

COMPET- Characterization of a High Resolution and High Sensitivity Pre-Clinical PET Scanner with 3D Event Reconstruction

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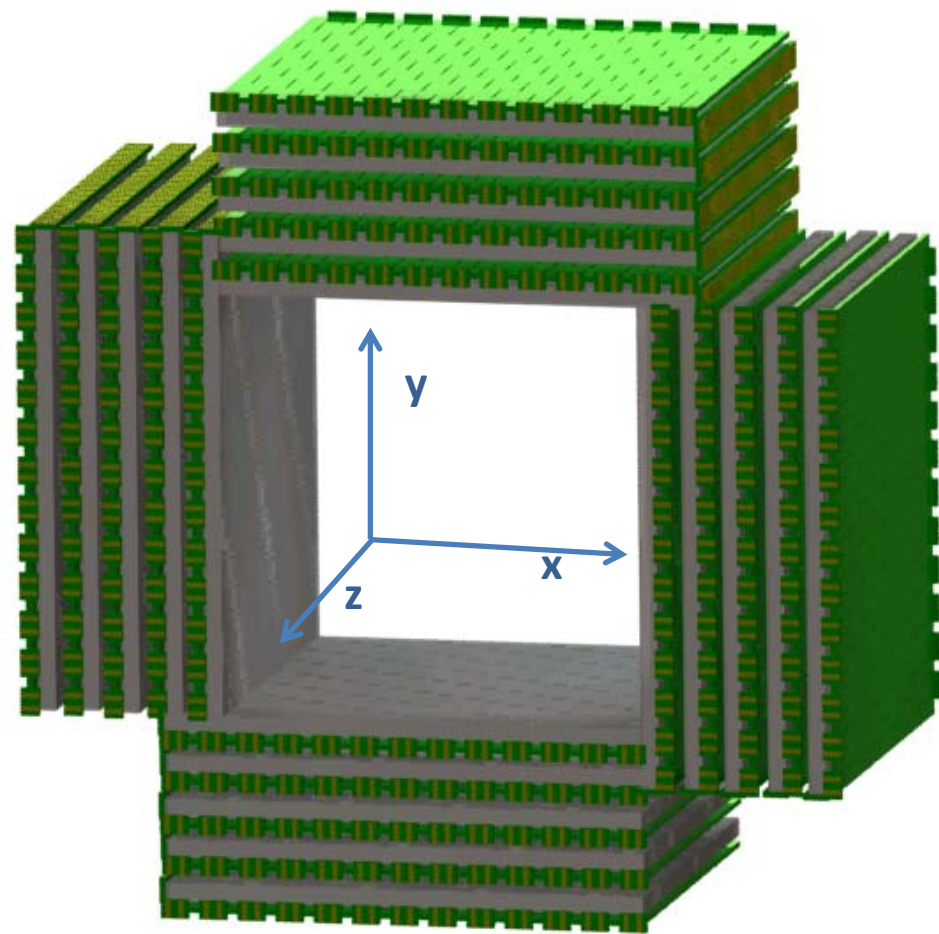
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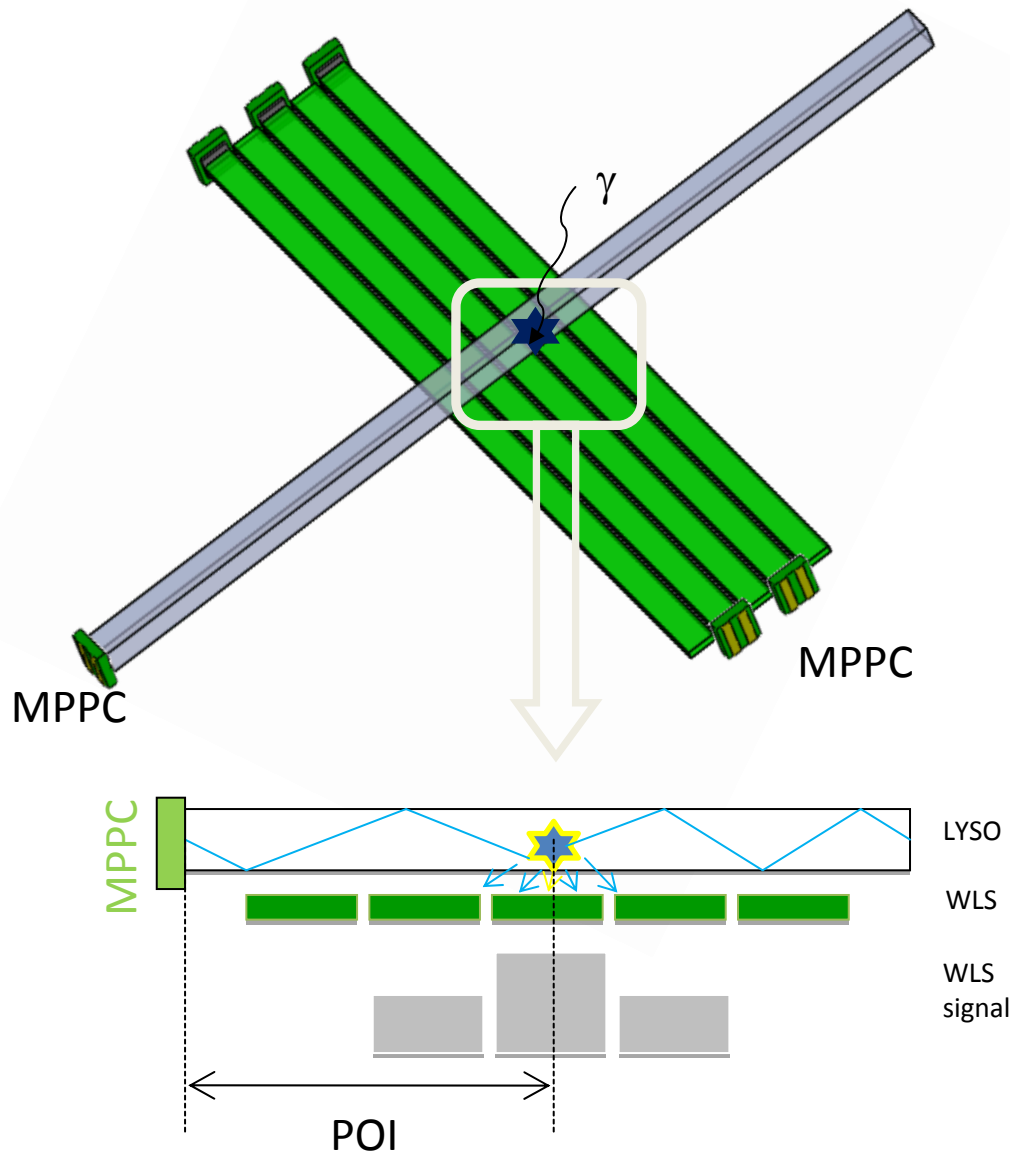


COMPET - Facts



- 4-8cm bore opening (adjustable) with 8cm axial view
- very high sensitivity (16%)
- high resolution (sub-millimeter)
- 3D event reconstruction
- no inter module and inter crystal gap
- High data throughput
FPGA/ethernet readout
(~Mevents/sec)
- Backend computer farm for data taking and image reconstruction
- MRI compability

