## Design of LAMPS-L

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# DayOne Design





### Neutron Wall in GANIL

### Using ToF to measure the energy of neutrons.

#### Neutron Wall (previous version of NEDA)



50 closely packed liquid scintillator detectors of three types: H1, H2, P. Liquid: BC501A (xylene), total volume 150 litre. Distance to target: 51 cm; detector thickness: 15 cm. Detector angles: from 0° to  $\simeq 60^{\circ}$ Neutron energy range: from  $\simeq 0.5$  MeV to  $\simeq 10$  MeV

Experiment at GANIL (2009) EXOGAM + DIAMANT + Neutron Wall <sup>36</sup>Ar (111 MeV) + <sup>58</sup>Ni  $\rightarrow$  <sup>92</sup>Pd + 2 n Cross section:  $\sigma$ (<sup>92</sup>Pd)  $\simeq$  1 $\mu$ b,  $\sigma$ (fusion)  $\simeq$  0.2 b,



### NEDA(Neutron Detector Array) in GANIL



### NEDA Efficiencies from different geometries



# Expected neutron energy and distribution (from simulation)



Fig. 2. Simulated energy distributions of neutrons in the laboratory system as obtained by evapOR and GEANT4 using the reaction  ${}^{58}Ni(220 \text{ MeV}) + {}^{56}Fe(10 \text{ mg/cm}^2)$ . The shown curves correspond to hits in the different groups of detector segments, with their central position angles indicated in the legend. The detector segments at  $\theta = 46.8^{\circ}$  and  $47.2^{\circ}$  are shown together as the  $\theta = 47.0^{\circ}$  curve. The total number of neutrons emitted in  $4\pi$  was  $10^{6}$  in this simulation. The scale on the *y*-axis shows the number of neutrons emitted in each angular group.

#### Neutron wall simulation



Neutron deficient nuclei up to the region of <sup>100</sup>Sn, fusion-evaporation reaction

Simulation result is similar to the energy distribution of neutron from <sup>252</sup>Cf source

Neutrons were isotropically emitted in  $4\pi$ 

NEDA simulation

### NEDA output (from Geant4 simulation)

BC537 : C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>, BC501A : C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>10</sub>



$$P_{1n\to 2n} = N_{d\ge 2}^{1n} / N_{d\ge 1}^{1n}$$

where  $N_{d\geq 2}^{1n}$  is the number of events in which 1 neutron was emitted and at least 2 detector fired. In the following discussion  $P_{1n\to 2n}$  is referred to as *cross-talk*.

### Efficiency and energy resolution

### Efficiency

Intrinsic neutron efficiency at  $E_n = 2$  MeV:  $\varepsilon_{1n,i} \simeq 80\%$ 

Total Neutron Wall efficiency for symmetric fusion evaporation reactions:

- One-neutron efficiency:  $\varepsilon_{1n} = 20-25\%$
- Two-neutron efficiency:  $\varepsilon_{2n} = 1-3\%$

### Energy resolution (Time-of-Flight)





- Distance source to detector front face: 51 cm
- Thickness of detectors: 14.8 cm
- Time resolution of detectors: FWHM = 1.5 ns

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# possible designs



# Back up

### Neutron scattering

Probability of 1 neutron giving a signal in 2 or more detectors  $\simeq 10\%$ .

Serious problem in searches for weakly populated  $\geq 2n$  reaction channels: scattered neutrons from much stronger 1n channels are mis-identified as being due to 2n, 3n, ... channels.



Methods to detect scattered neutrons:

- Neighbor rejection.
- ΔToF. J.Cederkäll et al. NIM A385 (1997) 166.

Small amounts of  $\gamma$  rays mis-identified as neutrons reduces dramatically the quality of the neutron scattering reduction

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