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Isospin Mixing in the N=Z Nucleus ^{80}Zr at Medium Temperature



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Isospin Mixing in ^{80}Zr

The Ground State of most of nuclei has

$$\text{Isospin } I = I_z = (N - Z)/2$$

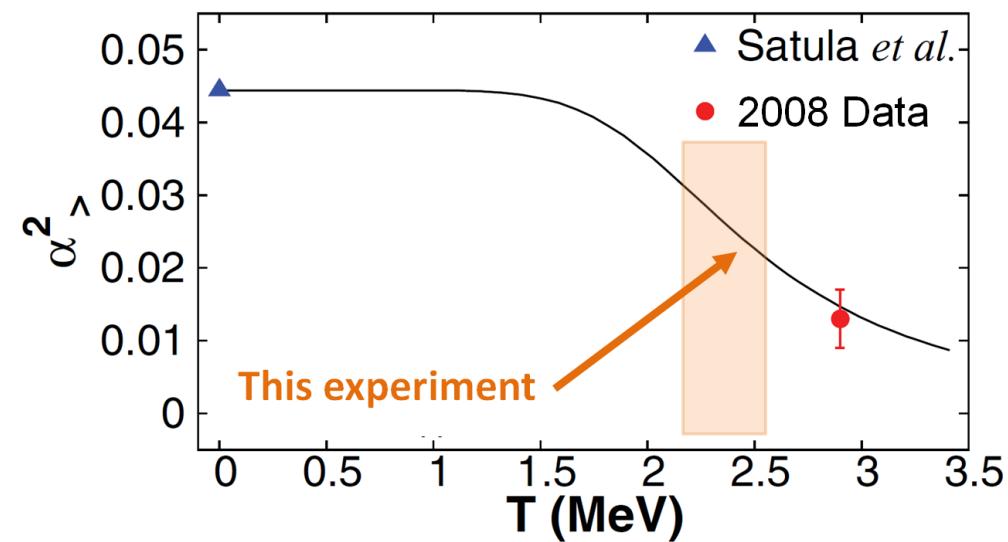
Isospin: **almost good quantum number**

Isospin symmetry in nuclei **is broken by Coulomb interaction**

GDR is a tool to measure the isospin mixing

Measure of the Isospin mixing in ^{80}Zr at $T=2.4\text{ MeV}$

It is a follow up of a GARFIELD-HECTOR experiment ($T = 3 \text{ MeV}$)



The measure of isospin mixing in the same system at two T will be a test of theoretical model.

Our objectives:

- measure the temperature dependence of isospin mixing in ^{80}Zr
- extract the value of Isospin mixing at zero temperature
- validate the theoretical calculations to extract the $T=0$ mixing value from the $T \neq 0$ one
- measure the Coulomb Spreading Width

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How we measure Isospin mixing

