# Outline: Characterization of segmented Ge detectors

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- 1.  $\gamma$ -ray camera
- 2. moving  $\gamma$ -ray source and Ge detector
- 3. scanner at GSI for segmented detectors



## The motivation behind the project



Existing technology relies on BGO scintillator technology

- Limited position resolution
- High patient dose requirement.
- Poor energy resolution only accept photopeak events.
- Will not function in large magnetic field
- SPECT applications utilizing Compton Camera techniques.



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### **Requirements:**

- **\therefore** Excellent resolution  $\Delta x = 2 \text{ mm}$
- Large field of view (**FOV**) =  $8x9 \text{ cm}^2$ 
  - Large FOV of ~20 cm diam.
  - Low spatial resolution 0.5-1 cm





Small FOV of 3-4 cm diam. High spatial resolution 2-3 mm





## Gamma Camera: Individual multi-anode readout

16 wires in X axis and 16 wires in Y axis



C.Domingo Pardo, N. Goel, et.al., IEEE, Vol.28, Dec. 2009



Hamamatsu R2486 PSPMT



Photocathode = 56.25 mm

LYSO scintillator  $Lu_{2(1-x)}Y_{2x}SiO_5$ 

 $\label{eq:constraint} \begin{array}{l} d=76 \mbox{ mm} \\ t=3 \mbox{ mm} \\ \rho=7.4 \mbox{ g/cm}^3 \end{array}$ 

Lutetium-yttrium oxyorthosilicate





## Intrinsic activity of LYSO

### LYSO: Lu<sub>1.8</sub>Y<sub>0.2</sub>SiO<sub>5</sub>:Ce



### scintillating properties:

high density (7.1 g/cm<sup>3</sup>) fast decay time (40 ns) very high light output (~ 27600 ph/MeV)



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## Efficiency versus resolution







With a source at rest, the intrinsic resolution of the detector can be reached;

efficiency decreases with the increasing detector-source distance.





# Doppler broadening and position resolution









# Segmented detectors











# Gamma-ray tracking - the concept



## Scanner at GSI



#### **Requirements:**

- 1. Position sensitive detector
  - Excellent  $\Delta x/x$
  - Large field of view
- 2. Method to compare the pulses

#### Position sensitive detector

#### Characteristics:

- Faster
- Precision: 1-2 mm
- Imaging capability

#### **Rotating table**

• Determine:  $X_r(x_m, y_m), Y_r(x_m, y_m)$ 





### Gamma-ray scattering technique





## Position reconstruction



C.W.Lerche, et.al., NIM A, Vol 537, pp. 326-330, Jan. 2005





## **Position reconstruction**



Average spatial resolution in X and Y ~ 1mm



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coincidence between the Germanium and BGO detectors for 90 degree Compton scattered events for depth determination



Advantage over conventional scanner: Full detector can be scanned in one measurement 10 times faster than a conventional scanner Accuracy of simulations can be checked for complex regions of electric field



## Scanner based on pulse shape comparison scan







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Geometric crossing point: x,y,z







## Pulse shape comparison scan method based on a position sensitive detector



# $\chi^2$ minimization method





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## Characterization of planar HPGe detector





#### Side view



Position sensitive detector

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t = 2 cm





### Front view (0 deg):



Side view (90 deg):













### **Detector scan**

### Front view (0 deg):



Side view (90 deg):













## Planar HPGe detector scan

Intensity distribution for photopeak events





# AGATA: Advanced Gamma Tracking Array

- $4\pi$  array of germanium crystals
- 180 segmented crystals arranged around the reaction target
- 3D sensitivity





### Symmetric AGATA prototype crystal



# Signal shapes from all 36 segments



Most significant transient charge signals are from the direct neighbouring segments



## Combined trace for pulse shape comparison



Direct neighbours of segment F3

We have the method, the device and the detector ready, lets do the scan of AGATA!



### Gamma detector array

#### **EUROBALL** Cluster Detectors



photopeak eff. 2.8%



Signals from 36 segments + core are measured as a function of time ( $\gamma$ -ray interaction point)





### New scanner at GSI



LYSO & SIPM (Silicon Photomultiplier Sensors, series C, 3mm)







single-photon avalanche diode

Advantages: High detection probability

Disadvantages:

Dark current (temperature)

www.onsemi.com/products/sensors/photodetectors-sipm-spad/silicon-photomultipliers-sipm/c-series-sipm