COMPET: POI Measurement Concept

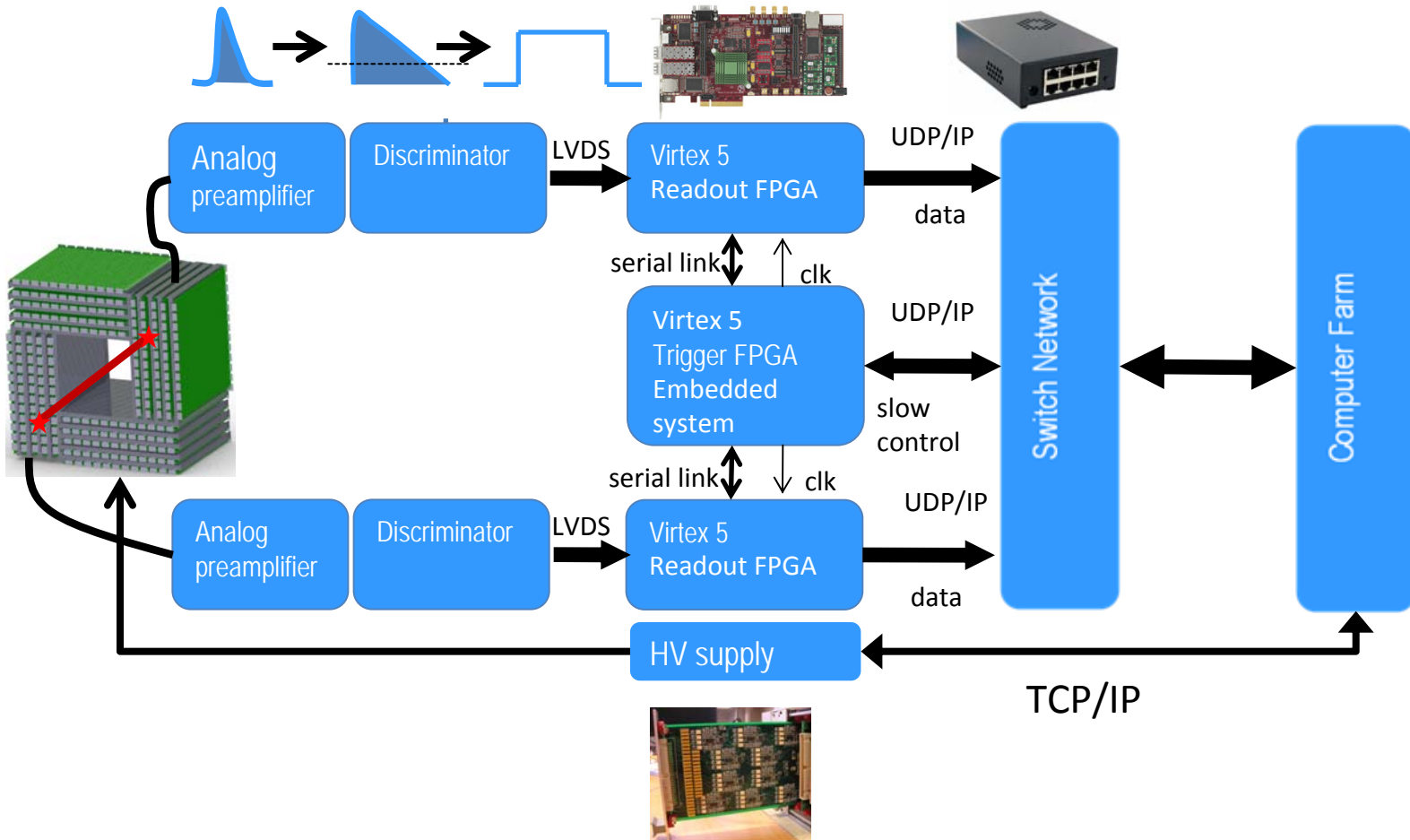


Number of detector elements:
1080
Classical scanner with similar
resolution and sensitivity:
20000 - 30000

See also AxPET (this session)
The AX-PET demonstrator—
Design, construction and
characterization

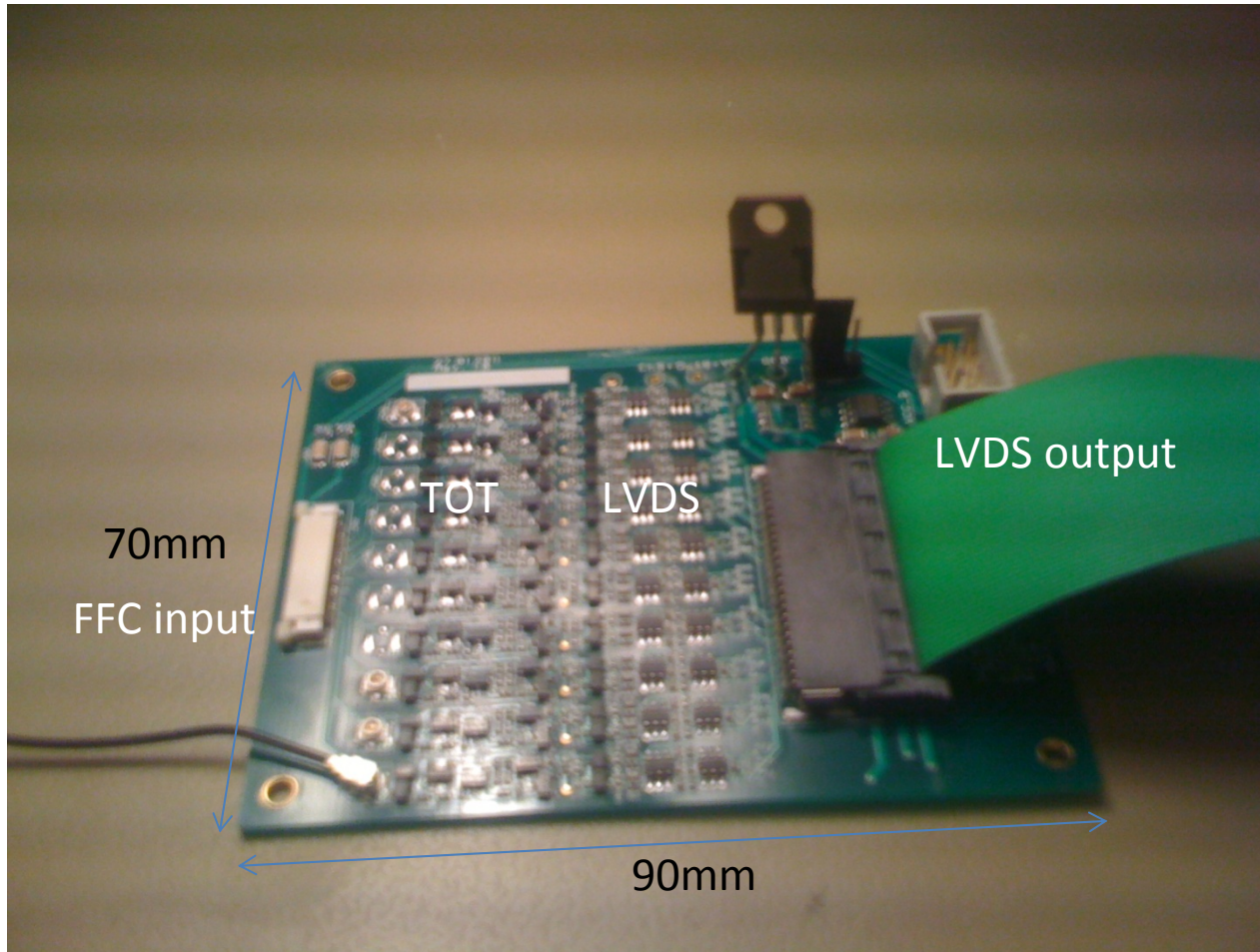
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Readout Scheme



600 LYSO channels, 480 WLS

PreAmp



channels: 10
cards: ~150

Readout Scheme: FPGA



Fast Digitizer

- 1Gs sampling rate
- Continuously sampling
- No external trigger needed!

Parameterization Filter

- Extract time and amplitude information
- TDC/QDC

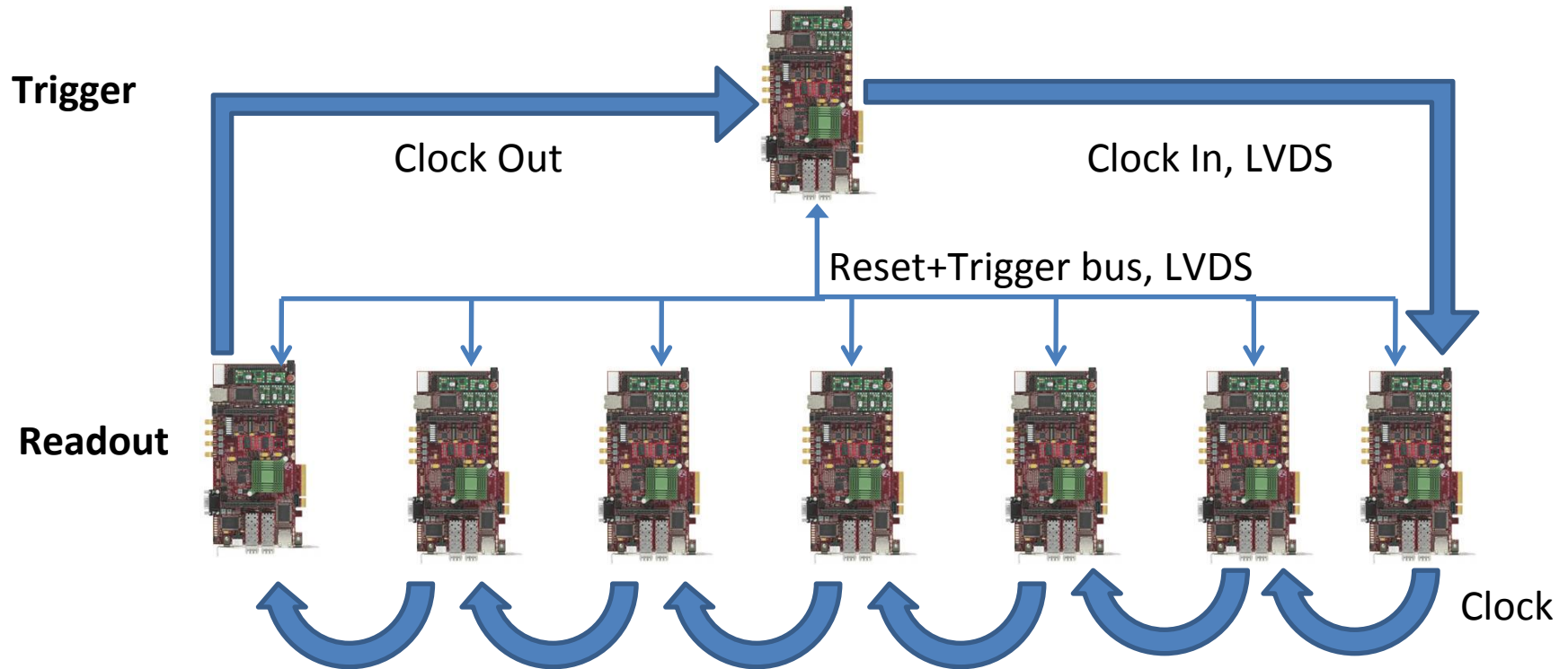
Event Builder

- Incremented with each global coincidence
- All events tagged with global event number

