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*Latest results on NArCoS: a new correlator for neutrons and charged particles with high angular and energy resolution
(Neutron Array for Correlation Studies)*

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NArCoS (Neutron Array for Correlation Studies)

Idea for a new Neutron Hodoscope

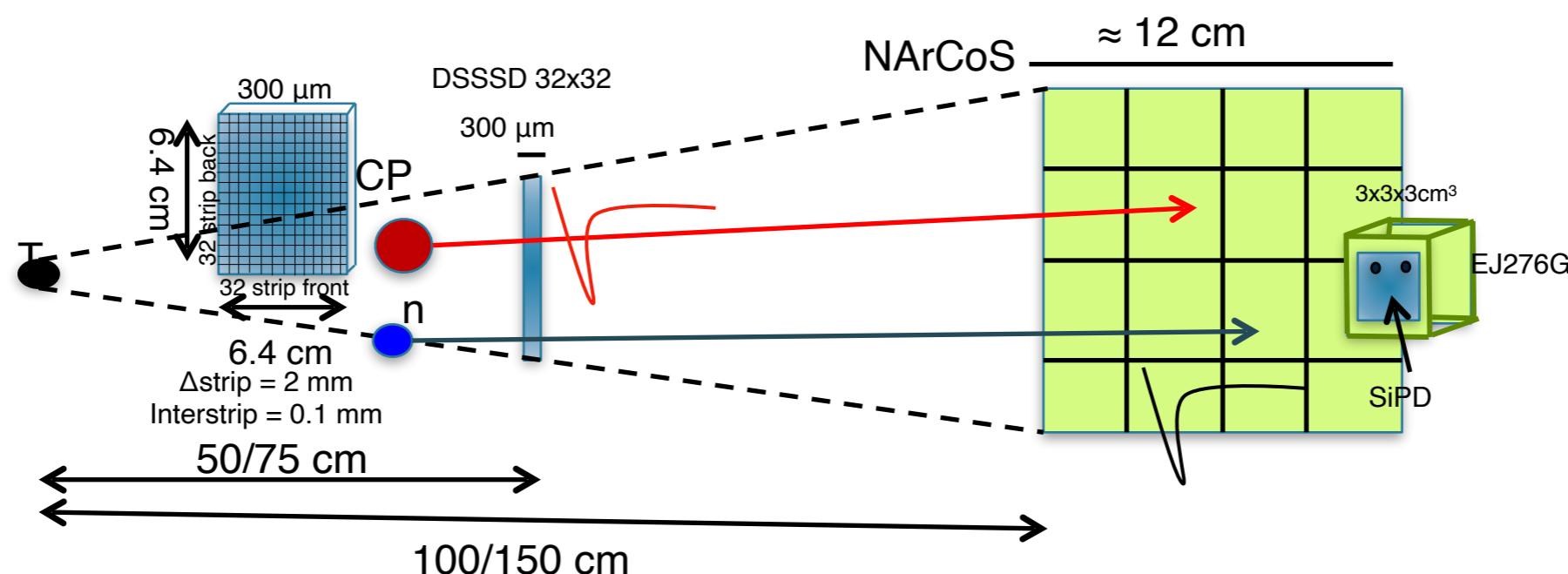
To realize a prototype of detector able to detect at the same time charged particles and neutrons with high energy and angular resolution for reaction studies and applications

Detector

- Candidate: The plastic scintillator EJ276-Green Type (ex EJ299-33) ($3 \times 3 \times 3 \text{ cm}^3$)
- 1 cluster: 4 consecutively cubes $\rightarrow 3 \times 3 \times 12 \text{ cm}^3$
- Neutron detection efficiency $\approx 50\%$ for the prototype (16 clusters)
- Reading the light signal: Si-PM and digitalization
- Modular, reconfigurable (in mechanic and electronic)
- Discrimination of n/γ from PSD (but also light charged particles)
- Energy measurement from ToF ($\Delta t \leq 0.5 \text{ ns}$ with $L_{\text{ToF}} \approx 1 \div 1.5 \text{ m}$)
TOF measured using the RF of the CS or with an ancillary MCP (low intensity exotic beams)

