Midas Ba-136 data analysis

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ps: Time spectra & preliminary time window





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Example of different data sets for Ge_1 (all Ba data)



Investigation: Any special features in rejected events? Such as from muons that trigger C0 or pile up events?



- Prompt
- Prompt rejected (due to coincidence or pile up cut)
- o Or delayed vs delayed rejected

No special feature (like peaks that have higher intensity in the rejected data) is observed at a first look...



The shape of the pile up energy spectra vary for the different detectors, the time shape does not vary though



 Δt_{Ge-Ge} per channel: non-flagged (—), pile-up (---)



The "intensity" of pile-up changes for different Ge channels (as expected). The time distribution of pile-up events don't seem to be different.

Data Selection & Quality plots: C# & Ge Counts & Rates (Hz)

1390 runs from Ba-136 (run batch 1 & 2, Dubna tree): 441 files from Ba_136_1_list and 949 from Ba_136_2

Expected:

Beam flux ∞ C# hits ∞ correlated Ge hits (all proportional, ∞) uncorrelated Ge hits (constant, independent of the beam)



Data classification:

0) stable: beam has constant flux/current, C# hits, ge hits, uncorr events are ~ constant and ∝.
1) unstable beam: beam has dropped under average flux/current value, all C# hits and ge hits count rates drop accordingly, uncorrelated events may also drop a bit as there is some leakage of corr events into the uncorrelated window

2) prompt/delayed ratio unstable: if the rate of prompt events decrease (or increase) the one of delayed events should follow the same pattern. (unless the time distribution of Ge hits changed somehow?)
3) uncorr events unstable: larger rate of uncorr event. (maybe due to electronic noise from LN2 fill? calibration mixed data?)

Data Quality plots: Batch 1 of data (Ba_136_1) Runs 40873-42523 (441 runs)





















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Data Quality plots: Batch 2 of data (Ba_136_2) Runs 45714-46671 (949 runs)

















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-3

























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A close look at event type (2+3): unstable uncorr & prompt increase (run 41025 vs 41029)



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Data Cleaning Summary

98% of the Ba-136 (selected) data is **stable**, especially during the second batch. The only significant unexpected event is (3): There are ~ 20 runs in this category (for which uncorr rate >4 σ above mean). This means ~ 1.4% of the selected data. There are also ~ 10 "unstable beam" runs (rate diff >3 σ , ~0.7% of the data).

Data classification:

Accepted (98%):

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Rejected (2%)

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Excluded runs:

40930, 40968, 40969, 41022, 41023, 41027, 41028, 41029, 41030, 41031, 41032, 41033, 41034, 41035, 41036, 41062, 41095, 41367, 41480, 42017, 45761, 45871, 46013, 46073, 46100, 46333, 46399, 46597, 46607.

Total remaining: 1361/1390 runs (98%)

Conclusions and next steps

- Distribution of events seem to make sense: ~27% of the ge hits survive all the cuts (most of them are prompt).
 Correlation, coincidence cuts, & (!ch2, !ch6) have the largest impacts in the cuts.
- Pile up events do not seem to have any special features. Flag "8" (energy=0) needs to be understood (*).
- Ba-136 data is "clean" and ready to be analyzed (*)
- Next steps:
 - find potential "excitation" peaks
 - check their time decay (per channel).
 - Use this information to optimize time cuts.



Ba-136 line identification and spectra analysis

Data for the spectra: Runs 5714-46671 (949 runs) + beam off data (MuX processed hosts)

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- Identify possible processes and decays following OMC in Ba-136
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Gammas emitted in b⁻ decay of z-1 to z isotope has the same energies of the gammas emitted in the de-excitation of the z isotope

He

Helium

Neon

Ar

Argor

Kr

Krypton

Xenon

Rn

Хе

C

Br

At

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Na

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Also the possibility of α emission?

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${}^{137}_{56}Ba \stackrel{+\mu}{ o} {}^{137}_{55}Cs^* ightarrow {}^{137}_{55}Cs + \gamma$
$^{137}_{56}Ba \stackrel{+\mu}{ o} \stackrel{137}{ imes} Cs^{**} \stackrel{-n}{ o} \stackrel{136}{ imes} Cs^{(*)}$
rfrom i)~0: Cs [*] -137 (suppressed) Cs-137 (stable)
r from ii) -n directly to Cs-136 or through de-exc.
Cs*-136 (searched line) Cs-136 (b⁻, 13d) ps: Ba-136 is st

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Also, muon life-time in Ba-136 is shorter?

