

γ -ray Tracking with AGATA




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Outline

- Introduction & basic principles
- 2 tracking philosophies
- Limitations
- Description of OFT
- 3 “hands-on” examples (^{60}Co , high energy, “high” fold)
- Conclusion & outlook

Aim of tracking

Read for each event the list of deposited energies and positions of all the interactions points in AGATA

e_1, x_1, y_1, z_1
 e_2, x_2, y_2, z_2
.....
 e_n, x_n, y_n, z_n

Disentangle the interaction points i.e reconstruct individual photon trajectories and extract photon energies and incident and scattering directions (for Doppler correction & polarization measurements)

$E_1, (\theta, \phi)_{inc-1}, (\theta, \phi)_{sc-1}$
 $E_2, (\theta, \phi)_{inc-2}, (\theta, \phi)_{sc-2}$
.....
 $E_i, (\theta, \phi)_{inc-i}, (\theta, \phi)_{sc-i}$

Processes in Germanium

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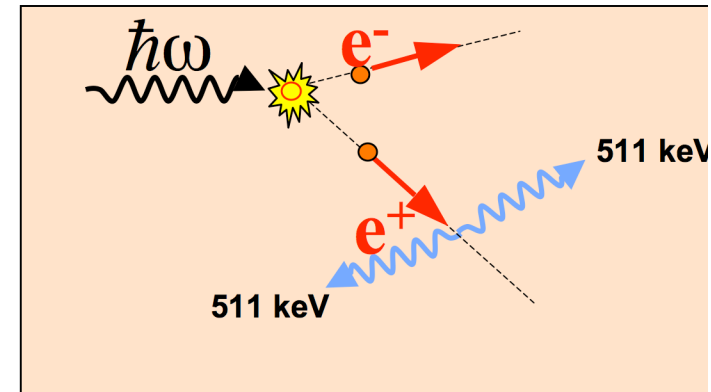
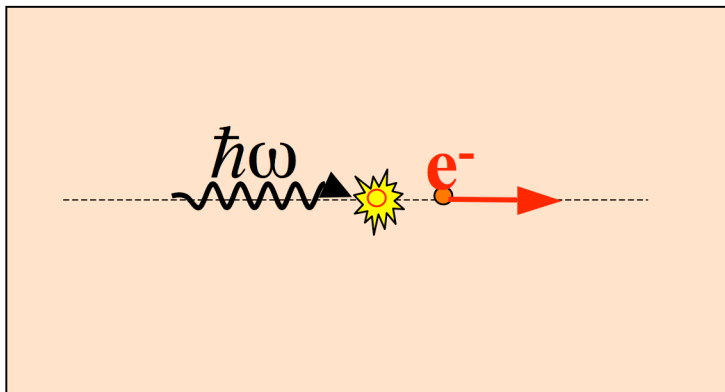
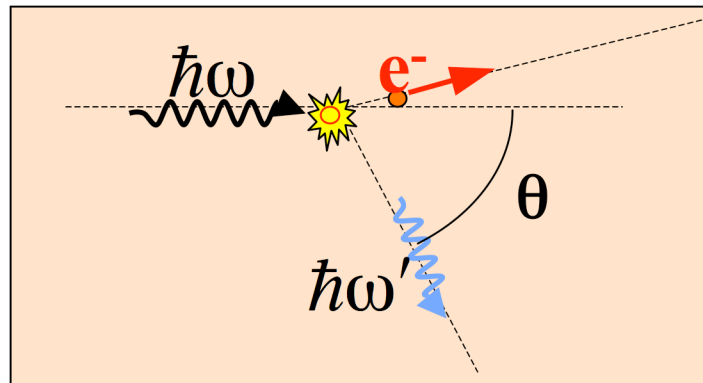
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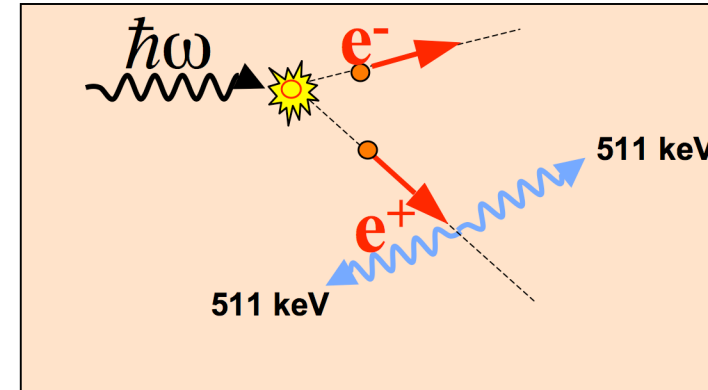
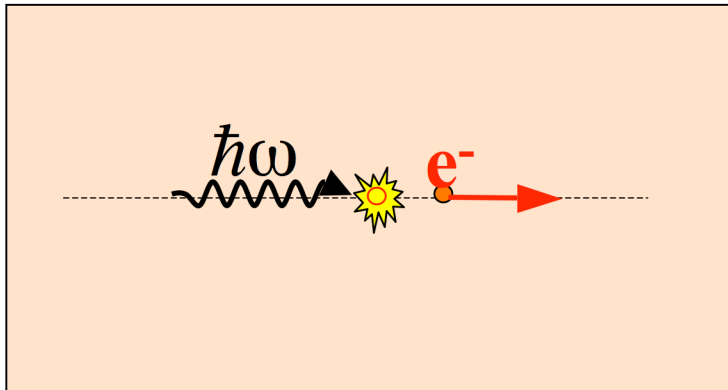
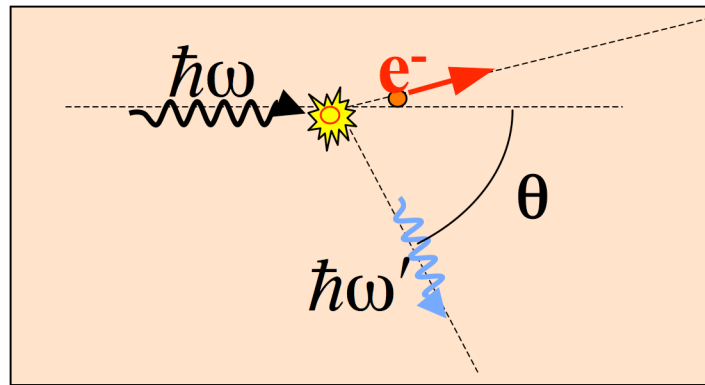
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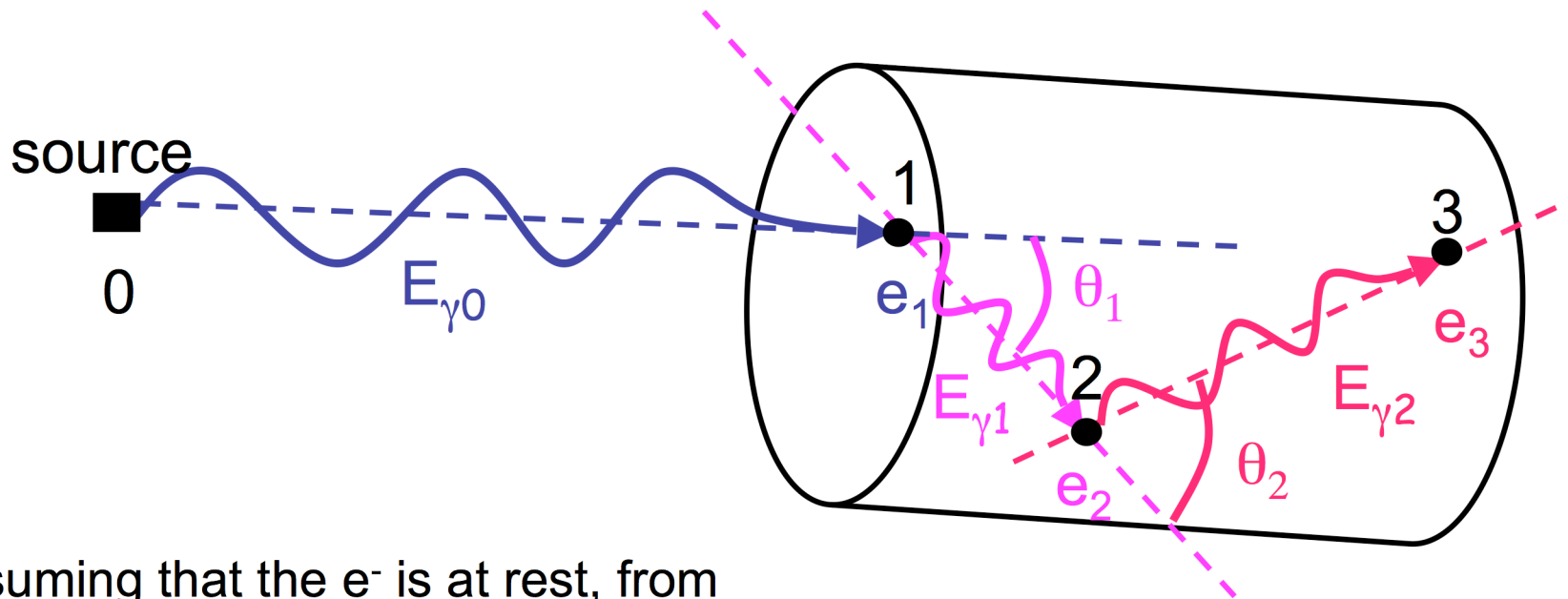
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assuming that the e^- is at rest, from conservation of energy & momentum:

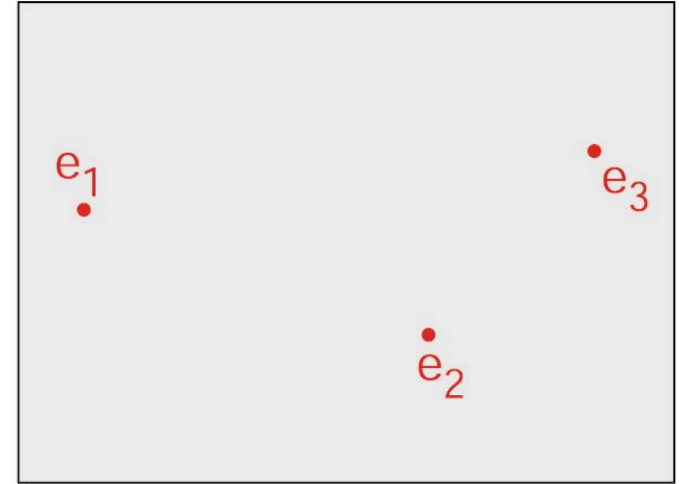
$$\cos(\theta_i) = 1 - m_e c^2 \left(\frac{1}{E_{\gamma i}} - \frac{1}{E_{\gamma(i-1)}} \right)$$

incident energy at i

scattered energy at i = $E_{\gamma(i-1)} - e_i$

What tracking does

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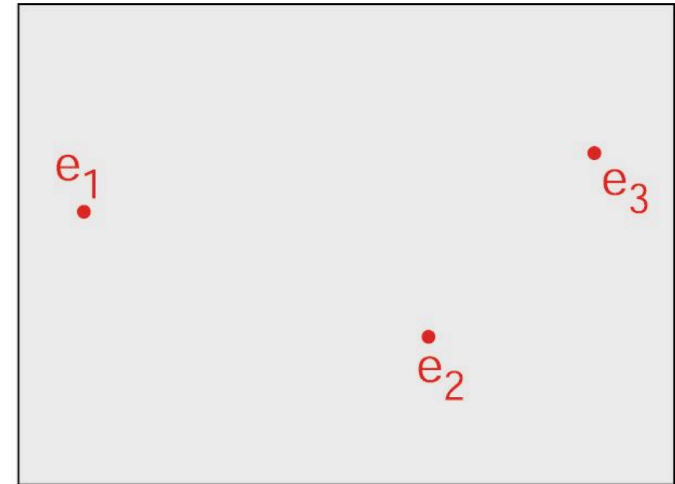
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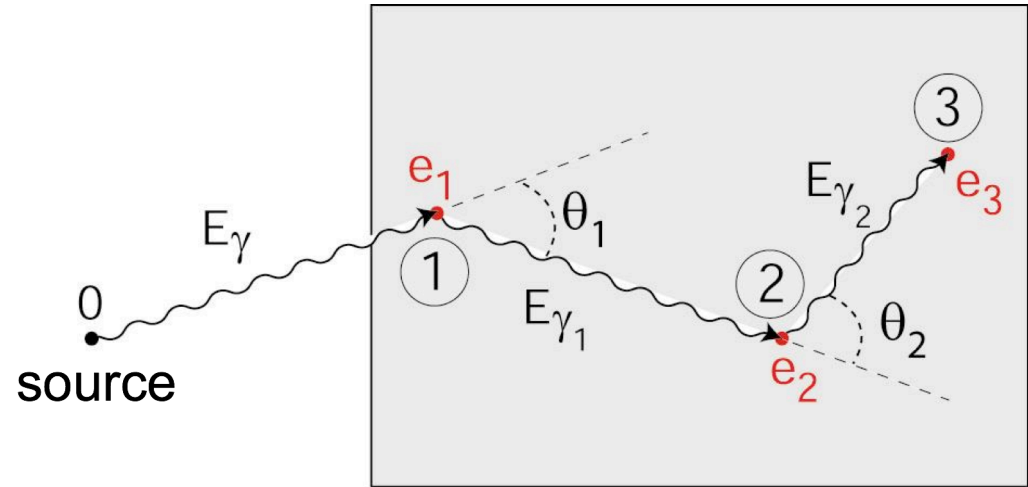
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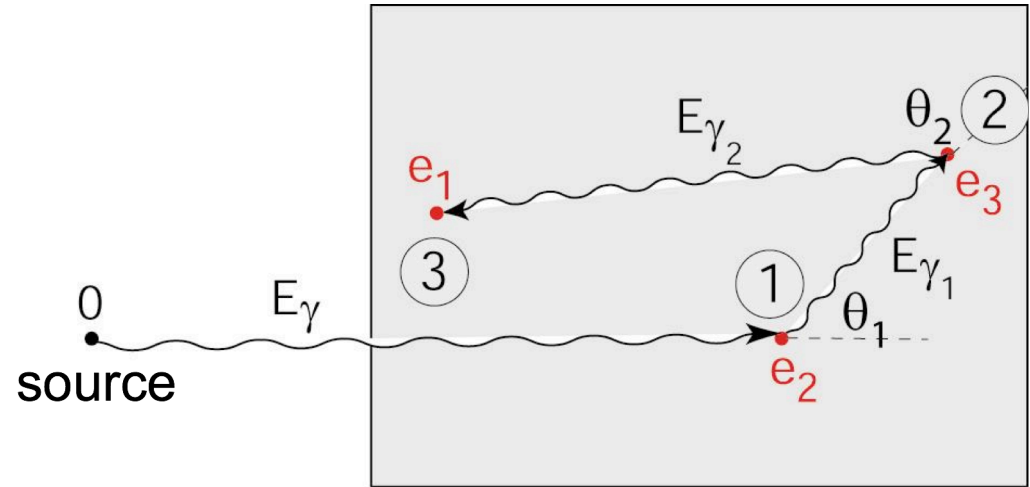
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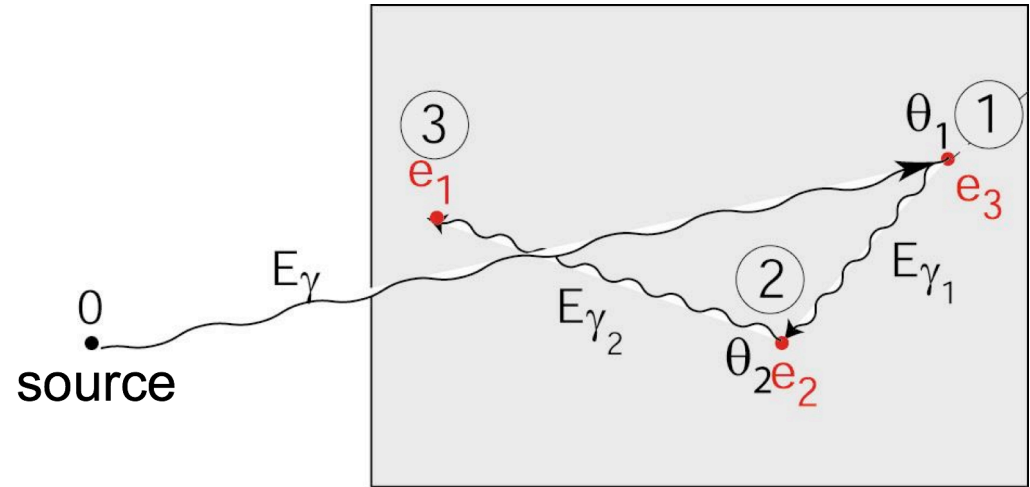
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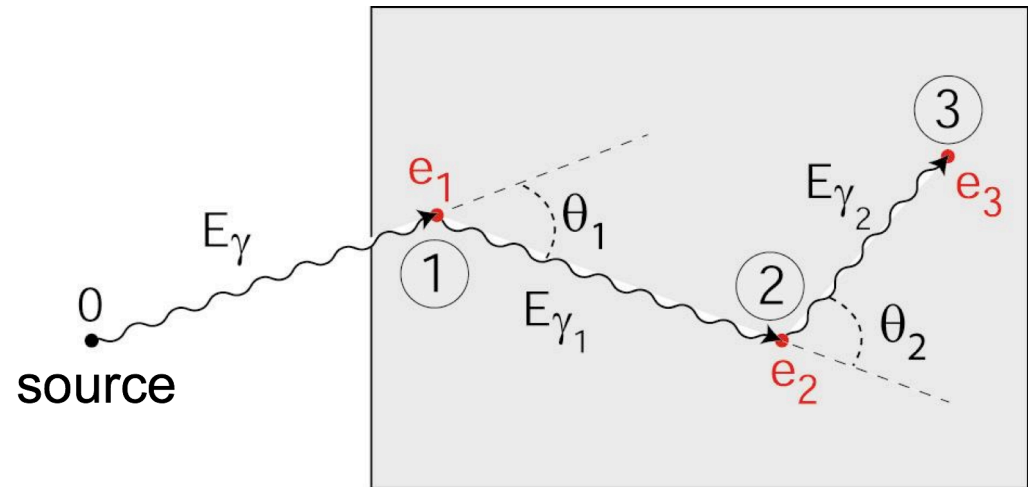
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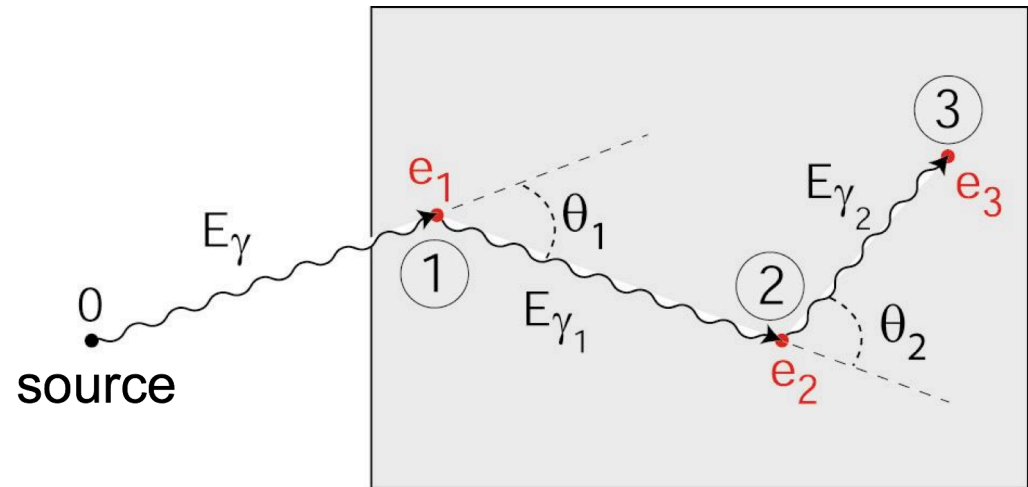
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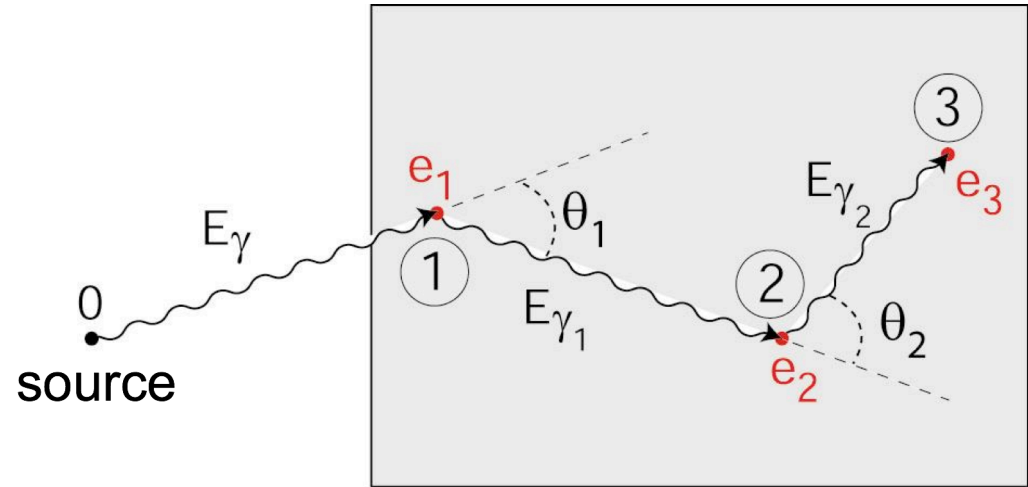
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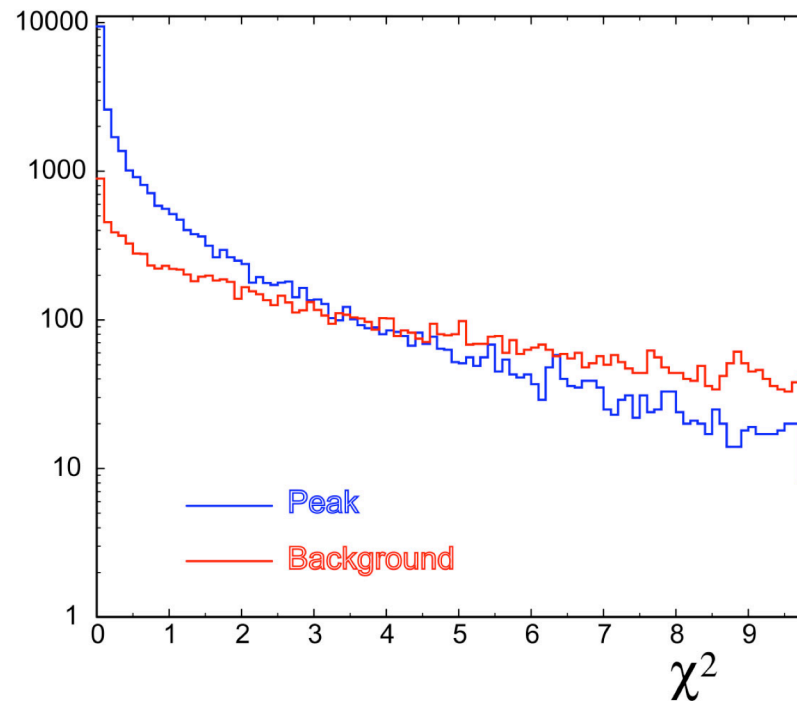
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Track order = Permutation with best $\chi^2 = \sum_{n=1}^2 \left[\frac{E_{\gamma n} - E_{\gamma n, \text{pos}}}{\sigma} \right]^2$ (or other figure of merit)

Full energy deposition or not ?

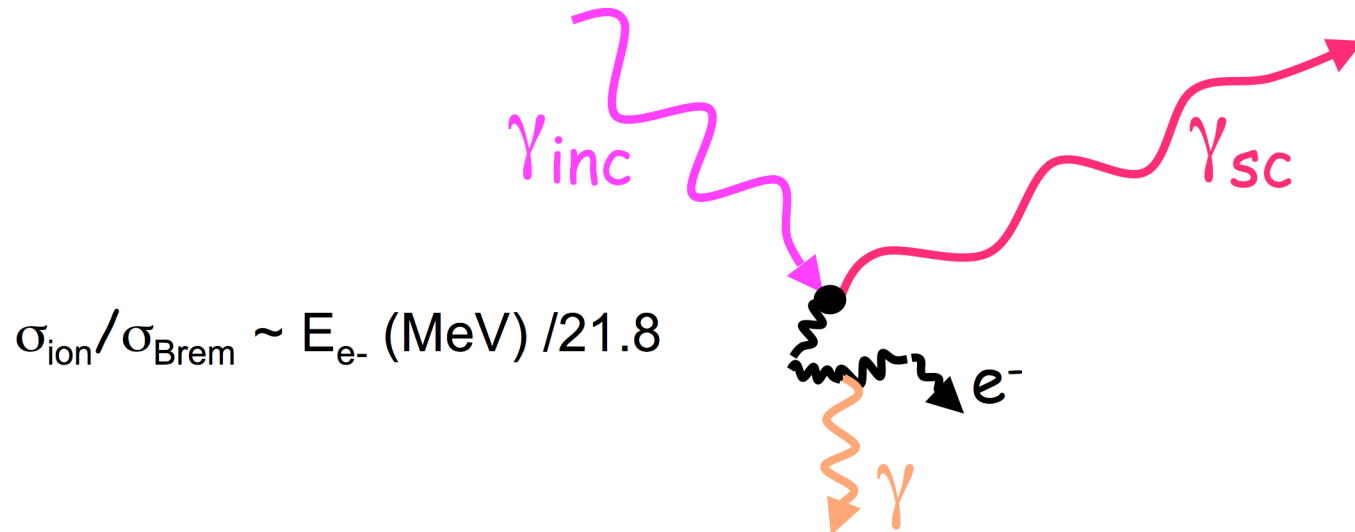
The identification is not 100% sure



- ⇒ spectra will always contain background
- ⇒ Acceptance value determines the quality of the spectrum
- ⇒ Use $R = \text{Efficiency} \times P/T$ to qualify the reconstructed spectrum

What limits tracking performance ?

