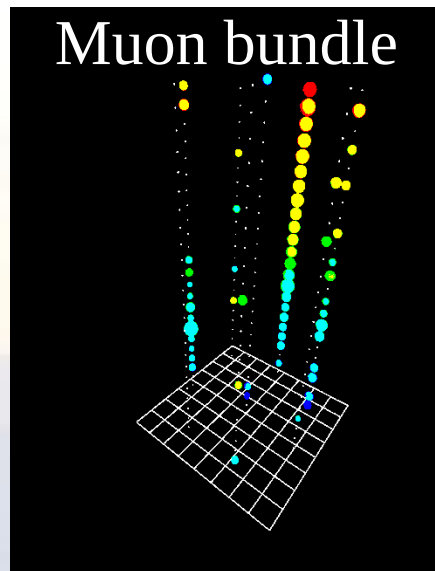
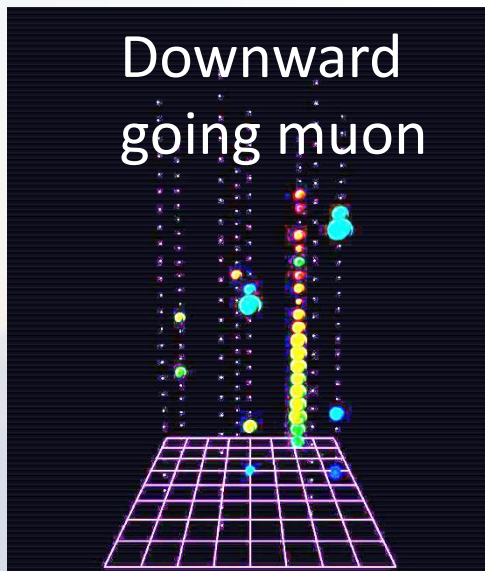


Detector response

Neutrino signals



Background



Search for cascades induced by astrophysical neutrinos

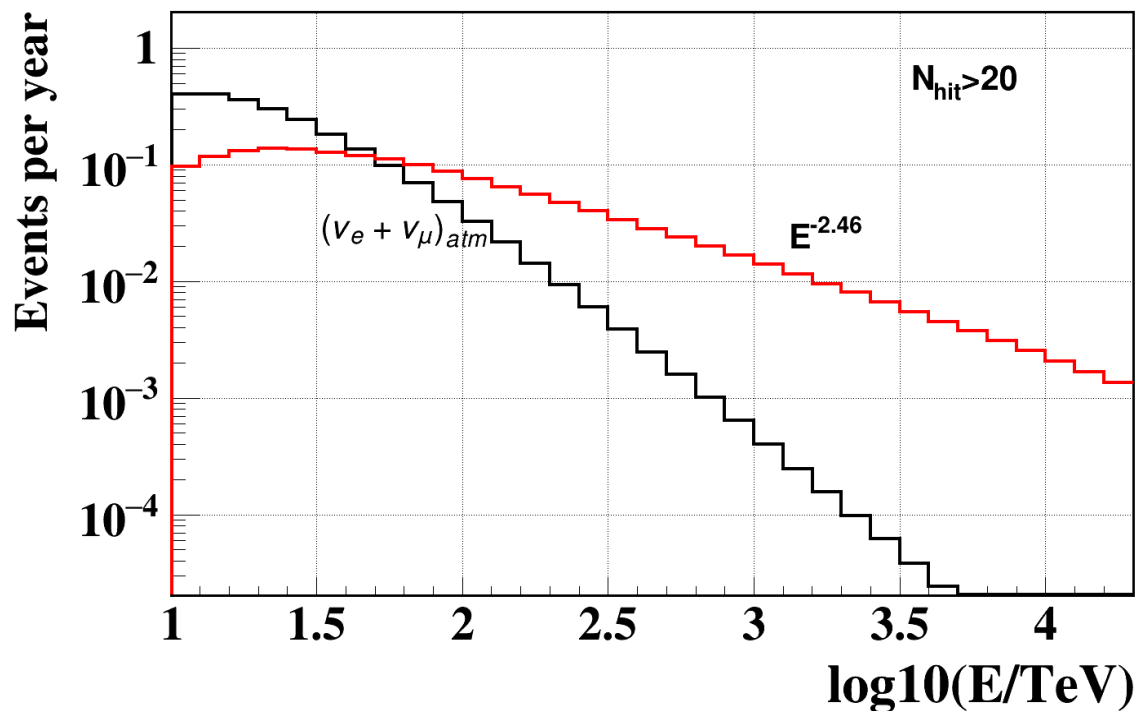
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Directional resolution of cascades in water: 3° - 5°

Cascade selection:

- Causality cuts (noise rejection);
- Reconstruction of cascade position direction and energy and cuts on quality parameters;
- $N_{hit} > 20$

Expected number of events in GVD Cluster from astrophysical neutrinos for 1 yr.



