

Challenges and opportunities of three-photon tomographic reconstruction for the XEnon Medical Imaging System

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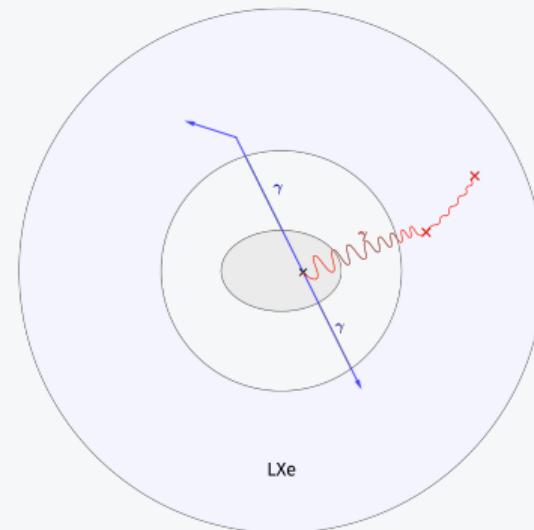
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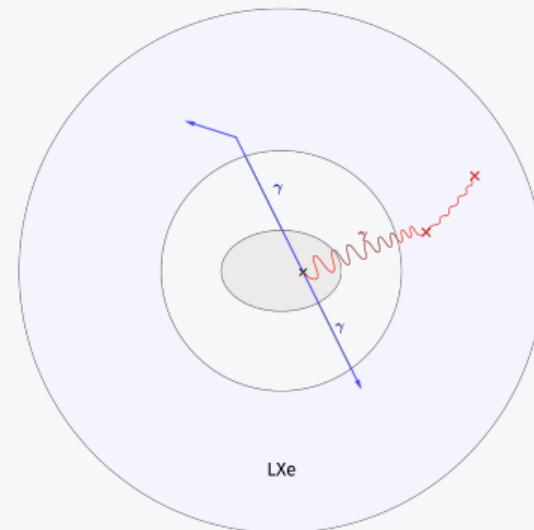
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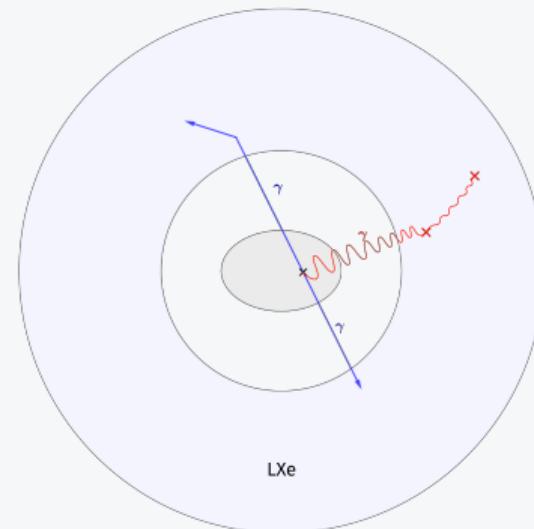
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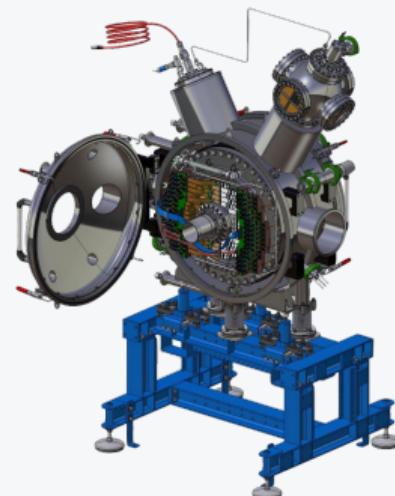
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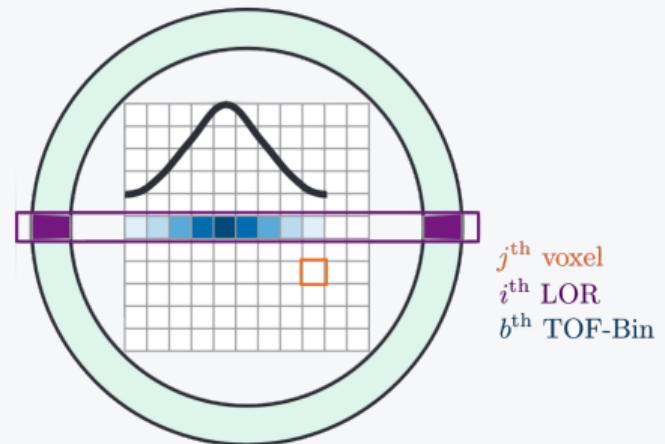
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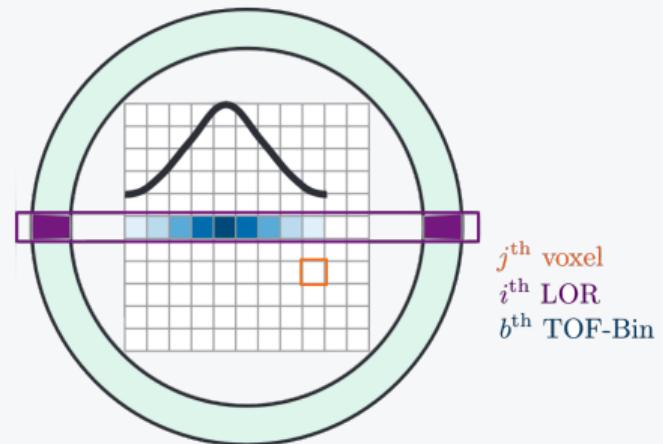


