



# UNCERTAINTIES IN THE TAGS MEASUREMENTS

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# Outline

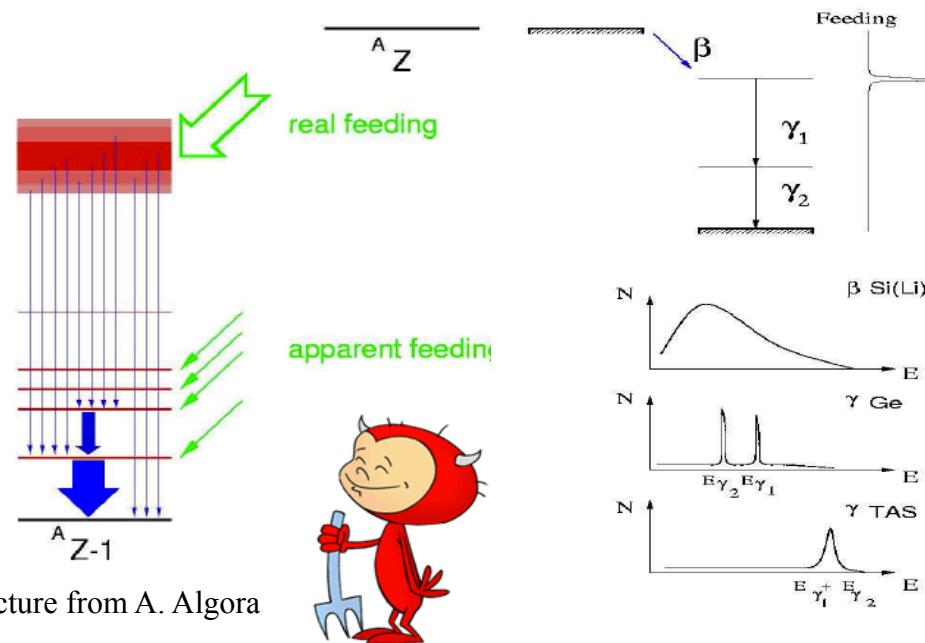
- Introduction: the recent experiments & their setup
- The TAGS technique
- Data Analysis
- Contaminants
- Detector Response
- Study of impact of sources of systematic uncertainties in the case of  $^{92}\text{Rb}$  (Z. Issoufou 's PhD), and  $^{87,88}\text{Br}$ ,  $^{94}\text{Rb}$  (Rocinante detector)
- Study of impact of sources of systematic uncertainties with the DTAS detector (V. Guadilla's (2017) and L. Le Meur's (2018) PhDs)

# TAGS Solution to Pandemonium Effect

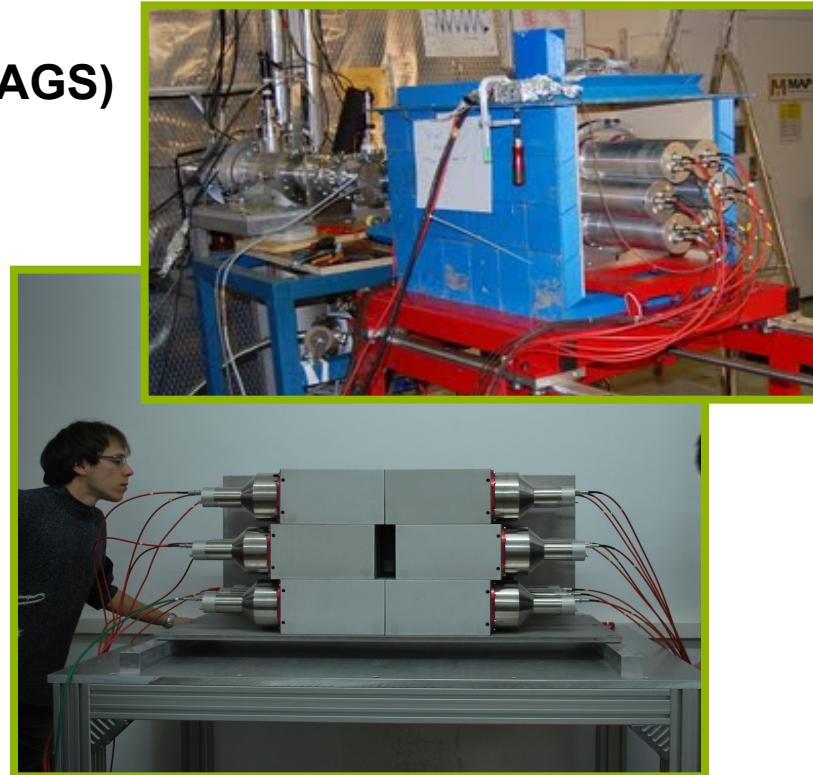
Pandemonium effect\*\* :

Due to the use of Ge detectors to measure the decay schemes: lower efficiency at higher energy → underestimate of  $\beta$  branches towards high energy excited states: overestimate of the high energy part of the FP  $\beta$  spectra

→ Solution is Total Absorption  $\gamma$ -ray Spectroscopy (TAGS)  
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\*\* J.C.Hardy et al., Phys. Lett. B, 71, 307 (1977)



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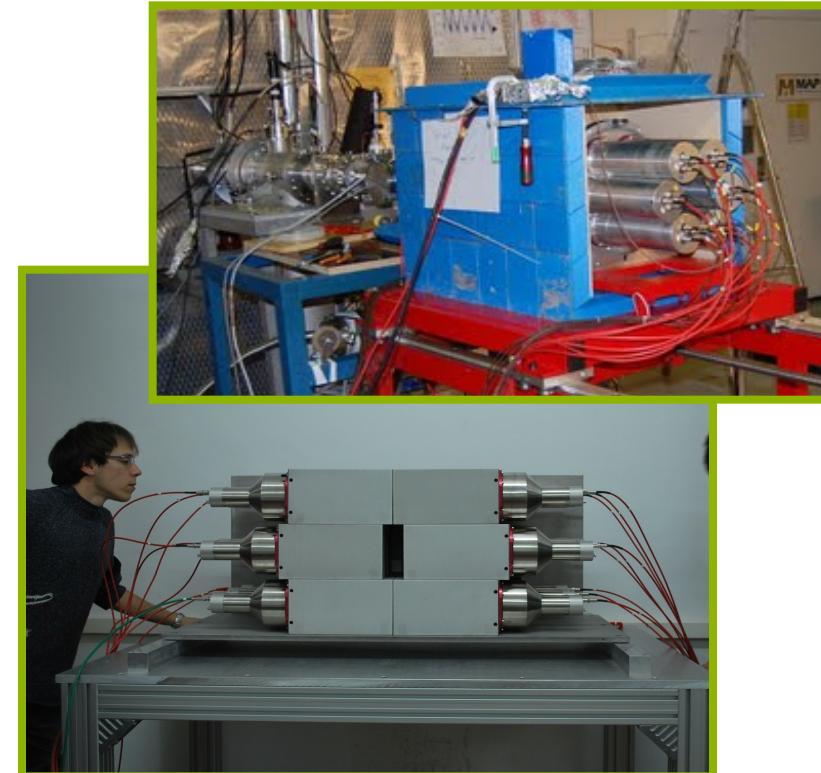
# TAGS Experimental Campaigns

- Decay Total Absorption Spectrometer (DTAS) for FAIR (IFIC Valencia): used in Jyväskylä in Feb. 2014 for our reactor antineutrino proposal: 18 modules  $15 \times 15 \times 25 \text{ cm}^3$  NaI(Tl) + 5" PMT
  - 12 nuclei for antineutrinos measured & 11 for decay heat
  - See V. Guadilla's talk at JEFF/CHANDA meeting in Nov. 2017
- $\text{BAF}_2$  TAGS (Surrey-Valencia): used for the 2009 measurement at IGISOL-JYFLTRAP:  $^{86}\text{Br}$ ,  $^{87}\text{Br}$ ,  $^{88}\text{Br}$ ,  $^{91}\text{Rb}$ ,  $^{92}\text{Rb}$ ,  $^{93}\text{Rb}$ ,  $^{94}\text{Rb}$ 
  - $^{92,93}\text{Rb}$  results already shown at last meetings, see A. Zakari-Issoufou et al., PRL 115, 102503 (2015)
  - $^{87}\text{Br}$ ,  $^{88}\text{Br}$ ,  $^{94}\text{Rb}$  E. Valencia et al. PRC 95 024320 (2017)
  - $^{86}\text{Br}$ ,  $^{91}\text{Rb}$  S. Rice et al. PRC 96 014320 (2017)

Antineutrino Proposal in Jyväskylä: Subatech-IFIC collaboration

V.Guadilla et al., Nucl. Inst. and Meth. B, in press. Online (2015) : <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0168583X15012628>

Pure beams required: Use of the double Penning trap from JYFL

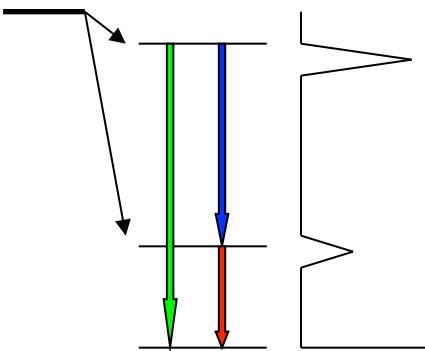


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# TAGS Technique

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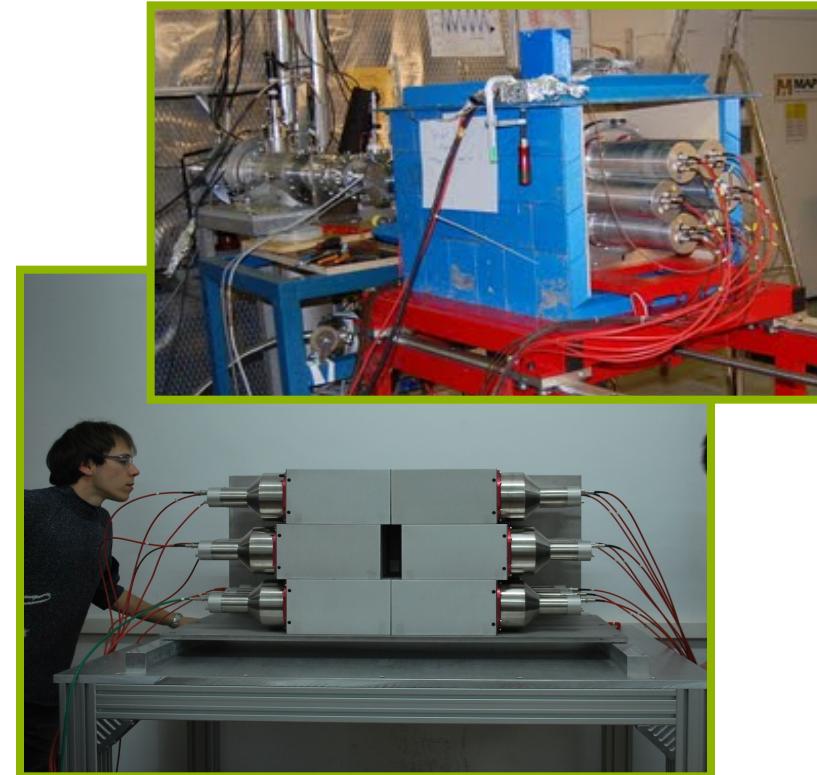
Observable:  $\beta$ -intensity =>  $\beta$ -strength:



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$$S_i = \frac{I_i}{f(Q_\beta - E_i)T_{1/2}} \quad [s^{-1}]$$

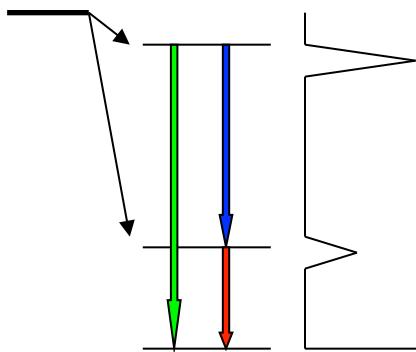
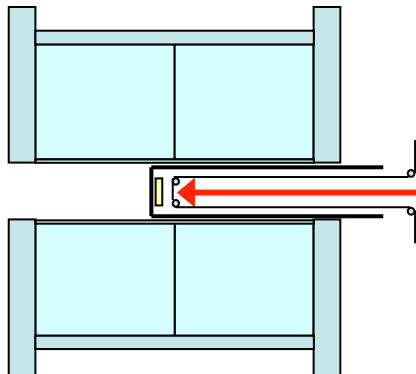
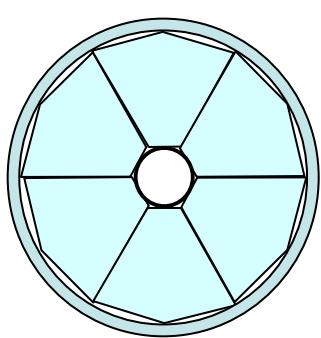
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# Total Absorption Spectroscopy (TAS)

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**Statement of the problem:**

**Relation between TAS data and the  $\beta$ -intensity distribution:**

$$d_i = \sum_j R_{ij} f_j$$

$$R_j = \sum_{k=0}^{j-1} b_{jk} g_{jk} \otimes R_k$$

**Deconvolution (Inverse problem) algorithms**

**Monte Carlo simulations + Nuclear statistical model**

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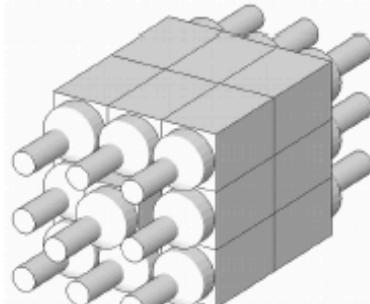
**Observable:**

$\beta$ -intensity  $\Rightarrow \beta$ -strength:  
An ideal TAS would give directly the  $\beta$ -intensity  $I_\beta$  which is linked with the  $\beta$ -strength  $S_\beta$ :

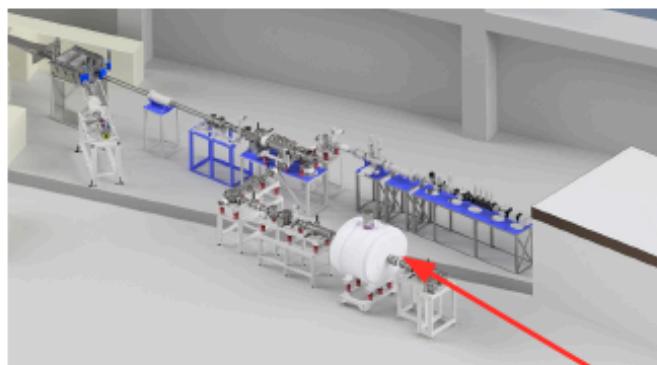
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# Experimental setup at Jyväskylä ( $^{142}\text{Cs}$ , $^{99}\text{Y}$ , $^{138}\text{I}$ , $^{96,96m}\text{Y}$ )



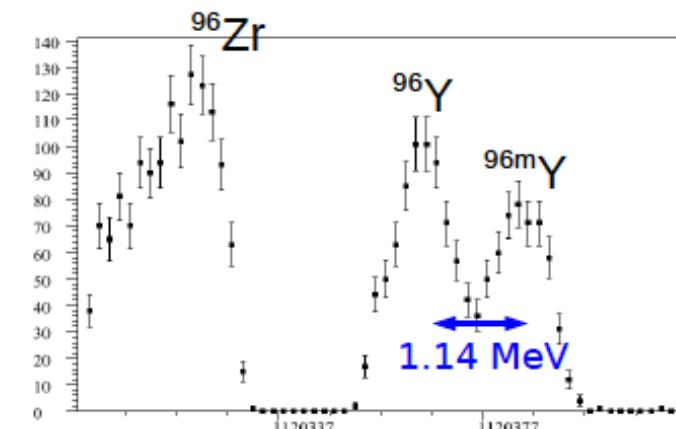
V. Guadilla et al., Nucl. Instrum. Methods B 376 (2016), p. 334



- **DTAS** = 18 crystals of NaI(Tl)
  - ~90% efficiency for a 1 MeV gamma
  - $\Delta E/E \sim 5\%$  at 1.3 MeV
- **$\beta$  detector** = plastic detector
  - In coincidence with  $\gamma \rightarrow$  suppression of the background
  - 30% detection efficiency
- **HPGe detector**
  - Allow identification of possible contaminants coming from the decay chain

Why Jyväskylä IGISOL-4 facility ?

- Because of the JYFLTRAP, a double Penning Trap
- Mass resolution of  $\delta m/m \sim 10^{-6}$
- A very pure beam is needed



# Data analysis

- Aim of TAS analysis =  $\beta$  feeding → Solve the Inverse Problem

$$d_i = \sum_j R_{ij} \cdot f_j$$

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$f_j$  :  $\beta$  feeding

$R_{ij}$  : Detector response matrix

## → Response matrix calculation ( $R_{ij}$ )

probability that feeding at a level  $j$  gives counts in data channel  $i$  of the data spectrum

- Recursive convolution :

$$r_j = \sum_{k=0}^{j-1} b_{jk} g_{jk} * r_k$$

$$R_j^{\beta^-} = b^- * r_j$$

$r_k$  : response for  $k$  level

$b_{jk}$  : branching ratio for  $j \rightarrow k$  transition

$g_{jk}$  :  $\gamma$ -response for  $j \rightarrow k$  transition

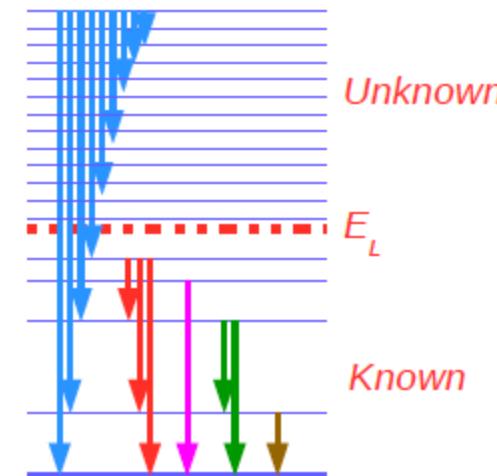
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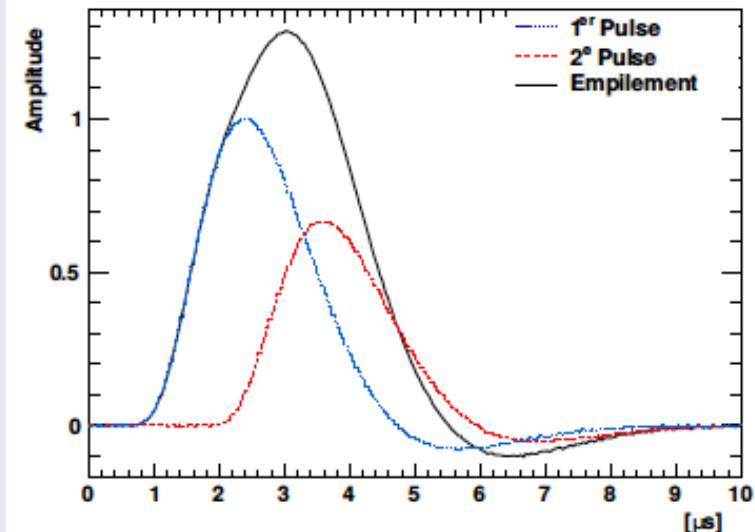
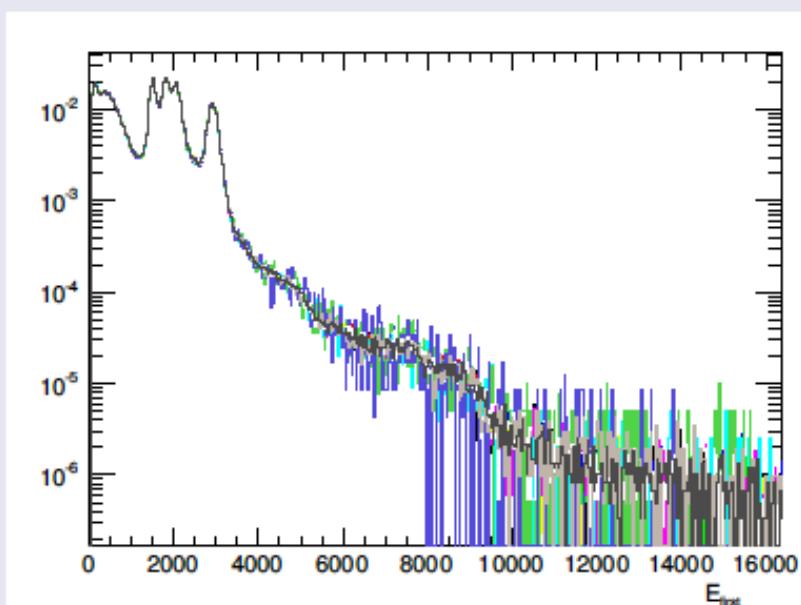
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## Background

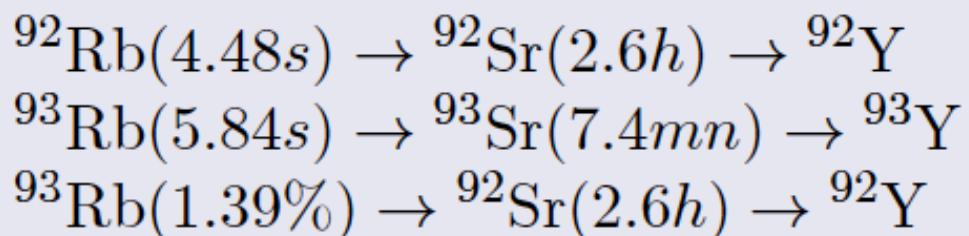
- Spectra are dominated by  $\alpha$  peaks
- Spectra recorded in between sources
- Normalisation by acquisition time