Physic cases

- Neutron-particles correlations (HBT)
- Reaction Dynamics and time scale
- Symmetry Energy in EoS of nuclear matter
- Nuclear structure of unbound exotic nuclei
- In medium nuclear interaction
- Nuclear astrophysics (neutron stars and nucleosynthesis processes)
- Medical application (neutron production cross section, differential cross sections)



PSD studies using sources

E.V.Pagano, G. Politi, A. Simancas et al., in preparation

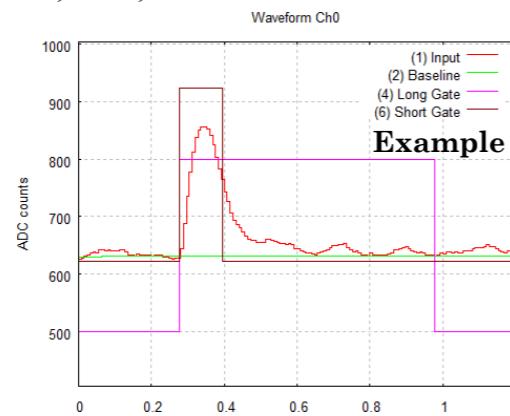


> Detector Configurations:

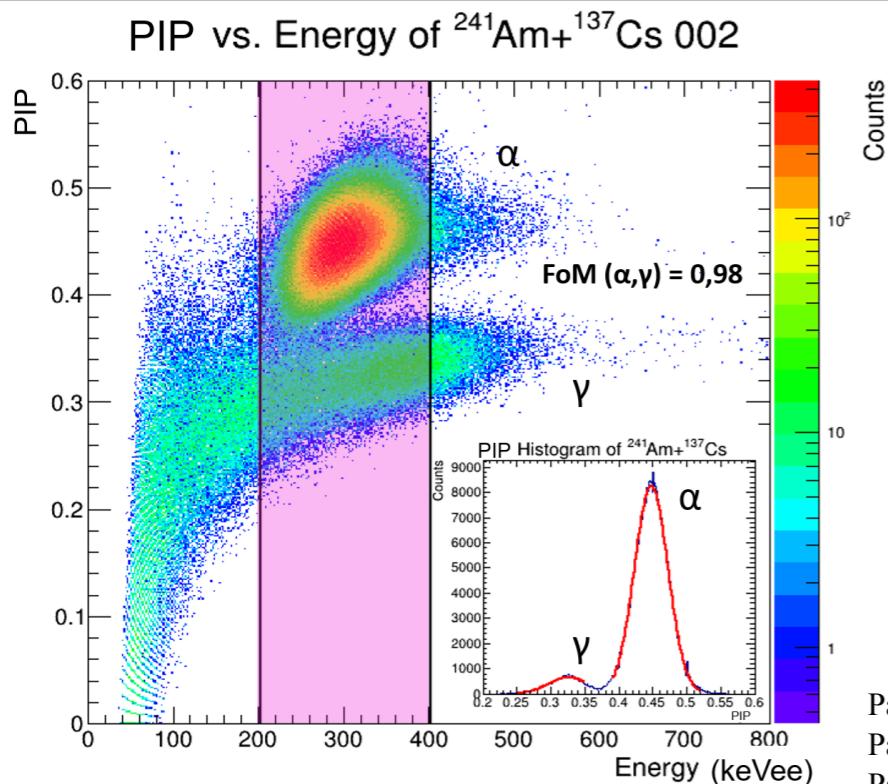
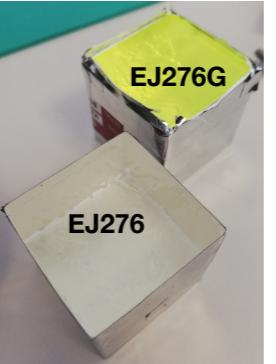
- > EJ-276G + PMT
- > EJ-276 + i-Spector
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> Lab measurements with radioactive sources:

- > Vacuum Chamber
- > Pb shield
- > Gamma sources: ^{133}Ba , ^{137}Cs , ^{60}Co , ^{152}Eu
- > Alpha source: ^{241}Am
- > Digitizer from CAEN



