



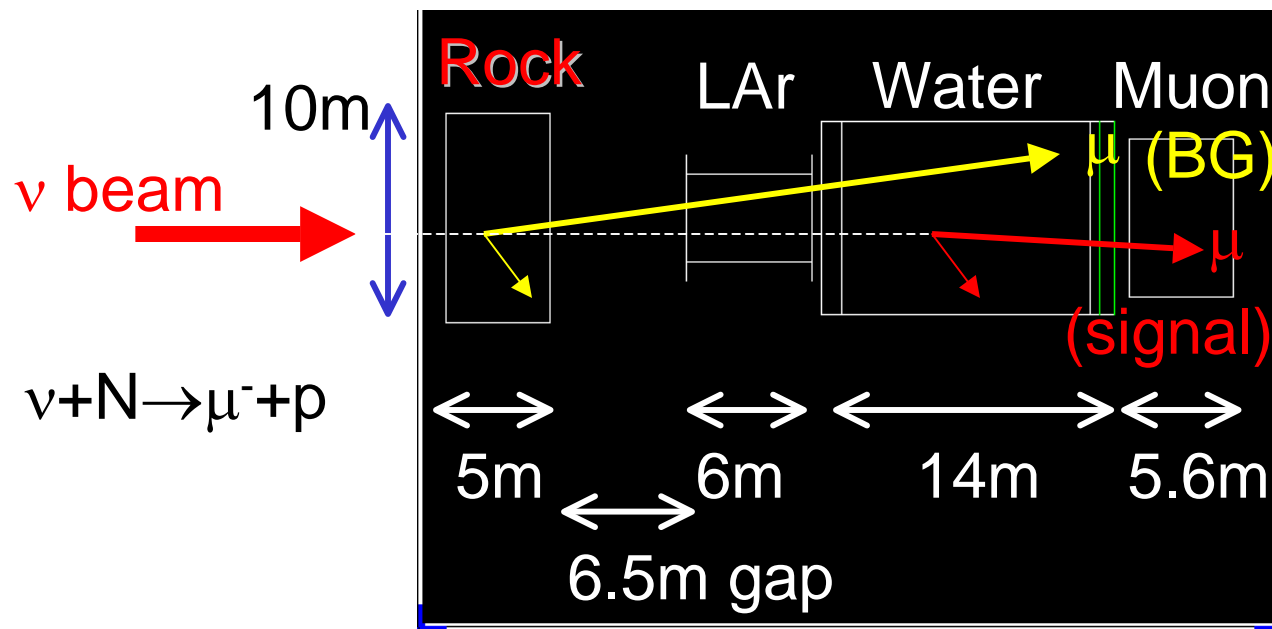
# Background study : muons from the upstream rock