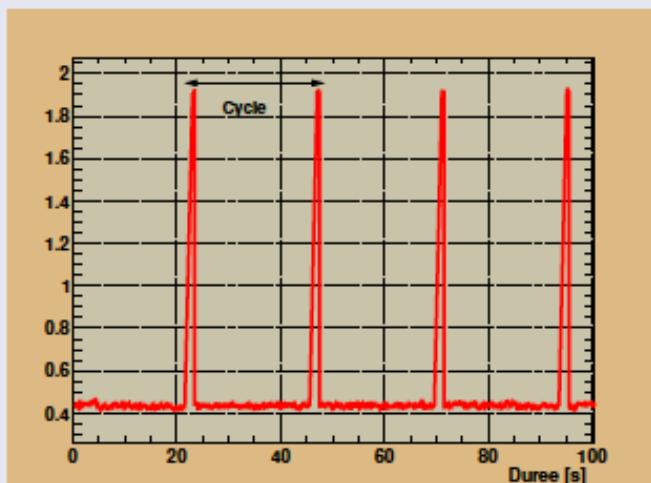
## Pile-Up

- False events stored in data
- constrained random coincidences
- 1<sup>st</sup> order normalisation

Contamination from daughters should be well estimated and removed



- TAS spectra from daughter is calculated  
 $\Rightarrow \vec{d} = R\vec{f}$
- Integral dictated by Bateman



- neutron emission is simulated
- $N_{\beta n\gamma} = P_n N_d \varepsilon_{\beta n\gamma}$

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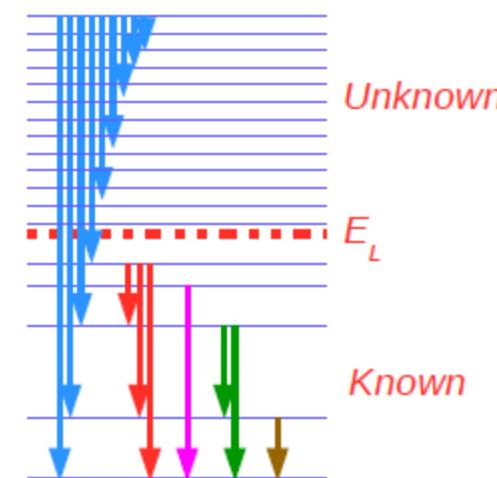
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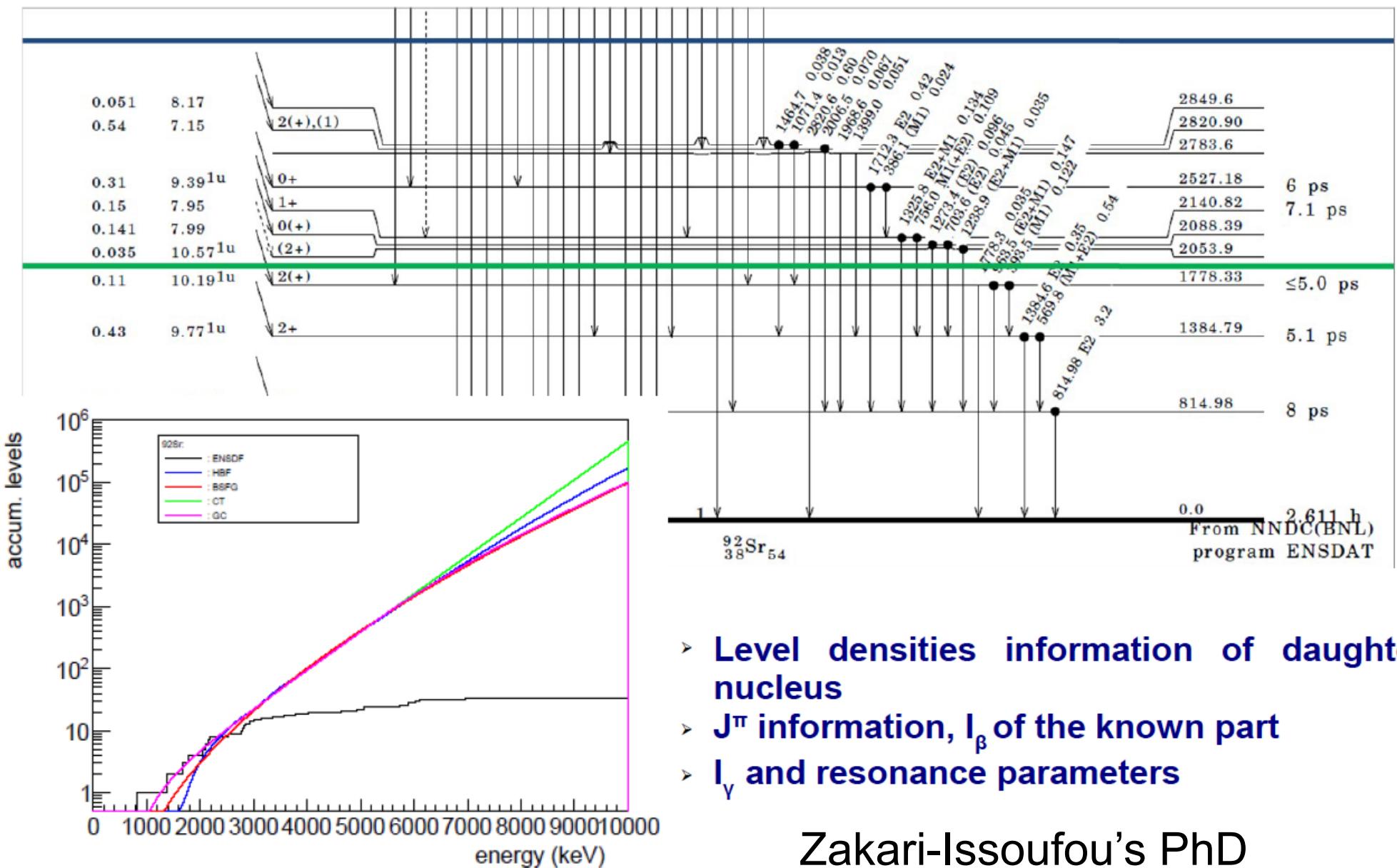
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$$T_{XL}(E_\gamma) = 2\pi E_\gamma^{2L+1} f_{XL}(E_\gamma)$$

$$f_{XL}(E_\gamma) = \frac{26 \times 10^{-8}}{2L + 1} \sigma_0 \Gamma E_\gamma^{3-2L} \frac{\Gamma_0}{(E_\gamma^2 - E_0^2)^2 + E_\gamma^2 \Gamma_0^2}$$

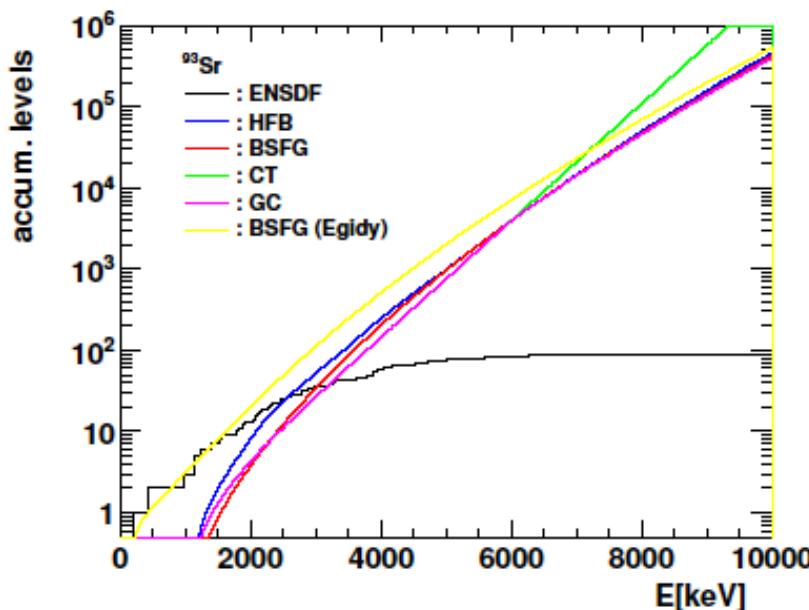
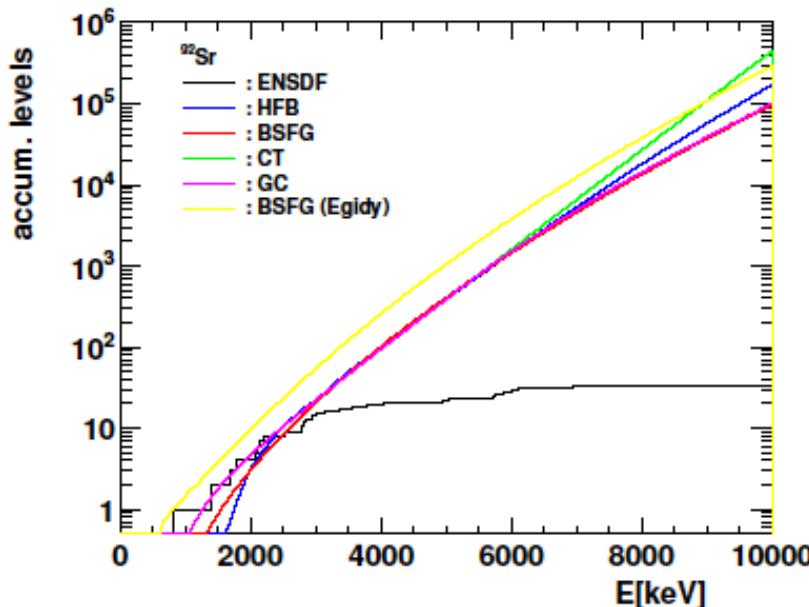
$T_{XL}$  : Transmission coefficient

$f_{XL}$  : Strength function,  $XL = E1, M1, E2$

$E_\gamma$  : Transition energy

Resonance parameters  $\sigma_0, \Gamma_0, E_0$  are obtained from RIPL  
<https://www-nds.iaea.org/RIPL-3>

