

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

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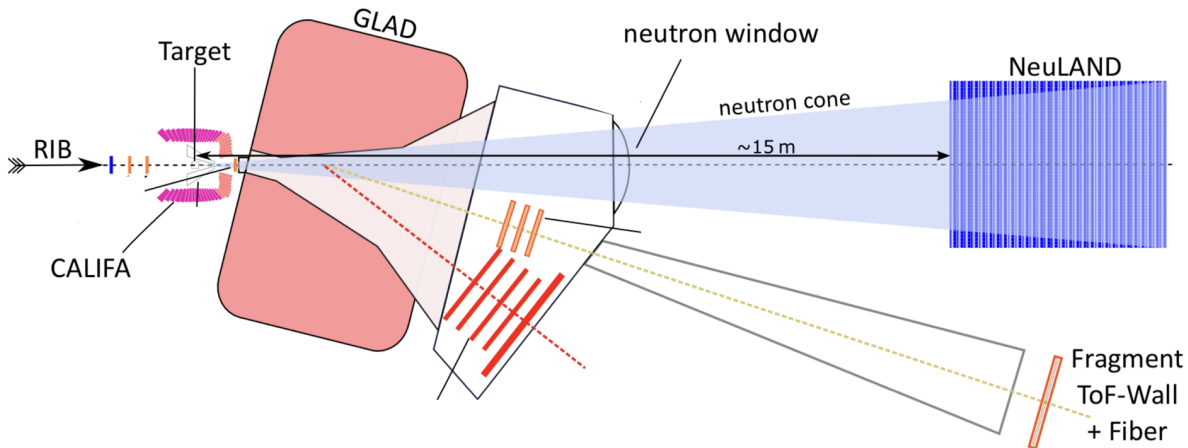
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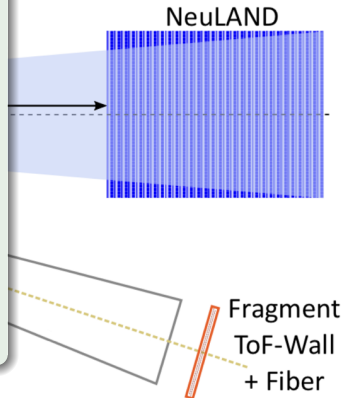


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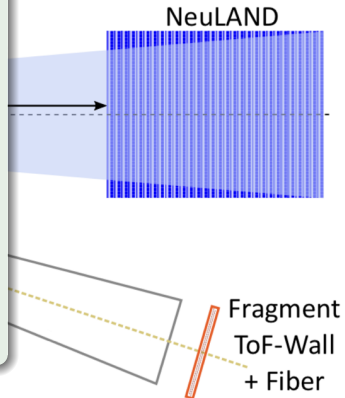


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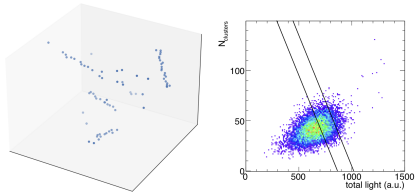
Measurement:

- neutron 4-momentum
- neutron multiplicity



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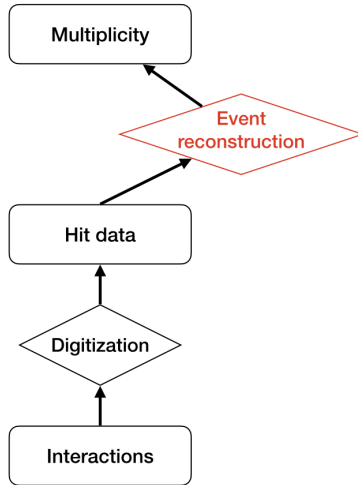
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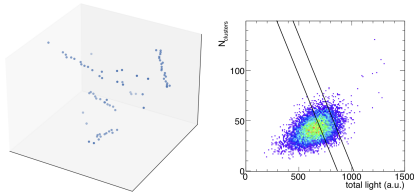
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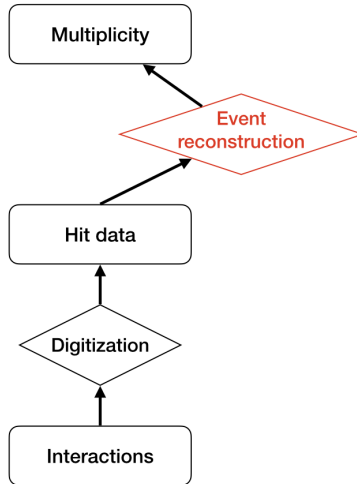