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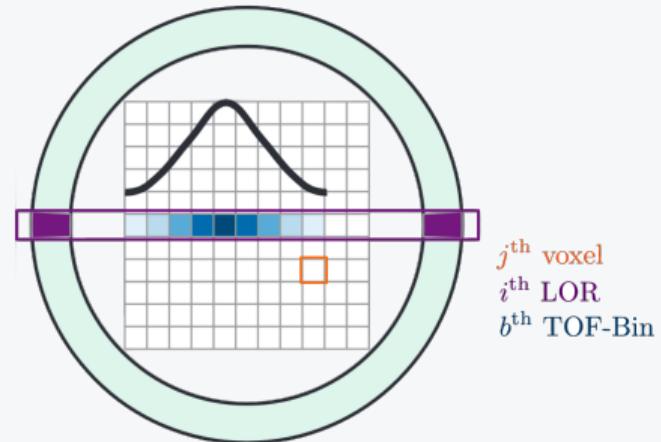
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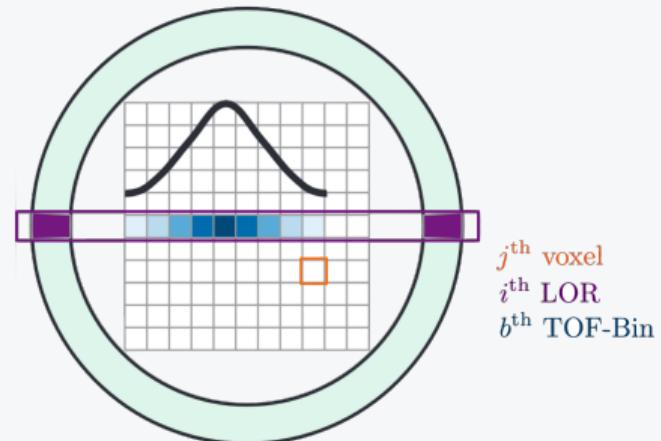
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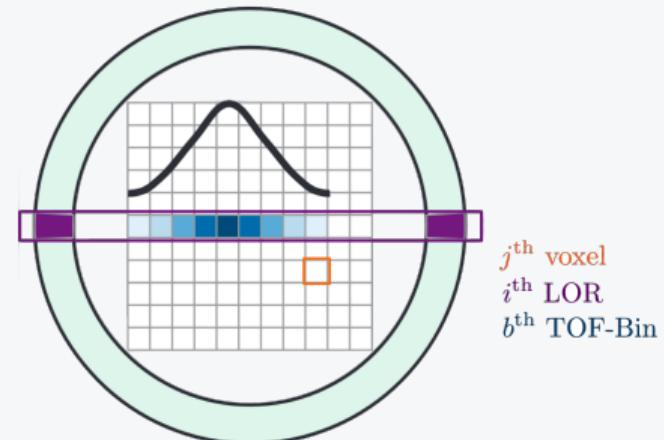
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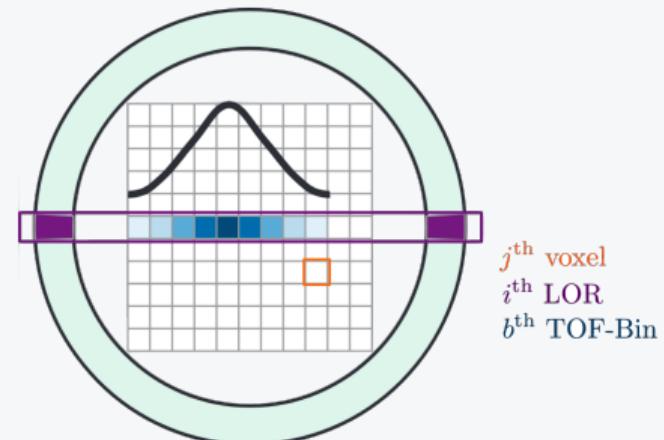
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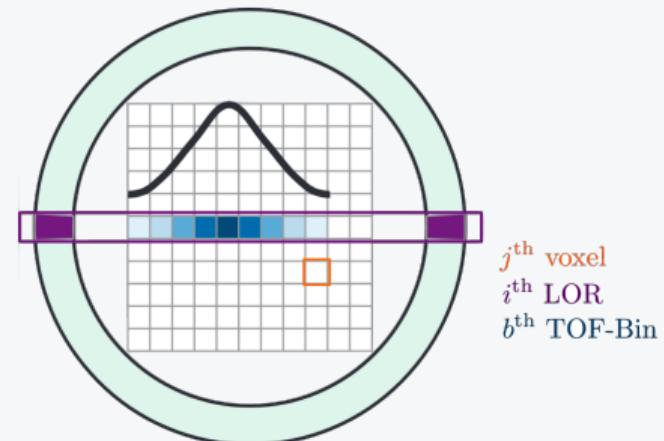
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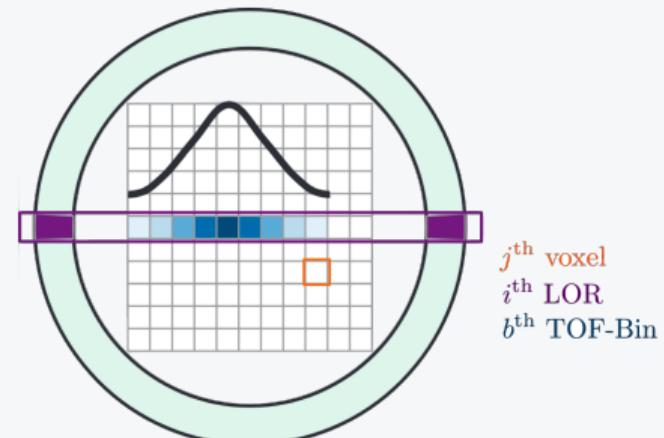
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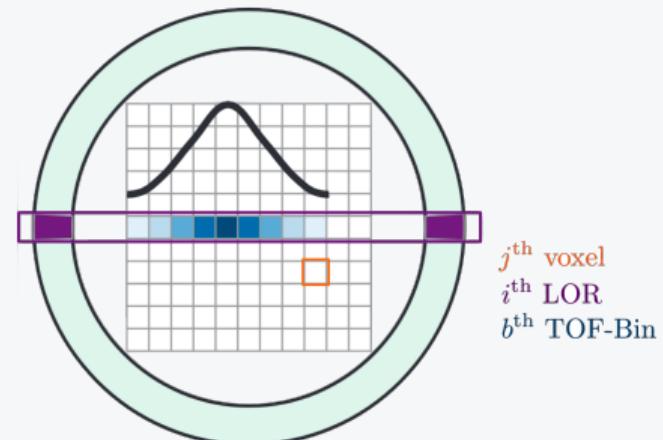
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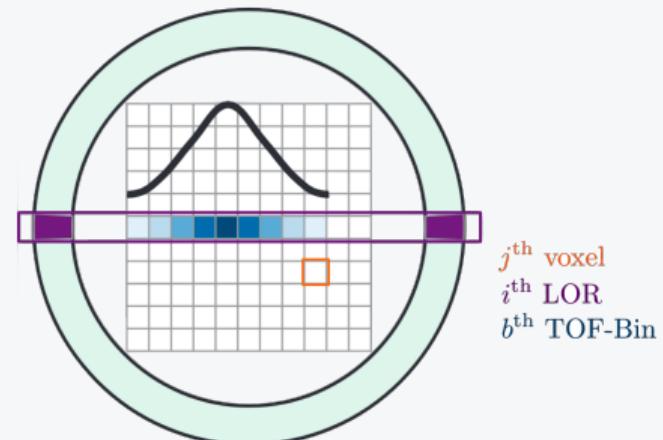
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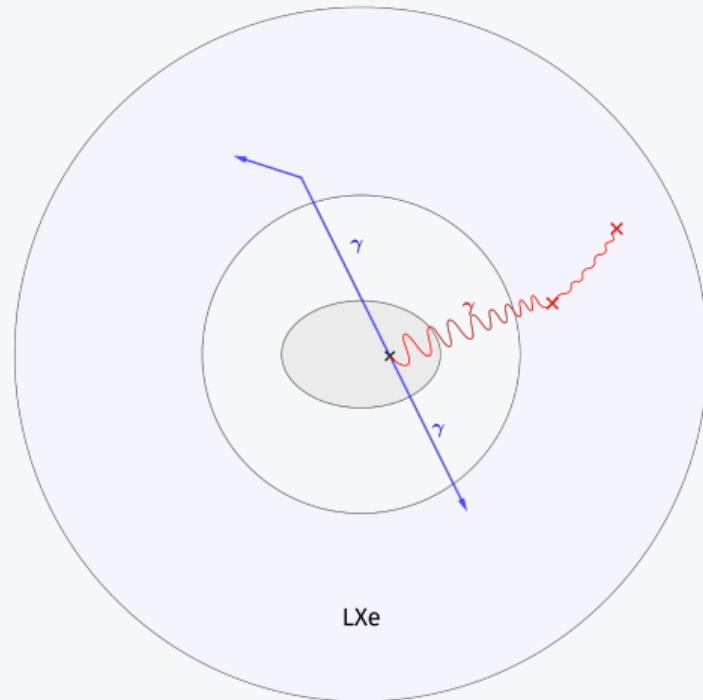
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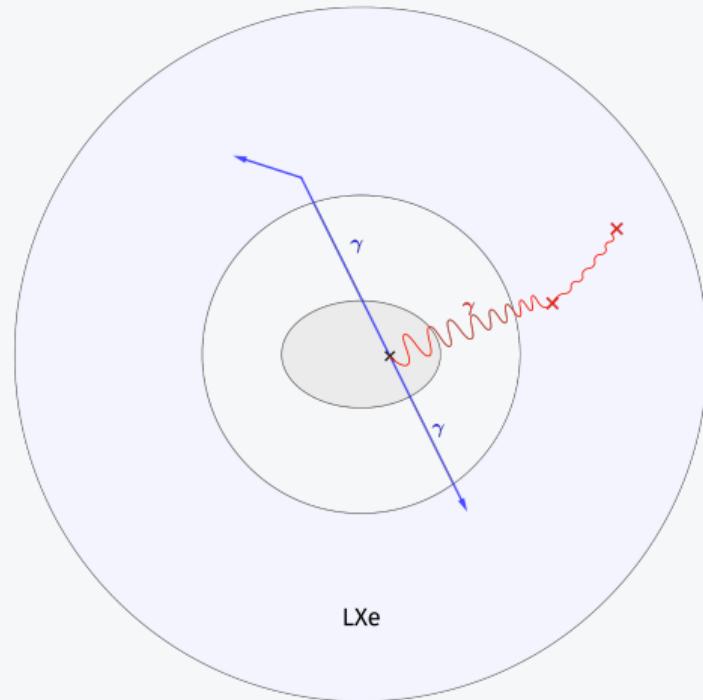
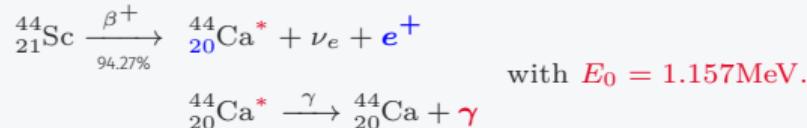
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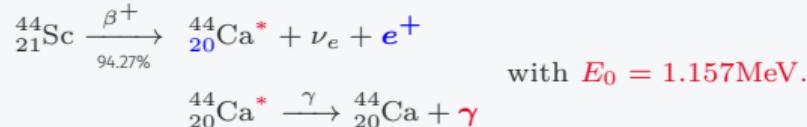
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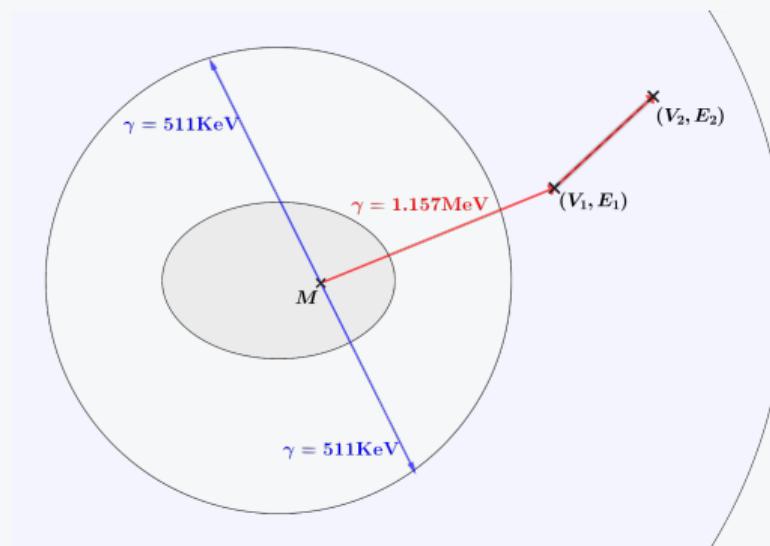
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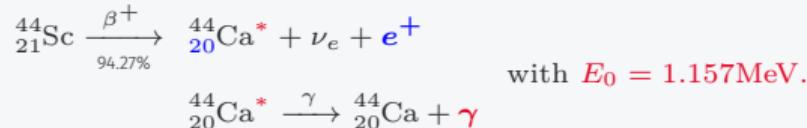


