# Vanderbilt-QuarkNet Workshop 2021

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This will be an in-person meeting, with efforts to have Zoom going for those that may wish to attend that way.

# **Objectives**

Participating teachers will:

- Re-acquaint themselves with the Cosmic Ray Muon Detectors and their use in the classroom.
- Follow the Coding Workshop and think about the ways it can be used in the classroom.
- Re-visit connections and share resources and stories with fellow teachers.

#### Links of Interest

• GitHub 2021

#### Mon 21 June - Talks

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Welcome & introductions

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# Tues 22 June - Speed-of-"Light" with CRMDs

#### 9:00 Take Down and Setup CRMD Run

- Save data and turn off CRMDs, 9th floor.
- Set up the CRMDs in some standard order 12 gap 34, say.
- Set gap at least 2 m, but a couple of floors is good too.
- Start a data taking run, usual one full hour.

#### 9:30 Consider the Med Webster handout

- Read handout <u>Measurement of c v2.pdf</u>.
- Also pages 13-17 of VUHEP students20140227.pdf.
- Discuss the swapping of the detectors.

#### 10:00 Check Data Run

- If you have enough points, save the run and swap scintillators.
- Run the "hits" (or "hitsBill") program on the file, generate mspeed.csv.
- Re-start the run.
- Move both files (EQUIP and muspeed) via thumb drive or other means to your computer (Google Drive)

# 10:30 Create and Use Spreadsheet

## Break, as convenient

## 11:00 Collect "swapped data"

- Stop the run and create the muspeed.csv file and move to your computer.
- Generate the spreadsheet for that dataset.
- Calculate the differences in a way to cancel the time offsets and find the speed-of-muons.

#### 12:00 Lunch

#### 13:30 Continue Data Analysis and Discuss Results

#### 14:00-15:30 New run(s)

- Start a run with all the scintillators on top of one another.
- Or to ensure muons from cosmic rays, only stack one of the active scintillators on the other one.
- Take a run and generate muspeed.
- Can the timing offsets be found in the spreadsheet? Does this help with speed determination?

#### Google Colab notebook

• Try this Colab notebook.

# Weds 23 June - Thurs 24 June Coding Workshop

## 9:00-15:30 Coding Workshop

See document <u>Vanderbilt QuarkNet Coding Agenda 2-Day</u>

# Fri 25 June - Finish Coding, Survey, Cloud Chamber, de-Brief

Schedule still under development!

9:00-15:30 Finish Coding, do Surveys, build cloud chambers as time allows

09:30 Multi-floor CRMD readings?

## 13:30 Implementation plan

- Create an implementation plan.
  - We will make "posters" on the whiteboards. This <u>sample</u> will guide you as to what you might put in but the design and format are yours.

- Use anything we have done in the workshop so far or something from the <u>Data</u> Activities Portfolio.
- You can work in teams or individually.
- Connecting from home? Add a page to the sample (it is perfectly editable) and use that - or another online format, as long as it does not take too much to get going and you can share it.
- We will work on plans for about 20-30 min, make posters for about 10 min, and then present/describe our work.
- This is not a contract. You do not have to use this plan in your class...but we hope you do!
- You can <u>use this as a guide</u> for your implementation plan.

#### 14:30-15:30 Cloud Chambers Display and Demo working cloud chamber.

Follow <u>this document</u> from QuarkNet on cloud chamber construction.
Thank you to Bill Hunnicutt for the pieces and parts.