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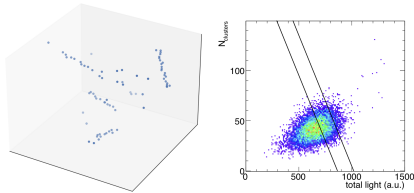
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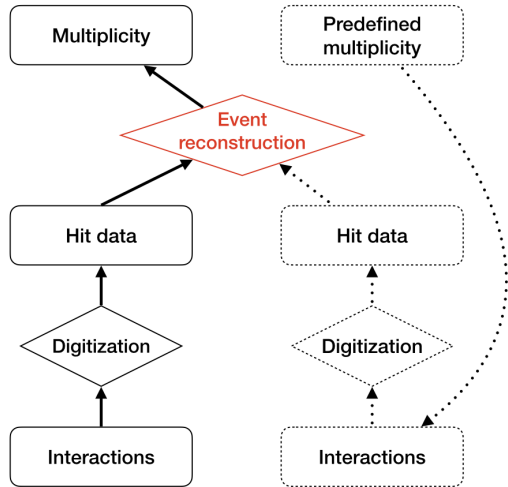


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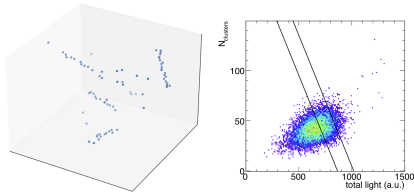
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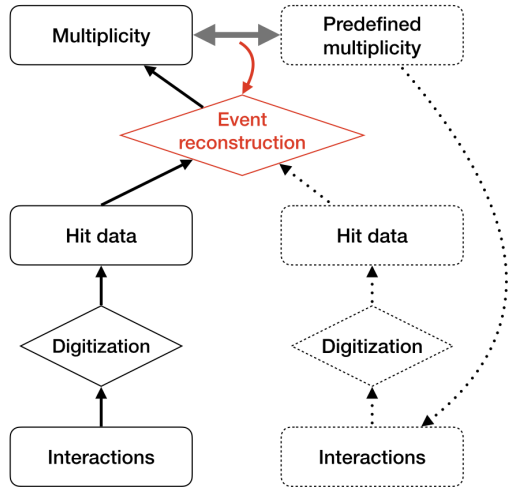
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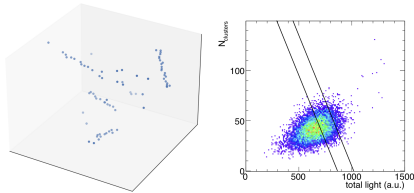
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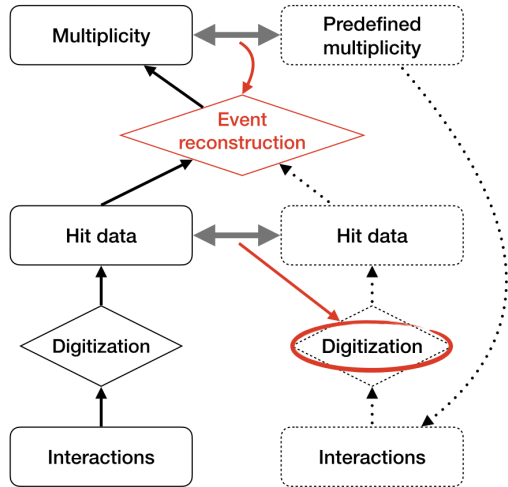


