

How Decision Making Enables the Essential Connection Between Potential and Product

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Today's Thought Menu

- Decisions in Development
- Real-World Decisions on IceCube
- Summary of Universal Insight

Development Decisions

- Who are the stakeholders?
- What do they actually need?
- How do those needs interact?
- How should the effort be structured?
- Where should attention be focused?
- Which decision methods should you use?

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So, What's an IceCube?

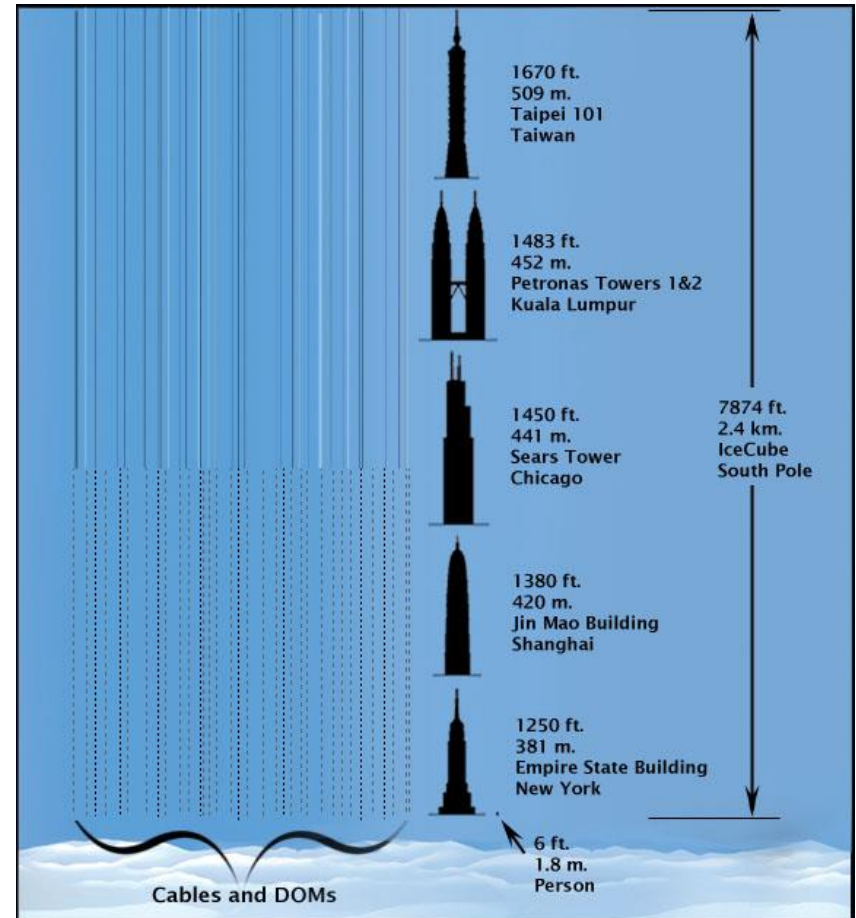
“IceCube” is a cubic kilometer scale “Discovery Class” research instrument now operating at the South Pole.

Funded by the National Science Foundation and collaboration partners in Germany and Sweden, the project is managed by the University of Wisconsin in Madison.

>5,000 Sensors, 1 km³ Volume of Ice



DOMs are less accessible
than spacecraft once they are
deployed in deep ice...



IceCube

To Physicists:

- World's most powerful neutrino telescope
- Nearly unlimited potential for discovery
- A possible Nobel Prize

To Engineers:

- A massively complex effort
 - Little or no prior art
 - Anonymity if it works
 - Blame if it doesn't

Stakeholders



What Did They Want?

- 300 Physicists agree on virtually nothing
- All had different research goals in mind
- We “binned” these into 8 primary groups

		SCIENCE OBJECTIVES - THE ICECUBE "MISSION"								
		Search for sources of cosmic rays that generate neutrinos	Search for steady and variable sources of high energy neutrinos, e.g. Active Galactic Nuclei or Supernova Remnants	Search for high energy neutrinos from transient sources such as Gamma Ray Burst and Supernova bursts	Search for neutrinos from the decay of superheavy particles related to topological defects	Search for WIMPs which may constitute dark matter. "Neutralinos"?	Search for magnetic monopoles and other exotic particles like strange quark matter	Monitor our Galaxy for MeV neutrinos from Supernova explosions and operation within SNEWS	Search for unexpected phenomena	
PRIMARY SCIENCE REQUIREMENTS	ATTRIBUTE									
	Event Energy Range	TeV to PeV	TeV	to 100 TeV	PeV to EeV	10 GeV to PeV	TBD eV	MeV	TBD eV	
	Expected Detectable Event Rate	TBD events/yr	TBD events/yr	"few" to 100 events/km ² -yr	1 to 100 events/km ² -yr	TBD events/yr	TBD events/yr	TBD events/yr	TBD events/yr	
	Desired Angular Resolution	< 1 degree at TBD eV (Driven by desire to resolve the specific cosmological source.)				TBD Degrees [Do we care, other than just being able to have sufficient data for overall event reconstruction?		N/A	TBD degrees	
	Waveform	sufficient duration / resolution to distinguish event signatures (TBD ns duration, TBD dynamic range, TBD sample rate)							1 to 3 ms?	TBD s
	Time Resolution	5 - 10 ns with initial degradation experienced at lower event energies							1 to 3 ms?	TBD
	Operating Life	Fifteen year instrument design life allows for 10 year fully configured operational period plus multi-year deployment.								

