



RISING

# Remarks on the background $\gamma$ radiation in the RISING fast beam campaign\*

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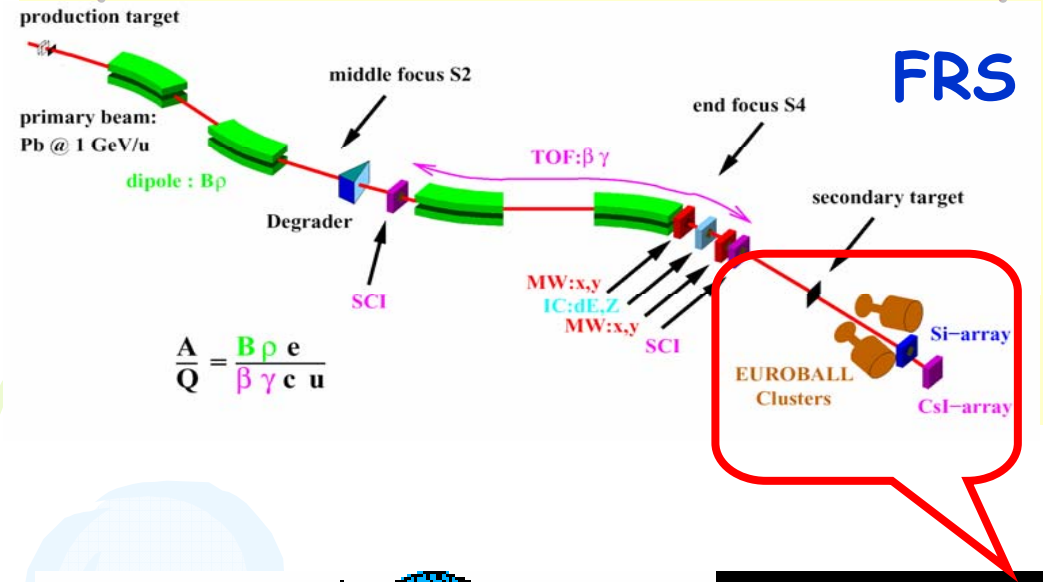
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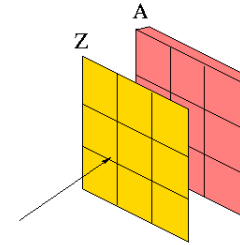
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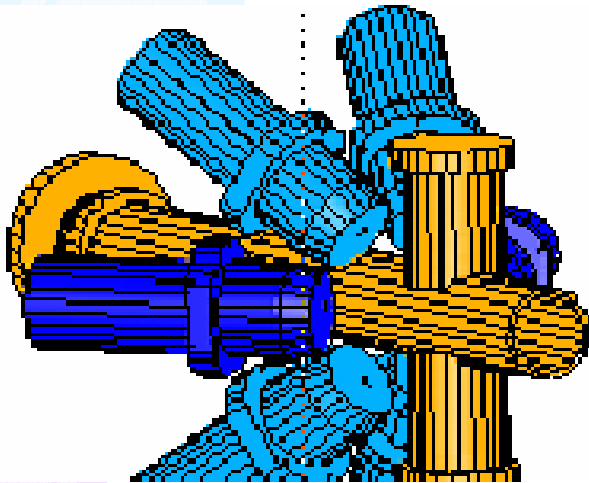
# Layout of the fast-RISING experiment



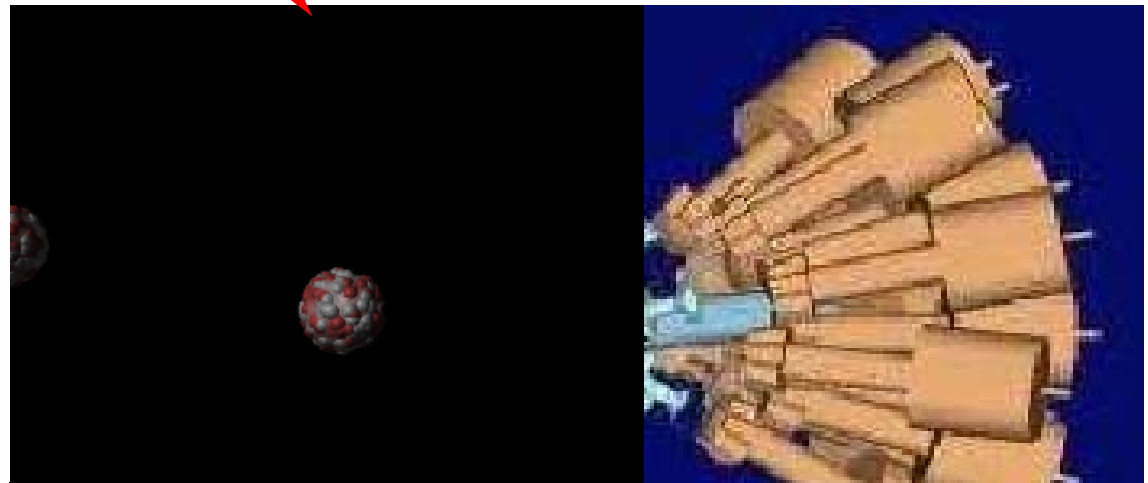
## CATE: Position Sensitive Calorimeter Telescope



## EUROBALL 15 cluster Ge-detectors

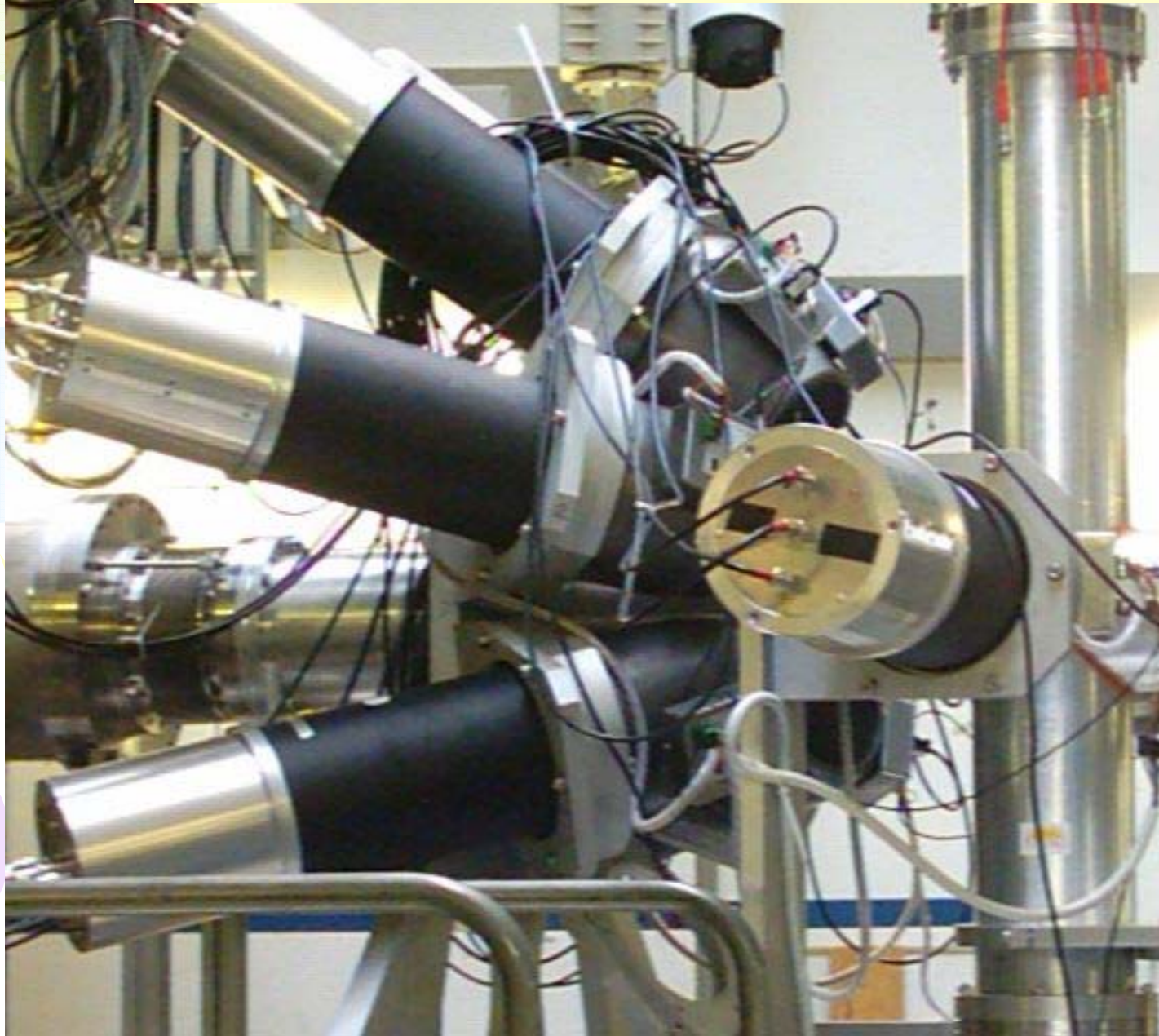


## HECTOR 8 BaF<sub>2</sub> scintillators

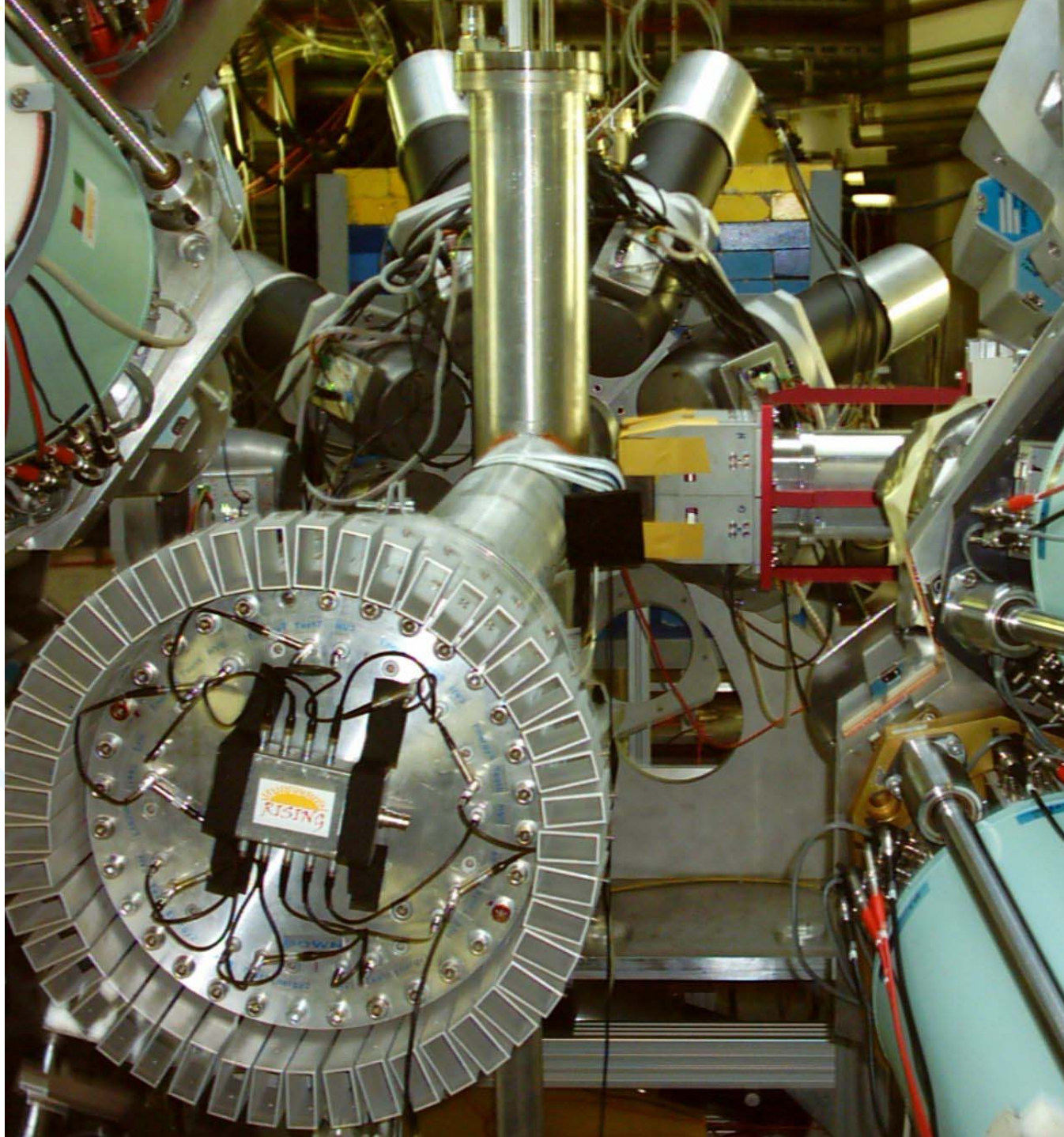
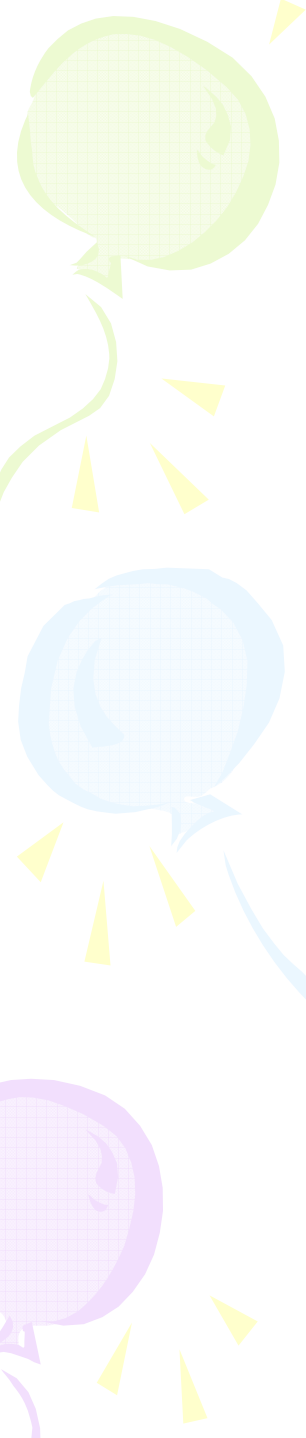