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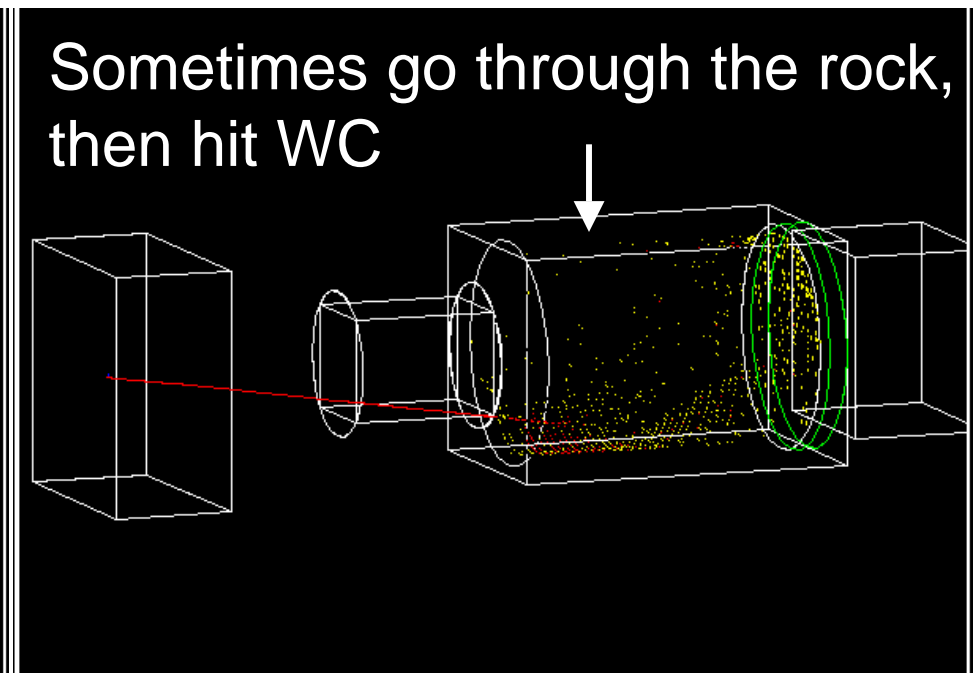
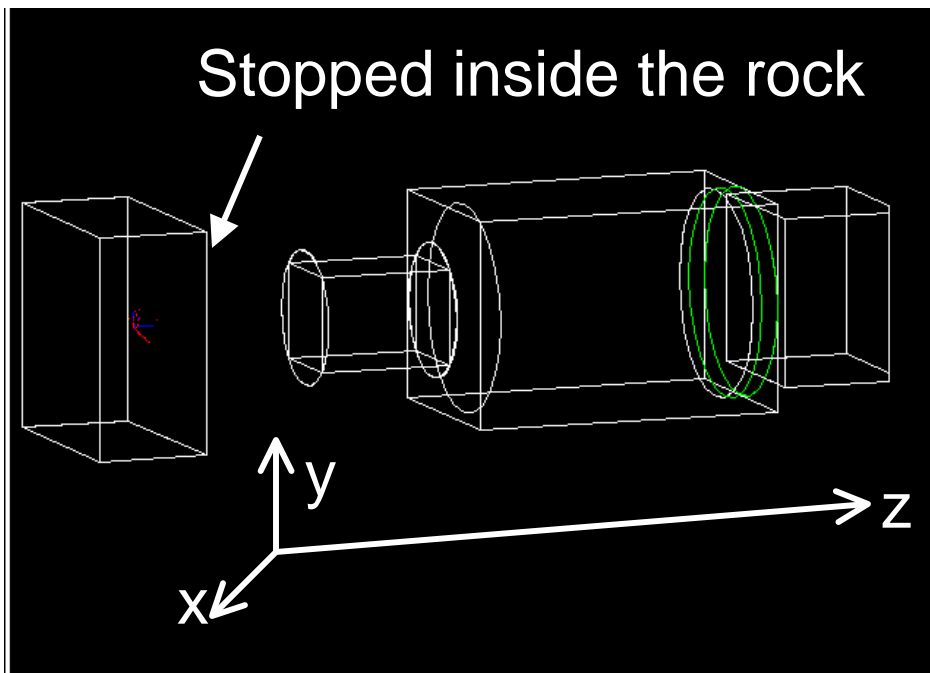
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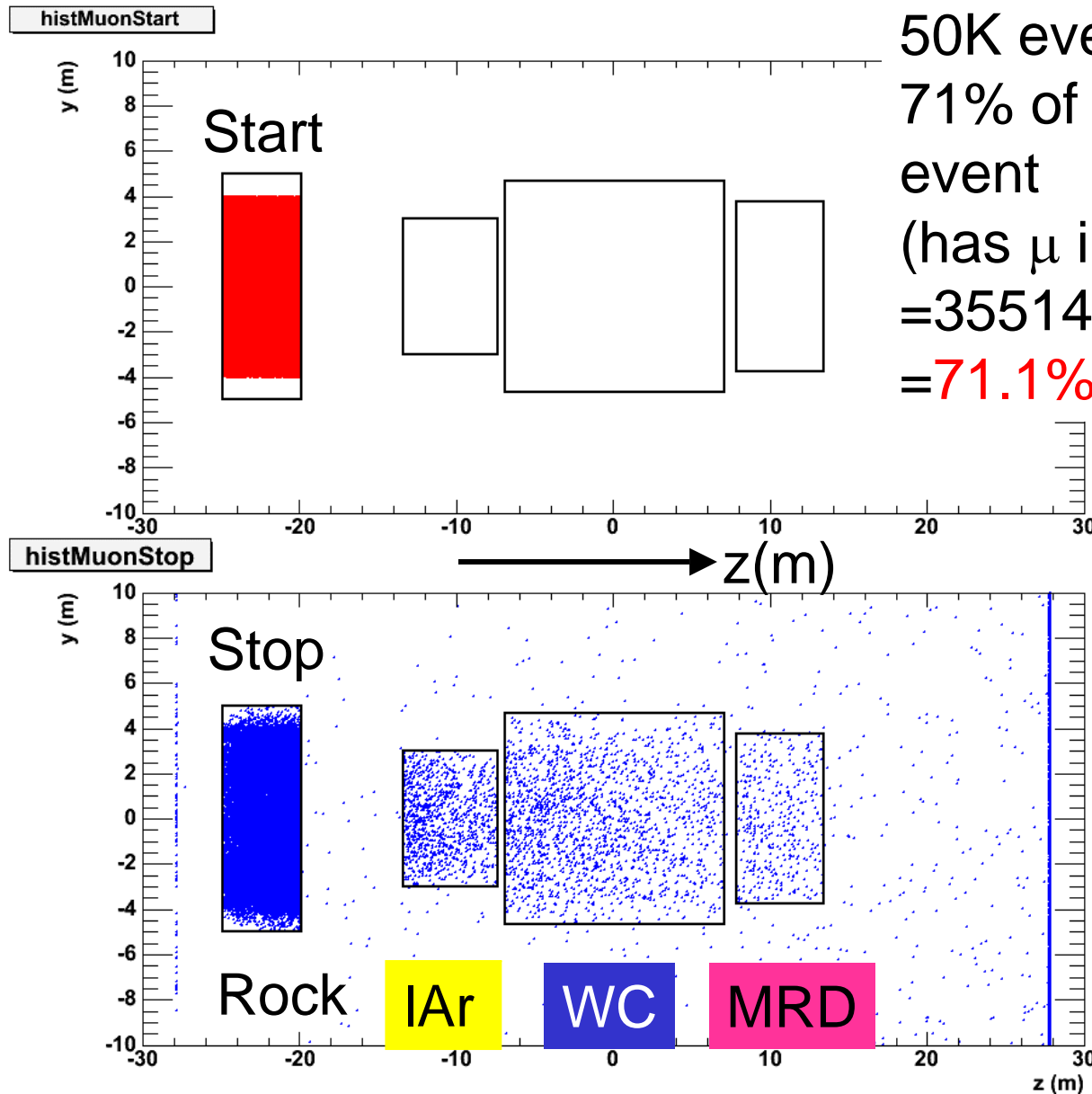
- Since Water Cerenkov detector can not detect more than one neutrino interaction per spill, it is important to make sure the fraction of muons coming from rock
  - SIGNAL :  $\mu$  interaction in the WC
  - BG :  $\mu$  from the rock hit the WC
- Add concrete block (10m×10m×5m) upstream side in experimental hall of T2K