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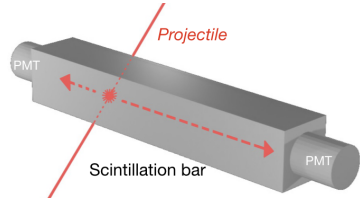
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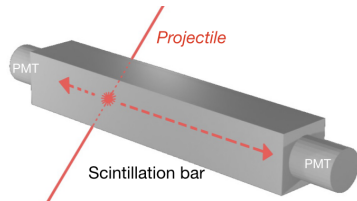
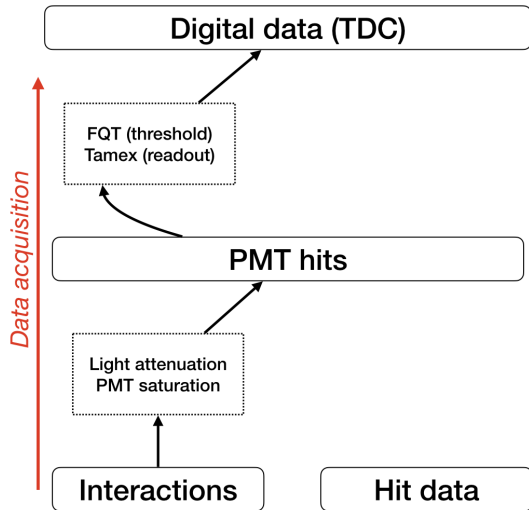
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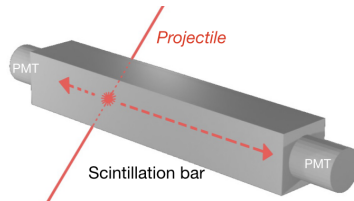
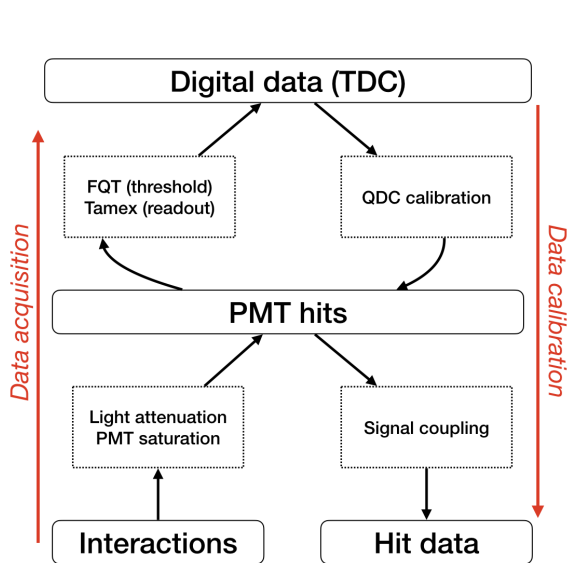
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Hit data

