

# Simulation framework for the digitization module of scintillators and its implementation in NeuLAND

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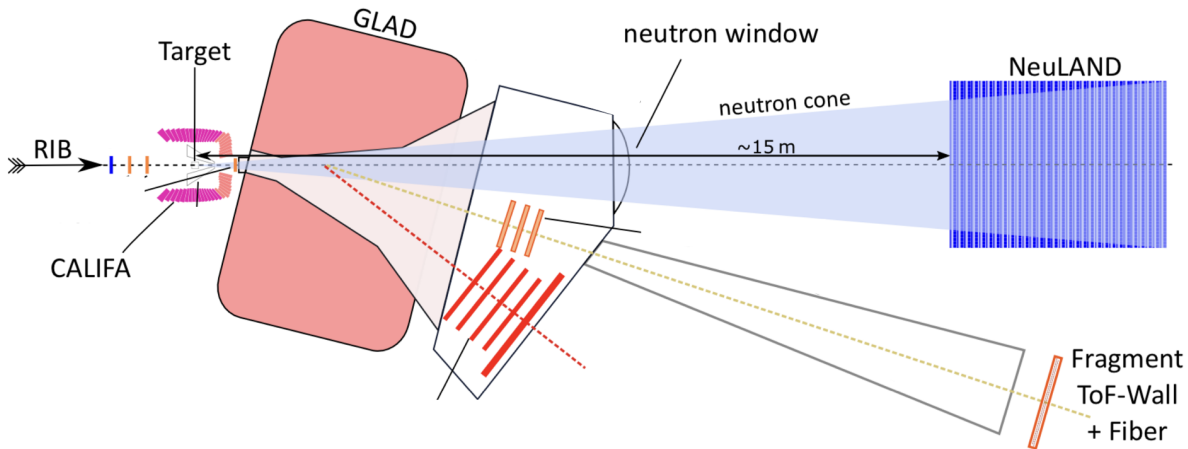
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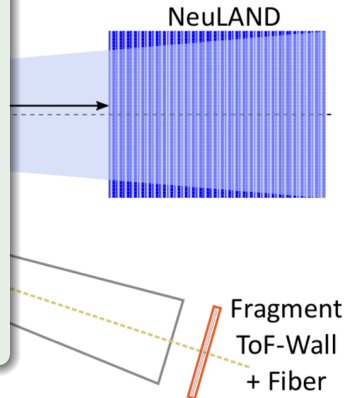


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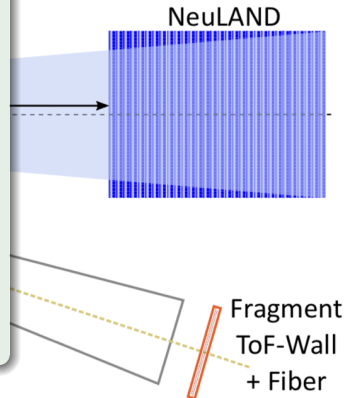


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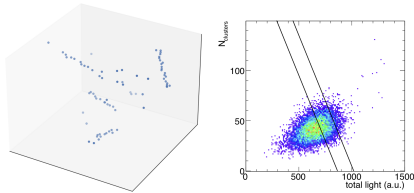
## Measurement:

- neutron 4-momentum
- neutron multiplicity



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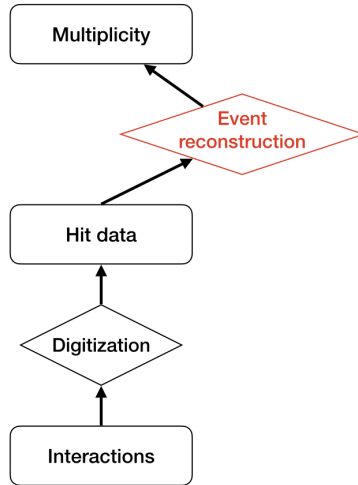
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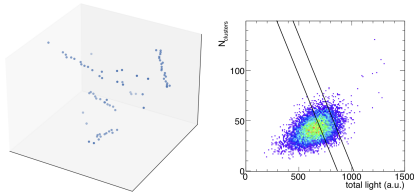
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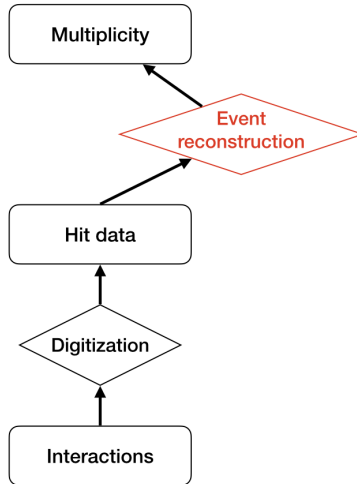