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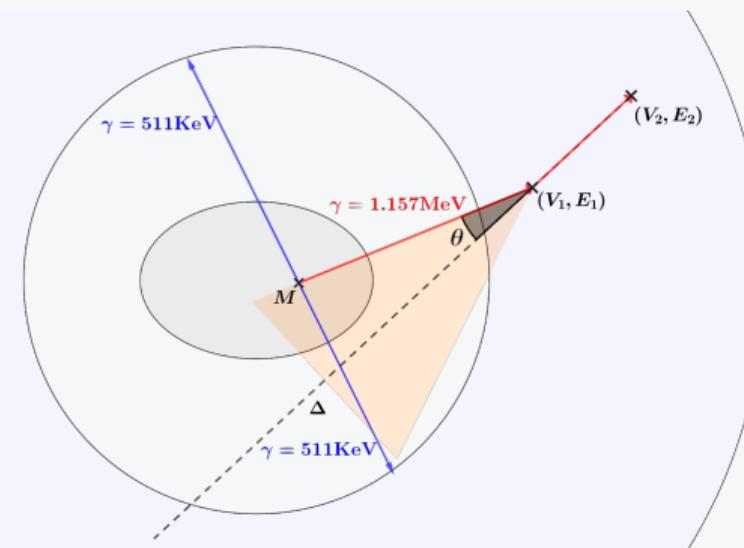
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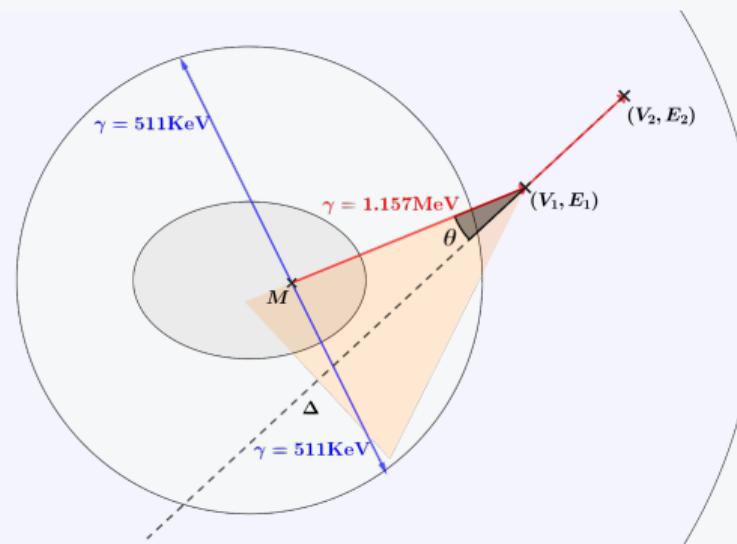
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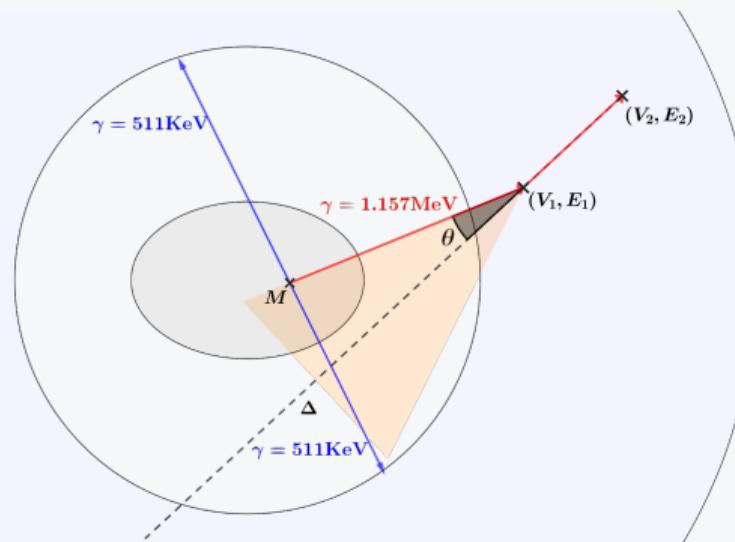
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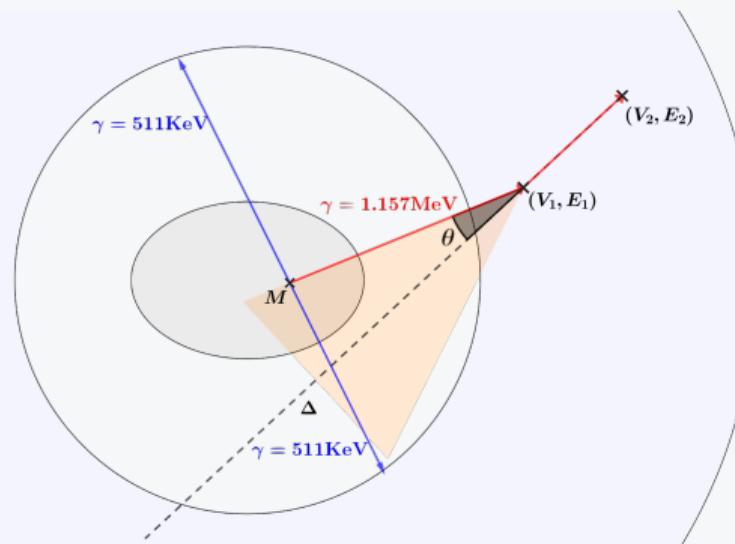
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Property: M lies on the Cone-Surface Response (CSR).

