

# Angular distributions and Angular correlations in the GRETINA array

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First, the good news about tracking arrays:

$$\omega(\theta) = A_0 + \alpha_2 A_2 P_2(\cos\theta) + \alpha_4 A_4 P_4(\cos\theta),$$

The alphas are attenuation coefficients which take into account the opening angle of your detector. In Gammaspere, this angle is ~6 degrees.

In tracking arrays, this is the angle resolution, which in turn is determined by the position resolution of the first interaction point for a tracked gamma ray: the angle resolution is the order of 0.15/0.12 degrees for GT (r=18.5 cm)/AG(r=23.5 cm).

Thus, the attenuation is down by a factor of ~1/40 and can practically be ignored

We assumed ~5mm FWHM resolution. This may not hold!  
**Mitch will discuss this in the next talk**

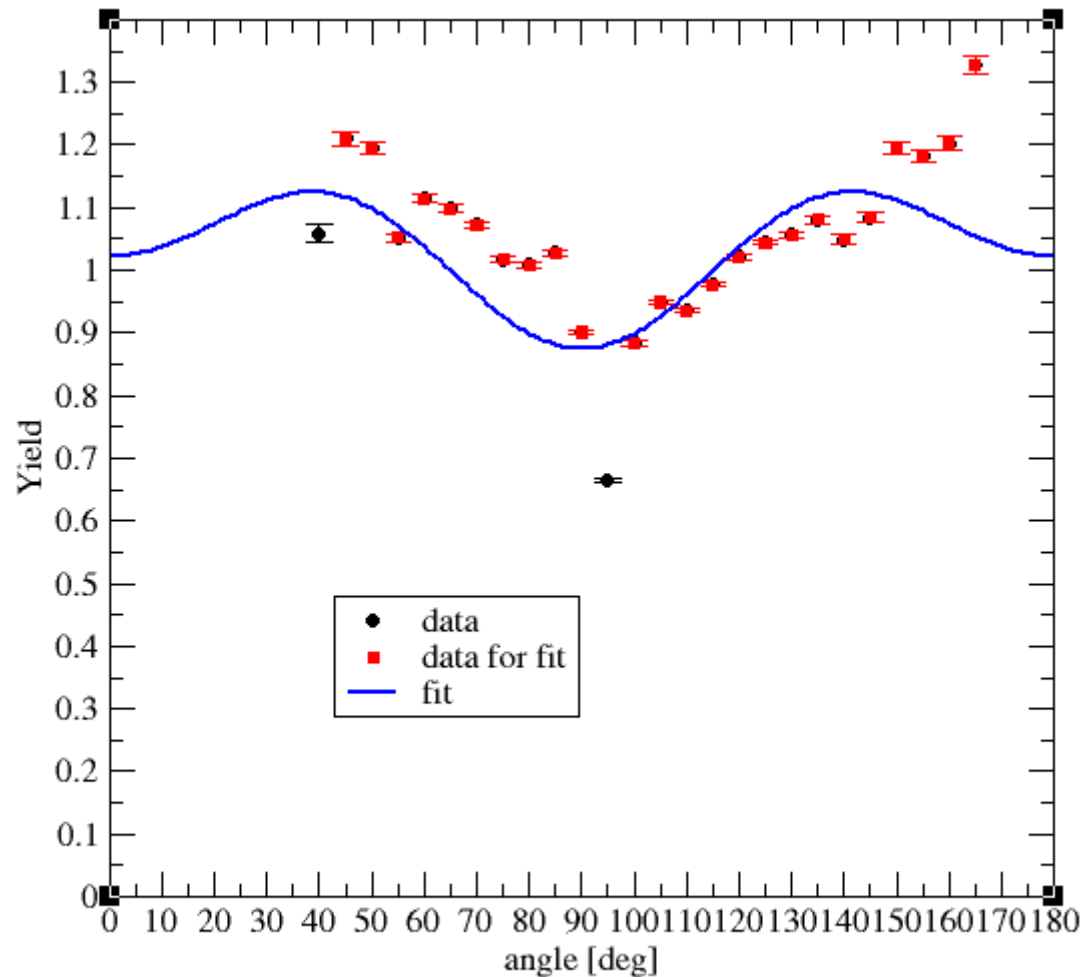
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[Work in progress...](#)

Start with ***angular distributions***  
Should be easy, right?

Bin the angle of first hit in GT of tracked gamma rays vs beam axis and normalize with a source.  
Nothing could be easier, right?

We found: All lines look a bit like this or worse:



443.3 line  
in  $^{158}\text{Er}$

$\chi^2$ : 328.522

$a_0$ : 1.014  $\pm$  0.002

$a_2$ : 0.160  $\pm$  0.005

$a_4$ : -0.151  $\pm$  0.006

Why does it not work out?

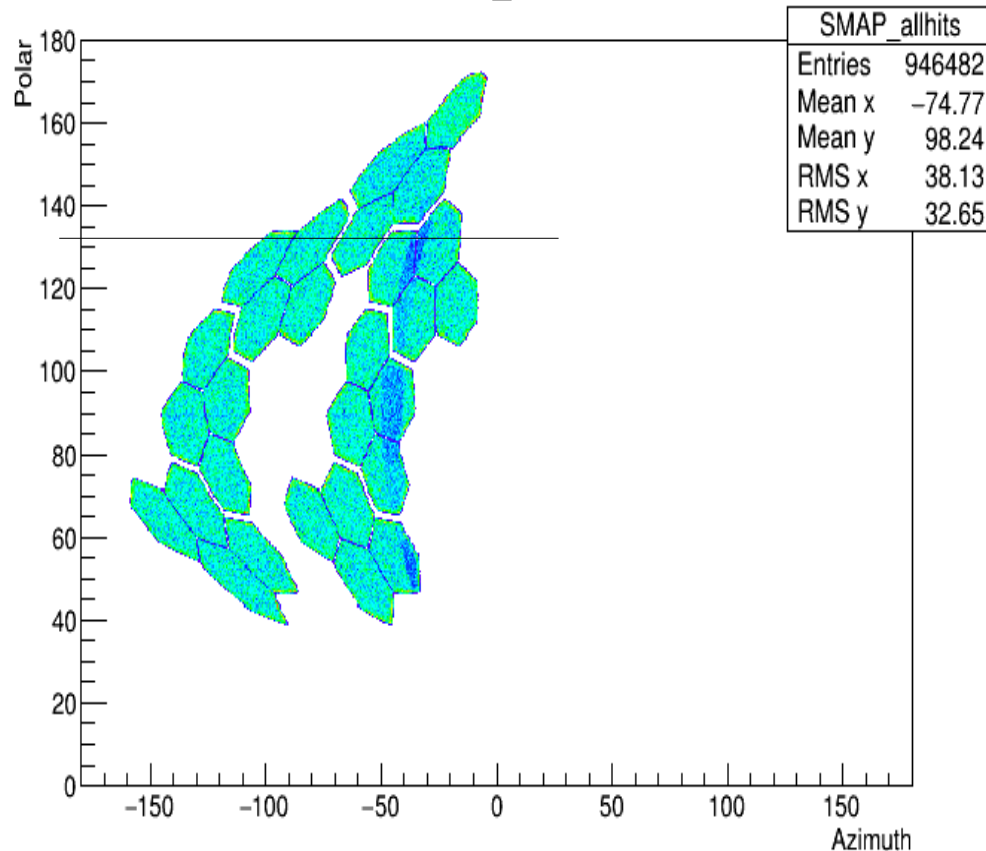
What is the problem?