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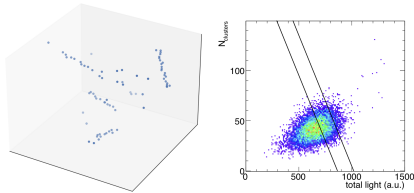
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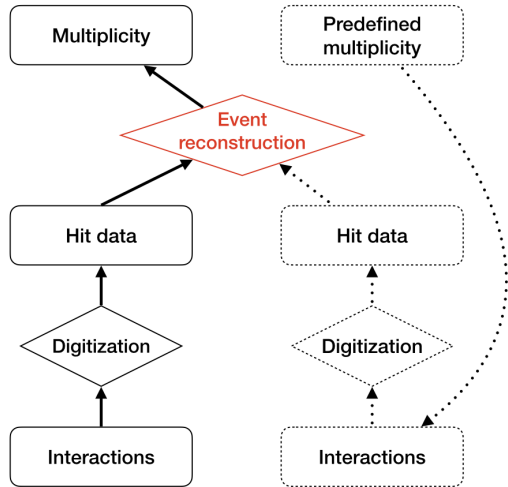


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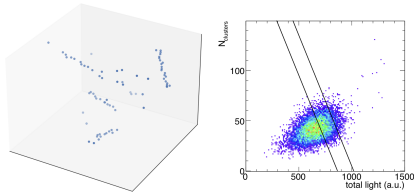
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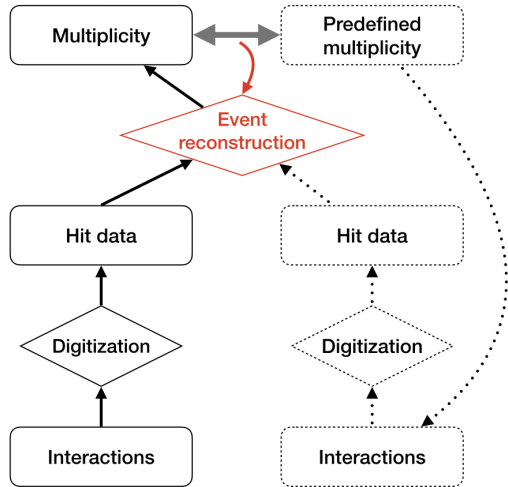


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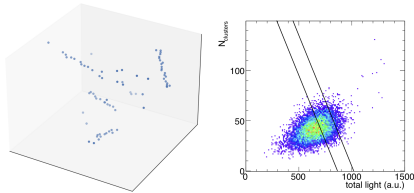


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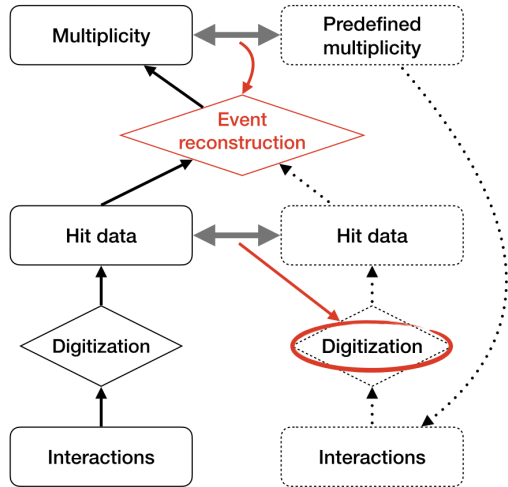