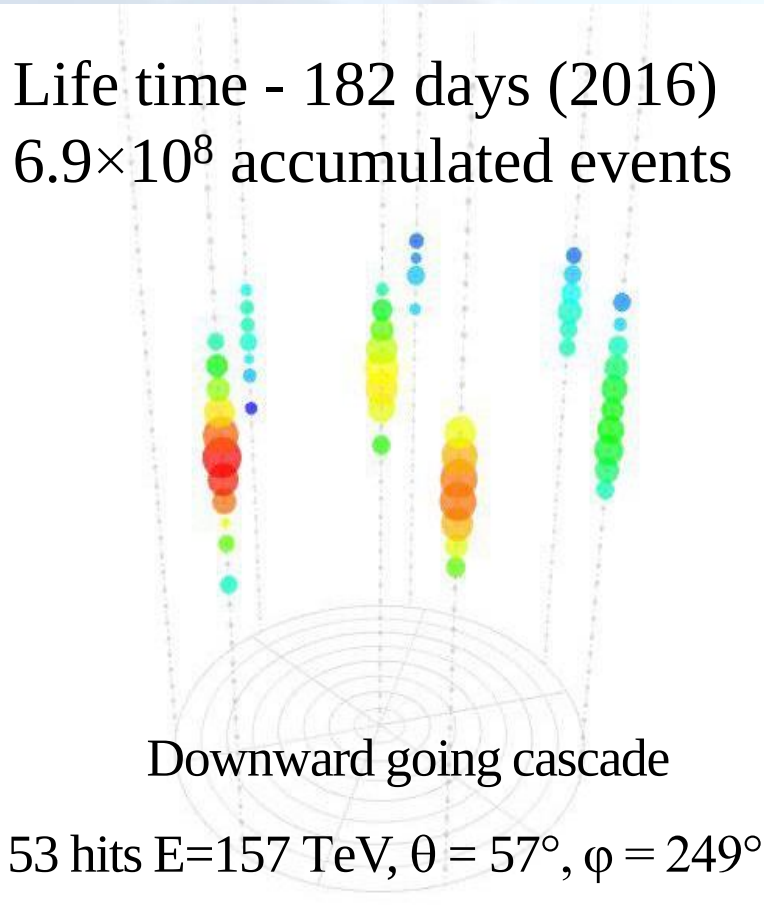
About 0.6 events/year are expected for 1 GVD cluster