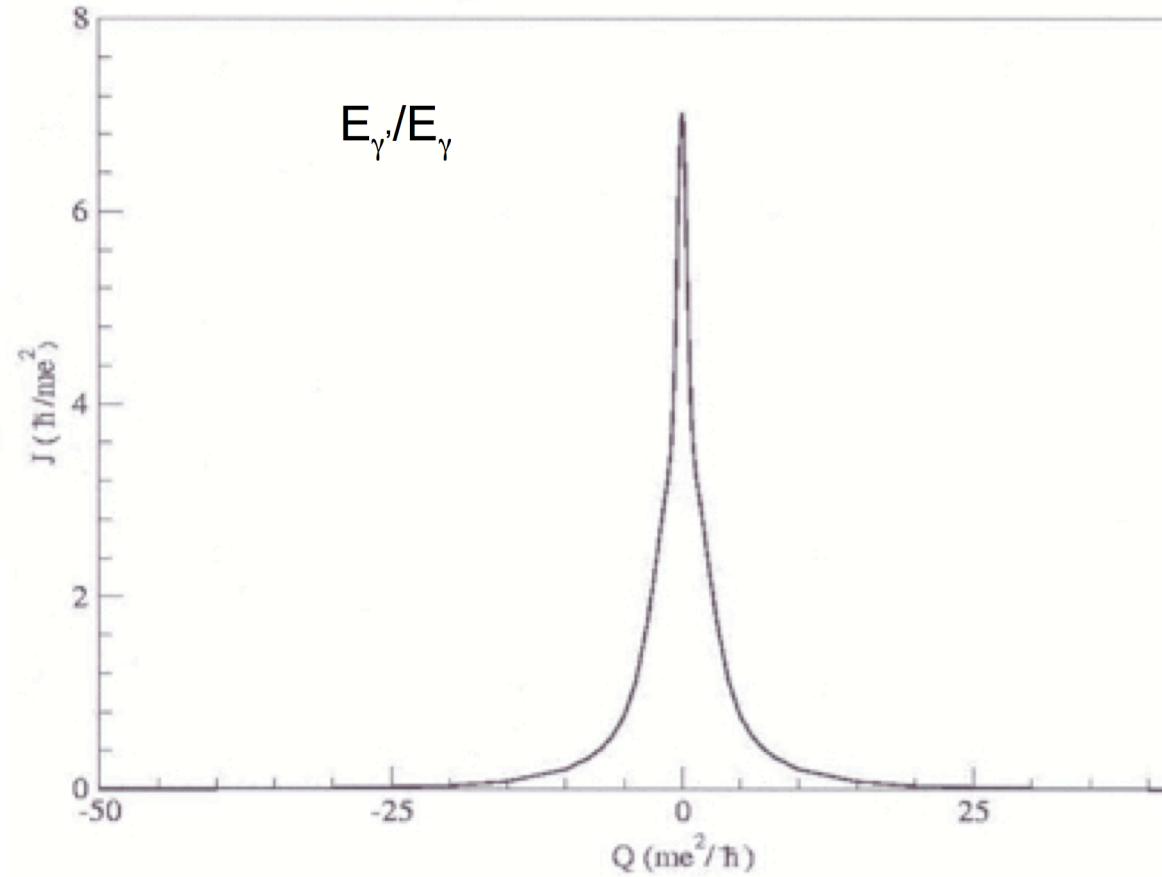
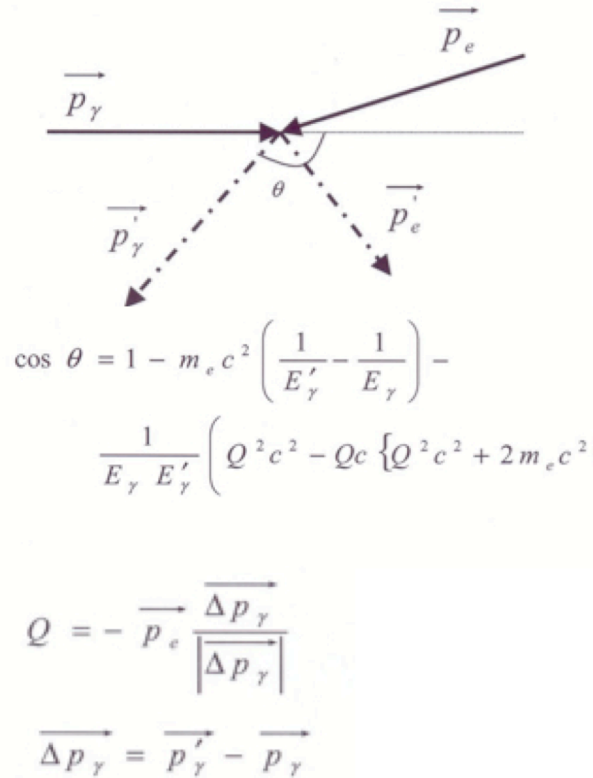
- Interaction position \neq position of energy deposition



- Rayleigh scattering (relevant at low gamma energies and end of track)

\Rightarrow change in incident direction

Electron Momentum Profile



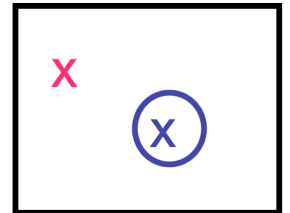
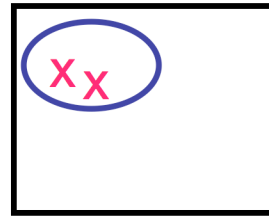
Low-Energy Compton Scattering for Geant4
 by R. Marc Kippen www.batse.msfc.nasa.gov

Some more complications

From Pulse Shape Analysis:

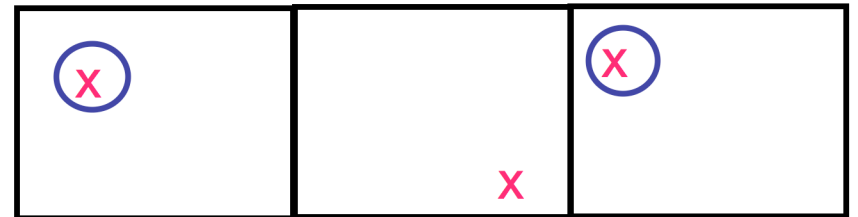
uncertainty in position of interaction $\delta p(e_i, x_i, y_i, z_i)$:

position resolution



From preamplifier:

energy threshold



From preprocessing:

energy resolution

Clusterisation & Forward tracking

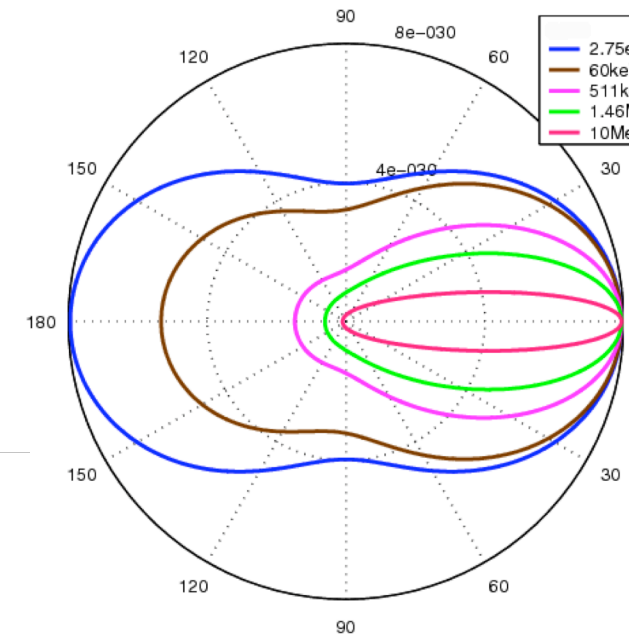
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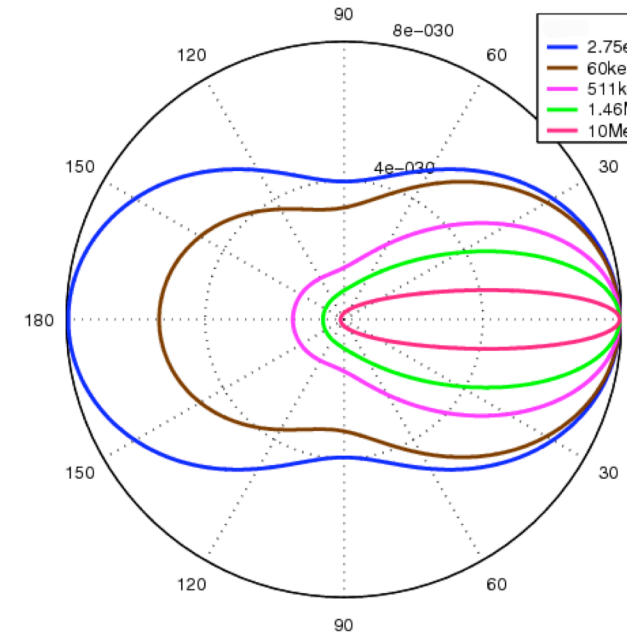
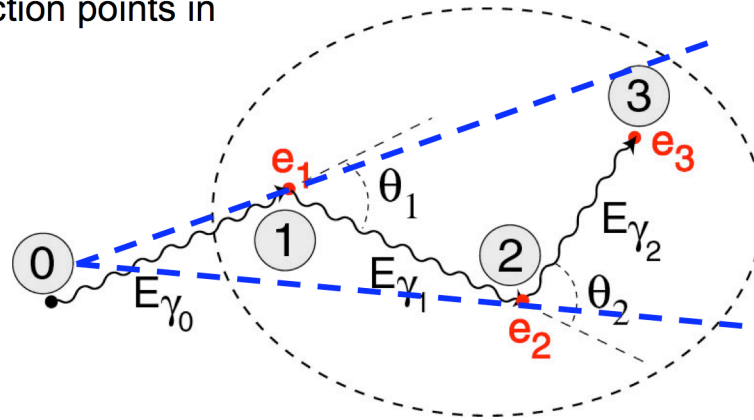
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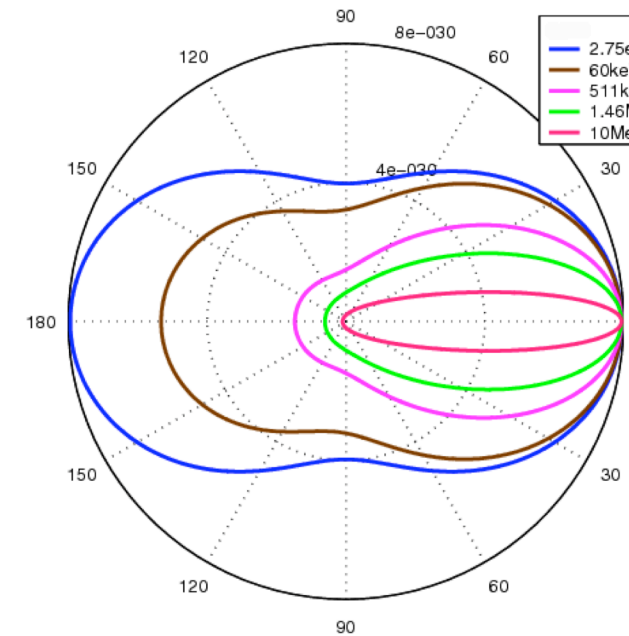
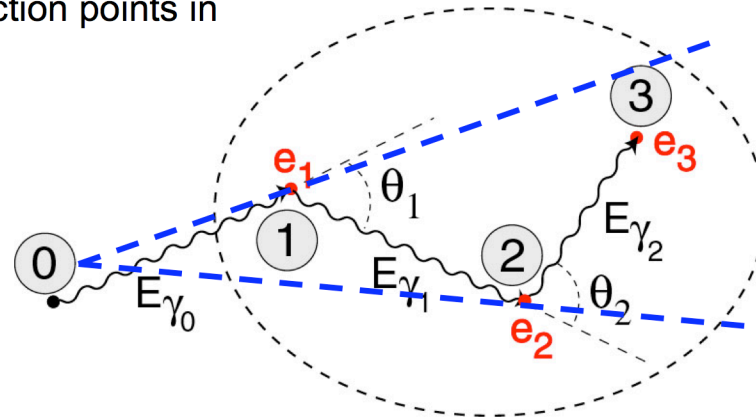
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Interaction points with an angular distance $\leq \alpha$ between each other (link alg.) or with respect to a given point (leader alg.) constitute a CLUSTER

2 algorithms available: Mgt (D. Bazzacco) and OFT (A. Lopez-Martens)

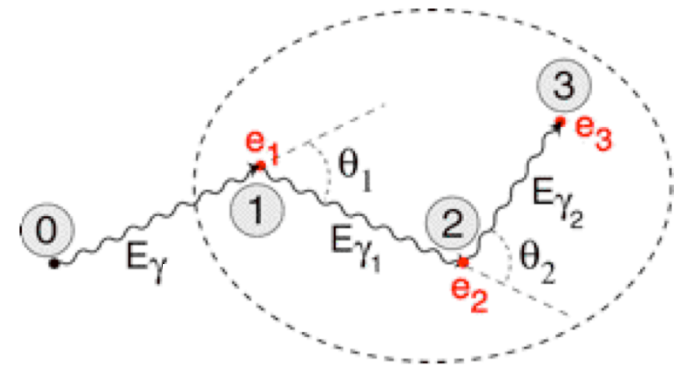
Forward tracking (OFT)

1. Create cluster pool => for each cluster, E_γ = sum of energy depositions in the cluster
2. Find most probable sequence of interaction points for each cluster

Which sequence satisfies best the Compton scattering rules ?

$$L = \prod_{n=1}^N P_n \exp \left[- \left(\frac{E_{\gamma n} - E_{\gamma n, \text{pos}}}{\sigma_E} \right)^2 \right]$$

Probability for Compton or photoelectric interaction and for travelling a given distance in Germanium

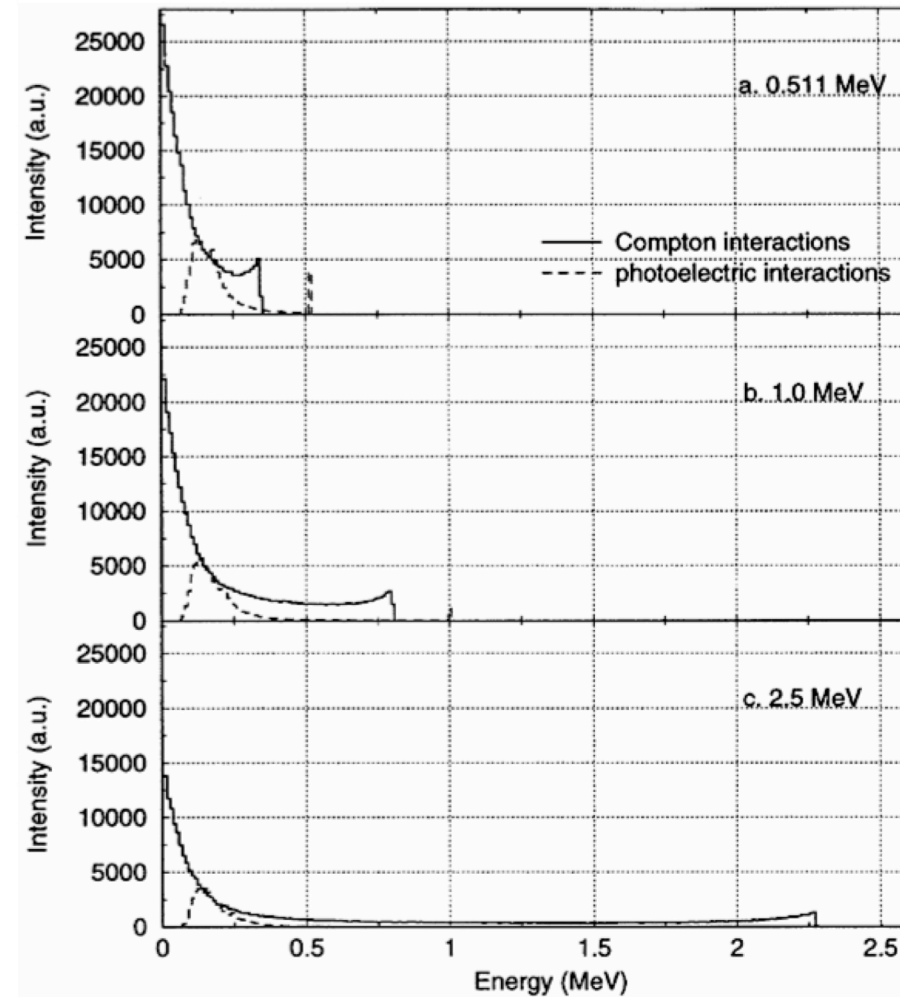


3. Accept or reject clusters on the basis of $(2 \times N - 1)$ th root of L

Backtracking

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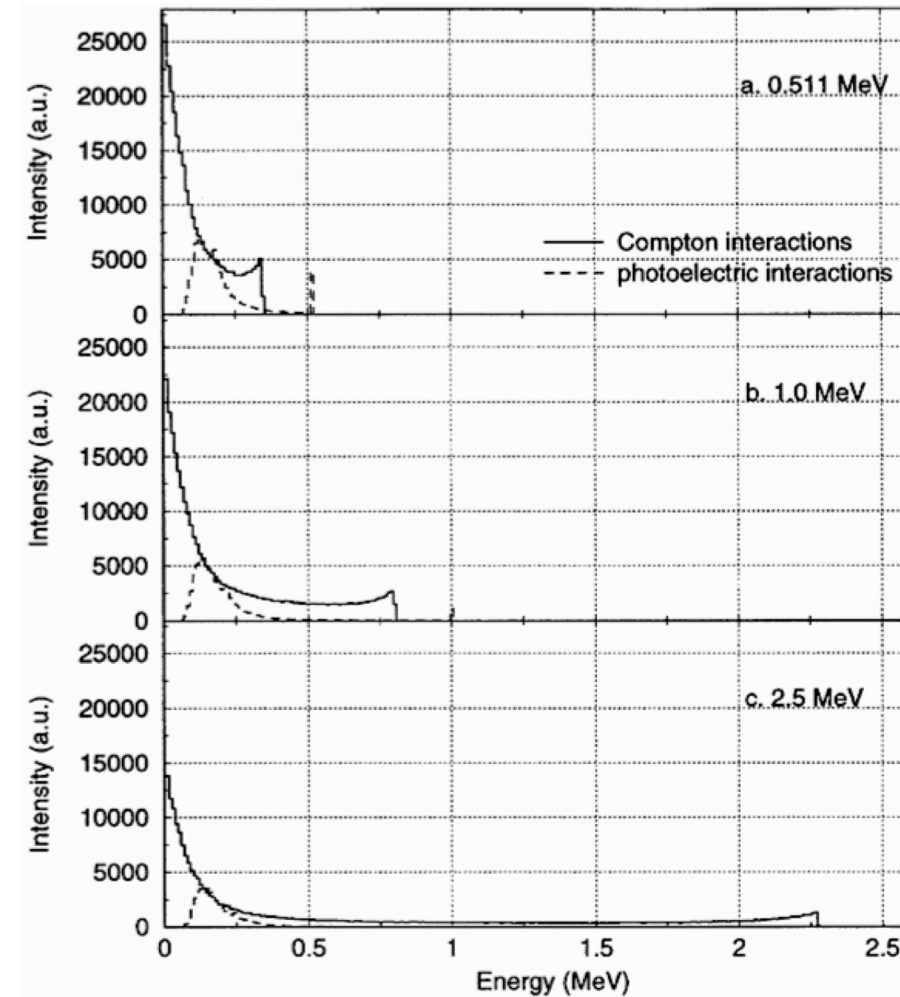
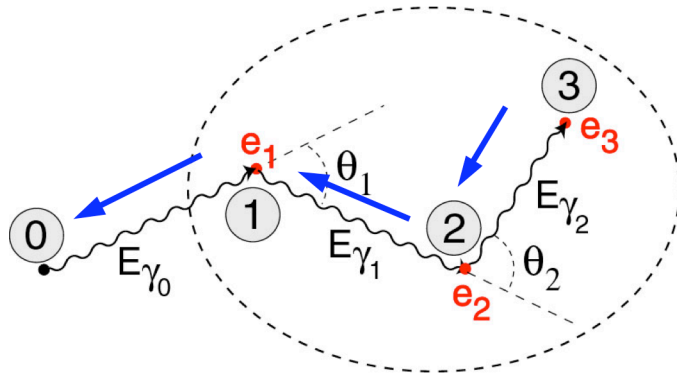
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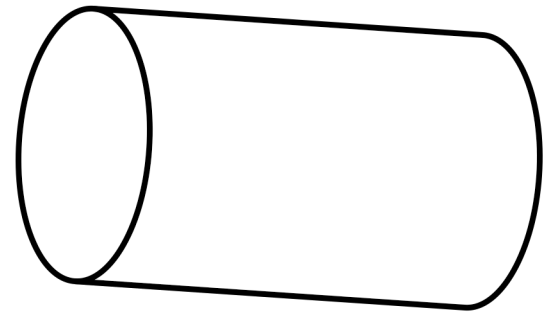
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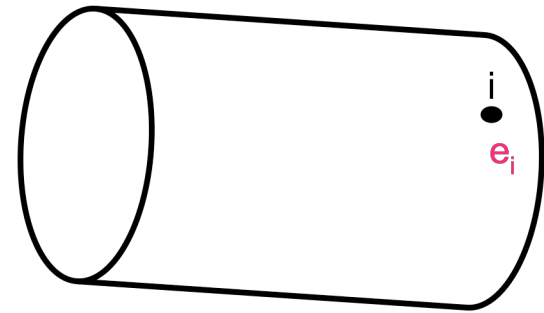
\Rightarrow interaction points within a given deposited energy interval ($e_{\min} < e_i < e_{\max}$) will be considered as the LAST INTERACTION of a fully absorbed photon track

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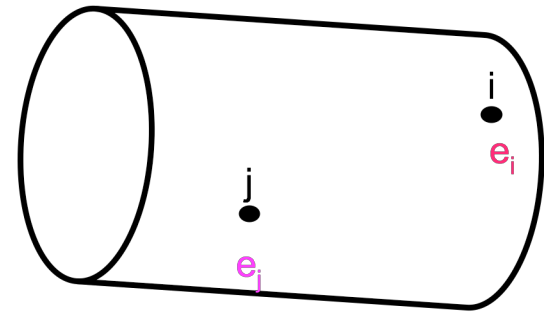
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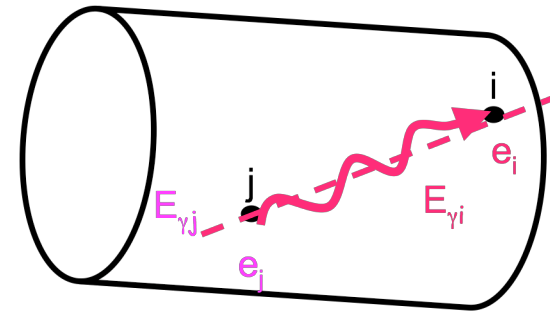
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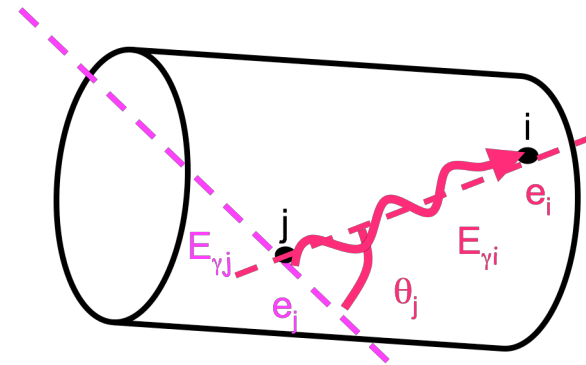
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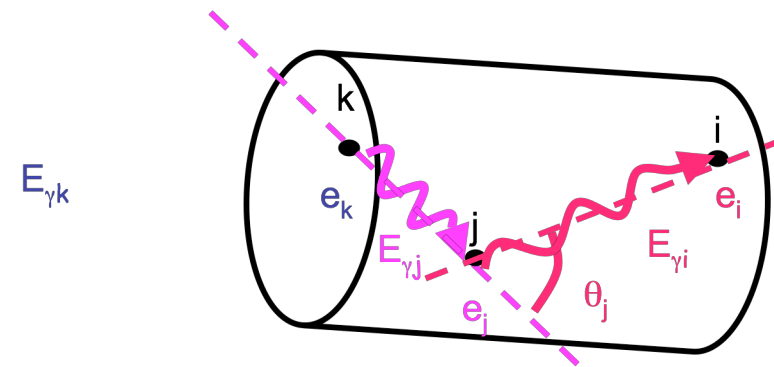
4. Find previous interaction k or source along direction

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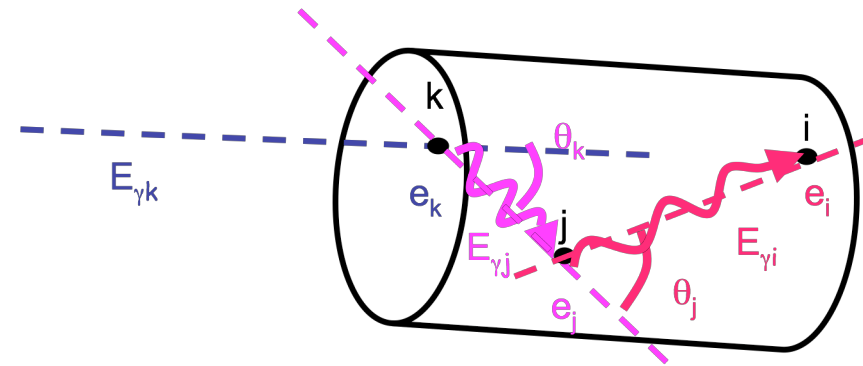
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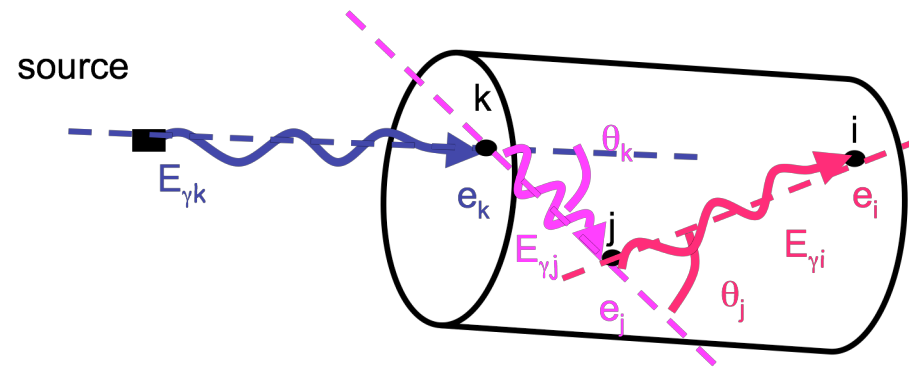
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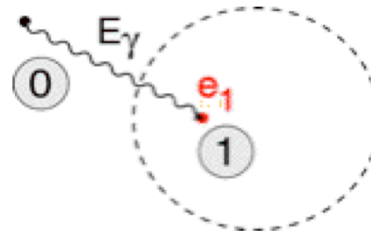
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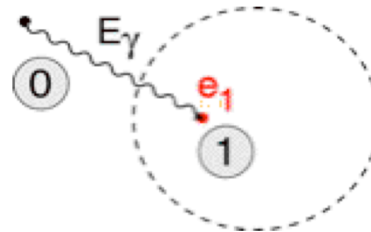


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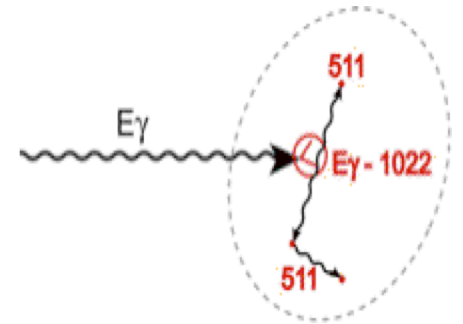
! ~20% of full absorption 1 MeV events end up in single interaction points

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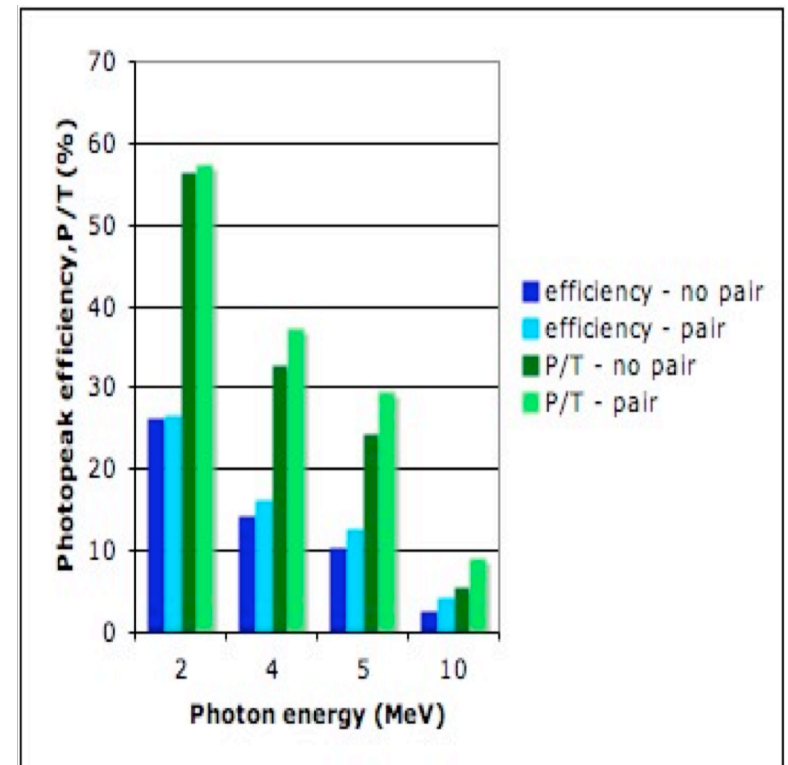
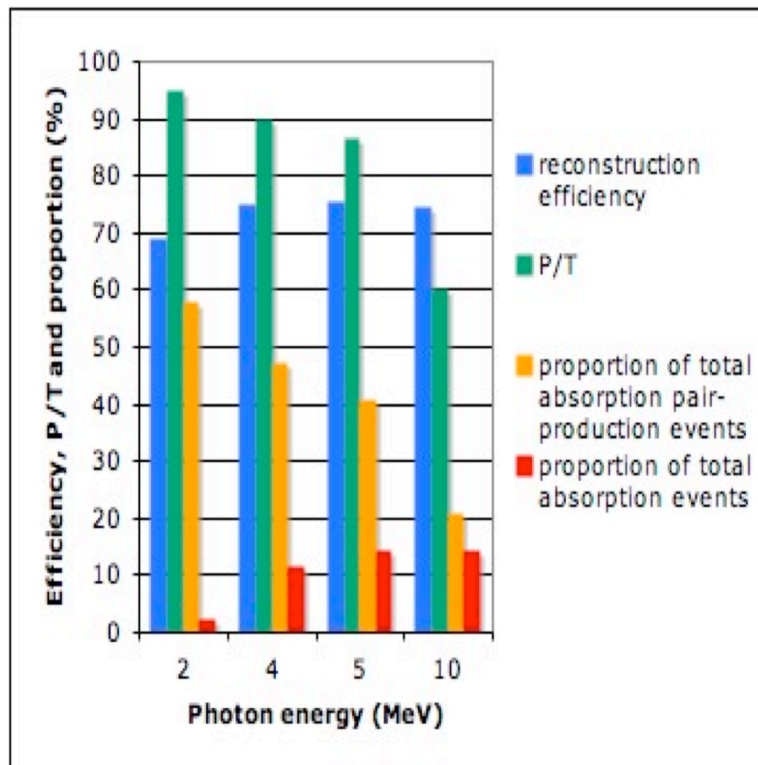
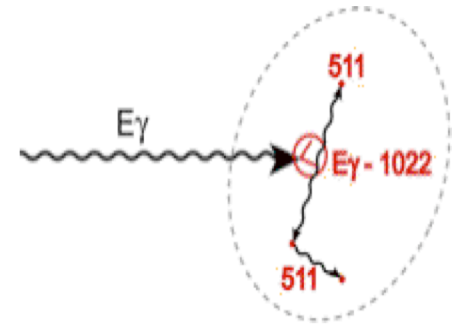