How do the Needs Interact?

- Some planning already had been done
- Science requirements for the instrument

PRIMARY SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS	Overall Ice Sensor Array	Instrumented Ice Volume	1 cubic kilometer (nominal)
		Array Shape	Polyhedral consisting of parallel upper and lower planes with hexagonal cross section.
		Effective Volume	TBD cubic kilometer at TBD eV and TBD arrival angle (varies with energy level and event orientation)
		Number of Strings	80
		Digital Optical Modules (DOM) per String	60
		Total Number of DOM	4800
		DOM Spacing - Horizontal	125 meters (efficient means to instrument the required volume of ice, provides good resolution for higher energy levels)
		DOM Spacing - Vertical	16.7 meters (provides highest resolution for vertical traveling particles)
		Detector Depth	1450 - 2450 meters (optical properties of ice improve with depth, limiting factor is boundary to surface shear effects)
	Ice-Top Array	Total Station Count	1 IceTop station at each hole location, nominally 80 station sets.
		Tanks per Station	2 tanks at each station provide operational redundancy, local veto capability.
		Effective Tank Volume	(TBD- simple look up and load entry)
		Digital Optical Modules (DOM) per Station / Tank	Two DOM in each tank are used to provide greater dynamic range, resulting in a total of four DOM per IceTop Station set.
		Total Number of DOM	320
		DOM Spacing - Horizontal	Within the tanks, spacing is 1 meter.
		DOM Spacing - Vertical	IceTop array is positioned roughly 1,450 meters above the topmost In-Ice DOM.
		Detector Depth	Tanks are installed to be flush with grade when covered, additional snow accumulation at roughly 1 foot per year thereafter.
	Individual DOM Performance	Sensitivity of DOM	Single Photo Event (SPE)
		DOM Photon Event Dynamic Range	SPE -> 200 PE / 15 ns (Note- two DOM are used in a high / low gain mode to support the IceTop Dynamic Range Requirement.)
		DOM Field of View	Hemispherical with [TBD] fov at [TBD] fall off
		Digitization Rate	300 megasamples / second
		Waveforms < 400 ns	
		Digitization Rate	40 megasamples / second
		Waveforms > 400 ns	
		Absolute Amplitude Calibration Accuracy	< 5 %
		Timing Accuracy	< 5 ns

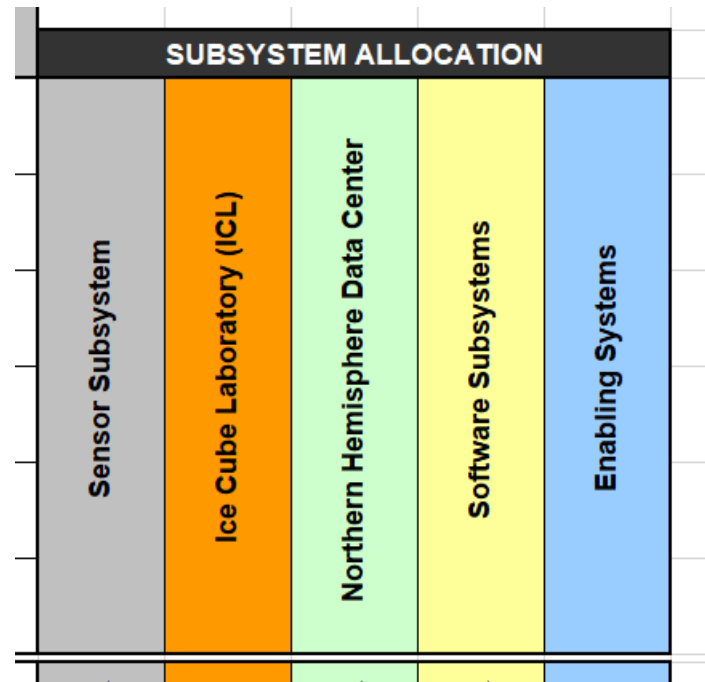
How do the Needs Interact?

- Some derived requirements were obvious
- Most required complex decisions and trades

