

SupraThermal Electrons and Protons (STEP) on Solar Orbiter

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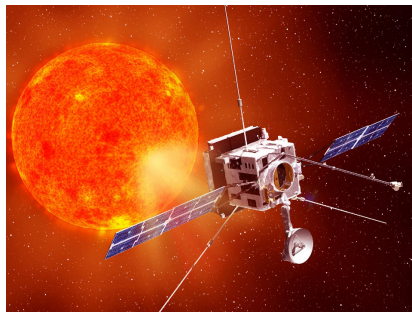
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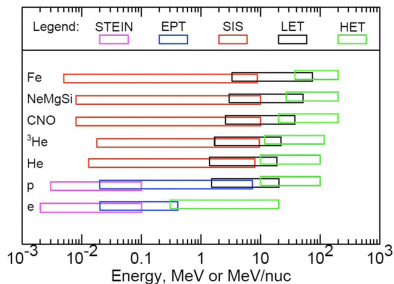
Solar Orbiter (Launch Jan. 2017?)

- ESA mission to study the Sun and corona, with payload of remote sensing and in-situ instruments
- Perihelion at up to 0.28 AU
- Phases of co-rotation allow observation of fixed points on the Sun's surface
- Increasing inclination at later stages to observe solar pole regions

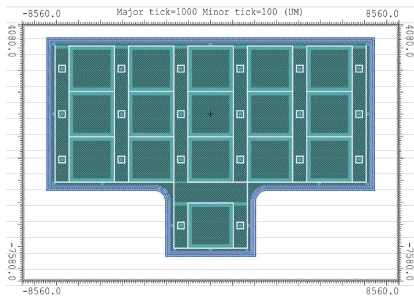


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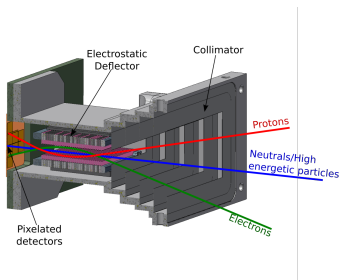


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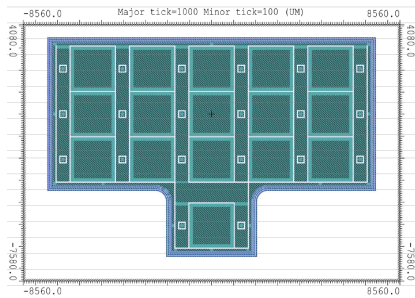
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- 32 SSD pixels per telescope head \Rightarrow pitch-angle resolution
- Electrostatic deflection allows separation by particle charge

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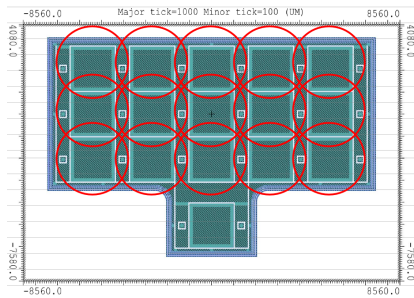
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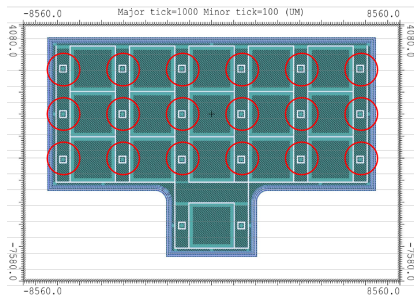
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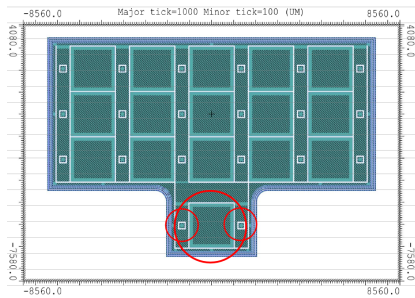
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- "shadow" pixels measure
electron/gamma background