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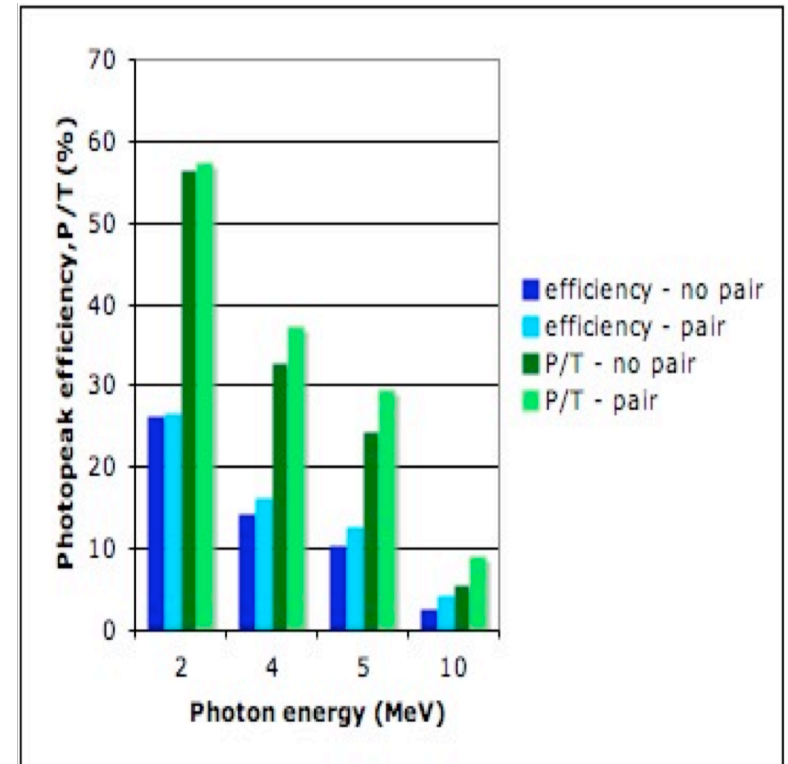
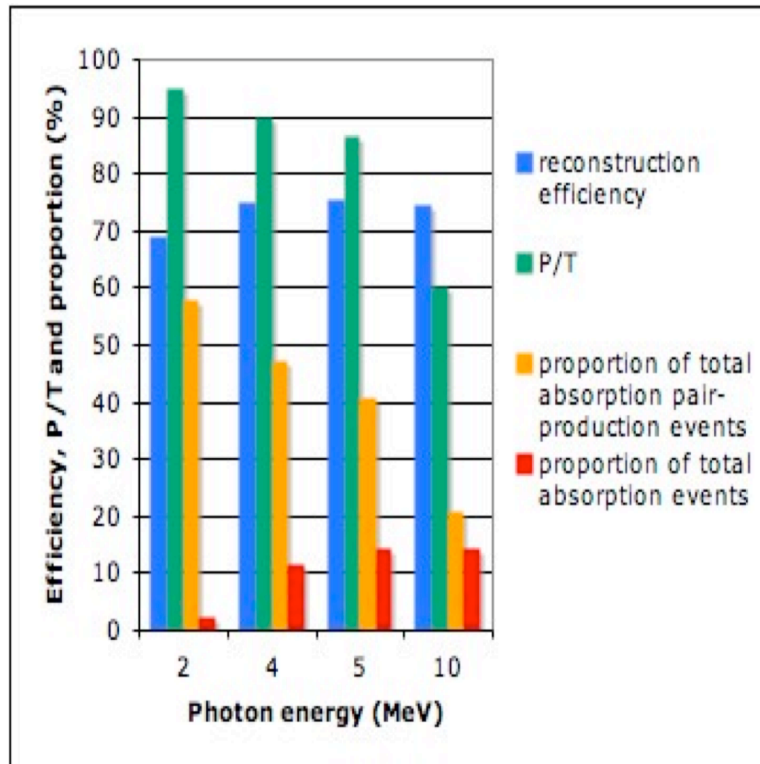
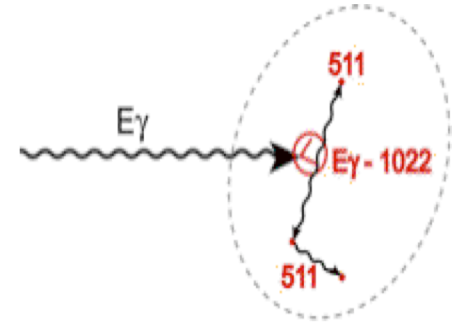


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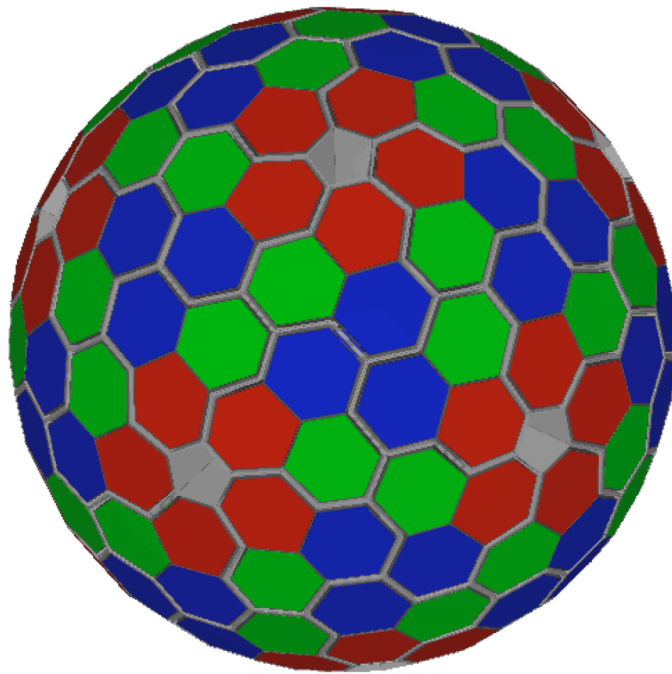
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For the moment, only Mgt has the option to track pair-production events **online**

Simulation tool



Simulation of interactions of $M\gamma$ photons in a 4π shell or Agata (with the Agata Geant4 code)

E. Farnea et al., NIM A 621, 331 (2010)

(e_i, x_i, y_i, z_i)



Simulation of PSA:
packing,
smearing,
energy threshold,
energy resolution

(e'_k, x'_k, y'_k, z'_k)



Tracking codes



$(E_n, \text{incident} + \text{scattered directions})$

Output Format

AGATA 7.3.0
OUTPUT_MASK 11100100
DISTFACTOR 1
ENERFACTOR 1
G4TRACKING 0
DATE Tue Feb 23 14:42:28 2010

see [agataManual.pdf](#) for more info

GEOMETRY

AGATA

SUMMARY 235.008 329.202 180 3 6 6 6 6 6

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PASSIVE 1

CAPSULES 1

ENDGEOMETRY

GENERATOR 0

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GAMMA 1

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RECOIL 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000 1.0000 0.0000

SOURCE 0 0 0.0000 0.0000 0.0000

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-1 660.000 -0.60338 0.67296 0.42786 0
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Why does one use forward tracking ?

A. Lopez-Martens *et al.*, Nucl. Instr. Meth. A 533 (2004) 454

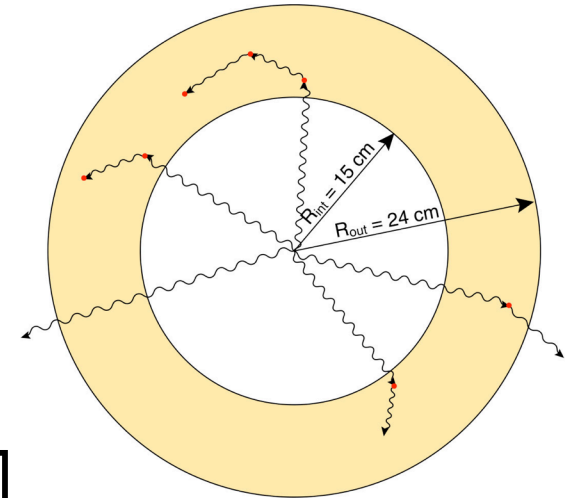
- Geant4 => Ph. Eff. = 76%

P/T = 81%

Photon Energy = 1 MeV

Multiplicity 1 and 30

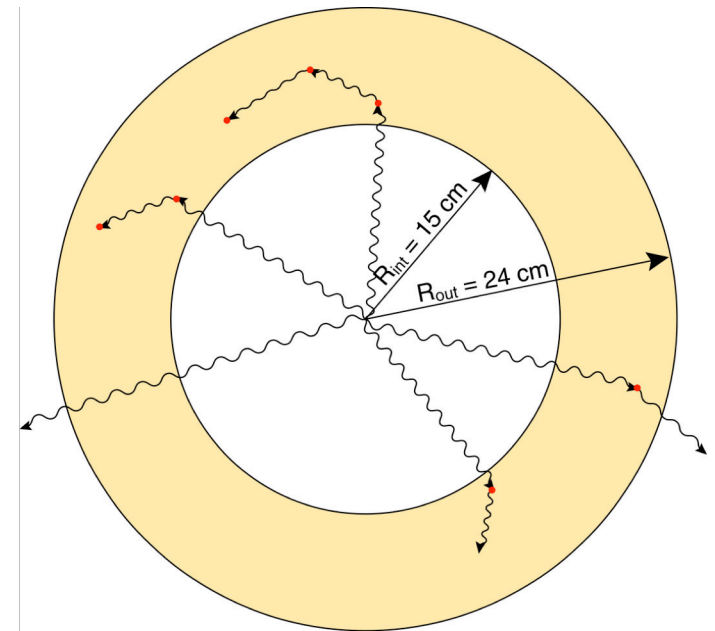
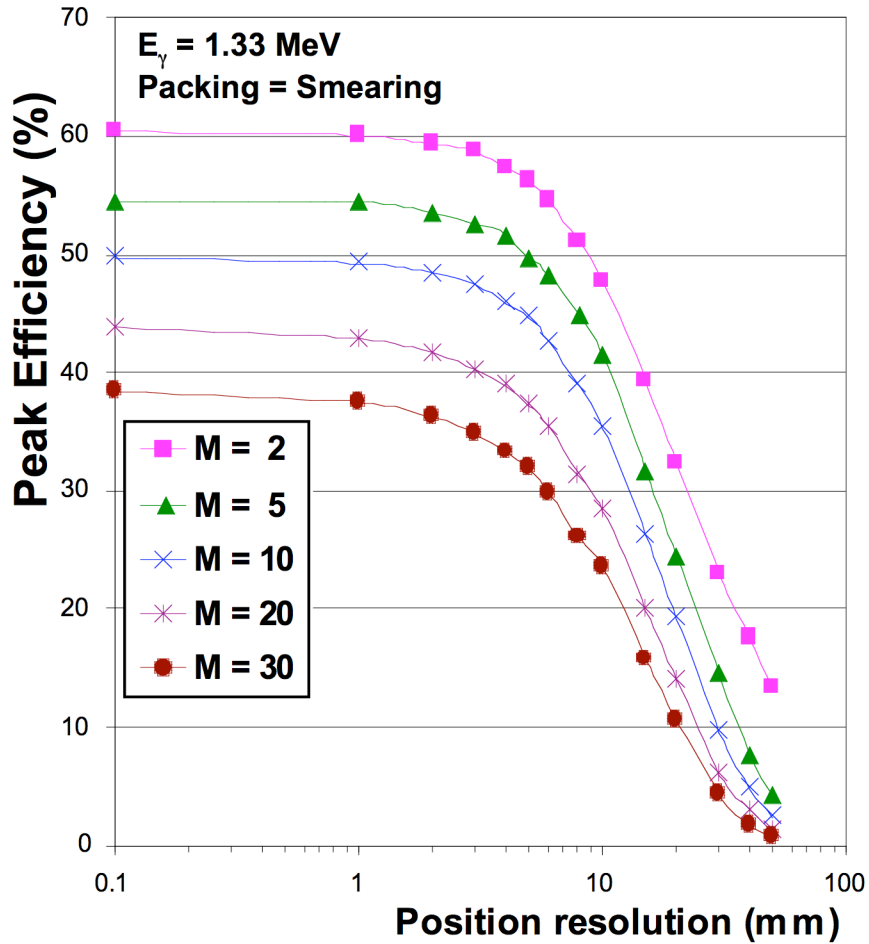
Smearing - packing - energy threshold



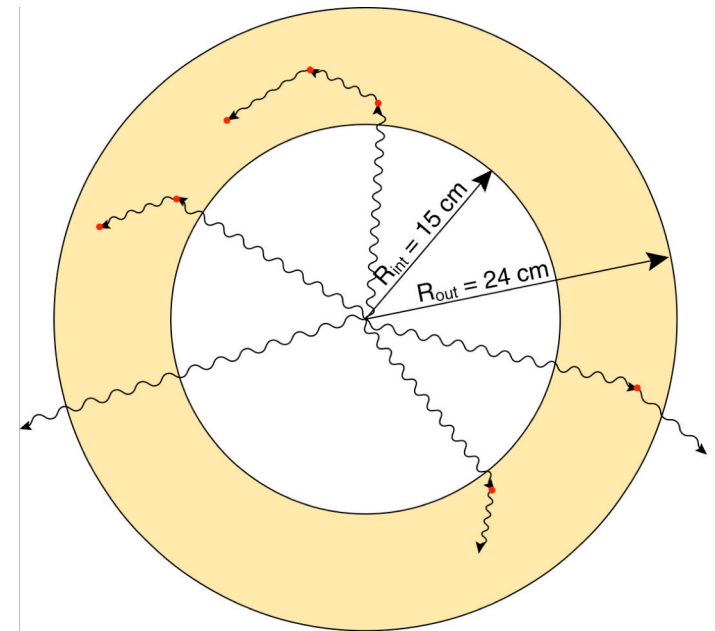
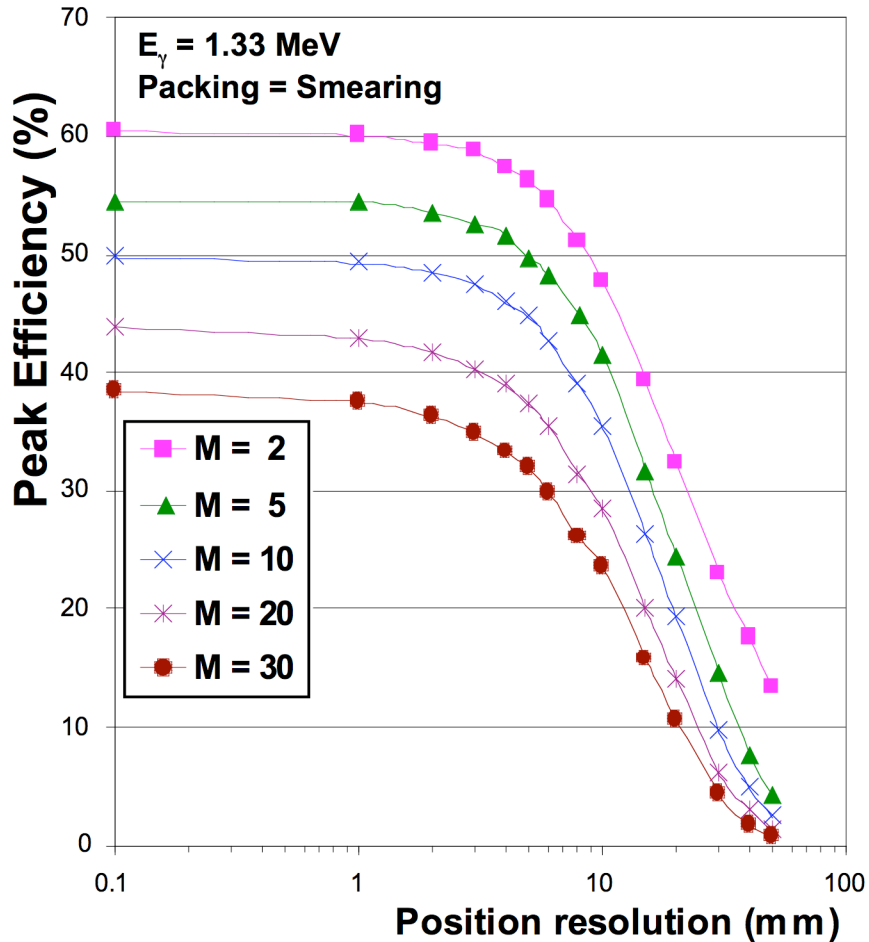
	Ph. Eff.	P/T
Forward-tracking	61.6 (33.9)	84.2 (57.7)
backtracking	40.3 (25.3)	67.0 (46.7)

Backtracking: the last points of the sequence are of low energy and close to each other
→ **bad position resolution and easily packed together**

Performances vs position resolution & gamma multiplicity

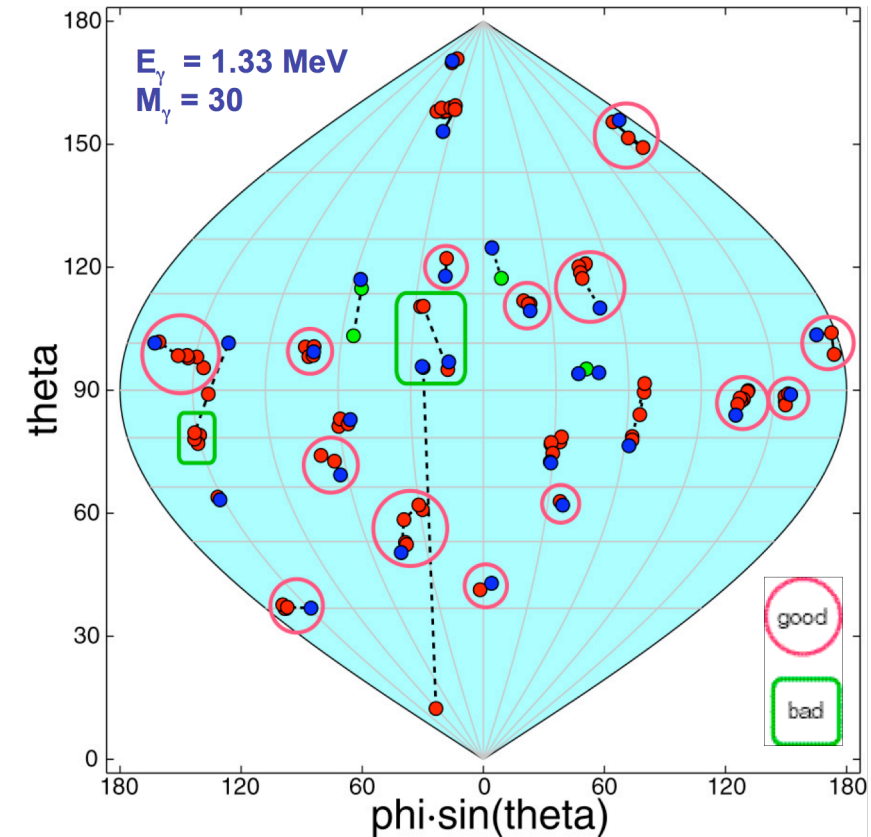
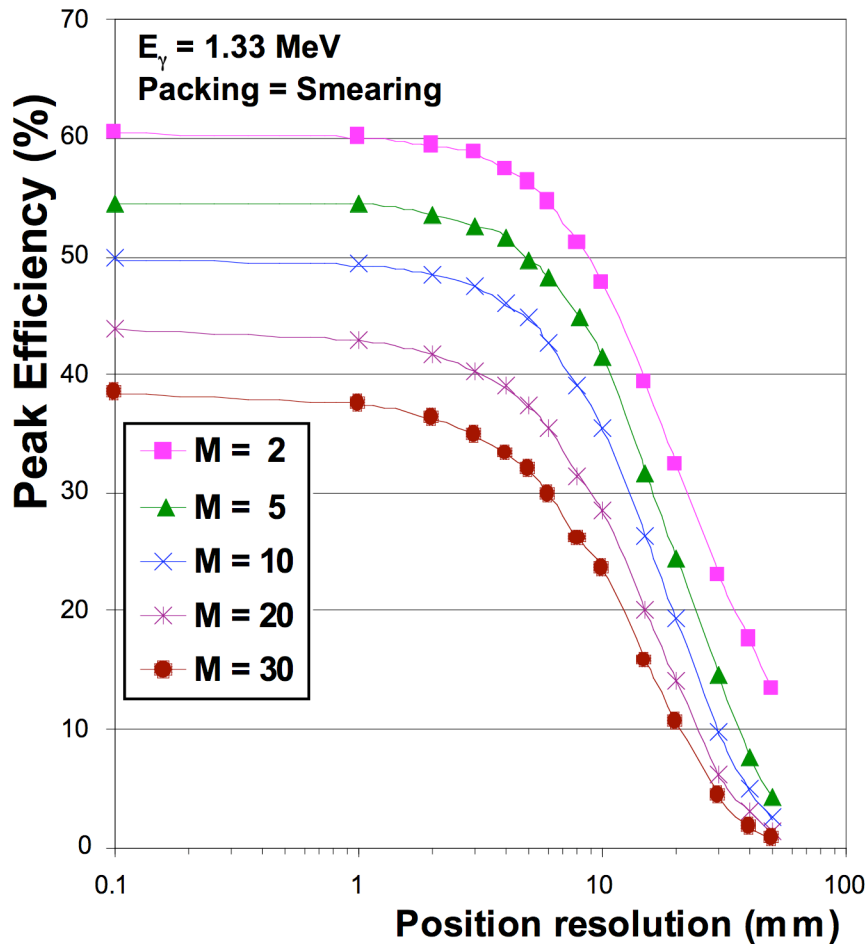


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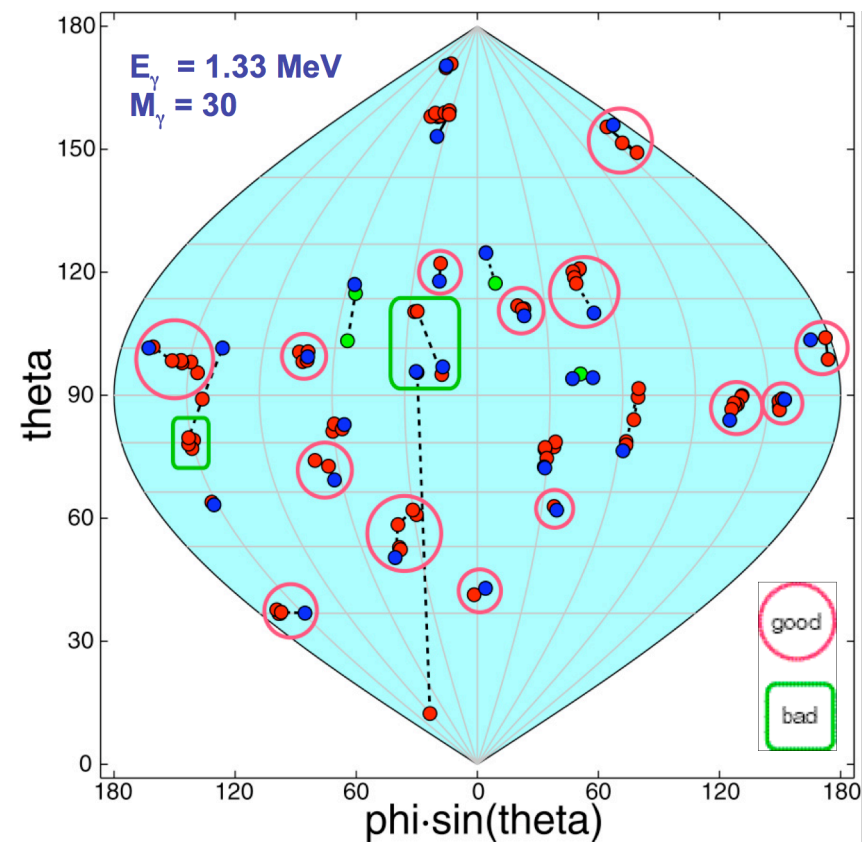
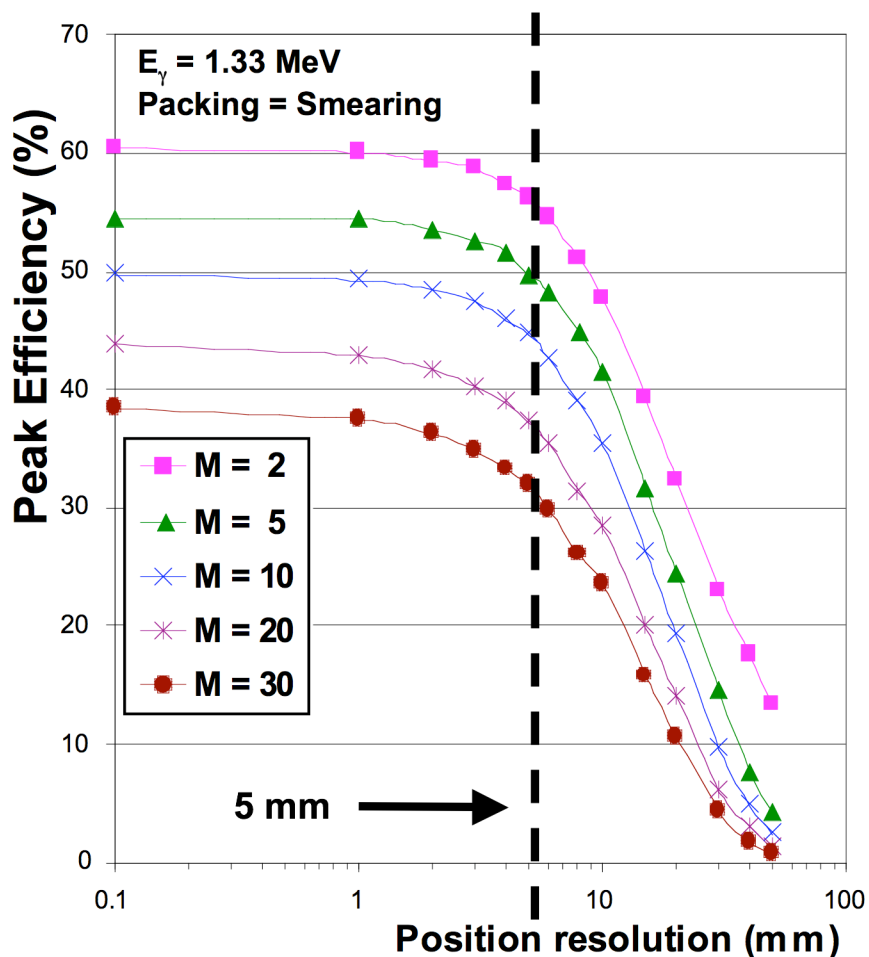
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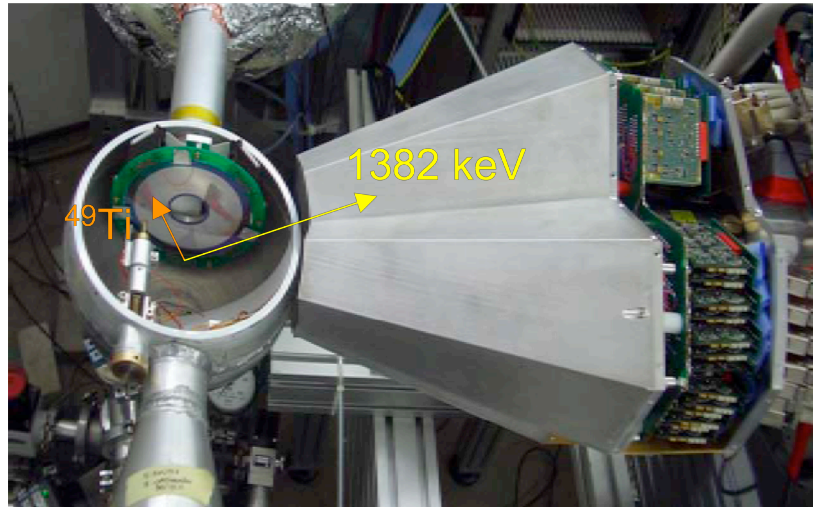
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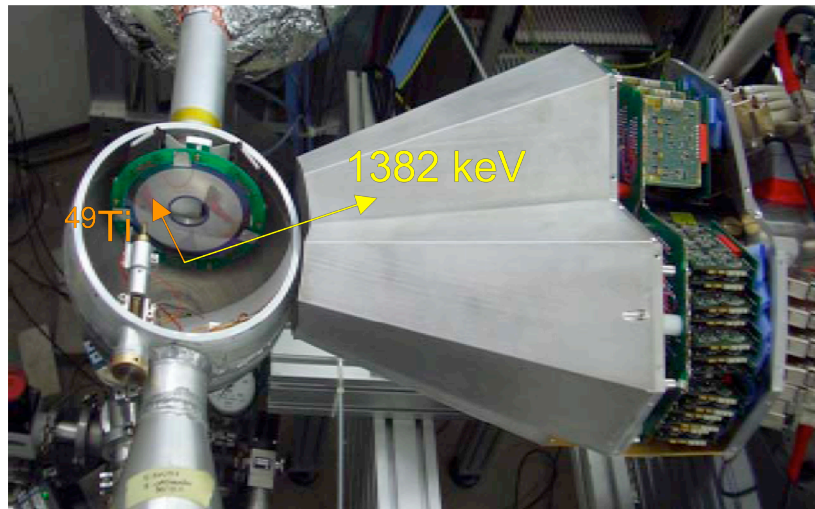
Deduced position resolution @ AGATA



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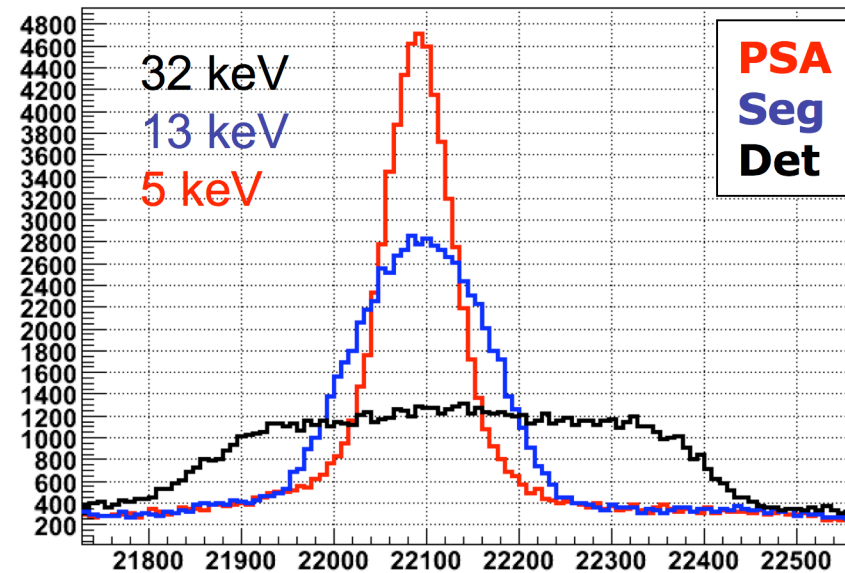
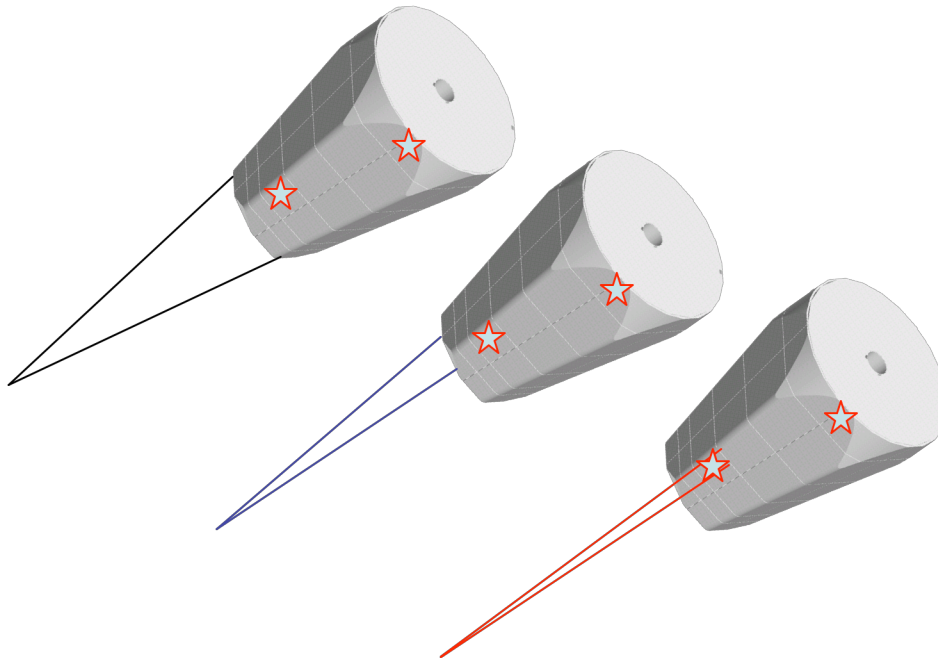
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target	$^{48}\text{Ti} + ^2\text{H}$	220 $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$
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AGATA triple symmetric cluster		