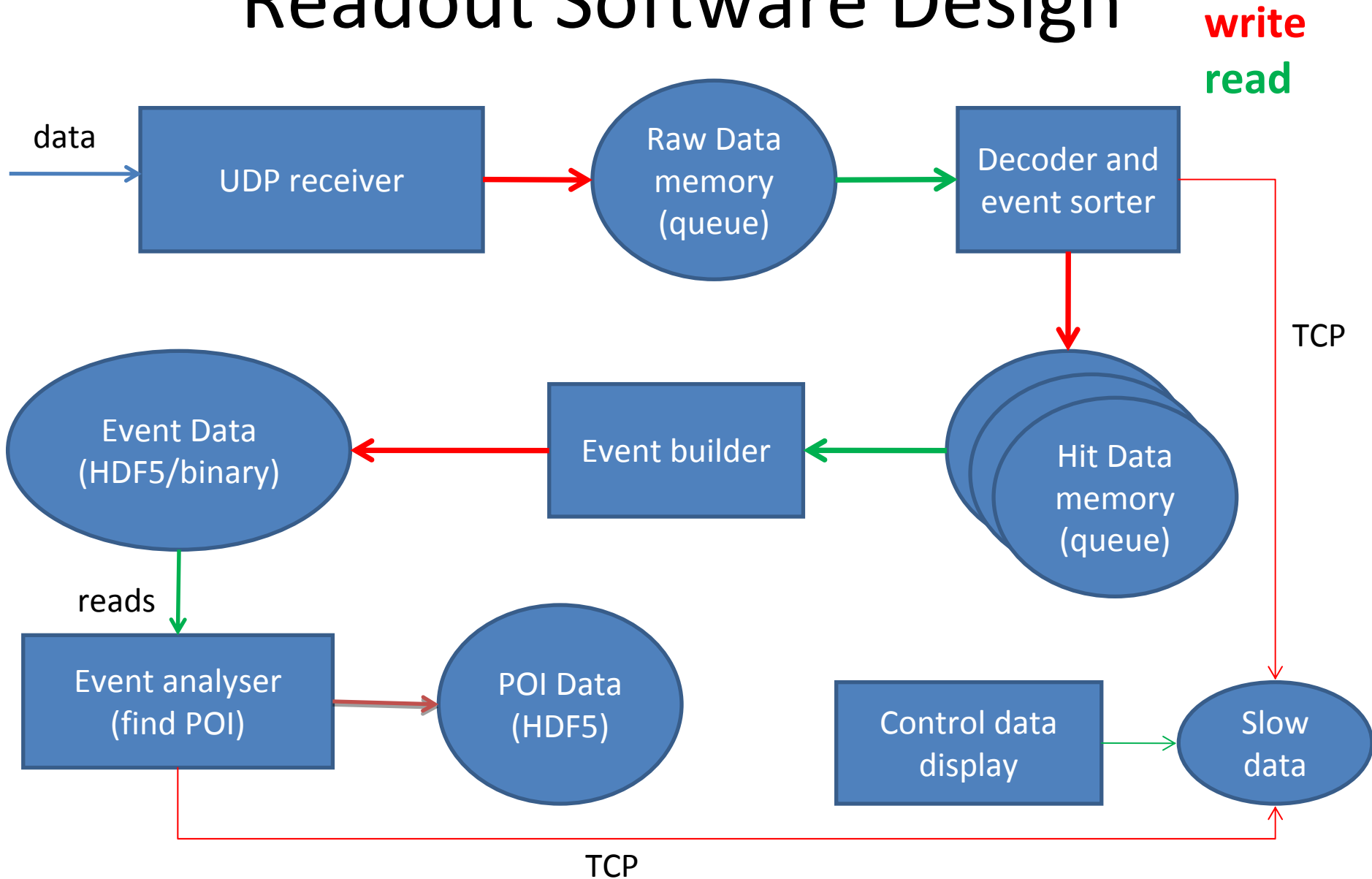
Ethernet

- 1Gb/s link
- UDP data packets

Clock Distribution / Trigger / Reset



Readout Software Design



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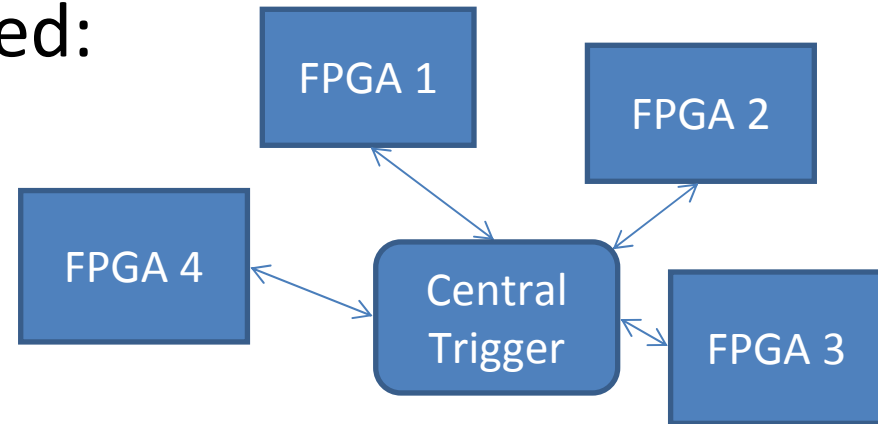
- 4 independent threads:
 - UDP receiver
 - Decoder: Decodes and sorts the hits to events
 - Event generator: build HDF5 tables consisting of the same event number
 - Event analyser: clusters the event data, finds corresponding WLS+LYSO data, finds the POI.
- Thread safety:
 - Mutexes/condition variables for access to queues (FIFOs) and slot memory.
- Maximal coincidence rate/computer with test pulser: **200 kcps**

Trigger Scheme

- 2 Trigger to be implemented:

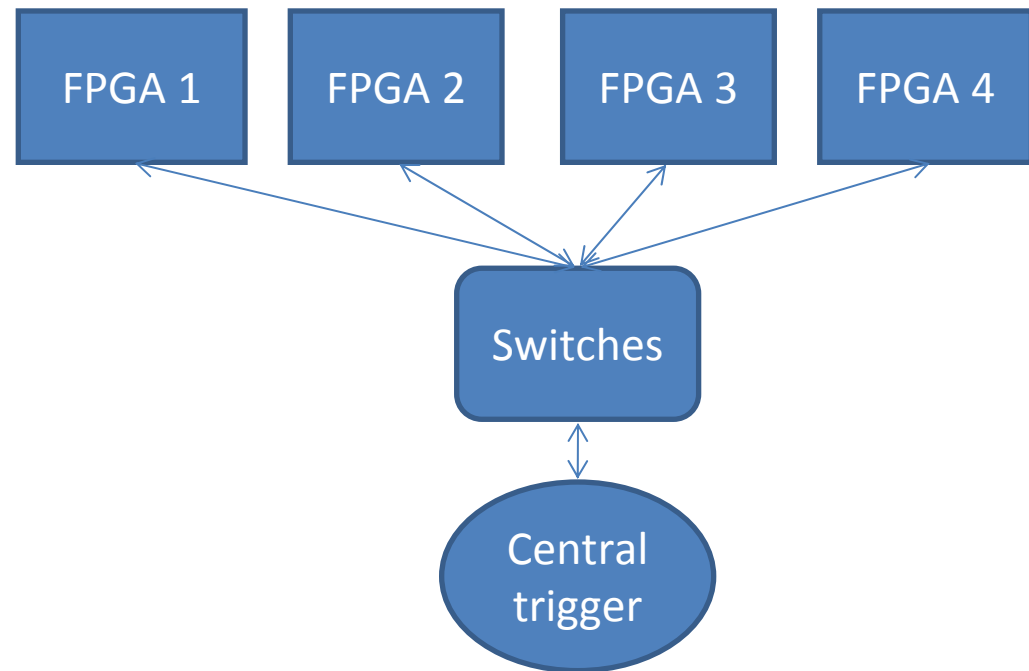
- Synchronous trigger in real time through direct links:

