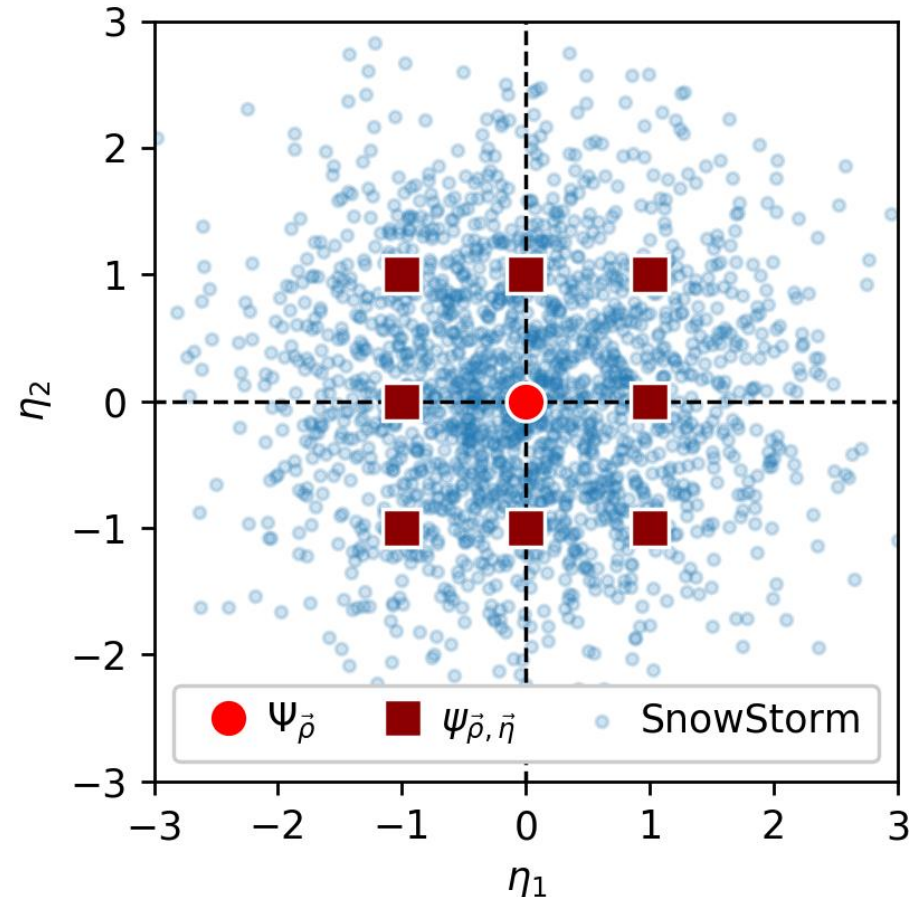


SnowStorm Simulation Chain – Overview

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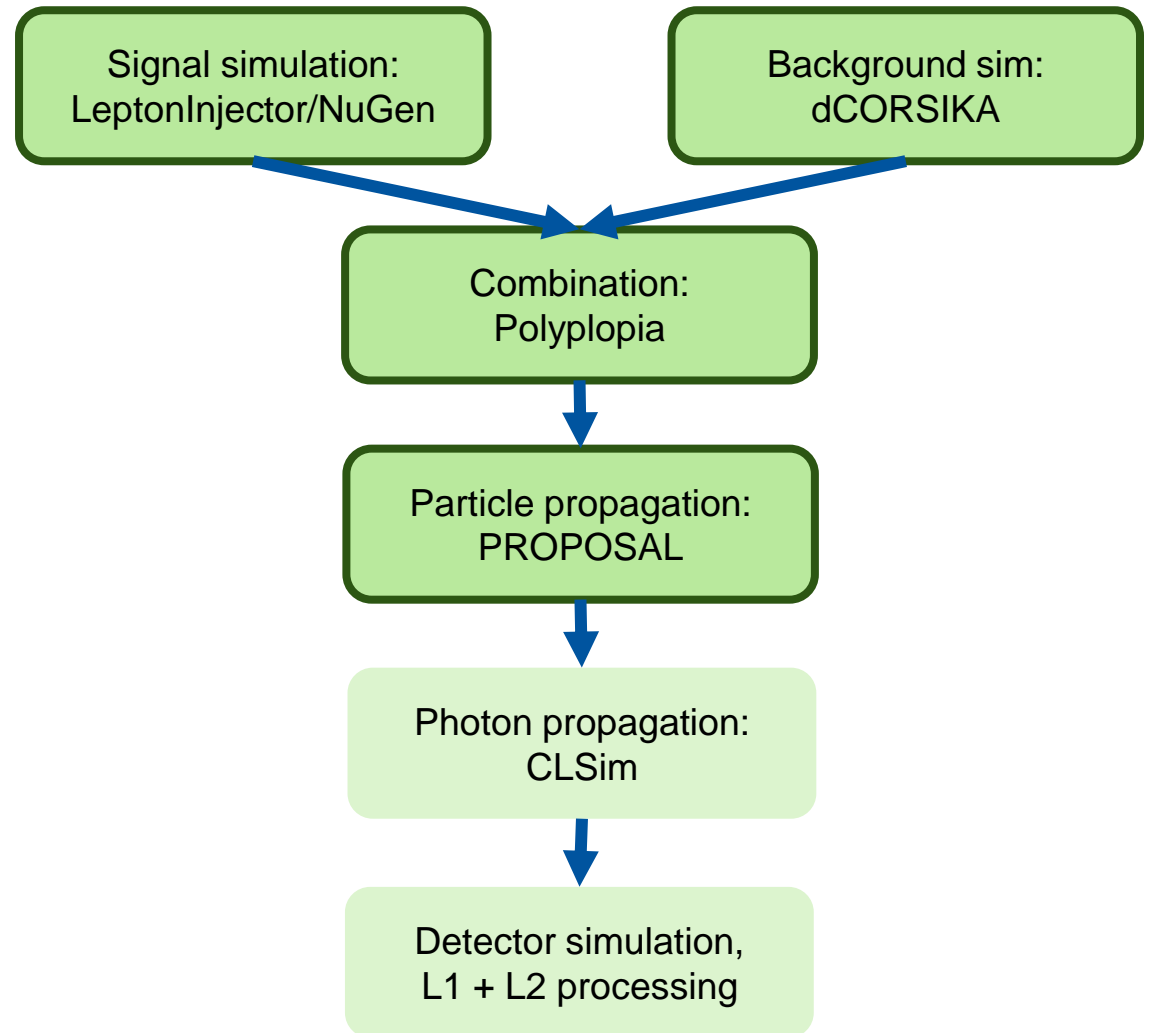
What is SnowStorm?