Example of signal and integration windows



EJ-276 + i-Spector

Particle Identification Parameter

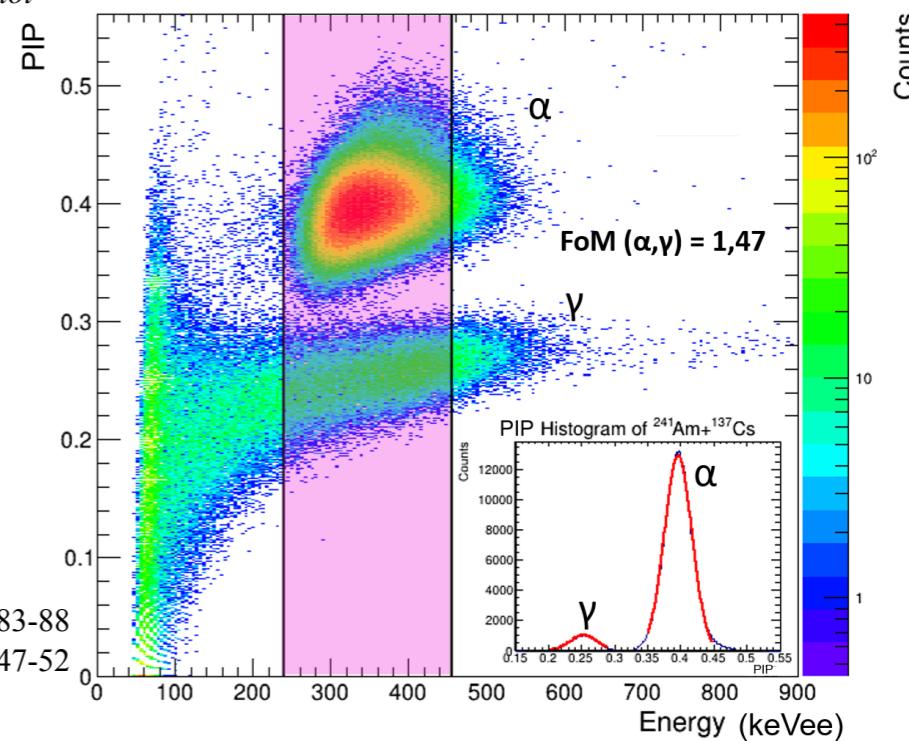
$$PIP = 1 - \frac{Q_{fast}}{Q_{tot}} = \frac{Q_{slow}}{Q_{tot}}$$

Results

Detector	FoM
i-Spector + EJ-276	0.98
i-Spector + EJ-276G	1.47
PMT + EJ-276G	1.03

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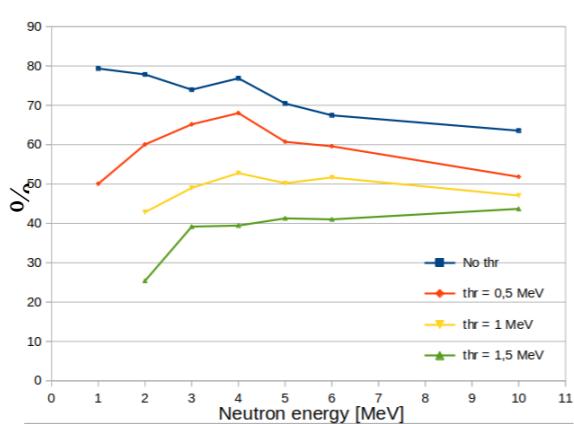
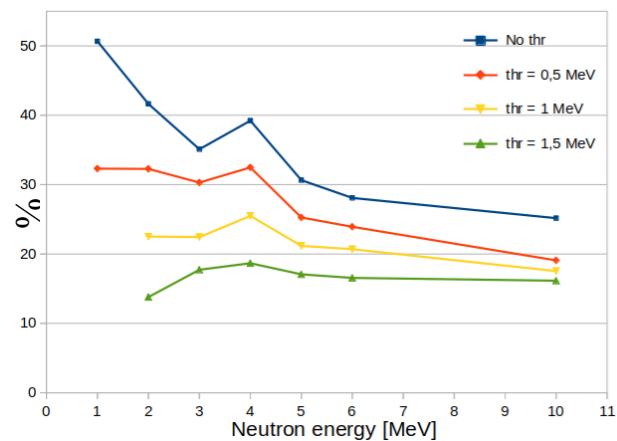
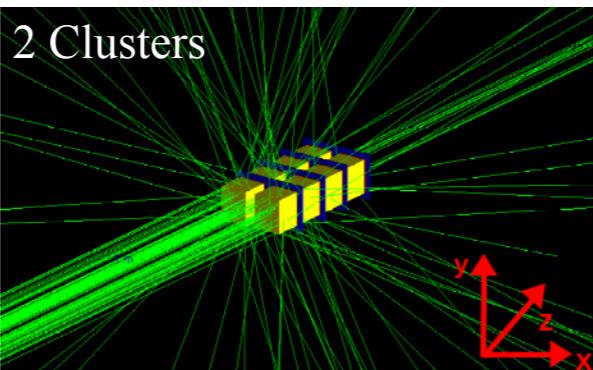
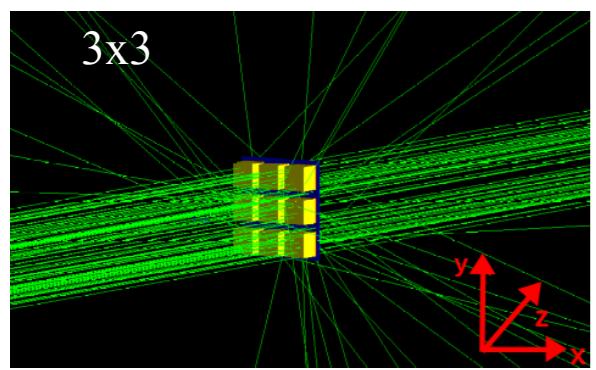
PIP vs. Energy of $^{241}\text{Am} + ^{137}\text{Cs}$ 001