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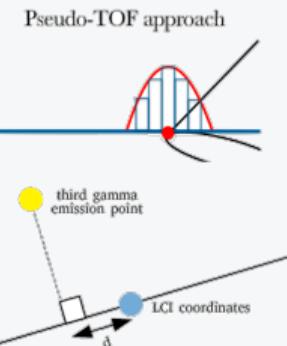
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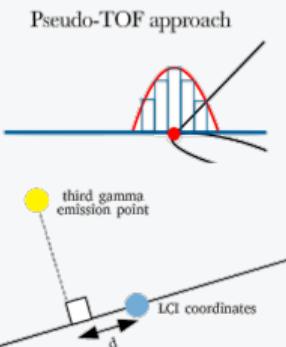
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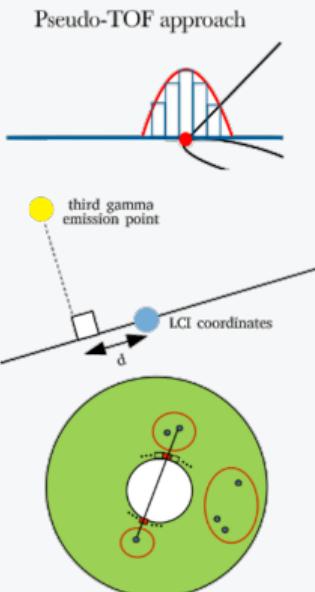
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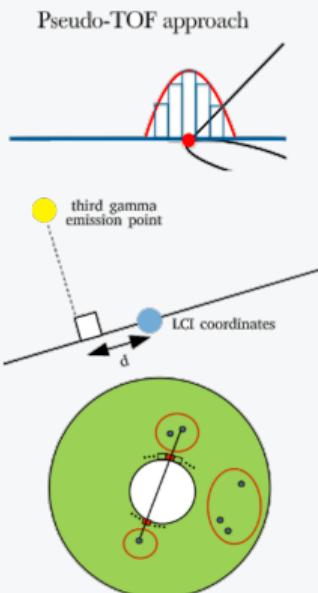
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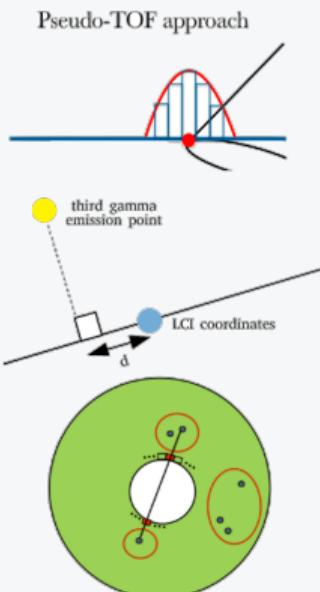
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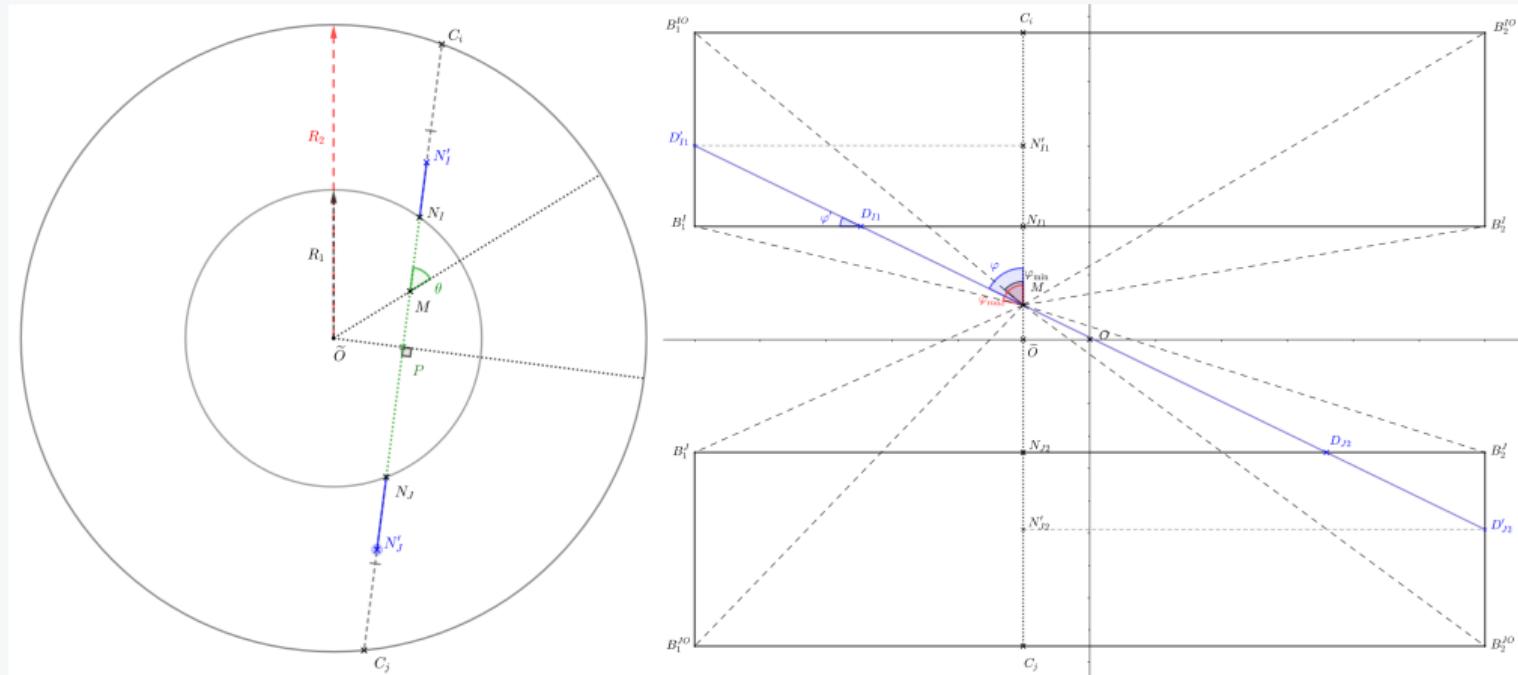
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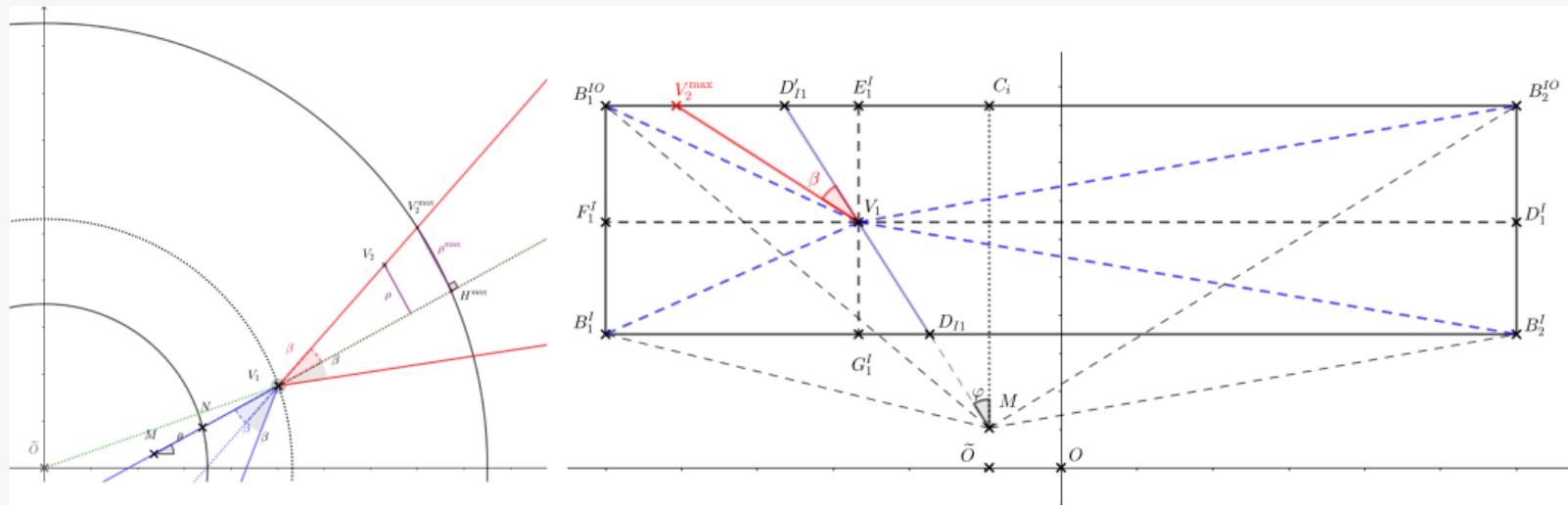


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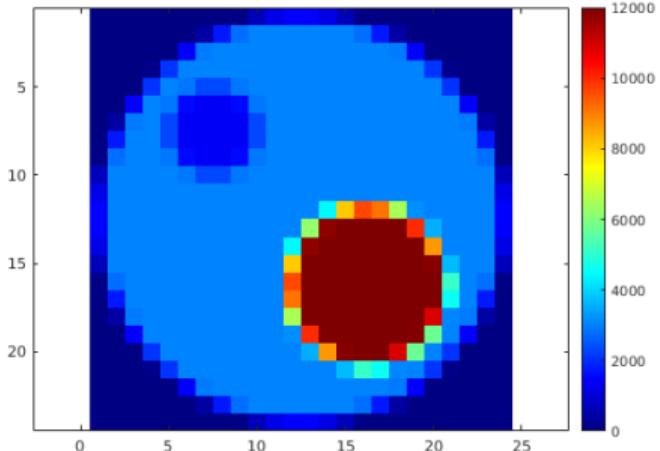
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Hello POLLUX!

A simple **home-made** Monte Carlo simulator based on **ray-tracing** techniques with some physical considerations e.g. positron range, mean free path, photon cross section, ...