# Low and higher energy world maps

(UCGretina simulations,  $^{166}\text{Ho}$ )

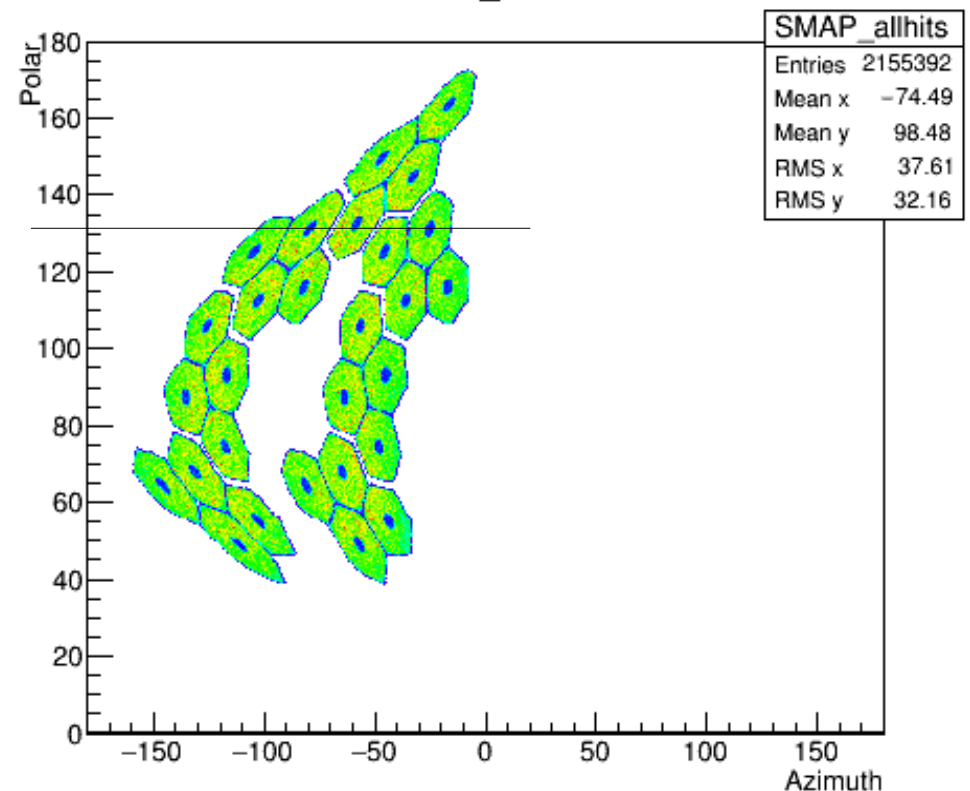
80 keV, see target chamber,  
but not holes

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810 keV, does not see  
target chamber, but  
see holes

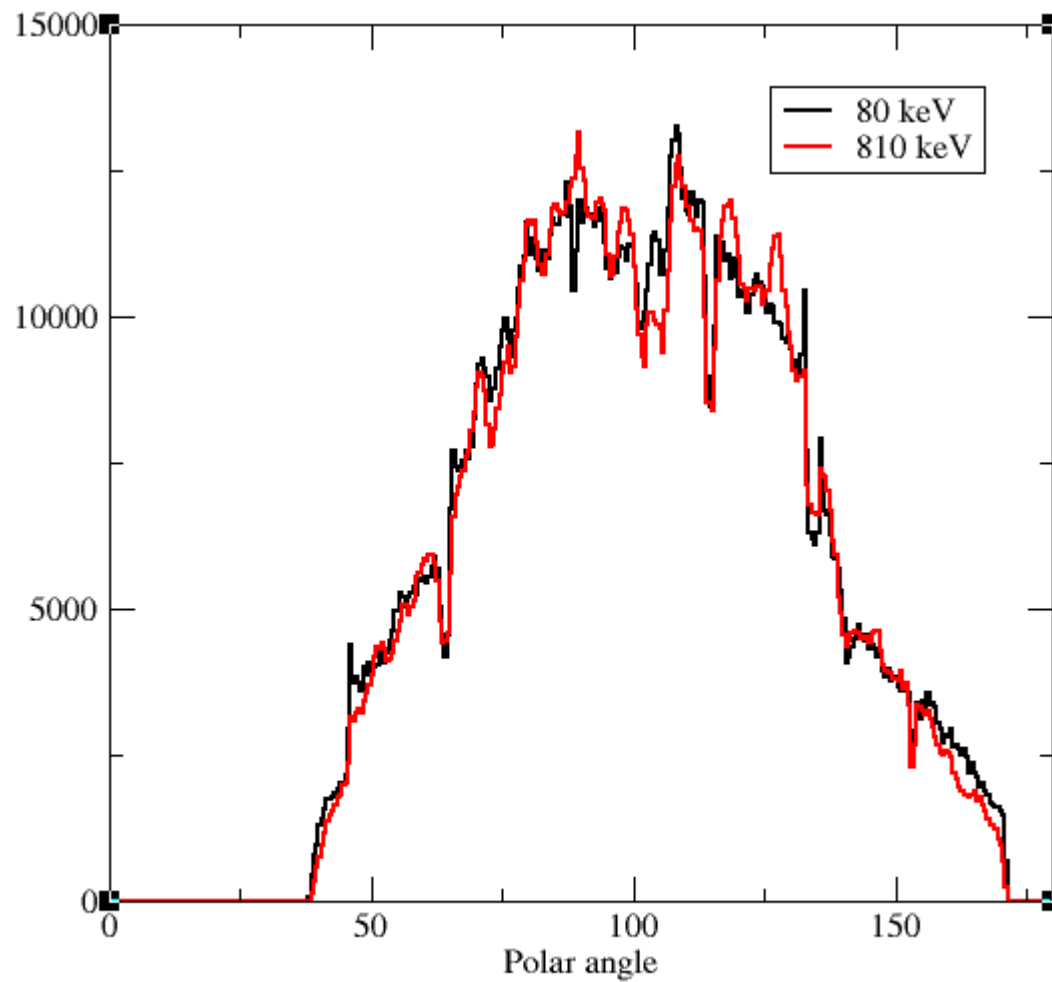
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**[1] The gamma rays will see different arrays  
as function of energy!!**