# Level densities



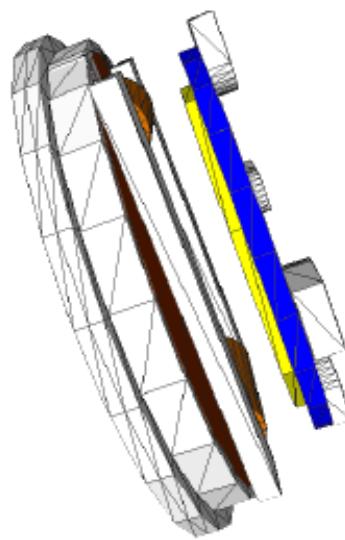
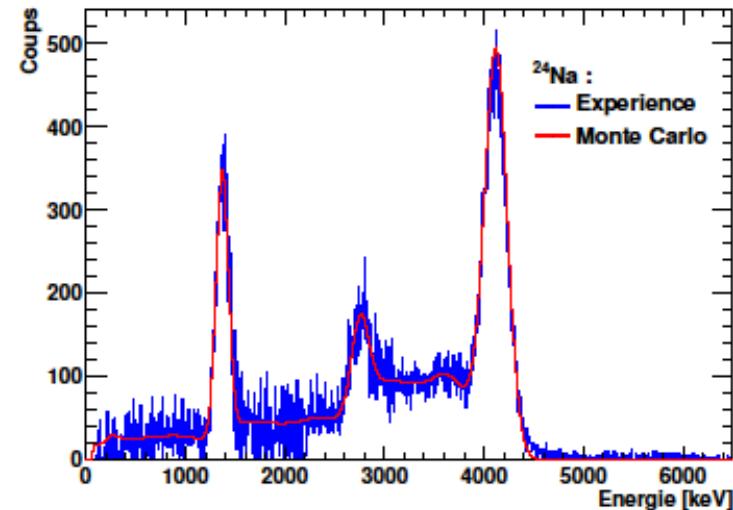
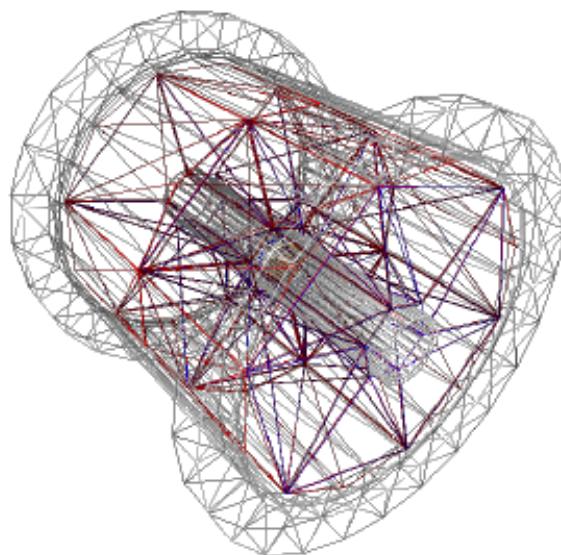
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Gilbert et al. Canadian Journal of Physics 43 (1965)

- Semi-empiric models for levels densities:
  - Back Shifted Fermi Gas
  - Constant Temperature
  - Gilbert Cameron
- Parameters obtained from fits
  - experimental data for known
  - theoretical calculation for unknown (HFB)
- Chose the one that is more in agreement with experimental data in the lower energy part

A.-A. Zakari-Issoufou's PhD

# Simulations

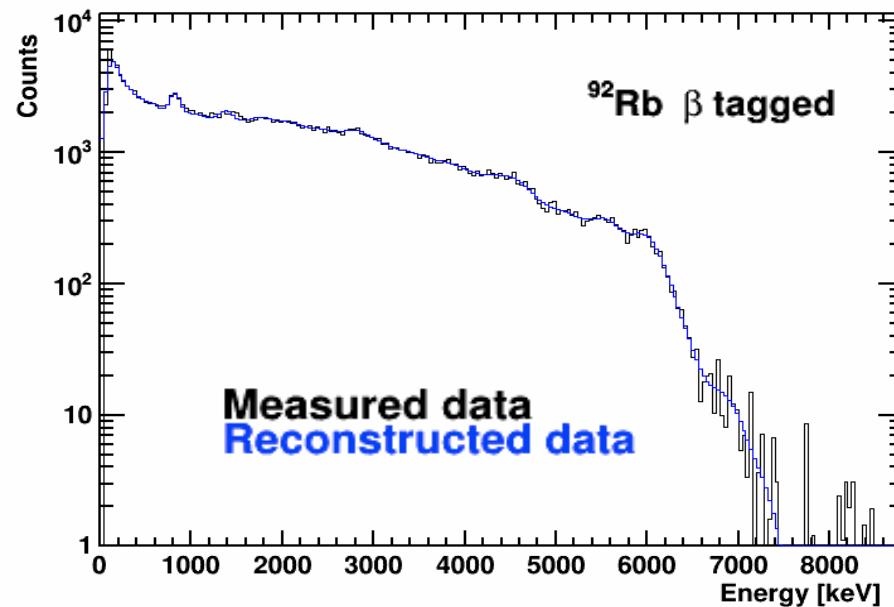
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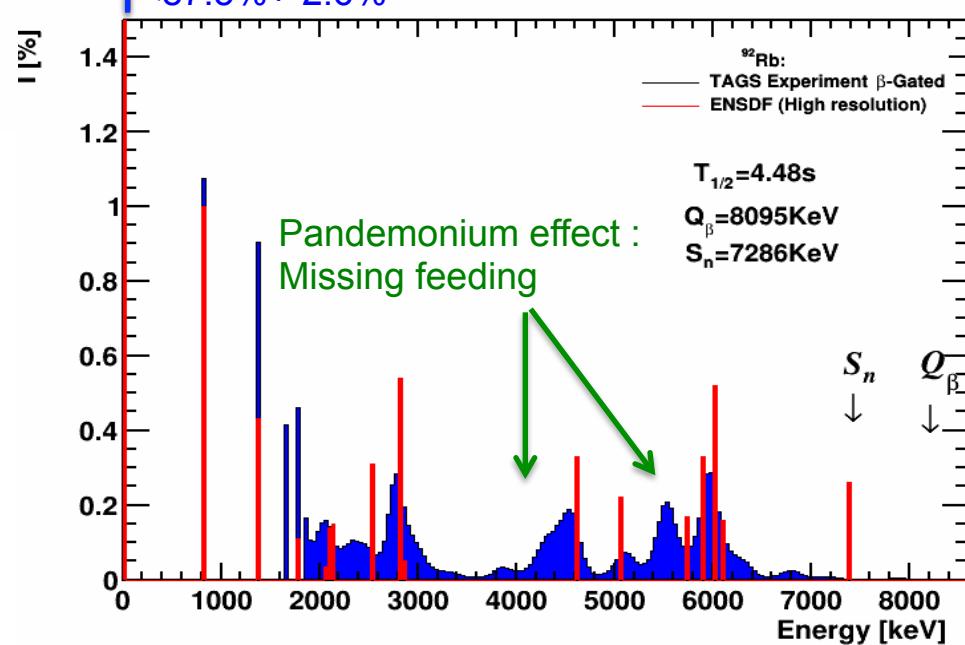
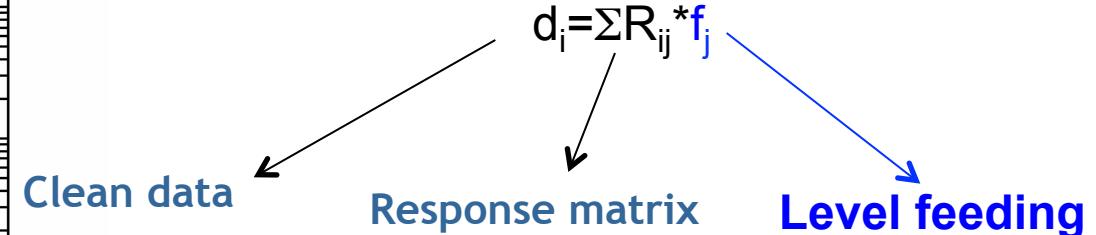
- Precise description of the TAS geometry
- GEANT4 simulation of  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$
- Compare simulated spectra to experiment for validation

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# The case of $^{92}\text{Rb}$

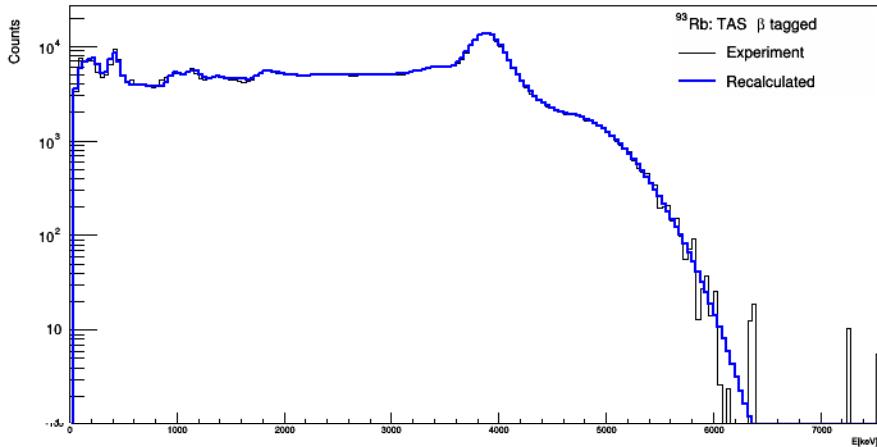


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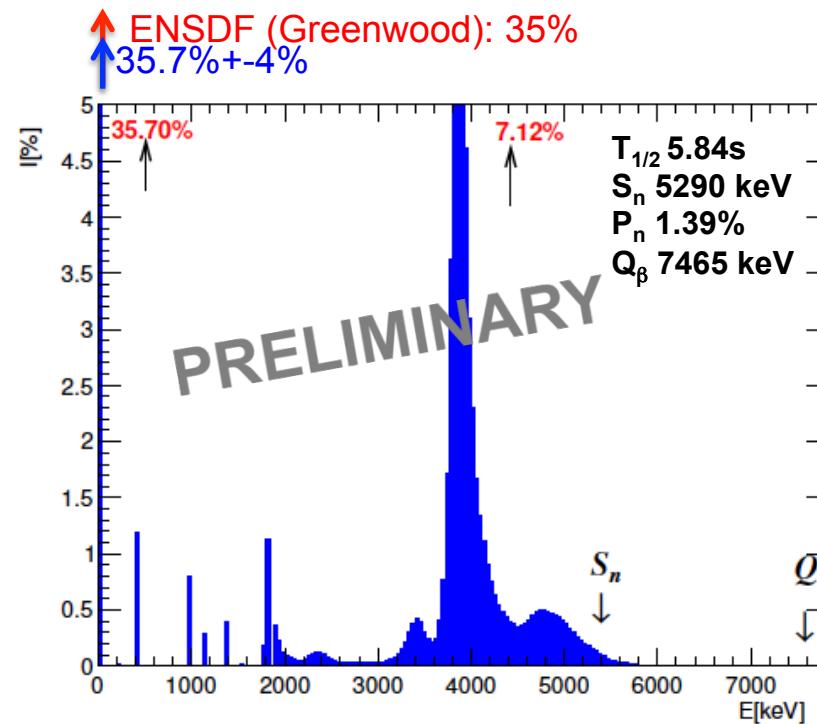
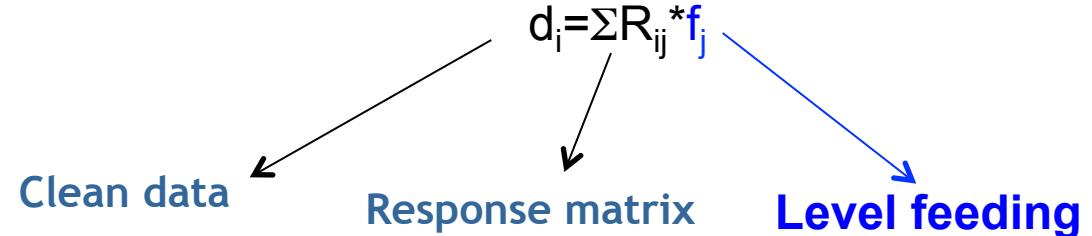


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# Impact of sources of systematic uncertainties

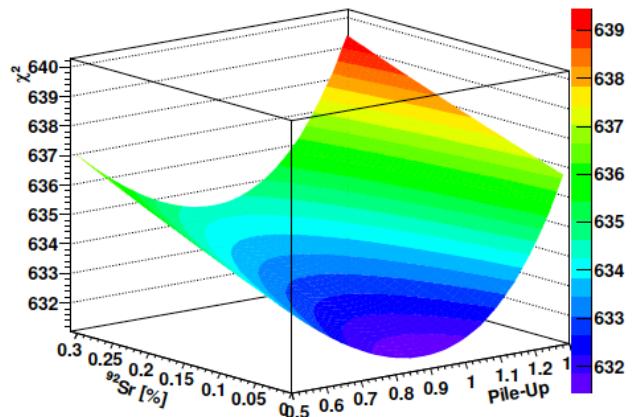


FIGURE 3.33 – Courbe des valeurs de  $\chi^2$  obtenues lors de la résolution du problème inverse pour différents paramètres de normalisation des empilements et différents taux de contamination du  $^{82}\text{Sr}$ . On trouve le minimum pour un facteur de 0.90 de la valeur que nous avions estimée par le calcul pour les empilements.