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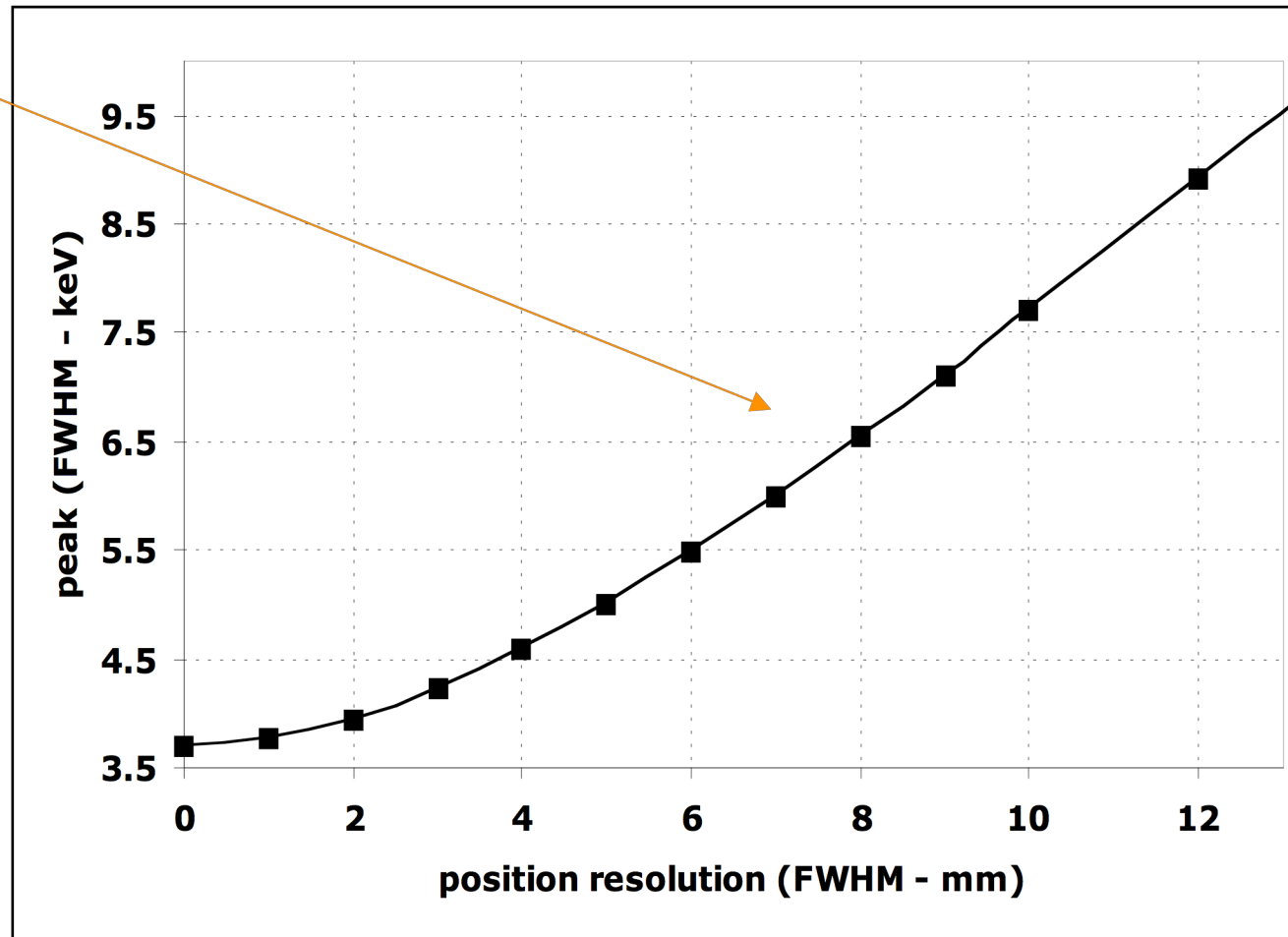
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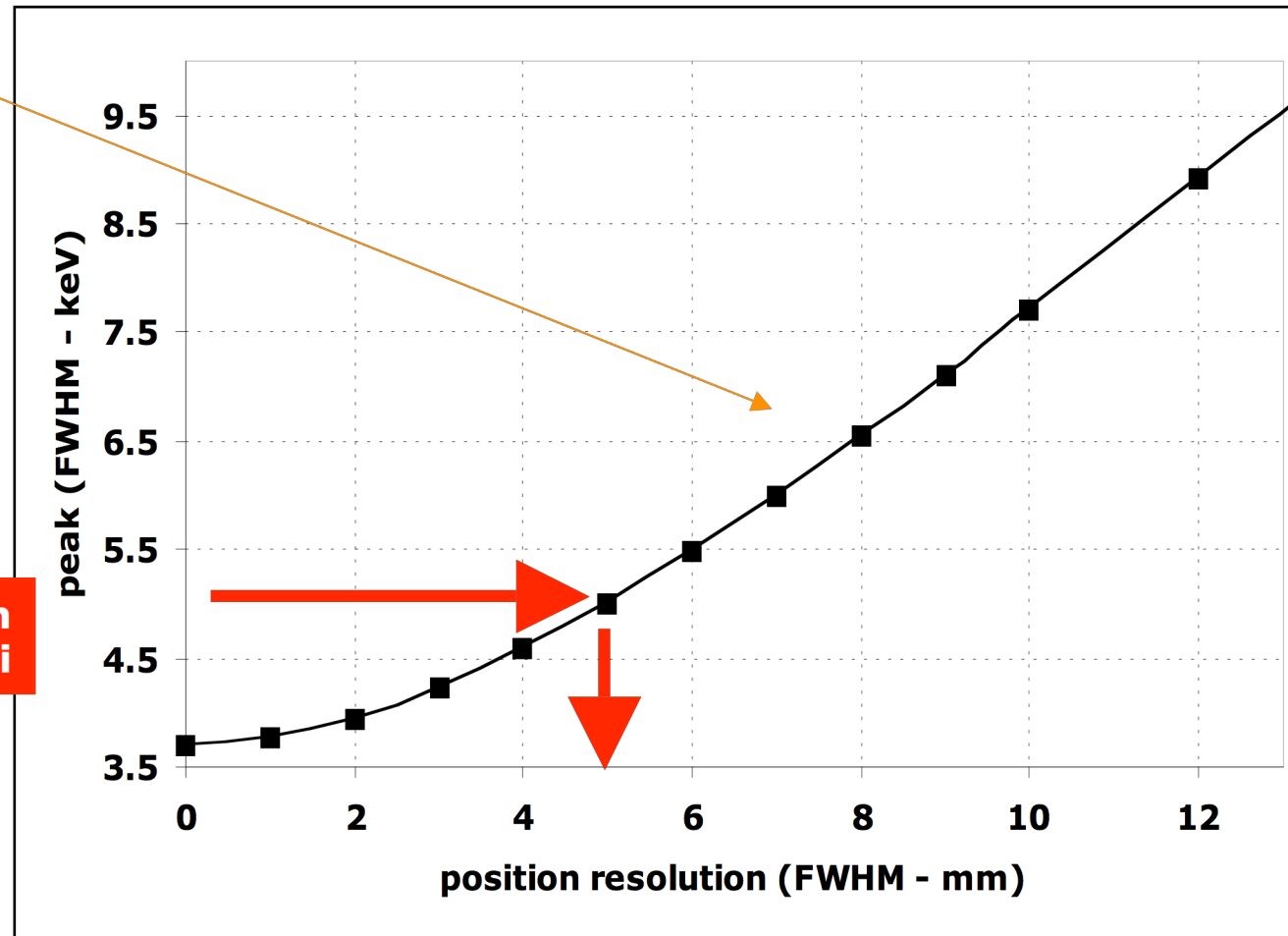


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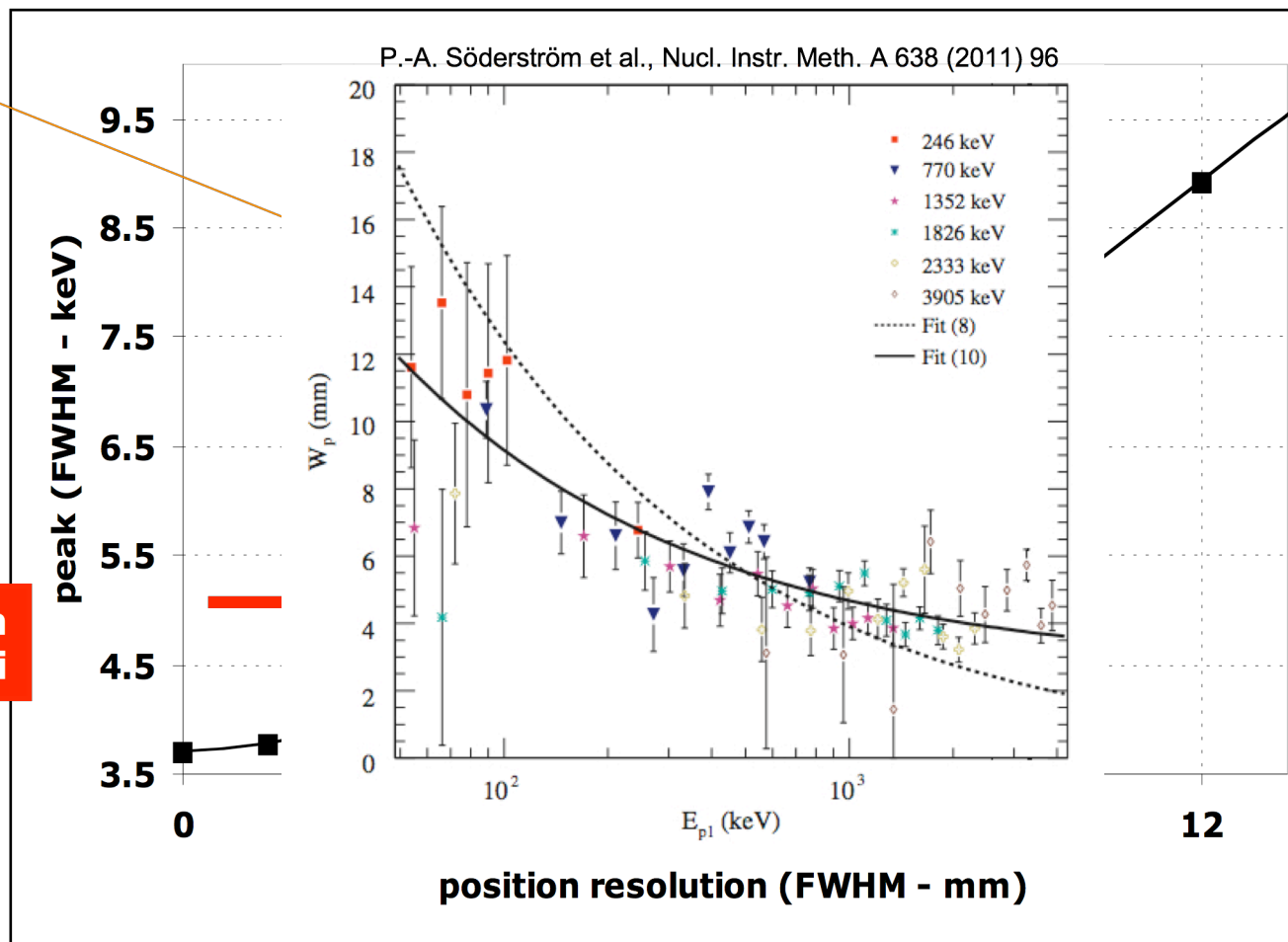


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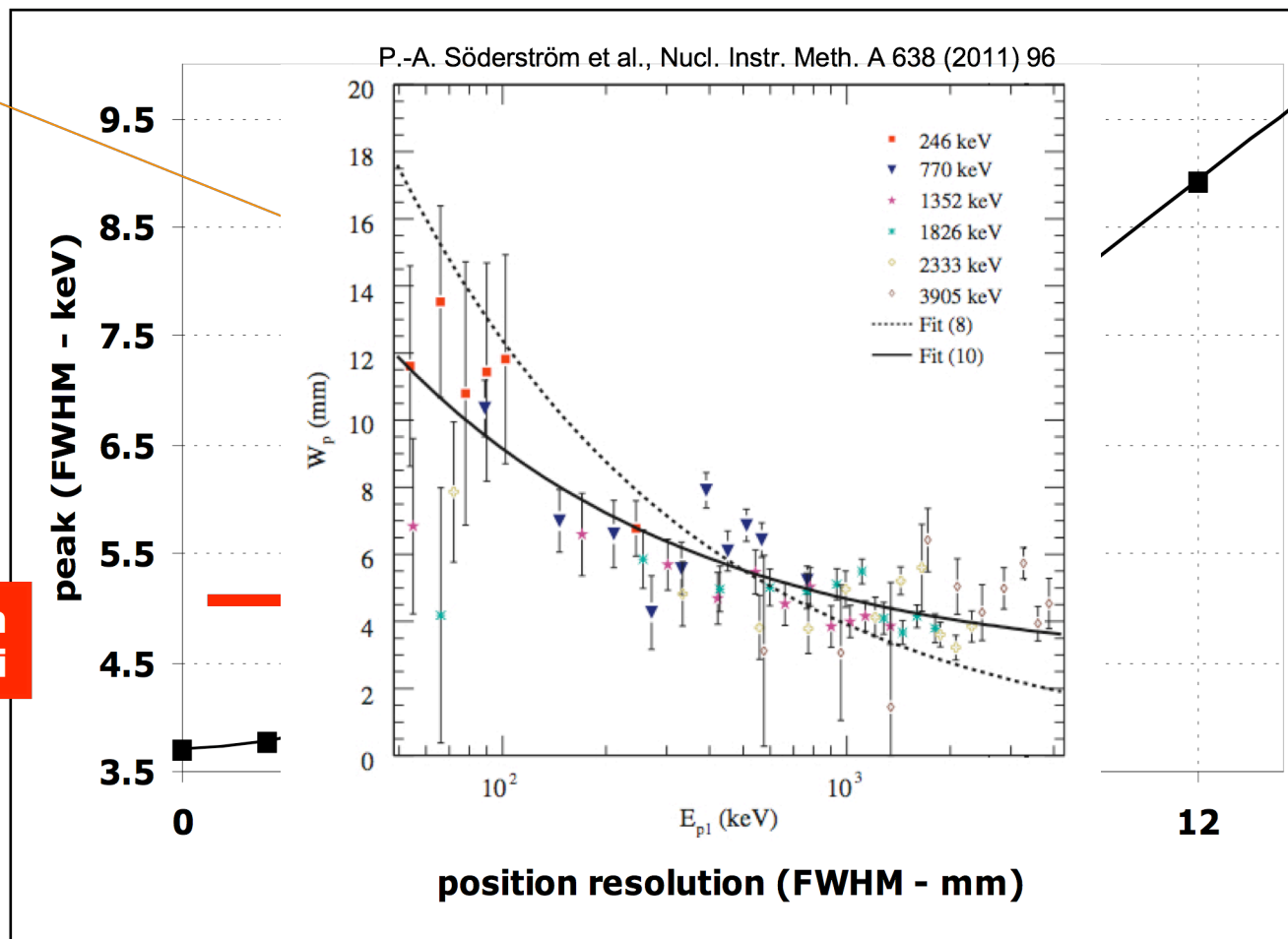


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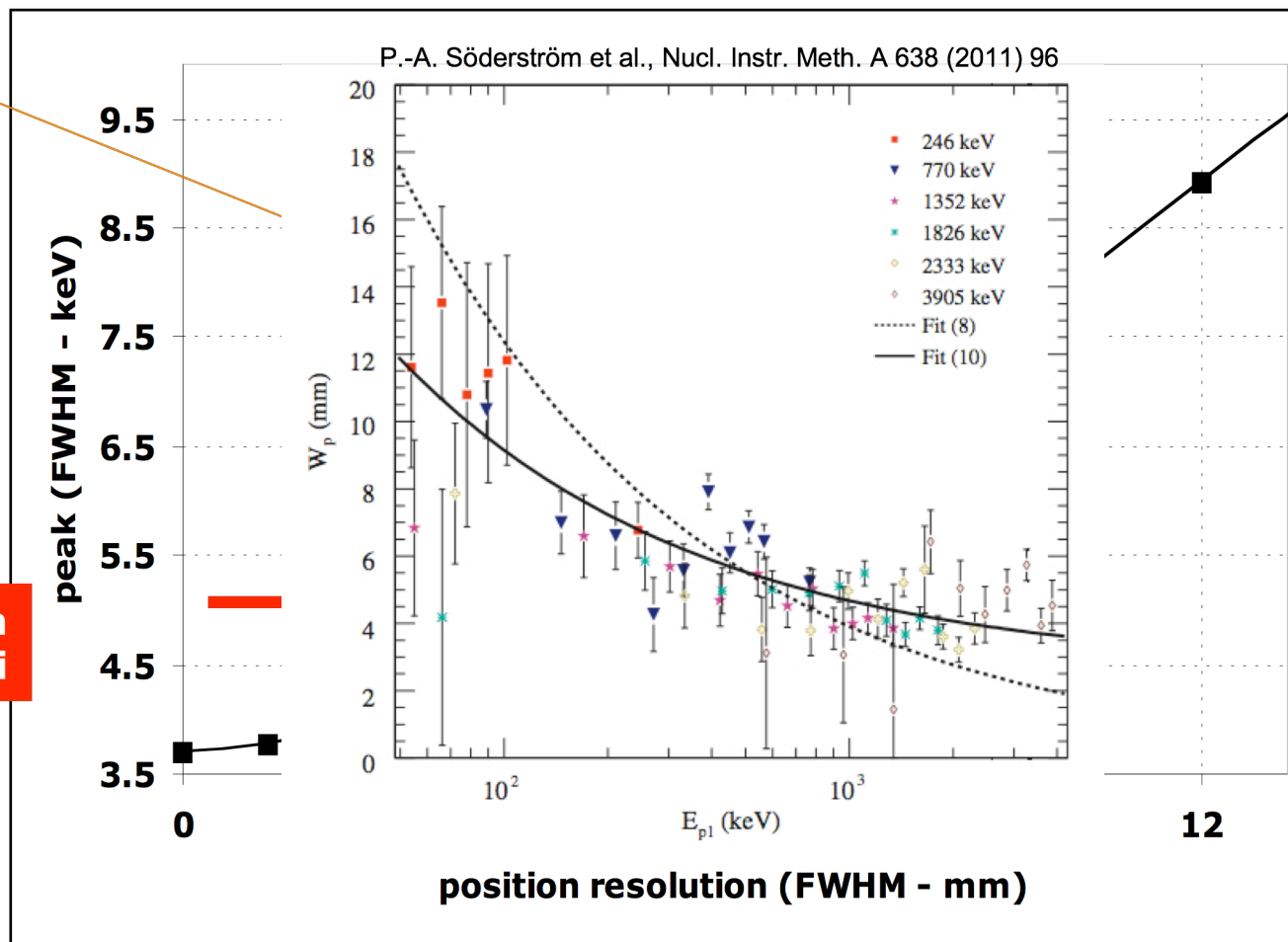
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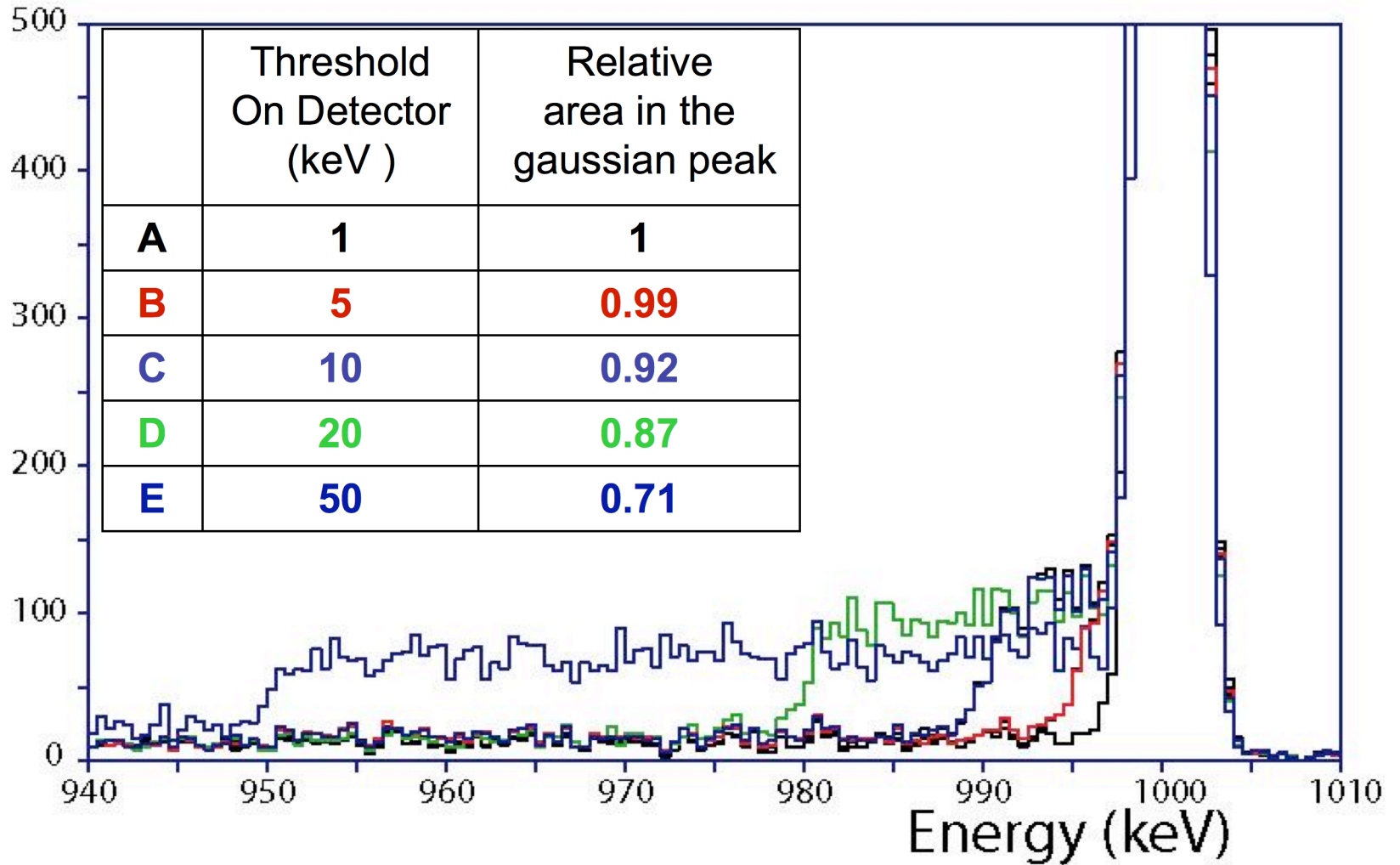
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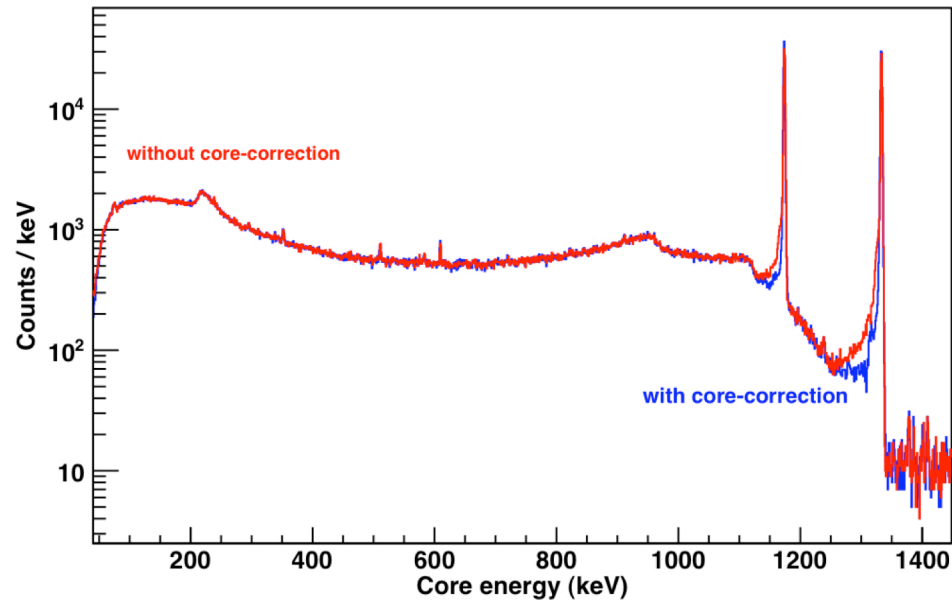
Other estimates: quality of Compton imaging by F. Recchia et al., & ^{22}Na position resolution measurement by S. Klupp et al.,

Effect of energy threshold



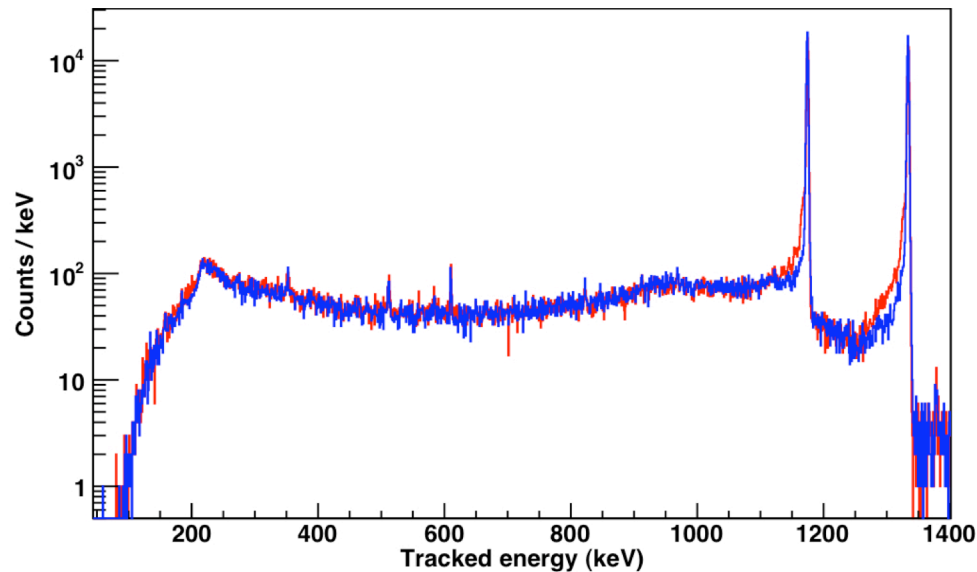
Core-energy correction

Sum
of
core
spectra



$E_{\text{core}} - \Sigma$ segments
redistributed
among segments

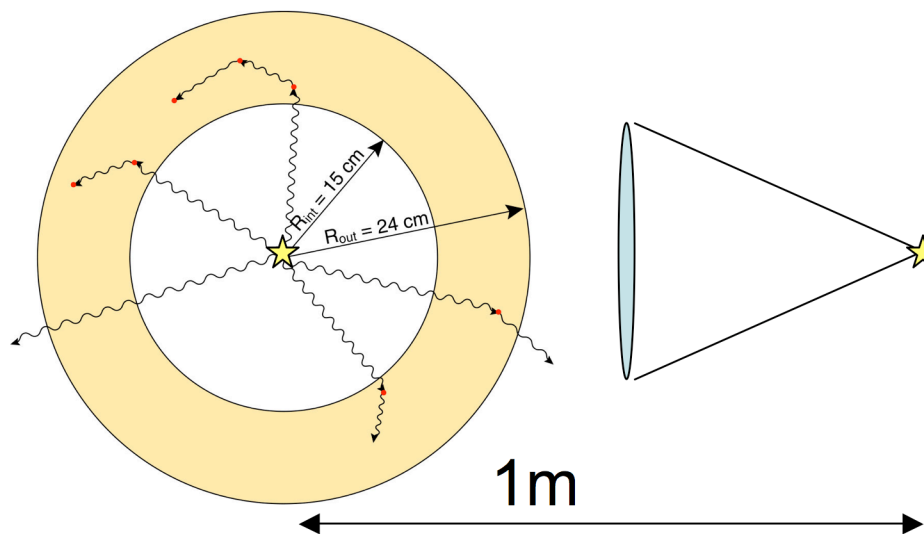
Tracked
spectra
(no single
interactions)