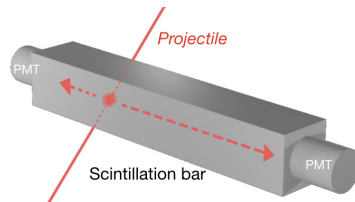
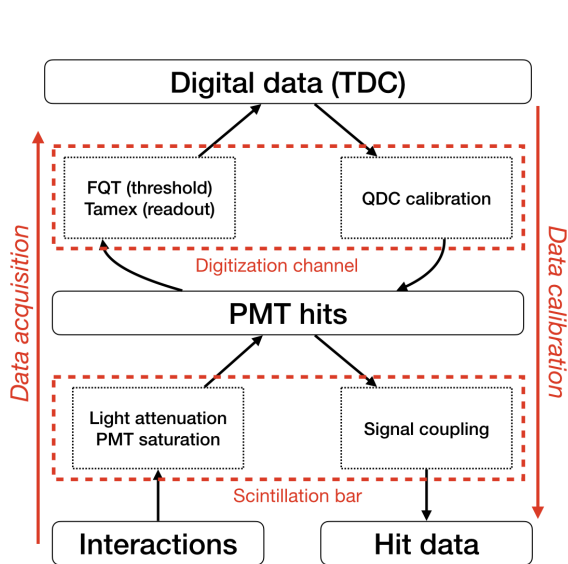
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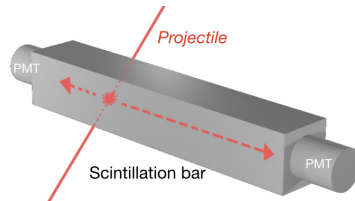
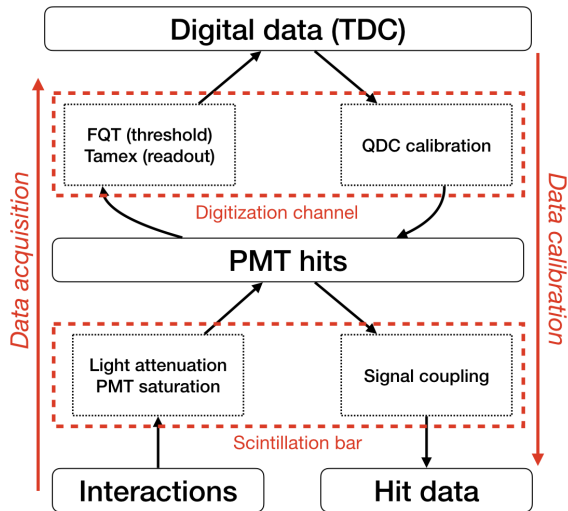
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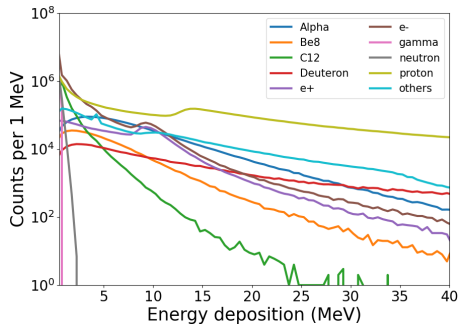
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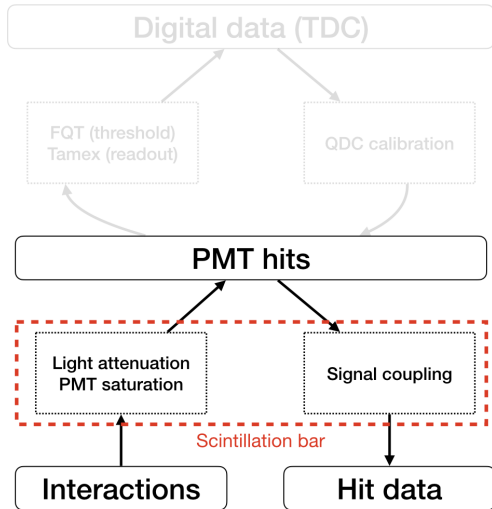
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Energy depositions of different particles ($E_n = 600$ MeV)

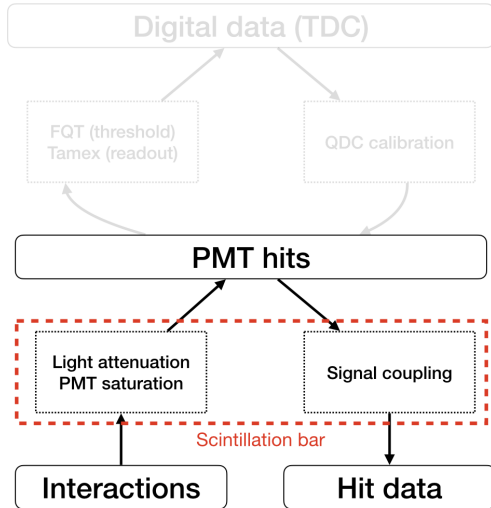


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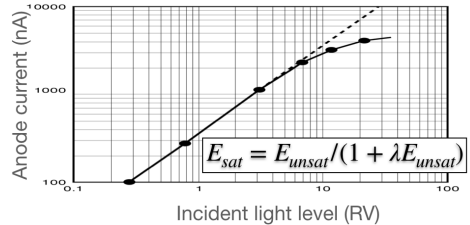


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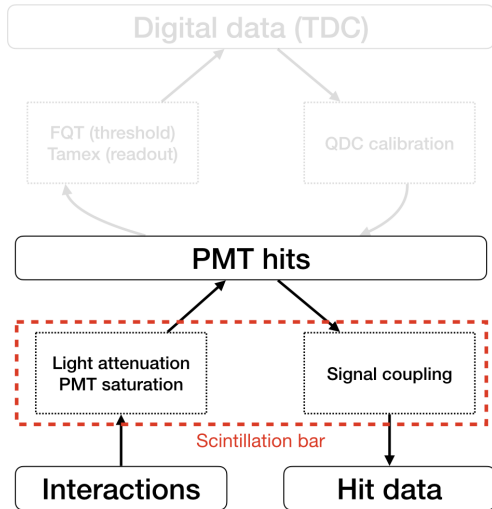