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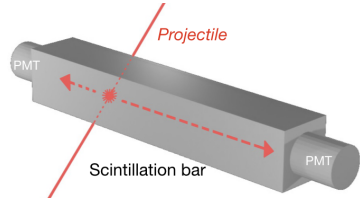
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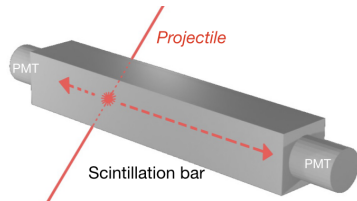
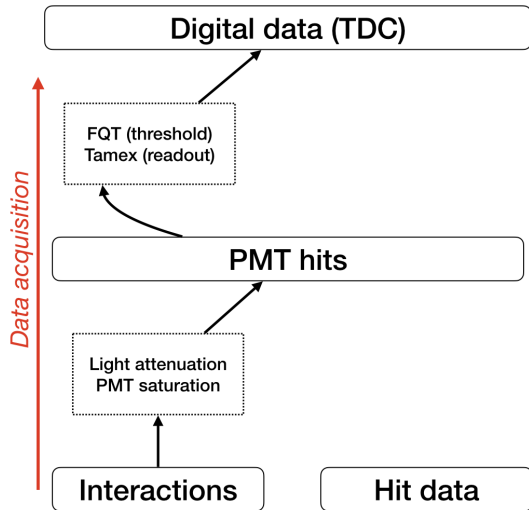
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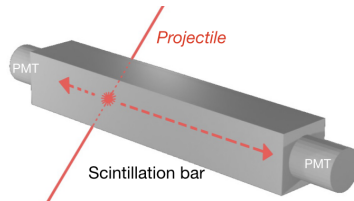
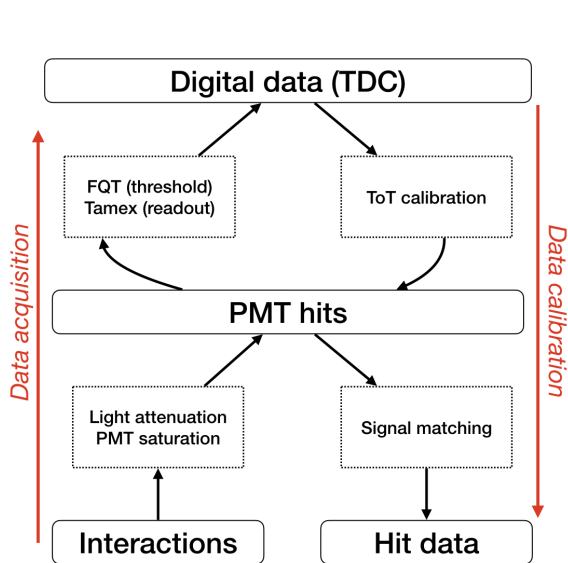
Interactions

