Exercise 3: Pulse-shape analysis (using chi2 minimisation)



The text file contains:

- in the 2nd column the
 recorded waveforms in
 9 neighboring segments
 and the CC for a single
 measured event
- in columns 3rd 11th it has the same information for 9 precalculated basis points



Compare the traces and extract the x, y, z interaction position (from the corresponding basis points) that gives the best-fit to the recorded data

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A realistic position reconstruction



Collimated source of ¹³⁷Cs 662 keV Gamma ray beam σ_{x,y,z}~ 2 mm 120

Position resolution





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Gamma-ray tracking: Principle of operation

A 3D position sensitive Ge detector

- Electrically segmented
- Pulse shape analysis of position sensitive signals





9 cm

φ

3

β

Tracking: clustering

First step in tracking is to find clusters of interaction points which likely belong to a single γ -ray scattering in the detector – based on opening angle into the Ge shell





Any two points with $\Delta \theta < \theta_p$ are grouped into the same cluster. The process is repeated for every new point that joins the cluster



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The tracking Figure of Merit (FOM) "cut" and the "tradeoff"





The curves are provided for a range of FOM cuts from 0 to 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, ... 1.8, 2.0. The lower curve includes single interactions (wsi) and the upper one is obtained without these interactions (nsi).

Example of tracked and non tracked ¹⁵⁸Er source spectrum



Experimental data

Exercise 4: γ-ray tracking

A Geant4 simulation assumes a 2MeV gamma-rays emitted from 0.5c moving particles, and detected by 4Pai-AGATA array.

1,000,000 events are simulated.

The analysis is performed with OFT tracking and the Doppler correction is applied.

The branches in the tree are:

EntryID: event id in simulation
Energy: gamma energy without Doppler correction
EDopp: gamma energy with Doppler correction (use this one)
FOM: in the OFT tracking, the FOM is calculated as the probability, so large FOM means good tracking (opposite definition than in the slide above but same principle)
ninter: number of interactions in one event

 \rightarrow Task: Use the ROOT file to estimate the efficiency vs P/T for different FOM cuts.



Broadening of detected gamma-ray energy due to:

- velocity change in target (unknown interaction depth), momentum spread
- $\Delta \theta$ due to opening angle detector and trajectory of nucleus

Doppler Shift





Doppler Broadening



Broadening of detected gamma-ray energy due to:

- velocity change in target (unknown interaction depth), momentum spread
 - E.g. thin target (or MINOS)
- $\Delta \theta$ due to opening angle detector and trajectory of nucleus
 - E.g. position resolution of gamma-ray detector and Spectrometer/detector

• **11007**—Weisshaar, D. et al. Commissioning of GRETINA + S800 at NSCL





Energy [keV] (laboratory frame)

Doppler correction using position information



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Properties of Gamma Decay

- Energies --> spacing between nuclear levels
- Lifetimes --> information about transition probabilities, links to nuclear matrix elements (structure!)
 - Intensities --> experiment dependent generally relates to transition probabilities (branching ratios)

$$J_{1}^{\pi} \xrightarrow{BR_{1}} \xrightarrow{BR_{2}} E_{1}$$

$$E_{\gamma 1} \xrightarrow{E_{\gamma 2}} E_{2}$$

$$J_{2}^{\pi} \xrightarrow{E_{2}} E_{2}$$

Lifetimes and Gamma Decay

The bulk of electromagnetic (gamma) transitions have lifetimes of $10^{-15} - 10^{-9}$ s Below a fraction of a nanosecond no clocks available for direct measurements What do we do??



Lifetimes information in the line-shape of peaks



Due to applying a "wrong" Doppler correction by assuming the "wrong" angle that the decays were emitted from the target position

Other more common life-time measurement methods also benefit from position sensitive detectors and tracking arrays: DSAM – Doppler shift attenuation method Plunger method

Advantages of Tracking



Particularly important for experiments with fast secondary beams delivered by the fragmentation facilities

Summary



The self-calibration method (if time allows...)