- Method for detector systematic treatment development by Ben Jones et.al. ([paper](#), [slides](#))
 - “traditional” approach: discrete MC sets for specific values of detector + ice parameters (red)
 - Snowstorm approach: continuous variation of nuisance parameters
 - (former Multisim)
- Ice/detector properties get perturbed/updated/sampled during simulation on an “event-to-event” basis
- Multiple nuisance parameters varied within a single MC set
- Based on the “standard” simulation chain with some tweaks to PhotonPropagation (CLSim)



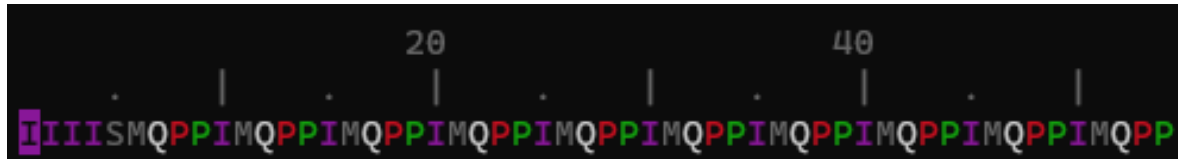
SnowStorm Simulation Chain - Overview

- Signal + background simulation: NuGen/LeptonInjector and CORSIKA
 - NuGen used in first production
- Combination/Merging: Polyploia
 - Directly merge signal+background primaries into a single I3MCTree level
 - No distinct signal/background MCTree
- Particle Propagation: PROPOSAL (and CMC)
 - Propagation of the MCTree (containing signal + background primaries) through the ice

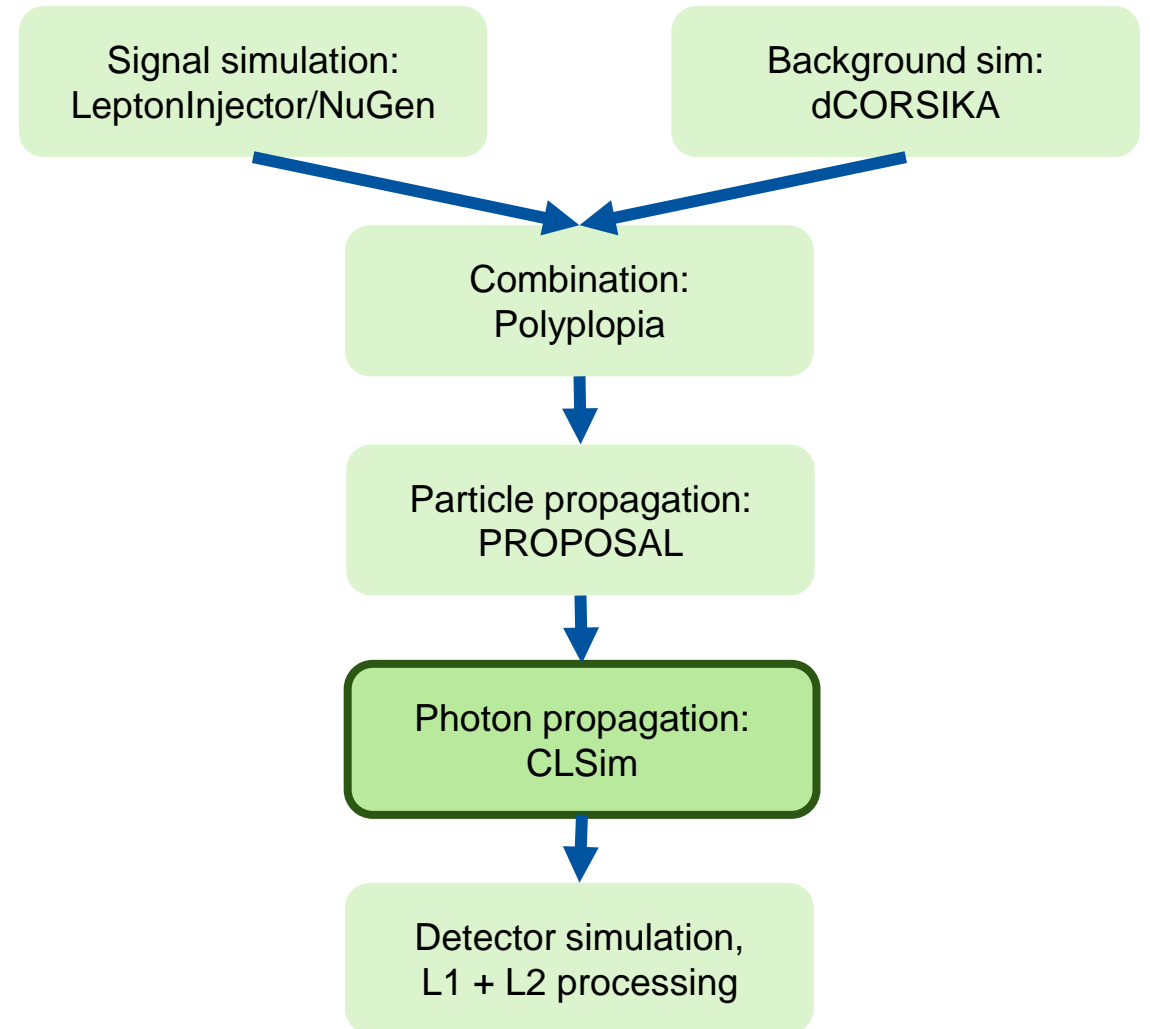


SnowStorm Simulation Chain - Overview

- Photon Propagation: CLSim
 - Instead of initializing a propagation kernel only once, update it with the detector + ice properties on an event-to-event basis by using the Snowstorm perturber → M(odel)-Frames



- “Event-to-event basis”: Update kernel after 10-1000 events (energy dependent) to minimize initialization overhead
- The perturber applies parametrizations of ice/detector systematics by sampling a value for each and updates (“perturbs”) the photon propagation kernel



