Performance of the Gamma-ray Imaging Detector with Micro-TPC

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Conventional Methods of Gamma-ray Imaging



1.Collimator + Position Sensitive Detector Narrow FOV, background due to scattered gamma-ray. Energy band is below 1MeV.

2.Compton Camera

3 events are required to know incident direction.

Low sensitivity for diffuse gamma-ray source.

poor efficiency of rejecting internal background.

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Proposed Novel Gamma-ray Imaging Detector



Gaseous TPC precise measurement of 3D track & energy of recoil e⁻ Scintillation Camera position & energy of scattered

direction & energy of incident on small segment of Compton circle. event by event reconstruction

We can take full tracking of Compton scattering process ! Need no collimator.

Features

Full tracking of Compton scattering process without collimator leads... • wide FOV & no background from collimator. • event by event reconstruction of incident gamma-ray. • wide energy band with low energy threshold (>200keV) • high efficiency of BGD rejection Inconsistency between measured α and $\cos \alpha = E_e(E_{sg} - mc^2) / (E_{sg}1/2(E_e^2+2E_emc^2))$

Application to • astrophysics • radioactive pollution monitor • medical imaging



Monte Carlo Simulation(Geant4)

TPC : 30cm cubic , Xe 1.5 atm, 400um electrode spacing Scintillation Camera : CsI(Tl) 2.5cm thickness, 5mm pixel, No DOI

- low energy threshold (>200keV)
- large field of view (~2str FWHM@1MeV)
- detection efficiency (1%@1MeV)
- angular resolution ($\Delta \phi = 5^{\circ}$, $\Delta \delta = 10^{\circ}$ FWHM@1MeV)



Prototype detector



TPC with microelectrode



Anger camera



No Veto Shield !

Micro Pixel Chamber



- 400µm spacing anodes & cathodes
- 100µm polyimide substrate
- 10cm × 10cm effective area
- Max gain ~ 15,000 (Ar:C₂H₆,1atm)
- Energy Res. 30%@5.9keV (Ar:C₂H₆,1atm)
- Stable operation ~1000h@gain 5000

A.Ochi et al, Nucl.Instr.Meth. A471(2001)264



- Fine position resolution
- Low risk of discharge
- PCB Technology
- Low cost large area, mass-pro.

2D X-ray images (Xe:C₂H₆, 1atm,2mm drift length)



K.Miuchi et al, 2002 IEEE Trans.Nucl.Sci.2002

Gaseous TPC with Micro Pixel Chamber

TPC: measure 3D Particle Tracks (originally developed for HEP)

8.0cm drift length field cage,0.4 kV/cm electric field 10cm × 10cm Micro Pixel Chamber

Micro-TPC



TPC Electronics

- 80ns Amplifier-Shaper-Discriminator IC (4ch/1chip)
- Position-Encoder with 5 FPGAs with 20MHz
- Flash ADC/16ch



Preamp-board



16cm Encoder-board



Proton track(~0.8GeV)

Electron track(⁹⁰Sr,Q ~2MeV)



· Depth information

← elapsed time from trigger of scintillation camera.
Start & End points of tracks ← from dE/dx.
TPC gas gain up → more precise track !

Scintillation Camera



classical Anger camera 4" × 4" × 1" Nal(TI) scintillator 5 × 5 Hamamatsu ¾" R1166 PMTs Photocathode cover 40% No DOI information







Red zone :TPC

Green zone :scintillation camera Scattered gamma-ray in Nal Electron track in TPC RI Source Reconstructed

Typical Reconstructed Event



Reconstructed Image

¹³⁷Cs 662keV RI source, e⁻ energy not used





Reconstruction is successful, using cut No ghost event We established a new gamma-ray imaging method !

Angular Resolution (1 σ) $\Delta \delta = 25^{\circ}$, $\Delta \phi = 15^{\circ}$ Need more TPC gas gain !



Future Works

Micro -TPC

Improvement of gas gain (required X 5)

Study of electrodes (electron collection efficiency $30\% \rightarrow 95\%$), X 3 Quality control for uniformity of structure X 2

Xe Gas 1.5 atm dE/dx X 4.5

Scintillation camera

Developing following types Large Area PIN Photodiode Array with Hamamatsu (10cm X 10cm,5mm pitch) H8500 Hamamatsu Flat Panel PMT



Summary

- Novel gamma-ray imaging detector with gaseous Micro-TPC & scintillation camera
- Tracking of full Compton scattering process
- Small prototype has been developed
 Micro-TPC : 10cm × 10cm × 8cm TPC with Micro Pixel Chamber
 Scintillation camera : 10cm × 10cm × 2.5cm NaI(TI) scintillator + 25PMTs
- Gamma-ray reconstruction was successful.
- More improvements are planned for good performance.