



TG-10 status report



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- Completed projects
- Ongoing projects
- Future projects
- Majorana / GERDA Joint Monte Carlo Workshop
- Your input is needed

Recently completed projects

- Placement of PMTs for the muon veto Tübingen
- Validation of MaGe with test stand data (gammas) Munich
- Studies of the angular correlation between gammas in Co-60 Munich
- Installation of MaGe in Heidelberg Heidelberg

Ongoing projects

- (GERDA) MaGe update all
- Validation of MaGe with test stand data (neutrons) Washington/Munich
- MaGe reference paper all
- Easy geometry implementation LNGS
- Muon veto efficiency Tübingen
- Calculation of radioactivity limits for Phase I Moscow
- MaGe documentation Washington/Munich
- Bench mark processes Washington/Munich

- **Geometry:**

- Infrastructure → Beams, clean room, lock, ...
- Water tank → final geometry needed
- Cryostat → final geometry needed
- Detectors → Phase I detector geometries needed (database?)
→ Define reference arrays (Phase I and II)

→ Drawings accessible to TG 10?

→ Materials (and thus activities) fixed yet?

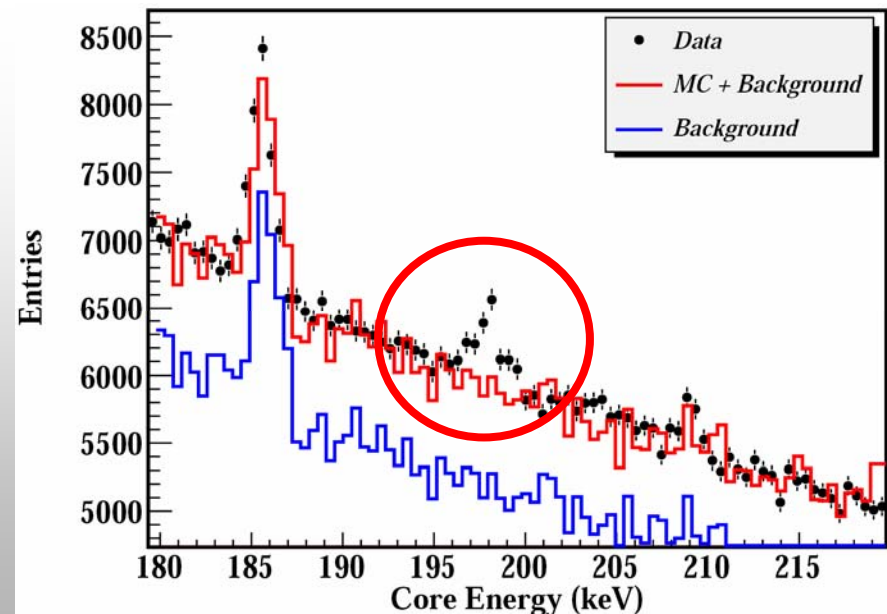
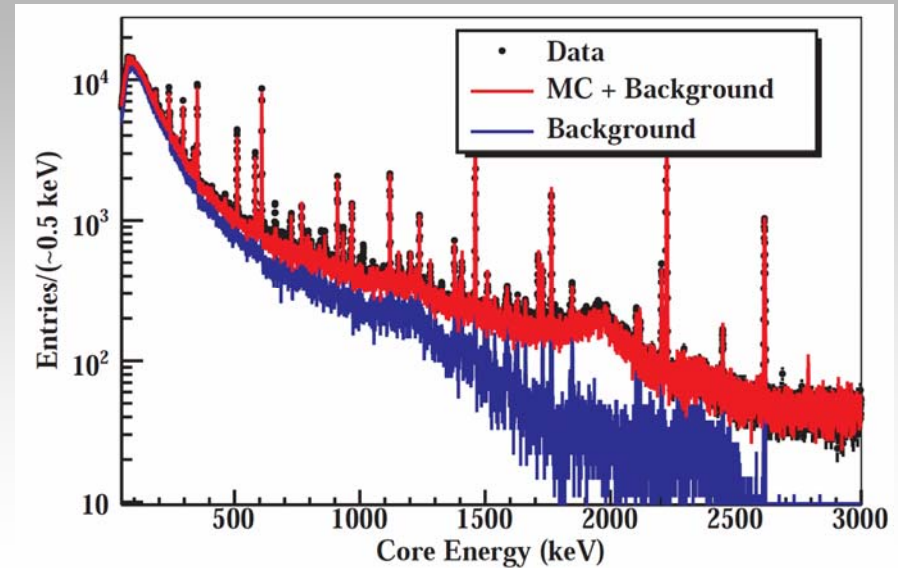
- **Physics lists, technical details**

- **Documentation:**

- MaGe user's and developer's guide

Ongoing projects: Validation with test stand data (neutrons)

- Data taken with an 18-fold segmented detector and an AmBe source
- Identification of lines is ongoing
- MC plus background describes most of the features in the spectrum
- Some lines are not described in GEANT4 (meta-stable states)
- Work with neutron data also performed by Majorana