Relativistic Coulomb  
E2 or E1 excitation  
of projectile, break-up

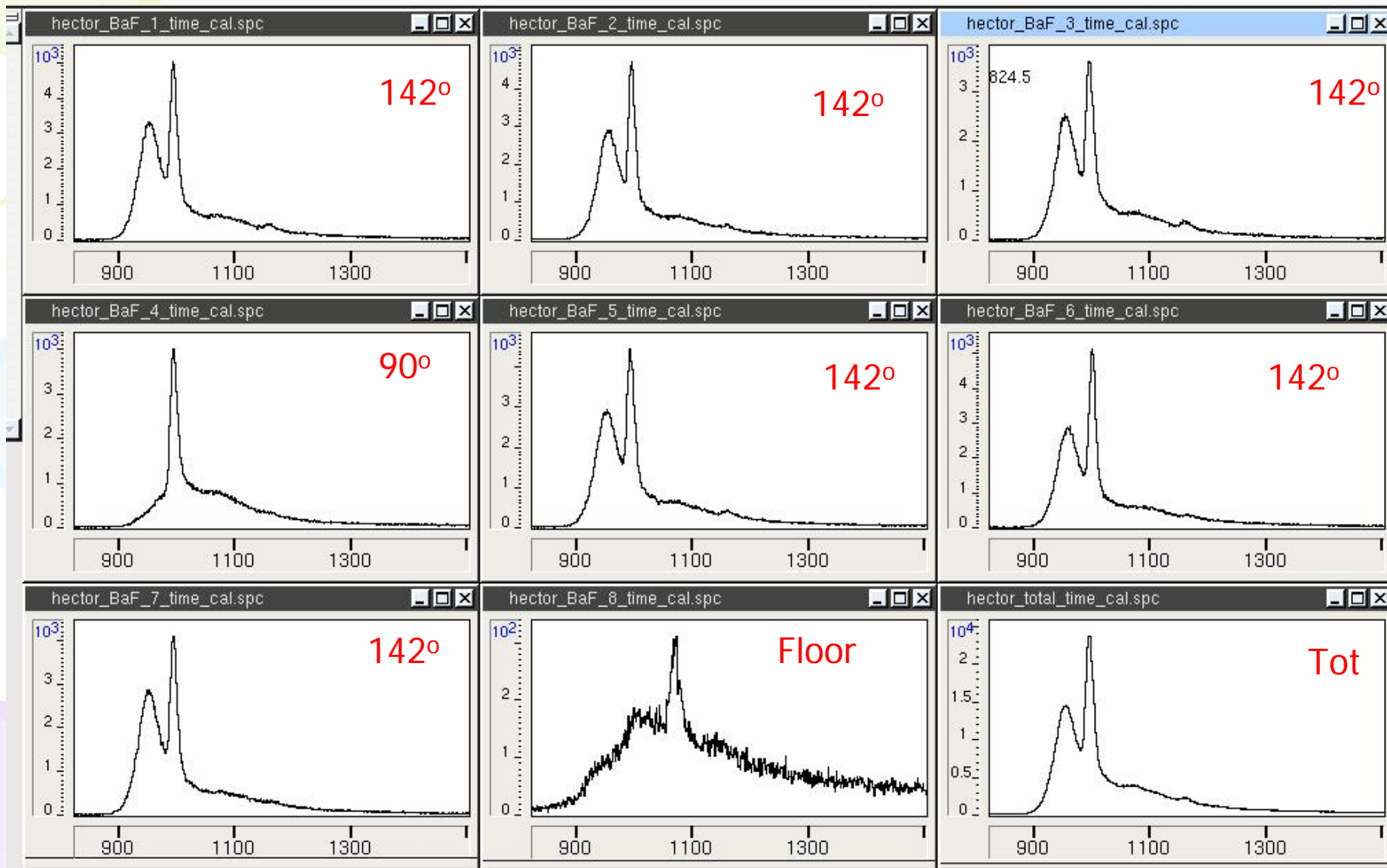
# HECTOR SPECTRA



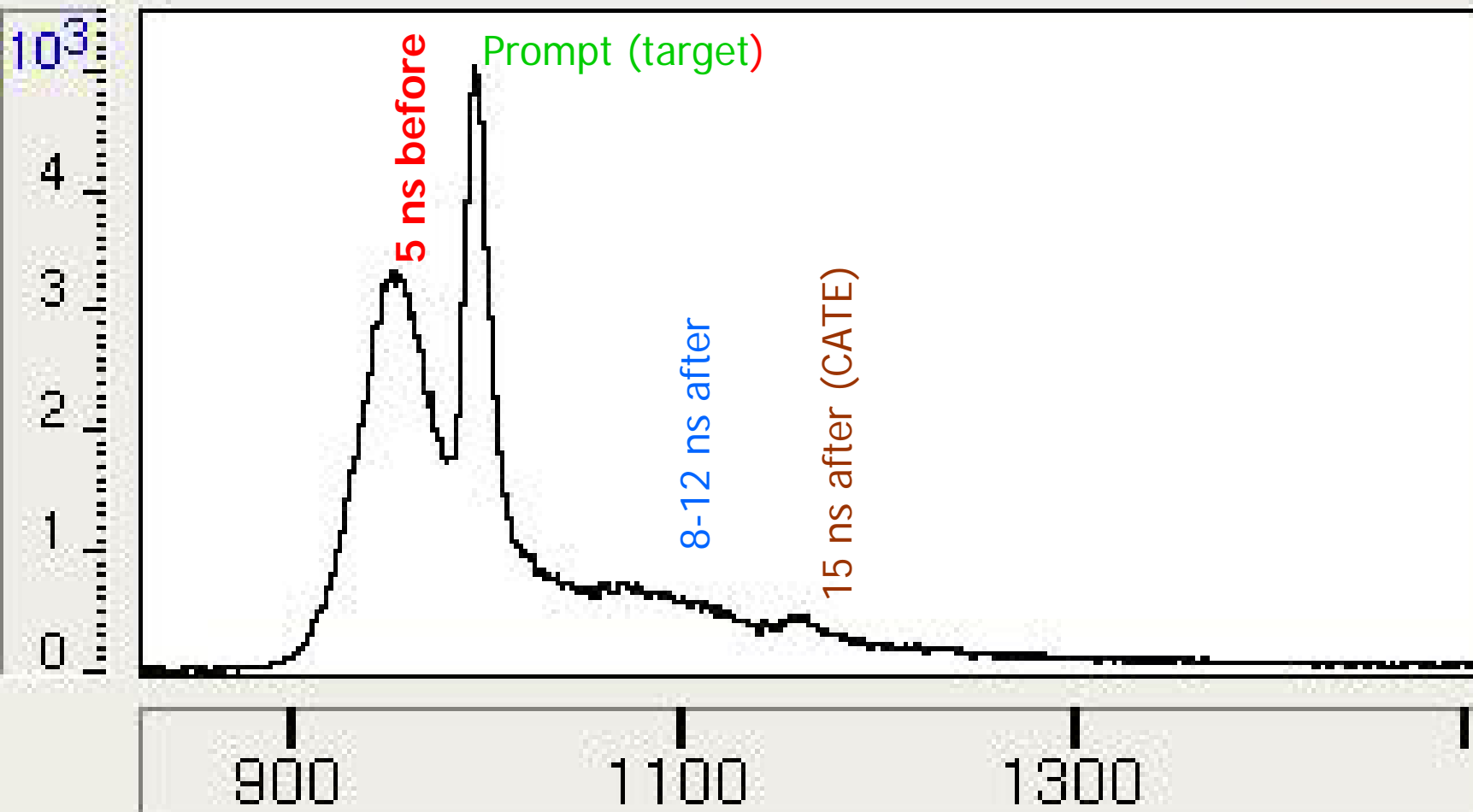




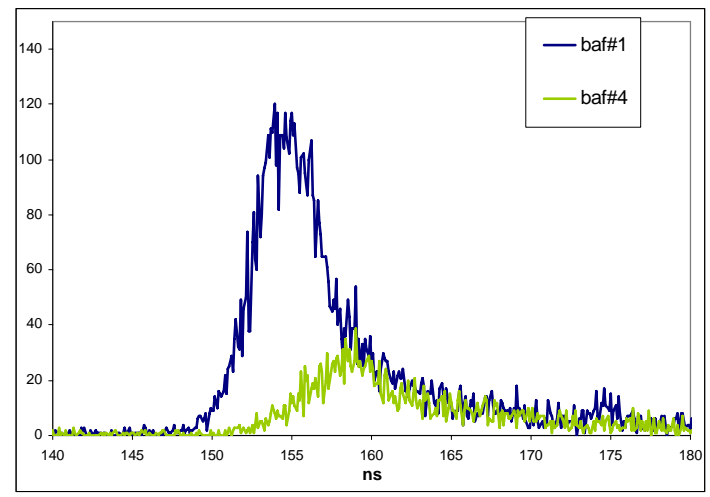
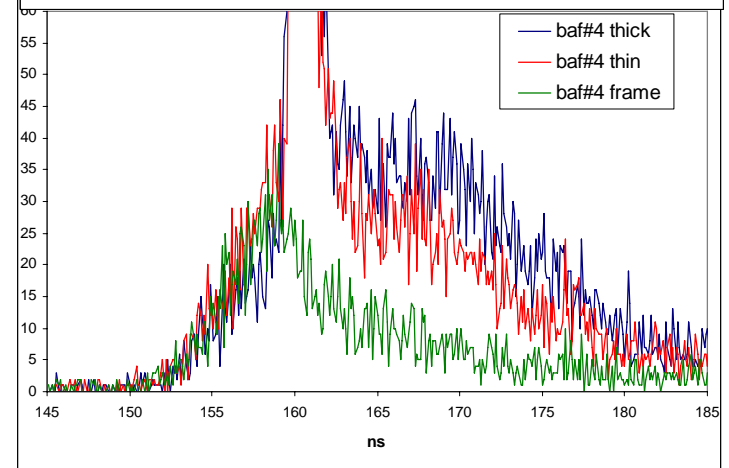
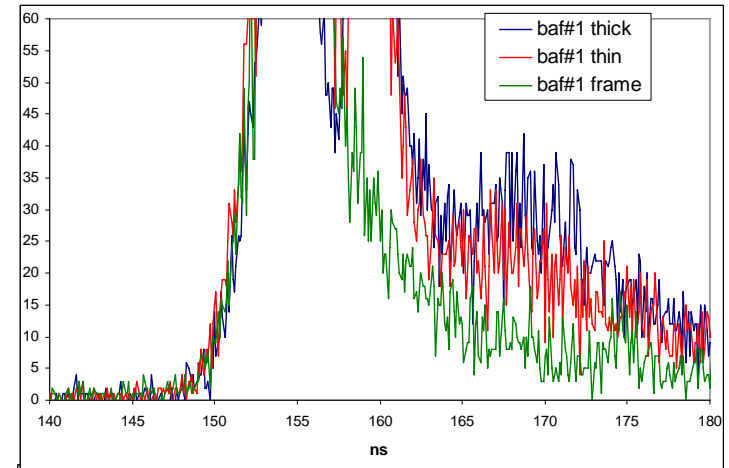
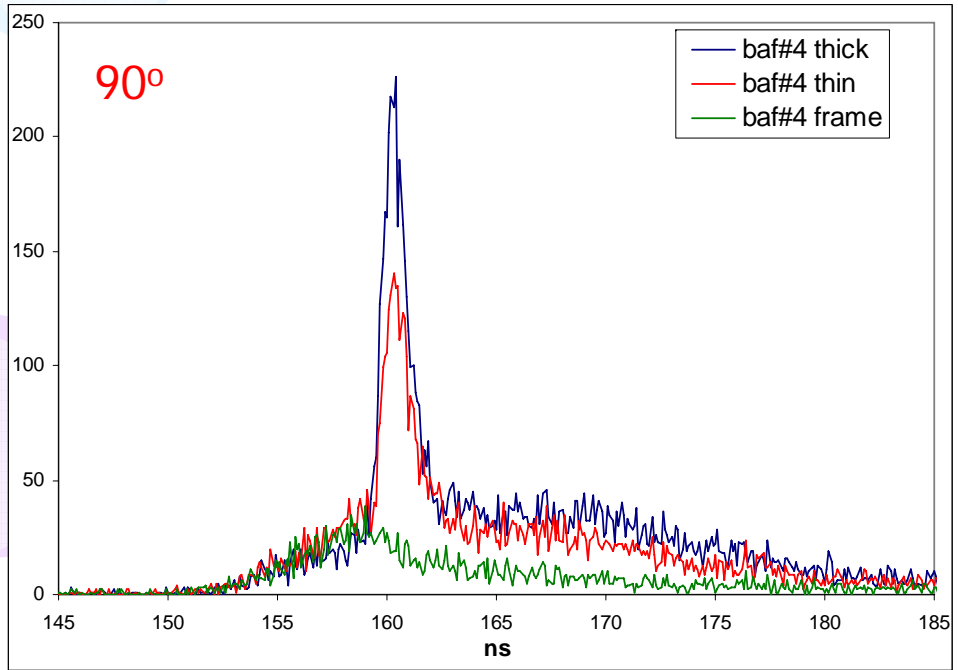
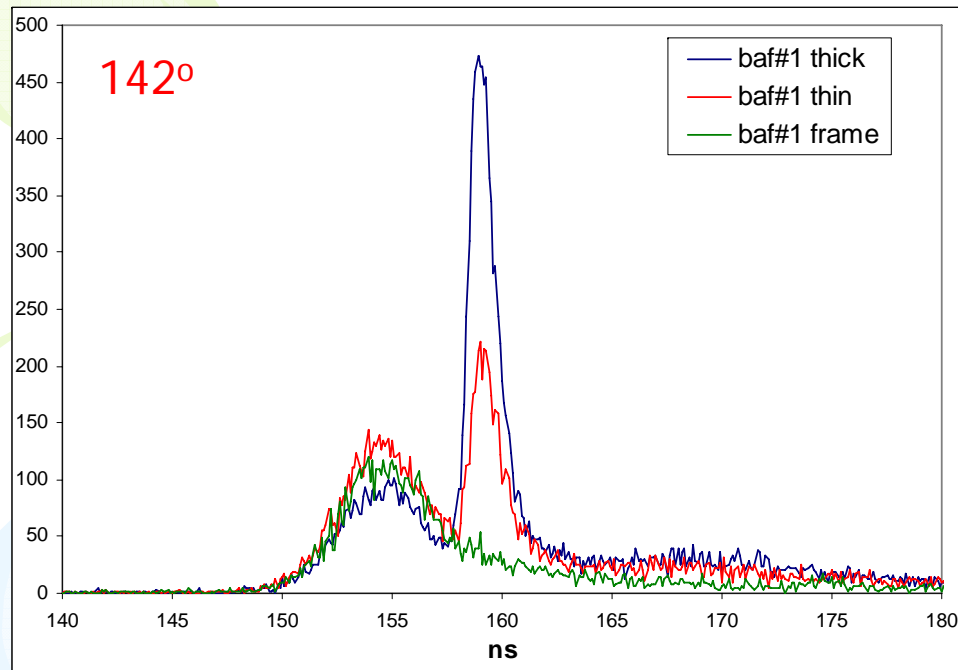
# Hector time spectra (100 MeV/u $^{84}\text{Kr}$ beam)



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AM1 100 MeV/u  $^{84}\text{Kr}$  beam

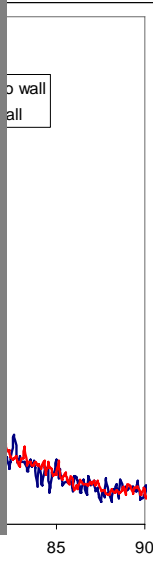
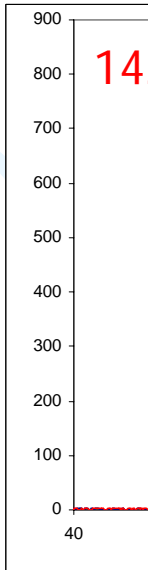
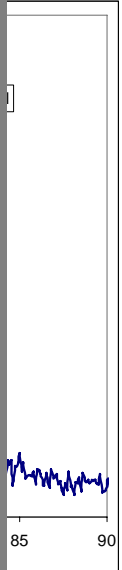
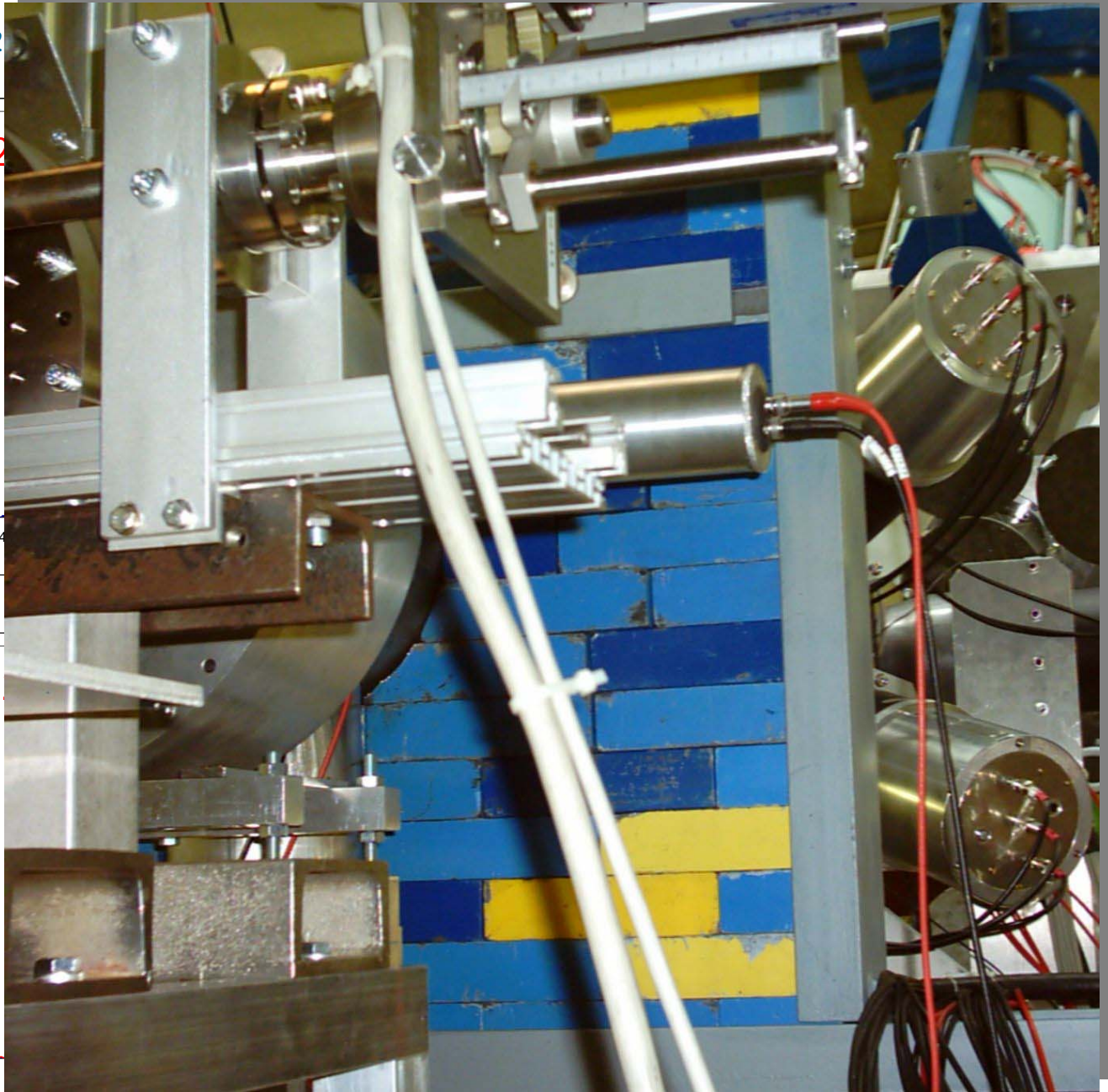
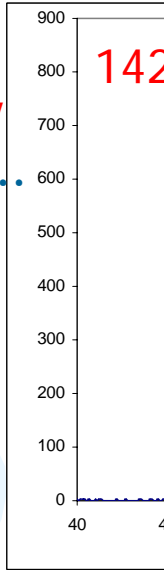






Thick ( $0.2 \text{ g/cm}^2$ )

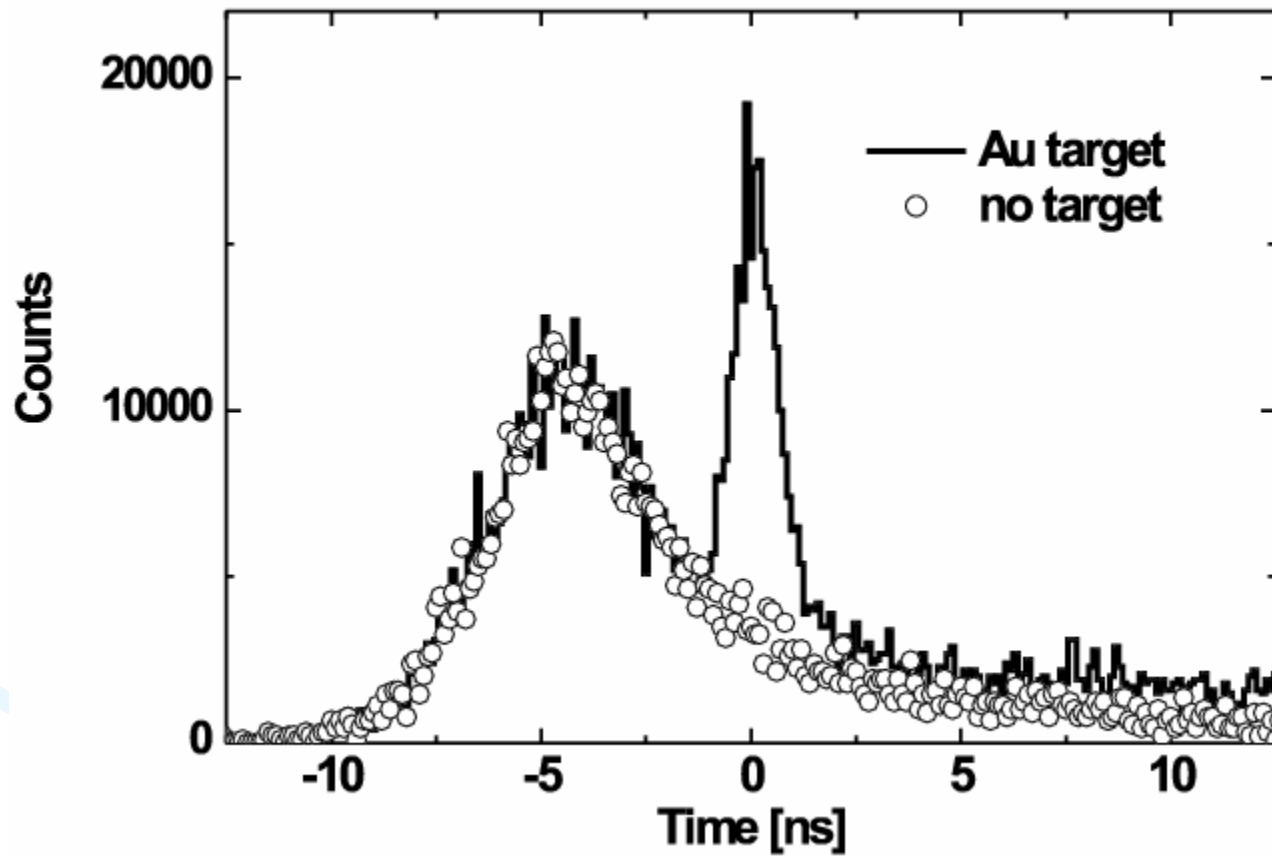
At the very beginning...

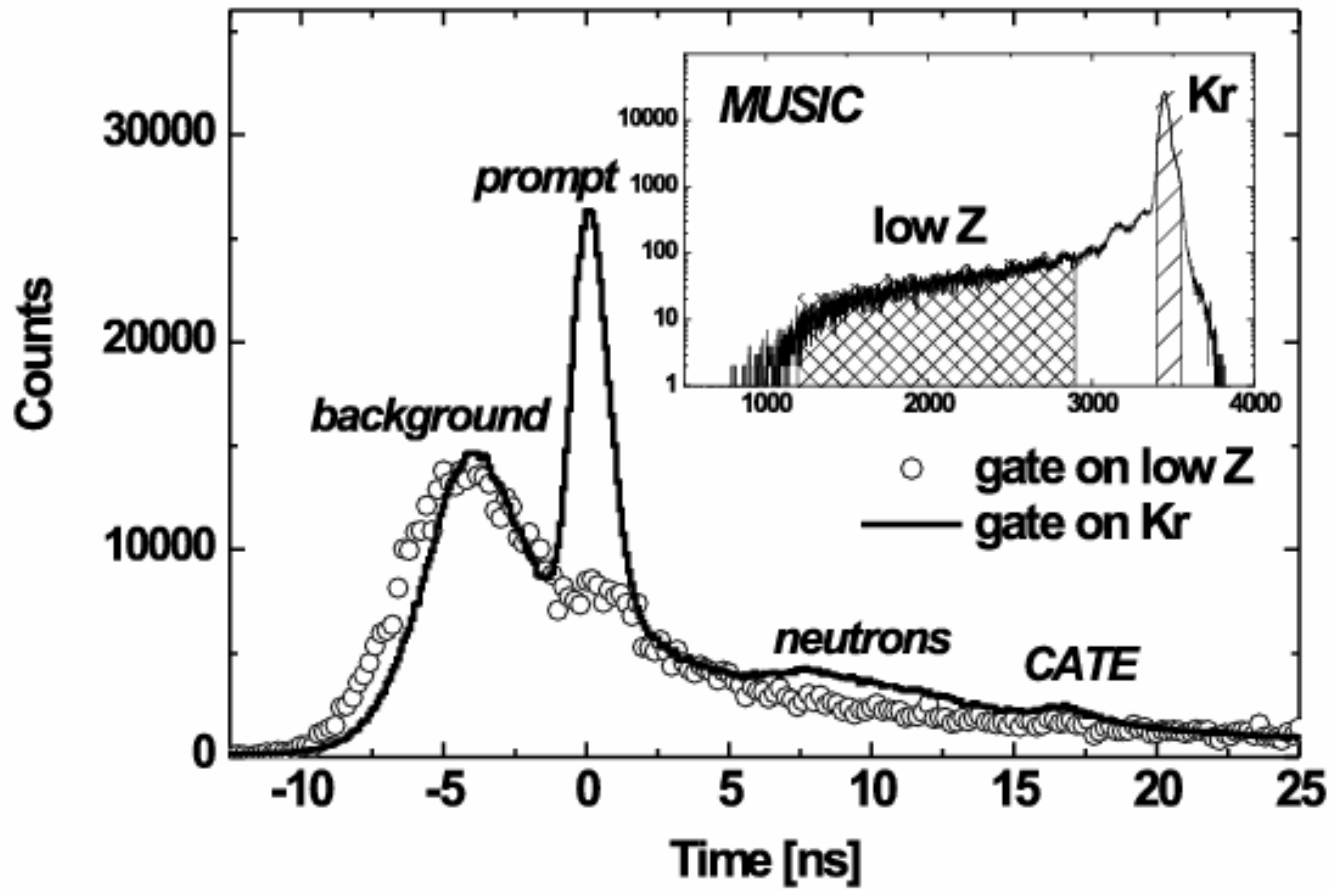


Simple wall

ns

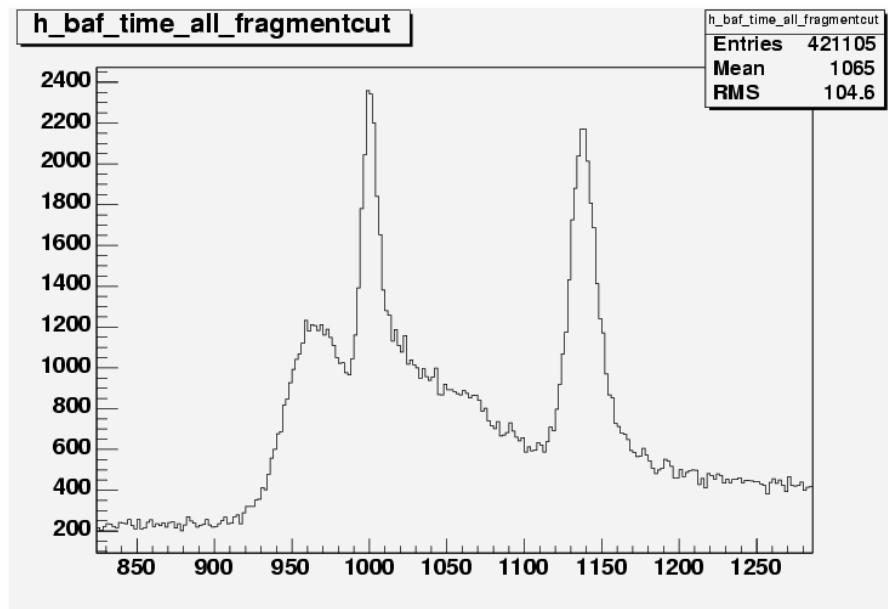
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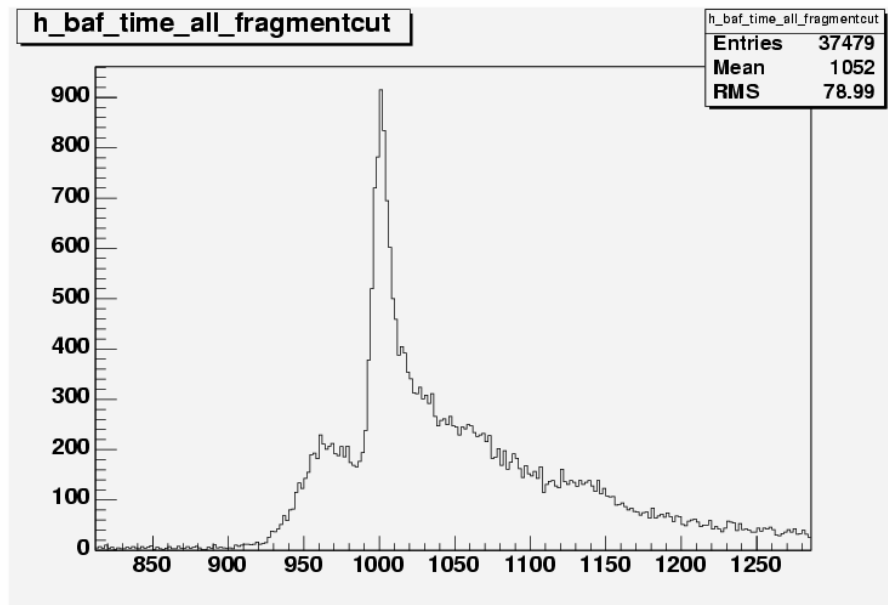