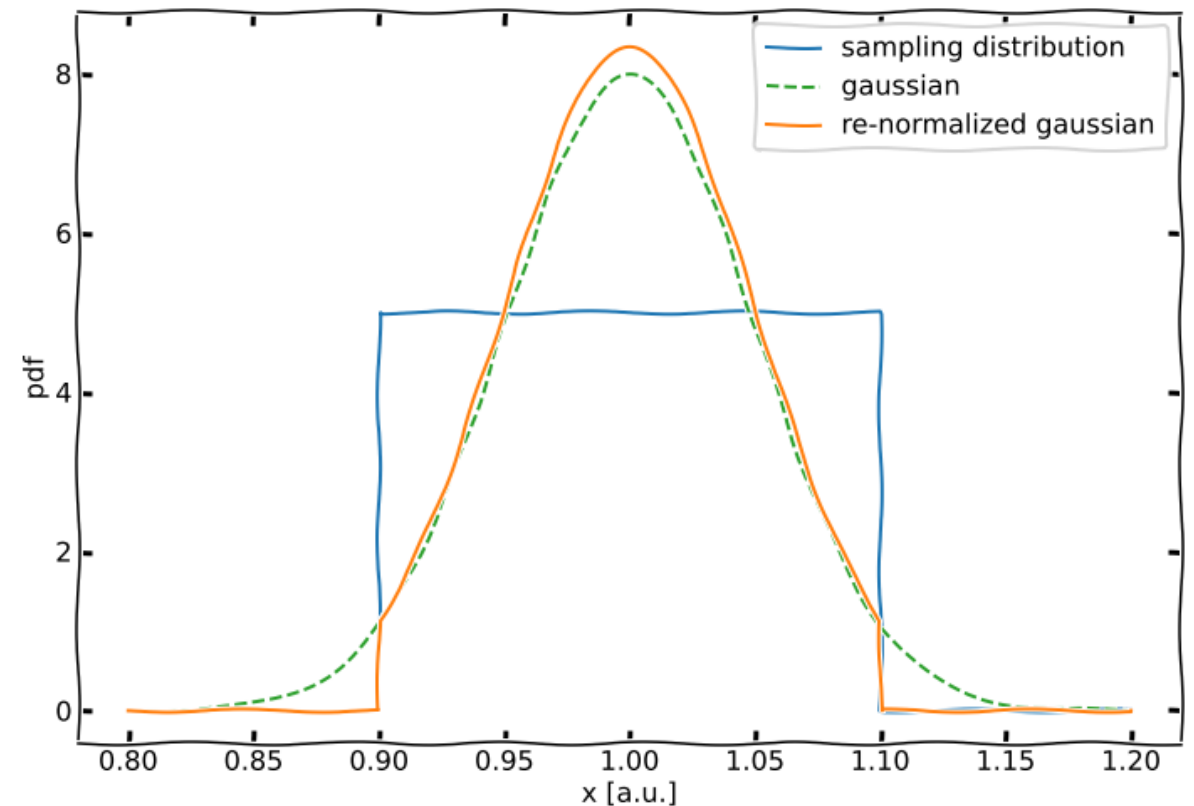
SnowStorm Perturber - Parametrizations

- Ice absorption/scattering:
 - Varied via the (depth dependent) absorption/scattering coefficients
- Anisotropy scale:
 - Scaling of anisotropy coefficients k_1 and k_2 (fixed axis)
- DOM efficiency:
 - Direct scaling of the DOMs wavelength acceptance
- HoleIce:
 - Changing the DOMs angular acceptance (but keeping the normalization)
- All perturbations are currently realized entirely by updating/rebuilding CLSim's photon propagation kernel

Systematic/Parametrization	Default Sampling Distribution	Sampling Range
<i>(IceWavePlusModes</i>	<i>MultivariateNormal</i>	<i>2x12 parameters</i>)
Scattering	uniform	[0.9, 1.1]
Absorption	uniform	[0.9, 1.1]
AnisotropyScale	uniform	[0.0, 2.0] (= 0-15%)
DOMEfficiency	uniform	[0.9, 1.1]
HoleIceForward_Unified	uniform	p0 [-1.0, +1.0] p1 [-0.2, +0.2]

SnowStorm MC – Towards the Use in an Analysis

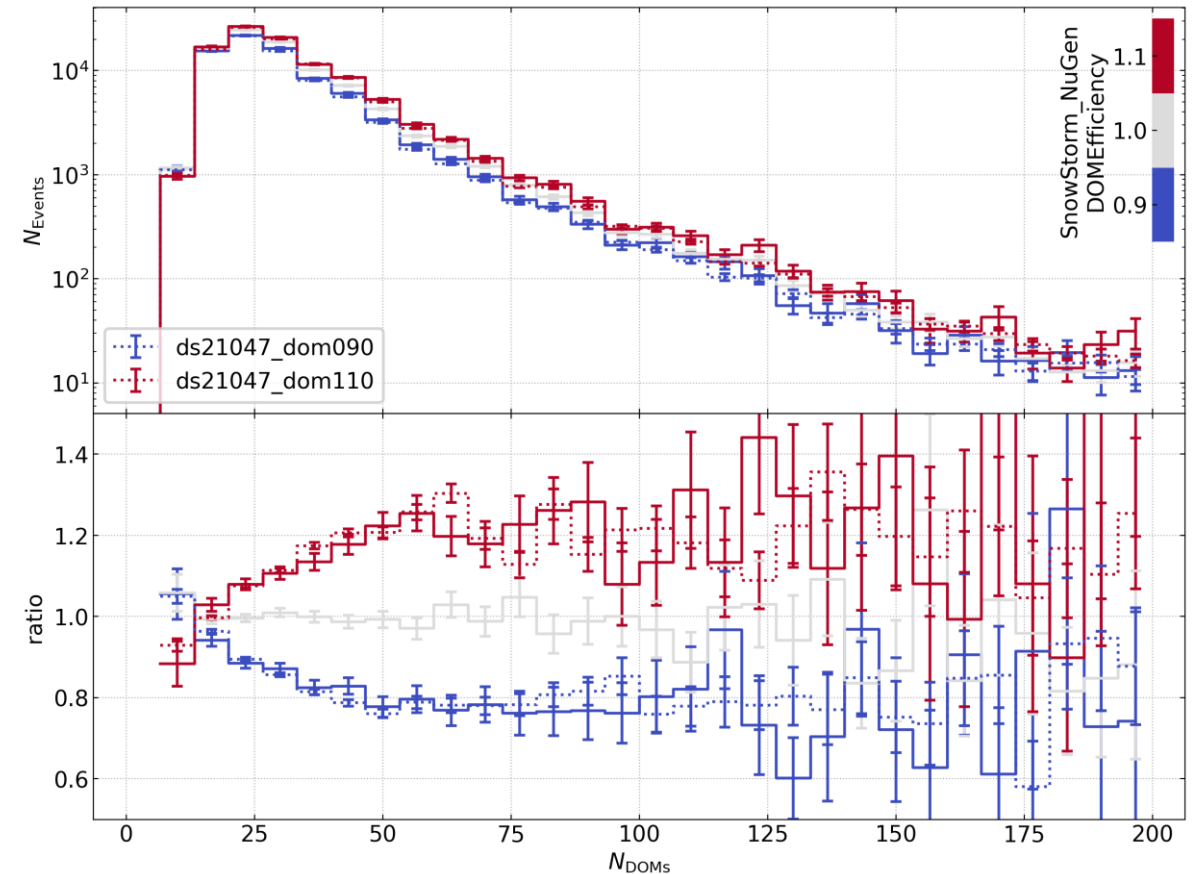
- SnowStorm: Continuous variation of nuisance parameters (detector systematics) instead of multiple discrete sets for specific values
- Reweighting of the same simulation set to different distributions/values of systematic parameters on analysis level
- A single SnowStorm sets replaces both, baseline + systematic sets
- Easily expandable: just need to “expand” the sampling distribution to account for the new sets in the reweighting
- No need to use all SnowStorm systematics within the set: marginalizing (=no reweighting) for systematics you don’t want to use