I=0 Compound Nucleus obtained by heavy ions fusion reaction



γ -ray yield from the decay of the GDR built on the CN

I=0 to I=0 E1 transition are **forbidden**

I=0 to I=1 E1 transition are **allowed**

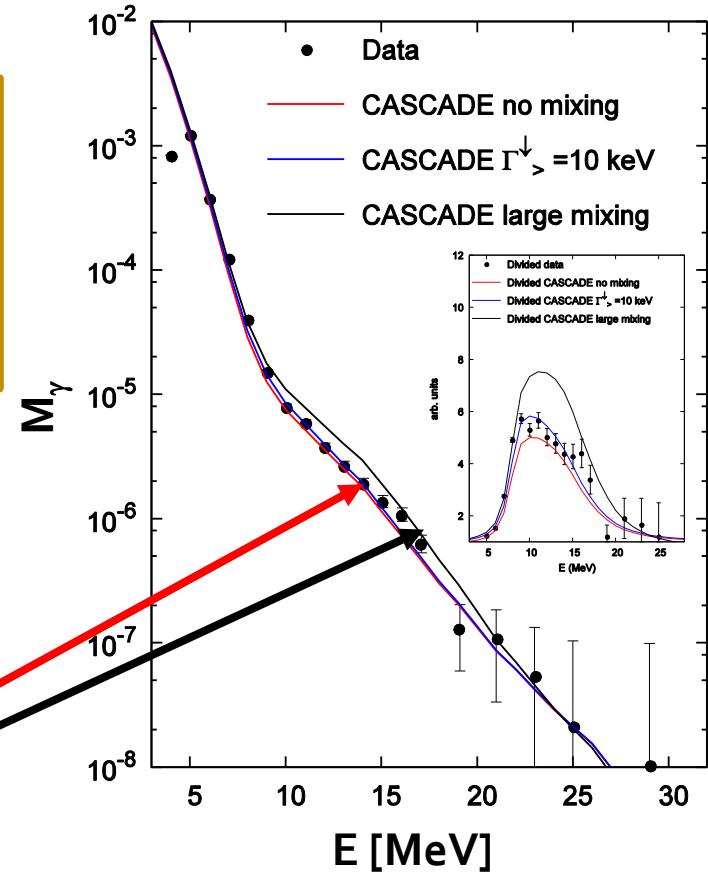
less I=1 state available by GDR decay in respect to I=0 states

This results in a strong inhibition of the first step GDR γ -decay

Coulomb interaction mixes I=0 states with I=1 states

Two extreme scenarios

No Mixing \longrightarrow strong inhibition of the γ -decay
Full Mixing \longrightarrow no inhibition of the γ -decay



From the results of mixing at **finite T** we obtain the value of Isospin mixing a **T=0 MeV**

Experimental set up

Two symmetric fusion evaporation reactions: $^{40}\text{Ca} + ^{40}\text{Ca} = ^{80}\text{Zr}$ & $^{37}\text{Cl} + ^{44}\text{Ca} = ^{81}\text{Rb}$

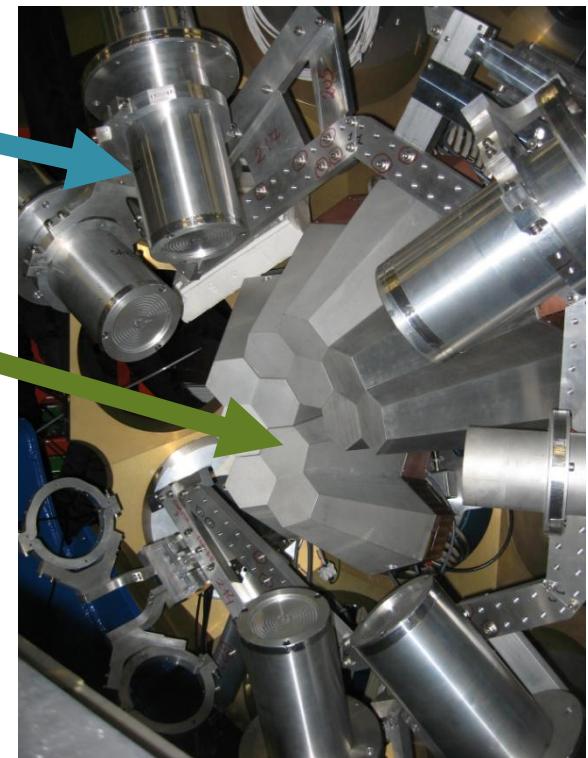
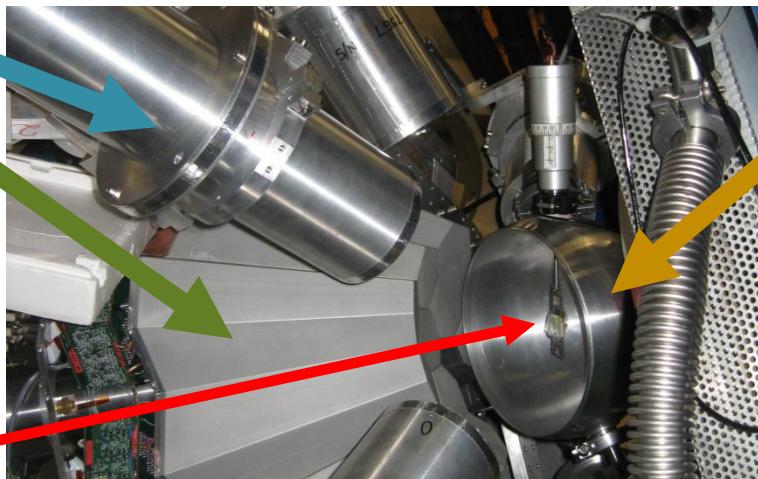
projectile	target	CN	E _{beam} (MeV)	E*(MeV)	I _z
^{37}Cl	^{44}Ca	^{81}Rb	95	54	7/2
^{40}Ca	^{40}Ca	^{80}Zr	136	54	0