DERIVED SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS	Calibration & Commissioning	Establish DOM Physical Location	Determine x, y, z coordinates to within .5 Meter (TBR)
		Establish optical characteristics of Ice along all inter-DOM paths	Primarily path loss, although scattering and other effects may also be noted.
		Establish operating characteristics of each DOM	Gain, noise rate, FOV, pedestal characteristics, others.
		String Commissioning	Determine that newly deployed string is acceptable to add to the body of operational instrument.
	Event / Background Discrimination	DOM Noise Rate	< 850 hits / second
		DOM Data Processing	Initial waveform capture and digitization in DOM, context sensitive compression of data prior to transfer
		Local Coincidence Function	User selectable, three modes: Off; Soft - Reduced data set for marginal probability events; Hard - Discriminator function requiring "m of n" confirmation from vertically adjacent DOM.
		Event Trigger Function	String and Global trigger logic to package event data and discriminate noise
		Veto Function	Surface Array (IceTop) allows identification and discrimination of downgoing background
	Data Transport and Storage	Incoming Data Stream from Sensor Array	150 Gig / day
		Non-Volatile Storage at South Pole	TBD Buffer / Archive Capacity & Redundancy Requirements
		South Pole High Priority Communications	At all times, it must be possible to complete a minimum 10KB transfer to the Northern Hemisphere within 10 minute period. (SNEWS and GRB Reporting)
		South Pole Medium Priority Communications	500 Meg / day
		South Pole High Volume Data Transfer	31 Gig / day
		Northern Hemisphere Data Warehouse	TBD Buffer / Archive Capacity & Redundancy Requirements
	Operation & Maintenance	Power	Essential to minimize South Pole power consumption wherever practical.
		Master Time Reference	Internal reference consistent with overall < 5ns timing error budget allocation, conversion to UTC based on GPS reference.
		Experiment Monitoring	Built in monitoring capabilities are essential for managing inaccessible devices (such as the DOMs) but also help minimize South Pole headcount needs.
		Experiment Control	Experiment control is needed to managed the state of individual system elements as well as closely establish and control operational parameters during a given data taking session.
		Personnel Safety	Safety is a universal design consideration, but particularly for operations that must be conducted under difficult working conditions at the South Pole.
		Instrument Security	On site and remote access controls, user account management, and general IT safeguards to ensure undisturbed operation.
		Data Integrity	"Chain of custody" confidence in data from first capture through analysis and publication.
		System Growth Provisions	As a discovery instrument, there is a greater than normal responsibility to provide future flexibility for expansion or reconfiguration.

How to Organize the Effort?

- At the highest level this choice was simple
- IceCube has five major subsystems