implemented, working

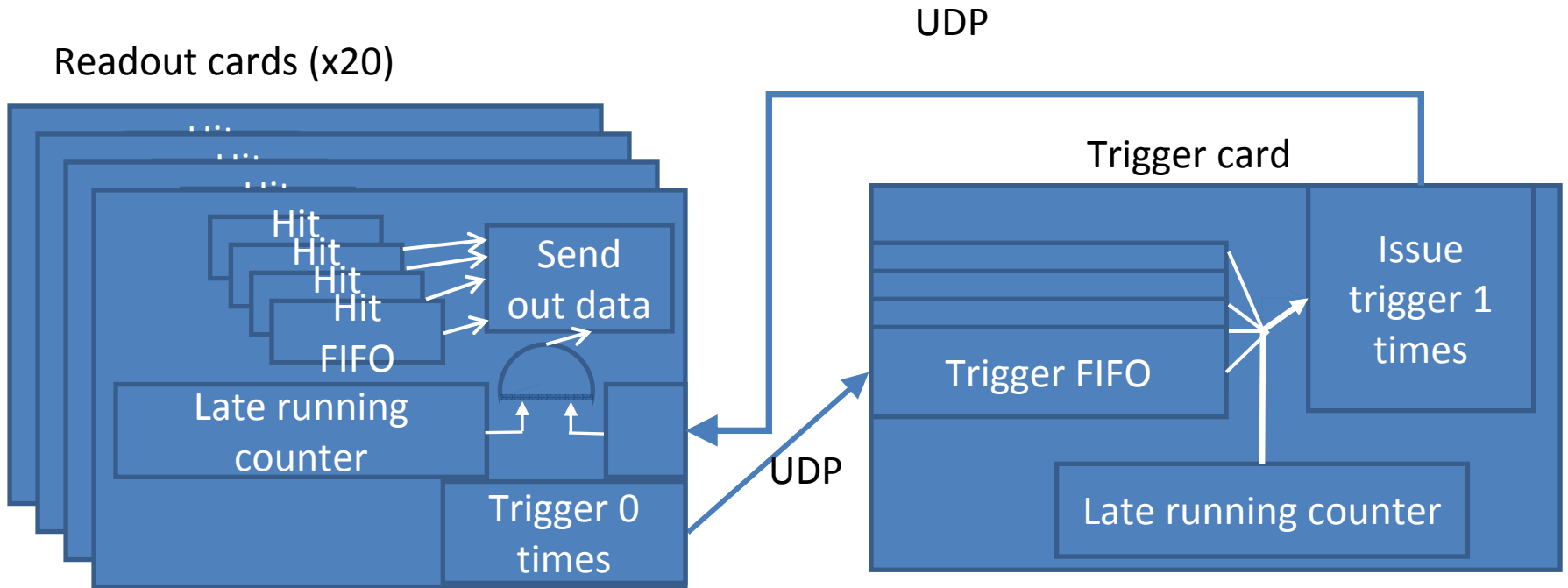


- Asynchronous trigger through Ethernet (UDP/IP)

50% implemented



ETHERNET/UDP Trigger

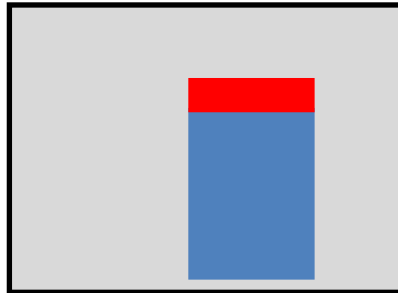


Good to scale, uses only standard network components

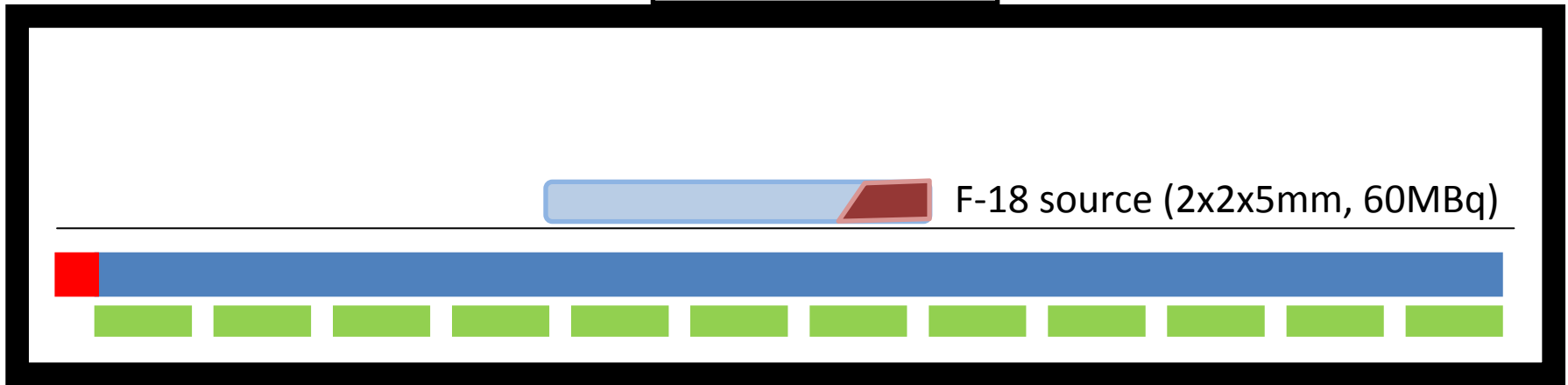
Bottleneck: Network capacity, FIFO sizes

First Module Test Results: One Layer + Tagger

Setup:
10 LYSO crystals
12 WLS
Tagger
60MBq F-18 source

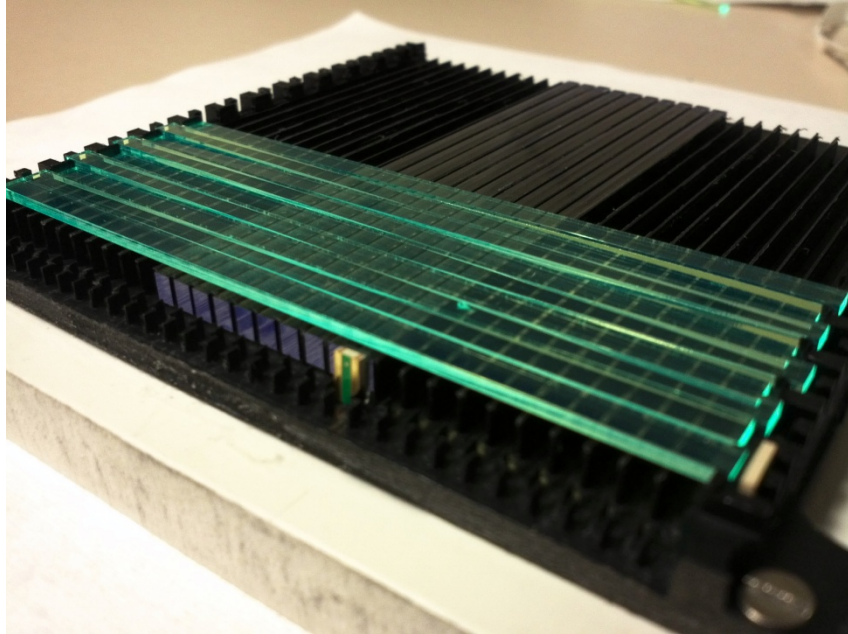


Tagger 2x2x5 cm³



Tagger rate: 6.2 kcps
LYSO rate (10 channels): 1.3 Mcps
Trigger/readout rate: 500 cps

