The Development of Novel Pulse Shape Analysis Techniques for AGATA

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### Pulse Shape Analysis (PSA)

- $\gamma$ -ray tracking requires positions at resolution ~5mm M3D at ~5kHz/CPU.
- Positions must be inferred from electrical response (PSA).
- Complex detector response makes parametric methods insufficient.
- Instead we simulate the detector response in ADL 3.0
- Interaction locations are then determined by optimisation metrics:

Figure of Merit = 
$$\sum_{j} \sum_{t_i} |A_m^j[t_i] - A_s^j[t_i]|^p$$



- Dataset is effectively 50,000 points, each with 37x121 values.
- My work is on developing Novel PSA techniques for AGATA.
  - Faster, more accurate.



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### **Detector Simulation**

- Basis sets are typically precomputed at 2mm cubic grid spacing.
- Reliant on external SIMION potentials.



### Simulation Limitations & Irregularities

- SIMION Field simulation limited to 0.5mm spacing.
- SIMION front segmentation is wrong.
- Unexplained 'charge sharing' between segments.
  - Overlap of SIMION definitions? (Confirmed by Marco AW:2019)
- Sharp discontinuities at edge changes (over-relaxation flaw?)







#### **SIMION Field Segment A1 Definition**



### Simulations Moving Forward

- New detector simulation package has been developed by LEGEND: SolidStateDetectors.jl
- Written in Julia, multithreaded implementation with GPU (CUDA) support.
- Utilises ADL mobility models for simulation.
- Uses Cartesian & cylindrical geometry systems.
- Geometry defined off primitives, implicitly defined:
- Produces rectilinear grids of  $\rho$ ,  $\epsilon$ , weighting potentials, could be converted to .pa files.
- Produces charge trajectories, pulses, ∴ full simulation possible.
- Calculates depletion volumes, voltages.
- AGATA crystals are far from simplistic:
  - Difficult to properly define using existing primitives.
  - Instead I added Tri-mesh support into the geometry constructor.
  - Computation is significantly more intensive .. I multithreaded it.
- All fields & potentials are generated, CAO needs to be checked before simulatior







### Simulations Moving Forward

- My PSA methods don't rely on Euclidean information for navigation.
  - Maps & relationships are self-organized off pulse shape.
  - Most mapping occurs in non-Euclidean space anyways.
  - ... we don't need to keep a cubic or polar grid system.
- Other basis organisations could be used:
  - Adaptive Tetra-mesh.
  - Rectilinear grid.
- Work ongoing adding support for SolidStateDetectors control.



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### Novel Algorithm Development

**Graph-accelerated** techniques try to organize data and form efficient search spaces.

- Search spaces can be Non-Euclidean
- Searching n points can be  $O \log(n)$ ,
  - AGS is  $\mathcal{O} \sqrt{n}$  at best

**Machine Learning** (ML) uses the simulated basis to learn trends via feature extraction.

- No searching is performed whatsoever.
- Simulated basis only needed for training.
- Needs an appropriate model & good data.
- No method for higher fold.



### Novel Algorithm Development

#### **Graph-accelerated approaches:**

- ▶ *k*NN *k*-dimensional Nearest Neighbors.
- LSH Locality-based Sensitivity Hashing.
- ST/DT MKS Maximum Kernel Search.
- ANN methods (FAISS, HNSW, NGT, NanoFLANN)

#### ML approaches:

- Fold Determination.
- Position Regression (CNN).
- Autoencoding/Fingerprinting ( $\beta$ -VAE).



#### **Other options:**

► GPU Accelerated parallel search.

### **Dimensionality Reduction**

- Current signal response is over-descriptive.
  - Massive covariance in signal response.
- Can we embed the response in fewer dimensions?
- Lower-dimensional space requires preserved homology:
  - Check MST, connectivity, point density, reconstruction loss.
- Linear transforms *should* still allow for graph algorithms to work:
  - Won't work for all distance metrics.
- Nonlinear transforms form better reconstructions but embedded space is less useful.
  - Signal compression for data storage?

#### Alternate option is Autoencoders

- Can give a better reconstruction
- Generally slower
- Embedded space ranges in usefulness

#### **MST Homology Persistence**



### HNSW & Facebook AI Similarity Search (FAISS)

- FAISS is a k-NN search algorithm developed by Facebook AI labs (2018)
- Utilises A coarse HNSW Quantizer:
  - Hierarchical greedy graph traversal.
  - Allows for Billion-scale indexing.
- Optimised for mass execution:
  - Multi CPU computation using Heap Parallelisation.
  - Multi GPU computation using Sharding & Replication.
  - Perfect for multi-node PSA servers.
- Slightly faster performance than HNSWLIB, better prediction accuracy.
- GPU accelerated using Quadro RTX 5000