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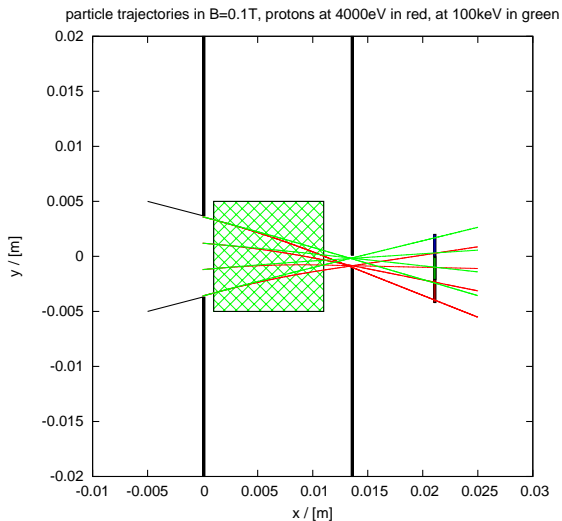
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Problems with HVPS lead us to redesign particle separation:

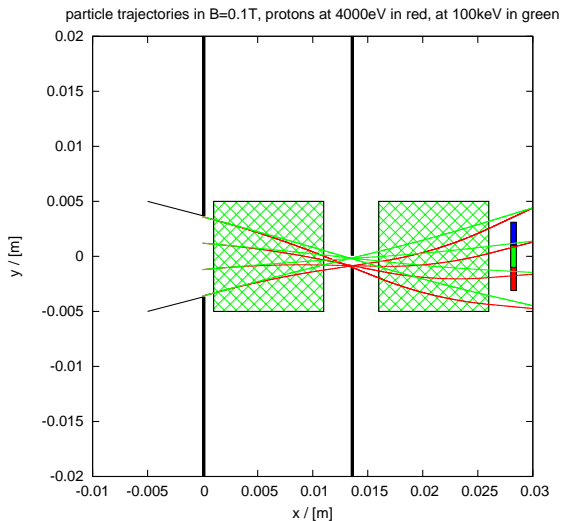
- Idea from (S)EPT: Use permanent magnets to get rid of electrons
- Separation of protons and neutral atoms no longer possible: STEIN \Rightarrow STEP
- Previously antiparallel FoVs are coaligned, one head measures protons and ions, the other electrons, protons and ions

This approach is only possible since STEIN moved from the boom to the S/C body, thus facing the same EMC requirements as EPD/HET or LET

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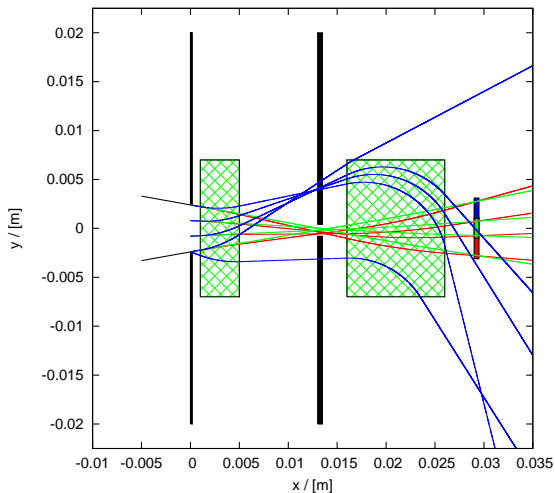


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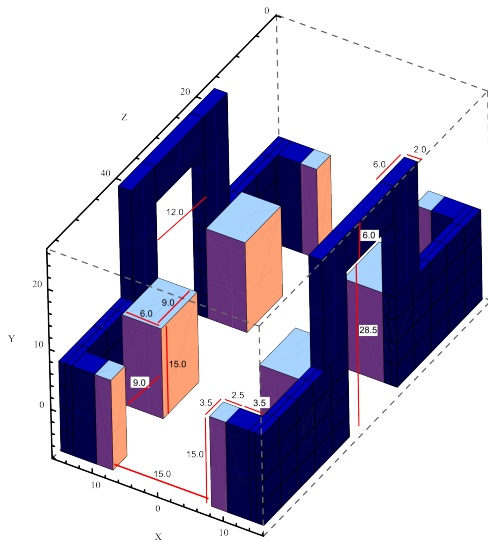