## Impact de la normalisation des empilements et de la contamination du noyau fils

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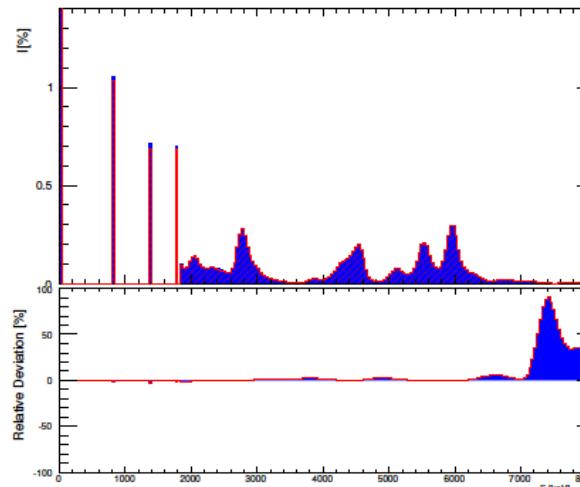


FIGURE 3.34 – Comparaison de la distribution d'alimentation bêta obtenue (rouge) sous les conditions de normalisation des contaminants qui minimisent la valeur de  $\chi^2$  entre le spectre reconstruit et les données expérimentales et le résultat que nous avions adopté (bleu). En bas l'écart relatif entre les deux distributions, avec des variations plus prononcées en fin de spectre où la contribution des empilements est relativement plus importante.

# Impact des paramètres d'étalonnage

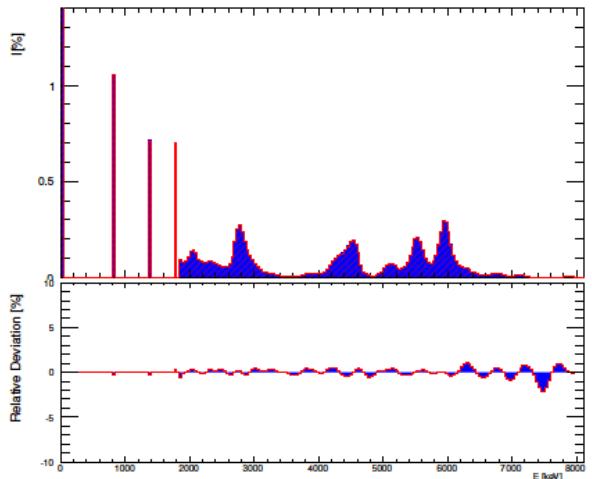


FIGURE 3.35 – Comparaison des alimentations bêtas obtenues (rouge) en modifiant la pente de la relation d'étalonnage en énergie de 1% avec le résultat adopté (bleu). Les écarts relatifs sont compatibles avec les incertitudes statistiques.

## Impact de l'étalonnage

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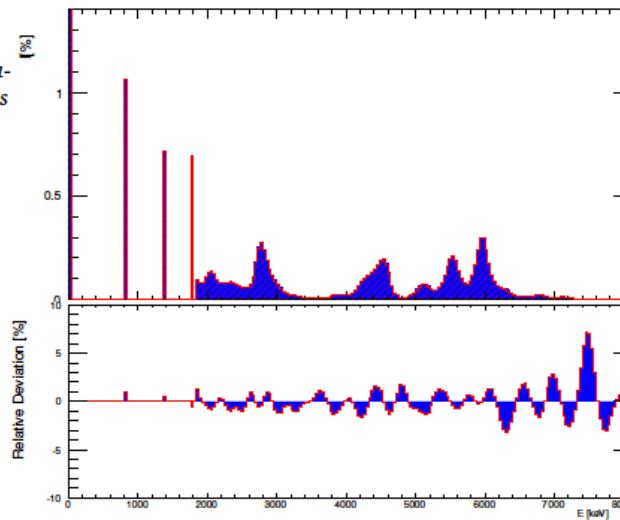
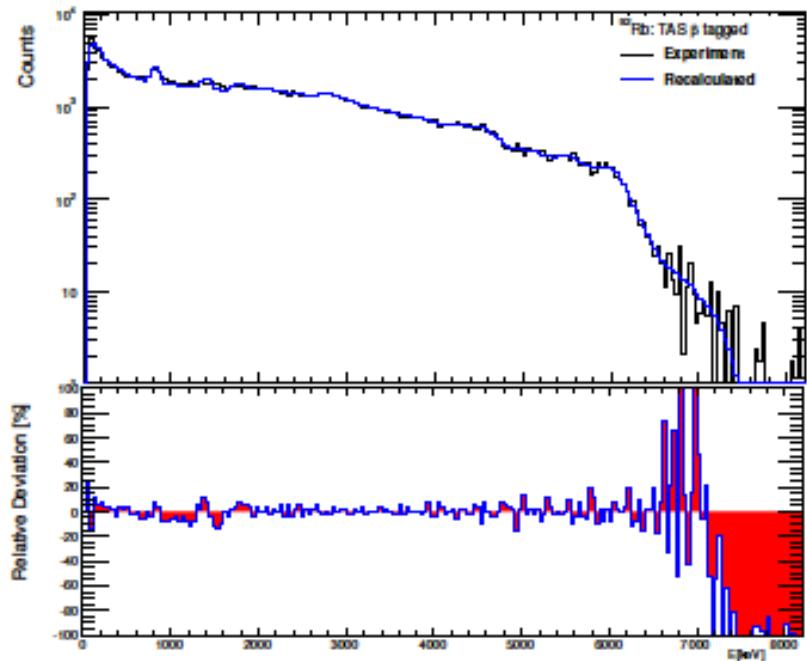
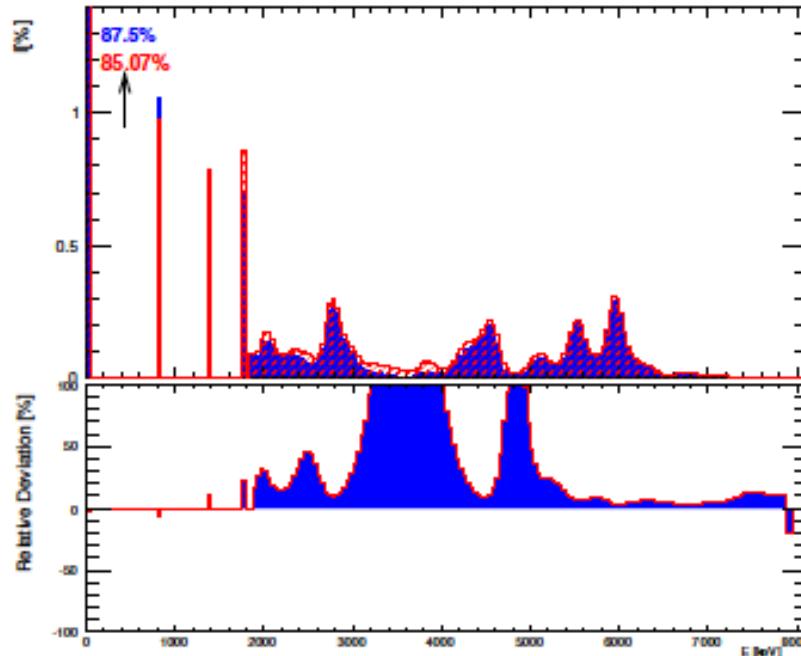


FIGURE 3.36 – Comparaison des alimentations bêtas obtenues (rouge) en prenant les bornes supérieures des paramètres de la relation d'étalonnage en résolution avec le résultat adopté (bleu). L'impact est plus prononcé que celui de l'étalonnage en énergie.

# Impact de l'épaisseur du Si



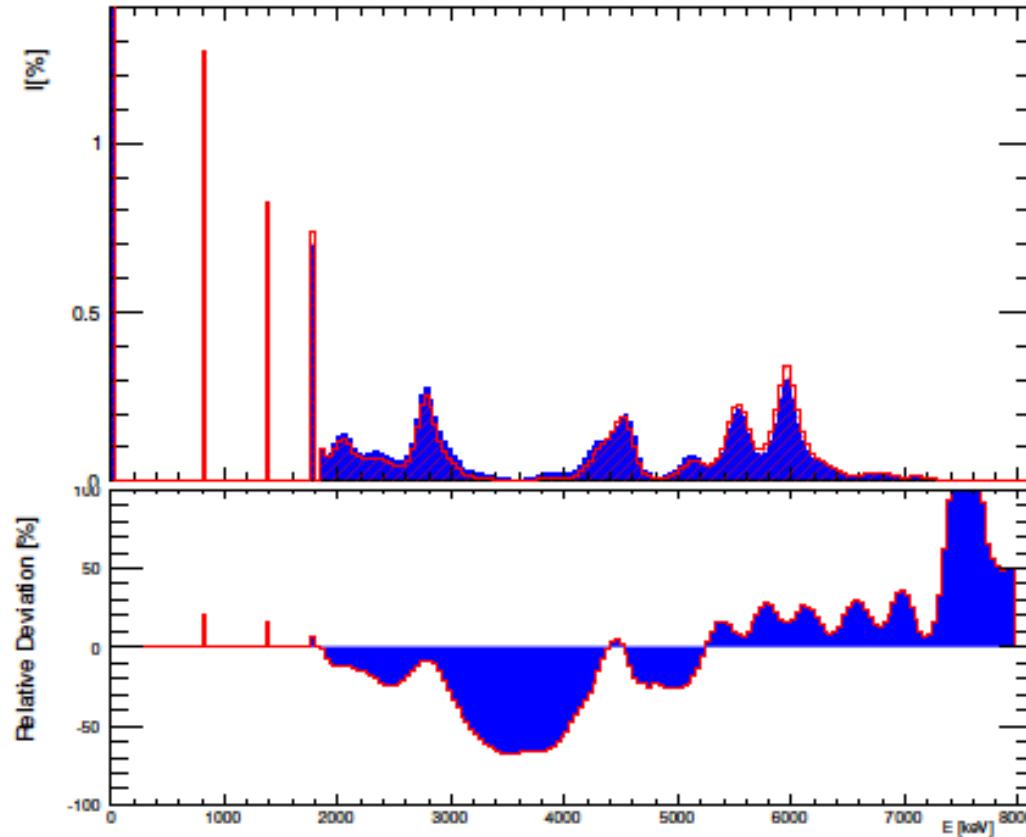
(a) Reconstruction des données



(b) Comparaison des alimentations

**FIGURE 3.37 – En (a) superposition entre les données expérimentales et la reconstruction à partir des alimentations bêtas obtenues lorsque l'épaisseur du silicium est augmenté de 10%. En (b) cette alimentation (rouge) est comparée avec l'alimentation bête de référence (bleu).**