+10% peak

+12% P/T

Background rejection



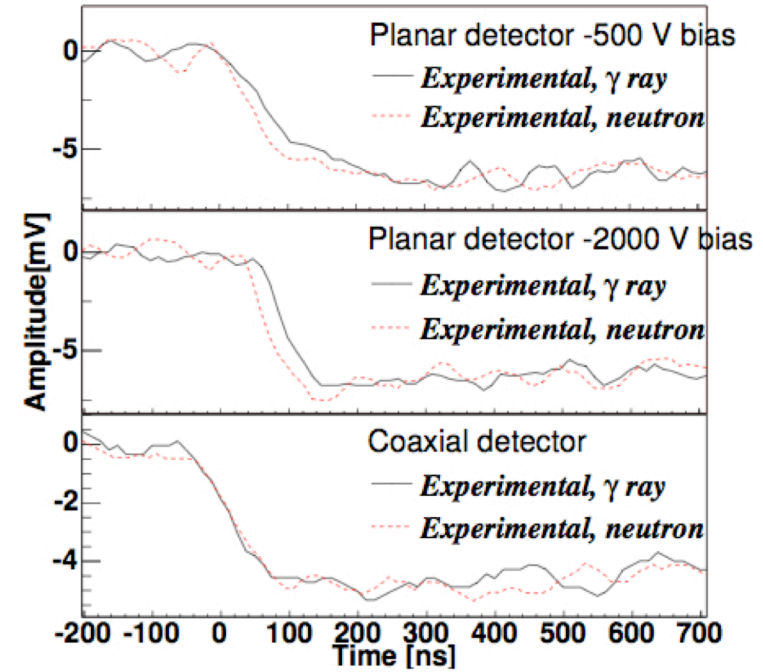
(same data used)	200 keV	500 keV	1 MeV
Centered source	P/T = 97.4% Tr. Eff = 90.5% Mgt: P/T=96.6% Tr. Eff = 95.3%	P/T=89.2% Tr. Eff. = 81.5 % Mgt: P/T=91.0% Tr. Eff = 94.5%	P/T=83.7% Tr. Eff = 80.1% Mgt: P/T=80.0% Tr. Eff = 92.7%
Off-centered source (1m from center)	P/T = 93.0% Tr. Eff = 1.6% Mgt: P/T=99.4% Tr. Eff = 57.4%	P/T=79.2% Tr. Eff. = 31.8% Mgt: P/T=77.3% Tr. Eff = 74.4%	P/T = 60.1% Tr. Eff = 40.1 % Mgt: P/T=66.6% Tr. Eff = 78.7%

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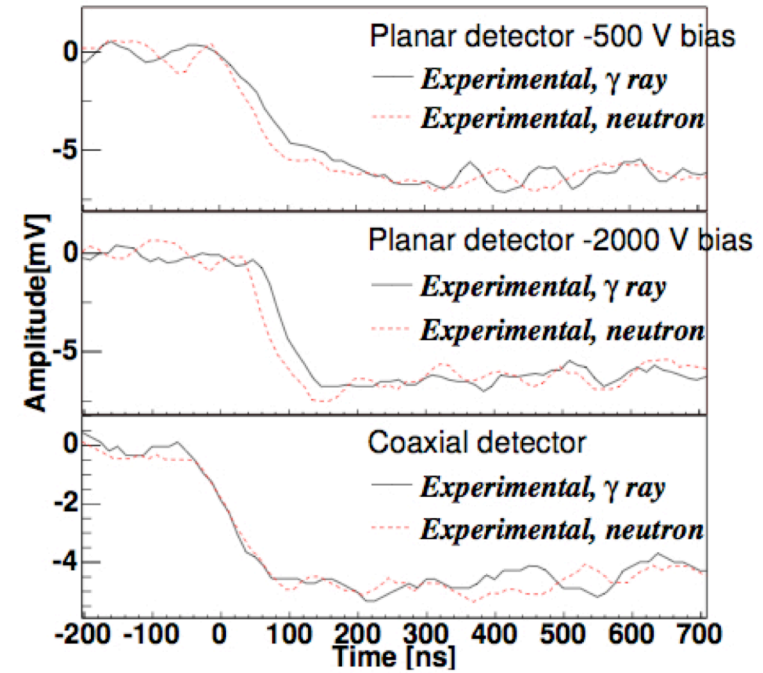
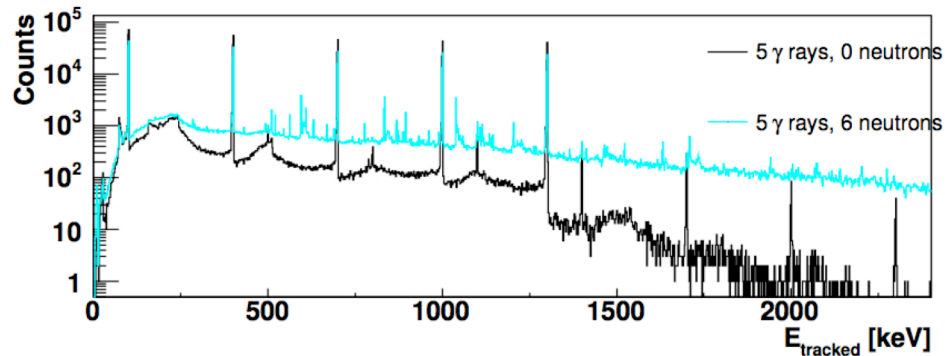
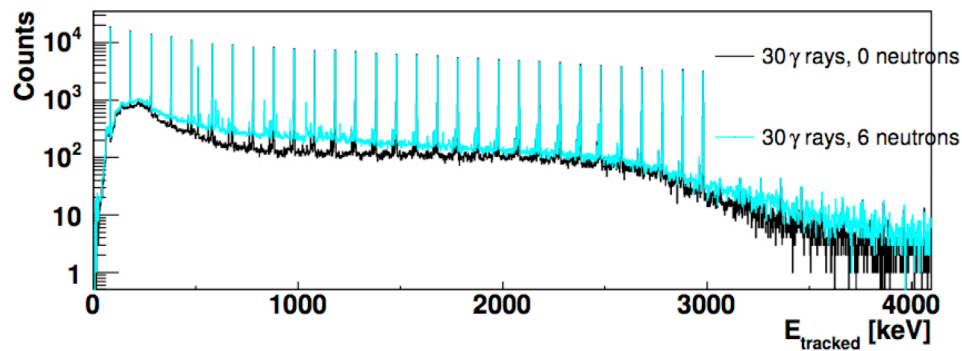


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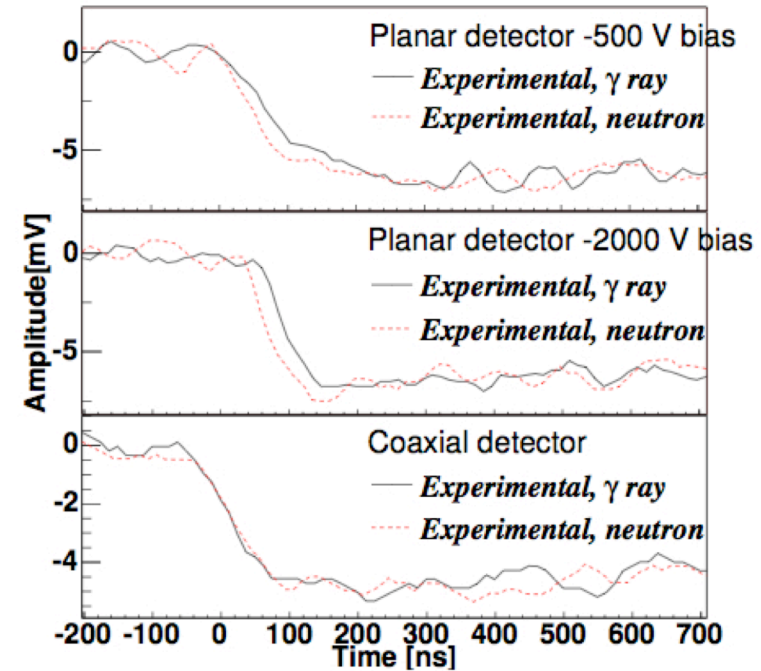
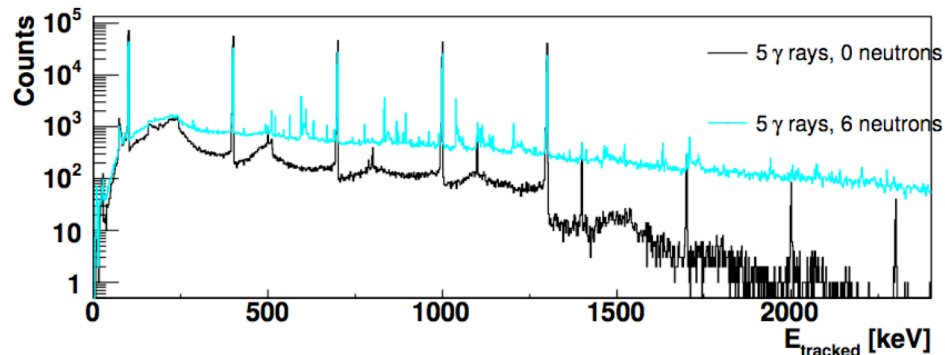
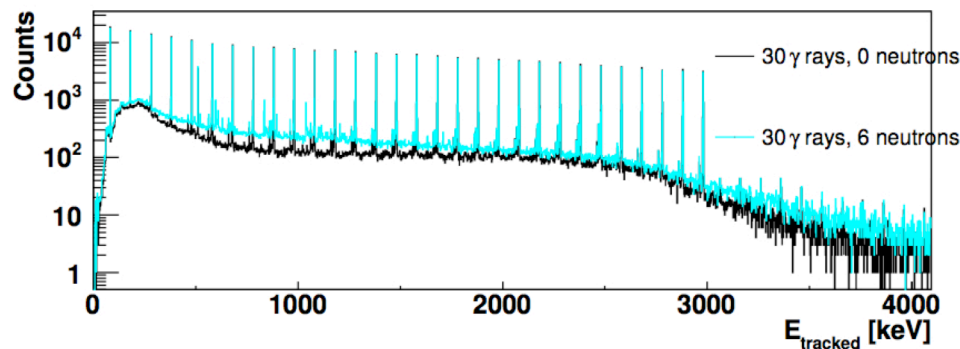


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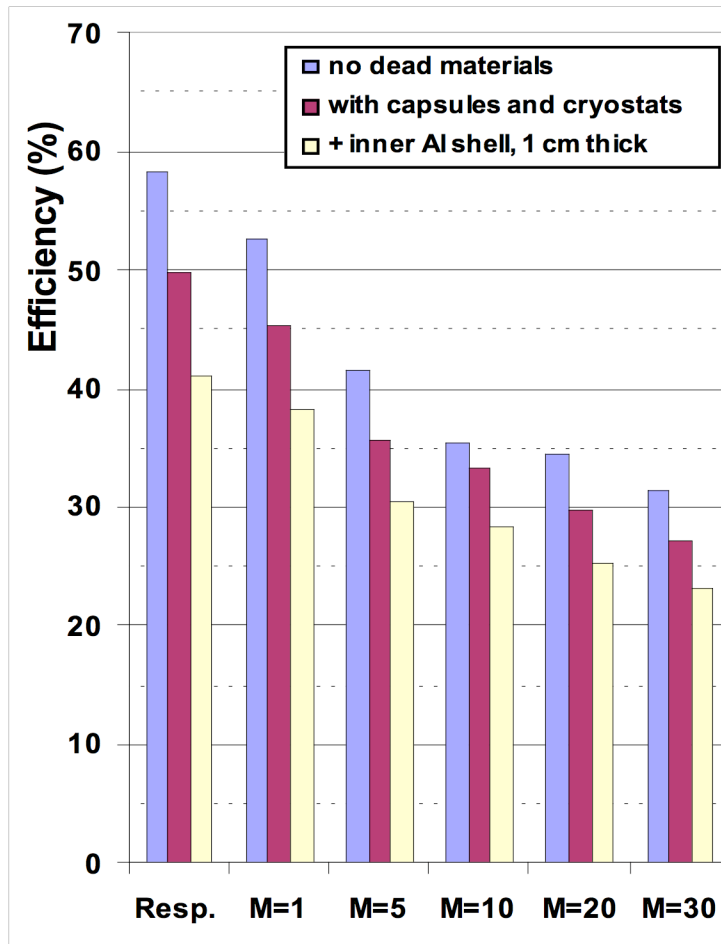
⇒ Large effect on P/T for low gamma multiplicities

⇒ Ph. Eff = -1% /n

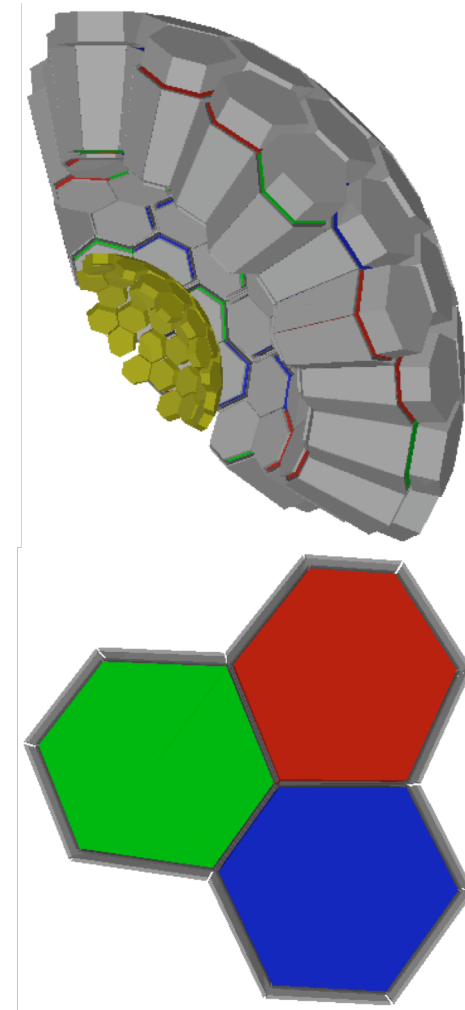
⇒ Can only discriminate n's and γ 's with good timing (can also reduce some background due to inelastic reactions ($n, n'\gamma$) with tracking)

A. Ataç et al. Nucl. Instr. Meth. A 607 (2009) 554

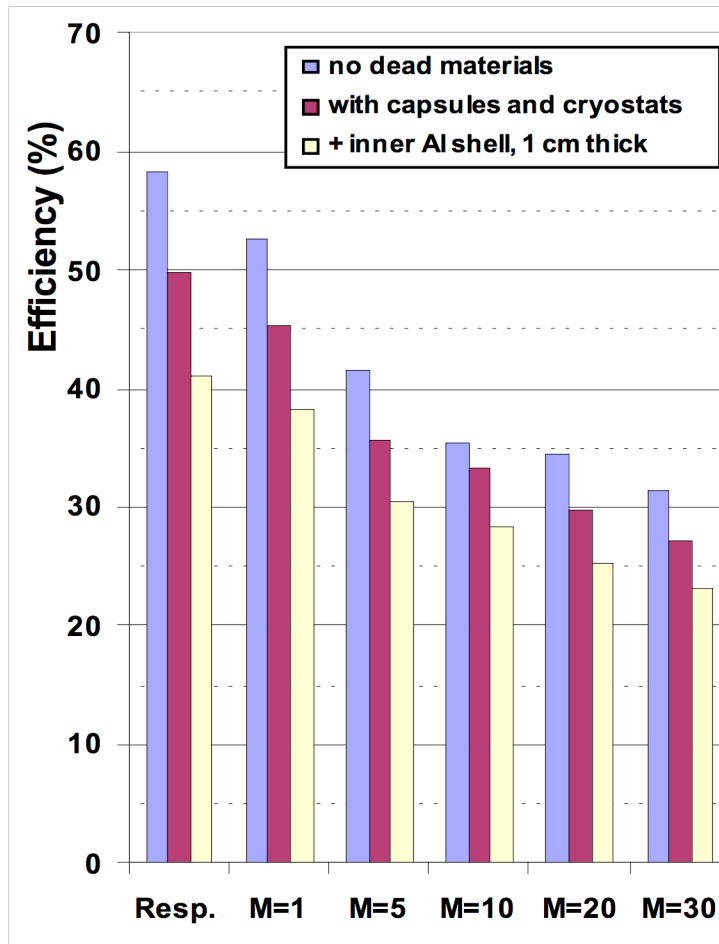
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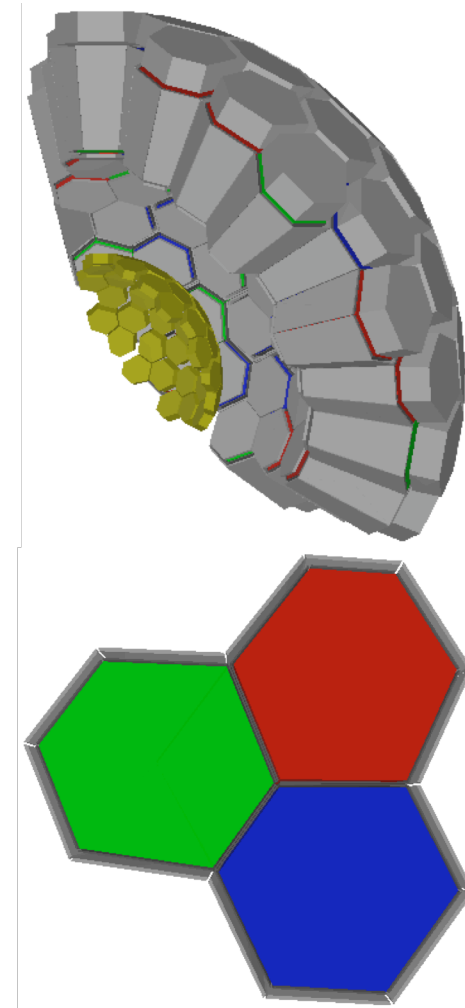
Thickness of	mm
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front	3.0
back	30
Inner "ball"	10



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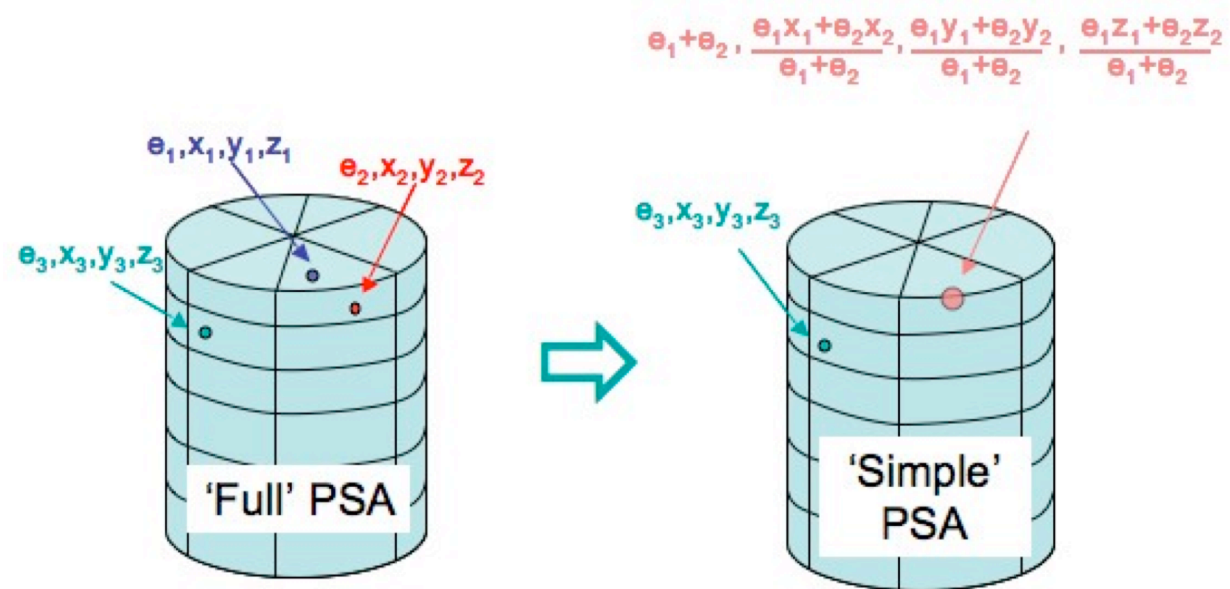


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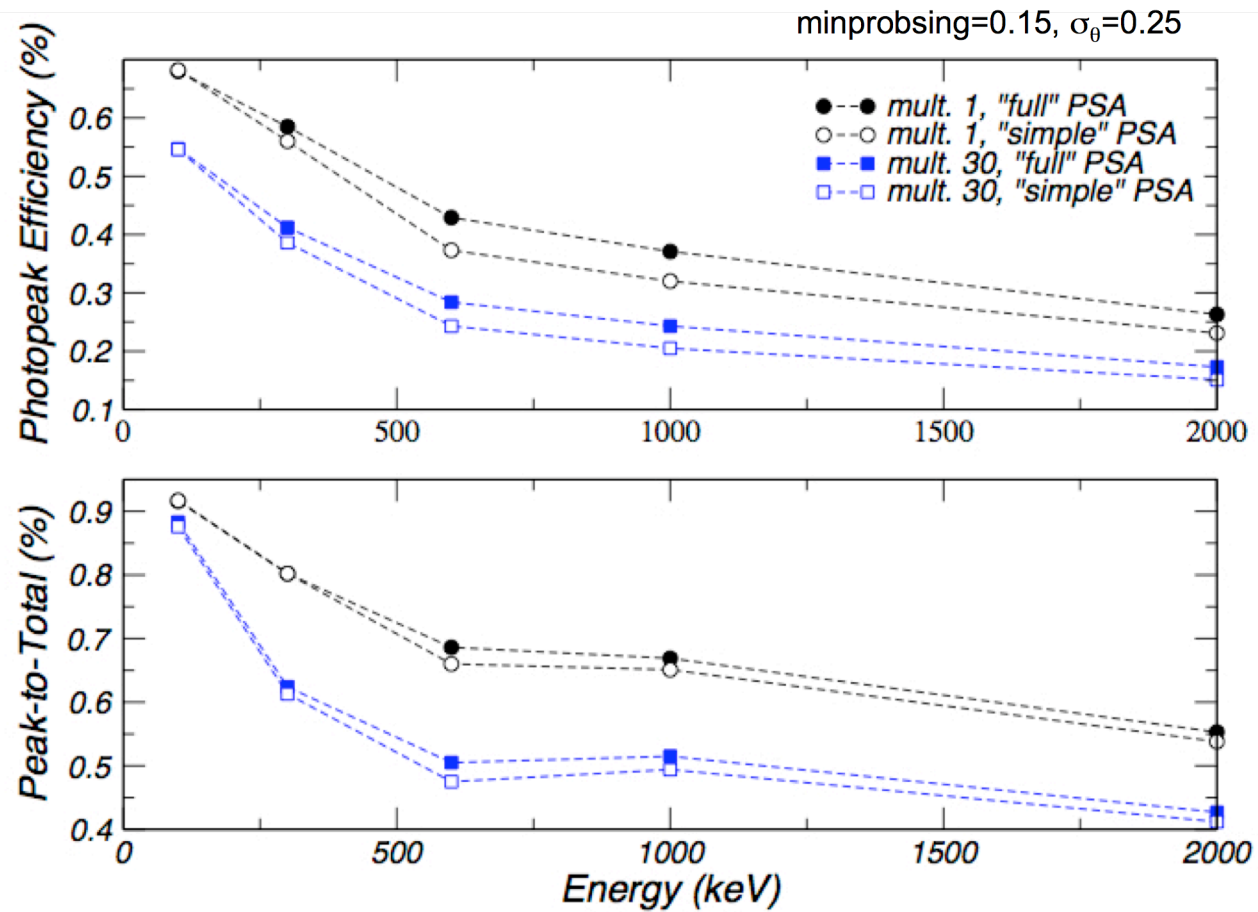


⇒ Careful design of ancillary devices !

Effect of simplified PSA



Effect of simplified PSA



How OFT works ?

- Reads in PSA hits ($e[i], x[i], y[i], z[i], n_{det}[i], n_{seg}[i]$) from a Mgt_Hits or Oft_Hits file: can vary the number of events tracked at a time (mult) and the total number of events (totnumbofgammas)

- Requires energies in MeV and positions in cm:

```
e[ir]=1e-3*e[ir];
```

```
x[ir]=x[ir]/10.;  
y[ir]=y[ir]/10.;  
z[ir]=z[ir]/10.;
```

- Requires the knowledge of the position of the source (from file or hardcoded)

```
xsource  
ysource  
zsource
```

!! The source position is defined wrt to the center of the AGATA shell

- Does NOT need to know the recoil velocity or direction (but it's handy to be able to Doppler correct to check if the experiment is going ok !)

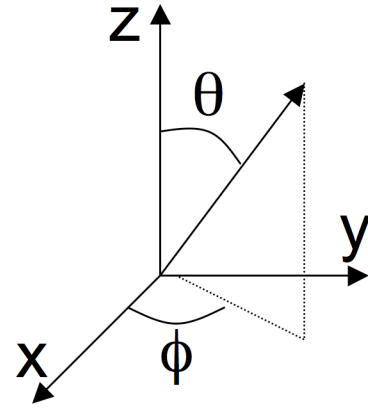
How OFT works ?

- Calculates angles and sorts points according to increasing θ

```
r[i][i] = sqrt(SQ(x[i]-xsource)+SQ(y[i]-ysource)+SQ(z[i]-zsource));
```

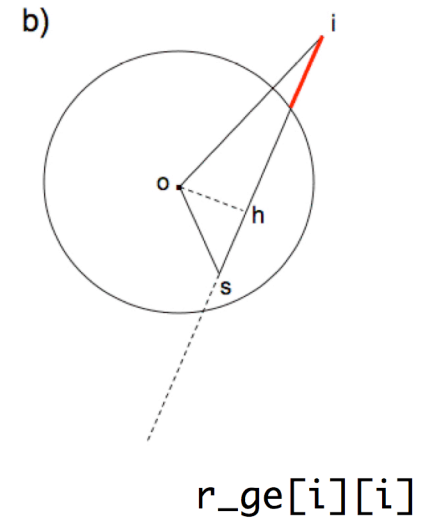
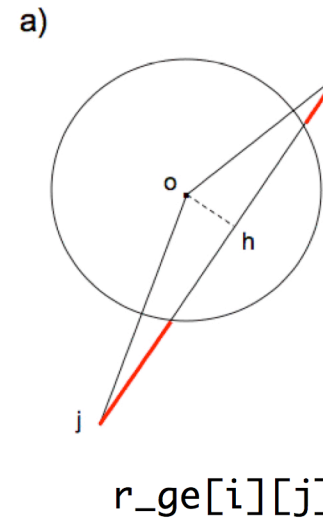
```
angtheta[i] = acos((z[i]-zsource)/r[i][i]);
```

```
angphi[i] = atan2((y[i]-ysource),(x[i]-xsource));
```



- Calculates effective distances in Ge between points and between points and source

!!! assumes spherical geometry around (0,0,0) and no holes in the array



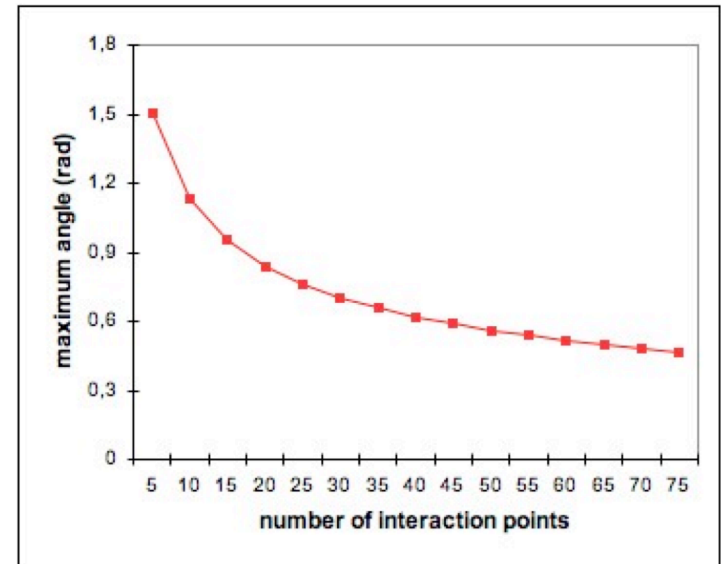
How OFT works ?

- Computes the maximum angular separation α_{\max} between points in a cluster

```
power = pow(((nb_int+2)/3.),0.9);  
alfamax=acos(1-2/power);
```

- Assigns interaction points i and j to the same cluster if:

$$\left| \cos^{-1} \left(\sin \theta_j \sin \theta_i \cos(\varphi_j - \varphi_i) + \cos \theta_i \cos \vartheta_j \right) \right| \leq \alpha$$



- Loops on $\alpha < \alpha_{\max}$ and find n **different** clusters ($\delta\alpha=0.1$ rad)

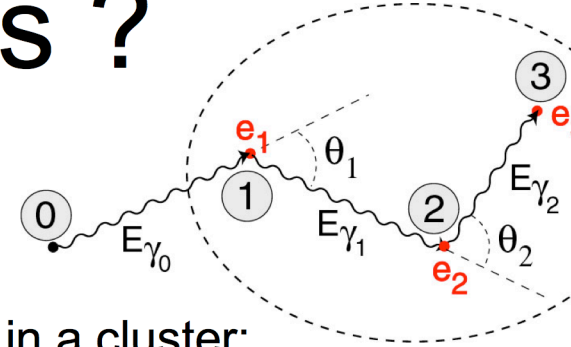
total energy: $et[n]$

number of interactions: $numn[n]$

with the interaction point id's: $sn[n][numn[n]]$

How OFT works ?

-if numn[i]=1, give the cluster the minimal probability
minprobtrack



- Computes the figure of merit for all sequences of points in a cluster:

1) compare scattered energies

source -	i - j - k
'	i - k - j
	k - i - j
	k - j - i
	j - i - k
	j - k - i

escatter = etotale-e[i] and
escattern= etotale/(1+etotale/mc2 (1-costheta))

using the expression

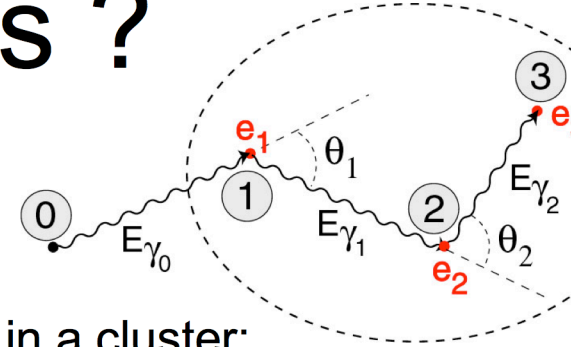
$$\exp(-2 * \text{SQ}(\text{escattern} - \text{escatter}) / (\text{SQ}(\text{deltaescn}) + \text{SQ}(\text{deltaesc})))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{deltaescn} &= \text{SQ}(\text{escattern}) * \text{ercos} / \text{mec}^2; \\ \text{deltaesc} &= \text{sqrt}((\text{numn}[i] + 1) * \text{SQ}(\text{eres})); \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{ercos} = \sigma_{\theta} \sqrt{\left(\frac{\partial \cos \theta_1}{\partial x_0}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial \cos \theta_1}{\partial y_0}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial \cos \theta_1}{\partial z_0}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial \cos \theta_1}{\partial x_1}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial \cos \theta_1}{\partial y_1}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial \cos \theta_1}{\partial z_1}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial \cos \theta_1}{\partial x_2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial \cos \theta_1}{\partial y_2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial \cos \theta_1}{\partial z_2}\right)^2}$$

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σ_{θ} is related to the average position uncertainty in cm

How OFT works ?