# 37Ca beam @196MeV/u;

A/Q -  $^{37}\text{Ca}$ , CATE - Ca



A/Q -  $^{37}\text{Ca}$ , CATE -K (mainly  $^{36}\text{K}$ )





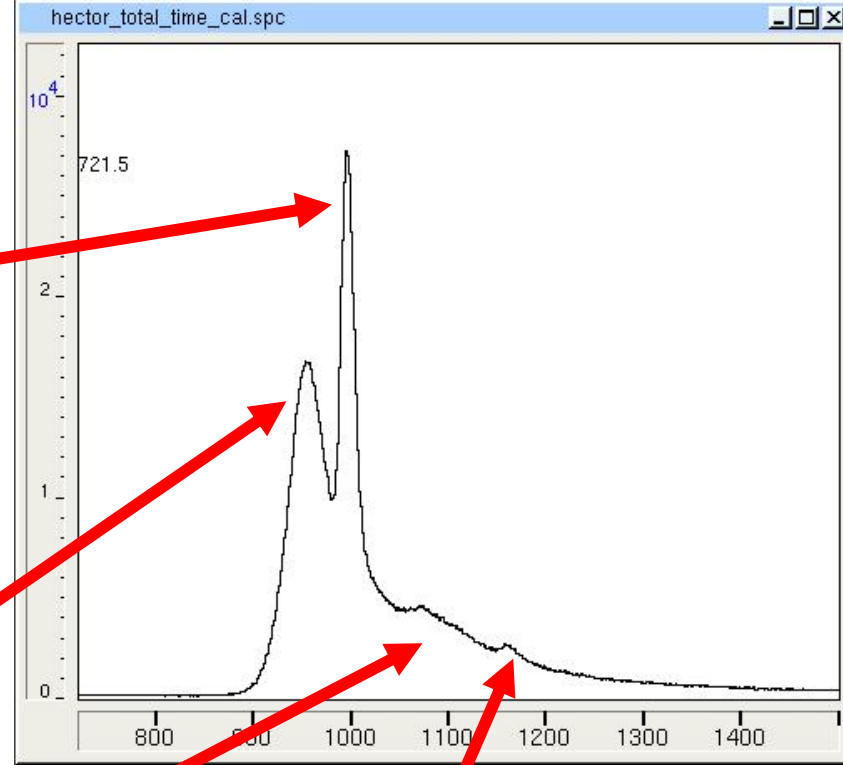
# Conclusions

Prompt radiation from target, increasing with the target thickness

Early gamma radiation, coming from the beam line, caused by the light particles, ranging to very high energies (0-20 MeV)

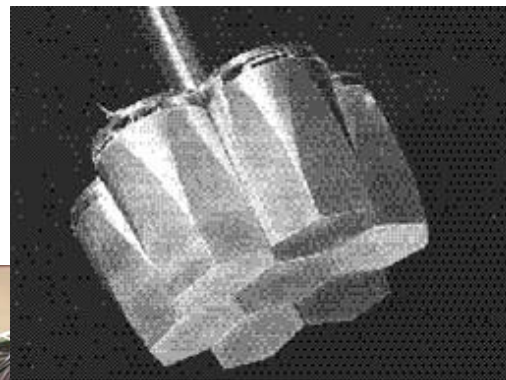
Late gamma radiation (neutrons?)

Gamma radiation from the interaction of heavy ions in CATE



# Ge SPECTRA

15\*7 crystals



Ge Cluster detectors

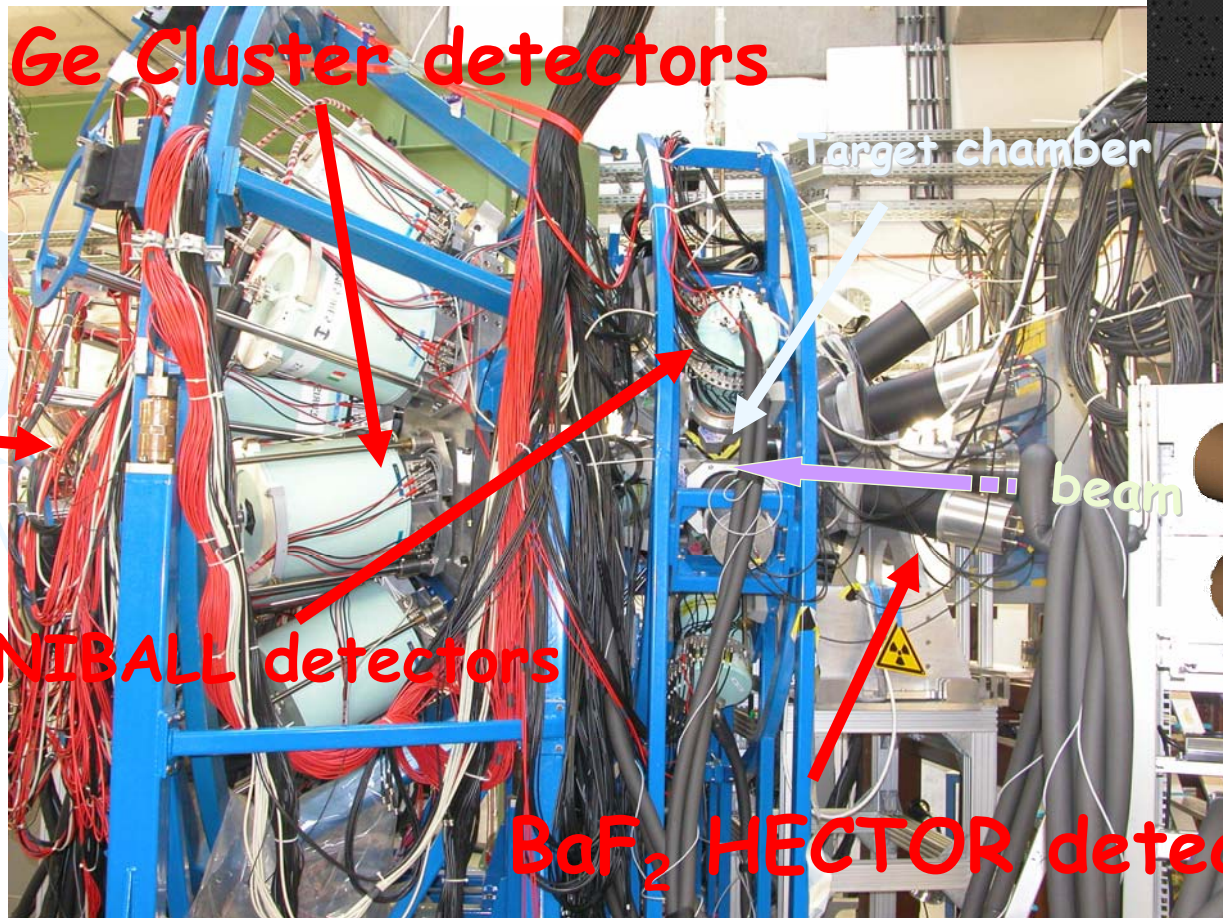
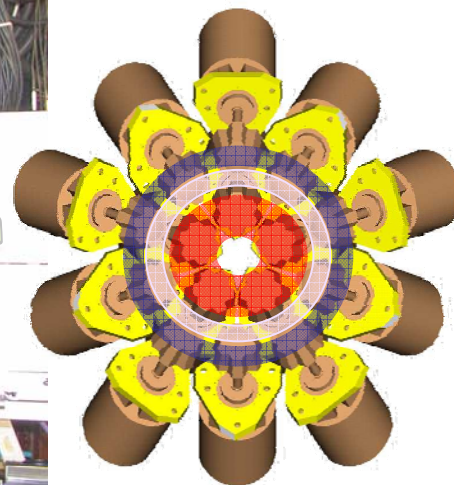
Target chamber

CATE

beam

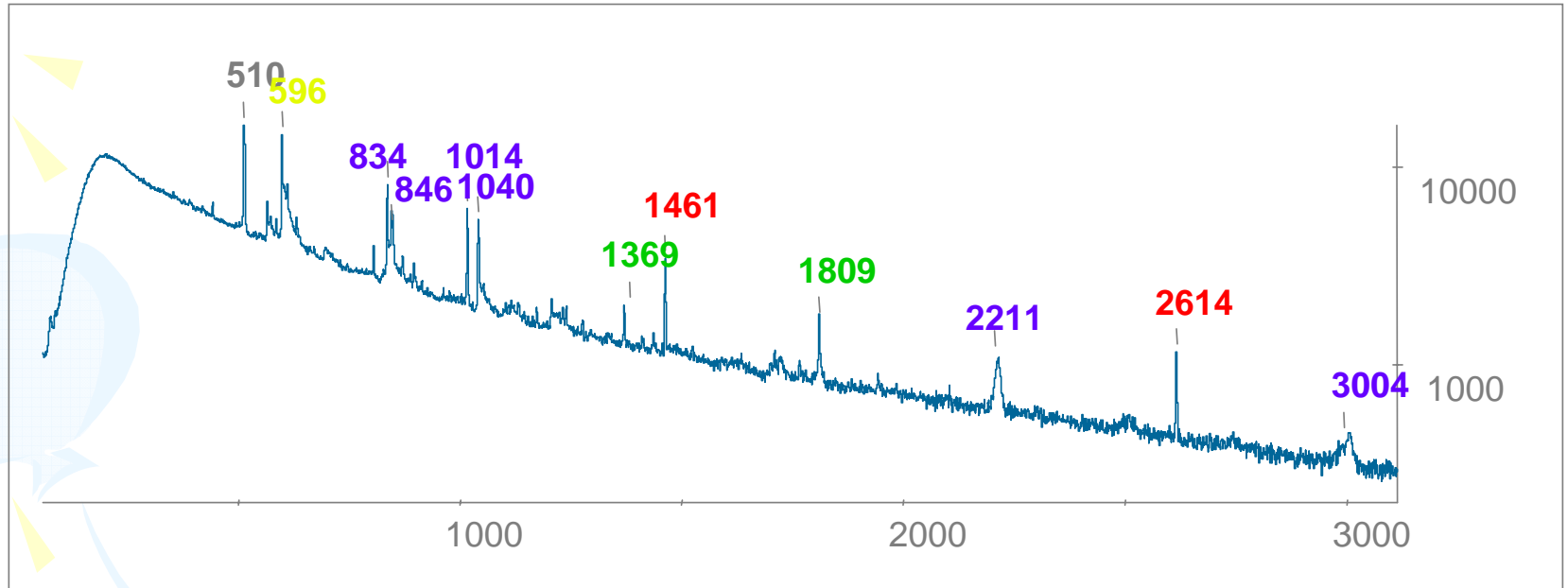
MINIBALL detectors

BaF<sub>2</sub> HECTOR detectors



A single gamma spectrum, no condition;

$^{86}\text{Kr}$  primary beam,  $100\text{MeV}/u$   $^{54}\text{Cr}$  secondary beam on Au target



- Natural radioactivity:  $^{40}\text{K}$ ,  $^{208}\text{Pb}$ ,...
- $^{27}\text{Al}$ ,  $^{56}\text{Fe}(n,n')$  with fast neutrons, Doppler broadened
- $^{27}\text{Al}(p,2p)^{26}\text{Mg}$ ; with  $E_p \sim E_{\text{beam}}/u$
- Ge n capture

$^{55}\text{Ni}$ @165 MeV/u  
Be-target; gates on CATE

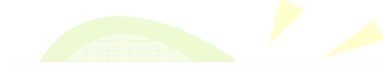
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Fe<sub>inner</sub> ···  
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Ni<sub>inner</sub> - ·-  
Ni<sub>outer</sub> - ·-·  
Ti<sub>inner</sub> - - -  
Ti<sub>outer</sub> - ·-·

$^{129}\text{Sn}$ @165 MeV/u  
Be-target; gates on CATE

Z=50<sub>inner,time</sub> —  
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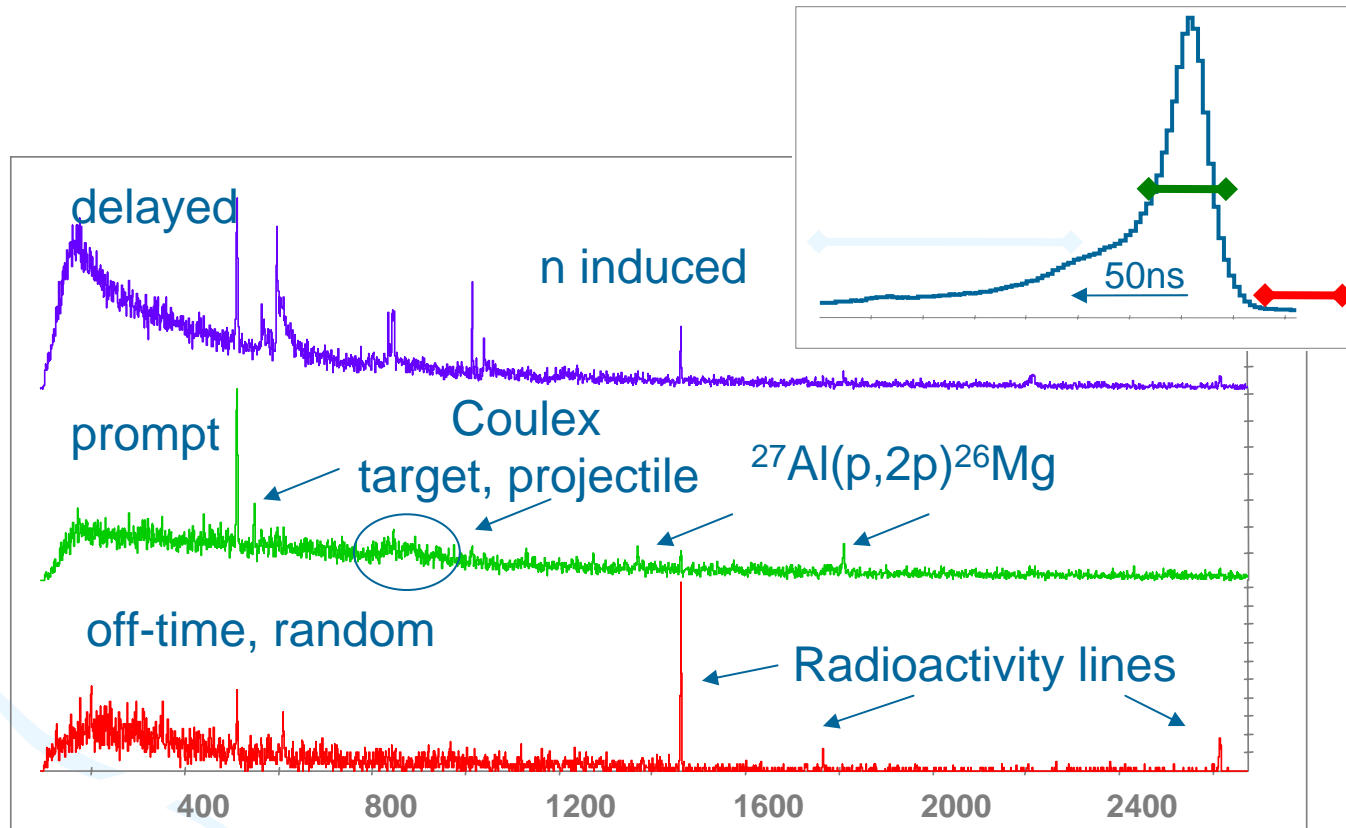
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Energy





Time structure of an in-beam Ge spectrum  
selection:  $^{132}\text{Xe}$  primary beam on Au target & Xe outgoing particle



**Conclusion : A lot of high energy particles (protons) is emitted in the fragmentation reactions**

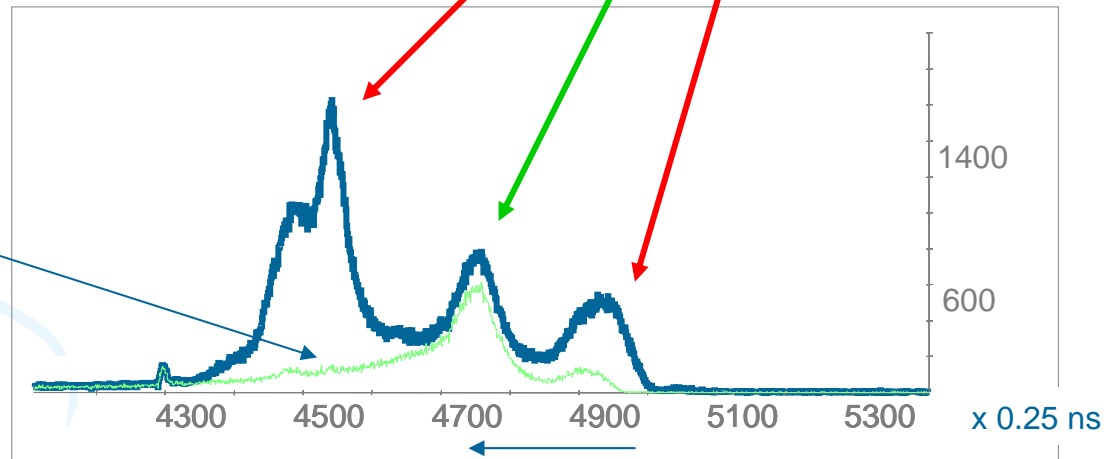
## In-beam (*spill-on*) pre-amplified Ge signal



Huge amplitude ( $\gg 20$ MeV),  
overshooting signals  
due to charged particles directly  
hitting the Ge crystal (?)

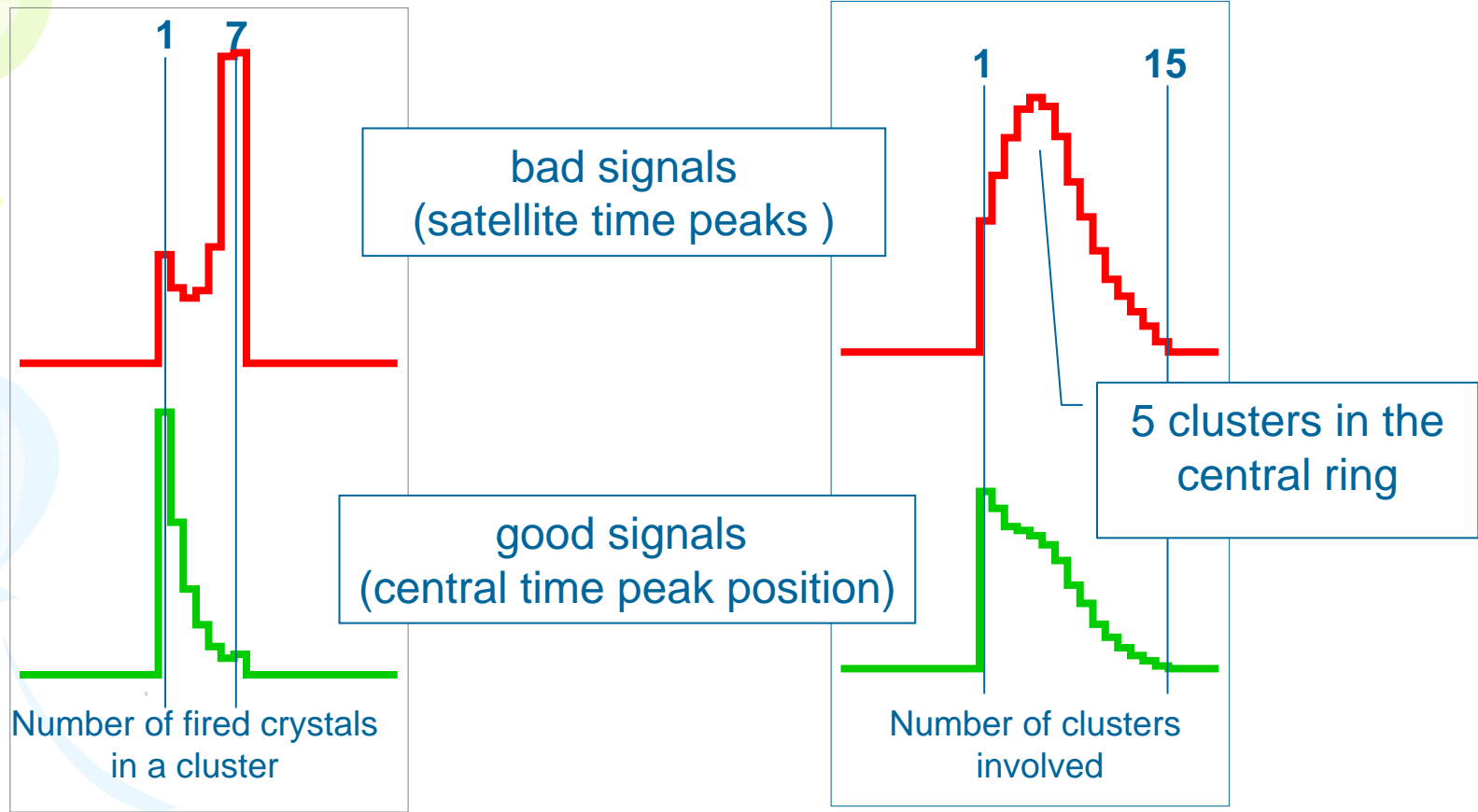
"normal" gammas

If only low  
amplitudes  
accepted  
(DGF filtering)