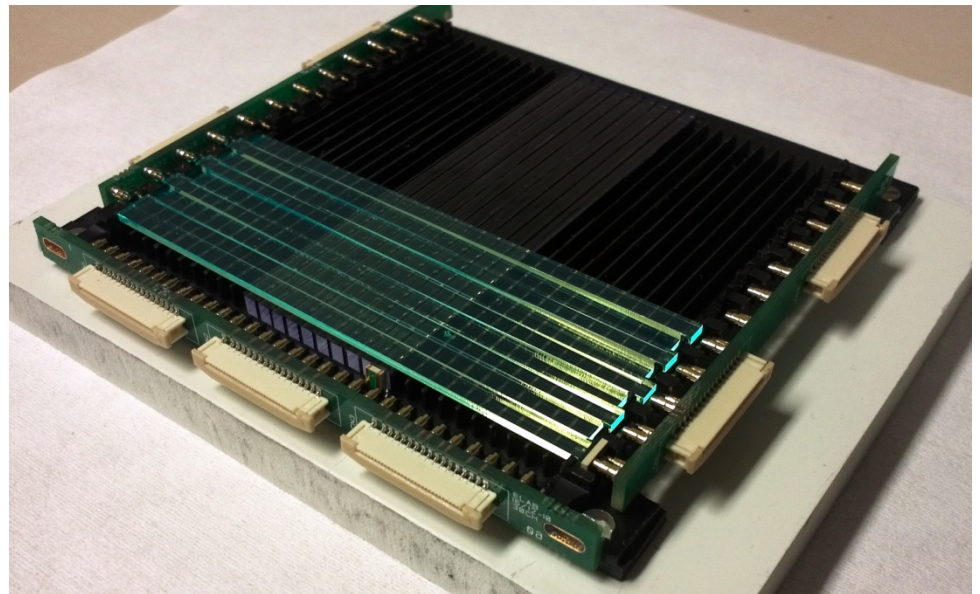
Assembly of the First Layer



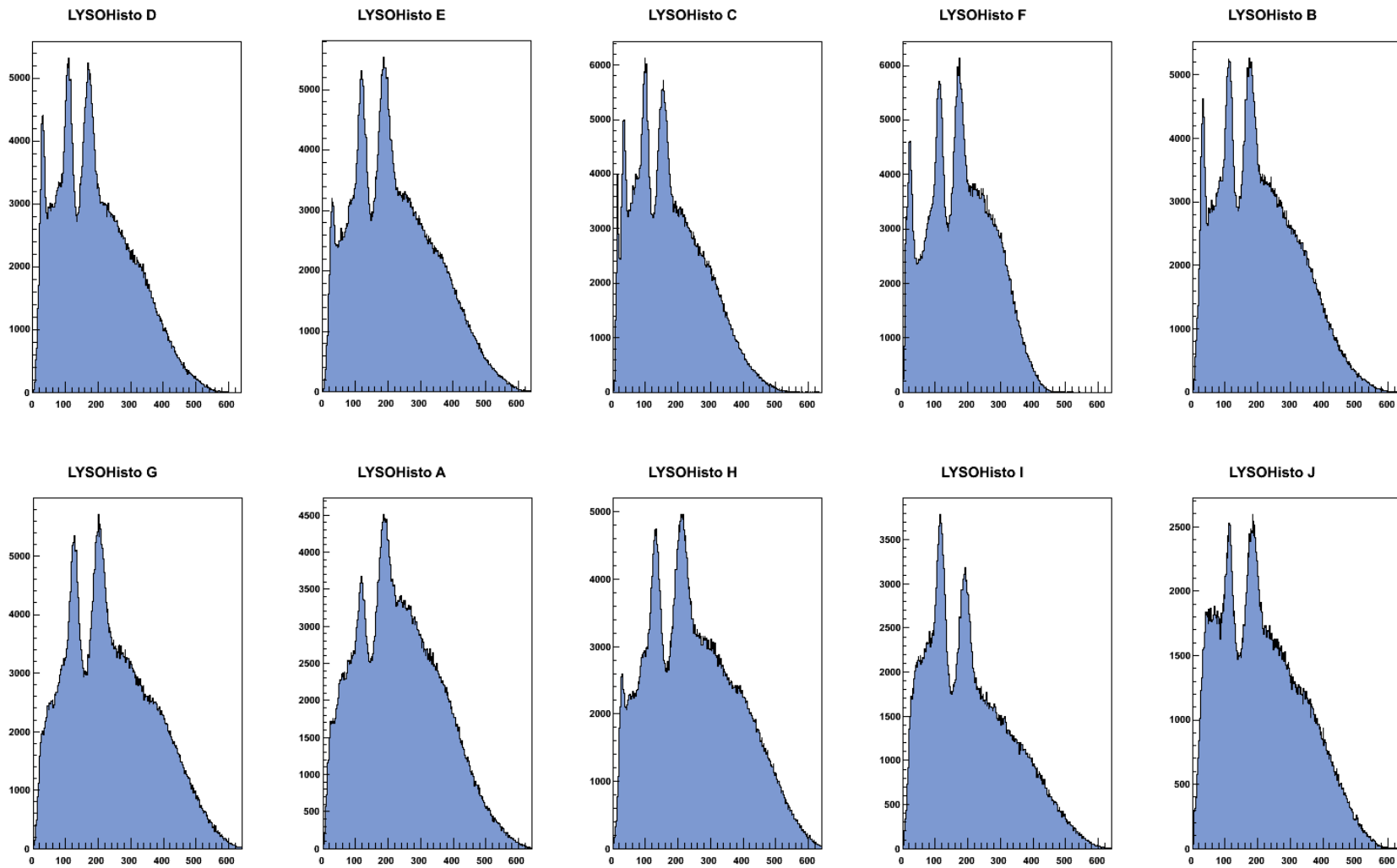
12 WLS

10 LYSO

Connected to COMPET readout



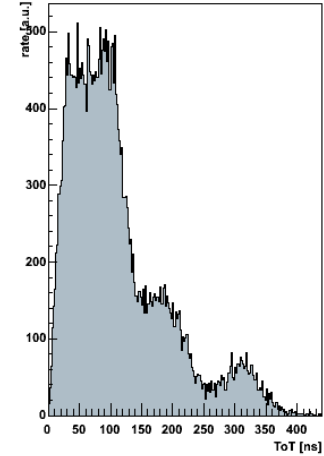
Intrinsic Spectra (LYSO)



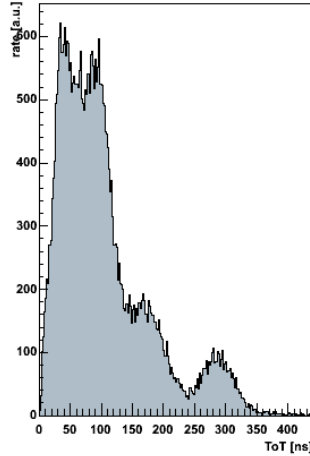
Peaks at: 202keV, 303keV

Coincidence LYSO Spectra

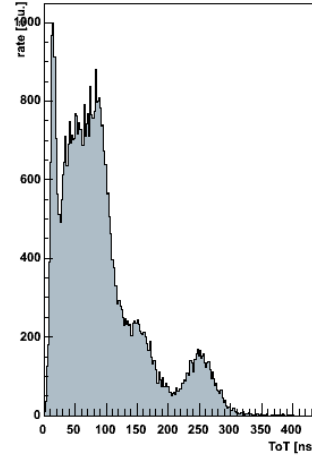
LYSOHisto A



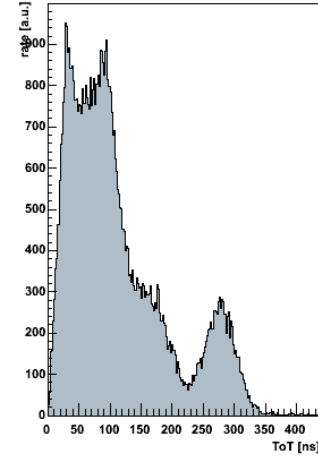
LYSOHisto B



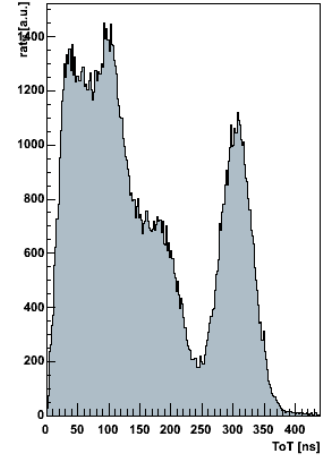
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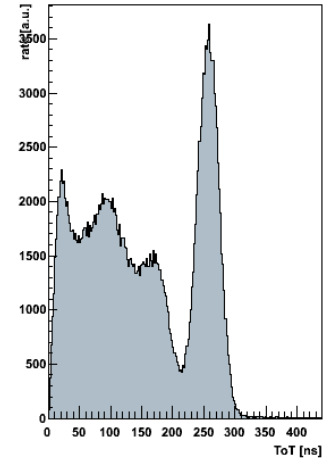
LYSOHisto D



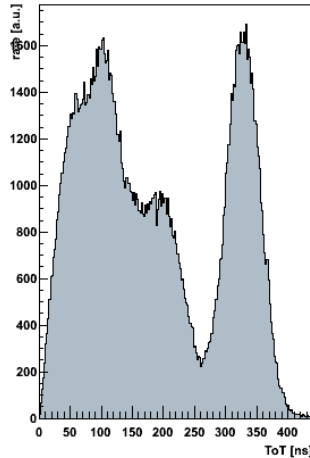
LYSOHisto E



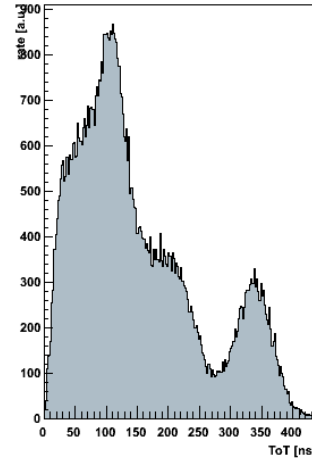
LYSOHisto F



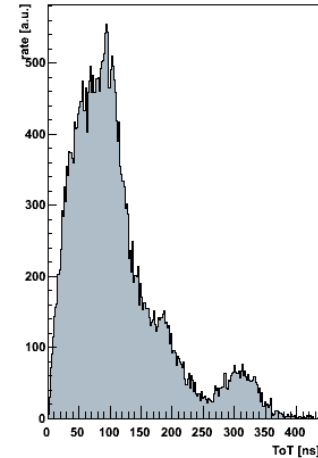
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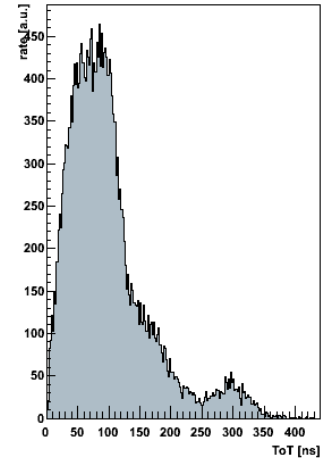
LYSOHisto H