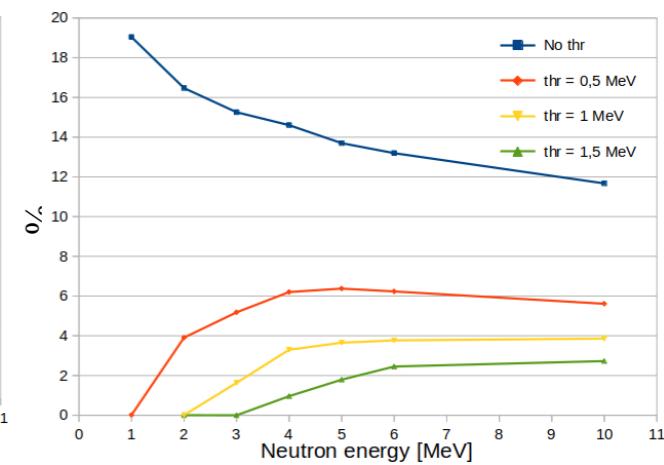
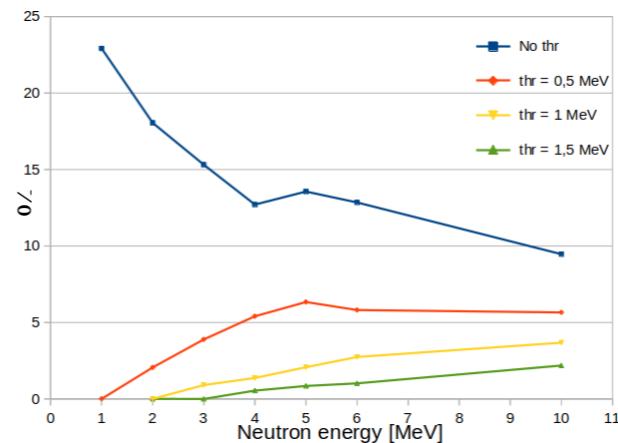
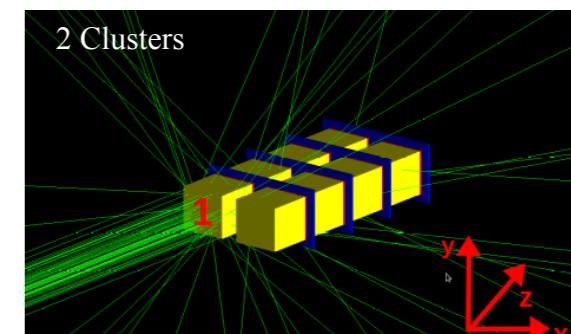
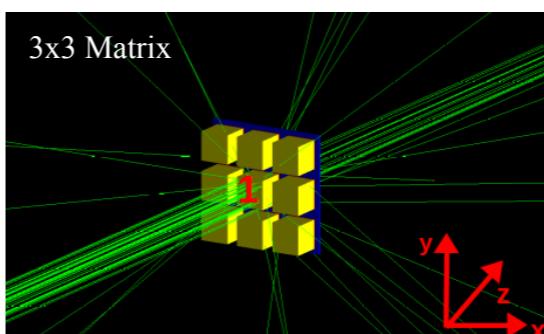
EJ-276G + i-Spector