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particle trajectories in $B=0.1\text{T}$, protons at 4000eV in red, at 100keV in green, electrons at 100keV in blue

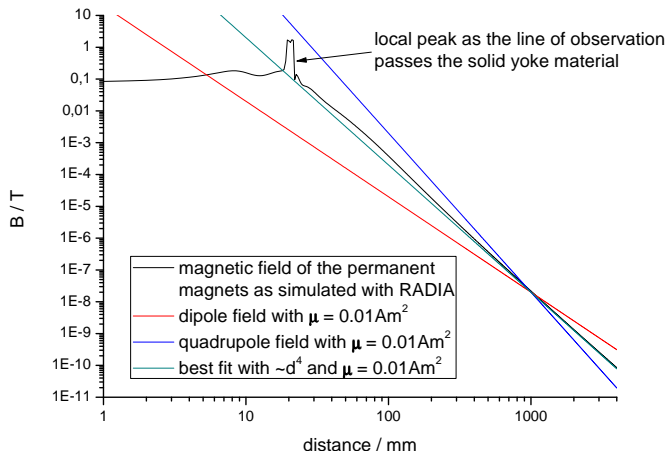


Magnet system design

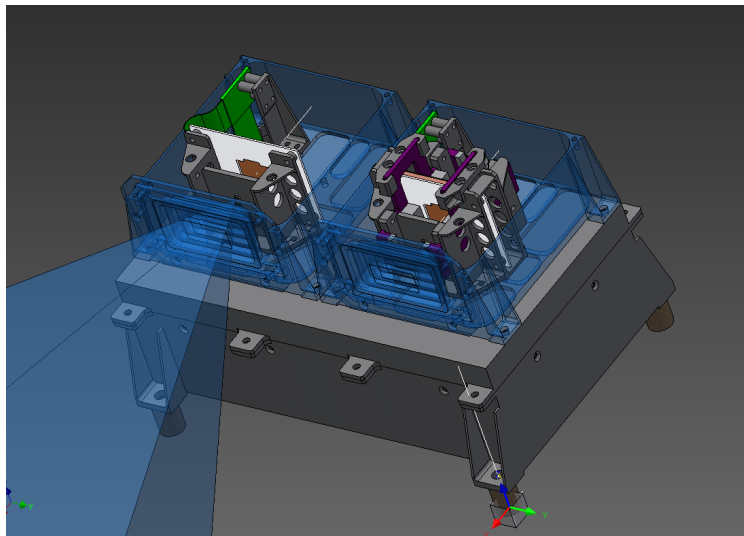


Magnet system far field

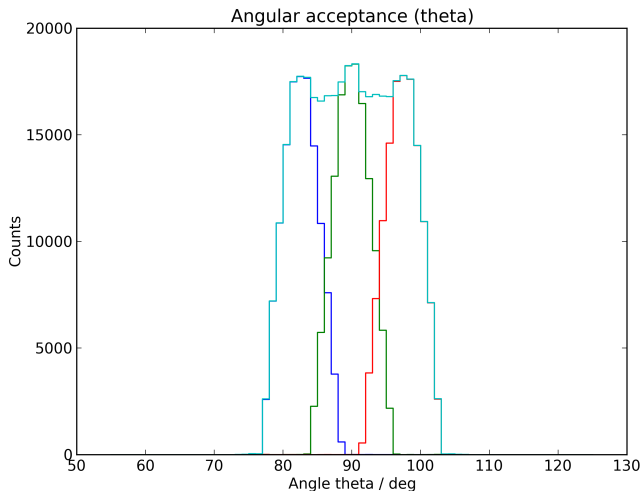
Magnetic field of the STEP magnet system in the direction of smallest decrease