### FAISS Performance Scaling



### **Experimental Validation**

- Coincidence scanning of A005 will be used to validate simulations, ML efforts and PSCS method (IPHC, Strasbourg & Salamanca).
- Will provide a definitive & time-aligned basis for GEANT4.
  - Allows for proper simulations of high-fold events.
- Currently using Caen 1724s, requires GO box & a lot of conversion:
  - ► AGATA  $\rightarrow$  BNC  $\rightarrow$  LIMO  $\rightarrow$  SMA  $\rightarrow$  MCX
- Analysis using MTSort 5.2 (with improved CUDA Trans-piler)
- ▶ 1GBq  $^{137}$ Cs source collimated to 1mm on *x*, *y* stage, 0.5mm steps.
  - Currently ~ 180 (x, y) scan positions at 2 crystal depths, ~ 1500 usable pulses.
- 90° scatter using BGO array & energy gating (374 & 288keV).
- Several <sup>241</sup>Am scans performed at varying resolutions.
- ▶ In total ~20 million pulses, 2TB of compressed data.
- ▶ Must be converted from EUROGAM  $\rightarrow$  CSV  $\rightarrow$  NPY for PSA.
  - Process will take weeks, ~ 10TB of storage.

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#### Completed Scan positions



Experimental Results

#### **Example Optimum Solution**

#### **Pencil Beam Reconstruction**



### **Observed Execution Rates**



### Experimental Results: Pencil Beam Projection

- Some predictions far from collimation beam.
  - Matched pulses suggest Compton Scattering.
    - Cold finger Backscatters?
  - No energy gating used, low energy events?
    - Fold gating imperfect?
- Only first PSA prediction used, TDA methods are k-NN.
  - ▶ ∴ No penalty returning top 5 results.
  - λ-Ray Tracking will need adapting.
- Current processing rate of ~400kHz, likely larger for more events.
  - Will improve with better hardware (Dual RTX 3090's ?)



### The Problem of Higher Fold

- Within AGATA multiple interactions may occur simultaneously.
- Mixing fraction is unknown for Fold-2<sub>1</sub>
- PSA uses normalised signal responses : they exist in the same search space.
- *k*NN is not designed to search for 2 mixed vectors.
- Precomputing for *k*NN is *'somewhat'* feasible:
  - $50,000 \rightarrow 1,250,000,000$  minimum points
    - Splitting via hit segments into 1,300 trees would require bunching.
  - Realistically far more due to granularity ( $n \sim 10$ ).
  - Execution times might not be awful  $(\ln(500,000) \approx 13)$
  - Exorbitant memory costs but DR reduces this (~8GB for Fold-2<sub>2</sub>, n = 1)
    - Nvidia A6000 has 48GB of GDDR6X  $\therefore n \sim 6$
- Machine Learning models also struggle:
  - No easy way to deconvolve signals (ICA will not work)
  - ... No way to form inference
- If Fold-2 sounds difficult imagine what Fold-3 is like



### Fold 2 – Coincident Responses

Fold-2: Single Segment, AKA:  $Fold - 2_1$ 

Fold-2: Dual Segment , AKA:  $Fold - 2_2$ 



Fold-2 Single segment looks pretty much identical to a Fold-1 response

### Fold-2 in Response Space: Fold – 21

- All lines are constrained to within a segment
- .: Easy to confuse with Fold-1
- Mixing Ratio (α) unknown



### Fold-2 in Response Space: Fold – 22

- Now lines can exist outside the segments
- 97% of Fold-2 combinations are Fold-2<sub>2</sub>
- Mixing ratio (α) well known



# $1^{st}$ Adaption: Solution Cells are now Balls of radius r



### 2<sup>nd</sup> Adaption: Pair cells are also Balls



### Recursive Pair Culling on M-Trees

- Metric is applied to a hierarchical graph structure.
- This allows for recursive culling of solutions.





### Recursive Pair Culling on M-Trees

- Only a fraction of pairs are calculated & stored.
- Much faster to compute & search.





**Culled, Parent-Culled, Child-Culled** 

### Pros & Cons

**Pros:** 

- Selection metric scales well with higher fold:
  - Just add free parameters for other energy fractions
- No complicated high-D geometry to solve (e.g. union of Voronoi Cells)
- All radii & vectors generated during cover tree formation
  - Culling is entirely offline
- $\alpha$  determination at higher levels forms bounds for lower levels.
  - Trivial for Fold-2<sub>2</sub>

#### Cons:

- Metric will only work in linear subspaces.
  - Can't form fast matrix inverse
- Fold-1 solution may be far from query point
  - Add in some Fold-2 solutions
- Pure Python implementation
  - Slow



#### Realistic M-Tree





### Conclusion

- Ongoing work for novel detector simulation using advanced adaptive techniques.
  - Emphasis on cross-detector compatibility & flexibility.
- Development of several methods for *k*-NN search:
  - MKS, *k*-NN, KRANN, LSH, NanoFLANN, HNSW, FAISS.
  - Multithreaded, Multi-CPU & Multi-GPU supported.
  - Several times faster than existing AGS
- Initial Experimental Validation looks promising.
- Optimisation of PSA ongoing.
- Fold-n Metric proposed to determine combinations.
- Realistic test on PSA server hardware possible?

## Thanks for Listening

Any Questions?





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