SnowStorm – Production Status and Proof of Concept

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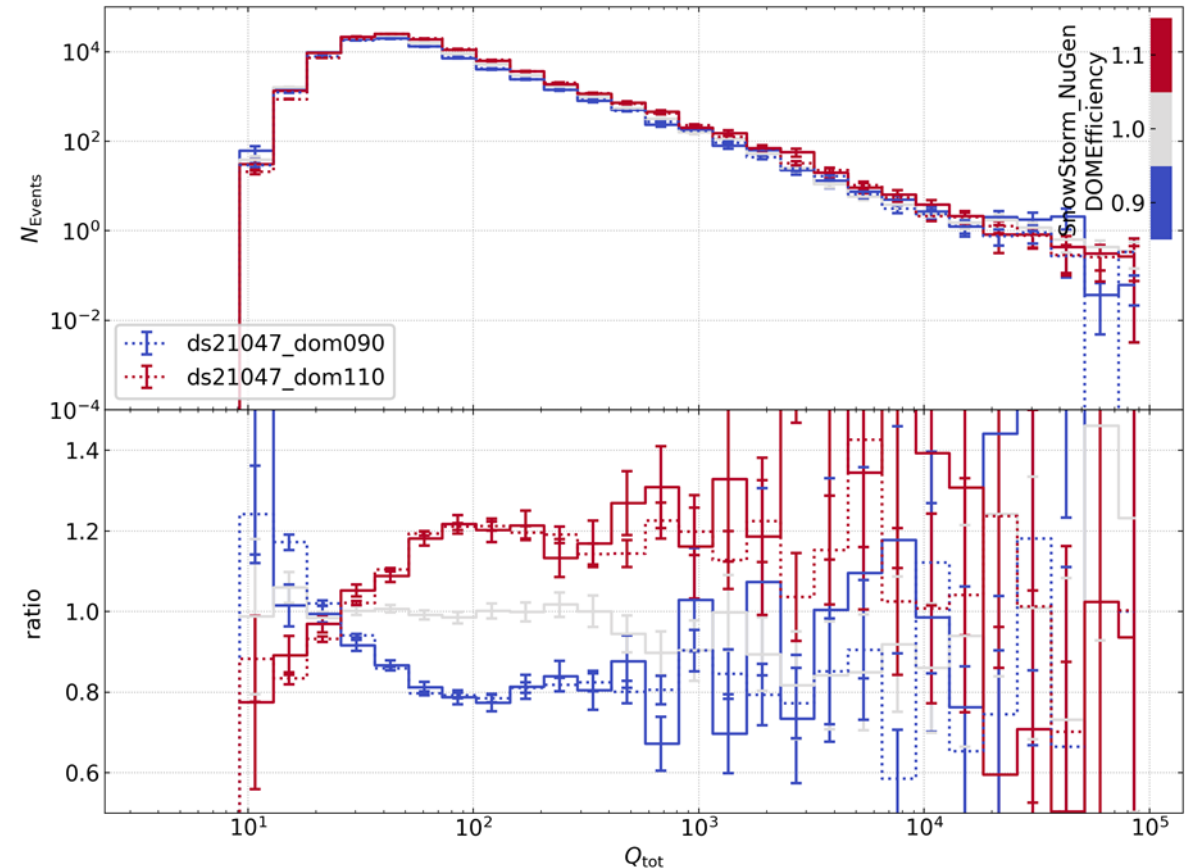
N_{DOMs} : Number of hit DOMs for different DOM Effs.



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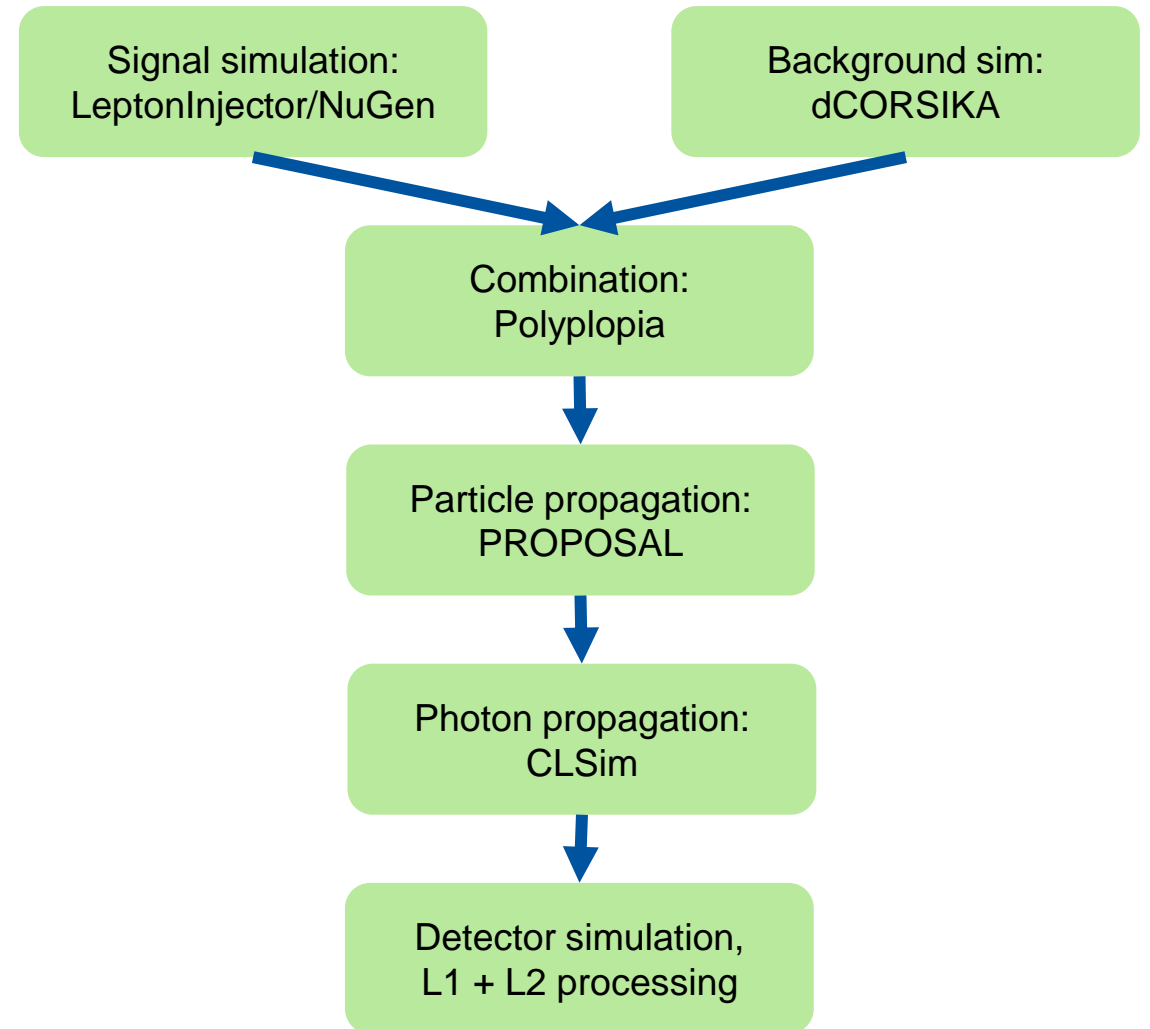
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- First production is aiming for analysis framework/tool development:
 - Update analysis tolls/frameworks to Snowstorm MC
 - Development of new/advanced analysis techniques
 - Verify those new techniques/tools by using the available discrete simulation sets

Qtot: Total charge per event for different DOM Effs.