LYSOHisto I



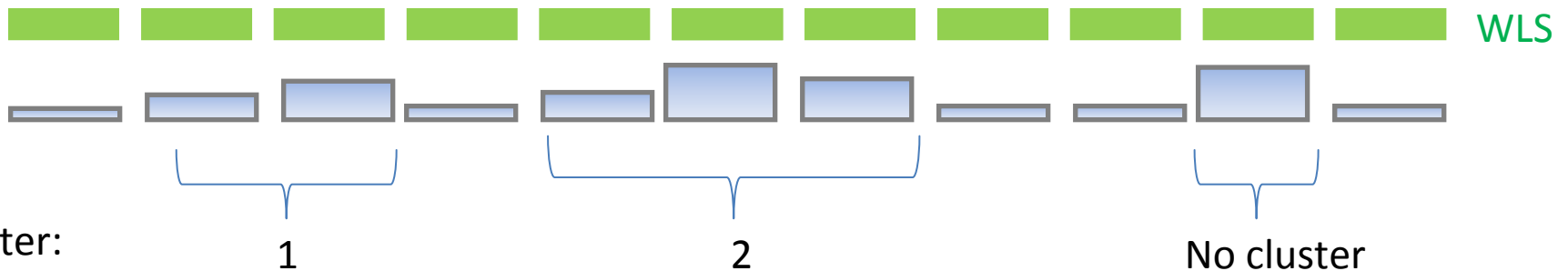
LYSOHisto J



Energy resolution (@511keV): **13% (FWHM)**, zero point calibration with intrinsic spectrum

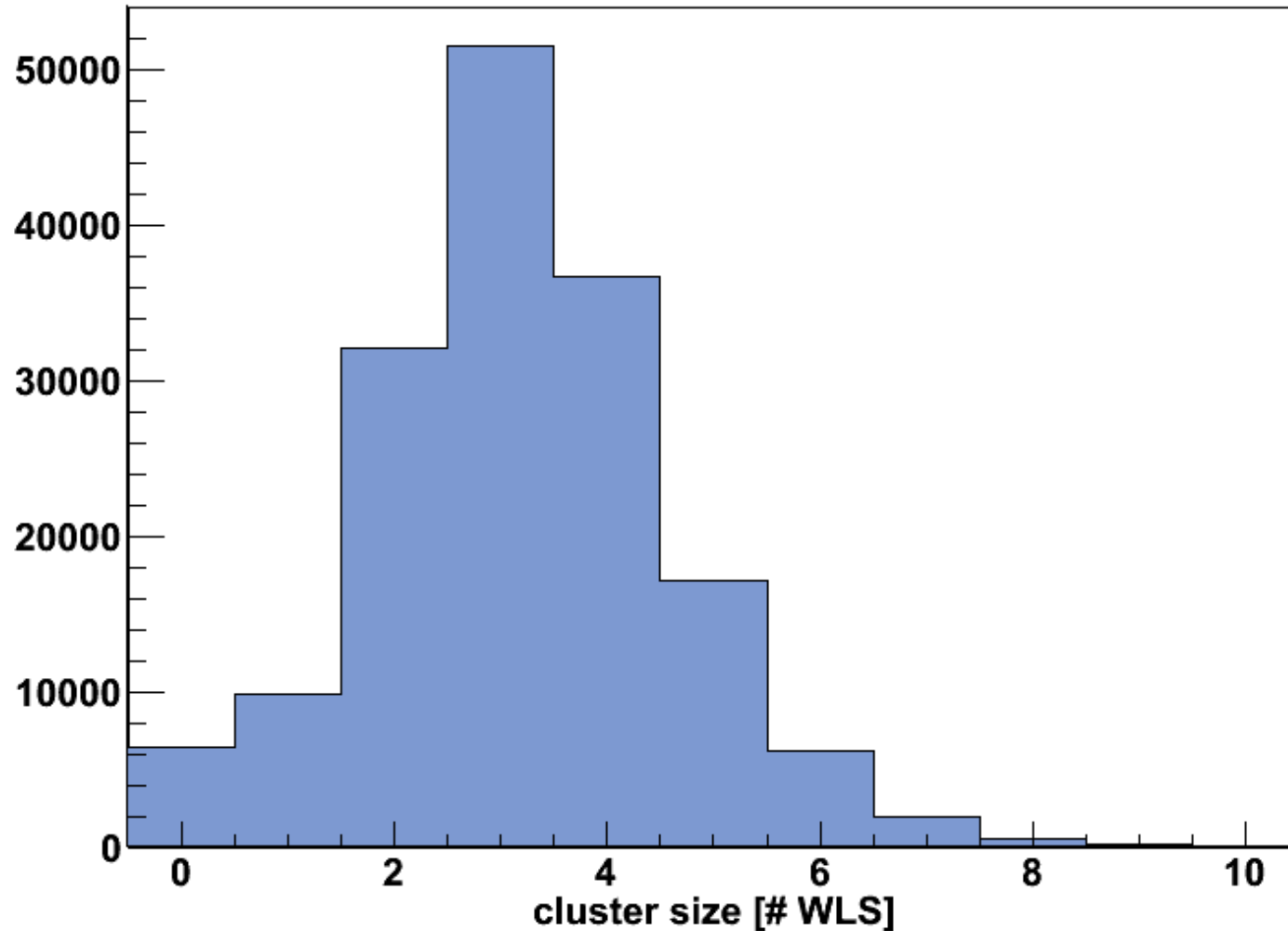
Analysis

- For each hit in a LYSO crystal search for WLS hits.
- A WLS cluster consists of at least 2 adjacent WLS
- Compute the center of gravity for the cluster with the largest integrated signal