2) multiply by the (SQ) of the probability to undergo a Compton interaction at i and the probability to Compton scatter at j (if j is the end of the track test for photoelectric interaction):

```
coef1=sig_compt(etotale)/(sig_abs(etotale)+sig_pair(etotale)+sig_compt(etotale))
coef2=sig_compt(escatter)/(sig_abs(escatter)+sig_pair(escatter)+sig_compt(escatter))
```

3) multiply by the probability for ranges r_ge[i][i] and r_ge[i][j]:

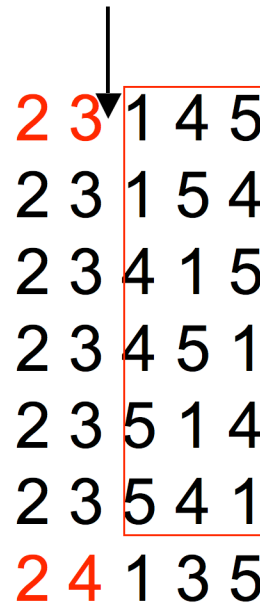
```
lambda1=range_process(sig_compt(etotale))
lambda2=range_process(sig_compt(escatter))
proba(lambda1,r_ge[i][i]) and proba(lambda2,r_ge[i][j])
```

4) skip the rest of a sequence after a bad scattering point

5) the total probability for a sequence is the Nth square root of product of probabilities - where N=(numn[cluster]*2)-1

6) award the cluster n the probability of the best sequence:

```
probtot[n] = mincosdif
```



How OFT works ?

- Clusters are sorted according to their figure of merit (clusters with smaller figure of merit than others and with at least one matching interaction point are flagged)
- Clusters with $\text{numn}[n] > 1$ are accepted or rejected if $\text{probtot}[\text{cluster}] > \text{minprobtrack}$
- Evaluates the figure of merit of the remaining single interaction clusters:

```
distance to closest interaction point > 4 cm  
cross1=sig_abs(et[l])  
cross2=sig_abs(et[i1])+sig_compt(et[l])+sig_pair(et[l]);  
lambda=range_process(cross2);  
probtot = sqrt(proba(lambda,r_ge[sn[l]][0][sn[l]][0]))*cross1/cross2;
```

- Accepts cluster if $\text{probcomp} > \text{minprobsing}$

How OFT works ?

key parameters:

`sigma_thet`, `minprobsing` (and to lesser extent `minprobtrack`)

can switch off single interactions with

`nodirect=1`

can switch off pair production events with

`nopair=1`

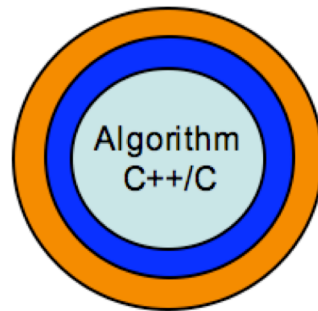
source position and recoil velocity information read in from
OFTinput file

output spectra/statistics to a Root file and some spectra
are also written to a Radware.sec file

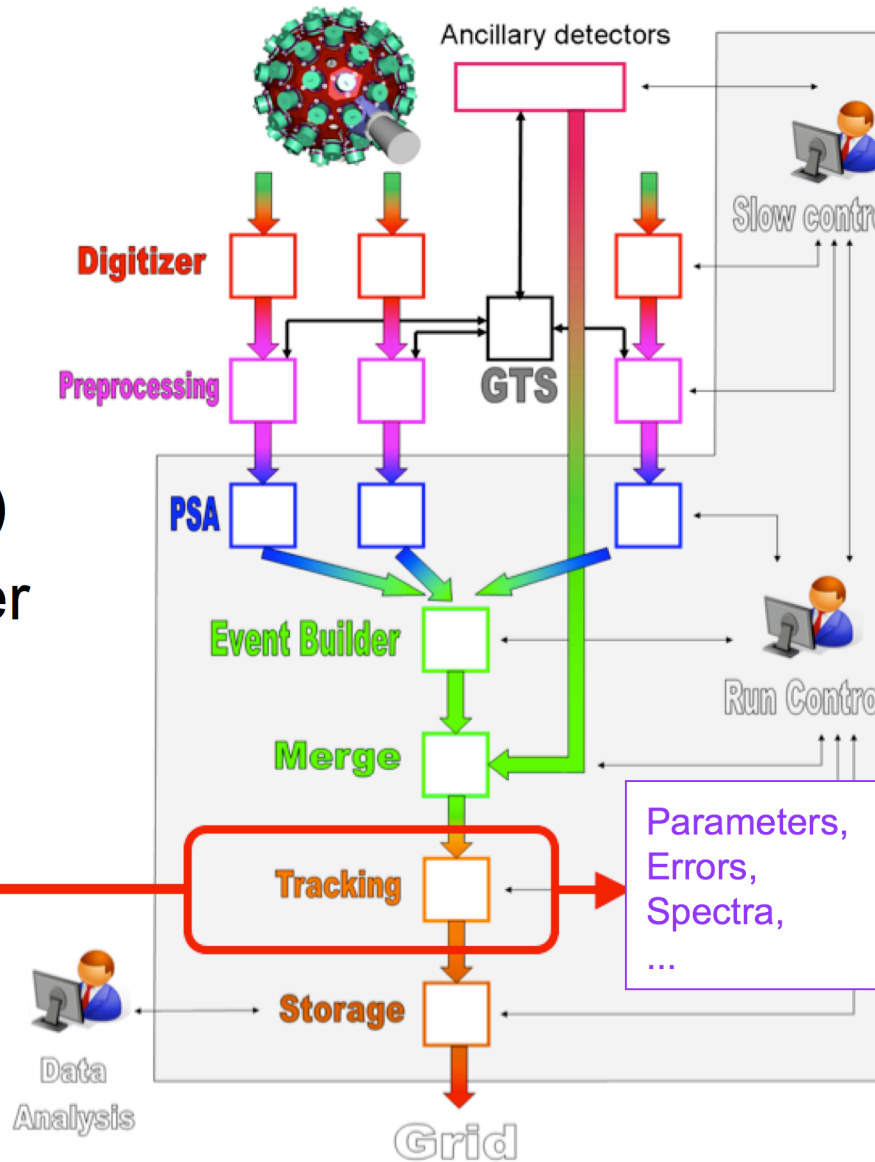
How is tracking done on-line

Tracking = Actor in Narval
Actor type = Filter

Tracking libraries (such as OFT)
are called from the TrackingFilter
« mother » class



Narval interface
ADF interface



Organization of TrackingFilter

The TrackingFilter « mother » class

- defines what type of data is tracked
- opens and reads configuration and setup files and **initializes variables**
- gets Event-built and merged data from the data flow
- decodes PSA data
- **can write PSA data to an Agata-type file**
- performs some preprocessing (geometrical transformations)
- **processes the events (for OFT, this is defined in the « daughter » class: TrackingFilterOFT)**
- performs some postprocessing (Doppler correction)
- can write tracked data to file
- puts the tracked data (currently the positions and energies of the 1st 2 interaction points in each track) into the data flow

The TrackingFilter also return errors and message logs and it can transmit parameters and spectra to be monitored

OFT Tracking

the `process()` function fills the appropriate local data structures with the PSA data structure (`FillOFTStructures()`), processes the data (`process_event()`) and then moves the OFT data to the tracked data structure (`MoveOFTStructures()`)

`process_event`: computes distances and angles between points and source, sorts positions according to increasing θ , computes all distance between points and calls the following functions:

- `cluster_search`: find the clusters (with a maximum of `kmax` points) for a given opening angle α , with $\alpha = \alpha_{\min} + \delta\alpha$ up to $\alpha_{\max} = f(\text{number of interaction points nb_int})$
- `cluster_evaluation`: using the Compton scattering formula, compute the figure of merit for each sequence of points in every cluster and determine the best sequence of points in each cluster. The comparison between geometrical angles and energy angles depends on the position uncertainties through `sigma_thet`
- `cluster_sort_flag`: sort the clusters according to the figure of merit and flags clusters, which have common points with better clusters
- `cluster_validation`: accept clusters if figure of merit > `minprobtrack`
- `! single_interaction`: single interaction point clusters are treated last. They must be isolated (distance to closest point > 4cm) and the square root of the product of the depth and interaction probabilities must be > `minprobsing`

`process_event` returns tracked multiplicity (`mult`), total energy of track (`etot`), 1st (`xfirst,yfirst,zfirst`) and 2nd (`xsecond,ysecond,zsecond`) positions in track, number of points in track (`nbtot`) and figure of merit of track (`probtot`)

Practical (1)

GSI source data (from N. Lalovic)

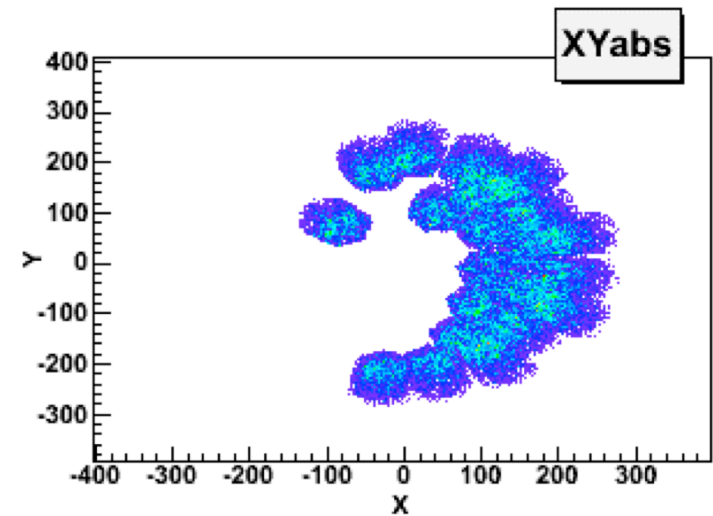
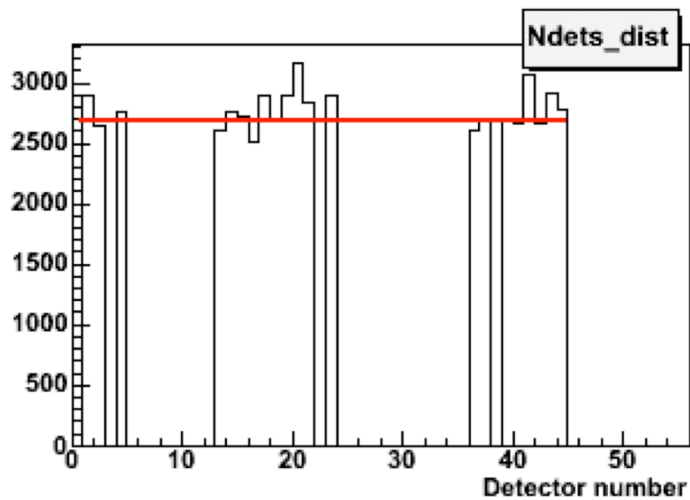
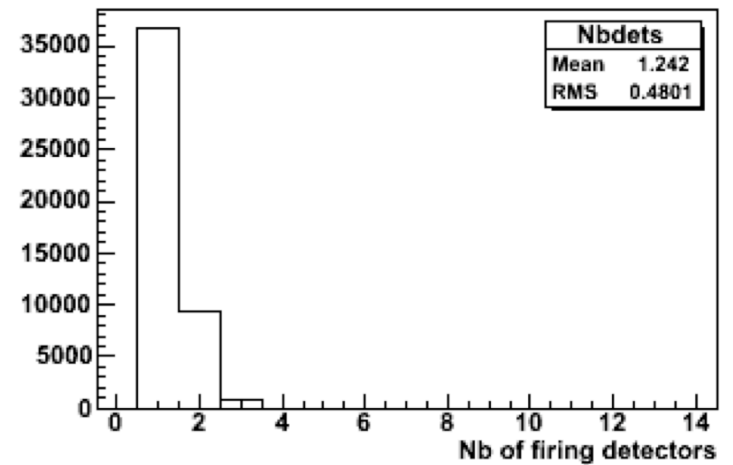
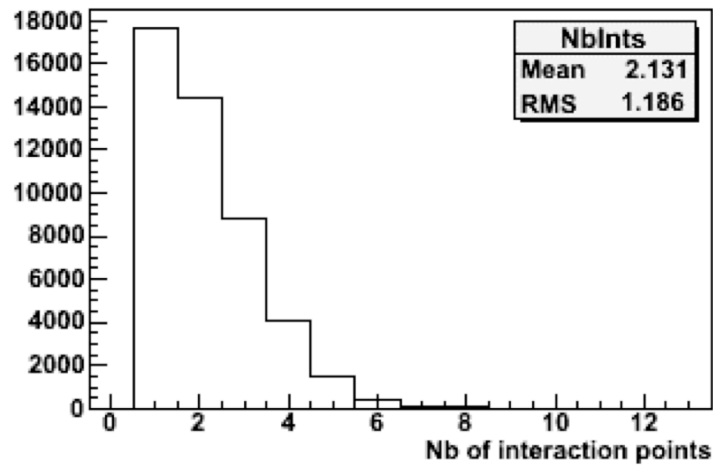
21 Agata detectors + 1 Euroball detector

^{60}Co , source = (0,0,0)

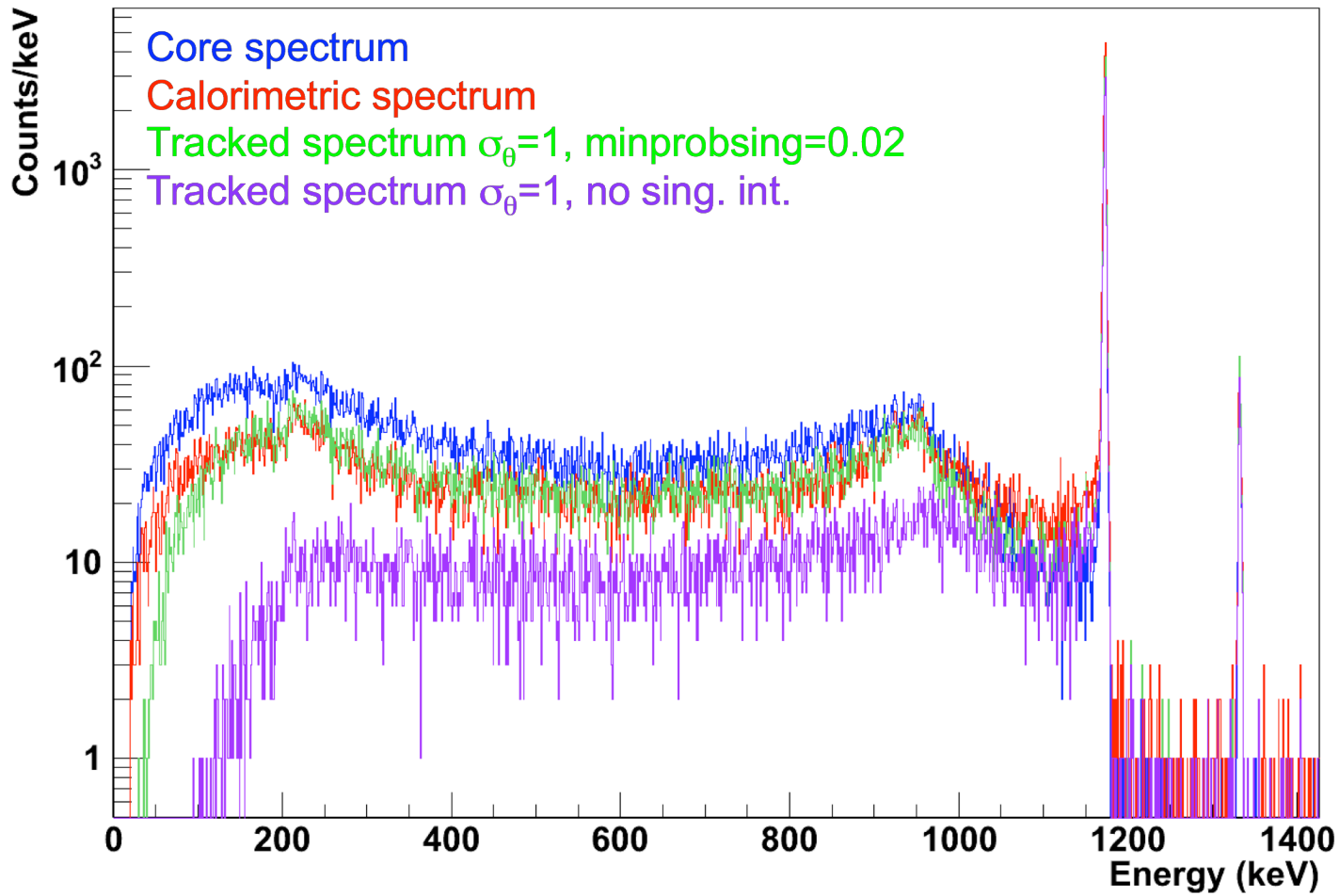
data written to Mgt_Hits file if presence
of the 1332 keV line in the Euroball detector

NB: you probably need to increase your stack size
to run forward (ulimit -s 32000)

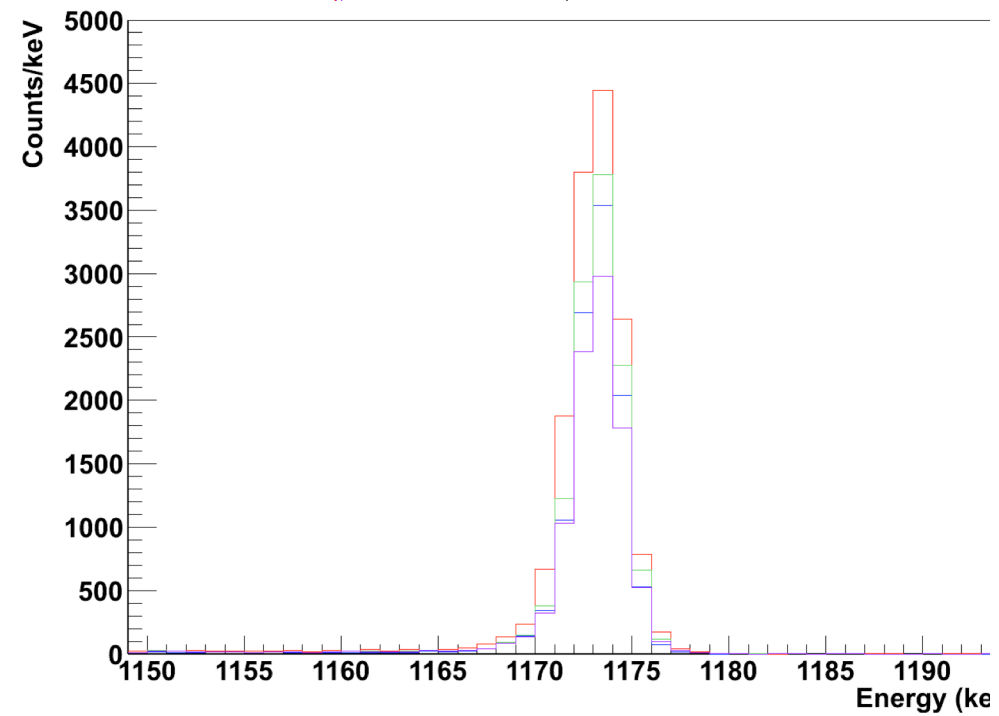
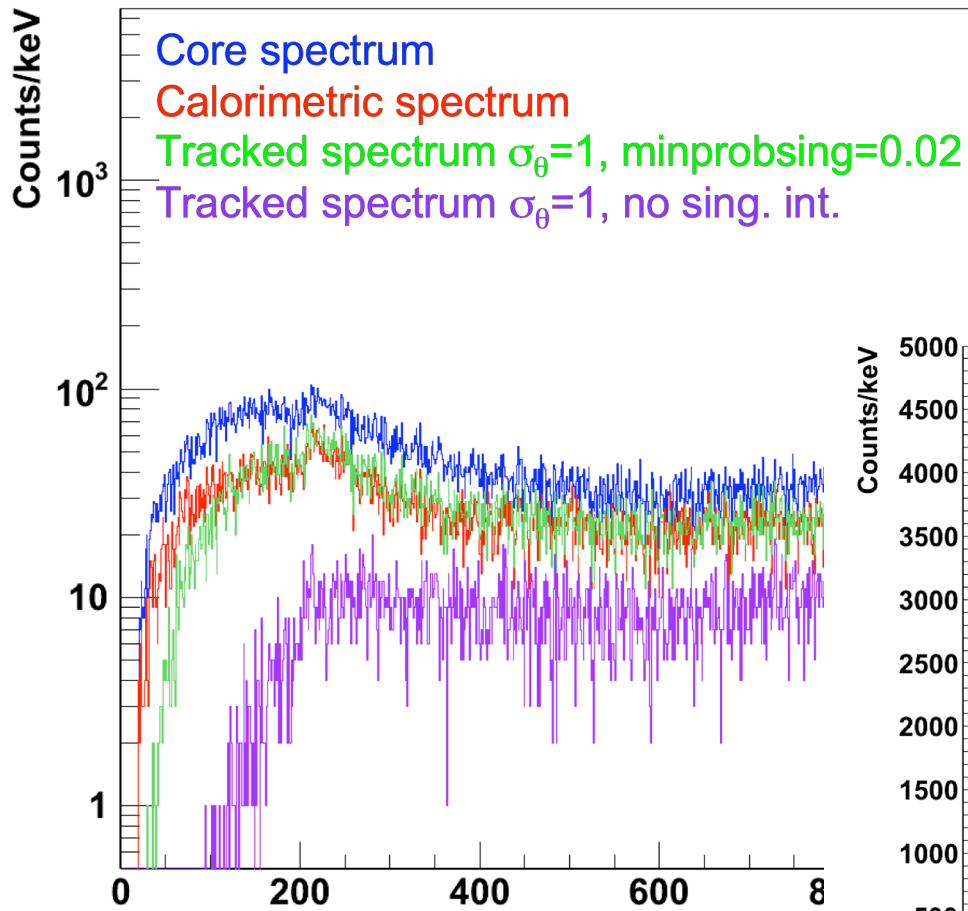
Statistics



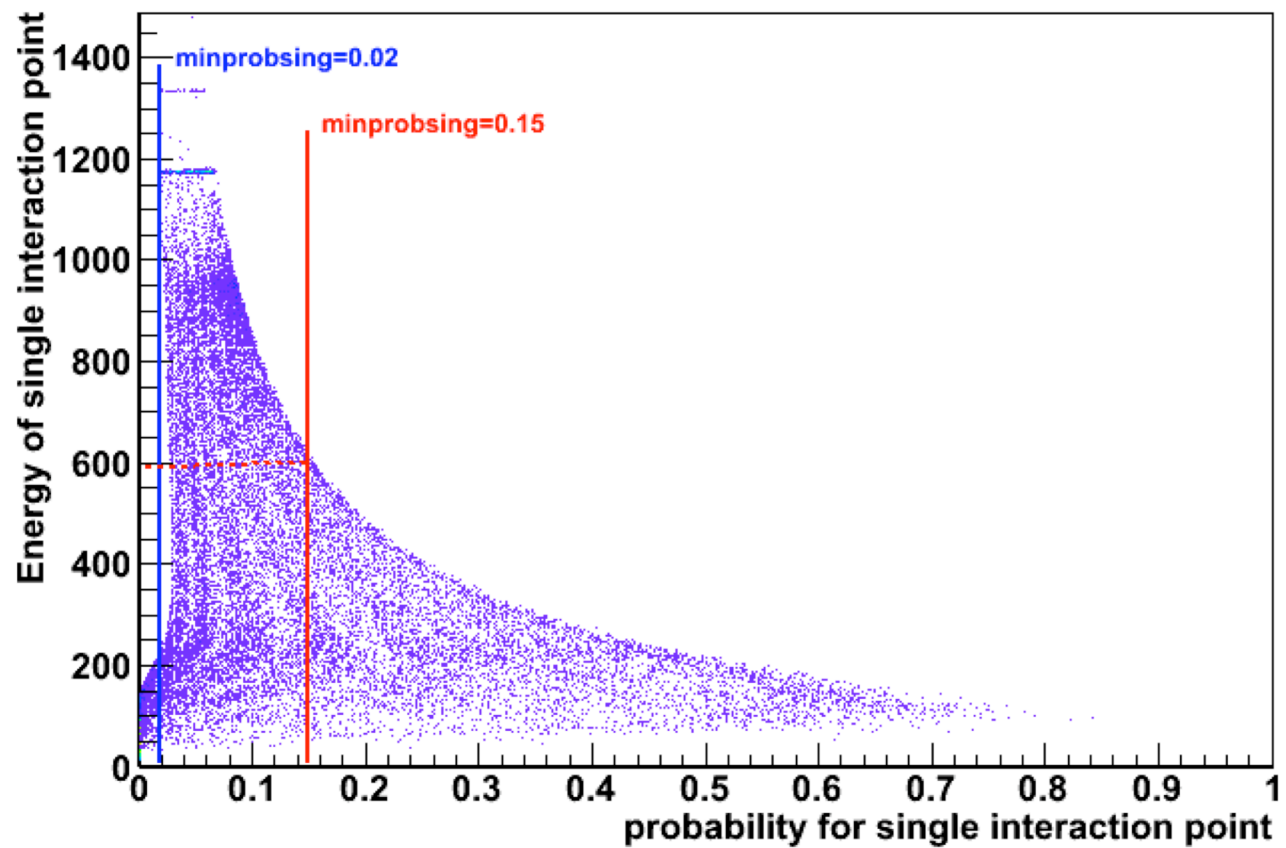
Spectra



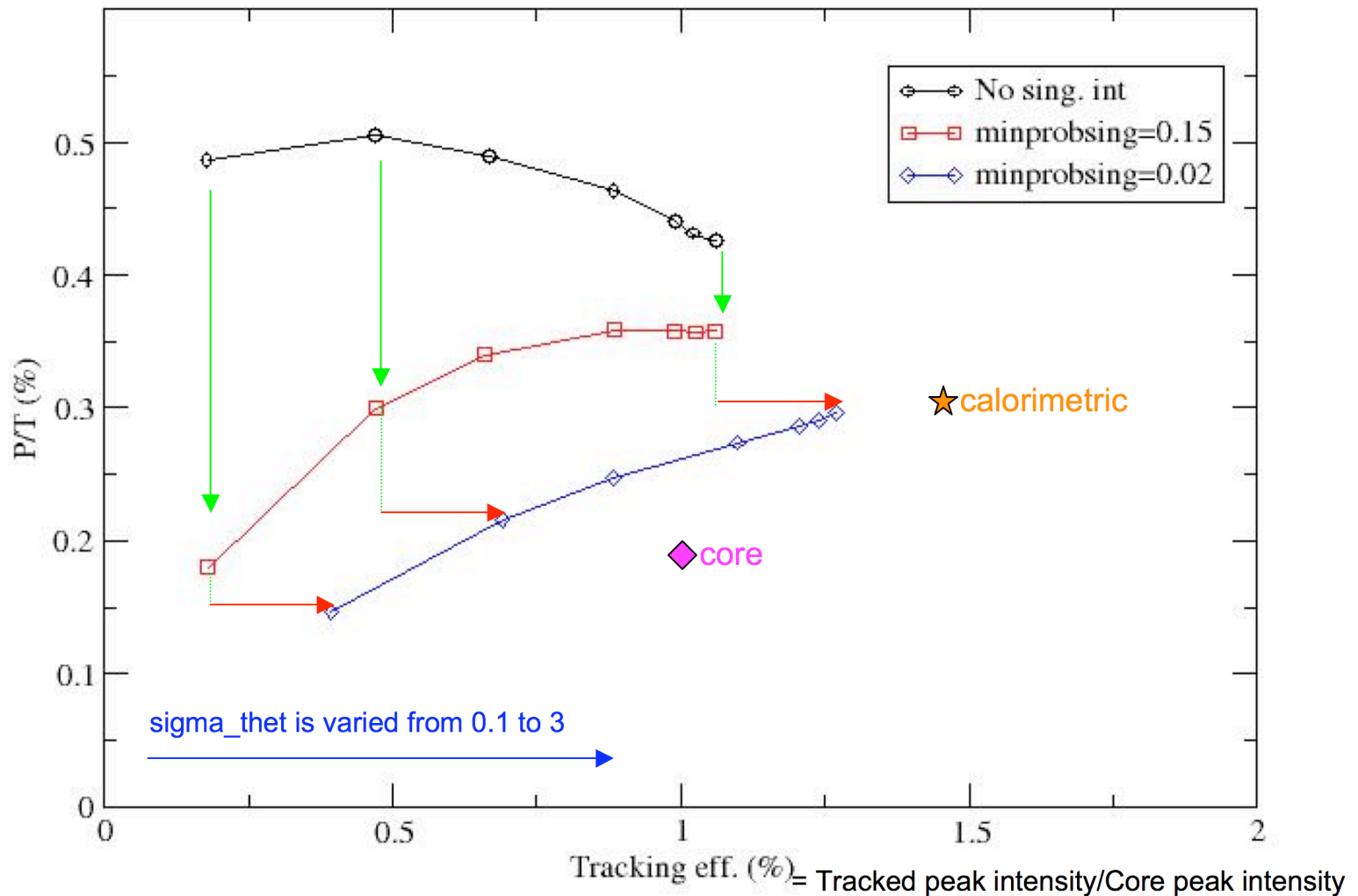
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Tuning single interactions