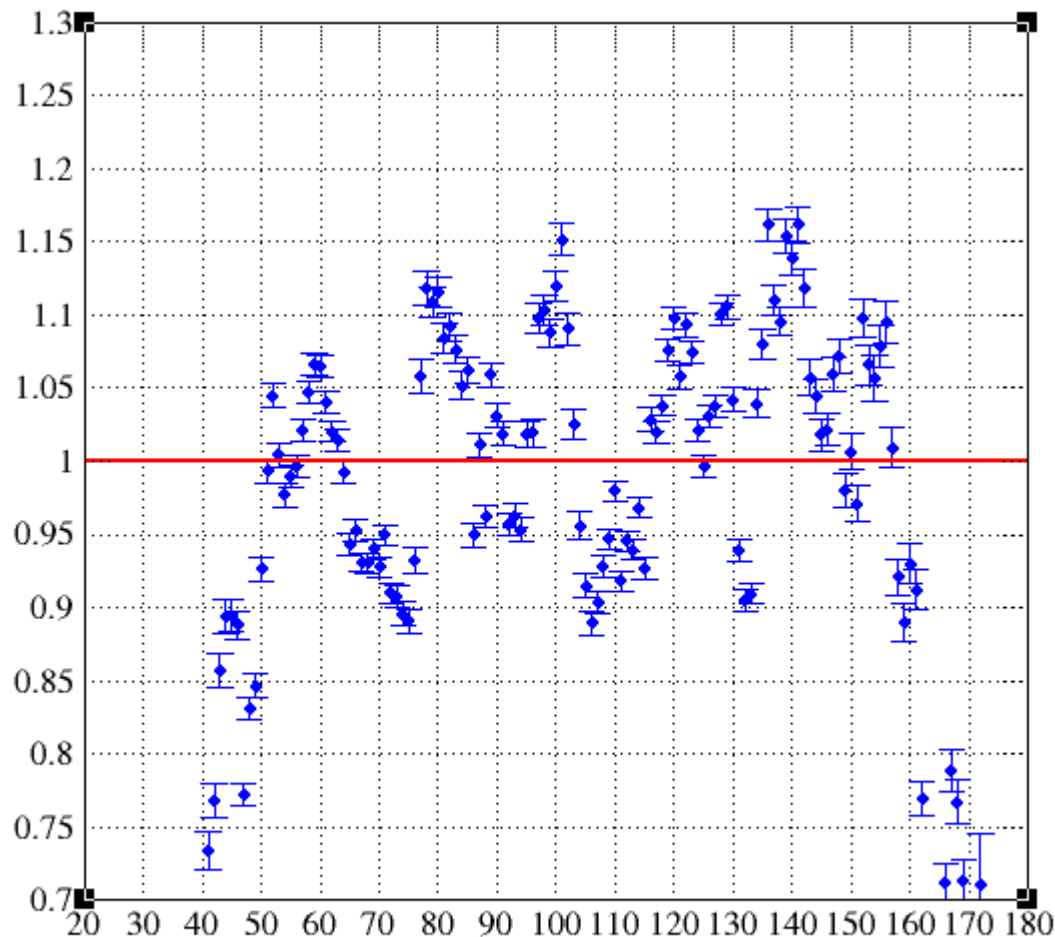
**[2] Holes and spaces pop in and  
out as function of polar angle!!  
+ outside deadlayers on tapered  
surfaces**