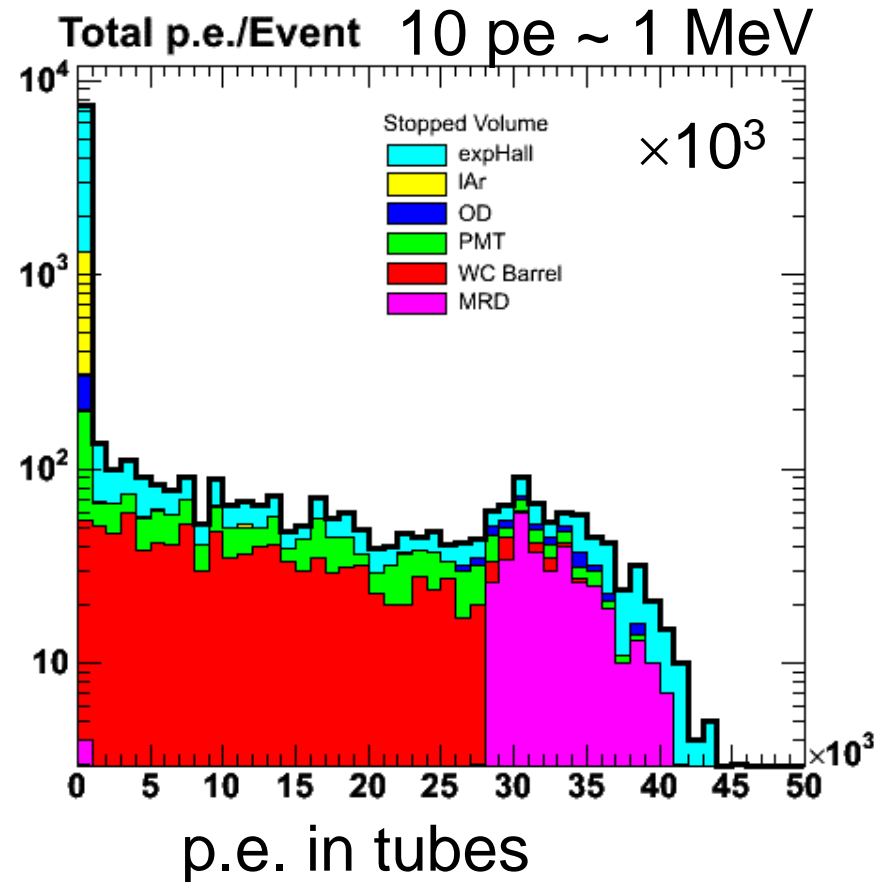
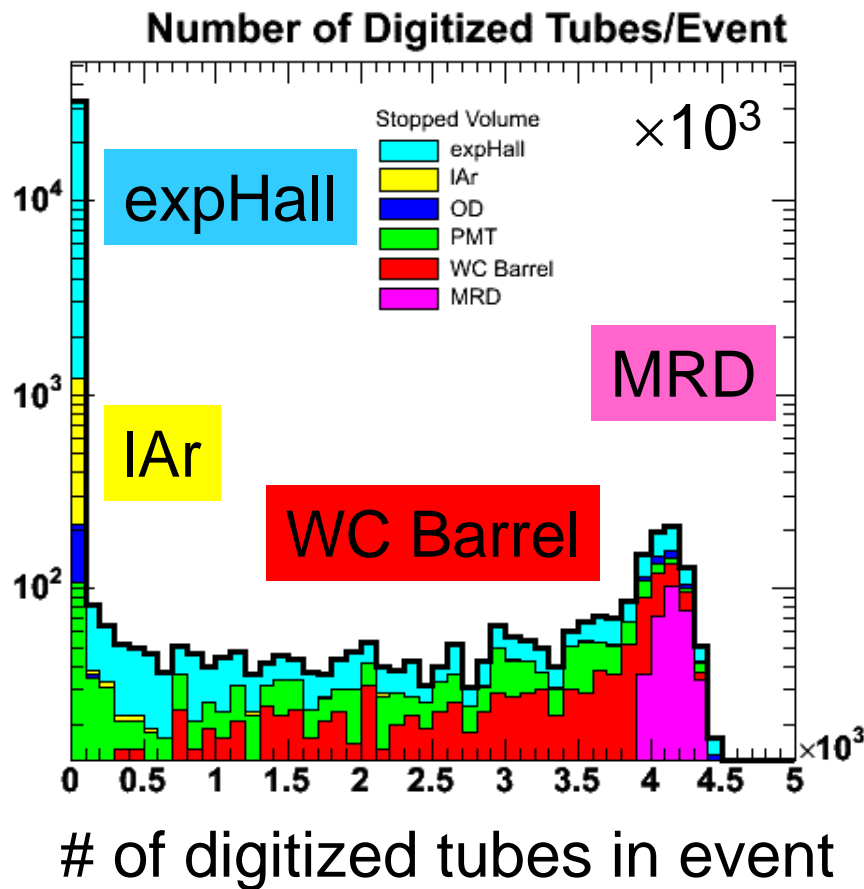
- Material of Rock is  $\text{SiO}_2$ , density =  $2.7 \text{ g/cm}^3$ ,  
 $dE/dx=1.7 \text{ MeV}\cdot\text{cm}^2/\text{g}$
- $2.7 \times 1.7 = 4.59 \text{ MeV/cm} = 0.46 \text{ GeV/m}$   
 Muon lose  $\sim 0.5 \text{ GeV}$  of energy per 1 m
- 5m thickness  $\rightarrow 2.5 \text{ GeV}$  muon can go through  $\sim 5 \text{ m}$ , then stop
- Muon has proper momentum distribution (peak at  $\sim 0.4 \text{ GeV}$ )  
 and its vertex is set to inside the rock