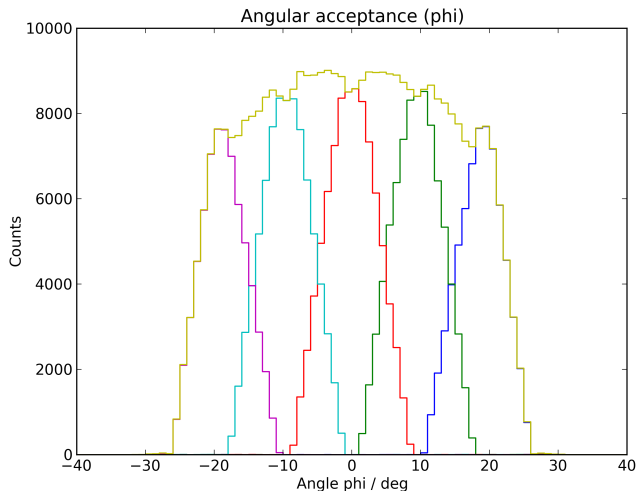
STEP model



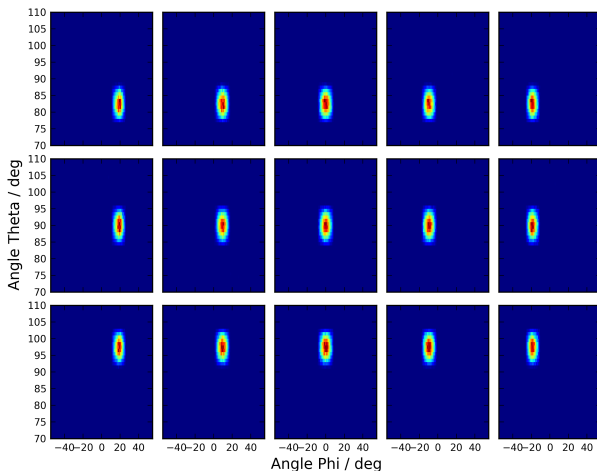
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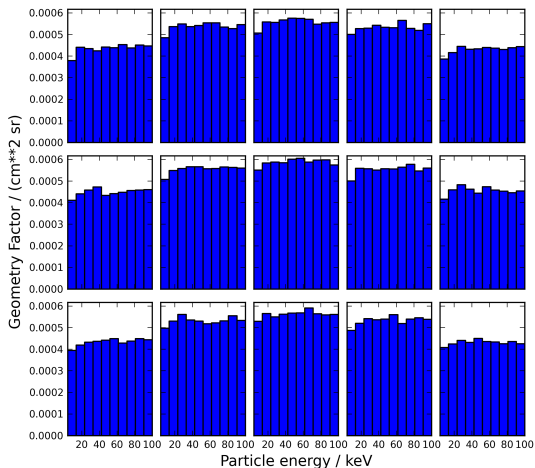
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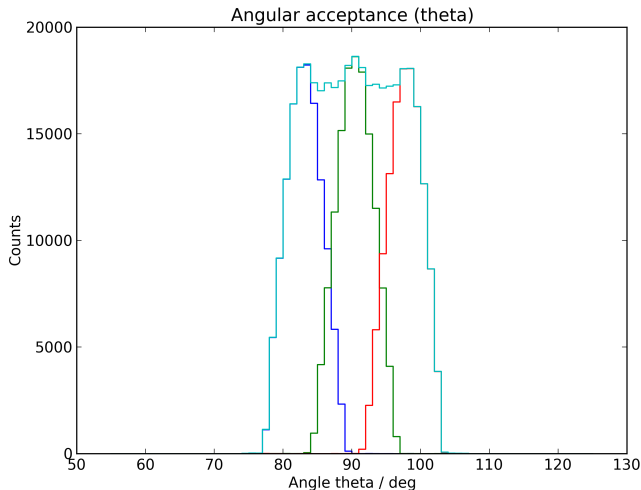
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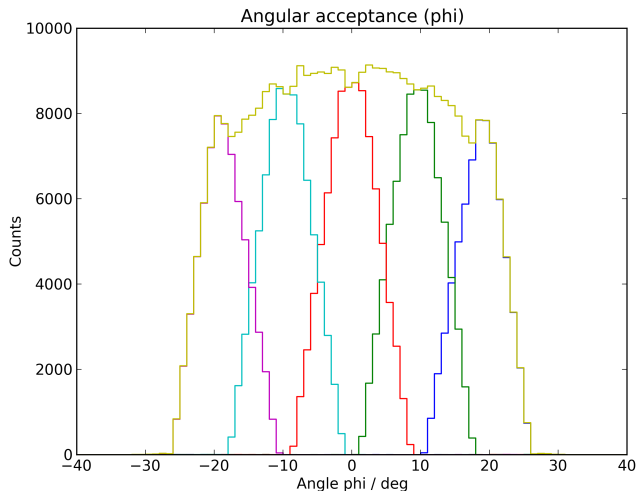