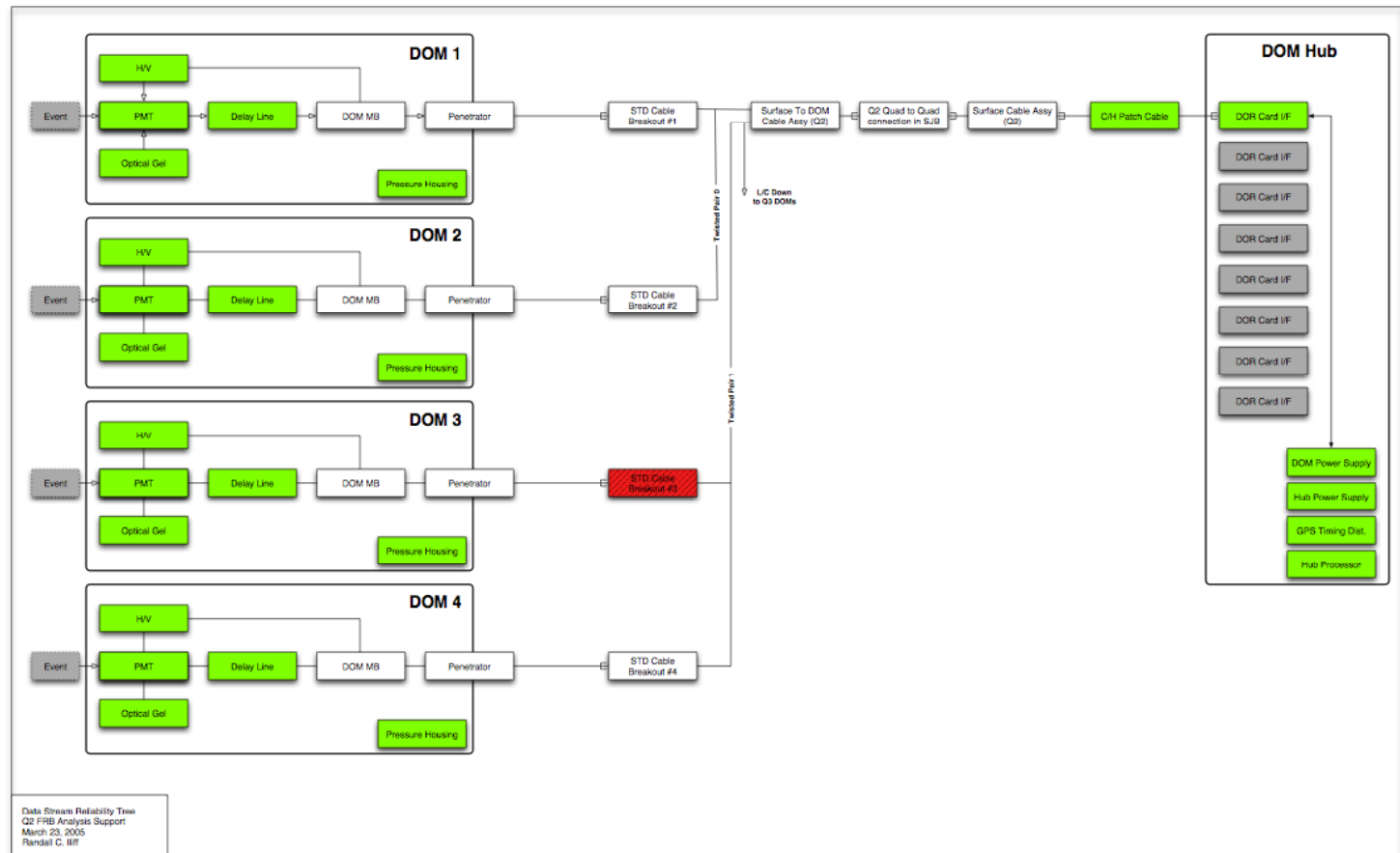
Needs, Requirements, Structure

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PRIMARY SCIENCE REQUIREMENTS	Event Energy Range	TeV to PeV	TeV	to 100 TeV	PeV to EeV	10 GeV to PeV	TBD eV	MeV	TBD eV	Sensor Subsystem	Ice Core Laboratory (ICL)	Northern Hemisphere Data Center	Software Subsystems	Building Systems										
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	Waveform	sufficient duration / resolution to distinguish event signatures (TSD vs duration, TSD dynamic range, TSD sample rate)							1 to 3 ms?						TBD s									
	Time Resolution	5 - 10 ns with initial degradation experienced at lower event energies							1 to 3 ms?						TBD									
	Operating Life	Follows your instrument design life allows for 10 year fully configured operational period plus multi-year deployment.																						
	PRIMARY SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS	Overall Data Return Rate																						
		Instrumented Ice Volume	1 cubic kilometer (nominal)												✓	✓	✓							
		Array Shape	Polyhedral consisting of parallel upper and lower planes with hexagonal cross section												✓	✓	✓							
		Effective Volume	TBD cubic kilometer at TBD eV and TBD arrival angle (varies with energy level and event orientation)												✓	✓	✓							
		Number of Strings	80												✓	✓	✓							
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PRIMARY SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS	Tanks per Station	2 tanks at each station provide operational redundancy, local veto capability.												✓	✓	✓								
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	PRIMARY SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS	Sensitivity of DOM	Single Photo Event (SPE)												✓	✓	✓							
		DOM Photo Event Dynamic Range	SPE - 200 PE / 15 ns (Note: two DOM are used in a high / low gain mode to support the IceTop Dynamic Range Requirement.)												✓	✓	✓							
		DOM Field of View	Hemispherical with (TBD) for all (TBD) cut off.												✓	✓	✓							
		Digitalization Rate	300 megasamples / second												✓	✓	✓							
Waveforms < 400 ns		40 megasamples / second												✓	✓	✓								
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Absolute Amplitude Calibration Accuracy		< 5 ms												✓	✓	✓								
Timing Accuracy		< 5 ns												✓	✓	✓								
PRIMARY SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS		Establish DOM Physical Location	Determine x, y, z coordinates to within 5 Meter (TBD)												✓	✓	✓							
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	String Commissioning	Determine that newly deployed string is acceptable to add to the body of operational instrument.												✓	✓	✓								
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		Veto Function	Surface Array (IceTop) allows identification and discrimination of disarming background.												✓	✓	✓							
		Incoming Data Stream from Sensor Array	150 Gb / day												✓	✓	✓							
		Non-Volatile Storage at South Pole	TBD Buffer / Archive Capacity & Redundancy Requirements.												✓	✓	✓							
South Pole High Priority Communications		At all times, it must be possible to complete a minimum 10MB transfer to the Northern Hemisphere within 10 minute period. (SNEWS and GRB Reporting)												✓	✓	✓								
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OPERATION & MAINTENANCE		Power	Essential to minimize South Pole power consumption whenever practical.												✓	✓	✓							
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OPERATION & MAINTENANCE	Data Integrity	"Chain of custody" confidence in data from first capture through analysis and publication.												✓	✓	✓								
	System Growth Provisions	As a discovery instrument, there is a greater than normal responsibility to provide future flexibility for expansion or reconfiguration.												✓	✓	✓								