# Projections, 810 vs 80 keV

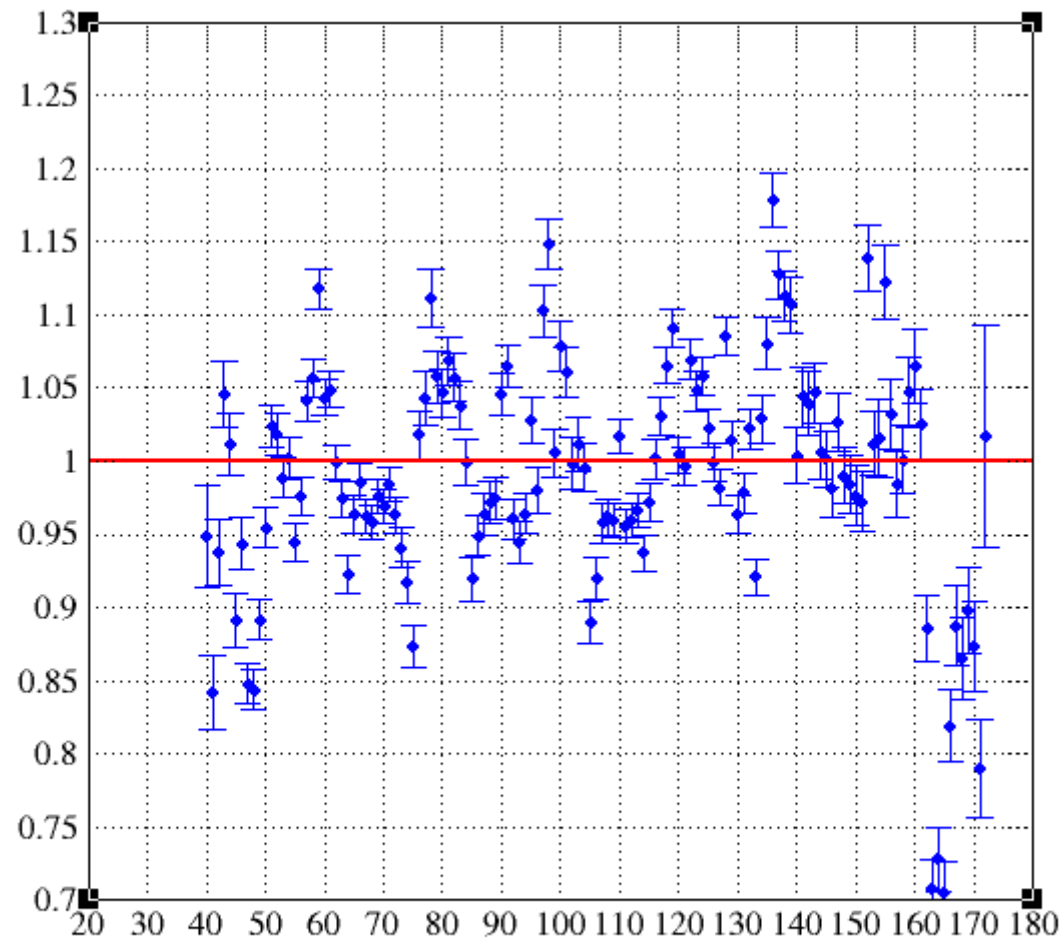


# To illustrate the problem: Ratio of polar angle spectra in $^{166}\text{Ho}$

rat.sh isotropic\_810 isotropic\_80

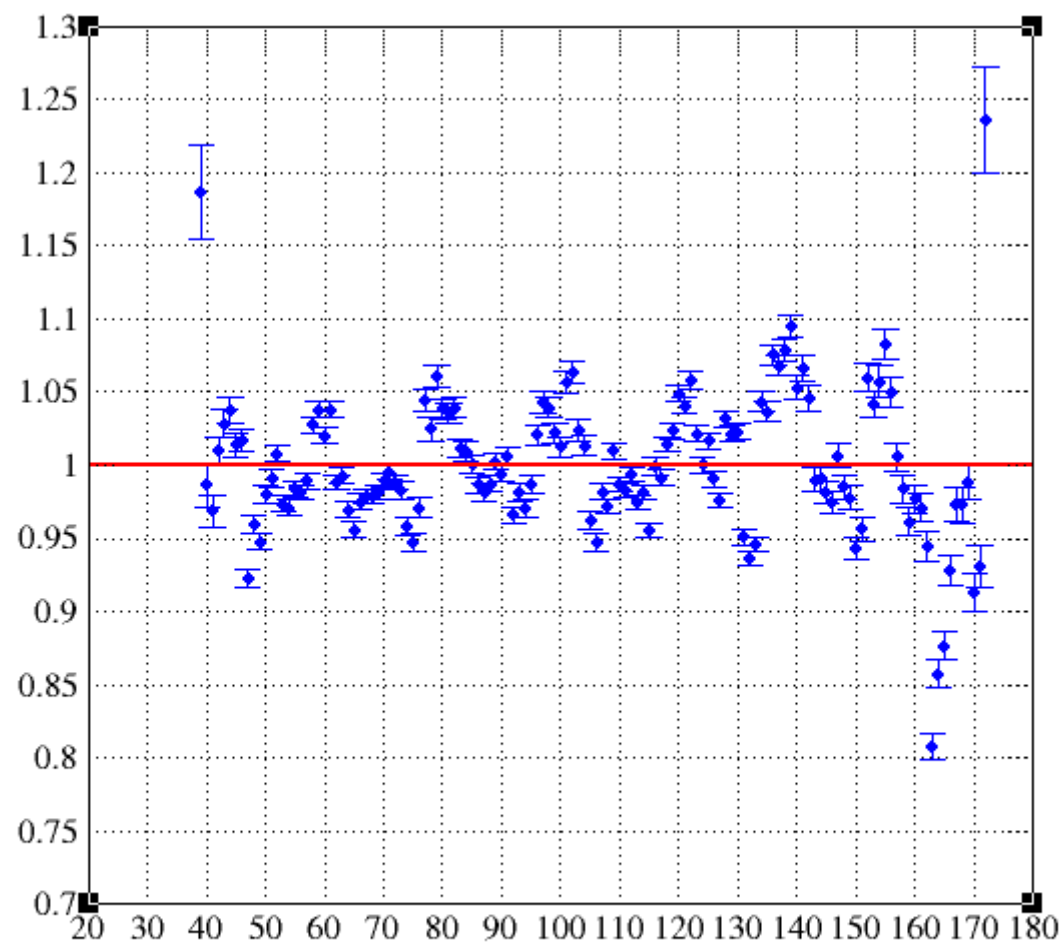


rat.sh isotropic\_411 isotropic\_80



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rat.sh isotropic\_184 isotropic\_80





# It is difficult to construct a good normalization spectrum

- Why was this not a problem in Gammaspere?
- Because we go by rings, and each ring has the same hole to Germanium ratio
- Thus, the polar angle spectrum for different energies only has an offset to them, but no structure with respect to polar angle
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- **The tiling of tracking arrays makes it more difficult to construct a proper normalization spectrum.**

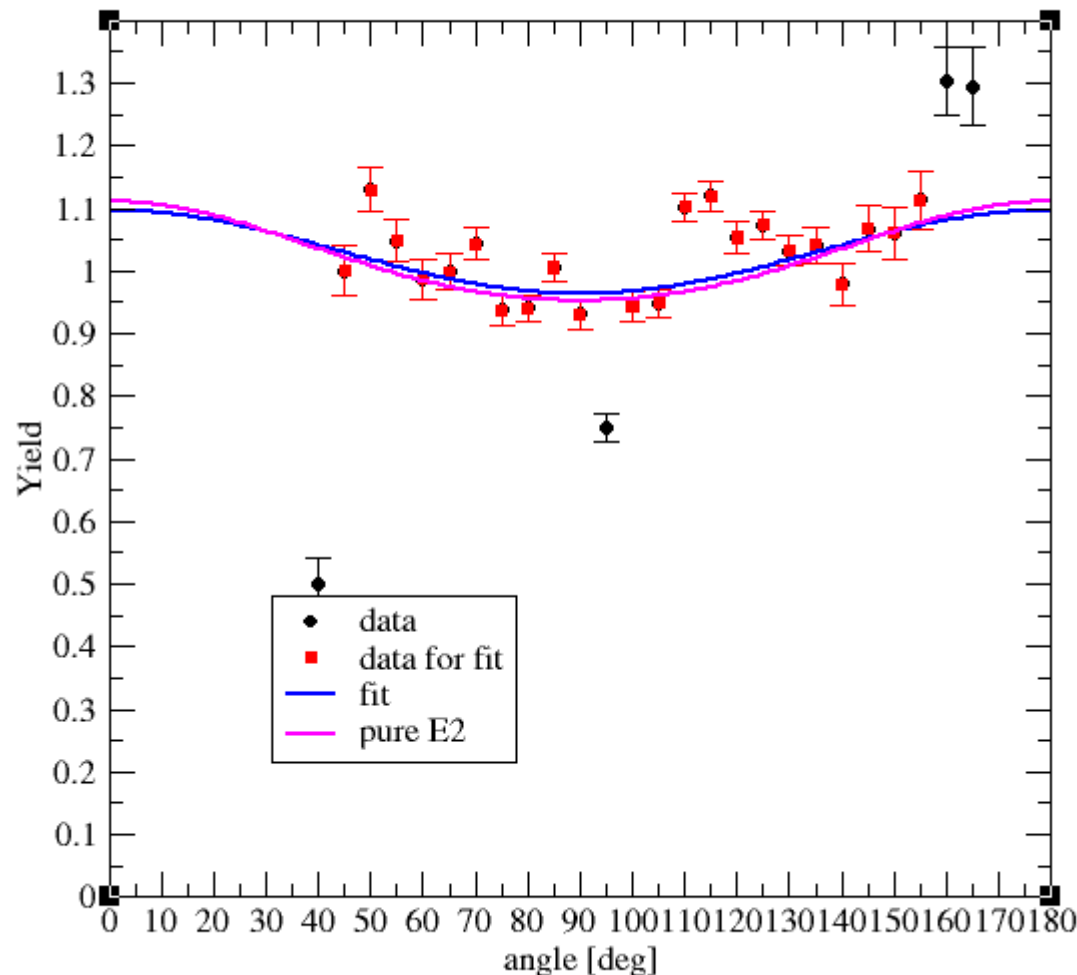
# Solutions?

- use simulations to normalization (nope...)
- use nearby source lines (better)
- use *energy weighted source lines* to recreate the energy of interest
- for thick targets, use activation line(s)

Background subtraction becomes important as the Compton background originates from lines at higher energies and therefore see a different array compare to the line above it

**Stay tuned for new results... ongoing**

# Gretina:443 keV line in $^{158}\text{Er}$ in-beam angular distribution extraction



Used 411 and 451 keV  
angular distributions in  
 $^{166}\text{Ho}$  for normalization  
(energy weighted)