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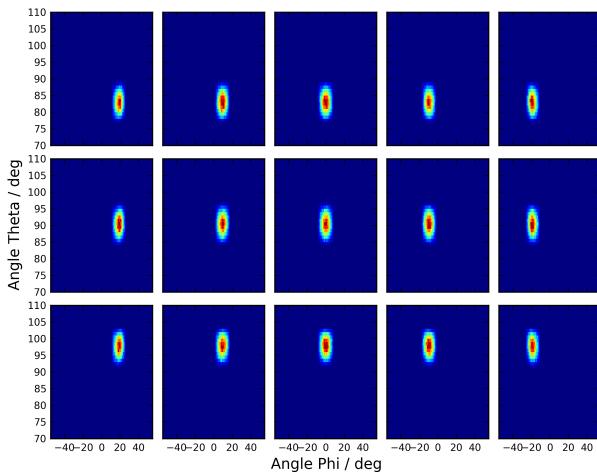
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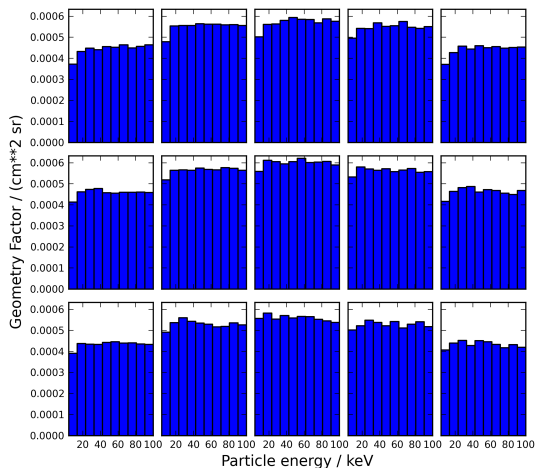
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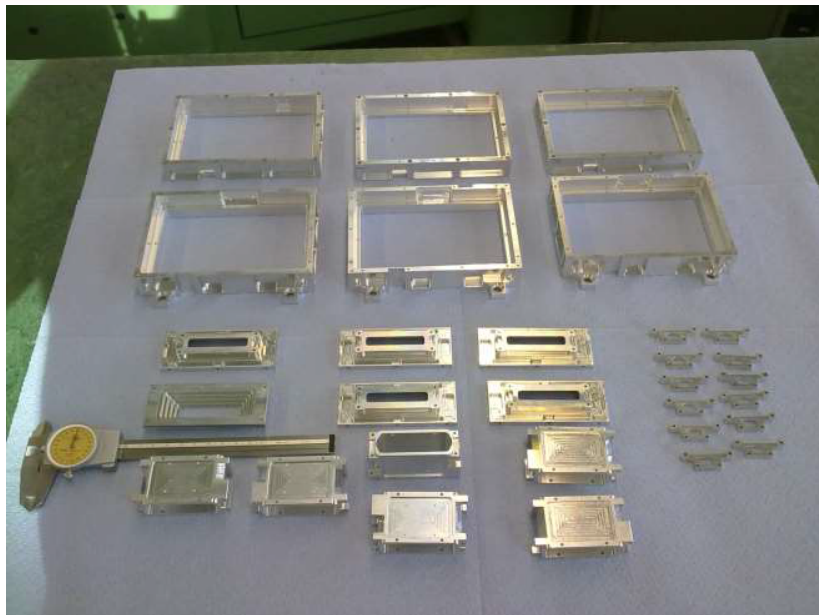
Magnet systems arrived at Kiel



