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Motivation & Mission Statement

Germanium detector development:

Detector R&D for future application in fundamental physics

- ✓ Neutrinoless double beta decay
- ✓ Dark matter searches

Signal/background discrimination:



Establish techniques to distinguish signal topology from background topology

→ Use intelligent detectors

Important issue:

Good understanding of the detector response to minimize systematic uncertainties

Broad Energy Germanium Detector



- High Purity Germanium detector in general:
 - ✓ Excellent energy resolution
 - ✓ Intrinsically clean
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- Disadvantages for BEGes:

<u>1D degeneracy in (φ, z)</u>

extra segmentations to reconstruct event position

Segmented Broad Energy Germanium Detector





- Designed by the GEDET group, made by Canberra France
- n-type BEGe detector
- Point contact with 4-fold segmentation
- 3D event reconstruction:
- Segmentation design:
 - ✓ Minimizing amount of contacts
 - ✓ Maximizing retrieval of information
- Configurations:
 Dimension: φ 75mm x 40mm
 Mass: 940 g
 HV: +4500 Volt (on N⁺ contact)

Test Facility



- Canberra test stand:
- Conventional vacuum cryostat
- Single detector:

cooling finger submerged in LN2

- 2 copper ears to house electronics stand alone preamp for core single preamp/segment
- Flexible device capable to scan through different (r, φ, z)

Characterization using ¹³³Barium source



Hit Positions at X-Z plane from simulation















Pulse Shape Simulation

- Why pulse shape simulation? Improve the understanding of Germanium detector
 - impurity distribution
 - charge trapping
 - charge collection efficiency
 - Sensitivity of event position reconstruction
- Simulation tools:
- ✓ Geant4: physics process ⇒ hit info
- ✓ MaGe: Pulse shape simulation
 Field calculation
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induced charge on the electrode (waveform)



Summary & Outlook

Summary:

- BEGe detector with extra segmentations useful to disentangle different event topologies
- The segmented BEGe detector is designed by GEDET group and built by Canberra France
- Characterization using ¹³³Ba source

Outlook:

- Validate Monte Carlo
- Determine algorithms for event position reconstruction
- Measure HPGe parameters like impurity concentration, e/h mobility