7 Large Volume $\text{LaBr}_3:(\text{Ce})$

- High energy γ ray
- To select the evaporation residues

AGATA Demonstrator

- To select the evaporation residues



Triggers and acquired events

$^{40}\text{Ca} + ^{40}\text{Ca} = ^{80}\text{Zr}$ ($I = 0$) Beam time: 110h

$^{37}\text{Cl} + ^{44}\text{Ca} = ^{81}\text{Rb}$ ($I \neq 0$) Beam time: 70h

$^{11}\text{B} + \text{D} = ^{12}\text{C} + \text{n} + \gamma$ (Calibration) Beam time: 8h

$^{40}\text{Ca} + ^{40}\text{Ca}$ total events $7.3 \cdot 10^8$

Trigger	Events
AGATA & LaBr ₃ :Ce	84%
LaBr ₃ :Ce $M_\gamma \geq 2$	20%
Singles LaBr ₃ :Ce	2%
Singles AGATA	4%

$^{37}\text{Cl} + ^{44}\text{Ca}$ total events $7.5 \cdot 10^8$

Trigger	Events
AGATA & LaBr ₃ :Ce	82%
LaBr ₃ :Ce $M_\gamma \geq 2$	21%
Singles LaBr ₃ :Ce	2%
Singles AGATA	5%