STEP EM



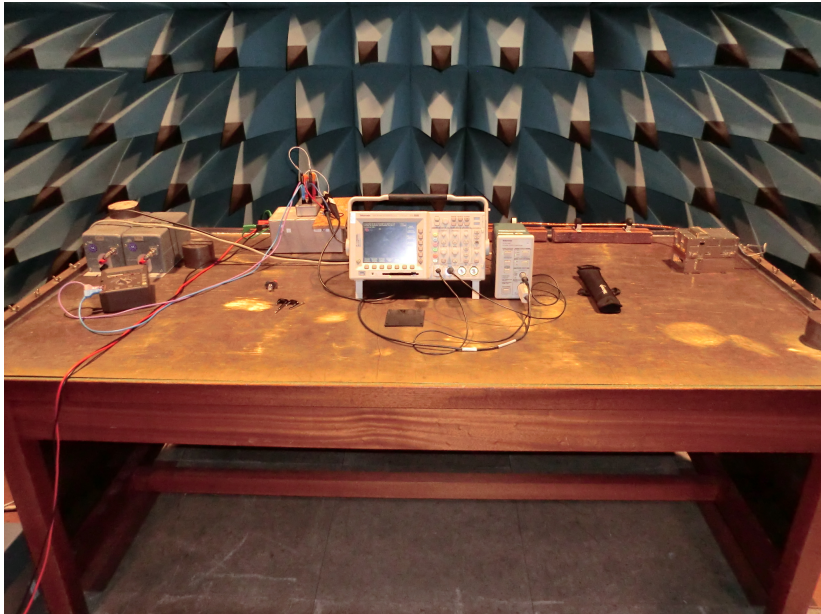
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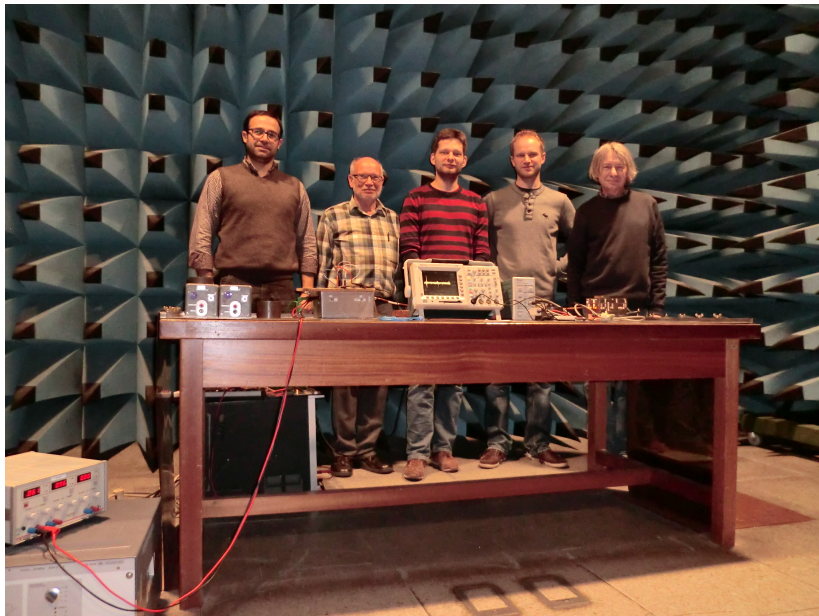
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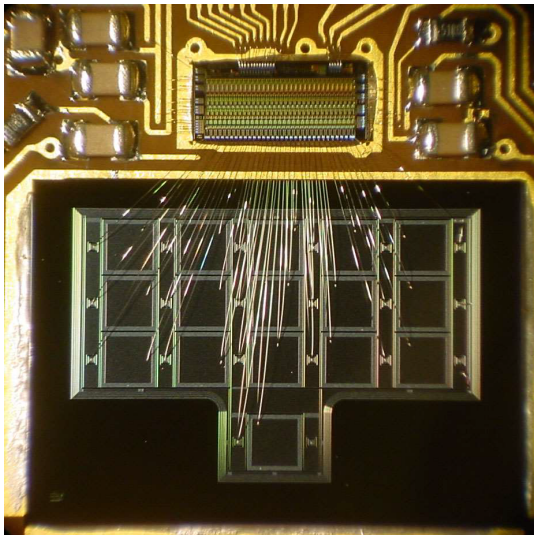
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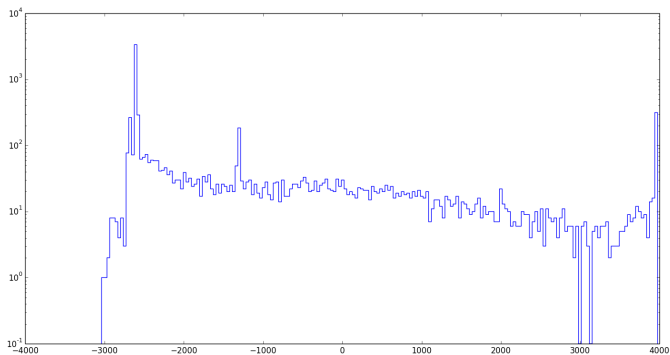
STEP EMC tests at TREO - Team