Hit data

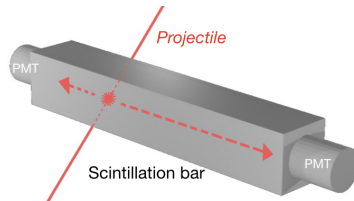
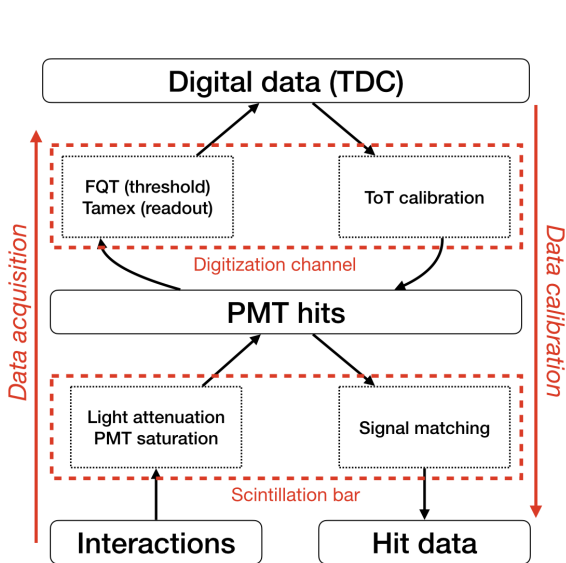
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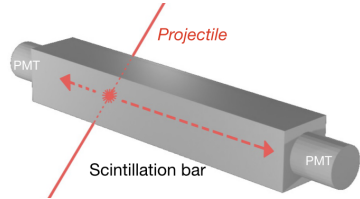
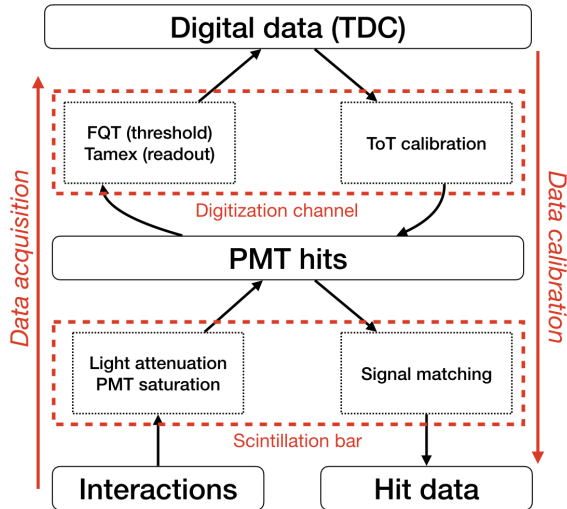
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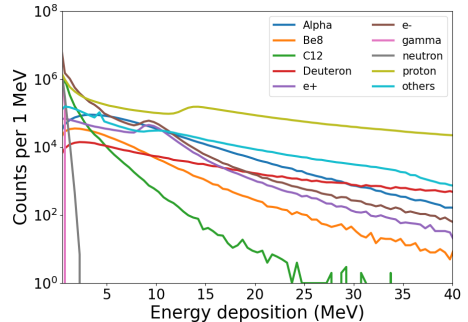
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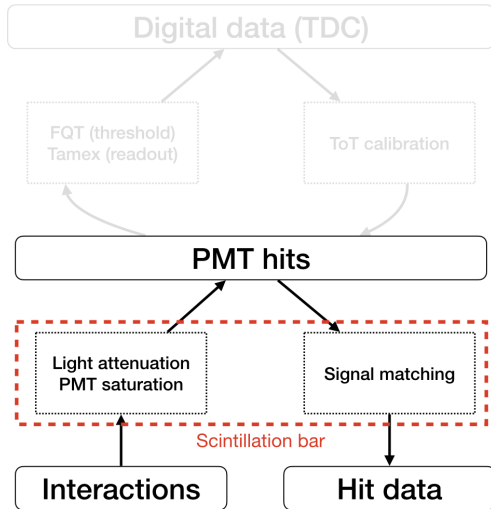
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Energy depositions of different particles ( $E_n = 600$  MeV)

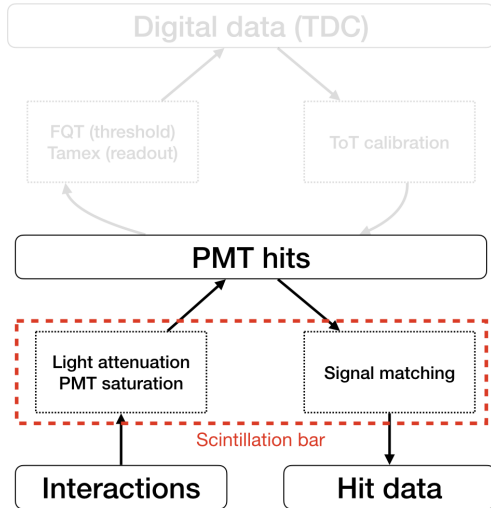


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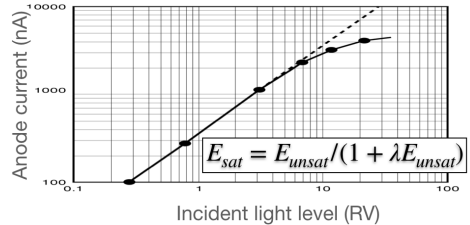