a0,a2 fit>>>

chi\*\*2: 16.748

a0: 1.008 +/- 0.007

a2: 0.088 +/- 0.020

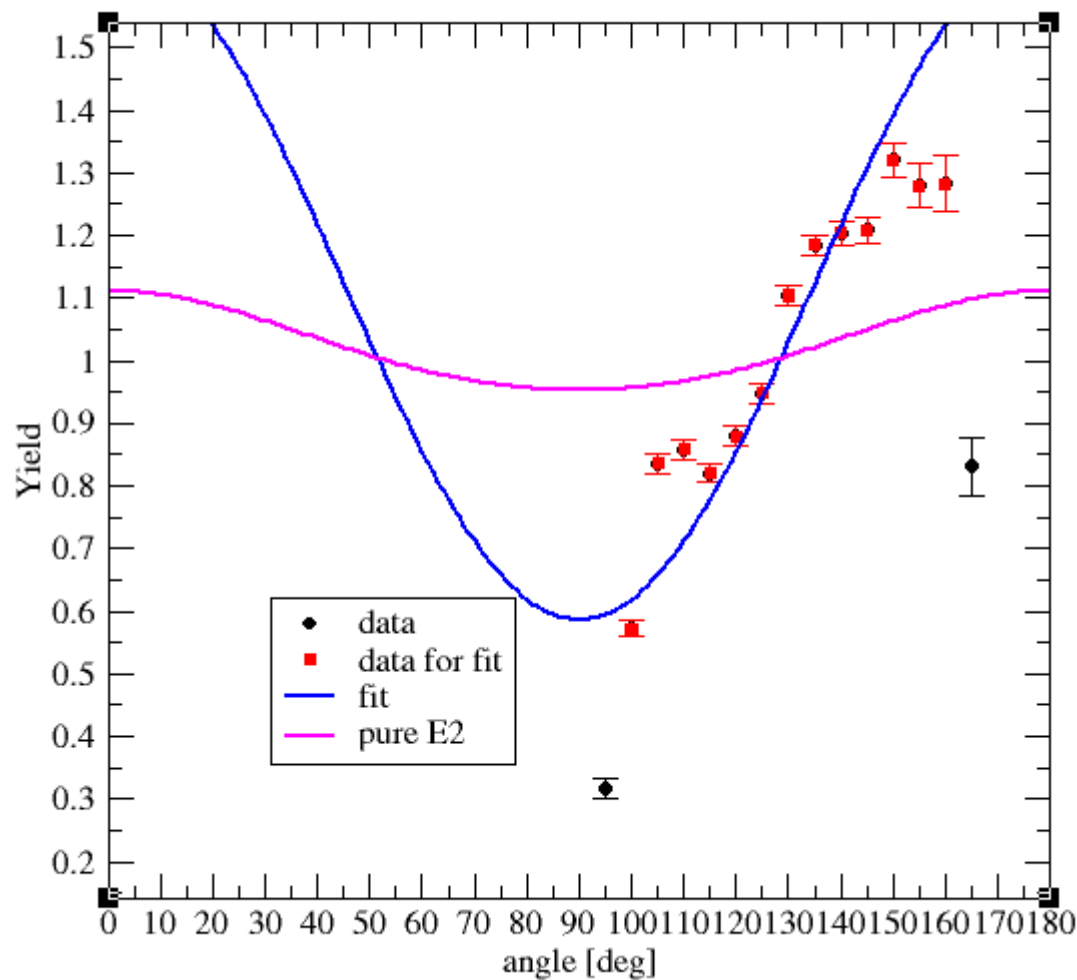
8+ to 6+ line

First look

# AGATA: 158Er 443 keV line

with 413 KeV activation line as reference

May not be OK...



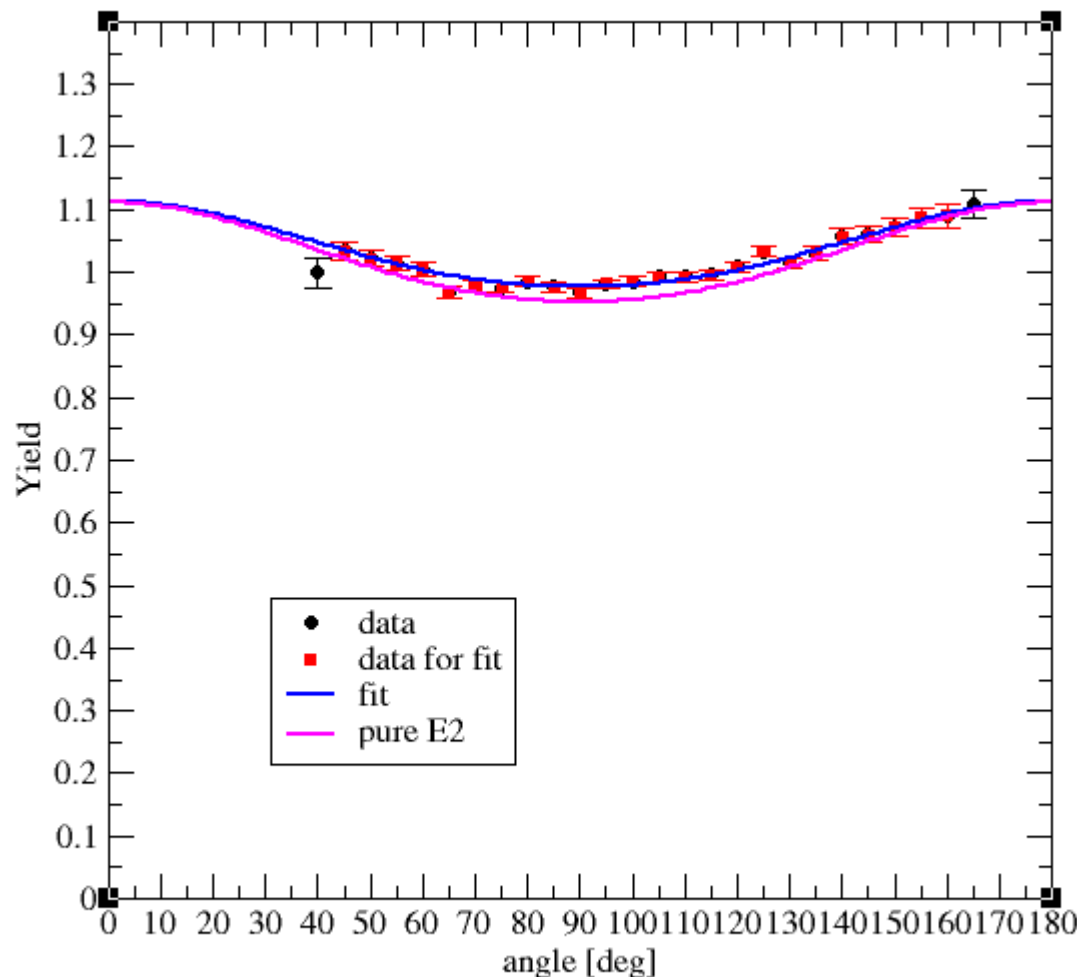
chi\*\*2: 54.806

a0: 0.945 +/- 0.005

a2: 0.759 +/- 0.015

## software check

UCGretina simulation, 443 Kev line in  $^{158}\text{Er}$   
(ref spectrum simulated with  $A2=A4=0$ )



chi\*\*2: 1.176  
a0: 1.017 +/- 0.003  
a2: 0.086 +/- 0.008  
a4: 0.009 +/- 0.009

