Pulse Shape Analysis Optimization with segmented HPGe-Detectors DPG Darmstadt 2016

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The AGATA Array



AGATA Demonstrator at Laboratori Nazionali di Legnaro (LNL)



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Bart Bruyneel et al., Crosstalk properties of 36-fold segmented symmetric hexagonal HPGe detectors, NIM A, Volume 599, 2009

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Pulse Shape Analysis



- For every interaction position: set of simulated signals (ADL)
- Compare with measured signal \Rightarrow Best fit \Rightarrow Interaction position
- Use signal of hit segment, neighbors and core



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- PSA working well in general: FWHM 4-5 mm, F. Recchia et al., Position resolution of the prototype AGATA triple-cluster detector from an in-beam experiment, NIM A, Volume 604, 2009
- Clustering and High Statistics Grid Points (HSGP) motivated further investigation
- Previously: Systematic investigation of all crystal and electronic properties (crosstalk, transfer function,...) + search algorithm





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Comparison of Measurement and Simulation

Figure of Merit

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{t,j} |A_j^m[t] - A_j^s[t]|^p$$

Measured A^m and simulated signal height A^s of segment id j at time t



Visualization of Grid Search

- E = 257 keV, Segment=22 (D5), x=-32.25 mm, y=-6.25 mm, z=59.25 mm
- Radial resolution is better than angular resolution
- Angular position mainly determined by transient signals of neighboring segments



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Introduce new figure of merit

Weighted figure of merit

• Interaction of γ ray in Segment k

$$\chi^2 = \sum_i w_{i,k} \sum_t |A_i[t]^s - A_i[t]^m|^p$$

w_{i,k} = 1 for the hit segment (i=k) and for the core
w_{i,k} for nearest neighbors has to be determined
w_{i,k} = 0 else



Determination of the Weighting factors

- Comparison with expected hit distribution (known for source runs statistical fluctuation)
- Introduce three Criteria:
- **1.)** Clustering/Correlation (Covariance)
 - Ideal scenario: No correlation expected



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- 2.) Deviation from the expectation value

Random interaction position - no uncertainty





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- Introduce three Criteria:
- 3.) High statistic grid points (Ratio of hits inside HSGP compared to rest)





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Determination of Weighting Factors

- First: Global weighting factor for neighboring segments
- Varied between 1 and 50





Determination of Weighting Factors

- Variation of weighting factors for each segment of every detector
- Exemplary shown for detector 13, segment 27



Impact on PSA Result





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Summary

- Algorithm that compares measured and simulated signals has been improved
- Stronger weighting of transient signals introduced
- Optimal weighting factors for every single segment by maximizing PSA performance

Outlook

- Energy dependent weighting
- Measurements with known interaction positions



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AGATA Data Library



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Electrical fields





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Example of optimization - Transfer function

- Transfer function of preamplifier and digitizer
- 'Effective' τ
- Performed for every 540 segments (and 15 cores)





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Impact on hit distribution

Results with different optimization methods





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Detector 1, z=0-2 mm

Transfer Function

- Minima positions are similar, but do not coincide 100%
- Differences of optimal \(\tau\) values derived via different determination methods



Transfer Function

• τ_{chi} is systematically bigger than τ_{cov} and τ_{ratio}

- τ_{cov} and τ_{ratio} coincide very well
- $\frac{\tau_{cov} + \tau_{ratio}}{2}$ is used for optimizing all 555 channels







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