Traceable to Every Config Item

PRIMARY SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS		FUNCTION		SENSOR SUBSYSTEM		PHYSICAL SUBSYSTEM ALLOCATION		NORTHERN HEMISPHERE DATA CENTER		SOFTWARE SUBSYSTEM		ENABLING SUBSYSTEMS	
Overall Inco Sensor Array	Ice-Top Army	Instrumented Ice Volume		Detector String		ICL Facility		Data Warehouse		Production Software		Production STE	
		Array Shape		In-Ice DOM		ICL Facility Improvements		Simulation		South Pole Apparatus Management		Packaging, Handling, Storage, and Transport	
		Effective Volume		PMT		Power Conditioning		Analysis		Detector Operations		Deployment STE	
		Number of Strings		DOM Main Board		EMI Entrance Panel				DAQ Dispatch		IceTop Freeze Management	
		Digital Optical Modules (DOM) per String		PMT HV Power Supply		Bonding & Shielding				Data Handling		IceTop Bonding / Cable Test Unit	
		Total Number of DOM		Delay Board		Cable Management				Simulation		DOM Leakage Current (freeze-in) Tester	
		DOM Spacing - Horizontal		Pressure Sphere		Operations & Support Area				Warehouse Reception			
		DOM Spacing - Vertical		Penetrator Assembly		DAQ Hardware				Data Warehouse			
		Detector Depth		Optical Gel		DOM Hub				Data Requestion			
				Mu-Metal Shield		DOM Power Supply				Development & Support Software			
Individual DOM Performance	Ice-Top Army	Total Station Count		Flasher Board Assembly		String Processor							
		Tanks per Station		DOM Harness Assembly		In-Ice Trigger							
		Effective Tank Volume		Surface to DOM Cable Assembly		Global Trigger							
		Digital Optical Modules (DOM) per Station / Tank		IceTop Station		Event Builder							
		Total Number of DOM		IceTop DOM		Master Clock Unit							
		DOM Spacing - Horizontal		Surface Cable Assembly		Monitor & Control							
		DOM Spacing - Vertical		Surface Junction Box		Cable Patch Panels							
		Detector Depth				Patch Cables							
						Signal Conditioning Filters							
						Data Handling Hardware							
Individual DOM Performance	Ice-Top Army	Sensitivity of DOM				South Pole Archiving							
		DOM Photon Event Dynamic Range				Online Filter							
		DOM Field of View				Satellite Transfer							
		Digitization Rate: Waveforms < 400 ns											
		Digitization Rate: Waveforms > 400 ns											
		Absolute Amplitude Calibration Accuracy											
		Timing Accuracy											