AGATA event: γ in AGATA & LaBr₃:Ce gated on time and energy, no single

LaBr₃:Ce event: two γ in LaBr₃:Ce gated on time and energy, no single

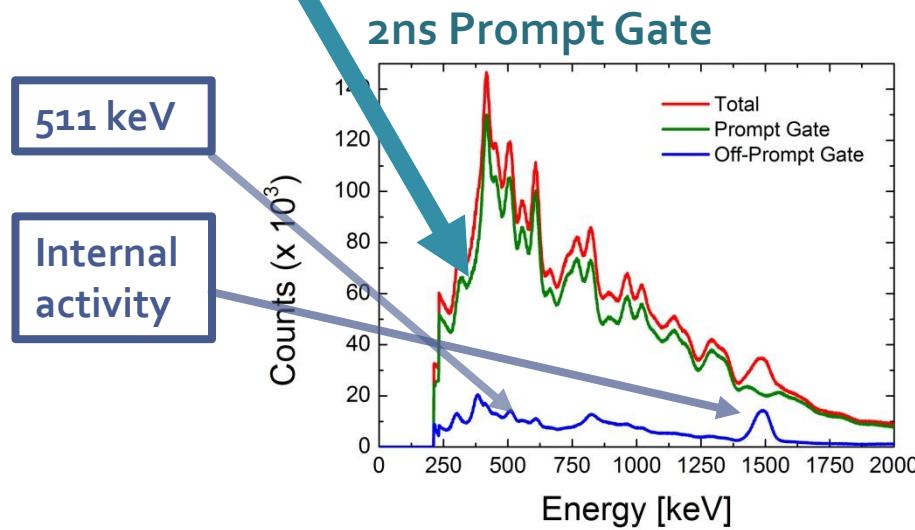
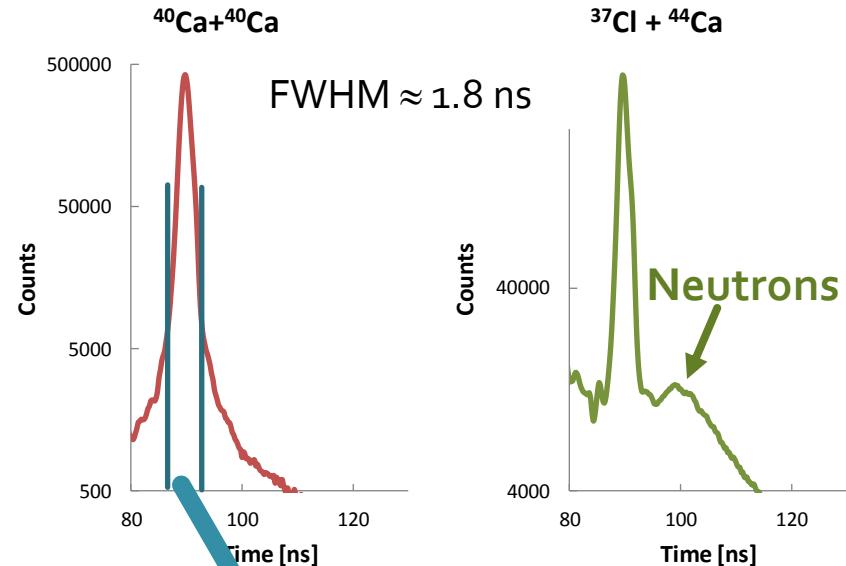
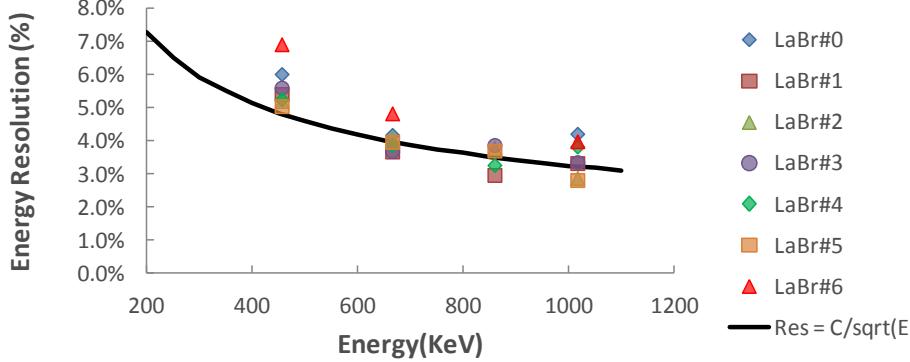
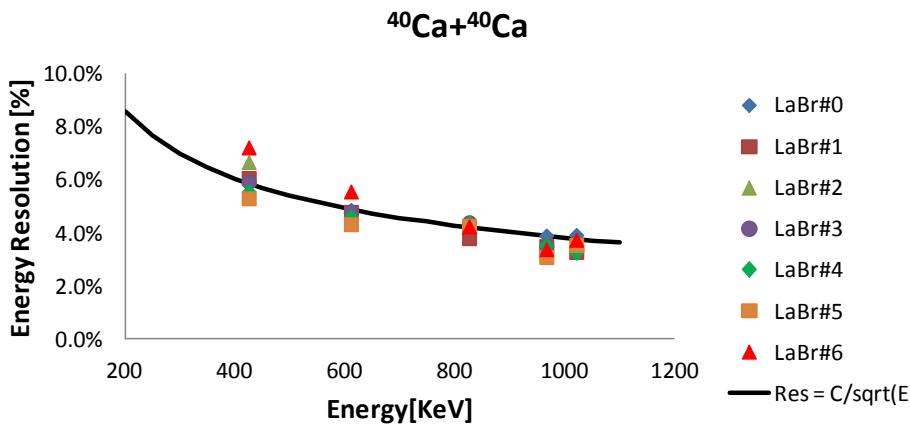
LaBr₃:Ce single event