SnowStorm Simulation Chain – Summary Part I

- ✓ Snowstorm simulation chain production right now
 - ✓ **py3-v4.1.1** with combo.V01-00-02
- ✓ Proof of concept for reweighting SnowStorm systematics
 - ✓ Can recover discrete systematic sets
 - ✓ Marginalizing works as well
- ✓ snowstorm project (in combo) contains the perturber + systematic parametrizations
- ✓ Simulation (chain) scripts located in: `simprod-scripts/resources/scripts/SnowSuite`
- ✓ Thanks to everyone involved in the development!

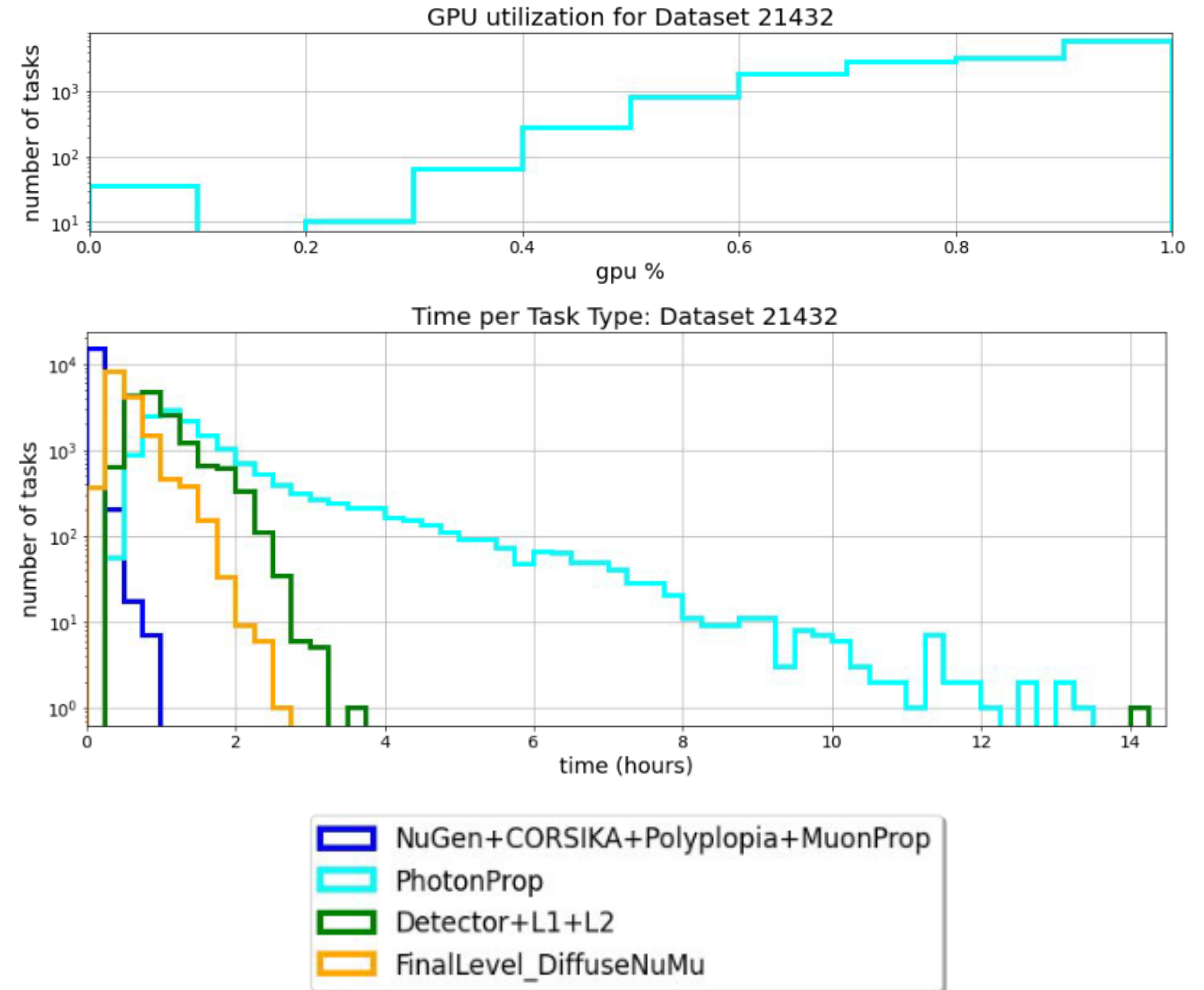


SnowStorm MC

Resource usage/efficiency

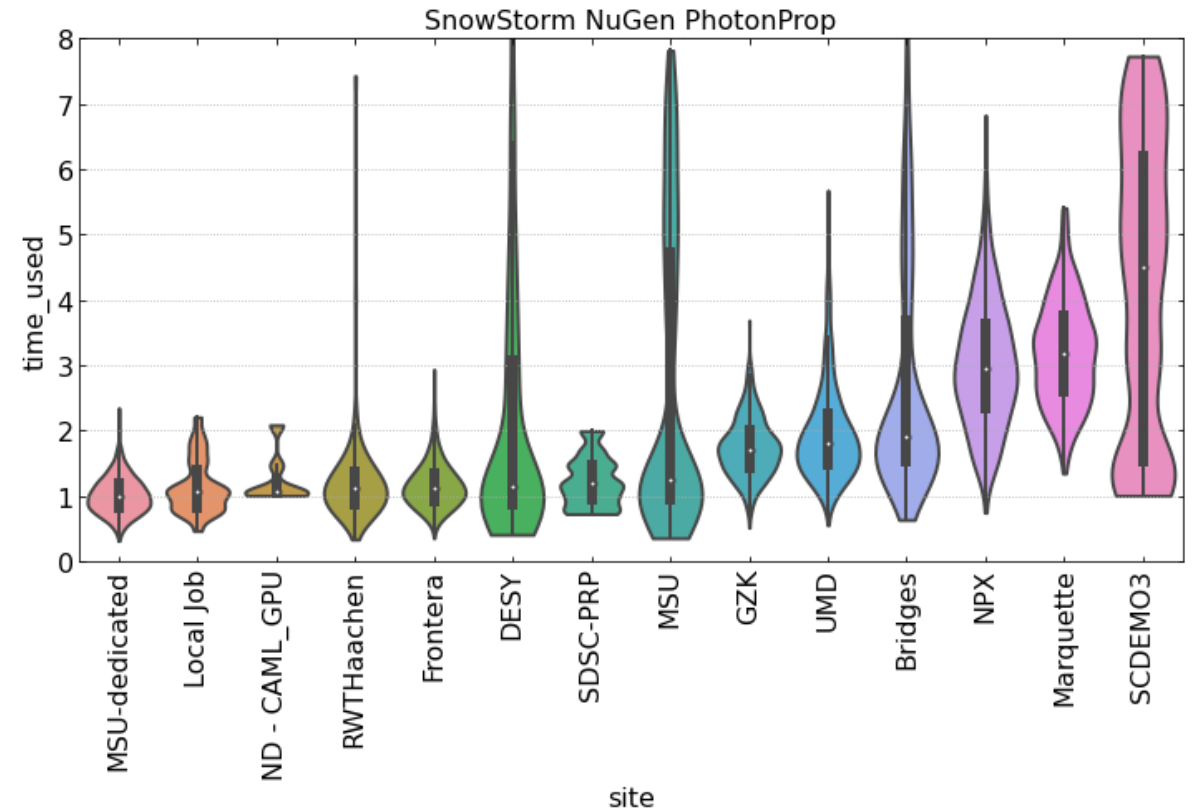
SnowStorm – Resource Usage/Efficiency

- David showed some plots on the resource usage of the SnowStorm NuMu set yesterday
- Before submitting the SnowStorm sets to iceprod we spent quite some time to use the available resources as efficient as possible:
 - Optimized jobs/tasks for an average runtime of 2h
 - Reduce CLSims initialization overhead by tweaking the number of M frames per job