Focus on Science Data Stream

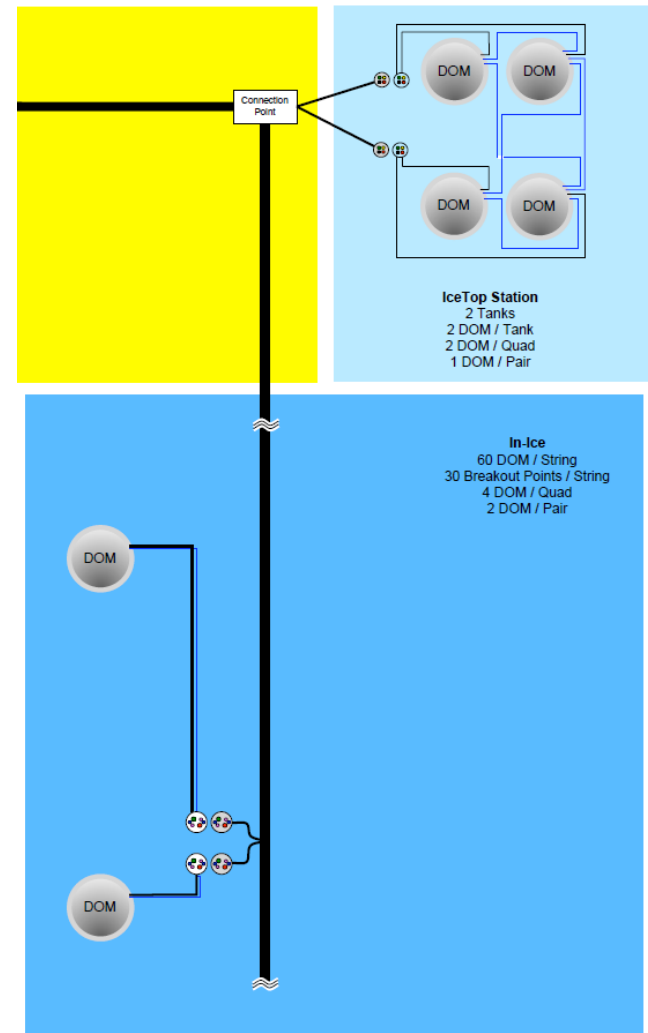


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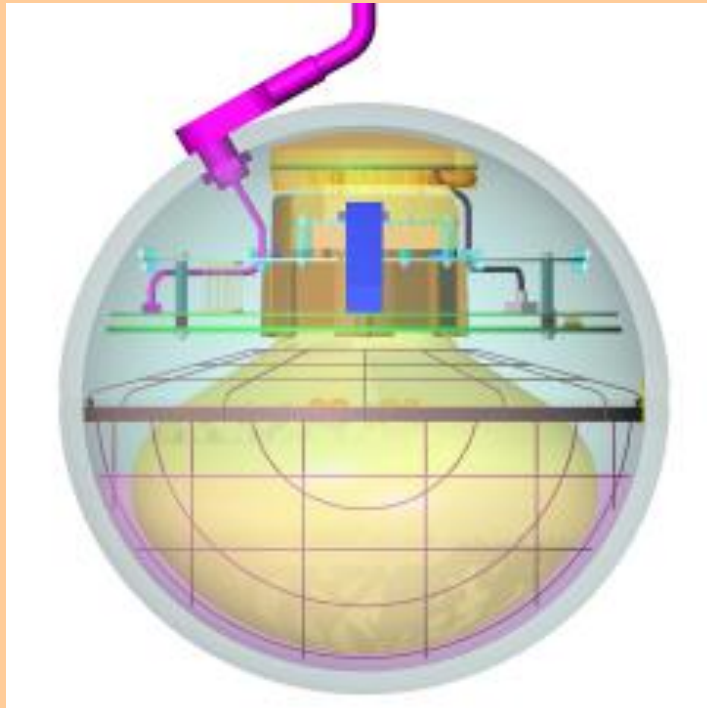
Functional Role	Key System Elements	Accessible?	Failure Effect	Criticality
Science Data Stream - Sensor Subsystem	In-Ice and Ice-Top DOMs, cables, connections	No	Permanent Loss of Science Data due to failed Channel(s) for the remainder of the instrument operational life.	Very High
			Permanent Loss of Science Data due to induced failure of Channel(s) for the remainder of the instrument operational life.	Very High
			Permanent Loss of Science Data from Channel(s) due to wear out, performance drift, or end of service life degradation effects in excess of user defined thresholds.	High
			Degraded Science Data from Channel(s) compared with specifications, but still deemed useful for scientific purposes such as Supernova detection and reporting.	Moderate
Science Data Stream - DOM Hub	DOM Hub, DOR Card, DOM Power Supply, Master Clock Distribution System	Yes	Permanent Loss of Science Data from unavailable channel(s) / string(s) during the interval between failure and system restoration following maintenance.	Moderate
Buffer Limited Trigger and Event Processing	Raw Data Storage, Raw Data Buffer, String Processor, Trigger, Event Buffer, Event Data Storage, Communications Buffer	Yes	Permanent Loss of Science Data from effected channel(s) / string(s) during the interval between buffer overflow and system restoration following maintenance.	Moderate
Off-Line Data Processing	All other system elements	Yes	User inconvenience prior to restoration, no loss of science data.	Low

Sensor Subsystem

- Cables
- Connections
- Digital Optical Modules



Digital Optical Module



Key DOM Decisions

- Pressure Sphere Specification and Margin
 - Life-cycle analysis to identify max / min pressure
 - Hydrostatic Pressure from 2,400 meters of water
 - Peak “re-freeze” dynamic pressure during install
 - Minimum pressure during transport
- Interior environment pressure and fill gas
 - Finite set of options to select from
 - Simple trade study analysis effort