# Impact des densités de niveau



**FIGURE 3.38 – Comparaison des alimentations bêta obtenue pour le  $^{92}\text{Rb}$ , en utilisant des densités de niveaux en moyenne 2 fois plus élevées que celle utilisées dans l'analyse de référence dont les alimentations sont représentées en bleu.**

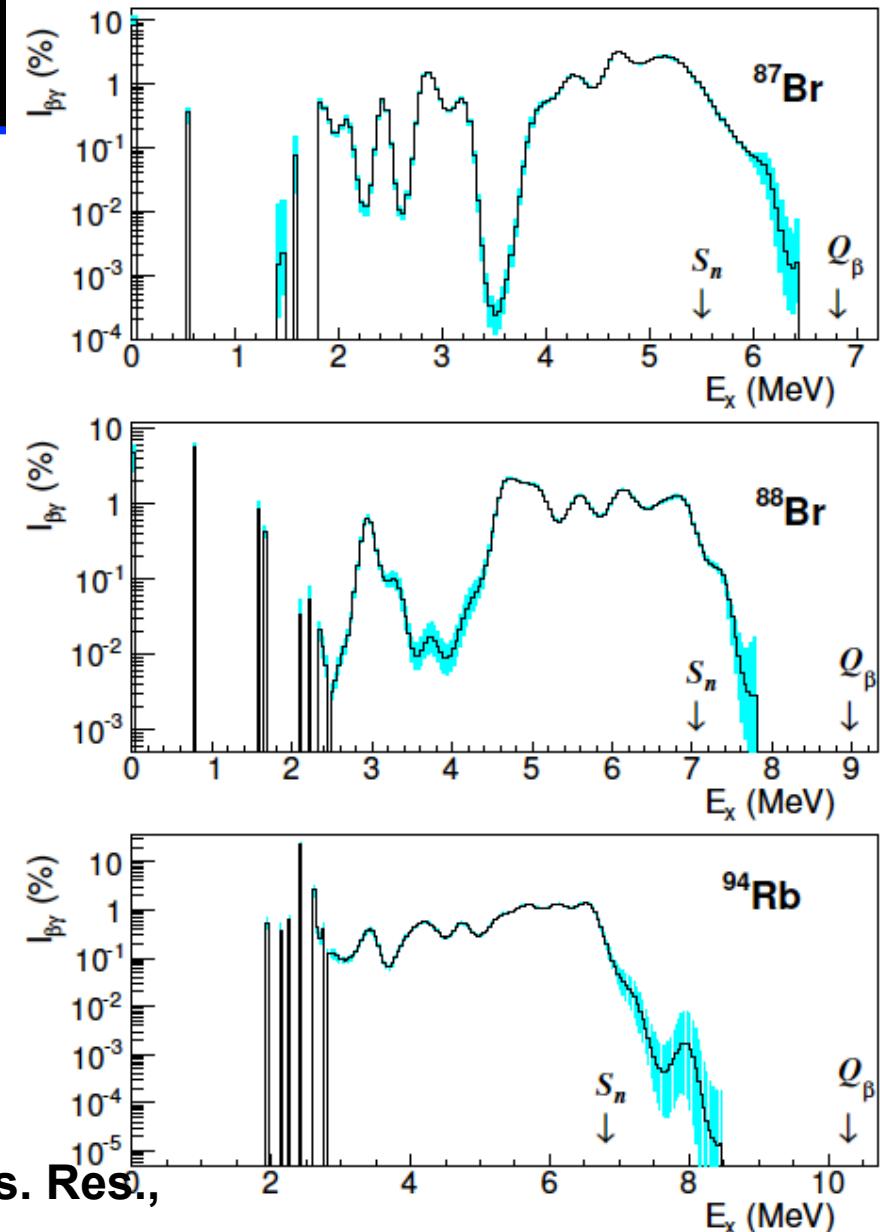
# Tableau récapitulatif

Pour l'instant : Somme quadratique des incertitudes, malgré les corrélations entre paramètres

$E_{level}$	$I_\beta$	Incertitudes[%]						Total[%]
		Statistique	Soustraction	$E_{Cal}$	$R_{Cal}$	$\Delta_{Si}$	Densité	
0	87.5	0.23	0.16	0.02	0.05	2.77	0.57	2.84
814.97998	1.05836	0.43	0.80	0.21	1.87	7.40	13.70	15.71
1384.79004	0.713029	0.40	3.47	0.24	1.44	10.81	8.04	14.00
1778.32996	0.69934	0.37	0.71	0.67	0.15	23.25	-0.98	23.29
1860	0.0956618	0.41	0.76	0.88	3.25	0.04	-2.33	4.19
1900	0.0765636	0.41	1.22	0.03	1.37	16.95	-19.52	25.92
1940	0.082986	0.41	1.35	0.38	0.50	25.45	-23.74	34.83
1980	0.110346	0.40	1.41	0.63	0.23	32.55	-20.89	38.71
2020	0.133679	0.41	1.48	0.71	0.57	29.90	-19.18	35.57
2060	0.14103	0.41	1.65	0.68	0.64	23.69	-18.09	29.87
2100	0.126544	0.41	1.89	0.50	0.25	18.44	-18.32	26.07
2140	0.0972783	0.41	2.21	0.19	0.67	15.82	-20.34	25.88
2180	0.082471	0.41	2.35	0.02	1.23	13.80	-22.30	26.36
2220	0.0768429	0.41	2.37	0.05	1.08	13.80	-24.53	28.27
2260	0.0793313	0.41	2.31	0.37	0.13	16.83	-25.22	30.41
2300	0.0831362	0.41	2.25	0.60	0.54	20.13	-26.21	33.14
2340	0.0859162	0.41	2.15	0.69	0.74	26.55	-26.73	37.75
2380	0.0801968	0.41	2.11	0.55	0.19	33.03	-28.13	43.44
2420	0.0729589	0.41	2.06	0.46	0.06	39.35	-29.77	49.39
2460	0.0670209	0.41	1.97	0.60	0.28	45.28	-30.58	54.68
2500	0.060217	0.41	1.85	0.67	0.56	45.85	-30.35	55.03
2540	0.0556243	0.41	1.72	0.48	0.05	42.96	-29.86	52.35

## Impact of several sources of systematic uncertainty on the shape of the intensity distribution.

In total the blue areas are 14 solutions for  $^{87}\text{Br}$ , 13 for  $^{88}\text{Br}$ , and 15 for  $^{94}\text{Rb}$ .

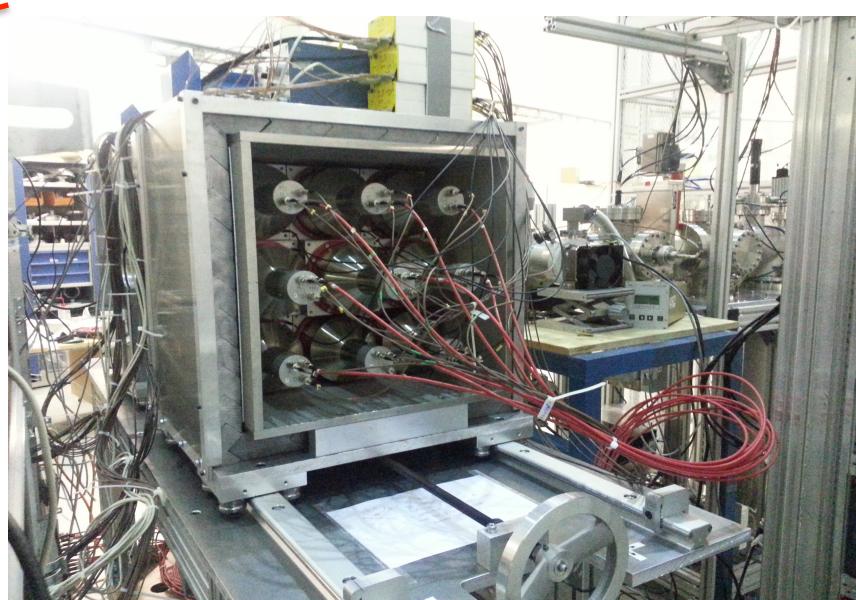
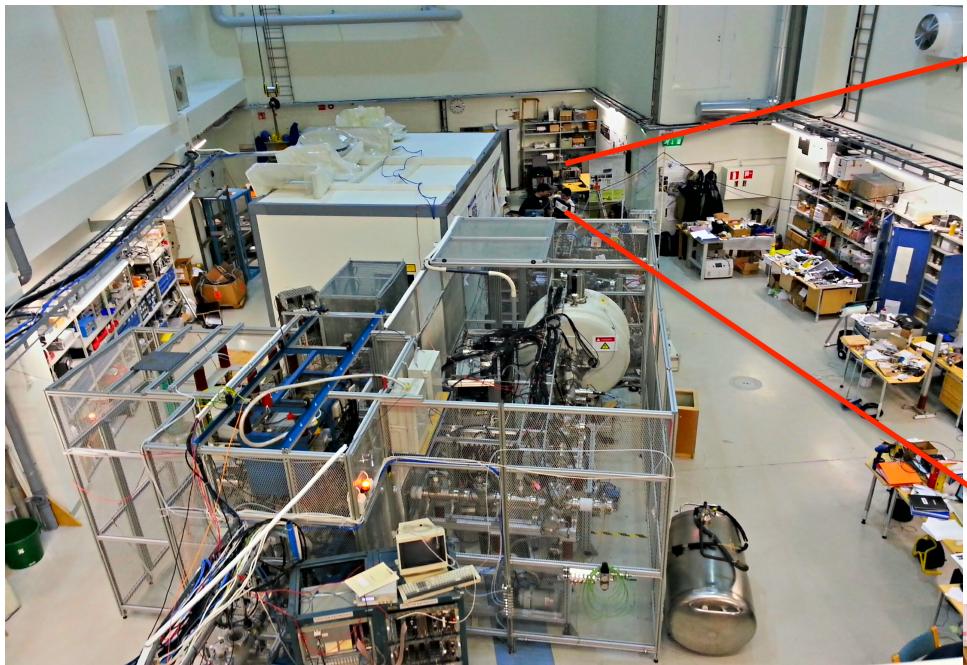


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FIG. 4. (Color online) Beta intensity distributions from TAGS. The thin black line is the adopted solution, the light blue filled region indicates the spread of solutions due to the systematic effects investigated. See text for details.