In-beam Ge time distribution @ 1<sup>st</sup> EB ring

# Ge multiplicity distribution



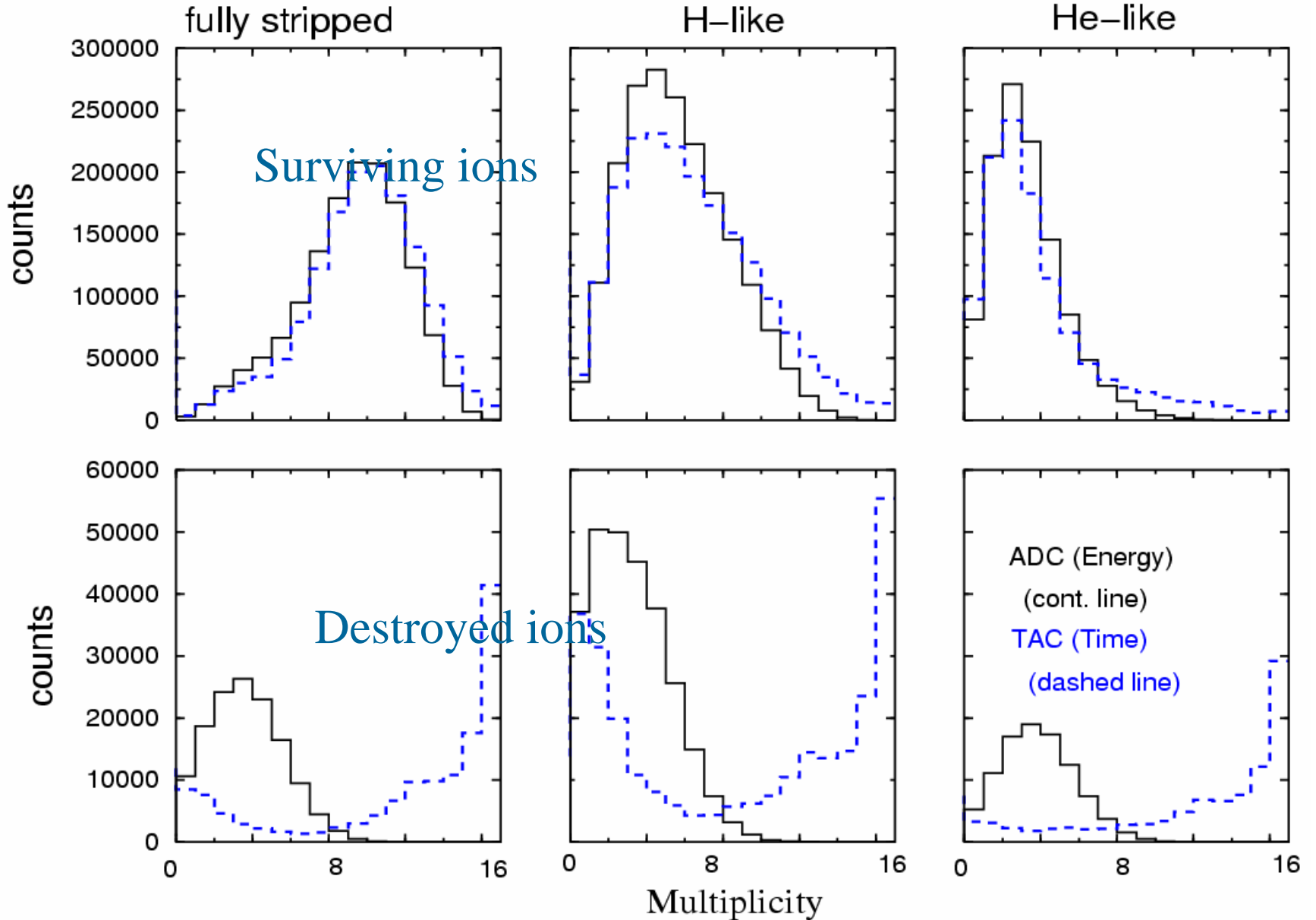
**Conclusion:** Radiation/particles of high energy irradiate several Ge detectors (mainly central) in the same time

Around:

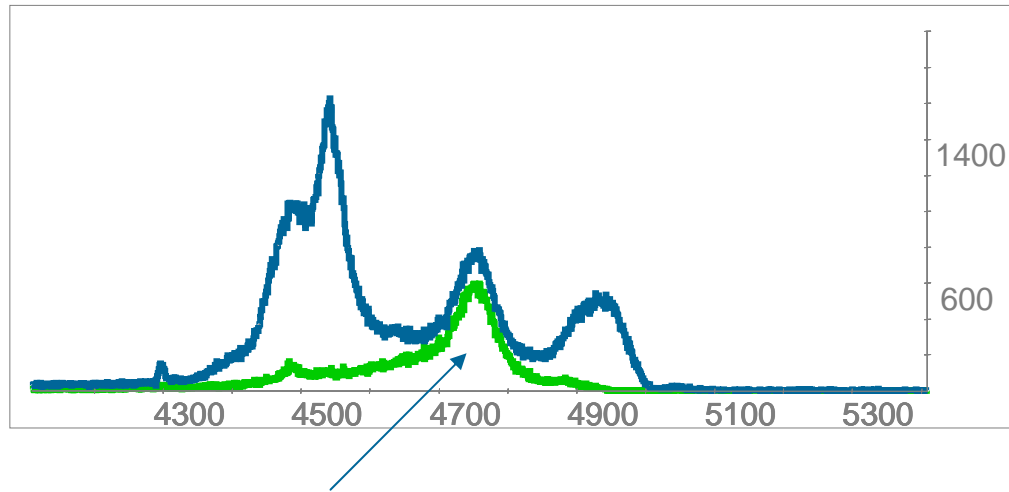
196Os

200-201Pt

206Hg

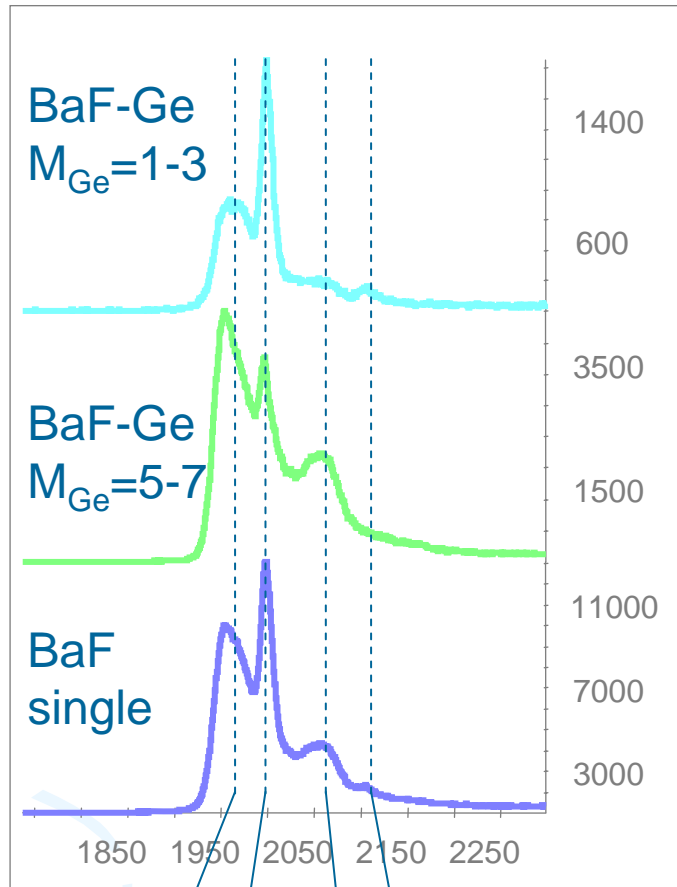






**Solution: Multiplicity filtering,**  
**when the number of crystals in a cluster is 1-3**  
**(physically correct condition to detect the Compton scattering)**

# A BaF<sub>2</sub> (HECTOR) time distribution in coincidence with a cluster



**Conclusion:** the source of the high multiplicity, and high amplitude signals is situated downstream in the FRS area



### **Some other properties of the “bad” signals:**

- For the outer rings the number of saturated signals is reduced
- With a primary beam (no fragmentation before a target) the bad signals contribute less
- The higher beam energy and the current the bigger contribution of the bad signals
- No matter if a reaction target is used or not

### **A general conclusion on that point:**

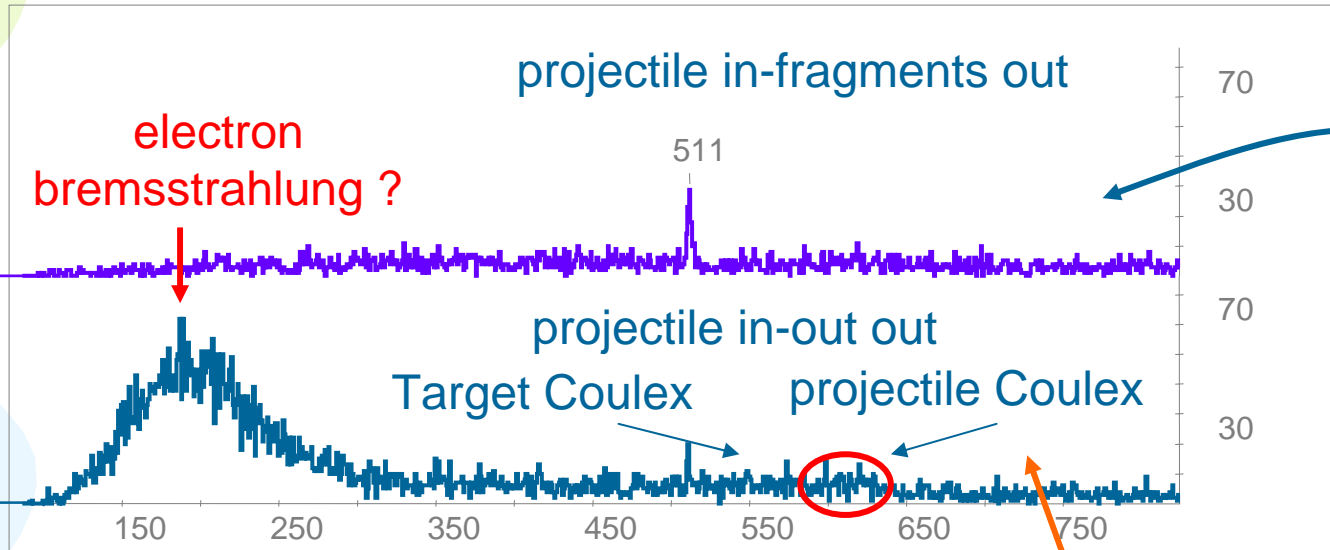
A fragmentation in the FRS area is a source of the intensive background radiation seen by the Ge detectors.

Its nature could be high energy particles\* (protons) affecting mainly detectors close to the beam line.

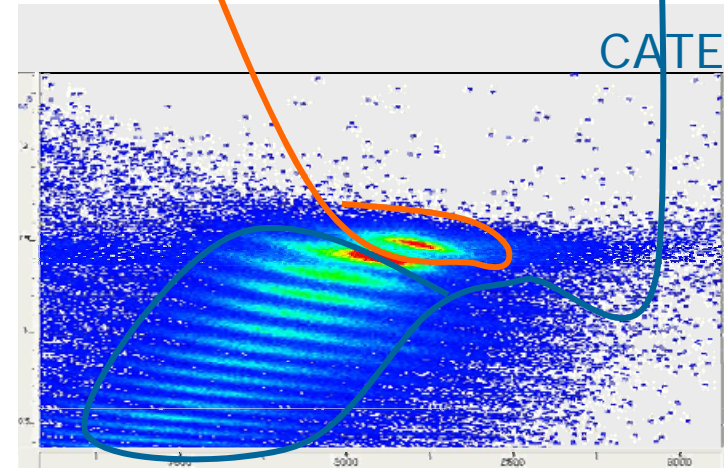
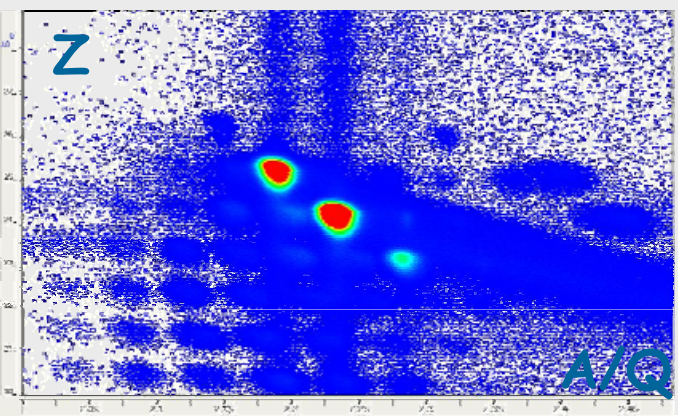
\*However a pileup of several hundred gammas irradiating the whole array cannot be excluded (i.e. a very intense bremsstrahlung)

# Low energy background in a Ge gamma spectrum

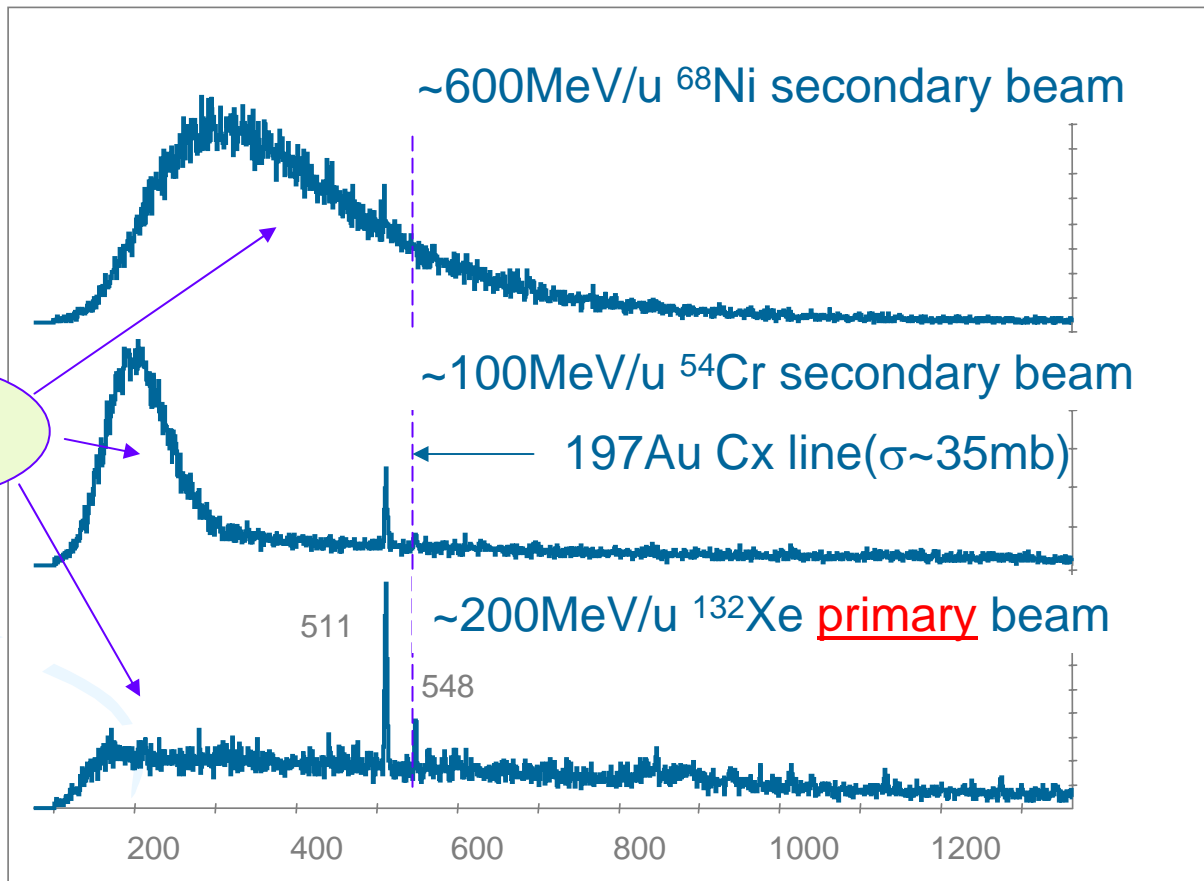
$^{134}\text{Cs}$  secondary beam on Au target



a few gammas, mainly elastic scattering=> enhanced background (correlated with a beam)  
gammas from excited fragments emitted in flight

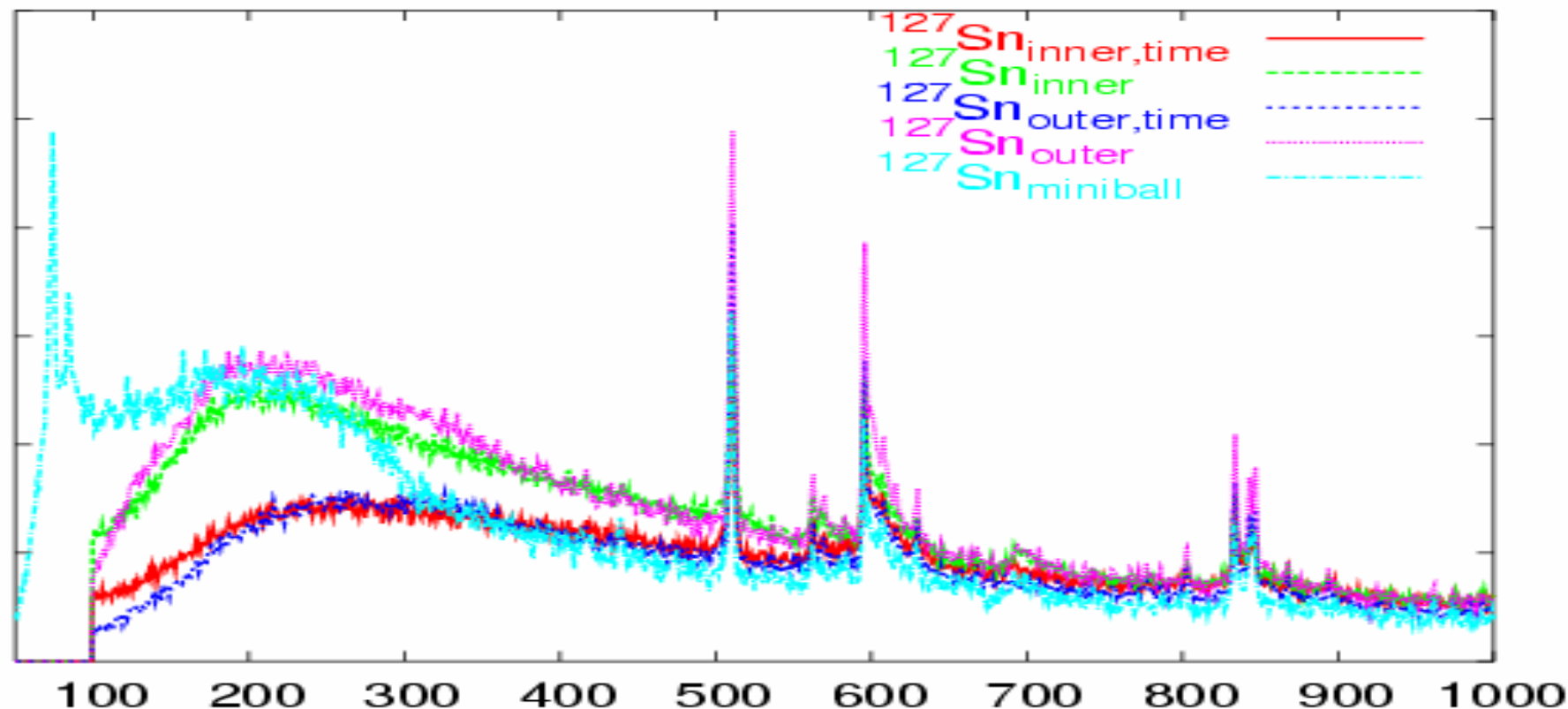
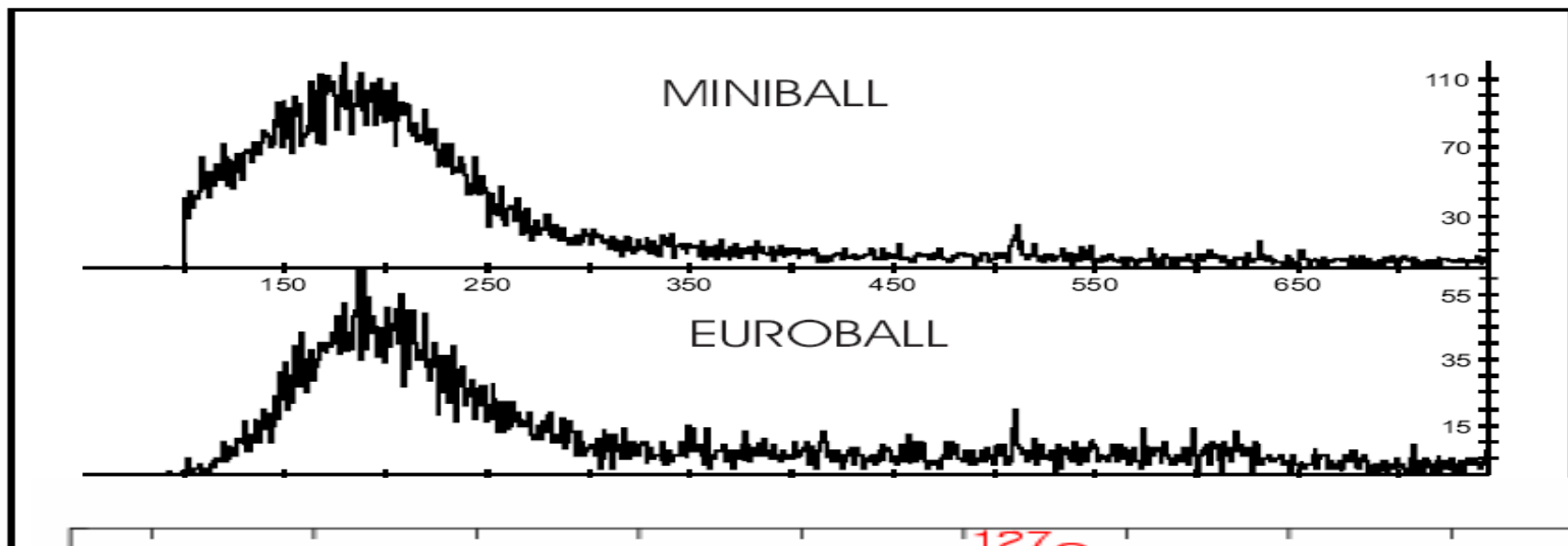