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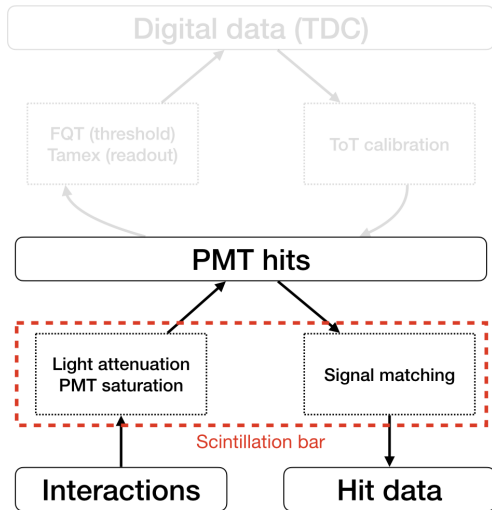
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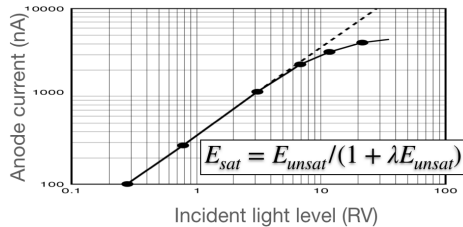
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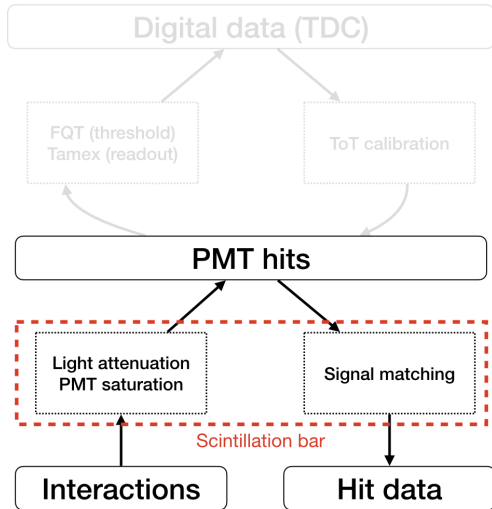
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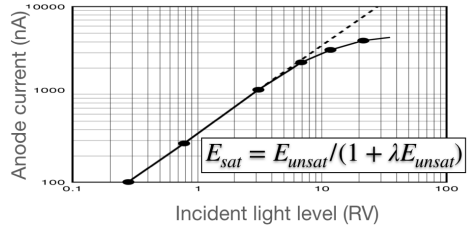
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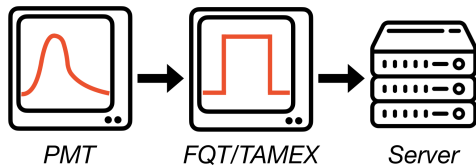
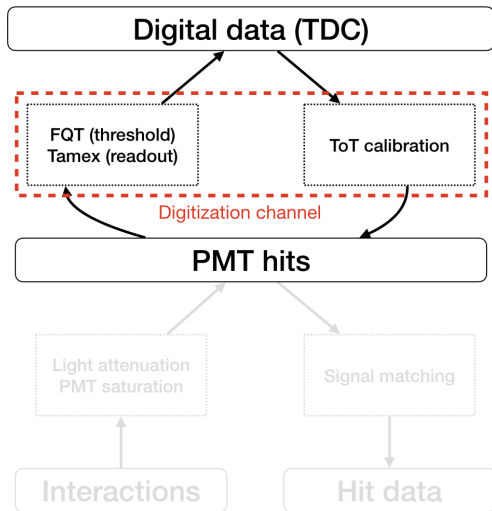
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## PMT signal matching