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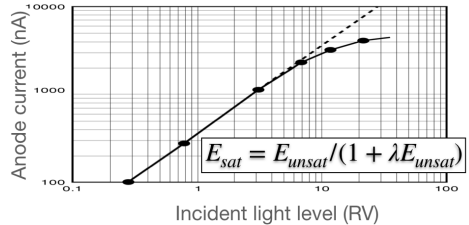


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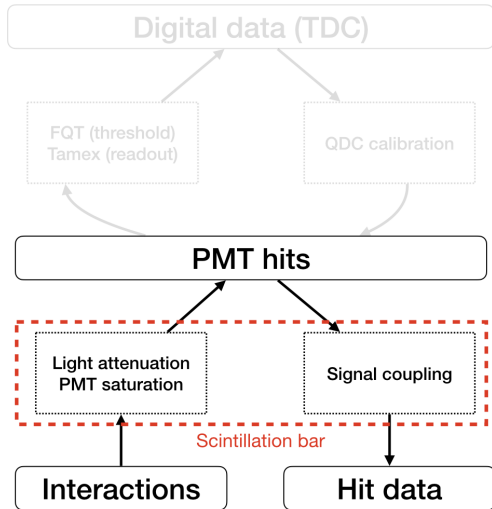
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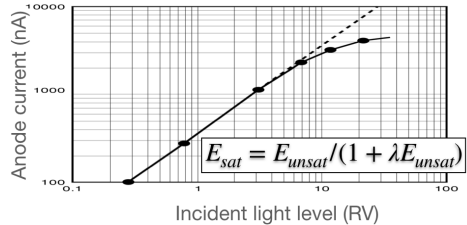
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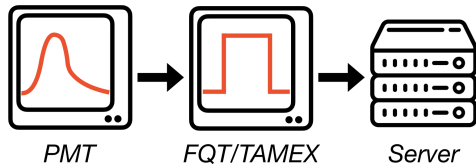
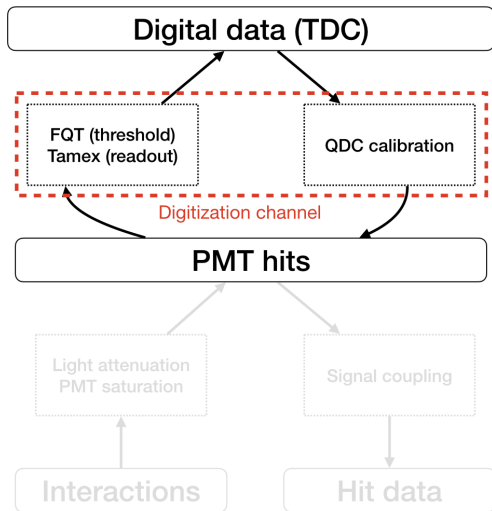
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PMT signal coupling