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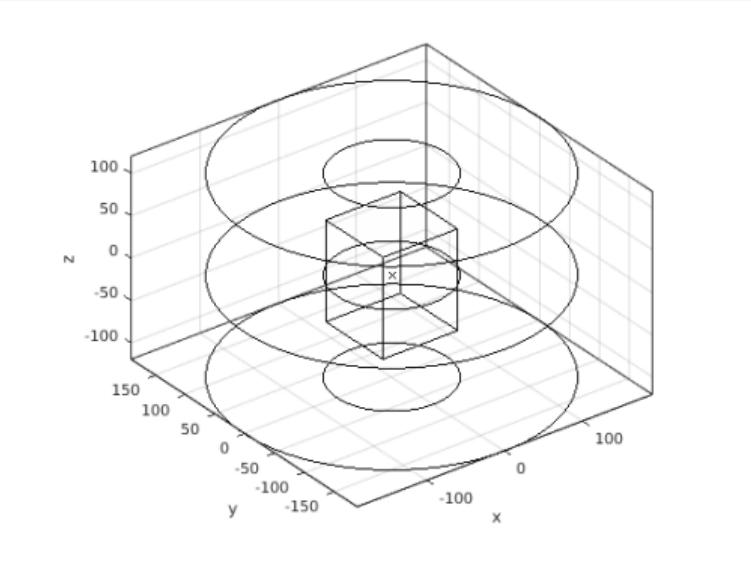
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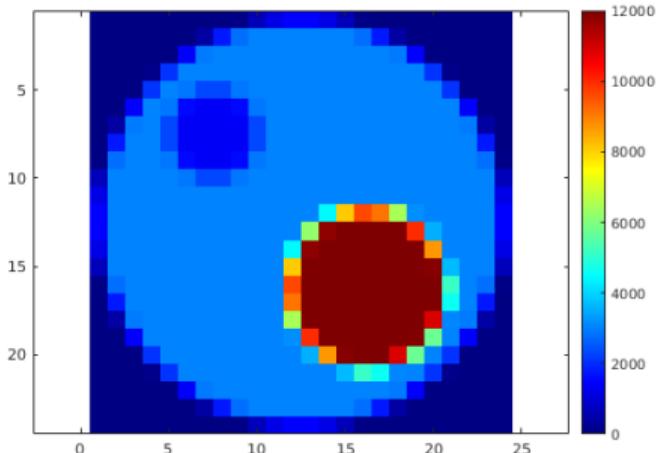
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LXe active zone:

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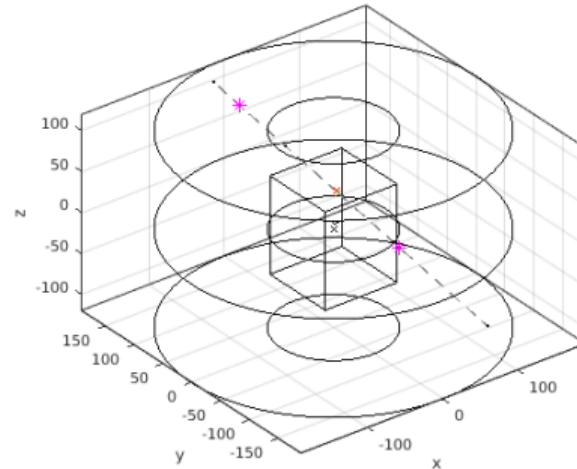


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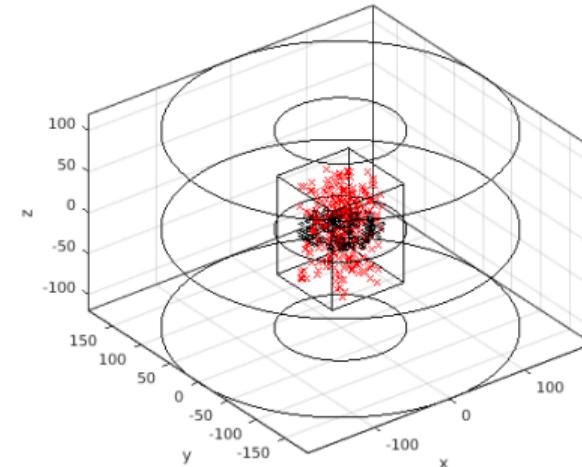
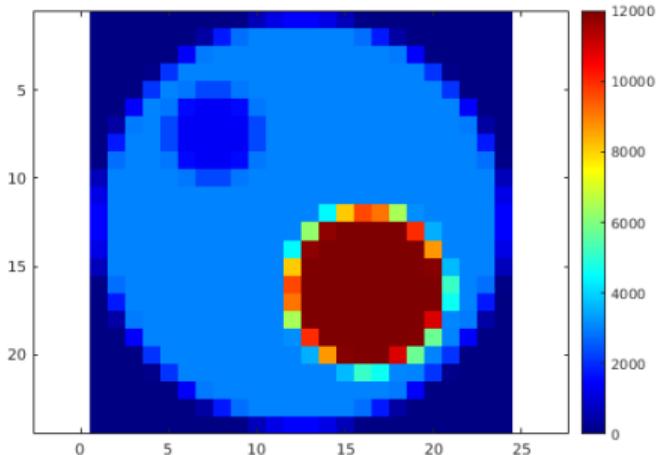


Positron range: $\sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, 2)$ with $\mu = 2.4$ ¹;

LXe Density: $\rho \approx 3.06 \text{ g.cm}^{-3}$;

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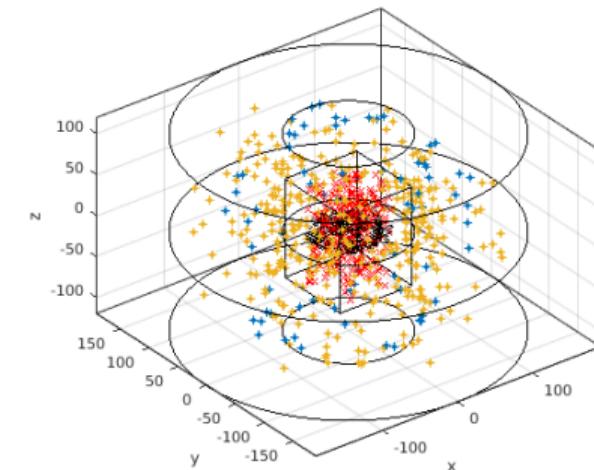
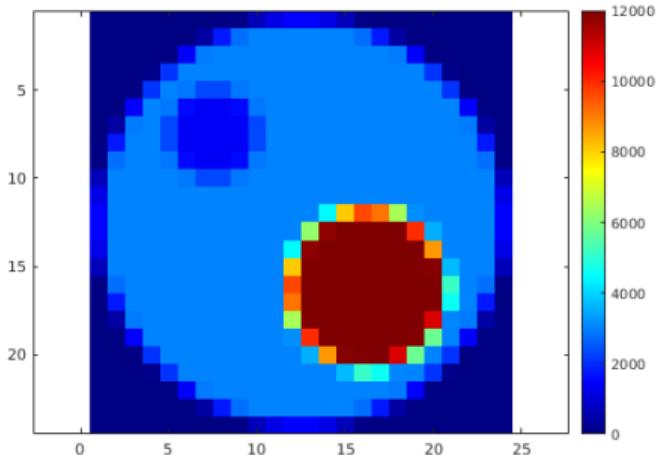
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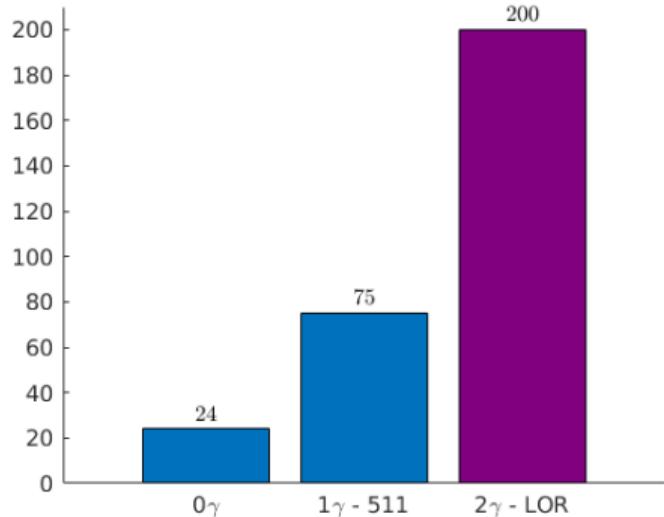
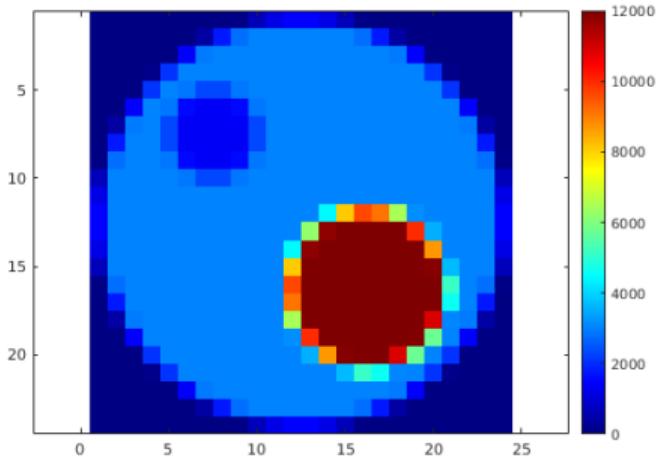
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Thank you for your attention

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XEnon Medical Imaging System (XEMIS)

Project start-up: 2004 by XENON team - SUBATECH laboratory (France).