## Incoming-outgoing projectile selection, Au target

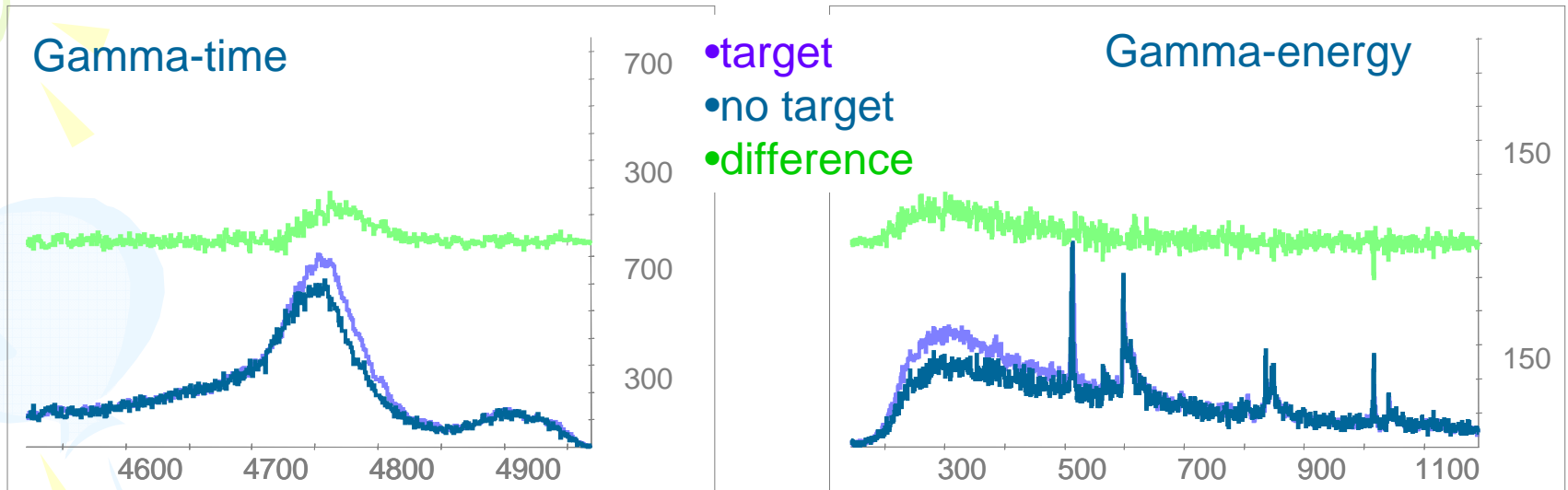




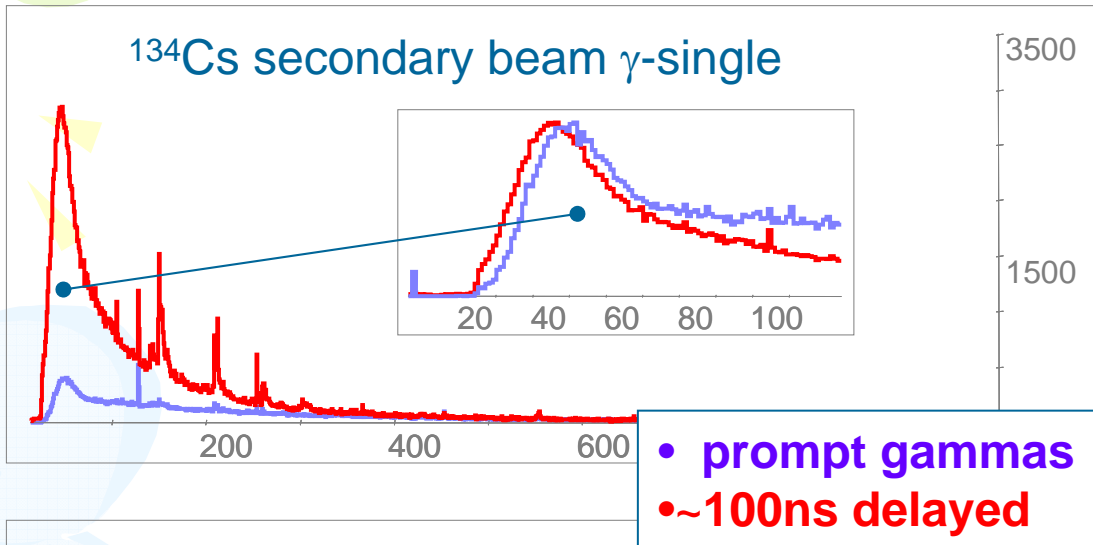
# $^{134}\text{Cs}$ secondary beam on Au, projectile in-out



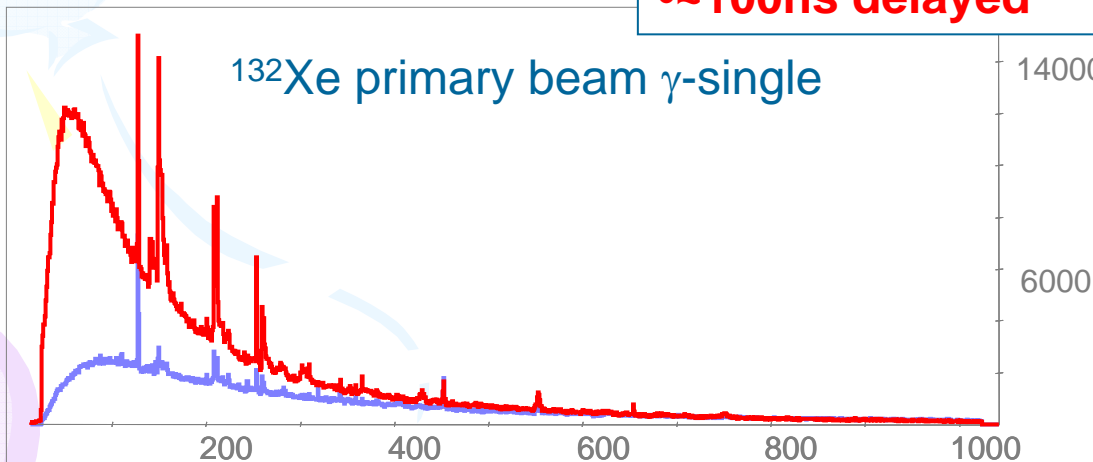
~600MeV/u  $^{68}\text{Ni}$  secondary beam



Presence of the Au target enhances the prompt low energy gammas.



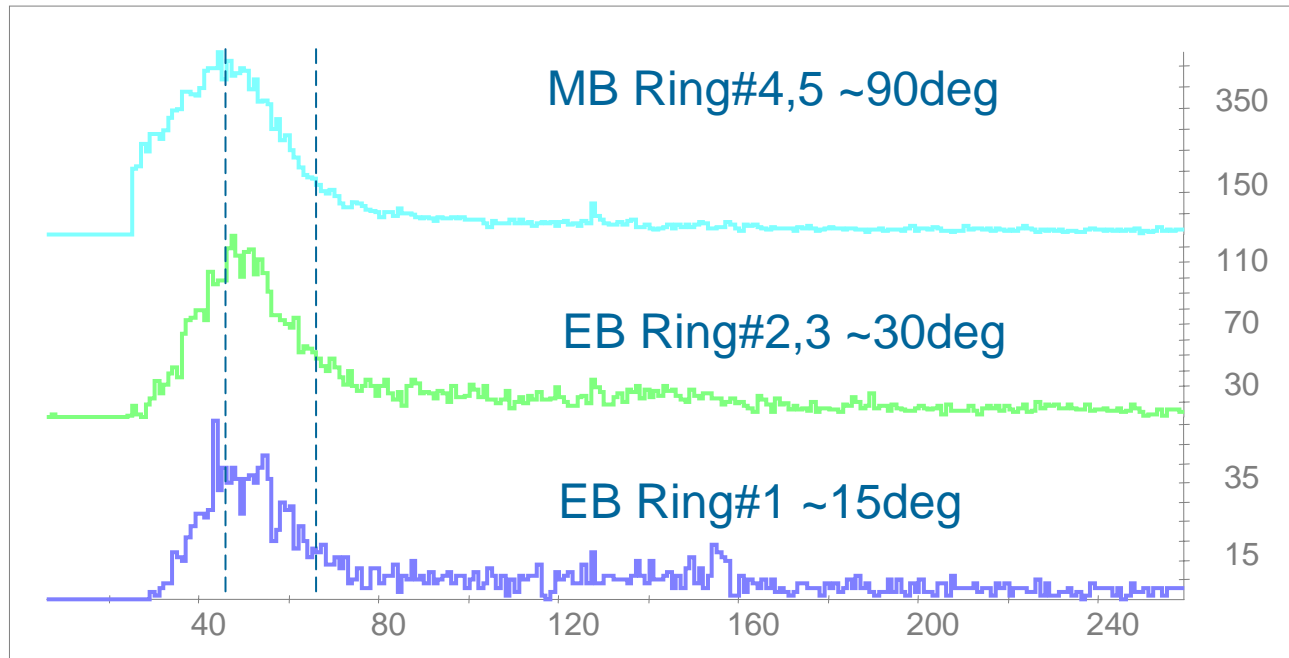
The prompt and delayed distributions are shifted in energy



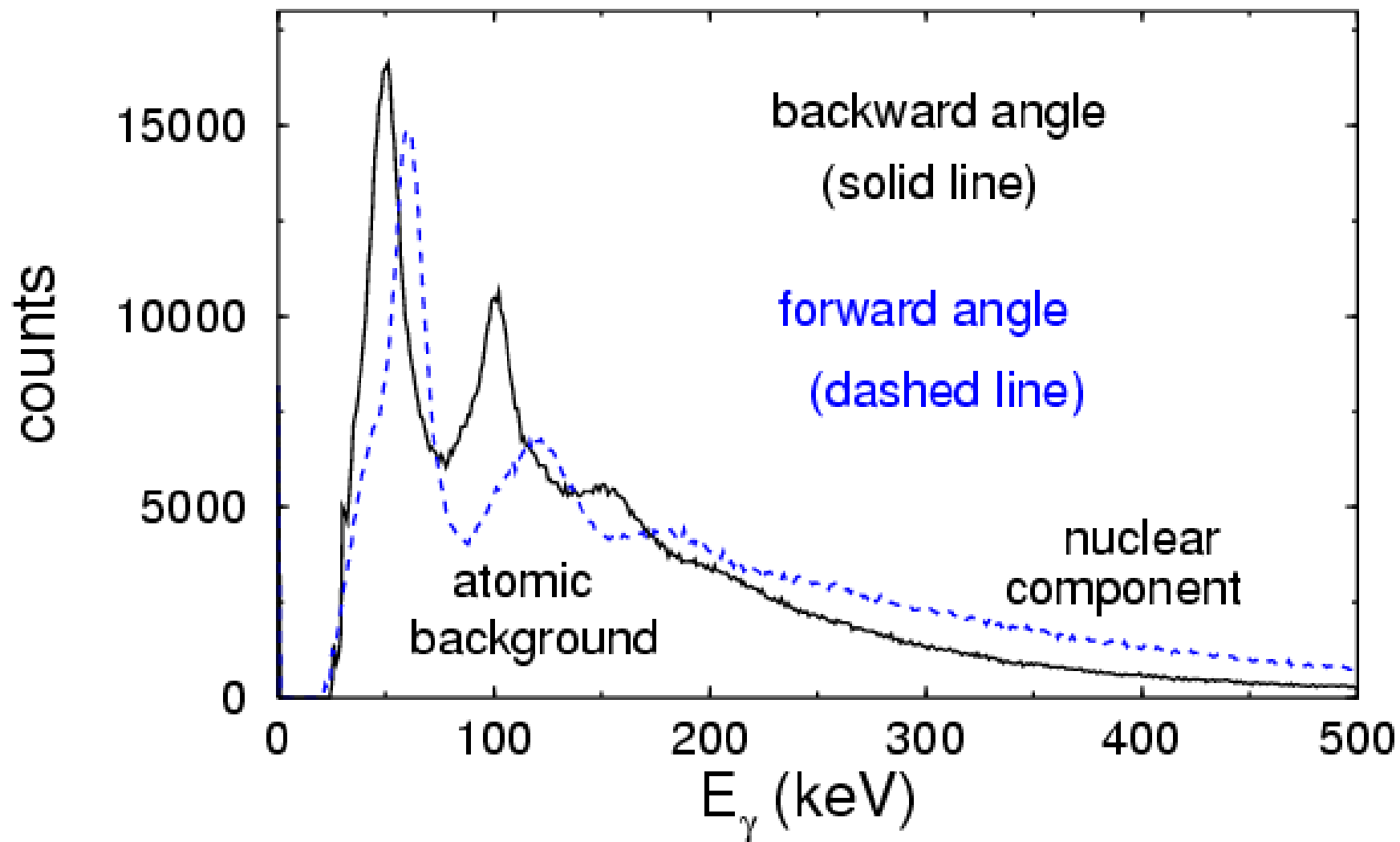
There is (almost) no prompt background bump if only a primary beam is of use

*Spectra normalized according to the 400-1000 keV range*

$^{134}\text{Cs}$  secondary beam  $\gamma$ -particle



Position of the (prompt) bump very little depends on a detector angle

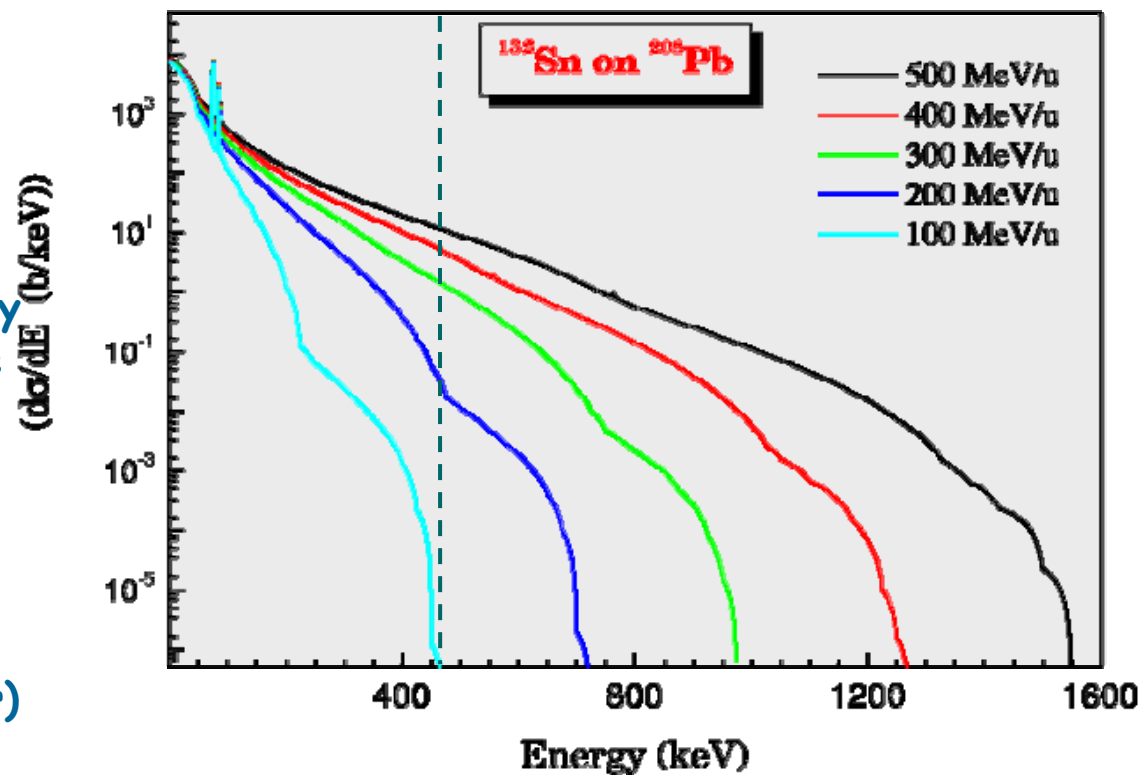


At ~60 and ~120 degrees



## Bremsstrahlung components

- **Radiative electron Capture** of target electrons into bound states of the projectile
- **Primary Bremsstrahlung** of target electrons produced by the collision with the projectile
- **Secondary Bremsstrahlung** of high energy knock-out electrons re-scattering in the target
- $\sigma(\text{atomic}) \sim 10000 * \sigma(\text{nuclear})$



Components of the atomic background and their properties [31].  $Z_p$  and  $Z_t$  are the atomic numbers of the projectile and target, respectively.  $E_b$  is the binding energy of the electron in the projectile (see the text for details).

| Component | energy  | Doppler shift | $\sigma(\theta)$                    | $\sigma(Z_p, Z_t, v)$ |
|-----------|---|---------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| REC       | $[(\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\beta^2}} - 1)mc^2 + E_b] \frac{\sqrt{1-\beta^2}}{1-\beta\cos\theta}$ | yes           | $\sin^2\theta$                      | $Z_p^2 Z_t / v_p^5$   |
| PB        | $< (\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\beta^2}} - 1)mc^2 \frac{\sqrt{1-\beta^2}}{1-\beta\cos\theta}$       | yes           | $\sin^2\theta(1 - \beta\cos\theta)$ | $Z_p^2 Z_t / v_p^2$   |
| SEB       | $< 2 \frac{\beta^2}{1-\beta^2} mc^2$  | no            | isotropic                           | $Z_p^2 Z_t^2 / v_p^2$ |

## Conclusion:

- The prompt background may result from the (secondary ?) bremsstrahlung of electrons slowing down in the secondary target (Au). These electrons would be produced by fragments scattered on the FRS components.

(suppressed if there is no primary or secondary target)

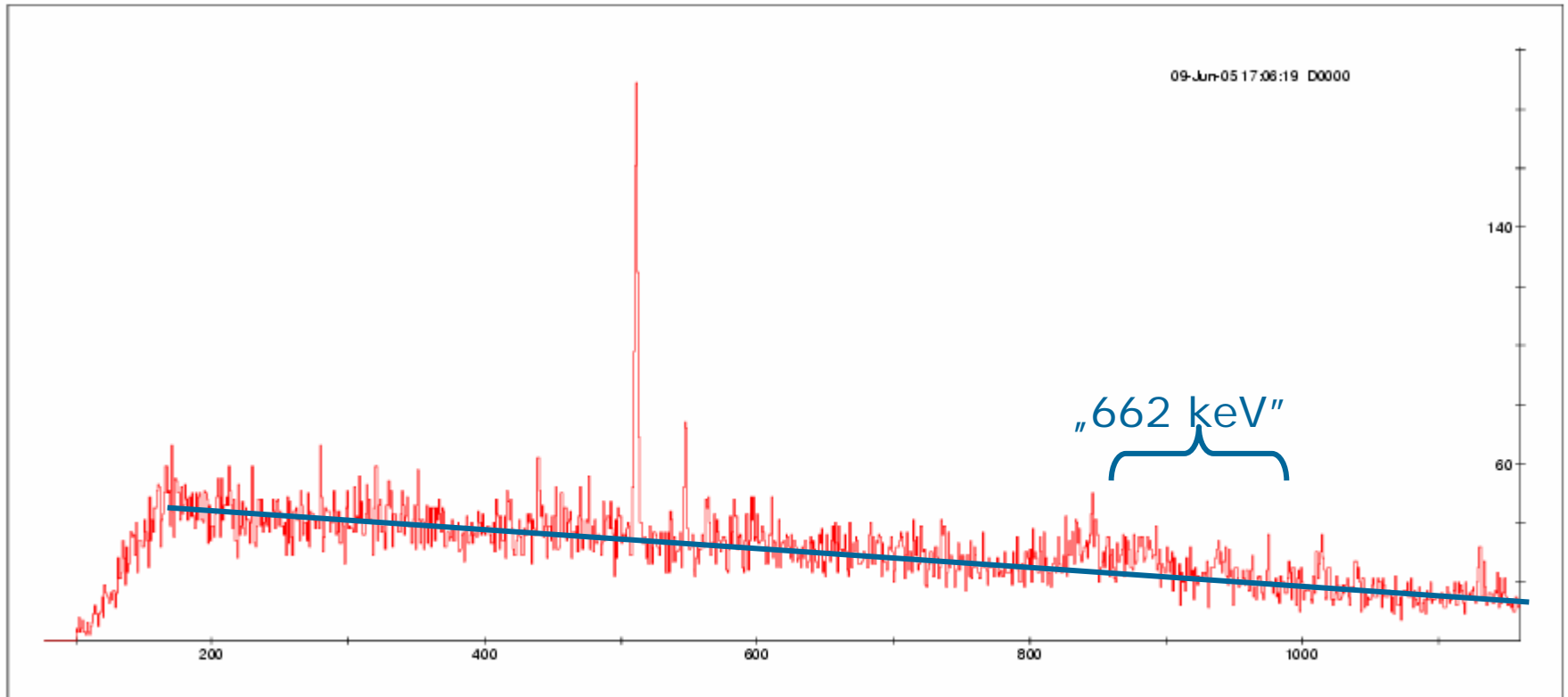
- The delayed component may be then related to the bremsstrahlung of the electrons in CATE (CsI) or in the environment.