AGATA single event

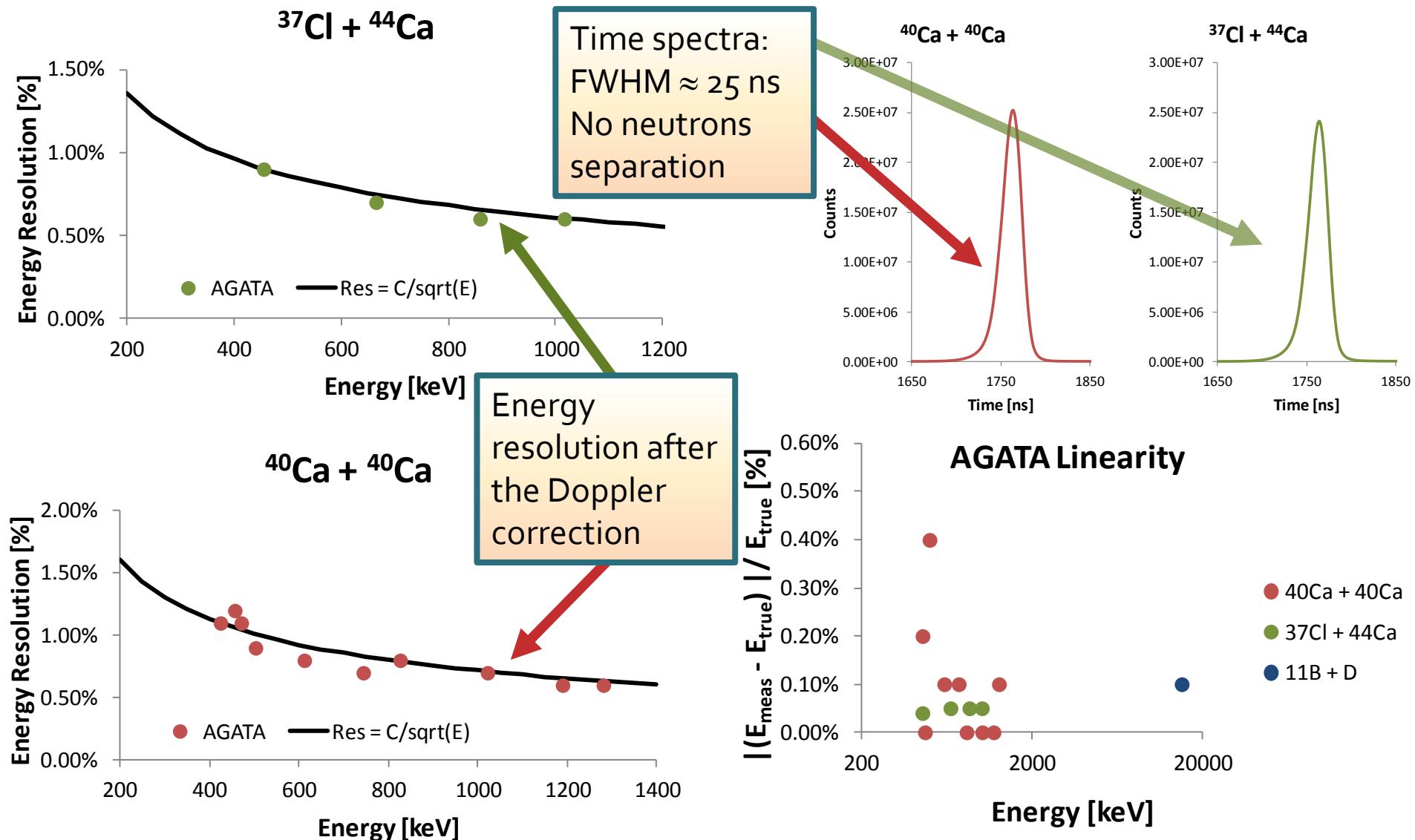
Gain of a factor 3 in statistic using AGATA coupled to LaBr₃:Ce, instead of AGATA stand alone