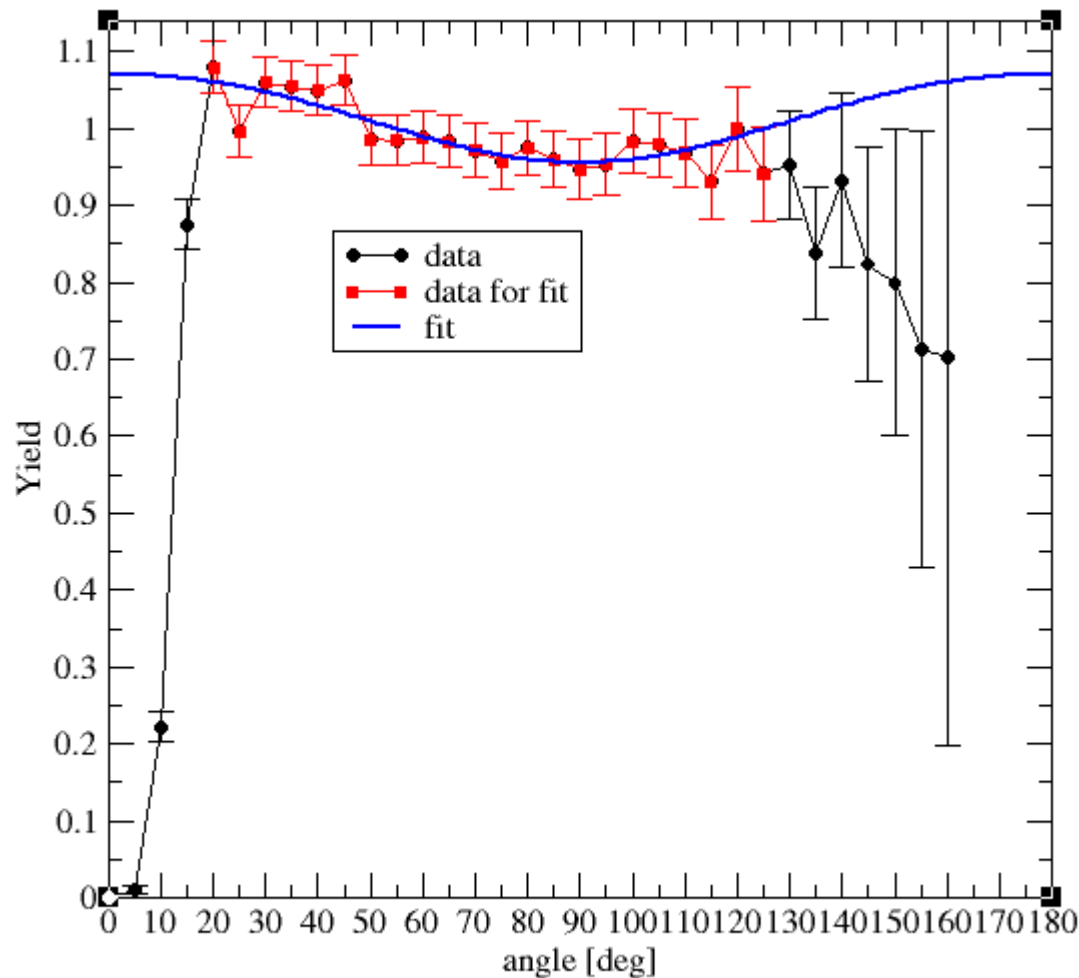
The way we  
extract the  
angular  
distribution  
seems OK.

# How about angular correlations

- Here we have two things going for us:
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- [1] Since we bin the angle between gamma rays, the problems we just discussed gets '**averaged out**'
- [2] We can make a very good normalization spectrum, from the in-beam data itself, by mixing events that are not in coincidence (and therefore cannot have an angular correlation)

# with background subtraction: 10-8-6 in $^{158}\text{Er}$

angcor\_par 523.3 579.3 490 590 2 6

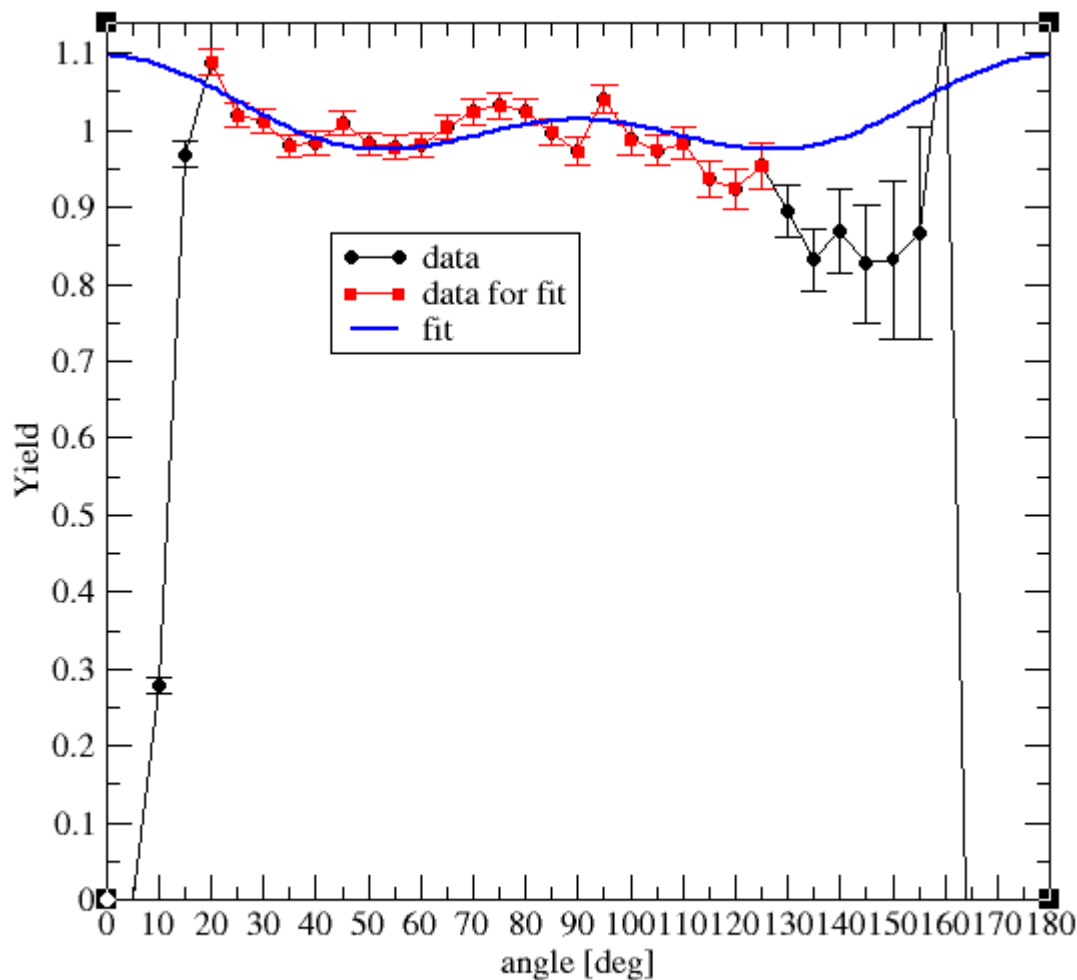


chi\*\*2: 0.468  
a0: 0.997 +/- 0.008  
a2: 0.080 +/- 0.018  
a4: -0.006 +/- 0.027

Seems the errors are  
overestimated, why!?