Two configurations will be tested

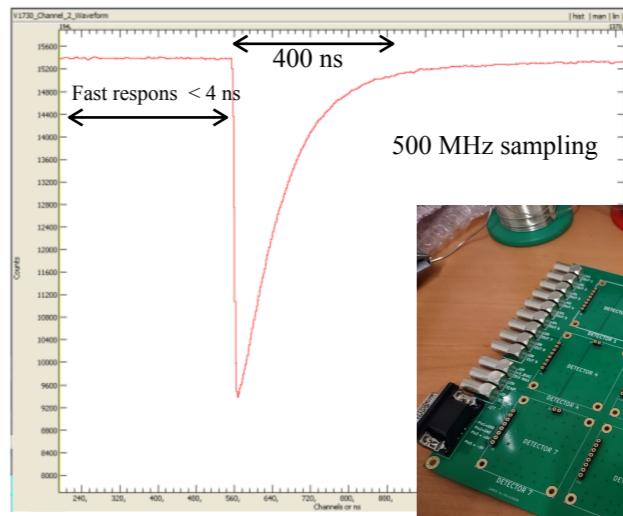
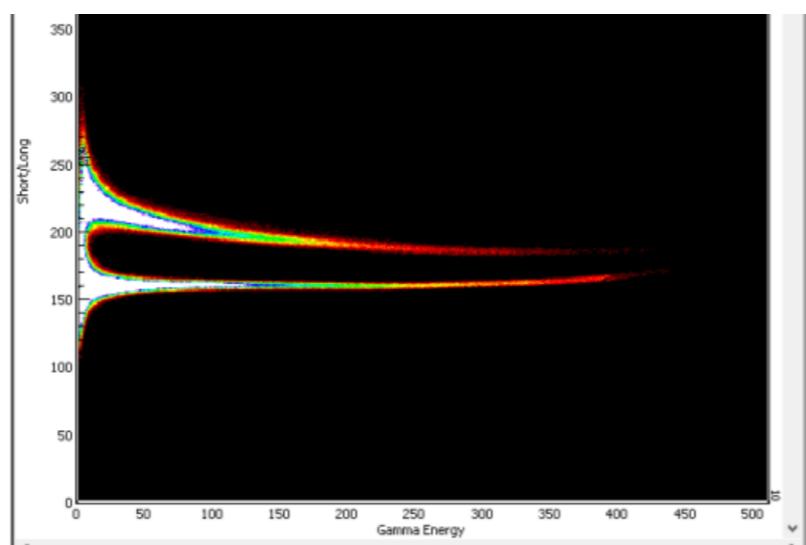
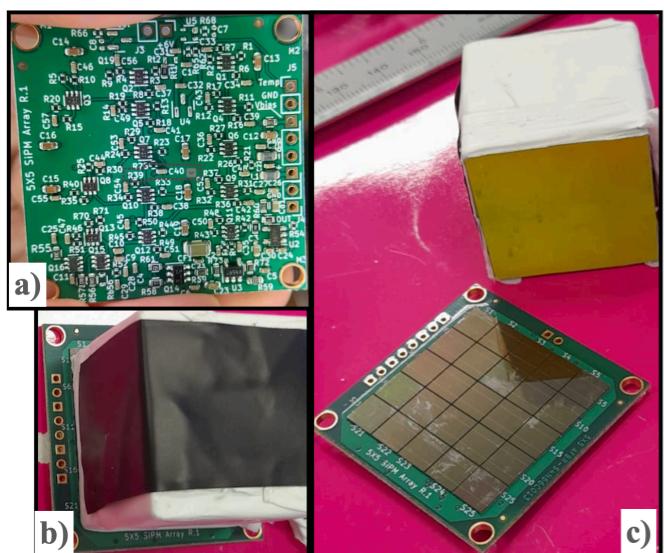
Efficiency calculation (GEANT4)



Crosstalk problem study (GEANT4)



Prototypal electronics



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