(In this case the electrons could be also emitted from the secondary target)

$^{132}\text{Xe}$  (662 keV)

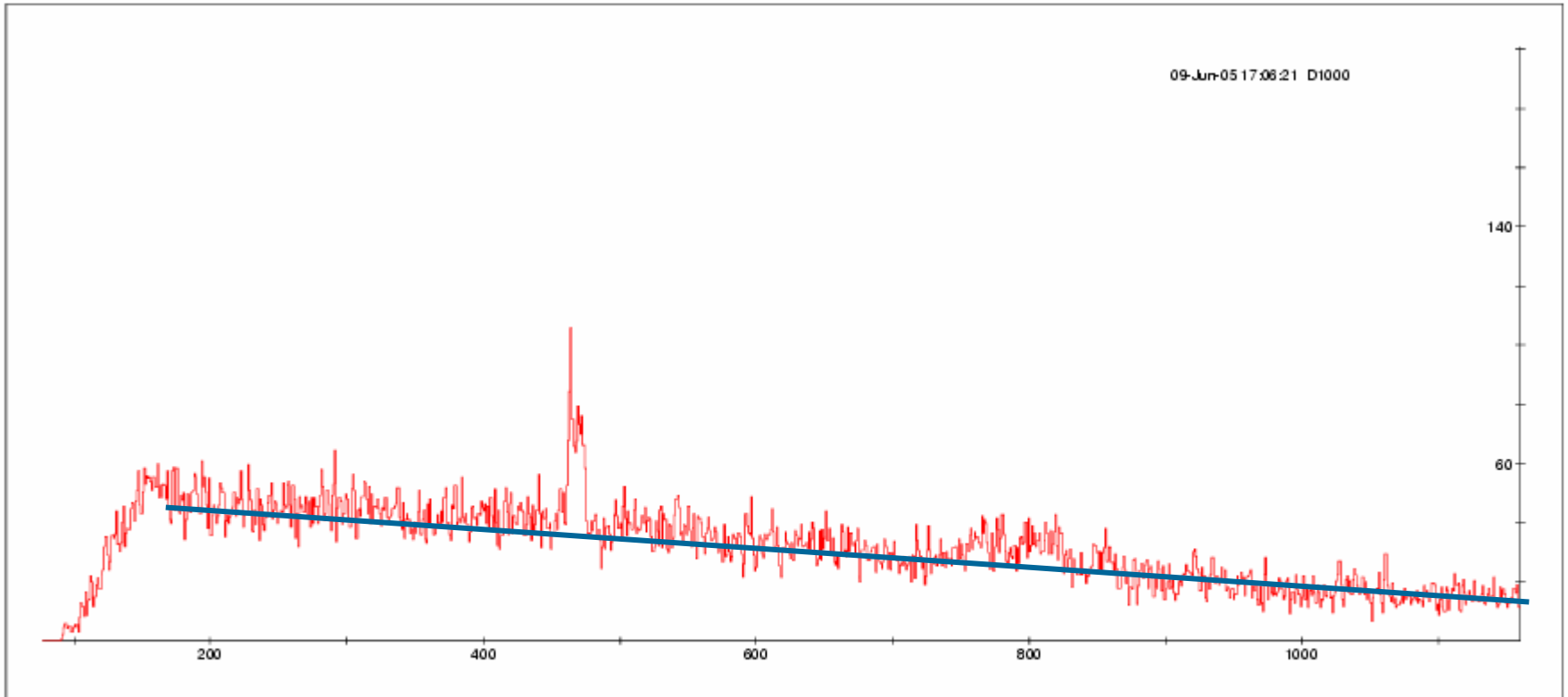
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What happens to the spectral shape, when one applies Doppler corrections?



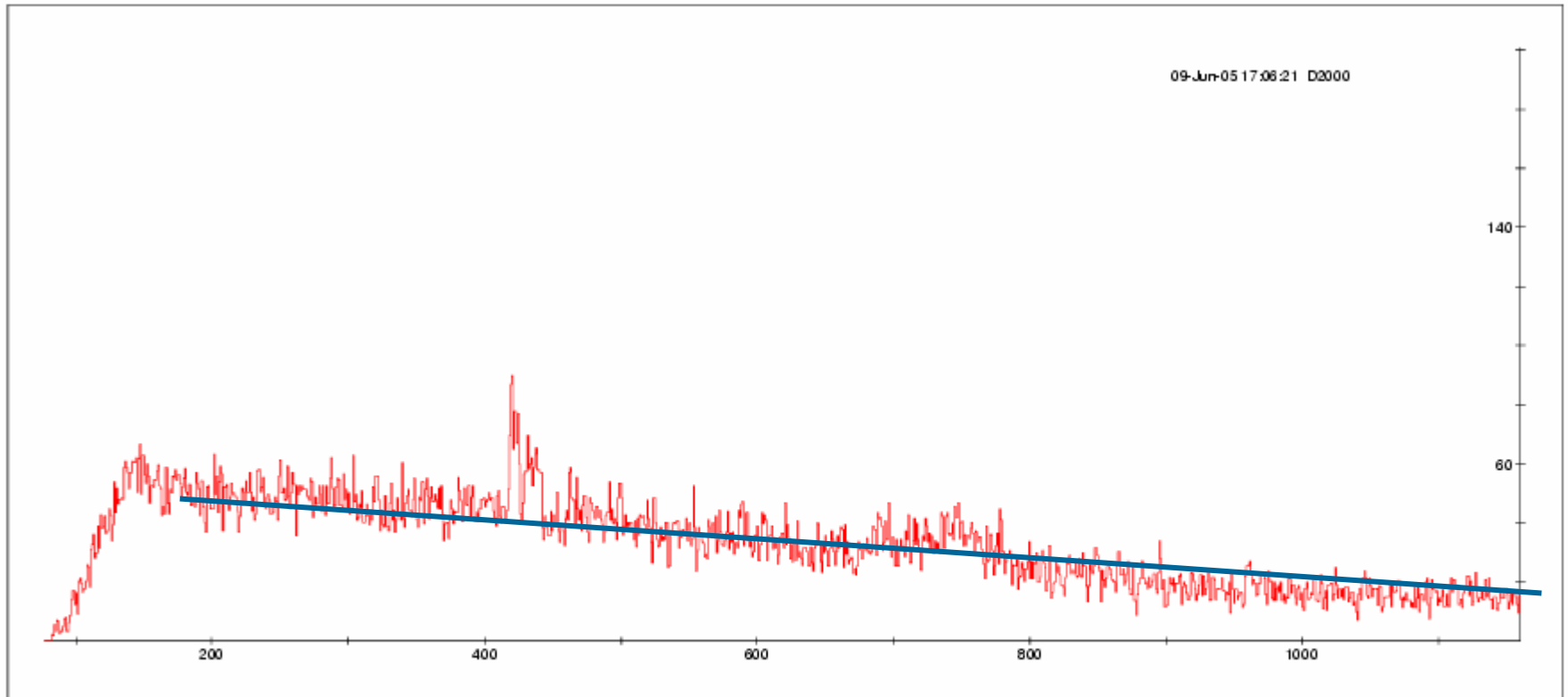
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$v/c = 0.100$



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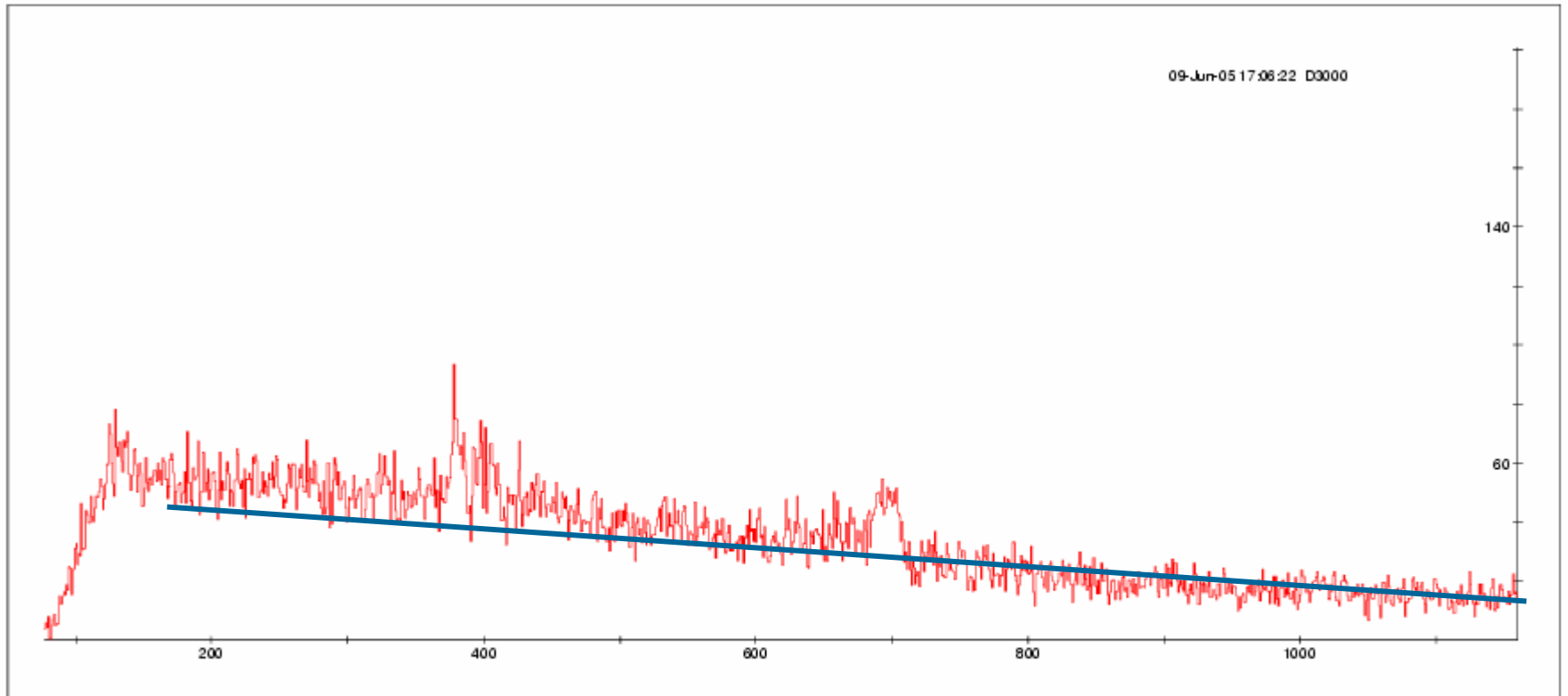
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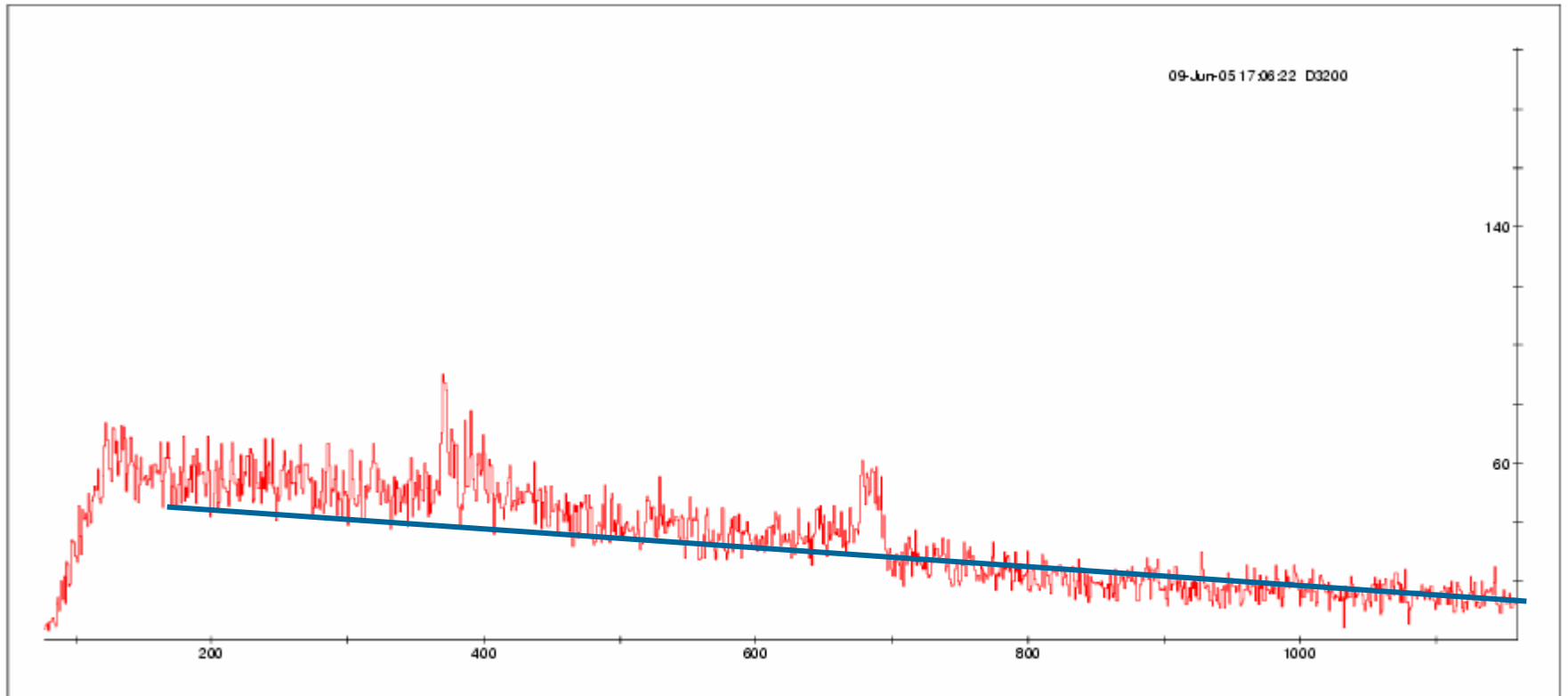
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$v/c = 0.300$



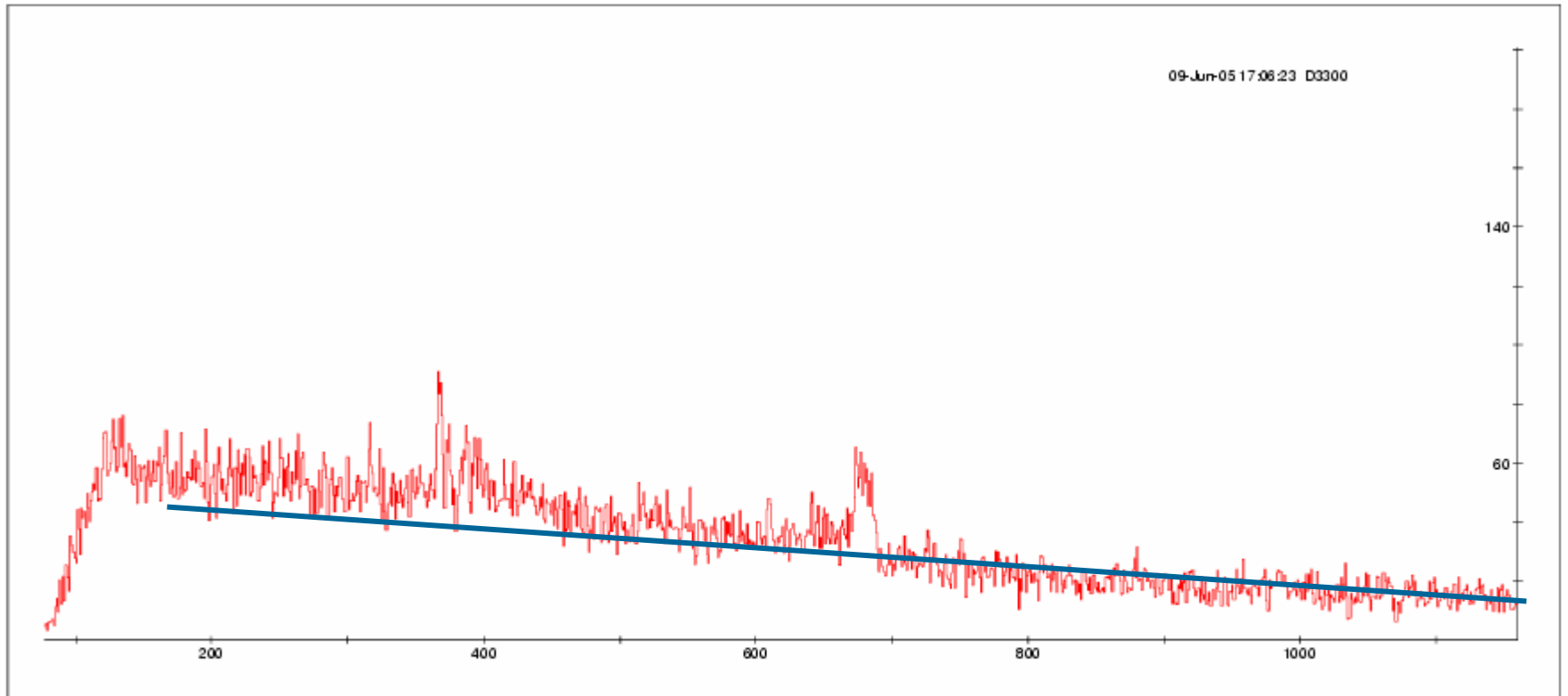
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$v/c = 0.320$



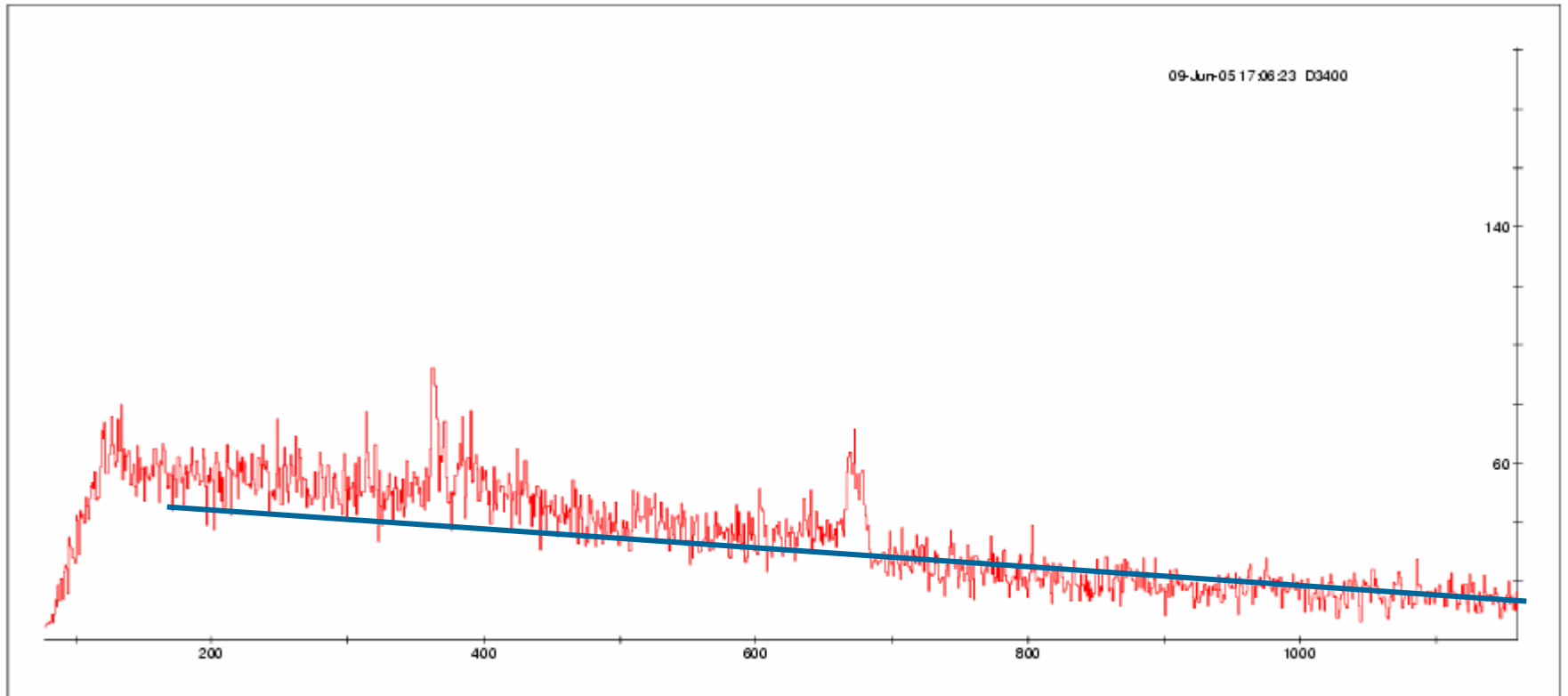
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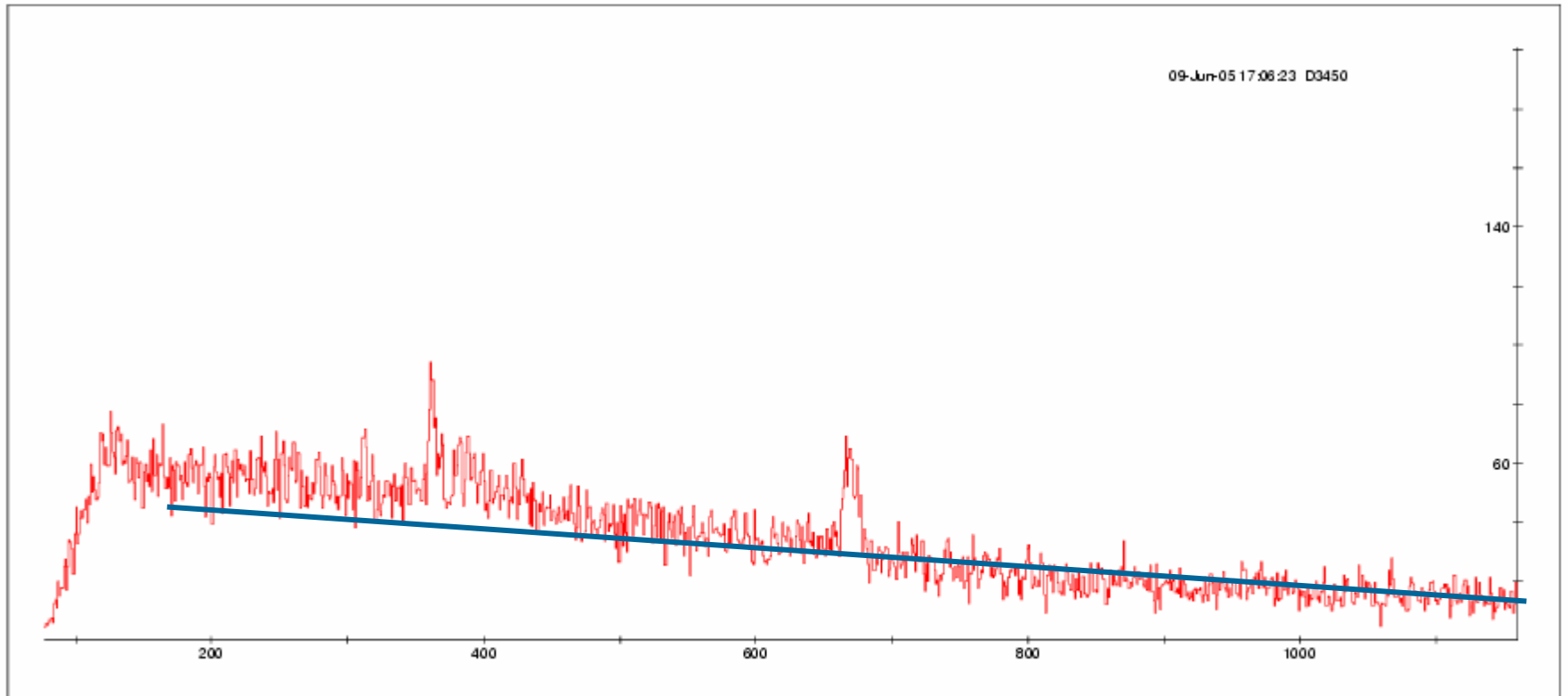
$^{132}\text{Xe}$  (662 keV)