# Start and Stop positions of muon



50K events are generated  
 71% of events has muons in event  
 $(\text{has } \mu \text{ in event}) / (\text{generated})$   
 $= 35514 / 49970$   
 $= 71.1\%$



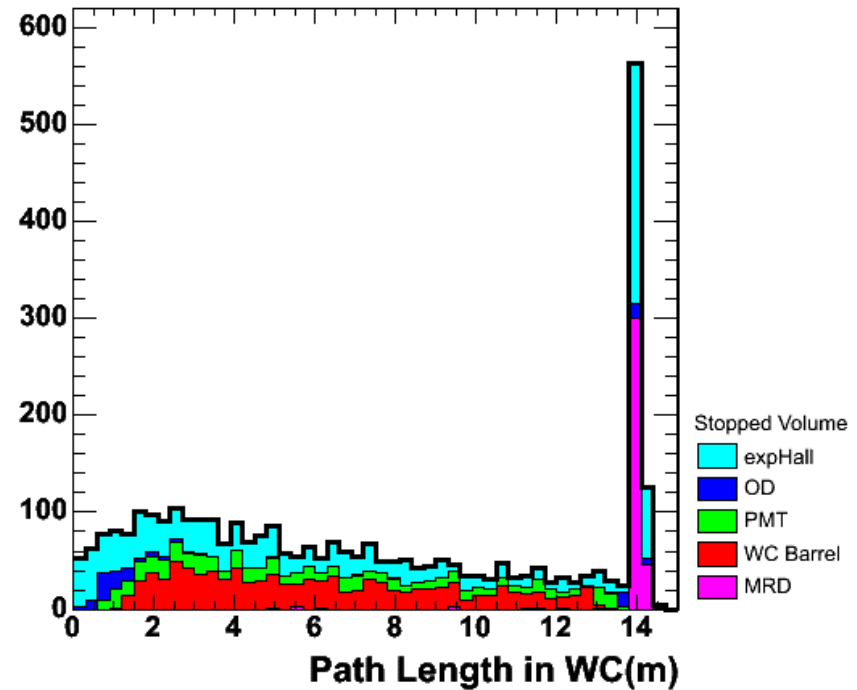
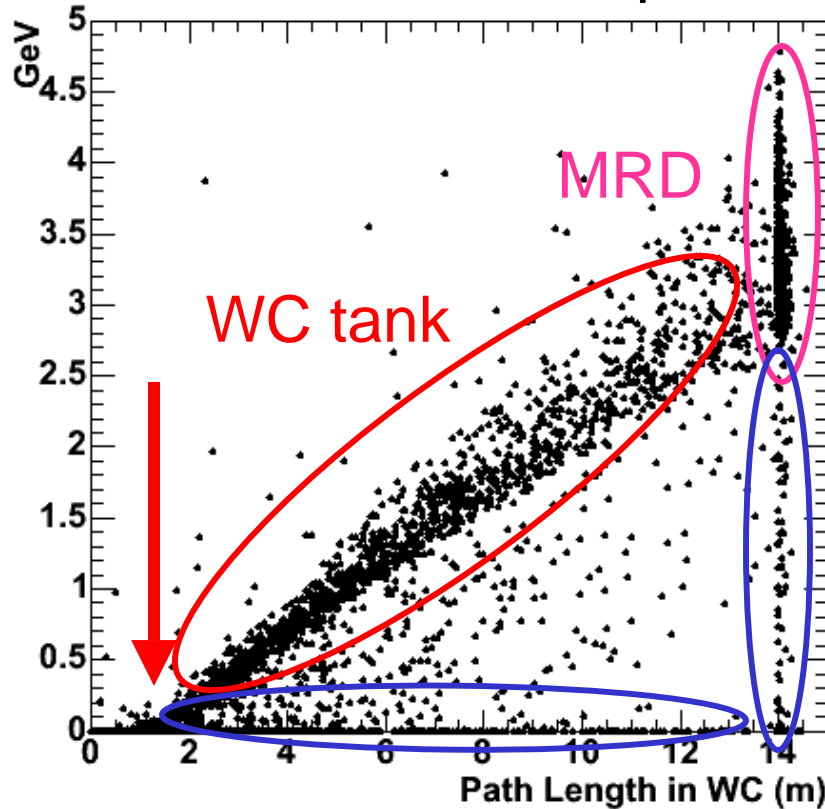
✓ (Has digitized tubes at least one in event) / (generated)  
 =  $2917/49970 = 5.8\%$

✓ # of tube or p.e. cut probably won't work to reduce BG of  $\mu$   
 from rock. May need OD to identify incoming muons

