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Machine learning and imaging approaches to improve the AGATA position resolution

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### In -beam Gamma -ray spectroscopy: Doppler correction



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### AGATA: Advanced GAmma Tracking Array

- Consists of 50 HPGe detectors(40 has been used in site and 180 are planned to complete  $4\pi$  sphere).
	- $\checkmark$  High efficiency due to the continuous HPGe crystals.
	- $\checkmark$  State of the art energy resolution 2keV at 1.33MeV.
- Capable of tracking Gamma-rays.
	- $\checkmark$  Accurate Doppler correction.
	- $\checkmark$  Better photopeak to background ratio.



### AGATA: highly segmented HPGe

- Electronic segmentation.
	- $\checkmark$  No physical segmentation of the crystal(no dead layers between the segments).
	- $\checkmark$  Increases the detection efficiency.
- Allows for accurate measurement of the interaction point of the gamma ray.



### PSA: Pulse Shape Analysis algorithm

- Simulated databases of signals are built for each crystal.
	- $\checkmark$  Each database has a 2mm Cartesian grid of points.
	- $\times$  700-2000 Points per segment.
- An adaptive grid search is used to find the point with the closest simulated signal to the measured one.
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# The tracking of the gamma ray

- Gamma-ray are tracked back to the source using Compton diffusion formula.
	- $\checkmark$  Allows for the determination of the first interaction point.
		- $\checkmark$  Accurate Doppler correction.
	- $\checkmark$  Improve the photopeak to background ratio.





### AGATA capabilities

The tracking method reduces the low energy background significantly.



# Doppler correction with PSA + Tracking 10



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### Improving the PSA

- To improve the PSA we need to improve the databases.
	- $\checkmark$  By improving the simulations.
	- $\vee$  By replacing the simulations with experimental data.
	- $\checkmark$  In both cases we need experimental databases.
- Experimental databases were produced at Strasbourg.
	- $\checkmark$  To produce the databases the crystal had to be scanned.
	- $\checkmark$  Scanning the crystal means that we measure signals at every point of the crystal.
	- $\checkmark$  A prototype crystal was scanned
	- $\sqrt{ }$  The source used is 137Cs.



### The scanning process

- 1 vertical  $(X, Y)$  and 1 horizontal $(X, Z)$ scan.
- To get a 3D databases, a *χ*2 analysis of both datasets is done.
- **This method has been validated and** published but it's very time consuming (5 days for the PSCS analysis)



#### Neural networks to produce the 3D databases

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### Neural networks: LSTM

- ▶ 2 Long short-term memory (LSTM) layers were used.
	- $\vee$  LSTMs can process sequences of data like the signals.
	- $\checkmark$  Are very robust and are not affected by time misalignments.
- The loss function was calculated only for the two known axis, this allows the network to learn patterns of each dataset without affecting the other.

![](_page_19_Figure_6.jpeg)

### Data preparation

- The data must be homogenous to avoid bias from the neural network.
	- $\checkmark$  Only 10 signals/voxel are kept.
	- $\times$  500k signals per scan in total.
- Gate on the 662KeV photopeak and selection of segment multiplicity of 1.
	- $\checkmark$  To avoid Compton scattering signals and assure the signals at the right position.
- Remove dummy signals.

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### Analysis of neural network results

- The two known axis are compared with the predictions of the network.
- The bad predictions can be due to bad signals.
- ▶ Only the predictions with error on the known axis of less than 1mm are kept.

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#### Neural network results: Vertical scan distribution 17

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## Neural network results: Horizontal scan distribution

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![](_page_23_Figure_1.jpeg)

### Neural network results: Vertical Signals 19

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### Neural network results: Horizontal signals 20

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# PSCS method signals

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### Neural network Vs PSCS

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### Imaging using Compton scattering

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### Imaging using an optimizer

- The scattering angle can be calculated from the energy and from the position.
- Minimizing the difference between the two will give the source position

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Difference between the calculated compton angle using the energy and the position

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### Imaging using Compton scattering

#### Imaging of a source located at (0,0,50)mm in the sphere of AGATA

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![](_page_30_Figure_5.jpeg)

#### Experimental position error Two times the experimental position error Experimental position error with bad tracking

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### Conclusions and prospects.

- The neural network 30 minutes for training and 1 hour to process the two scans compared to 5 day.
- Since we can't know what is the exact position of a signal, it's complicated to determine which method is more accurate.
- We developed a fast imaging method using Compton scattering to characterize the PSA.
- The imaging method will be used to characterize the results of the neural network.
- This work can open the door for neural network PSA.

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# Thank you for your attention  $\odot$

### Imaging using Compton scattering

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### Imaging using 3D histograms 28

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# Results of the minimizer with experimental data <sup>29</sup>

- This source run was conducted during GANIL campaign in the autumn of 2021.
- The source used is Eu located at (0,0,-55)mm.

#### Tracking Z position at the center 175 150 125  $\frac{15}{9}$ 100 75 50 25  $-60.0$   $-57.5$   $-55.0$   $-52.5$   $-50.0$   $-47.5$   $-45.0$   $-42.5$   $-40.0$  $Z/mm$

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#### FWHM: 4.5mm 3.83mm 3.78mm

### Analysis of neural network results

▶ Only 2% of the predicted segments were wrong.

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### Neural network results

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## The Strasbourg scanning tables

- A motorized collimator with a 10*μm* precision.
- A system allowing the placement of the detector in vertical and horizontal positions.
- A laser alignment system.
- Detector scanned in this work: the symmetric S001 crystal, with a 137Cs source.

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