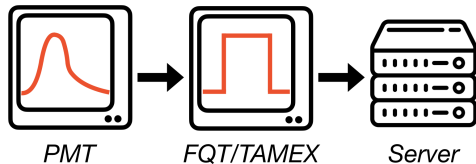
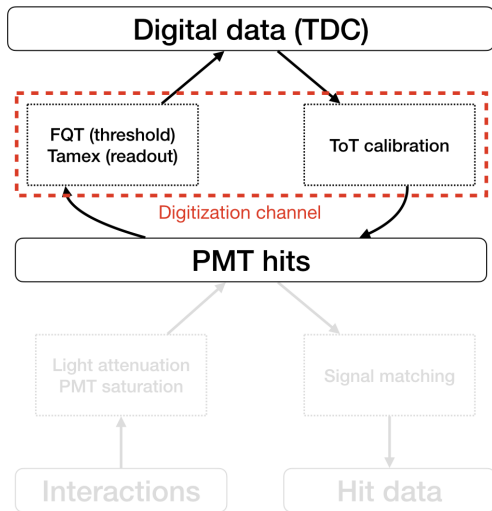
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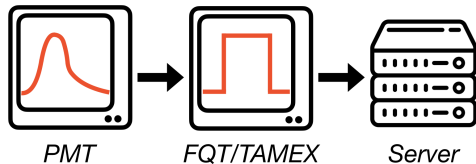
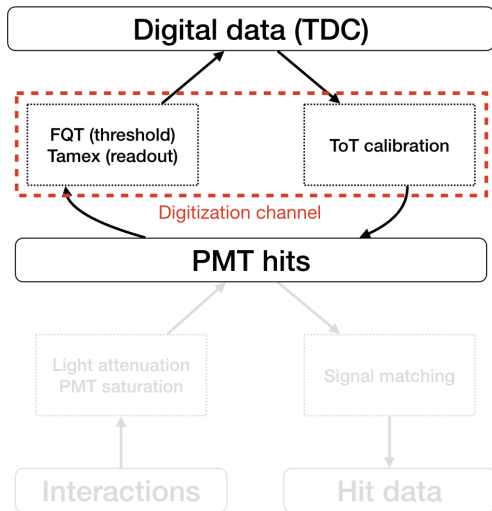
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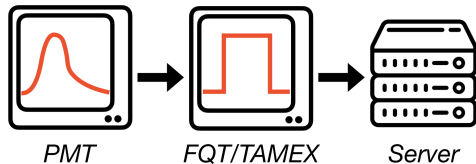
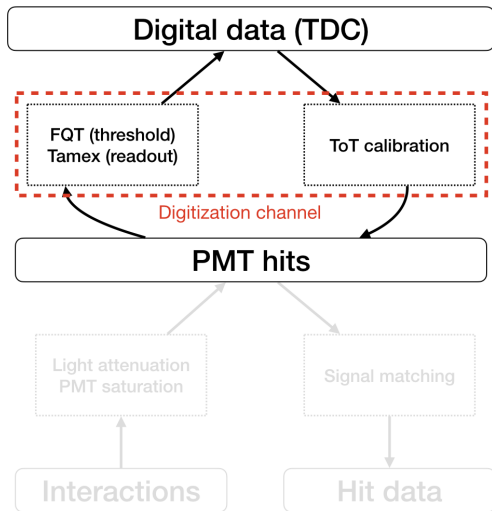
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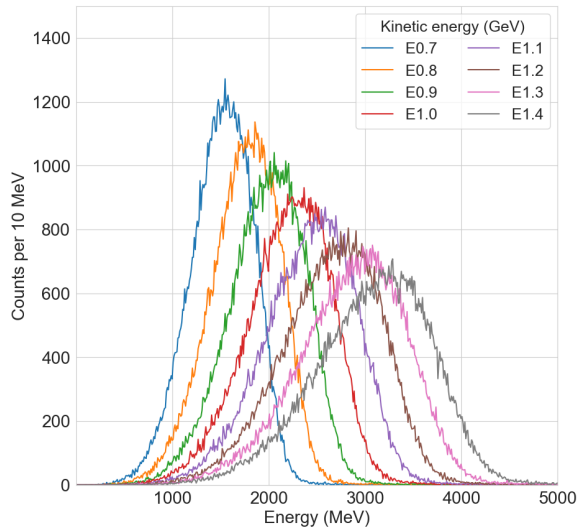