## Overlapping rate of $\mu$ from rock in WC

- Interaction rate : 1 interaction/ spill / 1000 tons of water
- For rock :  
 $10\text{m} \times 10\text{m} \times 5\text{m} = 500 \text{ m}^3 \text{ rock} = 500 \times 2.7 \sim 1400 \text{ tons of water}$
- In rock :  
 $1400 \text{ tons of water} \times 1 \text{ interaction/ spill / 1000 tons}$   
 $= 1.4 \text{ interaction/ spill}$   
 $(1.4 \text{ int/ spill}) (0.058 \text{ WC events/ int})$   
 $= \underline{0.08 \text{ events/ spill}}$  muons come from the rock and make digitized hits in WC
- No beam structure are taken into account. Timing information may help to reduce the BG

## Correlation between path length and charge(p.e.) in water tank

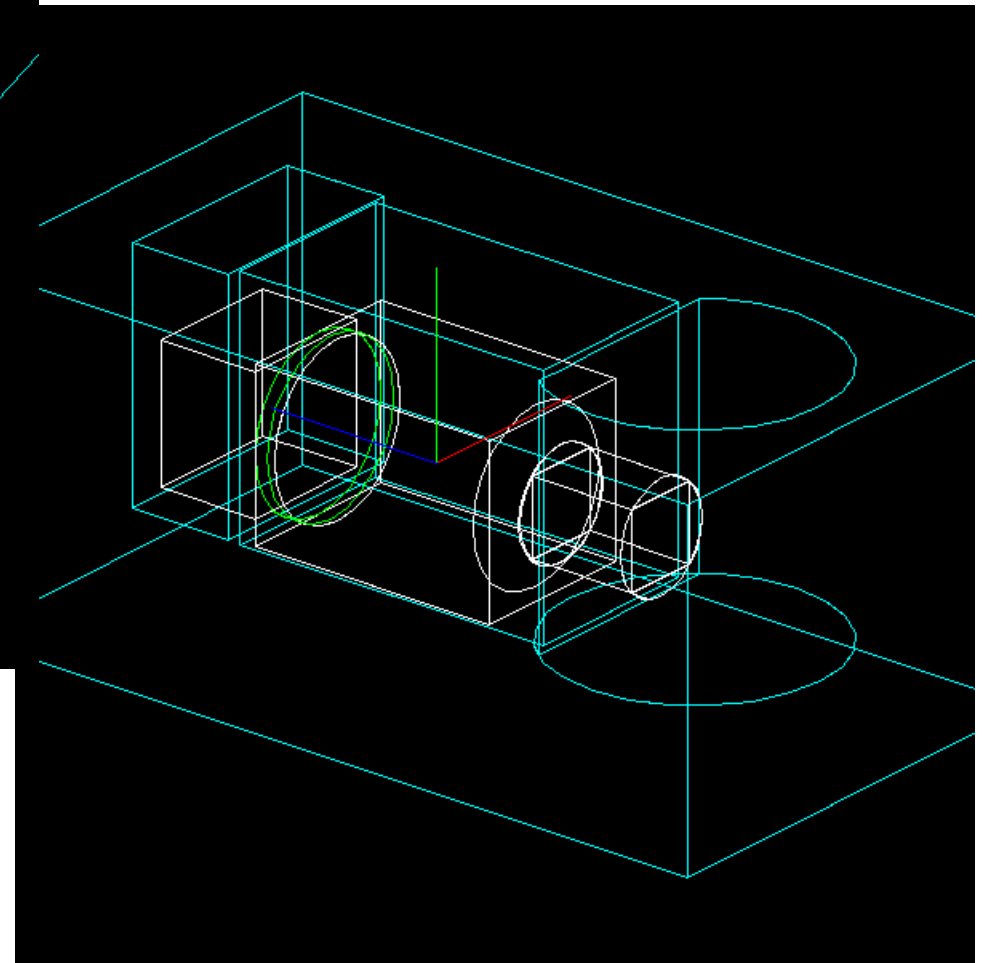
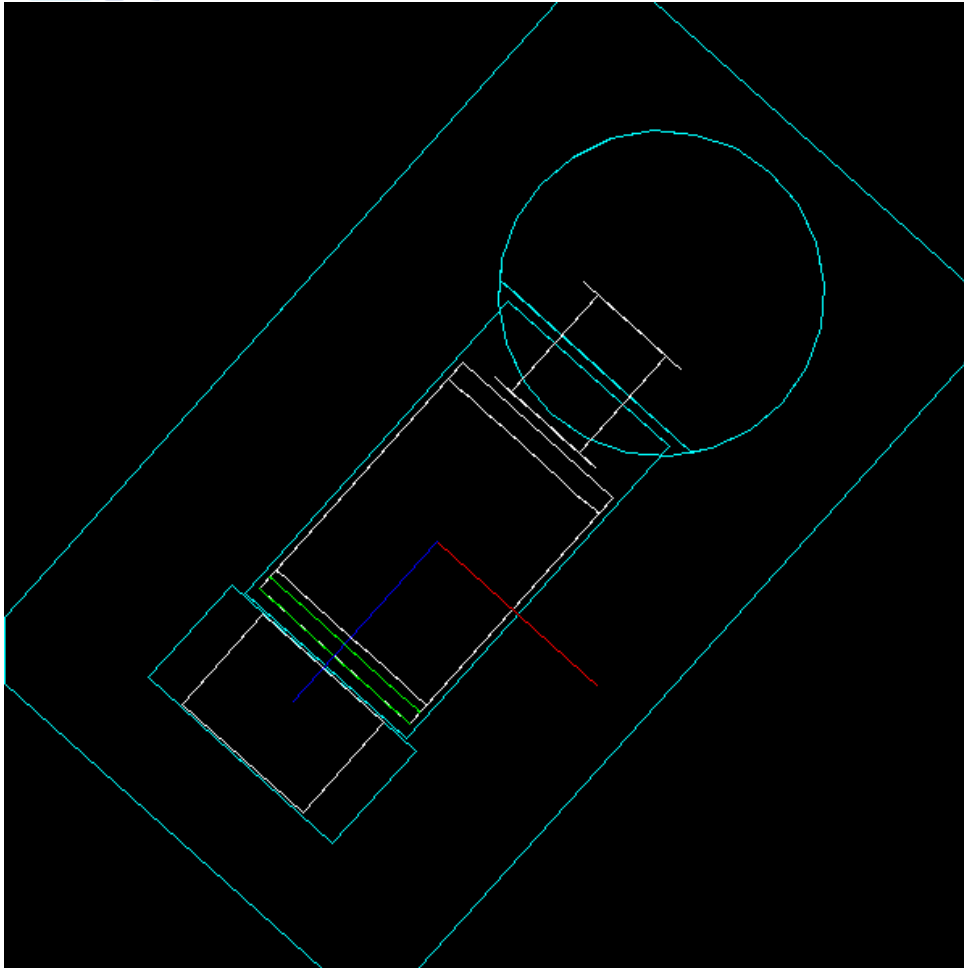