# Experiment @ Jyväskylä in 2014



## Reactor antineutrino proposal:

- 12 nuclei for antineutrinos measured & 11 for decay heat
- First use of new DTAS (17+1 NaI) developed by IFIC (Valencia)
- Successful use of the new IGISOL-4 facility
- First use of precision trap with IGISOL-4



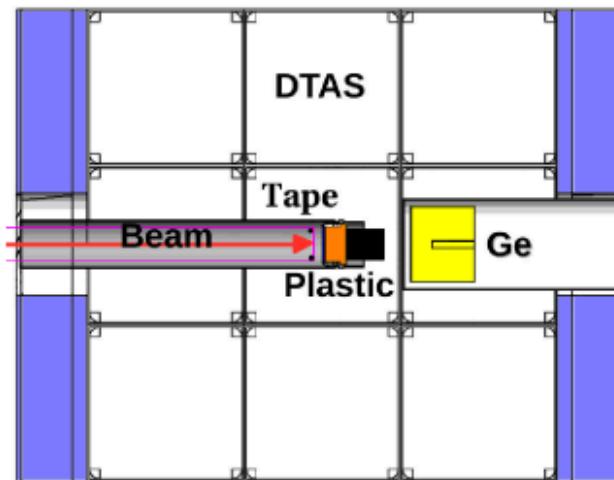
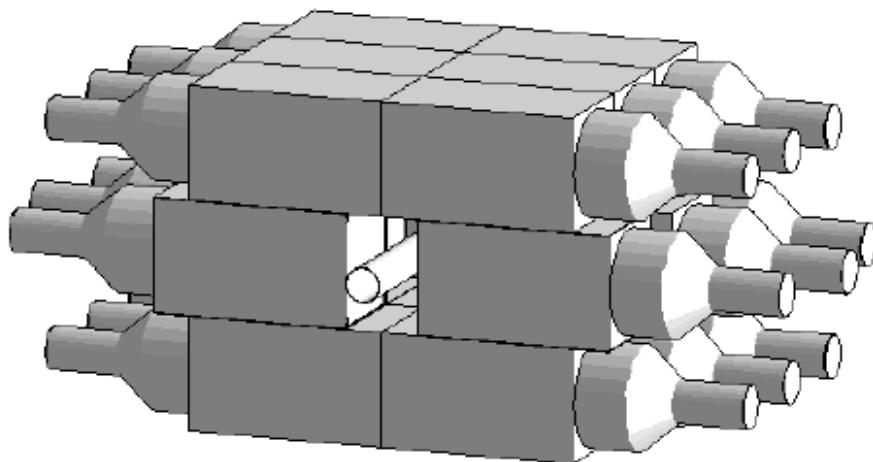
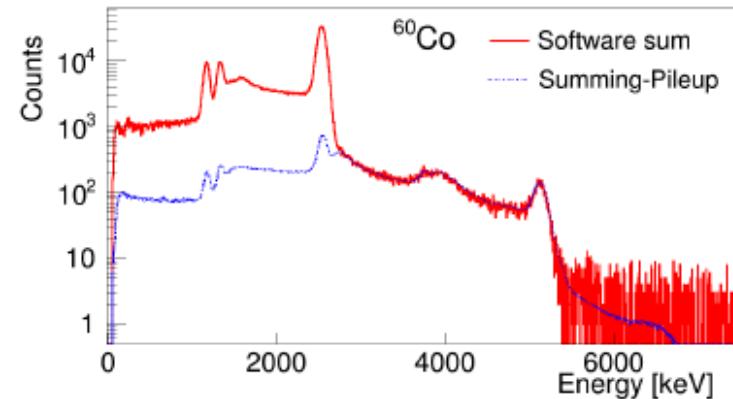
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Analysis on-going !!!

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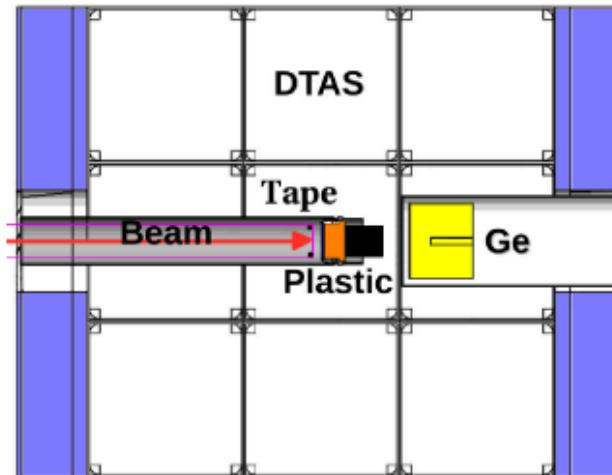
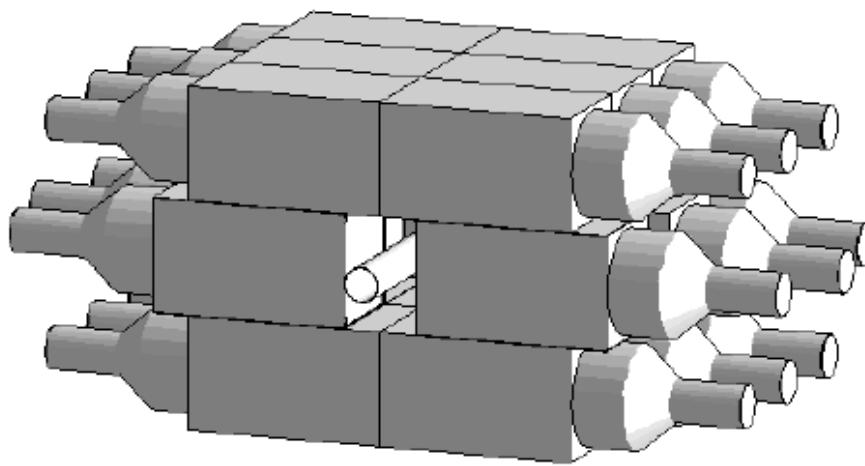
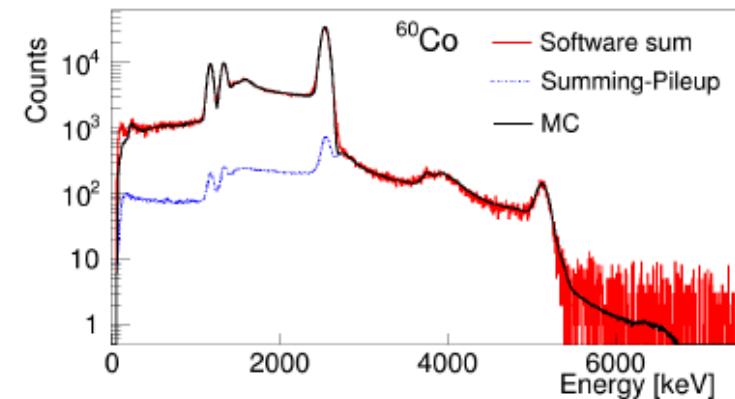
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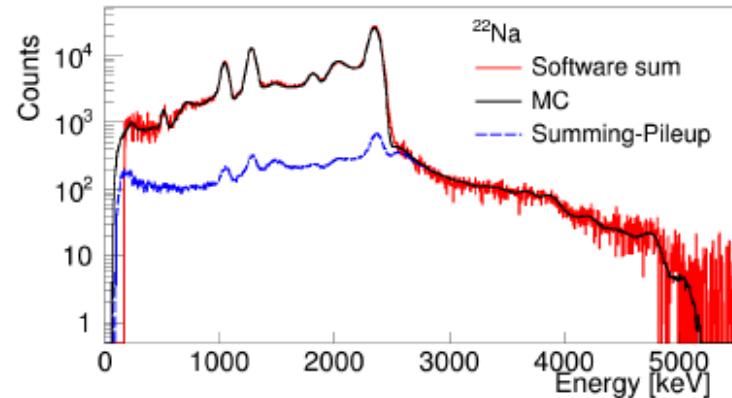
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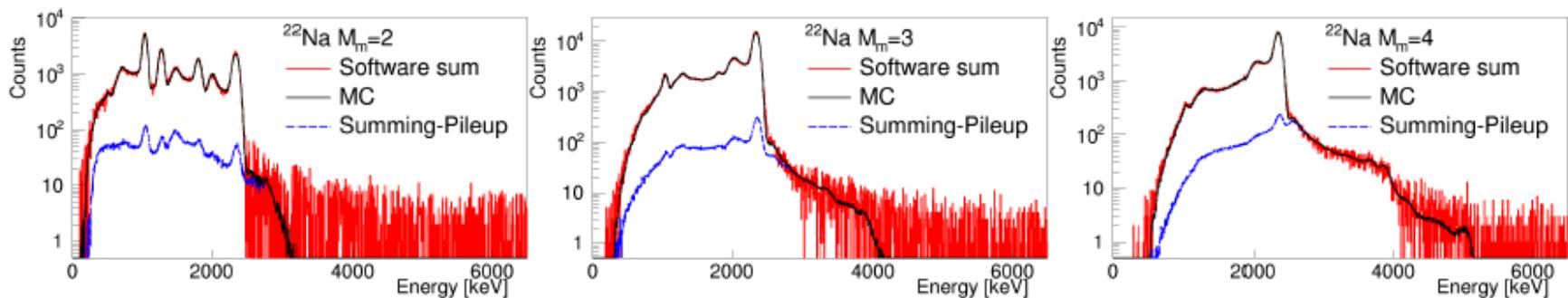
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Segmentation can be useful to study different multiplicities:



$M_m$ : number of modules with energy deposited in the event

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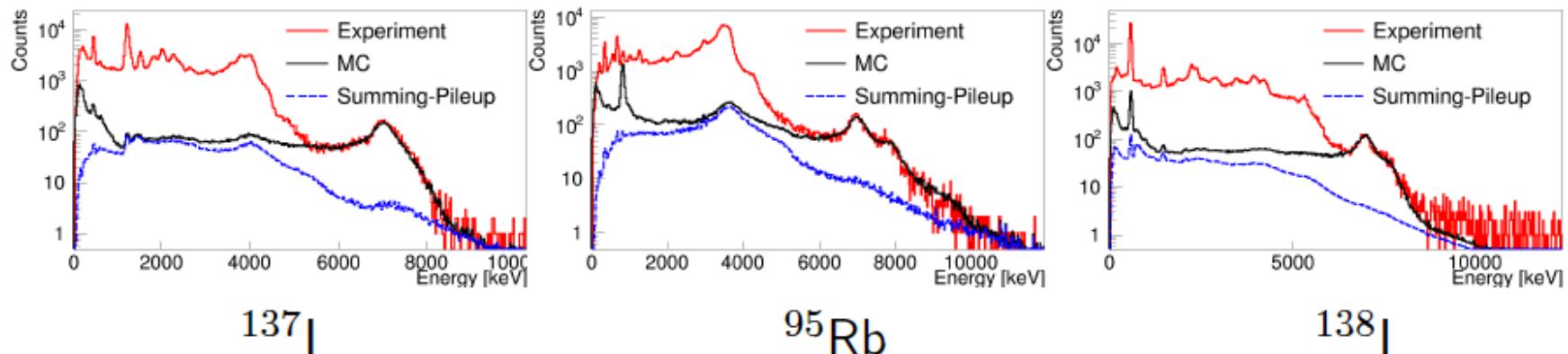
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**NaI(Tl)** → Response of DTAS to neutrons (inelastic, capture...):