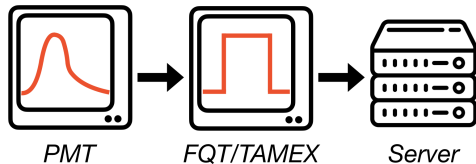
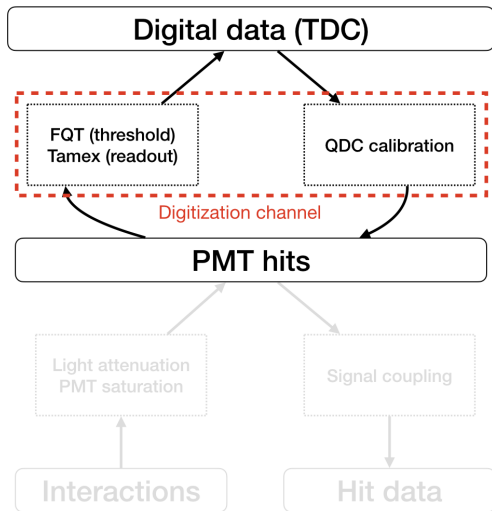
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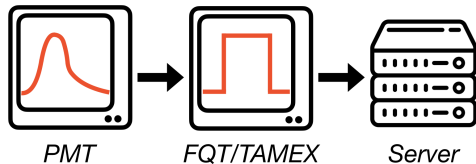
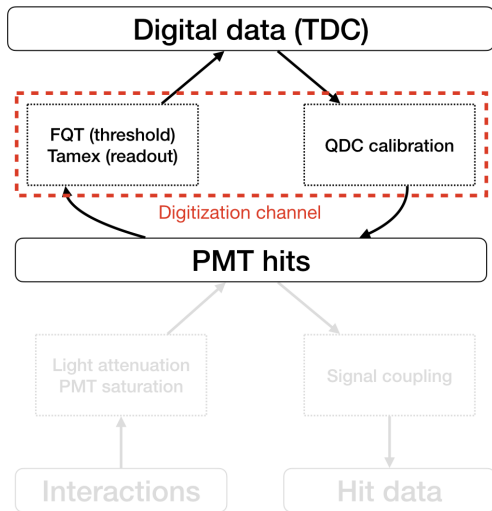
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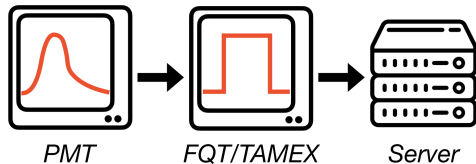
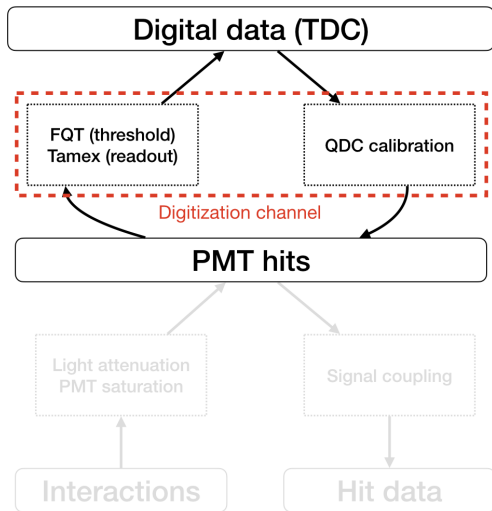
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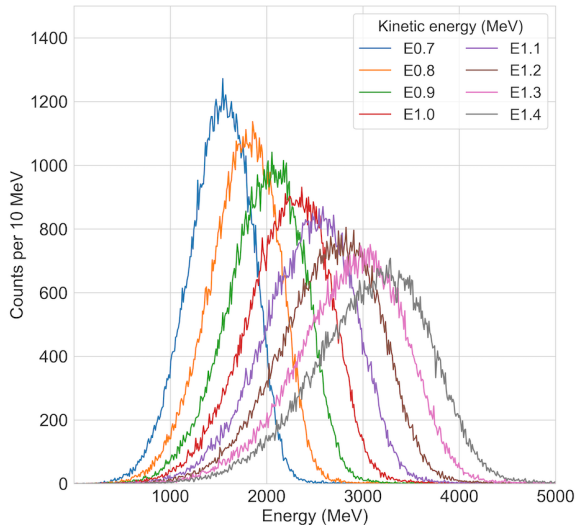