XEMIS - Grignon et al. [2007]

Low-activity medical imaging

Development of the Compton camera with liquid xenon (LXe);

Based on the three-photon imaging technique (3γ)

Three-phased project:

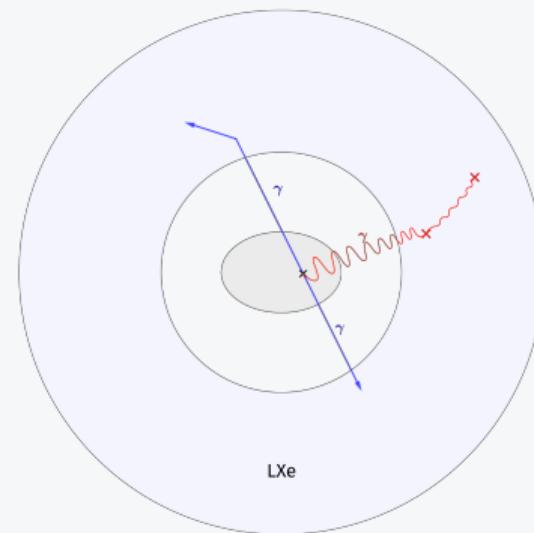
XEMIS1: Development of the LXe Compton telescope prototype;

XEMIS2: LXe pre-clinical camera for rodents total-body imaging;

XEMIS3: LXe clinical camera for total-body imaging.

Efforts are spent in **experimental design** of the camera.

¹Source: SUBATECH laboratory.



3γ imaging technique in XEMIS LXe detector.

Statistical model

Notations: $I := \#(\text{LOR})$, $J := \#(\text{voxels})$, $B := \#(\text{TOF-bins})$.

Tomographic reconstruction \equiv inverse problem

Given the measured coincidences: $\mathbf{y} := (y_{ib})_{i \in \llbracket 1, I \rrbracket, b \in \llbracket 1, B \rrbracket}$;

Estimate the radioactive density: $\lambda := (\lambda_j)_{j \in \llbracket 1, J \rrbracket}$.

Direct model

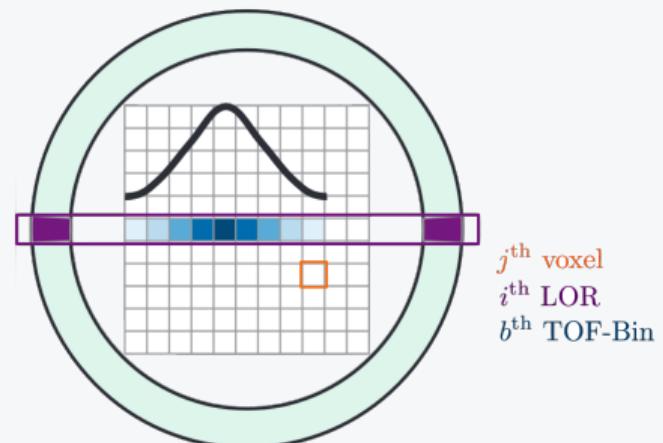
y_{ib} are i.i.d. s.t.

$$y_{ib} \sim \mathcal{P}(\bar{y}_{ib}) \quad \forall i \in \llbracket 1, I \rrbracket, \quad \forall b \in \llbracket 1, B \rrbracket$$

$$\bar{y}_{ib} := \sum_{j \in \llbracket 1, J \rrbracket} A_{ibj} \lambda_j + \bar{s}_{ib} + \bar{r}_i$$

Complex problem

- ⇒ Large dimensions of \mathbf{A} ;
- ⇒ Noisy measurement vector \mathbf{y} ;
- ⇒ Small perturbation in projection space \rightsquigarrow Large error in image space.



Notations - Cherry et al. [2012]

$$\widehat{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{\text{ML}} = \underset{\boldsymbol{\lambda} \in \mathbb{R}_+^J}{\operatorname{argmax}} (\log(\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\lambda} | \mathbf{y})))$$

MLEM algorithm¹:

Determine $\widehat{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{\text{ML}}$ for a probabilistic model depending on **latent data**;

Likelihood update equations:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{lcl} \boldsymbol{\lambda}^{(0)} & = & \lambda_j^{(0)} > 0 \\ \lambda_j^{(t+1)} & = & \lambda_j^{(t)} \times \frac{1}{\sum\limits_{\substack{i \in \llbracket 1, I \rrbracket \\ b \in \llbracket 1, B \rrbracket}} A_{ibj}} \sum\limits_{\substack{i \in \llbracket 1, I \rrbracket \\ b \in \llbracket 1, B \rrbracket}} A_{ibj} \frac{y_{ib}}{\sum\limits_{j' \in \llbracket 1, J \rrbracket} A_{ibj'} \lambda_{j'}^{(t)} + \bar{s}_{ib} + \bar{r}_i} \quad \forall j \in \llbracket 1, J \rrbracket \end{array} \right.$$

Properties:

- The MLEM converges to a $\widehat{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{\text{ML}}$;
- The densities (λ_j) are non-negative.

¹Originally developed by Dempster et al. [1977].

List-Mode MLEM - Parra and Barrett [1998]

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{\text{ML}} = \underset{\boldsymbol{\lambda} \in \mathbb{R}_+^J}{\text{argmax}} (\log(\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\lambda} | \mathbf{y})))$$

LM-MLEM algorithm:

Determine $\hat{\boldsymbol{\lambda}}^{\text{ML}}$ for a model depending on **latent data** with the **only detected events**¹ stored in a **list L** ;

Likelihood update equations:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{lcl} \lambda^{(0)} & = & \lambda_j^{(0)} > 0 \\ \lambda_j^{(t+1)} & = & \lambda_j^{(t)} \times \frac{1}{\sum_{i \in \llbracket 1, I \rrbracket} \int A_{ij}(v) dv} \sum_{\mathbf{n} \in \llbracket 1, N \rrbracket} A_{i \mathbf{n} j}(\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{n}}) \frac{1}{\sum_{j' \in \llbracket 1, J \rrbracket} A_{i \mathbf{n} j'}(\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{n}}) \lambda_{j'}^{(t)} + \bar{s}_{i \mathbf{n}}(\mathbf{v}_{\mathbf{n}}) + \bar{r}_{i \mathbf{n}}} \end{array} \right. \quad \forall j \in \llbracket 1, J \rrbracket$$

where $y_{ib} \in \{0, 1\}$ $\forall i \in \llbracket 1, I \rrbracket, b \in \llbracket 1, B \rrbracket$ and $N := \text{Card}(L)$

Further properties:

- Each event can be treated as a point in a continuous measurement space;
- ⇒ **No discretization** of data ↵ preserve accuracy of measurement.

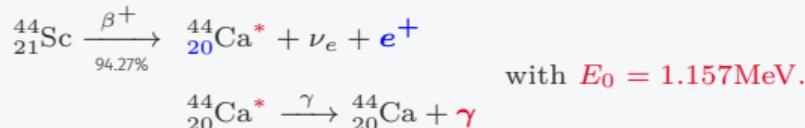
¹Spatial, temporal and energy data.

XEMIS2 camera & 3γ imaging

XEMIS2

A monolithic, cylindrical & total-body Compton camera:

Scandium-44: (β^+, γ) radionuclide:



Assumptions

Let M be a decay source \Rightarrow Compton cone:

Apex: V_1 ;

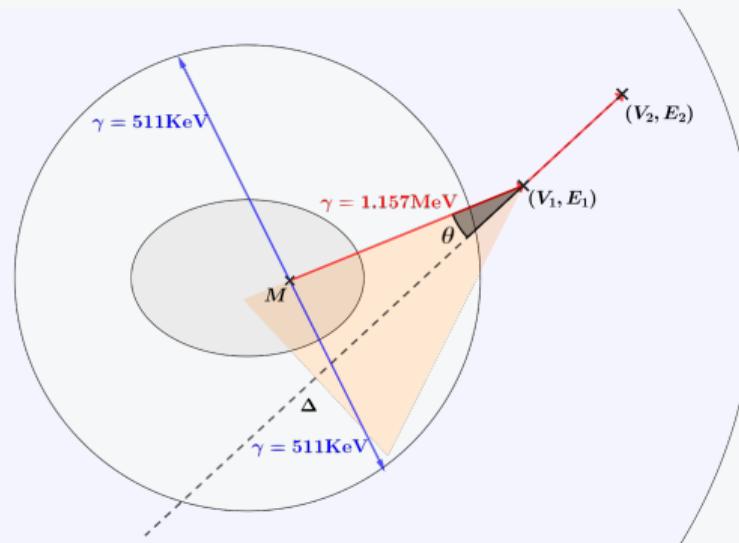
Axis: $\Delta = \overrightarrow{V_2 V_1}$;

Angle: $\theta = \arccos \left(1 - \frac{m_e c^2 E_1}{E_0(E_0 - E_1)} \right)$;

Property: M lies on the Cone-Surface Response (CSR).