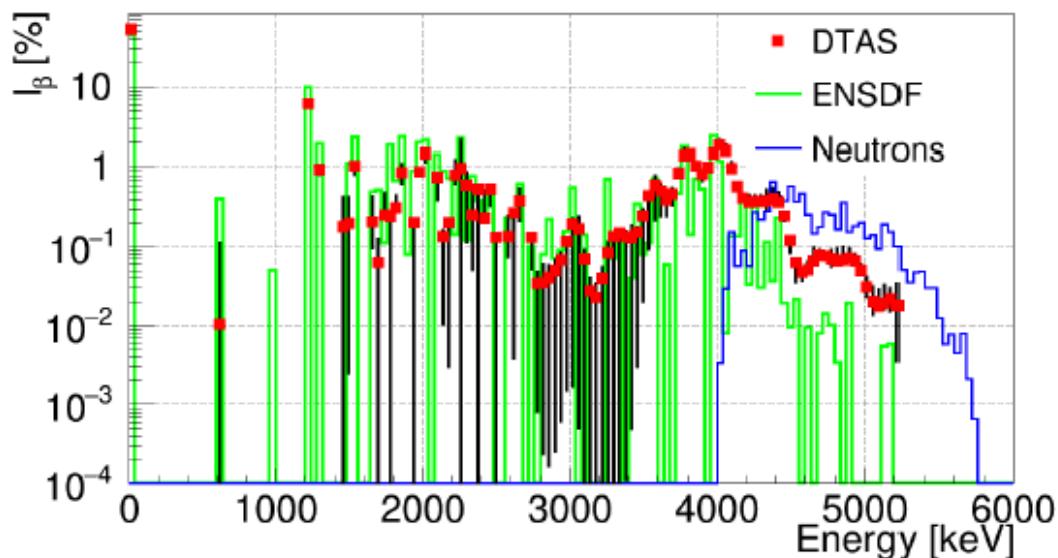


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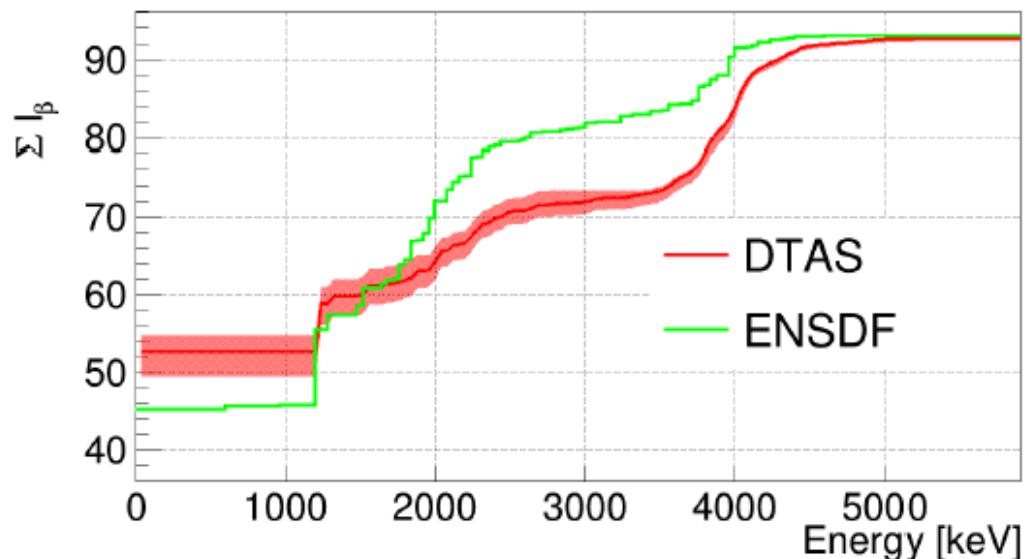
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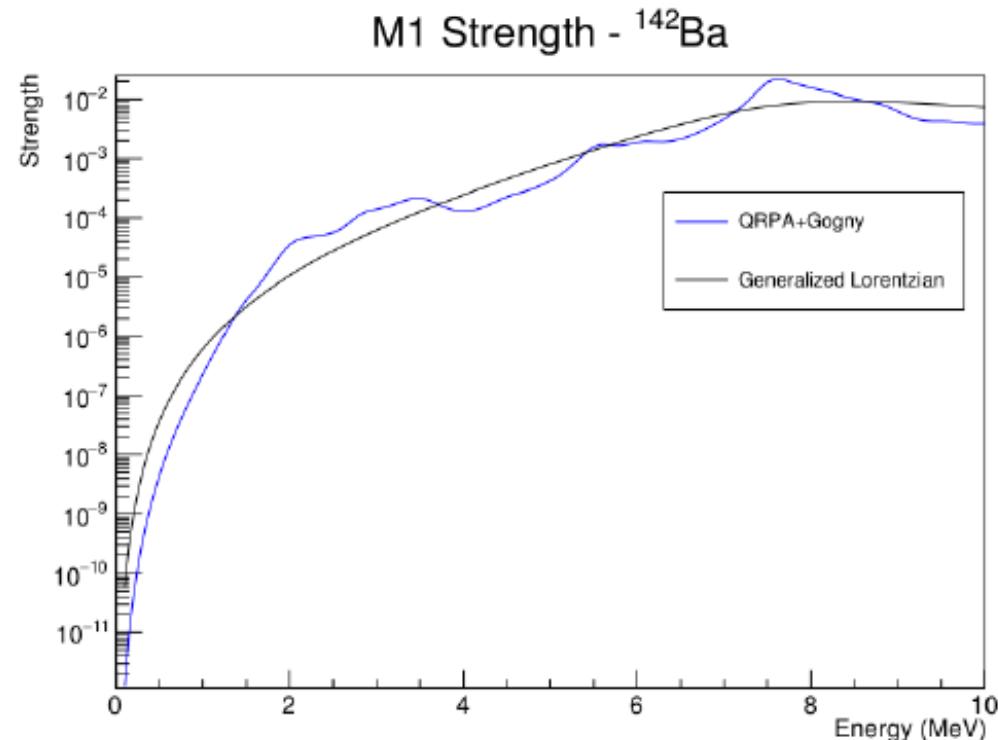
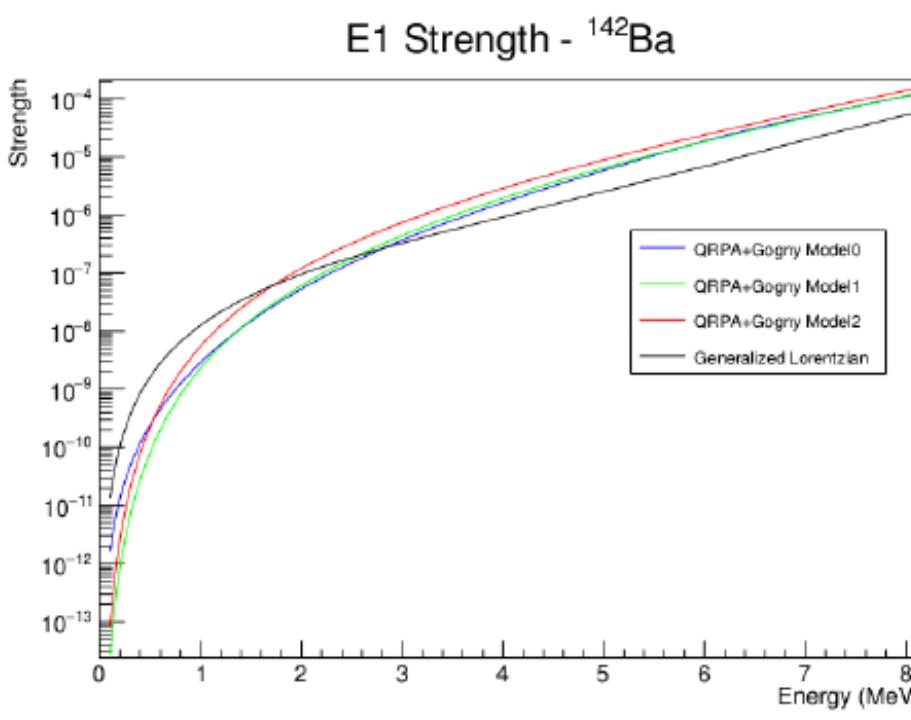


# L. Le Meur's PhD thesis

Input parameters for branching ratio matrix :

- ✚  $\gamma$ -strength (E1, M1, E2)...
- ✚ ... and parametrization ( $E_R, \Gamma_R, \sigma_R$ )
- ✚ Level densities and parameter  $a$
- ✚ Nucleus deformation  $\beta$
- ✚ Limit between *Known* and *Unknown* part (here = 1880 keV)
  - Depends on the knowledge of the daughter nucleus

**Impact of input models for the  $\gamma$ -strength (generalized Lorentzian, QRPA-Gogny v0, 1 and 2 from S. Péru-Désenfants and M. Martini)**



# Outlooks

- Study the propagation of uncertainties with correlations
- Extract correlation/covariance matrices
- Include the TAGS data and their uncertainties in the evaluated databases...
- We regularly include the new TAGS data in summation calculations to compare with integral data and extract new priority lists (decay heat, antineutrinos, Beff)

=> cf. Our proposal to the next European Nuclear Data project + next NACRE 2019-2021

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# Bayes theorem

Where :

$$P(f_j|d_i) = \frac{P(d_i|f_j)P(f_j)}{\sum_{j=1}^m P(d_i|f_j)P(f_j)}$$

$P(f_j)$  ( $\equiv f_j / \sum_{j=1}^m f_j$ ) is the a priori probability on the feedings  $f_j$   
 $P(d_i|f_j)$  is the condition probability that  $d_i$  is due to  
the parameter  $f_j$  and is equivalent to  $R_{ij}$   
 $P(f_j|d_i)$  is the a posteriori conditional probability  
that parameter  $f_j$  was the cause of  $d_i$

$$\hat{f}_j = \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^n R_{ij}} \sum_{i=1}^n P(f_j|d_i) \hat{d}_i, \quad j = 1, \dots, m \quad \rightarrow \text{Relation between expected feedings and data}$$

Include the latter formula into the first gives an iterative algorithm

$$f_j^{(s+1)} = \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^n R_{ij}} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{R_{ij} f_j^{(s)} d_i}{\sum_{k=1}^m R_{ik} f_k^{(s)}}, \quad j = 1, \dots, m.$$