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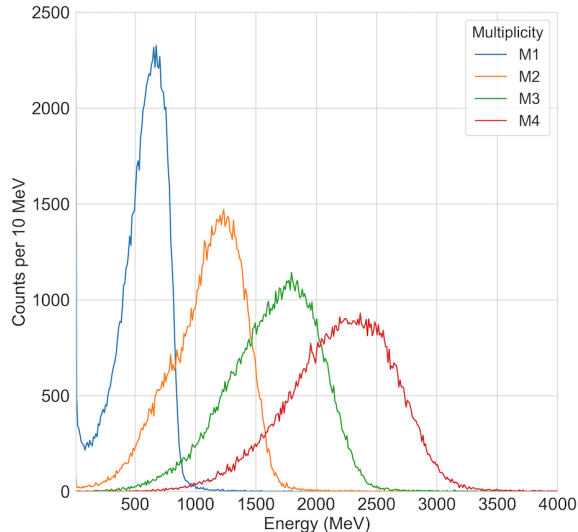
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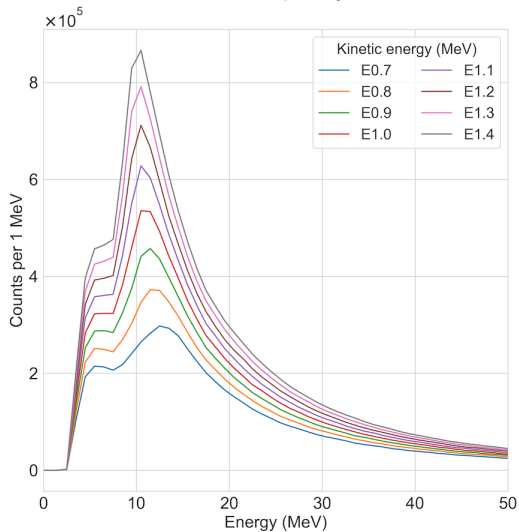


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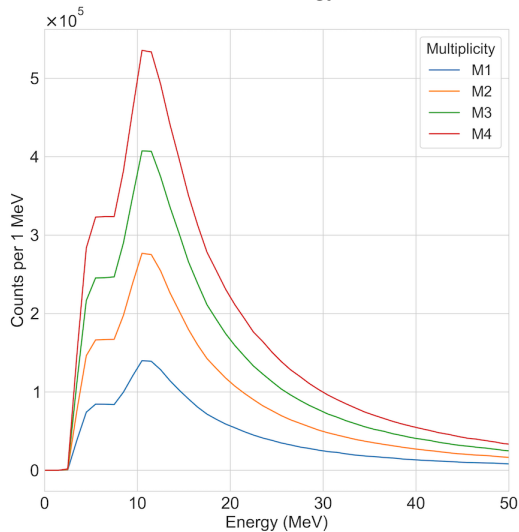


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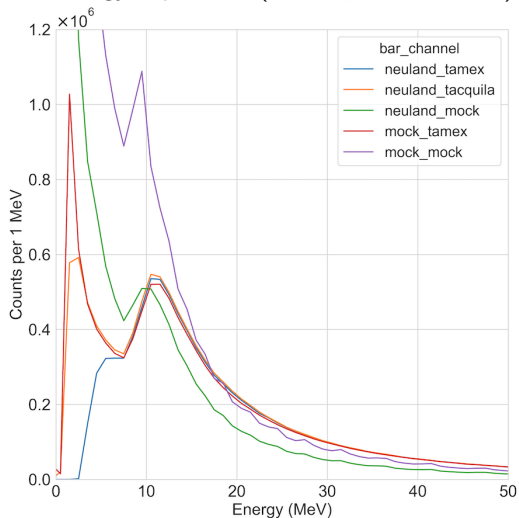


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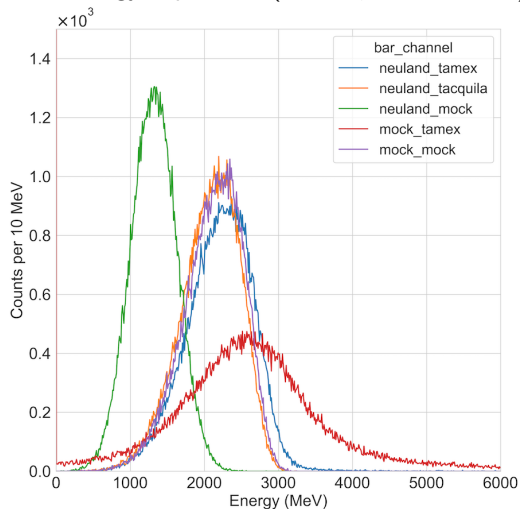


Comparisons to Tacquila and mockup

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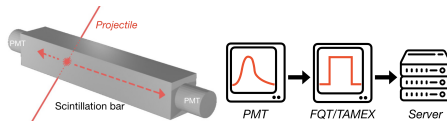
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Summary and outlook

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