# with background subtraction sum67.root, 4-2-0

angcor\_par 192.3 335.3 180 325 2 6



chi\*\*2: 2.122  
a0: 1.002 +/- 0.004  
a2: 0.027 +/- 0.008  
a4: 0.068 +/- 0.013

This is clearly not good....  
Maybe too much background?  
(Mitch next)

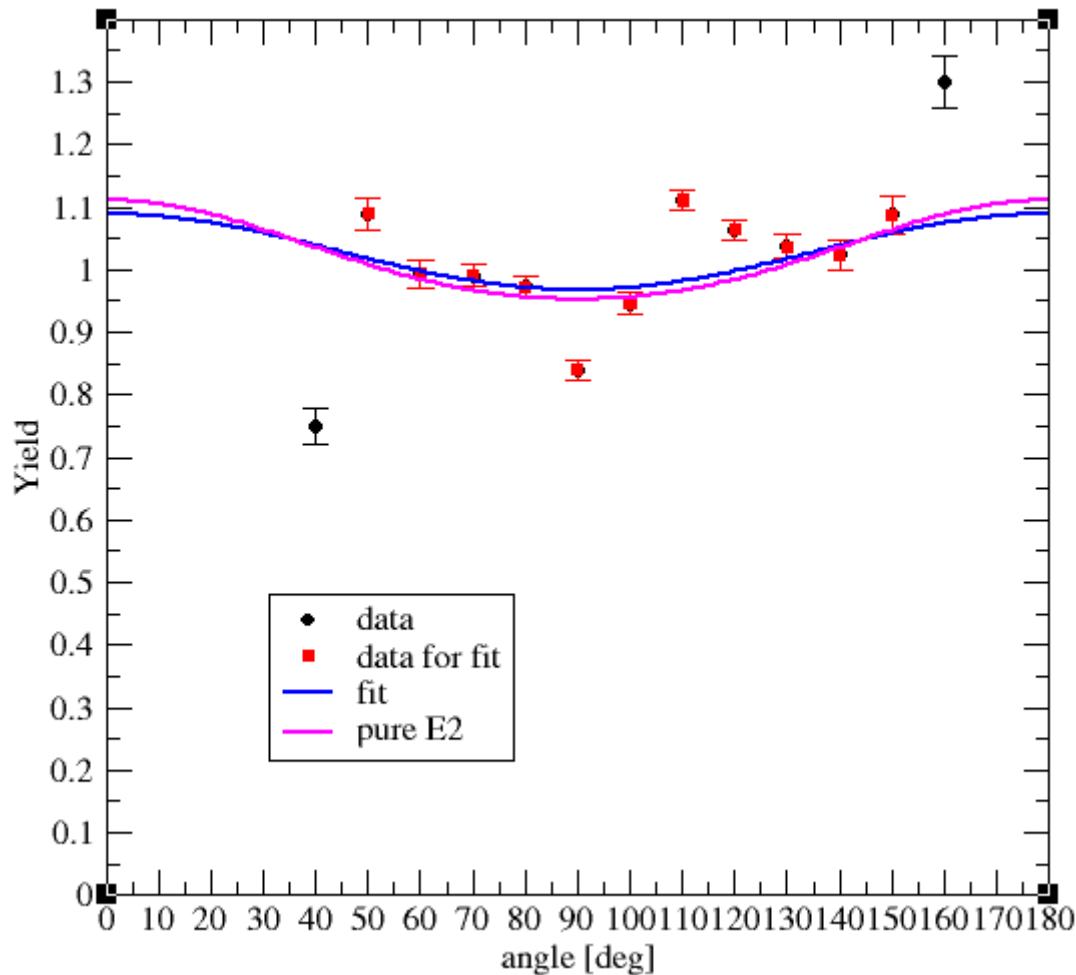


# Conclusions

- Angular distributions using tracked data from tracking arrays is tricky because of the tiling
- Angular correlations do better; but we find problems at low energies/spins (see Mitch talk next)
- Clearly, we have to work more on this, stay tuned...
- We need to do same analysis for AGATA which has a different tiling.