Preliminary Results: LaBr₃:Ce

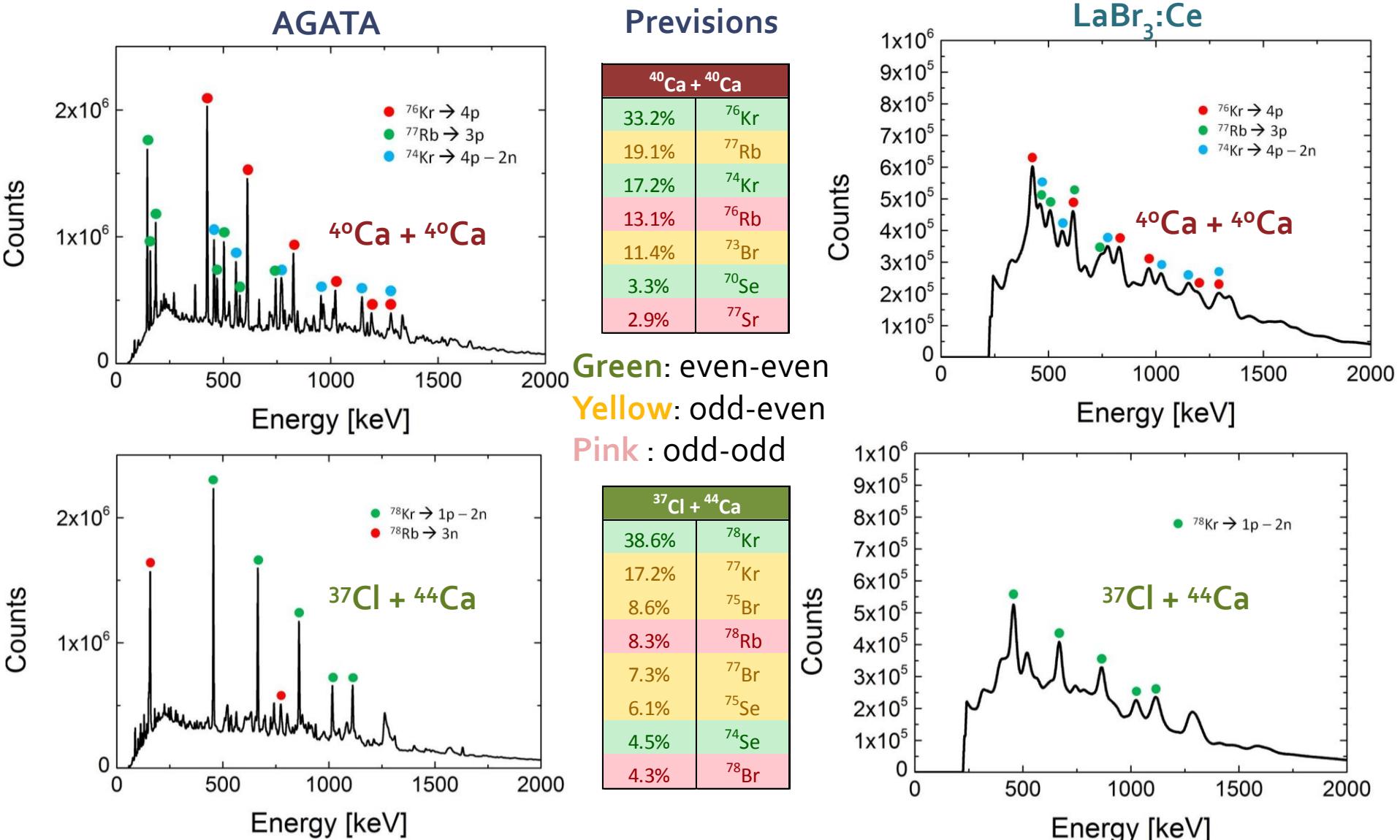
The energy resolution trend after the Doppler correction for the two reactions at low energy