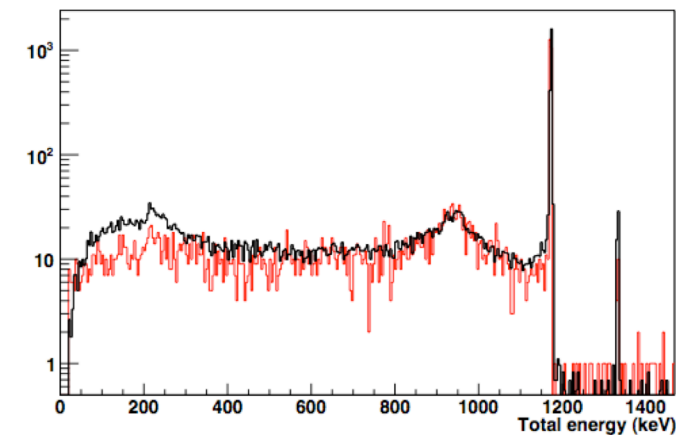
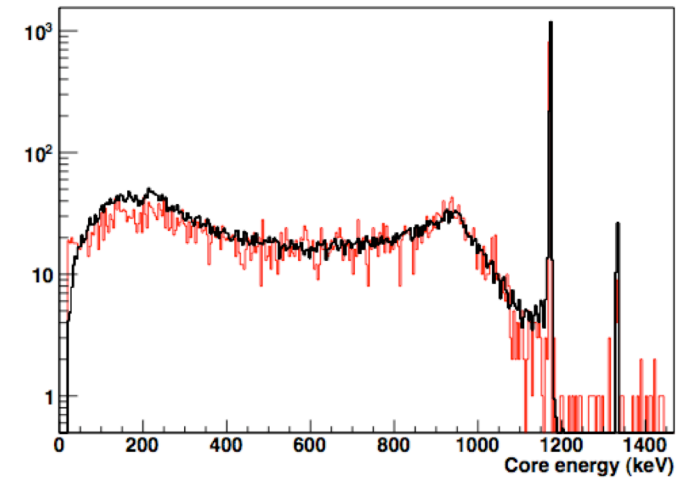
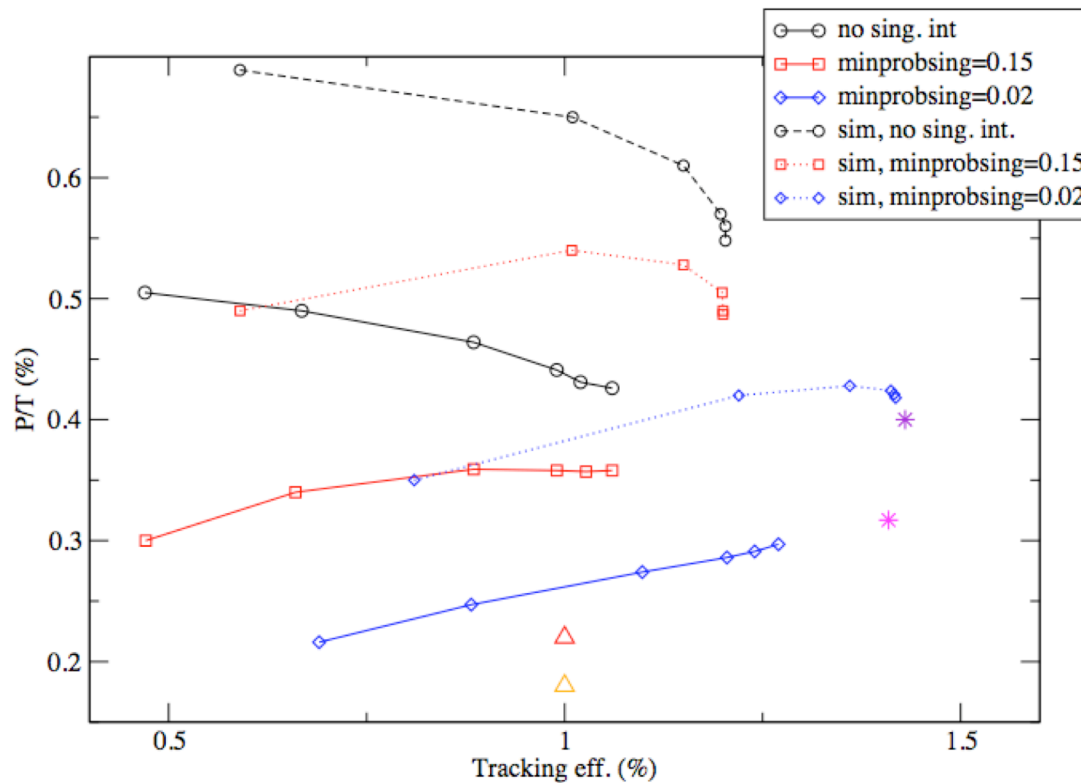


Results



- ★ increase in background by including the single interactions
- ★ gain in efficiency by extending the energy range of the single interactions

Comparison to simulations (J. Ljungvall)



There is still an unknown source of backscattering, which is responsible for the worse experimental P/T !

Practical (2)

Legnaro source data (from C. Michelagnoli)

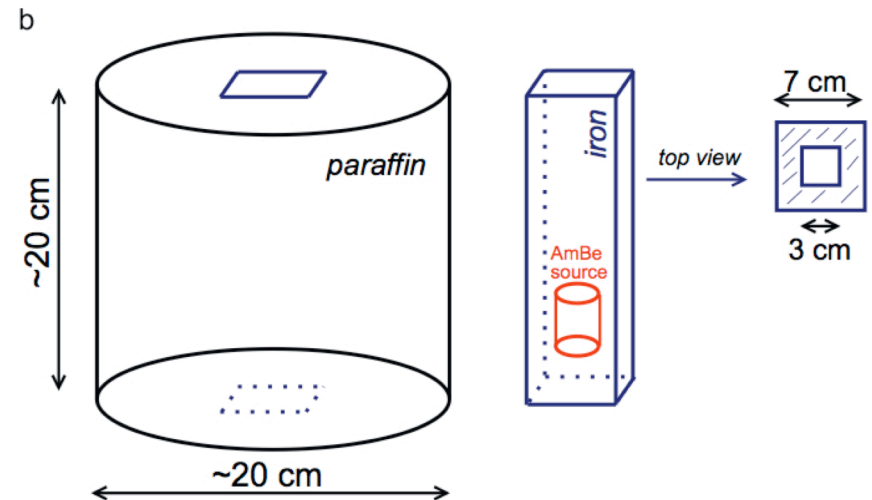
Agata demonstrator (4 triple clusters)

AmBe(Fe) high energy gamma-ray source

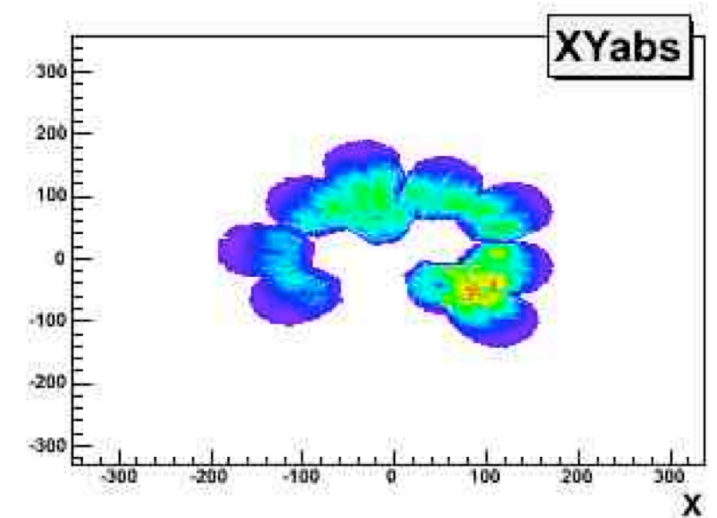
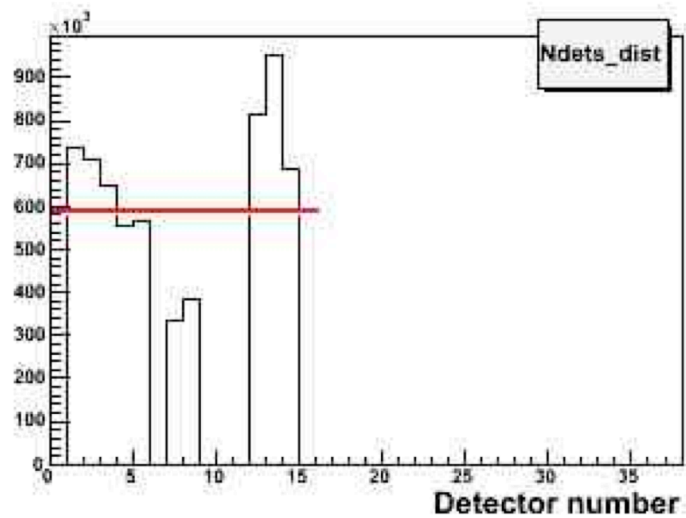
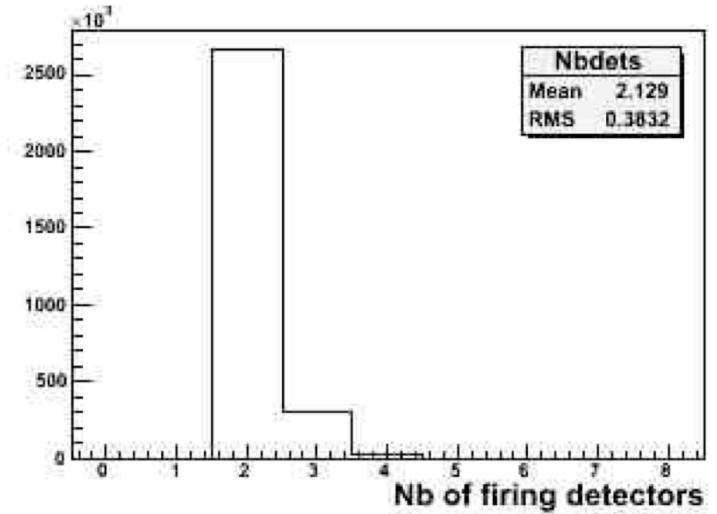
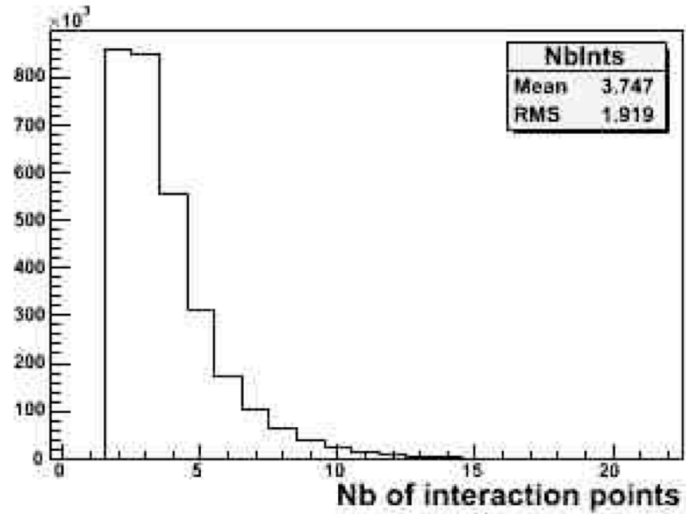
source=(0,0,+5 cm)

(!! the x pos. of the source is actually lower)

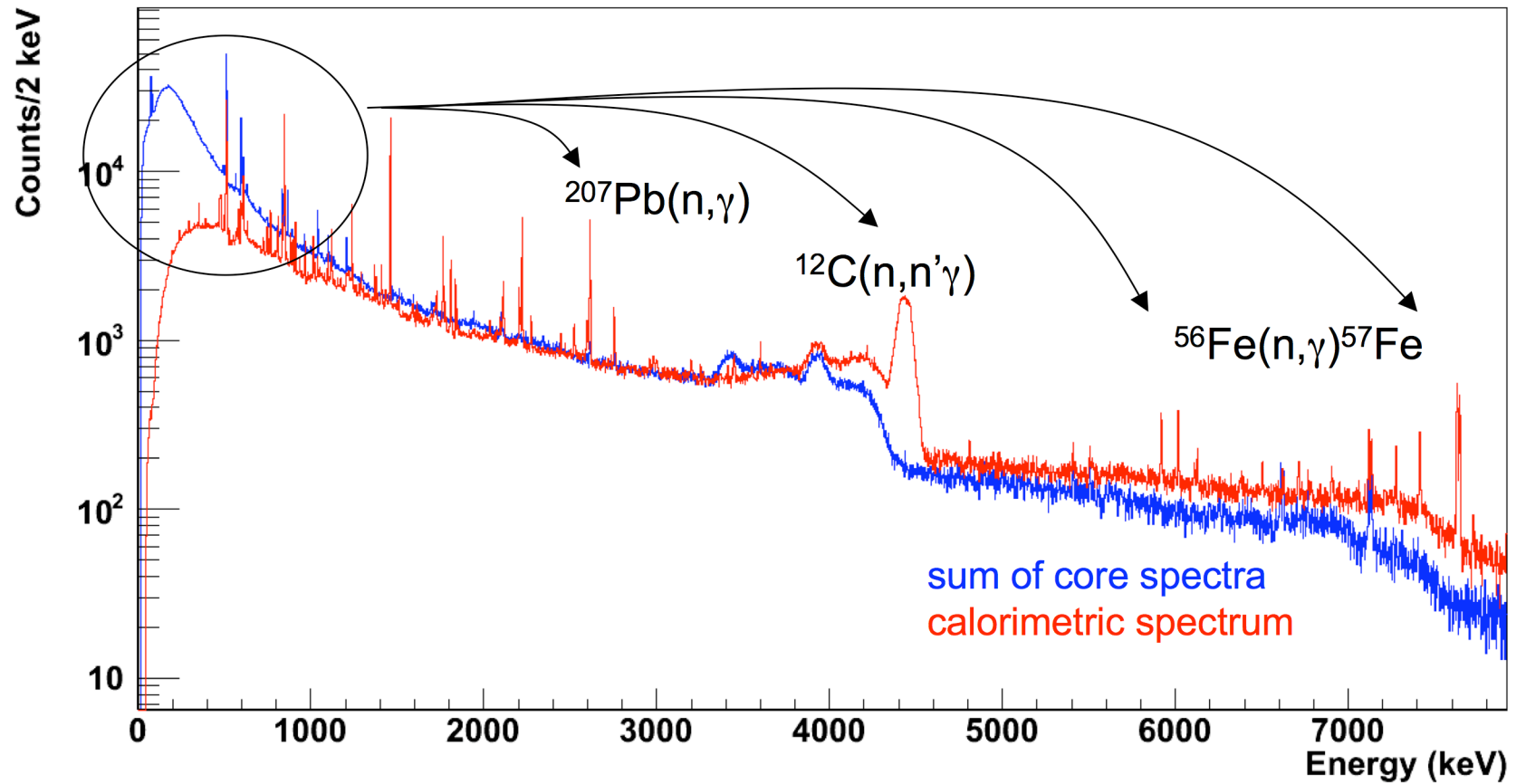
↓
might have some effect on the performance of OFT



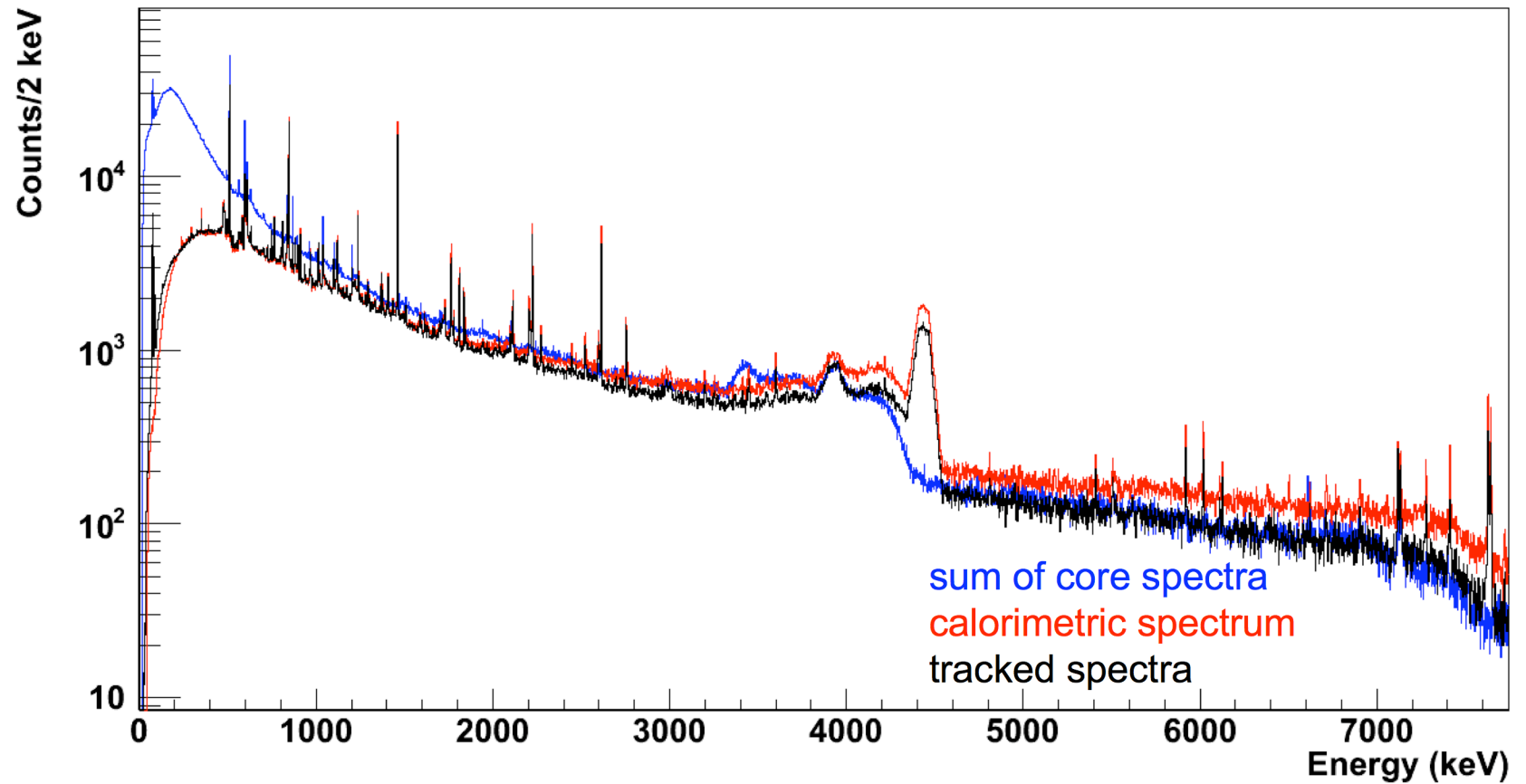
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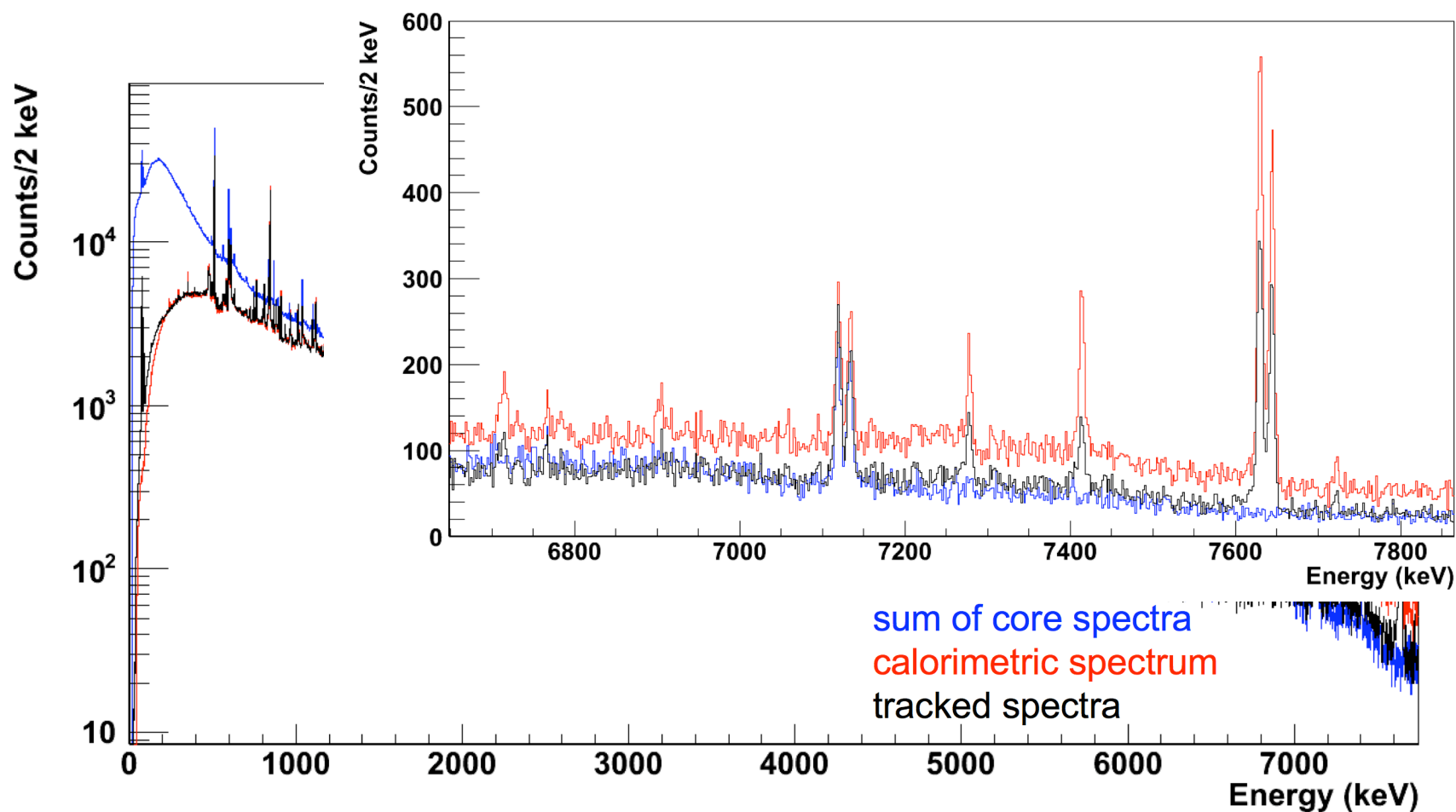
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Tracking at high energy

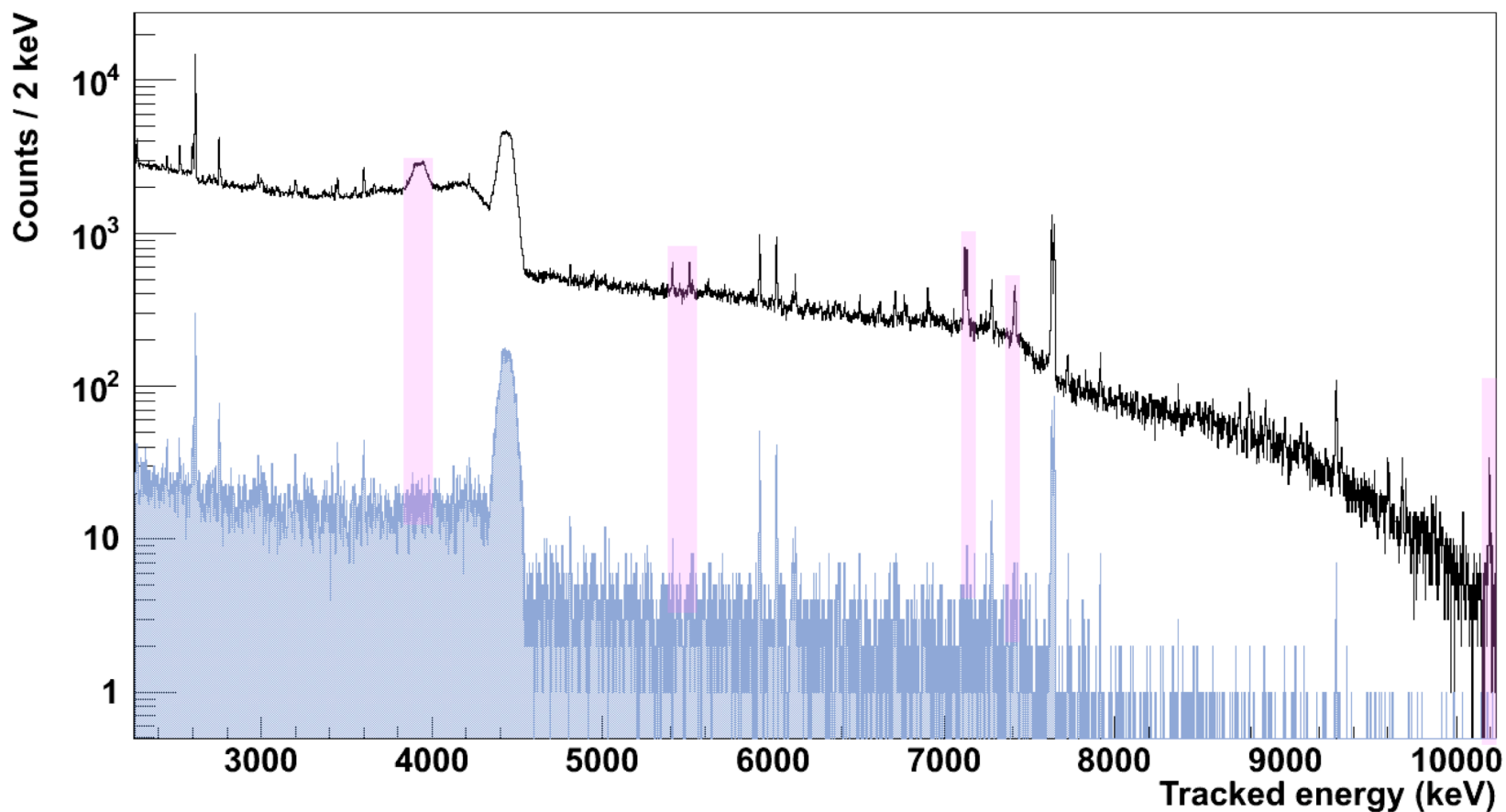


Tracking at high energy



$\sigma_{\theta}=3.0$, minprobsing=0.02, source=(20,0,5) => ~ background is divided by 2
tracking eff. wrt calorimetric peak = ~70%

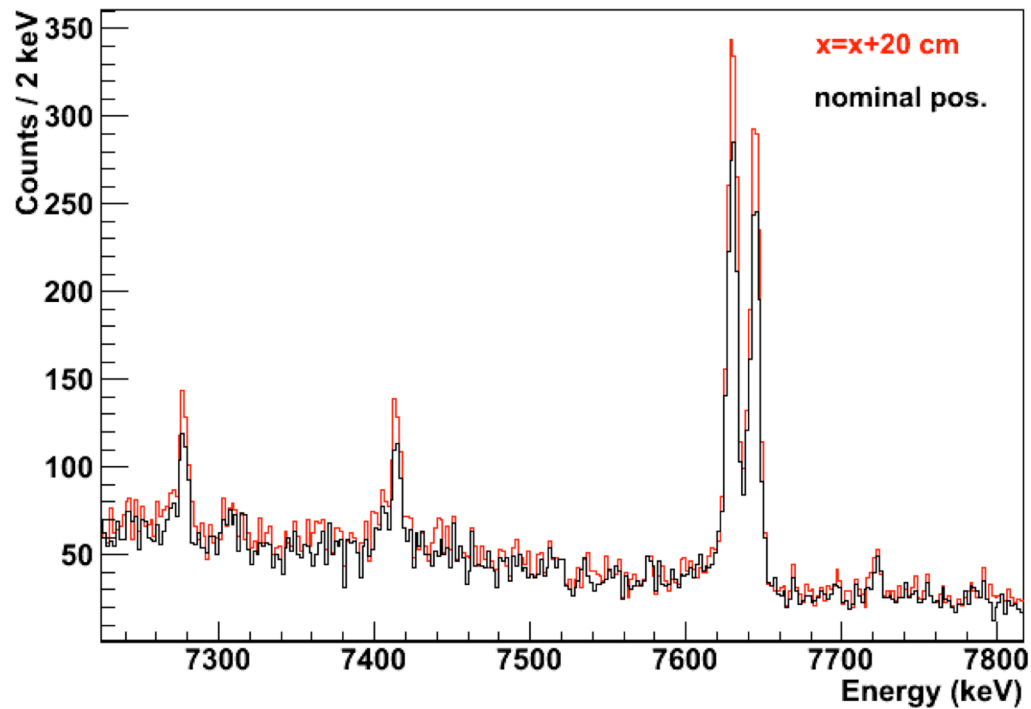
Compton vs Pair production



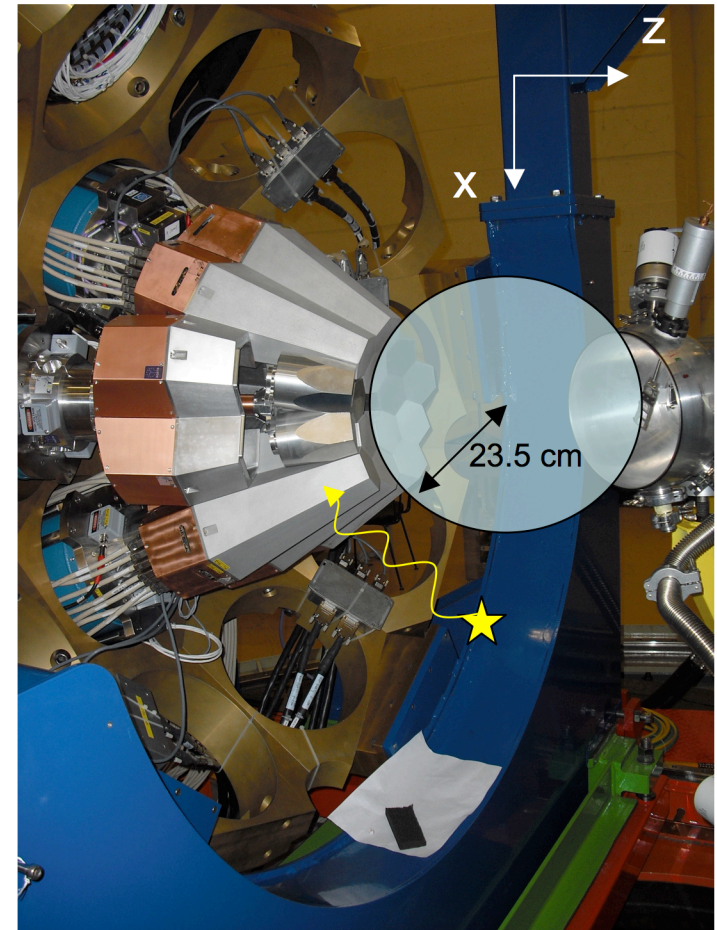
★ at 7.6 MeV, reconstruction of pair-production events contributes to ~6% of the total photopeak eff. => Compton dominates !