Experimental hall

- ✓ Charge  $\propto$  path length (x) : can measure  $E(\mu)$  with  $dE/dx$
- ✓ Need at least  $\sim 1.5$  m to make a Cerenkov light. It may get worse the energy resolution

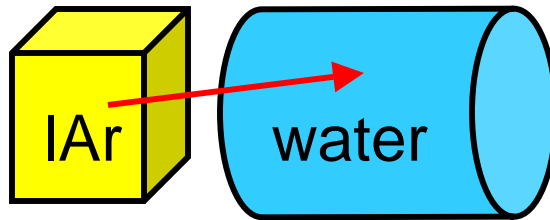
# Current status of Rock Walls

Still need to work...

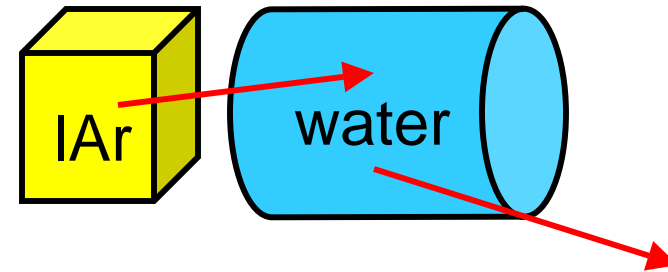




- Muons from the IAr are also the BG



Signal



Background

IAr : vertex + track info  $\rightarrow$  path length(x)  $\rightarrow$   $E(\mu)_{IAr}$

$$E(\mu)_{total} = E(\mu)_{IAr} + E(\mu)_{water\ tank}$$



- I calculated the event rate which muon coming from the upstream rock hit the water tank, 0.08 events/ spill
- The number of minimum tube or p.e. cut probably won't work to reduce BG of  $\mu$  from rock
- Calculated the path length of muon in the water tank. This becomes a good cross-check tool of  $E(\mu)$
- Constructing Rock walls around the detectors, I found some discrepancies between the first proposal and current G4 constructed ones
- I will finish to construct walls soon and estimate the background from the muons from IAr detector as well