$v/c = 0.340$



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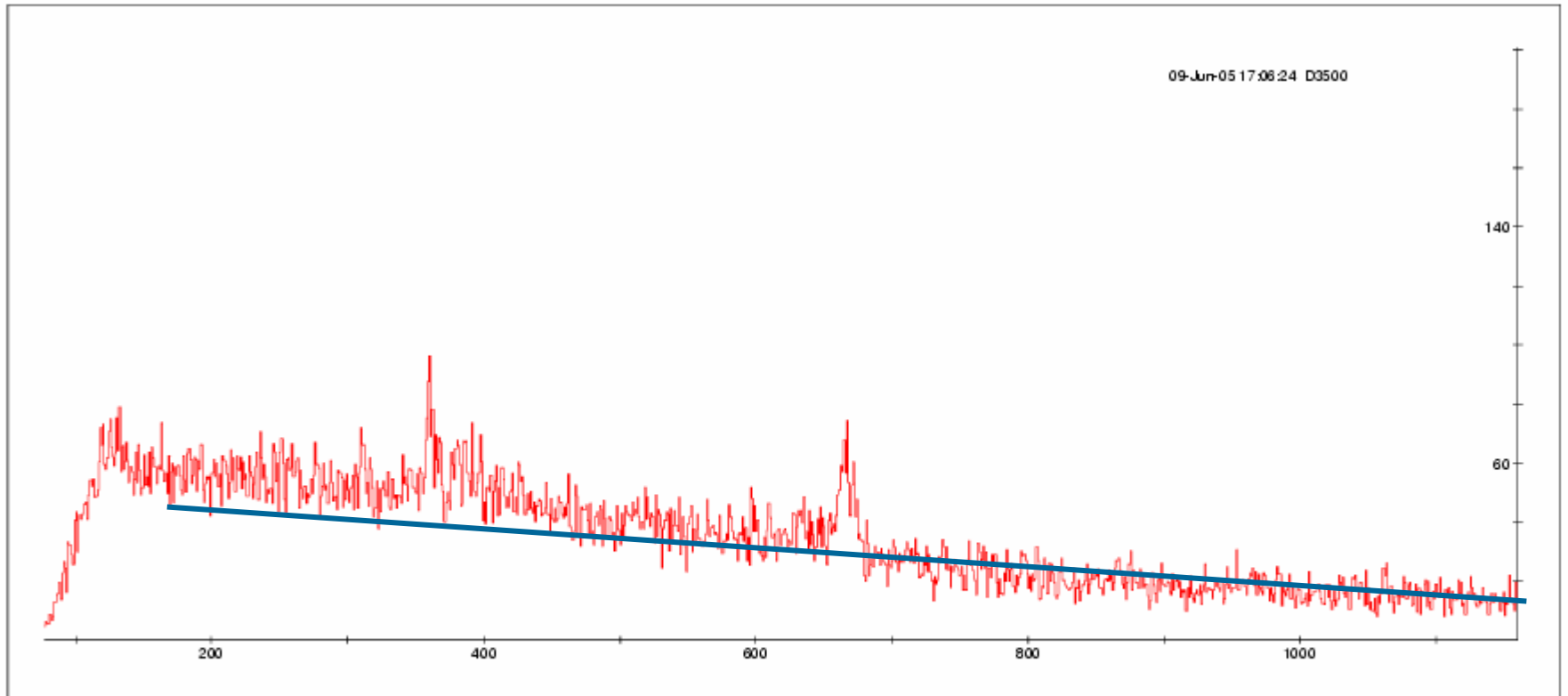
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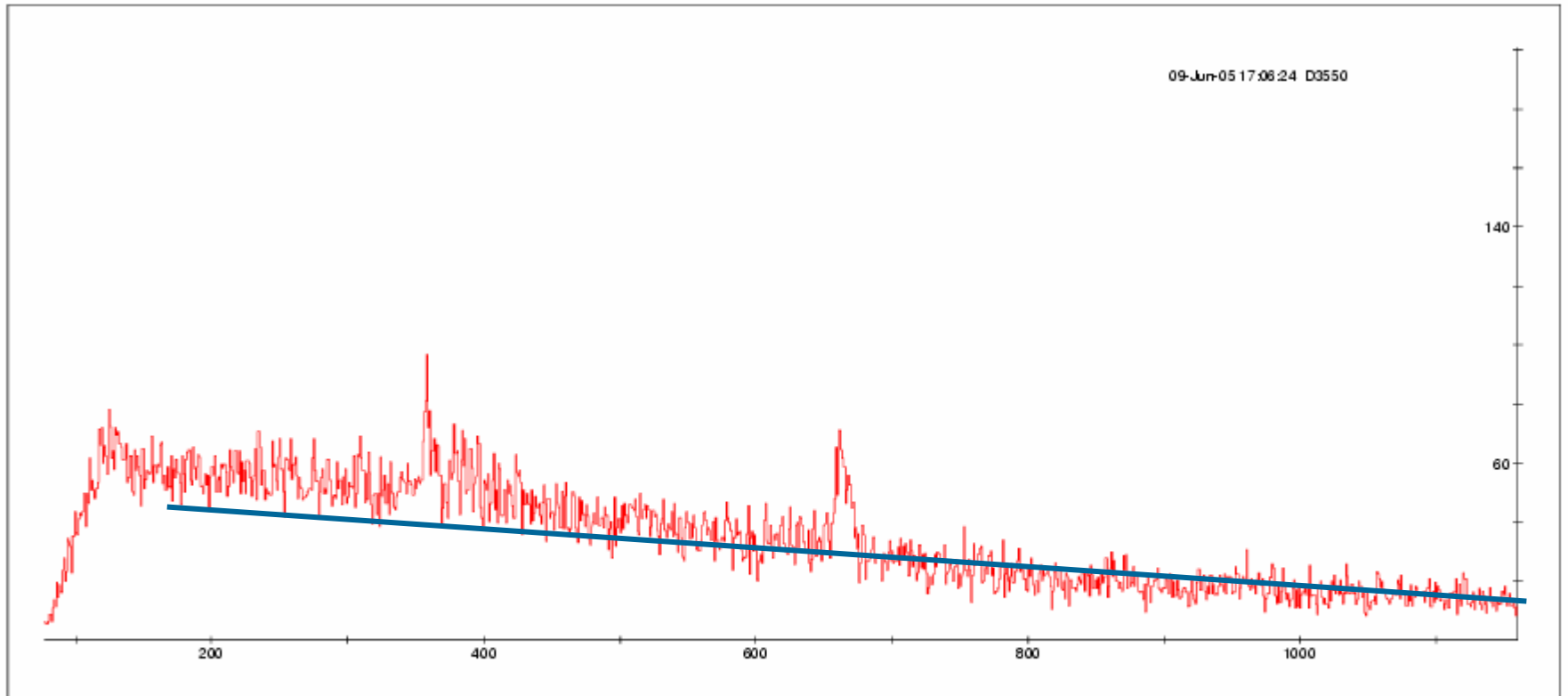
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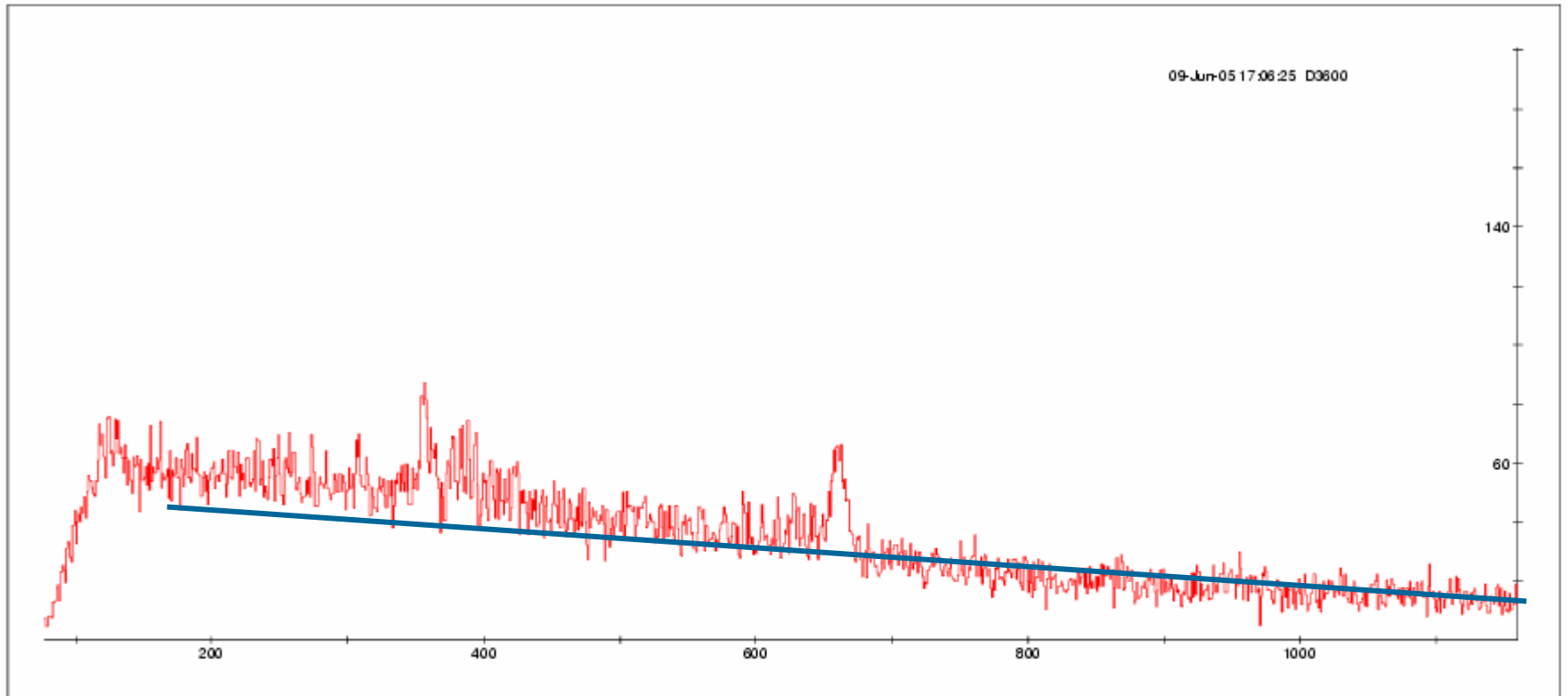
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$v/c = 0.355$



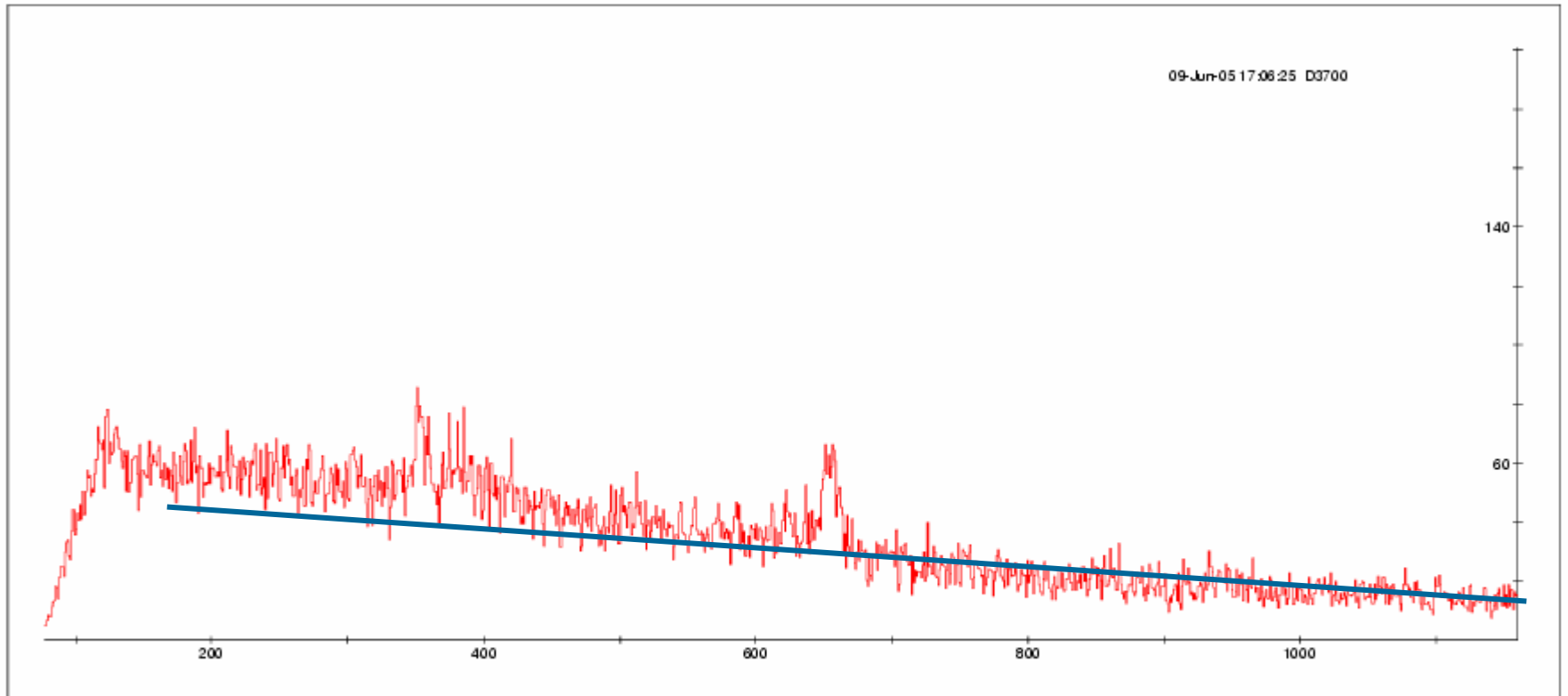
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$v/c = 0.360$



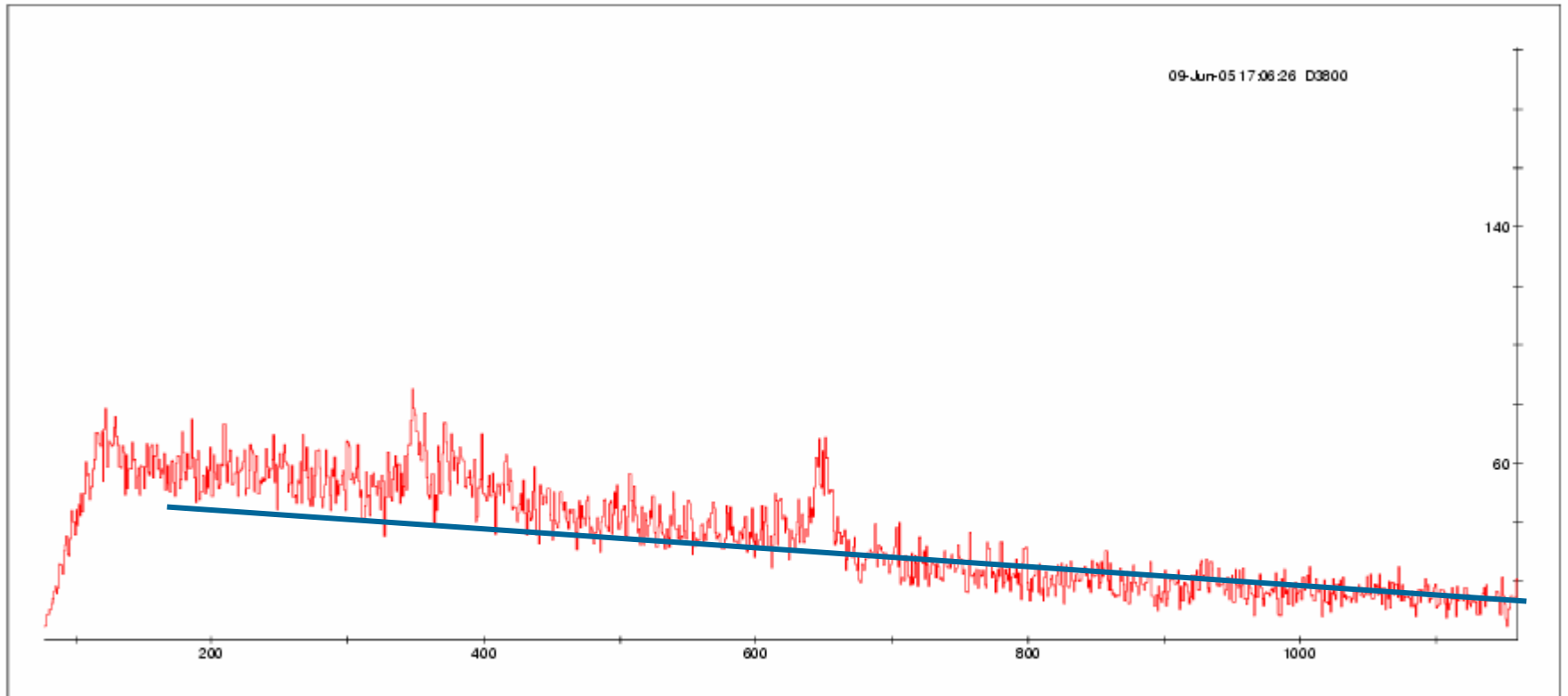
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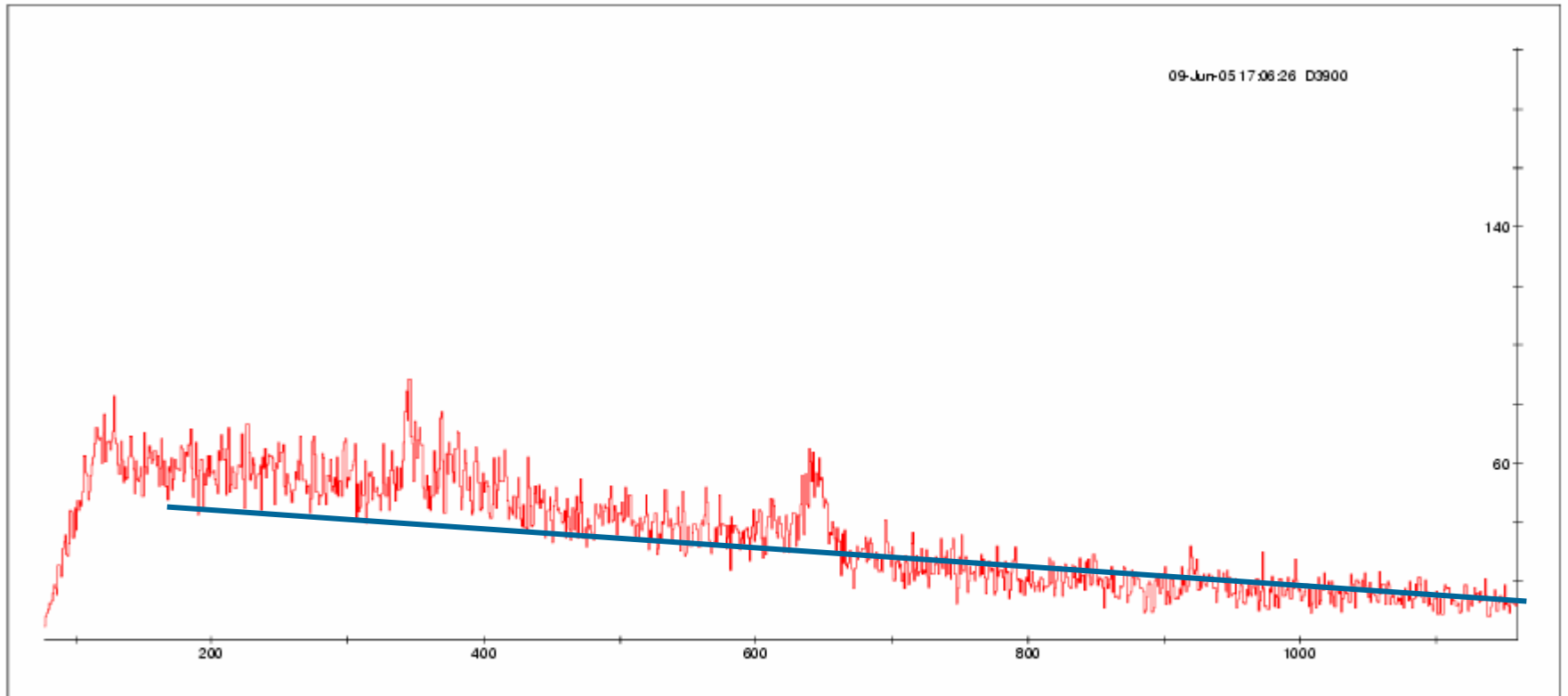
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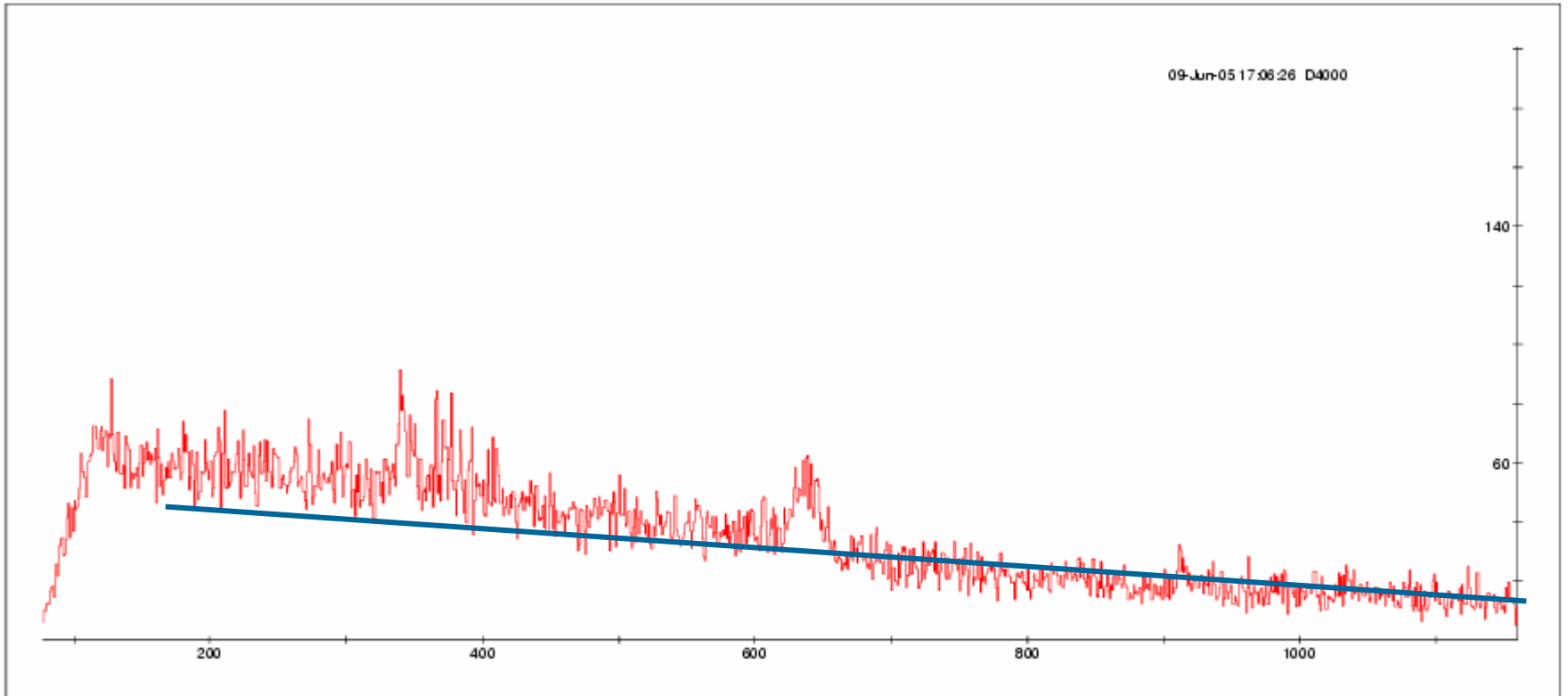
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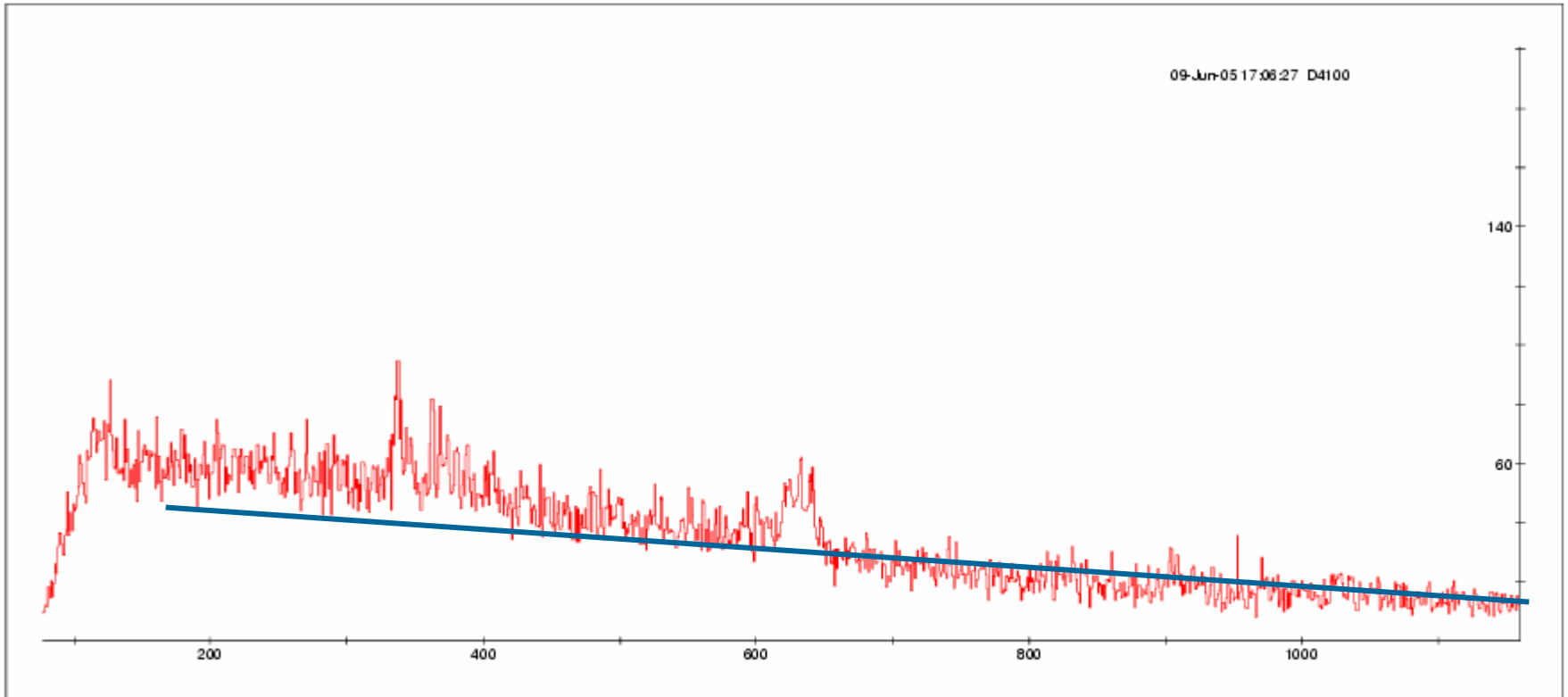
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$v/c = 0.400$