Opportunity: LOR/CSR intersection;

Challenge: Reconstruct the image from a continuous 3γ signal.



Idea: continuous 3γ reconstruction as TOF-PET using block detectors.

Pseudo-TOF method:

Transform information from 3rd γ into a TOF information $\Rightarrow \mathcal{N}(v, \sigma^2)$

v : LOR/CSR Intersection (LCI);

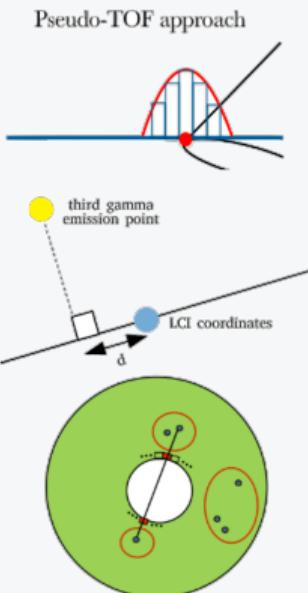
σ : pseudo-TOF standard deviation.

Assumptions :

- σ is **fixed** whatever the orientation of the γ wrt. the LOR;
- Virtual discretization of the continuous detector;
- Only 3γ events are taken into account.

Proportions of events:

3 γ ~ 10%, 2 γ ~ 50%, 1 γ ~ 40%



Pseudo-TOF Method¹

¹Source: Giovagnoli [2020]

Our approach

$$3\gamma \sim 10\%, \quad 2\gamma \sim 50\%, \quad 1\gamma \sim 40\%$$

Purpose of my PhD thesis

Design and implementation of reconstruction algorithms for the 3γ imaging provided by the XEMIS2 camera.

Our methodology

- Derivation of a LM-MLEM algorithm taking into account
 - the continuous aspect of the LXe detection space
 - handling the all types of events i.e. 1γ , 2γ or 3γ

Continuous LM-MLEM

Reformulation of the LM-MLEM in the continuous space :

$$\begin{cases} \lambda^{(0)} &= \lambda_j^{(0)} > 0 \\ \lambda_j^{(t+1)} &= \lambda_j^{(t)} \times \underbrace{\frac{1}{\int_{\delta \in \mathcal{L}} A_j(\delta) d\delta}_{=s_j}}_{n \in \llbracket 1, N \rrbracket} \sum_{j' \in \llbracket 1, J \rrbracket} A_{j'}(\delta_n) \frac{1}{\lambda_{j'}^{(t)} + \varepsilon(\delta_n)} \quad \forall j \in \llbracket 1, J \rrbracket \end{cases}$$

where

δ : integration variable associated to an event;

\mathcal{L} : detection domain given by:

1 γ : a CSR with $E_0 = 511\text{keV}$

or a CSR with $E_0 = 1.157\text{MeV}$

2 γ : a LOR i.e. $2 \times E_0 = 511\text{keV}$

or a 2 CSR intersection with $E_0 = 511\text{keV}$ & $E_0 = 1.157\text{MeV}$

3 γ : a combination of independent LOR & CSR.

So: there are 5 types of events to consider!

CASToR & POLLUX

Algorithm implementation: using CASToR¹ framework - Merlin et al. [2018];

For the time being

CASToR is implemented for **standard PET camera**:

- discrete detectors;
- LOR events.

Upgrading Castor

We have to **extend** CASToR with:

- continuous detection space capability with associated sensitivity computation;
- a CSR projector e.g. Ellipse-stacking method or Ray-tracing method²;
- new types of events including 1γ for Compton imaging and 3γ .

⇒ Some data are required!

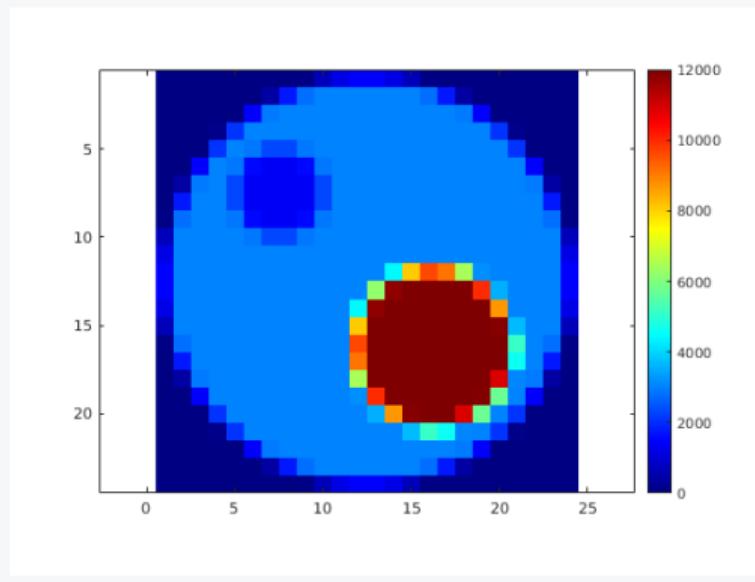
Hello POLLUX!

A simple **home-made** Monte Carlo simulator based on **ray-tracing** techniques with some physical considerations e.g. positron range, mean free path, photon cross section, ...

¹Customizable and Advanced Software for Tomographic Reconstruction

²Sources: Ellipse-stacking method - Wilderman et al. [1998], Ray-tracing method - Kim et al. [2007]

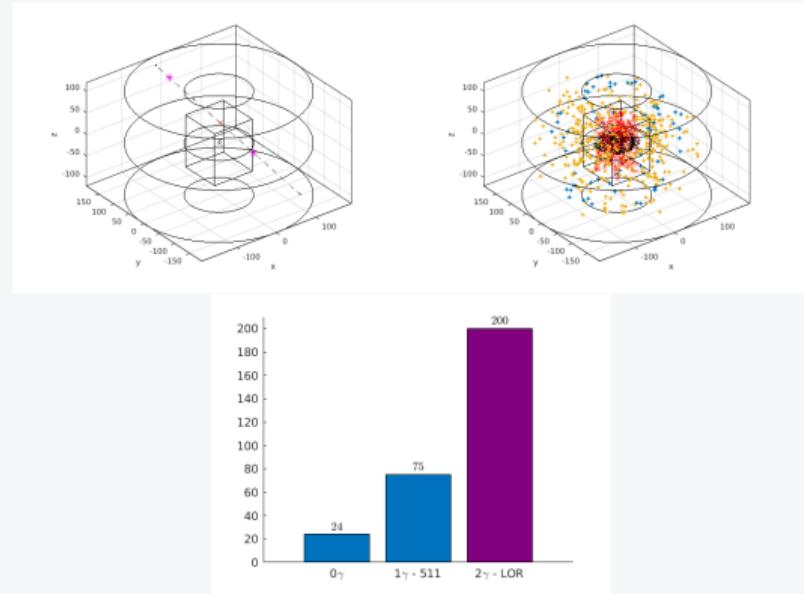
POLLUX - 2γ LOR case



Voxel size: $4 \times 4 \times 4 \text{ mm}^3$

Image size: $96 \times 96 \times 120 \text{ mm}^3$

Total number of voxel: $J = 17280$



Positron range: $\sim \mathcal{N}(2.4, 2)$;

LXe Density: $\rho \approx 3.06 \text{ g.cm}^{-3}$;

Attenuation coeff.: $\mu \approx 0.291 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ for $E_0 = 511\text{keV}$.

Next steps:

Sensitivity calculation:

⇒ Evaluation of the multiples integrals with Monte Carlo calculation implemented in CASToR.