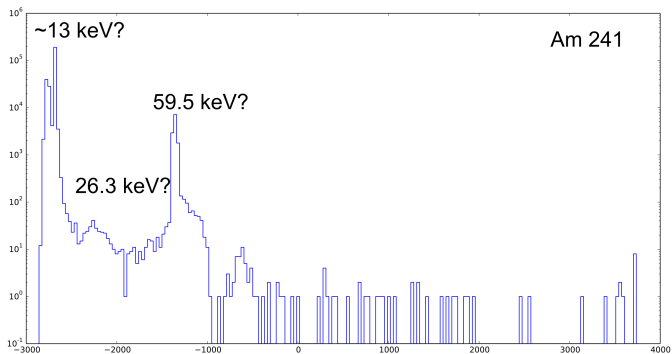
Detectors + IDE-Fx



First spectra - muons?



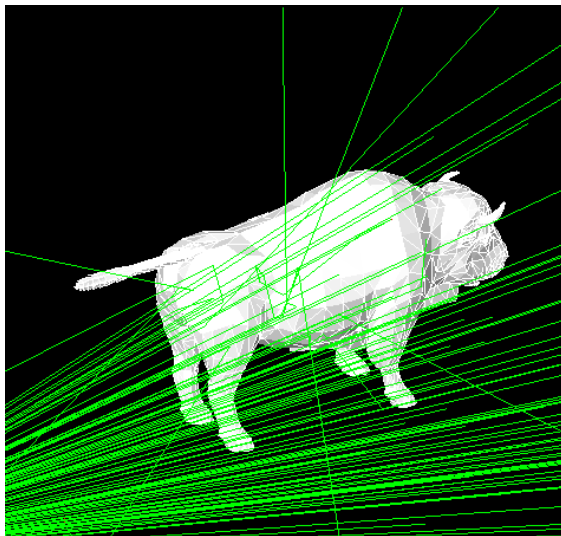
First spectra - Am241



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Installations on etph [edit]

You can find public [GEANT4](#) installations on etph:

- GEANT4 9.6.2: /data/etph/terasa/geant4/geant4.9.6.2
- GEANT4 9.6.2 for gcc 4.4: /data/etph/terasa/geant4/geant4.9.6.2-gcc4.4
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Static build flags: `cmake .. -DBUILD_SHARED_LIBS=OFF -DBUILD_STATIC_LIBS=ON -DCMAKE_INSTALL_PREFIX=/data`



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