 - Split the simulation into 3 energy ranges with different nJobs, nEvents, spectral index, nMFrames
 - 1e2 – 1e4, 1e4 – 1e6, 1e6 – 1e8 GeV
 - Submitted (multiple) small benchmarks sets before to test those settings
- However: we encountered some problems trying to create an „on average“ resource efficient job, especially in terms of task runtime and GPU utilization



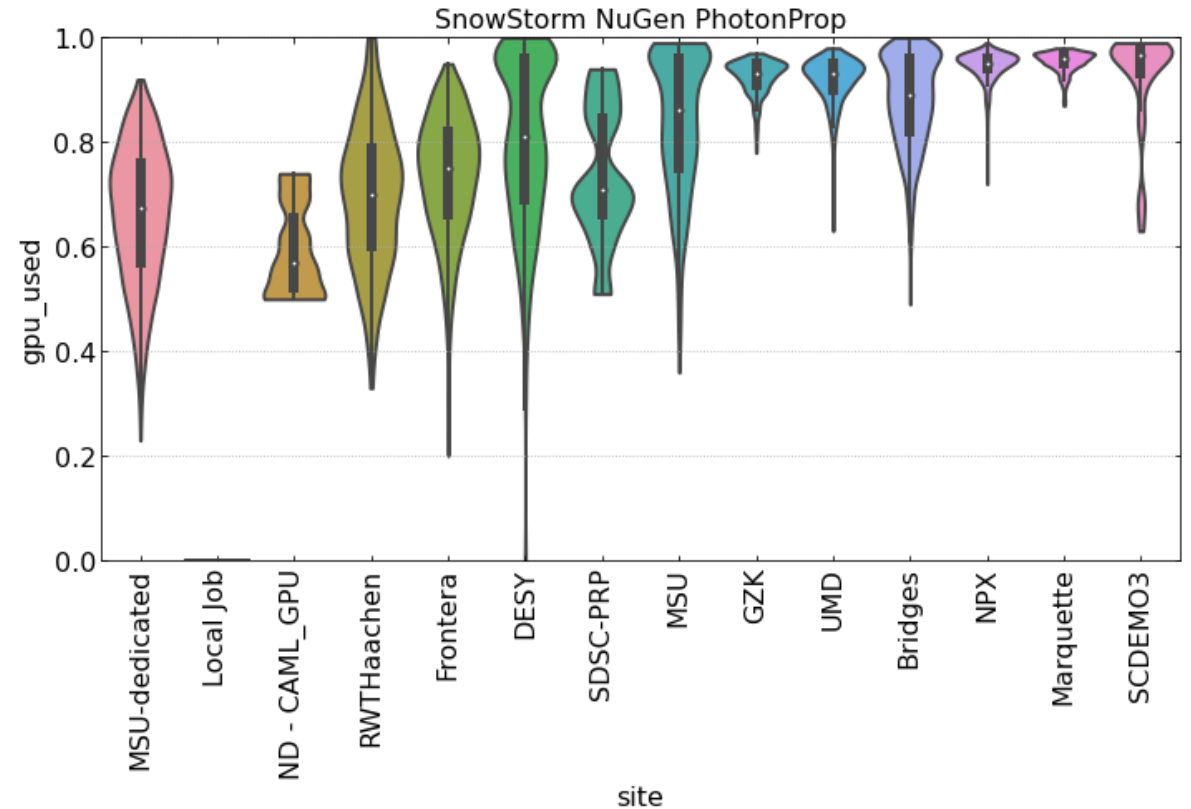
SnowStorm – Runtime of PhotonPropagation Task

- We have a variety of different GPUs in the pyglidein pool:
 - NPX/Marquette: GeForce GTX 980/1080
 - Bridges: Tesla K80
 - DESY: Tesla K20m, K80, P4, RTX2080 Ti
 - MSU: Tesla K80, V100
 - MSU-dedicated: GeForce RTX 2080 Ti
- Huge differences in the task runtime between the sites, ranging from 1 – 4.5h (on average)
- Difficult to optimize job/task runtime for multiple sites at once



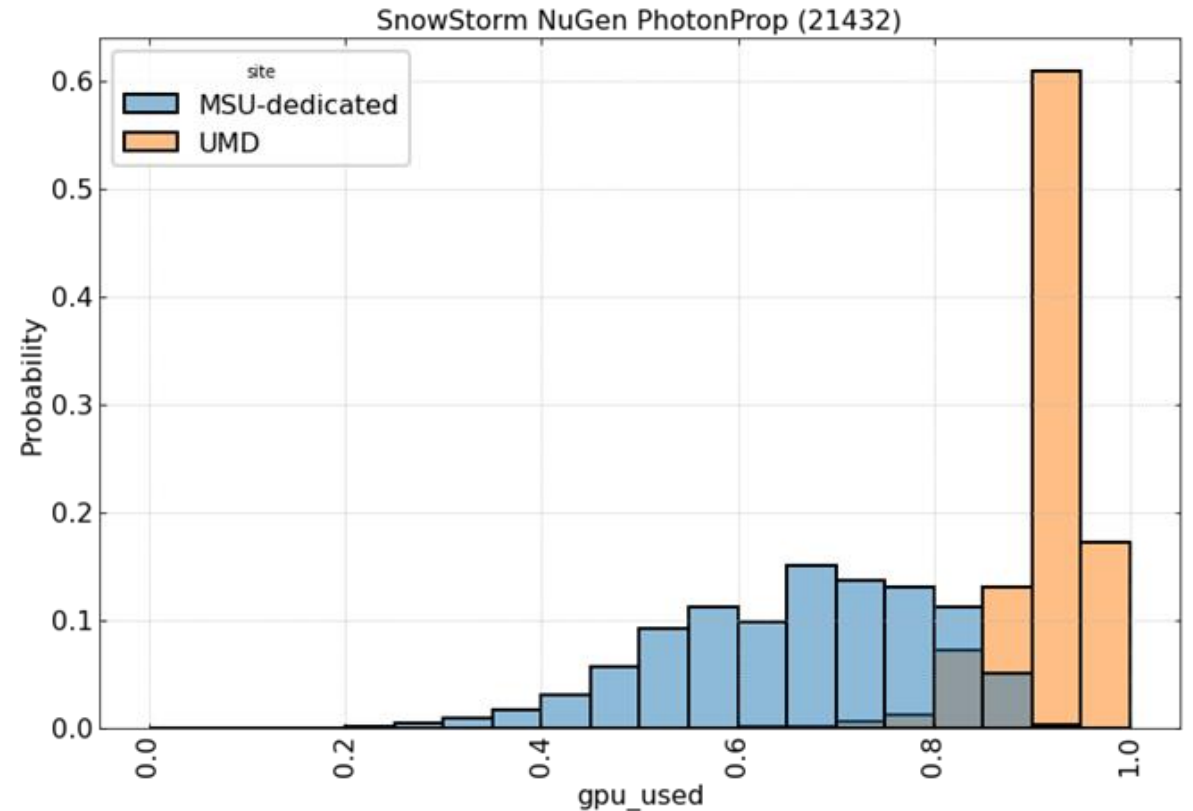
SnowStorm – GPU Utilization of PhotonPropagation Task