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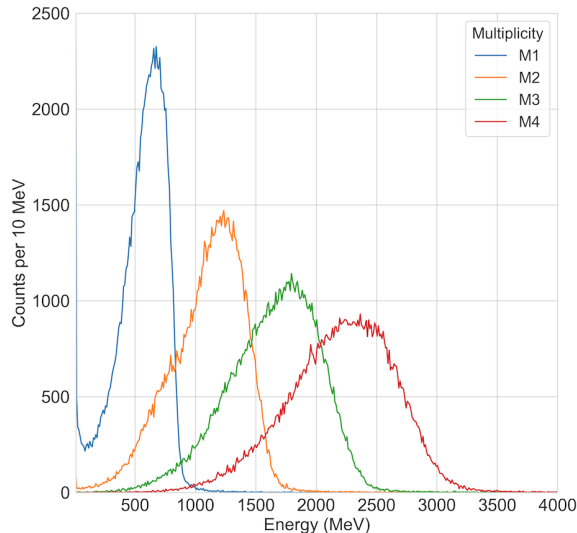
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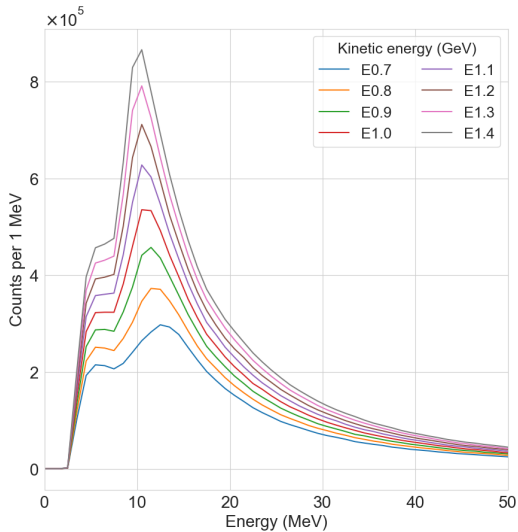


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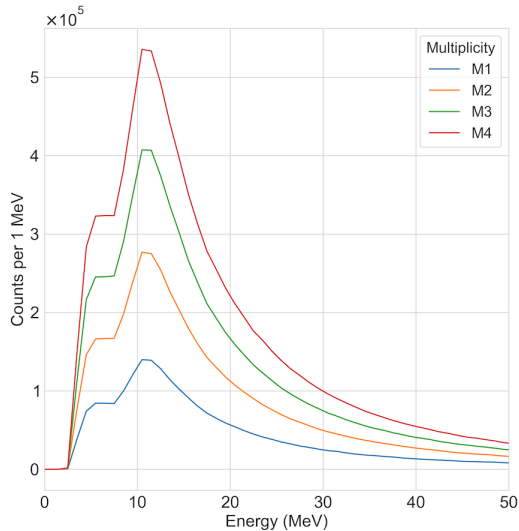


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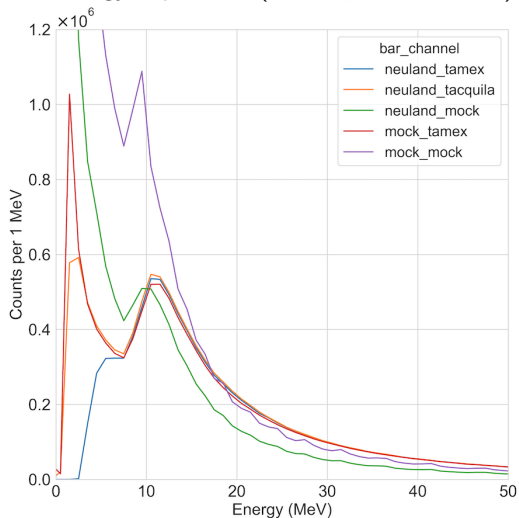
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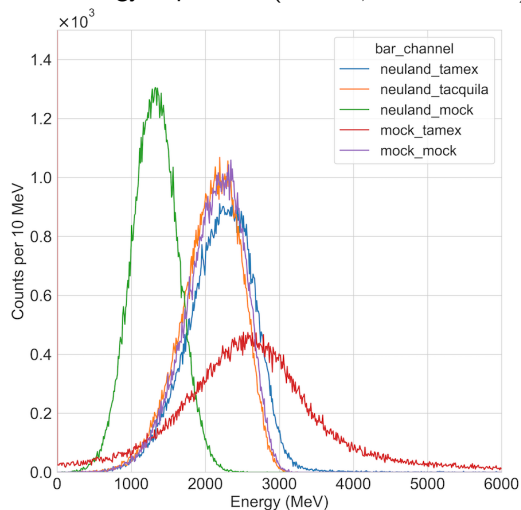


# Comparisons to Tacquila and mockup

Hit energy deposition ( $M = 4, KE = 1$  GeV)



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# Summary and outlook

## In this talk

- simulation on scintillation bars and digitization channels
- multi-hit capability
- distribution on total energy deposition and hit energies
- better performance on low energy filtering

## What to do next

- integration time window on Tamex
- comparison to real calibrated data
- applications on other detectors