# Extra slides

# Angdis 10 deg binning



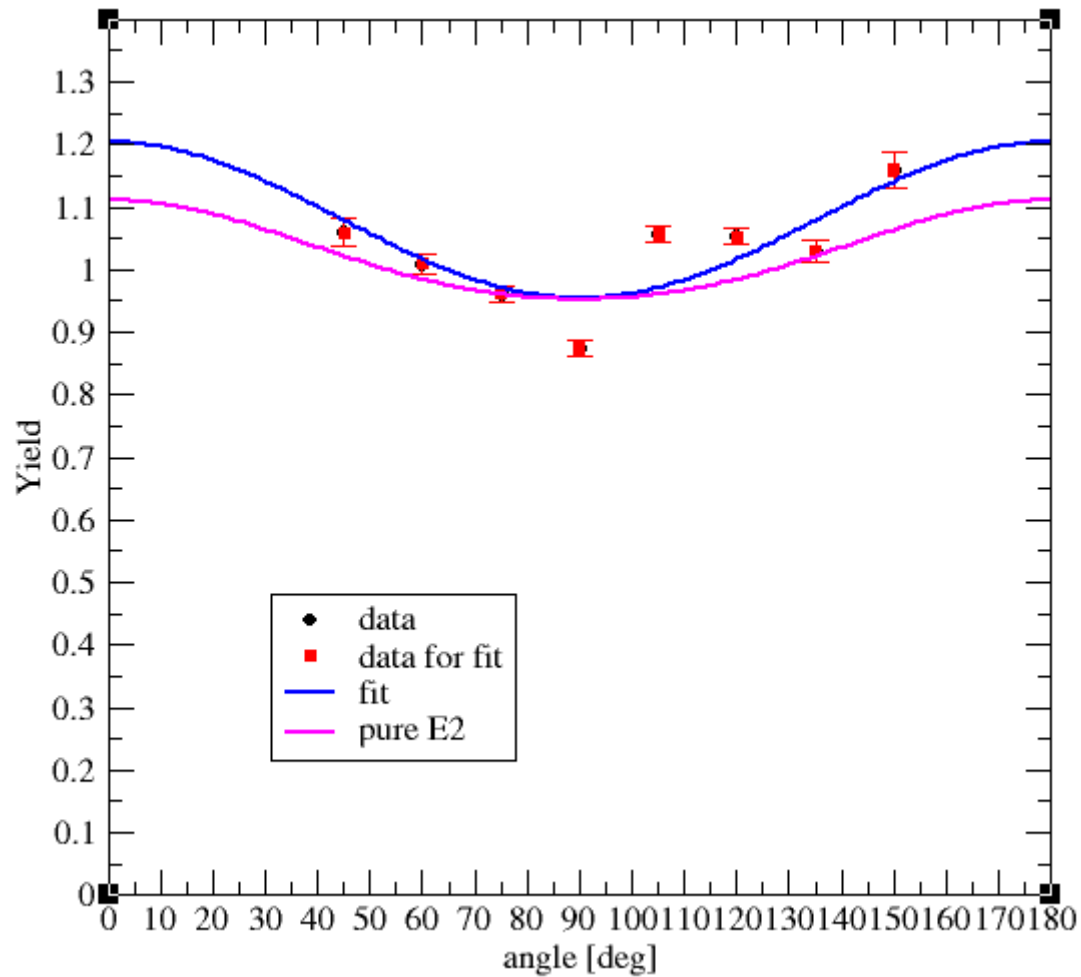
a0,a2 fit>>>

chi\*\*2: 22.367

a0: 1.008 +/- 0.007

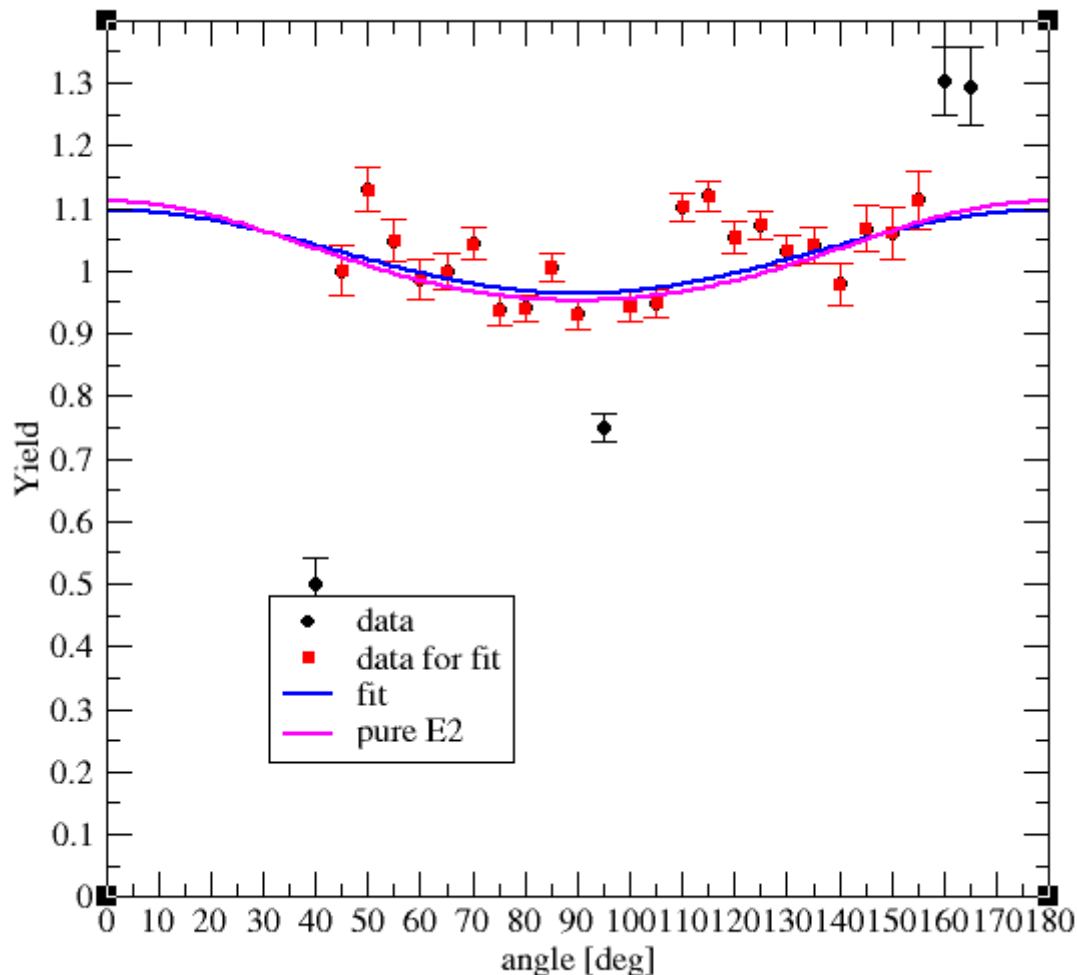
a2: 0.080 +/- 0.018

# Angdis 15 deg



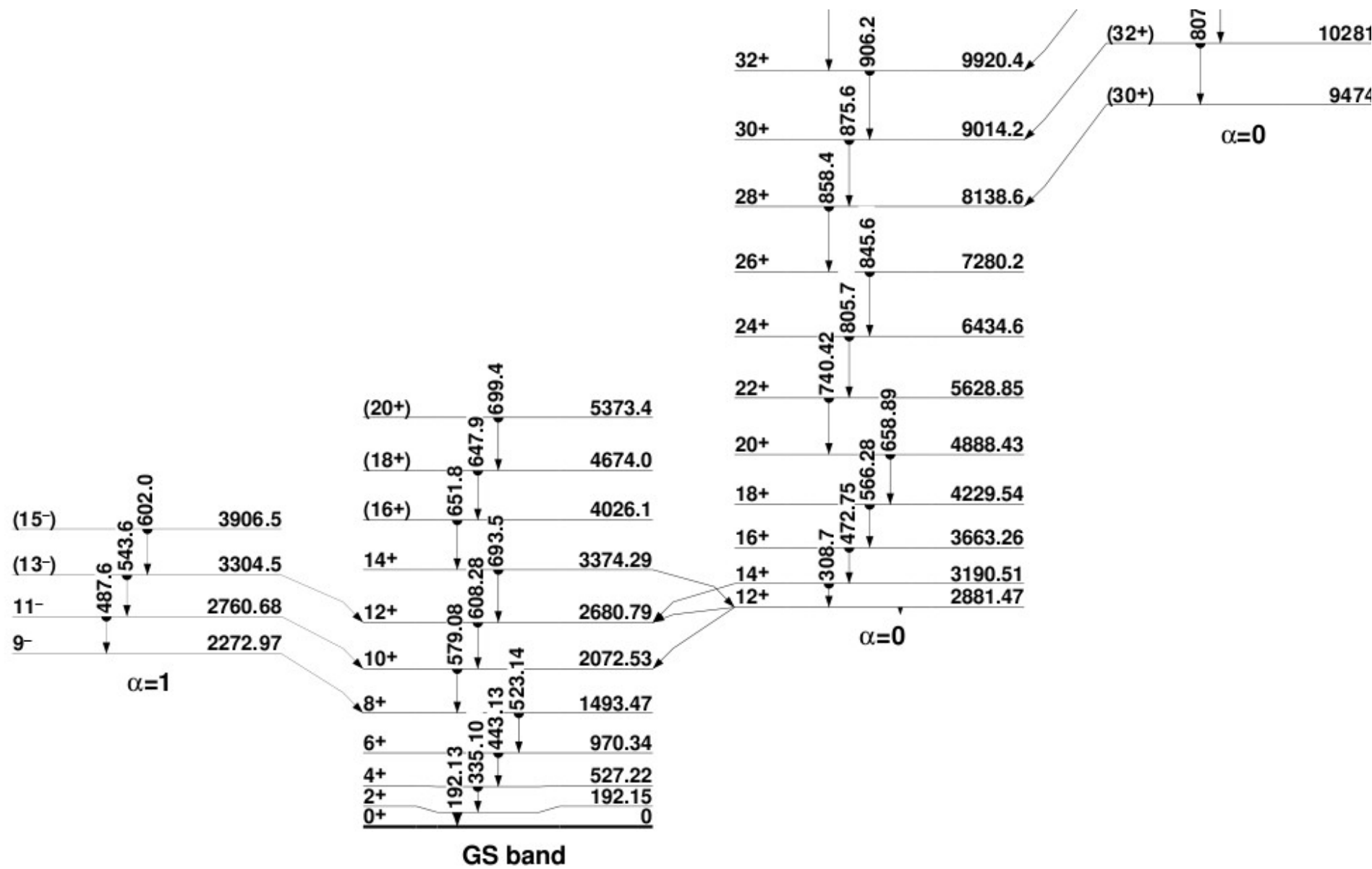
chi\*\*2: 13.314  
a0: 1.038 +/- 0.007  
a2: 0.160 +/- 0.018

# Use background spectrum as the 'isotropic'



...Not a good thing to do  
since we do not know the  
background spectrum well

chi\*\*2: 16.748  
a0: 1.008 +/- 0.007  
a2: 0.088 +/- 0.020



$^{158}_{68}\text{Er}$