Preliminary Results: AGATA



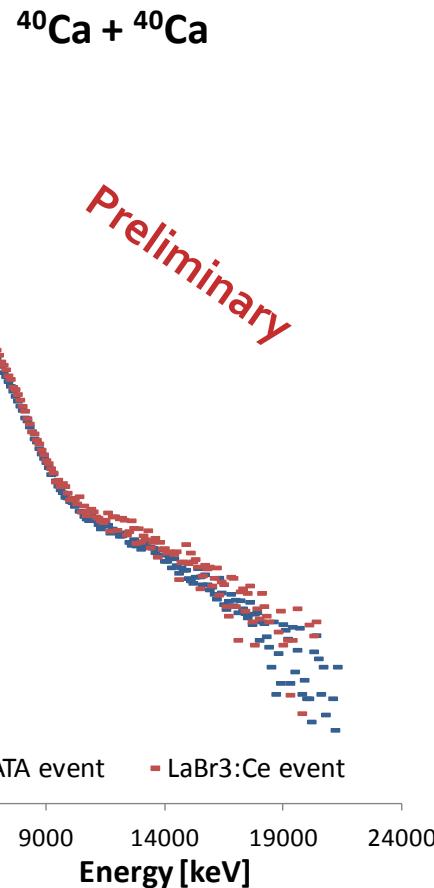
Evaporation residues in AGATA and in LaBr₃:Ce



$^{40}\text{Ca} + ^{40}\text{Ca}$ high energy γ -spectra

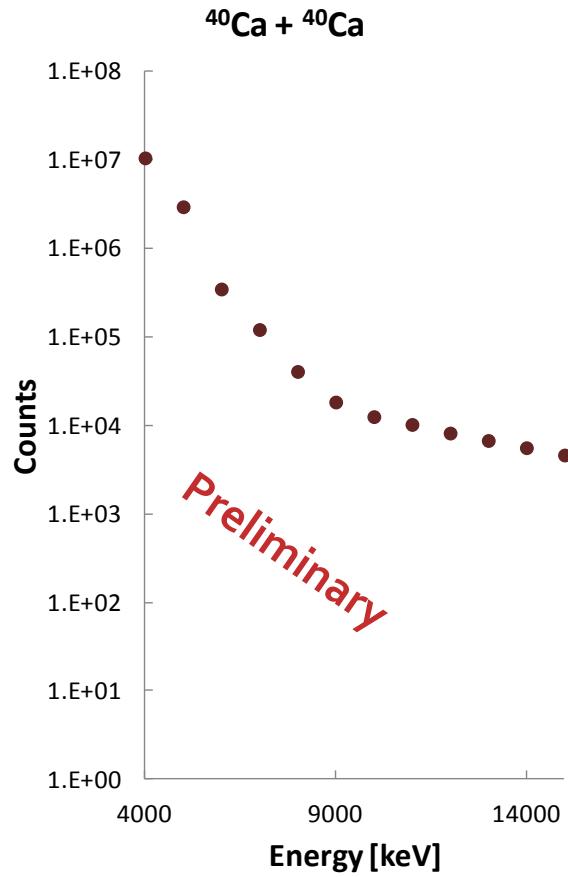
$\text{LaBr}_3:\text{Ce}$ detectors

Comparison between high energy spectrum for $\text{LaBr}_3:\text{Ce}$ event gated on γ prompt peak (2 ns) and the same for AGATA event (gate about 30 ns)