Ongoing projects: MaGe reference publication

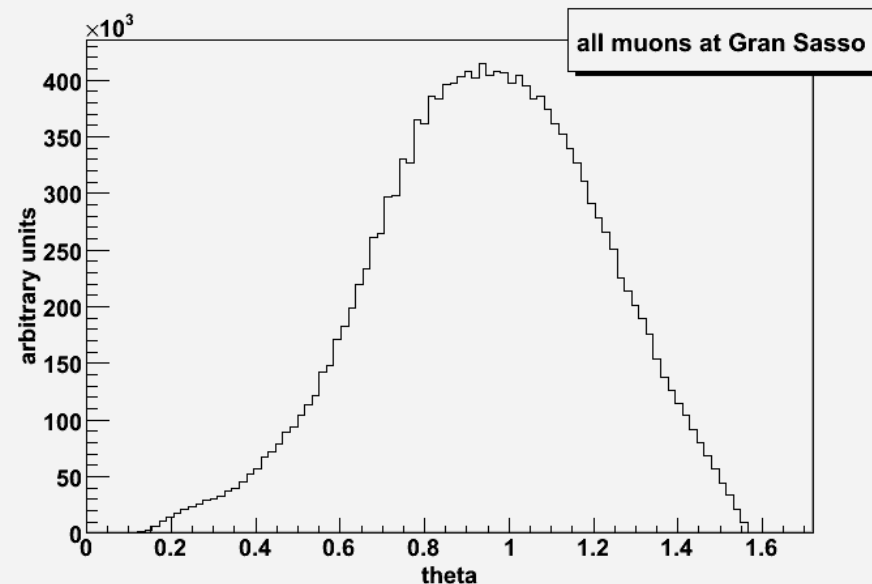
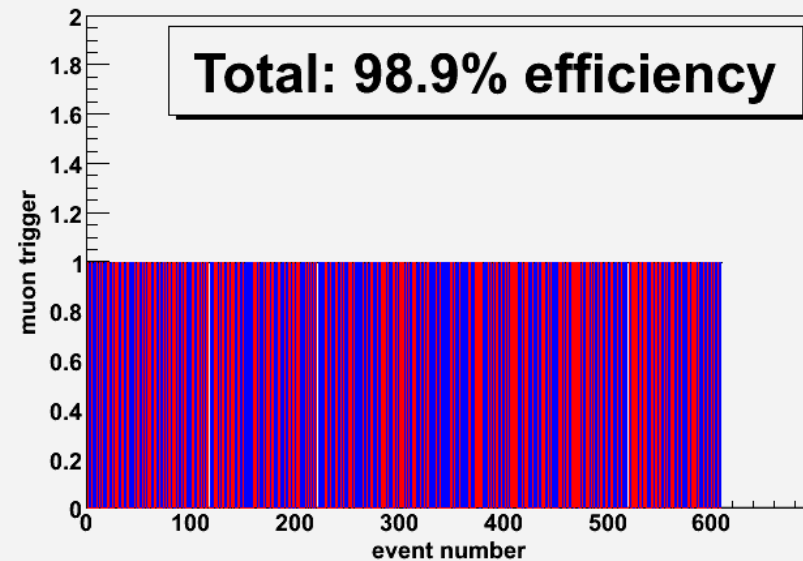
- **Aim:** MaGe reference
- Together with Majorana MC group
- GERDA participation: Tübingen, LNGS, Munich
- **Topics:**
 - Scope (double-beta decay and related)
 - Structure of MaGe (flexibility)
 - Physics validation
- Journal: IEEE

Ongoing projects: Easy geometry implementation

- Triggered by material screening group
- New feature: define **materials** and (simple) **geometries** from external file, i.e. no re-compiling necessary.
- New feature: new output scheme for **detector efficiency** calculation
- Manual and test macros available (CVS)
- Test of GDML (more general database) planned
- Further details in the MaGe Workshop

Ongoing projects: Muon veto efficiency

- Calculation of the muon veto efficiency ongoing
- Efficiency of 98.9% obtained with Cherenkov detector and scintillator
- Data base of *dangerous muons* is being build up
- Geometry of scintillator plates to be updated during general MaGe update



Ongoing projects: Calculation of radioactivity limits for Phase I

- Calculation of background from suspension and crystals for Phase I
- Assumptions: 9 Phase I crystals
liquid Argon
Anti-coincidence analysis
- Allowed activities A for 10^{-3} counts/(kg·keV·y):

Part	Mass [kg]	$A(^{238}\text{U})$ [$\mu\text{Bq/kg}$]	$A(^{228}\text{Th})$ [$\mu\text{Bq/kg}$]
Crystals	18.0	0.13	0.4
Argon	88605.0	1.8	0.4
Holder	1.1	55.6	10.1
Electronics	0.6	≈ 8000	≈ 500

Planned projects

- **Monte Carlo campaign with updated geometry:**
 - Estimate of expected background
 - Signal efficiencies for physics processes ($0\nu\beta\beta$, $2\nu\beta\beta$, ...)
 - Major effort in the next months
 - **Create reference background table for GERDA**
- **Pulse shape simulation:**
 - Extra software package with interface to MaGe
 - Development together with Majorana MC group
- **Simulation of test stands and auxiliary experiments:**
 - Monte Carlo validation

- **Joint Majorana / GERDA Monte Carlo Workshop on MaGe**
 - Majorana and Gerda participation (about 25 participants)
 - Monte Carlo validation – Data to Monte Carlo comparisons
 - Technical issues (code design and development, organization, release policy, ...) and documentation
 - User's input
 - Discussion of development of pulse shape simulation
 - MaGe ↔ GEANT4 ↔ ILIAS connections

- **If you did work related to Monte Carlo please let TG-10 know.**
 - Communication is improvable, please help
- **We would like to have input from users:**
 - Do you have problems running MaGe, let us know.
 - Are there features which you´d like to see in MaGe, let us know.
 - Are there any changes in the hardware design, let us know.
 - Is there data which does/does not agree with MC, let us know.