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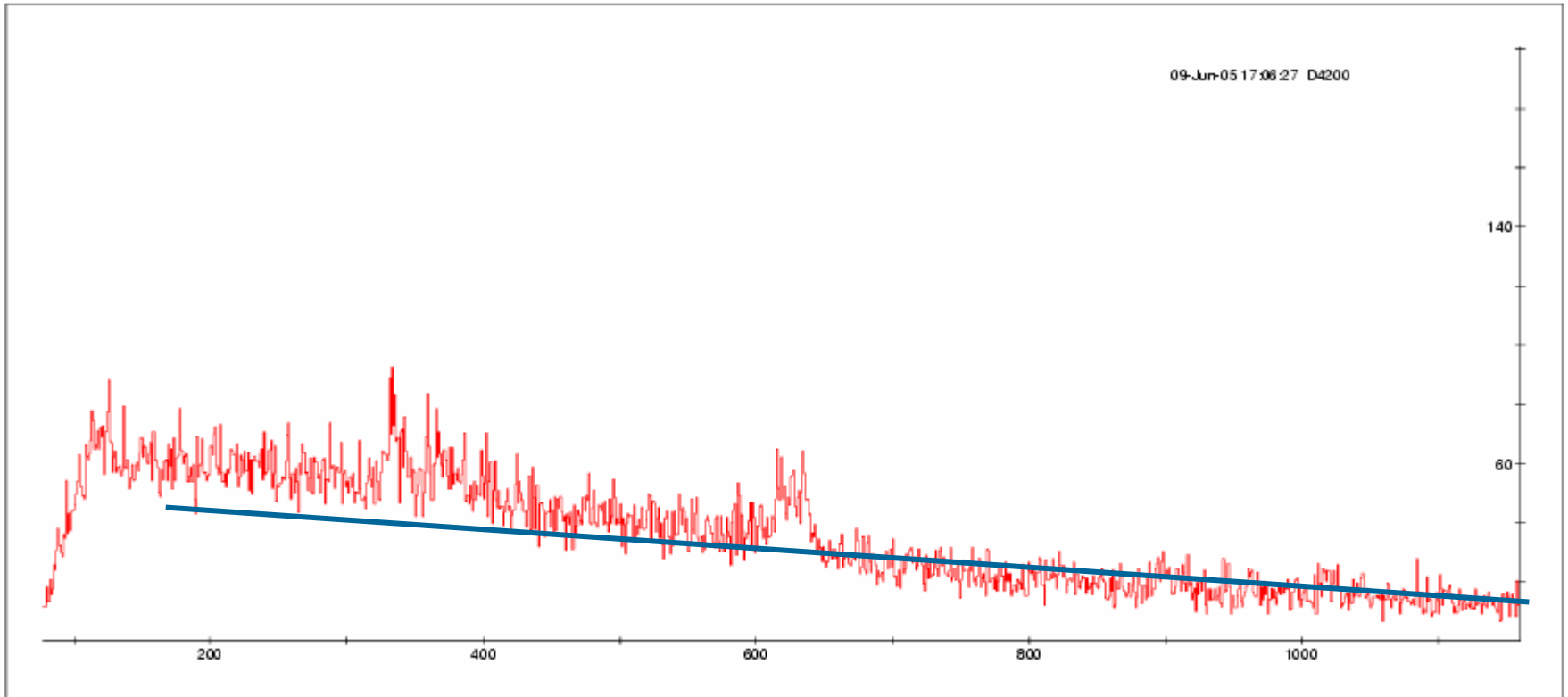
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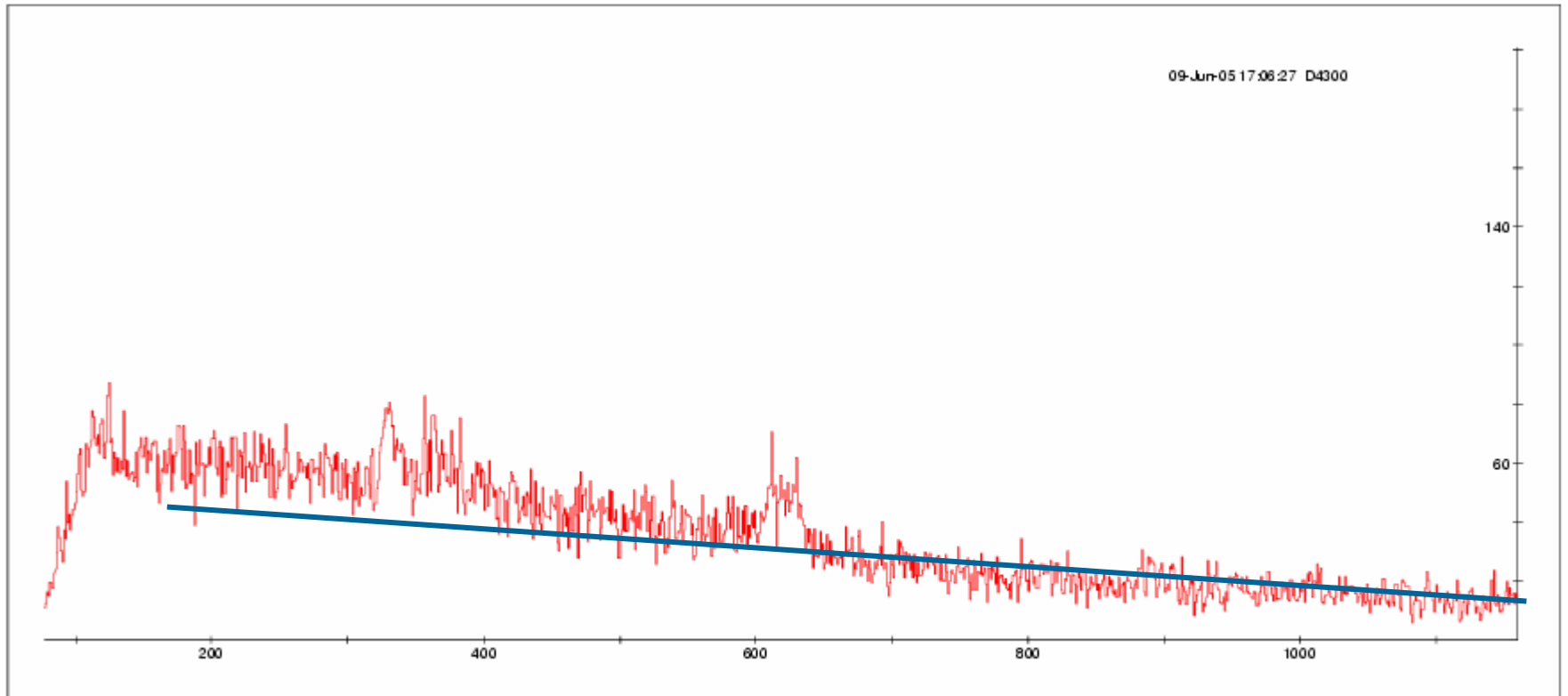
$^{132}\text{Xe}$  (662 keV)

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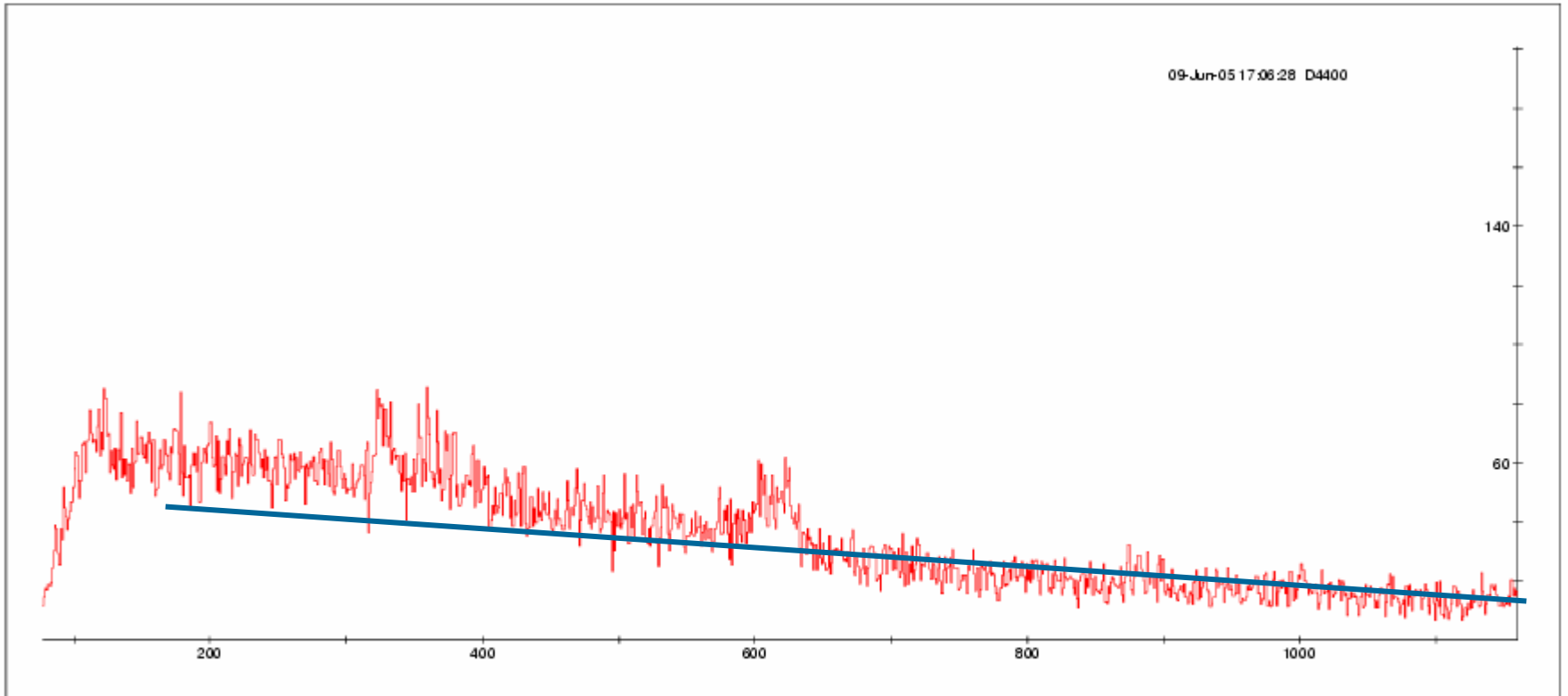
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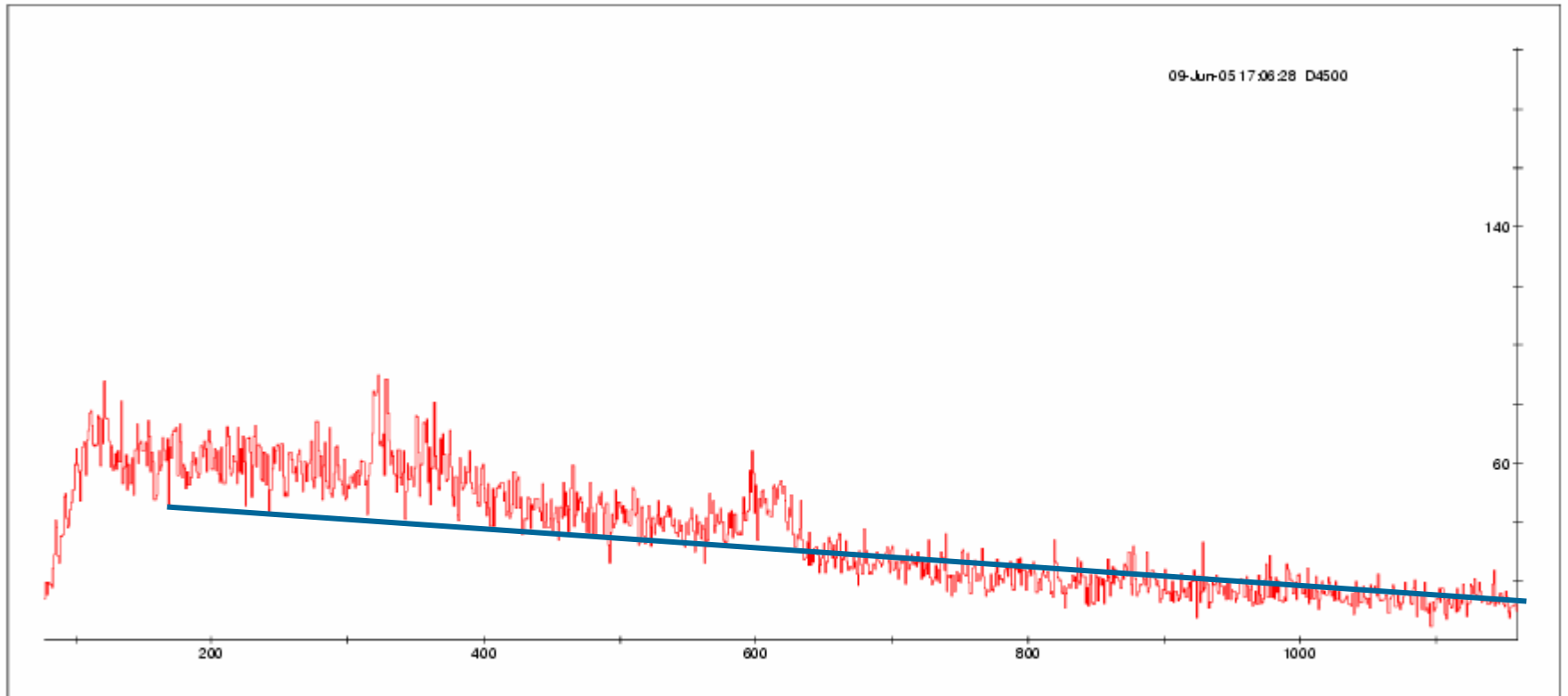
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$v/c = 0.440$



$^{132}\text{Xe}$  (662 keV)

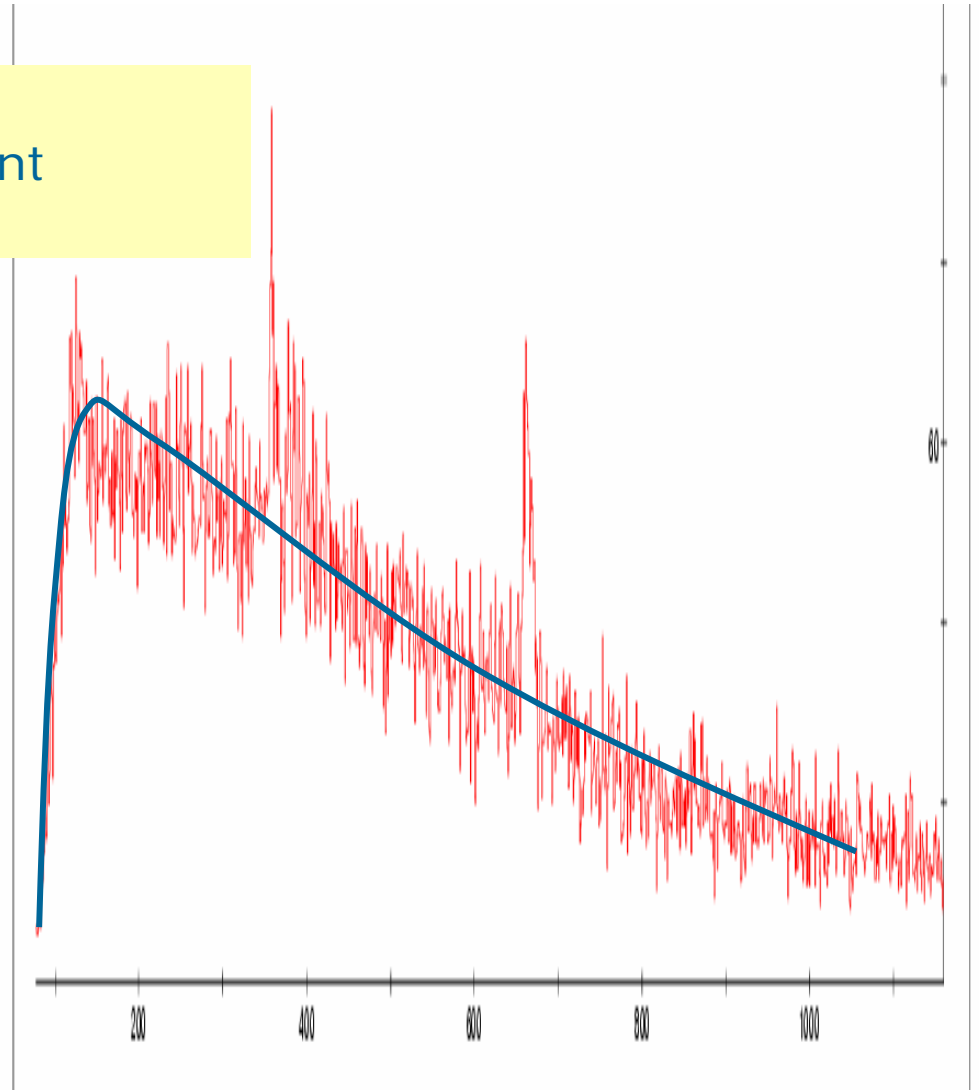
$v/c = 0.450$



$^{132}\text{Xe}$  (662 keV)

$$v/c = 0.355$$

This is NOT bremsstrahlung!  
This IS compressed nearly constant  
background.





$^{37}\text{P}$  produced in a fragmentation of  $^{48}\text{Ca}$