FIG. 8. Distribution of the instrumental delay Δt between the μ -stop and registration of prompt μ X-rays of different energies measured with a big HPGe detector. Time resolution below 200 keV deteriorates due to slow charge collection near the surface edges of the Ge crystal.

Looking for "excitation" candidates: delayed vs prompt (Ge3)

Analyzing spectra: Energy region 1 (50-210 KeV)

Prompt and delayed are very similar, especially because the time resolution of the detector is lower at low energies, so many prompt events leak into "delayed" and vice-versa. Many μ X-rays from the K-shell of other materials (Carbon, Oxigen) are visible (C-K, O-K), as well as μ X-rays from the N-shell of Ba (N). Cs*-135 lines (see table) overlap with other (O-K, N) x-rays. Cs-136 lines have low BR and are not visible.

E(level)	XREF	$J^{\pi}(level)$	T _{1/2} (level)	Ε(γ)	Gammas	from ¹³⁶ C	s (13.16 d 3)
(KeV) 0.0	ABCDE	7/2+	2 3×10+6 v 3	(Kev)	Eg (keV)	Ig (%)	Decay mode
			% β ⁻ = 100		66.881 17	4.79 20	b-
249.767 4	A DE	5/2+	0.28 ns 8	249.770 4	86.363 109.6817	5.18 20 0.21 3	b- b-
408.026 5	A D			158.260 4 408.009 8	153.246 4 163.920 2	5.75 <i>18</i> 3.39 <i>12</i>	b- b-
608.153 <i>8</i>	A D	5/2+		200.19 10 358.384 9	166.576 <i>6</i> 176.602 <i>4</i>	0.37 4 10.0 4	b- b-
				608.151 12	187.285 6	0.36 4	b-

Analyzing spectra: Energy region 2 (210-370 KeV)

	(keV)	J.(TEAST)	(keV)	1(4)
1	3520 5	1+		
	3562.5 7	(13+)	635.0 5 1318.5 5	50 25 100 40
	3684.0 7	(14+)	121.4 5 710.4 3	17 4 100 30
1	3929.1 8	(15+)	245.1 3	100
	4086.7 7	(15-)	599.8 5 706.5 5 1113.2 5	100 30 11 6 56 22
	4359.2 9	(16-)	979.1 5	100
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	N.		
J"(level)	T _{1/2} (level)	Ε(γ)	Ι(γ)
Sequence	based on (12	-). Configura	tion=πg _{7/2}
(12-)			
(13-)		330.2 3 1013.7 5	100 25 100 40
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Here, the μ X-ray N line is less strong in the delayed spectrum (some remaining of it might be due to the ¹³⁶Cs* ($\gamma_{309.4keV}$)). The ¹³⁵Cs* (γ_{249keV}) line is clear in the prompt and delayed spectra (the 358keV one is visible but less clear, it has lower BR) . ¹³⁶Cs (γ_{273keV} , γ_{340keV}) are visible, especially the latter with a higher BR and in the beam-off spectrum

E(level)	J ^π (level)	E(V)	I(v)	Gammas	Gammas from ¹³⁶ Cs (13.16 d 3)			
(keV)		(keV)		Eq (keV)	Iq (%) Dec	ay mode		
0.0	7/2+			000 E 4	0.000.10	- 1		
249.767 4	5/2+	249.770 4	100	233.54	0.080 10	D'		
408.026 5		158.260 4	81 3 100 3	302.9 2	0.030 10	b b		
609 152 9	5/2+	200 10 10	0 40 16	315.5 5	0.020 18	b-		
000.155 0	5/24	358.384 9	7.6 3	319.911 8	0.50 5	b-		
		608.151 12	100 3	340 547 8	42.2.13	h-		

Potential ^{(#) 136}Cs* ($\gamma_{309.4}, \gamma_{330.2}$) lines: The 1015.9 and 1013.7 lines are observed as well.

Analyzing spectra: Energy region 3 (370 -530KeV)

Here, the μ X-ray M lines are quite clear. The ¹³⁵Cs* (γ_{408keV}) line is clear^(α), and overlaps with the ¹³⁶Cs* ($\gamma_{406.4}$) line. Unsure whether any accompanying lines of the latter are observed ($\gamma_{729.8}$, $\gamma_{261.6}$). There is some unknown line and the annihilation (e⁺e⁻) peak overlaps with other excitation lines ¹³⁶Cs*($\gamma_{513}\gamma_{518}$). The 229 accompaigning the former is not observed.