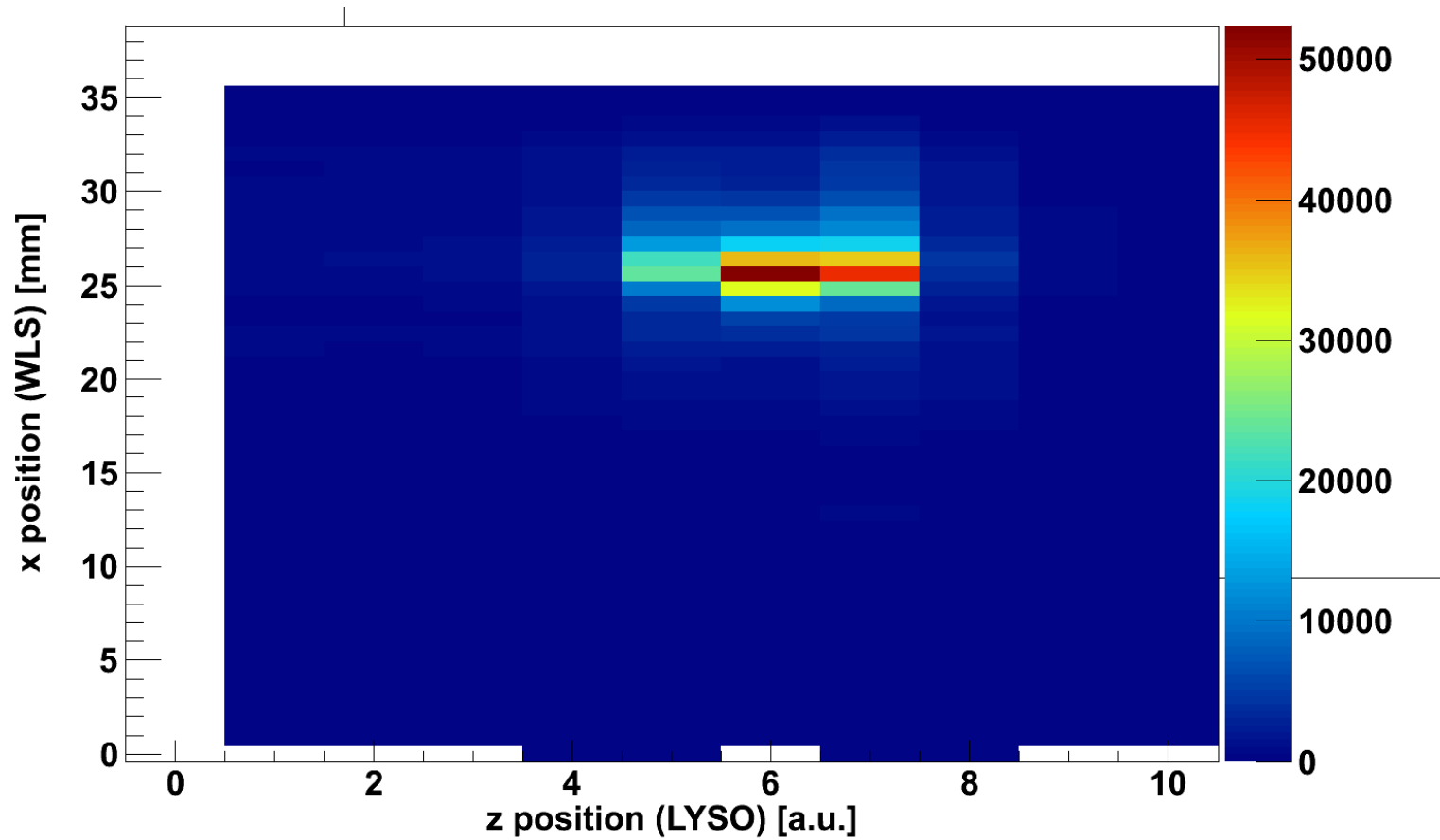


Cluster Size Distribution, $E > 400\text{keV}$

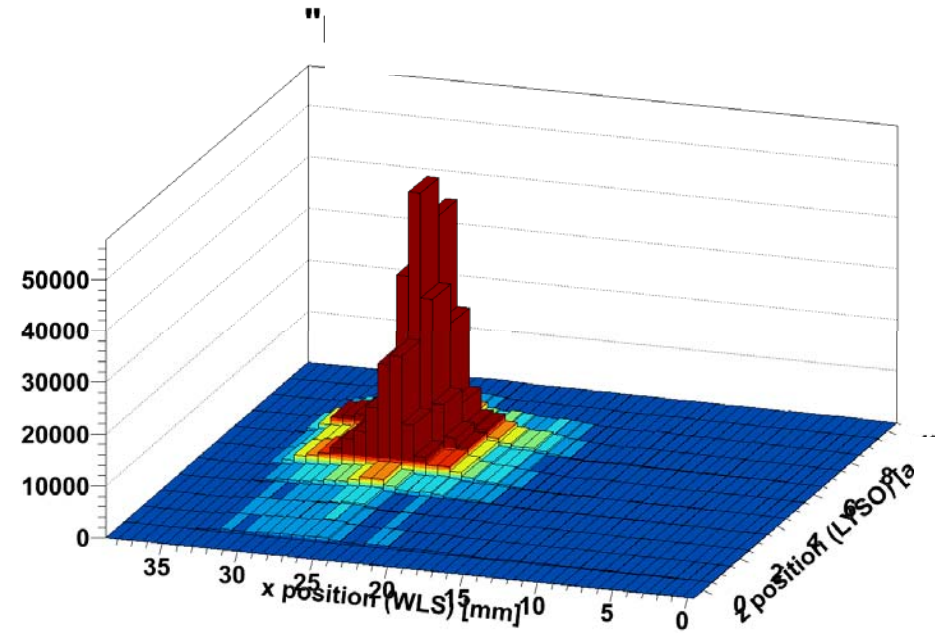
cluster size



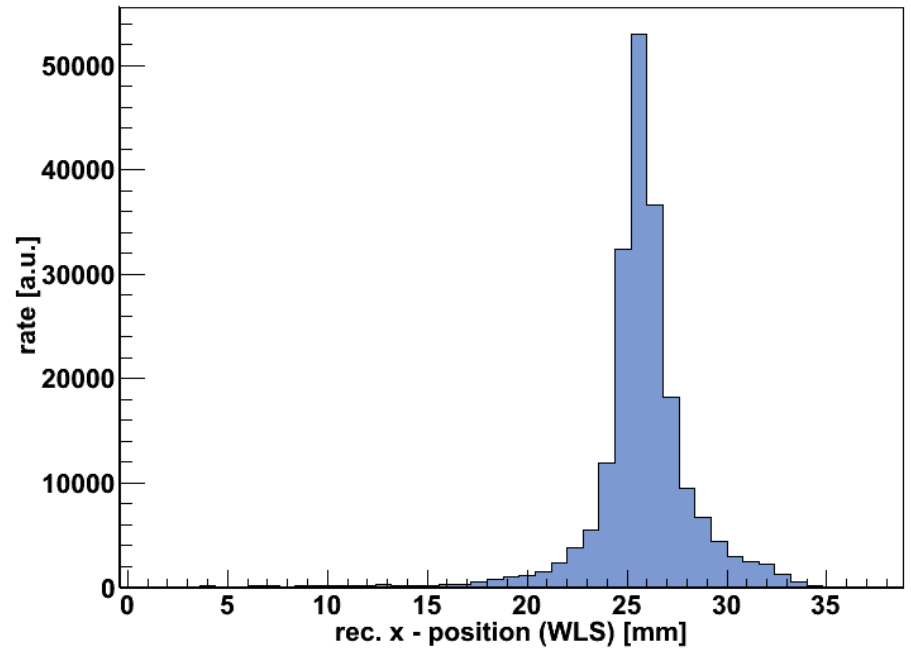
Results: Hit Map



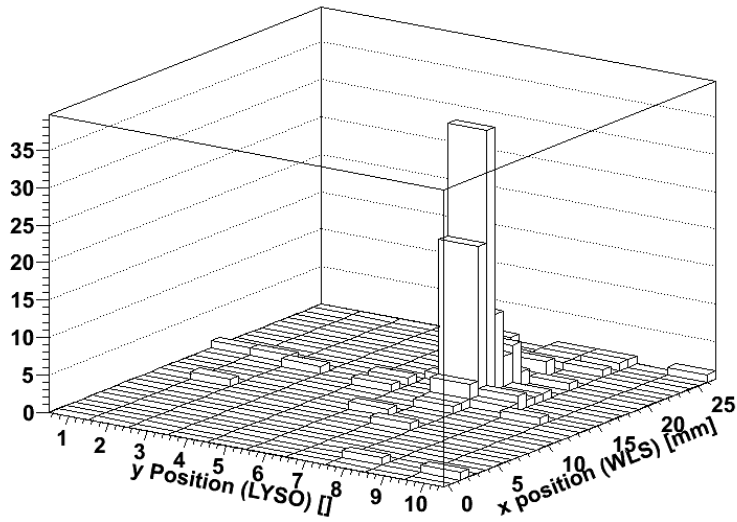
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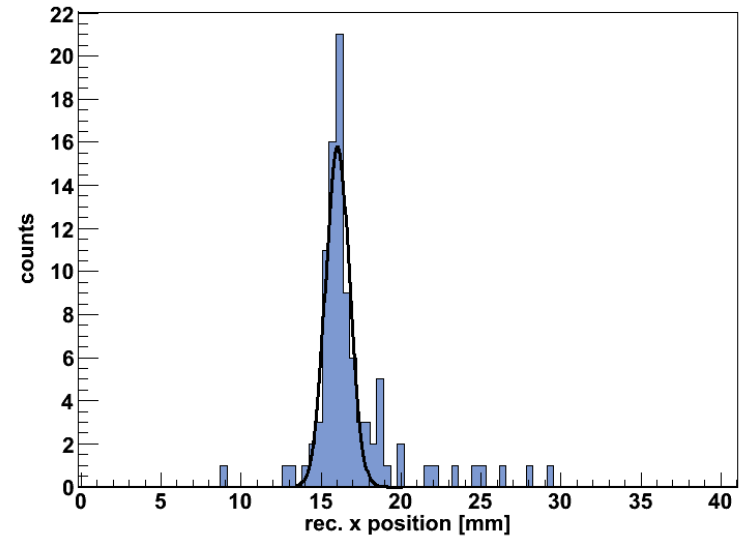
FWHM: 2.5 mm
~ source size



Source 2: Weak Na-22



FWHM: 1.8 mm
~ source size



Summary

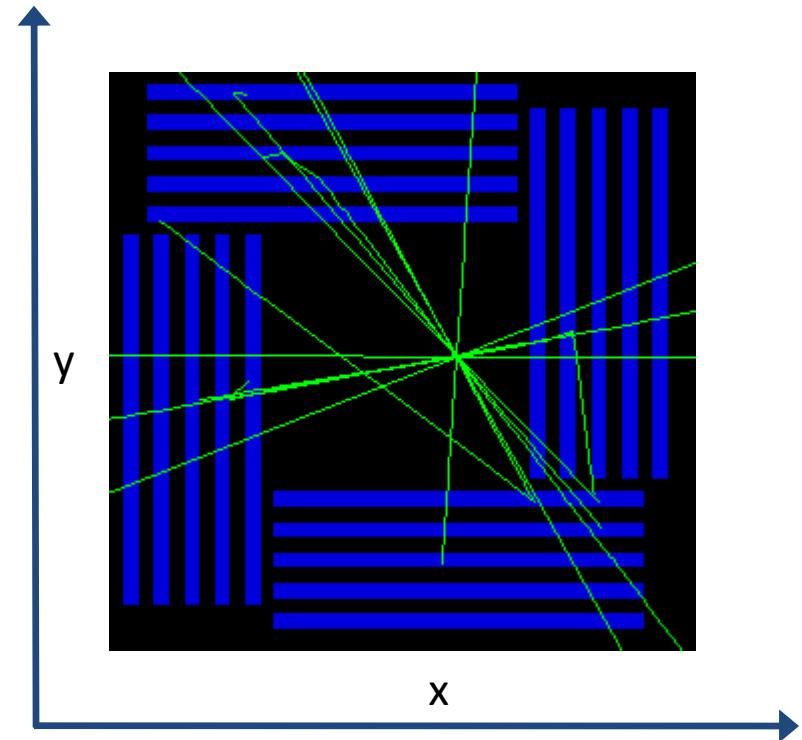
- A high resolution + high sensitivity scanner is being implemented
- Readout scheme (ToT + FPGA-QDC + trigger + readout software) works.
Bottleneck: Write speed to disk. Maximal rate/computer: **200kcps**
- One half-layer assembled.