★ Algorithm can recognize escape and pileup peaks

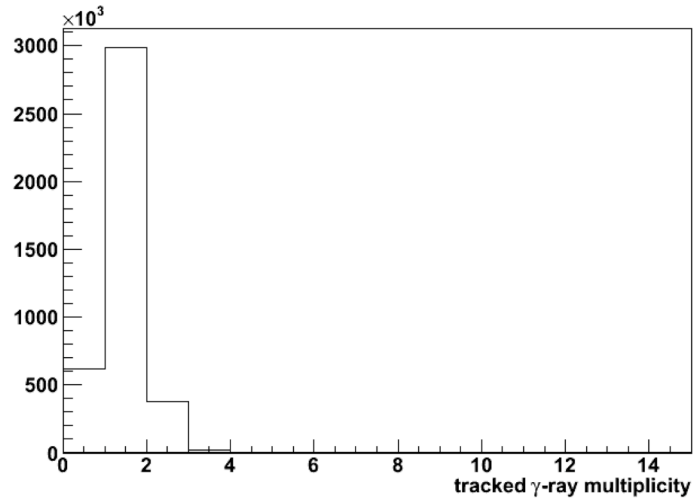
Position dependence....



source was probably lower - but issue with $r_{ge}[i][j]$ & $r_{ge}[i][i]$ calculations if the source is outside the inner radius of the shell

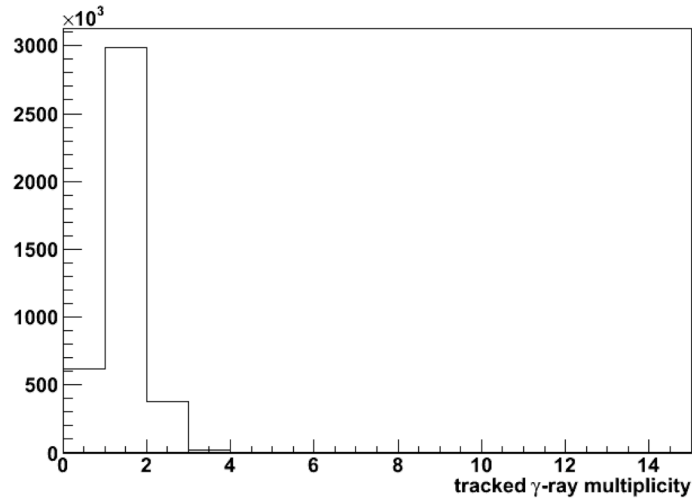


Calorimetric vs tracking



- multiplicity 1 events
 \Rightarrow can sum everything in the array

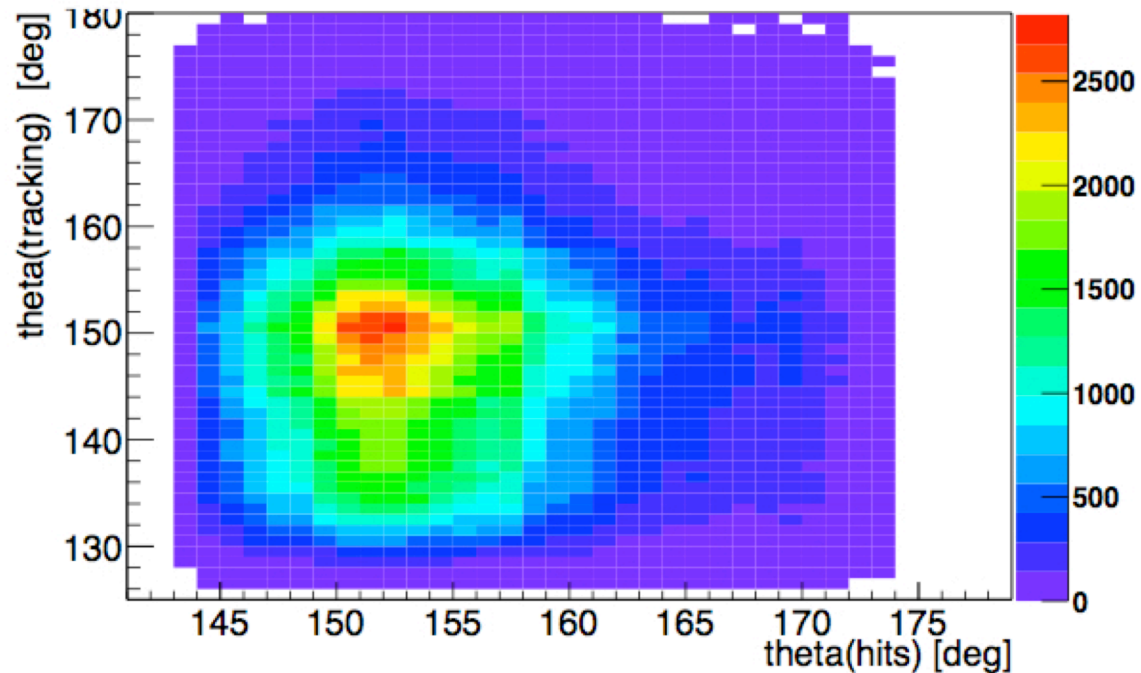
Calorimetric vs tracking



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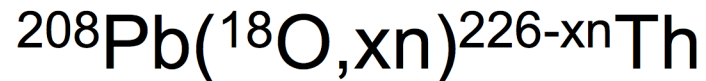
C.Michelagnoli, PhD

- efficiency vs energy resolution in-beam....



Practical (3)

Fusion-evaporation reaction (from D. Mengoni)



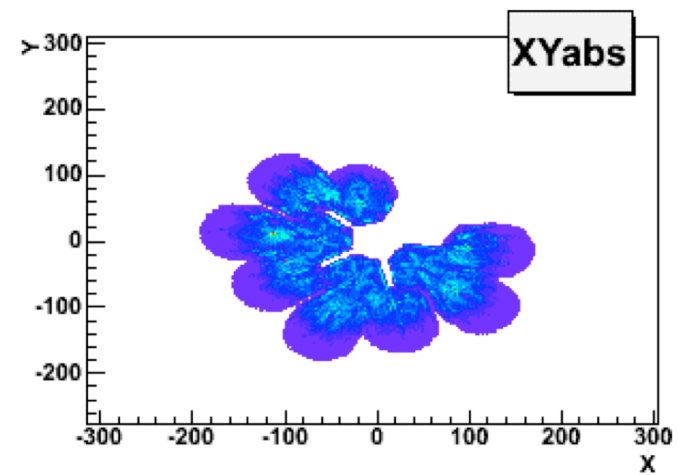
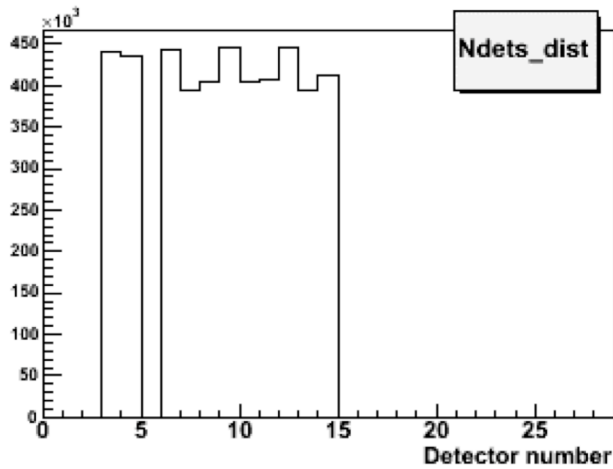
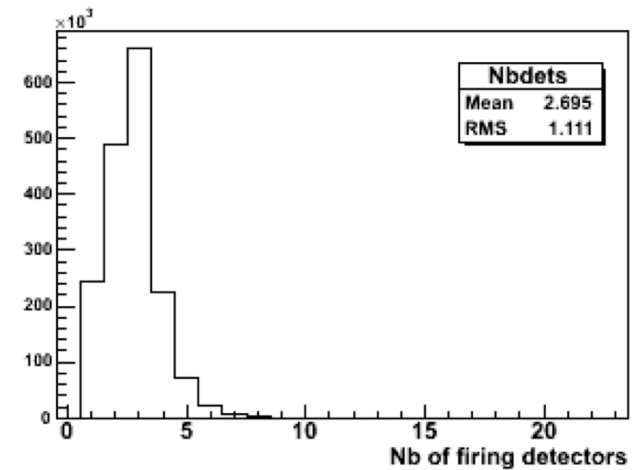
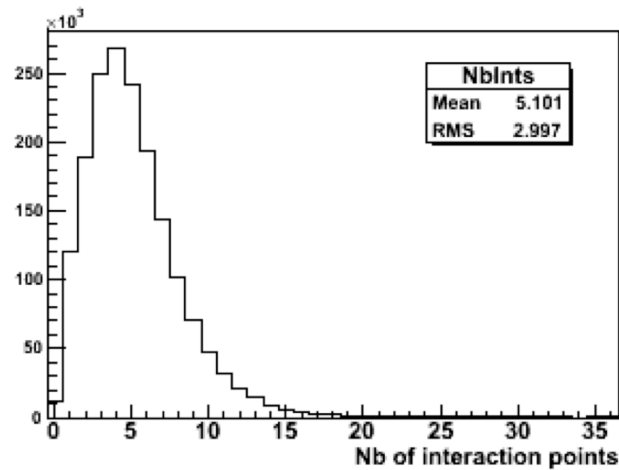
4 AGATA triple clusters

source=(0,0,-9.5cm)

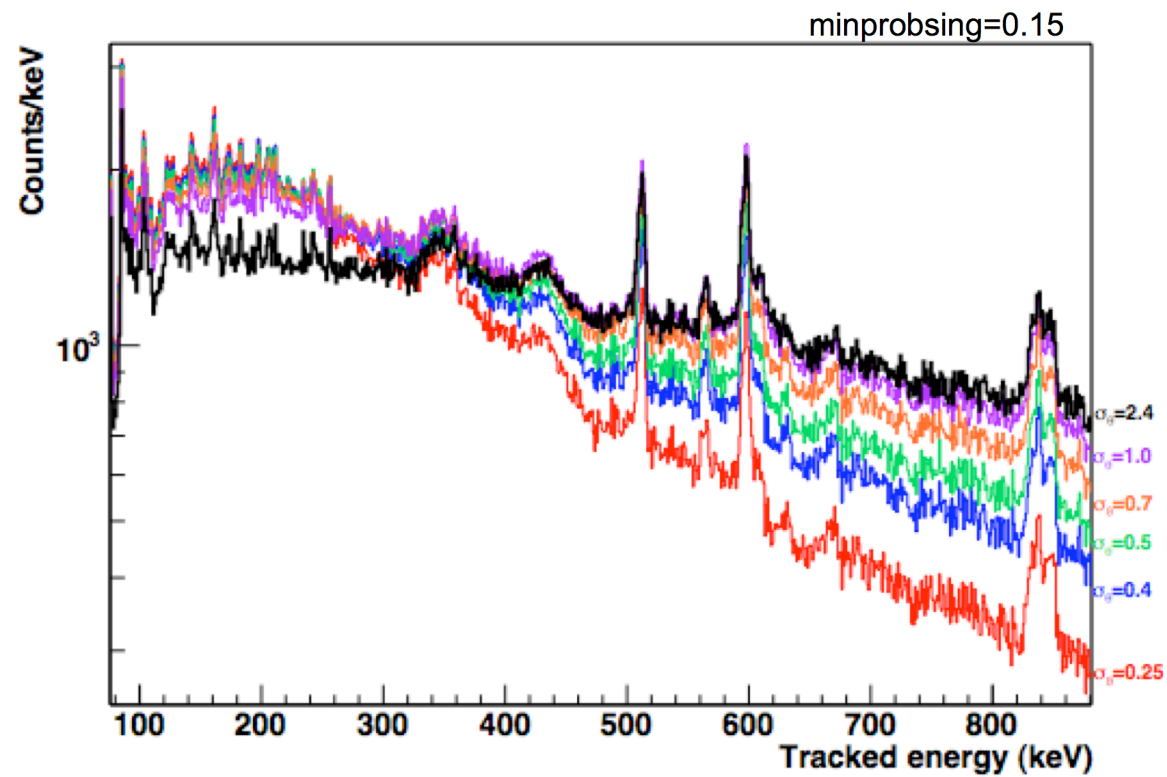
recoil direction= (0,1,0)

v/c=0.01

Statistics

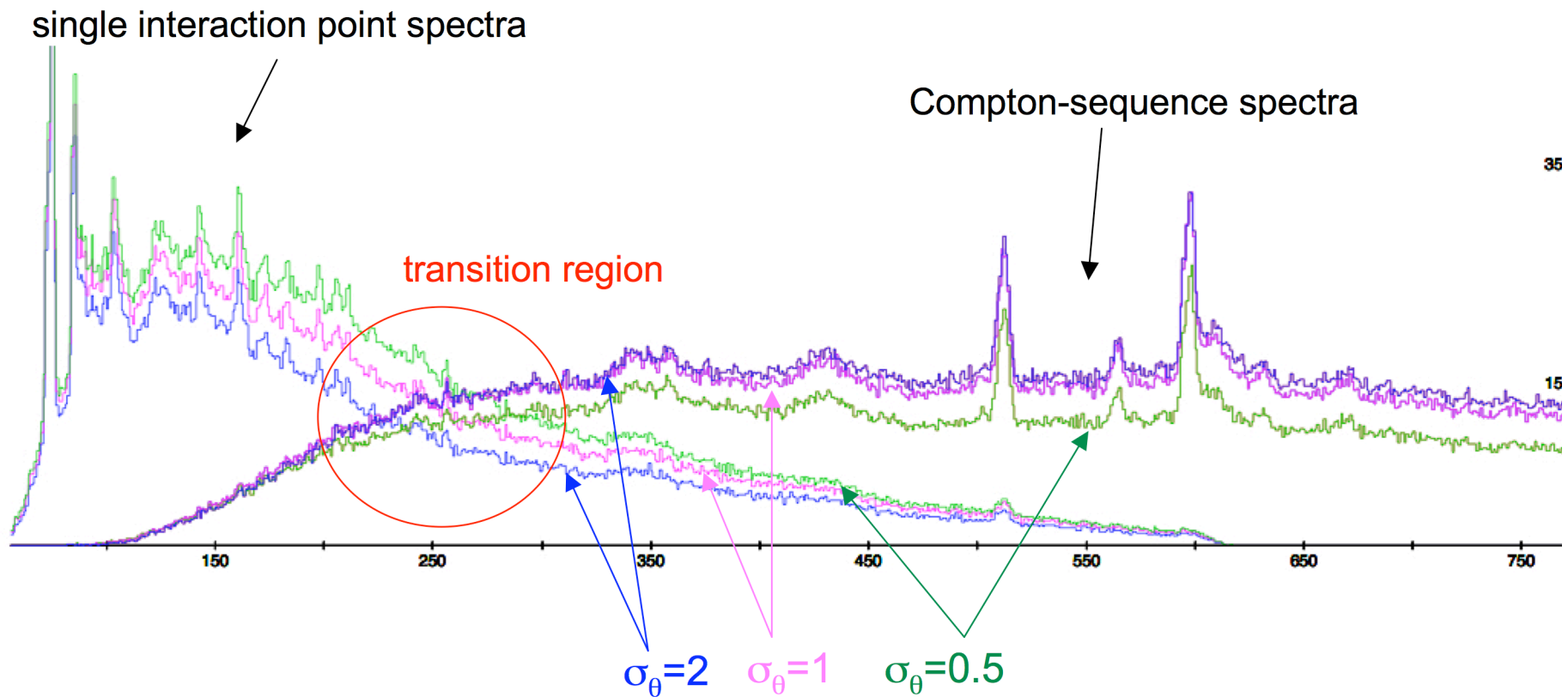


Spectra

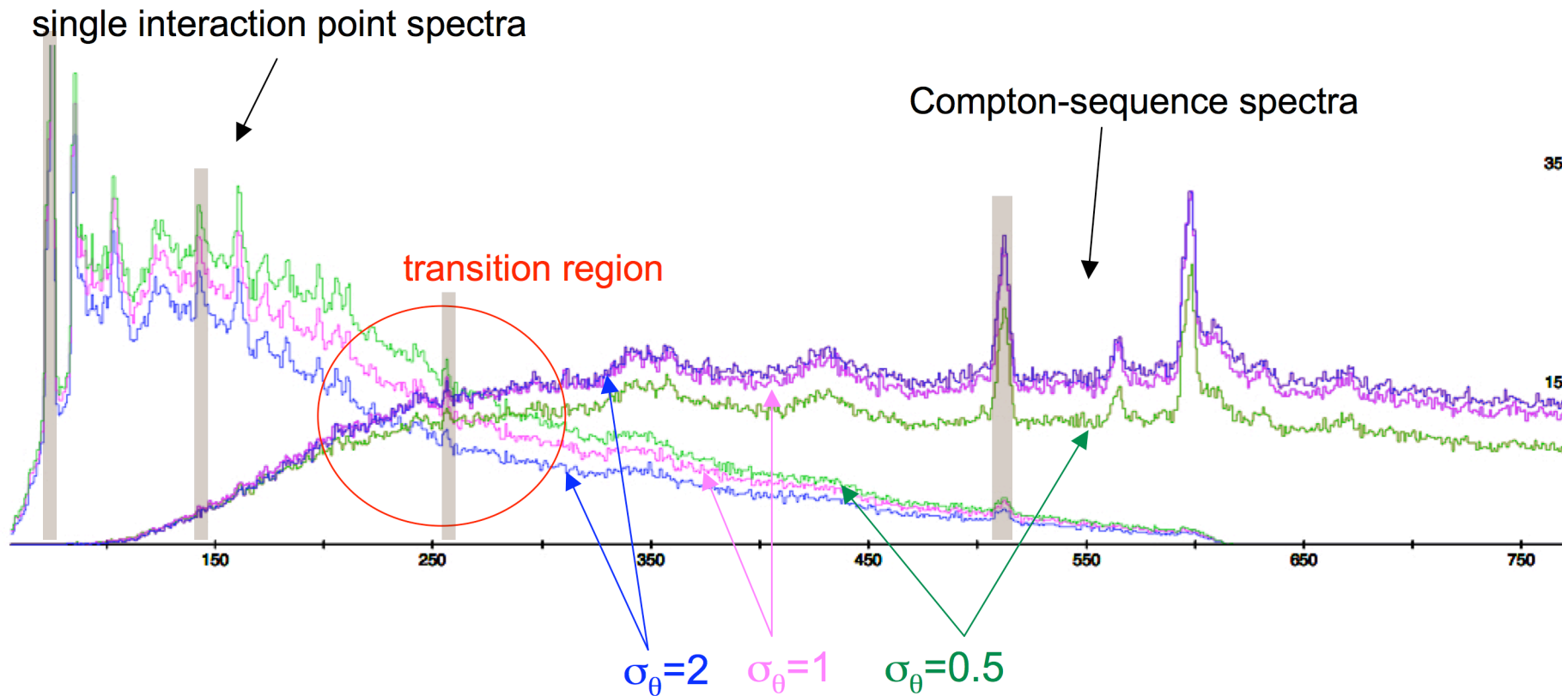


The ratio low/high energy of the spectrum changes !

Balancing Compton sequences and single interaction points in the same event

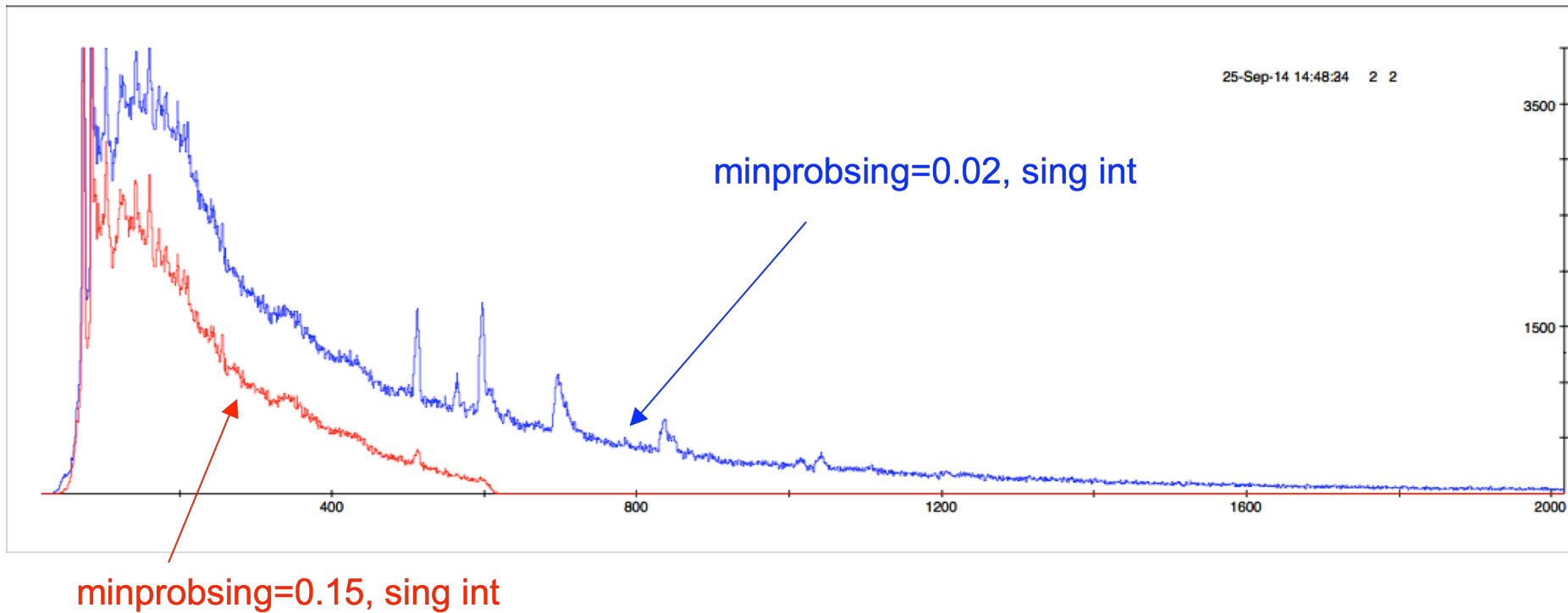


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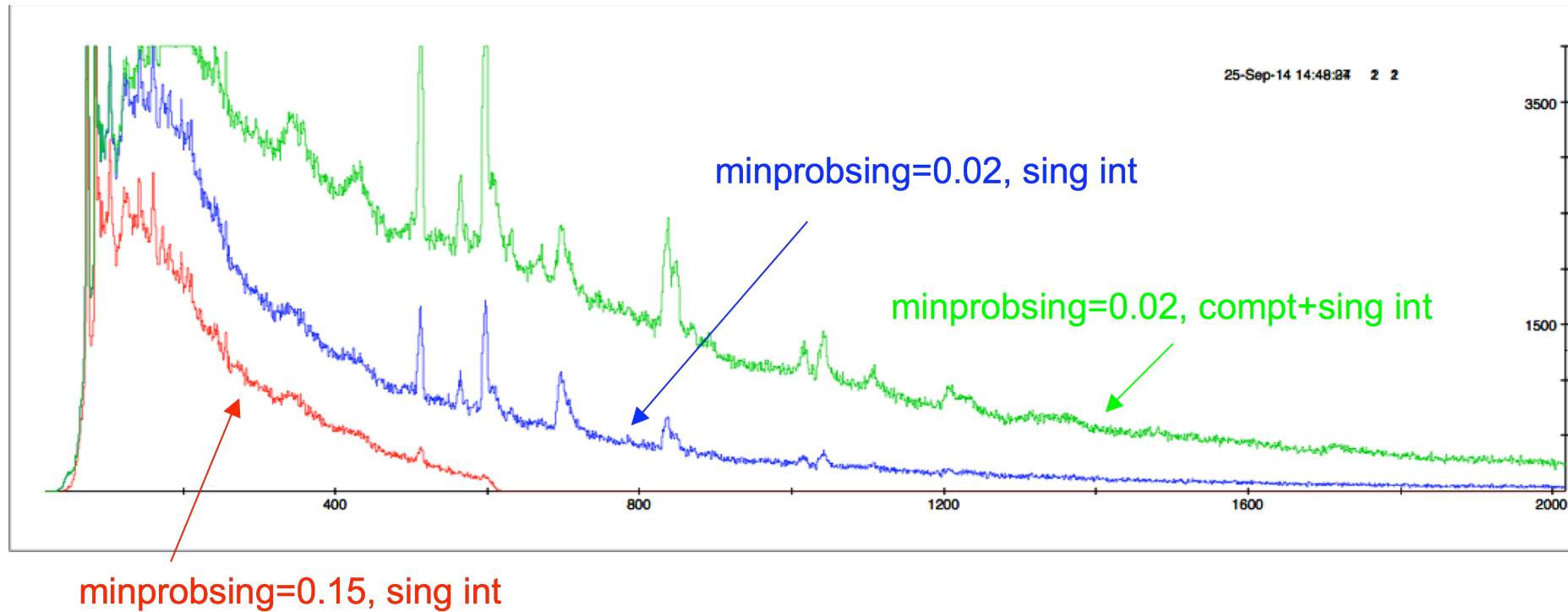


\Rightarrow optimum for $0.7 < \sigma_\theta < 1$

Adding efficiency @ high energy



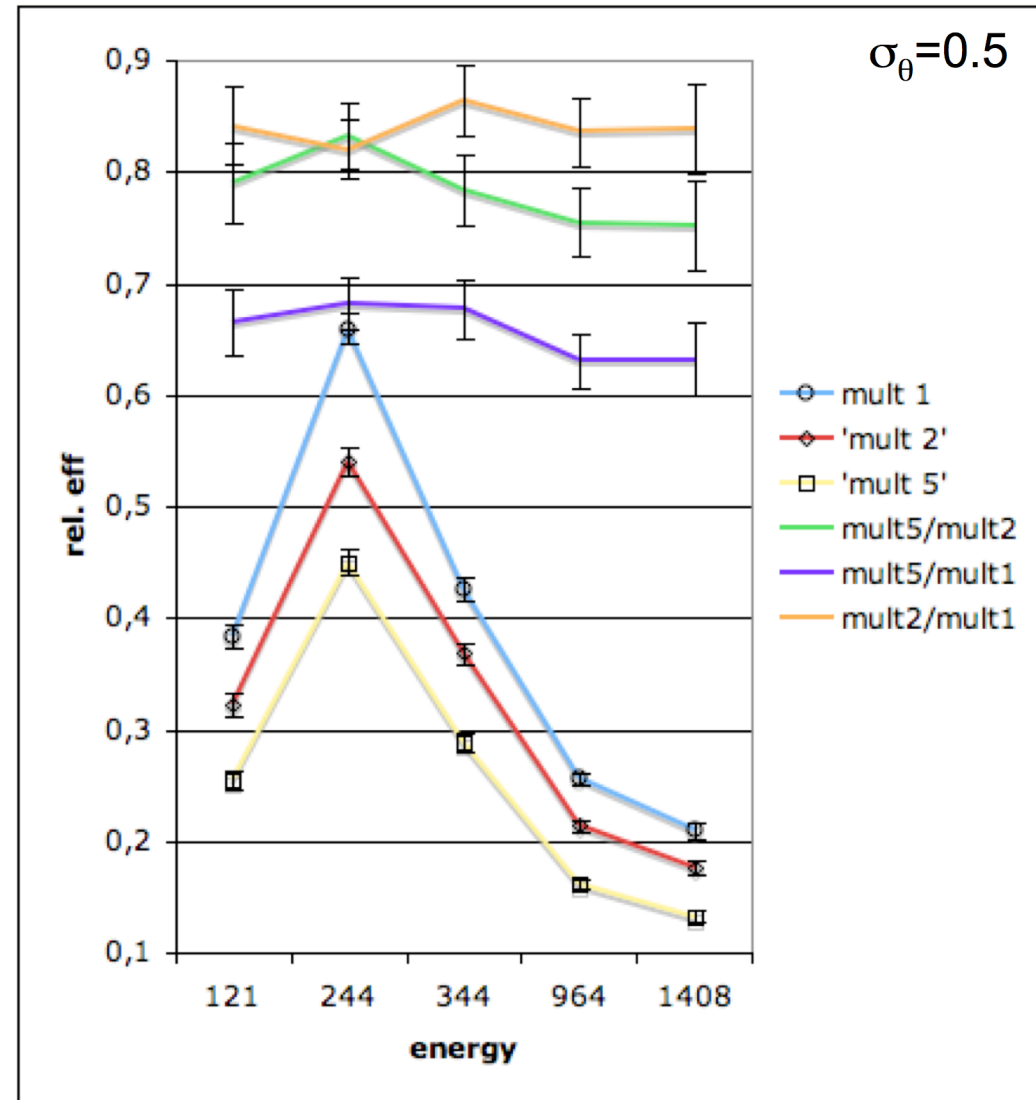
Adding efficiency @ high energy



Efficiency vs input fold

* ^{152}Eu source run
*Concatenate events
to simulate higher folds

(dirty source run
due to activation...)



Conclusions & outlook

- tracking works !
- needs tuning for every experiment
- the algorithm can still be improved (energy dependent σ_{thet} , clustering,...)
- still some open (in my mind) questions:
 - why is the experimental P/T not up to expectations ?
 - relative efficiency
 - response function to unfold for eg., to correct for summing....
 - ...