	É(level) (keV)	J ^π (level)	T _{1/2} (level)	Ε(γ)	Ι(γ)	E(level) (keV)	XREF	$J^{\pi}(level)$	T _{1/2} (level)	E(γ) (keV)	Ι(γ)
	Band 2 -	Sequence	based on (12	-). Configur	ation=πg _{7/2} ³	0.0	A	5+	13.01 d 5		
	2927.6 7	(12-)				104 0 2			% b. = 100	104.0	100
	3257.8 7	(13-)		330.2 3	100 25	104.0 3	^	47		104.0	100
				1013.7 5	100 40	517.9 1	A D	8-	17.5 S 2	413.1 3	0.07
	3486.8 7	(14-)		229.0 4	100 25				% β ⁻ = ?	011.01	100
1					200 00						

^(α)its 158keV accompanying line was also clear, though it overlapped with O-K, and a line at at another Energy level, with lower BR is also observed γ_{373keV})

Analyzing spectra: Energy region 4 (530-690 KeV)

100 200 300

700 (75)

E(level) (keV)	XREF	J ^π (level)	E(γ) (keV)	I(Y)	Final Levels
3520 5	В	1+			
3562.5 7	D	(13+)	635.0 5 1318.5 5	50 25 100 40	2927.6 (12-) 2243.9 (12-)

Here, more μ X-ray M lines are visible. One of them overlaps with the ¹³⁶Cs* (V_{635}) line (it is unsure whether the 1318 accompanying line is observed). Again $^{135}Cs^*$ (Y_{654} , Y_{608}) lines are clear (their high BR accompanying lines are also observed) as well as a bit of ${}^{135}Cs^*$ (γ_{732}). Other ¹³⁶Cs* lines are not clearly observed to the overlap with other lines. ¹³²I (γ_{668}) is observed in the uncorr and beam off spectra (its accomp. Line at 772.6 is less clearly but also observed).

•	******						Gamma	s from ¹³² I (2	.295 h 13)
	E(level) (keV)	XREF	J ^π (level)	E <mark>(γ)</mark> (keV)	Ι(γ)		Eg (keV)	Ig (%)	Decay mode
	0.0	ABCDE	7/2+	********			630.192	13.3 4	b⁻
	249.767 4	A DE	5/2+	249.770 4	100		642.24 650.5.2	< 0.039	b ⁻
	408.026 5	A D		158.260 4 408.009 8	81 3 100 3	····>	667.718 3	99	b-
•	608.153 8	A D	5/2+	200.19 10 358.384 9 608.151 12	0.40 16 7.6 3 100 3		669.8 <i>2</i> 671.4 <i>2</i> 684.4 <i>2</i>	4.6 6 3.5 10 0.08 4	b- b- b-
	786.838 13	BCD	11/2+	786.836 13	100		687.8 5	0.039 20) b-
	981.396 19	Ă D	·	373.13 10 573.36 4 731.634 21	28 5 8.7 13 100 5		706.4 7 727.0 3 727.2 3	~0.020 2.2 6 3.2 6	b- b- b-
	1062.385 13	A D	· · ·	454.2 2 654.296 23 812.635 22 1062.41 2	5.1 10 64 3 100 3 5.8 12		728.4 2 771.7 772.60 1	1.6 4 0.020 20 75.6 13	b ⁻) b ⁻ b ⁻

Analyzing spectra: Energy region 5 (690-900 KeV)

Gammas from LoomCs (53 m 2)							
Eg (keV) Ig (%) Decay mod							
786.836 13	100	IT					
846.1	95.9	IT					

Here again, no clear excitation lines from ¹³⁶Cs* as all of them overlap with other lines (or with the neutron production in Ge).... Again we see a few lines from ¹³⁵Cs* and now also ¹³⁵Cs^m

E(level) (keV)	$J^{\pi}(level)$	T _{1/2} (level)	Ε(γ)	Ι(γ)	M(y)	Final Le	vels
Band 1 -	Sequence	based on (11	-). Configur	ation=πd _{5/2}	~#πg _{7/}	2 ⁴ ~#vh _{11/2} -	1
1982.3 6	(11-)						
2243.9 6	(12-)		261.6 2	100		1982.3	(11-)
2973.7 7	(13-)		729.8 3	100		2243.9	(12-)

Analyzing sectra: Energy region 6 (900-1100 KeV)

(KeV)					
Band 2 -	Sequence	based on	(12-).	Configura	ation=πg _{7/2} ³
2927.6 7	(12-)				
3257.8 7	(13-)		:	330.2 <i>3</i> 1013.7 5	100 25 100 40