Cascade analysis – 2016

PRELIMINARY

The first GVD cluster

Life time - 182 days (2016)
 6.9×10^8 accumulated events

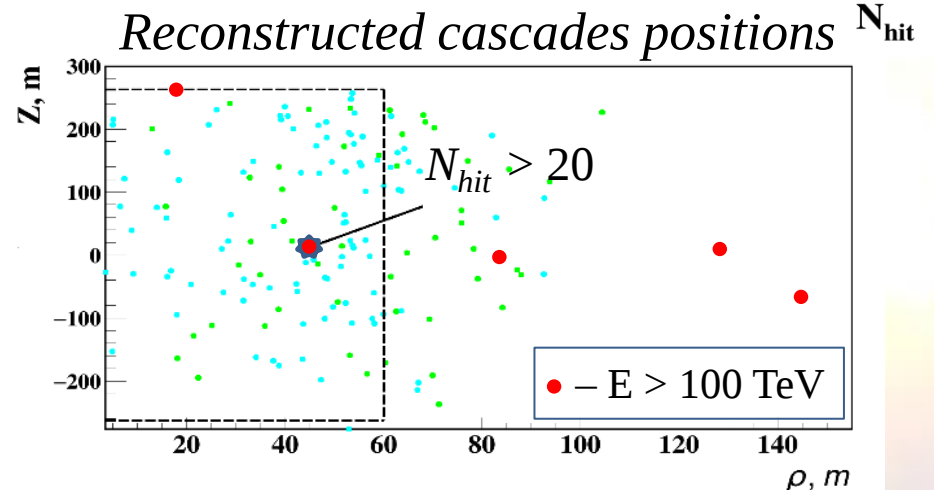
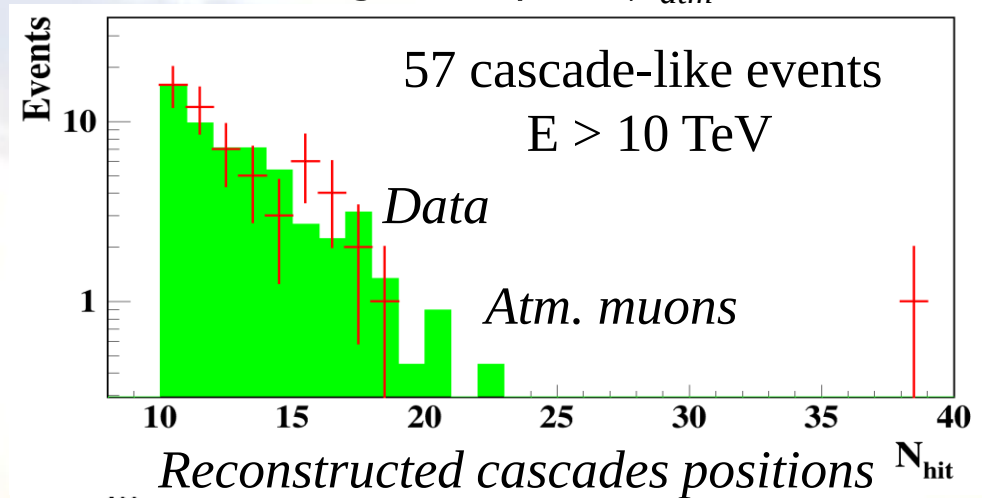


Downward going cascade

53 hits $E=157$ TeV, $\theta = 57^\circ$, $\phi = 249^\circ$

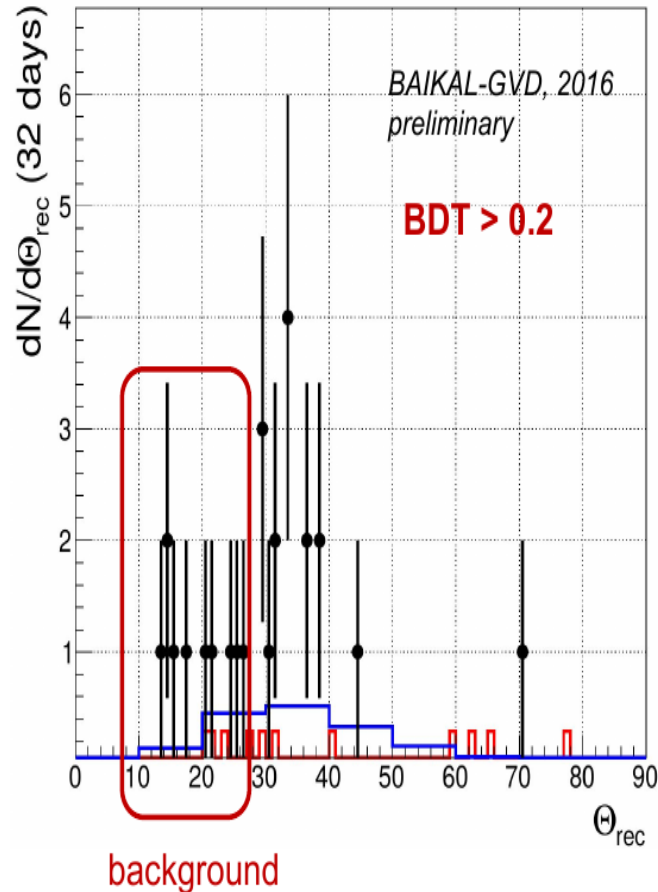
RA=173.4° Dec=13.9°
Equatorial coordinates

Distribution of events on multiplicity of the triggered channels (N_{hit}) in comparison with background from μ_{atm}