Continuous LM-MLEM :

Consider the 5 types of events in the reconstruction method;

⇒ Derivation of the maximum likelihood equation for the cases 1, 2, 3 γ ;

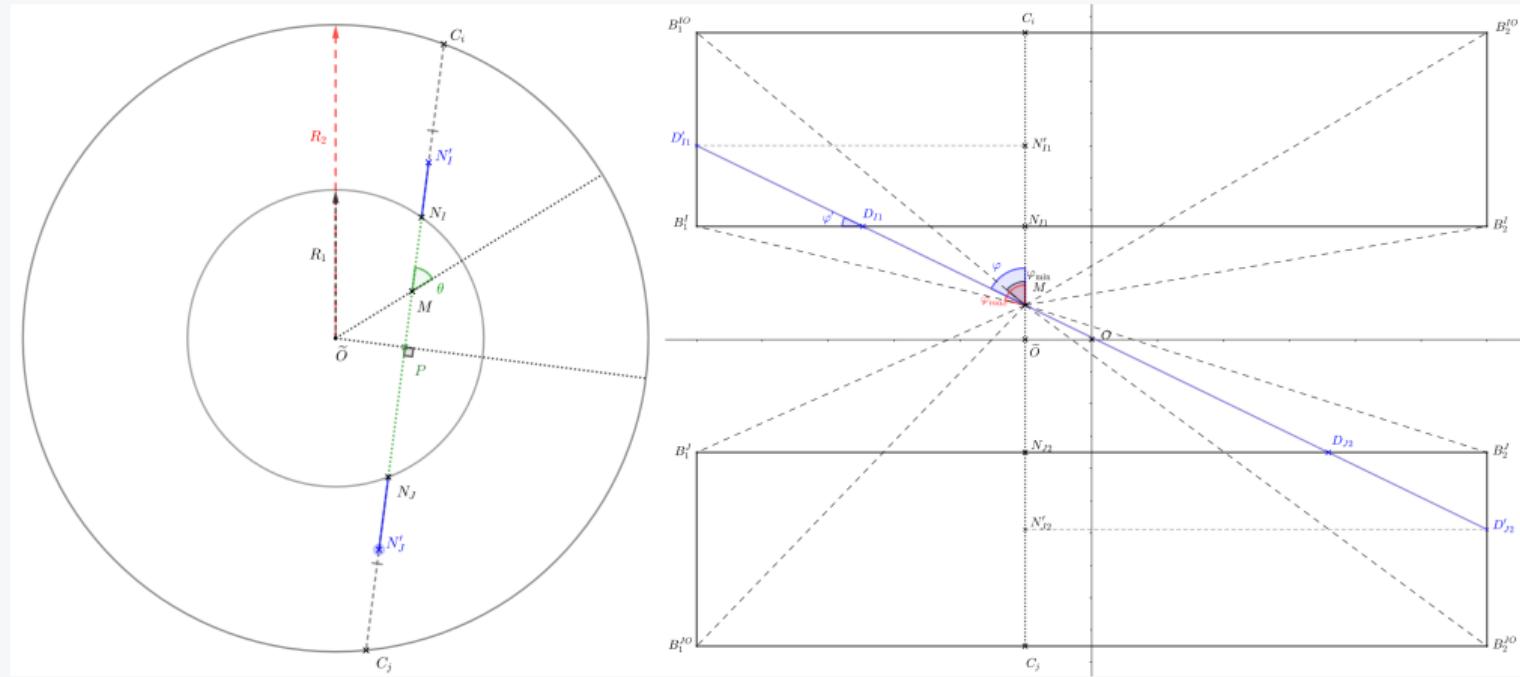
Design of the dedicated algorithm and implementation in **CASToR** framework;

Assessment of the algorithm with simulated and real data.

Sensitivity calculation

Inspiration: Maxim et al. [2015], Feng [2019] for LM-MLEM Compton reconstruction.

Let M be an emission point of a E_0 photon belonging to the voxel j in the FOV

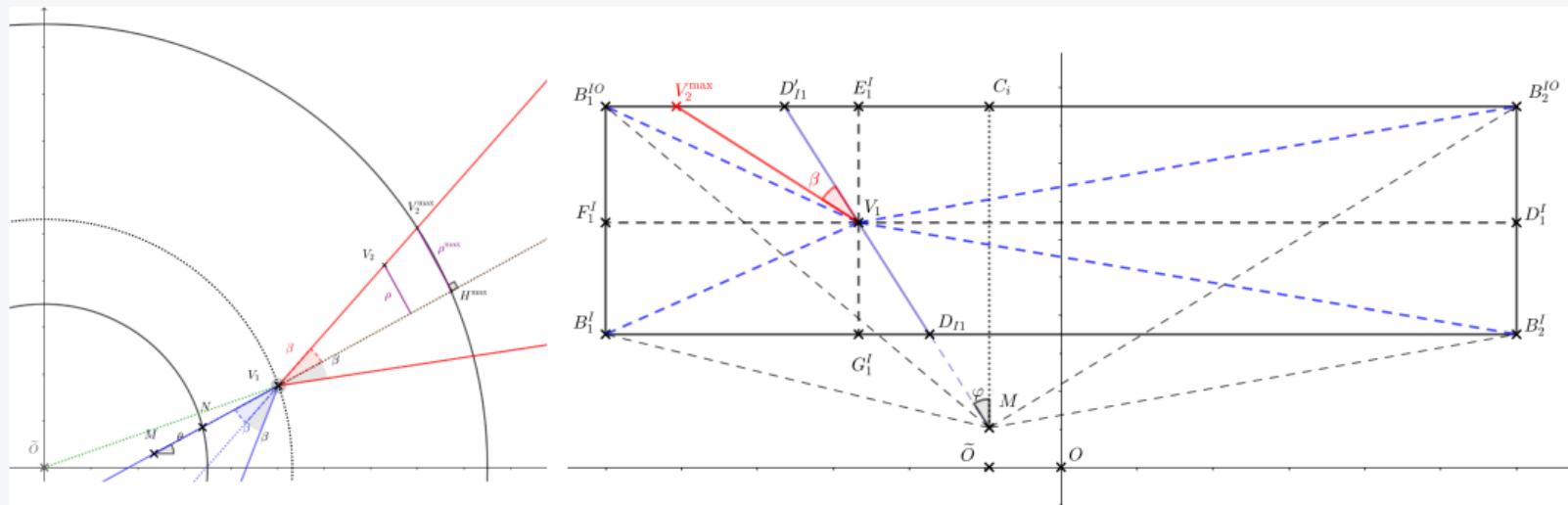


2γ Annihilation case

Sensitivity calculation

Inspiration: Maxim et al. [2015], Feng [2019] for LM-MLEM Compton reconstruction.

Let M be an emission point of a E_0 photon belonging to the voxel j in the FOV



1γ case with incident energy E_0

Sensitivity calculation

Let M be an emission point of a $\textcolor{red}{E}_0$ photon belonging to the voxel j in the FOV:

$$s_{2\gamma}(M) := \int_{\theta=0}^{\pi} \int_{\varphi=0}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} p_i \left(\frac{1}{|\cos(\varphi)|} \left(\sqrt{R_{\text{out}}^{2\gamma}(\varphi, I1)^2 - \tilde{O}P^2} - Q \right) \right) \times p_i \left(\frac{1}{|\cos(\varphi)|} \left(\sqrt{R_{\text{out}}^{2\gamma}(\varphi, J2)^2 - \tilde{O}P^2} - Q \right) \right) d\varphi \\ + \int_{\varphi=-\frac{\pi}{2}}^0 p_i \left(\frac{1}{|\cos(\varphi)|} \left(\sqrt{R_{\text{out}}^{2\gamma}(\varphi, I2)^2 - \tilde{O}P^2} - Q \right) \right) \times p_i \left(\frac{1}{|\cos(\varphi)|} \left(\sqrt{R_{\text{out}}^{2\gamma}(\varphi, J1)^2 - \tilde{O}P^2} - Q \right) \right) d\varphi d\theta$$

$$\tilde{O}P := \sin(\theta) \tilde{O}M, \quad Q := \sqrt{R_1^2 - \tilde{O}P^2}.$$

$$s_{1\gamma}(M) := \int_{\theta=0}^{2\pi} \left[\int_{\varphi=0}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_{v=R_{\text{in}}}^{R_{\text{out}}^{1\gamma}(\varphi, I1)} h(\varphi, \theta, v) dv d\varphi + \int_{\varphi=\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\pi} \int_{v=R_{\text{in}}}^{R_{\text{out}}^{1\gamma}(\varphi, J1)} h(\varphi, \theta, v) dv d\varphi \right. \\ \left. + \int_{\varphi=-\frac{\pi}{2}}^0 \int_{v=R_{\text{in}}}^{R_{\text{out}}^{1\gamma}(\varphi, I2)} h(\varphi, \theta, v) dv d\varphi + \int_{\varphi=-\pi}^{-\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_{v=R_{\text{in}}}^{R_{\text{out}}^{1\gamma}(\varphi, J2)} h(\varphi, \theta, v) dv d\varphi \right] d\theta$$

with $h(\varphi, \theta, v) := f(\varphi, \theta, v) \times C(v, \theta, \varphi)$

$$f(\varphi, \theta, v) := p_i \left(\frac{1}{|\cos(\varphi)|} \left(\sqrt{v^2 - \sin^2(\theta) \tilde{O}M^2} - \sqrt{\frac{2}{R_{\text{in}}} - \sin^2(\theta) \tilde{O}M^2} \right) \right)$$

$$C(v, \theta, \varphi) := \int_{\beta=-\pi}^{\pi} K(\beta | \textcolor{red}{E}_0) \int_{\omega=0}^{2\pi} \int_{\rho=0}^{\rho_{\max}(v, \theta, \varphi, \beta, \omega)} p'_i \left(\|\overrightarrow{V_1 V_2}\|_2 \right) d\beta d\omega d\rho$$