- GPU utilization for different sites
 - Good utilization: UMD, NPX, Bridges
 - Bad utilization: MSU, DESY
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- For Snowstorm we tried to optimize the sets as best as possible:
 - Highlights differences between the sites
 - Problems more visible as for other sets



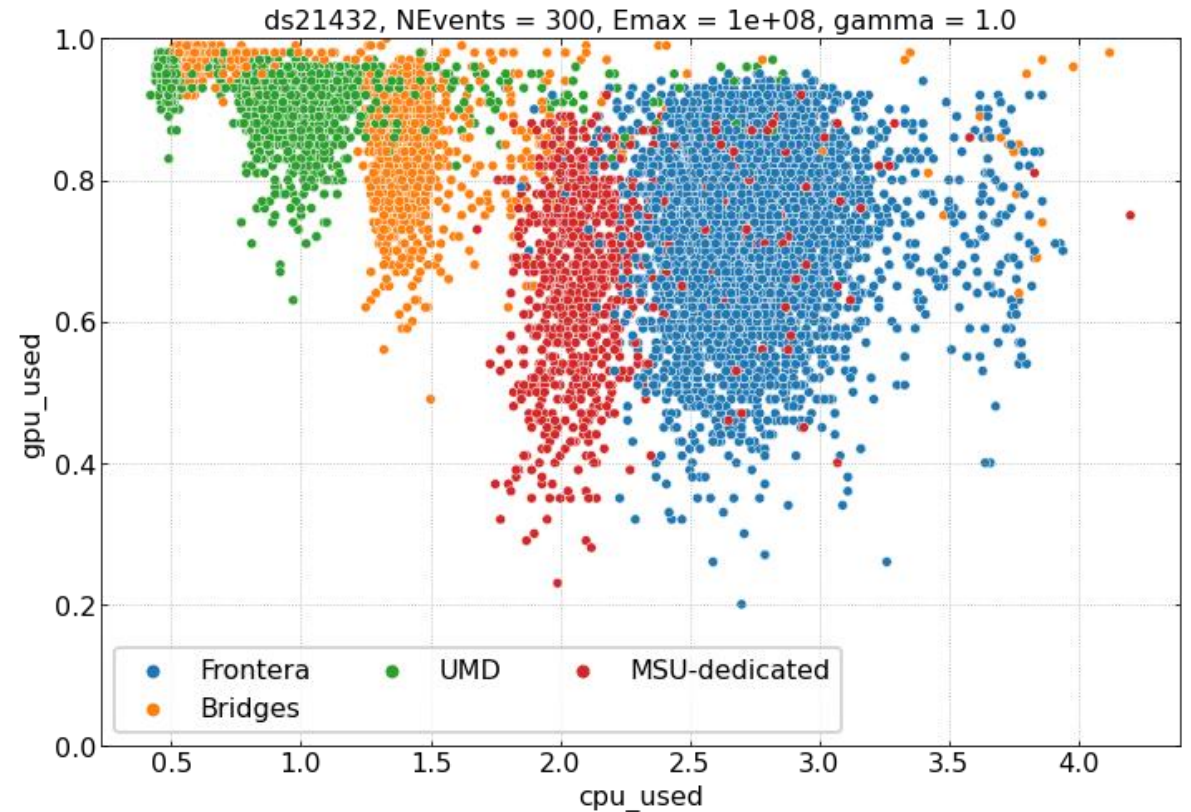
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- It's impossible to make the same job to utilize >90% GPU on all sites
- At least on „user level“ by only tweaking nEvents, energy range, spectral index, etc.
- Distribute jobs/tasks e.g. energy dependent to different sites?



SnowStorm – Resource Efficiency/Utilization

- Not only the GPU utilization strongly varies between the sites, also the CPU usage...
 - CPU bottleneck when CLSim runs on fast GPUs?
 - Especially for high energy events (this set)
 - Overhead of re-initializing the propagation kernel multiple times?
 - Overhead strongly depends on GPU speed...
 - Can be reduced by reducing the number of M-frames within a job
 - However: Snowstorm method depends on sampling different ice properties, we can't reduce the overhead infinitely without losing the physics...



SnowStorm Simulation Chain – Summary Part II

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SnowStorm Simulation Chain – Outlook