DOM Fill Gas Trade Study

- Baseline plus 4 options
- Emphasis on info – not scores

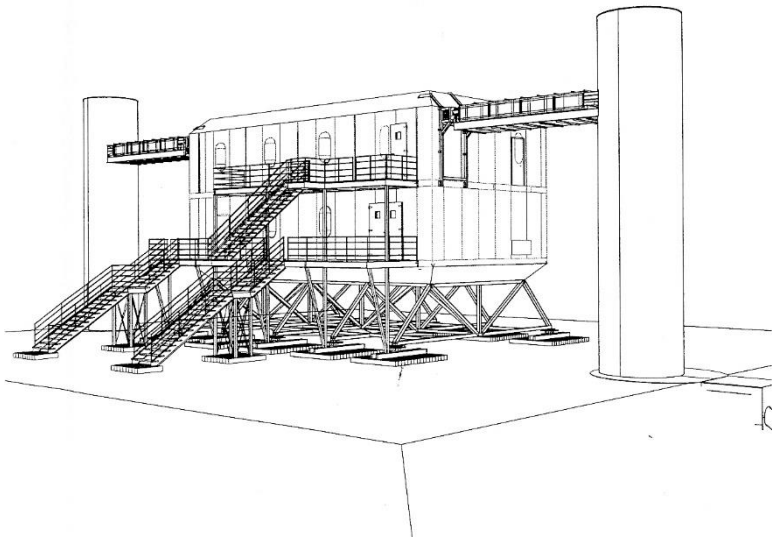
		Current Baseline		Alternative Concepts				
		Seal DOM in partial vacuum of ambient atmosphere	Clean Dry Air via house compressor system	Compressed gas cylinder	Commercially available dry nitrogen	Sulfur Hexafluoride	Comments	
General Description		No special steps taken to control and monitor particulates, trace gases, and dew point of the atmosphere sealed in the DOM.	House compressed air will have been filtered to remove large particulates, and the dew point reduced by 22 C from ambient by use of a refrigerated dryer	Commercially bottled air will have a better controlled dew point, and lower concentration of particulates	Purity and dew point requirements can be specified to supplier	Sulfur hexafluoride is an excellent dielectric material for high voltage electronic applications.		
	Atmospheric Contaminants	<p>Current Baseline</p> <p>Chemical: 0.001 ppm¹</p> <p>Particulate Submicron: 0.05 ppm²</p> <p>Sulfur Dioxide: 0.05 ppm³</p> <p>Nitrogen Dioxide: 0.05 ppm³</p> <p>Particulate Contamination: 50 mg/m³(10-24h)</p> <p>¹Measured by volume at 25 °C and 760 mm pressure.</p>	<p>Alternative Concept 1</p> <p>Chemical: 0.001 ppm¹</p> <p>Particulate Submicron: 0.05 ppm²</p> <p>Sulfur Dioxide: 0.05 ppm³</p> <p>Nitrogen Dioxide: 0.05 ppm³</p> <p>Particulate Contamination: < 50 mg/m³(10-24h)</p> <p>¹Measured by volume at 25 °C and 760 mm pressure.</p>	<p>Alternative Concept 2</p> <p>Chemical: 0.001 ppm¹</p> <p>Particulate Submicron: 0.05 ppm²</p> <p>Sulfur Dioxide: 0.05 ppm³</p> <p>Nitrogen Dioxide: 0.05 ppm³</p> <p>Particulate Contamination: < 50 mg/m³(10-24h)</p> <p>¹Measured by volume at 25 °C and 760 mm pressure.</p>	<p>Alternative Concept 3</p> <p>Chemical: 0.001 ppm¹</p> <p>Particulate Submicron: 0.05 ppm²</p> <p>Sulfur Dioxide: 0.05 ppm³</p> <p>Nitrogen Dioxide: 0.05 ppm³</p> <p>Particulate Contamination: < 50 mg/m³(10-24h)</p> <p>¹Measured by volume at 25 °C and 760 mm pressure.</p>	<p>Alternative Concept 4</p> <p>Chemical: 0.001 ppm¹</p> <p>Particulate Submicron: 0.05 ppm²</p> <p>Sulfur Dioxide: 0.05 ppm³</p> <p>Nitrogen Dioxide: 0.05 ppm³</p> <p>Particulate Contamination: < 50 mg/m³(10-24h)</p> <p>¹Measured by volume at 25 °C and 760 mm pressure.</p>	98.99% sulfur hexafluoride	
Risk of corrosion on DOM PWB assemblies	Extremely High	Very High	Very High	Very Low	Very Low	Baseline and alternate approach 1 are not capable of delivering reliable performance throughout the 15 year product life.		
Corrosion Mechanisms	Contamination due to high dew point: reactive atmospheric gases, corrosion particulates, moisture due to combination of oxygen and high voltage (corona discharge). Oxides will also attack and degrade organic materials such as wire insulation.	Contamination due to high dew point: reactive atmospheric gases, corrosion particulates, moisture due to combination of oxygen and high voltage (corona discharge). Oxides will also attack and degrade organic materials such as wire insulation.	Contamination due to high dew point: reactive atmospheric gases, corrosion particulates, moisture due to combination of oxygen and high voltage (corona discharge). Oxides will also attack and degrade organic materials such as wire insulation.	As long as the atmosphere in the DOM has been purged prior to sulfur hexafluoride backfill, there will be no atmospheric contribution to corrosion reactions.	As long as the atmosphere in the DOM has been purged prior to sulfur hexafluoride backfill, there will be no atmospheric contribution to corrosion reactions.	Alternatives #2 and #3 are most likely to provide a conservative atmosphere throughout the 15 year product life.		
Possible trace radioactive gases	Radon	Radon	Radon	None	None			
Reliability Impact	Very Poor Reliability	Poor Reliability	Poor Reliability	Slightly Reliable	Slightly Reliable			
Extremely high probability of corrosion effects on the PWBs, internal connectors, and some attack on base metals, electrical insulating materials, and possibly the optical gel.	High probability of corrosion effects on the PWBs, internal connectors, and some attack on base metals, electrical insulating materials, and possibly the optical gel.	High probability of corrosion effects on the PWBs, internal connectors, and some attack on base metals, electrical insulating materials, and possibly the optical gel.	High probability of corrosion effects on the PWBs, internal connectors, and some attack on base metals, electrical insulating materials, and possibly the optical gel.	Only physics of failure mechanism (other than manufacturing defects) is metallic whisker growth.	Only physics of failure mechanism (other than manufacturing defects) is metallic whisker growth.	Consistent dielectric performance due to controlled purity and dew point.		
DOM Performance Impact	None	None	None	None	None			
Possible trace radioactive gases	Radon	Radon	Radon	None	None	No Impact		
Safety Impact	Low Safety Risk	Low Safety Risk	Low Safety Risk	Moderate Safety Risk	Moderate Safety Risk	All safety issues are manageable. Sulfur hexafluoride is the most significant issue.		
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DOM Manufacturing Impact	Least complicated production operation	Moderately complicated production operation	Moderately complicated production operation	Moderately complicated production operation	Moderately complicated production operation	All controlled environment alternatives have comparable product impact		
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Repair / Rework Impact	None	None	None	None	None			
Handling & Transport Impact	None	None	None	None	None			
Deployment Timeline Impact	None	None	None	None	None	No Impact		
DOM PWB Assembly Design Impact	None	None	None	None	None			
Software Design Impact	None	None	None	None	None			
Cost	Lowest cost approach	Low cost impact	Moderate cost impact	Moderate cost impact	Moderate cost impact			
Does not require any special materials.	If compressed clean dry air is available at the facility all that is needed is a pressure regulator (estimated cost: \$175.00) and associated plumbing to deliver the clean dry air to the glove box.	If compressed clean dry air is available at the facility all that is needed is a pressure regulator (estimated cost: \$175.00) and associated plumbing to deliver the clean dry air to the glove box.	Compressed air cylinders can be purchased at an estimated cost of about 1.25-2.00 per cubic foot cylinder, and a pressure regulator is about \$175.00. Compressed gas cylinder safety equipment hardware is about \$75.00 per cylinder.	Compressed nitrogen of specified purity and dew point can be purchased at an estimated cost of \$175.00 for a 200 cubic foot cylinder and safety equipment. A pressure regulator is required to deliver the nitrogen to the glove box. Estimated cost is \$175.00. Compressed gas cylinder safety equipment hardware is about \$75.00 per cylinder.	Sulfur hexafluoride of specified purity and dew point can be purchased at an estimated cost of \$400.00 per cylinder. A pressure regulator is required to deliver the sulfur hexafluoride to the glove box - estimated cost \$175.00. Compressed gas cylinder safety equipment hardware is about \$75.00 per cylinder.	Estimated cost per DOM is \$3.40 (USD) for sulfur hexafluoride, based on 50 DOMs per cylinder.		
Other Considerations	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD			