Backup: Simulations

Simulations: Setup

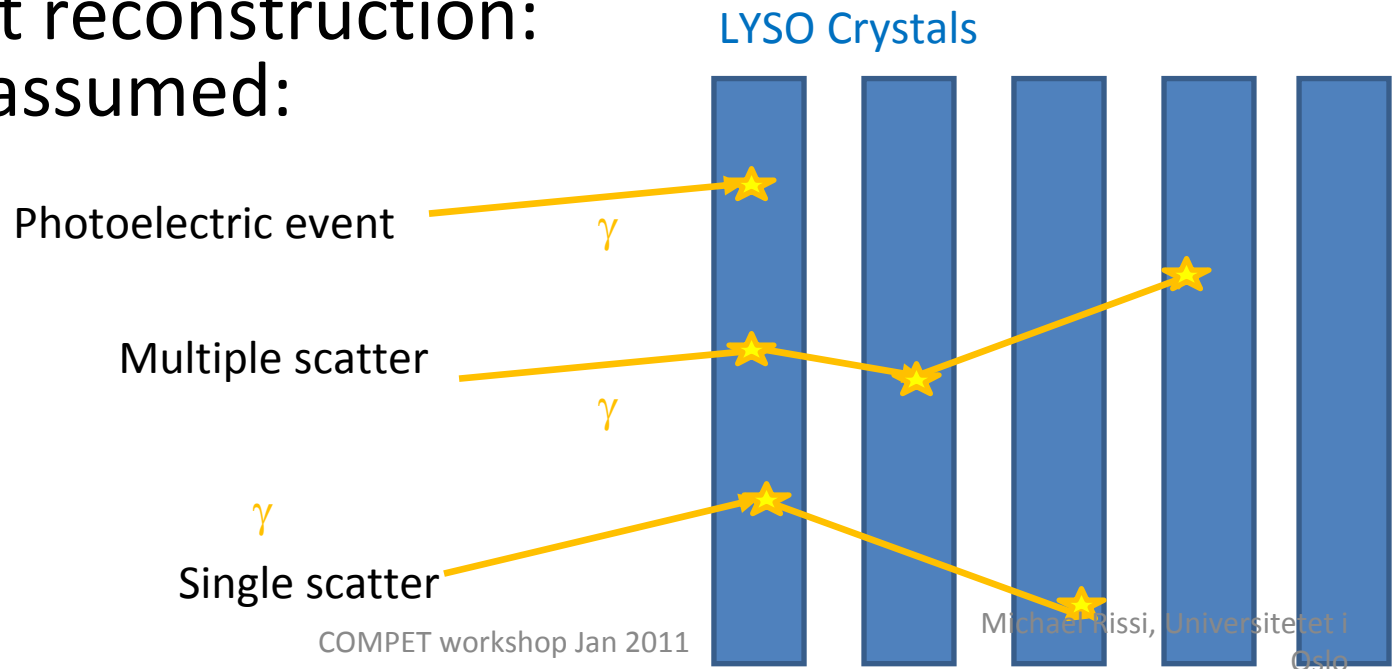
- Gate v5.0.0p01
- Readout based on hits
- List Mode output (ROOT)
- trigger condition:
 - **Total** deposited energy in 2 modules > 450 keV

Simulation of back-to-back gamma rays (511 keV) and ^{18}F in water.

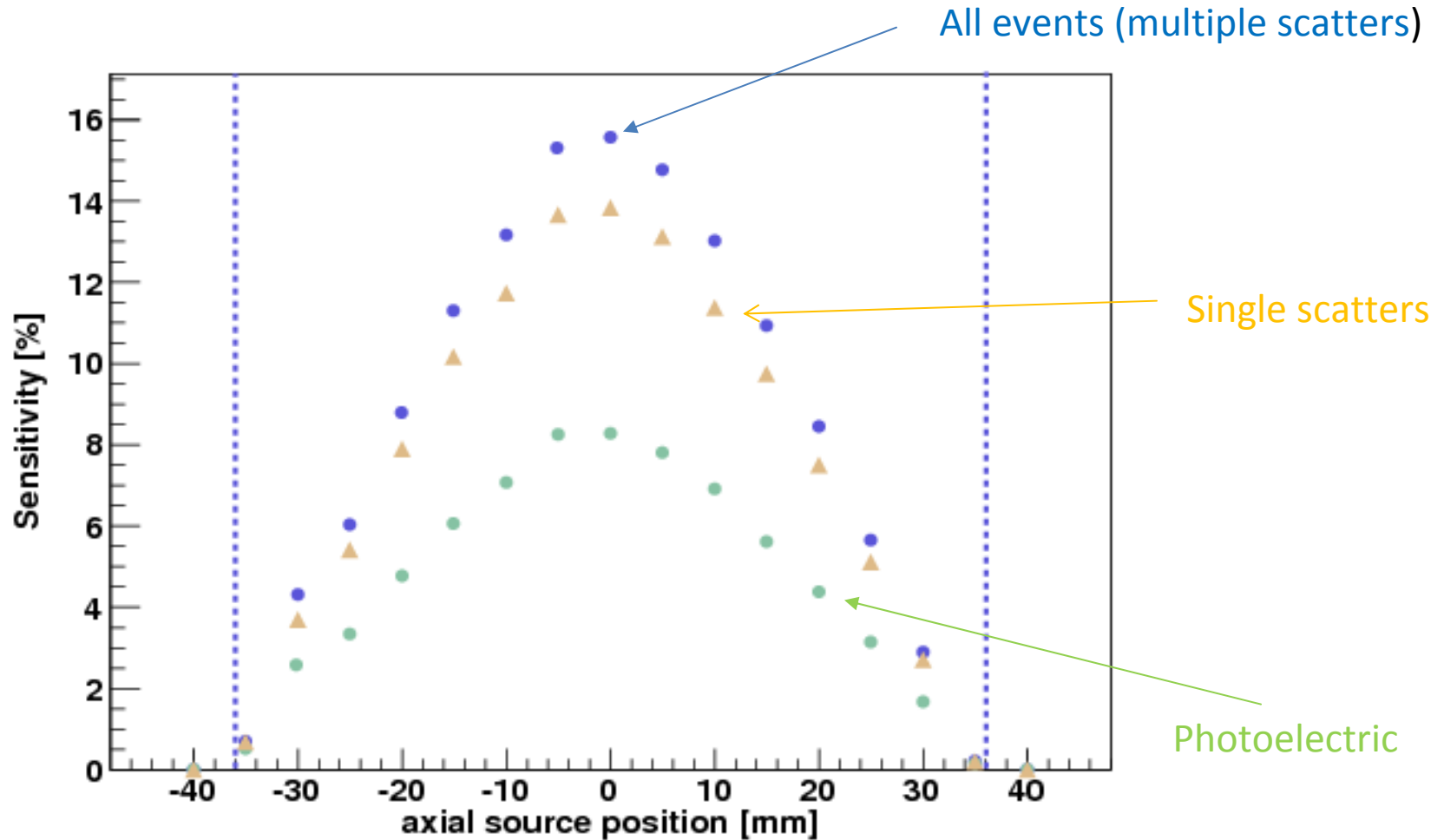


Detector Sensitivity Simulation

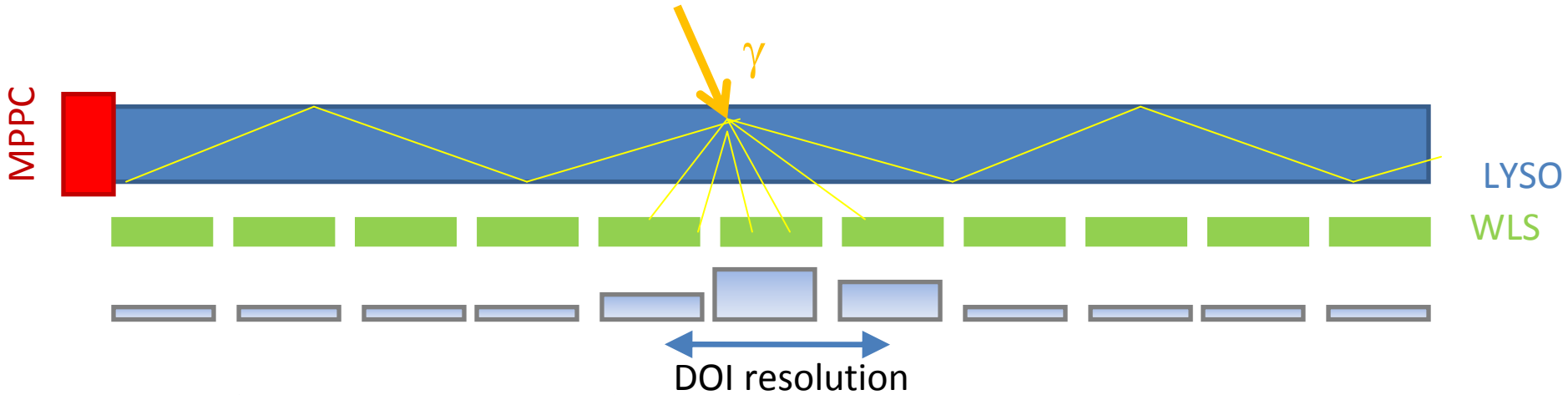
- Source for sensitivity simulations: back to back gammas (511 keV)
- 5 layers, 4 modules
- Diameter: 50 mm, Length: 72 mm
- 3D event reconstruction:
3 cases assumed:



Detector Sensitivity



Central Point Source Resolution



$\sigma(\text{DOI})$ [mm]	FWHM_x [mm]	FWHM_y [mm]
0.3	0.75	0.76
0.4	0.82	0.80
0.5	0.86	0.86
0.6	0.93	0.94
0.7	0.96	0.99
0.8	1.18	1.22