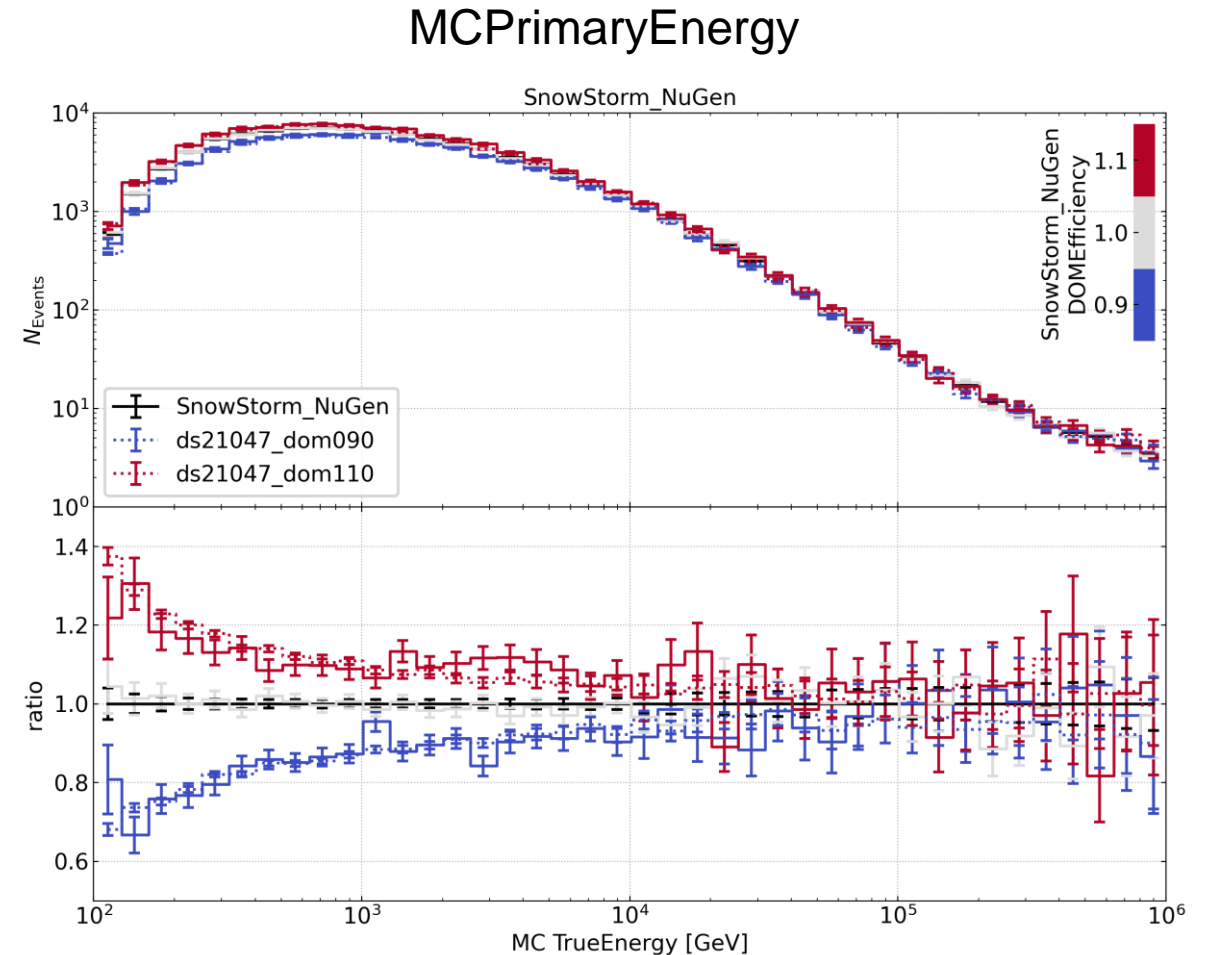
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 - Further optimize resource utilization/efficiency
 - make Snowstorm SpiceBFRv1 compatible
 - Current baseline icemodel is Spice3.2.1
 - Use the updated “Snowstorm CLSim interface” (Alexander H.)
 - DOMEff and HoleIce can be modified after the actual photon propagation
 - 3 parameters can be sampled for “free”, without additional GPU time
 - Also increases GPU utilization: less models needed
 - Need to store I3PhotonSeriesMap, at least temporarily
 - Optimize different energy ranges for different sites and distribute jobs accordingly?

Appendix

SnowStorm MC – Example: FinalLevel DiffuseNuMu

MC TrueEnergy for different DOM Effs.

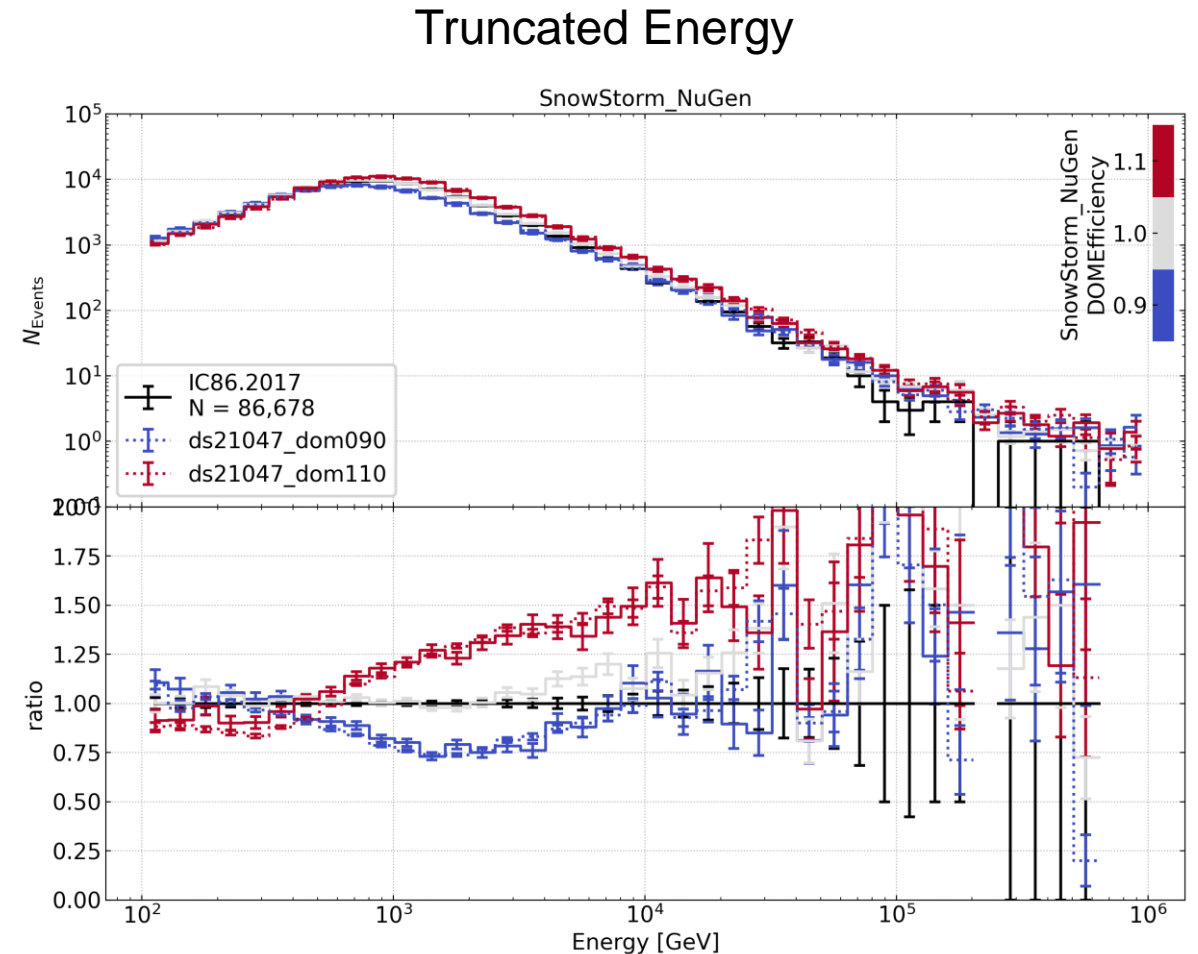
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Truncated energy for different DOM Effs.

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SplineMPEIC Zenith for different DOM Effs.

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