¹³⁶Cs* lines: The 1015.9 and 1013.7 lines overlap and their previous $\gamma_{309.4,}$ $\gamma_{330.2}$ lines: were observed. γ_{979} line is either slightly shifted or not present

E(level) (keV)	J ^π (level)	E(γ) (keV)	Ι(γ)
3520 5	1+		
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Analyzing spectra: Energy region 7 (1110-1320 KeV)

Analyzing spectra: Energy region 8 (1320-1530 KeV)

Analyzing spectra: Energy region 9 (1530-1740 KeV)

Analyzing spectra: Energy region 10 (1740-1950 KeV)

Analyzing spectra: Energy region 11 (2160-2370 KeV)

Analyzing spectra: Energy region 12 (2370-2580 KeV)

Analyzing spectra: Energy region 13 (2580-2790 KeV)

Analyzing spectra: Energy region 14 (2790-3000 KeV)

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In summary, very few lines are "well" identified for Ba-136 (at least for Ge 3, but will it get much better for other channels?)

E(level) (keV)	XREF	J ^π (level)	E(γ) (keV)	Ι(γ)	Final Le	vels
0.0	A	5+				
104.8 3	Α	4+	104.8	100	0.0	5+
517.9 1	A D	8-	413.1 3 517.9 1	0.072 100	104.8 0.0	4+ 5+
583.9 5	D	9-	66.0 5	100	517.9	8-
590 5	В	1+				
850 5	В	1+				
1000 5	В	(2-)				
1910 5	В	1+				
1982.3 6	D	(11-)	1398.4 3	100	583.9	9-
2010 5	В	1+				
2243.9 6	D	(12-)	261.6 2	100	1982.3	(11-)
2290 5	В	1+				
2360 5	В	1+				
2450 5	В	1+				
2500 5	В	1+				
2550 5	В	1+				
2600 5	В	1+				
2710 5	В	1+				
2810 5	В	1+				
2910 5	В	1+				
2927.6 7	D	(12-)	945.3 4	100	1982.3	(11-)
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3257.8 7	D	(13-)	330.2 3 1013.7 5	100 25 100 40	2927.6 2243.9	(12-) (12-)
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The excited state is commonly present after neutron emission, and given that *-n* is much more frequent, we get much more y's from ¹³⁵Cs* than from ¹³⁶Cs* . I guess this is usually the case (?) like the marked lines in the ⁷⁶Se-spectrum (which are from ⁷⁵As*, not from ⁷⁶As*.) Q: how did the ⁷⁶As* lines look like in the spectrum?

E(level) (keV)	XREF	J ^π (level)	E(y) (keV)	Ι(γ)	Final Levels
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3562.5 7	D	(13+)	635.0 5 1318.5 5	50 25 100 40	2927.6 (12-) 2243.9 (12-)
3684.0 7	D	(14+)	121.4 5 710.4 3	17 4 100 30	3562.5 (13+) 2973.7 (13-)
3929.1 8	D	(15+)	245.1 3	100	3684.0 (14+)
4086.7 7	D	(15-)	599.8 5 706.5 5 1113.2 5	100 <i>30</i> 11 6 56 <i>22</i>	3486.8 (14-) 3380.1 (14-) 2973.7 (13-)
4359.2 9	D	(16-)	979.1 5	100	3380.1 (14-)
4396.1 8	D	(16-)	309.4 4 1015.9 5	100 50 50 25	4086.7 (15-) 3380.1 (14-)
4645.8 9	D		716.7 4	100	3929.1 (15+)
13380	В	0+			



FIG. 5. (E,t) distribution of the correlated events measured with the $^{76}\mathrm{Se}$ target.

Back up

A few questions.....

Regarding OMC4DBD

- How did the ⁷⁶As* lines look like in the spectrum? How was their significance defined?
- Were OMC rates ever implemented in QRPA models? By how much did they improve (or what would be the
 precision required for the OMC partial rate such that this information could improve these models?) Are limits also
 useful? -> Answer from J.Suhonen in the CM: First, one needs to do the calculation for the OMC the input values
 here can largely vary (by a factor a few hundred percent) and still yield relevant input for the QRPA models.
- Does the excitation level matter in the calculation? or calculating rates to any levels helps? Answer: The
 probability of reaching different excitation levels vary, and their ratios are often found in the literature (yet, I guess
 this is one of the parameters we want to find?)

General:

- Do neutron emissions delay signal? Or are they prompt
- Given the better resolution of a few Ge channels, are our results useful to updating *µ*X databases?
- Are muon lifetimes known for all isotopes or do our results contribute to these values?

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