AGATA demonstrator

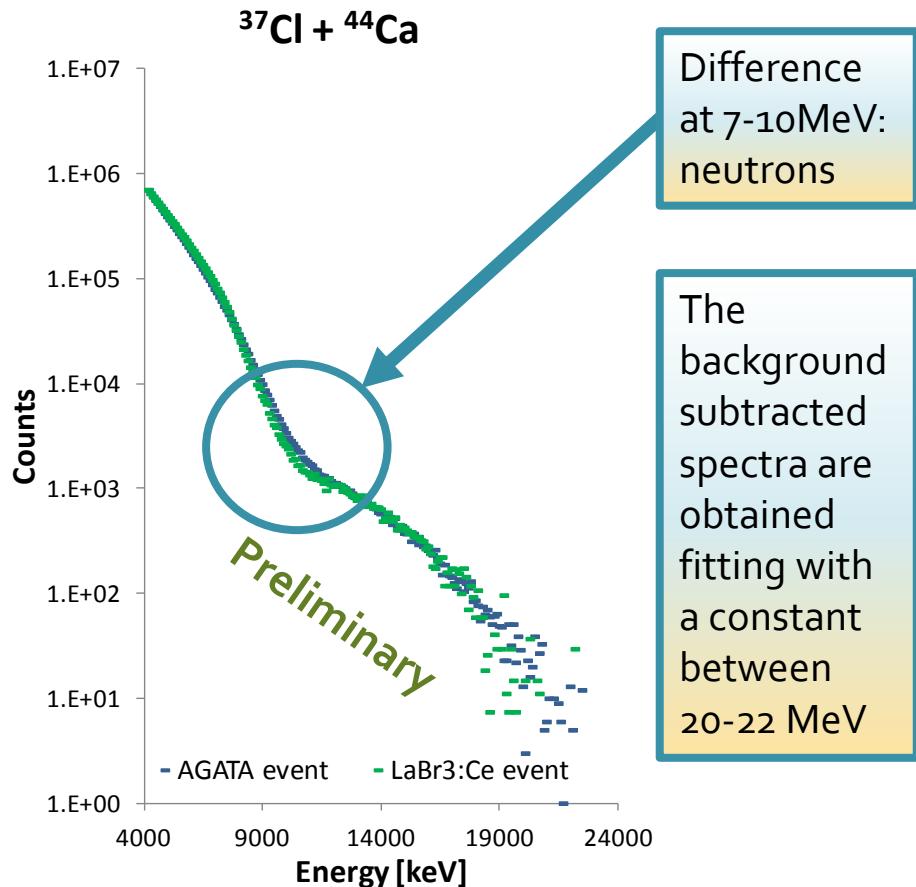
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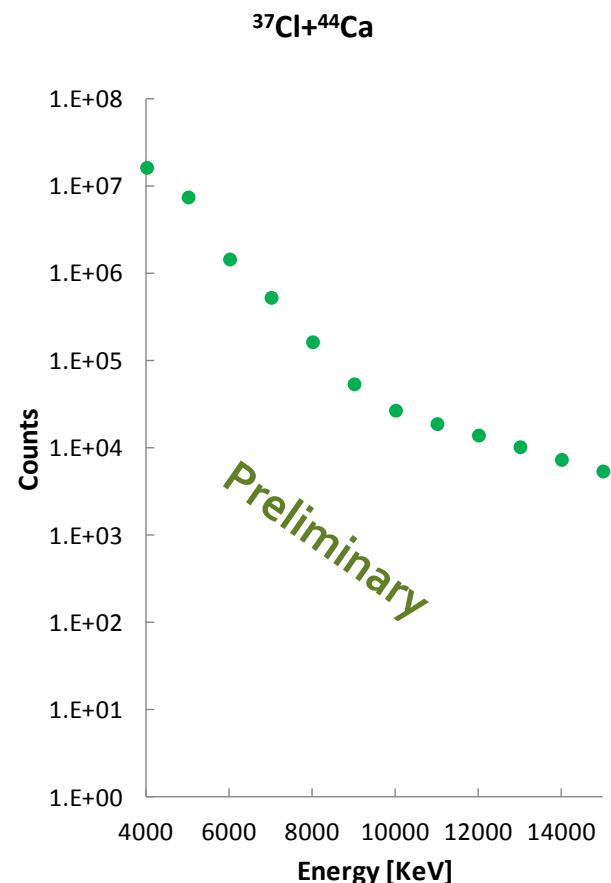
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Gated about 30 ns



Conclusions and perspectives

- Data replay, data calibration and Doppler correction
- **Residues identification** – neutron channels identification (only in $^{37}\text{Cl} + ^{44}\text{Ca}$)
- Preliminary **high-energy γ -rays spectra** – background reduction with gate
- **Cascade** calculations with isospin formalism for $^{40}\text{Ca} + ^{40}\text{Ca}$ (AGATA and LaBr₃:Ce event)
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- **Monte Carlo Cascade** calculations for $^{37}\text{Cl} + ^{44}\text{Ca}$ (AGATA event) → neutrons
- Cascade calculations in way to obtain **isospin mixing value** at finite temperature and at T=0 MeV

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