Preliminary muon neutrino flux results

See talk G. Safronov



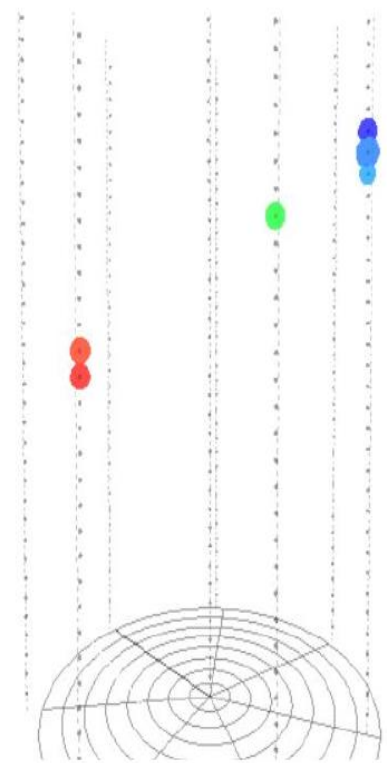
Muon track reconstruction software is implemented

BDT discriminant to reject atmospheric muon background

Three datasets (15, 32, 50 live days) with different data quality and BDT selections:

- Flux results agree with each other within the statistical error
- Conservative flux estimate:

1 neutrino per ~3 days



run 241, event 104612

$\Theta_{\text{rec}} = 35.5$ deg.

BDT=0.40

This work in progress now

Procedures to certify good data are being developed

Search for neutrinos in coincidence with GW

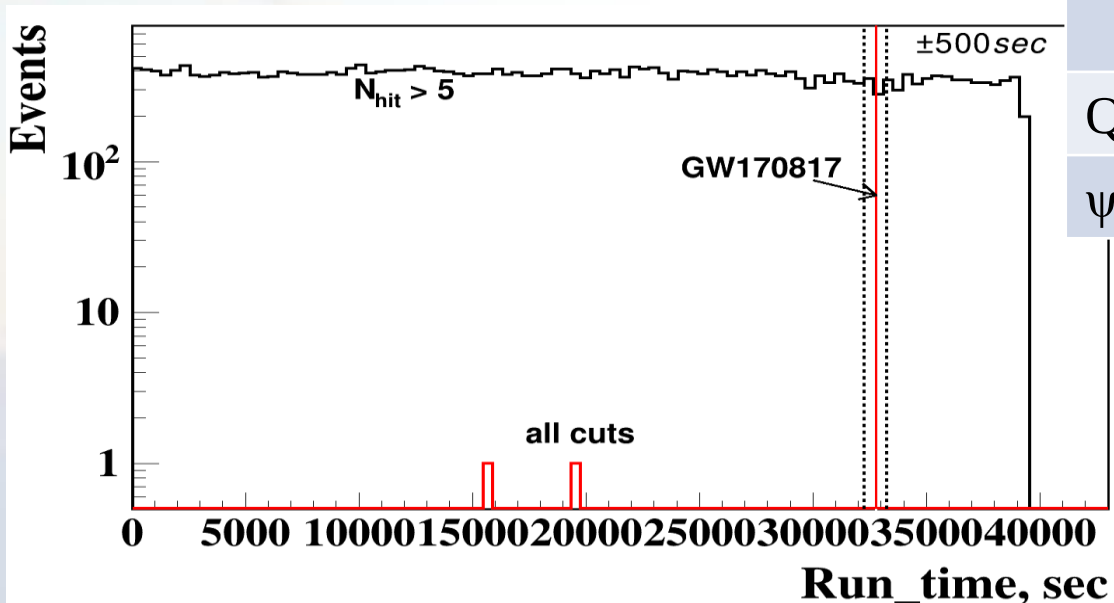
GW: 17.08.2017, (Advanced LIGO & Advanced VIRGO)

GRB170817A - 1.7 s delay (Fermi-GBM and INTEGRAL)