DOM Fill Gas Trade Study

- Yielded decision plus database of options
- Sample of Trade Study content

Low Safety Risk	Moderate Safety Risk	Moderate Safety Risk
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IceCube Laboratory



It Snows at the South Pole

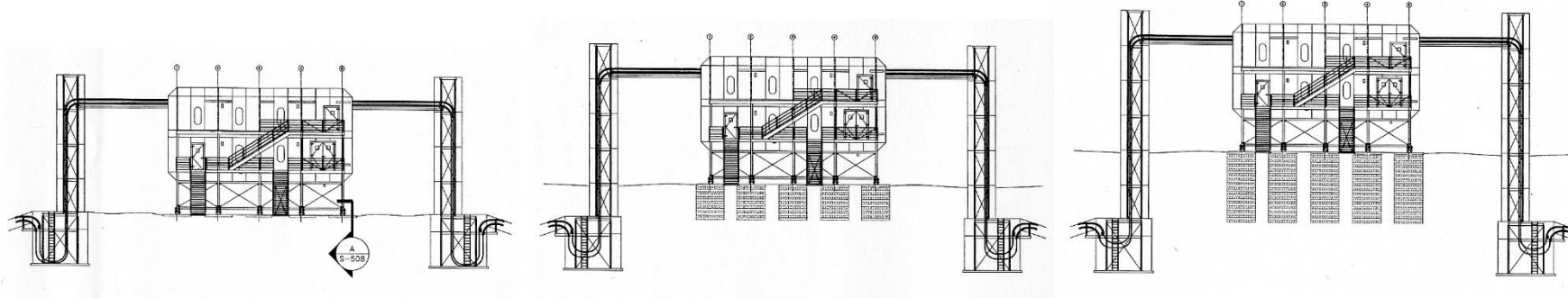
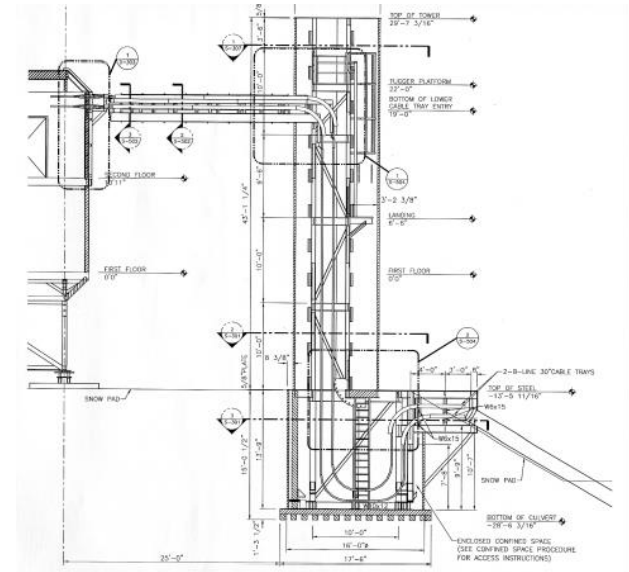
- Not much (1 ft/yr) but builds up over time
- Snow blows and drifts in very nasty ways
- Decisions:
 - How to keep the IceCube Laboratory useable?
 - How to manage over 80 huge cables?

IceCube Laboratory

- Building Lift Operation
 - Applied proven South Pole Station precedent
 - CFD modeling to minimize vortices and deposition
- Cable Management
 - No prior precedent (80+ huge, very stiff cables)
 - Installed over multiple seasons
 - Wanted single entry panel, settled for two
 - Accepted complex logistical constraints
 - Accepted complex personnel task / training effort

IceCube Laboratory

- Snow and Cable Solution
 - Stilts for the building
 - Towers for the cables
 - Periodic lift operation



Many Thousands of Decisions

- Data collection throughout multi-year build
- Component selection for extreme cold / hi-rel
- Extreme task simplification for installers
- Minimizing peak and total power consumption
- Logistics impacts (LC-130 load limits)
- International collaboration coordination
- Documentation and training support

Summary of Universal Insight

- The most critical decisions were those regarding stakeholders and needs
- Next was a system / sub-system / interface view that enabled simultaneous development
- Mission-level FMEA guided decision priority
- Decision method driven by available data, type of choice, need to communicate result
- Data is valuable, mere scores are dangerous



Thanks!