Cascade mode: search for events in two time-windows

GW ± 500 sec (prompt emission): zenith angle $\theta = 93^\circ$

GW +14 days (delayed emission); $74^\circ < \theta < 150^\circ$

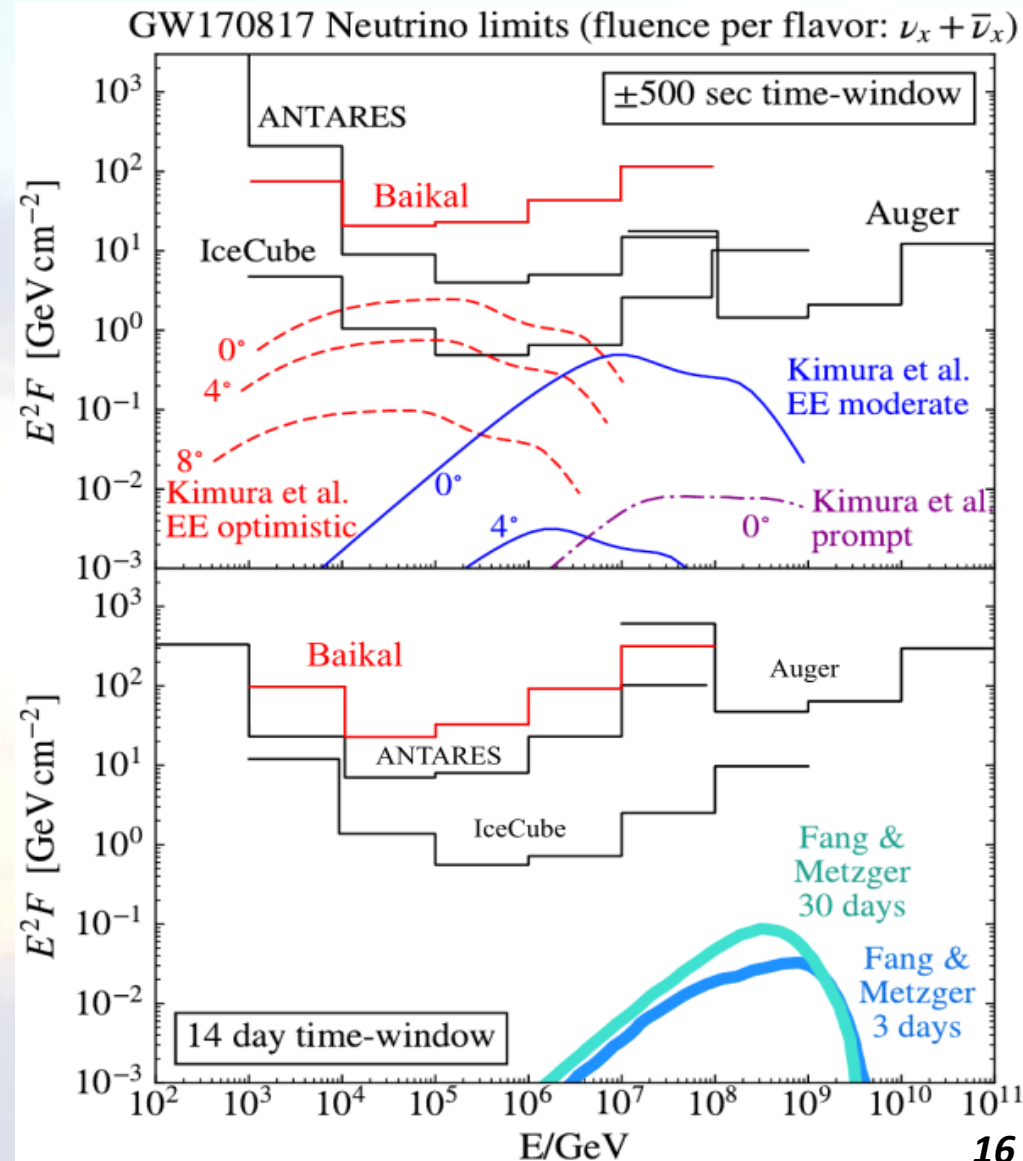


Cuts	± 500 s	14 days
N_{hit}	> 5 OM 731	> 7 OM 384116
Quality cuts	2	372
$\psi < 20^\circ$	0	0

No events in the direction
to the source wear found

Upper limits on fluence of neutrinos associated with GW

Assuming E^{-2} spectral behavior and equal fluence in all flavors upper limits at 90% c.l. have been derived on the neutrino fluence.



GVD plans

Timeline GVD 1

Year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Nb. of clusters	1	2	3	5	7	9
Nb. of OMs	288	576	864	1440	2016	2592

Main tasks 2019

- Two clusters deployment
- Reliability increasing.

- Additional facilities for long-term tests of electronics are foreseen.
- Created a conditions for the laying of two shore cables during the season.
- The increasing of manpower during the expedition to Baikal is foreseen.

Completion of equipment preparation for two clusters is planned for December 2018.

Summary

- Three GVD clusters (864 OMs) is under operation now.
- Experimental data obtained in period 2015 - 2017 were used to search for neutrino events of astrophysical nature.
- Two clusters are expected to be deployed next year.
- Completion of the GVD-1 is expected in 2020-2021.

Thank you for your attention

